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Enabling Wireless Access to Enterprise Data

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Motivation

- Good decisions are driven by information
  - Information integrity
  - Real-time
  - Shifting through various information sources
- Numerous applications require decision-making capabilities
- An increasing number of decisions are made automatically by robots, drones, etc…
  - Due to availability of capable embedded processor technology

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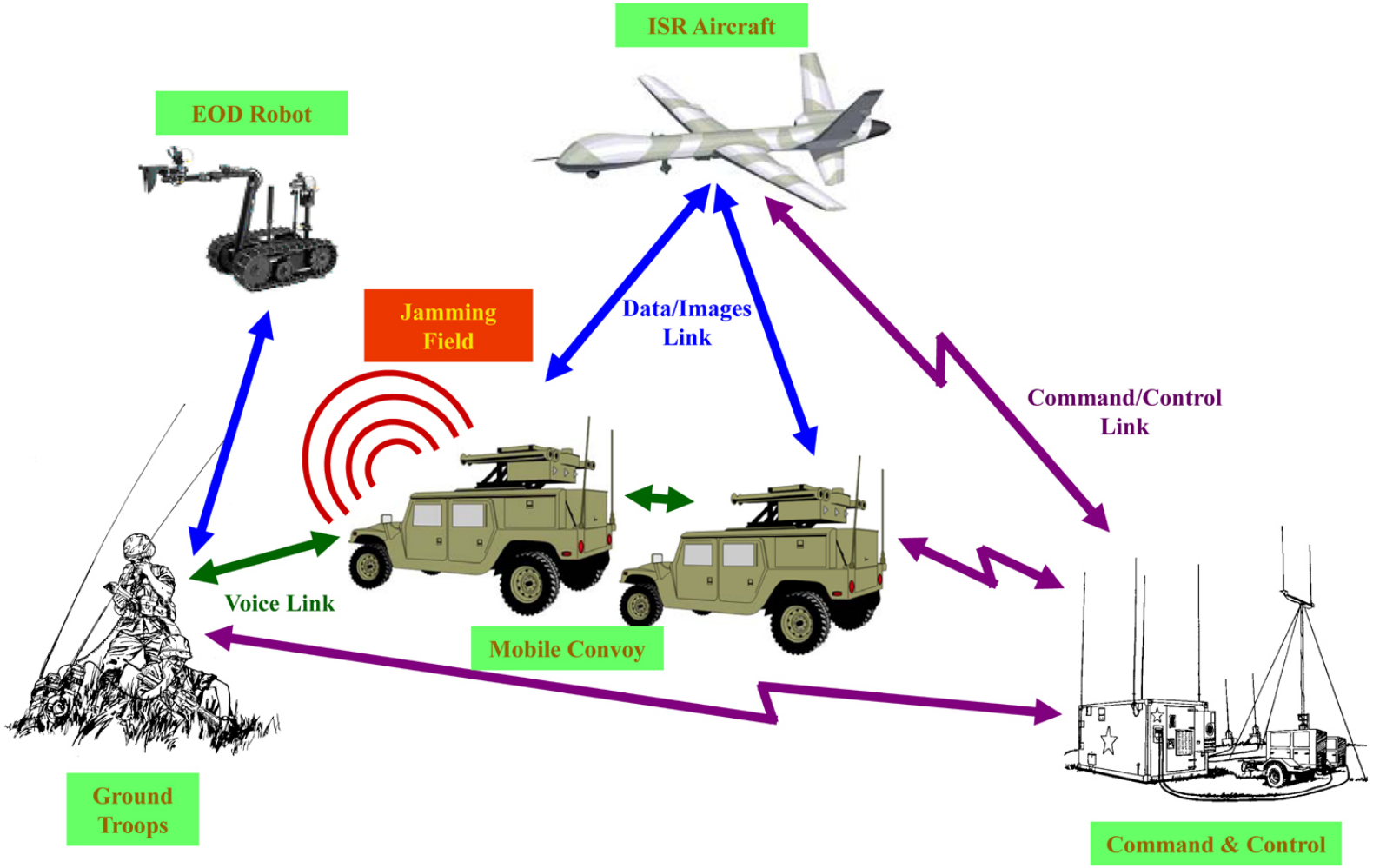
ISR Aircraft
EOD Robot
Jamming Field
Data/Images Link
Command/Control Link
Voice Link
Mobile Convoy
Ground Troops
Command & Control

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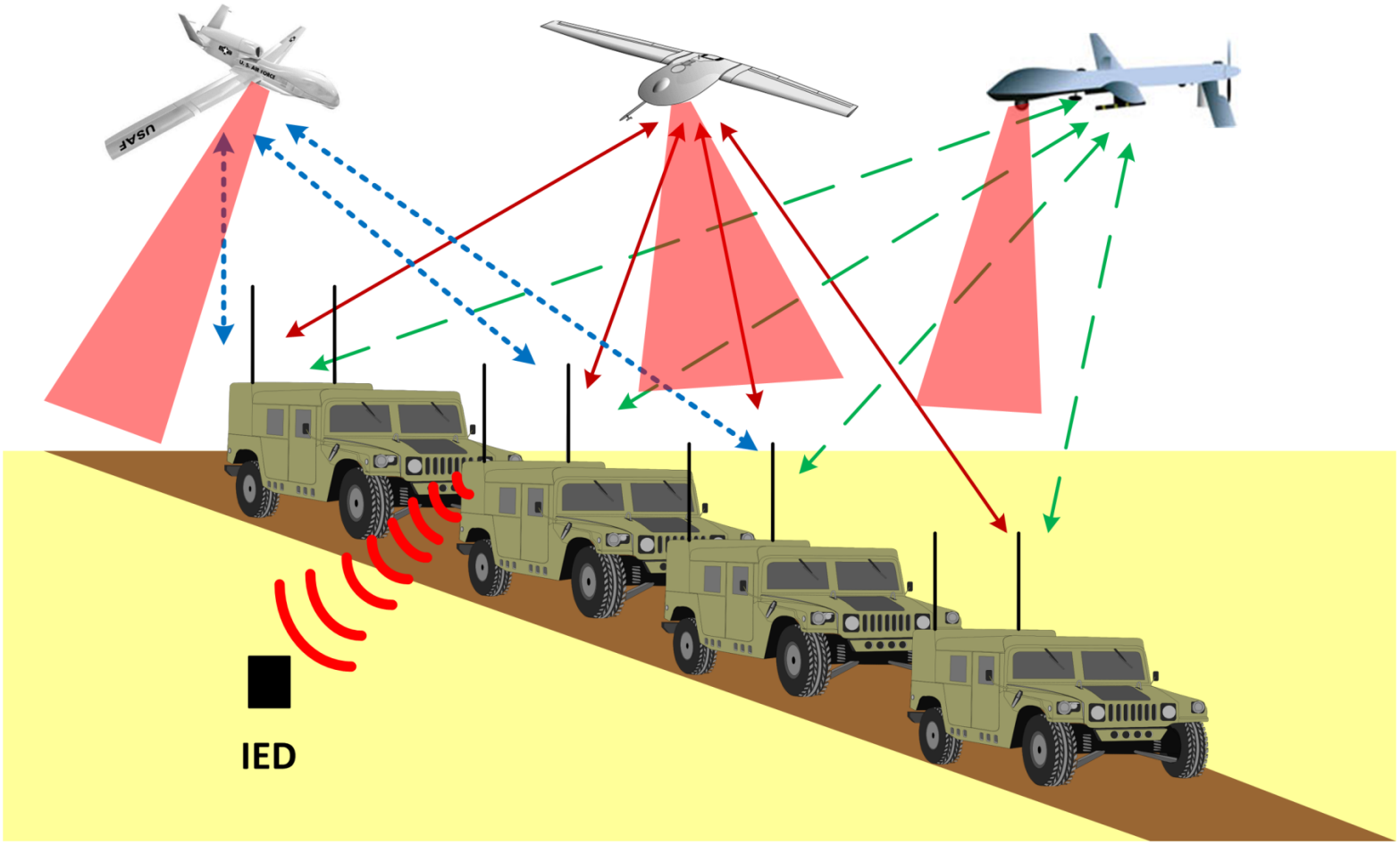
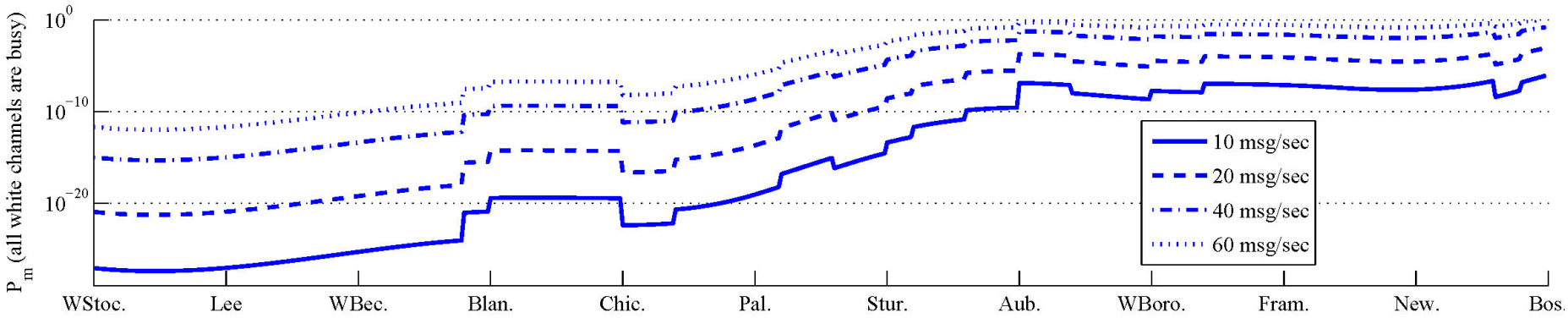


Challenges and Issues

- Sharing of information ***does not*** scale well
  - Architectural considerations
    - Centralized versus distributed
  - Latency issues
    - Impact on real-time operations
  - Supported information
    - Bandwidth considerations
  - Available resources and infrastructure
    - Example: Unoccupied wireless spectrum



