



“Yes, it’s self-defrosting. It also does a daily inventory, searches for the best deal and runs over to the store for you.”

Internet Rzeczy

Komunikacja radiowa

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Lecture Scope

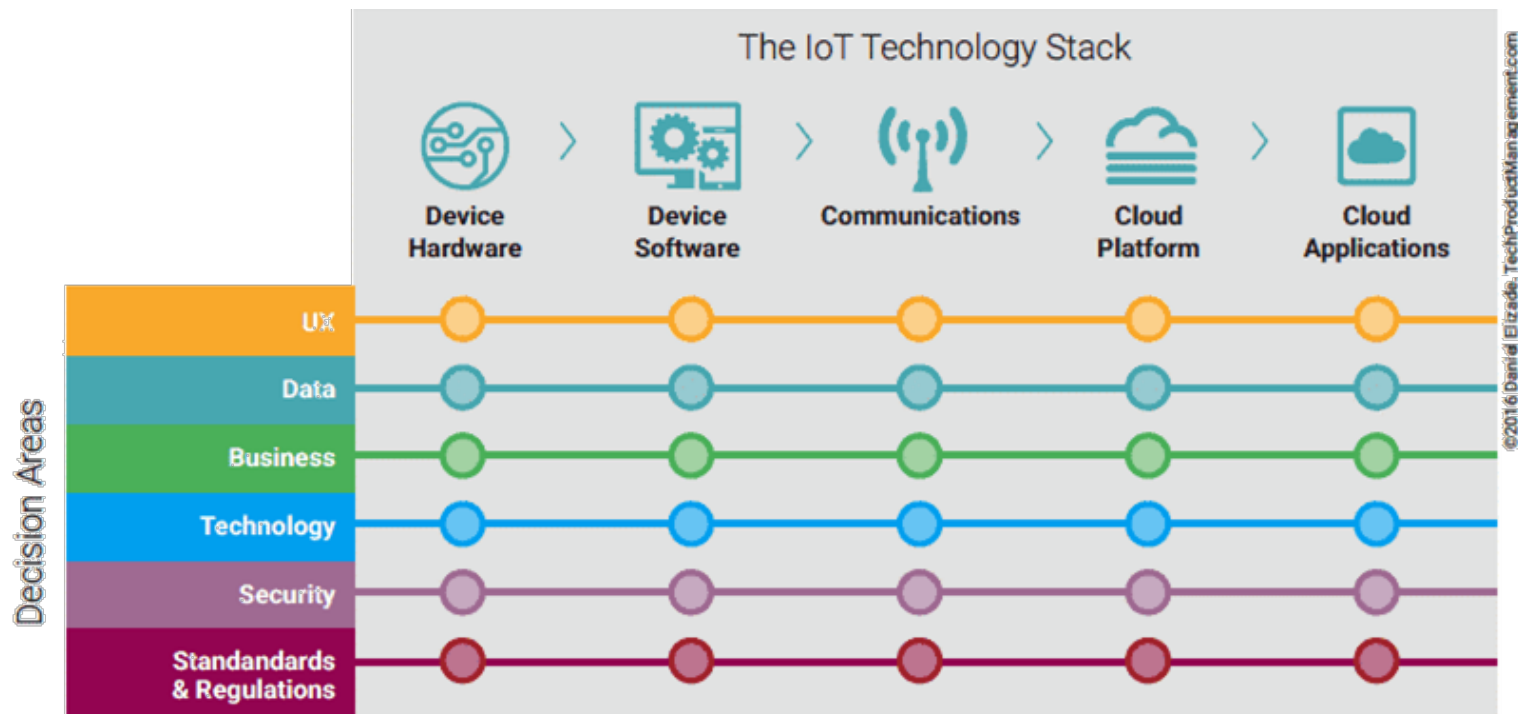
- IoT technology stack
 - How many experts are needed to tackle IoT problems?
- Indoor vs outdoor IoT problems
 - The devil is in the detail...
- Most important PHY/MAC mechanisms
 - How to serve thousands of IoT devices?
- Comparison of IoT radio technologies
 - Short range communications
 - Long range communications

IoT Technology Stack

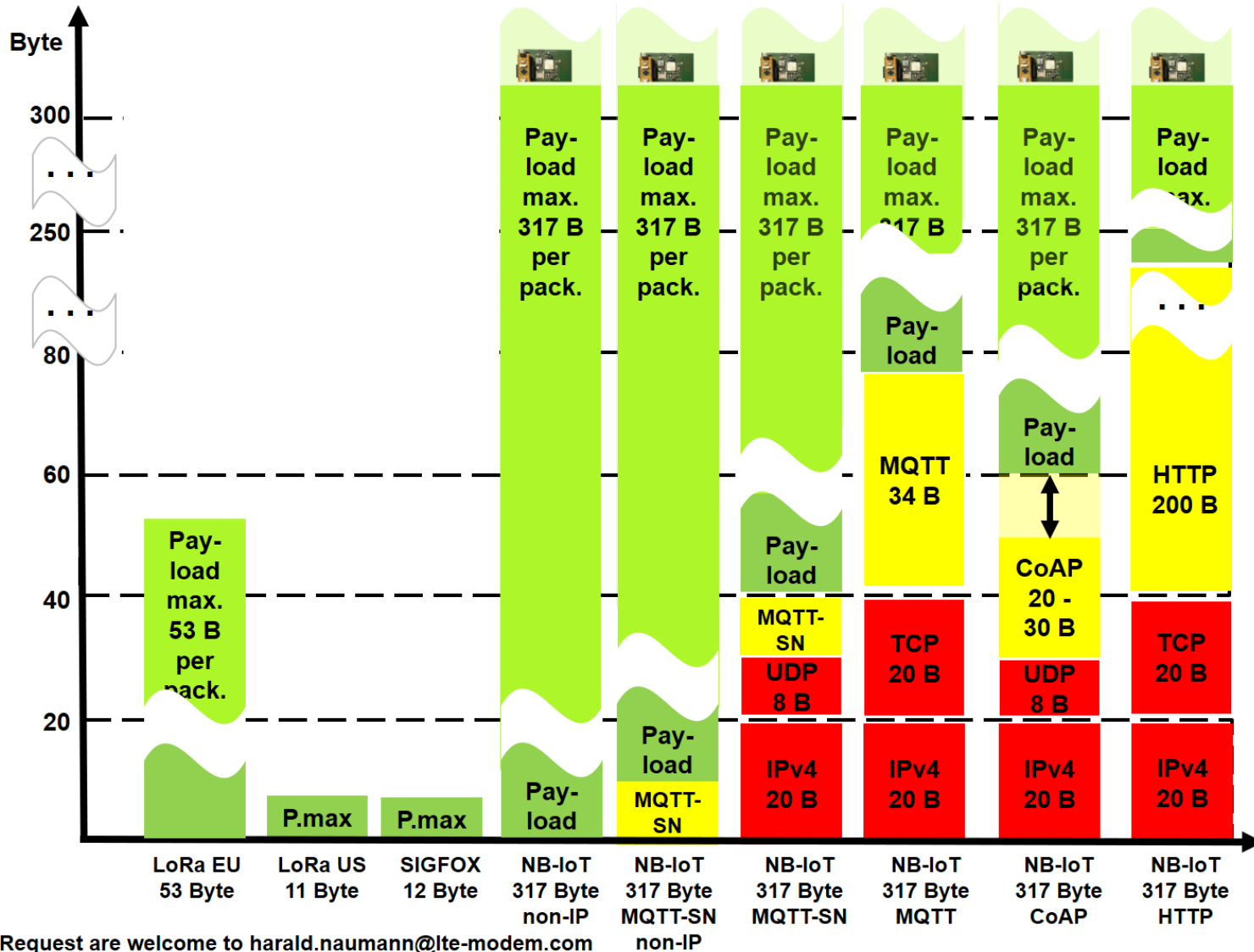
- **Hardware** (sensors and actuators)
- **Software** (communication with the cloud, collecting data, device integration, real-time data analysis)
- **Communication** (exchanging information)
 - Physical connectivity (e.g., cellular, Ethernet LAN, WiFi)
 - Higher layer communication (e.g., MQTT, CoAP)
- **Platform + Applications** (data gathering, managing, processing, analysis, and presentation to the user)
 - On-premise or cloud-based

Is it easy to create a successful IoT system/application?

- [The 6 Complexities of Building a Managed IoT Platform](#)
 - „Why underestimating complexity causes 75% of self-initiated IoT projects to fail”
- [A Simple IoT Decision Framework for Product Managers](#)



IoT System: Let's decide!



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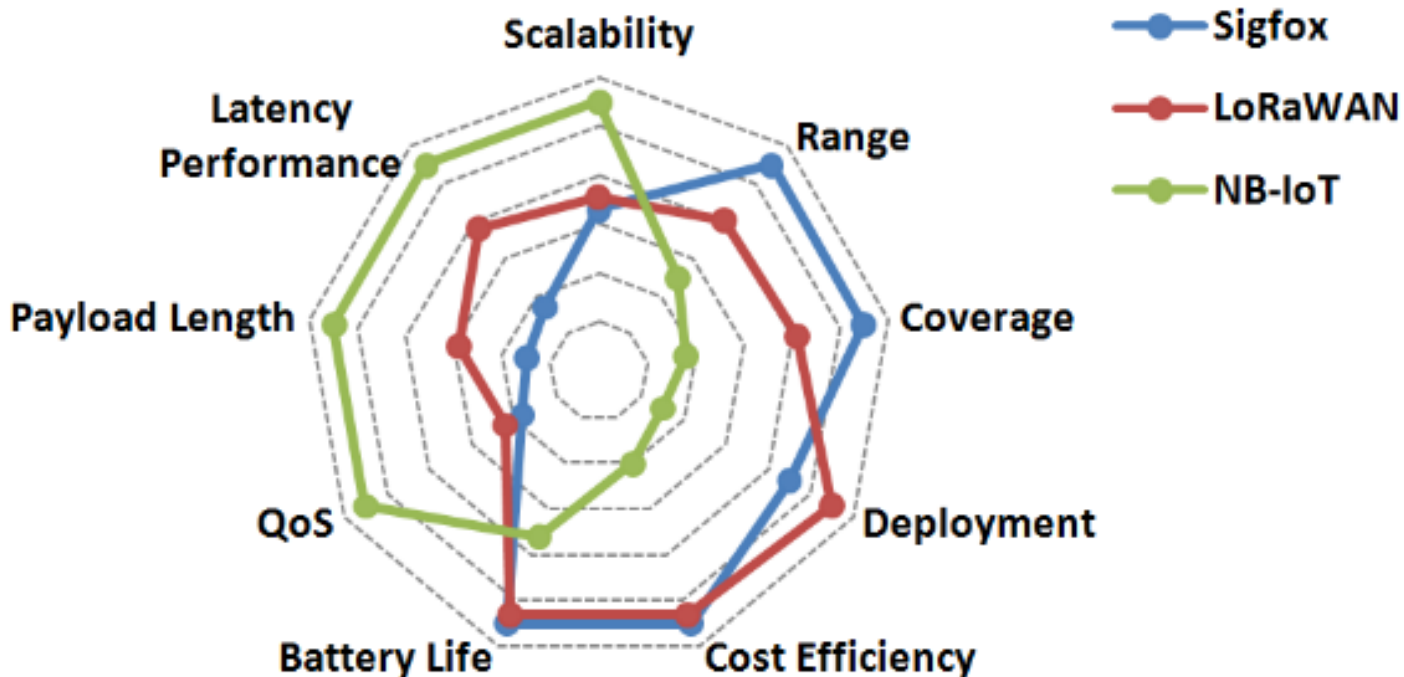


Fig. 5. Respective advantages of Sigfox, NB-IoT, and LoRaWAN

[Mekki, Kais, et al. "Overview of cellular LPWAN technologies for IoT deployment: Sigfox, LoRaWAN, and NB-IoT." 2018 IEEE International Conference on Pervasive Computing and Communications Workshops \(PerCom Workshops\). IEEE, 2018.](#)

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How many experts are needed?

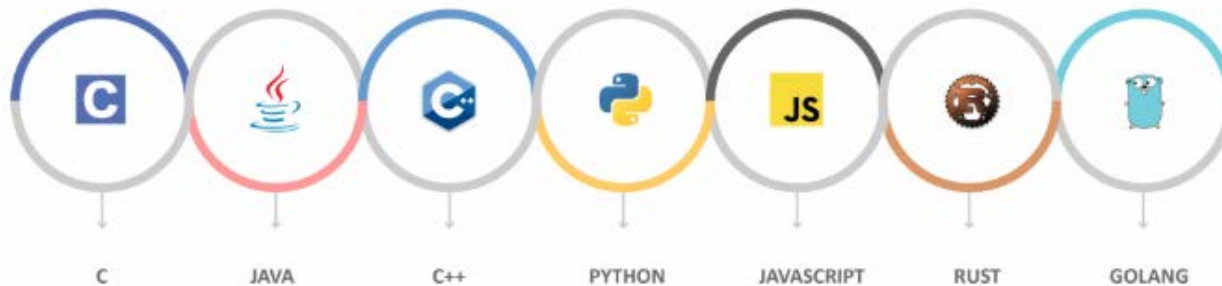
- **Hardware** designers
- Embedded **firmware** developers
- **Wireless + wired communications** experts
- **Backend** developers
- **Frontend** developers
- **App** developers
- **Automation and systems integration** engineers
- **Data scientists**
- **UX experts**
 - Rowland, Claire, et al. *Designing connected products: UX for the consumer Internet of Things*. " O'Reilly Media, Inc.", 2015.

IoT System

What skills are needed?

- [Developer Handbook](#)

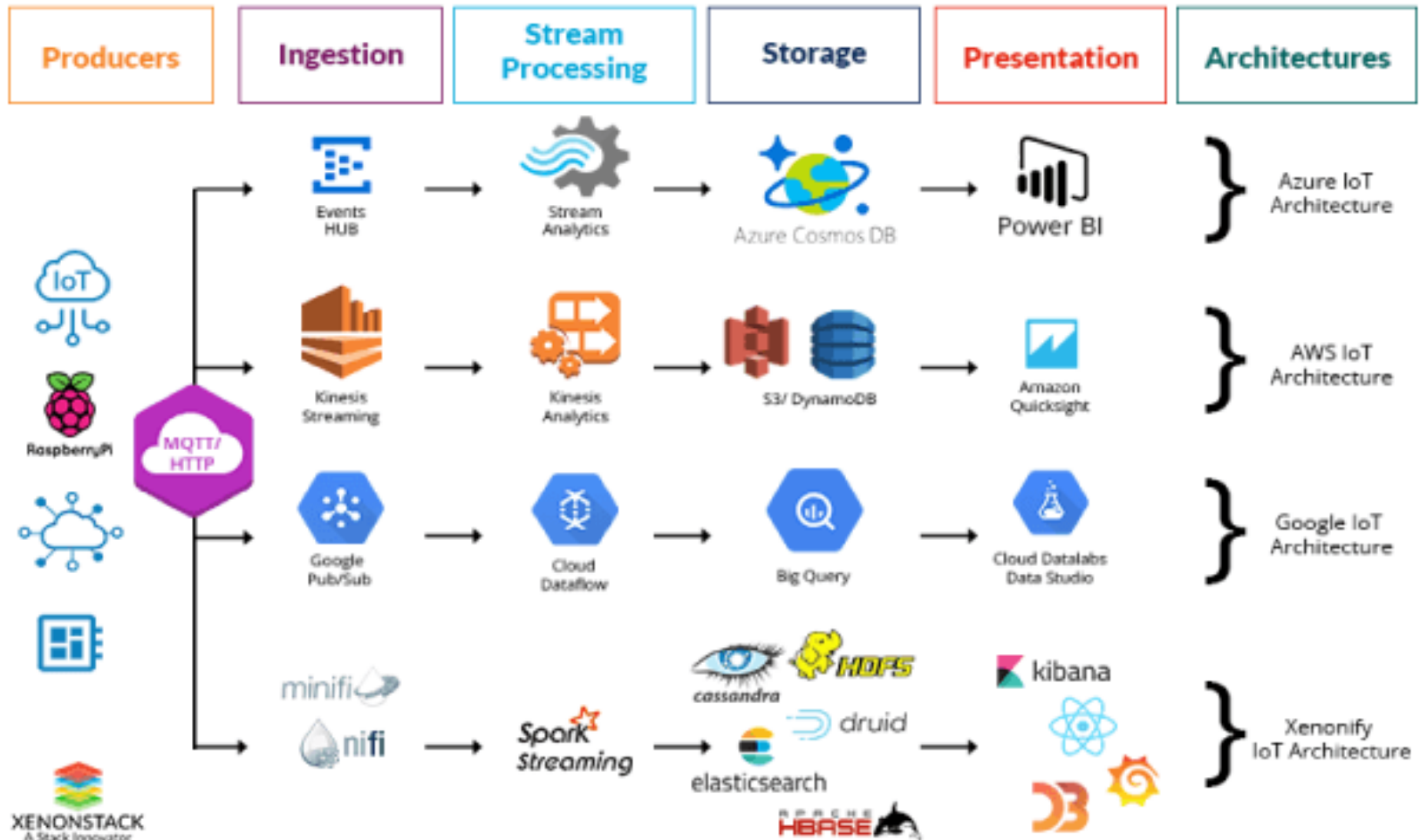
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1. DevOps	21. Swift	41. Objective-C
2. IoT	22. Golang	42. Qt
3. Open Source Security	23. C++	43. LabVIEW
4. Linux	24. Ruby	44. Bootstrap
5. Networking	25. Java	45. Elixir
6. Cloud-Native	26. Scala	46. Erlang
7. Kubernetes	27. Groovy	47. Lua
8. ARM	28. Clojure	48. Vala
9. Assembly(x86)	29. WebAssembly	49. Haskell
10. Machine Learning	30. CUDA	50. PHP
11. Python Guide	31. Julia	51. Robotics
12. SQL	32. R	52. WSL
13. HMTL/CSS	33. MATLAB	53. 3D Graphics & Design
14. React	34. Bash/Shell/PowerShell	54. Game Development
15. Angular	35. C#	55. Blockchain

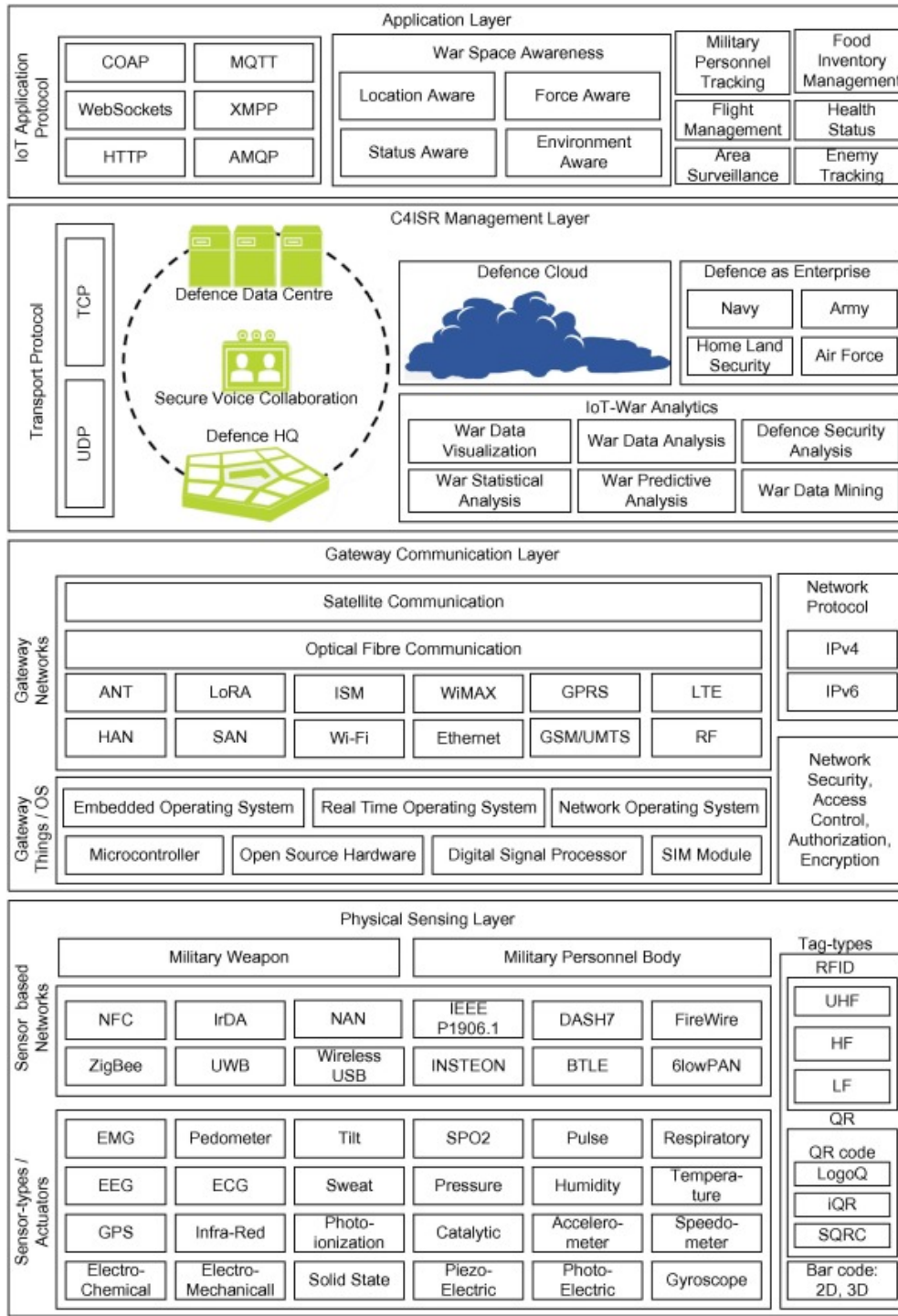


56. Working Remote
57. Audio & Video Editing
58. Podcasting
59. Agile Development
60. RISC-V

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What skills are needed?





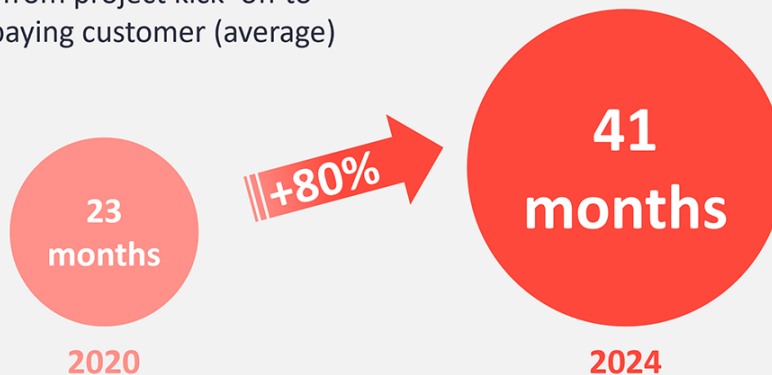
IoTNetWar architectural framework

Time-to-market

Time to market for IoT-connected products

Time-to-market* has increased by 80%

Time from project kick-off to first paying customer (average)



4 key reasons

- 1 Increased product complexity
- 2 Regulatory hurdles
- 3 Higher security scrutiny
- 4 More advanced use cases

Note: *Time to market = time needed (in months) to get from project kick-off to first paying customer.

