



MIMO at Millimeter Wave

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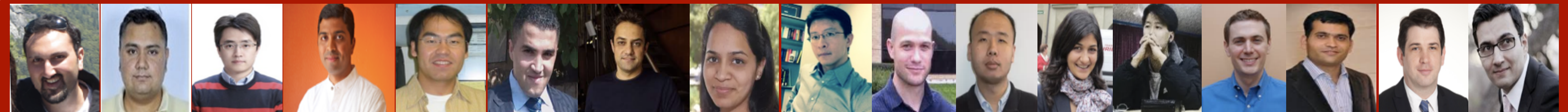
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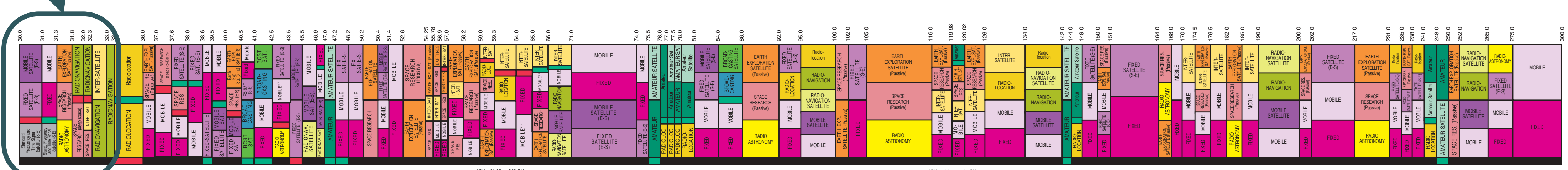
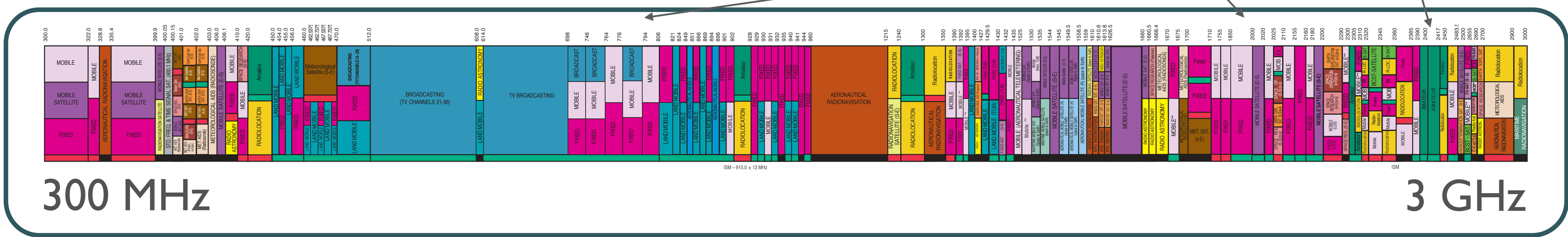


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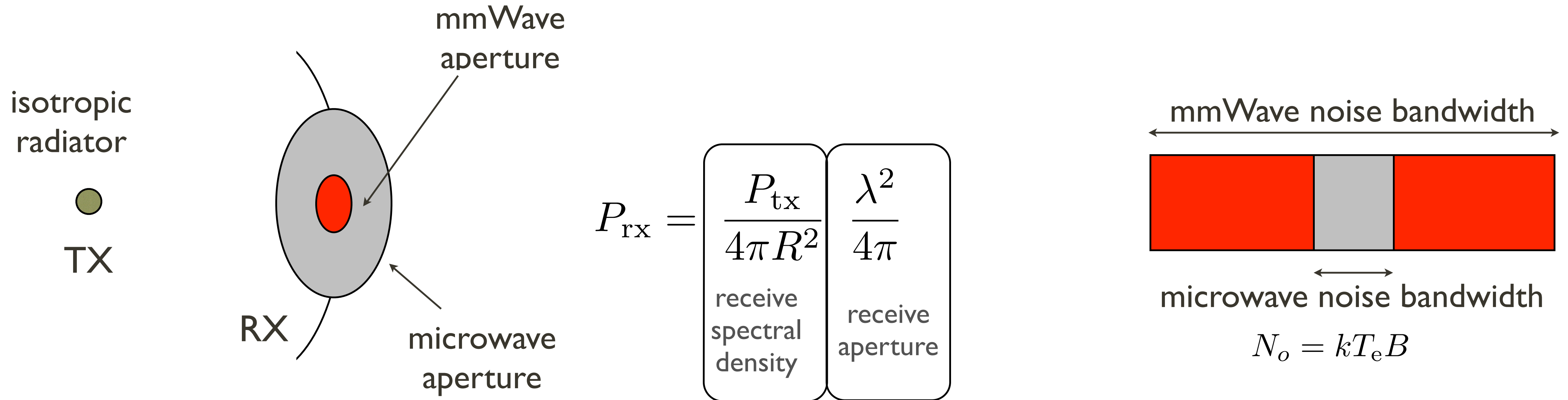
Motivation

Why Millimeter Wave?



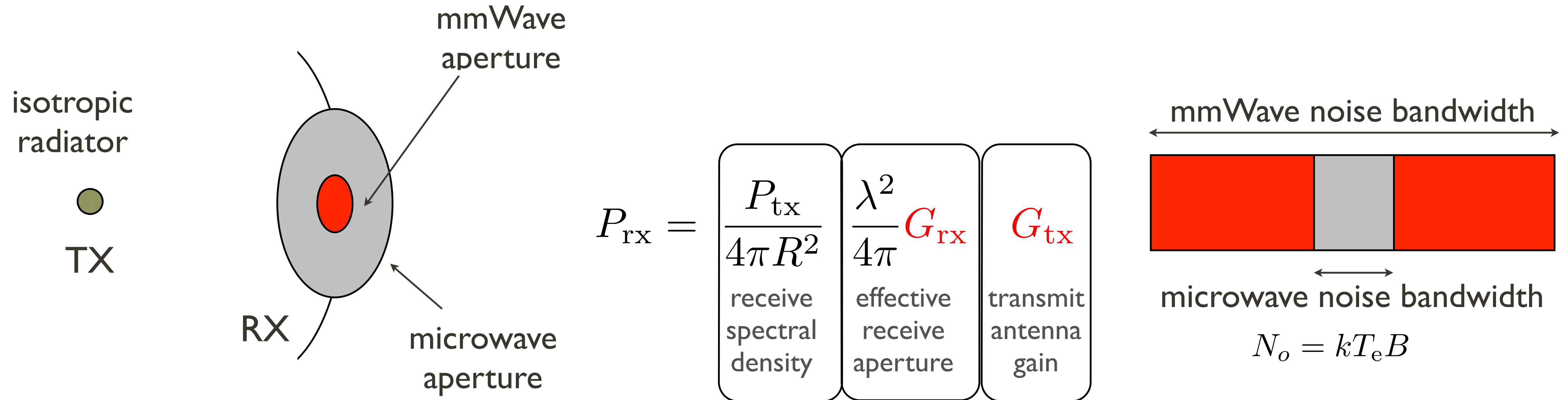
- * Huge amount of spectrum available in mmWave bands
- * Technology advances make mmWave possible for low cost consumer devices
- * mmWave research is as old as wireless itself, e.g. Bose 1895 and Lebedew 1895

Gain and Aperture in mmWave



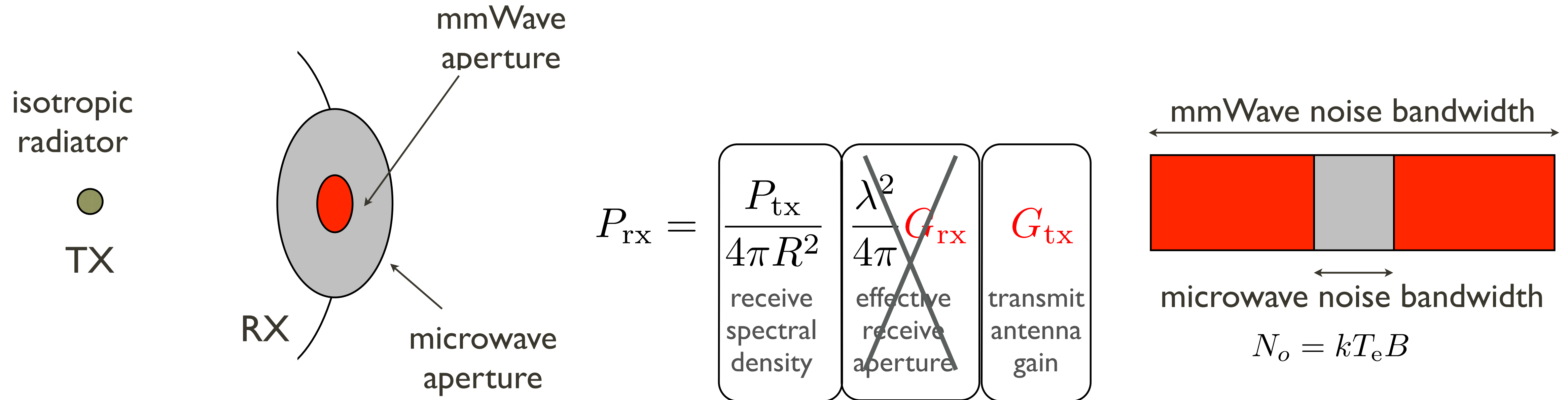
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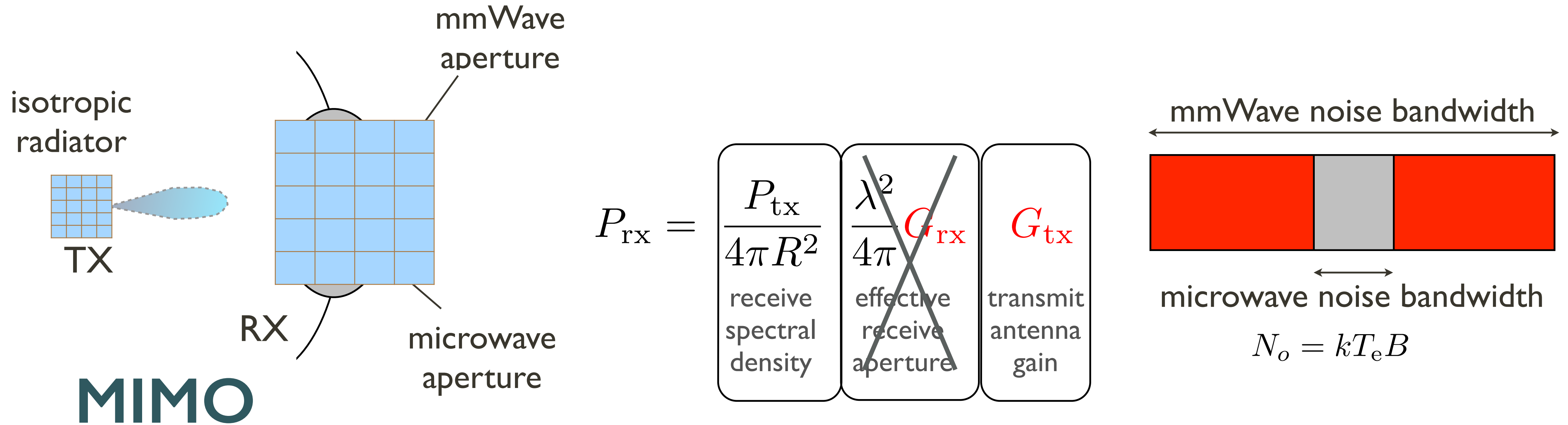
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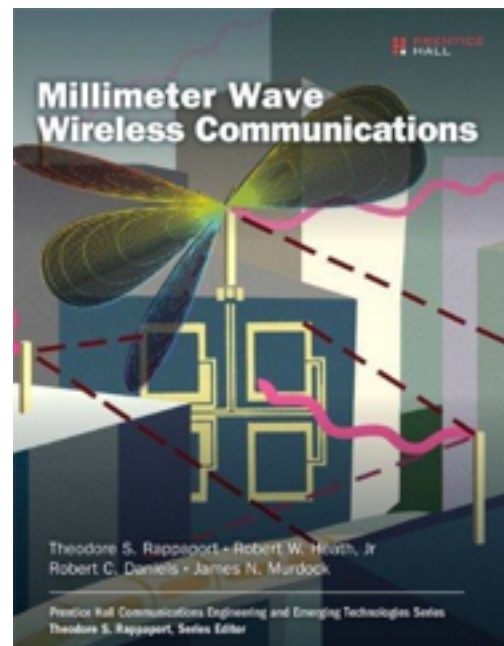
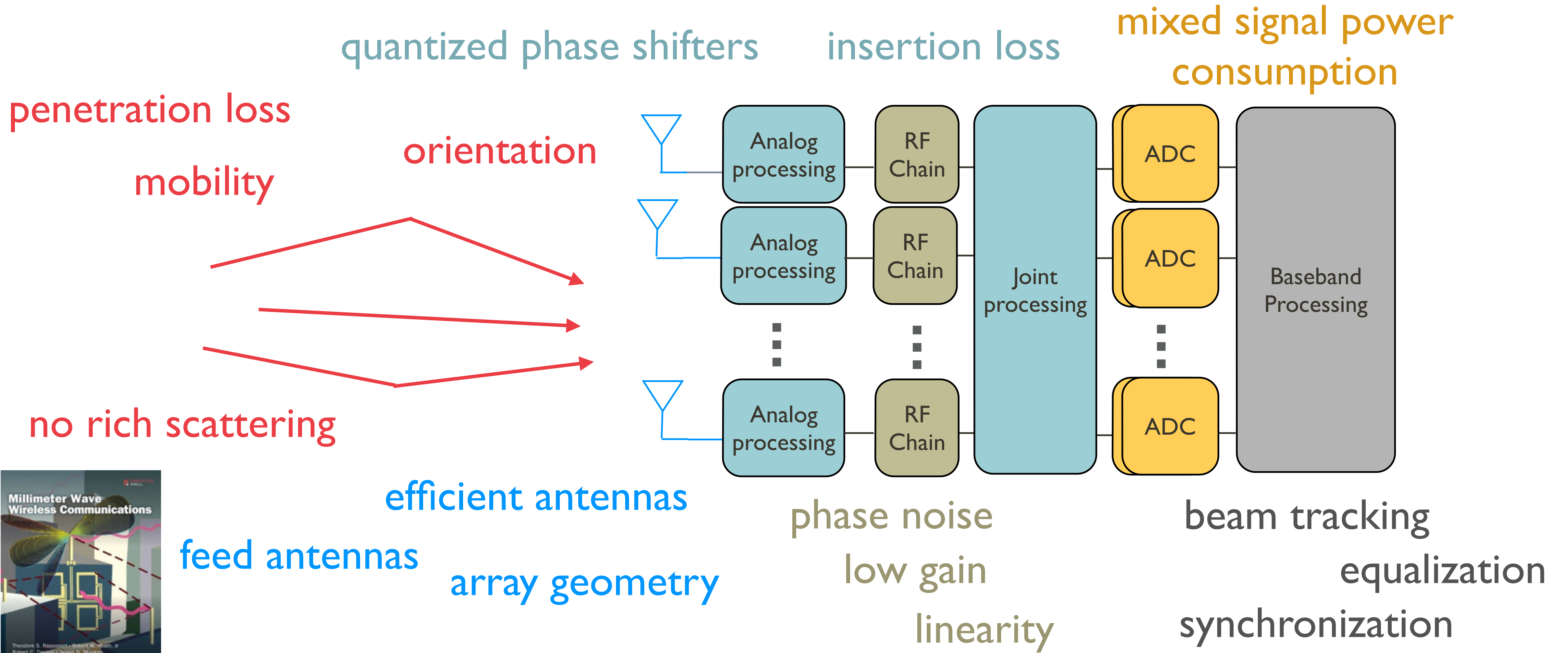
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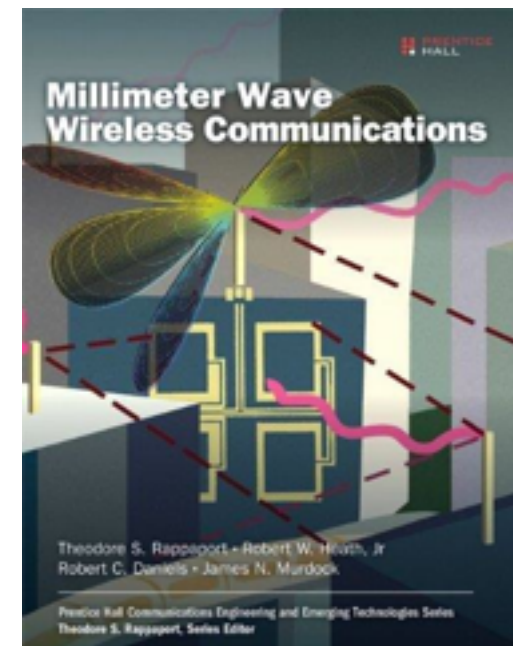
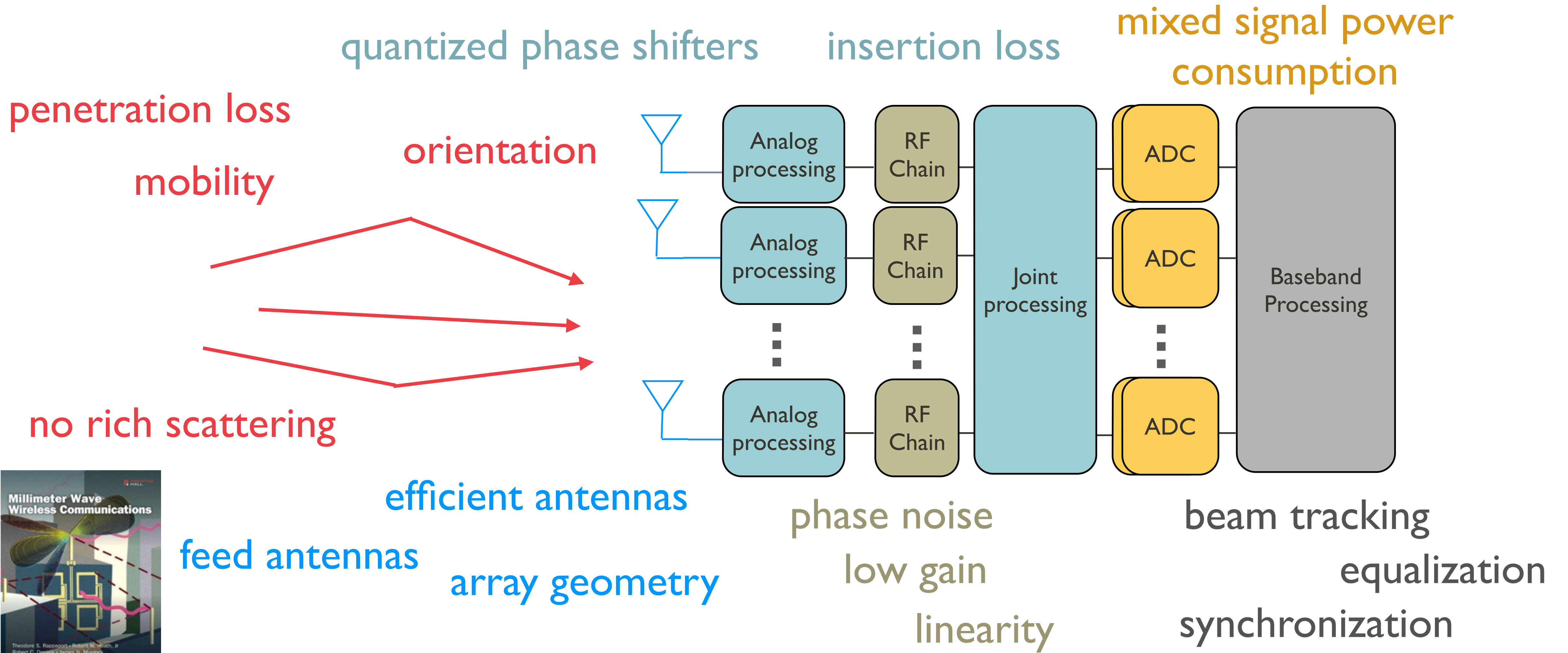
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Exploit gain from large antenna arrays

