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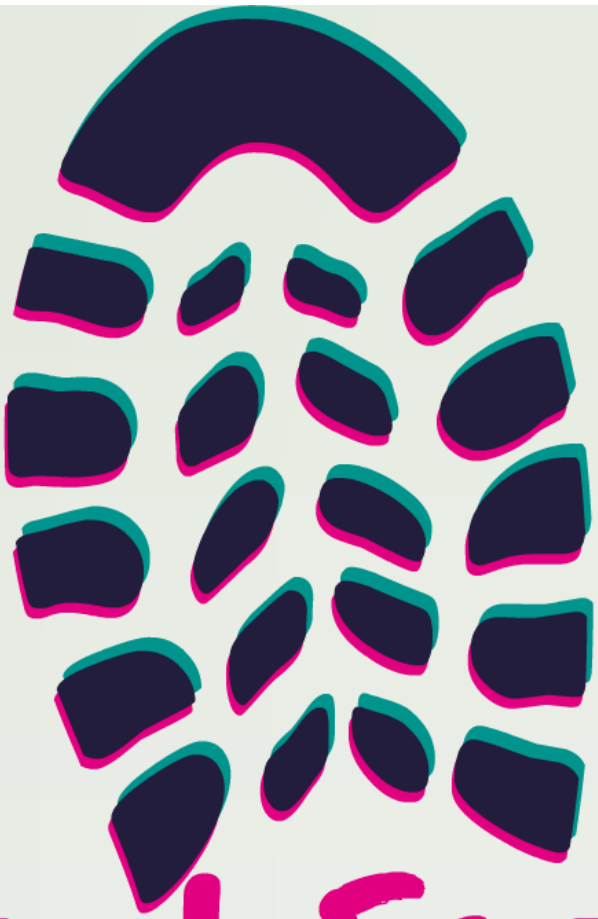
- Technological Security (related to software):
  - Application Security
  - Operating System Security
  - Network Security
- Policy and Procedure



Physical Security

- Protecting against information leakage - Document Theft
- Limited access to authorized locations and equipment
- Example: Dumpster Diving, Theft of equipment etc.

Technological Security

Application Security

- Strong identity verification:
  - Know who the user is
  - Log/Audit user access
- Configure application correctly:
  - Patch application
  - Change default admin passwords
- Server/Application/Data robustness
  - Outage can cause a lot of damage
  - Eg: DoS or DDoS

OS and Network Security

- Server Parches: Windows updates
- Network Security:
  - Miscellaneous traffic
  - BOT infections
- Tools useful:
  - Firewall
  - IPS/IDS
  - Antivirus applications
  - Reliable logging: (logging are like your footsteps in sand)


Policies and Procedures

- Social Engineering attacks:
  - Phishing Emails
  - Phone calls
  - Misrepresenting ones identity
- Safeguard sensitive corporate data
- Educate employees:
  - REMEMBER: Majority of attacks are initiated from within

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Common Security Characters

- Alice and Bob: Good Guys
- Eve: Passive Eavesdropper
- Mallory: Active Eavesdropper
- Trent: Trusted by Alice and Bob

Authentication

- Identity Verification: How can you be sure Bob is talking to Alice
  - Something you **know** (Password: OTP)
  - Something you **have** (SecureID cards, ATM cards)
  - Something you **are** (Biometrics)
- ***REMEMBER***:
  - Strength of authentication depends on difficulty of forging/cracking.
  - Add complexity: Two factor authentication
    - ATM cards
    - Fingerprint + PIN

Authorization

- Who you are vs What access you have
  - Is Alice allowed to access a certain document
  - Can user perform a certain action
- Restrict Access
  - ACL: Access control List
  - Role Based Access

Home Work: What is Bell LaPadula Model?

Confidentiality

- Goal: Keep the contents of communication to be a secret
- Eve (eavesdropper) should not be able to retrieve the data
- Can be achieved:
  - Encryption
  - Cryptography

Data/Message Integrity

- Goal: Mallory (Active Eavesdropper) cannot tamper with the communication between Alice and Bob
- Data Integrity = No Corruption

Techniques:

- Hashing: MD5, SHA-1
- Checksums (CRC)

Accountability

- Goal: Who conducted the action
- Requirements:
  - Logging and Audit trails
  - Secure Time-stamp
  - Data Integrity: Cannot modify

Remember: If the requirements are not fulfilled the attacker can successfully hide there tracks.

