

Seeing the bigger picture: context-aware regulations

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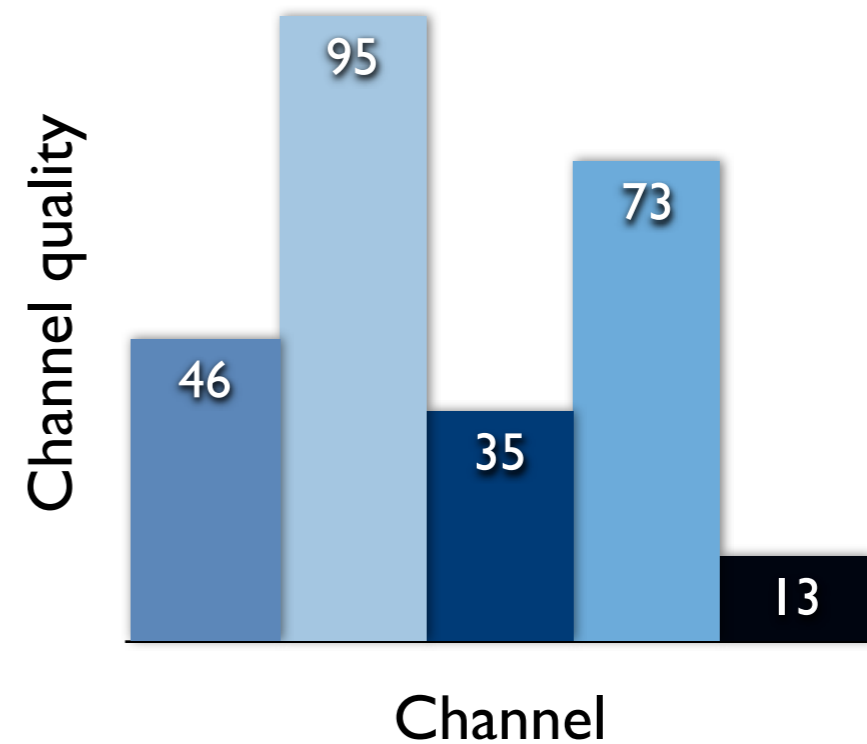


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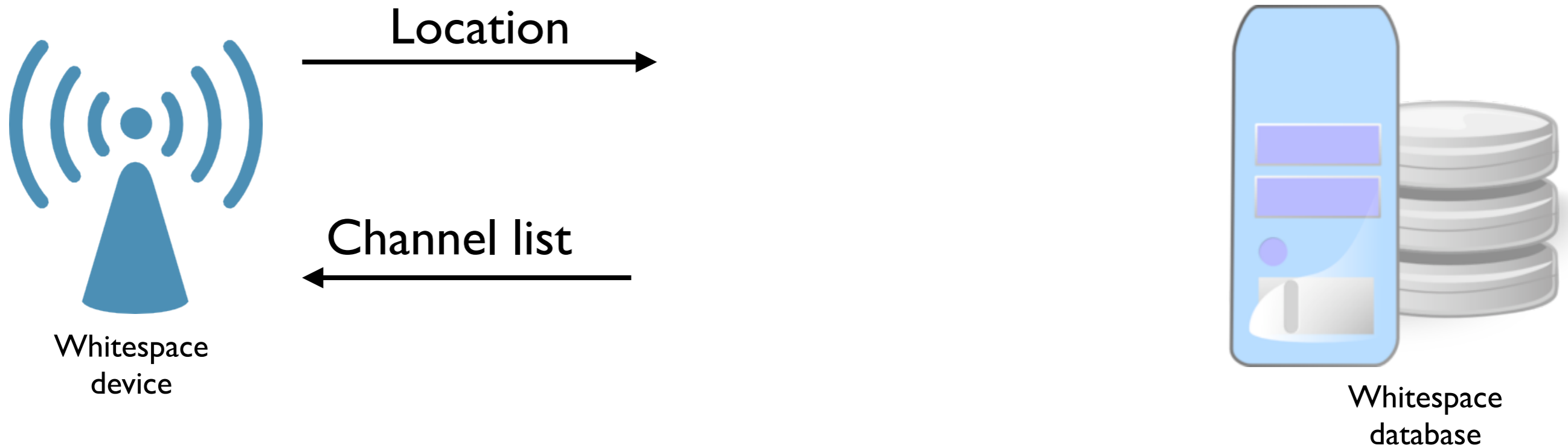


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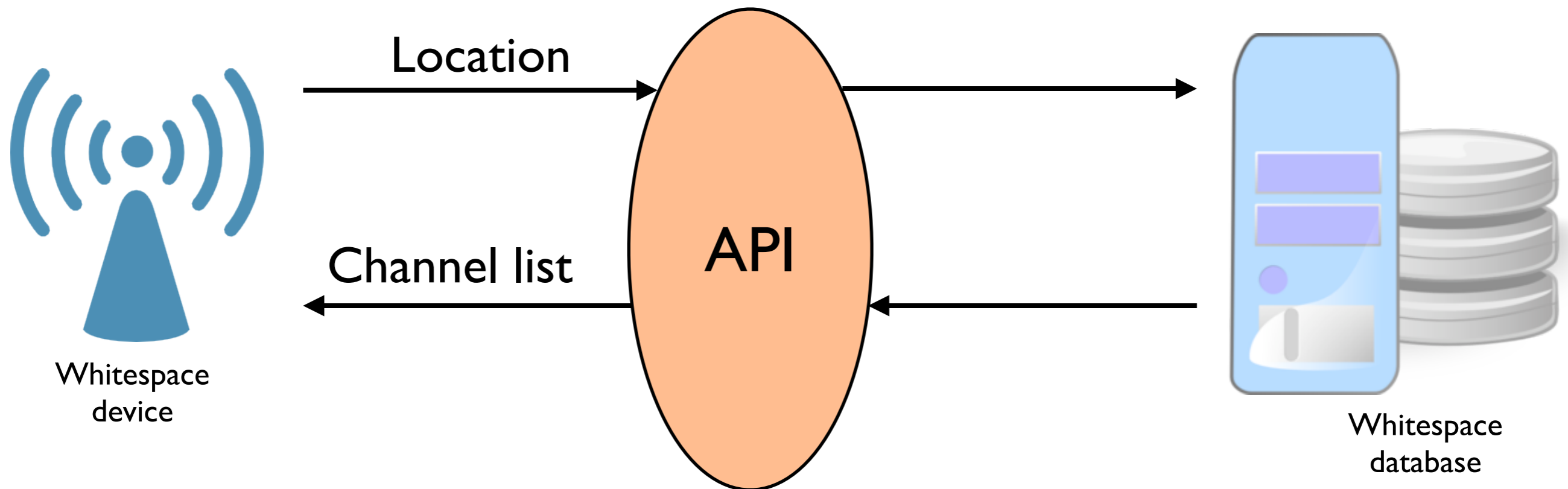


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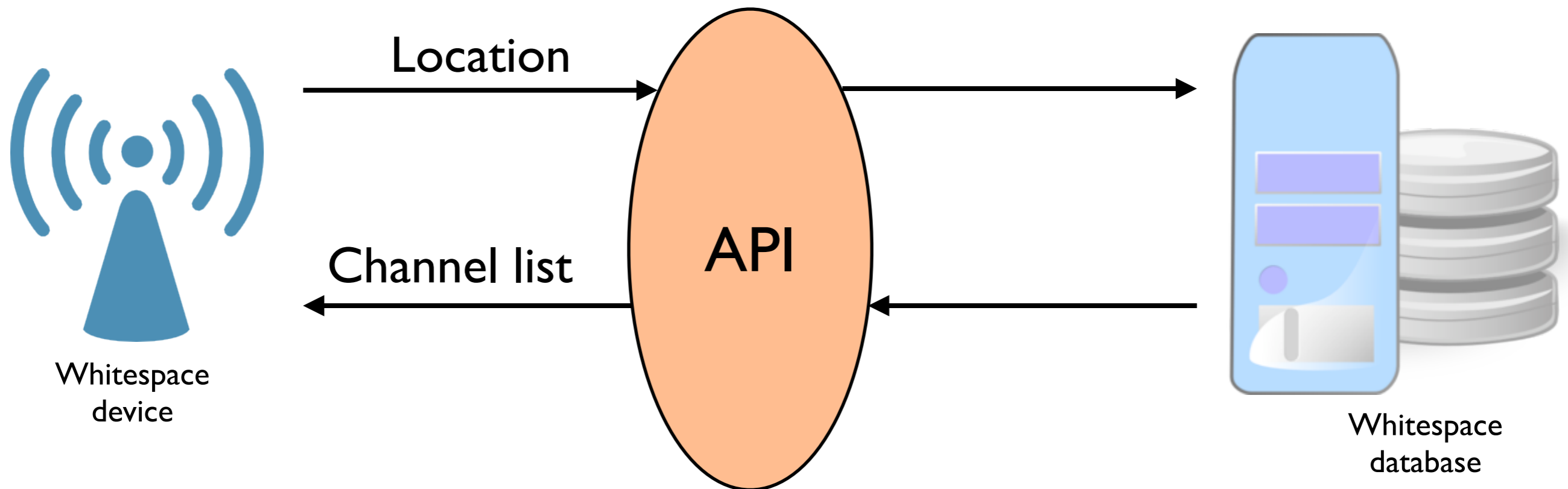
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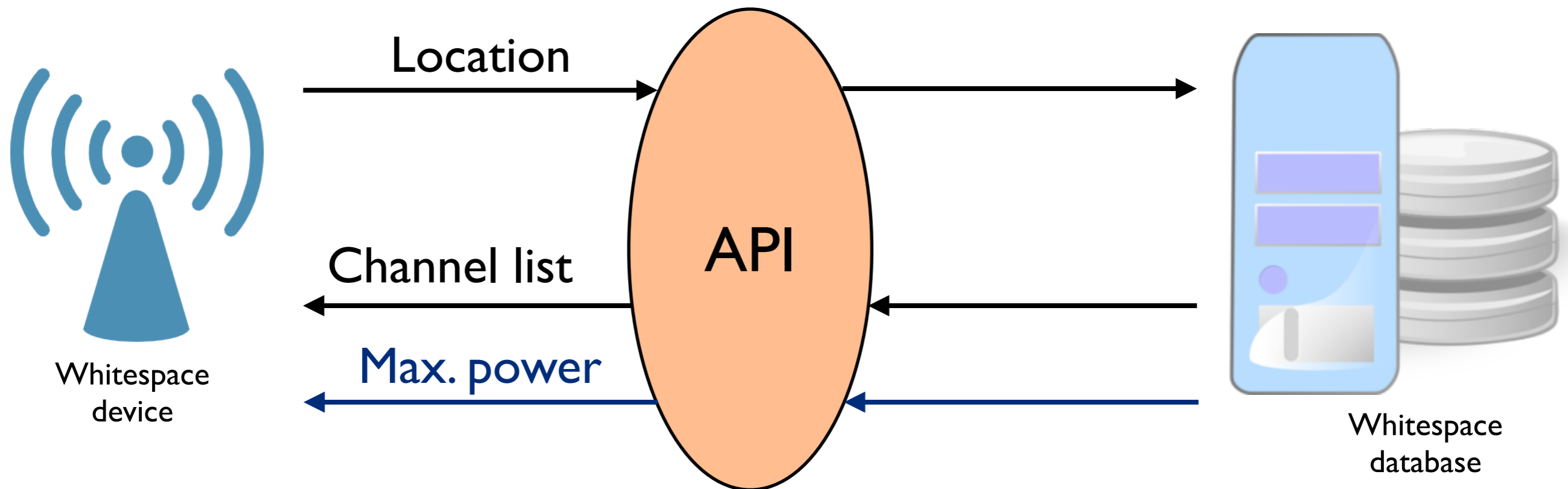


