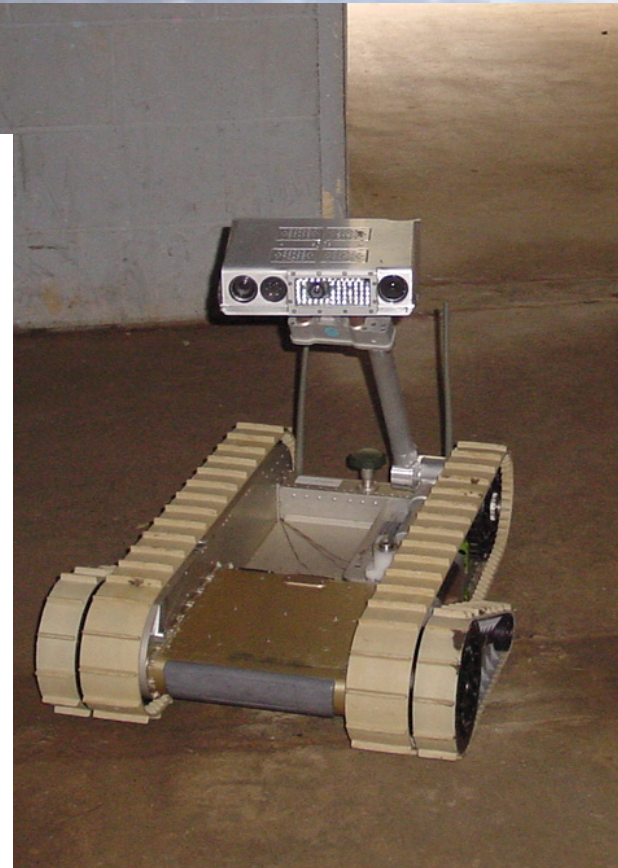
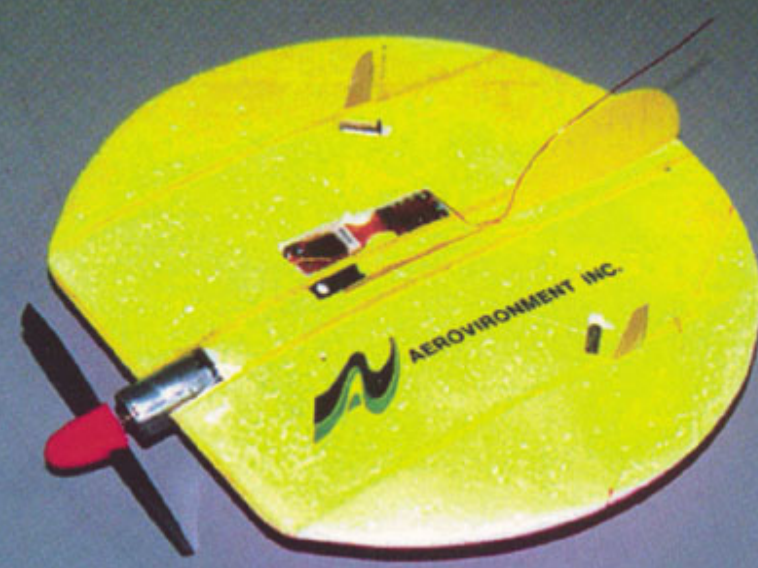