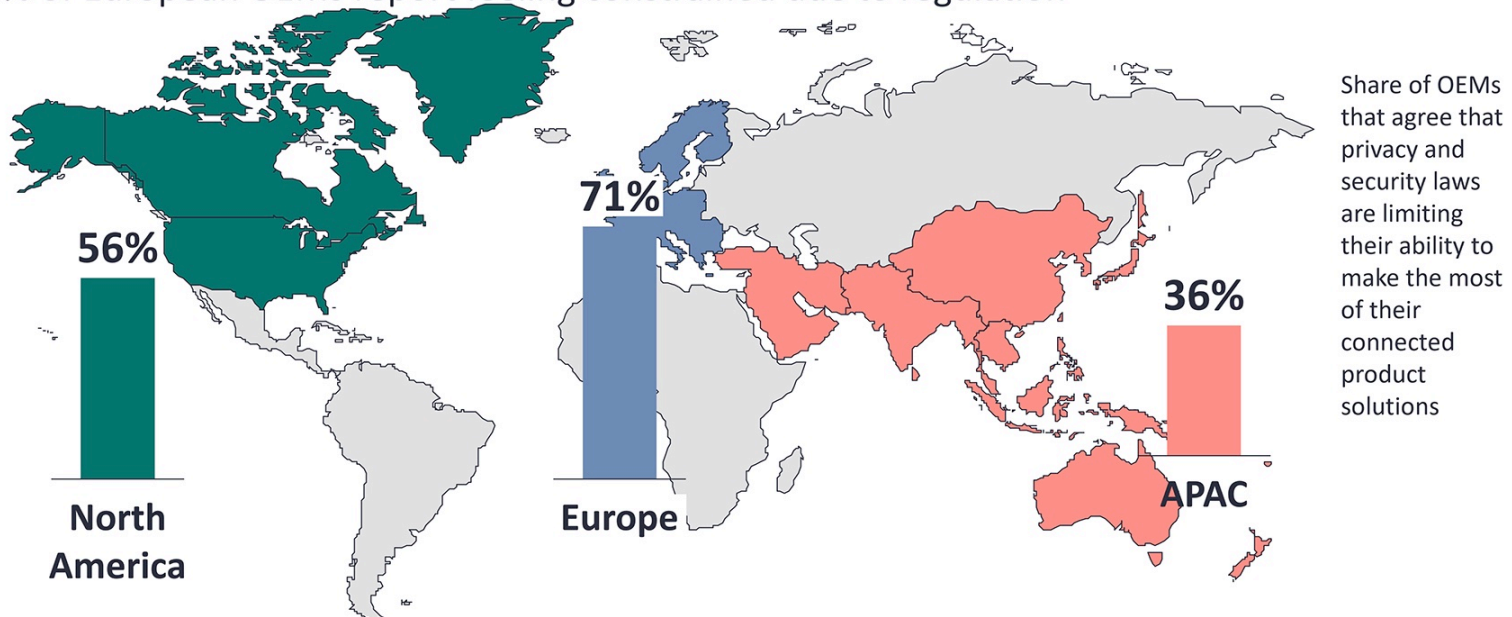
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<https://iot-analytics.com/>

Major IoT obstacle - security

Where regulation hampers global IoT initiatives

71% of European OEMs report feeling constrained due to regulation



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Indoor IoT

- Challenges
 - High power consumption
 - Various protocols
 - WPAN (ZigBee, Z-Wave, Bluetooth, ...)
 - WLAN (802.11a/b/g/n/ac/ax/be/ad/ay/ah...)
 - Lack of interoperability between technologies

Outdoor IoT

- Requirements
 - Low device cost & power (extended battery life), enhanced coverage & scalability, non/sub-ms latency
- Key challenges
 - Millions of devices
 - Each needs only a fraction of bandwidth
 - Heavy signaling and data overheads
 - Connection setup, mobility, QoS handling

THE DEVIL IS IN THE DETAIL...

ETSI Documents (Networks)

- EN 300 328
 - ***Wideband transmission systems***
 - *Data transmission equipment operating in the **2,4 GHz** ISM band and using wide band modulation techniques*
 - Examples: IEEE 802.11™, Bluetooth® wireless technologies, Zigbee™
- EN 301 893
 - ***Broadband Radio Access Networks (BRAN)***
 - ***5 GHz high performance Radio LAN (RLAN)***
 - Examples: Wireless LAN, Cellular Networks (LAA)
- ...

ETSI Documents (Equipment)

- EN 300 220, EN 300 330, EN 300 440
 - *Short Range Devices (SRD) operating in the frequency range **25 MHz to 1 000 MHz***
 - ...9 kHz to 25 MHz
 - ...1 GHz to 40 GHz
- EN 302 567
 - Multiple-Gigabit/s radio equipment operating in the **60 GHz band**
- ...

Test Item	EN 300 328 V1.7.1(2006-10)	EN 300 328 V1.8.1(2012-07)
Equipment Types	FHSS and DSSS	FHSS, other Wide Band modulation, adaptive and non-adaptive equipment.
RF output Power	100mW maximum e.i.r.p	100mW mean e.i.r.p (need to consider beam forming gain)
Power Spectral Density (non-FHSS only)	10dBm/MHz maximum e.i.r.p spectral density	10dBm/MHz, mean e.i.r.p. spectral density
Duty Cycle, TX-Sequence, TX-Gap	Not defined	Duty cycle shall be equal to or less than the maximum value declared. - For FHSS : max TX-sequence time ≤ 5 ms, min TX-Gap time ≥ 5 ms - For non-FHSS: TX-sequence time = Min. TX- Gap time = M (Note: $3.5\text{ms} < M < 10\text{ms}$)
Dwell time, Minimum Frequency Occupation and Hopping Sequence (FHSS only)	Frequency Hopping requirements: Dwell time $< 0.4\text{s}$ Hopping channel, Hopping sequence	Dwell time, Minimum Frequency Occupation and hopping sequence Hopping frequency separation: new limits;
Medium access protocol	A medium access protocol shall be implemented	Medium Utilization factor only for Non-adaptive equipment with and EIRP $> 10\text{mW}$; Limit: $\leq 10\%$
Adaptivity	No requirement	Only for adaptive equipment with e.i.r.p > 10 mW
Occupied Bandwidth	No requirement	99% OBW shall fall within the used band. FHSS and Non-AFH equipment (e.i.r.p > 10 dBm): Occupied Channel Bandwidth ≤ 5 MHz Non-FHSS and non-AFH equipment (e.i.r.p > 10 dBm): Occupied Channel Bandwidth $< 20\text{MHz}$

How to serve thousands of IoT devices?

MOST IMPORTANT PHY/MAC MECHANISMS

FDMA
OFDMA

TDD

FHSS

Scheduled access
(CFP)
Distributed access
(CP)
Super-frames
(CFP+CP)

TDMA

FDD

DSSS

Fast association
Restricted
access window
(podział na
mniejsze grupy)

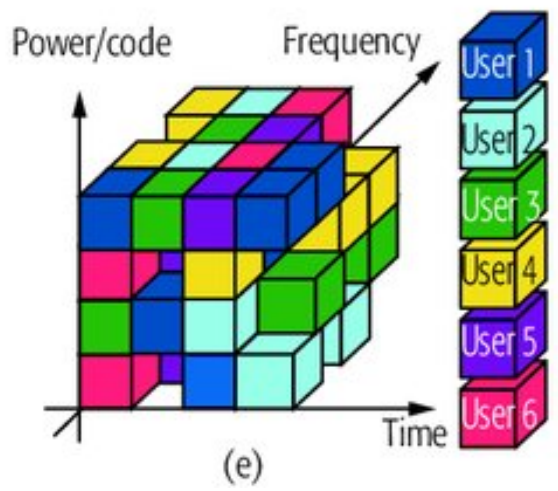
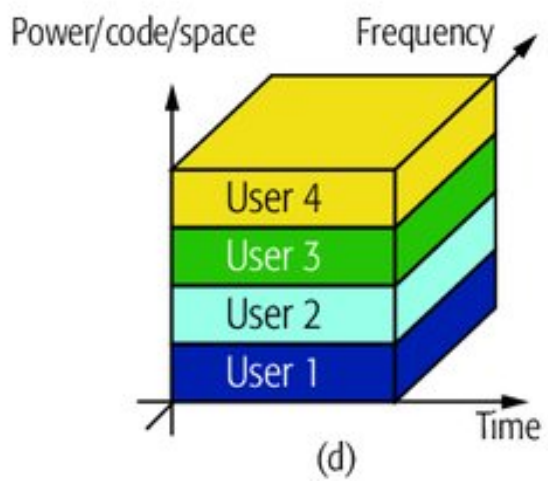
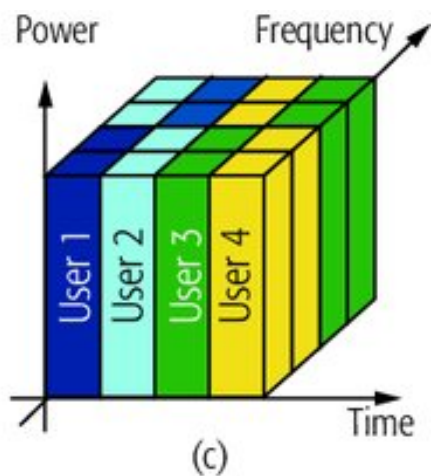
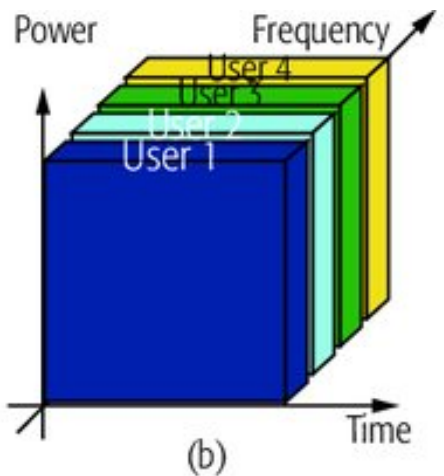
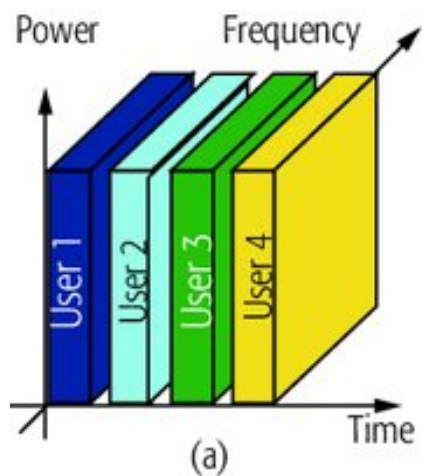
CDMA
SDMA
NOMA

SDD

Chirp SS

Half-duplex
Full-duplex

Multiple Access Types



[Chen, Yan, et al. "Toward the standardization of non-orthogonal multiple access for next generation wireless networks." *IEEE Communications Magazine* 56.3 \(2018\): 19-27.](#)

Code-Division Multiple Access (CDMA)

CODES

$$c_A = (1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1)^T$$

$$c_B = (1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1)^T$$

$$c_C = (1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1)^T$$

Transmitter (Tx) 0: $-C_U$
 1: C_U

Receiver (Rx) $s_U(d) = c_U^T \cdot d$

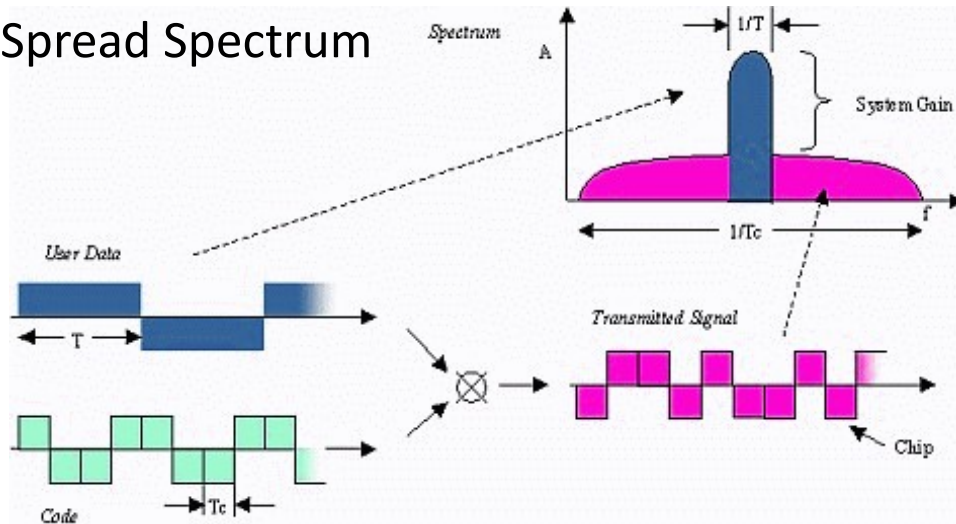
A: 0, B: 1, C: 0 $d = -c_A + c_B - c_C$

Channel: $d = (-1 \ -3 \ -1 \ -3 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1)^T$ **Rx:**

$s_A(d) = -8$	0
$s_B(d) = 8$	1
$s_C(d) = -8$	0

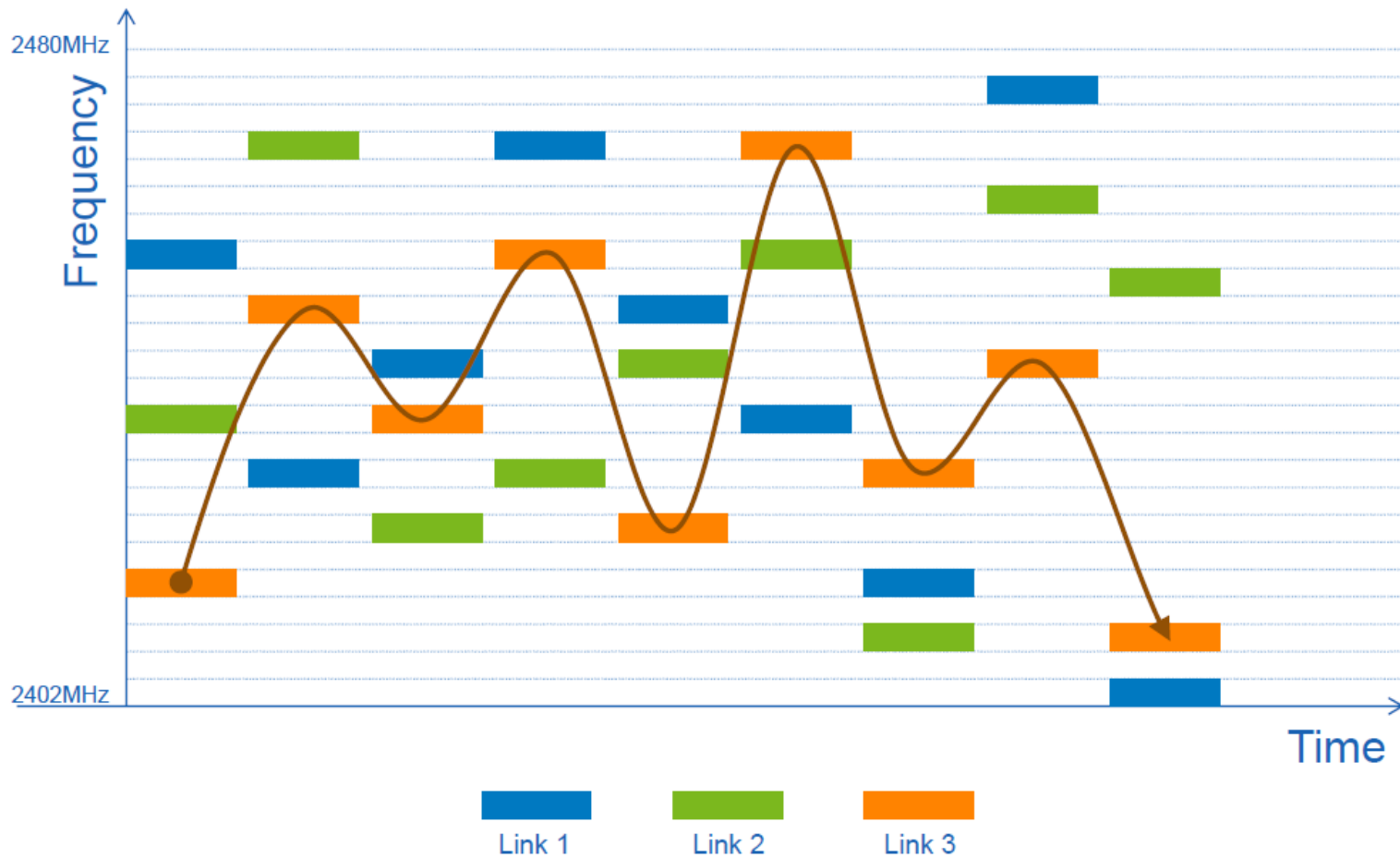
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Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum

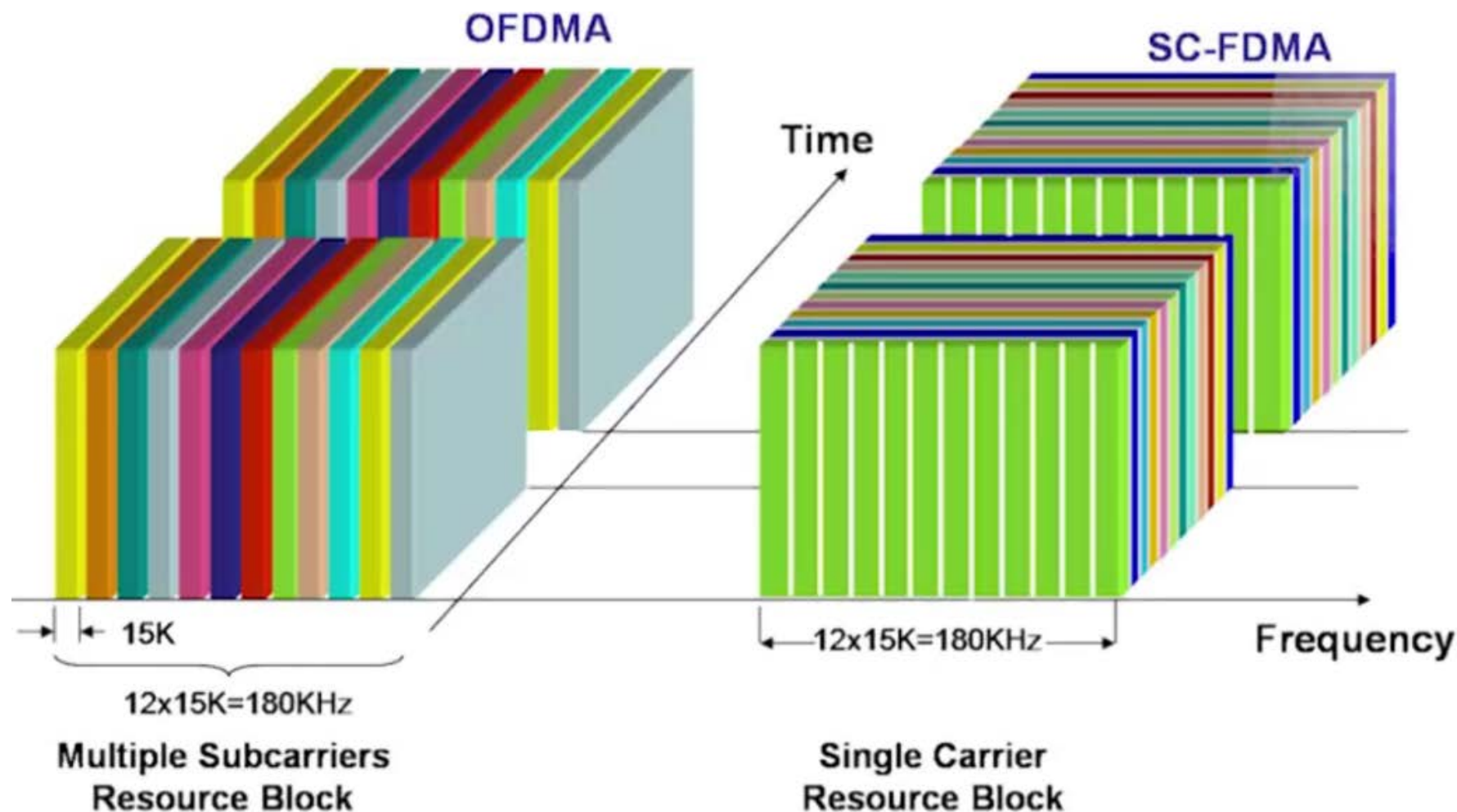


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Frequency Hopping (FHSS)

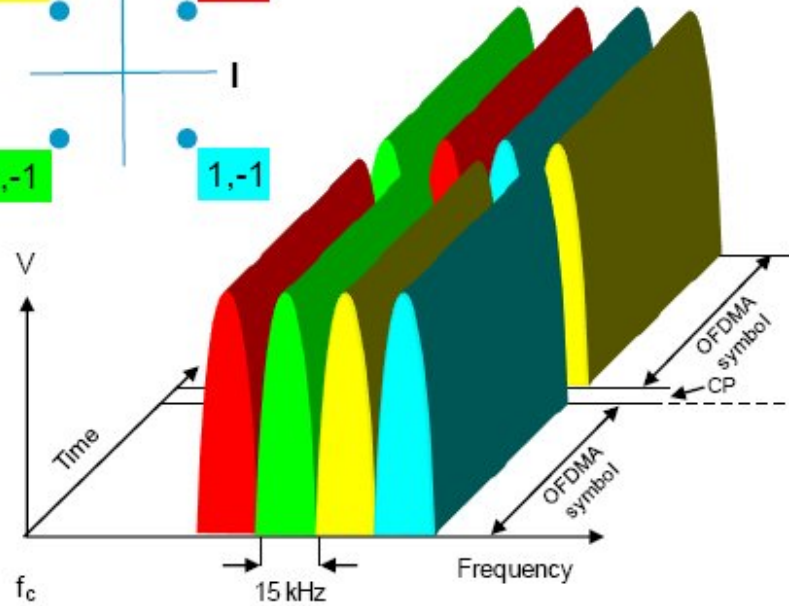
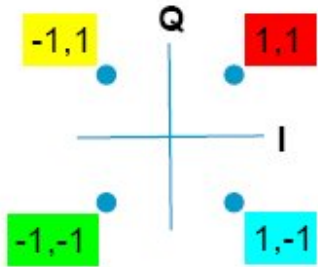
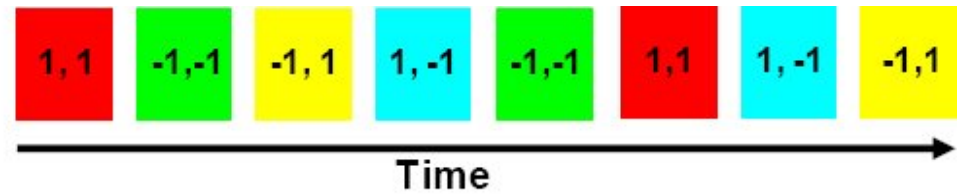


OFDMA/SC-FDMA



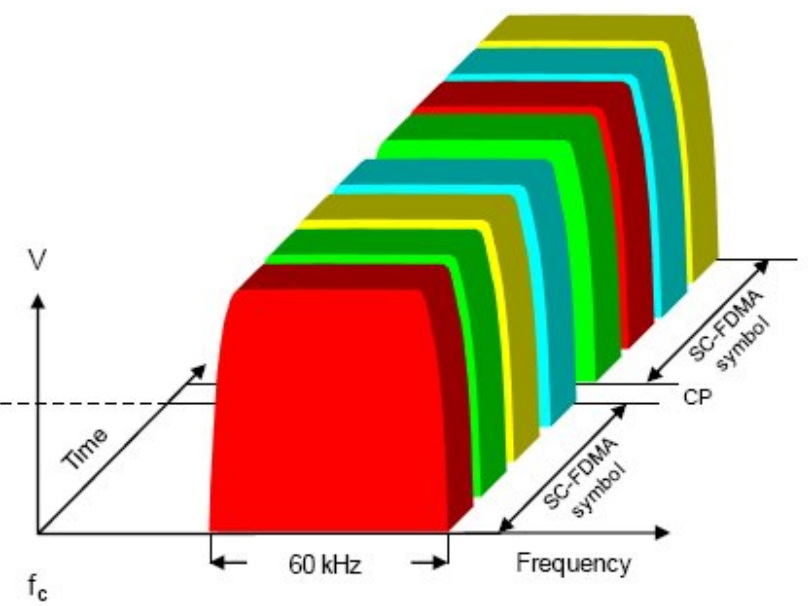
OFDMA/SC-FDMA

The following graphs show how a sequence of eight QPSK symbols is represented in frequency and time



