

# EE360: Lecture 5 Outline

## Cellular Systems

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- **Announcements**
  - Project proposals due Feb. 1 (1 week)
  - Makeup lecture Feb 2, 5-6:15, Gates
- **Multiuser OFDM and OFDM/CDMA**
- **Cellular System Overview**
- **Design Considerations**
- **Standards**
- **Cellular System Capacity**
- **MIMO in Cellular**
- **Multiuser Detection in Cellular**

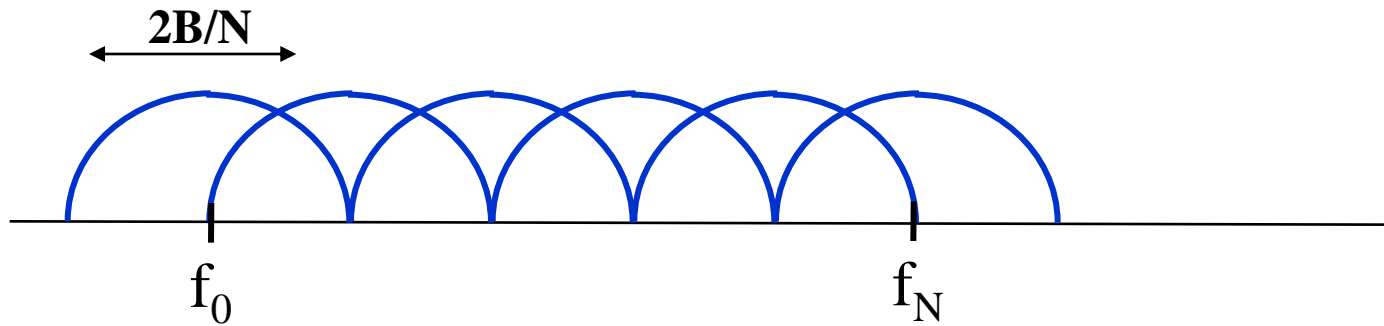
# Multiuser OFDM

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- MCM/OFDM divides a wideband channel into narrowband subchannels to mitigate ISI
- In multiuser systems these subchannels can be allocated among different users
  - Orthogonal allocation: Multiuser OFDM
  - Semiorthogonal allocation: Multicarrier CDMA
- Adaptive techniques increase the spectral efficiency of the subchannels.
- Spatial techniques help to mitigate interference between users

# OFDM

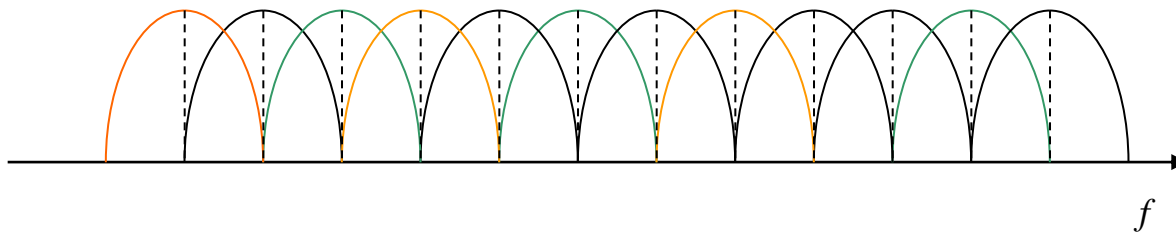
- OFDM overlaps substreams
  - Substreams separated in receiver
  - Minimum substream separation is  $B/N$ , total BW is  $B$



- Efficient IFFT structure at transmitter
  - Similar FFT structure at receiver
- Subcarrier orthogonality must be preserved
  - Impaired by timing jitter, frequency offset, and fading.

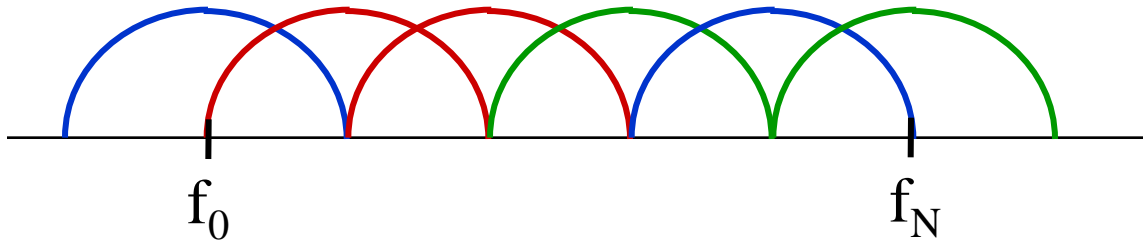
# OFDM-FDMA (a.k.a. OFDMA)

- Used by the CATV community
  - Used to send upstream data from subscriber to cable head-end.
- Assigns a subset of available carriers to each user



# Adaptive OFDM-FDMA

- Different subcarriers assigned to different users
  - Assignment can be orthogonal or semiorthogonal



- The fading on each individual subchannel is independent from user to user
- Adaptive resource allocation gives each their “best” subchannels and adapts optimally to these channels
- Multiple antennas reduces interference when multiple users are assigned the same subchannels

# Adaptive Resource Allocation

## Orthogonal Subcarrier Allocation

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- Degrees of freedom
  - Subcarrier allocation
  - Power
  - Rate
  - Coding
  - BER
- Optimization goals (subject to power constraint):
  - Maximize the sum of average user rates
  - Find all possible average rate vectors (“capacity” region)
  - Find average rate vectors with minimum rate constraints
  - Minimize power for some average rate vector
  - Minimize outage probability for some constant rate vector.

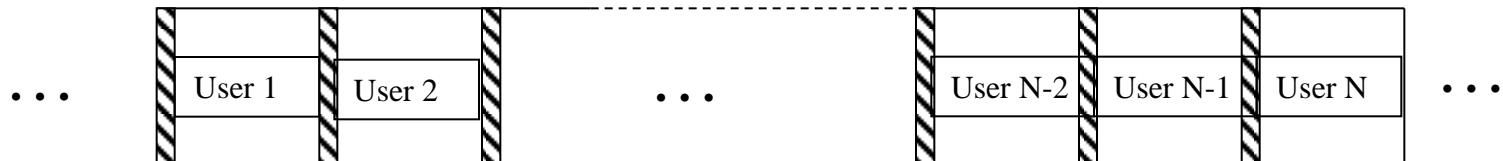
# OFDM-TDMA

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- Each user sequentially sends one or more OFDM symbols per frame
- A single OFDM-TDMA frame:



# Multiuser OFDM with Multiple Antennas

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- Multiple antennas at the transmitter and receiver can greatly increase channel capacity
- Multiple antennas also used for spatial multiple access:
  - Users separated by spatial signatures (versus CDMA time signatures)
  - Spatial signatures are typically not orthogonal
  - May require interference reduction (MUD, cancellation, etc.)
- Methods of spatial multiple access
  - Singular value decomposition
  - Space-time equalization
  - Beamsteering
- OFDM required to remove ISI
  - ISI degrades spatial signatures and interference mitigation



# CDMA-based schemes

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- Can combine concepts of CDMA and OFDM
- Reap the benefits of both techniques
- In 1993, three slightly different schemes were independently proposed:
  - MC-CDMA (Yee, Linnartz, Fettweis, and others)
  - Multicarrier DS-CDMA (DaSilva and Sousa)
  - MT-CDMA (Vandendorpe)

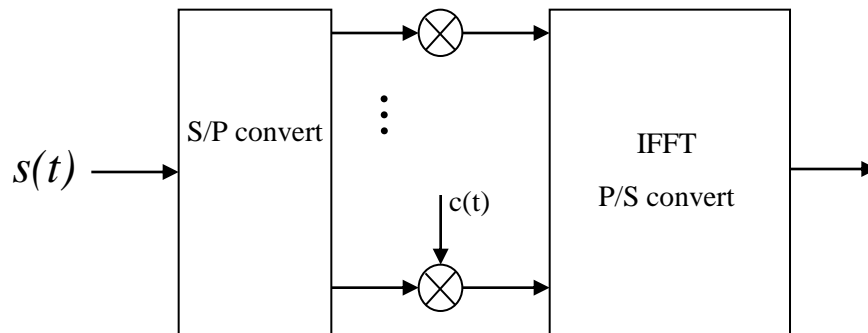
# Multicarrier CDMA

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- Multicarrier CDMA combines OFDM and CDMA
- Idea is to use DSSS to spread a narrowband signal and then send each chip over a different subcarrier
  - DSSS time operations converted to frequency domain
- Greatly reduces complexity of SS system
  - FFT/IFFT replace synchronization and despreading
- More spectrally efficient than CDMA due to the overlapped subcarriers in OFDM
- Multiple users assigned different spreading codes
  - Similar interference properties as in CDMA

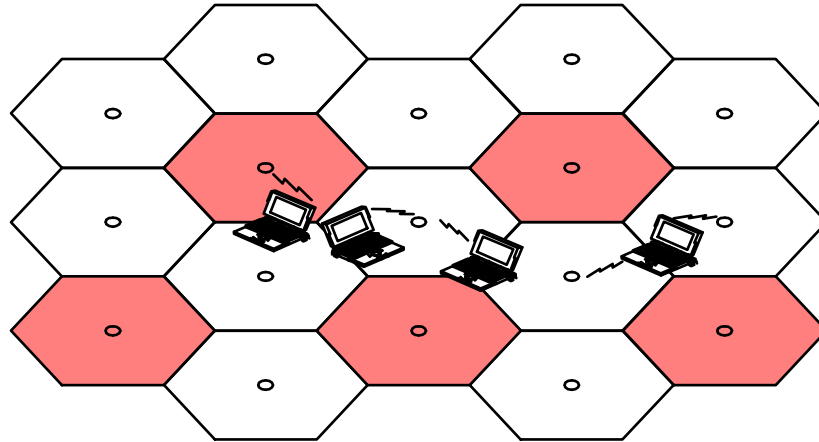
# Multicarrier DS-CDMA

- The data is serial-to-parallel converted.
- Symbols on each branch spread in time.
- Spread signals transmitted via OFDM
- Get spreading in both time and frequency



# Cellular System Overview

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- Frequencies (or time slots or codes) are reused at spatially-separated locations  $\Rightarrow$  exploits power falloff with distance.
- Base stations perform centralized control functions (call setup, handoff, routing, etc.)
- Best efficiency obtained with minimum reuse distance
  - System capacity is interference-limited.

