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Mobile & Wireless Networking

Lecture 1:
Introduction & Wireless Transmission (1/2)

[Schiller, Section 1 & Section 2.1 - 2.5]

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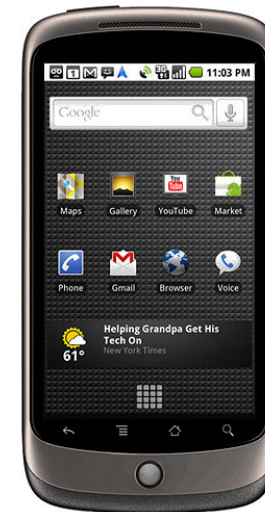
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Why Mobile and Wireless Networking?

- Largest SW/HW/networked system
- Largest number of subscribers
- Mobile devices dominate the Internet
- Mobile applications dominate Internet usage
- New possibilities, new threats
- Technology fully integrated into everybody's life almost 24/7, almost anywhere



Mobile & Wireless Networking

❑ Mobile

- ❑ user can use network services while moving
 - w.r.t. point of attachment to network
 - Usually user is moving with his/her networking device

❑ Wireless

- ❑ communications without using a wire
 - directly between two user nodes, or
 - (often) between user node and access point connected to the fixed (wired) network

❑ Networking

- ❑ roughly, all architectures, protocols, and algorithms at the
 - link layer (mostly medium access control, MAC)
 - network layer, and
 - transport layer
 - (we will briefly address physical layer as well)

What is different in wireless networks?

- ❑ Higher loss-rates
- ❑ Restrictive spectrum regulations
- ❑ Lower transmission rates
- ❑ Higher delays, higher jitter
- ❑ Lower security
- ❑ Shared and unbound medium
- ❑ Mobility
 - ❑ change of point of attachment to network
 - ❑ how to find a user / device
- ❑ Limitations of access devices
 - ❑ battery power

Course Outline (Mobile & Wireless Networking, M&WN)

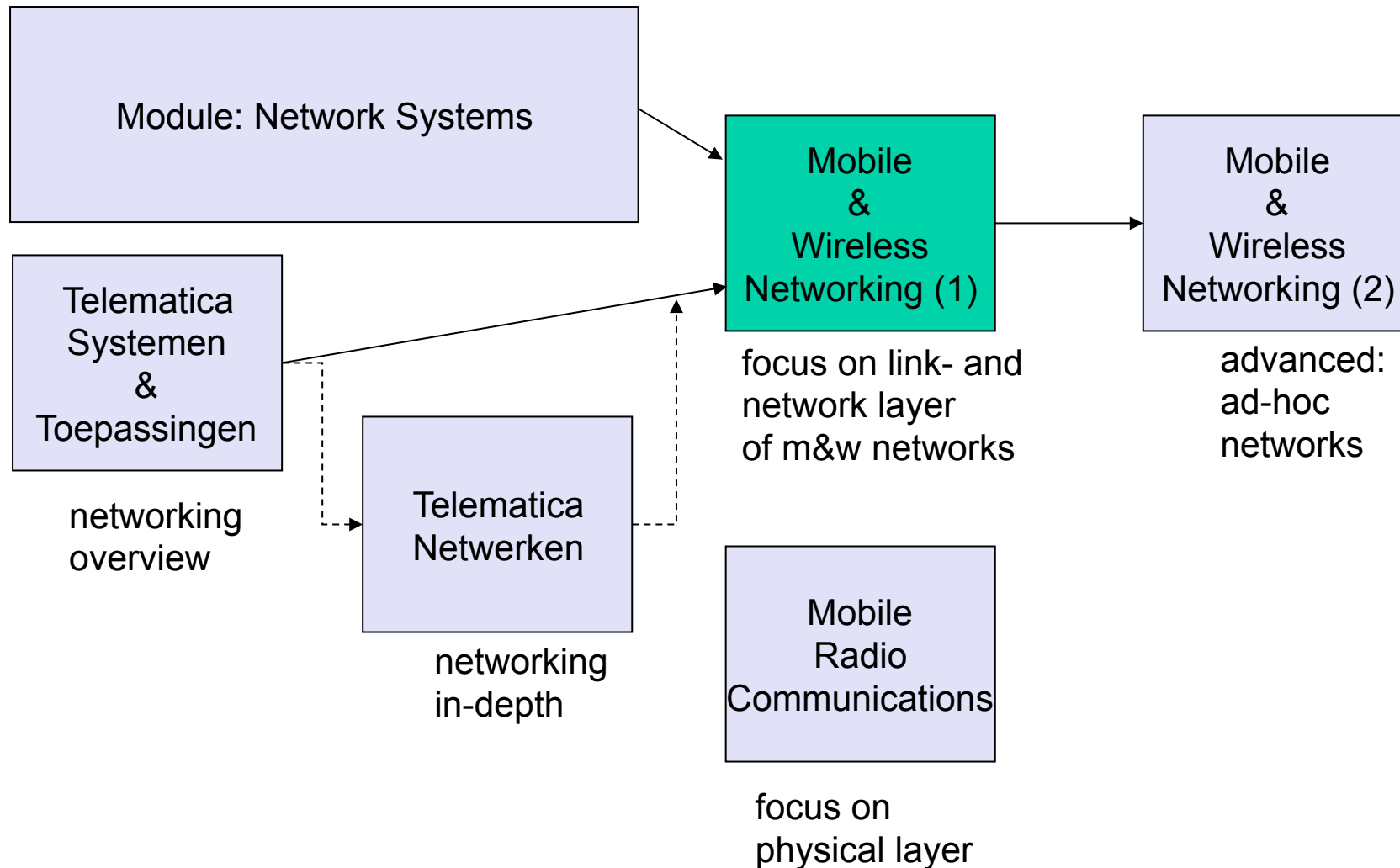
Basic principles:

- Physical layer: propagation, multiplexing, modulation, spread spectrum, OFDM
- MAC layer: hidden terminals, medium access, random access, CDMA, Hybrid ARQ
- Cellular concepts: cell layout, interference
- Dealing with mobility: handover, mobility management
- Transport layer: problems with TCP over wireless
- Ad-hoc networks: problems of ad-hoc routing

Systems:

- Cellular: UMTS, LTE
- Wireless LAN: IEEE 802.11a/b/g/e/n/ac
- Low power / short range systems: Bluetooth, Zigbee
- Mobile IP: + Hierarchical Mobile IP, Fast Handovers for Mobile IP
- Ad-hoc routing: DSDV, DSR, AODV

Positioning Mobile & Wireless Networking



Course organization

See: <http://www.cs.utwente.nl/~heijenk/mwn>

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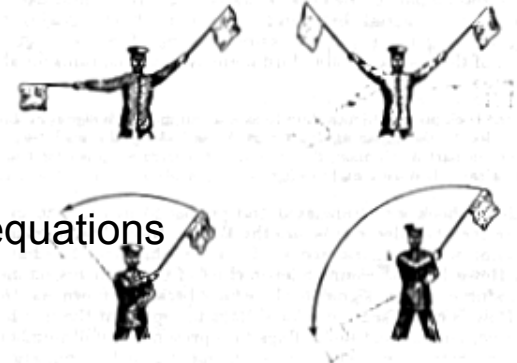
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History of wireless communication

Many people in history used light for communication

Discovery of electromagnetic waves

- ❑ 1831 Faraday demonstrates electromagnetic induction
- ❑ 1864 J. Maxwell theory of electromagnetic fields, wave equations
- ❑ 1886 H. Hertz demonstration of the wave character of electrical transmission



Hertz: *"It's of no use whatsoever[...] this is just an experiment that proves Maestro Maxwell was right - we just have these mysterious electromagnetic waves that we cannot see with the naked eye. But they are there."*

- 1895 Guglielmo Marconi, first demonstration of wireless telegraphy (long wave)
- 1907 Commercial transatlantic connections
- 1915 Wireless voice transmission New York - San Francisco
- 1920 Marconi, discovery of short waves
- 1928 many TV broadcast trials (across Atlantic, color TV, TV news)
- 1933 Frequency modulation (E. H. Armstrong)

History of wireless communication II

- 1956 First mobile phone system in Sweden
- 1972 B-Netz in Germany
- 1979 NMT at 450MHz (Scandinavian countries)
- 1982 Start of GSM-specification
 - » goal: pan-European digital mobile phone system with roaming
- 1992 Start of GSM
- 1997 Wireless LAN - IEEE802.11
- 1998 Specification of UMTS
(Universal Mobile Telecommunication System)
- 1998 Iridium: portable satellite telephony
- 1999 IEEE Standard 802.11b, 2.4 GHz, 11 Mbit/s
Bluetooth, 2.4 GHz, < 1 Mbit/s

History of wireless communication III

- 2001 Start of 3G (Japan)
UMTS trials in Europe
- 2002 Start of UMTS in Europe
IEEE 802.11g
mobile subscribers overtake fixed-line subscribers worldwide
1 billion cellular subscribers
- 2004 UMTS launch in Netherlands
- 2007 Introduction of iPhone
- 2009 IEEE 802.11n standard
(December) First LTE Network (Stockholm / Oslo)
- 2012 6 billion cellular subscribers
- 2013 LTE launch in Netherlands (KPN, February, Amsterdam)

Current wireless technologies (1/2)

- ❑ Telecommunication Systems
 - ❑ initial / primary service: mobile voice telephony
 - ❑ large coverage per access point (100s of meters - 10s of kilometers)
 - ❑ low - moderate data rate (10s of kbit/s – 10s of Mbits/s)
 - ❑ Examples: GSM, UMTS, LTE
- ❑ WLAN
 - ❑ initial service: wireless ethernet extension
 - ❑ moderate coverage per access point (10s of meters - 100s of meters)
 - ❑ moderate - high data rate (Mbits/s - 100s of Mbits/s)
 - ❑ Examples: IEEE 802.11b, a, g, n, ac.
- ❑ Short-range
- ❑ Other systems

Current wireless technologies (2/2)

