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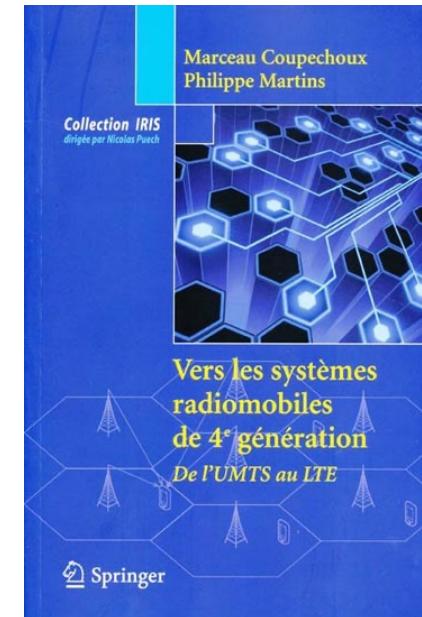


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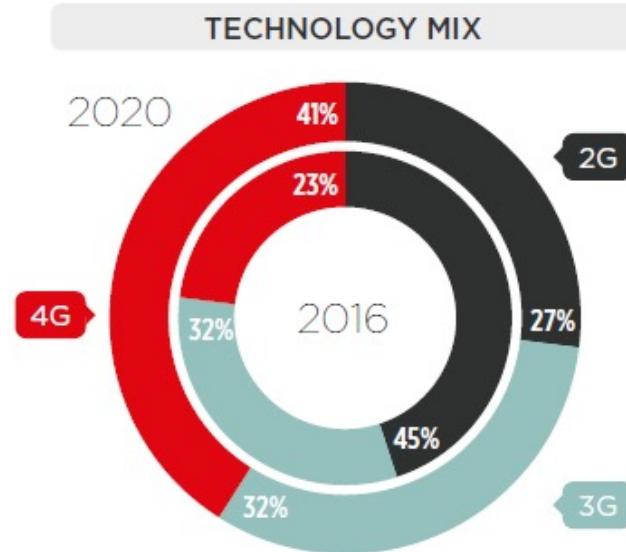
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# Outline

- LTE context
- LTE Architecture
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- Radio Dimensioning and Planning
- Mobility in LTE
- LTE-A

## □ LTE Context



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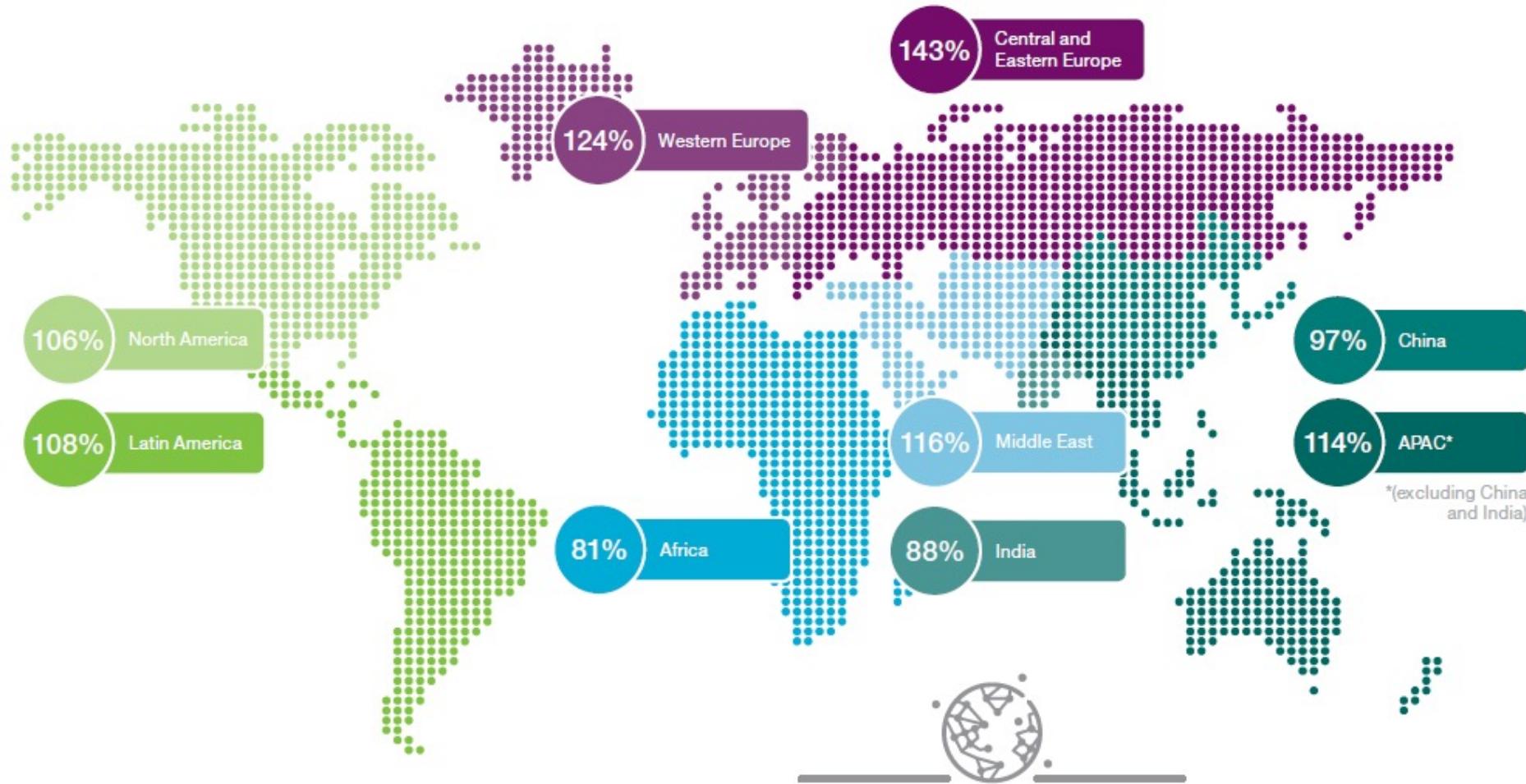
2016 → 2020  
65% 73%