Availability

- Goal: Achieve close to 100% uptime
- Add redundancy
- Legitimate / authorized use

Remember:

- This is a collaborative effort
- Goal of DoS and DDoS is to reduce availability

Non-Repudiation

- Goal: Undeniability of a transaction
- Generate Evidence
- Digital Signature

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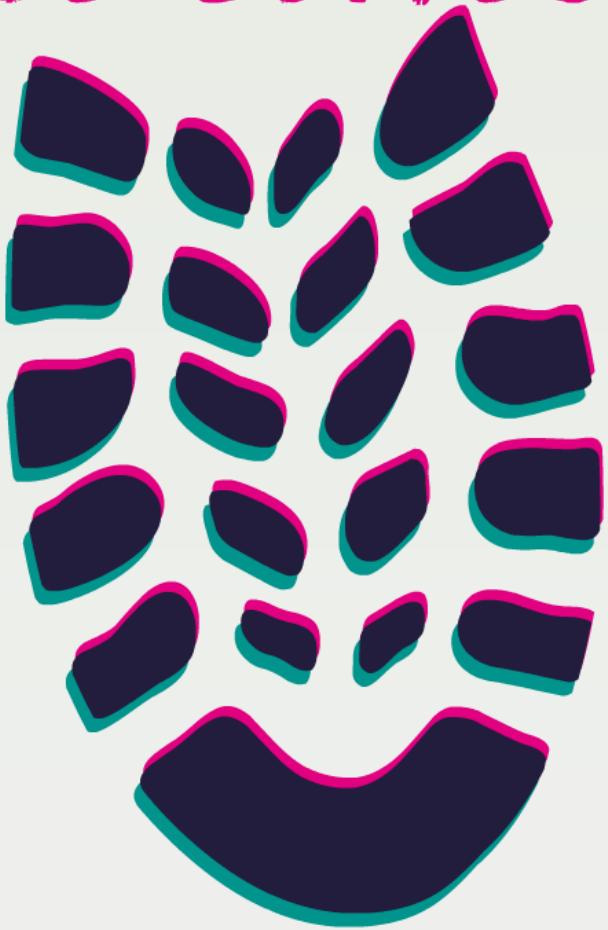


Remember

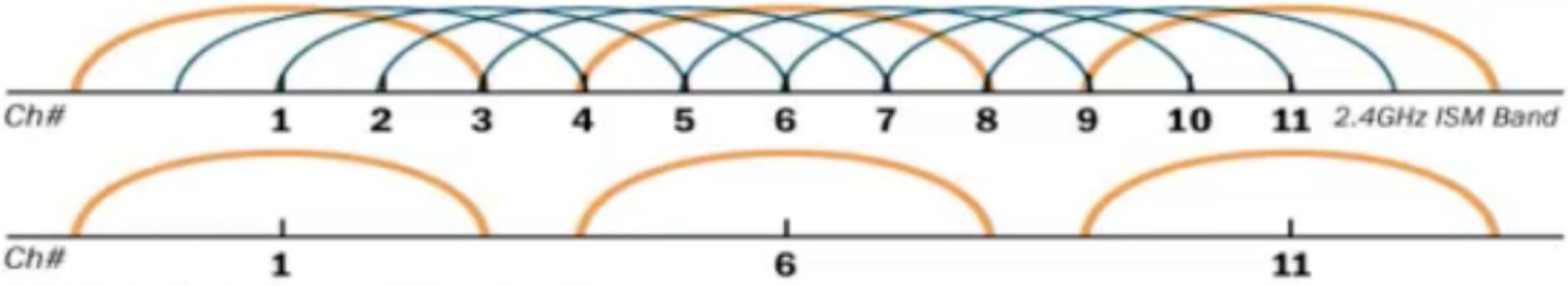
- Range/Coverage/Capacity
  - Range and Coverage are for taken granted
  - Plan for Capacity
- More susceptible to RF factors:
  - Noise: Noise is unwanted electrical or electromagnetic energy
  - Interference: Signal is distorted
  - Attenuation: Signal passes through material
- 2.4GHz vs 5 GHz
- Clients are competing (not dedicated connection)
- Connection will be as fast as the slowest connection


