

## Course Overview

- Introduction and History
- Data in Wireless Cellular Systems
- Data in Wireless Local Area Networks
- Internet Protocols
- Routing and Ad-Hoc Networks
- TCP over Wireless Link
- Services and Service Discovery
- System Support for Mobile Applications



## Wireless Local Area Networks

- “Traditional” LANs: WaveLan, Proxim, IEEE 802.11
- More specific “personal” LANs, also called “Personal Area Networks”: Bluetooth, IEEE 802.15
- High-speed wireless LANs (approaching ATM data rates): HiperLAN

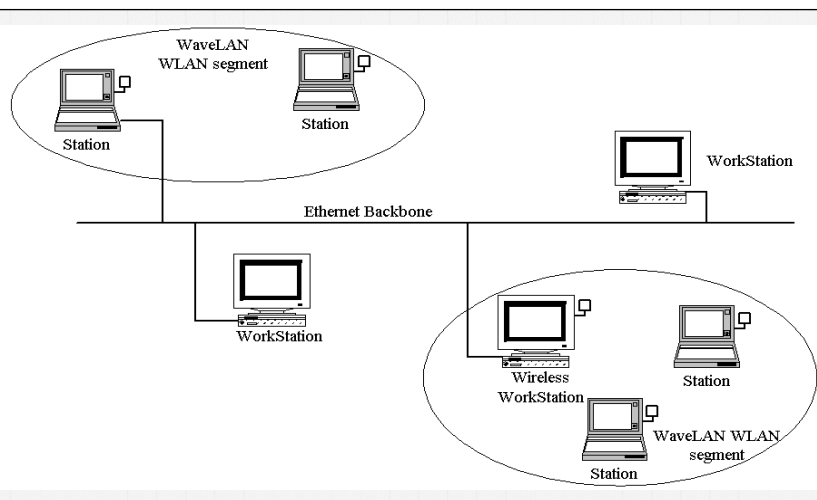


## WaveLAN

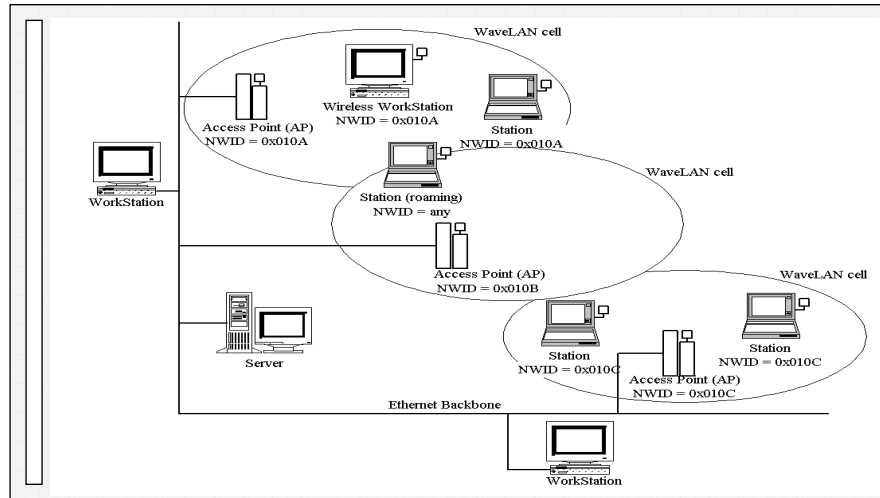
- Commercial product, developed by Lucent Technologies (de-facto market leader), available since early 1990s
- Development closely aligned with early IEEE 802.11 standard effort, first product generation differs in key aspects from final IEEE 802.11 standard
- Will discuss WaveLAN version 1, newer version 2 follows finally approved 802.11 standard (plus enhancements to allow for data rates up to 10 Mbps)
- Physical layer:
  - 915 MHz (902-928 MHz) or 2.4 GHz (2.412-2.475 GHz) ISM band
  - Bands are divided into frequency channels of 26 MHz each
  - Modulation scheme: DSSS, raw data rate of 2 Mbps



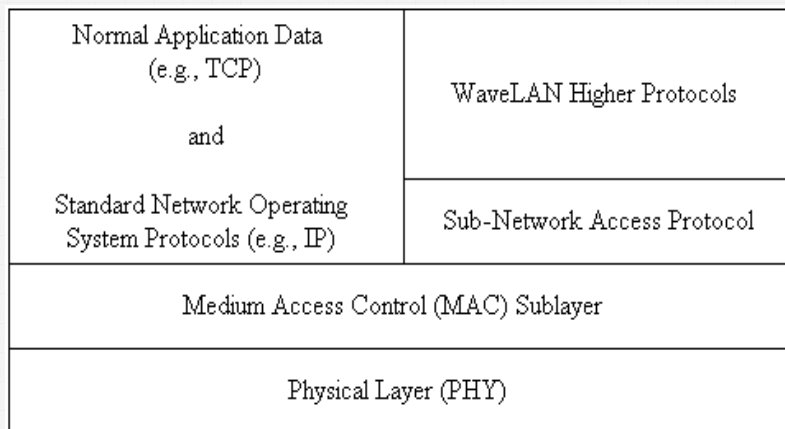
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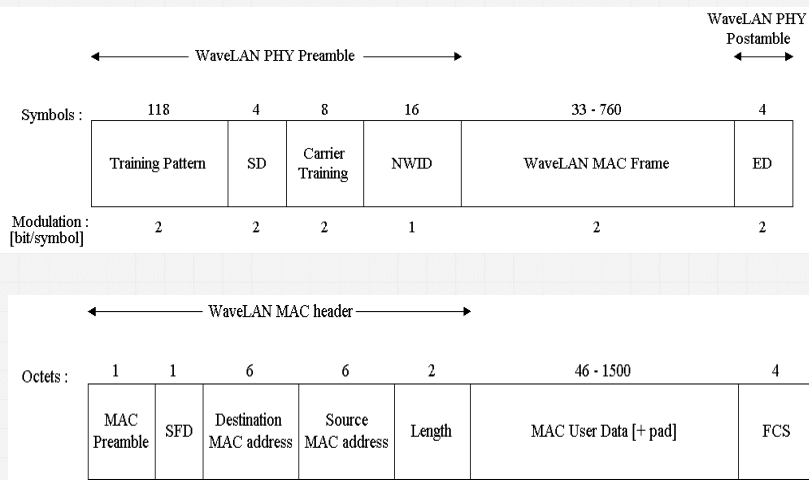
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# WaveLAN: Protocol Stack



