



# Zero-Shot Multi-View Indoor Localization via Graph Location Networks

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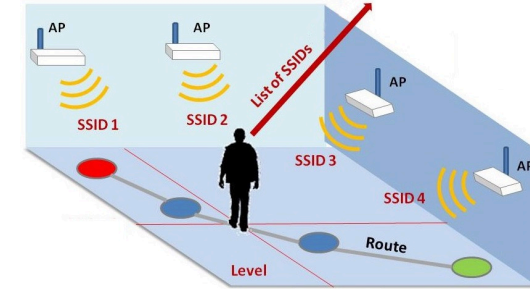
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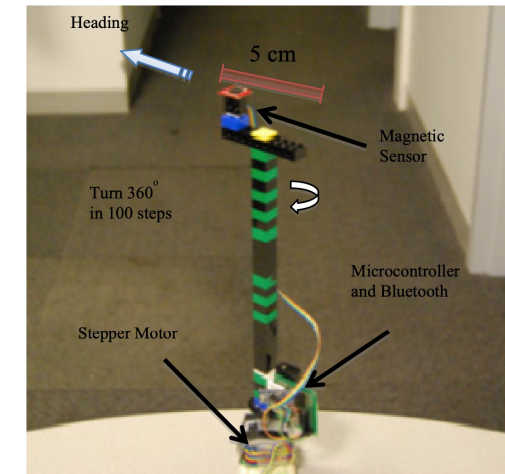
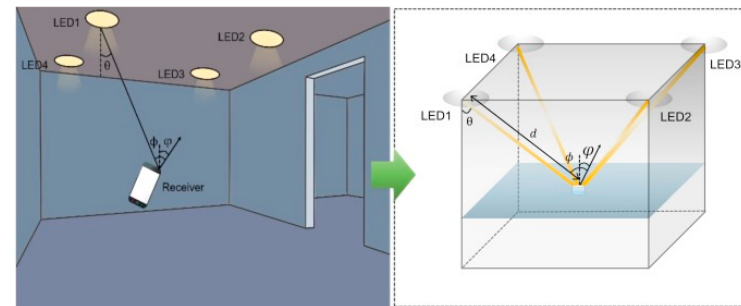
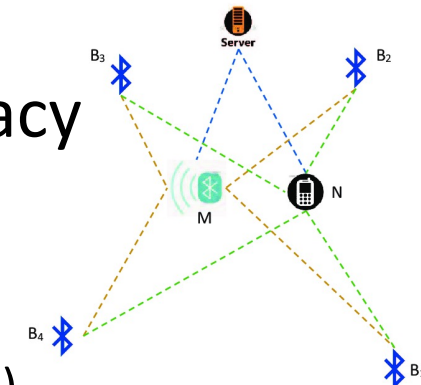


# Background & Motivation

# Localization



- Objective: Accurate positioning of user(s)
- Outdoor: Global Positioning System (GPS)<sup>1</sup>: 3-5 meters accuracy
- Indoor:
  - Signal based: WiFi<sup>2</sup>, Bluetooth<sup>3</sup>, magnetism<sup>4</sup>, optics<sup>5</sup>, etc.
    - Require additional infrastructures (WiFi access points/transmitters/receivers)
  - Image based (this work)
    - Require only minimal setup



<sup>1</sup> <https://www.gizmochina.com/2017/09/26/broadcoms-highly-accurate-gps-chip-arriving-smartphones-next-year/>

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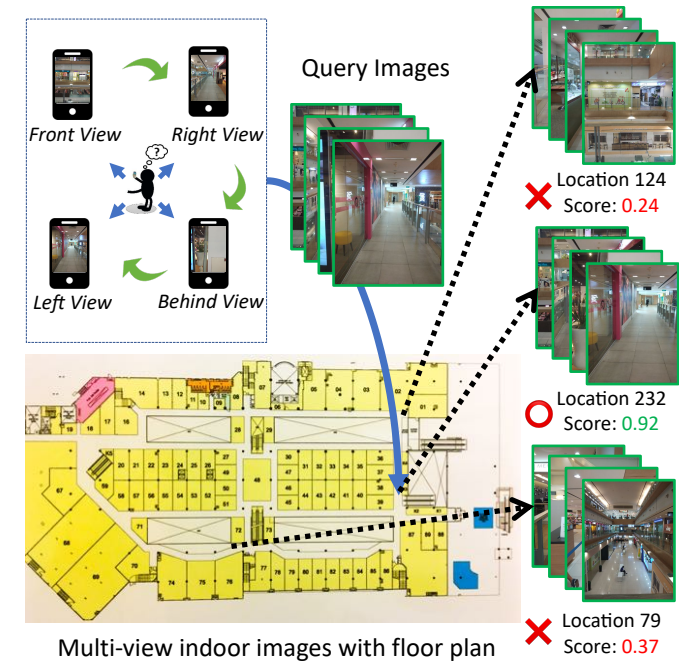




