MMI 2: Mobile Human-Computer Interaction

Mobile Communication

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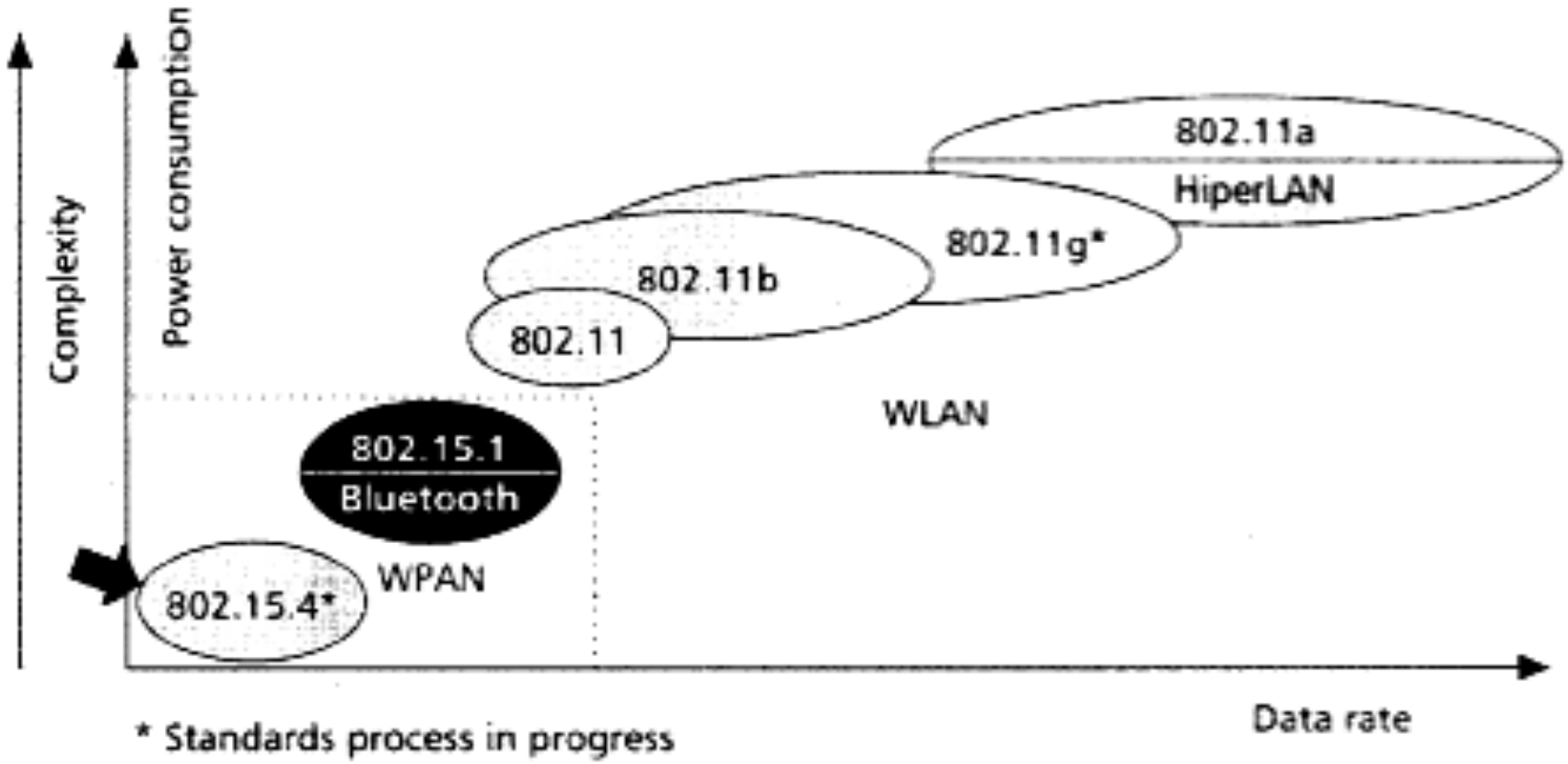
Preview

- Wireless mobile communication technologies

- Short range (~10m)
  - Bluetooth
  - ZigBee
- Medium range (~100m)
  - Wireless LAN
- Long range (almost everywhere)
  - GSM, GPRS, UMTS

Operating Space for Wireless Communication Standards



Source: Gutierrez et. al, 2001, IEEE 802.15.4: a developing standard for low-power…

HTTP CLIENTS

HTTP Clients

- Android ships with Apache's HttpClient
  - http://hc.apache.org/httpclient-3.x/
  - Widely used in J2EE
- Full support for the HTTP protocol
  - GET, POST, HEAD, DELETE, PUT (org.apache.http.client.methods)
- Usage
  - Create HttpClient
  - Instantiate PostMethod or GetMethod
  - Set HTTP parameter name/value pairs
  - Execute the HTTP request
  - Process the HTTP response
- Permissions

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
```

HTTP Client Example

```
HttpClient client = new DefaultHttpClient();
HttpGet request = new HttpGet();
request.setURI(new URI("http://code.google.com/android/"));
HttpResponse response = client.execute(request);
BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new
        InputStreamReader(response.getEntity().getContent()));
StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer("");
String line;
String NL = System.getProperty("line.separator");
while ((line = in.readLine()) != null) {
    sb.append(line + NL);
}
in.close();
String page = sb.toString();
```

HTTP Get

- Parameters as part of URL

```
HttpGet method = new HttpGet("http://www.x.com/upload.aspx?
    one=valueGoesHere");
client.execute(method);
```

- Limited length of URL (< 2048 characters)

HTTP Post

```
HttpClient client = new DefaultHttpClient();
HttpPost request = new HttpPost("http://www.x.com/upload.aspx");

List<NameValuePair> params = new ArrayList<NameValuePair>();
params.add(new BasicNameValuePair("one", "valueGoesHere"));
UrlEncodedFormEntity formEntity =
            new UrlEncodedFormEntity(params);
request.setEntity(formEntity);

HttpResponse response = client.execute(request);

