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Potentials of directional antennas for (Indoor Positioning) Systems in dense multipath environments

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1 CV Oliver Michler, University Full Professor



Scientific and Professional Positions (since 1993)

1993 - 1997	Scientific Staff and PhD-Research of TU Dresden, Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering
1997 – 2000	Scientific Project manager at Video-Audio-Design GmbH as a Telekom-Partner
2000 – 2005	Scientific Staff at Fraunhofer Institute for Transportation and Infrastructure Systems Dresden (FhG-IVI)
2005 – 2008	Professor at University of Applied Sciences Dresden in Signal Processing and Electronic Measurement Techniques
2010 – 2017	Head of department of TUD-Researchgroup at FhG-IVI
2008 –	Full Professor at TU Dresden in Systems Information Technology, Faculty of Transportation and Traffic Sciences
2019 -	Director of TU Dresden of Institute of Traffic Telematics
2017 -	Scientific advisory board member of MRK AG, Metirionic and ISCons GmbH as a knowledge transfer research

Research topics

data-driven and model-based approaches, wireless mobility systems over all traffic carriers and services, autonomous driving, intelligent vehicle, next generation technologies based of communication/localization/sensing, software defined radio

1 TU Dresden (TUD) ⇒ Campus Overview

- The Technische Universität Dresden dates back to the Technische Bildungsanstalt Dresden, founded in 1828 and, thus, ranks among the oldest technical-academic educational establishments in Germany.
- The TU Dresden has about 35.000 students and almost 5.000 permanent employees (excepting the Faculty of Medicine), about 400 professors among them, and, thus, is the largest university in Saxony, today.
- TU Dresden now is a multi-discipline university, also offering humanities and social sciences as well as medicine. There are only few universities in Germany which are able to match this broad scientific spectrum.

- Germany
- Saxony
- Dresden / Capital of Saxony:
Dresden



1 University of Technology in Dresden (TUD) The “Friedrich List” Faculty of Transport and Traffic Sciences

A unique, interdisciplinary competence center for transportation sciences



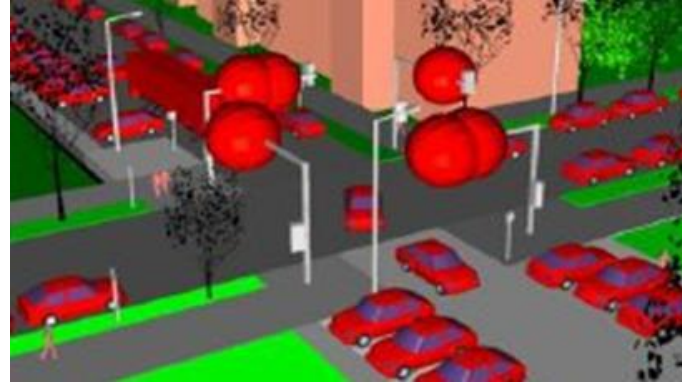
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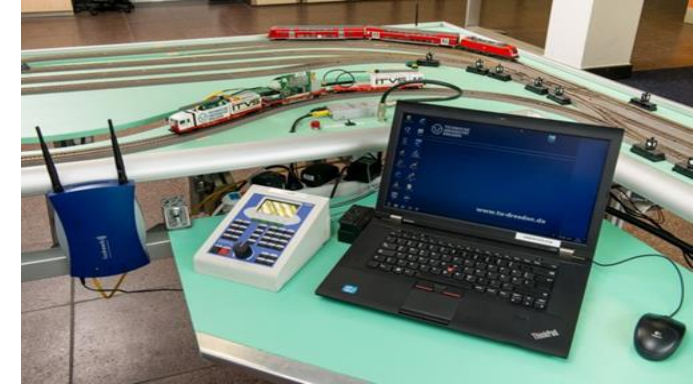
- **Laboratories Traffic Control, Process Automation and ITS**



Traffic Control Center



Car2X-Wireless Simulation



Automatic Train Driving



Driving Simulation (Tram)



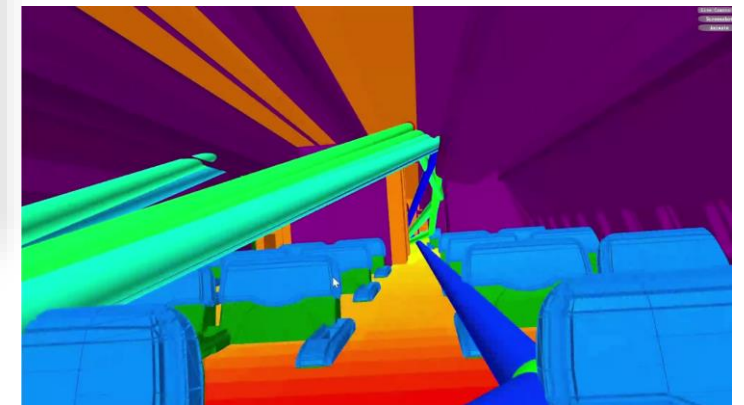
Test Cars



Automatic Car Driving

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- **Aviation lab / Airbus 320 Simulator**



Application / operation purpose

- Research fields: Trajectory Management and Safety Assessment
- Integration in teaching fields Cockpit Technologies and Navigation
- Training and performance / Aircraft wireless ICT Cabin

1 Traffic ICT and Research fields of Chair competence

- Overview:

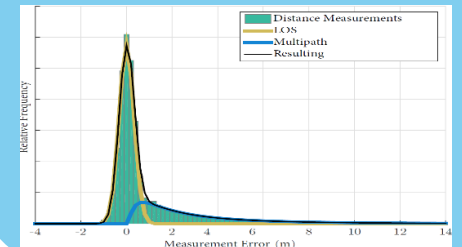
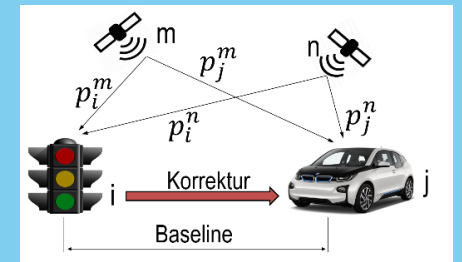
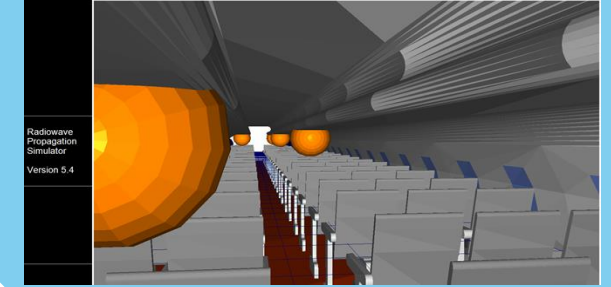
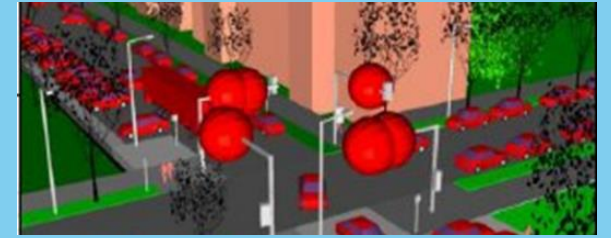


Simulation
Emulation
Radio planning

Networking
Localisation
Sensing

Lab Environment
Experimental -
Vehicles
Test fields

Big data
Statistics
Methodology
Procedures



1 Research focus: Traffic carrier cross-modal vehicle environment signals

Telematics and IT - Platforms (RF, LF, Software, Protocols, Interfaces, HMI)



Modelling, Parametrisation



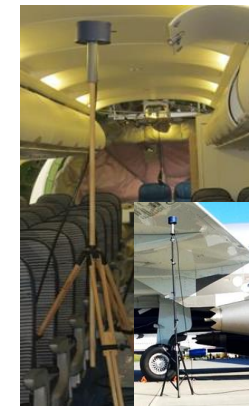
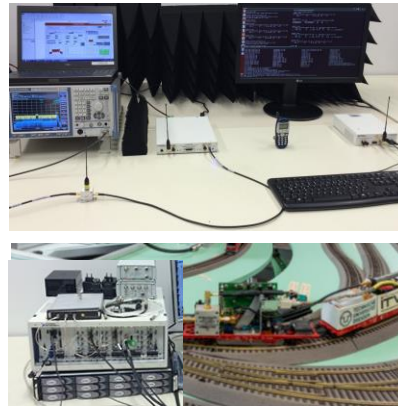
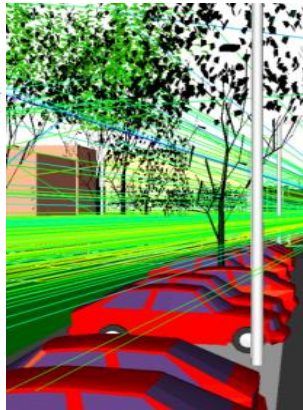
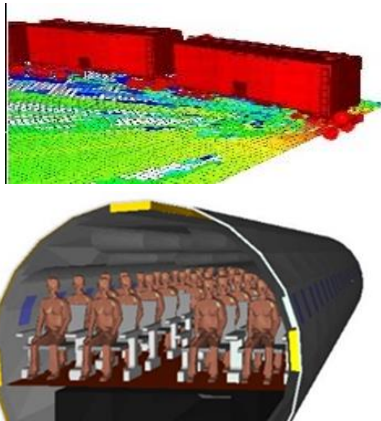
Error analysis, Integrity



**Radio channel simulation
(PC environment)**

**Signal environment generation
(Lab environment)**

**Record/Playback Field measurements
(Field-, long term tests)**



Automotive



Rail transport



Aviation / Aircraft cabin



Water transport

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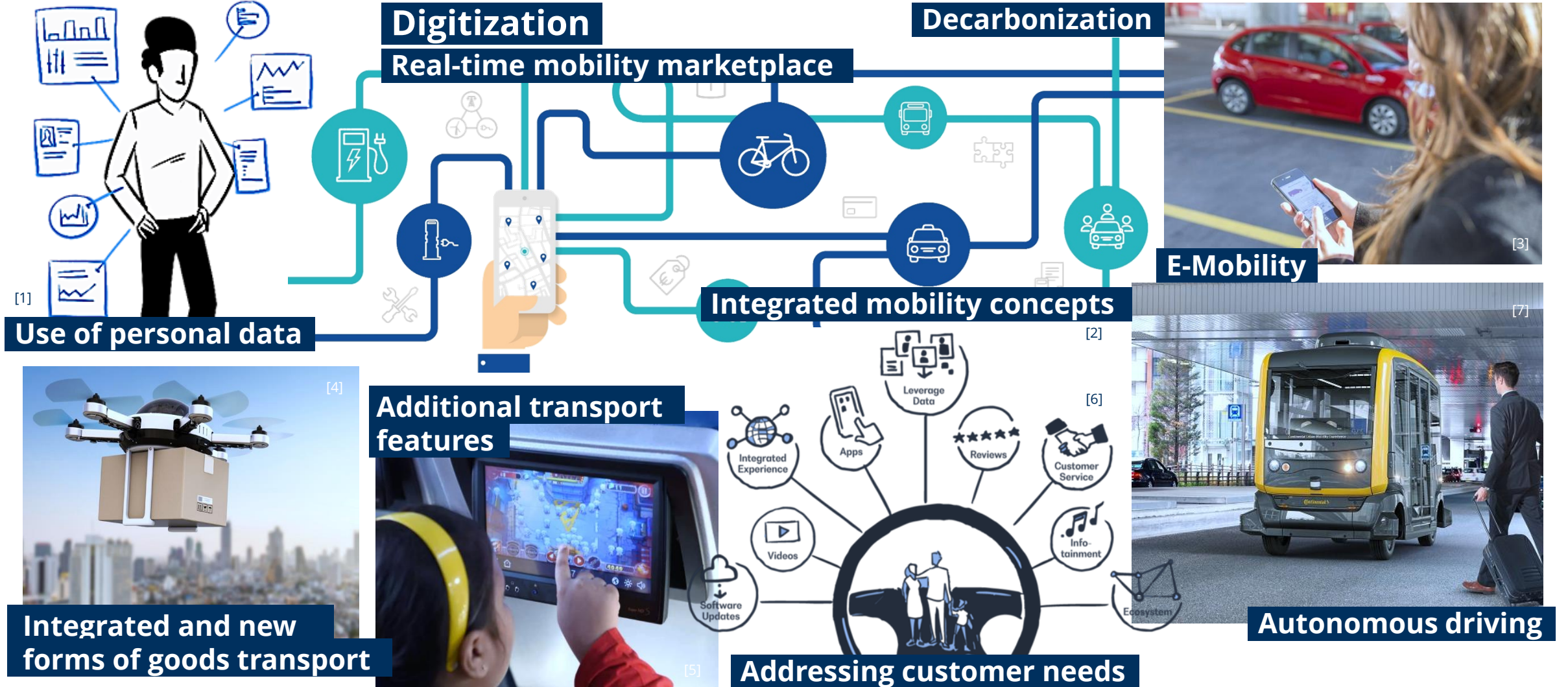


