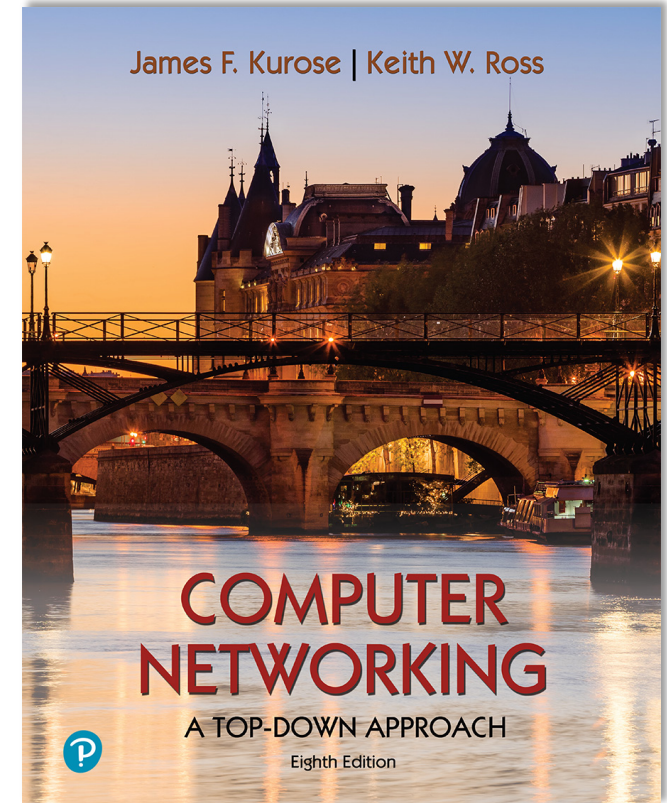# Chapter 7
Wireless and Mobile Networks

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Wireless and Mobile Networks: context

- more wireless (mobile) phone subscribers than fixed (wired) phone subscribers (10-to-1 in 2019)!

- more mobile-broadband-connected devices than fixed-broadband-connected devices devices (5-1 in 2019)!
  - 4G/5G cellular networks now embracing Internet protocol stack, including SDN

- two important (but different) challenges
  - wireless: communication over wireless link
  - mobility: handling the mobile user who changes point of attachment to network
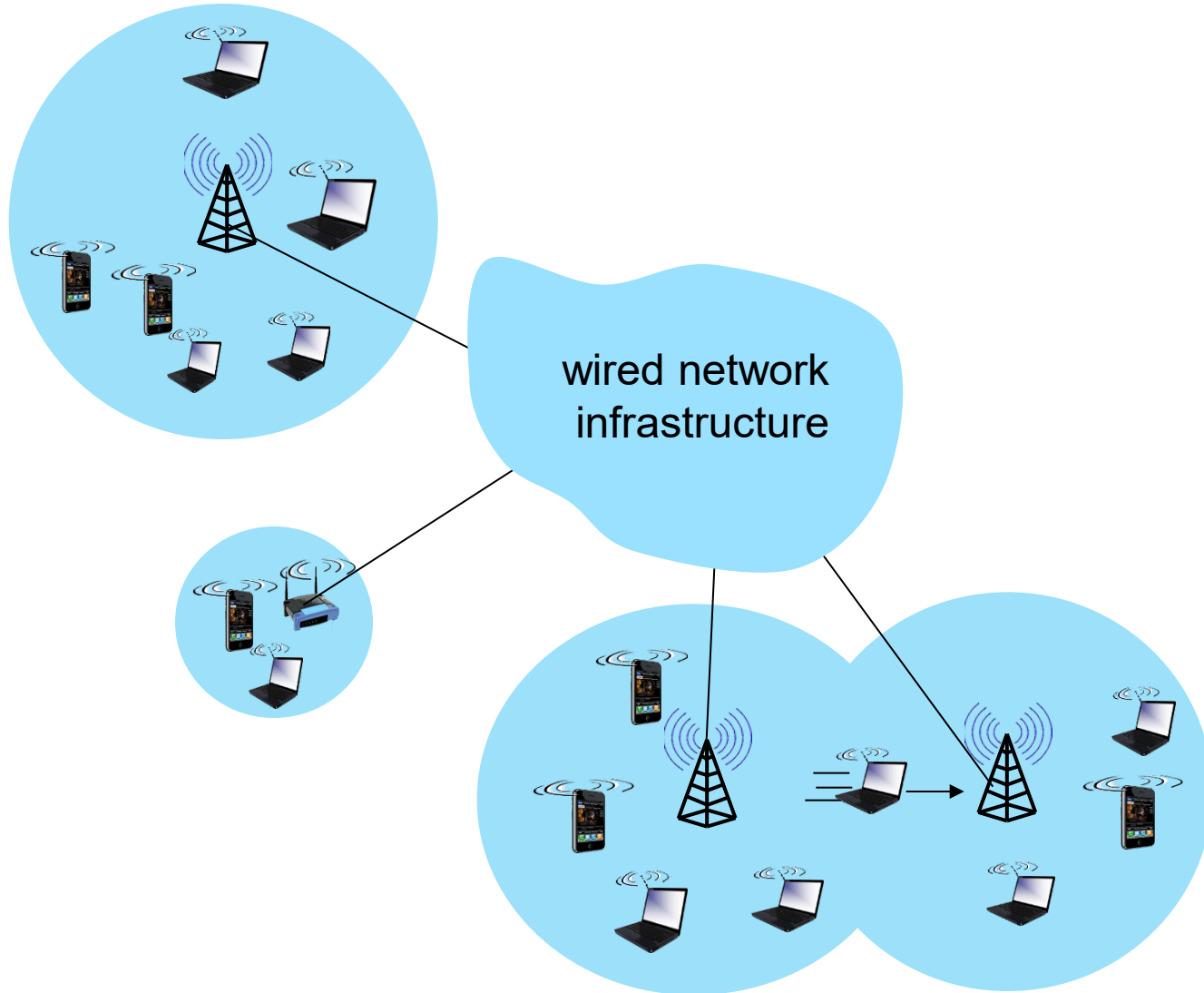
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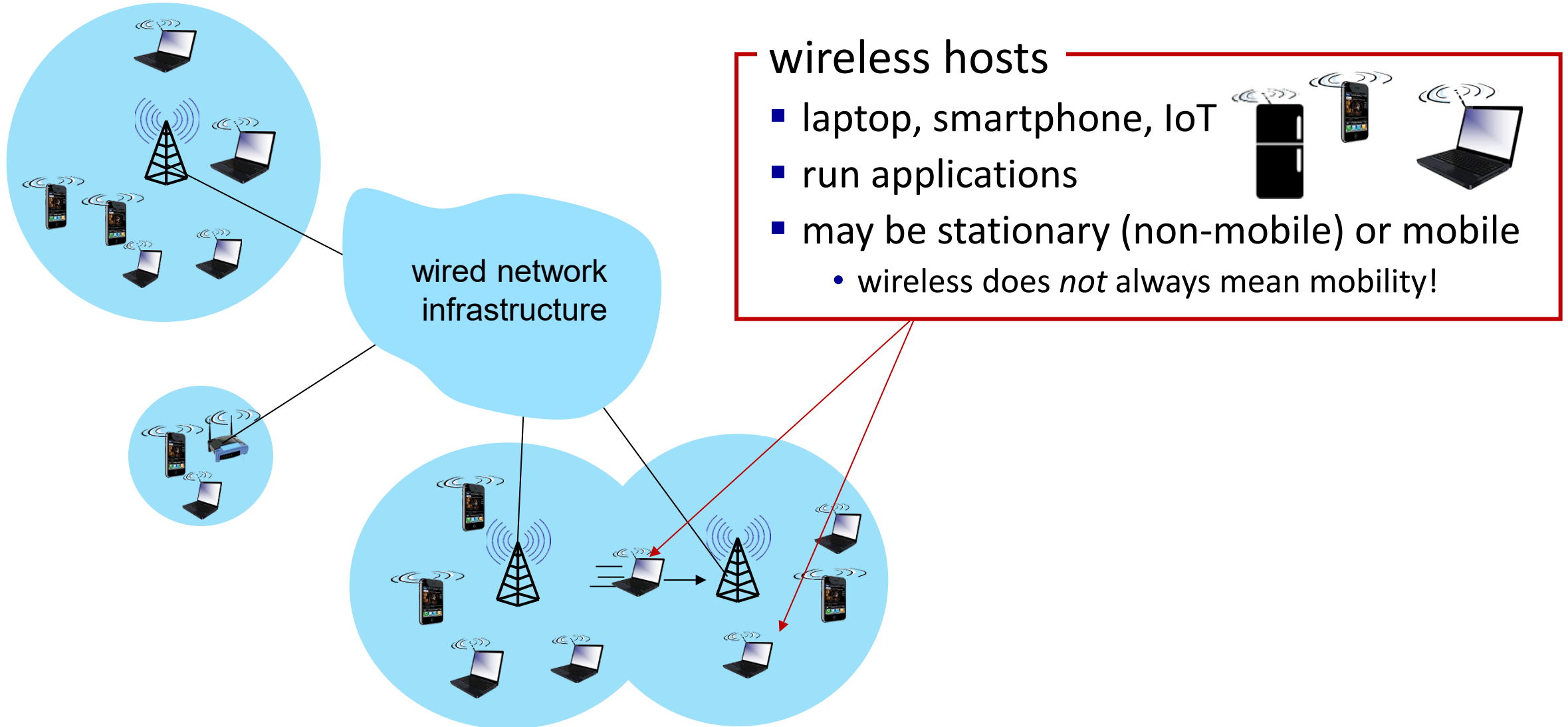
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■ Mobility management: practice
- 4G/5G networks
- Mobile IP