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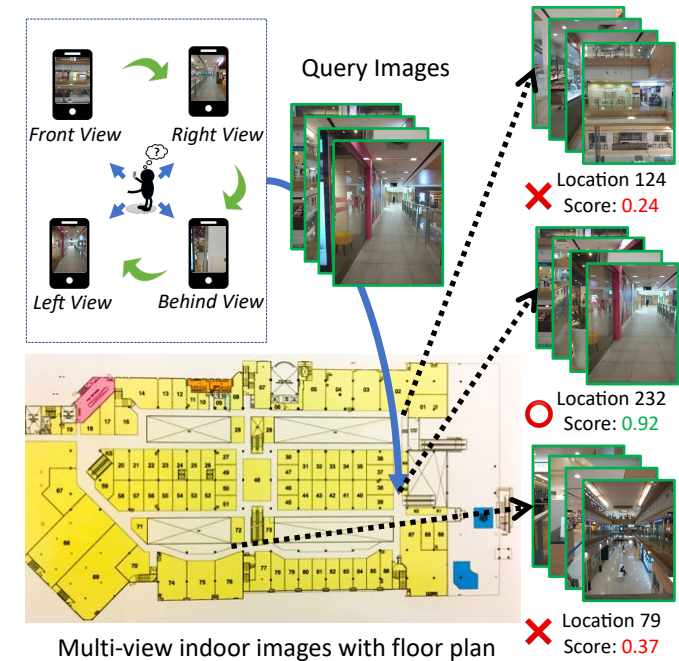
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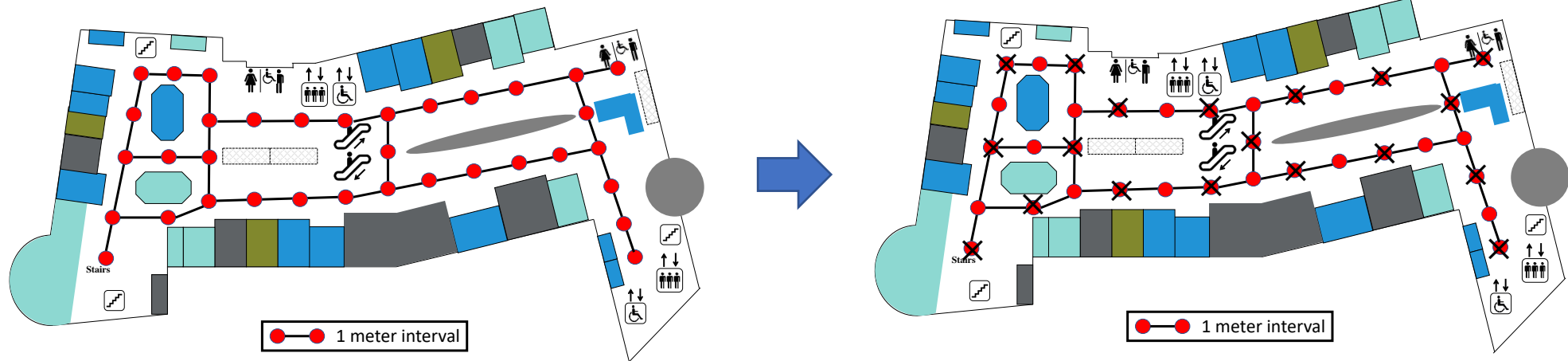
- Shouldn't we treat these views **differently**?
  - Each view features more/less information needed for location retrieval. We should treat them differently to get a holistic representation of a location.

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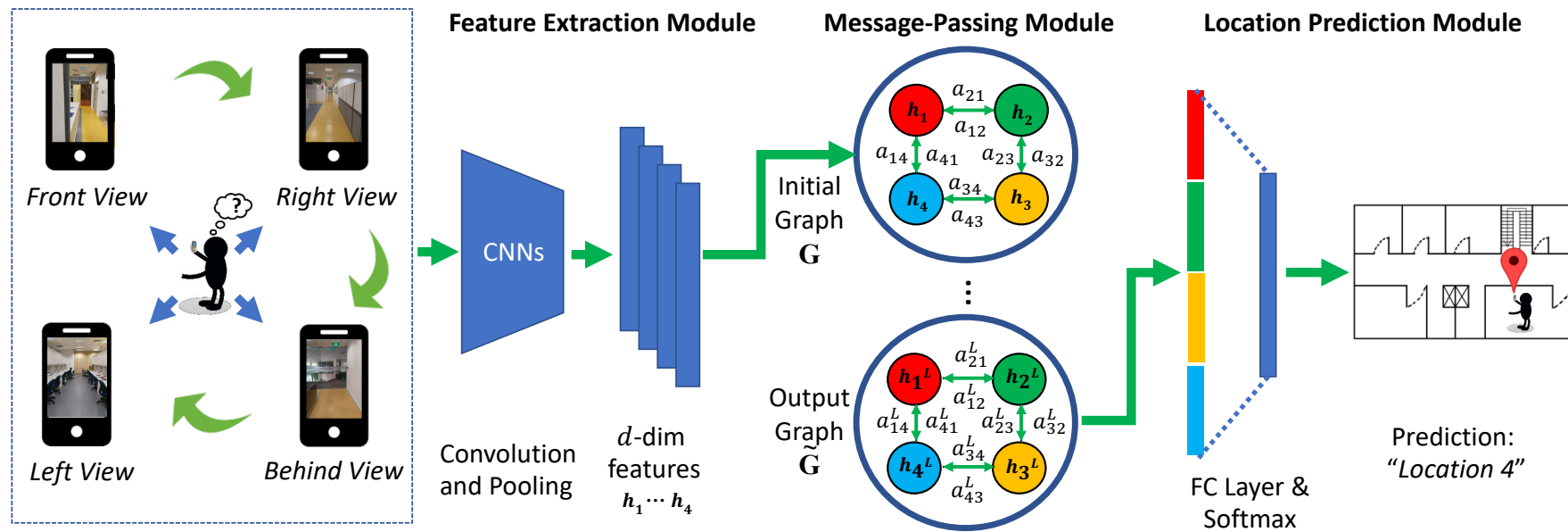


