

All that **GLITTERs**: Low-Power Spoof-Resilient Light Anchors for Augmented Reality

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Motivating Scenario: IoT Configuration Management via AR



AR needs "Tags" To Bridge Virtual and Physical Worlds



AR Anchors/tags

Requirements Of These Tags



Compatible with existing devices



Dynamic Environment and Lighting



Long Range



Demonstrative Identification



Limitations of existing work (eg. AprilTags, QR Codes)





Limited range



Our Work : GLITTER

A practical AR tag framework that can accurately link AR content in less than 400*ms*, using a single LED from hundreds of tags simultaneously on a standard mobile phone

- Robust to changes in dynamic environments and lighting
- Can provide demonstrative identification
- Has a long range of 30 meters with a single 5mm LED



Key Ideas

- Active Visual Markers
- Space vs Time Trade Off
- Hybrid BLE + Visual Anchoring

Idea 1 : Active Visual Markers for Demonstrative Identification

Any static marker is vulnerable to spoofing





To make tags support Demonstrative Identification they need to at least be active instead of passive



Idea 2: Temporal Encoding Instead Of Spatial For Long Range

Commodity AR devices have a limited resolution that bounds the detection range of visual markers



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Temporal encoding can achieve longer range and better dynamic lighting performance

Idea 3 : Hybrid BLE + Visual Anchoring To Handle Noisy Visual Channel

Impractical to use a device's camera as a traditional communication channel for Demonstrative Identification

noisy visual channel

Iimitations imposed by commodity phones



Practical Low Power Hybrid BLE + visual based communication protocol

GLITTER System Overview



GLITTER is portable across platforms





GLITTER works at Long Range





GLITTER Can Render 3D Content From a Single Point Source



Hit Testing





GLITTER Can Be Used For Device Localization By Multiple Anchors





Conclusion



- > AR needs "Tags" to bridge virtual and physical worlds
- Existing approaches such as AprilTags fail to meet the requirements
- GLITTER: A robust approach to identify many spoof-resilient active light anchors in an AR video from a mobile device

Challenges and Key Ideas

- 1. Active markers for Demonstrative Identification
- 2. Temporal encoding instead of Spatial for long range
- 3. Practical low power hybrid BLE + Visual protocol to handle noisy visual channel



https://github.com/conix-center/LightAnchorFramework