

3GPP Long Term Evolution eUTRAN

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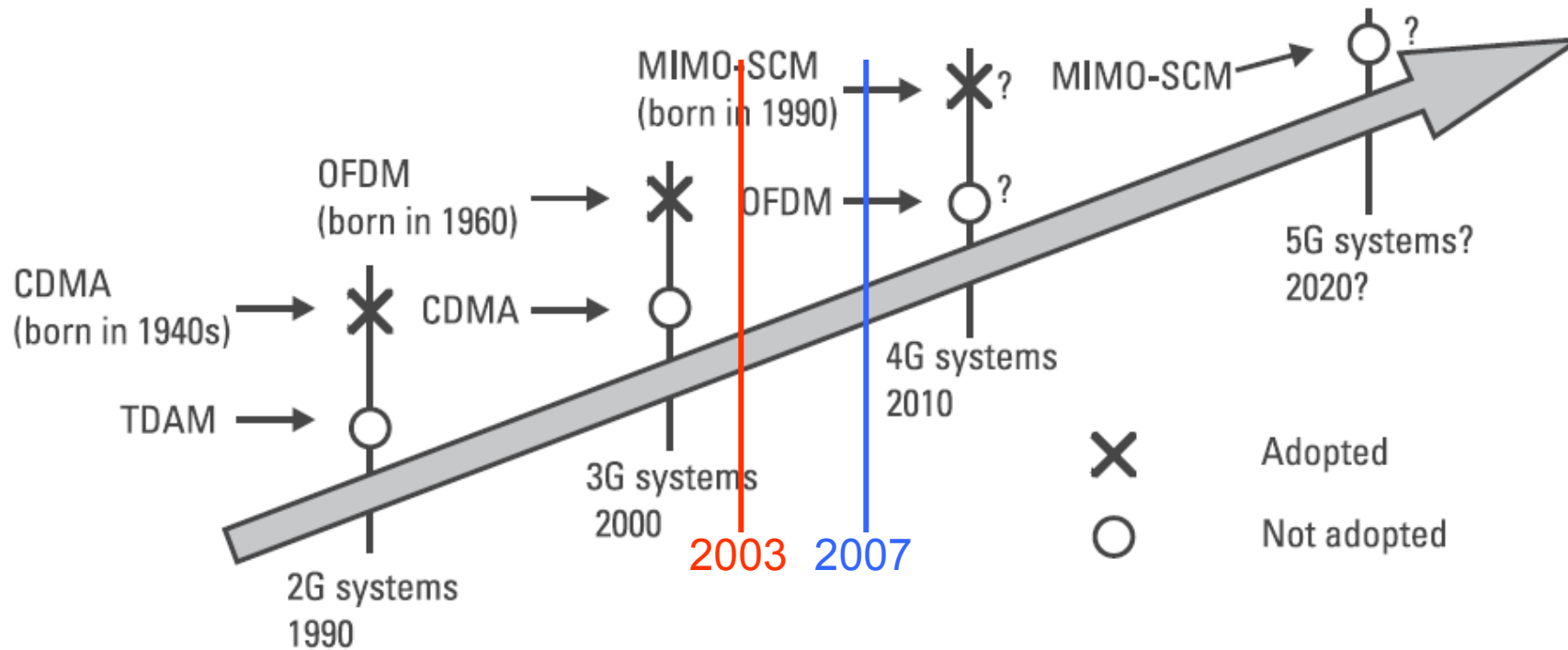
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Agenda

- OFDM vs. CDMA
- LTE candidates
- Details of LTE design
- SAE/EPC
- LTE-Advanced

CDMA vs. OFDM



CDMA: code divisions multiple access
 TDMA: time divisions multiple access
 OFDM: orthogonal frequency division multiplexing
 MIMO-SCM: multiple input multiple output-single carrier modulation



3GPP Feasibility Study

“The studies carried out within the study item indicates that the basic OFDM scheme offers the possibility for improved performance, compared to HSDPA release 5 with a Rake receiver, for channels with significant time dispersion. This performance advantage decreases for channels with less time dispersion. However, by the introduction of more advanced receiver structure, there is **no significant performance** difference between **HSDPA** release 5 and the performance of the **OFDM**.”

Texas Instruments

“With larger channel bandwidths, **OFDM** offers **advantage** over **CDMA** because of simplified receiver processing: 10 MHz, 20 MHz.”

Not so fast...

- OFDMA
- MC-CDMA
- SC modulation (spread / not spread)

OFDM/OFDMA

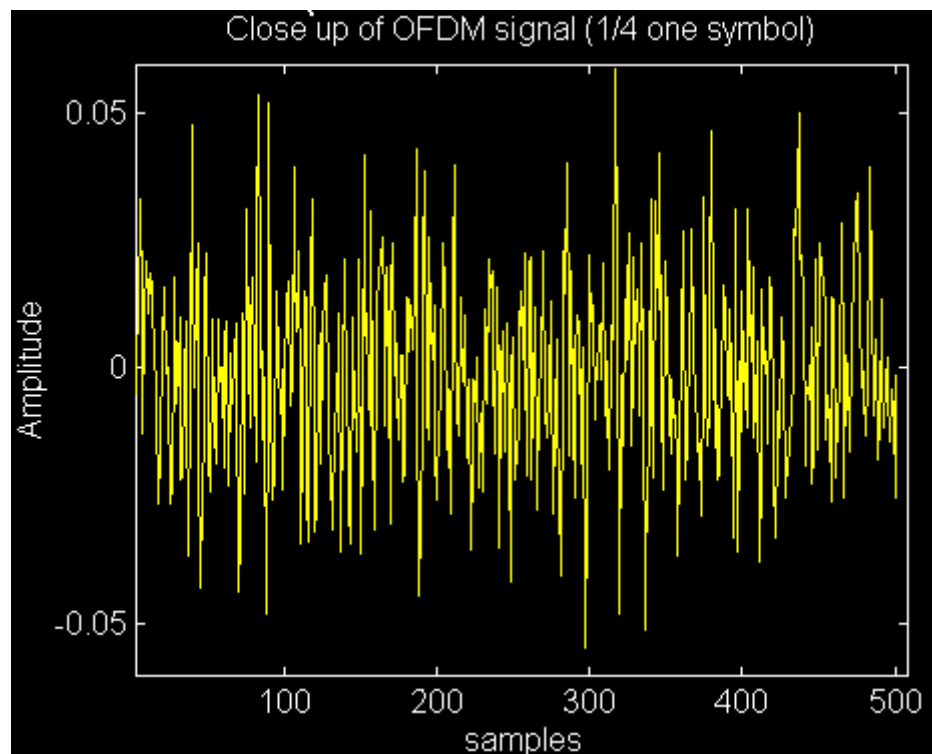
PROS

- Resistance in frequency selective channels
- ISI & ICI reduction
- Simple equalization
- Less sensitive to timing offsets
- Resistance to NB interference
- Spectrum efficiency
- Spectrum flexibility

CONS

- Sensitive to frequency offsets & phase noise
- Large PAPR

OFDM signal – time view



Peak power = N * average power (for N subcarriers)

MC-CDMA

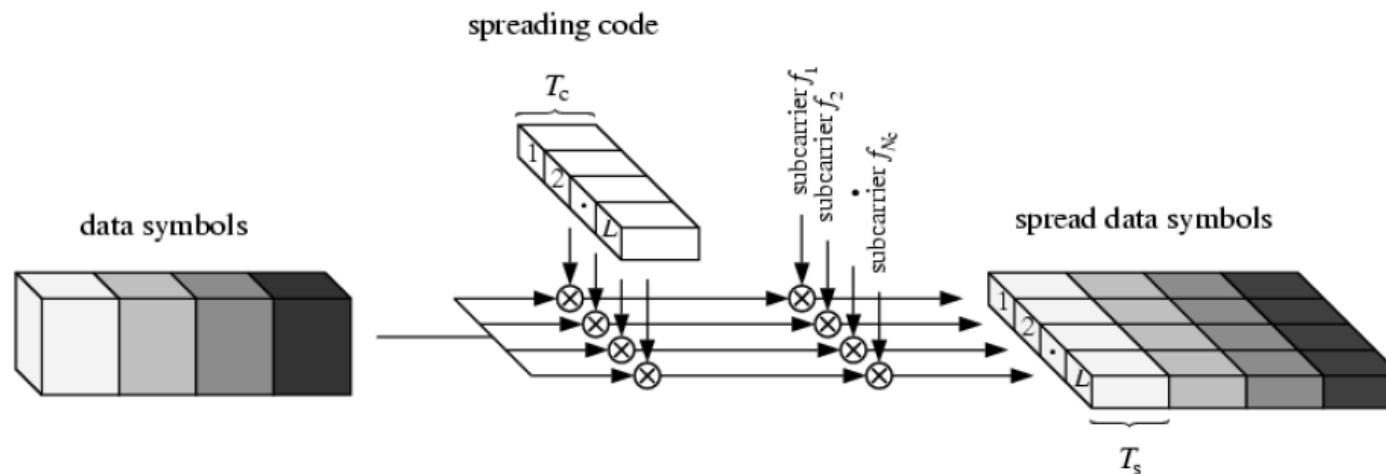
PROS

- Similar to OFDM
 - Multipath resistance
 - Flexible
 - Simple timing synchronization
 - Frequency diversity
- PAPR can be reduced by code allocation

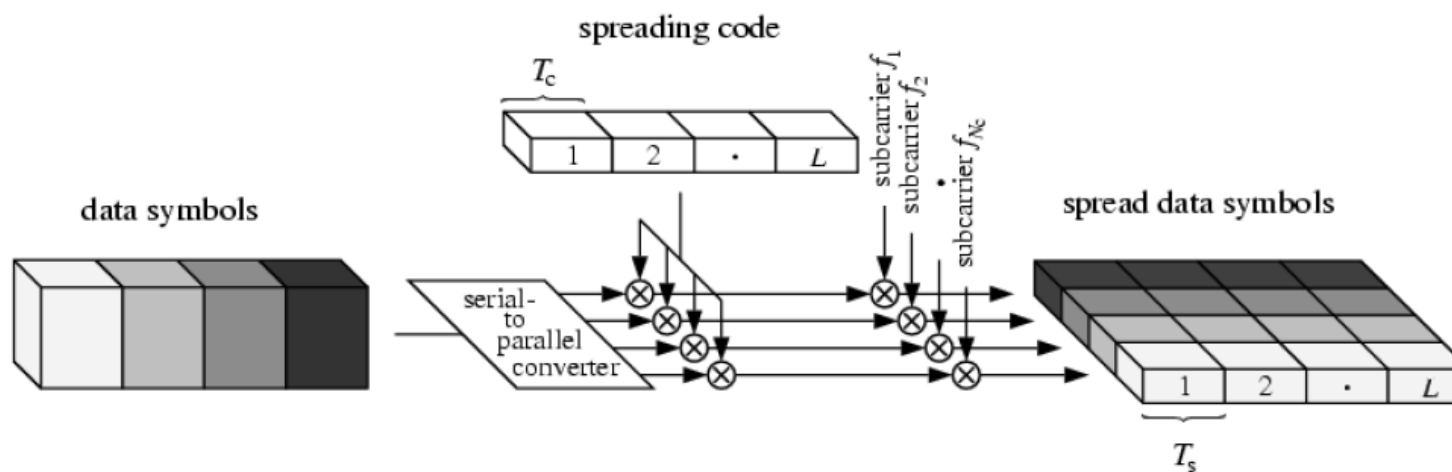
CONS

- Sensitive to frequency offsets & phase noise
- PAPR > Single carrier modulation

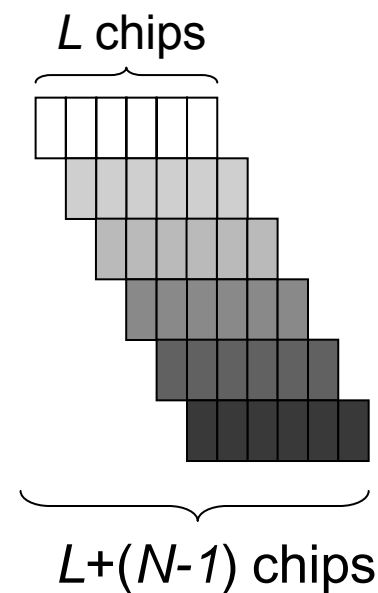
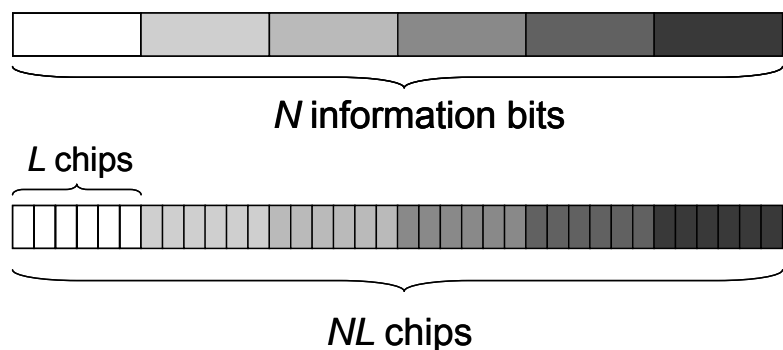
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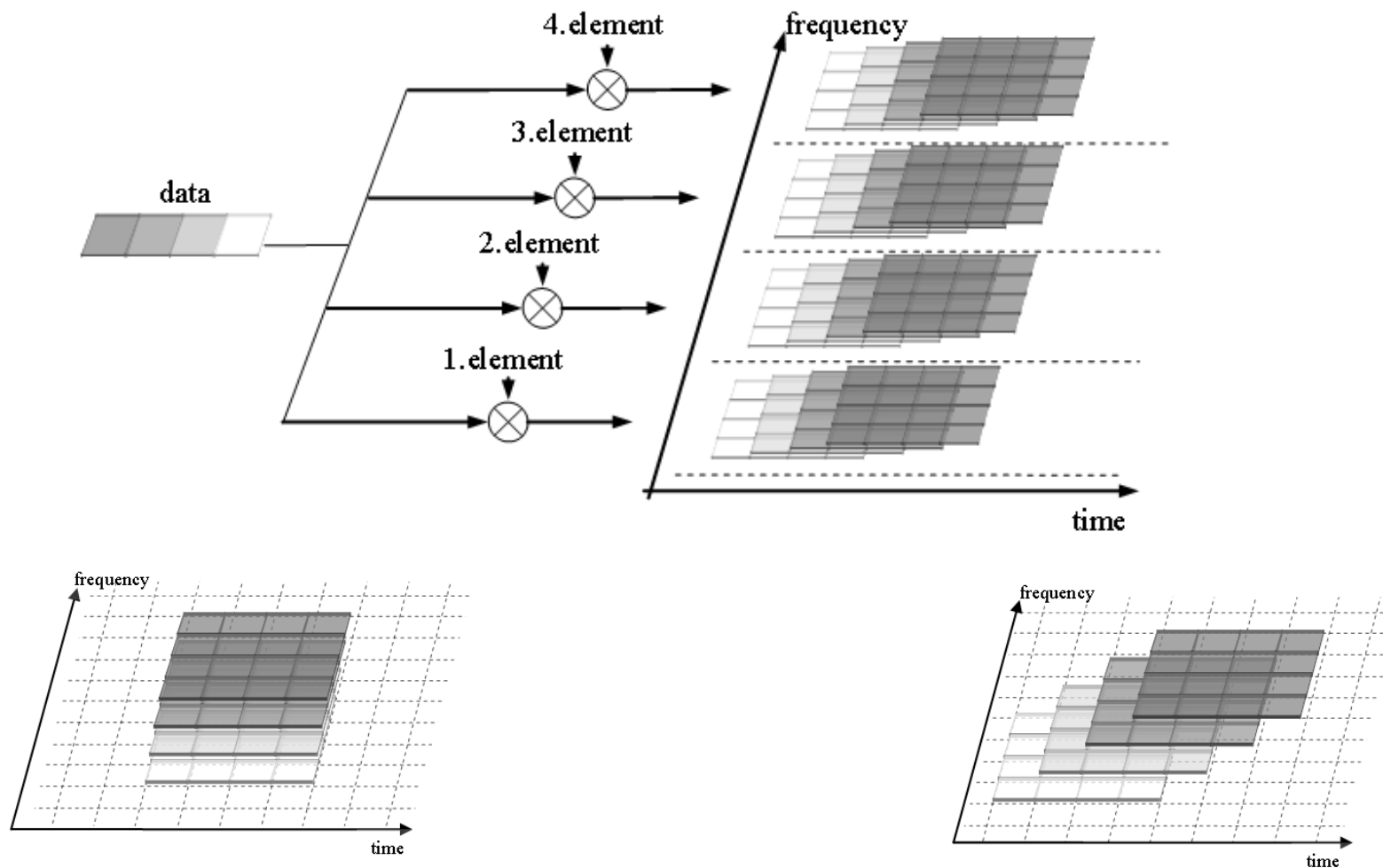
MC-DS-CDMA



