

# Principle of Communications

## --- The Wireless Channel

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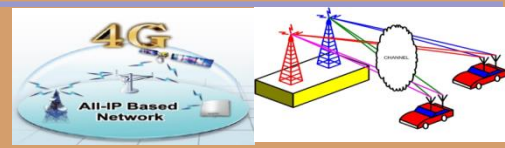
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# I. Why Study Wireless Channels?

- Any wireless system



Transmitter  
(Tx)



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Knowledge of  
Wireless Channels

- Tx and Rx
- Wireless Channels

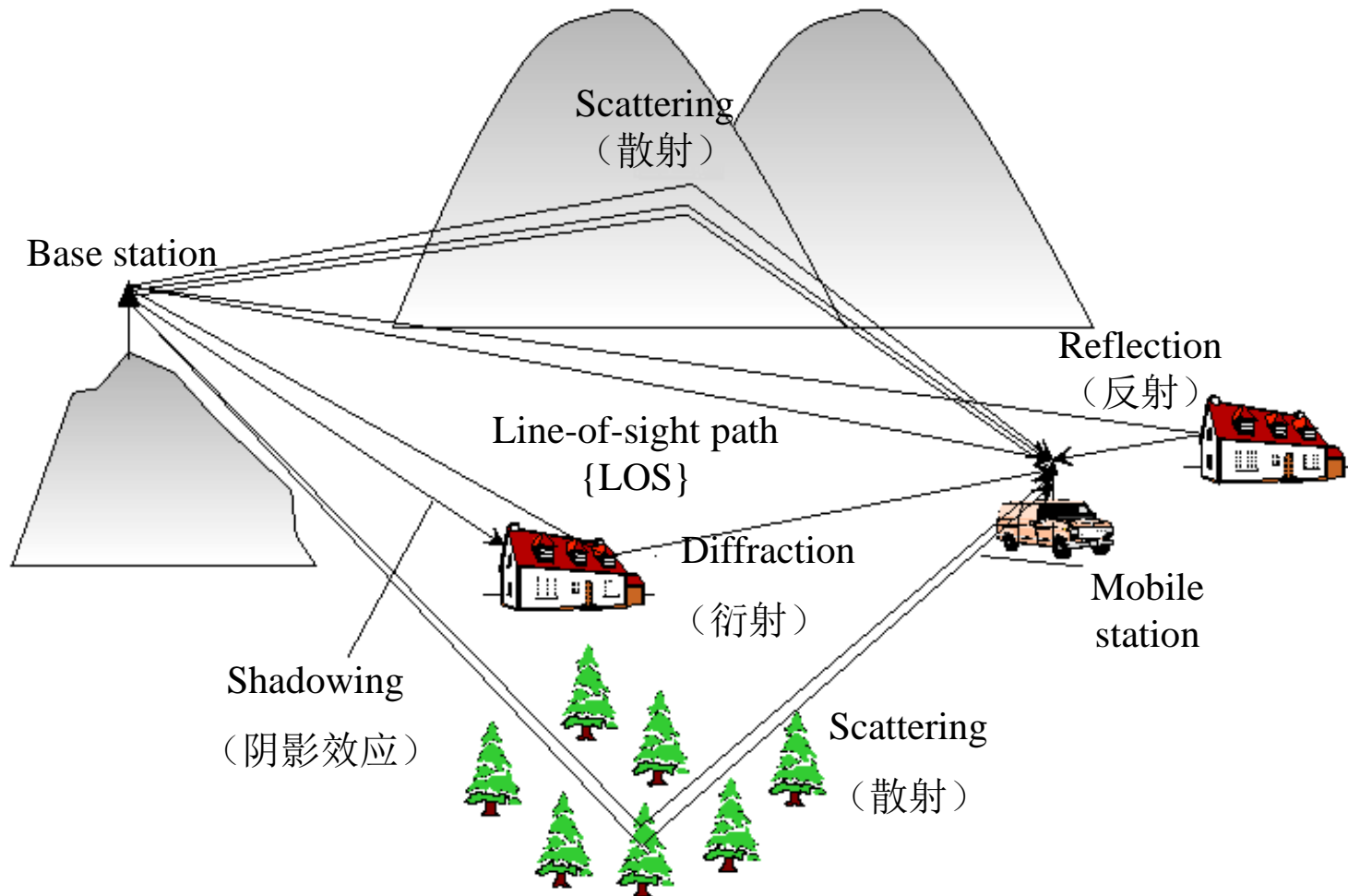
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Enabling foundation for successful analysis and design of any wireless system!

## II. What Are Wireless Channels?

- Wireless channels are the **real environments** in which the Tx and Rx are operating.



# Common Problems



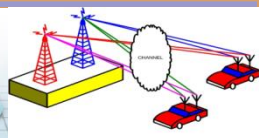
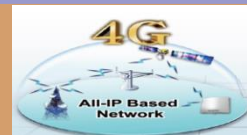
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Provide a unified and  
conceptually simple explanation  
of a morass of concepts for  
wireless channels!



