



Wireless Broadband Network Design Best Practices

Myths and Truths

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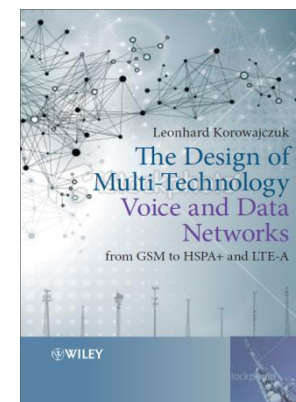
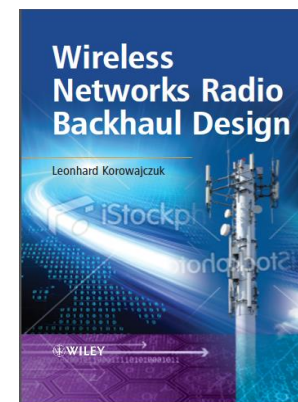
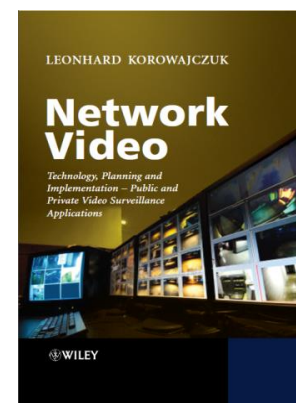
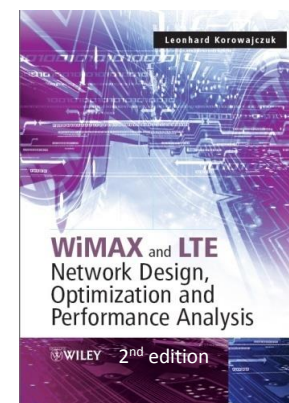
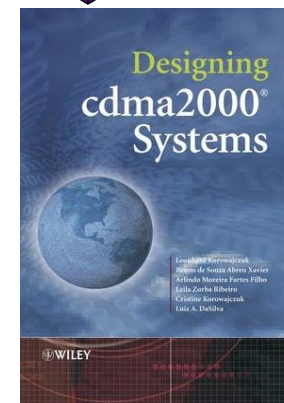
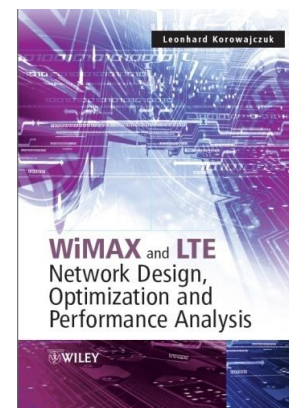
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- Provides planning, design and optimization services
 - Has planned WiMAX and LTE networks worldwide
- Provides field measurements and RF propagation characterization
- Prepares RFPs, selects Vendors and Supports Deployments
- Provides High Level Consulting
- Provides Technology Training
- Provides Managed Services

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- **Leonhard Korowajczuk**

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- Holds 13 patents
- Published books
 - “Designing cdma2000 Systems” published by Wiley in 2006- 963 pages, available in hard cover, e-book and Kindle
 - “LTE , WiMAX and WLAN Network Design, Optimization and Performance Analysis ” published by Wiley in June 2011- 750 pages, available in hard cover, e-book and Kindle
- Books in Preparation:
 - “LTE , WiMAX and WLAN Network Design, Optimization and Performance Analysis ”
 - second edition (2012) LTE-A and 802.16m (1,000+ pages)
 - Network Video: Private and Public Safety Applications (2013)
 - Backhaul Network Design (2013)
 - Multi-Technology Networks: from GSM to LTE (2013)
 - Smart Grids Network Design (2014)



Myths

- You can use the same channel in all your cells (reuse of 1)



- You can have a throughput of 200 Mbps over a 10 MHz channel



- MIMO B (Spatial Multiplexing) will double or quadruple your throughput. You just need to add antennas.








- Your network was designed for a standard 3GPP environment, ETU30 (Extended Typical Urban model) and it will provide indoor coverage



- Link Budget : our equipment can provide indoor coverage at 10 km from the Base Station



Myths

- LTE provides a solution to the Peak to Average Ratio (PAPR) that affects WiMAX 
- LTE provides much more capacity than WiMAX 
- WiMAX UEs will be more expensive than LTE UEs 
- All operators have chosen LTE 
- My car was tested to do 10 km with less than 1 drop of gas
 - I omitted to tell that the test was done downhill 
- Some myths are repeated over and over until became virtual truths

Truths

- Specification Aspects
- Commercial Aspects
- Planning Aspects
- Technical Aspects
- Performance Aspects

Specification Aspects

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- LTE has backtracked in many of its decisions about PAPR
 - SC-OFDM (Single Carrier OFDM) brought several disadvantages that out weighted the advantage
 - Release 10 allows for separated resource blocks, but keeps the shortcomings of SC-OFDM
- LTE does not have a solution for interference management
 - Issue was passed for vendors, resulting in incompatibility between systems
 - SON was offered as a future solution, but papers already indicate that a sound planning beats SON
 - LTE did not adopt permutation, segmentation or zoning used in WiMAX to control interference
 - Vendors are adopting it under the hood
- LTE specs are not compatible between versions
 - Release 8 UEs are not compatible with Release 8.2 UEs and so on
- WiMAX specifications are mature, LTE are still evolving (two to three years away)
- Both technologies do not specify schedulers and vendors are reluctant to share their implementations
 - Suggestion is to WiMAX Forum specify a scheduler

Commercial Aspects

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- Large operators have announced that they will deploy LTE
 - LTE is compatible in many aspects with existing 2G/3G infrastructure
 - *USIM compatibility is the main factor*
 - *Roaming is also a factor, but it has been prejudiced by the excessive band options* The plan was to leverage the GSM/UMTS infrastructure
 - In practice, little of existing infrastructure can be reused
 - Core prices are very high
 - Few did deploy until now
- WiMAX is being supported by
 - Medium and small operators
 - Overlay for large operators
 - Was adopted by the aeronautical industry as the next generation technology
 - Is being adopted by several Power grid operators
 - Is being adopted by the Oil and Gas industry
- **UE/CPE vendors announced that several of their units will be dual mode: WiMAX and LTE**
- WiMAX advantages
 - Lower equipment cost, commercially available infrastructure (IT based), provides larger vendor compatibility
 - Mature specification set, with vendor compatibility, through Plugfests
- LTE advantages
 - If adopted by major operators, will be a source of roaming revenue (restricted by band compatibility)

Planning Aspects

Planning Aspects Truths (Range)

- Link Budget magic: our equipment can provide indoor coverage at 10 km from the Base Station
 - Not really
 - Manipulating link budget parameters will not help in real life
 - Ignoring that the antenna gain is not uniform
 - Using Gaussian fading instead of Rayleigh fading
 - Increasing the FEC code to extremes like 1/12 will reduce throughput to a trickle
 - A 500 m to 1 km is a more realistic distance for indoor coverage

3GPP TR 3.913 v10.0.0

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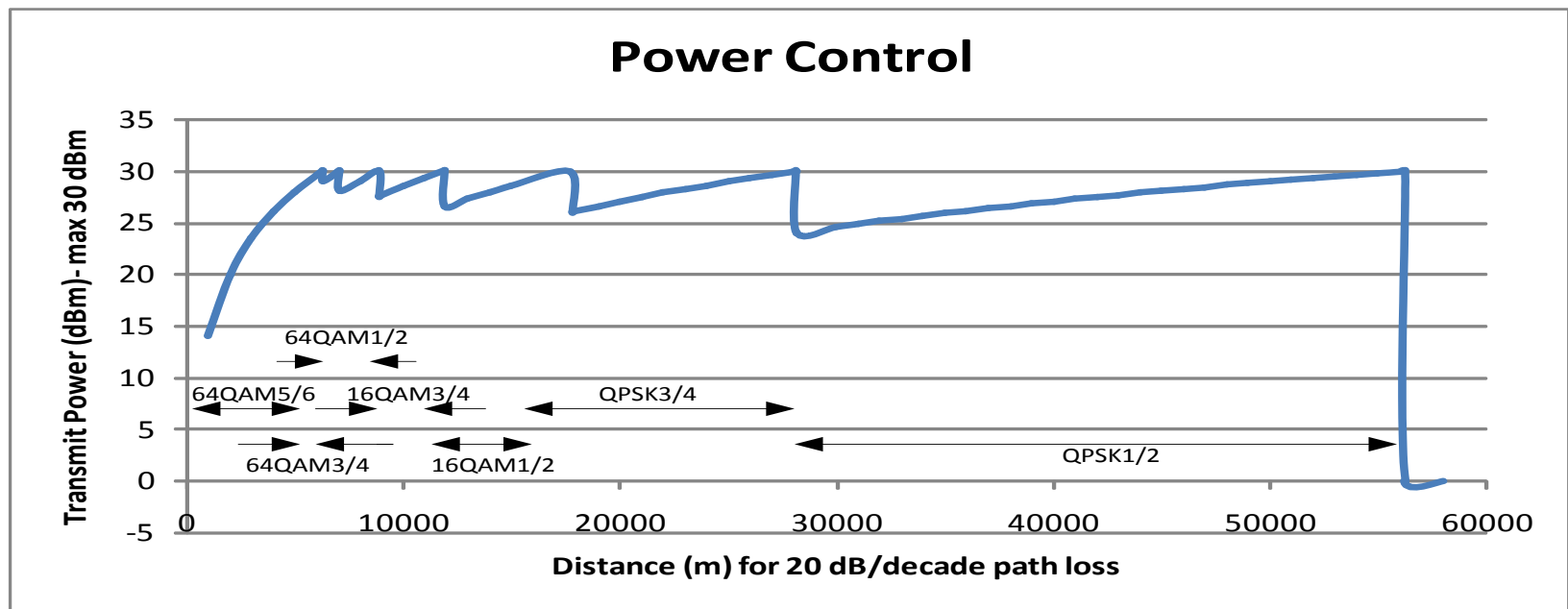
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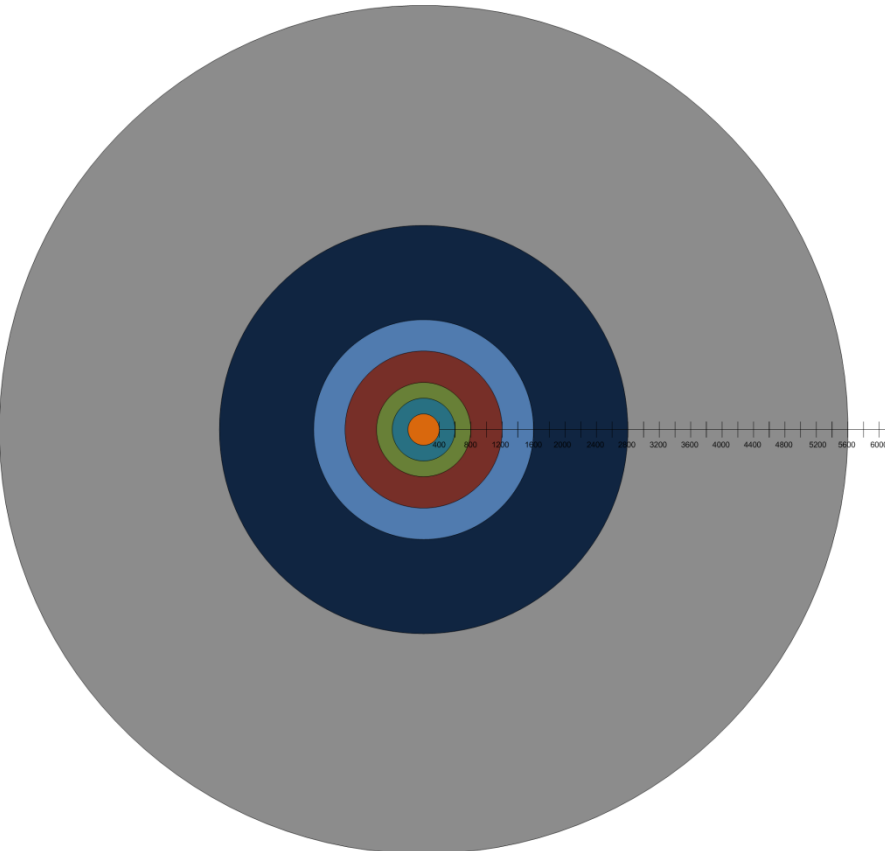
Adaptive Modulation Scheme

- You can have a throughput of 200 Mbps over a 10 MHz channel
 - Not really, even the 3GPP in its best estimates targets 4 bits/s/Hz
 - Real system do average less that 1 bit/s/Hz



Adaptive Modulation Relative Areas

- Unrestricted cell
- Propagation in free space: 20dB/decade
- Percentages will change if cells are closer to each other and lower modulation schemes are not used
- Cell capacity drops with the increase in cell size

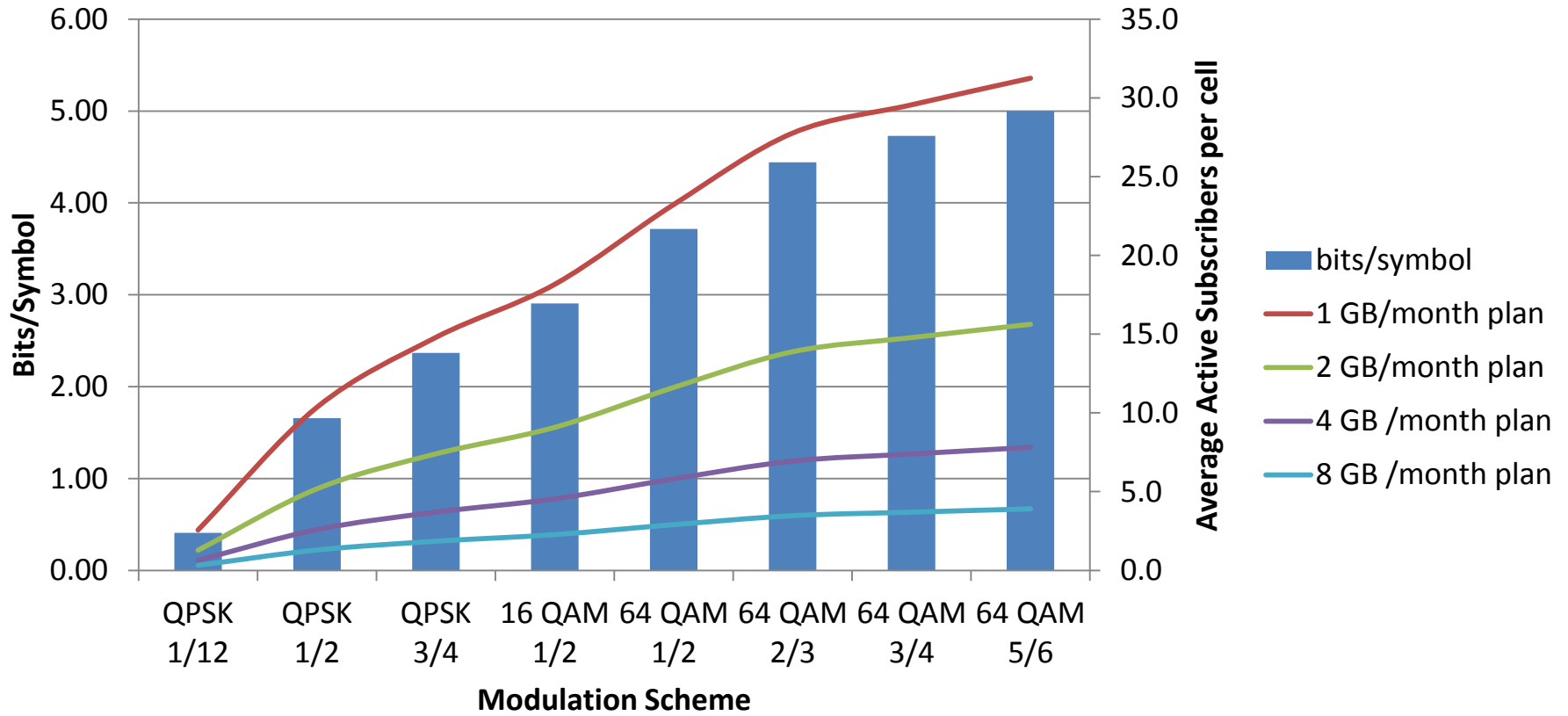


Bits / Symbol			
64QAM 5/6	5	0.5%	64QAM 5/6 (0.4 km ²)
64QAM 3/4	4.5	0.6%	64QAM 3/4 (0.6 km ²)
64QAM 1/2	3	0.9%	64QAM 1/2 (0.8 km ²)
16QAM 3/4	3	2.6%	16QAM 3/4 (1.2 km ²)
16QAM 1/2	2	3.6%	16QAM 1/2 (1.6 km ²)
QPSK 3/4	1.5	16.8%	QPSK 3/4 (2.8 km ²)
QPSK 1/2	1.5	75%	QPSK 1/2 (5.6 km ²)

