

3GPP LTE 표준화 동향

표준 동향 및 주요 기술 소개

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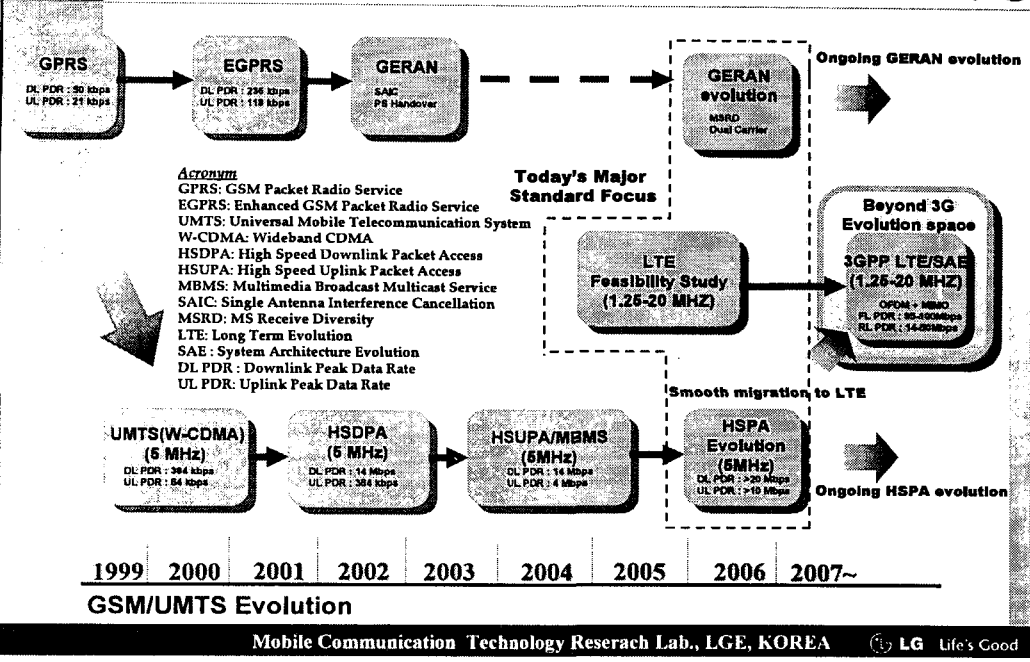
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3GPP standardization - overview

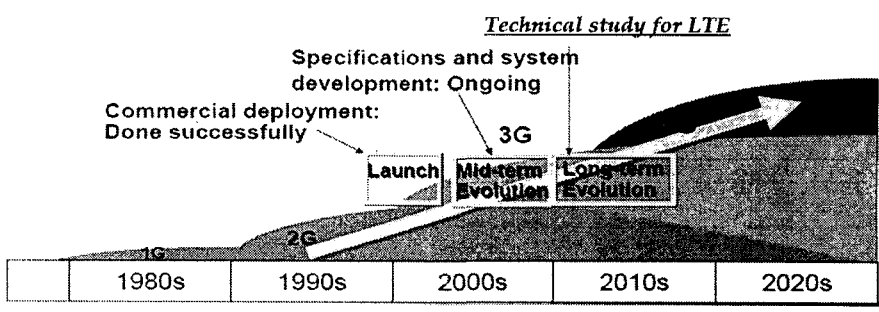


Introduction of 3GPP LTE [1/2]



What is 3GPP RAN LTE?

