

CSE610 Special Topics on Mobile Network & Mobile Sensing

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Lec04 Wireless Localization and Sensing



Wireless Localization

The process of obtaining a human or object's location using wireless signals

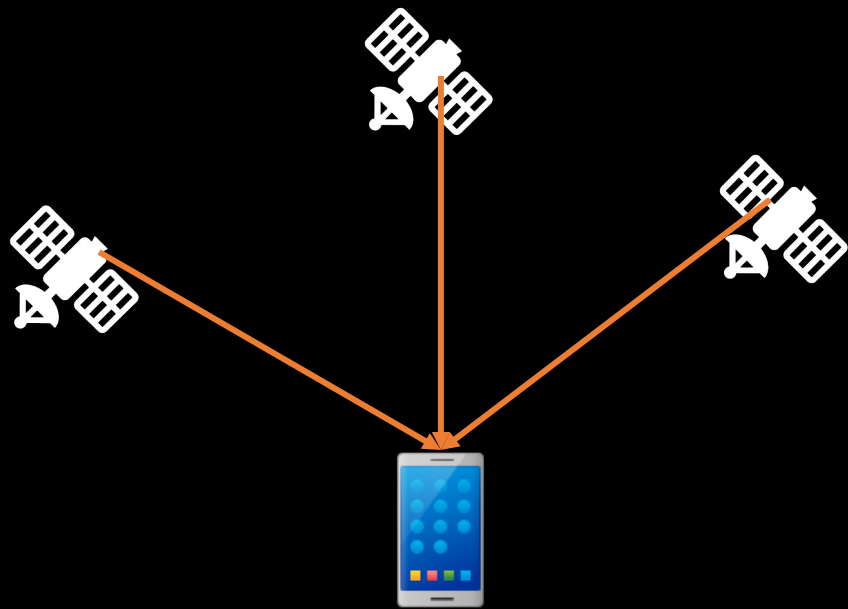
Applications:

- Navigation: outdoors (GPS) and indoors (e.g., museum)
- Location based services: Tagging, Reminder, Ads
- Virtual Reality and Motion Capture
- Gestures, writing in the air
- Behavioral Analytics (Health, activities, etc.)
- Locating misplaced items (keys)
- Location based security
- Delivery drones

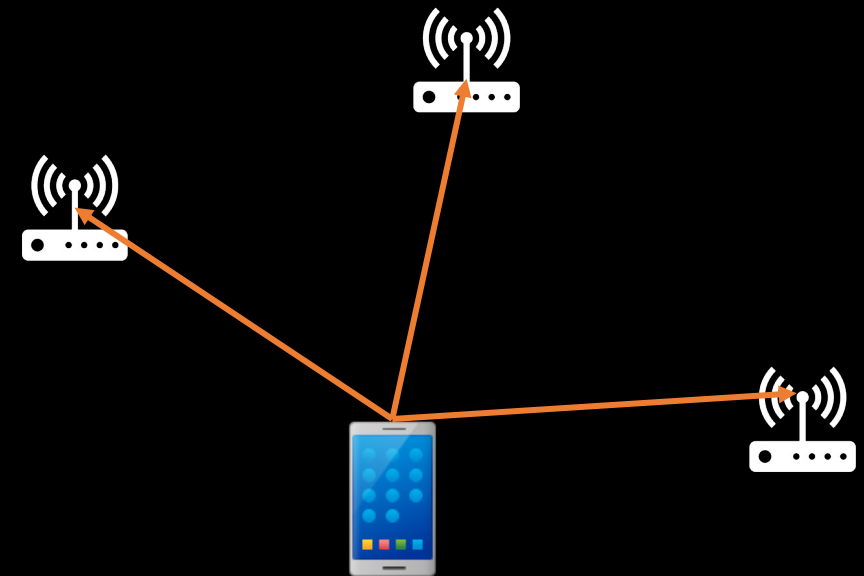


Wireless Localization System Architecture

Device based: a device leverages incoming signals from multiple "anchors" (Satellites) to determine its own location

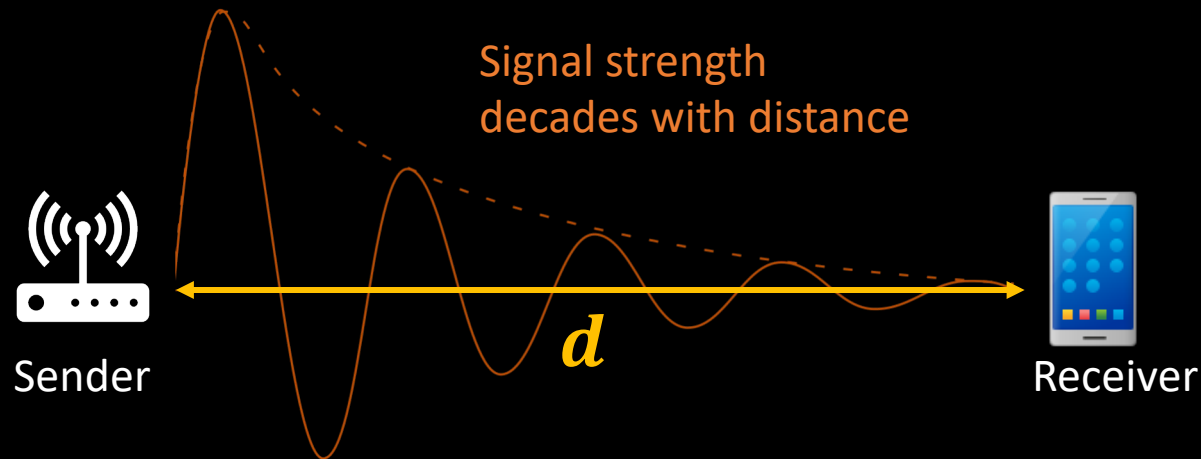


Network based: Networked "anchors" (Access Points) leverages signal emitted by the mobile device to determine its location



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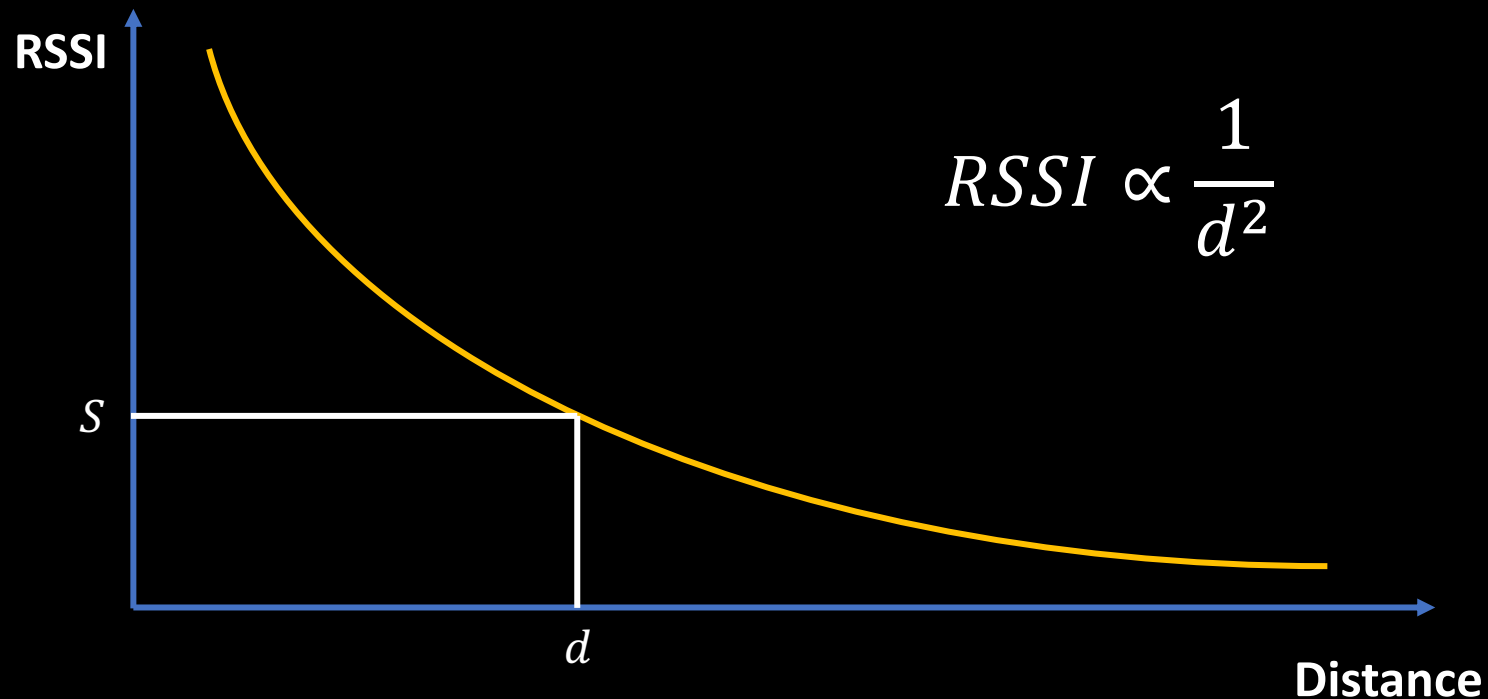


$$P_{rx} = G_{tx} G_{rx} \frac{\lambda^2}{(4\pi d)^2} P_{tx} \quad \longrightarrow \quad RSSI \propto \frac{1}{d^2}$$

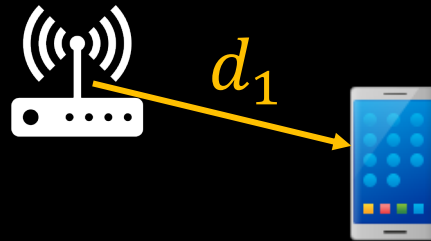
Leverage RSSI to estimate the distance

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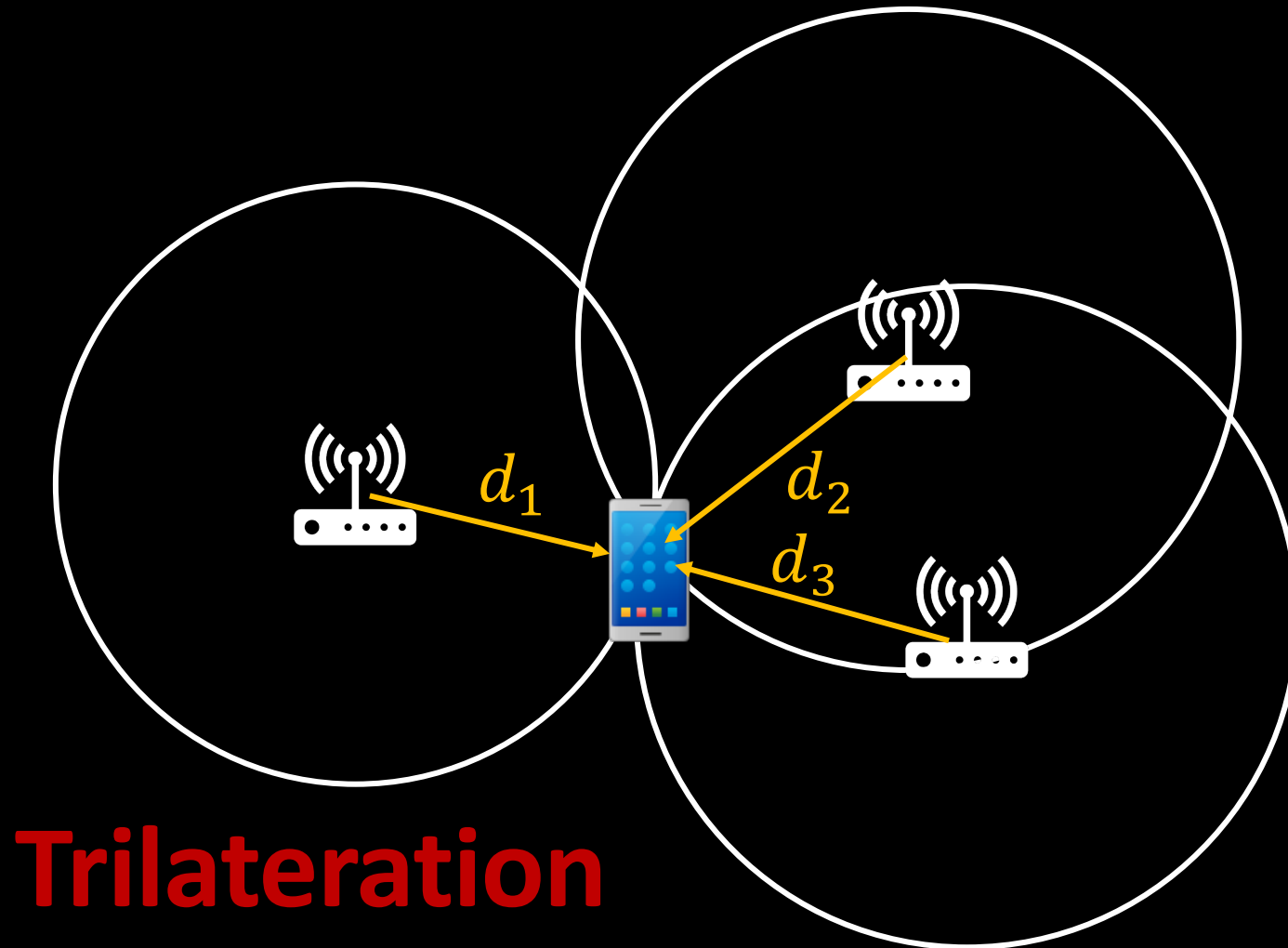
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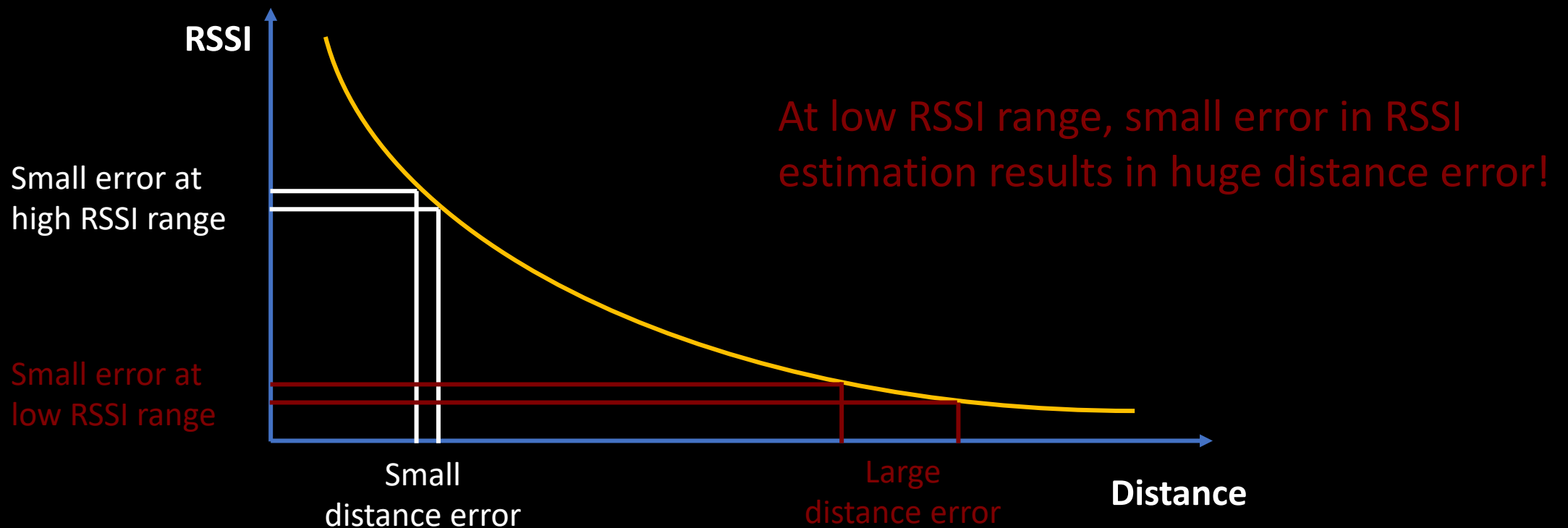
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Indoor navigation

