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Resource Grid

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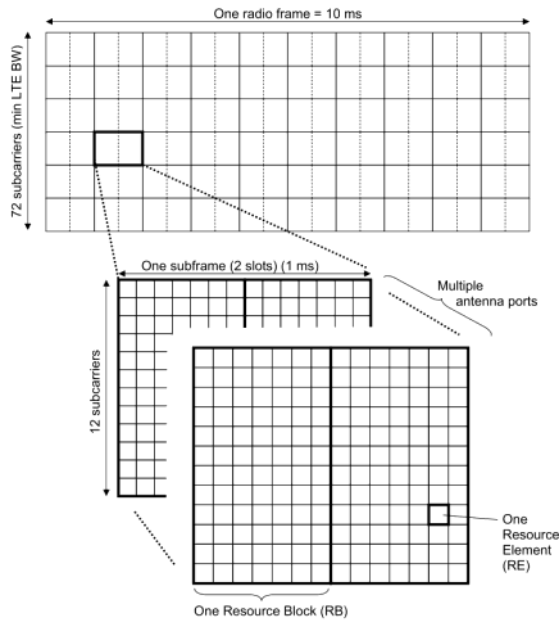


Figure 6.1: Basic time-frequency resource structure of LTE (normal cyclic prefix case).

- Each RE is one symbol over one subcarrier.
 - 2-6 bits depending on modulation
- Each RB spans 12 subcarriers & 0.5 ms (slot)
 - unit for scheduling
- LTE allows different total BW from 1.4 MHz to 20 MHz

Total bandwidth	Number of resource blocks	Number of sub-carriers	Occupied bandwidth	Usual guard bands
1.4 MHz	6	72	1.08 MHz	2×0.16 MHz
3 MHz	15	180	2.7 MHz	2×0.15 MHz
5 MHz	25	300	4.5 MHz	2×0.25 MHz
10 MHz	50	600	9 MHz	2×0.5 MHz
15 MHz	75	900	13.5 MHz	2×0.75 MHz
20 MHz	100	1200	18 MHz	2×1 MHz

≈ 2G CDMA
≈ WCDMA



Table 6.7 Cell bandwidths supported by LTE

note the different
of RBs

An example of the downlink/uplink mapping
of the resource grid.

- FDD, 5MHz, normal cyclic prefix.