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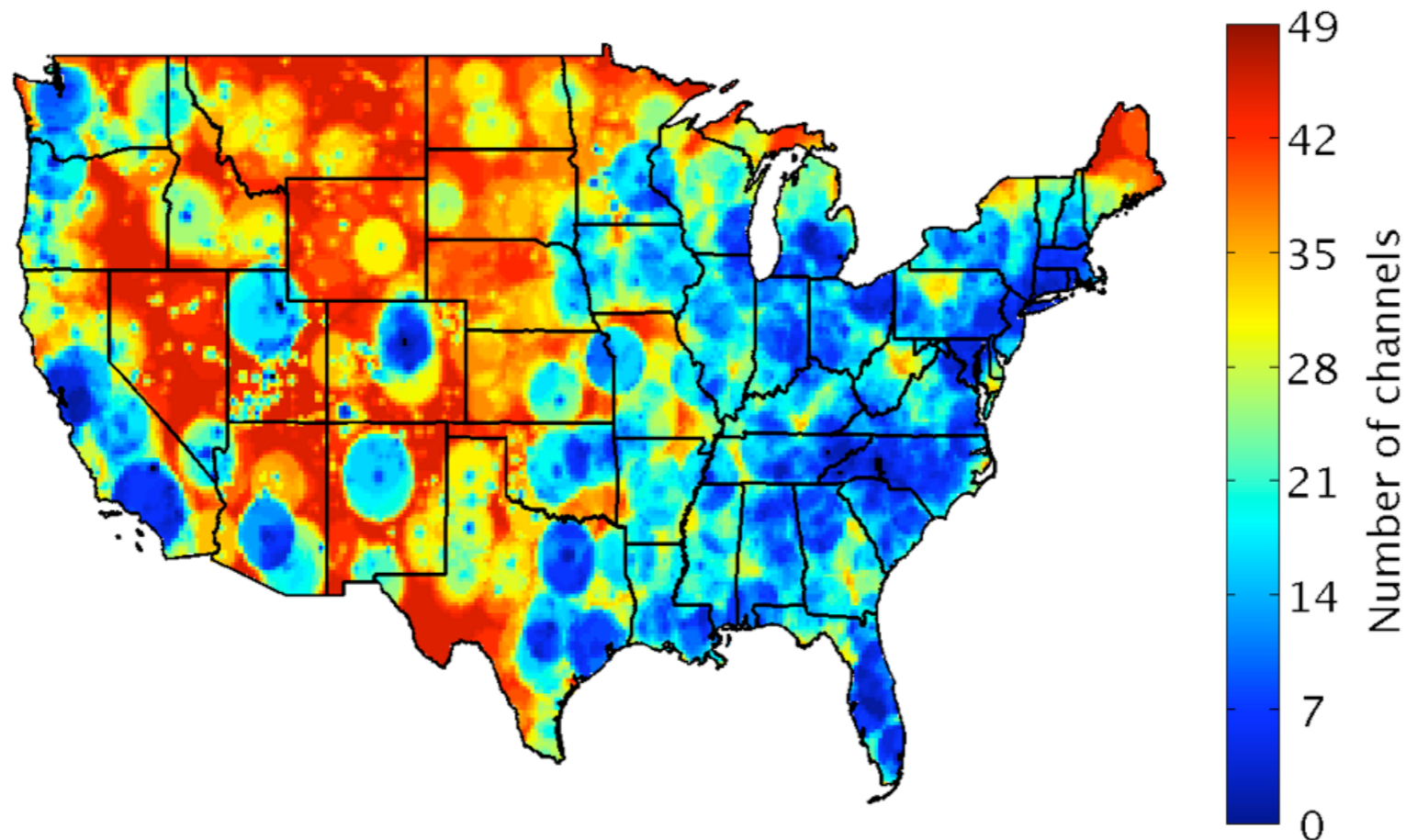
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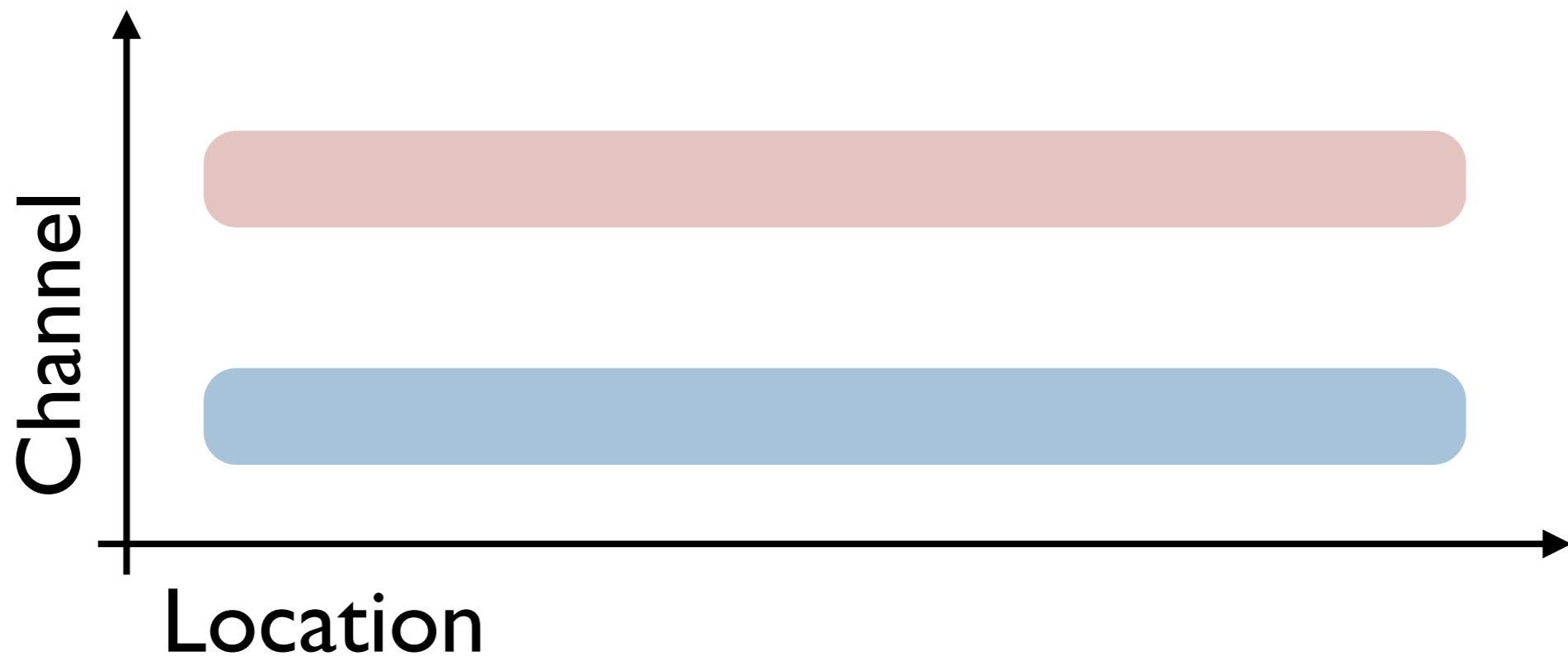
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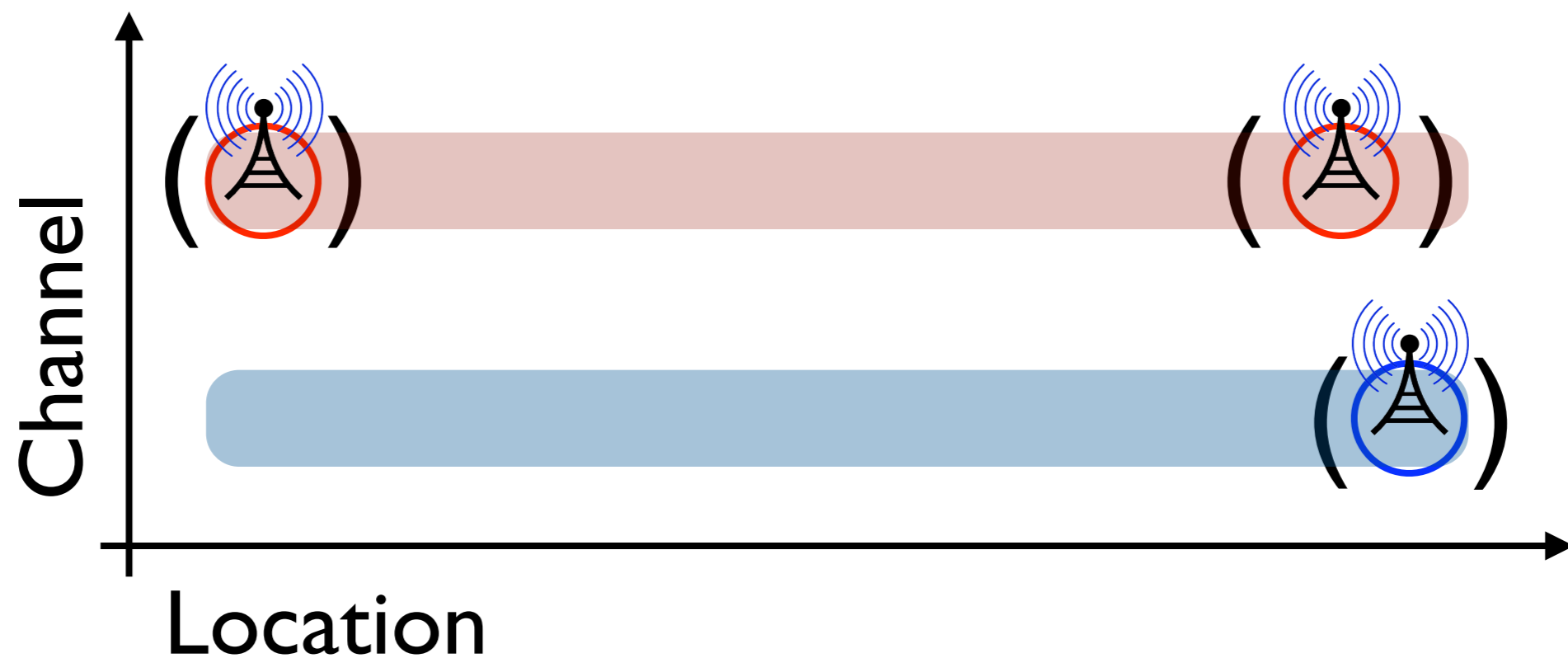
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- Use trading to gain efficiency (Coase theorem)



