



# Mobile Communications Technology 1990-2015

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# Congratulations to Wireless @ Virginia Tech !

Top Faculty

- We miss you Prof. Ted Rappaport

Superb Students

Dedicated Staff

Persistent Industry and Federal Support

**25 Years of Excellence**



# Mobile Wireless 1991 - Phone

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4.5 M Global Subs



# Mobile Wireless 2015 – Platform

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7 Billion Global Subs



# Performance Drivers

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- Higher Capacity / Spectrum Efficiency
- Lower Latency
- Coverage Reliability and Uniformity
- Economics

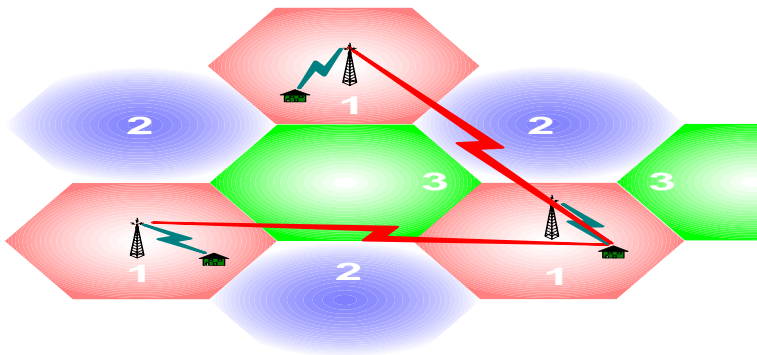


# Mobile Telephony - Pre Cellular

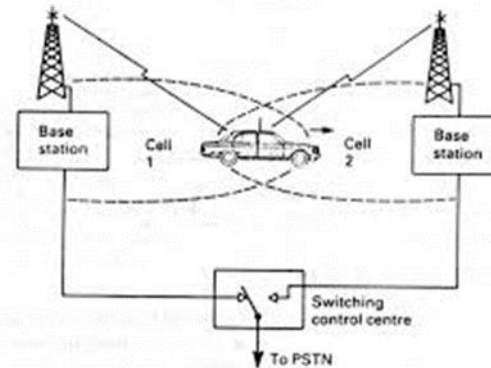
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# Scaling to 10,000s +



Cellular Reuse



Handover

DH Ring, WR Young, A Joel



# Improving Spectrum Efficiency

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- Tighter reuse
- Transmit at capacity
- Mitigate interference
- Spatial dimension

## Enablers

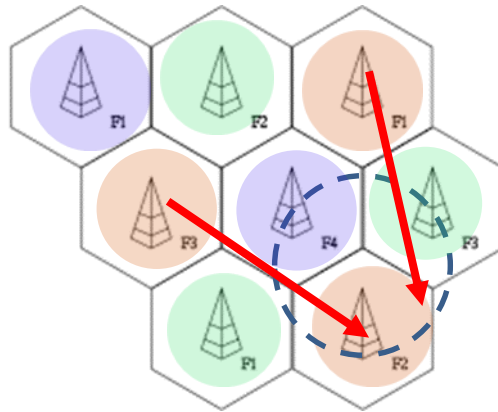
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- Interference Mitigation
- Adaptive Mod./Coding
- MIMO Antennas