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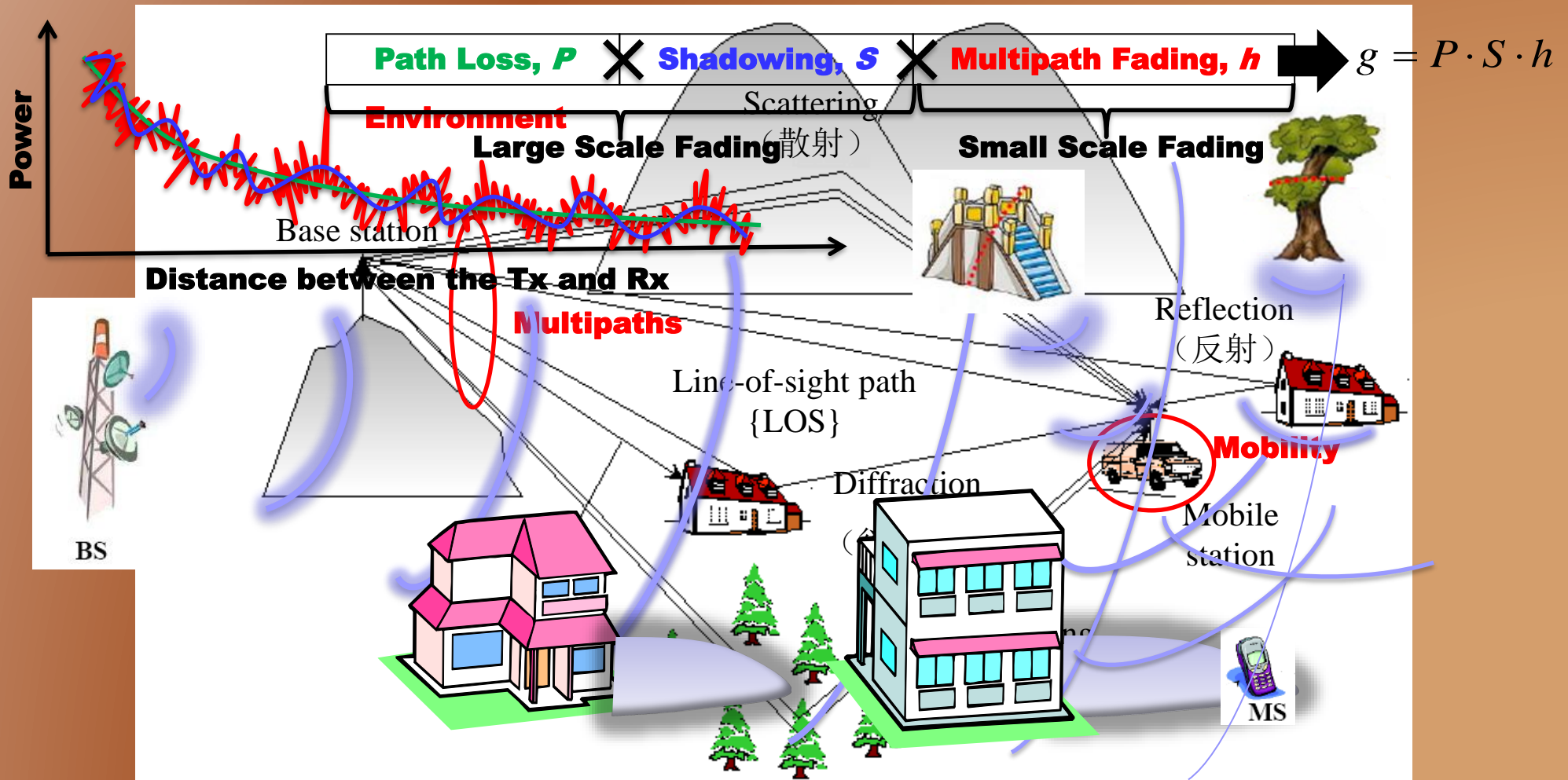
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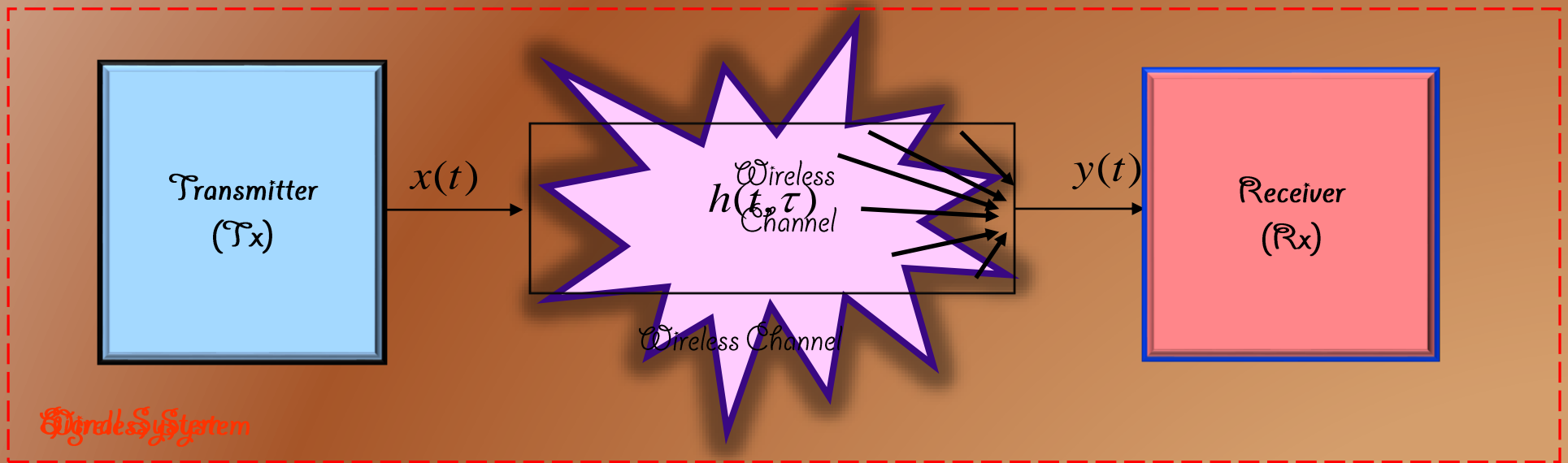


# III. Three Phenomena in Wireless Channels

- **Fading:** variation of the received signal power due to the environment, multipaths, and mobility.



# IV. Multipath Fading



$$y(t) = h(t, \tau) \otimes x(t) \quad y(t) = \sum_n c_n(t) e^{-j\phi_n(t)} x(t - \tau_n(t)) \quad (\text{Linear TV system})$$

TV channel impulse response

(system function):  $h(t, \tau) = \sum_n c_n(t) e^{-j\phi_n(t)} \delta(\tau - \tau_n(t))$

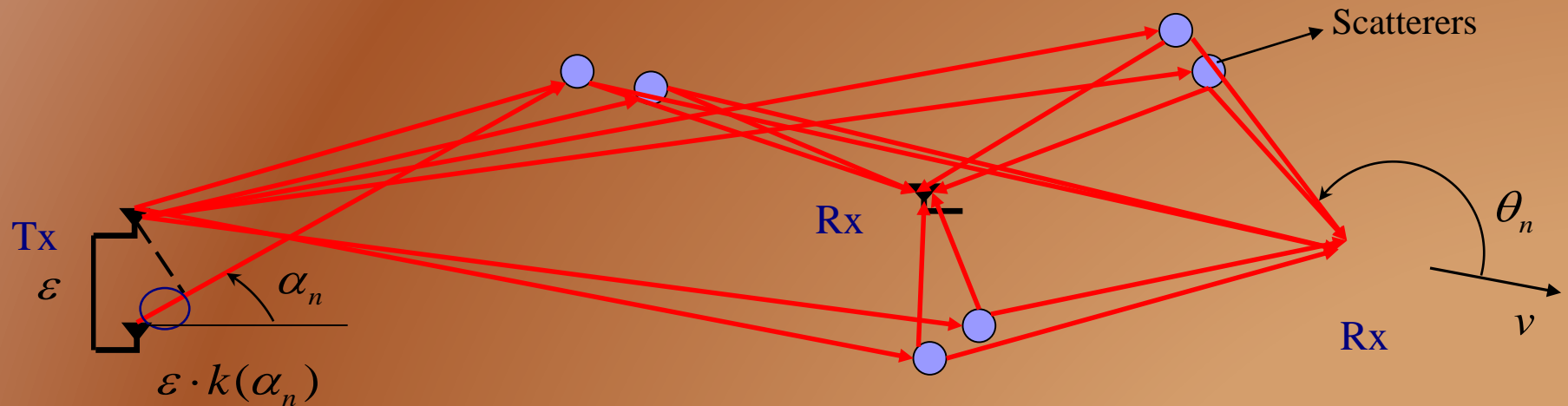
Time-invariant

$$h(\tau) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j\phi_n} \delta(\tau - \tau_n)$$

- $c_n$ : amplitude of the  $n$ th propagation path.
- $\tau_n$ : time delay of the  $n$ th propagation.
- $\phi_n$ : phase of the  $n$ th propagation.
- TV: time-varying

# Channel Impulse Response

- Assumption:** The distance between the BS and the MS is sufficiently large so that the radio propagation environment can be modeled as two-dimensional (2-D).