# Basic Design Considerations

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- Spectral Sharing
  - TD,CD or hybrid (TD/FD)
  - Frequency reuse
- Reuse Distance
  - Distance between cells using the same frequency, timeslot, or code
  - Smaller reuse distance packs more users into a given area, but also increases co-channel interference
- Cell radius
  - Decreasing the cell size increases system capacity, but complicates routing and handoff
- Resource allocation: power, BW, etc.

# 1-2 G Cellular Design: Voice Centric

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- Cellular *coverage* is designed for voice service
  - Area outage, e.g.  $< 10\%$  or  $< 5\%$ .
  - Minimal, but equal, service everywhere.
- Cellular *systems* are designed for voice
  - 20 ms framing structure
  - Strong FEC, interleaving and decoding delays.
- Spectral Efficiency
  - around 0.04-0.07 bps/Hz/sector
  - comparable for TDMA and CDMA

# IS-54/IS-136 (TD)

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- FDD separates uplink and downlink.
- Timeslots allocated between different cells.
  - FDD separates uplink and downlink.
- One of the US standards for digital cellular
  - IS-54 in 900 MHz (cellular) band.
  - IS-136 in 2 GHz (PCS) band.
- IS-54 compatible with US analog system.
  - Same frequencies and reuse plan.

# GSM (TD with FH)

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- FDD separates uplink and downlink.
- Access is combination of FD, TD, and slow FH
  - Total BW divided into 200Khz channels.
  - Channels reused in cells based on signal and interference measurements.
  - All signals modulated with a FH code.
    - FH codes within a cell are orthogonal.
    - FH codes in different cells are semi-orthogonal
  - FH mitigates frequency-selective fading via coding.
  - FH averages interference via the pseudorandom hop pattern



# IS-95 (CDMA)

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- Each user assigned a unique DS spreading code
  - Orthogonal codes on the downlink
  - Semiorthogonal codes on the uplink
- Code is reused in every cell
  - No frequency planning needed
  - Allows for soft handoff if code not in use in neighboring cell
- Power control required due to near-far problem
  - Increases interference power of boundary mobiles.

# 3G Cellular Design:

## Voice and Data

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- Goal (early 90s): A single worldwide air interface
  - Yeah, right
- Bursty Data => Packet Transmission
  - Simultaneous with circuit voice transmission
- Need to “widen the data pipe”:
  - 384 Kbps outdoors, 1 Mbps indoors.
- Need to provide QOS
  - Evolve from best effort to statistical or “guaranteed”
- Adaptive Techniques
  - Rate (spreading, modulation/coding), power, resources, signature sequences, space-time processing, MIMO

# 3G GSM-Based Systems

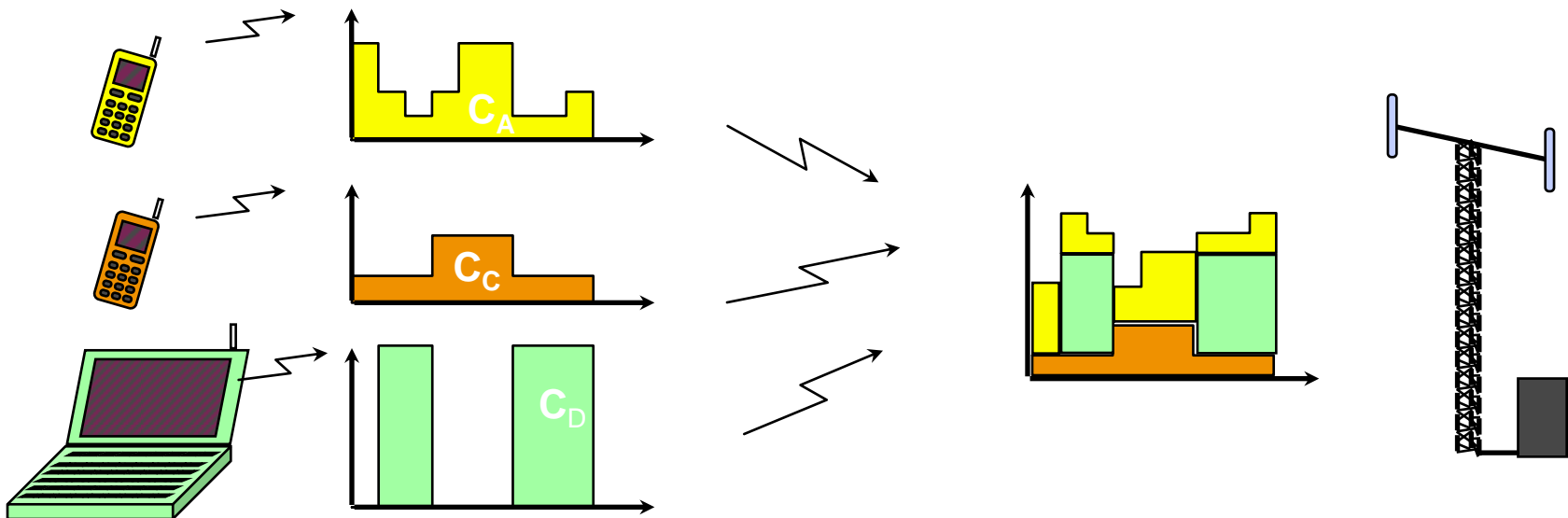
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- **EDGE: Packet data with adaptive modulation and coding**
- **8-PSK/GMSK at 271 ksps supports 9.02 to 59.2 kbps per time slot with up to 8 time-slots**
- **Supports peak rates over 384 kbps**
- **IP centric for both voice and data**

# 3G CDMA Approaches

## W-CDMA and cdma2000

- cdma2000 uses a multicarrier overlay for IS-95 compatibility
- WCDMA designed for evolution of GSM systems
  - Current 3G services based on WCDMA
  - Voice, streaming, high-speed data
  - Multirate service via variable *power* and *spreading*
  - Different services can be mixed on a single code for a user