OFDMA

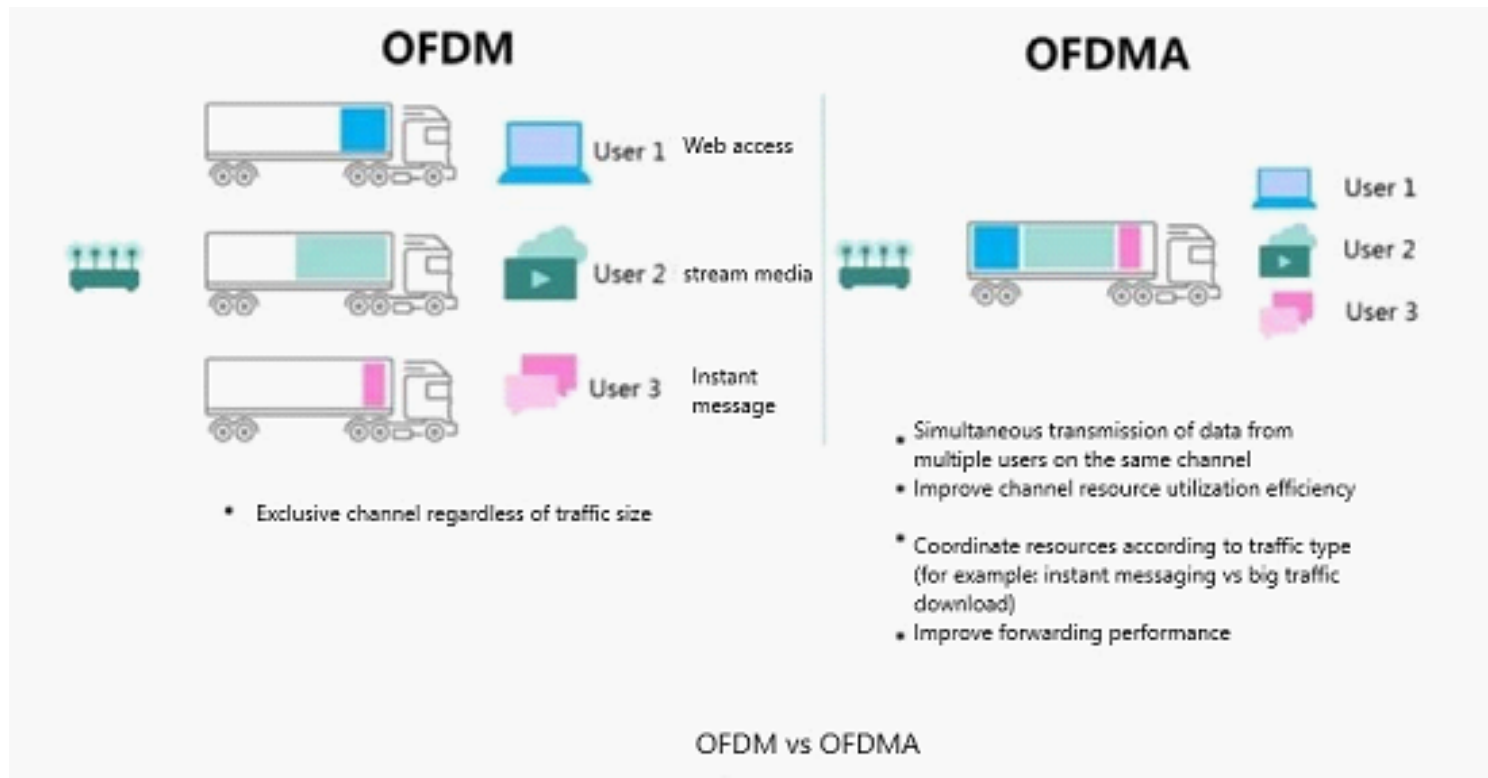
Data symbols occupy 15 kHz for one OFDMA symbol period



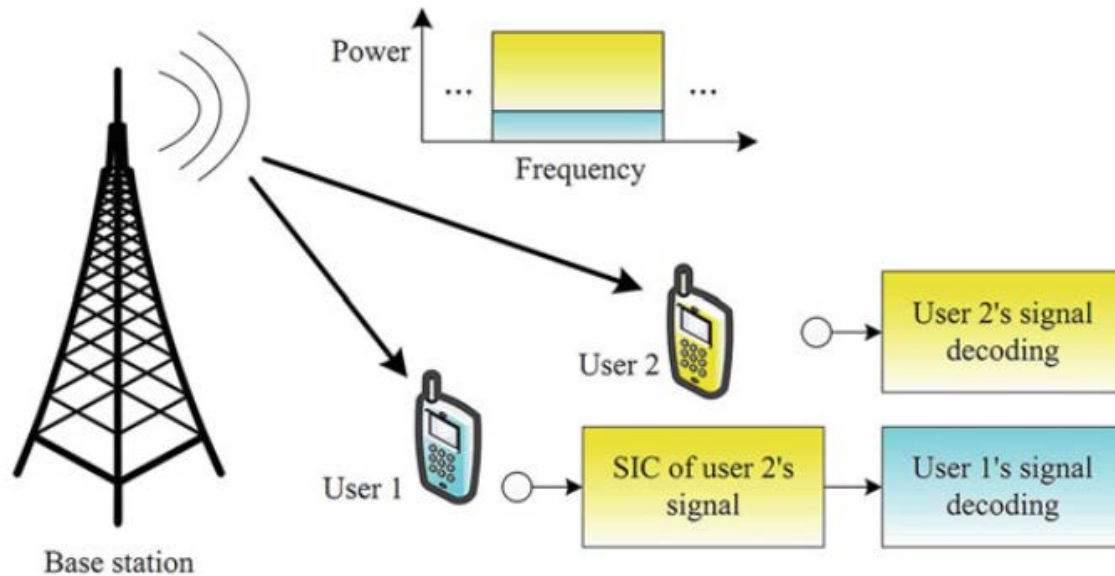
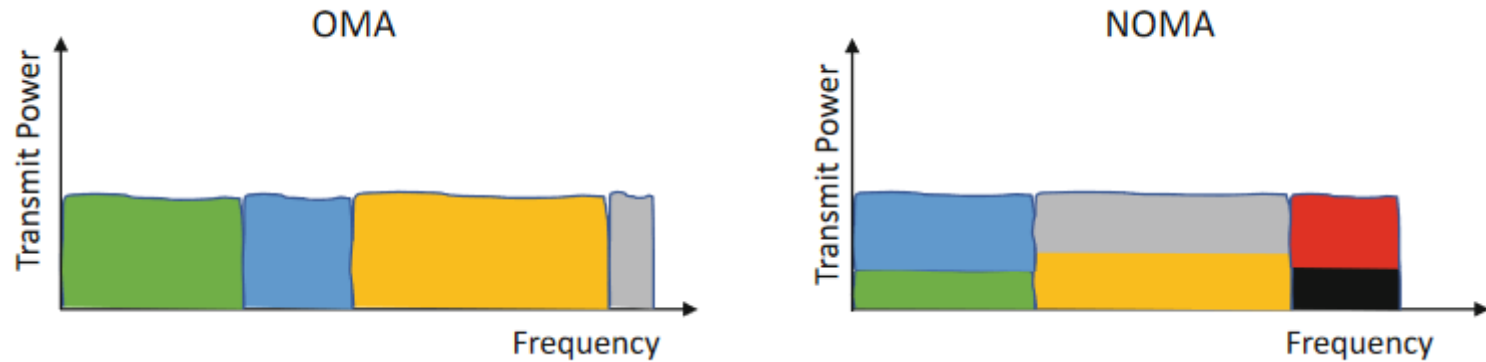
SC-FDMA

Data symbols occupy $M \cdot 15$ kHz for $1/M$ SC-FDMA symbol periods

OFDM vs OFDMA



Non-orthogonal multiple access (NOMA)



Space/Spatial Division Duplex (SDD)

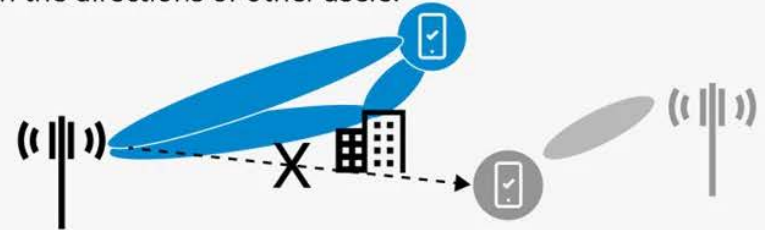
A. Beamforming

Serve single users by directing the energy toward the user.



B. Generalized beamforming

Serve single users by sending the same data stream in different directions and possibly forming zero (nulls) in the directions of other users.



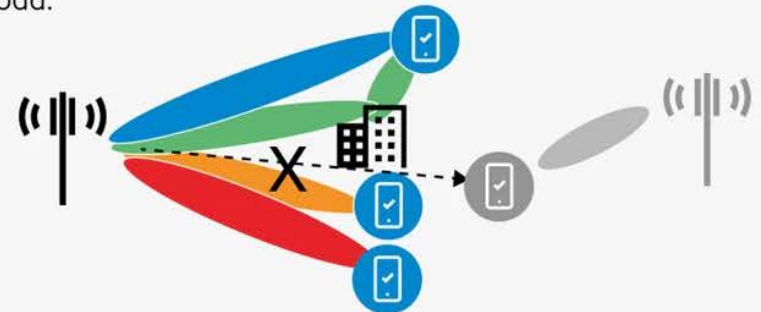
C. SU-MIMO

Increase data rates by transmitting several data streams to a user.



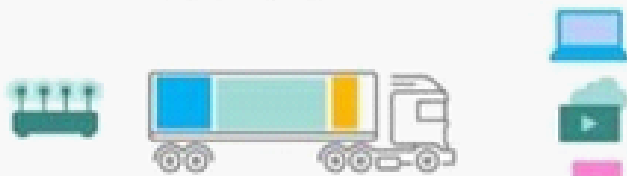
D. MU-MIMO

At high load, serve more users simultaneously at high load.



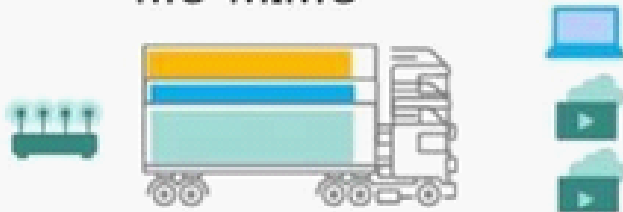
OFDMA vs MU-MIMO

OFDMA



- OFDMA improves performance and efficiency
- OFDMA reduces latency
- Suitable for low bandwidth applications

MU-MIMO

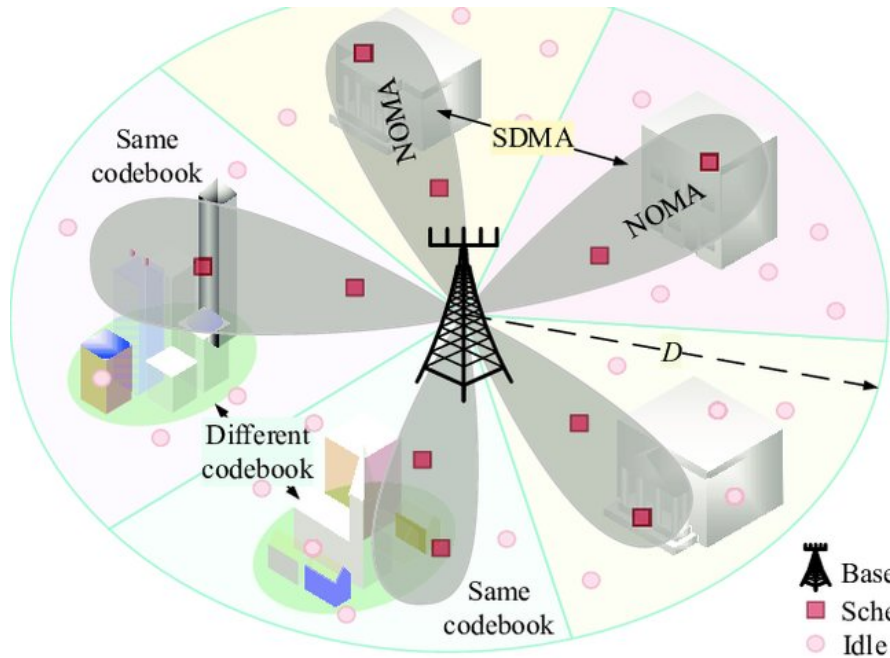


- MU-MIMO boost capacity
- MU-MIMO provides high-speed connectivity for each user
- Suitable for high bandwidth applications

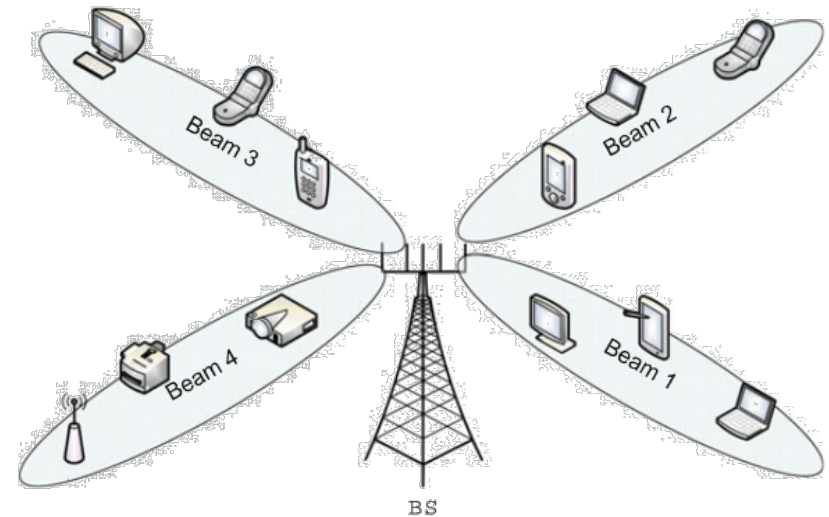
MU-MIMO is similar to serving multiple users simultaneously with multiple buses

Use OFDMA and MU-MIMO depending on the type of application being served

Space-division multiple access (SDMA)



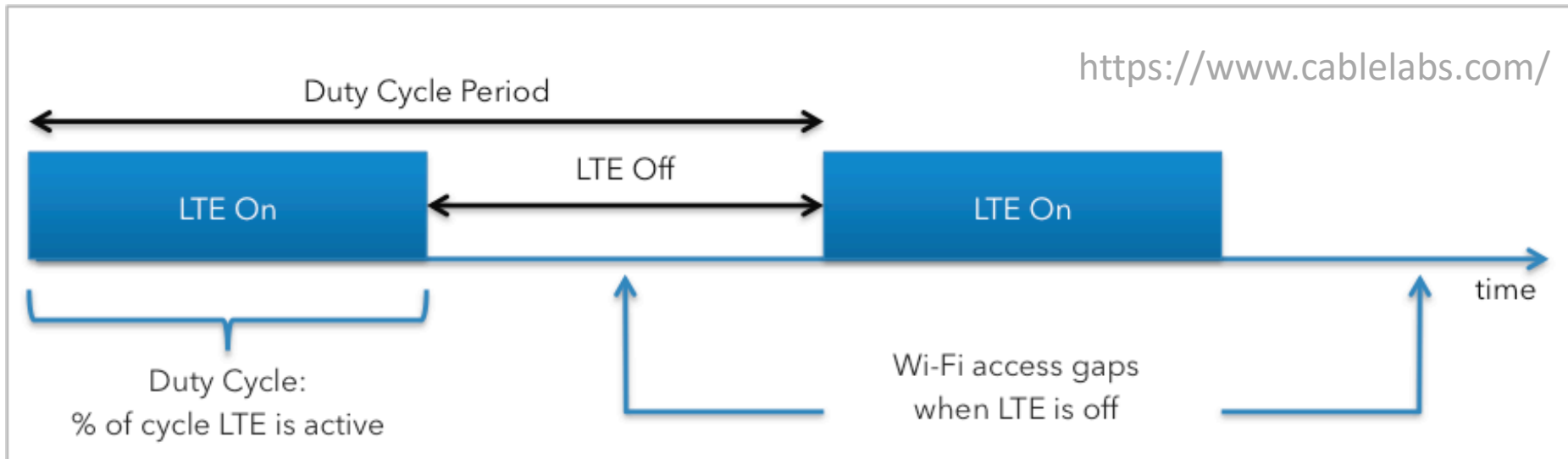
[Yang, Qian, et al. "Outage performance of NOMA in downlink SDMA systems with limited feedback." 2017 IEEE International Conference on Communications \(ICC\). IEEE, 2017.](#)



A multiuser NOMA communication system with 4 clusters

Vaezi, Mojtaba, Zhiguo Ding, and H. Vincent Poor, eds. *Multiple access techniques for 5G wireless networks and beyond*. Cham: Springer, 2019.

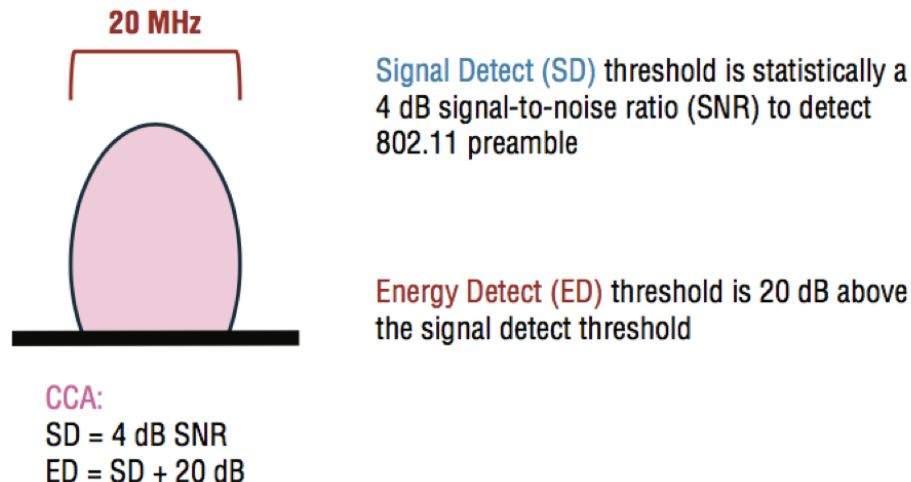
Duty Cycle (TDD)



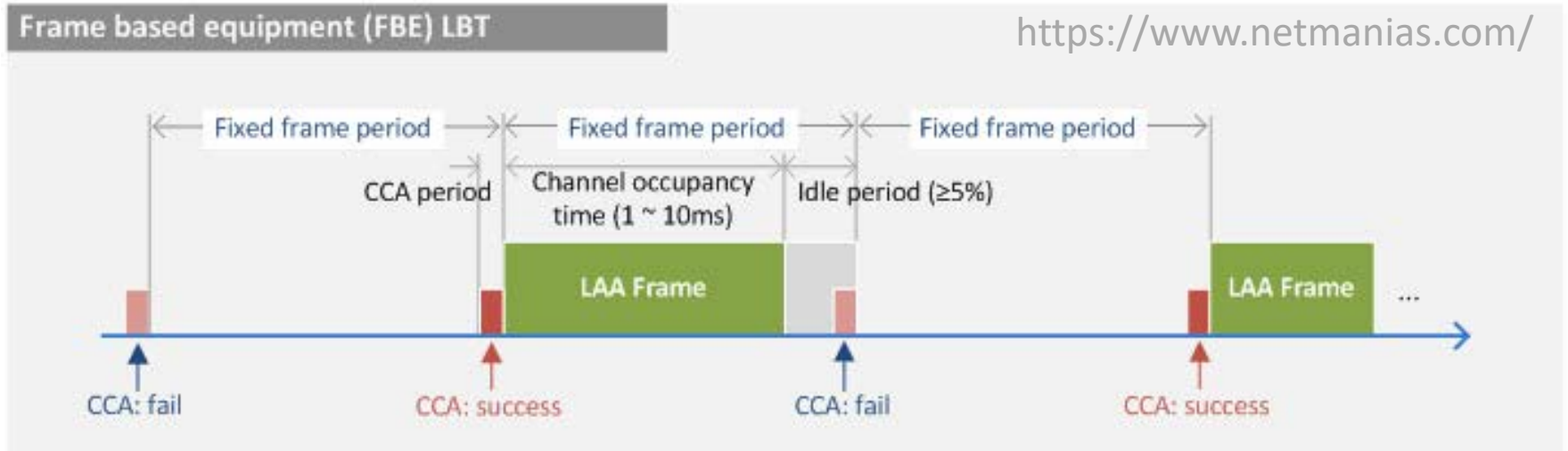
- Do not sense the channel before transmission
- Turn transmissison on/off for some time

Listen Before Talk (LBT)

- Before using the channel, equipment first applies Clear Channel Assessment (CCA)
 - Channel is considered occupied if the energy level in the channel exceeds some threshold
 - If the channel is clear, equipment starts transmitting



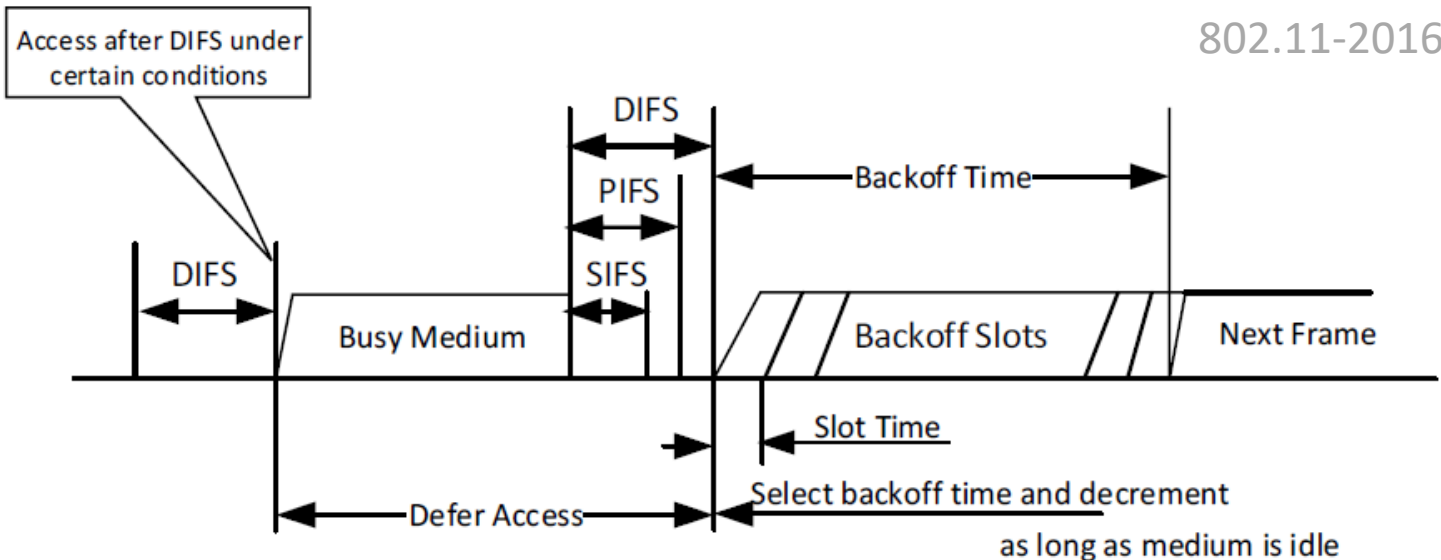
Frame-based Equipment



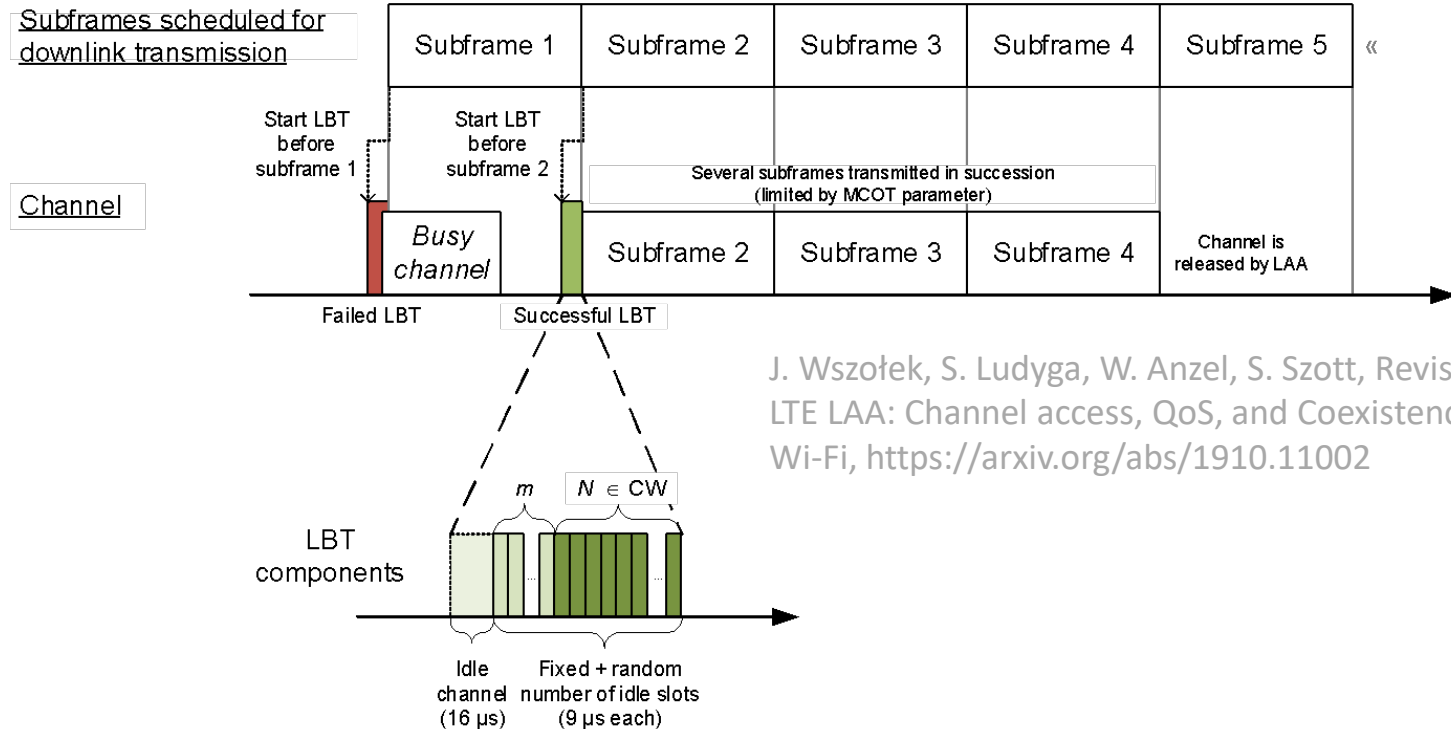
- Transmissions on fixed timing, with fixed frame period
- At the end of idle frame – clear channel assessment (CCA)
 - Busy channel: skip frame and perform CCA in the next frame period
 - Empty channel: transmission at the beginning of the next frame

