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Decentralized Location Privacy and Location Proximity Testing



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With the surge of popularity of location tracking devices such as mobile devices there is a corresponding increasing number of applications taking advantage of Location Based Services, and integration of individual's location into popular apps. Recently, researchers have pointed out shortcomings in the implementation of such applications leading to serious location privacy leaks. A natural challenge arises in this situation: can users and third parties benefit from the ubiquity of location tracking devices while at the same time providing privacy guarantees? In this talk we present some of the technical challenges that need to be addressed in this domain and we discuss a line of research based on multi-party computation to provide strong mathematical guarantees for location proximity testing. We also review some open challenges and avenues for future work.