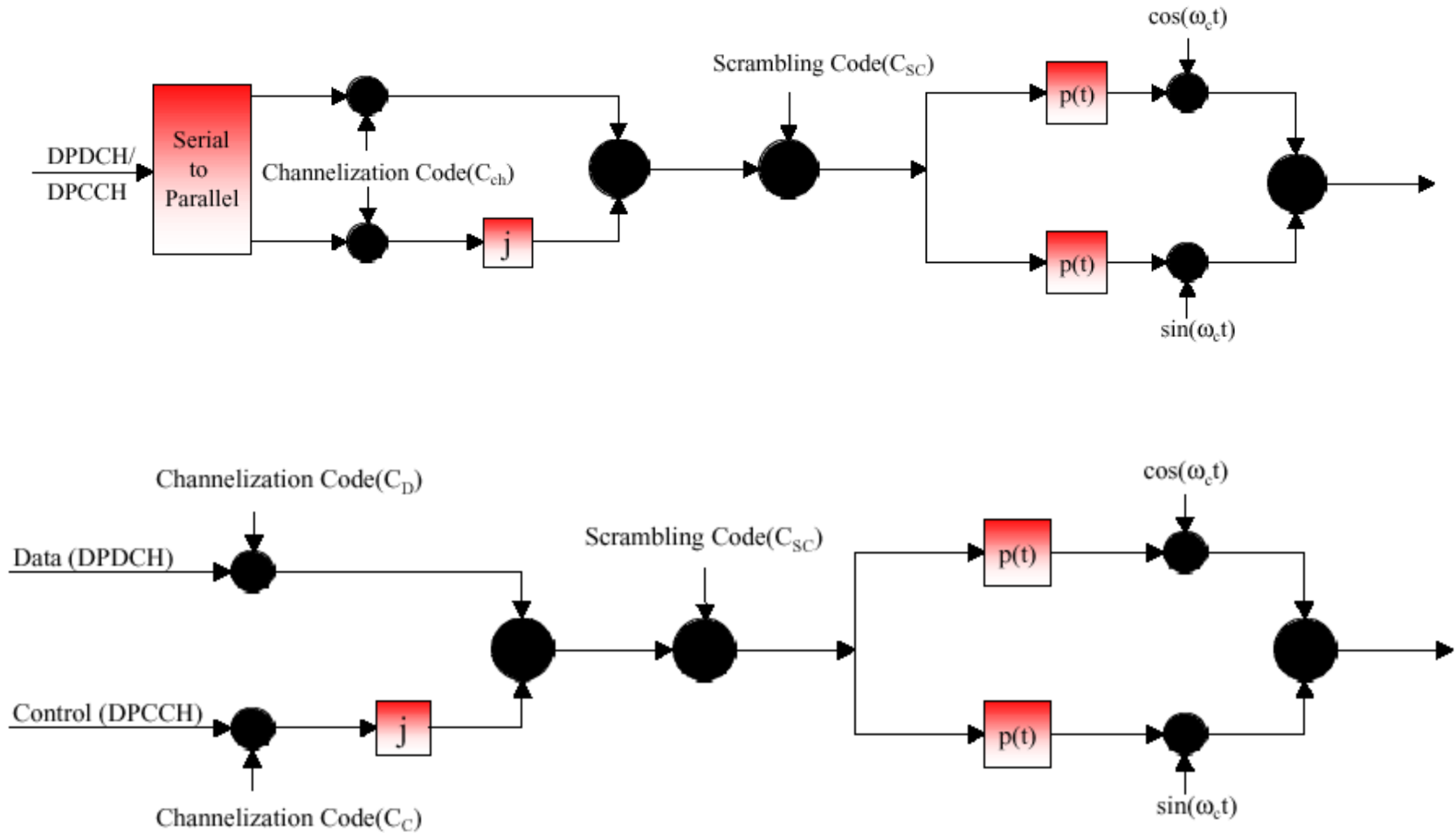


# Features of WCDMA

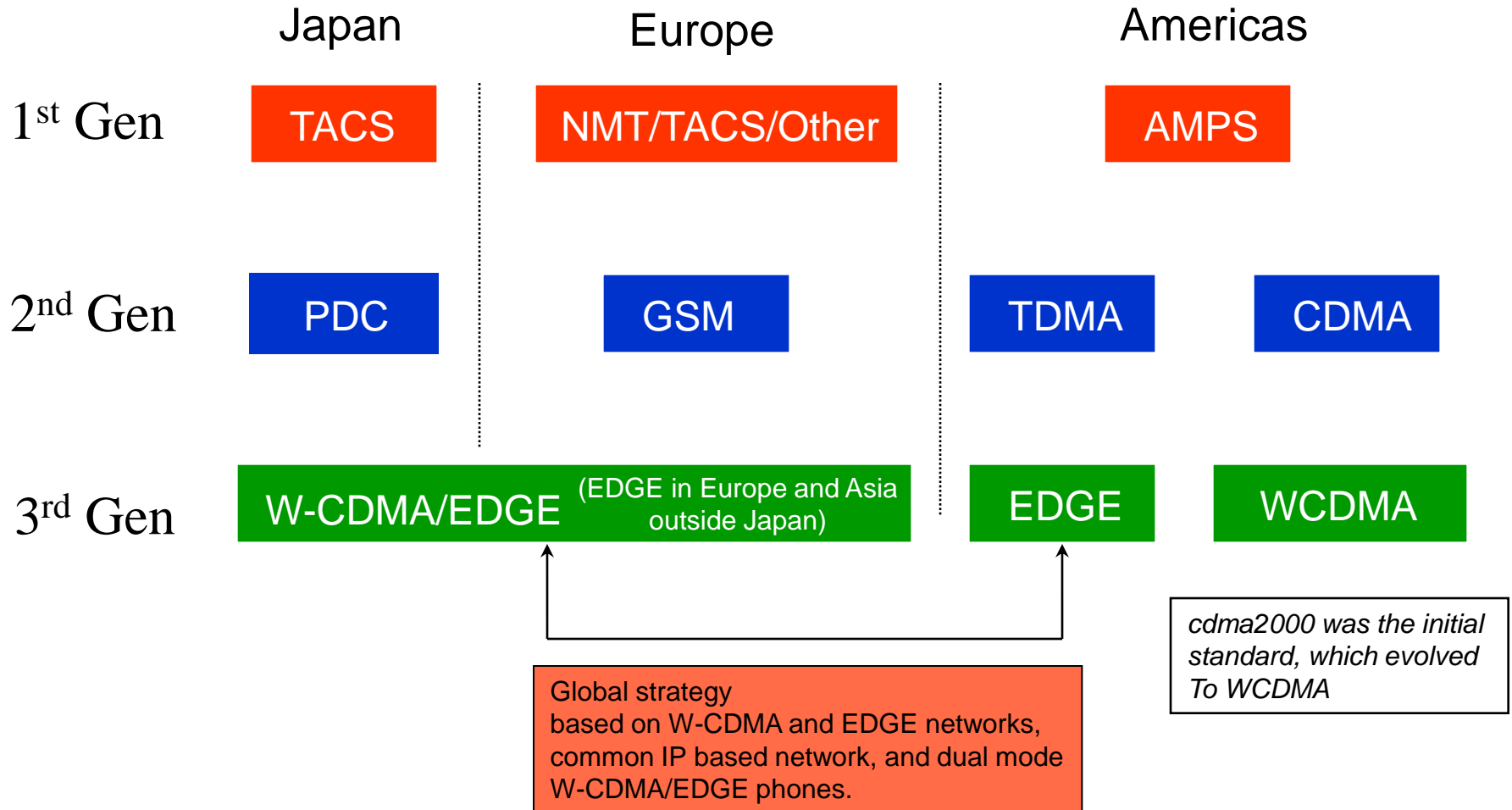
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Bandwidth	5, 10, 20 MHz
Spreading codes	Orthogonal variable spreading factor (OVSF) SF: 4-256
Scrambling codes	DL- Gold sequences. (len-18) UL- Gold/Kasami sequences (len-41)
Data Modulation	DL - QPSK UL - BPSK
Data rates	144 kbps, 384 kbps, 2 Mbps
Duplexing	FDD

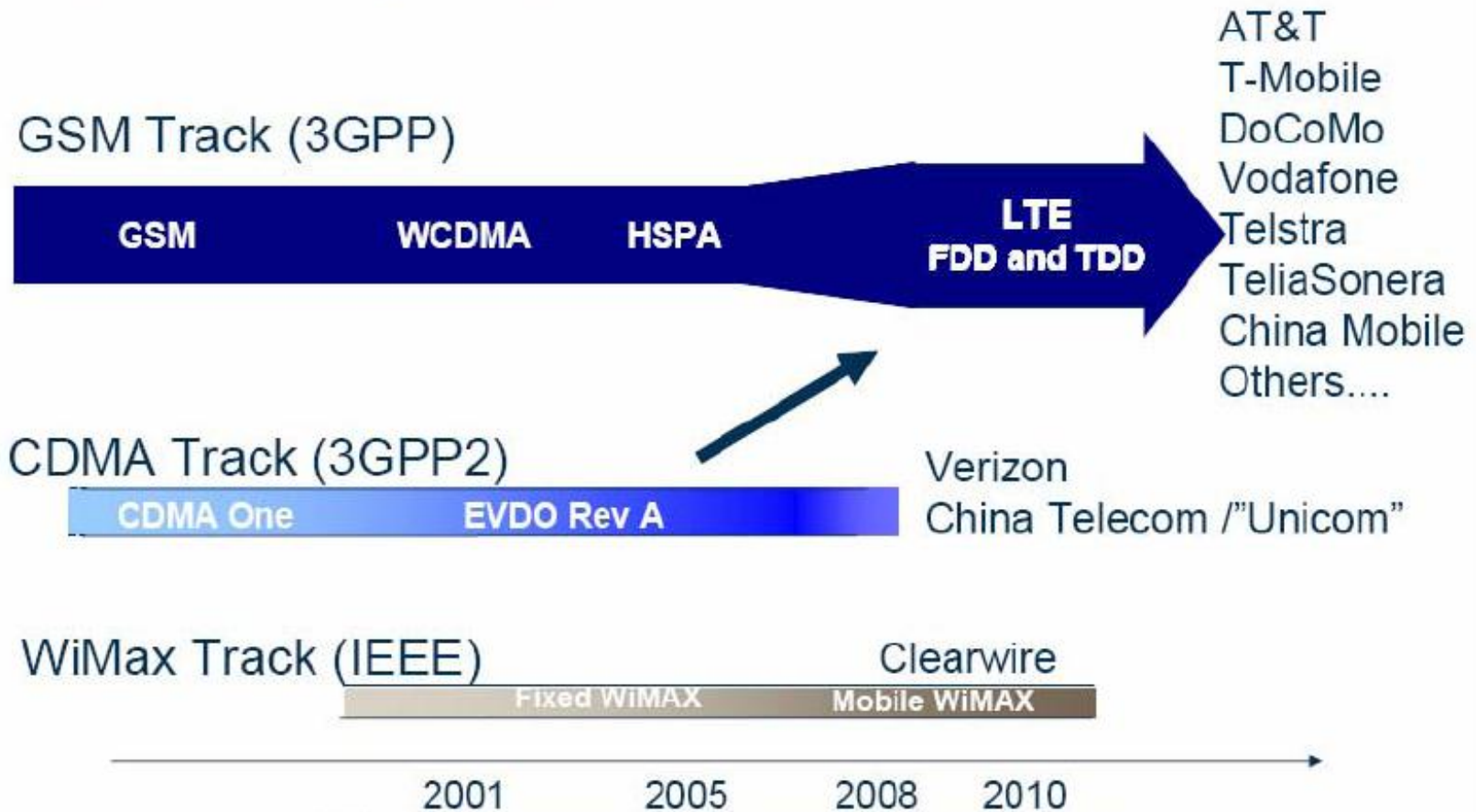
# UL and DL Spreading



# Cellular Evolution: 1G-3G



# 4G Evolution



**LTE is the Global standard for next generation**



# Long-Term Evolution (LTE)

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- OFDM/MIMO
- Much higher data rates (50-100 Mbps)
- Greater spectral efficiency (bits/s/Hz)
- Flexible use of up to 100 MHz of spectrum
- Low packet latency (<5ms).
- Increased system capacity
- Reduced cost-per-bit
- Support for multimedia

# Improving Performance

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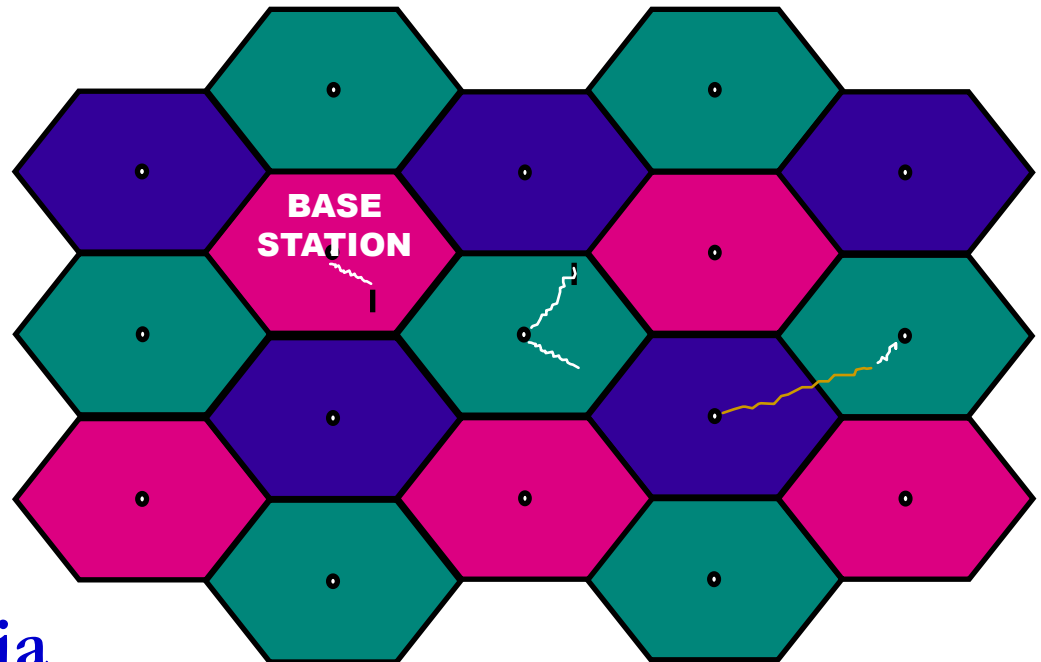
- **Dynamic resource allocation**
  - Dynamic time/freq/code allocation
  - Power control
- **Antenna and MIMO techniques**
  - Sectorization and smart antennas
  - Space-time processing
  - Diversity/interference cancellation tradeoffs
- **Interference cancellation**
  - Multiuser detection

