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Short-Range Optical Wireless Communications
Kickoff Tutorial

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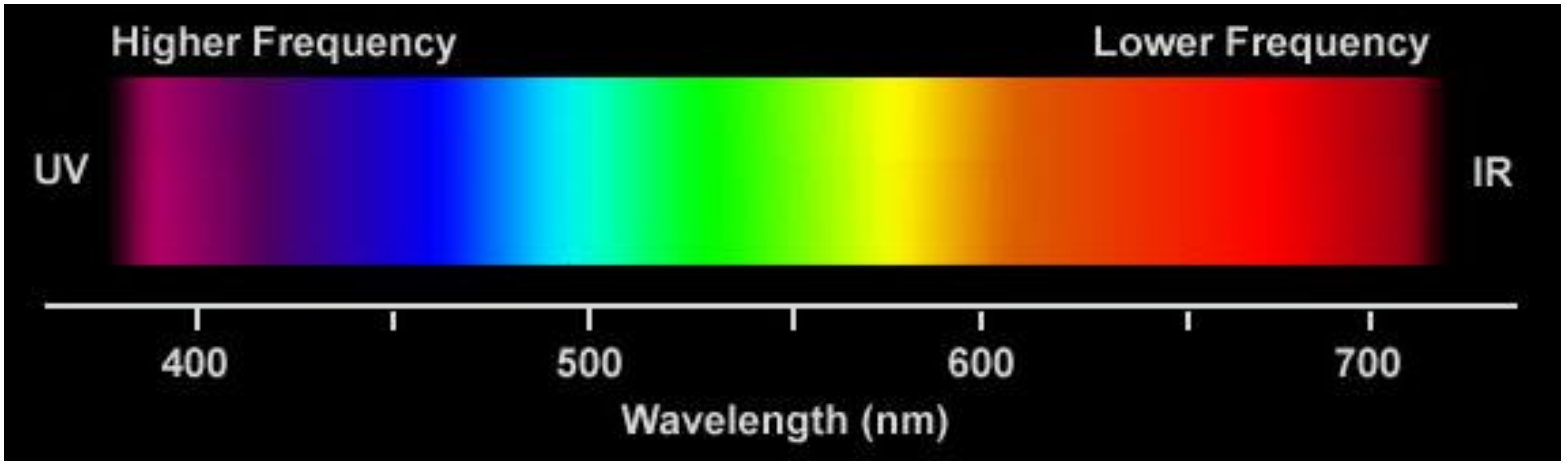
Part 1: Introduction

Base standard … IEEE802.15.7-2011 Short-Range Wireless Optical Communication Using Visible Light

Originally wanted to write an amendment to add IR/UV PHY options but the word “visible” in the base standard title required a revision to change the title.



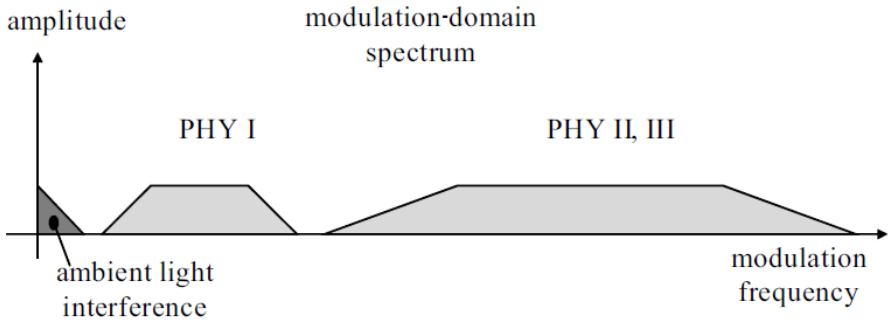


Figure 4—FDM separation of the PHY types in the modulation domain

Table 73—PHY I operating modes

Modulation	RLL code	Optical clock rate	FEC		Data rate
			Outer code (RS)	Inner code (CC)	
OOK	Manchester	200 kHz	(15,7)	1/4	11.67 kb/s
			(15,11)	1/3	24.44 kb/s
			(15,11)	2/3	48.89 kb/s
			(15,11)	none	73.3 kb/s
			none	none	100 kb/s
VPPM	4B6B	400 kHz	(15,2)	none	35.56 kb/s
			(15,4)	none	71.11 kb/s
			(15,7)	none	124.4 kb/s
			none	none	266.6 kb/s

Table 74—PHY II operating modes

Modulation	RLL code	Optical clock rate	FEC	Data rate
VPPM	4B6B	3.75 MHz	RS(64,32)	1.25 Mb/s
			RS(160,128)	2 Mb/s
		7.5 MHz	RS(64,32)	2.5 Mb/s
			RS(160,128)	4 Mb/s
			none	5 Mb/s
OOK	8B10B	15 MHz	RS(64,32)	6 Mb/s
			RS(160,128)	9.6 Mb/s
		30 MHz	RS(64,32)	12 Mb/s
			RS(160,128)	19.2 Mb/s
		60 MHz	RS(64,32)	24 Mb/s
			RS(160,128)	38.4 Mb/s
		120 MHz	RS(64,32)	48 Mb/s
			RS(160,128)	76.8 Mb/s
			none	96 Mb/s

Table 75—PHY III operating modes

Modulation	Optical clock rate	FEC	Data rate
4-CSK	12 MHz	RS(64,32)	12 Mb/s
8-CSK		RS(64,32)	18 Mb/s
4-CSK	24 MHz	RS(64,32)	24 Mb/s
8-CSK		RS(64,32)	36 Mb/s
16-CSK		RS(64,32)	48 Mb/s
8-CSK		none	72 Mb/s
16-CSK		none	96 Mb/s

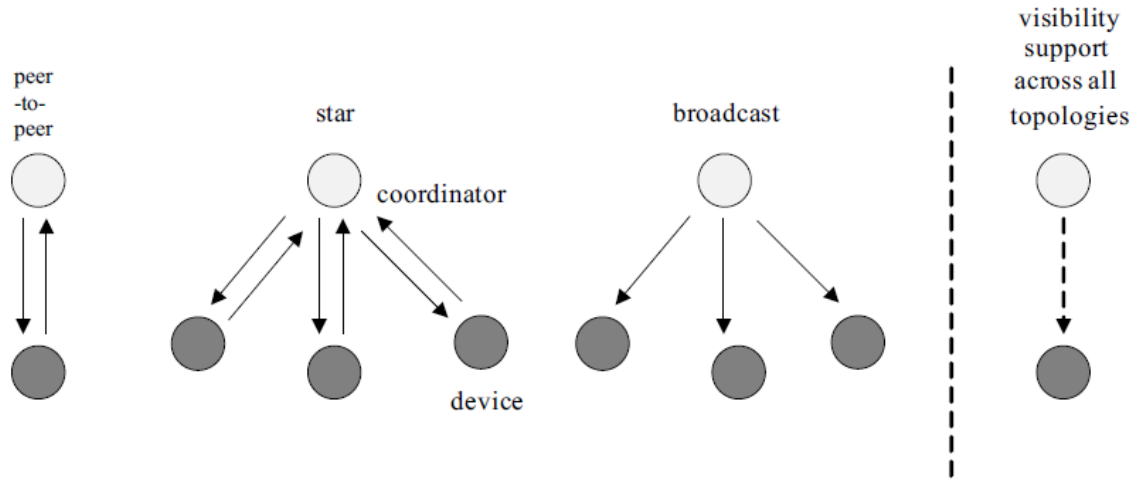


Figure 1—Supported MAC topologies

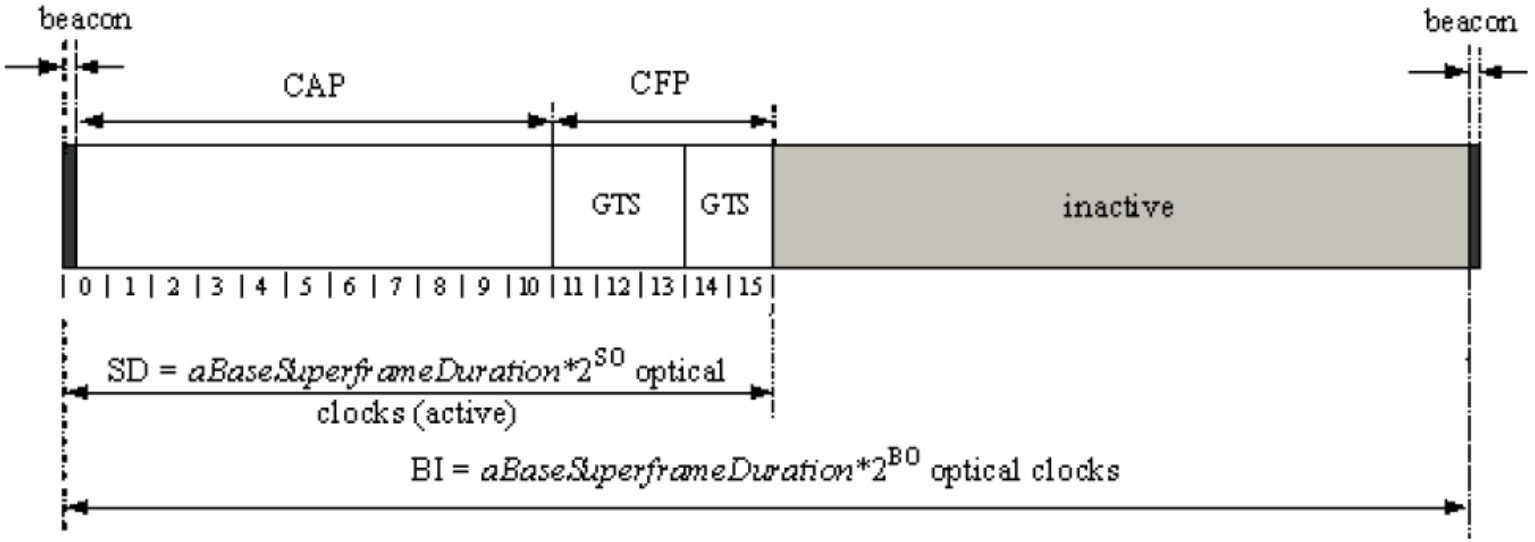


Figure 13—An example of the superframe structure

Part 2: Optical Camera Communications PHY

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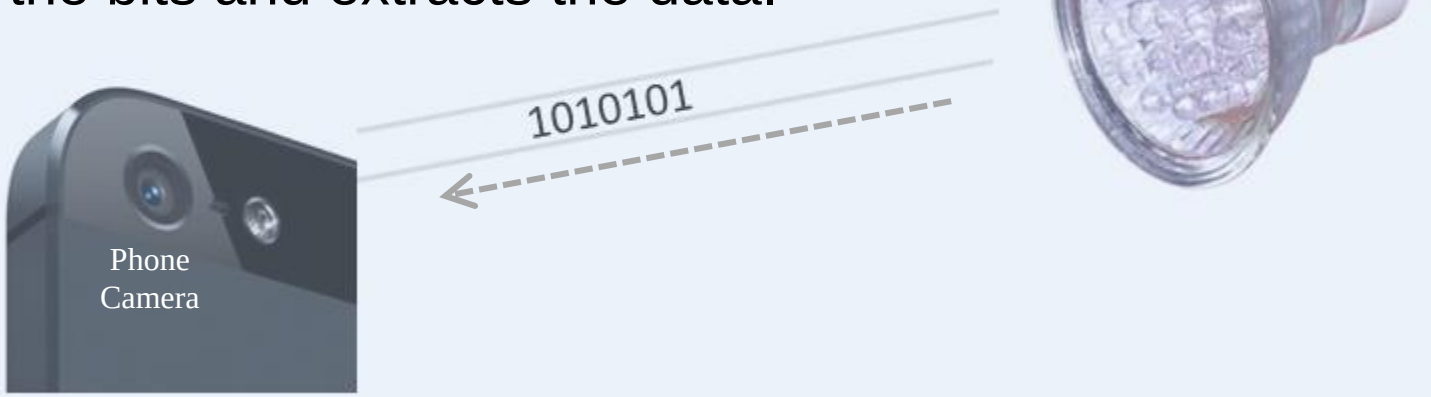
Optical Camera Communications (OCC)

A Pragmatic Form of Visible Light Communications

OCC is modulating an LED light with data bits that can be received by a camera, which then decodes the bits and extracts the data.



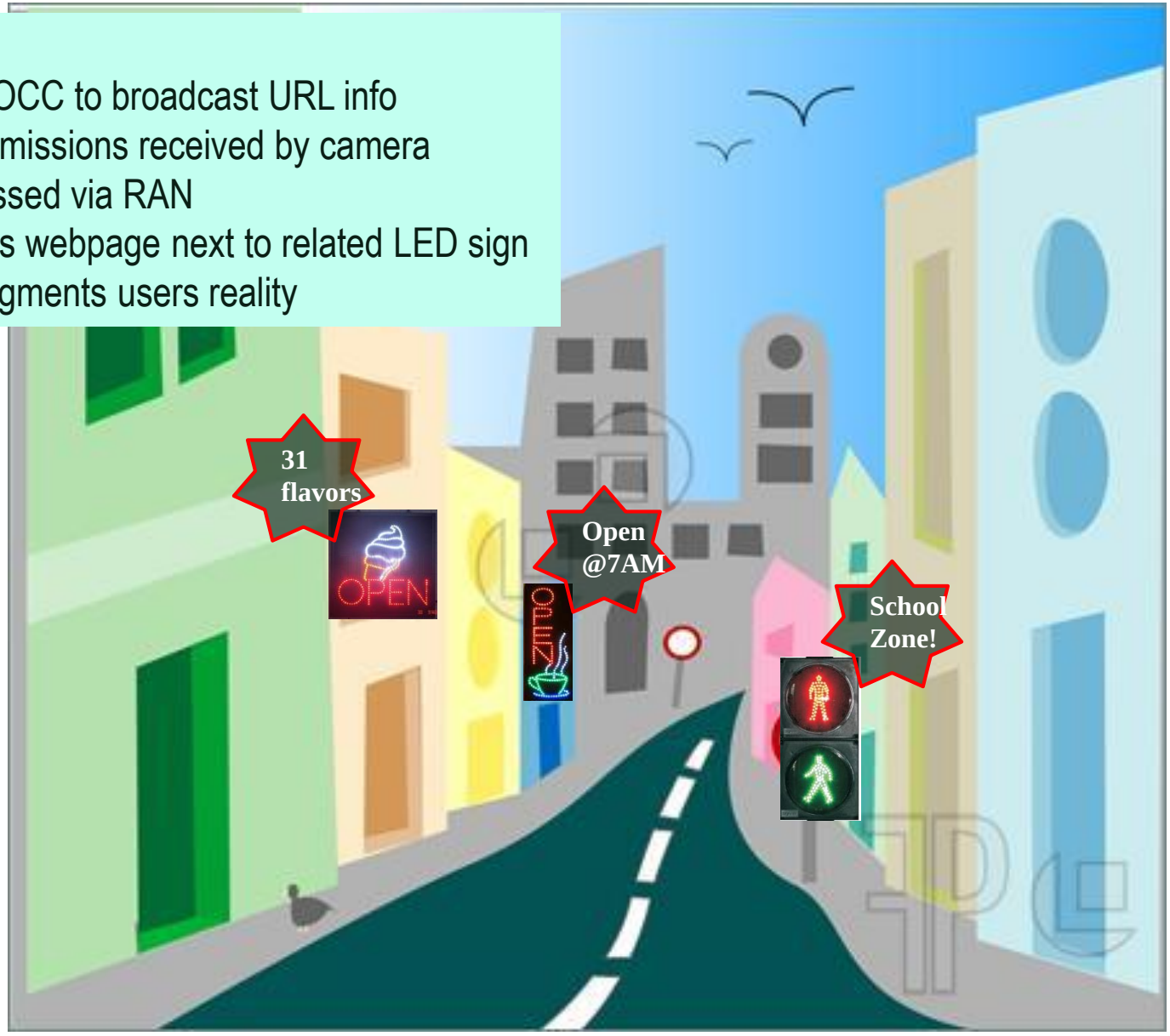
Today we have millions of mobile devices enabled to receive visible light communications via the camera, but we lack standards to describe the modulation format.

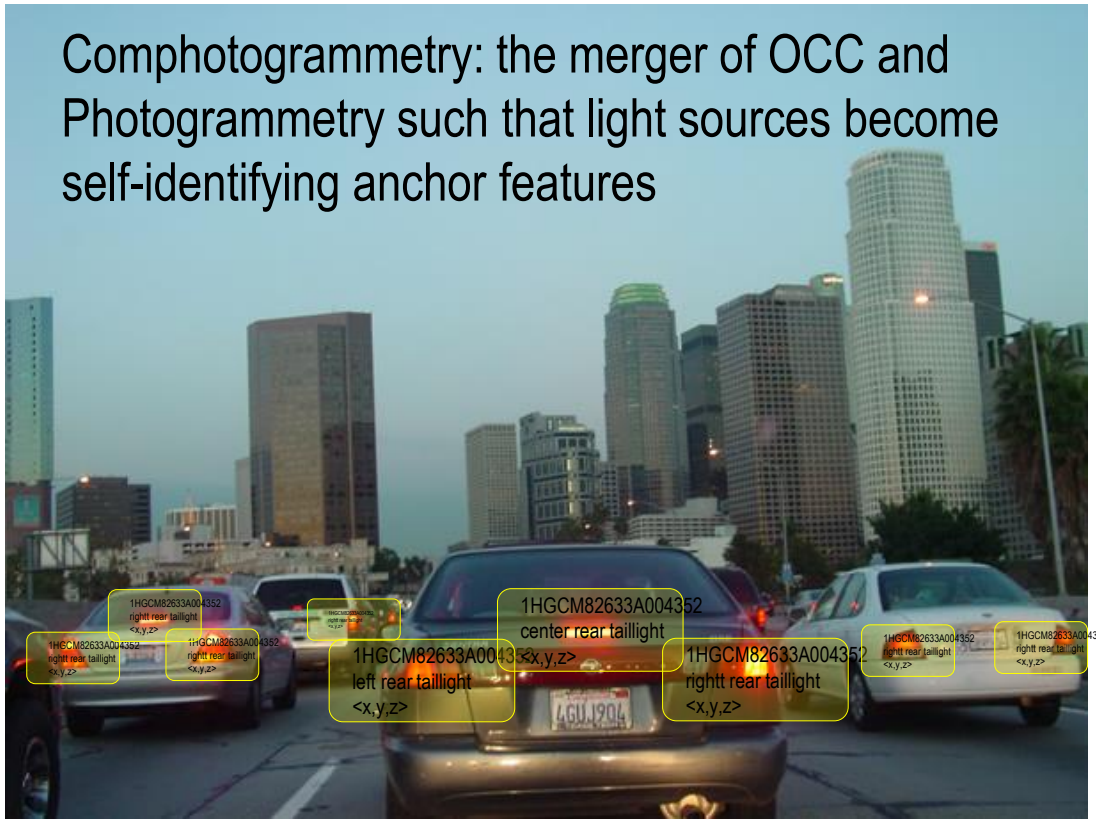
This contribution discusses some OCC topics of interest.

