



# Vehicle-to-Everything Communication - Is there any future for DSRC?

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# V2X Communication – Back to the Future !!

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- GM Futurama - 1939



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1cRoaPLvQx0> (time code: 14:27)

[acknowledgement: H. Hartenstein, KIT]

# From the early steps to current achievements

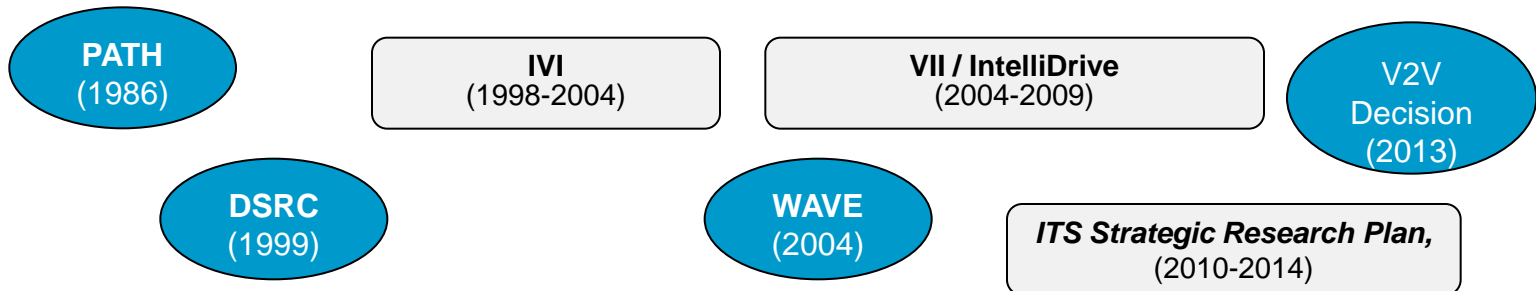
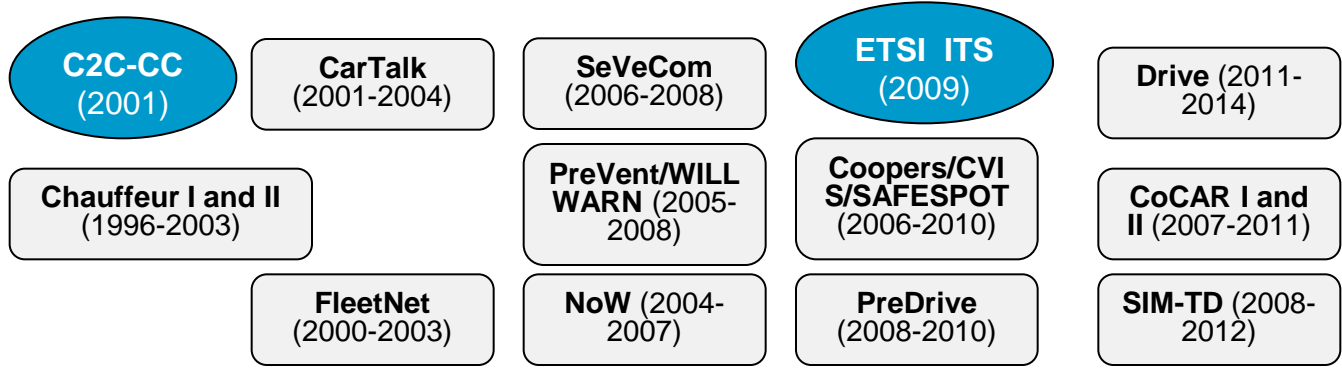
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- **Visionary aspect: GM Futurama in 1939 and 1964 !!**
- **1970-1987: Electronic Route Guidance System (ERGS) - USA**
  - Deployment stopped due to expensive roadside infrastructure
- **1973-1979: Comprehensible Automobile Traffic Control (CACCS) – Japan**
- **1988 – 1994 EUREKA - PROMETHEUS – EU**
- **1997: Cooperative autonomous driving demo: PATH, USA**
- **From the mid 1990:**
  - Game Changer: 5.9 DSRC – 802.11p, later known as IEEE 802.11-2012 OCB / ITS G5

# Game Changer: IEEE 802.11-2012 OCB @ 5.9 GHz

- **In 1994, the US Federal Communication Commission (FCC) allocated a 16 MHz band (unlicensed) at 902 MHz for ETC called Dedicated Short Range Communication (DSRC)**
  - In Europe, DSRC has been introduced solely for ETC at 5.8 GHz
  
- **In 1999, the FCC allocated a second DSRC frequency band at 5.9 GHz to be used specifically for inter-vehicular communication.**
  - **Primary Application:**
    - Saving lives by avoiding accident
    - Saving money by reducing traffic congestion
  - **Secondary Application:**
    - Comfort (infotainment) application to ease the early deployment of this technology.
  
- **Since 2001 Japan has developed, implemented and **deployed** DSRC applications under the name ARIB STD T-75 & 88.**
  
- **The European Commission allocated a 30 MHz frequency band at 5.9 GHz for safety applications in **August 2008****

# Non-exhaustive Overview of Projects

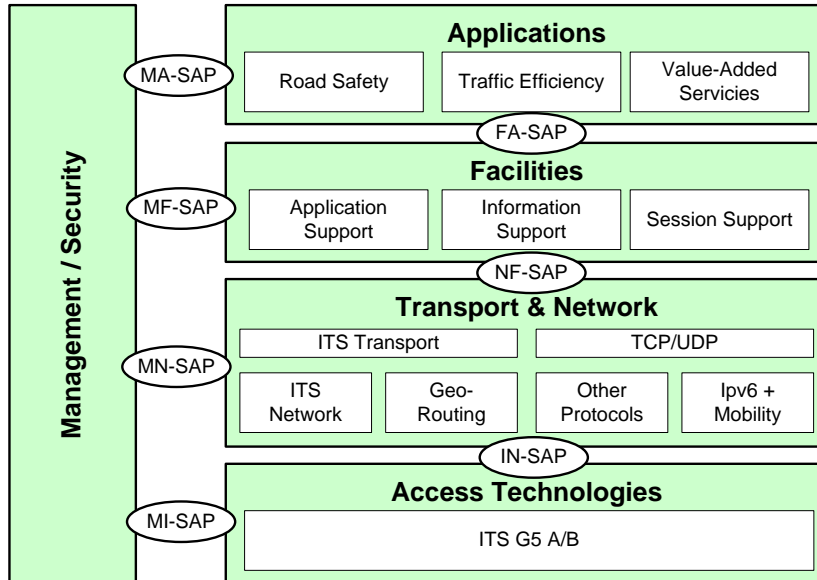


[Partial Reproduction of : H. Hartenstein, *VANET: Vehicular Applications and Inter-Networking Technologies*”, Chapter 1 – Introduction, Wiley, 2010]

# V2X Communication – Day 1

## Architecture, Technologies & Applications

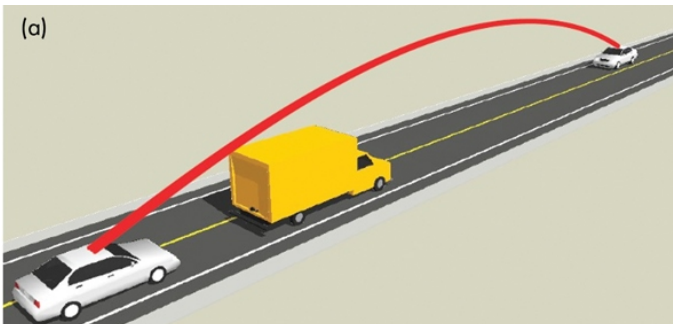
### ETSI Technical Committee on ITS



Source: C2C-CC

### Applications

- **Active Road Safety**
  - Cooperative awareness
  - Hazard warning
- **Cooperative Traffic Efficiency**
  - Adaptive speed management
  - Cooperative navigation



