

Downlink Control Signaling for Frame Structure Design of IEEE 802.16m

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Introduction

- Downlink Control Signaling
 - System Information (DCD/UCD)
 - Management Messages (Inband Message)
 - Configuration Information (DL/UL MAP)
 - Scheduling (DL/UL MAP)
 - TGM Requirements
 - Low Latency Transmission
 - ➔ Shorter Frame Size (Subframe) ➔ Increase Control Overhead
 - High Spectral Efficiency
 - ➔ Small Control Overhead
 - Efficient Control Mechanism
- ➔ Latency & Overhead Trade-off
- ➔ Require New Frame and Control Structures

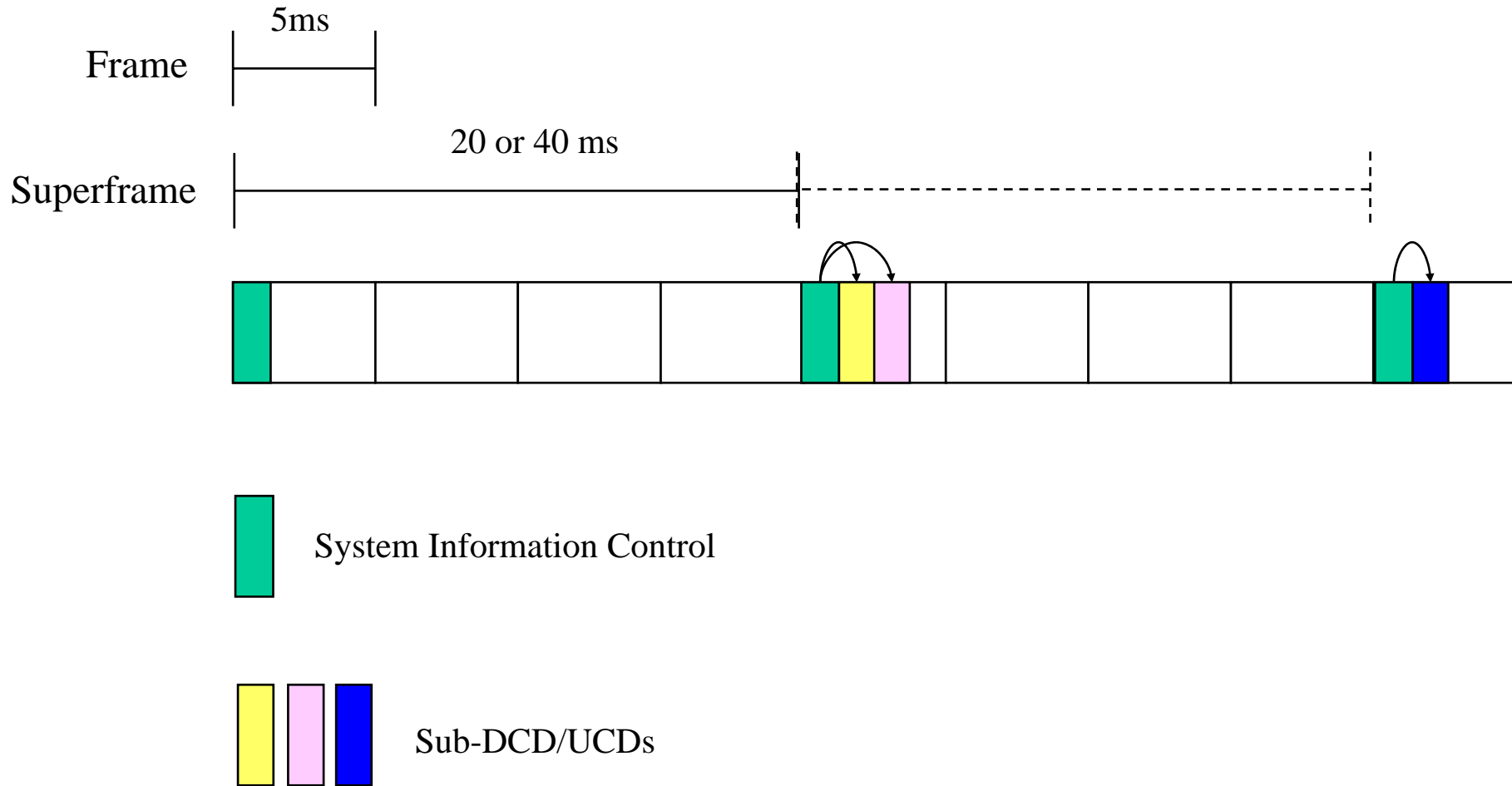
Broadcasting of System Information

- Limitations of the Legacy System
 - Long repetition period (0.5~10s)
 - Require long delay for the Network Entry Procedures
 - Hard to apply the flexible update of the system information for BS
 - Static, Semi-static, Dynamic System Information are transmitted by the same manner (with same periods)
 - Heavy Decoding Overhead for MS
 - Heavy overheads
 - Even with Small Change of the System Information, MS should decode all of the DCD/UCD

Broadcasting of System Information

- Divide DCD/UCD into sub-DCD/UCDs with smaller size
 - Dividing Rule
 - Related network procedures
 - Repetition Periods
 - Multiple repetition periods
 - Each Sub-DCD/UCDs have their own repetition periods
 - Different repetition periods according to their characteristics
- Long Period (0.5~10s) : Static Part (similar with Legacy DCD/UCDs)
- Medium Period (100~200ms): Semi-static Part
- **Short Period (20 ~ 40 ms) : Basic Period → Superframe**
 - Basic System Information (For fast initial Entry)
 - Dynamic Part (For Flexible BS control)