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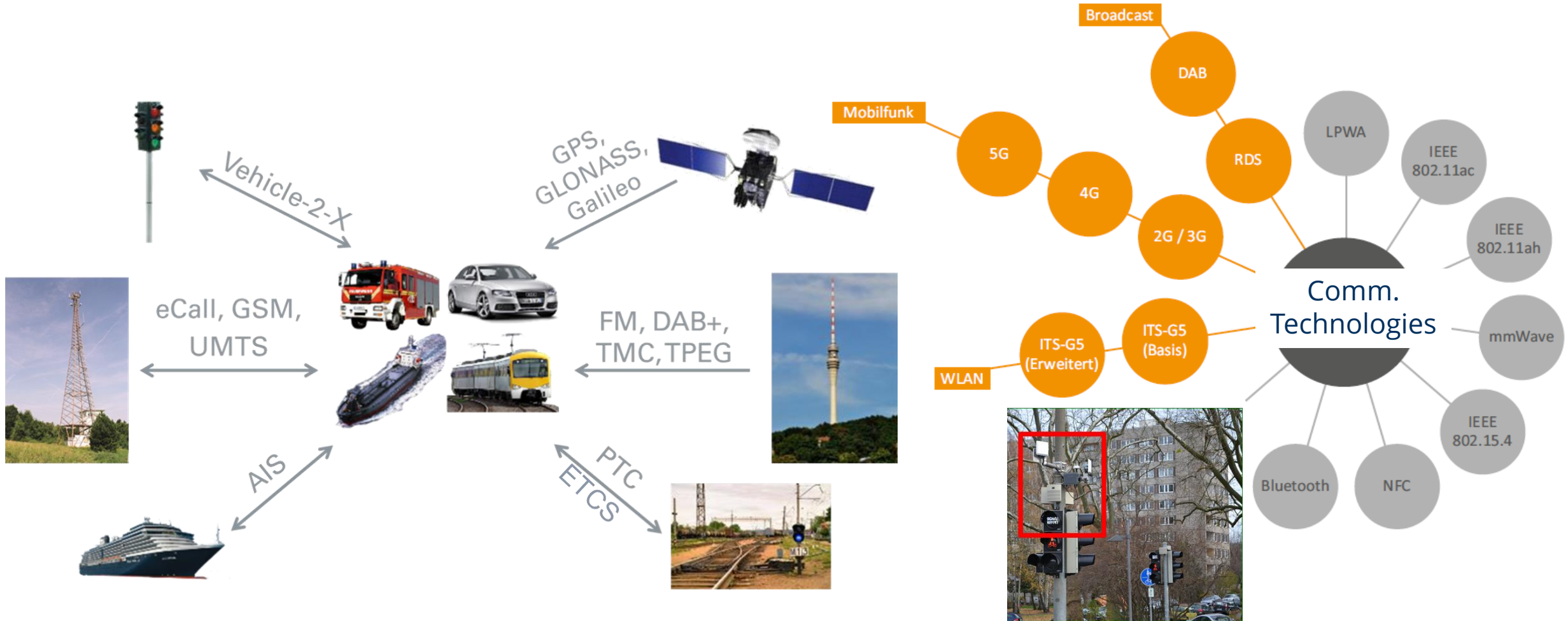
Everything moves
and all is
connected



2 Important Mobility Trends for the Next Decade



2 Variety of technologies and services

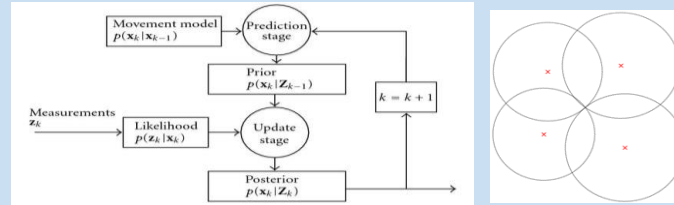


2 Information technology aspects and raw data (TUD-ITVS Framework)

Data input

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Communication / Positioning / Tracking / Sensing



Visualization

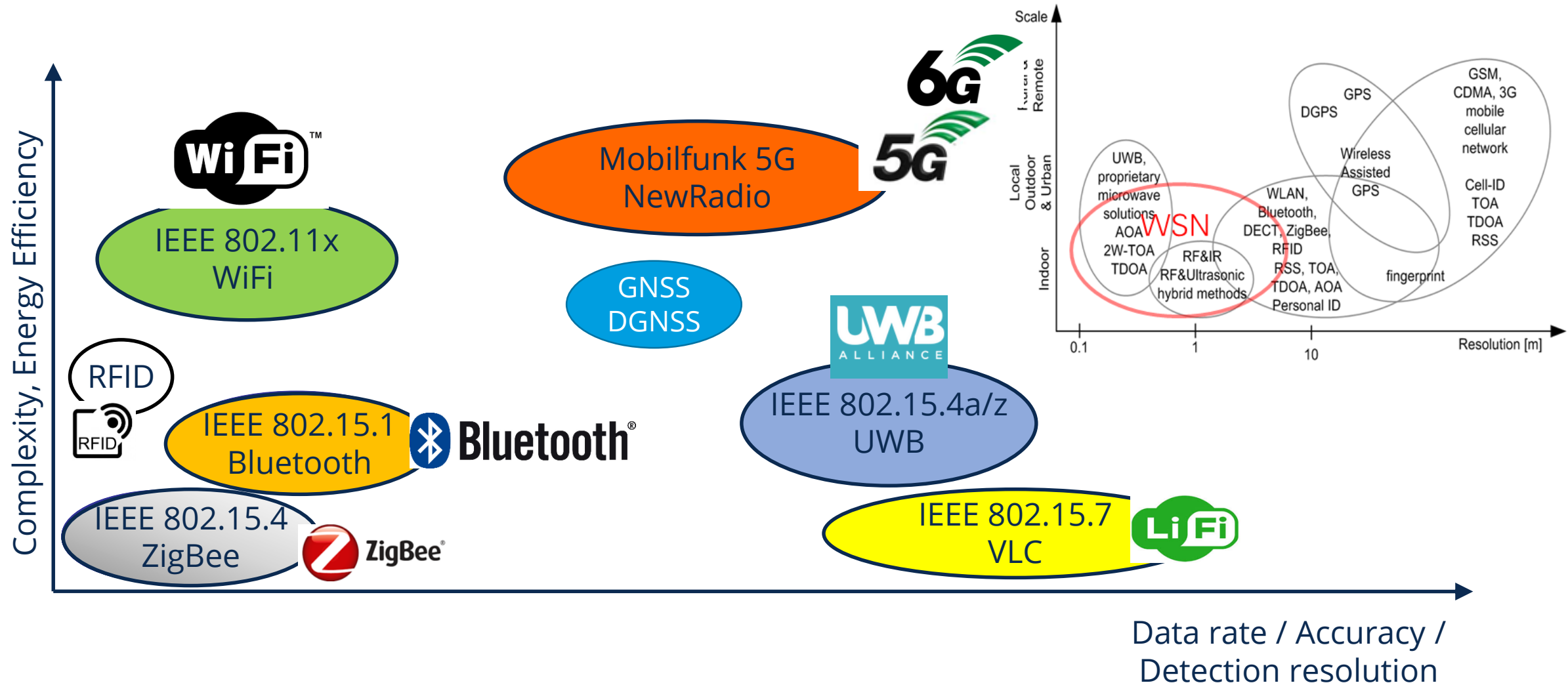


Client/Server -> Database Software

Technology Candidates:

IEEE 802.15.x (BLE, UWB, ZigBee, ...), IEEE 802.11.x (WiFi 2,4/5GHz); MobilComm (5G, 6G),
IEEE 802.15.7 (LiFi)

2 IoT-Communication, Localization / Tracking and Sensing Cross Technologies



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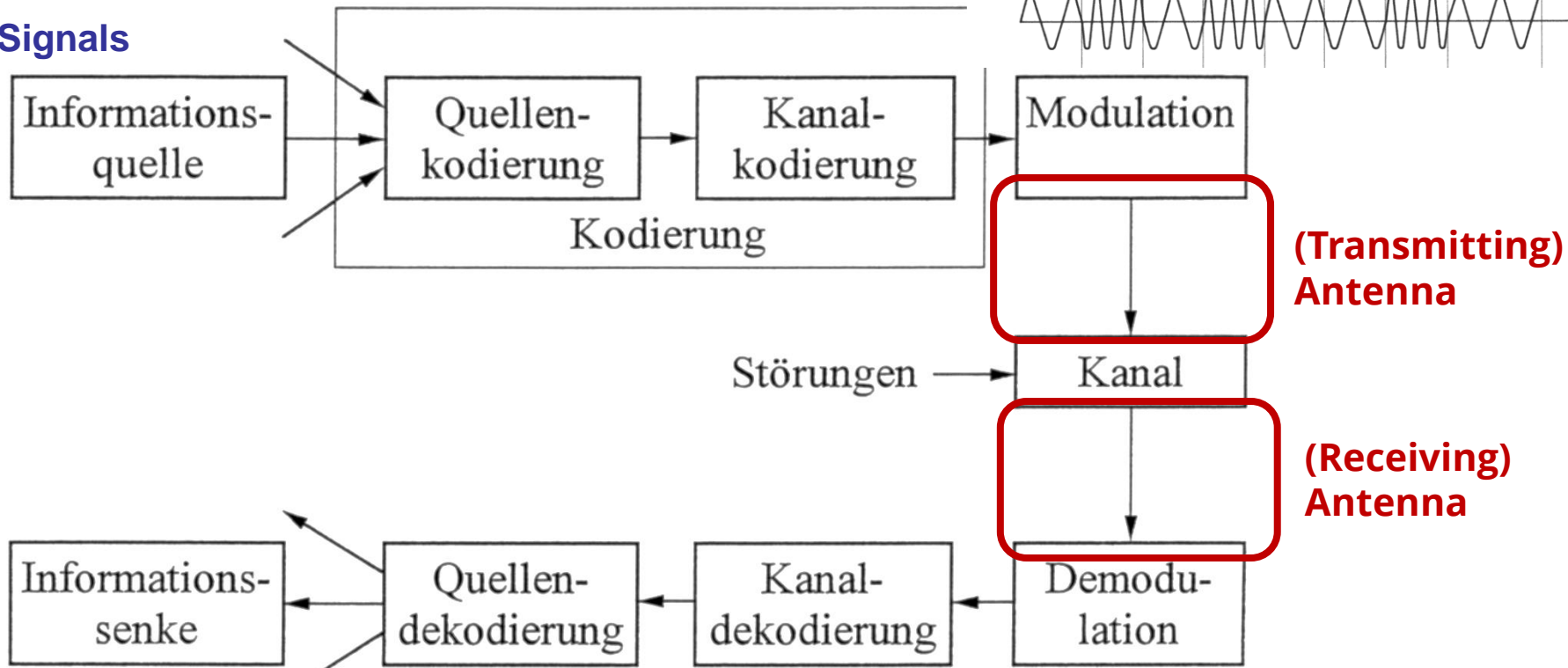
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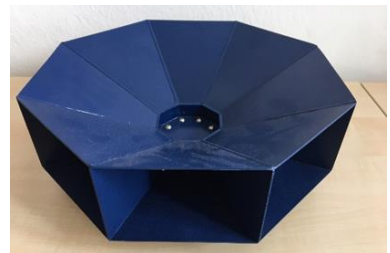
3 Historical fundamental access - Antenna as a central element

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Signals



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3 Timeless decision bases for communication and localization technologies



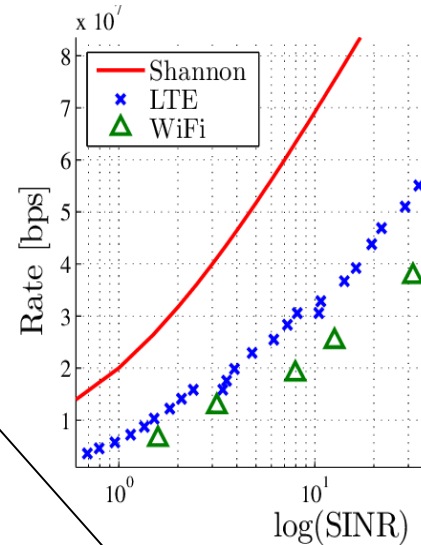
Shannon Channel Capacity Theorem

$$C \approx \frac{B}{3} \cdot \underbrace{SNR_{dB}}_{10 \cdot \lg\left(\frac{P_S}{P_N}\right)}$$

