



V2X Communications for Autonomous Driving – Roadmap for WiF-V2X and Cellular-V2X

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Cooperative Communication for Automated Driving - WiFi-based V2X ITS-G5

- **Specification completed in 2010 (IEEE 802.11p-2010)**

- Later integrated in IEEE 802.11-2012

- **Key characteristics**

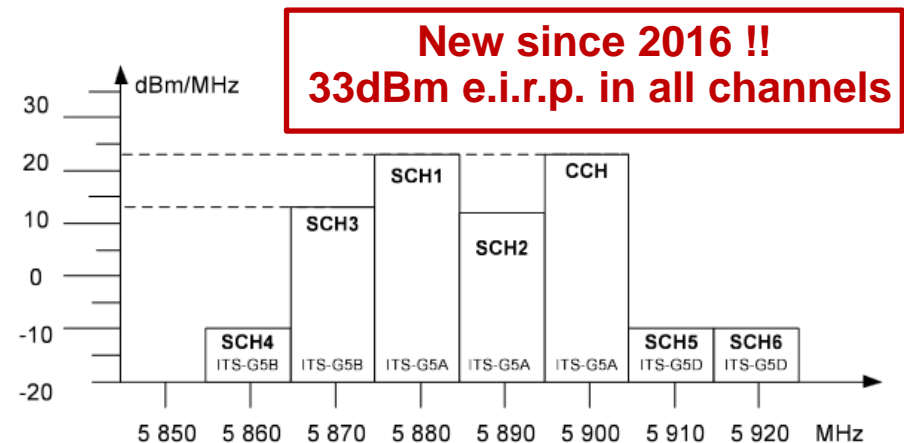
- 5.9 GHz frequency domain
- Based on IEEE 802.11a (OFDM PHY)
- BCC encoder
- 10 MHz channel bandwidth
- Rates: 3, 4.5, 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 27 Mbps
- Operates without a BSS

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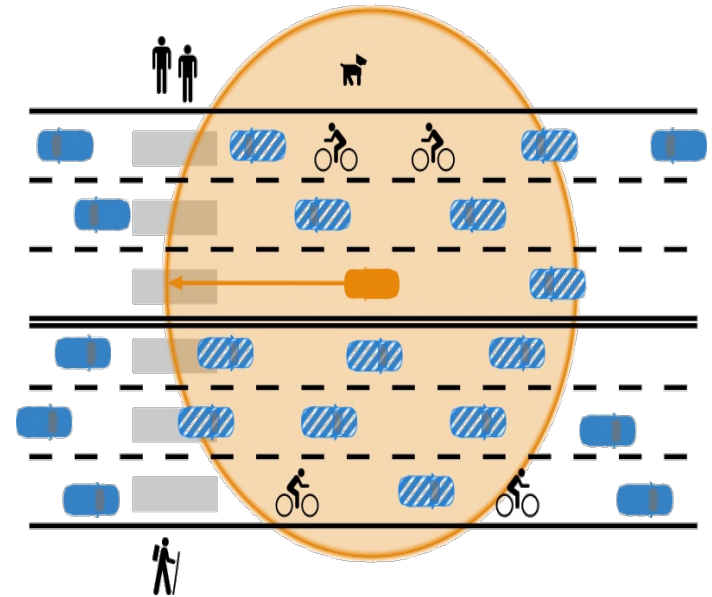
- **ITS Frequency Band**

Name	Center Frequency	Type
SCH6	5920	ITS-G5D - Future ITS
SCH5	5910	
SCH4	5860	ITS-G5B - Non-Safety related
SCH3	5870	
SCH2	5880	
SCH1	5890	ITS-G5A - Safety-Related
CCH	5900	



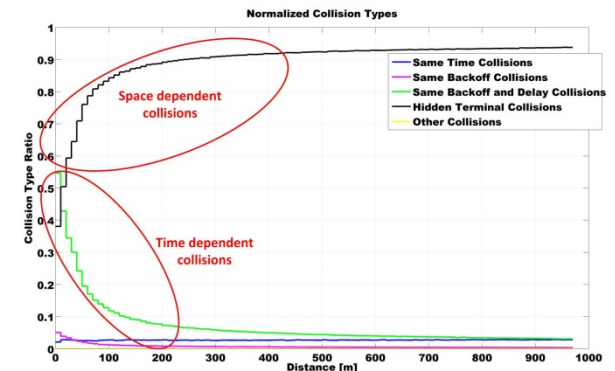
ITS-G5 main Focus: Safety Critical V2X

- **Periodical GPS / speed / heading updates (CAM / BSM)**
- **Geographic broadcast**: all of the road users in **proximity** are recipients
- **Purpose: spread and acquire awareness**
 - **Delay-sensitive** information
- **Building block for Cooperative Intelligent Transportation Systems (C-ITS)**