■ Mobility: impact on higher-layer protocols

Elements of a wireless network

wired network infrastructure

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wireless hosts
- laptop, smartphone, IoT
- run applications
- may be stationary (non-mobile) or mobile
  - wireless does *not* always mean mobility!
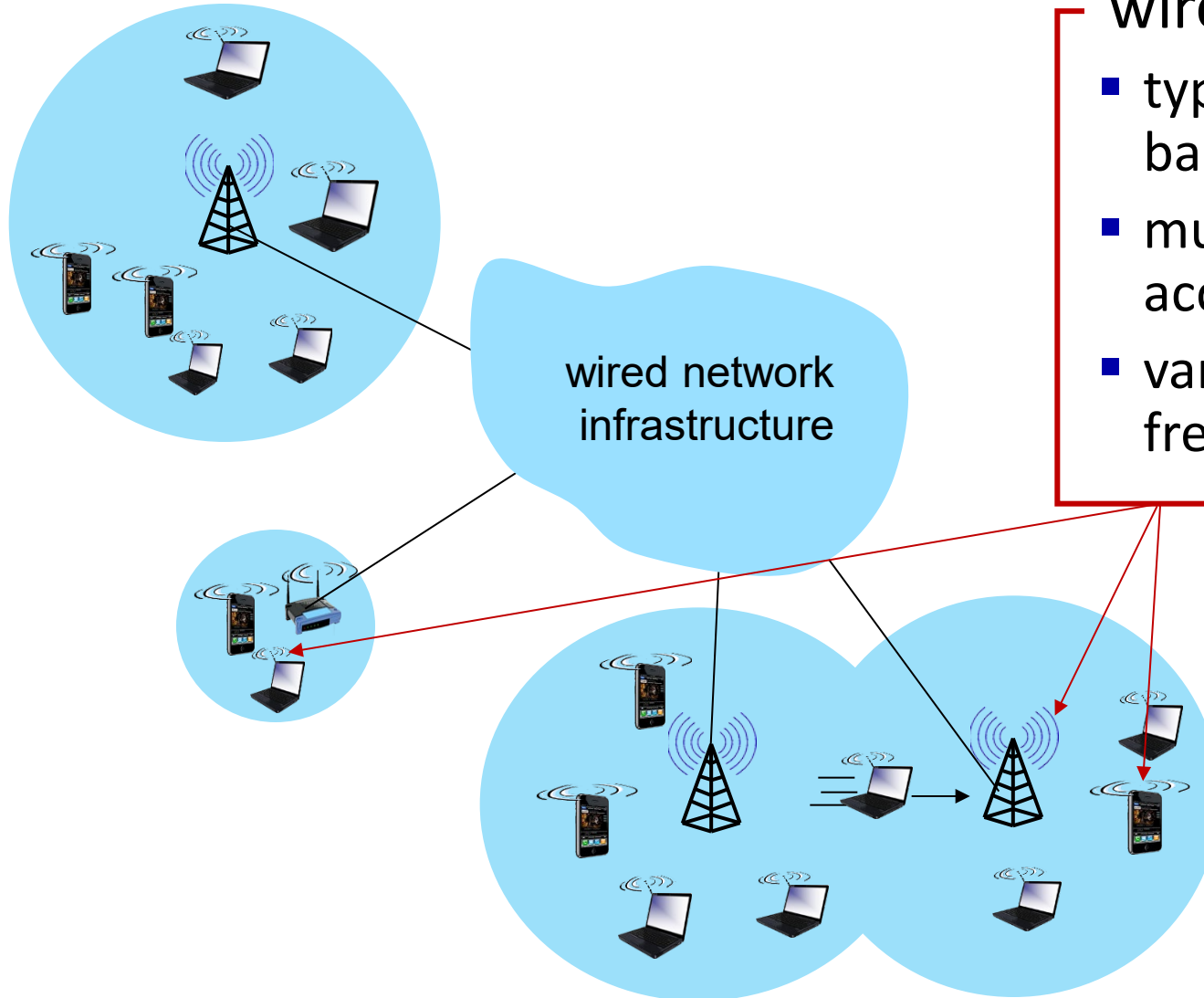
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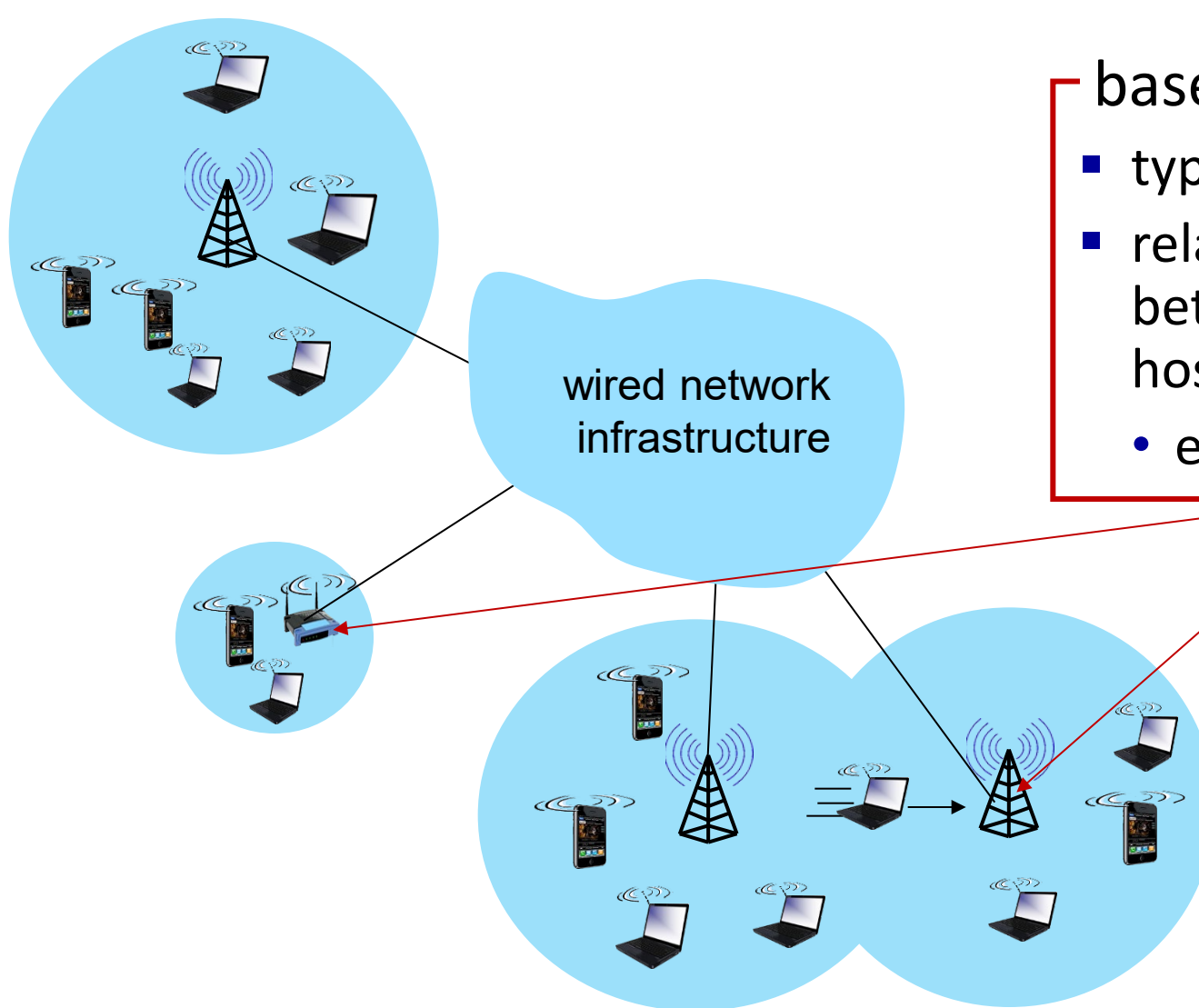
base station
- typically connected to wired network
- relay - responsible for sending packets between wired network and wireless host(s) in its "area"
  - e.g., cell towers, 802.11 access points