Broadcasting of System Information

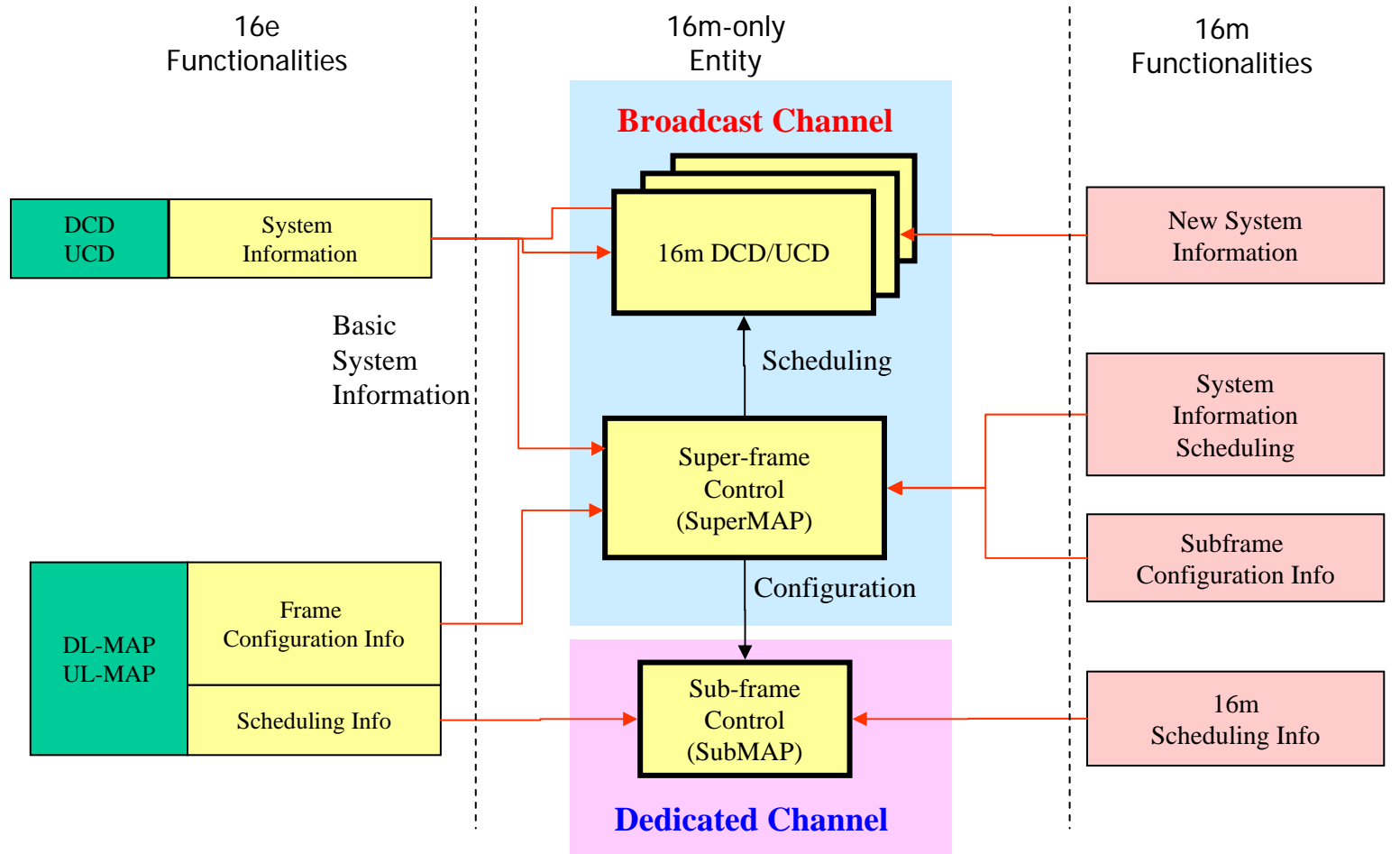


Hierarchical MAP

- Broadcasting Channel
 - Cover full cell coverage
 - Lowest Rate Channel Coding → Require High Spectrum Usage
 - Efficient for transmitting Common Control Information
 - System Information, System Configuration Info
 - Reliable transmission and flexible extension are more important factors
- Dedicated Channel
 - Optimize for the corresponding MS (Different MCS for each MS)
 - Efficient for transmitting the Dedicated Control Information
 - Scheduling Info
 - Low latency and Low decoding complexity are more important factors
- Direction of MAP Enhancement
 - Minimize the Common Control Information
 - More Active Use of the [Dedicated Control Channel](#)
 - Use Hierarchical Control Channel Structure

Hierarchical MAP

- Enhancement Concept

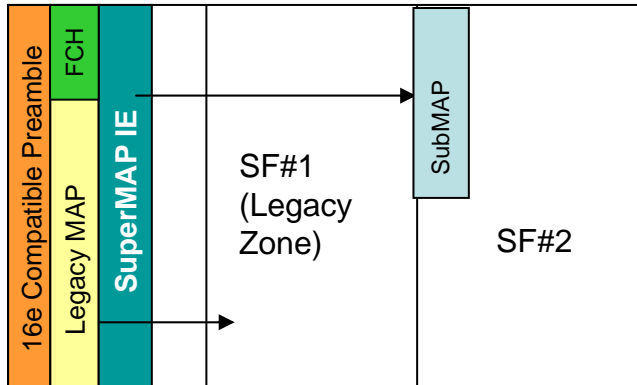


Hierarchical MAP

SuperMAP (Control Information)	SubMAP (Scheduling Information)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Every 20 or 40 ms ● Lowest Rate Channel Coding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Every Subframe ● Dedicated MCS for each MS or Burst
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Basic System Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ System Frame Number ■ [BS Status Information] ■ [Frame Configuration] ■ [Multiple Bandwidth info] ■ etc ● Sub-DCD/UCD Scheduling Info ● System Configuration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Resource Allocation Info ■ Subframe Control Channel Info ■ etc ● Etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Channel Type Info ● [CID or Scheduling ID for subframe] ● Resource Allocation ● Transmit Format info ● HARQ info ● [Enhanced Scheduling Info] ● Etc