Basic idea:

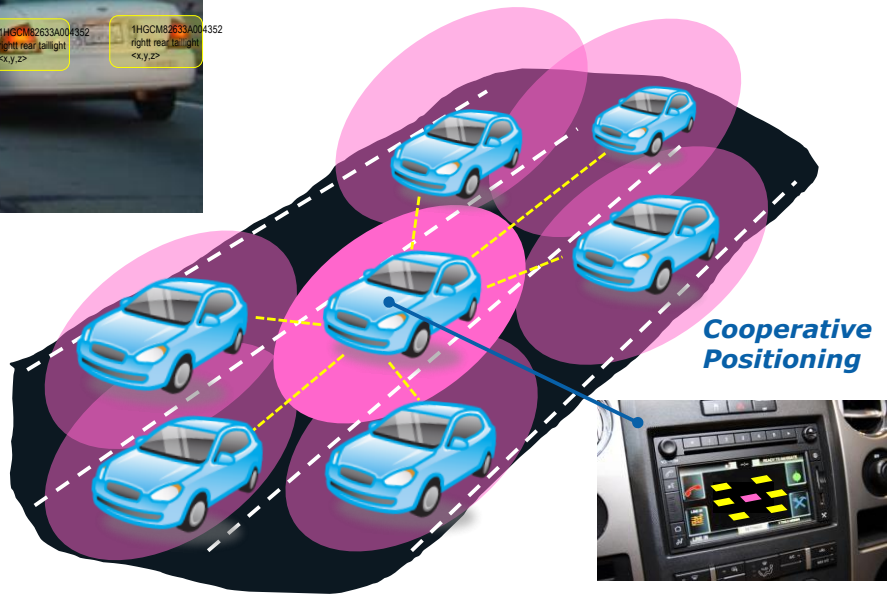
- each LED sign uses OCC to broadcast URL info
- multiple parallel transmissions received by camera
- each web page accessed via RAN
- Google Glass displays webpage next to related LED sign
- added information augments users reality

Augmented Reality

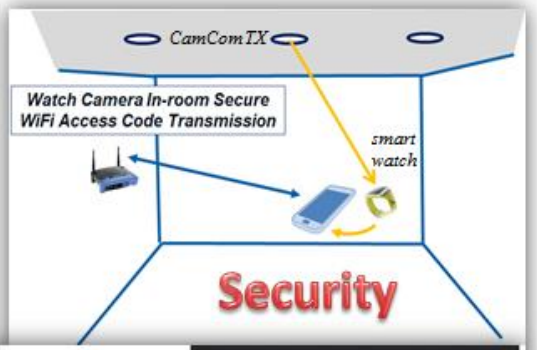




High Resolution Automobile Positioning



Optical Camera Communications & Photogrammetry Positioning Applications



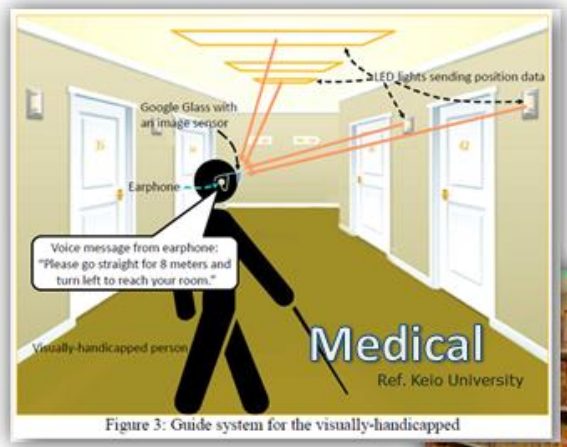
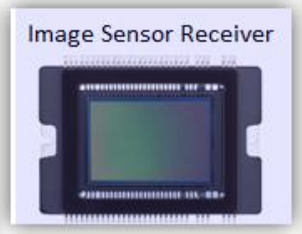
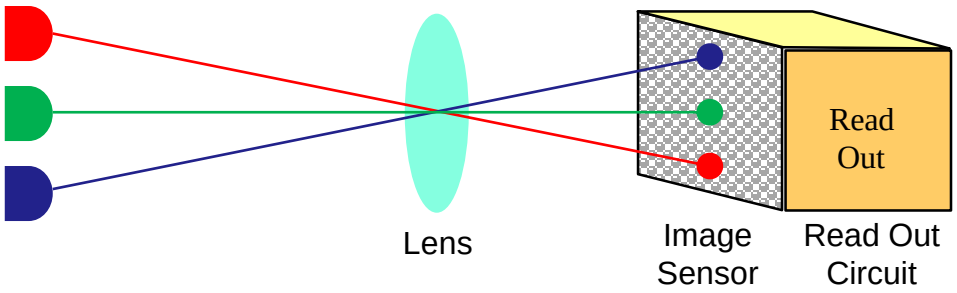


Figure 3: Guide system for the visually-handicapped



But first some basics about electronic cameras



Camera basic components

- Lens … spatially separates sources
- Image Sensor … array of photodiode pixels
- Readout Circuit … convert pixel signal to digital data

Cameras differ on how the pixels are exposed

- Global Shutter … simultaneously expose all the pixels per frame
- Rolling Shutter … time sequentially expose each row of pixels per frame

Because of camera lens properties, spatial separation of multiple sources is possible enabling MIMO transmission.

Example LED Signage

This LED sign has 321 LEDs …

- each LED illuminates a unique pixel in the image sensor
- each LED can transmit a unique data stream
- 321 x 321 MIMO !!!

CamCom data recovering algorithm on mobile platform

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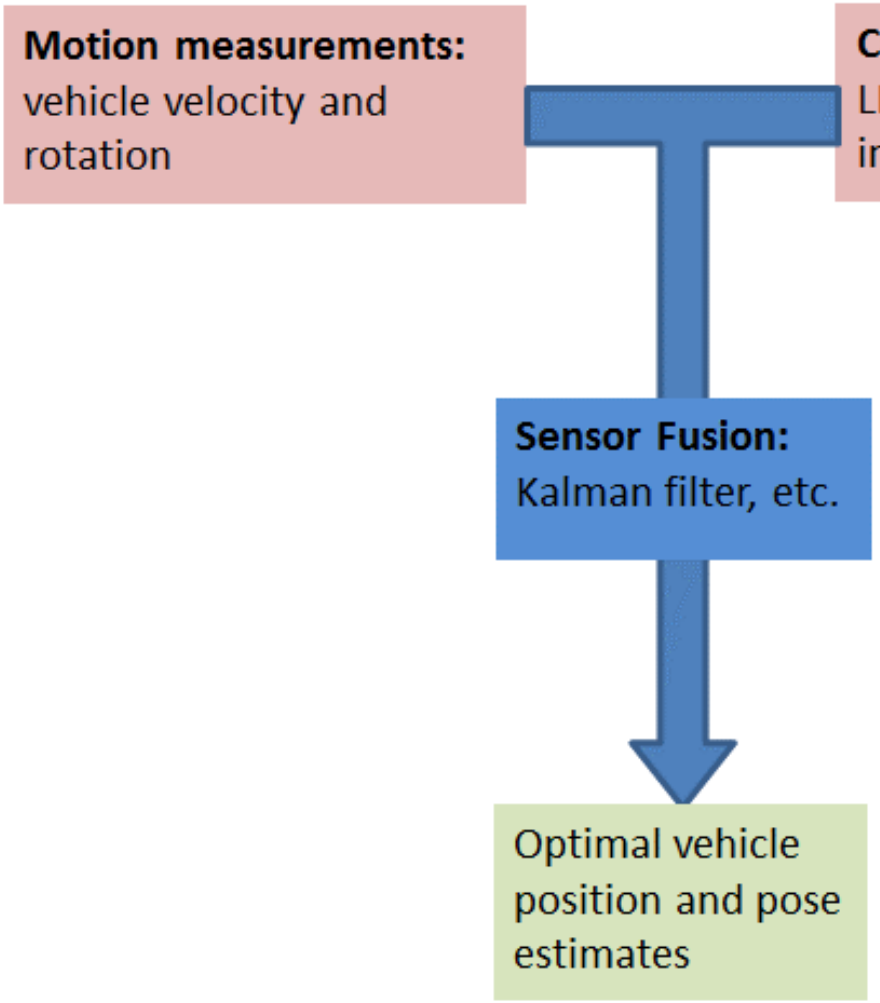
VLC Aided Navigation System



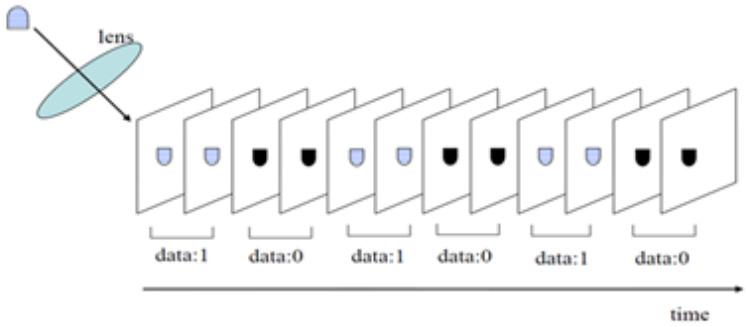
To take advantage of camera measurements in the sensor fusion process, the LED projections need to be extracted and recognized.

- LED candidates are extracted by thresholding the pixel intensity values.
- LEDs are correctly recognized by their unique IDs.

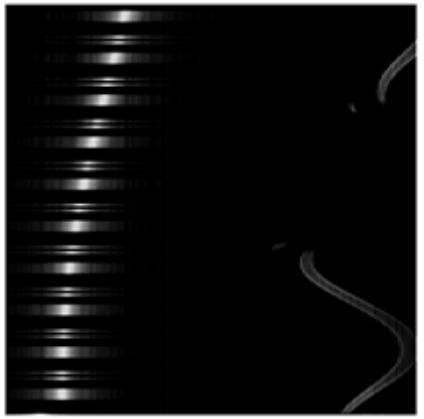
LED Data Recovery Problem when moving

Why need to recover LED data?

- Communication
- Recognize LED source



LED projections in a sequence of images



LED projections in a sequence of linear array scans

Recovering the LED data is not straight forward since:

- Multiple LED projections within FOV
- Noise and clutter
- Moving sensor causes moving LED projection onto array.
  - Is this bit a zero or am I looking at the wrong pixel?

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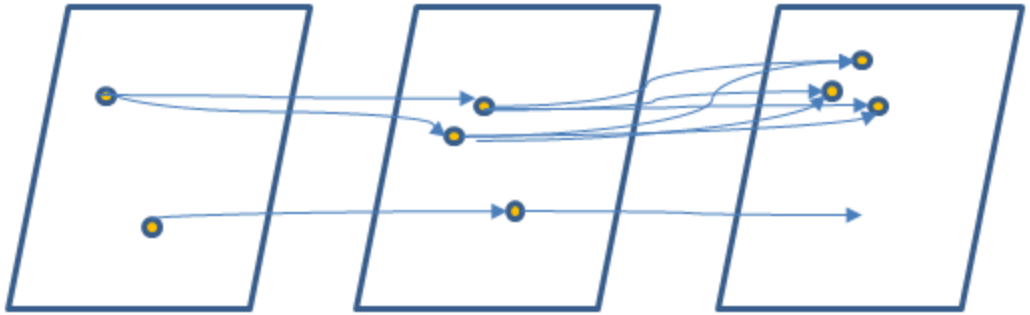
One Algorithm: MHT Based Data Recovery

Multiple hypothesis tracking based algorithm

- Recover the data association hypothesis Instead of searching the LED projection position

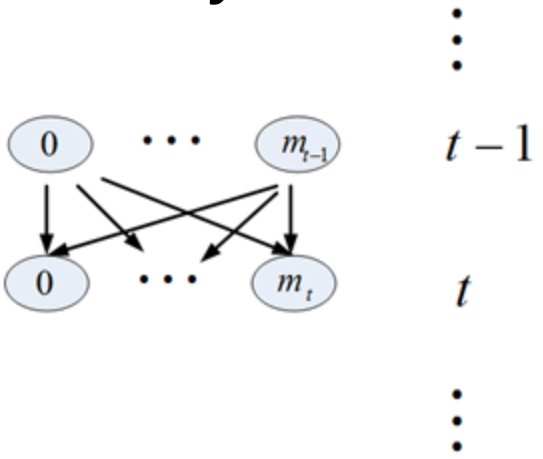


The figure illustrates two LEDs' projections in three consecutive images. The blue lines are the LED projection path hypotheses.

- Each LED projection path corresponds an LED data
- The MHT based algorithm tries to evaluate the probability of each path hypothesis.

MHT Based Data Recovery

- Multiple hypothesis tracking based algorithm
  - Different idea with Viterbi based algorithm
    - Recover the data association hypothesis Instead of searching the LED projection position



- Applicable when the rover is moving
- Applicable both for camera and linear array
- More computational cost

- Evaluate the probability of each pair of data association

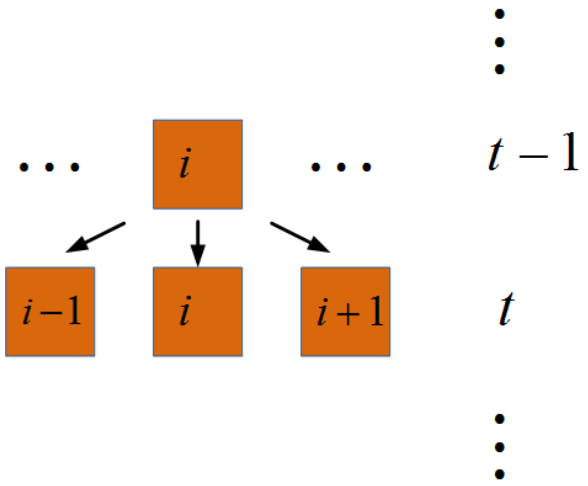
$$\{0,0\},\{0,1\}\cdots\{i,j\}\cdots\{m_{t-1},m_t\}$$

- If the length of frames is K, the total number of data association hypotheses for one LED is

$$L_K=\prod_{k=1}^{K}(m_k+1)$$

Another Algorithm: Viterbi-based Data Recovery

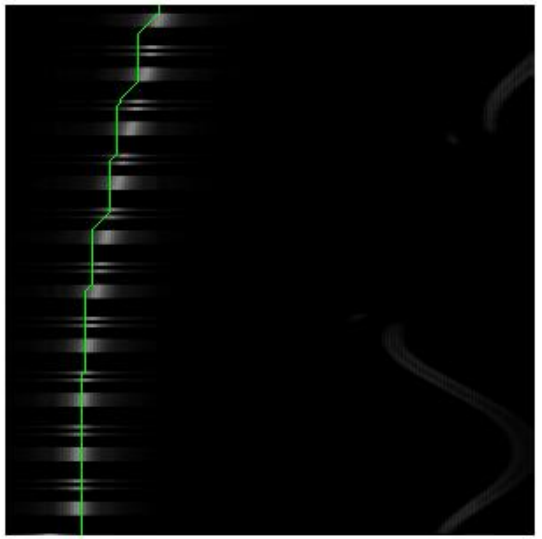
- Apply Viterbi algorithm to the data recovery problem of linear array.



Assumption:

- The movement of LED projection in two consecutive scans if bounded

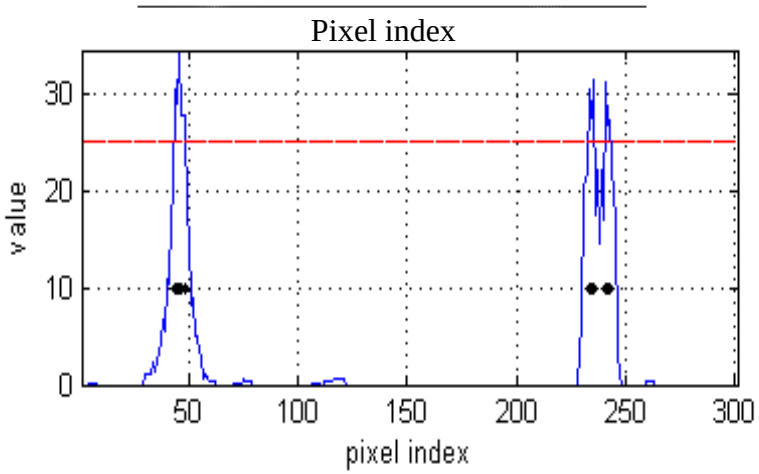
- The Viterbi based algorithm tries to compute the probability of each pixel that the LED projects on.
- The probability is computed by incorporating the motion and LED measurement information.