# Dynamic Resource Allocation

*Allocate resources as user and network conditions change*

- Resources:

- Channels
- Bandwidth
- Power
- Rate
- Base stations
- Access

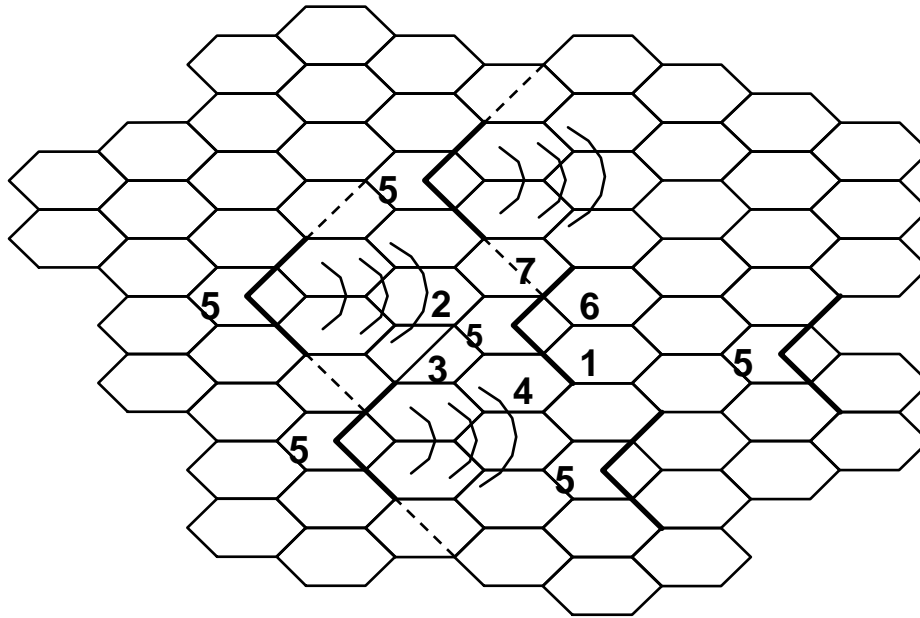


- Optimization criteria

- Minimize blocking (voice only systems)
- Maximize number of users (multiple classes)
- Maximize “revenue”
  - Subject to some minimum performance for each user

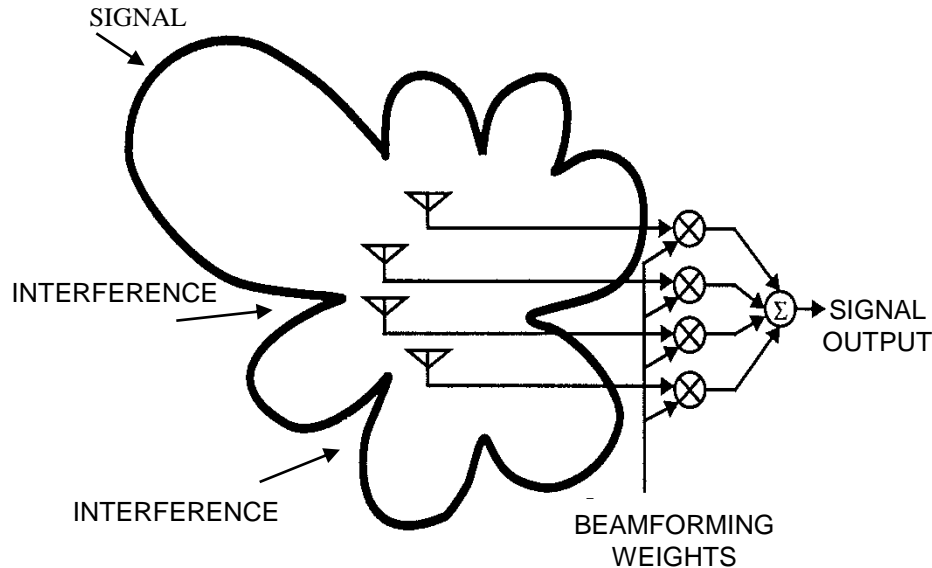
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# Sectorization and Smart Antennas



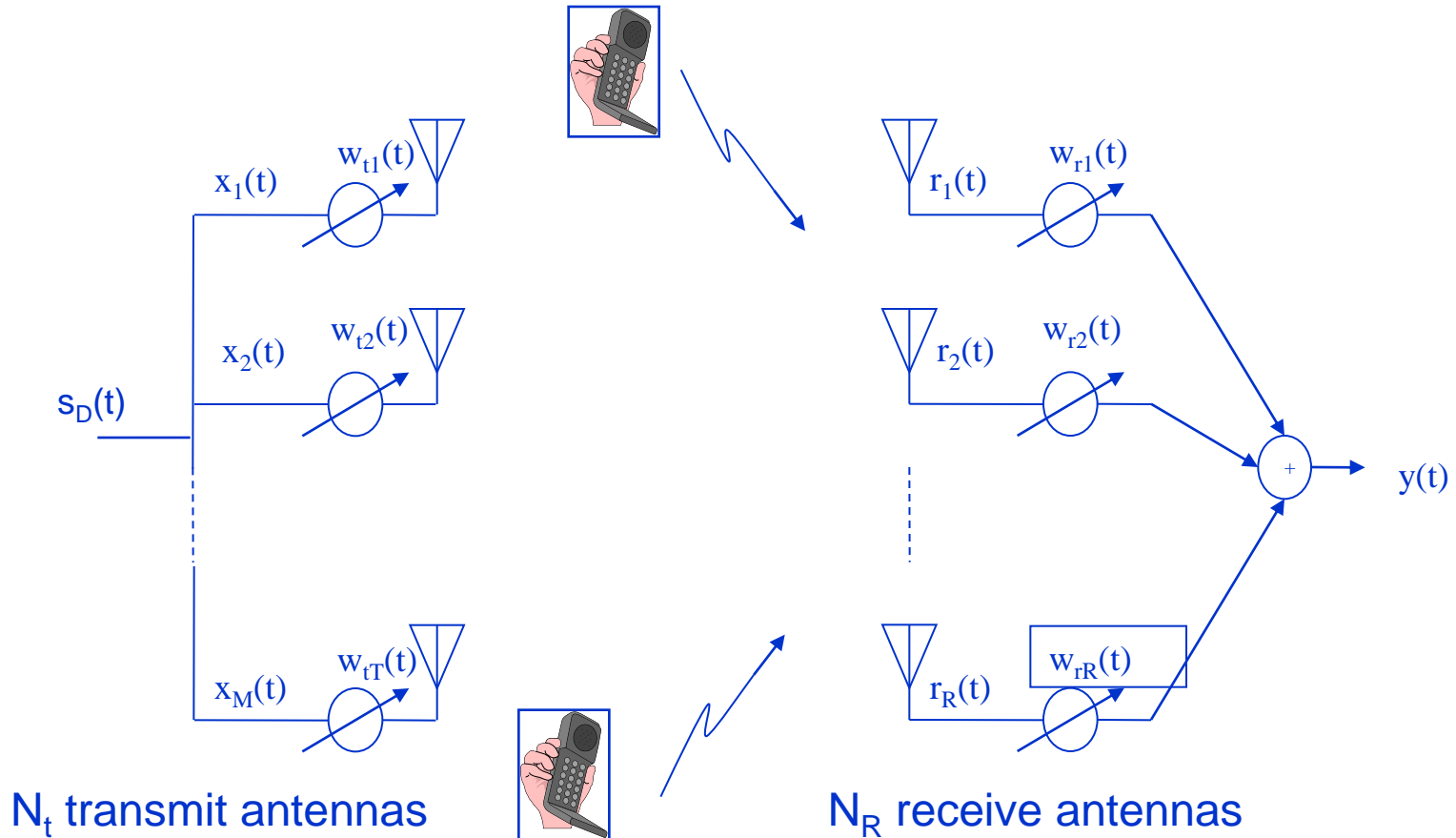
- $120^{\circ}$  sectoring reduces interference by one third
- Requires base station handoff between sectors
- Capacity increase commensurate with shrinking cell size
- Smart antennas typically combine sectorization with an intelligent choice of sectors

# Beam Steering



- Beamforming weights used to place nulls in up to  $N_R$  directions
  - Can also enhance gain in direction of desired signal
  - Requires AOA information for signal and interferers

# Diversity vs. Interference Cancellation



*Romero and Goldsmith: Performance comparison of MRC and IC Under transmit diversity, IEEE Trans. Wireless Comm., May 2009*

# Diversity/IC Tradeoffs

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- $N_R$  antennas at the RX provide  $N_R$ -fold diversity gain in fading
  - Get  $N_T N_R$  diversity gain in MIMO system
- Can also be used to null out  $N_R$  interferers via beam-steering
  - Beam steering at TX reduces interference at RX
- Antennas can be divided between diversity combining and interference cancellation
- Can determine optimal antenna array processing to minimize outage probability

# Diversity Combining Techniques

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- MRC diversity achieves maximum SNR in fading channels.
- MRC is suboptimal for maximizing SINR in channels with fading and interference
- **Optimal Combining (OC)** maximizes SINR in both fading and interference
  - Requires knowledge of all desired and interferer channel gains at each antenna



# SIR Distribution and $P_{\text{out}}$

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- Distribution of  $\gamma$  obtained using similar analysis as MRC based on MGF techniques.
- Leads to closed-form expression for  $P_{\text{out}}$ .
  - Similar in form to that for MRC
- For  $L > N$ , OC with equal average interference powers achieves the same performance as MRC with  $N - 1$  fewer interferers.