Mixed Rx: 
$$h(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_n \sum_n \sum_n c_n e^{j(\phi_n(t) - \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{d}_n(t))} \delta(\tau - \tau_n(t))$$
  
(multiple antennas)

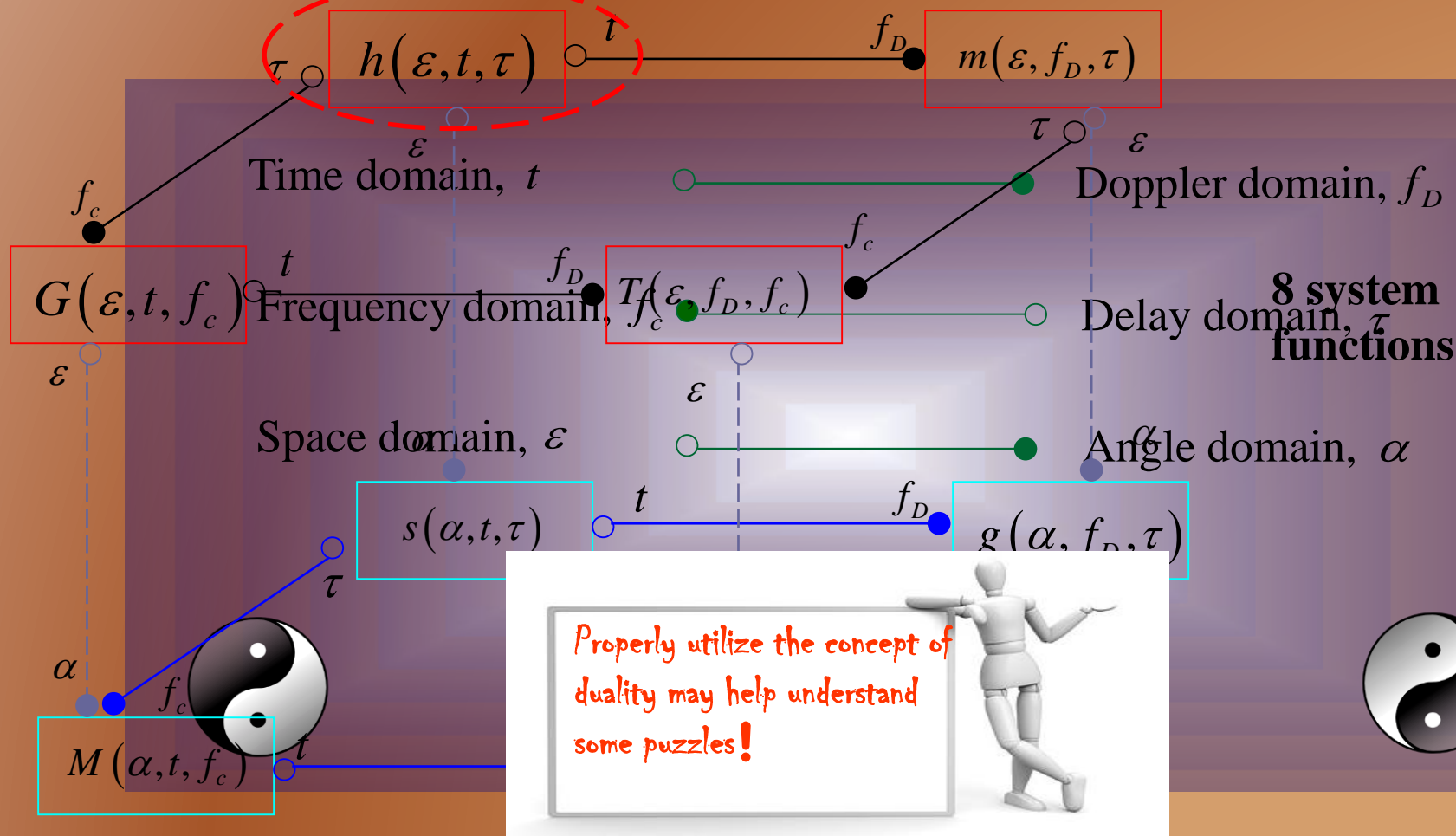
$$2\pi f_D \left\{ \frac{d'_n}{c} \cos \theta_n + \frac{d''_n}{c} \cos \theta'_n + \frac{d'''_n}{c} \cos \theta''_n \right\} \quad \lambda^{-1} = \frac{f_c}{c}$$

**Multipath**      **Motion of the Rx** : speed of light      **Multiple antennas**      Maximum Doppler frequency



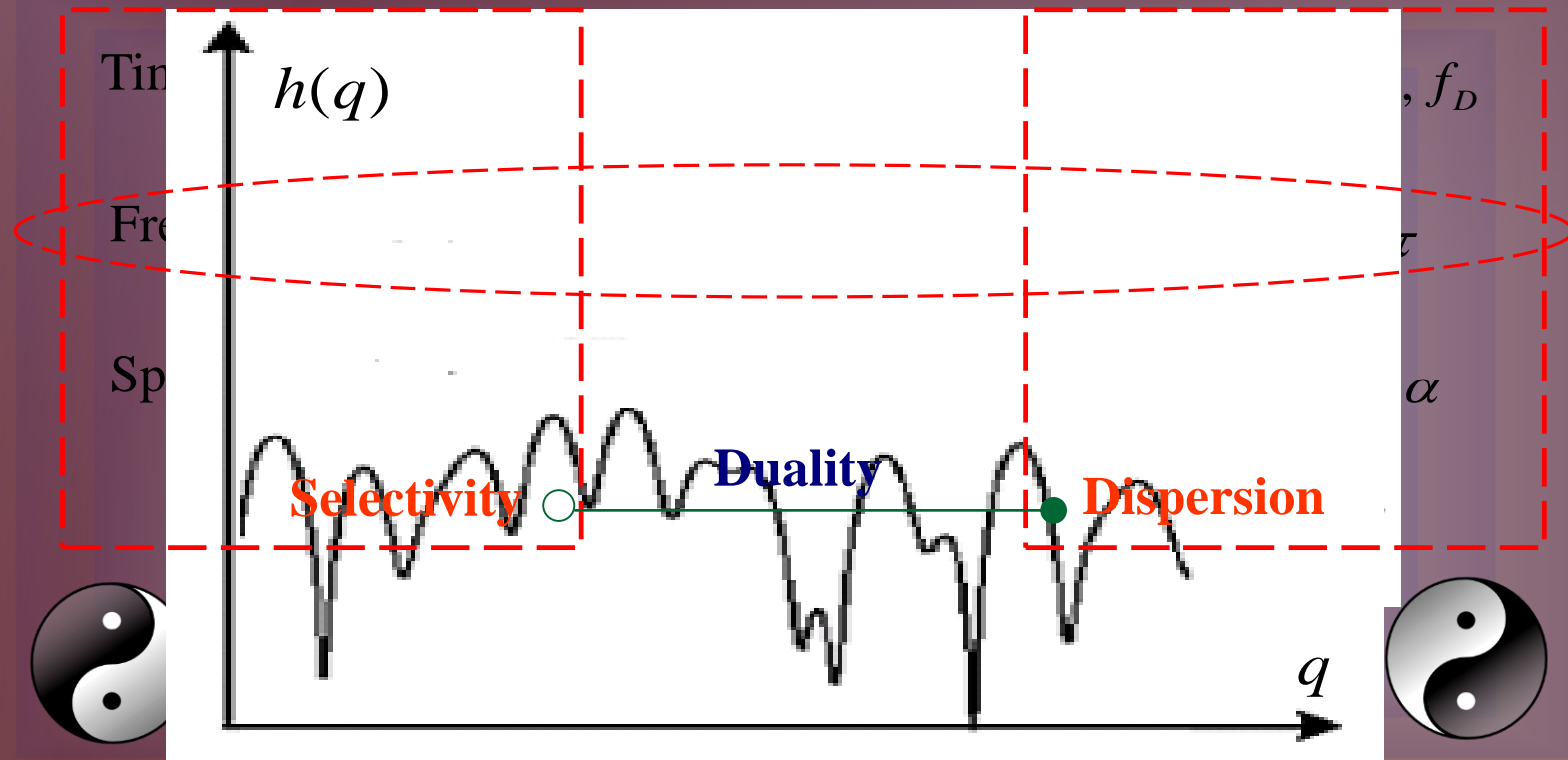
# Duality of Wireless Channels

- Duality: to express the same phenomena in different domains.

