



# “PROXIMITY SERVICE EVALUATION & EXTENSIONS” IMPROVING BROADBAND DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS

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## Description/ key features

- Satisfying current and future direct communications requirements for First Responders

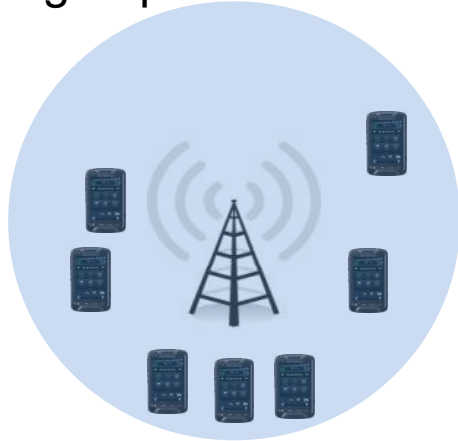
## Key success factors

- Matching or exceeding the reliability and coverage of existing LMR direct communication capabilities
- Enabling new services with ease of use, continuity across network domains, and data services

## Market

- Direct communication is required for all public safety communication systems
- ProSe is the only broadband direct communication standard designed to address this requirement
- The size of the public safety market has limited enabling hardware (chip sets)

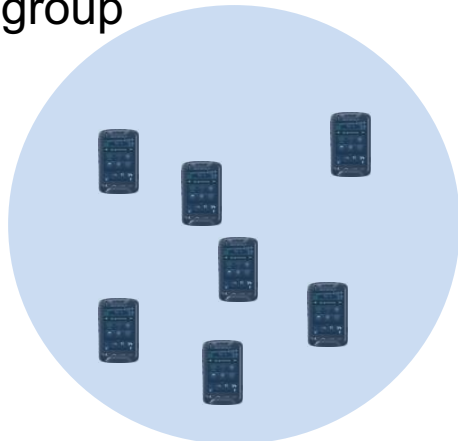
Network group



## Network communications provides:

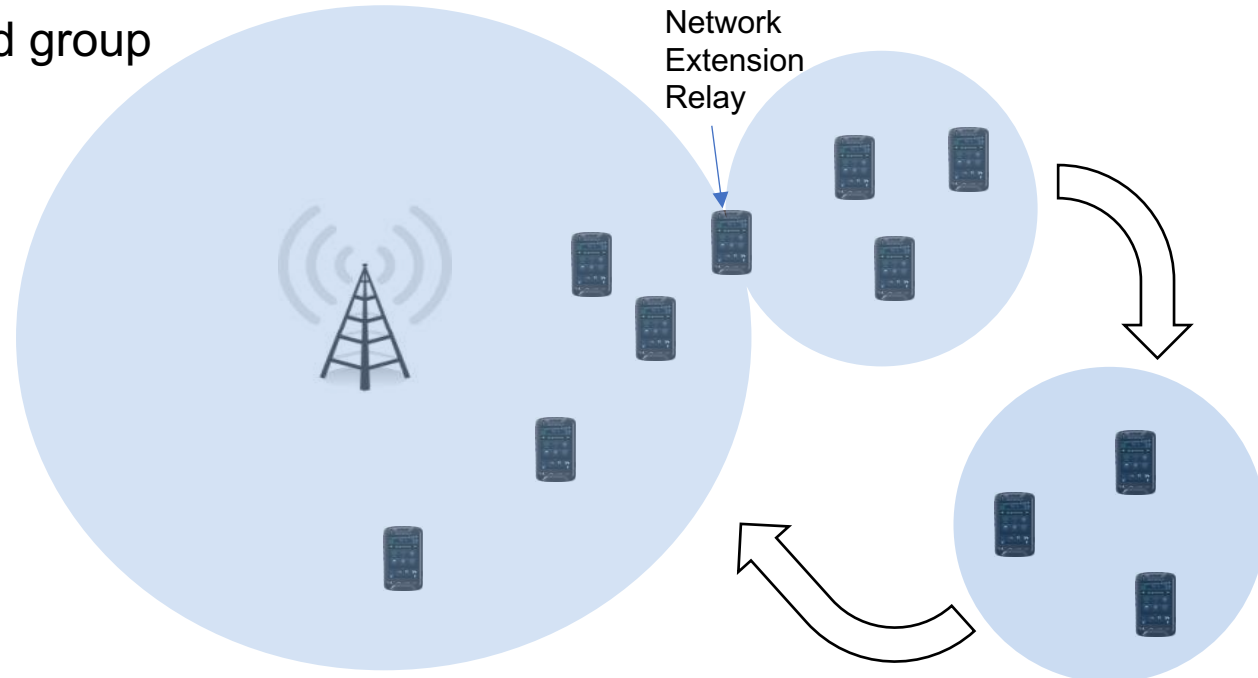
- Greater efficiency
- Less congestion limitations
- Connections for
  - Reporting chain monitoring
  - Evidentiary recording