SMARTPHONE ADOPTION

2016 → 2020  
51% 65%

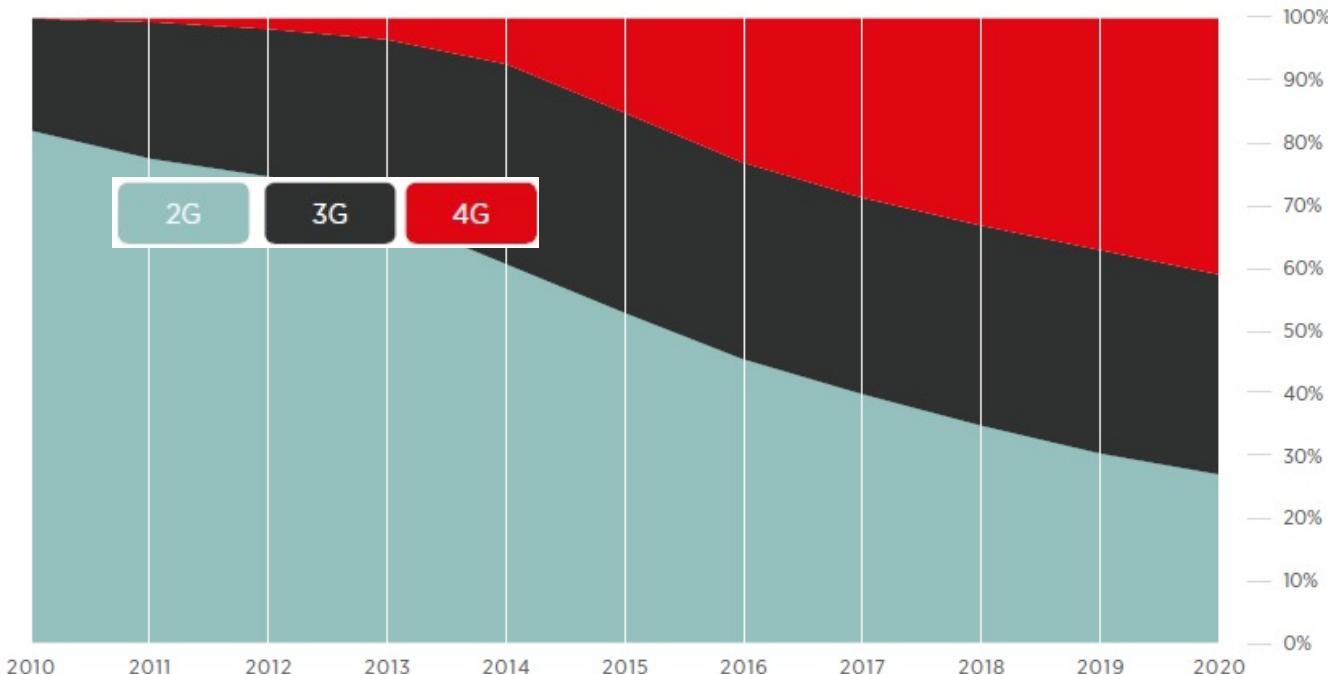
# Worldwide mobile networks

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# Worldwide mobile networks

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**5,08 BILLION**  
unique mobile subscribers