## WaveLAN: Frame Formats

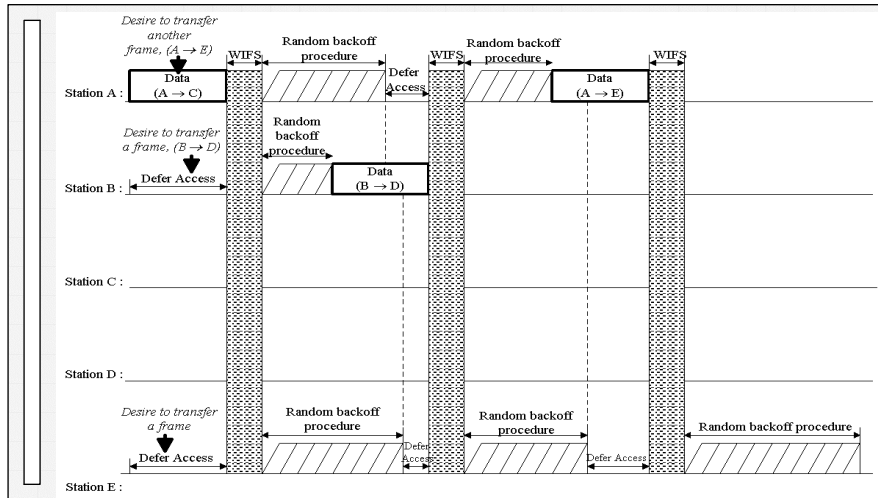


## WaveLAN MAC Protocol

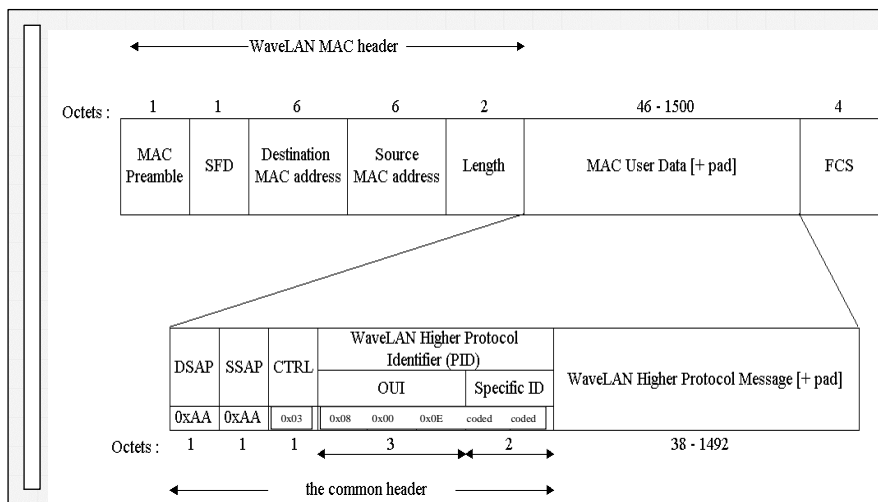
- Basically CSMA/CA
- Sense media before transmission, if free, transmit
- Defer:
  - wait until end of current transmission, plus fixed delay (WaveLAN InterFrame Space, WIFS) of 60  $\mu$ sec
  - apply random backoff procedure: pick number between 0 and 31 (antenna slot number S)
  - each slot corresponds to 23  $\mu$ s
  - wait  $S \cdot 23 \mu$ s, sense media again, if busy, double backoff range until we reach range 0-255
  - drop packet after 15 attempts
- If station has more than one packet to send: wait WIFS plus backoff-period in range 0-15 (avoid monopolization)



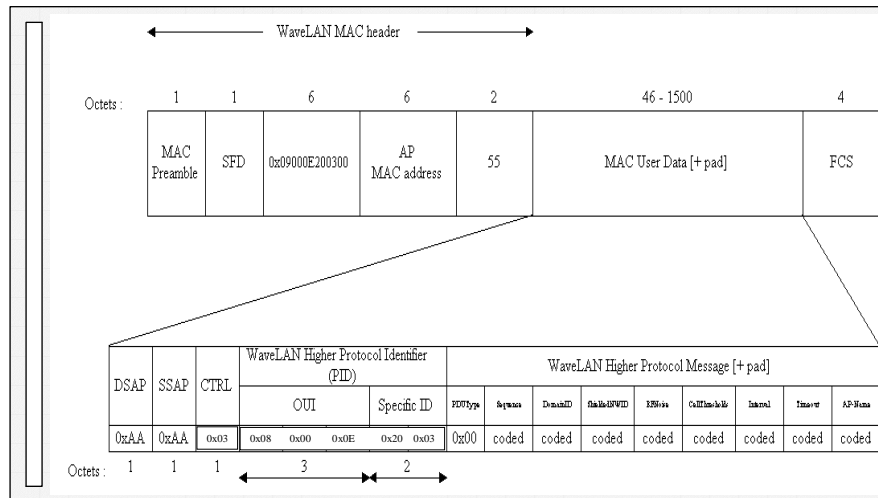
# WaveLAN: MAC Protocol (Example)



# WaveLAN: Higher Protocols



## WaveLAN: Beacon (Higher Protocol Example)

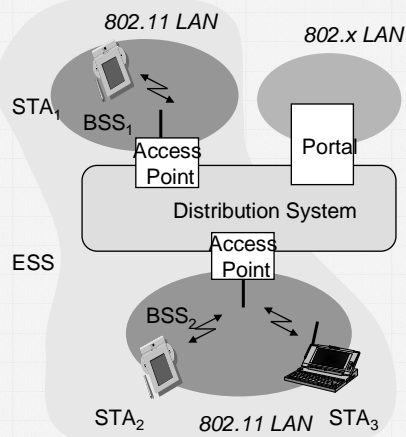


## IEEE 802.11

- Standard for wireless local area networks, approved by IEEE in 1997
- Scope: physical layer (PHY) and media access control sublayer (MAC) for wireless connectivity for fixed, portable, and moving stations with a local area
- Supports data rates of 1 or 2 Mbps, using infrared or radio
- Supports two basic architectures: independent basic support set (IBSS) and infrastructure networks
- Most recent commercial products (including the new WaveLAN generation) are compatible with 802.11

