

# **MAC Protocols For M2M Communications**

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# Introduction

- What is M2M?
- Why is the Concept of M2M introduced?
- Goal of M2M Communication.
- Facilities delivered by M2M Communications.
- Important Issues in M2M Communications.
- MAC layer issues related to in M2M communication.

# Requirement of MAC Protocol for M2M Communications

- A. Data Throughput And Efficiency
- B. Scalability
- C. Latency
- D. Energy Efficiency
- E. Cost Effectiveness
- F. Co-existence

# General Wireless MAC protocols

- A. Contention-Based MAC Protocols.
- B. Contention Free MAC Protocols.
- C. Hybrid MAC protocols.

# Taxonomy of M2M MAC protocols

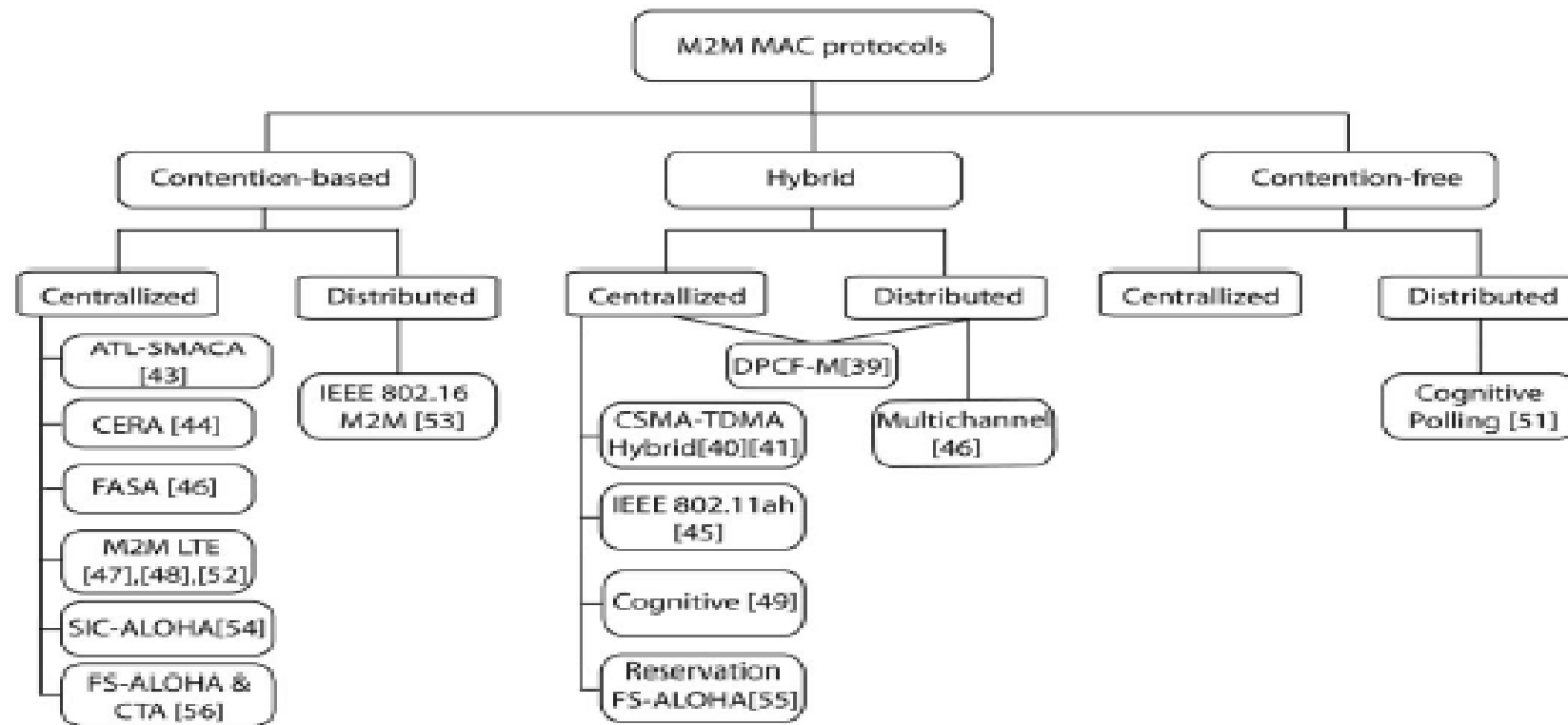


Fig. 1. Taxonomy of M2M MAC protocols.

