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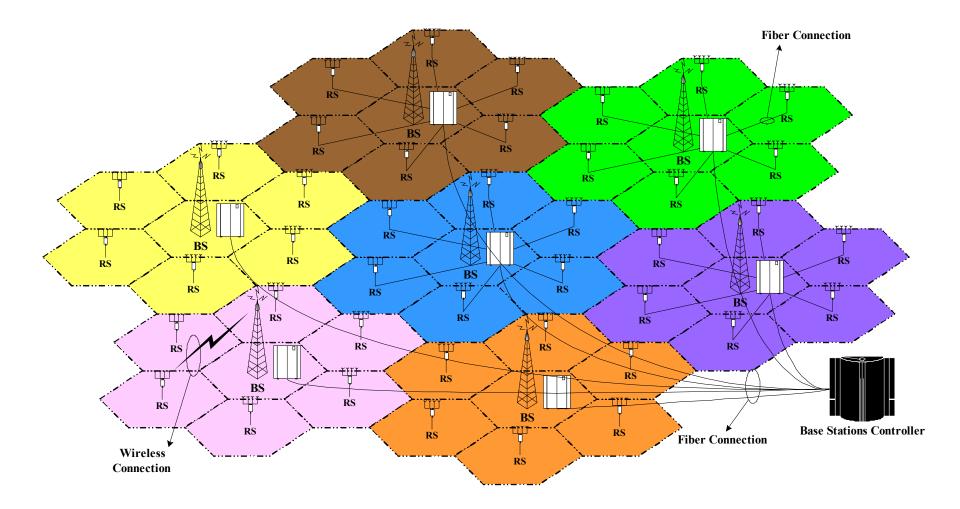
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# Outline

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## Relay-augmented Cellular Architectures



# **Classification of Relay Scenarios**

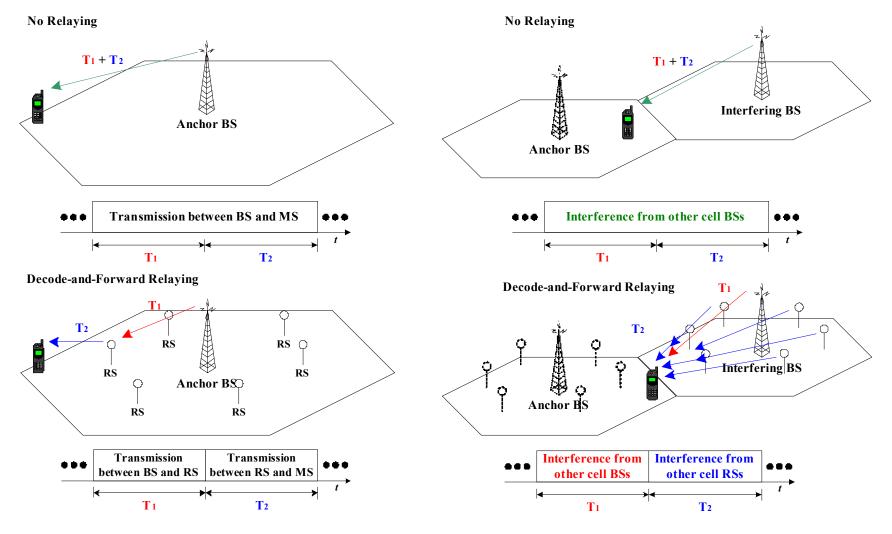
- Classified by function of relay station (RS)
  - Amplify-and-Forward
    - Analog repeater, less delay.
  - Decode-and-Forward
    - Digital repeater, more delay.
- Classified by interfaces of BS↔MS and RS↔MS transmission
  - Homogeneous
    - BS $\leftrightarrow$ MS and RS $\leftrightarrow$ MS transmissions are both in the same interface
      - Ex. Both are in IEEE 802.16 air-interface
  - Heterogeneous
    - BS↔MS and RS↔MS transmissions are in difference interfaces
      - Ex. BS↔MS in analog fiber interface, RS↔MS in IEEE 802.16 air-interface
- Classified by the mobility of relay station
  - **Fixed relay** (considered in following study cases)
  - Mobile relay

