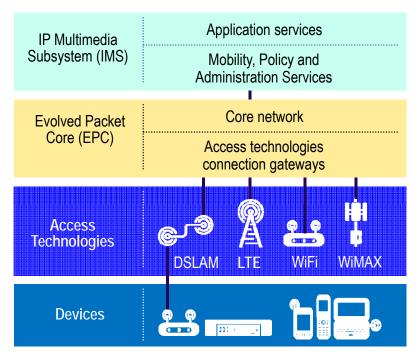
# ADVANCES IN BROADBAND ACCESS COMMUNICATIONS



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#### **COMMUNICATIONS NEEDS & TRENDS**





- multimedia services: Voice, Video distribution, Realtime videoconferencing, Data,... for both business and residential customers:
  - Explosive traffic growth
  - Internet growth, VoIP, VideoIP, IPTV
- Cell phone popularity worldwide
- Ubiquitous communication for people and devices
- Emerging systems opening new applications
- Unified network: Single distributed network, multiple services, packet architecture







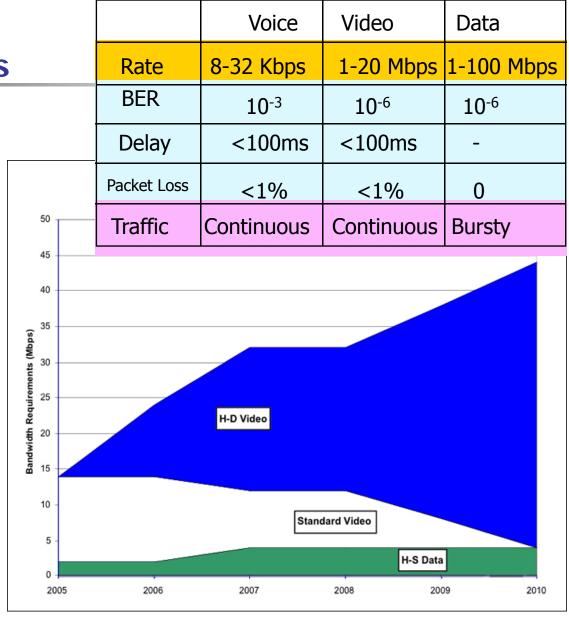


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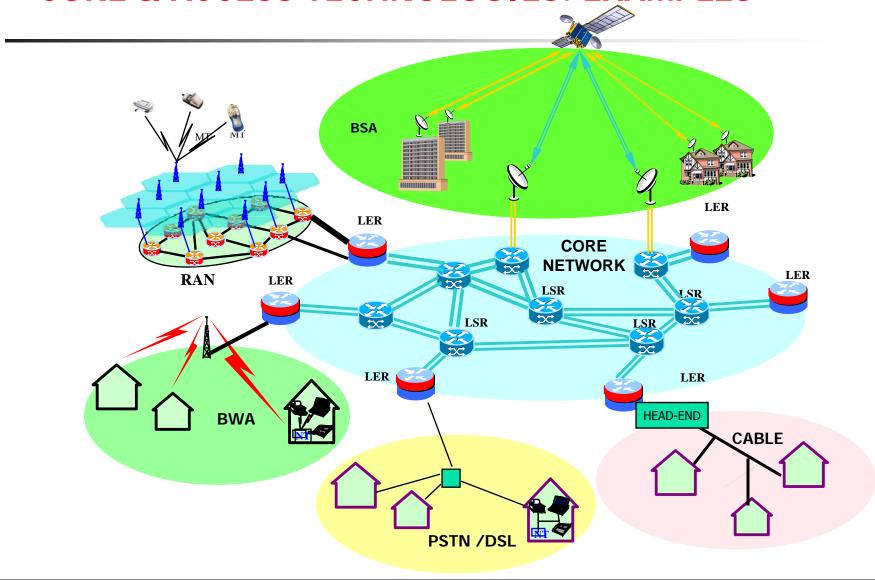
- The explosive acceptance of the Internet as indicated by the time taken to reach the 10 million customer mark after being introduced to the mass market:
  - 38 years for telephone
  - 25 years for cable TV
  - 9 years for cell phone
  - 6 years for wireless data
  - <2 years for Internet</p>
- Internet users want & demand speed

# Multimedia Services: Requirements

- attributes: high-speed, bursty traffic, various QoS requirements, mobility
- technical requirements: efficient use of broadband transmission resources
- fiber can provide high capacity but fiber to every user is expensive
- for major areas covered by fiber this is the last mile issue.