wired network infrastructure
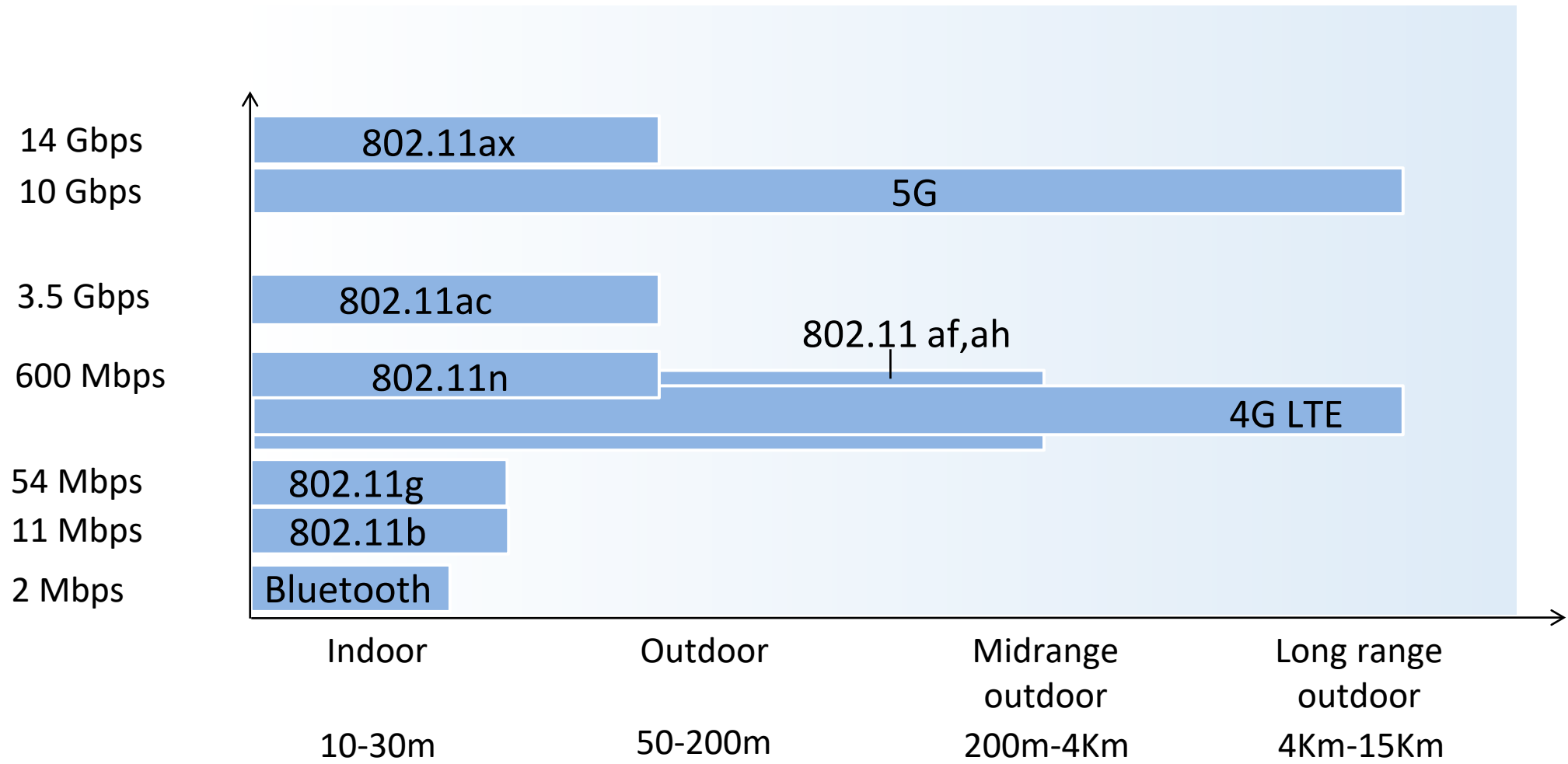
Elements of a wireless network