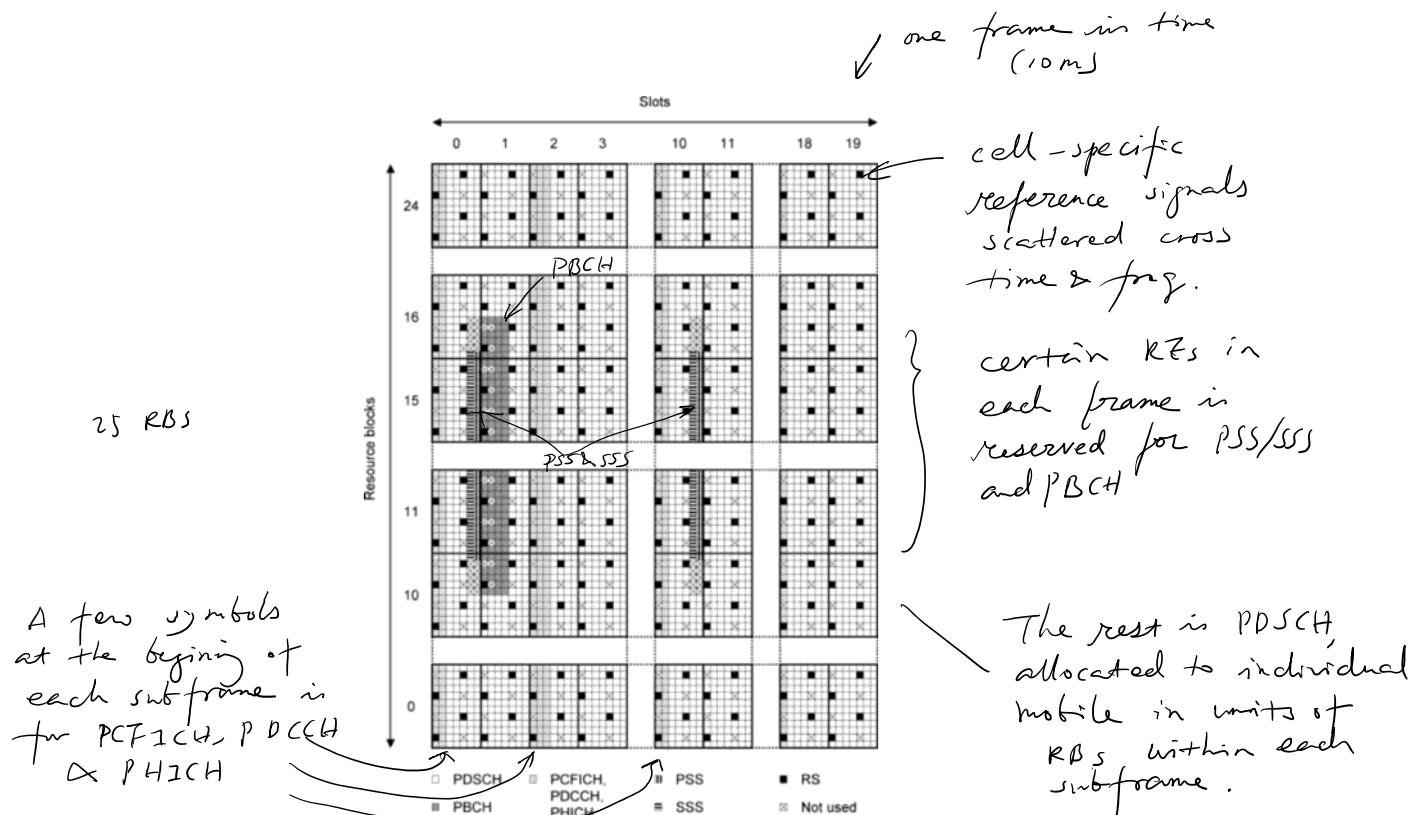
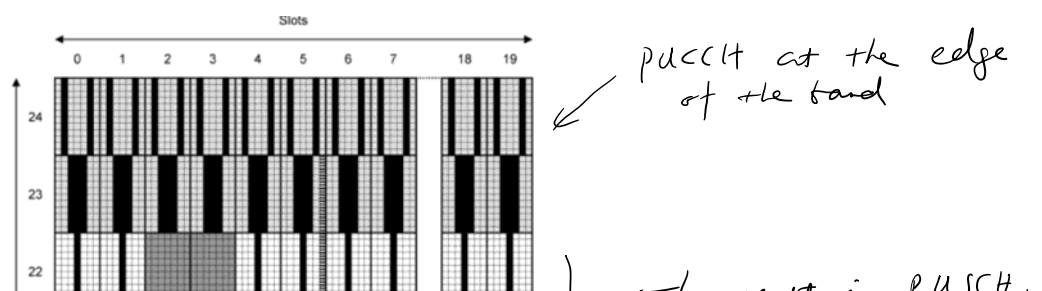
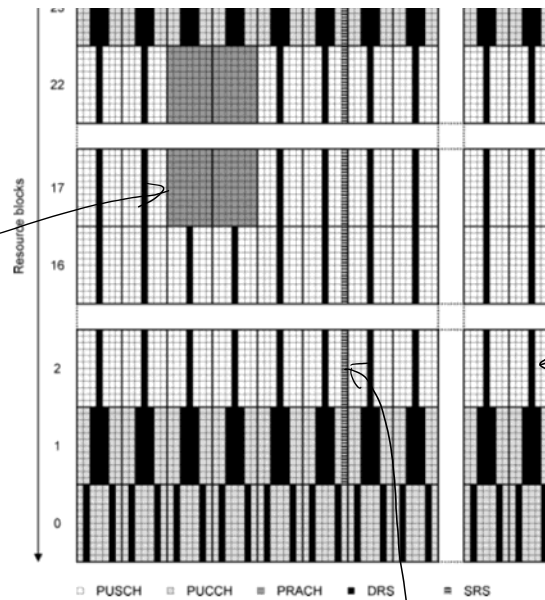


Figure 6.10 Example mapping of physical channels to resource elements in the downlink, using FDD mode, a normal cyclic prefix, a 5MHz bandwidth, the first antenna port of two and a physical cell ID of 1



Certain RBs reserved by the BS for PRACH
(6 RBs, 1 to 3 subframes)



The rest is PUSCH, allocated to individual mobiles in units of RBs within each subframe.

DM-RS: reference signal associated with data.
1 symbol per slot

Figure 6.11 shows the corresponding situation on the uplink. The figure assumes the use of FDD mode, the normal cyclic prefix and a bandwidth of 5MHz.

The last symbol for some subframe is used for SRS, shared by all UEs via freq on code-division multiplexing.

