

# Vehicular-to-Pedestrian Channel Models

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# Abstract

- **Protect vulnerable road users with reliable vehicle-to-pedestrian communications to reduce accidents**
- **Accurate vehicle-to-pedestrian channel models to design reliable vehicle-to-pedestrian communications**
- **Comparison of V2X channels**
- **Related work on vehicle-to-pedestrian channel models**
- **V2P path loss models**

# Motivation

- Vulnerable road users account for 30% of road fatalities in Europe.
- Sensor-based crash avoidance systems suffer from limitations.
- 360 degree awareness by direct exchange of information between vehicles and pedestrians



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**Accurate V2P channel models required for reliable communication system**

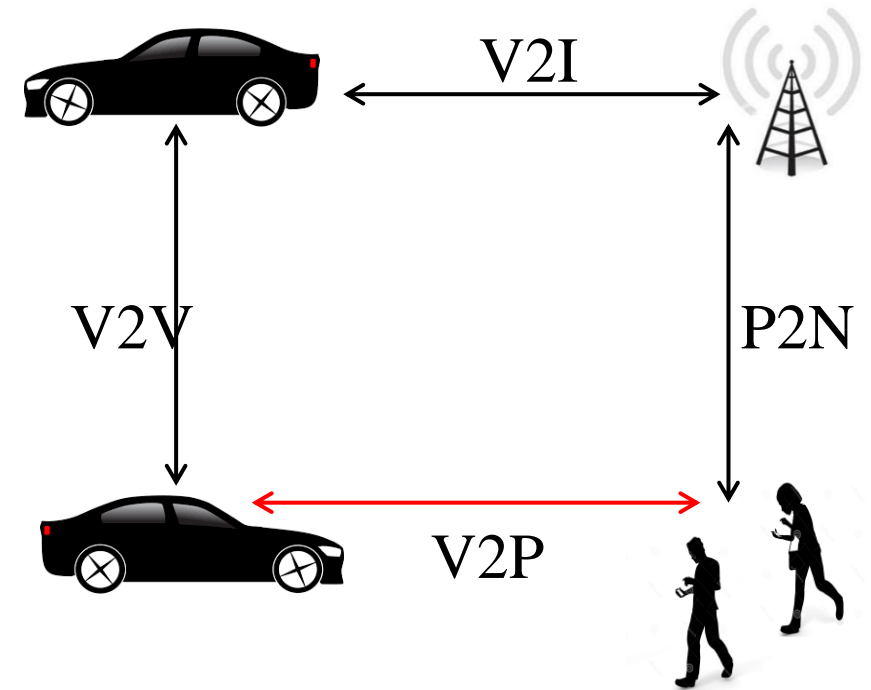
**Extensive work has been done for**

- vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V)
- vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I)
- person-to-network (P2N)

**V2P channel models only 3 recent papers**

[2] @ 1.85 GHz, [3] @ 3.8 GHz, [4] @ 5.2 GHz

Much work to be done!



# Comparison of V2X Channels

- **V2V, V2I and V2P:** Different antenna height, mobility pattern, and propagation scenarios  
→ different propagation aspects
- **Nonstationary V2V and V2P channels:**  
Time-variant channel statistics due to moving TX, RX, and dynamic environment
- **Signal attenuation:** Strong spatio-temporal correlations
  
- **Stochastic channel models [2]:** Large-scale VANET simulators e.g., ns3 and OMNet++  
→ Average packet delivery ratio, but difficult to account for geometry dependent correlations
- **Geometry-based stochastic channel model (GSCM) [3], [4]:** Link level and system level simulations in particular for safety-relevant applications such as platooning, automated and remote driving  
→ Geometry dependent packet outages, but higher complexity

# Related Work: 3GPP 5G V2X Channel Models & Evaluation Methodology

## **3GPP 5G V2X use case groups [5]:**

- Vehicle platooning
- Extended sensors
- Automated driving
- Remote driving

## **→ 5G V2V performance evaluation for use case groups:**

Adapted parameter sets of GSCM [6] for below and above 6 GHz

## **→ V2P and V2I models assume same parameters as V2V**

Realistic?

