



CMP4204 Wireless Technologies

Lecture 08

# Cellular Mobile 2G, GSM and CDMA



Diarmuid Ó Briain CEng, FIEI, FIET, CISSP

diarmuid@obriain.com

#### **Multiple Access methods**





#### **Spread Spectrum**





#### **Spread Spectrum**





# **CDMA Spreading**

![](_page_4_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_4_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### **CDMA Spreading**

![](_page_5_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_5_Figure_2.jpeg)

Bandwidth of Digital signal = 2 \* Bit rate

 $f_{\rm c} + f_{\rm i} \approx f_{\rm c} \operatorname{as} f_{\rm c} >> f_{\rm i}$ 

![](_page_6_Picture_0.jpeg)

![](_page_6_Picture_1.jpeg)

- Processing Gain (G<sub>p</sub>) is the theoretical system gain that results from the spreading effect.
- This gain is also known as the Spreading Factor and is given by:

 $- G_{p} = f_{c} / f_{i}$ 

- Spreading Factor is the ratio of the chips (i.e. 3.8 Mchips/s) to the baseband information rate.
  - So for QPSK for example:
    - G<sub>p</sub> = 3.8 Mchips/s / 15 K Symbols/s = 3800000 / 15000 = 253
    - 10log253 = 24dB gain

![](_page_7_Picture_1.jpeg)

- CDMA units use Rake receivers. These are essentially a set of several correlators.
- Each correlator in a Rake receiver is called a Rake-receiver finger. The base station combines the outputs of its RAKE-receiver fingers.
- Typically mobile receivers have 3 Rake-receiver fingers and base station receivers had 4 or 5 depending on the equipment manufacturer.
- There are two primary methods used to combine the Rake-receiver finger outputs:
  - equal-gain combining.
  - maximal-ratio combining.
    - Uses the data to estimate weights which maximize the SNR.

# Hard Handover in FDMA & TDMA systems

![](_page_8_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_8_Figure_2.jpeg)

- In FDMA fA cells are separated from each other by other cells with frequency B or C necessitating a hard handover mechanism.
- TDMA employs a similar mechanism using time as the separator.
- Hard handover means that the mobile station must break the connection in the cell it is leaving before making a connection in the new cell it is entering.
- Hard handover can be seamless or non-seamless.

### **Soft Handover in CDMA systems**

![](_page_9_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_9_Figure_2.jpeg)

- As all cells in CDMA use the same frequency, it is possible to make the connection to the new cell before leaving the current cell.
- This is known as a "make-beforebreak" or "soft" handover.
- Soft handovers require less power, which reduces interference and increases capacity.
- "Softer" handover is a special case where the radio links that are added and removed belong to the same cell node.
- The cell node entity is called a Node B.

# **Mobile Evolution**

![](_page_10_Picture_1.jpeg)

#### • 1G

- Initial analogue mobile systems
- 2G
  - GSM, D-AMPS, cdmaOne
  - SMS
  - WAP, i-mode
- 2.5G
  - GPRS
  - EDGE
  - EDGE Evolution

#### **2G Spectrum**

![](_page_11_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_11_Figure_2.jpeg)

GSM

![](_page_12_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_12_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### **GSM Base Station Sub-system (BSS)**

![](_page_13_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_13_Figure_2.jpeg)

#### **European GSM Channels**

- GSM-900 system, two frequency bands:
  - 124 Channels (1 124)
  - 890 915 MHz for the uplink (direction MS to BS)
  - 935 960 MHz for the downlink (direction BS to MS).
- GSM-1800 system, two frequency bands:
  - 374 Channels (512 885)
  - 1710 1785 MHz for the uplink (direction MS to BS)
  - 1805 1880 MHz for the downlink (direction BS to MS).
- 25 MHz bands split into 124 pairs of frequency duplex channels with 120 kHz carrier spacing.
  - One or more sets are assigned to each TRX in the BTS.

#### **GSM Cellular scheme**

![](_page_15_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_15_Figure_2.jpeg)

Seven sets of frequencies are sufficient to cover a typical large area, providing the repeatdistance *d* is larger than twice the maximum radius *r* covered by each transmitter.

#### **TDMA Frame Structure**

![](_page_16_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_16_Figure_2.jpeg)

- Frame consists of a 200 kHz radio channel divided into 26 TDMA timeslots.
- Each TDMA timeslot is split into 8 bursts (a burst is assigned to a single user).
- GSM Terminal is therefore only transmitting for 1/8 4.615 mS (0.577 mS).

#### **Transcoder and Rate Adaption Unit**

![](_page_17_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_17_Figure_2.jpeg)

Regular Pulse Excited-Long Term Prediction (RPE-LPC)

### **Network Switching Sub-system (NSS)**

![](_page_18_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_18_Figure_2.jpeg)

# **Subscriber Identity Module (SIM)**

![](_page_19_Picture_1.jpeg)

- Removable smart card for mobile cellular telephony devices.
- SIM cards store the International Mobile Subscriber Identity (IMSI) subscriber ID.

![](_page_19_Figure_4.jpeg)

# International Mobile Subscriber Identity (IMSI)

- The IMSI is derived from the following steps.
  - Mobile Network Code (MNC): 011
  - Mobile Country Code (MCC): 256
  - Mobile Subscriber Identity Number (MSIN): 705446743
- Result: 011256705446743

# **General Packet Radio Service (GPRS)**

![](_page_21_Picture_1.jpeg)

- Serving GPRS Support Node (SGSN)
  - Tracks the location of an individual MS.
  - Performs security functions and access control for packet services.
- Gateway GPRS Support Node (GGSN)
  - Gateway routing function for the GPRS network.
  - IP Router from the perspective of external packet data networks.
  - Firewall and filtering functionality, to protect the GPRS core network.
  - Billing functionality for packet data services.

![](_page_22_Picture_1.jpeg)

- Access Point Name (APN)
  - Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1)
  - Provides routing info for SGSN and GGSN.
  - The APN consists of two parts:
    - APN Network ID (APN-NI) identifies the external PDN which the MS wishes service.
      - makerere
    - APN Operator ID (APN-OI) specifies the GGSN is located (Optional).
      - mnc<MNC#>.mcc<MCC#>.gprs
      - mnc011.mcc256.gprs
    - APN: makerere.mnc011.mcc256.gprs

#### **GPRS Data Call**

![](_page_23_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_23_Figure_2.jpeg)

makerere.mnc011.mcc256.gprs

#### **GSM Data uplifts**

![](_page_24_Picture_1.jpeg)

- Enhanced Data Rates for GSM Evolution (EDGE)
  - Unofficial standard 2.75G, due to its slower network speed.
  - DL speeds up to 236.8 kb/s.

- EDGE Evolution
  - EDGE Evolution improves on EDGE in a number of ways.
    - Lower Latency.
    - Bit rates are increased up to 1 Mb/s peak.
    - Improved Signal quality.

![](_page_25_Picture_0.jpeg)

![](_page_25_Picture_1.jpeg)

# **Thank You**

![](_page_25_Picture_3.jpeg)

diarmuid@obriain.com