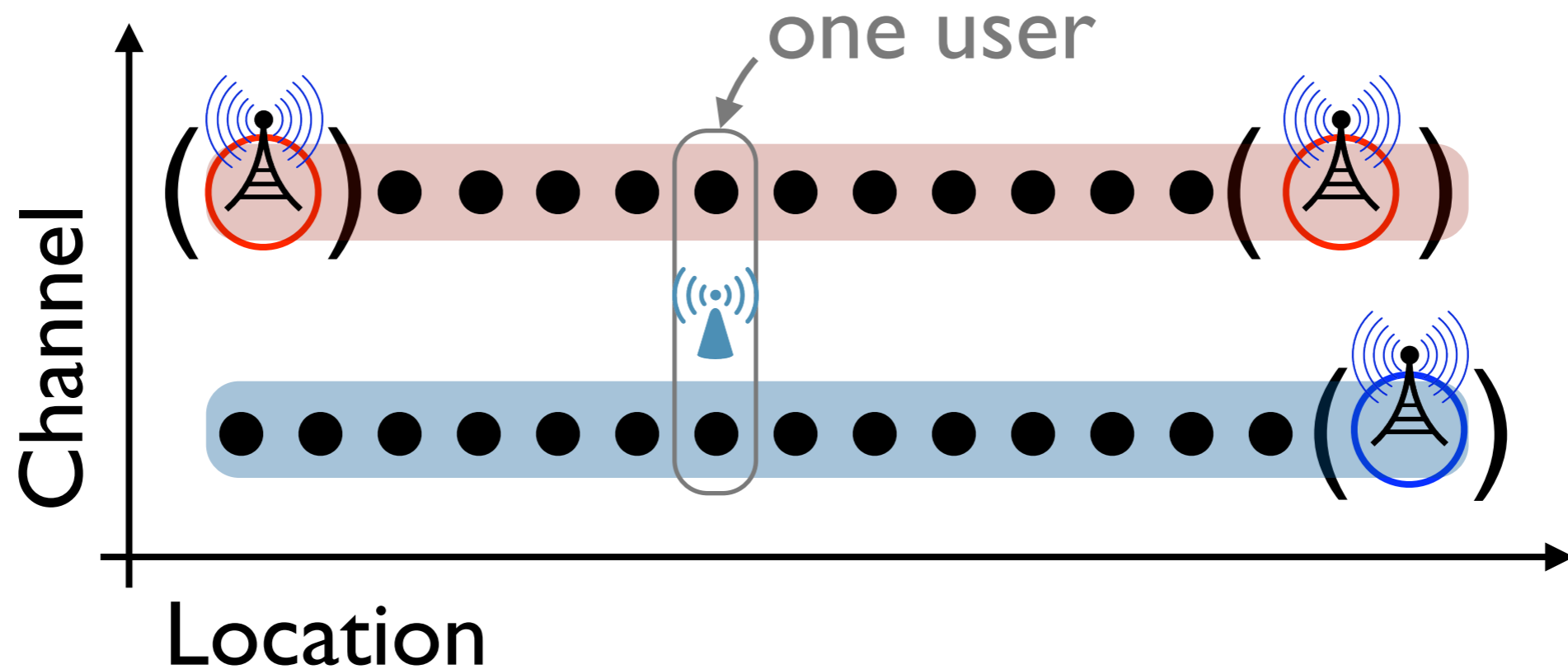
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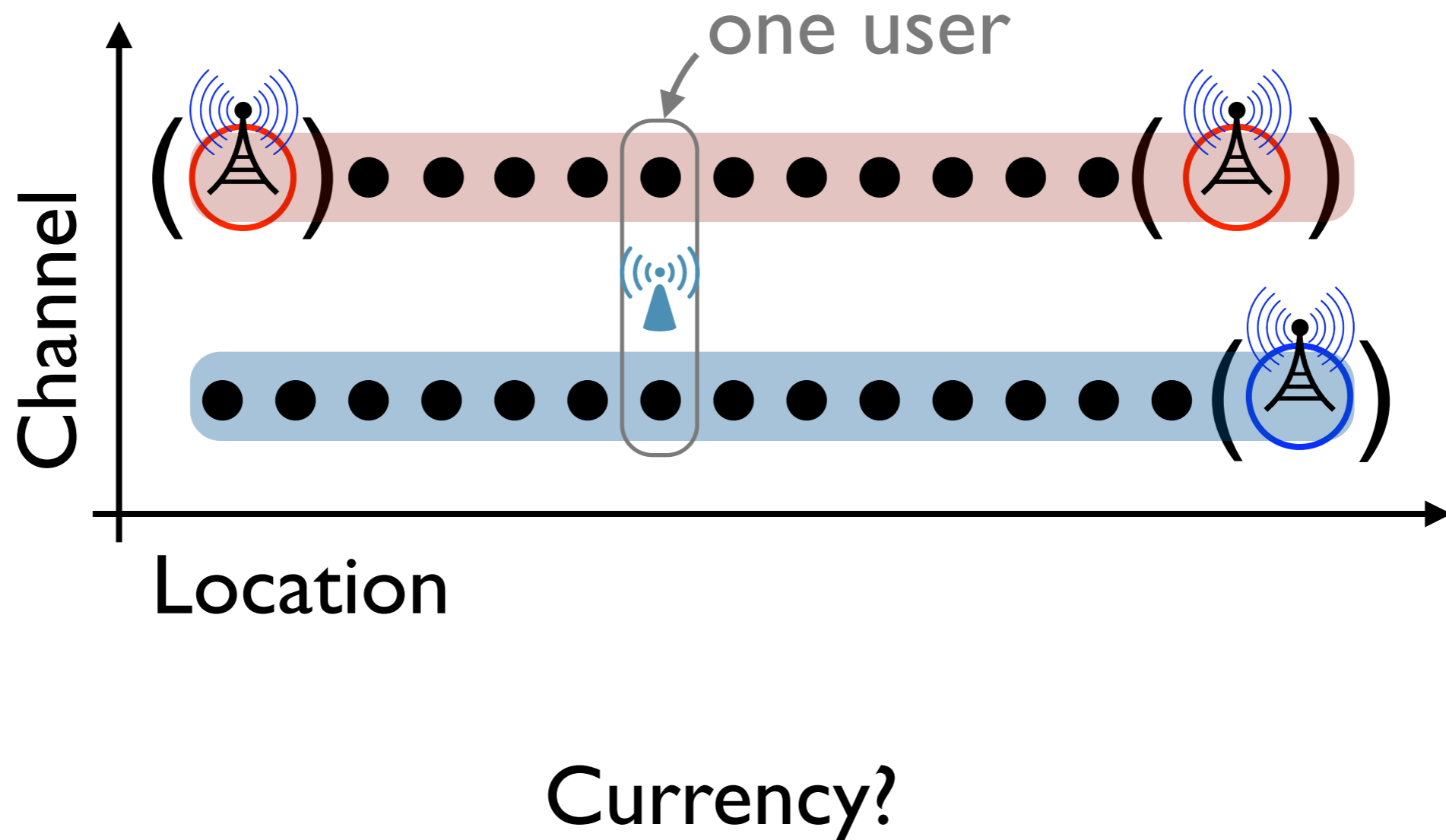
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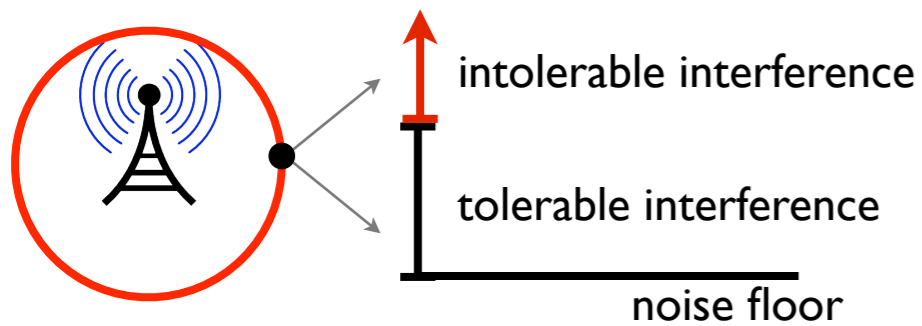
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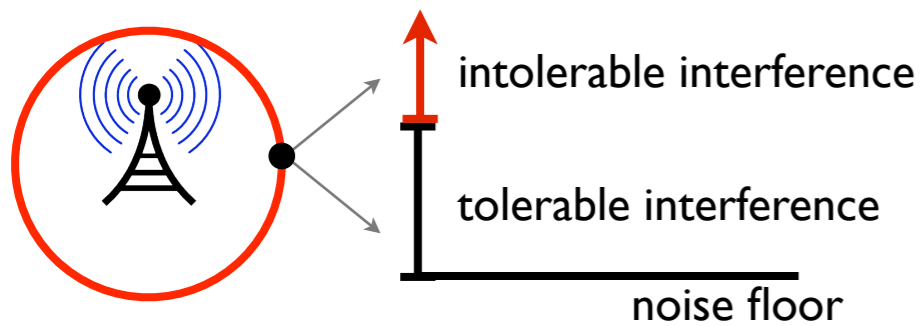
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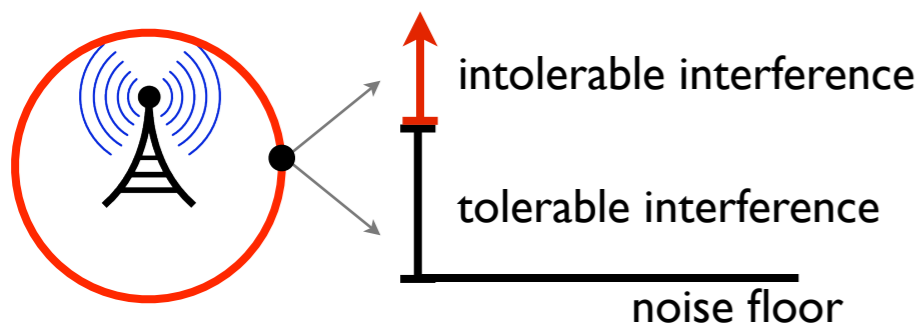
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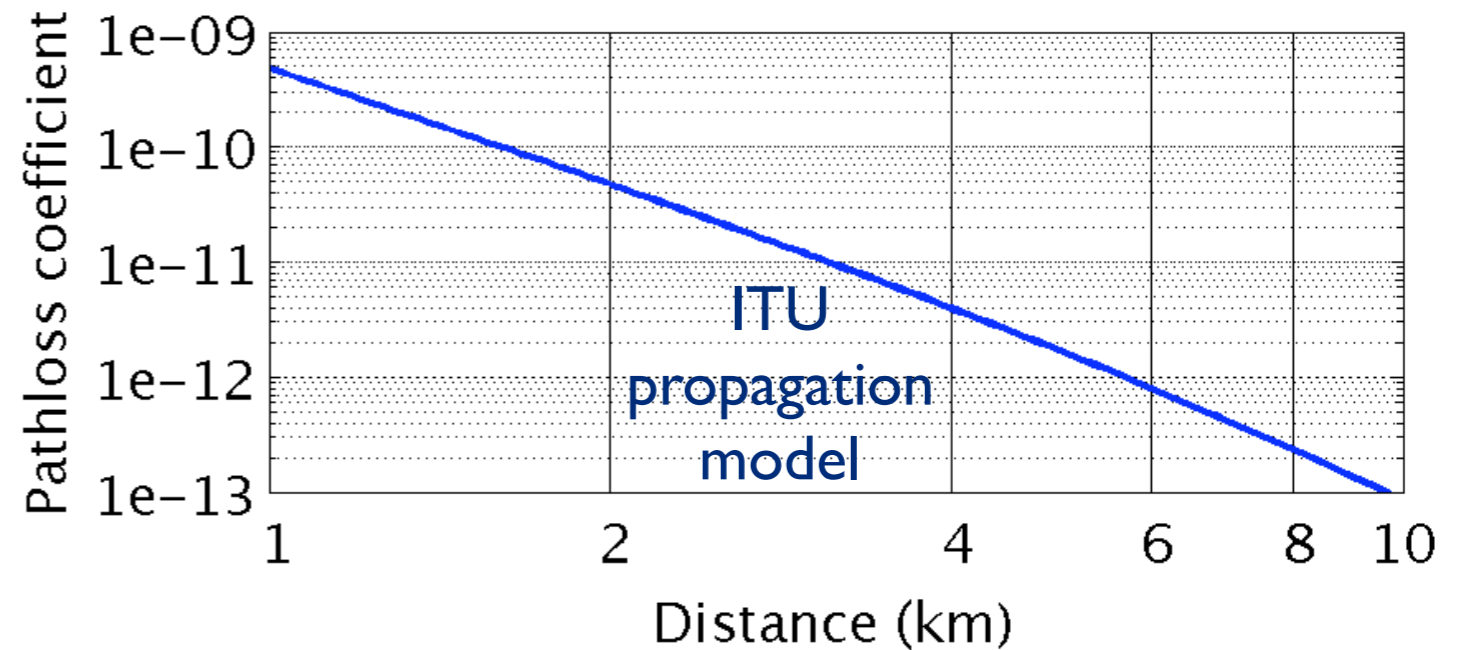
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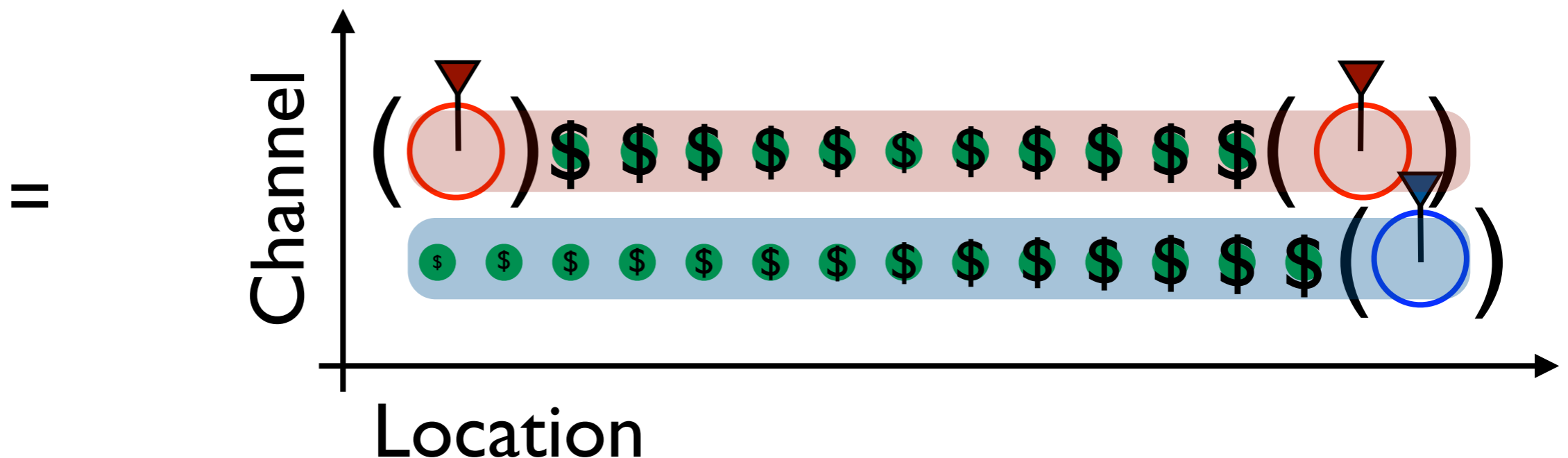
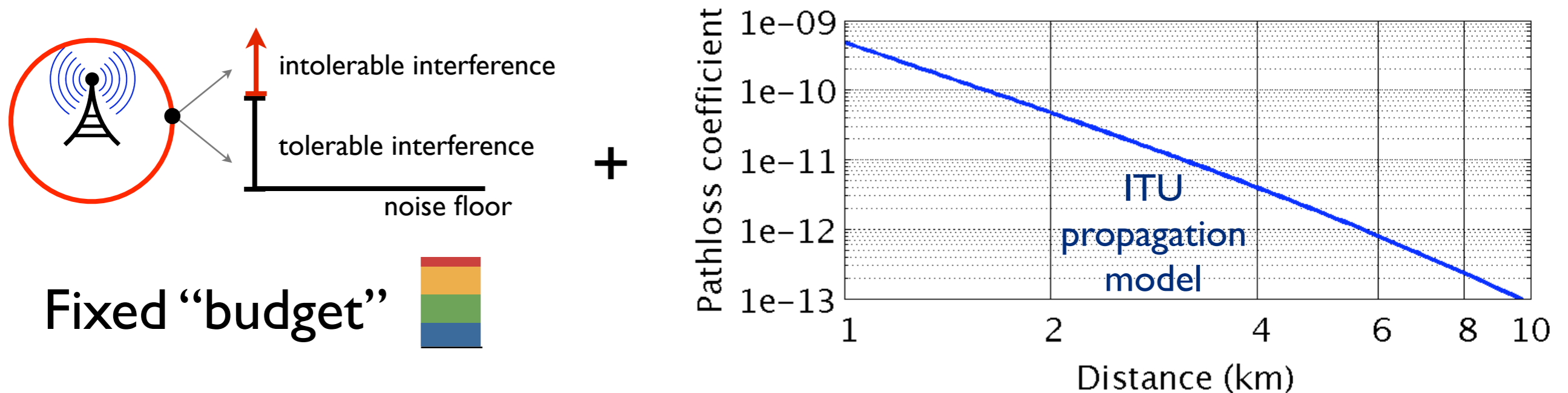
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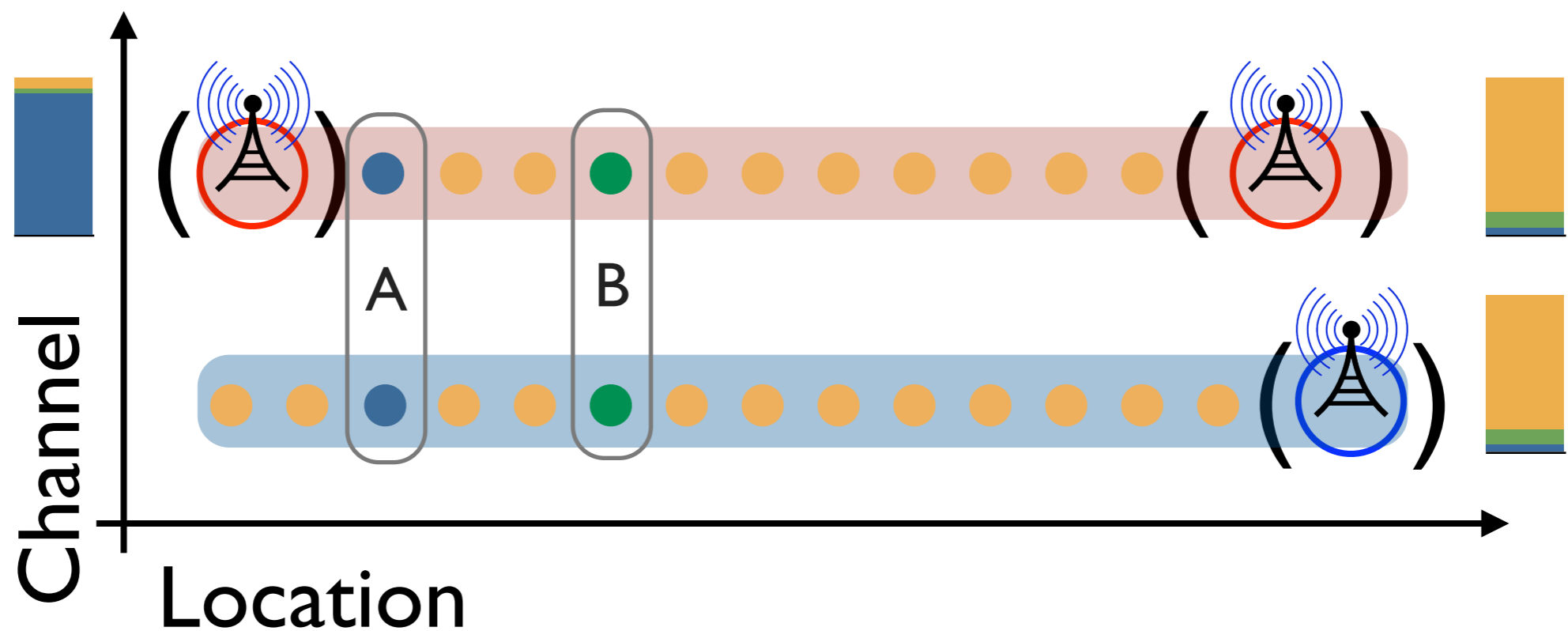
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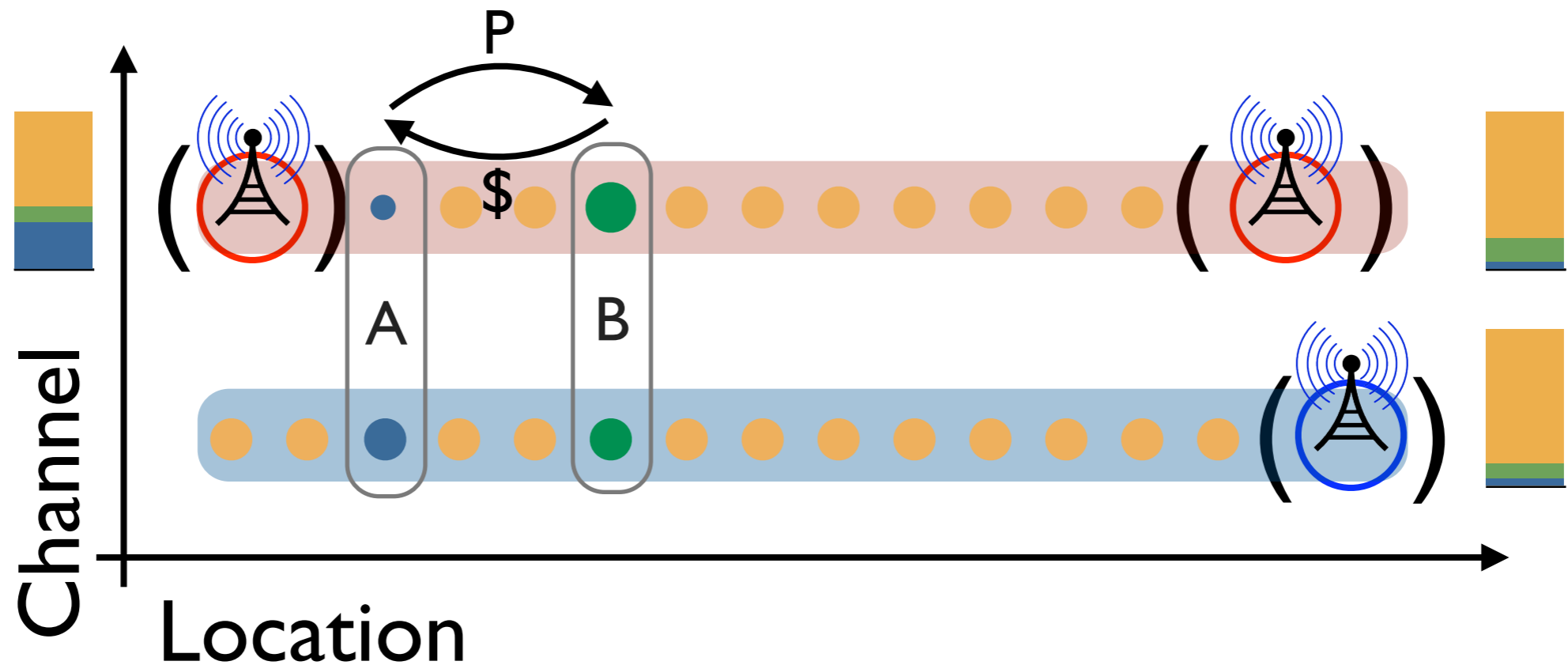


