



Wireless Channel Modeling and Wireless Systems Design

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Short Bio

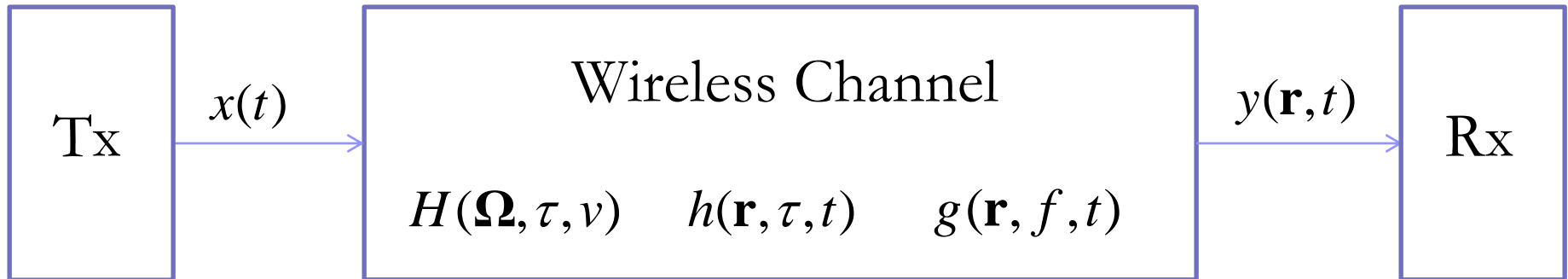
- Apr 2003 – Jun 2008: PhD Candidate, University of Patras
 - ✓ Dissertation: “Statistical Characterization of Multipath Propagation and Received Signal in Time Varying Wireless Channels”
- Dec 2009 – Jul 2016: University of Bedfordshire
 - ✓ Research Fellow, Dec 2009 – Aug 2011
 - ✓ Lecturer/Senior Lecturer, Sep 2011 – Jul 2016
- Aug 2016 – Dec 2021: Lecturer, University of Glasgow
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➤ Wireless Channel Modeling

Wireless Communication System Model



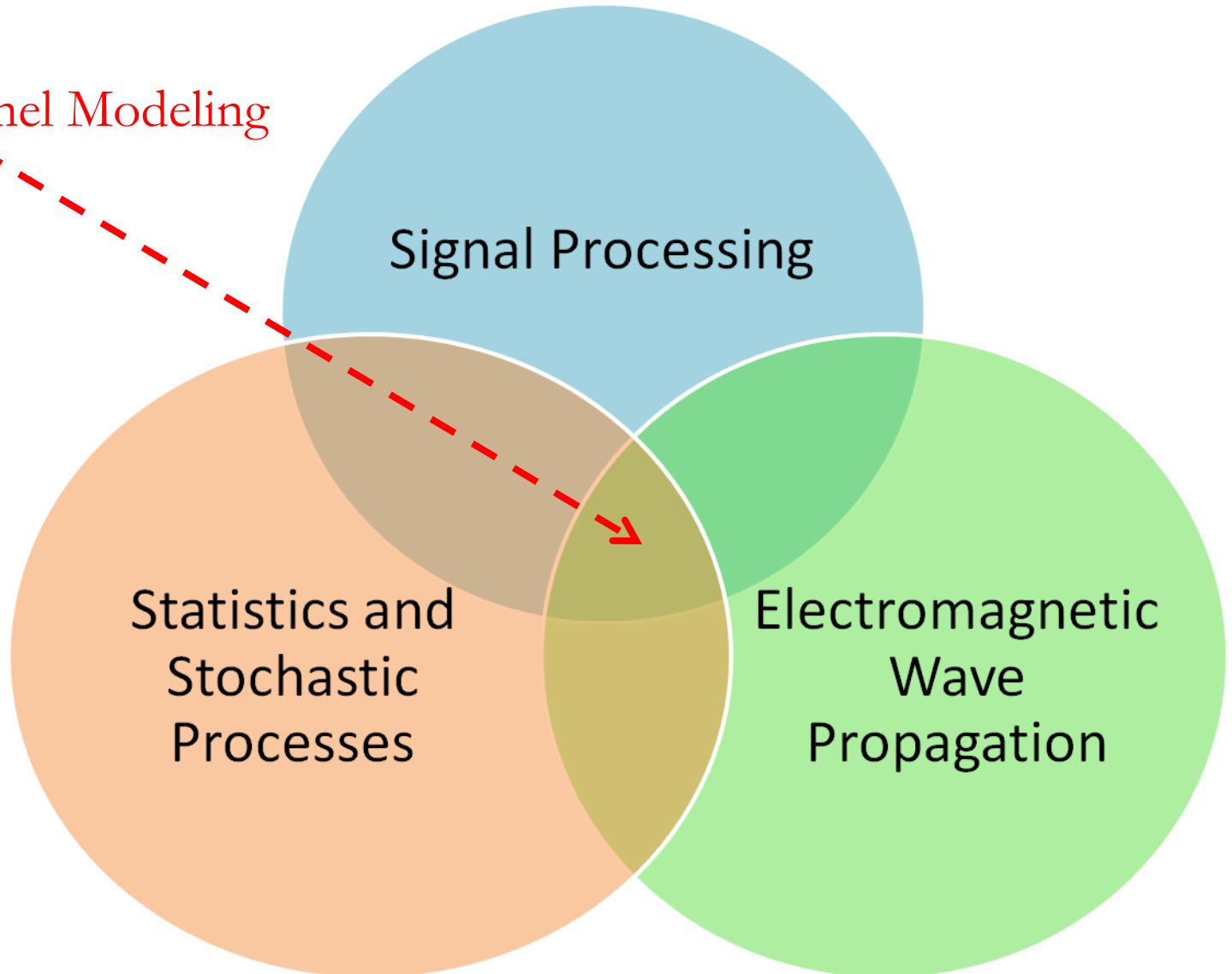
➤ Wireless Channel Modeling (Small Scale)

Mathematically describe/characterize the (equivalent) wireless channel responses in compliance with the Maxwellian basis of electromagnetic wave propagation.

✓ Absolutely necessary to design reliable/optimum wireless systems and components, i.e., antennas, multiplexers (OFDM, CDMA), diversity combiners!

Research Disciplines

Wireless Channel Modeling



Signal Processing

Statistics and
Stochastic
Processes

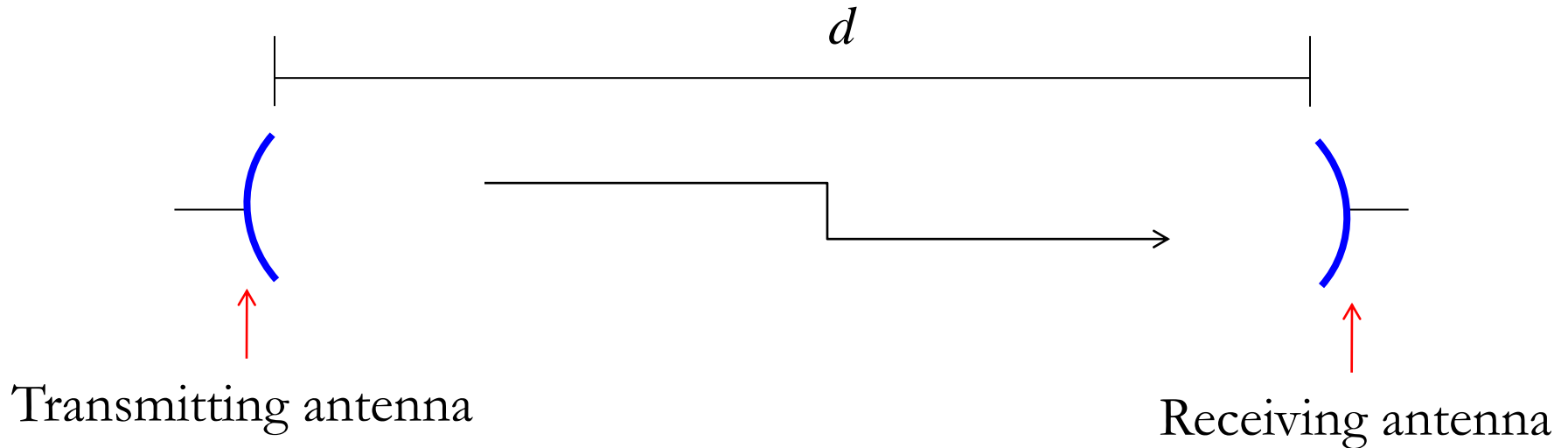
Electromagnetic
Wave
Propagation

Propagation Mechanisms

- Line-of-sight (LOS)
- Reflection and transmission
- Diffraction
- Scattering
- Waveguiding

