



**Revisions to MIMO KDB  
Publication # 662911 D01  
“Emissions Testing of Transmitters with  
Multiple Outputs in the Same Band”**

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# Summary of the Revisions

- Clarify that the KDB applies to:
  - A single transmitter with multiple outputs or
  - Multiple transmitters that are part of a composite system
- Revise Directional Gain Calculations for:
  - Cyclic Delay [Shift] Diversity (CDD/CSD)
  - Spatial multiplexing combined with CDD/CSD or beamforming
- Add new directional gain calculations for:
  - Out-of-Band and Spurious Emissions

Remainder of presentation  
after overview



# Overview of MIMO KDB 662911 D01: Applicability

- Applies only to:
  - Antenna-port conducted measurements on...
  - Devices or composite systems with multiple-transmitter outputs in same or overlapping frequency range (e.g., MIMO)

**Applies only to conducted measurements**



# Overview of MIMO KDB: Main Points

- FCC limits apply to total emissions across all outputs
- **Directional gain =**  
***individual antenna gain + array gain***
  - For mutually uncorrelated signals (e.g., pure spatial multiplexing)
    - *Array gain = 0 dB*
  - For correlated signals (e.g., beamforming, cyclic delay diversity [CDD], or combination of correlated and uncorrelated):
    - *Array gain =  $10 \log(N_{ANT})$  dB,*  
where  $N_{ANT}$  = number of transmit antennas.

**Revision reduces calculated array gain for some cases of:**  
**(1) Cyclic delay diversity (CDD)**  
**(2) Combination of spatial multiplexing with beamforming or CDD.**



## Sidebar: When does directional gain matter for conducted measurements?

- When a conducted limit depends on directional gain
  - e.g., 15.247 (DTS), 15.407 (U-NII), or Part 90Y: Rules specify reduction in limits if directional gain exceeds X dBi.
- When conducted measurements are used for compliance with a radiated limit
  - e.g., in-band EIRP limit satisfied by measuring conducted power and adding directional gain
  - e.g., out-of-band field strength limit satisfied (in part) by measuring conducted emissions and adding directional gain *[New in this revision]*



# Topics

Array gain calculations for:

- Spatial multiplexing when combined with beamforming or CDD
- Cyclic Delay Diversity (CDD/CSD)
- Out-of-Band and Spurious Emissions



# Spatial Multiplexing

## ● Terms

- $N_{ANT}$  = Number of transmit antennas
- $N_{SS}$  = Number of spatial streams (i.e., # of independent data streams). Spatial multiplexing occurs when  $N_{SS} > 1$

## ● Pure spatial multiplexing: Independent data is transmitted on each antenna

- $N_{SS} = N_{ANT}$
- No correlation between Tx outputs → *Array gain* = 0 dB

## ● Spatial multiplexing combined with beamforming or CDD (correlated techniques) [ $1 < N_{SS} < N_{ANT}$ ]

- Previous guidance: *Array gain* =  $10 \log(N_{ANT})$
- **New guidance: *Array gain* =  $10 \log(N_{ANT}/N_{SS})$** 
  - See variations for cyclic delay diversity in 802.11

**Array gain is highest when  $N_{SS} = 1$**



# Spatial Multiplexing (continued)

## Caution!!!!

- Most devices that use spatial multiplexing also have some transmit modes with no spatial multiplexing (i.e.,  $N_{SS} = 1$ )
- Highest gain occurs when  $N_{SS} = 1$ 
  - More likely to exceed emission limits when  $N_{SS} = 1$  unless transmit power increases with  $N_{SS}$
- ➔ Be certain to ensure compliance with the lowest value of  $N_{SS}$  (usually  $N_{SS} = 1$ ). **The application filing must clearly include a proper justification for the lowest value used.**





# Spatial Multiplexing in 802.11

## 802.11n Modes

(Tables 20-30 to 20-44  
of IEEE Std 802.11-2012)

- **802.11a/b/g** →  $N_{SS} = 1$
- **802.11n modes**– See table →
- **Pre 802.11ac** (Draft P802.11ac\_D3.0)
  - Can operate with  $N_{SS} = 1$  to 8
  - $N_{SS}$  not defined by MCS index

