

# NETWORK COOPERATION FOR ENERGY SAVING IN GREEN RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

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- Green Communications Network Design Objectives:

1. Reduce the amount of energy consumption by the networks' BSs
2. Maintain a satisfactory QoS for the users

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## Motivations for Green Radio Communications



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graph TD; A["Motivations for Green Radio Communications"] --> B["Service Provider's Financial Considerations  
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# Energy Saving at Network Level

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## Solutions for Energy Aware Infrastructure



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graph TD; A["Solutions for Energy Aware Infrastructure"] --> B["Renewable Energy Sources  
- Reduce CO2 emissions by using renewable energy  
- Reliability issues"]; A --> C["Heterogeneous Cell Sizes  
- Macro-cells → Femto-cells  
- Balance of different cell sizes is required"]; A --> D["Dynamic Planning  
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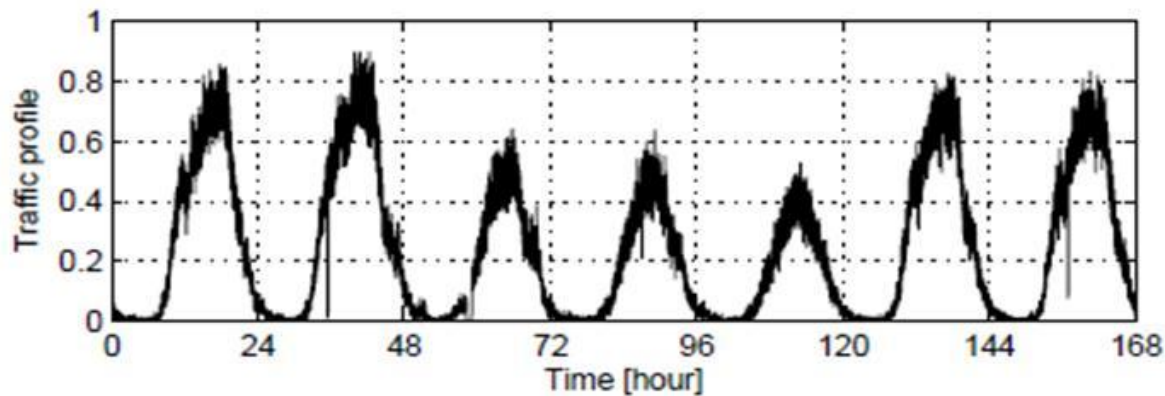
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# Dynamic Planning

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- Temporal fluctuations in traffic load



## Resources on-off Switching

Radio transceivers of  
active BSs

Entire BS switch-off



# Dynamic Planning Cont.

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- Dynamic planning challenges