## Related Work: V2P Channel Models

### V2P stochastic channel models (SCM) @ 1.85 GHz [2]

- In-vehicle to pedestrian
- LOS/NLOS and in pocket/next to face
- Path loss, shadow, small scale, and multi scale fading parameters based on measurements
- SCM with combination of Weibull and Rayleigh distributions

### V2P channel models @ 3.8 GHz [3]

- Only LOS evaluated
- RX antenna fixed on long wooden stick → untypical, best case pedestrian scenario
- Two-ray path loss model < 32 meters

# V2P Path Loss Models

Based on [4] @ 5.2 GHz:

- **Line-of-Sight (LOS):**
  - **Static pedestrian:** Two-ray ground reflection path loss model
  - **Moving pedestrian, texting:** Log-distance path loss model + increased shadow fading
- **NLOS due to other nearby pedestrians:**  
5-10 dB additional path loss due to shadowing
- **NLOS due to parked vehicles:**  
Multiple knife edge diffraction model
- **NLOS due to buildings:**  
Log-distance path loss model (propagation through building) + knife edge diffraction (+ reflections/scattering)



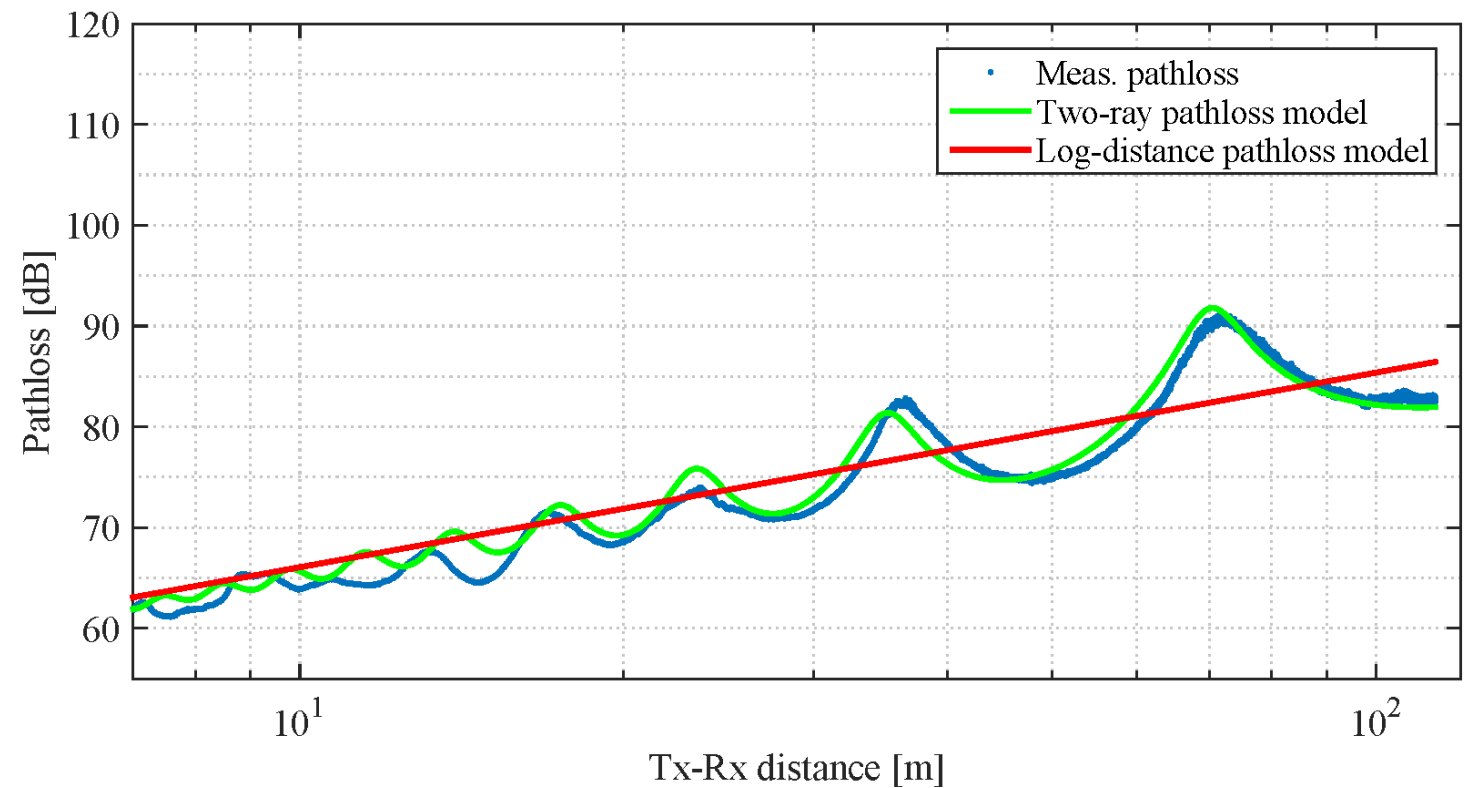
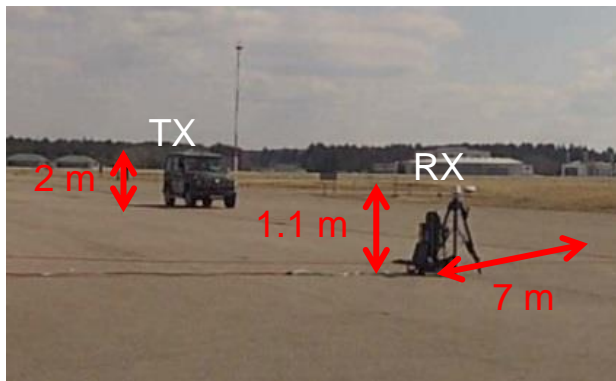
# V2P Path Loss Models: LOS – Static Tripod