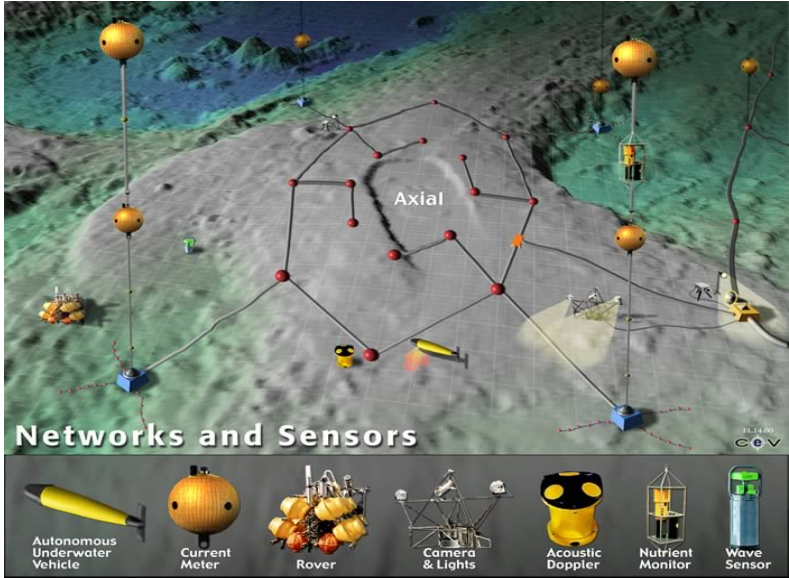


# Networked Signal Processing

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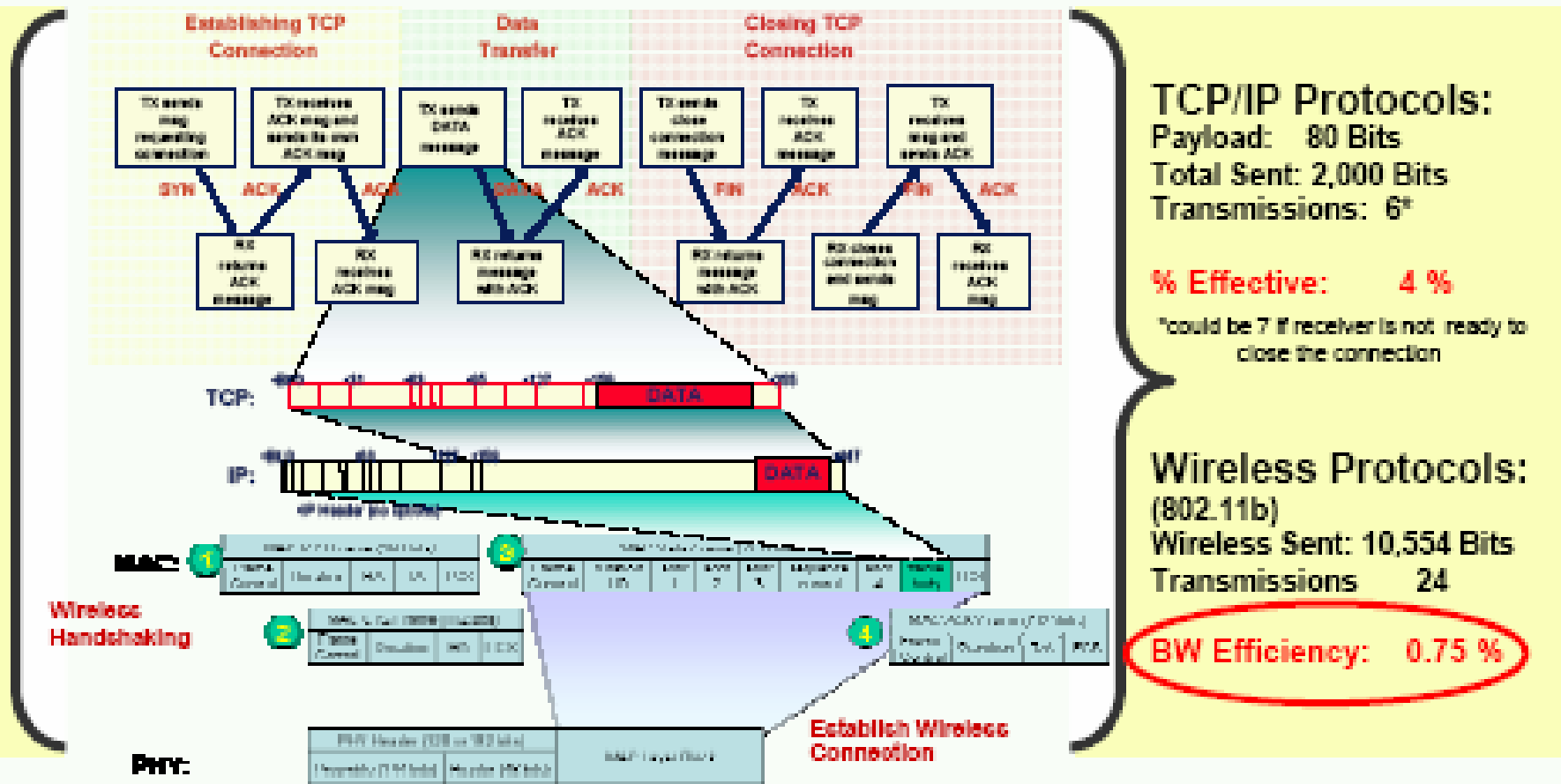
# Sensor Networks are not MANET'S

- **Limited energy and large networks:**
  - Duty cycling → synchronization & self-localization issues
  - Limited data to send → metrics must be tied to application
  - Novel protocol stack decompositions; impacts hardware
  - Scalable energy-efficient protocols
- **Application dictates metrics → architecture & protocols**
  - distributed detection, estimation, tracking, monitoring, .... ?
  - MAC and routing impact estimation & detection accuracy and design of local sensors
  - Short hops or long hops ?
  - Fundamental interplay of MAC, Routing, and Application
- **Wireless is Broadcast → cross-layer design inevitable**