# Methodology



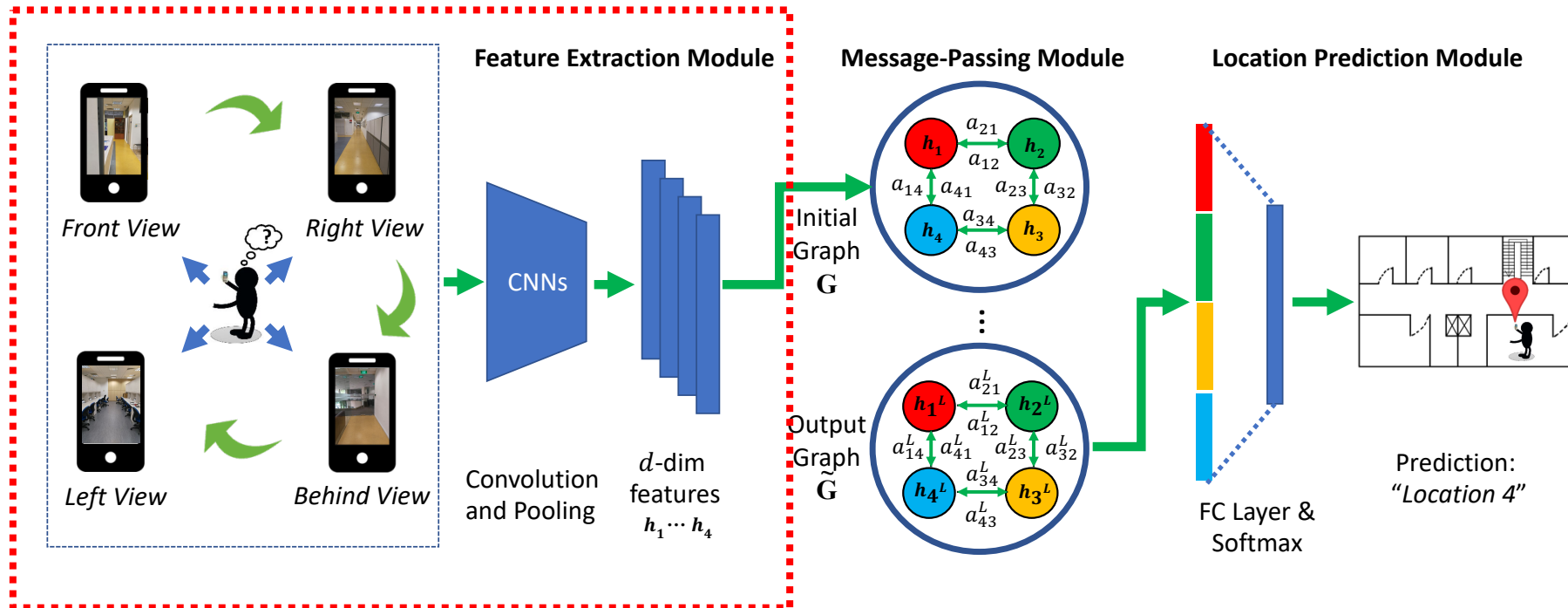
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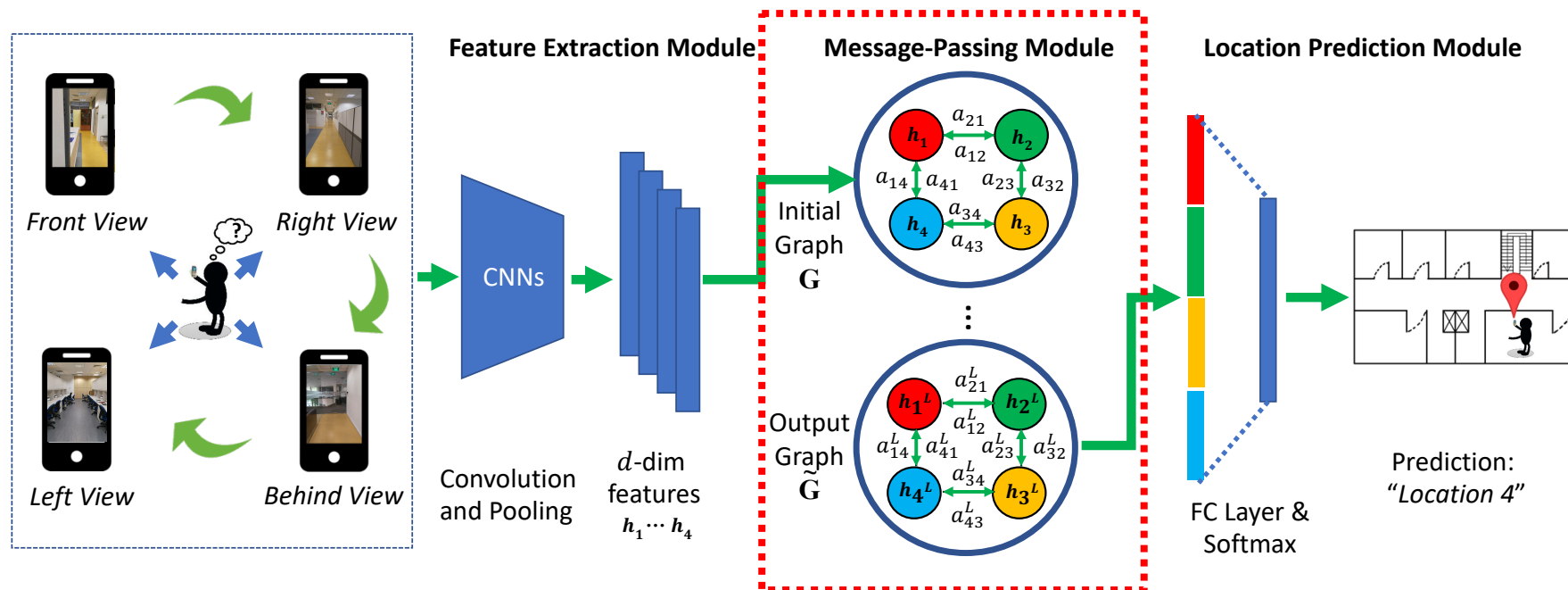
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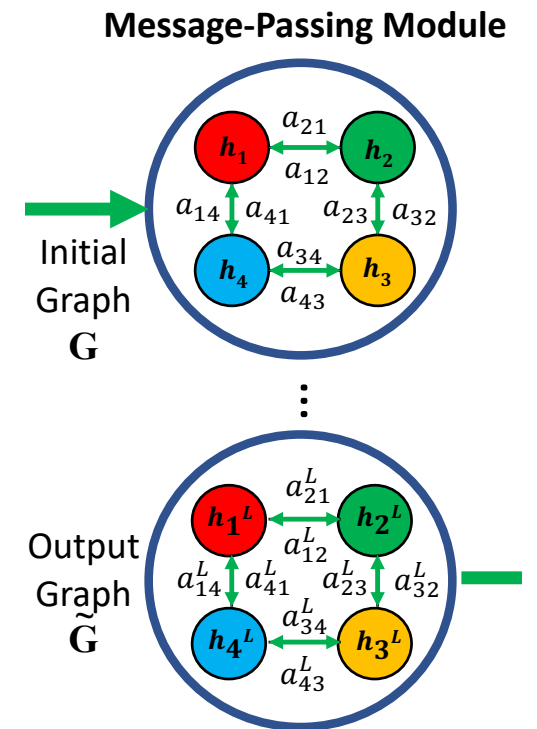
Message-passing with GNNs  
(w/ or w/o attention mechanism)