Modulation and Coding Scheme Index	Number of Spatial Streams ( $N_{SS}$ )
MCS 0 – MCS 7	1
MCS 8 – MCS 15	2
MCS 16 – MCS 23	3
MCS 24 – MCS 31	4
MCS 32	1
MCS 33 – MCS 38	2
MCS 39 – MCS 52	3
MCS 53 – MCS 76	4



# Cyclic Delay Diversity (CDD) [also called Cyclic Shift Diversity (CSD)]

- A different cyclic delay is added to each Tx output
- Creates array gain unintentionally
- Direction(s) of maximum gain vary with frequency
  - At a single frequency (or over a narrow band), array gain can be  $\approx 10 \log(N_{\text{ANT}})$   
[applies to power spectral density measurements]
  - Broadband array gain < narrowband array gain due to smearing for directional pattern with frequency  
[applies to power measurements]
- Gain varies with array geometry, cyclic delays, bandwidth, and center frequency

**Analysis on next 10 slides is specific to CDD for 802.11**



# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Two Sets of Cyclic Delays

## Short Cyclic Delays

(Table 22-10 of IEEE Draft P802.11ac\_D3.0\*)

Short cyclic delays change character for  $N > 5$ :  
Multiples of 25 ns vs 50 ns  
and irregular order

$N_{ANT}$	Delay (ns) for Specified Antenna							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	0	200						
3	0	100	200					
4	0	50	100	150				
5	0	175	25	50	75			
6	0	200	25	150	175	125		
7	0	200	150	25	175	75	50	
8	0	175	150	125	25	100	50	200

## Long Cyclic Delays

(Table 22-11 of IEEE Draft P802.11ac\_D3.0\*)

$N_{ANT}$	Delay (ns) for Specified Antenna							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	0	400						
3	0	400	200					
4	0	400	200	600				
5	0	400	200	600	350			
6	0	400	200	600	350	650		
7	0	400	200	600	350	650	100	
8	0	400	200	600	350	650	100	750

\* Delays for  $N_{ANT} \leq 4$  match 802.11-2012



# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Array Configurations

Analysis included  $N_{ANT} = 4$  and 5 because short CDD delays change character at  $N_{ANT} \geq 5$

$N_{ANT}$	LINE	RECTANGLE 1 or SQUARE 1	RECTANGLE 2 or SQUARE 2	CIRCLE
2	<p>1 2 10 cm spacing</p>			
4	<p>1 2 3 4 10 cm spacing</p>	<p>4 ● 3 ● 1 ● 2 ● 17.5 cm x 10.9 cm</p>	<p>3 ● 4 ● 1 ● 2 ● 17.5 cm x 10.9 cm</p>	
5	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 cm spacing</p>	<p>4 ● 3 ● 5 ● 1 ● 2 ● 10 cm side</p>	<p>4 ● 5 ● 3 ● 1 ● 2 ● 10 cm side</p>	<p>3 ● 2 ● 4 ● 1 ● 5 ● 12 cm radius</p>
8	<p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 6 cm spacing</p>	<p>7 ● 6 ● 5 ● 8 ● 4 ● 1 ● 2 ● 3 ● 20 cm side</p>	<p>6 ● 7 ● 8 ● 4 ● 5 ● 1 ● 2 ● 3 ● 20 cm side</p>	<p>4 ● 3 ● 2 ● 5 ● 1 ● 6 ● 7 ● 8 ● 12 cm radius</p>