Complementary code CDMA

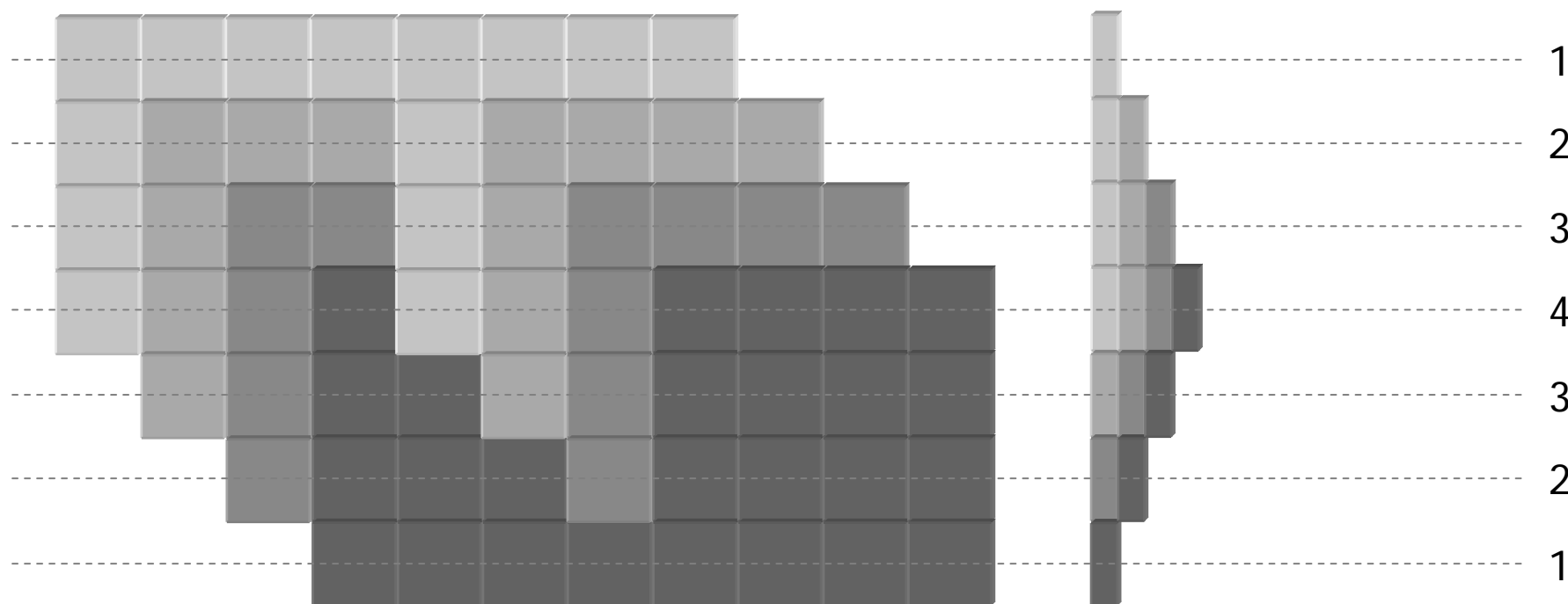


2D Complementary codes



Transmission strategies

↓ diagonal – 1 user



Single carrier modulation

Spread (SC-DS-CDMA)

- Pros
 - Low PAPR
 - Multipath fading resistance
 - NB, WB interference rejection

- Cons
 - Advanced receivers
 - MAI if not synchronized

TDMA / DFT-spread OFDMA

- Pros
 - Spectrum flexibility
 - Low PAPR
 - Intra cell orthogonality in time & frequency

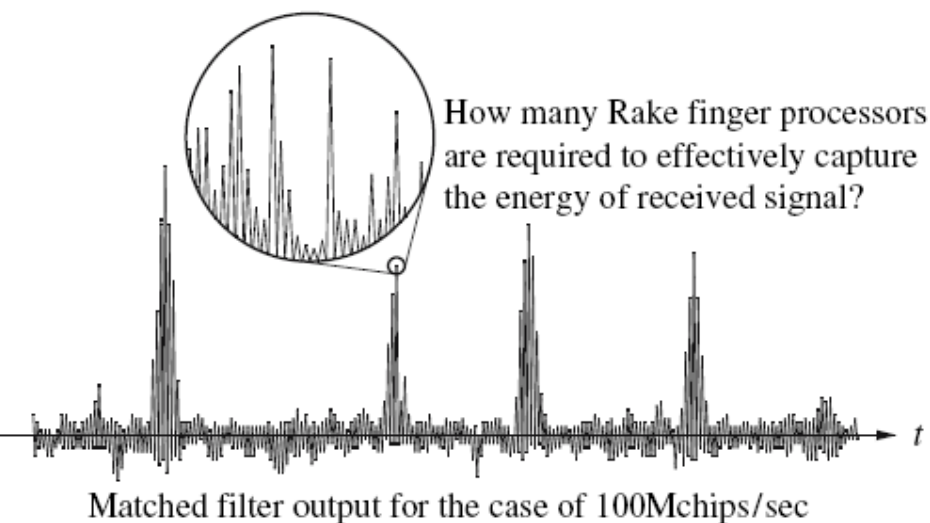
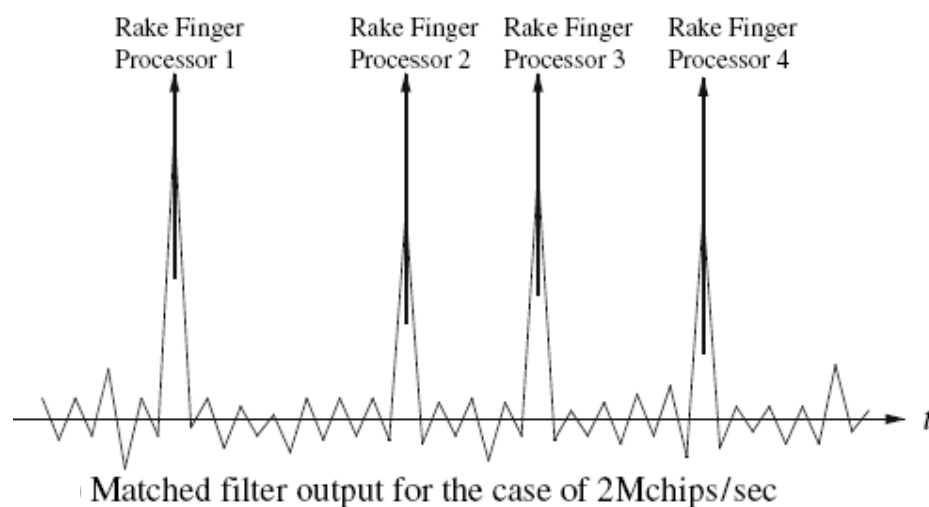
- Cons
 - Advanced receivers
 - Tight frequency synchronization

Why not CDMA?

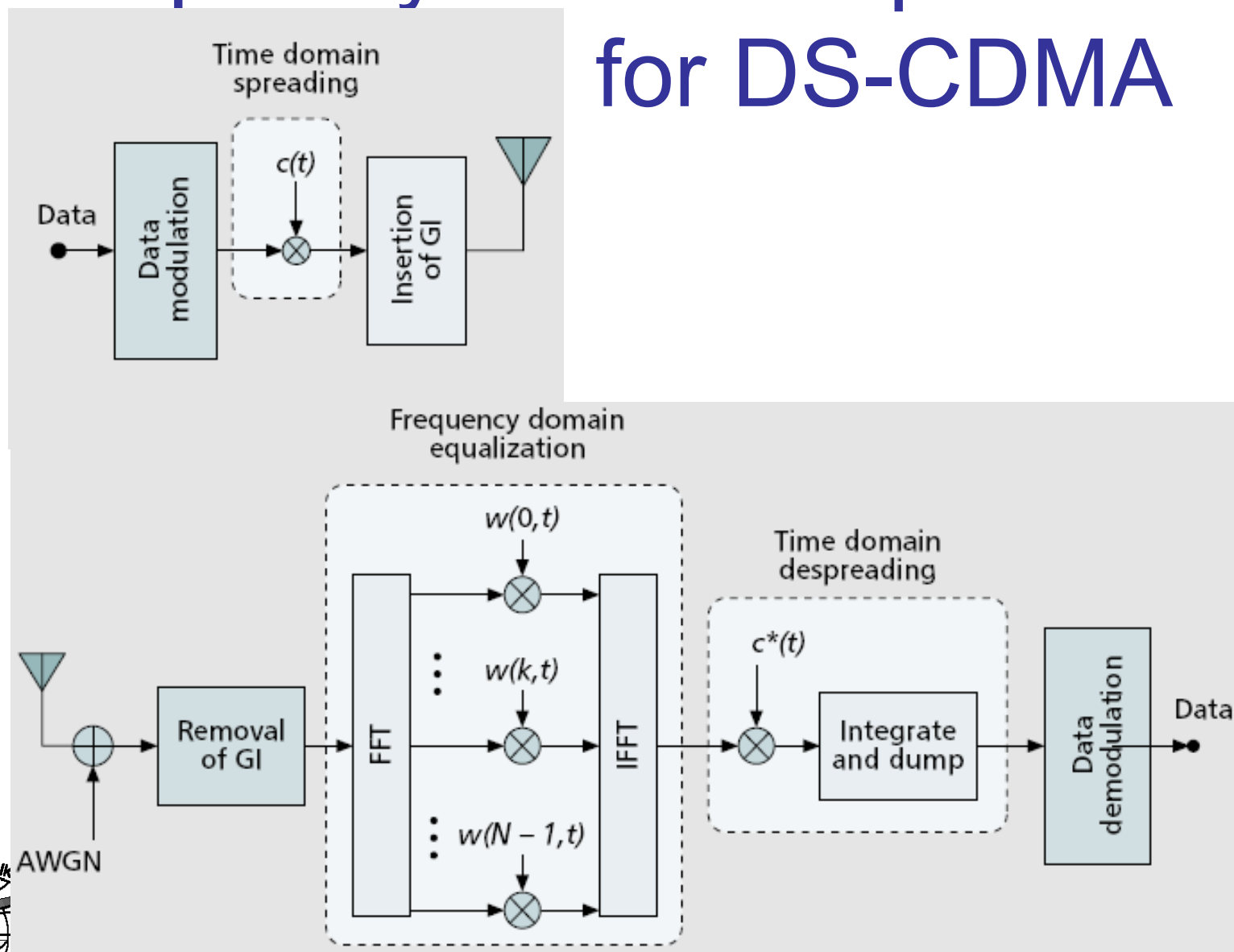
$$R_x \text{ paths} = \frac{T_{\text{delay spread}}}{T_{\text{chip}}} + 1$$

@ 1,8 GHz $T_{\text{delay spread}} = 8 \mu\text{sec}$

- Time domain equalization
 - not feasible for chip rates $> \sim \text{Mcps}$



Frequency domain equalization for DS-CDMA



OFDM vs. CDMA

- always look for fair comparison
- take into account application & environment

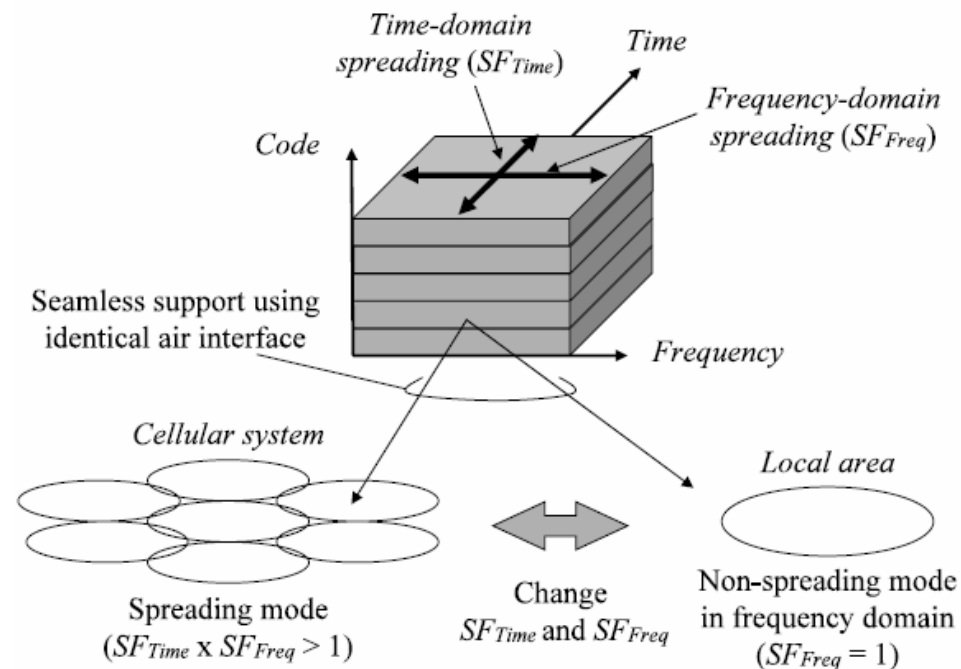


- for 20 MHz channel, mobile usage, @ GHz carrier, multiple users & current technology capabilities
 - OFDM offers better (smaller) granularity
 - more efficient scheduling & resource utilization
 - OFDM gives better flexibility
 - scalable bandwidth
 - OFDM is better suited for MIMO
 - flat fading due to low rate parallel sub-channels

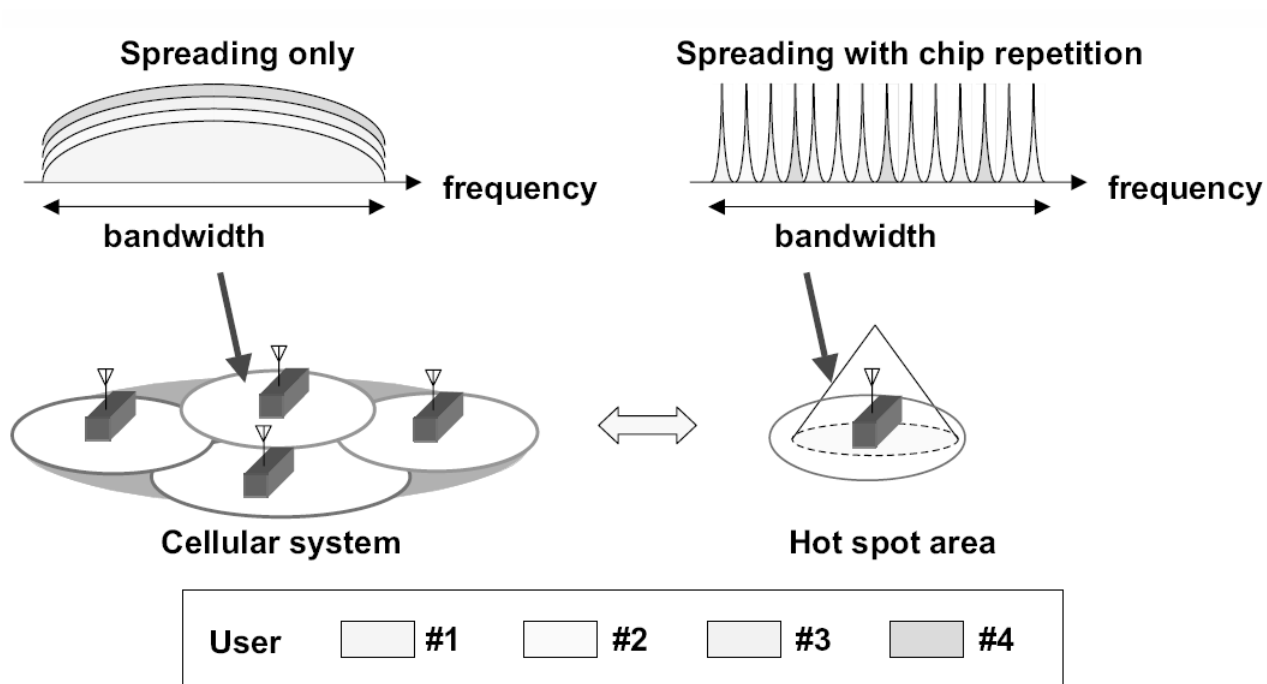
Way forward?

- NTT DoCoMo
- DL = VSF-OFCDM with 2D spreading
- UL = VSCRF-CDMA
- 64 QAM
- 12x12 MIMO

= 5 Gbps in 100 MHz (2007)



VSCRF-CDMA



LTE



3GPP candidates

- **Downlink**

- OFDMA [FDD/TDD]
- MC-WCDMA [FDD]
- MC-TD-SCDMA [TDD]

$$960kchip/s = \frac{3,84Mchip/s}{5MHz} \cdot 1,25MHz$$

- **Uplink**

- SC-FDMA [FDD/TDD]
- OFDMA [FDD/TDD]
- MC-WCDMA [FDD]
- MC-TD-SCDMA [TDD]

Why LTE?

- 3 competing standards

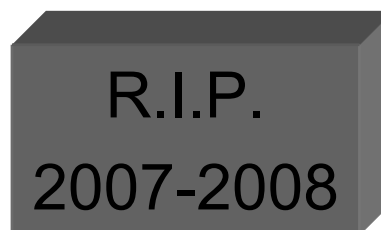
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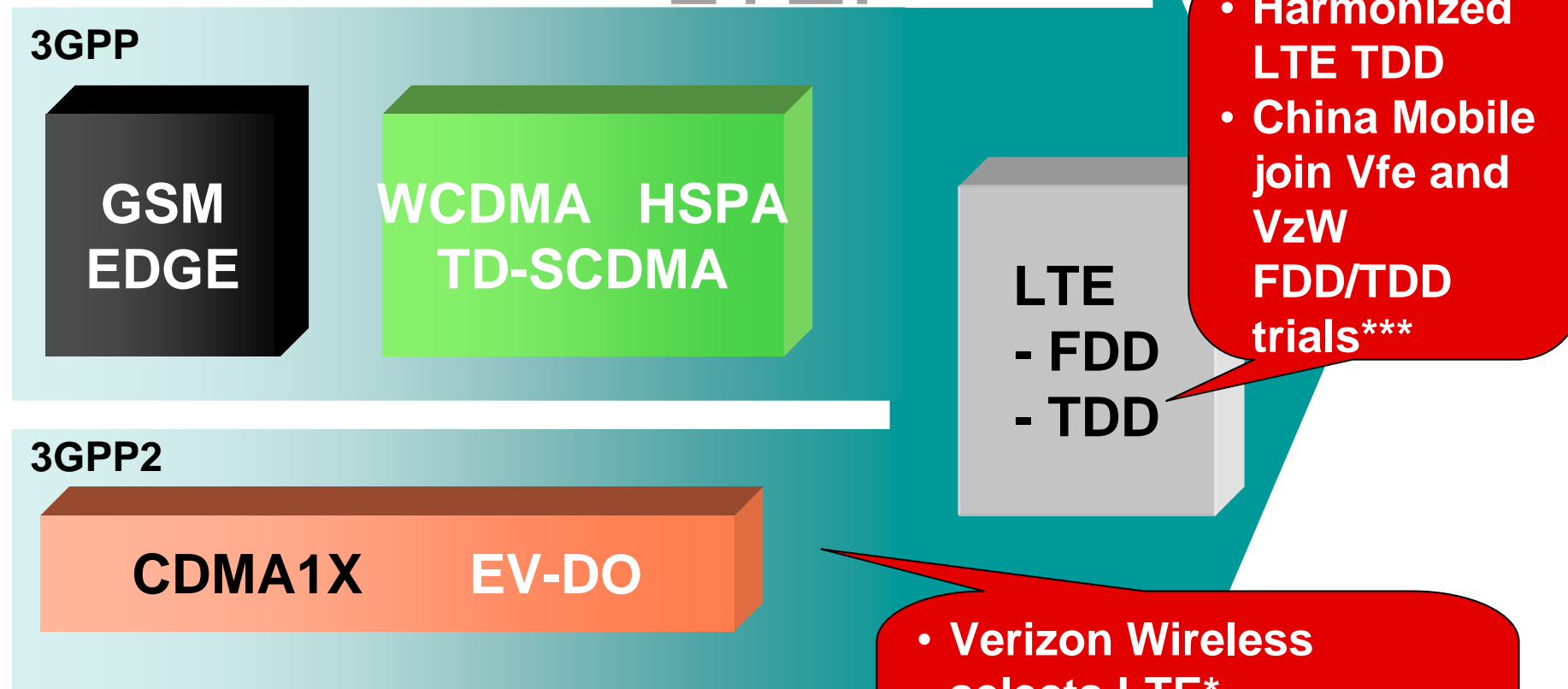
UMB



WiMAX



Market situation – that's why LTE!