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Reference signals in the DL

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- To enable channel-dependent scheduling, the UE needs to measure the channel condition continuously
- In the DL, BS broadcast reference signals at designated REs

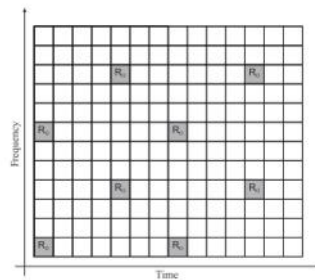
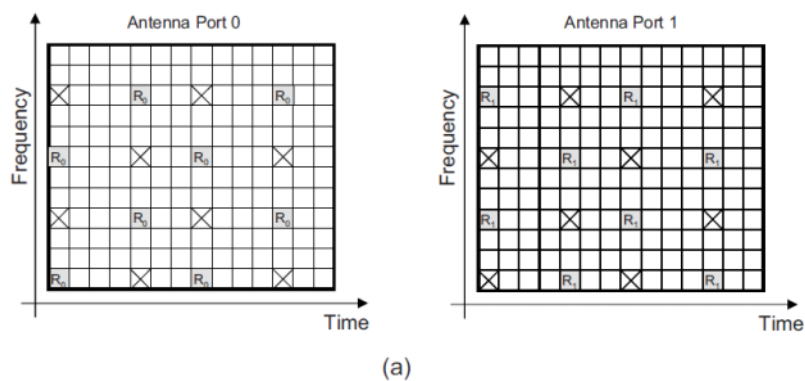
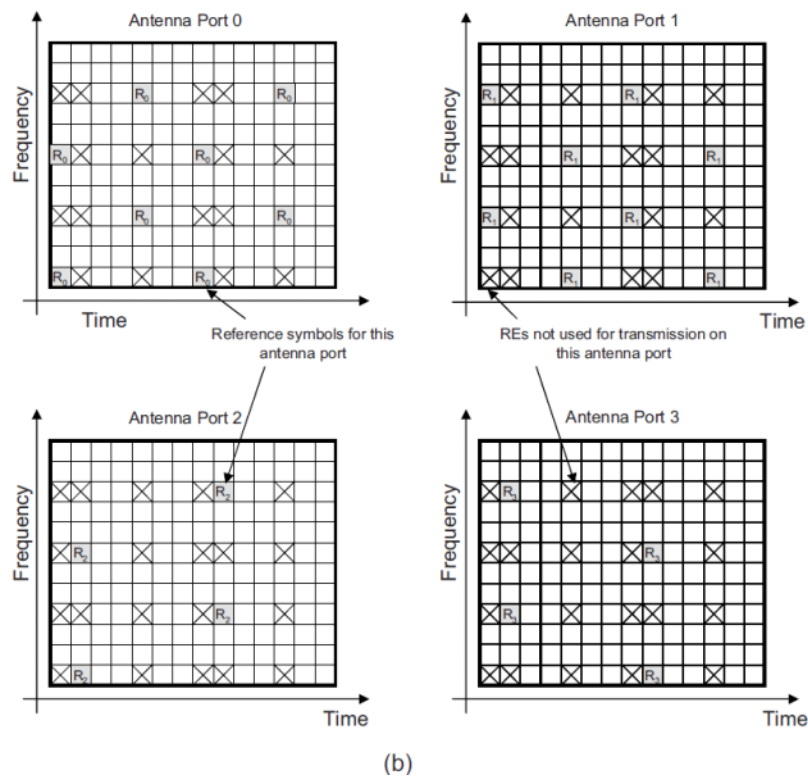


Figure 8.2: Cell-specific reference symbol arrangement in the case of normal CP length for one antenna port. Reproduced by permission of © 3GPP.

- see above for single antenna



two
antenna



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- UE needs control channel to feed back the channel measurement.
- UE measurement is reported to the BS using PUCCH (Physical uplink control channel)

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- Uplink reference signal is divided into two types
 - Those associated with data or control channel traffic
 - Demodulation RS (DM-RS)
 - mainly for channel estimation for coherent demodulation
 - Those not associated with data or control traffic.
 - Sounding RS (SRS)
 - channel quality determination to enable UL scheduling.

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- The design of SRS is trickier in the UL
 - In the DL, the BS is the only transmitter.
One set of RS is sufficient
 - In the UL, multiple transmitters all need to provide RS.
 - SRS need to be over the entire band for scheduling purpose
 - Need some way of multiplexing.
 - In LTE, SRSs are transmitted on the last SC-FDMA symbol in a subframe.
 - UEs transmitting SRS in the same subframe are multiplexed via either freq or code division multiplexing
 - DM-RS is sent on one or two symbol per slot.

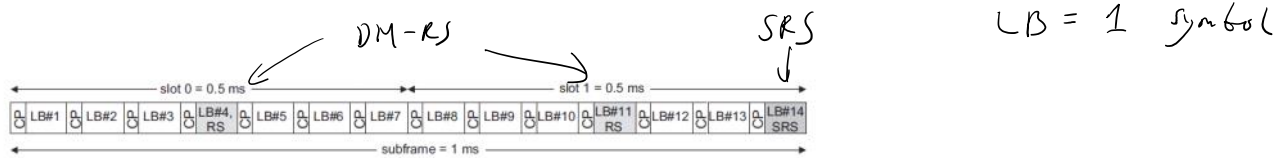


Figure 15.8: Uplink subframe configuration with SRS symbol.