All arrays are in horizontal plane with omnidirectional antennas

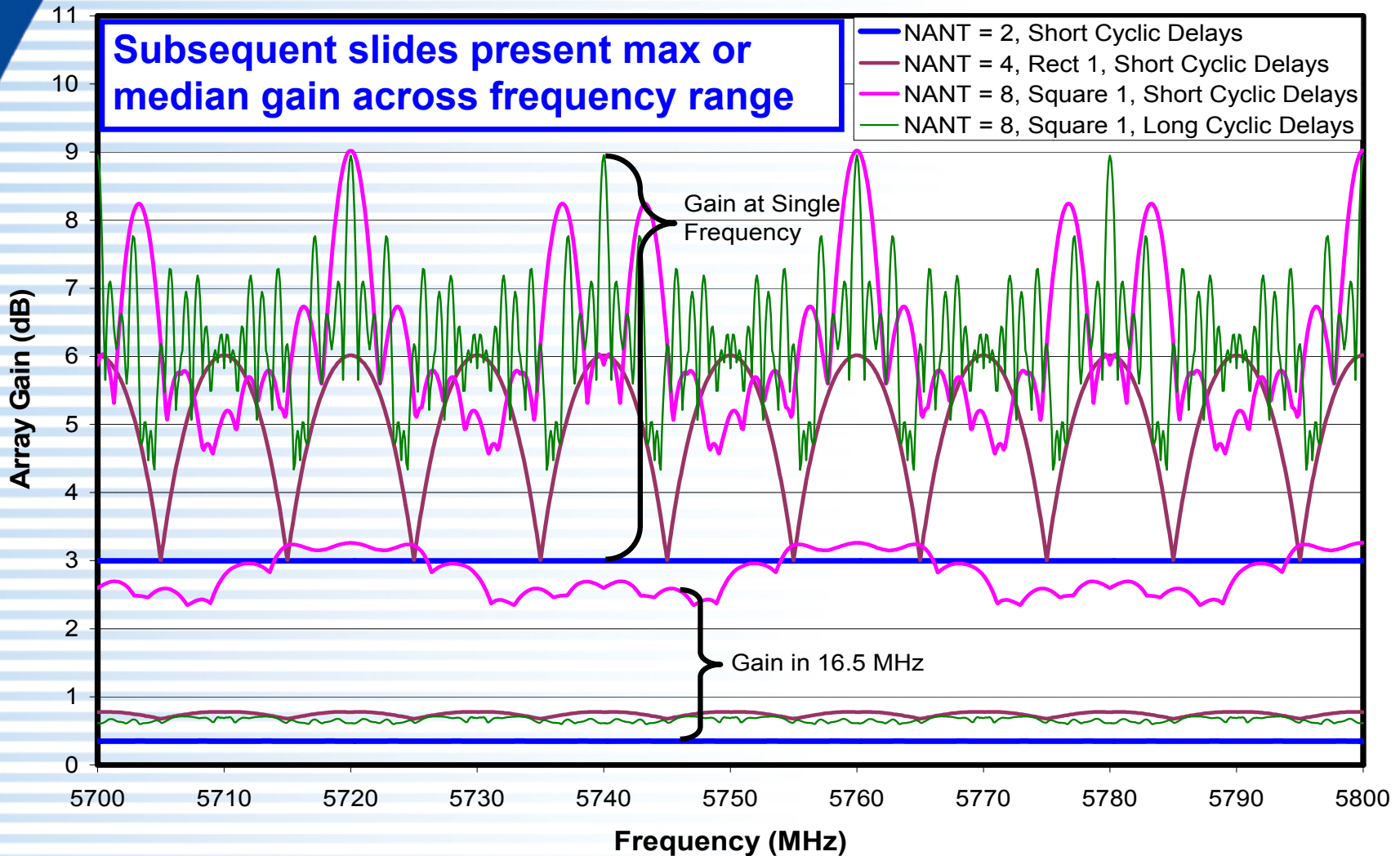


# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Methodology

- Wrote MATLAB code to compute directional response
    - 0-360° azimuth and 0-45° elevation
    - “Smearred” patterns over bandwidths of 0 – 80 MHz
    - Center frequencies from 5700-5800 MHz
    - For each bandwidth and center frequency, found peak response (array gain)
    - Found max and median array gain across center frequency range
- $N_{SS} = 1$  for all analysis