# Performance Analysis for IC

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- Assume that  $N$  antennas perfectly cancel  $N-1$  strongest interferers
  - General fading assumed for desired signal
  - Rayleigh fading assumed for interferers
- Performance impacted by remaining interferers and noise
  - Distribution of the residual interference dictated by order statistics

# SINR and Outage Probability

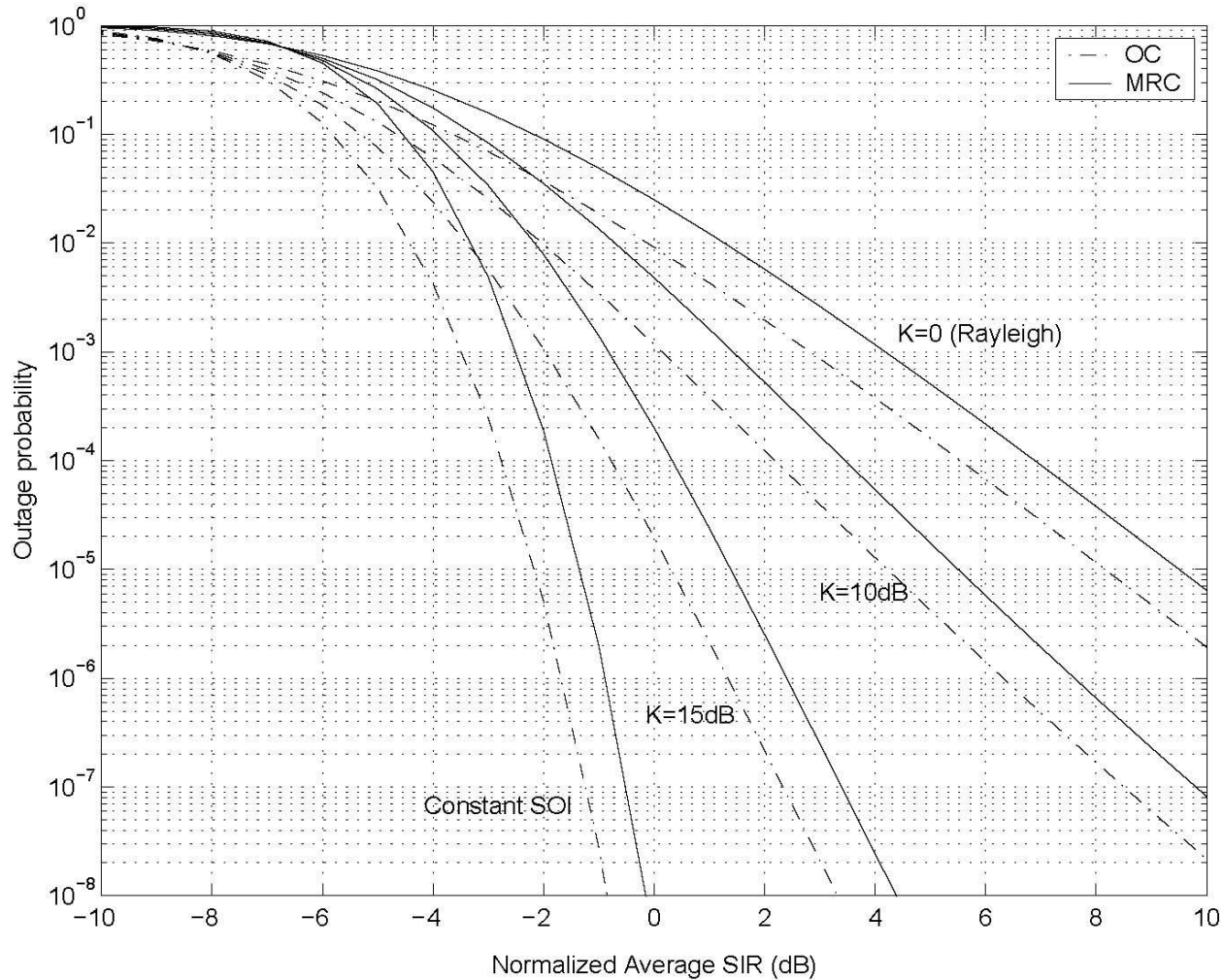
- The MGF for the interference can be computed in closed form
  - pdf is obtained from MGF by differentiation
- Can express outage probability in terms of desired signal and interference as

$$P_{out} |_{Y=y} = P(X < \beta(y + \sigma^2)) = 1 - e^{-\beta(y + \sigma^2)/P_s}$$

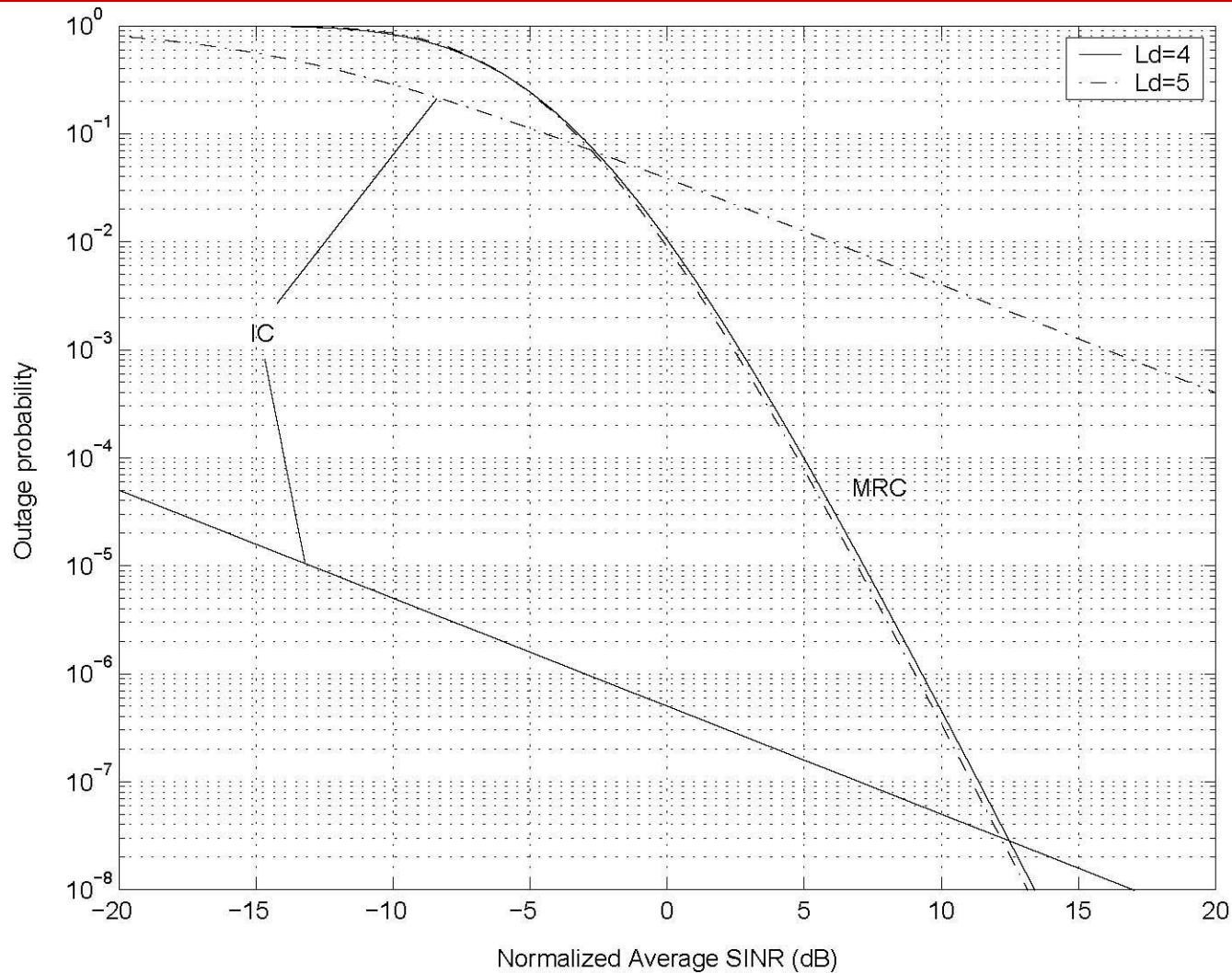
- Unconditional  $P_{out}$  obtained as

$$P_{out} = 1 - e^{-\beta(y + \sigma^2)/P_s} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\beta y/P_s} f_Y(y) dy$$