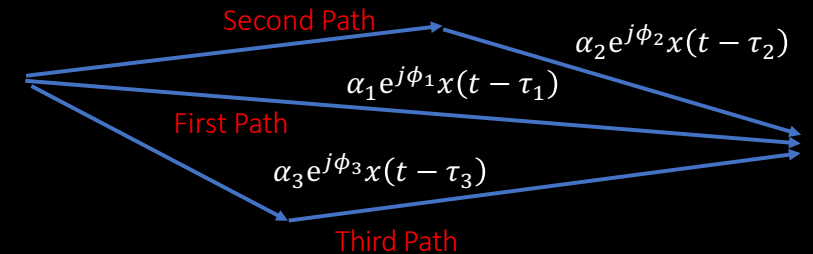
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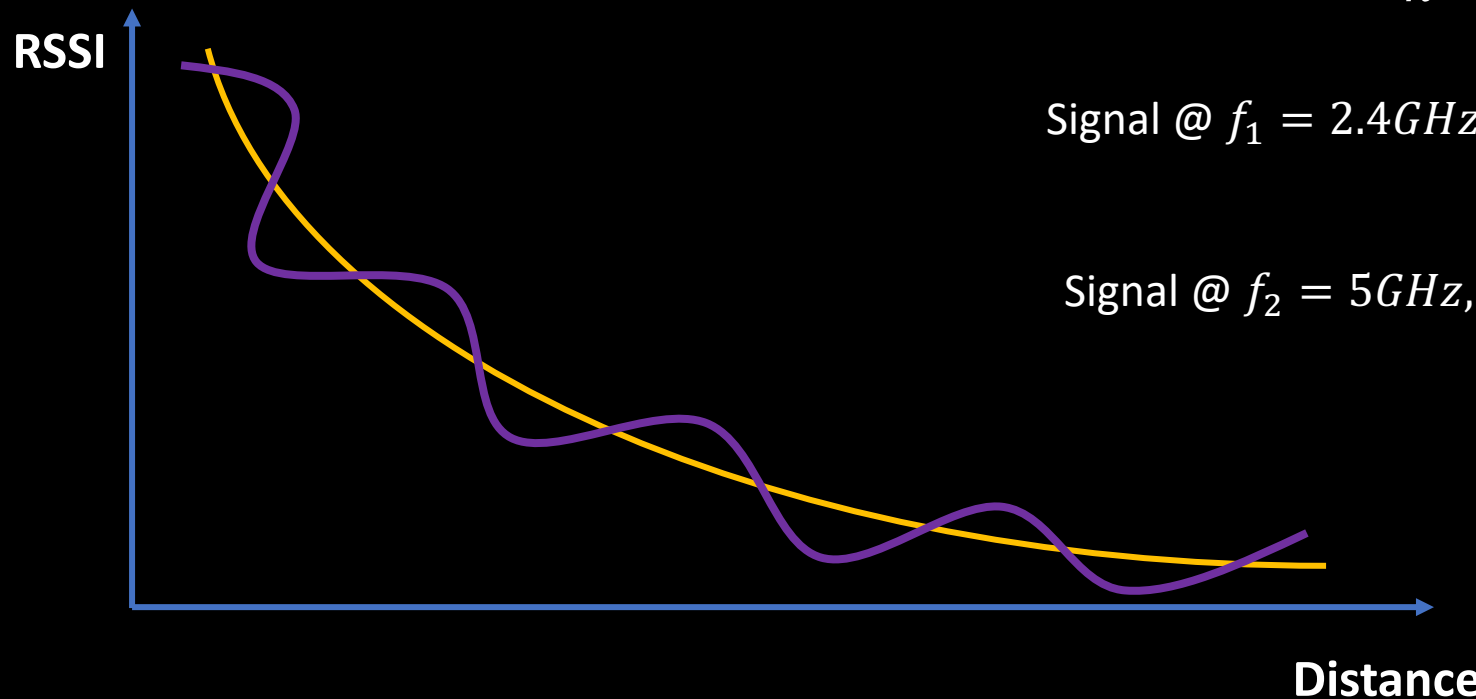
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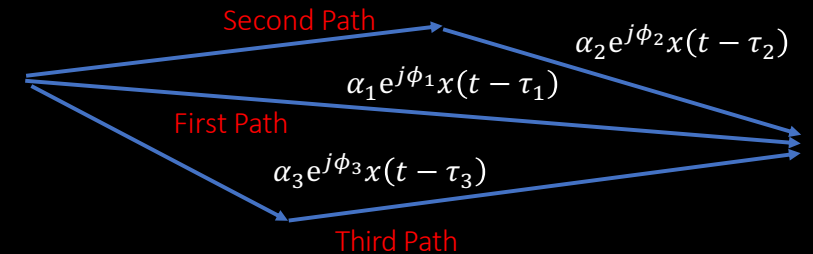
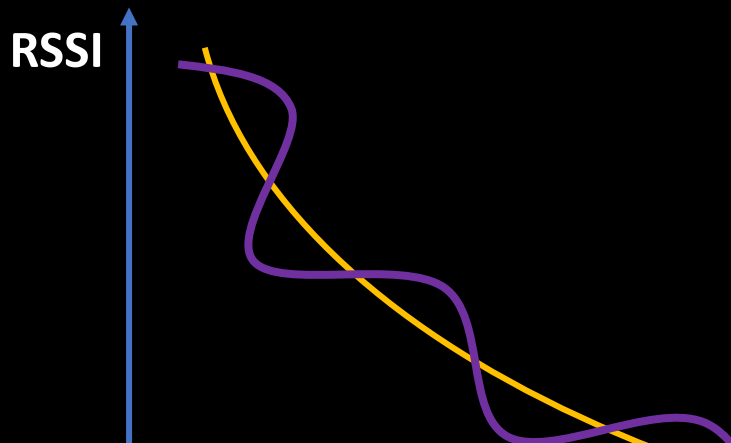
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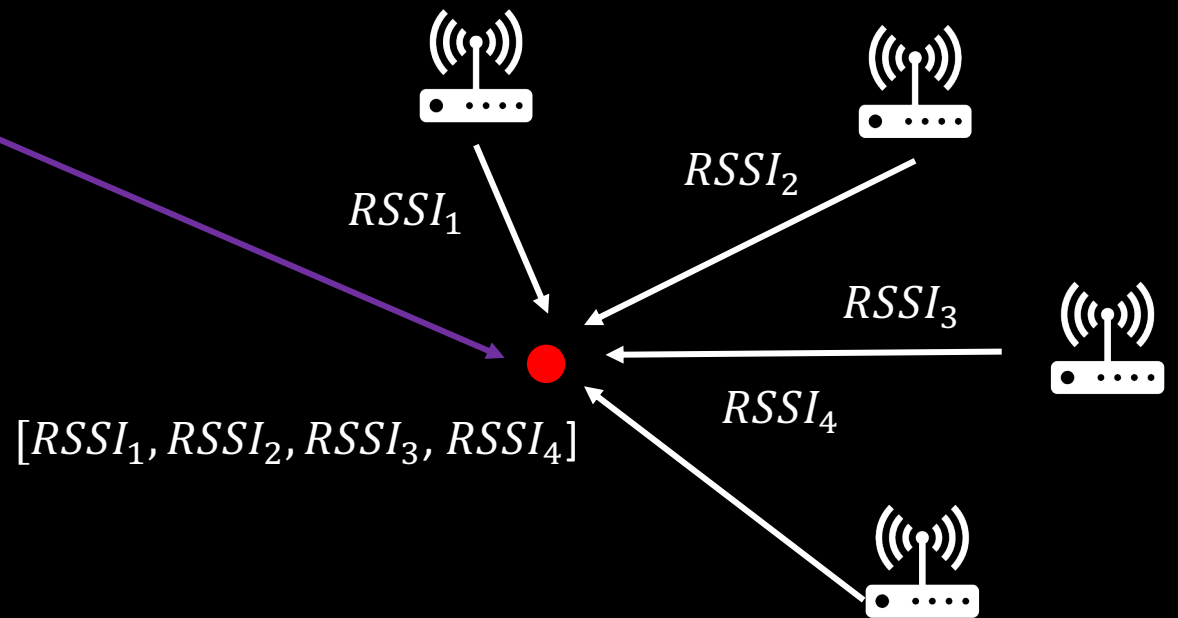
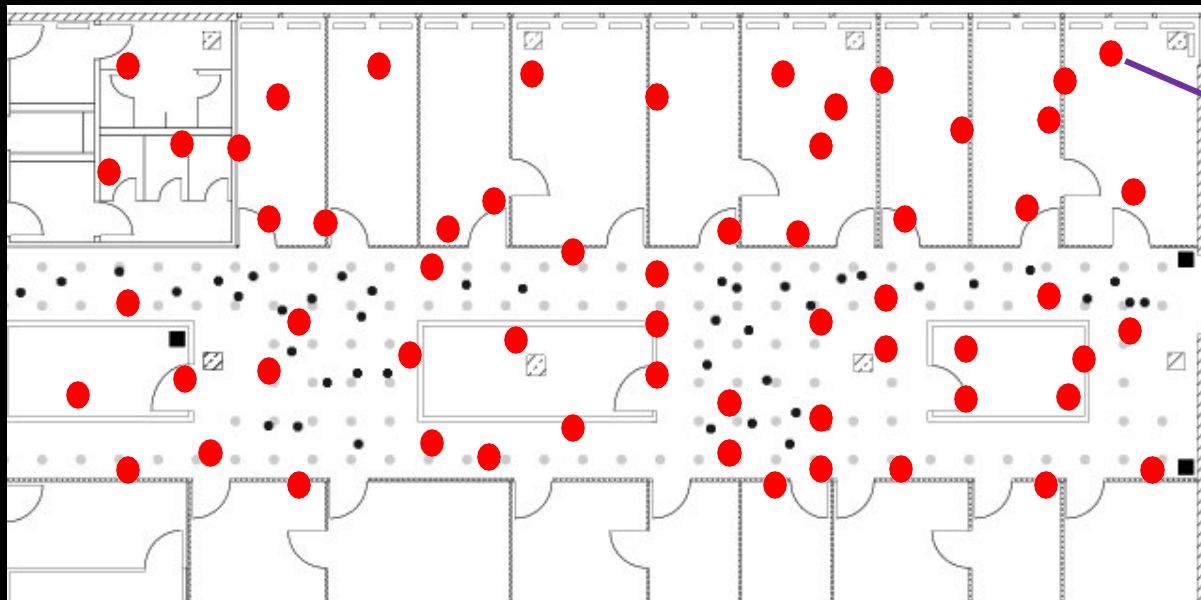
Any solutions?

Distance

Method 1: RSSI based localization

Solution: Fingerprinting

Measure and record RSSI at each location (war-driving)



- **Pros:** Works with multipath, no need to know AP locations
- **Cons:** Changes in environment/movement → Changes in RSSI
Continuously update the fingerprint database! Significant maintenance effort

Method 2: AoA based solution

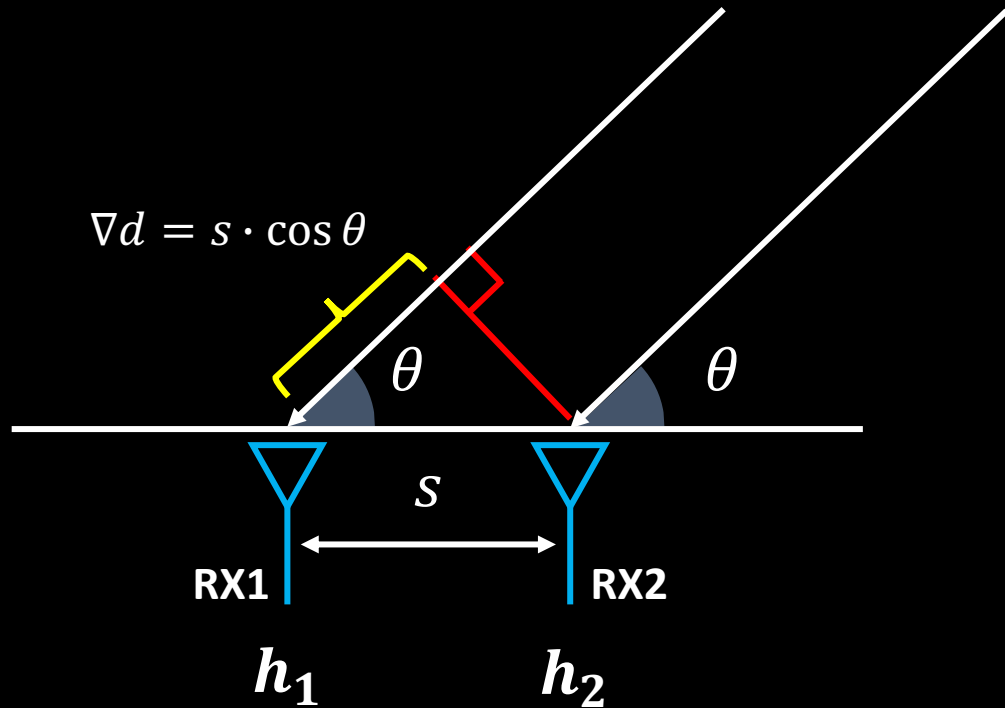
AoA: angle of arrival



Triangulation

Method 2: AoA based solution

Estimating the AoA



$$h \propto \frac{\lambda}{d} e^{j2\pi \frac{d}{\lambda}}$$

Phase

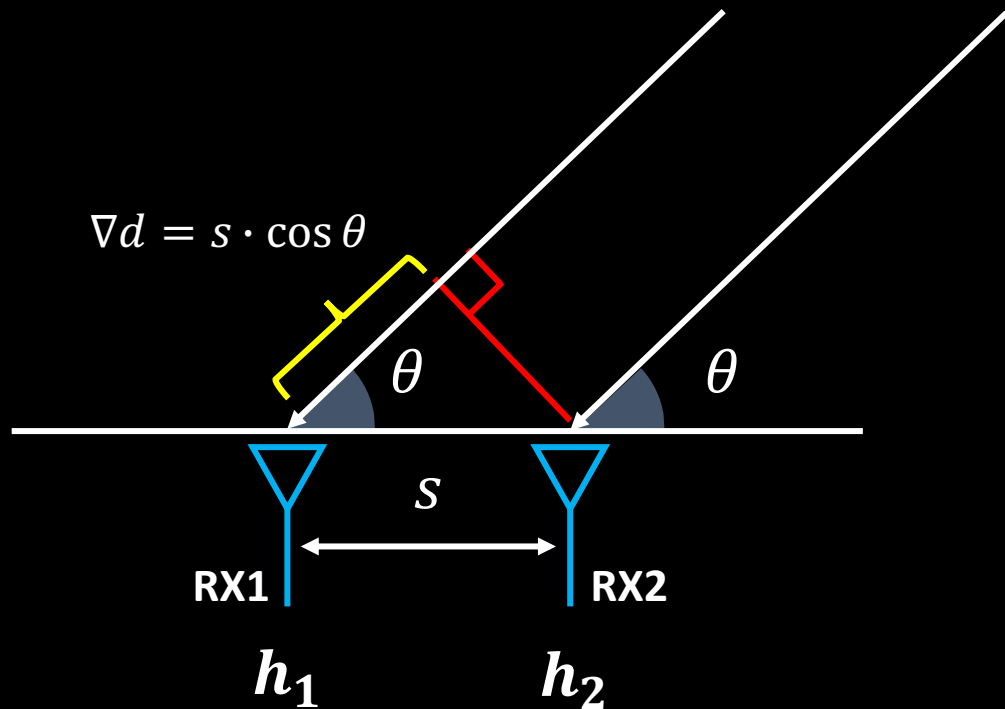
Amplitude

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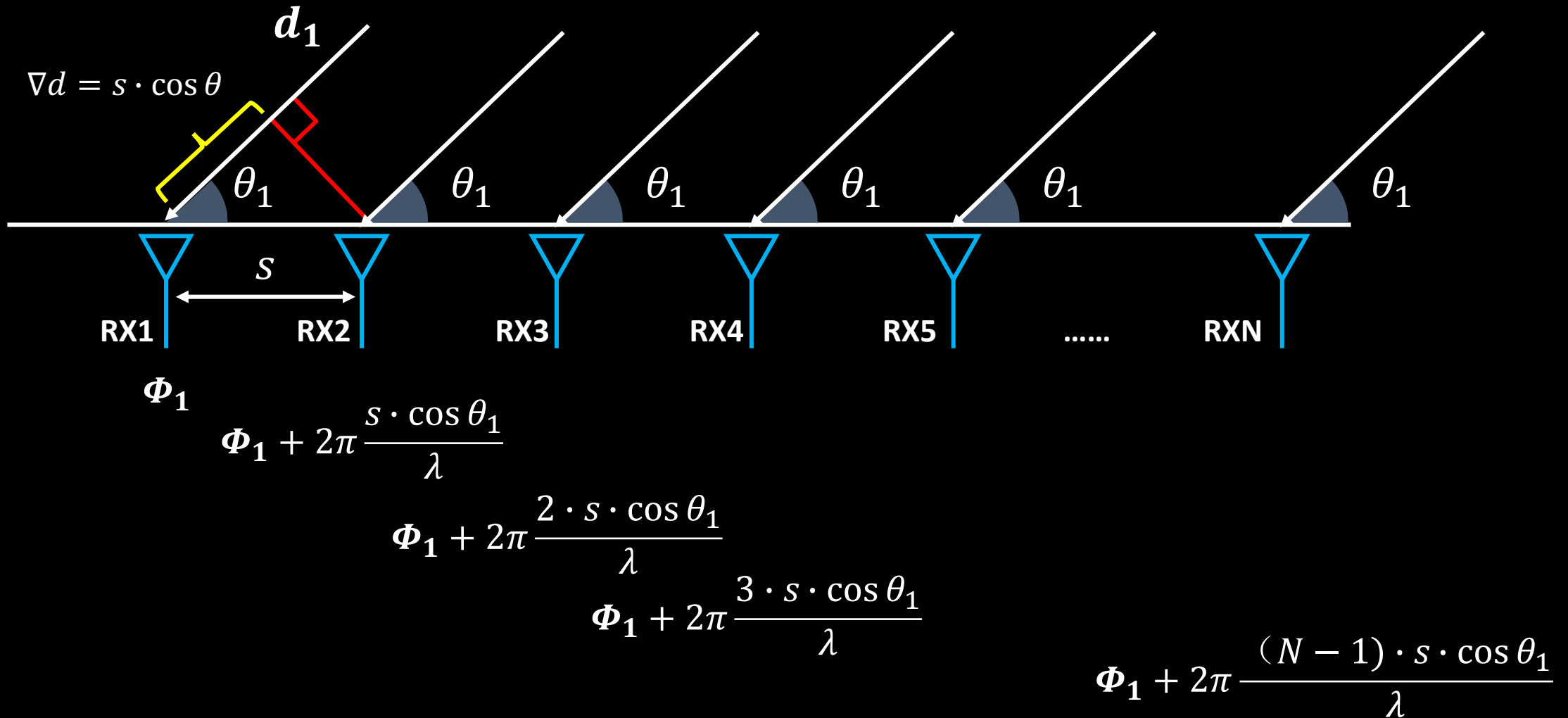
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- **Pros:** Much more accurate than RSSI based solutions!
- **Cons:** Cannot work in presence of multipath

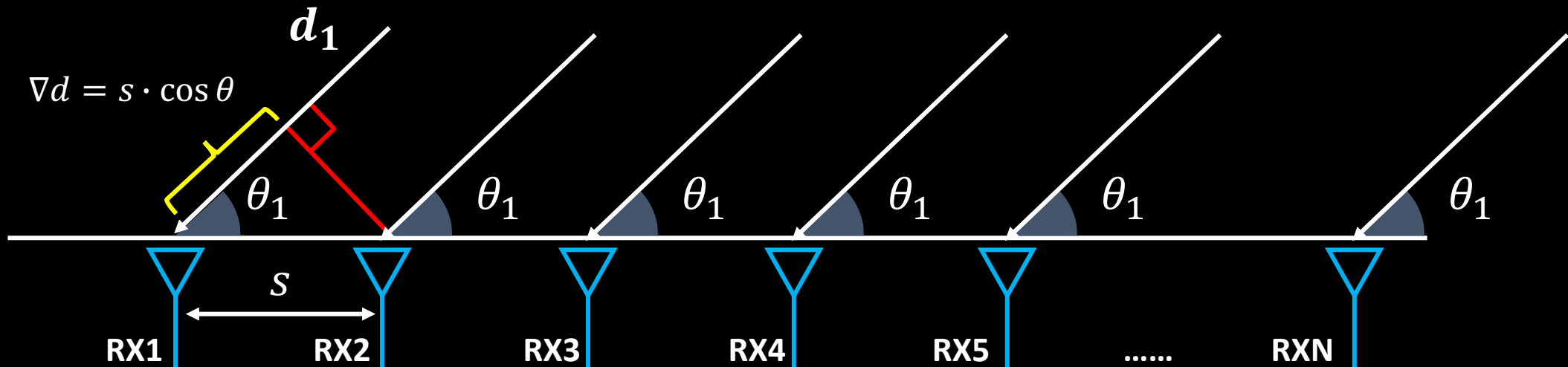
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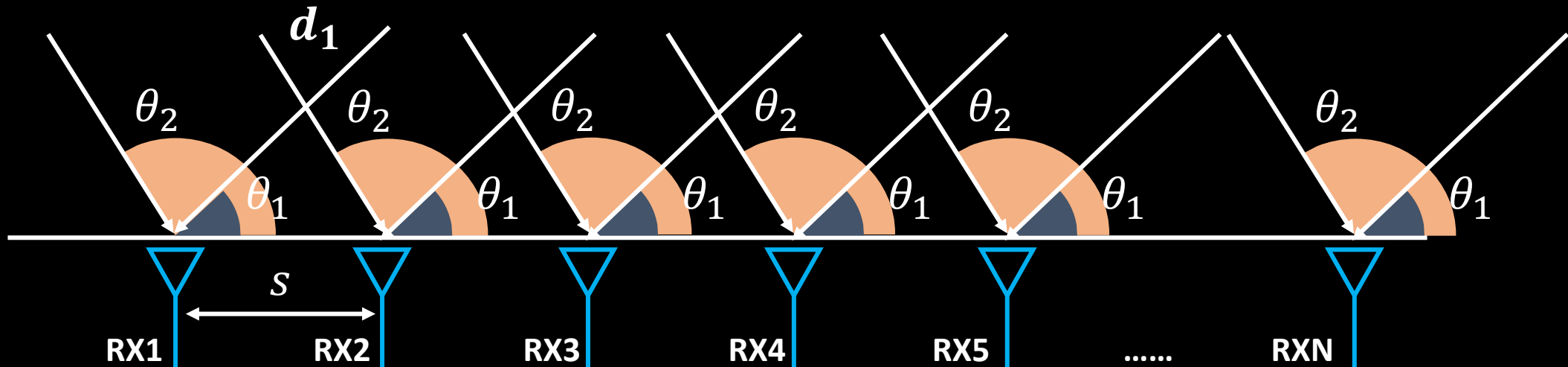


$$\Phi_N(\theta_1) = \Phi_1 + 2\pi \frac{(N-1) \cdot s \cdot \cos \theta_1}{\lambda}$$

$$h_k = \alpha_1 e^{j\Phi_k(\theta_1)}$$

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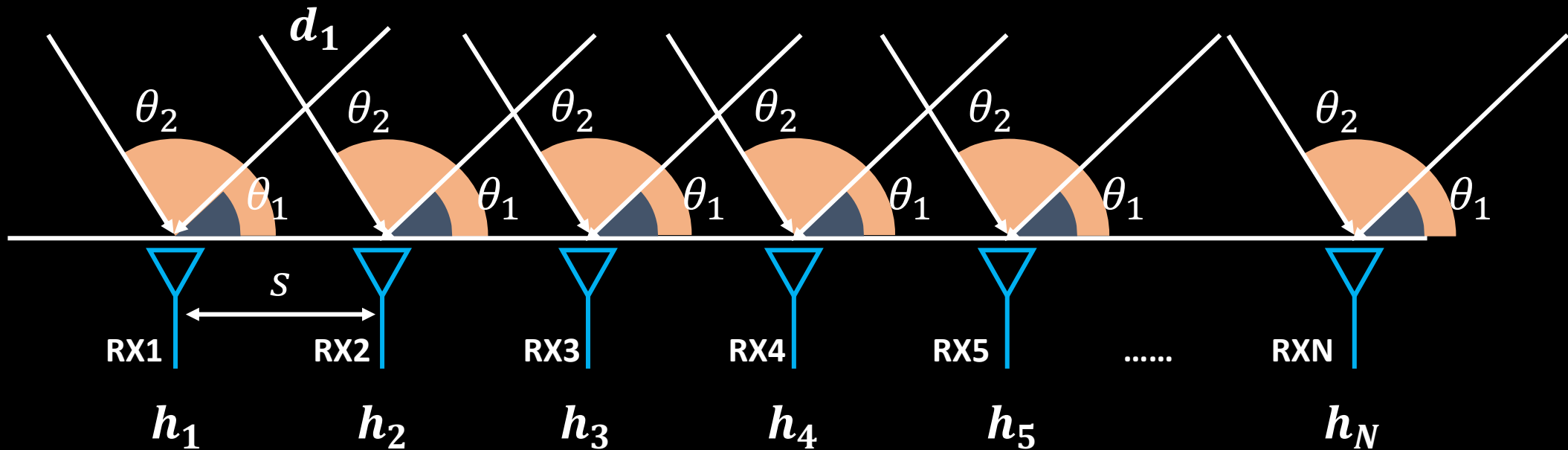
$$\mathbf{h}_k = \alpha_1 e^{j\Phi_k(\theta_1)} + \alpha_2 e^{j\Phi_k(\theta_2)}$$

$$\mathbf{h}_k = \sum_l^L \alpha_l e^{j\Phi_k(\theta_l)}$$

If there are L multipaths

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How to estimate the AoA of the multipath signals?