Cellular Network Generation	Maximum Downlink Data Rates	Latency	Current Coverage (1 Low – 5 High)
2G	GPRS	140.8 kbps	★★★★★
	EDGE	473.6 kbps	★★★
3G	UMTS	384 kbps	★★★★★
	HSPA	14.4 Mbps	★★★★★
4G	HSPA+	42.2 Mbps	★★
	LTE	173 Mbps	★

# LTE services



# LTE standardisation

- **Long Term Evolution** standardized by 3GPP
  - LTE R8 finalized in 2008.
  - System Architecture Evolution: SAE finalized in 2009
- IMT-adv specifications:
  - 100 Mbps ↓, 50 Mbps ↑
  - Web-browsing, FTP, video-streaming, VoIP with same voice quality as in 2G/3G networks
- First launches:
  - 2009: Telia Sonera : Stockholm & Oslo (Ericsson)
    - NTT Docomo: « Xi » (Cross i), Dec. 2010
    - Verizon: Chicago, New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, déc. 2010
  - End 2012: 146 networks
  - Nov. 2013: 245 networks / 92 countries



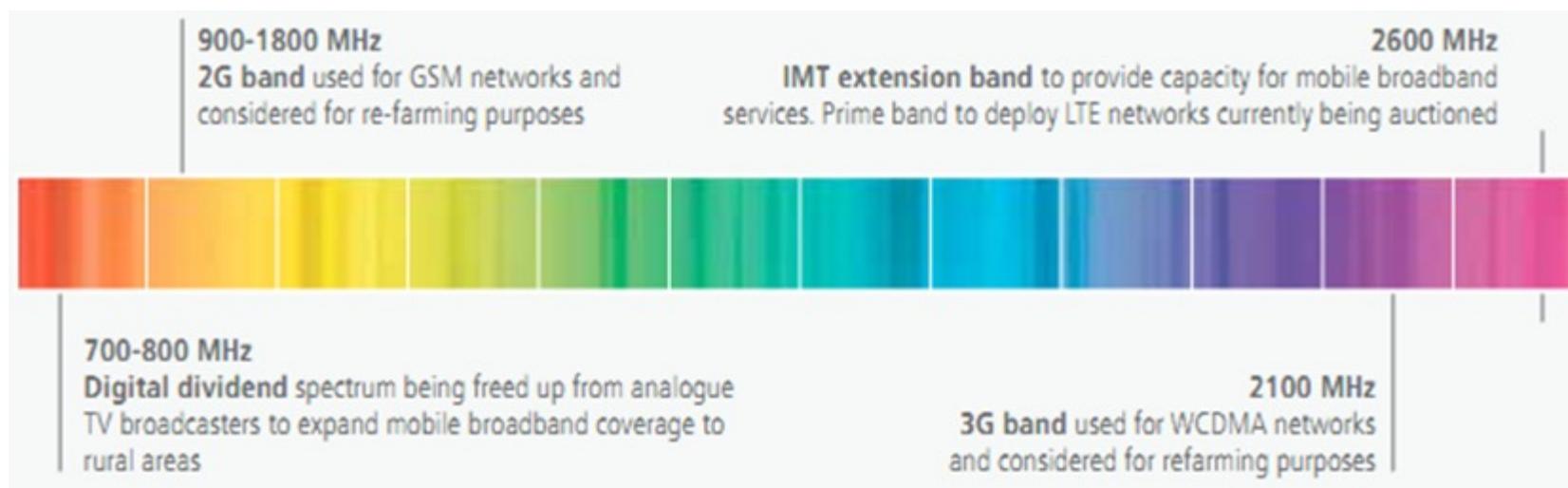
# LTE networks commercial launches

Country	Operator	Launch
Norway	TeliaSonera (NetCom)	14.12.09
Sweden	TeliaSonera	14.12.09
Uzbekistan	MTS	28.07.10
Uzbekistan	UCell	09.08.10
Poland	Aero2 (LTE FDD and TDD)	07.09.10
USA	MetroPCS	21.09.10
Austria	A1 Telekom	05.11.10
Sweden	Telenor Sweden	15.11.10
Sweden	Tele2 Sweden	15.11.10
Hong Kong	CSL Limited	25.11.10
Finland	TeliaSonera	30.11.10
Germany	Vodafone	01.12.10
USA	Verizon Wireless	05.12.10
Finland	Elisa	08.12.10
Denmark	TeliaSonera	09.12.10
Estonia	EMT	17.12.10
Japan	NTT DoCoMo	24.12.10
Germany	Deutsche Telekom	05.04.11
Philippines	Smart Communications	16.04.11
Lithuania	Omnitel	28.04.11
Latvia	LMT	31.05.11
Singapore	M1	21.06.11
South Korea	SK Telecom	01.07.11
South Korea	LG U+	01.07.11
Germany	O2	01.07.11
Canada	Rogers Wireless	07.07.11
Austria	T-Mobile	28.07.11
USA	Mosaic Telecom	07.2011
Canada	Bell Mobility	14.09.11
Saudi Arabia	Mobily (LTE TDD)	14.09.11
Saudi Arabia	STC (LTE TDD)	14.09.11
Saudi Arabia	Zain	14.09.11
USA	AT&T Mobility	18.09.11

UAE	Etisalat	25.09.11	USA	Cellcom	30.04.12
Australia	Telstra	27.09.11	USA	Pioneer Cellular	30.04.12
Denmark	TDC	10.10.11	Netherlands	Vodafone	01.05.12