### Technology

- **DSRC**
  - IEEE 802.11 for vehicular environment
  - a.k.a: 802.11p, **ITS-G5**



# V2X Communication - DAY 2

## Objective: Highly Autonomous Driving

- Not such a new idea

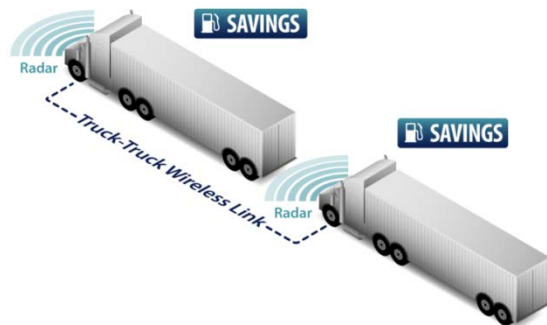


- A very marketized idea...

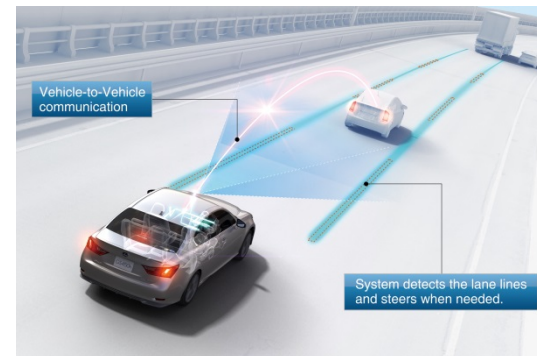


Source: google

- ...yet a very ambitious idea



Source: US Peloton

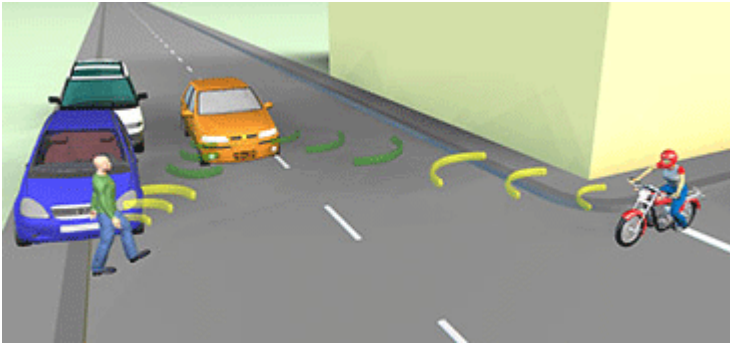


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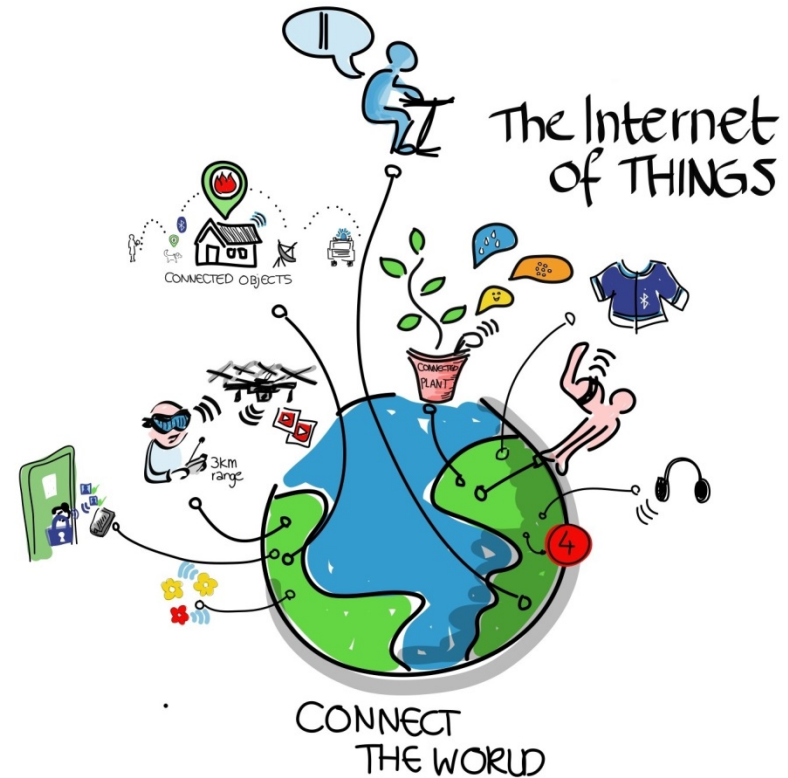
# V2X Communication - DAY 2

## Objective: Vulnerable Road Users

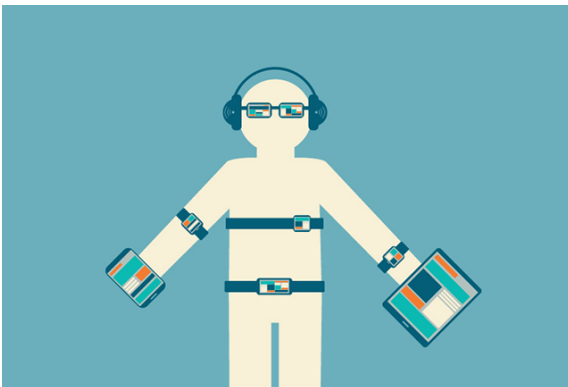
- V2X not only between Vehicles



- V2X is part of the Internet-of-things



- V2X connects to wearable devices



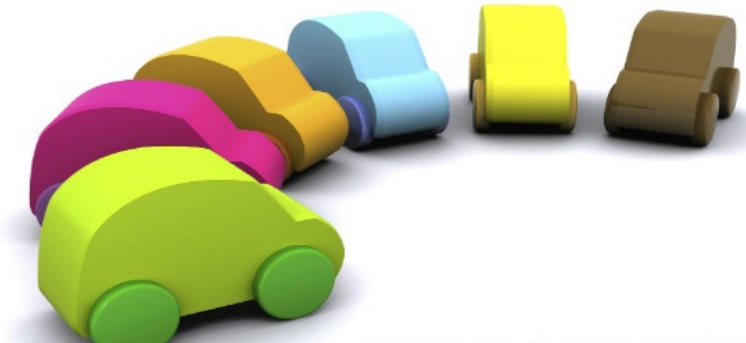


# From Connected 'Vehicles' to Connected 'Things' - A Change in the Eco-System

## ■ Connected vehicle

- driven by car industry

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## ■ Connected things

- driven Internet & wireless industry



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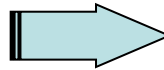
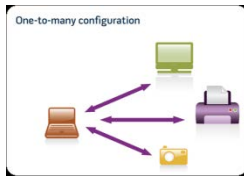
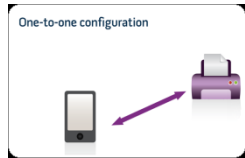


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# Towards a Connection-of-Everything

## Evolution of Proximity Services



**Convergence of Actors:**

- Pedestrians
- Cars, Buses, Trains
- Any-'Wheeler's'
- Your coffee machine !!