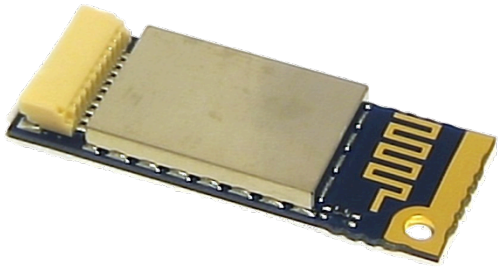
BufferedReader in = new BufferedReader(new
   InputStreamReader(response.getEntity().getContent()));
```

BLUETOOTH

Bluetooth slides partially based on slides by Prof. Dr. F. Mattern, ETH Zurich

Bluetooth Technology

- Mainly cable replacement for portable devices
  - Seamless connectivity between mobile phones, PDAs, and other electronic devices
  - Simultaneous voice and data
- Ad hoc wireless connectivity
  - "Spontaneous networks", no infrastructure
  - Dynamic discovery of nearby devices and services they offer
- Short-range (10 m)
- Design goals
  - Low cost
  - Small form factor
  - Low power consumption
  - Security



Bluetooth Usage Scenarios: Personal Ad-hoc Networks

- Wireless file transfer
- Sharing of a printer, beamer, …
- Cable replacement
  - Mainly for PC accessories

Bluetooth Usage Scenarios: Proximity Synchronization

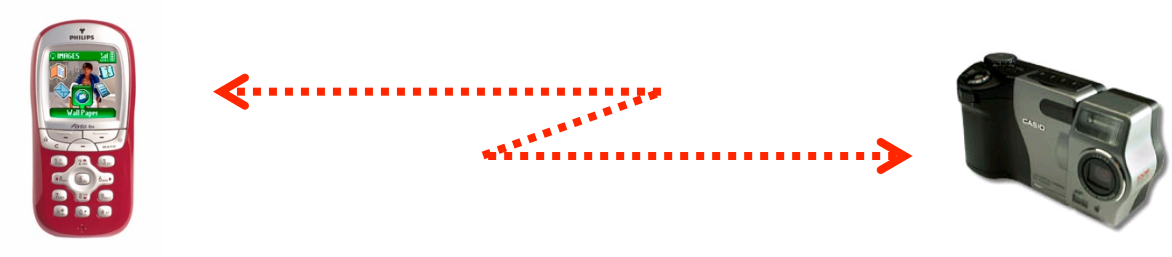
- Synchronize PDAs, cellular phones, mobile PCs, ...
- Personal information management
  - Calendar
  - Phonebook
  - Messages
  - Address list
  - To-do list

- On demand synchronization
  - Business cards
- Automatic synchronization
  - “Hidden computing”

Bluetooth Usage Scenarios: Cordless Headset

- Hand's free phone calls
- Flexible associations between devices
- Use with a phone
  - Dial by voice
- Use with a PC
  - Write by voice
  - Listen to audio
- Use with a stereo, portable CD player, MP3 player, recording device, ...

Bluetooth Protocol Overview



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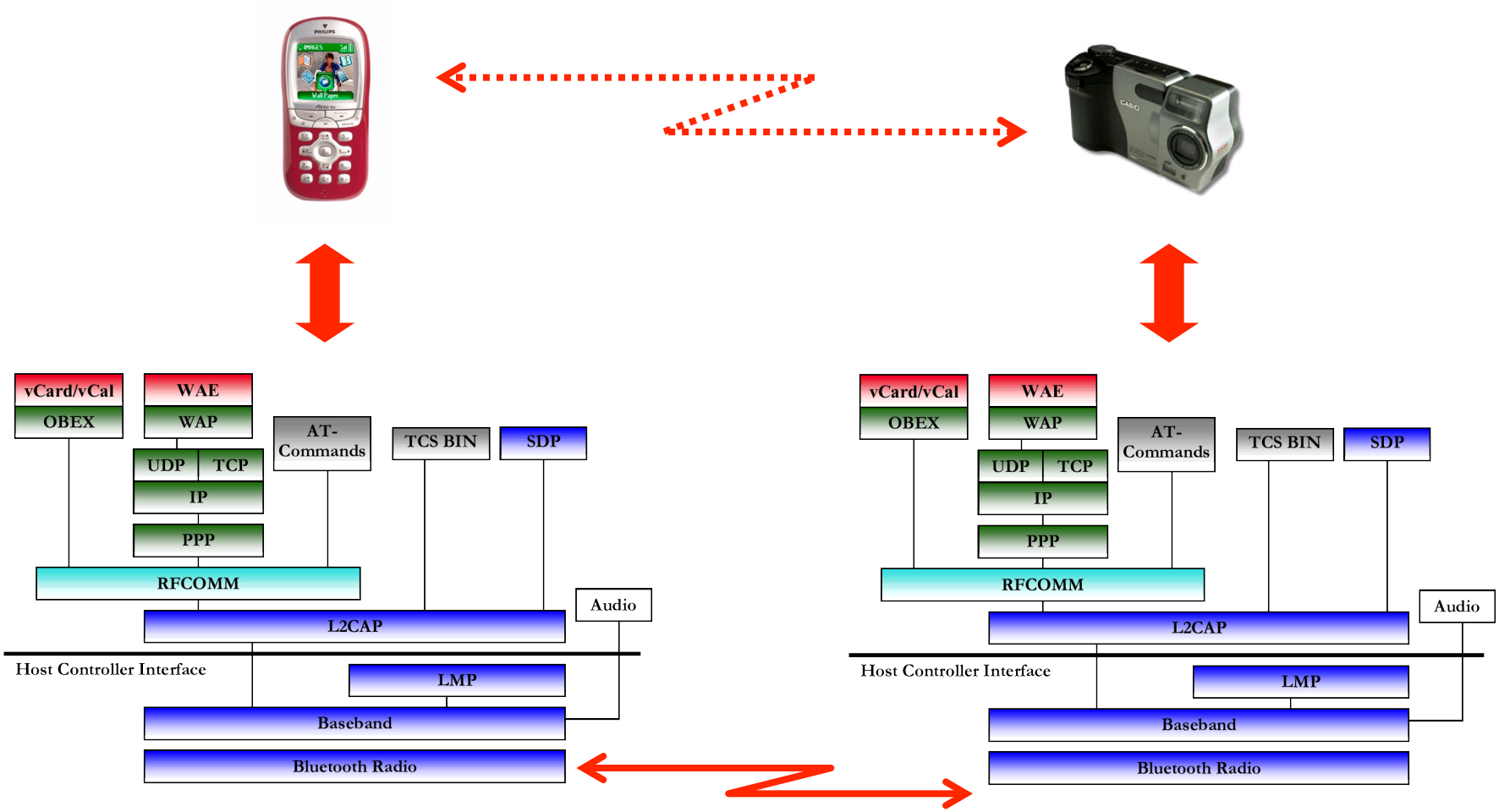
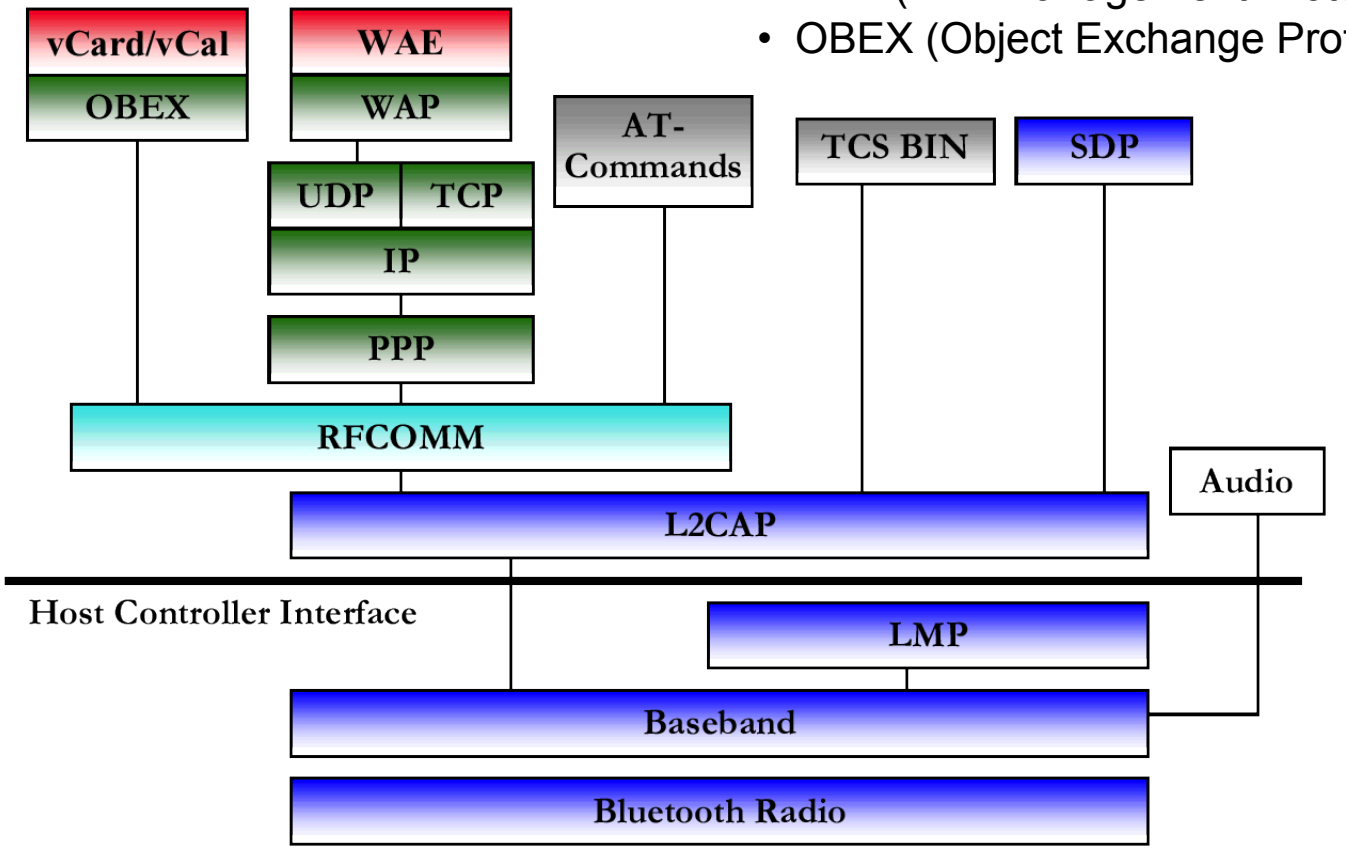


Bluetooth Protocol Stack

- RFCOMM (“RF” Serial Communication protocol)
- SDP (Service Discovery Protocol)
- L2CAP (Logical Link Control & Adaptation Protocol)
- HCI (Host/Controller Interface)
- LMP (Link Management Protocol)
- OBEX (Object Exchange Protocol)

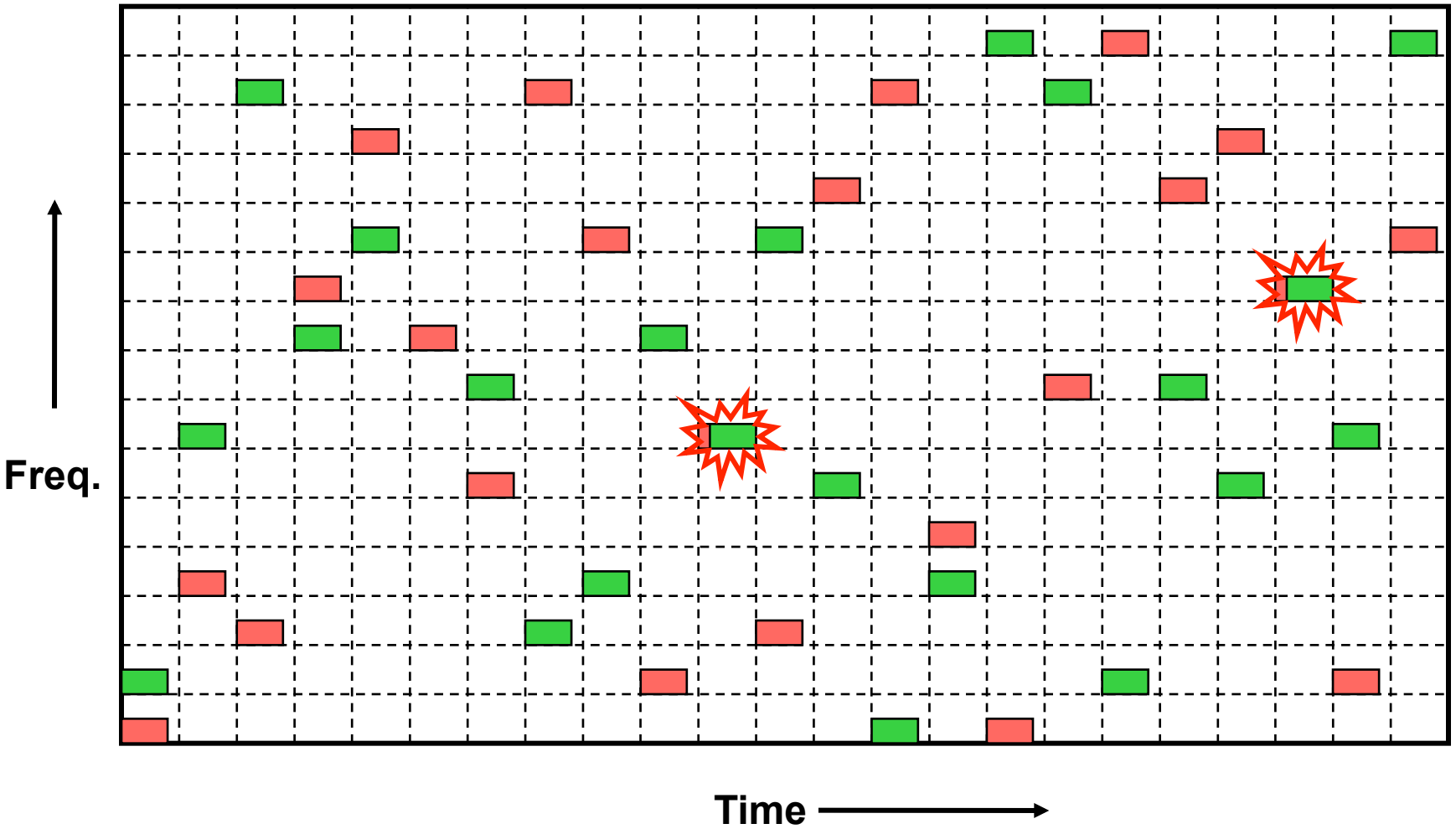


Bluetooth Radio

- Global 2.4 GHz ISM band
  - (2.402 - 2.480 GHz, 79 channels)
  - Frequency hopping 1600 hops/s
- Data rates
  - Version 1.0-1.2: 1 Mbit/s
    - 432 kbit/s (symmetric half duplex)
    - 723.1 kbit/s (asymmetric)
  - Version 2.0 with enhanced data rate (EDR): 3 Mbit/s
    - 2.1 Mbit/s practical transmission rate
  - Version 3.0 + HS: 24 Mbit/s
- Maximum power
  - Class 1: 100 mW (~100 meters)
  - Class 2: 2.5 mW (~10 meters)
  - Class 3: 1 mW (~5 meter)

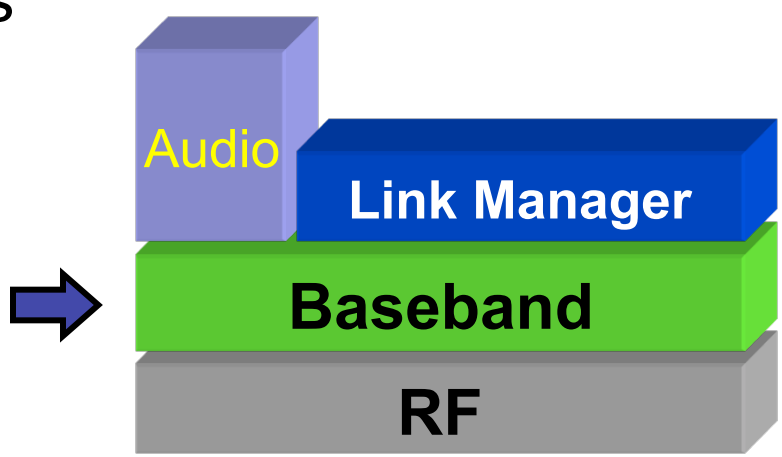
For comparison:
Wireless LAN (WiFi, IEEE 802.11)
11 or 54 Mbit/s (and more)
100 mW

Frequency Hopping

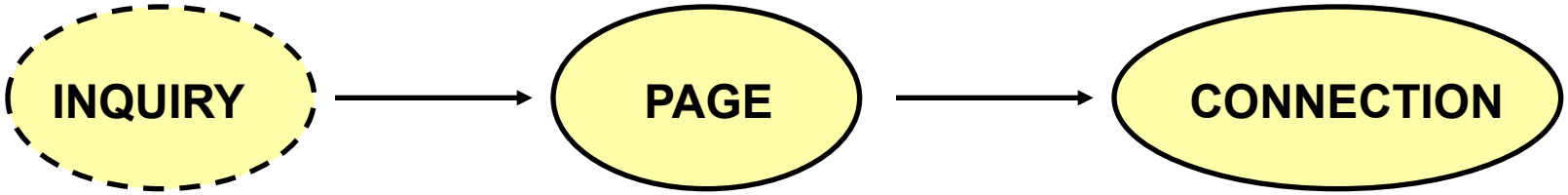


Baseband Layer Responsibilities

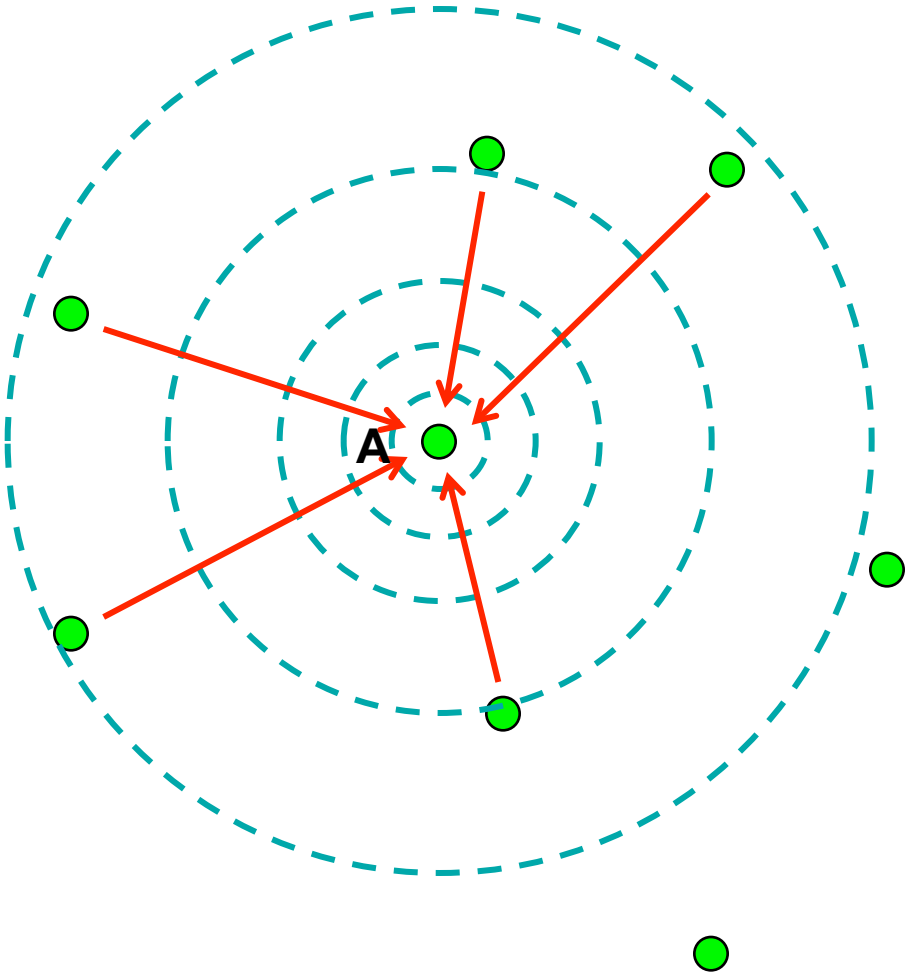
- Synchronization of sender and receiver
  - Time synchronization
  - Frequency synchronization (hopping sequence)
- Searching for and connecting to other devices
- Master and slave roles
- Error handling, retransmissions
- 48-bit Bluetooth device address
  - Compatible to IEEE 802 MAC (e.g., “Ethernet address”)
  - Example: 00:04:3E:23:46:C0



Connection Establishment

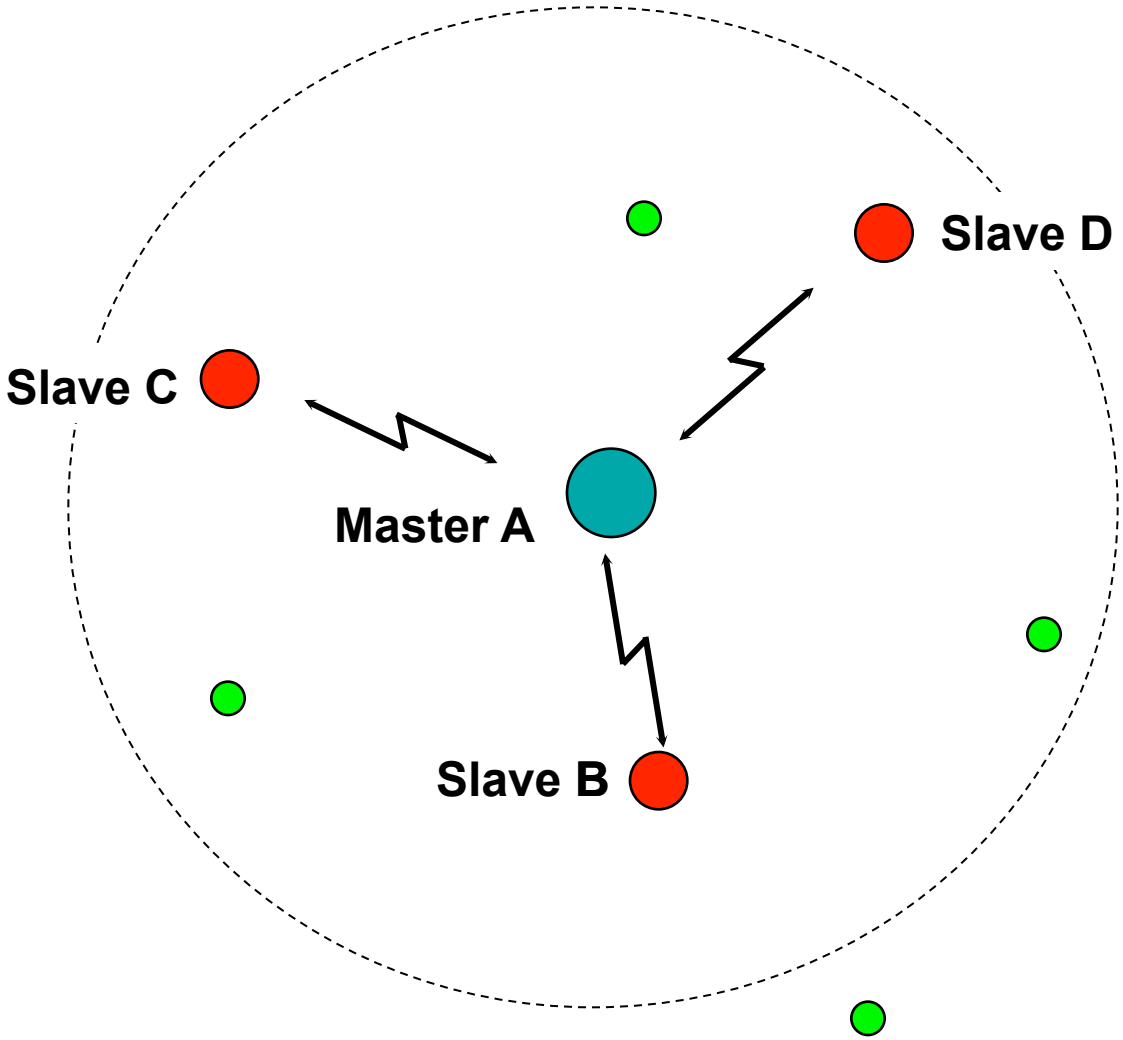


Inquiry: Looking for Nearby Devices



- Responses include:
  - Device Address
  - Class of Device

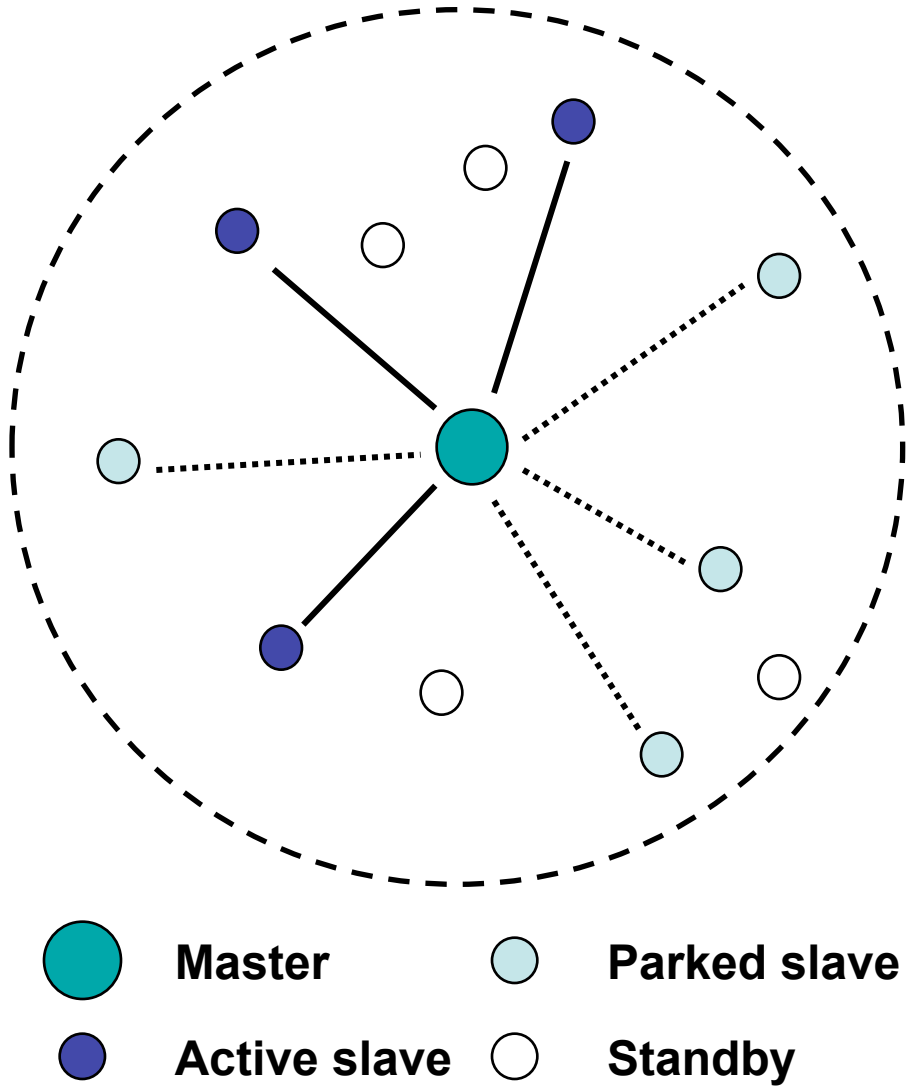
Paging: Establishing a Connection



- Done for each device independently
- Paging device becomes master

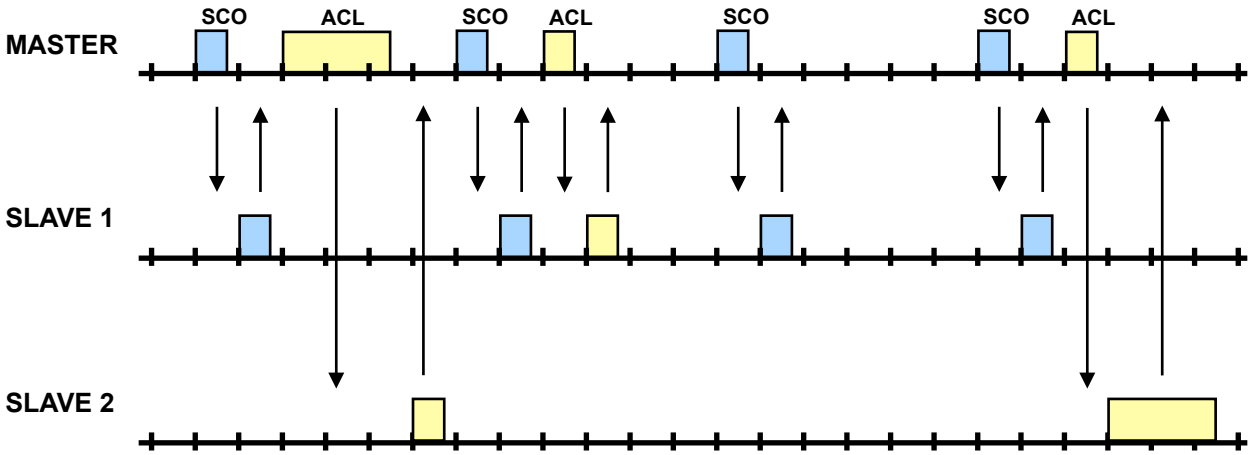
Piconet

- Star Topology
  - 1 master