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- The # of subframes that SRS are transmitted can be adjusted, (or completely shut off).
- Each UE is assigned a subset of period and time to send SRS
 - Otherwise, the UE may not have sufficient power, or the # of simultaneous UE is small.
- Multiple UEs on the same subframe can use different orthogonal code.
 - No interference within cell, but there will be interference from other cell
 - pilot contamination.

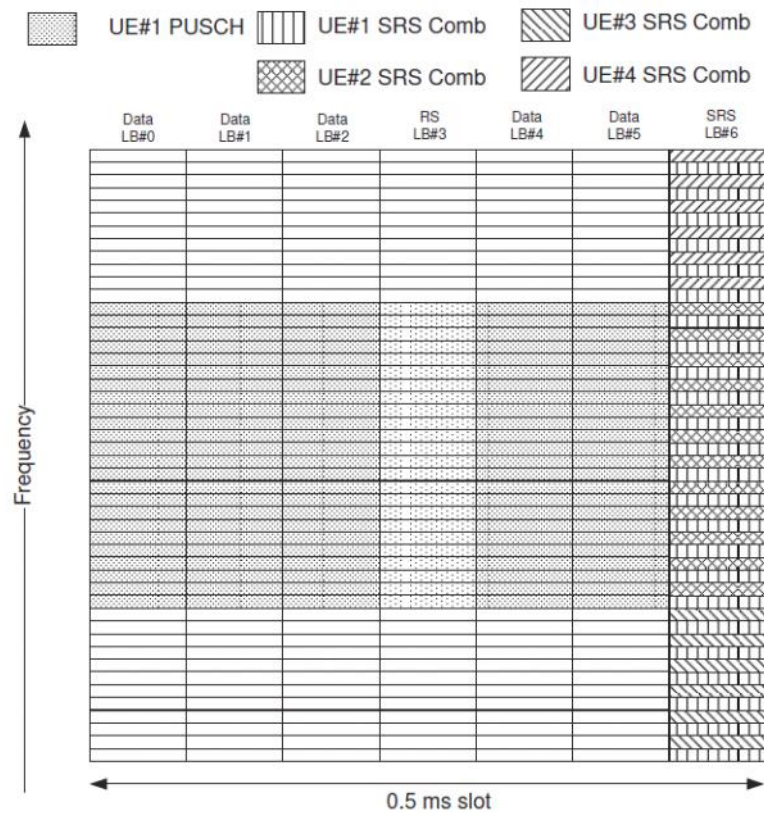


Figure 15.9: SRS symbol structure with RPF = 2.

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— BS measures SRS

— For PUSCH, DM-RS & SRS locations are different. (Chapter 16.3.3 & 16.3.5)

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Resource allocation decisions - 10min

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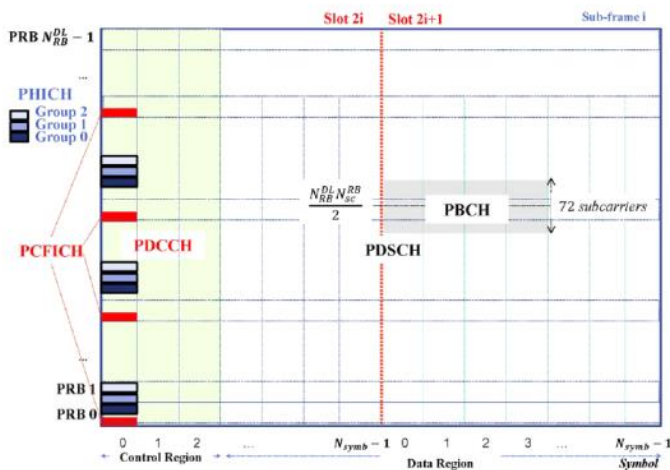


Fig. 10. DL control information: PCFICH, PHICH, PBCH, PDCCH, PDSCH.

- Once the BS acquires UL & DL CQI, it can schedule both UL & DL transmissions
- Such decision is conveyed to the UEs using the PDCCH (Physical downlink control channel)
- PDCCH occupies the first 1, 2, or 3 symbols in a sub-frame
- Variable length

TABLE V
PDCCH FORMAT

PDCCH Format	Number of CCEs	Number of Resource Element Groups	# PDCCH bits
0	1	9	72
1	2	18	144
2	4	36	288
3	8	72	576

- each REG contains 4 symbols
- 9 REGs form a CCE (control channel element)
- Each PDCCH is sent using one or more CCEs (variable length)

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- In order for the UE to know which PDCCH

message is intended for the UE

- instead of using an ID field
 - use a UE specified scrambling code on the CRC \rightarrow intended UE will see correct CRC
 - The length is indicated by the PCFICH.
 - known as CF2 (control format indicator)
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How to encode scheduling decisions?