### **CORE & ACCESS TECHNOLOGIES: EXAMPLES**



#### **CONSIDERATIONS:**

#### **DEMANDS:**

- Users want more capacity at good quality for various applications that need fast response, large volume of information.
- Operator wants more subscribers sharing the network for higher revenue, i.e., more efficient use of resources while offering QoS requirements

#### **ENVIRONMENT & SERVICES:**

- Limited resources (bandwidth, power).
- channels: time-varying, (multipath)
   frequency-selective fading,
   interference-limited
  - wireline: xDSL
  - wireless Near-LOS, Non-LOS:
     WiFi, UWB (indoor), WiMax, PCS (outdoor)
- Multimedia services with different QoS requirements.
- Large number of nodes in a dynamic network

#### TECHNICAL CHALLENGES

- Higher rates requires consideration of advanced transmission and signal processing techniques with better performance:
  - new dimensions, e.g., multiple-input multiple-output
  - adaptive to dynamic environmental changes
  - better interference-awareness
- Dynamic performance and resource management
- supports of different QoS requirements need more efficient dynamic resource allocation
- Better connectivity needs reconfigurable topology that can adapt to the changes.
- Efficient utilities of resources,
- Relatively low cost and complexity.

#### **APPROACHES:**

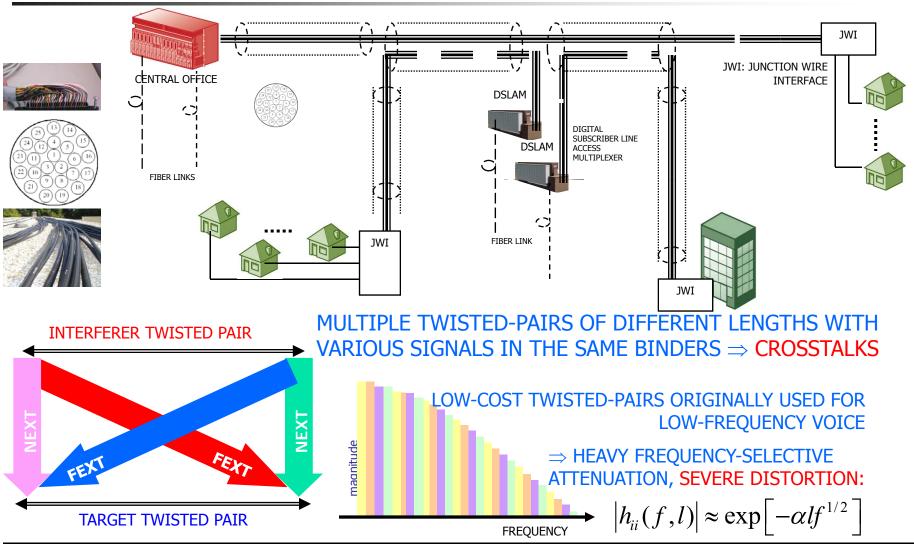
- adaptive multiple-dimensional transmission techniques in timevarying, frequency-selective fading channels:
  - space-time-frequency coding, precoding, modulation, decoding schemes that improves both coding and diversity gains
  - Reconfigurable, collaborative processing

#### in conjunction with

- dynamic resource allocation strategies across the "layers"
  - to improve resource utility in interference-limited environment
  - to promote collaboration between entities in efficiently sharing common communication resources