Direct group



Not efficient in good network coverage

Hybrid group



Groups can fragment and reconnect

# The direct communications use cases

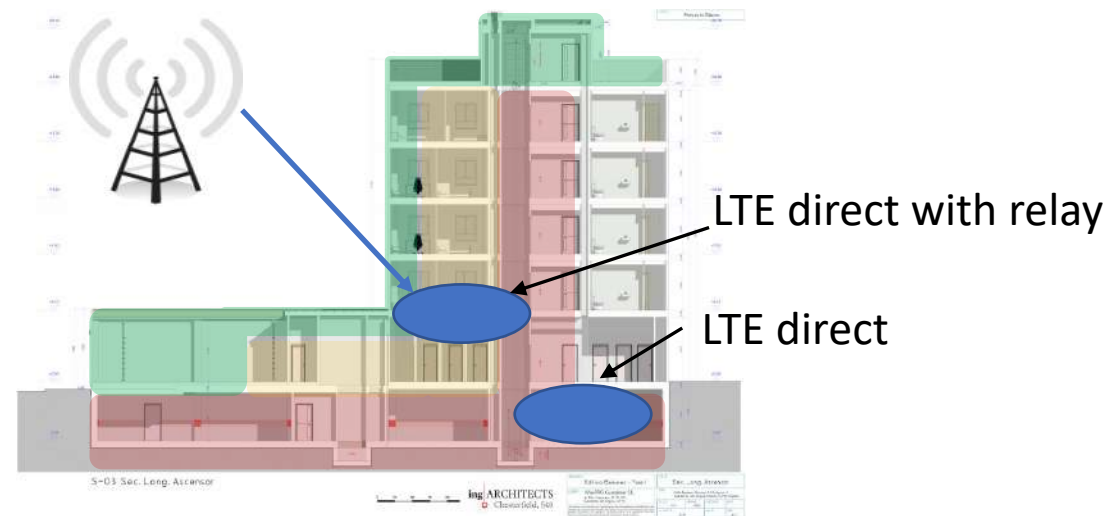


## Close communication in hostile situations

- SWAT/ Building fires

## No macro network

- Local macro network down
- In-building
- Remote locations: public safety/ wild fire
- Immediate geography: gulley/ obstructions: buildings



## ProSe

R11 High Power UE for B14: March 2013

R12 Study/ Initial ProSe: March 2015

R13 eProSe: March 2016

R14/15 FeProSe: Limited work June 2017 / Sept 2018

Limited market for public safety only features

## V2X

R13 V2X March 2016

Feasibility study based on ProSe

R14 V2X June 2017

Sept 2016 RAN announces initial spec  
 Sept 2017 Qualcomm announces trials (9150)  
 High power devices allowed for the service

Release 15 5G September 2018

Multi-carrier aggregation/ 64 QAM / power Class 2/ extended sensors  
 Support for: platooning, advance driving, remote driving

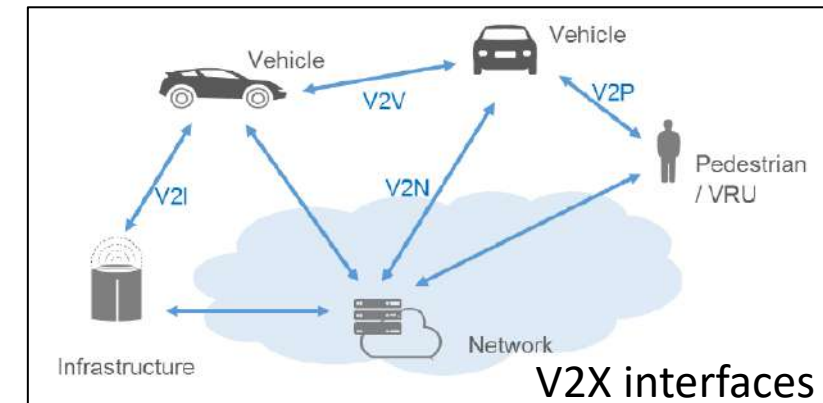
R16 V2X March 2020

Higher throughput, sensor sharing, trajectory sharing

## 'Direct Comms'

R17 Direct communications: TBD

Study on system enhancement for proximity based services in 5GS  
**Direct services have commercial and public safety elements**



Source: 3GPP

“it was noted that solutions defined for V2X can also be used for public safety when the service requirement can be met.”

Designed to address public safety off network requirement

Designed to address direct inter-vehicle communications

Distributed sync

Uses GNSS for synchronization when available

Network Relay supported

Proposed relay support

Band agnostic

Designed for V2X bands; but extensible

Limited 3GPP support for separate PS std.

