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Variations of Infrastructure Multihop

- forwarding links in different dedicated spectrum/Radio
 - Becomes Economic and deployment engineering problems.
 - Enhancements on Conventional wireless backhaul
 - Dedicated spectrum cannot be used flexibly
 - Thus, cheaper spectrum at high frequencies are often used for backhaul.
- Same spectrum for backhaul and user links
 - Same type of radio technology (e.g., all WiFi meshes)
 - Most flexible: Dynamically used in time/frequency/code/tone, etc..
 - Concerns on Capacity Hit compared to conventional systems with same amount of spectrum
 - Must control resource consumption for backhaul
 - Number of hops, modulation efficiency, etc..
- Analyze a simple system to identify basic features needed in standards

Backhaul vs. Tower leasing

- The cost of electronics goes down but the cost of civil engineering, site acquisition & laying fiber remains very high.
- Non MMR:
 - High Backhaul cost & High or Low Tower Cost (depends on cell Radius)
- MMR(6 to 1 cell aggregation):
 - Backhaul (Aggregation) & Low Tower cost (cell radius small)
- Tower related cost become more important as backhaul cost go down
 - → Tower Leasing
 - 2 Backhaul facility
 - $3 \rightarrow$ Customer Acquisition and CPE Subsidy
 - 4 → Maintenance



Assumptions

- Time-shared "centralized MAC" packet radio system
 - 802.16/WiMAX OFDM(A)
 - CDMA EV-DO, UMTS HSDPA
- Equal time per SS under uniform infinite offered traffic
 - Scheduling considerations later, perhaps outside of 16
 - Except measurements to assist scheduling decisions
- Two-hop infrastructure system
 - For now.. Lower complexity and cost
 - Most gain achieved by the first additional hop
 - due to exponential nature of propagation
 - Also in "On the throughput enhancement of multihop relaying" Jaeweon Cho; Haas, Z.J., JSAC, V 22, I 7, Sept. 2004, P 1206 – 1219

Assumptions

- "Low complexity" RS
 - Smaller and lower height than BS, but higher than SS
 - Infrastructure RS
 - Single radio communicating with both SS and BS
 - Omni directional antenna to serve SS
 - Similar complexity as SS except
 - May use Directional antenna for RS-BS link
 - Alternate between antennas using simple switch
- Capacity Limited system
 - Coverage advantage is obvious and previously studied
 - Examine the hit on user traffic capacity due to multihop relaying

Mesh Sector

- Place RS near Sector boundary
 - Omni for RS
 - Symmetric, Simple, Shorter range.
 - Maximum benefit in terms of path gain
 - With smallest number of RS with Omni antenna
- Red RS using the same RF channel as the supporting red BS
 - Same reuse pattern as conventional systems
- Green RS belongs to the facing sector
 - Can switch sectors depending on load



Simple Analysis

- Resource reuse feasible?
- If so, Sector throughput gain?
- Analytical formulation for worst case multi-cell arrangement indicates "Yes" to both questions.



Intra-Sector Scheduling Approach

- Compatible with 802.16 PMP frame structure
 - One possible frame structure



Mesh Sector Analyzed



Simulation Parameters

Frequency reuse	(1,6,6) 🔶 & (1,3,6)	
Cell radius	1000 m	
BS gain	20 dB	
RS gain	0 dB	
BS height	30 m	
RS height	15 m	
SS height	2 m	
Transmit power	30 dBm	
Power control	No, for now	
Path loss model	Erceg-Greenstein	
	(aka. 802.16 model)	

Simulation Parameters - Rates

- 6 MHz channel
- Representative values for 802.16/WiMAX
 - Continuous capacity analysis tends to be optimistic
 - Lower yet more robust rates are available but not simulated.

Modulation	Code Rate	Required SINR (dB)	Data Rate (Mbps)
QPSK	1/2	6.6	6.0
16-QAM	1/2	10.5	12.0
64-QAM	2/3	15.3	24.0
64-QAM	3/4	20.8	27.0

Directional Antenna Pattern



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Multi-Cell Scenario without RS Reuse pattern (1,6,6)



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Multi-Cell Scenario without RS

 No log normal fading



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Multi-Cell Scenario without RS

 With log normal fading



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Multi-Cell Scenario with RS Reuse pattern (1,6,6)



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Multi-Cell Scenario with RS





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Throughput Comparison: (1,6,6)



QPSK _ Outage Comparison (1,6,6)



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SS Data Rate Comparison



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Throughput Comparison: (1,3,6)



QPSK _ Outage Comparison (1,3,6)



Conclusions

- (1,6,6) system with 6 mBS per cell shows:
 - QPSK _ Outage improvement around 80 %
 - Overall sector throughput improves from 16 Mbps to 21 Mbps
- Less Gains under more severe interference situations: e.g., (1,3,6)
- Capacity improvement in multihop forwarding system more than compensates for radio resources diverted towards RS - BS Link
 - If simultaneous scheduling is supported.
 - Without sophisticated interference management

Implications on PAR/5C & Future Work

- Smaller Scope is more realistic for quick standardization
 - Basic well-understood toolkit for multiple scenarios and solutions
 - Limit to infrastructure fixed/nomadic RS?
 - Less impact on SS, but don't impose "don't touch SS" requirement
 - Provides large and immediate benefits in coverage and economics
 - General solution for arbitrary number of hops is harder than 1 or 2 additional hops? Too restrictive?
 - Additional PARs for further scenarios as current draft solidifies
 - Perhaps 2 or 3 PARs needed in staggered time schedule
- Mechanisms to support intra-sector spatial reuse
 - Channel/Interference measurement mechanisms: Examine existing methods and extend
 - Scheduling/Identification mechanisms

Implications on PAR/5C & Future Work

- Layer 2 routing remains transparent to SS Host OS.
 - Consider (M)RSTP from 802.1, though may not be optimal
 - Request extensions to 802.1?
 - Channel condition assisted routing decisions
 - e.g., "is RS-BS link fast enough to bother?"
- Multihop CID management
 - More compatible to 802.16, but scope, uniqueness, conflict, aggregation, assignment
- or MAC address inside BS-RS links?
 - Simpler routing and identity management, but overhead.
- Scheduling coordination among RS and BS?
 - Fragmentation and buffering btw two hops
- BS and RS may appear as BS to SS
 - If BS MAP controls all, coverage extension limited, but simpler?
 - ARQ independence for RS: Quicker turnaround
 - Better backward compatibility
 - Implications on the complexity of RS

Spellings suggested by PowerPoint

- Multihop
 → Ultimo
- Saha → Saga
- Erceg → Erect (Erect-Greenstein model)
- dBm → dam
- WiFi → Wife