## Log-distance path loss model

- Reference distance  $d_0 = 1$  m
- Loss at  $d_0$   $P_L(d_0) = 46.77$  dB
- Path loss exponent  $n = 2.03$

## Log-normal shadow fading

- Standard deviation  $\sigma = 3.23$  dB



# V2P Path Loss Models: LOS – Moving Pedestrian, Texting

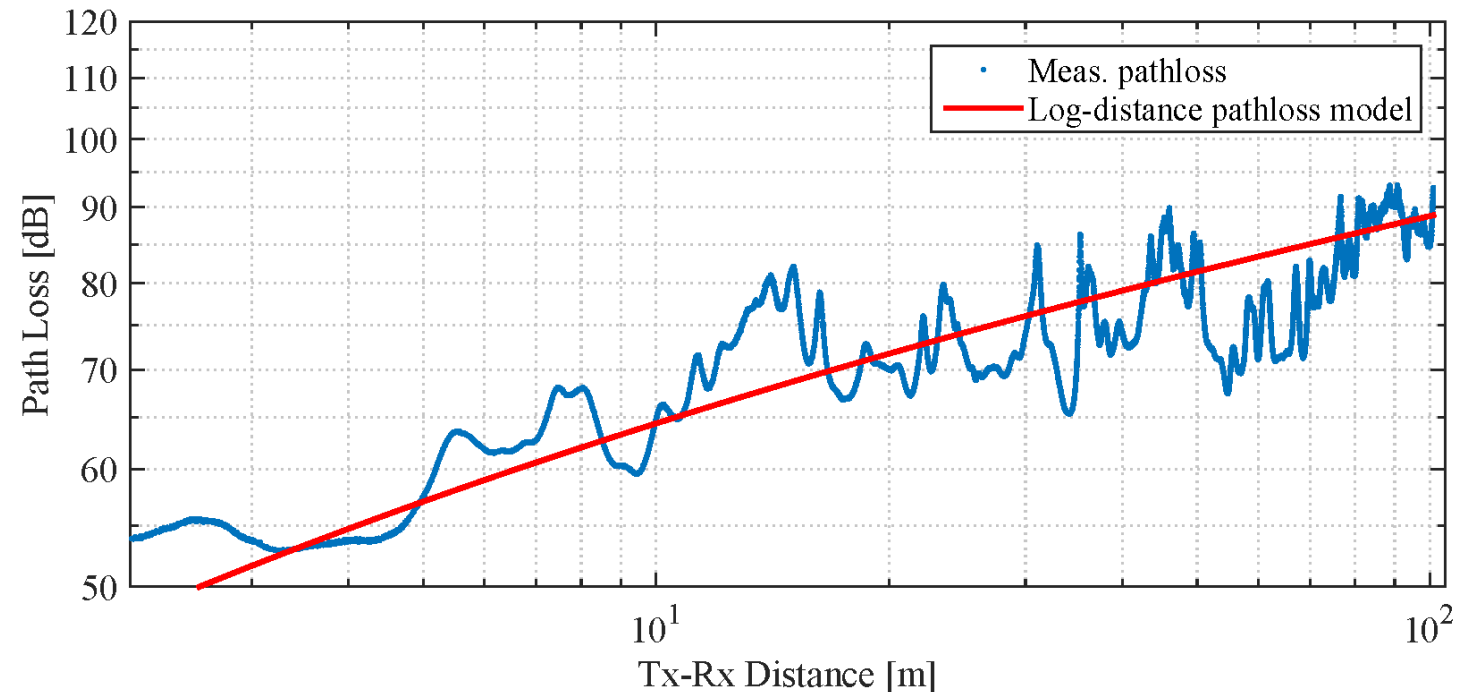
**Pedestrian antenna at low elevation and close to body → self-body shadowing**