Random Backoff

- Device selects a random number N in $\{0, \dots, CW\}$, CW : contention window
 - Backoff Time = $\text{Random}() \times \text{aSlotTime}$
- CCA performed for each observation slot, results either in decrementing N by 1 or freezing the backoff procedure
- Once N reaches 0, a transmission may commence



Load-based Equipment

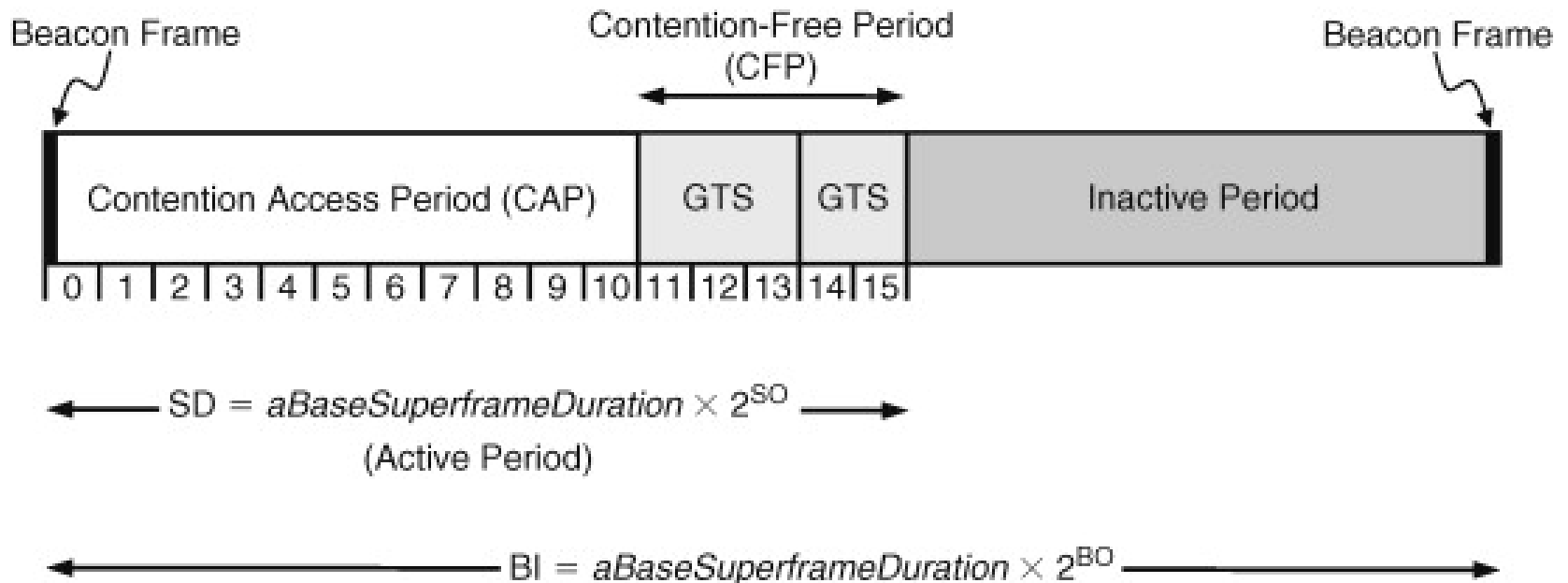


- Perform CCA whenever needed to send frames
 - Busy channel: calculate backoff and wait for the medium to become idle again
 - Empty channel: immediate transmission

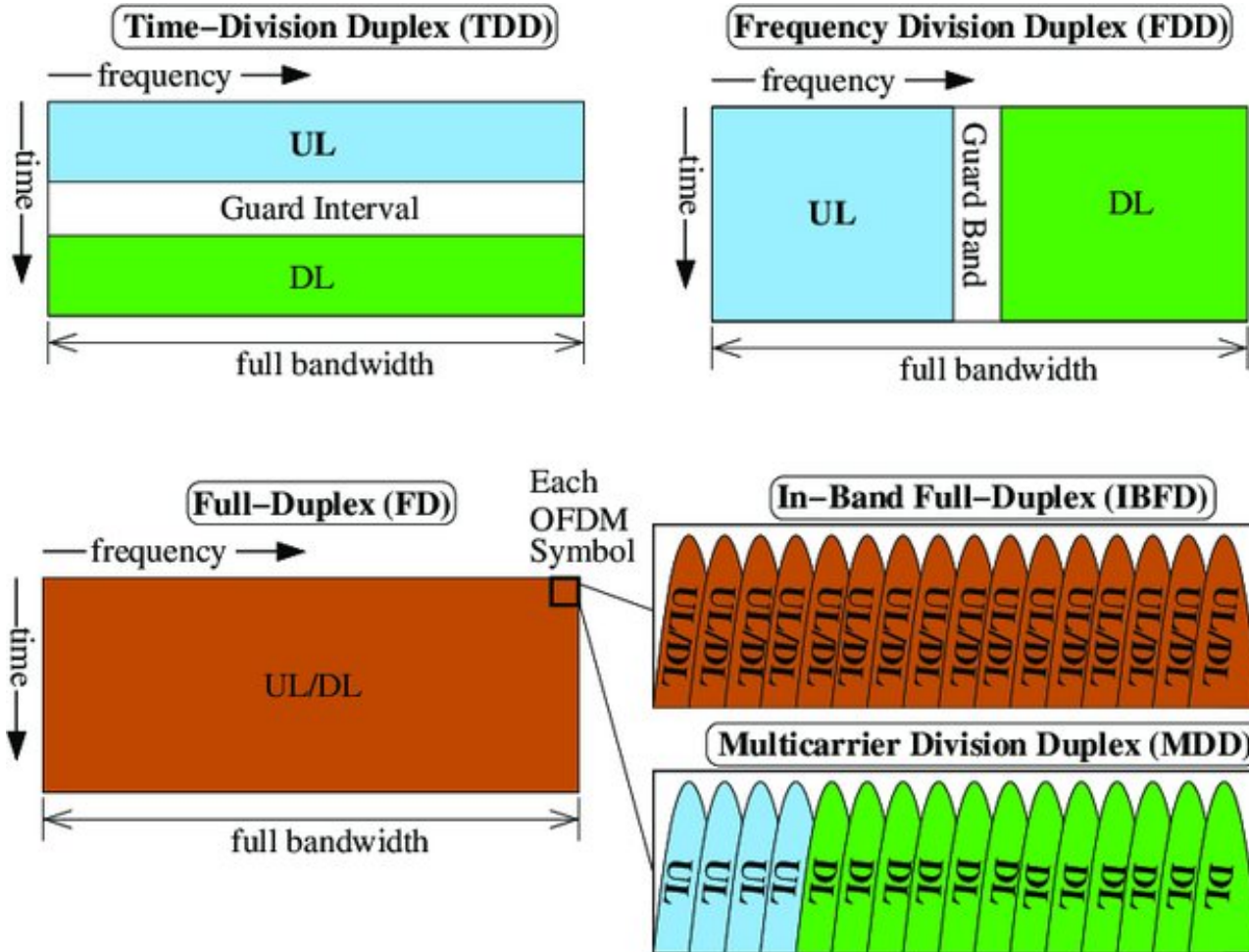
Super Frames

CSMA/CA is mandatory in CAP
- Access is not guaranteed

CSMA/CA is not allowed within CFP
- Access is guaranteed
- Good for low-latency applications



Full-duplex: TDD/FDD/IBFD/MDD



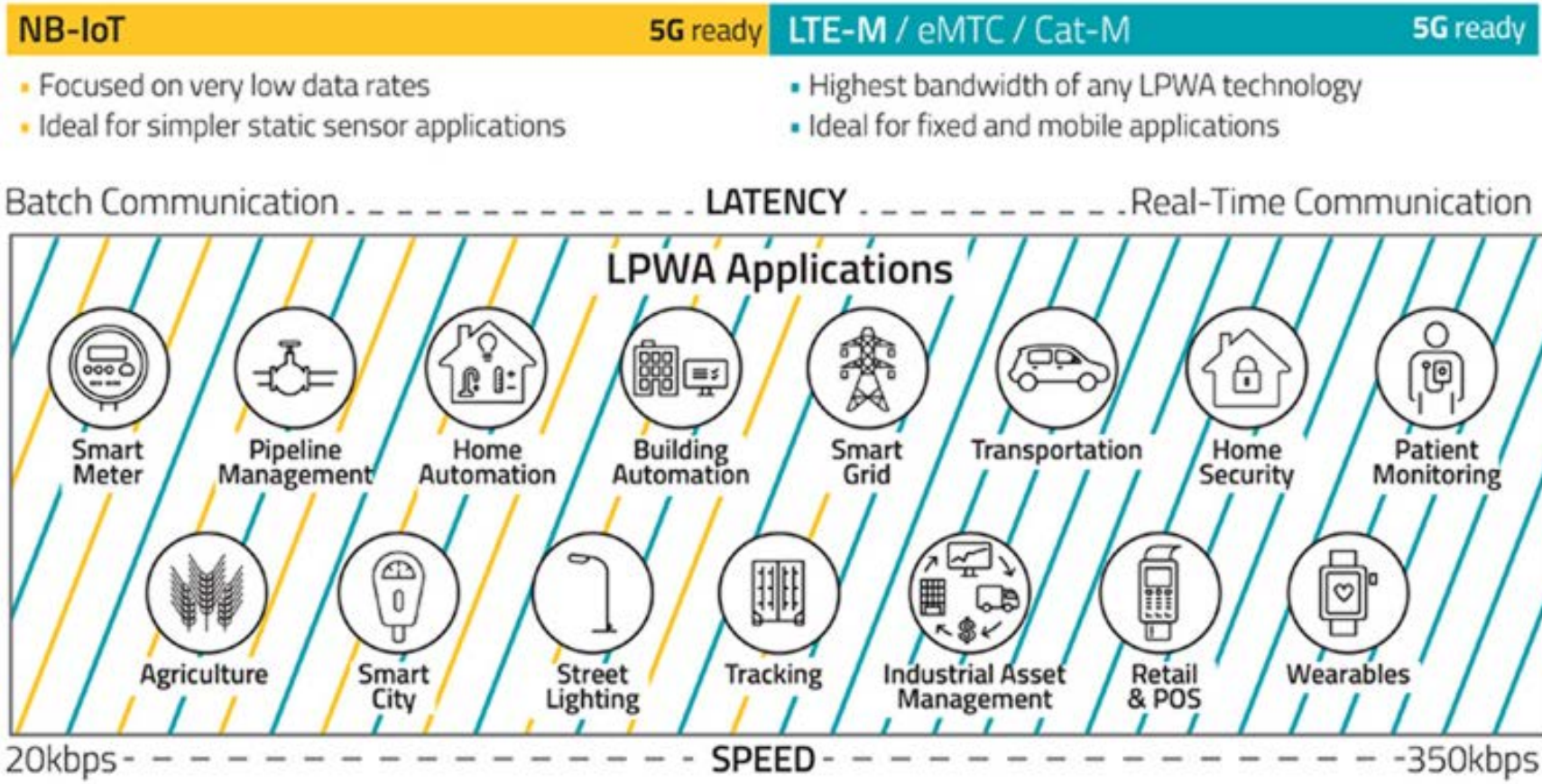
Short Range Communications Comparison

Type	Range [m]	Data rate [Mb/s]	No. of devices	Latency [ms]	Channel Access method	Power consumption	Frequency band
BLE	100	2	No limit	6	FHSS, duty cycle	Low	2.4 GHz
6LoWPAN	200	0.2	100	1000-2000	CSMA/CA, time slotting, duty cycle	Low	< 1 GHz, 2.4 GHz
Wi-Fi	10 – 1000	347 (11ah) – 7000 (11ad)	8191 (11ah)	Even <1	CSMA/CA, partially scheduled access (e.g., OFDMA in 802.11ax)	High to low	<1GHz, 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz, 60 GHz

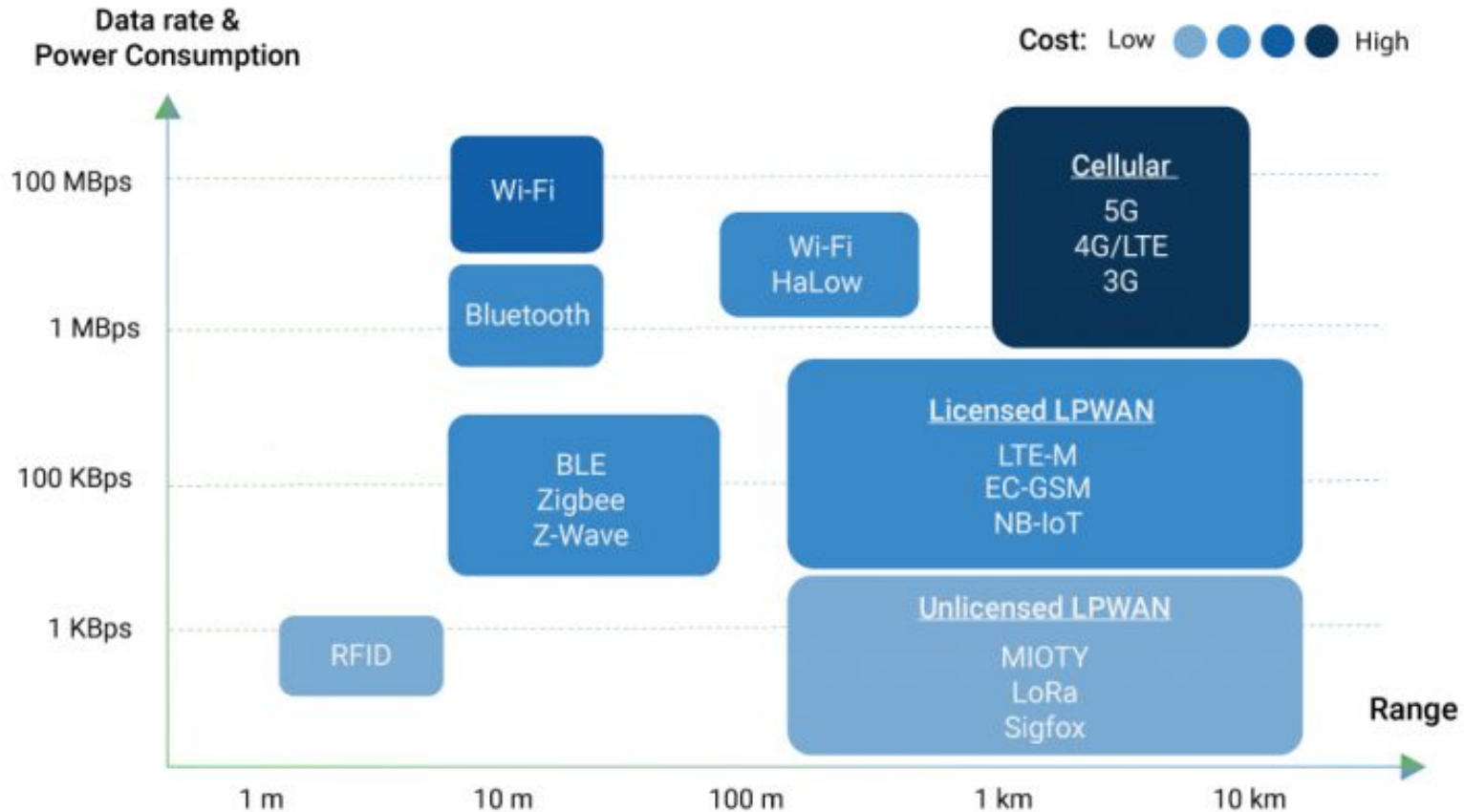
Long Range Communications Comparison

Type	Range [km]	Data rate [Mb/s]	No. of devices	Lat. [s]	MAC	Power consumption	Freq. band
LoRaWAN	15	0.05	1 M (UL), 100 K (DL)	1-10	Duty cycle, channel hopping	Medium	433/780/ 868/915 MHz
SigFox	50	0.1	1 M	1-30	Duty cycle, channel hopping	Medium	868/902 MHz
NB-IoT	15	0.25	> 50 K	2-10	SC-FDMA (UL), OFDMA (DL)	High	Licensed, mostly <1 GHz
LTE-M	15	1	> 50 K	2-10	SC-FDMA (UL), OFDMA (DL)	High	Licensed, mostly <1 GHz

NB-IoT vs LTE-M



Wireless IoT Technologies

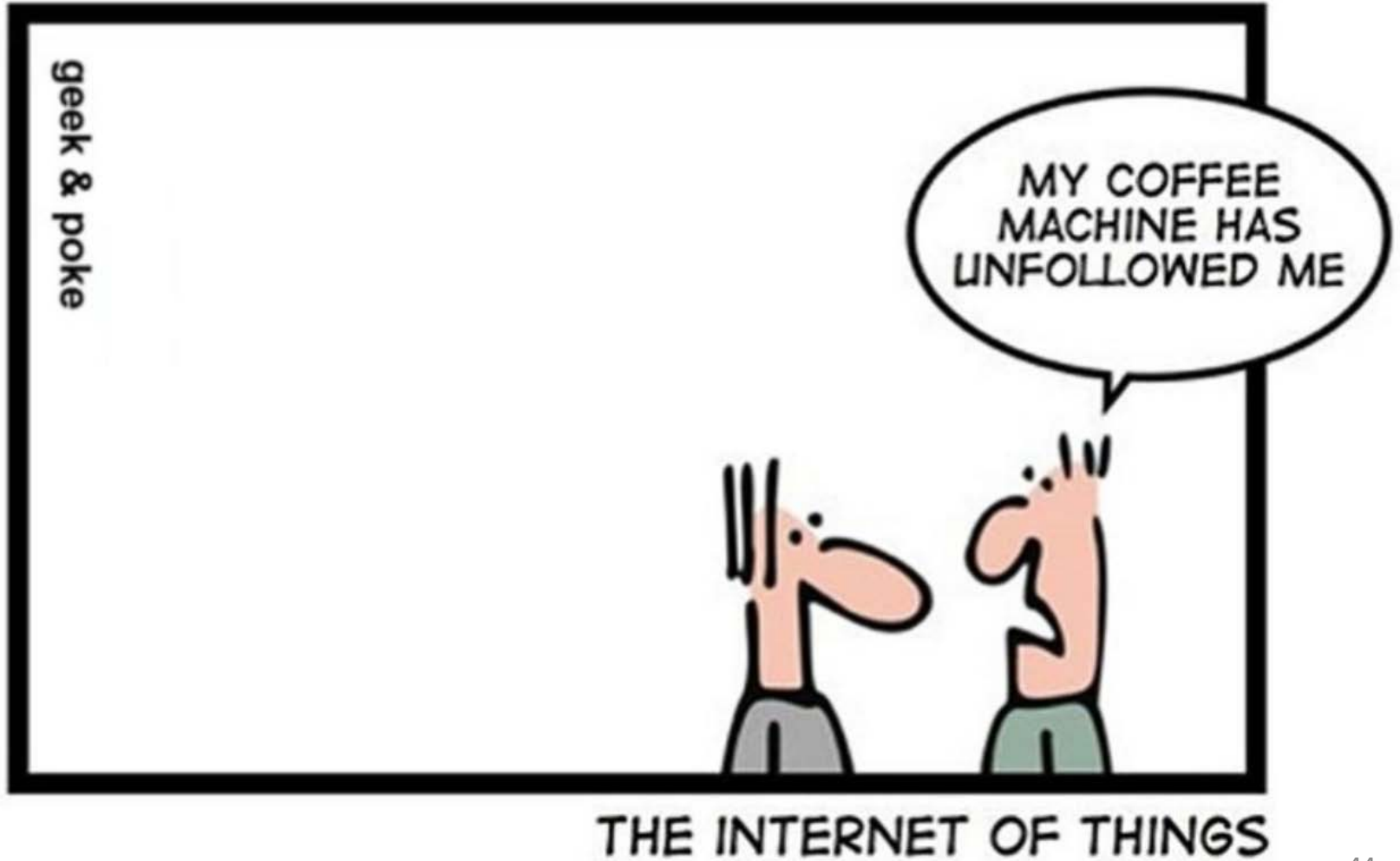


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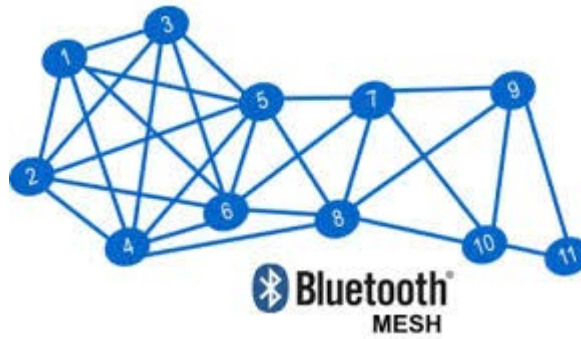
Key IoT Verticals	LPWAN (Star)	Cellular (Star)	Zigbee (Mostly Mesh)	BLE (Star & Mesh)	Wi-Fi (Star & Mesh)	RFID (Point-to-point)
Industrial IoT	●	○	○			
Smart Meter	●					
Smart City	●					
Smart Building	●		○	○		
Smart Home			●	●	●	
Wearables	○			●		
Connected Car					○	
Connected Health		●		●		
Smart Retail		○		●	○	●
Logistics & Asset Tracking	○	●				●
Smart Agriculture	●					

● Highly applicable ○ Moderately applicable

Questions?