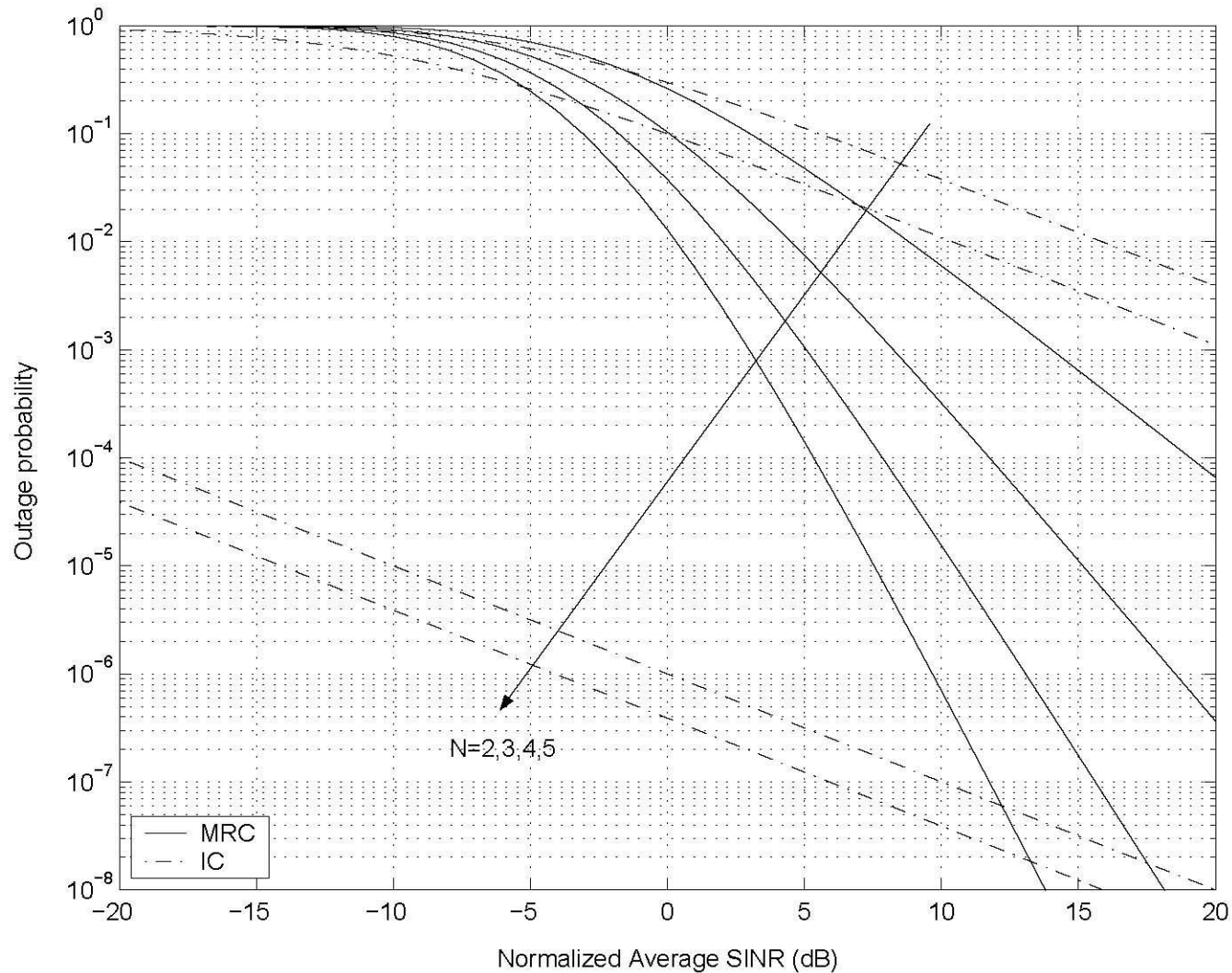
# OC vs. MRC for Rician fading



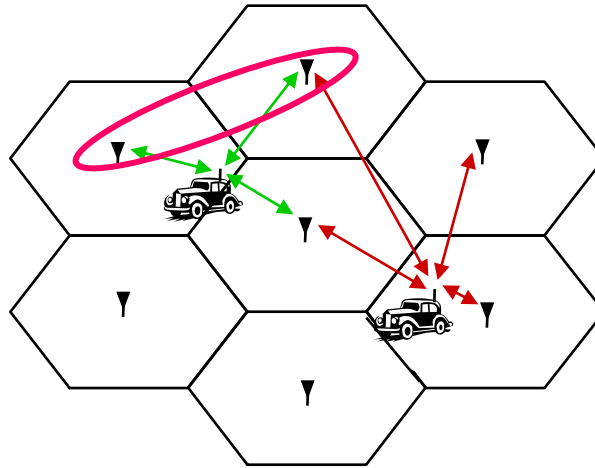
# IC vs MRC as function of No. Ints



# Diversity/IC Tradeoffs



# MIMO Techniques in Cellular



- How should MIMO be *fully* used in cellular systems?
- Shannon capacity requires dirty paper coding or IC
- Network MIMO: Cooperating BSs form an antenna array
  - Downlink is a MIMO BC, uplink is a MIMO MAC
  - Can treat “interference” as known signal (DPC) or noise
  - Shannon capacity will be covered later this week
- Multiplexing/diversity/interference cancellation tradeoffs
  - Can optimize receiver algorithm to maximize SINR

# MIMO in Cellular: *Performance Benefits*

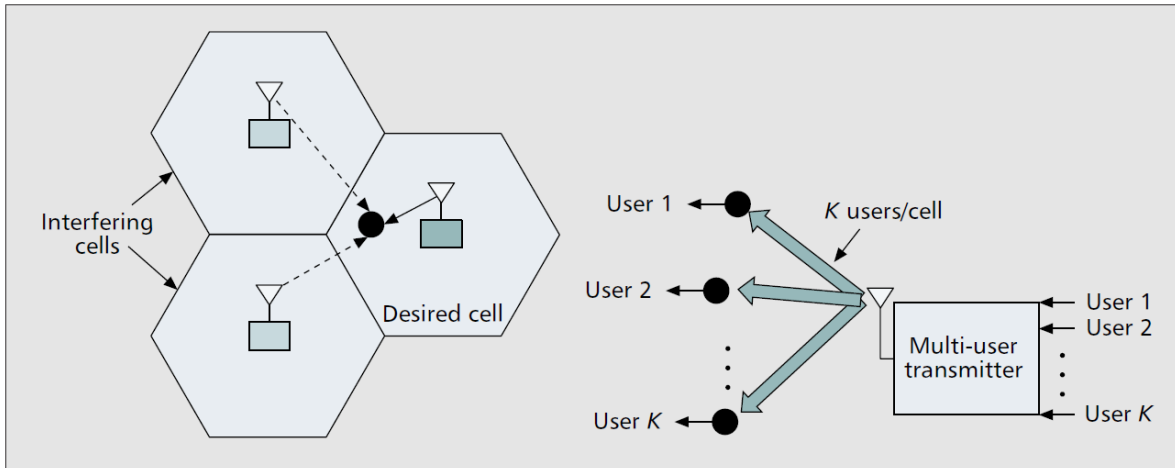
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- Antenna gain  $\Rightarrow$  extended battery life, extended range, and higher throughput
- Diversity gain  $\Rightarrow$  improved reliability, more robust operation of services
- Interference suppression (TXBF)  $\Rightarrow$  improved quality, reliability, and robustness
- Multiplexing gain  $\Rightarrow$  higher data rates
- Reduced interference to other systems

*Optimal use of MIMO in cellular systems, especially given practical constraints, remains an open problem*

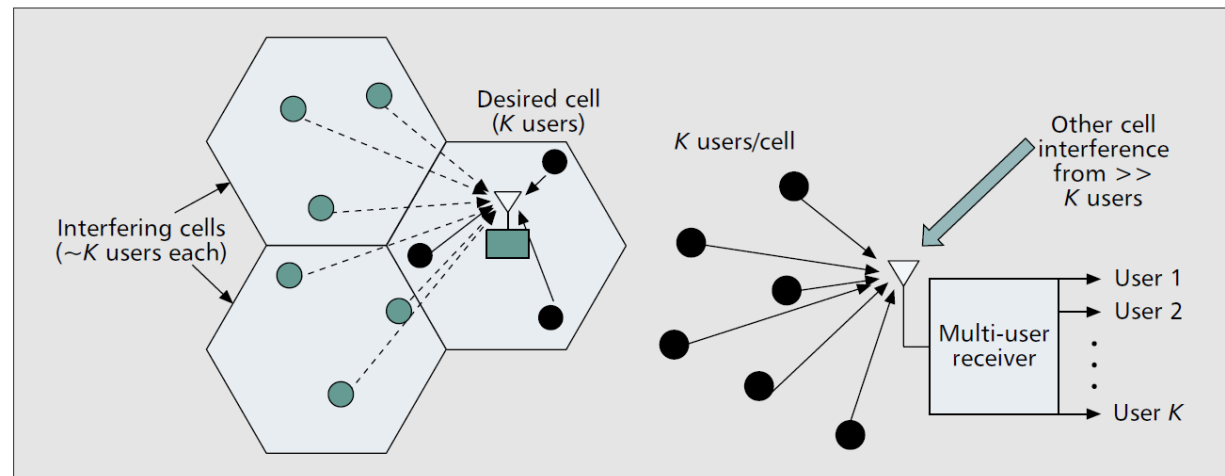


# MUD in Cellular



In ***the uplink scenario***, the BS RX must decode all  $K$  desired users, while suppressing other-cell interference from many independent users. Because it is challenging to dynamically synchronize all  $K$  desired users, they generally transmit asynchronously with respect to each other, making orthogonal spreading codes unviable.

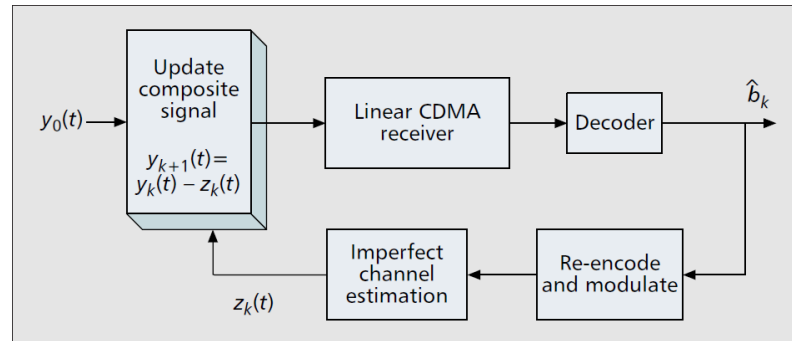
In the ***downlink scenario***, each RX only needs to decode its own signal, while suppressing other-cell interference from just a few dominant neighboring cells. Because all  $K$  users' signals originate at the base station, the link is synchronous and the  $K - 1$  intracell interferers can be orthogonalized at the base station transmitter. Typically, though, some orthogonality is lost in the channel.



