### Bluetooth: Short-range Wireless Communication

- Wide variety of handheld devices
   Smartphone palmton lapton
  - Smartphone, palmtop, laptop
- Need compatible data communication interface
  - Complicated cable/config. problem
- Short range wireless comm
  - On demand connectivity
- Inexpensive , application friendly, adopted by vendors

### Bluetooth

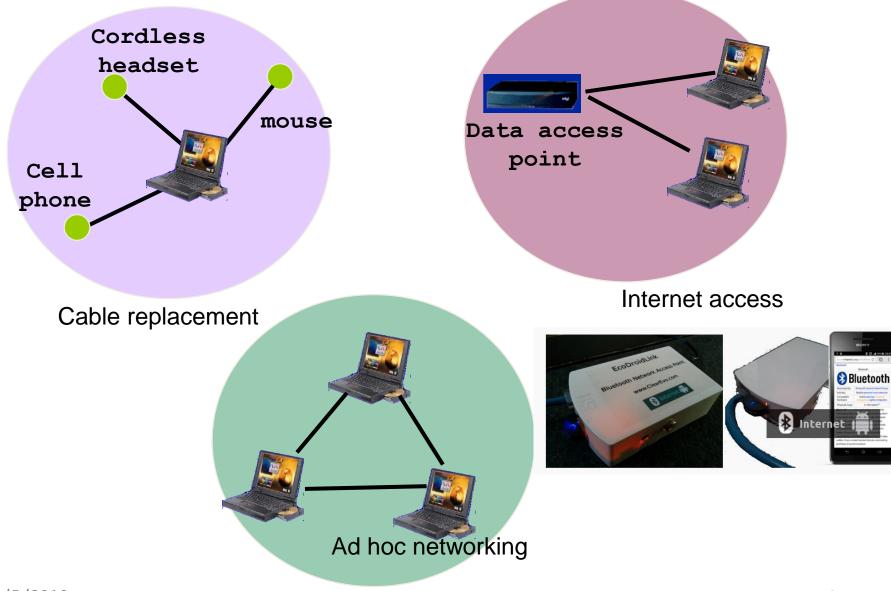


- A cable replacement technology
- 1 Mb/s rate
- Range 10+ meters
- Single chip radio + baseband
  - at low power & low price point

#### Why not use Wireless LANs?

- power
- cost

### Value proposition of Bluetooth



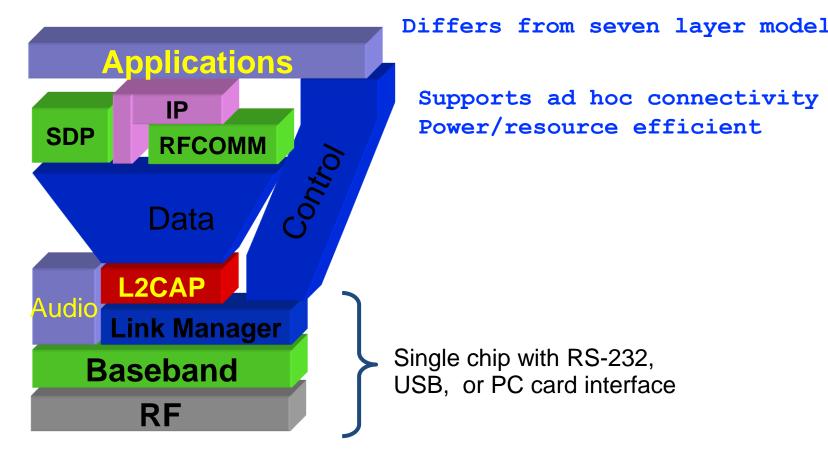
## **Bluetooth: Initial Days**

- February 1998: The Bluetooth SIG is formed
  - promoter company group: Ericsson, IBM, Intel, Nokia, Toshiba
- License free technology

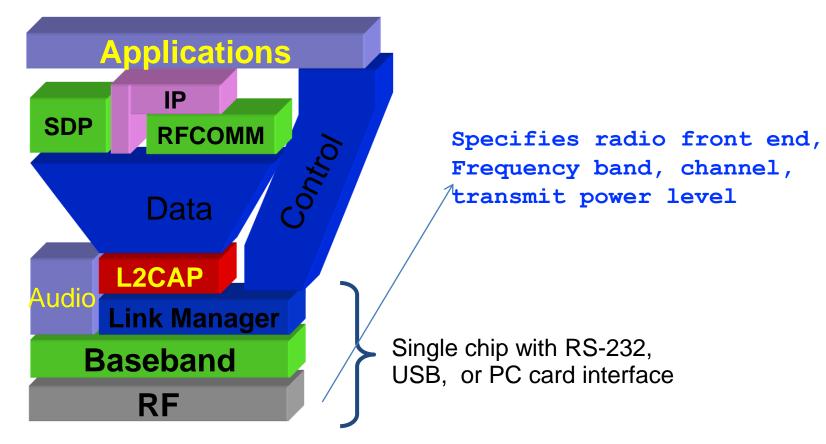
   Universal wireless connectivity
- May 1998: The Bluetooth SIG goes "public"
- July 1999: 1.0A spec (>1,500 pages) is published
- December 1999: ver. 1.0B is released

- Defines RF wireless communication interface
  - Communication protocols
  - Usage profile
- Link speed, communication range, power level is chosen
  - to support low cost, power efficient, single chip implementation
- Makes single chip radio that works in 2.4 GHz RF band