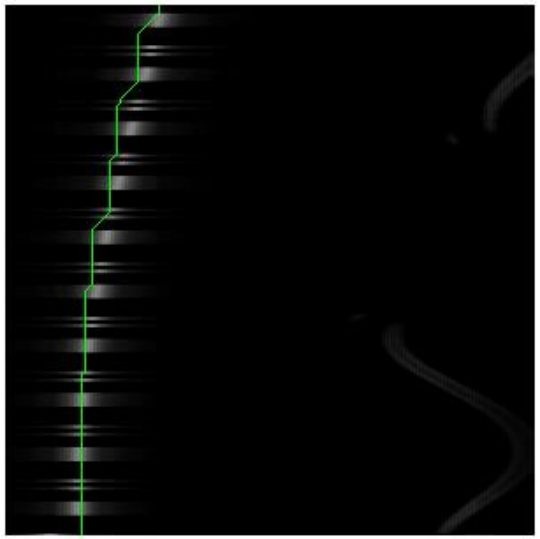


Viterbi-based Data Recovery Algorithm

- State definition
  - Pixel index i that the LED projected on
- Observation set definition
  - The pixels that have intensity values higher than the threshold

$$Z(t) = \{z_j(t)\}_{j=1}^{m_t}$$





- Assumption:
  - Each LED is projected onto only one pixel in the linear array
  - This is invalid but convenient for analysis

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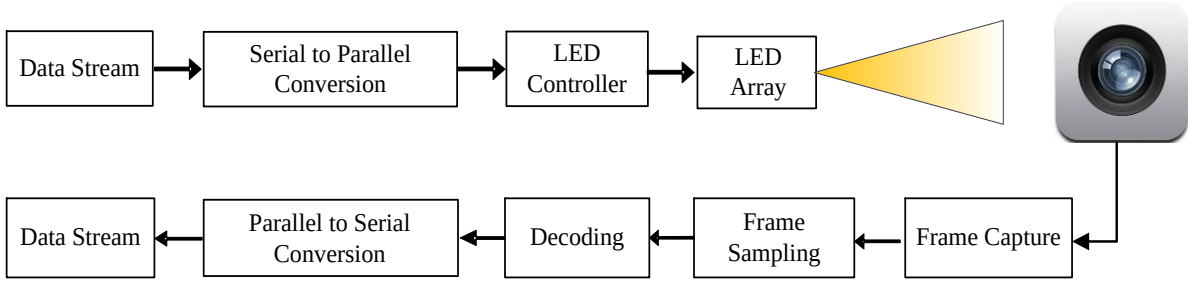
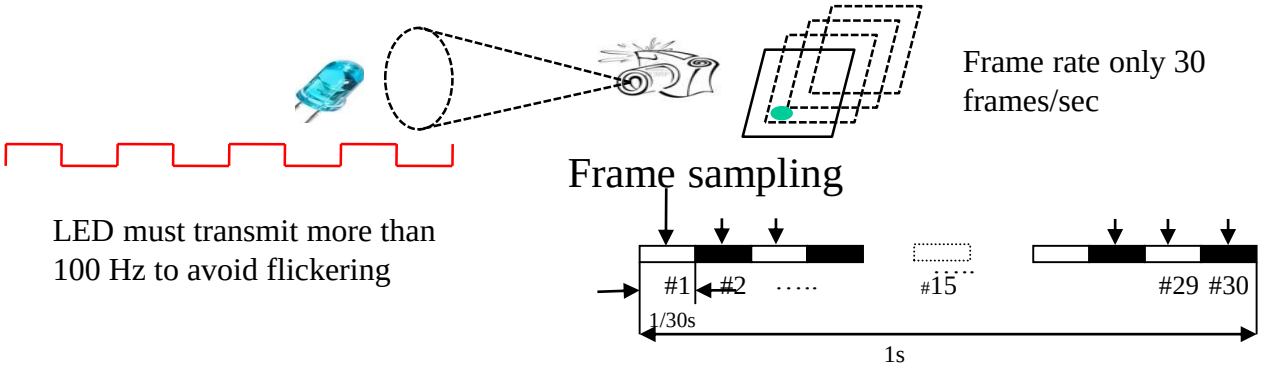
Data Decoding Procedure of OCC



Proposed block diagram for OCC system

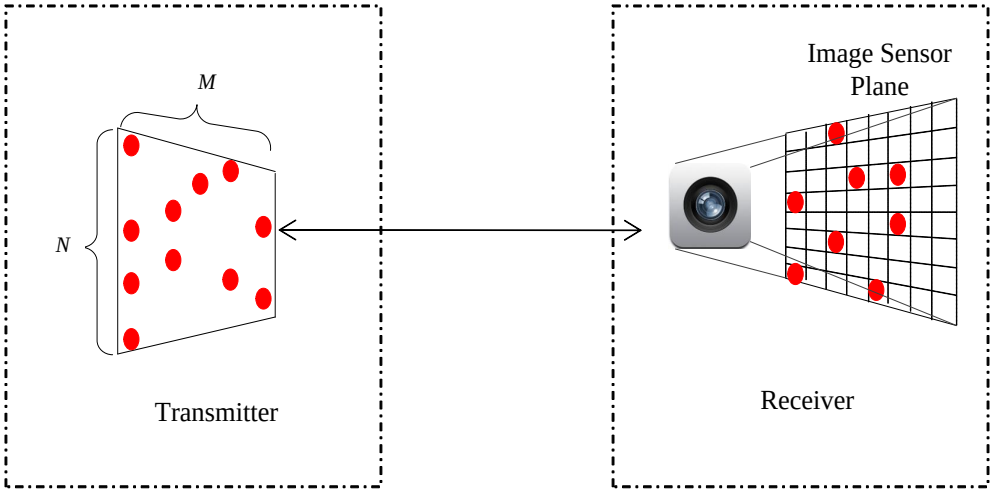


Data decoding procedure

Optical MIMO

- **Low data rate due to low frame rate can be overcome using optical MIMO**

- **Transmitter:**
  - Multiple arrays of LEDs should be considered
  - Each LED or group of LEDs can be used as transmitting antenna.
- **Receiver:**
  - Either camera or image sensor (IS) can be used as receiver



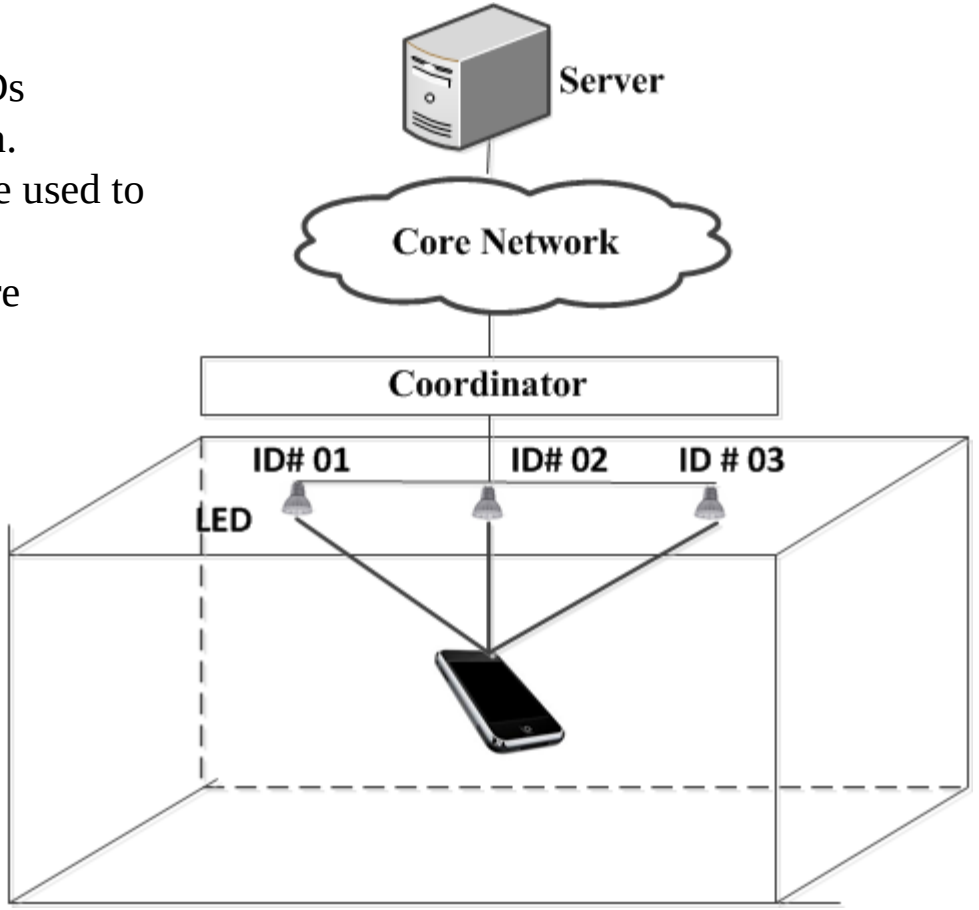
Spatial separation of multiple LED at receiver side

Challenges for MIMO OCC System

- **Combining multiplexing and diversity for OCC**
  - **Objective:** Capacity enhancement (for speed) and robust communication link (for reliability)
  - **Problem:** To achieve optimum gain when both diversity and multiplexing are combined
  - **Remark:** To introduce MIMO coding schemes (V-BLAST and STBC) into OCC
- **Spatial Separation of pixels (channels)**
  - **Objective:** Distinguish the multi-channel by successful pixel separation
  - **Problem:** Pixels may overlap and result inter-symbol interference
  - **Remark:** Efficient algorithm to distinguish pixel. Selection and combining schemes (e.g. MRC, generalized selection combining etc.) can be used in OCC to select channels (pixels) with highest SNR values
- **Transmitter and receiver alignment problem**
  - **Objective:** To increase the number of rank of the channel matrix
  - **Problem:** Placing receiver in corner of the room reduce the channel rank to one, therefore it is impossible to achieve diversity as well as multiplexing
  - **Remark:** To introduce angle diversity and tilting receiver arrangement

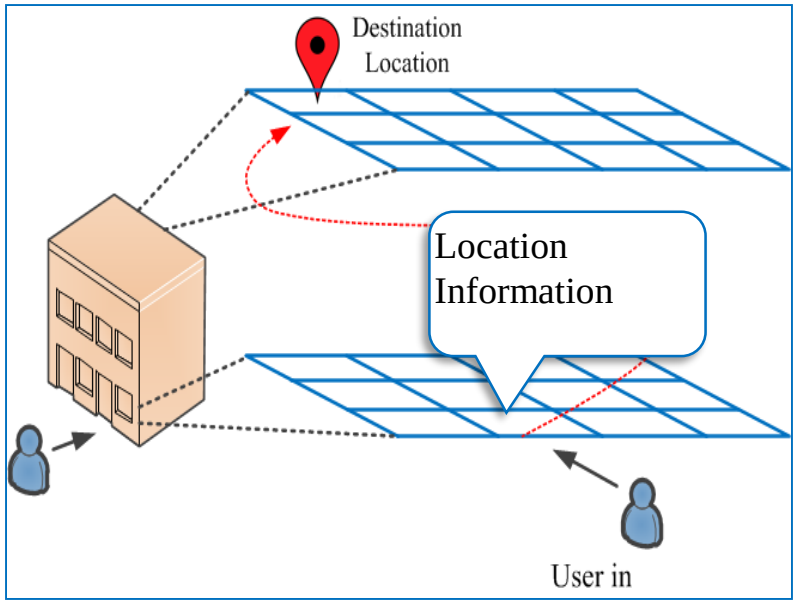
OCC based Positioning

- Transmission of ID (coordinate) through LEDs
- Camera can be used to decode ID information.
- Triangulation method along with LEDs ID are used to determine user's position.
- Some legacy positioning methods for OCC are
  - TOA
  - TDOA
  - AOA
  - RSS
  - Cell ID



Positioning based Service Scenario

LBS using OCC Positioning



Indoor navigation

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OCC PHY for Low-speed OCC

MP2P with Position acquisition in PHY layer

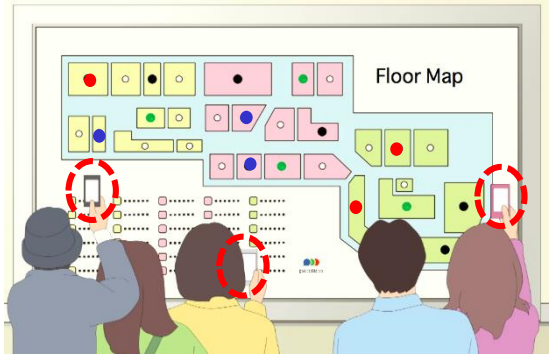
※MP2P:Multi Point to Point
(LEDs to Camera)

Use Case

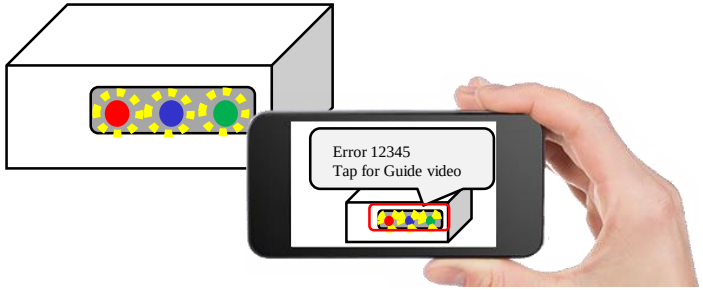
- Unidirectional, MP2P
  - MP2P can provide following functions
    - Bandwidth: By parallel transmission, increasing the amount of information
    - UI: Detail information select on Camera monitor. Lower layers of the communication provides a UI function .
- Low speed, ID Beacon or simple data transmit
  - Low speed: pulse rate 5Hz – 500Hz (Tentative)
- Use at a distance range of 0.5m ~ 100m or more.
- No need of specialized camera architecture.
  Easy to implement in software base at smartphone or other conventional camera system.
- Application: O2O, IoT, M2M ….

Proof of concept (Demo videos)

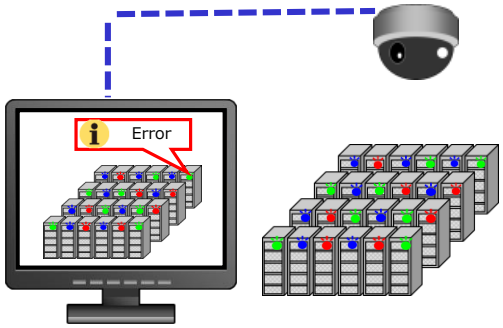
- O2O(smartphone)
  - Transmit from signage/signboard



- IoT (smartphone)
  - LED indicator of appliances



- M2M/IoT (PC)
  - Multi data receive with surveillance camera and add-on LED transmitter



Processing model

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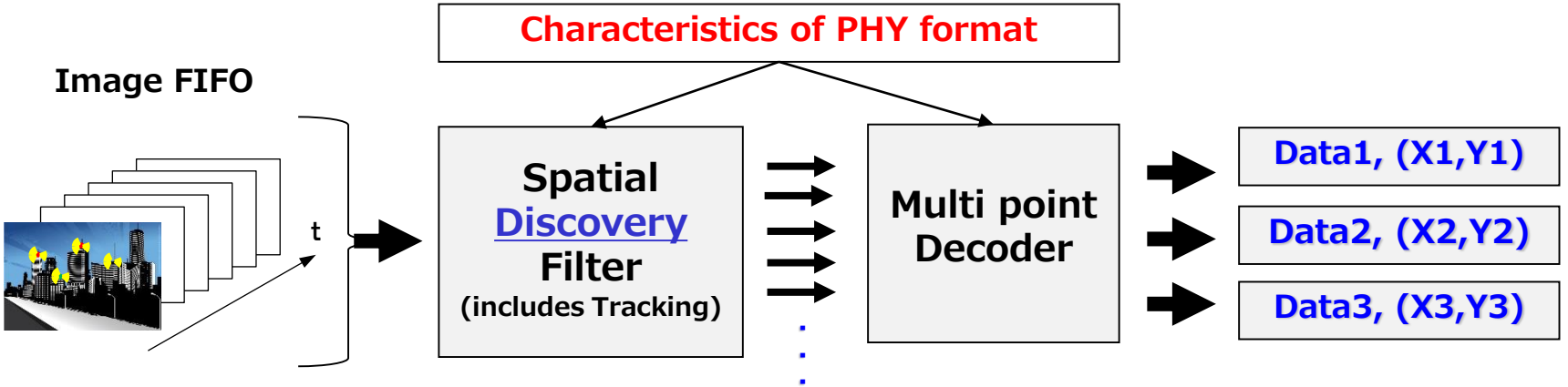
Discovery process combined with image processing is important .



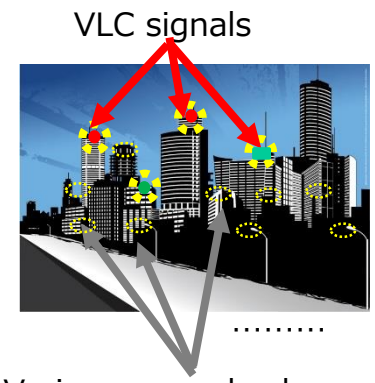
-Time domain image filtering.

-Determines the sampling point of the signal candidates area.

-Format inspection and Decoding of the sample data sequences.

-Acquisition the multi-data and its position in the image.

-MAC layer might have mediation function of position information



PHY that is easy to realize the discovery process

What characteristics of PHY is well for implement of “Discovery Filter”.

- Well known methods? … -Not Suit, especially in low frame rate
  - Frequency base (base-band frequency filter or sub-carrier filter)
  - Ordinary preamble detect

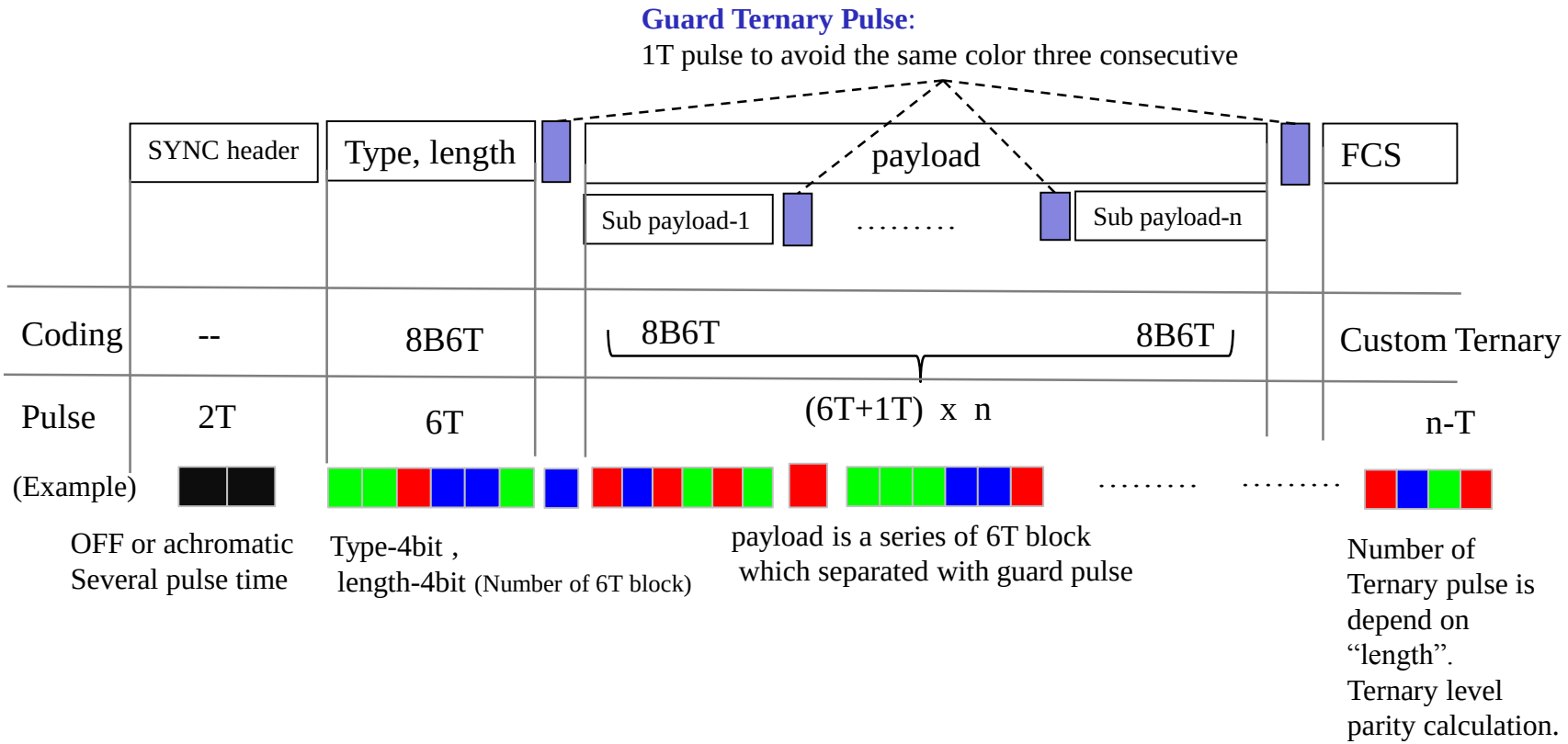
  It is difficult to distinguish the signals from a natural scene.