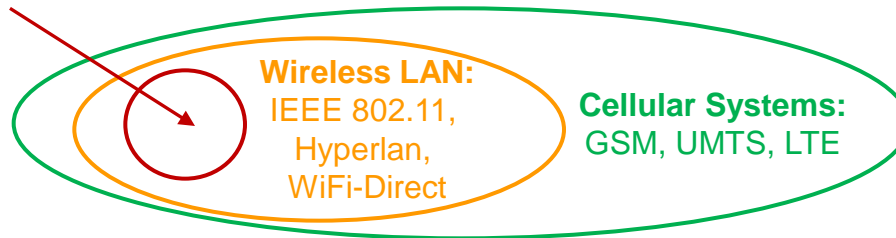


## Evolution of Proximity Technology

**PAN:**  
Bluetooth, Zigbee

**Convergence of Technologies:**

- LTE-Direct
- WiFi-Direct
- DSRC



Focus for Proximity Services



# DSRC is challenged by 3GPP

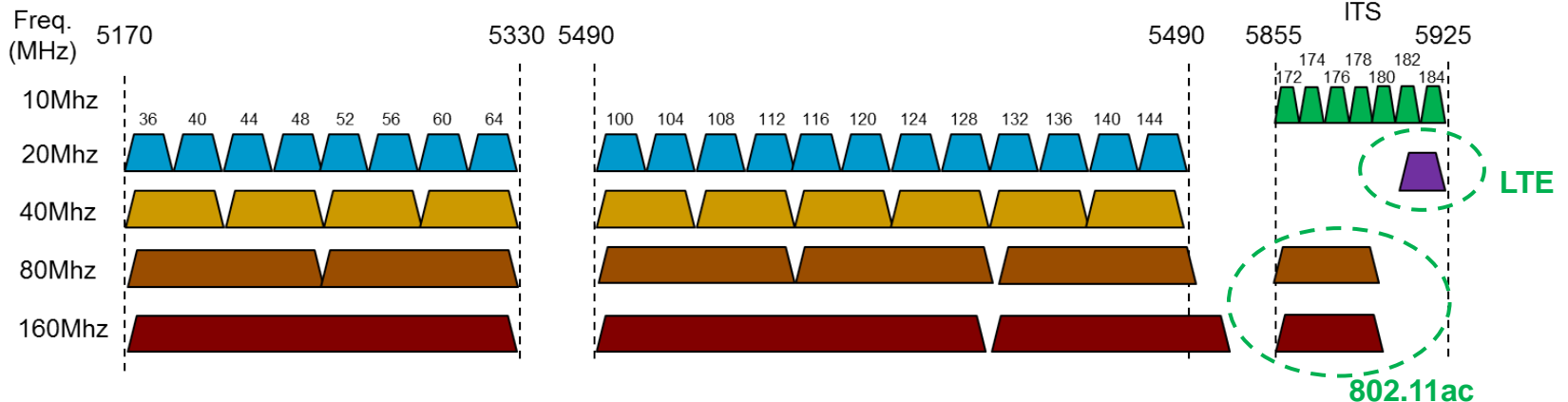
## ■ Penetration rate

- Device Market Penetration:
  - DSRC: Enabled cars → 50% in 15 years
  - LTE: Smartphones/things → 50% in 2 years
- Network:
  - DSRC: Road Side Units will be deployed in the next years
  - LTE: Network already available and in expansion

## ■ Ubiquity

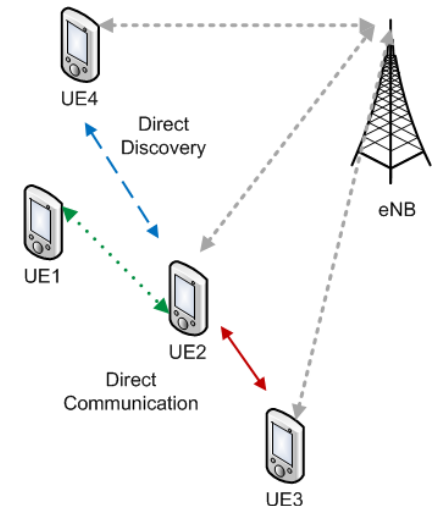
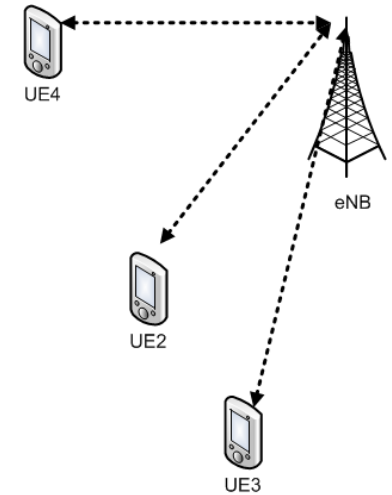


## ■ Frequency bands



# 3GPP LTE technology for Connected Things

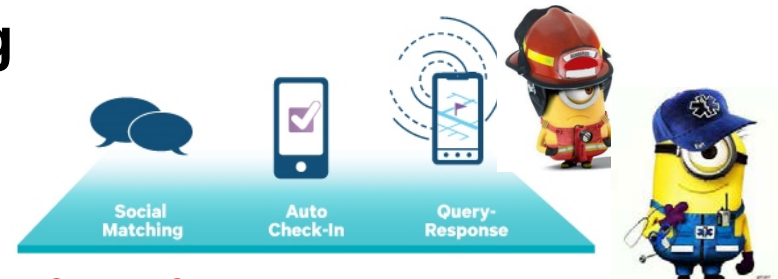
- **3GPP Long Term Evolution (LTE)**
  - Successor of the cellular 3G networks
  - LTE provides **Vertical Services**
- **LTE is a living project...**
  - enhancements based on releases
  - Current LTE networks:
    - ~Release 8 (Rel.8)
- **Since Rel. 12, LTE has a new application domain:**
  - Proximity Services (LTE ProSe)
  - ProSe aims at creating **Horizontal Services**



# LTE D2D ProSe Rel. 12 Strategy

- **LTE D2D ProSe aims at competing other proximity technologies**

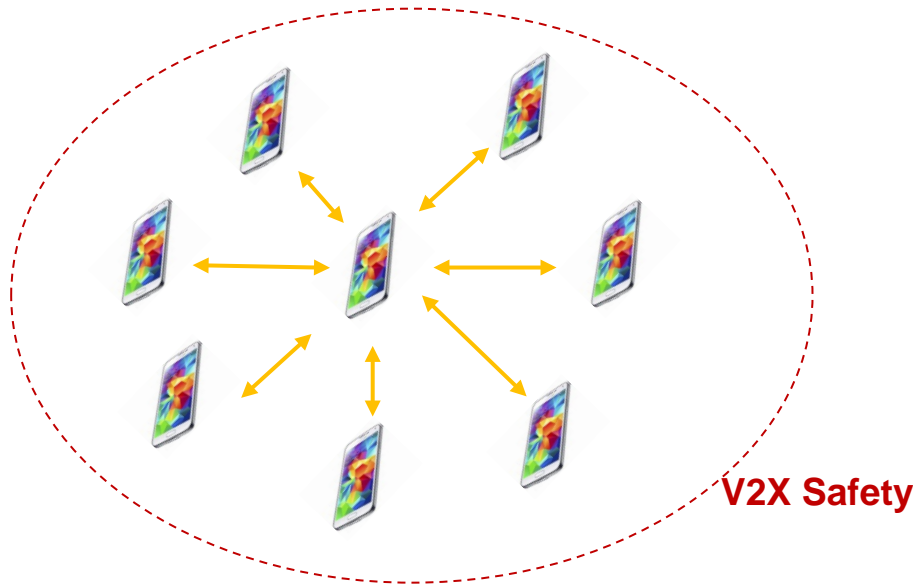
- WiFi-Direct, Bluetooth, etc..