**Scaling Issues and Energy Constraints are critical.  
Cannot graft 'wired approaches' onto wireless medium**

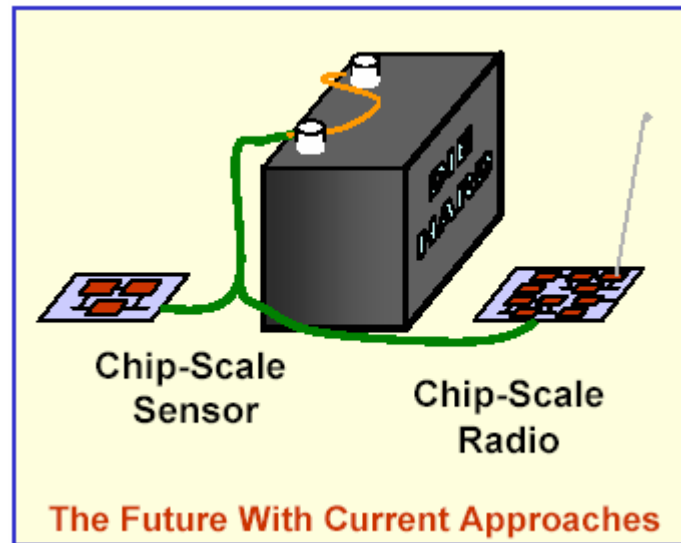
## EXAMPLE #1 (Cont'd): TCP/IP/RTS-CTS – Transfer Inefficiencies, Excessive Overhead, Single 80-bit Payload

CB-MANET:  
Chris Ramming



It is possible that we need to completely rethink wireless network protocols

# Low Duty-Cycled Sensor Network Demands Different Kind of Radio



DARPA CN:  
Preston Marshall

- ✓ DARPA chip-scale atomic clock
  - 30 mW: 100 hrs with 1 AA battery
- ✓ Energy consumed in “staying awake”
- ✗ Moore’s “law” does not extend to Shannon / Maxwell
- Energy harvesting ?
- Cross-layer design critical for energy savings

# ARL Blue Radio

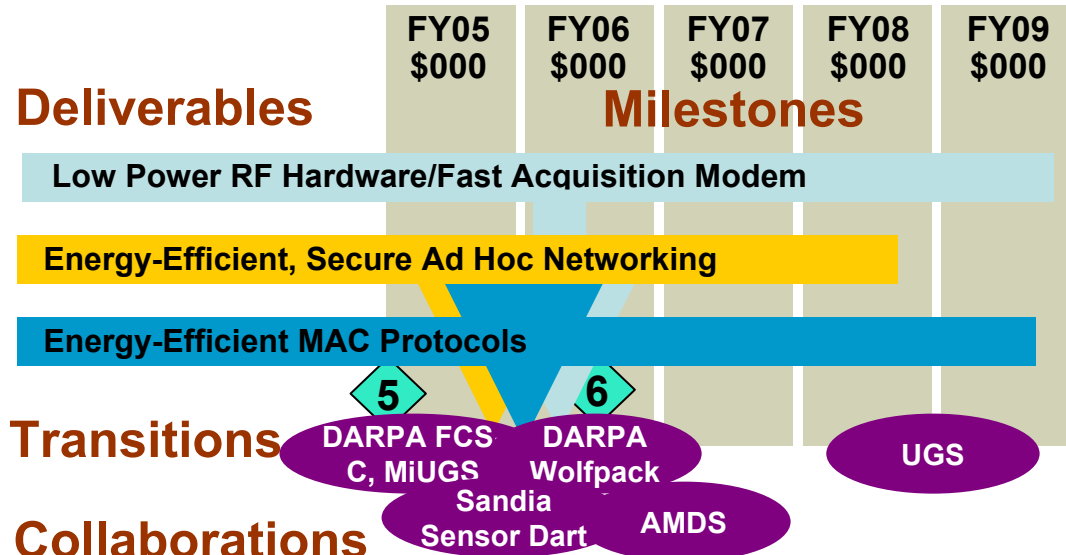
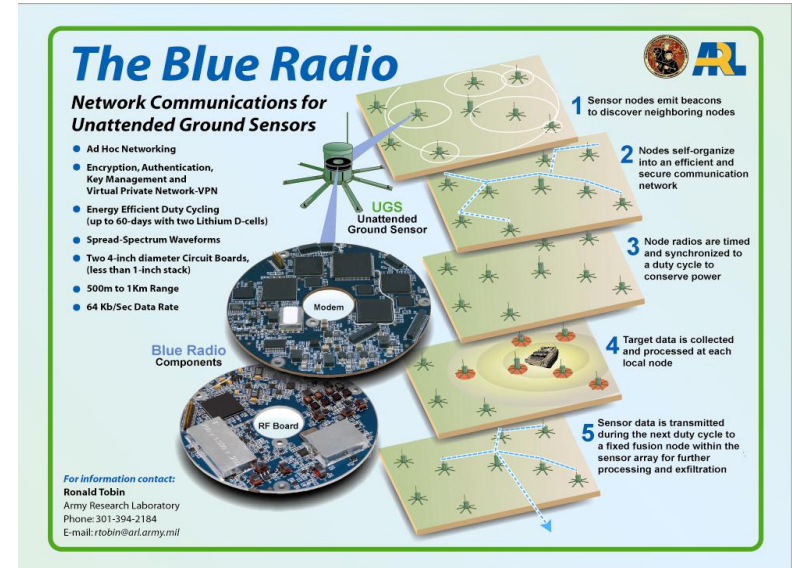
*Survivable energy-efficient communications for distributed, unattended sensor nodes.*