- Recommended method –work well in low frame rate
  1. RGB Color code (ternary modulation)
     - 8B6T line coding and guard ternary pulse (8B6T: 8bit to 6Tarnary)
  2. ON/OFF code with Pseudo header & I-4PPM
     - Suit for Discovery but Inadequate bit rate on 10~30fps. (To be discussed on another occasion)

- In the PHY , it might be better to considered these issues
  - Frame drop (Often, It is difficult to clearly detect)
  - White balance, Expures shift (Can not often control from the application layer)

PHY format (Tentative)

- DC component of the color pulse fluctuation is suppressed (consecutive prohibited exceed the same three color)



Conclusion

- MP2P with position acquisition in PHY layer
  - Highly potential of new communication concept of OCC
  - MP2P with position acquisition in PHY layer
    (※Coordinate is in the image frame)
  - Position acquisition is Good Side Effect of PHY.
    Therefore, it is not necessary to care in PHY layer format for MP2P.

- PHY layer format should be considered for “Discovery” process.
  - 8B6T line coding and guard ternary format was shown.

Universal Camera Communications with Rolling Shutter – Frequency Shift Keying

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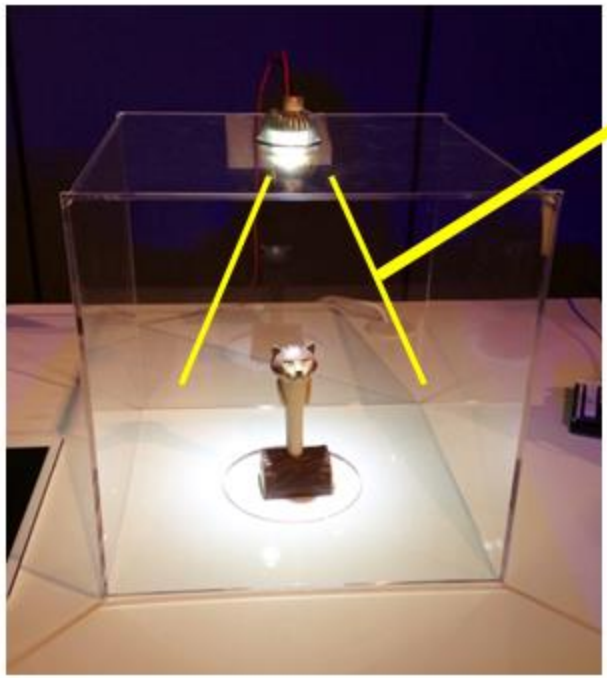
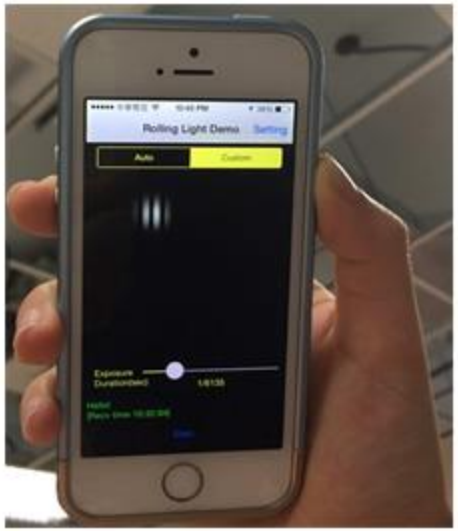
Use Case: Marketing or guide systems

- Marketing or guide systems:
  - LED transmits URL
  - Mobile devices with **(unmodified)** cameras receives URL and retrieves additional information (with WiFi or cellular data connection) about the item

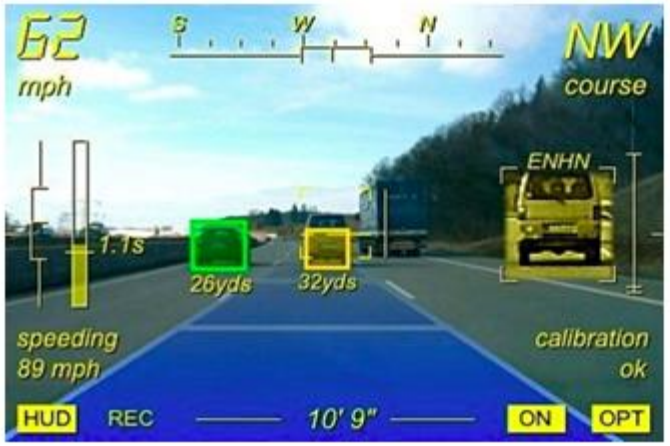


LED transmits URL with info. about the item



A smartphone's camera receives URL & displays text or video about the item on the screen

Use Case: Vehicular Communications



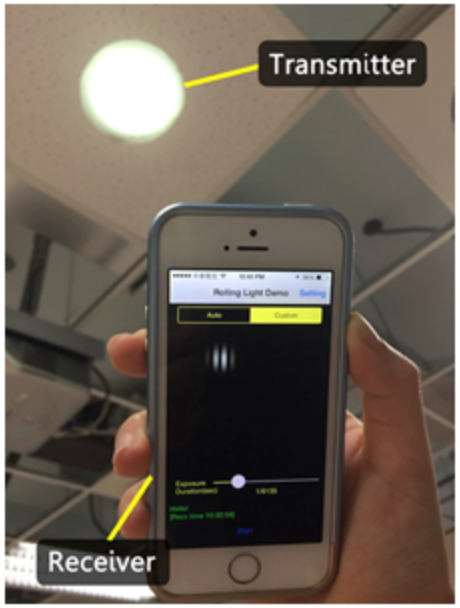
- Vehicular Communications
  - Each vehicle broadcasts its license plate number, speed, brake status periodically with the LED lighting (**tail light, head light,** etc.)
  - Neighboring vehicles receive information with **existing front & back cameras** (with software upgrade) for use in Advanced Driver Assistance System (ADAS) & other safety systems
  - Additional information can be received from DSRC/cellular, but these information can be visually associated with neighboring vehicle's identity (e.g., the car that I see, in front of me and in the same lane) once the license plate number is received via camera communications

Related Research & Demo

Our proof-of-concept is demonstrated at:

1. H.-M. Tsai, H.-M. Lin, and H.-Y. Lee, "Demo: RollingLight - Universal Camera Communications for Single LED", ACM Annual International Conference on Mobile Computing and Networking (MobiCom), September 2014.
2. "Demo: Universal Camera Communications," Intel Asia Innovation Summit, Taipei, Taiwan, November 2014

An LED light driven by a simple driver module (Arduino Mega 2560 + a MOSFET switch)



iOS 8 devices (iphone 5S, 5C, iPad Air) + our app can decode simple text transmitted by the light

Rolling Shutter - Frequency Shift Keying

Modulation:

- Square wave (2 levels)
- Different **frequency**
  → different bit patterns
- Symbol duration = frame duration & high-order modulation

Demodulation:

- Estimate strip width (signal period) with either FFT or autocorrelation methods

$$s_i(t) = I_{\max}\left\lceil \frac{\cos(2\pi f_i t)}{2} \right\rceil$$

s_i: signal of symbol i
I_{max}: max intensity
f_i: frequency of symbol i
t: symbol sampling time

$$W = \frac{1}{f_i T_r}$$

W: pixel width of strip
f_i: frequency of symbol i
T_r: read-out time

(a) 8000 Hz (b) 4000 Hz (c) 2000 Hz

RS-FSK Design Choices

Why Frequency Modulation?

- Compatible to cameras with **different sampling rates (read-out time)**
- Ability to decode even with **loss of a large portion of signal samples**
- Average intensity stays the same – **transmissions not observable by eyes**

Why Square Wave?

- Mitigate the impact due to the **filtering** caused by long exposure
- Only two output levels – **cost** effective
- Change of duty cycle is possible – preserve ability for **dimming support**

Visual Association

- Existing computer vision techniques: identify what a group of pixels are (e.g., A car, lane marks, a traffic signal)
- Camera communications: received information comes from **the same / nearby group** of pixels (e.g., the car's tail light)
- Easily and **visually associate** received information with the identity of the object (a car or a traffic signal)

Part 3: Higher Rate PHY

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Wireless-Optical Communication Key Laboratory of Chinese Academy of Sciences Contribution

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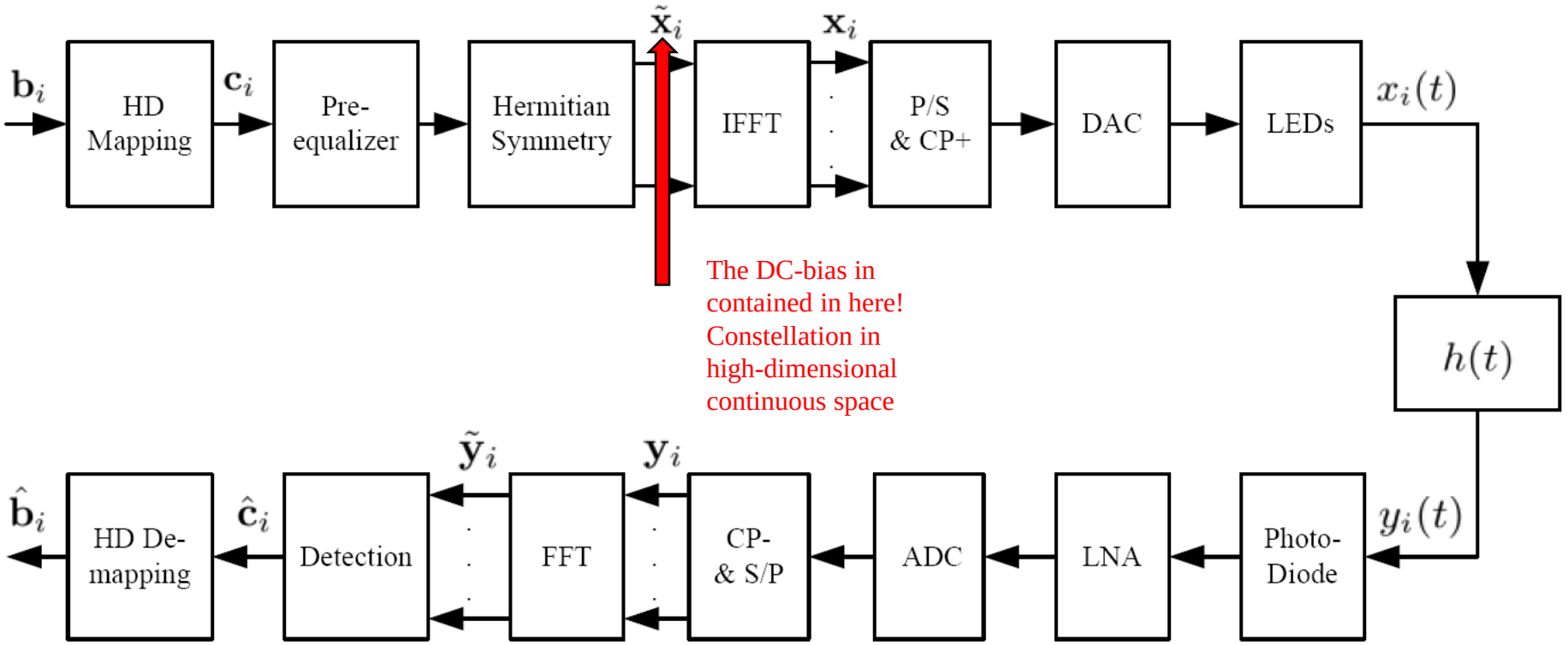
Energy-efficient VLC under Lighting Constraints

To achieve Energy-efficient VLC without interrupting illumination

- ❖ Highly efficient modulation scheme;
- ❖ LED radiation pattern design;
- ❖ Optimized LED spatial arrangement;
- ❖ ``Unshadowable VLC'': a non-line-of-sight system architecture

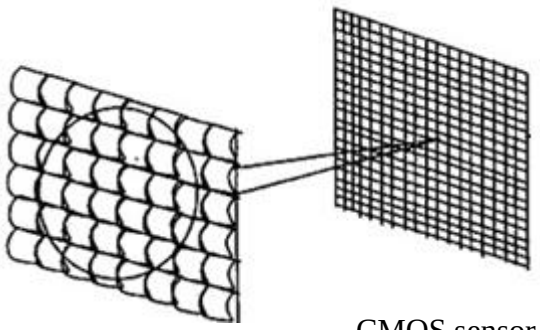
The DC-bias also carries information for a highly energy-efficient VLC



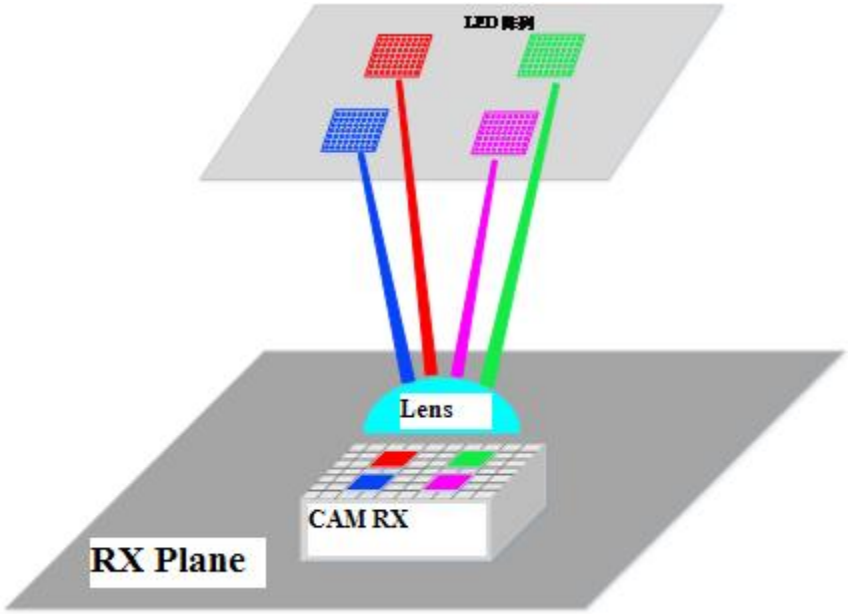
[1]. Q. Gao, C. Gong, R. Wang, Z. Xu, and Y. Hua, "From DC-Biased to DC-Informative Optical OFDM," arXiv:1410.6885 [cs.IT], Oct. 2014.

Employ or design optical devices such structure:

- ❖ Suitable for high-speed VLC;
- ❖ Suitable for high-efficiency VLC;
- ❖ Guaranteed uniformity of illumination;
- ❖ Higher gain, higher field of view, compact type.



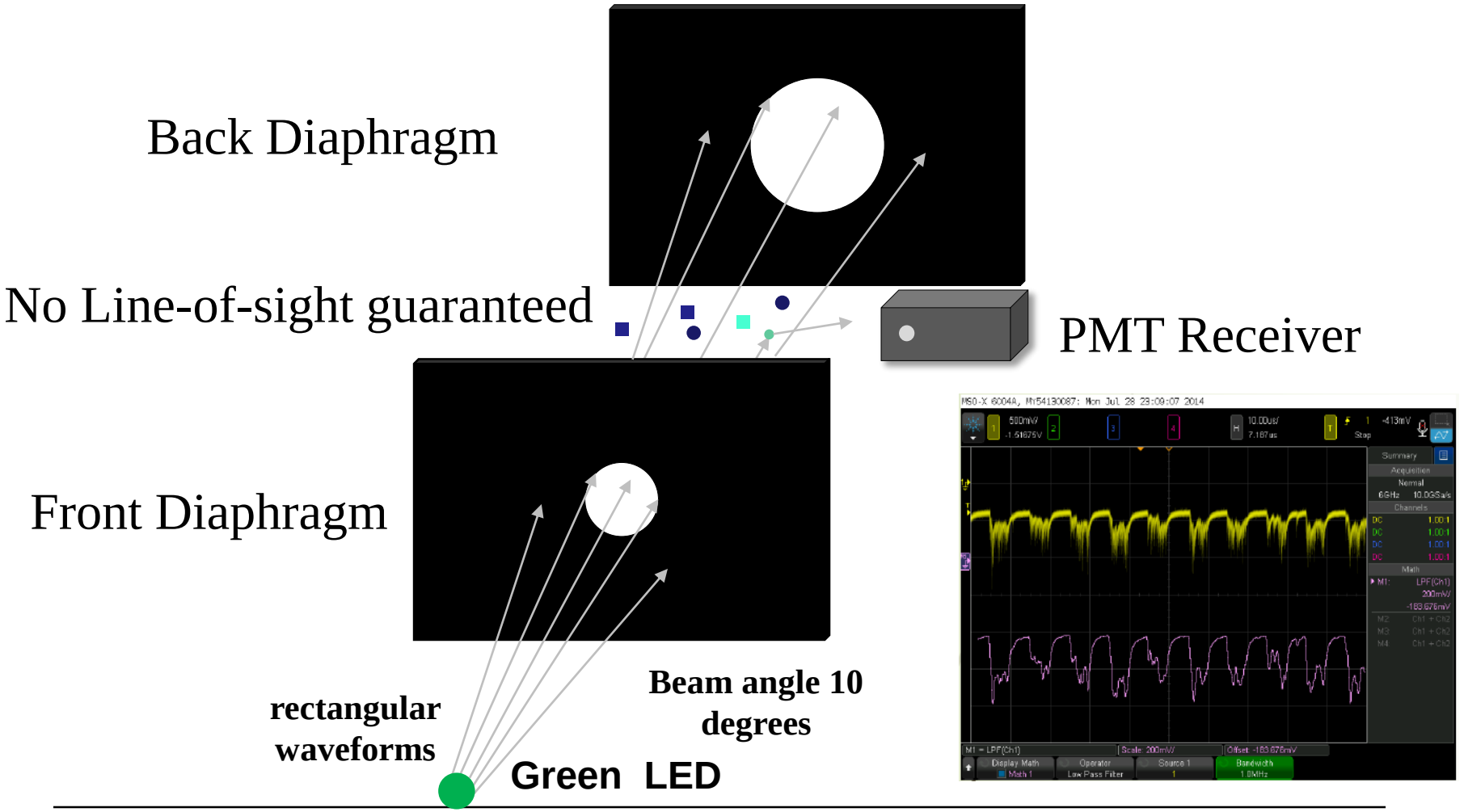
Lens Array CMOS sensor



LED spatial arrangement
For illumination uniformity

LED radiation patter design
For illumination uniformity

Unshadowable VLC
A non-line-of-sight transmission experiment



Conclusion

We address the issue of VLC system design under light constraints from the following aspects:

- ❖ DC-informative modulation design;
- ❖ Methodology on optical structure theory;
- ❖ LED spatial arrangement and radiation pattern design;
- ❖ Unshadowable VLC design and experiment.