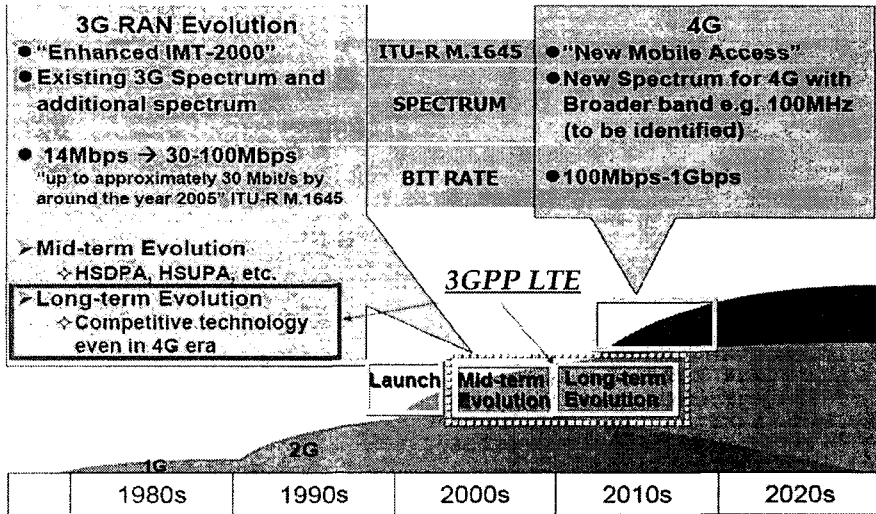
- Long Term Evolution for 3GPP RAN to keep the continuous growth of mobile communication industry
- Initiated mainly by NTT-DoCoMo in November, 2004
- Currently still in the study item phase
 - ✓ Work item started officially in June, 2006
- Competitive technology even in 4G era



Introduction of 3GPP LTE [2/2]



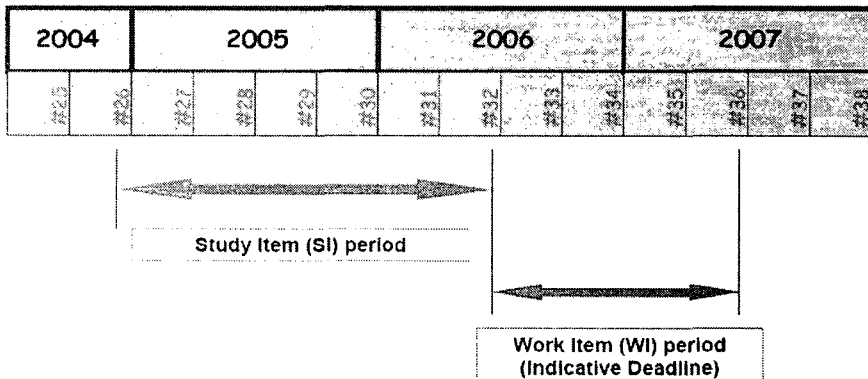
□ Position of 3GPP LTE vs. 4G Radio



Time schedule for 3GPP LTE



□ Overall schedule for LTE standardization



Requirements for 3GPP LTE [1/2]



□ Major requirements (from 25.913)

- Significantly increased peak data rate e.g. 100 Mbps (downlink) and 50 Mbps (uplink)
- Increase "cell edge bitrate" whilst maintaining same site locations as deployed today
- Significantly improved spectrum efficiency e.g. 5bit/s/Hz (downlink), 2.5bit/s/Hz (uplink)
- Significantly reduced U/C-plane latency
- Scalable bandwidth e.g. 1.25, 2.5, 5, 10, 15, and 20MHz
- Support for inter-working with existing 3G systems and non-3GPP specified systems
- Further enhanced MBMS
- Reduced CAPEX and OPEX including backhaul
- Cost effective migration from Release 6 UTRA radio interface and architecture

Requirements for 3GPP LTE [2/2]



□ Major requirements for evolved system

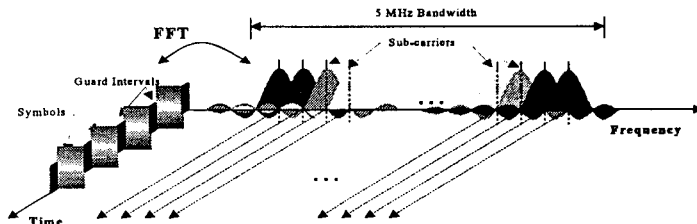
- Reasonable system and terminal complexity, cost, and power consumption
- Support of further enhanced IMS and core network
- Backwards compatibility is highly desirable, but the trade off versus performance and/or capability enhancements should be carefully considered
- Efficient support of the various types of services, especially from the PS domain (e.g. Voice over IP, Presence)
- System should be optimized for low mobile speed but also support high mobile speed (~15, ~120, ~350km/h)
- Operation in paired and unpaired spectrum should not be precluded
- Possibility for simplified co-existence between operators in adjacent bands as well as cross-border co-existence

Radio access technology



OFDM (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing)