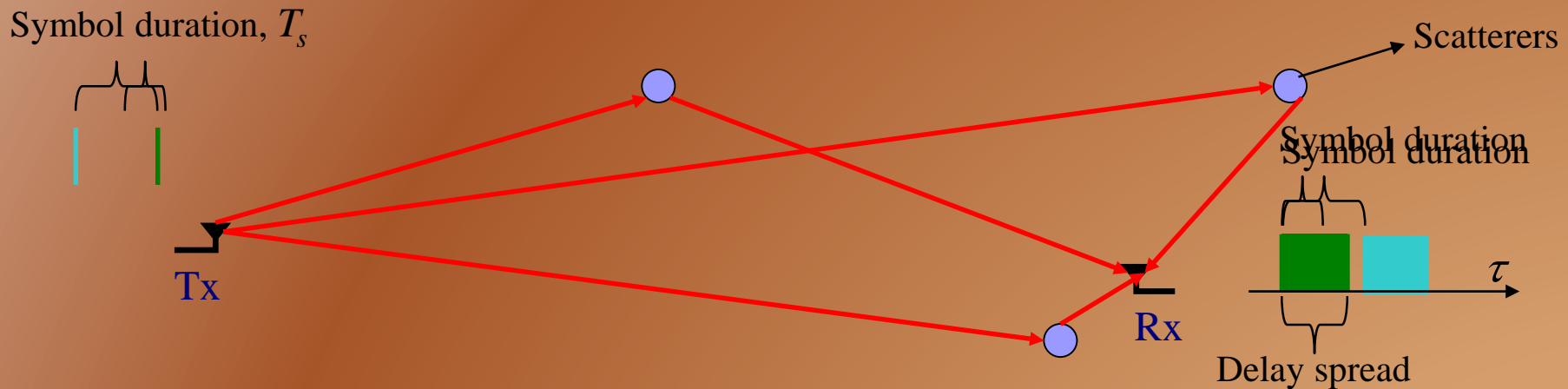


# Dispersion and Selectivity of Wireless Channels

- **Dispersion:** spread effect of wireless channels, which means that wireless channels spread the transmitted signal in a certain domain.
- **Selectivity:** wireless channel changes over a certain domain.



# Delay Dispersion



- **Delay dispersion:** multipaths with different time delays lead to the spread of the transmitted signal.
  - Measured by delay spread,  $De_s$ ,  $De_s := \max |\tau_i - \tau_j|$ .

Impulse response: 
$$h(\tau) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c}} \delta(\tau - \tau_n)$$

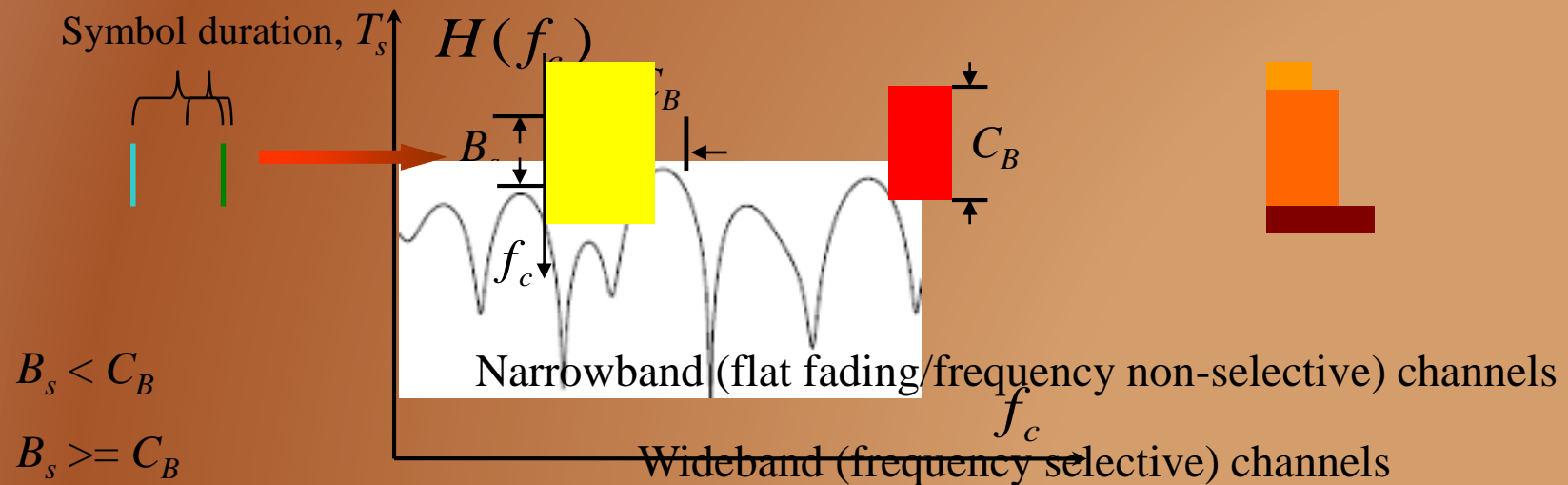
$T_s > De_s$	No inter-symbol interference (ISI)	Narrowband (frequency non-selective) channels
$T_s \leq De_s$	Inter-symbol interference (ISI)	Wideband (frequency selective) channels

# Frequency Seclectivity

$$h(\tau) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c}} \delta(\tau - \tau_n) \xrightarrow[\tau]{\text{Fourier transform}} H(f_c) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c}} e^{-j2\pi f_c \tau_n}$$