Propagation Mechanisms

Line-of-sight (LOS)

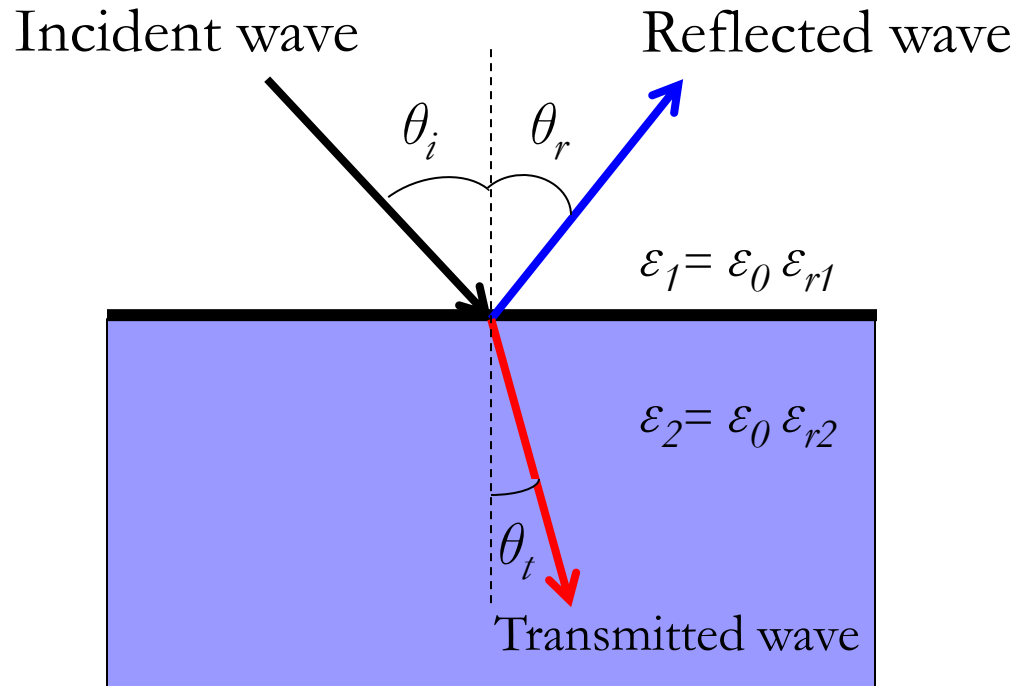


✓ Friis' formula: $P_r = P_t G_r G_t \left(\frac{\lambda_0}{4\pi d} \right)^2 = \frac{P_t G_r G_t}{L}$

✓ Free space loss: $L = \left(\frac{4\pi d}{\lambda_0} \right)^2$

Propagation Mechanisms

Reflection and transmission



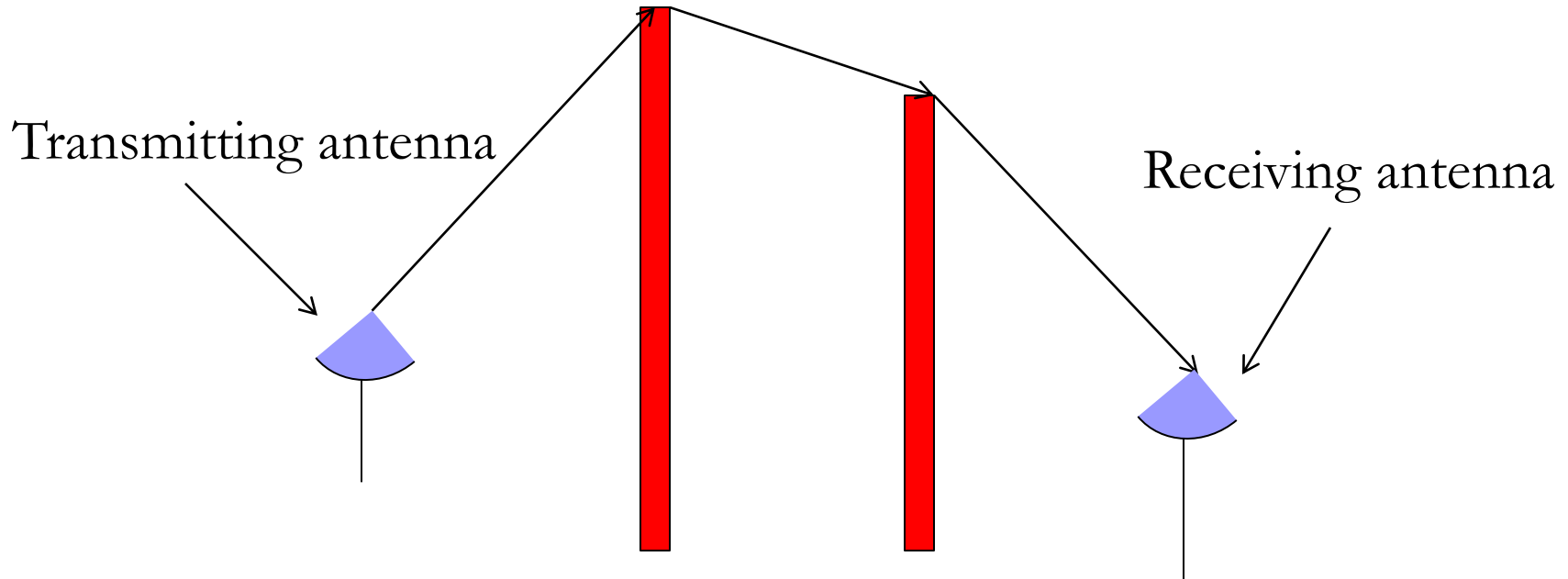
$\epsilon_{r1}, \epsilon_{r2}$: Relative dielectric constants of materials 1 and 2, respectively

$\theta_i, \theta_r, \theta_t$: Incidence angle, reflection angle, transmission angle, respectively

✓ Snell's law : $\theta_r = \theta_i$ $\frac{\sin \theta_t}{\sin \theta_r} = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_{r1}}{\epsilon_{r2}}}$