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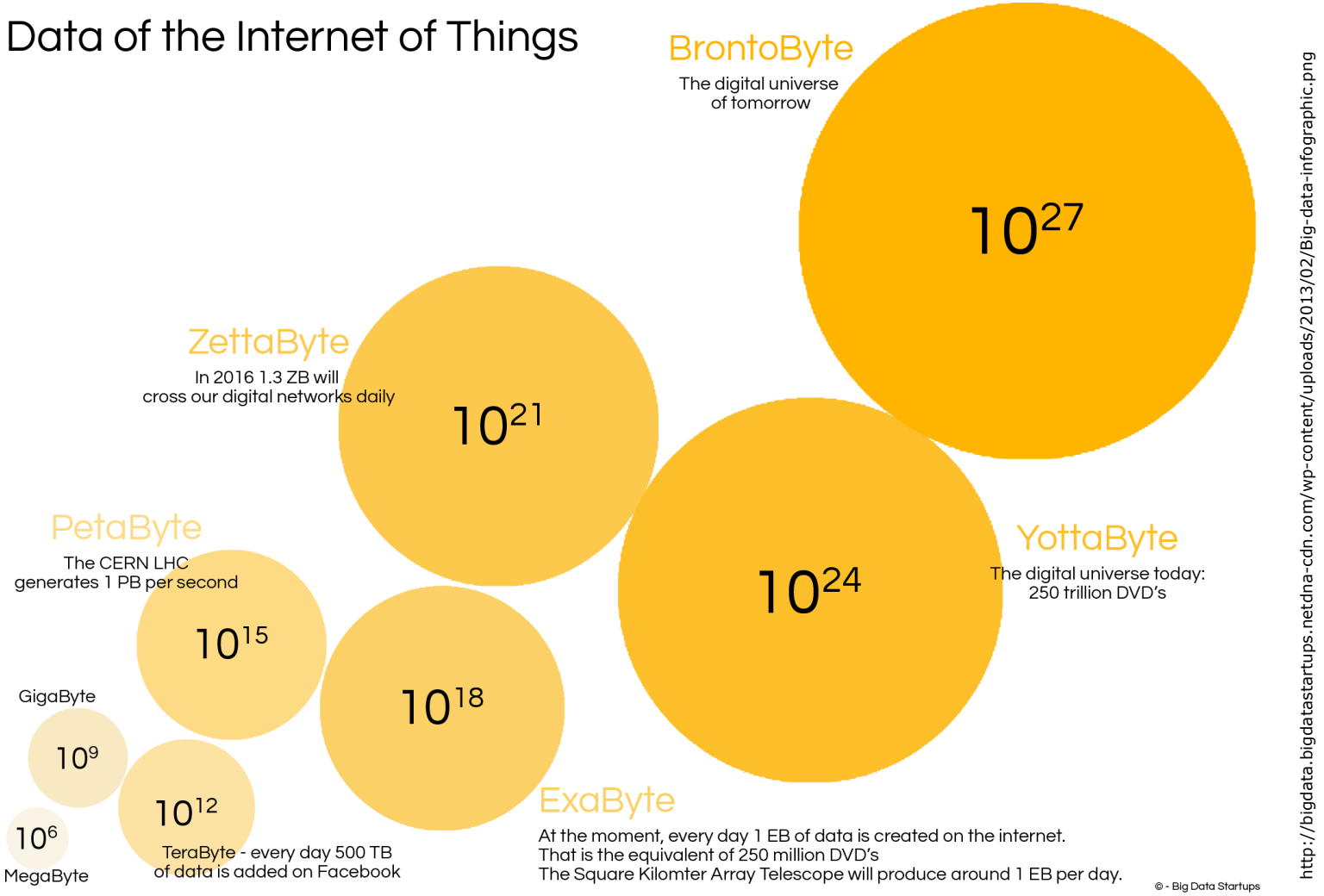


Challenges and Issues

- Increasing dependence on sensor data
  - Various forms of sensor information
    - Video, ultrasonic, LIDAR, sound, infrared, …
  - Local decisions
    - Self-driving vehicles
  - Global decisions
    - Real-time situational awareness of an operation

Cyber Physical and Secure Systems

Embedded Systems

Wireless Access

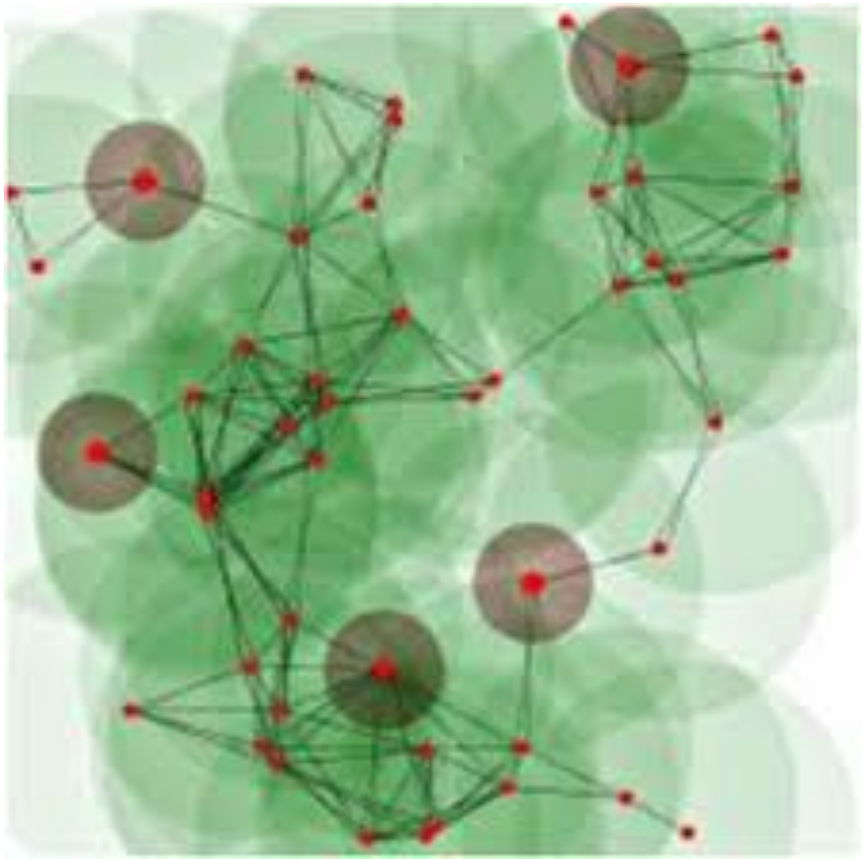
Hardware Security

Network Security

Robotics & Controls

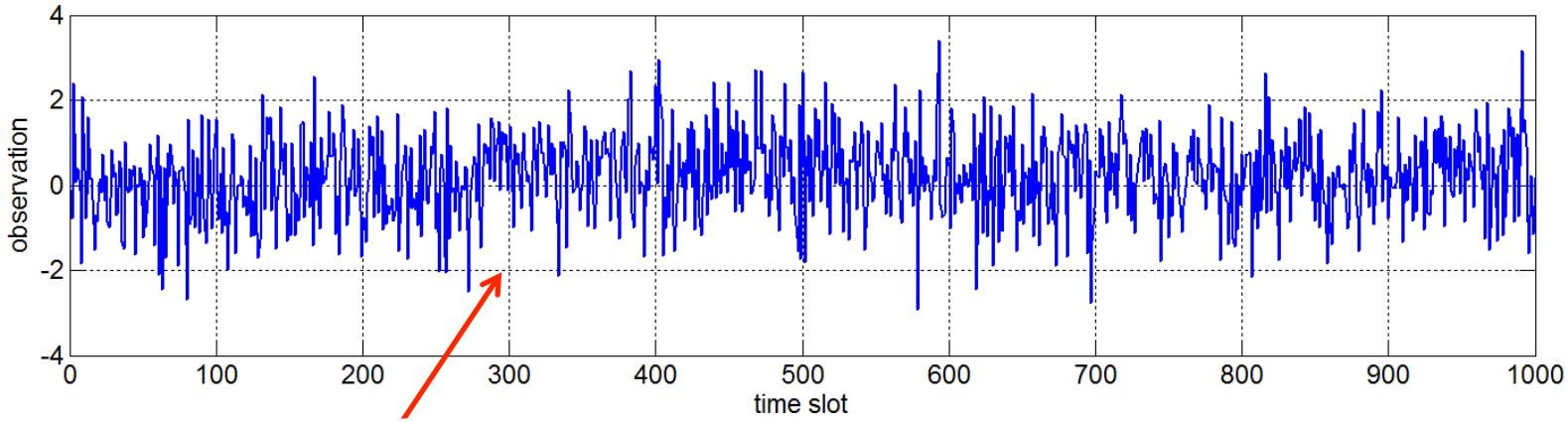
Cyber Physical Systems

Wireless Network Security

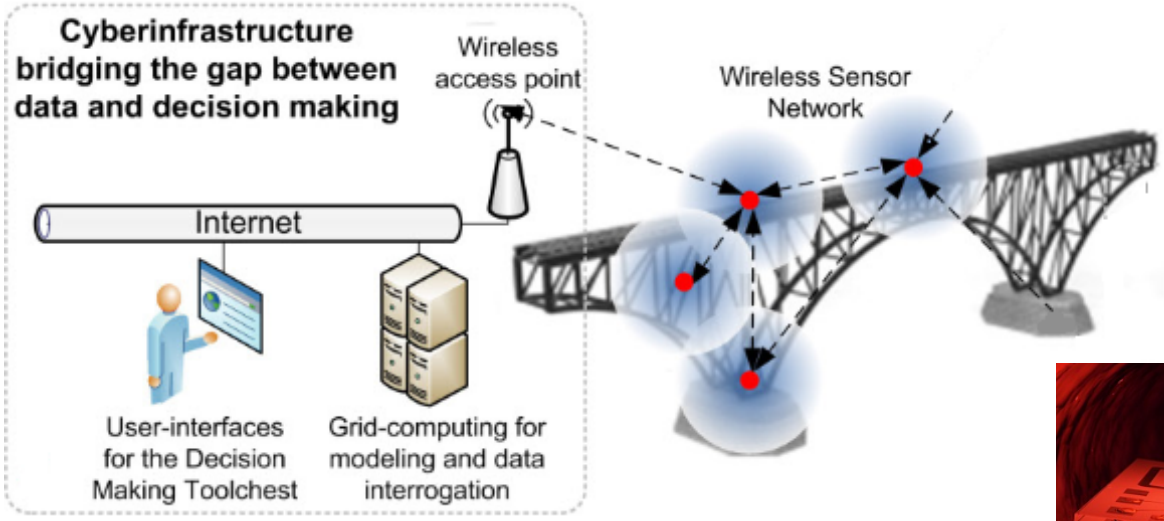


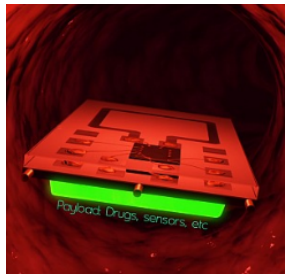
Large scale networks

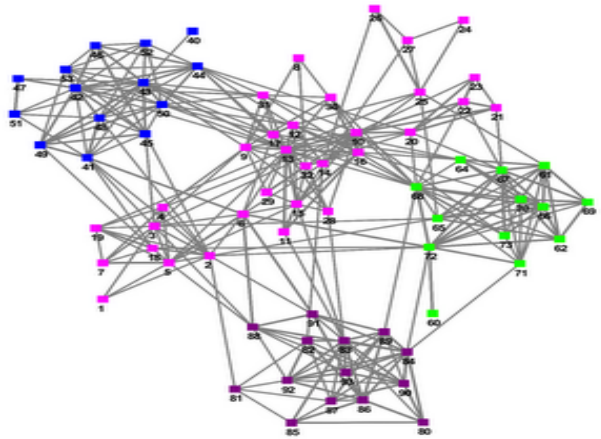
Statistical Signal Processing and Inference