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Compounded by use of MIMO with 8 to 256 antennas or more

The Channel at Microwave vs. mmWave

	microwave WiFi or Cellular	mmWave WiFi	mmWave 5G (???)
bandwidth	1.4 MHz to 160 MHz	2.16 GHz	100 MHz to 2 GHz
# antennas @ BS or AP	1 to 8	16 to 32	64 to 256
# antennas @ MS	1 or 2	16 to 32	4 to 16
delay spread	100 ns to 2 us	5 to 47 ns	12 to 40 ns
angle spread	1° to 60°	60° to 100°	up to 50°
# clusters	4 to 9	< 4	< 4
orientation sensitivity	low	medium	high
small-scale fading	Rayleigh	Nakagami	non-fading or Nakagami
large-scale fading	distant dependent + shadowing	distant dependent + shadowing	distant dependent + blockage
path loss exponent	2-4	2 LOS, 2.5 to 5 NLOS	2 LOS, 3.5 to 4.5 NLOS
penetration loss	some	varies	possibly high
channel sparsity	less	more	more
spatial correlation	less	more	more

LOS: line-of-sight

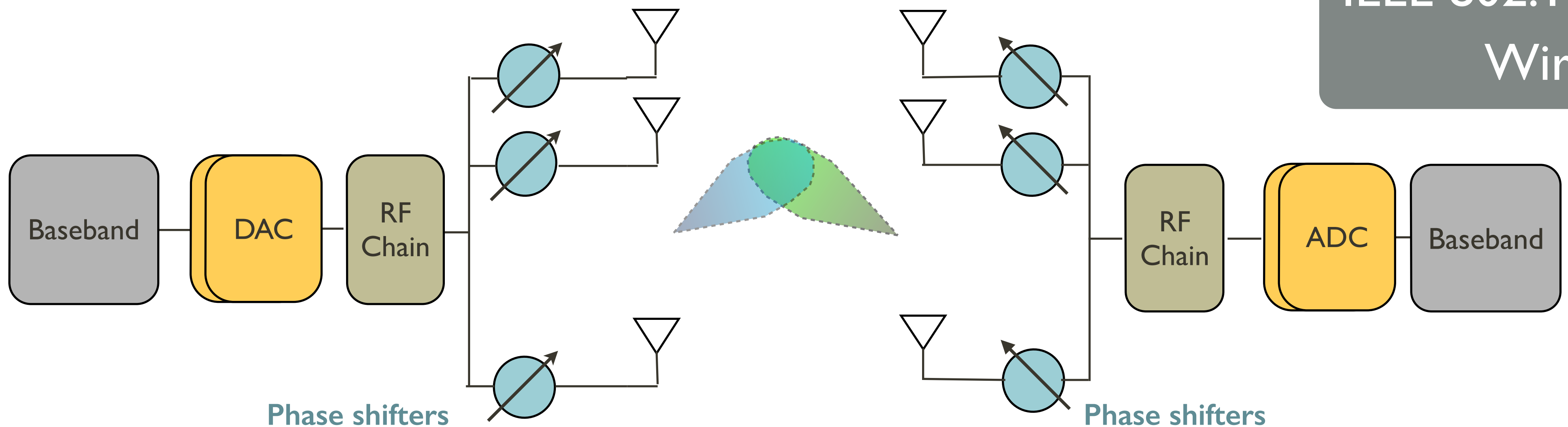
NLOS: non-line-of-sight

Data synthesized from various sources

MIMO at mmWave

Analog Beamforming

De-facto approach in IEEE 802.11ad / WiGig and Wireless HD



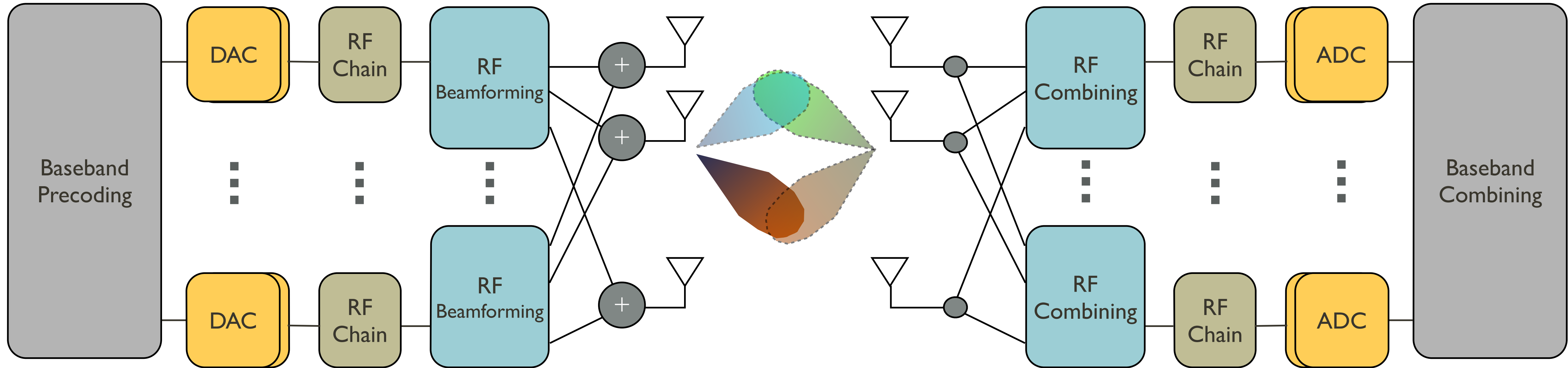
- * Motivated by power consumption of ADCs and hardware complexity
- * Suitable for single-stream transmission, multi-stream and multi-user complicated
- * Joint search for optimal beamforming and combining vectors w/ codebooks

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Hybrid Beamforming

Current research direction
in industry and academia



- * Makes compromise on power consumption and hardware complexity
- * Hybrid analog/digital precoding enables spatial multiplexing and multi-user MIMO
- * Digital can correct for analog limitations
- * Approaches baseband digital performance *, can exploit sparsity **

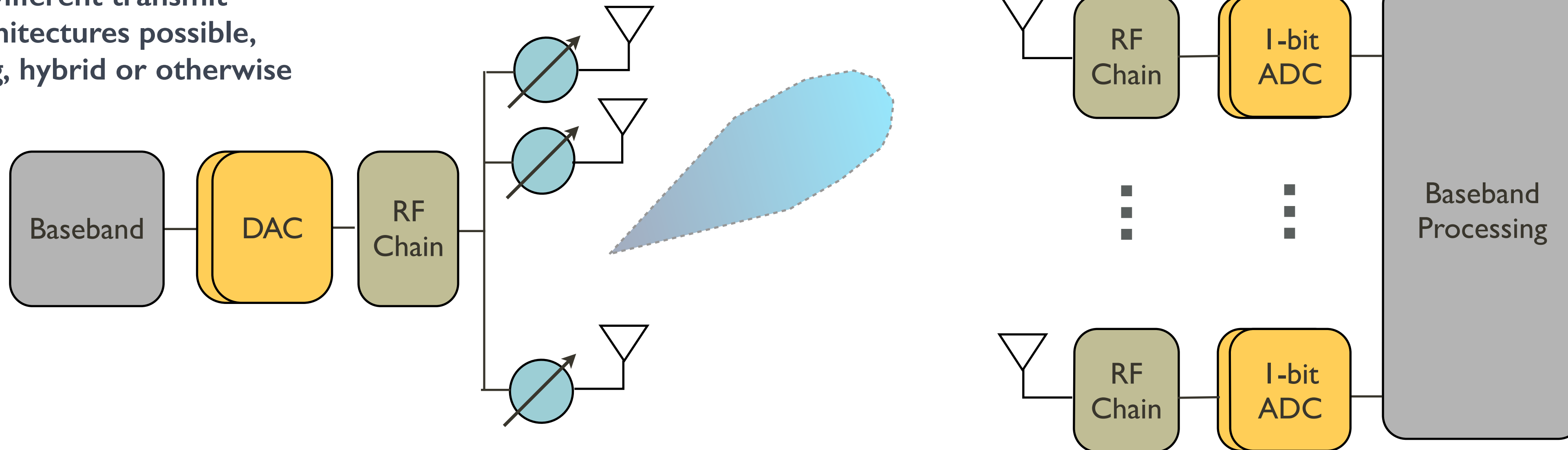
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Ultra Low Resolution Receiver

Current academic
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Different transmit
architectures possible,
analog, hybrid or otherwise