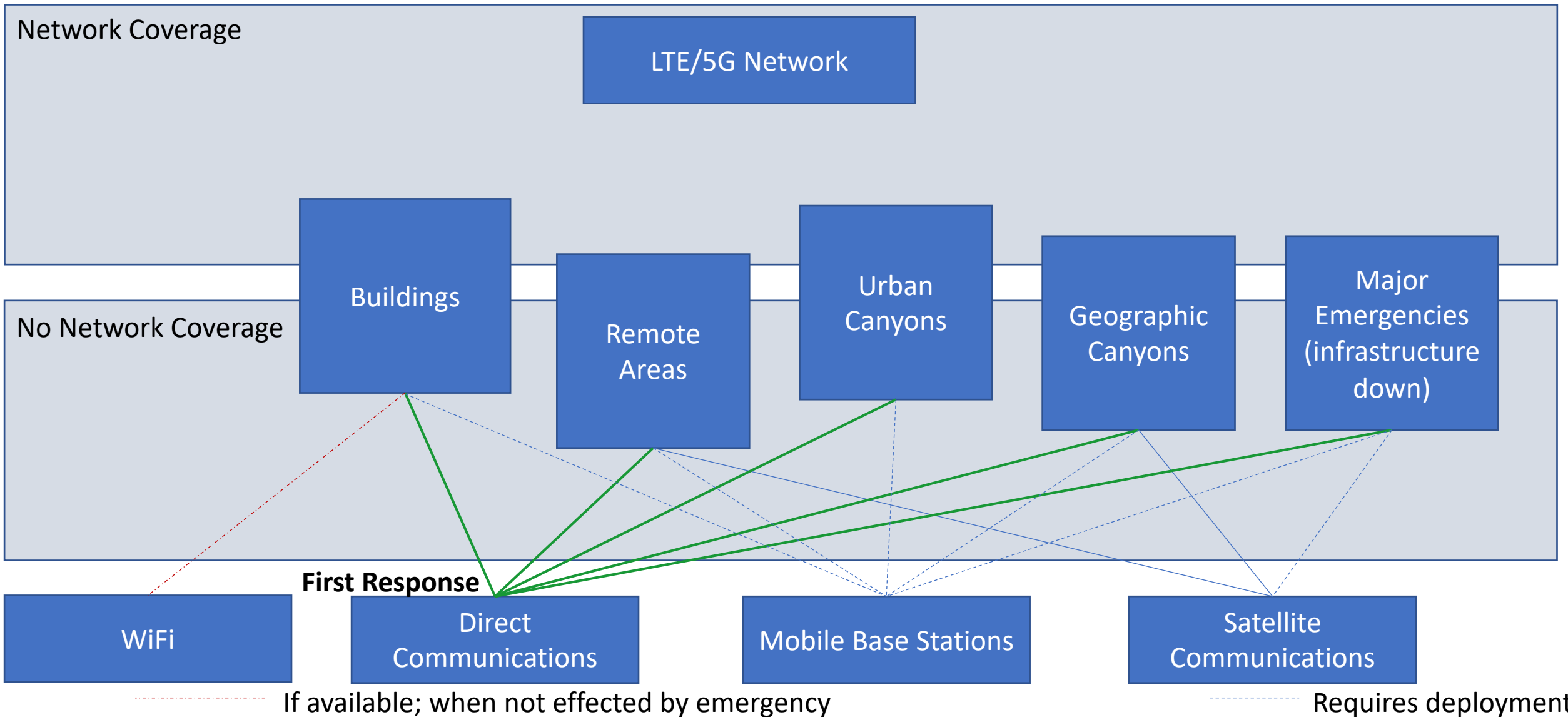
Extensive standards development  
• Could include PS requirements

Common waveform: PC5

V2X enhancements

- Improved congestion control
- Lower latency
- Improved selective fading performance
- Support for rapidly moving vehicles (radios)
- Larger capacity with 5G

# Communication methods in challenging environments





## Comparable communications range to P25

- Mixed environments
- Inbuilding – high RF losses
- Remote communications - clear line of site – large signal latencies



“In these situations the employed radios need to work under a potentially very large path loss, yet still provide prompt delivery of media. Both network mediated and direct device to device communications are envisioned.” TS-22.186

# Line of sight propagation – direct communications

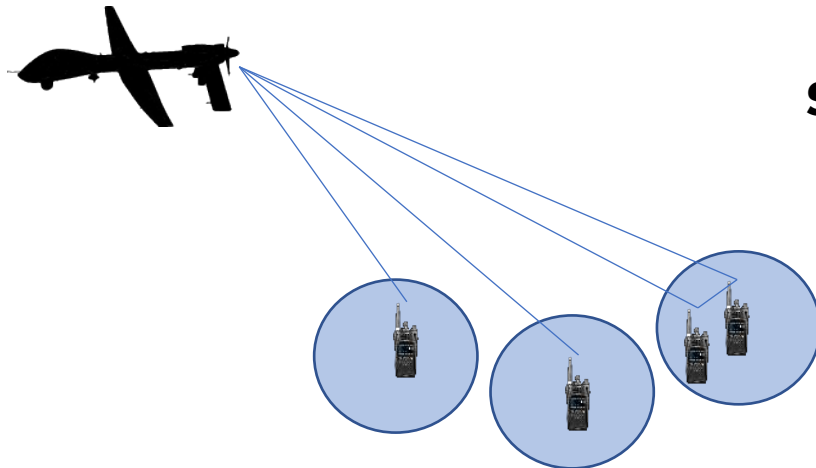
## 3GPP standards work has focused on short ranges