# MAC Protocols Specific to M2M Communications

- A. DPCF-M
- B. A Scalable Hybrid MAC Protocol for Massive M2M Networks.
- C. An Adaptive Multichannel Protocol for Large Scale M2M Networks.
- D. Random Access for M2M communications in LTE-Advanced Networks.
- E. A Distributed Multichannel MAC Protocol for Multi-Hop Cognitive Radio Networks.

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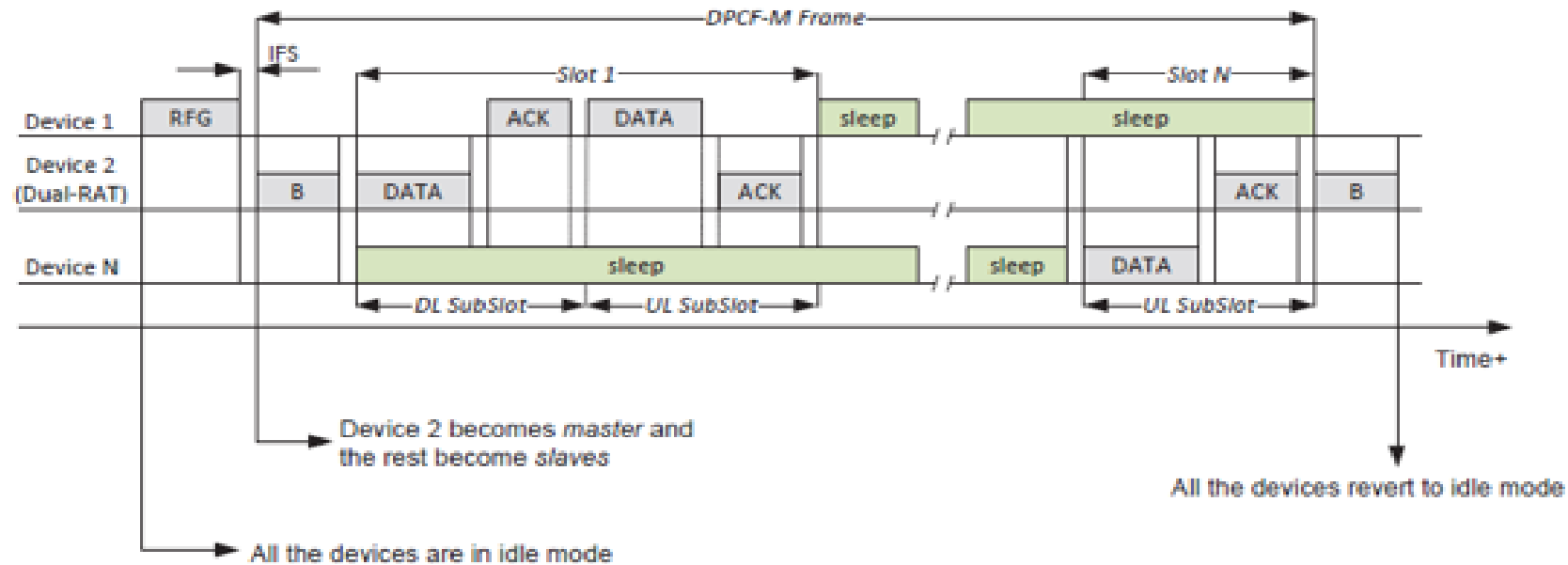
- F. Adaptive Load Slotted MACA.
- G. Code Expanded Random Access. (CERA)
- H. Enhancement of IEEE 802.11ah for M2M Communications.

# DPCF-M

- 1. Single-RAT and Dual-RAT Devices.
- 2. Energy Efficiency.
- 3. DPCF-M Communication.
- 4. M2M Gateway Selection.
- 5. End of Cluster.
- 6. Beacon Packet Information.

