

# Design principles for High-Capacity Wireless Access Networks

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# Outline

- Requirements for future system, Do we need 5G ?
  - Some key trends
  - Transparency & mobile data tsunami
  - The internet of things and senses
- Design principles for scalable Infrastructure
  - Key trade-off:s Cost, Energy, Spectrum
  - The two worlds or are they three ?
- What about the internet of things ??





# Is it a bird? .. a plane?











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# Key trend Transparency eats efficiency for breakfast





# A lessons from History - Dominant designs



•From infrastructures driven by "killer apps" and "one-trick ponies"

- $\rightarrow$  general IP-based access infrastructures
- Internet access = dominant design for ALL services (fixed & mobile)
- Marginalizes other technical solutions e.g. Wireless P2P, Mesh, ...
- Story sounds familiar ...?

"IP is the answer - now, what was the question ?"

G Q Maguire





# The price tag for transparency – the Mobile Data avalanche



VoIP traffic forecasted to be 0.4% of all mobile data traffic in 2015. Source: Cisco VNI Mobile, 2011

Exponential growth (now slowing down somewhat) Assumes **zero marginal cost** for access How long can this be sustained ?

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# **Operator dilemma: More for less money**

- Spending capability of user increases with GNP growth (<10% annually)</li>
- Capacity requirements increase by 80-100% annually

$$C_{SYS} = c_{BS} N_{BS}$$

Challenge: 1000x lower cost/bit





# Key trend 2: Things that communicate & the Internet of Senses





## Things that communicate



# Internet of Things

- Billions of devices
- Low power
- Low cost
- High reliability
- Low delay

4G not a scalable solution SIM-cards in every device ?





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# Mission critical communication (Super real-time, super reliable...)



Source: The Economist, April 20th, 2013





# **Design principles**

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# Scalable Wireless Infrastructures





# Design principles for Scalable Wireless Infrastructures





# **Key Design Constraints**



$$C_{tot} = C_{spectrum} + C_{inf ra} + C_{energy}$$





## How to increase capacity ?

$$R_{tot} \approx \frac{\eta}{A} N_{BS} W_{sys}$$
  $C_{SYS} = c_{BS} N_{BS} + c_{sp} W_{sys}$ 

- Increase  $\eta$ , spectral efficiency (signal processing)
  - Close to theoretical limits
  - More power (in processing receiver limitation!)
- More base stations,  $N_{BS}$ 
  - Expensive
  - More power ?
- More spectrum,  $W_{SYS}$ 
  - Shortage ?





# **Energy consumption modelling**

Power consumption



Independent of #base stations





# **Energy consumption modelling (2)**

Spectrum-Infrastructure Cost-Power Trade-off (Shannon Bound)

$$P_{rx}(d) = \frac{c'GP_{tx}}{d^{\alpha}} \qquad P_{tx} = \left[2^{\frac{\overline{R}}{W}} - 1\right] \frac{N_0 W}{cG} R_{cell}^{\alpha}$$

Average spectral efficiency

$$S = \frac{\overline{R}}{W}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{c} = \left(N_{BS}\left[a\left\{\frac{N_{o}W}{cG}\left(2^{\frac{\overline{R}_{tot}}{N_{BS}W}}-1\right)\left(\frac{A}{\pi N_{BS}}\right)^{\alpha/2}\right\}+b_{radio}+b_{backhaul}+y\frac{\overline{R}_{tot}}{N_{BS}}\right]+d\right)/A$$

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What cell size to use ?





Spetrum





# **Power – Infrastructure tradeoff**



Minimum total cost now occurs at a much lower number of base stations than in the energy-only minimization.

Spectrum cost constant – provides only a level shift of the total cost;



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# The Light Analogy I

Why are parts of Sweden dark at night?

- Technical limitations?
- User demand ?
- Economical limitations ?

Image and data processing by NOAA's National Geophysical Data Center. Defense Meteorological Satellite Pi collected by the US Air Force Weather Agency.



# The Light Analogy II : HET NETs



Outdoor - Wide Area

• Indoor – Short Range







#### How to lower the cost:

# "HET NET"s – deploy according to demand







# **A World Divided**

#### The coverage world



#### **Public operators**

- Access any-time, anywhere
- "Insurance" guaranteed access at moderate datarates (1-2 Mbit/s)
- Monthly fee
- Power/Site/Backhaul
- Exclusive spectrum licensing spectrum sharing

#### The capacity world

#### **Facility owners**

- Local access "off-loading"
- Sanitary requirement / no charge
- User experiences high data rates
- Ultra dense deployment Interference
- (Low power, no site cost, existing backhaul)
- Post-code licensing infrastructure sharing







# Is there enough capacity ?

	Intersite	Spectrum	No BS	Cap/Site	Area cap
Macro	300 m	500 MHz	10 /km <sup>2</sup>	1Gb/s	10 Gb/s/km <sup>2</sup> (outdoor)
WiFi - today	30m	500 MHz	1000/km <sup>2</sup>	1 Gb/s	1 Tb/s/km <sup>2</sup>
WiFi -ideal	1/room	2 GHz	50K/km <sup>2</sup>	4 Gb/s	200 Tb/s/km <sup>2</sup>

Simple area-based calculation – outdoor/indoor wall penetration not included

Spectrum: There is potentially lots of spectrum < 20 GHz for indoor short range use (on secondary basis)





# Can the Things use the same infrastrucure ?





# **Very diverse requirements**





Requirement	Human centric	Machine Type
Capacity	Very Large	Small
Number of devices	Moderate	Very large
Wide area coverage	Important	(Sometimes) Important
Reliability	Moderate	(Sometimes) High
Cost	Moderate	(Sometimes) Very low
Power consumption	Moderate	Sometimes) Very low
Delay	Moderate	Sometimes) Very low







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# **Everything under one roof ?** Transparancy vs Efficiency





#### The IP-access world

- Large volumes of standardized equipment, unified platforms
- Low efficiency, overprovisioning of resources
- Willingness to pay for flexibility

#### The MTC world

- Large volumes
- Very diverse requirement on power, delay, cost...
- Non-standardized equipment, no unified platforms
- Rational decisions based on savings





# Who will provide infrastructure and services ?





## **Mobility Foresigth**





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#### Alternative (Technical) Mapping of MobFor scenarios



Single infrastructure = traditional operator model ?





# In Summary





# 5G is

- Not techically needed to contain the "Data Tsunami" (can be managed by evolved 4G+WiFi)
- Addressing new challenges in large scale, widearea infrastructure for M2M applications
- Not only about connectivity but a computational platform to manage generic resources like processing and storage
- Important to the incumbent industry to show renewal and claim (exclusive) spectrum to sustain current business modell