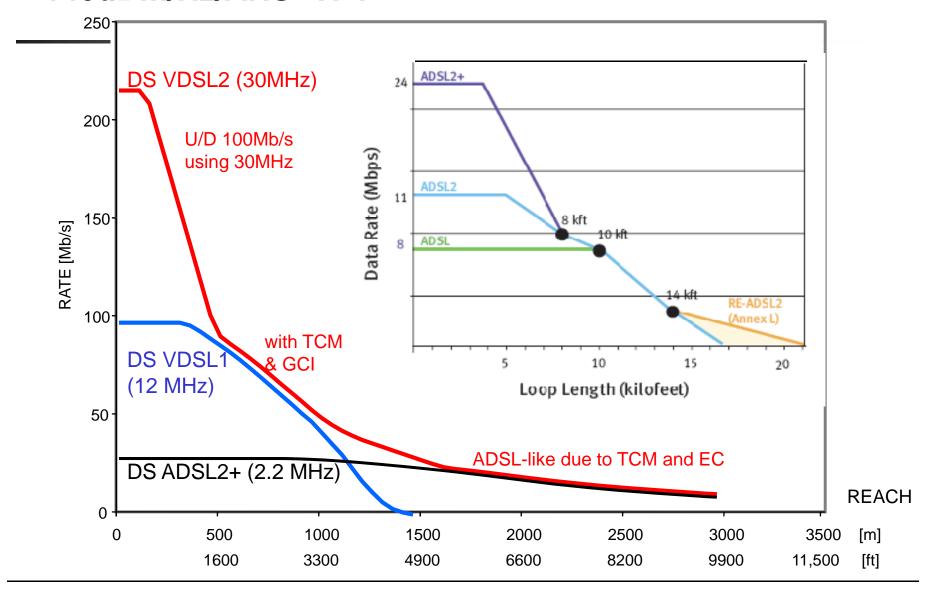
**xDSL**: An Overview

#### **EXAMPLE OF xDSL NETWORK & ENVIRONMENT**



#### **ADSL/VDSL Performance in AWGN channel**

#### -140dBm/Hz/ANSI-TP1



# **ADSL & VDSL: rates**

Family	ITU	Maximum Speed capabilities
ADSL	G.992.1 G.dmt 1999	7 Mbps down 800 kbps up
ADSL2	G.992.3 G.dmt.bis 2002	8 Mb/s down 1 Mbps up
ADSL2plus	G.992.5 2003	24 Mbps down 1 Mbps up
ADSL2-RE Reach Extended	G.992.3 2003	8 Mbps down 1 Mbps up
SHDSL (updated 2003)	G.991.2 G.SHDSL 2003	5.6 Mbps up/down
VDSL	G.993.1 2004	55 Mbps down 15 Mbps up
VDSL2 -12 MHz long reach	G.993.2 2005	55 Mbps down 30 Mbps up
VDSL2 - 30 MHz Short reach	G.993.2 2005	100 Mbps up/down

# Examples USA, Canada, Europe, China

- Triple-Play with at least 3 HDTV channels + 5Mbps surfing + VoIP
- •30Mbps down, 3Mbps up

#### Japan, Korea, Taiwan

 Upgrade of existing 70Mbps services to 100Mbps sym

# Wireless Access Communications: An Overview

# **Cellular Wireless System Evolution**

- 1G (Early 1980s): Analog FDMA for voice communications, e.g., AMPS
- 2G (Early 1990s): Digital TDMA and narrowband CDMA for voice communications, e.g., started with GSM (mainly voice), IS-95 (cdmaOne), PDC,
  - 2.5G: Adding Packet Services: GPRS, EDGE
- 3G (Late 1990s): global standard introduced by International Mobile Telecommunications (IMT)-2000, e.g., Release 99 (Mar. 2000): UMTS/WCDMA, cdma2000, and TD-SCDMA
  - Global harmonization and roaming.
  - Wideband CDMA
- 3G Extensions (3GPP): IP Multi Media Subsystem (IMS), Inter-working with WLAN (I-WLAN)
  - High-Speed Packet Access (HSPA): HSDPA in Rel 5 (2002) and HSUPA in Rel 6 (2005) (D:down, U:up)
  - Rel-7 (2007): DL MIMO, IMS (IP Multimedia Subsystem), VoIP, gaming, push-to-talk.
- beyond 3G: evolutionary path beyond IMT-2000 (IMT-Advanced): targets 100Mbps (high mobility) and 1Gbps (low mobility, e.g., nomadic, local area):
  - 3GPP Long Term Evolution (LTE) & System Architecture Evolution (SAE): Adding Mobility towards I-WLAN and non-3GPP air interfaces
  - 3GPP2 Ultra Mobile Broadband (UMB)
- IEEE 802.16m (WiMAX) is also evolving towards 4G.

#### **Motivation**

- Spectrum:
  - Highly efficient radio technology
    - Increased spectrum efficiency for larger carriers and therefore increased capacity
    - Lower cost per bit and lower prices for the end user
  - Flexibility and scalability in deployment
    - Operating in various frequencies and bandwidths
    - Operators can start with smaller deployment and increase bandwidth as demand increase
    - Supports resource aggregation of radio band resources
- Architecture:
  - Architecture simplicity and reduced protocol complexity
  - reduced number of network elements
  - Simplified protocol stack & all IP network
    - Reduced latency
    - Easier network management
- Mobility: Seamless handover ensuring service continuity with legacy systems

#### **Faster & More Responsive**

#### 30-10msec latency for

- Improved user experience
- Fast VoIP call set-up
- Instantaneous web pages
- Streaming fast buffering
- Online mobile gaming

#### ■ 40-100Mbps for

- True high-speed mobile data
- Full-motion HD video anywhere
- Stream any content
- Mobile peer-2-peer & Web 2.0
- Quadruple play
- Faster email access
- Instantaneous web pages