- OFDM uses many subcarriers/tones to carry signal
- Data from a user encoded on multiple tones
- The subcarriers overlap but are orthogonal to each other, with no mutual interference



Advantages compared with CDMA

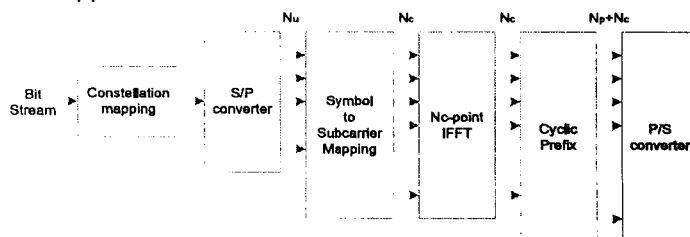
- Higher spectral efficiency in time-dispersive channel
- More robust to multipath interference
- More suitable to MIMO technologies
- Simpler receiver to cope with dispersive channels

Downlink radio access scheme



DL radio access scheme for LTE

- OFDM based multiplexing (beneficial for channels subject to severe time dispersion)
 - ✓ Higher data rate and capacity (sector throughput) than N_x HSDPA with 5 MHz bandwidth
 - ✓ Combined more easily with MIMO tech. → influence of delayed paths is mitigated
- Fast scheduling in the unit of 0.5 ms sub-frame
 - ✓ Channel dependent scheduling and link adaptation can be applied on the sub-frame level



Downlink frame structure



Downlink frame structure with scalable bandwidth

| Transmission BW | 1.25 MHz | 2.5 MHz | 5 MHz | 10 MHz | 15 MHz | 20 MHz | |
|--|--------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sub-frame duration | 0.5 ms | | | | | | |
| Sub-carrier spacing | 15 kHz | | | | | | |
| Sampling frequency | 1.92 MHz (1/2 × 3.84) | 3.84 MHz | 7.68 MHz (2 × 3.84) | 15.36 MHz (4 × 3.84) | 23.04 MHz (6 × 3.84) | 30.72 MHz (8 × 3.84) | |
| FFT size | 128 | 256 | 512 | 1024 | 1536 | 2048 | |
| Number of occupied sub-carriers | 76 | 151 | 301 | 601 | 901 | 1201 | |
| Number of OFDM symbols per sub frame (Short/Long CP) | 7/6 | | | | | | |
| CP length (μs/samples) | Short | $(4.69/9) \times 6,$ $(5.21/10) \times 1$ | $(4.69/18) \times 6,$ $(5.21/20) \times 1$ | $(4.69/36) \times 6,$ $(5.21/40) \times 1$ | $(4.69/72) \times 6,$ $(5.21/80) \times 1$ | $(4.69/108) \times 6,$ $(5.21/120) \times 1$ | $(4.69/144) \times 6,$ $(5.21/160) \times 1$ |
| | Long | (16.67/32) | (16.67/64) | (16.67/128) | (16.67/256) | (16.67/384) | (16.67/512) |

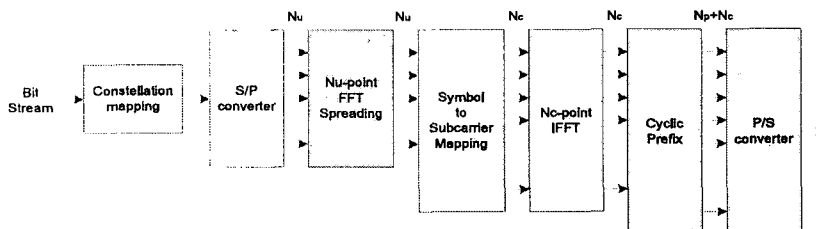
• Parameters for Downlink Transmission Scheme. Numerology are for evaluation purpose only

Uplink radio access scheme



UL radio access scheme for LTE

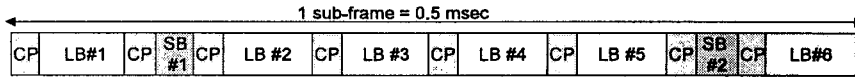
- DFT-S-OFDMA based multiple access
 - ✓ Can be considered as variation of OFDMA with DFT spreading so that lower PAPR (Peak to Average Power Ratio) can be achieved
 - ✓ Preserves orthogonality among simultaneous users
 - Larger capacity than CDMA if intercell interference can be mitigated
 - ✓ Also known as SC-FDMA (Single Carrier FDMA)
- Fast scheduling in the unit of 0.5 ms sub-frame
 - ✓ Channel dependent scheduling and link adaptation can be applied on the sub-frame level