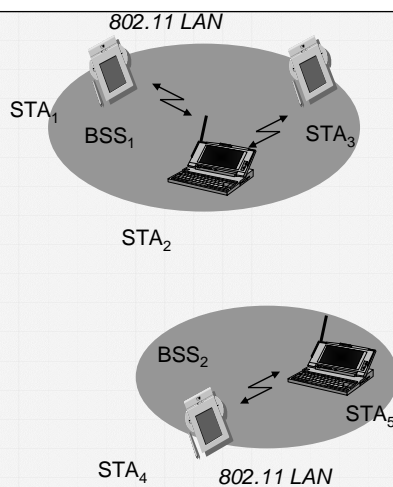


## 802.11 Infrastructure Network



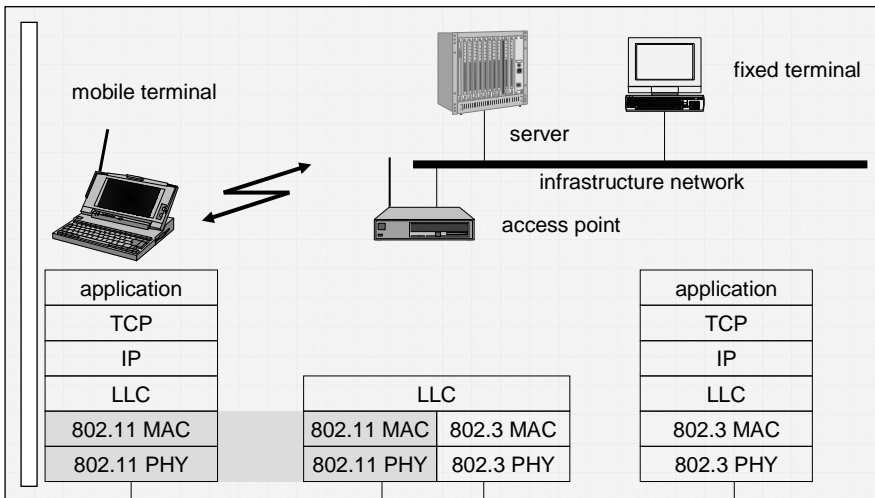
- Station (STA)
  - terminal with access mechanisms to the wireless medium and radio contact to the access point
- Basic Service Set (BSS)
  - group of stations using the same radio frequency
- Access Point
  - station integrated into the wireless LAN and the distribution system
- Portal
  - bridge to other (wired) networks
- Distribution System
  - interconnection network to form one logical network (ESS: Extended Service Set) based on several BSS

## 802.11 Ad-hoc Network

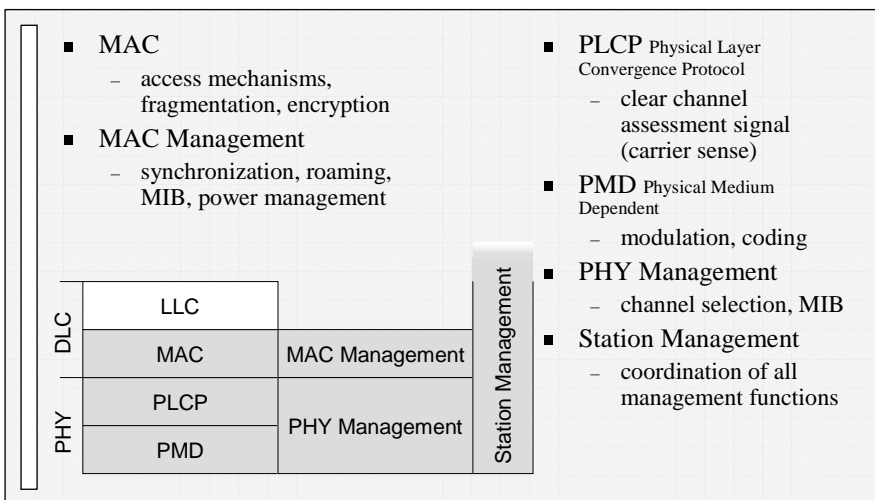


- Direct communication within a limited range
  - Station (STA): terminal with access mechanisms to the wireless medium
  - Basic Service Set (BSS): group of stations using the same radio frequency

# IEEE Family of Standards



# 802.11 Layers and Functions



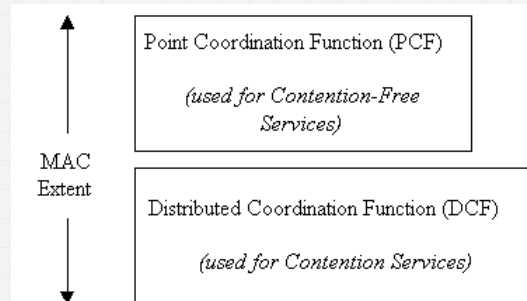


## 802.11 Physical Layer

- 3 versions: 2 radio (typ. 2.4 GHz), 1 IR
  - data rates 1 or 2 Mbit/s
- FHSS (Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum)
  - spreading, despreading, signal strength, typ. 1 Mbit/s
  - min. 2.5 frequency hops/s (USA), two-level GFSK modulation
- DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum)
  - DBPSK modulation for 1 Mbit/s (Differential Binary Phase Shift Keying), DQPSK for 2 Mbit/s (Differential Quadrature PSK)
  - preamble and header of a frame is always transmitted with 1 Mbit/s, rest of transmission 1 or 2 Mbit/s
  - chipping sequence: +1, -1, +1, +1, -1, +1, +1, +1, -1, -1, -1 (Barker code)
  - max. radiated power 1 W (USA), 100 mW (EU), min. 1mW
- Infrared
  - 850-950 nm, diffuse light, typ. 10 m range
  - carrier detection, energy detection, synchronization



## IEEE 802.11 MAC Architecture



DCF: all stations contend for service (based on CSMA/CA scheme), is fundamental access method  
PCF: contention-free services

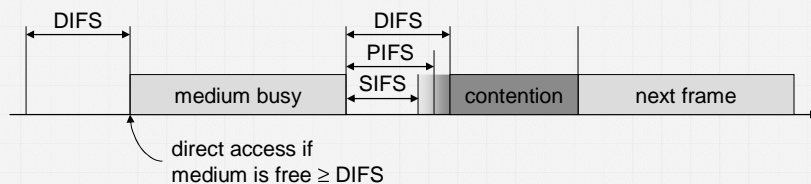


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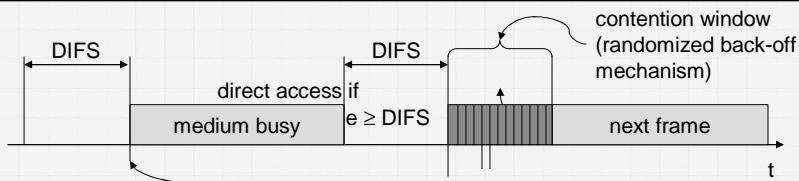
- Traffic services
  - Asynchronous Data Service (mandatory)
    - exchange of data packets based on “best-effort”
    - support of broadcast and multicast
  - Time-Bounded Service (optional)
    - implemented using PCF (Point Coordination Function)
- Access methods
  - DCF CSMA/CA (mandatory)
    - collision avoidance via randomized „back-off“ mechanism
    - minimum distance between consecutive packets
    - ACK packet for acknowledgements (not for broadcasts)
  - DCF w/ RTS/CTS (optional)
    - Distributed Foundation Wireless MAC (DFWMAC)
    - avoids hidden terminal problem
  - PCF (optional)
    - access point polls terminals according to a list

## 802.11 MAC Layer

- Priorities
  - defined through different inter frame spaces
  - no guaranteed, hard priorities
  - SIFS (Short Inter Frame Spacing)
    - highest priority, for ACK, CTS, polling response
  - PIFS (PCF IFS)
    - medium priority, for time-bounded service using PCF
  - DIFS (DCF, Distributed Coordination Function IFS)
    - lowest priority, for asynchronous data service