### LTE history

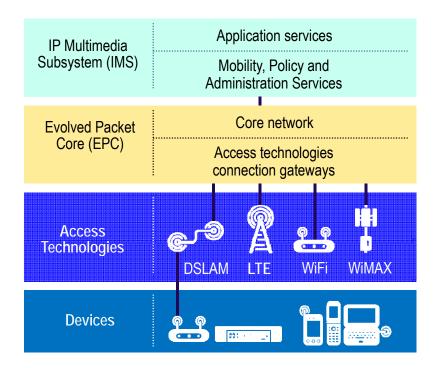
- November 2004: Kick-off in RAN LTE Toronto workshop
- November 2005: Decision on basic LTE radio access, DL: OFDM, UL: SC-FDMA
- June 2006: Close of LTE Study Item, Start of LTE Work Item
- Study Item: TR feasibility on system level (Dec 2004 June 2006)
  - TR 25.912: Feasibility Study for Evolved UTRA and UTRAN
  - TR 25.913: Requirements for E-UTRAN
  - TR 25.813: EUTRA and EUTRAN radio interface protocol aspects
  - TR 25.814: Physical layer aspects for E-UTRA
- March 2007: Approval of LTE, Stage 2 specification
- June 2007: Detailed standard work: Standardized in the form of Rel-8.
- January 2008: Spec finalized and approved.
- Target deployment in 2010.
- LTE-Advanced study phase in progress.

#### 3GPP LTE/SAE

- Long Term Evolution (LTE): work of RAN WG started in 2004 to create a new evolved RAN (E-UTRAN), and technology as an emerging broadband wireless access solution
- System Architecture Evolution (SAE): work of SA2 WG in parallel to LTE
  - to develop a framework for an evolution or migration of the 3GPP system to higher data rate, lower latency, packet-optimized system, support multiple RATs
  - Focus on creating an evolved packet core (EPC) including interfaces to selected external network entities

#### LTE/SAE Architecture Features

- New core network architecture to support the high-throughput/low latency LTE access system
- Simplified network architecture
- All IP (packet-switched) network
- Support mobility between multiple heterogeneous access system
  - 2G/3G, LTE, non 3GPP access systems, e.g., WLAN, WiMAX
  - Inter-3GPP handover (e.g., between GPRS and E-UTRAN):
  - Inter 3GPP/non-3GPP mobility



#### **3G LTE features**

- Very high data rates
  - Peak data rates: >100 Mbps (downlink)/50Mbps (uplink) in 20MHz
  - Improved cell-edge user throughput
- Very low latency: U-Plane transit time (<10ms); C-Plane dormant-to-active transition(<50ms)</li>
- Spectrum flexibility
  - Deployable in a wide-range of spectrum allocations of different sizes
  - Both paired and unpaired spectrum
  - Scalable bandwidths: 1.25-20 MHz
- Coverage: 5km (full performance), 5-30km (slight degradation), up to 100km, Up to 200 active users in a cell
   (5 MHz)
  - improved inner cell average data throughputs (MIMO needed)
  - improved "cell edge rates" and spectral efficiency (e.g. 2-4 x Rel6)
- Mobility: Optimized for 0-15 km/h, high performance for 15 -120 km/h, supported up to 350 km/h (500 km/h).
- less complexity in RAN (architecture, signaling procedures/protocols)
- economic usage of backhaul capacity; simplified and unified transport (IP)
- interworking with legacy 3G and cost effective migration
- support of available and future advanced services VoIP
- Enhanced multimedia broadcast multicast service (E-MBMS)
- Enhanced support for end-to-end QoS