  - up to 7 active slaves
  - up to 255 parked slaves
- Master
  - Determines hopping scheme and timing
  - Administers piconet
- Logical Channels
  - Asynchronous, packet oriented
  - Synchronous, connection-oriented (voice)

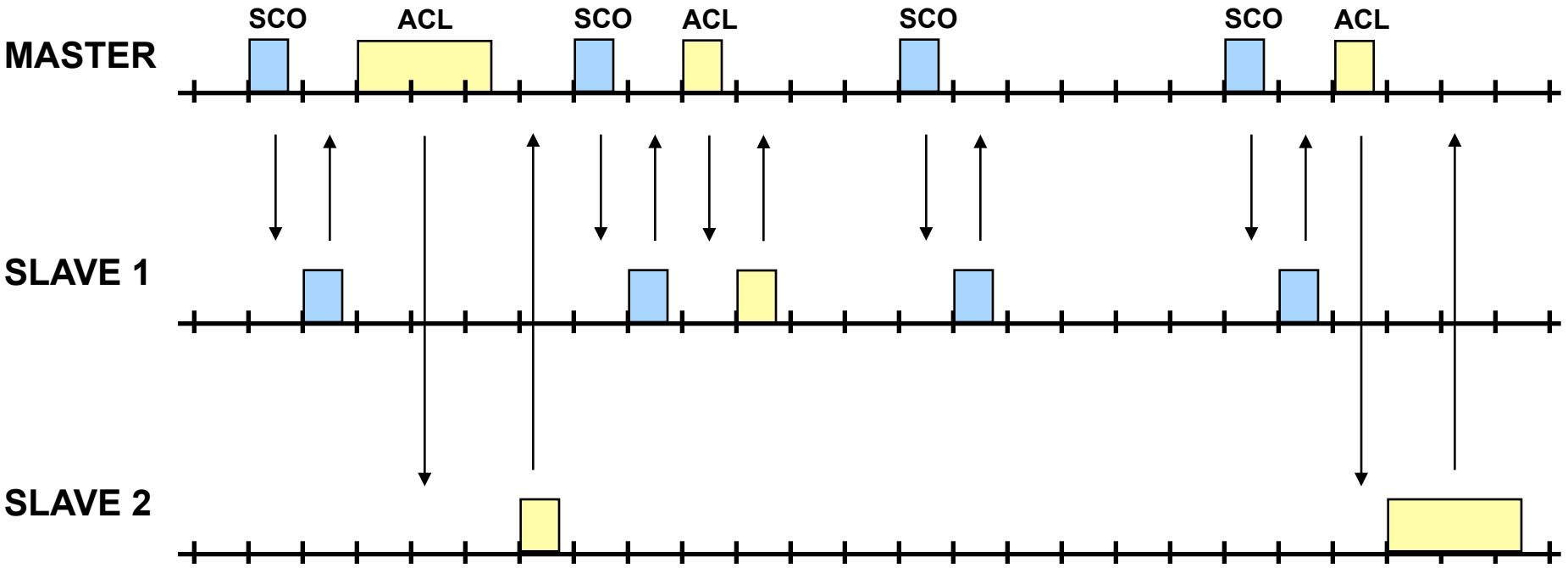


Baseband Link Types

- Synchronous connection-oriented (SCO) link
  - "Circuit-switched": periodic slot assignment
  - Typically for voice
- Asynchronous connection-less (ACL) link
  - "Packet switching" with acks
  - Variable packet size (1-5 slots)



Mixed Synchronous / Asynchronous Communication



SCO: Synchronous Connection-Oriented link

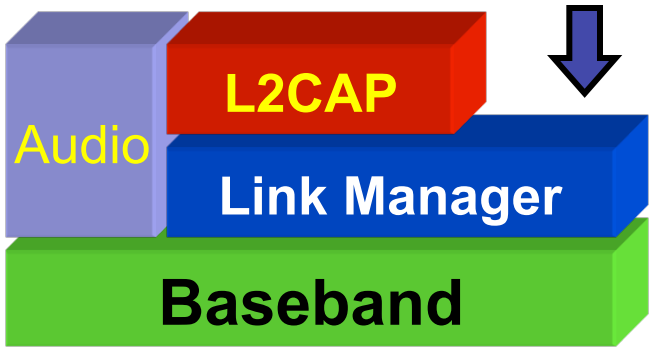
- uses reserved time slots

ACL: Asynchronous Connection-Less link

- uses remaining time slots

Link Manager Responsibilities

- Authentication
  - Only accept connections from trusted devices
- Encryption
- Management of the piconet
  - Master-slave switch
  - Allocating AMA addresses
  - Tearing down connections when slaves leave piconet
  - Exchange of control signals with link managers of other devices (LMP: Link Management Protocol)
- Handling of low power modes (sniff, hold, park)
  - Only listen for synchronization packets

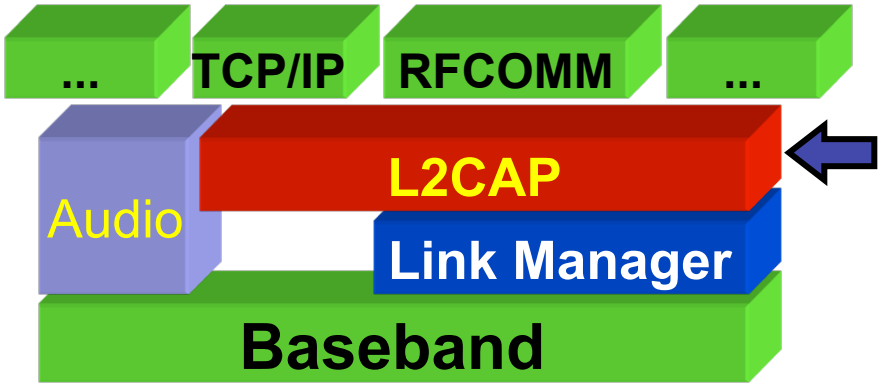


Bluetooth Security

- Important in ad hoc, wireless, RF environments
  - Fast frequency hopping (79 channels)
  - Low transmit power (range < 10m for Class 3)
- Baseband Specification defines security procedures to
  - Authenticate devices (mandatory feature)
  - Encrypt data on link (optional feature)
- Pairing
  - Establish a trusted relationship between two devices by establishing a shared secret
- Link layer encryption
  - Symmetric stream cipher
  - Both SCO and ACL packets can be encrypted

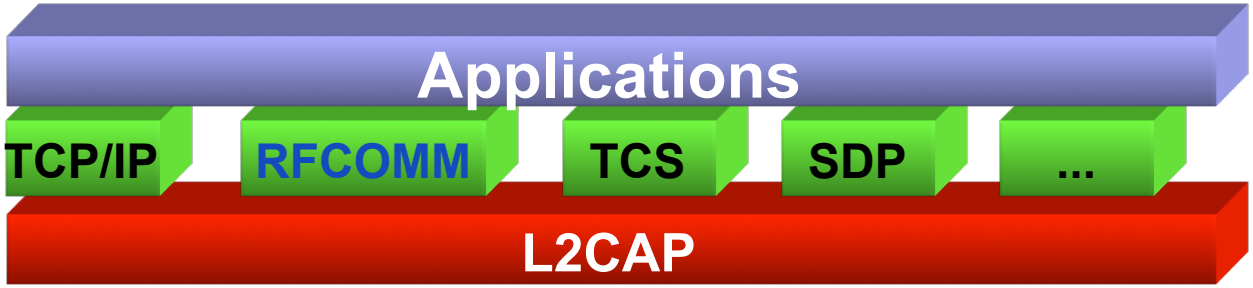
Link Layer Control & Adaptation (L2CAP)

- Data link protocol on top of the baseband
- Upper layers usually do not see the master-slave roles, but use peer-to-peer communication



- Channel abstraction
- Protocol multiplexing for a single “air interface”
- Connection-oriented & connectionless data services
- Packet segmentation and reassembly

RFCOMM



- Emulates a serial port (RS-232 protocol)
- In-sequence, reliable delivery of serial stream
- Enables cable replacement scenarios
- Allows multiple “channels” between two devices (multiplexing via L2CAP)

Android Bluetooth API (since 2.0)

- Package android.bluetooth
- Discover devices and use their services
  - BluetoothAdapter: startDiscovery()
- Local adapter and remote devices
  - BluetoothAdapter represents local device
    - Adding service records to the service database
  - BluetoothDevice represents remote device
    - Querying remote services using UUIDs
- Communication
  - Client: BluetoothSocket
  - Server: BluetoothServerSocket

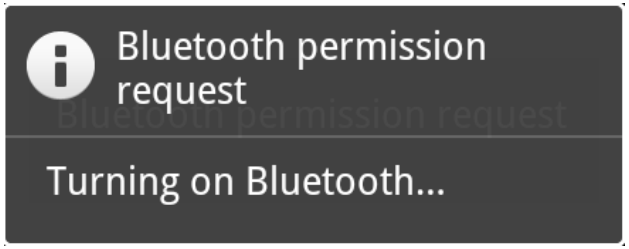
Class BluetoothAdapter

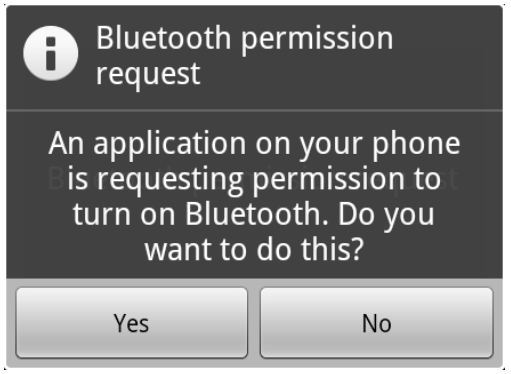
- BluetoothAdapter represents local Bluetooth adapter
  - BluetoothAdapter.getDefaultAdapter()
  - getName(), getAddress(): local name and adress
- Get remote devices
  - BluetoothDevice getRemoteDevice(String macAddress)
  - Set<BluetoothDevice> getBondedDevices()
- Device discovery
  - startDiscovery(): start to find nearby devices
  - Register for ACTION_FOUND intent to be notified as remote Bluetooth devices are found
- Permissions
  - android.permission.BLUETOOTH
  - android.permission.BLUETOOTH_ADMIN

Android Bluetooth Initialization