Propagation Mechanisms

Diffraction



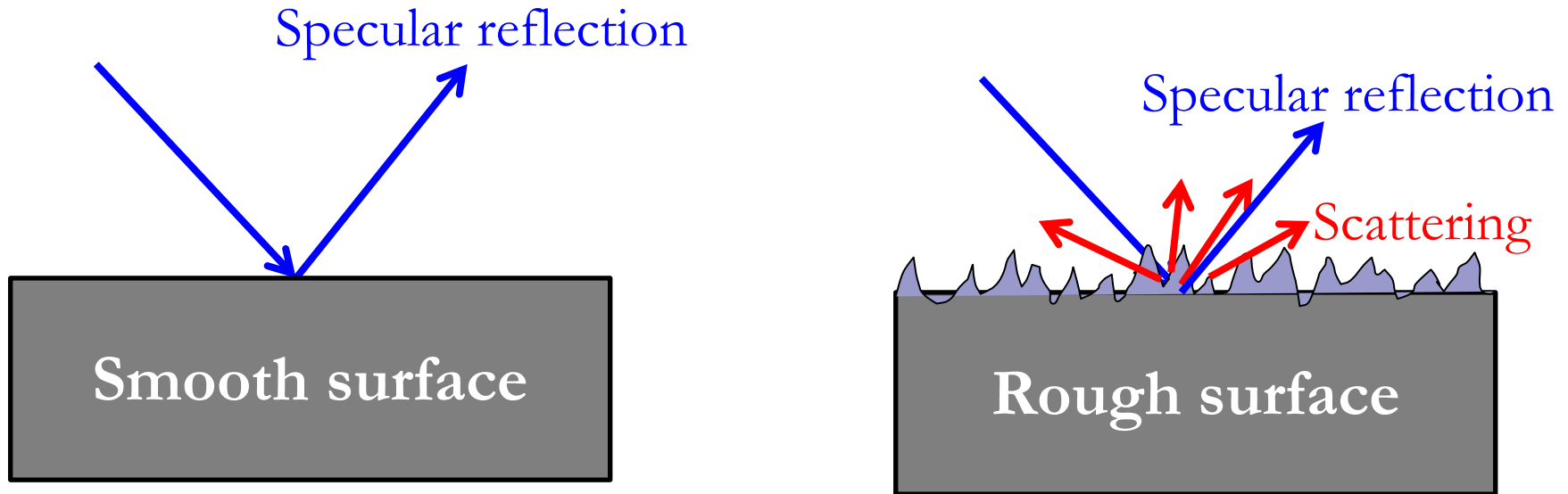
- ✓ Wave “bending” during the interaction with sharp edges
- ✓ Causes power loss (shadowing), but makes propagation possible behind tall objects

➤ Rules-of-thumb

1. Increased power loss with increased frequency (decreased wavelength)
2. Less evident as wavelength decreases with respect to sharpness size

Propagation Mechanisms

Scattering



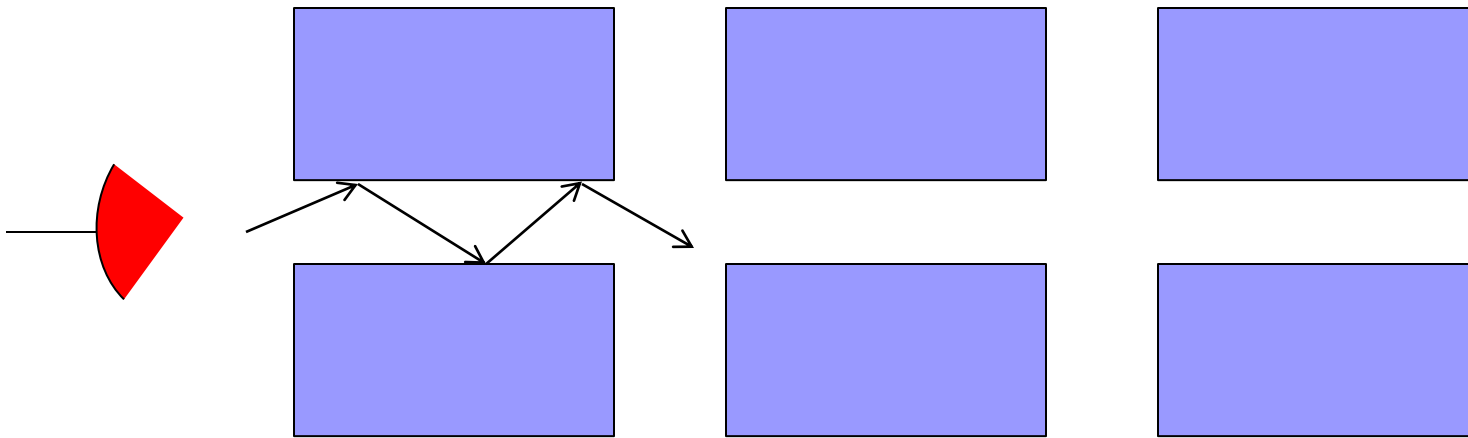
- ✓ Results random number of arbitrarily directed diffuse components
- ✓ Smoothness and roughness are determined by the wavelength

➤ Rules-of-thumb

1. Roughness dimension should be much larger than the wavelength
2. Increased roughness with decreased wavelength (increased frequency)

Propagation Mechanisms

Waveguiding

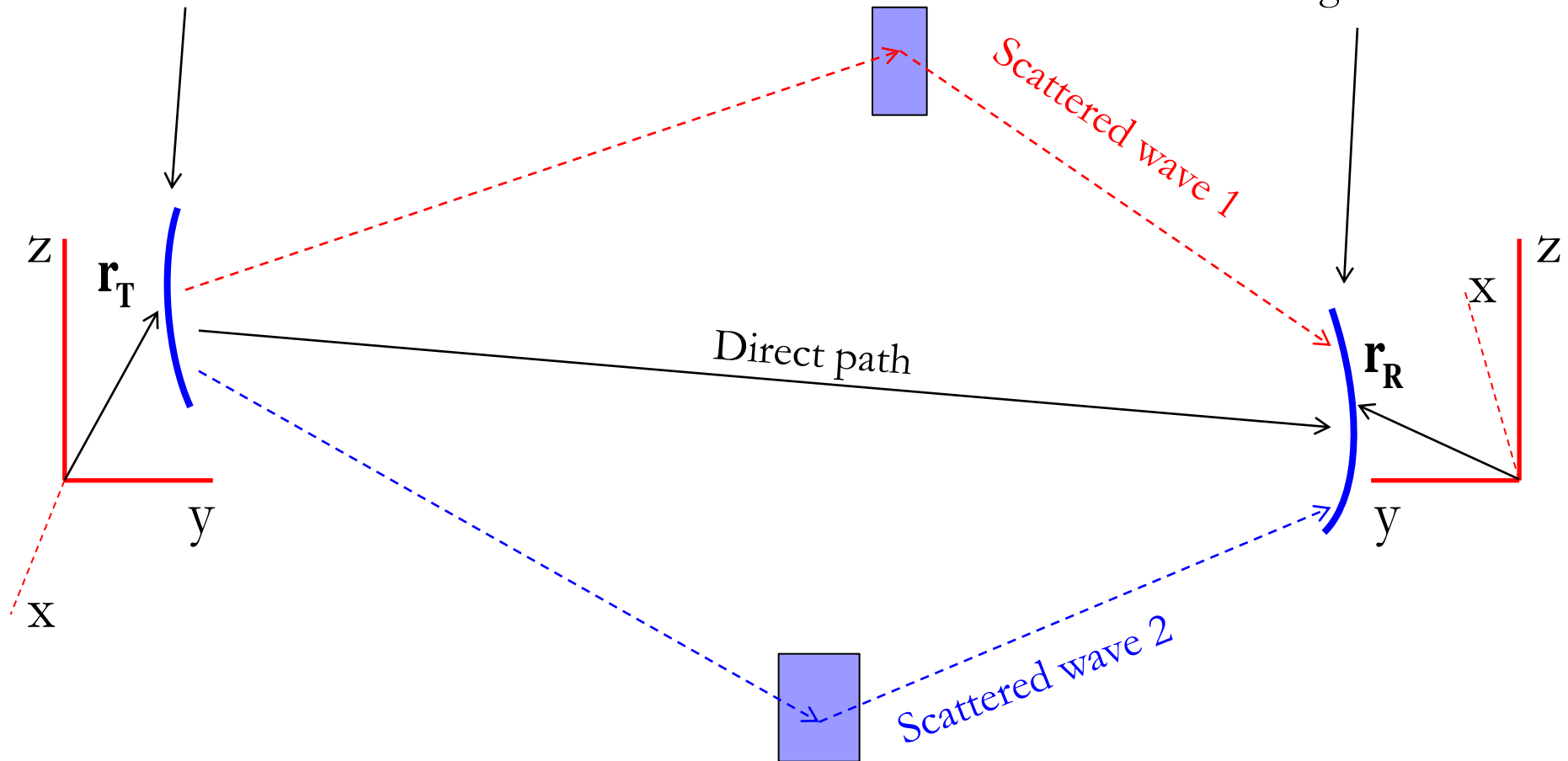


- ✓ Propagation through confined structures, e.g., street canyons, tunnels, corridors