2.4 GHz vs 5 GHz

802.11A/B/G/N: CHANNEL BREAKDOWN

802.11b/g/n

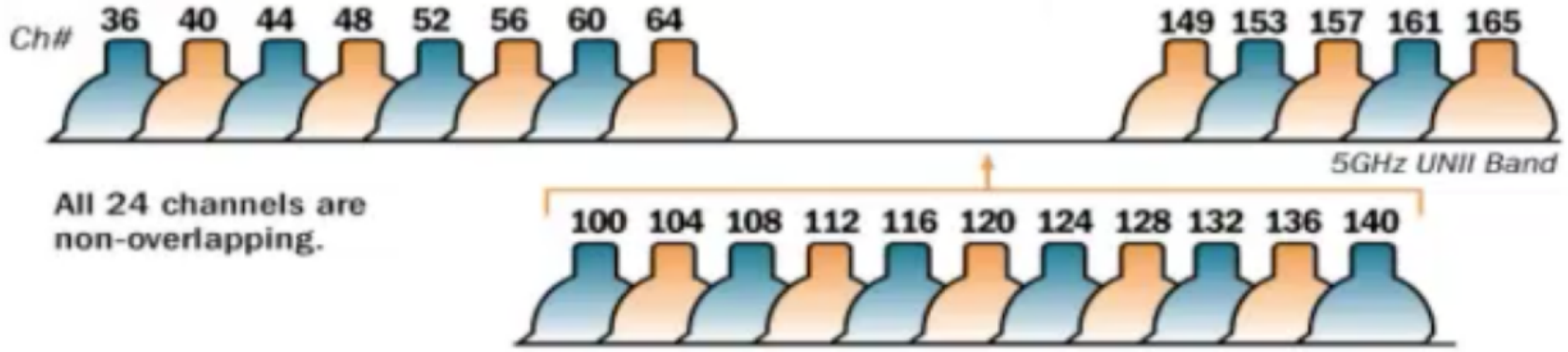
11 channels are available in the U.S. for 802.11b/g/n



Only 3 channels are non-overlapping.

802.11a/n

24 channels are available in the U.S. for 802.11a/n



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Note: The above graphic identifies North American channel assignments, channels varies for different countries based on their regulatory domains

BANDS, CHANNELS AND CAPACITY

Two frequency bands used in Wi-Fi (27* channels)

- **2.4GHz – used by 802.11b/g/n clients**
  - 3 non-overlapping channels (differs by geo region)
  - Limited bandwidth, prone to interference
- **5GHz – used by 802.11a/n clients**
  - Up to 24 non-overlapping channels (differs by geo region)
  - 8X the bandwidth, Less potential for interference

802.11 AND RF INTERFERENCE

- **802.11b/g/n uses the 2.4 GHz ISM band**
  - Many common devices cause interference
    - Bluetooth devices
    - Cordless phones
    - Microwave ovens
    - X10 wireless video cameras
    - HAM radio operators
  - Resulting in…
    - Packets retransmission
    - Reduced throughput, increased latency
- **802.11a/n uses the 5GHz UNII band**
  - Relatively interference free
  - Many more channels available as options