Challenges of ITS-G5 for V2X Communications

- **Challenging Safety-critical V2X Communications:**
 - Safety-critical application **require 'periodic TX'**
 - DSRC has been optimized for busy traffic
 - **Unacknowledged broadcast traffic** – reliable for low traffic density
 - All cars TX at 10Hz up to 500m – congested channel
 - **Hidden Terminal** – DSRC cannot detect a transmission on the channel
 - Solutions exist for Unicast; not for Broadcast
 - Low mutual mobility & Similar transmit range
 - ☞ Recurring hidden terminal on same nodes
- **The underlying challenge:**
 - **Dependable 1-hop broadcast !!**
 - In space & in time



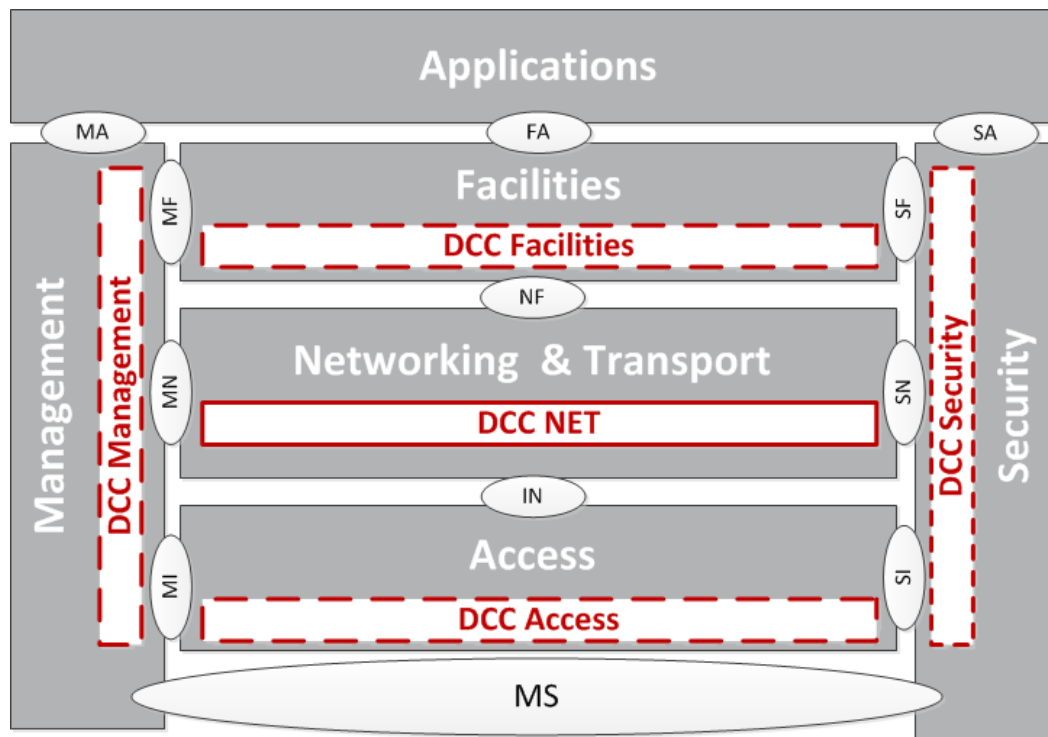
ETSI DCC Architecture (TS 103 175, TS 102 687, TS 102 636-4-2)

- **The Wireless Vehicular Radio Channel has limited resource**

- WiFi is only best effort
- In Ad-hoc (OCB): requires coordinated access

- **DCC controls the load with various mechanisms**

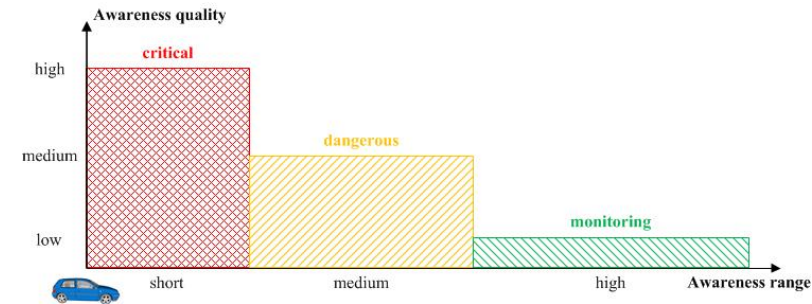
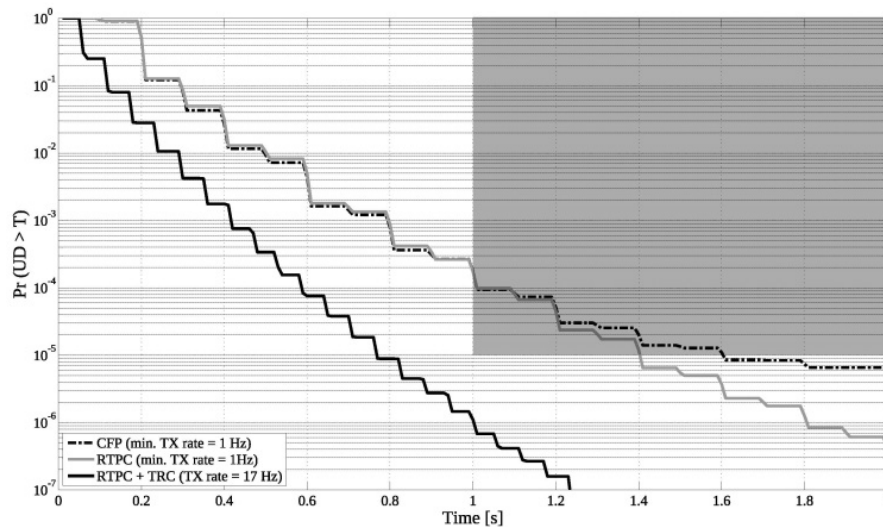
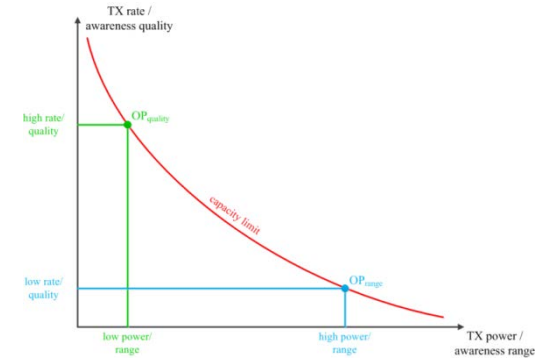
- Adjust Tx Rate – DCC FAC
- Adjust Tx Power – DCC NET
- Adjust Modulation (MCS) – DCC FAC
- Adjust Sensing Threshold – DCC ACC
- Offloading on different channels – DCC MGMT