## Challenges / Problem

- Extreme bandwidth, power, energy, and computational constraints
- Severe near-earth propagation effects ( $1/R^4$  versus  $1/R^2$ )
- Self-organization under a variety of delivery mechanisms
- Jam-resistant, LPI/LPD operation
- Low cost

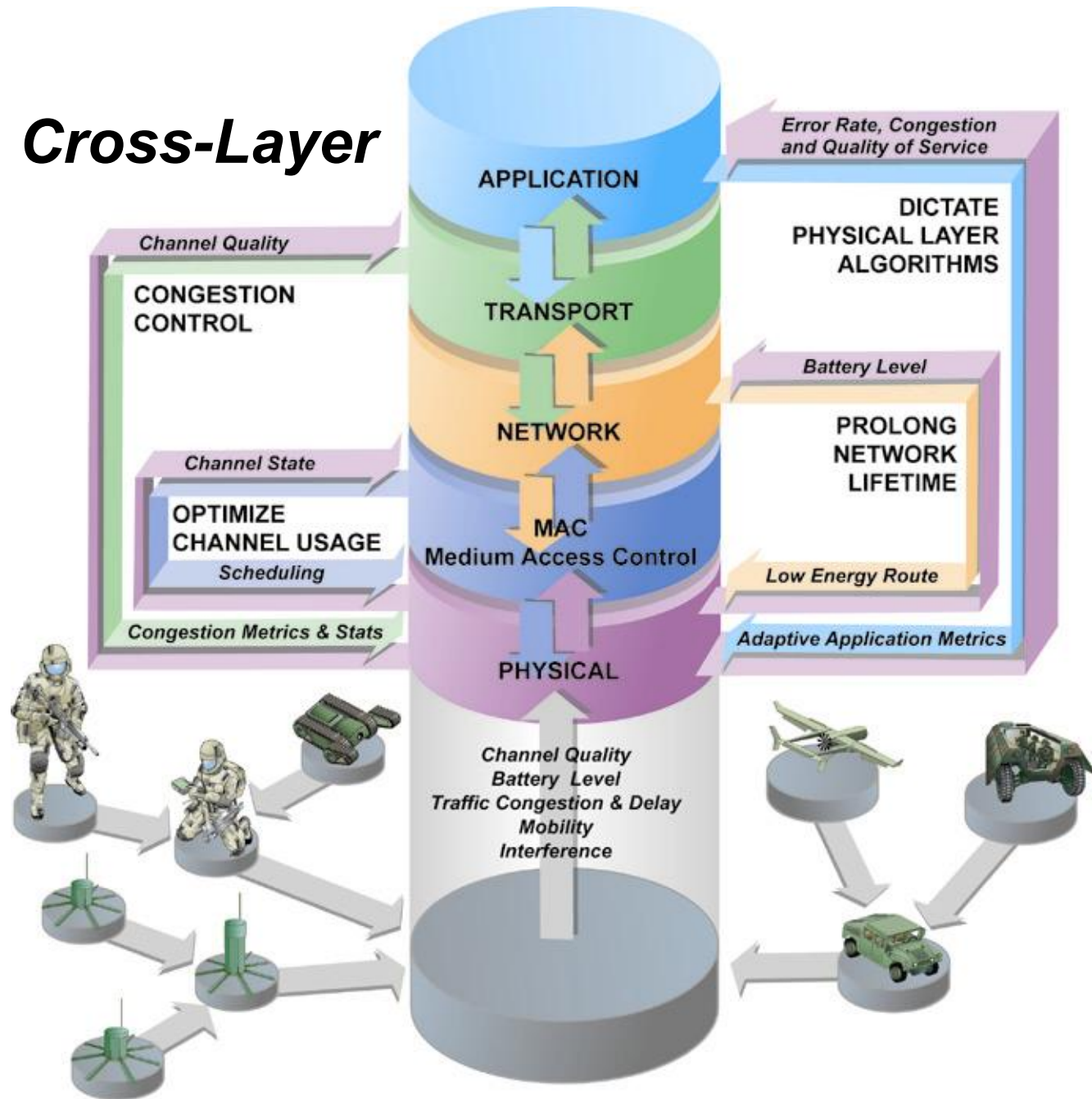
## Approach

- Duty cycling to conserve energy
- Robust, high PG waveforms that are fast-acquisition to allow duty cycling
- Low overhead, reactive ad hoc routing
- Energy-efficient MAC including duty cycling, power control, and multi-user detection
- Leveraging commercial wireless radio components (A/D, DSP, etc)