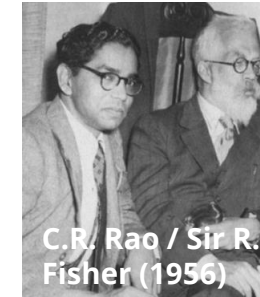
Channel capacity C
max. Data rate
[Mbit/s]

Bandwidth
B / [MHz]

Signal-to-Noise Ratio
Ratio
SNR / [dB]



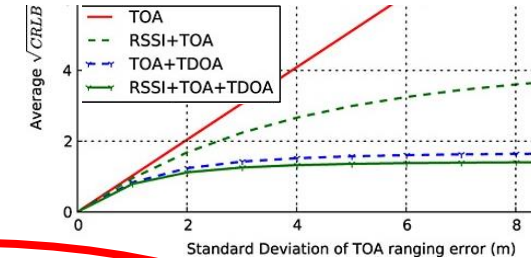
Cramer Rao Lower (Fisher) Bond



$$\sqrt{\text{Var}(d)} \geq \frac{c}{2\sqrt{2\pi} \sqrt{SNR} B}$$

Signal-to-Noise Ratio
SNR

Bandwidth
B



3 Antenna Basics - Description

- History

Faraday / Henry (1831) – first Experiments

Maxwell (1864) – Theory

Hertz (1886) – Experimental Proof

Marconi (1901) – Technical Proof



James Clerk Maxwell



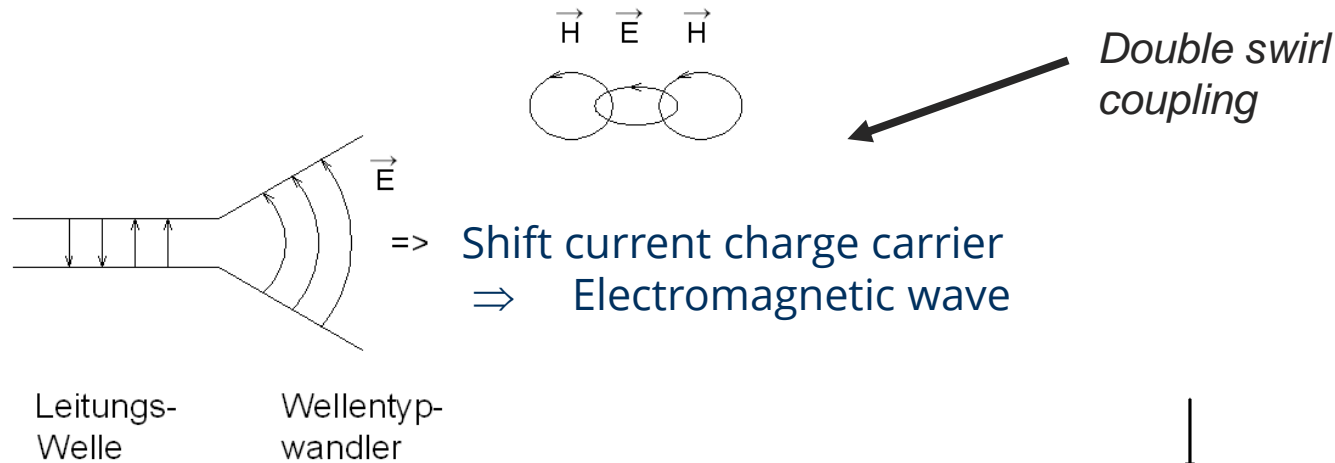
Heinrich Hertz



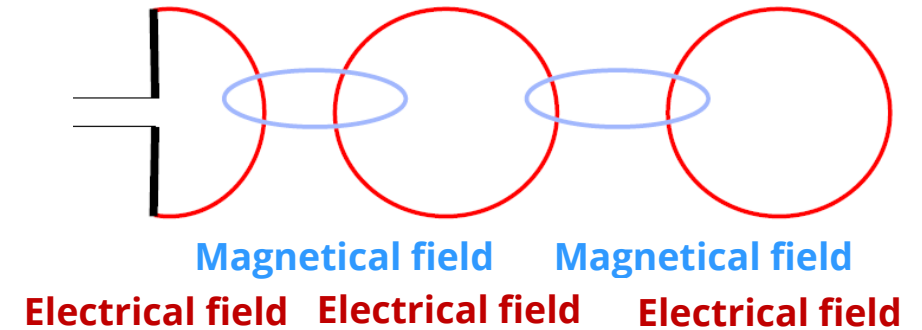
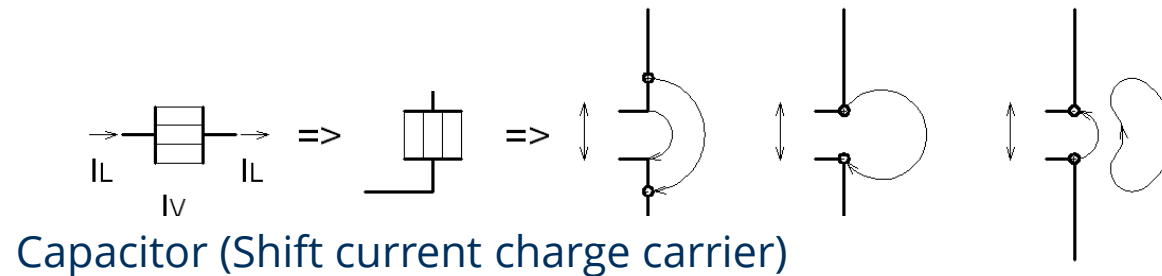
Guglielmo Marconi

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<https://de.wikipedia.org>

- Phenomenological description

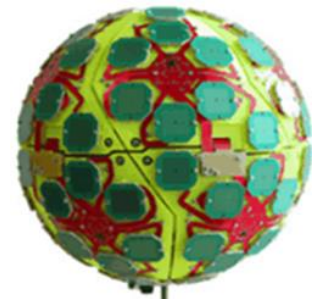


Antenna

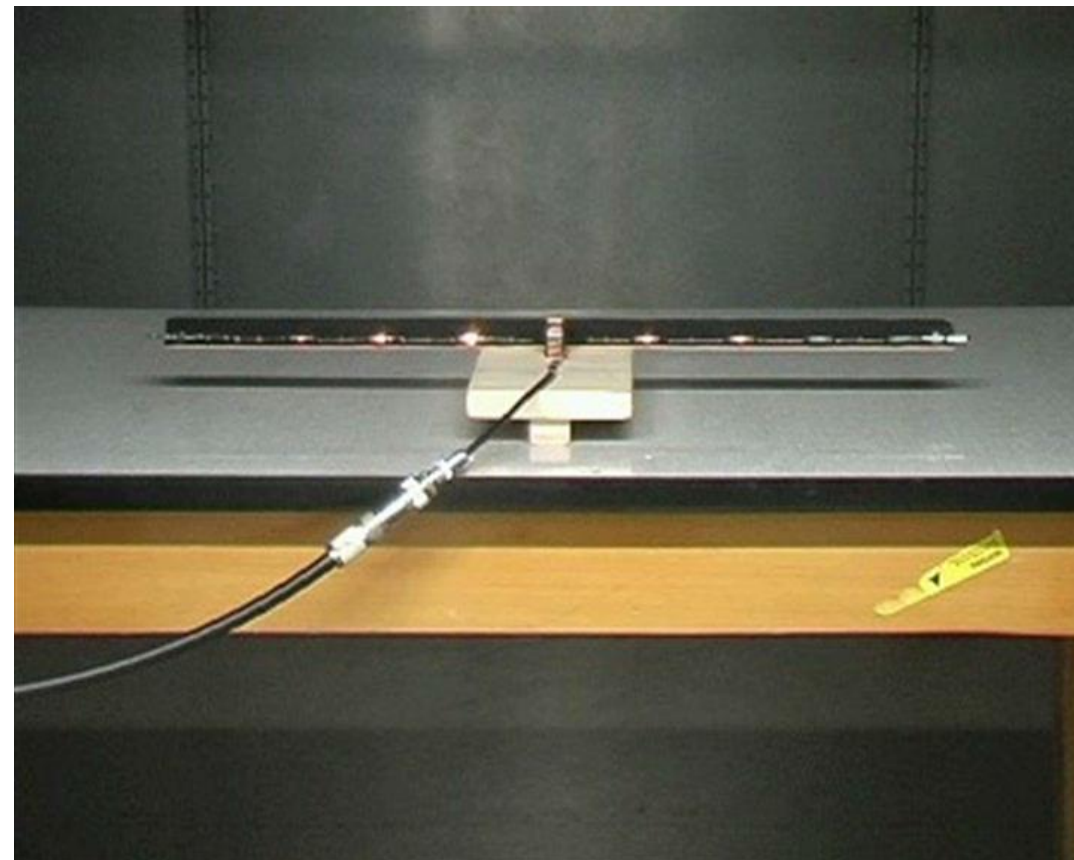
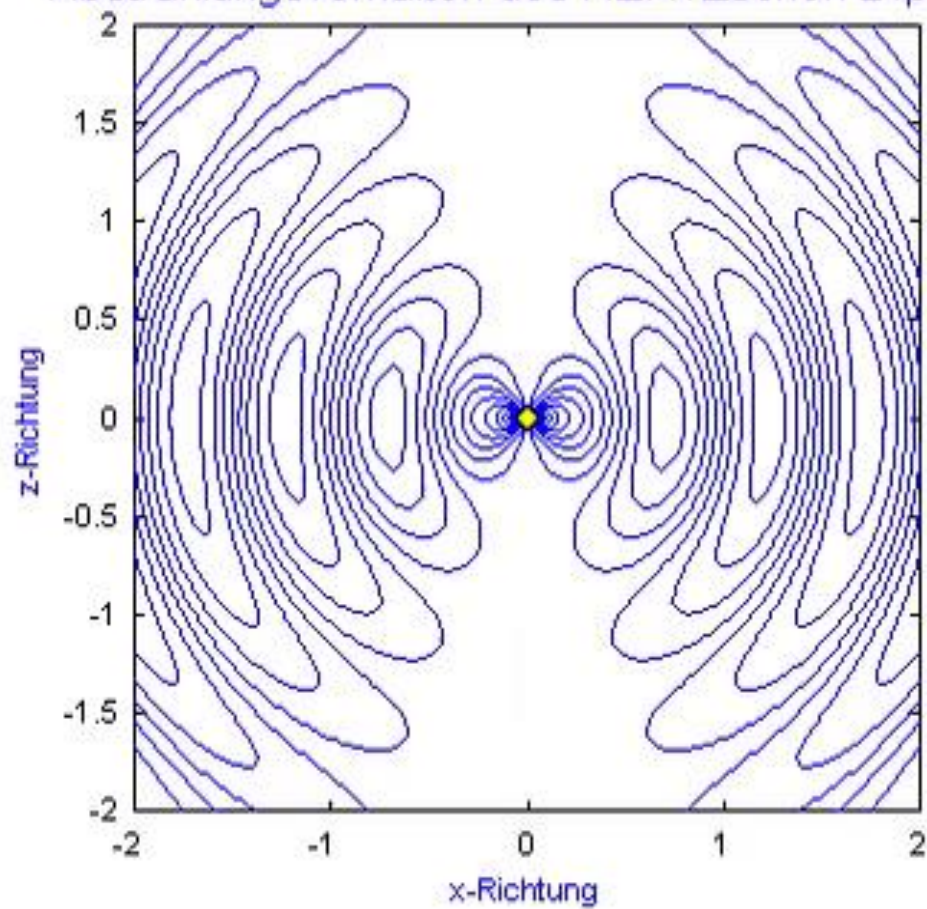


Hertzian dipole(1)