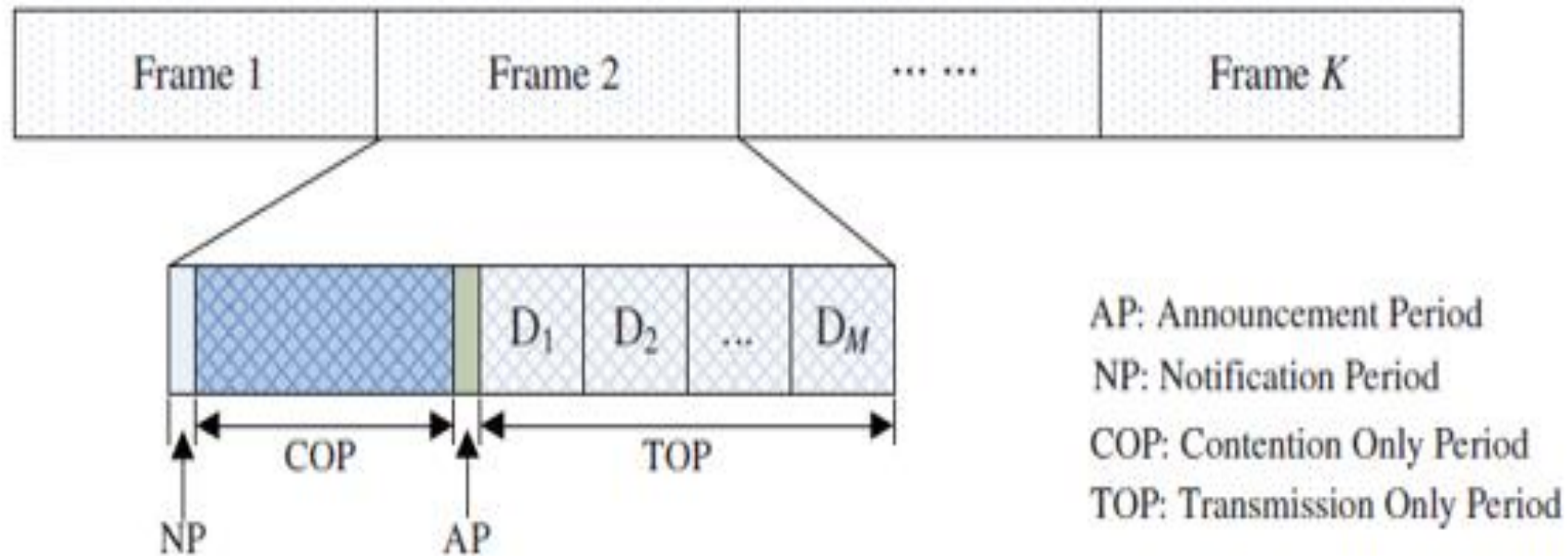


# DPCF-M



*Ref: Azquez-Gallego et. al., "DPCF-M: A medium access control protocol for dense machine-to machine area networks with dynamic gateways"*

# A Scalable Hybrid MAC Protocol For Massive M2M Networks.



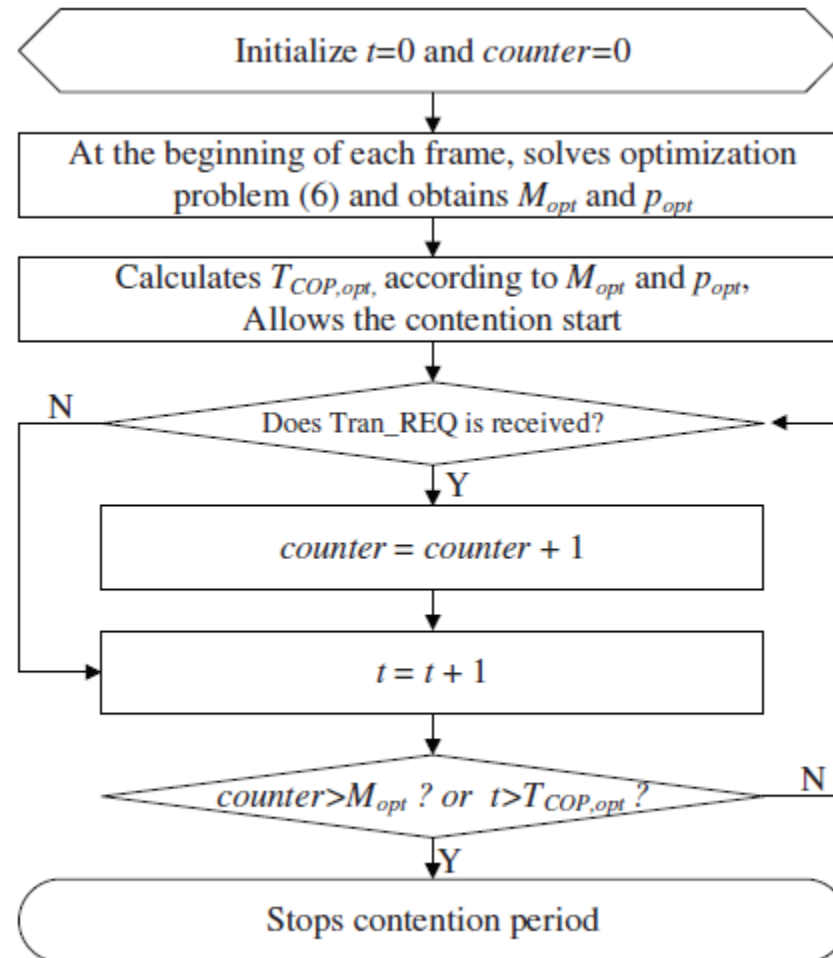
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# A Scalable Hybrid MAC Protocol For Massive M2M Networks.