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# Cross-Layer



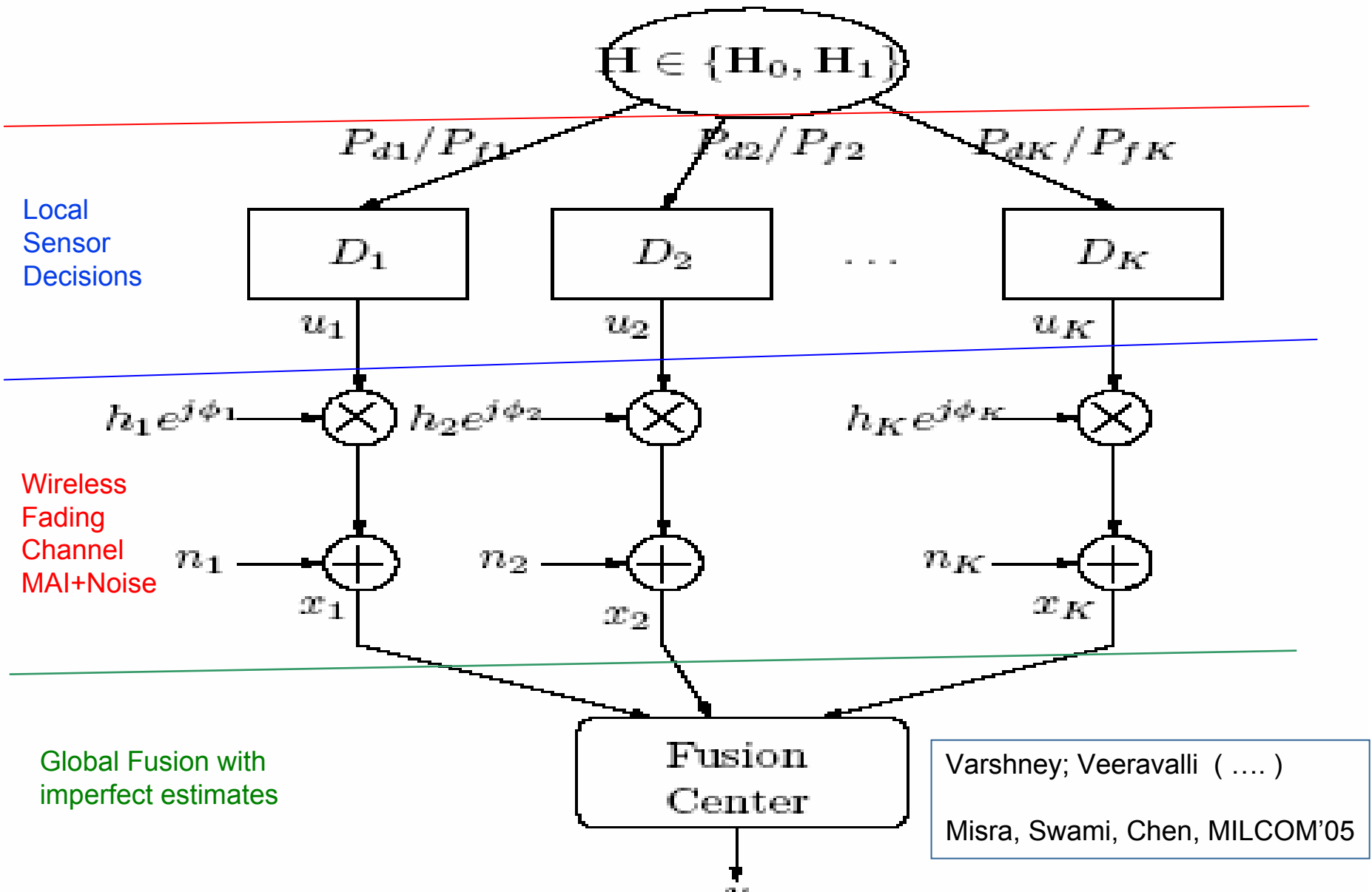
# SP for Networking

- **Channel State Information**
  - Power control (Knopp-Humblett ICC'95)
  - Opportunistic MAC (Cheng'96, Tse-Hanly'98, Qiu-Berry'03, Zhao-Tong'05)
  - Multi-channel reservation MAC (Maharshi-Tong-Swami'03)
  - Channel-aware routing (Dube'97, Souryal'05, Lin '05).
- **Residual Energy Information**
  - Sensor placement (Cheng &'04, Ganesan &'04, Chen &'05)
  - Routing (Chang &'00, Shankar &'04, Kannan &'04, Srinivasan &'04)
  - Network lifetime (Chen &'05, Bhardwaj &'02, .....)
- **Sensor sync and localization**
  - Duty cycling, scheduling, routing
- **Traffic estimation & change detection** (He &'05)
- **Network energy profile & density monitoring** (Leshem &'05)