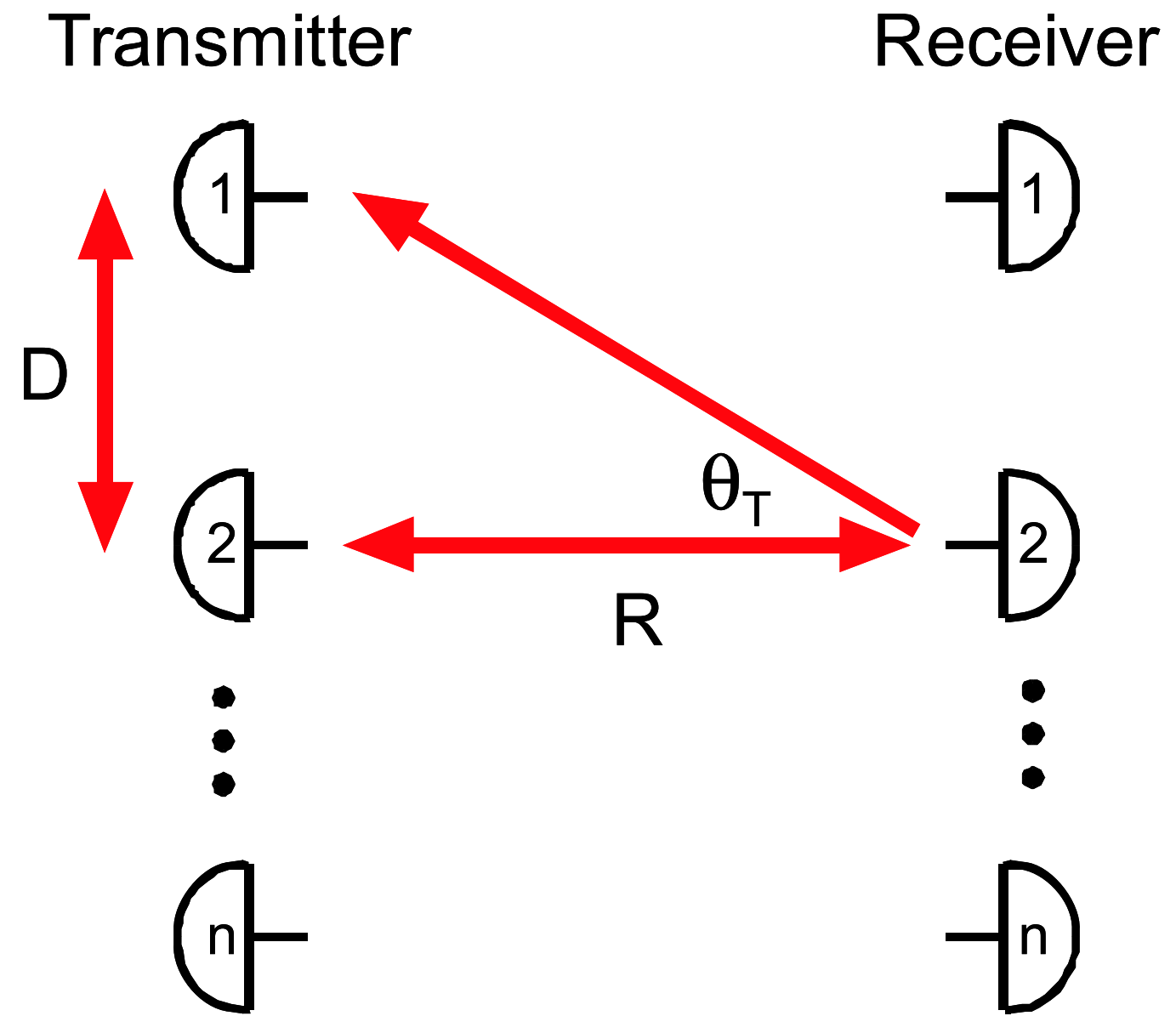


- * Use I-bit ADCs (pair) for each RF chain, ultra low power solution
- * Perform digital combining for all the highly quantized received signals
- * Promising high SNR capacity results at high SNR*
- * Many open topics: channel estimation, equalization, constellation optimization

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See also extensive work by research groups led by U. Madhow, J. Nosssek, G. Fettweis, G. Kramer, and O. Dabeer and others

Line-of-Sight MIMO

Current academic research direction



Angular separation of the Tx elements
 $\theta_T \cong \frac{D}{R}$ Antenna spacing / Link range

Angular resolution of the Rx array
 $\theta_{res} \cong \frac{\lambda}{n \cdot D}$

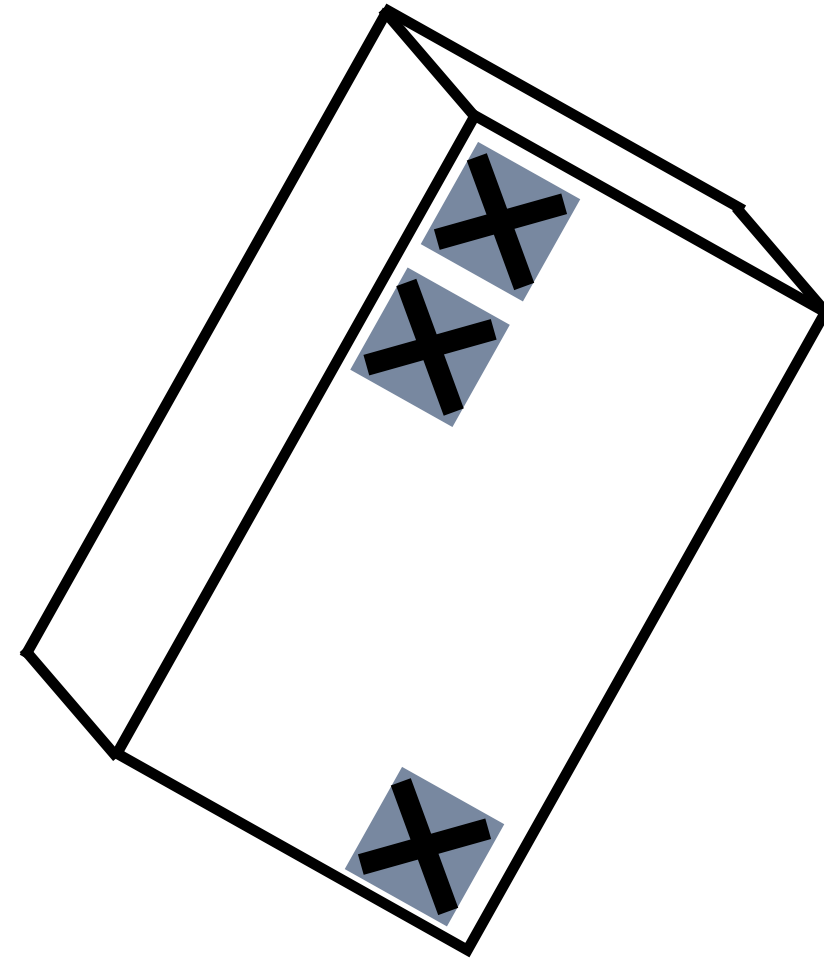
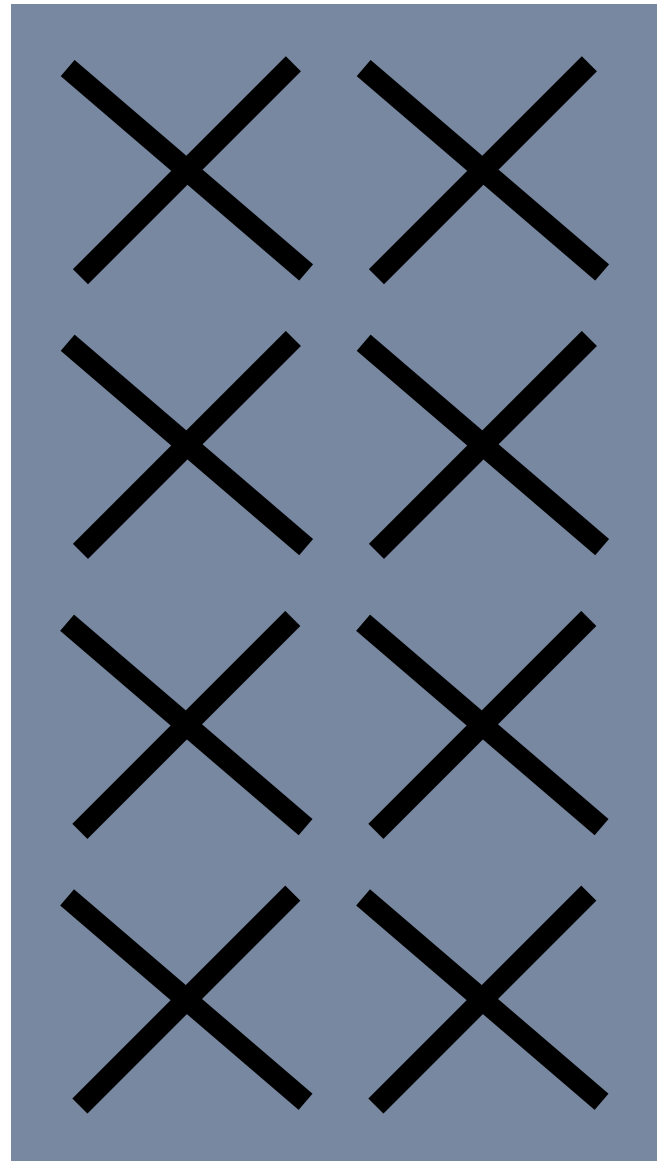
$$\theta_T \geq \theta_{res} \Rightarrow D = \sqrt{\frac{R \cdot \lambda}{n}}$$

mmWave LOS MIMO system*

- * Multiple parallel mmWave LOS MIMO links can be established
- * System relies on antenna element spacing from diffraction-limited optics
- * Links are robust to deviations in antenna alignment and array positioning
- * 300Gbps data rates*
- * Applications
 - Data centers
 - Chip-to-chip

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MIMO with Polarization



- * Polarization works at mmWave
- * Helps orthogonalize channels
- * System design needs to deal with challenges, e.g., mobile misorientation
- * Mobile orientation can be estimated without explicit channel knowledge*
- * Diversity and multiple users**

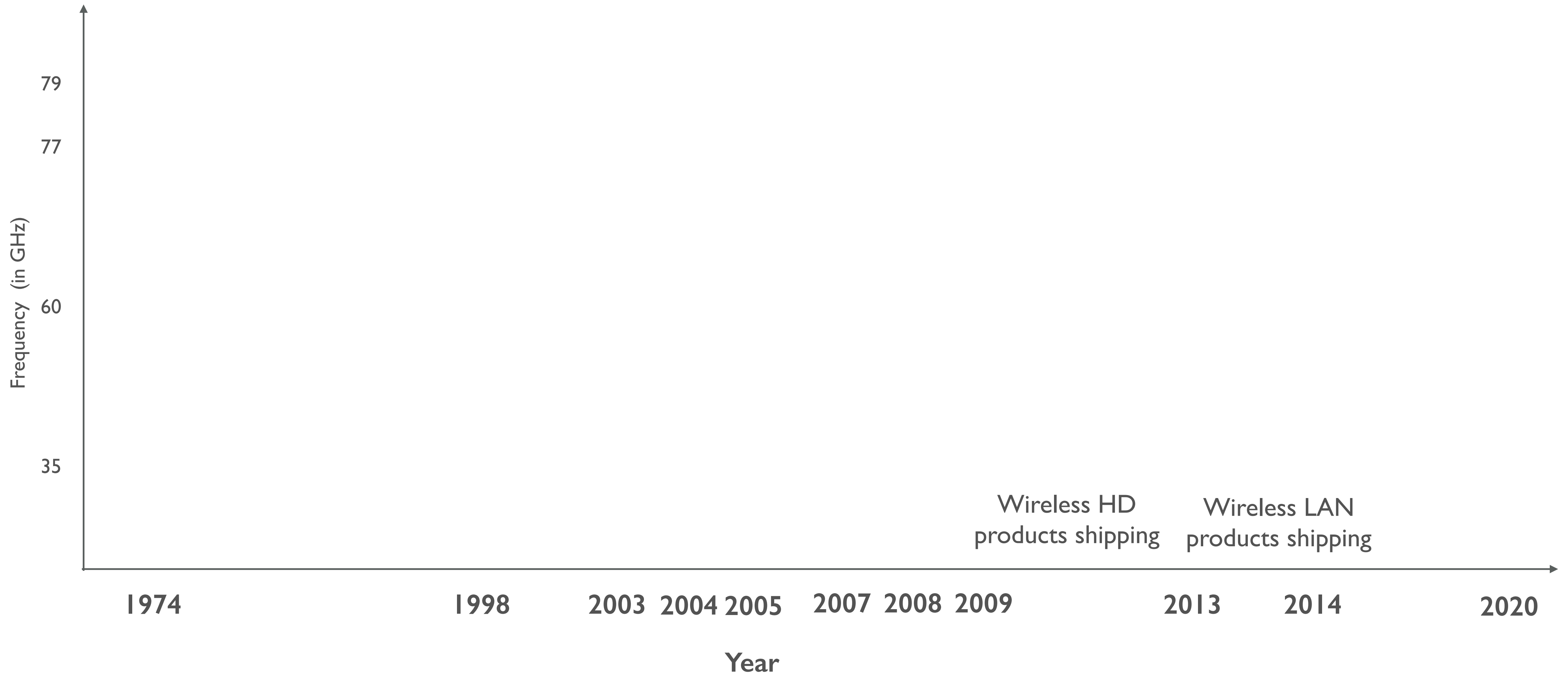
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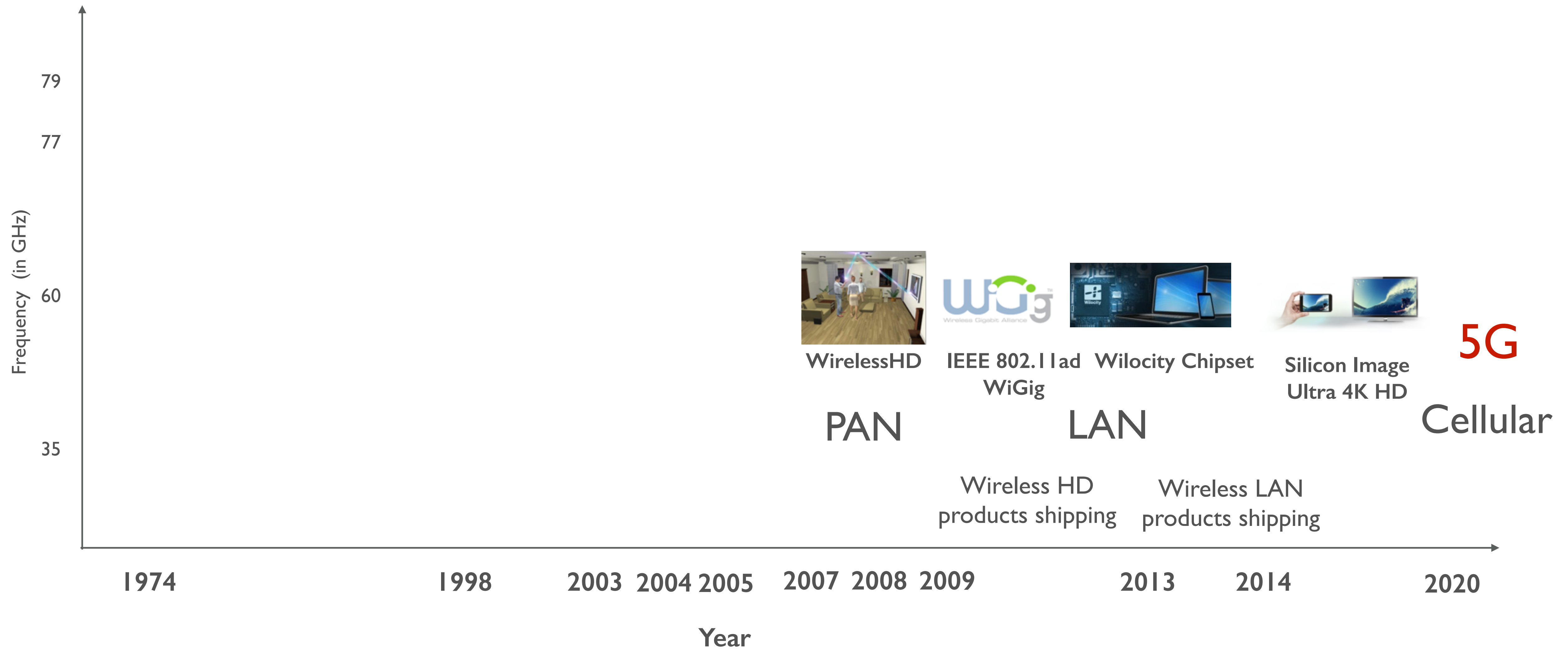
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Consumer Applications of mmWave MIMO

