



## Hacking the Fast Lane: security issues in 802.11p, DSRC and WAVE

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# THIS IS NOT A “USER-MODE CALLBACK TO RINGO” PRESENTATION

# Agenda

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- **Acronyms**
- **Overview**
- **Supposed to do**
- **Protocol Stack**
- **WAVE**
  - What is defined by IEEE
- **Attacks Scenarios**

## BIO

- **SpiderLabs:~ Trustwave\$ whois BrunoGO**
  - Computer Engineer;
  - Security certs,
  - Security Consultant at Trustwave's Spiderlabs in the Network Penetration Testing Team
  - 9+ years on information security field;
  - Previously talk at SOURCE Barcelona 2010 (Spain), DEF CON 18 (USA), HITBSec Conf 2009 (Malaysia), ToorCon X (USA), YSTS 2.0/3.0, H2HC IV/VI (Brazil), among others.
  - Just accepted for BlackHat DC.

# What are ALL these acronyms?

- **WAVE (Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments)**
  - Mode used by 802.11 devices to run in the DSRC band
- **DSRC (Dedicated Short Range Communications)**
  - Name of 5.9Ghz band
- **IEEE 802.11p**
  - Based on ASTM Standard E2213-03

# Overview

		Wireless Technology												
Capabilities	Range	1000 m	~4-6 km	10 m	~40 km	120 km	1000 m	300-400 km	2 km	30 m	US 48 States	30-50 km	N/A	15-30 m
	One-Way To Vehicle	X			X	?		X	X	X	X	X	?	
	One-Way From Vehicle	X				?			X				?	
	Two-Way	X				?							X	?
	Pont-To-Point	X	X	X		?	X			X			X	?
	Point-To-Multipoint	X	X	X	X	?	X	X	X		X	X		?
	Latency	200 $\mu$ sec	1.5-3.5 sec	3-4 Sec	10-30 sec	?	3-5 sec	N/A	N/A	N/A	10-20 sec	10-20 sec	60+sec	?
	5.9 GHz DSRC	2.5-3G PCS and Digital Cellular	Bluetooth	Digital Television(DTV)	High Altitude Platforms	Nationwide Differential Global Positioning System	IEEE 802.11 Wireless LAN	Remote Keyless Entry (RKE)	Radar	Two-Way Satellite	Terrestrial Digital Radio	Ultrawideband (UWB)		