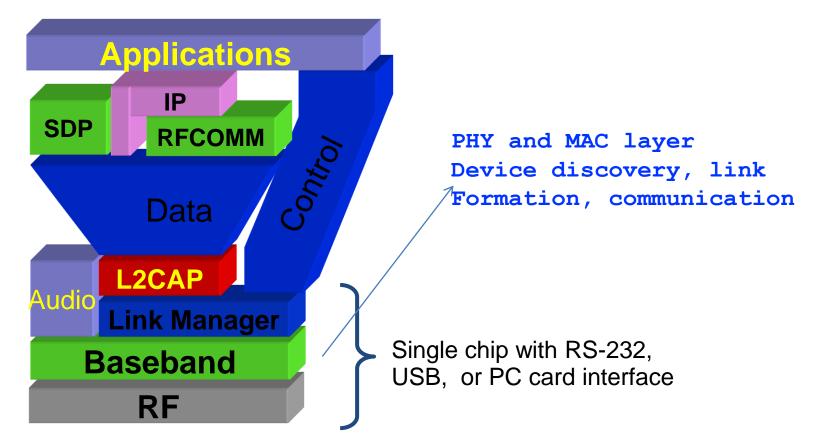
# Bluetooth Specifications



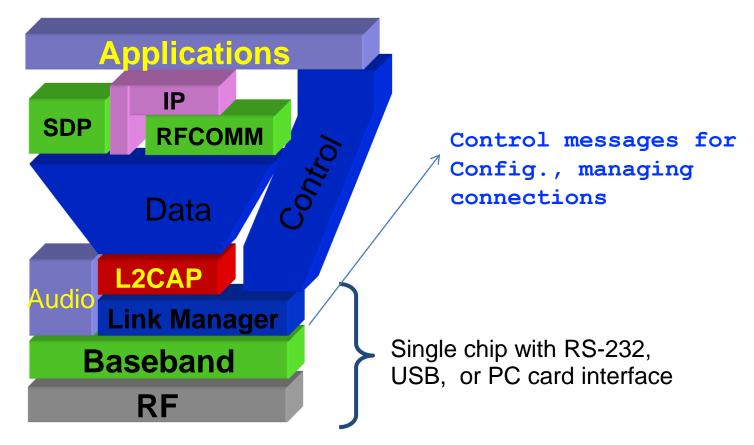
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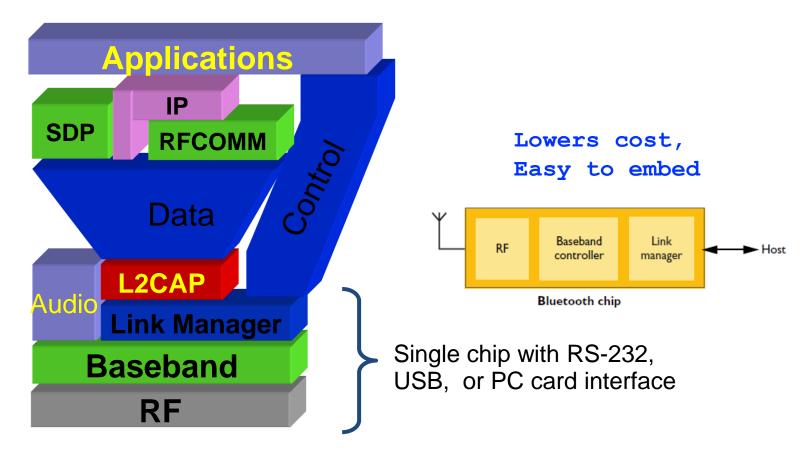
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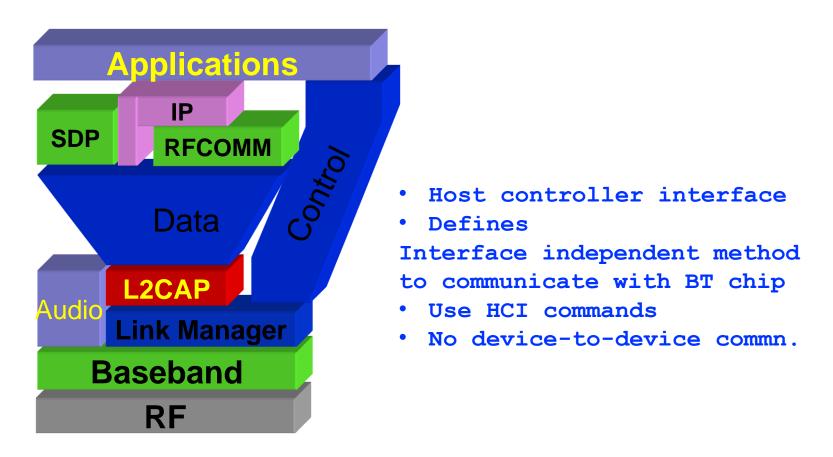
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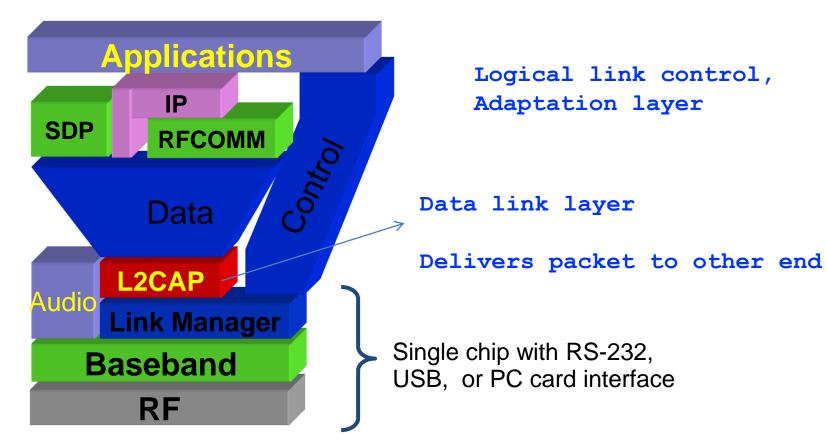
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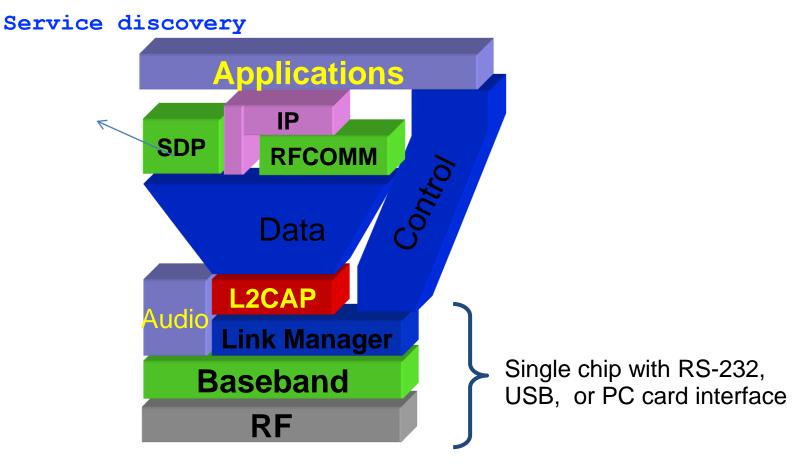
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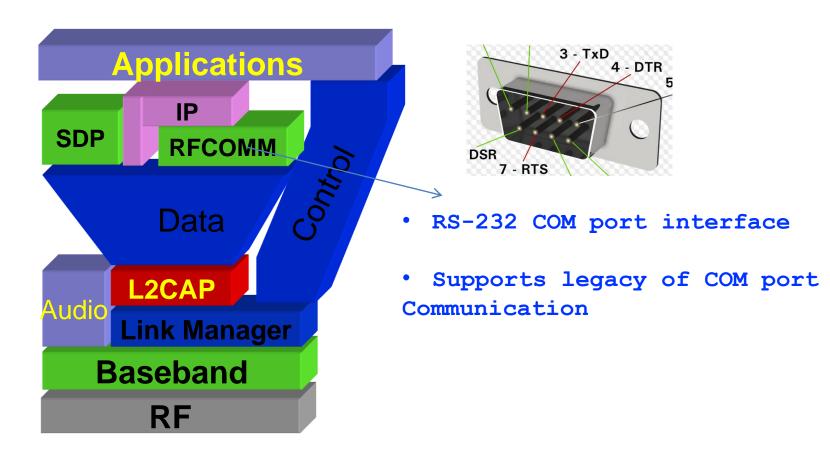
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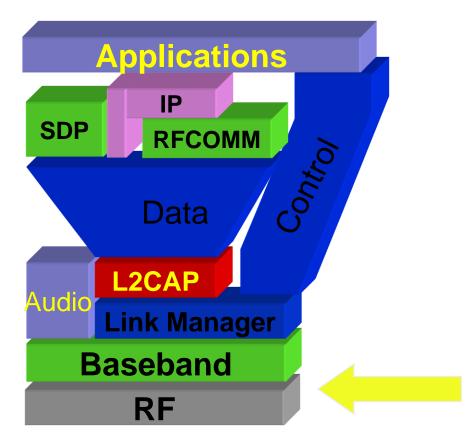