Official press releases

* [November 29, 2007](#)

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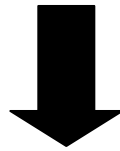
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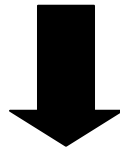
Concepts

Concepts - Terminology

- LTE = Long Term Evolution (of UTRAN)
 - SAE = System Architecture Evolution (of Core)
- } studies



LTE resulted in E-UTRAN (Evolved UTRAN)
 SAE resulted in EPC (Evolved Packet Core)

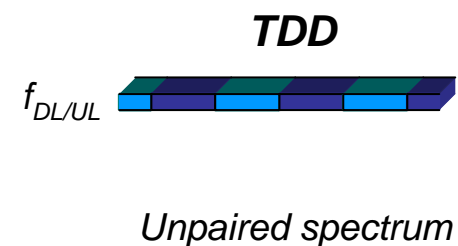
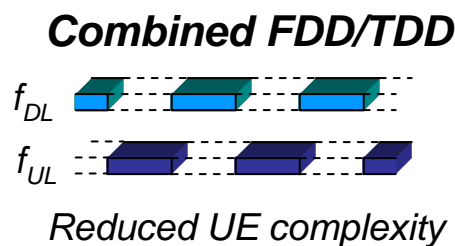
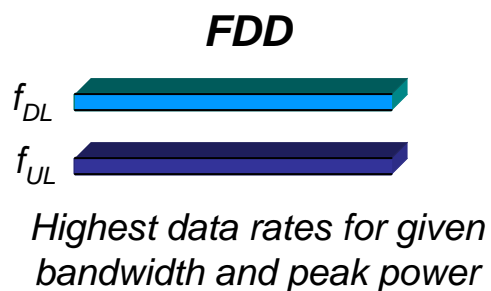
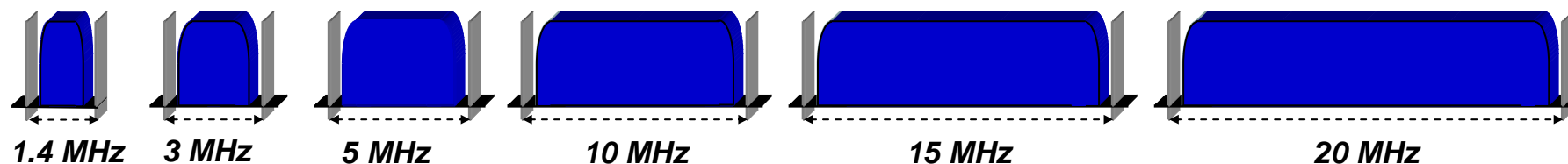


E-UTRAN + EPC = EPS (Evolved Packet System)

3GPP LTE – *Requirements/targets*

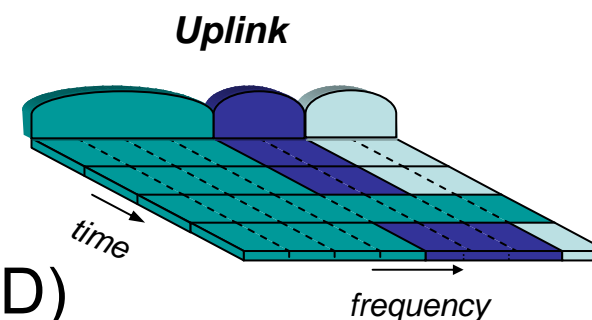
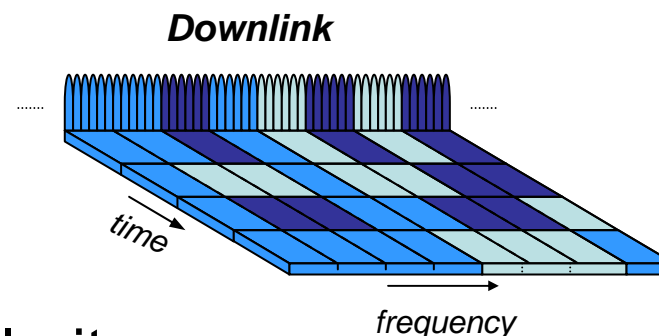
- **Focus on PS-domain services**
- **High data rates**
 - *Peak data rates:* Beyond 100 Mbps (DL) / Beyond 50 Mbps (UL)
 - *Average user throughput:* 3-4 times HSPA Release 6
 - *Cell-edge user throughput:* 2-3 times HSPA Release 6
- **Low latency**
 - *User plane:* Less than 10 ms (RAN RTT)
 - *Control plane:* Less than 50 ms (dormant → active)
- **High spectral efficiency**
 - 3-4 times HSPA Release 6
 - Improved performance for broadcast services
- **Spectrum flexibility**
 - Deployable in a wide-range of different spectrum allocations of different sizes
 - Unpaired and paired spectrum

Spectrum / duplex flexibility

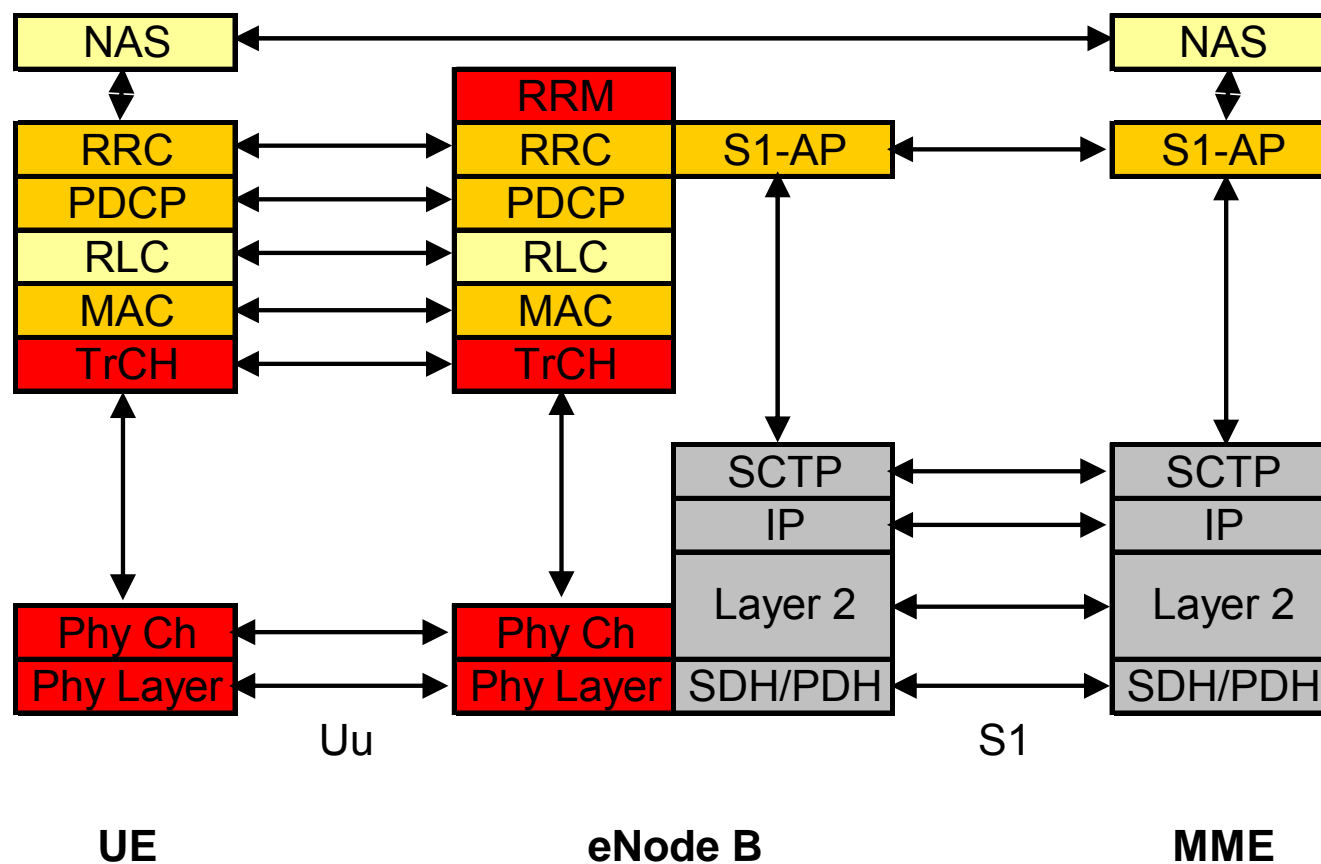


Key principles

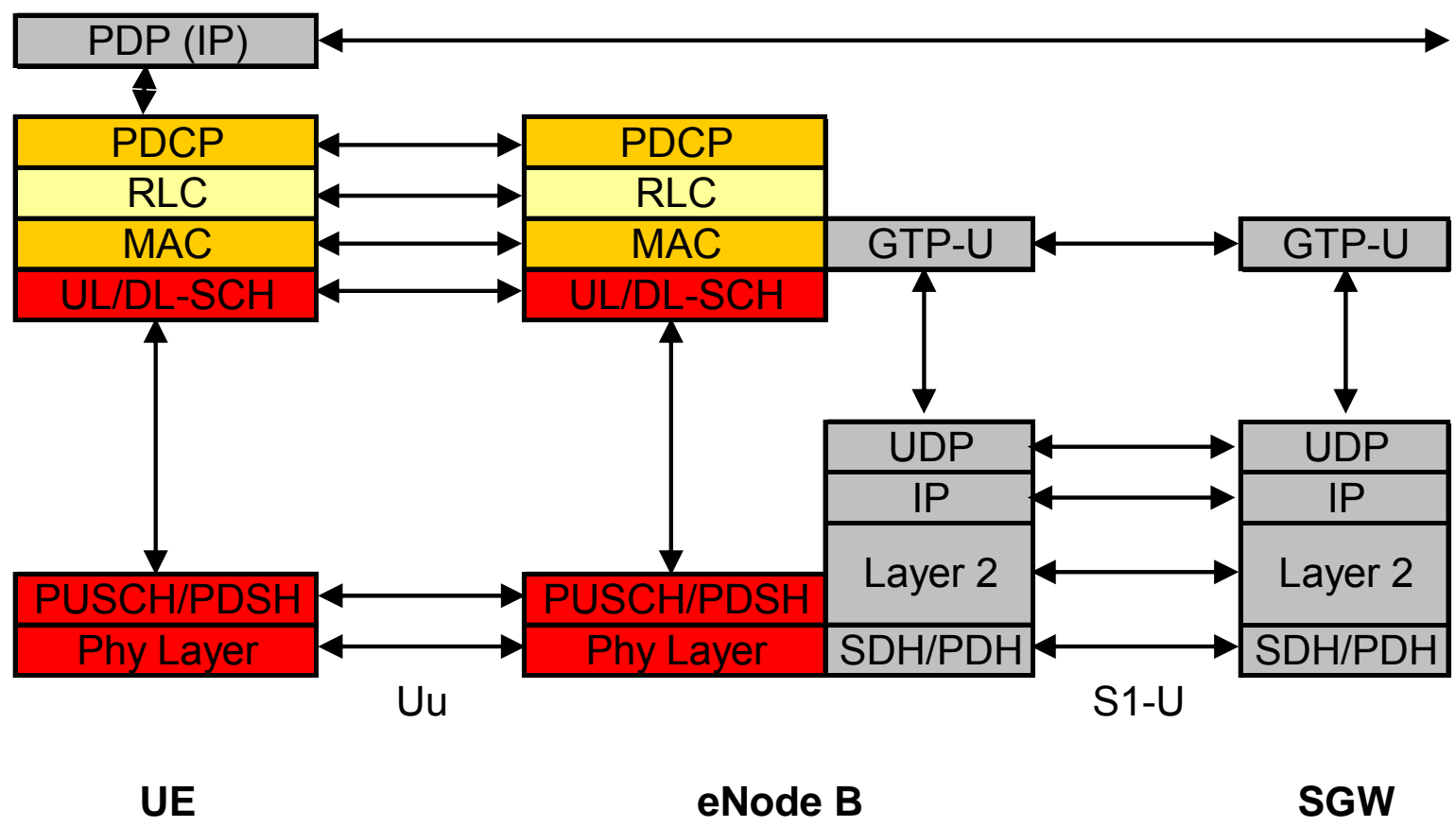
- OFDM on physical layer
- 1 ms / 180 kHz scheduling granularity
- Advanced Antenna System (MIMO, beamforming, ...)
- 1 Node RAN architecture
- 1 phase access (UE → eNB → CN)
- 2 RRC states only (IDLE, CONNECTED)
- Signaling / user data split in CN (MME, SGW)



