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# Abstract

Rapidly growing in the demands of mobile users leads to an expansion in the need for alternative innovations. So, wireless communications based on Visible Light (VL) have lately become popular to support Radio Frequency (RF) technology. This is because of its advantages such as its availability everywhere, high Bandwidth (BW) and security, privacy, free license, and does not interfere to RF communication. Visible Light Communication (VLC) depends on the VL spectrum for communication, which has wavelengths of 380 to 780nm. It utilizes Light Emitting Diode (LED) or Laser Diode (LD) as a Transmitter (Tx) and Photodetector (PD) or image sensor as a Receiver (Rx). VLC is used in different applications, one of the most important applications is indoor localization. One of the localization methods is a two-step positioning method in which the localization process is performed in two steps: 1) Estimating distances between multiple reference points and a target. 2) Determining the target position from these estimated distances. The required distance can be obtained based on several methods like Received Signal Strength Indication (RSSI), Time of Arrival (TOA), Time Difference of Arrival (TDOA), and Angle of Arrival (AOA) method. Also, several techniques are used to get the target position, including proximity detection, geometric, and fingerprinting method.

In this thesis, an RSSI/TDOA hybrid VLC indoor localization system in a room with dimensions  $5 \times 5 \times 3 \text{ m}^3$  is proposed. Although RSSI localization algorithm is simple, but its performance is poor at areas with low lighting intensity. Using this technique, the localization Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) value will be 15.66 cm at a noisy environment with total noise variance mean of  $2.5109 \times 10^{-12} \text{ W}$ . This error can be decreased by controlling some Tx and Rx parameters such as the Tx semi-radiation angle, Rx noise BW, and estimation approach used. Another localization algorithm, TDOA, which does not use the received light intensity information, can be used to estimate the target position. Some parameters that can also enhance this approach performance such as distribution of lights and the used estimation approach are also considered in this work. Based on TDOA algorithm the localization RMSE value will be decreased to 7.21cm but at the expense of cost and time. Therefore, the proposed system solved this problem by combining the two techniques and estimating the target position based on RSSI only at places with acceptable received electrical power (between  $6.53 \times 10^{-9}$ :  $9.91 \times 10^{-9} \text{ W}$  or equal to  $1.04 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}$ ) while TDOA will be used at the other positions. Thus, the VLC indoor localization system RMSE will be decreased at the whole received area from 15.66cm (using RSSI technique only when the total noise variance mean is  $2.5109 \times 10^{-12} \text{ W}$ ) to 6.68cm using this hybrid system.

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