Short-range

- ❑ direct connection between devices (< 10s of meters)
- ❑ typical low power usage
- ❑ examples: Bluetooth, ZigBee

Other systems

- ❑ Satellite systems
 - global coverage,
 - applications
 - audio/TV broadcast; positioning
 - personal communications
- ❑ Broadcast systems
 - satellite/terrestrial
 - DVB, DAB (Support of high speeds for mobiles)
- ❑ Fixed wireless access
 - several technologies (DECT, WLAN, IEEE802.16 (11-60GHz))
- ❑ DECT
 - Digital Enhanced Cordless Telecommunication
- ❑ TETRA
 - Terrestrial Trunked Radio
 - Netherlands: C2000 system

Standardization

- ❑ 3GPP (3G partnership project)
 - ❑ GSM
 - ❑ UMTS
 - ❑ LTE
 - ❑ Specifications: <http://www.3gpp.org/-specifications->
- ❑ IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers)
 - ❑ 802.11 (Wireless LAN: WiFi)
 - ❑ 802.15 (Wireless PAN: Bluetooth, Zigbee)
 - ❑ 802.16 (Broadband Wireless Access: WiMAX))
 - ❑ Standards: <http://standards.ieee.org/about/get/802/802.html>
- ❑ IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force)
 - ❑ Mobile IP
 - ❑ TCP
 - ❑ AODV
 - ❑ Requests for Comments (RFCs): <http://www.ietf.org/rfc.html>

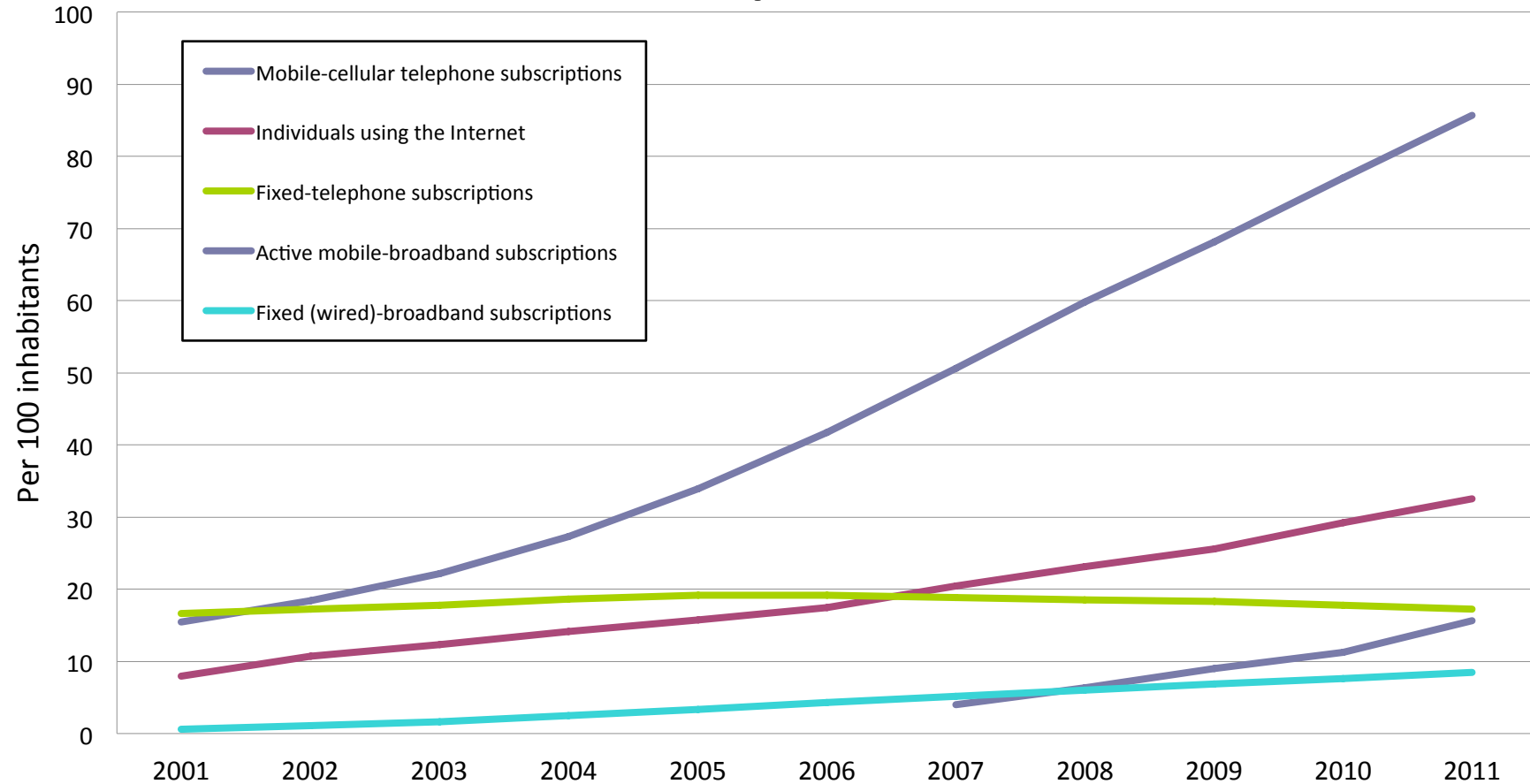
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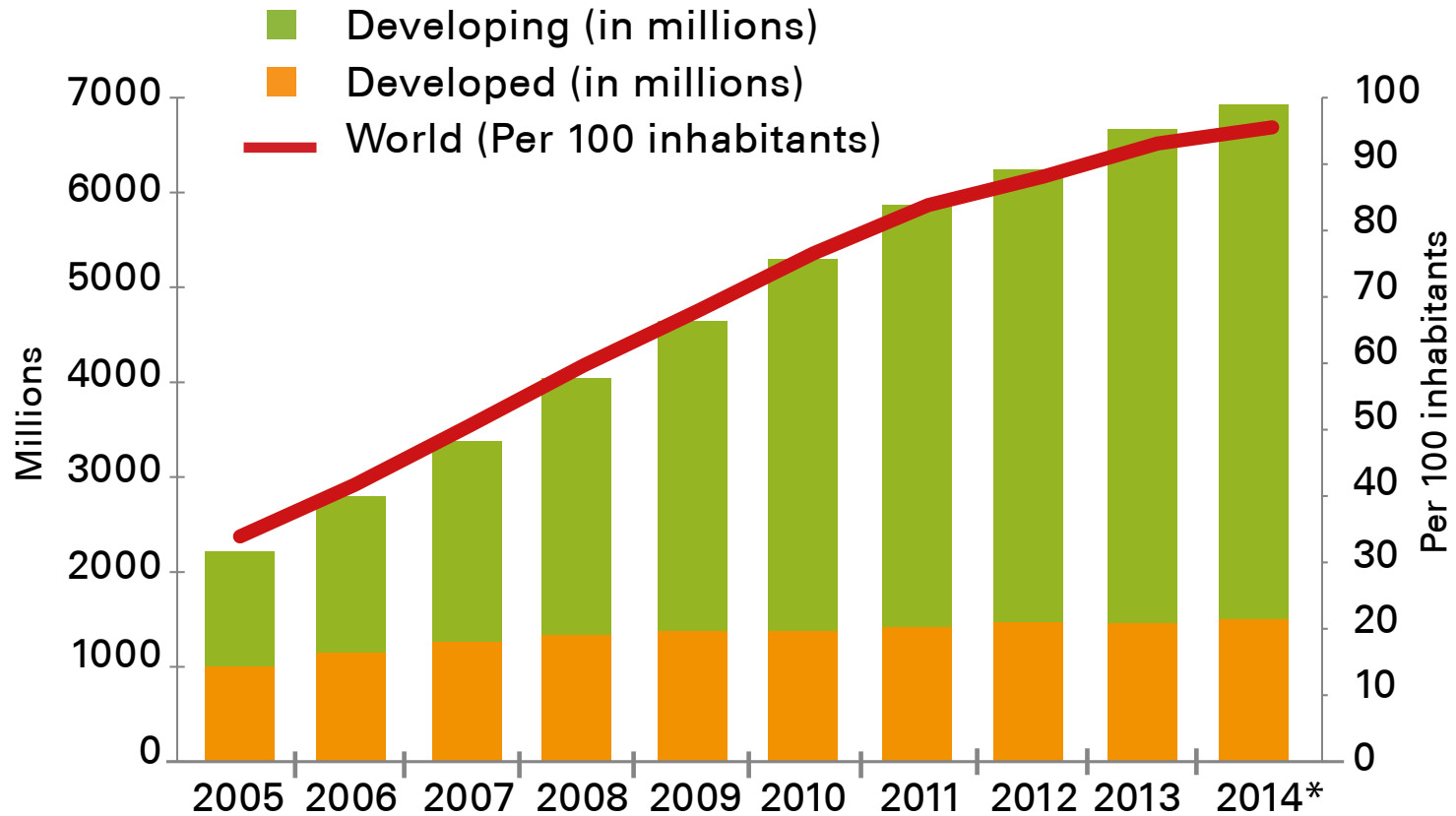
Mobile subscriptions

