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Cellular Systems

Broadcast channel

Centralized broadcast channel Distributed broadcast channel





Centralized broadcast channel

 Fixed access point (<u>Cellular systems</u>, WLAN, WMAN ...)



Centralized broadcast channel

 Cellular coverage: The territory coverage is obtained by Base Stations–BS (or Access Points) that provide radio access (Radio Access Network, RAN) to Mobile Stations–MS within a service area called



Distributed broadcast channel

 Ad-hoc wireless networks (mesh networks, sensor networks)





Wired-Wireless networks: Main differences

- Shared transmission medium
 - Multiple access mechanisms
 - → Radio resource reuse



Wired-Wireless networks: Main differences

- Radio channel
 - > Variable channel characteristics
 - Advanced modulation and coding schemes



TDM (Time Division Multiplexing)

- **Each source/sender can use only a single time slot every** *N*
- Hence we define a *frame structure*, where the frame is constituted by N consecutive time slots
- If we give a number to each time slot, each source/sender is associated to a time-slot number, and it can transmit only *inside* such slot



Centralized broadcast channel

- The Base Station is vital to enforce synchronization among mobile terminals
- Its transmissions are used to synchronize all transmissions (e.g., sending a signal to say when the frame starts)





Centralized broadcast channel

- Timing Advance:
 - If each node knows the propagation delay towards the BS, it can anticipate its transmission!
 - Propagation delay τ must be estimated (it can be time-varying)
 - Estimation error is still possible: time guards are reduced, but they are not null!
 - Technique used in GSM



Cellular (Mobile) Systems



MS = Mobile Station BS = Base Station Uplink = from the MS to the BS Downlink = from the BS to the MS

Radio Access



 The radio access problem is related to the way in which the users in the cell share radio resources

- **downlink:**
 - multiplexing is used

uplink:

<u>multiple access</u> is used

Radio Access



- 2nd generation:
 GSM (Europe)
 D-AMPS (US)

- 1st generation systems:
 - TACS (Europe) AMPS (US)
 - FDM/FDMA (downlink/uplink)
 - 3rd generation: UMTS CDM/CDMA
- multi-carrier TDM/TDMA _ 4th generat
 - 4th generation LTE OFDMA/SC-FDMA
 - (Single Carrier FDMA)

Frequency reuse

- Available frequencies are <u>not</u> sufficient for all users
- Solution: we reuse the same frequency in different cells (*spatial reuse*)
- **Spatial reuse causes** *co-channel interference*
- Spatial reuse is made possible if cells are sufficiently far apart so that interference can be small/tolerable (in order to guarantee a good quality of the transmitted signal)

Spatial reuse

- Interference is therefore a fundamental, intrinsic feature of cellular systems
- Usually we assume that system quality is good when the ratio between the signal power and the interference power, named *SIR* (Signal-to-Interference Ratio) is higher than a predefined threshold, SIR_{min}



- All available frequencies are divided into K groups
- We assign a group to each cell in order to maximize the distance between 2 cells that use the same group of frequencies
- Frequency reuse efficiency = 1/K
- Possible K values: K=1,3,4,7,9,12,13, ...



- If we know/if we set the SIR_{min} value tolerated by the system, then we can estimate the maximal efficiency of the system, i.e., the minimum K value that can be used
- Received power:

$$P_r = P_t \cdot G \cdot d^{-\eta}$$

 Hip.: same antennas (G) and same tx power (P_t)

$$SIR = \frac{P_t \cdot G \cdot d^{-\eta}}{\sum_{i=1}^6 P_t \cdot G \cdot d_i^{-\eta}} = \frac{d^{-\eta}}{\sum_{i=1}^6 d_i^{-\eta}}$$

- Worst case: d = r
- Approximation: $d_i = D$

$$SIR \cong \frac{r^{-\eta}}{6D^{-\eta}} = \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1}{R}\right)^{-\eta}$$



- The SIR depends <u>exclusively</u> on the reuse ratio *R=D/r* (and on η) but not on the absolute transmission power or on the cell dimension
- If we fix SIR_{min} we can compute R_{min}
- Then, if \mathbf{R}_{\min} is known, we can obtain K since we can observe that: $K = \frac{R^2}{K}$
- and therefore:

$$K_{\min} = \frac{(6SIR)^{2/\eta}}{3}$$

Exercise

 Let us dimension a cluster for a cellular system that tolerates SIR_{min} = 18 dB, considering the case where the path-loss exponent η is equal to 3.9

$$K_{\min} = \frac{(6SIR)^{2/\eta}}{3} = \frac{(6 \cdot 63.1)^{2/3.9}}{3} = 6.99$$

Summary

dB

Logarithmic scale

If we use absolute powers

$$P_{dB} = 10 \log_{10} P$$

 $P = 10^{P_{dB}/10}$

Summary

- The product in linear scale corresponds to a sum using dB
- **The** *ratio* corresponds to a *difference* in dB

$$G \cdot P \to G_{dB} + P_{dB}$$
$$P / A \to P_{dB} - A_{dB}$$

Summary

Notable values

 $2 \rightarrow 3dB \qquad 8 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4.77dB \qquad 9 \rightarrow 4 = 2 \cdot 2 \rightarrow 3 + 3 = 6dB \qquad 10 - 100 - 5 \rightarrow 7dB \qquad 100 - 1000$

 $8 \rightarrow 9dB$ $9 \rightarrow 9.54dB$ $10 \rightarrow 10dB$ $100 \rightarrow 20dB$ $1000 \rightarrow 30dB$