Service Provision Guarantee

Increase cell  
radii

- Increase transmission power

Relaying  
mechanism

- Unreliable for delay sensitive applications

Network  
cooperation

- Alternately switch on-off resources

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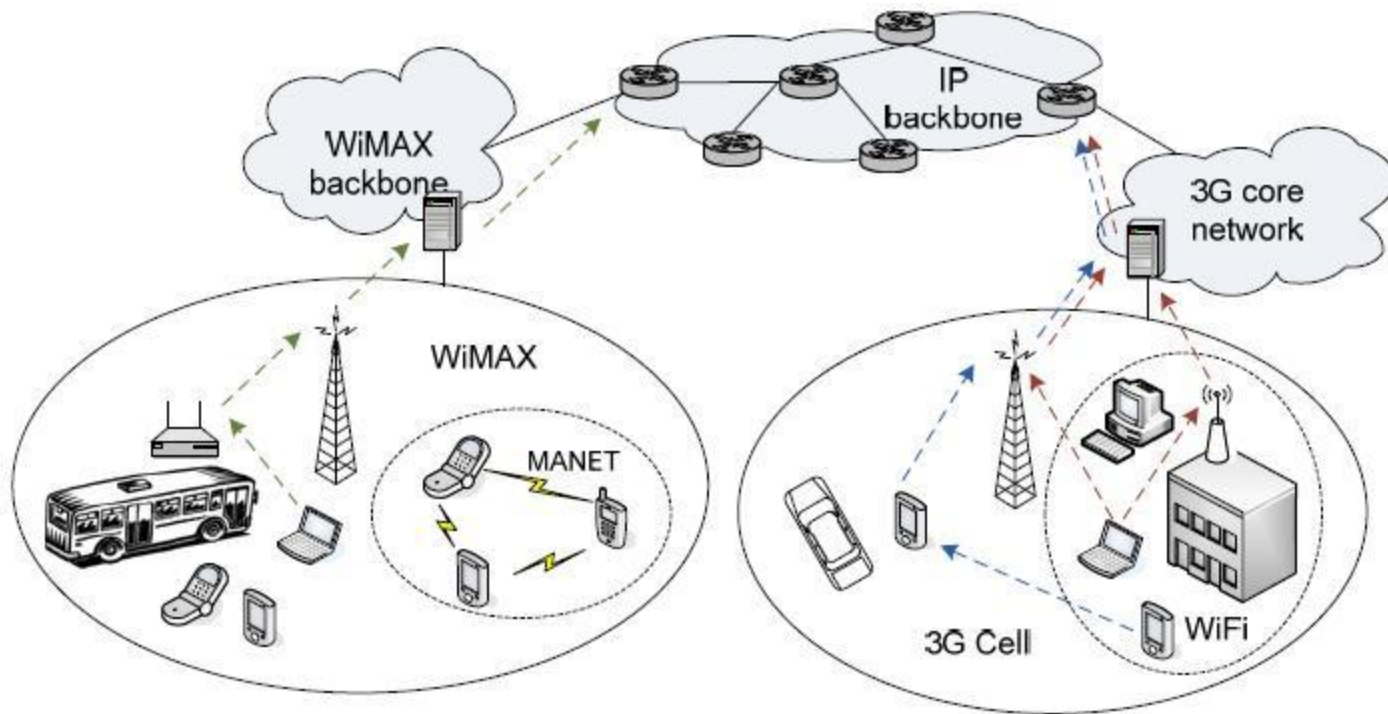
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## Heterogeneous wireless communication network



# Heterogeneous Medium Cont.

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## Potential Benefits of Cooperative Networking

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graph TD; A["Potential Benefits of Cooperative Networking"] --> B["Mobile Users"]; A --> C["Networks"]; B --> B1["- Always best connection"]; B --> B2["- Multi-homing"]; C --> C1["- Relaying"]; C --> C2["- Load balance"]; C --> C3["- Energy saving"];
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### Mobile Users

- Always best connection
- Multi-homing

### Networks

- Relaying
- Load balance
- Energy saving

# Proposal

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- In this article:

- Employ cooperative networking to achieve energy saving and avoid dynamic planning shortcomings
- Networks with overlapped coverage alternately switch on-off: 1. BSs, 2. radio transceivers of active BSs according to call traffic load conditions

# Proposal Cont.

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- Develop an optimal resource on-off switching framework:

1. Captures the stochastic nature of call traffic load
2. Adapts to temporal fluctuations in the call traffic load
3. Maximize the amount of energy saving under service quality constraints in a cooperative networking environment

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# System Model

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- Cellular/ WiMAX system

- $N$  cellular network cells covered by WiMAX BS

- $C$  channels available in cellular network BS  $\rightarrow k_{cn}$  active channels

- $M$  channels available in WiMAX network BS  $\rightarrow k_{wn}$  active channels

- $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N, x_{N+1}]$   
Vector of BSs working modes in the overlapped coverage area