- Have to strike a balance between flexibility & overhead.
- One extreme is that the UE can be assigned an arbitrary set of freq in each sub-frame
 - \Rightarrow bit-map of RBs assigned
 - when the BW is large (e.g. 20MHz $\rightarrow \geq 100$ RB), the bit-map can incur significant overhead.
 - Particularly problematic for small packets (e.g. voice)
- One way to reduce overhead is to group RBs into groups of 2, 3, or 4 RBs, and use bit-map to indicate each RBG.
 - This helps to control the DCI payload to be around 30-50 bits for all BWs

TABLE X
DL RESOURCE ALLOCATION TYPE 0 WITH DCI FORMAT 1

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$\left\lceil \frac{N_{RB}^{DL}}{P} \right\rceil$	Resource Allocation Type 0 $\left\lceil \frac{N_{RB}^{DL}}{P} \right\rceil$: Resource Assignment
5	MCS
3 or 4	HARQ Process number: 3 for FDD, 4 for TDD
1	New Data Indicator
2	Redundancy Version
2	TPC command for PUCCH
2	Downlink Assignment Index: TDD
2	HARQ ACK resource offset for EPDCCH (Rel. 11)

Type 0, format 1

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- The other extreme is to restrict to a contiguous range of RBs
 - only need to specify the starting RB & length
 - restrict the flexibility in assignment
 - natural for uplink
 - # of bits as low as 24.

TABLE XIV
DL RESOURCE ALLOCATION TYPE 2 WITH DCI FORMAT 1A

Bits	DCI Format 1A
0 or 3	Carrier Indicator in Rel. 10-11
1	Format Flag: Set to 1
	Random Access Initiated - 1 bit: set to 0 (Localized VRB) $\left\lceil \log_2 \left(\frac{N_{RB}^{DL}(N_{RB}^{DL}+1)}{2} \right) \right\rceil$ bits: Resource Assignment: all bits set to 1 Setting: 6 bits (Preamble Index), 4 bits (PRACH Mask Index) Otherwise - 1 bit: 0 (Localized VRB) or 1 (Distributed VRB) - $\left\lceil \log_2 \left(\frac{N_{RB}^{DL}(N_{RB}^{DL}+1)}{2} \right) \right\rceil$ bits: Resource block assignment - For distributed VRB and $N_{RB}^{DL} \geq 50$ and not associated with RA/P/SI-RNTI* 1 bit for gap indicator + $\left\lceil \log_2 \left(\frac{N_{RB}^{DL}(N_{RB}^{DL}+1)}{2} \right) \right\rceil - 1$ bits - 5 bits: MCS - 3 or 4 bits: HARQ process number: 3 bits (FDD), 4 bits (TDD) - 1 bit: New data indicator - 2 bits: Redundancy version - 2 bits: UL Power Control (PUCCH) - 2 bits: Downlink Assignment Index (TDD, not FDD) - 0 or 1 bit: SRS Request in Rel. 10-11 - 2 bits: HARQ ACK resource offset for EPDCCH in Rel. 11

*RNTI (Radio Network Temporary Identifier)
P-RNTI (for Paging), RA-RNTI (for Random Access), SI-RNTI (for System Information)

- type 2 format 1A
- contiguous VRB is then mapped to RBs via a predefined permutation.

- Further, UEs can be constrained to search only a subset of PDCCH resources to conserve energy

Finally, for short, voice packets - LTE uses
"distributed scheduling"

The mapping of data to physical RBs can be carried out in one of two ways: *localized mapping* and *distributed mapping*.⁵

Localized resource mapping entails allocating all the available REs in a pair of RBs to the same UE. This is suitable for most scenarios, including the use of dynamic channel-dependent scheduling according to frequency-specific channel quality information reported by the UE (see Sections 10.2.1 and 12.4).

Distributed resource mapping entails separating in frequency the two physical RBs comprising each pair, with a frequency-hop occurring at the slot boundary in the middle of the subframe, as shown in Figure 9.3. This is a useful means of obtaining frequency diversity for small amounts of data which would otherwise be constrained to a narrow part of the downlink bandwidth and would therefore be more susceptible to narrow-band fading. An example of a typical use for this transmission mode could be a Voice-over-IP (VoIP) service, where, in order to minimize overhead, certain frequency resources may be 'semi-persistently scheduled' (see Section 4.4.2.1) – in other words, certain RBs in the frequency domain are allocated on a periodic basis to a specific UE by Radio Resource Control (RRC) signalling rather than by dynamic PDCCH signalling. This means that the transmissions are not able to benefit from dynamic channel-dependent scheduling, and therefore the frequency diversity which is achieved through distributed mapping is a useful tool to improve performance. Moreover, as the amount of data to be transmitted per UE for a VoIP service is small (typically sufficient to occupy only one or two pairs of RBs in a given subframe), the degree of frequency diversity obtainable via localized scheduling is very limited.