wireless link

- typically used to connect mobile(s) to base station, also used as backbone link
- multiple access protocol coordinates link access
- various transmission rates and distances, frequency bands

wired network infrastructure

Characteristics of selected wireless links

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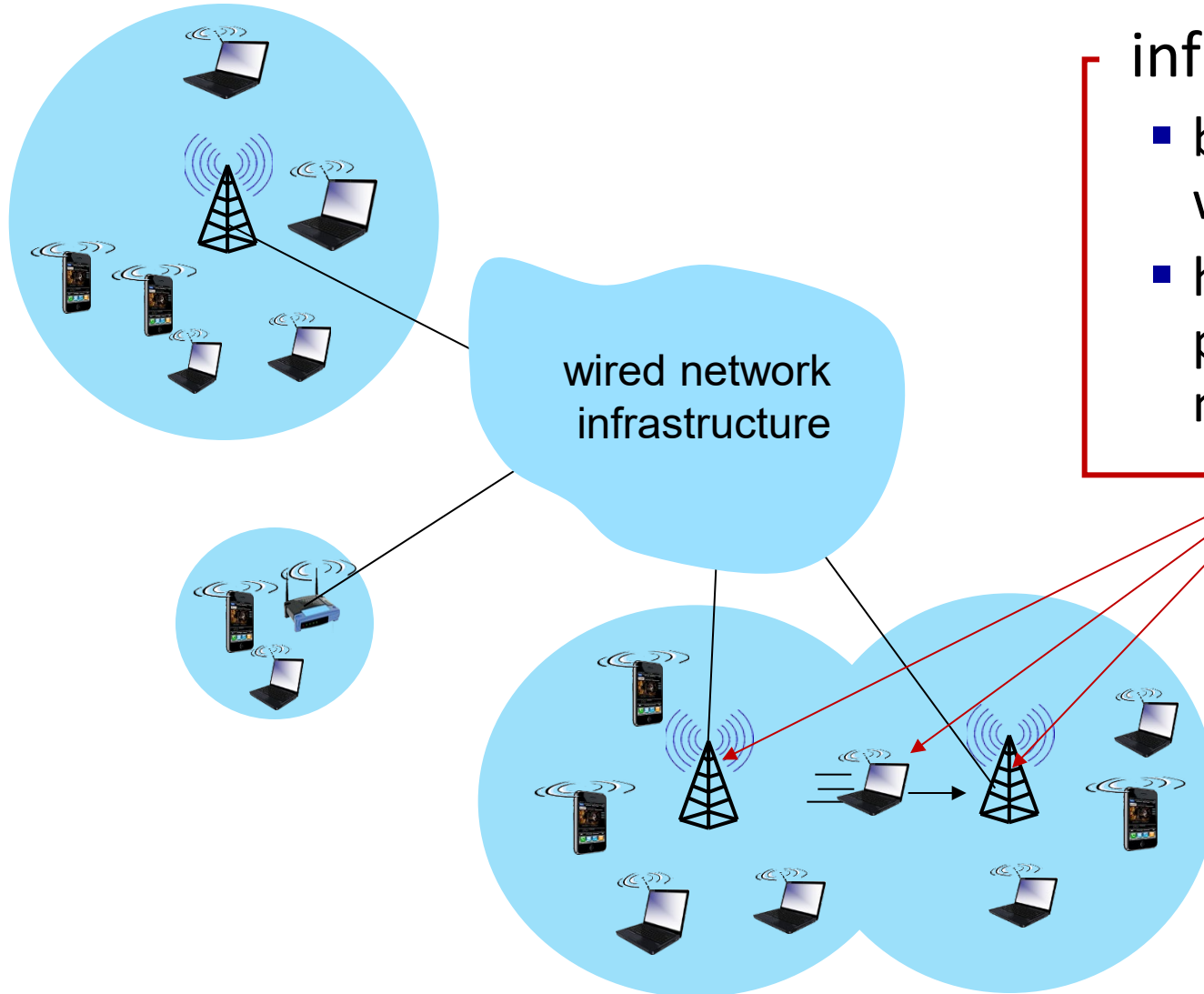
infrastructure mode
- base station connects mobiles into wired network
- handoff: mobile changes base station providing connection into wired network

wired network infrastructure

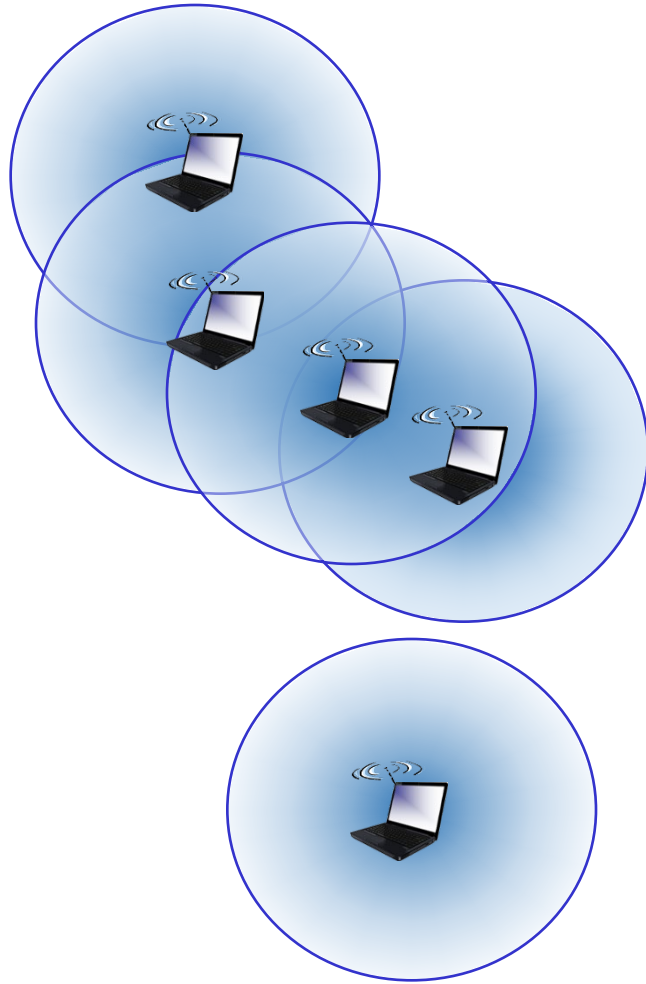# Elements of a wireless network

ad hoc mode

- no base stations
- nodes can only transmit to other nodes within link coverage
- nodes organize themselves into a network: route among themselves

