Cellular Networks:

1st Generation (1 G) ---> 1980s :

- -- Emf is used to transfer data.
- -- Metal wires were used between source tower to destination tower.
- -- Analog wave is used to transfer data. later it was replaced with digital wave.
- -- only voice data transfer is done.

2nd Generation (2 G) --> 1990s:

- -- CDMA is used in 2G. we can use only sim of the same company as of mobile.
- -- GSM(Global system for Mobile communication) Architecture:
 - -- Mobile station = SIM(Subscribers Identity Module) + mobile equipment.
 - -- BTS (base trans-reciever station) = cell tower.
 - -- BSC(Base station controller). = 2 or more cell tower.
 - -- BSS(Base station Sub system). = BSC + BTS.
 - -- MSC(Mobile switching Centre) = multiple BSC are connected to it.
 - -- VLR(Visitor location register)
 - -- HLR(Home location register)
 - -- AUC(Authentication centre)
 - -- EIR(Equipment identity Register)
 - -- OMC(Operation Maintenance Centre)
 - -- IMEI no.(International Mobile Equipment Identity number).
 - -- Handoff:
 - -- While Switching from one cell to another cell the BTS are also changed.
 - -- Two types of handoff:
 - 1. SOFT --> make before break. (before(handoff) breaking previous connection with BTS1, it is connected to BTS2 range.)
 - 2. HARD --> break before make.(before(handoff) making with another connection with BTS2, the previous connection is break with BTS1.)

3rd Generation ---> 2008 :

4th Generation --> 2010:

- -- Video call.
- -- high frequency.
- -- high speed than 3G.
- -- upto 6GHz

5th Genearation -->

- -- Data transfer in mili seconds.
- -- High bandwidth: maximum amount of data transmitted over internet in a given amount of time.
- -- ultra low latency.
- -- High fregency ranges = high bandwidth.
- -- more than 6GHz.