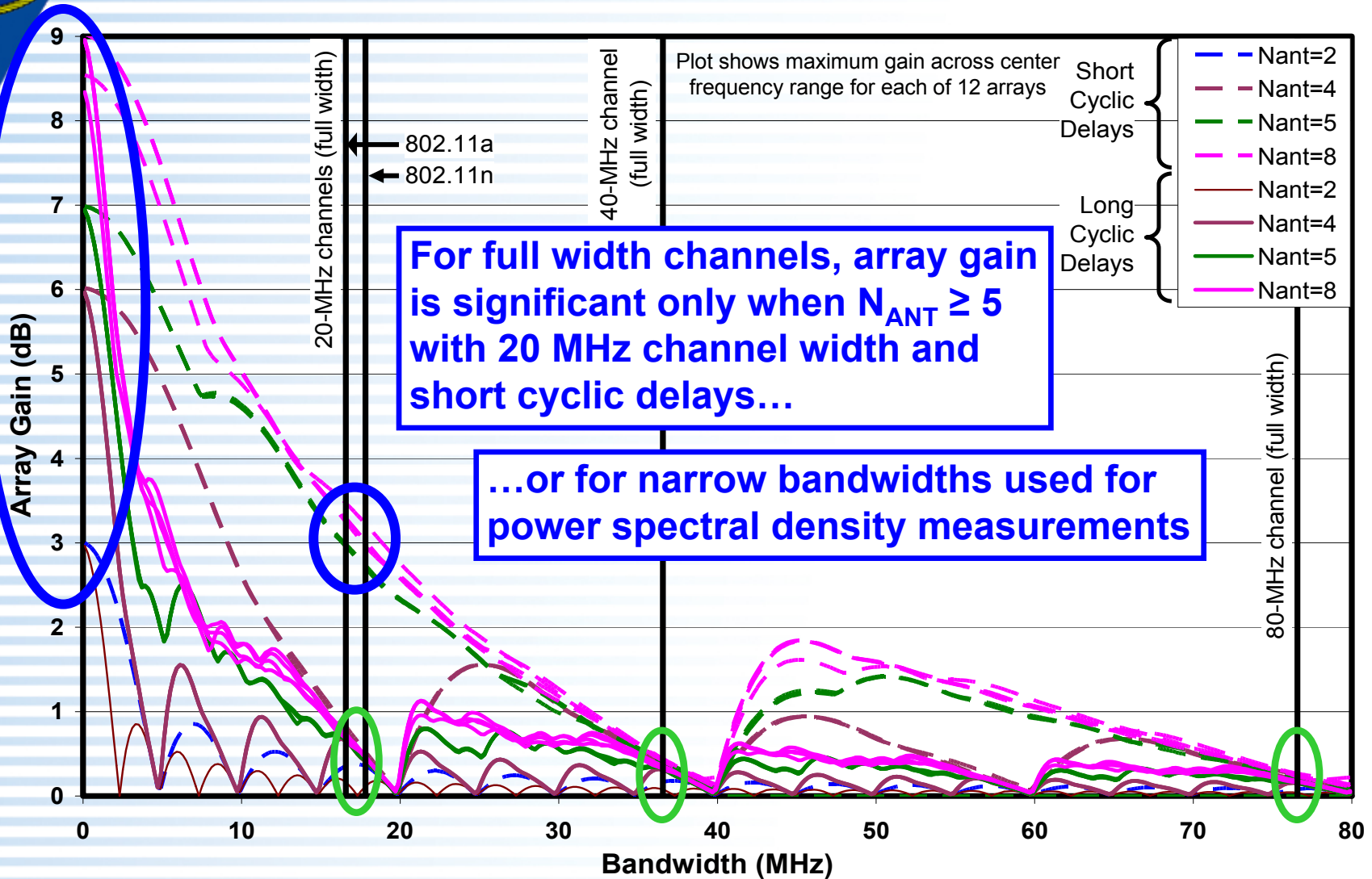


# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Array Gain Vs Frequency Examples