## **Classification of Relay Scenarios**

### **Downlink Homogeneous Relaying**

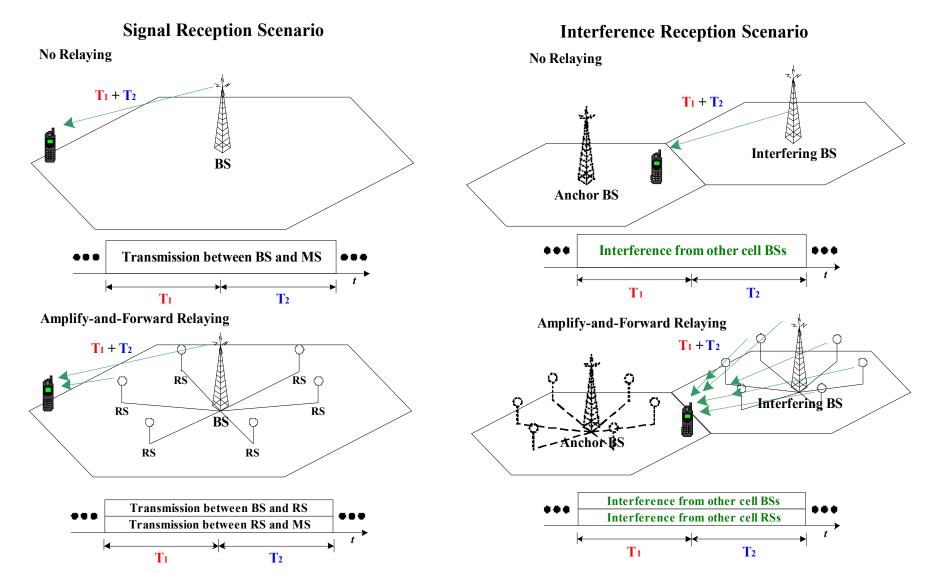
#### **Signal Reception Scenario**

**Interference Reception Scenario** 



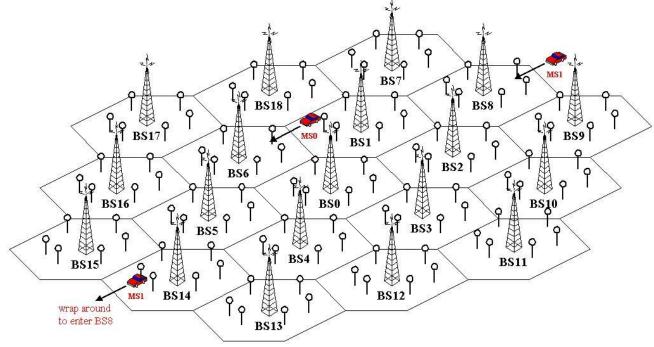
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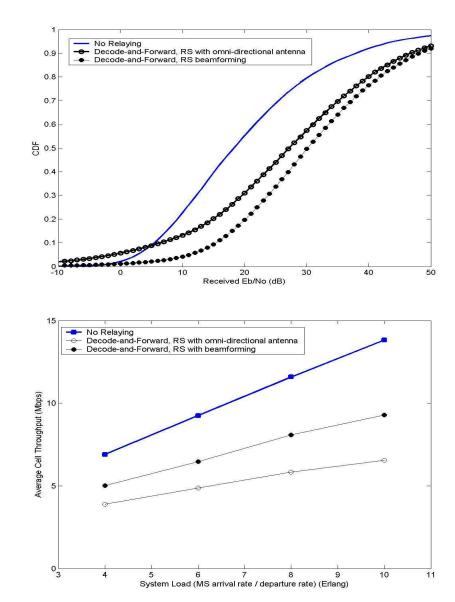
## Simulation Results

- Relay-augmented cellular OFDMA system
  - Downlink transmission
  - 19 cells with universal frequency reuse and FUSC permutation
  - Each cell has with 6 sectors and 2km coverage
  - Each cell has 6 relay stations (RS) with half base station (BS) coverage
  - Radio bandwidth: 6MHz (2048 sub-carriers)
  - <u>Vehicular</u> test environment



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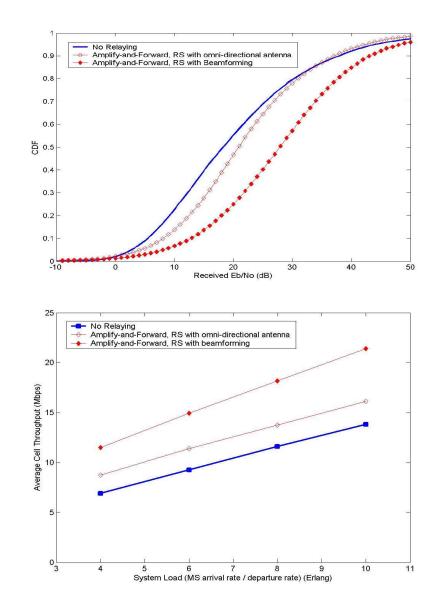
- Case I
  - <u>Homogeneous</u> <u>decode-and</u> <u>forward</u> relaying
- Observations
  - Data rate coverage becomes more uniform by increasing the percentage of high order modulation usage
  - Throughput is reduced by time division for BS↔MS and RS↔MS transmissions
  - Beamforming on RS can further improve performances by <u>increasing antenna gain</u> and <u>reducing interference</u>



# Simulation Results

• Case II

- Heterogeneous amplify-andforward relay
- Observation
  - Data rate coverage becomes more uniform by increasing the percentage of high order modulation usage
  - Throughput is increased by higher percentage of high order modulation usage
  - Beamforming on RS can further improve performances by <u>increasing antenna gain</u> and <u>reducing interference</u>



# Summary

- Different relay deployment scenarios may lead to various performances tradeoffs
  - Ex. When hop count increased, there may be a tradeoff between transmission rate and overall cell throughput.
  - Before choosing relay scenarios, the objective of relay deployment should be ensured first.
- **Interference avoidance** may provide substantial performances improvement in relay-augmented cellular systems
  - Up to <u>36%</u> throughput improvement was achieved in simulation results by applying beamforming on RSs
  - For decode-and-forward relaying, cooperation on RSs transmission may be beneficial to reduce the interference from other cell RSs.