$$\mathcal{T}_{COP}(M, p) = \sum_{i=1}^M \left\{ \frac{(1-p)^{L-i}}{(L-i)p(1-p)^{L-i-1}} \cdot \delta_{idle} + \left( \frac{1 - (1-p)^{L-i}}{(L-i)p(1-p)^{L-i-1}} - 1 \right) \cdot \delta_{coll} + \delta_{succ} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{M_{opt}, p_{opt}\} = & \max_{M, p} C_{total} = \max_{M, p} MRT_{tran} \\ s.t. & \mathcal{T}_{COP}(M, p) + MT_{tran} \leq T_{frame} \\ & 0 \leq p \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

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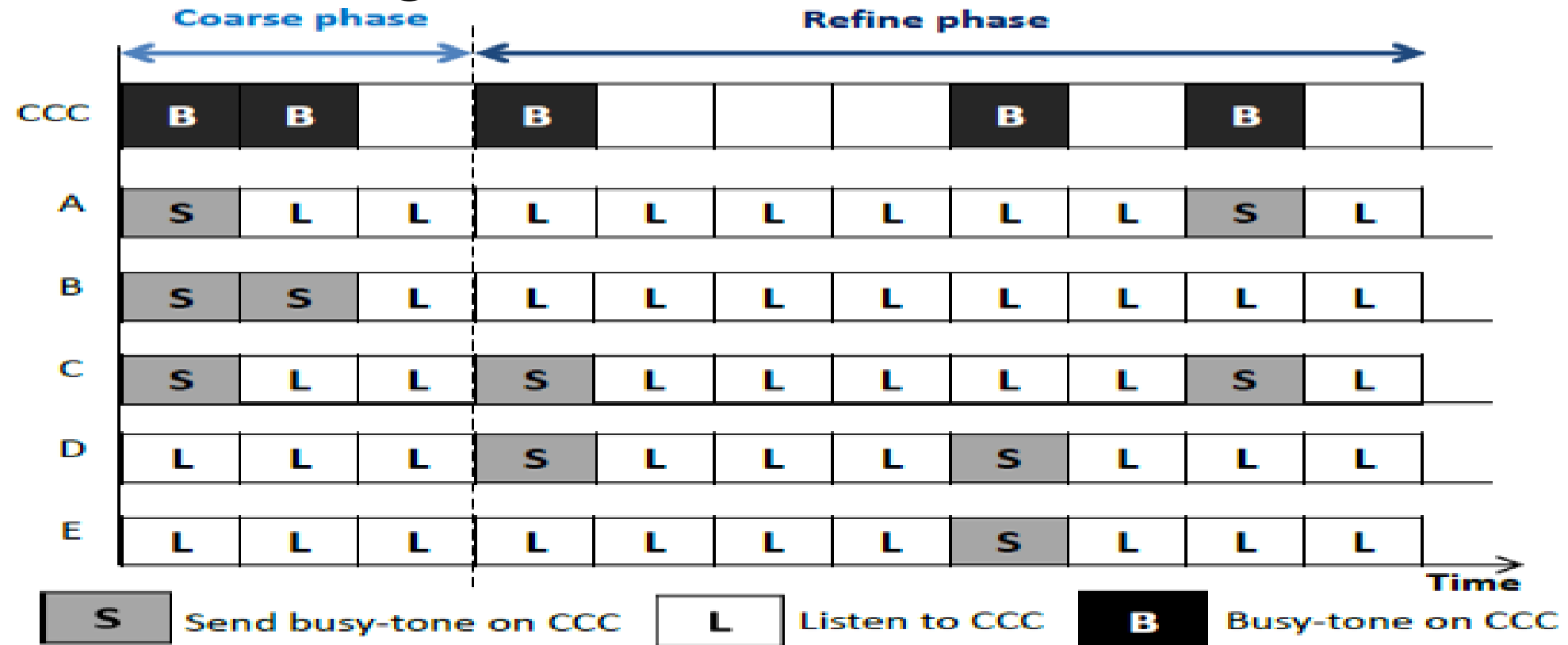


# An Adaptive Multichannel Protocol For Large Scale M2M Networks.

- Multichannel operation – Centralized or Distributed.
- Common Control Channel.(CCC Based Protocols).
- Dedicate control channel and Split-Phase Multichannel Protocol.
  - 1) Estimation Phase
  - 2) Negotiation Phase
  - 3) Data Transmission phase.
  - Impact of  $T_n$  and  $p$  over channel Utilization ( $U$ )

$$U = \frac{T_d}{T_n + T_d} \times \frac{N_{used}}{N};$$

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# An Adaptive Multichannel Protocol For Large Scale M2M Networks.

