



Vehicular Networks [C2X]

Introduction Seminar for Nomadic Communications

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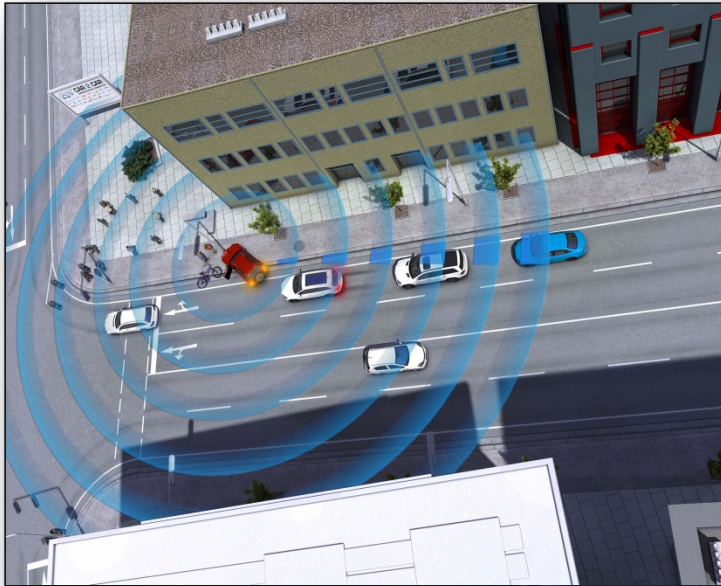
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Motivation



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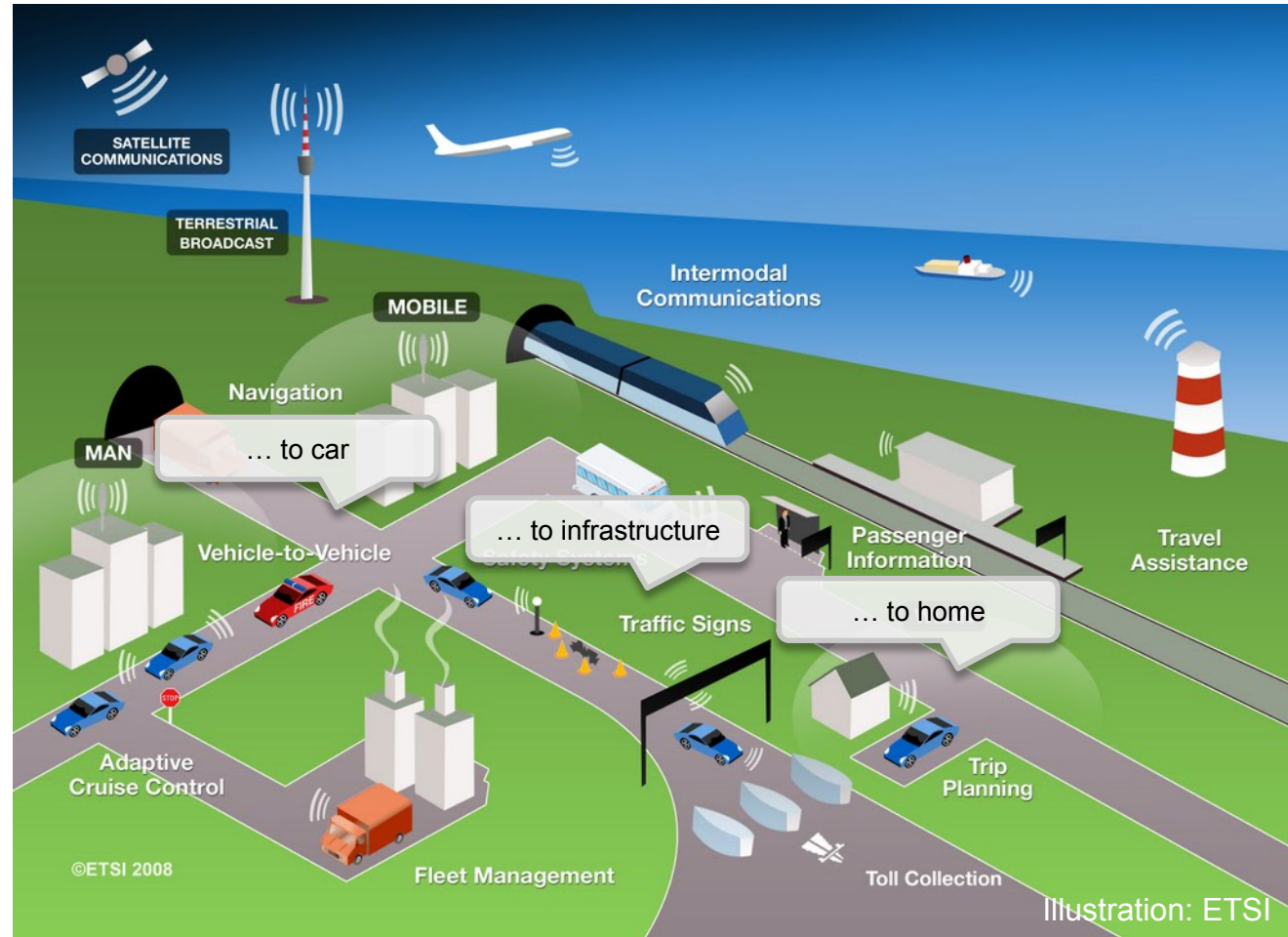
● Car-to-X (C2X) communication patterns

Vehicle-to-X
(V2X),

Inter-Vehicle
Communication
(IVC),

Vehicular
ad-hoc network
(VANET),

...



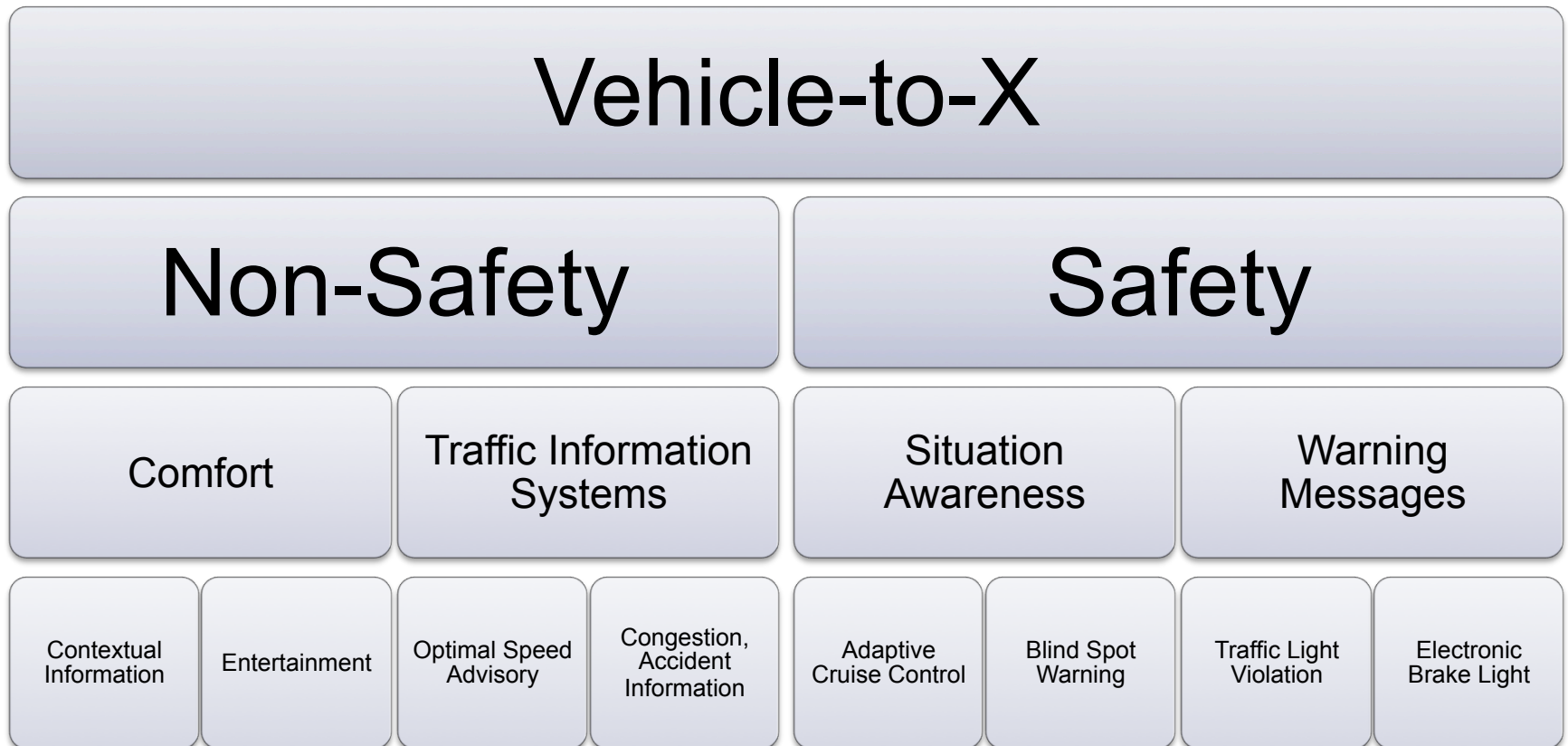
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Time for a Video!
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Motivation

● Taxonomy of Use Cases



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● Taxonomy of Use Cases

Vehicle-to-X

Non-Safety

- Many messages
- High data rate
- Low latency demands
- Low reliability demands
- Long range

Safety

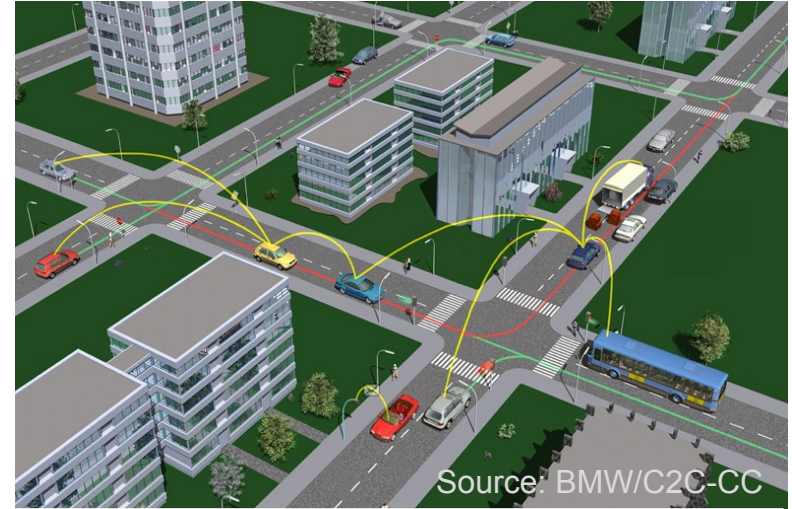
- Few messages
- Small packet size
- High latency demands
- High reliability demands
- Short range

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● Freeway ↔ Urban



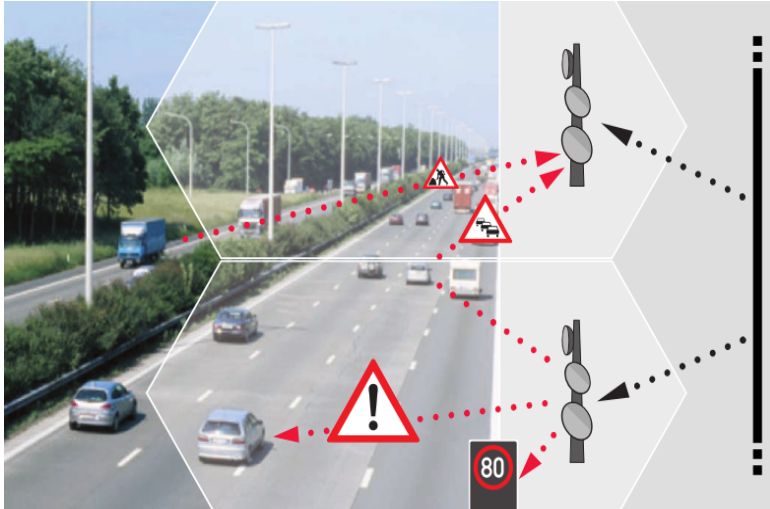
- 1D mobility
- Bimodal connectivity
 - Stable connection (→→)
 - ∧ Unstable connection (←←)
- High speed



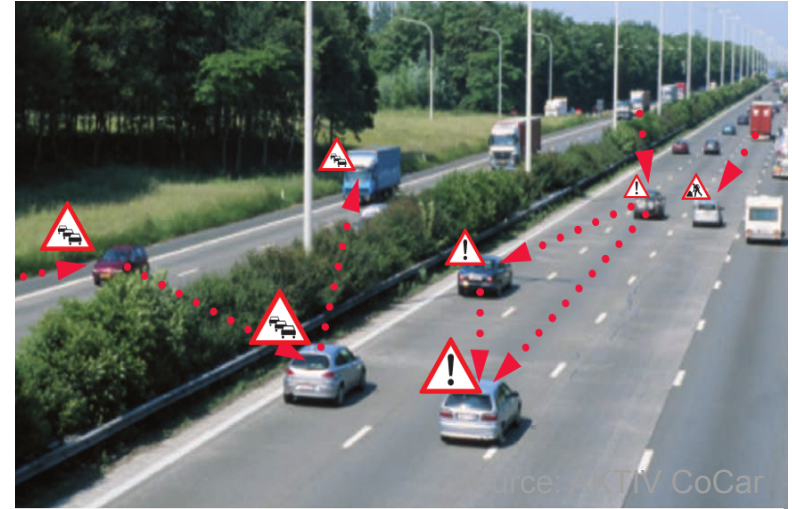
- 2D mobility
- Bipolar connectivity
 - Many neighbors (standing)
 - ∨ Few neighbors (driving)
- Obstacles
- ...

Motivation

● Infrastructure ↔ No Infrastructure



- Central coordination
 - Resource management
 - Security
- High latency
- High load on core network
- ...



- Self organizing system
 - Channel access
 - Authentication
- Low latency
- Low data rate
- ...

Source: AKTIV CoCar

Motivation

● Challenges of C2X communication

Communication

- Highly varying channel conditions
- High congestion, contention, interference
- Tightly limited channel capacity

Networking

- Multi-Radio / Multi-Network
- Heterogeneous equipment

Mobility

- Highly dynamic topology
- But: predictable mobility
- Heterogeneous environment

Security

- No (or no reliable) uplink to central infrastructure
- Ensuring privacy



COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

Technology

● Communication paradigms and media

Wireless Communication Technologies

Infrastructure-based

Infrastructureless

Broadcast

Cellular

Short Range

Medium Range

FM Radio,
DAB/DVB,
...

GSM
2G
Cellular

UMTS
3G
Cellular

LTE /
WiMAX
4G Cell.