- Emulate RS-232 cable conn. on top of BT
- Supports classical applications---PPP

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# Technical Overview

### **Bluetooth Radio Specification**



2.4 GHz band --licence free use

#### 83.5 MHz is allocated

79 channels

Link speed 1Mbps

### Bluetooth Radio

- Uses 2.4 GHz band spread spectrum radio (2400 – 2483.5 MHz)
- Advantages
  - Free
  - Open to everyone worldwide
- Disadvantages
  - Can be noisy (microwaves, cordless phones, garage door openers)

# Radio

### Low Cost

- Single chip radio (minimize external components)
- Time division duplex
- Low Power
  - Standby modes [Hold, Sniff, Park]
  - Low power oscillator (reduces receiver sensitivity)

### Robust Operation

Fast frequency hopping

1600 hops/sec

Strong interference protection

## Radio & Modulation

- frequency synthesis: frequency hopping
  - 2.400-2.4835 GHz
  - 2.402 + k MHz, k=0, ..., 78
  - 1,600 hops per second
- conversion bits into symbols: modulation
  - GFSK (BT = 0.5; 0.28 < h < 0.35);</p>
  - 1 MSymbols/s
- transmit power
  - up to 20dbm with power control

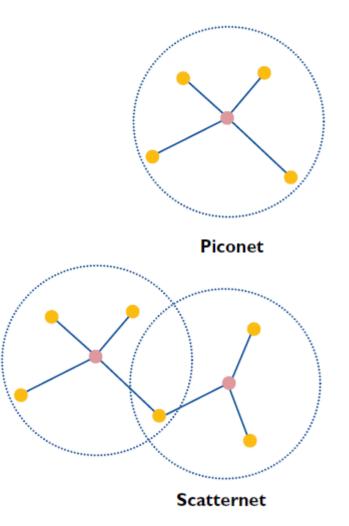
### **Piconet and Scatternet**

Piconet

- Set of BT devices sharing common channel
- One master, up to seven slaves
- Can serve more than 7
  - Switch to low park



- Bridge nodes
- Time share
- Interconnection of multiple piconets



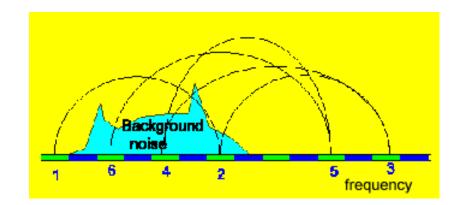
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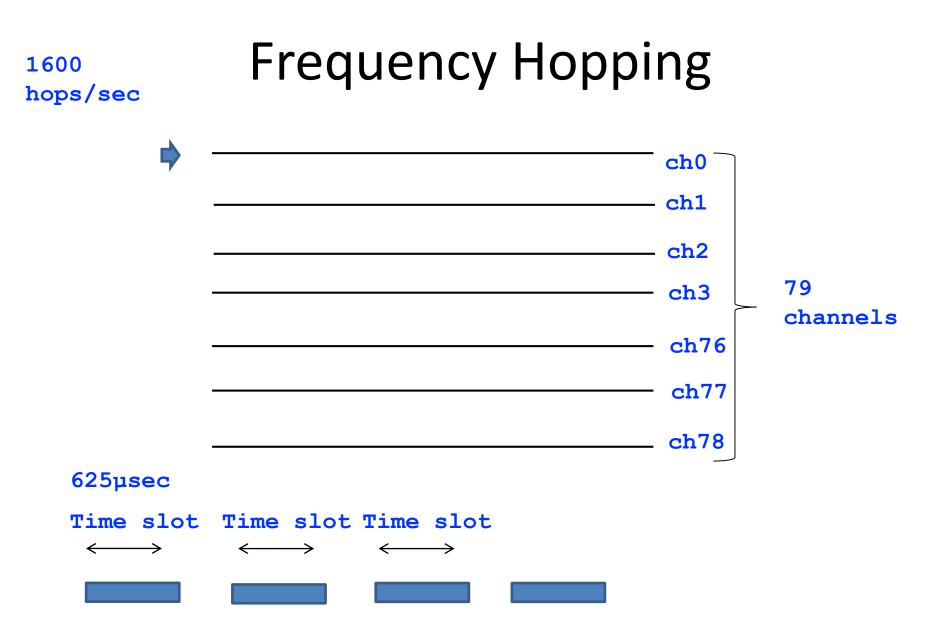
- Different low power modes for improving battery life
- Piconets are formed on demand when devices are ready for communication
- All other times, devices can be turned off
- Three kinds of low power modes are supported
- Hold: device should be put to sleep for a specified time duration-----master searches for new node
- Sniff: put slave in low duty cycle mode --- wake up periodically
- Park: Similar to sniff-----stay synchronized with master

Admits more than seven slaves

# **Frequency Hopping**

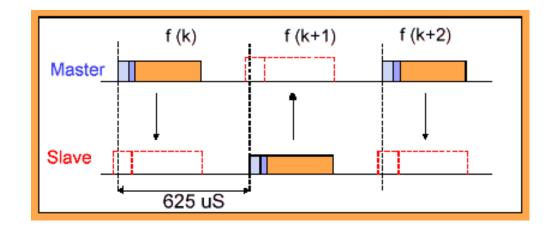
- In order to mitigate interference, Bluetooth implements frequency hopping
- 1600 hops per second through 79, 1MHz channels
- Spreads Bluetooth traffic over the entire band
- All slaves in piconet follow the master for frequency hop sequence



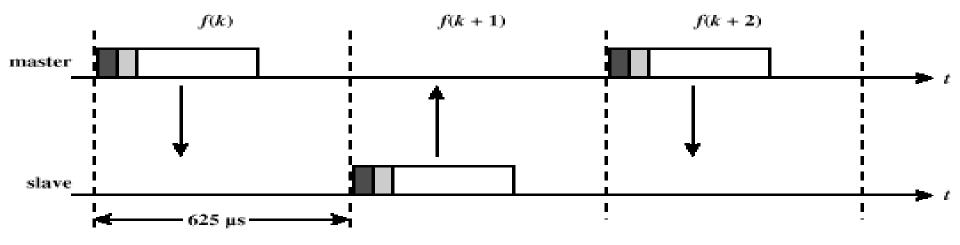


### **Frequency Hopping**

- Hops every packet
- Packets can be 1, 3, or 5 slots long (a slot is 625µs)
- Packets are pretty short (366 bits)