Method 2: AoA based solution

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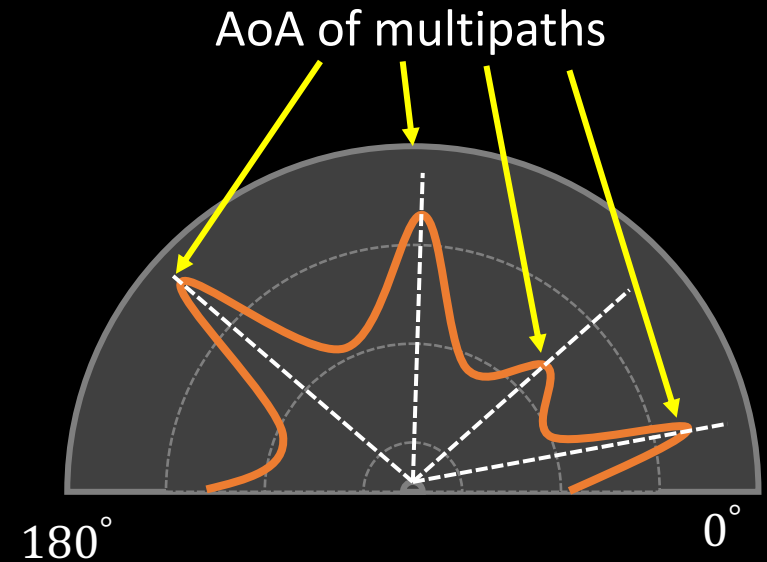
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Input

MUSIC
algorithm

Output

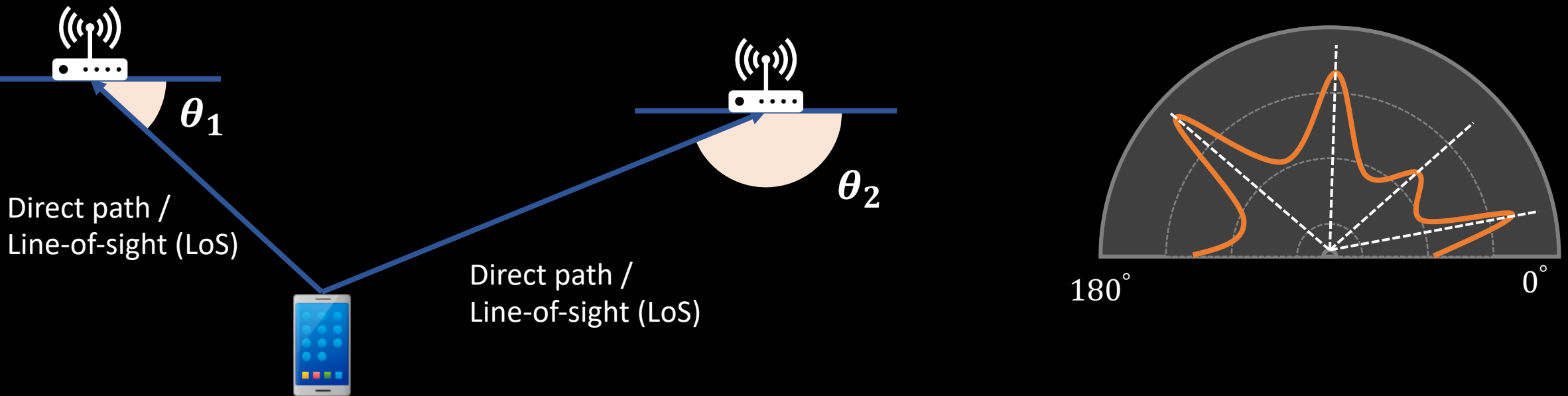


Channel measured from all antennas

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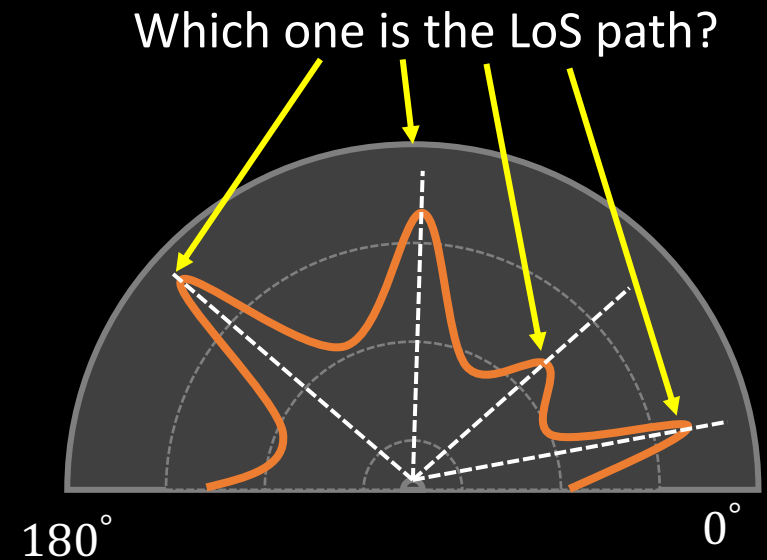
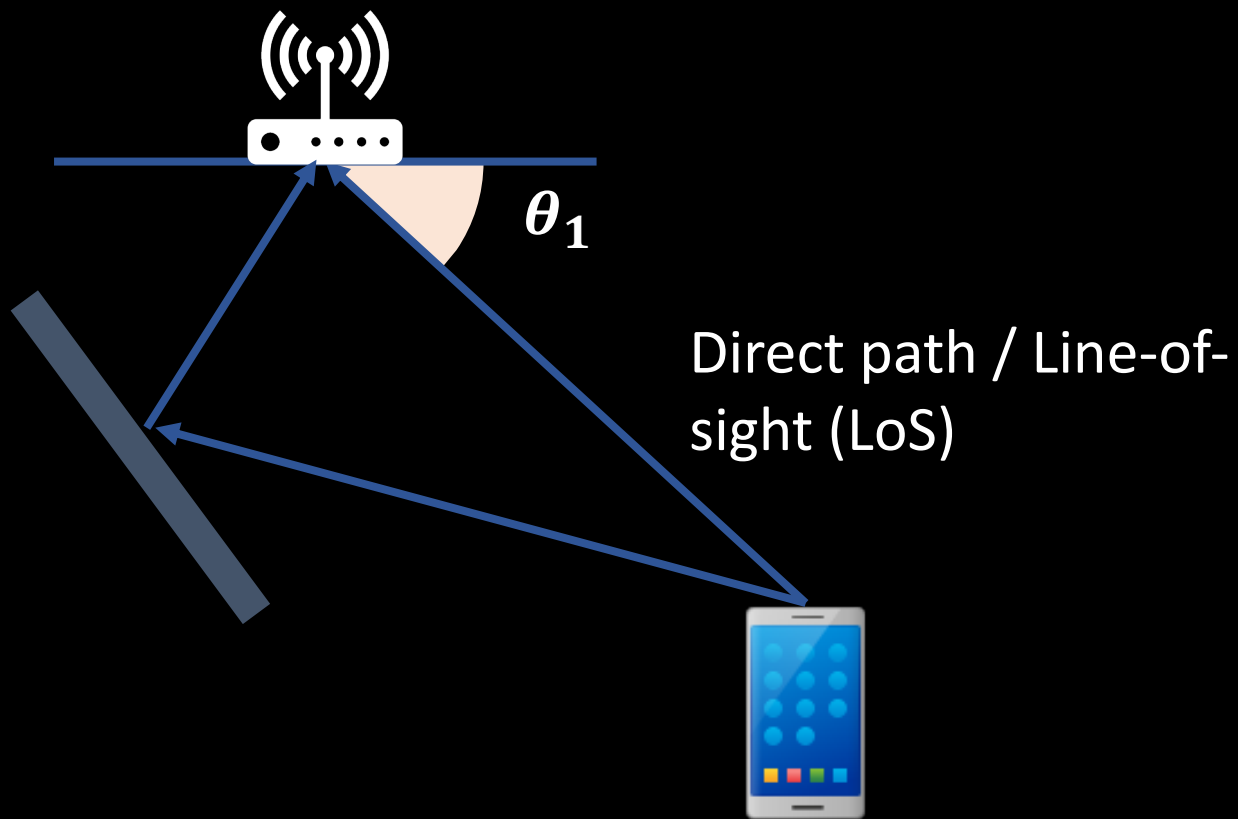
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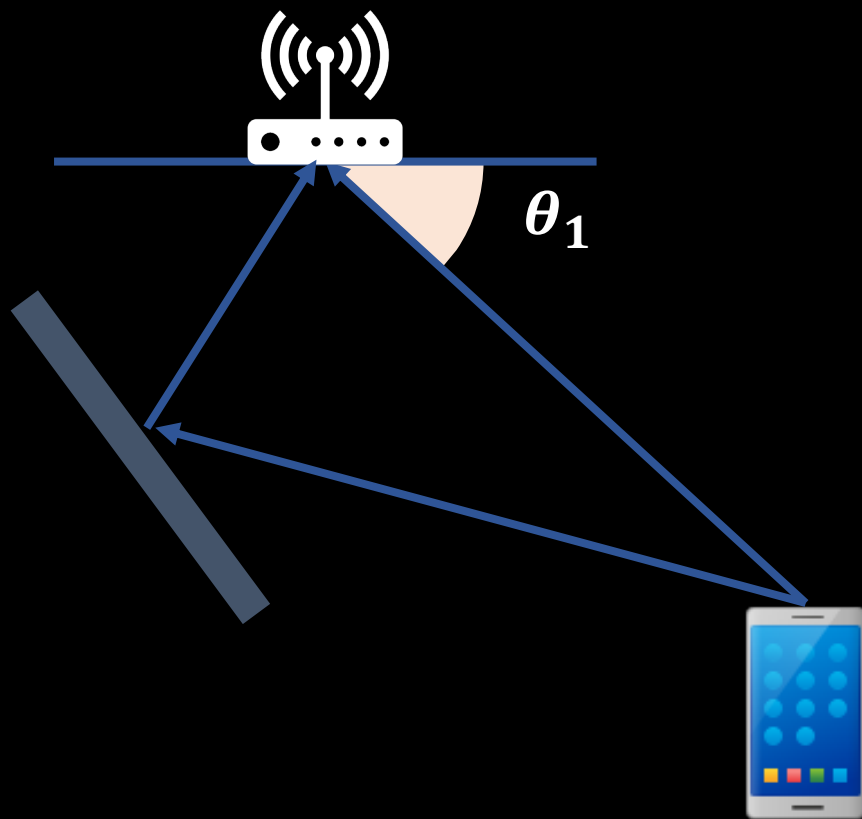
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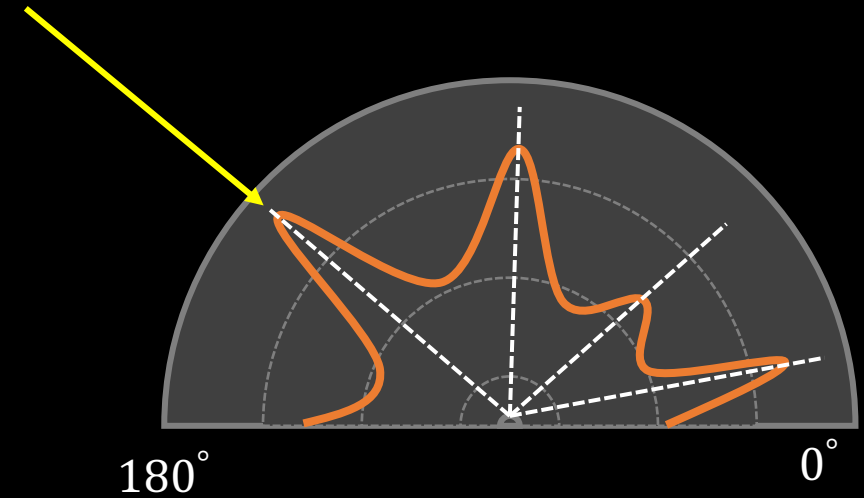
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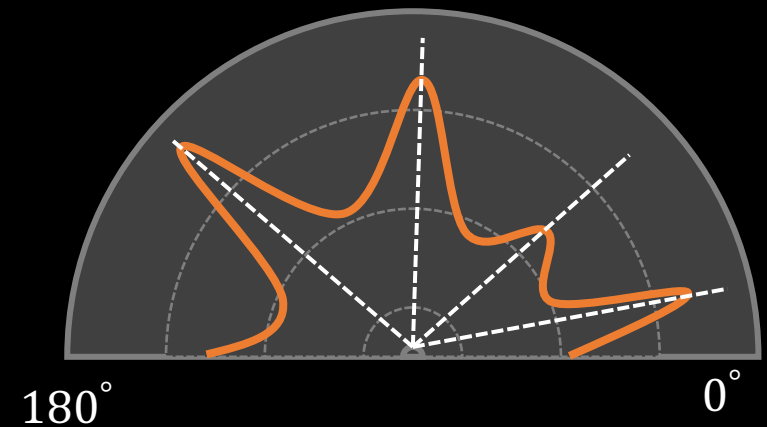
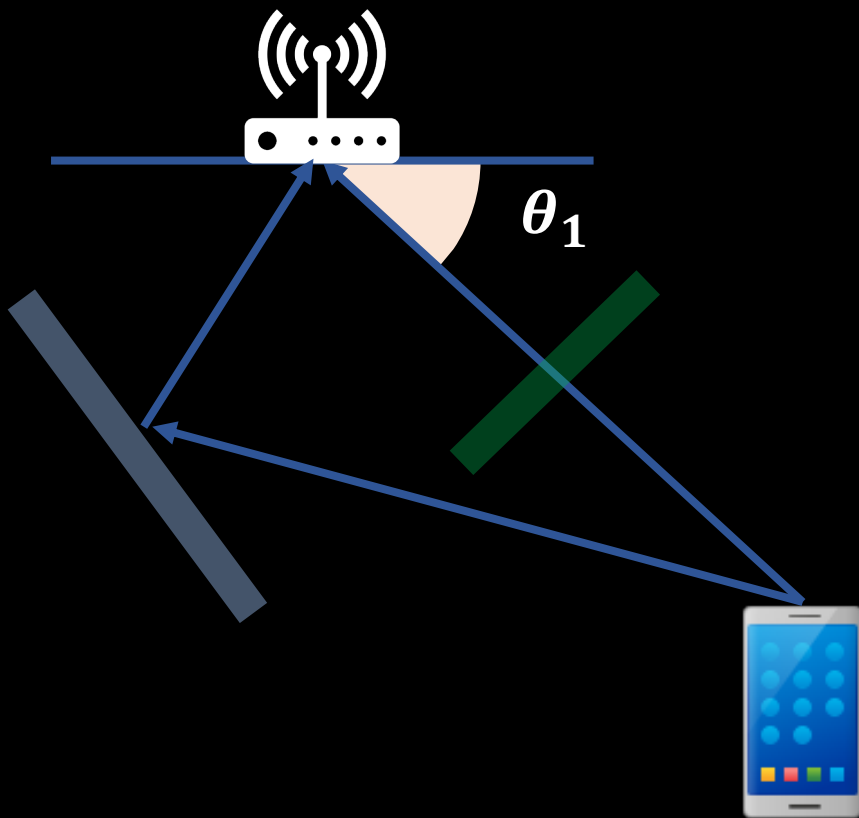
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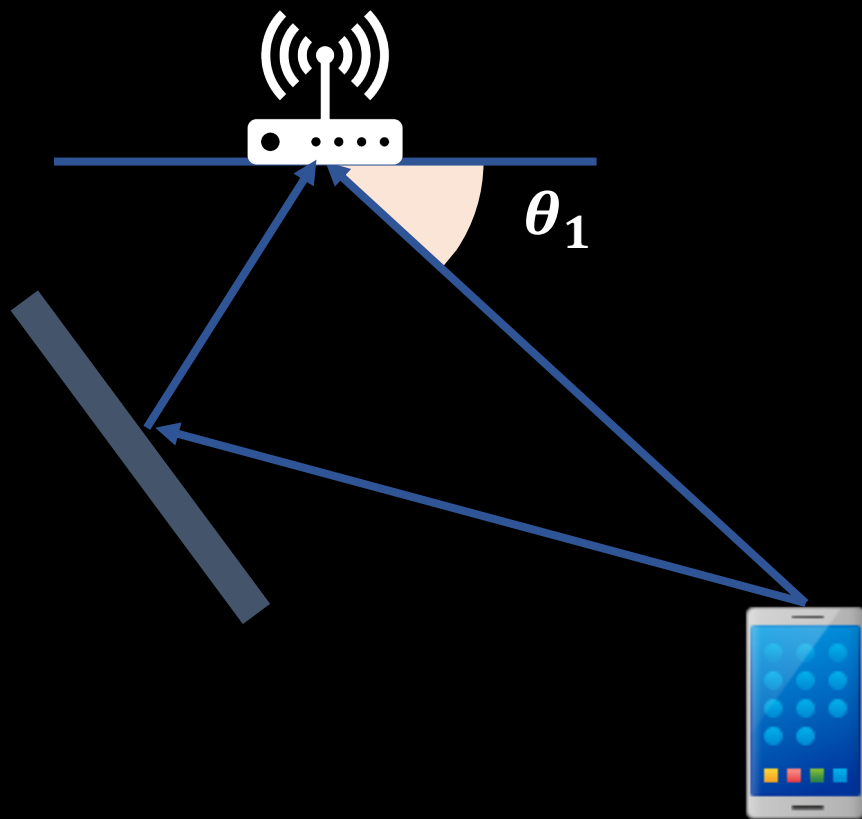
Not always true, if the LoS path is blocked



Method 2: AoA based solution

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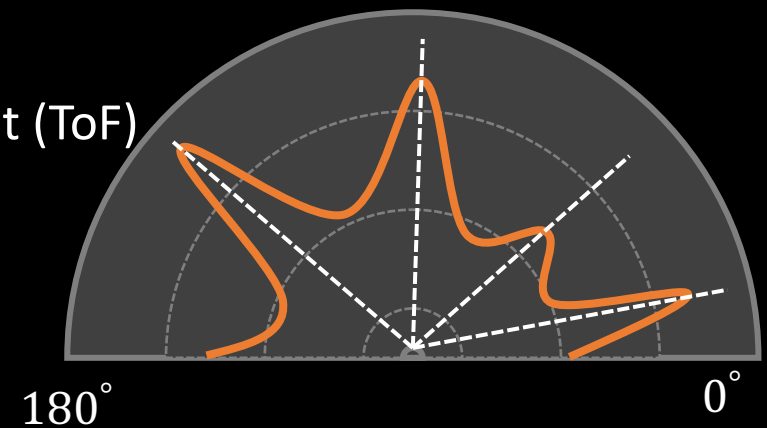