- Dodatkowe informacje do wykładu

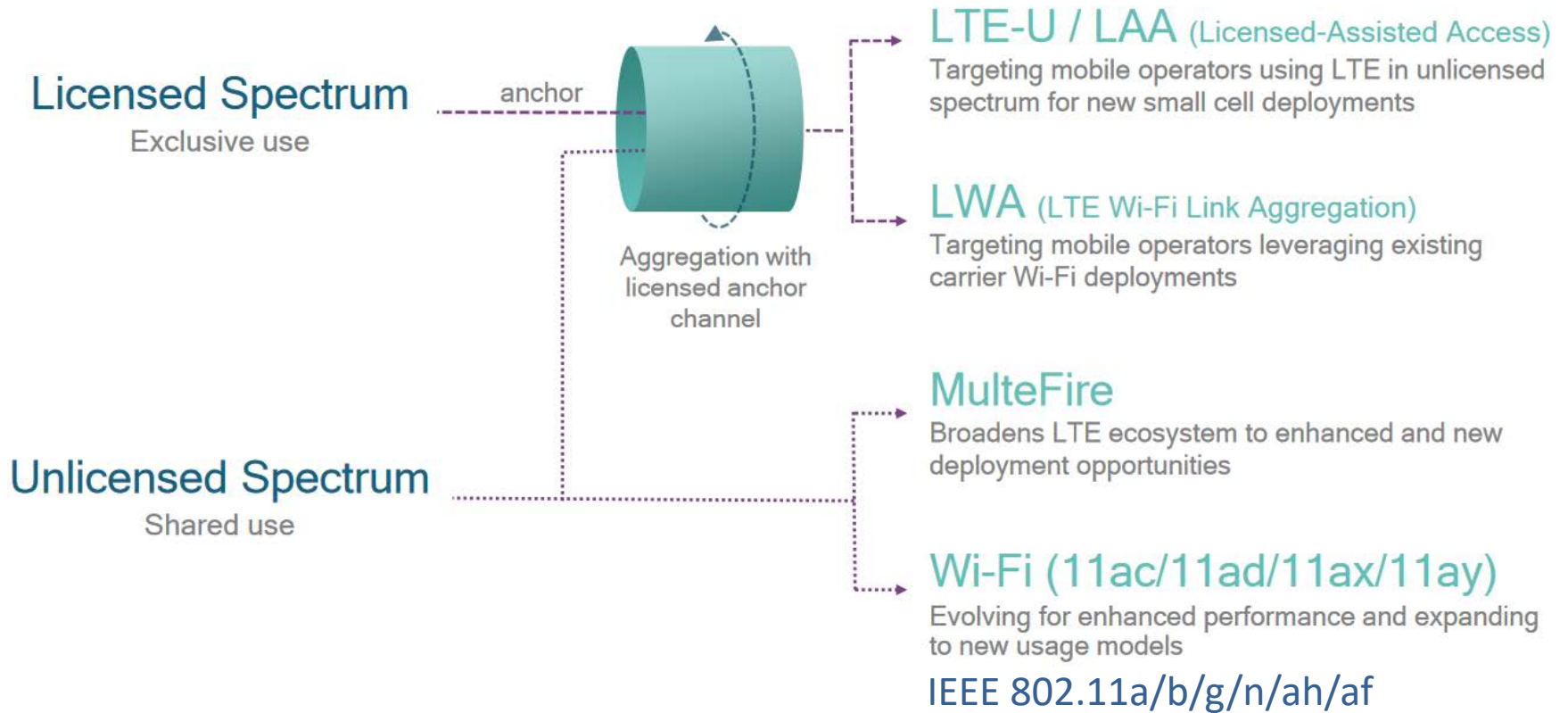


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SHORT RANGE COMMUNICATIONS

Unlicensed Band Co-Existence



IEEE 802.11 (WiFi)



- Unlicensed band (<1 GHz, 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz, 60 GHz)
 - 1 MHz (802.11ah) - 2.16 GHz (802.11ad) channel widths
- Max data rates: 347 Mb/s (11ah) - 7 Gb/s (11ad)
- Range: 10 m (11ad) - 1 km (11ah)
- Topology
 - Infrastructure, ad-hoc, mesh
 - Star, tree (802.11h)
- PHY
 - OFDM, BPSK, QPSK, QAM, OFDMA, MIMO, MU-MIMO, beamforming
- MAC: CSMA/CA, random backoff, CCA, scheduled channel access
- Power consumption: high (legacy) – low (802.11ah)
- Security: WPA2 Personal/Enterprise: Preshared Key/802.1X + AES (802.11i) oraz WPA3 Personal/Enterprise: Simultaneous Authentication of Equals/ WPA3-Commercial National Security Agency

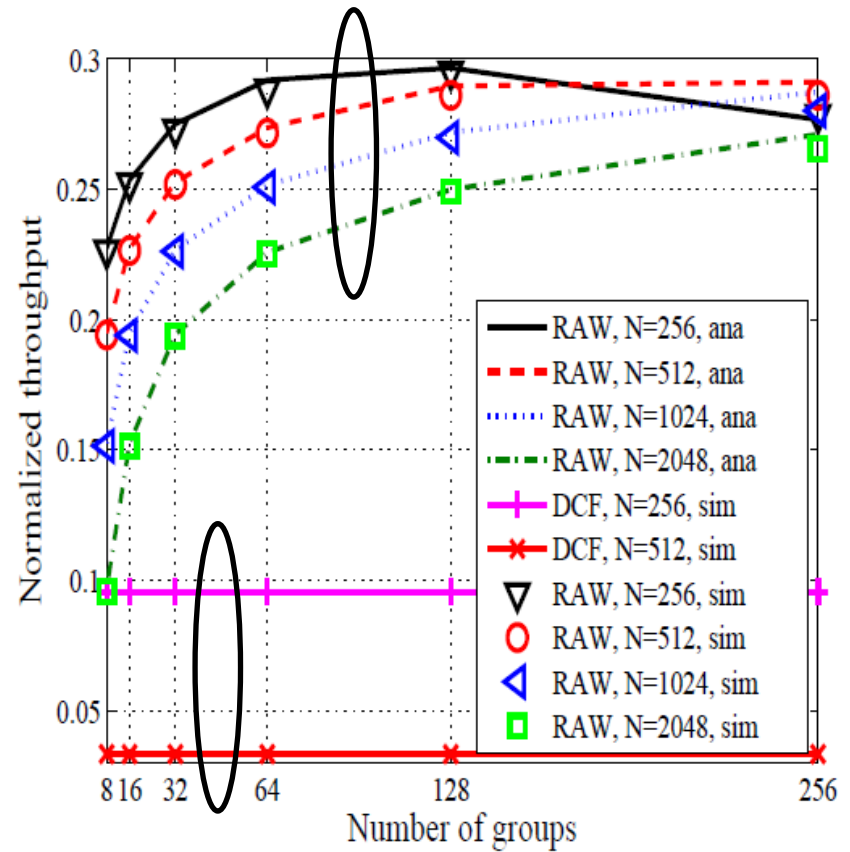


IEEE 802.11ah > 8000 STAs

- Short MAC headers (36 B -> 14 B), short beacons
- **Bi-directional TXOP**
 - UL/DL transmissions
- Sectorization: **beamforming**
- **Relay access points**
- Station types
 - **TIM** (periodically receive information from AP)
 - **non-TIM** (use TWT, manage to keep a long sleep mode)
- Target wake time (TWT)
 - AP schedules channel access for STAs
- **Fast association mechanism**
- **Restricted access window (RAW)**
 - Channel access only for a group of stations

Restricted Access Window

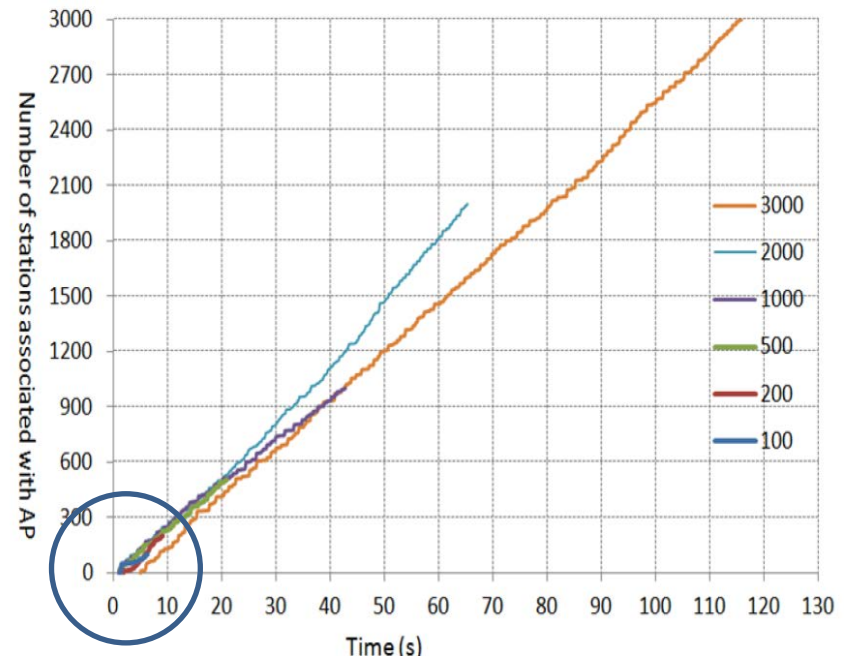
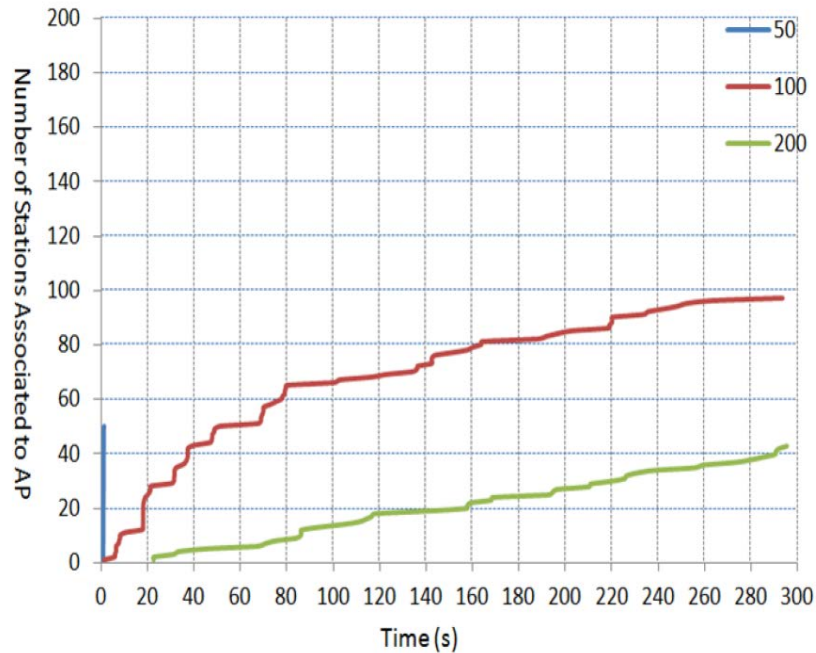
- Goal: reducing the contention
 - Stations divided into groups
 - Channel splitted into slots
 - Each slot is assigned to a group
- TDMA vs CSMA/CA



Fast Station Association

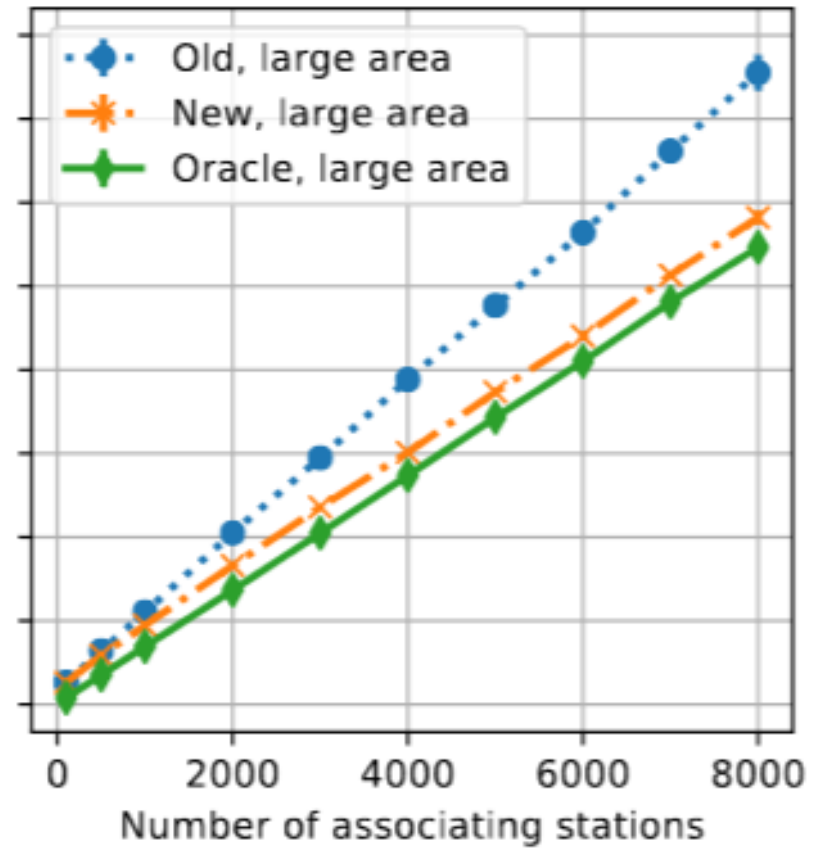
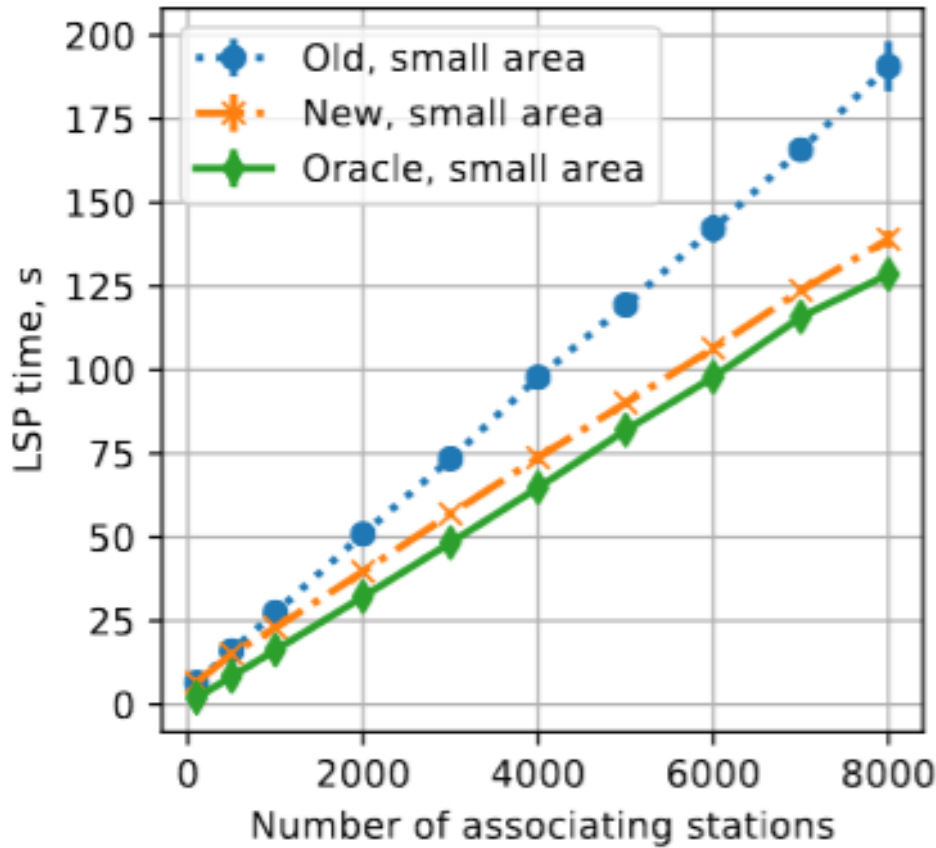
- RAW does not eliminate contention at network initialization
- Example
 - 5000 STAs try to associate with the AP
 - Result: collisions, long association time
- Solution
 - Association of a fraction of STAs in each beacon interval

Time of Association, w/o FSA vs w/ FSA



Less than 10 sec!

OLD vs NEW

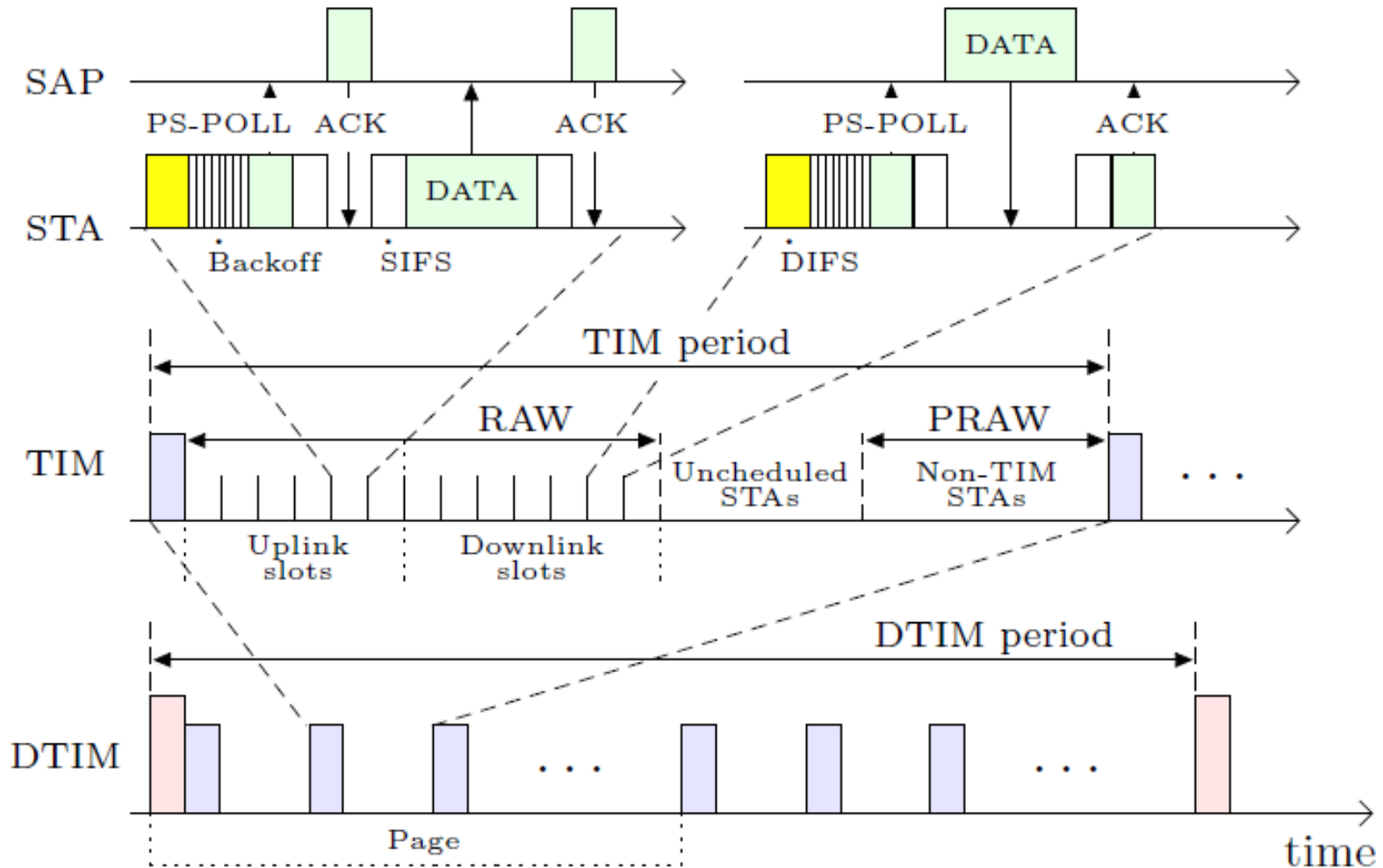


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New: Super Fast Link Set-up in Wi-Fi HaLow Networks

IEEE 802.11ah

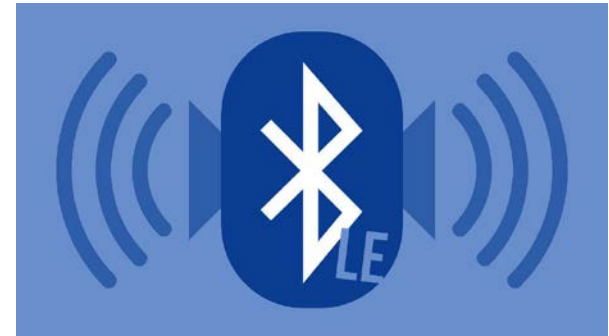
Delivery TIM (DTIM)



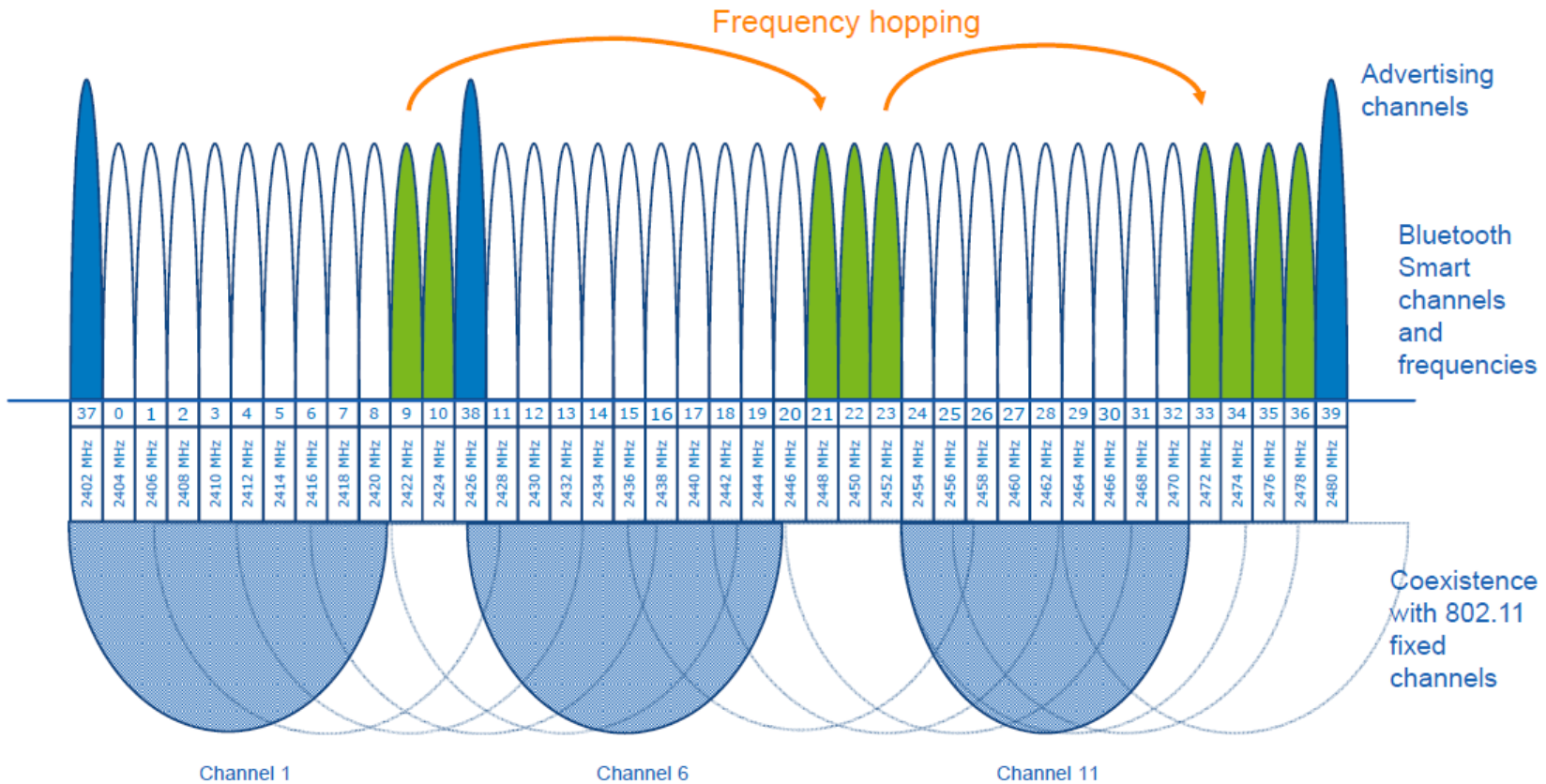
Bluetooth Low Energy/ Bluetooth Smart



- Unlicensed band (**2.4 GHz**)
 - **37 x 2 MHz data channels**
 - **3 x 2 MHz advertising channels**
- Max data rate: **2 Mb/s**
- Range: **100 m**
- Topology: WPAN, P2P, broadcast, mesh
- **PHY: FHSS (narrowband interference reduction), GFSK**
- **MAC: TDMA, FDMA, low duty cycle (<5 ms)**
- Power consumption: low
- Security: 128-bit AES encryption
- **Applications:** PC peripherals, remotes, healthcare, beaconing
- Availability: high (~90% of smartphones)
- **Not backward compatible with Bluetooth**
- **Bluetooth LE audio available from 2020**



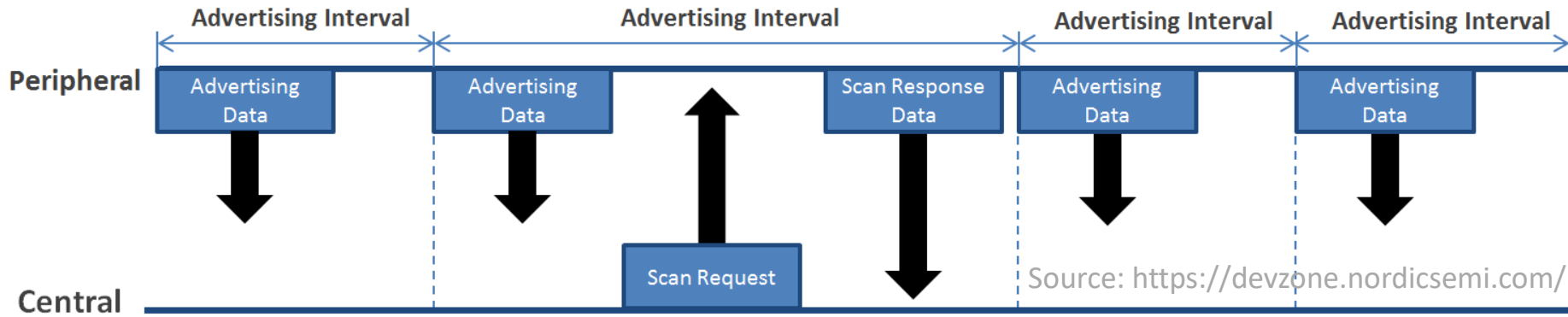
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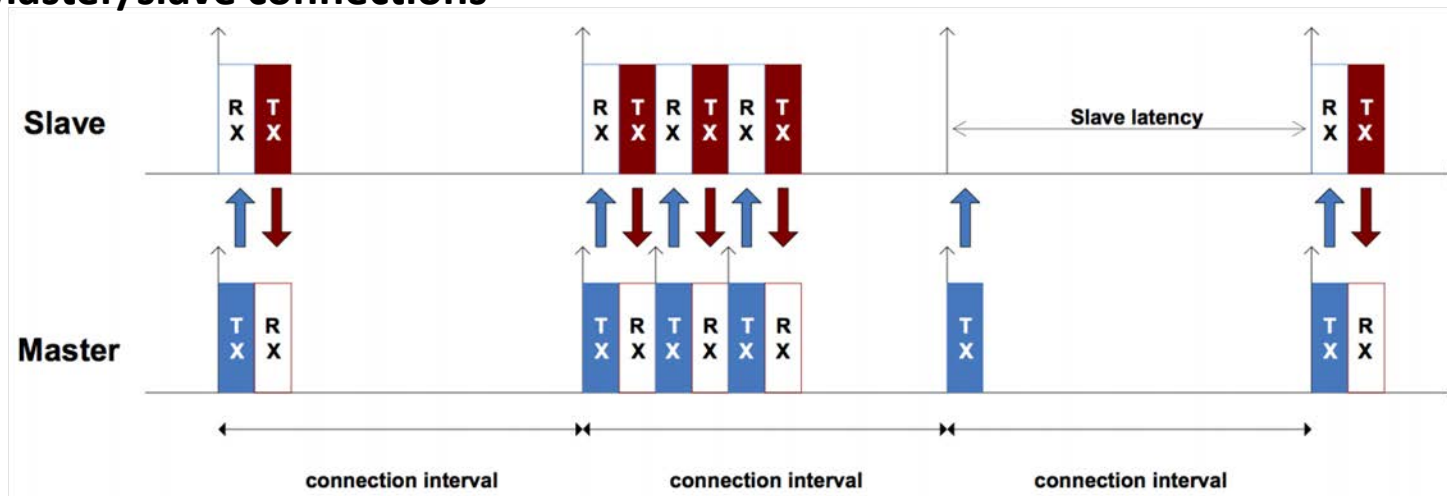
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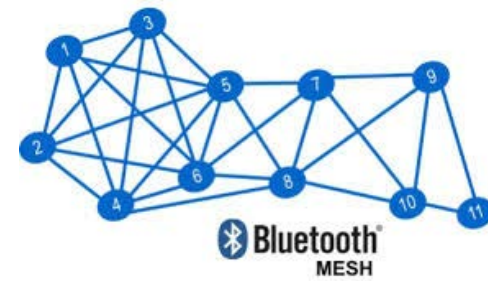
Broadcasting