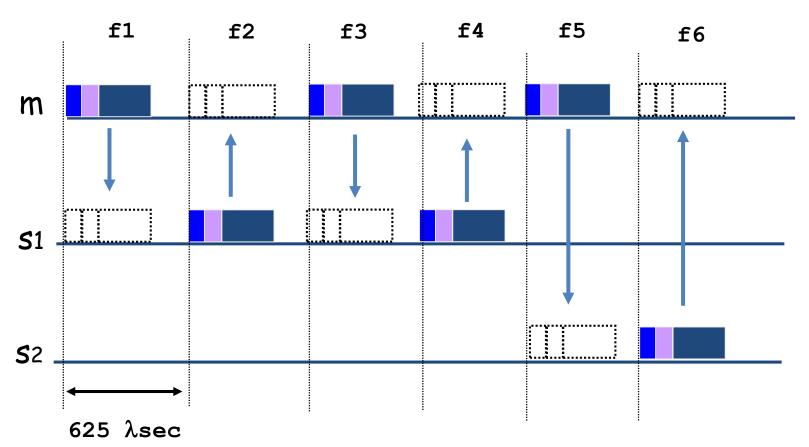
# **Frequency Hopping**



• Each frame uses a single hop frequency for its duration

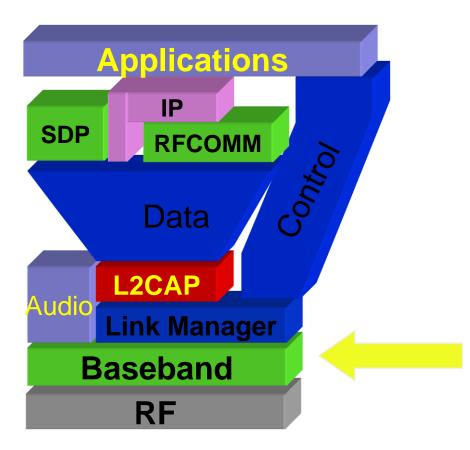
### **Piconet channel**

FH/TDD



1600 hops/sec

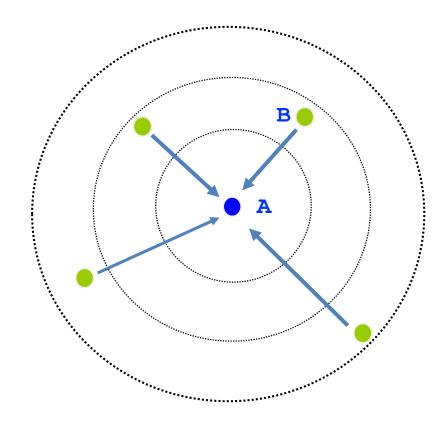
### Baseband



### **Piconet Connection Setup**

### Inquiry - scan protocol

- To discover nodes in proximity
- Paging
  - Establish connections
- Two nodes cannot exchange messages
  - Until they agree to a common channel hop sequence
- Mandate the use of a known inquiry hopping sequence



### Bluetooth: Hello, Anyone Around?

- Inquiry Procedure
  - Sends out an inquire, which is a request for nearby devices (within 10 meters)
  - Devices that allow themselves to be discoverable issue an inquiry response
  - Process can take up to 10.24 seconds, after which the inquiring device should know everyone within 10 meters of itself

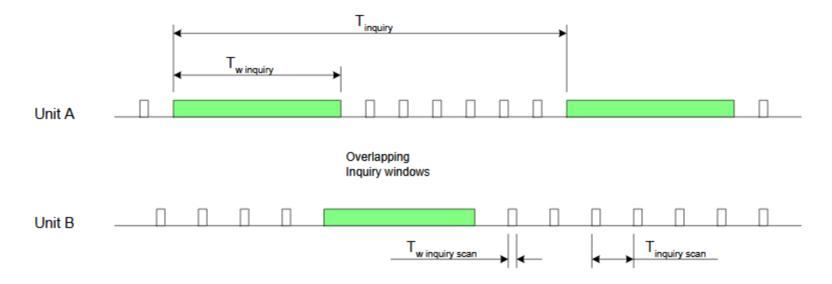
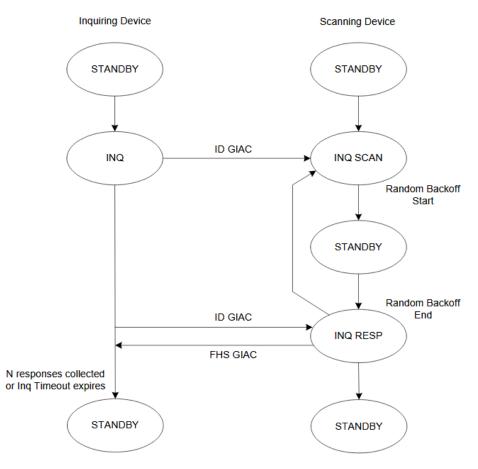
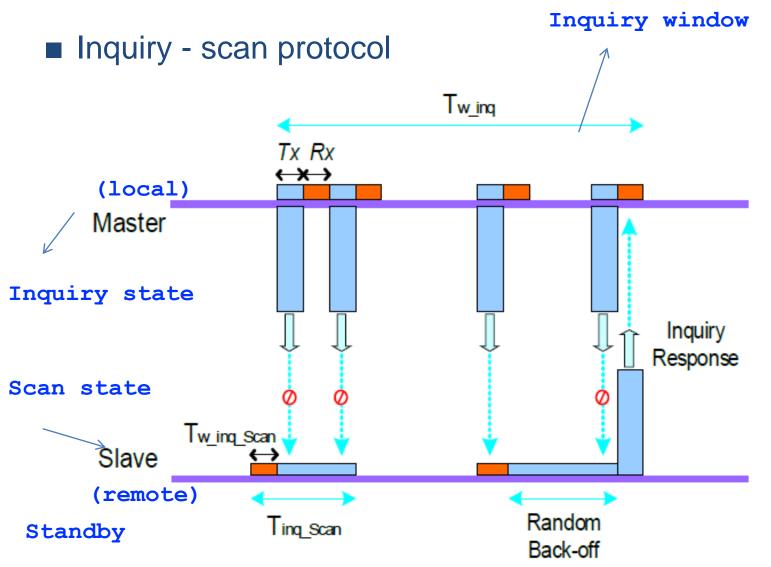


Figure 3.2: Periodic inquiry and inquiry scan.



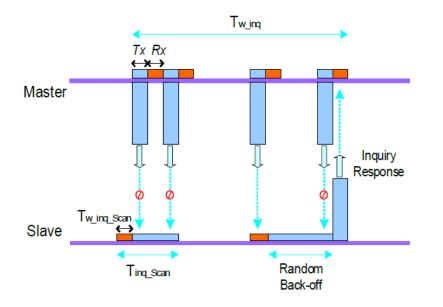
### **Connection Setup**



### **Connection Setup**

### Inquiry - scan protocol

 to learn about the clock offset and device address of other nodes in proximity



#### During this time the device listens to a single frequency of the InquiryHopping Sequence

# Main Idea Behind Inquire

- Inquiring device sends out an inquire on 16 different frequencies (16 channel train)
- Receiver (device in standby mode), performs an inquire scan long enough for an inquiring device
- Receiver does an inquire scan frequent enough so that it is guaranteed to wake up during a 16 channel train

# Inquiry

- Uses 32 inquire channels to send out inquiry messages
- Send out inquiry on 32 channels, broken up into 2 inquiry hop trains (16 different channels to transmit packets)
- Intended to catch a device in inquiry scan mode on one of the 32 inquire channels

