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Introduction

In this contribution, we show ...

- Throughput improvement that can be achieved by fixed relay
 - Coverage advantage is obvious and previously studied
 - Comparison: Single-hop vs. Repeater vs. Multi-hop
 - In Manhattan-like urban environment
 - For best-effort type service in down- and up-links
- Utilization of wired relay
 - Employing both wired and wireless relays can provide a significant flexibility in deployment and operation of wireless networks

Manhattan Urban Environment

- Deployment model
 - Total 49 BS's, Block size: 200 m, Road width: 30 m
 - Frequency reuse = 1



RS Deployment Model

- Number of RS's per BS = 4
- Frequency reuse among relays = 1 or 4





Statistical data from the center cell are collected.

Frame Structure Model

- TDD OFDMA
- Dedicated RS: no data source/sink (infrastructure type), 2-hop relay
- Assumed a homogeneous network with uniform traffic density



Frequency Reuse among Relays

- Frequency reuse factor among RS-MS links (K_r)
 - $K_r = 4$: Different channel for each RS



- $K_r = 1$: Same channel for all RS's



Pathloss Model

- 3GPP Model ^[1]
 - Min(manhattan pathloss, macro pathloss)
 - Manhattan pathloss:

$$L = 20 \cdot \log_{10}(\frac{4\pi d_n}{\lambda} \cdot D(\sum_{j=1}^n s_{j-1})) \qquad D(x) = \begin{cases} x/x_{br}, \ x > x_{br} \\ 1, \ x \le x_{br} \end{cases}$$



- Macro pathloss (COST Walfish-Ikegami Model):

 $L = 24 + 45 \cdot \log_{10}(d + 20)$

- Lund Univ. Model^[2]
- CNET Model^[3]

 [1] 3GPP TR 101 112, UMTS 30.03, ver. 3.2.0, 1998
 [2] H. Borjeson et al., "Outdoor microcell measurement at 1700MHz," in Proc. IEEE VTC'92
 [3] W. Joe, "Micro-cellular modeling when base station antenna is below roof tops," in Proc. IEEE VTC'04



Pathloss Model (cont'd)

- SINR vs. Pathloss Model
 - Geographical distribution



DL Interference Modeling

• Single-hop system



$$\gamma_{BS} = \frac{P_p \cdot G_{BS} \cdot L_{0,m}}{\sum_{i=1}^{B} P_p \cdot G_{BS} \cdot L_{i,m} + N \cdot NF_{MS}}$$

Repeater System (e.g. optical repeater)



$$\gamma_{BS} = \frac{P_p \cdot G_{BS} \cdot L_{0,m} + \sum_{j=0}^{R'} P_r \cdot G_R \cdot L_{j,m}^{(r)}}{\sum_{i=1}^{B} P_p \cdot G_{BS} \cdot L_{i,m} + \sum_{j=0}^{R-R'} P_r \cdot G_R \cdot L_{j,m}^{(r)} + N \cdot NF_{MS}}$$

 P_{BS_i} : Transmission power of BS *i* (if i=0:serving BS)

- $P_{RS_{i}}^{j}$: Transmission power of RS j in *i*-th cell (if j=0:dedicated RS)
- G': Antenna gain
- $L_{a,b}$: Transmission loss between node a and b

- M_{BS} : Total number of other cell BSs
- M_{RS_i} : Number of RSs in *i*-th cell (if i=0:serving BS)
- T : Index of other cell RS having same index with serving RS in cell 0
- N: Thermal noise power
- NF_{MS} : The noise figure of MS

DL Interference Modeling (cont'd)

- Relay System
 - 3 different links: BS-MS link, BS-RS link, RS-MS link
 - BS-RS link



- RS-MS link



System Model for Evaluation

- System Parameters
 - TX Power: BS 20 W, RS 10 W, MS 200 mW
 - Frequency: 2.3 GHz
 - Bandwidth: 10 MHz
 - Antenna type
 - BS & MS: Omni
 - RS: Directional antenna (15 dBi) for BS-RS link
 Omni for RS-MS link
 - Noise Figure: BS 5 dB, RS 5 dB, MS 9 dB
 - Thermal noise: -174 dBm/Hz
 - Full buffer model