## Log-distance path loss model

- Reference distance  $d_0 = 1$  m
- Loss at  $d_0$   $P_L(d_0) = 40$  dB
- Path loss exponent  $n = 2.44$

## Log-normal shadow fading

- Standard deviation  $\sigma = 5.47$  dB



# V2P Path Loss Models: NLOS, Crowd Shadowing

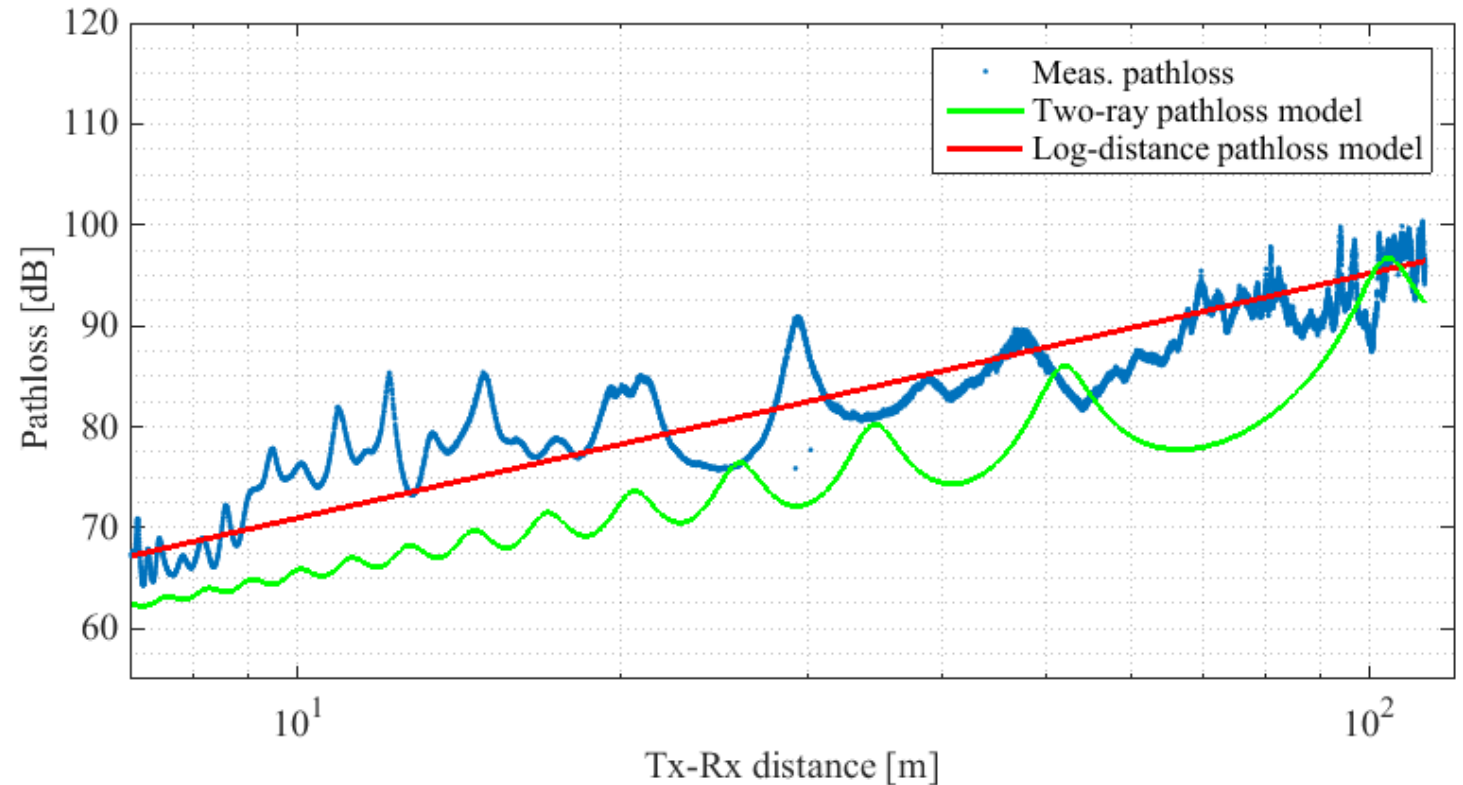
Nearby other pedestrians → 5-10 dB additional path loss due to shadowing