Decentralized Congestion Control for ITS-G5

■ Strategy: Decentralized Congestion Control

- Adjust Tx parameters to maintain the channel load in an operational limit
- Based on cooperation between vehicles
- Mostly adaptation of Tx power and Tx Rate (flow control)



Bernhard Kloiber, Jérôme Härrı, Thomas Strang, Stefan Sand, Cristina Rico Garcıa, "Random Transmit Power Control for DSRC and its Application to Cooperative Safety", IEEE Transaction of Dependable and Secured Communication, 2015

DAY 2 C-ITS Applications

**NEW WORK ITEMS AND
MESSAGE SETS**

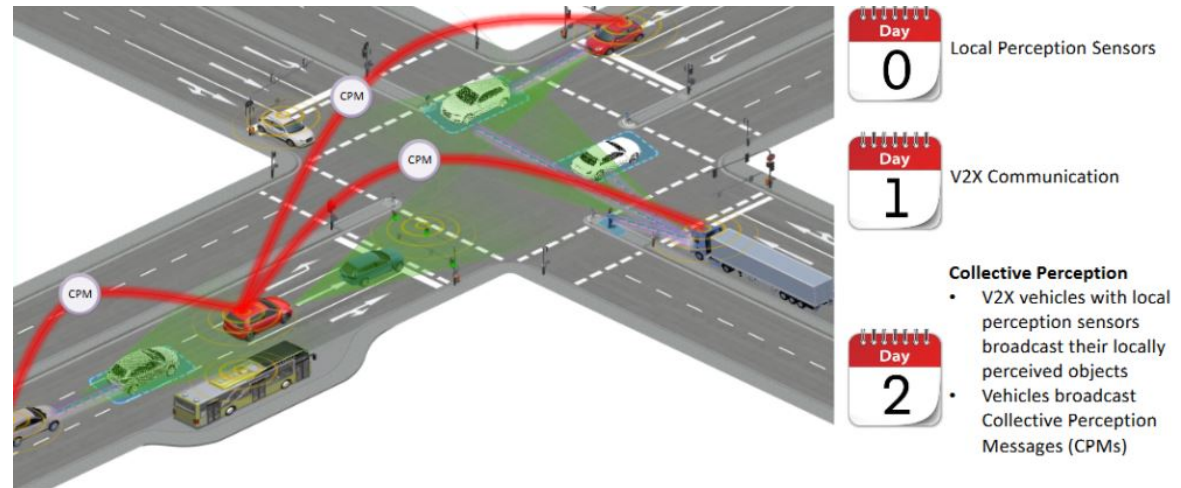
ETSI ITS Innovative Work Items

- TR 102 638 (services) BSA Release 2 (incorporation of the new services)
- TS 102 890-2 (EN 302 890-2) Facility Position and Time
- TS 103 141 Facility Communication Congestion Control
- TR 103 298 Platooning pre-standardisation study
- TR 103 299 C-ACC pre-standardisation study
- TR 103 300-1 VRU pre-standardisation study
- TS 103 300-2 VRU Architecture
- TS 103 300-3 VRU Service
- TR 103 562 Informative Report Collective Perception
- TS 103 324 Collective Perception Service
- TS 103 561 Manoeuvre Coordination Service
- TR 103 579 standardisation study Charging/Tolling applications via ITS-G5 pre-standardisation study
- TR 103 439 Multi Channel Operation study

Sharing Sensor Information for Automated Vehicles

■ Collective Perception Message (CPM) –

- TS 103 324, TR 103 562



■ Message Structure:

- As CAM – one-hop broadcast
- Contains Raw & Processed Sensor data of a car
 - Can also piggyback those from one car in front