Millimeter,
Infrared,
Visible

802.15.1
Bluetooth

802.15.4
ZigBee

802.11
Wi-Fi

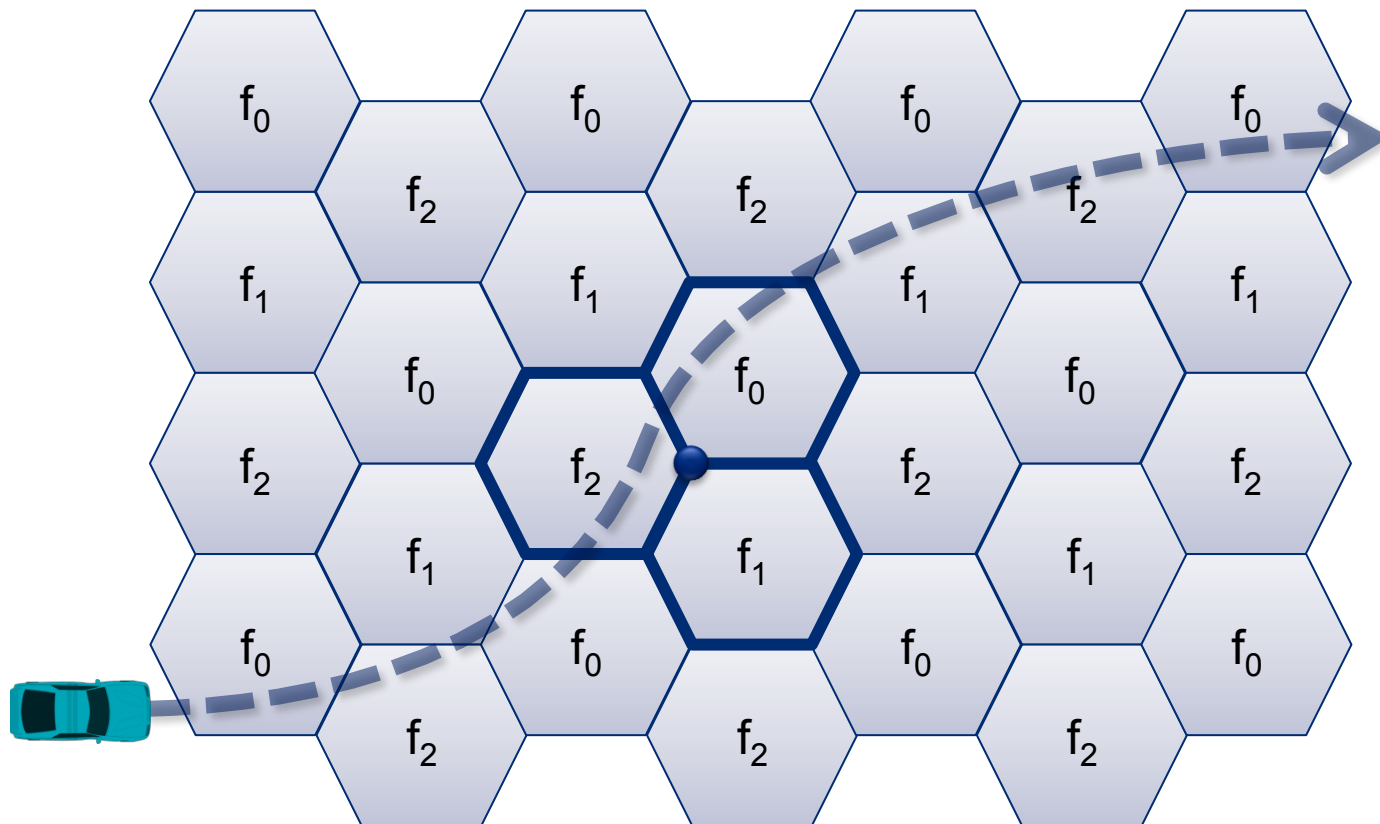
DSRC /
WAVE

[1] Dar, K. and Bakhouya, M. and Gaber, J. and Wack, M. and Lorenz, P., "Wireless Communication Technologies for ITS Applications," IEEE Communications Magazine, vol. 48 (5), pp. 156-162, May 2010

Cellular Networks

● Concept

- ➔ Divide world into cells, each served by base station
- ➔ Allows, e.g., frequency reuse in FDMA



Cellular Networks

- Can UMTS support Car-to-X communication?
 - ➔ Ex: UTRA FDD Release 99 (W-CDMA)
 - ➔ Speed of vehicles not a limiting factor
 - Field operational tests at 290 km/h show signal drops only after sudden braking (\Rightarrow handover prediction failures)
 - ➔ Open questions
 - Delay
 - Capacity
- Channels in UMTS
 - ➔ Shared channels
 - E.g. Random Access Channel (RACH), uplink and Forward Access Channel (FACH), downlink
 - ➔ Dedicated channels
 - E.g. Dedicated Transport Channel (DCH), up-/downlink

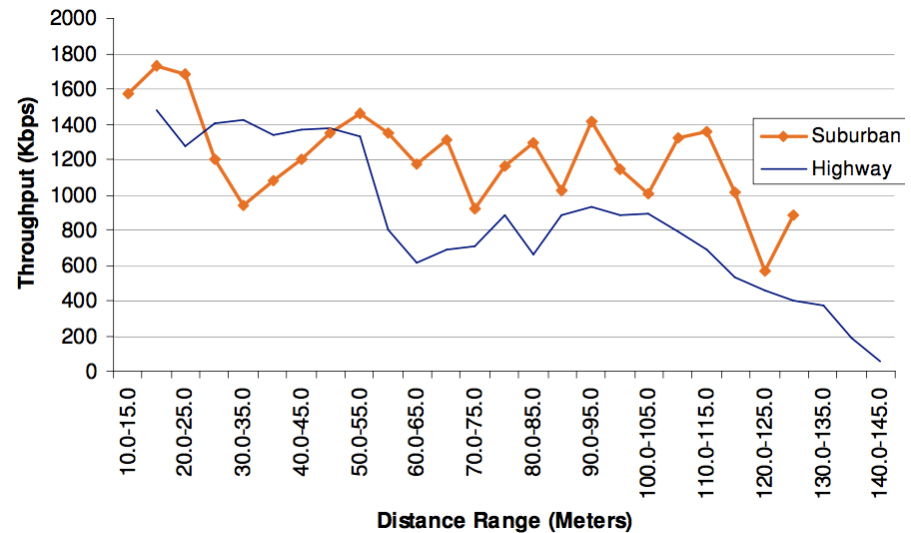
Cellular Networks

- So: can UMTS support Car-to-X communication?
 - ➔ At low market penetration: yes
 - ➔ Eventually:
 - Need to invest in much smaller cells (e.g., along freeways)
 - Need to implement multicast functionality (MBMS)
 - ➔ Main use case for UMTS: centralized services
 - Ex.: Google Maps Traffic
 - Collect information from UMTS devices
 - Storage of data on central server
 - Dissemination via Internet (⇒ ideal for cellular networks)

IEEE 802.11p

● IEEE 802.11{a,b,g,n} for Car-to-X communication?

- ➔ Can't be in infrastructure mode and ad hoc mode at the same time
- ➔ Switching time consuming
- ➔ Association time consuming
- ➔ (Massively) shared spectrum (⇒ ISM)
- ➔ Multi-path effects reduce range and speed

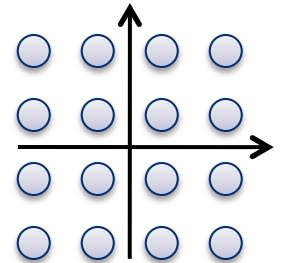


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IEEE 802.11p

● IEEE 802.11p

- ➔ PHY layer mostly identical to IEEE 802.11a
 - OFDM based
 - Reduction of inter symbol interference because of multi-path effects
 - Double timing parameters
 - Channel bandwidth down to 10 MHz (from 20 MHz)
 - Throughput down to 3 ... 27 Mbit/s (from 6 ... 54 Mbit/s)
 - Range up to 1000 m, speed up to 200 km/h
- ➔ MAC layer of IEEE 802.11a plus extensions
 - Random MAC Address
 - QoS (EDCA priority access, cf. IEEE 802.11e, ...)
 - Multi-Frequency and Multi-Radio capabilities
 - New Ad Hoc mode
 - ...



IEEE 802.11p

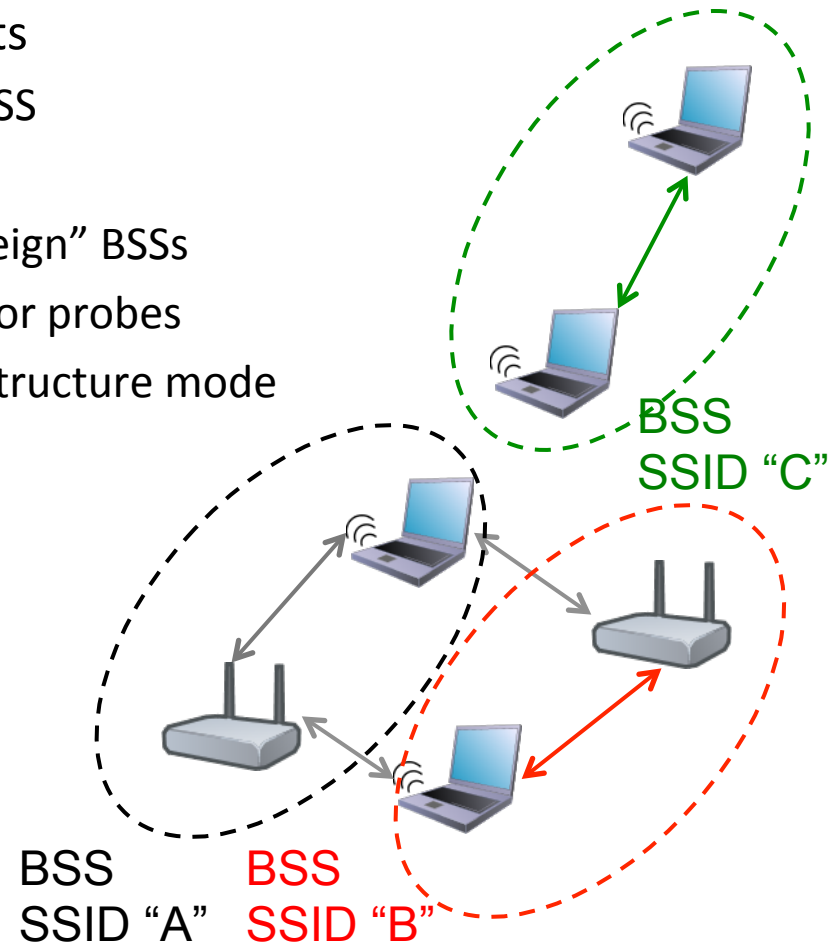
● Classic IEEE 802.11 Basic Service Set (BSS)

➔ Divides networks into logical units

- Nodes belong to (exactly one) BSS
- Packets contain BSSID
- Nodes ignore packets from “foreign” BSSs
- Exception: Wildcard-BSSID (-1) for probes
- Ad hoc networks emulate infrastructure mode

➔ Joining a BSS

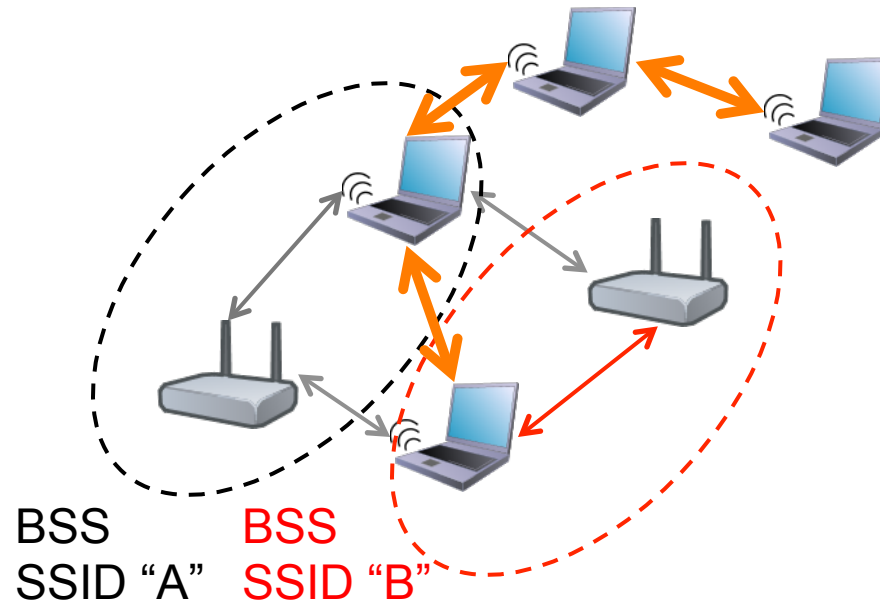
- Access Point sends beacon
- Authentication dialogue
- Association dialogue
- Node has joined BSS



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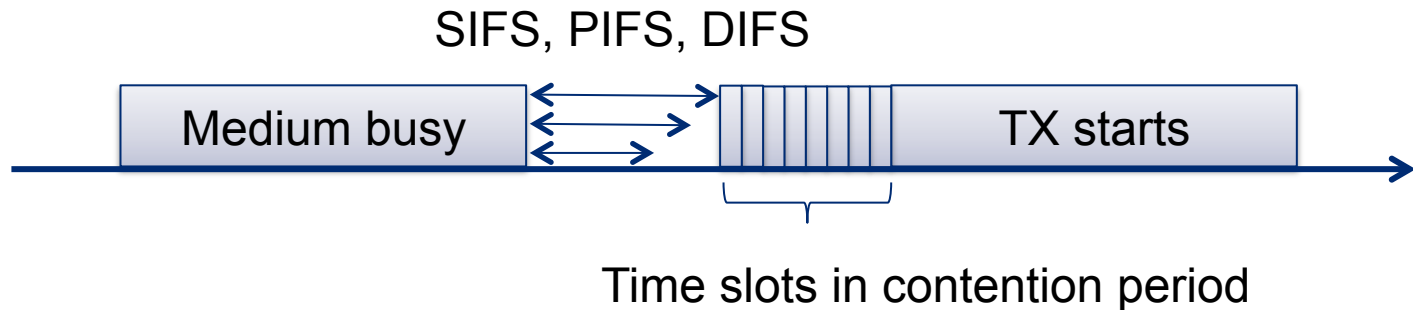
● New: 802.11 WAVE Mode

- ➔ Default mode of nodes in WAVE
- ➔ Nodes may always use Wildcard BSS in packets
- ➔ Nodes will always receive Wildcard BSS packets
- ➔ May join BSS and still use Wildcard BSS



IEEE 802.11p

- IEEE 802.11 Distributed Coordination Function (DCF)
 - ➔ aka “Contention Period”



- ➔ Priority access via SIFS (ACK, CTS, ...) and DIFS (payload)
- ➔ Wait until medium has been free for duration of DIFS
- ➔ If medium busy, wait until idle, then wait DIFS plus random backoff time
- ➔ Cannot prioritize DATA frames