## Log-distance path loss model

- Reference distance  $d_0 = 1$  m
- Loss at  $d_0$   $P_L(d_0) = 67$  dB
- Path loss exponent  $n = 1.26$

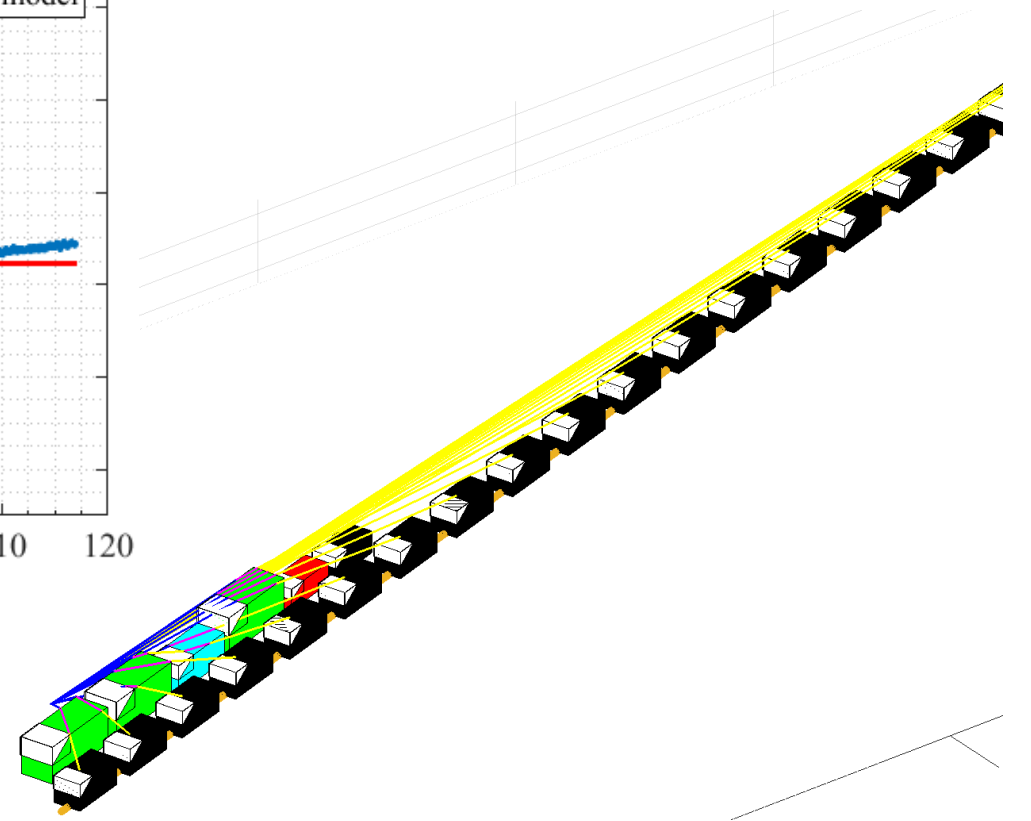
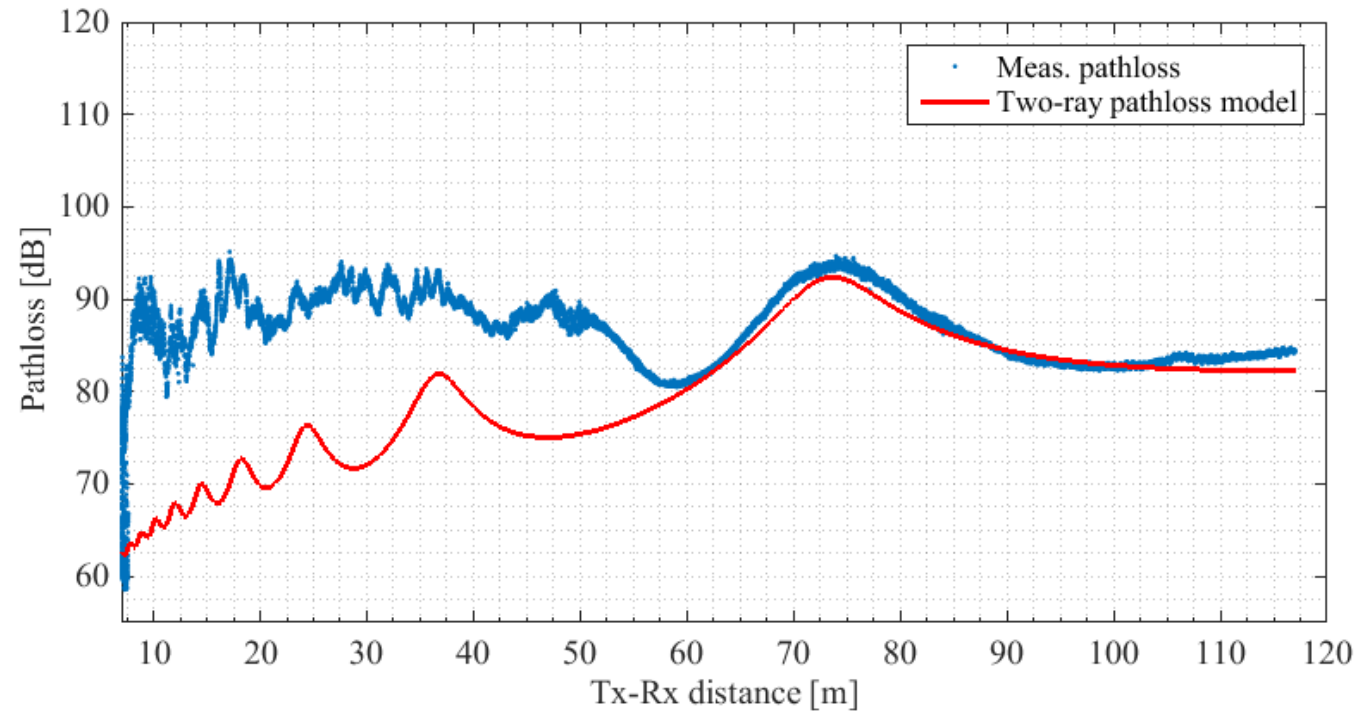
## Log-normal shadow fading