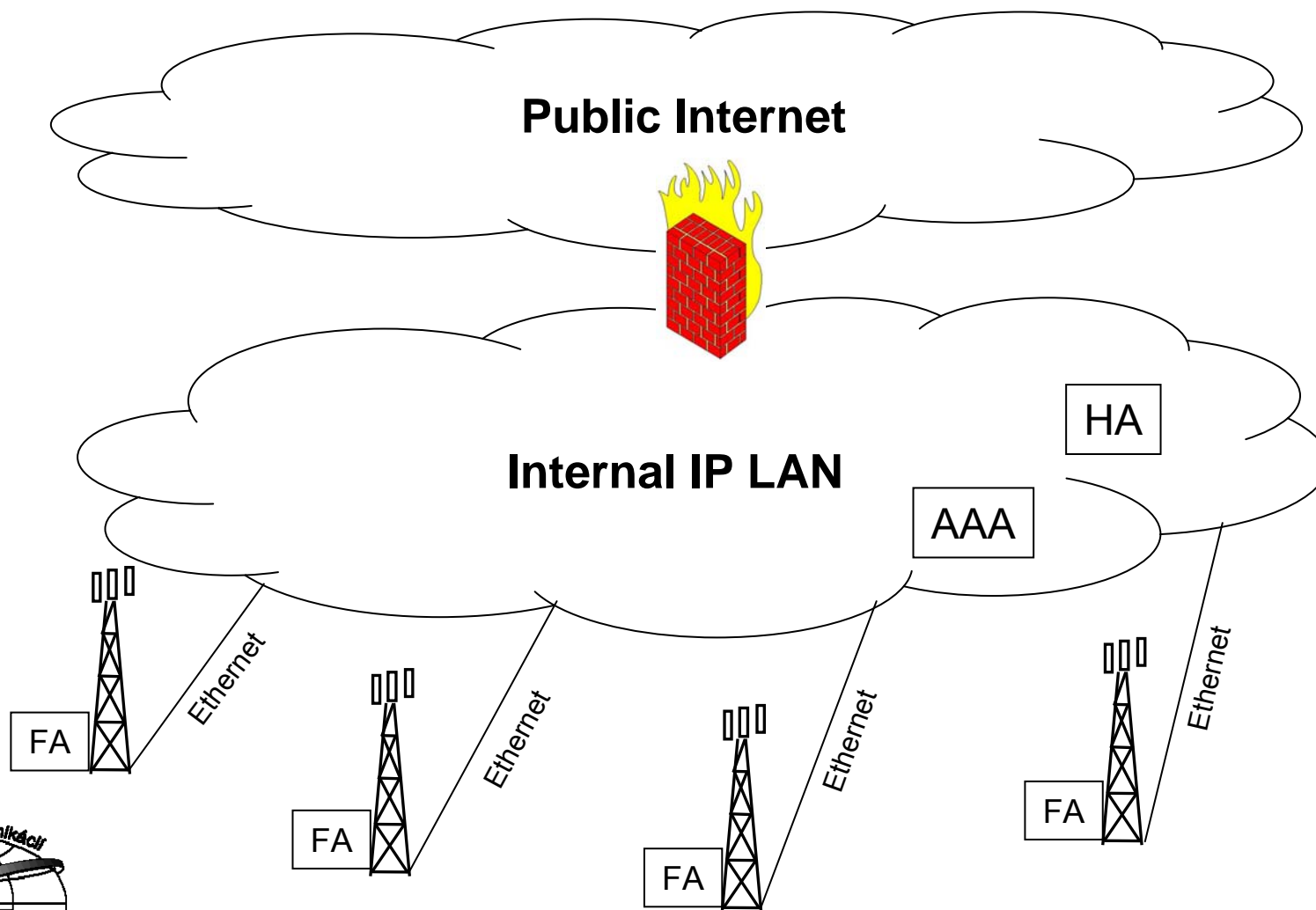
Protocol model – control plane



Protocol model – user plane

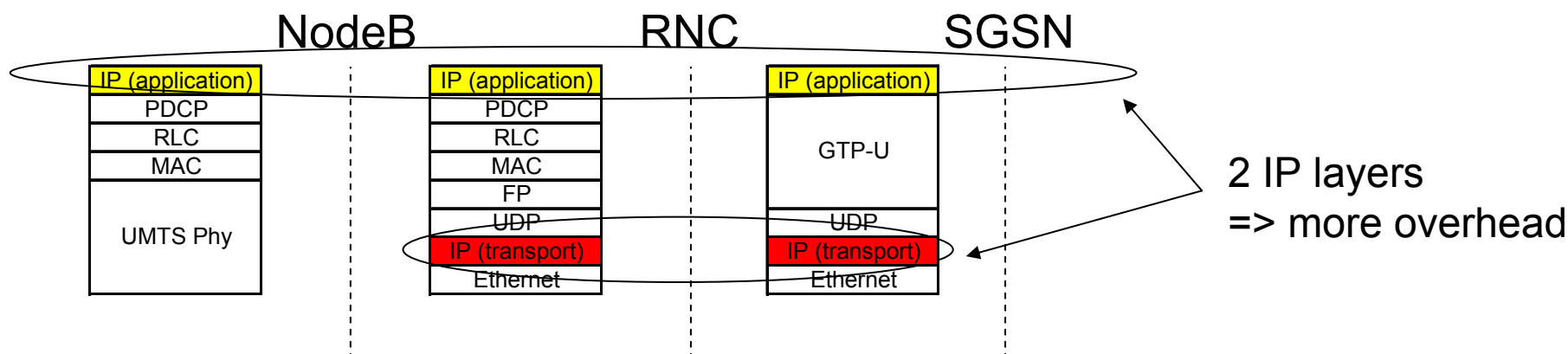


Flat all IP architecture

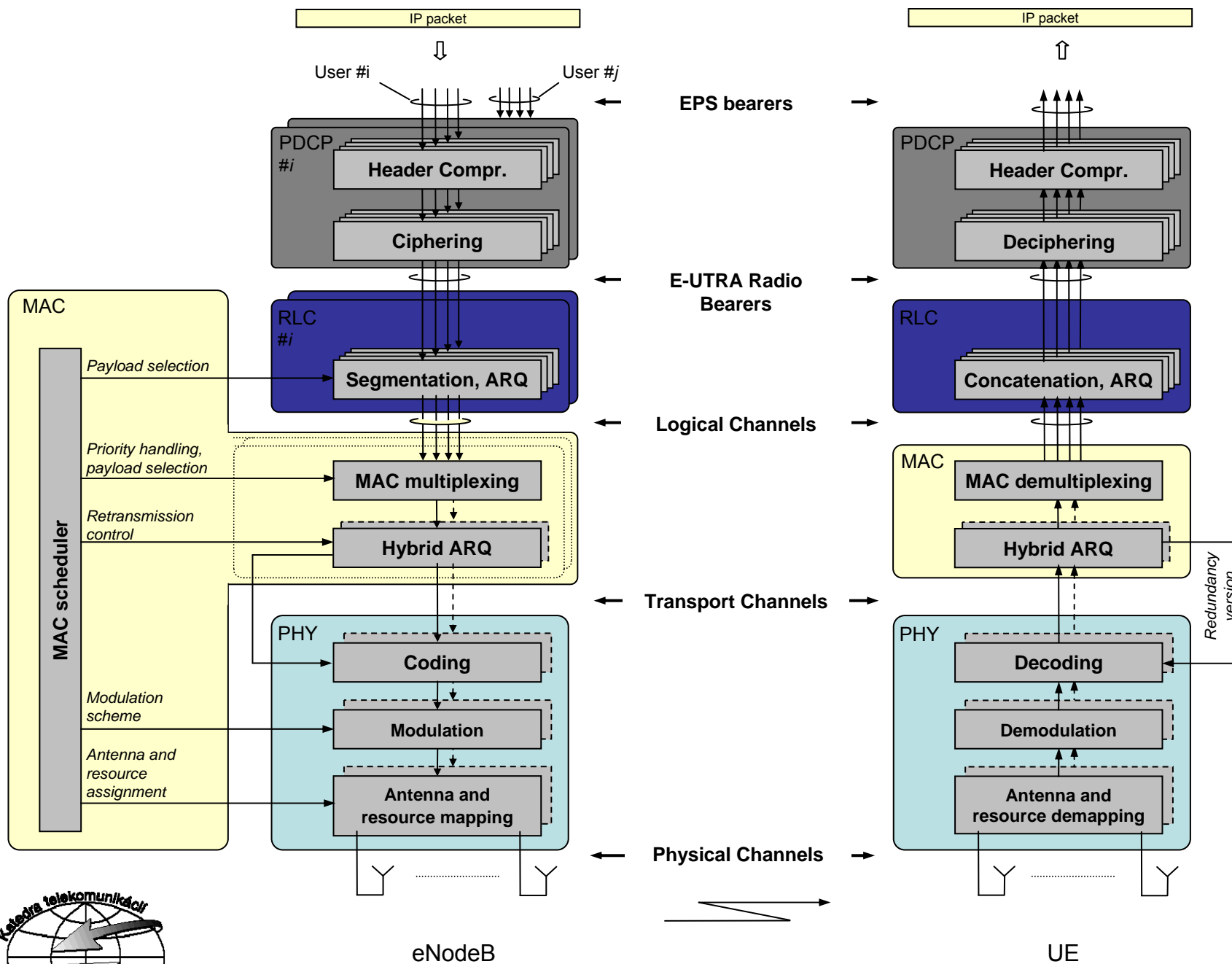


All IP – a comparison

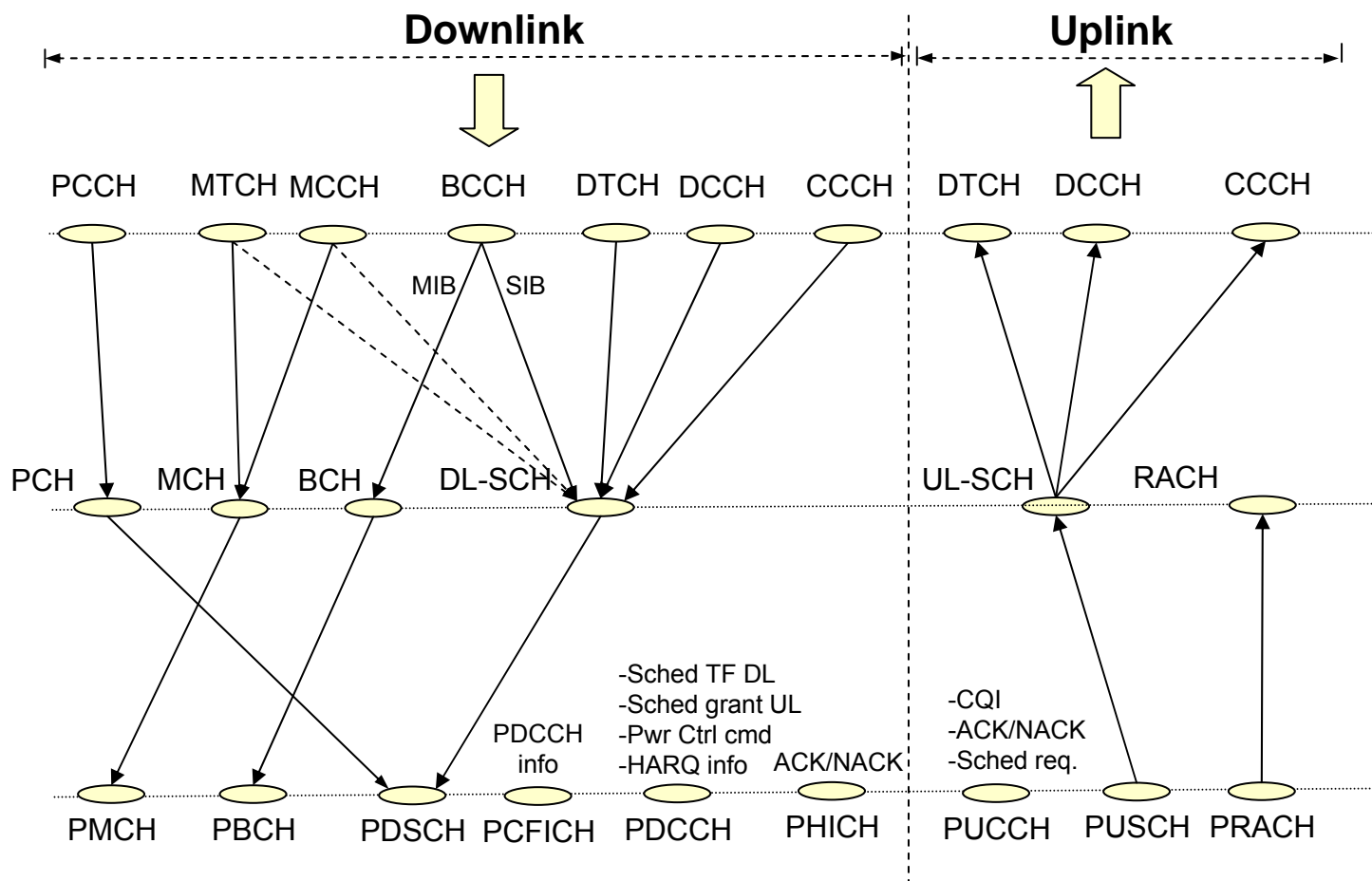
- UMTS all IP vs. F-OFDM all IP



Channel Structure



Channel mapping



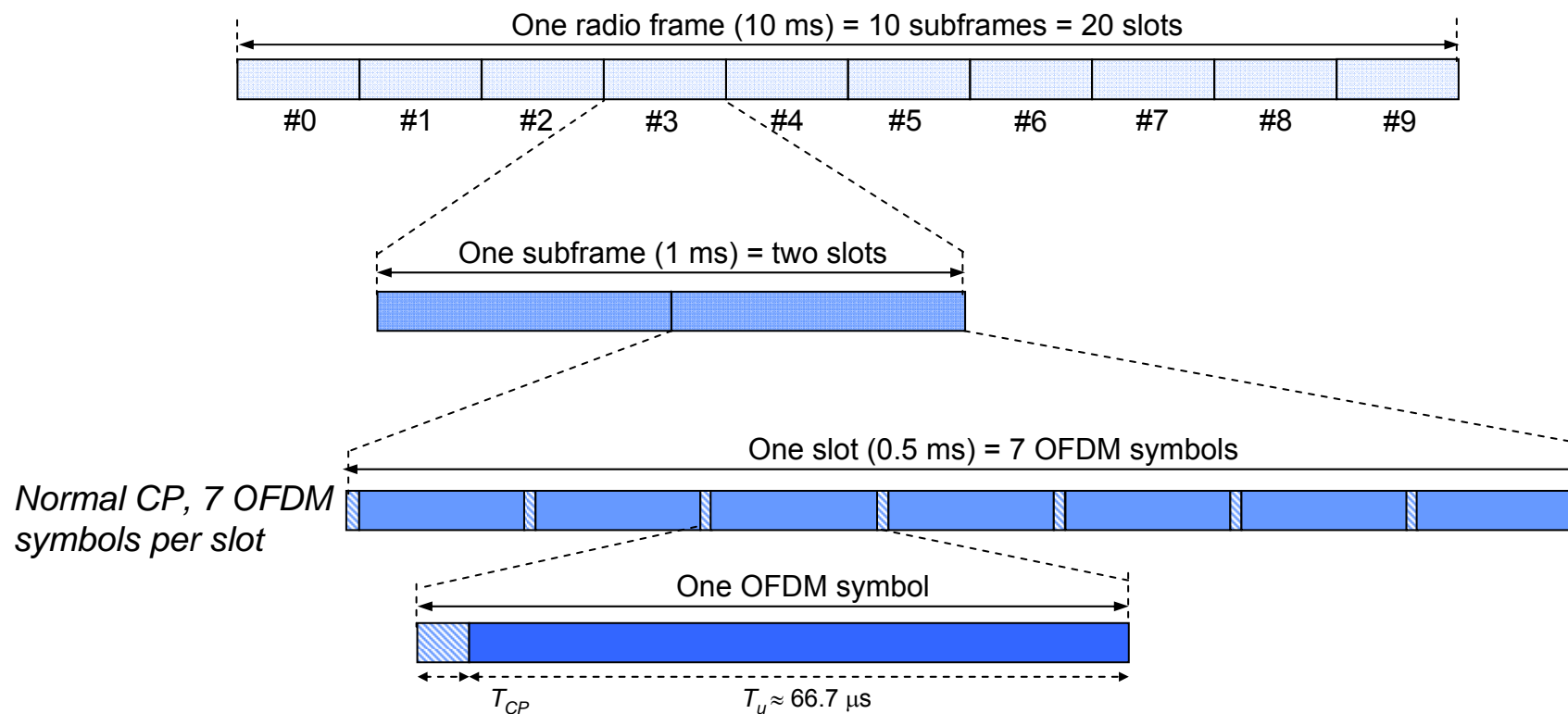
Logical Channels
"type of information"
(traffic/control)

Transport Channels
"how and with what
characteristics"
(common/shared/mc/bc)

Physical Channels
"bits, symbols,
modulation, radio
frames etc"

Time-domain Structure

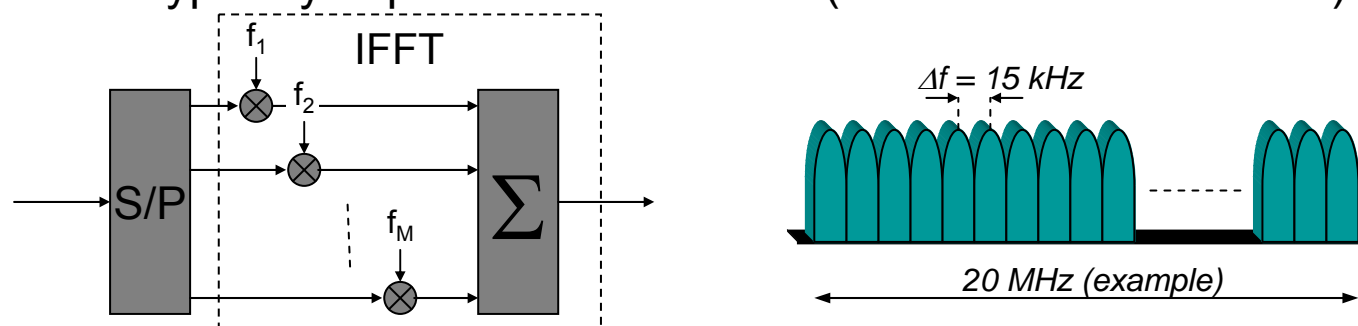
Time-domain Structure (FDD)



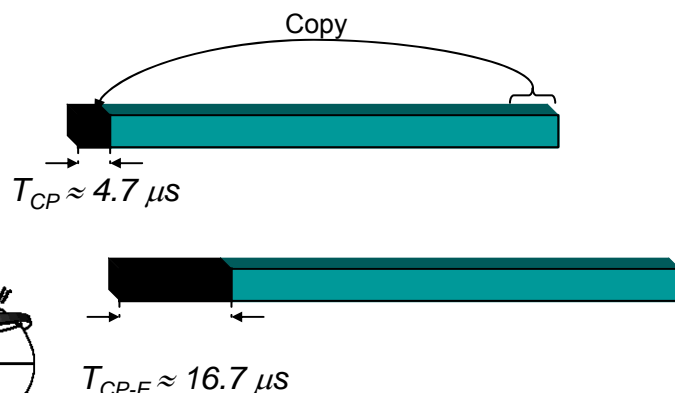
L1 basics

Downlink – OFDM with Cyclic Prefix

- Parallel transmission using a large number of narrowband “sub-carriers”
- “Multi-carrier” transmission
 - Typically implemented with FFT (Fast Fourier Transform) and Inverse FFT



- Insertion of cyclic prefix prior to transmission
 - Improved robustness in time-dispersive channels – *requires CP > delay spread*
 - Spectral efficiency loss

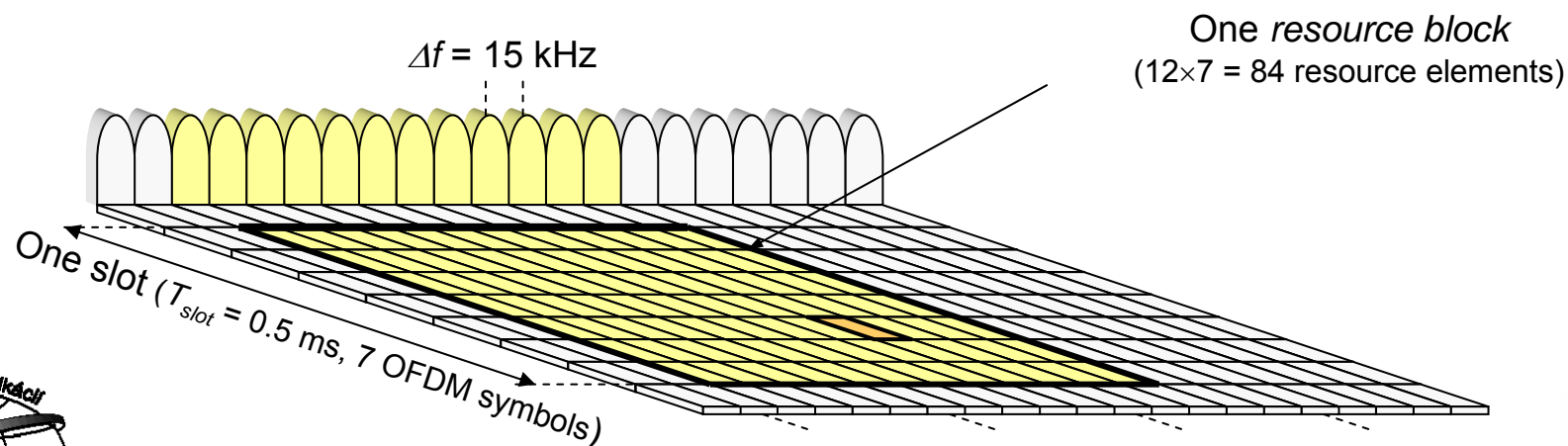


Configuration, Δf	CP length	Symbols per slot
Normal	15 kHz	$\approx 4.7 \mu s^*$
	15 kHz	$\approx 16.7 \mu s$
Extended	7.5 kHz	$\approx 33.3 \mu s$