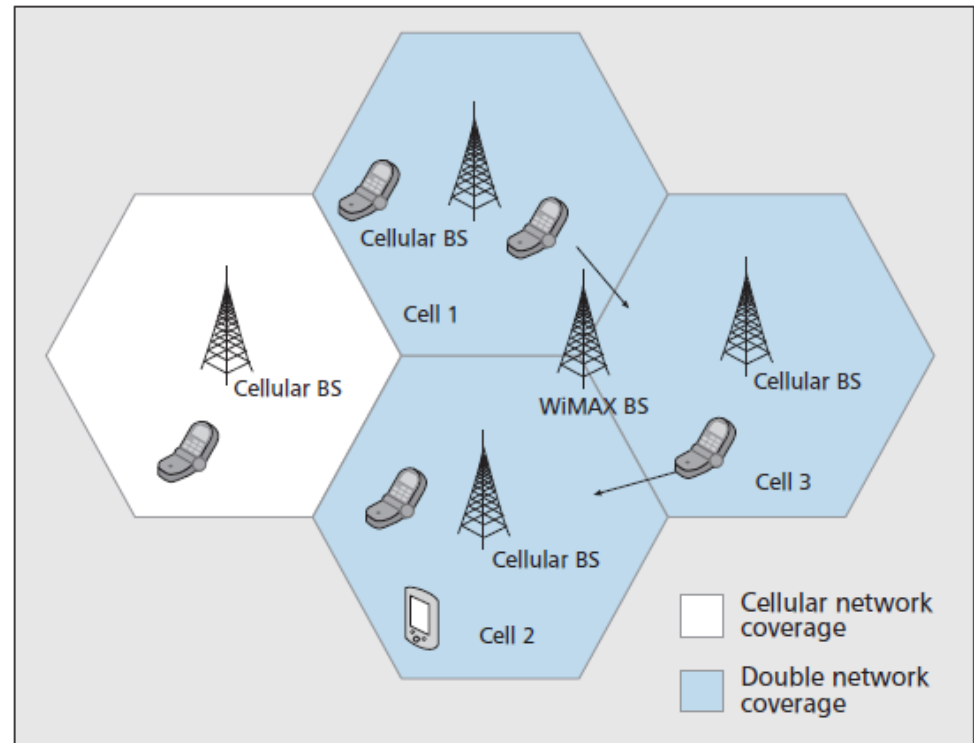


Figure 1. The network coverage areas.



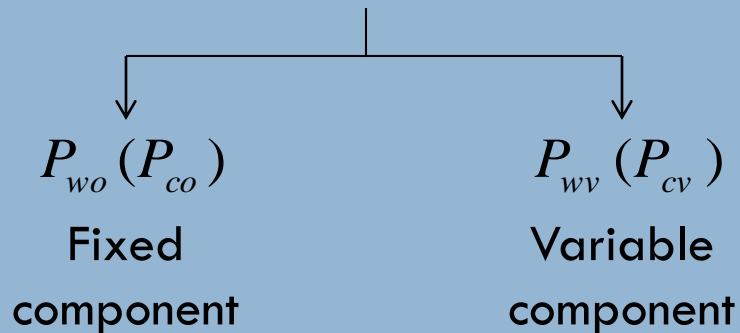
# System Model Cont.