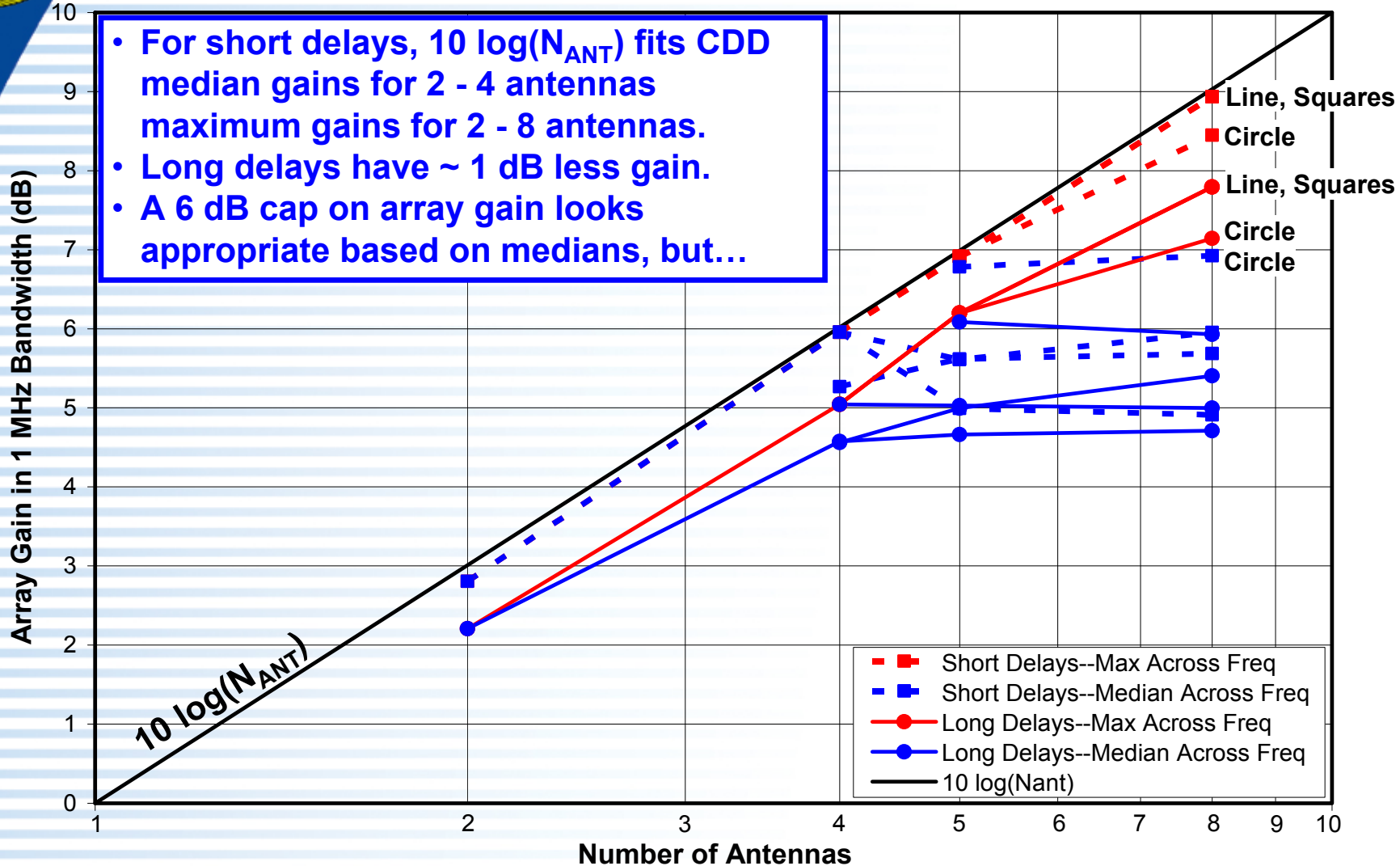
# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Maximum Array Gain Vs Bandwidth





# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Array Gain for 1 MHz Bandwidth