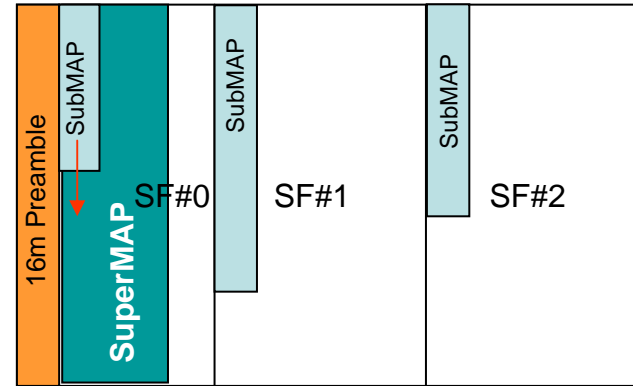
Frame Structure with Hierarchical MAP

- Legacy Support



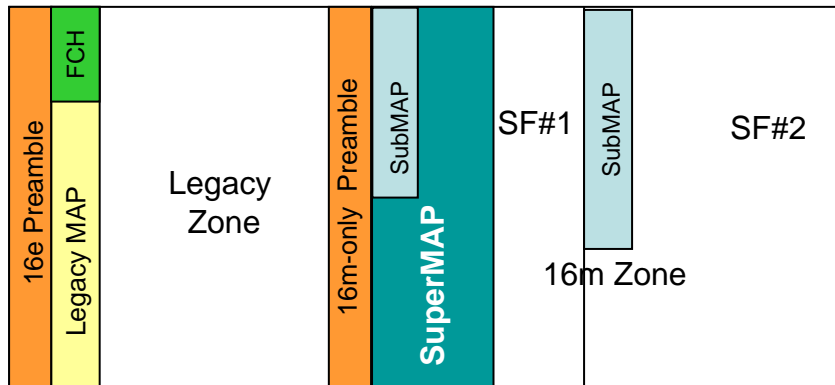
- Special Design of SuperMAP IE for Legacy Support (Minimize Duplicated overhead)

- Legacy Disabled



Indicated by SubMAP for the flexibility

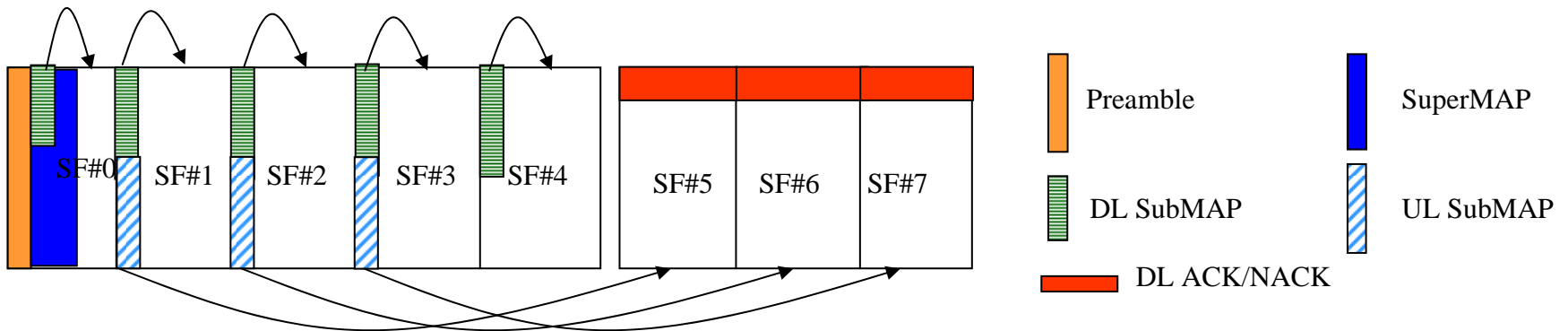
- Variable Size
- Variable MCS
- Variable Periods (20ms or 40ms : Operators Choice)



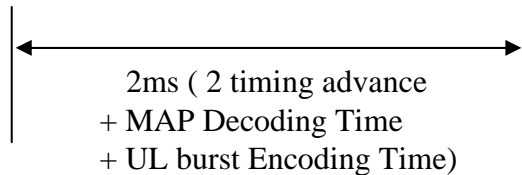
-Separate Control Channel for 16e and 16m each (Same Design with legacy-disabled mode)

Frame Structure with Hierarchical MAP

- The Relative Location of the SubMAP in a Frame
 - DL SubMAP : Same subframe with data
 - UL SubMAP : DL subframe with the fixed Subframe offset with data



The Location of the UL SubMAP in the DL Subframes
(In case of the fixed subframe offset of 4)



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•11.x. Frame Structure

For more flexible and efficient use of the spectrum, the hierarchical frame structure based on the “super-frame” and “sub-frame” is used for 802.16m system.