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- Power Consumption model

$$P_w(P_c)$$

Total power consumption of  
WiMAX(Cellular) BS



$P_{wf}(P_{cf})$  Power consumption of  
inactive BS

$\beta P_{wo}(\beta P_{co})$  Switching cost

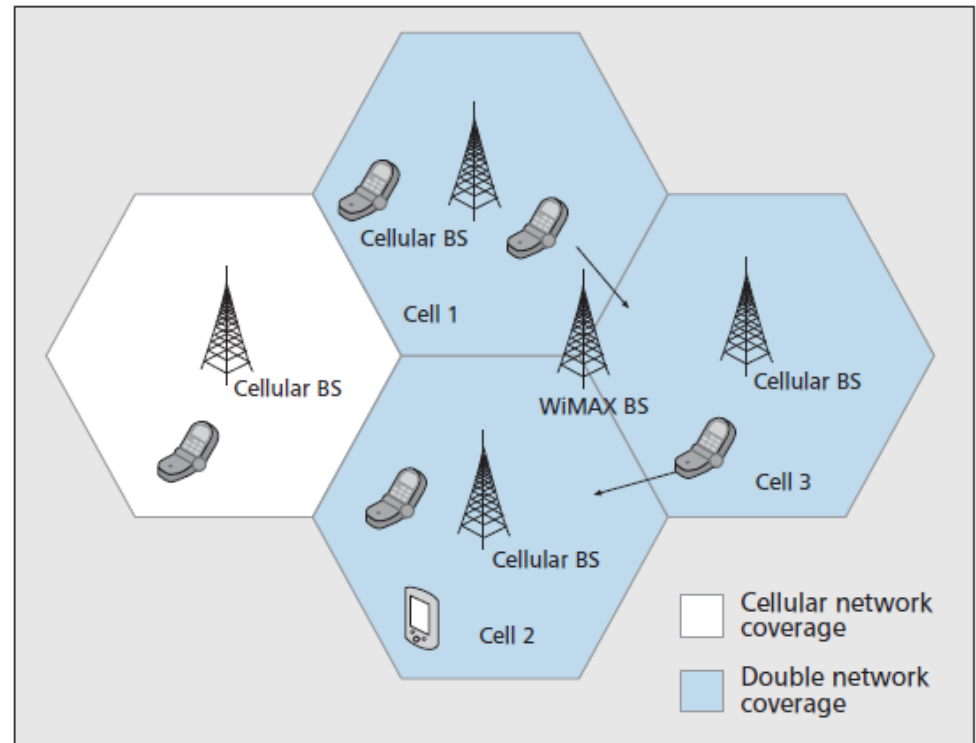


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# System Model Cont.

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- Call traffic and mobility Assumptions:

A1. New call arrivals to cell  $n \rightarrow$  Poisson process with mean arrival rate  $\nu_n$

A2. Handoff call arrivals to cell  $n \rightarrow$  Poisson process with mean arrival rate  $\nu_n$