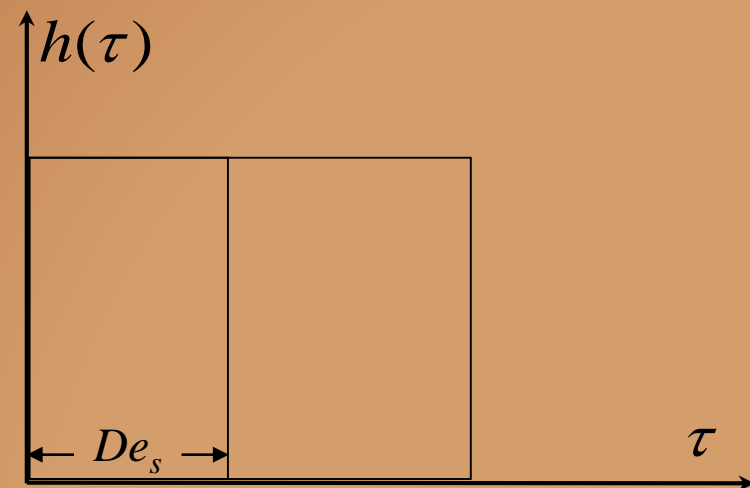
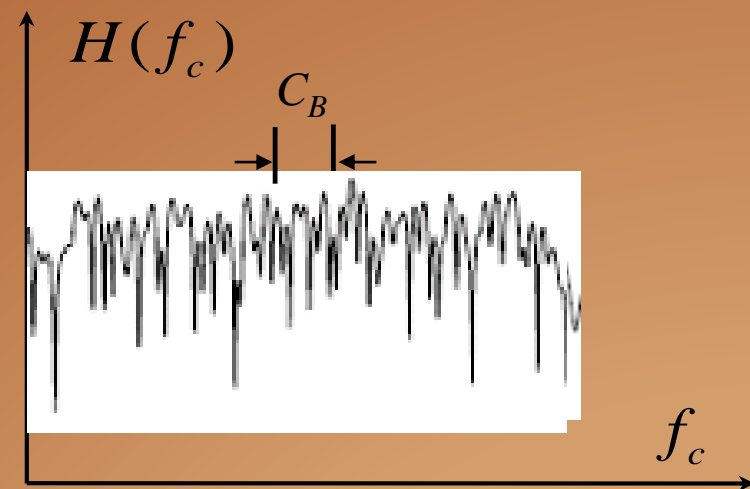
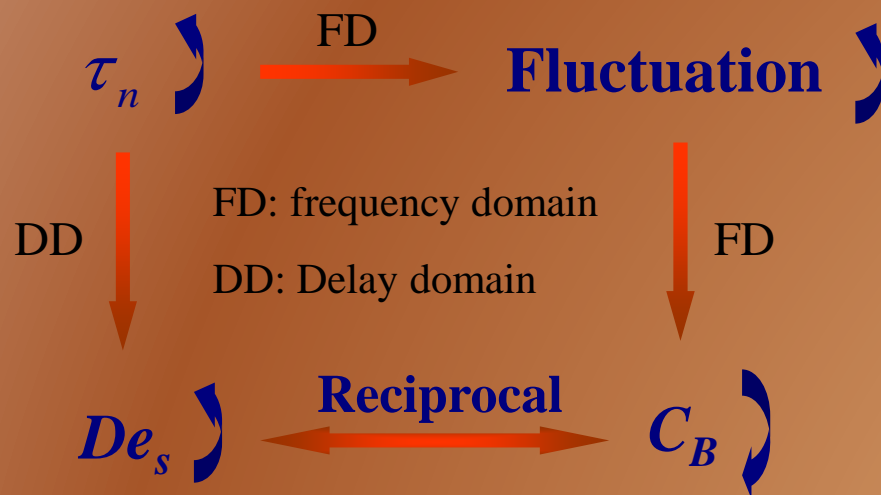
Impulse response  Transfer function

- **Frequency selectivity:** channel changes over frequency.
  - Measured by coherence bandwidth,  $C_B$ : the bandwidth over which channels express similar characteristic.



# Delay Dispersion-Frequency Selectivity Duality

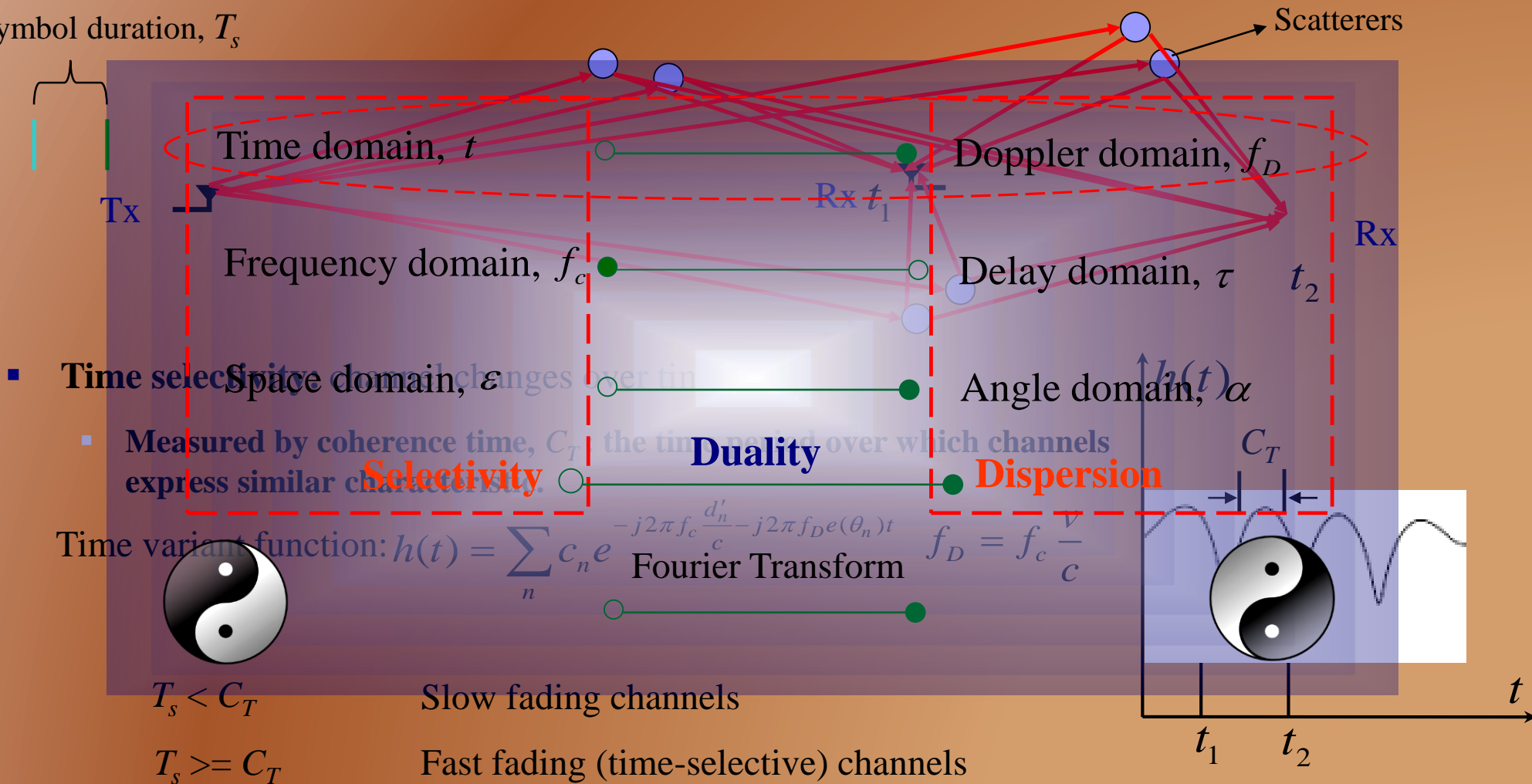
Transfer function 
$$H(f_c) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c}} e^{-j2\pi f_c \tau_n}$$