# GNNs & Attention Mechanism

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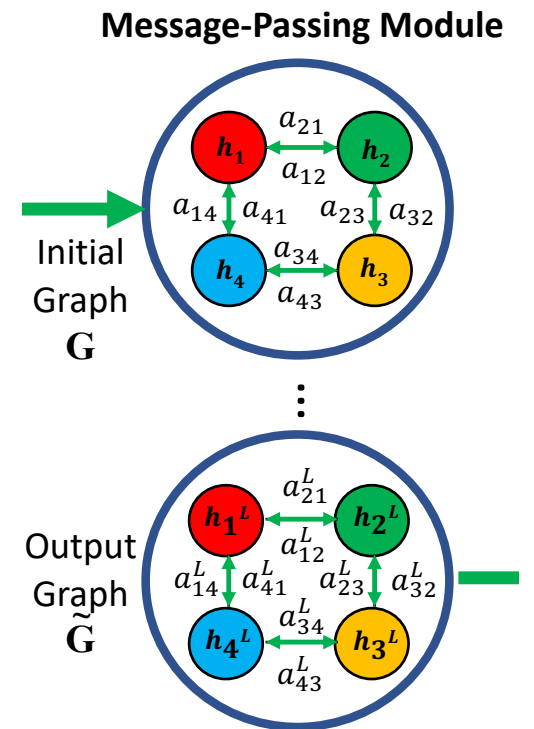
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- We try to employ attention mechanism to actively assign different weights for views