Multipath Propagation

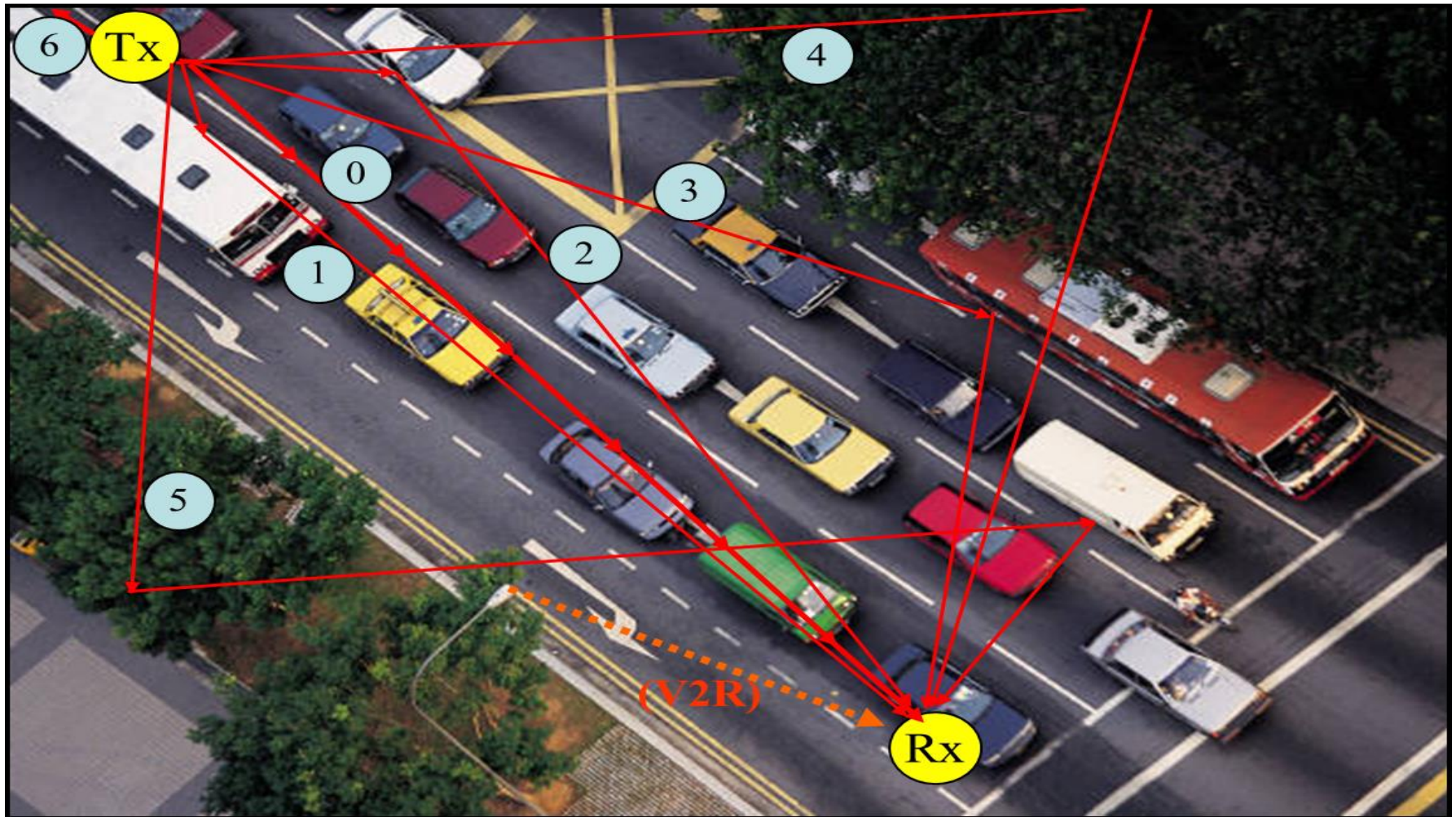
Transmitting antenna

Receiving antenna



Multipath Propagation

Vehicle-to-Vehicle (V2V) Communication Scenario



P. Karadimas and D. Matolak, "Generic Stochastic Modeling of Vehicle-to-Vehicle Wireless Channels," Elsevier Vehicular Communications vol. 1, no. 4, pp. 153-167, Oct. 2014.

Path Loss, Shadowing, Multipath

➤ Path loss

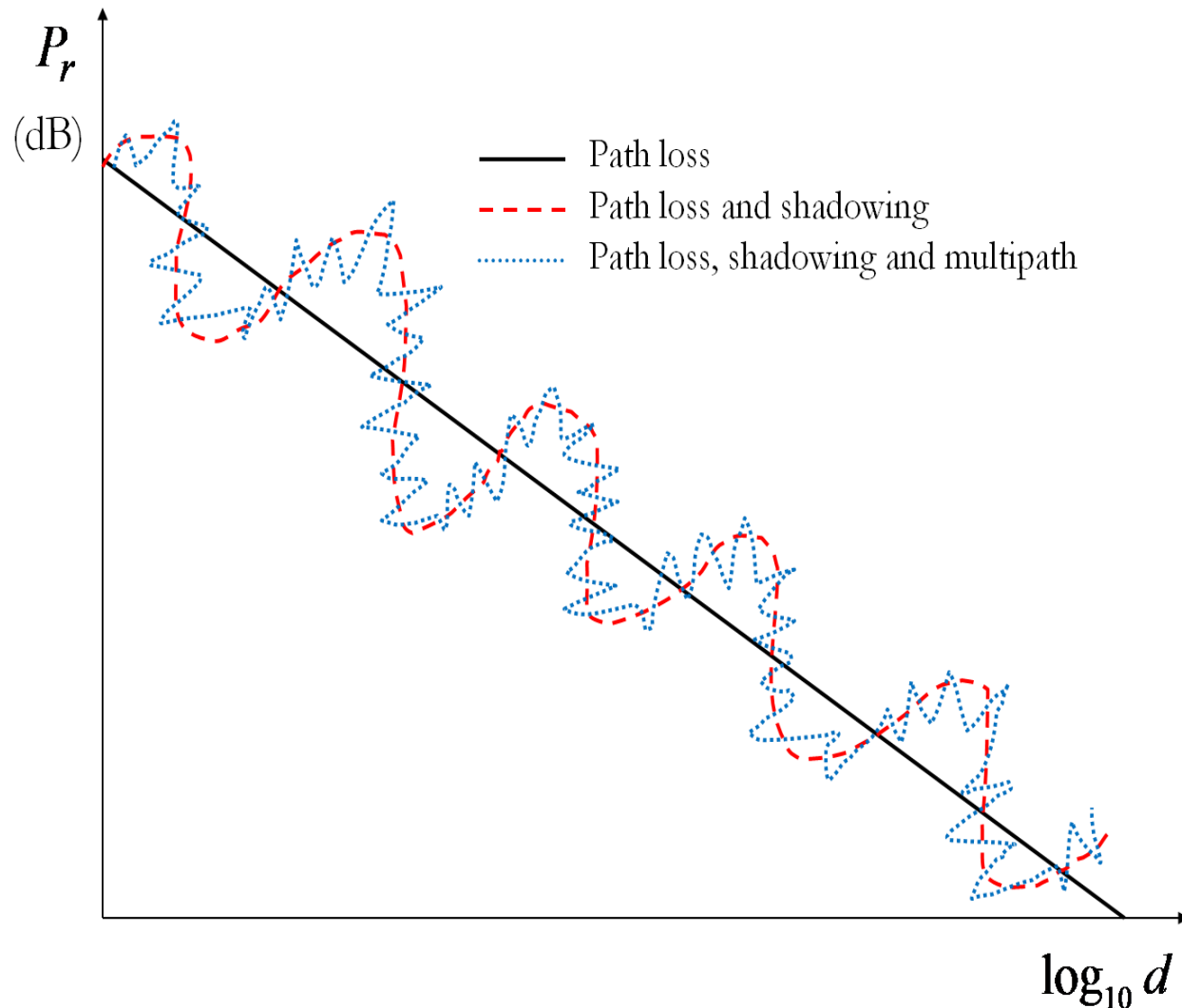
✓ Power decay due to transmission distance.