- Synchronization search windows limit range, but save battery life
- Default configurations limit range of protocol: e.g. cyclic prefix
- V2X importance is inversely proportional to distance

P25 searches for signals continuously; range is limited by signal loss

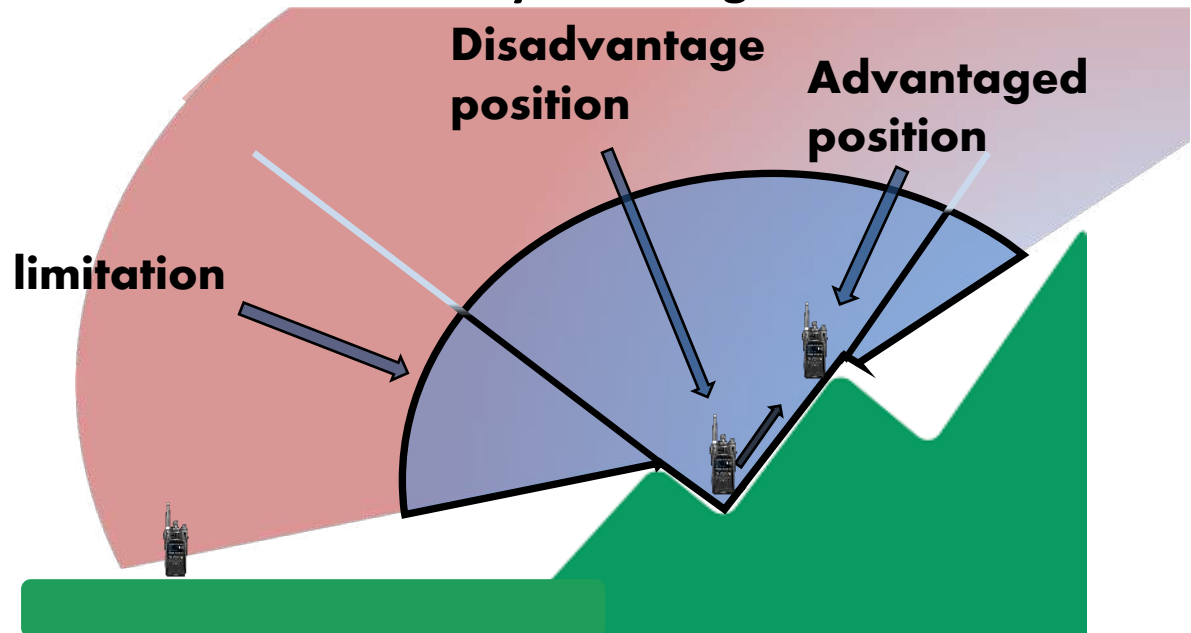
## Public safety uses can be longer range

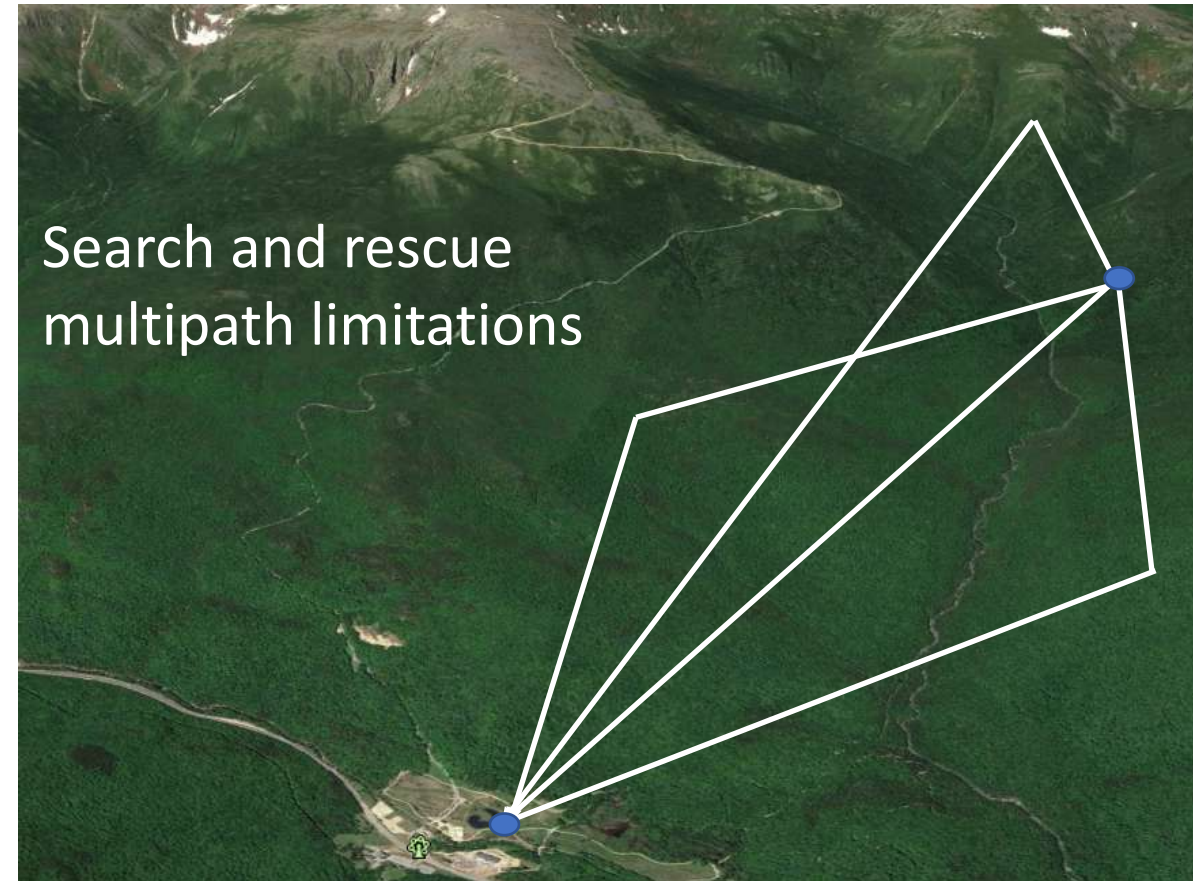
Communication by UAV (advantaged aerial location)  
(relay)