$$\hat{M} = \frac{\log(1 - B_r/L_r)}{\log(1 - p_b)}$$

$$p_{i,opt} = \arg \min_{p_i} \frac{T_{req} - T_{req}(1 - p_i)^i + 1}{i \times p_i(1 - p_i)^{i-1}},$$

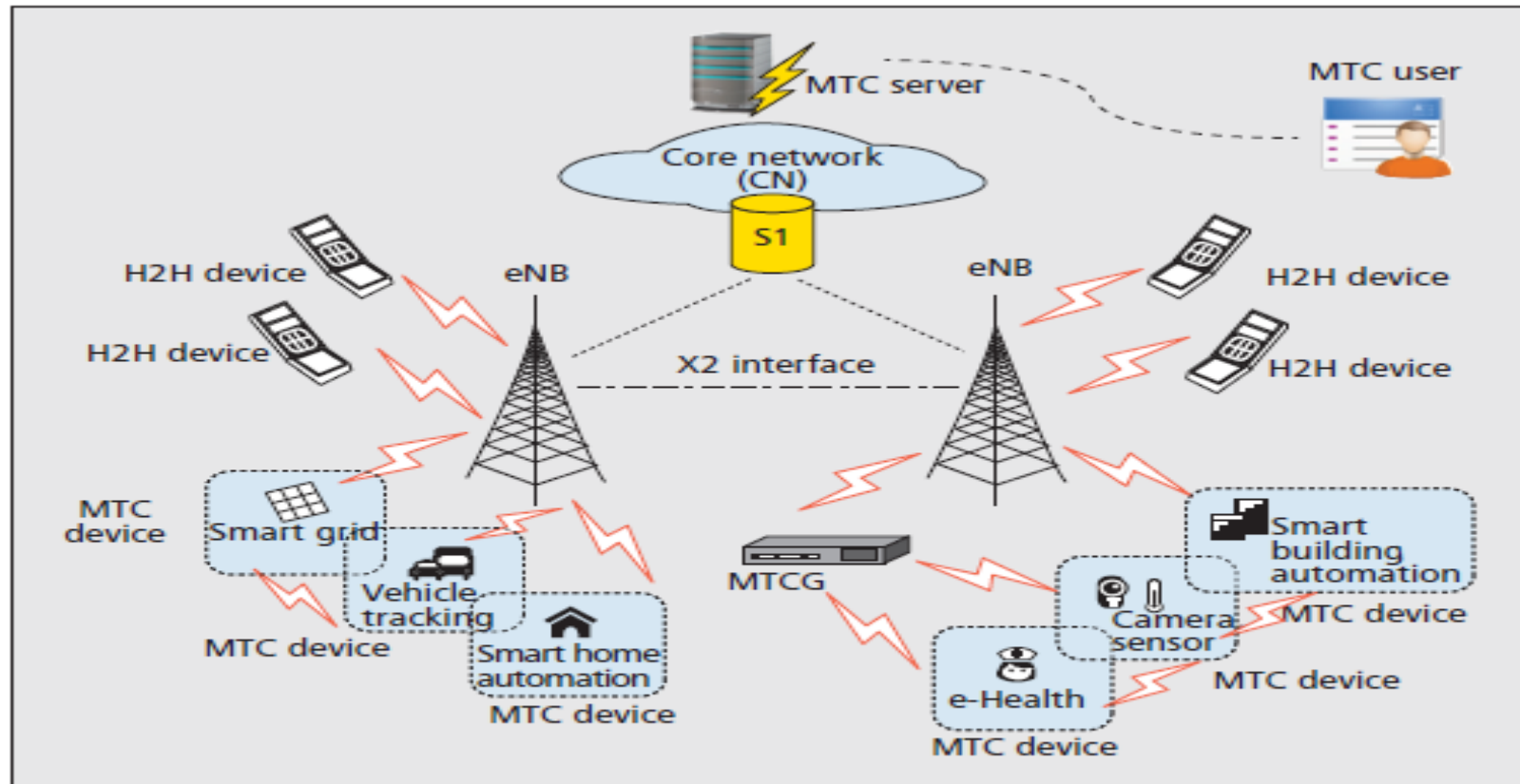
$$\begin{aligned} T_{n,M,opt} &= \arg \max_{T_n} E[U] \\ &= \arg \max_{T_n} \begin{cases} \frac{T_d}{T_n + T_d} \times \frac{E[m_{T_n}]/2}{N}, & \text{if } \frac{E[m_{T_n}]}{2} < N \\ \frac{T_d}{T_n + T_d}, & \text{if } \frac{E[m_{T_n}]}{2} \geq N \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