# Inquiry Scan

- A device periodically listens for inquiry packets at a single frequency chosen out of 16 frequencies
- Stays in the state long enough for a inquiring device to cover 16 frequencies

# Issues with Inquire Messages

- Are the inquirer transmitting and the receiver listening on the same frequency?
  - Since they are not yet connected, they are on totally different hop sequences, and most likely on different channels
  - Known hop sequence
- If they are on the same frequency, what if they are on a noisy channel?
  - Bluetooth provides the capability for receivers to issue multiple inquiry responses

# Few numbers

- 10.24sec inquiry window
- 32 channels are used
- Two trains A and B of 16 freq.
- Slaves open the window for discovery

(11.25msec)

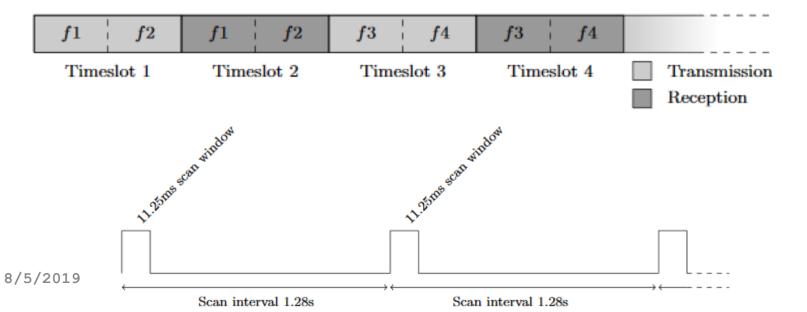
Scanning by master takes

0.625\*16=10msec

2 trains  $\times$  2 iterations  $\times$  256 times  $\times$  0.01 s = 10.24 s

- Repeat scan 128 (256) times
- First A then B
- Max delay master reaches slave

### 2.56 sec (5.12sec)

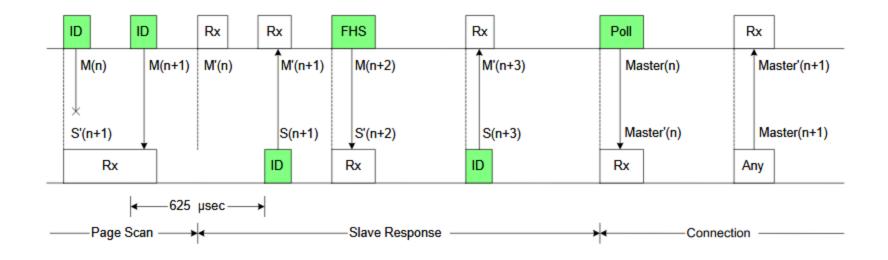


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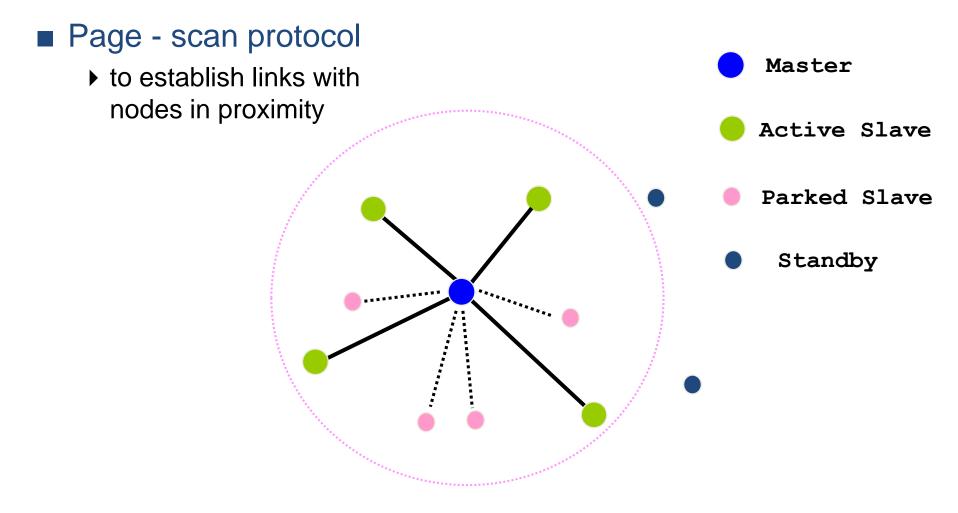
# Inquiry Response

- When radio receives inquire, it will wait before sending an FHS packet as a response
  - Exponential backoff
  - This is done to avoid collision with another radio that also wants to send an FHS packet
- FHS Packet contains:
  - Device ID
  - Clock
- After inquiring radio is done with inquiring procedure, it knows all of the radios (that are discoverable) within range

# Paging



# **Piconet formation**



# Paging

Similar process

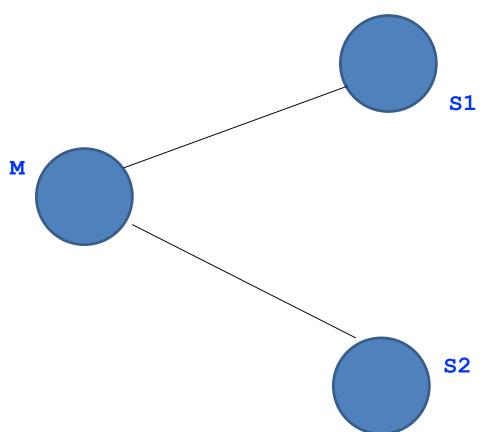
Unicast massage to selected listener

Master and slave get formed

# Admitting new device

- Master can start discovering
- Wait to be scanned
- Original communication gets suspended
- Latency

## Piconet channel comm.



Piconet channel is divided into 625µsec Slots Different freq. used

# **Baseband Layer**

- Provides functionality to determine nearby Bluetooth devices
- Provides in-order delivery of byte streams
- Handles Frequency Hop Sequences for Synchronization and Transmission
- Establishes Links
  - Synchronous Connection Oriented (SCO)
  - Asynchronous Connection-Link (ACL)

# **Piconet connection**

- Link speed 1Mbps
- 625 µsec slot time
  - Transmission of 625 bits
- Single slot packet size 366 bits (30 bytes payload)
   Guard time for feq. hop
- Two different kinds of links
  - SCO
  - ACL
  - On each link, 16 types of packet can be used

# Synchronous link (SCO)

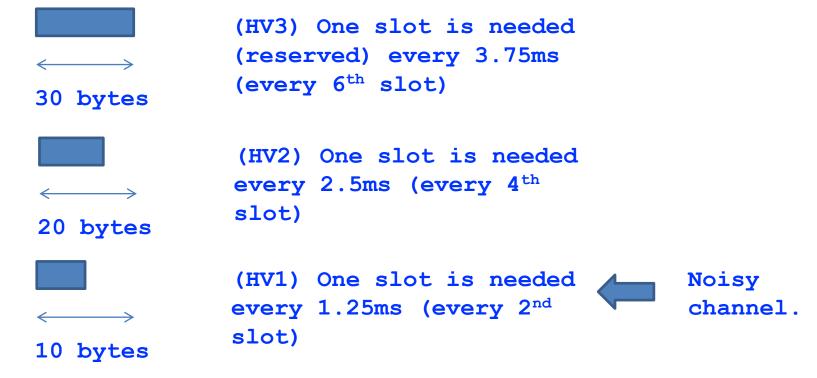
- Transmits real time voice
  - Master establishes the link
  - Master reserves slot
- Three kinds of voice packets