```
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
    setContentView(R.layout.main);
    ...
    adapter = BluetoothAdapter.getDefaultAdapter();
    if (adapter == null) finish(); // no Bluetooth → end activity

    if (adapter.isEnabled()) testBluetooth();
    } else {
        Intent i = new Intent(BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_REQUEST_ENABLE);
        startActivityForResult(i, REQUEST_ENABLE_BT);
    }
}
```





Result of Bluetooth Enable Activity

```
Intent i = new Intent(BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_REQUEST_ENABLE);
startActivityForResult(i, REQUEST_ENABLE_BT);
...

protected void onActivityResult(
    int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent data)
{
    if (requestCode == REQUEST_ENABLE_BT) {
        if (resultCode == RESULT_OK) {
            testBluetooth();
        } else {
            finish(); // failed → end activity
        }
}   }
```

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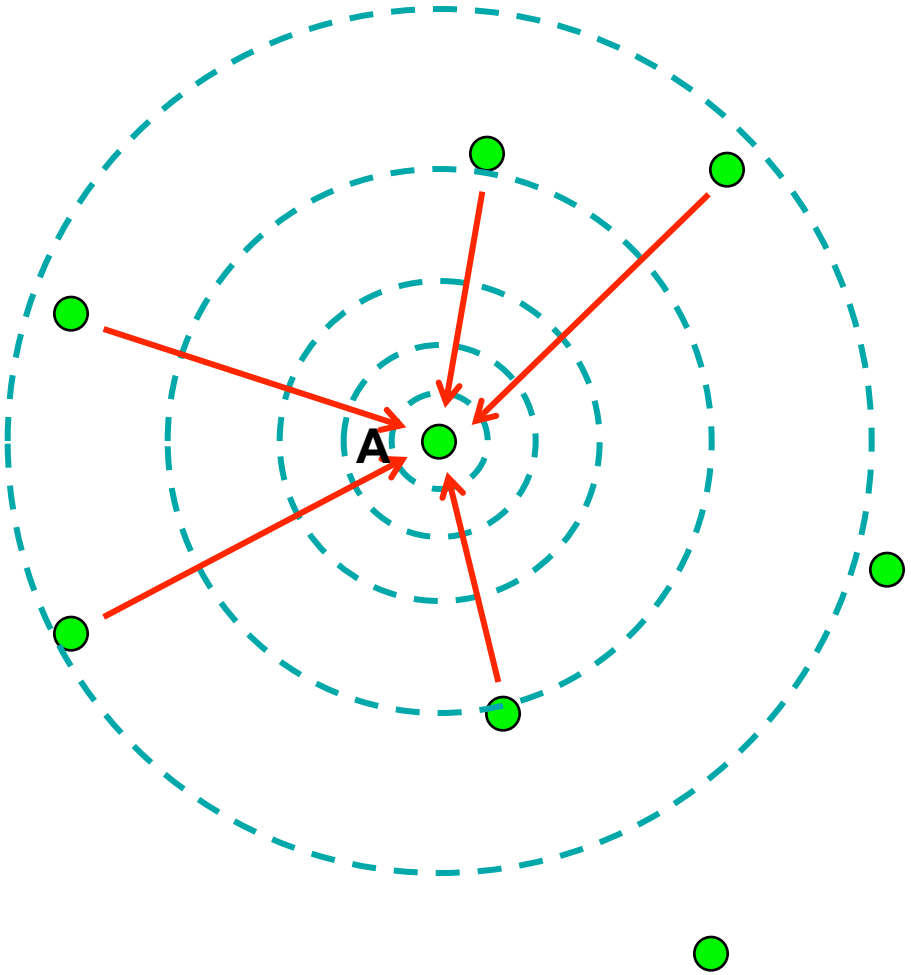
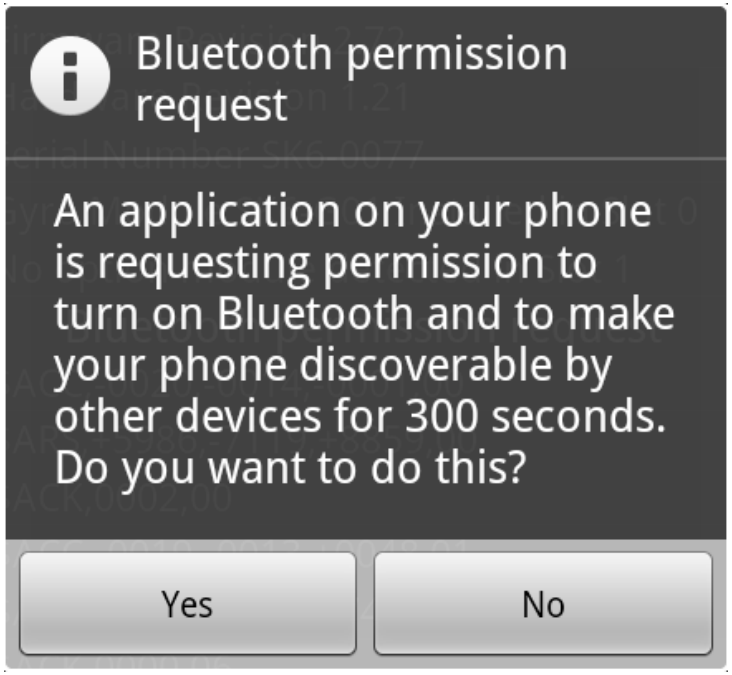


- Responses include:
  - Device Address
  - Class of Device

Make Yourself Discoverable

```
Intent intent = new
    Intent(BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_REQUEST_DISCOVERABLE);
intent.putExtra(
    BluetoothAdapter.EXTRA_DISCOVERABLE_DURATION, 300);

startActivity(intent);
```



Discover Other Devices

- Asynchronously, multiple seconds
- Register “Broadcast Receiver” for discovery events

