

# Consideration of a problem indicated in FFloT report

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# Introduction

- This document has been arranged to explain a possible problem in wired/wireless bridged network for factories, which is indicated in the Flexible Factory IoT (FFIoT) report[1].
- The network should be tolerant to rapid changes in link/path quality. 802.1Qcc address this issue [2] and more enforcement may be required with consideration of the anticipated problem.

[1] 1-18-0025-04-ICne-pre-draft-update-to-1-18-0002-05-icne-wired-wireless-flexible-factories-iot.pdf

[2] Bandwidth availability parameter management, 802.1Qcc, Draft 2.3.(Section 34.3.3)

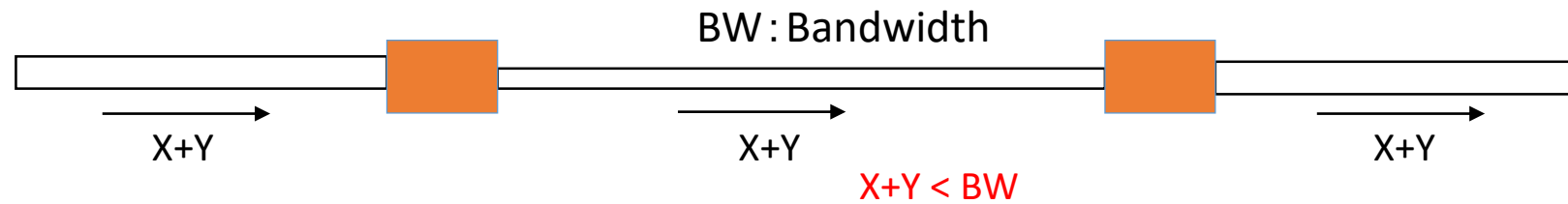
# Problem

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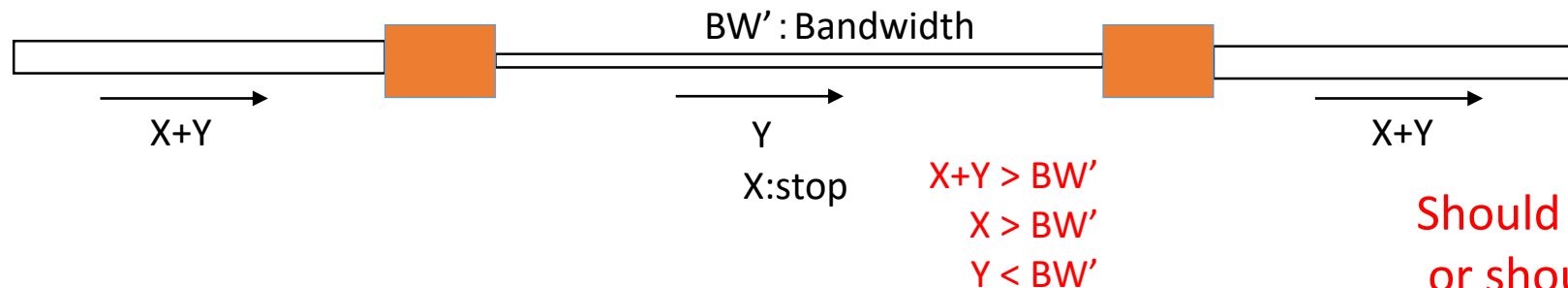
X: Data rate of application X  
Y: Data rate of application Y

(1) Data rate  $X+Y < BW$



Under Initial (good) condition

(2) When BW decreases to  $BW'$  ( $< X+Y$ ), both applications X and Y stop.



Should stop both X and Y?  
or should stop only X?

# Solution

(3) In case that another path exists.