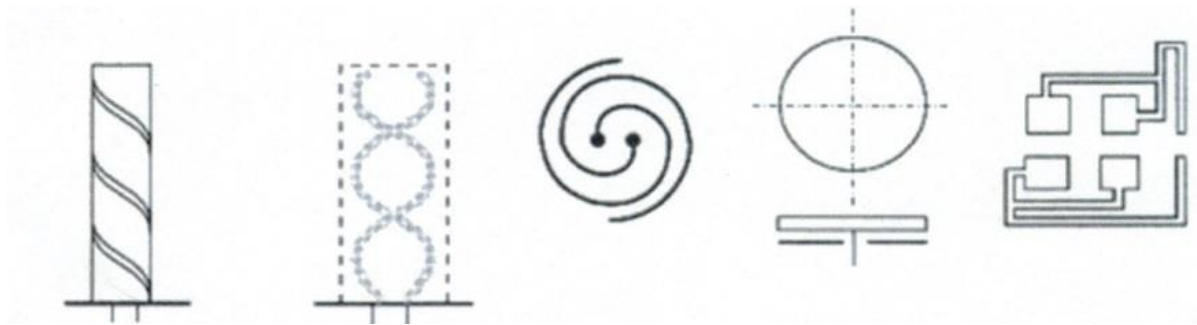
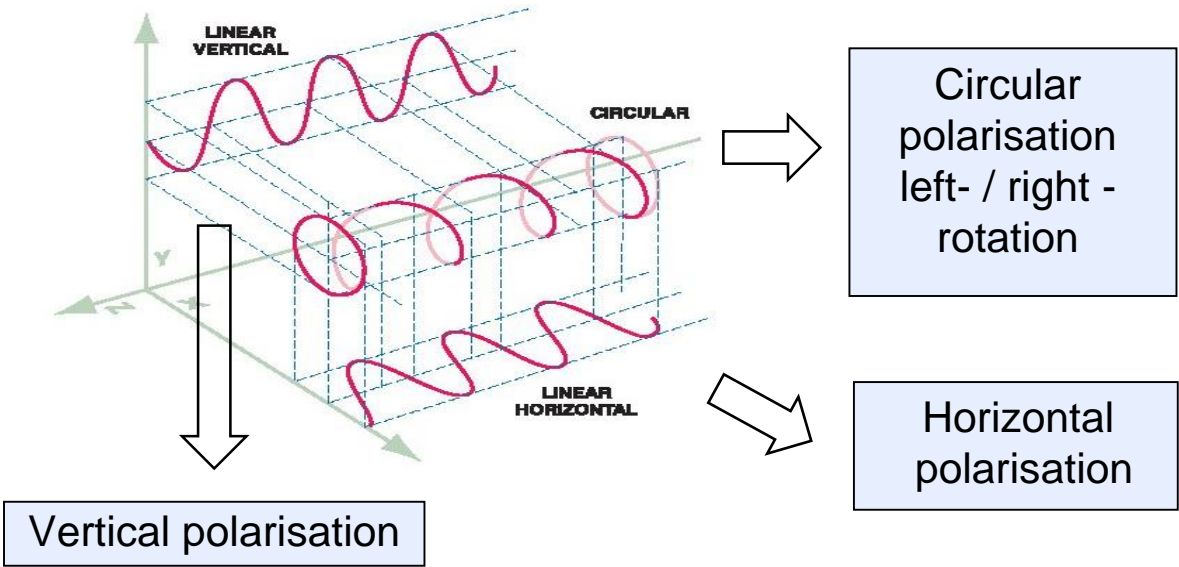
Hertzian dipole(2)



Abstrahlungsverhalten des HERTZschen Dipols



3 Antenna Basics - Polarisation



Polarisation: patial orientation of the electric field strength vector

⇒ Decoupling possibilities



	Vertical	Horizontal	Circular Right	Circular Left
	↑	→	↻	↻
Vertical ↑	0 dB	∞	3 dB	3 dB
Horizontal →	∞	0 dB	3 dB	3 dB
Circular Right ↻	3 dB	3 dB	0 dB	∞
Circular left ↻	3 dB	3 dB	∞	0 dB

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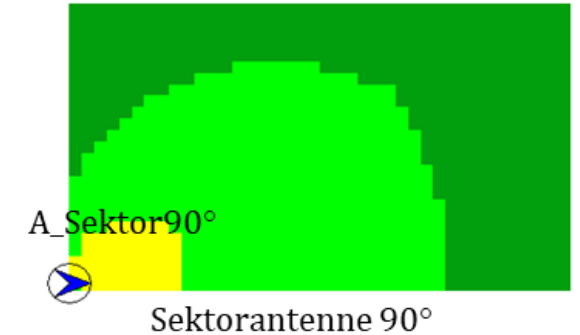
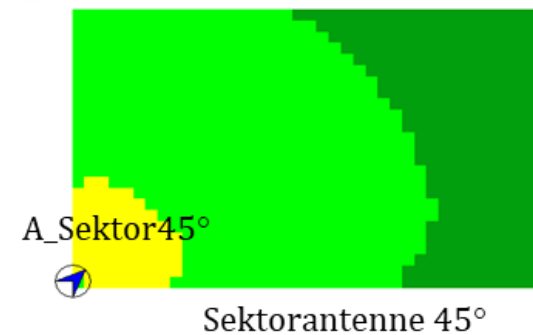
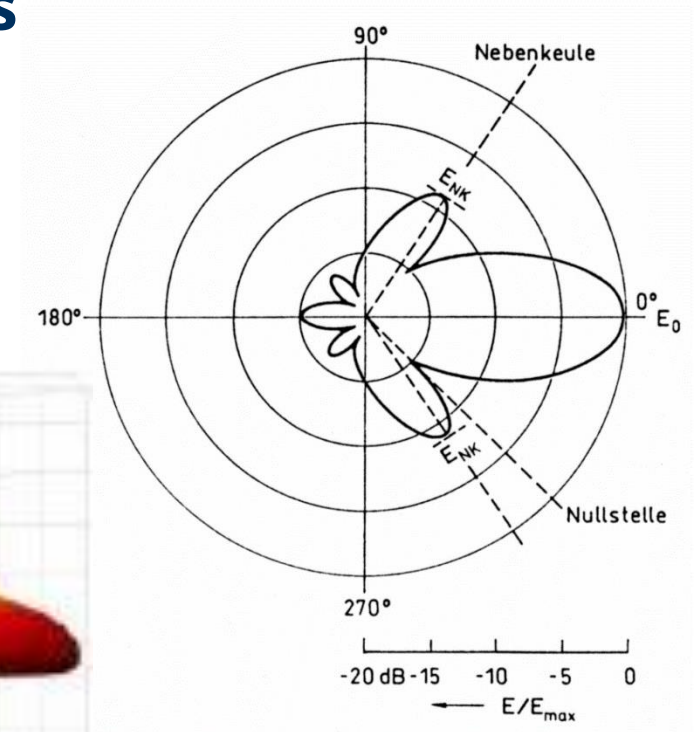
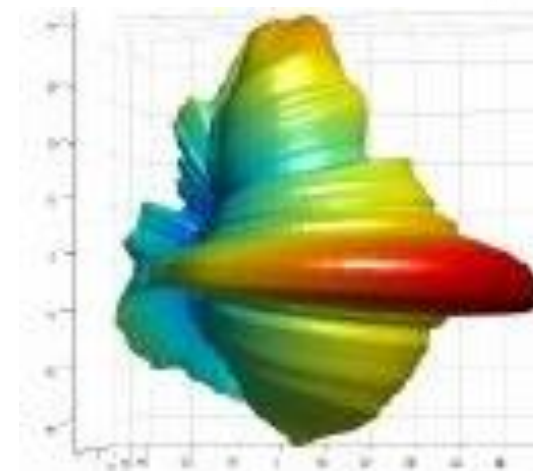
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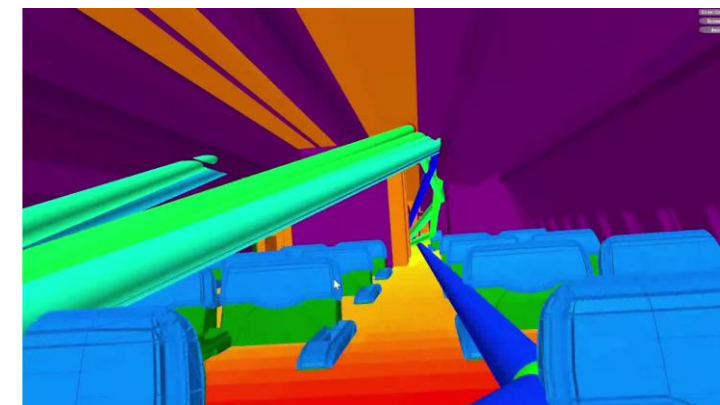
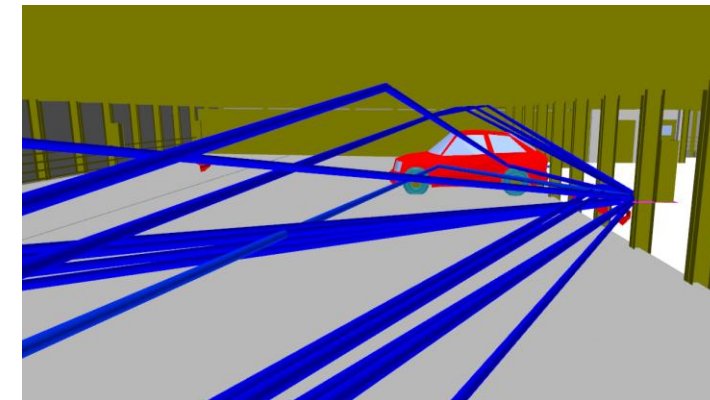
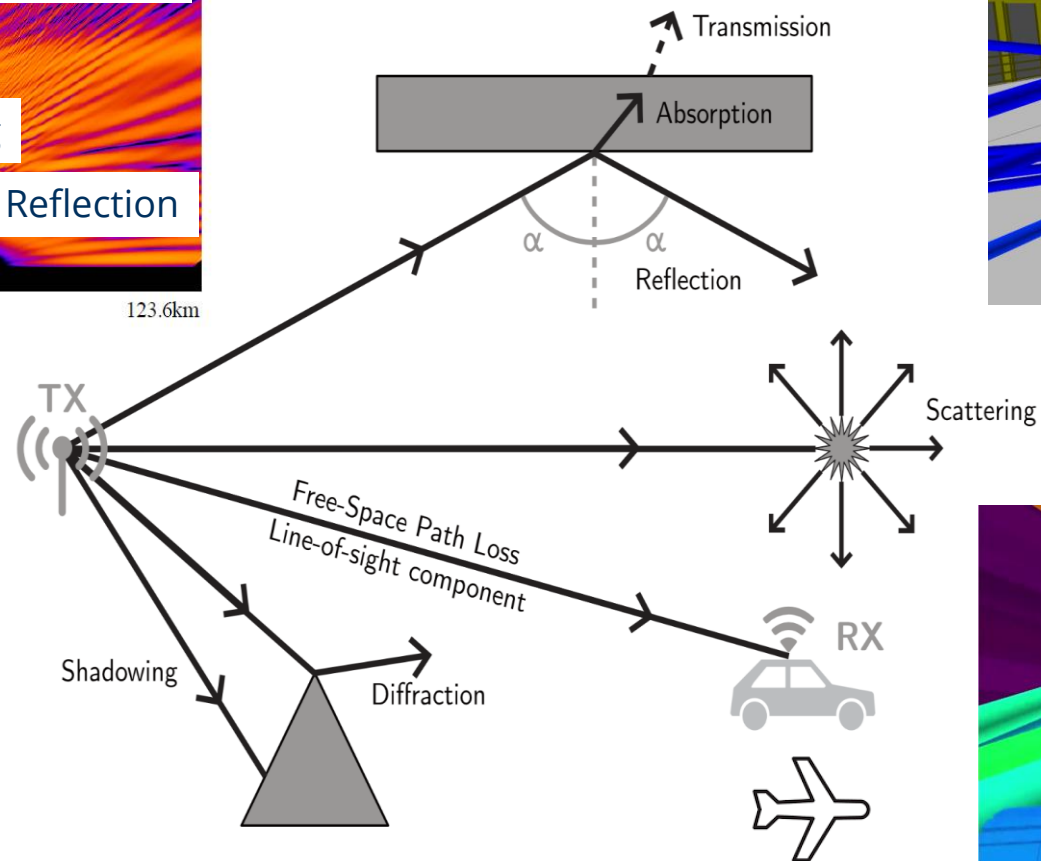
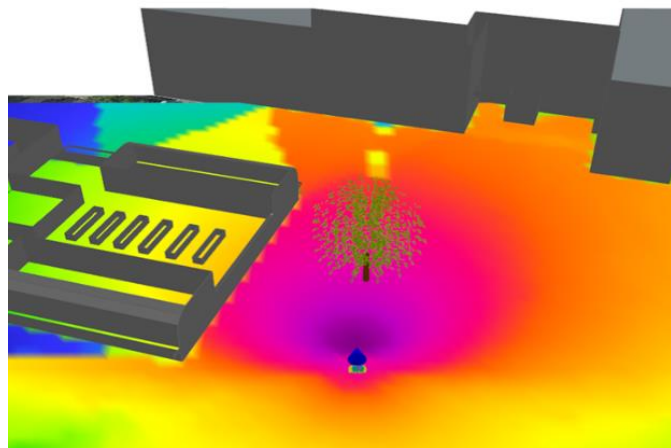
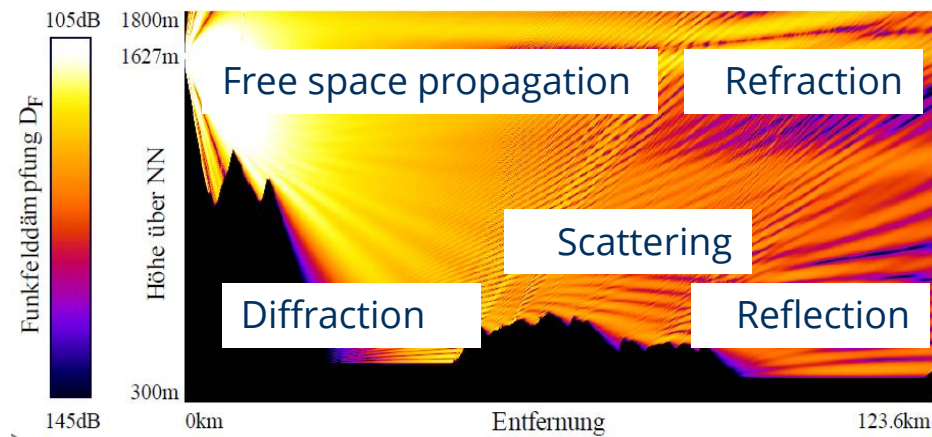
4 Potentials of directional antennas – General remarks