To support the hierarchical frame structure, a super-frame control and several sub-frame controls are applied for the downlink signaling.

Figure 1 shows the basic concept of the downlink control channel of 802.16m system.

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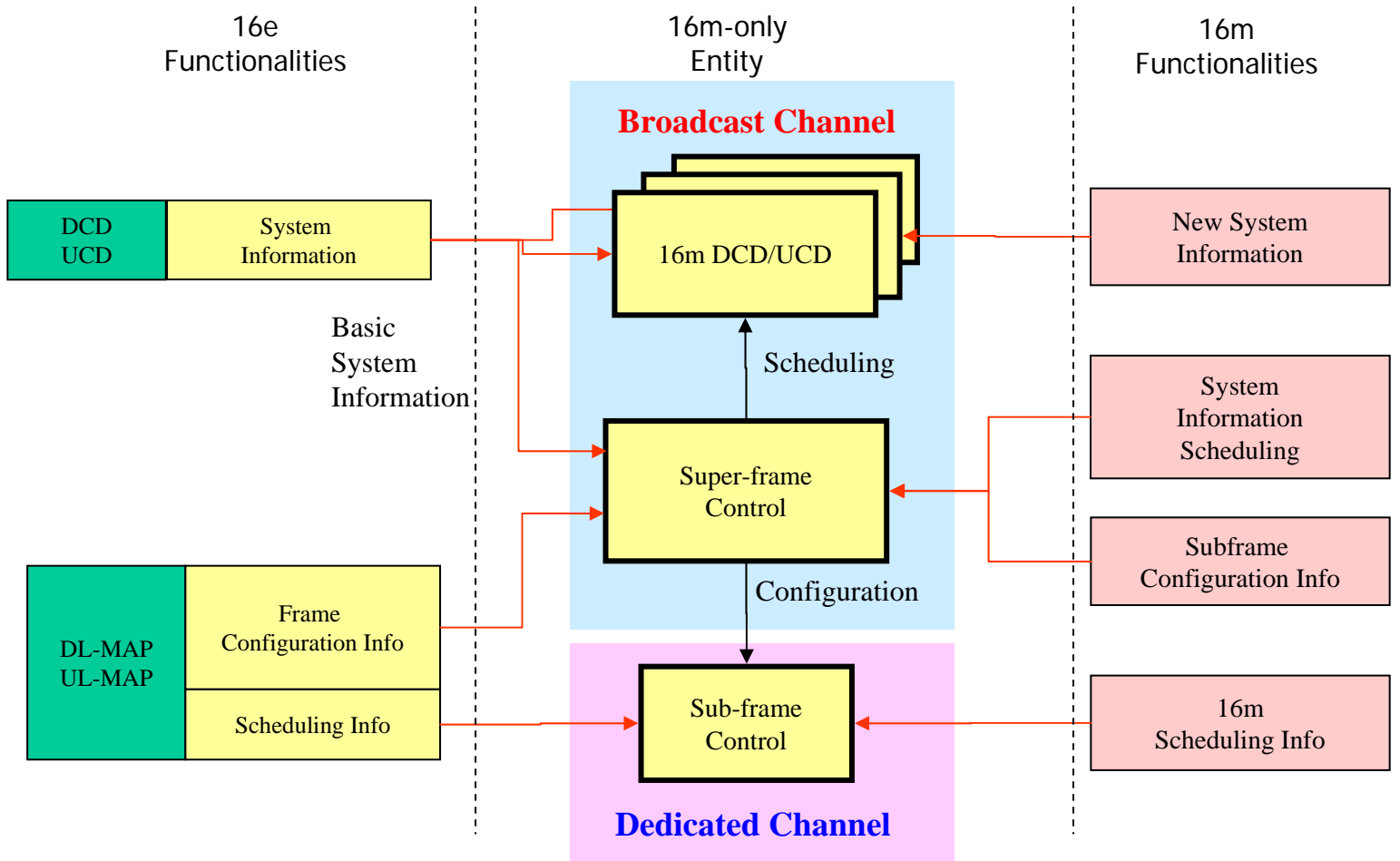