# MUD in Cellular

- Goal: decode interfering signals to remove them from desired signal
- Interference cancellation
  - decode strongest signal first; subtract it from the remaining signals
  - repeat cancellation process on remaining signals
  - works best when signals received at very different power levels
- Optimal multiuser detector (Verdu Algorithm)
  - cancels interference between users in parallel
  - complexity increases exponentially with the number of users
- Other techniques trade off performance and complexity
  - decorrelating detector
  - decision-feedback detector
  - multistage detector
- MUD often requires channel information; can be hard to obtain

# Successive Interference Cancellers

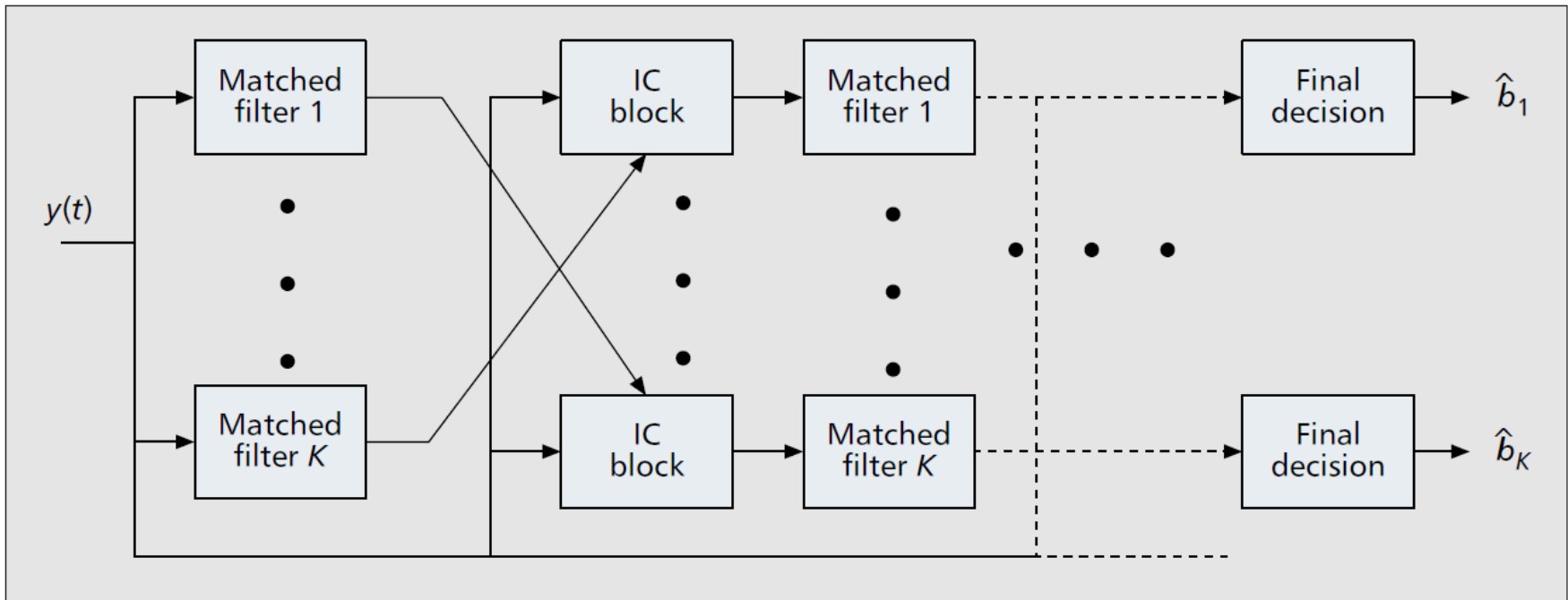


- Successively subtract off strongest detected bits
- MF output:  $b_1 = c_1 x_1 + r c_2 x_2 + z_1$        $b_2 = c_2 x_2 + r c_1 x_1 + z_2$
- Decision made for strongest user:  $\hat{x}_1 = \text{sgn}(b_1)$
- Subtract this MAI from the weaker user:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}_2 &= \text{sgn}(y_2 - r c_1 \hat{x}_1) \\ &= \text{sgn}(c_2 x_2 + r c_1 (x_1 - \hat{x}_1) + z_2)\end{aligned}$$

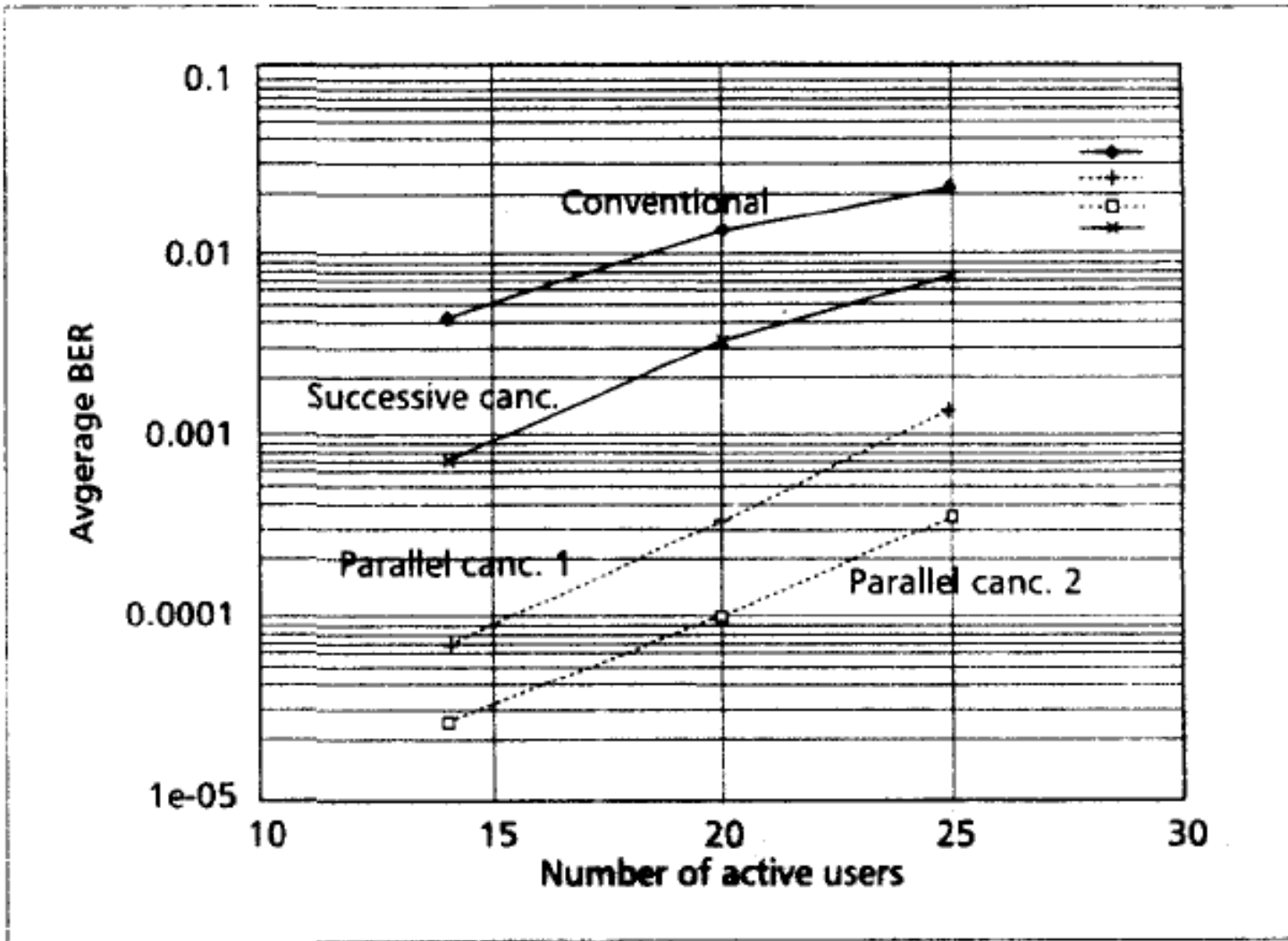
- all MAI can be subtracted is user 1 decoded correctly
- MAI is reduced and near/far problem alleviated
  - Cancelling the strongest signal has the most benefit
  - Cancelling the strongest signal is the most reliable cancellation

# Parallel Interference Cancellation



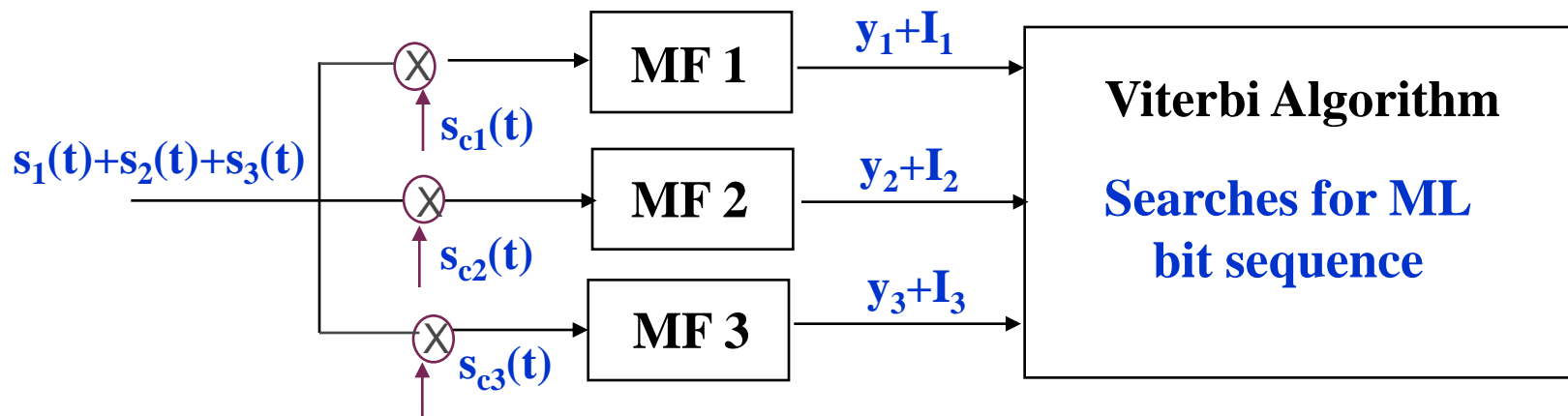
- Similarly uses all MF outputs
- Simultaneously subtracts off all of the users' signals from all of the others
- works better than SIC when all of the users are received with equal strength (e.g. under power control)