Uplink frame structure



Uplink frame structure with scalable bandwidth



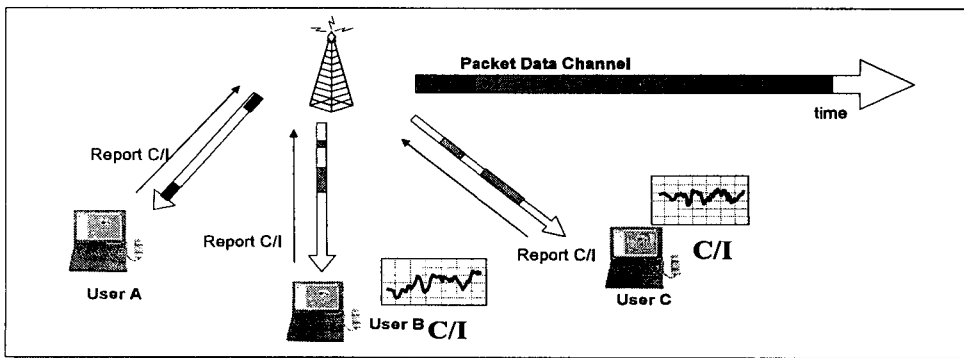
| Spectrum Allocation (MHz) | Sub-frame duration (ms) | Long block size ($\mu\text{s}/\#$ of occupied subcarriers / samples) | Short block size ($\mu\text{s}/\#$ of occupied subcarriers / samples) | CP duration ($\mu\text{s}/\text{samples}^*1$) |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|--|--|
| 20 | 0.5 | 66.67/1200/2048 | 33.33/600/1024 | $(4.13/127) \times 7$, $(4.39/135) \times 1$ |
| 15 | 0.5 | 66.67/900/1536 | 33.33/450/768 | $(4.12/95) \times 7$, $(4.47/103) \times 1$ |
| 10 | 0.5 | 66.67/600/1024 | 33.33/300/512 | $(4.1/63) \times 7$, $(4.62/71) \times 1$ |
| 5 | 0.5 | 66.67/300/512 | 33.33/150/256 | $(4.04/31) \times 7$, $(5.08/39) \times 1$ |
| 2.5 | 0.5 | 66.67/150/256 | 33.33/75/128 | $(3.91/15) \times 7$, $(5.99/23) \times 1$ |
| 1.25 | 0.5 | 66.67/75/128 | 33.33/38/64 | $(3.65/7) \times 7$, $(7.81/15) \times 1$ |

Downlink scheduling mechanism



Multi-user diversity

- The UE to be served is selected by scheduler, based on C/I feedback values from UE
- By transmitting the packet on better channel condition, the average sector throughput can be increased

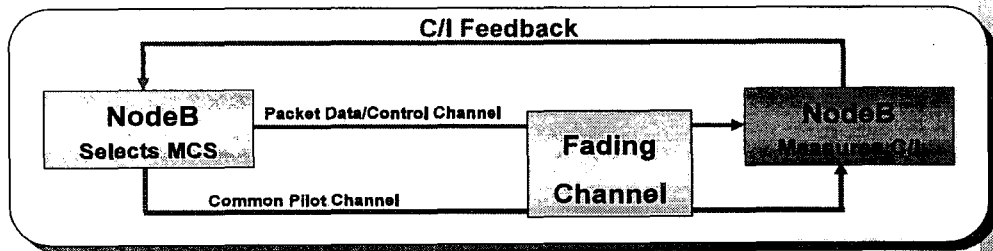


Downlink link adaptation mechanism



□ Operation of AMC

- Based on instantaneous channel conditions and system restrictions
 - ✓ C/I feedback from UEs
 - ✓ Available power & time-frequency resource at the NodeB
- Selection of modulation and coding
 - ✓ Maximization of system throughput by efficient exploitation of radio spectrum capacity
 - ✓ Users near/far from the sector → higher/lower order modulation with higher/lower code rates