* First symbol of each slot has a CP length of 5.2 μs

Resource Blocks

- The basic TTI (Transmission Time Interval) for DL-SCH is 1 ms
 - TTI is a *transport channel property*
 - Subframe is a *physical channel property*
 - One (or two) transport blocks per TTI sent to L1
- One resource block is 12 subcarriers during one 0.5 ms slot



Downlink Coding Chain

Segmentation for per-stream channel coding/decoding and error detection

24 bit CRC addition

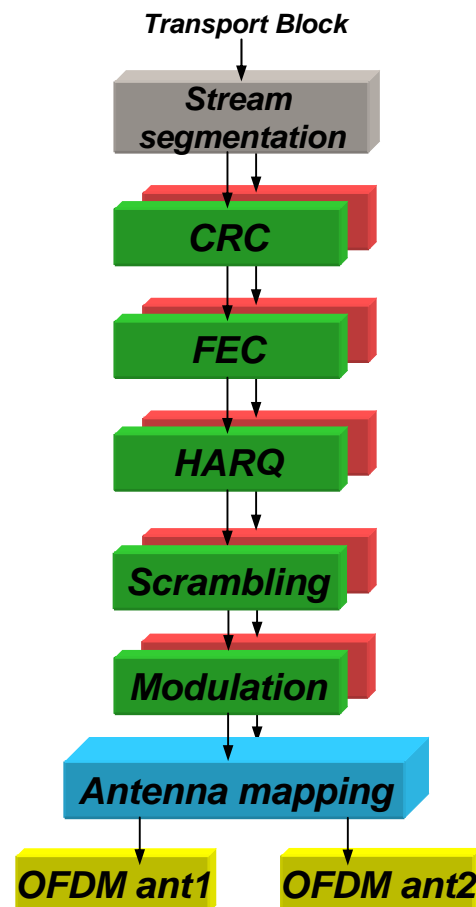
Rel6 Turbo coding

Select sub-set of coded bits as determined by scheduler and HARQ status

Scrambling for inter-cell interference randomization

Modulation as determined by scheduler (QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM)

OFDM modulation (per antenna)

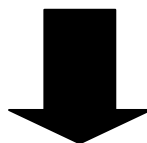


Downlink phy channels

- Physical Downlink Shared Channel, PDSCH
- Physical Broadcast Channel, PBCH
- Physical Multicast Channel, PMCH
- Physical Control Format Indicator Channel, PCFICH
- Physical Downlink Control Channel, PDCCH
- Physical Hybrid ARQ Indicator Channel, PHICH

Peak to Average Power Ratio

- Extremely high for pure OFDM signals
- Demands high amplifier linearity
- Impacts batter life



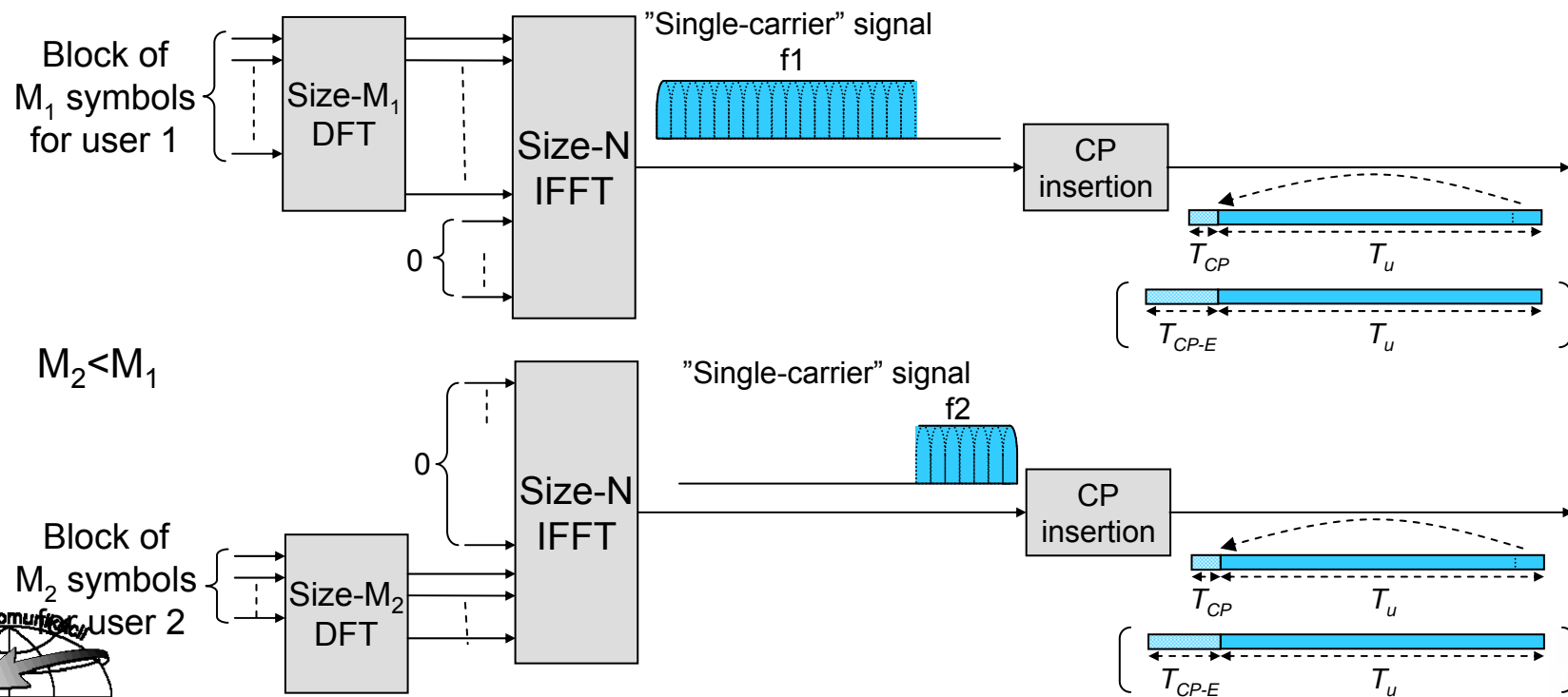
Not suitable for UL transmission

Uplink transmission scheme

– *DFTS-OFDM*

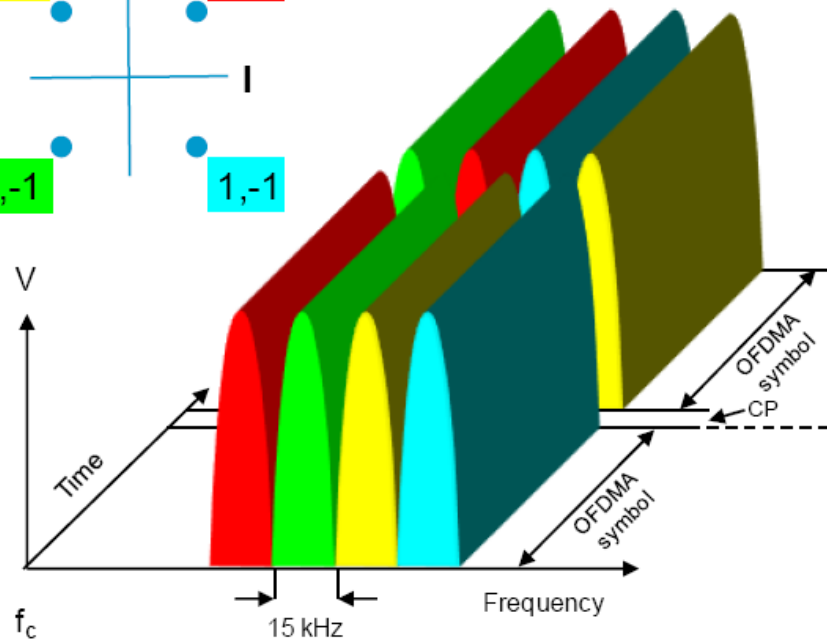
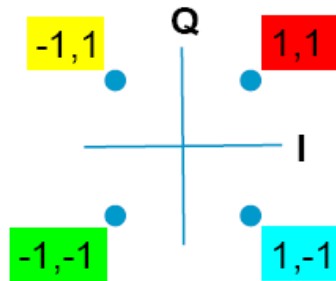
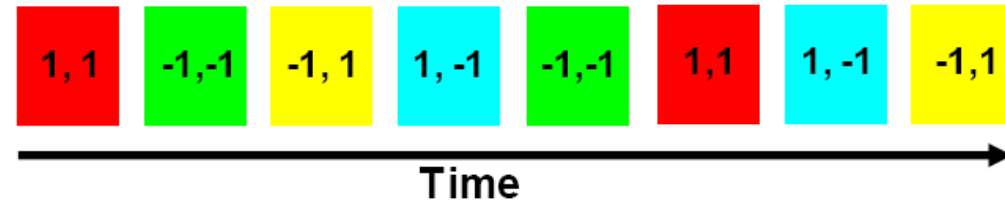
SC-FDMA

- OFDM with DFT-based pre-coding \Rightarrow Low PAPR
- Same basic "OFDM" parameters as for downlink
 - $\Delta f = 15$ kHz, $T_{CP} \approx 4.7 / 5.2 \mu\text{s}$, $T_{CP-E} \approx 16.7 \mu\text{s}$
- Orthogonal uplink – no intra cell interference



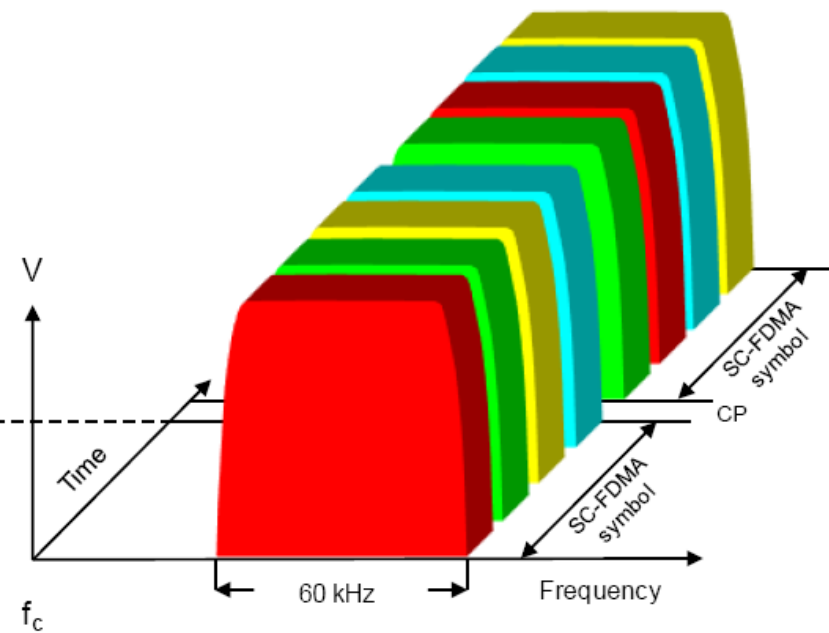
QPSK example with 4 subcarriers

The following graphs show how a sequence of eight QPSK symbols is represented in frequency and time



OFDMA

Data symbols occupy 15 kHz for one OFDMA symbol period



SC-FDMA

Data symbols occupy $M \cdot 15$ kHz for $1/M$ SC-FDMA symbol periods

Uplink Coding Chain

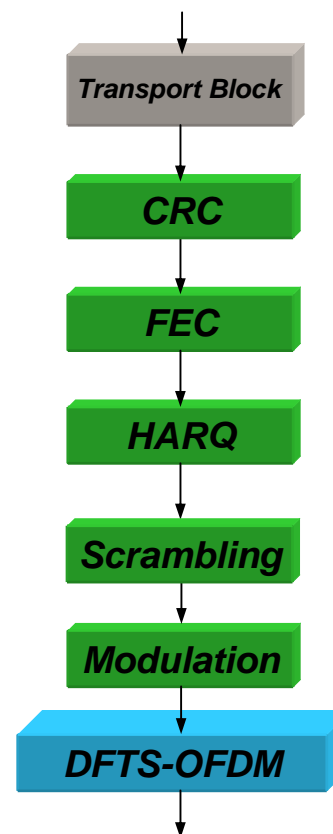
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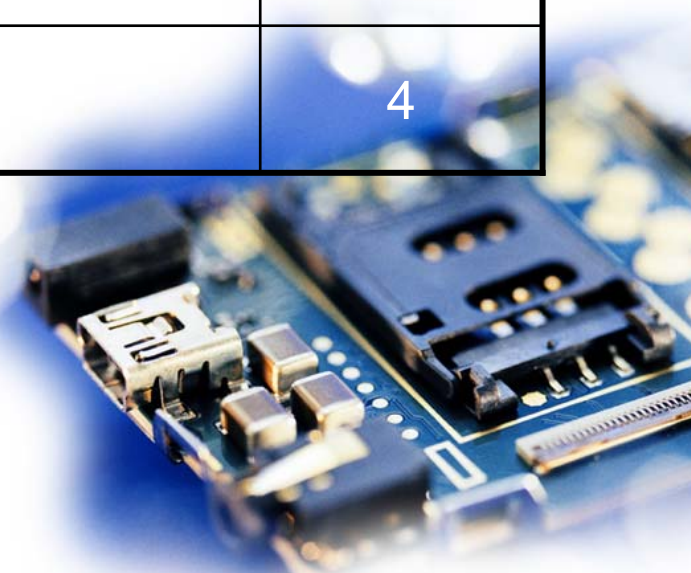


Uplink phy channels

- Physical Uplink Shared Channel, PUSCH
- Physical Uplink Control Channel, PUCCH
- Physical Random Access Channel, PRACH

UE Categories

Category	1	2	3	4	5
DL peak rate	10	50	100	150	300
UL peak rate	5	25	50	50	75
Max DL mod	64QAM				
Max UL mod	16QAM				64QAM
Layers for spatial mux.	1	2			4



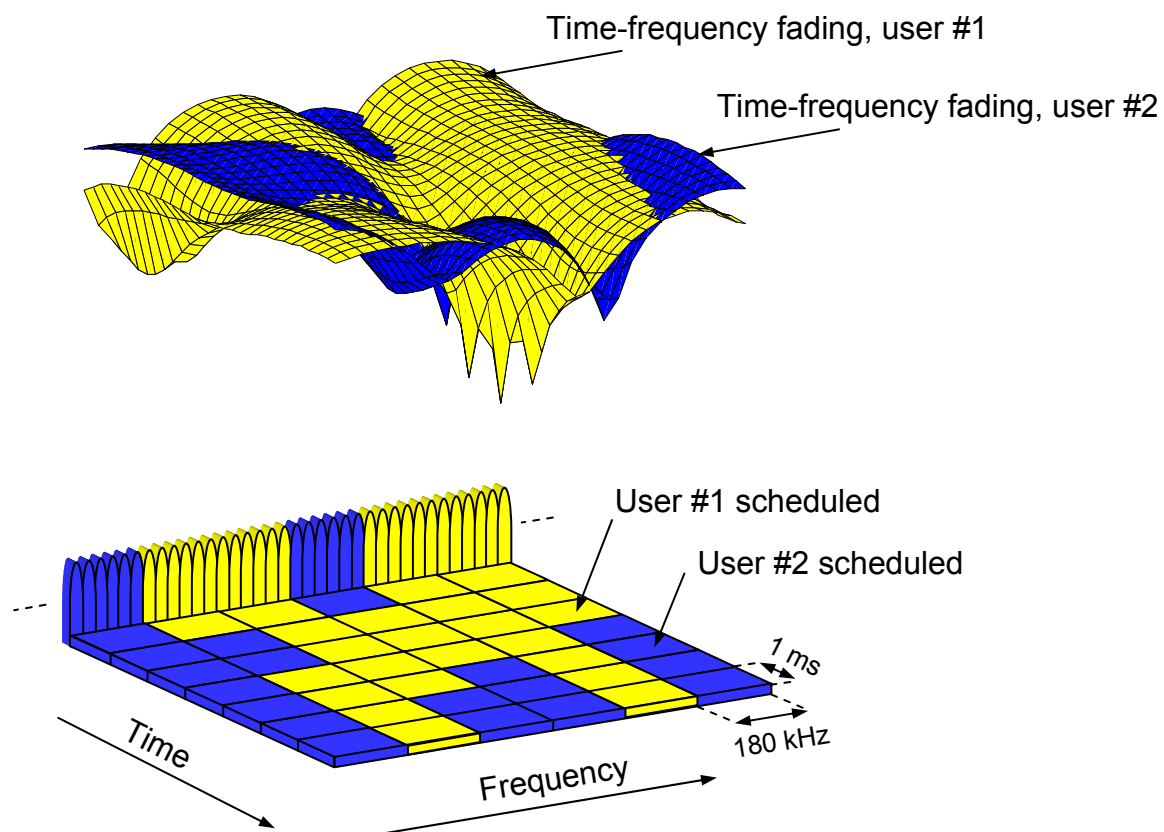
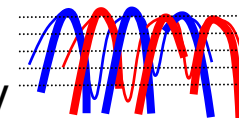
Key challenges

Radio Resource Management

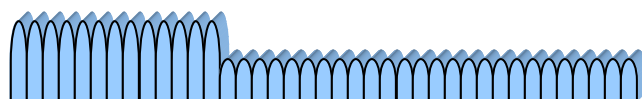
- Not standardized (just RRC messages)
- Intercell Interference Mitigation
- Scheduling & channel estimation
- MIMO operation
- Power control

Channel-dependent Scheduling

- HSPA – channel-dependent scheduling in time-domain only
- LTE – channel-dependent scheduling in time *and* frequency domains