Austria	3	18.11.11	Hong Kong	Hutchison 3 HK	02.05.12
Puerto Rico	AT&T Mobility	20.11.11	Netherlands	Ziggo	03.05.12
Puerto Rico	Claro	24.11.11	Netherlands	Tele2	08.05.12
Kyrgyzstan	Saima Telecom	09.12.11	Netherlands	KPN	11.05.12
Brazil	Sky Brazil (LTE TDD)	13.12.11	Netherlands	T-Mobile	11.05.12
Finland	DNA	13.12.11	Namibia	MTC	16.05.12
Uruguay	Antel	13.12.11	USA	BendBroadband	17.05.12
USA	Cricket	21.12.11	Tanzania	Smile	30.05.12
Singapore	SingTel	22.12.11	UAE	Du	12.06.12
Kuwait	Viva	27.12.11	Colombia	Une-UPM	14.06.12
Armenia	Vivacell-MTS	28.12.11	Azerbaijan	Azercell	19.06.12
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Russia	Yota	15.01.12	Guam	IT&E	28.06.12
Canada	TELUS	10.02.12	Hungary	Telenor Hungary	05.07.12
USA	Peoples Telephone Co-op	14.02.12	Dominican R.	Orange Dominicana	09.07.12
Japan	Softbank Mobile XGP/LTE TDD	24.02.12	Slovenia	Si.mobil	12.07.12
Portugal	TMN (Portugal Telecom)	12.03.12	USA	Sprint	15.07.12
Portugal	Vodafone Portugal	12.03.12	Oman	Omantel (LTE TDD)	16.07.12
Portugal	Optimus	15.03.12	Australia	Optus	31.07.12
Japan	eAccess	15.03.12	Mauritius	Emtel	July 2012
USA	US Cellular	22.03.12	Slovak Rep	Telefonica O2	02.08.12
Croatia	T Mobile/T-Hrvatski Telekom	23.03.12	Hong Kong	Smartone	28.08.12
Croatia	VIPNet	23.03.12	Russia	MTS (LTE TDD)	01.09.12
USA	Panhandle (PTCI)	03.2012	USA	C Spire Wireless	10.09.12
Australia	NBN Co (LTE TDD)	02.04.12	Singapore	StarHub	19.09.12
India	Bharti Airtel (LTE TDD)	10.04.12	Japan	KDDI	21.09.12
Angola	Movicel	14.04.12	Japan	Softbank Mobile	21.09.12
Puerto Rico	Open Mobile	19.04.12	Canada	MTS	25.09.12
Moldova	IDC	21.04.12	Denmark	3 Denmark	28.09.12
Sweden	3 (LTE FDD and TDD)	23.04.12	Philippines	Globe	28.09.12
Hong Kong	China Mobile HK	25.04.12	Luxembourg	Tango	01.10.12
Hong Kong	PCCW	25.04.12	Guam	DoCoMo Pacific	04.10.12
UK	EE (Everything Everywhere)	30.10.12	Tajikistan	Babilon-Mobile	06.10.12
South Africa	Vodacom	10.10.12	Norway	Telenor	10.10.12
USA	Alaska Communications	12.10.12	USA	Orange	29.10.12
Luxembourg	Orange	30.10.12	UK	EE (Everything Everywhere)	30.10.12