Figure 1. Basic concept of the downlink control channel of 802.16m system

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•11.x.y Super-Frame Control

The default super-frame size is 20 ms which is four times of 5 ms frame. Super-frame controls are located every 4 or 8 frames. The super-frame controls include basic system configuration information. The size and period of super-frame controls can be varied. This period should be determined as an operator's choice according to its trade-off between the overhead and the flexibility and the latency.

The main role of the super-frame control is to transmit the common control information, such as the sub-frame configuration and BS system information and so on. Super-frame control should be transmitted to cover the whole cell area.

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11.x.z Sub-Frame Control

The sub-frame size and the default TTI size is 6 OFDMA symbols. Sub-frame control shall be located in every TTI which is the integer multiples of the sub-frame. Sub-frame control should be transmitted with the optimized MCS format according to the environment of each receiver of MS.

The Sub-frame control shall play the main scheduling role in the 802.16m system.

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11.w Frame Structure for Legacy-Support Mode

11.w.v Super-frame Control Structure

The legacy regions and new regions are mixed in time domain. There are two options for inserting the super frame control into the frame, and Figure x describes two options.

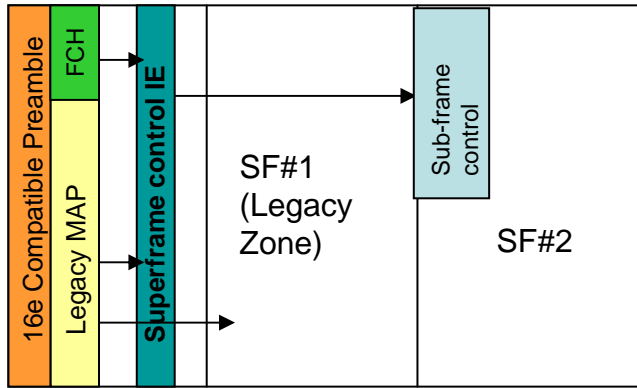
- Super-frame control IE

Super-frame control shall be inserted as a control IE in the Legacy DL MAP

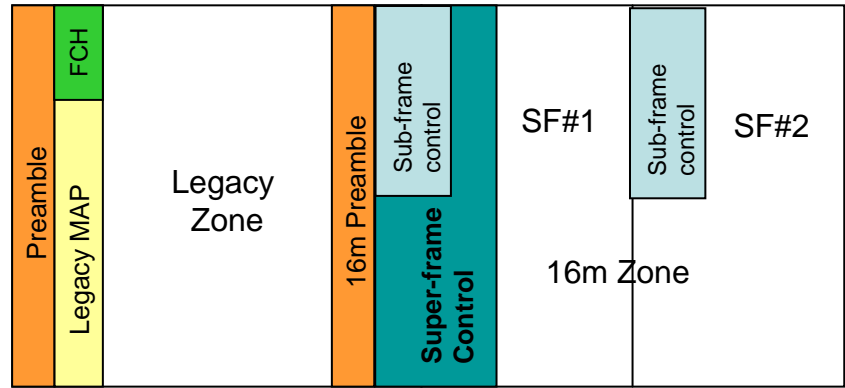
- TDM zone mapping

802.16m time zone shall be located in the separate time zone with the legacy system.

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(a) Indicated by Legacy MAP as a New MAP IE



(b) TDM Zone Mapping with a new 16m structure

Figure x The Position of the super frame control in the legacy support mode