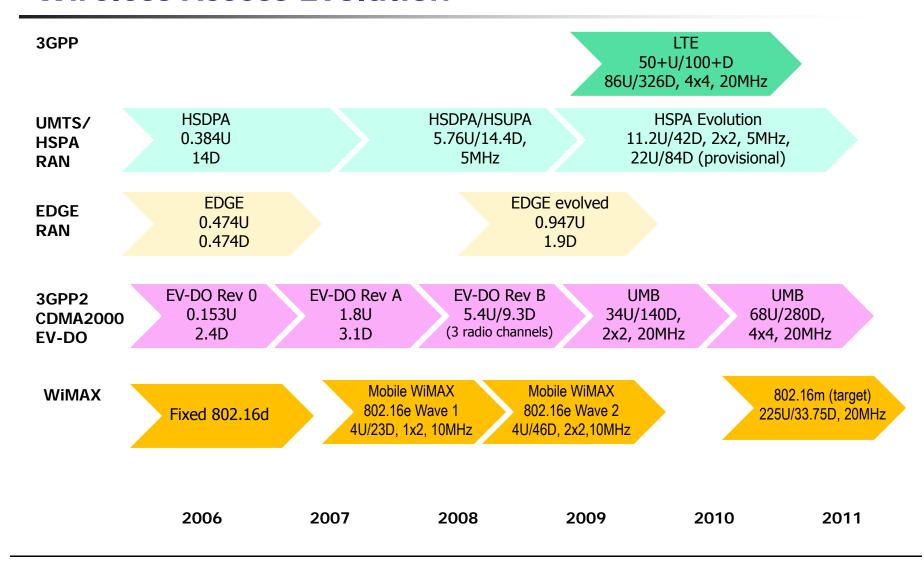
#### **IEEE 802.16 Evolution**

- 802.16 (December 2001): LOS fixed PMP operation in 10-66GHz, single carrier (SC) PHY
- 802.16a (2003): Non-LOS "last mile" fixed broadband access for 2-11GHz, OFDM/OFDMA
- 802.16c, system profile for the 10-66 GHz 802.16.
- 802.16d (2004): superseded 802.16 a/b/c, aligned with ETSI HIPERMAN
- 802.16e (2005): QoS, scalable OFDMA, vehicular mobility and asym link, ("Mobile WiMAX")
- 802.16f-2005 Management Information Base
- 802.16g-2007 Management Plane Procedures and Services
- 802.16k-2007 Bridging of 802.16 (an amendment to 802.1D)
- 802.16h Improved Coexistence Mechanisms for License-Exempt Operation
- 802.16i Mobile Management Information Base
- 802.16j Multihop Relay Specification
- 802.16Rev2 Consolidate 802.16-2004, 802.16e, 802.16f, 802.16g and possibly 802.16i.
- 802.16m (for approval by March 2010): Higher data rate (100Mb/s mobile, 1Gb/s fixed), cellular, macro and micro cell coverage, flexible BW (20 MHz or higher), reduced latency, and efficient security mechanism.

#### **3GPP2 Evolution**

- CDMA2000 1X (1999):CDMA
- CDMA2000 1xEV-DO (2000): CDMA/TDM, All-IP, Broadband Downloads
- EV-DO Rev. A (2004): OFDM introduced for multicast, Advanced QoS VoIP, Broadband Uploads,
- EV-DO Rev. B (2006): Multi-carrier Rev A (up to 5MHz \*), Improved Peak, Avg
   & Cell Edge Data Rates, lower delays, consistent high data rates
- EV-DO Rev. C/ IEEE 802.20 (2007): Ultra Mobile Broadband (UMB), FLASH-OFDM, OFDMA solution, New/Vacant Spectrum for wider bandwidth (5-20 MHz), FDD and TDD modes, MIMO and SDMA (enhanced capacity), higher Data Rates, Support for flat network architecture, multimode devices provide seamless migration

#### **Wireless Access Evolution**



# WCDMA, HSPA, LTE

DL(Mb/s) DL with MIMO	WCDMA 2	HSPA 14	eHSPA 42 (84 provisional)	LTE 100+ 172.8 (2x2) 326.4 (4x4)
UL(Mb/s)	0.384	5.7	11.52 (22 provisional)	50+ 57.6 (1x2)
BW(MHz)	5	5	5	1.25-20
DL Modulation MIMO option	QPSK	4/16QAM	4/16/64QAM up to 2x2	4/16/64QAM up to 4x4
UL modulation	π /2 BPSK	π /2 BPSK, QPSK	π/2BPSK,4/16QAM	4/16/64QAM MIMO
Access	CDMA	CDMA	CDMA	OFDMA DL SC-FDMA UL
3GPP release	99/4	5/6	7/8	8

HSPA evolution: HSPA+ or eHSPA

#### 802.16e, 3GPP LTE, 3GPP2 UMB

802.16e (Mobile WiMAX):

Duplexing: TDD

Bandwidth (MHz): 5, 7, 8.75, 10

UL access: OFDMA OFDMA OFDMA FFT in 5MHz/  $\Delta f$  (kHz) : 512/10.94 Modulation: 4/16/64QAM

Channel coding: CC, turbo, LDPC (opt)

MIMO features: SM, STC, BF

sTxD: Switched Tx diversity CDD: cyclic delay diversity CC: convolutional coding

subcarrier hopping and mapping are used.

3GPP LTE 3GPP2 UMB:

FDD and TDD FDD and TDD

1.4, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20 1.25, 2.5, 5, 10, 20 SC-OFDMA OFDMA and CDMA,