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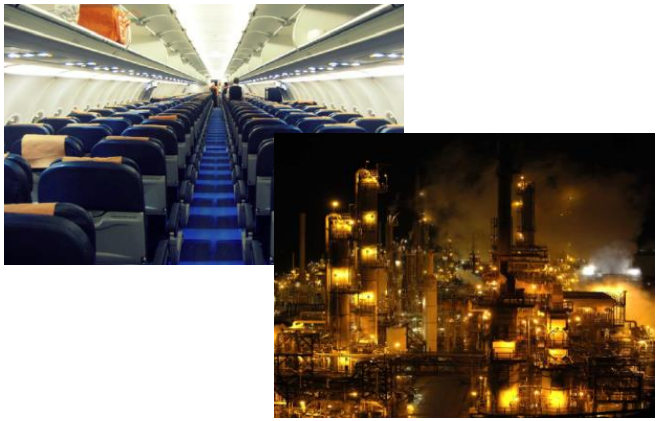

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- Flexibility to deploy a range of more efficient PHY systems
- Improved dimming support
- Enhanced MAC
- Support for greater security

Proof of Concept

- Li-1st (http://purelifi.com/li-fire/li-1st/)
  - ✓ point-to-point, high speed, bidirectional, off-the-shelf lights
- Li-Flame (http://youtu.be/TIAS8BxGe_8)
  - ✓ high speed, bidirectional, networked and mobile wireless communications using light

Technical Principles

- Optical OFDM
  - ACO-OFDM
  - DCO-OFDM
  - U-OFDM
  - …..

High Level Concepts

- High speed
  - efficient use of Optical Bandwidth
- Bidirectional
  - to alleviate spectrum
- Networked & Mobile
  - user expectations of wireless technology
- Secure & Safe
  - Privacy, Cybersecurity and EMI concerns

COST Action IC1101
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- An Emerging Technology

Gbit/s Optical Wireless PHY

- Joint contribution to IEEE 802 plenary tutorial -

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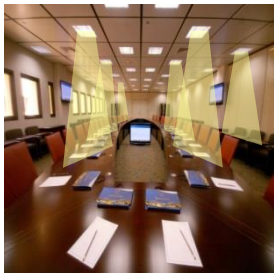
Use cases

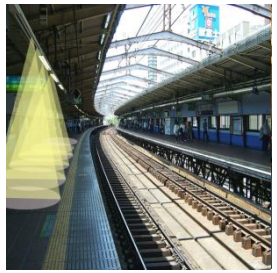
IoT: Flexible Manufacturing



Conference Rooms

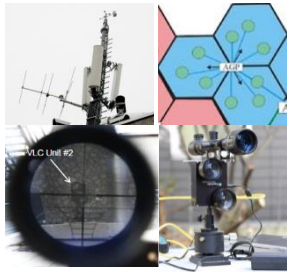
Private Households

In-flight Entertainment



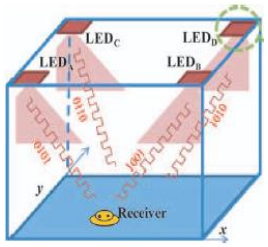
Mass transportation

IoT: Car2Car, Car2Infra



Opt. Backhaul for small cells in 5G

Augmented reality, hospitals, support for disabled people



Precise Indoor Positioning

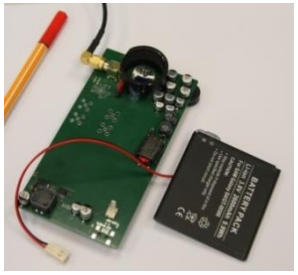
Secure Wireless

Requirements

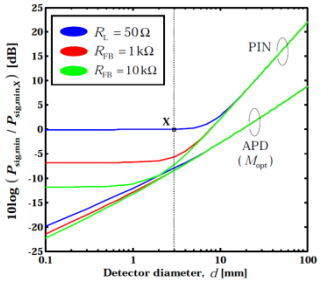
- High speed: > 1 Gb/s per link
  - Ultra-dense wireless scenarios, Short range (few meters), High spatial reuse
  - Offload high traffic volumes to “private” optical wireless hot spots
- Robustness: < 0.1 % outage in coverage area
  - Seamless mobility support for heterogeneous wireless environments
  - Multipoint multiuser support → positioning, low latency, handover, integration with WiFi
- Low latency: < 1ms
  - Short response time for the “Tactile Internet”
  - Car-to-X, Industrial environments, Internet-of-things (IoT)
- Precise positioning: < 10 cm
  - Access points send specific beacon signals, terminals reply → time measurement
  - Enhanced security support: Wireless communications near the user location only

Research results

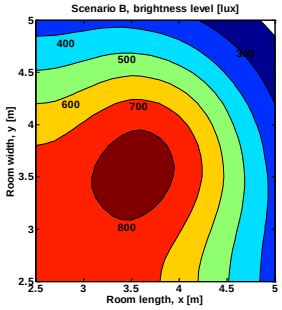
High-power LED Tx, low cost



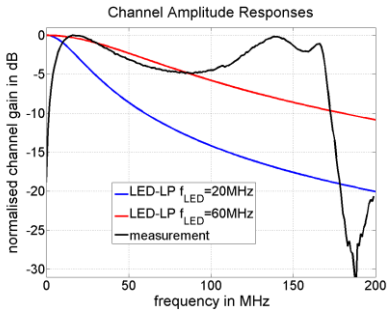
Large-area silicon PD Rx, low cost



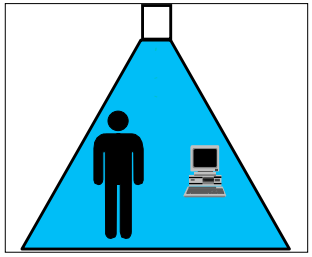
Large PD+TIA similar to APD



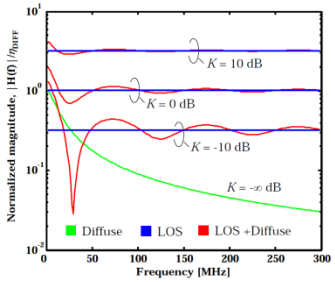
High SNR → high spectral efficiency



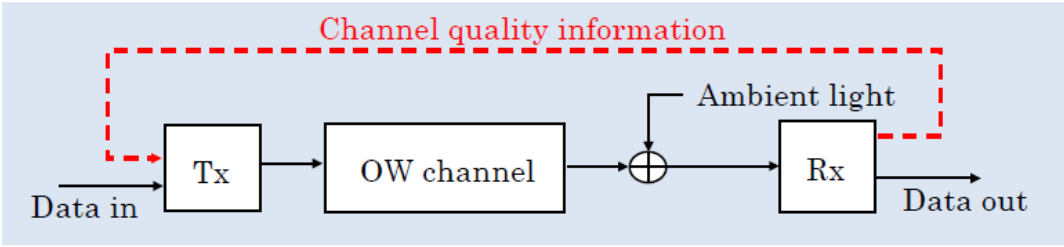
Broadband optical frontends:>100 MHz



Non-directed LOS+NLOS

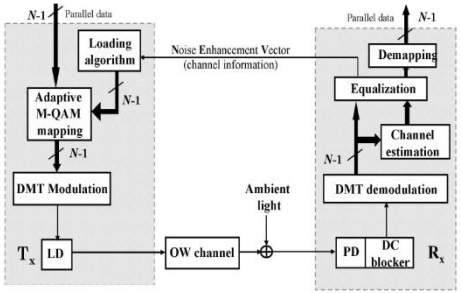


Frequency-selective time-variant channel

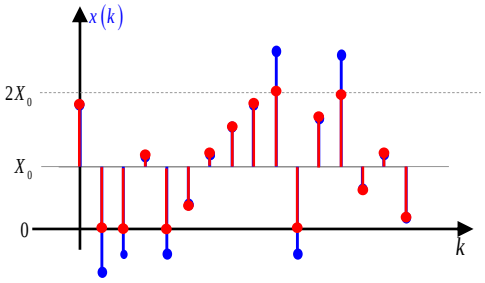


Information theory suggests a multi-carrier system concept which needs adaptation to the channel

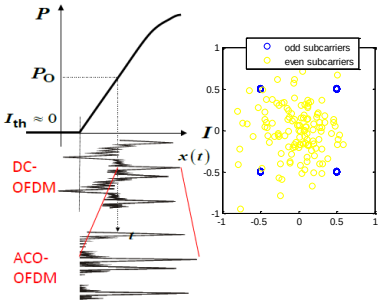
Key technical features



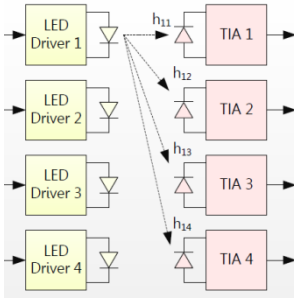
Rate-adaptive OFDM with feedback over reverse link



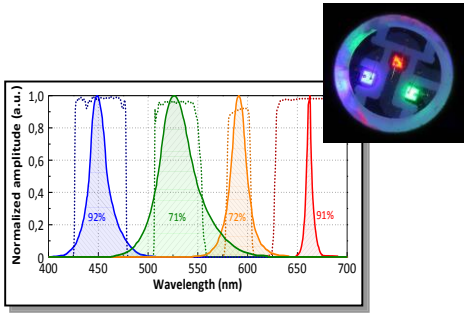
Clipping is controlled at fixed error rate (DCO): *spectral efficiency*



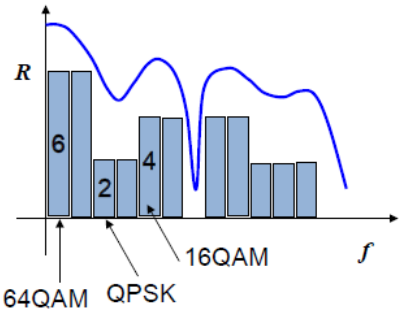
Asym. clipping (ACO), enh. unipolar OFDM: *energy efficiency*



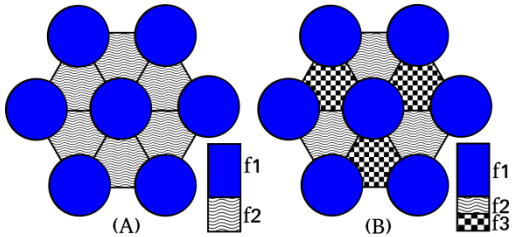
MIMO, angular diversity transmitters and receivers



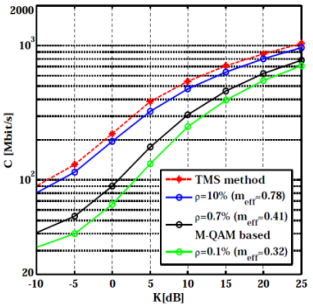
WDM (RYGB LED) to multiply data rates



Closed-loop bit-/power-loading, bit-interleaved FEC, HARQ



Cell-specific pilots for positioning, handover, interference coord.



DCO@10% clipping ratio: 2 dB to IM/DD capacity *upper bound*

Summary

- Gbit/s optical wireless has many useful applications in WPAN and WLAN
  - Car-to-X, machine-to-machine, WiFi backhaul, conference rooms → SOHO networks
  - Augmented reality, indoor positioning, vertical and horizontal handover
- High-power LEDs and large-area silicon photodiodes are available at low cost
- High SNR, high spectral efficiency, >100 MHz bandwidth → Gbit data rates
- Adaptive OFDM PHY is mature, other options are SC/FDE and M-CAP
- Further performance improvements are possible through cooperation (relaying)
- Robust transmission in multipath and NLOS channels was demonstrated
- Up to 5 Gbit/s and some 100 Mbit/s were demonstrated over several meters using free LOS and diffuse reflections (NLOS), respectively
- Real-time demo with small form factor is available, onsite demo is planned

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Color Space Based Modulation and Color-Independent Visual-MIMO

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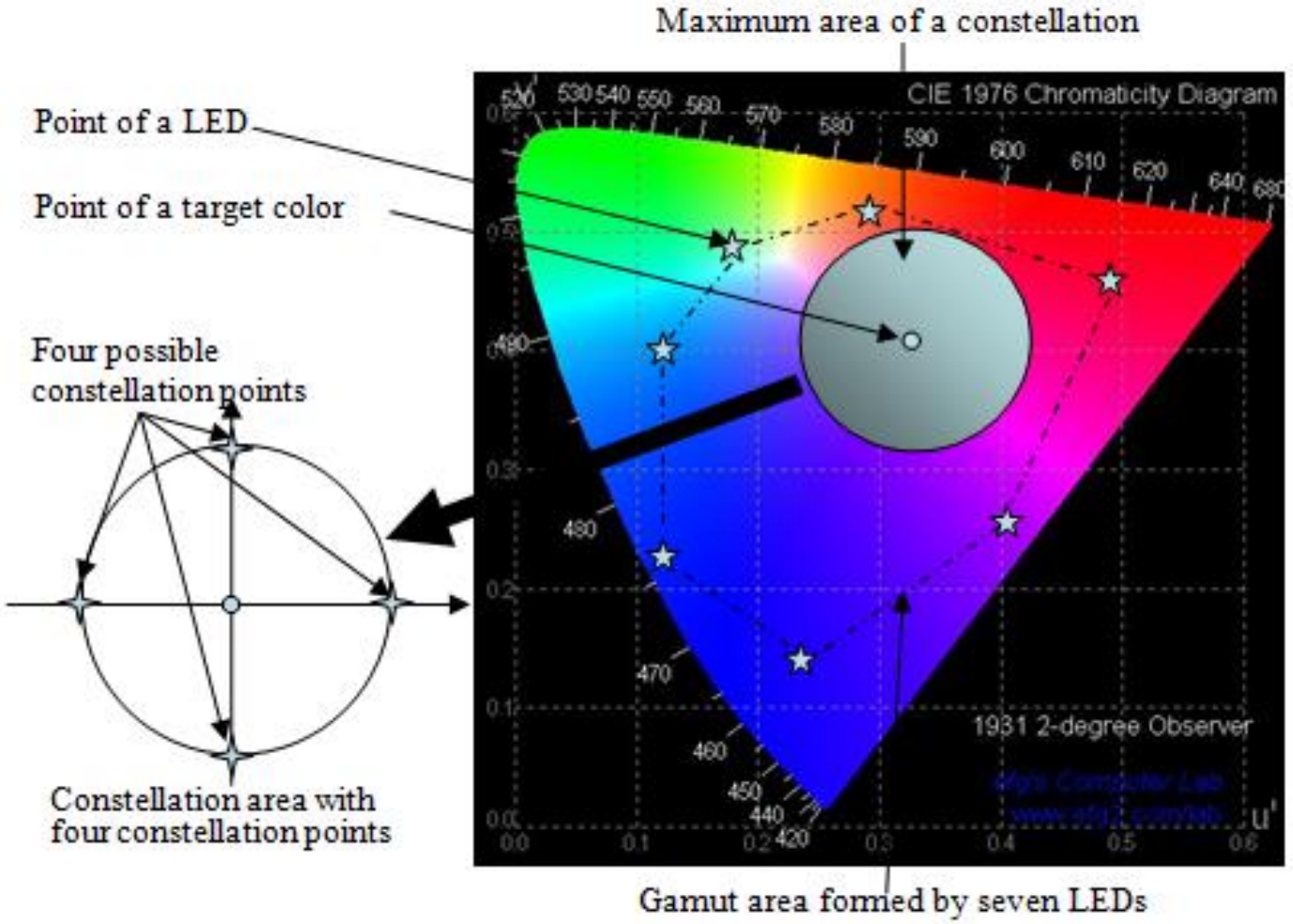
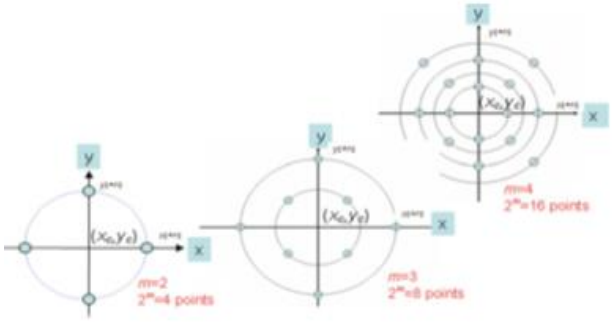
Generalized Color Modulation (Color-Space Based Modulation)



Constellation Diagram and Various Basic Color Models



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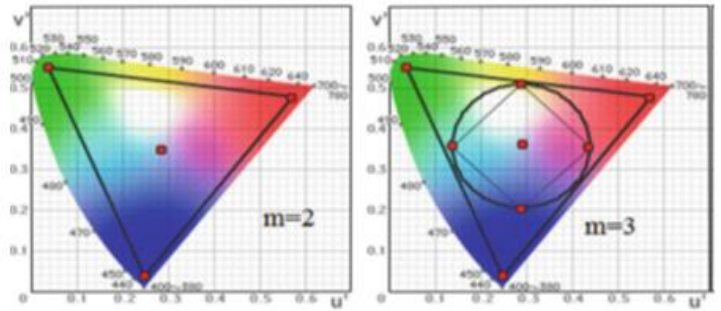