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Hint 2: mobility

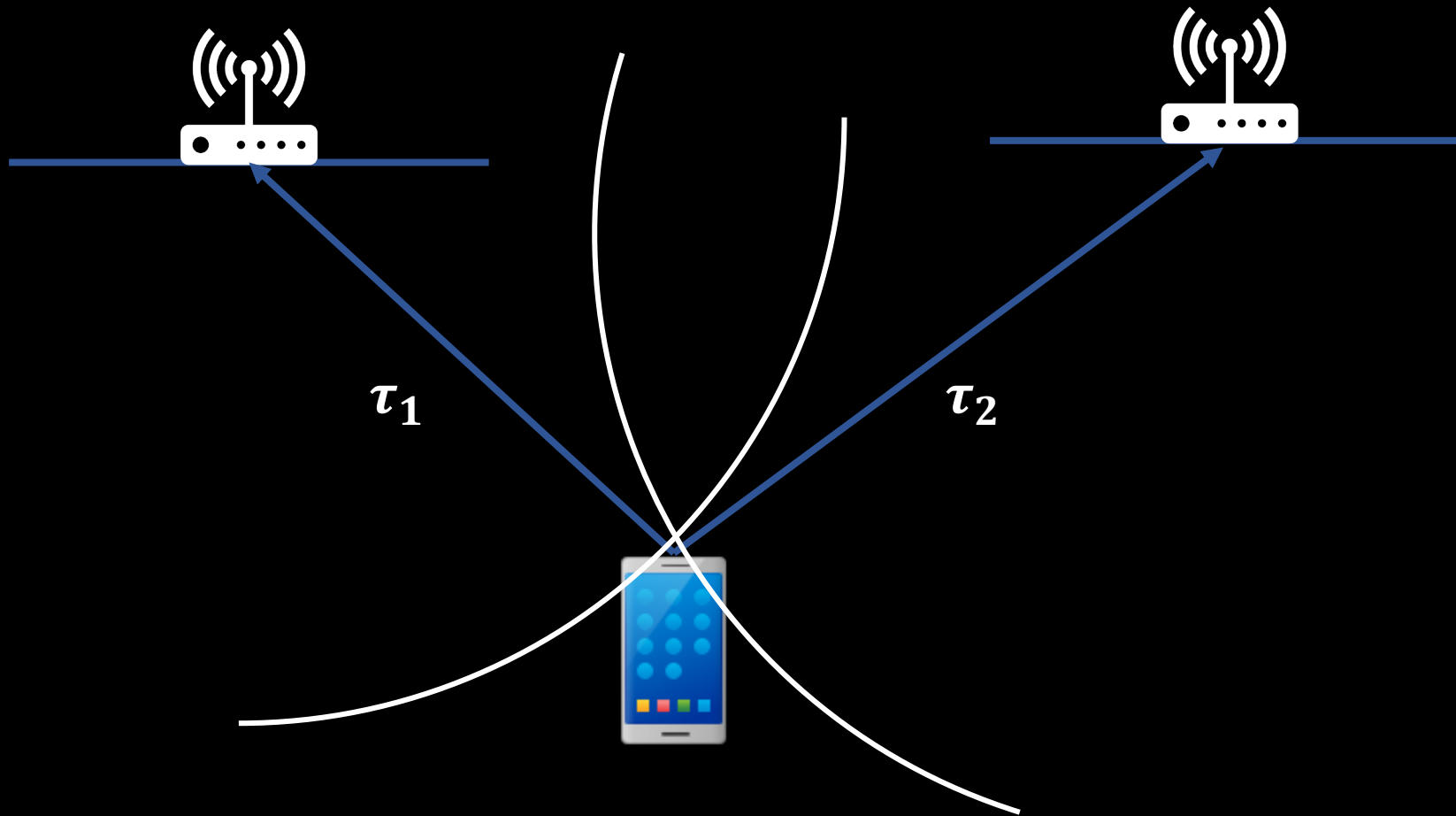
Hint 3: shortest path

→ smallest Time of Flight (ToF)



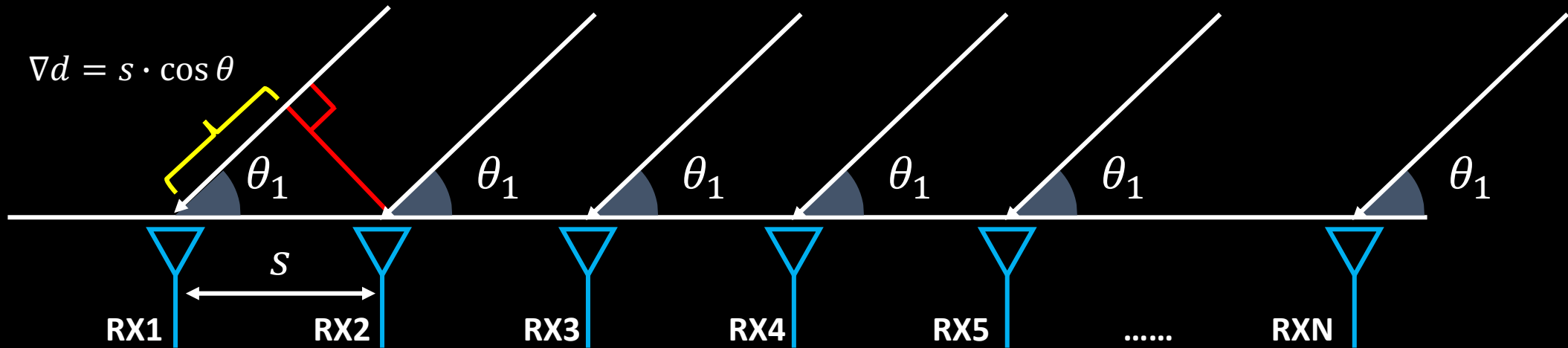
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ToF: time of flight



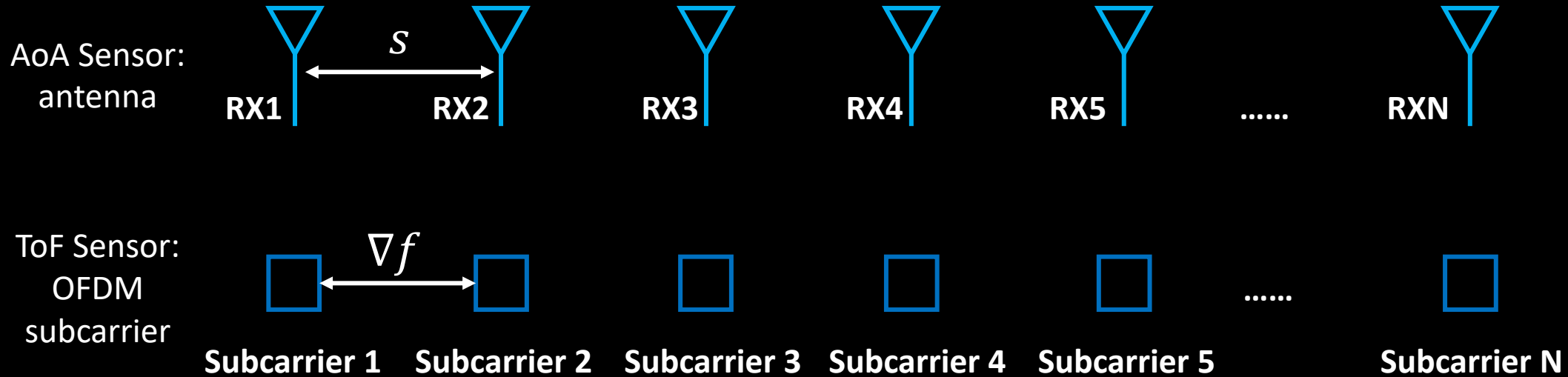
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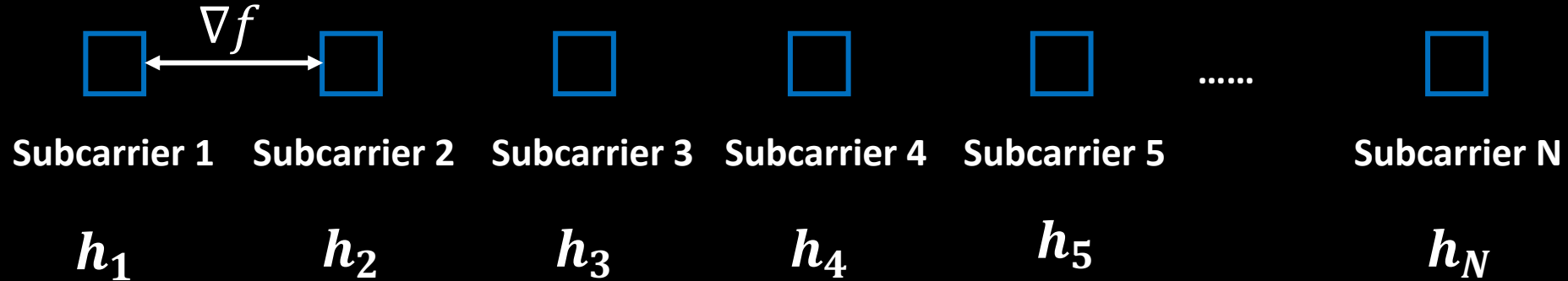
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Method 3: ToF based solution

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ToF Sensor:
OFDM
subcarrier



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$$\angle h_2 = 2\pi(f_1 + \nabla f) \tau$$

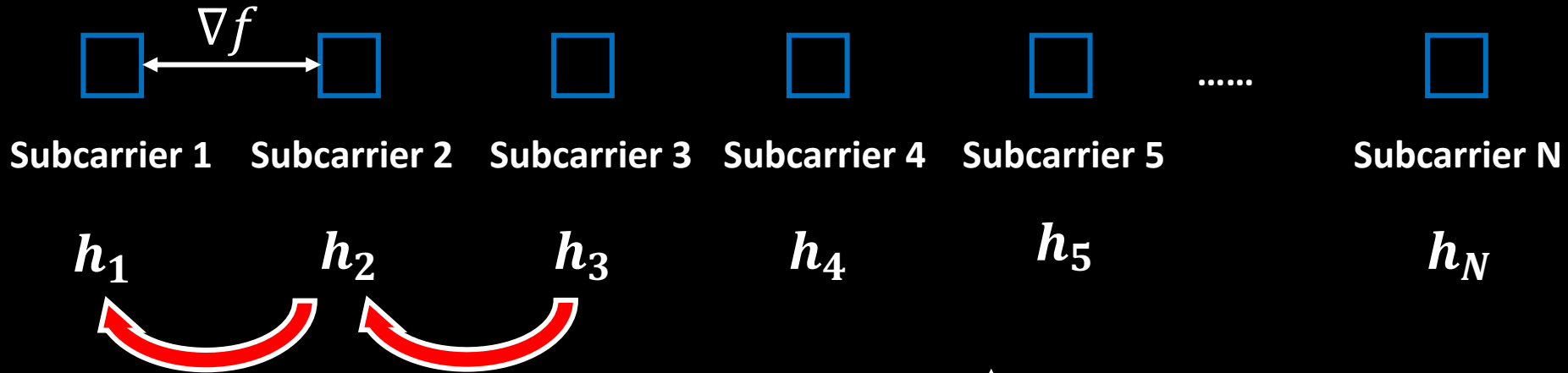
$$\angle h_3 = 2\pi(f_1 + 2\nabla f) \tau$$

$$\angle h_N = 2\pi(f_1 + (N - 1)\nabla f) \tau$$

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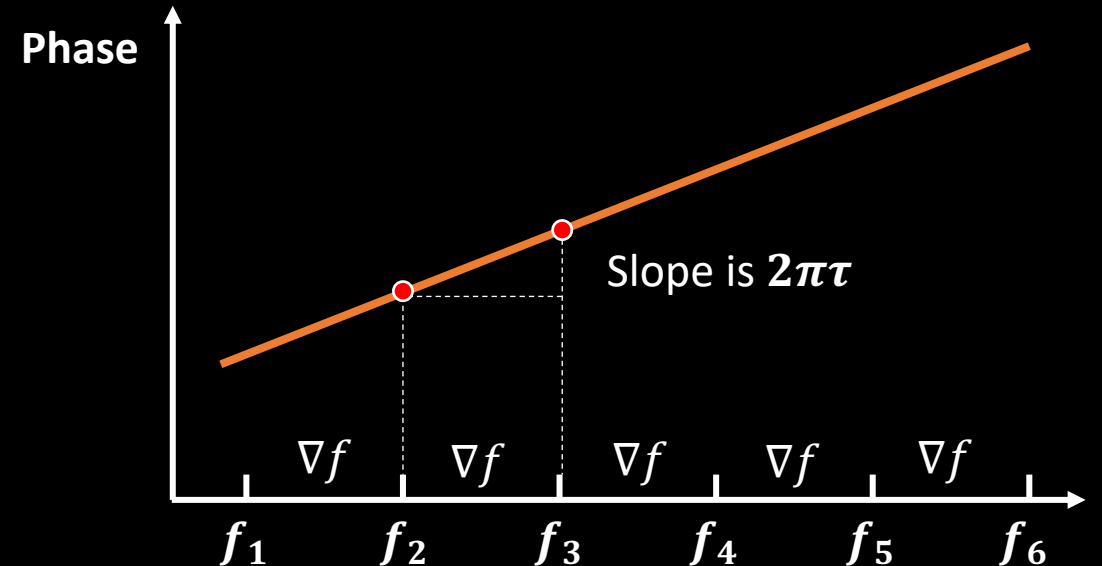
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Only works for a single path!
What about multipath?

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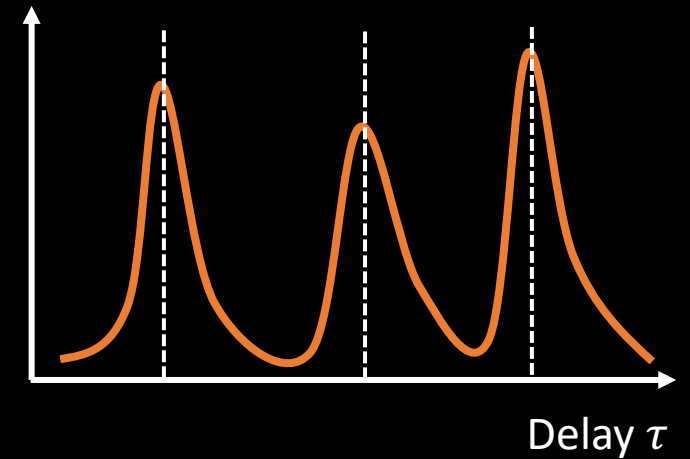
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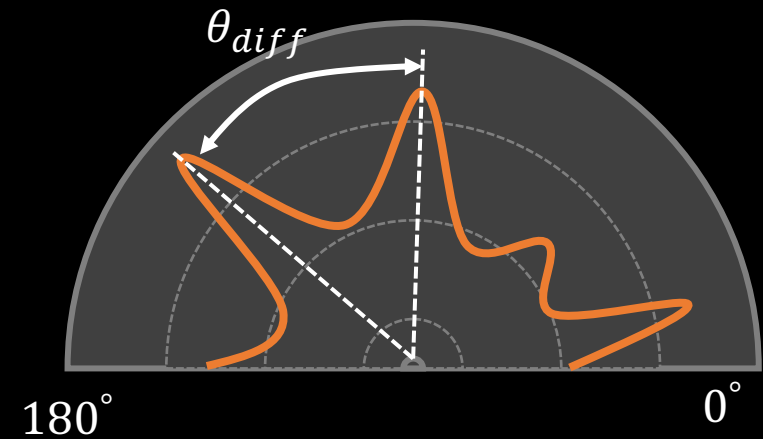
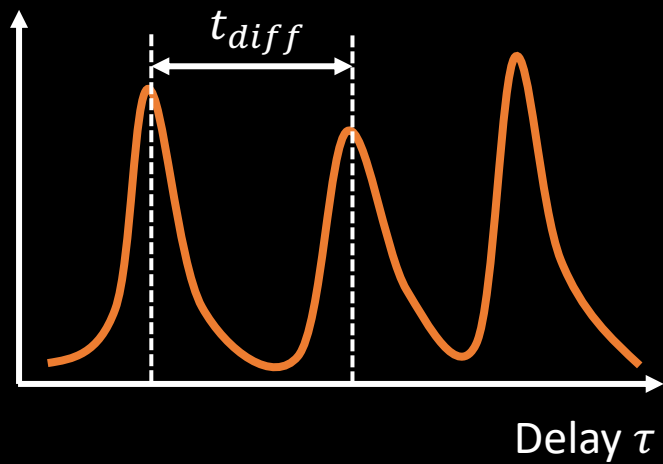
Output



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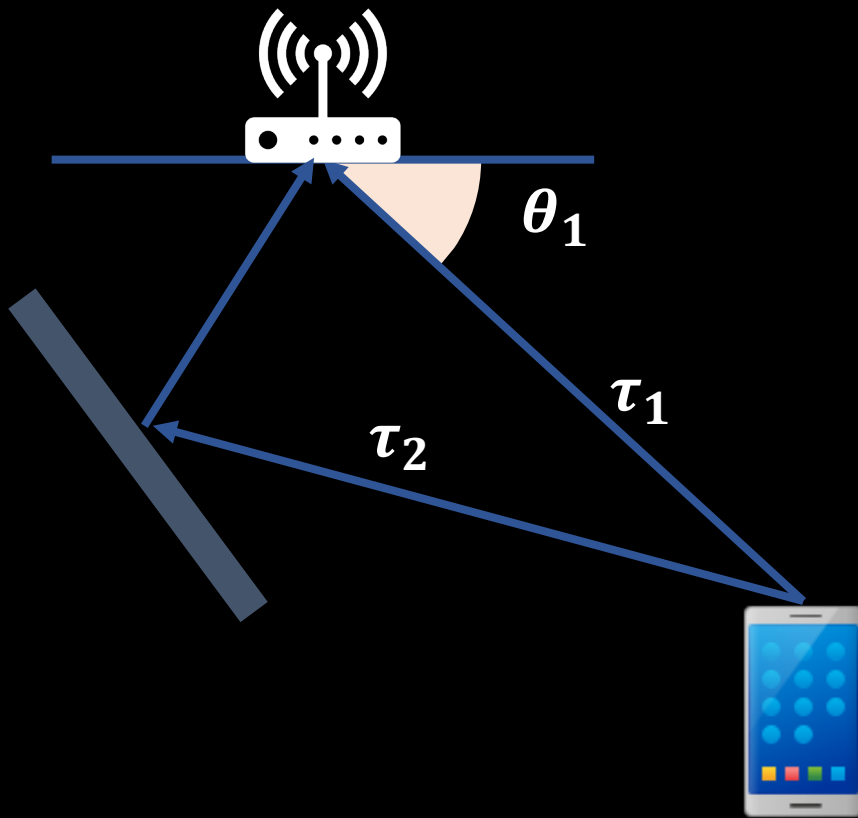
ToF and AoA: Resolution

Resolution: the capability of resolving two multipaths



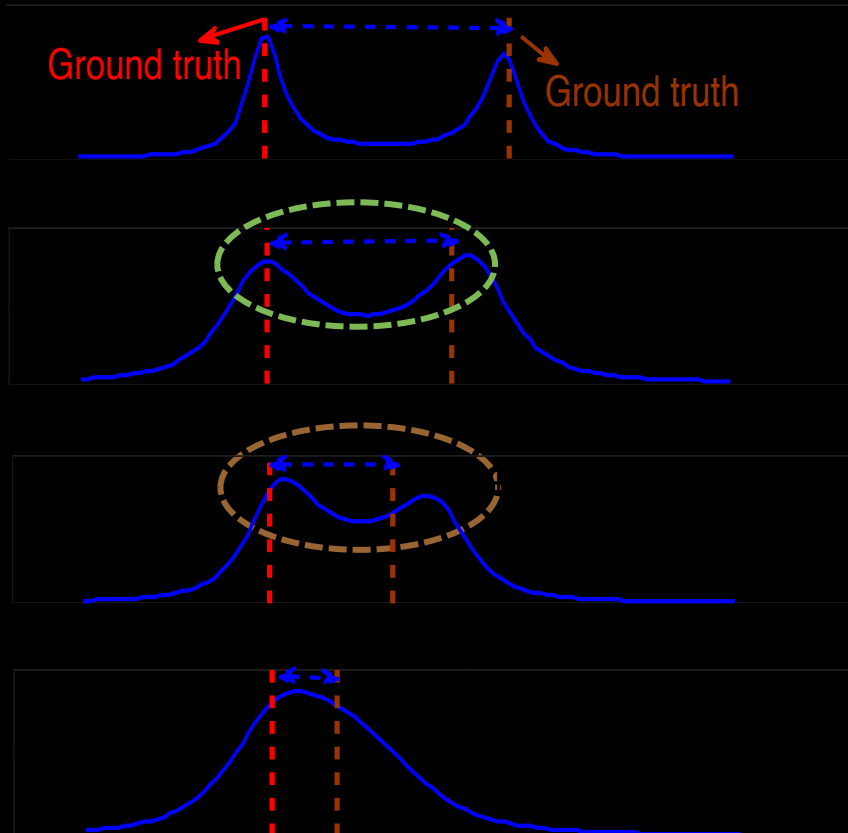
ToF and AoA: Resolution

Resolution: the capability of resolving two multipaths



- We change the **length** of the reflection path to vary the **ToF** τ_2
- We use MUSIC algorithm to estimate the ToF of two paths

ToF and AoA: Resolution



Naïve: 15m resolution
(20MHz bandwidth)