Source: Hendrik-Jörn Günther (VW), ETSI

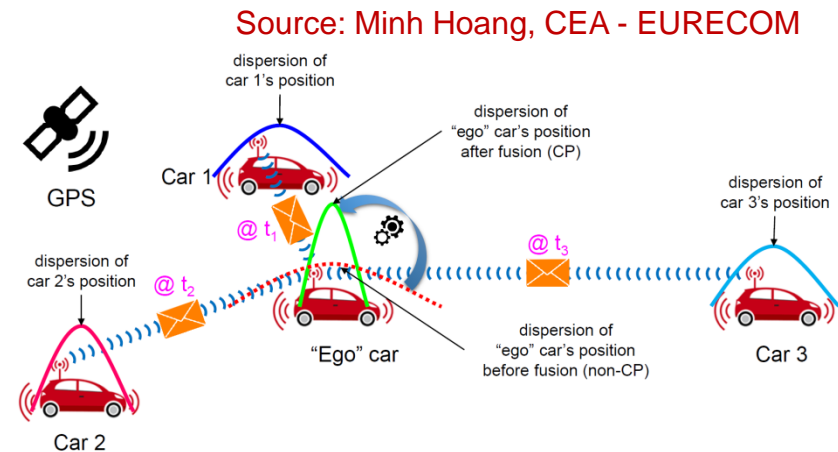
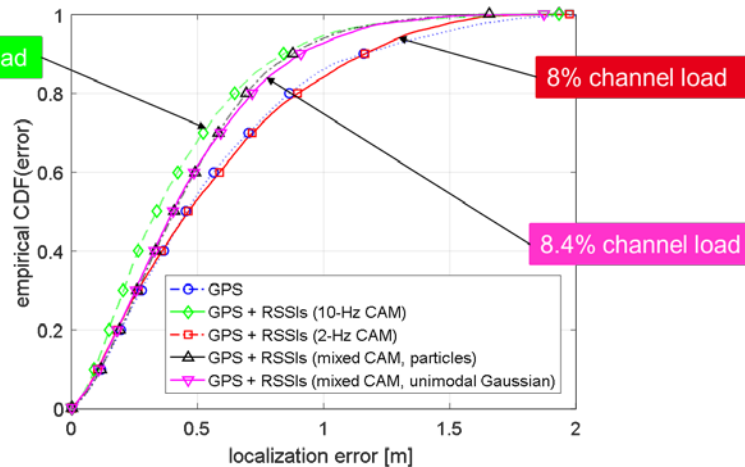


Reference - Hendrik-Jörn Günther et al., **Realizing Collective Perception in a Vehicle**, IEEE Vehicular Networking Conference (VNC), 2016

Improving Positioning for Automated Vehicles

■ Precise Awareness Message (PAM) –

- Providing sub-meter awareness ‘precision’



■ Message Structure:

- No GPS transmission, rather fusion data
- Smaller (70 bytes)
- Can reach 100Hz at 60% channel load