OFDMA OFDMA

512/15 512/9.6

4/16/64QAM 4/8PSK, 16/64QAM CC, turbo CC, turbo, LDPC

SM, STFC, sTxD, CDD SM, ST Tx diversity, SDMA, BF

# Broadband Satellite Access Communications: A Brief Overview

Satcom for multimedia services

Multiple-beam configuration: an example

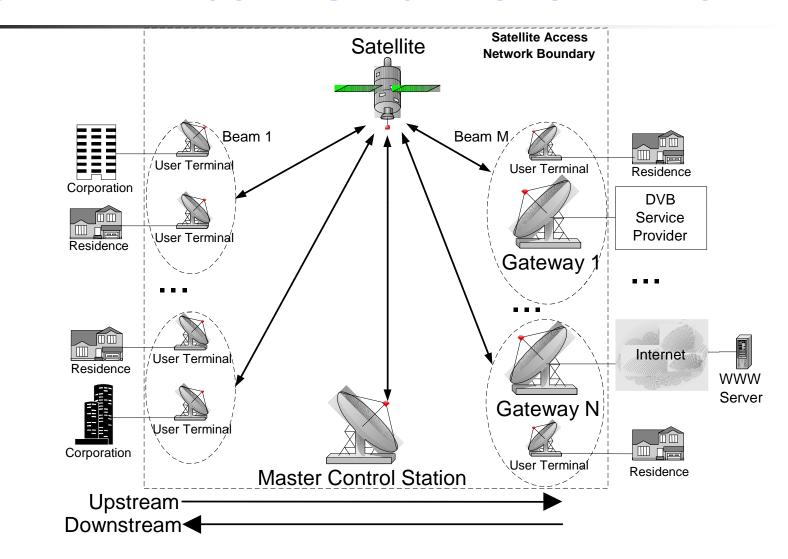
MF-TDMA

DVB-S, DVB-S2 & DVB-RCS

**ACM** 

performance

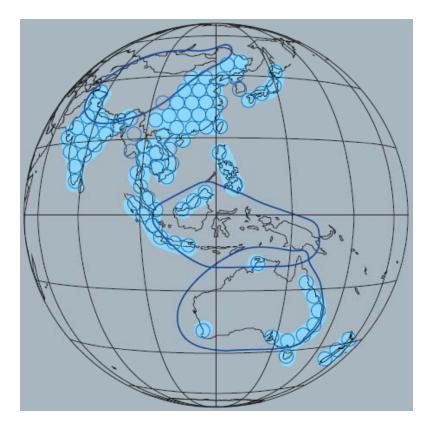
# SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK



# Example of a multi-beam system: IPSTAR-1

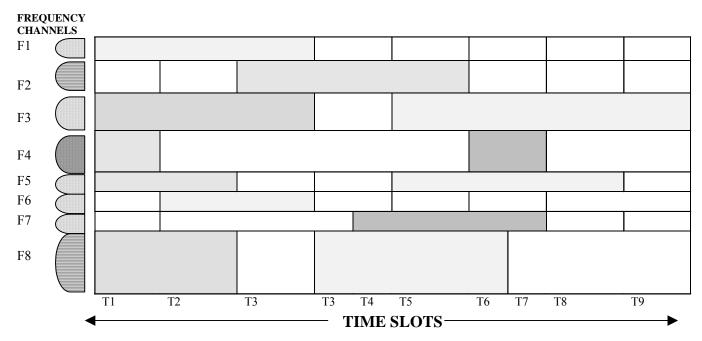
#### Beam Configuration:

- 84 Ku-Spot Beams
- 3 Ku-Shaped Beams
- 7 Ku-Wide Regional Broadcast Beams Capacity: Total 2-way 40+ Gbps calculated at clear sky conditions with dynamic BW management, using 1.20m antenna for spot, and 1.8m antenna for shaped beams.
- 1.1Gbps using 1.20m antenna for broadcast beams based on edge of service area with rain fade condition of 99.5% link availability



## Multi-frequency (MF)-TDMA

- TDMA provides flexibility, more capacity (than FDMA) at the costs of large Tx power & Tx/Rx gain (i.e., large antenna) requirements, which makes small earth-terminal applications unfeasible!
- For user (with small terminals), uplink uses combined FDMA/TDMA called Multifrequency (MF)-TDMA
  - A channel is defined by a time-frequency slot.

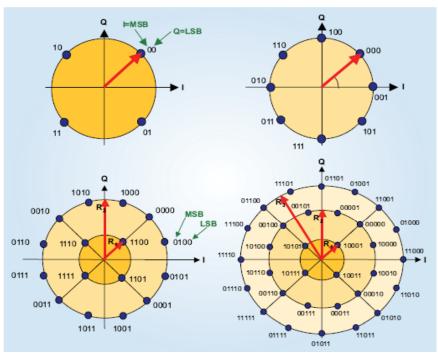


Flexible MF-TDMA Structure with variable-size frequency channels and time slots

#### Modulation schemes used in DVB-S2

QPSK, 8PSK for broadcast applications through non-linear satellite transponders driven near to saturation.

16APSK and 32APSK are more geared towards professional applications requiring semilinear transponders. The latter schemes trade-off power efficiency for much greater throughput.