(1) HV3 : 30 bytes of voice data- no error correction code
(2) HV2: 20bytes of voice + 10 bytes of FEC code
(2) HV1: 10 bytes of voice + 20 bytes of FEC code

No retransmission

# Synchronous link (SCO)

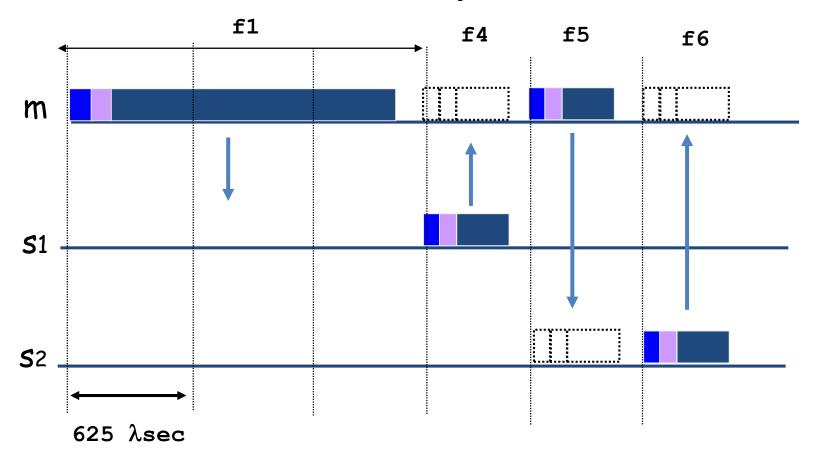
- Transmits real time voice
  - Reserve slot
- Speech coder generates 10 bytes every 1.25ms



# Asynchronous link

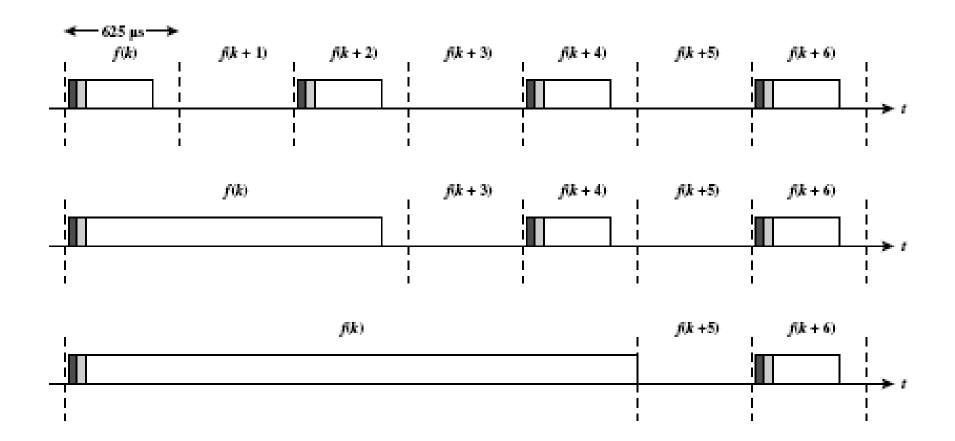
- Data communication
  - Momentary connection M and S for one frame
- Protected by cyclic redundancy code (CRC)
- Retransmission of data
  - For error, data loss
- Demand based slot allocation
  - SCO has higher priority on slots
- Master is responsible for distributing slots among ACL links
- Allow multislot packet transmission
  - 3,5
  - Transmitter stays fixed on a hop frequency

### Multi slot packets



FH/TDD

### **Multislot Frames**

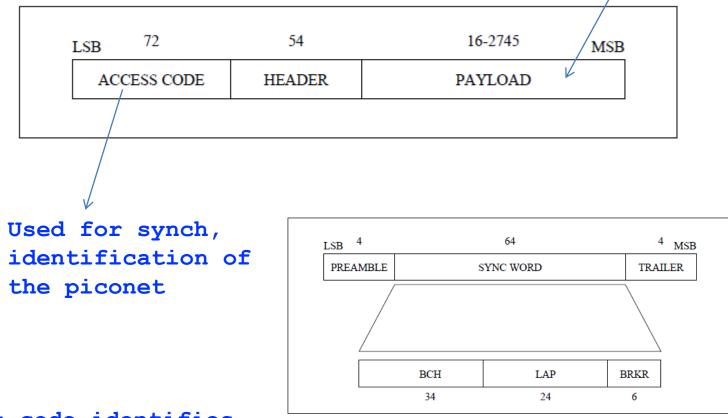


# Addressing

- Bluetooth device address (BD\_ADDR)
   48 bit IEEE MAC address
- Active Member address (AM\_ADDR)
  - 3 bits active slave address
  - all zero broadcast address
  - Temporary
- Parked Member address (PM\_ADDR)
  - 8 bit parked slave address

## Packet format

#### 2-342 bytes



Access code identifies all the packets exchanged in a piconet

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## Access code

#### Access Code

There are generally 3 access codes available

- 1. Device Access Code (DAC)
- 2. Channel Access Code (CAC)
- 3. Inquiry Access Code (IAC)
  - 1. General Inquiry Access Code (GIAC)
  - 2. Dedicated Inquiry Access Code (DIAC)

The channel access code identifies a unique piconet

The DAC is used for paging and its responses.

IAC is used for inquiry purpose.

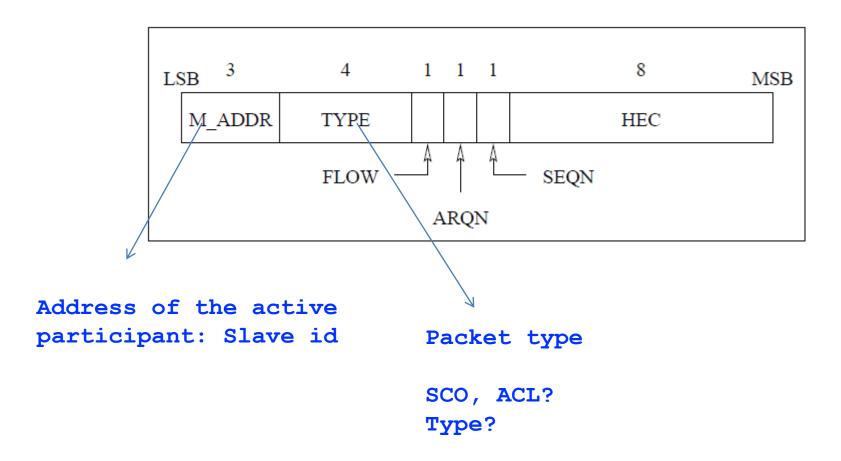
AccessCode	Access Name	Bit Size	Description
DAC	Device Access Code	68/72	Code to access a device during Paging operation.
CAC	Channel Access Code	72	Code to create a connection between two devices.
IAC	Inquiry Access Code	68/72	Codes, used during the Inquiry phase.
GIAC	General IAC	68/72	Code to access all Bluetooth devices.
DIAC	Dedicated IAC	68/72	Code to access a specific Bluetooth device.