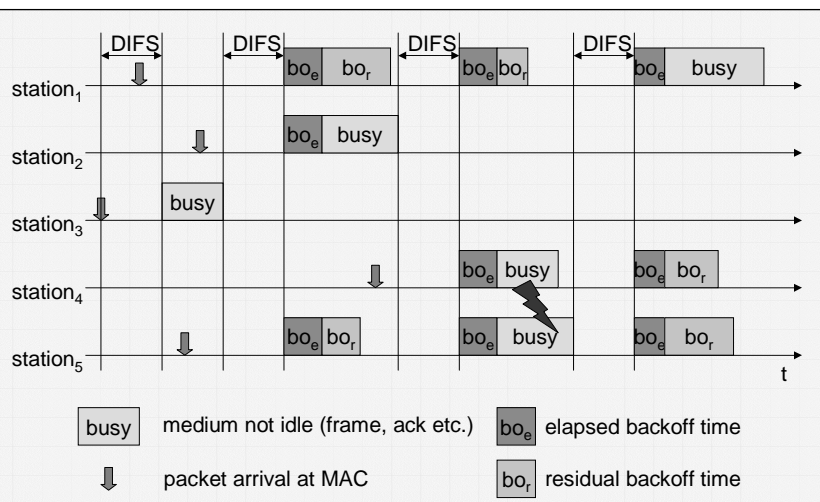


# 802.11 MAC: CSMA/CA



- station ready to send starts sensing the medium (Carrier Sense based on CCA, Clear Channel Assessment)
- if the medium is free for the duration of an Inter-Frame Space (IFS), the station can start sending (IFS depends on service type)
- if the medium is busy, the station has to wait for a free IFS, then the station must additionally wait a random back-off time (collision avoidance, multiple of slot-time)
- if another station occupies the medium during the back-off time of the station, the back-off timer stops (fairness)

# 802.11 MAC: Competing Stations



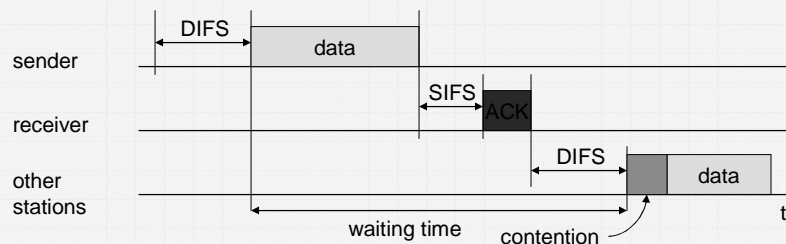
## IEEE 802.11 DCF Protocol

- Sense media before transmission
- If media is free, transmit if media stays idle for a fixed amount of time (DCF Interframe Space, DIFS)
- Defer:
  - wait until end of current transmission, plus DIFS
  - apply random backoff procedure: pick number between 0 and 7, check whether medium is idle during each backoff slot
  - if media is busy, suspend backoff process at beginning of current slot
  - after media was idle for selected number of slots, transmit immediately
  - if this transmission results in collision, backoff again, doubling the backoff
- Upon receipt of packet:
  - receiver waits short interval (Short Interframe Space, SIFS)
  - transmits acknowledgement frame (ACK) back to sender
- If sender receives no ACK within ACKTimeout interval, assume collision



## 802.11 MAC: CSMA/CA

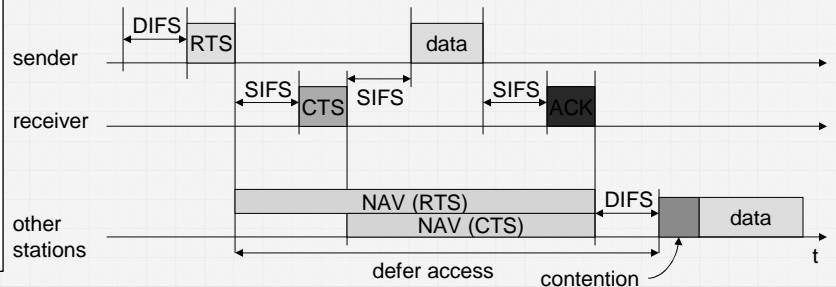
- Sending unicast packets
  - station has to wait for DIFS before sending data
  - receivers acknowledge at once (after waiting for SIFS) if the packet was received correctly (CRC)
  - automatic retransmission of data packets in case of transmission errors



## 802.11 MAC: RTS/CTS

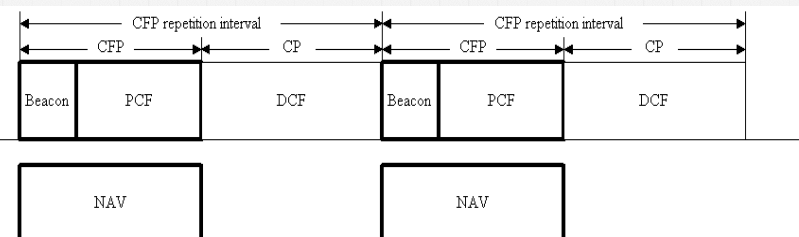
### ■ Sending unicast packets

- station can send RTS with reservation parameter after waiting for DIFS (reservation determines amount of time the data packet needs the medium)
- acknowledgement via CTS after SIFS by receiver (if ready to receive)
- sender can now send data at once, acknowledgement via ACK
- other stations store medium reservations distributed via RTS and CTS