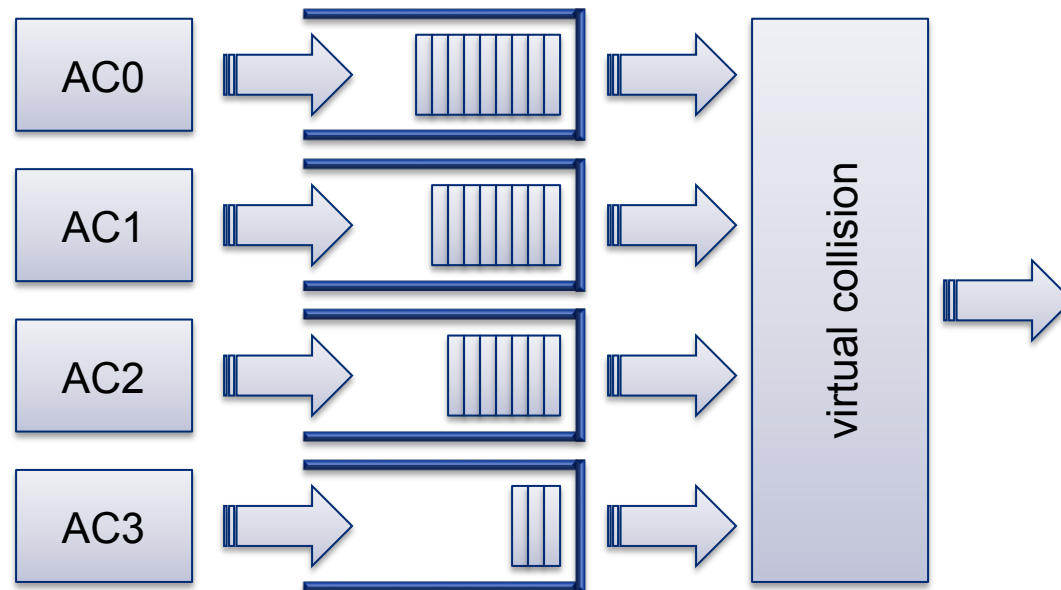
IEEE 802.11p

- QoS in 802.11p (HCF)
 - ➔ cf. IEEE 802.11e EDCA
 - ➔ DIFS \Rightarrow AIFS (Arbitration Inter-Frame Space)
 - DCF \Rightarrow EDCA (Enhanced Distributed Channel Access)
 - ➔ Classify user data into 4 ACs (Access Categories)
 - AC0 (lowest priority)
 - ...
 - AC3 (highest priority)
 - ➔ Each ACs has different...
 - CW_{\min} , CW_{\max} , AIFS, TXOP limit (max. continuous transmissions)
 - ➔ Management data uses DIFS (not AIFS)

IEEE 802.11p

● QoS in 802.11p (HCF)

- ➔ Map 8 user priorities \Rightarrow 4 access categories \Rightarrow 4 queues
- ➔ Queues compete independently for medium access



IEEE 802.11p

● QoS in 802.11p (HCF)

➔ Parameterization

Parameter	Value
SlotTime	13 μ s
SIFS	32 μ s
CW _{min}	15
CW _{max}	1023
Bandwidth (PHY layer data rates)	10 MHz (3 .. 27 mbit/s)

➔ Sample queue configuration (from 802.11p standard)

Parameter	AC_BK	AC_BE	AC_VI	AC_VO
CW _{min}	CW _{min}	CW _{min}	$(CW_{min}+1)/2-1$	$(CW_{min}+1)/4-1$
CW _{max}	CW _{max}	CW _{max}	CW _{min}	$(CW_{min}+1)/2-1$
AIFS _n	9	6	3	2

IEEE 802.11p

● QoS in WAVE

- ➔ mean waiting time for channel access, given sample configuration from IEEE 1609.4 2006

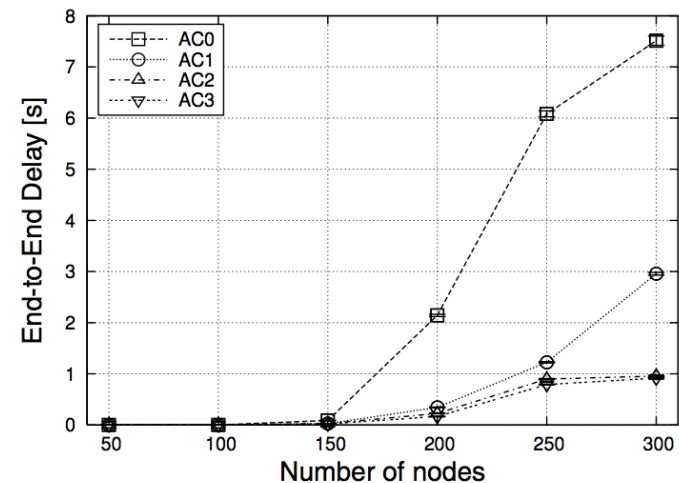
(and TXOP Limit=0

⇒ single packet)

- ➔ when channel idle:

AC	CW _{min}	CW _{max}	AIFS	TXOP	t _w (in μs)
0	15	1023	9	0	264
1	7	15	6	0	152
2	3	7	3	0	72
3	3	7	2	0	56

- ➔ when channel busy:



[1] Eichler, S., "Performance evaluation of the IEEE 802.11p WAVE communication standard," Proceedings of 66th IEEE Vehicular Technology Conference (VTC2007-Fall), Baltimore, USA, October 2007, pp. 2199-2203

UMTS/LTE vs. 802.11p

● Pros of UMTS/LTE

- + Easy provision of centralized services
- + Quick dissemination of information in whole network
- + Pre-deployed infrastructure
- + Easy migration to (and integration into) smartphones

● Cons of UMTS/LTE

- High short range latencies (might be too high for safety)
- Network needs further upgrades (smaller cells, multicast service)
- High dependence on network operator
- High load in core network, even for local communication

UMTS/LTE vs. IEEE 802.11p

- Pros of 802.11p/Ad hoc
 - + Smallest possible latency
 - + Can sustain operation without network operator / provider
 - + Network load highly localized
 - + Better privacy

- Cons of 802.11p/Ad hoc
 - Needs gateway for provision of central services (e.g., RSU)
 - No pre-deployed hardware, and hardware is still expensive

- The solution?
 - ➔ hybrid systems:
deploy both technologies to vehicles and road,
decide depending on application and infrastructure availability

Higher Layer Standards for IEEE 802.11p

● Channel management

➔ Dedicated frequency band at 5.9 GHz allocated to WAVE

- Exclusive for V2V und V2I communication
- No license cost, but strict rules
- 1999: FCC reserves 7 channels of 10 MHz (“U.S. DSRC”)

...	Critical Safety of Life	SCH	SCH	Control Channel (CCH)	SCH	SCH	Hi-Power Public Safety	...
	ch 172 5.860GHz	ch 174 5.870GHz	ch 176 5.880GHz	ch 178 5.890GHz	ch 180 5.900GHz	ch 182 5.910GHz	ch 184 5.920GHz	

– 2 reserved channels, 1+4 channels for applications

- ETSI Europe reserves 5 channels of 10 MHz

SCH	SCH	SCH	SCH	CCH
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[1] ETSI ES 202 663 V1.1.0 (2010-01) : Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS); European profile standard for the physical and medium access control layer of Intelligent Transport Systems operating in the 5 GHz frequency band

Higher Layer Standards for IEEE 802.11p

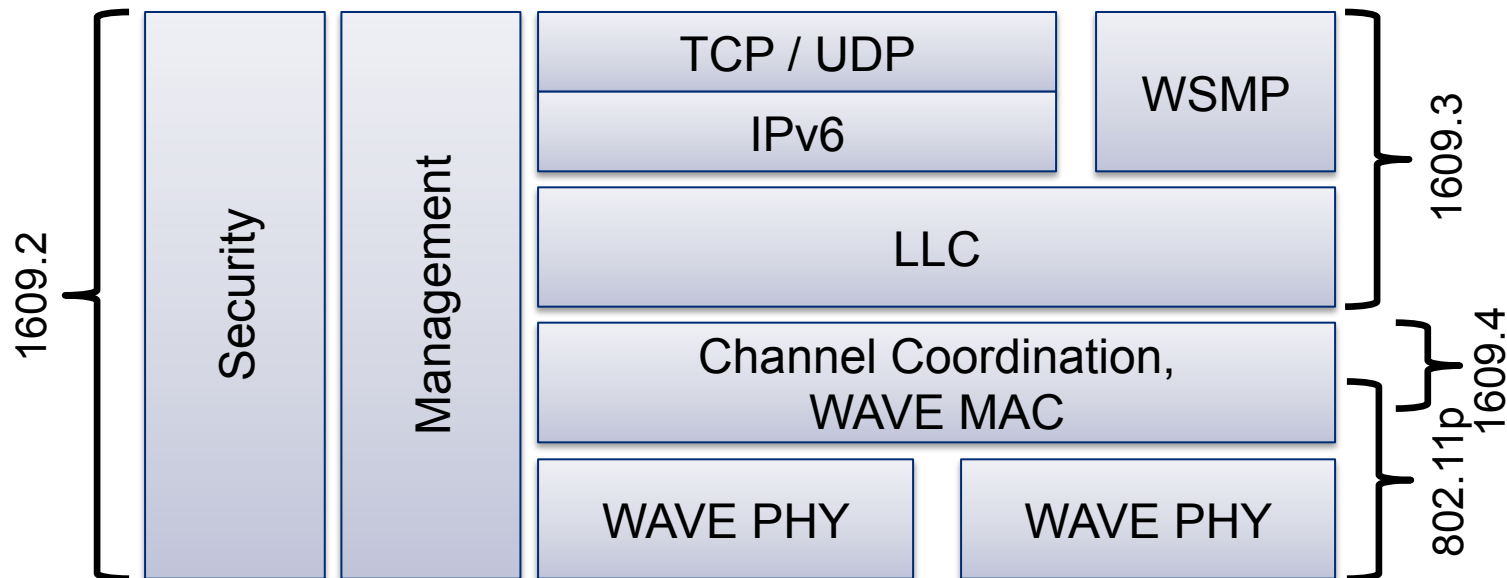
- Need for higher layer standards
 - ➔ Unified message format
 - ➔ Unified interfaces to application layer

- U.S.
 - ➔ IEEE 1609.*
 - ➔ WAVE („Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments“)

- Europe
 - ➔ ETSI
 - ➔ ITS G5 (“Intelligent Transportation Systems“)

IEEE 1609

- IEEE 1609.* upper layers (building on IEEE 802.11p)
 - ➔ IEEE 1609.1: "Operating system" ■ IEEE 1609.3: Network services
 - ➔ IEEE 1609.2: Security ■ IEEE 1609.4: Channel mgmt.



[1] Jiang, D. and Delgrossi, L., "IEEE 802.11p: Towards an international standard for wireless access in vehicular environments," Proceedings of 67th IEEE Vehicular Technology Conference (VTC2008-Spring), Marina Bay, Singapore, May 2008

[2] Uzcátegui, Roberto A. and Acosta-Marum, Guillermo, "WAVE: A Tutorial," IEEE Communications Magazine, vol. 47 (5), pp. 126-133, May 2009

IEEE 1609

● Channel management

- ➔ WAVE allows for both single radio devices & multi radio devices
- ➔ Dedicated Control Channel (CCH) for mgmt and safety messages
 - ⇒ single radio devices need to periodically listen to CCH
- ➔ Time slots
 - Synchronization envisioned via GPS receiver clock
 - Standard value: 100ms sync interval (with 50ms on CCH)
 - Short guard interval at start of time slot
 - During guard, medium is considered busy (⇒ backoff)

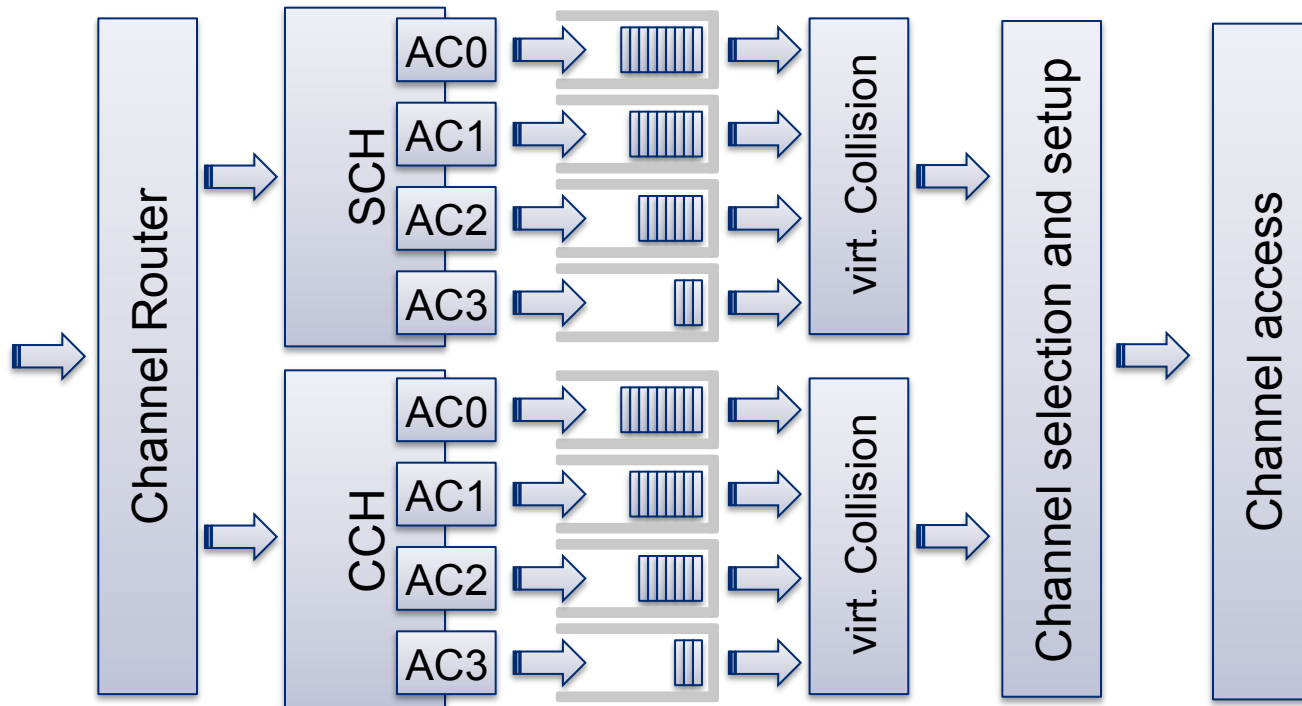


[1] IEEE Vehicular Technology Society, "IEEE 1609.4 (Multi-channel Operation)," IEEE Std, November, 2006

IEEE 1609

● Packet transmission

- Sort into AC queue, based on WSMP (or IPv6) EtherType field, destination channel, and user priority
- Switch to desired channel, setup PHY power and data rate
- Start medium access



● Channel management

➔ Control Channel (CCH):