```
IntentFilter filter = new IntentFilter(BluetoothDevice.ACTION_FOUND);
registerReceiver(deviceFoundReceiver, filter);

filter = new IntentFilter(BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_DISCOVERY_STARTED);
registerReceiver(deviceFoundReceiver, filter);

filter = new IntentFilter(BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_DISCOVERY_FINISHED);
registerReceiver(deviceFoundReceiver, filter);


adapter.startDiscovery();
```

Broadcast Receiver for Discovery Events

```
BroadcastReceiver deviceFoundReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver() {
public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {
String a = intent.getAction();
if (BluetoothDevice.ACTION_FOUND.equals(a)) {
      BluetoothDevice device;
      device = intent.getParcelableExtra(BluetoothDevice.EXTRA_DEVICE);
      listAdapter.add(device.getName() + ", " + device.getAddress());
} else if (BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_DISCOVERY_STARTED.equals(a)) {
    listAdapter.add("discovery started");
} else if (BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_DISCOVERY_FINISHED.equals(a)) {
    listAdapter.add("discovery finished");
} } };
```

Broadcast Receiver for Discovery Events

- Output events as list:

```
private ListView listView = null;
private ArrayAdapter<String> listAdapter = null;
…
listView = (ListView) findViewById(R.id.list_view);
listAdapter = new ArrayAdapter<String>(this, R.layout.list_item);
listView.setAdapter(listAdapter);


...


listAdapter.add(device.getName()
    + ", " + device.getAddress());
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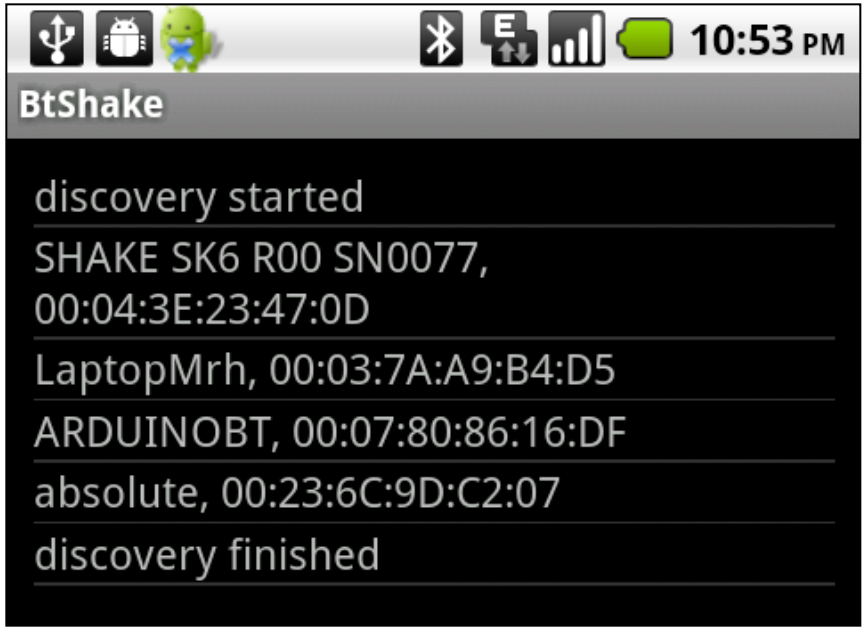


Service Discovery Protocol (SDP)

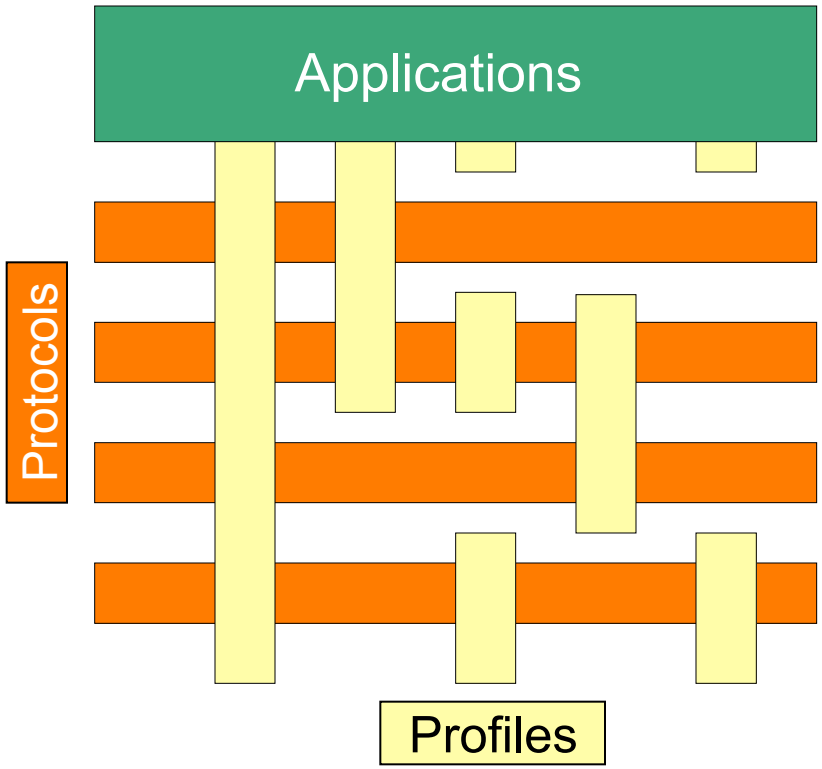
- Devices may spontaneously join / leave a network
  - Goal: self configure without manual intervention
  - Devices should discover each other, negotiate their needs
- SDP defines an inquiry/response protocol for discovering services
  - Searching for services
  - Browsing services
- SDP has no notification service
  - No automatic notification of new services or services becoming unavailable

SDP: Service Description

- Each service is represented by a service record
- Attributes in the service record describe the service
- Attributes represent
  - Unique identifier
  - Service class information (e.g., “printer” or “audio service”)
  - Access protocol information
  - Human-readable service description
- Attribute values
  - Universally unique identifiers (UUIDs), strings, booleans, integers, URLs, etc.
- 128-bit UUID example (Serial Port Profile, SPP):
  - 00001101-0000-1000-8000-00805F9B34FB

Bluetooth Profiles

- Vertical slice through the protocol stack
- Specification for interoperable applications
- A Bluetooth device supports one or more profiles
- Example profiles
  - **Serial port**
  - LAN access
  - File transfer
  - Headset
  - Dial-up networking
  - Fax
  - Cordless telephony



Bluetooth RFCOMM in Android

- Server (device A)
  - Publish serial port service in local SDP database
  - Specify UUID for serial port service
  - Specify name for service
  - System assigns RFCOMM channel number
- Client (device B)
  - Client knows device address of server (discovery)
  - Specifies UUID of required service
  - Client adapter requests RFCOMM channel number from server

Bluetooth RFCOMM in Android

- Server (device A)

```
BluetoothAdapter ba = BluetoothAdapter.getDefaultAdapter();
UUID uuid = UUID.fromString("00001101-0000-1000-8000-00805F9B34FB");
BluetoothServerSocket bss =
    ba.listenUsingRfcommWithServiceRecord("mysvc", uuid);
BluetoothSocket bs = bss.accept(); // blocks until connection established
InputStream is = bs.getInputStream();
```

- Client (device B)

```
BluetoothAdapter ba = BluetoothAdapter.getDefaultAdapter();
BluetoothDevice bd = ba.getRemoteDevice("00:08:1B:CA:D6:38");
UUID uuid = UUID.fromString("00001101-0000-1000-8000-00805F9B34FB");
BluetoothSocket bs = bd.createRfcommSocketToServiceRecord(uuid);
bs.connect();
OutputStream os = bs.getOutputStream();
```

Bluetooth RFCOMM in Android

- BluetoothServerSocket bss = ba.listenUsingRfcommWithServiceRecord("mysvc", uuid);
  - Creates service record with
    - Name = mysvc
    - UUID = <uuid>
    - RFCOMM channel = <auto-assigned RFCOMM channel>
  - Enters service record in SDP database of local device

- BluetoothSocket bs = bd.createRfcommSocketToServiceRecord(uuid);
  - Queries remote SDP server using <uuid>
  - Obtains matching SDP service record
  - Connects to remote service using RFCOMM channel

SHAKE SK6 / SK7 Sensor Module

- Movement sensing and vibrotactile feedback
- Targeted at human-computer interaction
  - Linear and rotational movements
  - Absolute orientation / direction
  - Human body proximity
  - Haptic sensations (programmable vibrotactile display)
- Characteristics
  - Very low noise sensors
  - Simple ASCII protocol
  - Programmable (selection of sensors and filters)
- Communication via Bluetooth RFCOMM
  - Easy connection to other hardware

SHAKE SK6 / SK7 Sensor Module

- Sensors
  - 3-axis accelerometer (±2g or ±6g, resolution 1mg)
  - 3-axis gyroscope (±500deg/s, resolution 0.1deg/s)
  - 3-axis magnetometer (±2 Gauss, resolution 1mGauss)
  - 2 analog inputs (0-2.75V, resolution 1mV, >12 bits)
  - 2 capacitive sensors (<10mm body proximity)
  - 3-position jog dial
- Actuators
  - Vibrating motor with braking capability
- Internal filters for smoothing sensor data
- Real-time clock for precise time stamping

Problem: SDP not always available

- Elegant, but no way to specify RFCOMM channel number explicitly
- Some hardware (SHAKE SK6, Arduino) does not fully implement SDP
  - Use fixed RFCOMM channel number 1

- Use non-official API and Java reflection

```
BluetoothDevice device = adapter.getRemoteDevice("00:04:3E:23:47:0D");
Method m = device.getClass().getMethod(
        "createRfcommSocket", new Class[] { int.class });
socket = (BluetoothSocket) m.invoke(device, Integer.valueOf(1));
```

Blocking I/O

- Bluetooth I/O calls are blocking → separate thread
- Problem: separate thread cannot update GUI → Handlers
- Worker Thread (handler created by main thread):

```
String s = in.readLine(); // from Bluetooth InputStream, blocking
Message msg = handler.obtainMessage(MY_MESSAGE_TYPE, s);
handler.sendMessage(msg);
```

- Main (GUI) Thread:

```
private Handler handler = new Handler() {
    public void handleMessage(Message msg) {
        if (msg.what == MY_MESSAGE_TYPE) {
            String line = (String) msg.obj;
            listAdapter.add(line);
} } };
```

Inter-Thread Communication: Message Queues, Handlers

- Each thread can have a message queue
  - Main thread has message queue
- Each message queue can have zero or more handlers
  - New handler gets attached to message queue of current thread
- Handlers
  - Sending messages to a message queue
    - handler.sendMessage(msg);
  - Handling messages from a message queue
    - **public void** handleMessage(Message msg) { ... }
- Uses
  - Schedule messages for execution at some point of time
  - Enqueue actions for execution by another thread

Gracefully Shutting Down Connection

- Activity:

```
protected void onDestroy() {
   // inform connection thread
   connectionThread.shutdown();
   try {
      // wait for thread to terminate
      connectionThread.join();
   } catch (InterruptedException e) {}
   super.onDestroy();
}
```

- Connection thread:

```
public void shutdown() {
    running = false;
}
public void run() {
   ...
   try {
      running = true;
      while (running) { readAndShow(in); }
      in.close();
      out.close();
      socket.close();
   } catch (IOException e) {}
}
```

Competing Technologies

- IrDA („Infrared Data Association“)
  - 4 Mbit/s
  - Narrow and conical transmission shape
  - Requires line of sight
  - 1 m
  - Cheap: < $1 for transceiver module
- Wireless LAN (Wi-Fi: IEEE 802.11b)
  - 11 or 54 Mbit/s (and more)
  - Different modes: central base station / ad hoc
  - 100 mW
  - A priori more expensive and higher power requirements

ZIGBEE

“Personal Area Networks”

- Some wireless applications require even smaller
  - Power consumption
  - Cost
  - Size
- Examples
  - Building automation
  - Interactive toys
  - Smart badges (e.g., for location tracking)
  - Remote controls
  - Wireless sensor networks
  - Smart environments

ZigBee

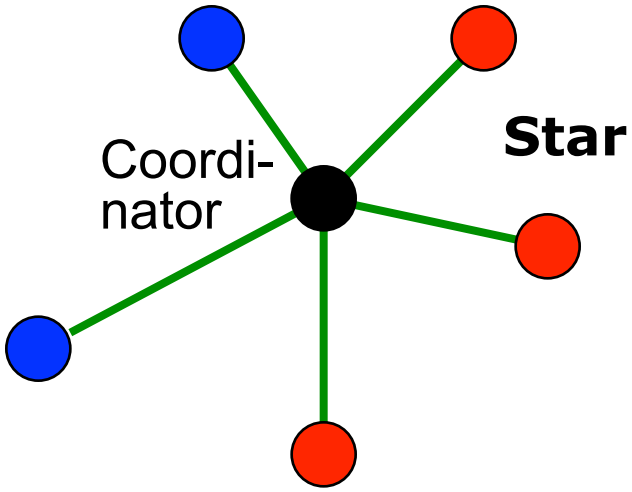
- Protocol specifications for low-power wireless communication
  - Published by ZigBee Alliance
  - ZigBee specification: http://www.zigbee.org
- Builds on IEEE 802.15.4 for wireless personal area networks (WPANs)
  - Wireless control and monitoring applications
- Simpler and cheaper than Bluetooth
- Requirements
  - Low data rate
  - Long battery life
  - Security