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Uplink scheduling mechanism



□ Basic decision to be made

- Scheduling in which domain?
 - ✓ Time domain scheduling with pre-assigned tx bandwidth
 - ✓ Time and frequency domain scheduling
- Scheduling in terms of time
 - ✓ Fast scheduling
 - ◊ 1 Sub-frame (fast scheduling)
 - ◊ Large overhead
 - ◊ Efficient usage of resource
 - ◊ Delay-sensitive application
 - ✓ Multi sub-frame (slow scheduling)
 - ◊ Of how many sub-frames does a time unit for scheduling consist?
 - ◊ Small overhead
 - ◊ waste of resource in case of small size of buffered data
 - ◊ May not be appropriate to real-time service (e.g. VoIP)

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Uplink link adaptation mechanism



□ Link Adaptation Mechanism for Uplink

- Fast AMC + Slow Power Control (or Full Power)
 - ✓ Link adaptation for residual path loss and fast fading variation
 - ✓ SINR measure pilot is required for UE (semi-fixed pilot power level)
 - ✓ High sector/user throughput ?
 - ✓ What does Slow PC mean? : Distance-based power level determination
 - proper power transmission at cell edge (in case of high frequency reuse factor): minimize inter-NodeB interference :
 - High power transmission at cell edge : maximize worst user's throughput (This scheme needs inter-cell interference coordination?)
- Slow AMC + Fast Power Control
 - ✓ Do not necessarily require SINR measure pilot
 - ✓ R-CQICH, or power head room report can be used for slow AMC

HARQ for downlink and uplink



□ Possible Consideration on HARQ Mechanism

- Synchronous/Non-adaptive
 - ✓ Lower overhead
 - ✓ Less flexibility
 - ✓ Maybe less throughput
- Asynchronous/Adaptive
 - ✓ Larger overhead
 - ✓ More flexible
 - ✓ Higher throughput

□ Further Consideration

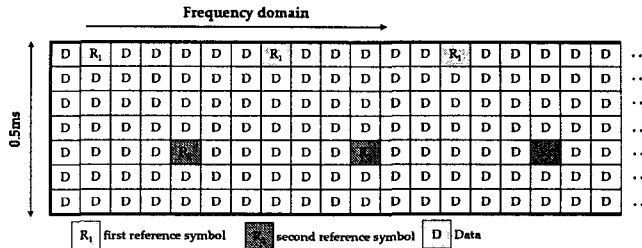
- Control Signal Design for HARQ Mechanism
 - ✓ Possible extension of control channel message using a kind of flag in case of large overhead

Pilot design for downlink/uplink



□ Pilot structure for downlink

- Common pilot channel



□ Pilot structure for uplink

- Pilot for channel estimation
 - ✓ Distributed pilot or localized pilot : related to resource allocation mechanism for uplink
- Pilot for fast scheduling/link adaptation
 - ✓ Definition of link adaptation pilot or reuse of power controlled pilot with power headroom report

Control channel design for downlink



□ Location of control channel in a subframe

- Should be close to pilot channel for better channel estimation
- Should be located in the first and second symbol of subframe

□ What kind of information?

- For downlink shared channel
 - ✓ Information on resource block allocation for scheduled UE
 - ✓ Target UE ID
 - ✓ MCS Information
 - ✓ HARQ related information
- For uplink
 - ✓ Information on resource block allocation for scheduled UE
 - ✓ Power control bit
 - ✓ MCS Information
 - ✓ HARQ related information

□ Coding scheme for control channel

- Joint coding for multiple UE?
- Control channel transmission in case of multiple antenna in Node B
- Control channel design in case of variable control signal length
- Any method for overhead reduction?
 - ✓ Compression, Power ranking, AMC