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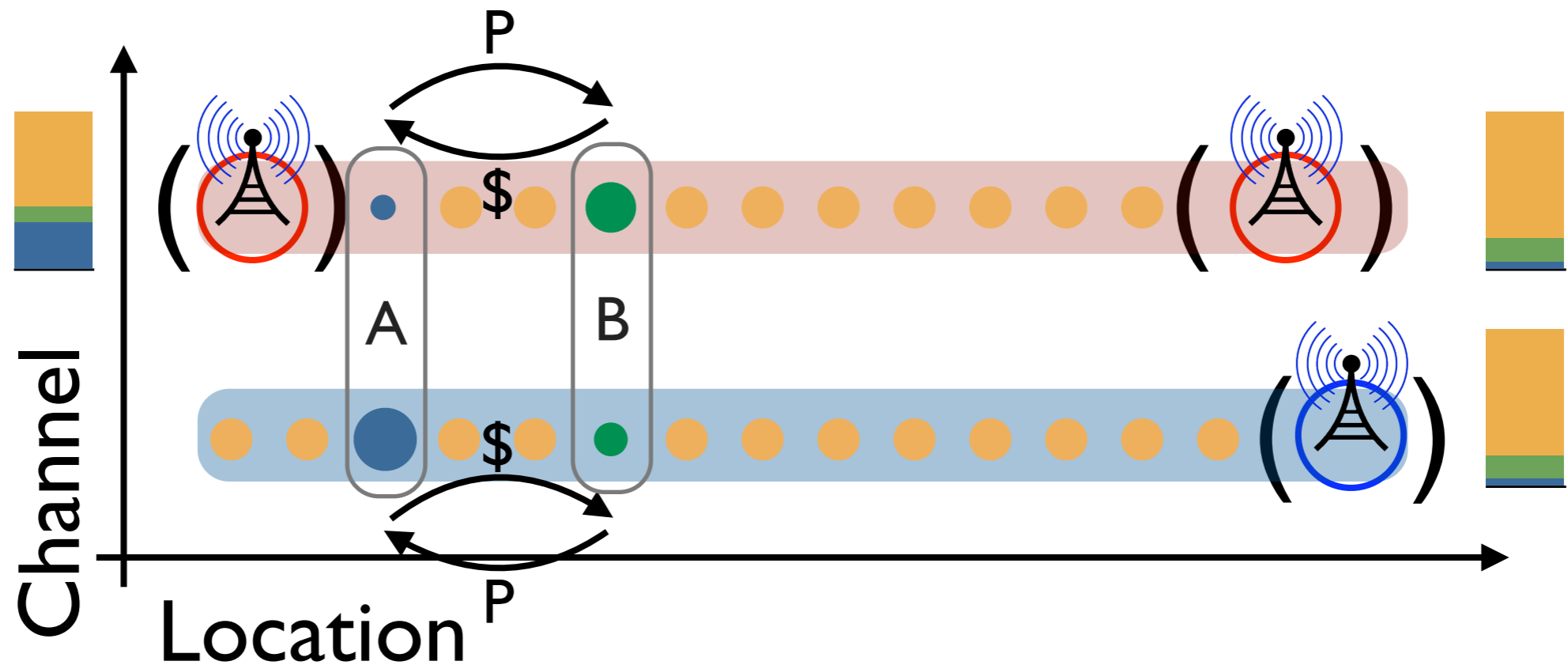
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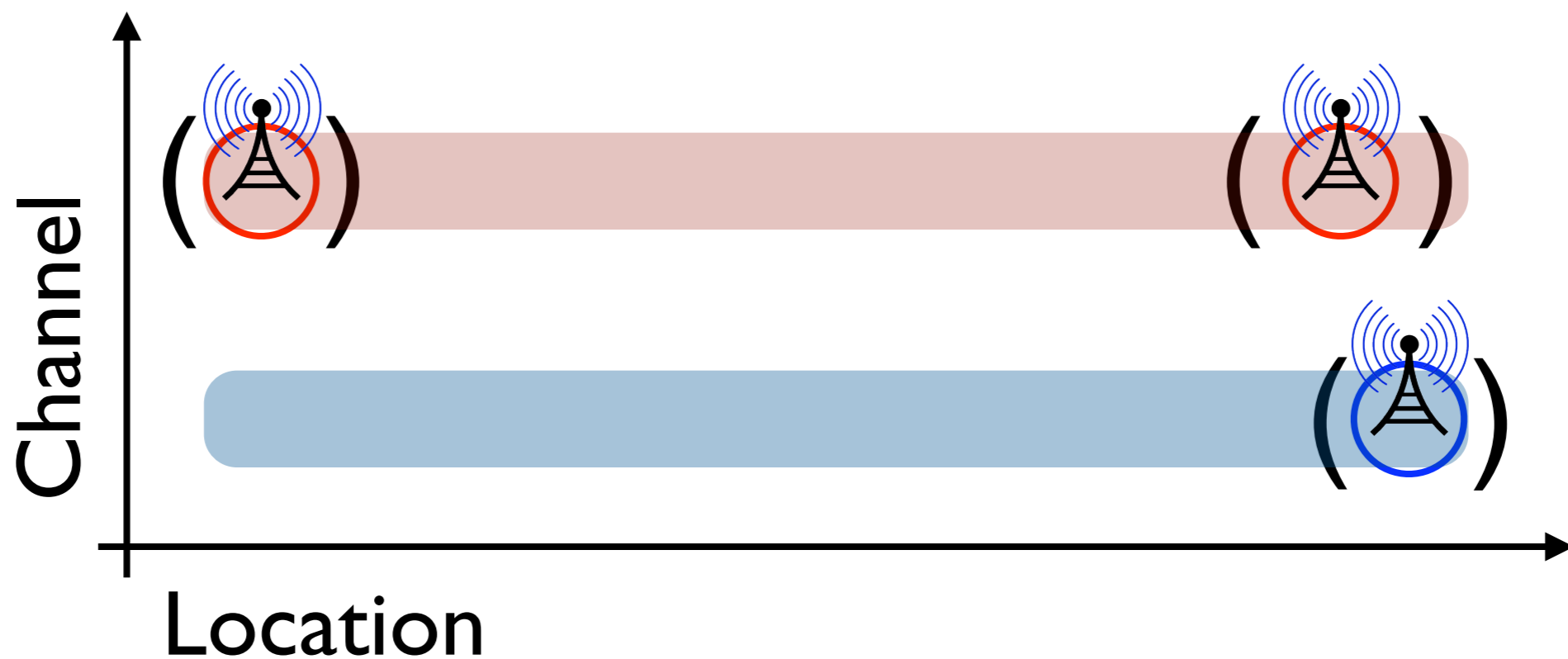
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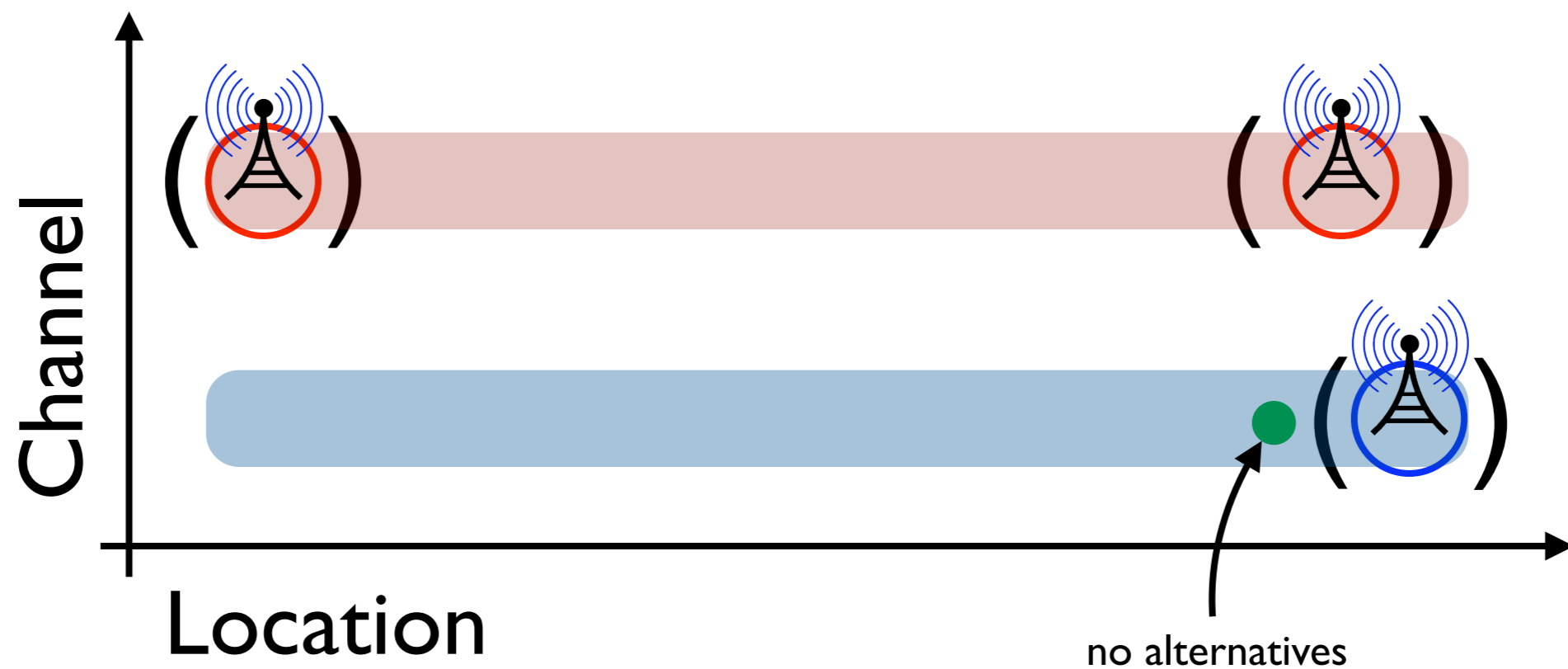
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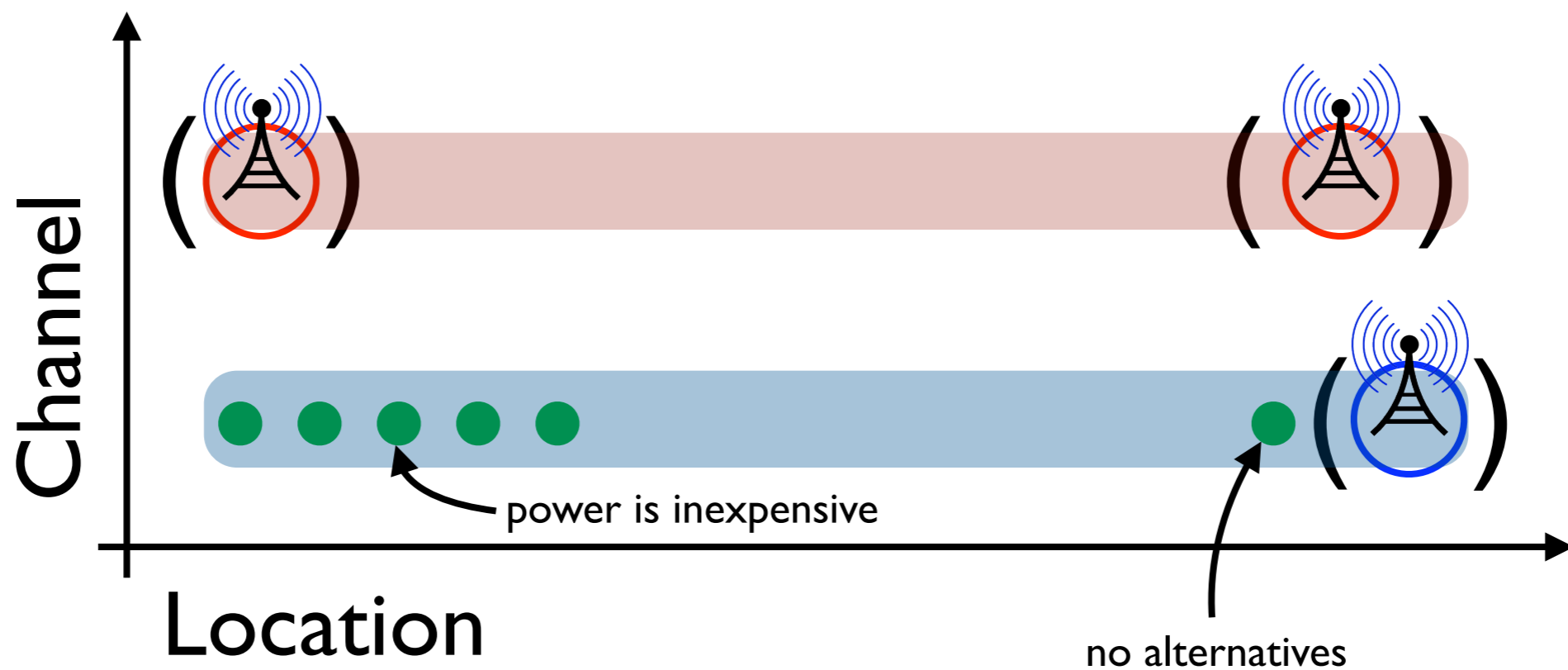
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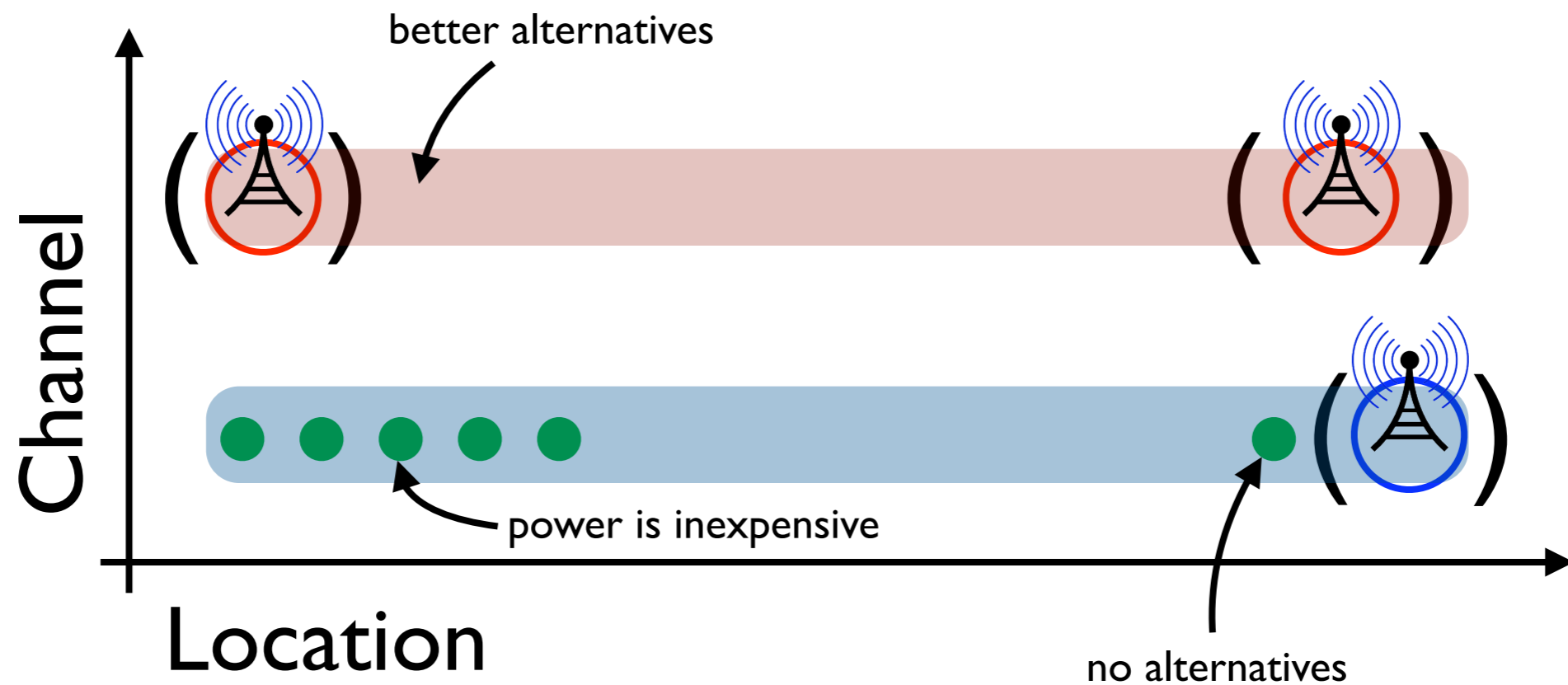
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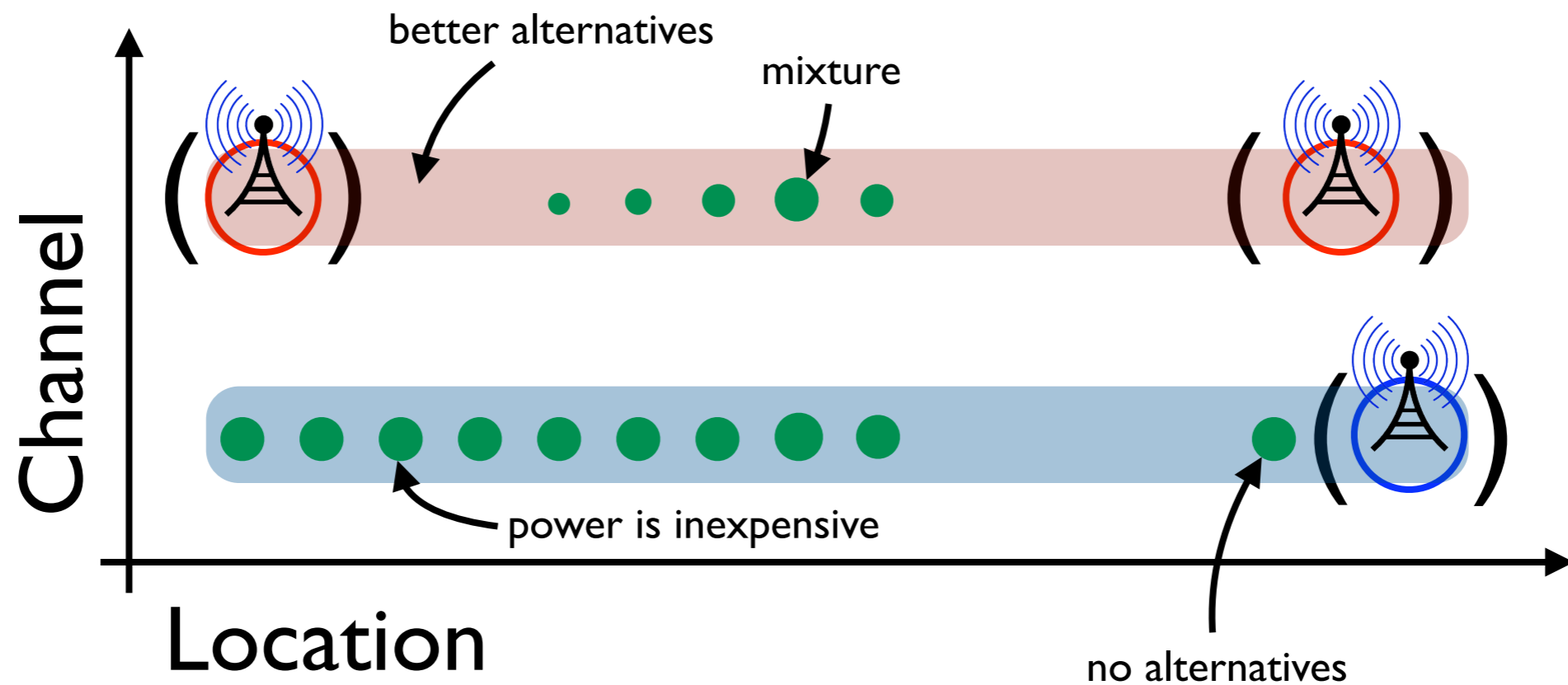
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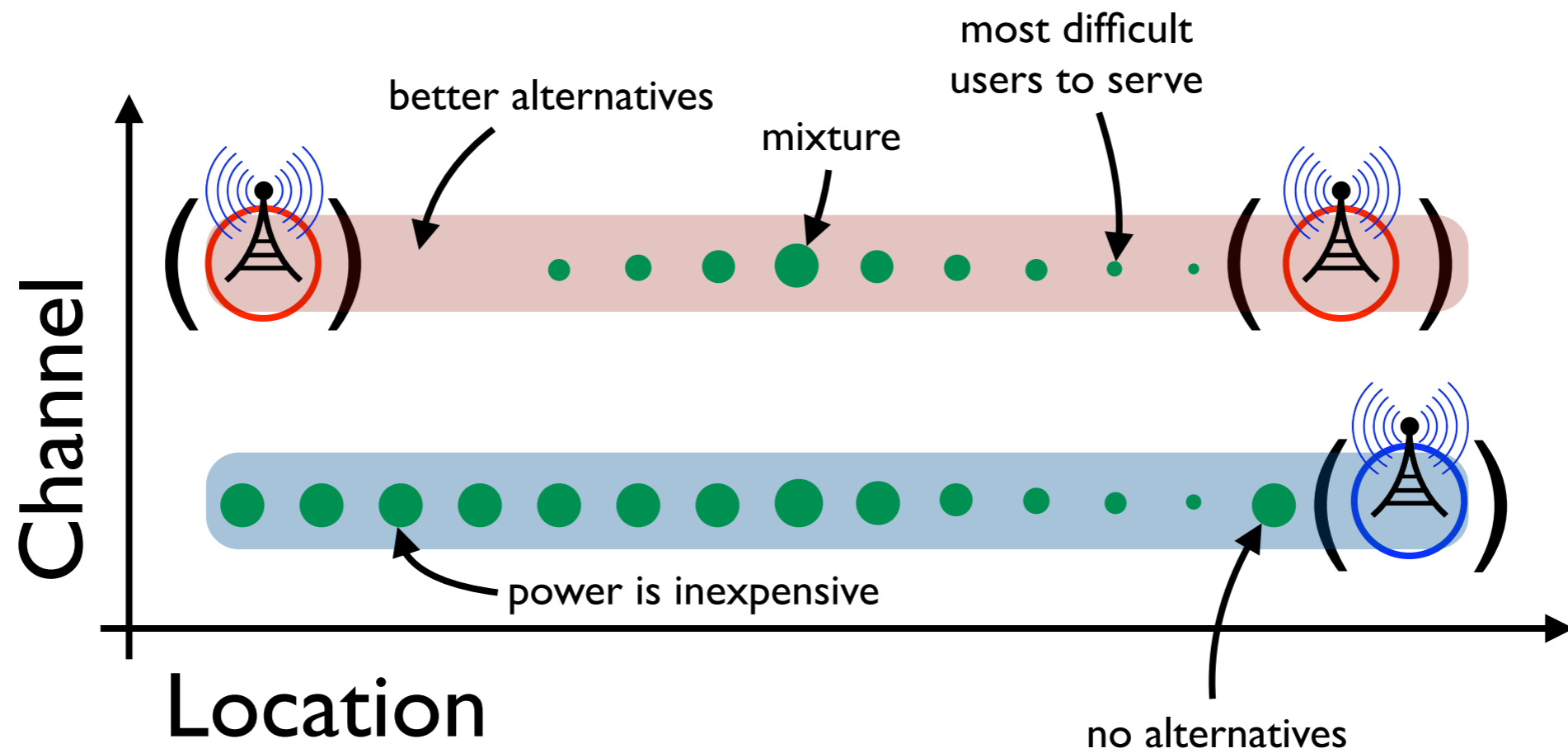
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Practical problems with trading