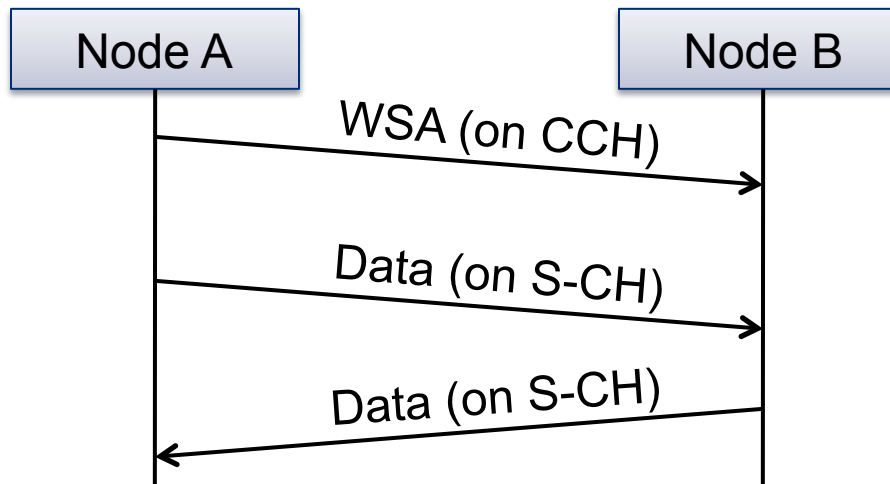
- Default channel upon initialization
- WAVE service advertisements (WSA),
WAVE short messages (WSM)

➔ Service Channel (SCH):

- Only after joining WAVE BSS
- WAVE short messages (WSM),
IP data traffic (IPv6)

IEEE 1609

- WAVE service advertisement (WSA)
 - ➔ Broadcast on Control Channel (CCH)
 - ➔ Identifies WAVE BSSs on Service Channels (SCHs)
 - ➔ Can be sent at arbitrary times, by arbitrary nodes
 - ➔ Only possibility to make others aware of data being sent on SCHs



IEEE 1609

- WAVE service advertisement (WSA)
 - ➔ WAVE Version (= 0)
 - ➔ Provider Service Table (PST)
 - $n \times$ Provider Service Info
 - Provider Service Identifier (PSID, max. 0x7FFF FFFF)
 - Provider Service Context (PSC, max. 31 chars)
 - Application priority (max priority: 63)
 - (opt.: IPv6 address and port, if IP service)
 - (opt.: Source MAC address, if sender \neq data source)
 - Channel number (max. 200)
 - $1..n \times$ Channel Info (for each channel used in PST table)
 - Data rate (fixed or minimum value)
 - Transmission power (fixed or maximum value)
 - ➔ (opt.: WAVE Routing Announcement)

[1] IEEE Vehicular Technology Society, "IEEE 1609.3 (Networking Services)," IEEE Std, April, 2007

IEEE 1609

● WAVE service advertisement (WSA)

➔ Provider Service Identifier (PSID) defined in IEEE Std 1609.3-2007

0x000 0000	system	0x000 000D	private
0x000 0001	automatic-fee-collection	0x000 000E	multi-purpose-payment
0x000 0002	freight-fleet-management	0x000 000F	dsrc-resource-manager
0x000 0003	public-transport	0x000 0010	after-theft-systems
0x000 0004	traffic-traveler-information	0x000 0011	cruise-assist-highway-system
0x000 0005	traffic-control	0x000 0012	multi-purpose-information system
0x000 0006	parking-management	0x000 0013	public-safety
0x000 0007	geographic-road-database	0x000 0014	vehicle-safety
0x000 0008	medium-range-preinformation	0x000 0015	general-purpose-internet-access
0x000 0009	man-machine-interface	0x000 0016	onboard diagnostics
0x000 000A	intersystem-interface	0x000 0017	security manager
0x000 000B	automatic-vehicle-identification	0x000 0018	signed WSA
0x000 000C	emergency-warning	0x000 0019	ACI

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● WAVE Short Message (WSM)

➔ Header (11 Byte)

- Version (= 0)
- Content type: plain, signed, encrypted
- Channel number (max. 200)
- Data rate
- Transmission power
- Provider Service Identifier (Service type, max. 0x7FFF FFFF)
- Length (max. typ. 1400 Bytes)

➔ Payload

● IP traffic (UDP/IPv6 or TCP/IPv6)

➔ Header (40+n Byte)

- Version
- Traffic Class
- Flow Label
- Length
- Next Header
- Hop Limit
- Source address, destination address
- (opt.: Extension Headers)

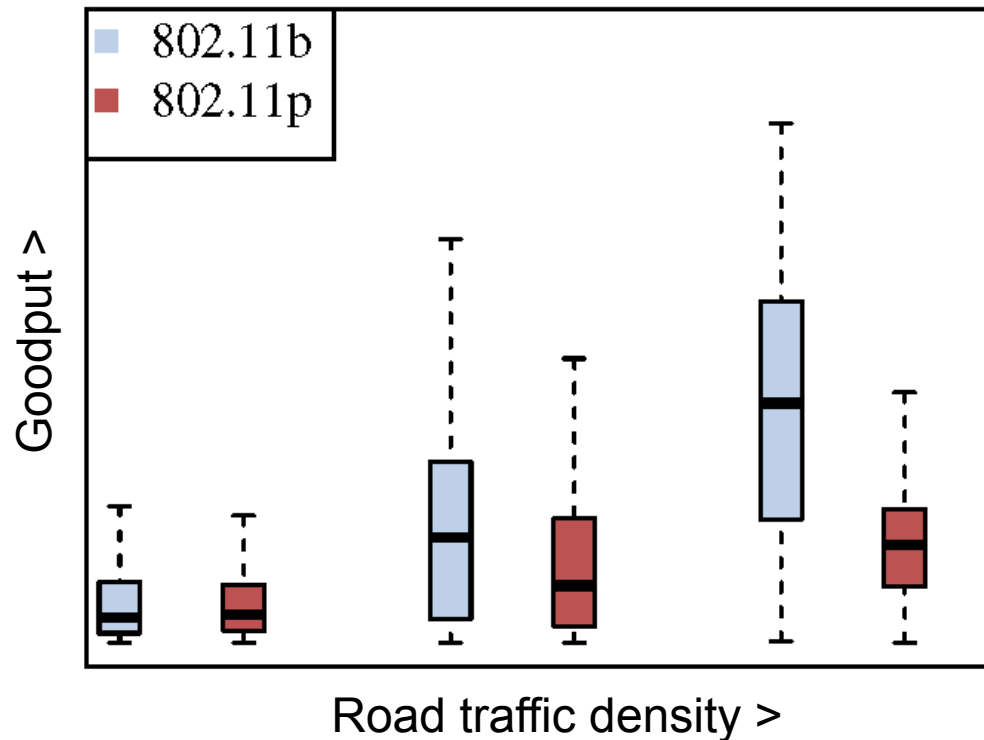
➔ Payload

- ➔ No IPv6-Neighbor-Discovery (High overhead)
- ➔ All OBUs listen to host multicast address, all RSUs listen to router multicast address

Drawbacks of Channel Switching

● 1) Goodput

- ➔ User data must only be sent on SCH, i.e. during SCH interval
⇒ goodput cut in half

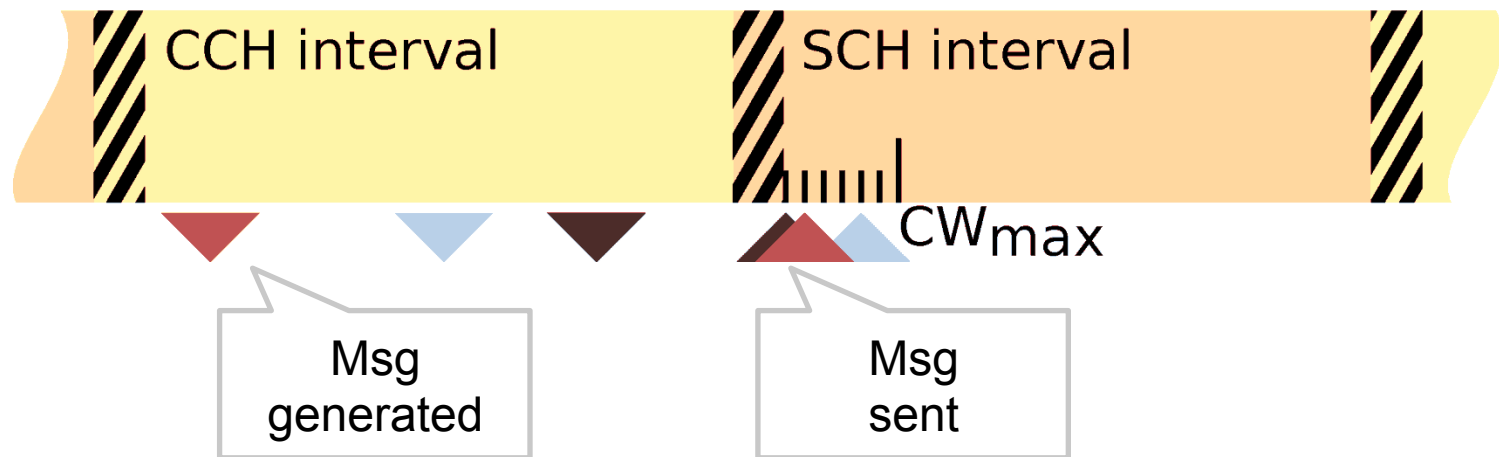


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Drawbacks of Channel Switching

● 2) Collisions

- ➔ Delay of data to next start of SCH interval
 - ⇒ increased frequency of channel accesses directly after switch
 - ⇒ increased collisions, packet loss



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PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Approaches to Performance Evaluation

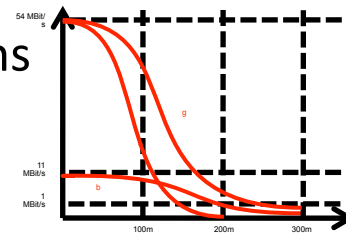
● Field Operational Tests

- + Highest degree of realism
- no in-depth investigations of network behavior
- Non-suppressible side effects
- Limited extrapolation from field operational tests



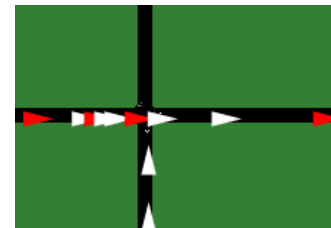
● Analytical evaluation

- + Closed-form description allows for far-reaching conclusions
- May need to oversimplify complex systems



● Simulation

- ➔ Can serve as middle ground



Requirements for Simulation

● Models

- Network protocol layers
- Radio propagation
- Node mobility
- Model of approach to be investigated (e.g., flooding)

● Scenarios

- Road geometry, traffic lights, meta information
- Normal traffic pattern
- Scenario of use case to be investigated (e.g., accident)

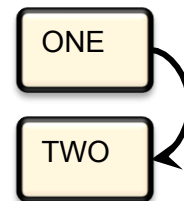
● Metrics

- Network traffic metrics (delay, load, ...)
- Road traffic metrics (travel time, stopping time, emissions, ...)
- Metric of use case to be investigated (e.g., time until jam resolved)

Modeling Network Protocols

● Dedicated simulation tools

- ➔ Discrete Event Simulation (DES) kernel
- ➔ Manages queue of events (e.g., “an IP fragment was received”)
- ➔ Delivers events to simulation models



● Model libraries

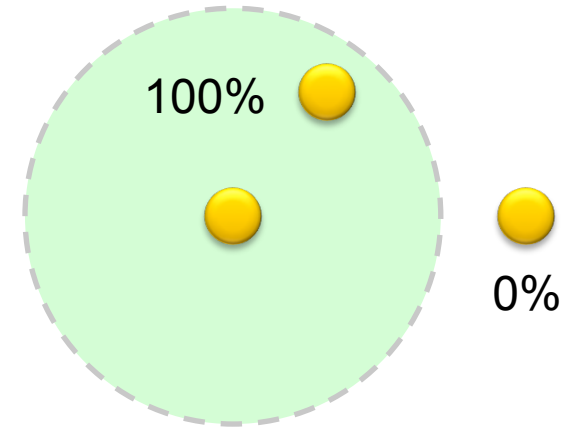
- ➔ Simulate components' reaction to events
- ➔ E.g., HTTP server, TCP state machine, radio channel, human, ...
- ➔ “when enough IP fragments received \Rightarrow tell TCP: packet received”

Engine	Language	Library	Language
OMNeT++	C++	MiXiM	C++
ns-2 / ns-3	C++	ns-2 / ns-3	Objective Tcl / Python
JiST	Java	SWANS	Java

Modeling Radio Channel

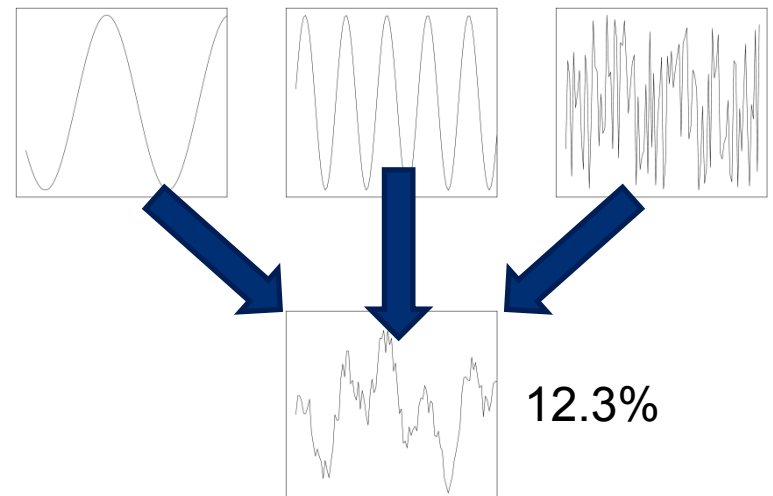
- Simple model: unit disk

- ➔ Fixed radio “range”
- ➔ Node within range
↔ packet received



- Enhanced models:

- ➔ For each packet, consider
 - Signal strength
 - Interference (other radios)
 - Noise (e.g., thermal noise)
- ➔ Calculate “signal to noise and interference ratio” (SNIR)
- ➔ Derive packet error rate (PER)



Modeling Radio Propagation

- Signal attenuation

- ➔ Received power depends on transmitted power, antenna gains, and path loss

$$P_r [dBm] = P_t [dBm] + G_t [dB] + G_r [dB] - \sum L_x [dB]$$

- Free space path loss

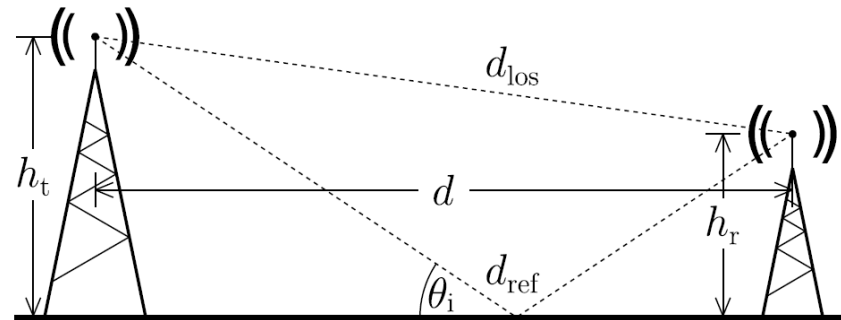
$$L_{\text{freespace}} [\text{dB}] = 20 \lg \left(4\pi \frac{d}{\lambda} \right)$$