# Random Access For M2M Communications in LTE-A Networks.

- MTC and H2H perform RA using PRACH.
- Base Station Selection.
- MTC devices Contend for RBs using RAs with the help of Contention Resolution Method based on a Uniform Back-off Algorithm Scheme.
- MTC can connect using Wired or Wireless manner.(LTE-A,Wireless)

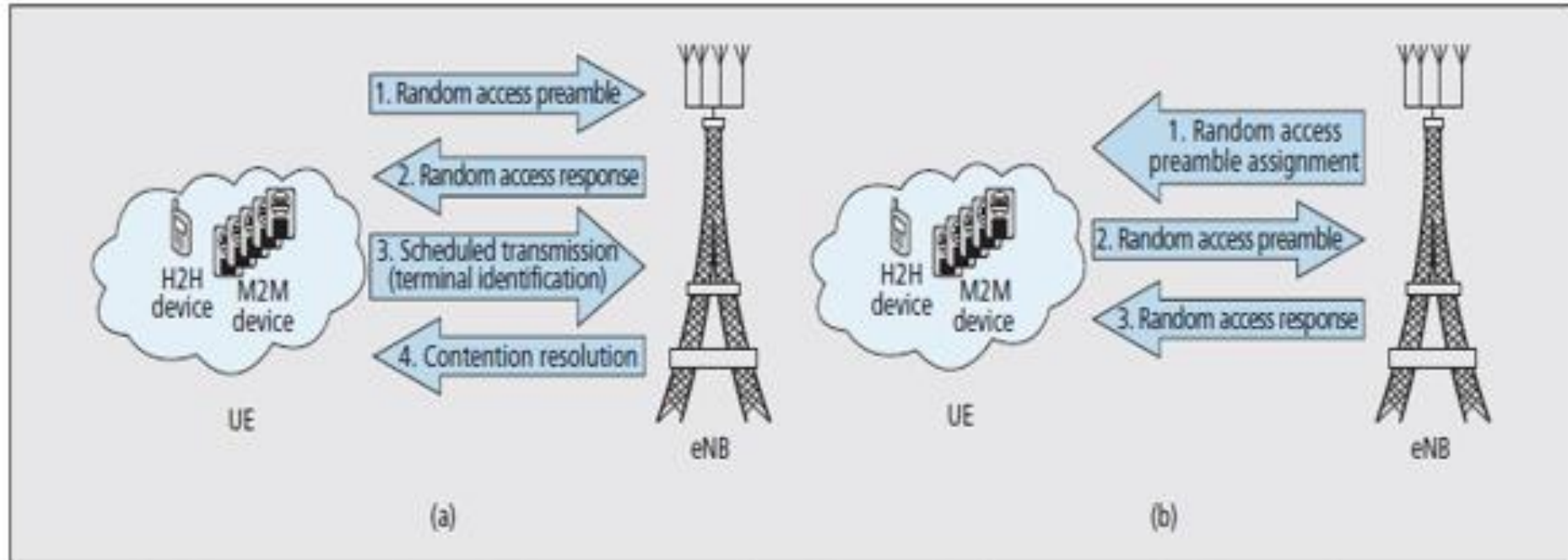


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*Random access procedures in LTE-A: a) contention-based RA procedure; b) contention-free RA procedure.*

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# Random Access For M2M Communications in LTE-A Networks.

- Challenges for RA based M2M Communications:
  1. PRACH Overload Control.
  2. Mode Selection and QoS Provisioning.
  3. Efficient Group Management.
  4. Opportunistic RA.

# Random Access For M2M Communications in LTE-A Networks.

- PRACH Overload Control Mechanism:
  1. Access Class Barring Scheme.
  2. PRACH Resource Separation Scheme.
  3. Slotted Access Scheme.
  4. Dynamic Allocation of RA Resources.
  5. Grouping or Clustering of MTC Devices.
  6. MTC-Specific Back-off Scheme.
  7. Pull-Based Scheme.