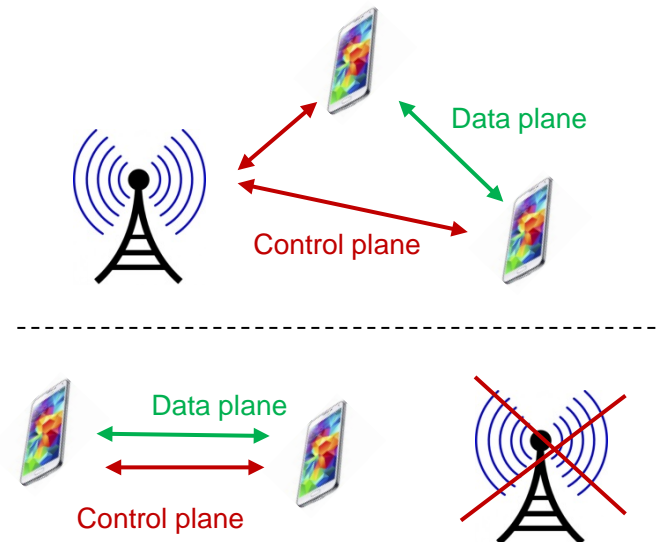
Source: Qualcomm

- **LTE D2D ProSe has two functions:**

- LTE D2D Discovery

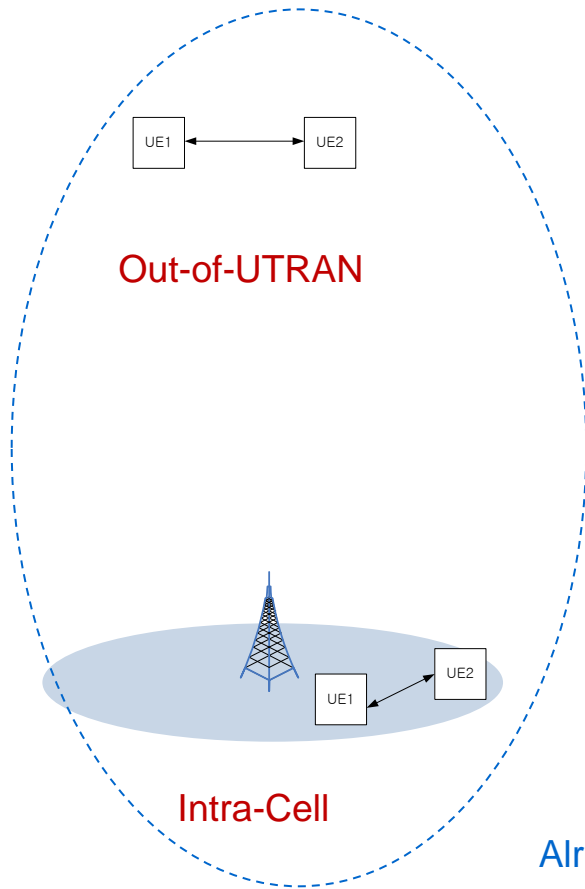


- LTE D2D Communications

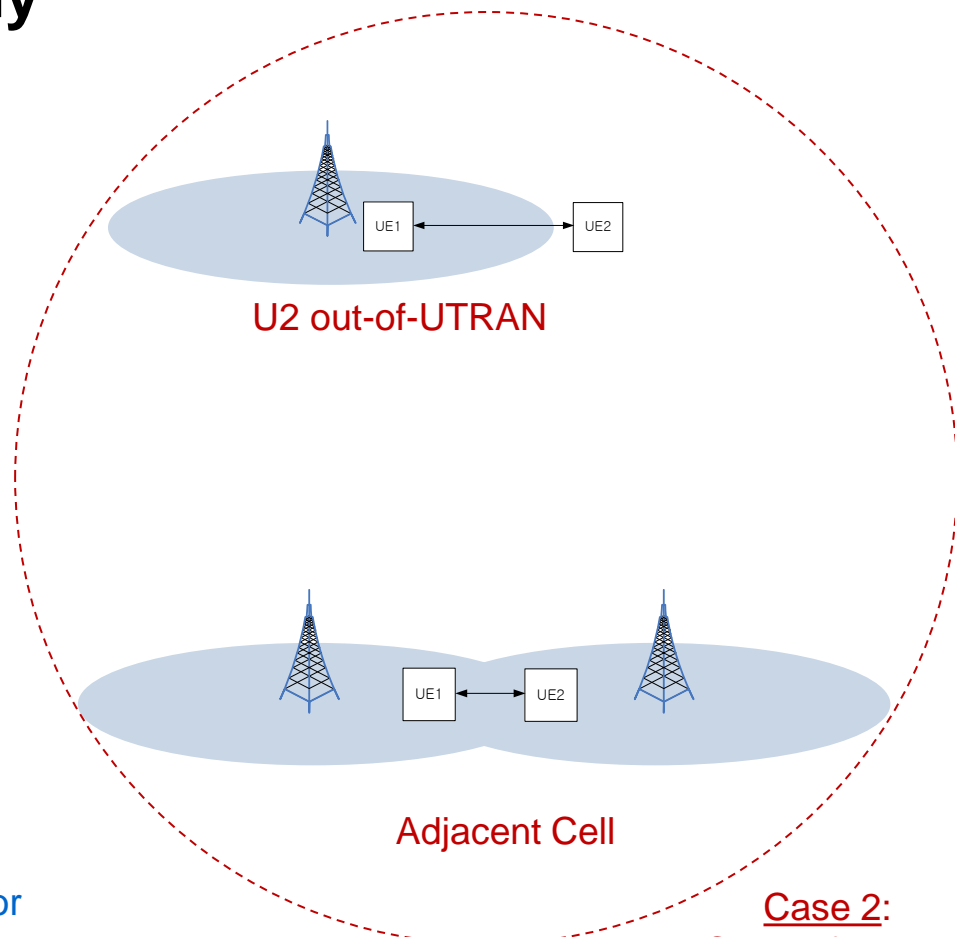


# LTE ProSe D2D Service Discovery for V2X (Rel. 12 ++)

## ■ Four Scenarios under study



Case 1:  
Already under study for  
normal D2D ProSe

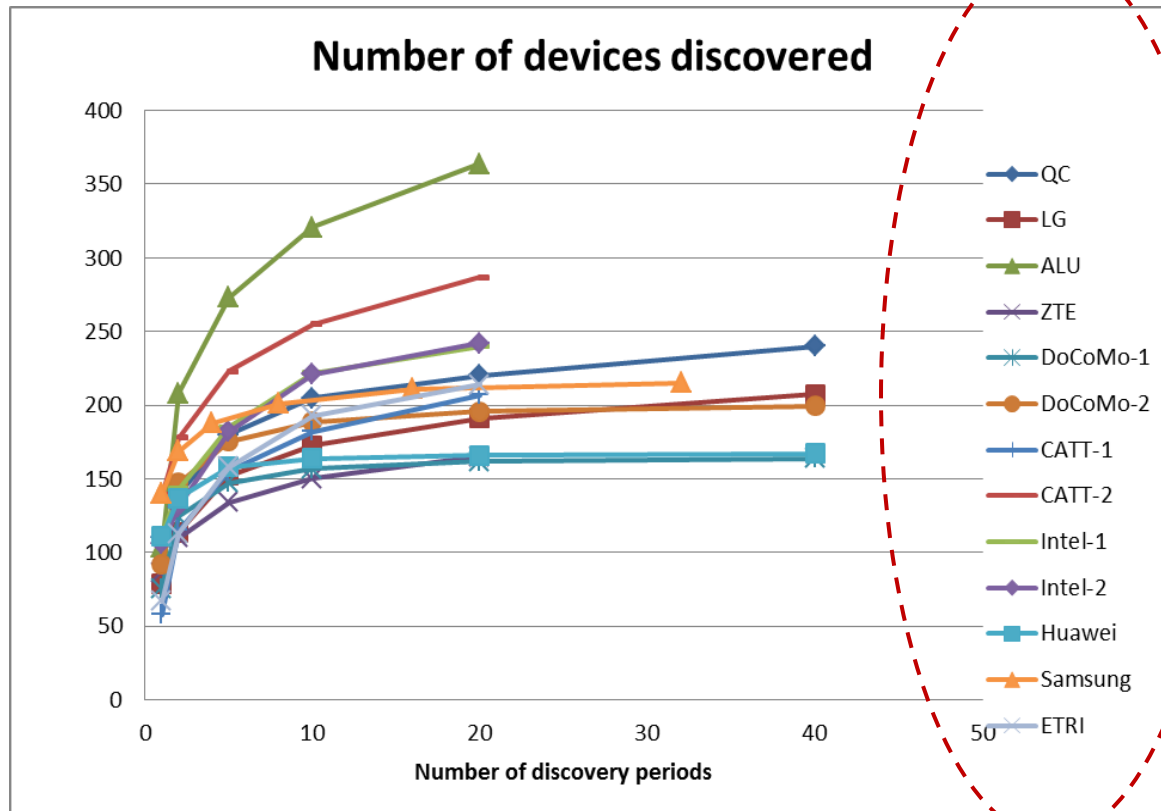


Case 2:  
Critical for V2X



# LTE ProSe Discovery – 3GPP First Evaluations

Source: 3GPP TR 36.843



Powerful stakeholders !!

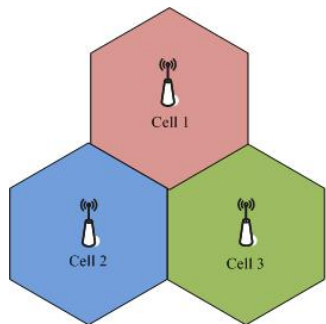
- **Discovery Strategies:**
  - random in given RBs
  - random in group of RBs
  - random with probabilistic transmission
  - Semi-statically assigned
  - ...

QPSK,  
packet size: 102 bytes,  
discovery period: 1 – 10s

- **Fits to case 1**
- **What about case 2?**
  - asynchronous discovery resources between cells

# Synchronous vs Asynchronous Deployment

## ■ Synchronous Deployments



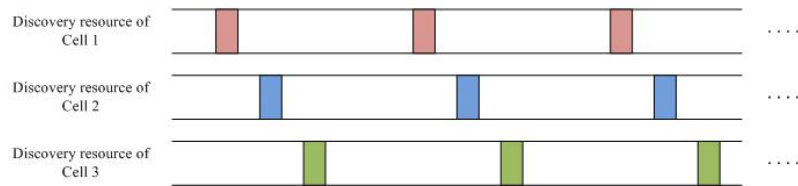
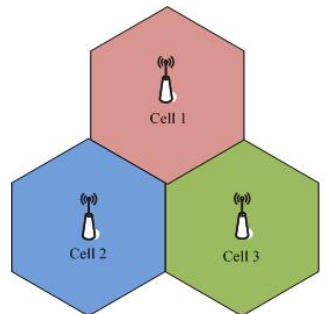
### ■ Pros

- Can discover vehicles between cells
- Optimal energy cycle