- Standard deviation  $\sigma = 3.35$  dB



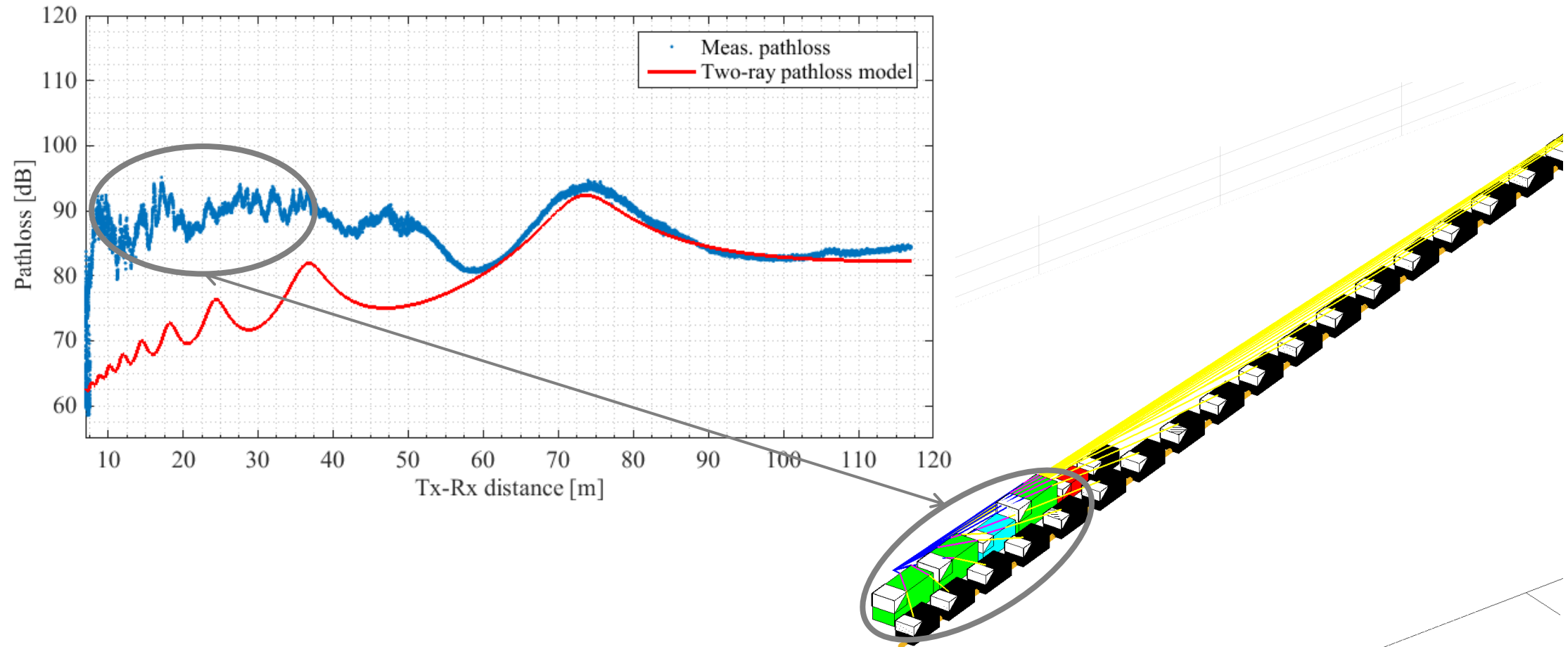
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