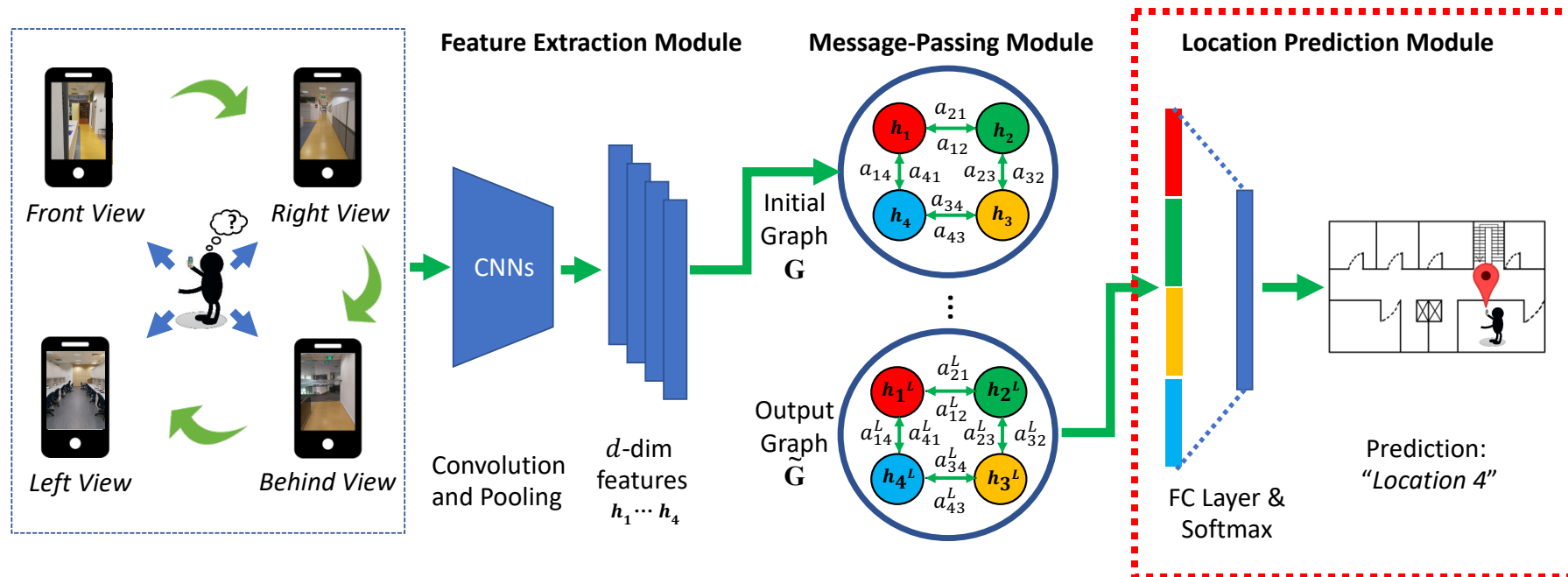
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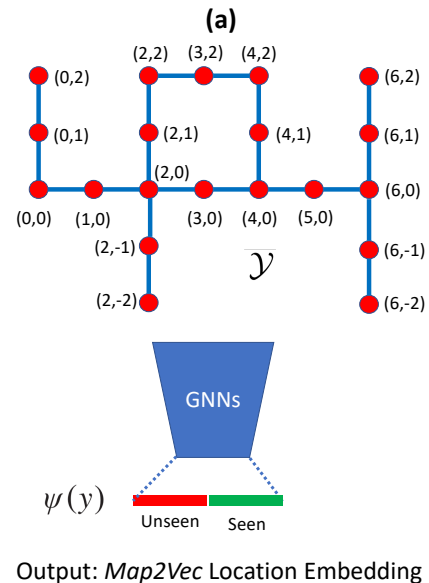
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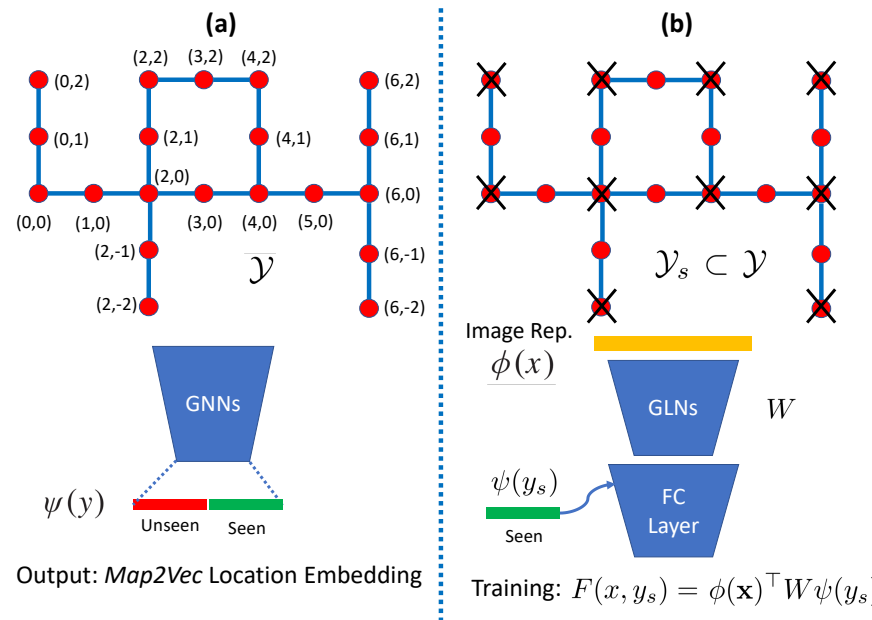