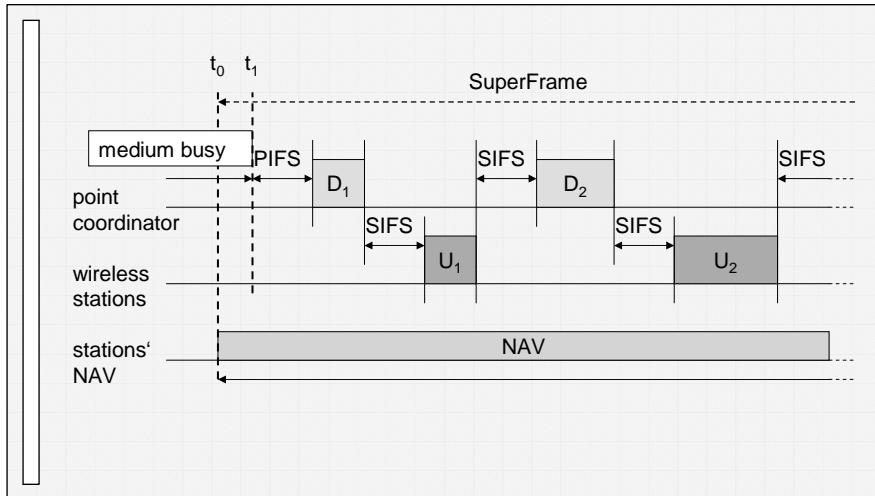


## IEEE 802.11: DCF and PCF Coexistence

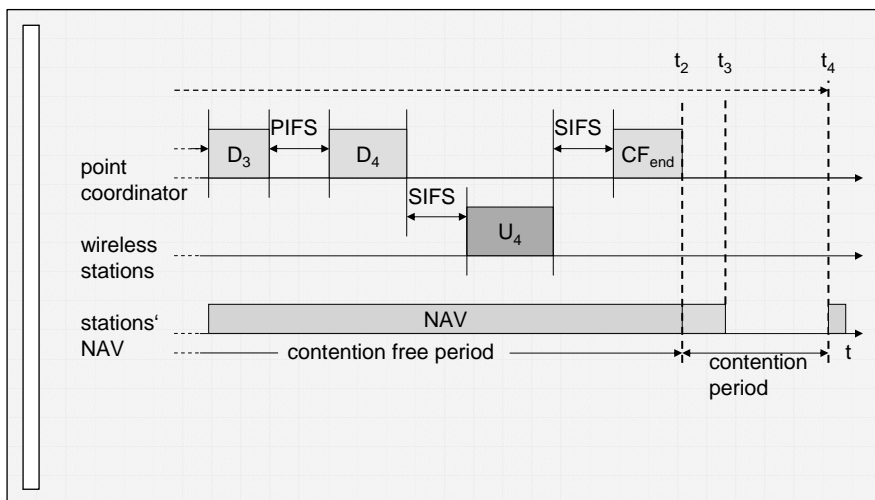
- PCF is optional, only applicable in infrastructure network
- PCF has to coexist with DCF, sits logically on top of DCF (see below)
- PCF relies on point coordinator, which operates at the Access Point (AP)
- Point coordinator polls stations and allows transmission without contending for channel
- CFP (contention-free period) initiated by beacon after media has been idle for a PCF Interframe Space (PIFS), all stations will defer access for maximum duration of CFP
- Coordinator can poll stations or prematurely terminate CFP by transmitting CFP-End frame



## 802.11 MAC: Point Coordination Function

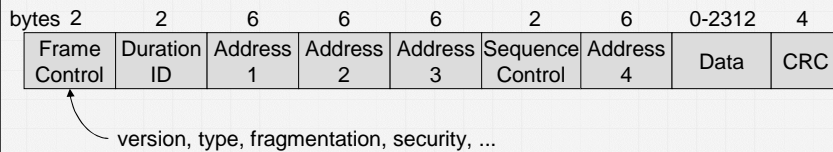


## 802.11 MAC: Point Coordination Function



## 802.11 MAC Frame Format

- Types
  - control frames, management frames, data frames
- Sequence numbers
  - important against duplicated frames due to lost ACKs
- Addresses
  - receiver, transmitter (physical), BSS identifier, sender (logical)
- Miscellaneous
  - sending time, checksum, frame control, data



## MAC Address Format

scenario	to DS	from DS	address 1	address 2	address 3	address 4
ad-hoc network	0	0	DA	SA	BSSID	-
infrastructure network, from AP	0	1	DA	BSSID	SA	-
infrastructure network, to AP	1	0	BSSID	SA	DA	-
infrastructure network, within DS	1	1	RA	TA	DA	SA

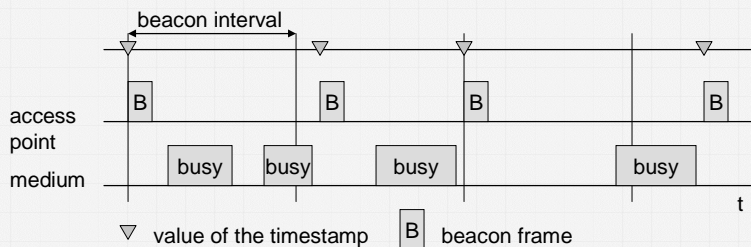
DS: Distribution System  
 AP: Access Point  
 DA: Destination Address  
 SA: Source Address  
 BSSID: Basic Service Set Identifier  
 RA: Receiver Address  
 TA: Transmitter Address

## 802.11 MAC Management

- Synchronization
  - try to find a LAN, try to stay within a LAN
  - timer etc.
- Power management
  - sleep-mode without missing a message
  - periodic sleep, frame buffering, traffic measurements
- Association/Reassociation
  - integration into a LAN
  - roaming, i.e. change networks by changing access points
  - scanning, i.e. active search for a network
- MIB - Management Information Base
  - managing, read, write