# Networking for Signal Processing

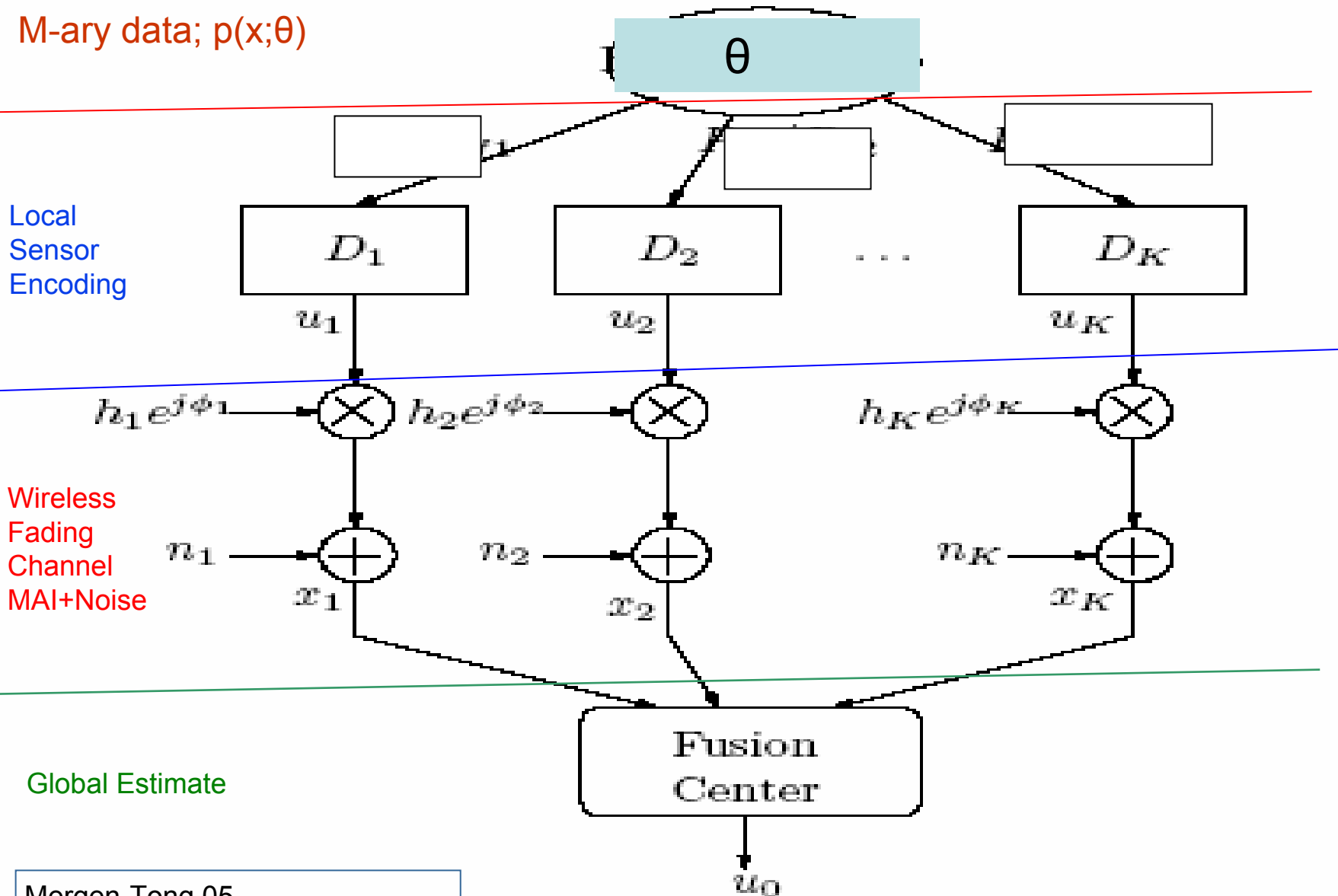
- Protocol design for detection, estimation & tracking
  - Data-centric MAC (Liu &'04, Mergen &'04)
  - Energy & data-aware routing (Sung &'05)
  - Distributed detection (Sung-Tong-Swami'05)
- Reconstruction of correlated fields
  - Distributed source compression (Pradhan'02, Xiong'04)
  - Aggregation (Esterin & '00, '02)
  - Sampling (Dong &'04, Iyer &'03)

# Parallel Fusion Model

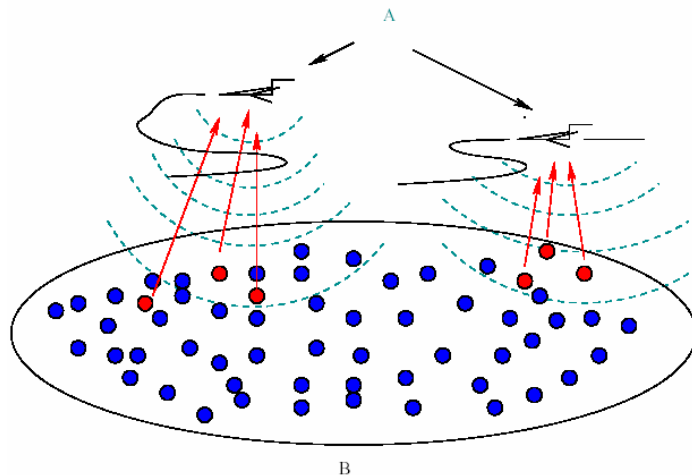


# Parameter Estimation

M-ary data;  $p(x;\theta)$



# (Distributed) Detection over the Network



- ✓ Optimal fusion rule?
- ✓ Optimal local threshold?
- (APP-MAC-PHY interaction)