- Antenna characteristics (general)

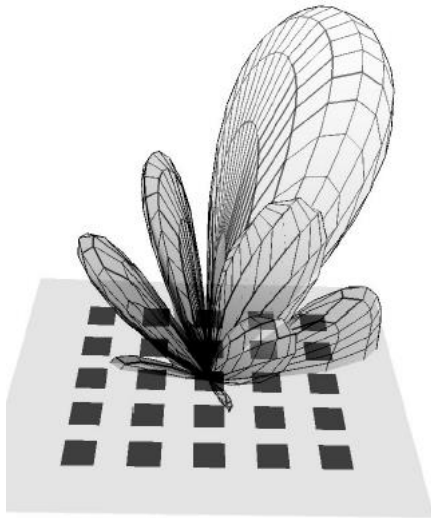
- Reciprocity: Identity of the characteristic in the transmit/receive case
- Radiation characteristic: 3D field strength characteristic
- Directional diagram: Cross-section through radiation pattern
- Gain: measure for directivity
- Half width: 3dB opening angle
- Forward/Backward ratio
- Side lobe damping



4 Potentials of directional antennas – Multipath aspects



4 Potentials of directional antennas – Beamforming antennas

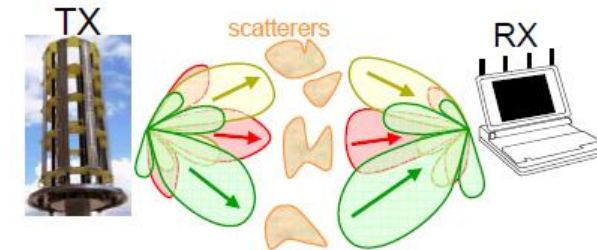
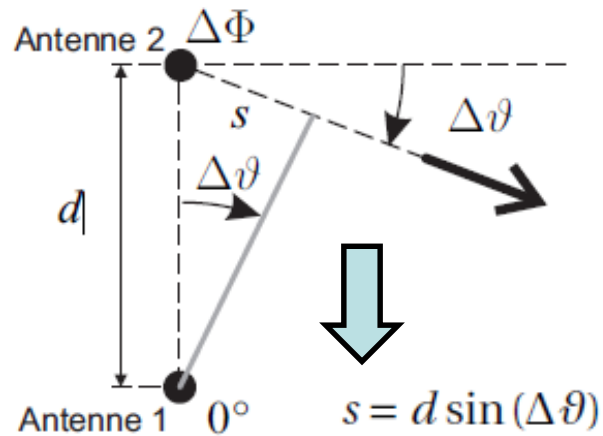


Beispiel einer Phasenbelegung der Elemente einer (5x5)-Patch-Antenne

	$m = 0$	$m = 1$	$m = 2$	$m = 3$	$m = 4$
$n = 4$	275,8°	333,5°	391,5°	449,3°	507,2°
$n = 3$	206,8°	264,6°	322,6°	380,3°	438,3°
$n = 2$	137,9°	195,7°	253,6°	311,4°	369,4°
$n = 1$	68,9°	126,7°	191,2°	242,5°	300,4°
$n = 0$	0,0°	57,9°	115,7°	173,6°	231,5°

Source: www.authorstream.com

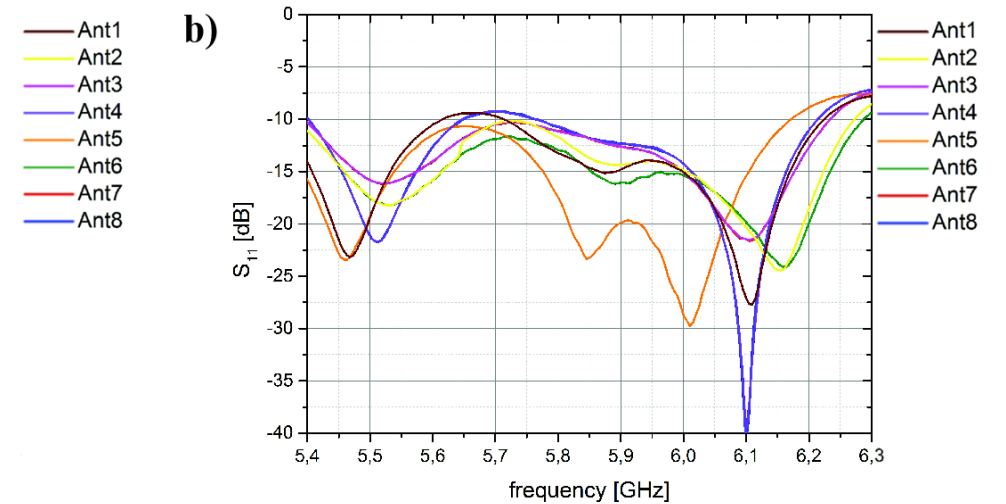
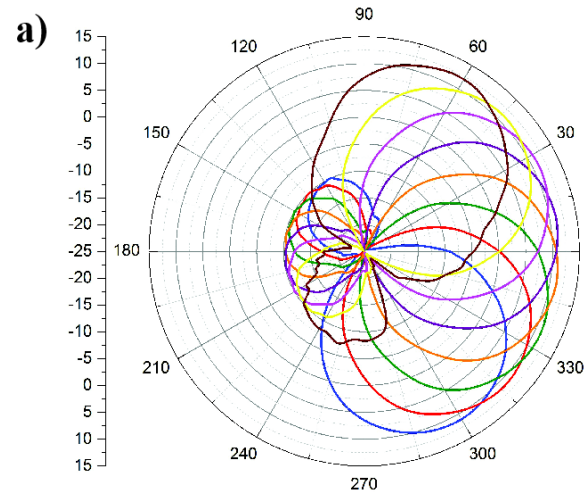
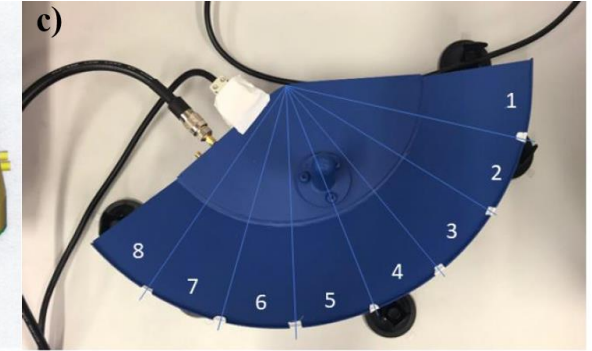
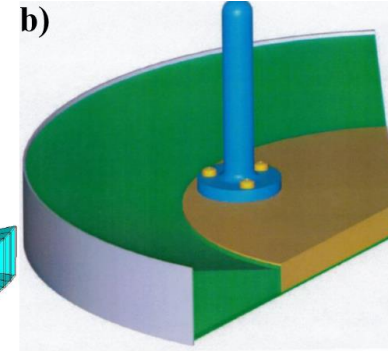
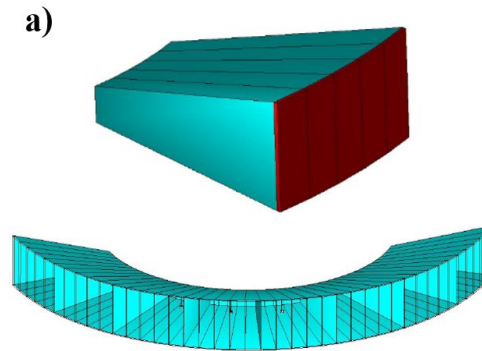
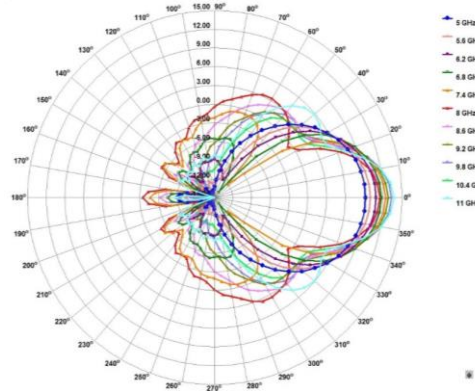
⇒ Einsatz in Intelligenten Antennensystemen



MIMO: Multiple Input Multiple Output

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4 Potentials of directional antennas – Beamswitching antennas