### Access code

The Access Code is itself broken down into sub fields-Preamble, Sync Word and Trailer, as shown in the figure below

_SB 4	64	4_MSB	
PREAMBLE	SYNC WORD	TRAILER	

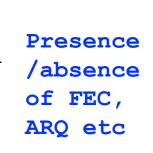
The Preamble is a 4 bit sequence of alternate 0 and 1 depending on the first bit of the subsequent Sync Word. There can be two values of 0101 or 1010 depending on the first bit of the Sync Word is 0 or 1. The Sync Word is a 64 bit code that is derived from the 24 bit LAP. The Sync Word is derived from the Master BD\_ADDR's LAP if the packet is for Channel Access. IF the packet is for Device Access, the LAP of the Slave is used and if the packet is for Inquiry Access, a standard LAP value is used. The Trailer is a sequence of 4 bits of alternating 0 and 1 depending on the last bit of the Sync Word. The Trailer is used if the Sync Word is followed by the Header Field, but may also be used in other cases.



				Us
Segment	TYPE	SCO link	ACL link	01
	0000	NULL	NULL /	7
Control	0001	POLL	POLL	
Packets	0010	FHS	FHS	
	0011	DM1	DM1	
	0100		DH1	
Single	0101	HV1		
Slot	0110	HV2		
Packets	0111	HV3		
	1000	DV		
	1001		AUX1	
	1010		DM3	
3-Slot	1011		DH3	
Packets	1100			
	1101			
5-Slot	1110		DM5	
Packets	1111		DH5	

Used for acknowledgements or flow control.

Used by the master to poll slaves. Requires acknowledgement.

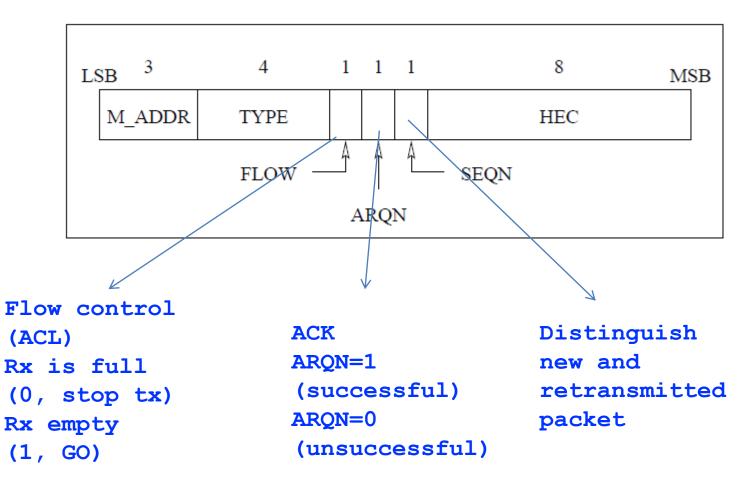


### **Error correction**

- FEC, ARQ
- FEC=> reduce retransmission
- Overhead
- Flexible to protect payload: DM, DH

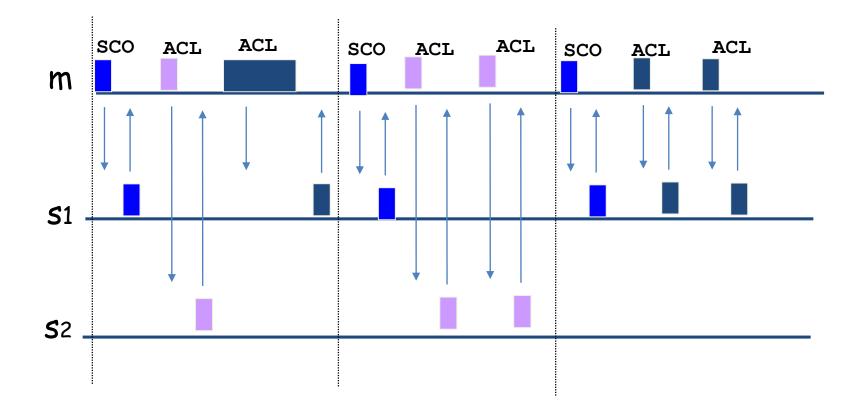
With FEC

Without FEC

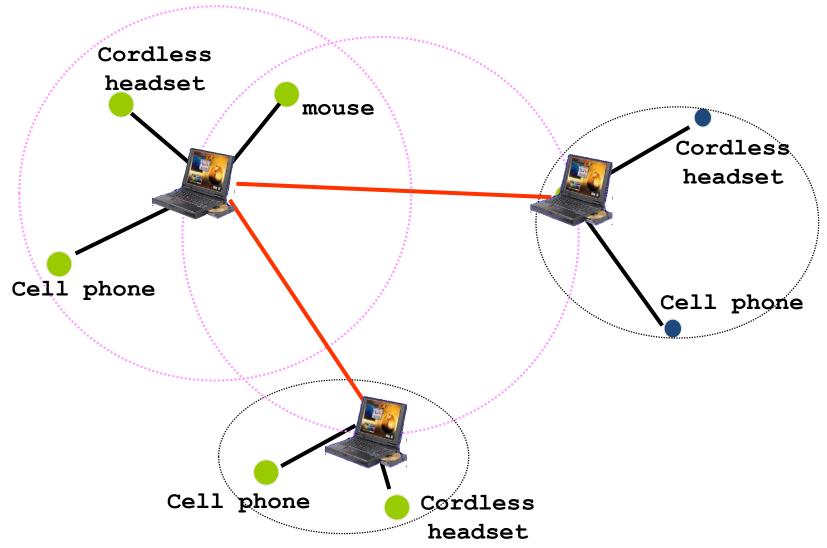


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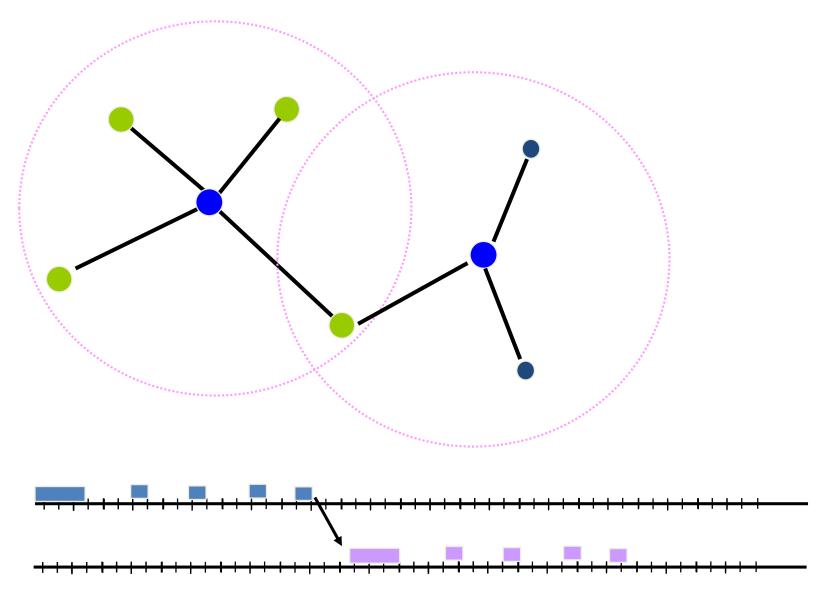
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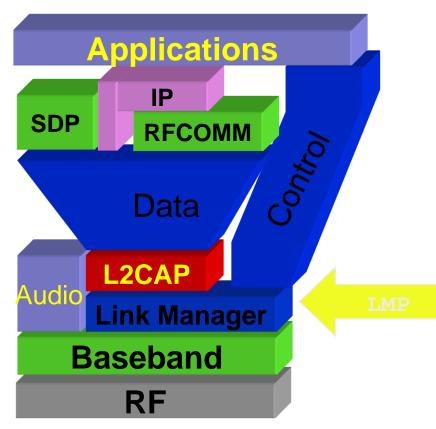
### Inter piconet communication