Control channel design for uplink

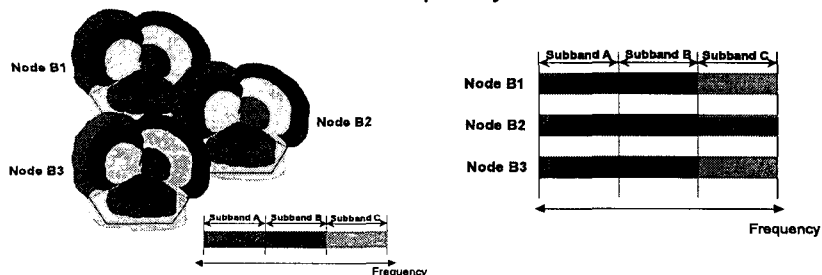


- ❑ **Required control signal in uplink**
 - Data associated control signaling (e.g. TFCI)
 - Data non-associated control signaling
 - ✓ CQICH, ACKCH, or request channel
- ❑ **Multiplexing scheme for L1/L2 control signal**
 - TDM vs. FDM
 - Distributed vs. localized
- ❑ **CQI Report**
 - Procedure and method for transmitting channel quality information (CQI) through UL control channel to support efficient DL scheduling
 - Considered Method:
 - ✓ Physical control channel/MAC signaling
 - ✓ Full band CQI reporting/N-best band CQI reporting/etc
 - ✓ Contiguous/Non-contiguous CQI band reporting
 - ✓ Node B initiative/MS initiative
 - ✓ Scheduling dependent/independent
 - ✓ Periodic/aperiodic/event-triggered
 - ✓ Fast feedback or slow feedback

Intercell interference mitigation



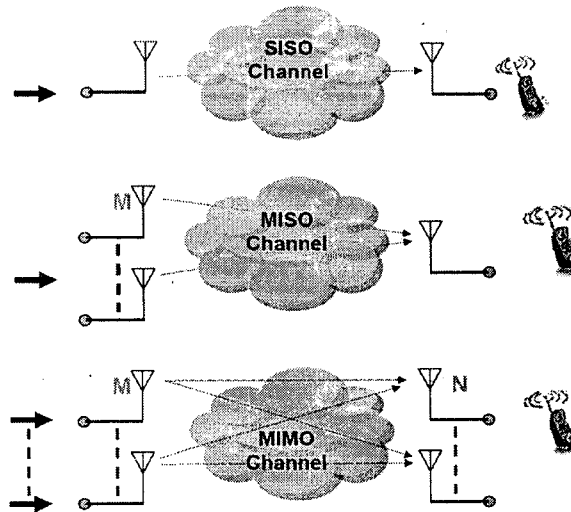
- ❑ **Inter-cell interference randomization**
 - Cell specific scrambling/ frequency hopping
- ❑ **Inter-cell interference cancellation**
 - Implentation specific scheme/IDMA
- ❑ **Inter-cell interference coordination**
 - Semi-static coordination of frequency resource allocations between neighbor cells to minimize the overlapping of DL transmission in the same frequency band



MIMO scheme [1/3]



□ MIMO (Multiple Input Multiple Output) Concept



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MIMO scheme [2/3]



□ Why MIMO?

- MIMO increases the capacity
 - ✓ Independent streams can be transmitted from each Tx antenna
 - ✓ Same resources can be used for each stream → no waste in resource
- MIMO boosts the peak rate and increases downlink spectral efficiency
- Generalization of Tx diversity with multiple Rx antennas
 - ✓ Multiple stream transmission offers new perspectives compared to Tx diversity + Rx diversity
- Provides performance improvements for
 - ✓ High scattering environment
 - ✓ High SNR
 - ✓ Low to medium mobility

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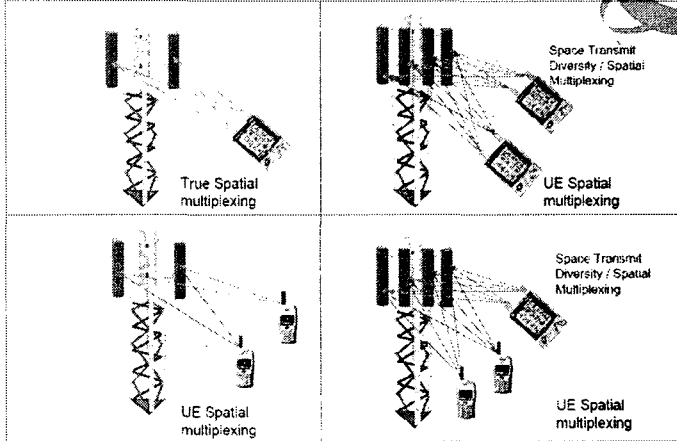
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MIMO scheme [3/3]



Virtual MIMO

Uplink MIMO configuration Scenario



Evolved UTRAN Architecture [1/3]