- Empirical free space path loss

$$L_{\text{freespace,emp}} [\text{dB}] = 10 \lg \left(4\pi \frac{d}{\lambda} \right)^\alpha$$

Modeling Radio Propagation

- Two Ray Interference path loss



$$L_{\text{tri}}[\text{dB}] = 20 \lg \left(4\pi \frac{d}{\lambda} \left| 1 + \Gamma_{\perp} e^{i\varphi} \right|^{-1} \right), \text{ substituting}$$

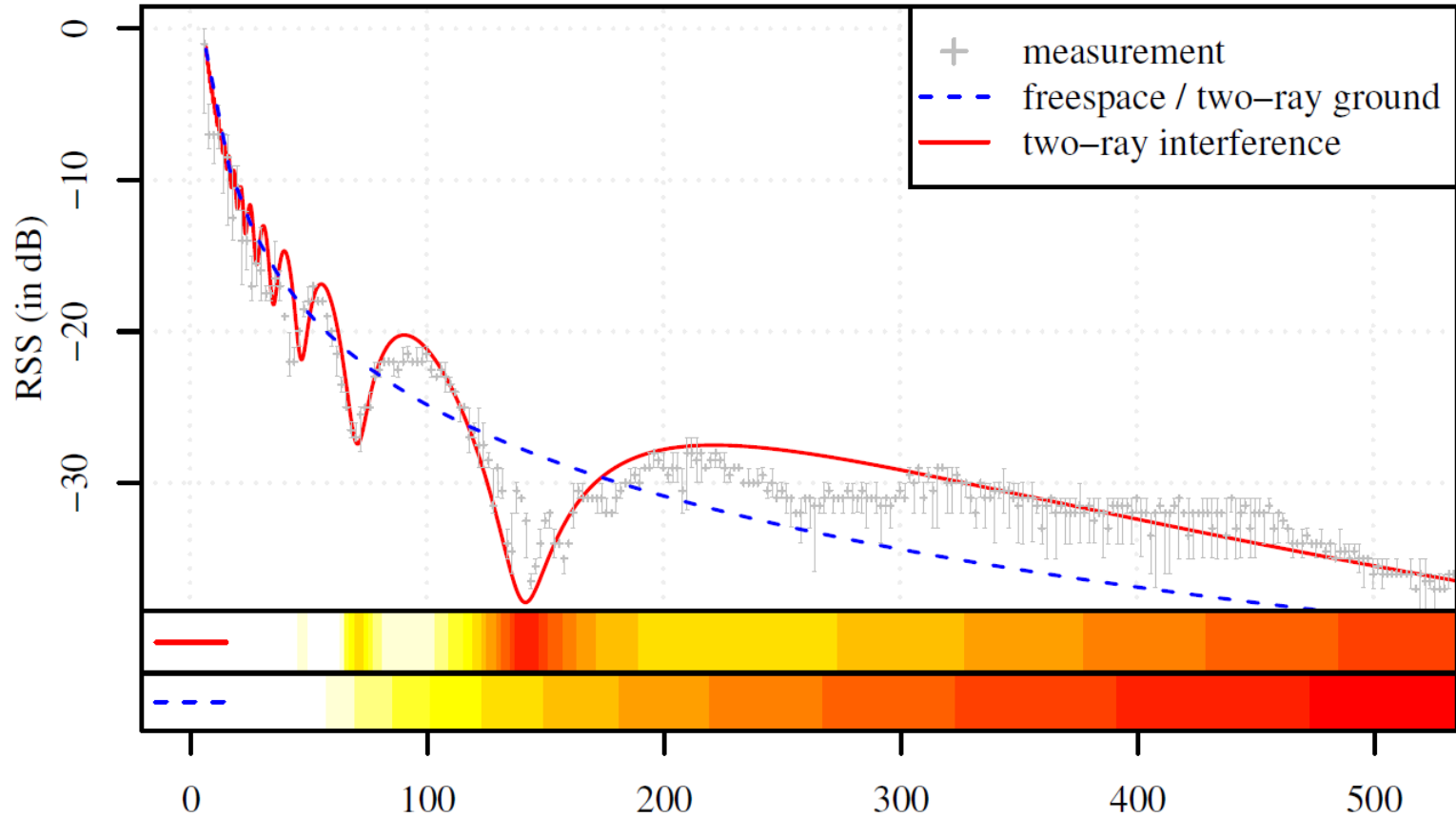
$$\varphi = 2\pi \frac{d_{\text{los}} - d_{\text{ref}}}{\lambda}, \quad \Gamma_{\perp} = \frac{\sin \theta_i - \sqrt{\epsilon_r - \cos^2 \theta_i}}{\sin \theta_i + \sqrt{\epsilon_r - \cos^2 \theta_i}},$$

$$d_{\text{los}} = \sqrt{d^2 + (h_t - h_r)^2}, \quad d_{\text{ref}} = \sqrt{d^2 + (h_t + h_r)^2},$$

$$\sin \theta_i = (h_t + h_r) / d_{\text{ref}}, \quad \cos \theta_i = d / d_{\text{ref}}.$$

Modeling Radio Propagation

● Comparison: Two Ray Interference vs. Free Space

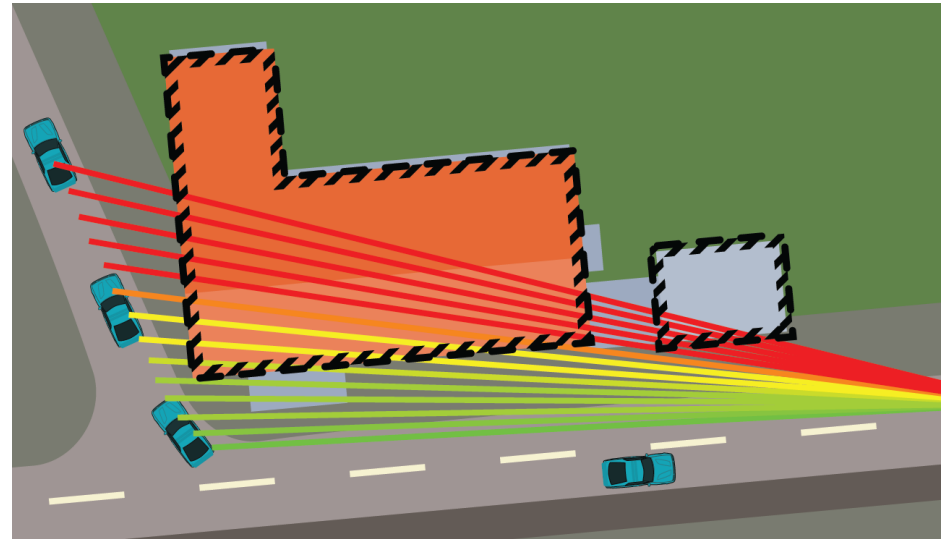


Modeling Radio Propagation

- Very(!) simple obstacle model

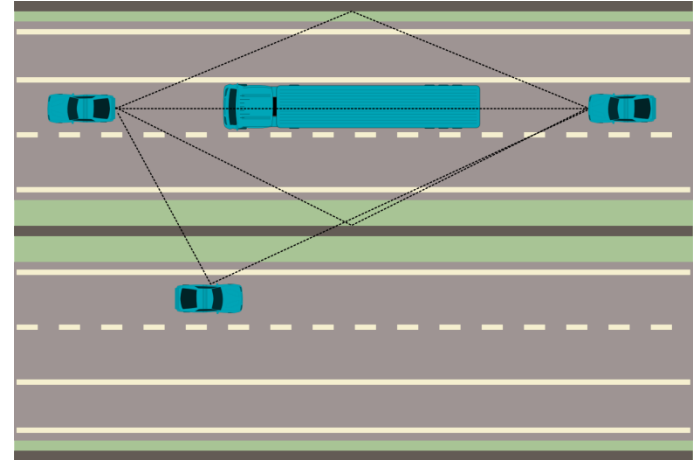
- ➔ Take into account:
 - distance through matter,
 - number of walls

$$L_{\text{obs}}[\text{dB}] = \beta n + \gamma d_m$$

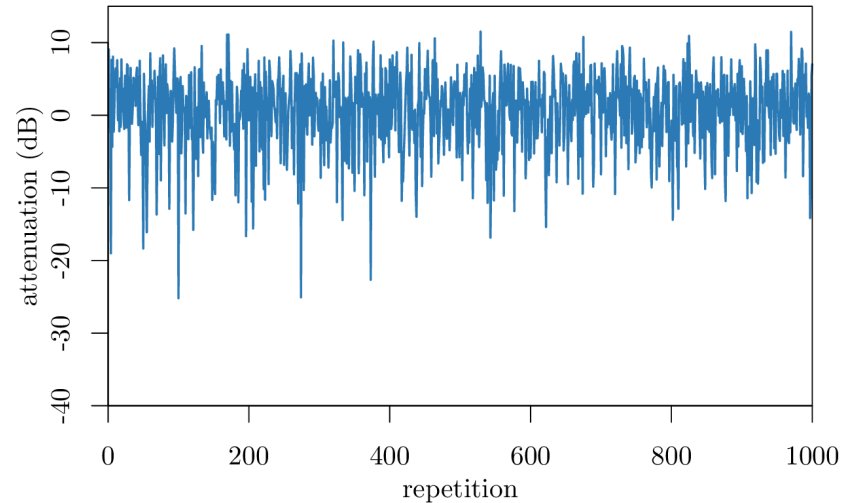


Modeling Radio Propagation

- Accounting for multi-path fading



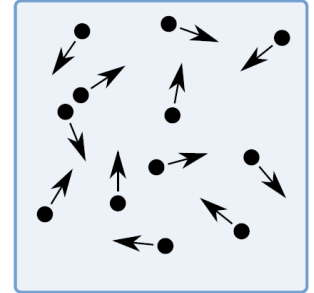
- Example: Rayleigh samples



Modeling Mobility

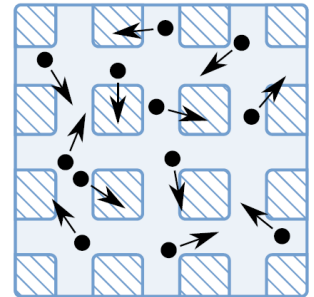
- Traditional approach in network simulation:
Random Waypoint (RWP)

- ➔ „pick destination, move there, repeat“



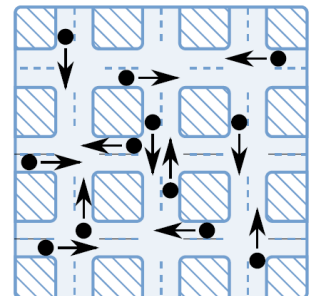
- First adaptation to vehicular movement

- ➔ Add mass, inertia
- ➔ Add restriction to “roads”
- ➔ Add angular restrictions



- Problem

- ➔ Very unrealistic (longitudinal) mobility pattern



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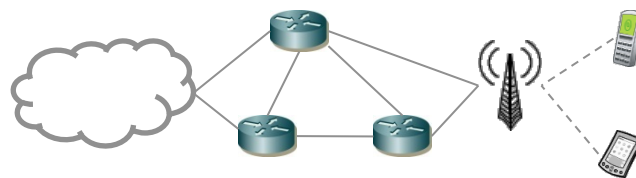
● First approach: Replay recorded trace data

- ➔ Use GPS
- ➔ Install in Taxi, Bus, ...
- ➔ Highest degree of realism

● Problems:

- ➔ Invariant scenario
- ➔ No extrapolation
 - To other vehicles (cars, trucks, ...)
 - To more vehicles
 - To fewer vehicles

Network Simulation



B. Real-world traces

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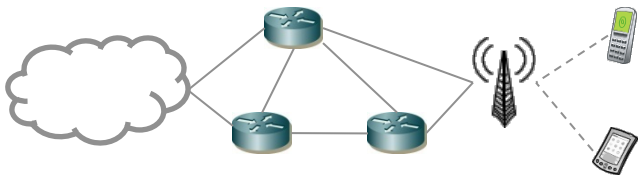
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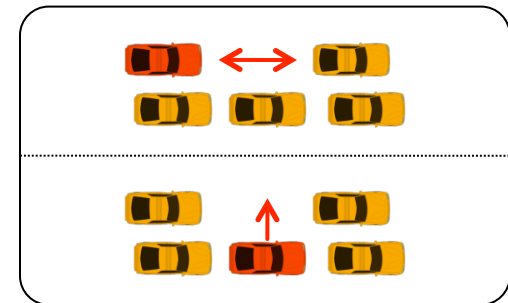
- Replay artificial trace data
 - ➔ Microsimulation of road traffic
 - ➔ Pre-computation or live simulation
 - ➔ Problem: how to investigate traffic information systems (TIS)?

Network Simulation



C. Micro-simulation

Road Traffic Simulation



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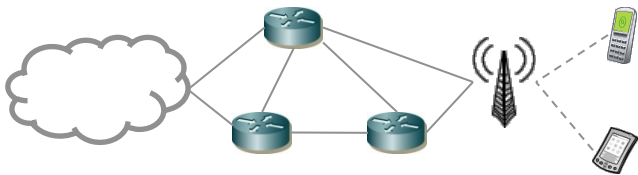
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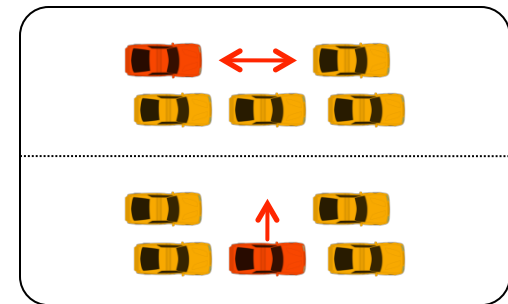
- Bidirectional coupling
 - ➔ Network traffic can influence road traffic

Network Simulation



D. Bidirect.
coupling

Road Traffic Simulation



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Modeling Road Traffic



● Road traffic microsimulation

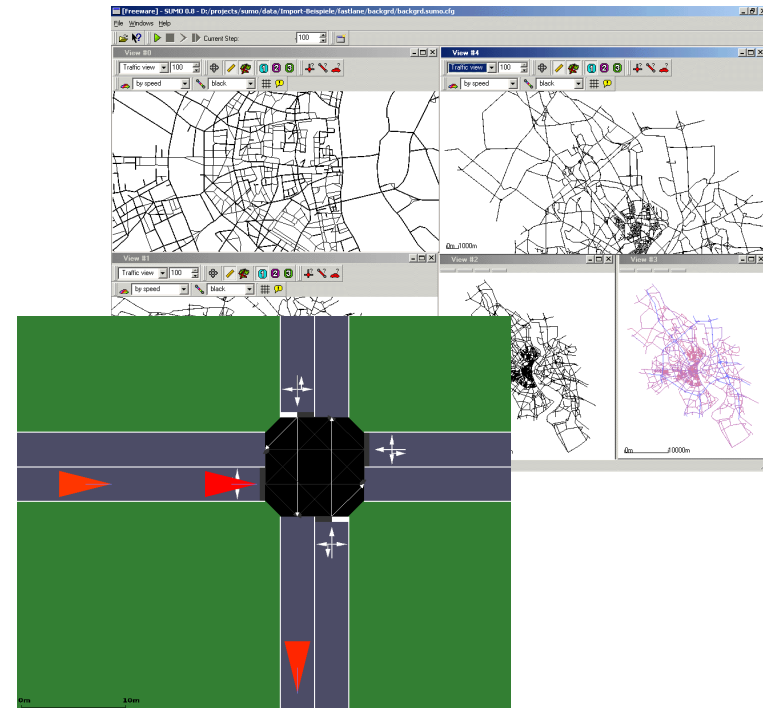
- ➔ Ex.: SUMO – Simulation of Urban Mobility
- ➔ Time discrete microsimulation

➔ Car following models (Krauss, IDM)

➔ Lane change models

➔ Road topology

- Speed limits
- Traffic lights
- Access restrictions
- Turn restrictions
- ...