A3. MT dwell time  $\rightarrow$  exponential distribution with mean  $1/\eta$

A4. Call duration  $\rightarrow$  exponential distribution with mean  $1/\mu$

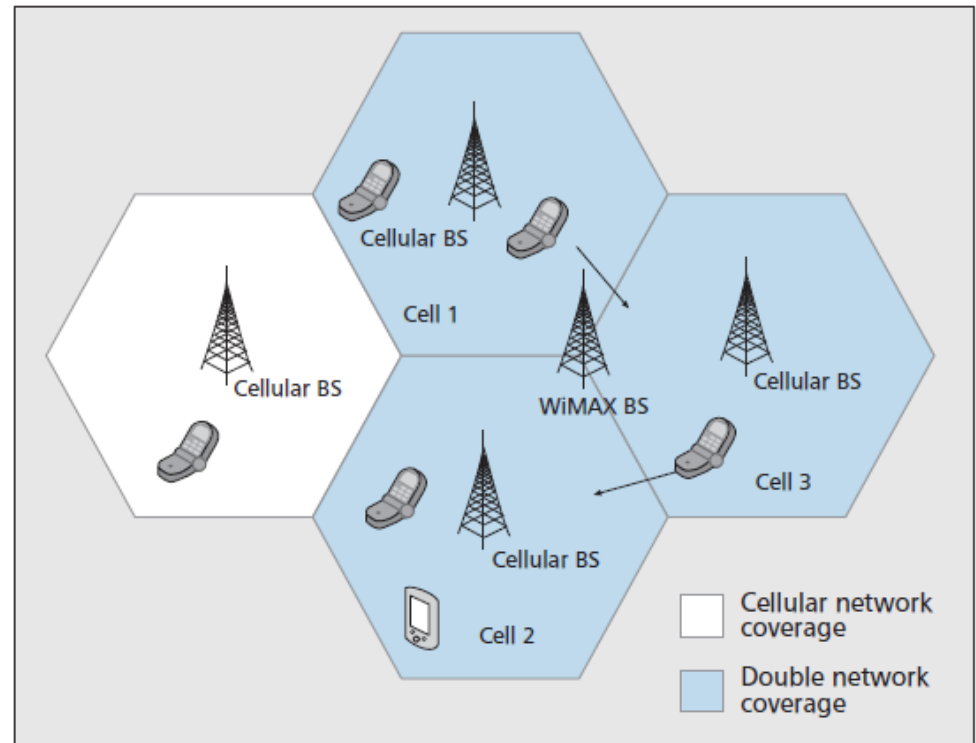
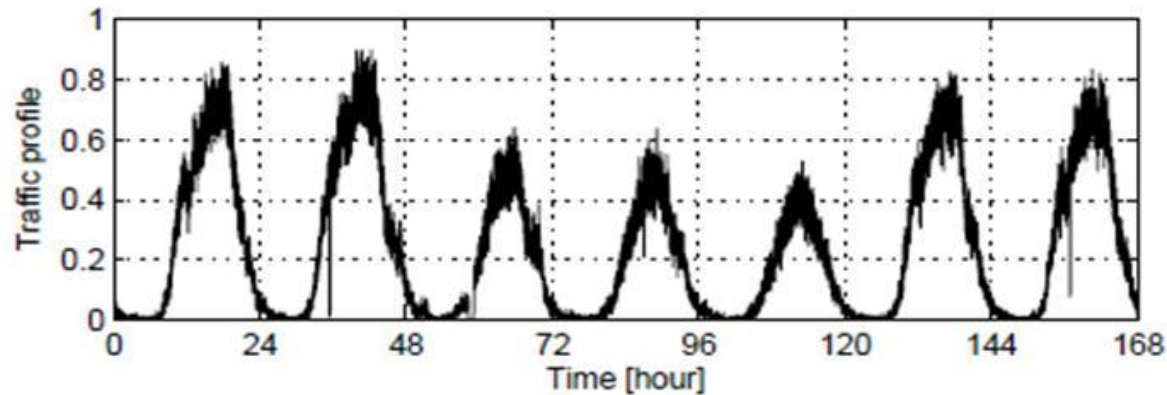


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## Call Traffic Load Fluctuations