Distributed Change Point Detection





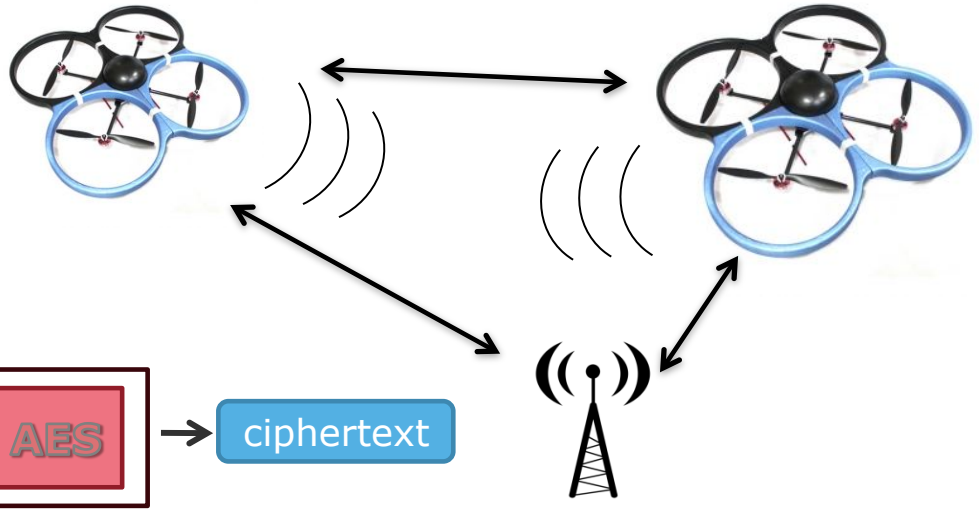


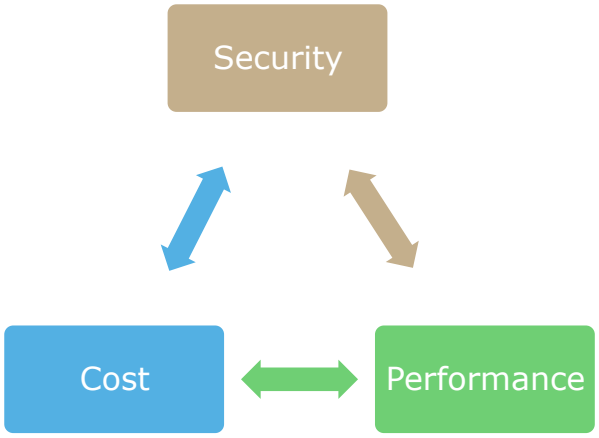
Network attack detection

Embedded Security

Features:

- Entity authentication
- Secure communication
- IP Protection

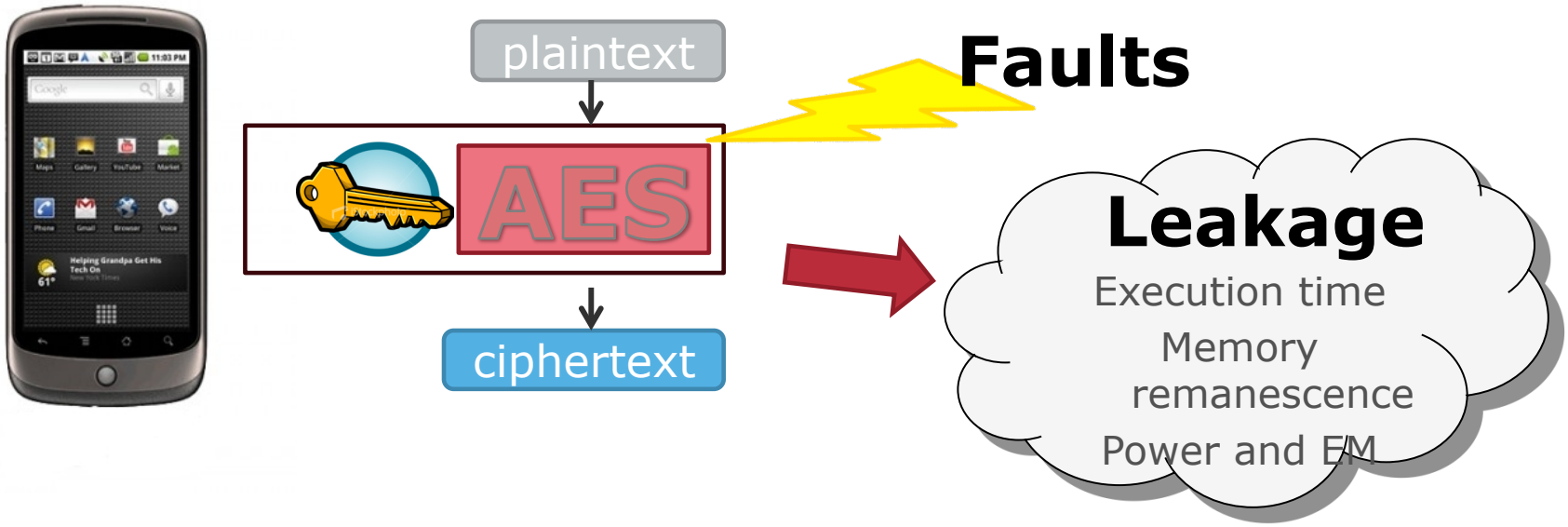




Challenges:

- Costly implementation
- Protocol weaknesses
- Physical attacks

Implementation Attacks



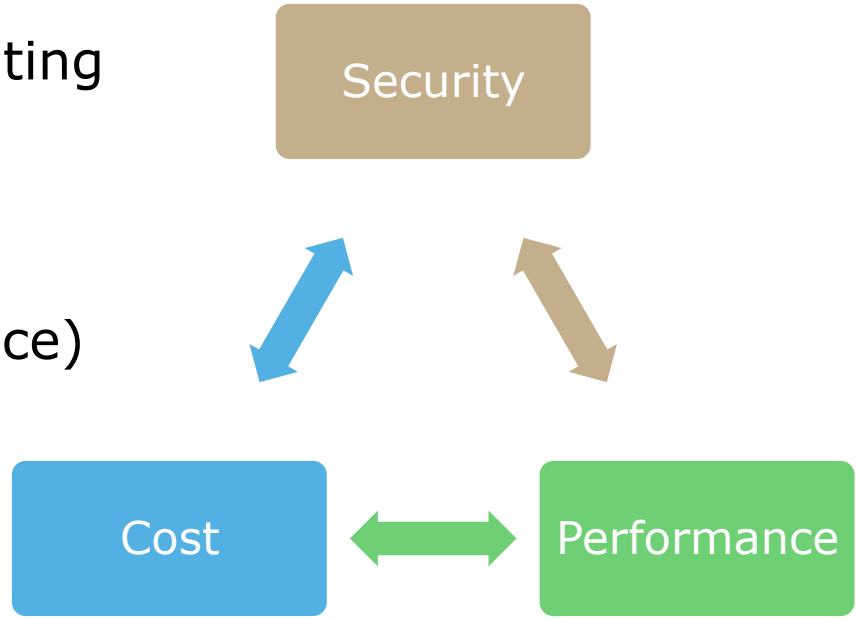
- Critical information leaked through side channels
- Adversary can extract critical secrets (keys etc.)
- Usually require physical access (proximity)

Embedded Crypto Implementations

Challenge: Constrains in computing power, Energy, Memory

Tradeoffs:

- Public vs. secret key crypto (a factor of 1000 in performance)
- Lightweight crypto vs. standard ciphers



Current Research:

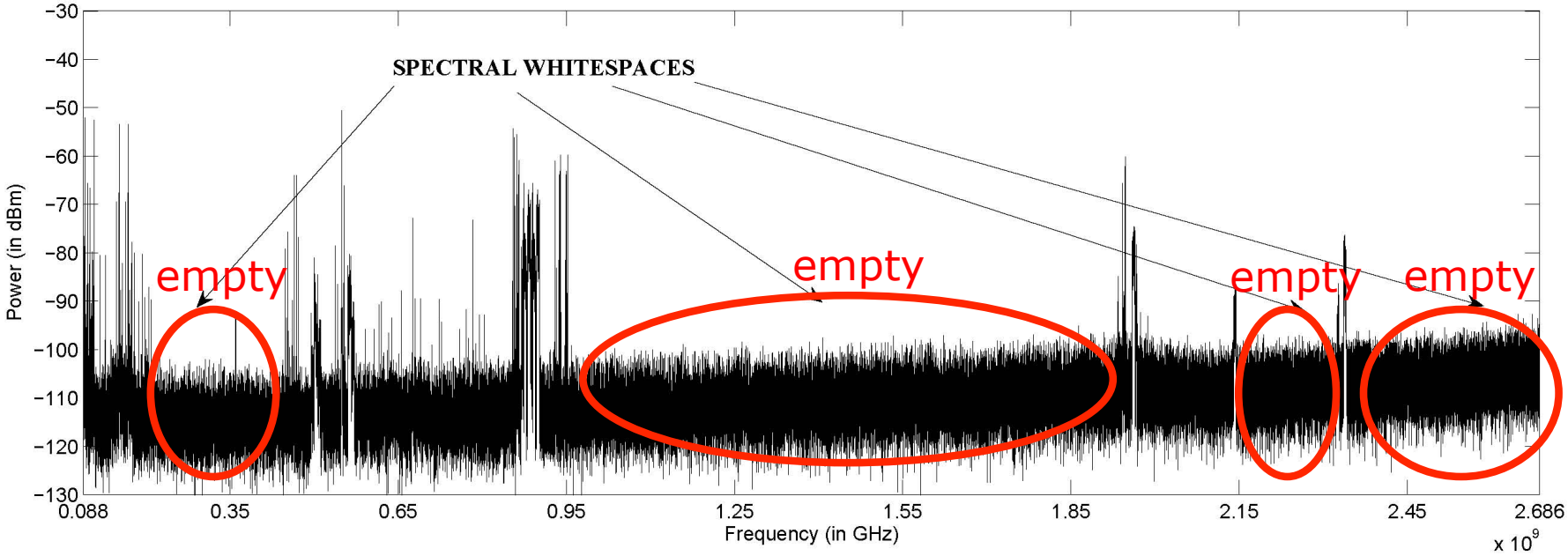
- Alternative crypto schemes → new services
- Lightweight authentication for sensor nodes
- Countermeasures against implementation attacks & tampering