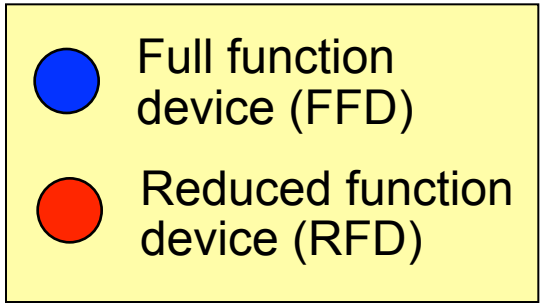
ZigBee Application Areas

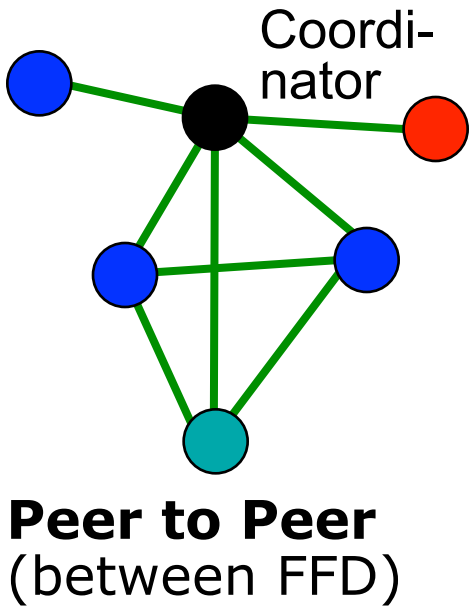
- Home entertainment and control
  - Smart lighting, temperature control, safety and security, movies and music
- Home awareness
  - Water sensors, power sensors, smoke and fire detectors, smart appliances, access sensors
- Mobile services and telecommunication
  - M-payment, m-monitoring, m-security and access control, m-healthcare and tele-assist
- Commercial buildings
  - Energy monitoring, lighting, access control
- Industrial plants, hospital care
  - Process control, asset management, environmental management, energy management, industrial device control

ZigBee Characteristics

- 2 kbit/s up to 250 kbit/s max
- Low complexity, cost and power consumption
- Multi-month / multi-year battery life
- Support of latency-critical devices (e.g., joysticks)
- Master-slave or peer-to-peer operation







ZigBee Radio Layer

- ZigBee physical (PHY) and medium access control (MAC) layers conform to IEEE 802.15.4 “Wireless Personal Area Network” (WPAN)
  - Unlicensed ISM bands (2.4 GHz, 915 MHz, 868 MHz ISM bands)
  - Direct-sequence spread spectrum coding
- Over-the-air data rate
  - 250 kbit/s per channel in 2.4 GHz band
  - 40 kbit/s per channel in 915 MHz band
  - 20 kbit/s in 868 MHz band
- Transmission range: 10 to 75 m
- Maximum output power: 1 mW
- Channel access: “carrier sense, multiple access / collision avoidance” (CSMA/CA)

WIRELESS LAN

Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN)

- Ethernet cable replacement
  - Infrastructure-based WLANs require access point
- Small area installations
  - Offices, homes, coffee shops
- City-wide installations (metropolitan area networks)
  - E.g. free WLAN service in Mountain View, California, by Google

- Stations: Devices with a Wireless Network Interface Card
  - Access points: base stations for the wireless network
  - Wireless clients: mobile or fixed user devices

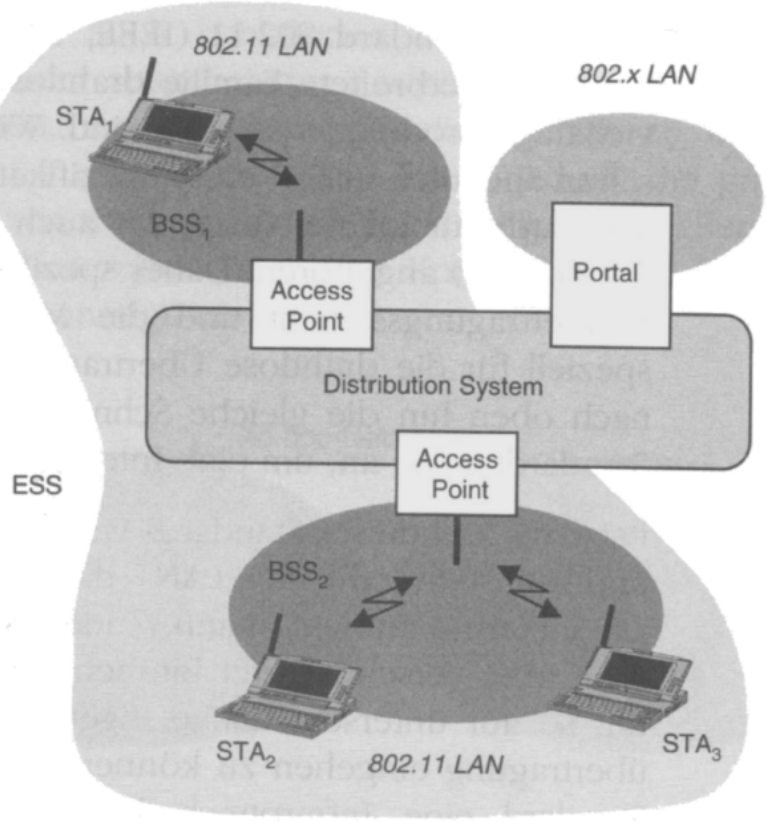
Wi-Fi

- Trade name for IEEE 802.11 WLAN technologies
  - Wi-Fi Alliance: http://wi-fi.org
- IEEE 802.11: set of standards for WLAN communication
  - 802.11a, 802.11b, 802.11g, 802.11n, etc.
  - 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands

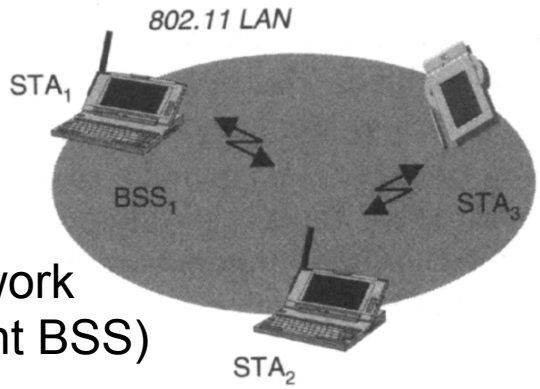
802.11x	Published	Frequency band (GHz)	Data rate (Mbit/s)	Range (indoor) (m)	Range (outdoor) (m)
–	1997	2.4	2	~20	~100
a	1999	5	54	~35	~120
b	1999	2.4	11	~38	~140
g	2003	2.4	54	~38	~140

WLAN Architecture

- Basic service set (BSS)
  - Set of communicating stations
  - Infrastructure BSS
    - Identified by MAC address of access point
  - Independent BSS (IBSS)
    - Ad-hoc network (no access points)
- Extended service set (ESS)
  - Set of connected BSSes
  - Identified by SSID (Service Set Identifier, character string)
  - Distribution system (DS) connects access points in an ESS



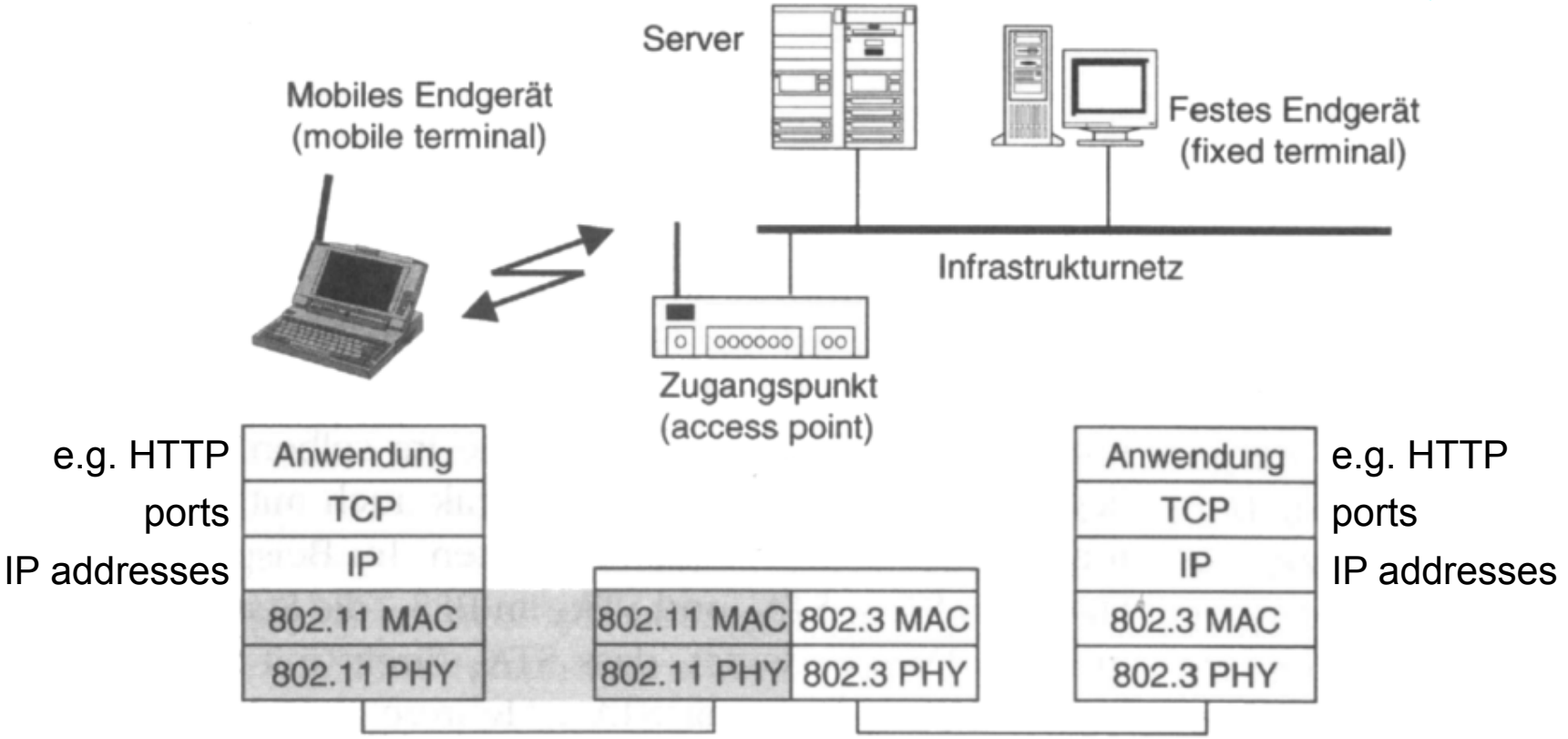
Infrastructure-based WLAN



Ad-hoc network
(Independent BSS)

Protocol Architecture

- WLAN (IEEE 802.11) fits seamlessly into LAN (IEEE 802.3)
  - WLAN connected to LAN via a bridge
  - Wireless access transparent to applications



WLAN Security

- Unobservable interception of wireless packets
  - No wire tapping necessary
  - Long range with good antennas
- Shared-key encryption
- Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP)
  - Original encryption standard for WLAN
  - Weak, can easily be broken
  - AP uses the same key as all the clients
- Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA, WPA2)
  - Developed by the Wi-Fi Alliance to replace WEP
  - Higher security (esp. WPA2)

Wireless Technologies Comparison

	WLAN (802.11)	Bluetooth (802.15.1)	ZigBee (802.15.4)
Range	~100 m	~1-100 m	~10 m
Data throughput	~2-54 Mbit/s	~1 Mbit/s	~250 kbit/s
Power consumption	Medium	Low	Ultra low
Size	Larger	Smaller	Smallest
Cost/complexity	Medium	Low	Very low

Bandwidth and range vs. consumption and cost

Source: Andrew D. Parker, http://lecs.cs.ucla.edu/~adparker/EE202A/hw2

GSM / GPRS / UMTS

First Generation – Analog

- Characteristics
  - Analog systems
  - Primarily designed for voice communication
  - Many different standards (1980s: 7 incompatible standards in Europe! – national regulations!)
  - Little protection against eavesdropping
- Systems
  - 1958: A-Netz (D)
  - 1972: B-Netz (D)
  - 1981: NMT (Nordic Mobile Telephone, Scandinavia)
  - 1983: AMPS (Advanced Mobile Phones Service, USA)
  - 1985: C-Netz (D)

