

Riding the Mobile Traffic Tsunami – Opportunities and Threats in the Making of 5G Mobile Broadband

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Content Drives Demand for Capacity





Video to drive >60% of mobile traffic







Commerce to generate >70% of mobile Internet revenue





New Possibilities for Disruption





The widening traffic revenue gap

Cellular Between a Rock and a Hard Place

Mobile traffic grows at 60% CAGR



5G in millimeter wave frequencies

- 2010 Two fundamental concepts (Millimeter-wave Mobile Communication & Massive MIMO)
- Significant technology milestones NTT DoCoMo ('13), Samsung ('13, '14), Ericsson ('14), Nokia ('14)
- Feasibility corroborated by extensive channel measurement studies (e.g., Rappaport in UT and NYU)
- Recognized as one of the core technologies for 5G in global standardization bodies

Overarching 5G goals can only be met with multi-gigahertz millimeter wave spectrum

• 1000x capacity increase over 4G, wide-area Gbps mobility, 1 ms latency



Straight Path 5G Vision





A Sea Change Upon the Entire Ecosystem





Opportunities? Threats?





Transceivers & Components

Integration

- Front End
 - Power
 - Amplification
- RFIC
 - Phase Shifting
 - Mixing
 - Combining

Efficiency

- Power Efficiency
 - PA class
 - Fabrication process
- Linearization
 - Analog Pre-Distortion
 - Average Power Tracking







Baseband & Air Interface





5G Network – Outdoor & Indoor

Outdoor

- Small base station (laptop size) with high EIRP (~60 dBm)
- Large footprint (up to 1km in urban area, >1 km in suburban and rural areas)
- Higher deployment density than 4G with same CAPEX/OPEX
- Higher antenna gain at BS & MS increases SNR
- Directional transmission reduces interference



Indoor

- 10 20 dB higher EIRP and much larger footprint than Wi-Fi Access Point (with same size)
- Less congested spectrum and lower interference than Wi-Fi
- Enclosed space often leads to LOS propagation loss less than free space
- Manageable penetration loss for most building interior materials



5G Network – Outside-in



How it works

- Higher EIRP (>60 dBm)
- Higher deployment density (with same CAPEX/OPEX as 4G)
- Higher antenna gain at BS & MS
- Reduced inter-cell interference
- Less penetration loss with small windows, small openings, rebar
- Meaningful penetration through brick and concrete^{1, 2}
- Penetration loss of interior materials generally small^{1, 2}
- Promising preliminary results³

- 1. NTIA Report 94-306, "Building penetration loss measurements at 900 MHz, 11.4 GHz, and 28.8 GHz"
- 2. <u>NTIA Report 88-239</u>, "Millimeter-wave propagation characteristics and channel performance for urban-suburban environments"
- 3. "Millimeter-wave beamforming as an enabling technology for 5G cellular communications: theoretical feasibility and prototype results," in *Communications Magazine*, *IEEE*, vol.52, no.2, pp.106-113, February 2014

Penetration Loss based on NTIA report



Penetration loss in 28.8 GHz vs. 0.9 GHz

- 7 dB more for "Residential" (wood frame with brick veneer)
- 17 dB more for "Radio Building" (concrete wall with steel reinforcement)
- 7 dB **less** for "Store Room" (metal siding with window)
- 1. <u>NTIA Report 94-306</u>, "Building penetration loss measurements at 900 MHz, 11.4 GHz, and 28.8 GHz"







Make 5G happen or let 5G happen to you