Adaptive Modulation Capacity

- Bandwidth: 10 MHz
- Frame: 10 ms
- Cyclic Prefix: 1/8

Capacity per Modulation Scheme Coverage Limit



Planning Aspects Truths (Capacity)

- You can use the same channel in all your cells (reuse of 1)
 - Yes, you can, but the channels should be very lightly loaded
 - The rule of a minimum reuse of nine holds
 - Reuse applies to the following resources:
 - Frequencies
 - Sub-carriers
 - Time Slots
 - This means that the maximum cell load should be around 10%, considering all the resources
- Interference Averaging
 - WiMAX supports several standardized permutation schemes (PUSC, FUSC, AMC..)
 - LTE does not support permutation schemes and relies on vendor defined SON
 - Some vendors are using WiMAX permutation as a SON solution

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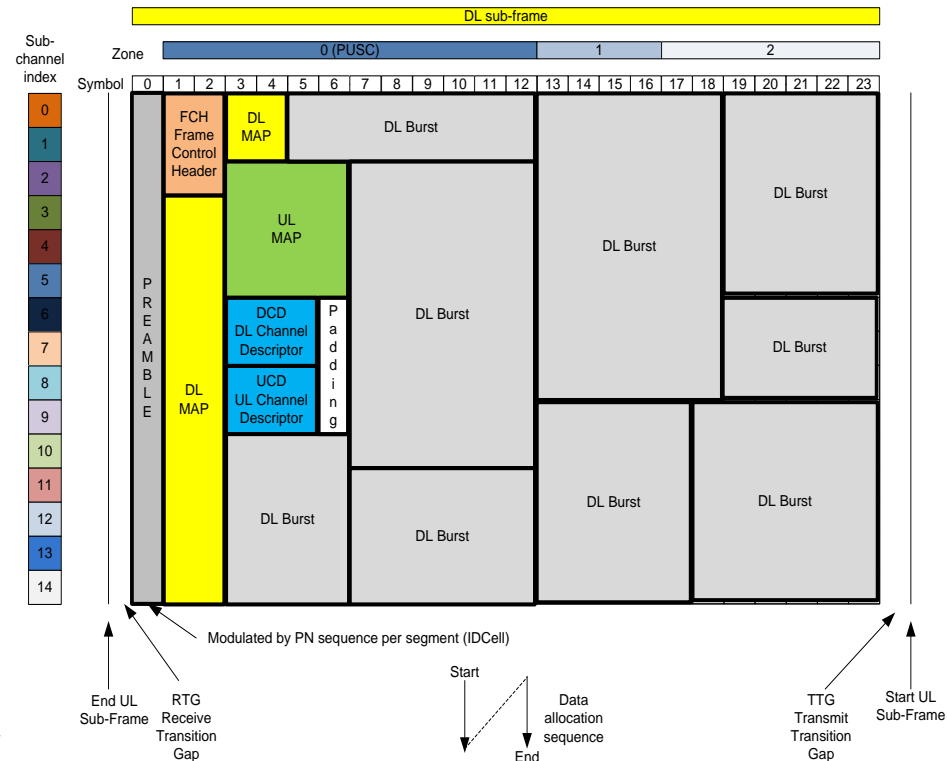
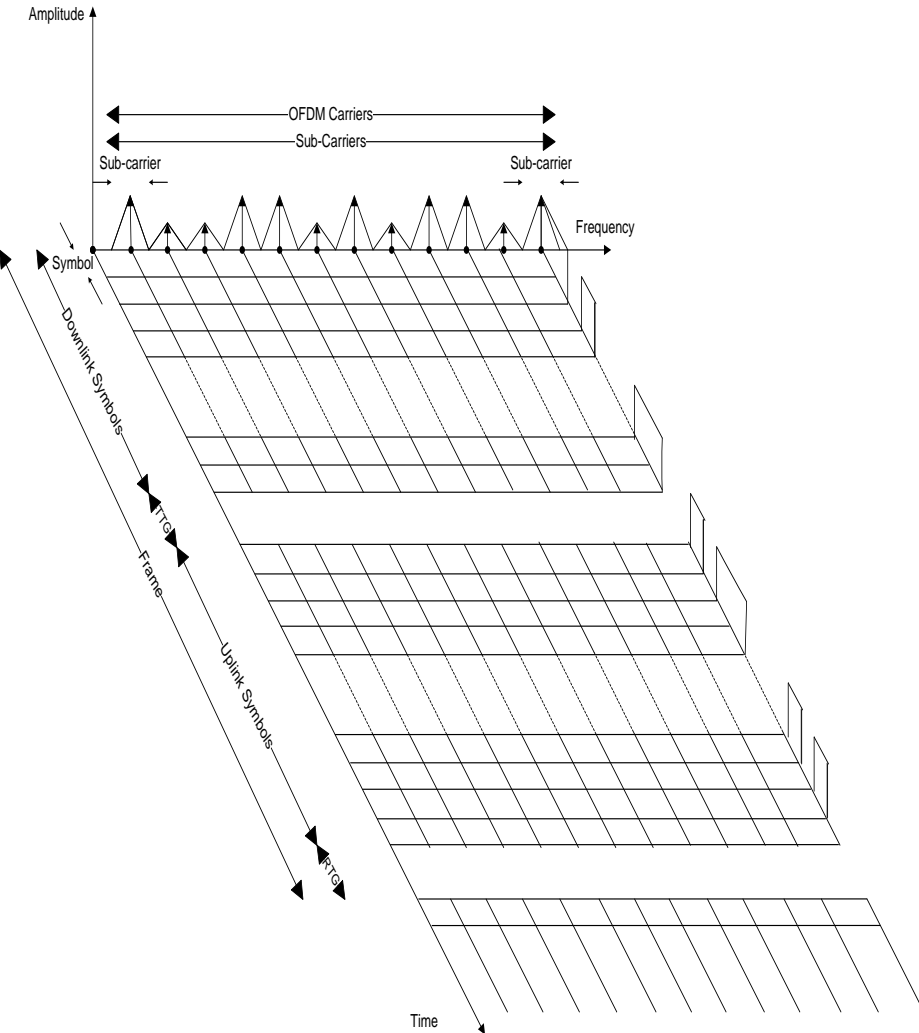
- Resource Reuse Factor
 - 2G and 3G technologies use frequency (GSM) or codes (UMTS, CDMA) as shared resources
 - 4G technologies (WiMAX and LTE) use as shared resources:
 - Frequencies
 - Sub-carriers
 - Segments (not supported by LTE)
 - Time Slots
 - Zones (not supported by LTE)
 - Codes

LTE deployments

- Traditional cellular operators will use 3GPP defined Access and Core
- Greenfield and WiMAX operators that add LTE deployments plan to use WiMAX Core with LTE Access
 - Main reason is economical and performance

WiMAX TDD Frame

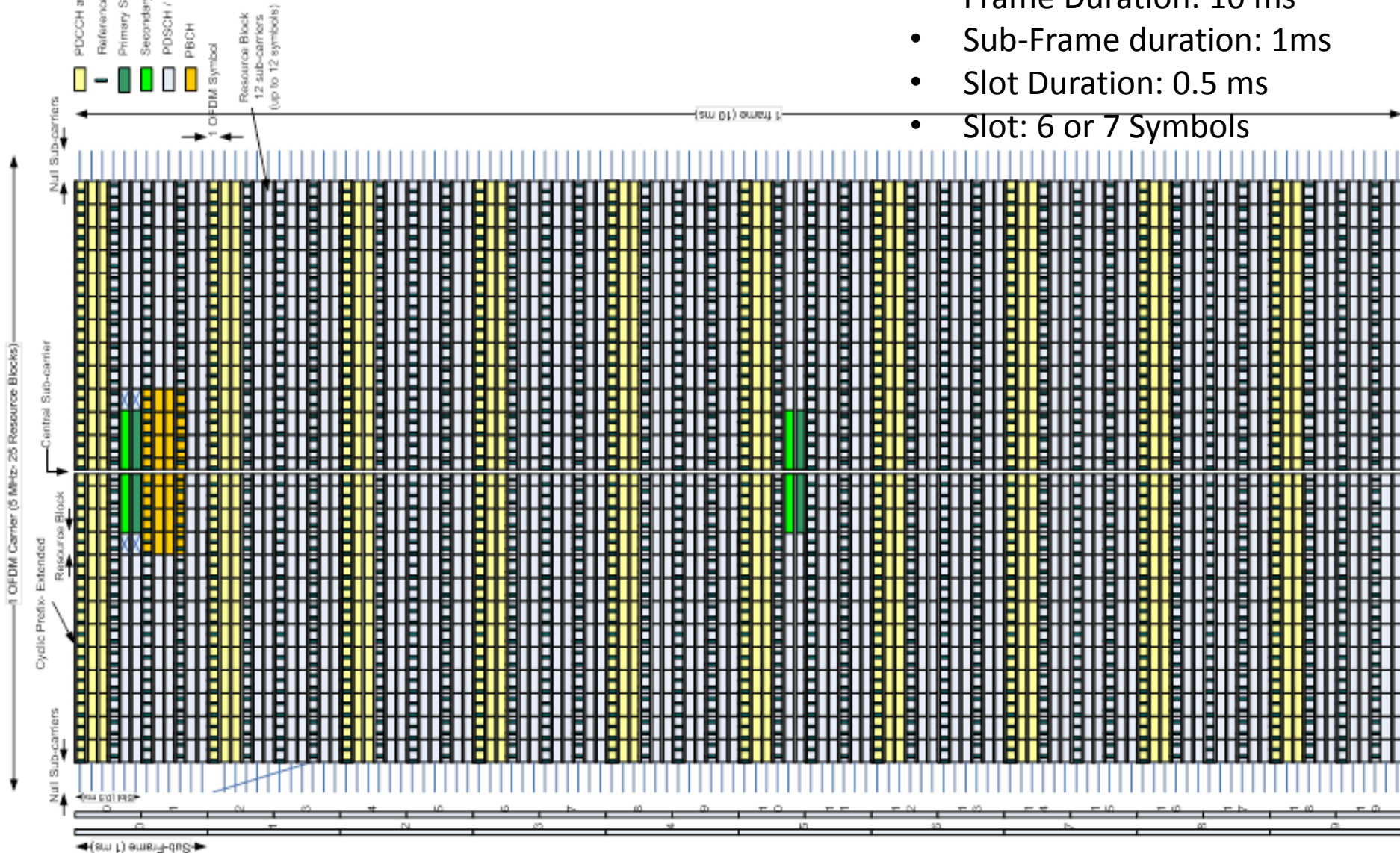
- Subcarrier spacing: 10.9375 kHz
- Frame Duration: 2.25, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12.5, 20 ms
- Downlink Sub-Frame duration: variable
- Segments: up to 66
- Zones: up to 5



LTE Downlink Frame

Subcarrier spacing: 15 kHz

- Frame Duration: 10 ms
- Sub-Frame duration: 1ms
- Slot Duration: 0.5 ms
- Slot: 6 or 7 Symbols



Performance Aspects

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Comments about Data Speed and Throughput

Experiment

- I tested my Data Throughput and got 10 Mbit/s
- When reading my e-mails it took 20 second to open a 12.5 kB e-mail
- What is going on?
- At that speed it should take 10 ms
- The explanation is the difference between instantaneous and average throughput (Tonnage)

Instantaneous Throughput

- Wireless networks always send information at the maximum data rate possible
- This implies that high rates can be achieved
- It does not consider though the time the information has to wait to be scheduled
- Many networks slow down transmission based on the amount of data already transmitted by a user
- Speed test engines test the instantaneous throughput
- The instantaneous throughput gives only part of the information required to estimate the throughput

Tonnage

- Tonnage is the amount of data that is exchanged over a period of time by a user
- It takes into account waiting time and is a much better way to measuring the delivered service
- Network tonnage is defined by the average instantaneous throughput, which varies with the users location, due to the adaptive modulation
- User offered tonnage is defined by the application it uses, based on a ideal capacity network
- A single user's tonnage should be much smaller than the network tonnage, so the network could schedule several users to fill in its tonnage capacity
- This is called oversubscription ratio, which is expressed by the number of users sharing the same connection. It is equivalent to the telephony Erlang.
- The network should avoid load the available tonnage to 100%, as congestion will become an issue, as subscriber transmission times will coincide frequently
- A load of 60% to 70% should be targeted
- Tonnage can also be expressed in average bit/s (averaged over a period of several minutes to 1 hour)

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Technical Aspects

Truths about MIMO

- A MIMO 4 x 4 can improve your SNR by 20 dB (using an USB)
 - MIMO Transmit Diversity can only reducing fading. It does not provide gain.
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Performance Aspects

RF Channel Response, Fading and Antenna Correlation

Questions that do not have replies today

- What is network's RF channel response?
 - How wide and long is the multipath fading?
 - How many multipath are being received?
- How un-correlated are cell antennas?
 - How to adjust the antennas for maximum un-correlation?
- What is the channel load and how are the resources distributed?
- How should the network parameters be optimized?

CelSDRx™

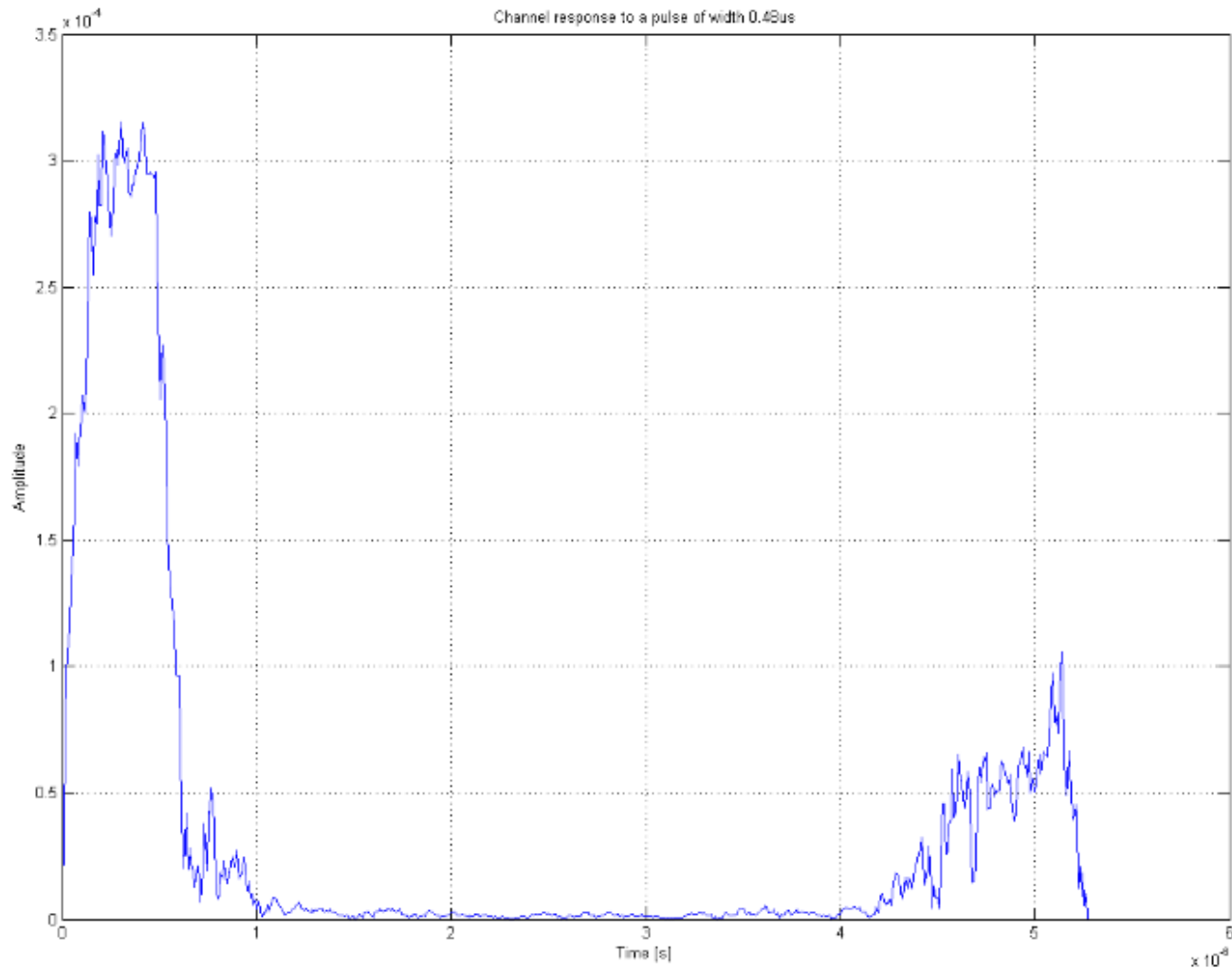
- Universal Software Defined Receiver (SDRx)
- Captures up to 100 MHz of spectrum from 100 MHz to 18 GHz
- Digitizes signal at 125 Msps and provides I and Q components
- Digitally extracts information for any digital technology: LTE, WiMAX, HSPA, UMTS, GSM
- Performs
 - Symbol synchronization
 - Frame Synchronization
 - Sub-Channel Equalization
 - Bandwidth and frame number determination
- Detects
 - RF Channel Response in time and frequency
 - Displays fading amplitude, band and duration
 - Channel Traffic load
 - Received signal coherence from different antennas
 - Received signal coherence to different antennas
- GPS data geo-referencing, allowing drive tests
- Ideal to plan network parameters
- Ideal to scan competitive networks
- Patents applied