Source: Irfan Khan, EURECOM

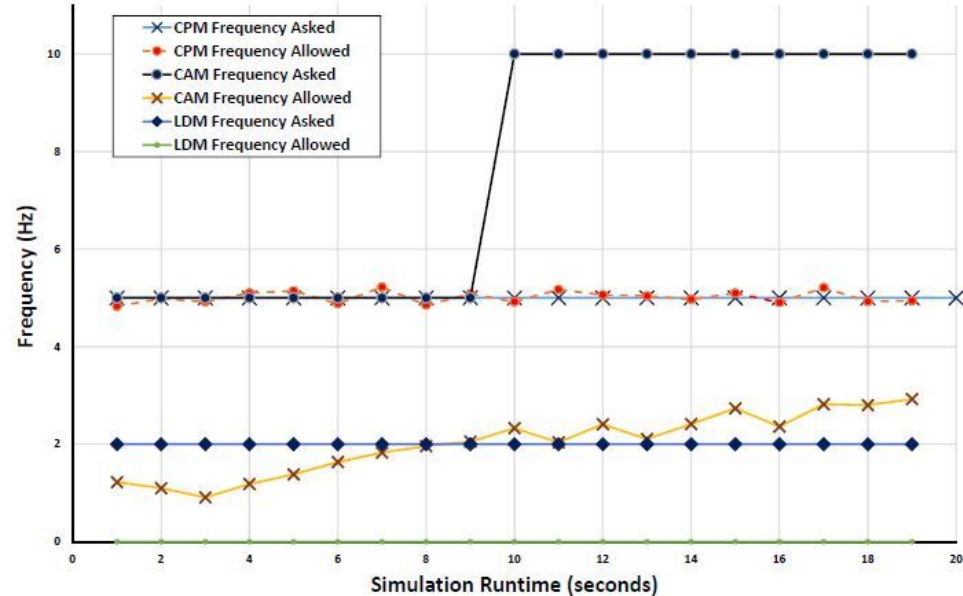
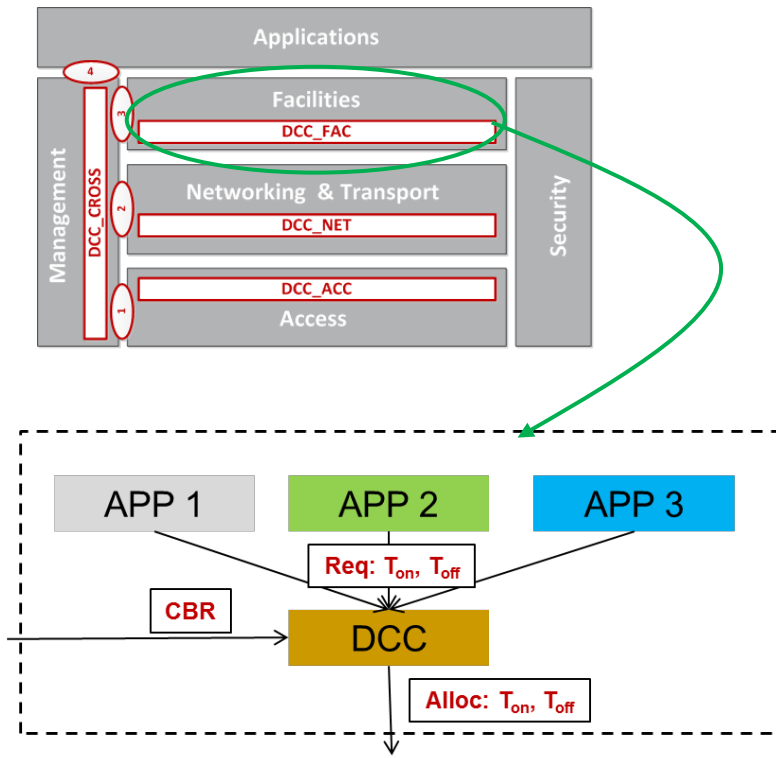
Position	2 x 4 byte scalar
Covariance Matrix	3 x 4 byte scalar
Timestamp	1 x 8 byte
Headers, MAC & PHY	42 byte
Total Packet Size = 70 bytes	

More details: Irfan Khan, Minh Gia Hoang Jérôme Härrı, “Rethinking Cooperative Awareness for Future V2X Safety-critical Applications”, later **today at 16:30** at VNC 2017

Multi-Message Congestion Control

Facilities-layer DCC – TS 103 141

- Objective: provide fair channel access time to all message
 - Potentially irrespective to the technology



Source: Irfan Khan, EURECOM

IEEE 802.11px

ITS-G5 RELEASE 2

ITS-G5 rel. 2 – Design Directions & Roadmap

- In November 2016, the CAR 2 CAR initiated a WI on ITS-G5 Rel. 2

- CAR 2 CAR white paper – “Enhanced 11p Investigations and Proposal”

- Design directions:

- Enhanced channel usage (modulation, congestion control)
- Enhanced information exchange (Tx what is ‘required’)
- Enhanced PHY & MAC
- Enhanced Capacity
 - mmWAVE bands

- Input currently under discussions at the CAR 2 CAR

- Objectives:
 - > 5dB gain at 5GHz
 - 10x capacity at 60Hz



ITS-G5 rel. 2 – Enhanced Channel Usage

- **ETSI EN 302 571 specifies a default QPSK $\frac{1}{2}$ modulation (6mbps) modulation on CCH**
 - Why? Seminal work (2008)
 - D. Jiang, Q. Chen, L. Delgrossi, “Optimal data rate selection for vehicle safety communications”, Proc. ACM international workshop on Vehicular Inter-Networking (VANET), San Francisco, California, USA, pp. 30-38, 15 Sept. 2008.
 - Hypothesis: **Constant TX power**
 - Hypothesis no longer valid...

- **What is then the ‘optimal’ data rate for CCH?**
 - Recent paper (2017):
 - M. Sepulcre, J. Gozalvez, B. Coll-Perales "Why 6Mbps is not (always) the Optimum Data Rate for Beaconing in Vehicular Networks", IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing, Early Access, 2017.
 - Conclusions: default data rate can go up to 18 Mbps on CCH
 - **Up to 3x channel capacity of ITS-G5 rel. 1**