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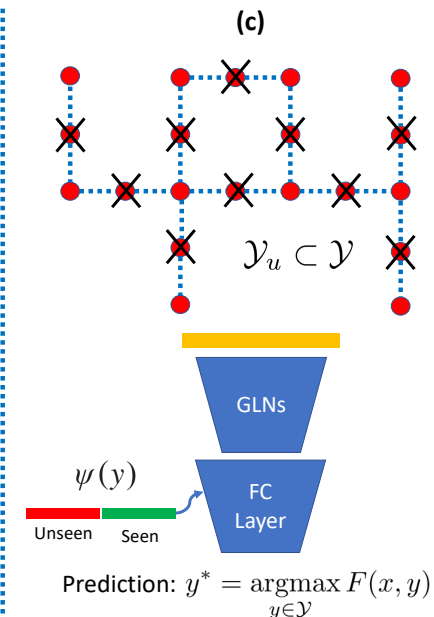
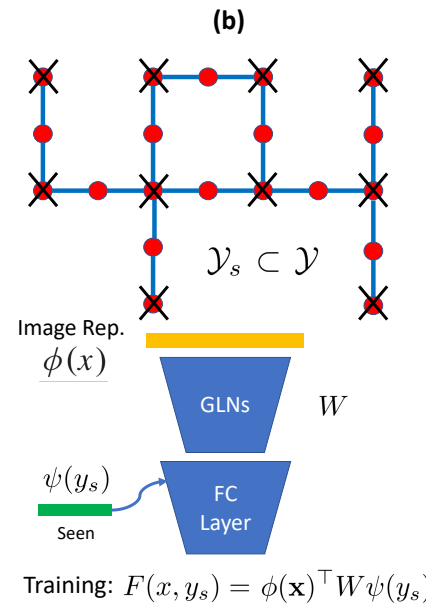
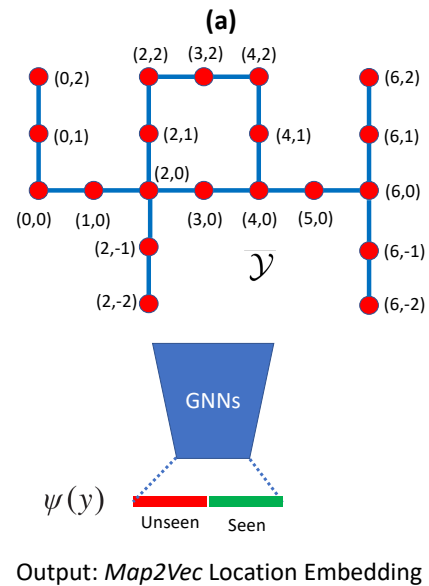