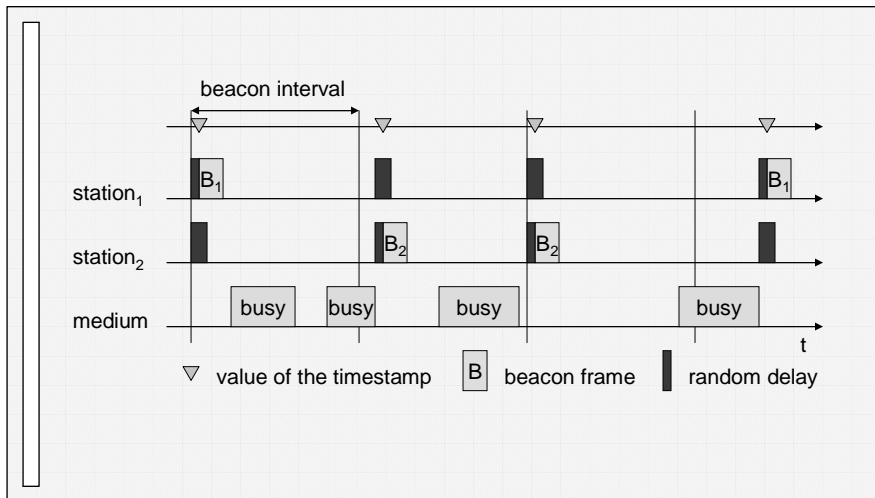


## Synchronization using a Beacon (Infrastructure Network)





## Synchronization using a Beacon (Ad-hoc Network)

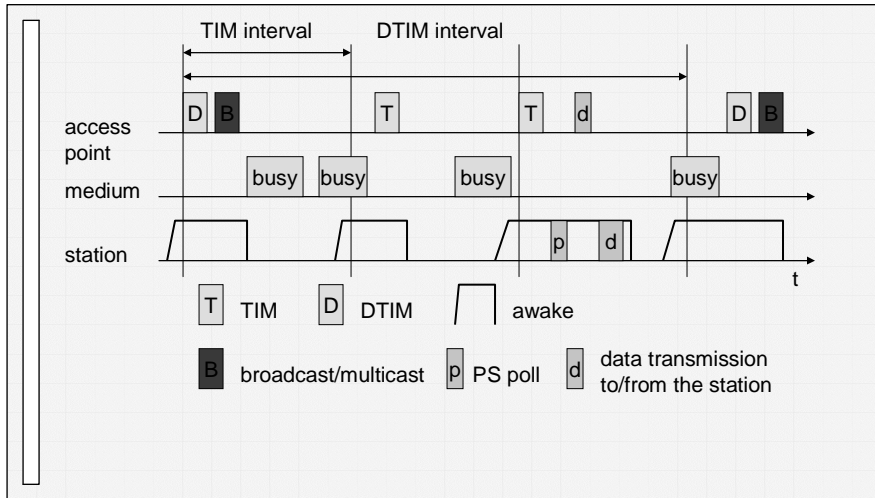


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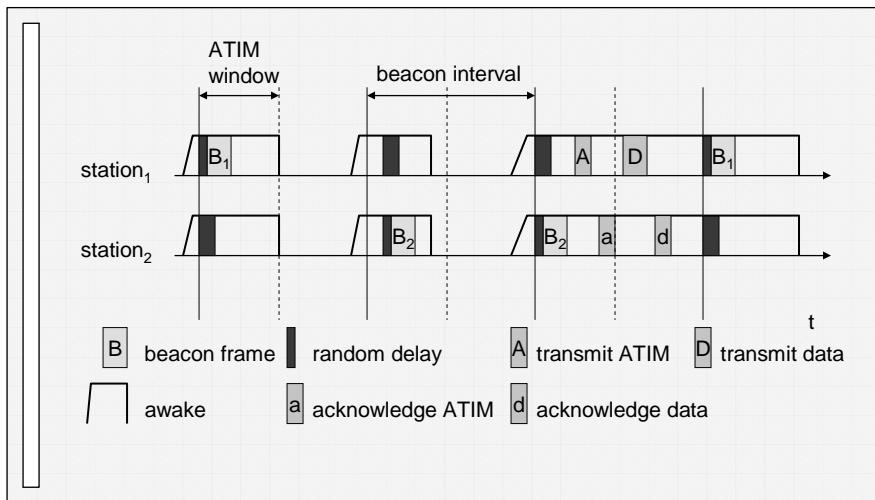
- Idea: switch the transceiver off if not needed
- States of a station: sleep and awake
- Timing Synchronization Function (TSF)
  - stations wake up at the same time
- Infrastructure
  - Traffic Indication Map (TIM)
    - list of unicast receivers transmitted by AP
  - Delivery Traffic Indication Map (DTIM)
    - list of broadcast/multicast receivers transmitted by AP
- Ad-hoc
  - Ad-hoc Traffic Indication Map (ATIM)
    - announcement of receivers by stations buffering frames
    - more complicated - no central AP
    - collision of ATIMs possible (scalability?)



## Power saving with wake-up patterns (Infrastructure Network)



## Power saving with wake-up patterns (Ad-hoc Network)



## 802.11 Roaming

- No or bad connection? Then perform:
  - Scanning
    - scan the environment, i.e., listen into the medium for beacon signals or send probes into the medium and wait for an answer
  - Reassociation Request
    - station sends a request to one or several AP(s)
  - Reassociation Response
    - success: AP has answered, station can now participate
    - failure: continue scanning
  - AP accepts Reassociation Request
    - signal the new station to the distribution system
    - the distribution system updates its data base (i.e., location information)
    - typically, the distribution system now informs the old AP so it can release resources



## Future Developments

- IEEE 802.11a
  - compatible MAC, but now 5 GHz band
  - transmission rates up to 20 Mbit/s
  - close cooperation with BRAN (ETSI Broadband Radio Access Network)
- IEEE 802.11b
  - higher data rates at 2.4 GHz
  - proprietary solutions already offer 10 Mbit/s
- IEEE WPAN (Wireless Personal Area Networks)
  - market potential
  - compatibility
  - low cost/power, small form factor
  - technical/economic feasibility
  - ➔ Bluetooth



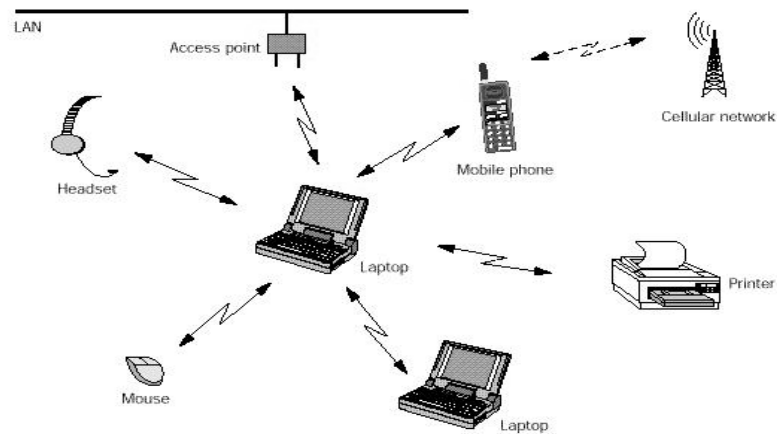
## Bluetooth: “Personal Area Networks”

- open specification for wireless communication of data and voice
- based on a low-cost short-range radio link, built into a 9 x 9 mm microchip (design goal: cost of US\$ 5/device)
- facilitates protected ad hoc connections for stationary and mobile communication environments
- Bluetooth is a cooperation between computer and telecommunication industries (Ericsson, IBM, Toshiba, Intel, Nokia, ...)
- SIG started in February 1998 with above five members, has grown since (64 companies joined in January 1999 alone)



## Bluetooth Vision

(see also <http://www.ericsson.se/review/pdf/1998031.pdf>)



## Bluetooth General Characteristics

- operates in the 2.4 GHz Industrial-Scientific-Medical (ISM) band
  - nominal link range: 10 cm to 10 m, can be increased to 100 m (transmitting with more power)
- uses Frequency Hop (FH) spread spectrum
- supports up to 8 devices in a piconet (two or more Bluetooth units sharing a channel)
- built-in security
- non line-of-sight transmission through walls and briefcases (distinguishes it from IrDA)
- omni-directional
- supports both isochronous and asynchronous services; easy integration of TCP/IP for networking



## Bluetooth Intended Uses

- connect a wide range of computing and telecommunications devices without the need to buy, carry, or connect cables
- delivers opportunities for rapid, ad hoc connections, and in the future, possibly for automatic, unconscious, connections between devices
- power-efficient radio technology can be used in many of the same devices that use IR:
  - Phones and pagers
  - Modems
  - LAN access devices
  - Headsets
  - Notebook, desktop, and handheld computers

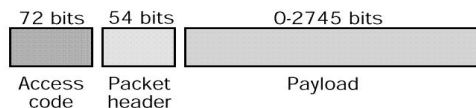
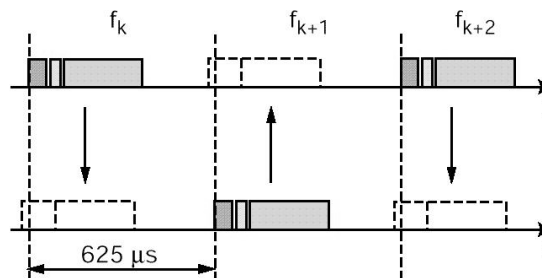


## Bluetooth Radio

- frequency hopping in 79 hops displaced by 1 MHz, starting at 2.402 GHz and stopping at 2.480 GHz
  - to function on a worldwide basis, Bluetooth requires a radio frequency that is license-free and open to any radio
  - 2.45 GHz ISM band satisfies these requirements, although it must cope with interference from baby monitors, garage door openers, cordless phones and microwave ovens, which also use this frequency.
- due to local regulations the bandwidth is reduced in Japan, France and Spain. This is handled by an internal software switch
- the maximum frequency hopping rate is 1600 hops/s.