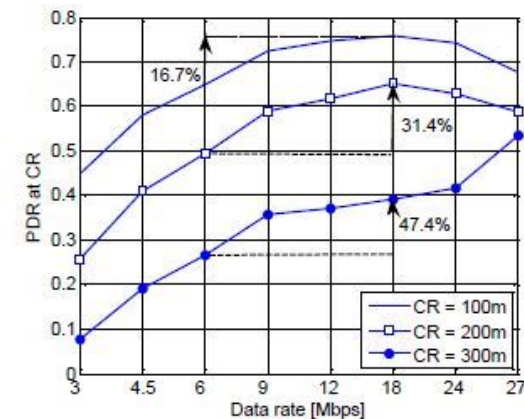
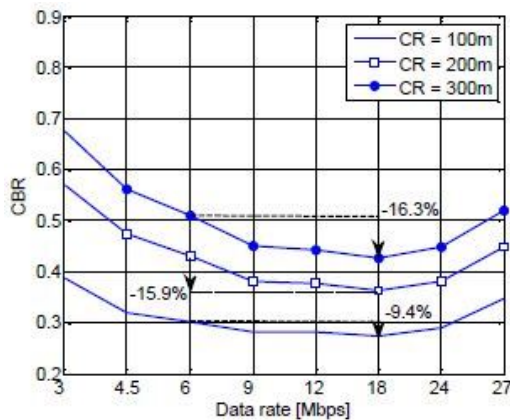
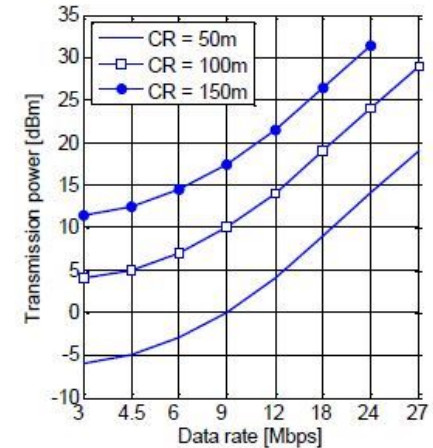
ITS-G5 rel. 2 – Enhanced Channel Usage

■ Principle:

- Joint adjustment of Tx power and data rate to optimize the channel occupancy ‘footprint’
 - In a nutshell: considers the impact of Tx power in perturbing remote neighbors
- Objective: adjusting Tx power (and modulation) to guarantee a **95% PDR at a given TX range**

■ ITS-G5 default 18 mbps on CCH

- The Channel Load (CBR) is reduced by 9%-16% as function of the intended distance
- The Packet Delivery Ratio is improved by 16%-47%



Source: M. Sepulcre, J. Gozalvez, B. Coll-Perales "Why 6Mbps is not (always) the Optimum Data Rate for Beaconing in Vehicular Networks", IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing

ITS-G5 rel. 2 – IEEE 802.11px enhanced PHY

■ Critics says: IEEE 802.11p is an old technology

- Indeed developed 10 years ago
- But not the limit of what WiFi can do !!

■ IEEE 802.11ac

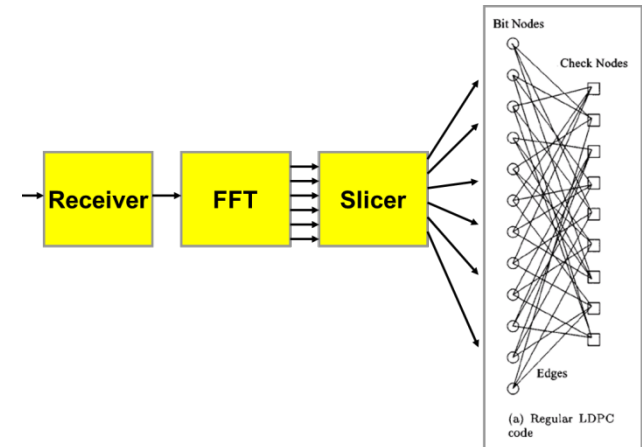
- Current state-of-art WiFi Technology
- **Up to 1Gbps**

■ Main features

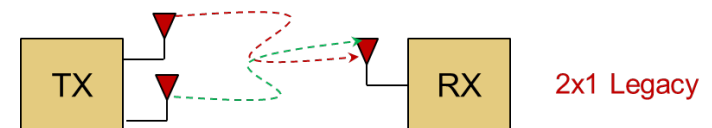
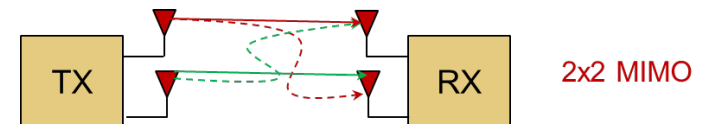
- Physical Layer:
 - LDPC coding
 - STBC (space-time coding)
 - Enhanced channels width: 80Mhz, 160Mhz