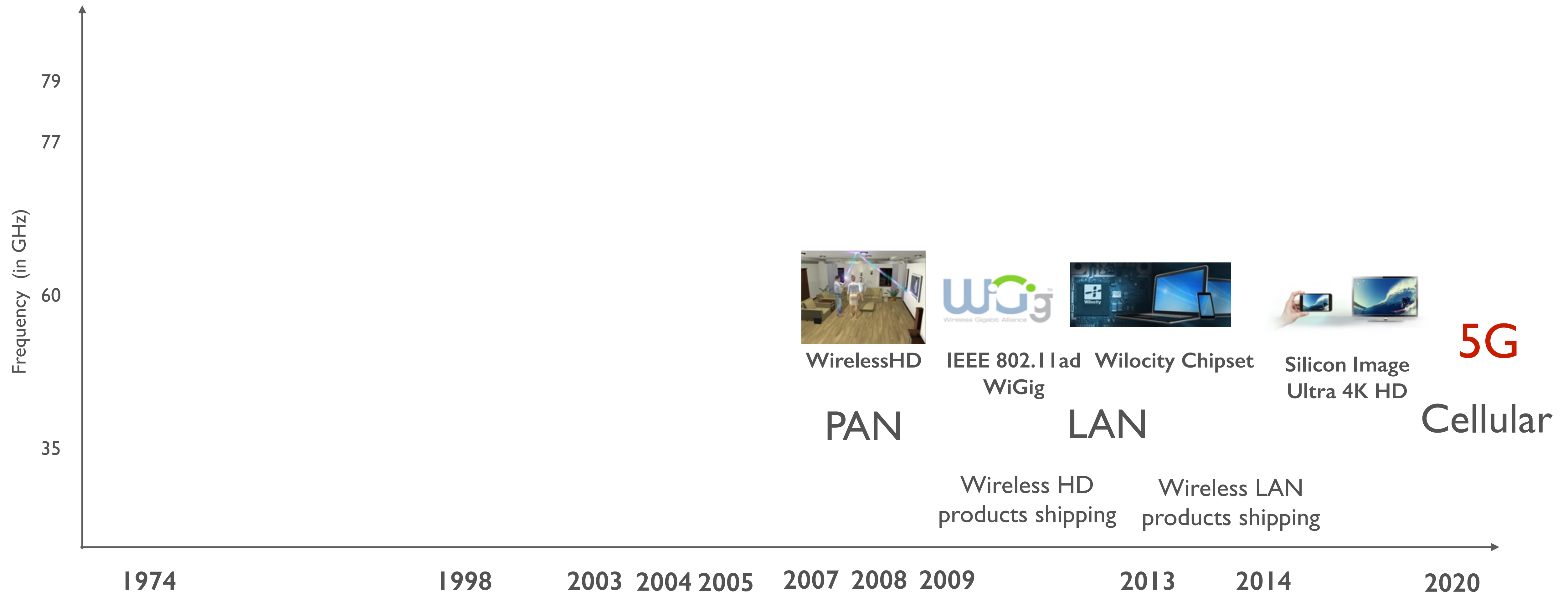
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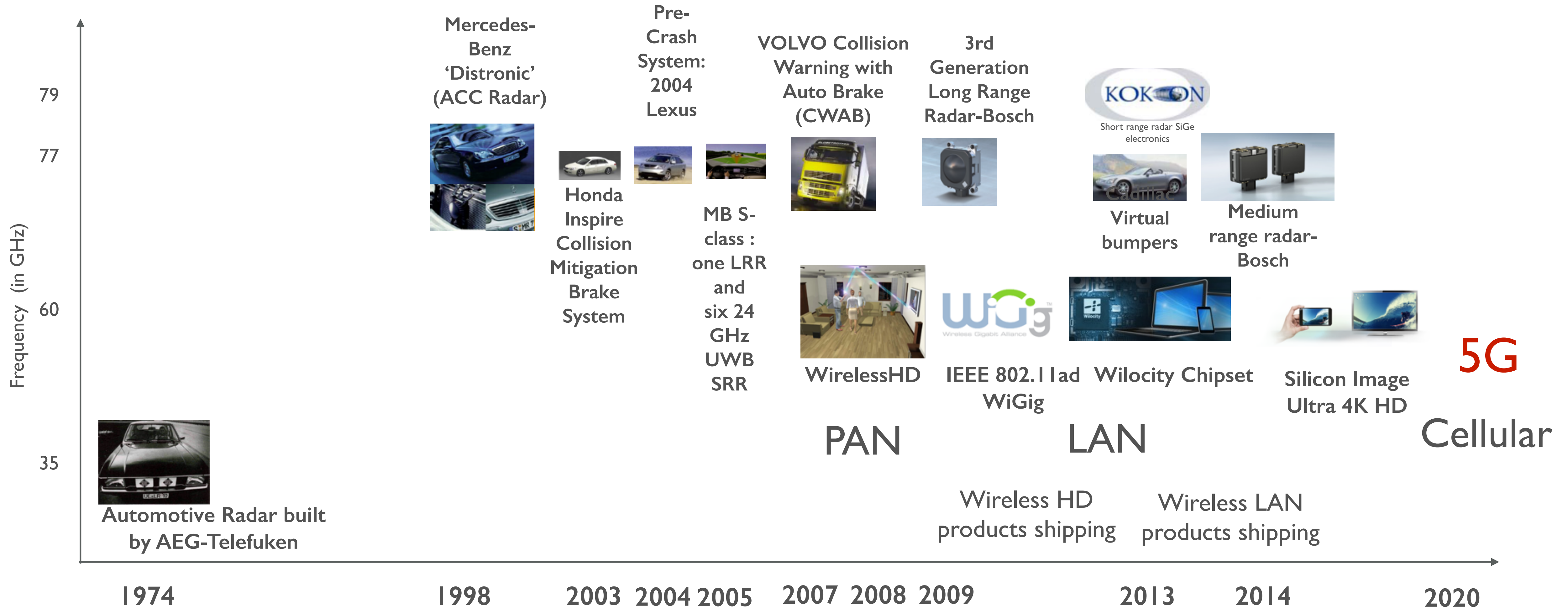