# Bandwidth per Cell vs SIR

**K=3**

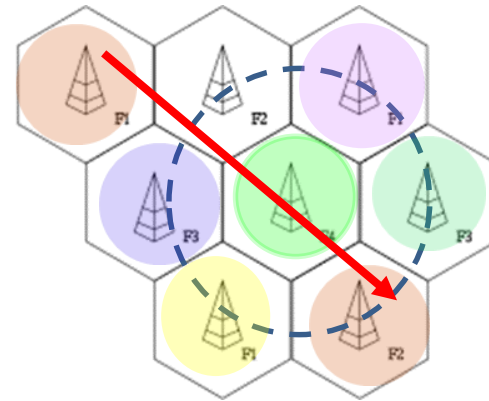


Higher Interference



Total Bandwidth Available

**K=7**



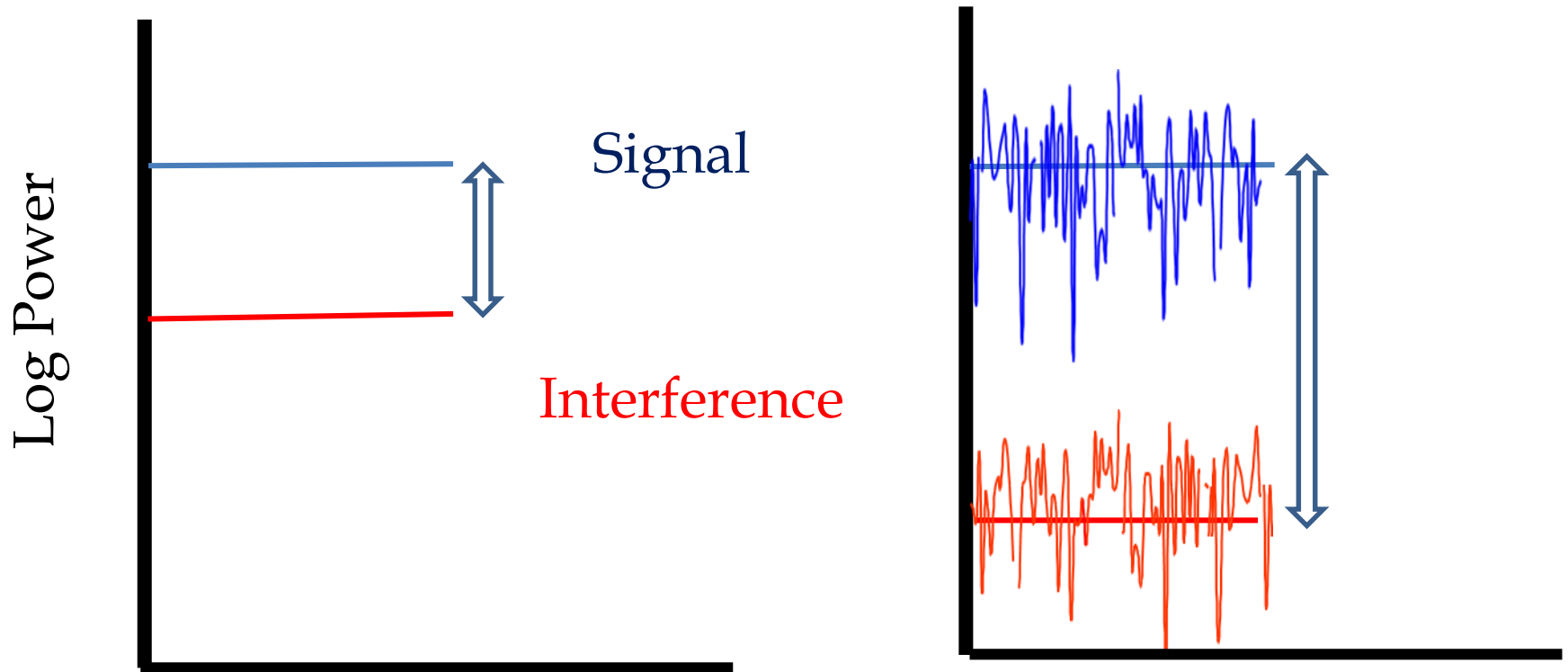
Lower Interference



Total Bandwidth Available



# Required SIR w/o and w/ Variability



Fading / Variability  $\rightarrow$  Loose Reuse ( Higher K)

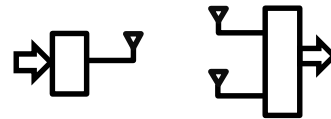


# Signal Diversity

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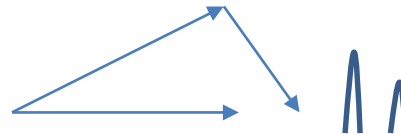
- Antenna (space)