Wireless network taxonomy

	single hop	multiple hops
infrastructure (e.g., APs)	host connects to base station (WiFi, cellular) which connects to larger Internet	host may have to relay through several wireless nodes to connect to larger Internet: *mesh net*
no infrastructure	no base station, no connection to larger Internet (Bluetooth, ad hoc nets)	no base station, no connection to larger Internet. May have to relay to reach other a given wireless node MANET, VANET

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Wireless link characteristics: fading (attenuation)

Wireless radio signal attenuates (loses power) as it propagates (free space "path loss")

Free space path loss ~ $(fd)^2$

f: frequency
d: distance
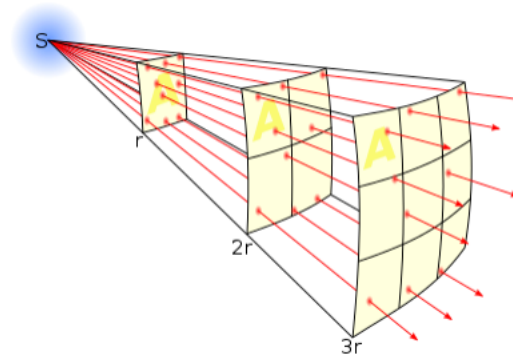
higher frequency or longer distance → larger free space path loss

Wireless link characteristics: multipath

multipath propagation: radio signal reflects off objects ground, built environment, arriving at destination at slightly different times

reflected path

line of sight (LOS) path

reflected path

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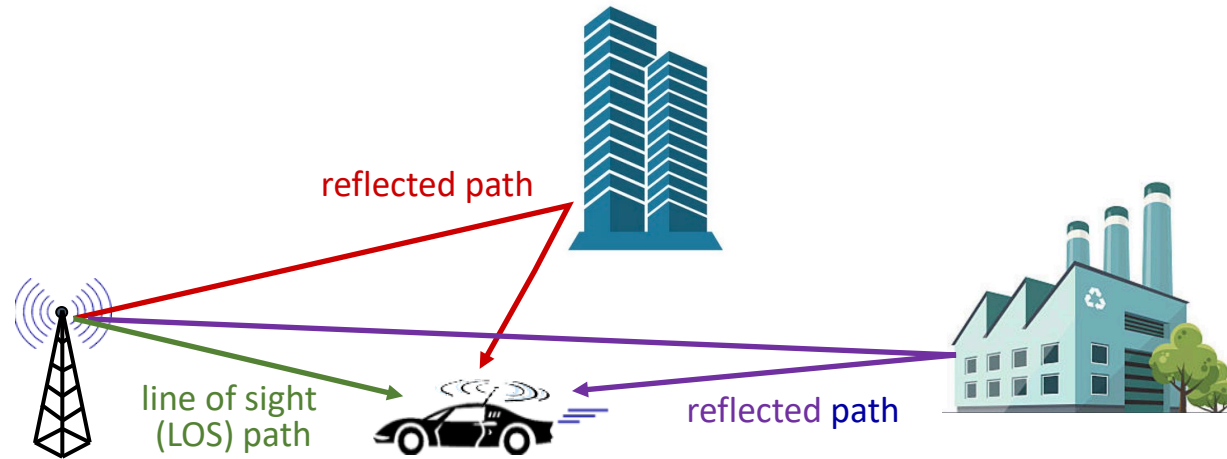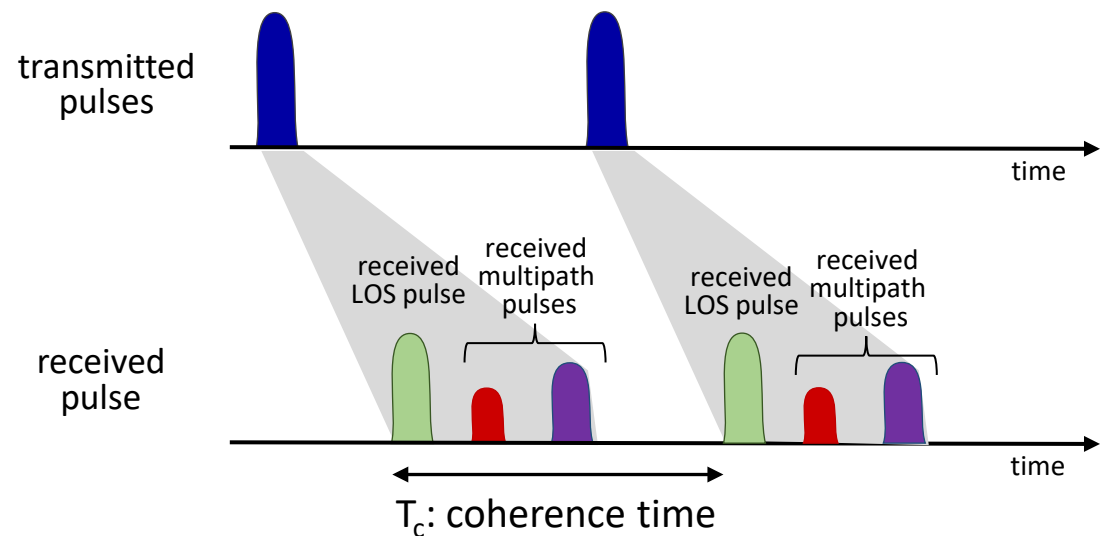
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Coherence time:

- amount of time bit is present in channel to be received
- influences maximum possible transmission rate, since coherence times can not overlap
- inversely proportional to
  - frequency
  - receiver velocity

Wireless link characteristics: noise

- **interference from other sources on** wireless network frequencies: motors, appliances

- **SNR: signal-to-noise ratio**
  - larger SNR – easier to extract signal from noise (a "good thing")

- **SNR versus BER tradeoff**
  - *given physical layer:* increase power -> increase SNR->decrease BER
  - SNR may change with mobility: dynamically adapt physical layer (modulation technique, rate)

······· QAM256 (8 Mbps)

- - - QAM16 (4 Mbps)