Many participants



TRANSACTION COSTS



Constraints
on devices

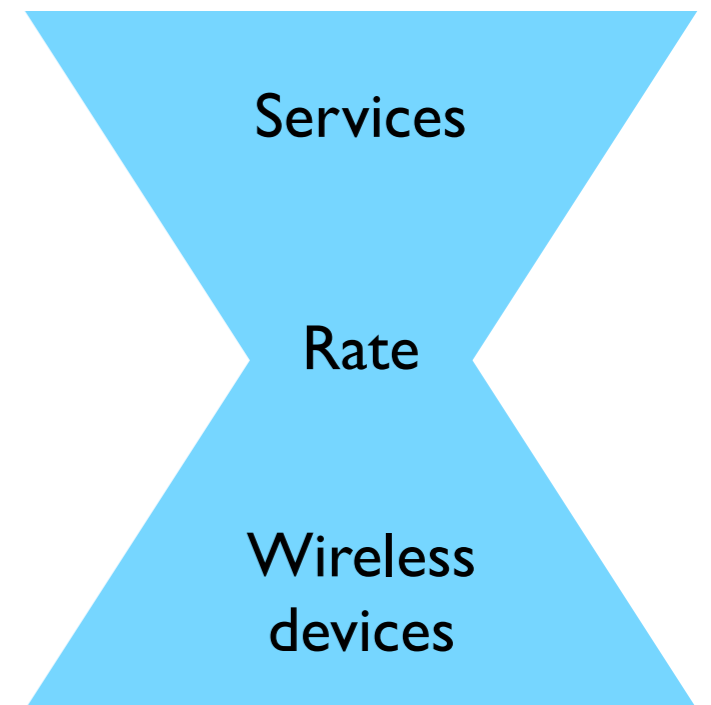
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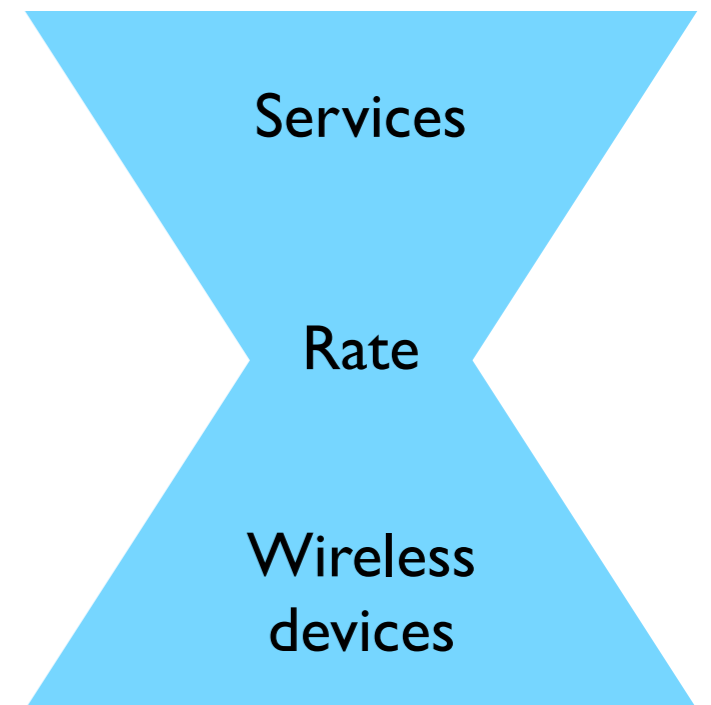
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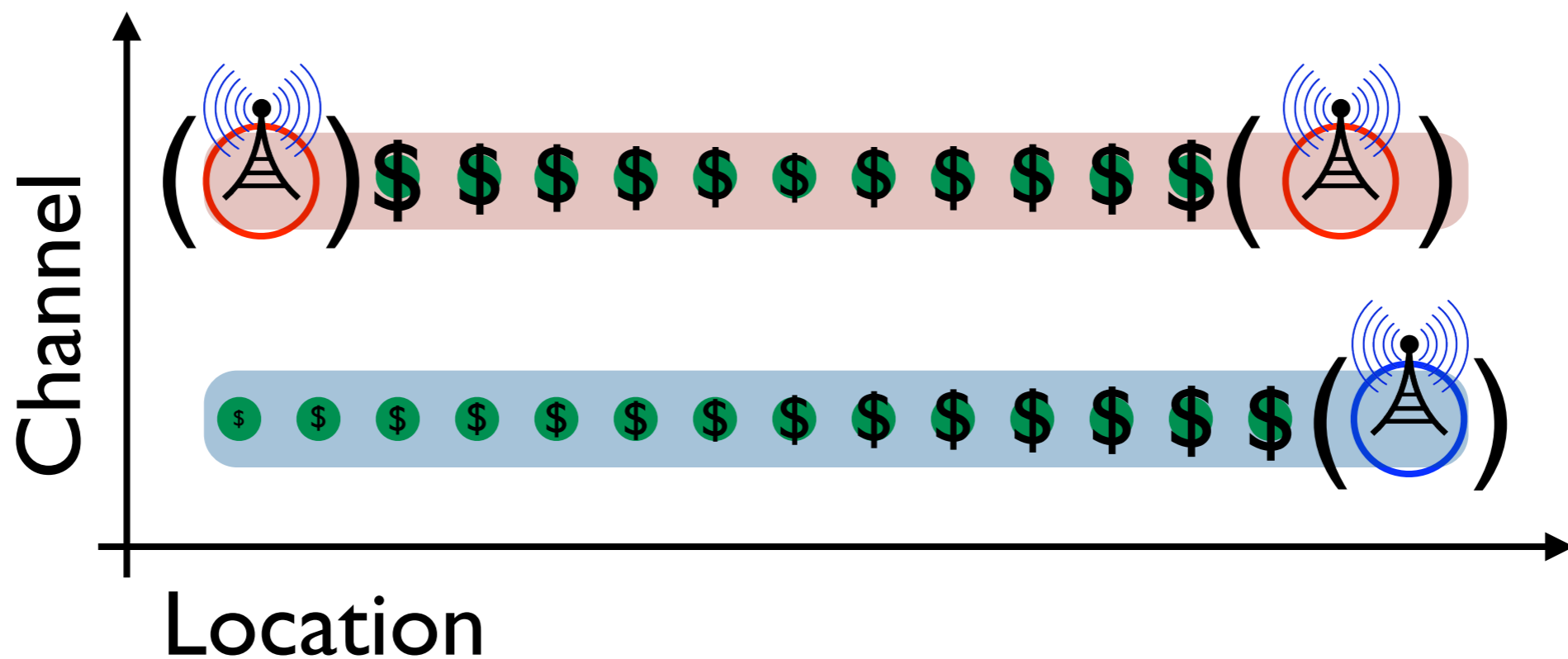
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- Goal: offer good *default*
- Approximate trading solution via optimization of the greater good