Opportunistic Spectrum Access

- Opportunistic spectrum access (OSA) is a significant paradigm shift in the way wireless spectrum is accessed
  - Instead of PUs possessing exclusive access to licensed spectrum, SUs can temporarily borrow unoccupied frequency bands
  - SUs must respect the incumbent rights of the PUs with respect to their licensed spectrum
- OSA enables greater spectral efficiency and facilitates greater user and bandwidth capacity

OSA Motivation

- The utilization efficiency of "prime" wireless spectrum has been shown to be poor



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Leveraging the Electrospace

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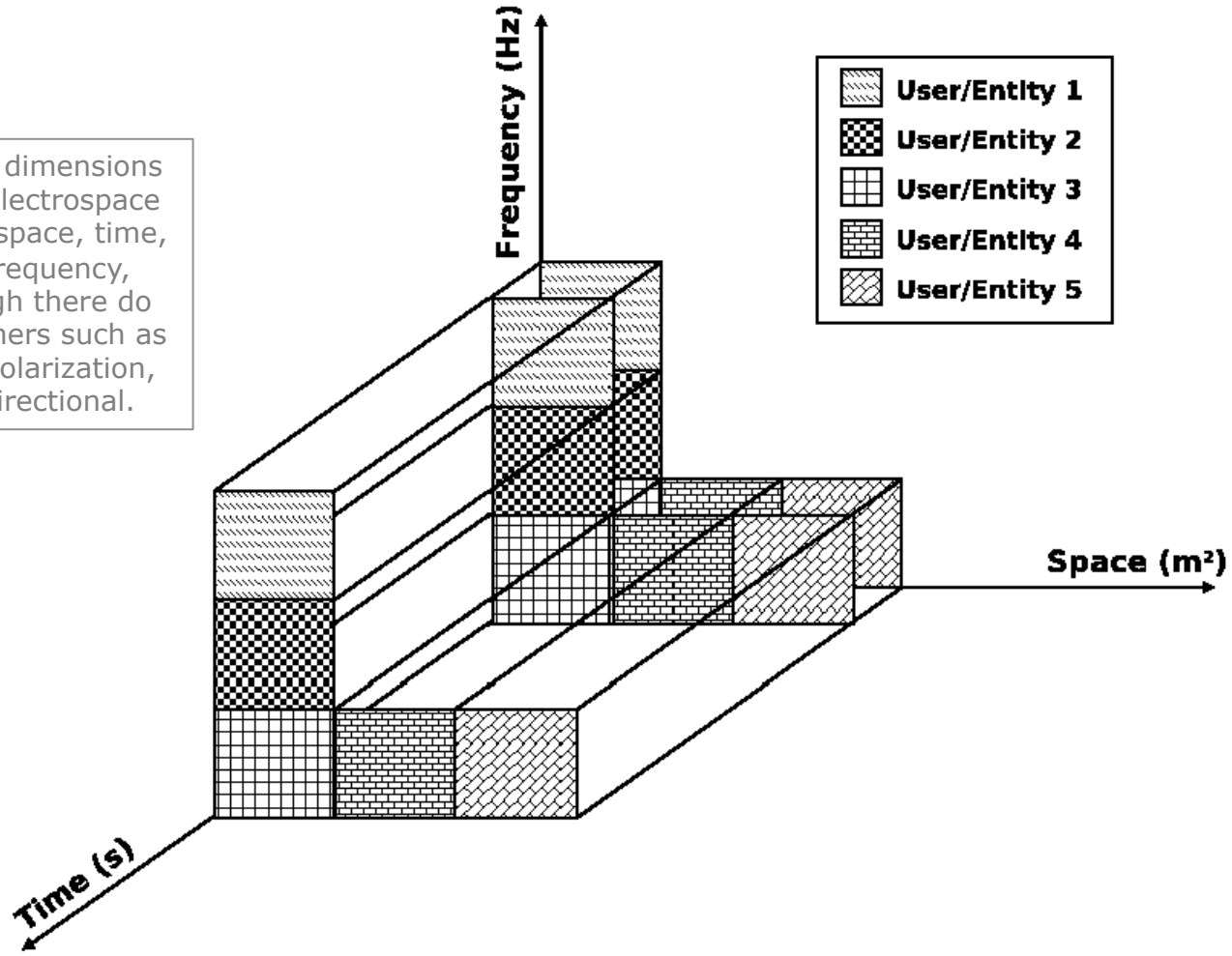

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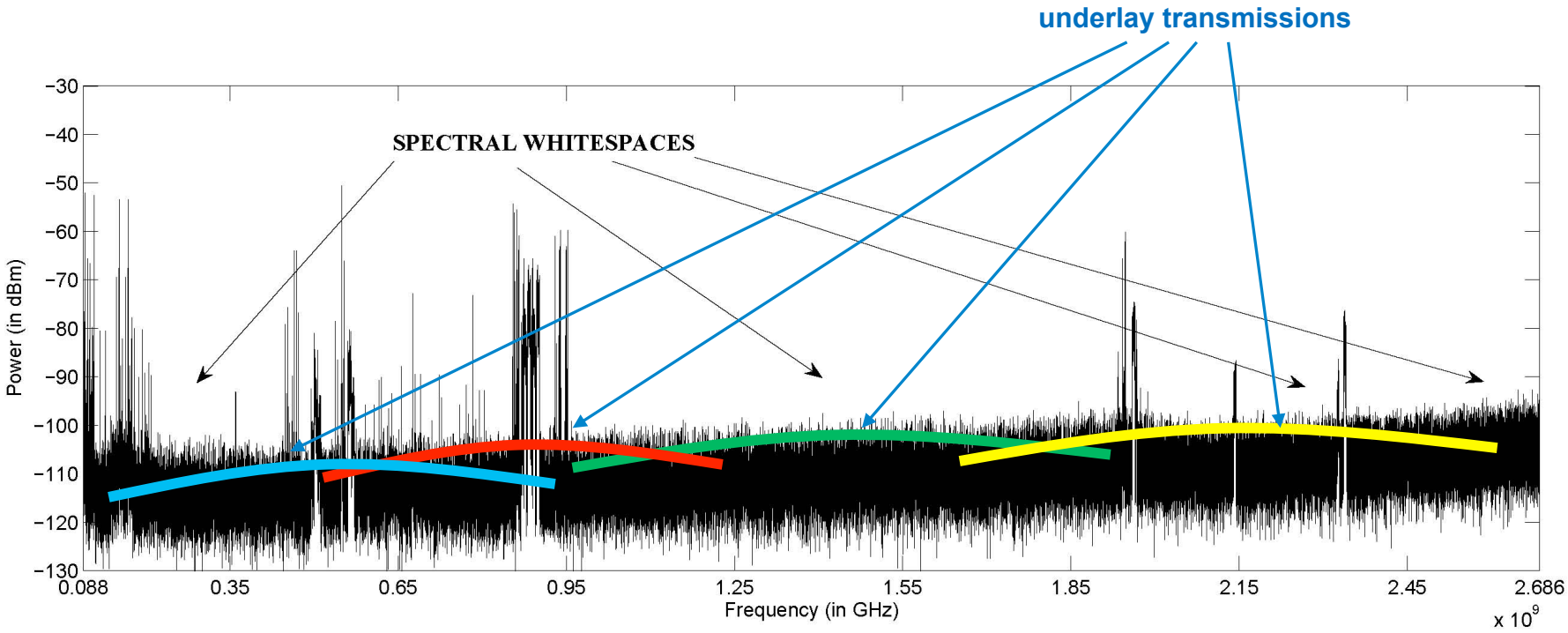

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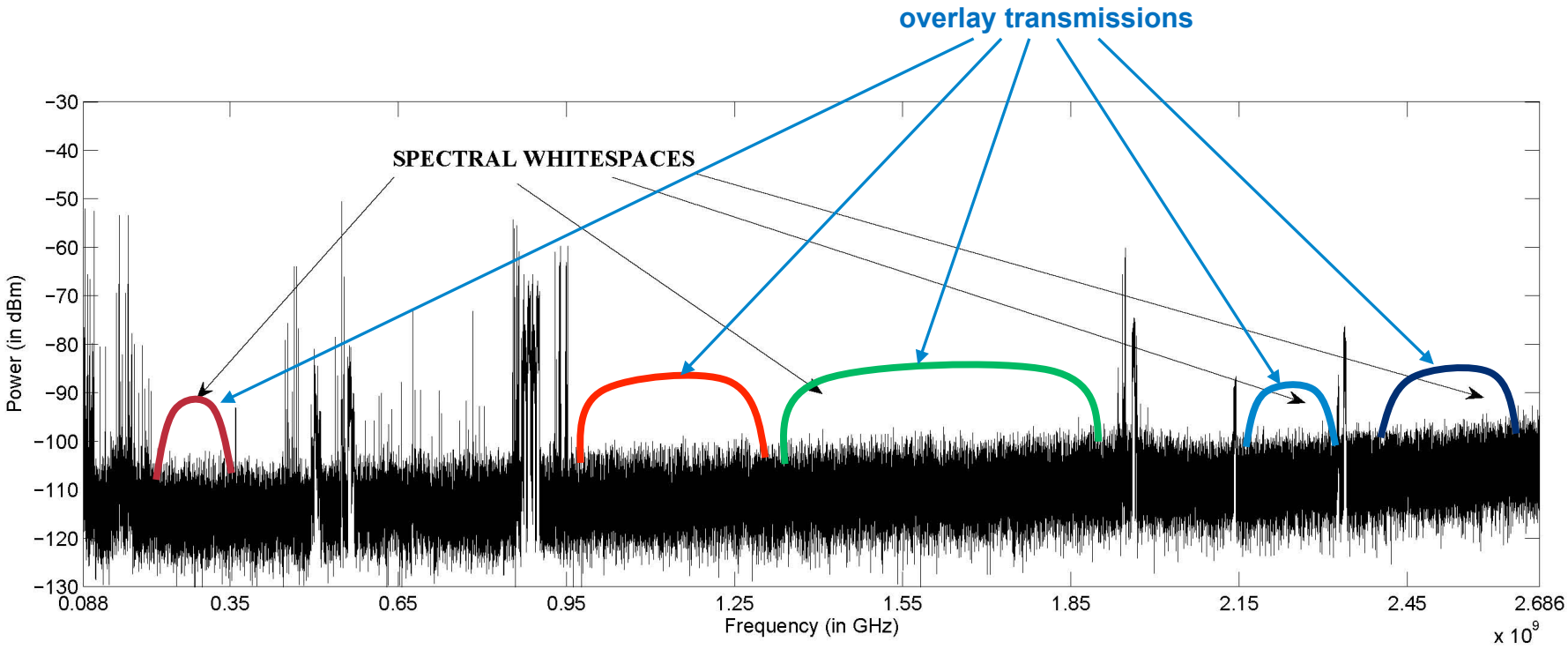