——— BPSK (1 Mbps)
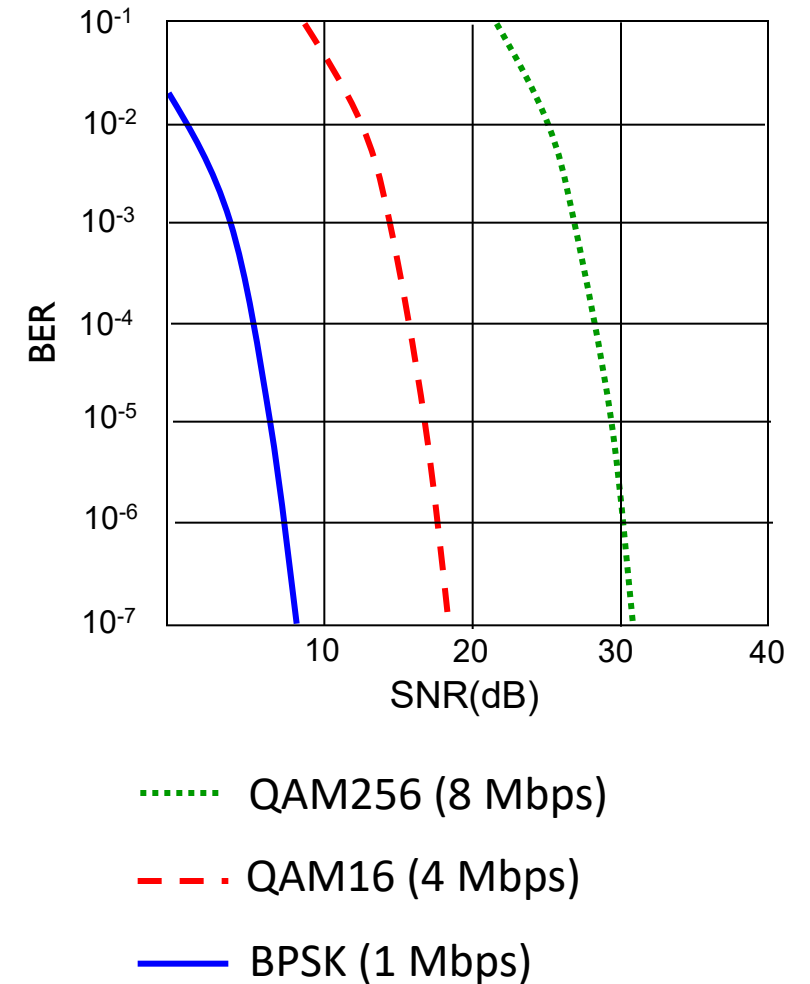
Wireless link characteristics: hidden terminals

Hidden terminal problem
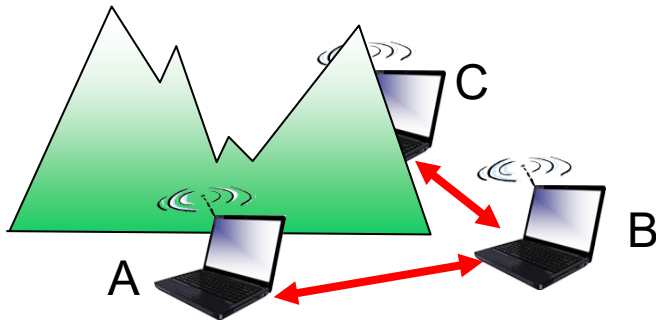
- B, A hear each other
- B, C hear each other
- A, C can not hear each other means A, C unaware of their interference at B

Attenuation also causes "hidden terminals"

- B, A hear each other
- B, C hear each other
- A, C can not hear each other interfering at B

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Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA)

- unique "code" assigned to each user; i.e., code set partitioning
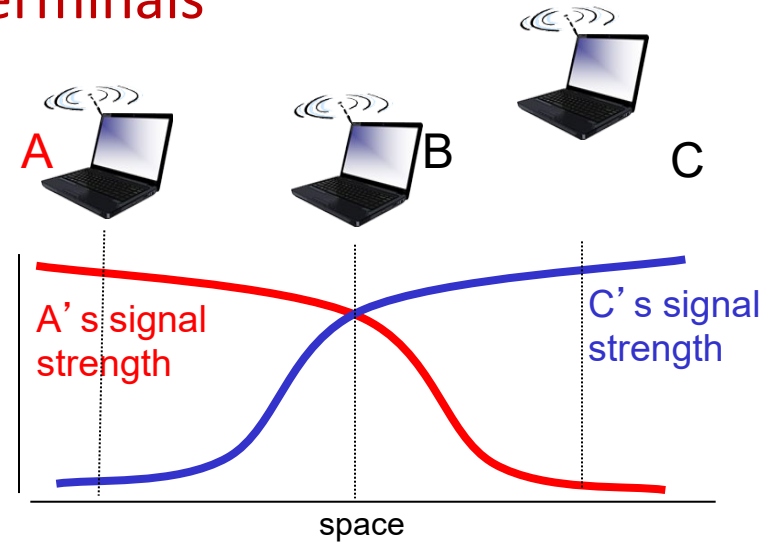 - all users share same frequency, but each user has own chipping sequence (i.e., code) to encode data
  - allows multiple users to "coexist" and transmit simultaneously with minimal interference (if codes are "orthogonal")
  - analogy: people speaking different languages in the same roo do not interfere with each other

- encoding: scalar-vector product: (original data) $*$ (chipping sequence)
  - $d * (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) = (d*x_1, d*x_2, \ldots, d*x_n)$, where $d = 1$ or -1.

- decoding: vector-vector inner-product: (encoded data) $\cdot$ (chipping sequence)
  - Defined as sum of elementwise product:
  - $(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \cdot (y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n) = (x_1*y_1 + x_2*y_2 + \ldots + x_n*y_n)$

Direct-Sequence Spread Spectrum CDMA
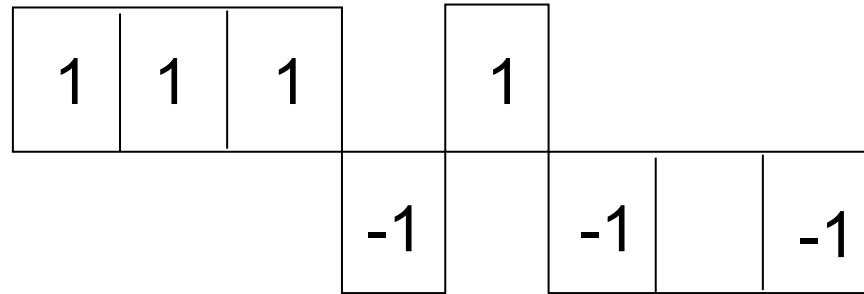
1	1	1		1			
			-1		-1		-1

- ❑ Chipping sequence (Code): (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)
- ❑ The 8-bit sequence 1*(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1) encodes data bit 1 (corresponding to application bit 1).
- ❑ The 8-bit sequence (-1)*(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1) = (-1,-1,-1,1,-1,1,1,1) encodes data bit -1 (corresponding to application bit 0).
- ❑ Spreading factor = Code length/data bit = 8
  - ❑ 10-100 commercial (Min 10 by FCC), 10,000 for military

CDMA encode/decode

channel output $Z_{i,m}$

$Z_{i,m} = d_i \cdot c_m$

sender

data bits

$d_0 = 1$

$d_1 = -1$

code

slot 1   slot 0

slot 1 channel output

slot 0 channel output

Encoded data in slot 1:
$-1 * (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)$
$= \quad (-1,-1,-1,1,-1,1,1,1)$