Global ICT developments, 2001-2011



Source: ITU World Telecommunication /ICT Indicators database

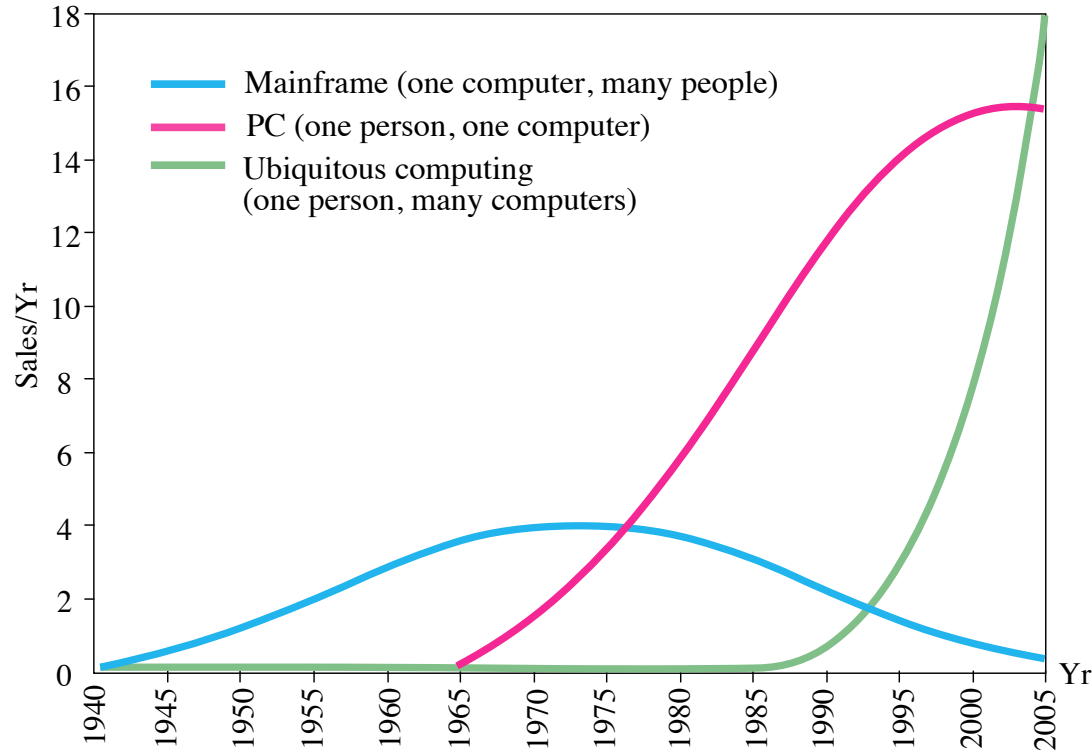
Mobile-cellular subscriptions total and per 100 inhabitants



Note: * Estimate

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Trends in computing



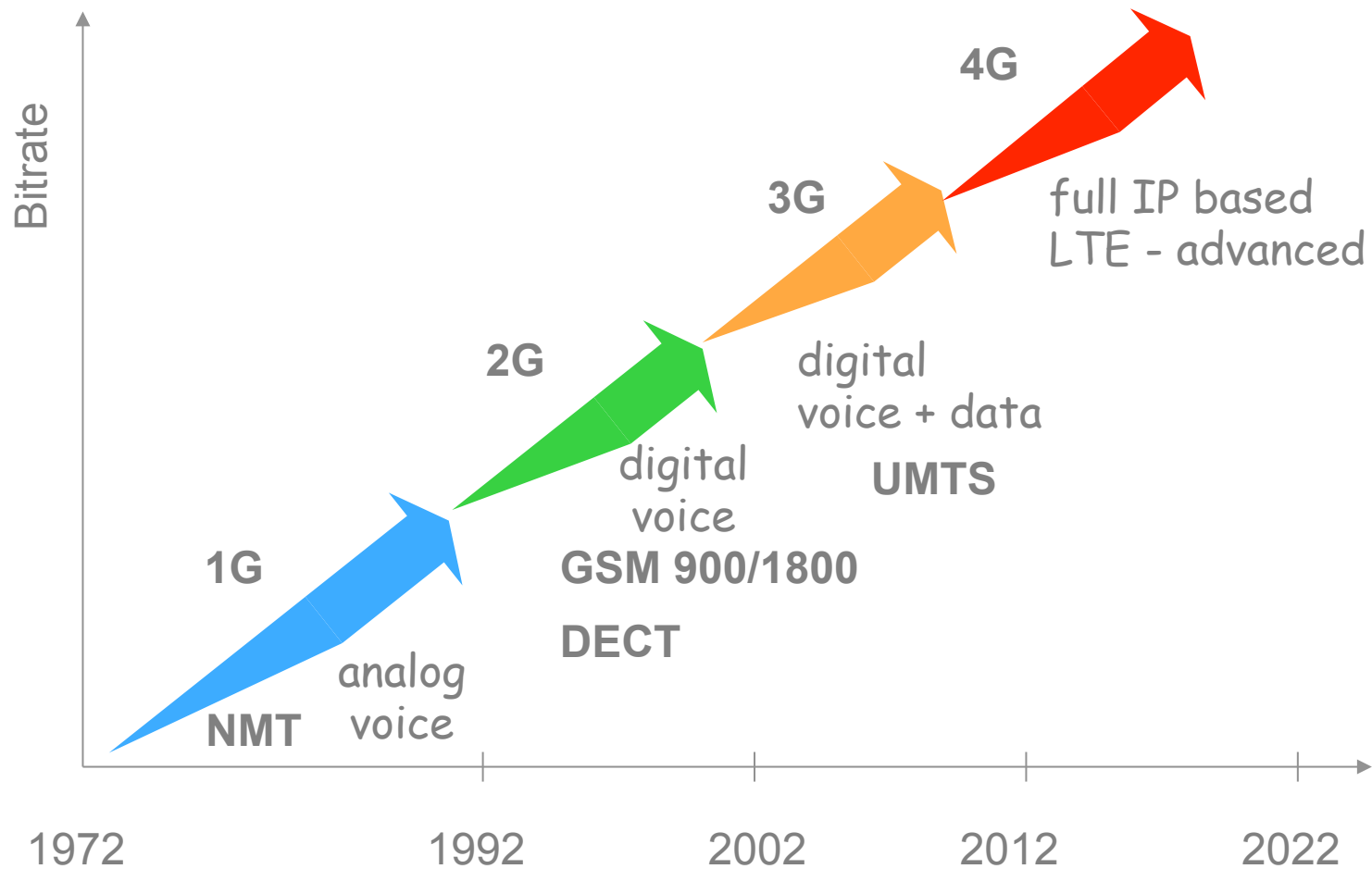
A proliferation of small, low-cost, embedded devices incorporating computing and communication capabilities

Moving towards pervasive computing

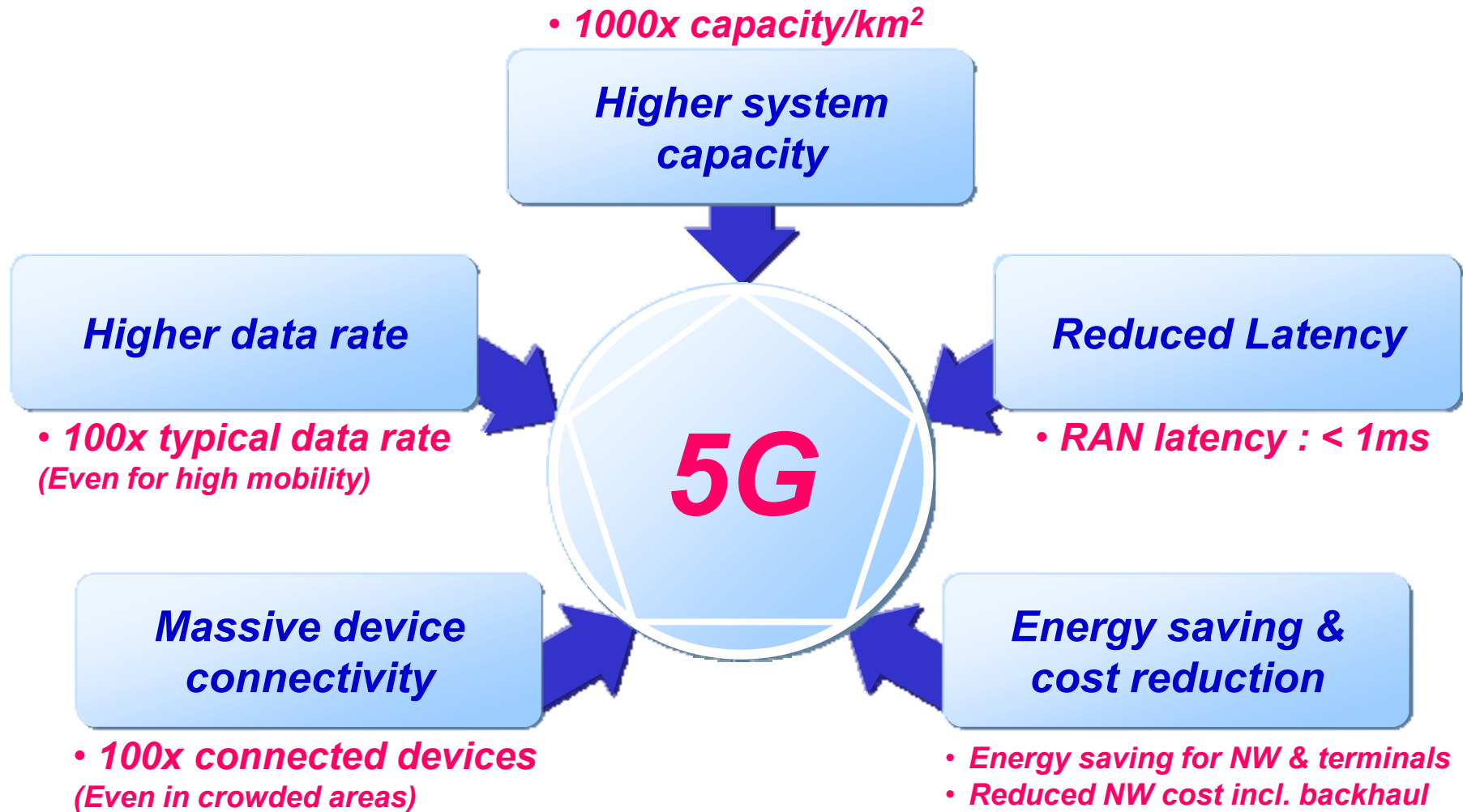
Source: Presentation by Marc Weiser "Nomadic issues in Ubiquitous computing", Xerox, Palo Alto. Research Center, 1996.