# LTE carrier frequency bands

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# LTE carrier frequency bands

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- Licensed:

- frequency carrier bands:
  - 700-800 MHz
  - 2,3 GHz
  - 2,5-2,6 GHz
- more than 40 available bands!
- existing systems reuse bands:
  - 900 MHz,
  - 1800 MHz,
  - 2100 MHz

- Duplexing:

- FDD
- TDD

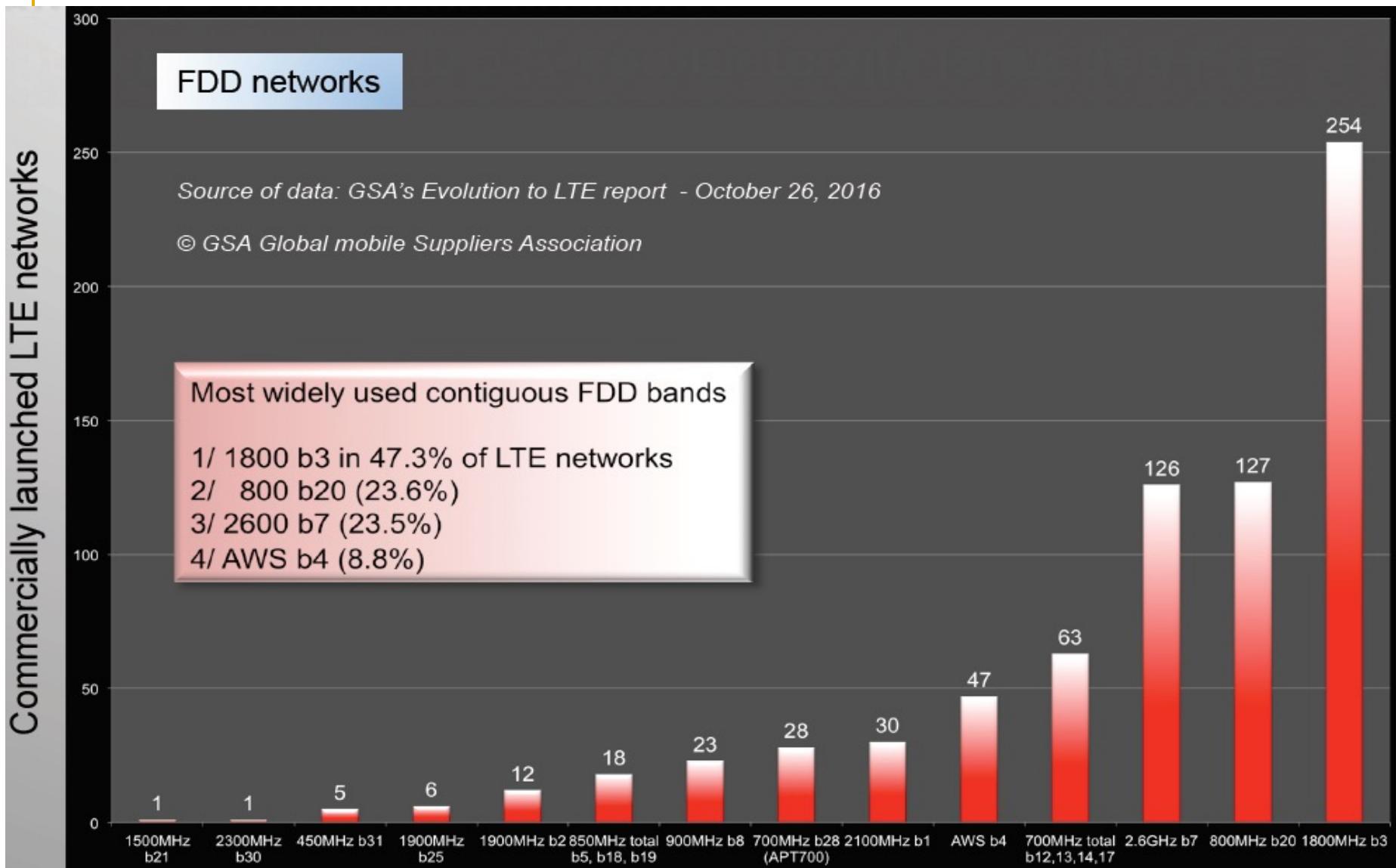
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	F <sub>UL_low</sub>	-	F <sub>UL_high</sub>	-	
1	1920 MHz		1980 MHz		FDD
2	1850 MHz		1910 MHz		FDD
3	1710 MHz		1785 MHz		FDD
4	1710 MHz		1755 MHz		FDD
5	824 MHz		849 MHz		FDD
6 <sup>1</sup>	830 MHz		840 MHz		FDD
7	2500 MHz		2570 MHz		FDD
8	880 MHz		915 MHz		FDD
9	1749.9 MHz		1784.9 MHz		FDD
10	1710 MHz		1770 MHz		FDD
11	1427.9 MHz		1447.9 MHz		FDD
12	699 MHz		716 MHz		FDD
13	777 MHz		787 MHz		FDD
14	788 MHz		798 MHz		FDD
15	Reserved		Reserved		FDD
16	Reserved		Reserved		FDD
17	704 MHz		716 MHz		FDD
18	815 MHz		830 MHz		FDD
19	830 MHz		845 MHz		FDD
20	832 MHz		862 MHz		FDD
21	1447.9 MHz		1462.9 MHz		FDD
22	3410 MHz		3490 MHz		FDD
23	2000 MHz		2020 MHz		FDD
24	1626.5 MHz		1660.5 MHz		FDD
25	1850 MHz		1915 MHz		FDD
26	814 MHz		849 MHz		FDD
27	807 MHz		824 MHz		FDD
28	703 MHz		748 MHz		FDD
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33	1900 MHz		1920 MHz		TDD
34	2010 MHz		2025 MHz		TDD
35	1850 MHz		1910 MHz		TDD
36	1930 MHz		1990 MHz		TDD
37	1910 MHz		1930 MHz		TDD
38	2570 MHz		2620 MHz		TDD
39	1880 MHz		1920 MHz		TDD
40	2300 MHz		2400 MHz		TDD
41	2496 MHz		2690 MHz		TDD
42	3400 MHz		3600 MHz		TDD
43	3600 MHz		3800 MHz		TDD
44	703 MHz		803 MHz		TDD