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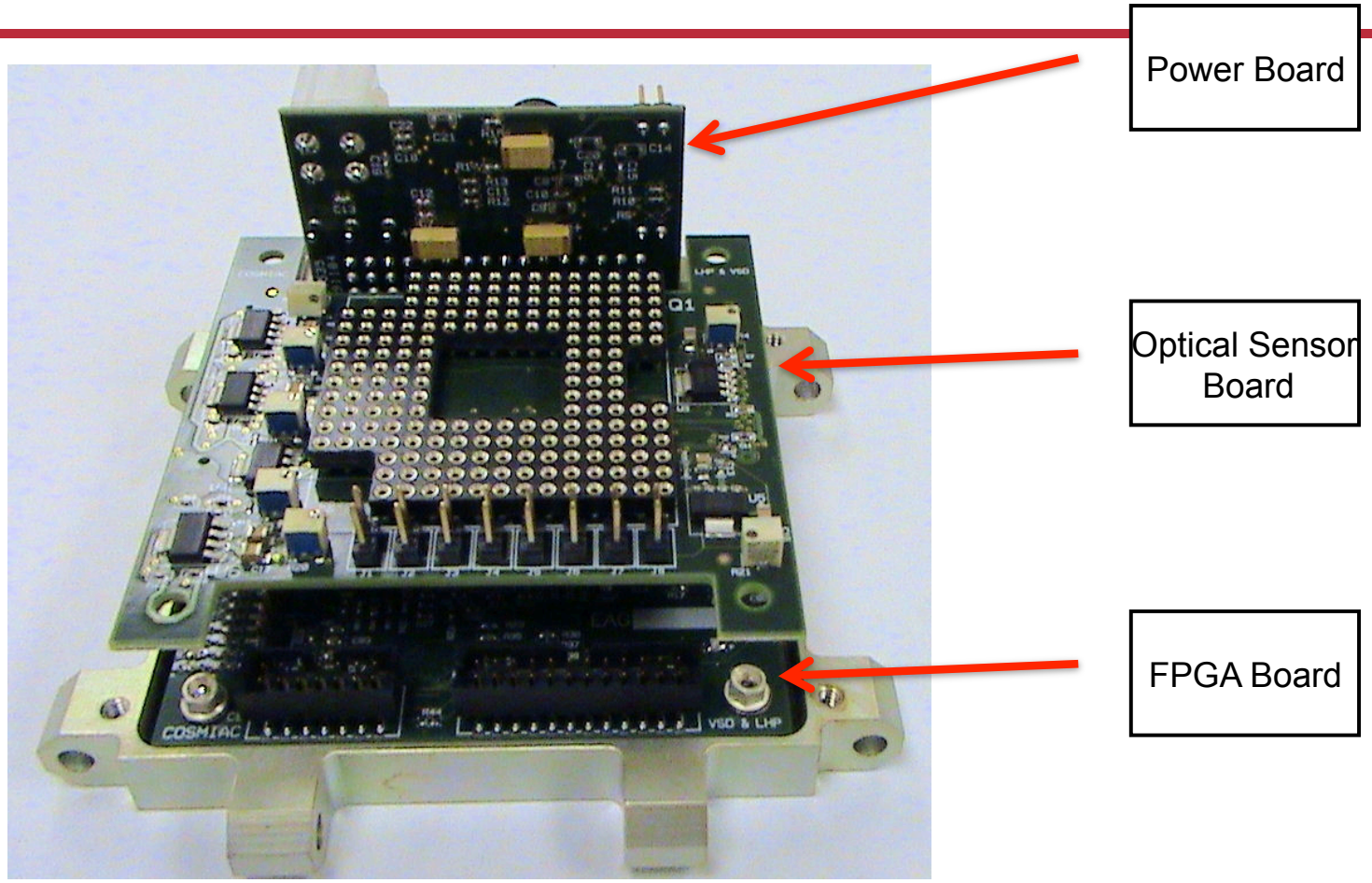
Software Defined Radio

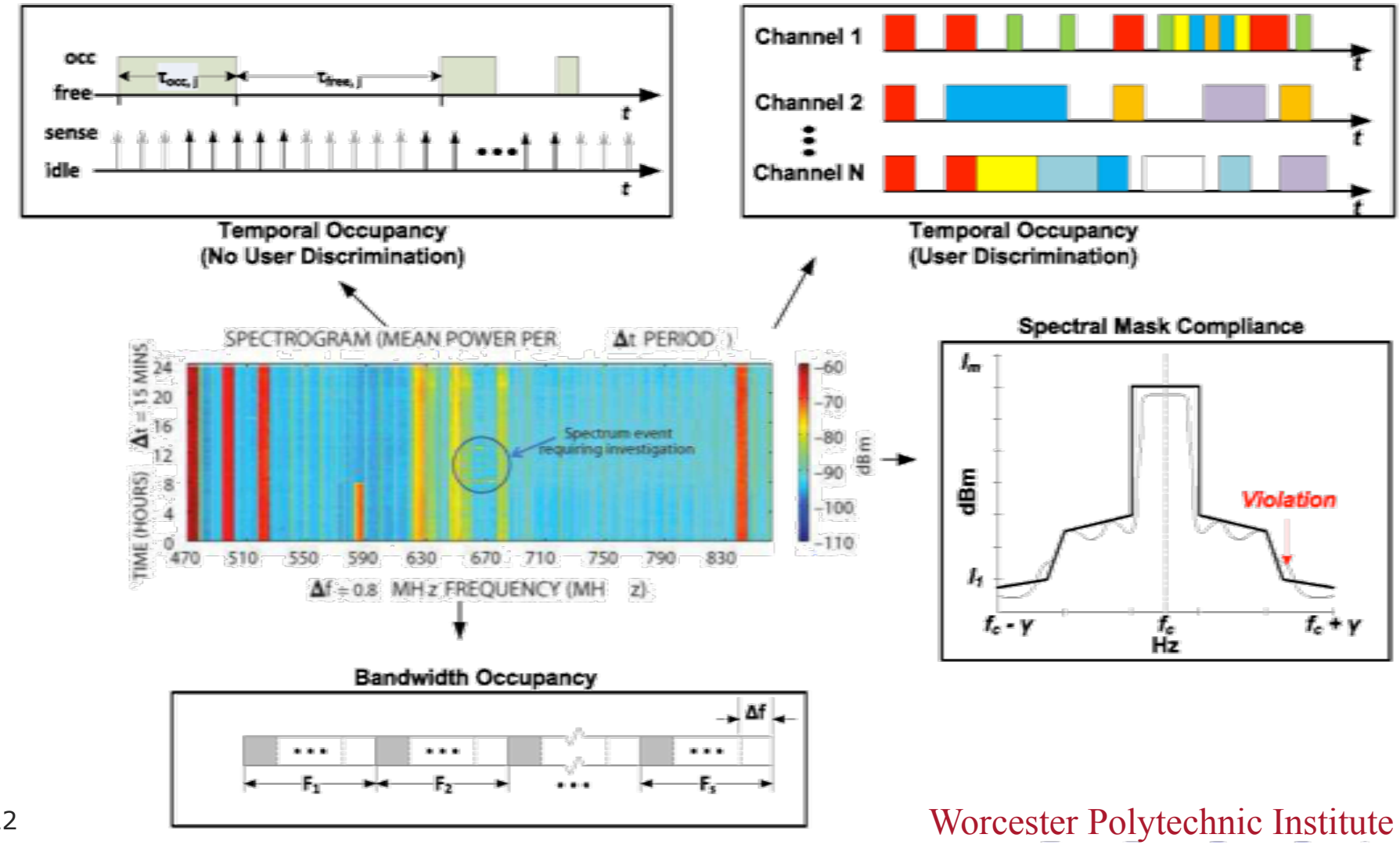


COSMIAC CubeSat FPGA Board with Sensor and Power Daughtercards
(no RF daughtercards are present in this photo)