Evolution of mobile cellular systems

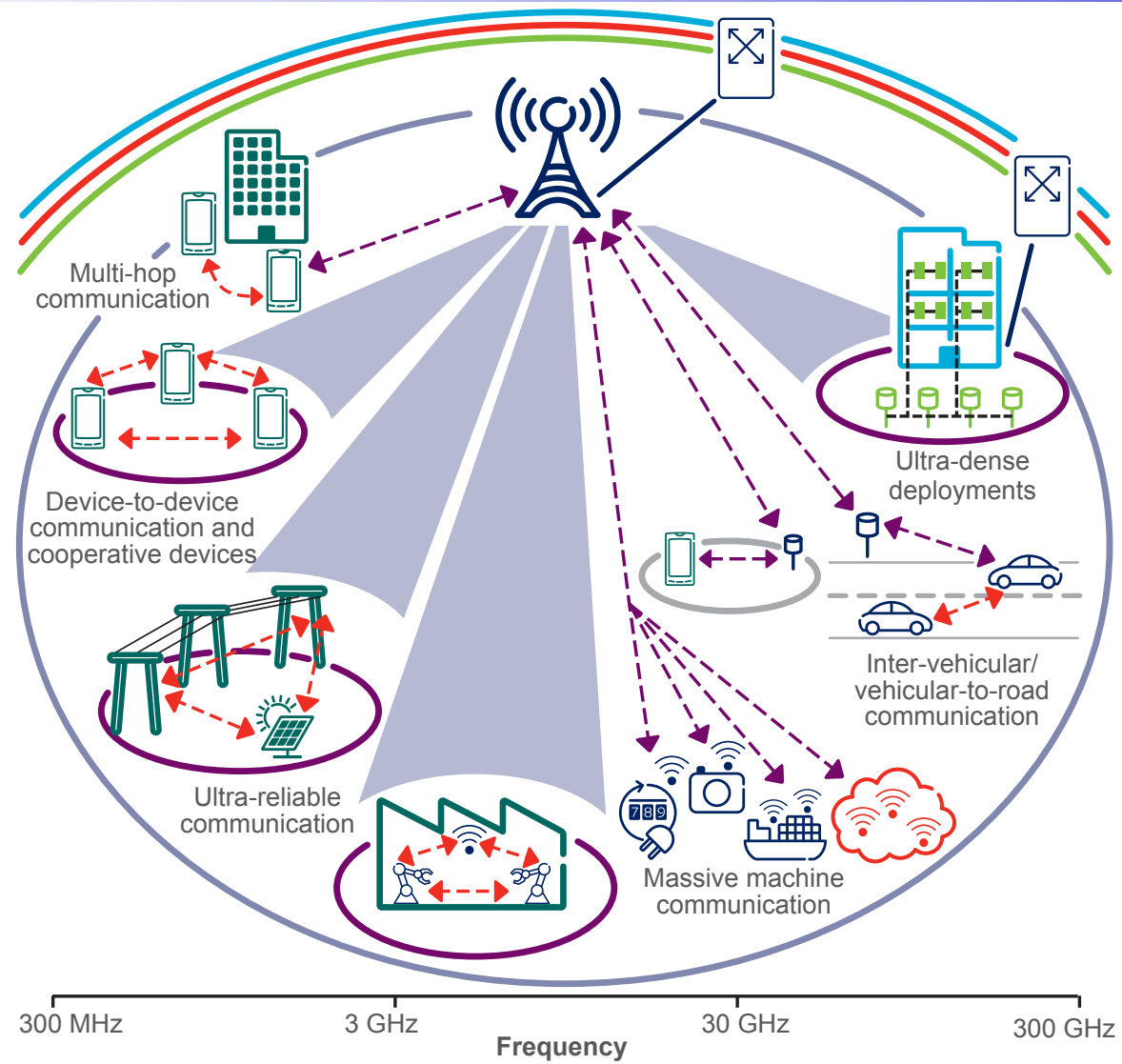


Towards 5G (1/2)



Source: 5G Radio Access: Requirements, Concept and Technologies, NTT DoCoMo, 2014.

Towards 5G (2/2)



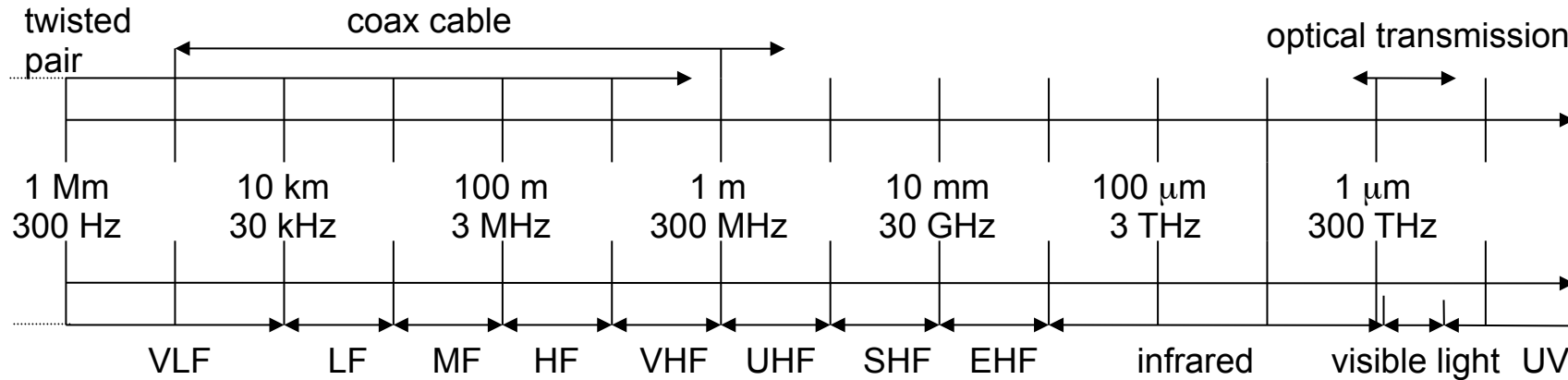
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Frequencies for communication



VLF = Very Low Frequency
 LF = Low Frequency
 MF = Medium Frequency
 HF = High Frequency
 VHF = Very High Frequency

UHF = Ultra High Frequency
 SHF = Super High Frequency
 EHF = Extra High Frequency
 UV = Ultraviolet Light

Frequency and wave length:

$$\lambda = c/f$$

wave length λ , speed of light $c \cong 3 \times 10^8 \text{m/s}$, frequency f

UNITED STATES FREQUENCY ALLOCATIONS THE RADIO SPECTRUM

RADIO SERVICES COLOR LEGEND

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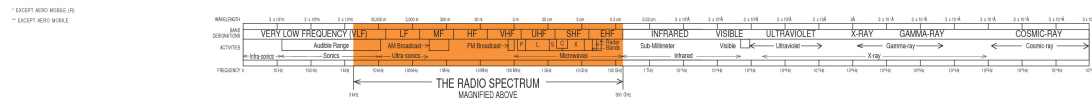
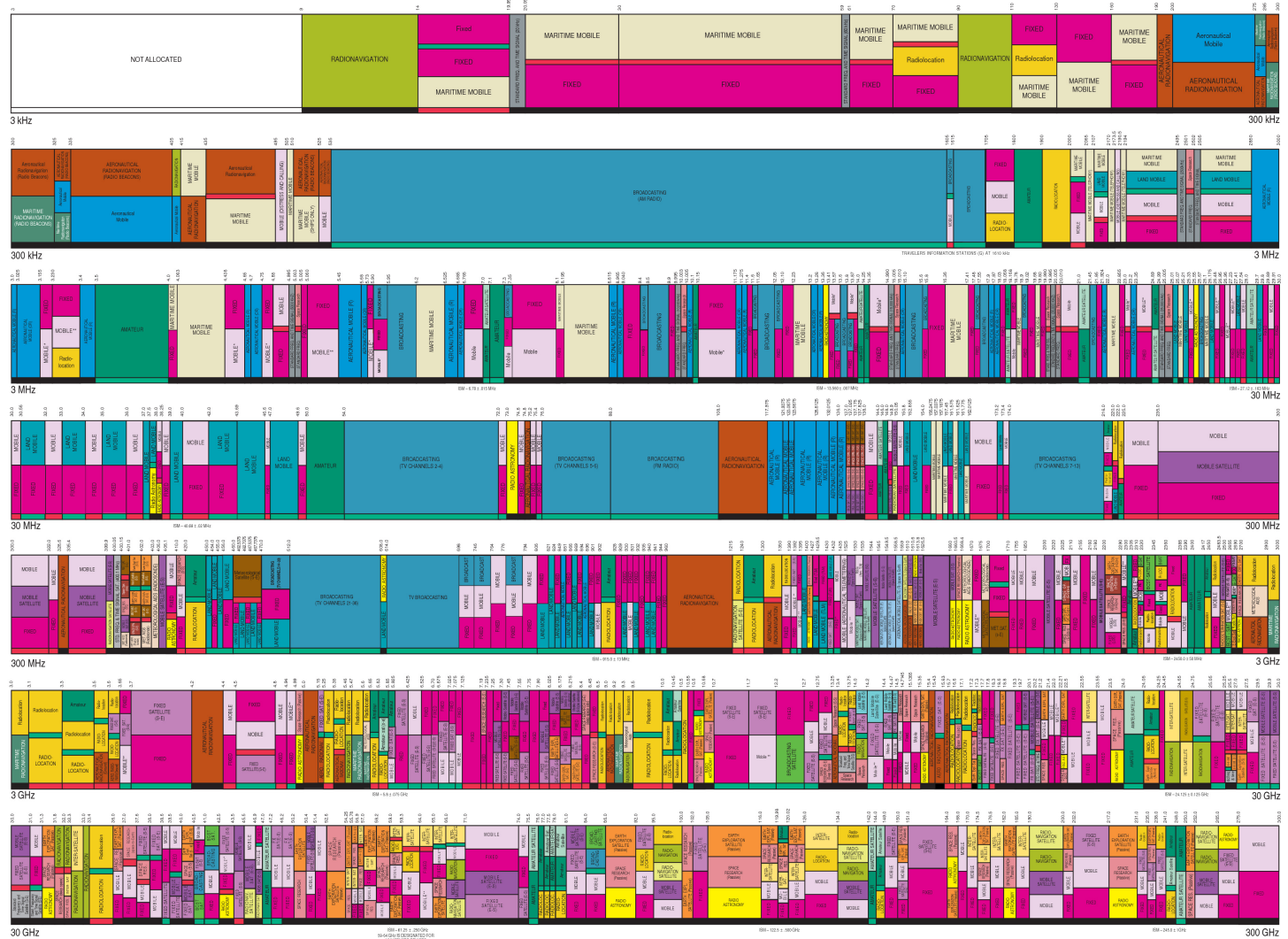
ALLOCATION USAGE DESIGNATION

| SERVICE | EXAMPLE | DESCRIPTION |
|-----------|---------|-------------------------------------|
| Primary | F1E2 | Capitol Letters |
| Secondary | M2B1 | 1st Capital with lower case letters |

This chart is a graphic engraving of the frequency allocations used by the FCC and NTIA. It does not necessarily reflect all current, in-force and recent changes made to the Table of Frequency Allocations. Therefore, for complete information, users should consult the Table to determine the current status of U.S. Allocations.