### ■ Cons

- Difficult deployment

## ■ Asynchronous Deployments



### ■ Pros

- Normal deployment

### ■ Cons

- Need to multiple cell's SIB
- Suboptimal energy cycle
- Potential conflict between cells

Source: ZTE – 3GPP R1-140273

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**Case Study**

# **LTE-D2D V2X AWARENESS**

# TDMA-based LTE D2D V2X Awareness (Discovery)

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## ■ Observation:

- LTE D2D communication phase is for throughput demanding services
  - V2X safety applications require few bytes
- LTE D2D communication in broadcast remain complicated
  - LTE D2D discovery in broadcast is feasible

## ■ Proposal:

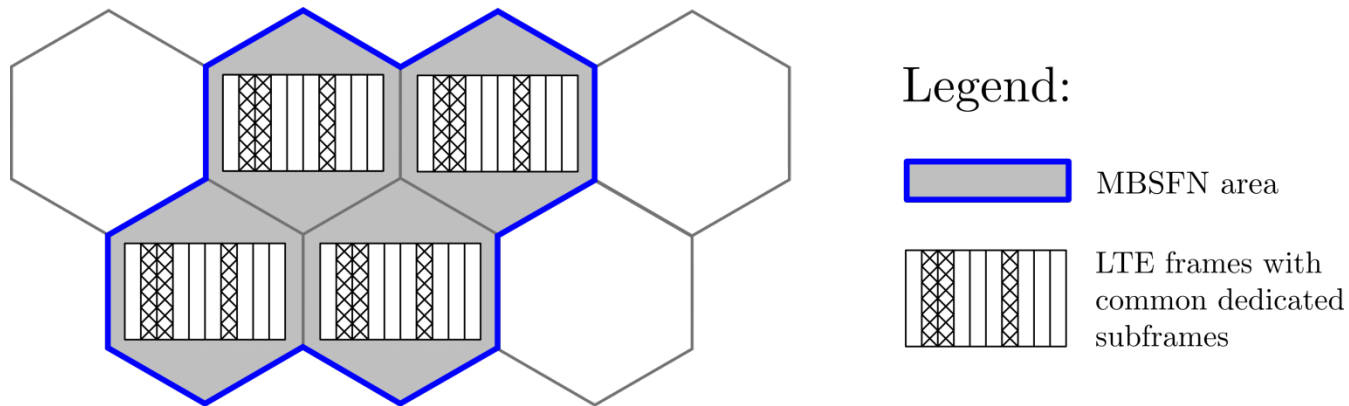
- Transmit CAM data in LTE D2D discovery procedure
- Discovery schema – TDMA-like

## ■ LTE Type 1 Discovery:

- Resource Allocation
  - performed by the network
  - inspired by eMBMS
  - allocates a pool of resources to be shared by UEs (vehicles)
- Distributed Resource Access Scheduling
  - performed locally by every UE (vehicle)
  - determines the access to the pool of resources allocated in phase 1
  - can be treated as a TDMA-like system

