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2. Data Link Layer	Switch MAC	Rule: Ethernet: CSMA/CD NIC/Bridge/AP	
1. Physical	Cables hub	wired/wireless modem, repeater, transceiver → copper, coax, fiber. TP → STP/UTP	Antenna Physical wireless

YTB Electromagnetic Spectrum Explained.
YTB Sunny Electromagnetic Waves.

Radio - used broadcast radio & television

Microwaves used in cooking, radar, telephone & other signals

infrared

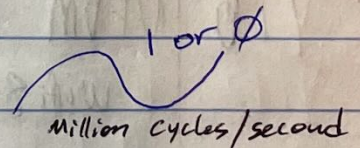
visible light

ultraviolet

X rays

Gamma Rays - used in medicine

One cycle/second is Hertz "Hz".



Wireless Concepts

Wireless LANs (WLANs) transmit signals thru air via radio frequency (RF).

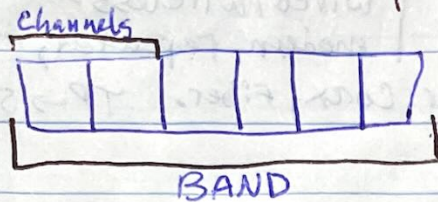
Wireless Spectrum.

ALL wireless signals carried thru air by Electromagnetic (EM) waves.

Radio - transmitter, receiver, the more powerful the transmitter & receiver, the further apart they can be spaced.

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Wireless Concepts

Common WLAN frequency bands: 2.4 GHz, 5 GHz, 6 GHz



Summary
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FHSS - Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum.

- Hedy Lamarr - FHSS inventor.

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DSSS - Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum

- More bandwidth
- encoded data; &
- low-power density & noise-like signals.

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OFDM Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing
wifi 802.11ac

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802.11

a b g WiFi n &

→ Wi-Fi Expert Part II: Wi-Fi Frequency Bands & channels

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2.4 GHz Frequency Band Allocation
b g WiFi n

- 13 usable channels
- Channel 1 starts at 2.412 GHz

Only 3 in the US - channels 1, 6 & 11.

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Frequency Bands

802.11 Wifi

2.4 ghz

5 ghz

6 ghz

802.11b

802.11a

802.11g

802.11n

802.11ac

802.11ax

11 mbps

54 mbps

54 mbps

2.4/5 ghz

5 ghz

2.4/5 @ ghz

Let's

WiFi Expert Part III: Cutting the Cord.

1 Hz = 1 cycle / second

1 GHz = 1 billion cycles / second.

Travels the Furthest - 2.4 GHz band
can penetrate solid objects.

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2.4 GHz vs 5 GHz Wifi: what is the difference?

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Which channel should I pick: 1, 6 or 11: A metaGeek Tutorial

1 6 11 does not overlap.

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802.3

ethernet

10 Mbps.

802.1q or Dot1q

vlan trunk

802.1x

NAC

802.11

Wifi

2.4 GHz - channel 1, 6, 11

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CSMA/CD & CSMA/CA Explained

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CSMA/CA - Wireless medium access control protocol
Wireless Standard

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MU-MIMO Explained

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MIMO - multiple input - multiple output

APs/STAs w/ multiple antennas (802.11n & above) will transmit/receive concurrently.

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Explained: wifi 1 2 3 4 5 6

^{old}
802.11a

^{new}
wifi 2

11 b

wifi 1

11 g

wifi 3

11 n

wifi 4

11 ac

wifi 5

11 ax

wifi 6

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Wifi 6 explained 802.11ax

9.6 Gbps - is shared across multiple devices.

MU-MIMO - available in both download/upload.

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Wifi-7 Explained 802.11be

1 — b

2 — a

3 — g

4 — n

5 — ac

6 — ax

7 — be