NOTE 1: Band 6 is not applicable

# LTE worldwide spectrum availability



# LTE carrier frequency bands deployed



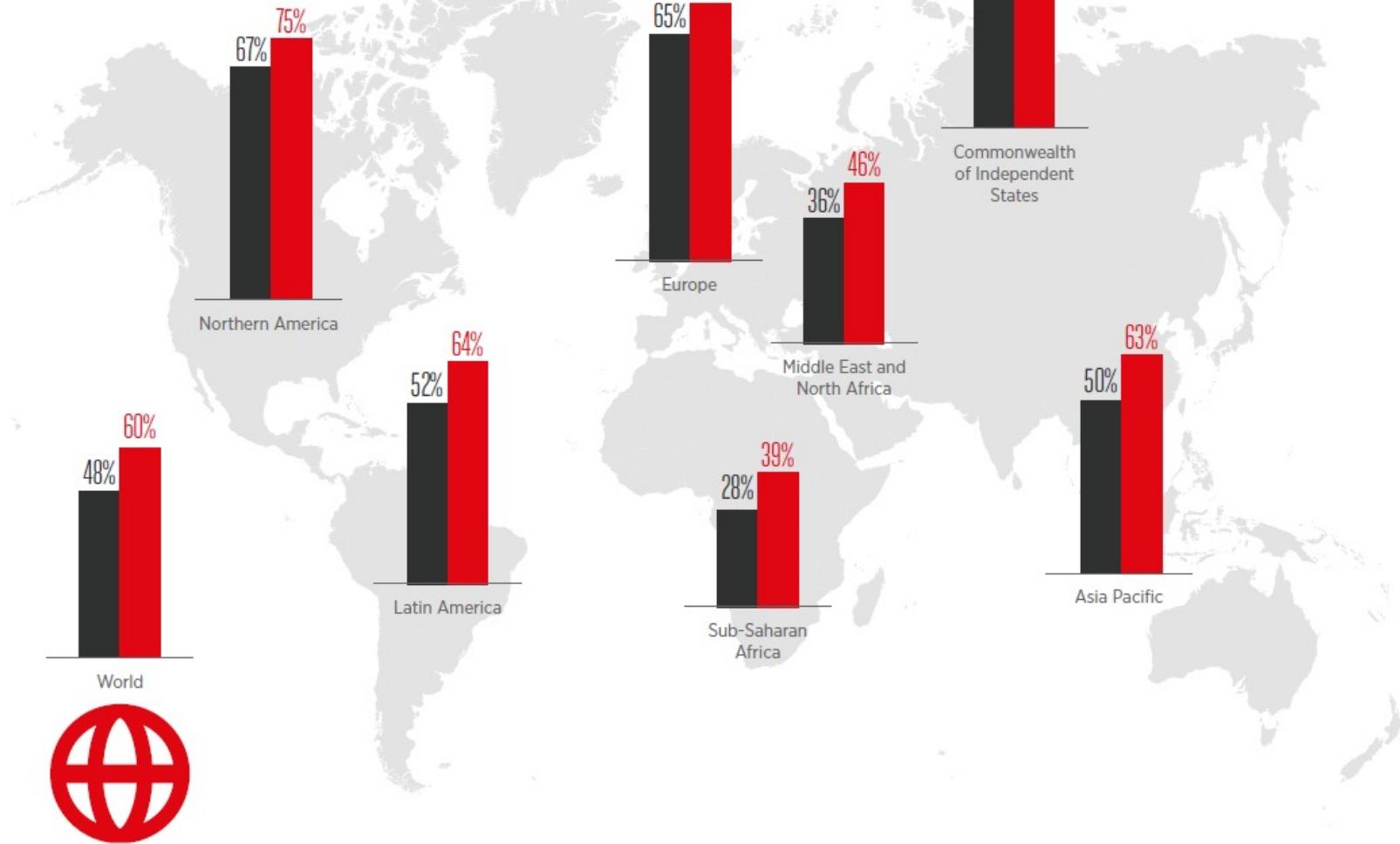
# LTE carrier frequency bands in France

- Band 7 and 20 only ⇒ LTE FDD
- Band 7, around 2.6 GHz:
  - 2500 – 2570 MHz, 2620 – 2690 MHz
  - duplexing: 120 MHz
  - Bouygues Telecom, SFR : 2 x 15 MHz:
    - 2535 – 2550, 2655 – 2670 MHz
    - 2500 – 2515, 2620 – 2635 MHz