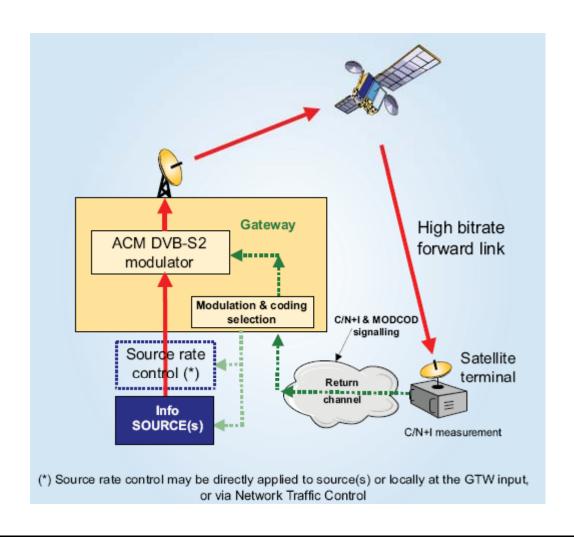
Modulation order M	Satellite channel losses (dB)	Satellite HPA OBO (dB)	Synchronization demodulator losses with worst-case phase noise mask (dB)	Total losses wrt to theoretical codec performance (dB)
4	0.25	0.4	0.2	0.85
8	0.3	0.4	0.3	1.0
16	0.45	1.15	0.5	2.1
32	0.9	2.0	0.7	3.6

# DVB-S2 capacity for broadcast applications

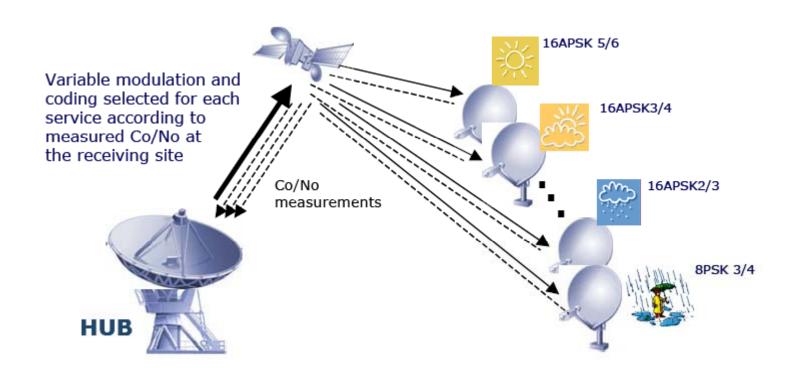
- QPSK, 8PSK for broadcast applications through non-linear satellite transponders driven near to saturation.
- Bandwidth and Roll-off: For tighter bandwith shaping, DVB-S2 adds roll-off factors of  $\alpha$ =0.25 and 0.20 to the DVB-S traditional  $\alpha$ =0.35

Satellite EIRP (dBW)	51		53.7	
System	DVB-S	DVB-S2	DVB-S	DVB-S2
Modulation & Coding	QPSK 2/3	QPSK 3/4	QPSK 7/8	8PSK 2/3
Symbol Rate (Mbaud)	27.5 (α = 0.35)	30.9 (α = 0.2)	27.5 (α = 0.35)	29.7 (α = 0.25)
C/N (in 27.5MHz) (dB)	5.1	5.1	7.8	7.8
Useful Bitrate (Mbit/s)	33.8	46 (gain = 36%)	44.4	58.8 (gain = 32%)
Number of SDTV Programmes	7 MPEG-2 15 AVC	10 MPEG-2 21 AVC	10 MPEG-2 20 AVC	13 MPEG-2 26 AVC
Number of HDTV Programmes	1-2 MPEG-2 3-4 AVC	2 MPEG-2 5 AVC	2 MPEG-2 5 AVC	3 MPEG-2 6 AVC