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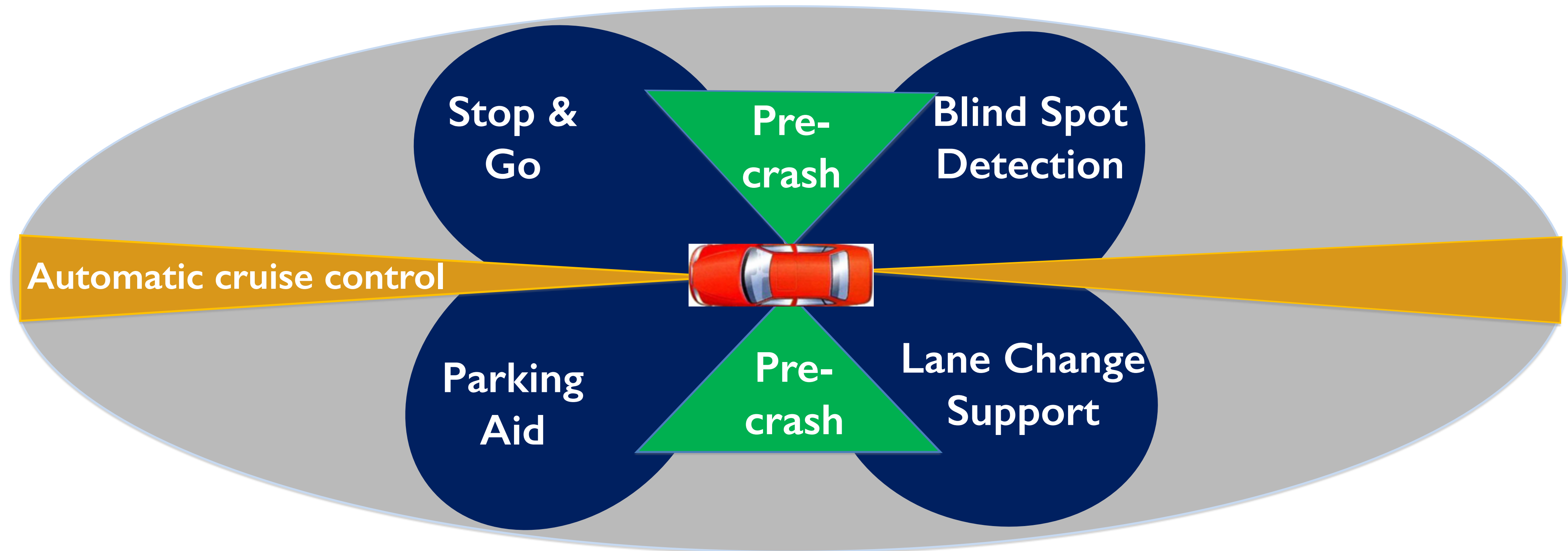
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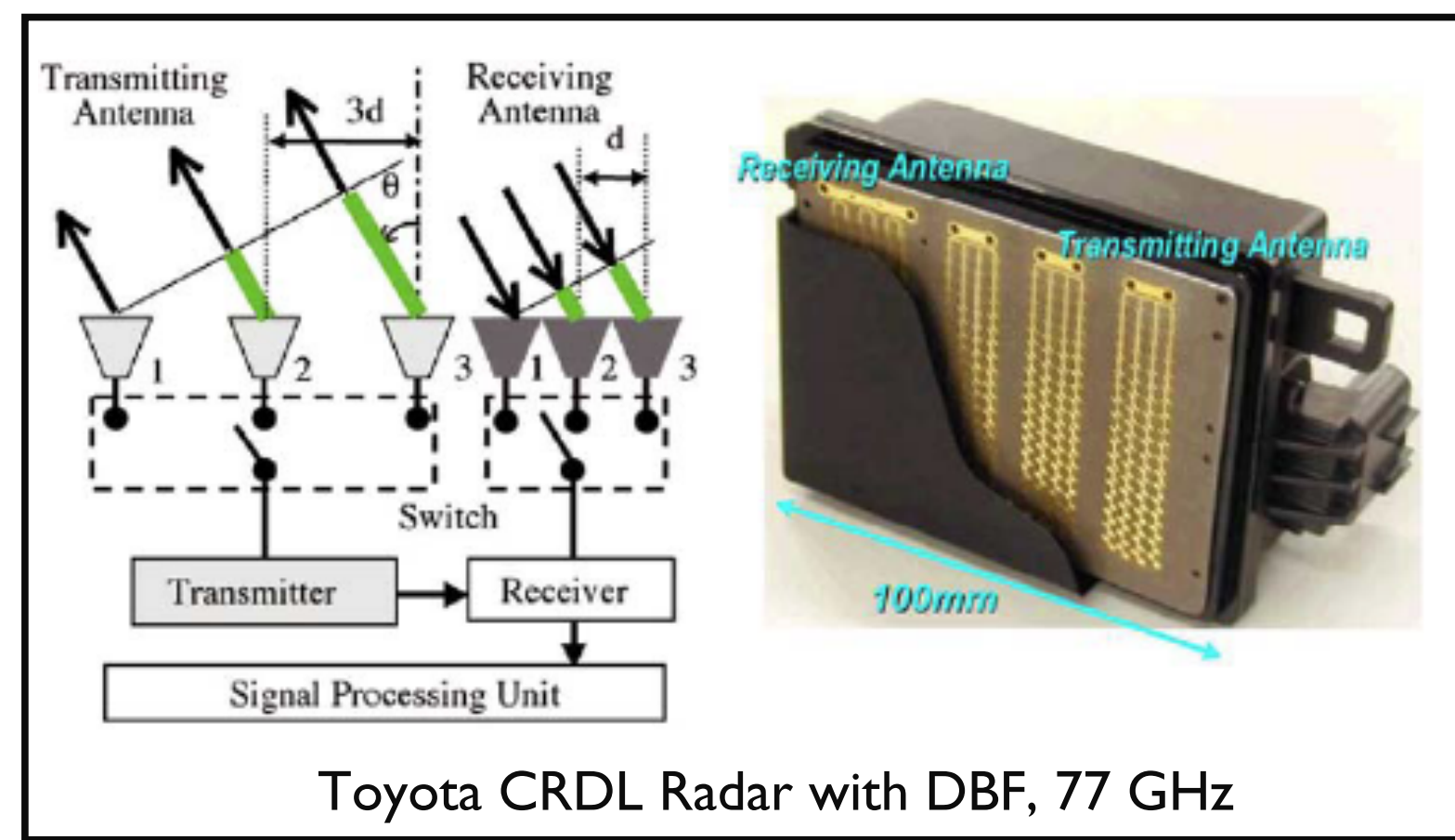
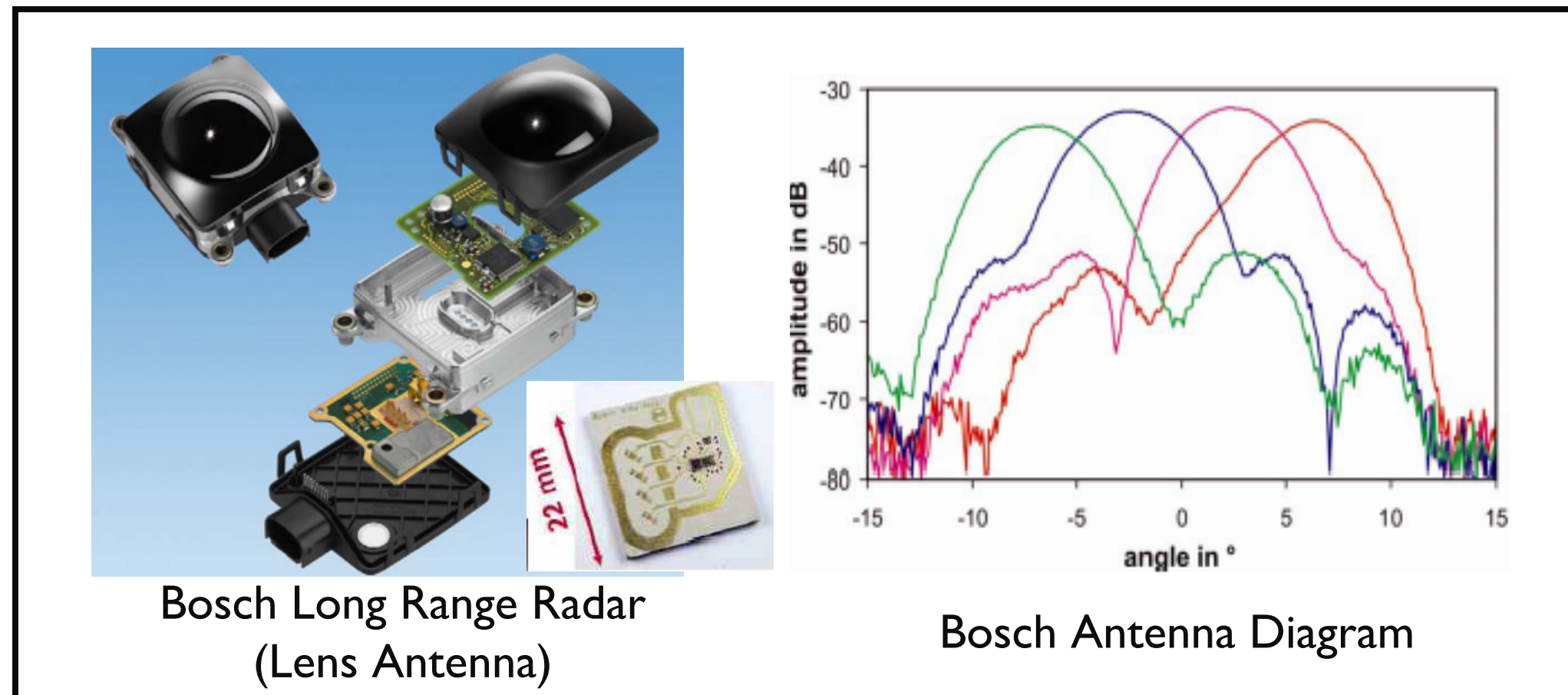
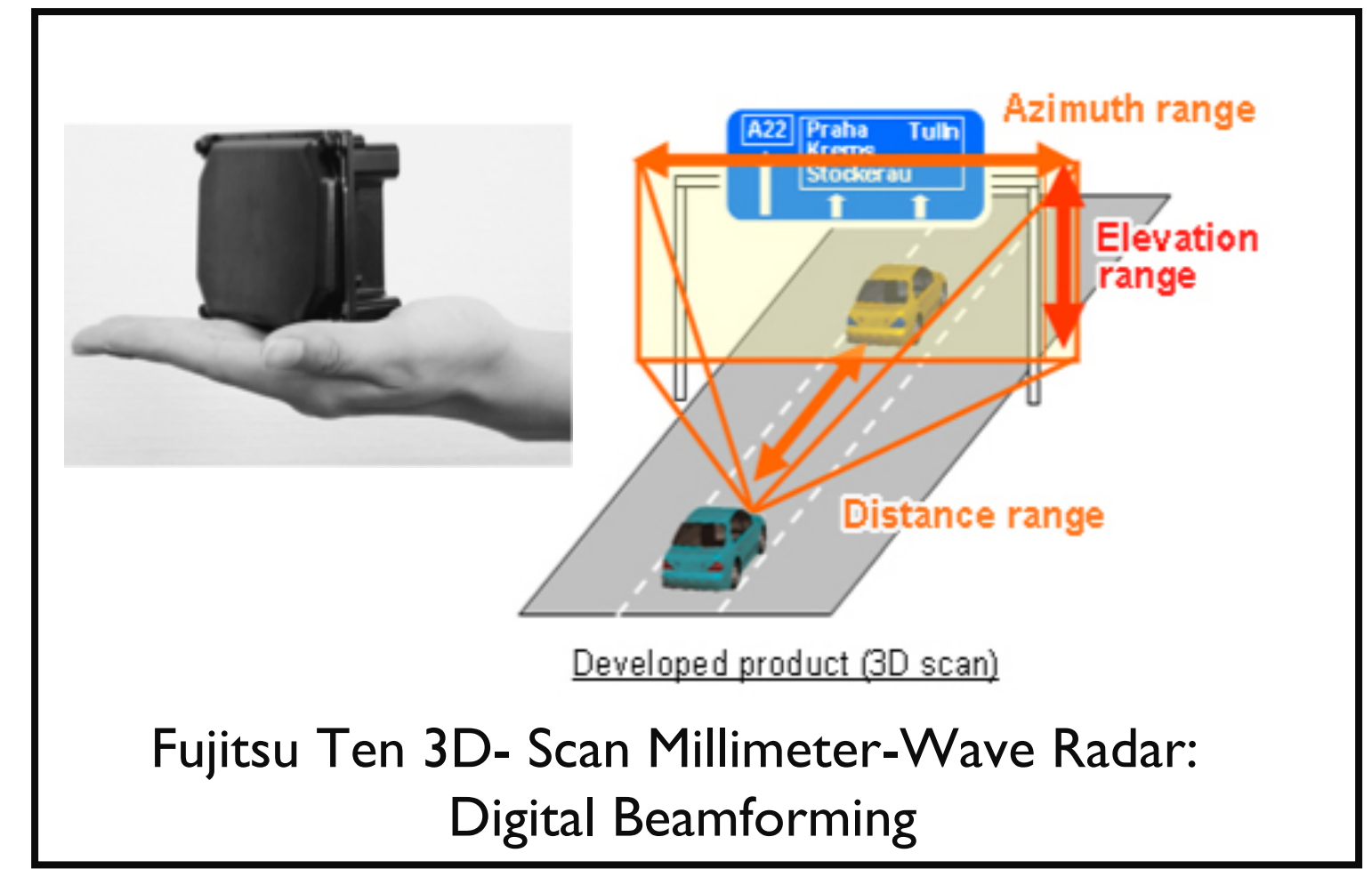
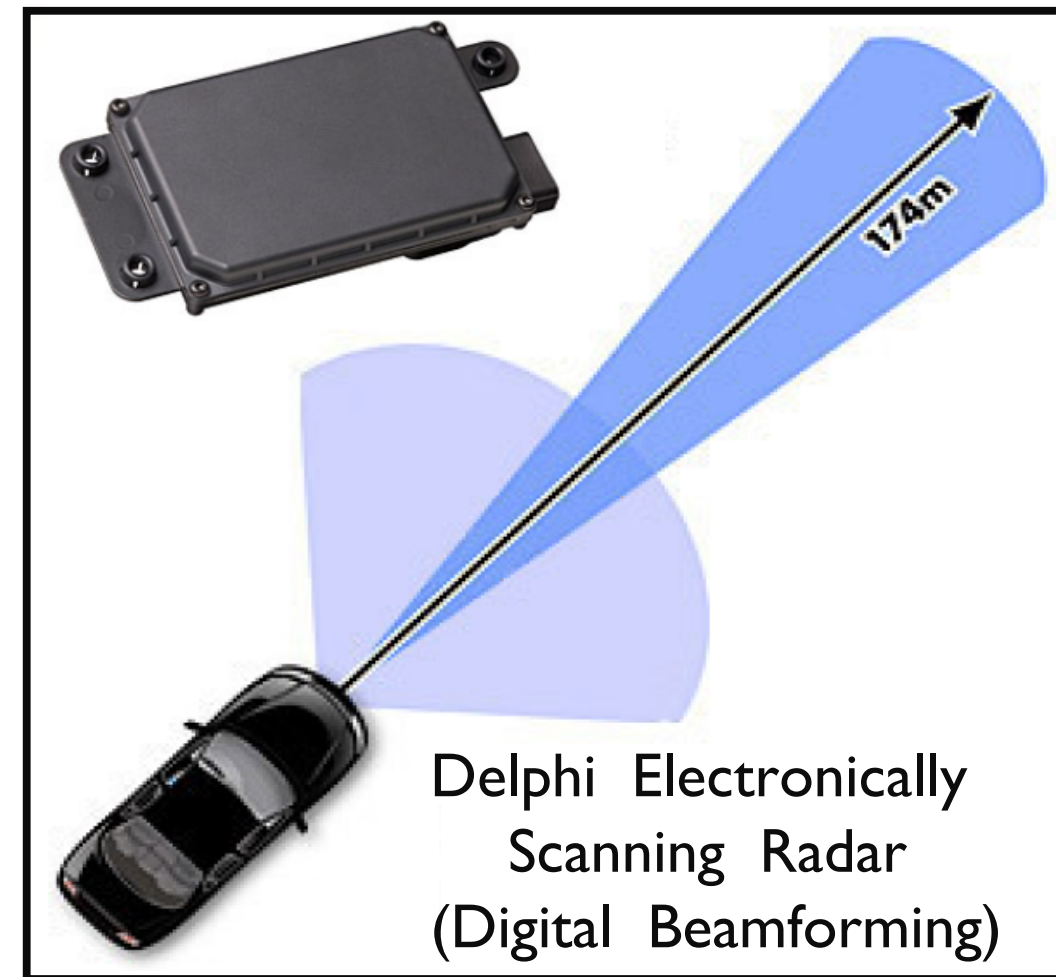
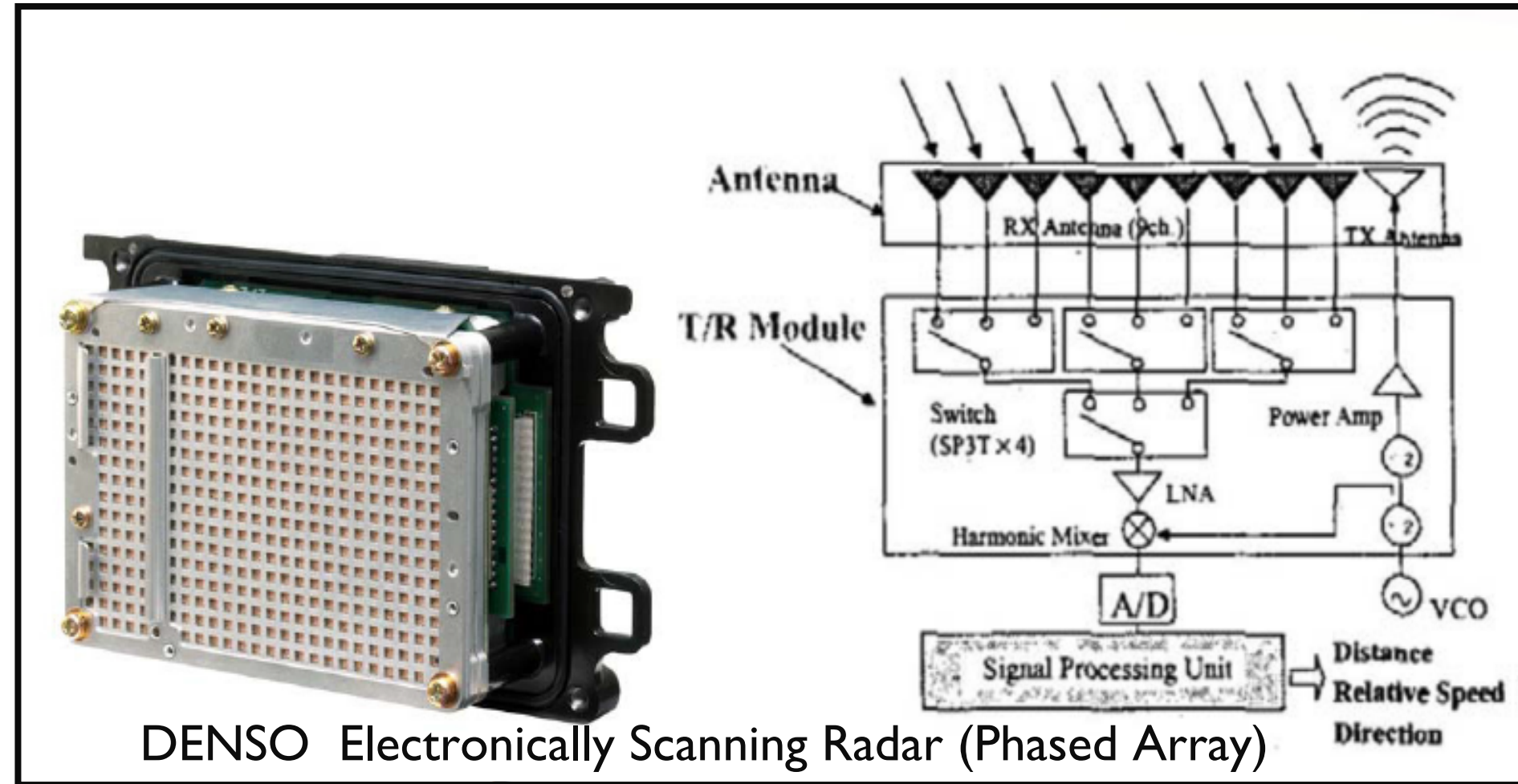
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Concept of Automotive Radar



- * Long range radar (LRR) operates in 76-77 GHz with a bandwidth of 600 MHz
- * Short range radar (SRR) operating in 24GHz band is getting replaced by 79-81 GHz band
- * Medium range radar (MRR) operates in 77-81 GHz with a bandwidth of 600 MHz

How Multiple Antennas are Incorporated



Research Issues in Automotive Radar

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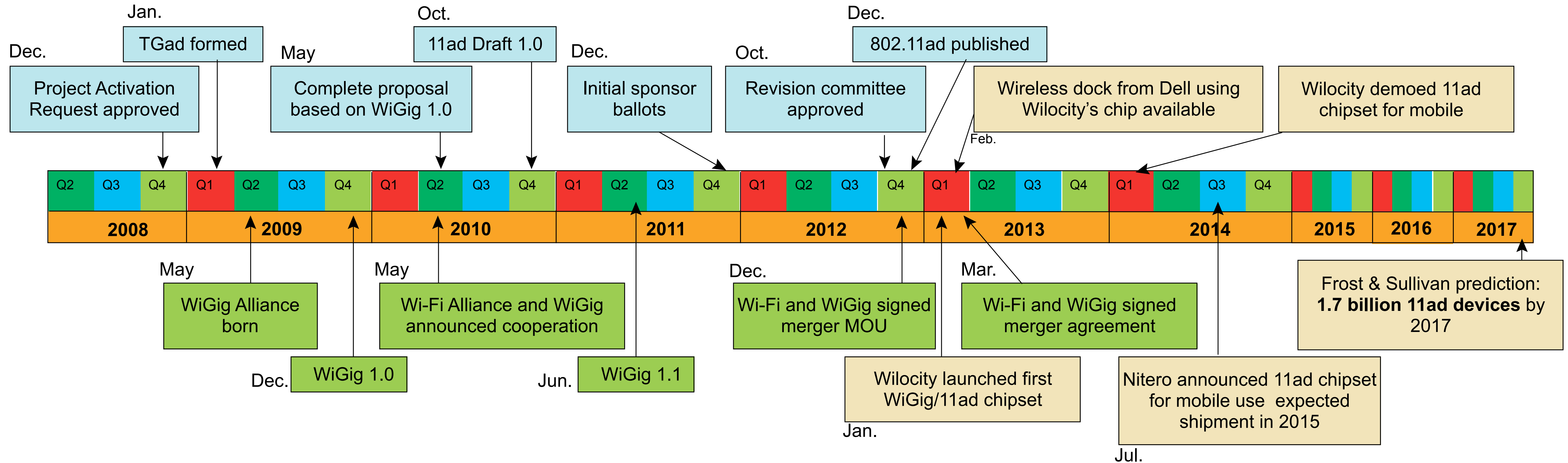
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Development of IEEE 802.11ad



* Motivation

- Emerging data hungry apps (e.g. HDTV streaming, rapid sync, etc.)
- Why 60 GHz? Large unlicensed band, low co-channel interference, small form factor, etc.