➤ Shadowing

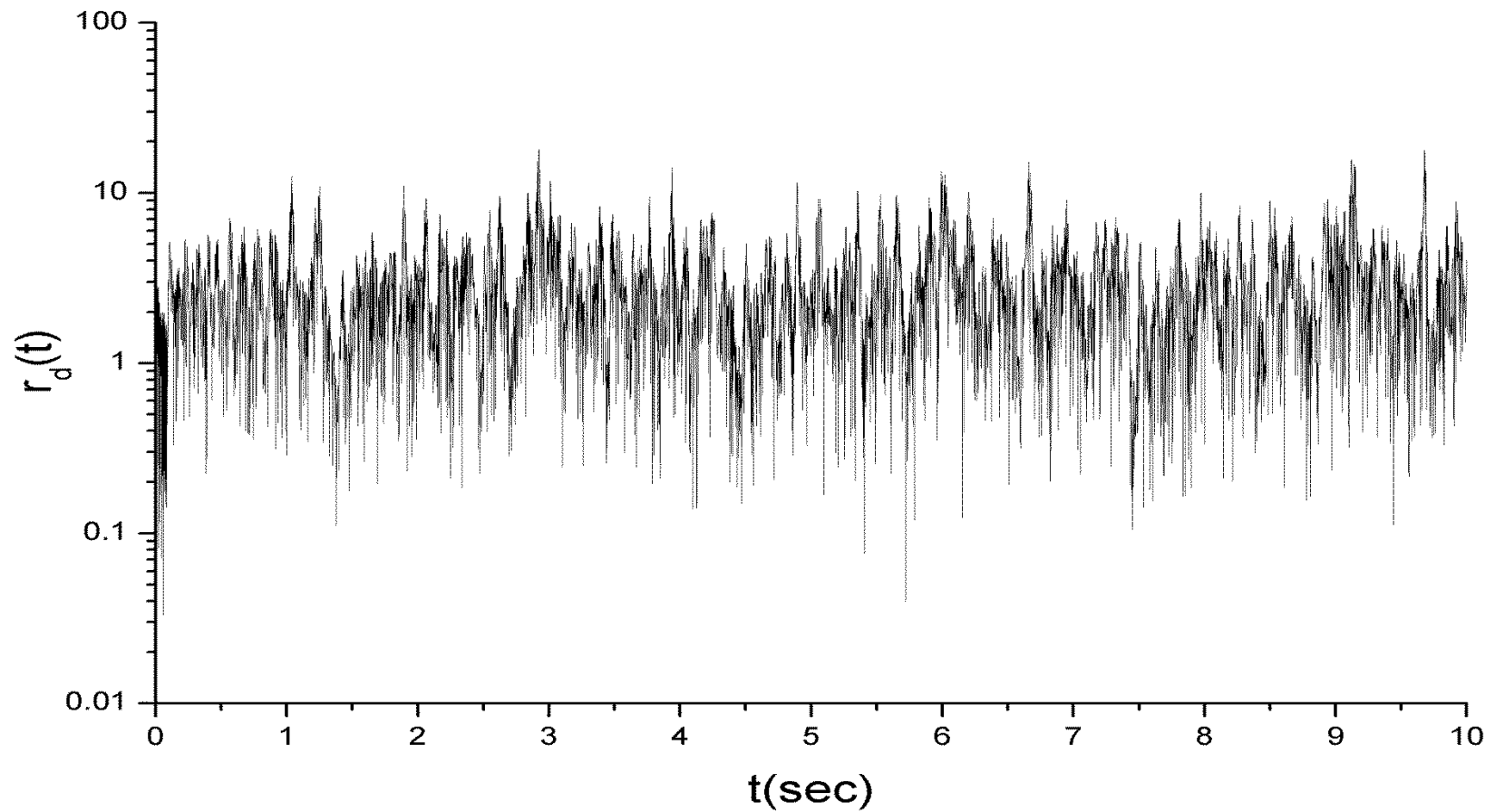
✓ Power loss and large scale space-time variations due to obstruction by large objects.

➤ Multipath propagation

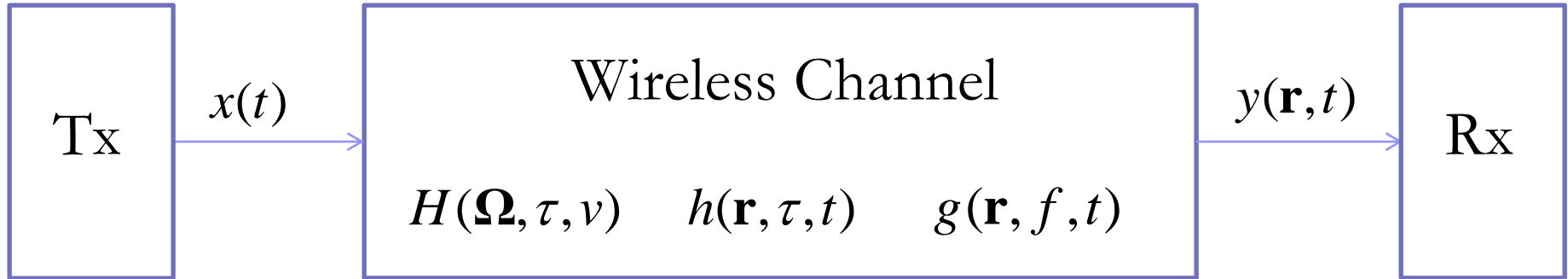
✓ Small scale space-time variations due to multipath components arrival and their interaction.



Baseband Received Fading Signal



Wireless Channel Responses



$$H(\mathbf{\Omega}, \tau, \nu) \xrightarrow{F_\nu^{-1} F_\Omega^{-1}} h(\mathbf{r}, \tau, t) \quad h(\mathbf{r}, \tau, t) \xrightarrow{F_\tau} g(\mathbf{r}, f, t)$$

$$H(\mathbf{\Omega}, \tau, \nu) \xrightarrow{F_\nu^{-1} F_\Omega^{-1} F_\tau} g(\mathbf{r}, f, t)$$

$H(\mathbf{\Omega}, \tau, \nu)$: directional-delay-Doppler variant channel response

$h(\mathbf{r}, \tau, t)$: space-delay-time variant channel response

$g(\mathbf{r}, f, t)$: space-frequency-time variant channel response

T_x – R_x Baseband Signal Relationships

$$y(\mathbf{r}, t) = \iiint \exp[j2\pi(\mathbf{\Omega} \cdot \mathbf{r}) / \lambda_0] \exp(j2\pi\nu t) x(t - \tau) H(\mathbf{\Omega}, \tau, \nu) d\mathbf{\Omega} d\tau d\nu \quad (1)$$