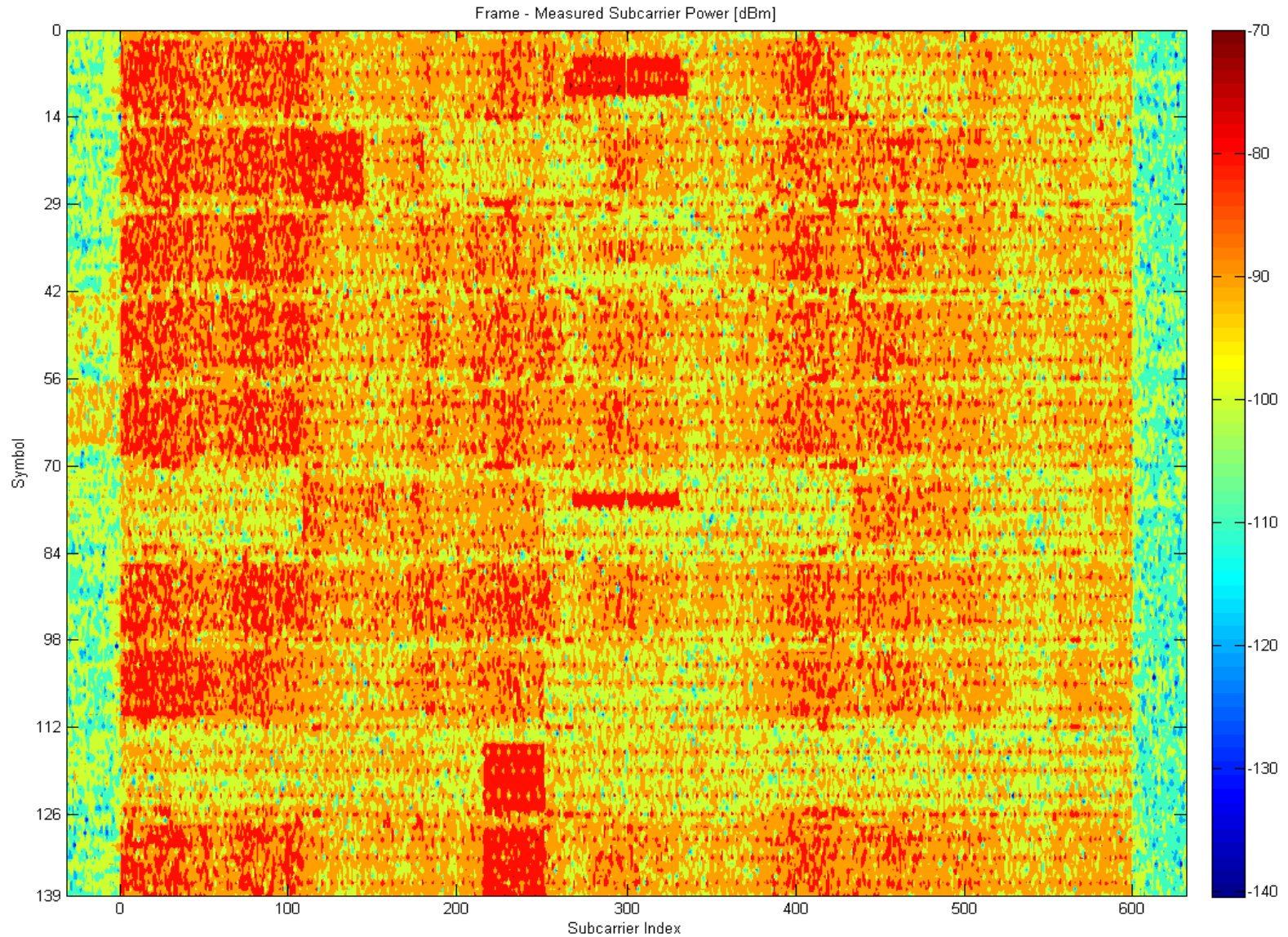
CelSDRx™ Specifications

- Frequency coverage: 100 MHz to 18 GHz
- Instantaneous Bandwidth: 100 MHz
- Displayed Average Noise Level:
 - -115 dBm @ 10 MHz
 - -110 dBm @ 1500 MHz
 - -110 dBm @ 2500 MHz
- Maximum RF input: +10 dBm
- Non-input related spurs: < -100 dBm
- Maximum RF gain: 20 dB
- IF gain: -10 to +30 dB in 1 dB steps
- Power Supply +12 VDC

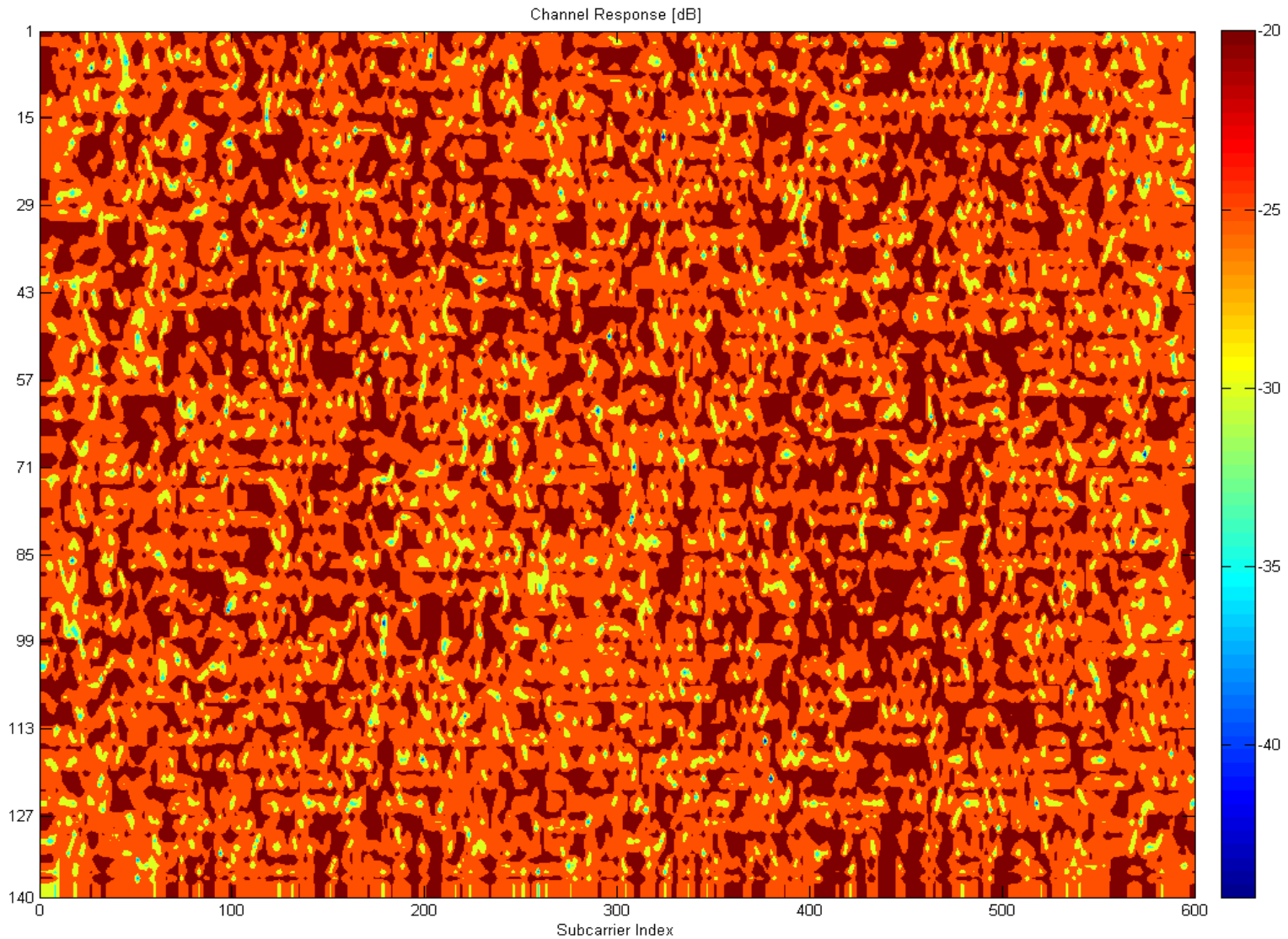
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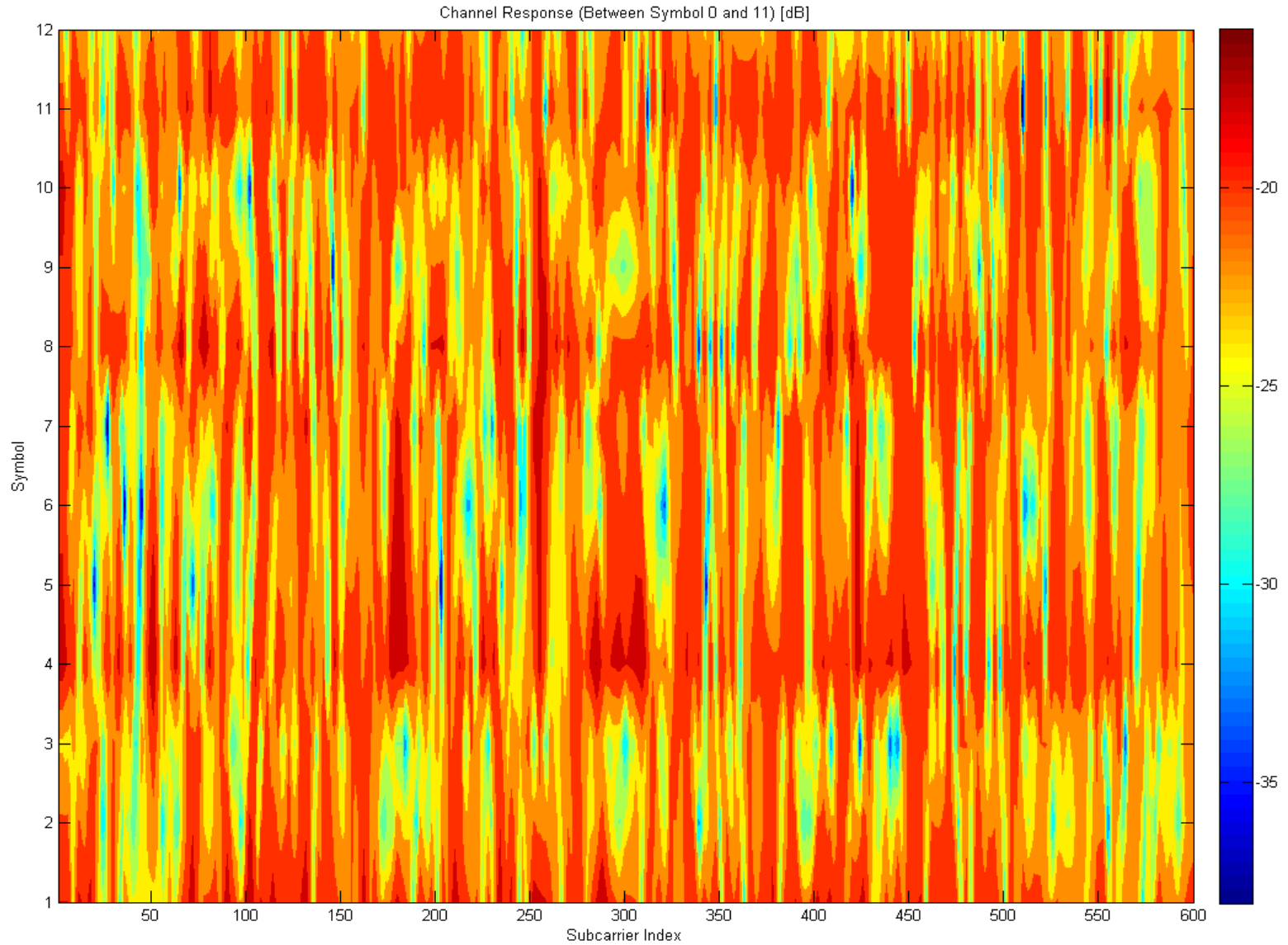
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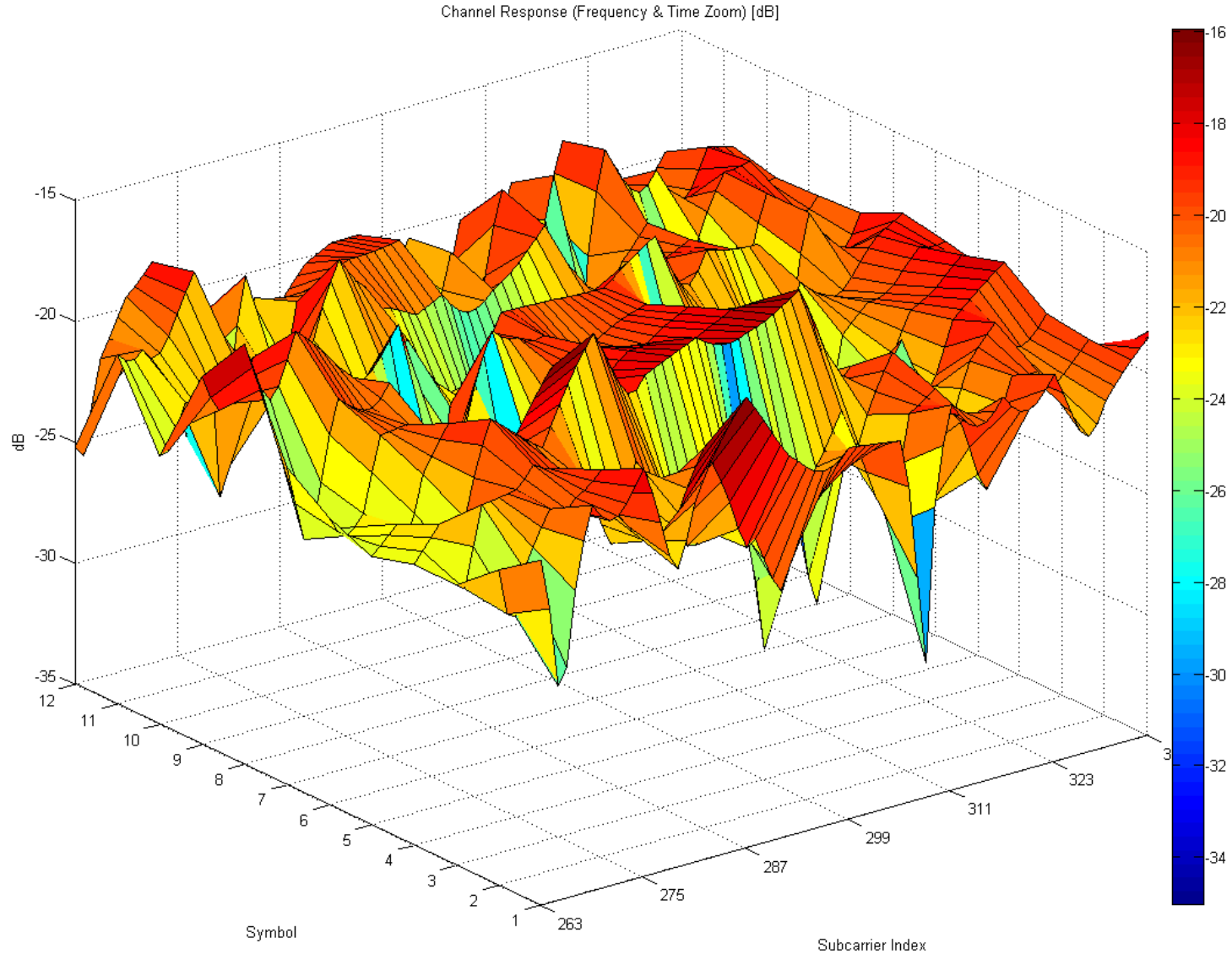
RF Channel Response (top view)