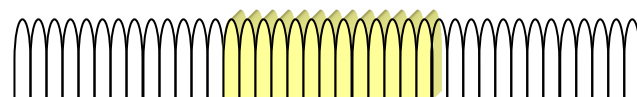
Cell/user separation – example



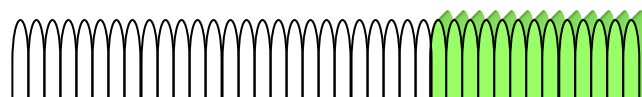
Cell center terminals



Cell edge terminals

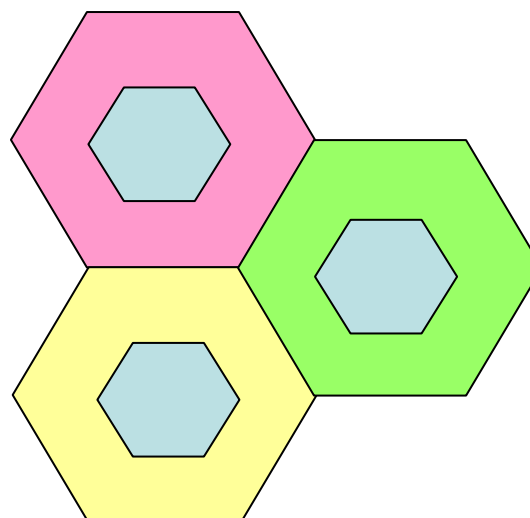


Neighbor cell 1 edge terminals



Neighbor cell 2 edge terminals

Coordination over X2 interface



MIMO

- **Single User MIMO** (DL only)
 - Precoded spatial multiplexing → higher peaks

- **Multi User MIMO** (DL only)
 - Multiple UEs per RB
 - Max one layer per UE

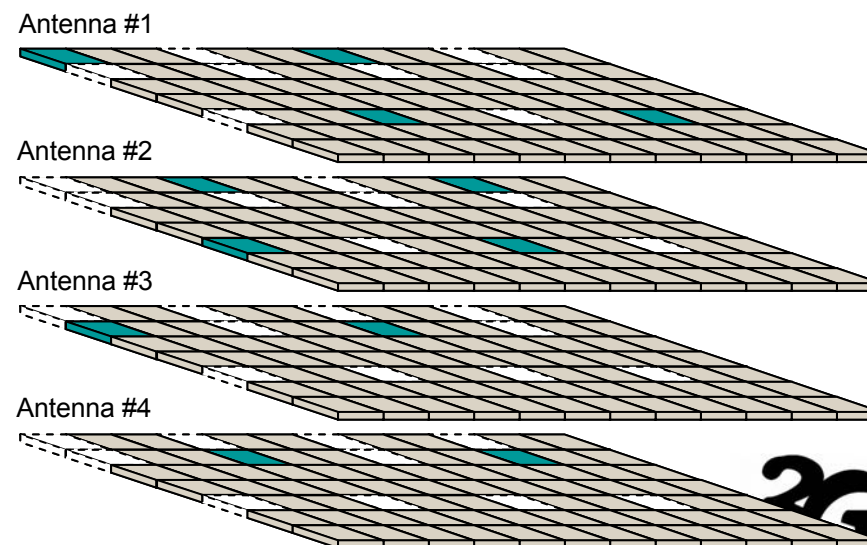
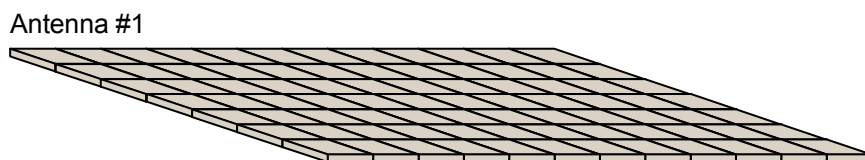
- **Collaborative MIMO** (UL only)
 - Use of CDMA for individual pilots

- **Beamforming** (TDD)
 - Interference suppression

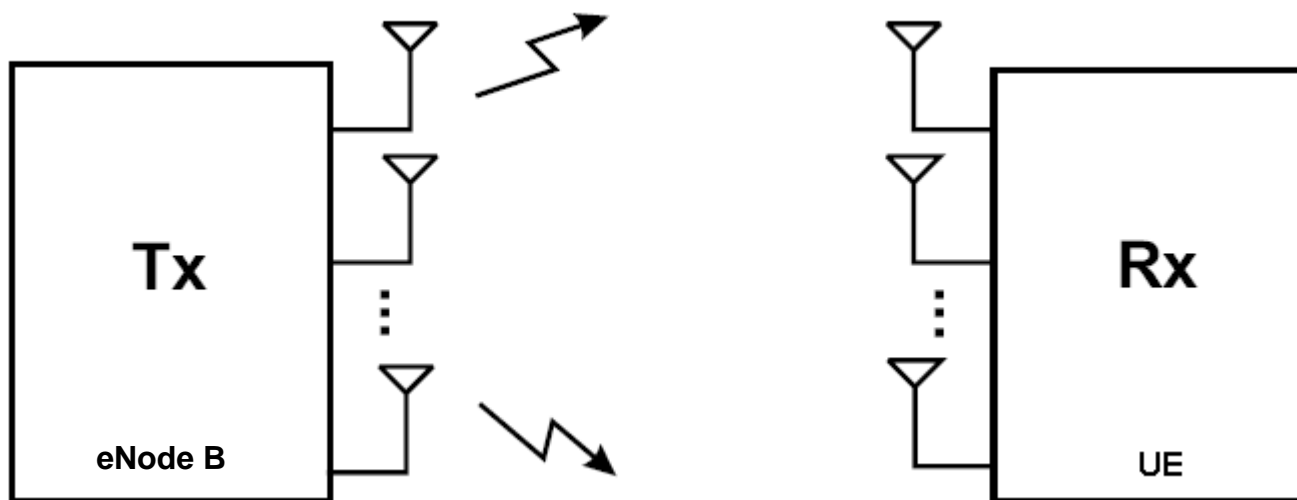


Multi-antenna transmission

- One, two, or four *antenna ports*
- Multiple antenna ports \Rightarrow Multiple time-frequency grids
- Each antenna port defined by an associated **Reference Signal**



MIMO basics



$$R_{x1} = h_{11}T_{x1} + h_{12}T_{x2}$$

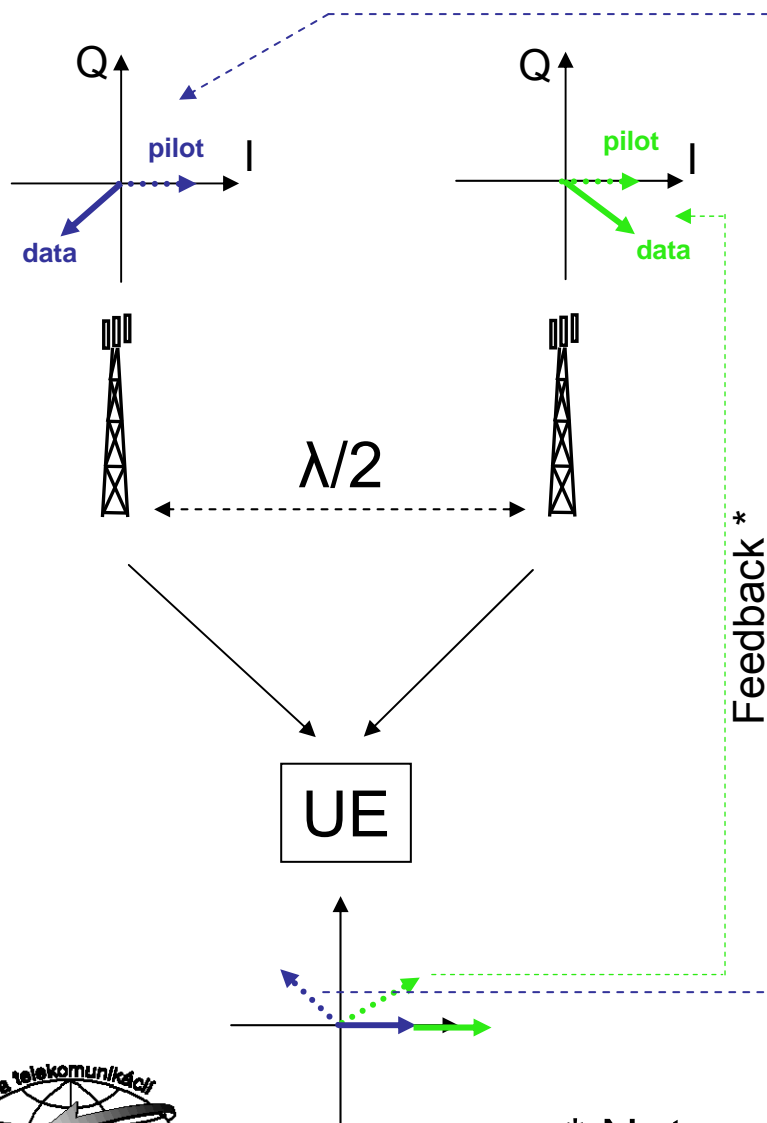
$$R_{x2} = h_{21}T_{x1} + h_{22}T_{x2}$$

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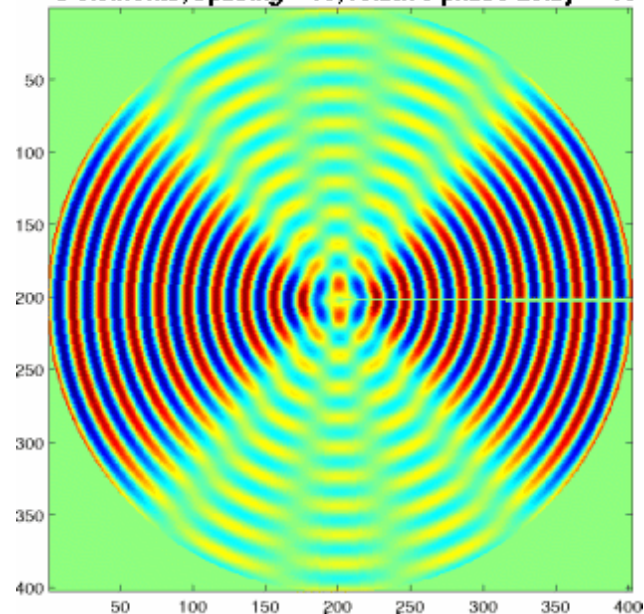
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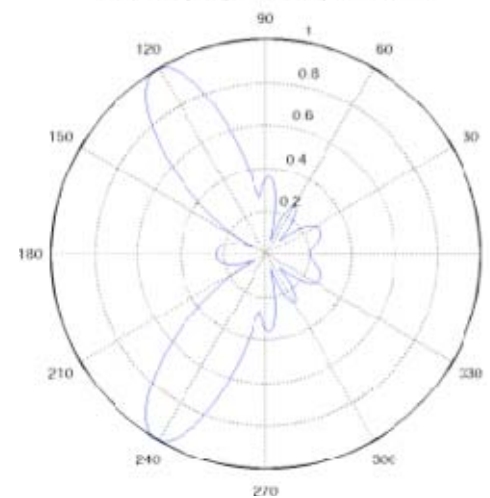
Beamforming



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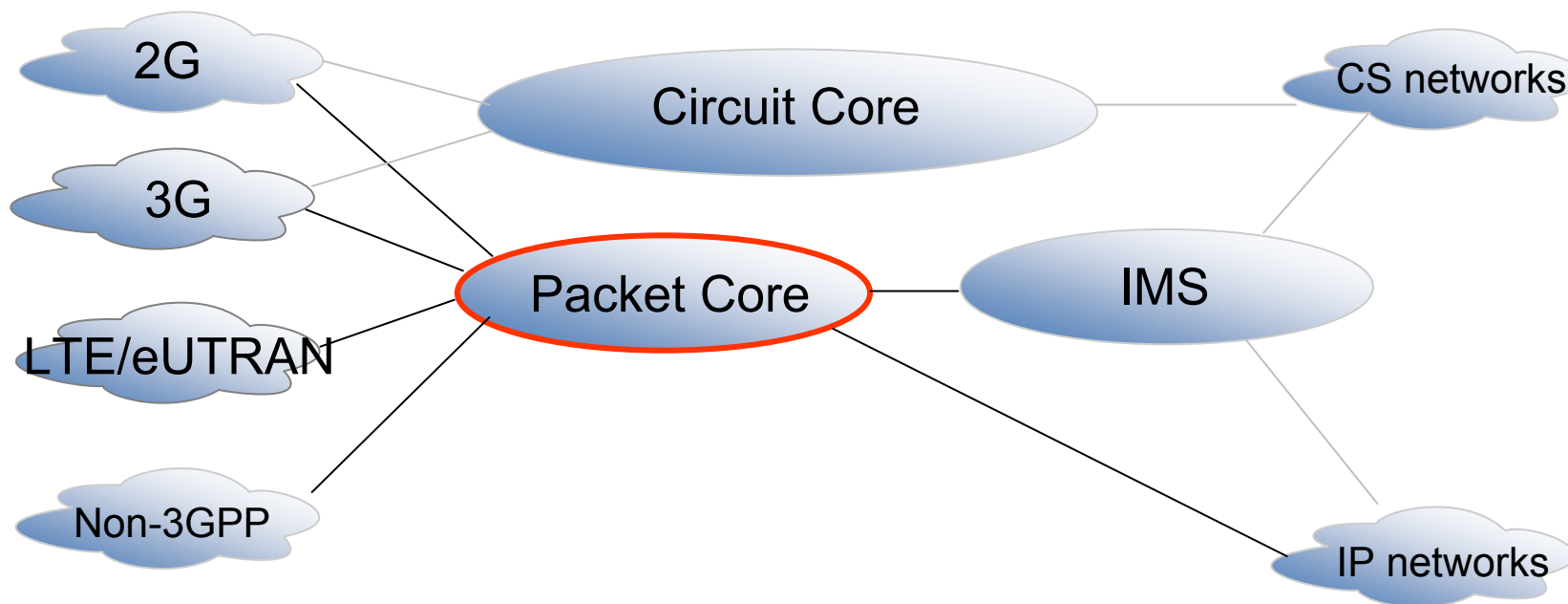


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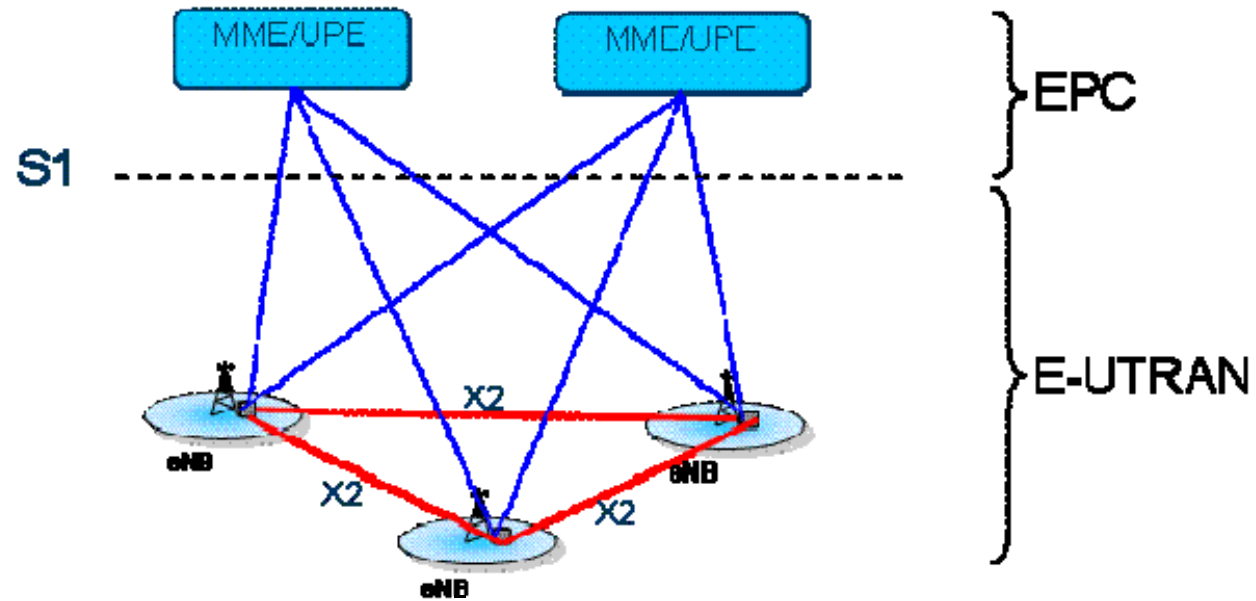


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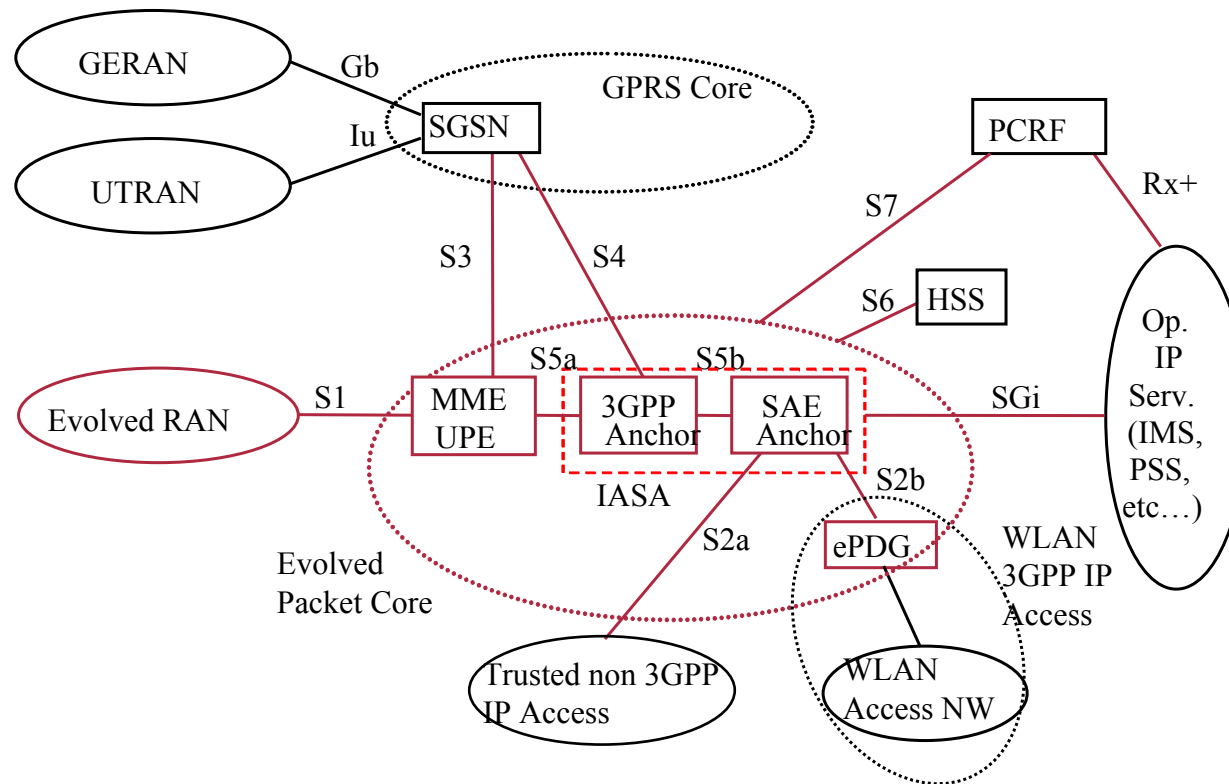
Where is SAE?