System Model for Evaluation (cont'd)

Antenna height and Break point

Model	Ar	ntenna Height (i	m)	Break Point (km)*				
	BS Ant	RS Ant	MS Ant	BS-MS link	RS-MS link	BS-RS link		
Env ₁	32	12.5	1.6	1.5	0.6	9.5		
Env ₂	12.5	5	1.6	0.6	0.25	1		

Short-term fading channel: PED-A 3km

- Applied 2 different mapping functions (SINR \rightarrow Data rate)
- ① Shannon capacity formula
- 2 Based link-level analysis results (with MCS levels)

$\begin{array}{c} BS\leftrightarrowRS\\ BS\rightarrowMS\\ RS\rightarrowMS \end{array}$	Mod	QPSK				16QAM				64QAM		
	Code rate	1/12	1/6	1/3	1/2	2/3	1/2	2	2/3	5/8	2/:	3
BS ← MS RS ← MS	Mod	QPSK					16QAM					
	Code rate	1/12	1	1/6	1/3	1/2	1/2		1/3	1/2		2/3

* Calculated by using the formula shown in the following paper; H. H. Xia et al., "Radio propagation characteristics for line of sight microcellular and personal communications," IEEE Trans. Antennas and Propagation, Oct. 1993.

SINR Distribution



- SINR performance: Single hop system < Repeater system < Relay system
- As more frequency is reused ($K_r \downarrow$), SINR decreases but a gain from SDMA can be expected
- Higher SINR in Env₂, due to more link attenuation for interference

Effective User Data Rate (DL)



- Effective data rate/MCS level to a user (on single-hop path or 2-hop path)
 - Considered an additional channel resource for relay
 - $R = 1/(1/R_{1st} + 1/R_{2nd})$

where $R_{N \text{ th}}$ is a data rate from Shannon formula or a MCS level for the Nth hop.

[Ref] J. Cho and Z. J. Haas, "On the throughput enhancement of the downstream channel in cellular radio networks through multi-hop relaying," IEEE J-SAC, Sept. 2004.

Effective User Data Rate (UL)



- The effective data rate is affected by peak rate constraint of MS uplink (i.e. 16QAM, 2/3)
 - The biggest impact \Rightarrow Relay with K_r = 4

Cell Throughput (DL)



- Higher cell throughput in Env₂: Interference power is more attenuated.
- Throughput enhancement (Relay with $K_r = 1$ over Single-hop)
 - Shannon: 20% for Env₁, 22% for Env₂

MCS: 22% for Env₁, 30% for Env₂

Cell Throughput (UL)



- Throughput enhancement (Relay with K_r = 1 over Single-hop)
 - Shannon: 38% for Env_1 , 36% for Env_2

MCS: 27% for Env₁, 27% for Env₂

• The enhancement with MSC is less than with Shannon, due to lower peak rate constraint

Wired Relay System

- Penalty for employing relay
 - Additional radio resource for the BS-RS link
- At the initial deployment phase, connect BS and RS with wireless link
 - It allows cheap and rapid deployment
 - Coverage is important issue at the initial stage rather than capacity
- If high traffic flows into later on, then replace the wireless link with a wired line



Performance of Wired Relay



- Throughput enhancement (Relay with K_r = 4 over Single-hop)
 - Shannon: 150% for Env₁, 158% for Env₂ (so, about **2.5** *times* throughput than single-hop)
- A quite large gain can be obtained by replacing wireless RS-BS link with wired line

Summary

- Throughput gain can be obtained through the use of 2-hop relay
 - Appropriate frequency reuse among RS's under a BS can significantly increase the system throughput
 - It can be confirmed that the fixed relay can provide capacity gain as well as coverage advantage
- Deployment strategy for wired and wireless fixed relays
 - At the initial deployment phase: Wireless relay
 - After deployment, if demanded: Replaced with wired relay for hot spot area