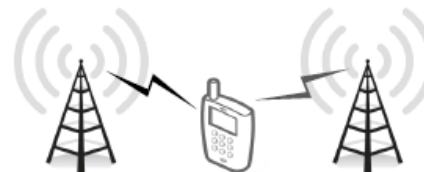
- Time



- Frequency ( Path)

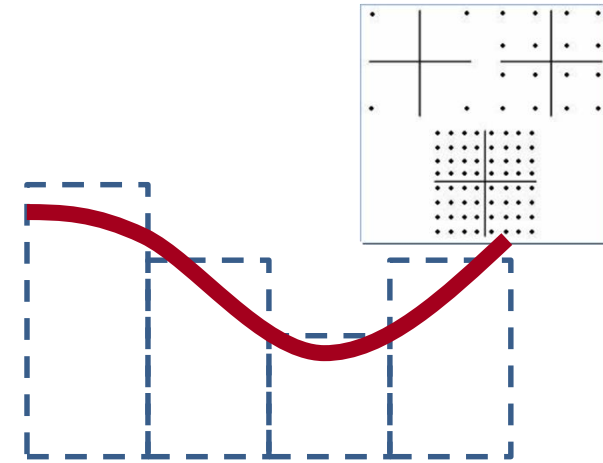


- Macroscopic



# Adaptive Modulation and Coding

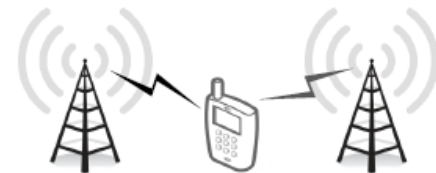
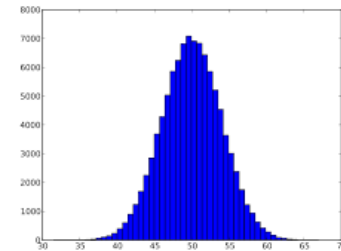
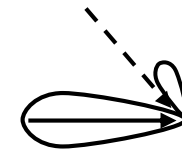
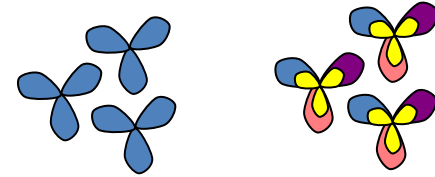
- Modulation & Code rate adapted to SNR / channel capacity
- Sources of capacity variability
  - Path loss and fading
  - Frequency selectivity
  - Time selectivity
  - Spatial selectivity (MIMO)
- Expose the different dimensions and transmit on each dimension at capacity



SIR dependent ?