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Office of Spectrum Management
October 2003



PLEASE NOTE: THE SPACES ALLOTTED THE SERVICES IN THE SPECIFIC BANDS ARE ONLY PROVISIONAL. STRUCTURAL ARRANGEMENTS OF SPECTRA OCCUPIED.

Frequencies for mobile communication

- ❑ UHF-ranges for mobile cellular systems
 - ❑ simple, small antenna for cars
 - ❑ deterministic propagation characteristics, reliable connections
- ❑ SHF and higher for directed radio links, satellite communication
 - ❑ small antenna, focusing
 - ❑ large bandwidth available
- ❑ Wireless LANs use frequencies in UHF to SHF spectrum
 - ❑ some systems planned up to EHF
 - ❑ limitations due to absorption by water (>5 GHz) and oxygen (60 GHz) molecules (resonance frequencies)
 - weather dependent fading, signal loss caused by heavy rainfall etc.

Licensed vs Unlicensed bands

- Mobile cellular typically uses licensed bands
 - Spectrum licensed to operator
 - GSM:
 - 900 MHz, 1800 MHz (Europe)
 - 850 MHz, 1900 MHz (US)
 - other bands
 - UMTS, LTE
 - See e.g., <http://www.frequentieland.nl/wie.htm>
- WLAN typically uses unlicensed bands
 - 2.4 GHz Industrial, Scientific, and Medical (ISM) band:
 - IEEE 802.11b/g
 - Bluetooth
 - Zigbee
 - microwave oven
 - 5.8 GHz ISM band:
 - IEEE 802.11a

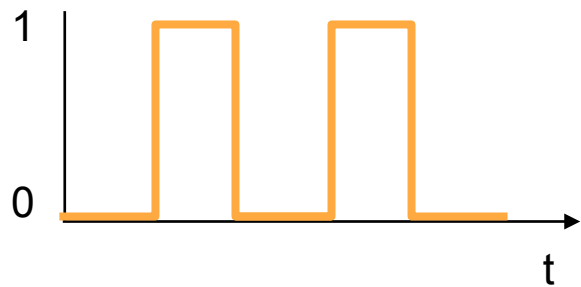
Signals I

- ❑ physical representation of data
- ❑ function of time and location
- ❑ signal parameters: parameters representing the value of data
- ❑ classification
 - ❑ continuous time/discrete time
 - ❑ continuous values/discrete values
 - ❑ analog signal = continuous time and continuous values
 - ❑ digital signal = discrete time and discrete values
- ❑ signal parameters of periodic signals:
period T , frequency $f=1/T$, amplitude A , phase shift φ
 - ❑ sine wave as special periodic signal for a carrier:

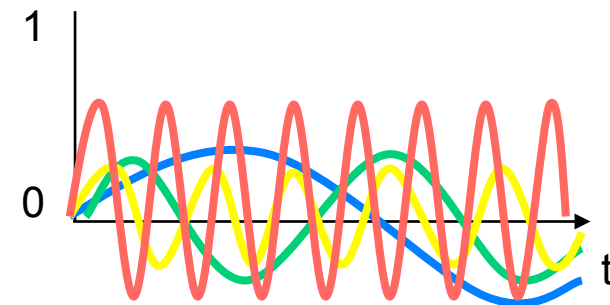
$$s(t) = A_t \sin(2 \pi f_t t + \varphi_t)$$

Fourier representation of periodic signals

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{2}c + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \sin(2\pi nft) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \cos(2\pi nft)$$



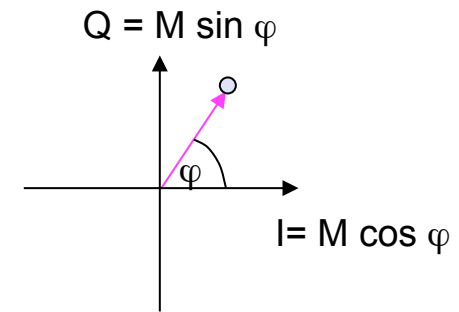
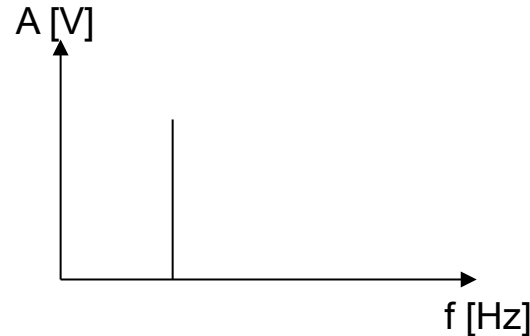
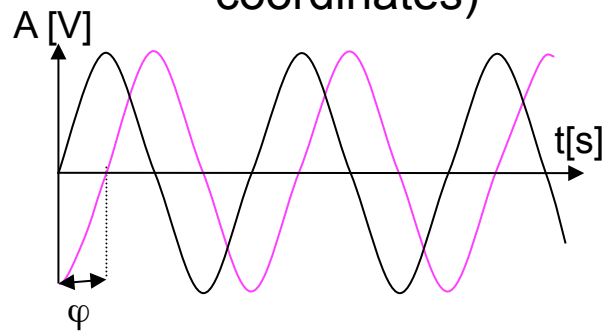
ideal periodic signal



real composition
(based on harmonics)

Signals II

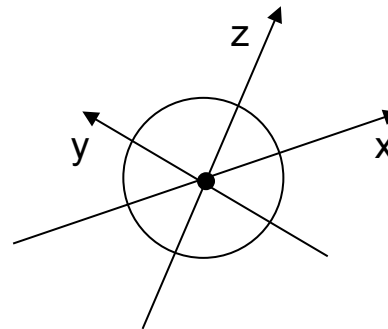
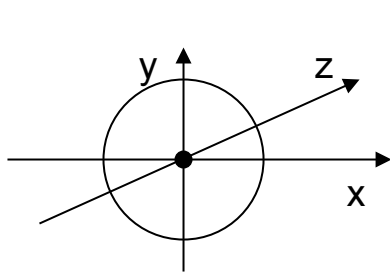
- Different representations of signals
 - amplitude (amplitude domain)
 - frequency spectrum (frequency domain)
 - phase state diagram (amplitude M and phase φ in polar coordinates)



- Composed signals transferred into frequency domain using Fourier transformation
- Digital signals need
 - infinite frequencies for perfect transmission
 - modulation with a carrier frequency for transmission (analog signal!)

Antennas: isotropic radiator

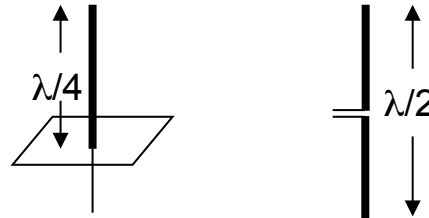
- ❑ Radiation and reception of electromagnetic waves, coupling of wires to space for radio transmission
- ❑ Isotropic radiator: equal radiation in all directions (three dimensional) - only a theoretical reference antenna
- ❑ Real antennas always have directive effects (vertically and/or horizontally)
- ❑ Radiation pattern: measurement of radiation around an antenna



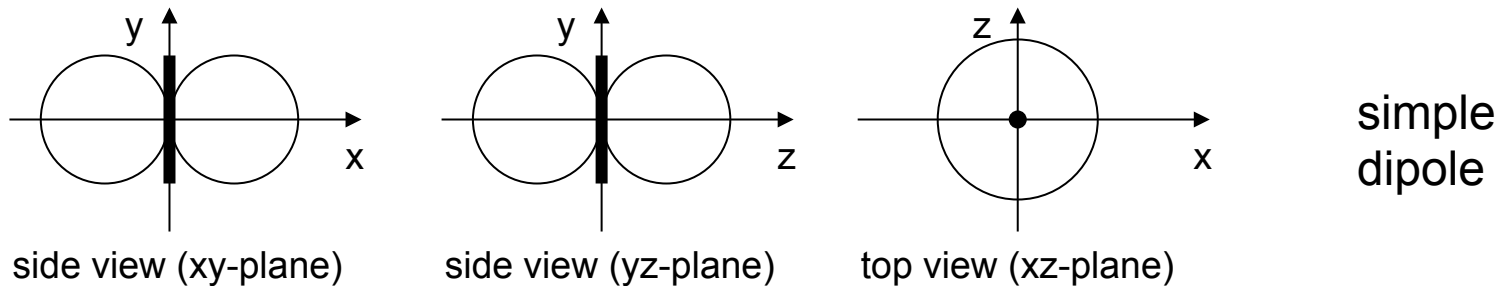
ideal
isotropic
radiator

Antennas: simple dipoles

Real antennas are not isotropic radiators but, e.g., dipoles with lengths $\lambda/4$ on car roofs or $\lambda/2$ as Hertzian dipole
→ shape of antenna proportional to wavelength