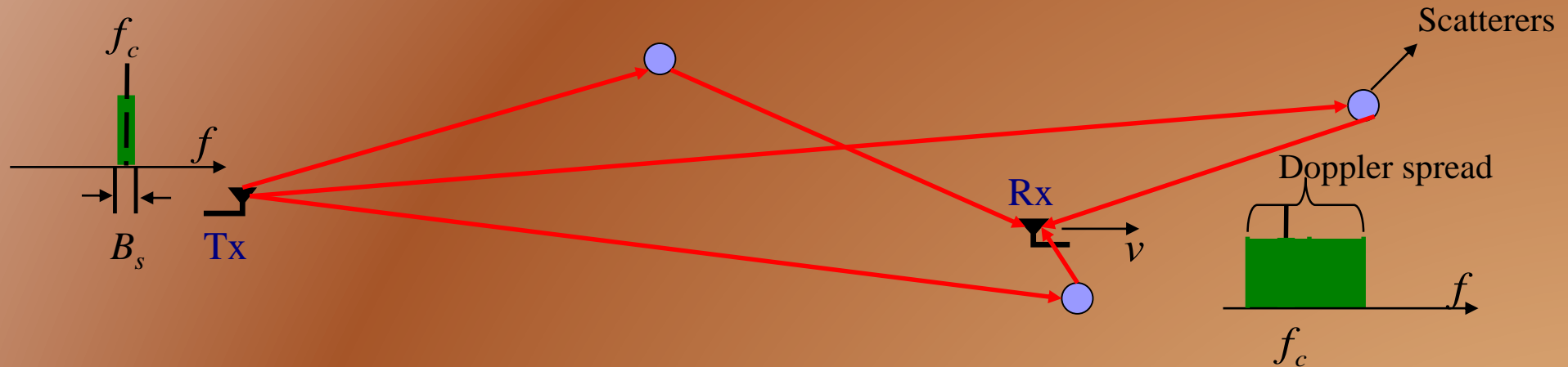
- A wireless channel with higher  $De_s$  (lower  $C_B$ ) is easier to be a wideband channel.
- A wireless system with higher transmission rate (higher signal wideband) is easier to incur wideband channels.



# Time Selectivity



# Doppler Dispersion



- **Doppler dispersion:** the motion of the Rx results in a broadening of the transmitted signal spectrum.
  - Measured by Doppler spread,  $D_s$ ,  $D_s := \max |f_D \cdot e(\theta_i) - f_D \cdot e(\theta_j)|$ .

$$h(t) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c} - j2\pi f_D e(\theta_n) t} \xrightarrow[\text{Inverse Fourier transform}]{t} T(f_D) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c}} \delta(f_D - f_D^n)$$

$$B_s > D_s$$

Slow fading channels

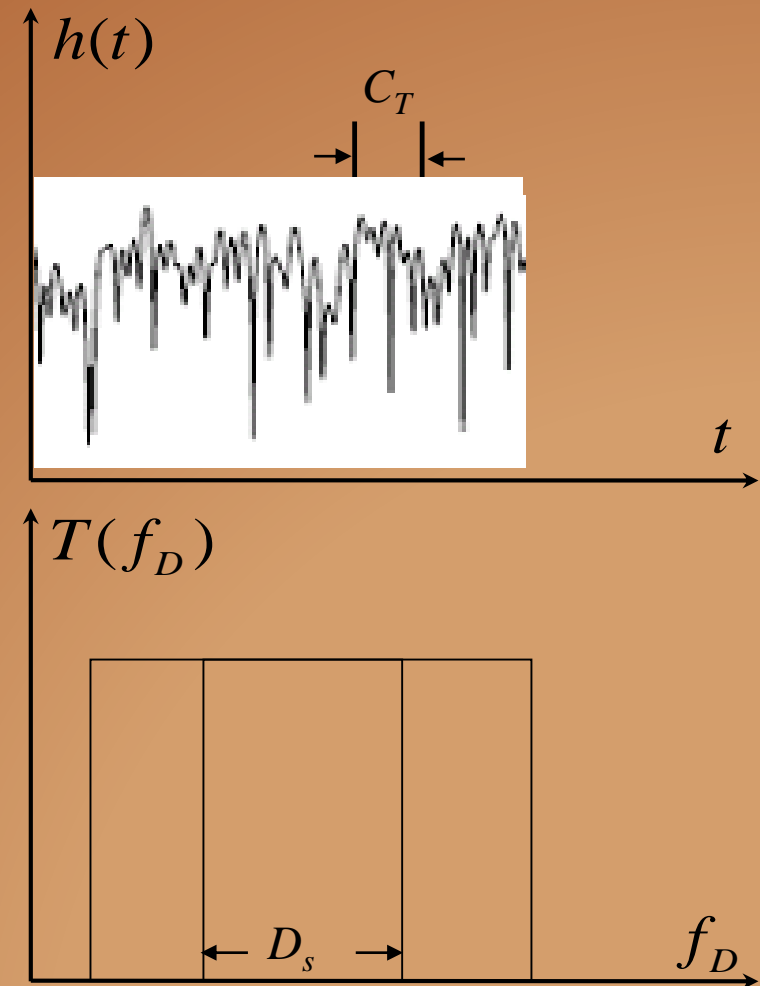
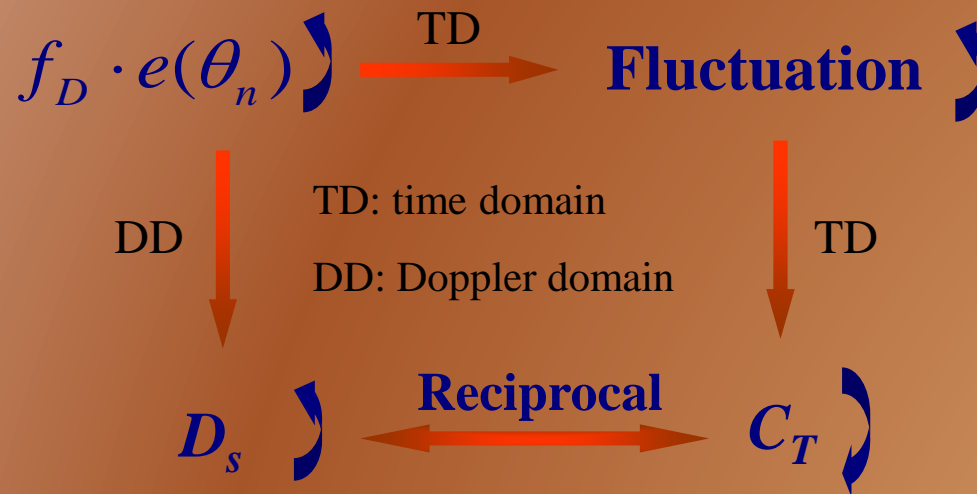
$$B_s \leq D_s$$