SAE/EPC



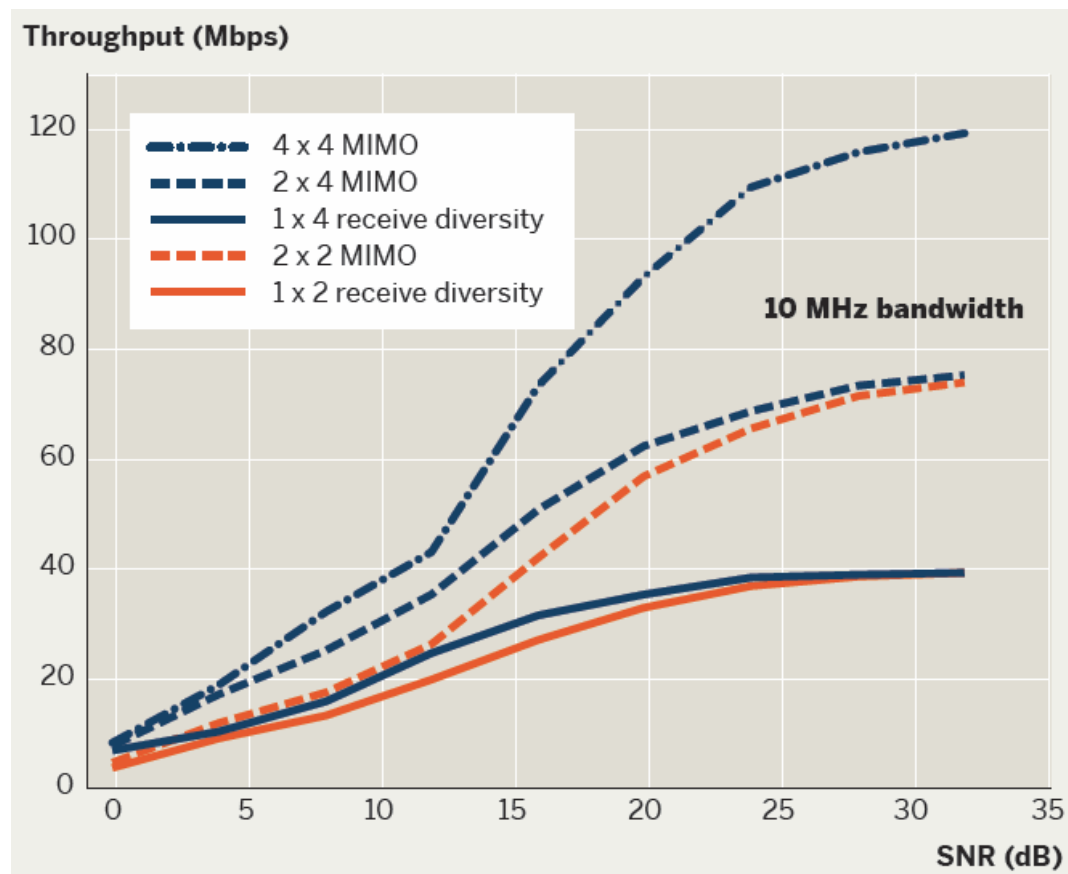
Detailed EPC view



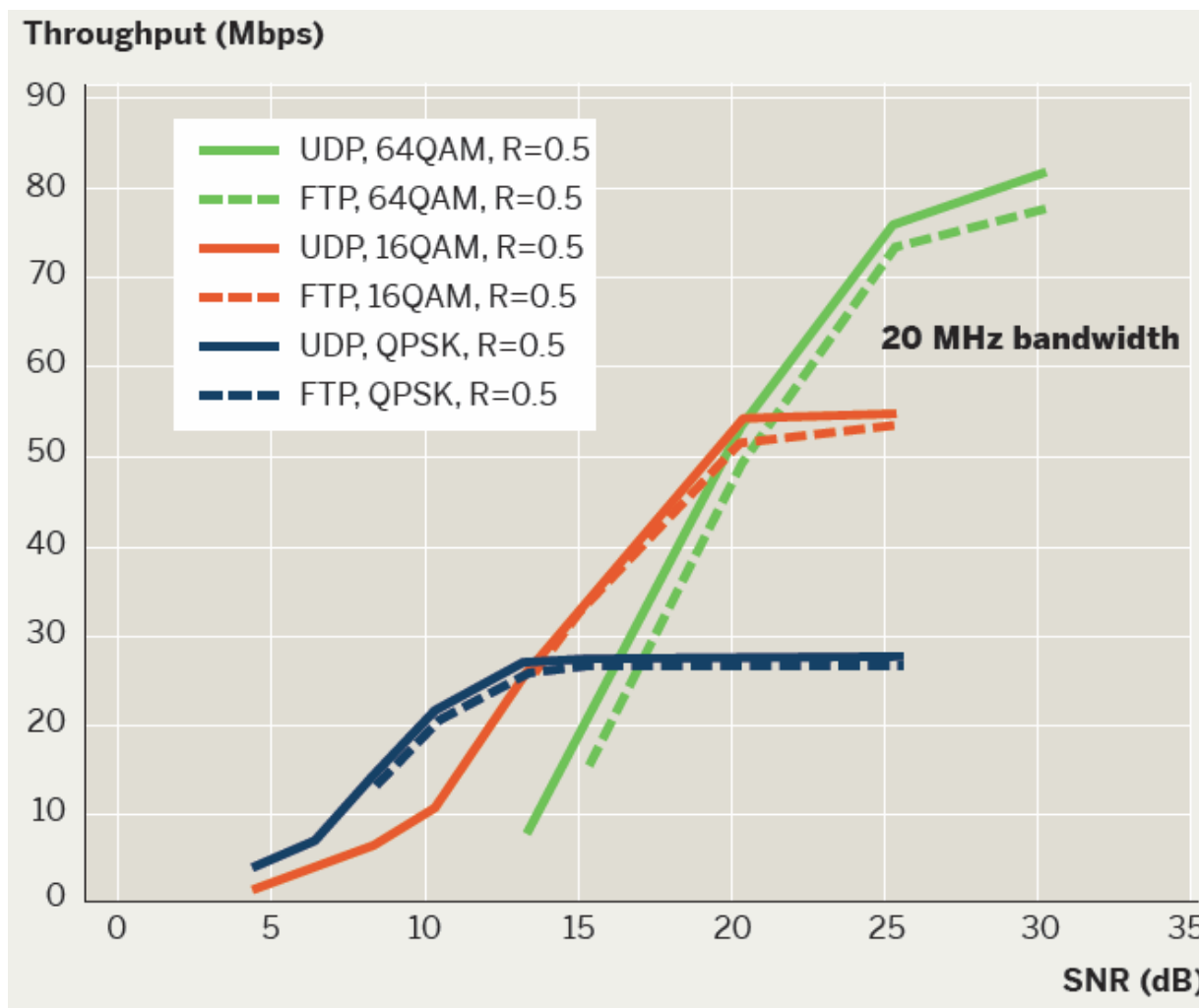
Terminals



Lab – AWGN, 10 MHz



Lab - PB3 channel, 20 MHz, 2x2



Field results

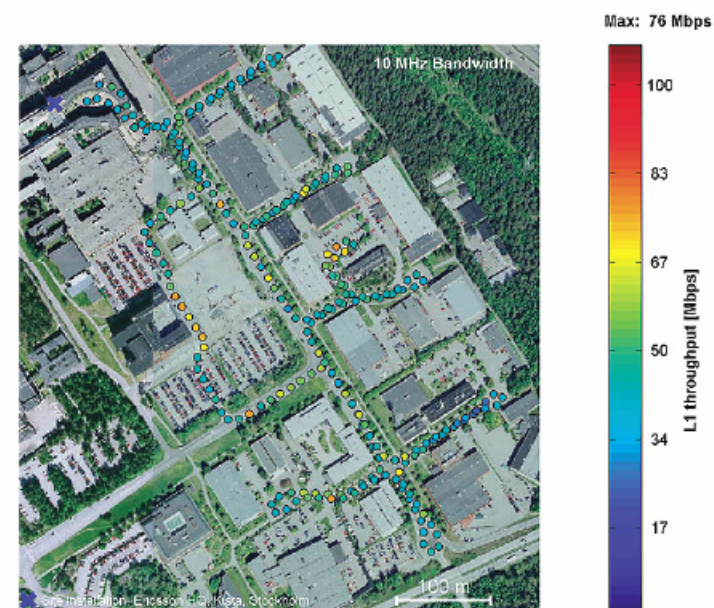
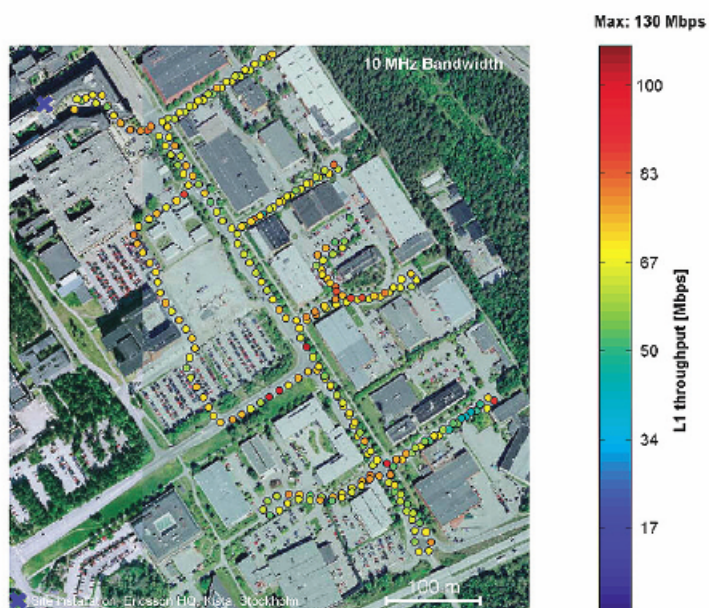


Field results



Field

Left: Throughput relative to location for a 4x4 MIMO setup using 10 MHz bandwidth and dual-polarized antennas. Right: Throughput relative to location for a 2x2 MIMO setup using 10 MHz bandwidth and dual-polarized antennas. Base station located at X in both plots.



Comparison – 5 MHz, 64 QAM, 4x4 MIMO

HSDPA

$$14,4 \times 1,5 \text{ (64QAM)} \times 4 \text{ (MIMO)}$$

$$=$$

$$\mathbf{86,4 \text{ Mbps}}$$

Peak spectral efficiency:

$$86,4 \text{ Mbps} / 5 \text{ MHz}$$

$$=$$

$$\mathbf{17,28 \text{ bps/Hz}}$$

E-UTRAN

5 MHz = 25 Resource Blocks
 1 RB = 12 carriers (180 kHz)
 1 carrier = 6 bits (64QAM)
 Symbol = (66,67 + 4,7) μ s
 # pilots = 12 out of 84 in 1 symbol
 # L1 signaling = 8 out of 168

$$12 \times 6 / 71,37 = 1,01 \text{ Mbps}$$

in 5 MHz + MIMO = 25 x 1,01 x 4 x
 Pilot OH x L1 sig. OH

$$= 82,45 \text{ Mbps}$$

Peak spectral efficiency:
 $\mathbf{16,49 \text{ bps/Hz}}$

LTE DL peak rate

64 QAM and 20 MHz and 4x4 MIMO

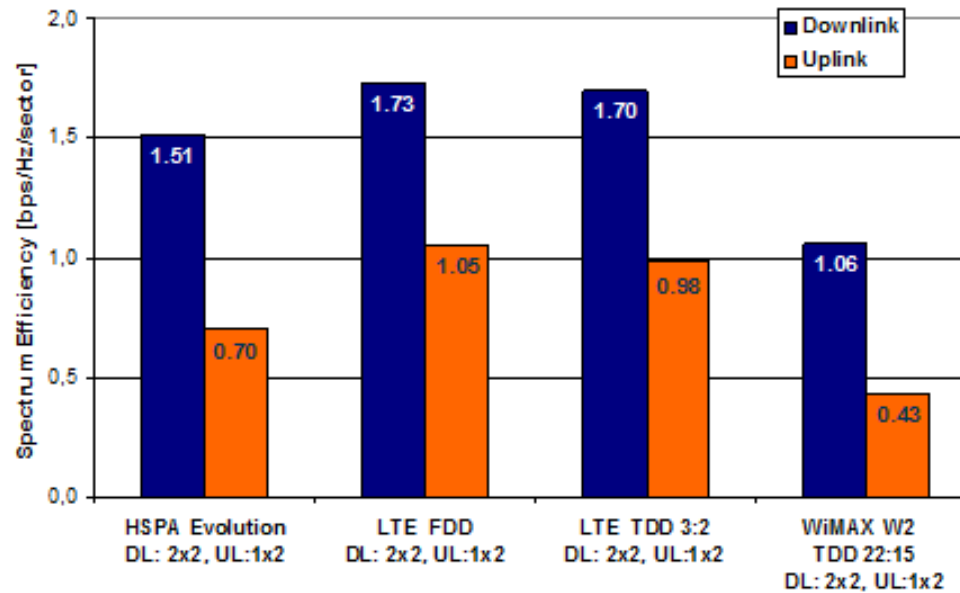
- 14 OFDM symbols per 1.0 ms subframe
- 64QAM - 6 bits per symbol
- $6 \times 14 = 84$ bits per 1.0 ms subframe
- $84\text{bits}/1.0\text{ms} = 84\text{kbps}$ per subcarrier
- **$12 \times 84\text{kbps} = 1.008\text{Mbps}$ per Resource Block**
- 100 resource blocks in 20MHz
- $100 \times 1.008\text{Mbps} = 100.8\text{Mbps}$ per antenna
- **$4 \times 4 \text{ MIMO}: 403.2\text{Mbps} !!$**
- no overhead calculated in this example!



Peak vs. Sustainable SE

Spectral Efficiency Urban Macro (TU-similar)

HSPA DL, LTE and WIMAX: Ericsson's input to NGMN MS 2. Urban macro 3km/h, ISD=500 m, indoor UE:s
HSPA UL, 3GPP 25.814 case1 (SCM Radio channel model – 3GPP TR 25 996). Similar set up.