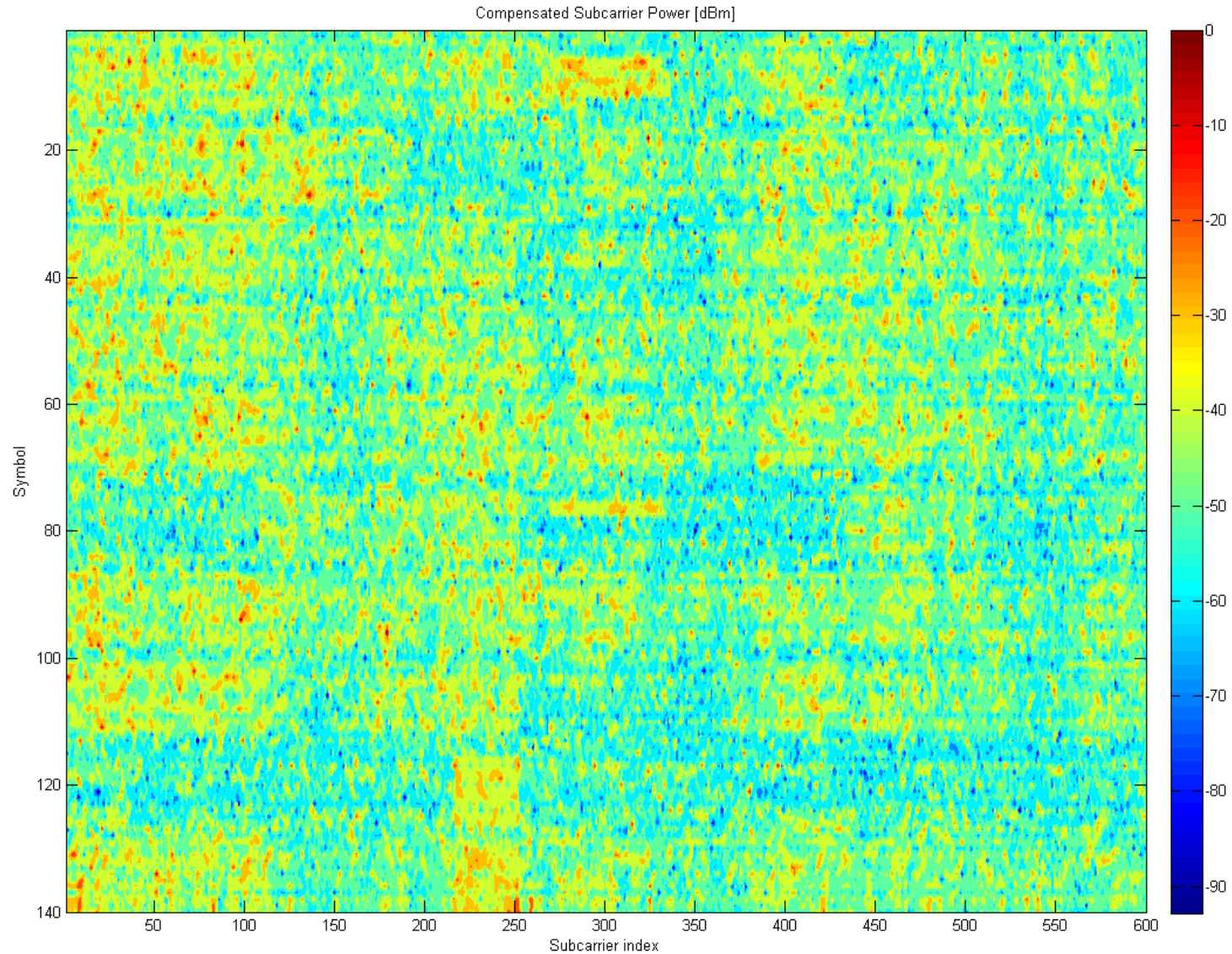
RF Channel Response (time zoom)



RF Channel Response (3D detail)

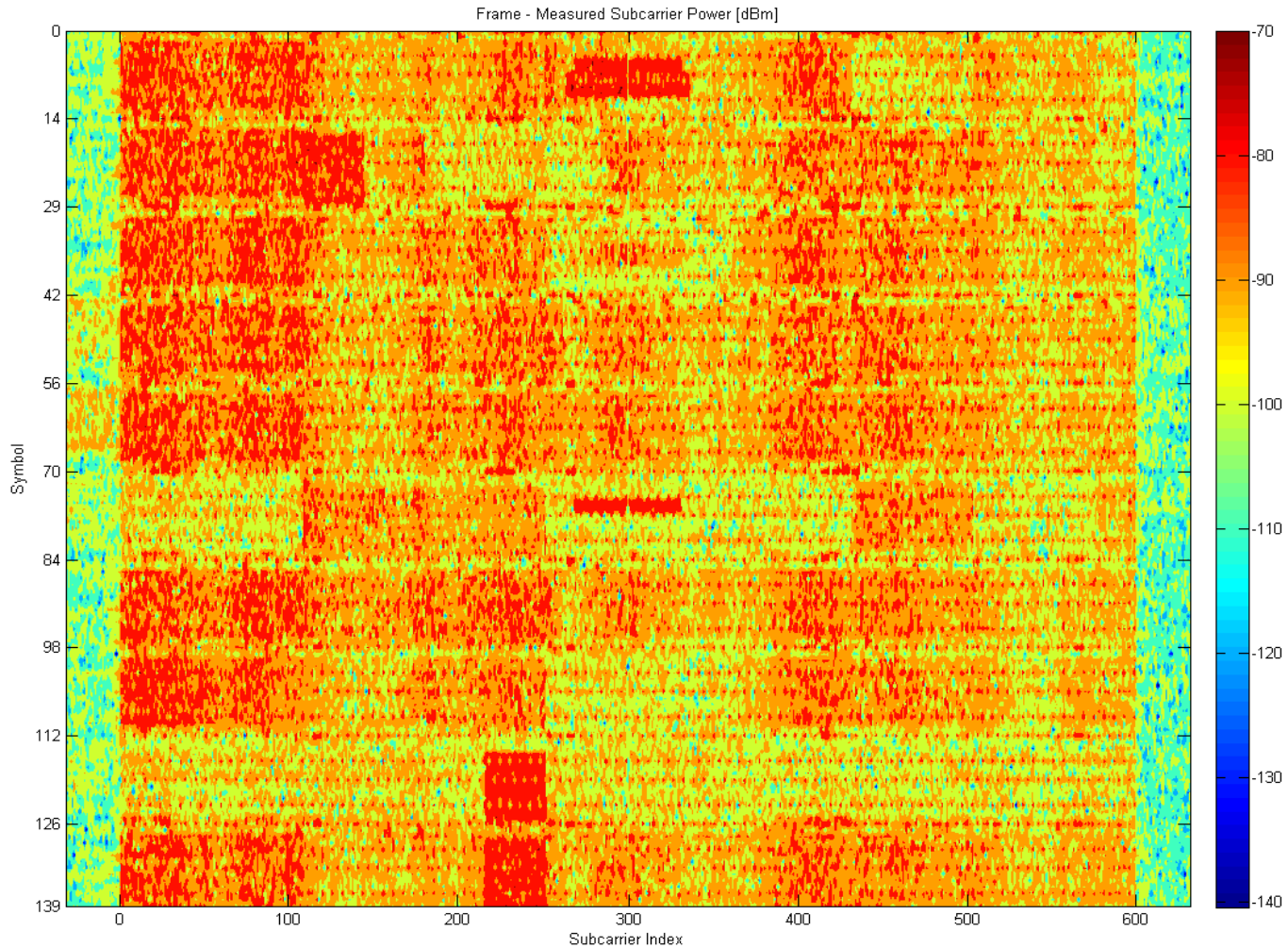


Adjusted Power per Resource Element (dBm)



Traffic view

- Traffic allocation can be visualized per frame



Correlation

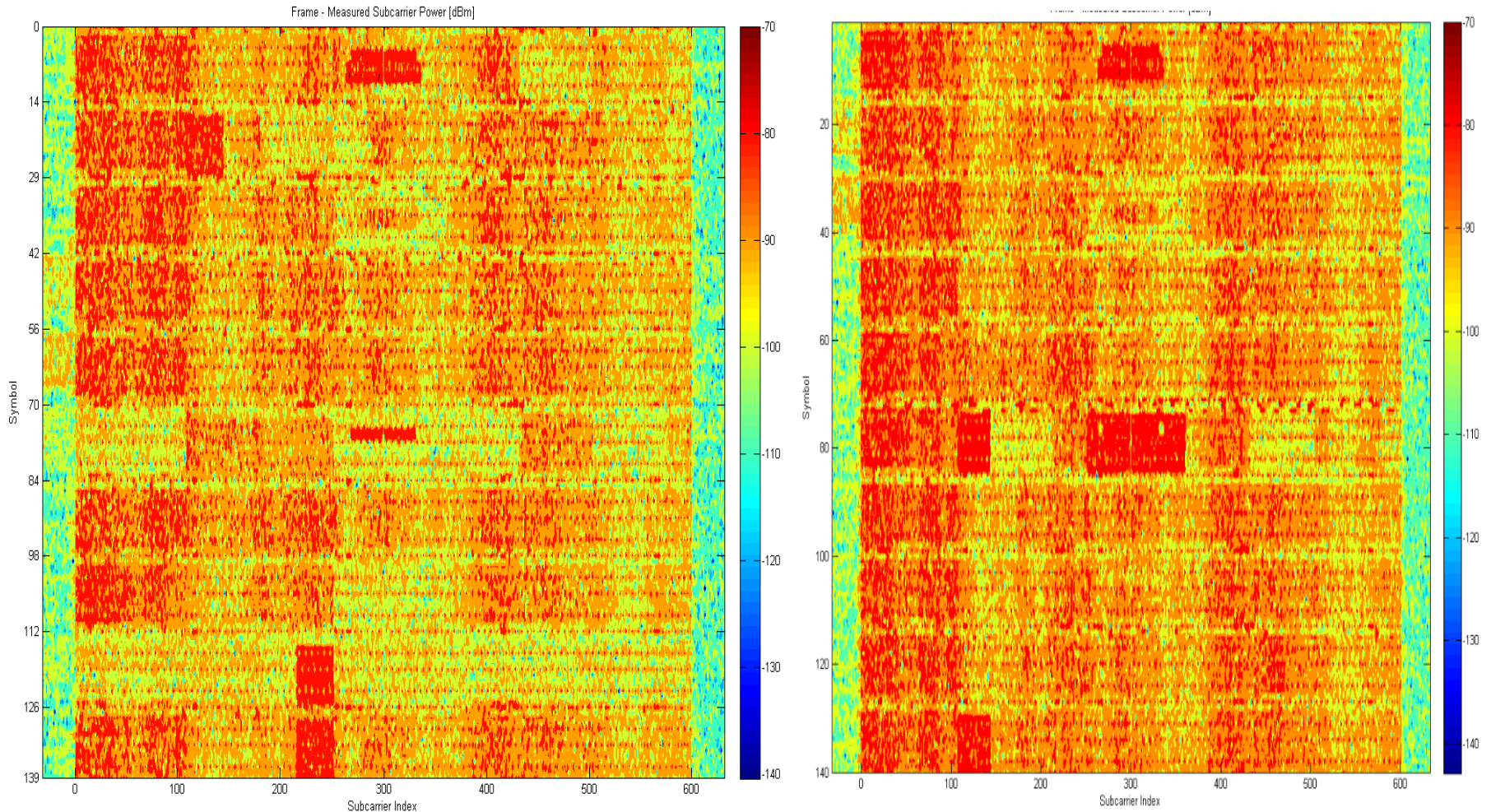
- Correlation is considered as the sympathetic movement of two or more variables
- Pearson's Product-Moment Correlation Coefficient

$$r_{xy} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{(n-1)s_x s_y} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

- The correlation coefficient varies between +1 and -1
 - Positive Correlation: movement is in the same direction
 - Negative Correlation: movement is in the opposite direction
- Reference signals transmitted by two antennas can be used to establish the channel response
- The correlation coefficient for the two channel responses can then be calculated

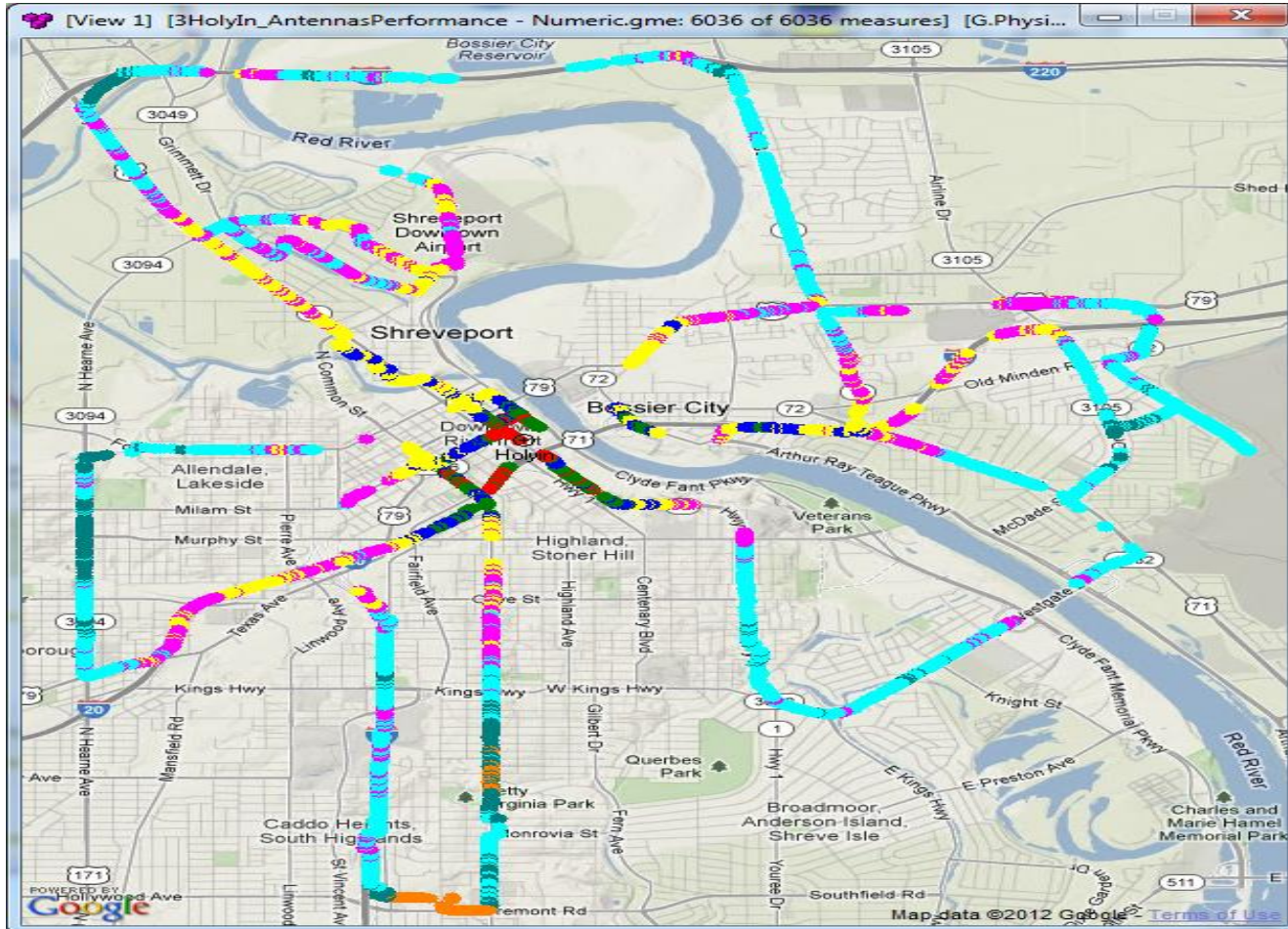
Correlation between antennas

- Correlation index between two antennas
 $CI=0.42$



Antenna Correlation Drive

- Antenna correlation variation



Antennas Performance	
Correlation - [View 1]	
■	C ≥ 0.75 (1.2%)
■	C ≥ 0.50 (3.5%)
■	C ≥ 0.25 (4.2%)
■	C ≥ 0.00 (16.1%)
■	C ≥ -0.25 (24.0%)
■	C ≥ -0.50 (42.3%)
■	C ≥ -1.00 (1.6%)