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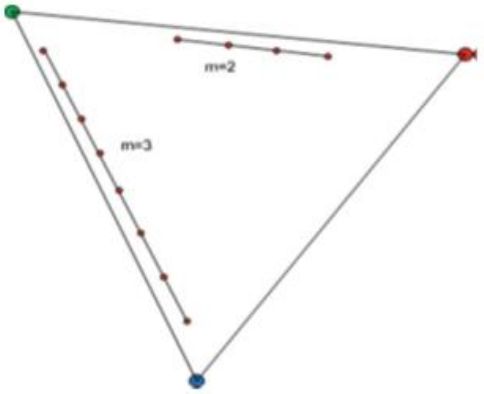

(c) Line type

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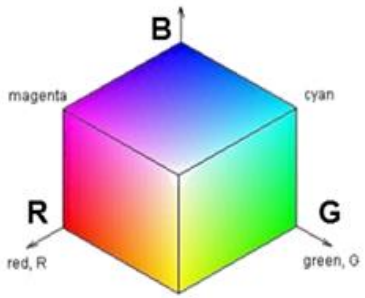

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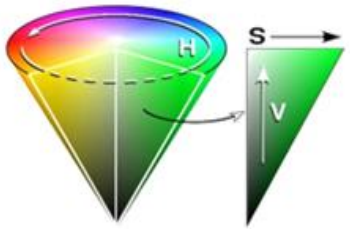

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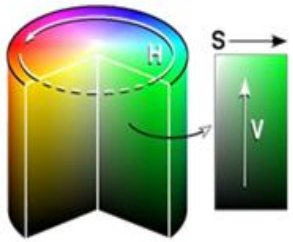

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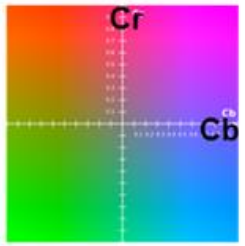
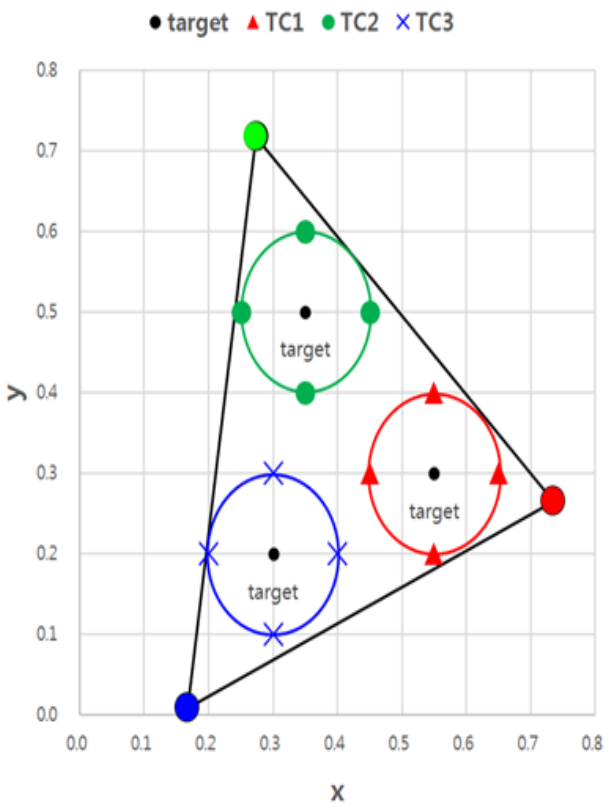
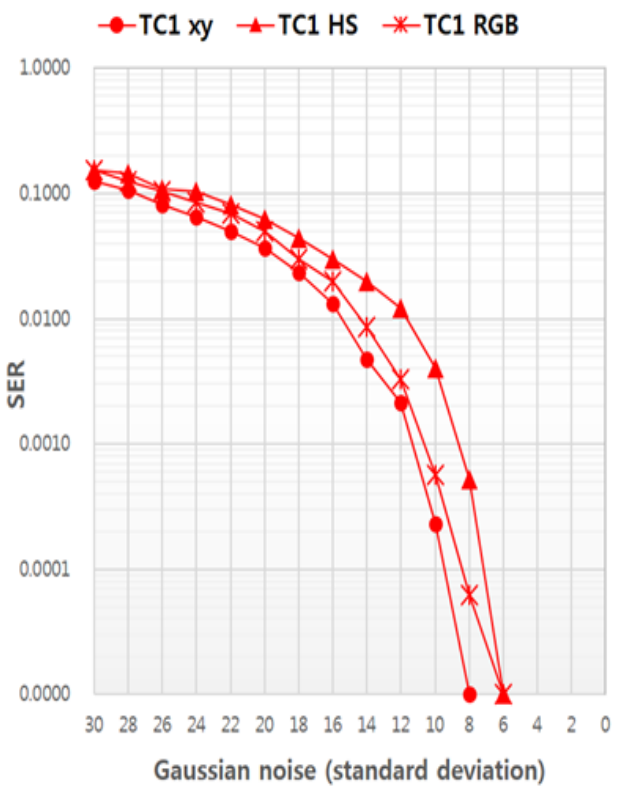


YCbCr(YUV)

Simulation Example of SER Comparison under Different Color Models





Symbol decision methods

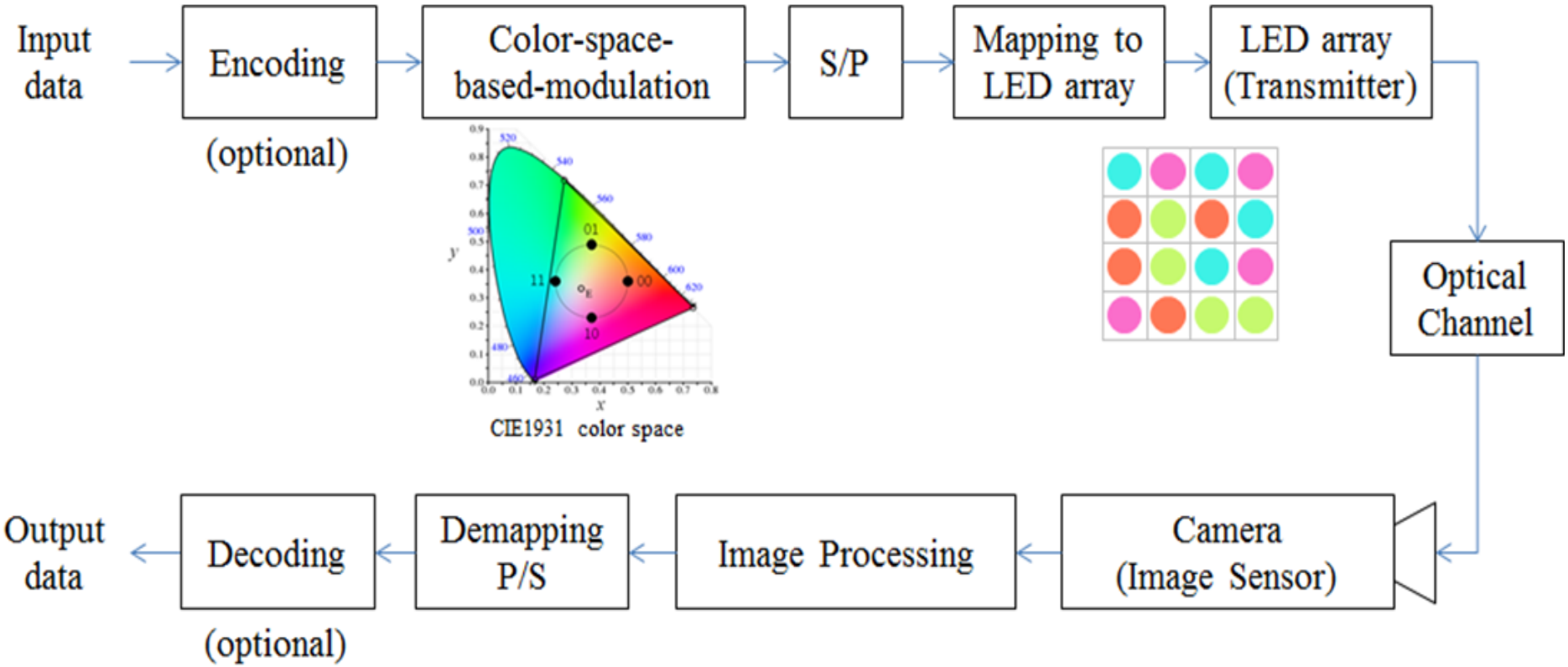
1.(x,y) based decision in CIE1931

2. (H,S) based decision in HSV model

3. (R,G,B) based decision in RGB model

Constellation diagram and SER graph (TC1 case)

Color-Independent Visual-MIMO
- Independent of Color Variation and Intensity Variation -



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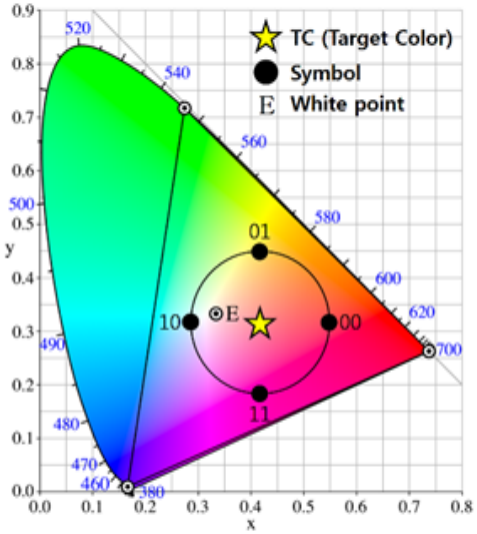

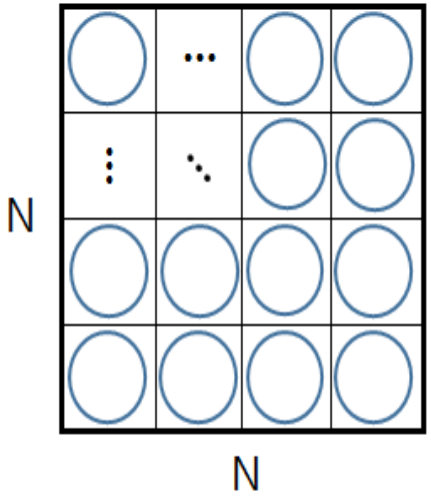

Encoding	**LED Array size**	**Camera frame rate**
Using $m(=2^n)$ symbols → n [bits/symbol]	$N \times N = N^2$ [symbol]	F [fps]

Data rate = $n \times N^2 \times F$ [bps]

Example Applications

- Road side-to-vehicle communication
- Vehicle-to-vehicle communication

LEDs for rear and head-lights and Cameras (e.g. parking assistance, rear-view) are getting common in cars

Visual-MIMO V2V Demo

- Smartphone-to-electronic billboard communication
- Robot-to-robot communication
- Hand-held display to fixed surveillance cameras

Visual-MIMO Smartphone-to-electronic billboard comm. examples

Boston University Contribution

Dimming Compatible and Spectrally Efficiency Modulation for VLC Lighting

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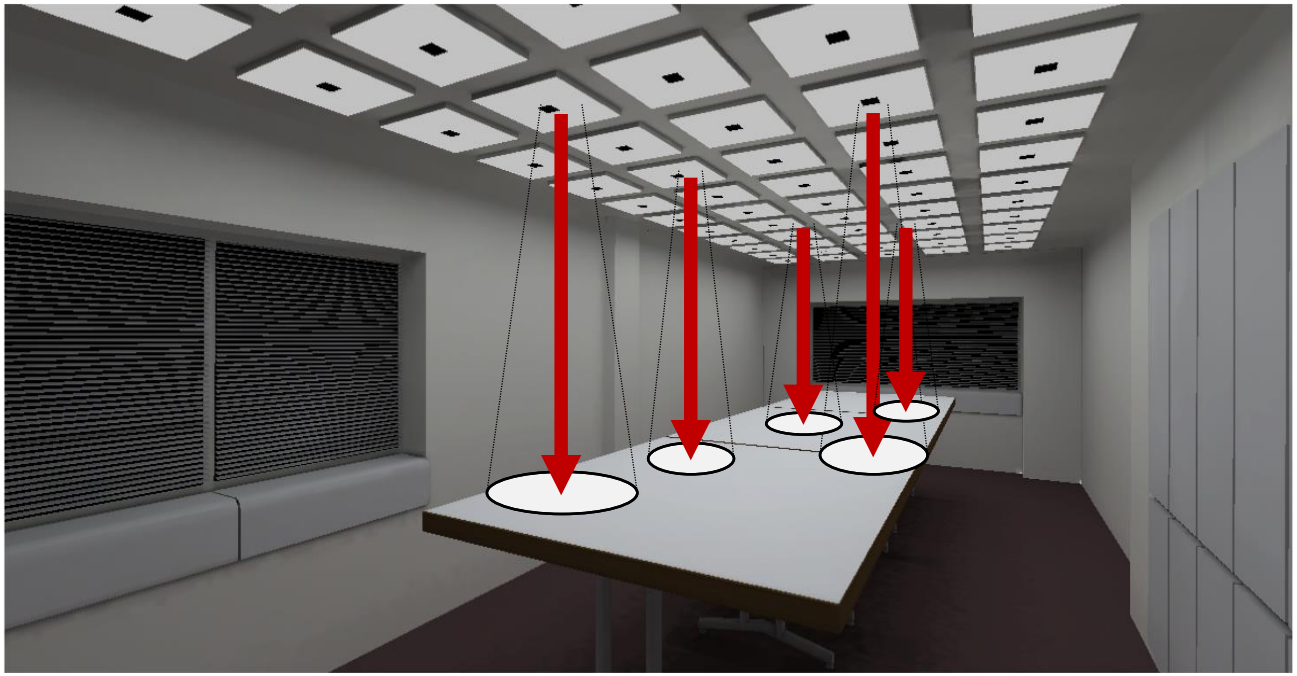
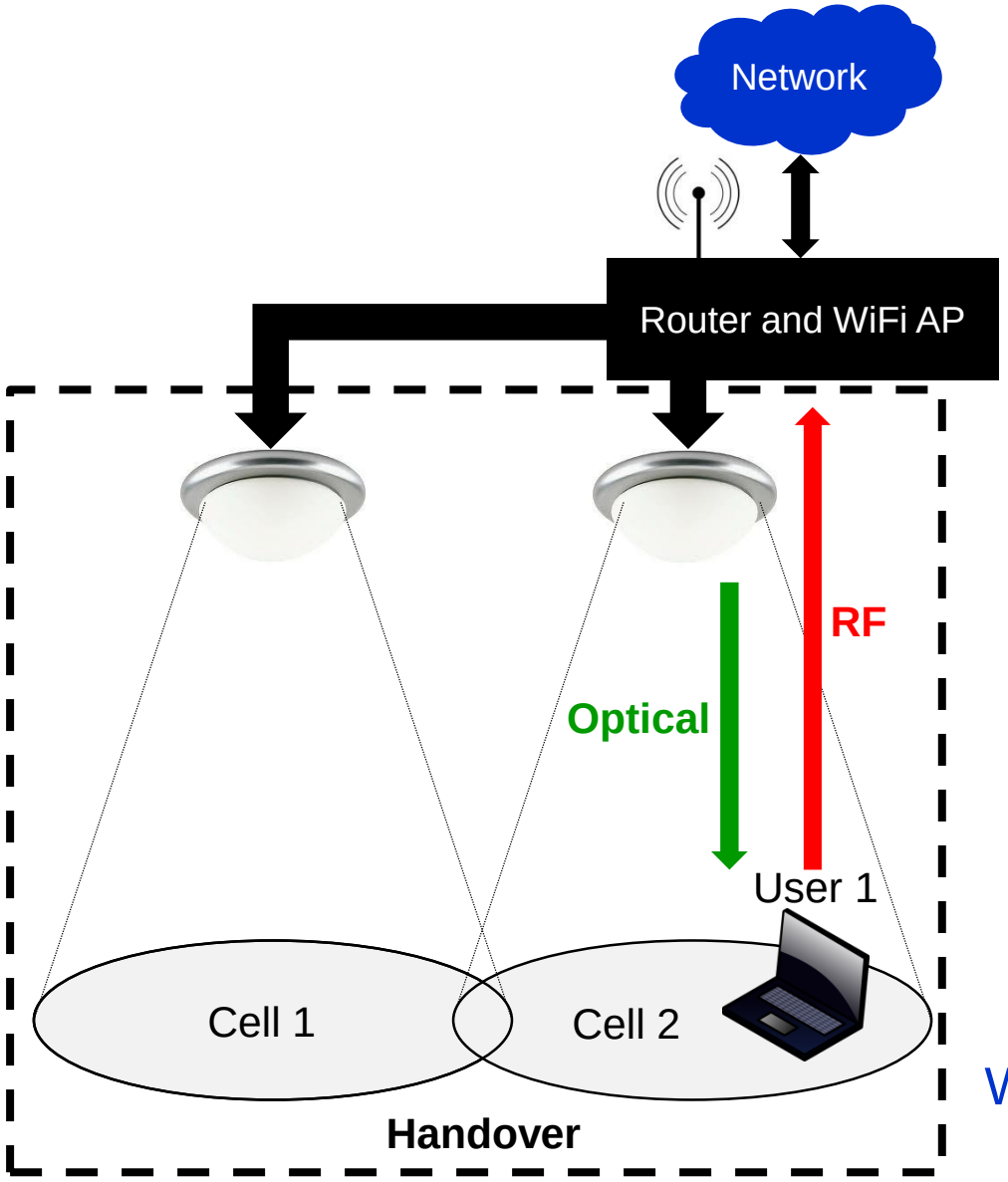