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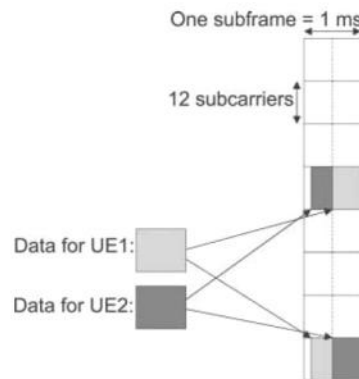


Figure 9.3: Frequency-distributed data mapping in LTE downlink.

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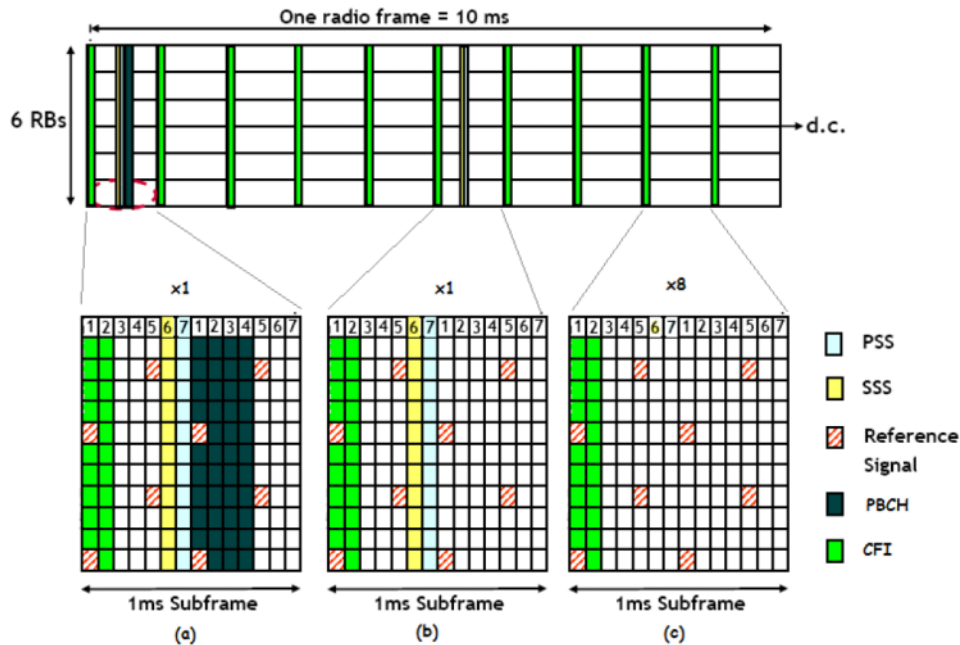
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Downlink control channels - 10min

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Four types of control channels in the DL

- PBCH: physical broadcast channel
 - essential system info of the cell
- PDCCH: physical downlink control channel
 - UL/DL scheduling decisions
 - link adaptation
- PHICH: physical Hybrid-ARQ indicator channel
 - Ack of UL transmissions
- PCFICH: physical control format indicator channel
 - size of the control block

- PCFICH \rightarrow PHICH \rightarrow PDCCH \rightarrow PBCH \rightarrow PDSCH
 1-
 traffic
 channel



PC72CH

- every DL subframe (1ms) contains a portion of the control information
- They can occupy the first 1, 2, or 3 symbols in time.
- The length is indicated by the PCFICH.
 - known as CF2 (control format indicator)
- PCFICH contains 16 REs, in group of 4 (called RE Group), and is at the first OFDM symbol of

every DL subframe at 4 given freq locations

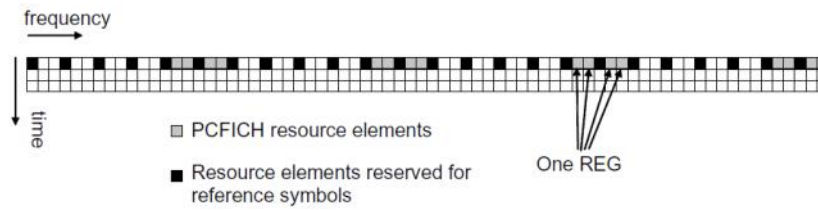


Figure 9.6: PCFICH mapping to Resource Element Groups (REGs).