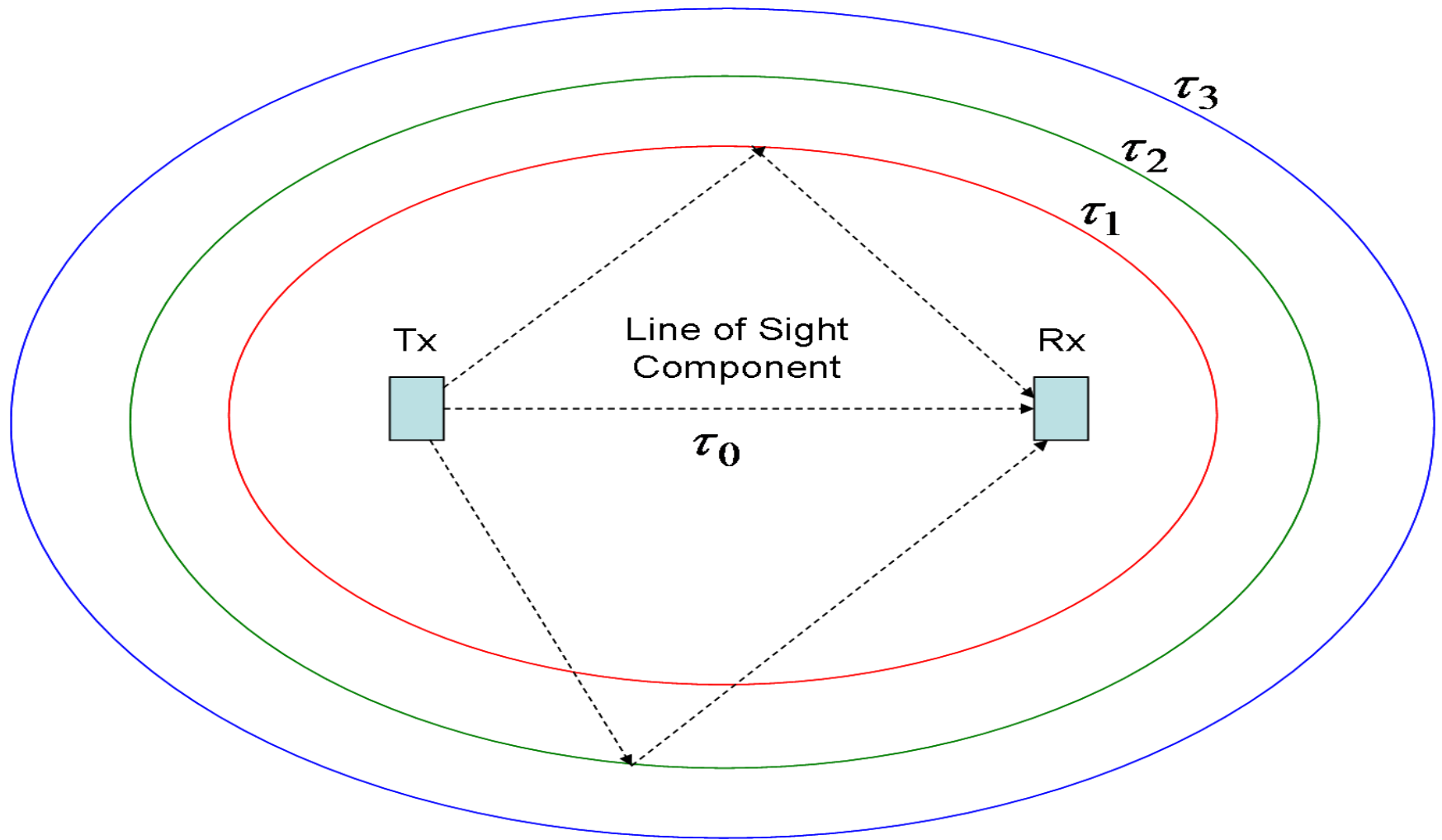
$$y(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int h(\mathbf{r}, \tau, t) x(t - \tau) d\tau \quad (2)$$

$$y(\mathbf{r}, t) = \int g(\mathbf{r}, f, t) X(f) \exp(j2\pi ft) df \quad (3) \quad x(t) \xleftrightarrow{F_t} X(f)$$

$$g(\mathbf{r}, f, t) = \sum_{l=1}^L a_l \exp[j2\pi(\mathbf{\Omega}_l \cdot \mathbf{r}) / \lambda_0] \exp(j2\pi\nu_l t) \exp(-j2\pi f \tau_l) \quad (4)$$

L : number of multipath components, λ_0 : carrier wavelength

Frequency Selective (Wideband) Modeling



J. D Parsons and A. S. Bajwa, "Wideband Characterization of Fading Mobile Radio Channels,"
IEE Proc. vol. 129, no. 2, pp. 95-101, Apr. 1982.

Narrowband Modeling

$$x(t - \tau_l) \approx x(t) \Leftrightarrow \tau_l \approx 0 \quad (5)$$

$$g(\mathbf{r}, f, t) = g(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_{l=1}^L a_l \exp[j2\pi(\boldsymbol{\Omega}_l \cdot \mathbf{r}) / \lambda_0] \exp(j2\pi\nu_l t) \quad (6)$$

$$y(\mathbf{r}, t) = g(\mathbf{r}, t)x(t) \quad (7)$$

First – Order Statistical Modeling

$$(6): g(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_{l=1}^L |a_l| \exp(j\Phi_l) = A \exp(j\Phi) \quad (7)$$

➤ First – Order Statistical Modeling

Probabilistic characterization of the amplitude A , i.e., the received signal envelope, and phase Φ in (7).

✓ Modeling should comply with the physical characteristics of the wireless propagation channel, e.g., Rayleigh distribution for A in the case of purely diffusive multipath propagation, Rice distribution in the case of a strong specular/LOS component added to purely diffusive multipath propagation.

Second – Order Statistical Modeling

$$g(\mathbf{r}, t) = \sum_{l=1}^L a_l \exp[j2\pi(\boldsymbol{\Omega}_l \cdot \mathbf{r}) / \lambda_0] \exp(j2\pi\nu_l t) \quad (6)$$

$$R(\Delta\mathbf{r}, \Delta t) = E[g^*(\mathbf{r}, t)g(\mathbf{r} + \Delta\mathbf{r}, t + \Delta t)] \quad (8)$$

➤ Second – Order Statistical Modeling

Mathematical expansion of the expectation formula in (8) and further processing to characterize the space and time variability of the wireless propagation channel.

✓ Mathematical analysis should rely on the physical spatial characteristics of the wireless propagation channel, i.e., how multipath power is distributed in the three-dimensional space surrounding the Tx or the Rx.

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✓ Cryptographic Key Generation**

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Antenna Array Design – Methodology

Multipath Propagation Spatial Modeling

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graph TD; A[Multipath Propagation Spatial Modeling] --> B[Novel Closed Form Solutions for the Spatial Correlation between Array Elements]; A --> C[Antenna Array Dimensioning and Space Occupancy Informed by Novel Spatial Degrees of Freedom Formulations]; B --> D[Channel Capacity Maximization Algorithm]; C --> D; D --> E[Optimum Array Element Positioning]
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Novel Closed Form Solutions
for the Spatial Correlation
between Array Elements