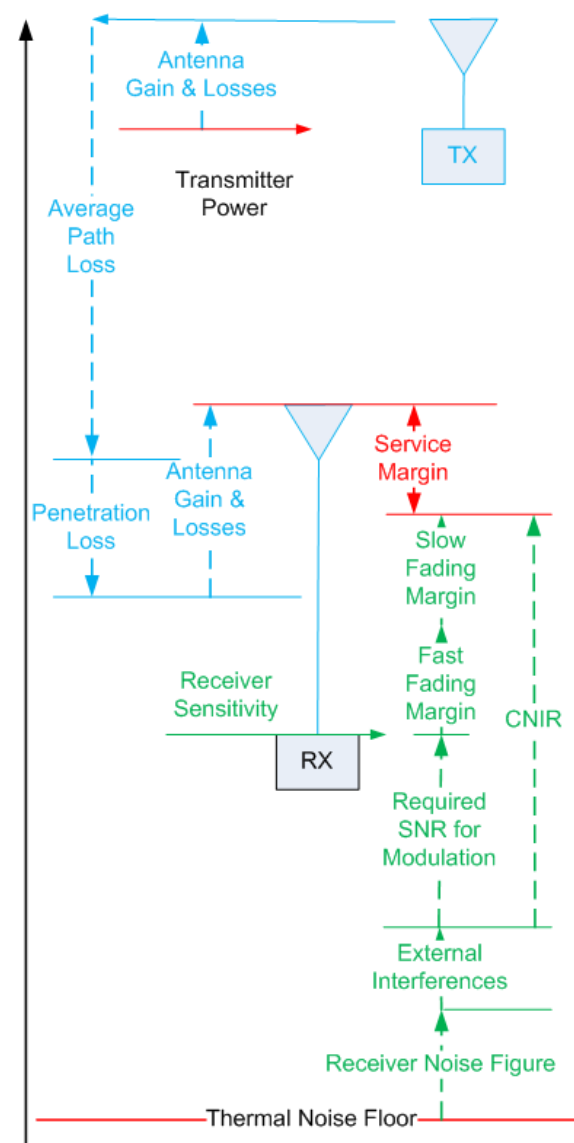
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Power Budget and Noise Budget

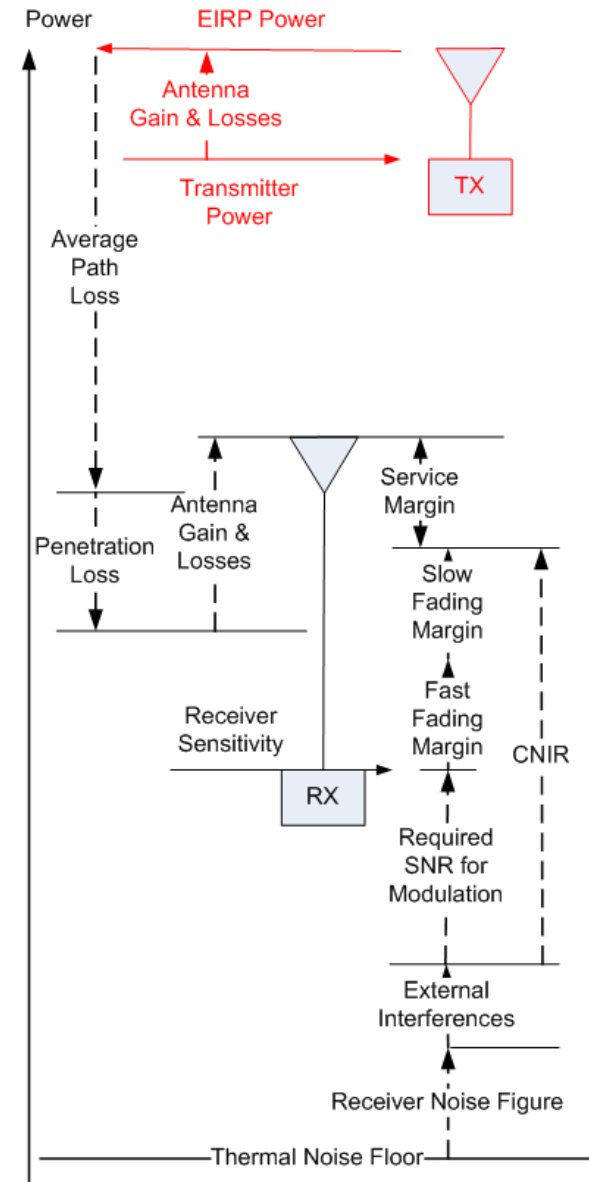
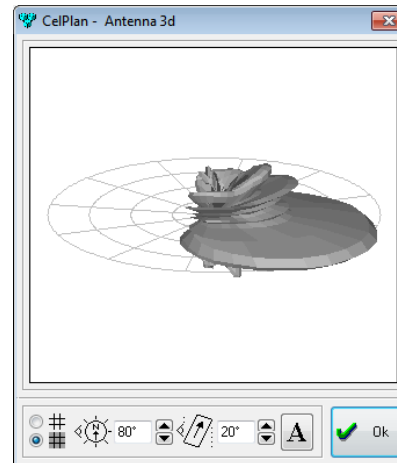
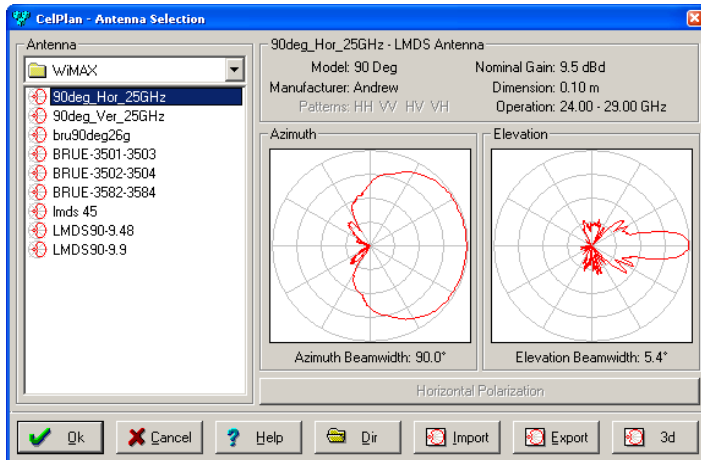
- A link budget analyzes two paths
 - One is the power budget (in blue) from the Transmitter to the Receiver
 - Another is the noise budget (in green) from the Thermal Noise Floor to the CNIR ratio required for a certain receive probability
 - The difference between both budgets establishes the service margin



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Antenna Gains and Losses

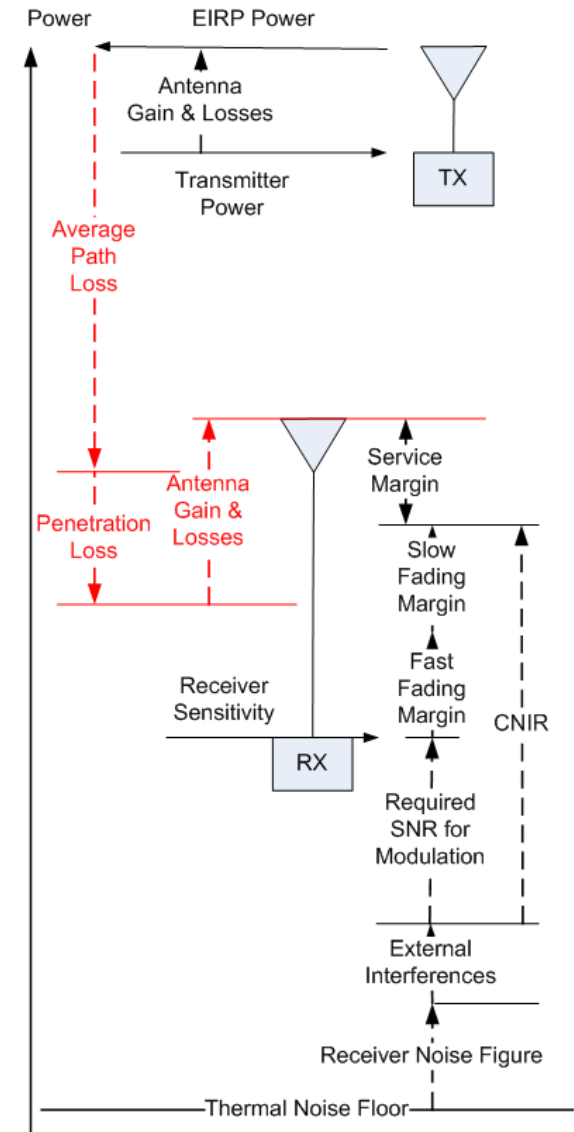
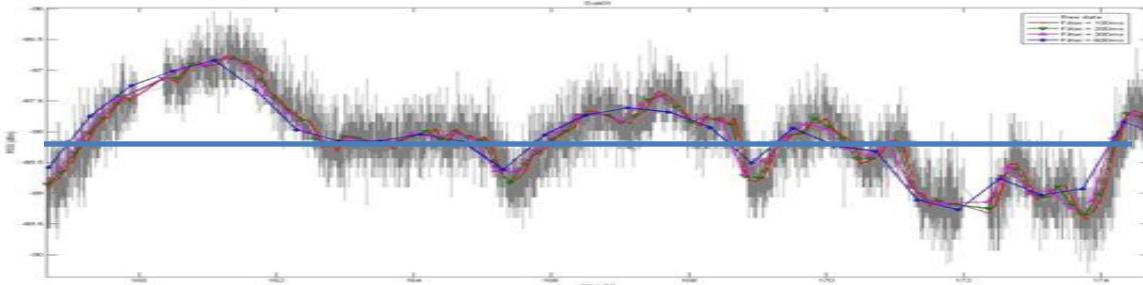
- The transmit power is the power that comes from the Power Amplifier to each antenna
- The Antenna Gain should include all the losses (combiners, jumpers, connectors, cables)
- The antenna gain is at its maximum only in the azimuth direction
- The EIRP (Effective Isotropic Radiated Power) is the power that leaves the antenna



What is in a Link Budget?

Average Path Loss, Penetration Loss, Antenna Gain and Losses

- The **average path loss** is an average loss value between the antenna and the each prediction location (prediction pixel)
- The prediction pixel area is a rectangle with sides varying from 5 to 30 m
- The path loss considered at each pixel is the average over the pixel area over a period of time (blue line below)
- Path loss is predicted for outdoors so, for indoor predictions a **penetration loss** should be added
- **Receive antenna gain and losses** should be added
- The antenna gain is at its maximum only for the azimuth direction
- The resulting power level is what is offered to the receiver

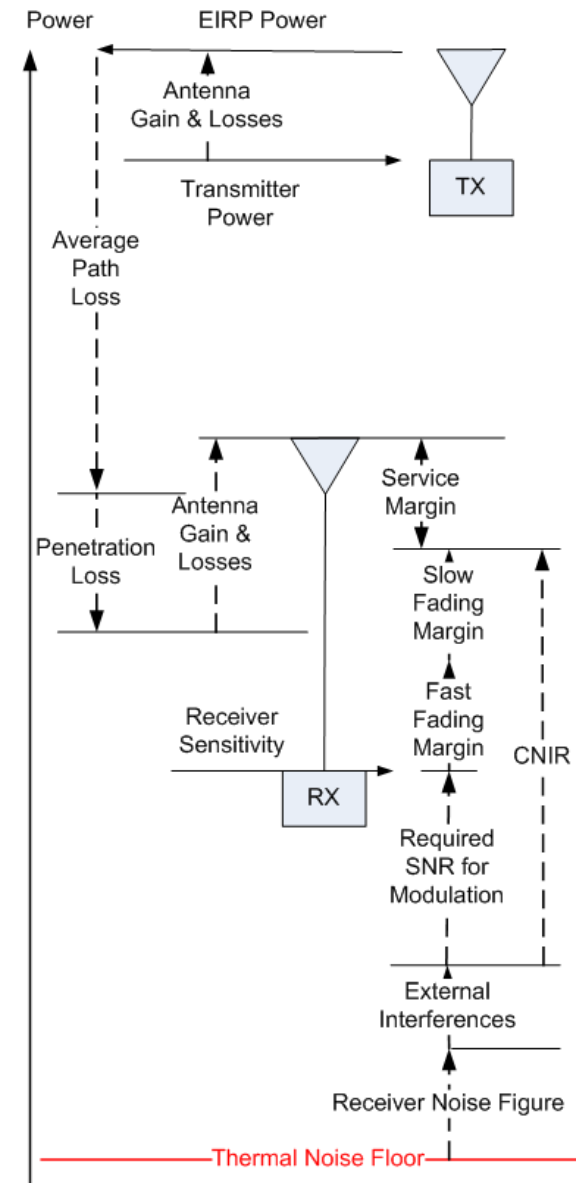


What is in a Link Budget?

Thermal Noise Floor

- A Thermal Noise Floor exists everywhere due to molecular movement, and it is based on the ambient temperature
 - This noise floor is -174 dBm/Hz at 25°C
 - Noise for other bandwidths is shown below

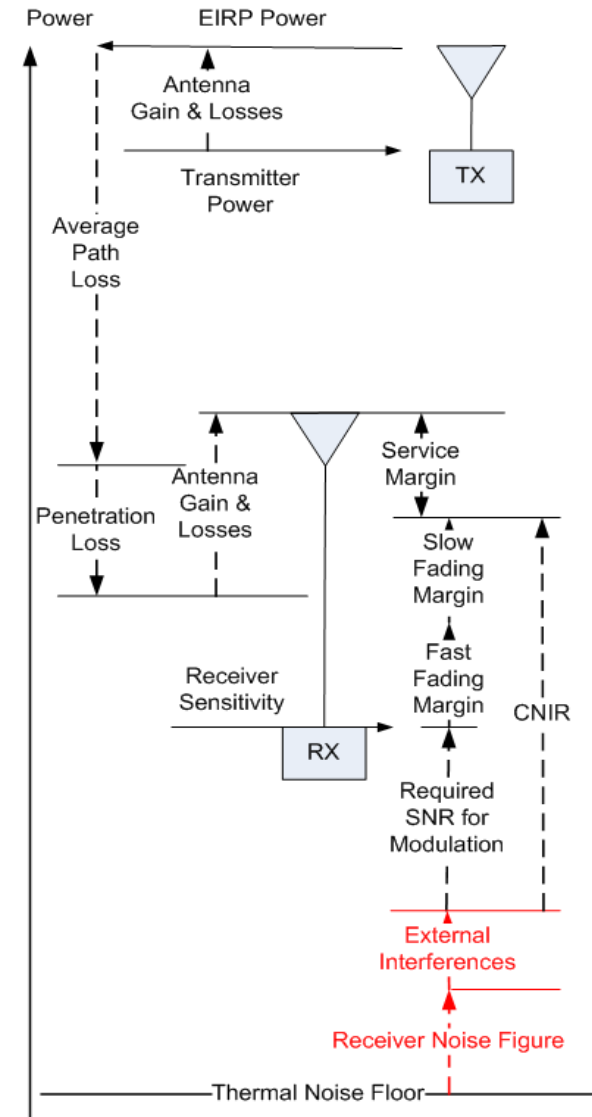
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10K	-134
30K	-129
100 K	-124
200K	-121
1M	-114
1.5M	-112
5M	-107
10 M	-104
20 M	-101
40M	-98



What is in a Link Budget?