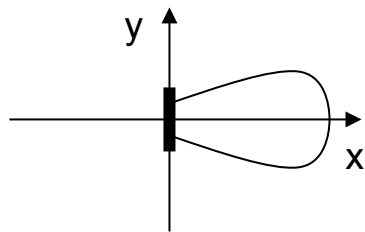
Example: Radiation pattern of a simple Hertzian dipole



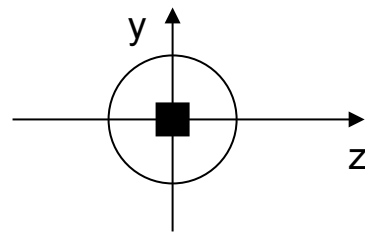
Gain: maximum power in the direction of the main lobe compared to the power of an isotropic radiator (with the same average power)

Antennas: directed and sectorized

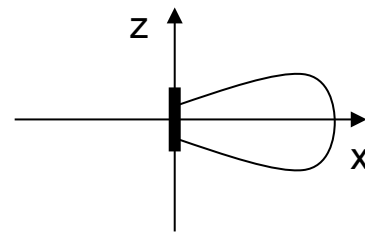
Often used for microwave connections or base stations for mobile phones (e.g., radio coverage of a valley)



side view (xy-plane)

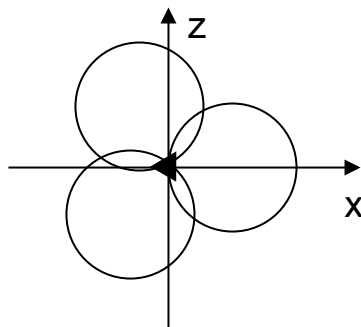


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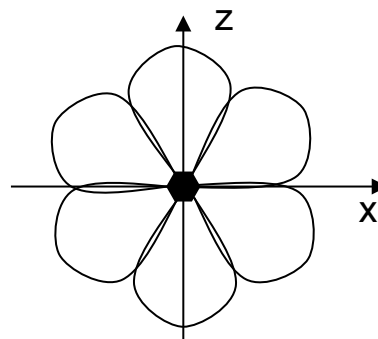


top view (xz-plane)

directed
antenna



top view, 3 sector



top view, 6 sector

sectorized
antenna

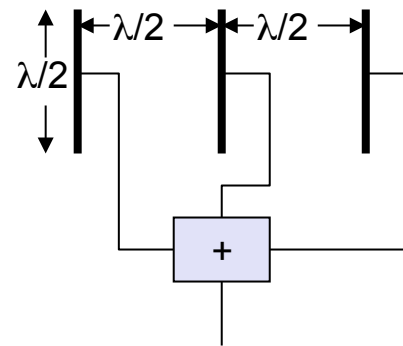
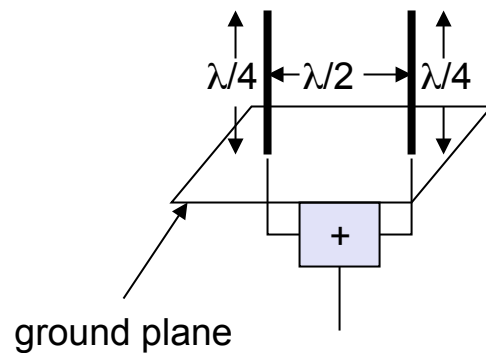
Antennas: diversity

Grouping of 2 or more antennas

- ❑ multi-element antenna arrays

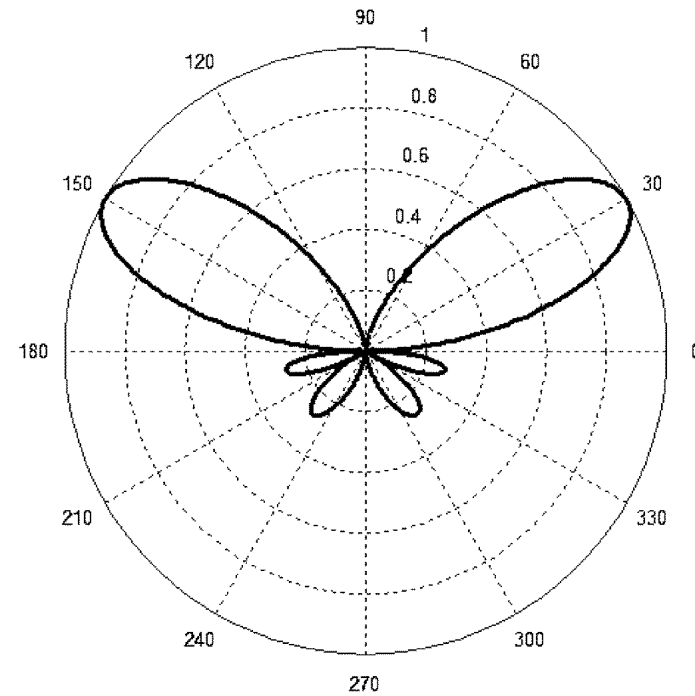
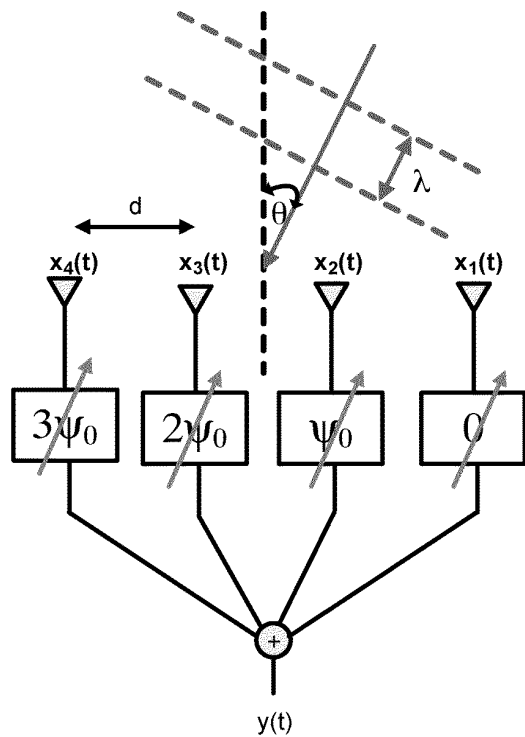
Antenna diversity

- ❑ switched diversity, selection diversity
 - receiver chooses antenna with largest output
- ❑ diversity combining
 - combine output power to produce gain
 - cophasing needed to avoid cancellation



- ❑ Smart antennas
 - beam forming

Beamforming example



[Paramesh, J.; Bishop, R.; Soumyanath, K.; Allstot, D.J.,
"A four-antenna receiver in 90-nm CMOS for beamforming and spatial diversity",
Solid-State Circuits, IEEE Journal of, vol.40, no.12, Dec. 2005]

Signal propagation ranges

Transmission range

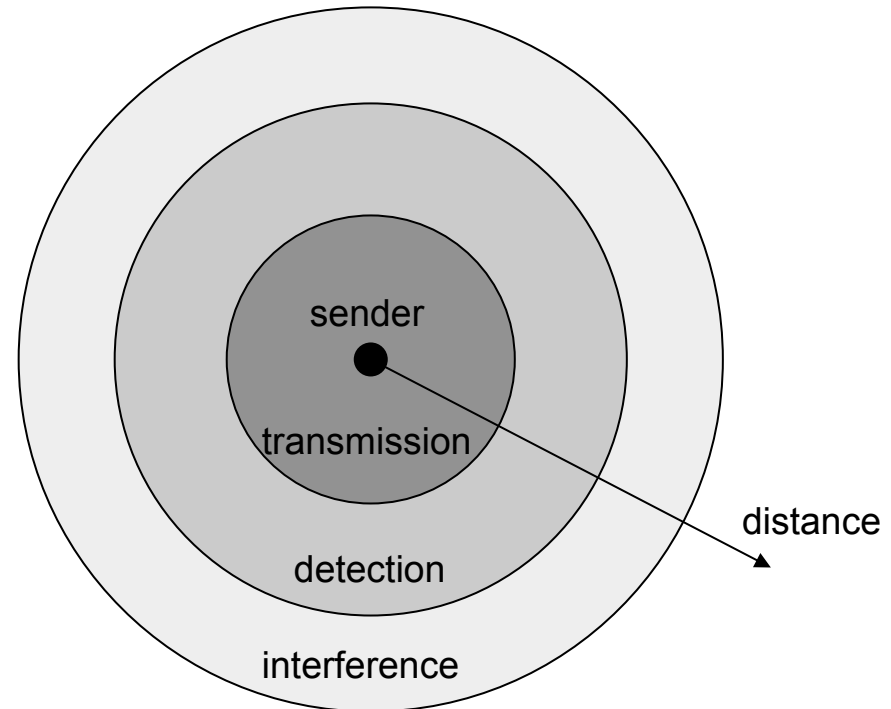
- ❑ communication possible
- ❑ low error rate