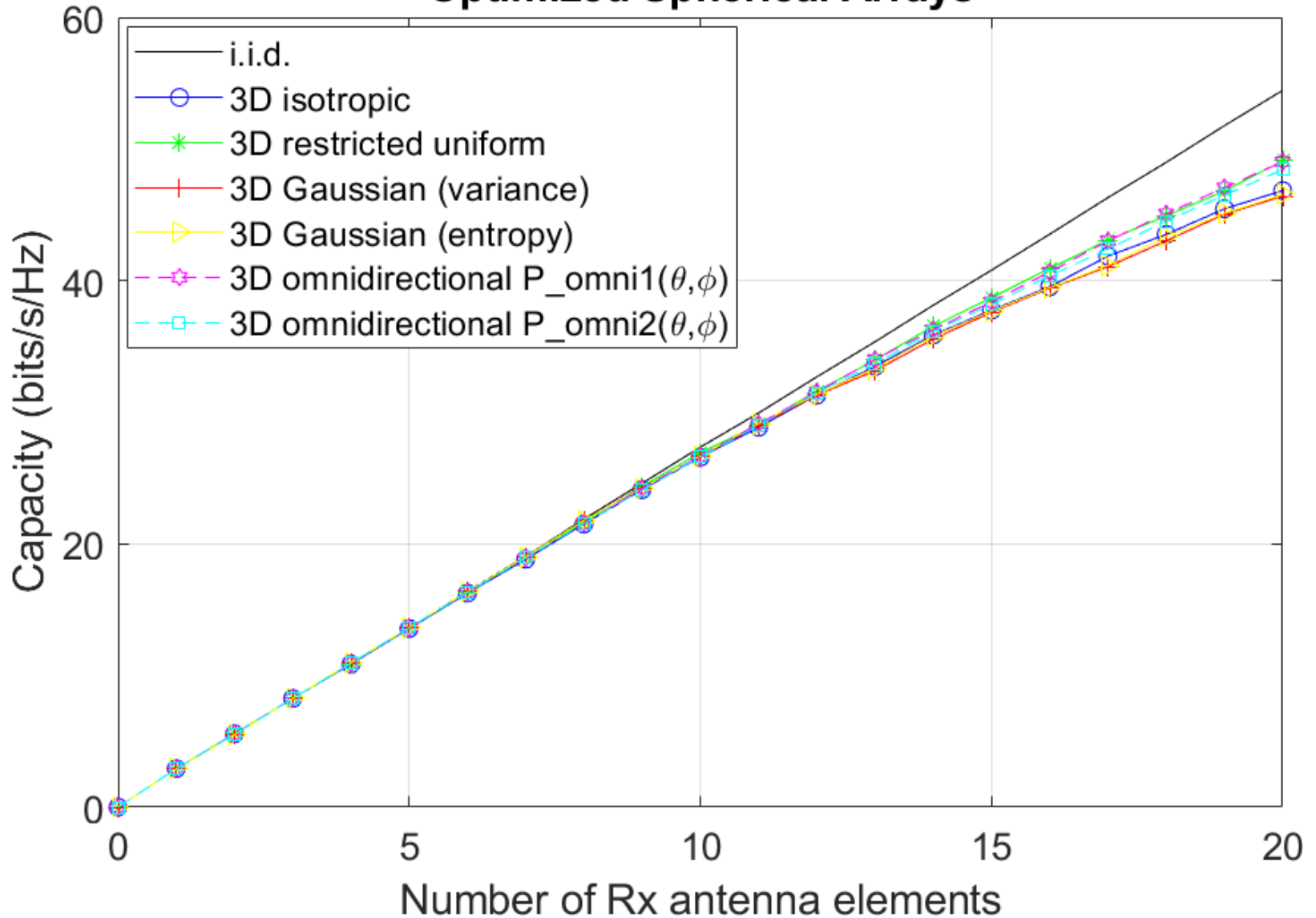
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Channel Capacity Maximization Algorithm

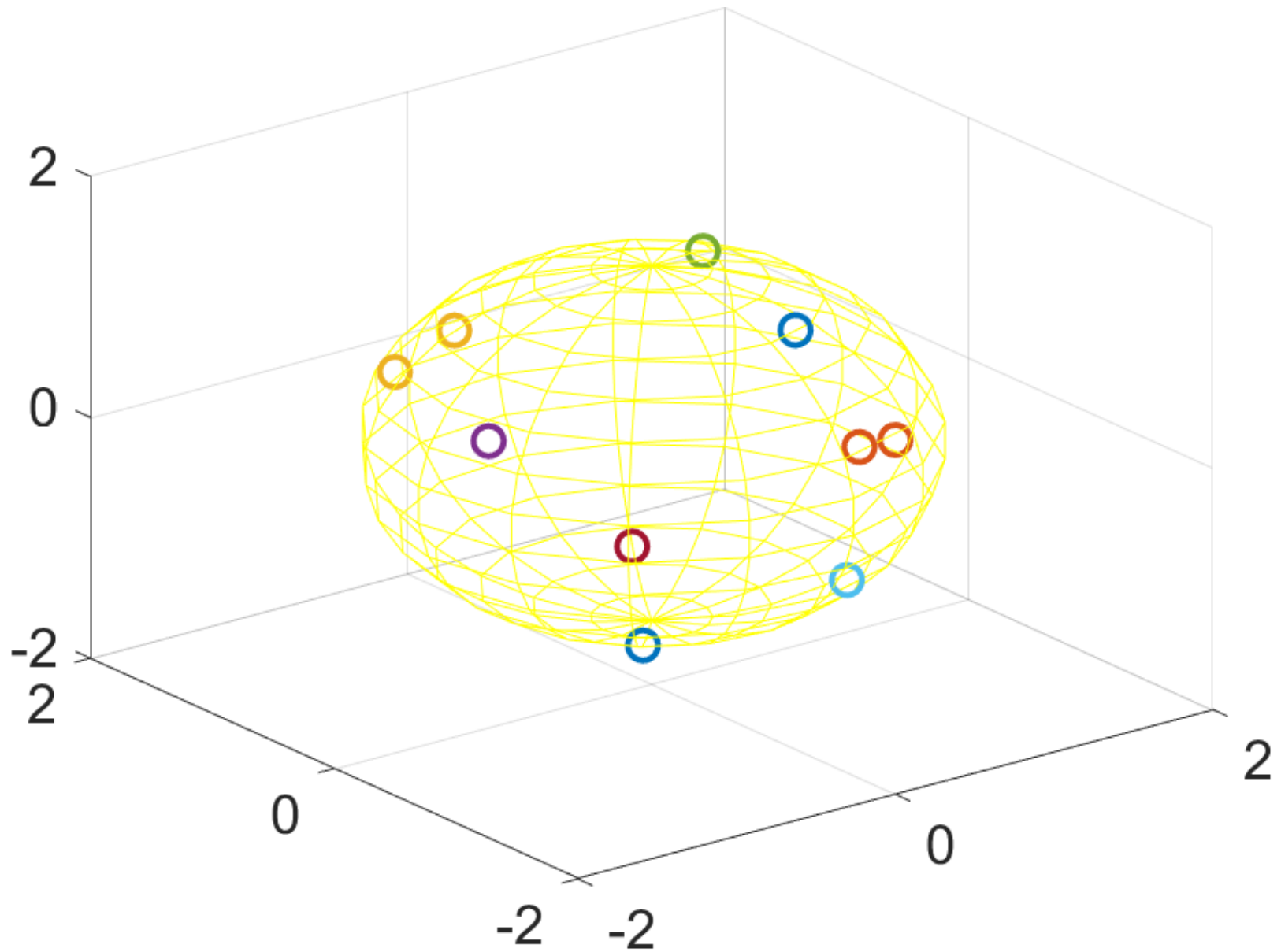
Optimum Array Element Positioning

Maximized Channel Capacities

Optimized Spherical Arrays



An Optimum Spherical Antenna Array



Cryptographic Key Generation – Methodology

Vehicle-to-Vehicle Multipath Propagation Modeling

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Cumulative Distribution Function, Average Fade Duration