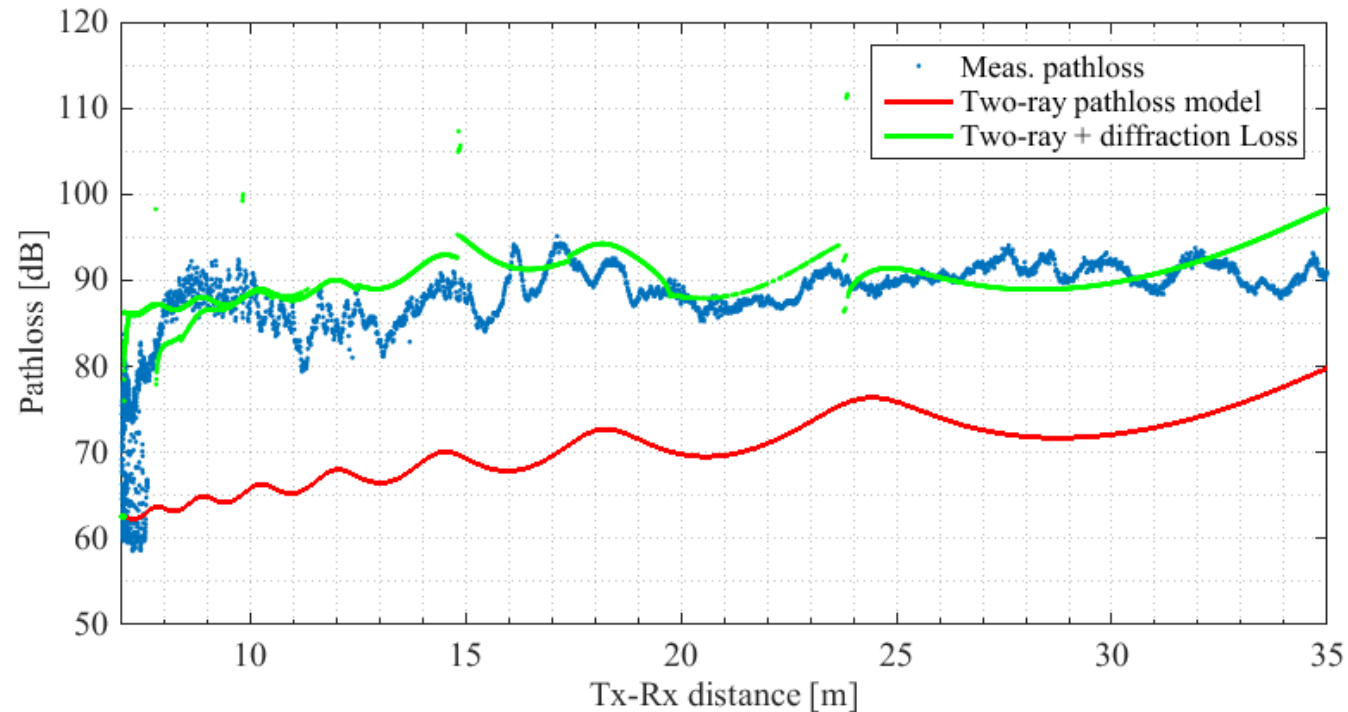
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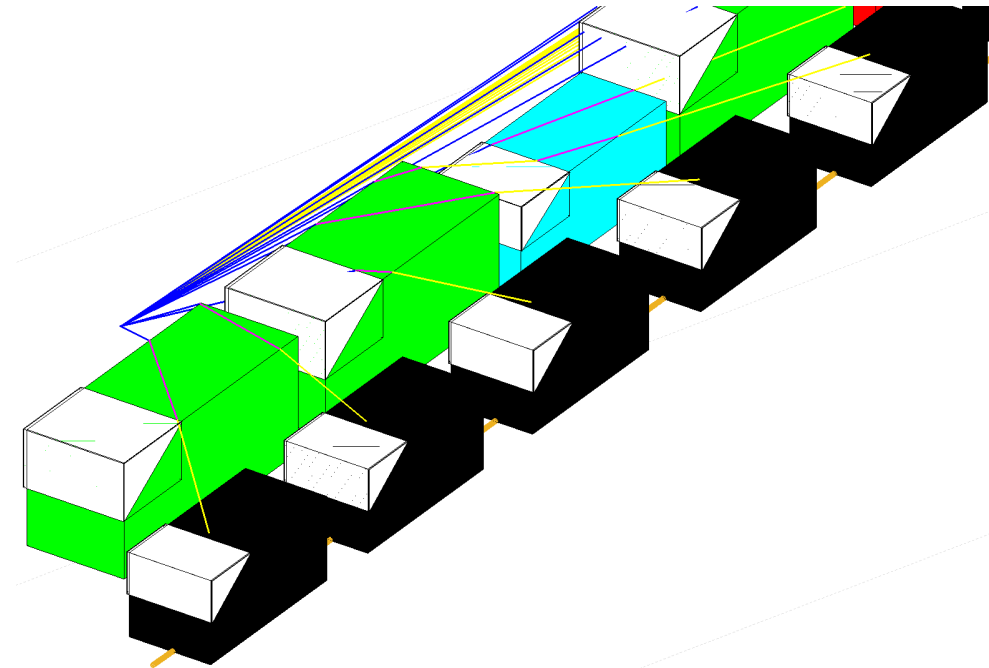