  - Free, Orange : 2 x 20 MHz:
    - 2550 – 2570 MHz, 2670 – 2690 MHz
    - 2515 – 2535 MHz, 2635 – 2655 MHz
- Bande 20, around 800 MHz :
  - 832 – 862 MHz, 791 – 821 MHz
  - duplexing : - 41 MHz 
  - Bouygues Telecom, SFR, Orange : 2 x 10 MHz
  - Roaming agreement between Free and SFR

# Mobile Internet Subscribers penetration

2016

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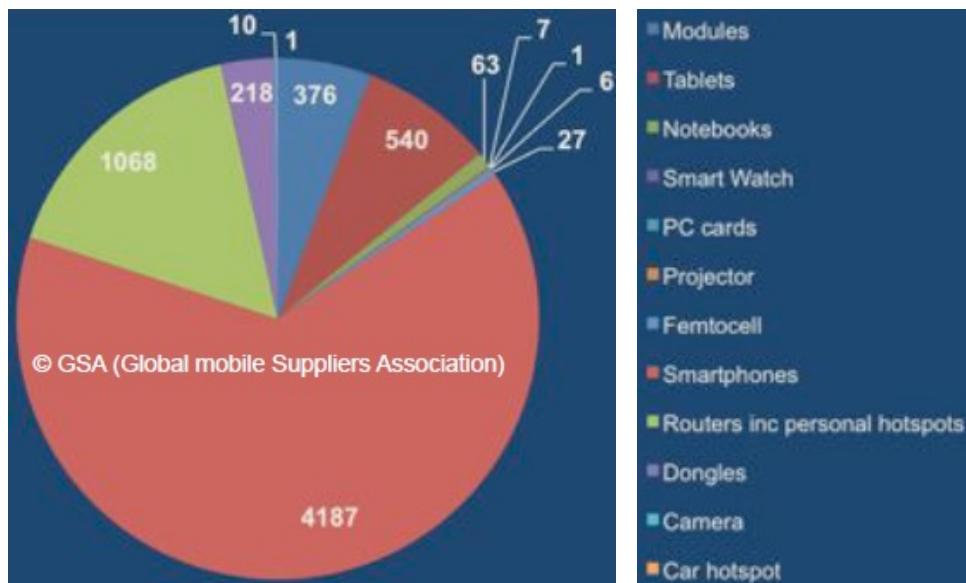