Communication by advantaged terrestrial location

Signal search limitation

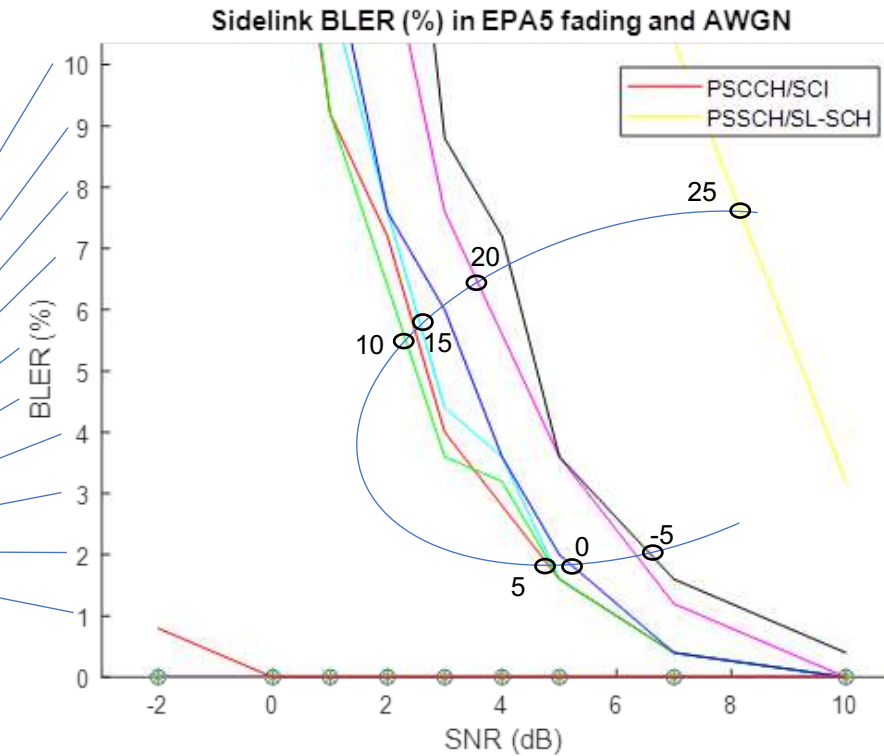
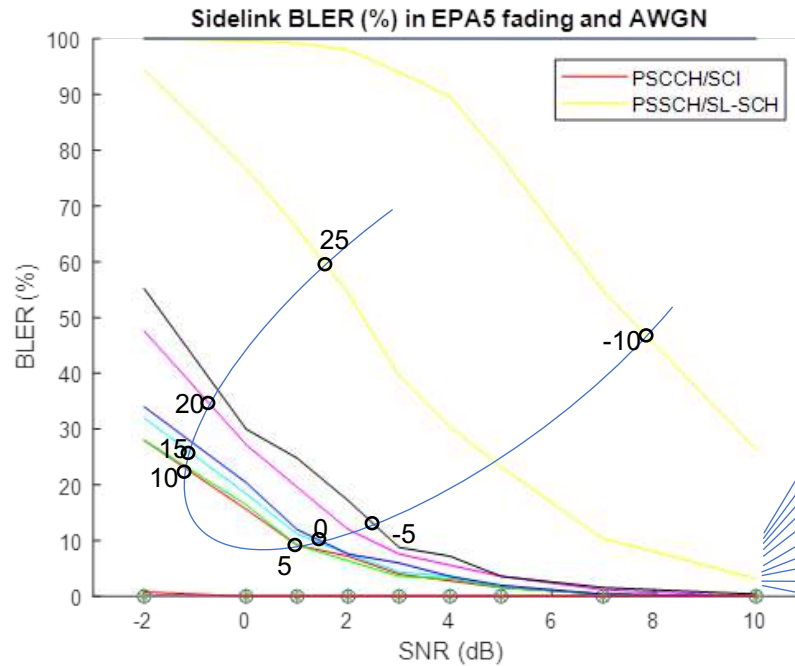