# What it is purposed (mainly)

## Electronic Tolls

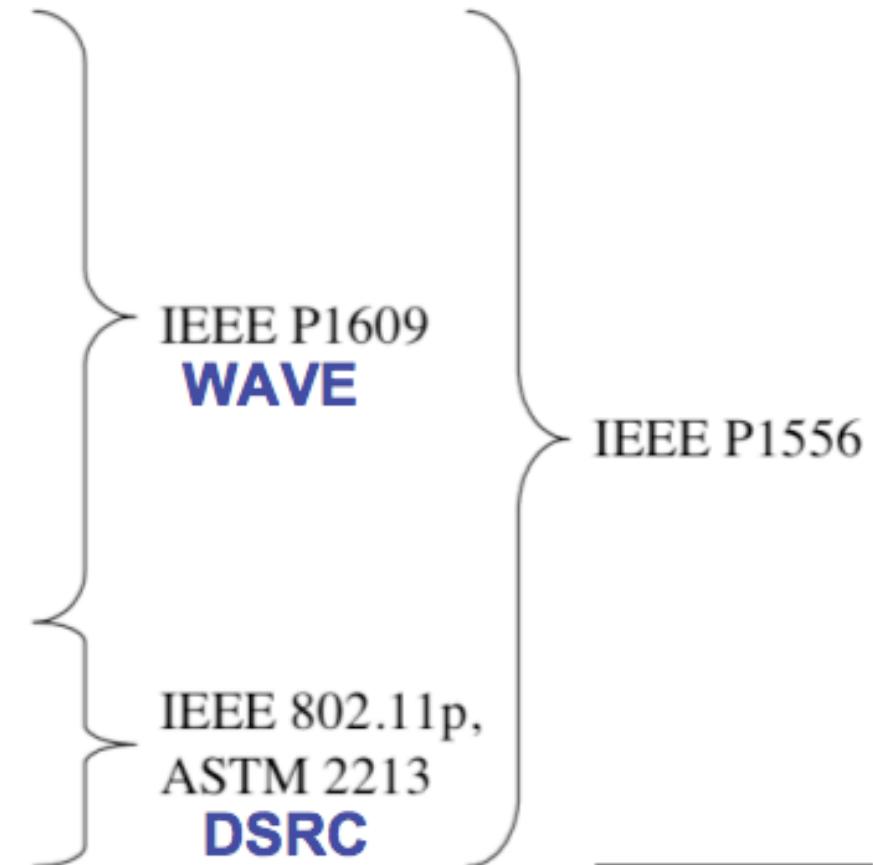


## Emergency Vehicles



# Protocol Stack

<b>APPLICATION</b>	Layer 7
<b>PRESENTATION</b>	Layer 6
<b>SESSION</b>	Layer 5
<b>TRANSPORT</b>	Layer 4
<b>NETWORK</b>	Layer 3
<b>DATA LINK</b>	Layer 2
<b>PHYSICAL</b>	Layer 1



# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments**

- **Defined by IEEE 1609.0-4**
  - Architecture
  - Resource Manager
  - Security Services for App
  - Networking Services
  - Multi-Channel Operations



# Architecture

# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Architecture**

## **RSU – Road Side Unit**

A wireless access in vehicular environments (WAVE) device that operates only when stationary and supports information exchange with onboard units (OBUs).

## **OBU – Onboard Unit**

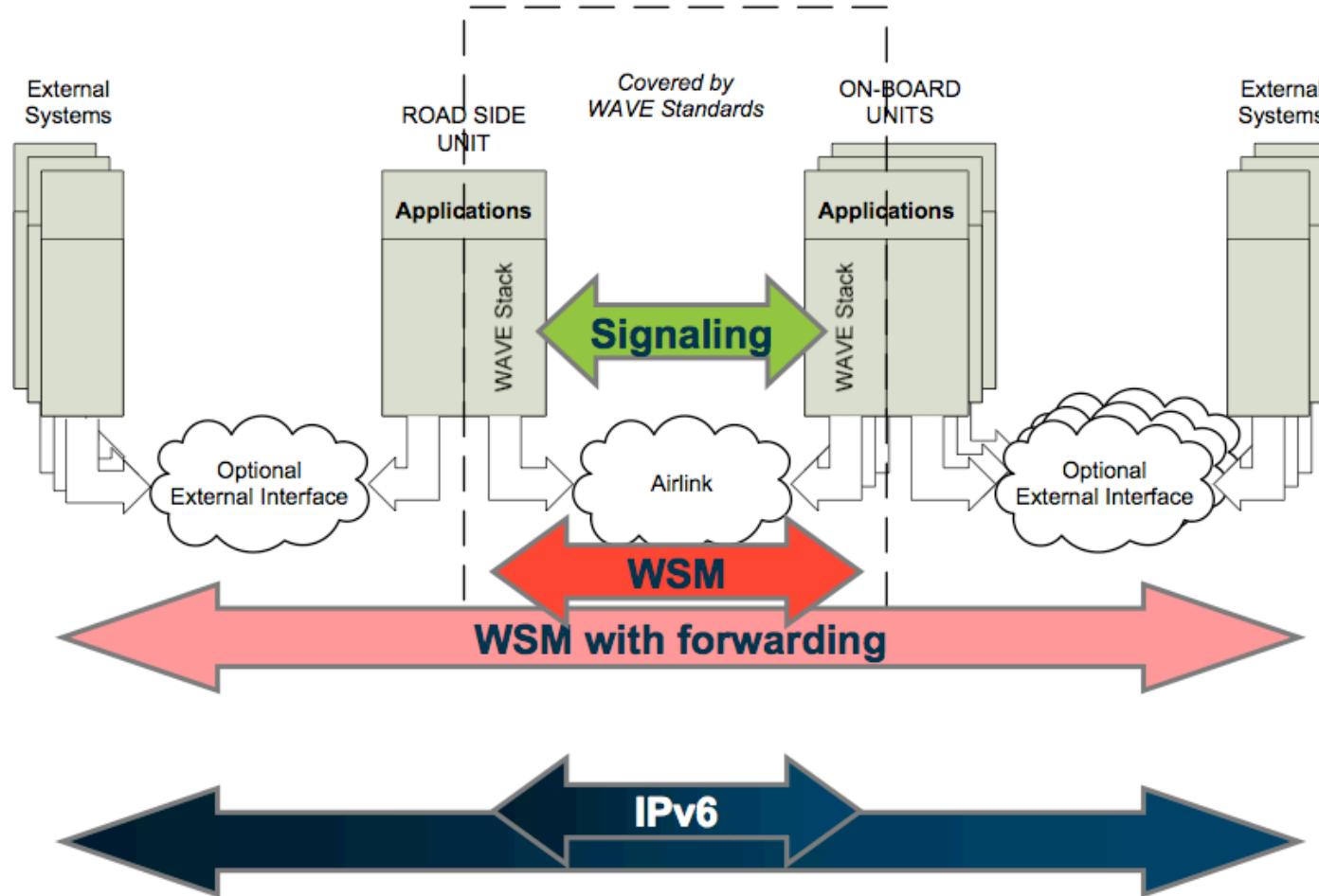
A wireless access in vehicular environments (WAVE) device that can operate when in motion and supports information exchange with roadside units (RSUs) and other OBUs.

# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Architecture**

## **Onboard Unit (OBU) – DSRC Device**



# WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Architecture





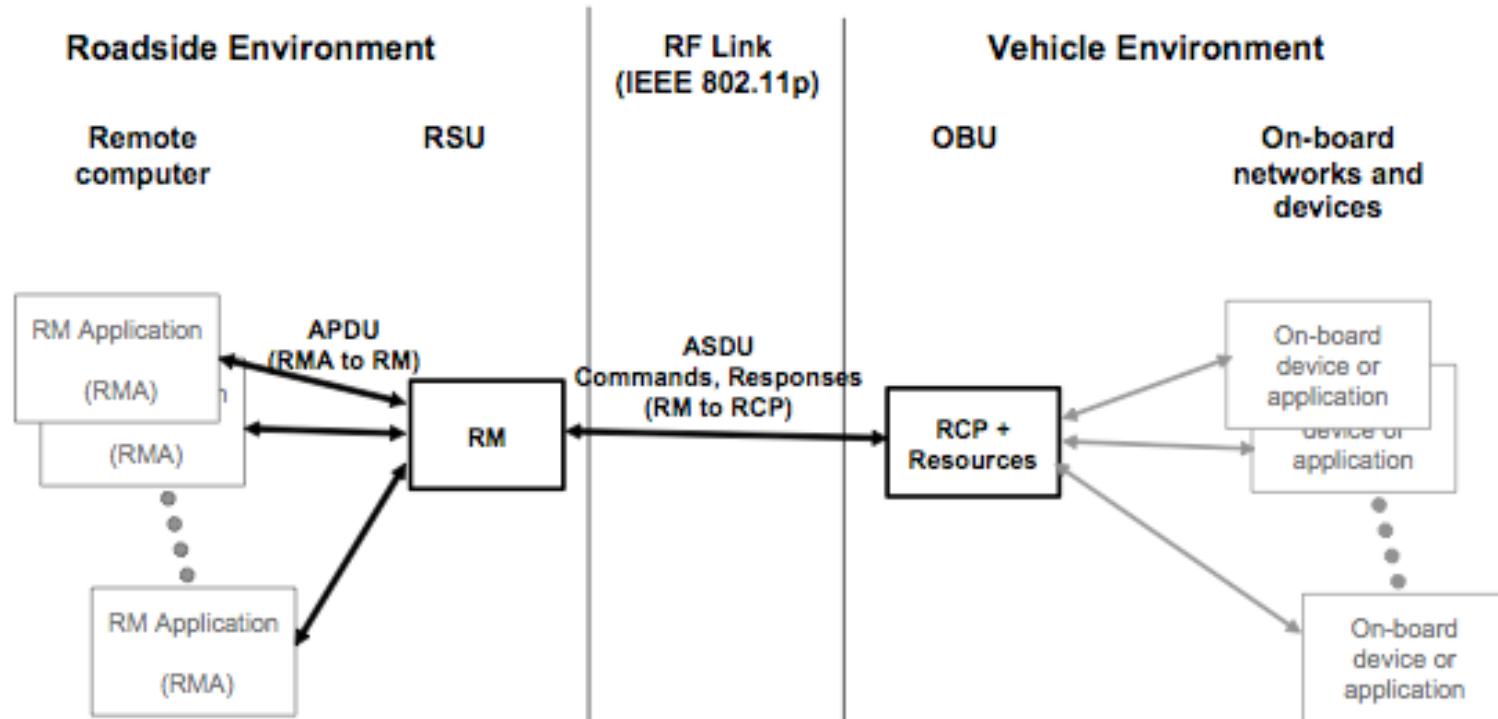
# Resource Manager

# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments – Resource Manager**

## **The external interfaces:**

- Resource Manager Application (RMA)
- Resource Manager (RM)
- Resource Command Processor (RCP)

# WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments – Resource Manager





# Channel

# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Channel**

## **Channel Allocation for WAVE**

- Seven 10 Mhz Channels

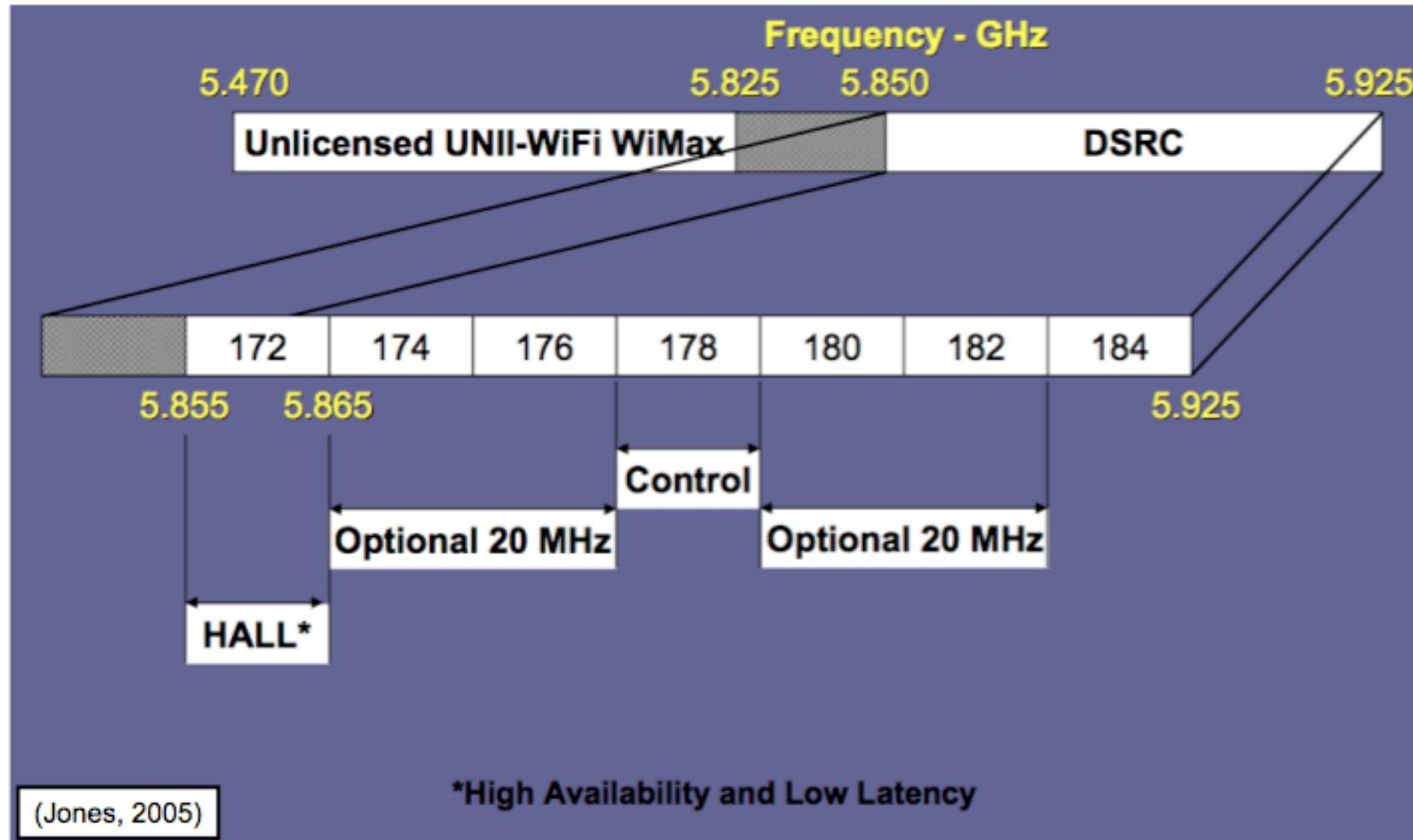
## **Data Rates for WAVE (Mbits)**

- 3, 4.5, 6, 9, 12, 18, 24, 27

## **Modulations**

- BPSK OFDM, QPSK OFDM, 16-QAM OFDM, 64-QAM OFDM

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## **Setting-up WAVE Mode:**