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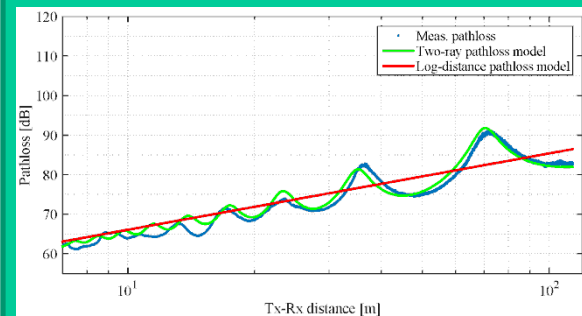
**Multiple knife-edge diffraction model +  
two-ray path loss model**



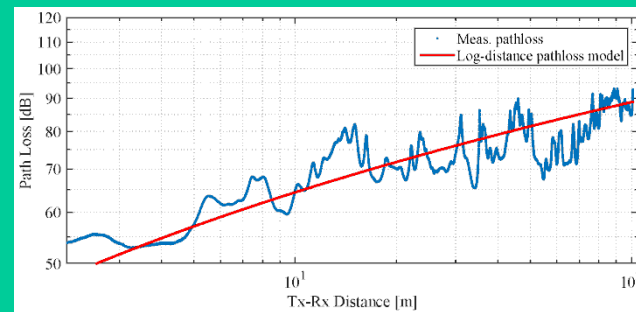
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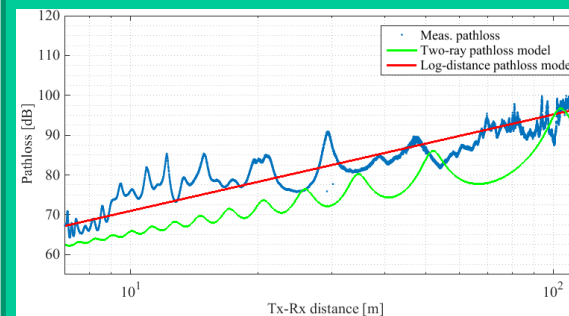
**LOS static pedestrian:**  
Two-ray pathloss model



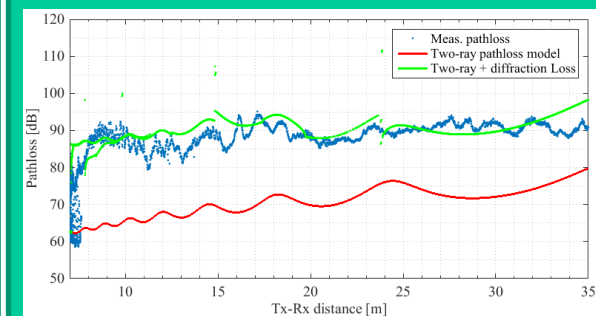
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Accurate V2P channel models

Design reliable V2P communications

Protect vulnerable road users



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