Current state of the art

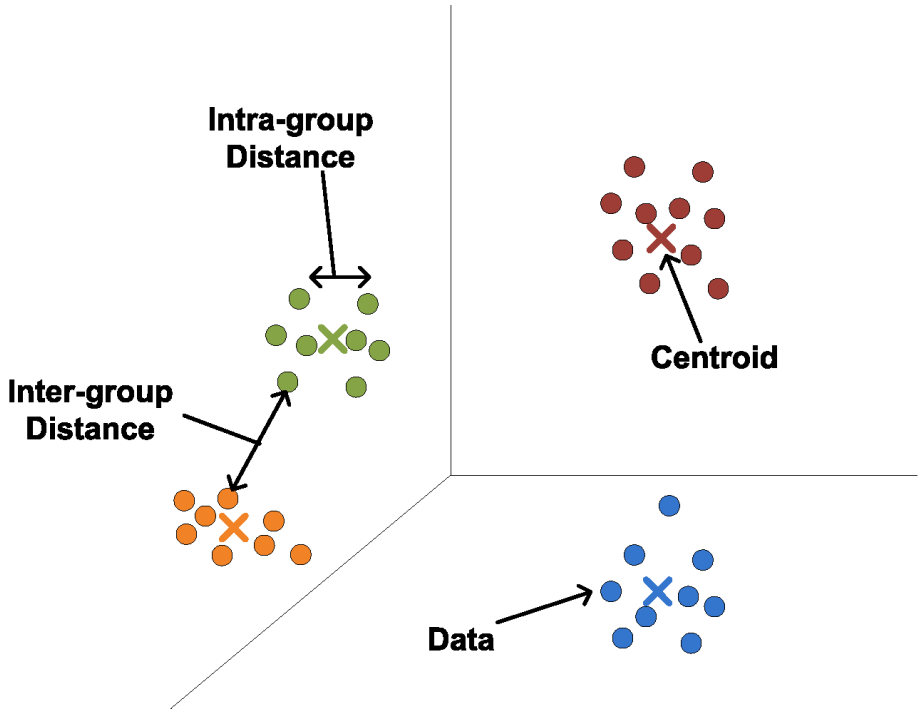
RFEye Spectrum Monitoring Solution

Probabilistic model

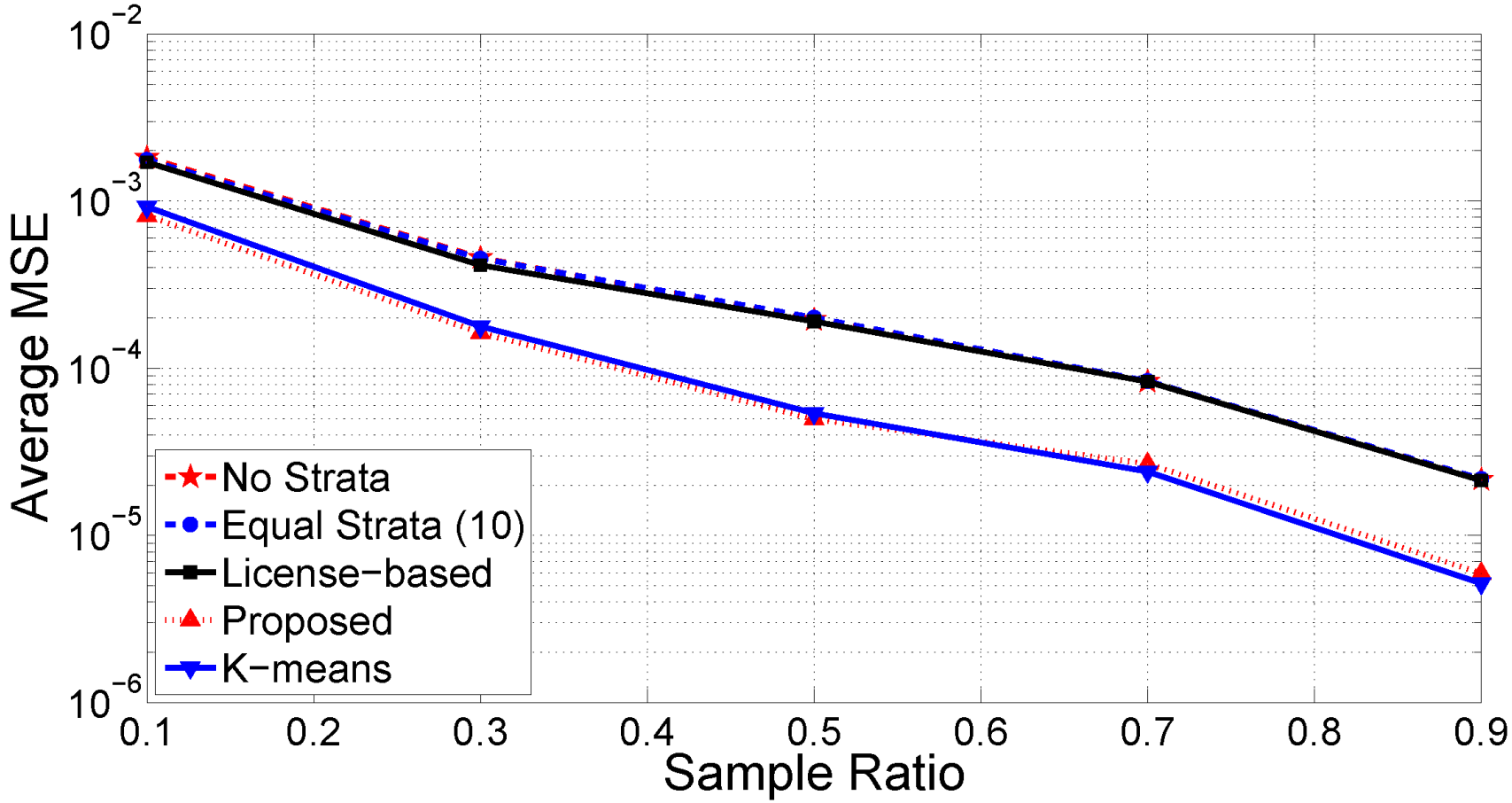


Random sampling concept

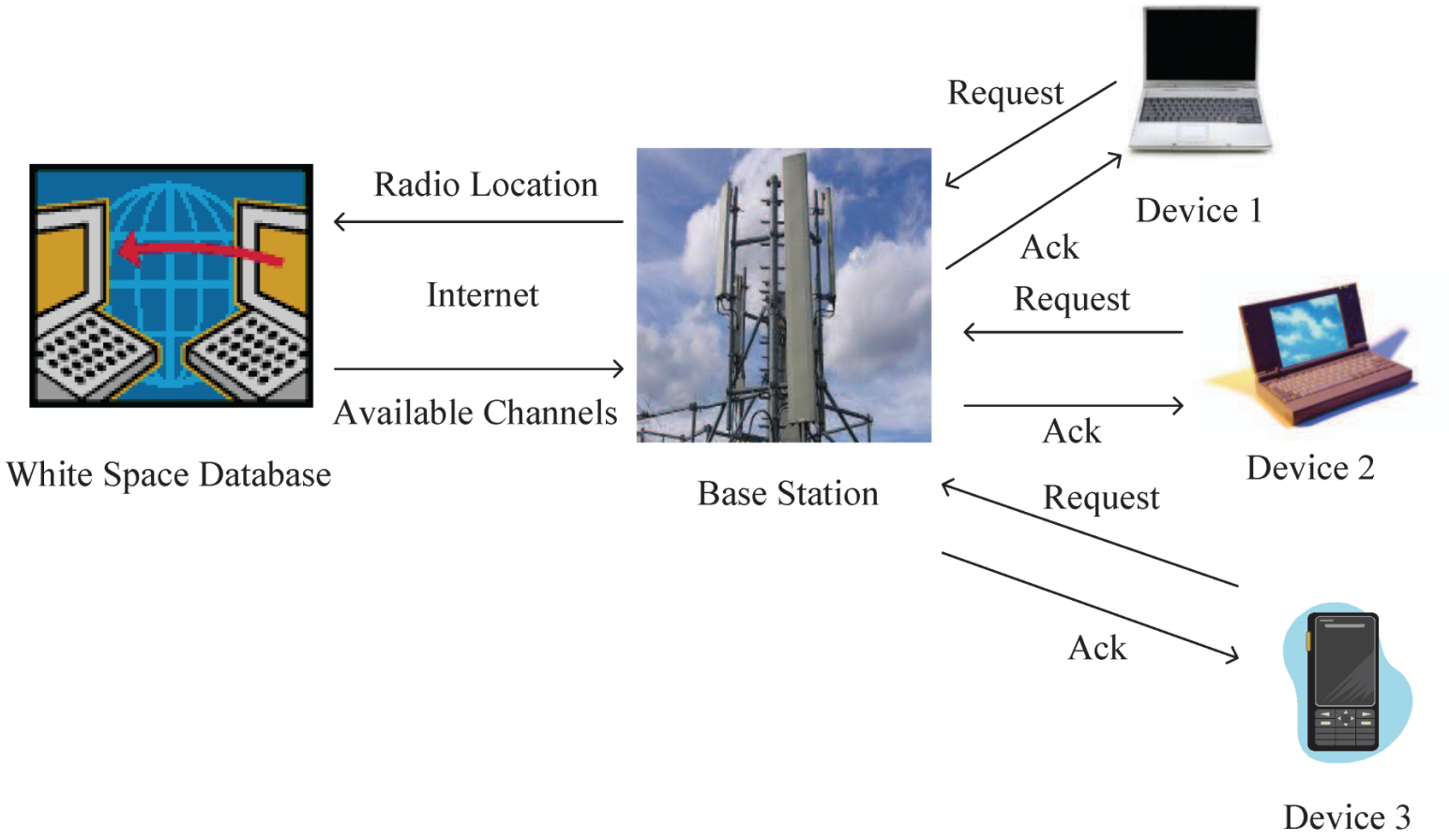
- Random sampling facilitates statistical characterization
- Random sampling designs
  - Systematic, SRS, stratified, cluster,...
- Data grouping and sample allocation are crucial to effective characterization
- Benefits
  - Dimensionality reduction, summarization, estimator variance reduction, sampling bias reduction



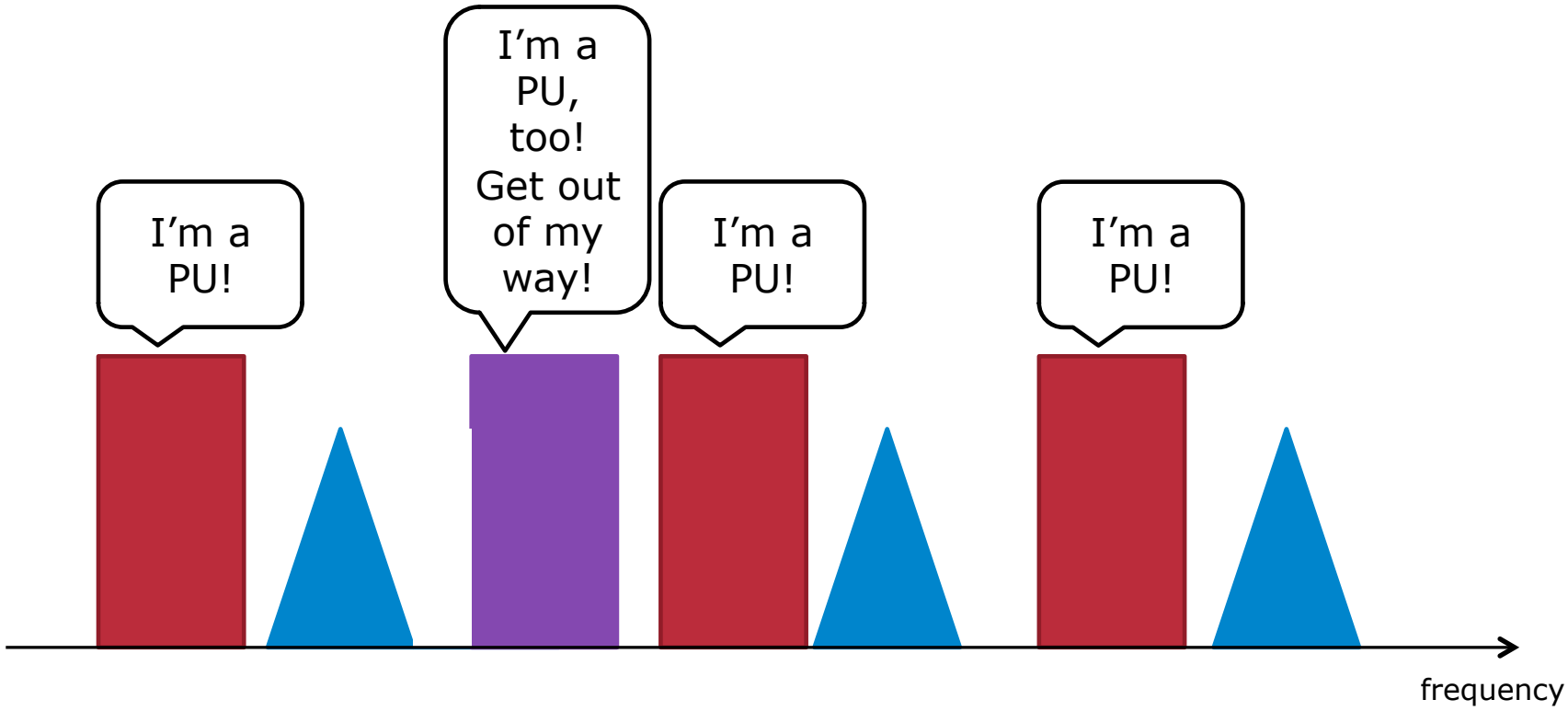
Results


Average MSE
10^{-2}
10^{-3}
10^{-4}
10^{-5}
10^{-6}
0.1
0.2
0.3
0.4
0.5
0.6
0.7
0.8
0.9
Sample Ratio
No Strata
Equal Strata (10)
License−based
Proposed
K−means

How is secondary wireless access currently managed?