- Channel scan disabled
- Channel 178
- 6 Mbps data rate
- Receives any mandatory data rate



Network

# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Network**

**Can work in 2 ways**

- WAVE Short Message Protocol (WSMP)
- IPv6

# WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Network

## WAVE Short Message Protocol (WSMP)

```
WSM-WaveShortMessage.request  
(  
    ChannelInfo,  
    WsmVersion,  
    SecurityType,  
    ProviderServiceIdentifier,  
    TransmissionPriority,  
    Length,  
    Data,  
    Peer MAC address  
)
```

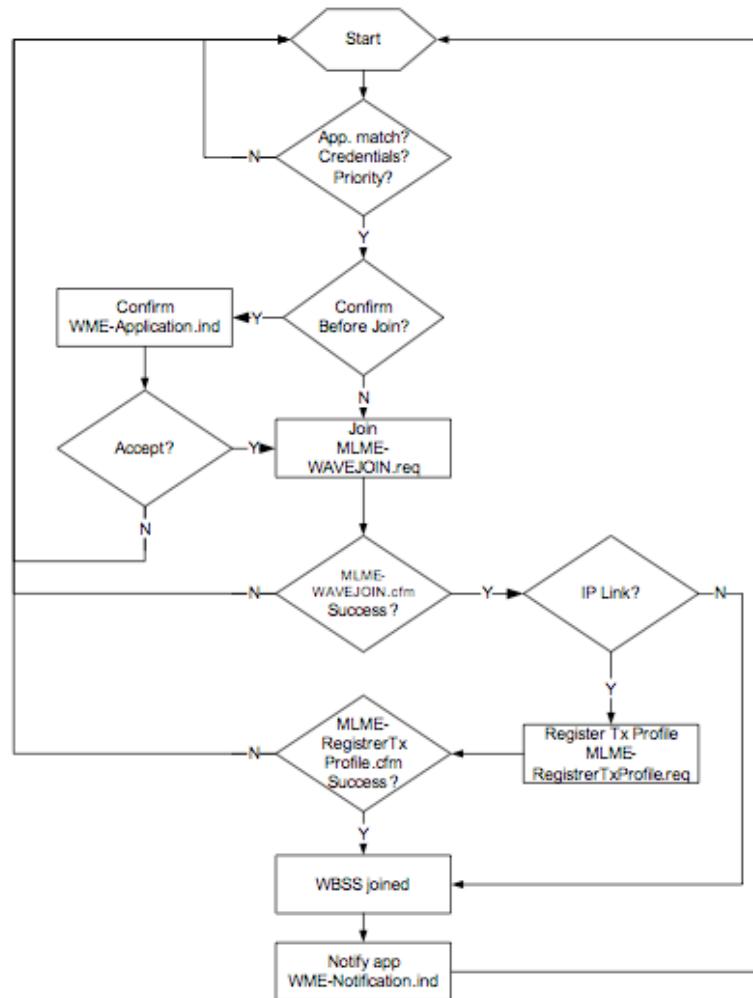
# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Network**

## **WAVE Basic Service Set (WBSS)**

A set of two or more WAVE devices participating in communications among each other on a SCH. A WBSS is initiated by a WAVE device using a WAVE Announcement action frame on the CCH.

It's used like an access-point!

# WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Network





**Security**

# **WAVE – Wireless Access in Vehicular Environments - Security**

- Authenticate messages (certificate issued by the vendor)**
- Encrypt confidential data**
- Messages must be short and transactions fast**



## Attacks Scenarios

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## Impersonate

- It's not identified by MAC (or any hw specification)
- Use the same certificate (should worth a test)

## DoS

- When systems are working on WSMP, waiting short messages.

## Physical Attacks

- Tracking Information (parking systems - cheats)

# Attack Scenarios

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## Eavesdropping

- What is unencrypted ?
  - Any message **CAN** be unencrypted
- *JUST* the data field is encrypted, the packet is still available

# Attack Scenarios - Eavesdropping

## How?

- USRP (Universal Software Radio Peripheral) (  
<http://www.ettus.com>)
- GNU Radio (Framework for creation of software defined radios)
- Maybe something on BH DC ;)

# That's it! Thanks!

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**No questions please! ;)**

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