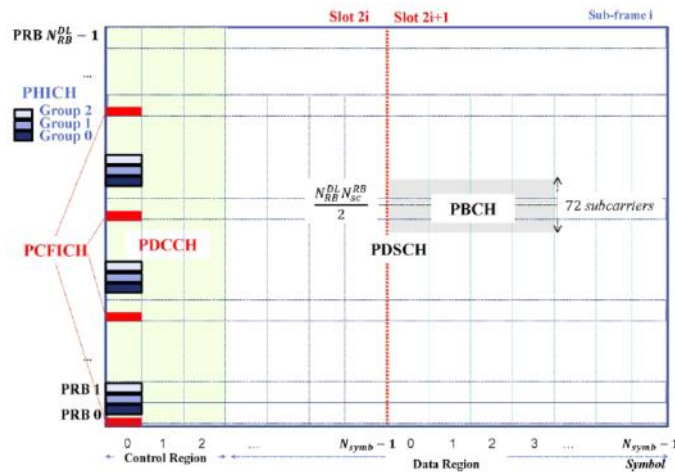
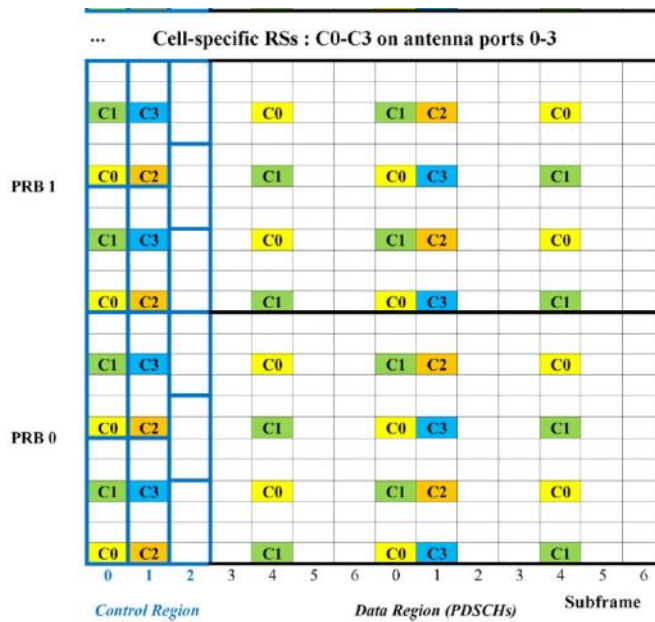


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- In this way, the amount of control overhead can be tuned based on the total BW etc.
- Depending on the value of CFI, REGs are organized in REGs



Note that some RBs are already taken out for RS.

PDCCH :

- ACK or NACK for UL transmission
- LTE uses a group-wise HARQ process
 - each group consists of 4 or 8 UEs
 - separated by orthogonal Walsh codes
 - each group is mapped to 3 freq. locations

PDCCH

- time/freq scheduling information
- Variable length

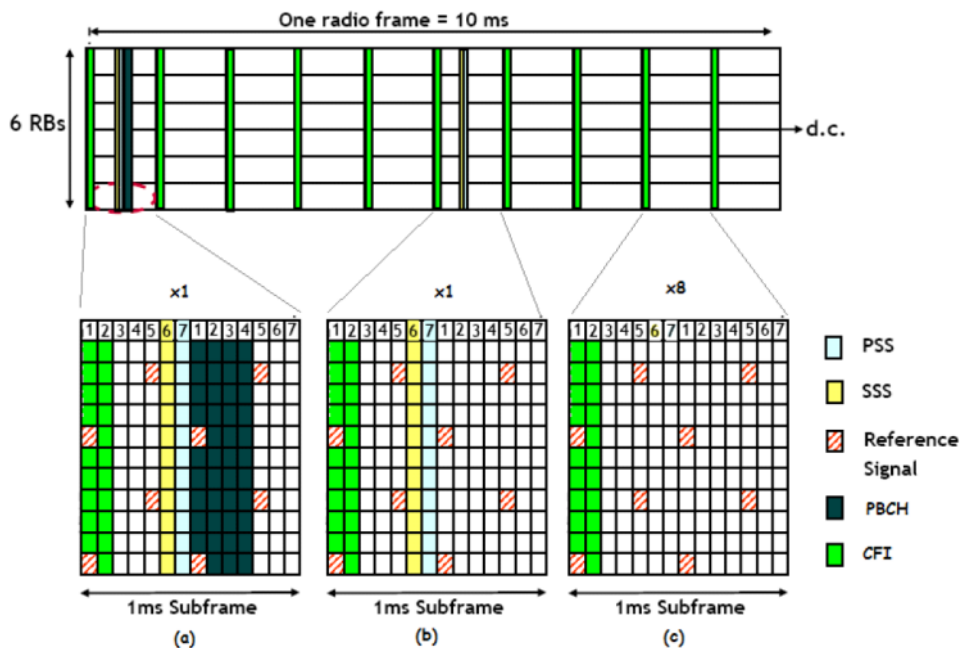
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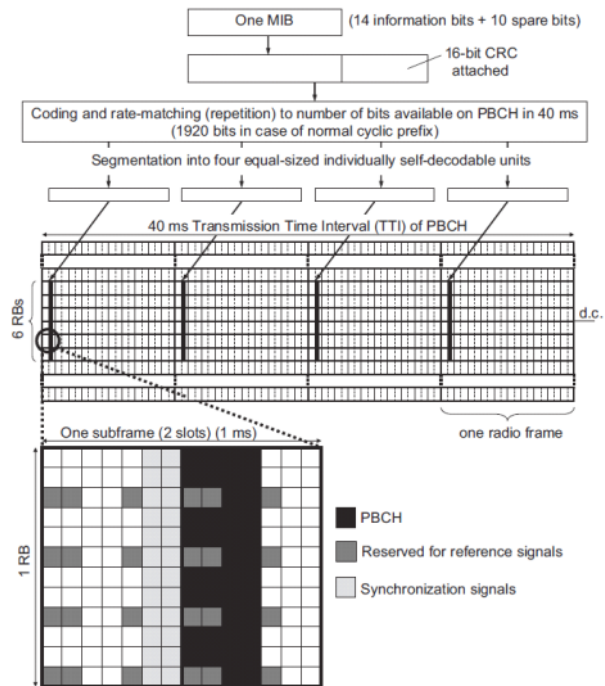
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- In order for the UE to know which PDCCH message is intended for the UE
- instead of using an ID field
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PBCH