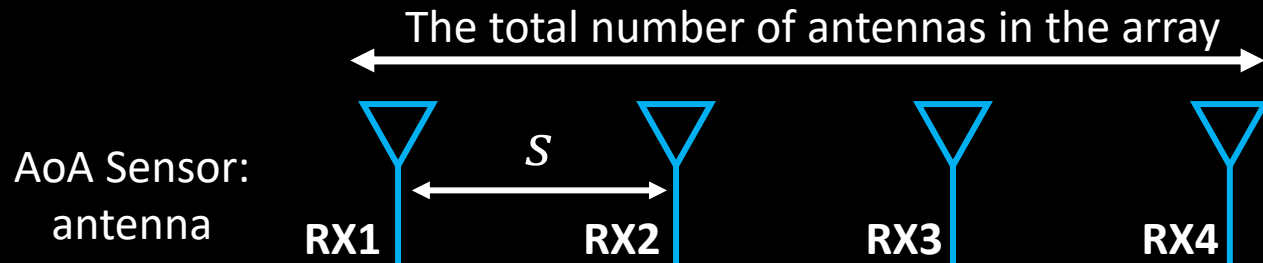


MUSIC: around 8m resolution

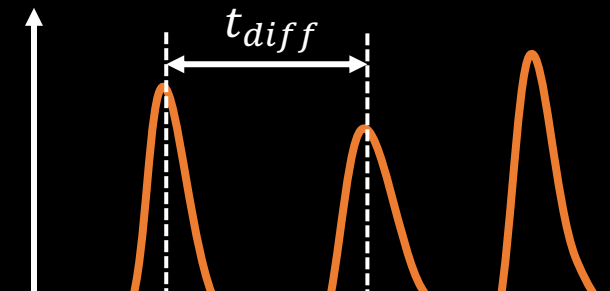
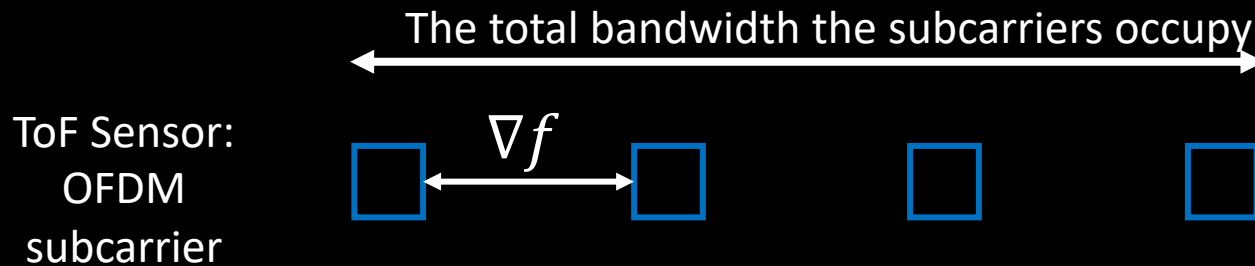
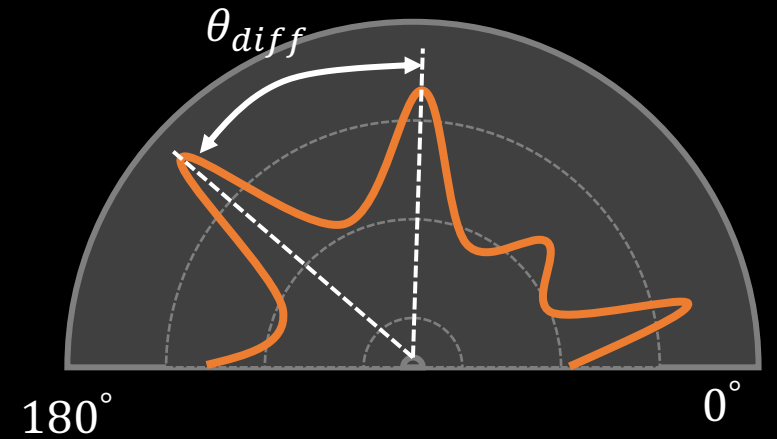
**When two paths get closer,
MUSIC fails to resolve them**

**The two peaks merge into
one eventually**

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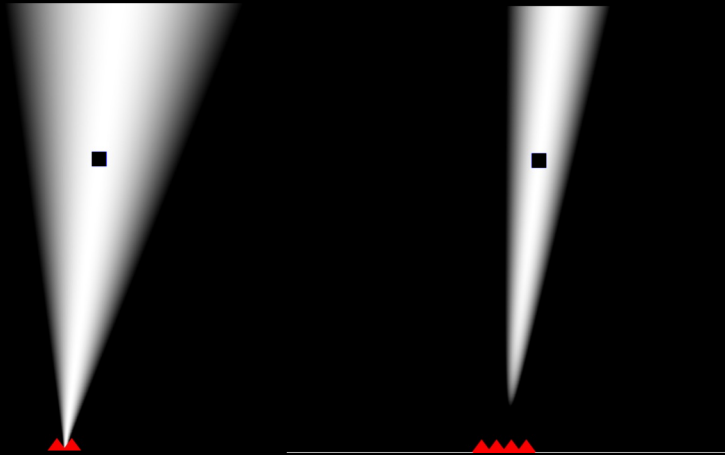


More antennas, higher spatial resolution

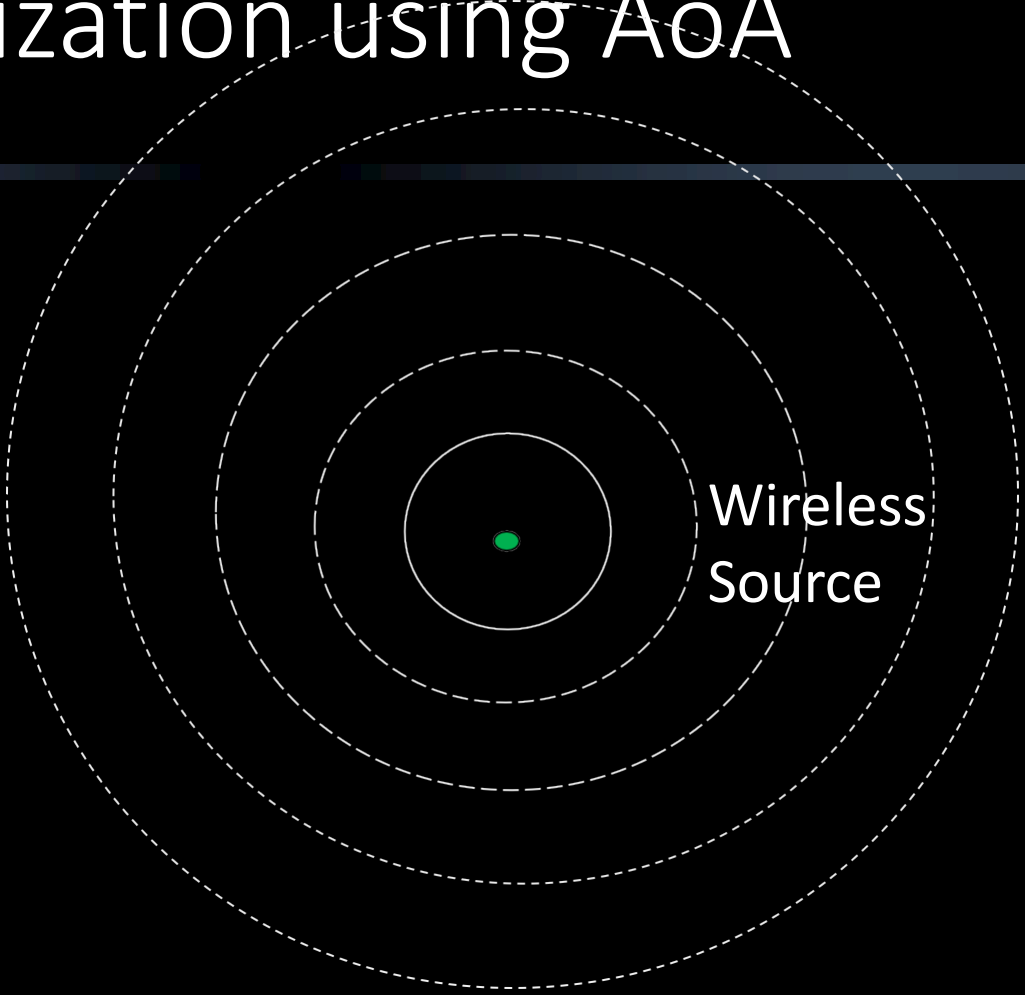


Why resolution is important?

ToF and AoA: Resolution



Localization using AoA



Antenna Array
Receiver



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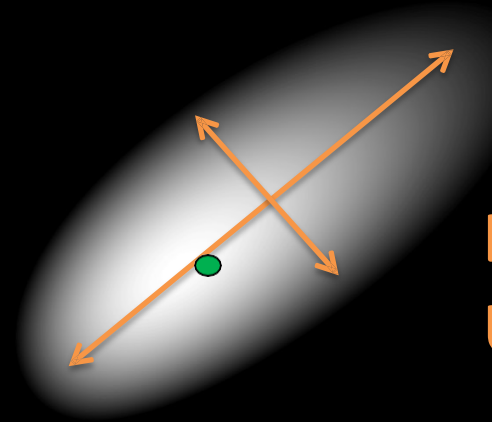
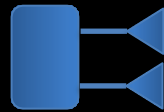
Array's beam
points to
source



Localization using AoA



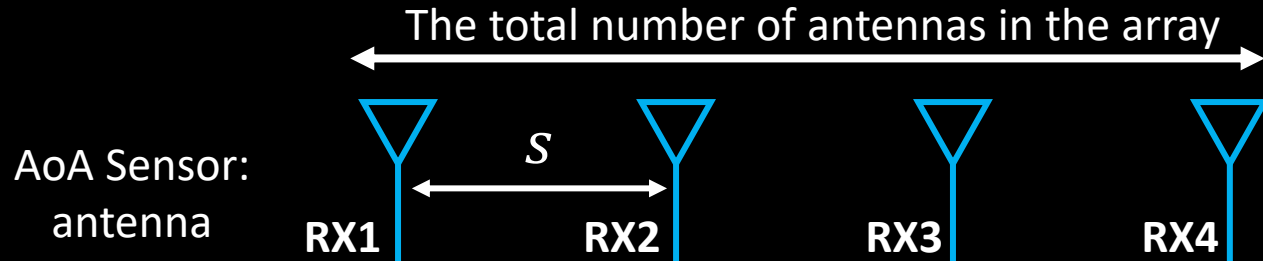
Localization using AoA



**Location
Uncertainty**

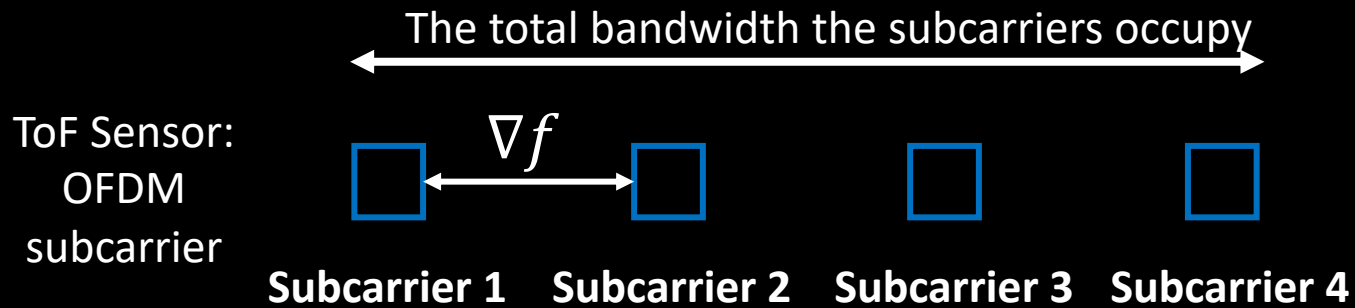
How to improve the resolution?

ToF and AoA: Resolution



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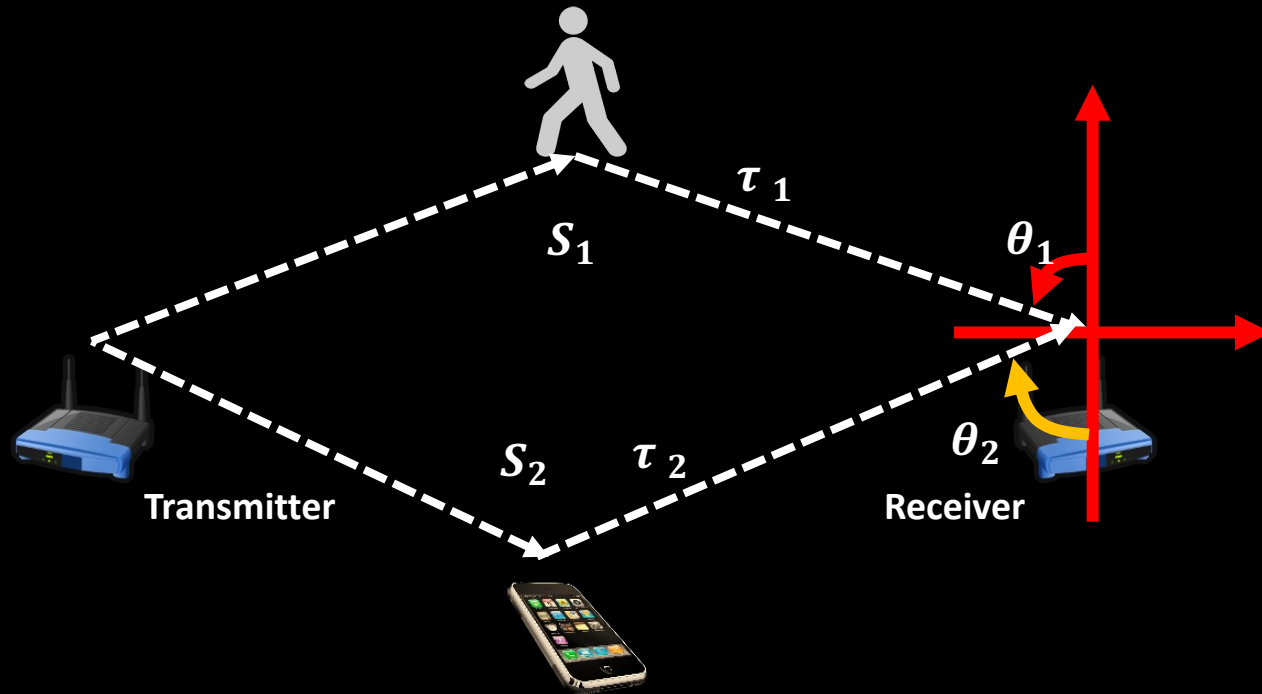


Larger bandwidth, higher time resolution

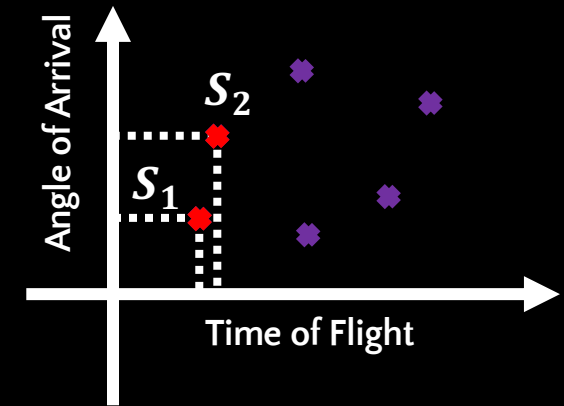
Any other solutions? ?

Increase the bandwidth

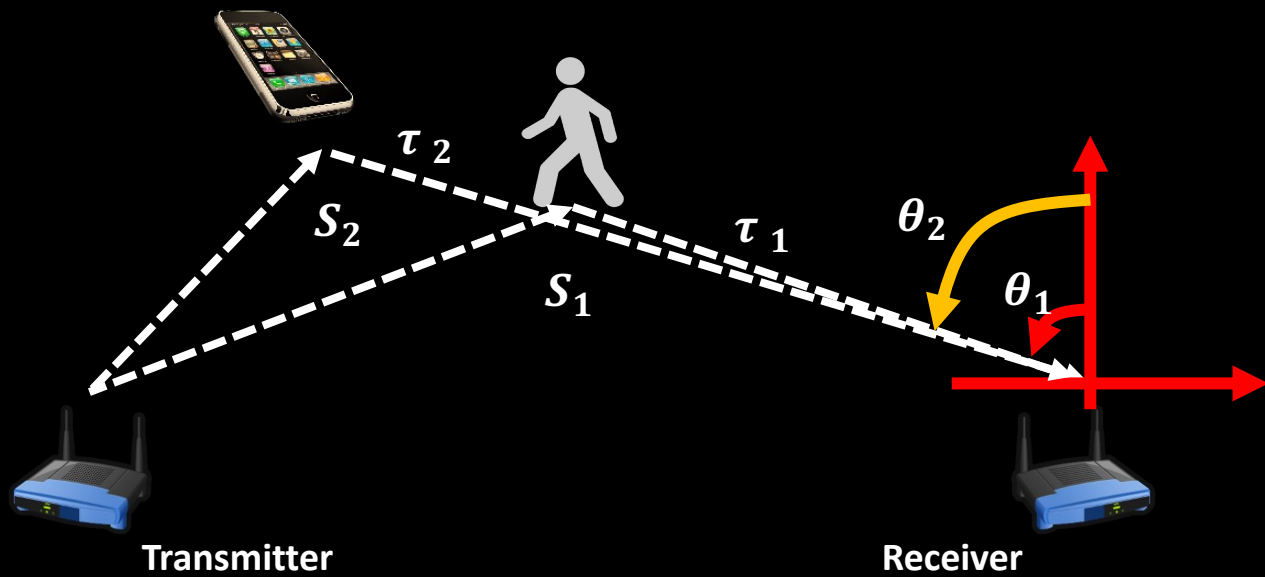
ToF and AoA: Resolution Multi-dimensionality



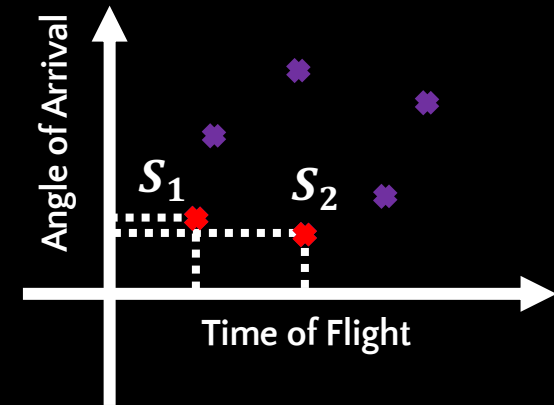
Two signals are close in time domain but far away in spatial domain