# Performance of MUD: AWGN



# Optimal Multiuser Detection

- Maximum Likelihood Sequence Estimation
  - Detect bits of all users simultaneously ( $2^M$  possibilities)
- Matched filter bank followed by the VA (Verdu'86)
  - VA uses fact that  $I_i = f(b_j, j \neq i)$
  - Complexity still high: ( $2^{M-1}$  states)
  - In asynchronous case, algorithm extends over 3 bit times
    - VA samples MFs in round robin fashion



# Tradeoffs

MUD type	Complexity order	Latency	ECCs?	$K > N$ allowed?
Optimal max. likelihood	$2^K$	1	Separate	Yes
Linear	$K$ to $K^3$	1	Separate <sup>1</sup>	No (ZF), Yes (MMSE)
Turbo	$PK$ to $2^K$	$2P$	Integrated	Yes
Parallel IC	$PK$	$P$	Integrated	Yes
Successive IC	$K$	$K$	Integrated	Yes
Nonorth. matched filter	$K$	1	Separate	Yes <sup>2</sup>
Orth. matched filter	$K$	1	Separate	No

<sup>1</sup> With some exceptions (e.g., [39]), generally linear receivers cannot seamlessly integrate ECCs.

<sup>2</sup> Although allowed in principle,  $K > N$  is not likely to be achievable in practice for the MF receiver.

**Table 1.** Key general trends of different multiuser receivers, with spreading factor  $N$ , number of users  $K$ , and  $P$  receiver stages.

# Cellular System Capacity

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- Shannon Capacity

- Shannon capacity does not incorporate reuse distance.
- Some results for TDMA systems with joint base station processing (**more later this week**).

- User Capacity

- Calculates how many users can be supported for a given performance specification.
- Results highly dependent on traffic, voice activity, and propagation models.
- Can be improved through interference reduction techniques. (Gilhousen et. al.)

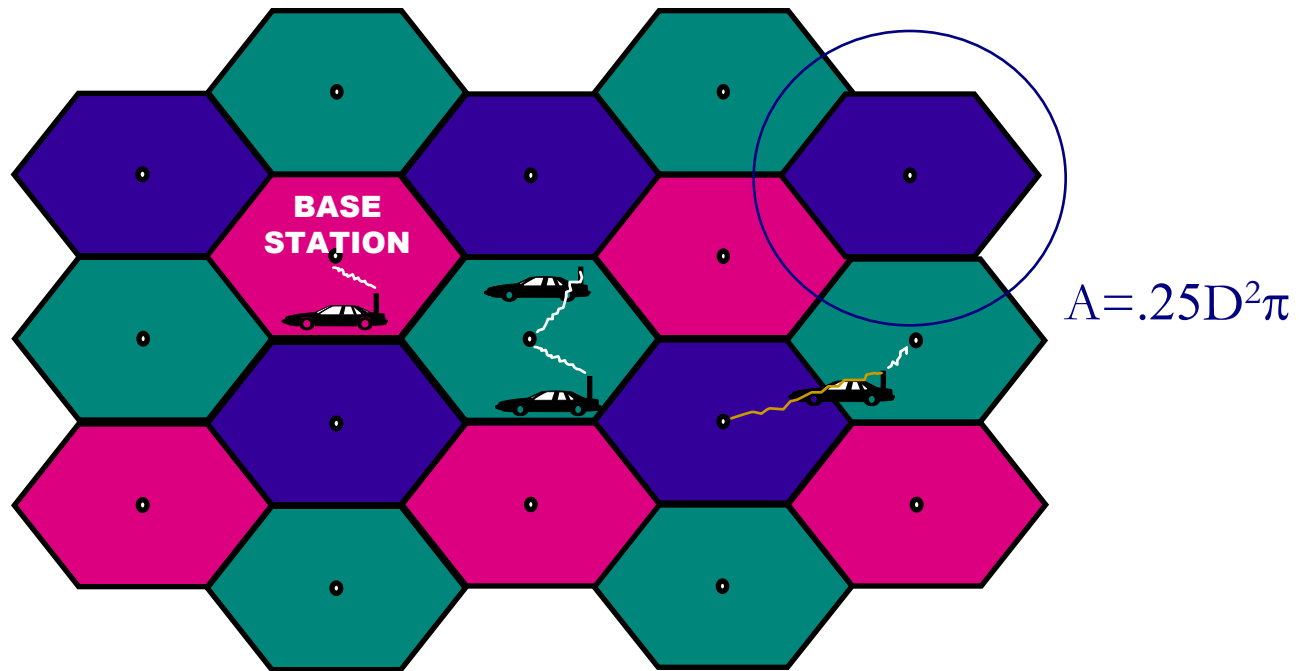
- Area Spectral Efficiency

- Capacity per unit area

*In practice, all techniques have roughly the same capacity*



# Area Spectral Efficiency



- S/I increases with reuse distance.
- For BER fixed, tradeoff between reuse distance and link spectral efficiency (bps/Hz).
- Area Spectral Efficiency:  $A_e = \sum R_i / (.25D^2\pi)$  bps/Hz/Km<sup>2</sup>.

# ASE with Adaptive Modulation

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- Users adapt their rates (and powers) relative to S/I variation.
- S/I distribution for each user based on propagation and interference models.

$$\gamma_d = S_d / \sum S_i$$

- Computed for extreme interference conditions.
- Simulated for average interference conditions.
- The maximum rate  $R_i$  for each user in a cell is computed from its S/I distribution.
  - For narrowband system use adaptive MQAM analysis

# Propagation Model

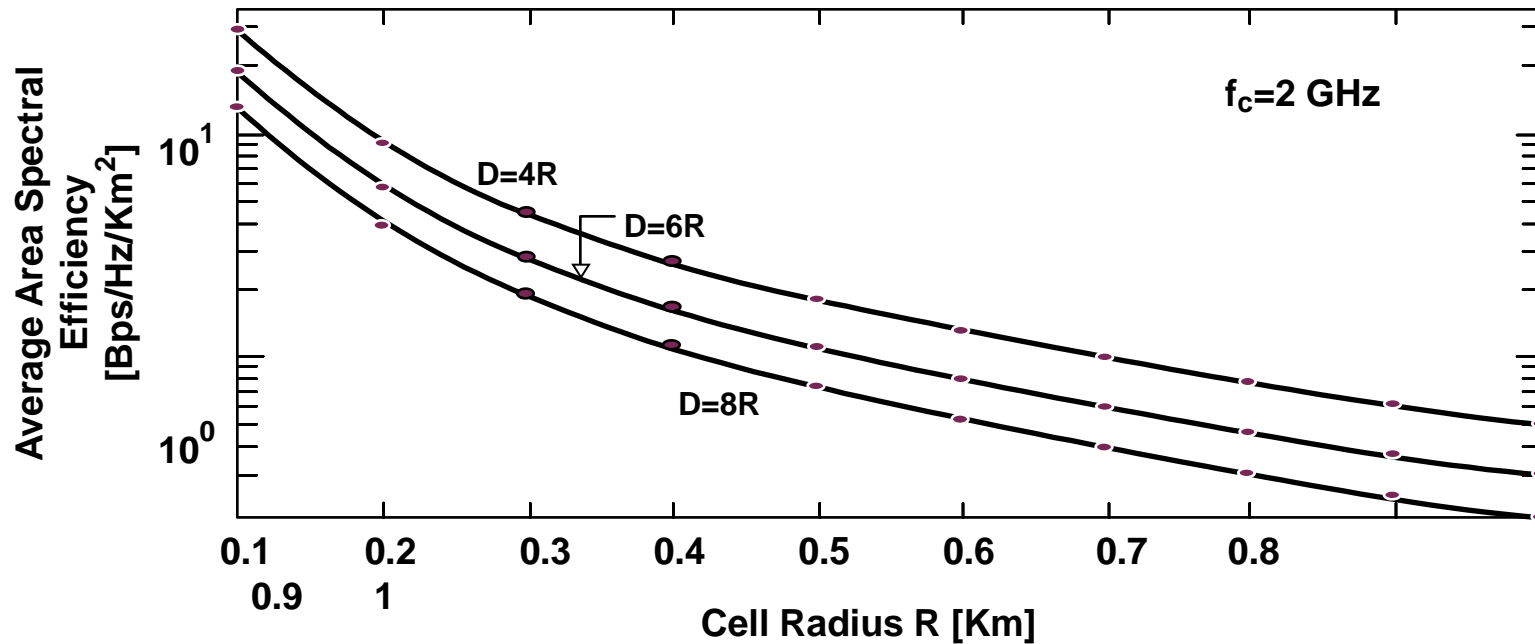
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- Two-slope path loss model:

$$\bar{S}_r(d) = \frac{K}{d^a (1 + d/g)^b} \bar{S}_t,$$

- Slow fading model: log-normal shadowing
- Fast fading model: Nakagami-m
  - Models Rayleigh and approximates Ricean.
- *ASE maximized with reuse distance of one!*
  - Adaptive modulation compensate for interference

# ASE vs. Cell Radius



# Summary

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- **Wireless data/multimedia are main drivers for future generations of cellular systems.**
  - **Killer application unknown; how will cellular users access the Internet; will cellular or WLANs prevail.**
- **Efficient systems are interference-limited**
  - **Interference reduction key to high system capacity**
- **Adaptive techniques in cellular can improve significantly performance and capacity**
- **MIMO a powerful technique, but impact on out-of-cell interference and implementation unknown.**

# Presentation

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- “On the capacity of a cellular CDMA system” by S. Gilhousen, I. M. Jacobs, R. Padovani, A. J. Viterbi, L. A. Weaver, C. E. Wheatley