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Modeling Car Following

● Krauss car following model

- ➔ Maximum velocity v_{\max} \Leftrightarrow safe gap g_{des} \Leftrightarrow dawdle factor ϵ

$$v_{\text{safe}} = v_l + \frac{g - g_{\text{des}}}{\tau_b + \tau}$$

$$v_{\text{des}} = \min \{ v_{\max}; v + a\Delta t; v_{\text{safe}} \}$$

$$v(t + \Delta t) = \max \{ 0; v_{\text{des}} - \eta \}$$

$$\eta = \text{rand} [0, \epsilon a]$$

● Intelligent Driver Model (IDM)

- ➔ Desired velocity v_{des} \Leftrightarrow safe distance s^*

$$s^* = s_0 + s_1 \sqrt{\frac{v}{v_0}} + vT + \frac{v\Delta v}{2\sqrt{ab}}$$

$$\dot{v} = a \left(1 - \left(\frac{v}{v_0} \right)^\delta - \left(\frac{s^*}{s} \right)^2 \right)$$

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Simulation Frameworks

- Examples of coupled simulation frameworks
 - ➔ IDM/MOBIL \Rightarrow OMNeT++/INET [1]
 - ➔ VGSim: VISSIM traces \Rightarrow ns-2 [2]
- Examples of bidirectionally coupled frameworks
 - ➔ Veins: SUMO \Leftrightarrow OMNeT++/MiXiM [3]
 - ➔ TraNS: SUMO \Leftrightarrow ns-2 [4]
 - ➔ NCTUns (hand-made simulator) [5]
 - ➔ iTETRIS: SUMO \Leftrightarrow ns-3
 - ➔ VSimRTI: VISSIM \Leftrightarrow JiST/SWANS

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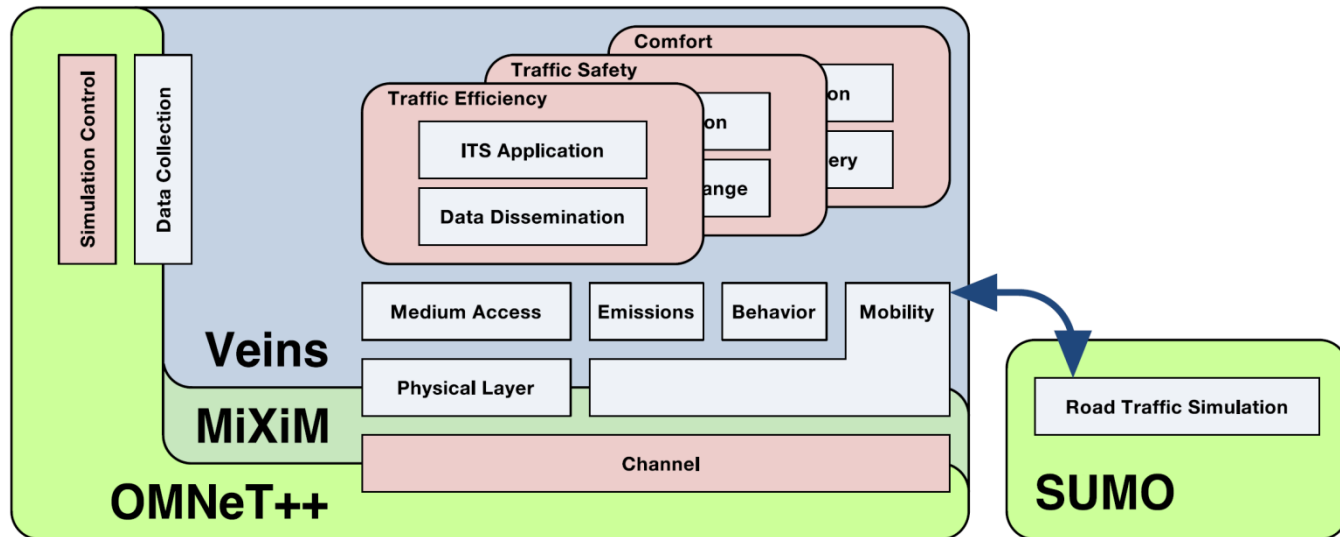
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Veins



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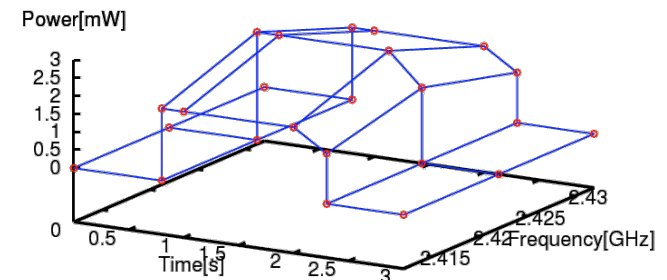


● OMNeT++

- ➔ Discrete-Event Simulation (DES) kernel
 - Simulate model's reaction to queue of events
- ➔ Main use case: network simulation
 - e.g., MANETs, Sensor nodes

● MiXiM

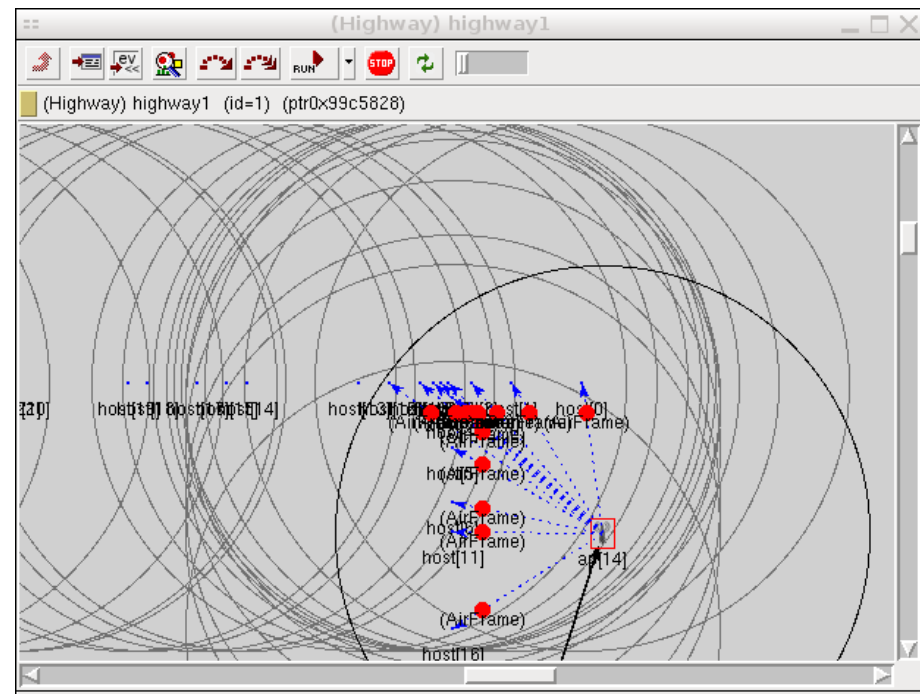
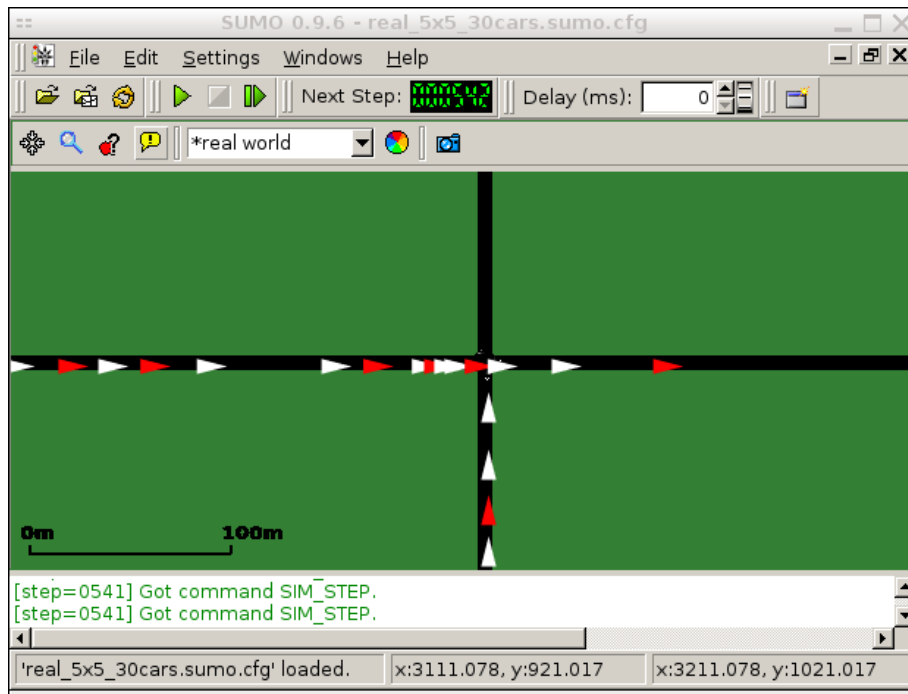
- ➔ Model library for OMNeT++ for PHY layer and mobility support
- ➔ Event scheduling
- ➔ Signal propagation
- ➔ SINR / bit error calculation
- ➔ Radio switching
- ➔ ...



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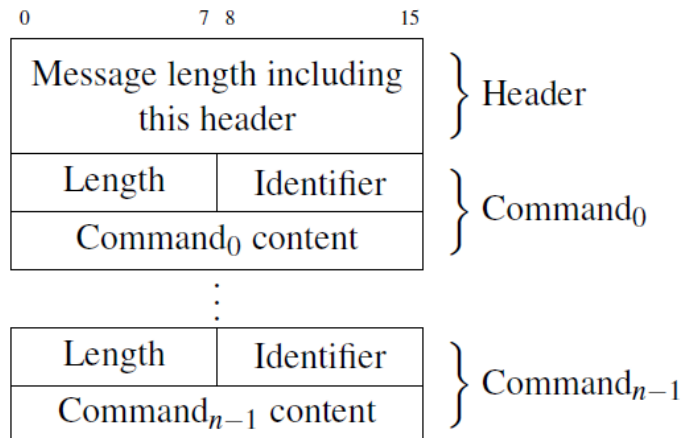
Veins

- Coupling OMNeT++ and SUMO
 - ➔ Synchronize time steps
 - ➔ Exchange commands and status information



Veins

- Traffic Control Interface (TraCI)
 - ➔ Generic API
 - ➔ Exchange commands via TCP connection
- Simple request-response protocol

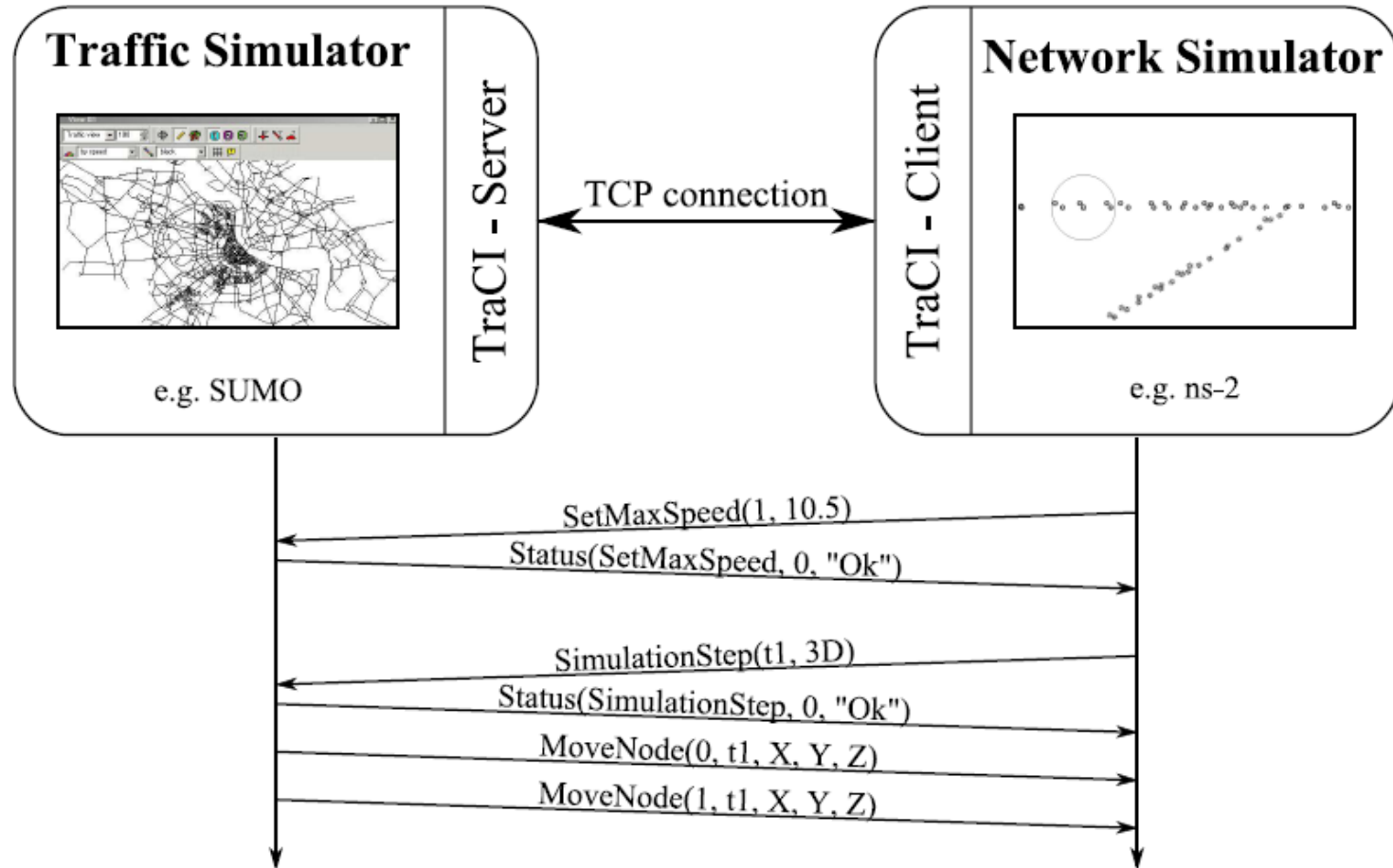


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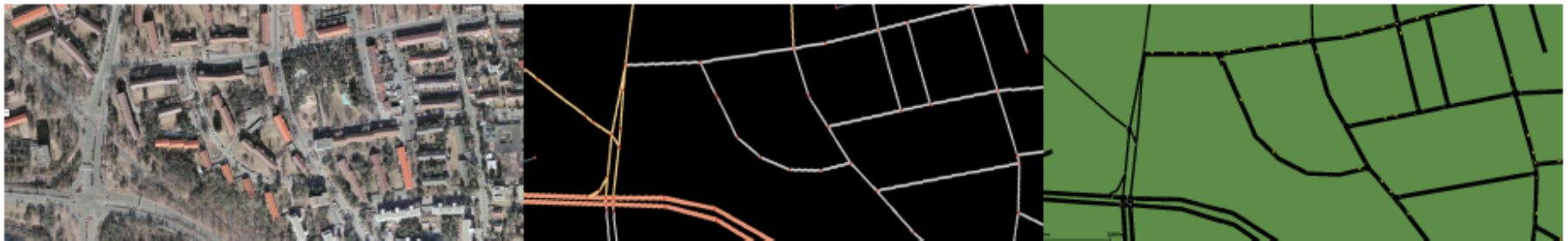
Veins