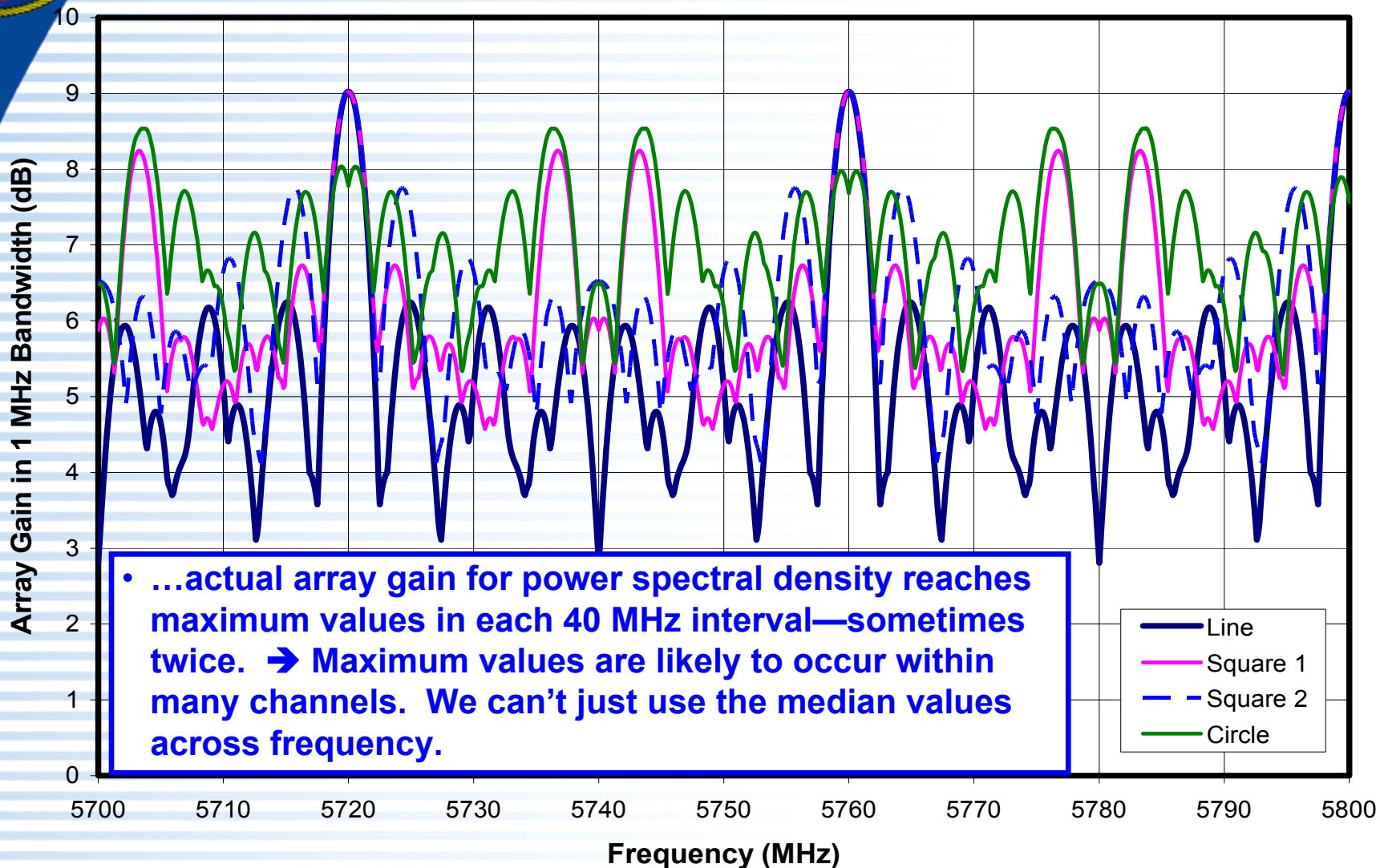
- For short delays,  $10 \log(N_{ANT})$  fits CDD median gains for 2 - 4 antennas maximum gains for 2 - 8 antennas.
- Long delays have ~ 1 dB less gain.
- A 6 dB cap on array gain looks appropriate based on medians, but...