* Consumer products already on market

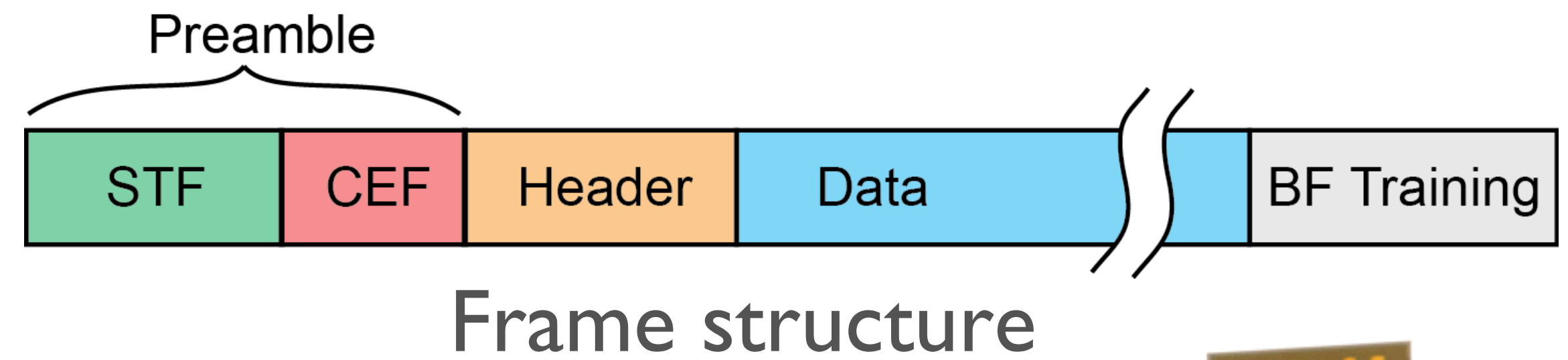
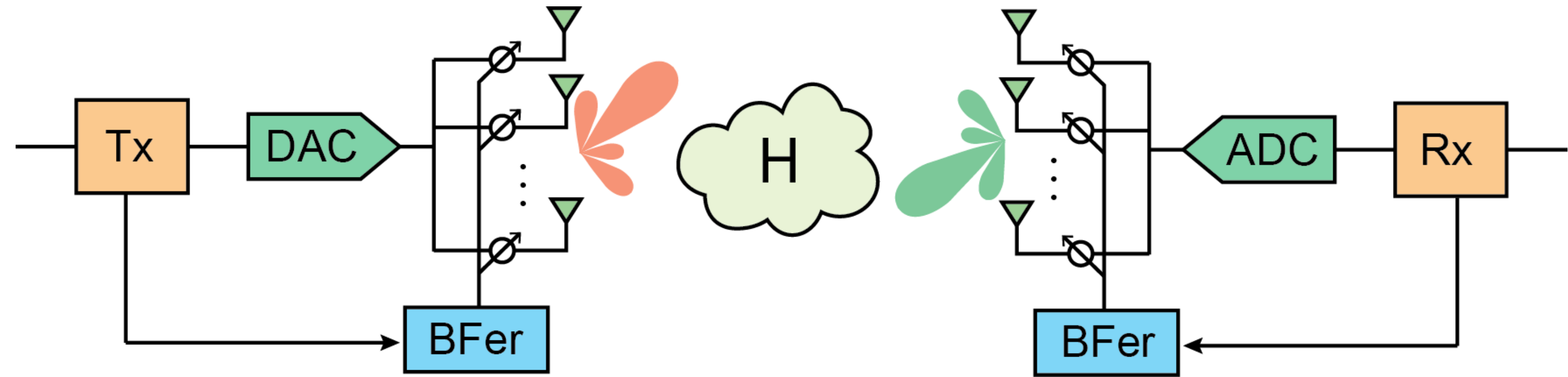
IEEE 802.11ad

* 11ad defines four PHYs:

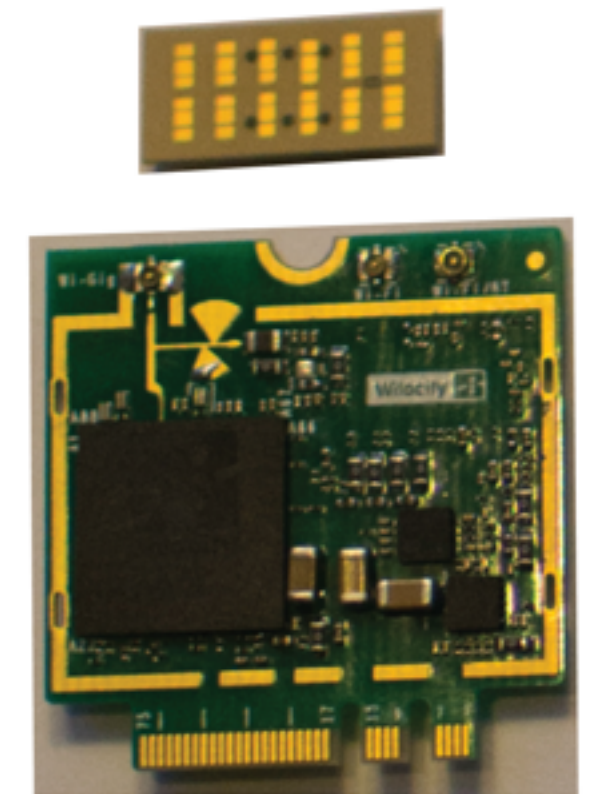
- Control PHY
- Single carrier (SC) PHY
- OFDM PHY (optional)
- Low power SC PHY (optional)

* Multiple antennas for TX and RX

- Support only single stream MIMO
- Analog beamforming using phase shifters
- 16 and 32 antennas are common

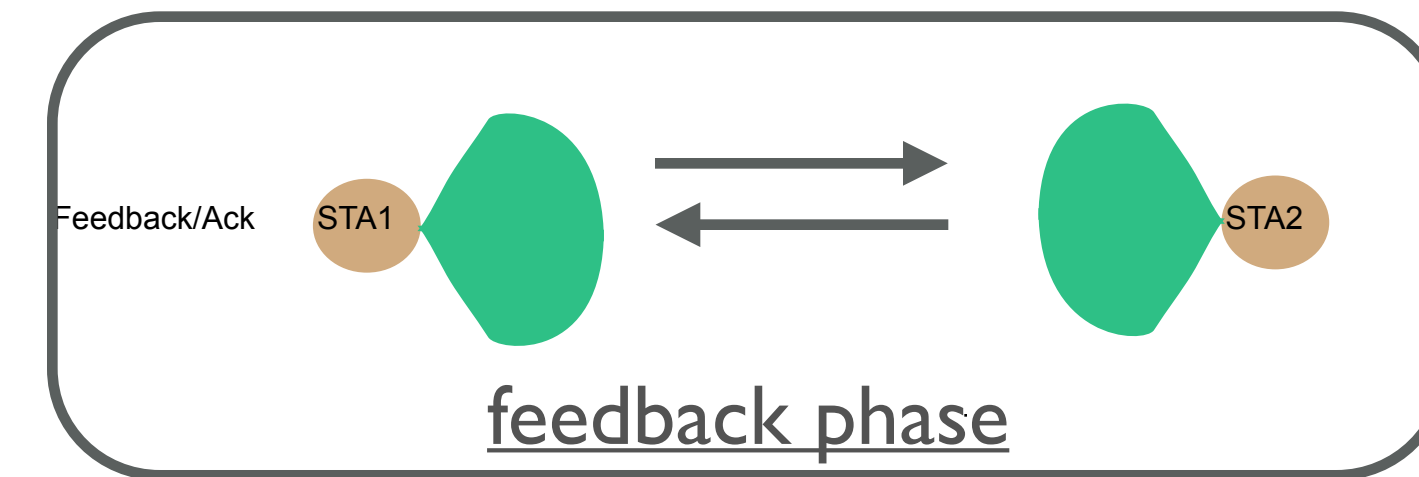
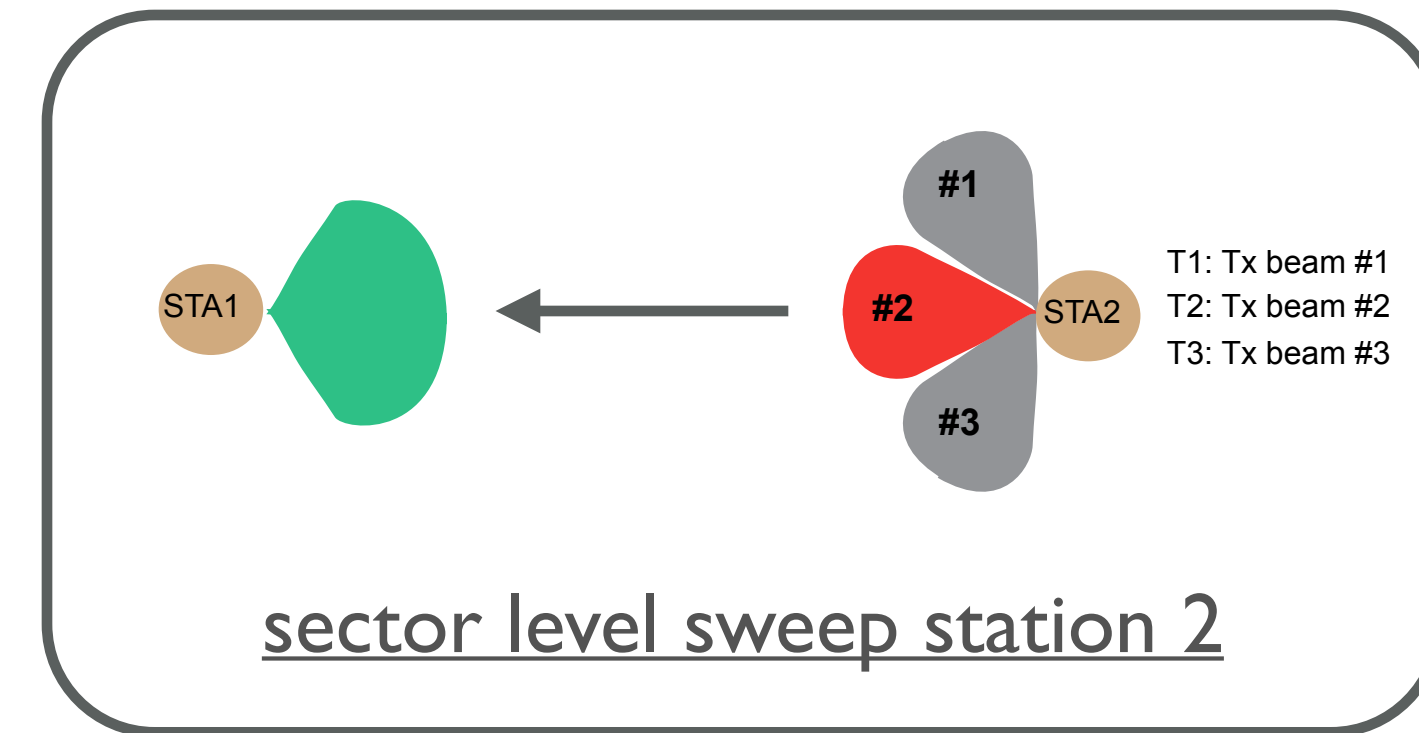
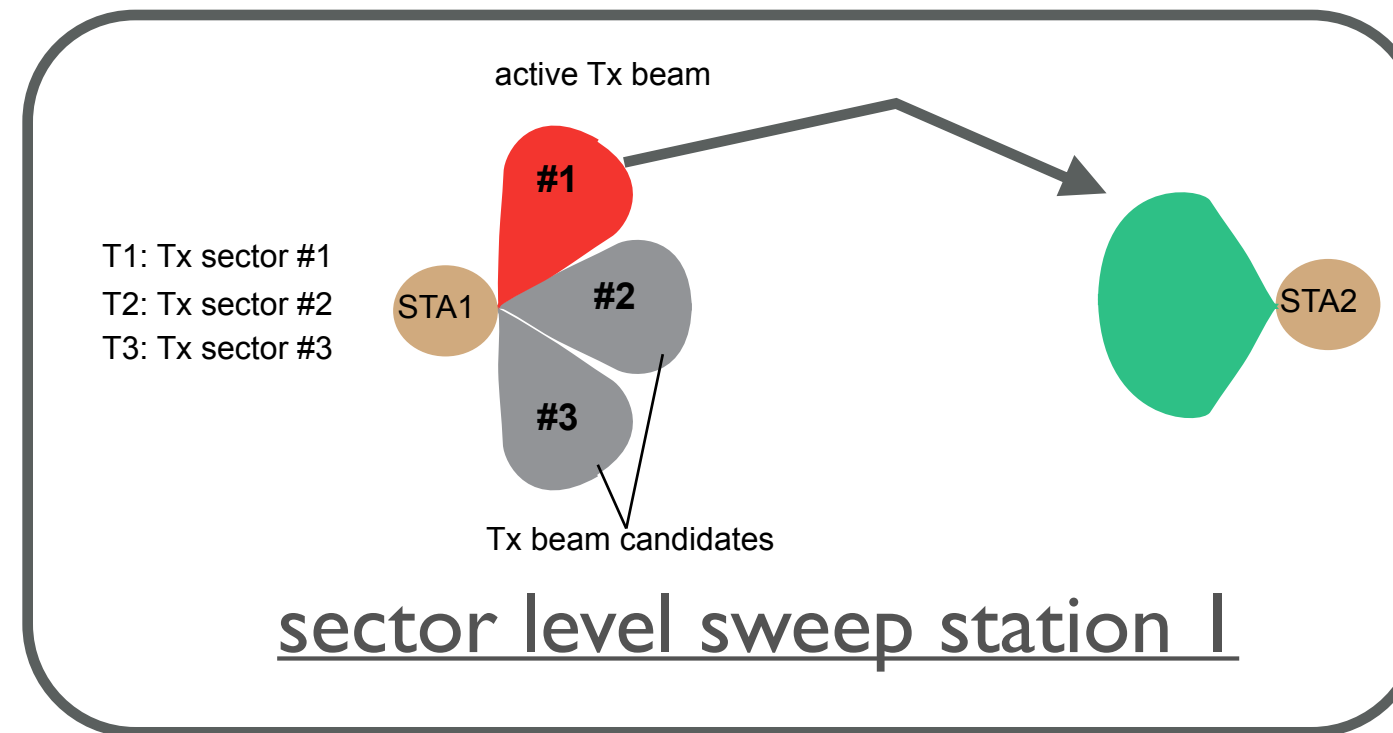
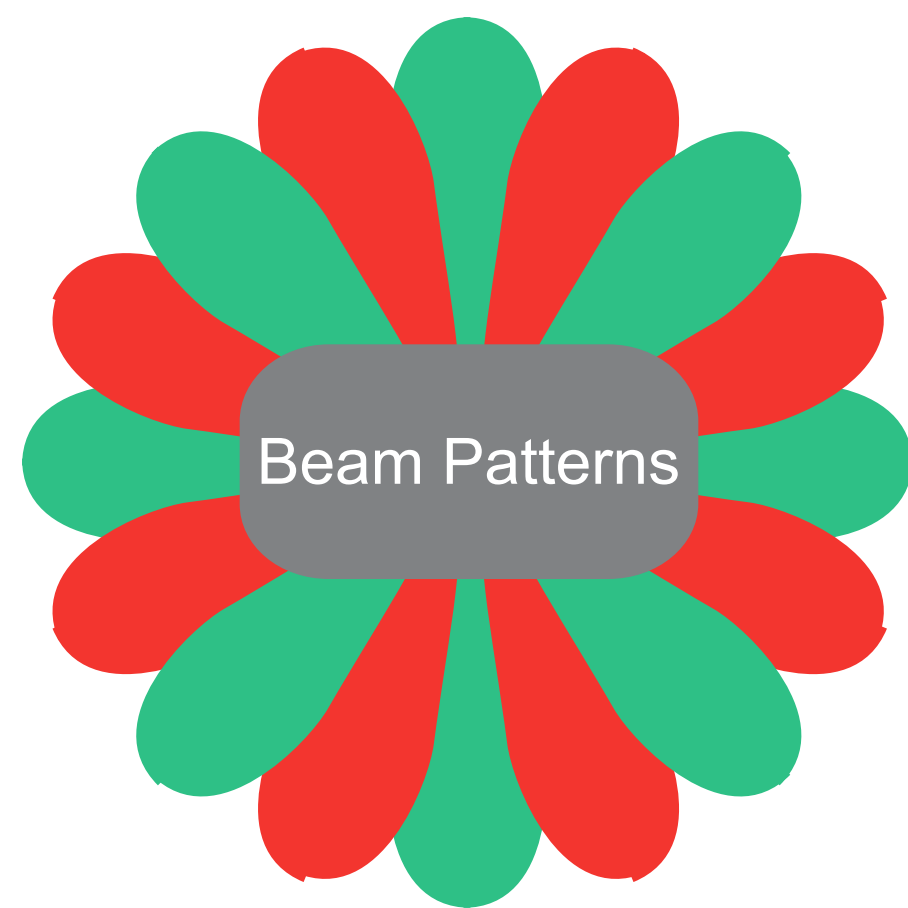
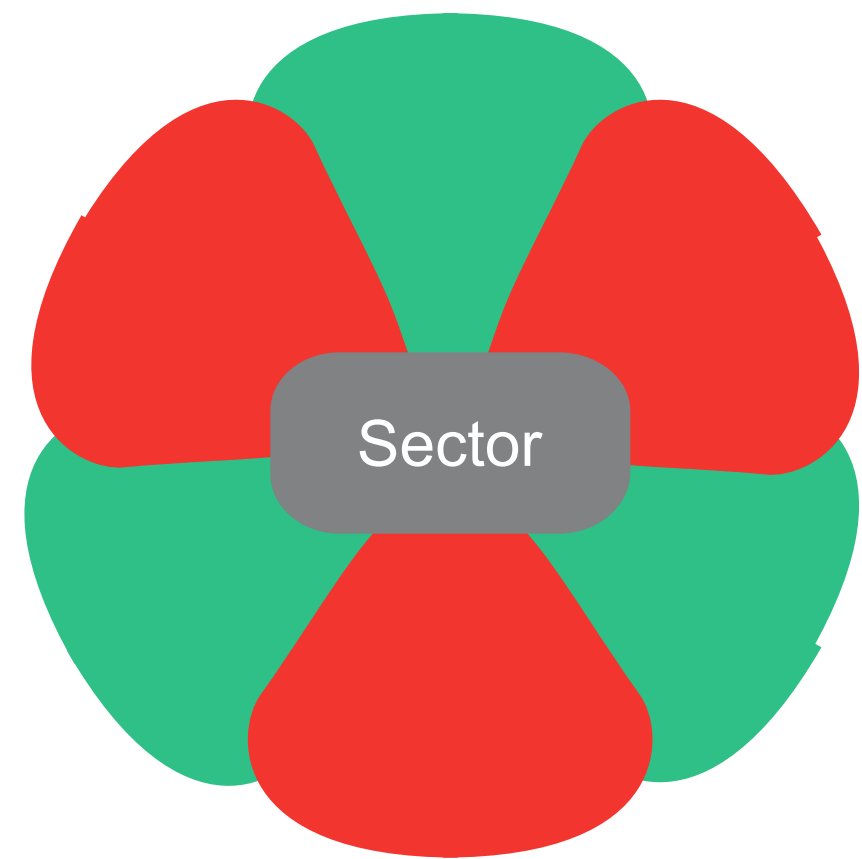