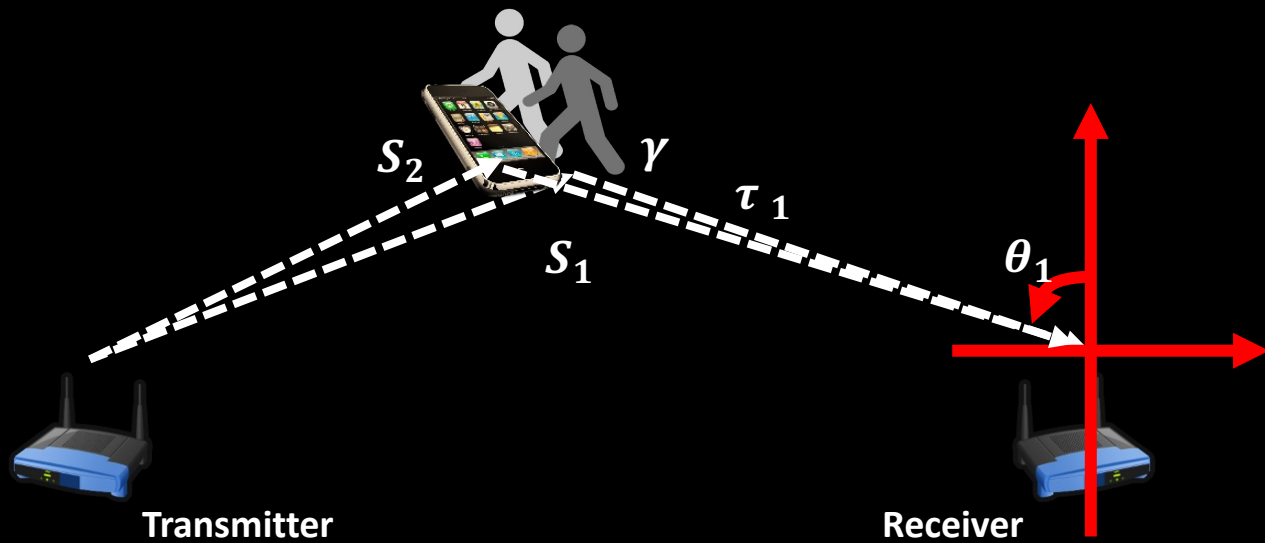
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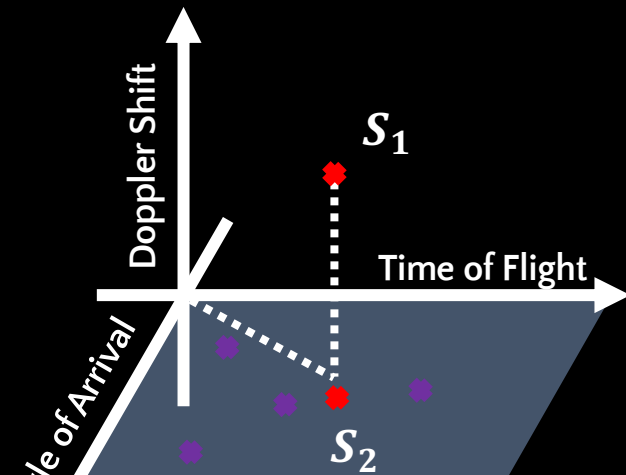
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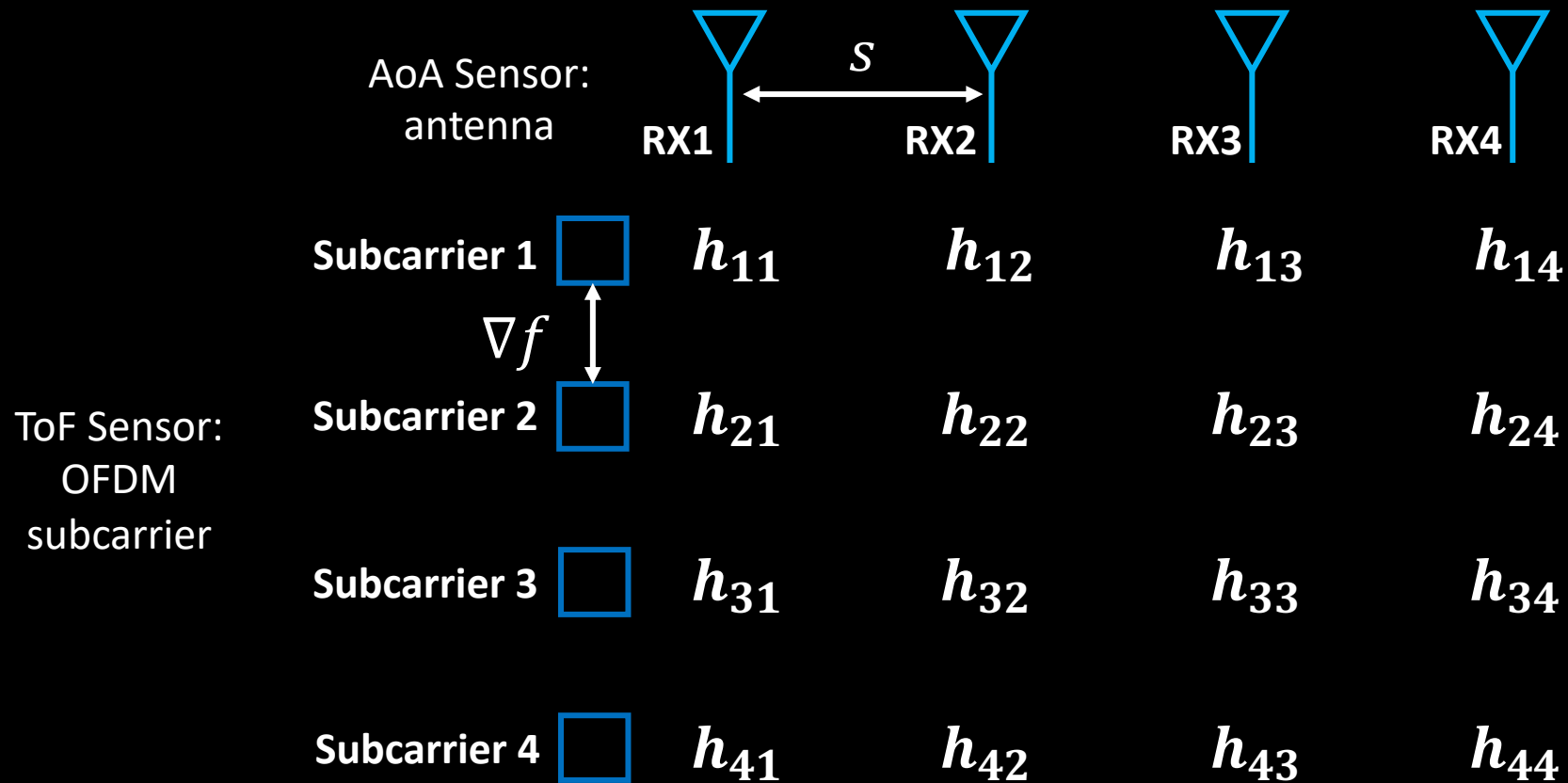
Two signals close in both spatial and time domain can be separated in frequency domain (Doppler shift)



How does the algorithm work? Input/output?

ToF and AoA: Resolution

Multi-dimensionality



ToF and AoA: Resolution Multi-dimensionality

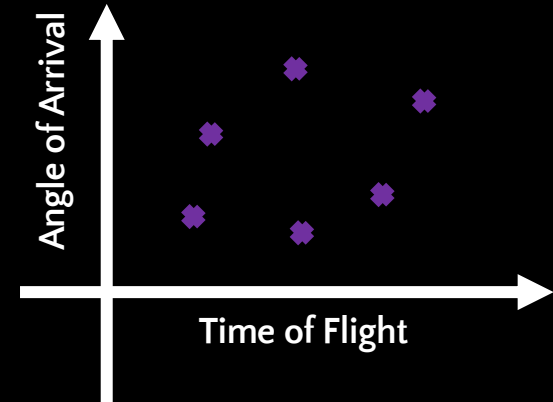
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Channel measured from all
antennas and all subcarriers

Input

mD-Track

Output



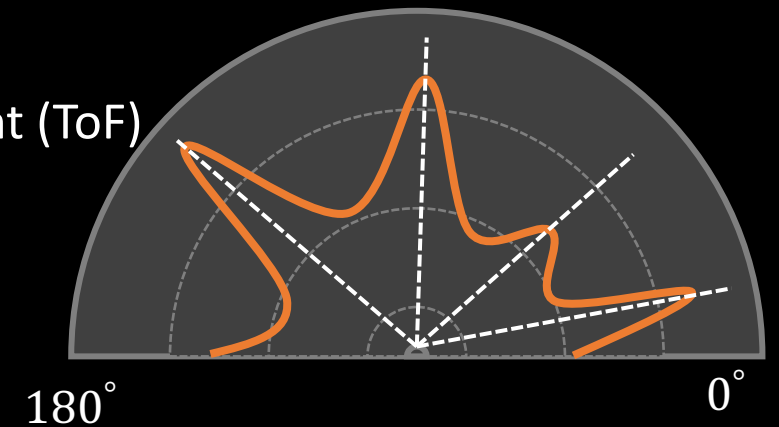
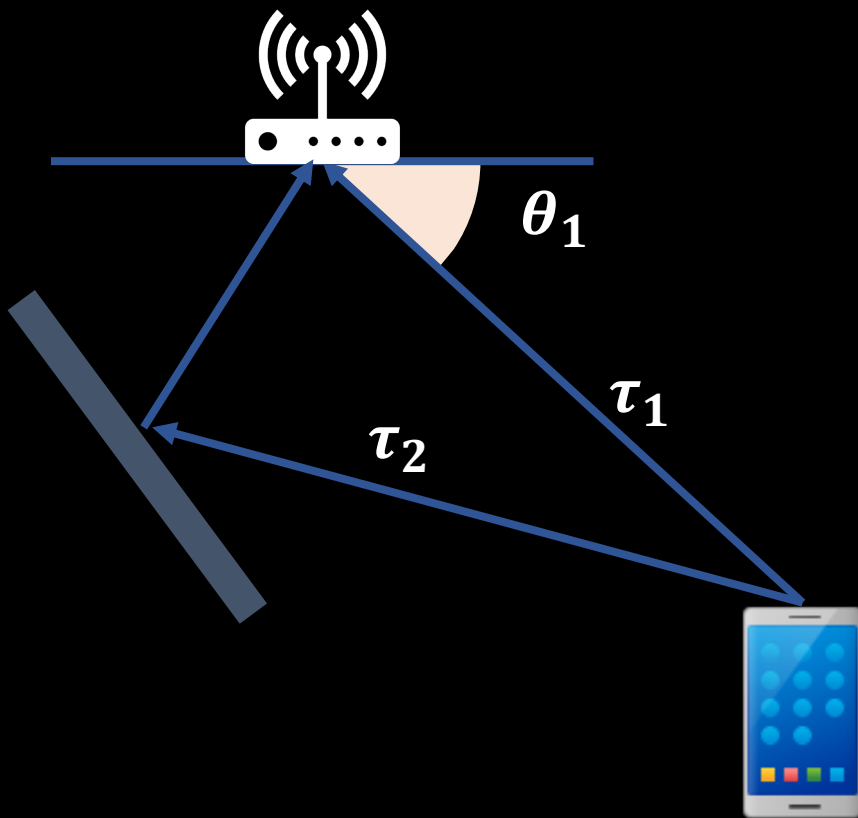
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Jointly estimate both ToF and AoA for each multipath

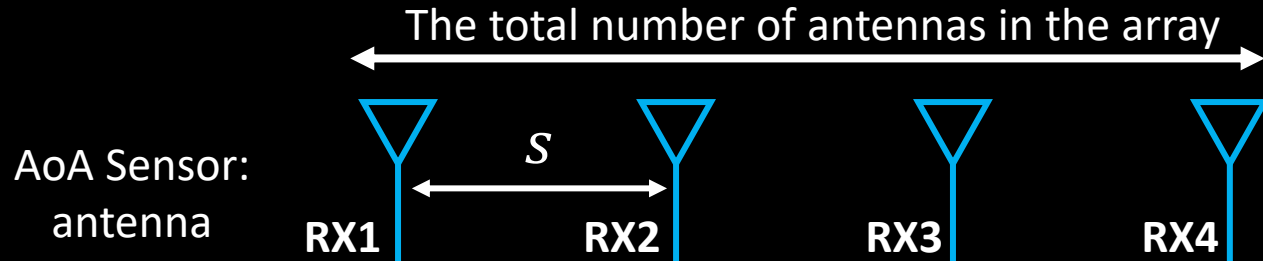
- Simultaneously ToF and AoA
- Higher resolution
- Higher accuracy

Hint 3: shortest path

→ smallest Time of Flight (ToF)

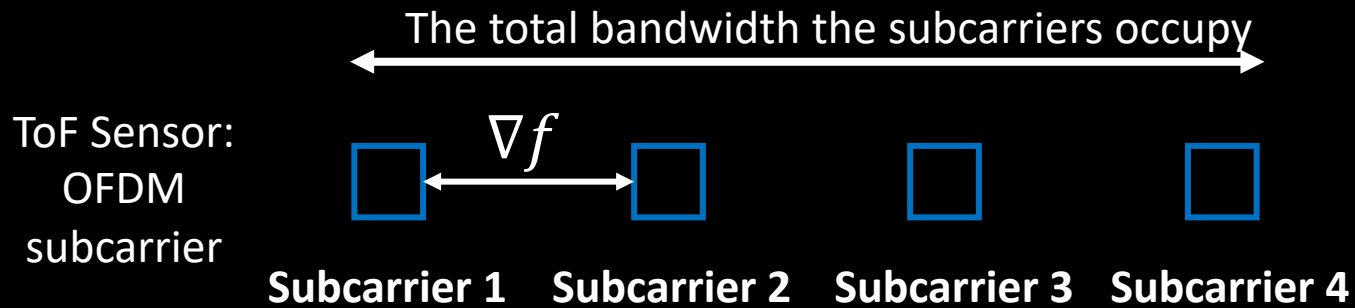


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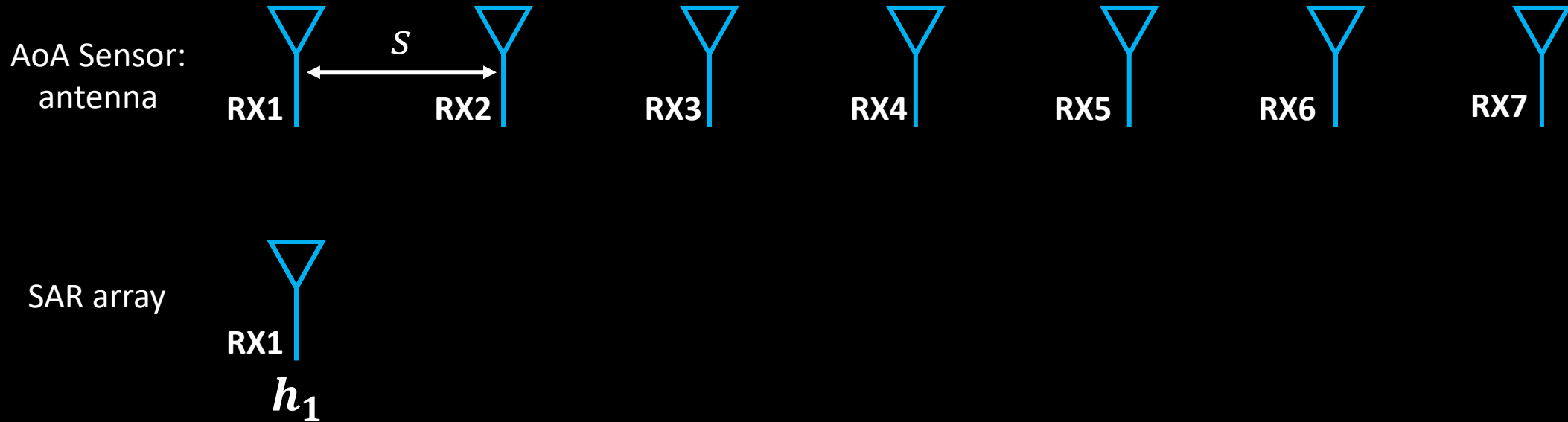
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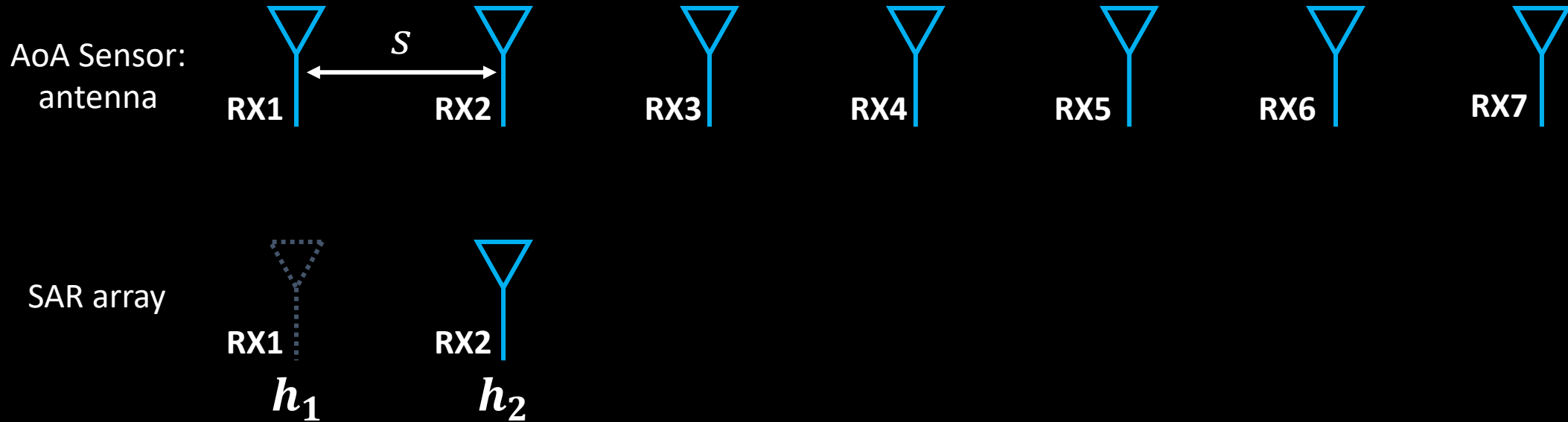
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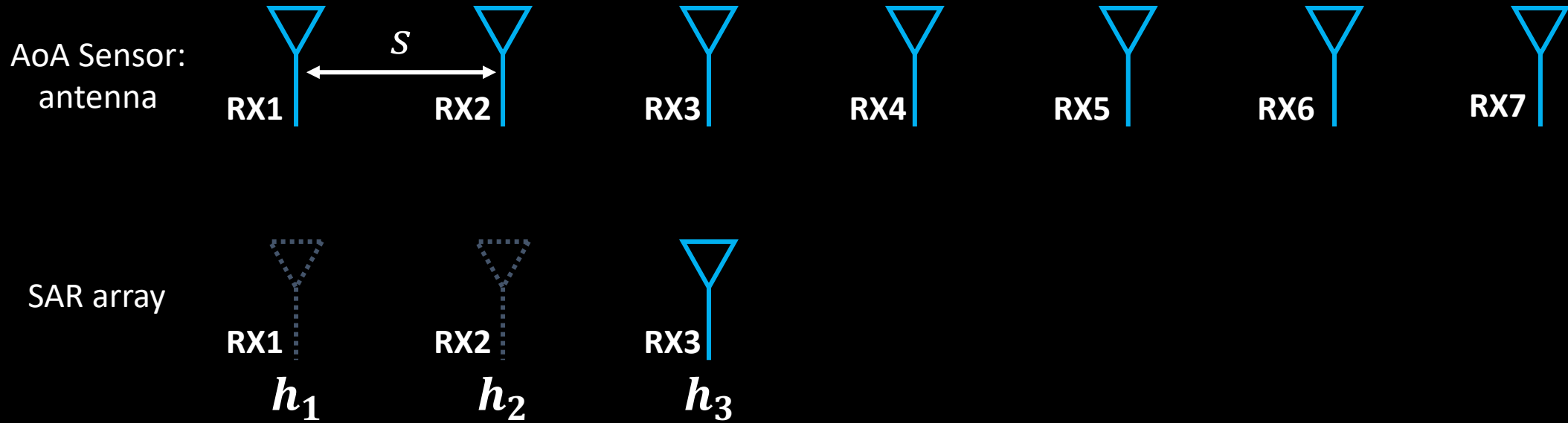
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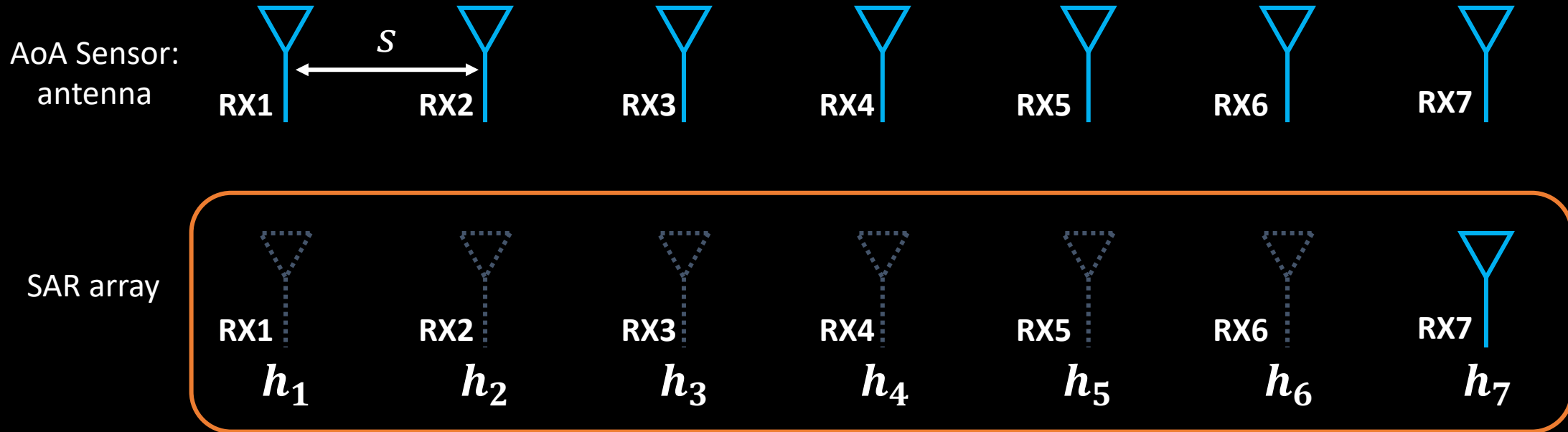
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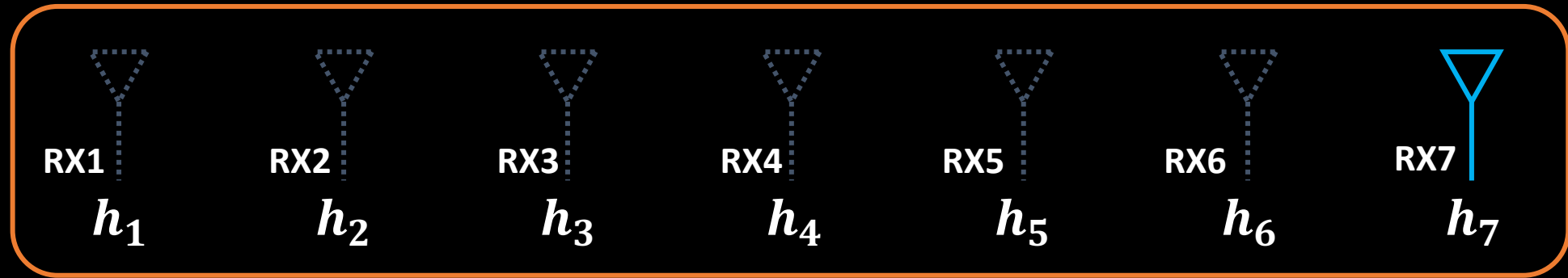