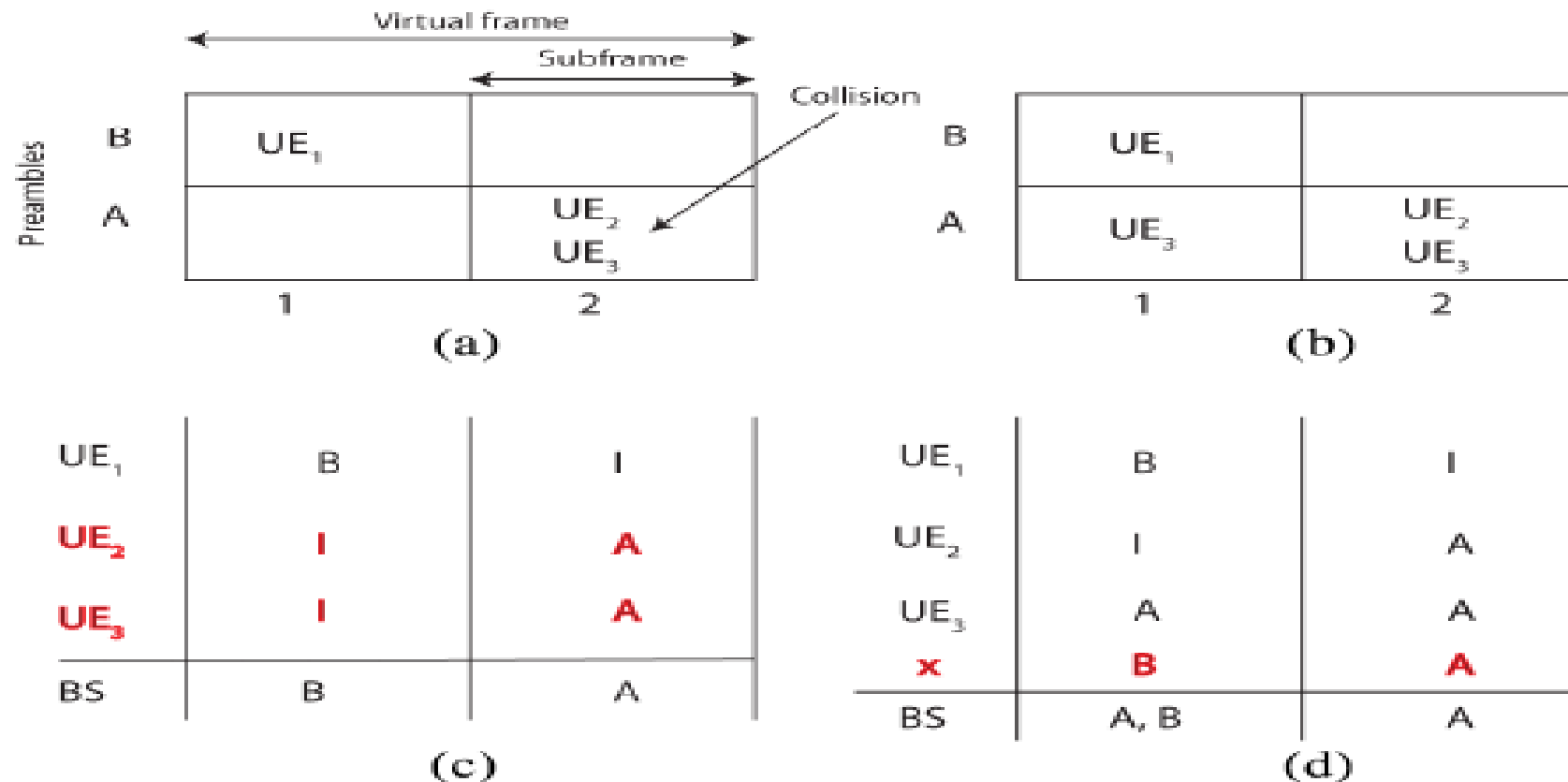
# Distributed Multichannel MAC Protocol for Multi-Hop Cognitive Radio Networks.

- Spectrum Sensing and Adapting to fill White Holes.
- Difficulties: Hidden Terminal Problem.
- Solution: Co-operative Spectrum Sensing.
- Two types of MACs for CRs : SMAC and MMAC.
- Two Types of MMACs : SRV and MRV.
- SRV divided in to 3 classes: CCCH, Common Hopping and Split-Phase approach.
- Low Power Inaccurate Scan and High Power Accurate Scan.
- OR , AND or OPTIMAL FUSION rule.