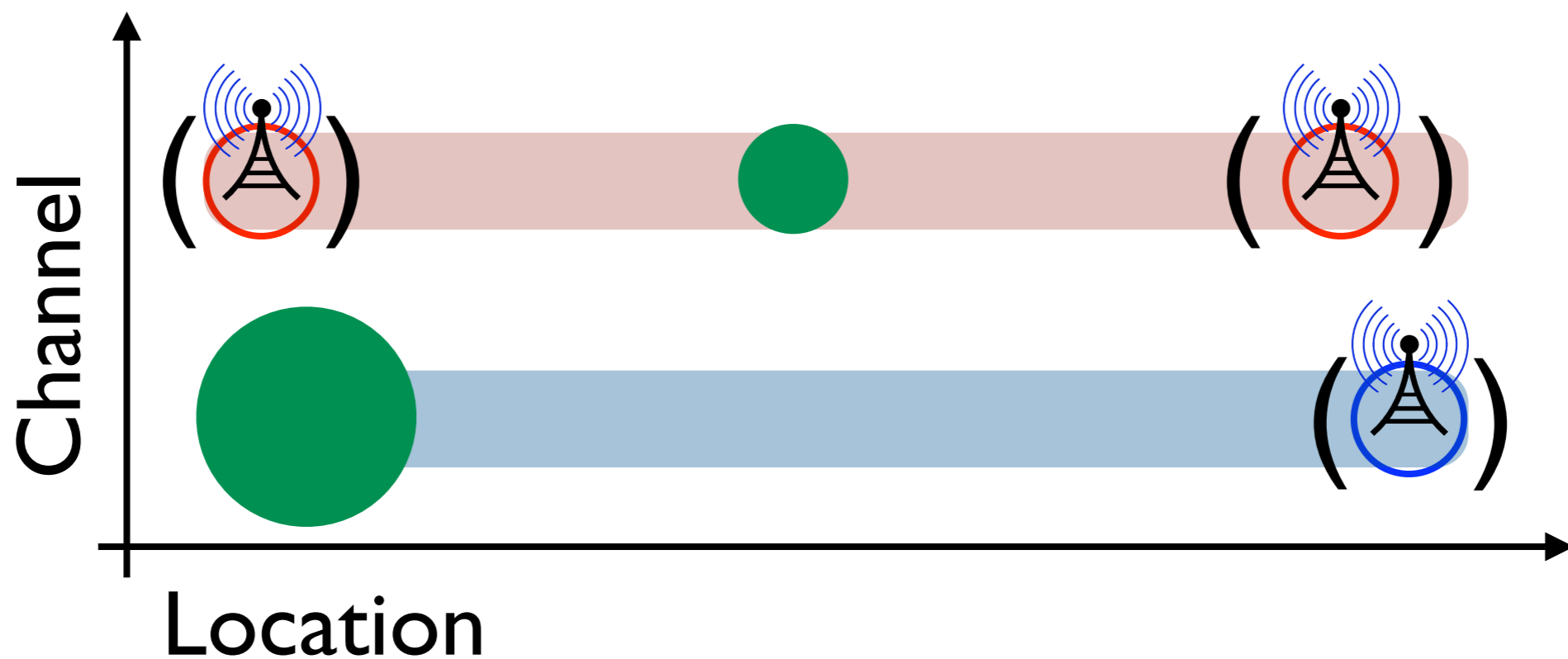
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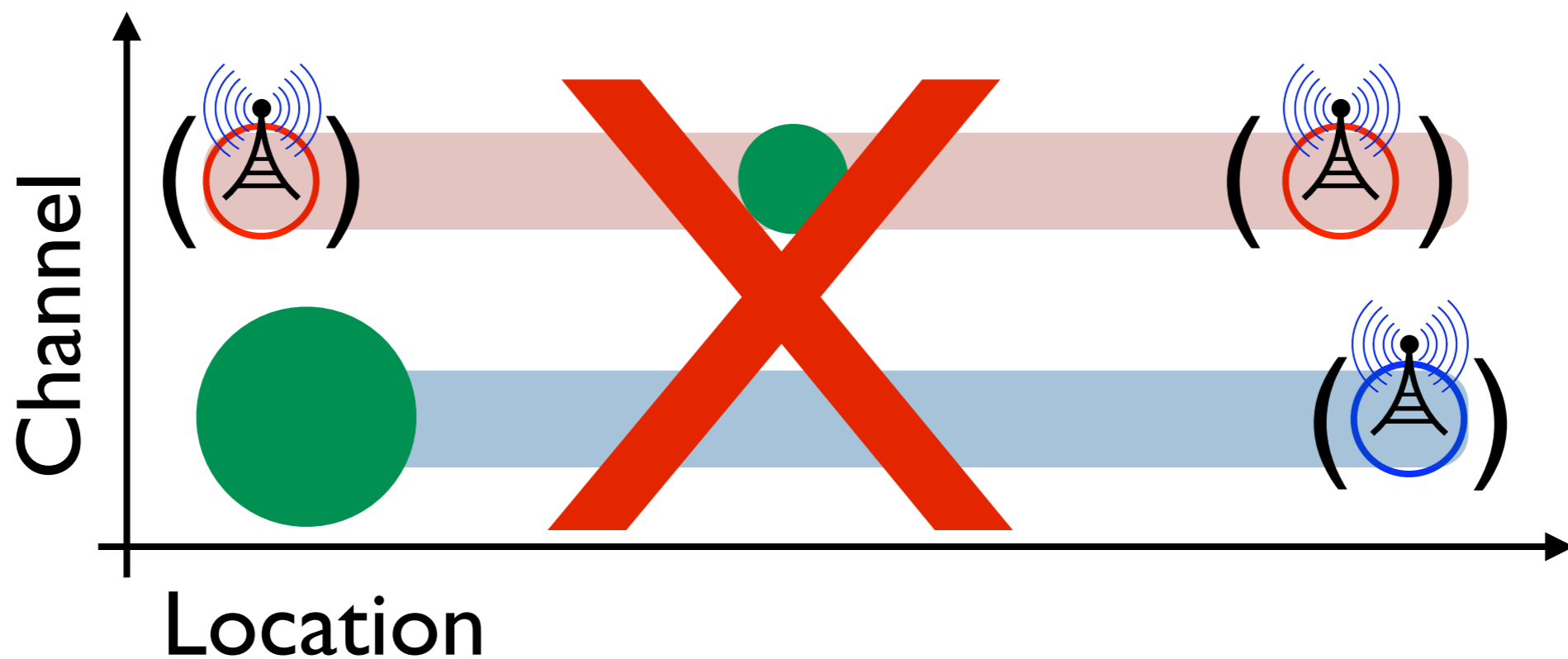
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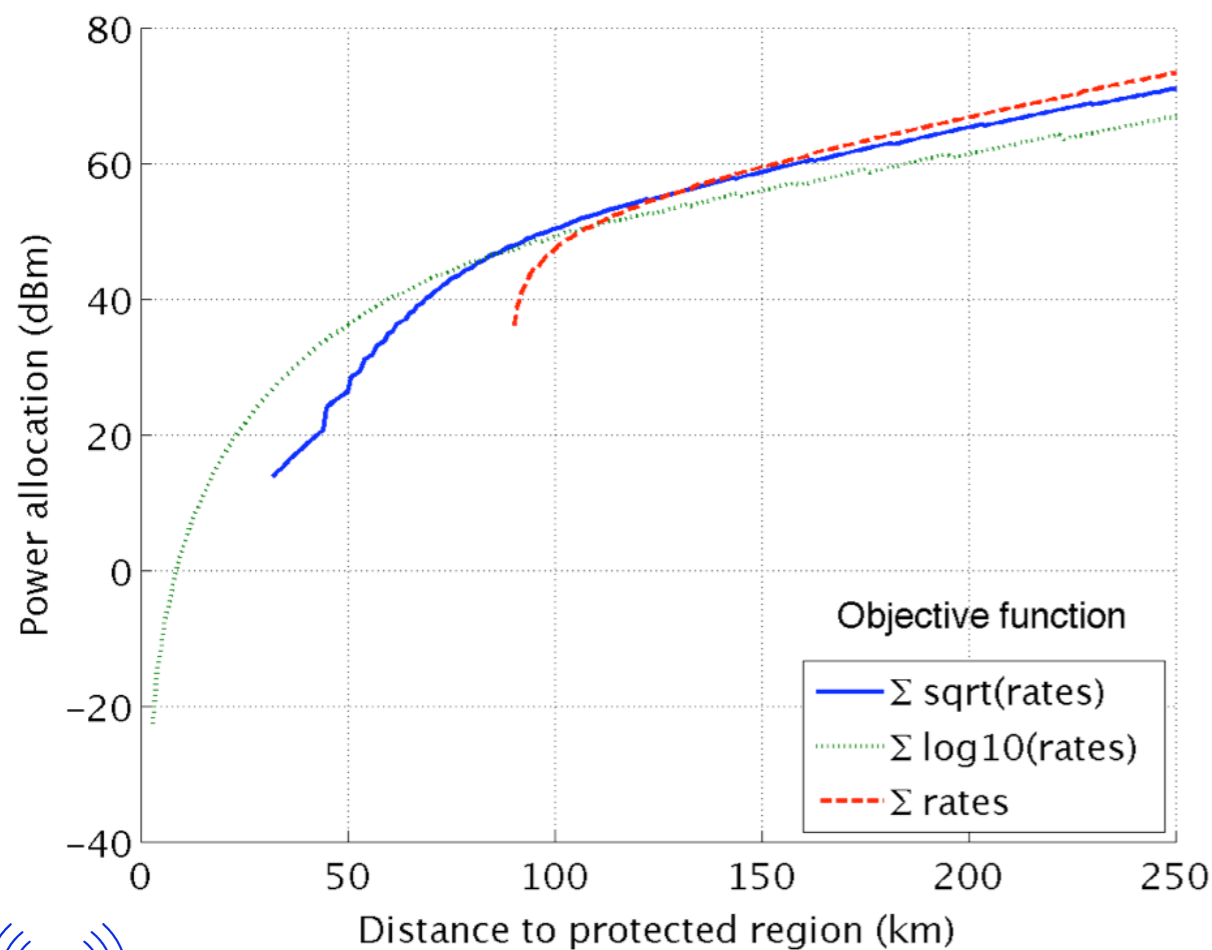
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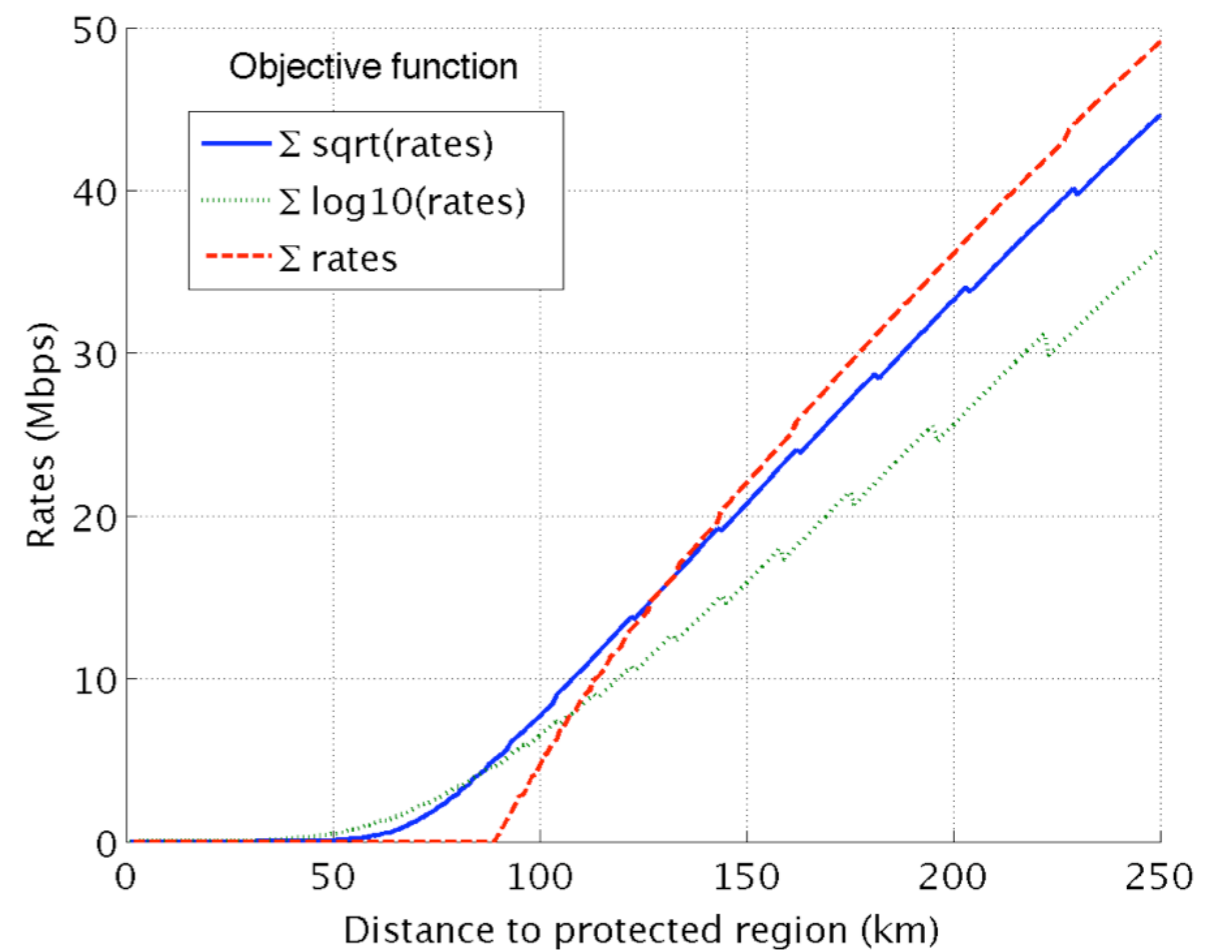
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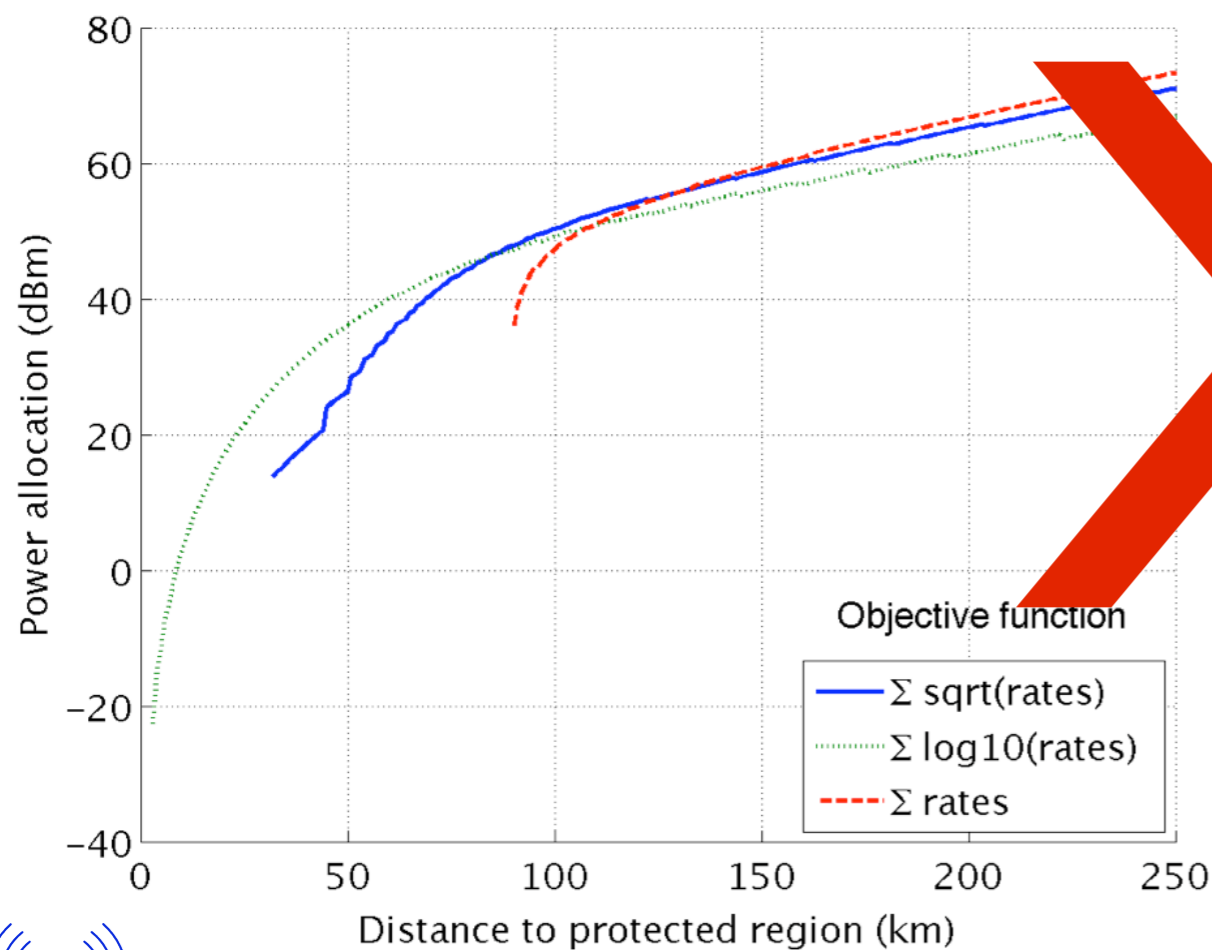
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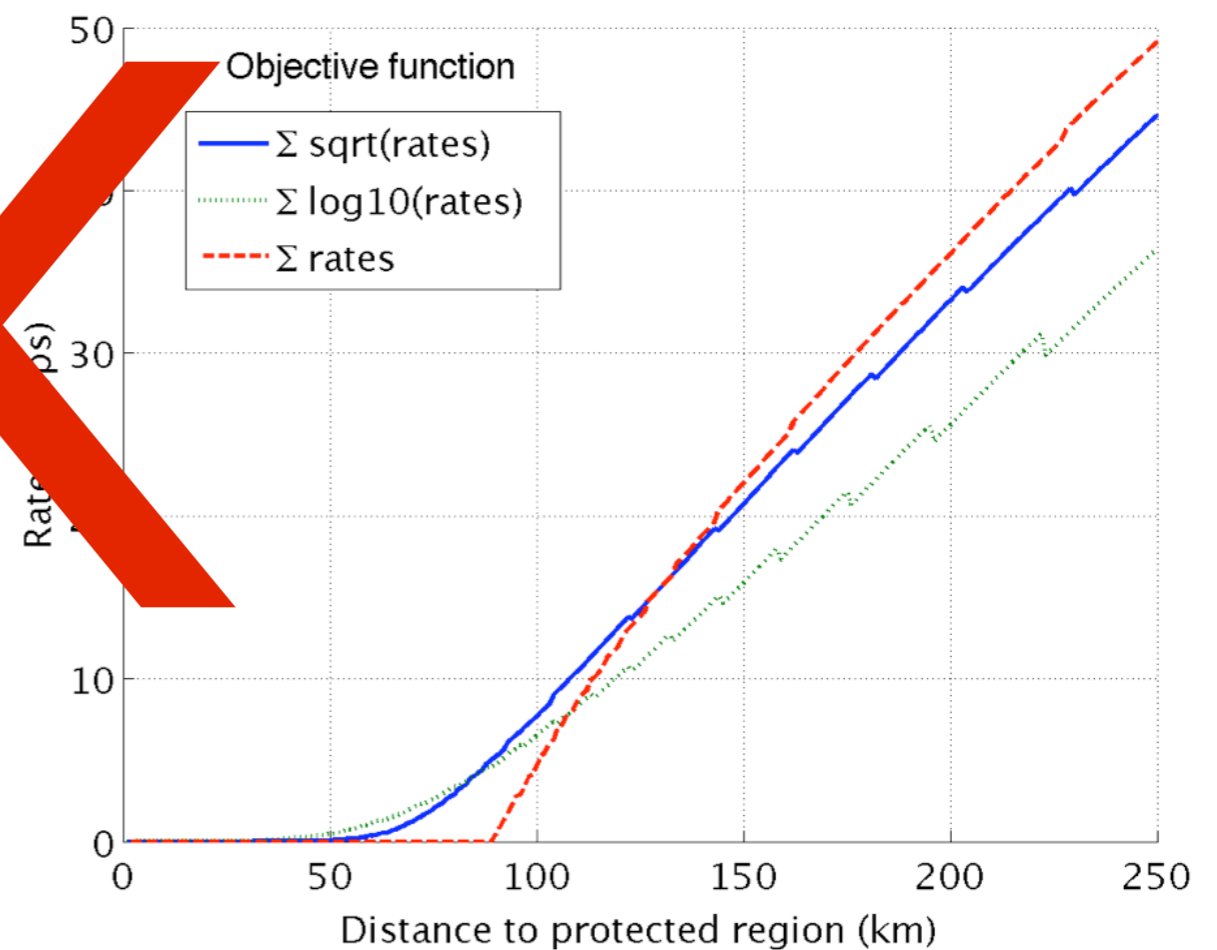
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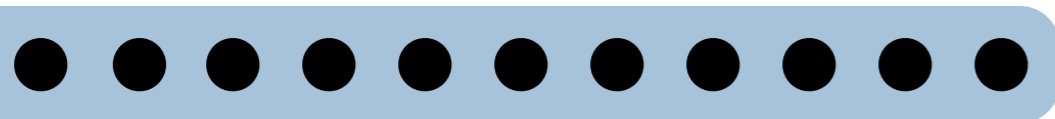
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50+ km of wasted whitespace