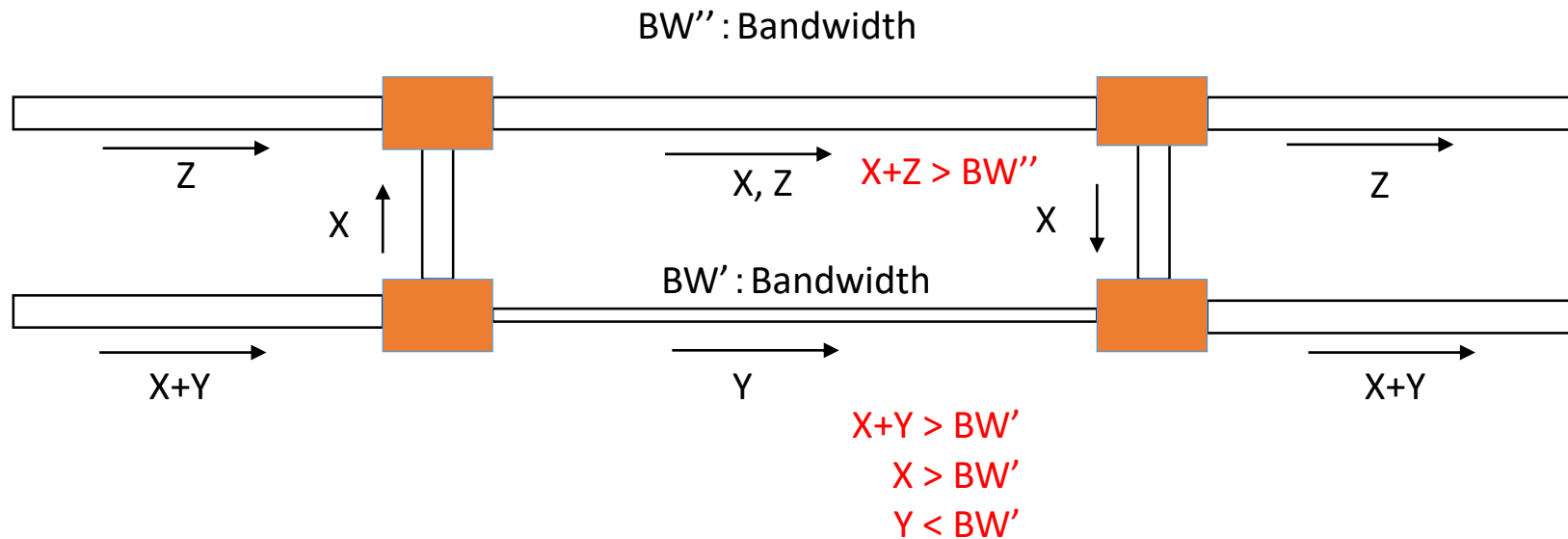
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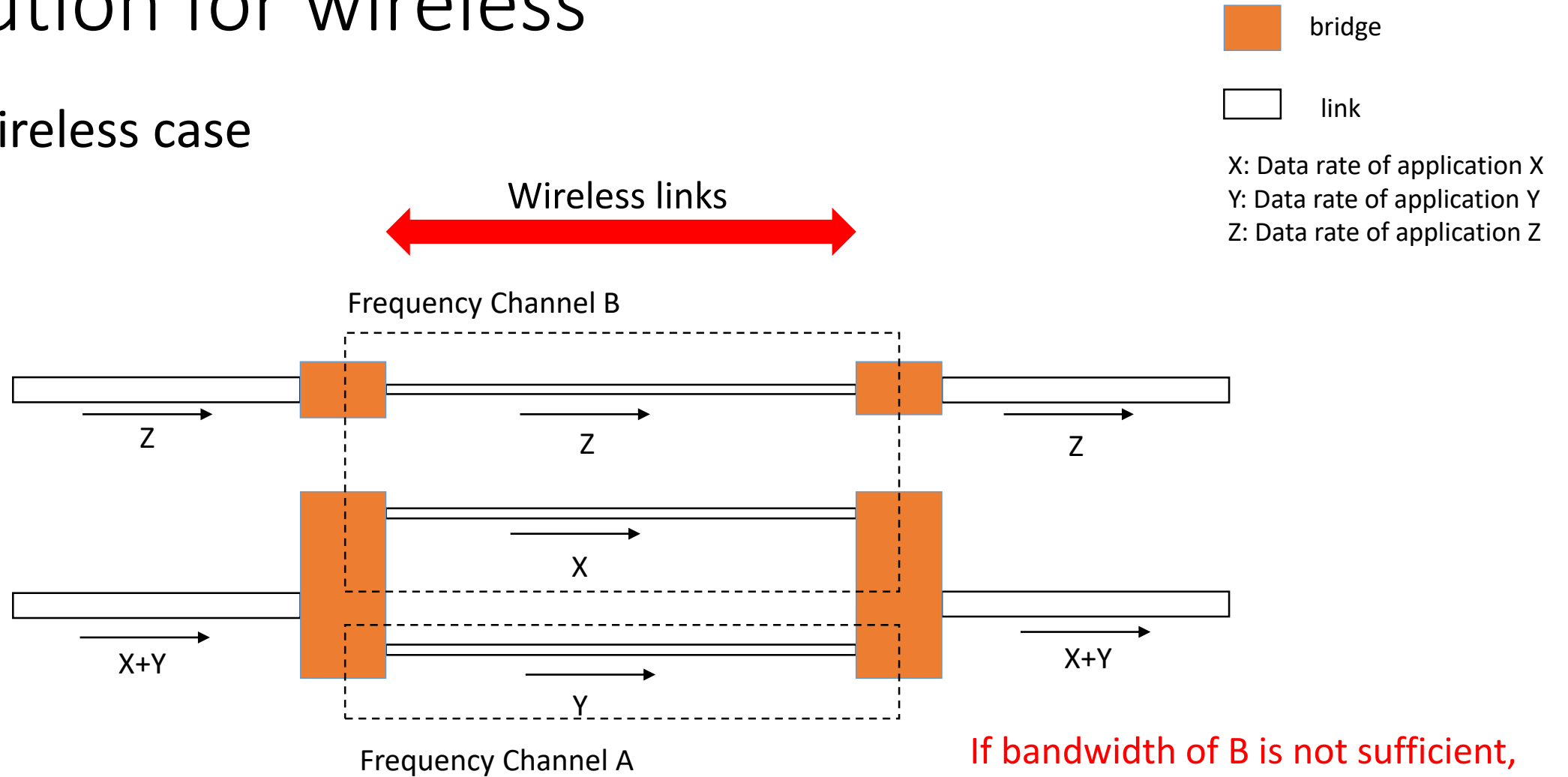
Z: Data rate of application Z



Need to know data rates (as data attributes),  
not traffic types, for control of data flow.