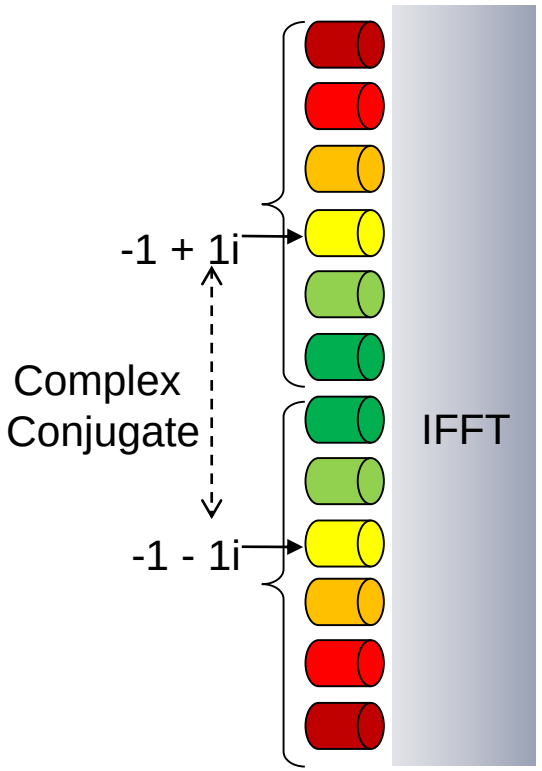
Use Case: Downlink in VLC-Enabled Lighting

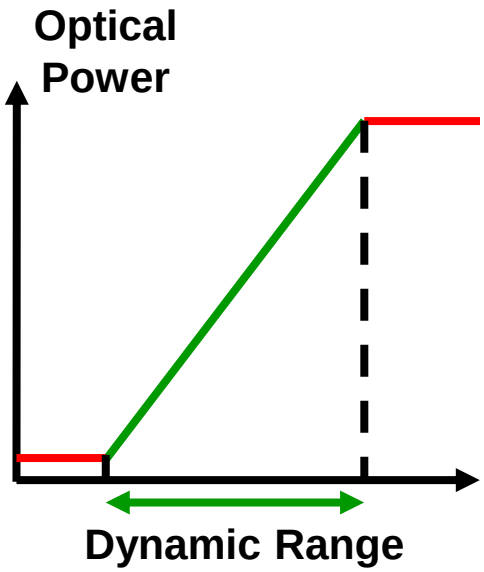


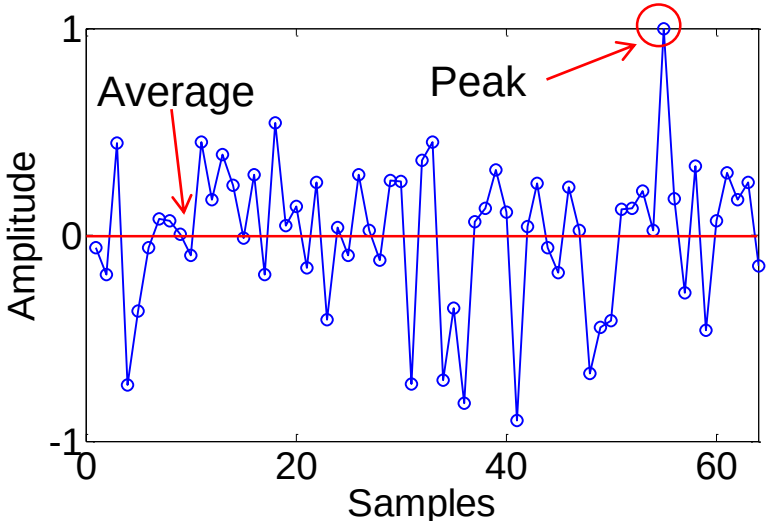
- VLC offloading WLAN and/or cellular traffic in a 3-tier HetNet
- RF for uplink
- Data aggregation in RF and/or optical
- Seamless connectivity in a mobile multiuser access scenario
- Gigabit applications while supporting (our use case):
  1. Illumination functionality
     a. Color tunable
     b. Dimmable
  2. High quality lighting
     a. CCR
     b. CRI

We focus on dual-use (lighting and Communications)

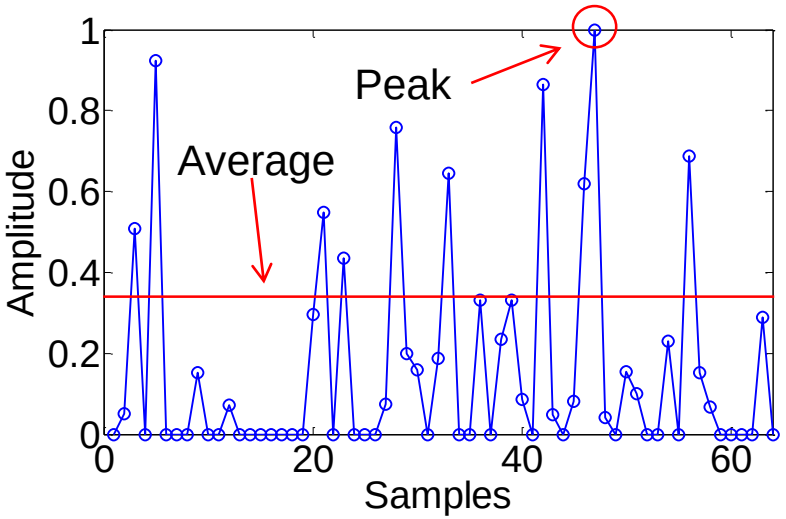
Optical OFDM formats and constraints







Bipolar DC biased optical OFDM (DCO-OFDM)



Unipolar Asymmetric clipped optical OFDM (ACO-OFDM)

Other unipolar formats, e.g.:

- Flip OFDM (F-OFDM)
- Unipolar OFDM (U-OFDM)
- Position modulation OFDM (PM-OFDM)

- High spectral efficiency; limited LED modulation bandwidth
- Adaptive bit-loading per subcarrier; transmission impairments
- Adaptive power allocation per subcarrier; transmission impairments
- Fine granularity; network perspective
- CP; multipath propagation causing ISI
- Frequency-domain channel estimation and equalization; transmission impairments
- Possibility to combine it with multiple access schemes; OFDMA
- Availability of OFDM in existing signal processing/chipsets

Issue		Challenge		Alternative
LED non-linearity	→	OFDM has high PAPR	→	SC-FDE

How to efficiently transmit optical OFDM and SC-FDE while sustaining a bit-error performance over a large fraction of the dimming range?

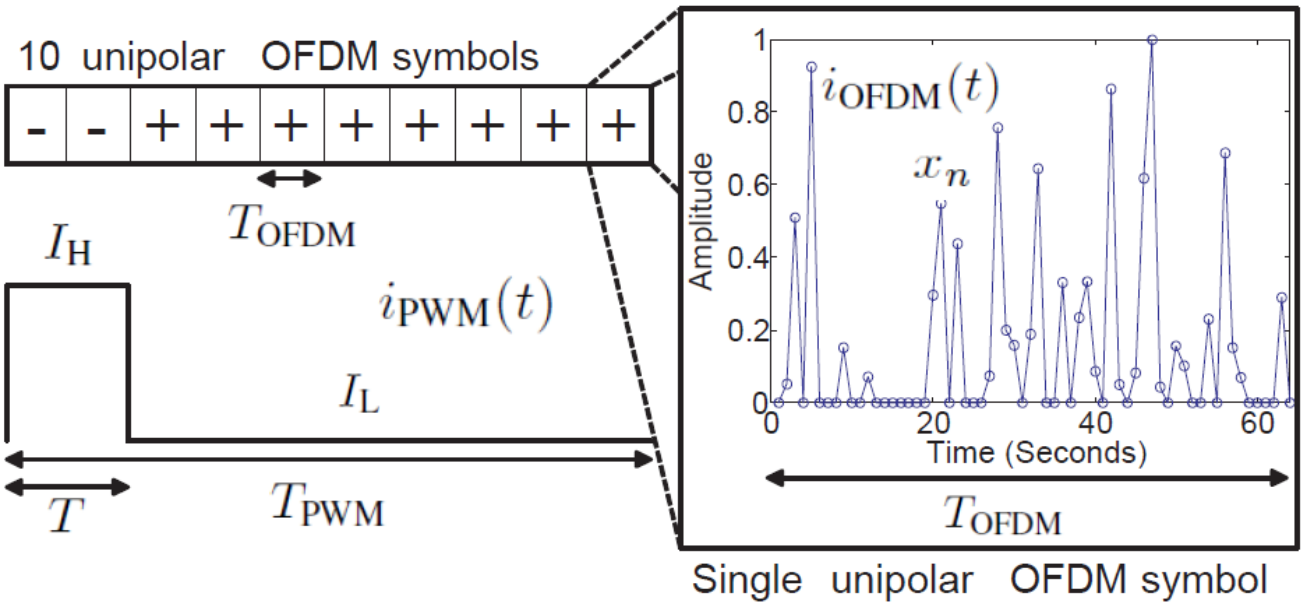
Existing solutions:

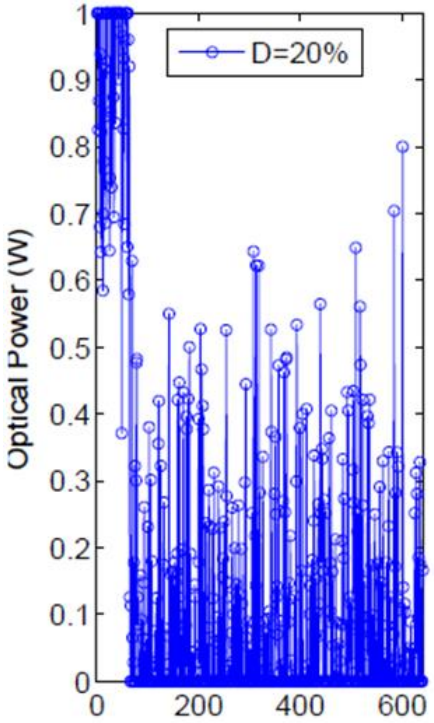
- Superposition only during the PWM-”on”
- OFDM signal sampling using the PWM
- Average power reduction per OFDM symbol

Reverse polarity solution:

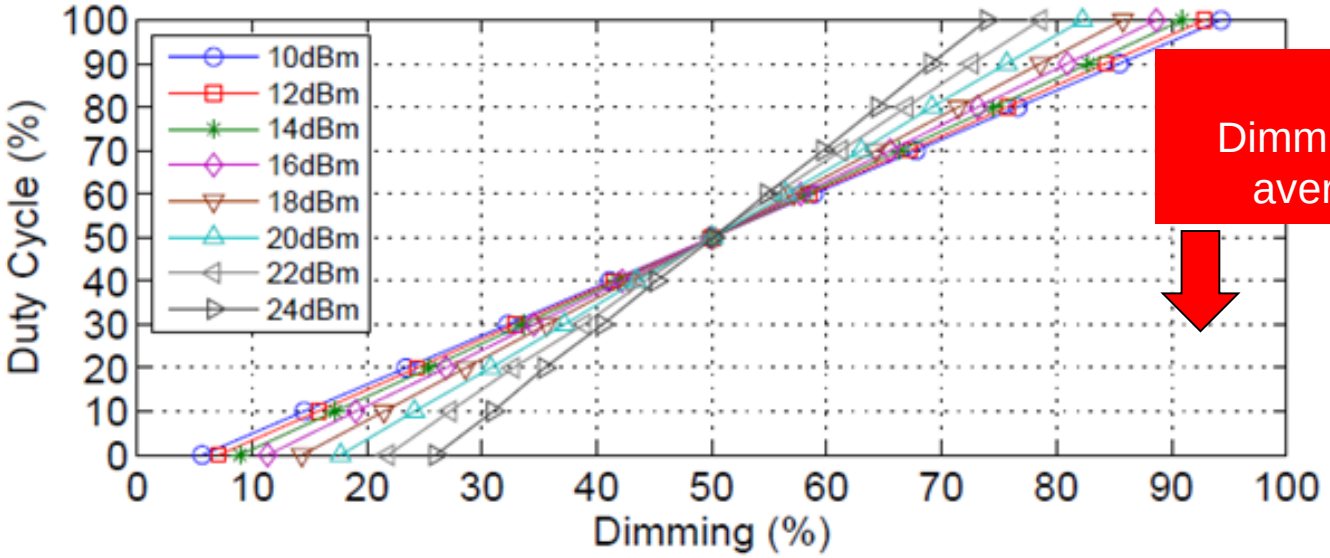
- Continuous OFDM transmission

Example: 20% duty cycle @ 15dBm OFDM average power



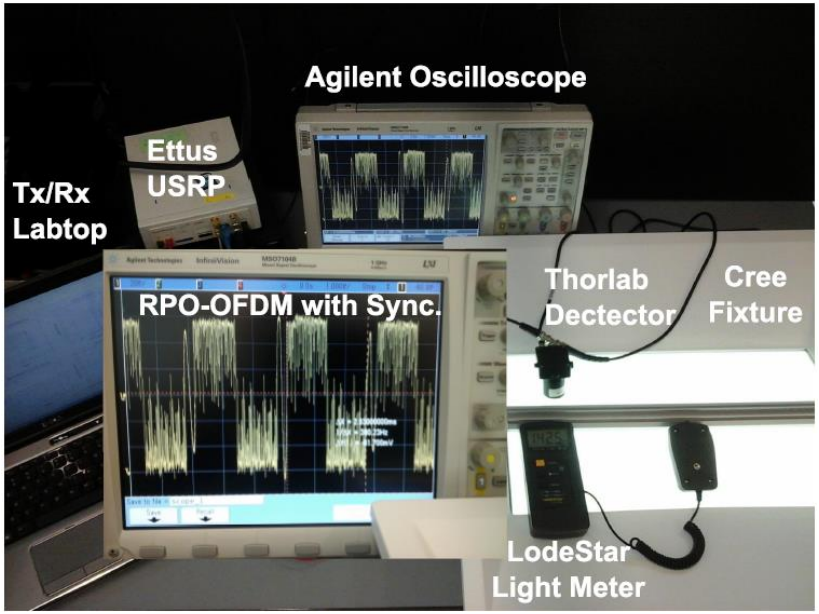


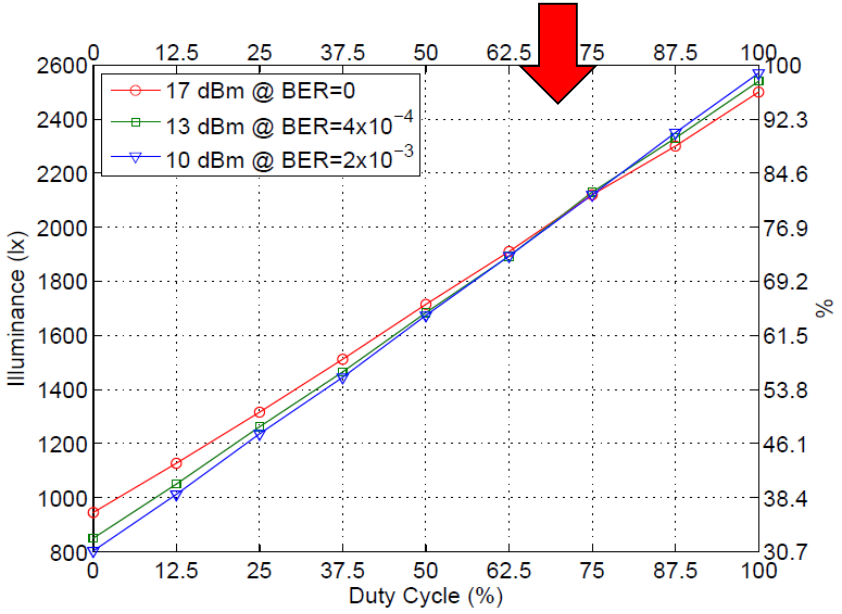
Reverse polarity modulation simulation results and proof-of-concept setup



Simulation
Dimming vs. duty cycle; different average OFDM signal power

Experimental
Illuminance/dimming percentage vs. duty cycle; different average OFDM signal power/BER





Conclusion

- Reverse Polarity Modulation:
  - Linear dimming with conventional PWM from lighting industry
  - Performance does not need to be reduced proportional to intensity
  - Bit-error performance is sustained over a large fraction of the dimming range
  - A practical approach; capacity is not limited by the PWM frequency
- Enhanced ACO-OFDM (SEE-OFDM) and Polar Optical Transmitters:
  - Improved spectral efficiency
  - Effective PAPR reduction

Part 4: LED ID PHY

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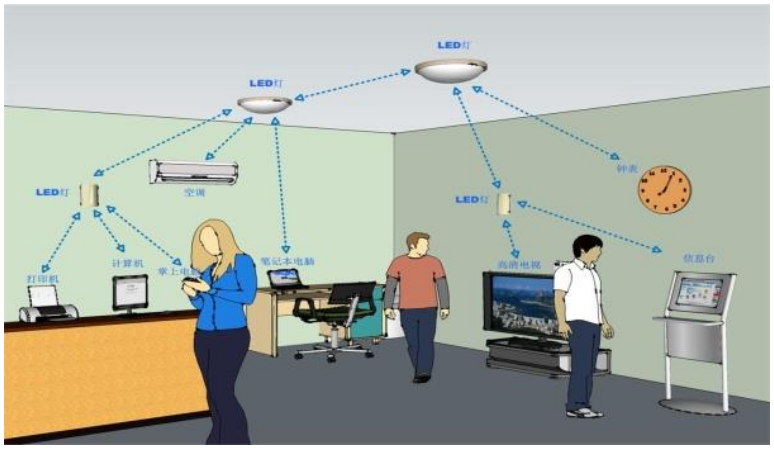
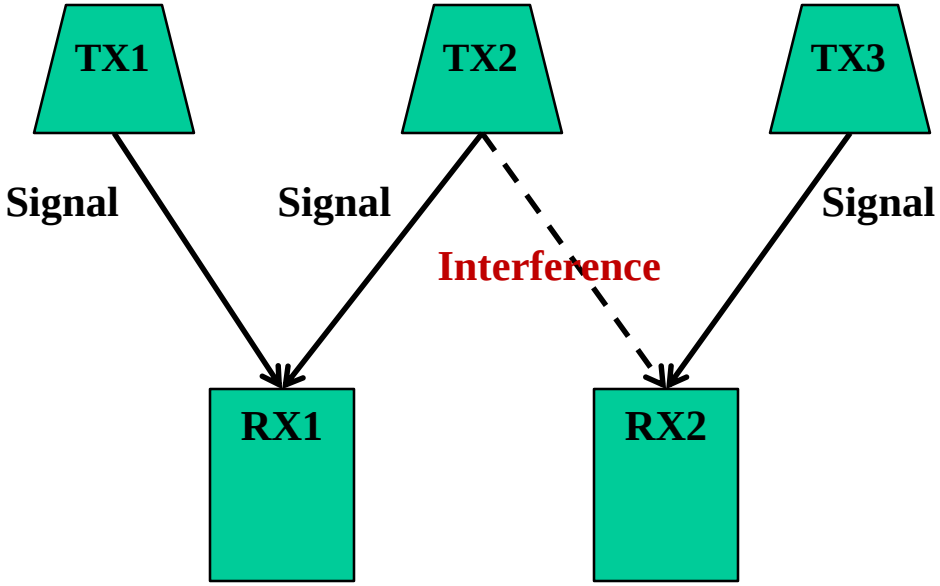
VLC with Multiple Transmitting LED