Receiver Noise Figure and External interference (Noise Rise)

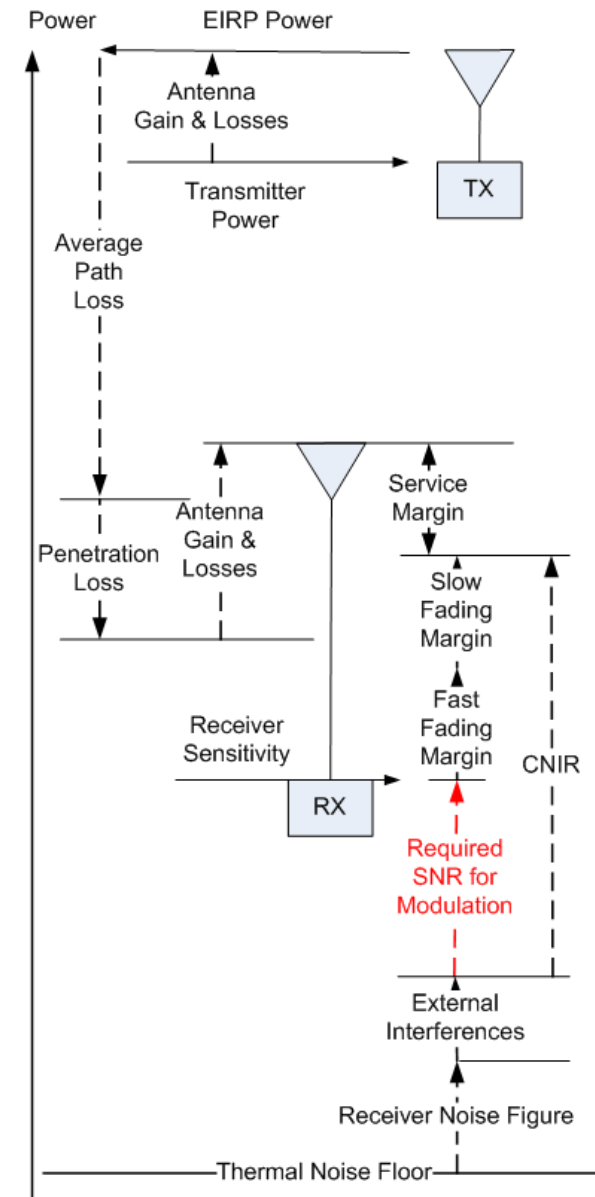
- The **Receiver Noise Figure** is the noise caused by the receiver components themselves
- The first receiver amplifier plays an important role in determining the noise figure
- Typical Noise Figures (NF) are:
 - Tower mounted LNA: 2 to 3 dB
 - Base Station: 5 to 8 dB
 - Mobile: 8 to 12 dB
- **External Interferences**
 - Interferences add to noise floor
 - Interference sources are:
 - Neighbor own cells
 - Neighbor systems cells
 - Other devices (microwave oven)
 - Man made noise
 - Interference noise is also called **Noise Rise**
 - Typical figures are between 2 and 8 dB



What is in a Link Budget?

Required SNR Ratio per Modulation

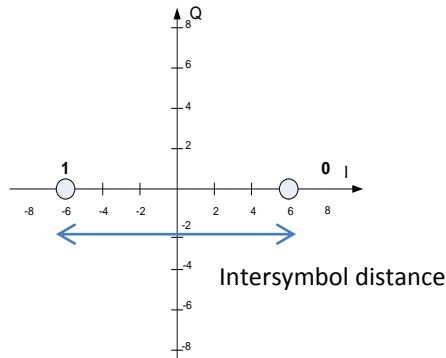
- Modulation
 - Is the act of adding information to a carrier
 - This is done by changing the carrier amplitude and phase
 - Each combination of amplitude and phase defines a carrier state
 - Each carrier state is produced by a combination of a cosine and a sine of the carrier frequency
 - Sine and cosine are orthogonal to each other (can be detected separately when combined)
 - The cosine component is called I (in-phase) and the sine component Q (in quadrature, meaning 90° out of phase)



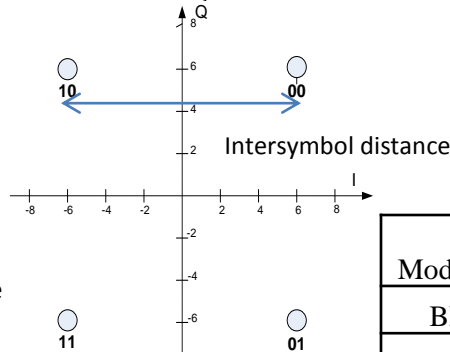
What is in a Link Budget? Required SNR Ratio per Modulation

- Modulation Constellation
 - Only one state can be transmitted at a time
 - Each constellation state is assigned a symbol
 - The number of bits assigned to a symbol is proportional to the number of modulation states (see table below)
 - The intersymbol distance defines the maximum SNR (Signal to Noise Ratio) that will result in a specified error rate
 - SNR is specified for error rates from 10^{-2} to 10^{-6}

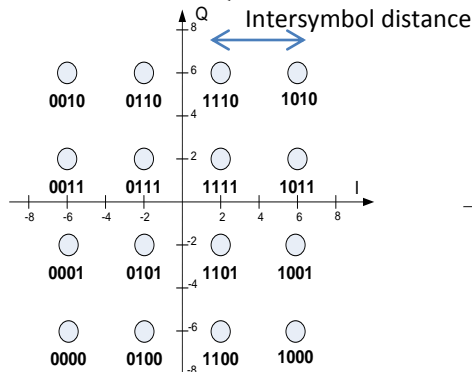
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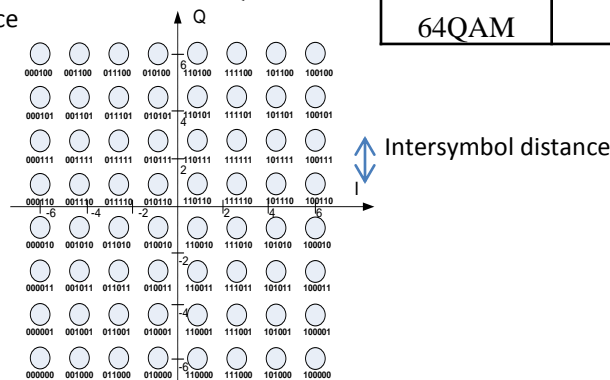
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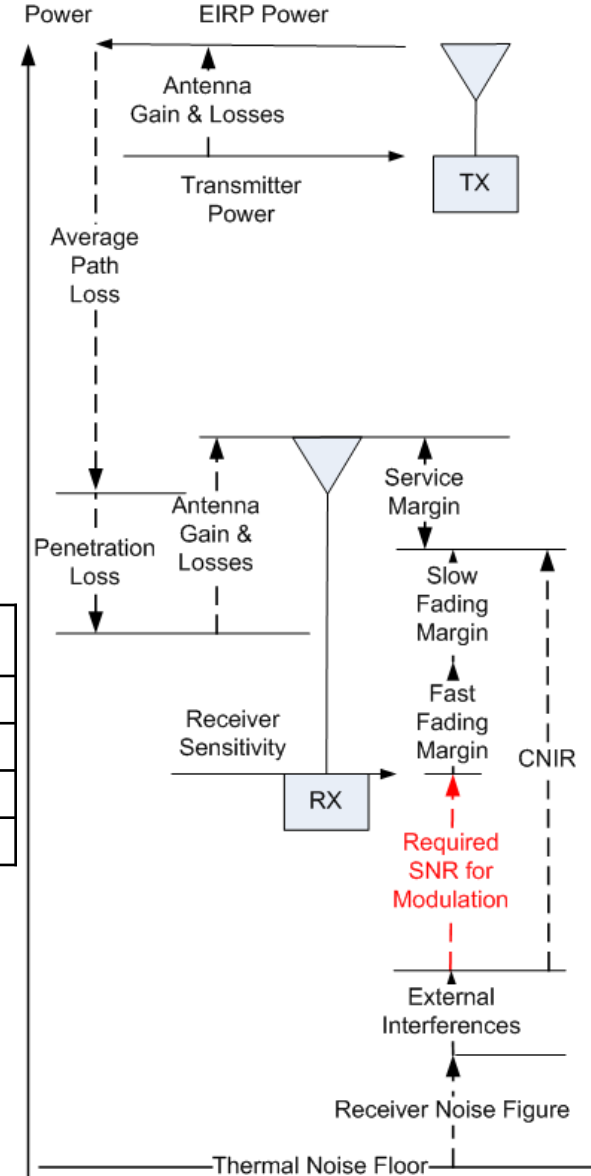
16 QAM



64QAM



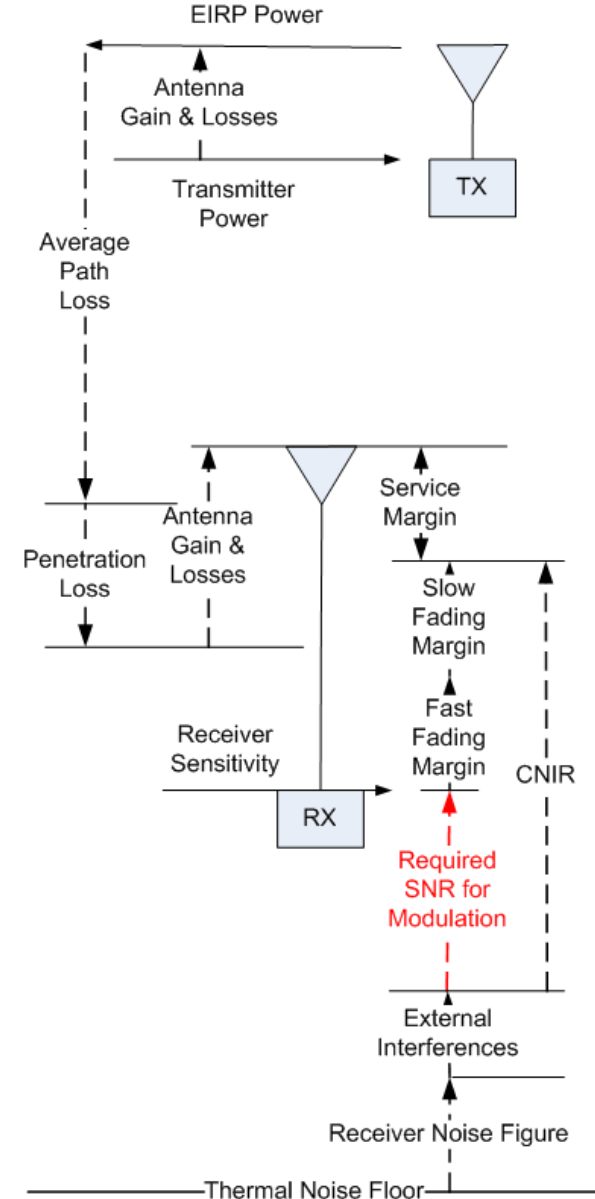
Modulation	Number of bits per symbol
BPSK	1
QPSK	2
16QAM	4
64QAM	6



Required SNR Ratio per Modulation

What is in a Link Budget?

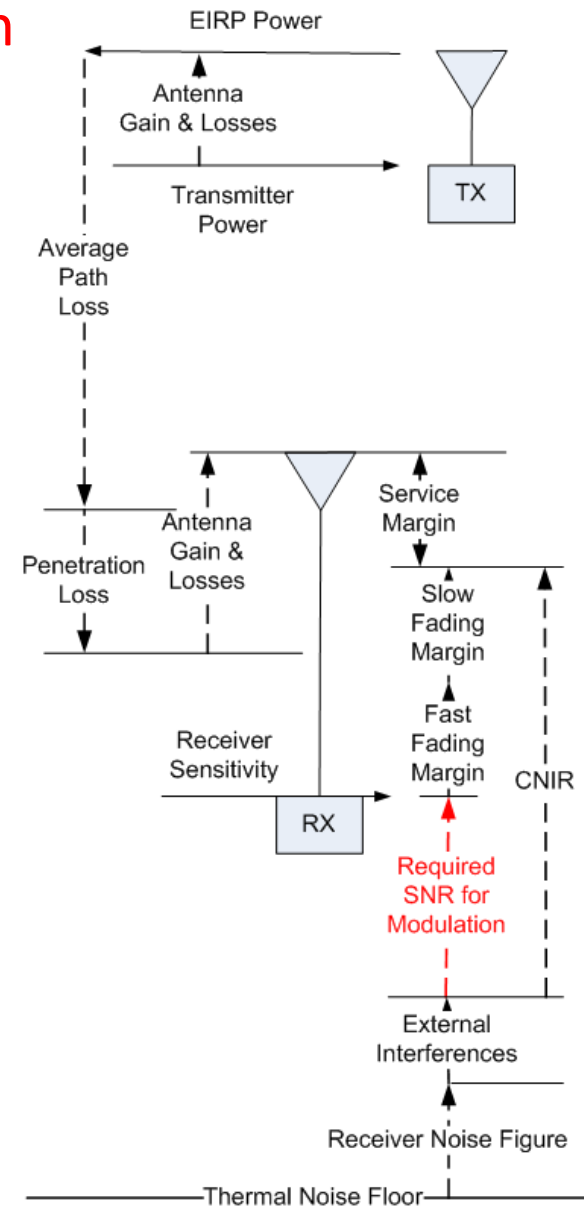
- Forward Error Correction
 - The error rate referred in the modulation is due to noise spikes
 - A huge SNR would be required to eliminate the errors, instead a error correcting code is added to fix the errors at the receiver
 - Correcting errors after they happen implies in retransmissions and consequently delays
 - Error correction codes are sent together with the data, so the majority of the errors can be corrected without retransmission
 - This is called Forward Error Correction (FEC)
 - Typical error correction codes are:
 - Convolutional codes
 - Turbo codes
 - A code ratio specifies the ratio between the number of data and the total number of transmitted symbols
 - Typical code ratios are: 1/2 (1 data and 1 error correction, 1/4 (1 data and 3 error correction), 5/6 (5 data and 1 error correction)....
 - The combination modulation and FEC code ratio is called modulation scheme
 - A Modulation scheme is the combination of the modulation type with the FEC code ratio used



What is in a Link Budget?

Required SNR Ratio per Modulation

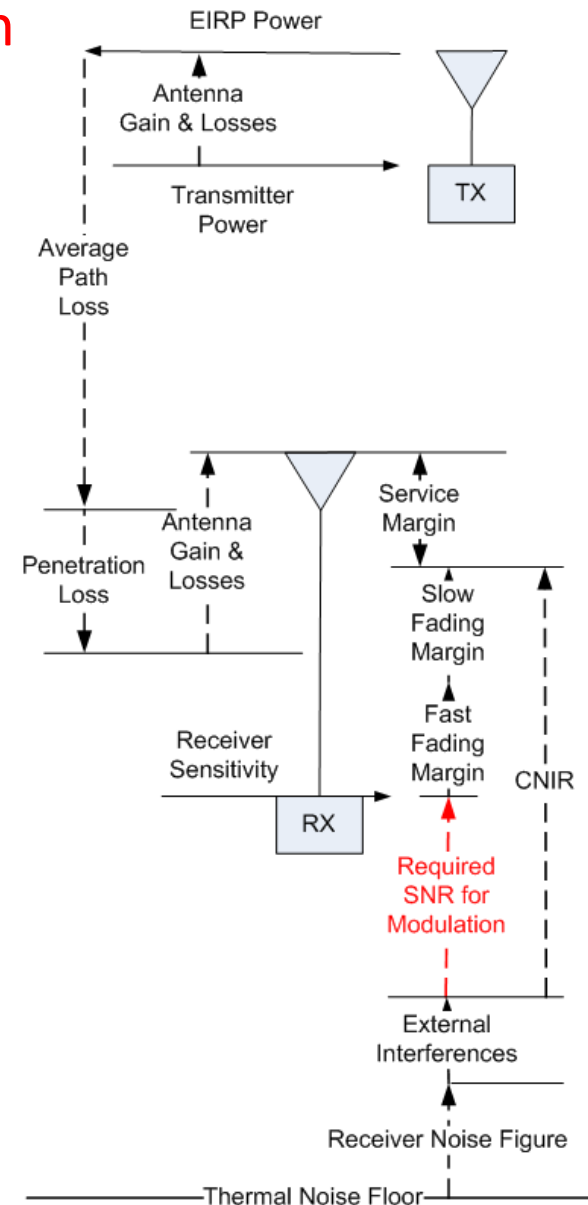
- Backward Error Correction
 - A FEC can not correct all errors, so Backward Correction Codes (BCC) are used to fix them, if the application requires them to be fixed
 - In a practical system there are several layers of BCC (typically 3 to 5)
 - The BCC codes are distributed at several protocol layers
 - Higher the protocol layer, longer it takes to correct the error, and consequently the latency increases
 - Some applications can not accept any errors (TCP-Transmission Control Protocol- based), while others can accept errors (UDP- User Datagram protocol-based)
 - Example: Web is TCP based, while U-tube is UDP based



What is in a Link Budget?