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- Self-interference + noise from nearby TV towers: *power utility depends on location*

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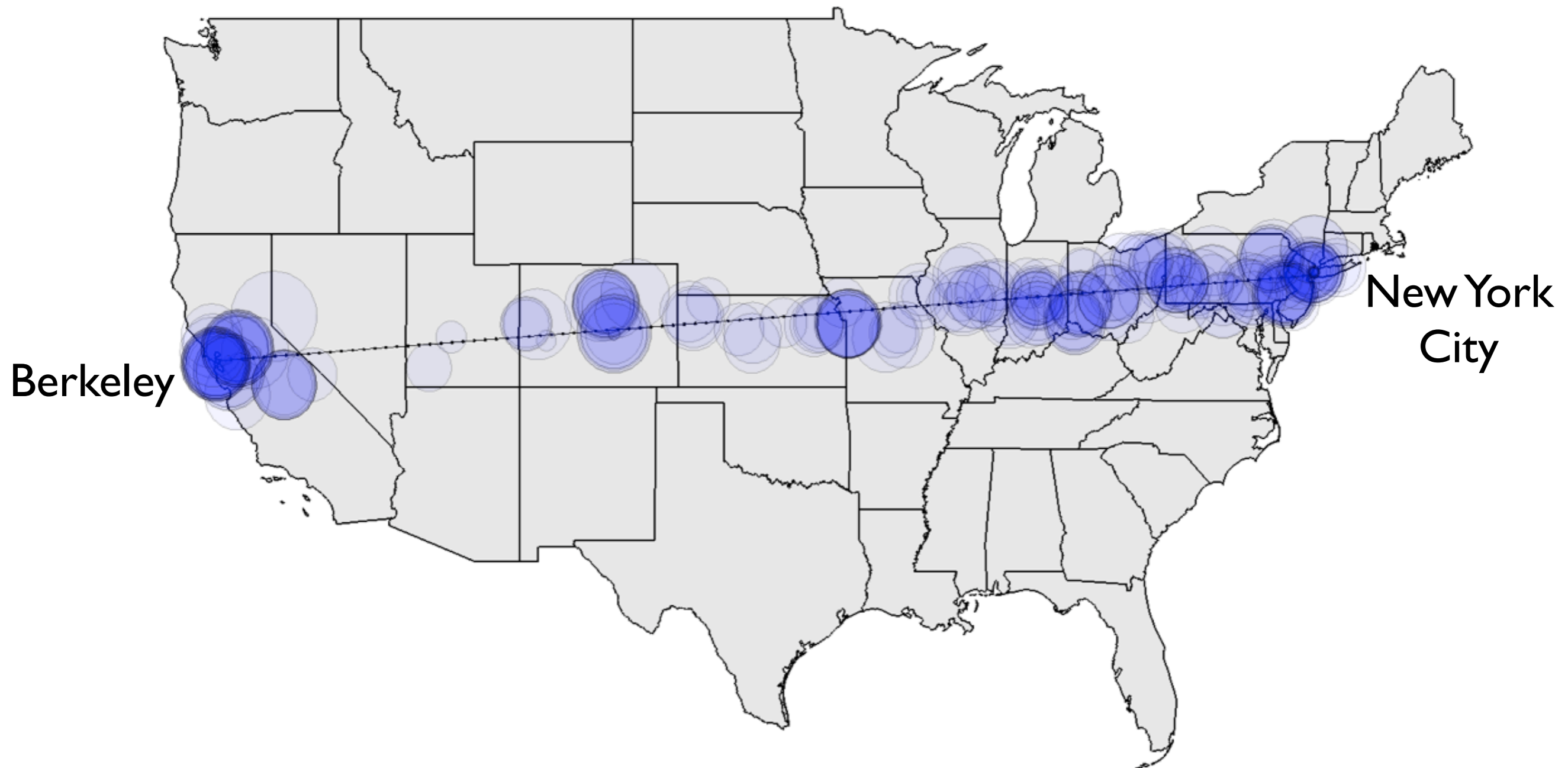
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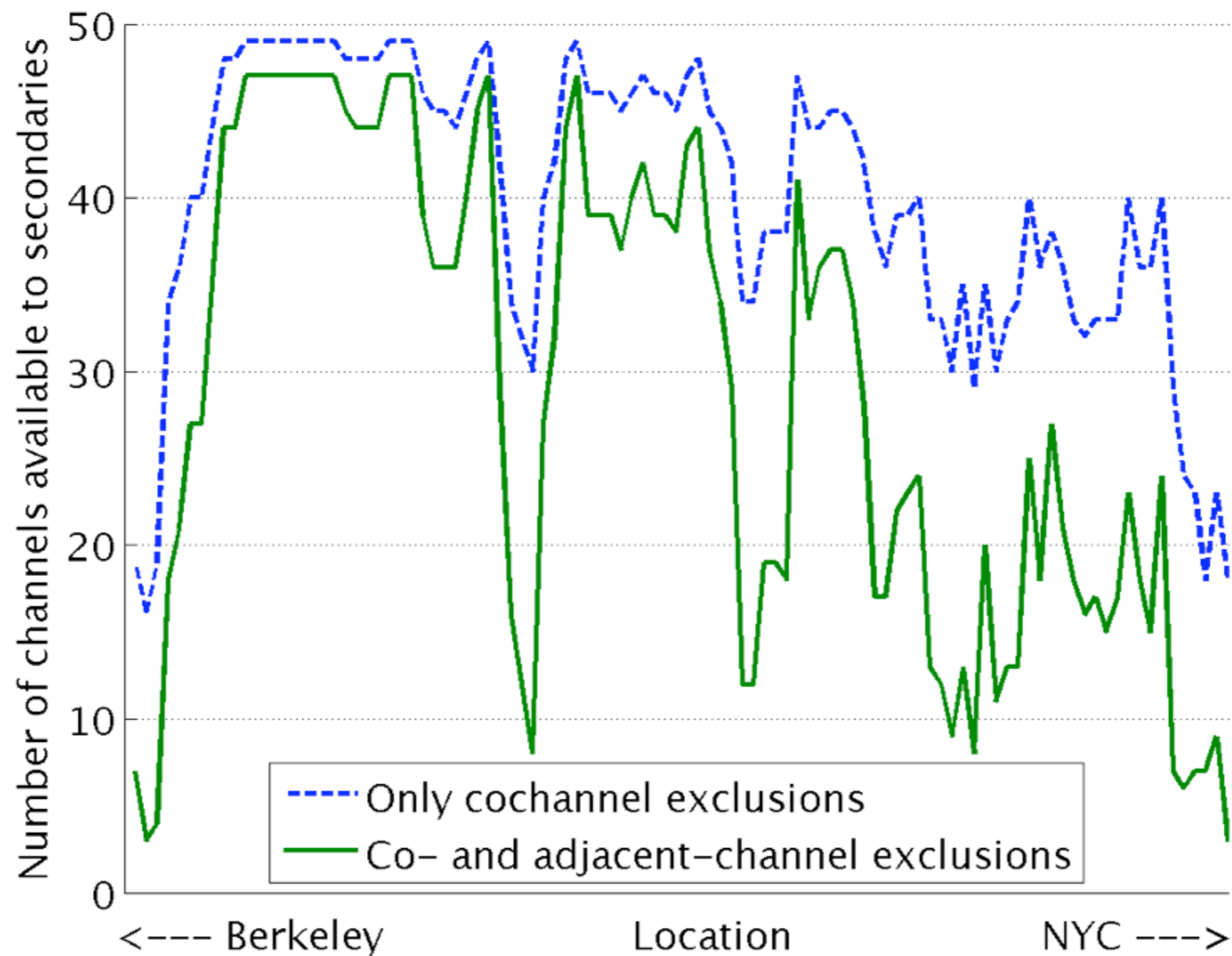
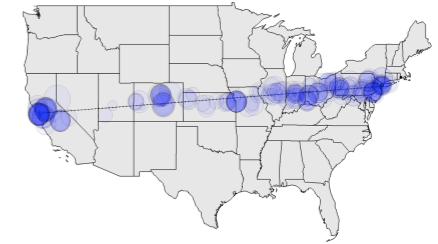
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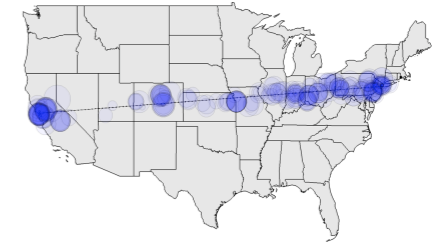
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One-dimensional test in the *spectral variation*