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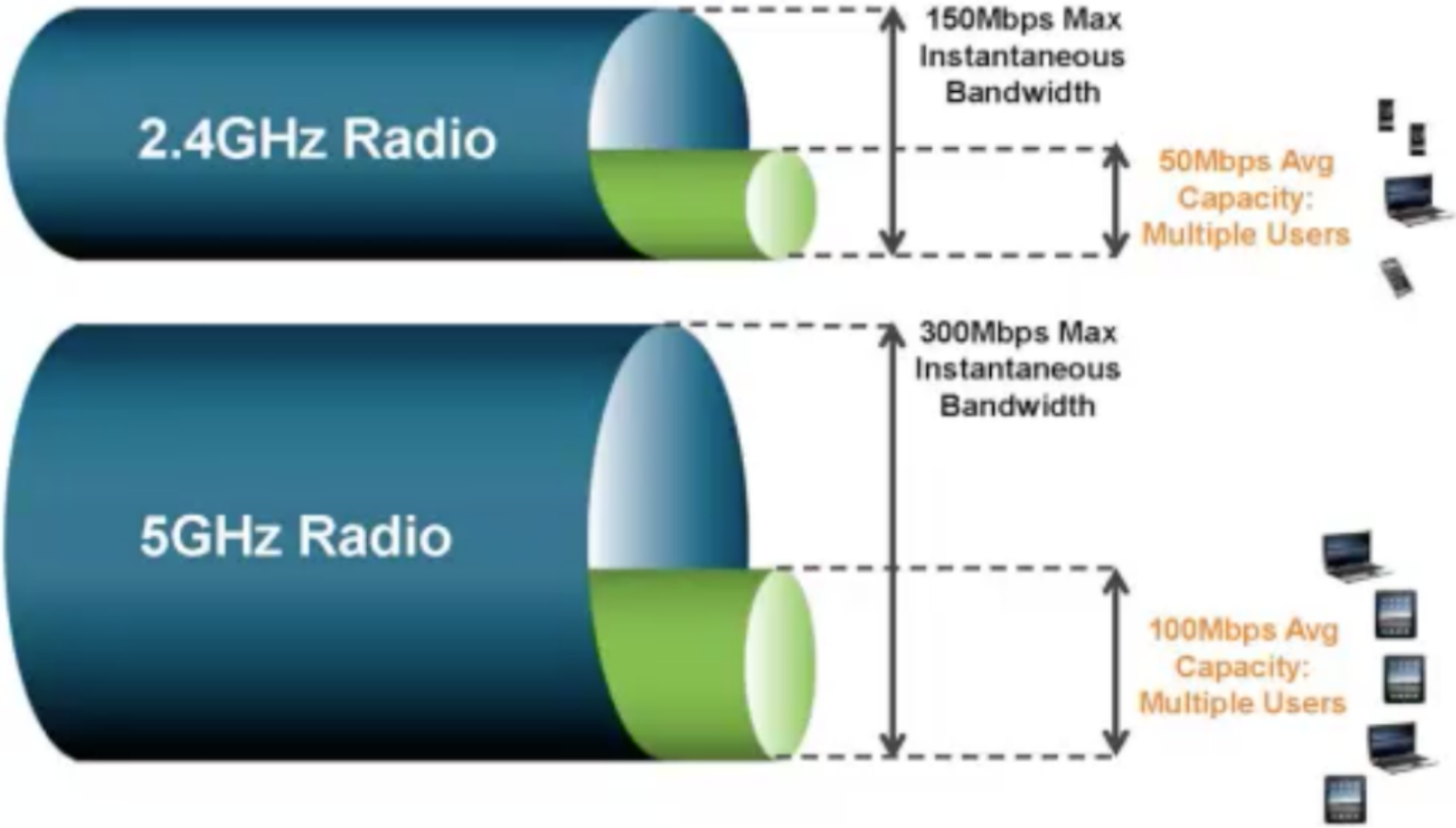
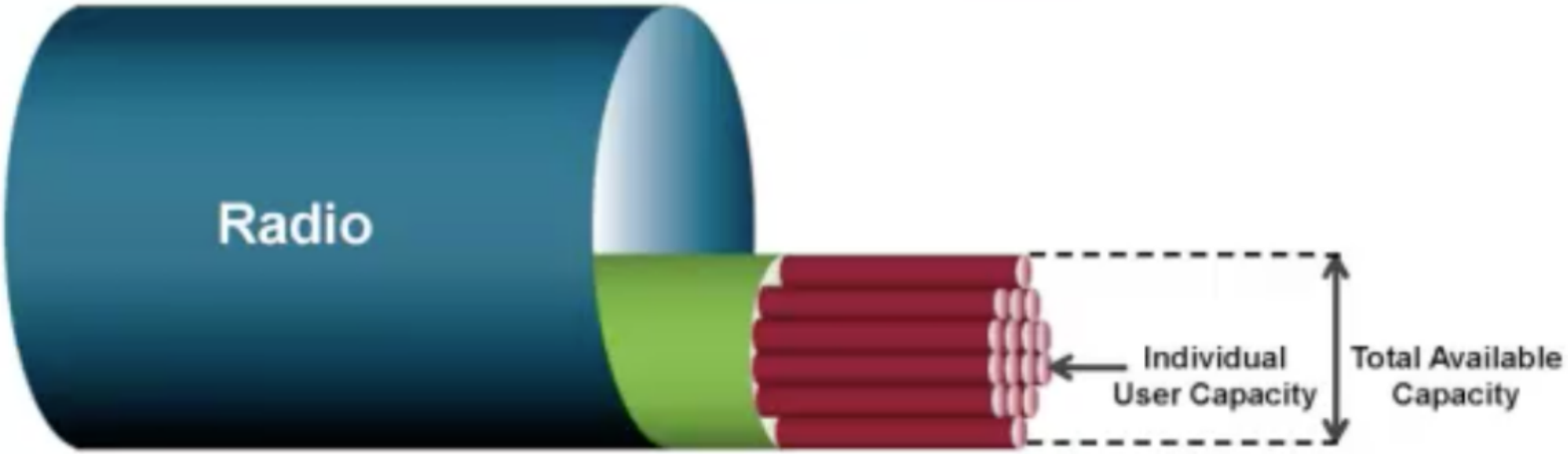


In a Wi-Fi network, radio capacity is reduced by protocol overhead and is shared by multiple users

UNDERSTANDING RADIO CAPACITY (2)

Gartner recommends provisioning 6Mbps per user



Wireless network design based on number of users per radio

5GHz radio: 100Mbps / 6Mbps = ~15 users per radio

2.4GHz radio: 50Mbps / 6Mbps = ~8 users per radio

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- Security Administrator / Engineer
- Network Security Administrators / Engineers
- Firewall Administrators / Engineers
- Desktop Security Administrators
- Enterprise Security Architects
- IT Security Officers
- Penetration Testers (White Hat Hackers)
- TAC Support: CISCO, Check Point, Palo Alto
- Consulting Jobs
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