First Generation – Analog

- 1983: AMPS (Advanced Mobile Phones Service)
  - Separate frequencies (“channels”) for each conversation
    - Frequency division multiple access (FDMA)
  - Considerable bandwidth
  - No protection from eavesdropping
  - 1998: USA still 80% AMPS

Analog Mobile Telephony in Germany

- 1958-1977: A-Netz (D)
  - “Öffentlicher beweglicher Landfunk (ÖbL)”
  - First mobile phone service in Germany
  - 10’500 users maximum
  - Hand-connected calls
- 1972-1994 B-Netz (D)
  - Self-dialled connections in both directions
  - 27’000 users maximum (reached in 1986)
  - Calling a mobile user required knowledge of location (users had to dial location prefix)
- 1985-2000: C-Netz (D)
  - 800’000 users maximum
  - Handover between cells
  - Dedicated number independent of location

Second Generation – Digital

- Characteristics
  - Digital systems (enhanced voice quality, SMS)
  - Connection-oriented
  - Compatible to ISDN telephony
  - Uniform standard in Europe (GSM)
- Systems
  - 1982: Global System for Mobile Communications, GSM (Europe)
  - 1991: first GSM network operational in Finland
  - 1993: PDC (Personal Digital Cellular, Japan)
  - 1995: IS-95 CDMA (cdmaOne, USA)
  - 1990: IS-54 and IS-136 TDMA (Digital AMPS, USA)

2.5 Generation – Digital

- Characteristics
  - Improvement and extension of GSM
  - HSCSD: multiple GSM connections in parallel
  - GPRS: packed service based over GSM
  - EDGE: increased bandwidth with better encoding

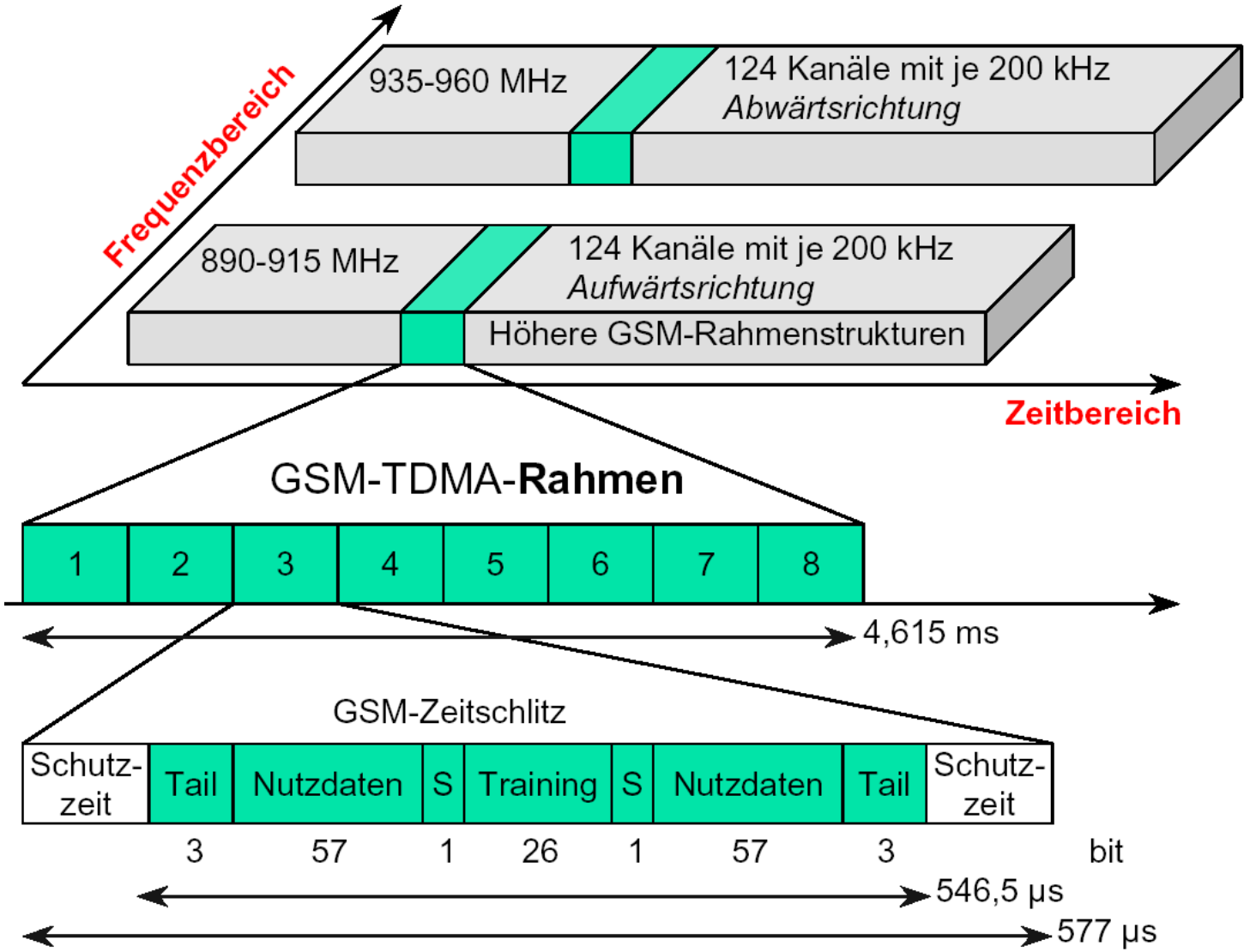
Third Generation – UMTS

- Characteristics
  - Digital system
  - Both connection and packet oriented
  - Global (worldwide) standard
  - Multimedia data
- Systems
  - 1992: frequency allocation fixed
  - 2002: UMTS networks in operation (universal mobile telecommunications system, also called 3GSM)

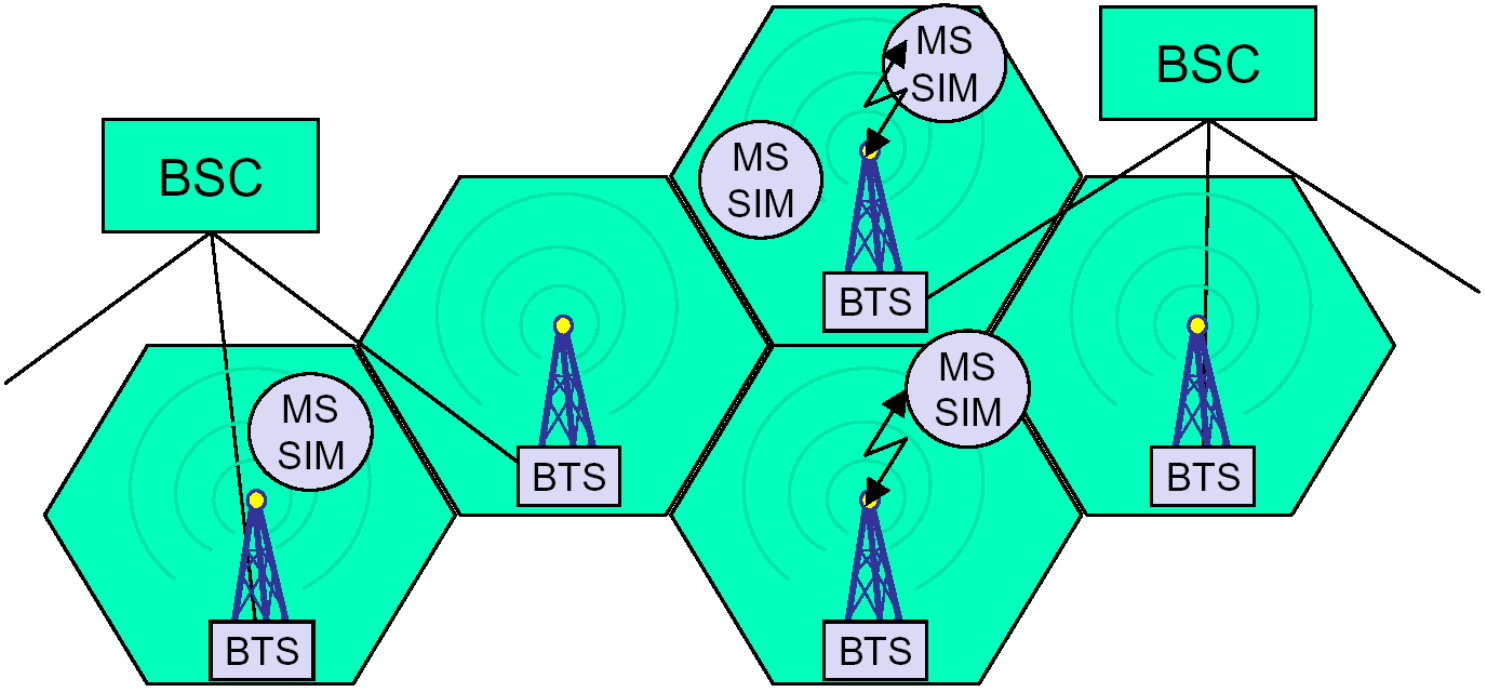
GSM Characteristics

- Mobile communication via a connection-oriented wireless channel
- Supports voice and data services (9.6 kbits/s)
- Separate data and control channels
  - SMS on control channel
- Phone number independent of location
  - GSM supports handover and location management
- Security via subscriber identity module (SIM)
  - Voice channel encrypted
- High system complexity (draft standard 5000 pages!)

GSM – FDMA / TDMA

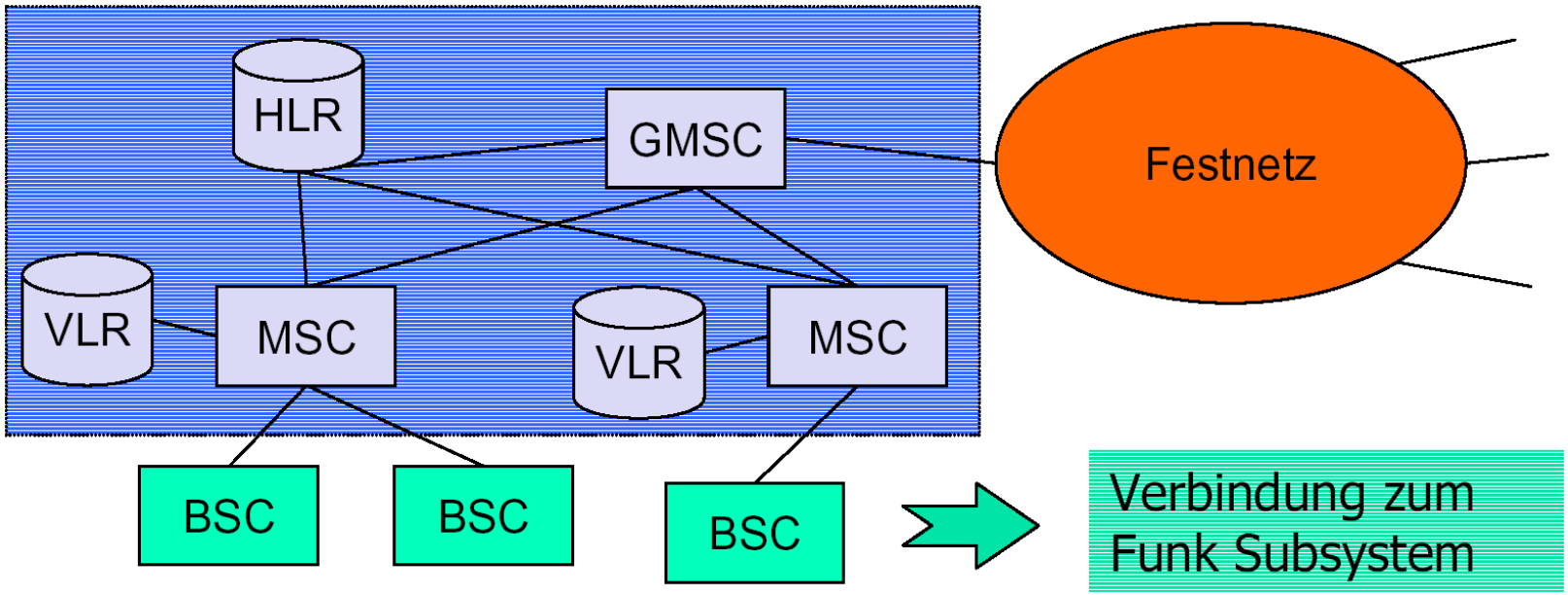


GSM – Radio Subsystem



- BSC: Base Station Controller
- BTS: Base Transceiver Station
- MS: Mobile Station
- SIM: Subscriber Identity Module