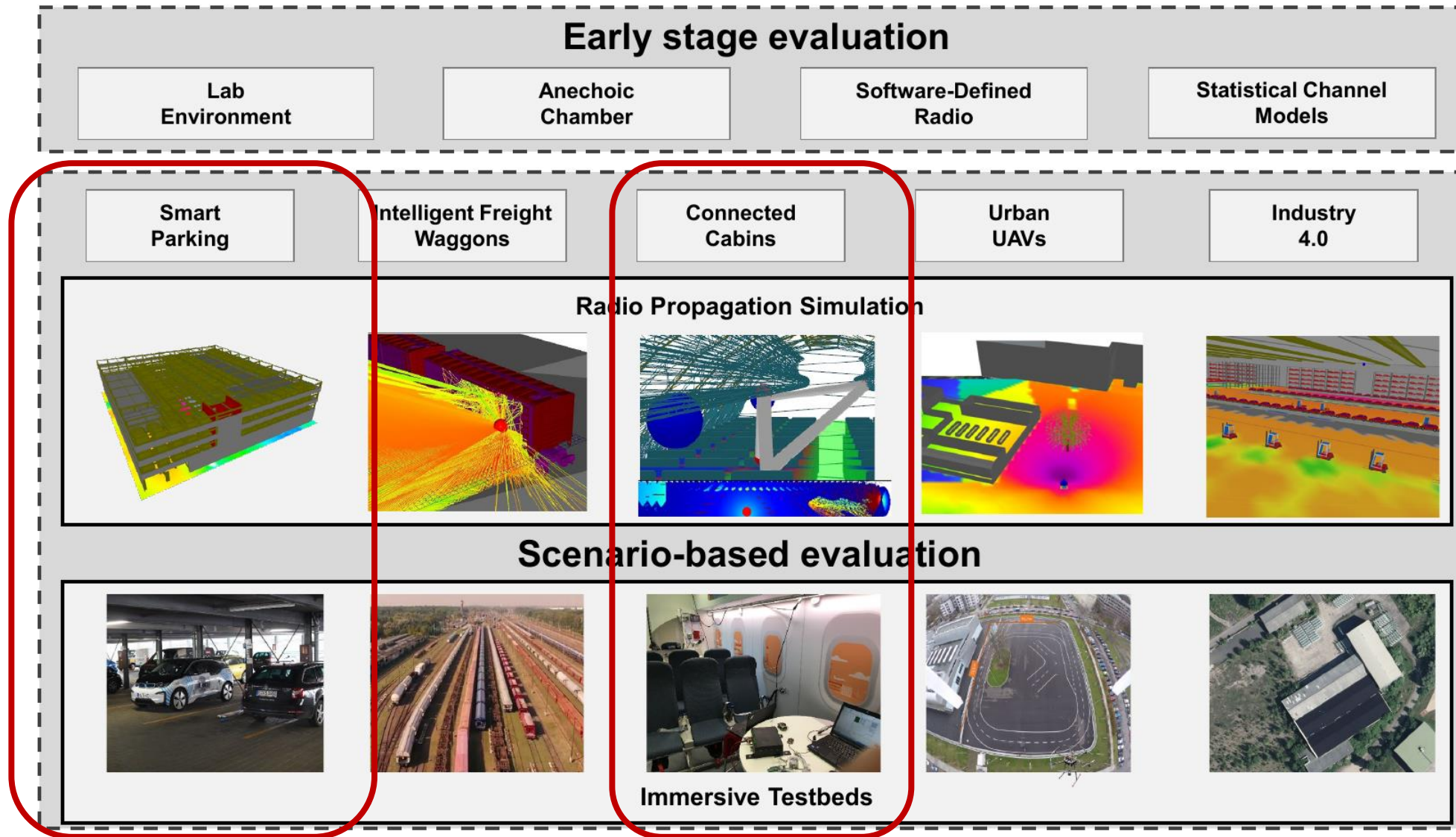


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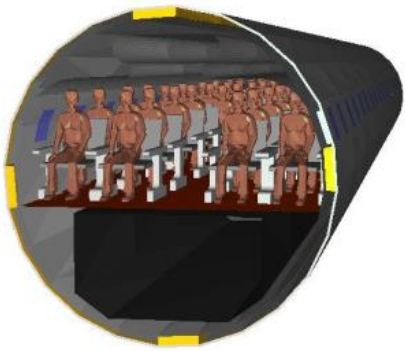
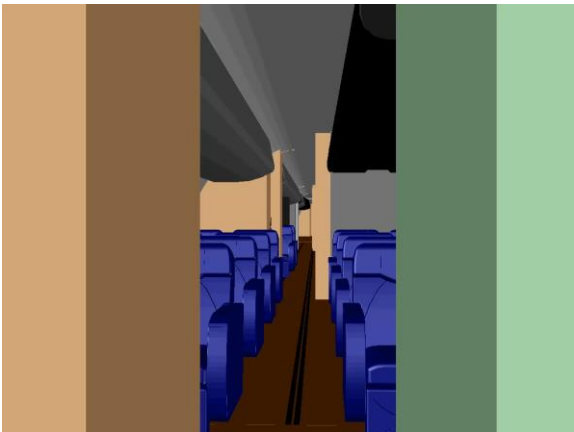
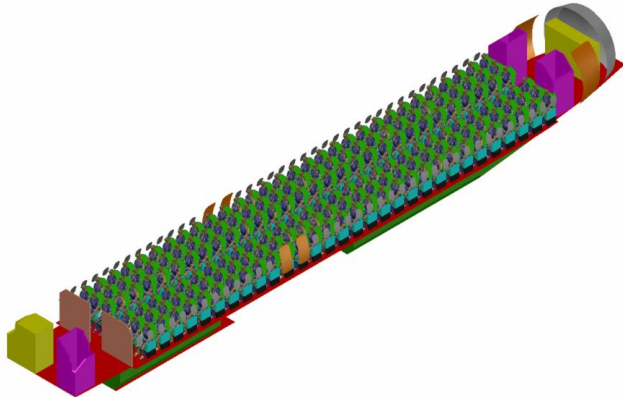
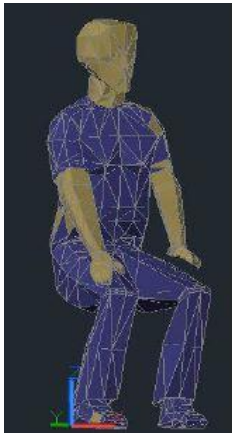
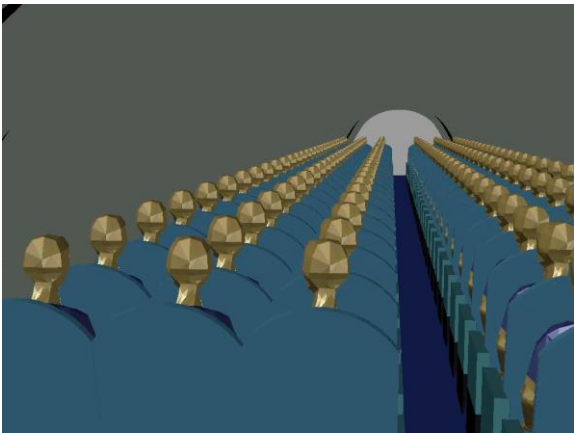
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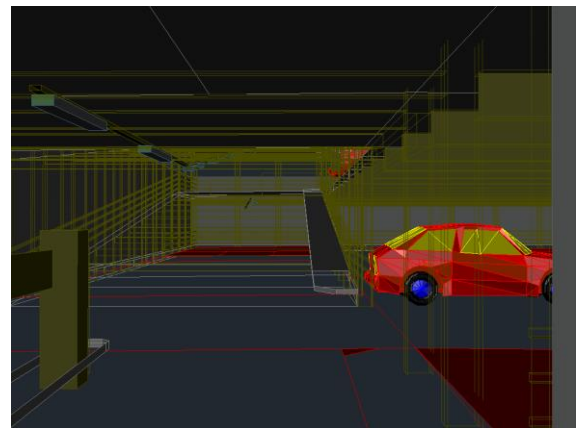
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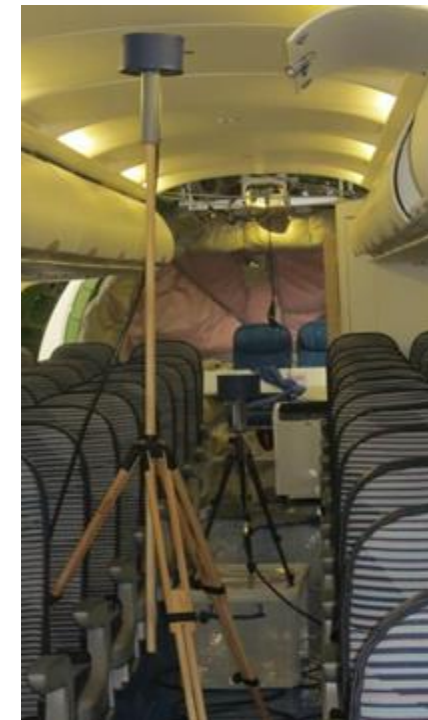
5 Current project activities (aviation and automotive)



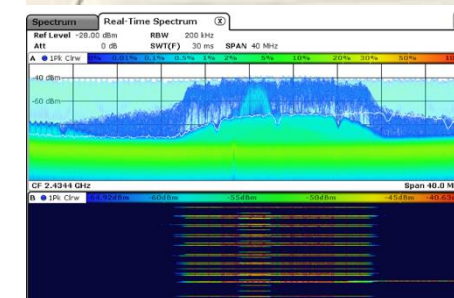
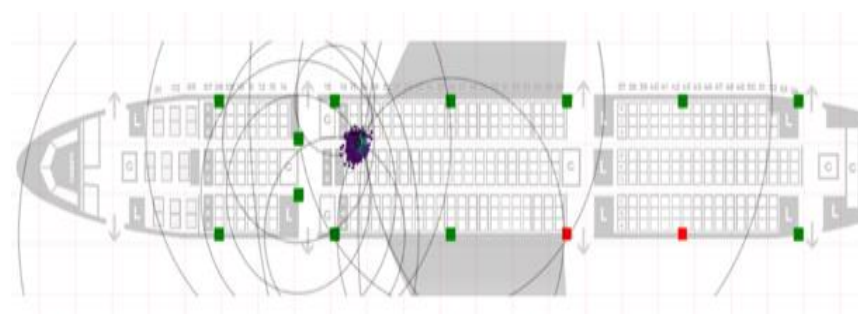
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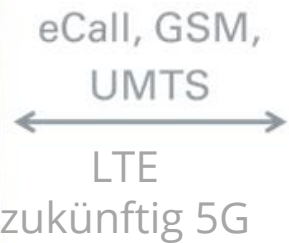
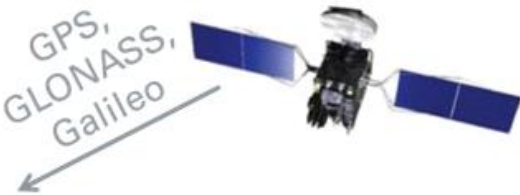
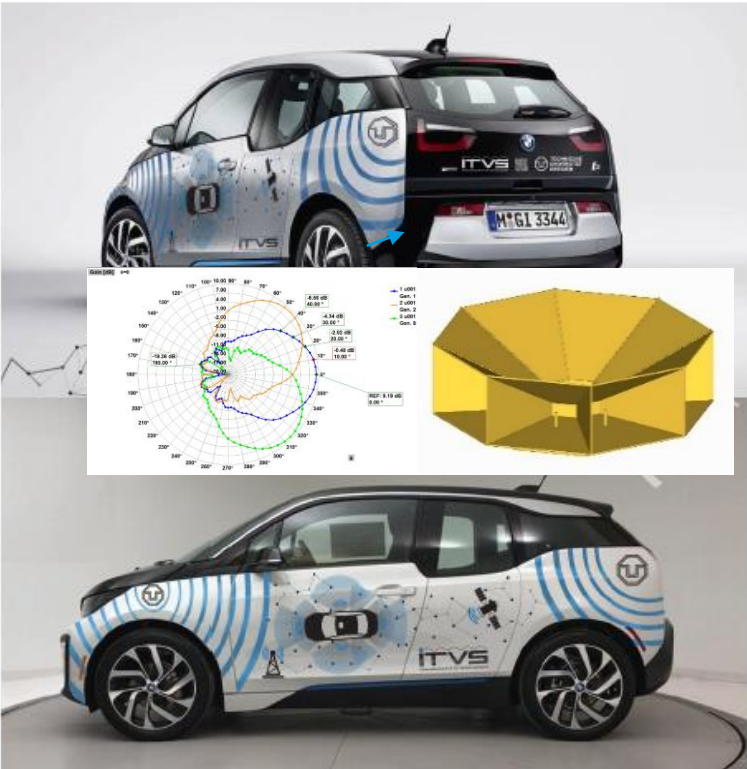
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Innovative air traffic (Wireless Cabin)
CabiNET, CANARIA & ADKT

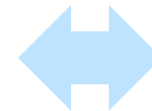
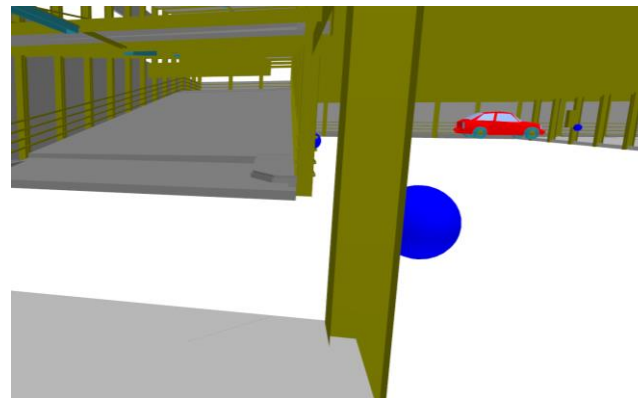
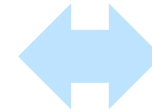
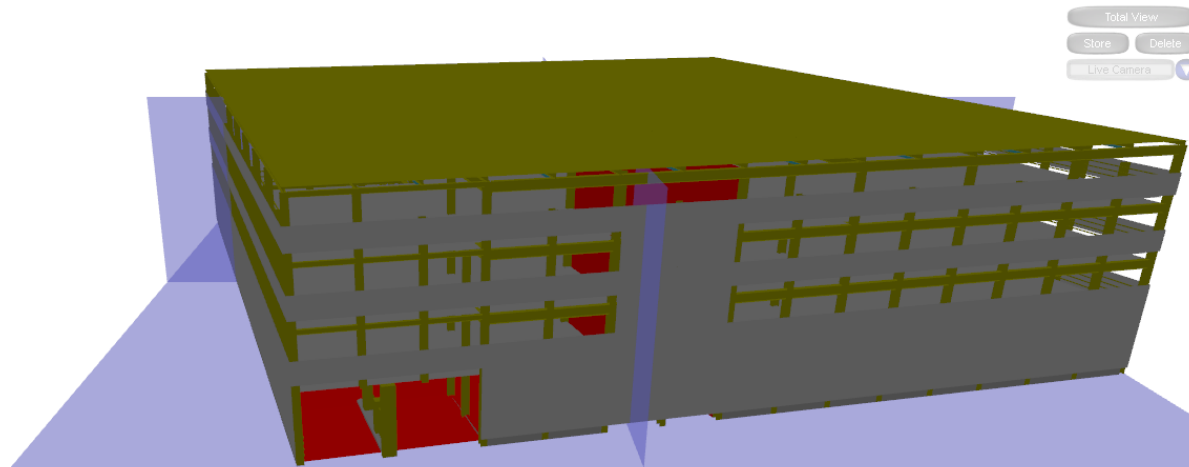