3G vs 4G

- WiMAX, LTE are not **4G**!
- 4G = IMT-Advanced by ITU-T
 - 3GPP LTE-Advanced
 - IEEE 802.16m



...specifications in **2010** and beyond



LTE-A targets / requirements

- **1 Gbps** in DL peak
- **500 Mbps** in UL peak
- **100 MHz** channel bandwidth
- 10 ms U-plane latency
- 50 ms C-plane latency
- 30 bps/Hz in DL peak
- 15 bps/Hz in UL peak
- 300 VoIP UE per 5 MHz

LTE-Advanced

- simplified radio network operation
- multiple antenna solutions
 - to 8x8
 - for UL as well
- active interference management
- coordinated multipoint Tx/Rx
- relaying
- direct UE-to-UE communication
- network coding



Key challenges for LTE

- What to do?
 - Physical layer close to Shannon bound
 - Channel quality variations utilized in many ways
 - Interference 'out of control'

- Inter-cell interference

- Throughput increase

- Spectrum flexibility

IMT-Advanced and LTE-Advanced Requirements and targets

	IMT-Advanced (DL/UL)	LTE release 8 (DL/UL)	LTE-Advanced (DL/UL)
Maximum bandwidth	min 40 MHz	20 MHz	100 MHz
Peak data rates [<i>Mbps</i>]	–	300 / 75	1000 / 500
Peak spectral efficiency [<i>bps/Hz</i>]	15 / 6.75	15 / 3.75	30 / 15
Average spectral efficiency [<i>bps/Hz/cell</i>]	2.2 / 1.4	2.05 / 1.5	2.6 / 2.0
Cell-edge user spectral efficiency [<i>bps/user/Hz/cell</i>]	0.06 / 0.03	0.06 / 0.07	0.09 / 0.07

Scenario: IMT-Advanced: Base coverage Urban / LTE & LTE-Advanced: 3GPP Case 1
 Antenna configuration: DL: 4x2 / UL: 2x4 (1x4 for LTE)

- Already first release of LTE fulfills many of the IMT-Advanced requirements

LTE-Advanced targets beyond IMT-Advanced



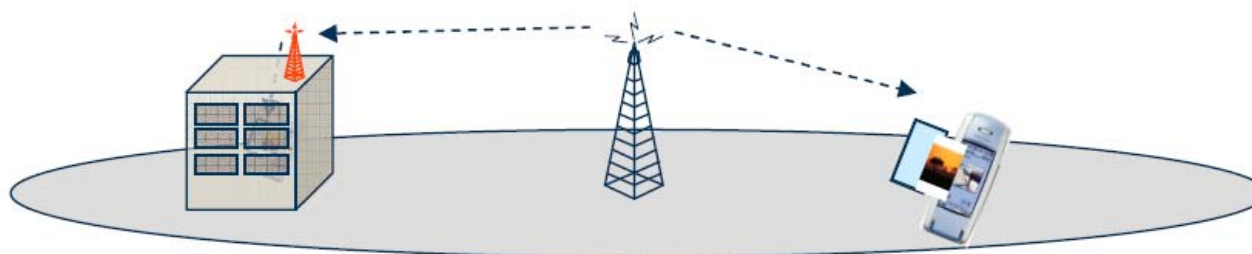
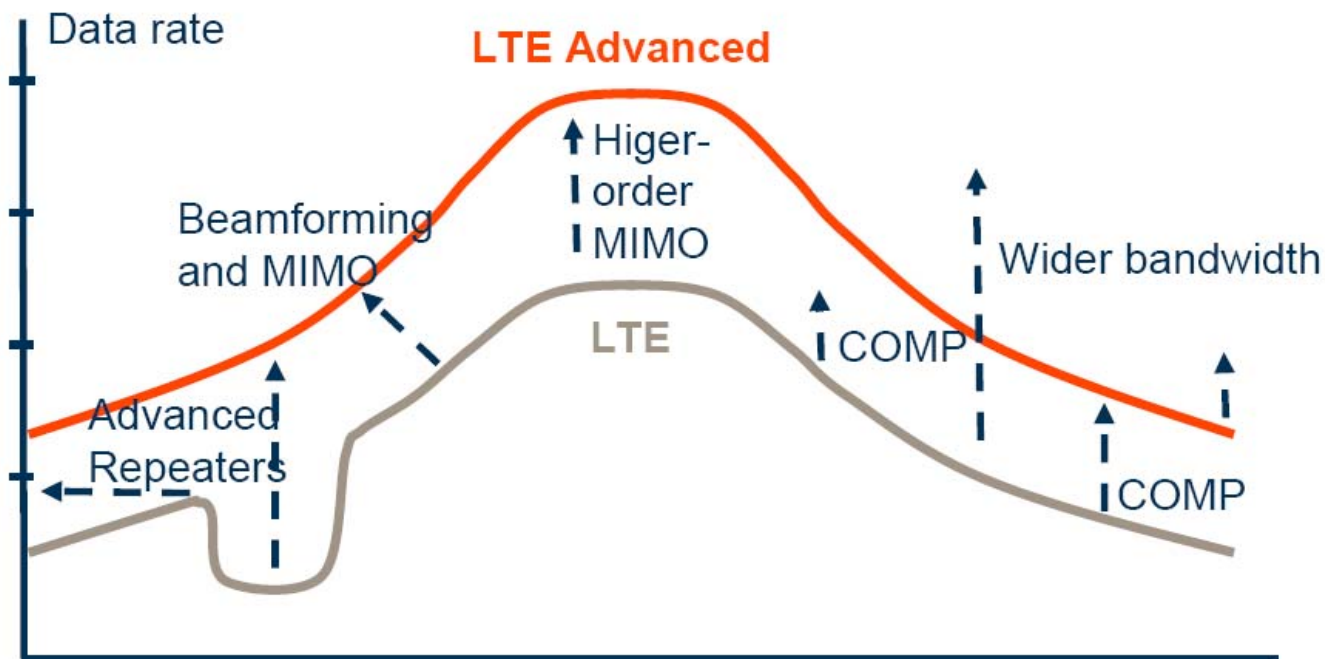
LTE-Advanced – *Technology components*



- Bandwidth extension / Carrier aggregation
- Spectrum aggregation
- Extended multi-antenna transmission
- Relaying functionality
- Coordinated multipoint transmission/reception

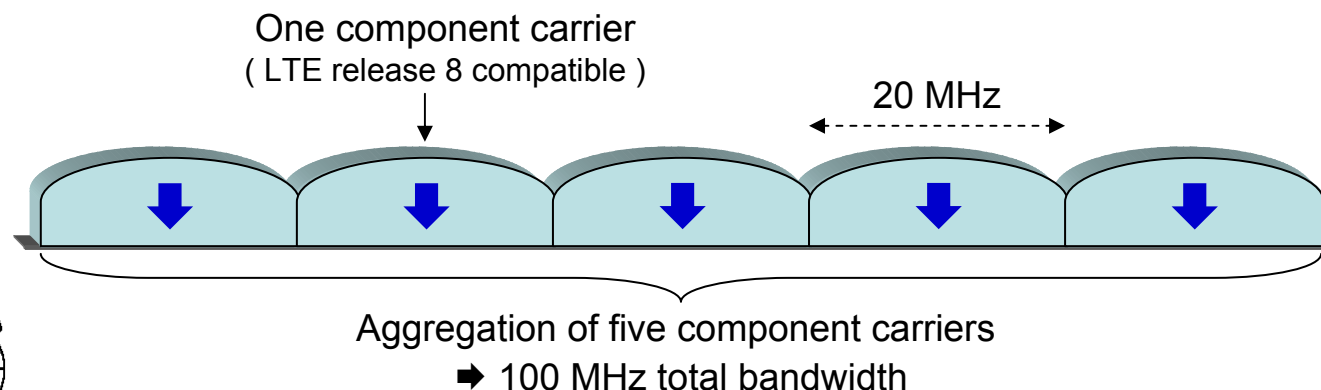


LTE-Advanced



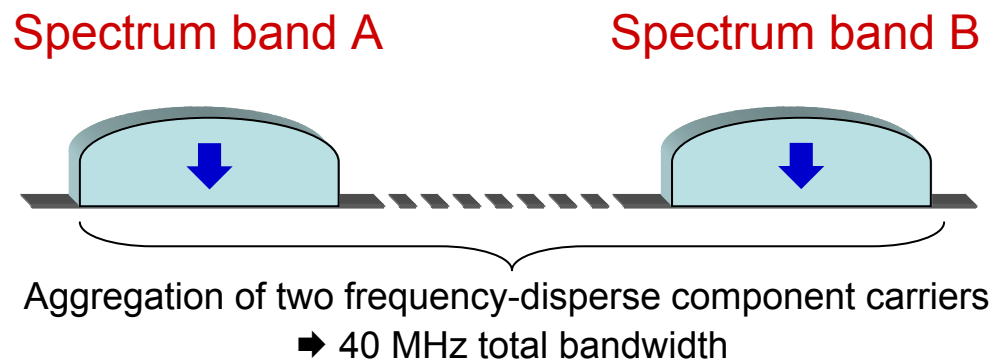
Carrier aggregation

- Aggregation of a set of *component carriers*
- Each component carrier compatible with LTE release 8
 - ➔ *Accessible by LTE release 8 UEs*
- LTE-Advanced UE can access set of aggregated carriers
 - ➔ *Benefit from overall wider bandwidth*



Spectrum aggregation

- Aggregation of non-contiguous component carriers including carriers in separate spectrum
- Wider overall bandwidth without large contiguous spectrum
 - ➔ *Efficient utilization of available spectrum*
- Impact on UE complexity
 - ➔ *Supported by high-end mobile devices*



Extended multi-antenna transmission



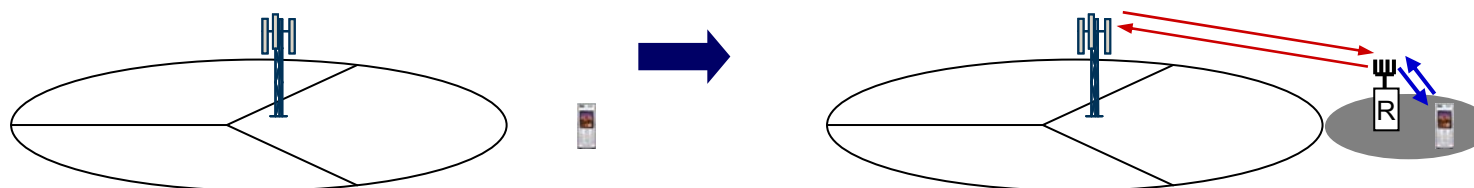
- Multi-antenna support in LTE release 8
 - Downlink transmit diversity – Up to 4 antennas
 - Downlink spatial multiplexing – Up to 4 antennas / layers
- Extended multi-antenna support for LTE-Advanced
 - Uplink spatial multiplexing – Up to 4 layers
 - Extended downlink spatial multiplexing – Up to 8 layers

➔ *Higher peak data rates and improved system efficiency*

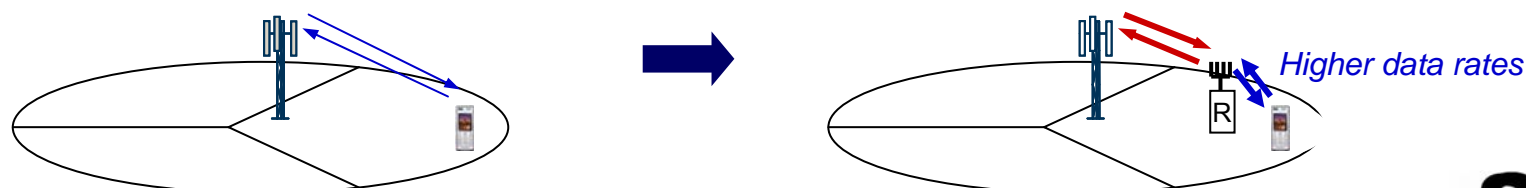


Relaying functionality

- **Coverage-area extension**, i.e. extend coverage to areas where there currently is no coverage

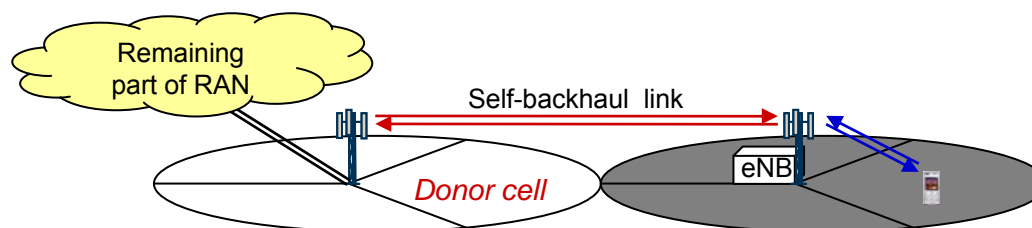


- **Data-rate extension**, i.e. provide higher data rates in areas where there already is lower-rate coverage



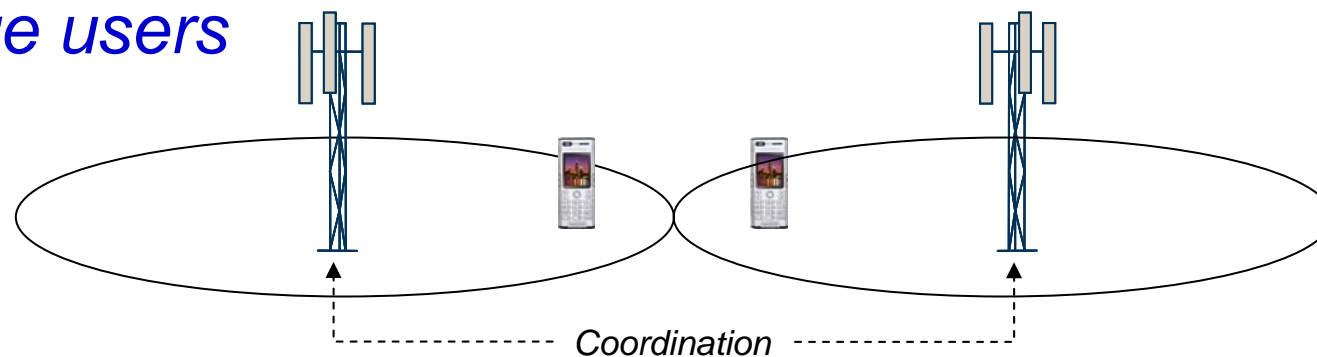
Relaying functionality

- Repeater ("amplify-and-forward")
 - Low delay, limited standard impact
 - Sufficient in many cases
- Higher-layer relaying ("decode-and-forward")
 - User-plane forwarding on layer 2 or layer 3?
 - Location of different control-plane functionalities?
 - Relay has full eNB functionality ➔ "Self-backhauling"



Coordinated Multipoint transmission / reception (CoMP)

- Dynamic coordination in the transmission and/or reception between different cell sites
 - What to achieve?
 - Reduced/controlled inter-cell interference
 - Improved signal strength in downlink and uplink
- ➔ *Enhanced service provisioning, especially for cell-edge users*

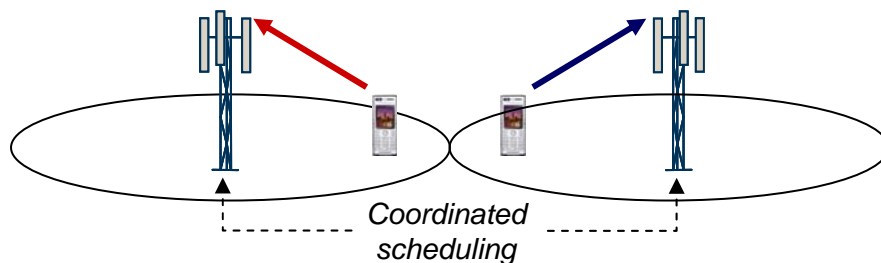


Coordinated multipoint reception

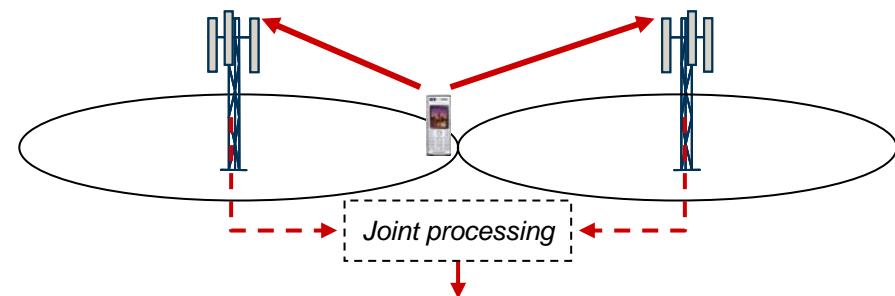
Uplink CoMP

- Dynamic coordination in uplink scheduling between cell sites
- Reception and joint processing of signals received at multiple geographically separated points

Scheduling coordination



Joint processing

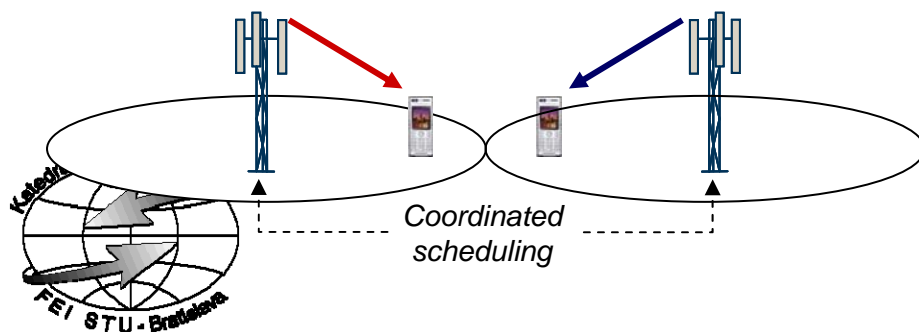


Coordinated multipoint transmission

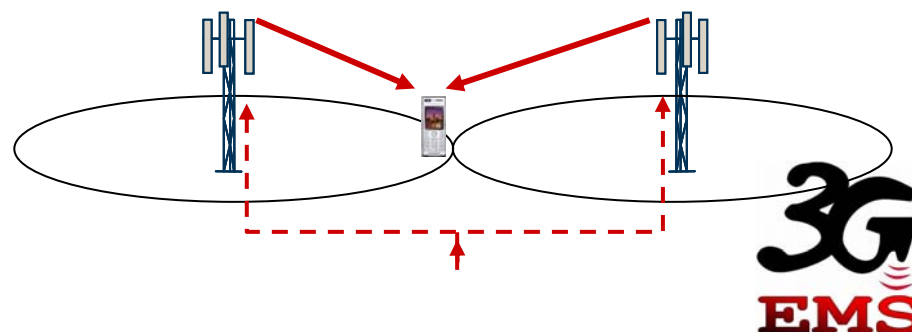
Downlink CoMP

- Dynamic coordination in downlink scheduling between cell sites
- Joint transmission from multiple geographically separated points
 - Non-coherent transmission ➔ Power boost at the cell border
 - Coherent transmission ➔ Multi-cell beam-forming

Scheduling coordination



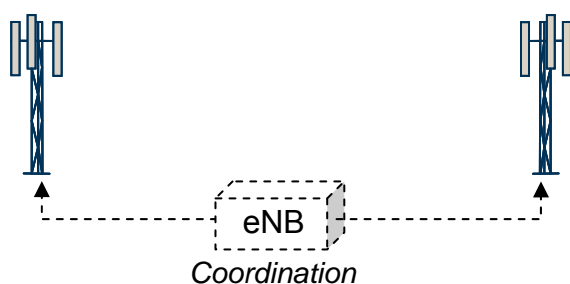
Joint transmission



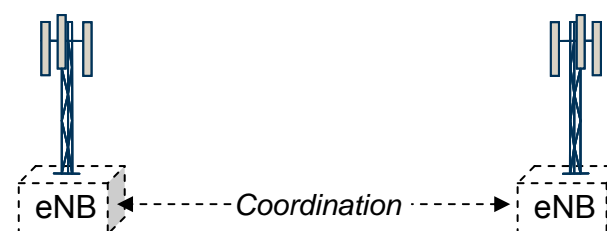
Architectural impact

- Coordination may be limited to cells of the same eNB or also possible between cells of different eNB
 - Intra-eNB coordination \Leftrightarrow No impact on RAN-internal interfaces
 - Inter-eNB coordination \Leftrightarrow Impact on RAN-internal interfaces

Intra-eNB coordination



Inter-eNB coordination



- *"Baseline CoMP" between eNB (e.g. only dynamic scheduling coordination)*

"Extended CoMP" within eNB (e.g. joint processing/transmission)

“It is dangerous to put limits on wireless” – G. Marconi, 1932