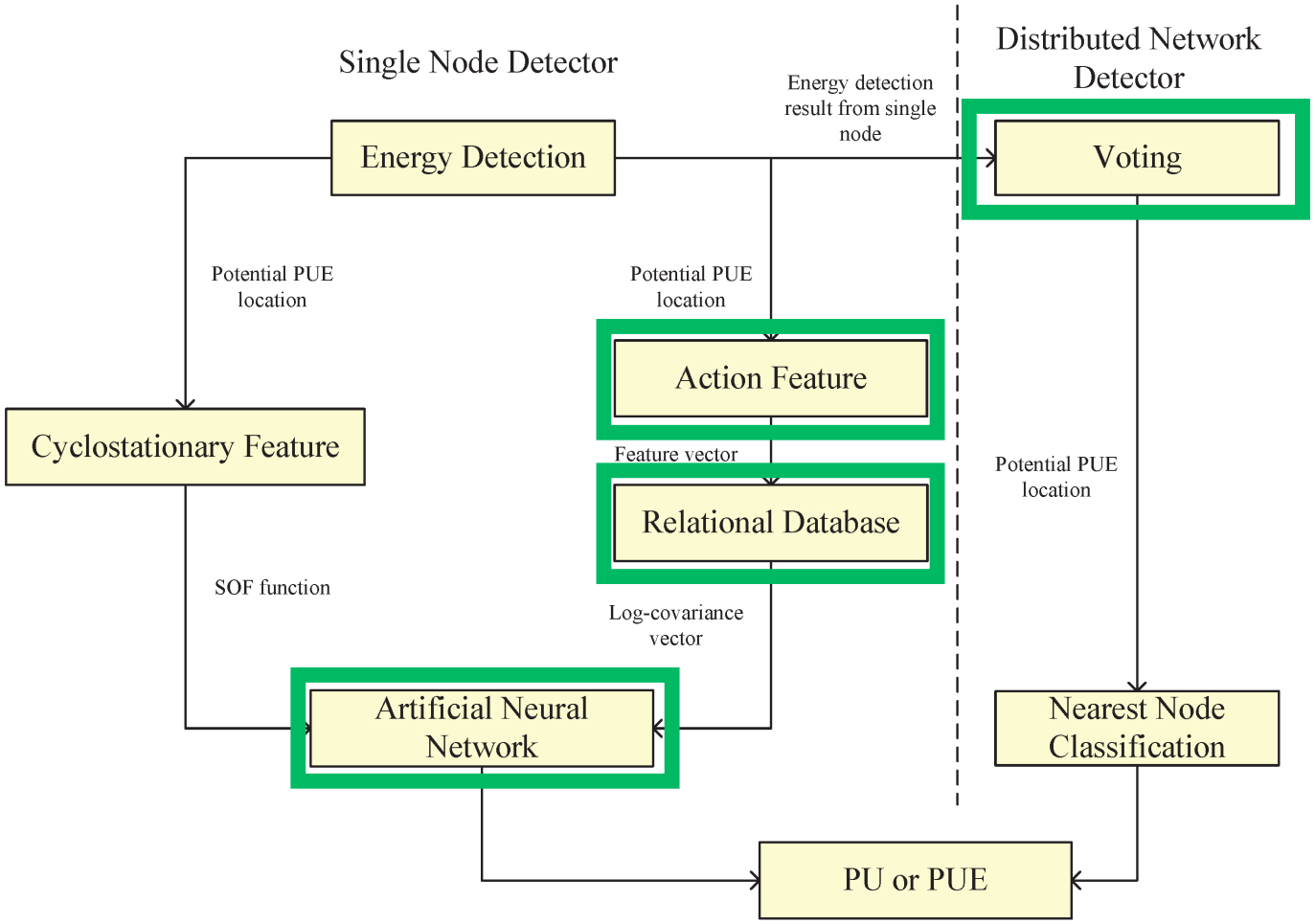
Potential vulnerability



Existing techniques

- Energy Detection
  - Possess a significant probability of missed detection
- Localization-based Detection
  - Can only be employed for stationary primary transmitters with known coordinates
- Analytical Model-based Detection
  - Only works well for a specific network model
- Signature-based Detection
  - Require special hardware or software

Proposed approach



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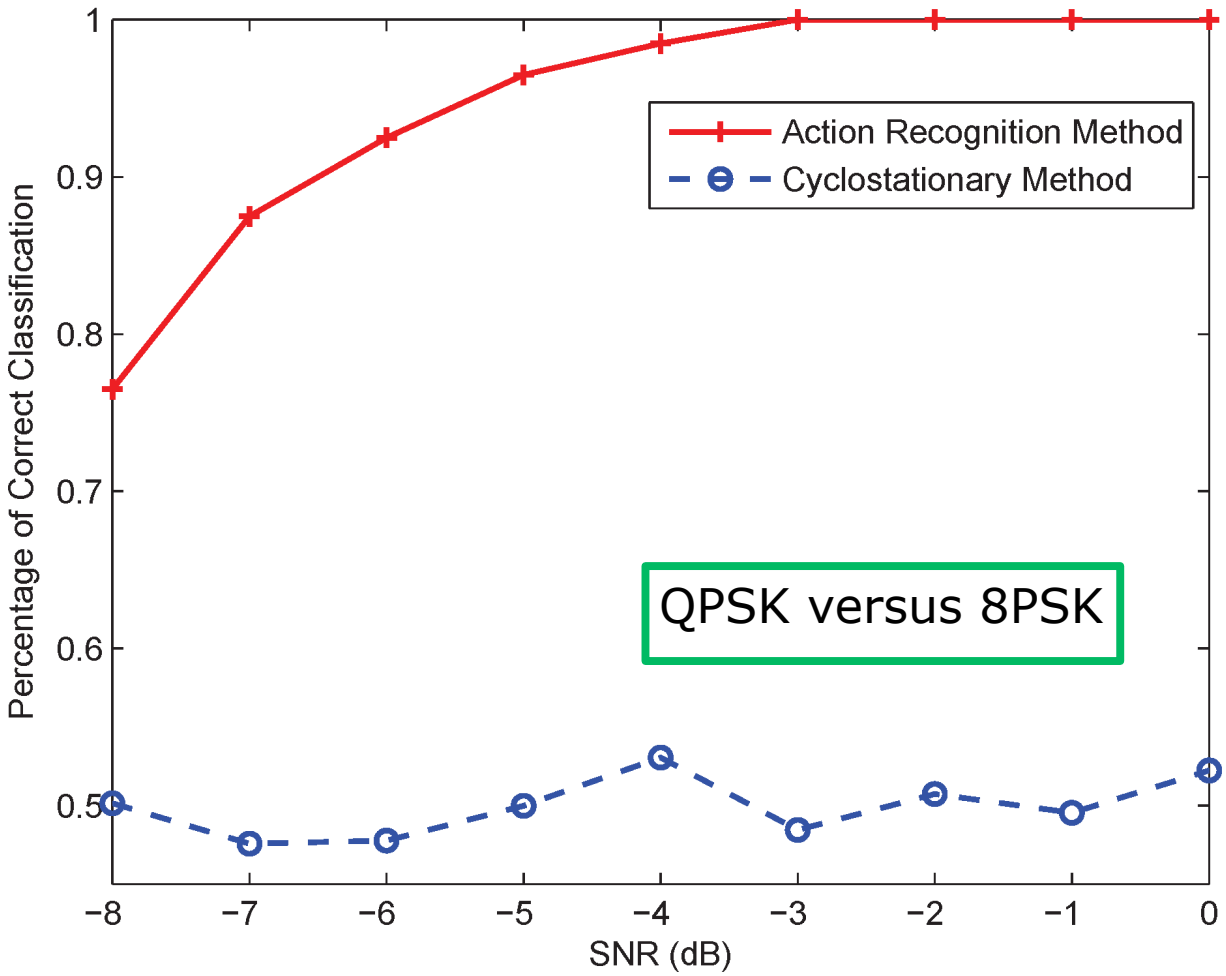
Action Recognition Method
Cyclostationary Method
QPSK versus 8PSK
Percentage of Correct Classification
SNR (dB)
1
0.9
0.8
0.7
0.6
0.5
−8
−7
−6
−5
−4
−3
−2
−1
0