Master/slave connections



Bluetooth MESH



- Unlicensed band (**2.4 GHz**)
- Operates on Bluetooth Low Energy
- Power consumption: low, need to wake up once every four days
- Capacity: up to **32,000 nodes**
- Applications
 - Building automation, sensor network, asset tracking, IoT solutions with thousands of devices
 - NOT for audio streaming

SILVAIR

Krakowski start-up, <https://silvair.com>, platforma dla inteligentnego oświetlenia oparta na Bluetooth Mesh

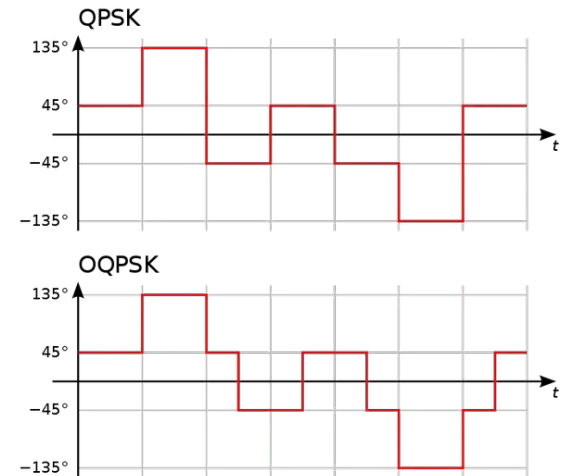
ZigBee (802.15.4-based)



ZigBee®

Control your world

- Unlicensed band (<1 GHz, 2.4 GHz)
 - 1 x 600 kHz channel (868-868.6 MHz)
 - 10 x 2 MHz channels (902-928 MHz)
 - 15 x 5 MHz channels (2.4 GHz)
- Max data rate: **250 kb/s** (2.4 GHz)
- Range: **20 m**
- Topology: star, mesh, tree
- **PHY: DSSS**, BPSK (<1 GHz), OQPSK (2.4 GHz)
- **MAC: CSMA/CA, slotted CSMA/CA, duty cycle**
- Security: AES-128 encryption
- Power consumption: medium
- Application: home automation, smart metering, monitoring



ZigBee



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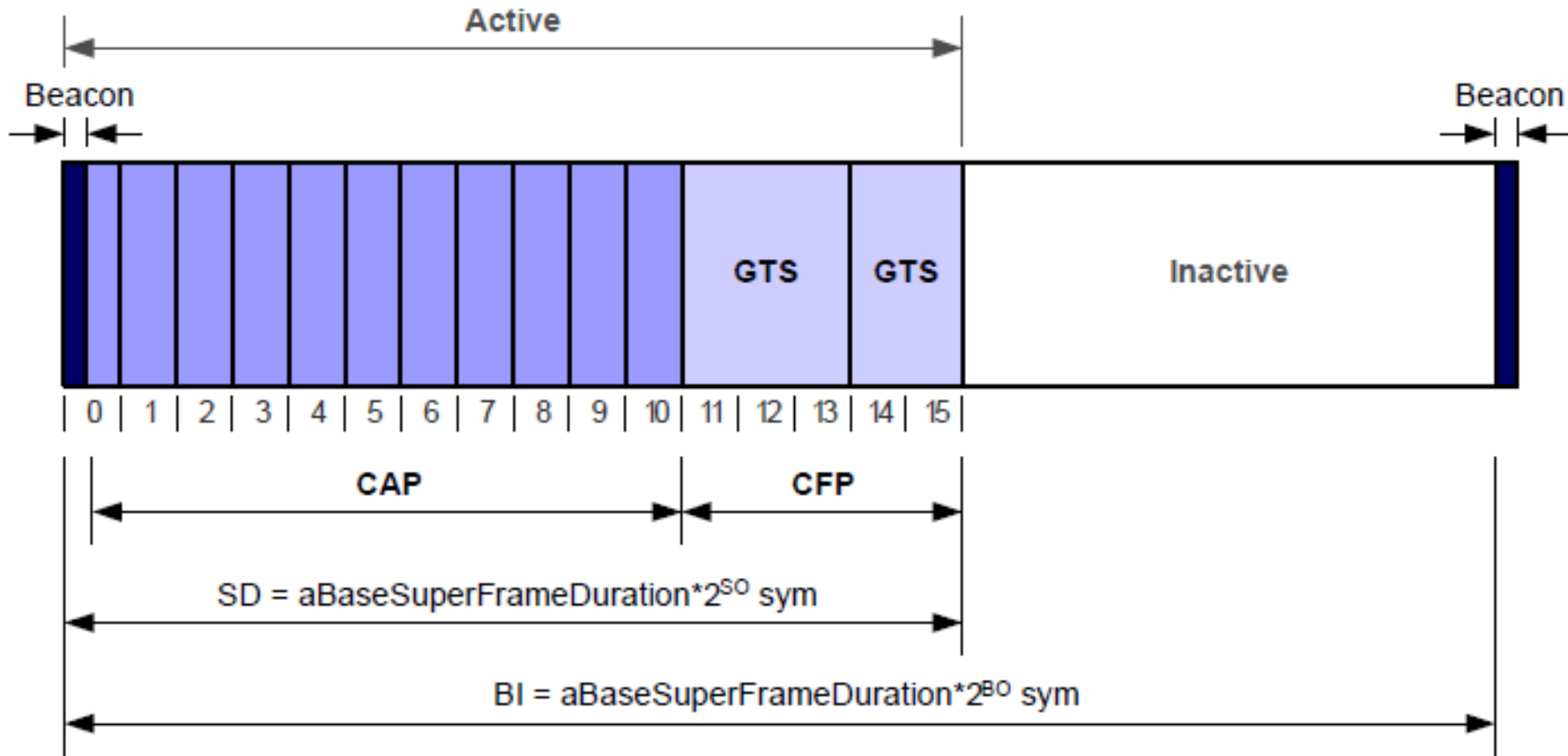
Control your world

- Device types
 - Coordinator (only 1), routers, end devices
- Network types
 - Beacon-enabled
 - Power saving, duty cycle (15.36 ms to 251.66 s @2.4 GHz)
 - Slotted CSMA/CA – superframe structure present
 - Non-beacon-enabled
 - Unslotted CSMA/CA – without superframe structure
- Ad hoc On-Demand Distance Vector (AODV) Routing (RFC 3561)

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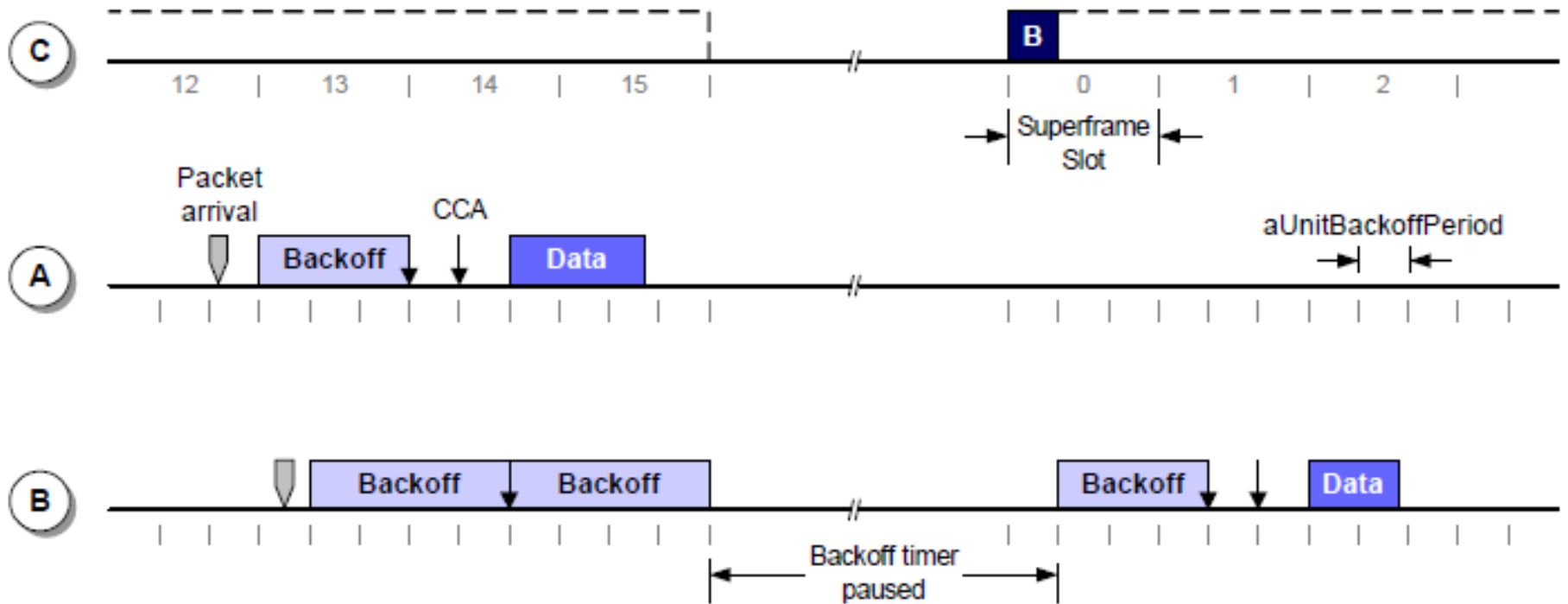
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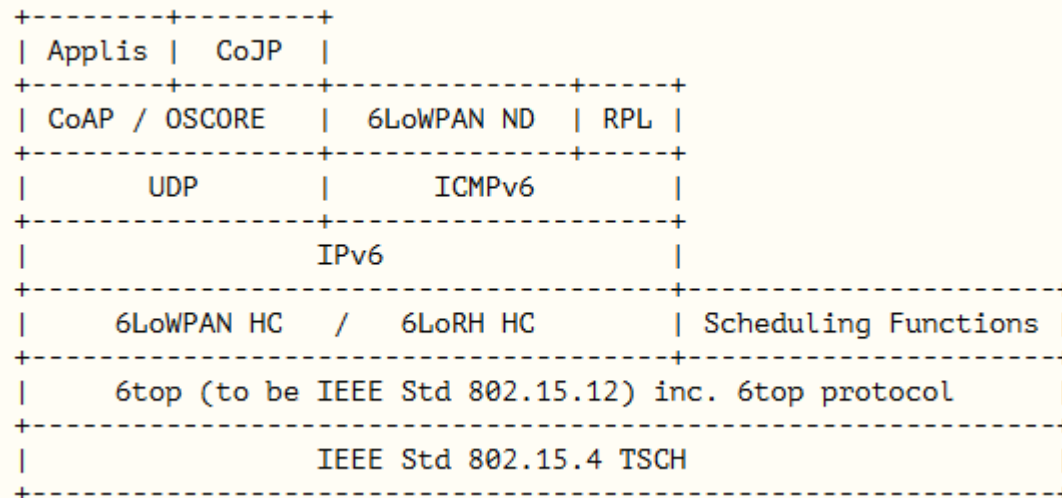
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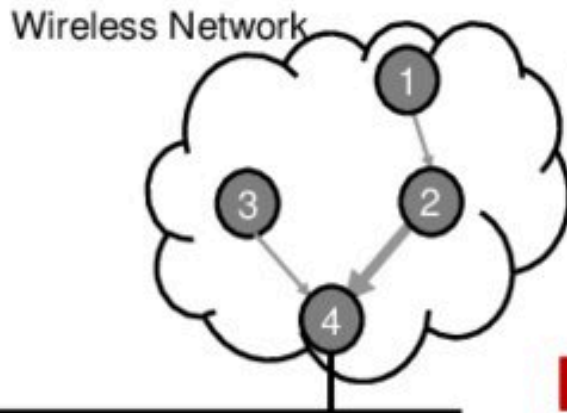
6TiSCH

- Timeslotted Channel Hopping (TSCH) added to IEEE 802.15.4 (2012)
 - Industrial automation
 - Process control
- IPv6 over TSCH (6TiSH)
 - Adoption of IPv6 in industrial standards

6TiSCH Protocol Stack

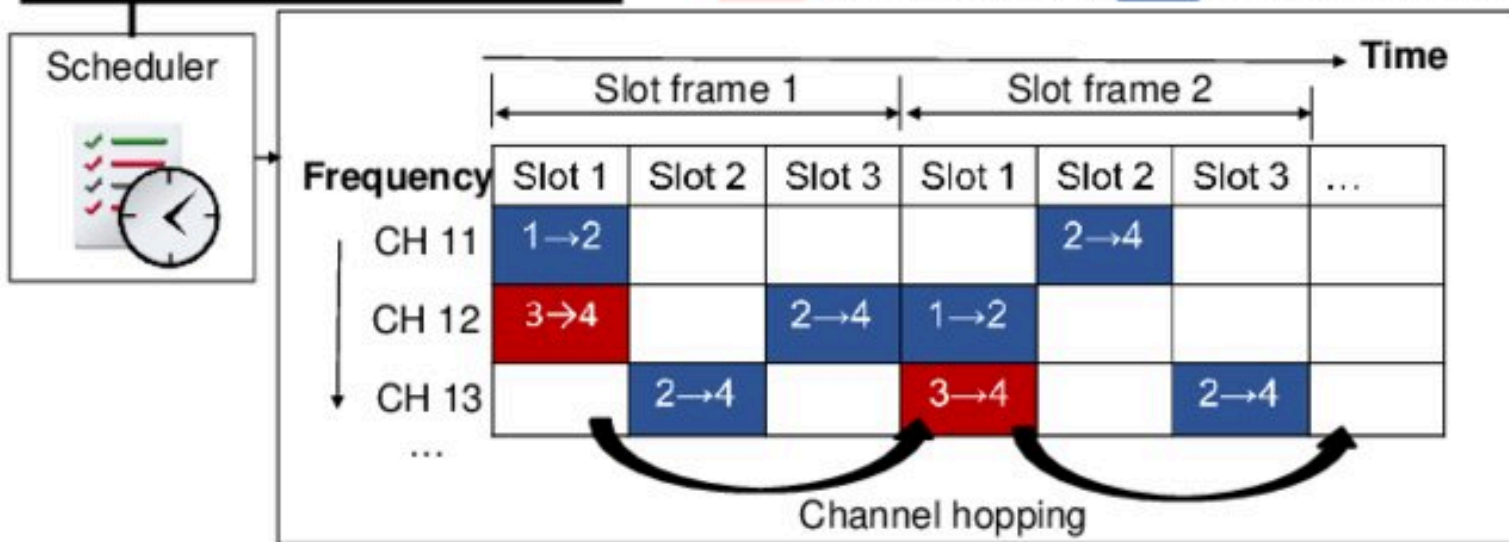


Deterministic 6TiSCH Schedule



- ❖ 1→2 and 3→4 are non-conflicting links, both can be assigned in the same timeslot. Different or the same channel could be used depending on whether they are interfering with each other or not.
- ❖ 1→2 and 2→4 are conflicted at Node 2, therefore assigned with different timeslots.

Channel offset 1 Channel offset 2



6LoWPAN

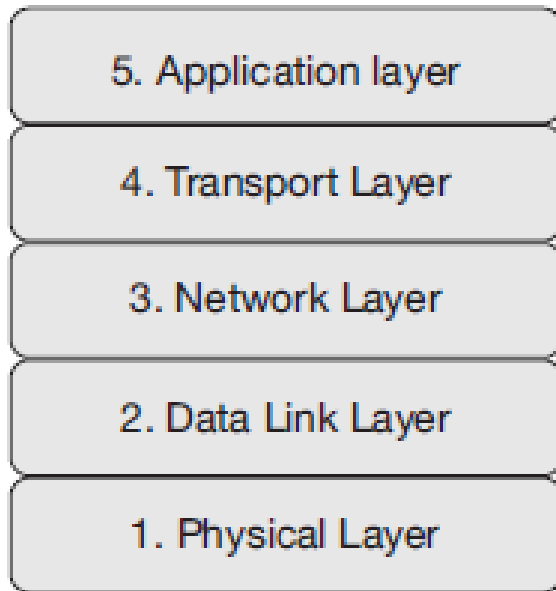


- Unlicensed band (< **1 GHz, 2.4 GHz**)
- Data rates: **256 kb/s**
- Range: **200 m**
- Topology: star/mesh, ad-hoc configuration
- **PHY: like IEEE 802.15.4**
- **MAC: like IEEE 802.15.4**
- Security: AES-128
- Power consumption: low
- Application: monitoring, automation, security

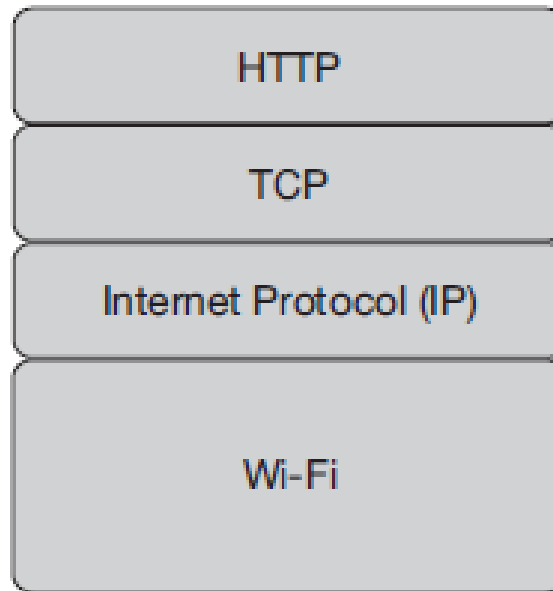
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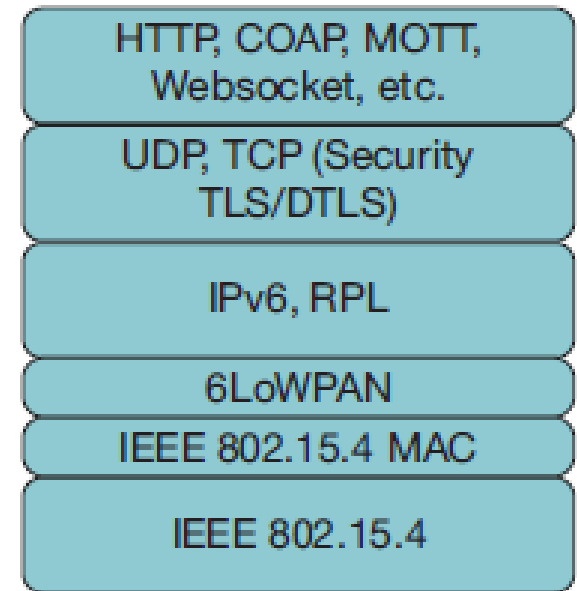
Simplified OSI model



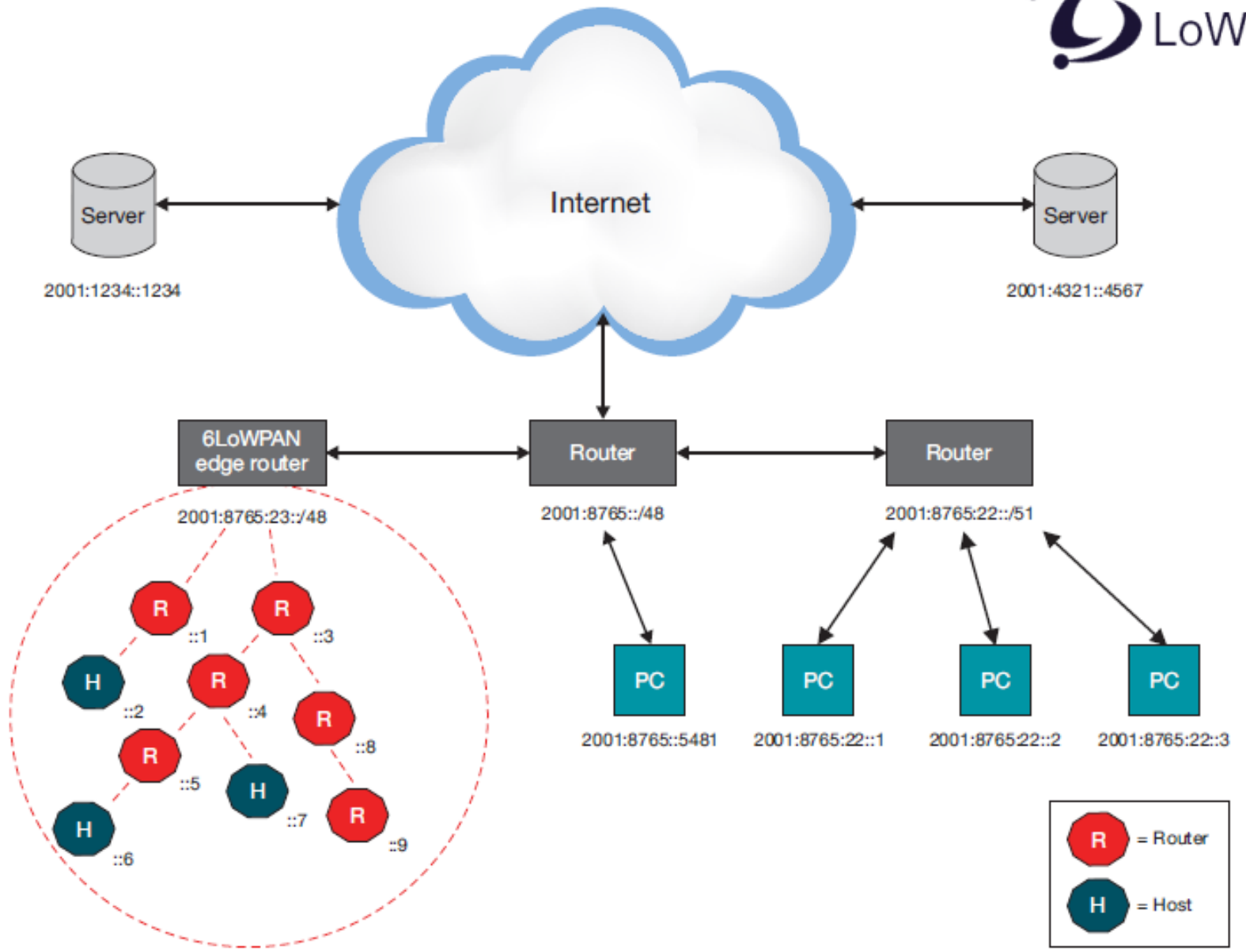
Wi-Fi® stack example



6LoWPAN stack example



IPv6 network with a 6LoWPAN mesh network



6LoWPAN



- IPv4 limitations
 - 32-bit addresses
 - 4,294,967,296 unique addresses
- IPv6 advantages
 - 128-bit addresses
 - $3.4 * 10^{38}$ unique addresses
 - $50 * 10^9$ IoT devices by 2020
 - Minimum MTU 1280 B
- 802.15.4 constraints
 - 127 B packets, limited memory, multi-hop connections