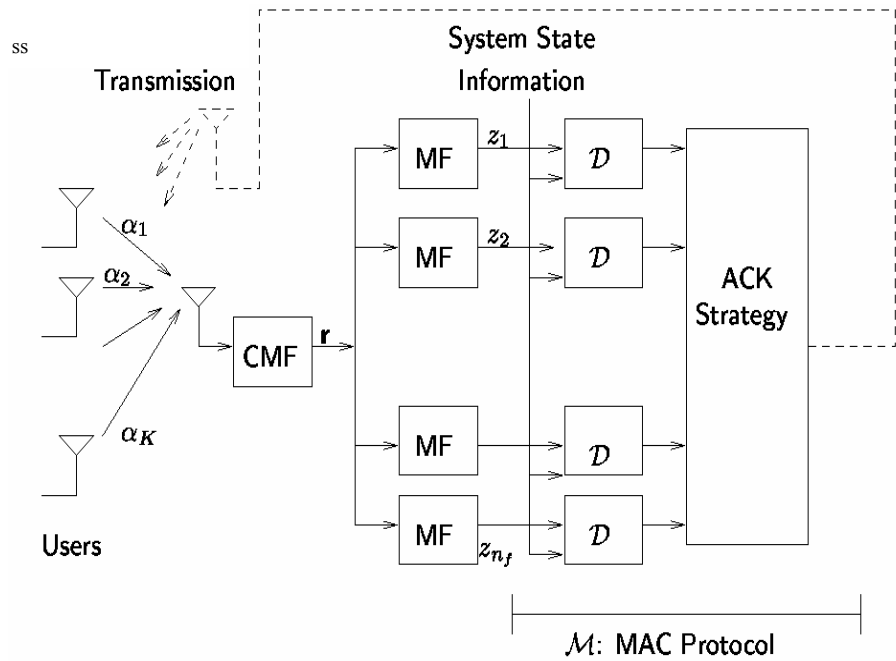
## Approach:

- $Y_i = W_i + \theta s(X_i) : W \text{ iid}$
- *Binary identical* sensors
- *Randomly* distributed sensors
- *Marked thinned IPP*
- *Local* problem:  $\theta \sim 0$
- *Asymptotic*: Many sensors
- Derived optimal fusion rule
- Derived optimal local threshold
- Random access channel

Sung, Tong, Swami: IEEE-TSP 2005

**Network Impacts Design of Local Sensor (application)**

# Optimal Detection for the MAC



Sensors select random codes  
Unknown fades

$N = \#$  orthogonal codes  
 $f = \#$  free codes  
 $L =$  packet length  
 $\lambda =$  arrival rate

MF output is a sufficient statistic:  $\sim \text{CN}(0, K_i \sigma^2 + \sigma_v^2)$   $K$  is unknown.

Traffic: Poisson w aggregate rate  $\lambda \rightarrow K$  is Poisson ( $\lambda / f$ )