Multi-transmitter multi-receiver indoor visible light communication network

The Interference Issue

Performance degradation due to the interference:

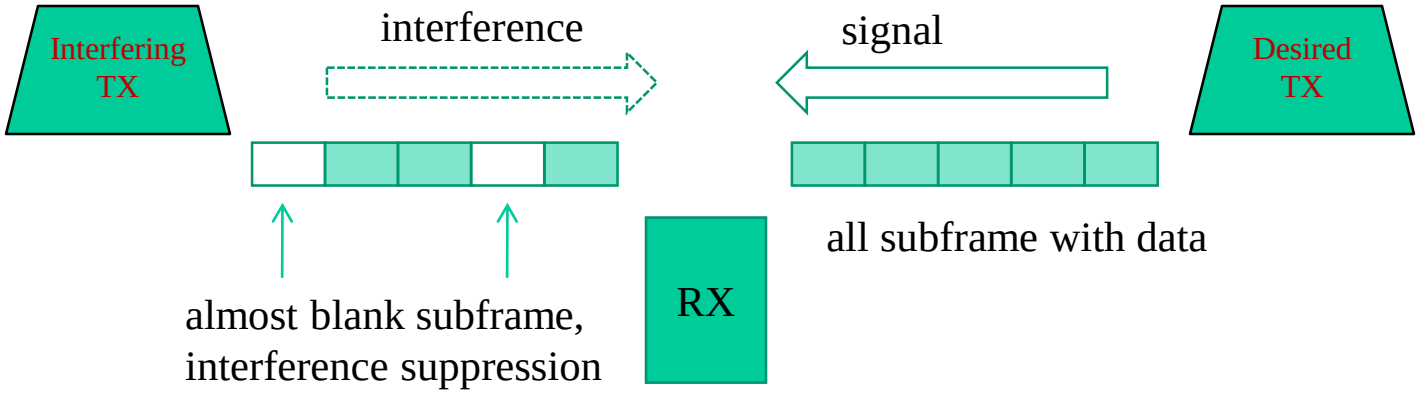
- Received signal quality degrades
- Achievable rate decreases
- Need to find a solution for the interference management

Interference Suppression at the Transmitter

Add some blank subframes into the transmission signal frame

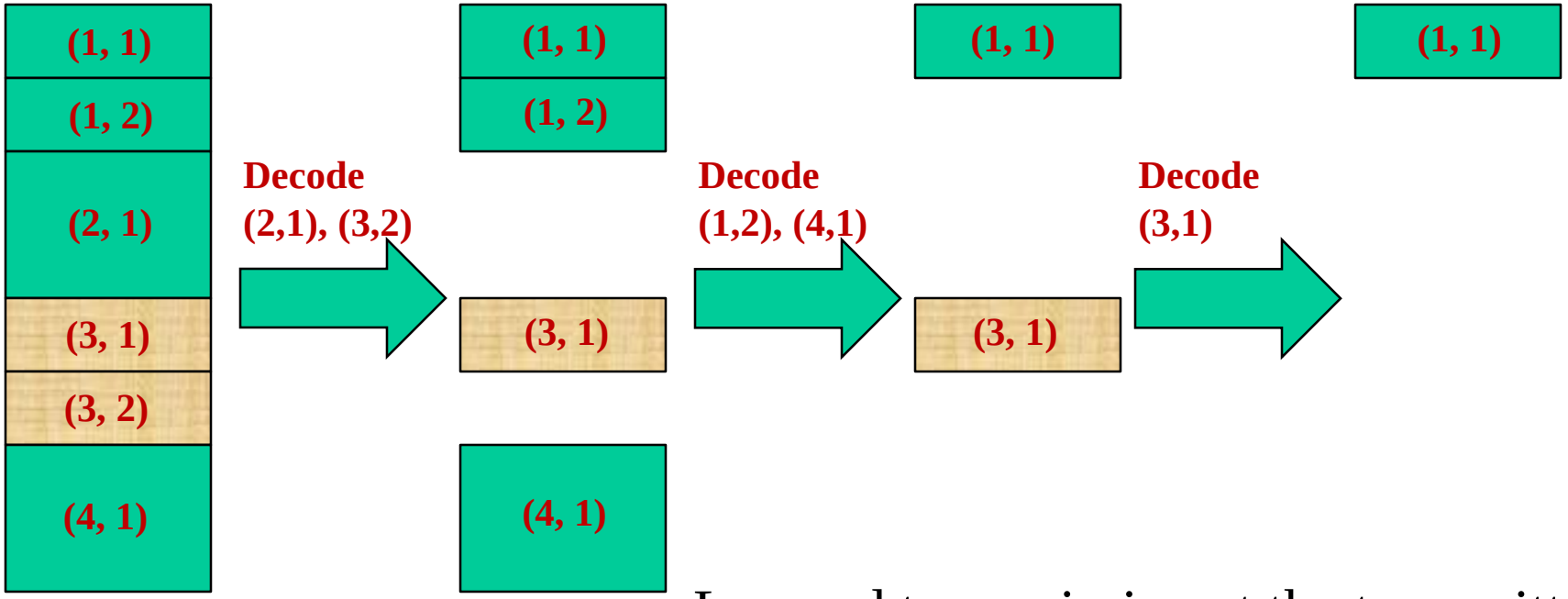
-reduce the rate of the interfering user

-alleviate performance degradation due to the interference



Layered Transmission with Interference Cancellation

Receiver 3



Layered transmission at the transmitter
Successive decoding at the receiver

Conclusion

- Interference due to multi-user visible light communication
- Layer transmission with interference cancellation
  - Frame coordination at the transmitter
  - Interference suppression by successive decoding at the receiver

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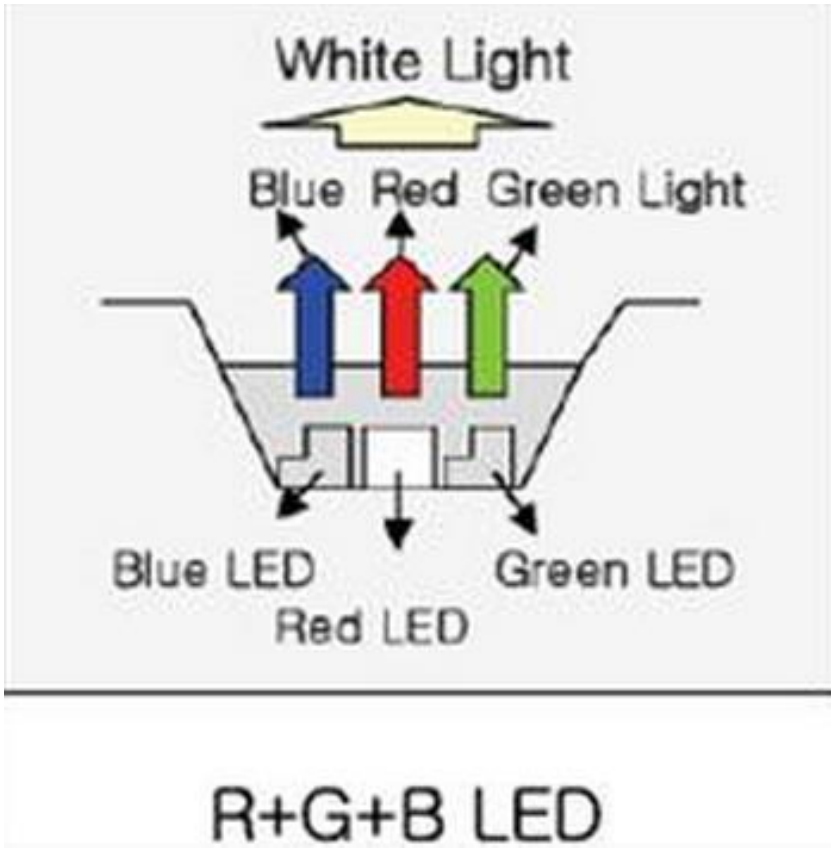
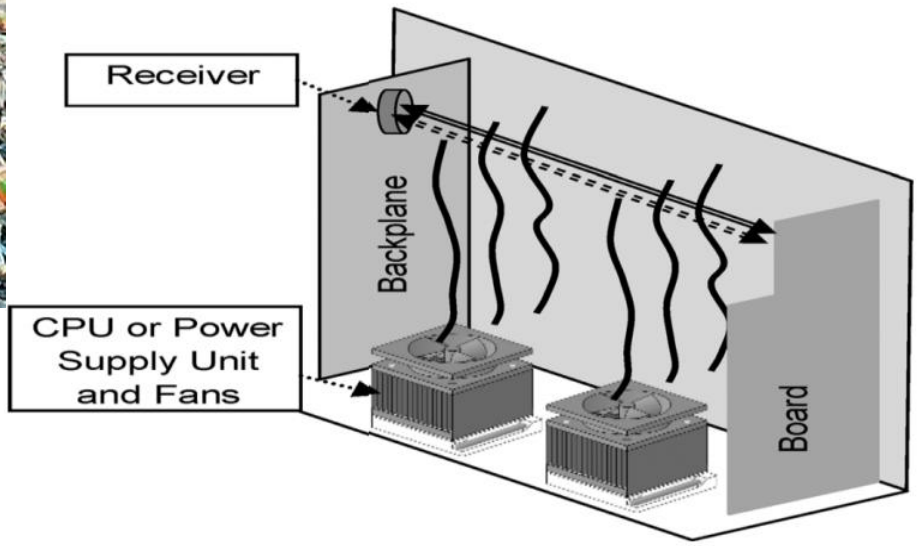
Multi-color Visible Light Communication (MC-VLC)

(A Natural Step Towards Exploiting Full VL Band)



- ❖ With single color LEDs, due to IM/DD, only a small portion of the VL band is utilized, the bandwidth equals that of the RF baseband equivalent;
- ❖ However, all-optical VLC is expensive, manufacture of optical oscillators is not mature;
- ❖ Multi-color VLC, with RGB LEDs, or with > 3 color LEDs are necessary.

Big Data Needs Fast Server



Fast Server Needs Ultra-wide Band

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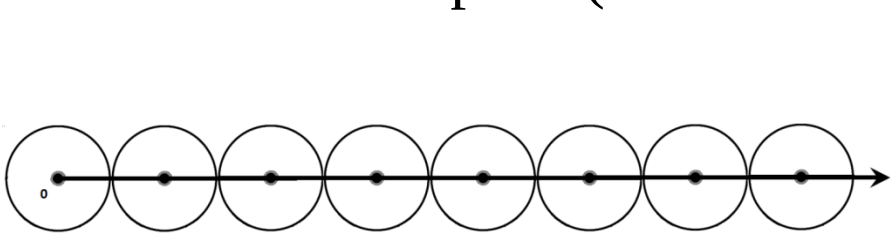
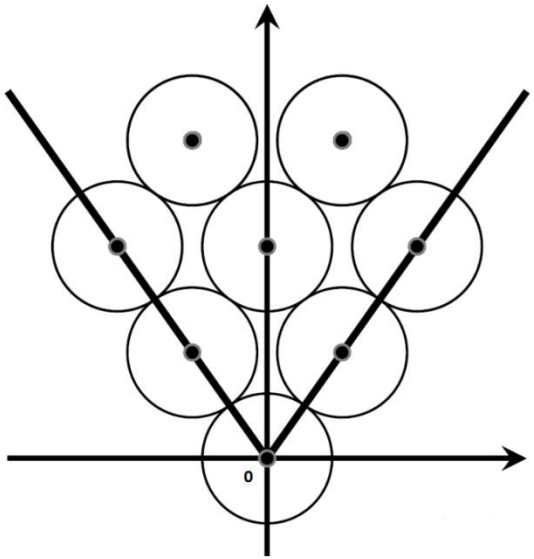
Challenges of MC-VLC

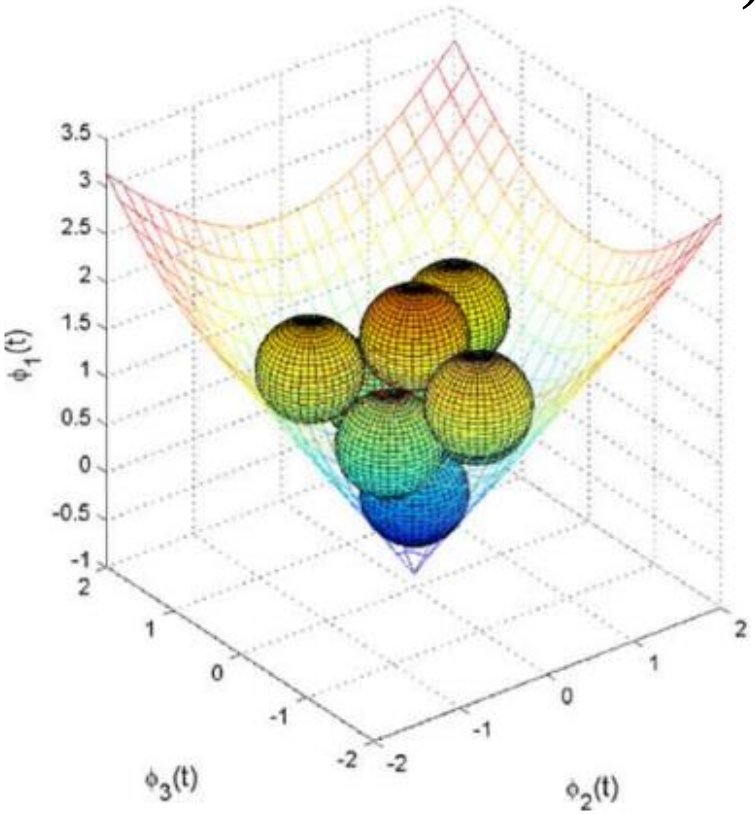
Some challenges for modulation of MC-VLC System:

- Energy-efficiency Maximizing Modulation Schemes:
  - It's not optimal to apply, e.g. OFDM for each color channel;
  - Color-shift Keying (CSK), requiring constant instantaneous sum intensity, is not optimal either;
- Channel specific modulation design or coding, e.g. air turbulence exists between the baud-to-backplane interconnections.

- What would Shannon suggest?
- Rethink about compactness of sphere packing in high dimension space (dimension=number of color channels used).







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Design in a even higher dimensional space:

- ❖ Larger energy gain is expected;
- ❖ Hybrid the CSK and OFDM, towards a joint color-frequency modulation (JCFM);
- ❖ Generalize the CSK by relaxing the constant instantaneous sum intensity constraint, replaced by a fixed time average intensity constraint for each color channel;
- ❖ Challenge: complexity may increase significantly.

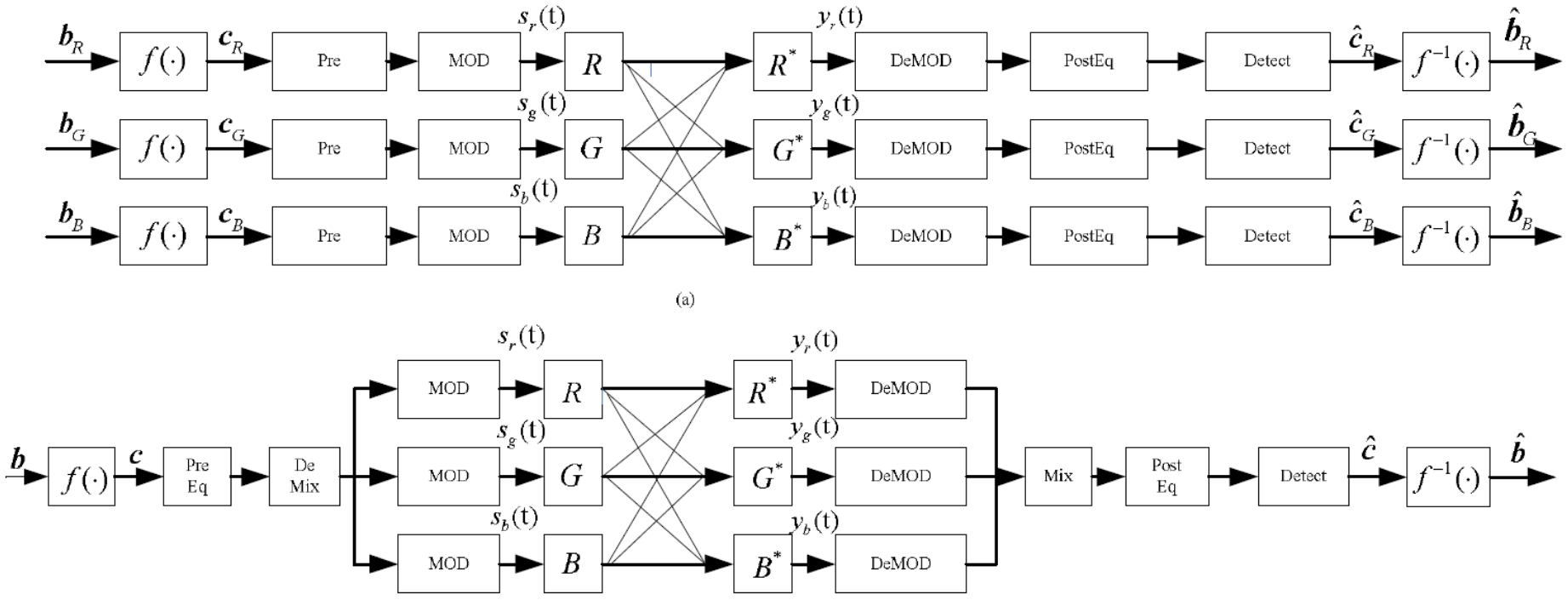

Fig.ure. Block diagram of Optical JCFM scheme, aiming at maximizing energy-efficiency.

Conclusion

- Multi-color VLC is suitable for board-to-backplane transmission with a big data server;
- Considering energy-efficiency, traditional OFDM or CSK schemes are not optimal;
- Frequency and color diversities are utilized jointly, and very high dimensional constellation can be designed to maximize energy-efficiency;
- Performance study on the new modulation scheme with air turbulence channel is necessary.