Detection range

- ❑ detection of the signal possible
- ❑ no communication possible

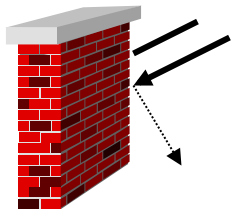
Interference range

- ❑ signal may not be detected
- ❑ signal adds to the background noise

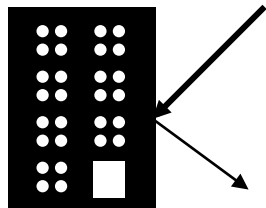


Signal propagation

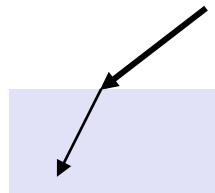
- ❑ Propagation in free space always like light (straight line)
- ❑ Path loss
 - ❑ Receiving power proportional to $1/d^2$ (free space)
(d = distance between sender and receiver)
 - ❑ In reality (e.g., due to atmospheric absorption, and effects below): $1/d^\alpha$, with α between 2 and 5
- ❑ Receiving power additionally influenced by
 - ❑ fading (frequency dependent)
 - ❑ shadowing
 - ❑ reflection at large obstacles
 - ❑ refraction depending on the density of a medium
 - ❑ scattering at small obstacles
 - ❑ diffraction at edges



shadowing



reflection



refraction

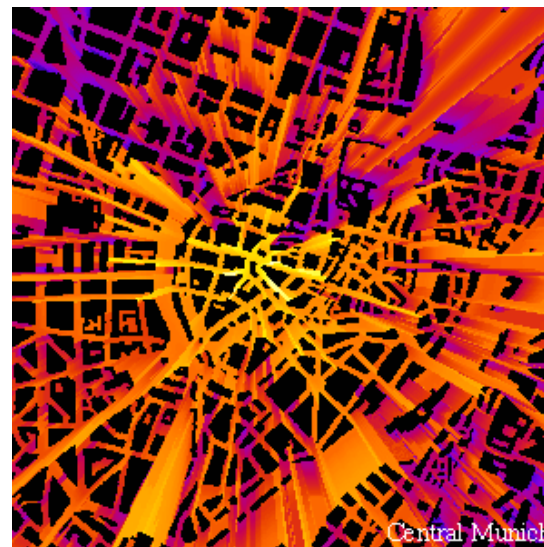
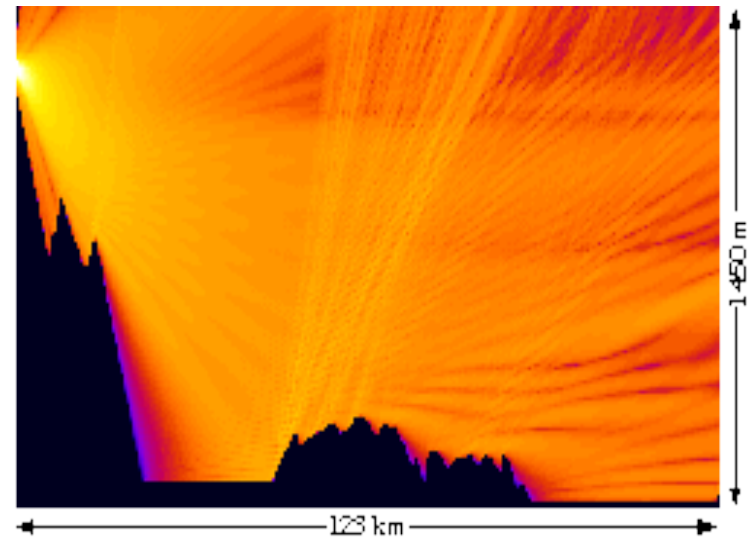
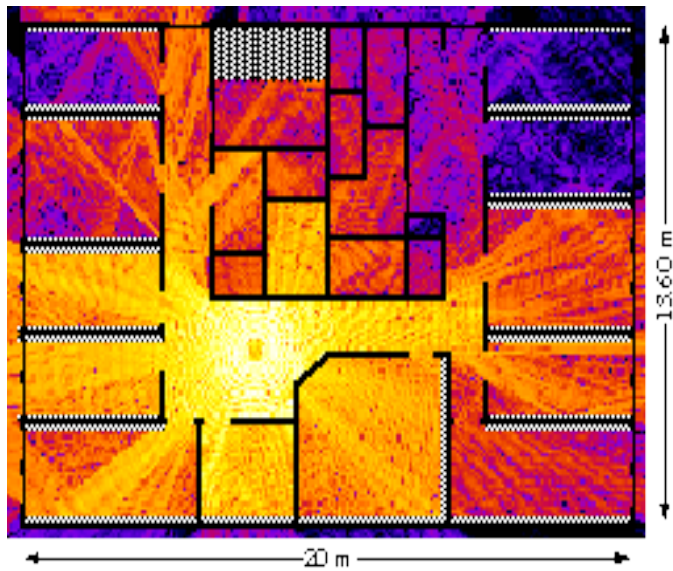


scattering



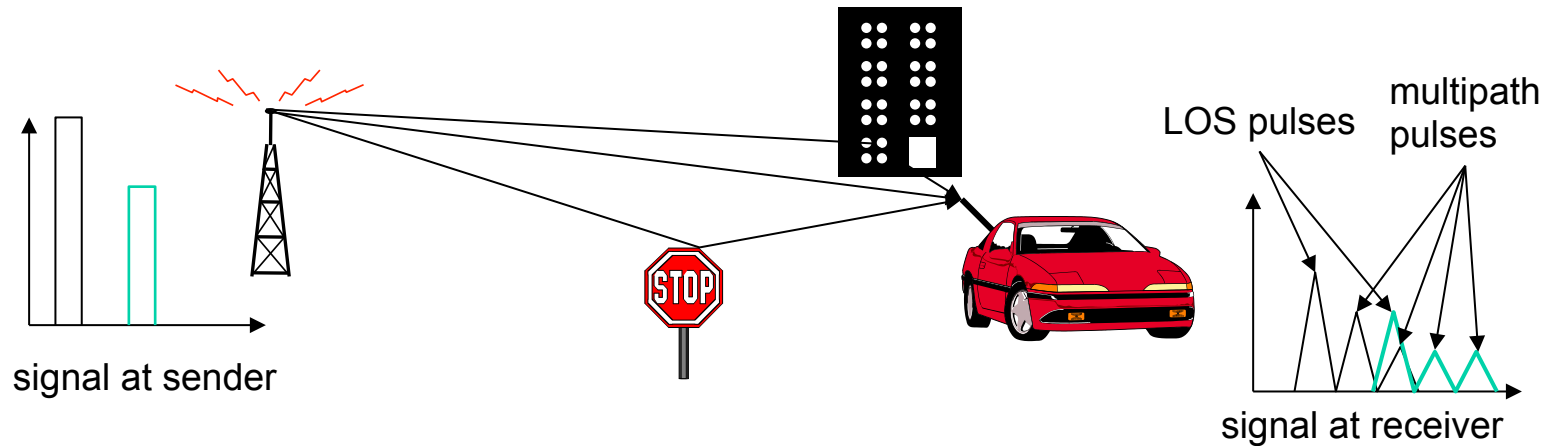
diffraction

Real world example



Multipath propagation

Signal can take many different paths between sender and receiver due to reflection, scattering, diffraction



Time dispersion: signal is dispersed over time

→ interference with “neighbor” symbols, Inter Symbol Interference (ISI)

The signal reaches a receiver directly and phase shifted

→ distorted signal depending on the phases of the different parts

Effects of mobility

Channel characteristics change over time and location

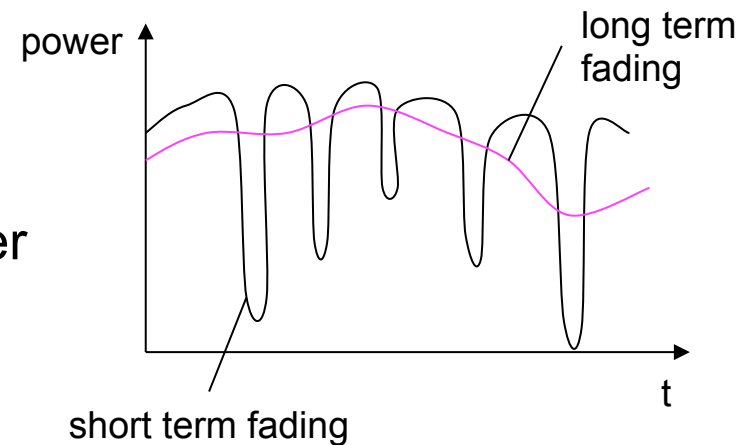
- ❑ signal paths change
- ❑ different delay variations of different signal parts
- ❑ different phases of signal parts

→ quick changes in the power received (short term fading)

Additional changes in

- ❑ distance to sender
- ❑ obstacles further away

→ slow changes in the average power received (long term fading)



Multiplexing

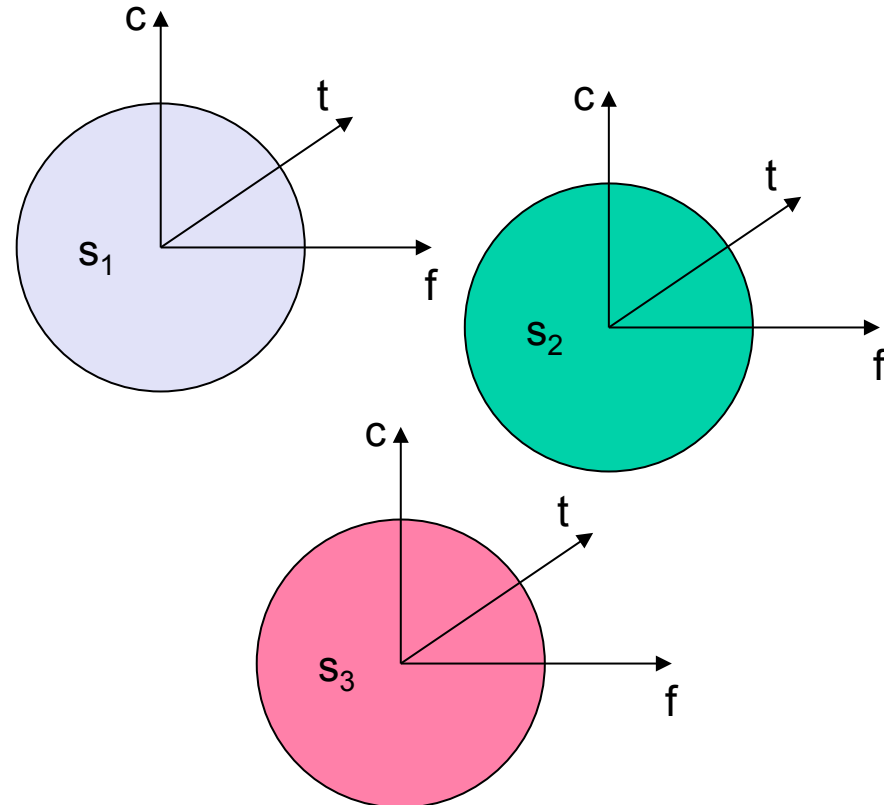
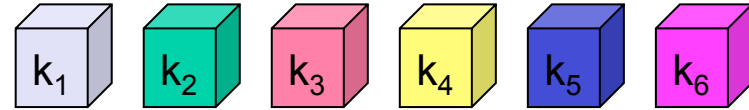
Multiplexing in 4 dimensions