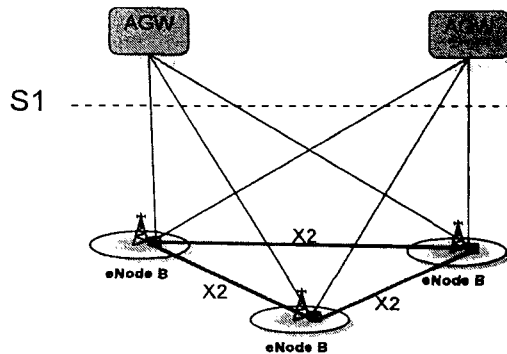


LTE Architecture with new interface

Simplified two-node network architecture

✓ Only enhanced Node B (eNB) and Access Gateway (AGW)

c.f.) 4 nodes in UMTS: NB-RNC-SGSN-GGSN



E-UTRAN Architecture

Evolved UTRAN Architecture [2/3]



□ LTE Architecture with new interface

- AGW (Access Gateway)
 - ✓ U-plane: UPE
 - ✓ C-plane: MME
- eNB (enhanced Node B)
 - ✓ U-plane: PHY/MAC
 - ✓ C-plane: RRC
- X2 Interface
 - ✓ Interconnection between eNBs
 - ✓ Meshed connection
- S1 Interface
 - ✓ Interconnection between eNB and AGW
 - ✓ Many:Many connection between eNB and AGW

Evolved UTRAN Architecture [3/3]



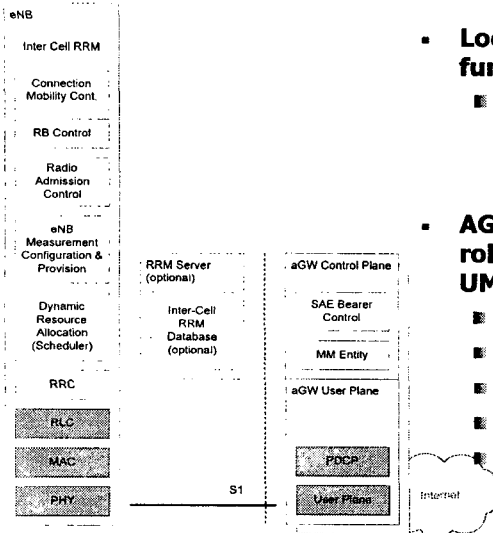
□ Network architecture for Macro Diversity

- No inter-Node B macro diversity for Downlink
- No inter-Node B macro diversity for Uplink
- Fast cell switching or fast handover should be investigated further
- Single frequency network (SFN) for broadcast traffic is being considered positively (However, synchronized network is not basic assumption for EUTRAN)

LTE Protocol Architecture [1/3]



Overall protocol architecture



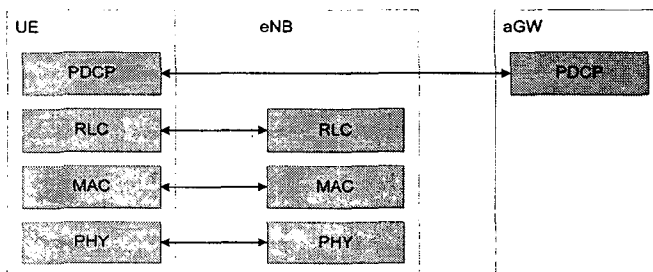
- **Locating most of radio functions at eNB**
 - Faster control of radio transmissions
 - ✓ **RRC/RLC@eNB in LTE vs. RRC/RLC@RNC in UTRAN**
- **AGW(MME/UPE) have similar role of the SGSN/GGSN in UMTS**
 - Paging origination
 - LTE_IDLE state management
 - Ciphering of the user plane
 - PDCP
 - SAE Bearer Control

LTE Protocol Architecture [2/3]



User plane protocol stack

- RLC/MAC (terminated in eNB on the network side)
 - ✓ Scheduling/ARQ/HARQ
- Security (terminated in aGW on the network side)
 - ✓ Ciphering/Integrity protection (FFS)
- PDCP (terminated in aGW on the network side)
 - ✓ Header Compression.