## ProSe/ V2X have range limitations

- Multipath - protocol
- Distance – implementation/ protocol

# BLER as a function of synchronization error & multipath



Receiver performance degrades with time offset

- Standard cyclical prefix
- ~40 samples per mile
- Best performance ~ 3/8 mile with EPA5 fading

Mitigation

- Extended multipath tolerance: not supported in V2X
- Continuously scanning receivers: may not be defined by standards

**Currently no relay support**

**No discovery**

**Communications range**

- **Support for isolated worker**
- **Advantaged locations**
  - Aerial vehicles
  - Terrestrial

Communication scenario description		Req #	Payload (Bytes)	Tx rate (Message /Sec)	Max end-to-end latency (ms)	Reliability (%)	Data rate (Mbps)	Min required communication range (meters)
Scenario	Degree							
Sensor information sharing between UEs supporting V2X application	Lower degree of automation	[R.5.4-001]	1600	10	100	99		1000
	Higher degree of automation	[R.5.4-002]			10	95	25 (NOTE 1)	
		[R.5.4-003]			3	99.999	50	200
		[R.5.4-004]			10	99.99	25	500
		[R.5.4-005]			50	99	10	1000
		[R.5.4-006] (NOTE 2)			10	99.99	1000	50
Video sharing between UEs supporting V2X application	Lower degree of automation	[R.5.4-007]			50	90	10	100
	Higher degree of automation	[R.5.4-008]			10	99.99	700	200
		[R.5.4-009]			10	99.99	90	400

**NOTE 1: This is peak data rate.**

**NOTE 2: This is for imminent collision scenario.**

3GPP TS 22.186

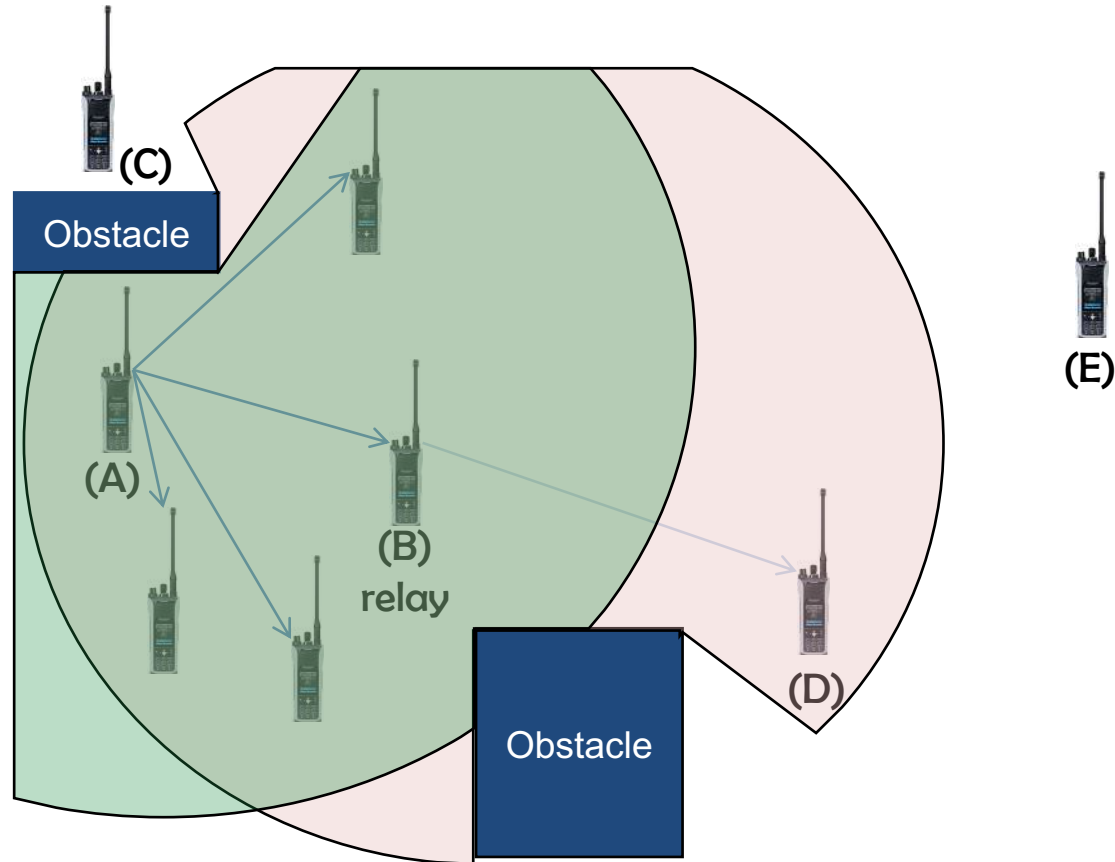
Fire fighters in building may use direct comms

Potential relays should:

- Provide automatic operation
- Monitor for relay requests
- Coordinate with other proximate relays
  - Multiple relays may be active
  - Minimize and mitigate harmful interference
- Maximize relayed coverage
  - In-building
  - Remote location extension