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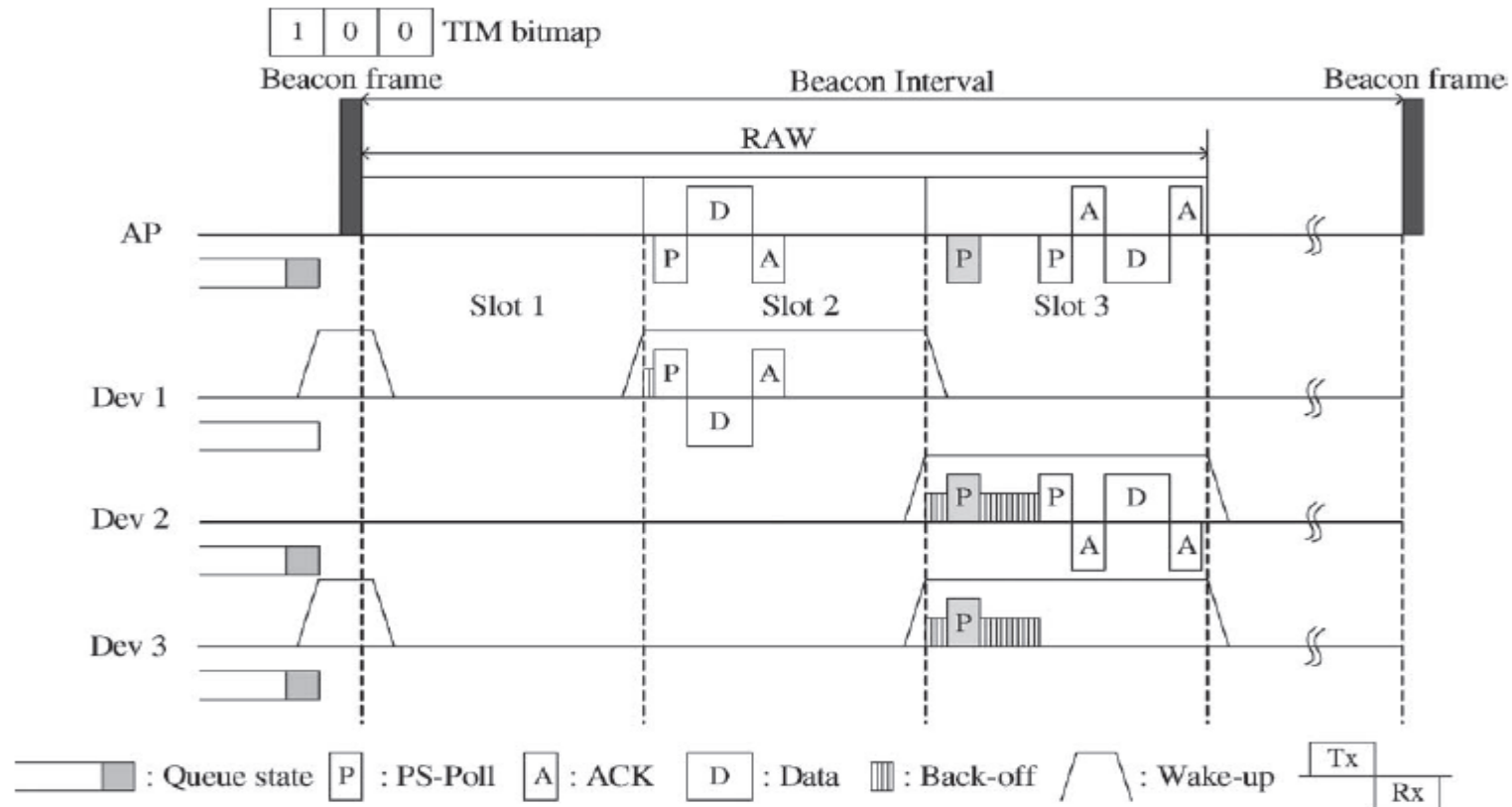
- Software Defined Radios (SDRs):
  - Communication and Sensing Done in Parallel.
  - AFE and DFE.
  - Fast Sensing and Fine Sensing.
- CRs using CCC has advantages:
  - Reduces Overhead.
  - Ease of Deployment.
  - Broadcasting can be done with great efficiency.
  - Allows Distributed Sensing.
- Each CR has two Data Structures: SIP vector and SCL vector.

# Code Expanded Random Access (CERA)



Ref: N. K. Pratas et. al. "Code expanded random access for machine-type communications"

# Enhancement of IEEE 802.11ah for M2M Communications



An operation example of IEEE 802.11ah MAC protocol.



# Standards For M2M Communications

1. 3GPP
2. ETSI
3. GSMA
4. IEEE
5. Wi-MAX Forum
6. WFA
7. OMA
8. TTA
9. CCSA NITS

# Future Research

- 1. Growing Network Sizes and Scalability.
- 2. Quality of Service Support.
- 3. M2M Traffic Characteristics.
- 4. Extremely Low Power Operation.

# Conclusion