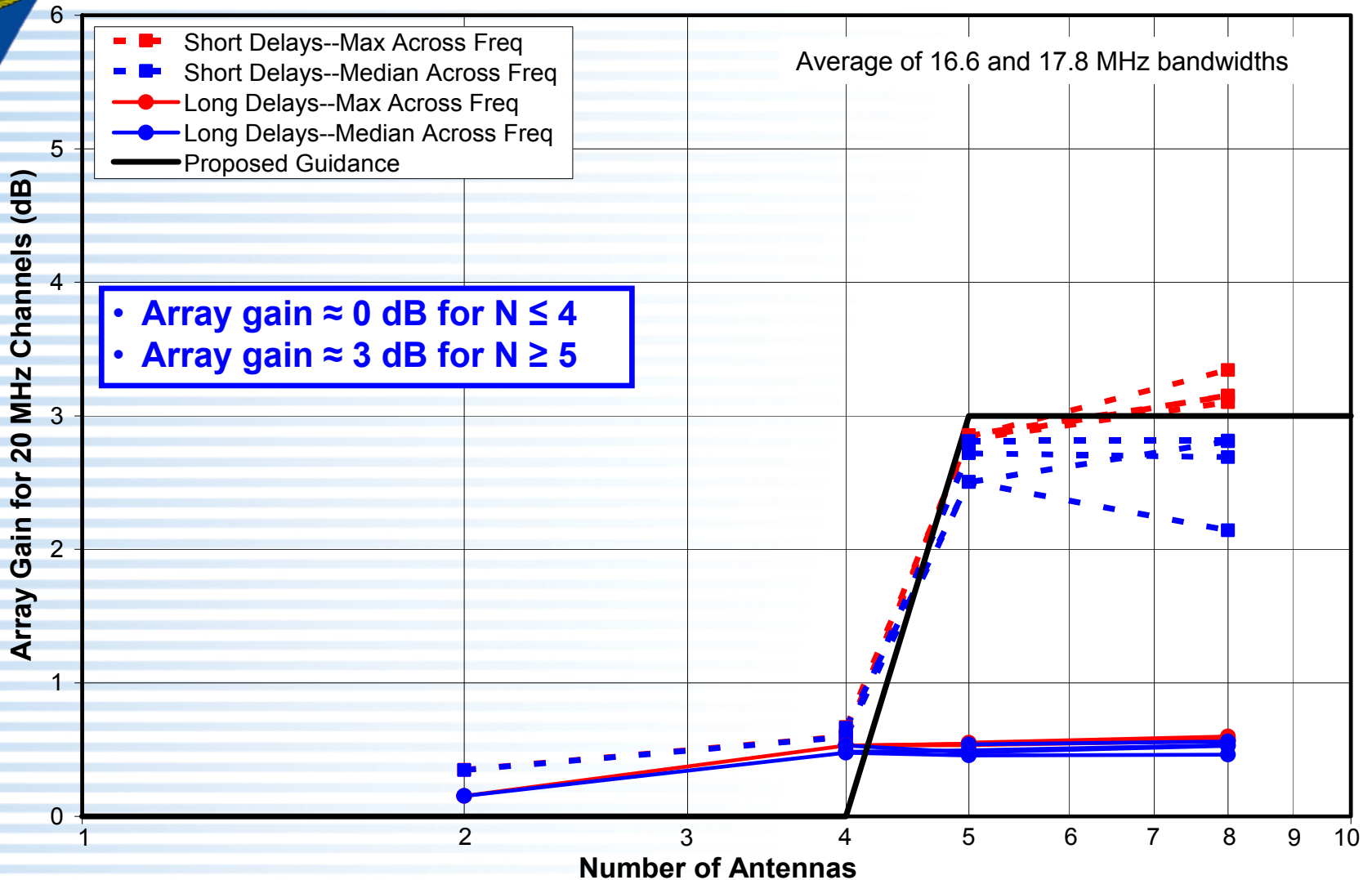


# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Array Gain for 1 MHz Bandwidth