#### **DVB-S2 ACM link**



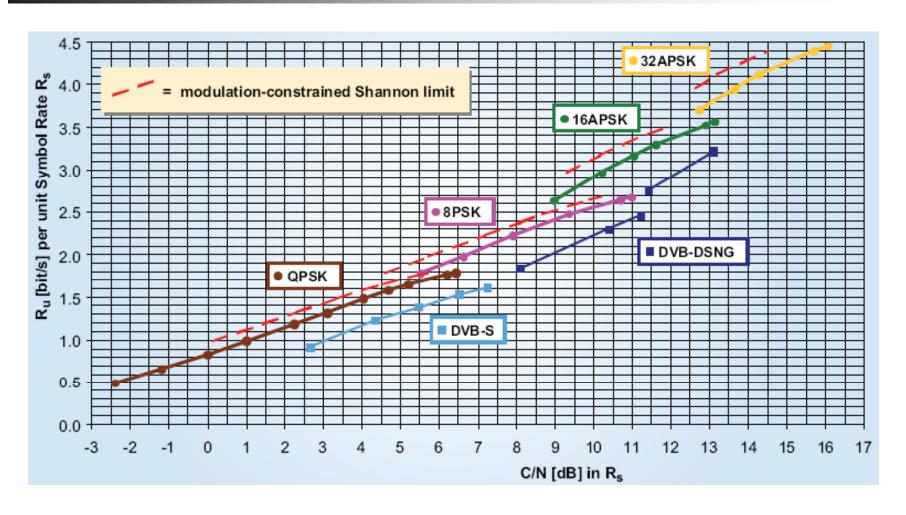
# **ACM** examples



# DVB-S & DVB-S2: Tx performance

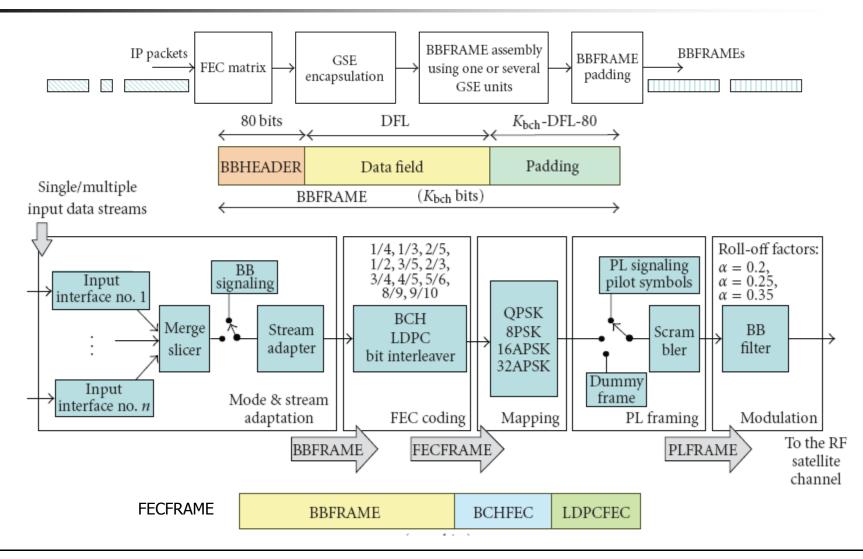
- DVB-S:
  - QPSK modulation with channel coding and error correction.
  - Further of 8PSK and 16QAM additions for DVB-DSNG
- DVB-S2 is designed to benefit from technology advances for more applications:
  - delivery of advanced video and audio services, e.g. Microsoft Windows Media 9, MPEG-4, HDTV.
  - an increased range of applications by combining the functionality of DVB-S (for direct-to-home applications), and DVB-DSNG (for professional applications)
- DVB-S2:
  - QPSK and 8PSK intended for broadcast applications in non-linear (close to saturation) satellite transponders
  - 16APSK and 32APSK: higher bandwidth efficiency @ higher C/N.
  - Forward Error Correction: concatenation of BCH (outer) and LDPC (inner).
  - frame-by-frame Adaptive Coding and Modulation (ACM)
- 30% greater efficiency than DVB-S on average by using adaptive coding /modulation (CCM, VCM, ACM) to maximize the usage of value satellite transponder resources:
  - Bandwidth and Roll-off: 0.35 (DVB-S), 0.25, 0.20
  - Forward Error Correction: concatenation of BCH with LDPC (inner coding): performance, 0.7dB from the Shannon limit. Code rates can be changed dynamically, on a frame by frame basis.
- spectral efficiencies: 0.5 b/s/Hz 4.5b/s/Hz providing high flexibility
- Operating C/N range: from -2dB (with QPSK) to +16dB (with 32APSK).
- optional "pilots" to help carrier recovery at low C/N.

# spectrum efficiency vs Required C/N (AWGN channel, ideal demodulation)



From: A. Morello and V. Mignone, DVB-S2— ready for lift off", EBU Technical Review – October 2004

# **DVB-S2** architecture



## **DVB-RCS**

- air interface specification for 2-way satellite broadband VSAT (ETSI as EN 301 790)
- highly dynamic, demand-assigned transmission capacity to residential and commercial, institutional users: up to 20 Mbit/s (outbound), and 5 Mbit/s (inbound) for each terminal
- DVB-RCS specification provides support for mobile and nomadic terminals as well as enhanced support for direct terminal-to-terminal (mesh) connectivity, including
  - live handovers between satellite spot-beams,
  - spread-spectrum features to meet regulatory constraints for mobile terminals,
  - continuous-carrier transmission for terminals with high traffic aggregation
  - link-layer FEC based on Raptor or Reed-Solomon codes, used as a countermeasure against shadowing and blocking of the satellite link.
- Turbo coding can be used for small user terminals in replacing convolutional and Reed Solomon coding
- Adaptive coding can support rain mitigation techniques in addition to different QoS requirements (initially for return path, but eventually also for forward path)

# **THANK YOU & QUESTIONS?**