$d_i = \dfrac{\sum\limits_{m=1}^{M} Z_{i,m} \cdot c_m}{M}$

receiver

received input

code

slot 1   slot 0

$d_1 = -1$

$d_0 = 1$

slot 1 channel output

slot 0 channel output

Decoded data in slot 1:
$= (1/8) * (-1,-1,-1,1,-1,1,1,1) \cdot (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)$
$= -1$
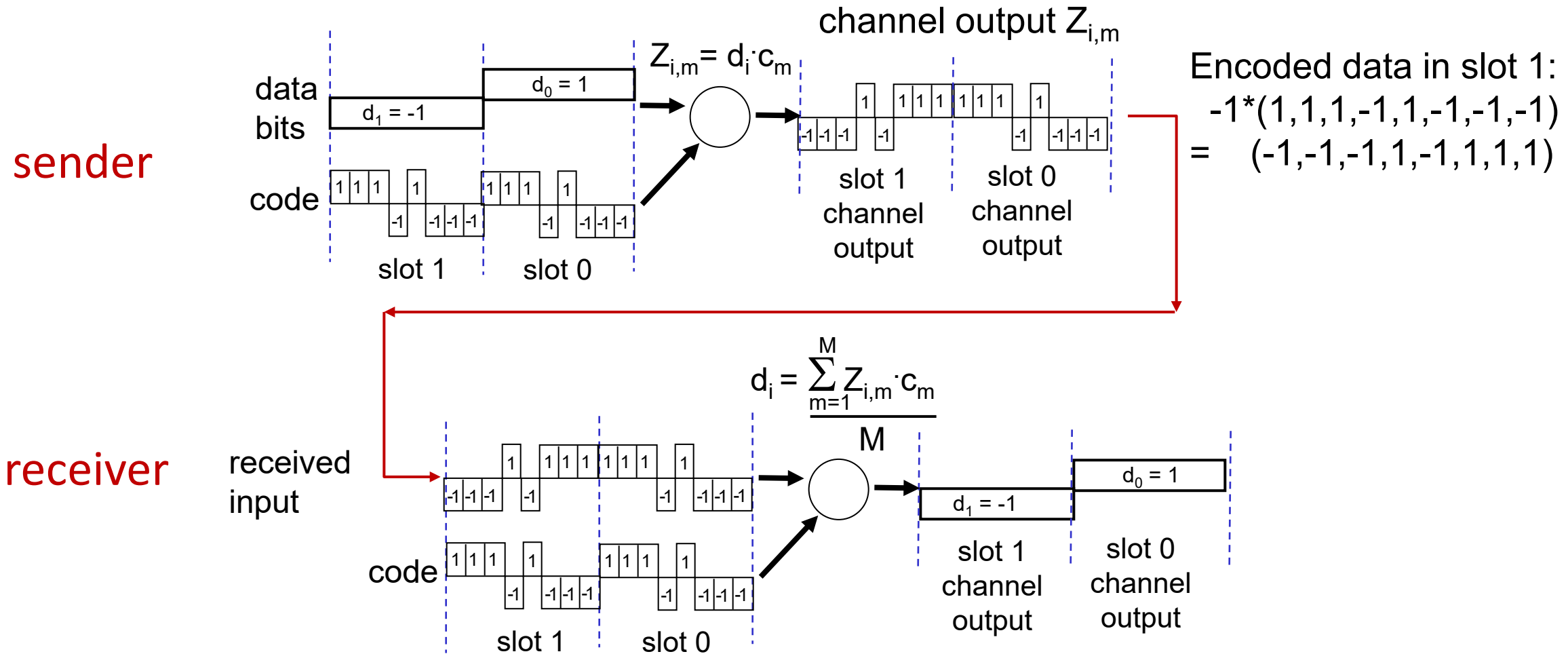
CDMA encode/decode

- Sender 1 Code $c_m, m = 1 \ldots M$: (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)

- Encoded data in slot 1: $Z_{1,m} = d_1 * c_m$
  - -1*(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)
  - = (-1,-1,-1,1,-1,1,1,1)

- Decoded data in slot 1 is normalized (divided by code length M) inner product of the encoded $Z_{i,m}$ with Sender 1 Code: $d_1 = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} Z_{1,m} \cdot c_m$
  - = (1/8)*(-1,-1,-1,1,-1,1,1,1) $\cdot$ (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)
  - = (1/8)*((-1)*1+(-1)*1+(-1)*1+1*(-1) +(-1)*1+1*(-1)+1*(-1)+1*(-1))
  - = (1/8)*(-8)
  - = -1

CDMA: two-sender interference

senders

channel sums together transmissions by sender 1 and 2

Encoded data in slot 1:
  $-1*(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)$
  $+ 1*(1,-1,1,1,1,-1,1,1)$
  $= \quad (0,-2,0,2,0,0,2,2)$

$d_i^1 = \dfrac{\sum\limits_{m=1}^{M} Z_{i,m}^* \cdot c_m^1}{M}$ M=8 (# bits)

Decoded data in slot 1 for Sender 1:
$d_1^1 = (1/8)*(0*1+(-2)*1+0*1+2*(-1)$
$+0*1+0*(-1)+2*(-1)+2*(-1))$
$=(1/8)*(-8)=-1$

