

FIT-R2lab

An open testbed for reproducible wireless networking research





Outline

- 1. Scientific context
- 2. Reproducible Research Lab
- 3. Collaborations and future directions





Networking Protocols Evaluation



Reproducible Research Lab

- Hardware
- Software
- Main features
- Positioning



Faraday Cage





RF absorbers



WiFi Commercial hardware













Software Defined Radio













Software

- Open Air Interface for 5G scenarios
- GnuRadio for SDR experiments
- Efficient Experiment controller
- DCE/ns-3 emulator



Main Features

- Federated with OneLab platform
- Reservation of the whole testbed
- Full remote control of nodes
- Deploy scenarios & collect results





R2lab Positioning

- Commodity hardware
- Remote access and deployment tools
- Reproducible end-to-end scenarios
- E.g. 5G VRAN with OAI support

Three anechoic chambers?

- Important instrument, different usages
- CorteXlab: Cognitive Radio and physical layer of wireless communications
- LEAT: high precision antenna propagation



Joint Position and Orientation Estimation

- Hot topic, several applications
 - Smart Home, Geo-fencing, VR, Indoor navigation, personal drones, etc.
- On commodity Wi-Fi infrastructure
 - Accuracy requires calibration
- R2lab provides controlled conditions to calibrate



Phase Correction in a controlled environment

- Phase shifts used to estimate directions
- Random RF oscillator, phase offset.
- Correction using a Polaris node





LOS Scenario

- LOS Scenario estimation:
 - Angle of arrival: -47°
 - Angles of departure: 42°
- Estimation with 2D-MUSIC



DoD



Collaborations and future directions

- PhD on Cross Layer Optimizations in MIMO (LEAT) – Labex UCN
- Post-doc on 5G Network splitting and VF placement (Eurecom) – Labex UCN
- Validation of Mininet WiFi (U. Campinas)



Collaborations and future directions

- SDN based routing in WiFi-mesh networks (U Queensland)
- Scalable Multicast Service in Software Defined 5G networks (Associated team: UHD-on-5G with NICT)
- Fed4Fire+ : Testbed federation



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