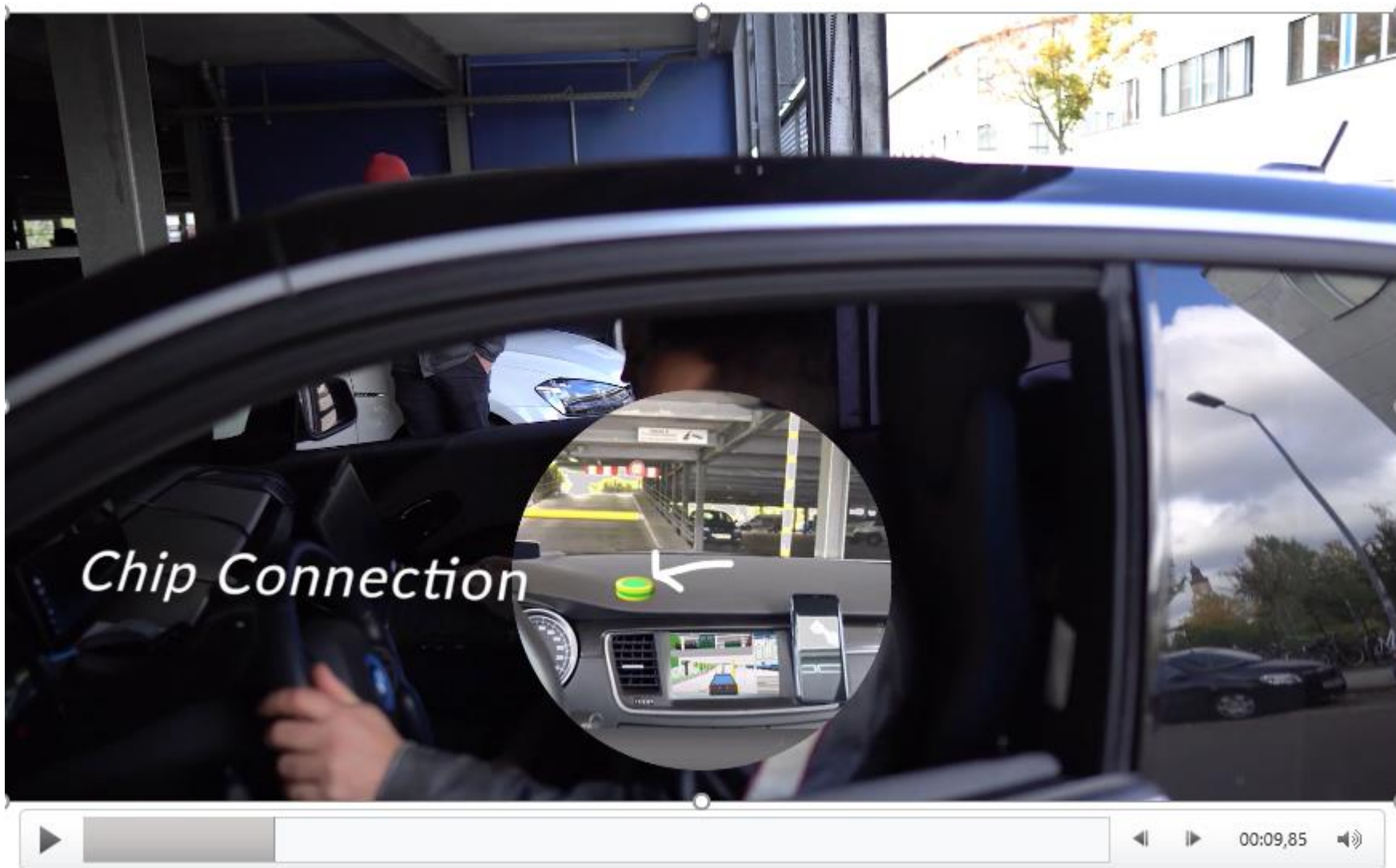
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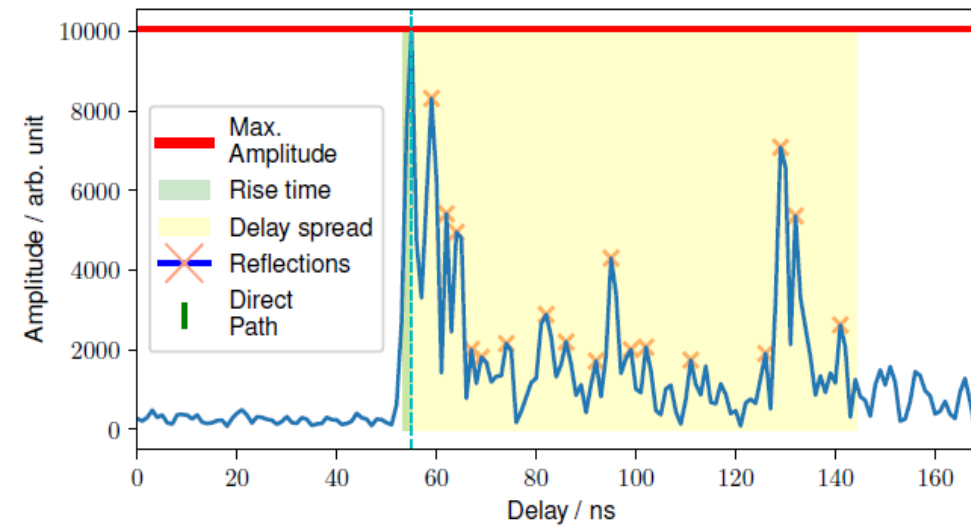
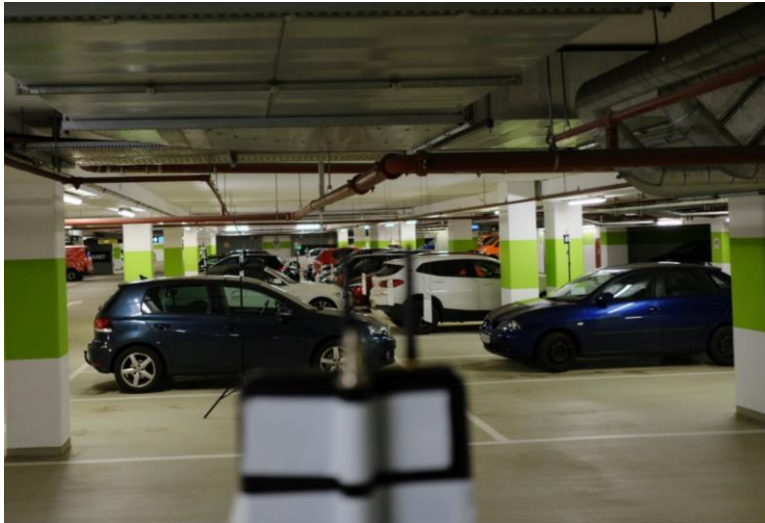
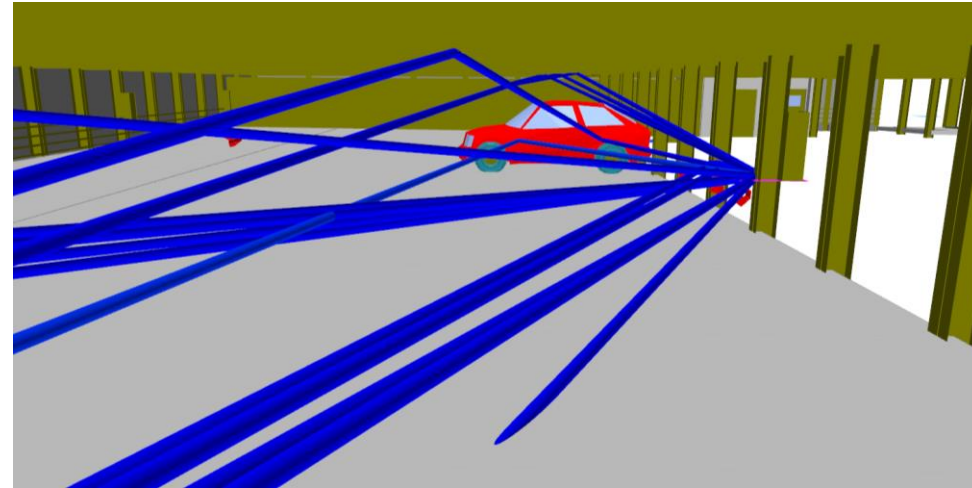
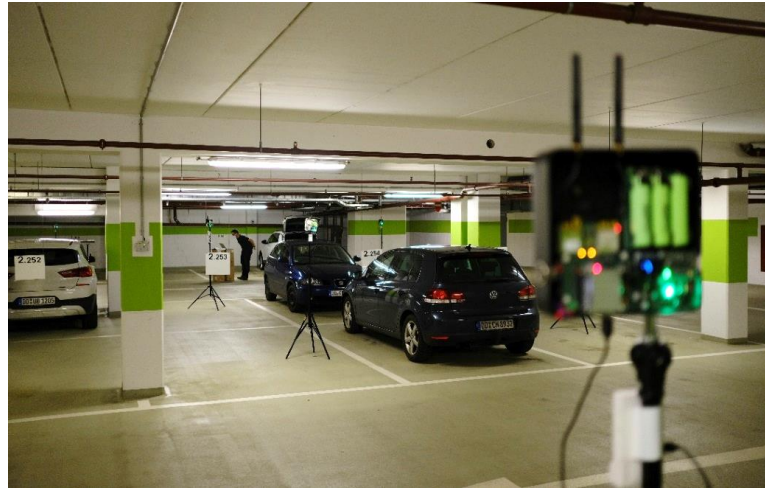
Connected and automated driving
IVS-AMP, IVS-LOK, Fast Sign, V2X4All

5 Selection: Evaluation using Inhouse parking scenario

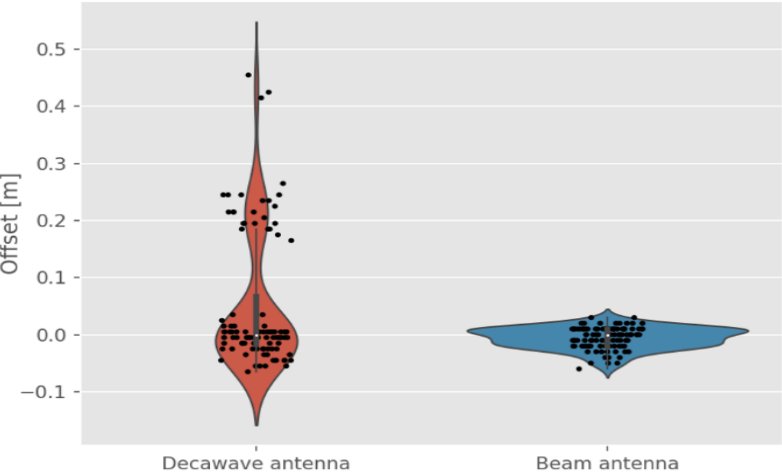
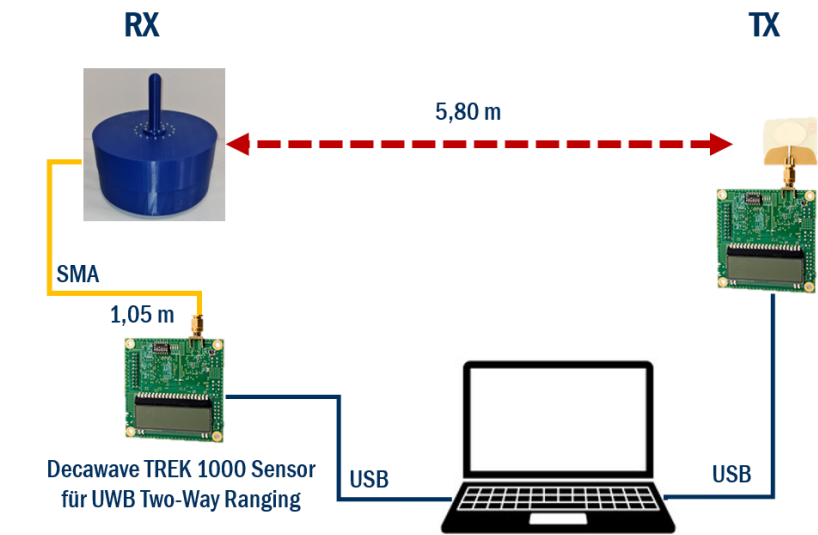