# LTE D2D V2X Synchronous Resource Allocation (eMBMS-like)

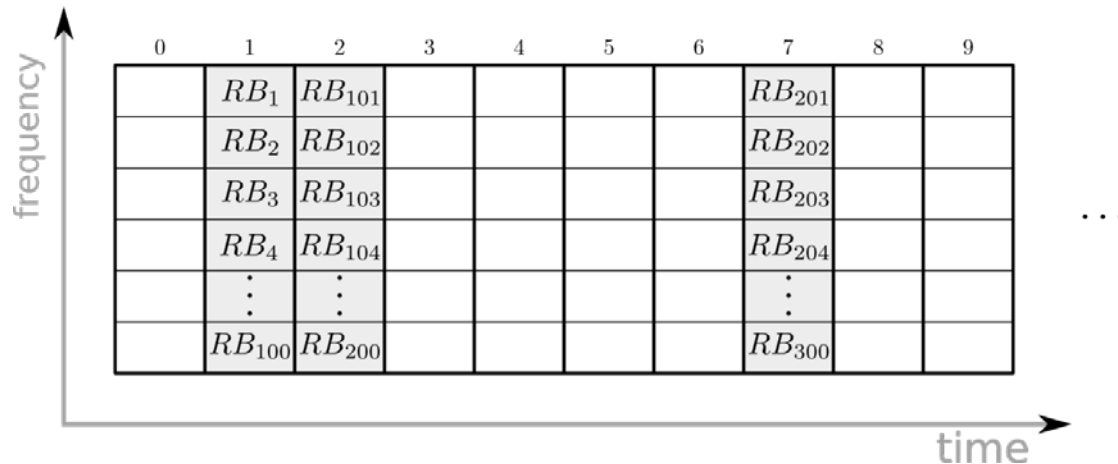
- Pool is allocated over multiple cells (Multicast Broadcast Single Frequency Network):



- Ideal for broadcast scenarios in which users can be spread over multiple cells.
- Users can move within the area and exploit the same resources
  - no mobility management required

# LTE D2D V2X Synchronous Awareness Resource Allocation (eMBMS-like)

- A pool of resource blocks is allocated for Awareness communications:



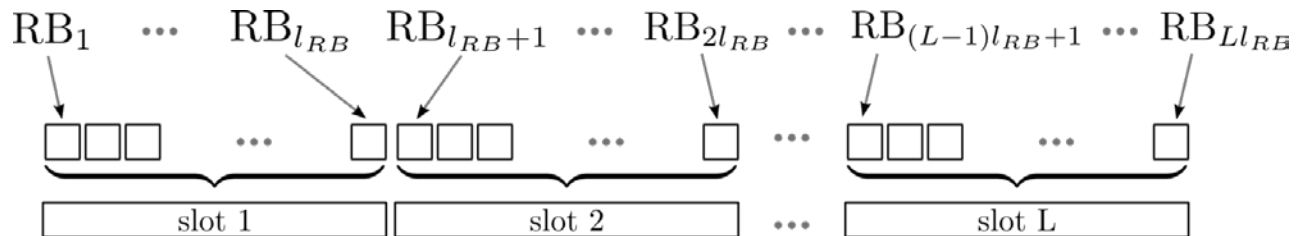
- Time / frequency coordinates of the RBs are broadcast by the network on a **public control channel** → no connection procedure with the eNodeB is required
- Awareness Resource Block
  - Not used by the Network
  - All UEs listen to them (as DL RB)
  - Used for V2V CAM transmission
- Allocation pattern is **periodical** → transceiver energy duty cycle



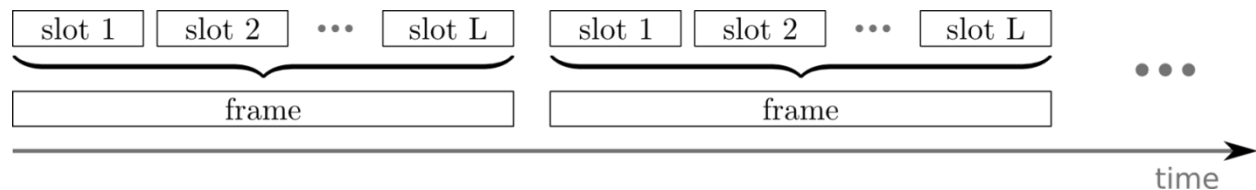
# LTE D2D V2X

## Distributed Resource Access Scheduling

- Locally, vehicles group RBs into slots the size of one CAM packet:



- Slots are then grouped into frames 100 ms long (to support a 10 Hz TX rate):

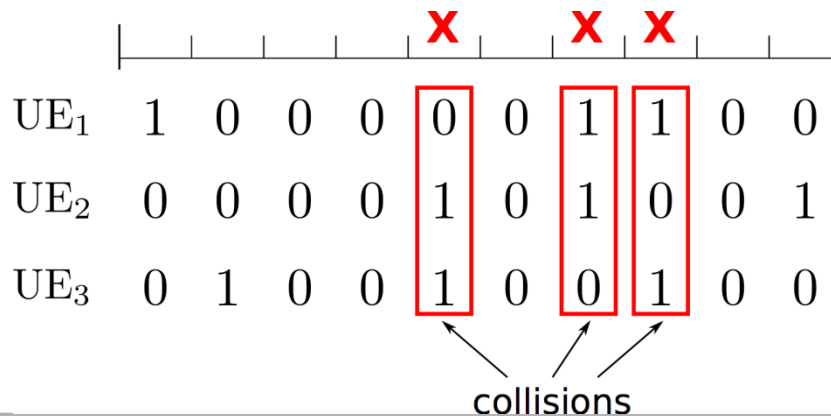


- Process is then periodically repeated...

# LTE D2D V2X

## Distributed Resource Access Scheduling

- The channel access can be treated as a TDMA-like system
- Proposed scheme: **Optical Orthogonal Codes**
  - Multiple transmissions per frame
  - Channel access regulated by codewords with length equal to the number of slots per frame ( “0” slots → TX | “1” slots → RX )
  - Hamming weight of the codeword  $w$  is the **number of transmissions per frame**
  - Two different codewords have **at most  $\lambda$  transmission slots in common** (collisions)



$$w = 3$$
$$\lambda = 1$$

# LTE D2D V2X vs. DSRC

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Performance metric:

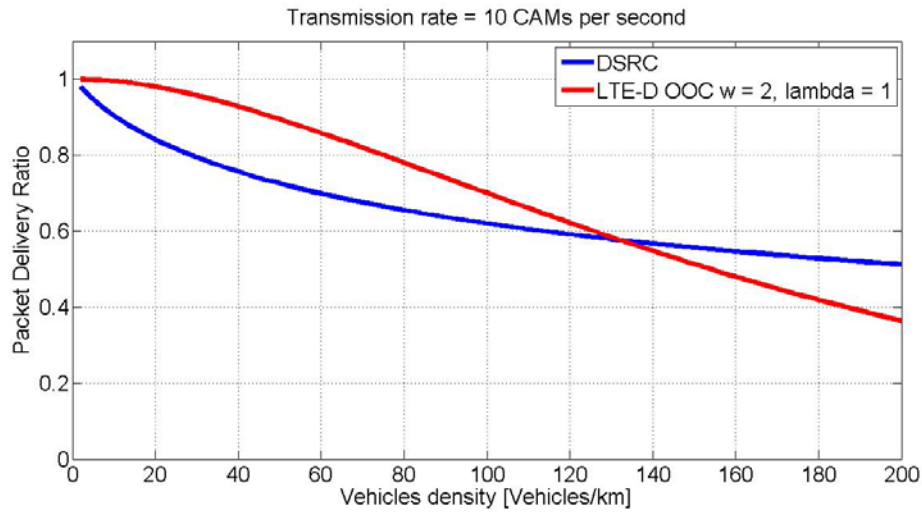
**TX-centric** - probability of successful packet reception (PRR) (packet delivery rate)