■ Design Guideline of IEEE 802.11px

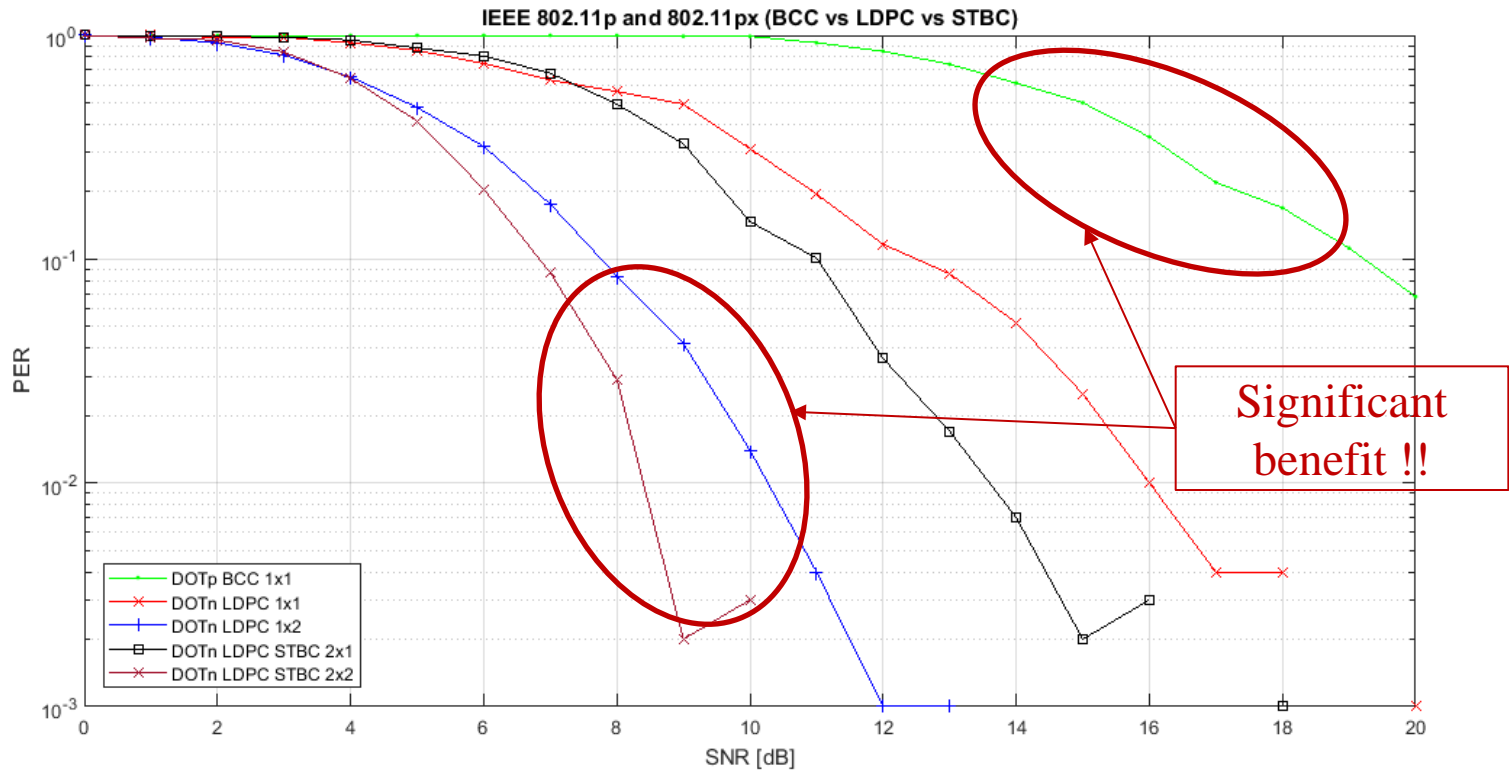
- Take the **802.11ac PHY**
- Adapt it to **OCB and High Mobility**
- Keep **Backward compatible** with 802.11p



Source: IEEE 802.11-2012



IEEE 802.11p – Impact of LDPC w/o STBC

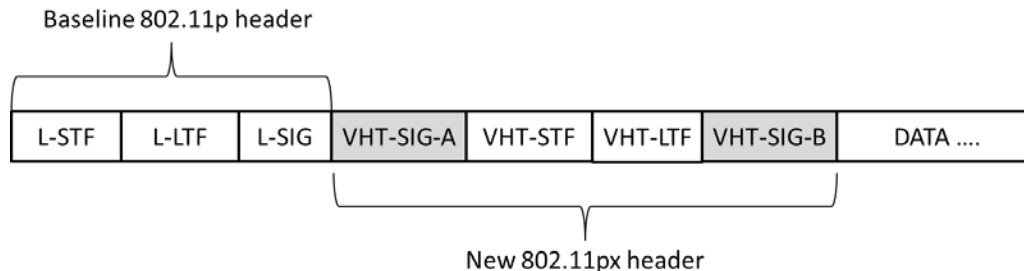


IEEE 802.11px – Basic Proposal

■ IEEE 802.11px – on IEEE 802.11-2016

- `dotOCBActivated = TRUE` – OCB mode for WiFi
- **VHT PHY** – provision for LDPC and STBC
 - **STBC** code with two streams (2x1)
 - **LDPC** flag in **VHT-SIG-A** turned to 1
- **10Mhz half-clock rate** – mitigate coherence time and Doppler spread
- **5.9 GHz band in Europe (5.855–5.925 GHz)** – default channel to operate the OCB mode.
 - **Ethertype** Protocol discrimination shall also be used as mentioned in 802-2014.