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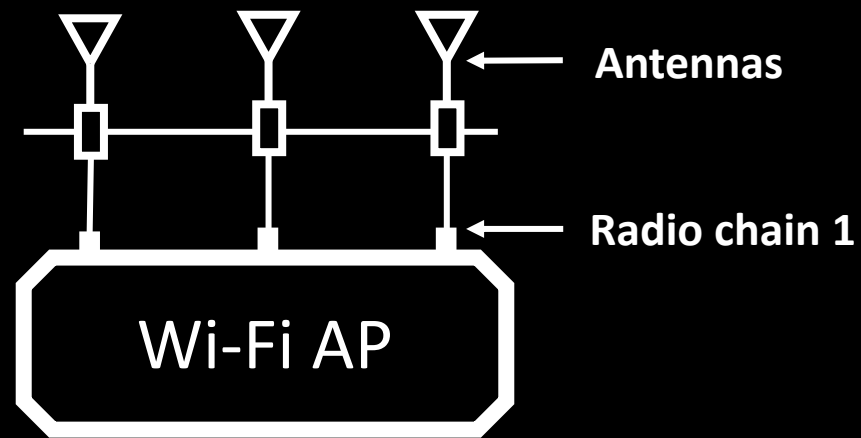


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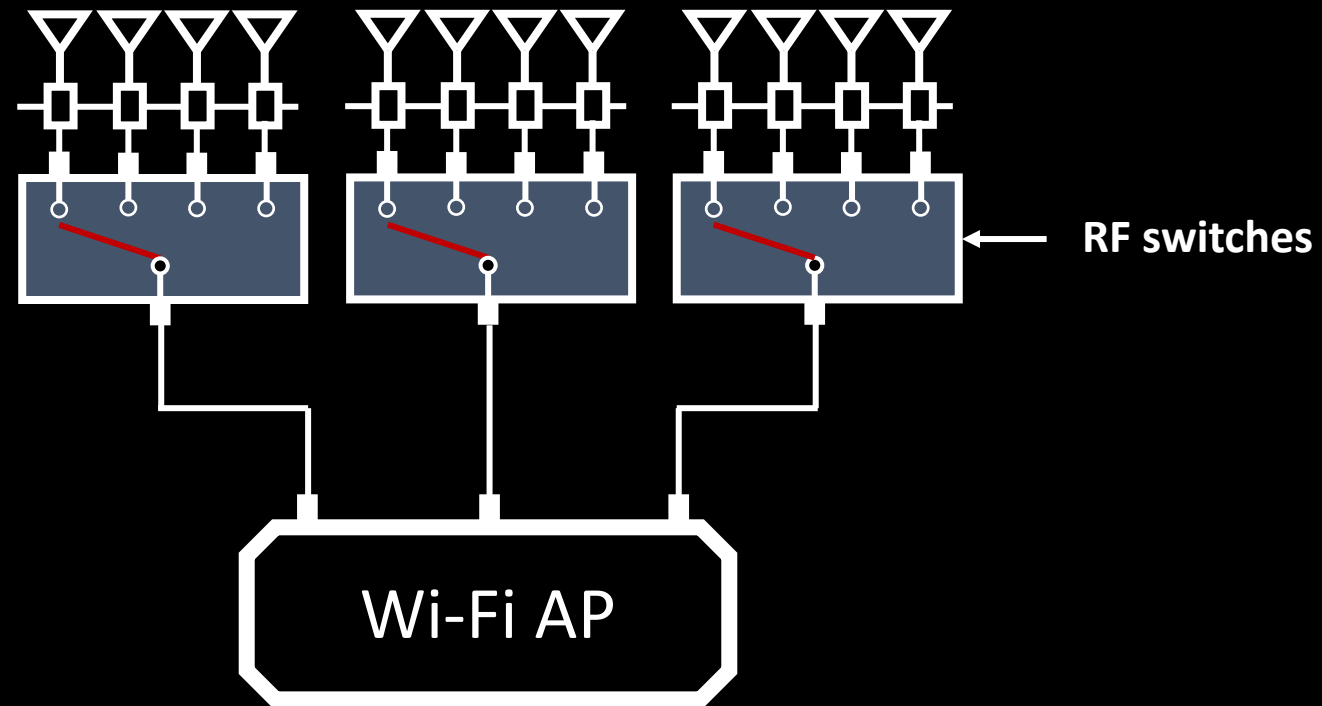
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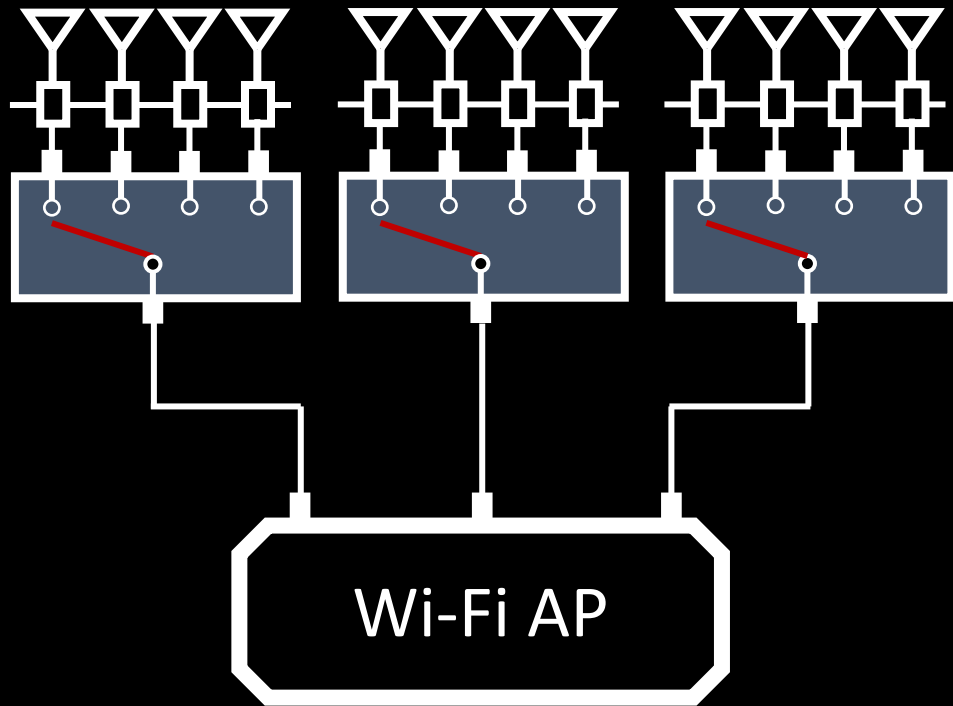
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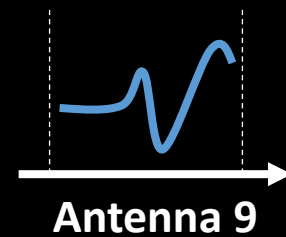
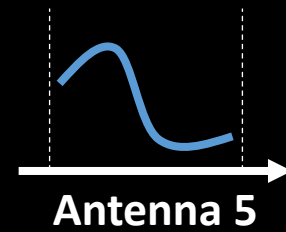
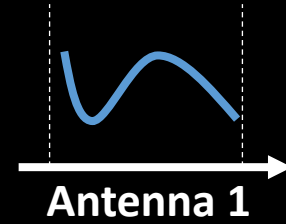
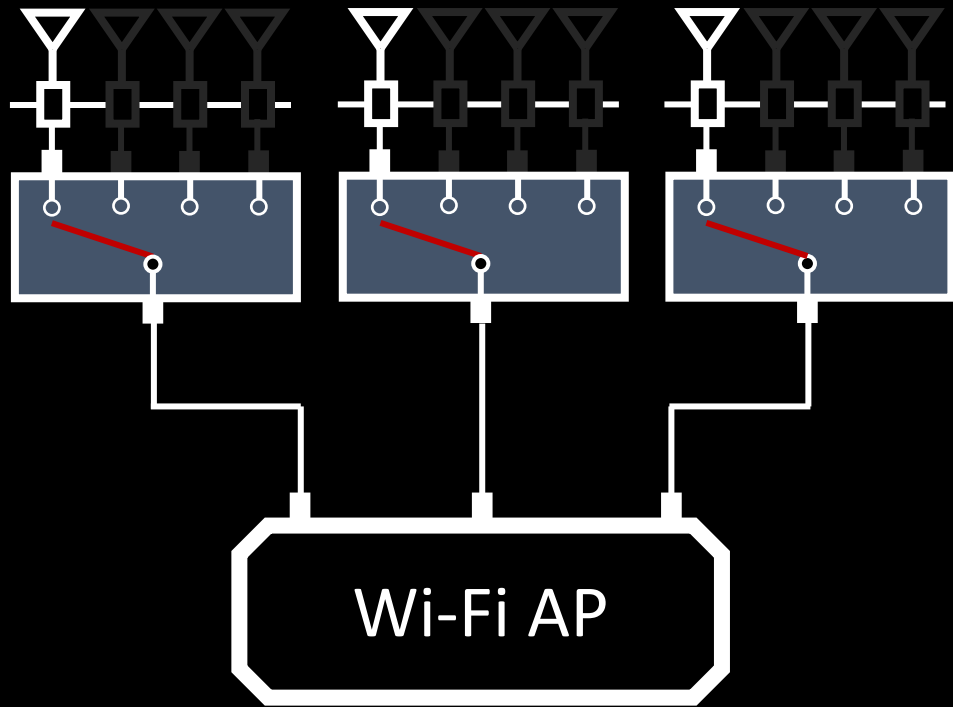
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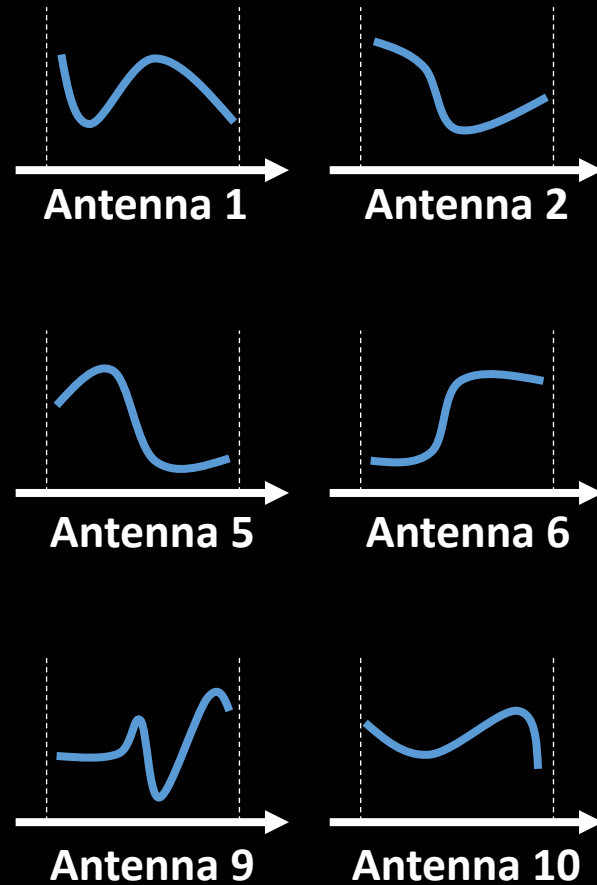
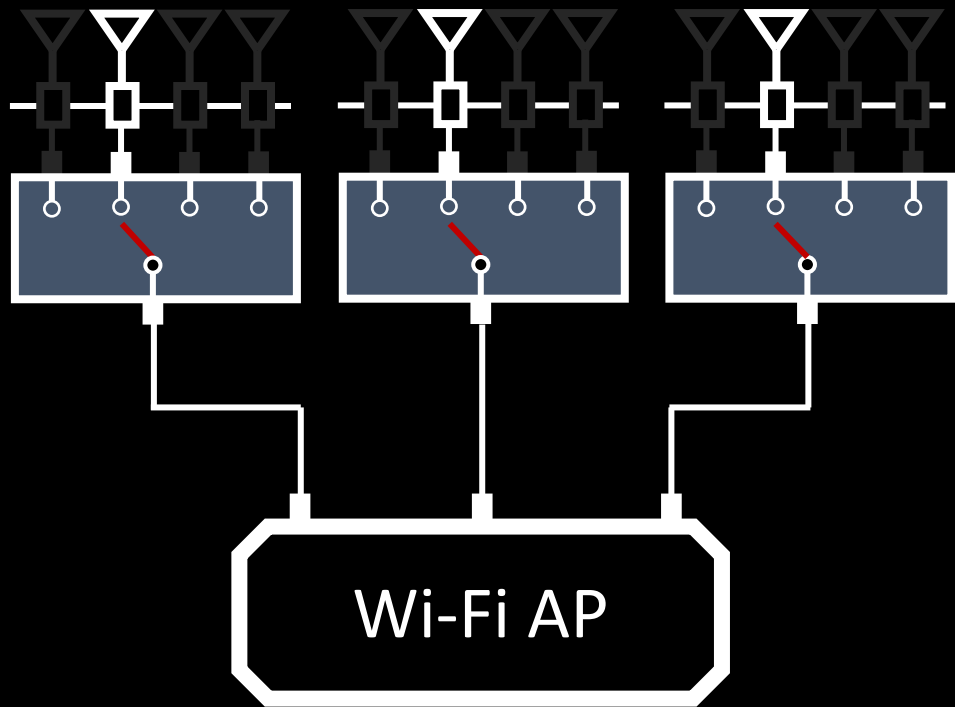
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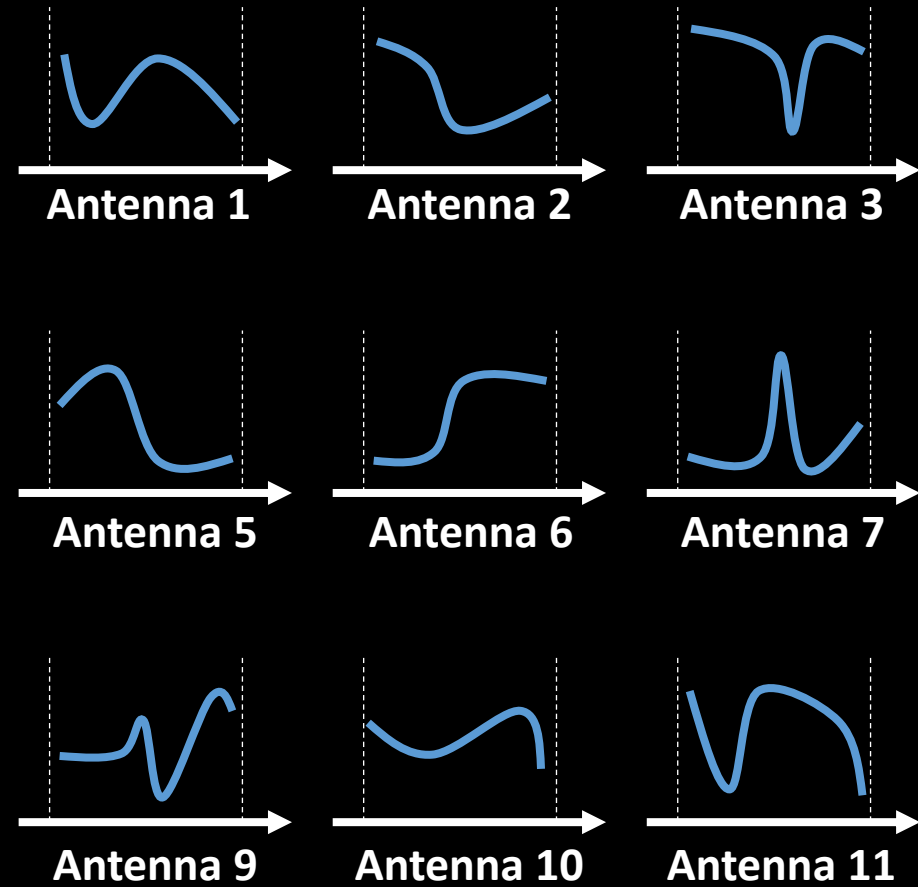
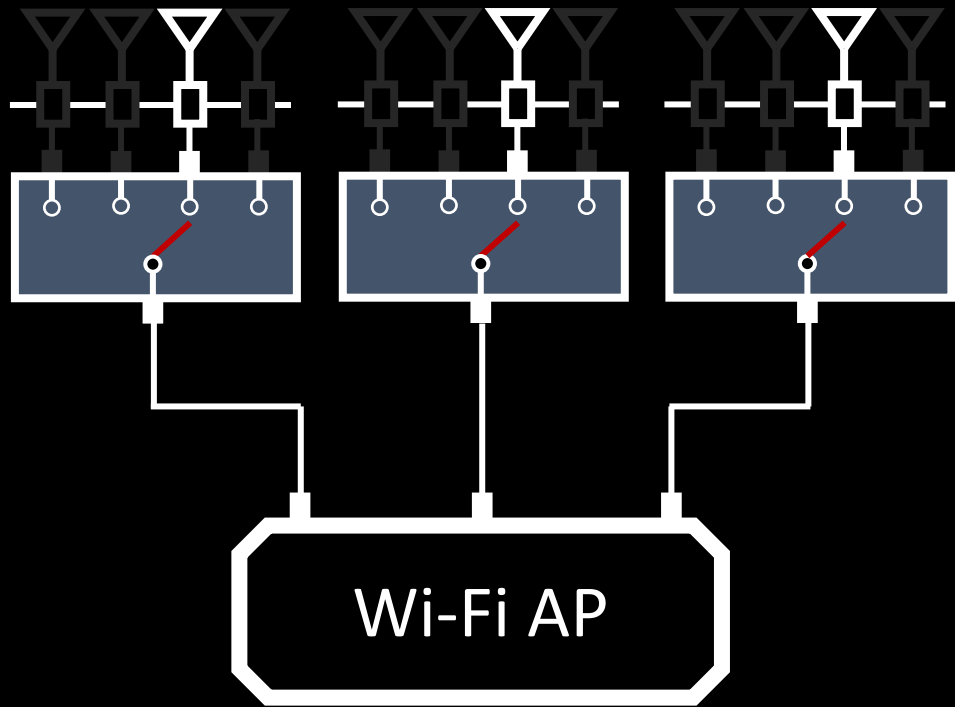
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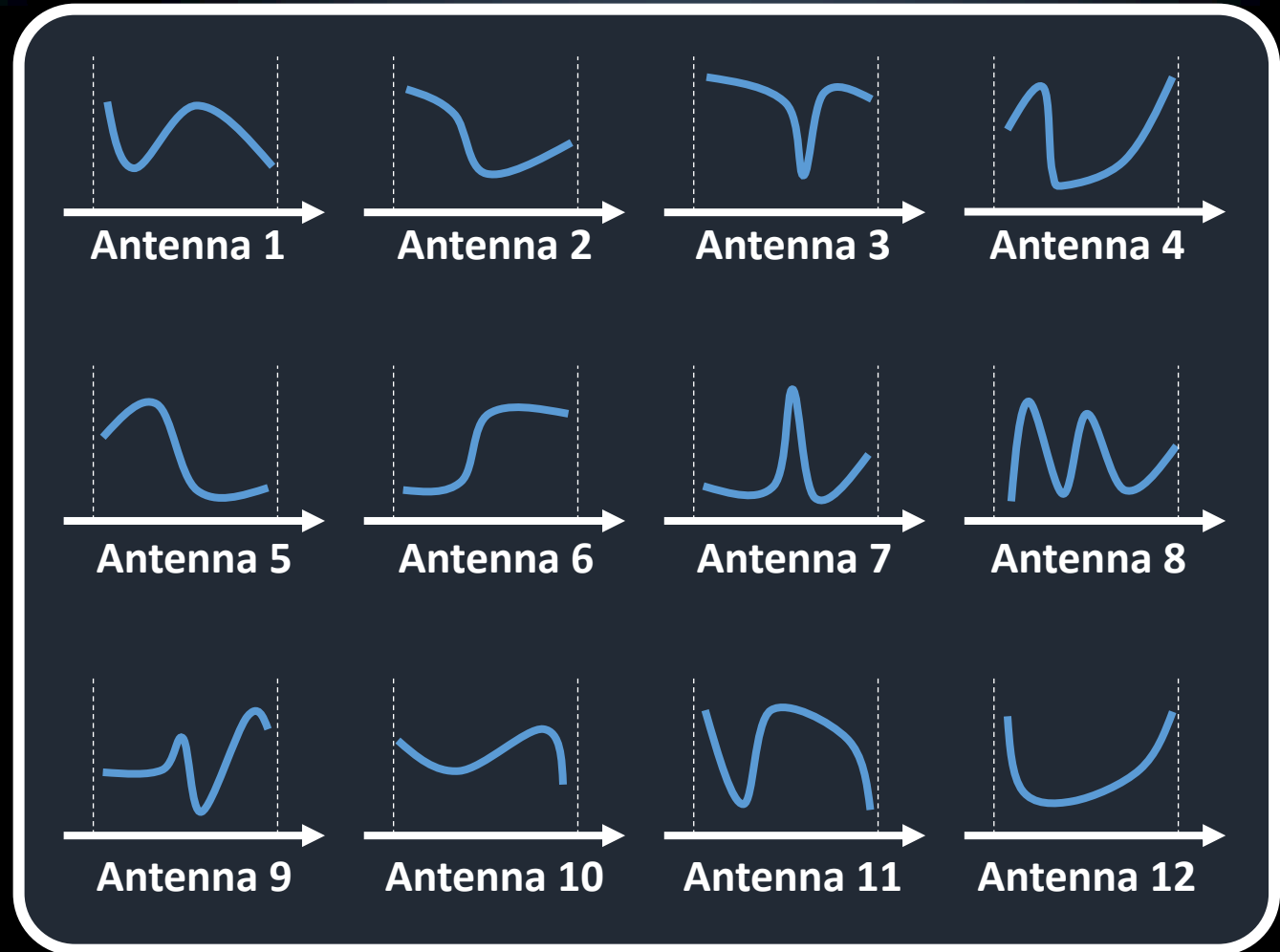
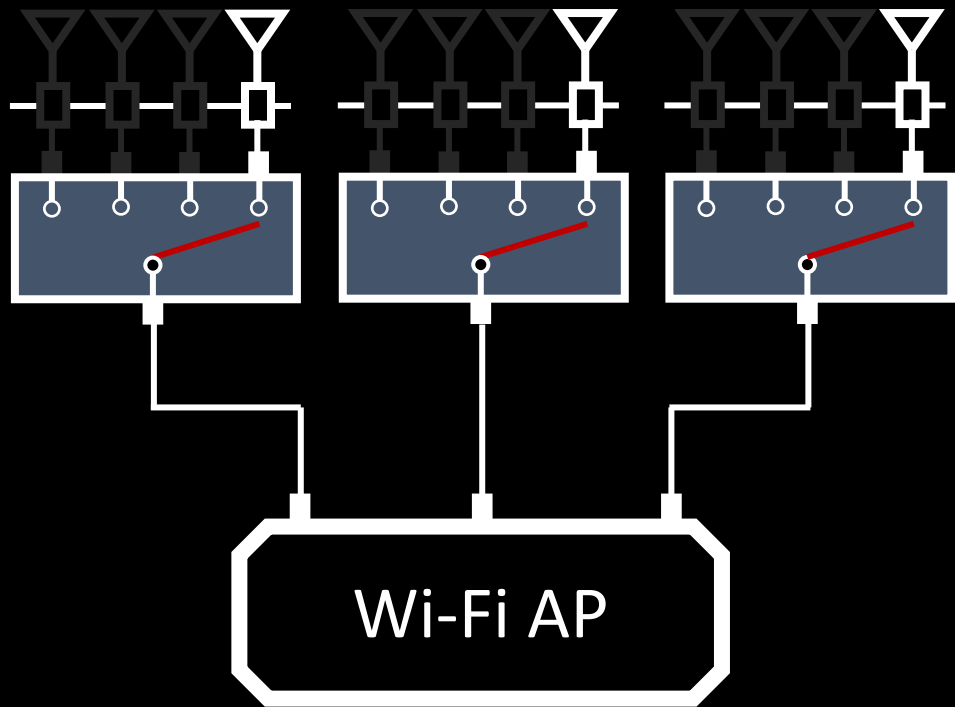
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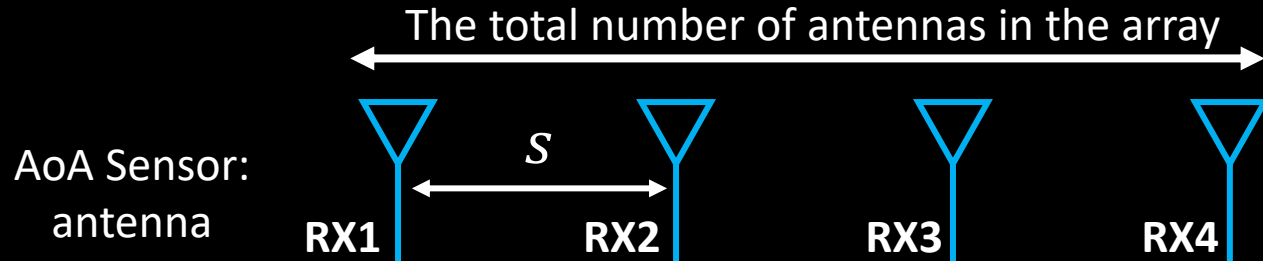
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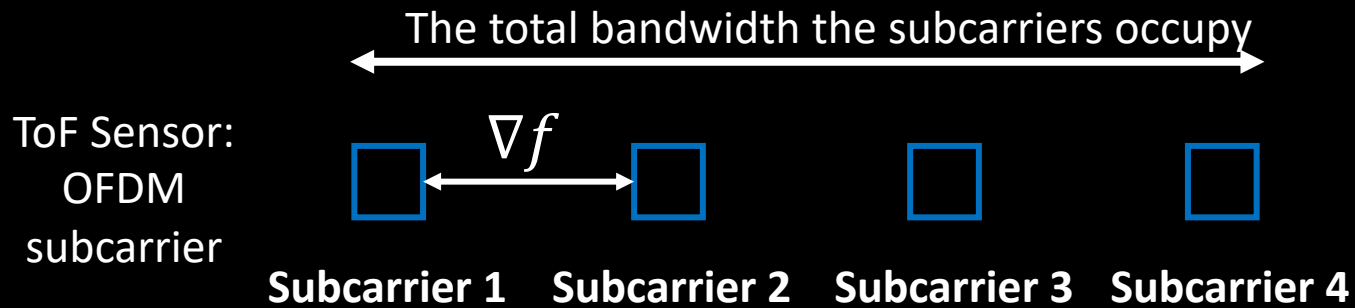