receiver 1

using same code as sender 1, receiver recovers sender 1's original data from summed channel data!
provided the codes for different senders are orthogonal
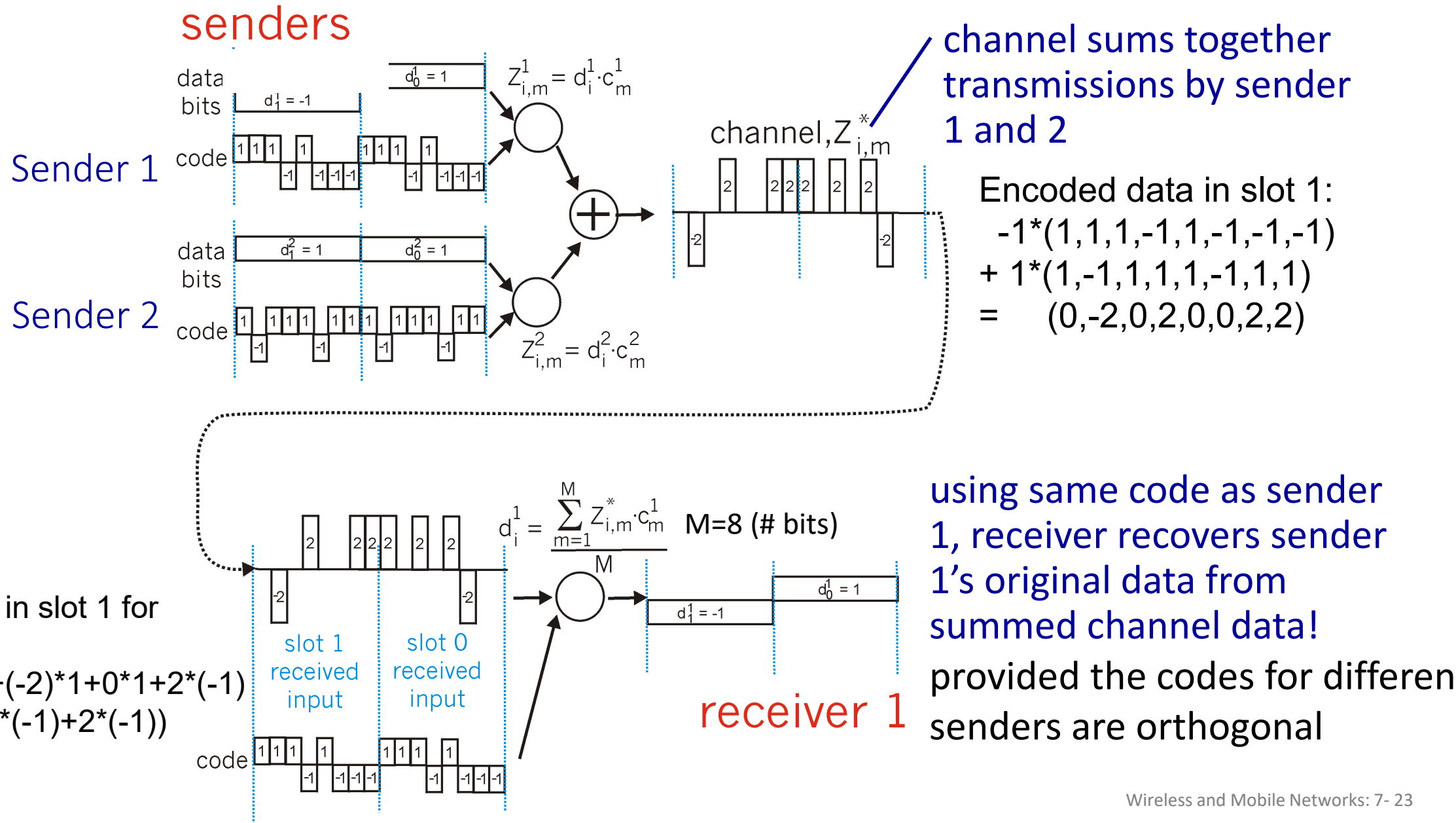
CDMA: two-sender interference

- Orthogonal codes:
  - Sender 1 Code: $c_m^1, m = 1 \dots 8$: (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)
  - Sender 2 Code: $c_m^2, m = 1 \dots 8$: (1,-1,1,1,1,-1,1,1)
  - Orthogonal since their inner product is 0:
  - $(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1) \cdot (1,-1,1,1,1,-1,1,1)$
  - =1*1+1*(-1)+1*1+(-1)*1 +1*1+(-1)*(-1)+(-1)*1+(-1)*1
  - =0

- Encoded data in slot 1 is sum of encoded -1 for Sender 1 and encoded 1 for Sender 2:
  - $Z_{1,m}^* = d_1^1 * c_m^1, Z_{2,m}^* = d_1^2 * c_m^2$
  - -1*(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1) + 1*(1,-1,1,1,1,-1,1,1)
  - = (0,-2,0,2,0,0,2,2)

- Decoded data for Sender 1 in slot 1 is $d_1^1 = \frac{1}{M}\sum_{m=1}^{M} Z_{1,m}^* \cdot c_m^1$:
  - d_1^1 = (1/8)*(0,-2,0,2,0,0,2,2) $\cdot$ (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1)
  - =(1/8)*(0*1+(-2)*1+0*1+2*(-1) +0*1+0*(-1)+2*(-1)+2*(-1))
  - =(1/8)*(-8)
  - =-1

- Decoded data for Sender 2 in slot 1 is $d_1^2 = \frac{1}{M}\sum_{m=1}^{M} Z_{1,m}^* \cdot c_m^2$:
  - d_1^2 = (1/8)*(0,-2,0,2,0,0,2,2) $\cdot$ (1,-1,1,1,1,-1,1,1)
  - =(1/8)*(0*1+(-2)*(-1)+0*1+2*1+0*1+0*(-1)+2*1+2*1)
  - =(1/8)*8
  - =1

CDMA: two-sender interference: Explanations

- Decoded data for Sender 1 in slot 1 is $d_1^1 = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} Z_{1,m}^* \cdot c_m^1$

- =(1/8)*((-1)*(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1) + 1*(1,-1,1,1,1,-1,1,1)) $\cdot$ (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1))

- =(1/8)*((-1)*(1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1) $\cdot$ (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1) + (1/8)*1*(1,-1,1,1,1,-1,1,1) $\cdot$ (1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1))

(First term: Sender 1 Code's inner product with itself with itself is sum of M 1's, M=8 is its dimension. Second term: Sender 1 Code's inner product with Sender 2 Code equals 0, since the codes for different senders are orthogonal)

- = (1/8)*(-1*(1+1+1+1+1+1+1+1) + 1*(1*1+1*(-1)+1*1+(-1)*1 +1*1+(-1)*(-1)+(-1)*1+(-1)*1))

- = (1/8)*(-1*8 + 1*0)

- = -1

Quiz 1

- Q1: Consider the codes for two senders: Sender 1 Code: (1,-1,-1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1), Sender 2 Code: (1,-1,1,-1,1,-1,1,-1). Are they orthogonal?

- Q2: Consider the codes for two senders: Sender 1 Code: (1,-1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1), Sender 2 Code: (1,1,1,1,1,-1,1,-1). Are they orthogonal?

- Q3: With the codes in Q2, suppose Sender 1 sends data bit 1 and Sender 2 sends data bit -1 simultaneously, compute the encoded data.

- Q4: Compute the decoded data bit for Sender 1 and decoded data bit Sender 2.

Quiz 2

- Q: A CDMA receiver receives the following encoded data:
- (-1 +1 -3 +1 -1 -3 +1 +1).
- Assuming the following codes used by four sending stations (they are pairwise orthogonal to each other),
  - A=(-1,-1,-1,+1,+1,-1,+1,+1)
  - B=(-1,-1,+1,-1,+1,+1,+1,-1)
  - C=(-1,+1,-1,+1,+1,+1,-1,-1)
  - D=(-1,+1,-1,-1,-1,-1,+1,-1)
- which stations transmitted, and which bits did each one send?
- A: Compute the normalized inner products with each code:
  - A's data:$(1/8)*(-1 +1 -3 +1 -1 -3 +1 +1) \cdot (-1,-1,-1,+1,+1,-1,+1,+1)/8 = 1$
  - B's data:$(1/8)*(-1 +1 -3 +1 -1 -3 +1 +1) \cdot (-1-1+1-1+1+1+1-1)/8=-1$
  - C's data:$(1/8)*(-1 +1 -3 +1 -1 -3 +1 +1) \cdot (-1+1-1+1+1+1-1-1)/8=0$
  - D's data:$(1/8)* (-1 +1 -3 +1 -1 -3 +1 +1) \cdot (-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1)/8 = 1$
- Clearly, stations A, B, and D transmitted bits 1, -1, 1 respectively while station C did not transmit.
  - Corresponding to application bits 1, 0, 1