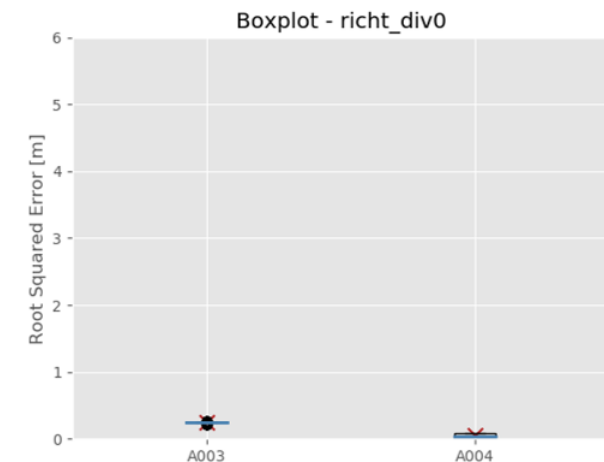
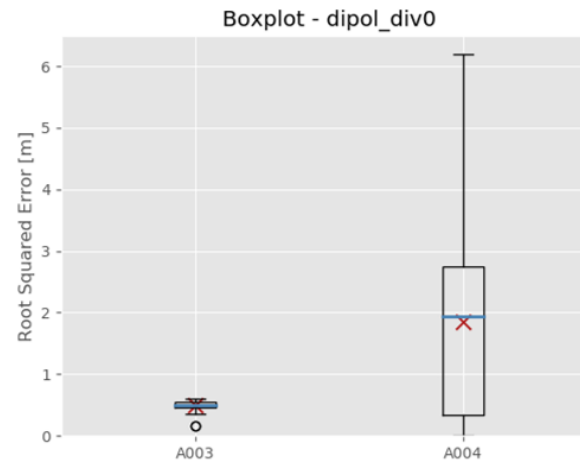
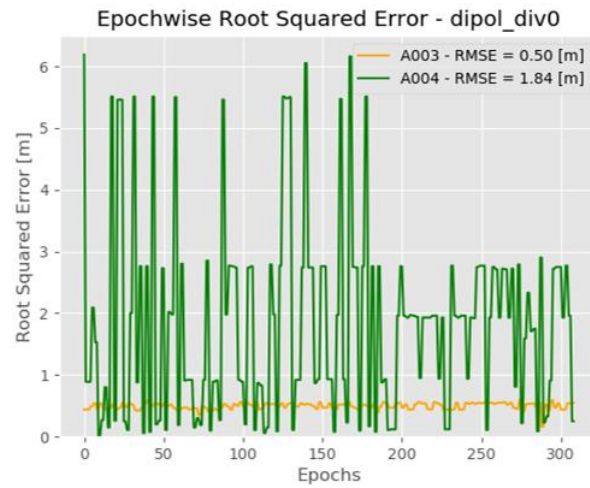
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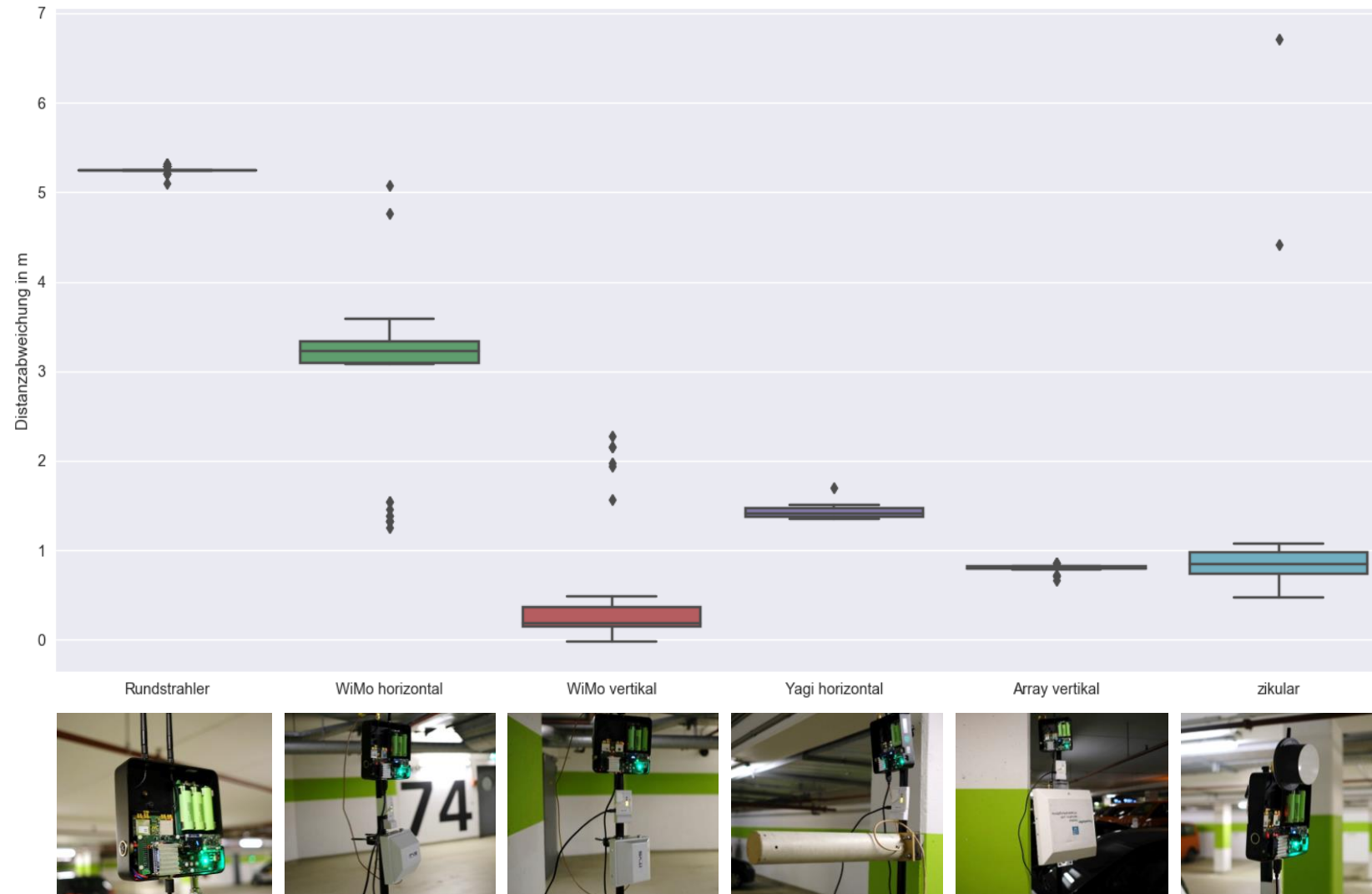
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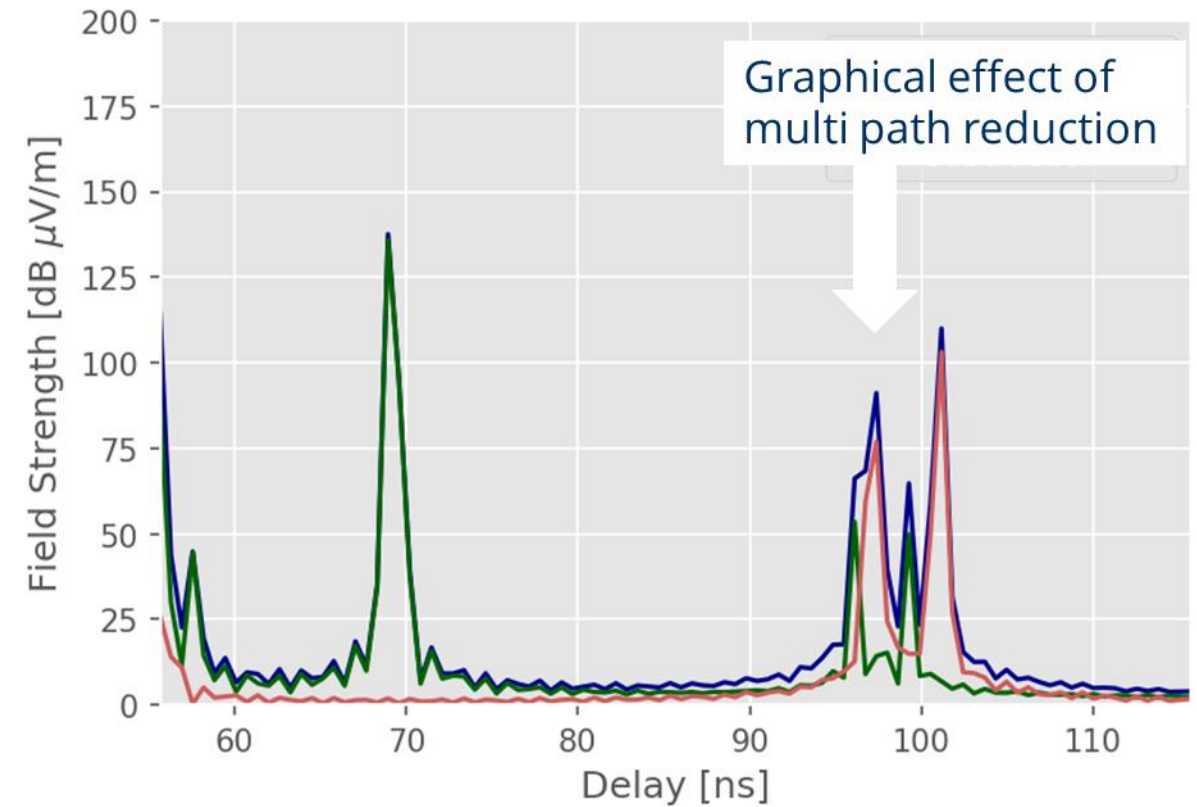
5 Directional antenna result (Parking area)



5 Different directional antenna results / Ranging (Parking area)



5 Beam-forming /-switching antenna results / RSSI + Delay (Parking area)



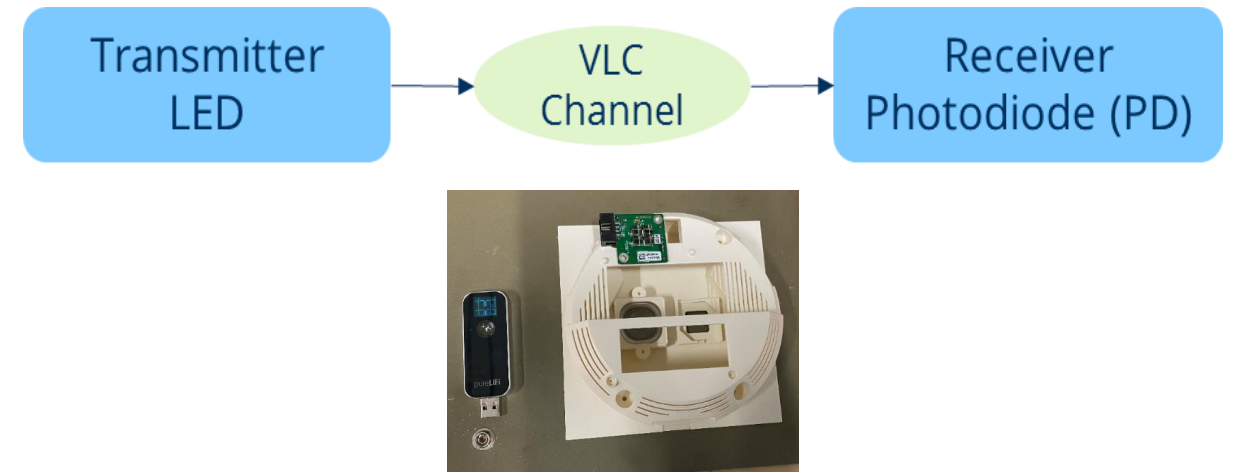
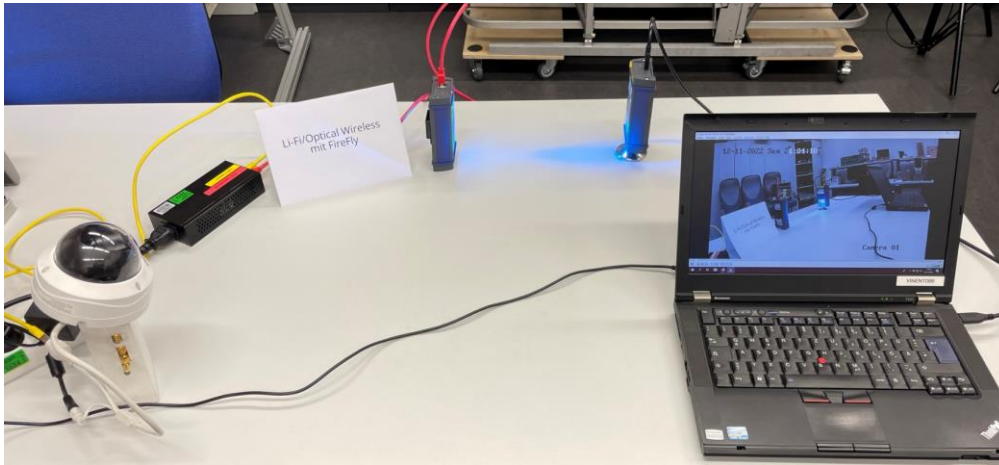
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6 Conclusion and future outlook

- Modern and innovative antennas will continue to play a fundamental role in the next generations of radio-based communication and positioning systems (e.g. 5G, 6G ++)
- The same principle will also apply to the optical free-space communication sector - Visible Light Communication (VLC) or LiFi / but here with so-called Directional Lense Antennas





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