Infrastructure Mediated Sensing for Assistive Care Environments

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what can we learn about human activity through the use of electrical appliances / water fixtures in the home?

distributed direct sensing 10 other parts of the house refrigerator microwave coffee maker stove

convection oven

light switches



three design goals







low-cost easy-to-install device-level information

device-level information

sometimes called *disaggregated* or *disambiguated* data

information down to the *particular device, water fixture, gas fixture*







HYDRÖSENSE

Infrastructure-Mediated Single-Point Sensing of Whole-Home Water Activity

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hydrosense



- single-point pressurebased sensor of water usage
- identifies water usage activity down to its source(e.g., toilet)
- provides estimates of flow at each fixture

typical water meters

- only provide aggregate information on water usage

- require pipe modification for installation

traditional inline water meter

hydrosense: pressurebased sensor





closed pressure system





GasSense: Appliance-Level, Single-Point Sensing of Gas Activity in the Home

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gassense installs on outside of gas regulator



example data



end user applications



science applications

- ability to track activity levels over time

 are activity levels declining?
- where are most activities in the home taking place?
 - inform the design of the home
- automatic anomaly detection
 - has there been cooking/showering activity this morning?

Thank You!

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