- Relay capable equipment



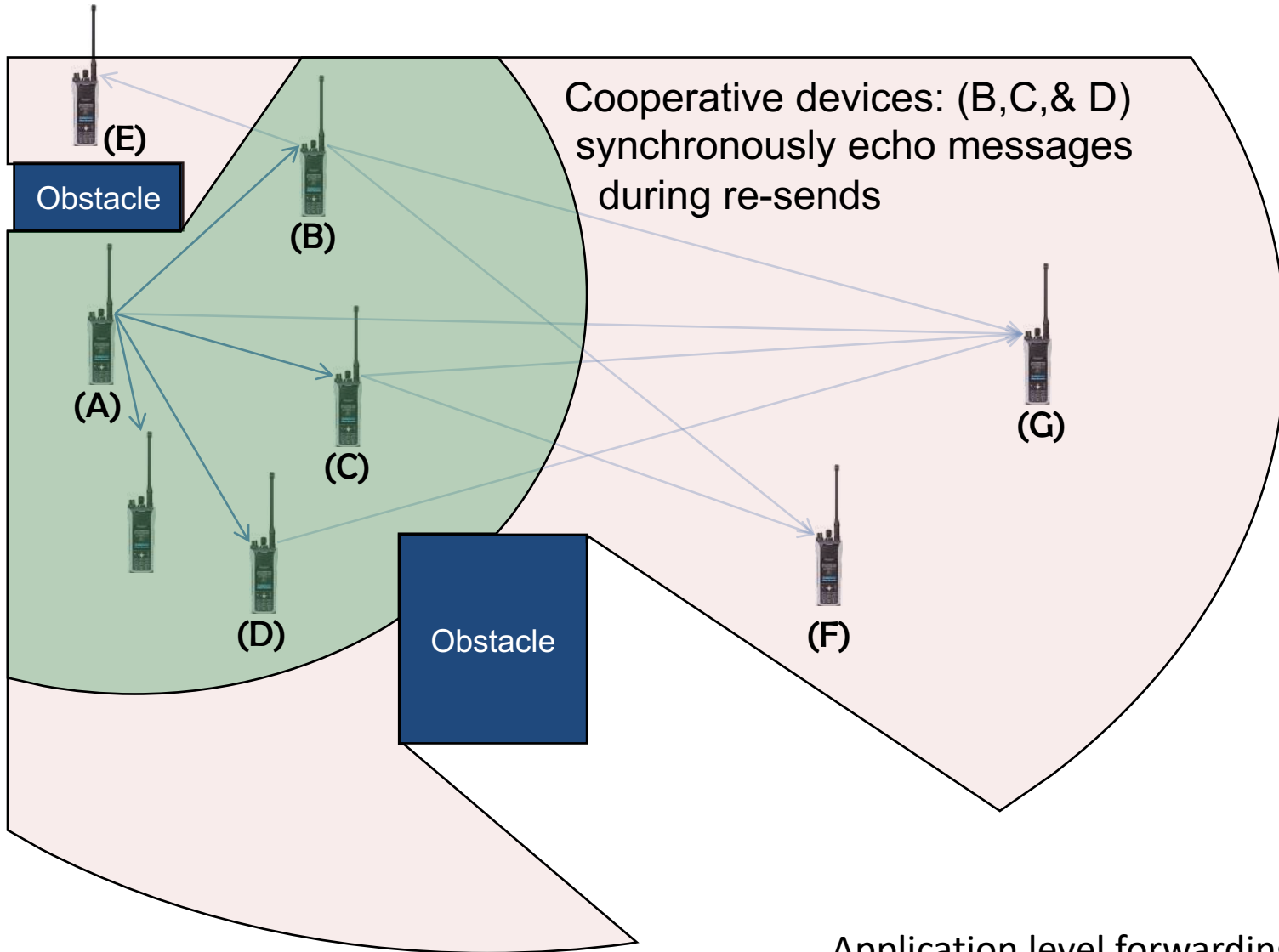
## Benefits

- Extended range
- Reduces obstruction effects
- Improve delivery reliability

## Disadvantages

- Twice as many radio resources
- Quasi-static deployment
- MIMO capabilities not fully utilized

# Cooperative communication (example)



## Benefits

- Higher effective transmitter power
- Diversity:  $M \times 2$
- Dynamic cooperative communications
- Improves communication with obstructions