Fast fading (time-selective) channels

# Doppler Dispersion-Time Selectivity Duality

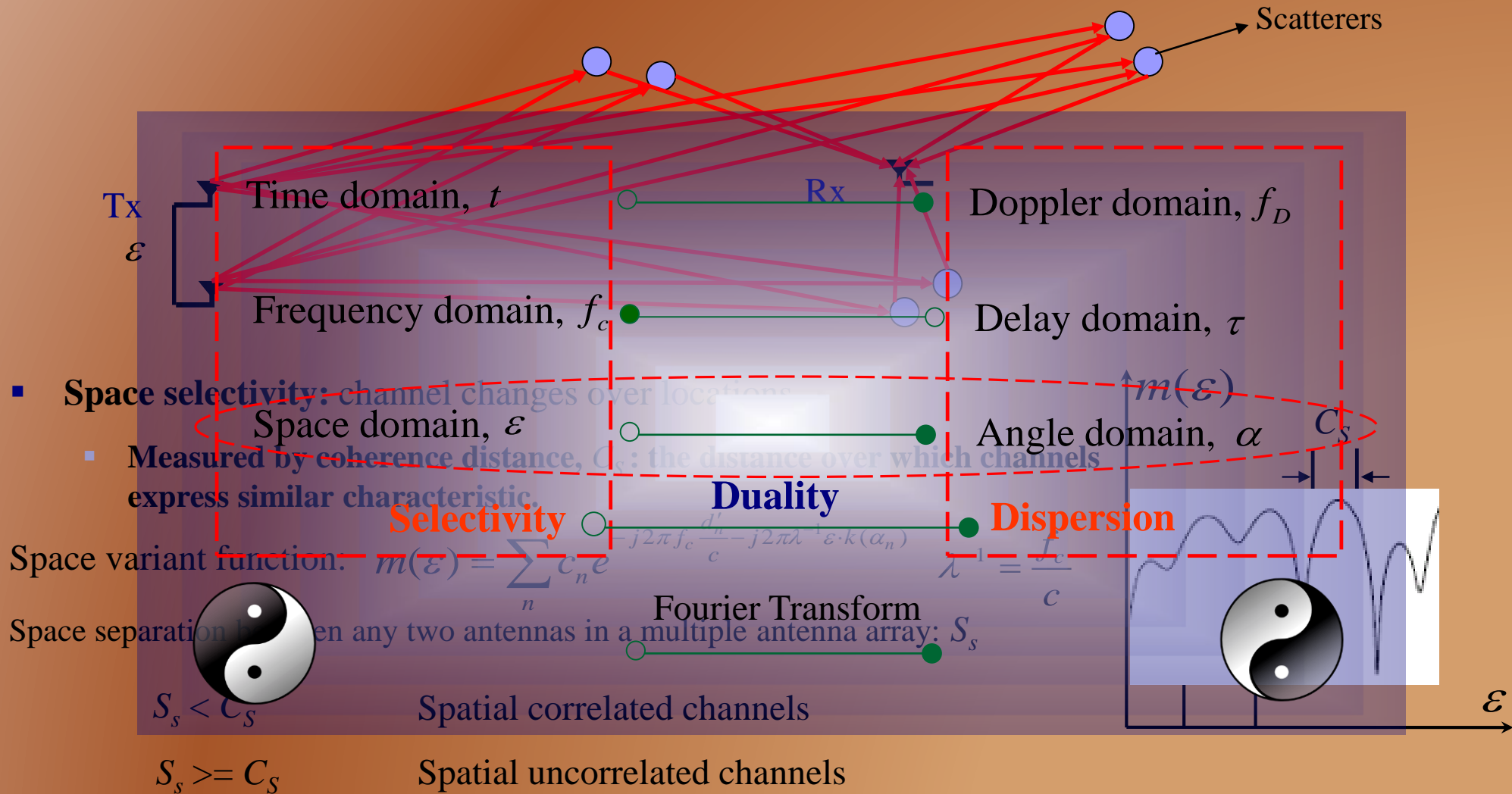
Time variant function 
$$h(t) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c} - j2\pi f_D e(\theta_n)t}$$

$$f_D = f_c \frac{v}{c}$$

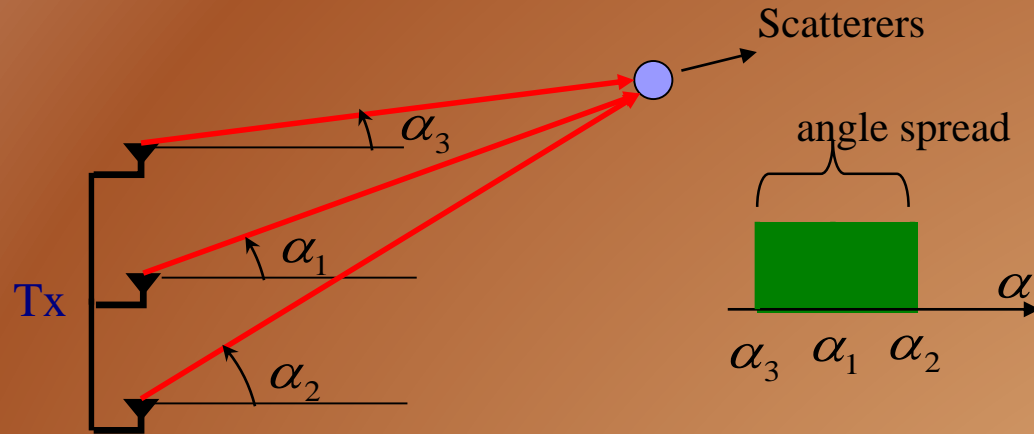


- A wireless channel with higher  $D_s$  (lower  $C_T$ ) is easier to be a fast fading channel.
- A wireless system with higher transmission rate (higher signal wideband) is easier to incur slow fading channels.

# Space Selectivity



# Angle Dispersion



- **Angle dispersion:** multiple antennas lead to the spread of the transmitted signal in angle domain.
  - Measured by angle spread,  $A_s$ ,  $A_s := \max |\alpha'_i - \alpha'_j|$ .

$$m(\varepsilon) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c} - j2\pi \lambda^{-1} \varepsilon \cdot k(\alpha_n)} \xrightarrow[\varepsilon]{\text{Inverse Fourier transform}} M(\alpha) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c}} \delta(\alpha - \alpha'_n)$$