## Bluetooth Frequency Hopping/Time Division Duplex Scheme



## Bluetooth MAC protocol

- Time Division Duplex (TDD) scheme for full-duplex transmissions
  - master device establishes connection, slave devices synchronize their clock with master clock for duration of connection
- Synchronous Connection Oriented (SCO) type (used primarily for voice)
  - channel symmetric, only data packets retransmitted
- Asynchronous Connectionless (ACL) type (used primarily for packet data)
  - master unit controls the link bandwidth and decides how much piconet bandwidth is given to each slave, and the symmetry of the traffic
  - slaves must be polled before they can transmit data.
  - The ACL link also supports broadcast messages from the master to all slaves in the piconet



## Bluetooth MAC Protocol

- Error correction:
  - 1/3 rate forward error correction code (FEC)
    - for SCO only
  - 2/3 rate forward error correction code FEC
  - Automatic repeat request (ARQ) scheme for data
    - data transmitted in one slot is directly acknowledged by the recipient in the next slot.
- Authentication and Privacy
  - one-way, two-way, or no authentication possible
  - use stream cipher based on secret keys (0, 40, 64 bits)
  - key management left to higher layer software
  - if stronger protection (longer key is needed), use better encryption at network and/or application level



## Bluetooth Data Rates

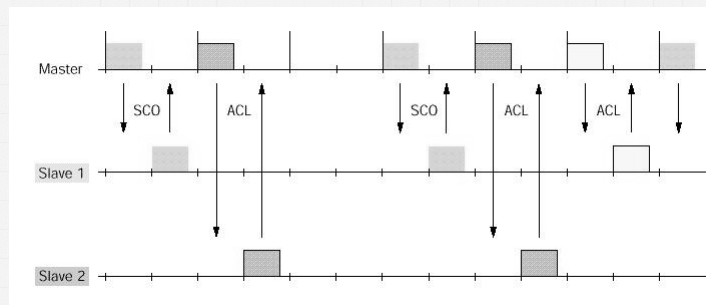
Type	Symmetric (kbit/s)	Asymmetric (kbit/s)	
DM1	108.8	108.8	108.8
DH1	172.8	172.8	172.8
DM3	256.0	384.0	54.4
DH3	384.0	576.0	86.4
DM5	286.7	477.8	36.3
DH5	432.6	721.0	57.6

DMx: packet covers x slots, uses FEC

DHx: packet covers x slots, no error protection



## Bluetooth PicoNet Example



Mixed environment:

Slave 1 supports SCO and ACL link, SCO interval is six slots

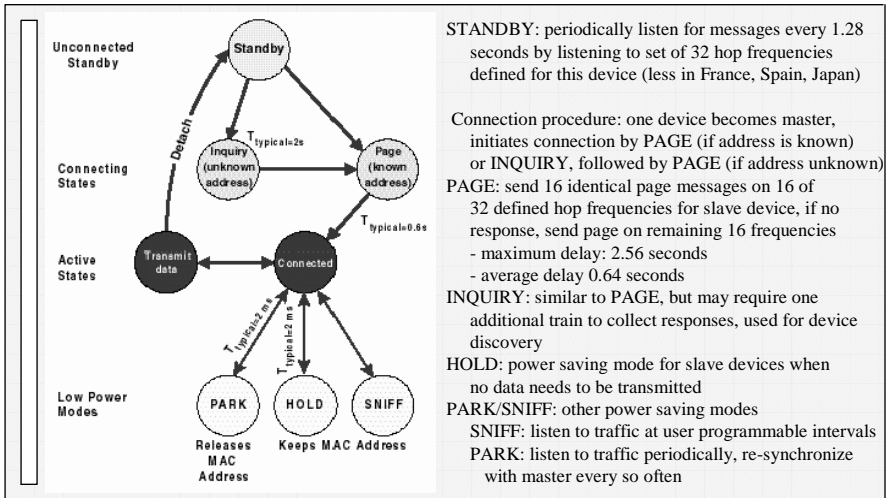
Slave 2 supports only ACL link

Slots may be empty when no data is available....

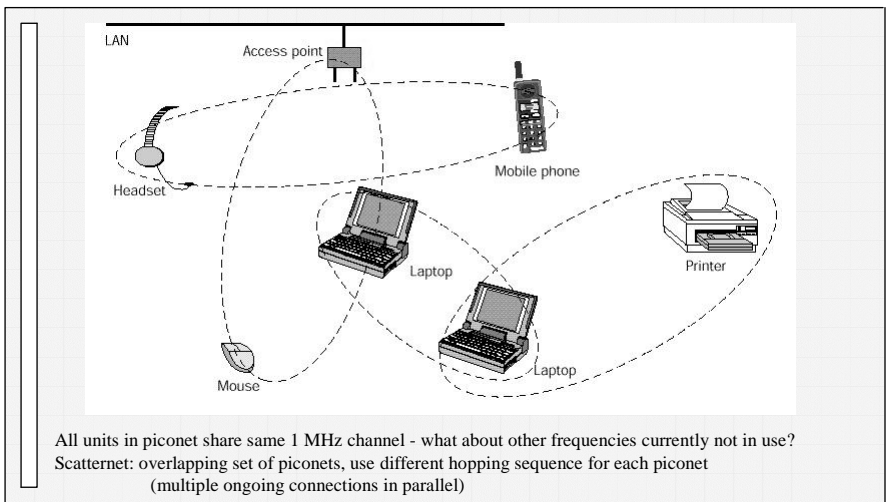




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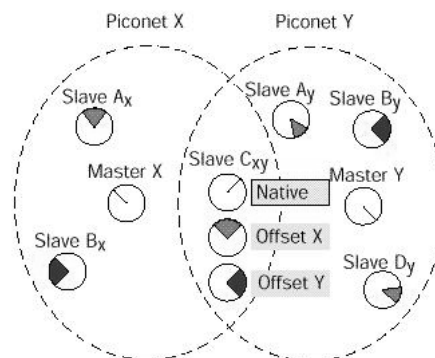
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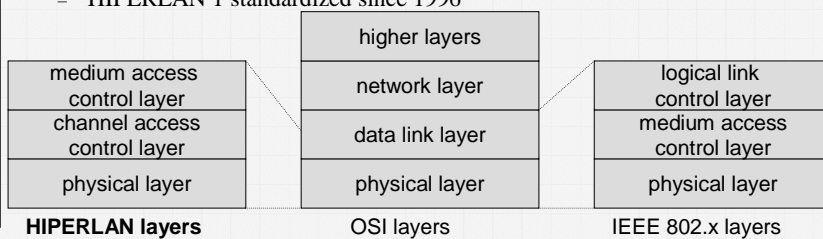
- Multiple overlapping piconets (sets of communicating devices) with own hopping sequence, max of one master and 8 slaves
- Collisions do occur when two piconets use same frequency at the same time
  - as more piconets overlap, performance degrades
  - degradation gradual: 10 overlapping piconets reduce aggregate bandwidth by 10%
- Single device can participate in multiple piconets, though only one at a time
  - need to re-adjust clock to re-sync with master when entering a piconet
  - inform master when device leaves piconet, will suppress data being sent/device being polled

## Bluetooth Scatternet



# HIPERLAN

- ETSI standard
  - European standard, cf. GSM, DECT, ...
  - Enhancement of local Networks and interworking with fixed networks
  - integration of time-sensitive services from the early beginning
- HIPERLAN family
  - one standard cannot satisfy all requirements
    - range, bandwidth, QoS support
    - commercial constraints
  - HIPERLAN 1 standardized since 1996