Large Scale Fluctuations

$$T = \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$$

$$T = 24 / \tau$$

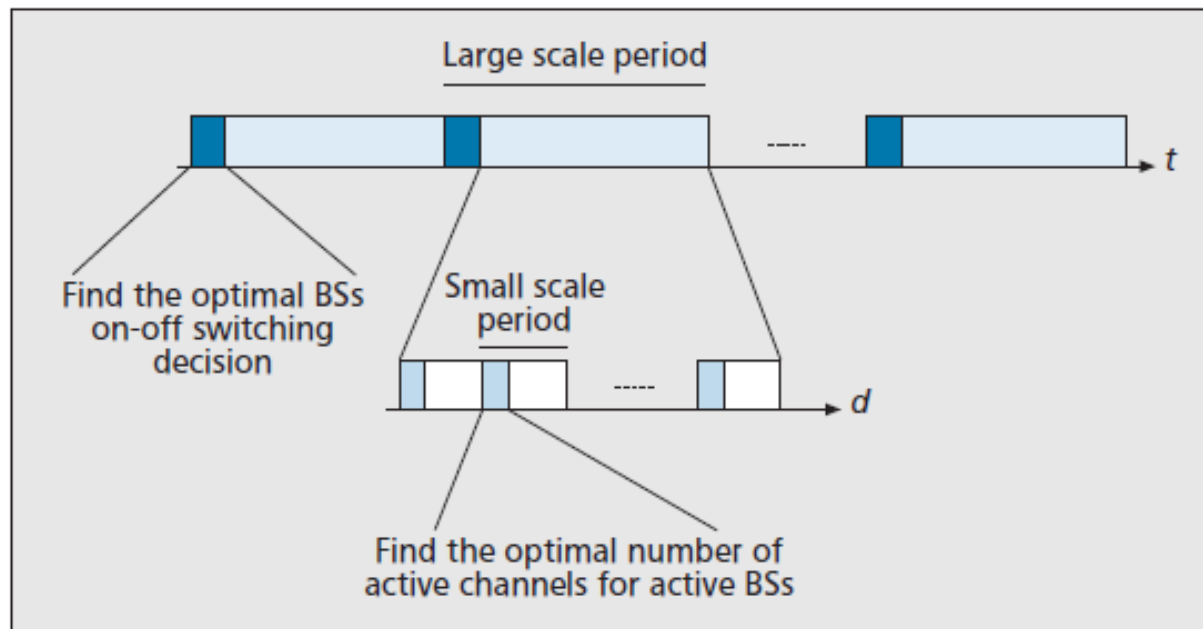
Small Scale Fluctuations

$$D = \{1, 2, \dots, D\}$$

$$D = \tau / \Lambda$$

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**Figure 2.** Time sequence of optimization events for the network cooperation energy saving framework.

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- Decision on BS Working Mode:

- Maximize energy saving
- Minimize the frequency at which BS changes its working mode from inactive to active
- Achieve acceptable service quality (call blocking probability)
- Ensure radio coverage in the overlapped area

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## • Large Scale Optimization Problem:

$$\max_{S_n > 0, J, X} \left\{ \alpha \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N (P_c - P_n) + (P_w - P_{N+1}) \right] - (1 - \alpha) \left[ \sum_{n=1}^N \Delta P_n + \Delta P_{N+1} \right] \right\}$$

$$s.t. \quad \frac{(\lambda_n / \mu_u)^{S_n} / S_n!}{\sum_{s=1}^{S_n} ((\lambda_n / \mu_u)^s / S!)} \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall n \in N$$

$$x_{N+1} = \begin{cases} 1, & \exists S_n > C, n \in N \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^N x_n = \begin{cases} N, & x_{N+1} = 0 \\ J, & x_{N+1} = 1, \sum_{n=1}^N S_n \leq M + JC \end{cases}$$

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- Small Scale Optimization Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{S_n > 0} & \left\{ x_n \cdot [P_c - (P_{co} + k_{cn} P_{cv})] + x_{N+1} \cdot [P_w - (P_{wo} + k_{wn} P_{wv})] \right\} \\ \text{s.t.} & \quad \frac{(\lambda_n / \mu_u)^{S_n} / S_n!}{\sum_{s=1}^{S_n} ((\lambda_n / \mu_u)^s / s!)} \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall n \in N \end{aligned}$$

# Performance Evaluation

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Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
$C$	10	$P_c$	400 W	$\tau$	1 hour
$M$	72	$P_{co}$	250 W	$\Lambda$	15 minutes
$P_w$	1500 W	$P_{cf}$	10 W	$\alpha$	0.5
$P_{wo}$	400 W	$1/\eta$	4 min	$\beta$	0.1
$P_{wf}$	30 W	$1/\mu$	6 min	$\varepsilon$	0.01

Table 1. System parameters.