GSM – Network and Operation

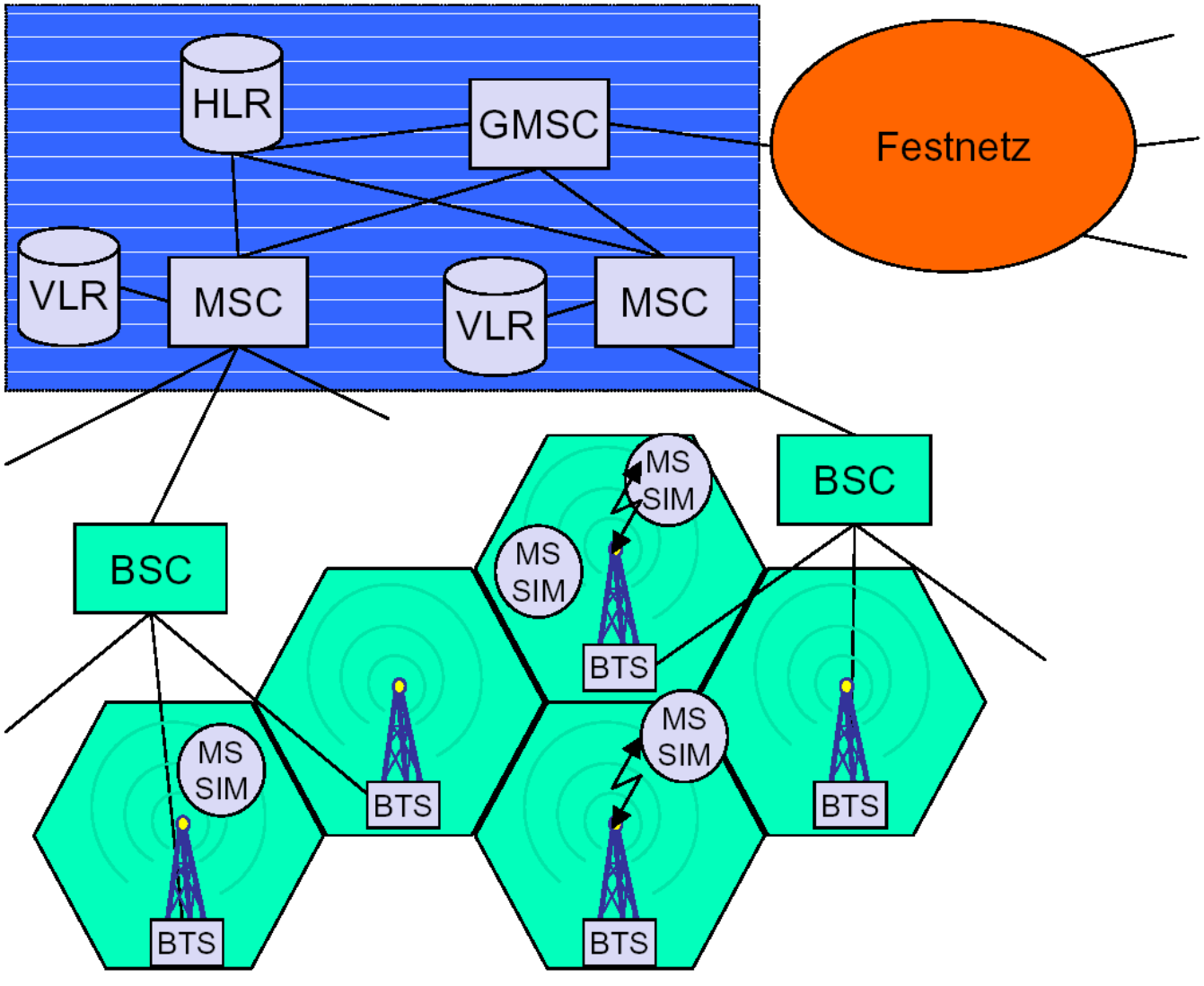


- MSC Mobile Services Switching Center
- GMSC Gateway MSC
- VLR Visitor Location Register
- HMR Home Location Register

GSM Architecture

Network subsystem / operation and maintenance subsystem

Radio subsystem / mobile station



Cell-Based Systems

- Locality of cells has many advantages
  - More users (reuse of frequencies)
  - SDMA (space division multiple access)
  - Less interference
  - Less send/receive power

GSM – Identifiers

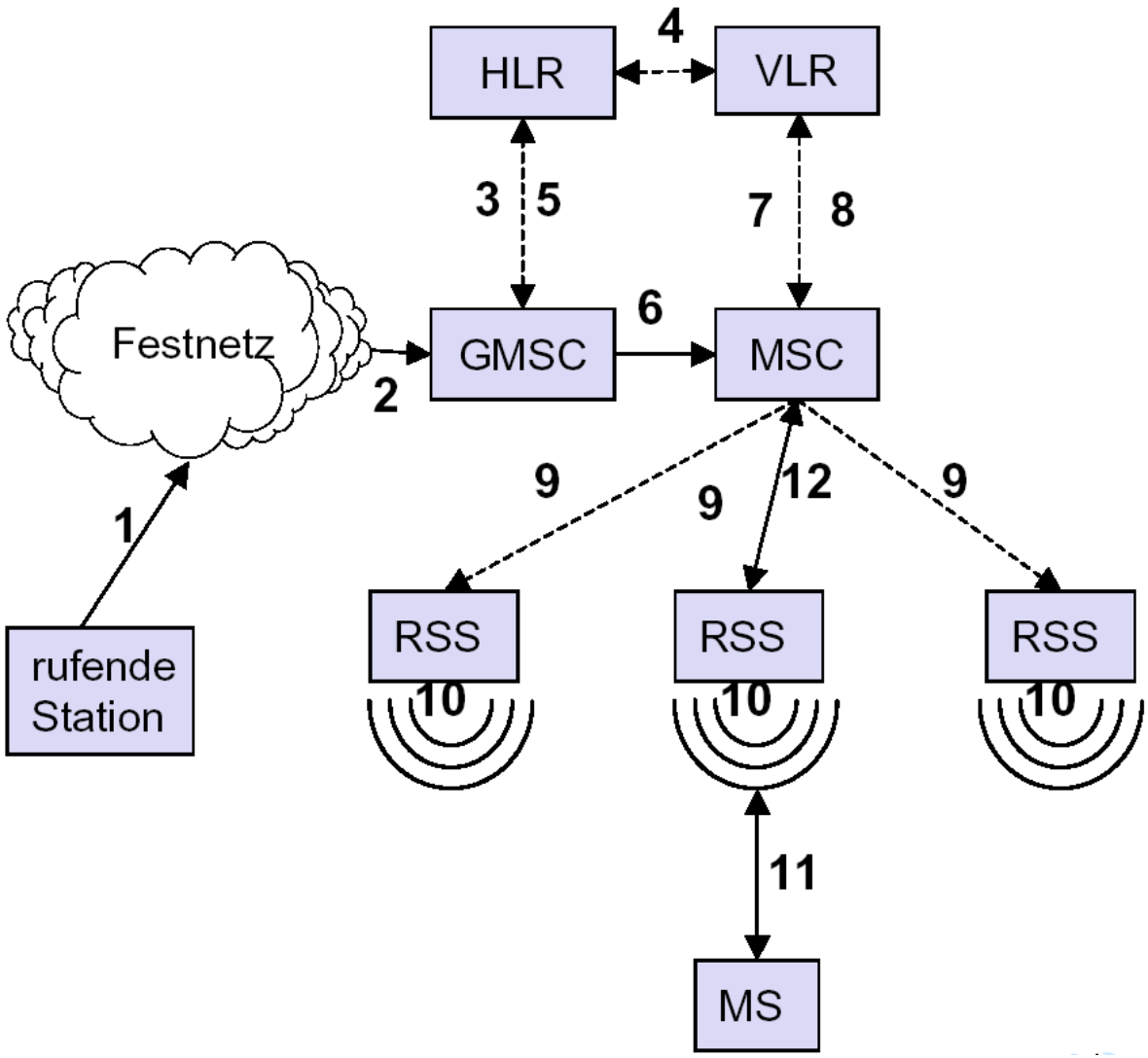
- MSISDN (Mobile Subscriber ISDN)
  - Hierarchical phone number (CC, NDC, SN)
  - Bound to SIM, not to MS
  - Identifies HLR
- IMSI (International Mobile Subscriber Identity)
  - Internal unique identity of the user (MCC, MNC, MSIN)
- TMSI (Temporary Mobile Subscriber Identity)
  - Real identity not revealed (system uses TMSI instead of IMSI)
  - Periodic change of TMSI
- MSRN (Mobile Station Roaming Number)
  - Same structure as MSISDN
  - Stored in HLR
  - Identifies current MSC / VLR

GSM – VLR / HLR

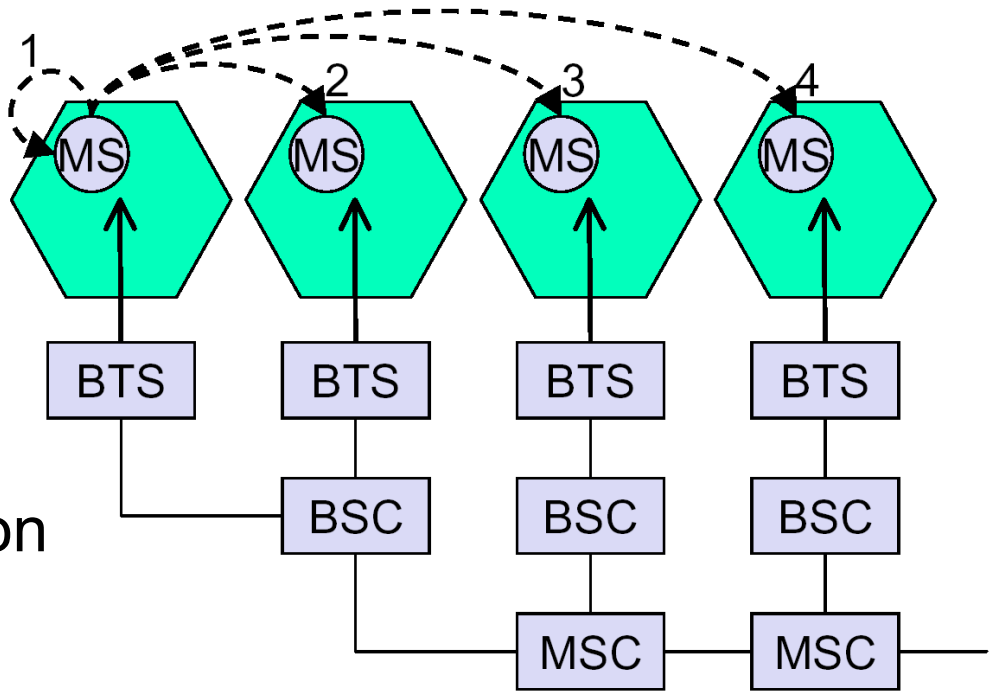
- Home Location Register
  - One per MS (mobile station)
  - Most important database in GSM
  - Identification via MSISDN
  - Stores user data
    - MSISDN
    - Enabled services
    - Authentication data
    - Current location (LA = location area)
- Visitor Location Register
  - One per MSC (mobile services switching center)
  - Data of all MS in area of MSC
  - Frequent update caused by appearing MS
  - Identification by MSRN

GSM – Call to MS

1 Call to MSISDN
2 Forwarding to GMSC
3 Call setup message to HLR
4 Query MSRN from VLR
5 Current MSRN
6 Call forward to current MSC
7,8 Request IMSI, TMSI
9,10 Call MS (paging)
11,12 MS responds



GSM – Handover



- Handover: transparently dispatch active connection to another access point
- Four kinds of handover
- Reasons for handover
  - Movement of MS (change of cell)
  - Load management
  - Noise on current channel

GSM Summary

- GSM is an very large standard
  - 5000 pages in original specification
  - Defines very many functional units and services
- Optimized for voice services
- Less suited for data services (http, ftp, …)
  - Low bandwidth
  - Connection-oriented (pay while connected)
  - Same capacity for both uplink and downlink
- Example of a successful standard

GPRS

- Extension of GSM
  - Integrated in “GSM Release 97”
- Packet-oriented data service
  - Use of time slots only if data available
- Better suited for data services, more flexible
  - Different bandwidth requirements up and down: different number of slots used
  - Pay for data volume, not for connection time
  - Different levels of quality of service (QoS)

GPRS – Data Rates

Technology	Download (kbit/s)	Upload (kbit/s)
CSD	9.6	9.6
HSCSD	28.8	14.4
HSCSD	43.2	14.4
GPRS	80.0	20.0
GPRS	60.0	40.0
EGPRS (EDGE)	236.8	59.2
EGPRS (EDGE)	177.6	118.4

UMTS

- Worldwide standard
- Various voice and data services (up to 2 Mbit/s)
- Compatible to Internet protocols
- Packet as well as connection-oriented
- Data rates
  - Up to 14 Mbits/s when stationary
  - At least 144 kbit/s even at high speeds
- Currently deployed systems
  - 384 kbit/s or 3.6 Mbit/s downlink, depending on handset

The End