$$F(x, y_s) = \phi(\mathbf{x})^\top W \psi(y_s),$$

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# Experiments & Results

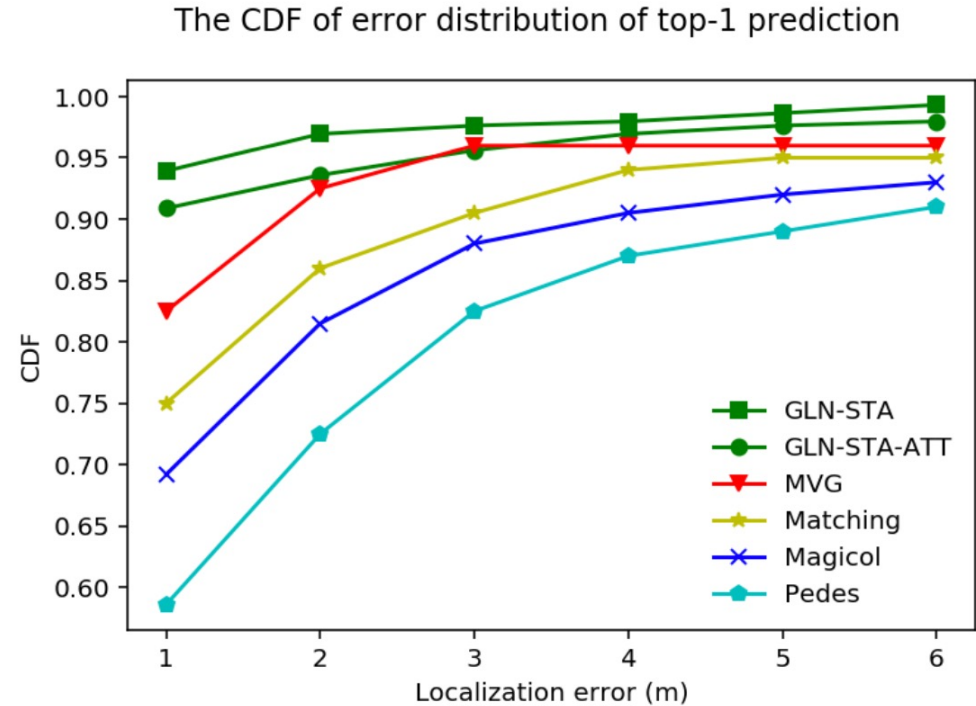
# Datasets

- We experimented our proposed approach on two datasets
- ICUBE: an existing dataset in an office building
  - 2,896 photos of 214 locations
  - Under standard setting, 1,712/1,184 images for training/testing
  - Under zero-shot setting, 1,368/1,528 images for training/testing where 102/112 locations as seen/unseen data
- WCP: collected ourselves in a shopping center
  - 3,280 photos of 394 locations
  - Under standard setting, 2,624/656 images for training/testing
  - Under zero-shot setting, 1,696/1,584 images for training/testing where 204/190 locations as seen/unseen data

# Results on Standard Indoor Localization

Dataset	Method	Meter-level Accuracy
ICUBE	Pedes [23]	58.30%
	Magicol [39]	69.20%
	Matching [30]	75.00%
	MVG [26]	82.50%
	<b>GLN-STA</b>	<b>93.92%</b>
	<b>GLN-STA-ATT</b>	<b>90.88%</b>
MALL-1†	Sextant [11]	47%
MALL-2‡	GeoImage [24]	53%
WCP	<b>GLN-STA</b>	<b>79.88%</b>
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**Table 1: Performance comparison with state-of-the-art models on ICUBE, WCP and the respective MALL datasets. Results of previous approaches on ICUBE are taken from [26], while results on distinct MALL datasets are taken from their respective papers. †MALL-1 consists of 108 locations and 686 images. ‡Mall-2 contains 20,000 images (locations).**



**Figure 5: The cumulative distribution function (CDF) curves of the localization error of the previous and our approaches in standard indoor localization setting on ICUBE dataset.**

# Results on Zero-Shot Indoor Localization

Dataset	Method	Recall@k					CDF@k					MED
		k=1	k=2	k=3	k=5	k=10	k=1	k=2	k=3	k=5	k=10	
ICUBE	Baseline-coord	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	3.53	3.73	5.96	11.65	23.95	23.00
	<b>GLN-ZS</b>	8.12	14.40	22.78	30.89	<b>46.60</b>	<b>19.90</b>	33.77	<b>45.81</b>	<b>56.28</b>	<b>74.87</b>	<b>3.76</b>
	<b>GLN-ZS-ATT</b>	<b>8.38</b>	<b>14.92</b>	<b>23.30</b>	<b>32.20</b>	45.81	18.59	<b>34.55</b>	43.71	55.24	73.04	4.09
WCP	Baseline-coord	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.01	1.01	2.78	3.79	8.84	27.00
	<b>GLN-ZS</b>	<b>2.02</b>	<b>6.06</b>	7.83	12.37	<b>24.75</b>	8.84	<b>13.38</b>	17.42	22.98	50.25	9.97
	<b>GLN-ZS-ATT</b>	<b>2.02</b>	4.55	<b>8.33</b>	<b>13.64</b>	24.50	<b>9.09</b>	<b>13.38</b>	<b>19.70</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>51.52</b>	<b>9.93</b>

Table 2: Results of zero-shot indoor localization in comparison of *Recall@k*, *CDF@k* and *Median Error Distance* (MED) on ICUBE and WCP datasets. Note that numbers of recall and CDF are in % (the higher the better), while the numbers of median error distance are in meter (the lower the better). MED results are estimated with linear interpolation.

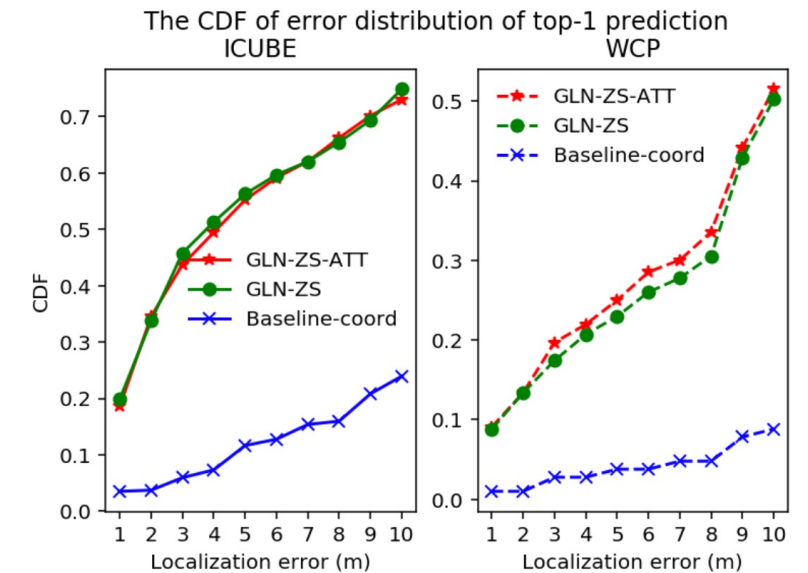


Figure 6: The cumulative distribution function (CDF) curves of the localization error of the zero-shot indoor localization experiments on ICUBE (left) and WCP (right) datasets.