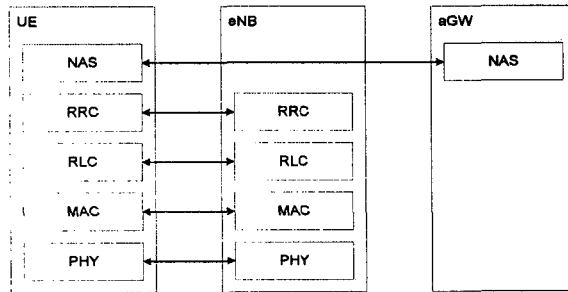


LTE Protocol Architecture [3/3]



Control plane protocol stack

- RLC/MAC (terminated in eNB on the network side)
- RRC (terminated in eNB on the network side)
 - ✓ Broadcast/Paging/RRC conn manage/RB control
 - ✓ /Mobility functions/UE measurement reporting&control.
- NAS (terminated in aGW on the network side)
 - ✓ SAE bearer management/Authentication/Idle mode mobility handling/Paging origination/Security control

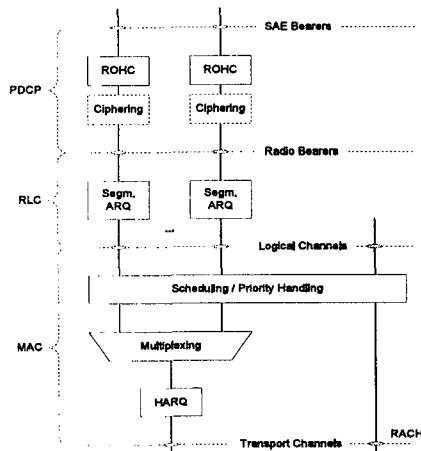


LTE layer2 protocol [1/2]



UE Side L2 Structure

- Similar to UTRA Layer 2 at this moment
- PDCP (Packet Data Conference Protocol)
 - ✓ ROHC (Robust Header Compression)
- RLC (Radio Link Control)
 - ✓ ARQ function
 - ✓ Segmentation etc.
- MAC (Medium Access Control)
 - ✓ Channel Multiplexing
 - ✓ HARQ
 - ✓ Scheduling

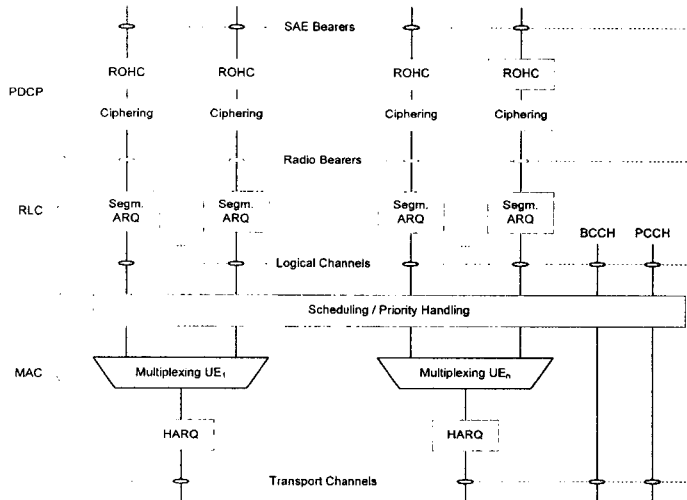


Layer 2 Structure for UL in UE

LTE layer2 protocol [2/2]



□ Network Side L2 Structure



Layer 2 Structure for DL in eNB and aGW

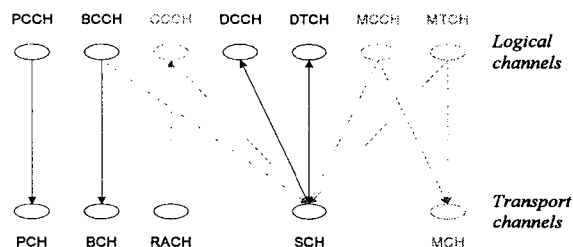
LTE radio channels



□ Characteristic

- Tempting to reduce number of channel types
 - ✓ Most of signaling & traffic are carried on SCH (Shared Channel)
- However, BCH/PCH/RACH still remain
 - ✓ BCH (Broadcast Channel) for System Information
 - ✓ PCH (Paging Channel) for Paging
 - ✓ RACH (Random Access) e.g. for Initial Cell Access

□ Channel Mapping



Mapping between Logical Channels and Transport Channels @ MAC layer