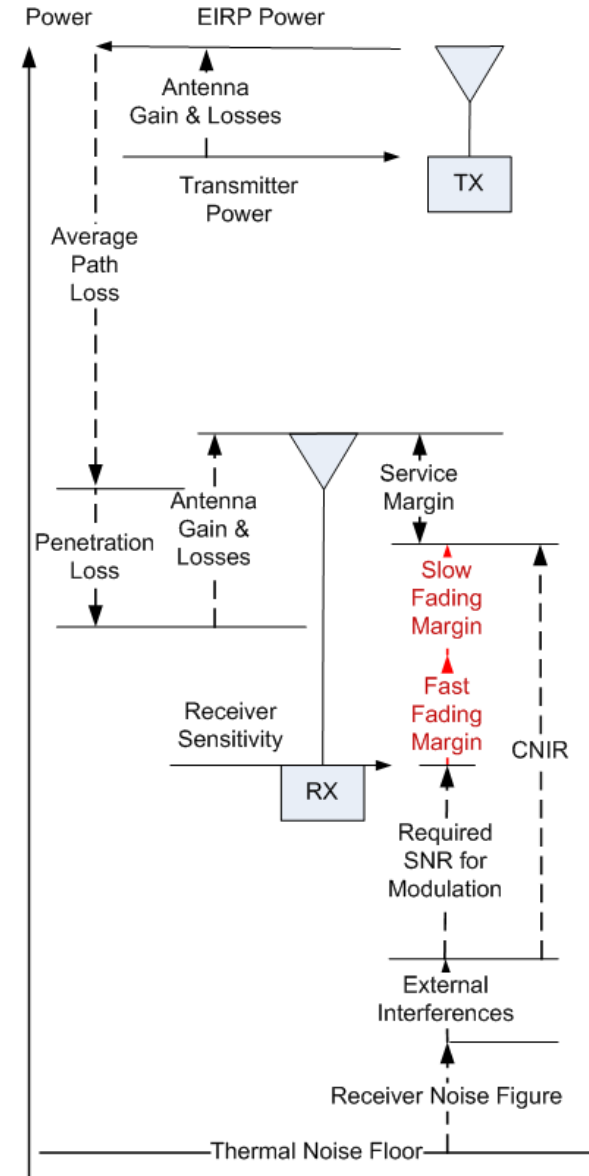
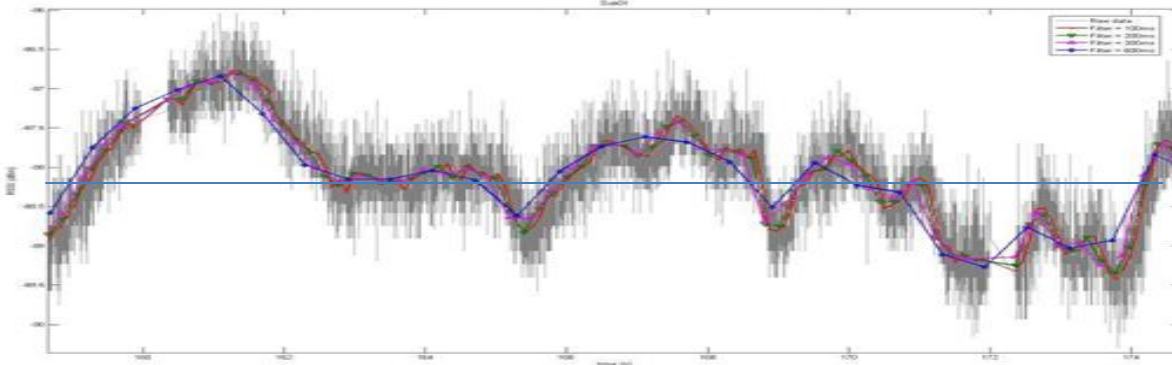
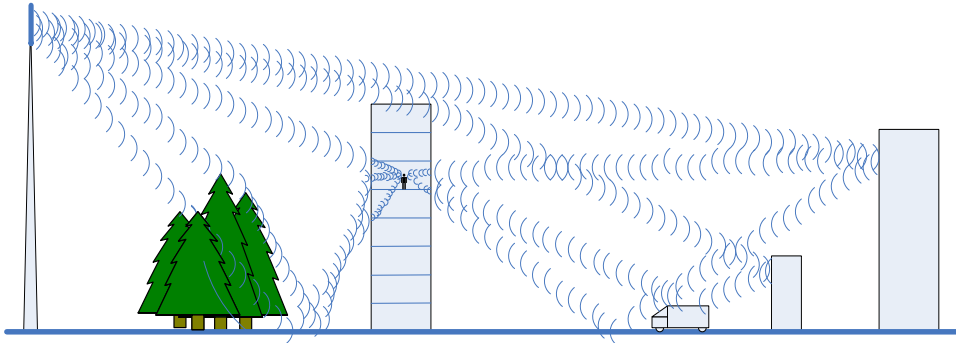
Required SNR Ratio per Modulation

- User applications convey information that require a certain QoS
- Main QoS parameters are:
 - Latency (scheduling method and priority)
 - Error rate
- A QoS is associated to protocols used to convey information
- A service flow (logical interconnection) is specified for each connection of user data
- For each Error Rate there is a **Required SNR (Signal to Noise Ratio)** for each modulation scheme



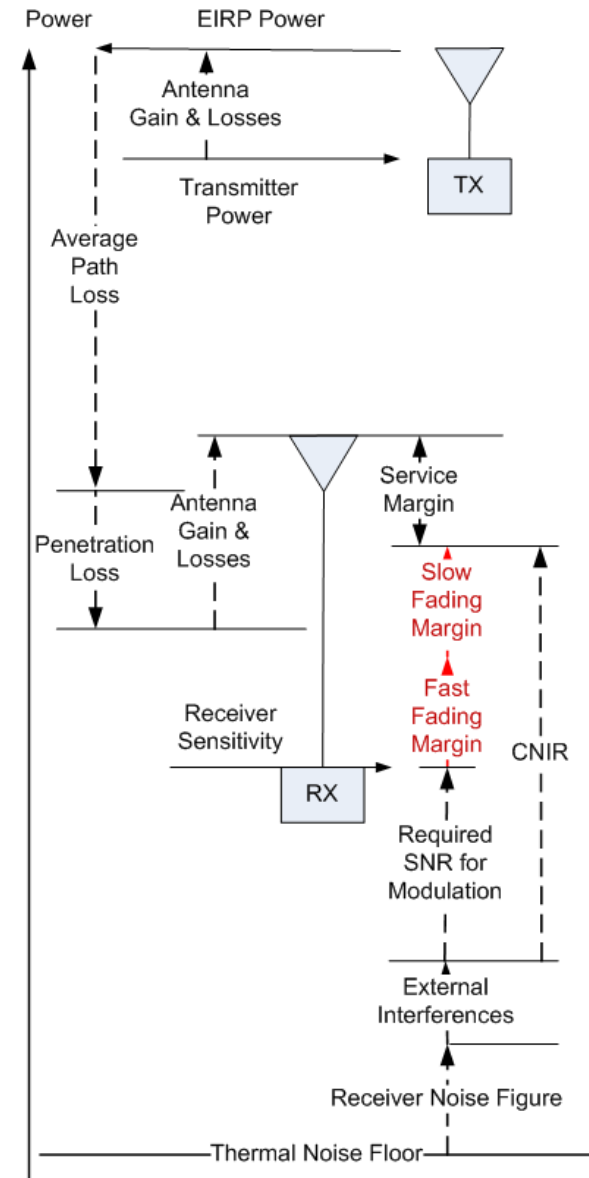
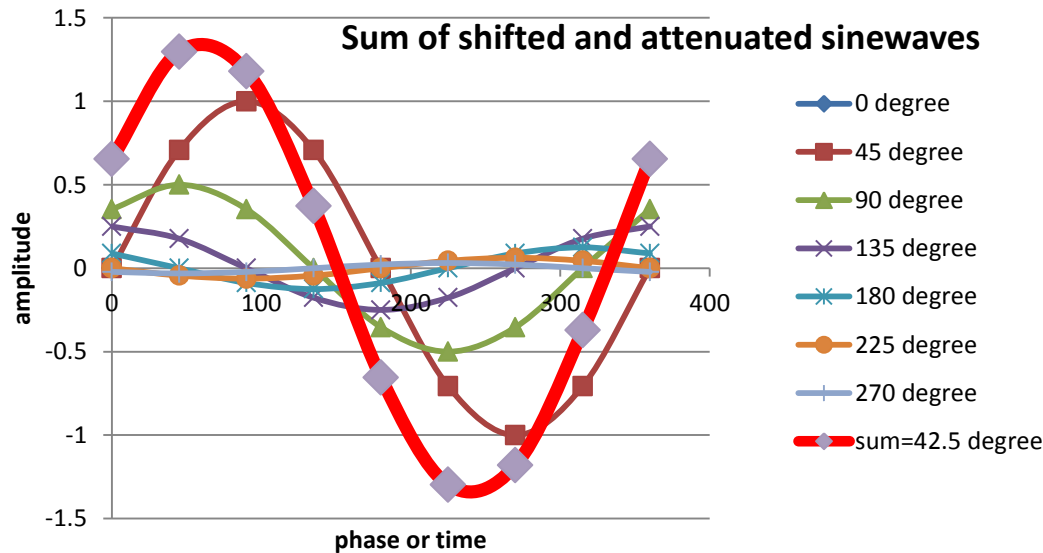
What is in a Link Budget? Fading Margins

- A receiver gets multiple copies of the transmitted signal, due to multipath propagation
- Those copies are shifted in time and attenuated in relation to each other
- A real multi-path signal is presented below
- It has slow varying (slow fading) and fast varying (fast fading) components combined



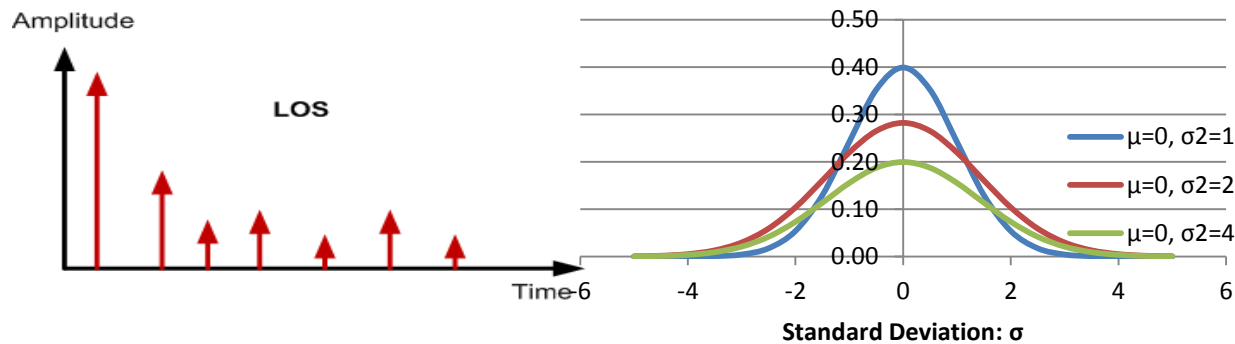
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- A received waveform is a sum of hundreds of reflected and diffracted waveforms
 - A continuous waveform can be represented by a series of sinewaves
 - If we analyze the behavior of a sinewave we can understand the behavior of a complex waveform
 - The resulting signal of combination of sinewaves is a shifted and attenuated sinewave with the same frequency as the transmitted one

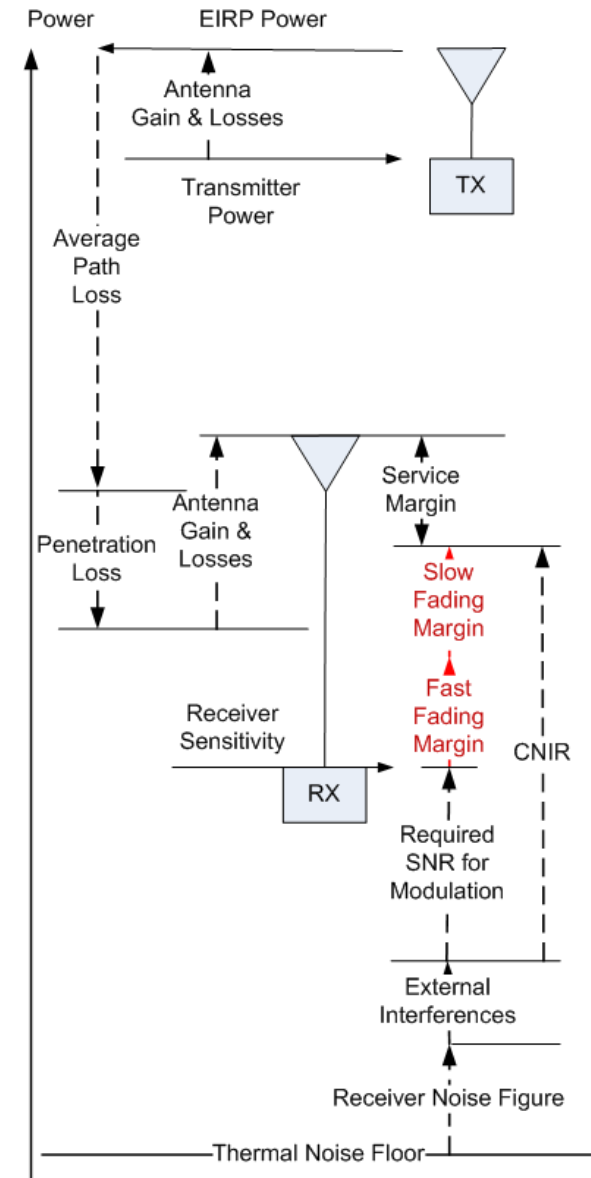
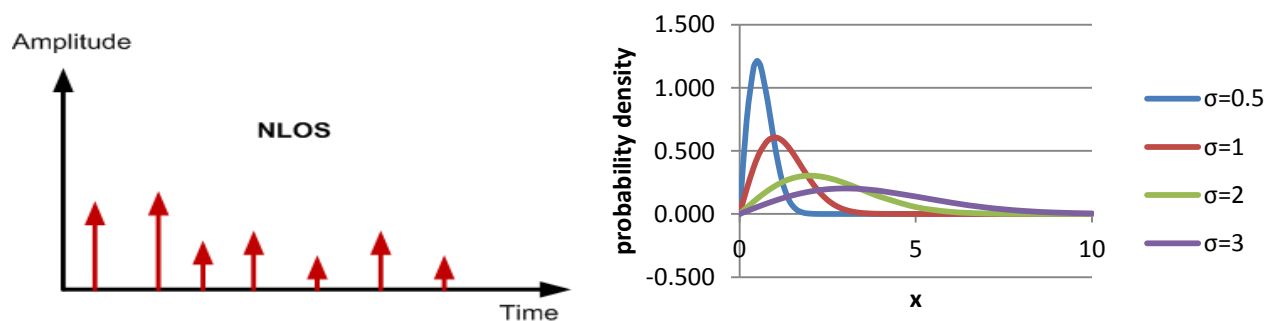


What is in a Link Budget? Fading Margins

- When there is LOS (Line-Of-Sight) between transmitter and receiver there is one predominant component
 - This signal is said to have a Gaussian distribution

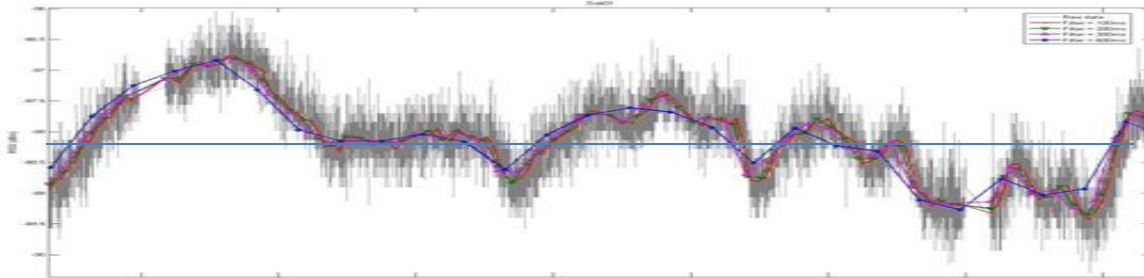


- When there is no LOS between transmitter and receiver several components have the similar amplitudes
 - This signal is said to have a Rayleigh distribution