**RX-centric** – Inter-reception Time (IRT) between two successive CAM

## System Configuration

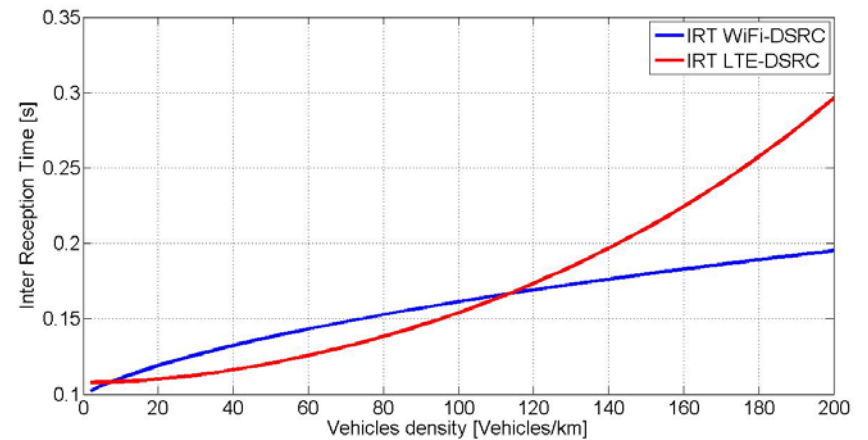
<b><i>Packet type</i></b>	<i>CAM</i>
<b><i>Packet size</i></b>	<i>300 bytes</i>
<b><i>DSRC Channel</i></b>	<i>CCH – 5.9 GHz</i>
<b><i>Transmission period</i></b>	<i>1, 5, 10 Hz</i>
<b><i>Channel rate</i></b>	<i>6 Mbps</i>
<b><i>Modulation</i></b>	<i>QPSK</i>
<b><i>Bandwidth</i></b>	<i>10MHz</i>

# LTE D2D V2X vs. DSRC



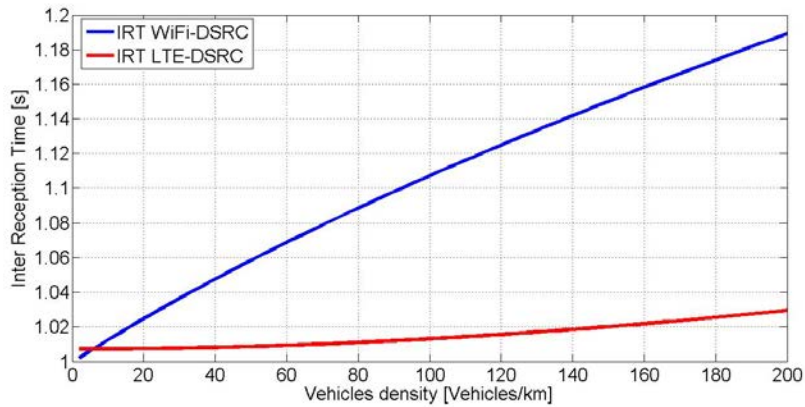
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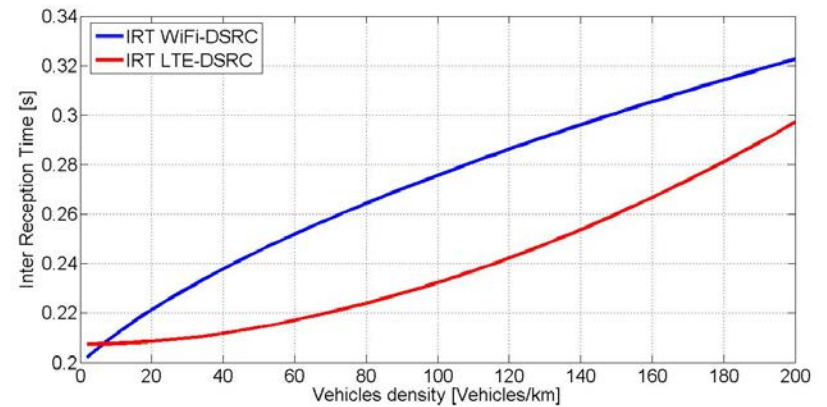


# LTE D2D V2X vs. DSRC – Impact of Congestion

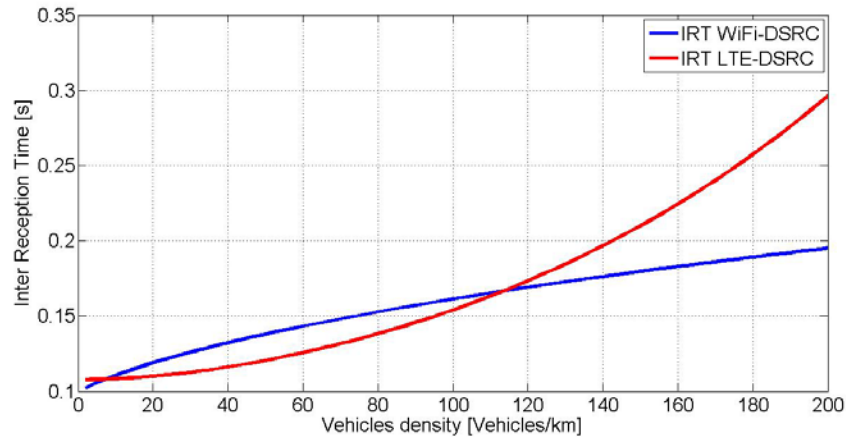
1 Hz



5 Hz



10 Hz



# Discussion

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## ■ LTE D2D V2X

- Strong market and industrial support
- Faster market penetration
- LTE D2D community very active
  - Huawei wants it 'now' (rel. 13)
  - LTE D2D currently also at the ETSI ITS !!
- Performance at least similar to DSRC
  - If not better !!



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## ■ So, what is the fate of DSRC?

- Wireless ATM like fate?
- Bound to WiFi fate?



# WiFi Strikes Back...

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- **WiFi has been announced dead on several occasions**

- It is still alive and kicking
  - New IEEE 802.11 amendments
    - ☞ WiFi Giga
    - ☞ WiFi OFDMA
    - ☞ ...

- **WiFi Strongest assets:**

- Its sub-optimality
- Its simplicity

- **WiFi for V2X – DSRC required?**

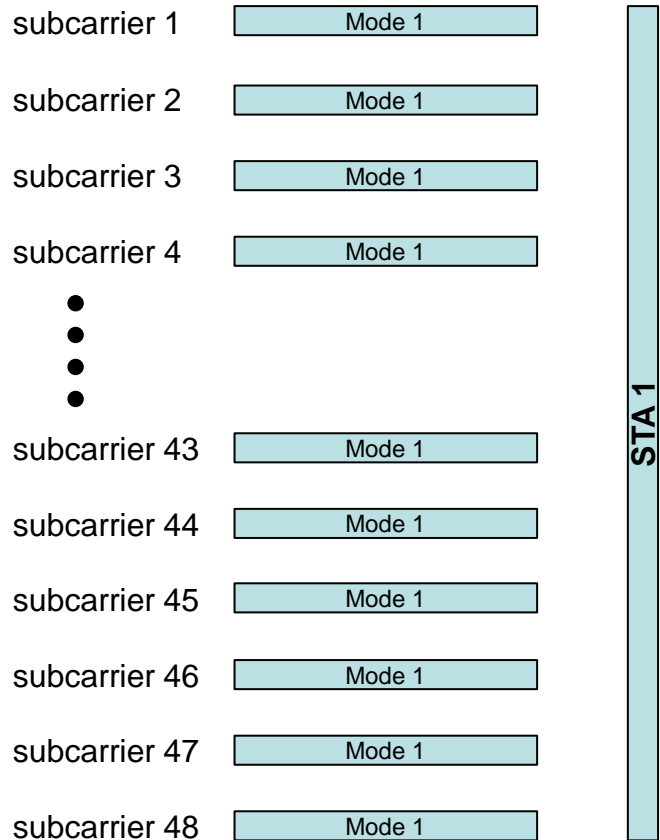
- Maybe not !!