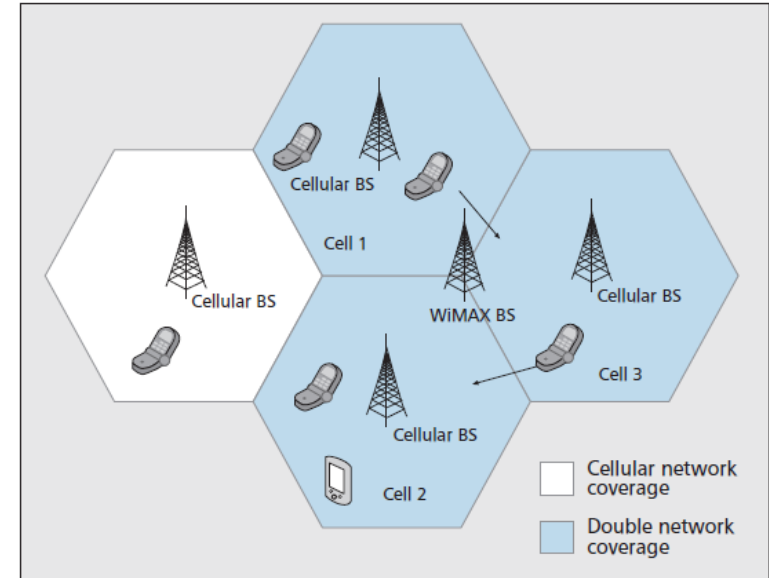


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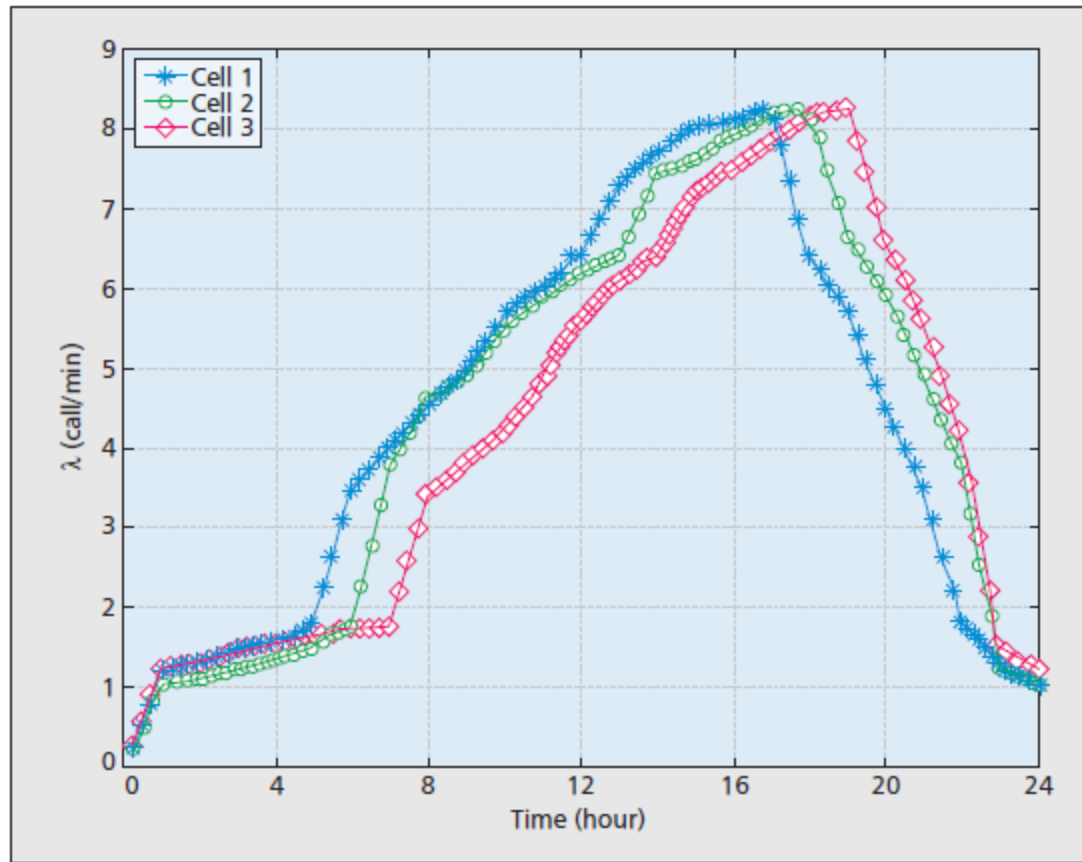


Figure 3. The aggregate traffic mean arrival rate in each cell.