One-dimensional test in the *objective function*

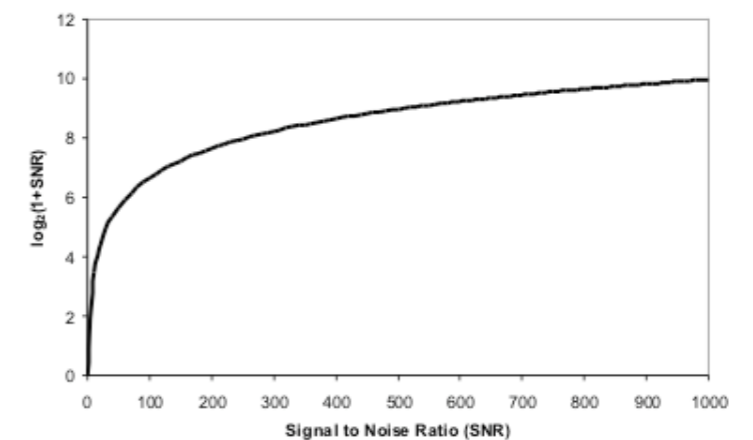


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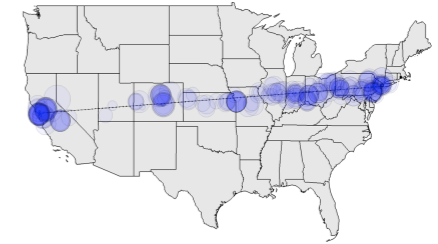
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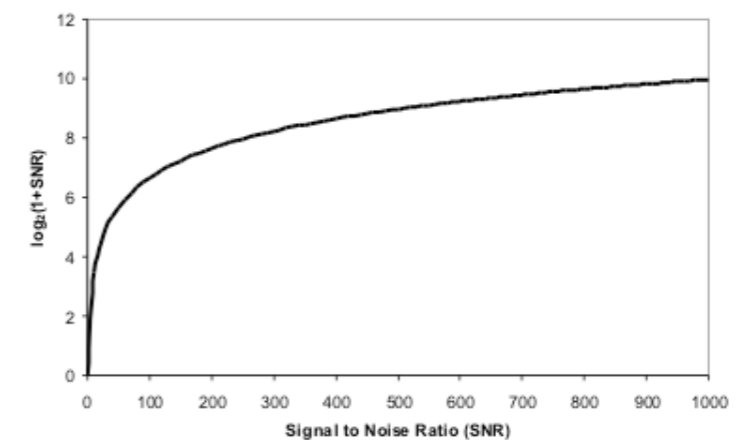
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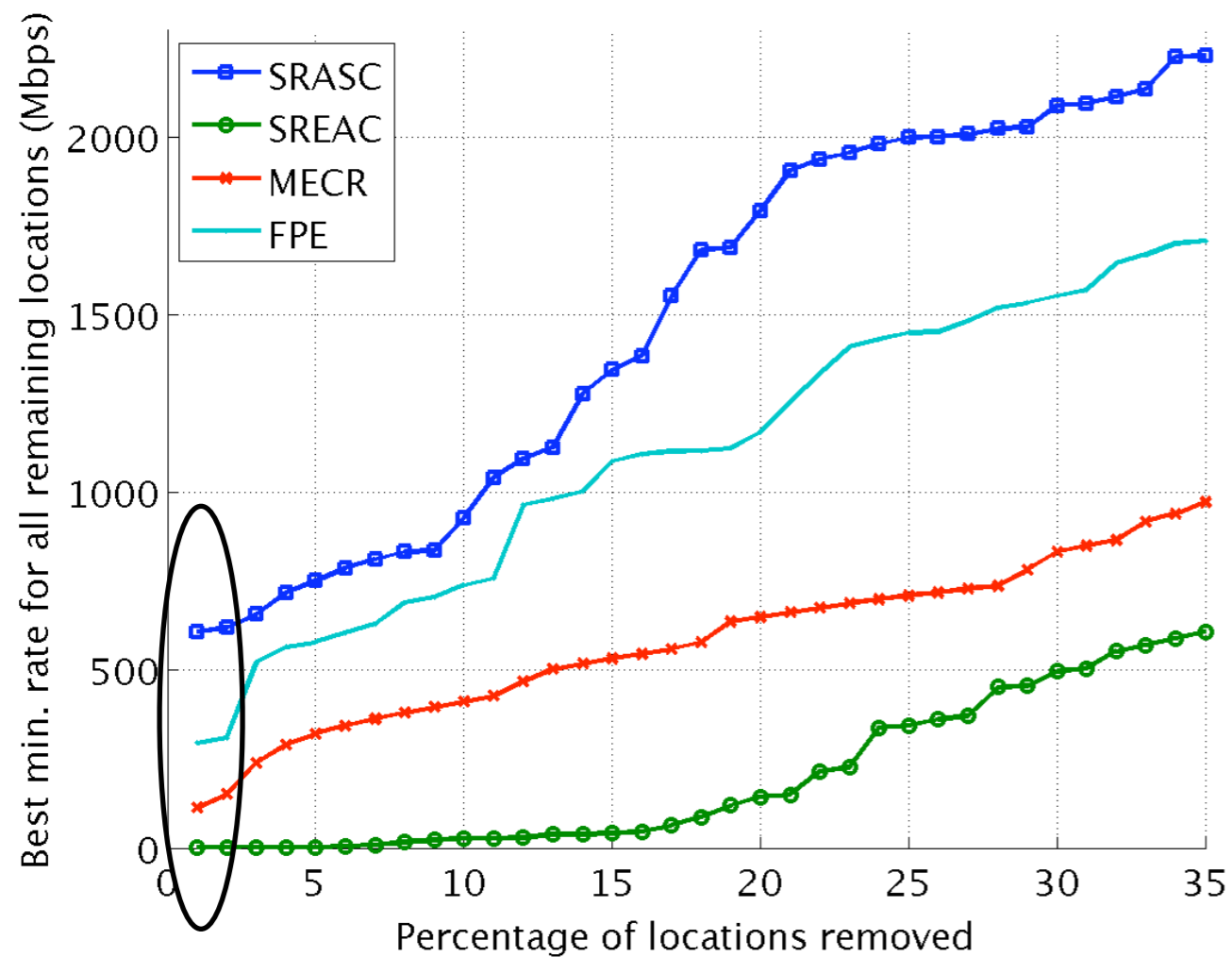
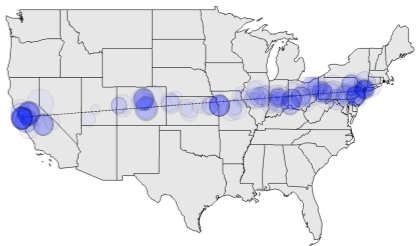
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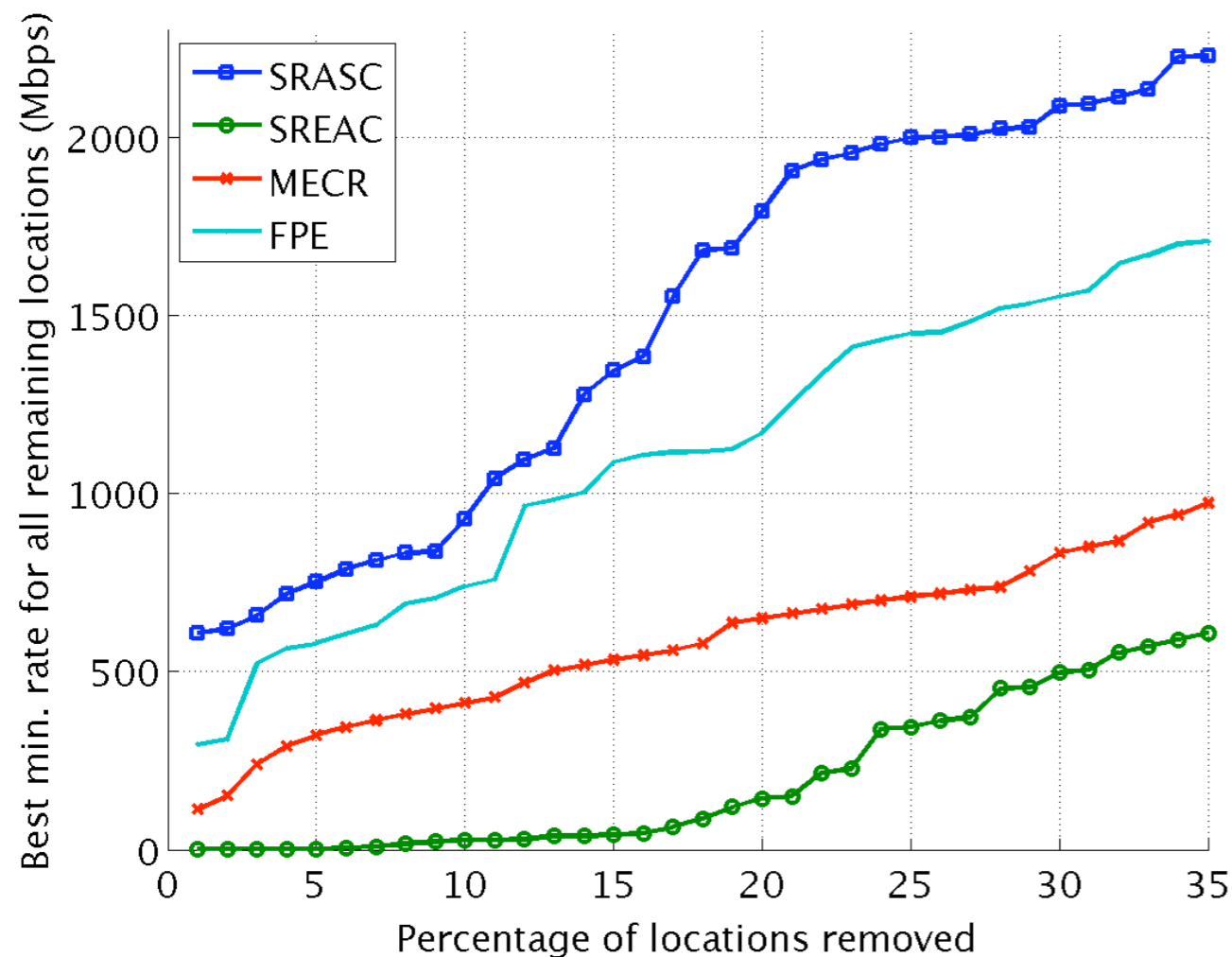
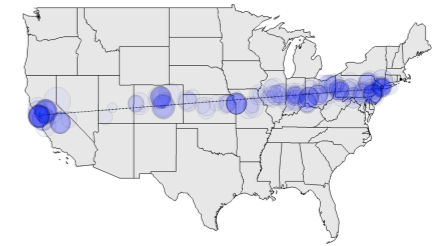


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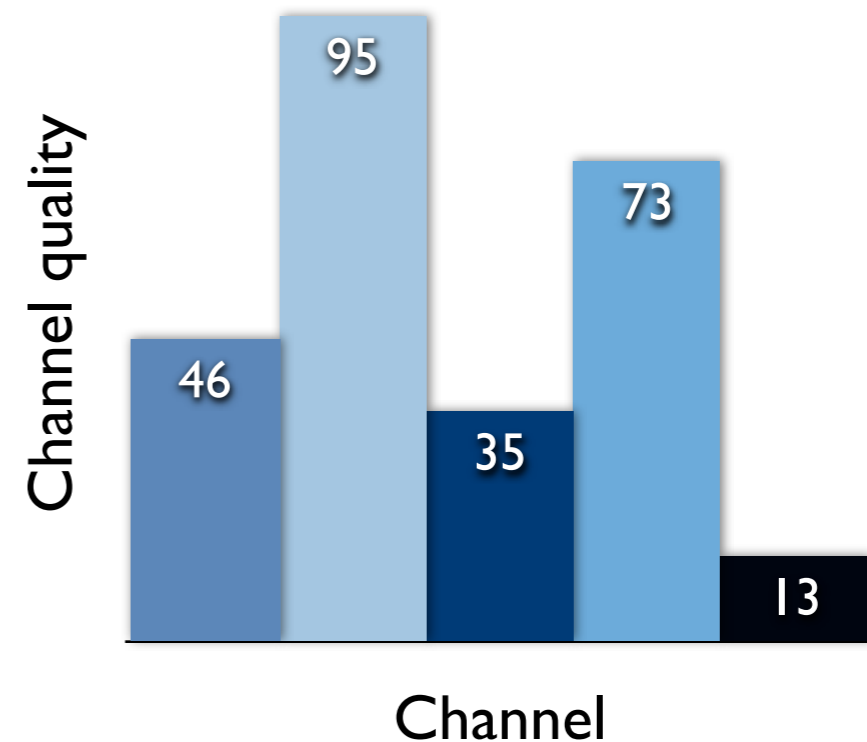
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Databases + API

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- Real-time spectrum markets



Context awareness

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- Offer good defaults