ToF and AoA: Resolution



More antennas, higher spatial resolution

Increase the number of antennas



Larger bandwidth, higher time resolution

Increase the bandwidth

Improving the ToF resolution: FMCW

Nyquist sampling theorem: *To truthfully recover a signal, we need to sample at twice the highest frequency, i.e., $2f$*

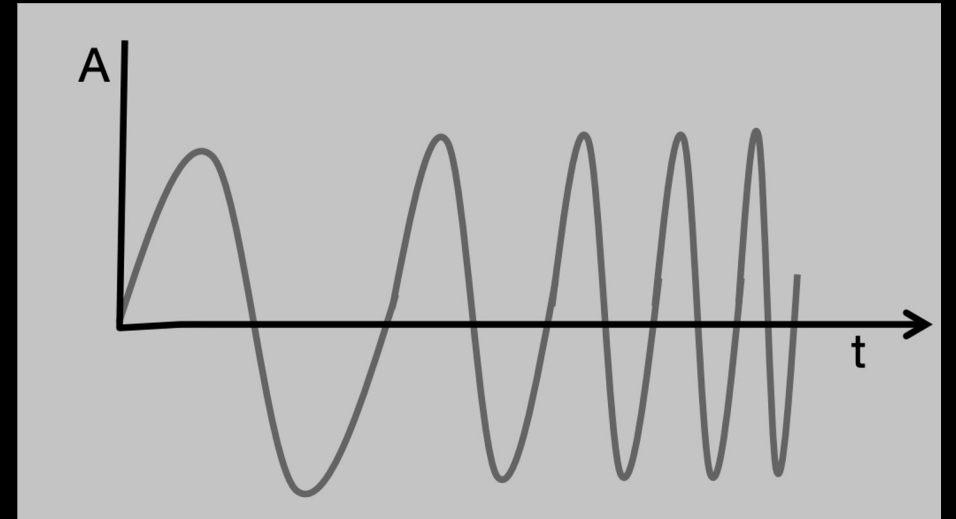
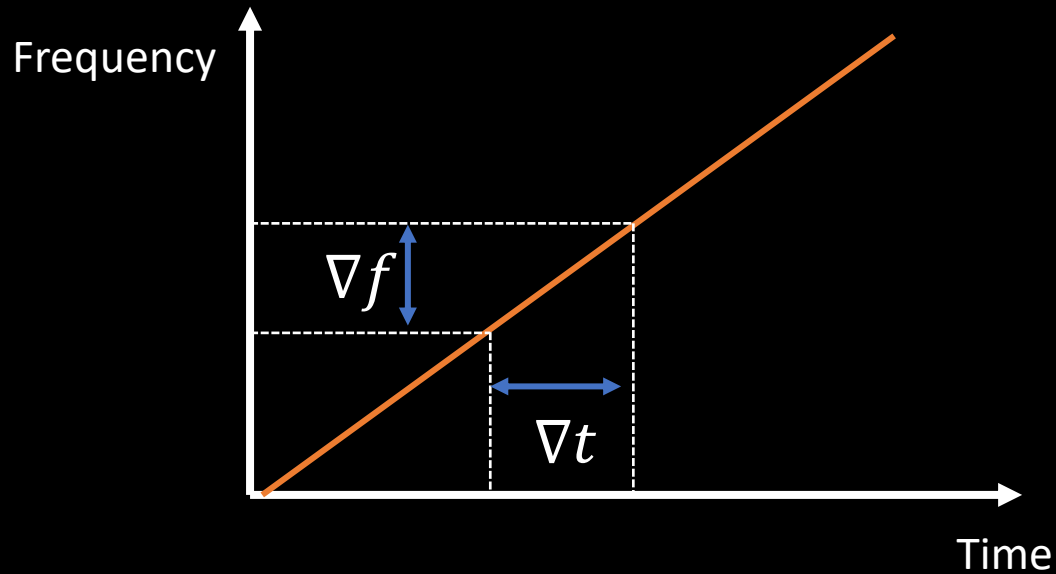
Wi-Fi bandwidth of 20 MHz requires an ADC/DAC that can sample at 40 MS/s

A signal bandwidth of 1 GHz requires an ADC/DAC that can sample at 2 GS/s

The interval between two samples is 0.5 ns !!

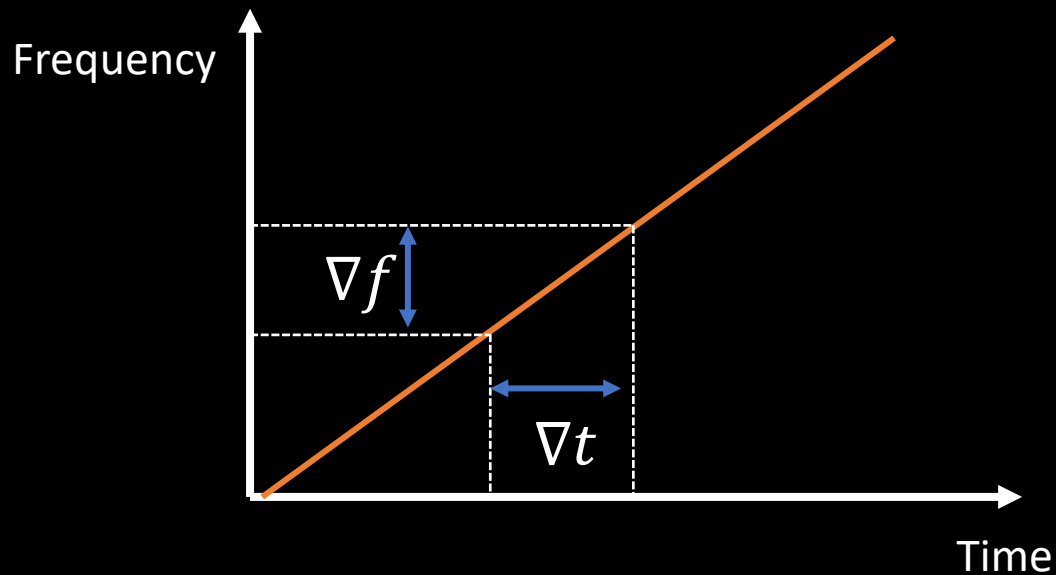
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FMCW: Frequency-Modulated Continuous Wave



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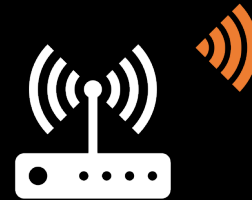
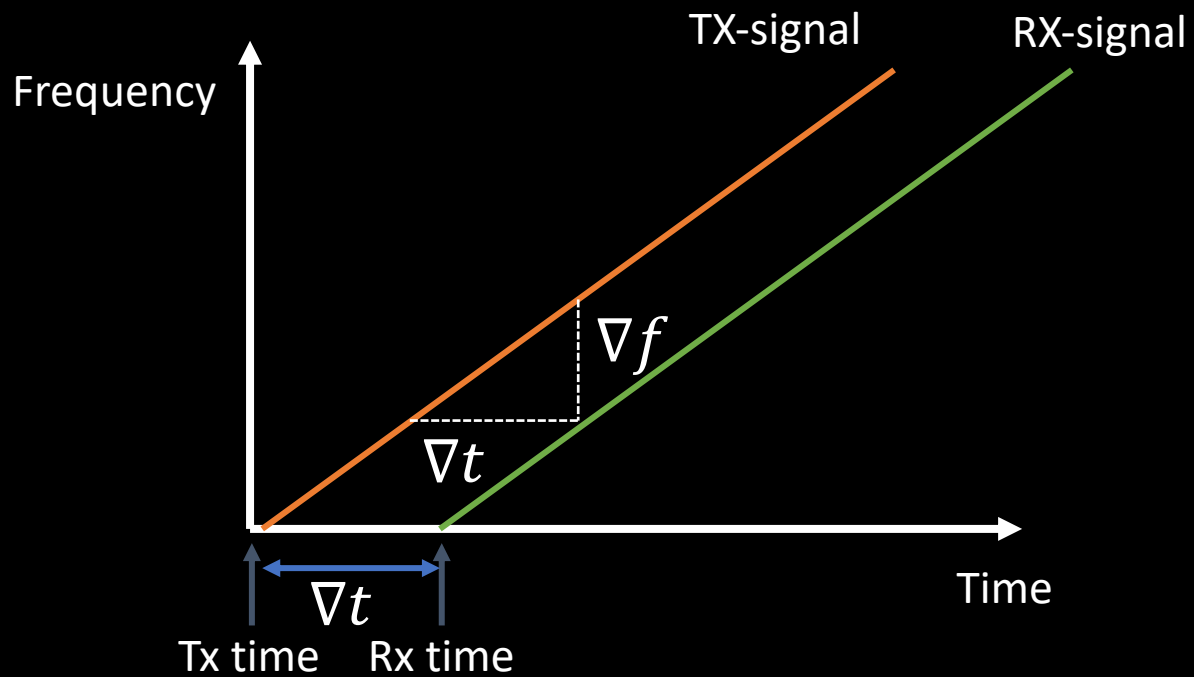


$$s(t) = \sin(2\pi f(t) \cdot t + \theta)$$

Frequency changes
linearly with time

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FMCW: Frequency-Modulated Continuous Wave



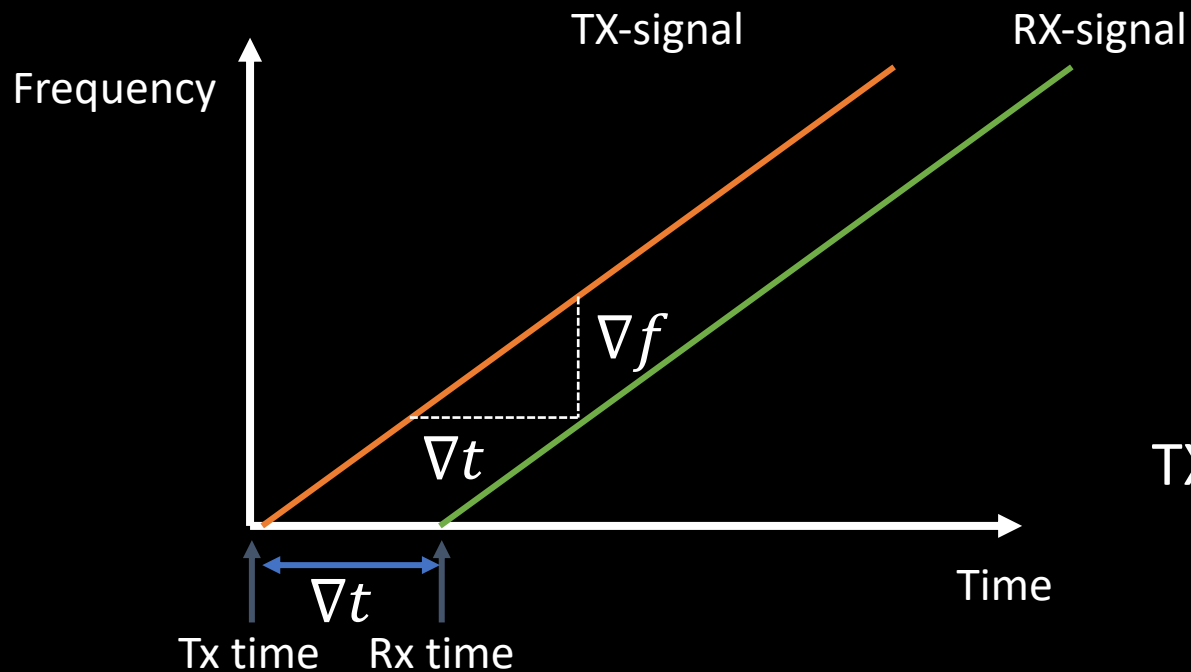
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$$\sin(2\pi ft) \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{⊗} \\ \uparrow \\ \cos(2\pi f_c t) \end{array} \rightarrow \sin(2\pi ft) \cdot \cos(2\pi f_c t) = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(2\pi(f_c + f)t) - \sin(2\pi(f_c - f)t)]$$

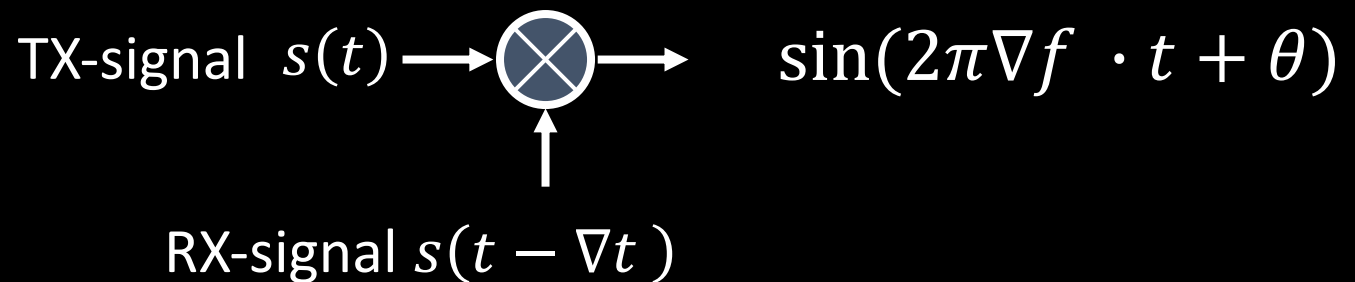
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$$s(t - \nabla t) = \sin(2\pi f(t - \nabla t) \cdot t + \theta)$$



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