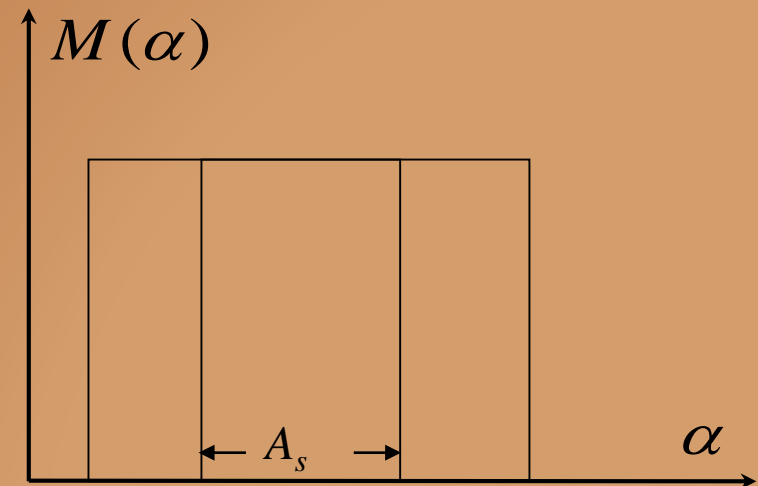
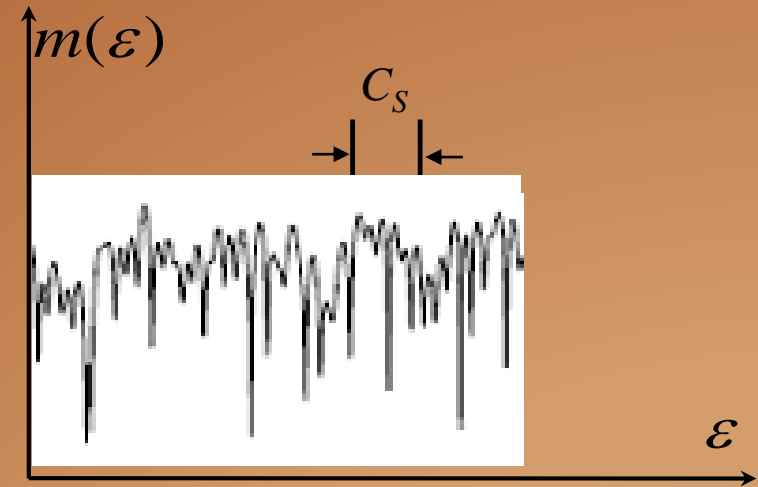
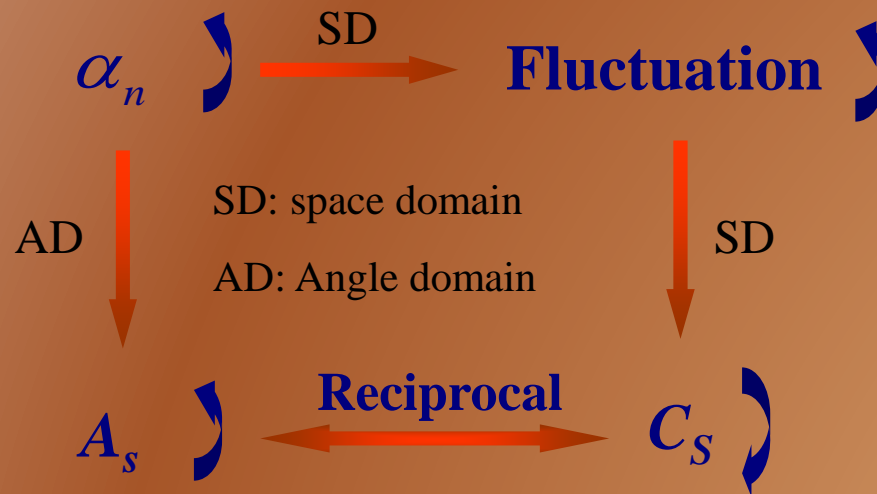
- Angle dispersion also relates to the pattern of multiple antenna arrays!



# Angle Dispersion-Distance Selectivity Duality

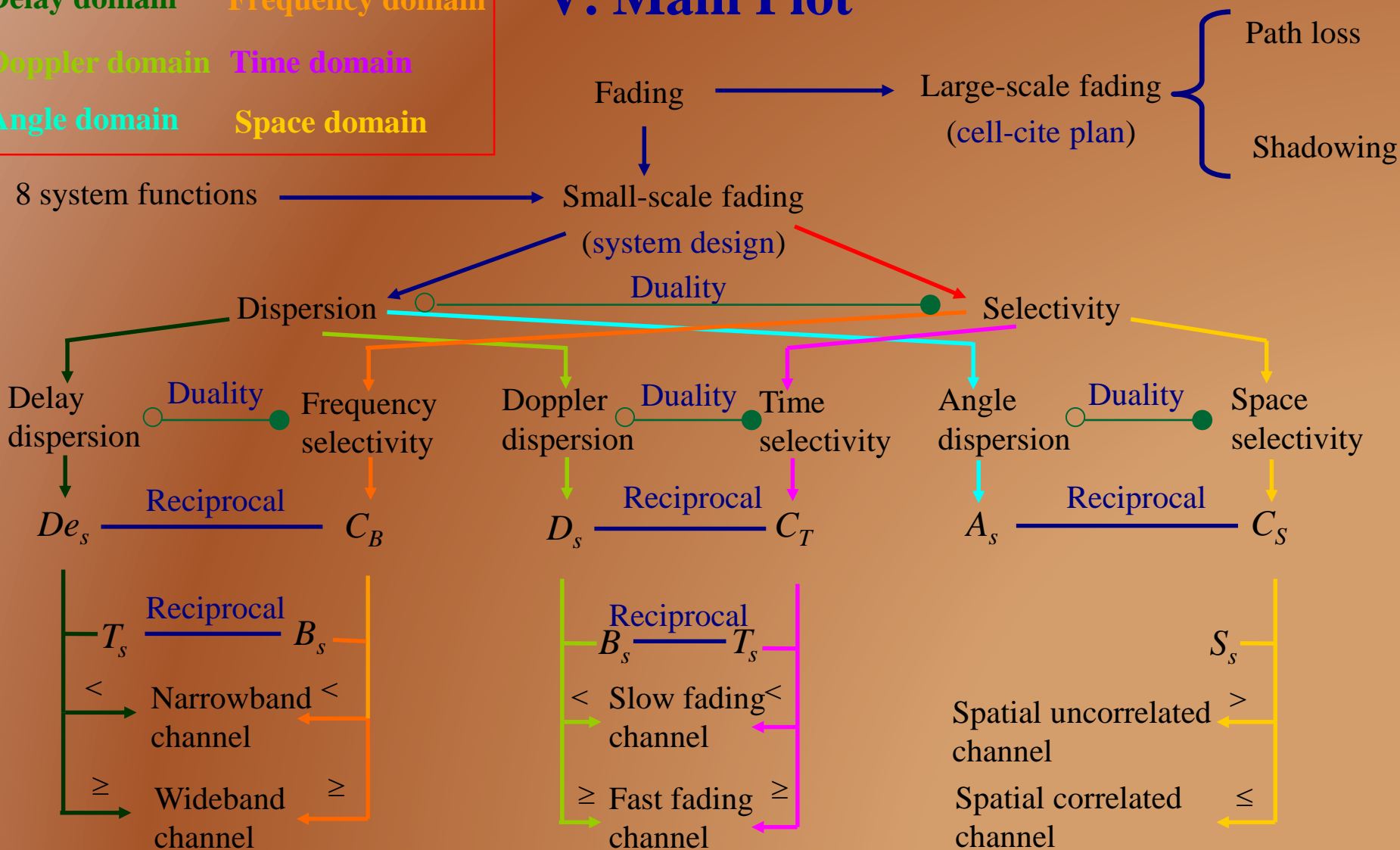
Time variant function  $m(\varepsilon) = \sum_n c_n e^{-j2\pi f_c \frac{d'_n}{c} - j2\pi \lambda^{-1} \varepsilon \cdot k(\alpha_n)}$

$$\lambda^{-1} = \frac{f_c}{c}$$



- A wireless channel with higher  $A_s$  (lower  $C_s$ ) is easier to be a spatial uncorrelated channel.
- A multiple antenna wireless system with larger antenna spacing is easier to incur spatial uncorrelated channels.

## V. Main Plot



# Thank you for your attention!