# Qualitative Results

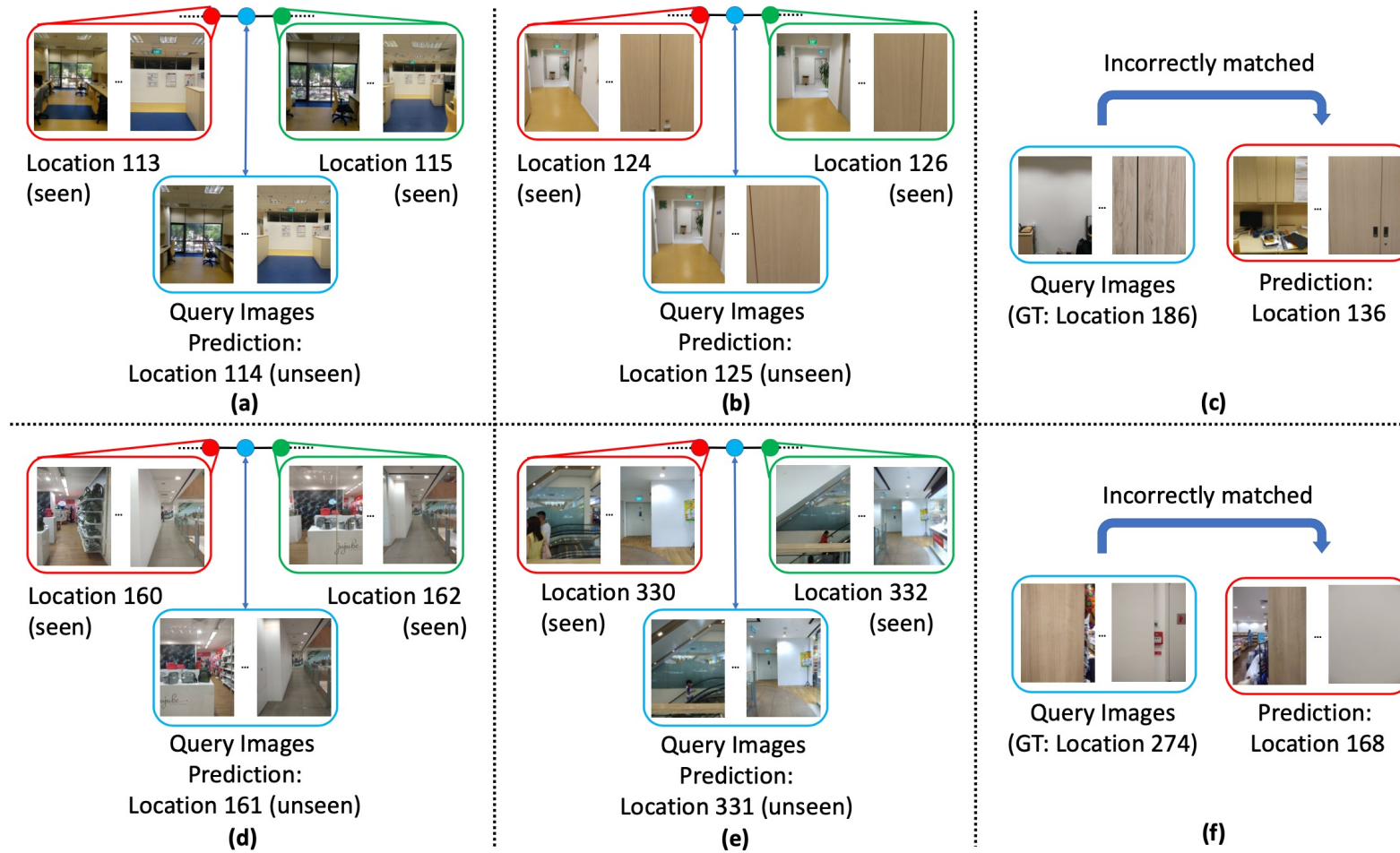


Figure 7: Qualitative results of zero-shot indoor localization on ICUBE (the top row) and WCP (the bottom row) dataset. The first two columns show examples of successful localization cases by utilizing the adjacency of seen classes to unseen classes, where the red, blue and green circles represent three adjacent locations. The last column shows examples of unsuccessful localization cases where our system is misled, especially when there are more query photos lacking distinguishable features.



# Summary

- We propose a novel neural network based architecture Graph Location Networks (GLN) to perform multi-view indoor localization. GLN takes in different views and makes location predictions based on robust location representations with message-passing mechanism.
- We propose a novel, three-step zero-shot learning framework for indoor localization that can be applied to any indoor localization approach.
- We additionally contribute an indoor localization dataset, WCP.
- We show through quantitative and qualitative results that our model achieves state-of-the-art under standard setting and produces promising results under zero-shot setting.



Thank you for your attention!