- ❑ space (s_i)
- ❑ time (t)
- ❑ frequency (f)
- ❑ code (c)

Goal: multiple use
of a shared medium

Important: guard spaces needed!

channels k_i



Frequency multiplex

Separation of the whole spectrum into smaller frequency bands

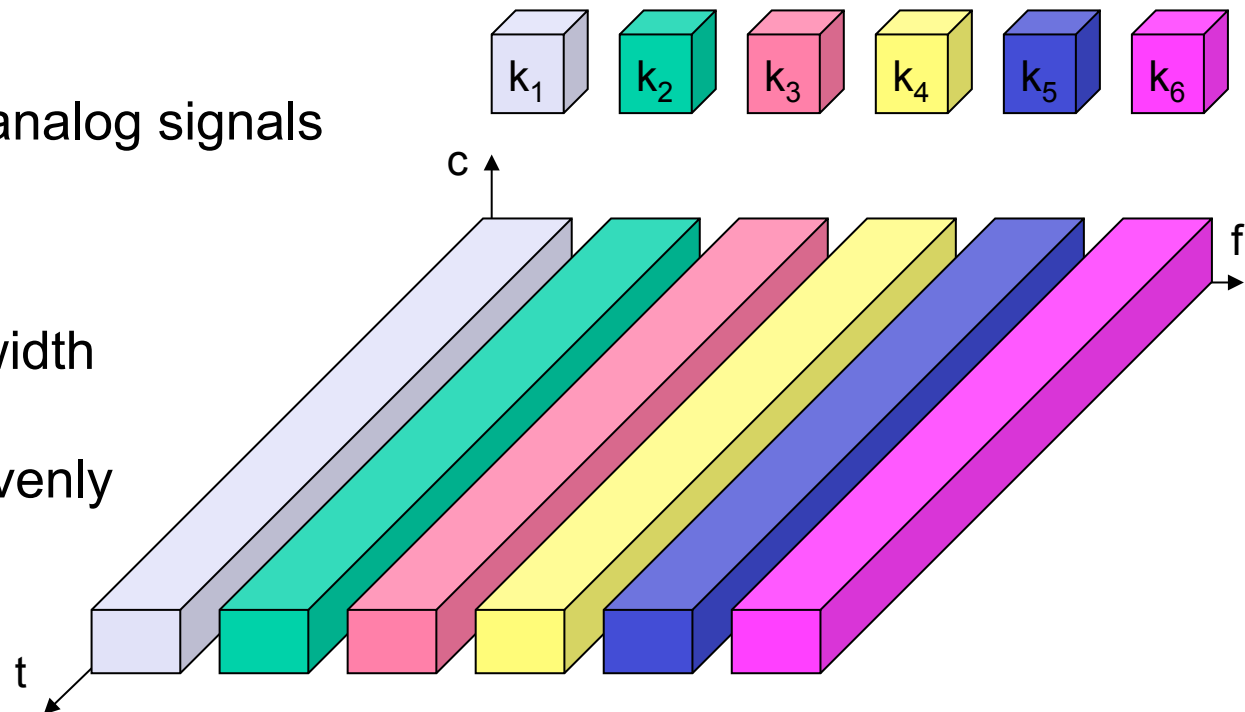
A channel gets a certain band of the spectrum for the whole time

Advantages:

- ❑ no dynamic coordination necessary
- ❑ works also for analog signals

Disadvantages:

- ❑ waste of bandwidth if the traffic is distributed unevenly
- ❑ inflexible
- ❑ guard spaces

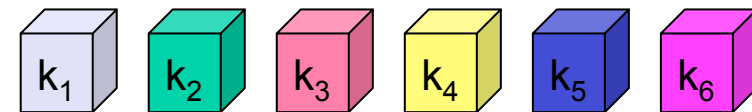


Time multiplex

A channel gets the whole spectrum for a certain amount of time

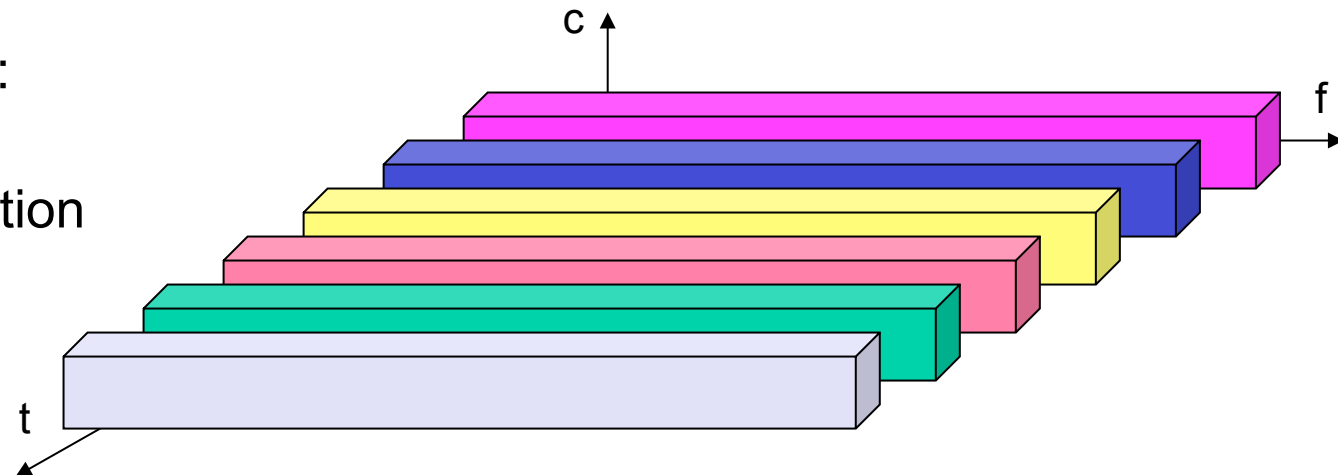
Advantages:

- ❑ only one carrier in the medium at any time
- ❑ throughput high even for many users



Disadvantages:

- ❑ precise synchronization necessary



Time and frequency multiplex

Combination of both methods

A channel gets a certain frequency band for a certain amount of time

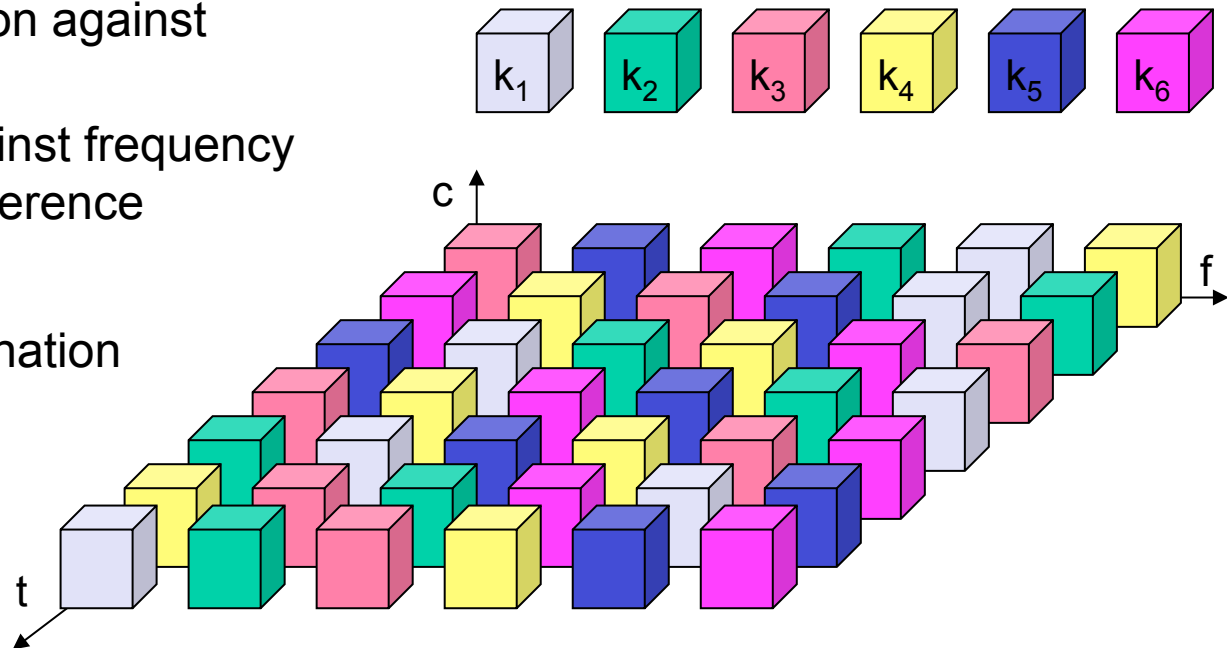
Example: GSM

Advantages:

- ❑ better protection against tapping
- ❑ protection against frequency selective interference

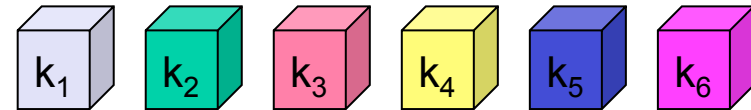
but:

- ❑ precise coordination required



Code multiplex

Each channel has a unique code



All channels use the same spectrum
at the same time

Advantages:

- ❑ bandwidth efficient
- ❑ no coordination and synchronization necessary
- ❑ good protection against interference and tapping

Disadvantages:

- ❑ more complex signal regeneration

Implemented using spread spectrum
technology