### Scatternet



### Link Manager Protocol



Setup and Management of Baseband connections

- Piconet Management
- Link Configuration
- Security

# Link Manager Protocol

### Piconet Management

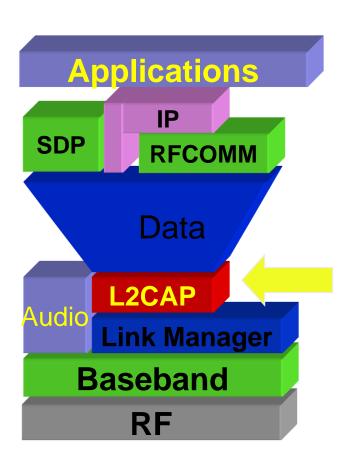
- Piconet creation
- Attach and detach slaves
- Master-slave switch
- Establishing SCO and ACL links
- Handling of low power modes (Sniff, Hold, Park)

### Link Configuration

- packet type negotiation
- power control

### Security functions

- Authentication
- Encryption



### Logical Link Control and Adaptation Protocol

- L2CAP provides
  - Protocol multiplexing
  - Segmentation and Re-assembly

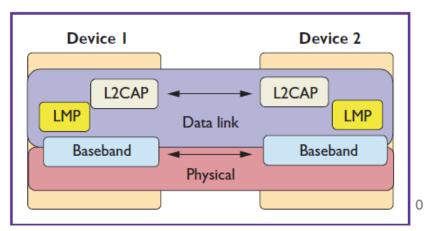
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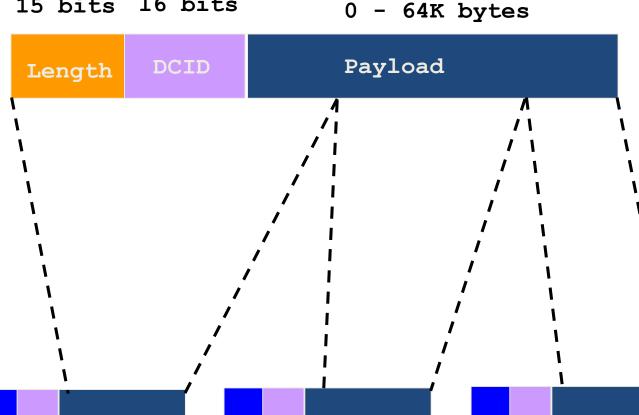
# L2CAP

Does not support integrity, reliability checks. Protocol multiplexing

- Mux/Demux of higher layer protocols is supported using channels- each higher layer protocol is carried in a different channel
- L2CAP must be able to distinguish between upper layer protocols such as the Service Discovery Protocol, RFCOMM, and Telephony Control.
- Segmentation and Re-assembly
  - Data packets defined by the Baseband Protocol are limited in size
  - Large L2CAP packets must be segmented into multiple smaller Baseband packets prior to their transmission over the air
  - multiple received Baseband packets may be reassembled into a single larger L2CAP packet following a simple integrity check
  - Segmentation and Reassembly (SAR) functionality is absolutely necessary to support protocols using packets larger than those supported by the Baseband.



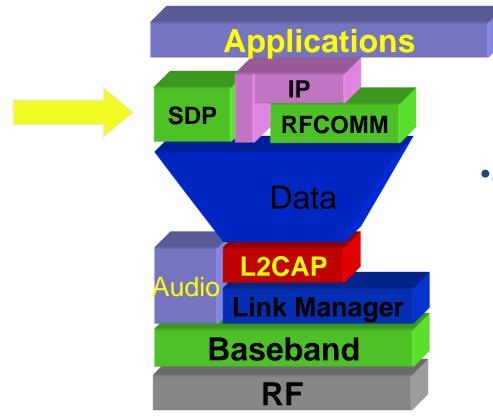
## **L2CAP** Packet Format



15 bits 16 bits

Baseband packets

## Bluetooth Service Discovery Protocol



### •SDP provides

- Standard means for a BT device to query and discover services offered by a peer BT device
- It's a client-server protocol

# Example usage of SDP

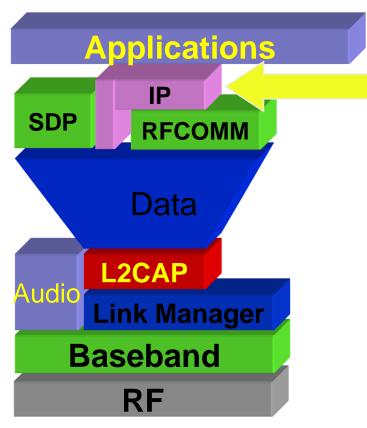
- Establish L2CAP connection to remote device
- Query for services
  - Search [if it knows UUID of the service] for specific class of service, or
  - browse for services
- Retrieve attributes that detail how to connect to the service
- Establish a separate (non-SDP) connection to user the service

# **Interoperability & Profiles**

Table 1. Profiles defined in Bluetooth 1.1 specifications.

Use case	Description
Generic access	Generic procedures for discovery and link management of connecting to Bluetooth devices.
Service delivery	Features and procedures for a Bluetooth device application to discover services registered in other devices.
Cordless telephone	Features and procedures for interoperability between different units active in a "3-in-1" phone.
Intercom	Requirements for supporting intercom functionality within a "3-in-1" phone.
Serial port	Requirements for setting up emulated serial cable connections using RFCOMM between two peer devices.
Headset	End-user service requirements and interoperability features for Bluetooth devices implementing headsets.
Dial-up networking	End-user service requirements and interoperability features for Bluetooth devices implementing dial-up networking.
Fax	End-user service requirements and interoperability features for Bluetooth devices implementing fax services.
LAN access	Definition of (a) how Bluetooth devices can access LAN services using PPP and (b) how the PPP mechanisms form a network.
Generic object exchange	Requirements for Bluetooth devices to support object exchange usage models.
Object push	Application requirements for Bluetooth devices to support the object push usage model.
File transfer	Application requirements for Bluetooth devices to support the file transfer usage model.

## IP over Bluetooth V 1.0



### GOALS

- Internet access using cell phones
- Connect PDA devices & laptop computers to the Internet via LAN access points