

Project
Service-Dependent Load and Resource Distribution
in Multi-Channel Ad-Hoc Networks
(Bluetooth Scatternets: Scheduling, Formation, Routing, QoS)

DFG SPP 1140

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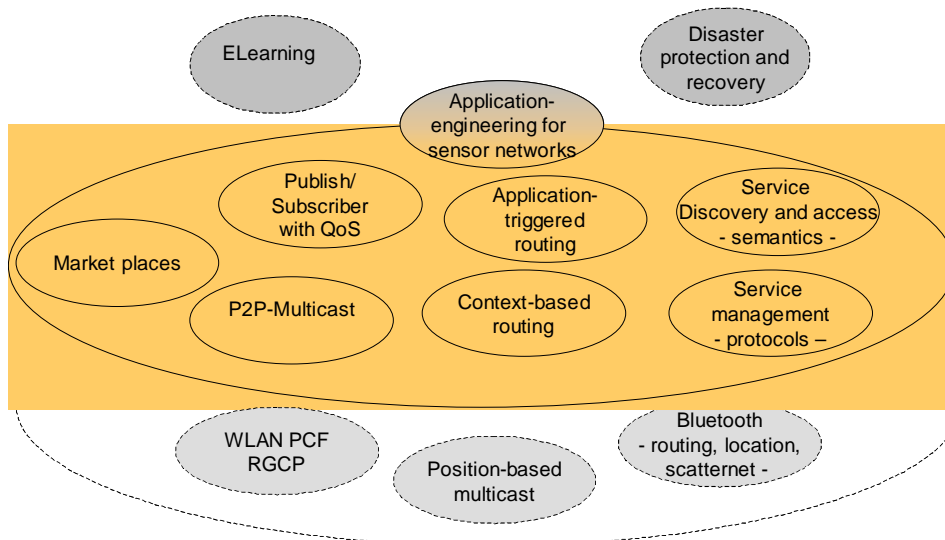
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Multi-Channel Ad-Hoc Networks

● Assumptions

- Multi-channel ad-hoc network (e.g., Bluetooth)
- single transceiver per device: **either** send **or** receive on a **single** channel
- each pair of devices uses its **own channel**

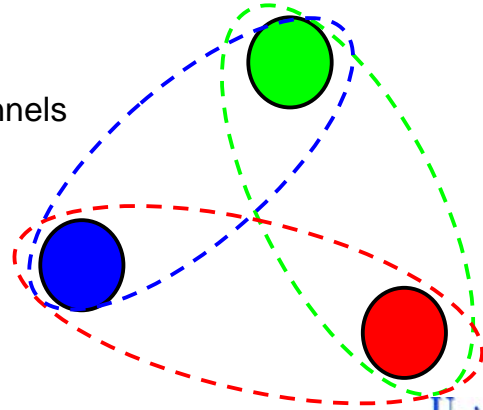
Channels may be separated by different types of multiplexing:
e.g. FDM, TDM, CDM, ...

● Advantages

- Small, simple and inexpensive devices
- Use multiple simultaneously active channels in order to improve overall capacity

● Disadvantages

- Complex coordination
 - Scheduling of links
 - Network formation



Bluetooth “Scatternets”

● MAC: Link Oriented TDMA Scheme

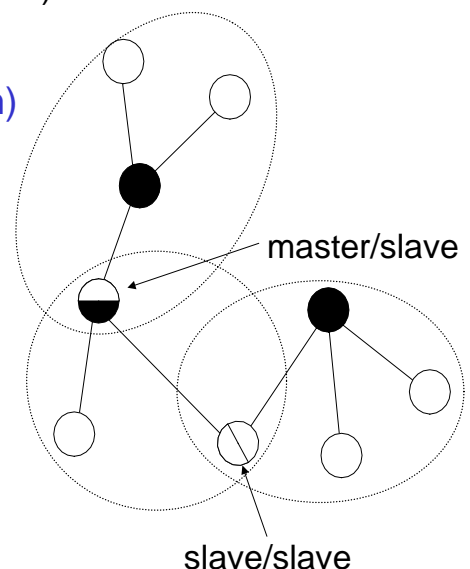
- master: **central role** in star-shaped piconet
- slaves: synchronized with master (up to 7 slaves)
- time division multiplexing (**TDM**)

● FHSS (Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum)

- 79 channels in the 2.4 GHz ISM band
- master defines hop-sequence
- channel multiplexing: **different sequences**

● Scatternets

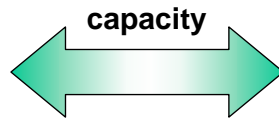
- devices may participate in several piconets on a TDM basis
- devices in several piconets are
 - master in up to one piconet
 - slave in one or multiple piconets



Project outline

Scheduling

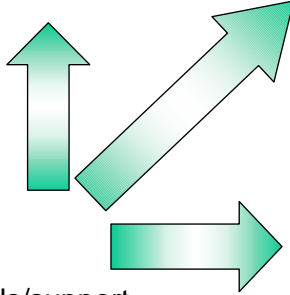
- basic principles
- developed scheduler:
 - optimized for best-effort traffic
 - considers fairness
 - different priorities



Network formation

- properties of different topologies
- self organizing formation/maintenance of networks
- application orientation

Cross-layer task



Quality of Service

- definition of QoS demands/support
- realization of QoS in scheduling, network formation and routing

Routing

- applicability of standard protocols
- design of new protocols and combination with network formation