● TraCI: Message Sequence Chart



Simulation Scenarios

- Freely available road topology information
 - ➔ Geodatabase of OpenStreetMap project





WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON

Platooning (a.k.a. The Road Train)

- Aims of platooning:
 - solve traffic congestion problems
 - decrease pollution
 - increase safety
 - decrease severe injuries/deaths
 - avoid wasting driving time



Illustrations: PATH and SARTRE projects

Platooning

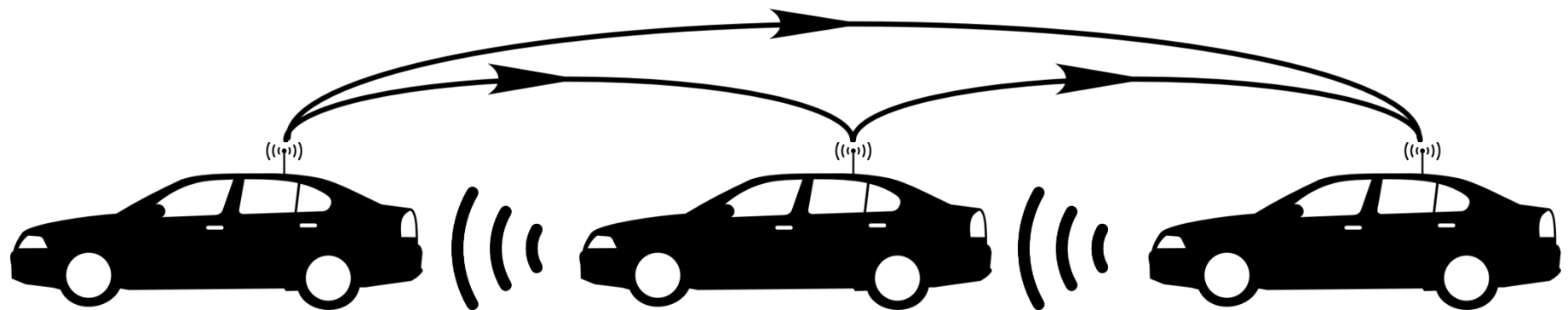
Time for another Video!
Volvo SARTRE Project

Controllers for Automated Car Following

- ACC – Radar based: distance $d = T * v$ with $T > 1s$



- CACC – Radar + IVC: distance $d = d_{des}$ (fixed)

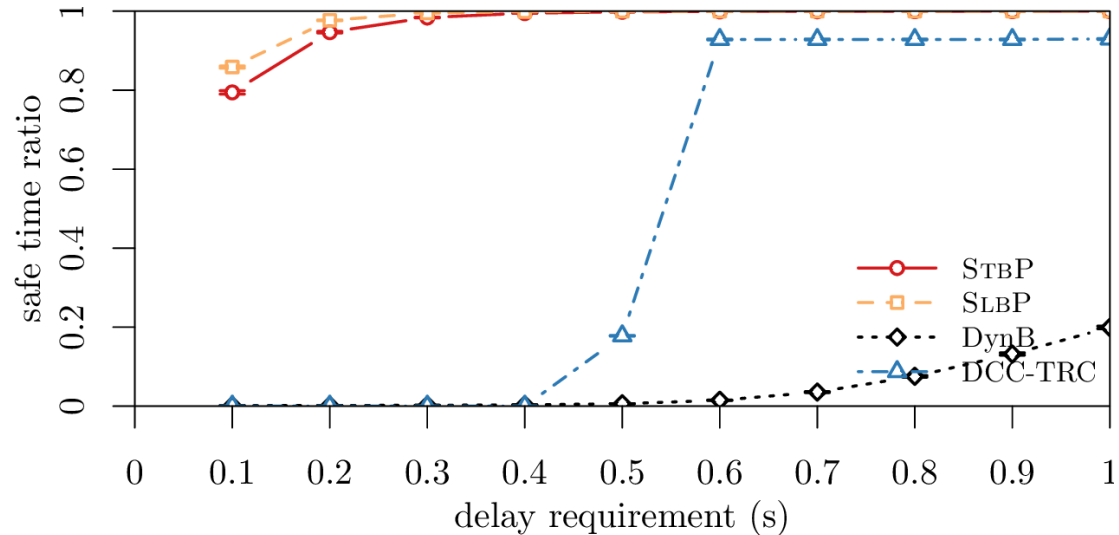
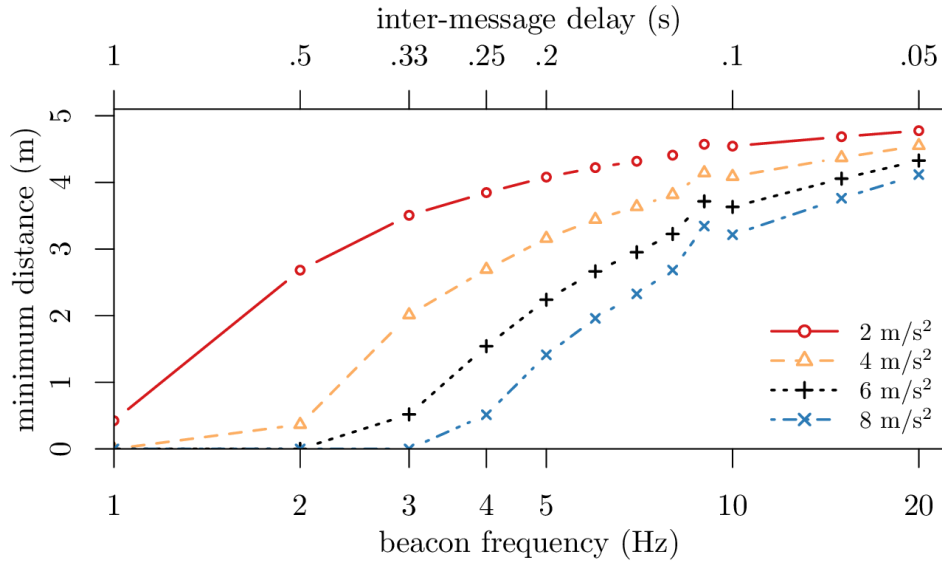


Networking Related Problems

- What happens if... ?
 - can an 802.11p-based network support platooning?
 - can we design a communication protocol that can cope with such situations?




Combining Tx Power Control with TDMA



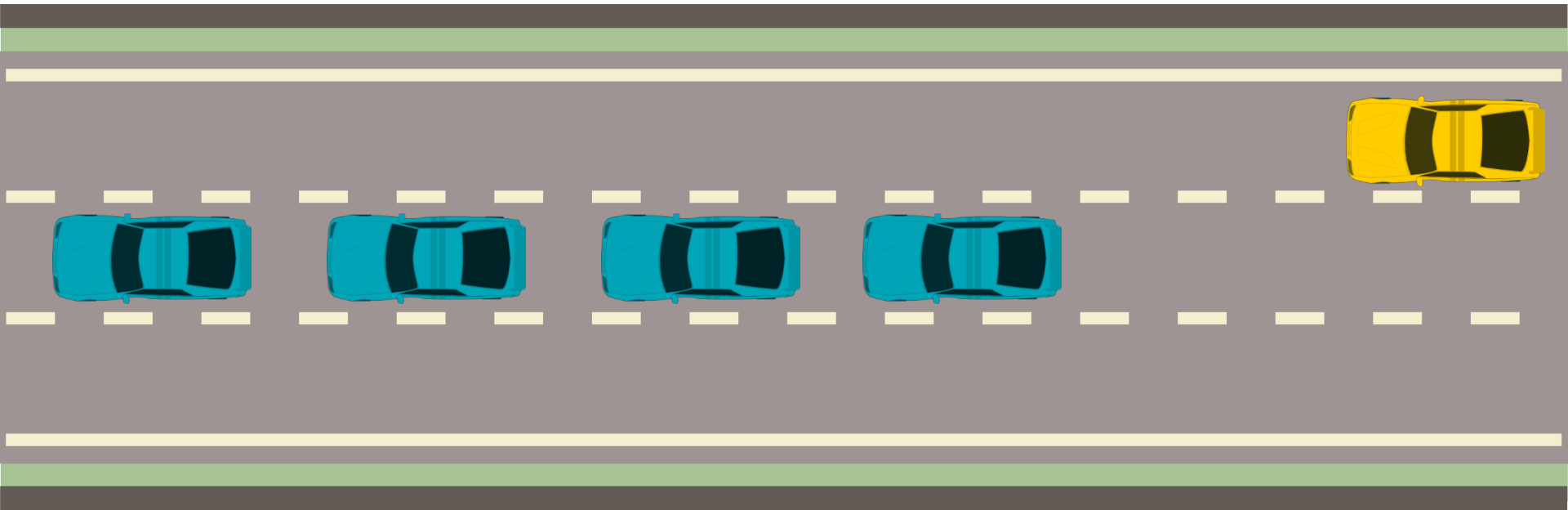
Infrastructure and Management Paradigms

- Centralized automated highway system (California PATH)
 - ➔ dedicated road infrastructure
 - ➔ AHS dictates positions, speeds, actions, etc...
 - ➔ 100% market penetration rate

- Shared infrastructure (Volvo SARTRE) 
 - ➔ road is shared with non-automated vehicles
 - ➔ platoons are autonomous
 - ➔ leading vehicle driven by professional driver (or self driven car?)
 - ➔ progressive introduction

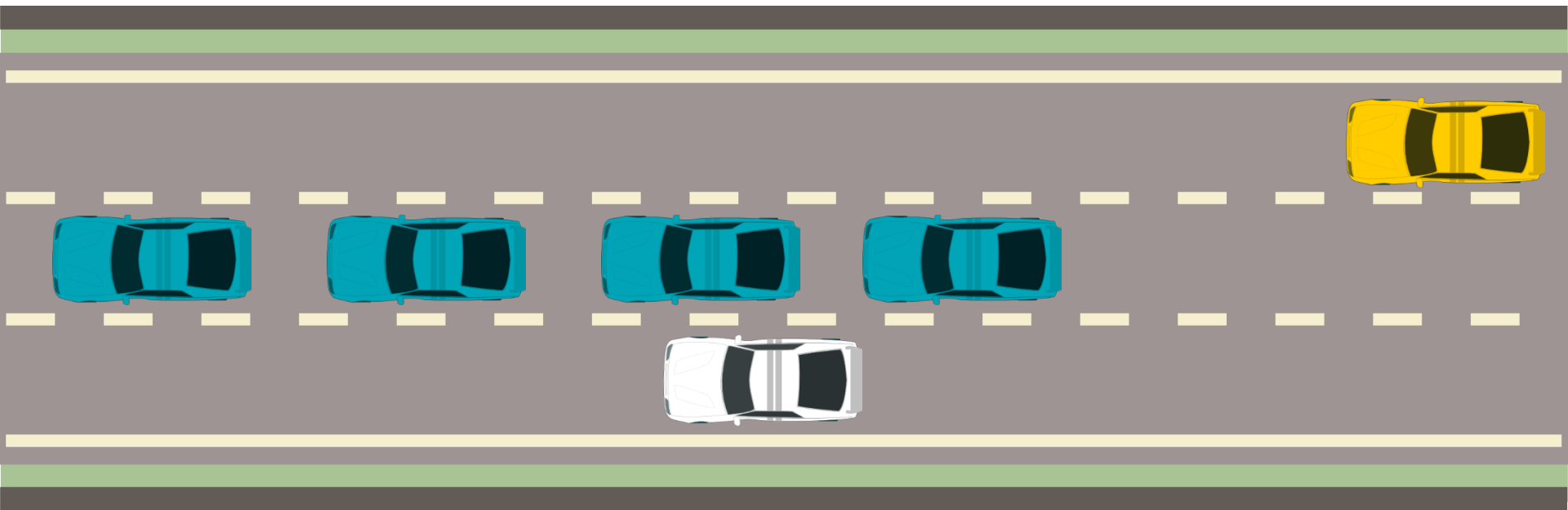
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- Join-at-middle:



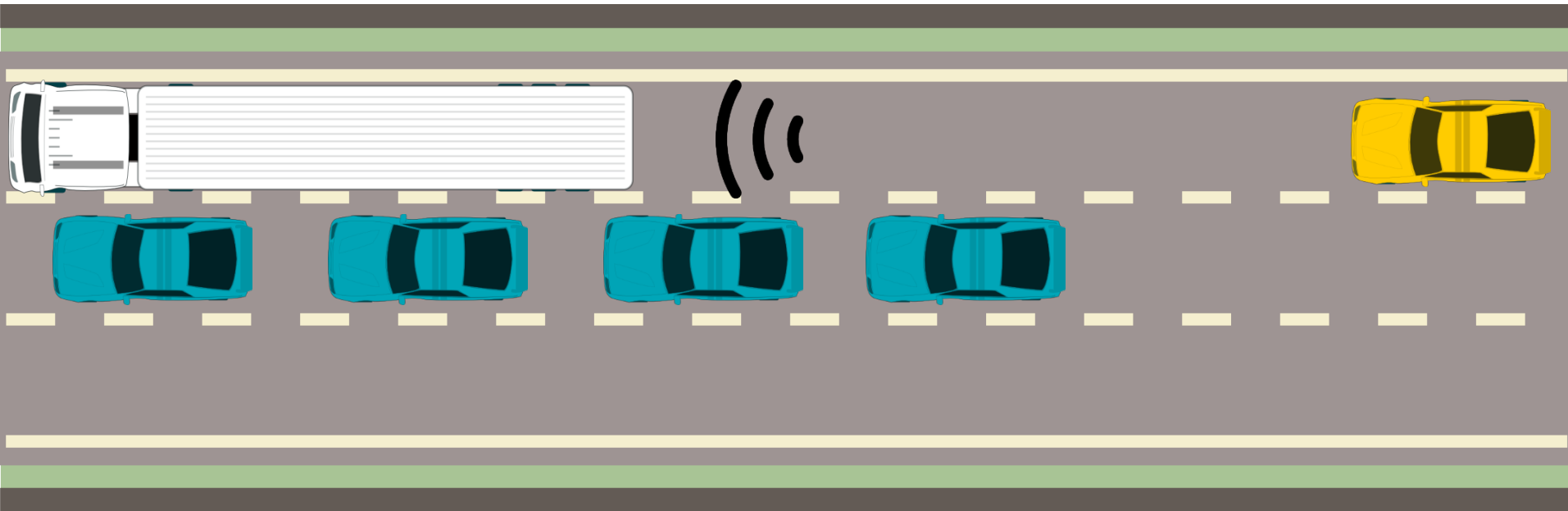
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- Join-at-middle: human-driven car interference



Maneuvers in Mixed Roads: the Open Problem

- Join-at-middle: slow vehicle interference





MASTER THESIS

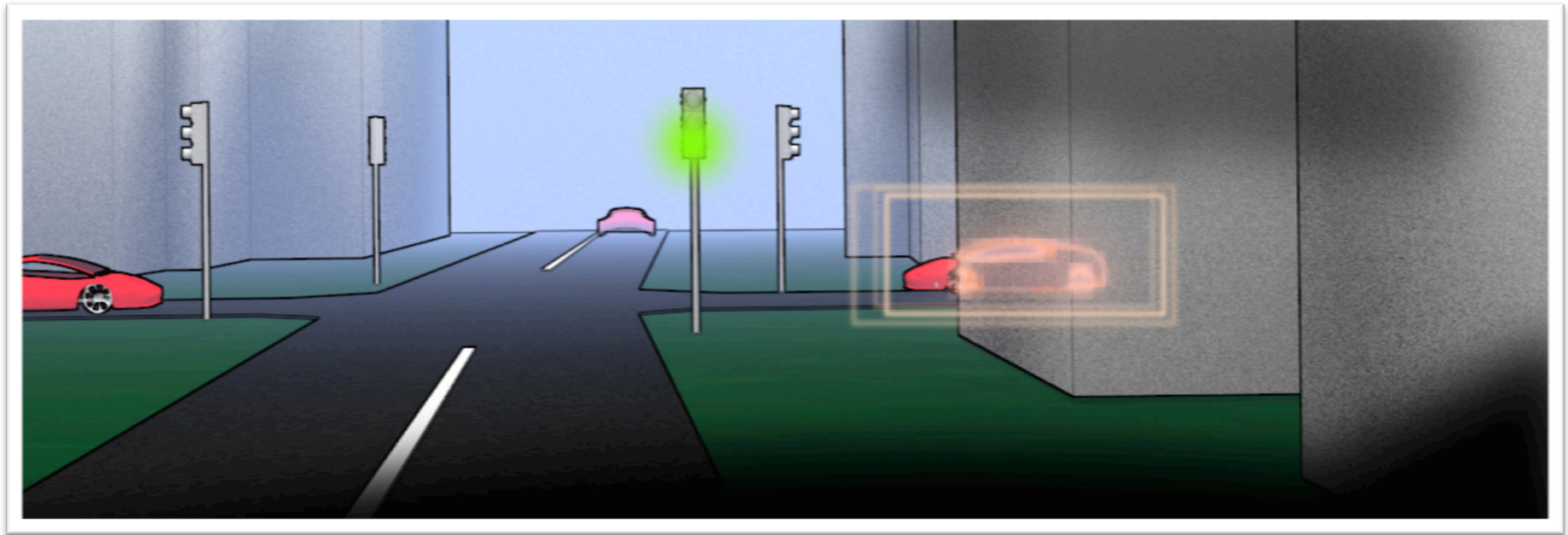
Possible Thesis Topics

- Platooning (with us in Trento)
 - ➔ network related problems
 - ➔ development of application layer protocol for maneuvers



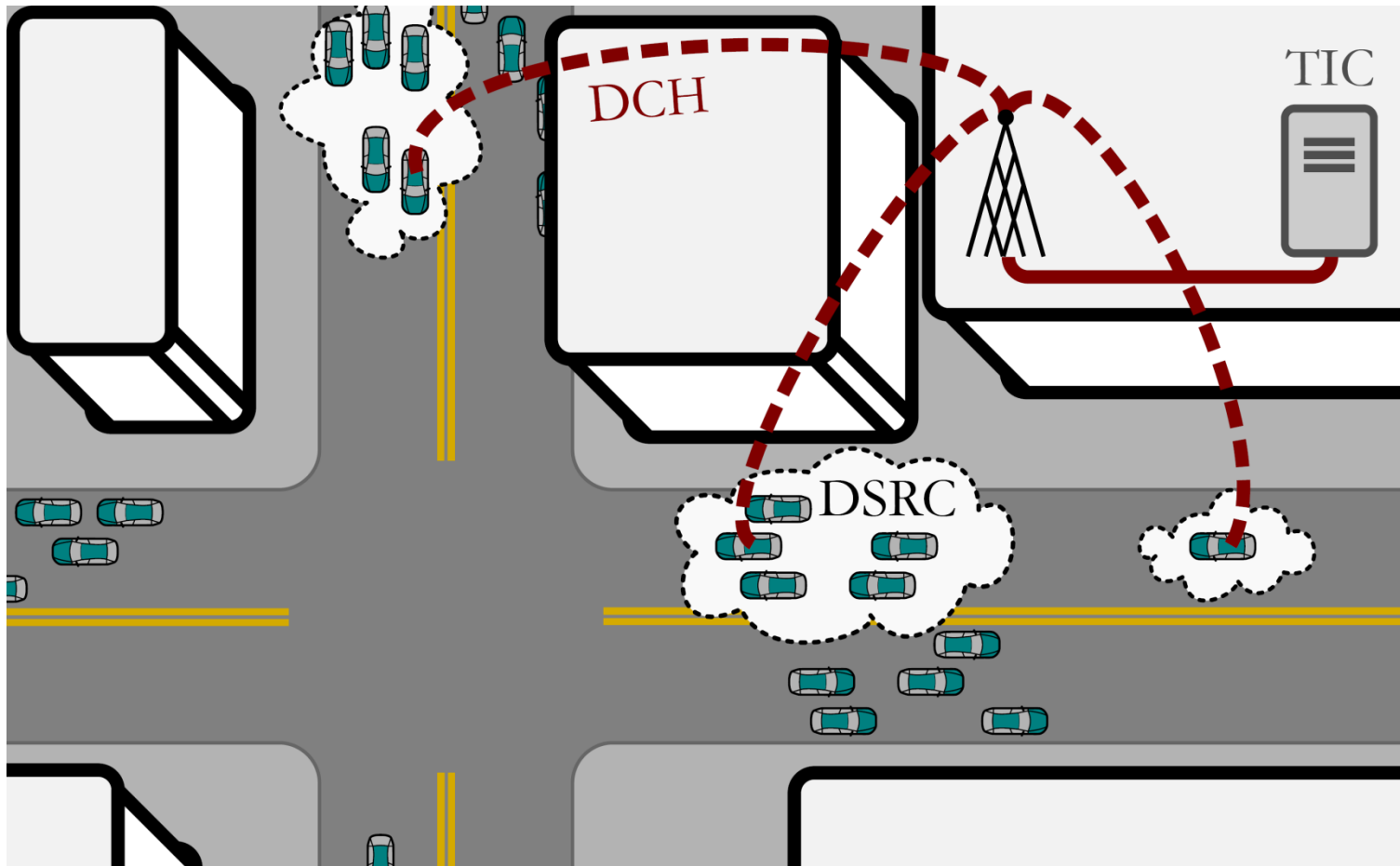
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- Intersection Collision Avoidance (w/ Stefan Joerer)



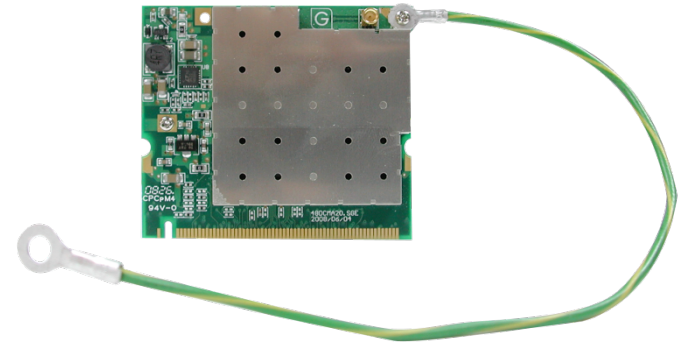
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- Simulation of Heterogeneous Network (LTE + 802.11p)



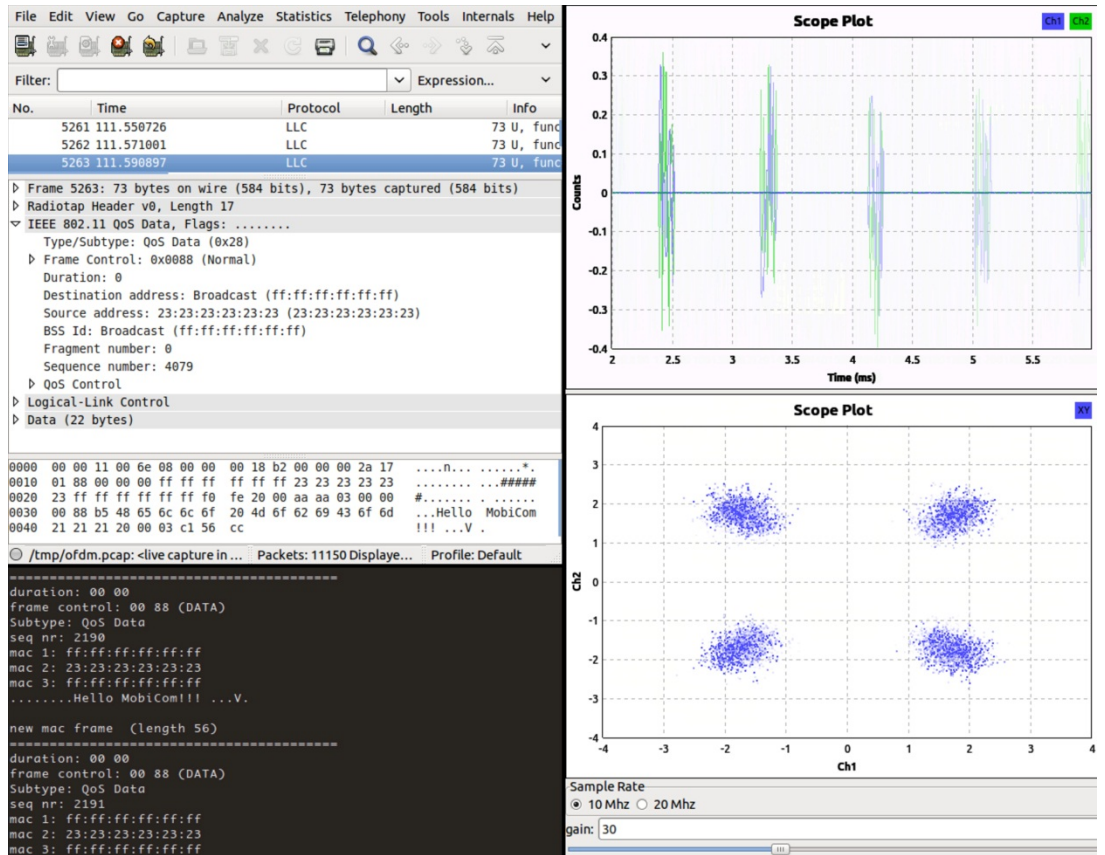
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- Hands on hardware (w/ us and University of Paderborn)



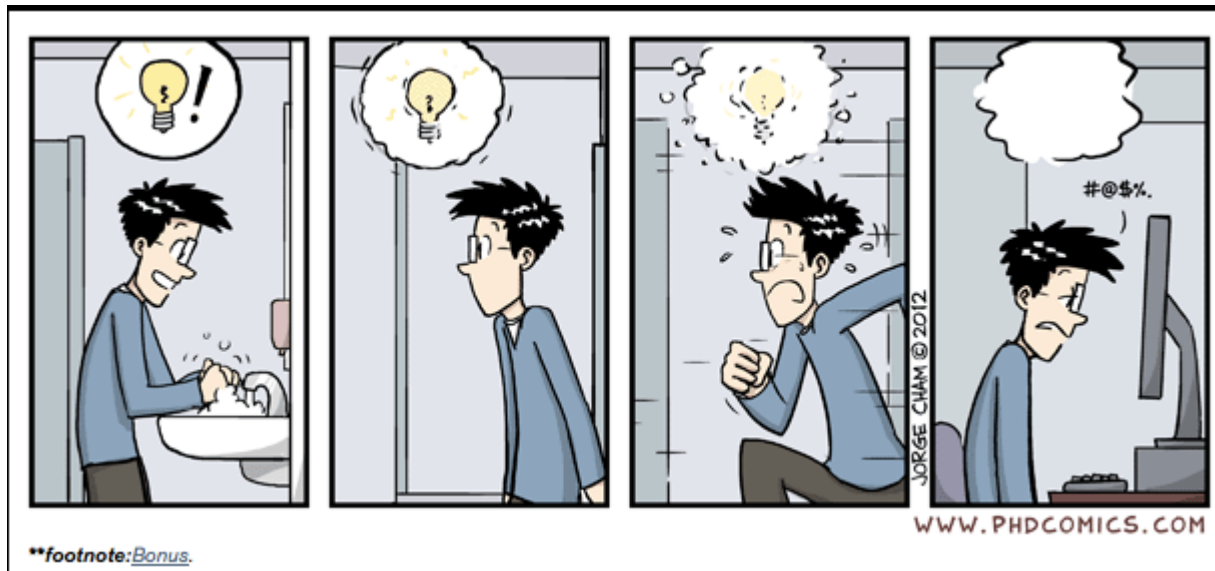
Possible Thesis Topics

- Software Defined Radios (with Bastian Bloessl)
 - ➔ tougher and more complicated to organize but...



Possible Thesis Topics

- Your ideas are welcome!





Thank you
Any question?