**PHY-MAC problem:**  $K = 1$  ? (RTS-CTS)  $K=0$  ? (CSMA)

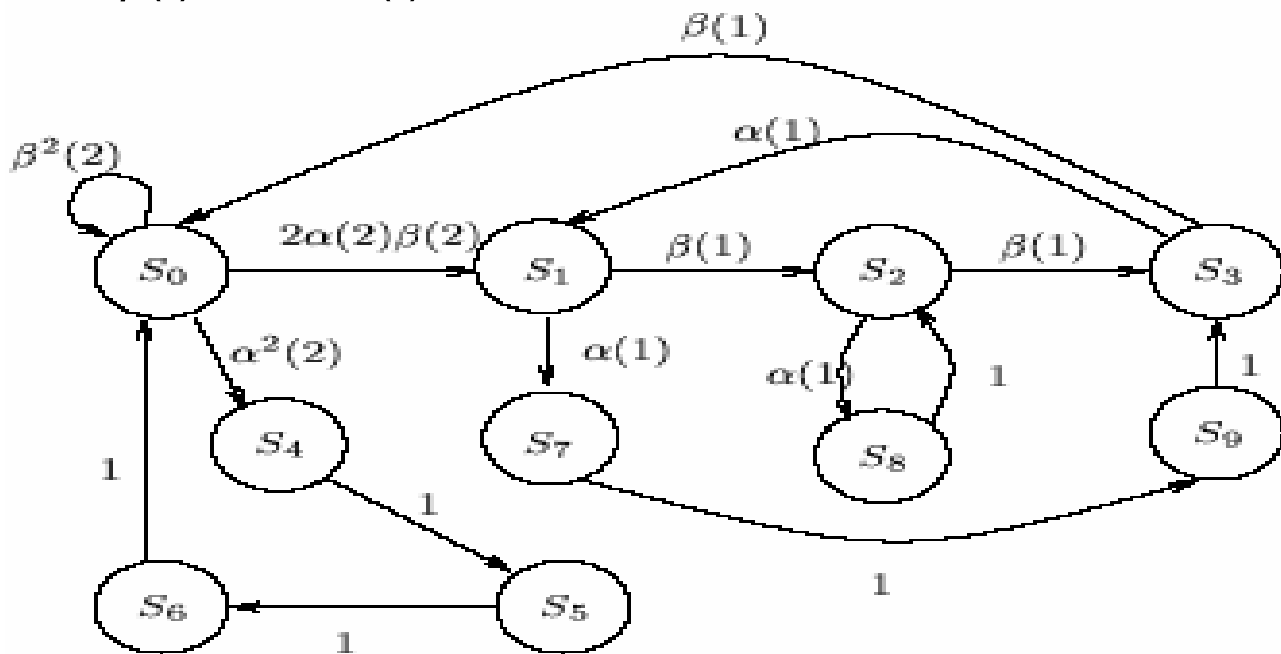
**Metric ?**

Two Approaches: Optimal detection + optimal scheduling  
Joint optimization to maximize throughput

# Markov Chain for N=2, L=3

$\alpha(f)$  = Prob of ACK'ing a channel, given  $f$  free channels

$$\beta(f) = 1 - \alpha(f)$$



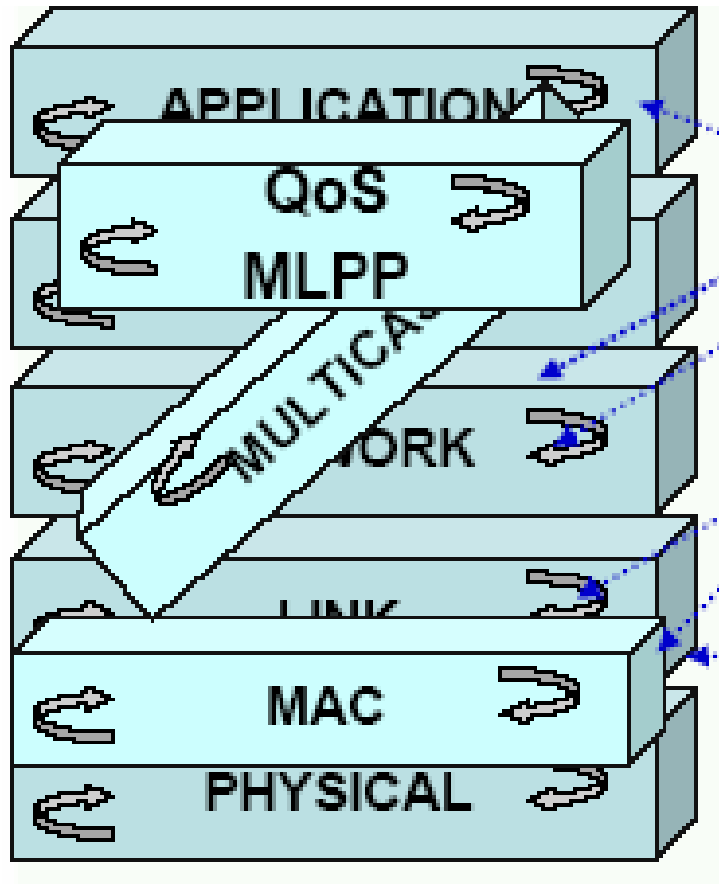
Symbol	State	$f_i$
$S_0$	[0 0 0]	2
$S_1$	[0 0 1]	1
$S_2$	[0 1 0]	1
$S_3$	[1 0 0]	1
$S_4$	[0 0 2]	0
$S_5$	[0 2 0]	0
$S_6$	[2 0 0]	0
$S_7$	[0 1 1]	0
$S_8$	[1 0 1]	0
$S_9$	[1 1 0]	0

- $\forall N, L$ , Markov chain is finite, aperiodic, irreducible  $\rightarrow$  Sty distro  $\pi_{\bar{g}}$  exists
- Throughput =  $f$  (threshold); threshold =  $f(\text{\#users, arrival rates, pkt length})$

• **CSMA case is more challenging!**

[dyspan, nov 2005]

# Caveats



Too many Knobs & Dials  
Too many interactions  
Configuration Complexity

- Unintended consequences (Kawadia-Kumar, 2005)
- Security may be compromised
- Application-specific CLD is natural.
- Energy constraint
- Clocks are important
- Only preliminary understanding of cross-layer interactions