- **Need to address key challenges**

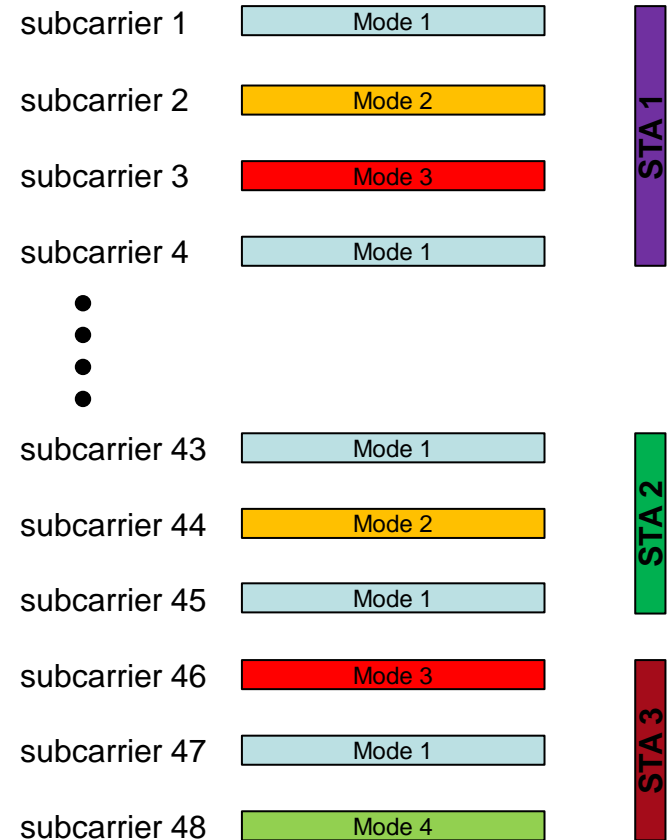
- Challenge 1 – Better spectrum efficiency
- Challenge 2 – Fast link setup

# Challenge 1 – Efficient Spectrum Usage

## OFDMA for WiFi



Legacy OFDM



WiFi OFDMA

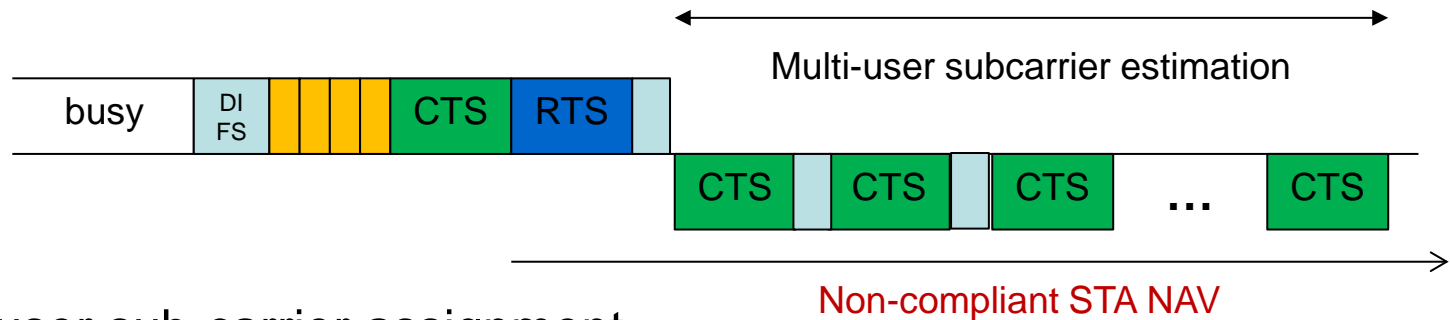
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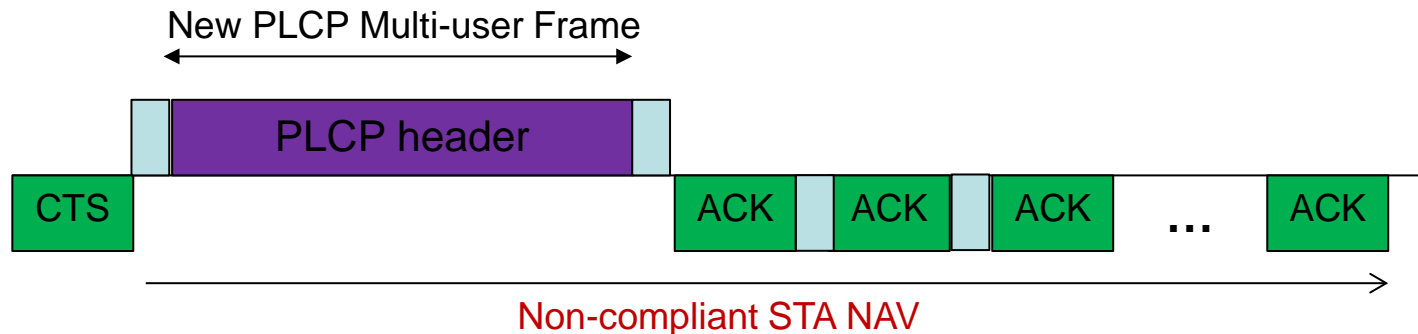
### ■ OFDMA for 802.11



#### ➤ Sub-carrier channel estimation



#### ➤ Multi-user sub-carrier assignment



# Challenge 2 – Fast Discovery and Communication

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- **802.11aq: Pre-association Discovery**
  - enable pre-association discovery of services
  
- **802.11ai: Fast Initial Link Set-up below 100ms**
  - Discovery of network and BSS
  - Authentication and Association signaling
  - IP address configuration
  
- **Safety-critical V2X Communication**
  - Require discovery before associating to BSS
  - Require connection below 100ms

# V2X Communication – Is there any future for DSRC?

## ■ DSRC has been first on the market for V2X

- Suffered from several shortcomings
  - Technical –
    - ☞ Too narrow band – congestion issue
    - ☞ Low spectral efficiency
  - Political –
    - ☞ Two community – automotive vs. internet
    - ☞ Very slow standardization
- Murphy's Law
  - A victim of the Internet-of-Things
- DSRC had its chance
  - Could not be ready on time !

## ■ DSRC disappearing ?

- Not in the near future – market natural selection will decide !!
  - C2X Day 1: DSRC
  - C2X Day 2: LTE D2D
- Maybe in its current shape: 802.11p OCB 10Mhz
  - Could still survive with evolution of WiFi OFDMA and FLS

## ■ Current Strong Fight:

- LTE D2D (LTE 5G) vs. WiFi 5G
  - New/Big market: Train, Flying Devices



# Further Readings

- 3GPP TR 36.843 - Study on LTE Device to Device Proximity Services; Radio Aspects
- 3GPP TR 22.885 study on LTE support for V2X services
- 3GPP - V2X Communications in 3GPP – S1-144 374
- 3GPP - Resource Allocation for D2D Discovery - R1-140273
- 3GPP - D2D discovery design with simulation results – R-134627
- 3GPP - Resource Allocation and UE Behavior for D2D Discovery - R1-140337
- 3GPP - D2D discovery resource size and mapping to physical resources - R1-140841
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