Dell WiGig docking station



Wilocity (now Qualcomm)
chip 32 antennas

Beam Training to Implement Single Stream MIMO



* Sector level sweep

- Transmit sweep, receive sweep, feedback, and acknowledgement
- Trains a combination of sector (at one end) and antenna (at the other end)

* Beam refinement

- Training of different transmit and / or receiver antenna configurations

* Beam tracking

- Periodic refinement over a small number of antenna configurations

Related Research Challenges in mmWave WLAN

Better beam alignment and tracking

Support for multi-stream MIMO

Going towards even higher frequencies

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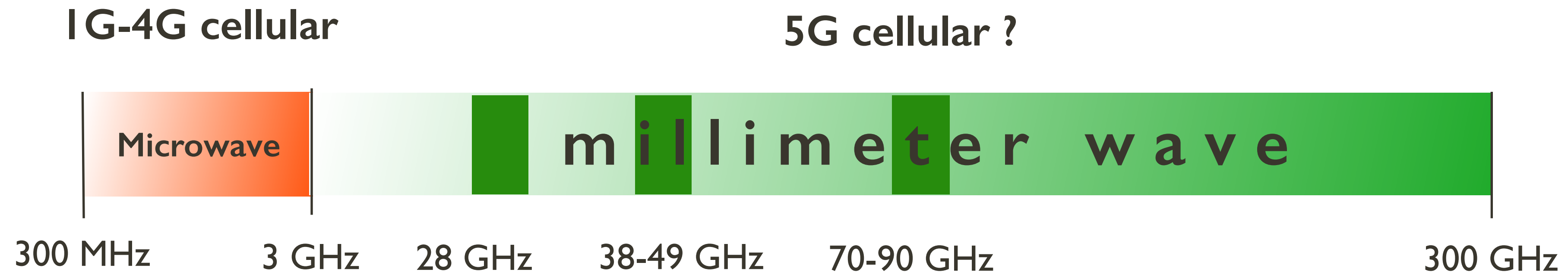
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New Application: mmWave Cellular

Why mmWave for 5G?



- * Practical spectral efficiency limits are being reached
 - Conventional single user, multiple user, and network MIMO
 - Turbo and LDPC coding, adaptive modulation, H-ARQ
- * Huge amount of spectrum in mmWave band that could be repurposed*
 - Current cellular systems live with limited microwave spectrum ~ 600 MHz
 - 29 GHz possibly available in 23 GHz, LMDS, 38, 40, 46, 47, 149, and E-band
- * MmWave is the new spectral frontier for 5G cellular (or maybe 6G...)

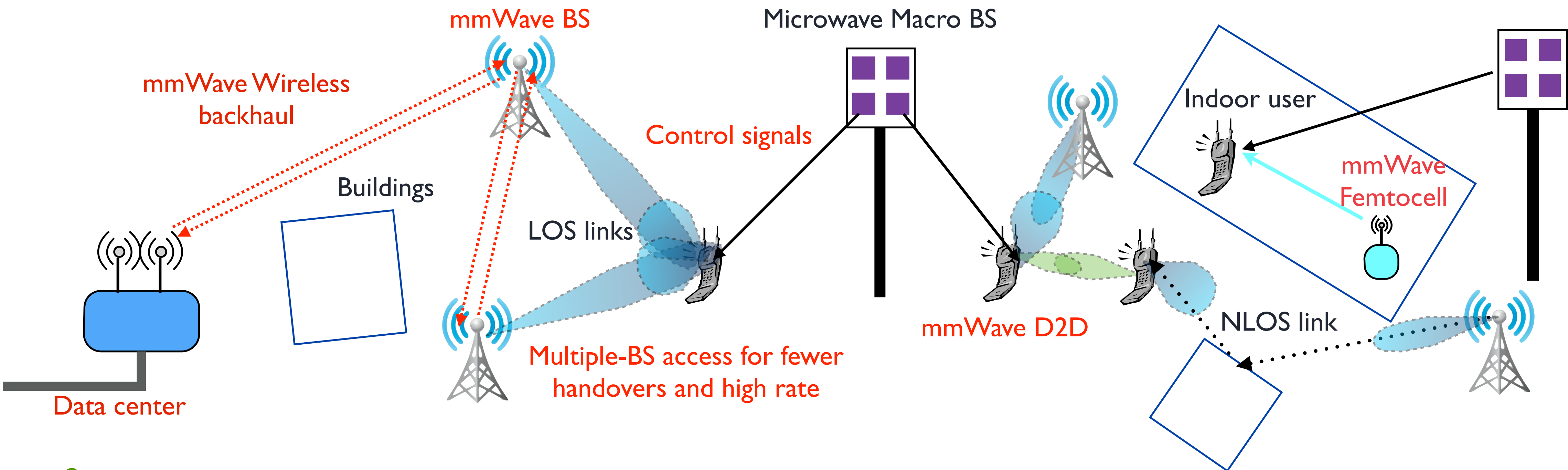
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Imagining a mmWave 5G Future Network