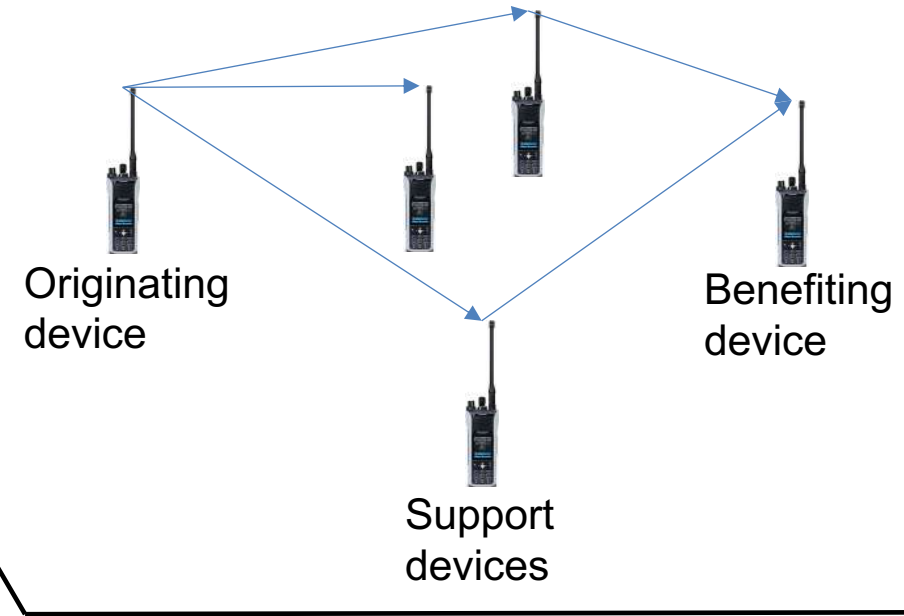
## Challenges

- Managing congestion with many groups

Application level forwarding or lower level coverage enhancement



## Each device acts independently



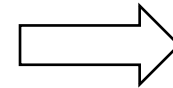
- Configuration
  - System policy
  - Local policy



- Priority
  - Protocol
  - Application



- Radio Metrics
  - Signal quality
  - Signal loading



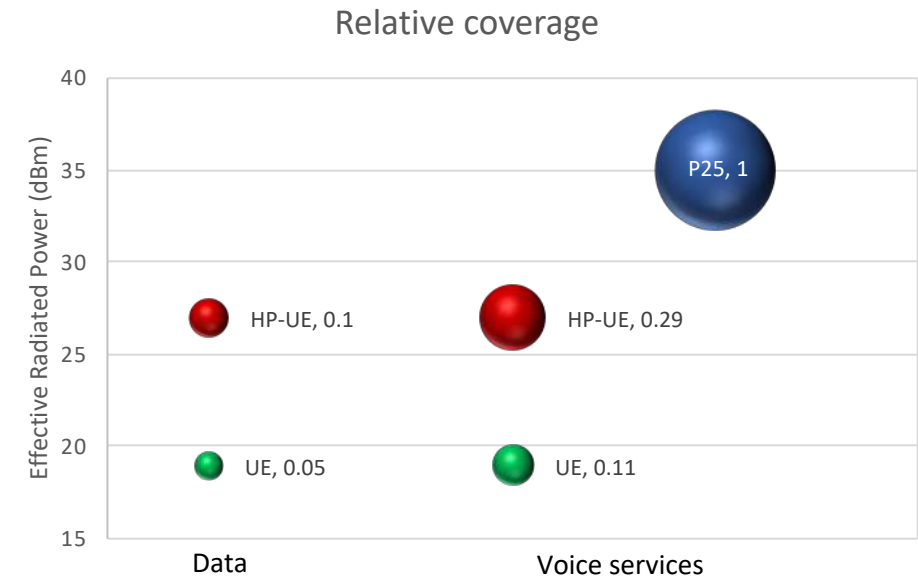
Transmission Support Decision

## Basis for coverage comparison between P25 and ProSe



- Represents best case scenario
- Coverage decreases with increasing throughput for data services

	P25 Portable	Portable	HP-UE Portable
Nominal Tx Power	35	23	31
MIMO	1x1	1x2	1x2
Rx Effective IF Bandwidth (kHz)	6	360	360
Rx Noise Figure (dB)	6	7	7
Faded Performance Threshold DAQ3.4 (dB)	17.7	-2.2	-2.2
Maximum RF Coupling Loss (dB)	147.5	136.6	144.6
Antenna Efficiency. (dB)	0	-4	-4
Maximum Link Loss	147.5	128.6	136.6
Radial Coverage Relative	1.00	0.34	0.53
Area Coverage Relative	1.00	0.11	0.29

Internal antenna



## Staying within the standards

- **High power UE (standardized for band 14 & others)**
- **High efficiency antennas**  VS. 
  - Integrated antennas generally have much lower efficiencies
- **Singular transmission schemes in time (configuration)**
  - For example: single service per ProSe period (40 msec.)
  - Counter example: Video, Text, and Voice as separate physical packets
- **Lower rate voice CODECs**
  - For example: P25; maybe required for end to end encryption
  - Or negotiated by a device in limited coverage

## Push the standards forward

- **Linking PS requirements to other verticals**
- **Extended coverage range**
  - Rural & in-building

**LMR/ proprietary for direct voice communications**

**When available ProSe/ V2x for direct services at closer range**

**Broadband for network communications**



**Carry direct and broadband devices**

**Carry device with integrated capabilities**



**Field qualified broadband direct solution**

Integrated device  
P25 network/direct



Separate devices  
P25 network/direct



Direct mode sleeve  
Proprietary airlink





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