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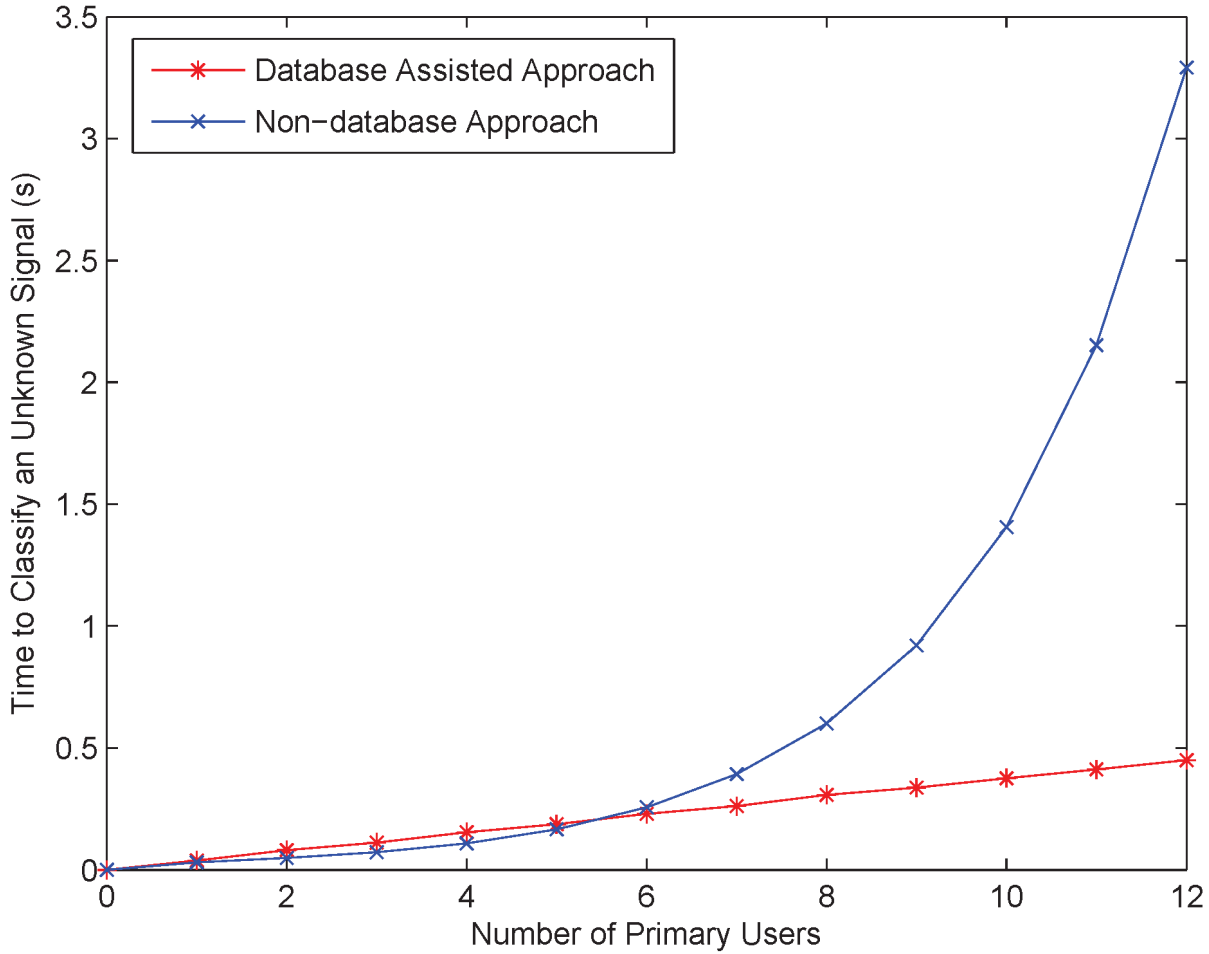
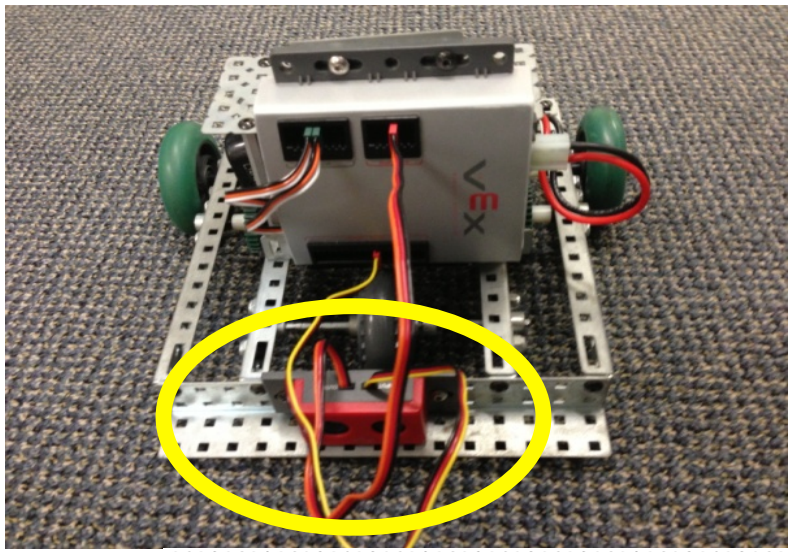
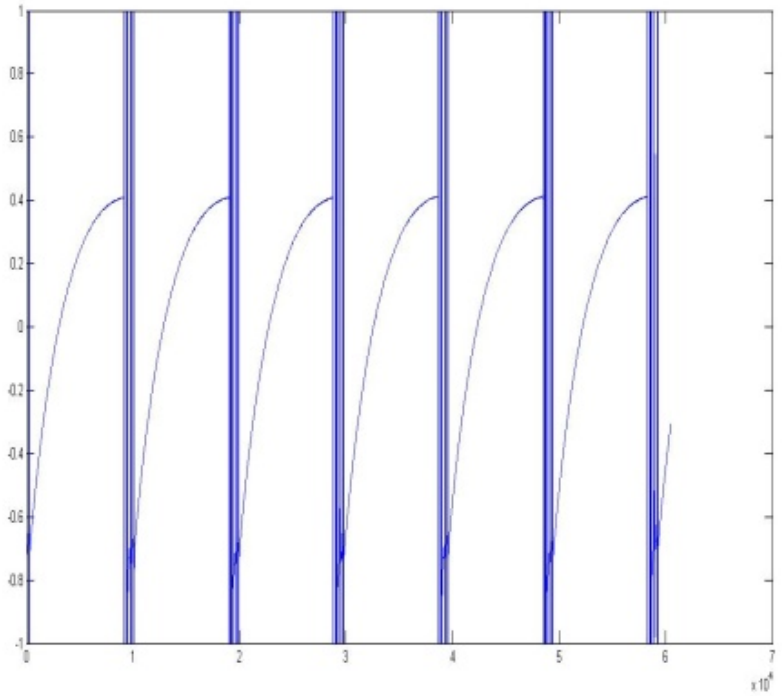
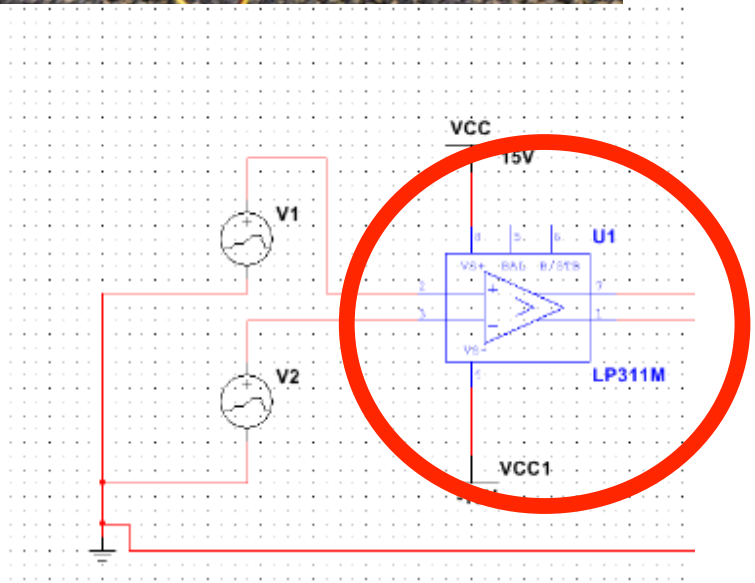

Database Assisted Approach
Non−database Approach
Time to Classify an Unknown Signal (s)
Number of Primary Users
0
0.5
1
1.5
2
2.5
3
3.5
0
2
4
6
8
10
12

Sensor Attacks





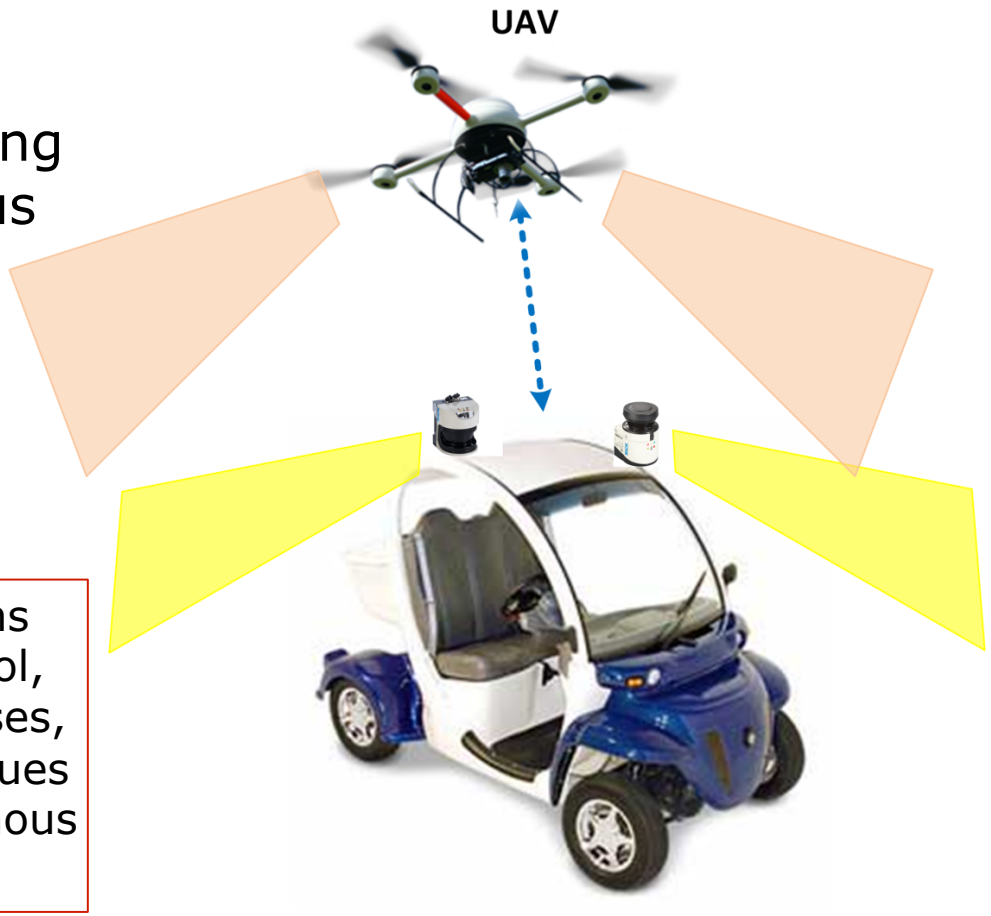


SAVES: Secure Autonomous Vehicle Embedded Computing and Sensing

- Full project plan invited for submission via NATO SPS programme
- Collaborators from Georgian Technical University and Ss. Cyril and Methodius University
- Three year project

Collaboratively Navigating Autonomous Systems

A 5-student MQP team focusing on collaborative autonomous vehicle networks



Combining wireless communications and networking, autonomous control, data fusion, decision making processes, image processing, and other techniques to form a simple network of autonomous vehicles that cooperate together.

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