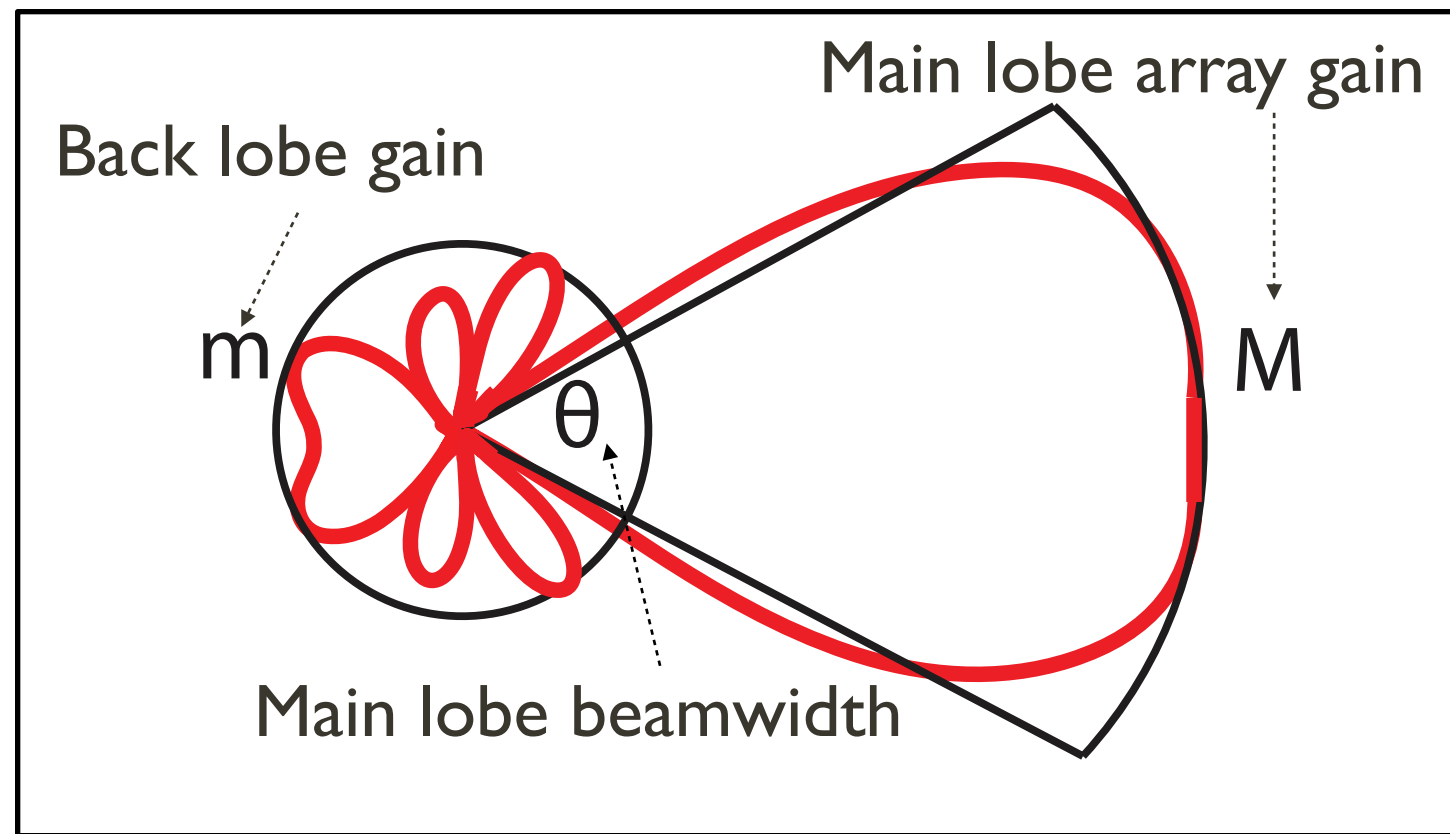


* Dense mmWave nodes as hotspots for high data rates

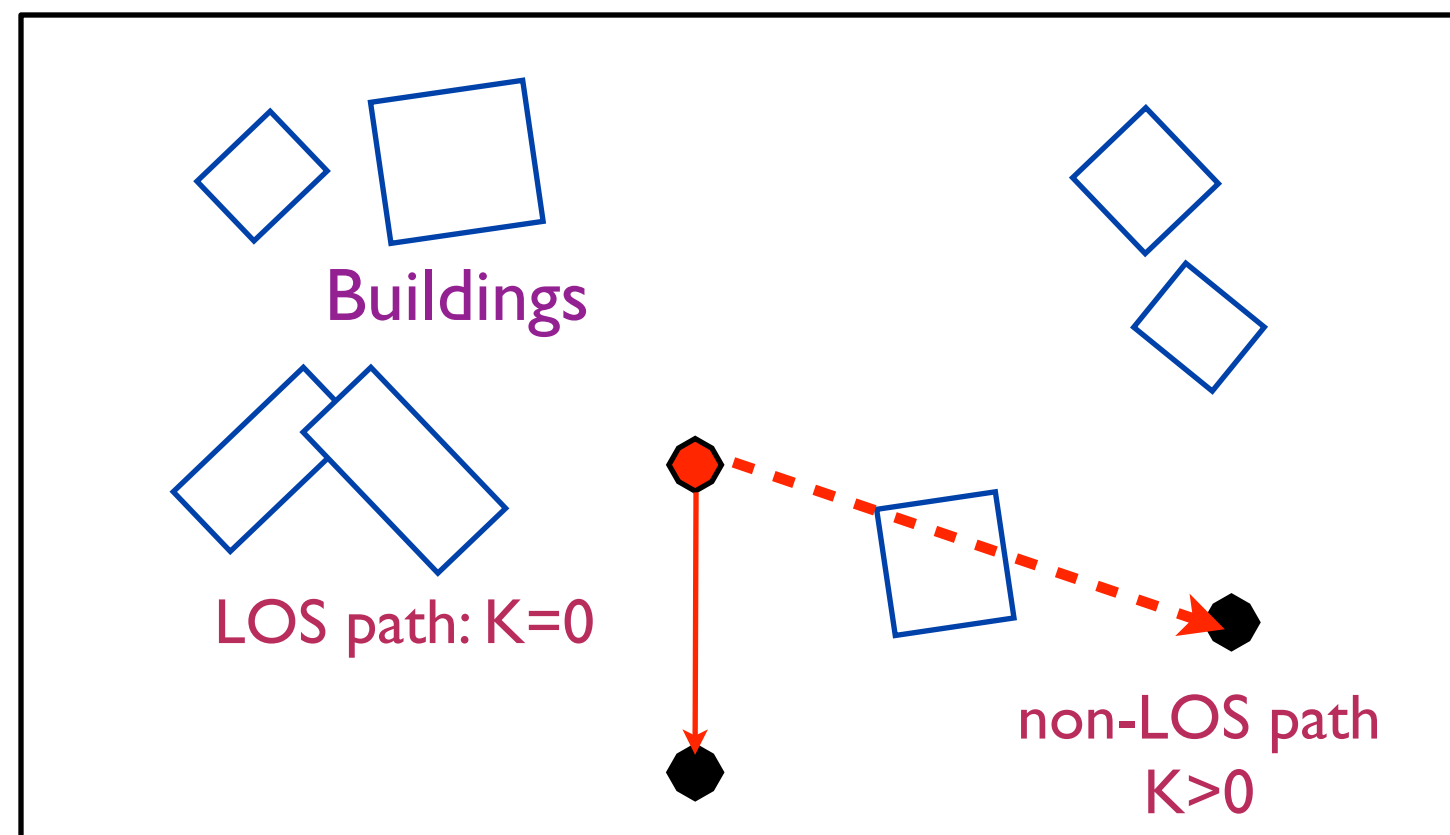
- Directional beamforming to boost signal power and reduce interference
- Users connect to multiple-nodes for high rates and better handover
- Coverage may suffer from blockage effects, e.g. buildings in urban areas
- Need additional layers for indoor coverage due to large penetration losses

* Microwave BSs for coverage and control signals*

Network Analysis of mmWave



Sectored antenna pattern model



Blockages as rectangular Boolean scheme

K: # of blockages on a link

* Use “sectored antenna” to simplify analysis

- Actual antenna patterns approximated by a sectored model
- Sectored model captures main lobe gain, HPBW, and FBR
- Steering orientation of interferers randomly distributed in space

* Use random shape theory to model blockages*

- Model buildings as a rectangular Boolean scheme
- A link of length r is LOS, i.e., unblocked, with prob. $p(r) = e^{-\beta r}$
- Different propagation laws measured in LOS/ NLOS channels**
- Apply different path loss laws to LOS/ NLOS links

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MmWave SINR Coverage

Theorem [mmWave SINR Distribution]

The SINR coverage probability (CCDF of SINR) in mmWave networks is

$$P_c(T) = A_L P_{c,L}(T) + A_N P_{c,N}(T),$$

where the conditional coverage probability by LOS BSs is evaluated as

$$P_{c,L}(T) \approx \sum_{n=1}^{N_L} (-1)^{n+1} \binom{N_L}{n} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{n\eta_L x^{\alpha_L} T \sigma^2}{C_L M_r M_t} - Q_n(T,x) - V_n(T,x)} \hat{f}_L(x) dx,$$

and the conditional coverage probability by NLOS BSs is

$$P_{c,N}(T) \approx \sum_{n=1}^{N_N} (-1)^{n+1} \binom{N_N}{n} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{n\eta_N x^{\alpha_N} T \sigma^2}{C_N M_r M_t} - W_n(T,x) - Z_n(T,x)} \hat{f}_N(x) dx.$$

* Use **stochastic geometry** to derive SINR coverage

- Assume base stations distributed as a Poisson point process
- Use general Nakagami distribution to incorporate small-scale fading
- Apply for general base station density & building distributions
- Simplified expression available in dense network case*

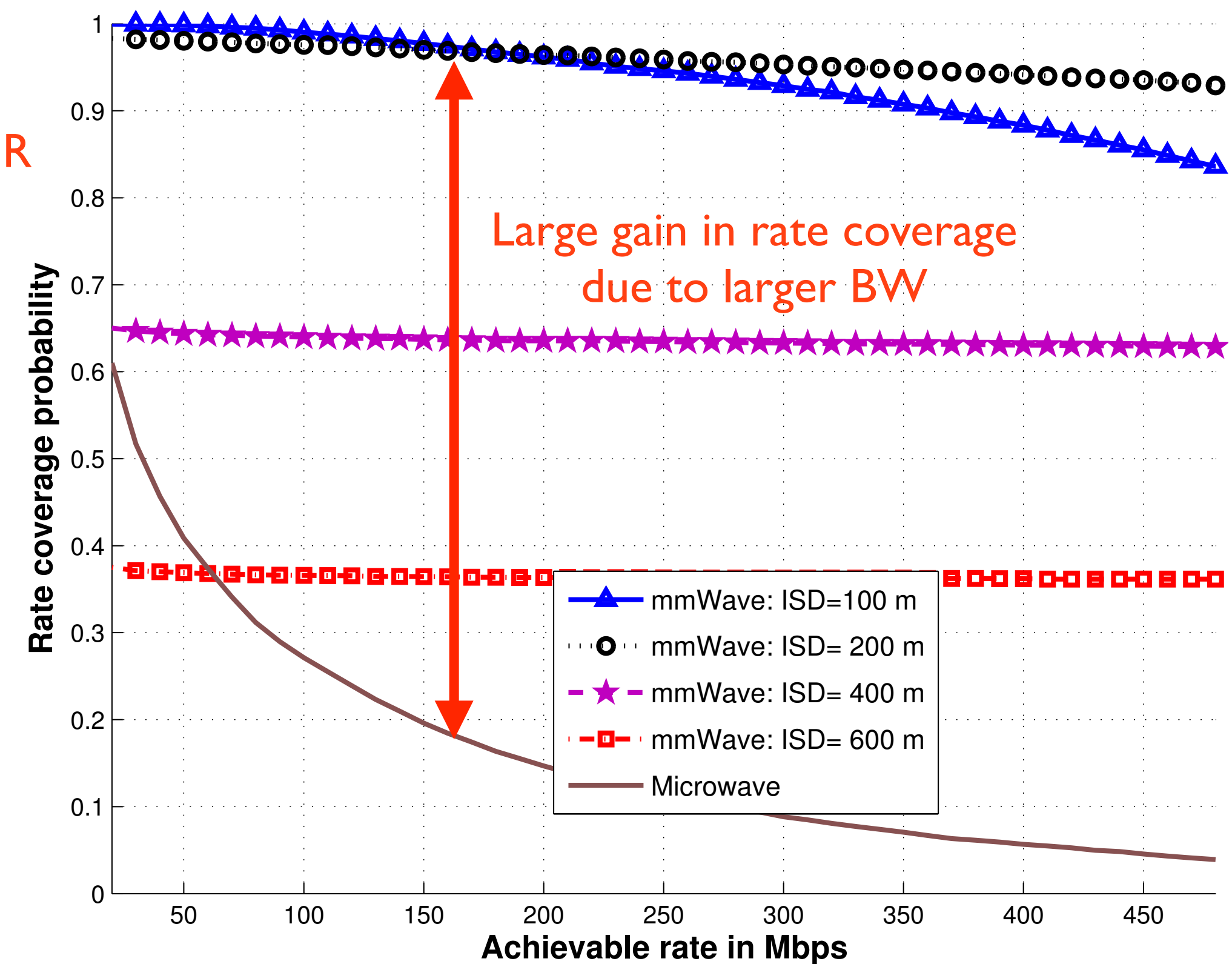
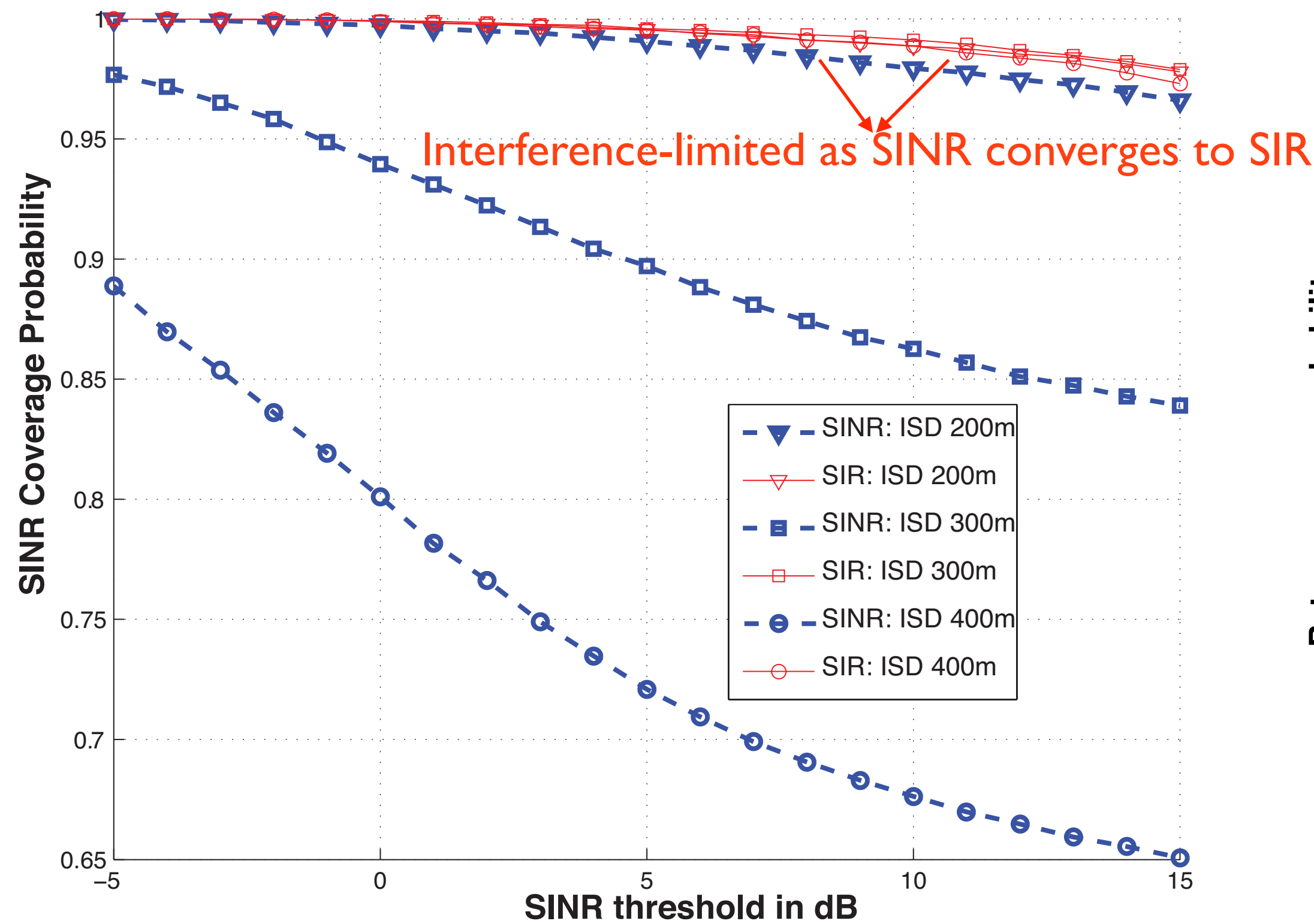
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SINR & Rate Coverage With Different BS Density

MmWave:
 Carrier freq.: 28 GHz
 Tx power: 30 dBm
 Tx directivity gain: 20 dB
 Tx beamwidth: 30 degree
 Rx directivity gain: 10 dB
 Rx beamwidth: 90 degree
 Bandwidth: 100 MHz

Microwave:
 Carrier freq.: 2GHz
 TX power: 46 dBm
 Bandwidth: 20 MHz
 4X4 SU-MIMO ZF-precoding
 ISD: 1000 m




Building statistics:
 the same as UT Austin campus



* Dense mmWave networks can achieve good coverage and high rate

- mmWave SINR and rate sensitive to base station density
- SINR improves and converges to SIR when base station is dense
- Significant gain in data rate than microwave due to larger bandwidth and denser deployment

Average Achievable Rate Comparison

	Spectrum efficiency (bps/Hz)	# of users/cell	Bandwidth (MHz)	Cell throughput (Mbps)	ISD (m)	Rate per area (Mbps/km ²)	
microwave SU w\ 4X4 ZF MIMO	7.9	1	20	158	400	1257	 More antennas and users
Massive MIMO 64 antennas	1.2	10	20	240	400	1910	
mmWave SU w\ analog BF	3.7	1	100	370	400	2945	 (not dense enough) Denser BS
mmWave SU w\ analog BF	5.8	1	100	580	200	18462	
mmWave MU w\ hybrid BF	5.8	2	100	1160	200	36924	 More users and hybrid beamforming

Conclusions

MIMO at Millimeter Wave

- * Millimeter wave has massive consumer potential
 - More than 1.7 billion IoT devices predicted in 2017
 - LAN will be the first wide scale deployment
 - Cellular access will come in 5G, or possibly later in 6G
- * MIMO and mmWave are a natural union
 - Commercial systems consider primarily single stream MIMO beamforming
 - More advanced multi-stream and multi-user MIMO is feasible
 - Research is needed on the best holistic performing technologies

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* Millimeter wave has massive consumer potential

- More than 1.7 billion 802.11ad devices predicted in 2017
- LAN will be the first wide scale deployment
- Cellular access will come in 5G, or possibly later in 6G

* MIMO and mmWave are a natural union

- Commercial systems consider primarily single stream MIMO beamforming
- More advanced multi-stream and multi-user MIMO is feasible
- Research is needed on the best holistic performing technologies

The future is bright for mmWave MIMO