

# Security by Mobility

# Location & Track Verification



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## Improving security with mobility

- Existing location verification schemes require specialized protocols, tight time synchronization, special-purpose hardware, or limited attacker knowledge 🙁
- We demonstrated: Mobility can be exploited to get rid of these requirements! [S&P15]
- How it works: Changes in distance between prover and verifier results in measurable distortion of transmission rate (mobility-differentiated ToA)
- **Security:** A single stationary attacker cannot adjust transmission times for multiple verifiers at the same time ©
- Data Source: Real-world data for researchers from the *OpenSky Network* [OSKY]

# Mobility-differentiated ToA $\frac{d}{d+\Delta_2} = \frac{d}{d+\Delta_3} =$

# Open research problems

### Mobility on the dark side:

Positioning requirements for mobile attackers?

# Mobility on the light side:

Using mobile verifiers to improve track and location verification?

### Mixing the old and the new:

Improvements by e.g. using loose time synchronization or clock drifts as a secret?

### **Collaborative schemes:**

How could trusted nodes (e.g. other airplanes) help improving the verification?

# More security by mobility?

- Secure track verification considers the time domain! But what about effects of mobility in the space and frequency domain?
- Space domain: Anomaly detection in air traffic movement patterns using graph bundling algorithms with data from OpenSky
- Frequency domain: Location, track, and velocity verification using the Doppler shift of acoustic or RF waves

### References

[S&P15] Schäfer, Lenders, Schmitt: **Secure Track Verification**, *IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy*, May 2015

[OSKY] http://opensky-network.org