➤ Header:



IEEE 802.11px – Coexistence & Backward compatibility

- **Coexistence with Legacy 802.11p**
 - IEEE 802.11px devices
 - IEEE 802.11px profile able to understand each other
 - IEEE 802.11px vs. Legacy
 - any IEEE 802.11-2016 VHT PHY device may also decode non-HT preamble, any legacy IEEE 802.11p will be decoded and understood at the same Sensitivity level (no PHY hidden terminal).
 - Legacy vs. IEEE 802.11p
 - any IEEE 802.11-2016 VHT PHY includes a non-HT preamble, and as such at least the preamble of any IEEE 802.11-2016 PHY PSDU will be decoded
 - Legacy vs. Legacy
 - As current situation

- **For Legacy IEEE 802.11p to decode IEEE 802.11px**
 - **Double payload** – any IEEE 802.11-2016 VHT PHY shall integrate two aggregated data parts: VHT-related data (LDPC, STBC encoded), non-HT data (BCC encoded).
 - **Double transmission** – any IEEE 802.11px device shall transmit twice the same message, once using VHT and once with Non-HT

IEEE 802.11px – Channel Capacity

Mod	Coding rate (R)	Coded bits per subcarrier (NBPSC)	Coded bits per OFDM symbol (NCBPS)	Data bits per OFDM symbol (NDBPS)	Data rate [Mb/s] (20 MHz channel spacing) short/long GI	Minimum Sensitivity [dBm]	SINR Threshold (dB)
BPSK	1/2	1	52	26	6.5 / 7.2	-82	5
QPSK	1/2	2	104	52	13.0 / 14.4	-79	10
QPSK	3/4	2	104	78	19.5 / 21.7	-77	13
16-QAM	1/2	4	208	104	26.0 / 28.9	-74	16
16-QAM	3/4	4	208	156	39.0 / 43.3	-70	19
64-QAM	2/3	6	312	208	52.0 / 57.8	-66	22
64-QAM	3/4	6	312	234	58.5 / 65.0	-65	25
64-QAM	5/6	6	312	260	65.0 / 72.2	-64	27
256-QAM	3/4	8	416	312	78.0 / 86.7	-59	30

IEEE 802.11px – Profile and Next steps

■ Default Parameters:

- Preamble/PHY header (non-HT and VHT fields): BPSK ½
- Data: 64-QAM
- Dynamic transmit power for homogeneous SINR at range R

■ New Congestion control required

- significantly shorter air-time
- required dynamic transmit power adjustments

■ Next Steps:

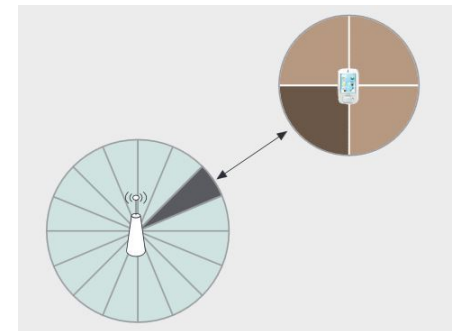
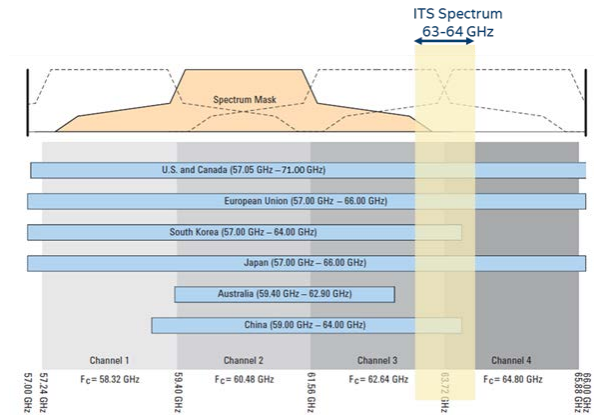
- Developing LDPC codes for IEEE 802.11px (2017)
- Performance Evaluation (2017-2018)
- Proposal to IEEE 802.11 (2018)

- 10Mhz VHT PHY
- OCB on VHT PHY
- New LDPC codes for VHT PHY when OCB

Minor
modification
required !!

IEEE 802.11px – mmWAVE PHY

- **mmWAVE - C-ITS reserved band**
 - 63-64GHz
- **IEEE 802.11ad**
 - Release 2012
 - Extension of IEEE ac for mmWAVE
 - Sectorial MAC mechanisms for management
 - ..
- **IEEE 80211ad aims at 4-6 Gbps**
 - Products already available !!
 - IEEE 802.11px expected to have minor modifications
- **Design Guideline of IEEE 802.11px @ 60GHz**
 - Optimize IEEE 802.11ad for mmWAVE C-ITS Bands VHT PHY OCB



Source: Thomas Nitsche, IEEE Com. Magazine

IEEE 802.11px – Road Map

■ Short Term Opportunities

- Increased/adaptive default ITS-G5 modulation (18 mbps)
 - Up to 40% PDR at 300m

■ Medium Term Opportunities

- LDPC support (with backward compatibilities)
 - Up to 6dB gain
- STBC (Alamouti) 2x2
 - Up to 3dB gain
- Adapted Modulation & Congestion Control (60mbps)
 - Up to 10x capacity gain
- mmWAVE PHY
 - 1.5 – 4 Gbps capacity

■ Longer Term Opportunities

- optimized MAC

Key Message – ITS-G5 is not the issue; rather the way we use it !!

(some) References

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■ Standards

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