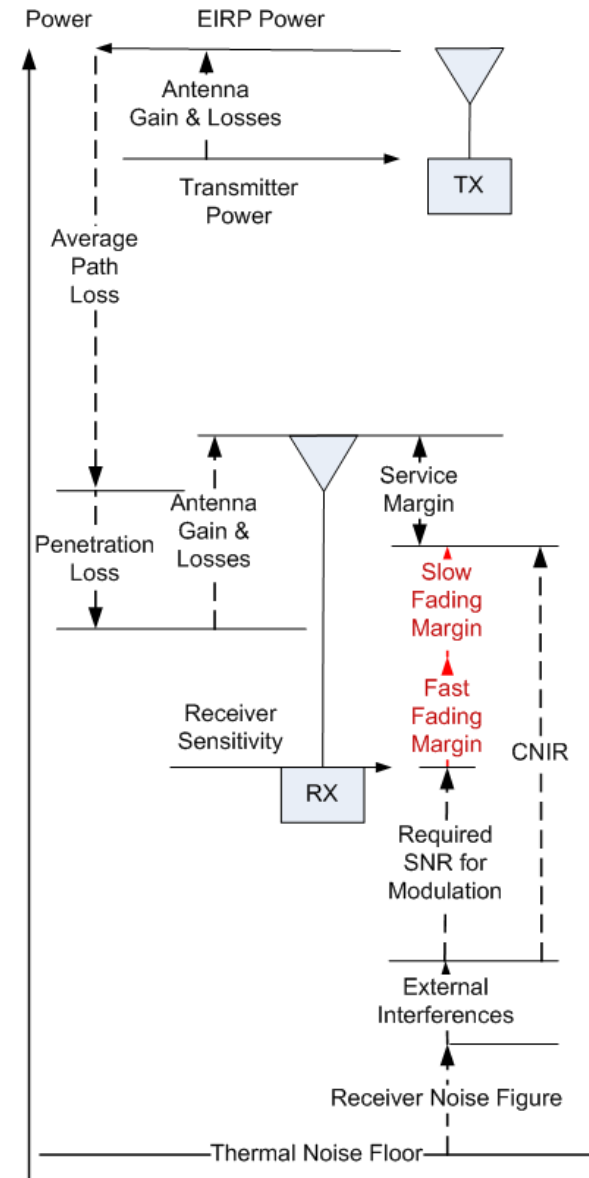


What is in a Link Budget? Fading Margins

- The average path loss is calculated over the prediction pixel area
- The slow variation, is called slow fading and is influenced by the terrain between transmitter and receiver
- The slow fading is due to the movement of the receiver in an area
- Typical values for the slow fading are between 3 and 6 dB
- These value has to be calculated based on a probability of occurrence (50 to 95 % are generally used)



- The fast fading depends on the LOS/NLOS condition
- Typical values for the slow fading are between 4 and 9 dB
- These value has to be calculated based on a probability of occurrence (50 to 95 % are generally used)
- The CNIR requirement includes SNR and Fading Margins

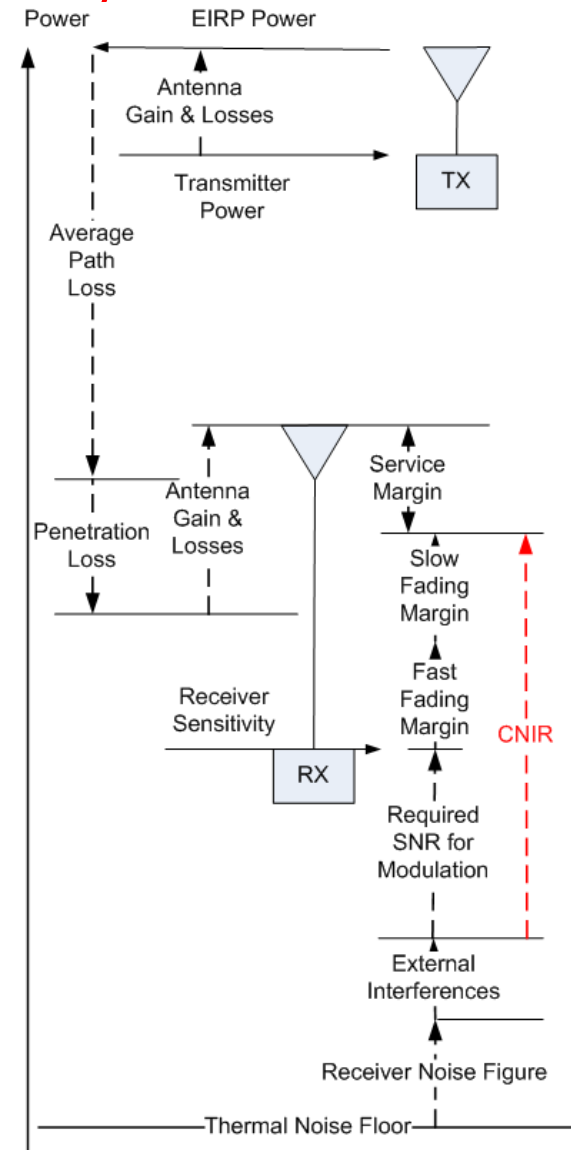


What is in a Link Budget?

CNIR (Carrier to Noise and Interference Ratio)

- Theoretical **Channel Models** are devised to model specific fading statistics, with the purpose of comparing performances
- 3GPP standardized several channel models for this purpose (all of them outdoor)

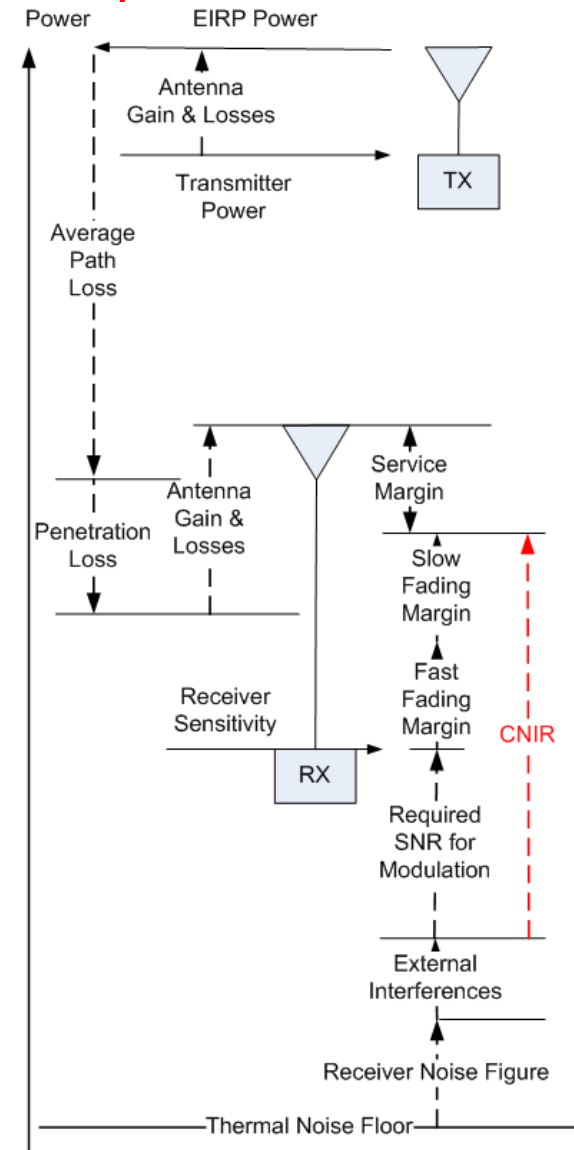
Extended ITU Models	Extended Pedestrian A (EPA)		Extended Vehicular A (EVA)		Extended Typical Urban (ETU)	
	Multipath	Relative delay (ns)	Relative power (dB)	Relative delay (ns)	Relative power (dB)	Relative power (dB)
1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
2	30	-1	30	-1.5	50	-1
3	70	-2	150	-1.4	120	-1
4	80	-3	310	-3.6	200	0
5	110	-8	710	-0.6	230	0
6	190	-17.2	1090	-9.1	500	0
7	410	-20.8	1730	-7	1600	-3
8			2510	-12	2300	-5
9				-16.9	5000	-7
Doppler Shift	Shift (Hz)		Shift (Hz)		Shift (Hz)	
1 (2 km/h)	5		5		5	
2 (30 km/h)	70		70		70	
3 (120 km/h)	300		300		300	
4 (350 km/h)	1,000		1,000		1,000	



What is in a Link Budget?

CNIR (Carrier to Noise and Interference Ratio)

- In real life each prediction pixel may have a different Channel Model, which should be predicted based on parameters like:
 - LOS
 - Distance
 - Antenna height
 - Antenna type
 - Clutter factor
- Indoor fading is always of the Rayleigh type
- The channel type will then define which fading type should be applied and consequently the value of the CNIR required



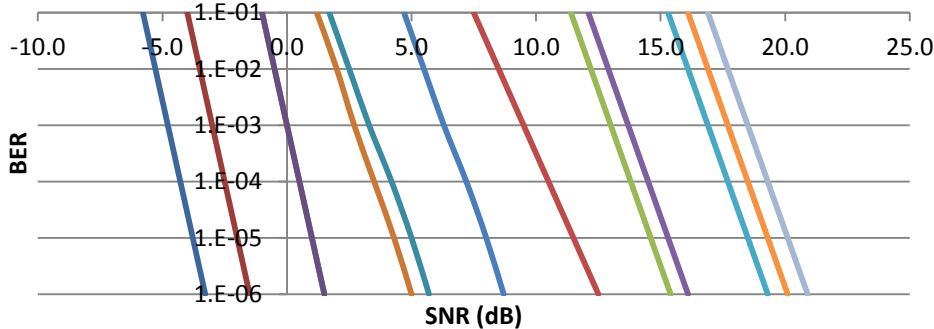
What is in a Link Budget?

- CNIR (Carrier to Noise and Interference Ratio) curves**

- A Gaussian channel requires a CINR of -5 dB for a 10^{-3} error rate
- A Rayleigh channel requires a CINR of 10 dB for a 10^{-3} error rate

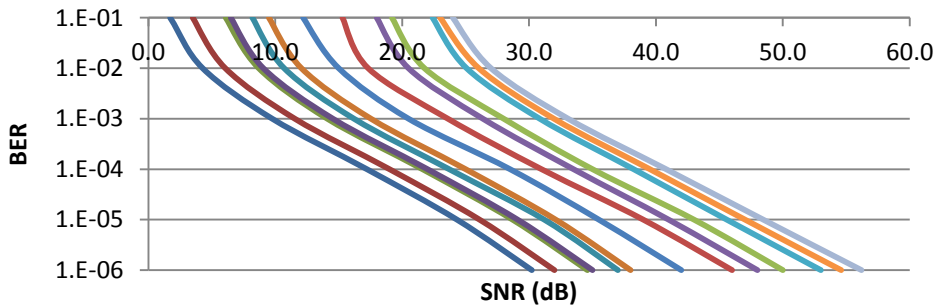
SNR x BER for different modulations

AWGN channel



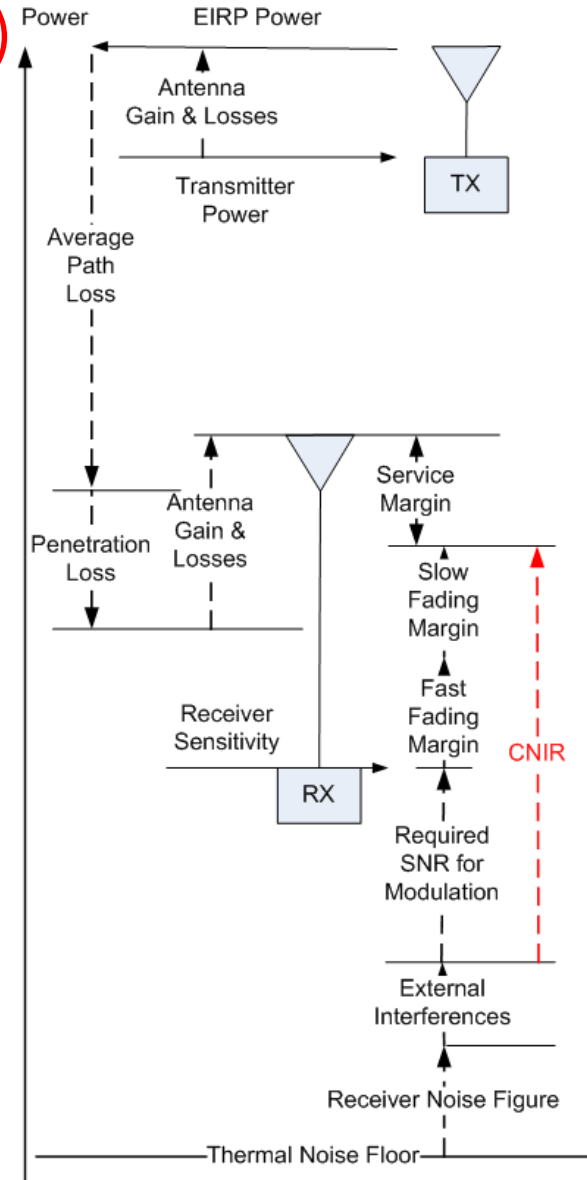
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Rayleigh channel



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- BPSK 1/2
- BPSK 3/4
- QPSK 1/2
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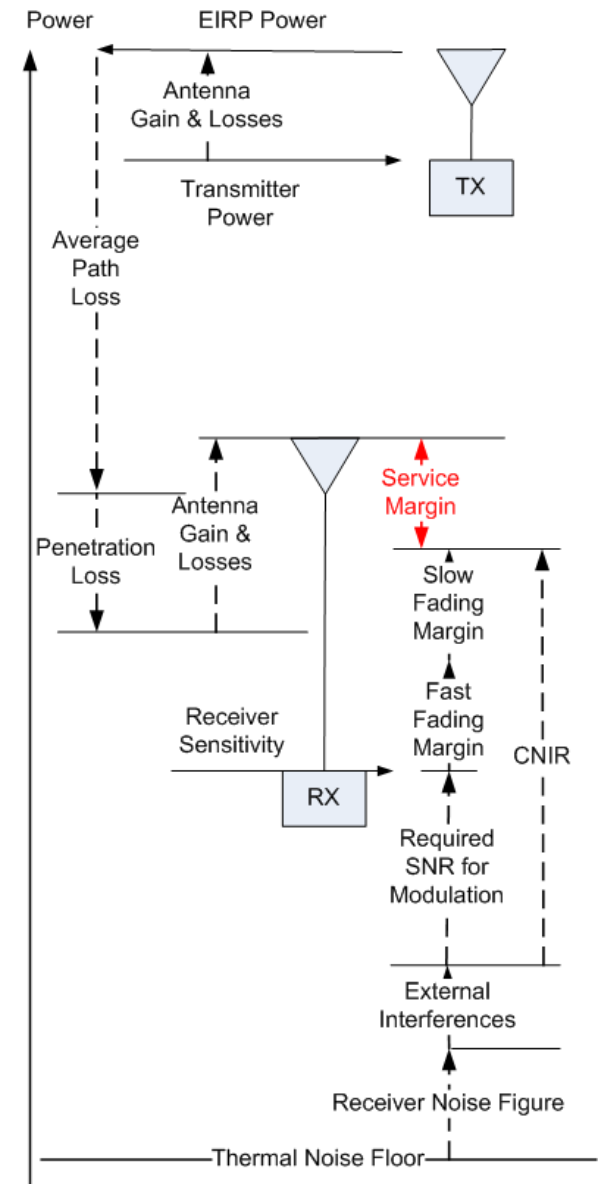
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- 64QAM 5/6



What is in a Link Budget?

Service Margin

- Service Margin
 - The difference between the power budget and the noise/interference budget is the **Service Margin**



Conclusions

- Beware of excessive claims by organizations and vendors
- We should benefit from having two active standards
 - Stimulates competition
 - Offers options for different applications and costs
- WiMAX is a mature and more affordable technology
- LTE may be more convenient for 2G/3G operators with large infrastructure deployments
- Many operators are deploying both technologies, focusing different market segments
 - WiMAX: fixed and nomadic
 - LTE: mobile



Thank You!



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