- essential system information before normal data transmission (MIB)
- # of PRBs } master information block (MIB)
- FDD/TDD }
- every 40 ms (4 frame)
- 4 symbols in the first subframe of each frame
- over the center 6 PRB (72 subcarriers).





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Synchronization signals

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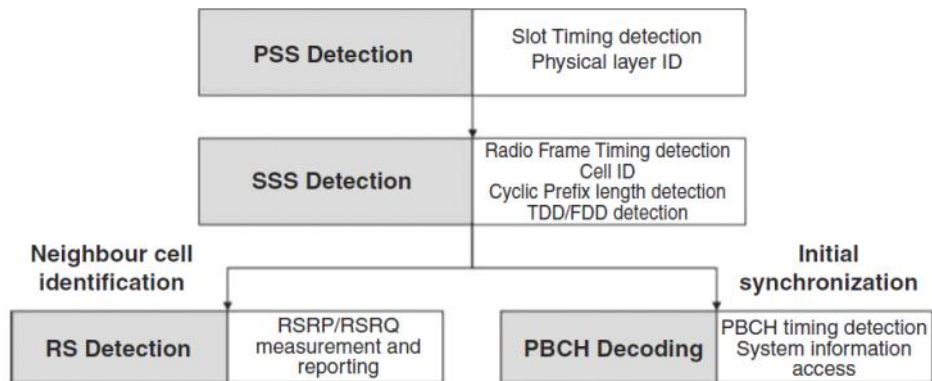


Figure 7.1: Information acquired at each step of the cell search procedure.

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- synchronization signals allow UEs to perform cell search
 - Acquire cell id, CP length, TDD/FDD
 - frame synchronization (of the 10ms frame)
- Both PSS and SSS are at the central 6 RBs, Allow UEs to work with any BW.
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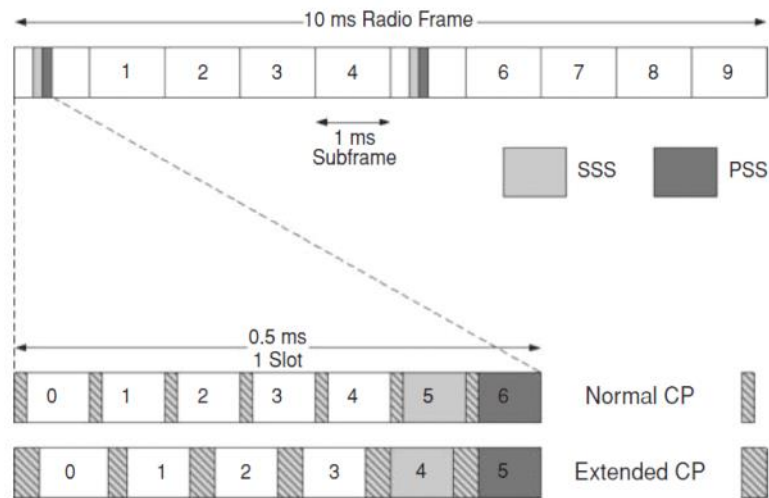


Figure 7.2: PSS and SSS frame and slot structure in time domain in the FDD case.

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- PSS is always at the last symbol of the 1st and 11th slot
- position independent of the CP
- SSS is right before it.
- The two SSS use different spread codes, enable UEs to detect frame synchronization
- UE checks the two CPs + detect SSS.

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