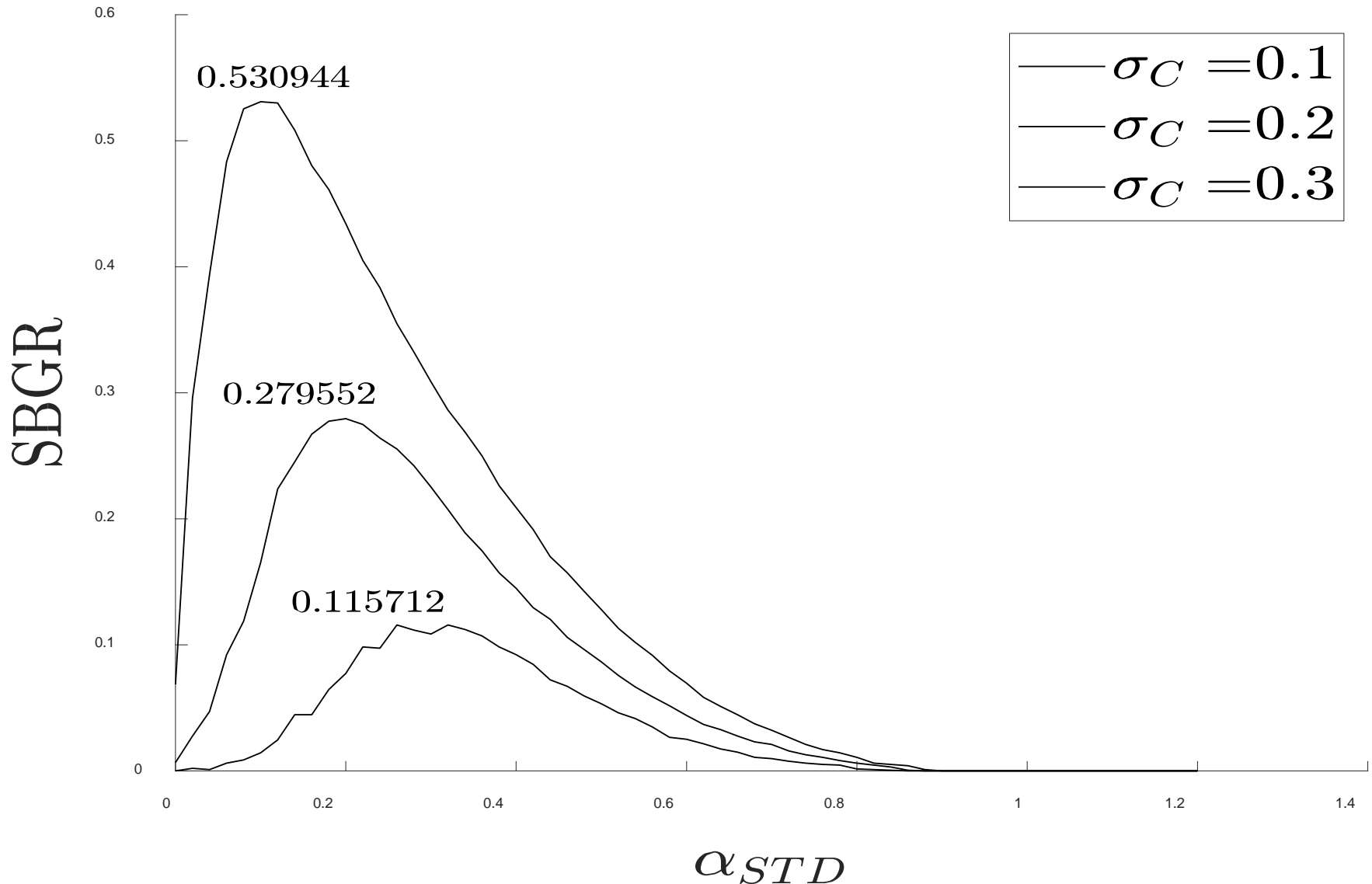
Simulated Received Signal Envelopes at both Vehicles

Novel Optimized Received Signal Quantization Formulations Informed by First – and Second – Order Statistics

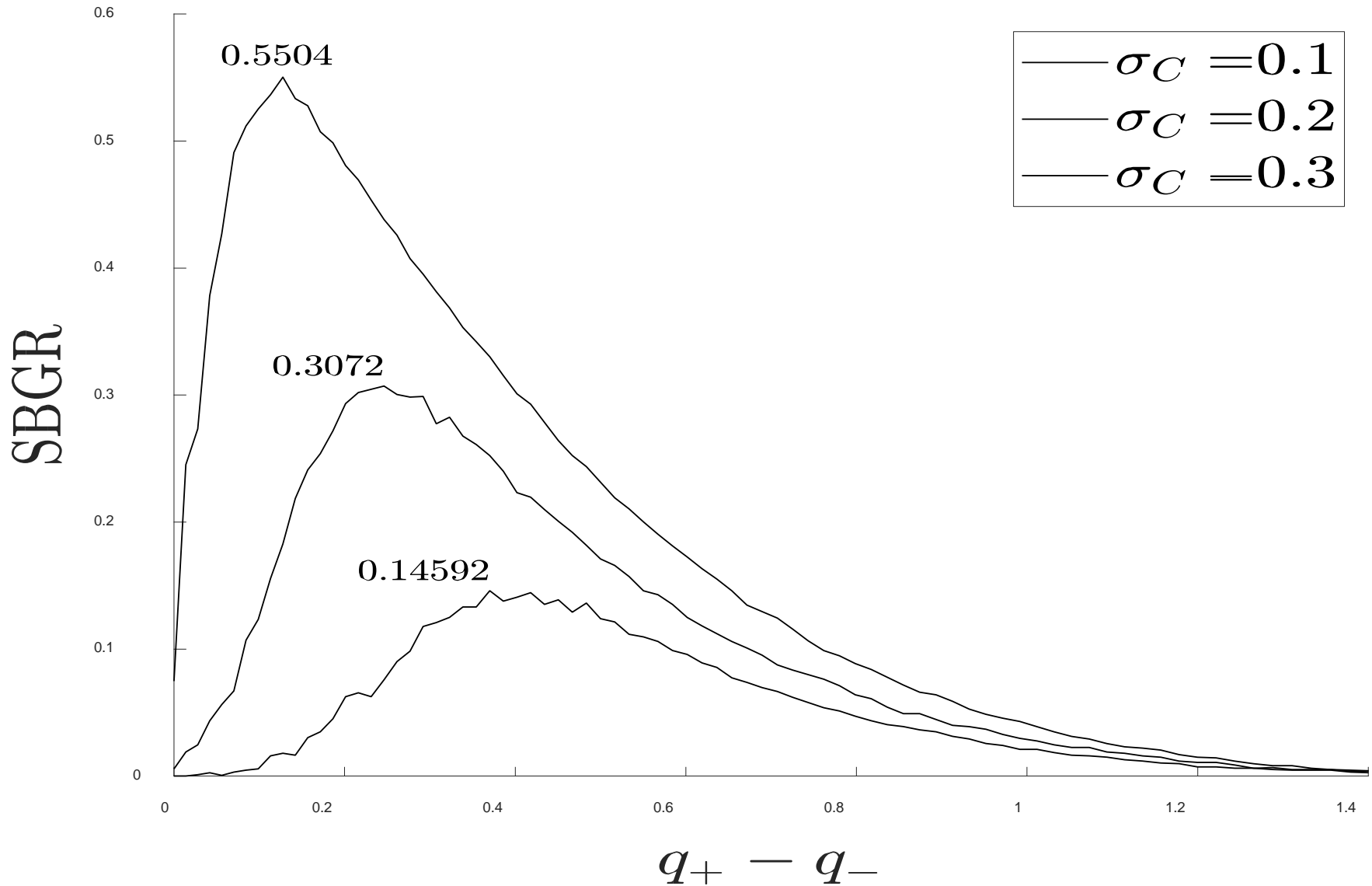
Information Reconciliation

Symmetric Cryptographic Key at both Vehicles

Secret Bit Generation Rate – No Optimization



Optimized Secret Bit Generation Rate





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