6LoWPAN



- Header compression
 - 40-byte IPv6 and 8-byte UDP headers way too big
 - **Within 6LoWPAN network: 2 B IPv6_H + 4 B UDP_H**
- Fragmentation and reassembly
 - 1280 B (IPv6) -> **127 B (802.15.4)**
 - Additional information in the header for reassembly
- Network auto-configuration
 - Neighbor discovery protocol
 - 128-bit address = 64-bit network prefix + 64-bit interface ID (IID)
 - IID typically from MAC address

MulteFire Evolution

- MulteFire 1.0
 - Based on LAA/eLAA
 - 5 GHz Band
 - Goal: new application scenarios
- MulteFire 1.1
 - Based on eMTC/NB-IoT
 - Which currently used licensed bands...
 - Band: 2.4 GHz (eMTC), 800/900 MHz (NB-IoT)
 - Goal: IoT support in unlicensed bands

Short Range Communications Comparison

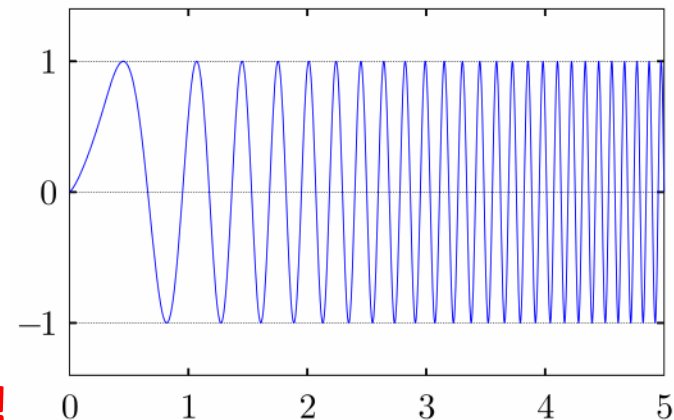
Type	Range [m]	Data rate [Mb/s]	No. of devices	Latency [ms]	Channel Access method	Power consumption	Frequency band
BLE	100	2	No limit	6	FHSS, duty cycle	Low	2.4 GHz
6LoWPAN	200	0.2	100	1000-2000	CSMA/CA, time slotting, duty cycle	Low	< 1 GHz, 2.4 GHz
Wi-Fi	10 – 1000	347 (11ah) – 7000 (11ad)	8191 (11ah)	Even <1	CSMA/CA, partially scheduled access (e.g., OFDMA in 802.11ax)	High to low	<1GHz, 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz, 60 GHz



LONG RANGE COMMUNICATIONS

LoRaWAN

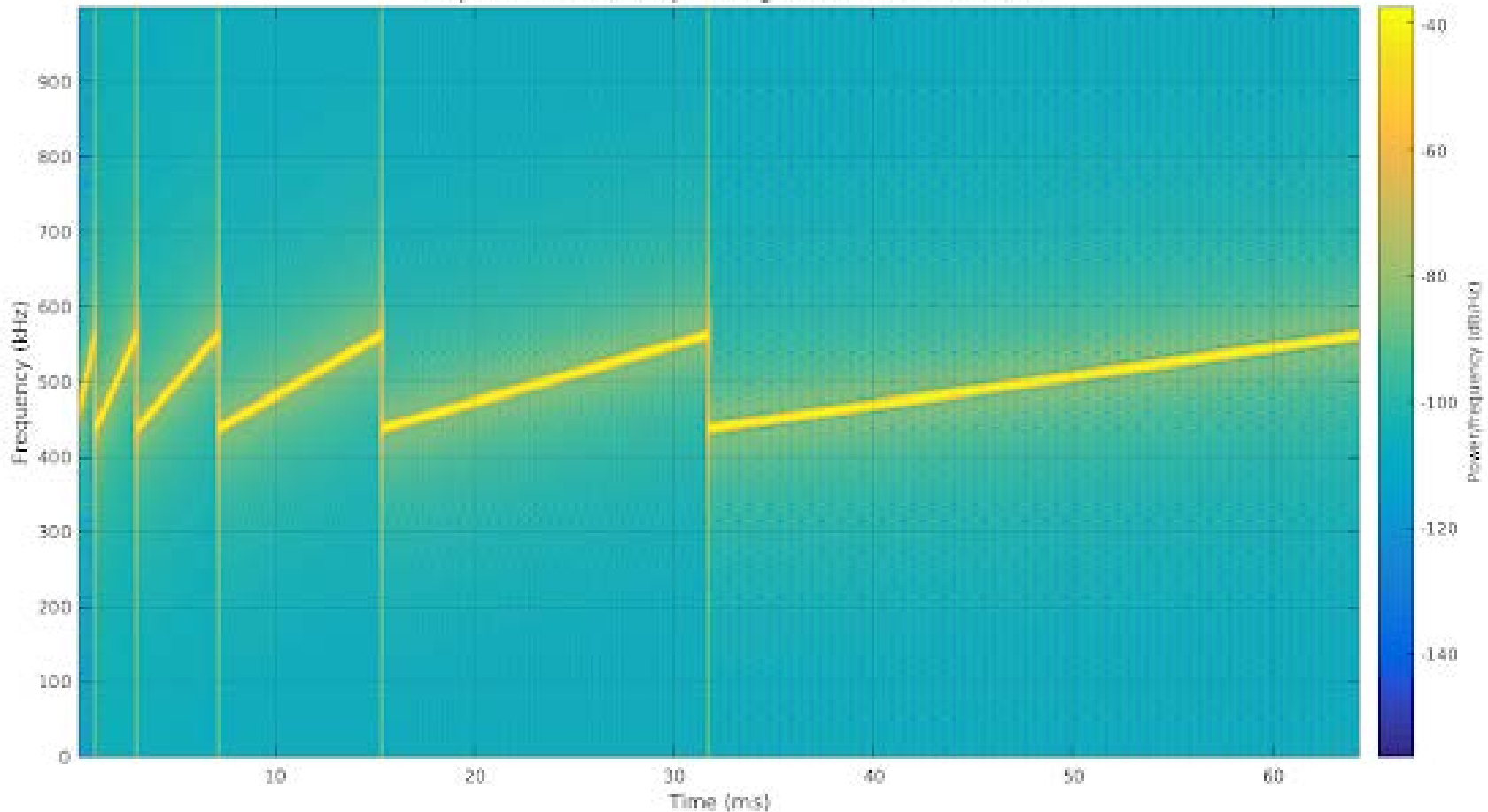
- Unlicensed band (433/868/780/915 MHz)
 - 6 channels of 125 kHz
 - 1 channel of 250 kHz
- Max data rate: 50 kbit/s
- Range: 15 km
- Packet capacity: 12 bytes (!)
- Topology: star on star, star (cellular WAN)
- PHY: LoRa, Chirp Spread Spectrum
- MAC: duty cycle, channel hopping, **no CCA!**
- Power consumption: medium
- Security: 2x128-bit AES session keys (ASK)
 - Network ASK for identification/message integrity protection
 - Application ASK for encryption
- Applications: monitoring/metering, intelligent home/city, healthcare, agriculture, industry, environment



LoRa – Spreading Factor Spectrogram

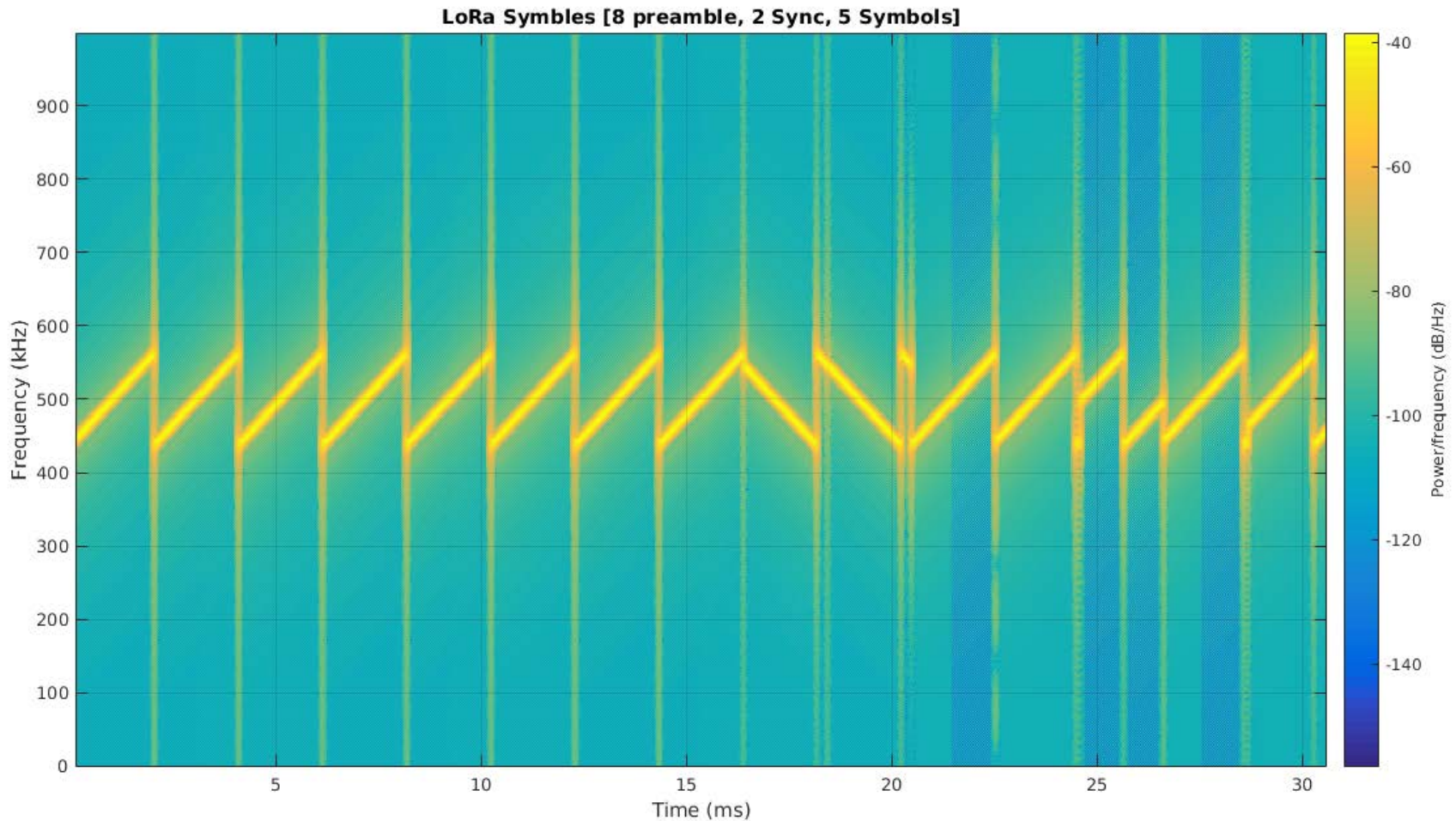


Comparison of LoRa Spreading Factors: SF 7 to SF 12

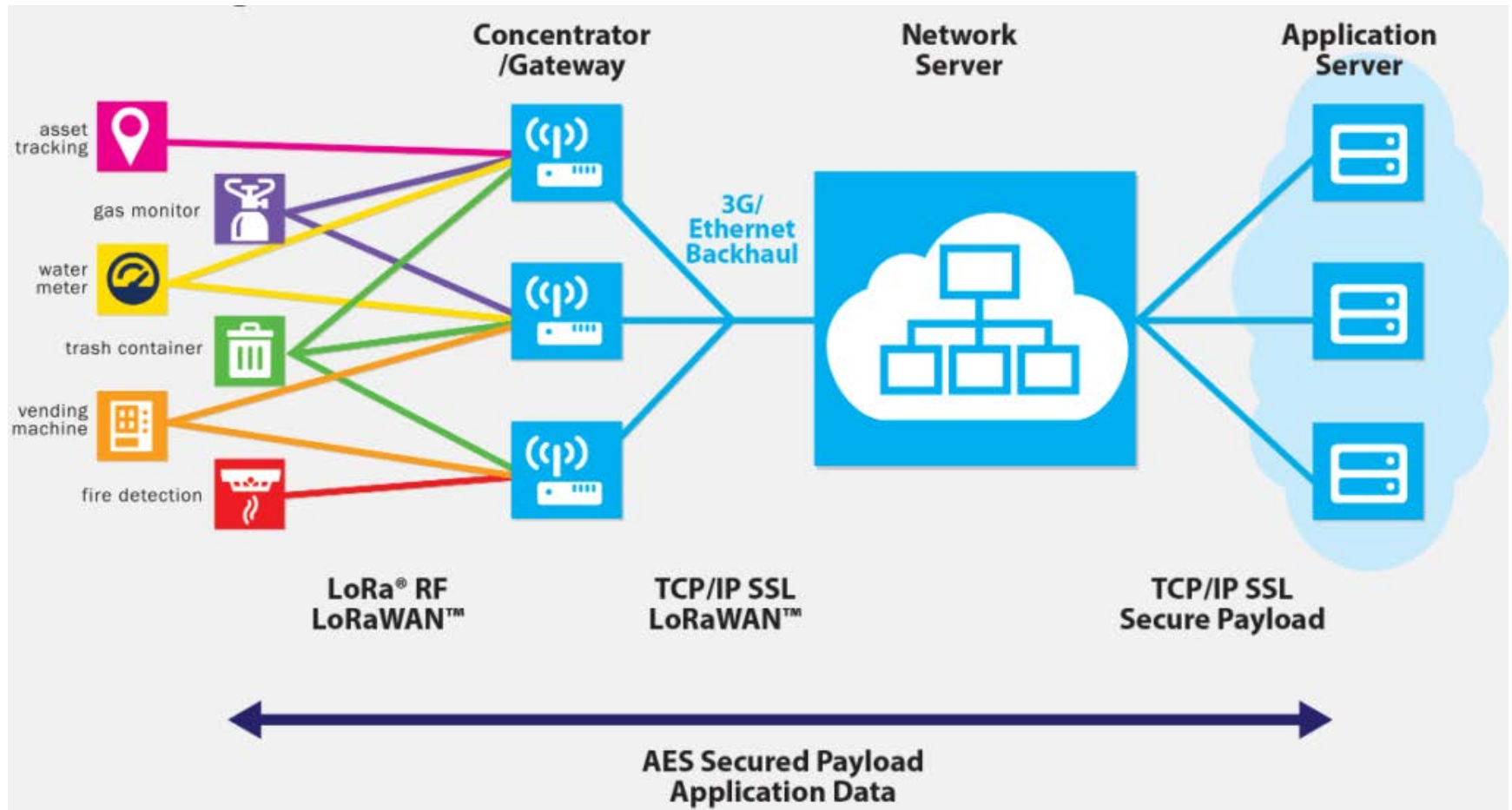


LoRa – CSS

PHY layer spectogram

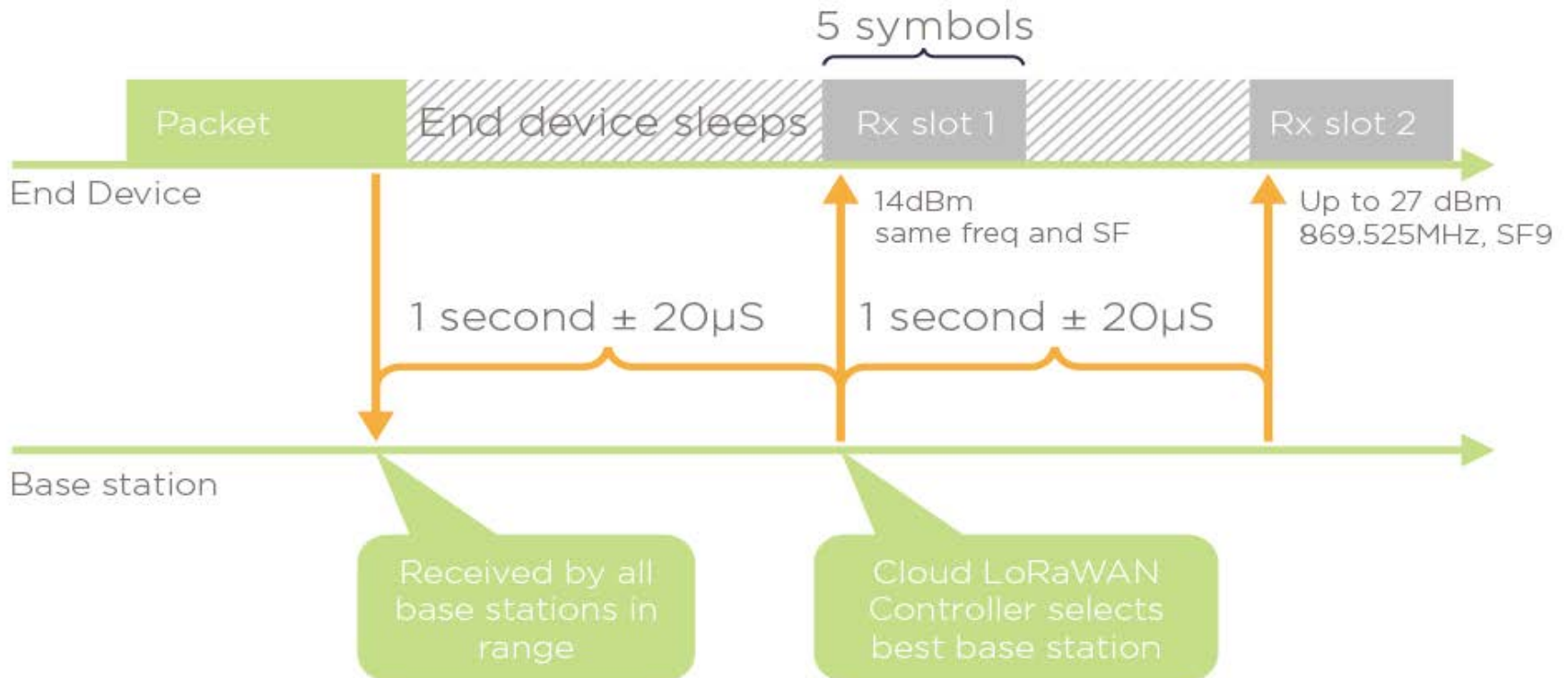


LoRa Network



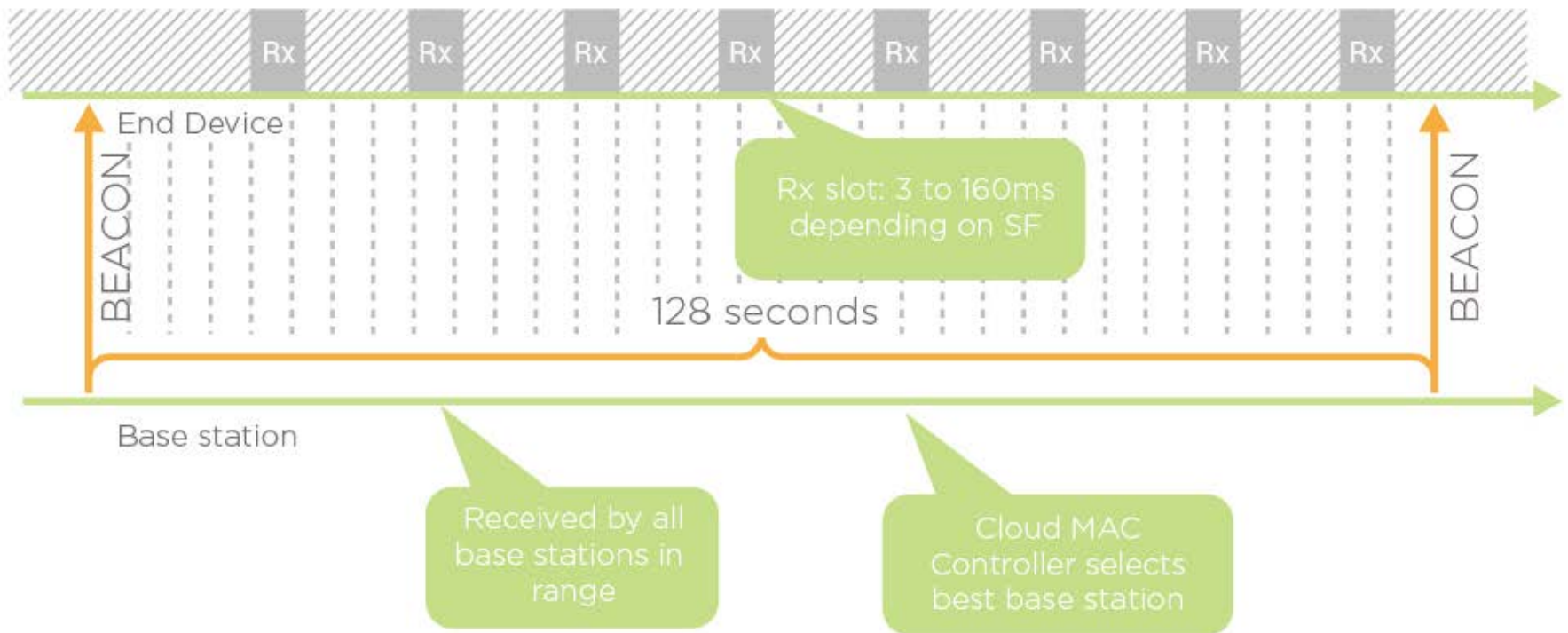
LoRaWAN – MAC

Class A Communications: 1xUL + 2xDL The most power efficient mode



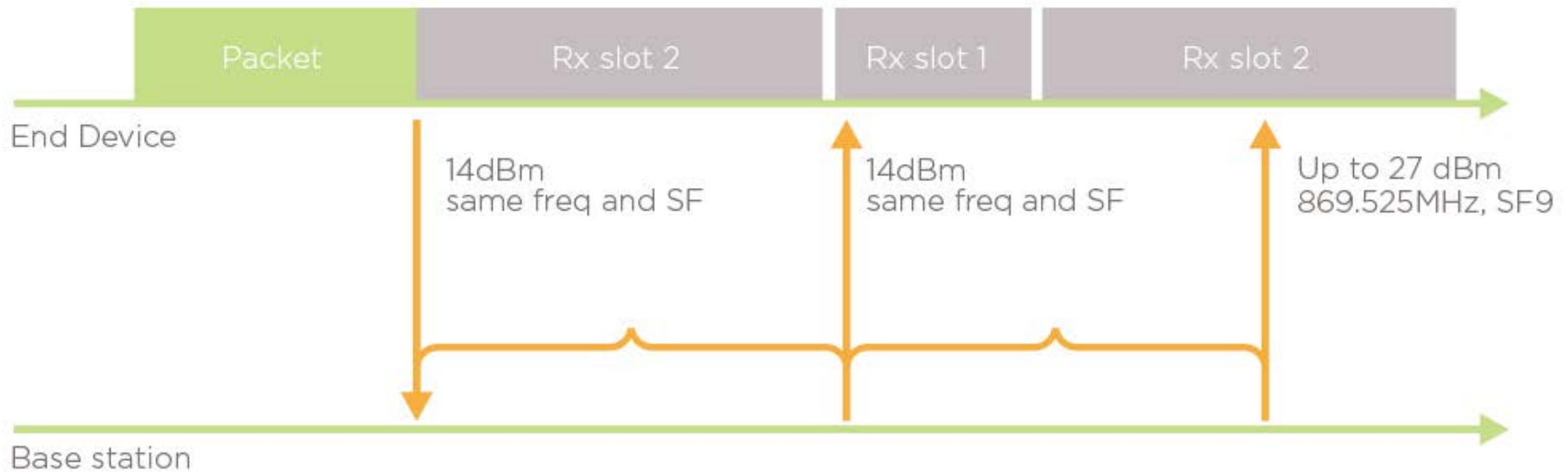
LoRaWAN – MAC

Class B Communications: DL slots



LoRaWAN – MAC

Class C Communications: 1xUL + Continuous DL



LoRa Summary

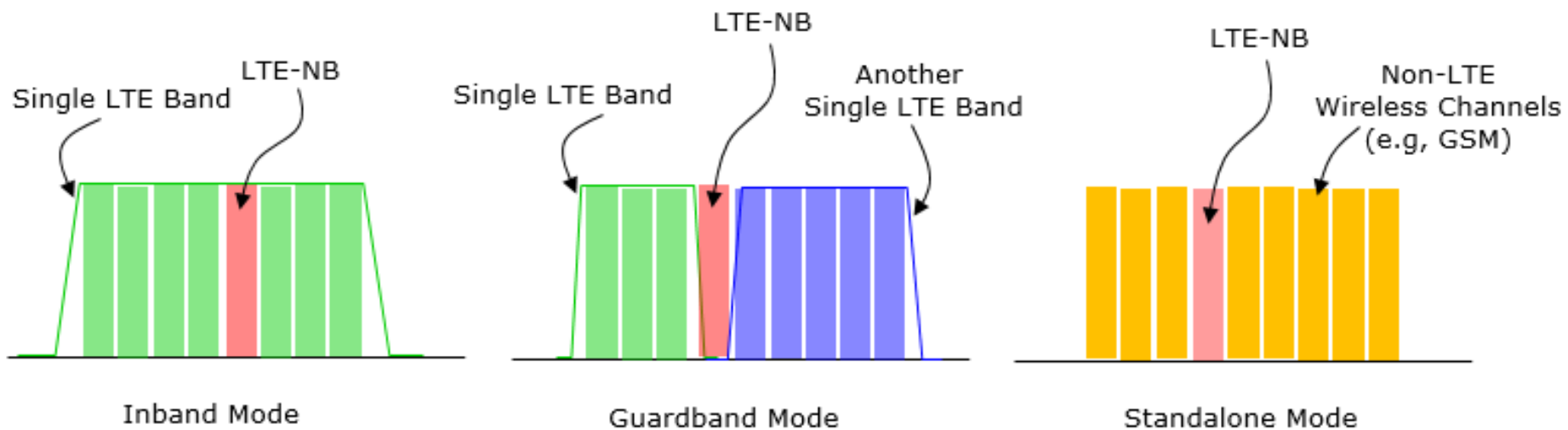
- Pros
 - Perfect for single-building applications
 - One can build their own network
 - Bi-directional transmissions
 - Long battery life
- Cons
 - Low data rates
 - Requires a gateway
 - Higher latency than, e.g., NB-IoT
 - 1% duty cycle for the used unlicensed band (Europe)
- [Saelens, Martijn, et al. "Impact of EU duty cycle and transmission power limitations for sub-GHz LPWAN SRDs: an overview and future challenges." EURASIP Journal on Wireless Communications and Networking 2019](#)