# Original HIPERLAN Protocol Family

	HIPERLAN 1	HIPERLAN 2	HIPERLAN 3	HIPERLAN 4
Application	wireless LAN	access to ATM fixed networks	wireless local loop	point-to-point wireless ATM connections
Frequency	5.1-5.3GHz			17.2-17.3GHz
Topology	decentralized ad-hoc/infrastructure	cellular, centralized	point-to-multipoint	point-to-point
Antenna	omni-directional		directional	
Range	50 m	50-100 m	5000 m	150 m
QoS	statistical	ATM traffic classes (VBR, CBR, ABR, UBR)		
Mobility	<10m/s		stationary	
Interface	conventional LAN	ATM networks		
Data rate	23.5 Mbit/s	>20 Mbit/s		155 Mbit/s
Power conservation	yes		not necessary	

## HIPERLAN 1 Characteristics

- Data transmission
  - point-to-point, point-to-multipoint, connectionless
  - 23.5 Mbit/s, 1 W power, 2383 byte max. packet size
- Services
  - asynchronous and time-bounded services with hierarchical priorities
  - compatible with ISO MAC
- Topology
  - infrastructure or ad-hoc networks
  - transmission range can be larger than coverage of a single node („forwarding“ integrated in mobile terminals)
- Further mechanisms
  - power saving, encryption, checksums



## HIPERLAN 1 Services and Protocols

- CAC service
  - definition of communication services over a shared medium
  - specification of access priorities
  - abstraction of media characteristics
- MAC protocol
  - MAC service, compatible with ISO MAC and ISO MAC bridges
  - uses HIPERLAN CAC
- CAC protocol
  - provides a CAC service, uses the PHY layer, specifies hierarchical access mechanisms for one or several channels
- Physical protocol
  - send and receive mechanisms, synchronization, FEC, modulation, signal strength



## HIPERLAN 1 Physical Layer

### ■ Scope

- modulation, demodulation, bit and frame synchronization
- forward error correction mechanisms
- measurements of signal strength
- channel sensing

### ■ Channels

- 3 mandatory and 2 optional channels (with their carrier frequencies)
- mandatory
  - channel 0: 5.1764680 GHz
  - channel 1: 5.1999974 GHz
  - channel 2: 5.2235268 GHz
- optional (not allowed in all countries)
  - channel 3: 5.2470562 GHz
  - channel 4: 5.2705856 GHz

## HIPERLAN 1 Physical Layer Frames

- Maintaining a high data-rate (23.5 Mbit/s) is power consuming - problematic for mobile terminals
  - packet header with low bit-rate comprising receiver information
  - only receiver(s) address by a packet continue receiving

### ■ Frame structure

- LBR (Low Bit-Rate) header with 1.4 Mbit/s
- 450 bit synchronization
- minimum 1, maximum 47 frames with 496 bit each
- for higher velocities of the mobile terminal ( $> 1.4$  m/s) the maximum number of frames has to be reduced



### ■ Modulation

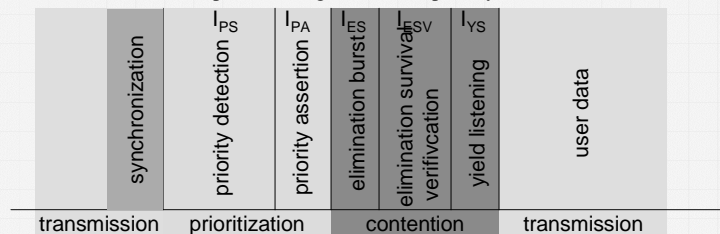
- GMSK for high bit-rate, FSK for LBR header

## HIPERLAN 1 CAC Sublayer

- Channel Access Control (CAC)
  - assure that terminal does not access forbidden channels
  - priority scheme, access with EY-NPMA
- Priorities
  - 5 priority levels for QoS support
  - QoS is mapped onto a priority level with the help of the packet lifetime (set by an application)
    - if packet lifetime = 0 it makes no sense to forward the packet to the receiver any longer
    - standard start value 500ms, maximum 16000ms
    - if a terminal cannot send the packet due to its current priority, waiting time is permanently subtracted from lifetime
    - based on packet lifetime, waiting time in a sender and number of hops to the receiver, the packet is assigned to one out of five priorities
    - the priority of waiting packets, therefore, rises automatically

## HIPERLAN 1 EY-NPMA

- EY-NPMA (Elimination Yield Non-preemptive Priority Multiple Access)
  - 3 phases: priority resolution, contention resolution, transmission
  - finding the highest priority
    - every priority corresponds to a time-slot to send in the first phase, the higher the priority the earlier the time-slot to send
    - higher priorities can not be preempted
    - if an earlier time-slot for a higher priority remains empty, stations with the next lower priority might send
    - after this first phase the highest current priority has been determined



## HIPERLAN 1 EY-NPMA

- Several terminals can now have the same priority and wish to send
  - contention phase
    - Elimination Burst: all remaining terminals send a burst to eliminate contenders (11111010100010011100000110010110, high bit- rate)
    - Elimination Survival Verification: contenders now sense the channel, if the channel is free they can continue, otherwise they have been eliminated
    - Yield Listening: contenders again listen in slots with a nonzero probability, if the terminal senses its slot idle it is free to transmit at the end of the contention phase
    - the important part is now to set the parameters for burst duration and channel sensing (slot-based, exponentially distributed)
  - data transmission
    - the winner can now send its data (however, a small chance of collision remains)
    - if the channel was idle for a longer time (min. for a duration of 1700 bit) a terminal can send at once without using EY-NPMA
  - synchronization using the last data transmission



## HIPERLAN 1 MAC Layer

- Compatible to ISO MAC
- Supports time-bounded services via a priority scheme
- Packet forwarding
  - support of directed (point-to-point) forwarding and broadcast forwarding (if no path information is available)
  - support of QoS while forwarding
- Encryption mechanisms
  - mechanisms integrated, but without key management
- Power conservation mechanisms
  - mobile terminals can agree upon awake patterns (e.g., periodic wake-ups to receive data)
  - additionally, some nodes in the networks must be able to buffer data for sleeping terminals and to forward them at the right time (so called stores)



## Information Bases

- Route Information Base (RIB) - how to reach a destination
  - [destination, next hop, distance]
- Neighbor Information Base (NIB) - status of direct neighbors
  - [neighbor, status]
- Hello Information Base (HIB) - status of destination (via next hop)
  - [destination, status, next hop]
- Alias Information Base (AIB) - address of nodes outside the net
  - [original MSAP address, alias MSAP address]
- Source Multipoint Relay Information Base (SMRIB) - current MP status
  - [local multipoint forwarder, multipoint relay set]
- Topology Information Base (TIB) - current HIPERLAN topology
  - [destination, forwarder, sequence]
- Duplicate Detection Information Base (DDIB) - remove duplicates
  - [source, sequence]



## Ad-hoc Networks using HIPERLAN 1