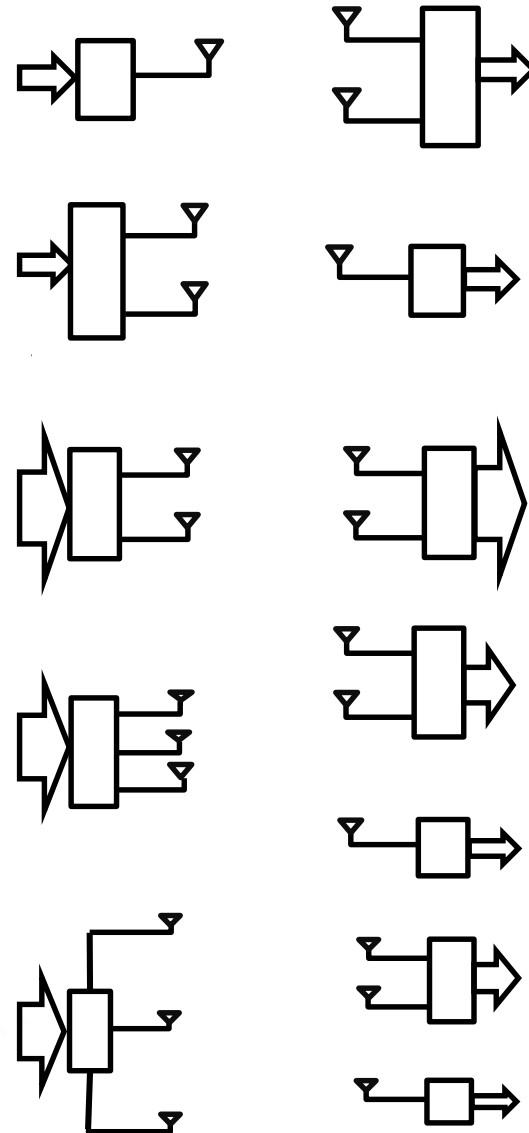
# Interference Mitigation

- Control (by Reuse)
- Reduce mean level (cancel)
- Reduce variance (average)
- Avoid by scheduling



# Antennas

- Receive diversity
- Transmit diversity
- Spatial Multiplexing (MIMO)
- MU-MIMO
- D-MIMO



# Multiple Access / Modulation

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- FDMA / FM, TDMA / GMSK , CDMA / DS-SS and OFDMA / OFDM
- Little direct impact on spectrum efficiency, but made it easier to exploit the real enablers
  - Signal Diversity,
  - Interference Mitigation
  - Adaptive Mod./Coding
  - MIMO Antennas



# 1G (AMPS) – Mid 80s

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- **Analog**
  - Loose reuse ( $K = 21$ )
  - **FDMA / FM**
  - 30 KHz channels
  
  - ATT, Ericsson, NTT
- Tighter reuse
  - Transmit at capacity
  - Mitigate interference
  - Spatial dimension

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# 2G (GSM) – Early 90s

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- **Digital**
  - Medium Reuse (K=9)
  - **TDMA / GMSK**
  - 200 KHz channel
  - + Voice Coding
  - + Channel Coding
  - + Loose power control
  - + Intf. Averaging by FH
  
  - ETSI, Ericsson, Alcatel, Matra
- Tighter reuse
  - Transmit at capacity
  - Mitigate interference
  - Spatial dimension

T Haug, A Maloberti, J Ausdestad



# 3G – WCDMA

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- Tight reuse (1)
- **CDMA / DS-SS**
- 5 MHz Channel
- + Tight power control
- + Interference Diversity (DS-SS)
- + Turbo / LDPC coding
- + Path and antenna diversity
- + Macro diversity (soft handoff)
- + Var. Spreading
- Qualcomm, NTT, 3GPP

- Tighter reuse
- Transmit at capacity
- Mitigate interference
- Spatial dimension

A Viterbi, I Jacobs, F Adachi



# 4G - Early 10s

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- Packet switched
  - OFDMA / OFDM
  - 5,10,20 + MHz Channels
  - + Signal Diversity (Antenna, Freq.)
  - + MIMO
  - + Tx Beamforming
  - + Fractional Reuse
  - + Adaptive Modulation / Coding
  - + PHY ARQ
  - + Multi-User Diversity
  - + Interference Cancellation
  - Iospan, Intel (WiMAX), 3GPP
- Tighter reuse
  - Transmit at capacity
  - Mitigate interference
  - Spatial dimension

A Paulraj, S Alamouti, 3GPP



# Mobile Technology Today

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- 95% global cell phones penetration
- 28% broadband (4G)
- Phones: Android, IOS, ..
- Infrastructure: Ericsson, Huawei, Nokia
- Semiconductors: Qualcomm, Mediatek, Intel
- Peak speeds - touching 140 Mbps



# Summary

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- Landmark societal impact
- Massive global enterprise – basic ideas, research, standards, engineering development, manufacture, deployment and network operations
- W@VT has been an important influencer and contributor