# Solution for wireless

## (4) Wireless case



If bandwidth of B is not sufficient, should stop Z if priority of Z is lower.

# What are data attributes?

## Definitions (from FFloT report)

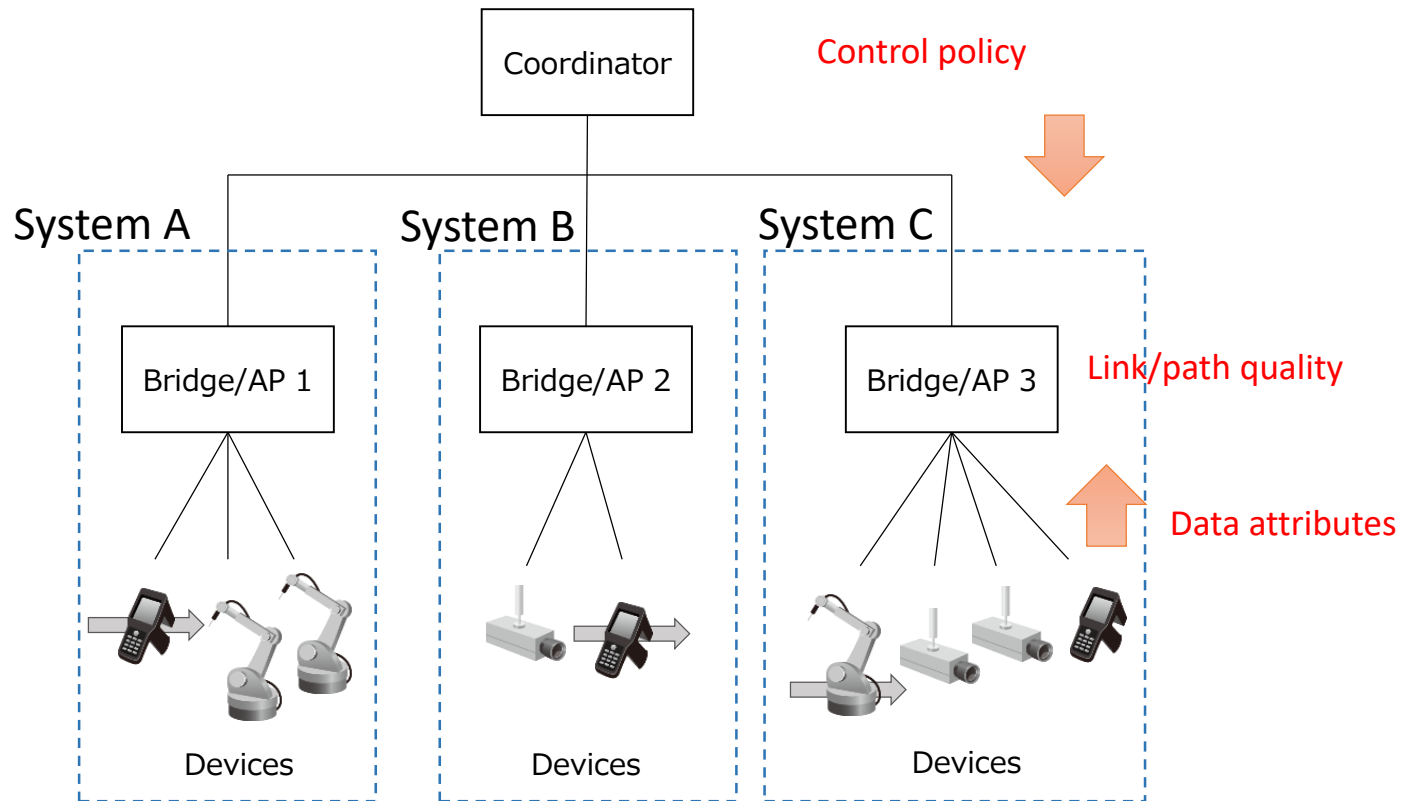
Data attributes: common information including various requirements, **e.g. data rates** (or data size at an application level and data frequency), latency, affordability of packet loss.

## Data attributes are information to be used at bridges/APs for

1. Control of data flows across wireless links.
2. Joint coordination of frequency channel and forwarding paths.
3. Spatial control for wireless links, i.e. power and antenna directivity.

Changed from bandwidth to data rates written in red.

# Coordination of distributed systems



Each system operates autonomously to adapt to short-term fluctuation of wireless links.



- For autonomous operation at each system, bridges/AP should be intelligent to consider control policy, link/path quality and data attributes.

\* Dynamic: change with long-term wireless environment, using applications.

# Reference model