# Performance Evaluation Cont.

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Period	1–5	6–12	13–14	15–19	20	21–23	24
X	1110	0001	1001	1101	0101	0001	1110

**Table 2.** *BS working mode.*

BS	Cellular 1	Cellular 2	Cellular 3	WiMAX
% Saving	44.68%	48.75%	73.13%	24.5%

**Table 3.** *Percentage energy saving without small scale optimization*

BS	Cellular 1	Cellular 2	Cellular 3	WiMAX
% Saving	46.33%	50.31%	74.06%	34.45%

**Table 4.** *Percentage energy saving with small scale optimization*

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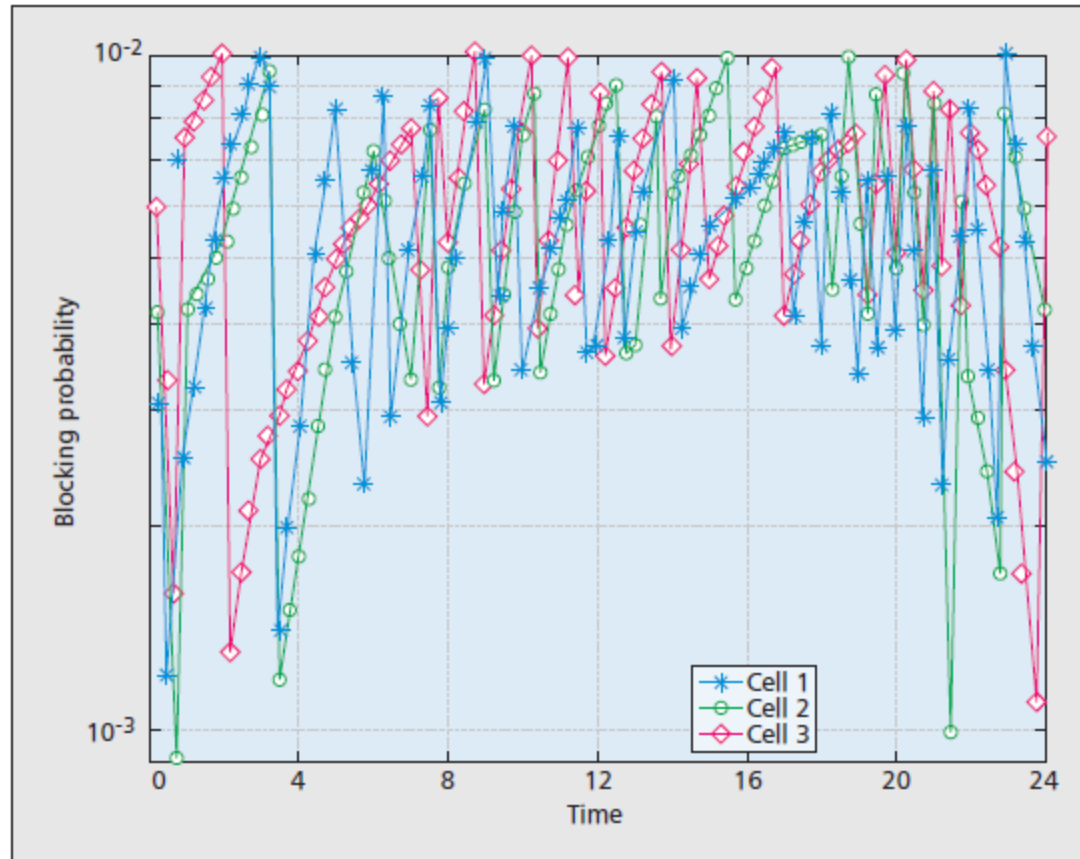


Figure 4. Call blocking probability in each cell with the optimal number of active channels from the on BSs.

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- Network cooperation for energy saving on two scales:
  - Large scale: networks with overlapped coverage alternately switch their BSs according to long-term traffic load fluctuations
  - Small scale: active BSs switches its channels according to short-term traffic load fluctuations
- Satisfactory service quality in terms of call blocking and large percentage of energy saving, ensure radio coverage
- Service quality constraints can be extended to: minimum achieved throughput for data applications and delay and delay-jitter for video streaming applications
- Incurred cost: synchronization overhead required

# THANK YOU !

For more information please refer to: M.Ismail and W.Zhuang, "Network cooperation for energy saving in green radio communications," IEEE Wireless Communications, Vol. 18, No. 5, Oct. 2011.