LTE (Narrow Band-IoT, NB-IoT)

- Licensed band (**cellular, mostly < 1 GHz**)
 - **1 x 180 kHz channel**
- **Max data rate: 250 kb/s**
- Range: **15 km**
- Topology: star (cellular WAN)
- **PHY: FDD, no MIMO**
- **Multiple access protocol**
 - **SC-FDMA (UL)**
 - **OFDMA (DL)**
- Power consumption: high
- Security: cellular quality
- Applications: metering, building/home automation, smart city, agriculture, tracking

NB-IoT



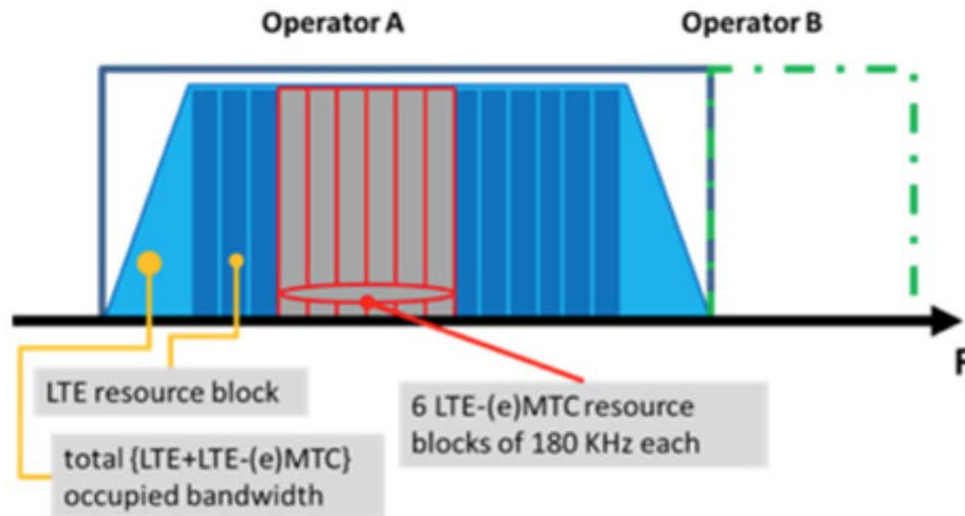
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LTE-M (Enhanced Machine-Type Communications, eMTC)



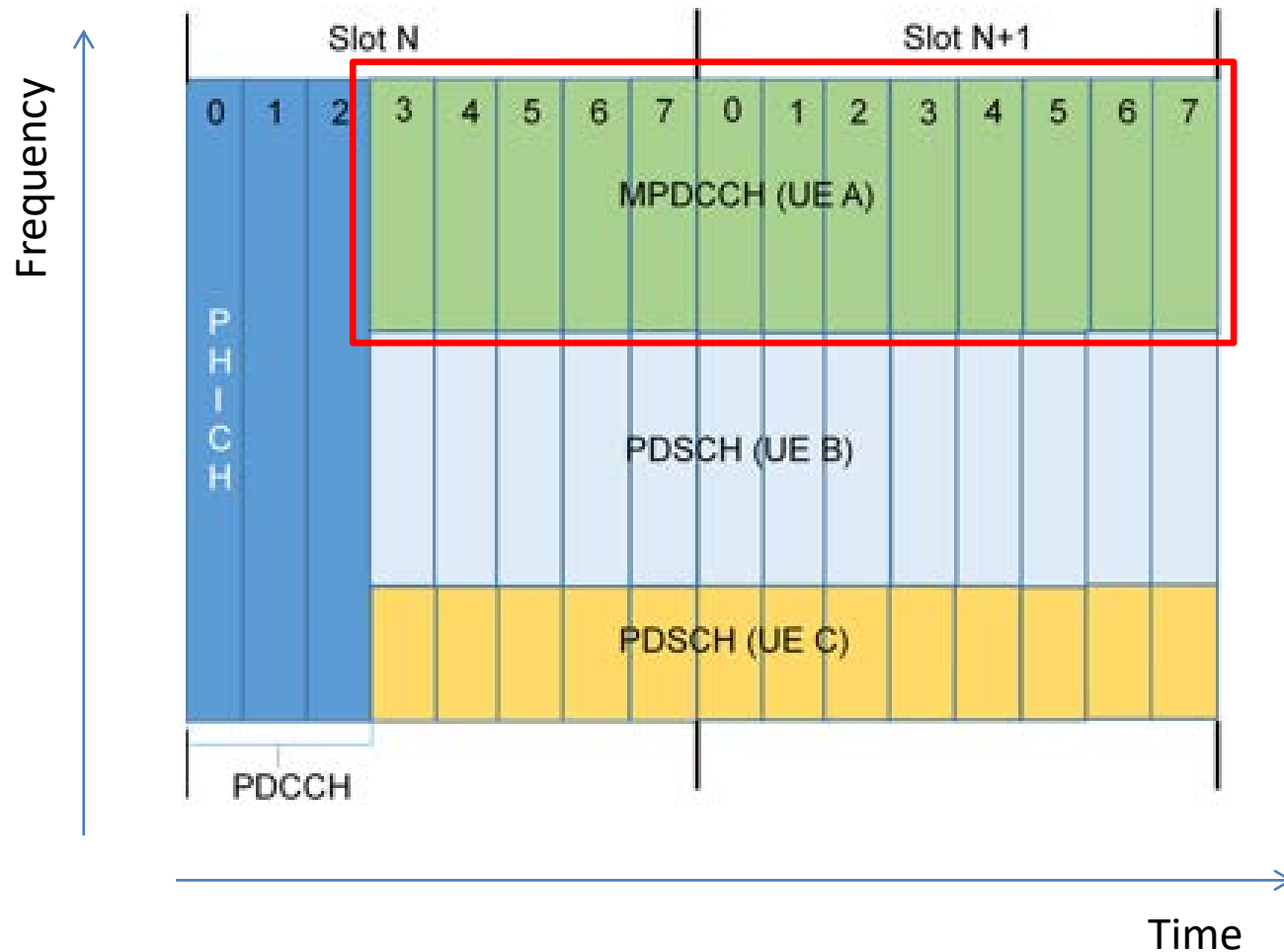
- Licensed band (cellular, mostly < 1 GHz)
 - 6 x resource block = 6 x 180 kHz = 1.080 MHz
- **Max data rate: 1 Mb/s (uplink/downlink)**
- Range: 15 km
- Topology: star (cellular WAN)
- PHY: FDD, **TDD**, no MIMO
- **Multiple access protocol**
 - SC-FDMA (UL), 16-QAM
 - OFDMA (DL), 16-QAM
- Power consumption: high
- Security: cellular quality
- **Applications: healthcare, transportation**

LTE-M (eMTC)



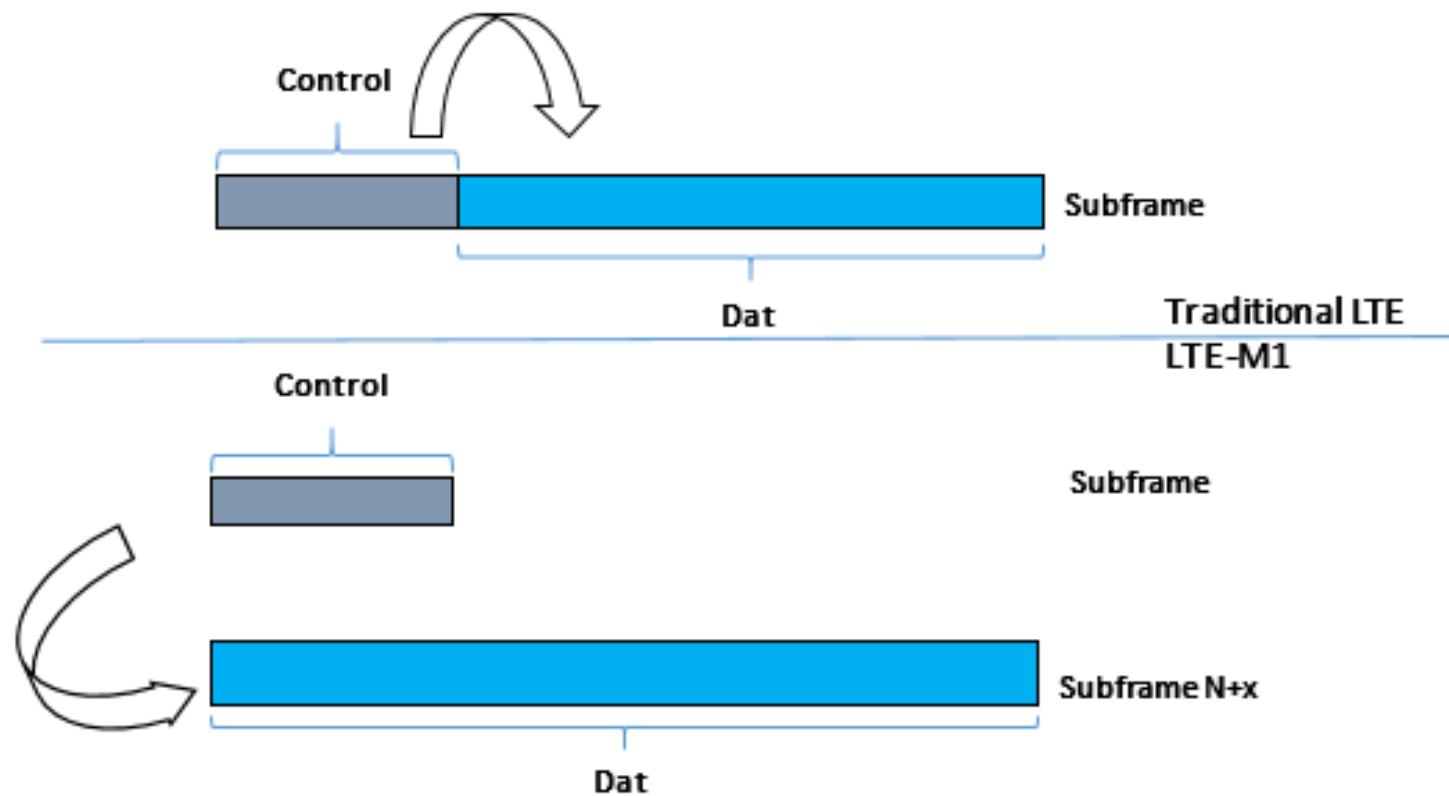
LTE-M (eMTC)

MTC Physical Downlink Control Channel

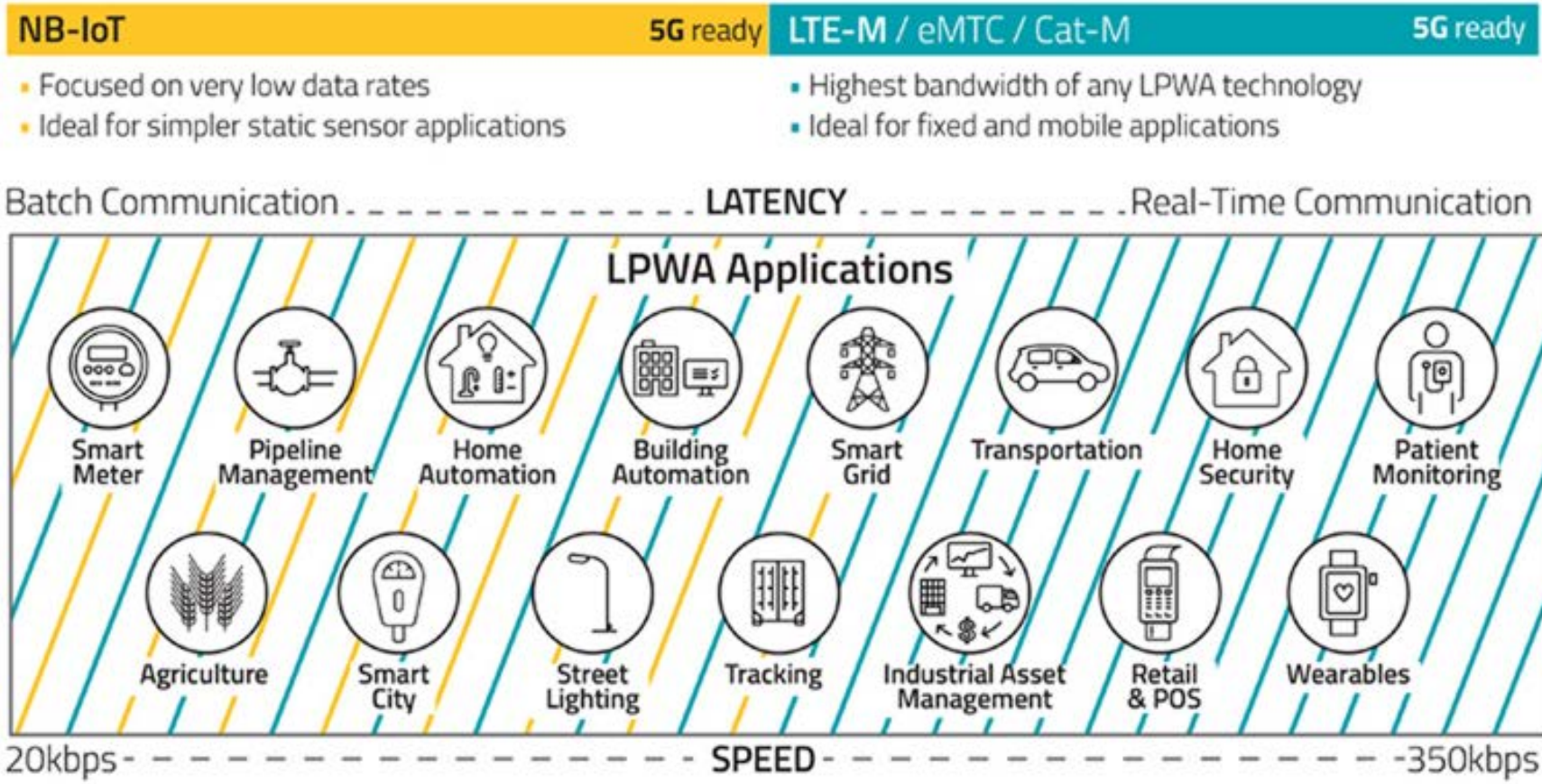


LTE vs LTE-M

Cross-Subframe Scheduling



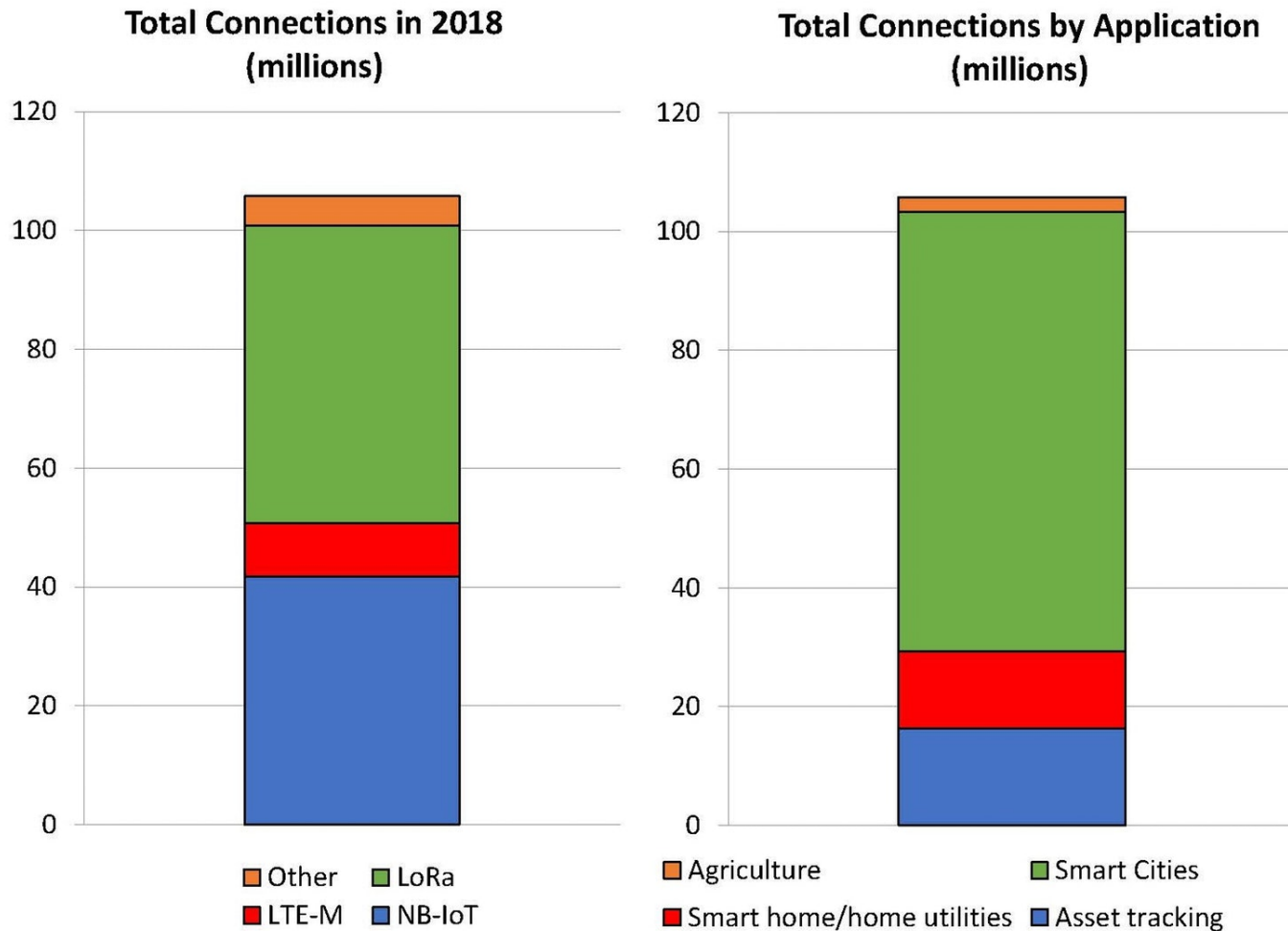
NB-IoT vs LTE-M



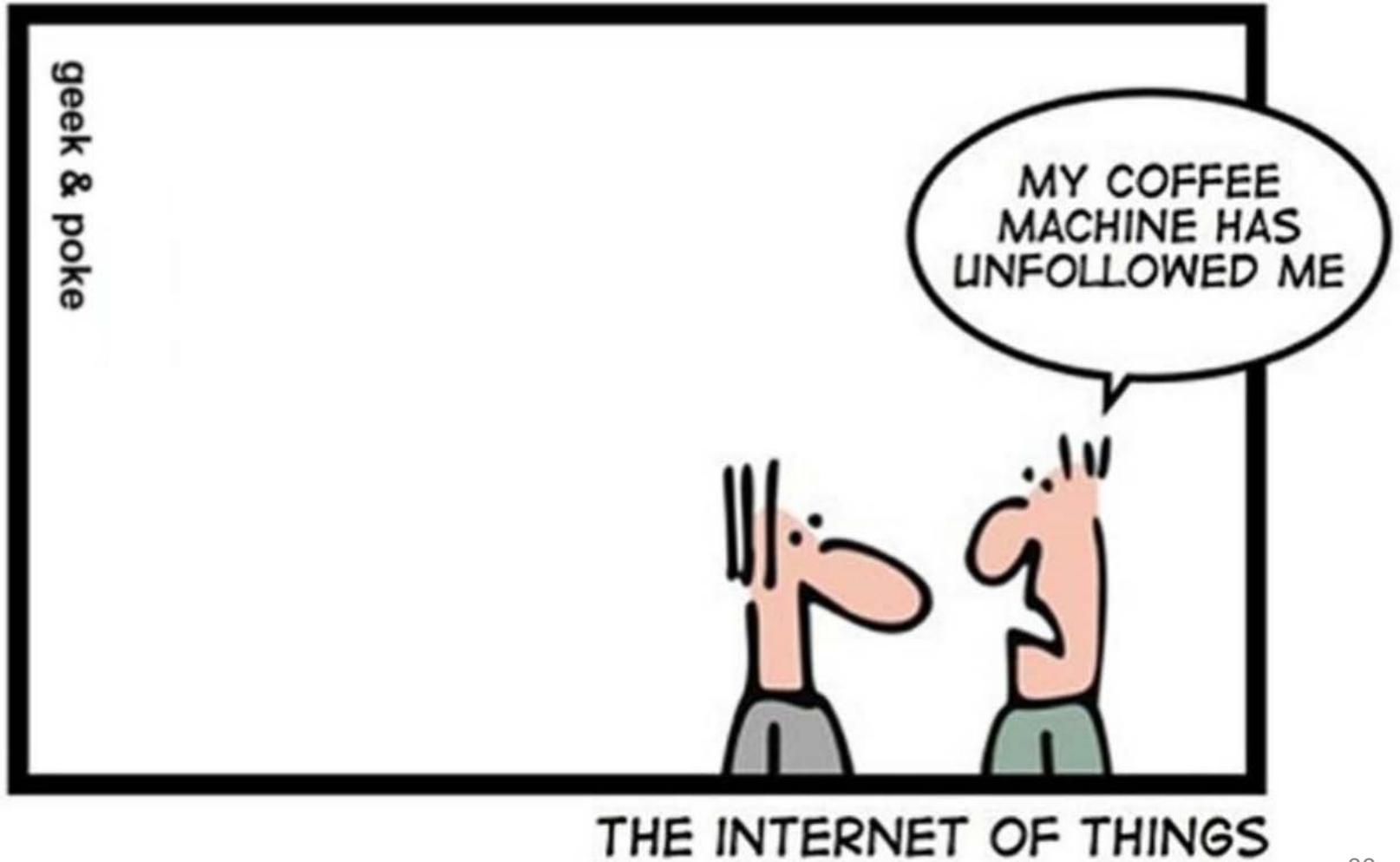
Long Range Communications Comparison

Type	Range [km]	Data rate [Mb/s]	No. of devices	Lat. [s]	MAC	Power consumption	Freq. band
LoRaWAN	15	0.05	1 M (UL), 100 K (DL)	1-10	Duty cycle, channel hopping	Medium	433/780/ 868/915 MHz
SigFox	50	0.1	1 M	1-30	Duty cycle, channel hopping	Medium	868/902 MHz
NB-IoT	15	0.25	> 50 K	2-10	SC-FDMA (UL), OFDMA (DL)	High	Licensed, mostly <1 GHz
LTE-M	15	1	> 50 K	2-10	SC-FDMA (UL), OFDMA (DL)	High	Licensed, mostly <1 GHz

LoRa vs NB-IoT vs LTE-M vs Other



Questions?



Recommended Reading

- <https://blog.bluetooth.com/ten-important-differences-between-bluetooth-bredr-and-bluetooth-smart>
- Transmission of IPv6 Packets over IEEE 802.15.4 Networks, RFC 4944, upd. by RFC 6282/6775
- <https://nfc-forum.org/>
- www.dash7-alliance.org
- IEEE 802.11-2016, Standard
- IEEE 802.11ah-2016 Amendment
- <http://www.3gpp.org/>
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- <https://www.extremenetworks.com/extreme-networks-blog/what-is-a-clear-channel-assessment-cca/>
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