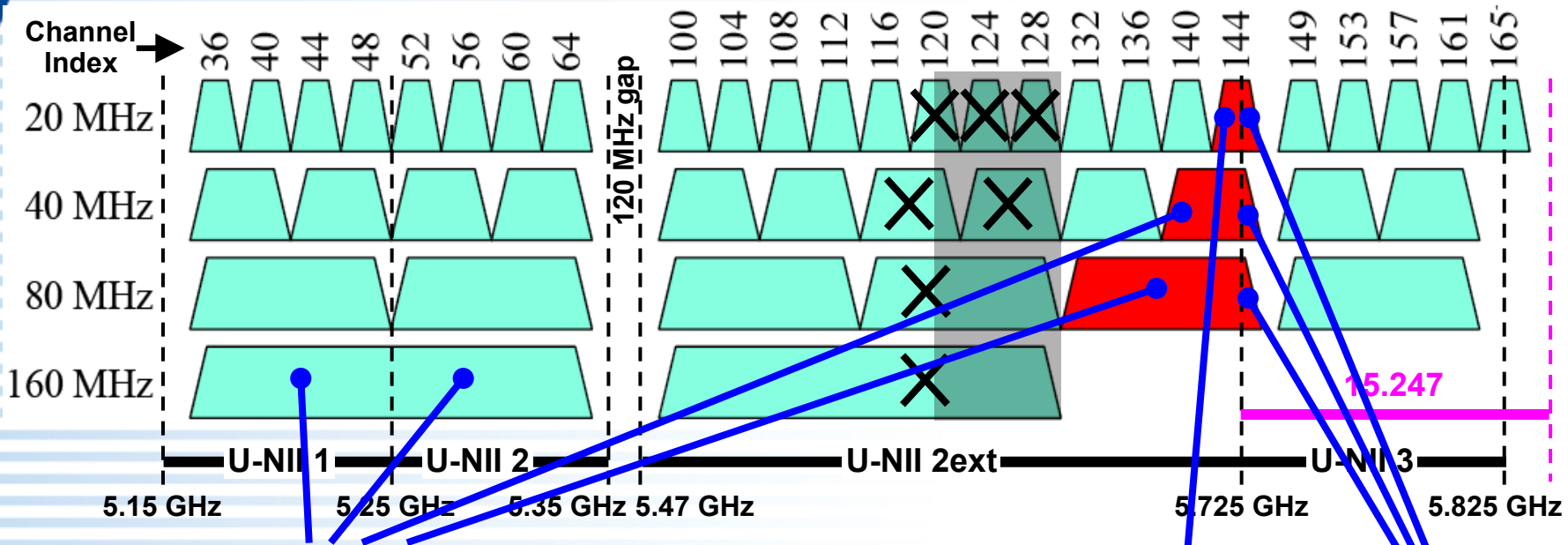
# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Array Gain for 20 MHz Channels





# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Effects of Band Straddling

What if array gain is high for the portion of a channel that falls within one FCC band?



No problem here: 33-78 MHz in band → Gain < 1 dB

But here: 13.3 – 13.9 MHz in U-NII 3 → up to 4 dB gain

And here: 3.3 – 3.9 MHz in U-NII 2ext → up to 8 dB gain



# FCC Analysis of 802.11 CDD: Effects of Band Straddling

- Decision: No requirement for separate calculation of array gain of band-straddling channels
  - Increased gain is offset by reduced power in band and by higher limits in U-NII 3 band
- May revisit if we find that power of U-NII 3 subcarriers of split channels are increased



# Revised Cyclic Delay Diversity Guidance

- *Total Directional Gain = Individual antenna gain + Array gain*
- **To Compute Limits on Power Spectral Density (PSD):**
  - **Array gain =  $10 \log(N_{ANT}/N_{SS})$ ,**  
where  $N_{ANT}$  = # of transmit antennas and  $N_{SS}$  = # of spatial streams
- **To Compute Limits on Power**
  - **For 802.11 devices:**
    - **Array gain = 0 dB** for  $N_{ANT} \leq 4$
    - **Array gain = 0 dB** for channel widths  $\geq 40$  MHz for any  $N_{ANT}$
    - **Array gain =  $5 \log(N_{ANT}/N_{SS})$  or 3 dB**, whichever is less, for 20-MHz channel widths with  $N_{ANT} \geq 5$
  - **For all other devices:**
    - **Array gain =  $10 \log(N_{ANT}/N_{SS})$** , or...
    - Consult with the FCC, providing details of specific cyclic delays, channelization, signal bandwidths, and antenna configurations.

**Be certain to ensure compliance with  $N_{SS} = 1$**



# Need for Array Gain Calculation for Out-of-Band (OOB) and Spurious Emissions

- Applies only when conducted measurements contribute to proving compliance with radiated limits
- Motivation: KDB Pubs. 558074 (DTS) and 789033 (U-NII) now permit OOB & spurious compliance to be demonstrated by combination of:
  - Cabinet radiated measurements and
  - Antenna-port conducted measurements
    - *Radiated emission = measured conducted emission + directional gain + conversion to field strength*



# New Guidance on Array Gain for Out-of-Band (OOB) and Spurious Emissions

- *Directional gain = individual antenna gain + array gain*
- *Array gain =*
  - $10 \log(N_{ANT})$  for narrowband lines such as might originate from a clock or local-oscillator, including harmonics;
  - The value applicable for in-band PSD measurements, at all other frequencies.

**These array gain values are conservative. Use radiated measurements at/near frequencies where conducted tests do not show compliance.**



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# Questions and Answers

**Thanks!**