# LTE markets

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## ■ Dec 2013:

- 500 operators (143 countries) are investing on LTE
- 200 millions of subscribers (+350% over the past year!)
- 1064 users devices
- 111 equipments providers

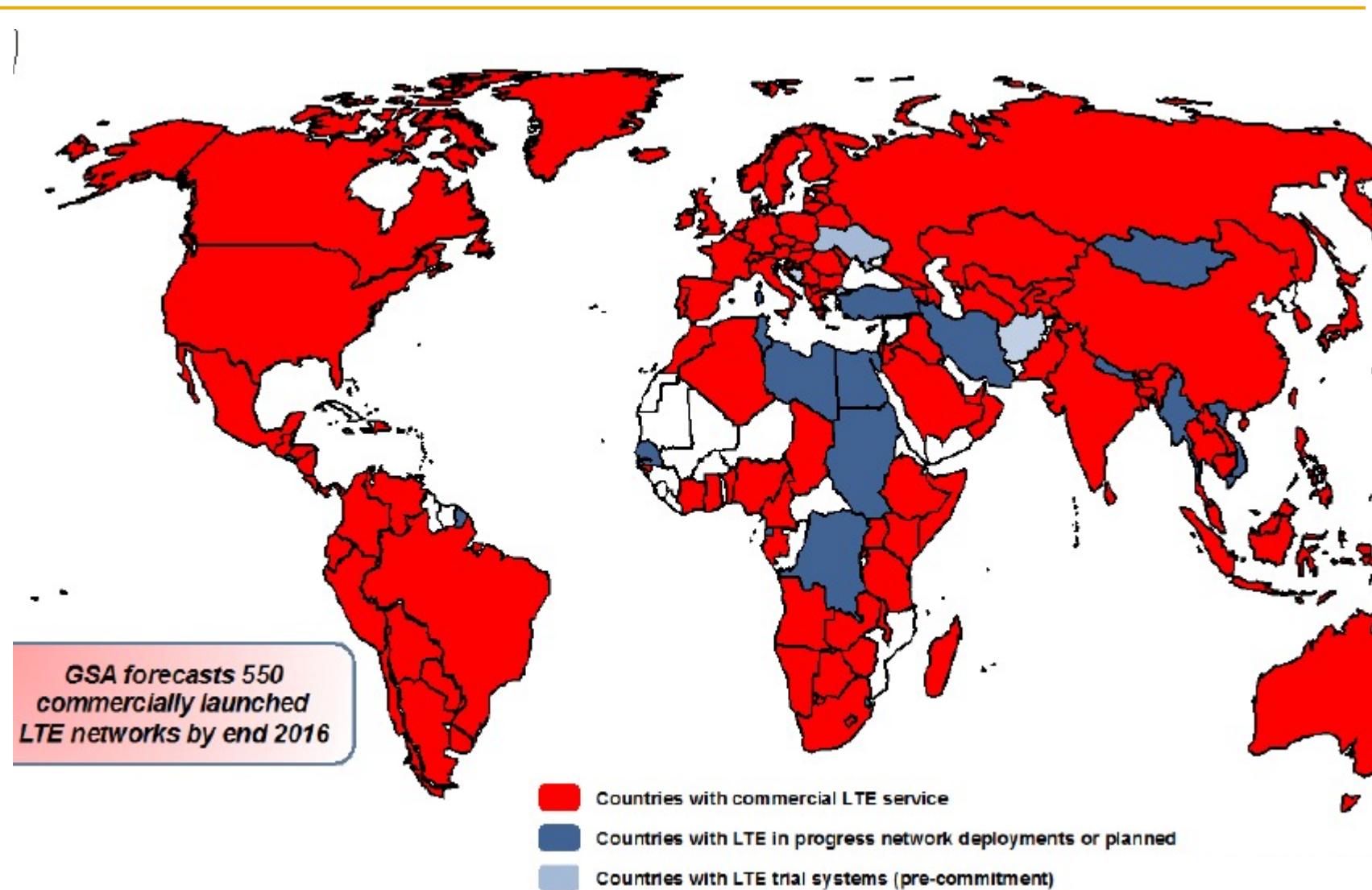


## ■ Dec 2016:

- 540 networks, 170 countries
- 1,6 billions of subscribers
- > 6000 users devices
- France : 10 millions subs.

# LTE markets

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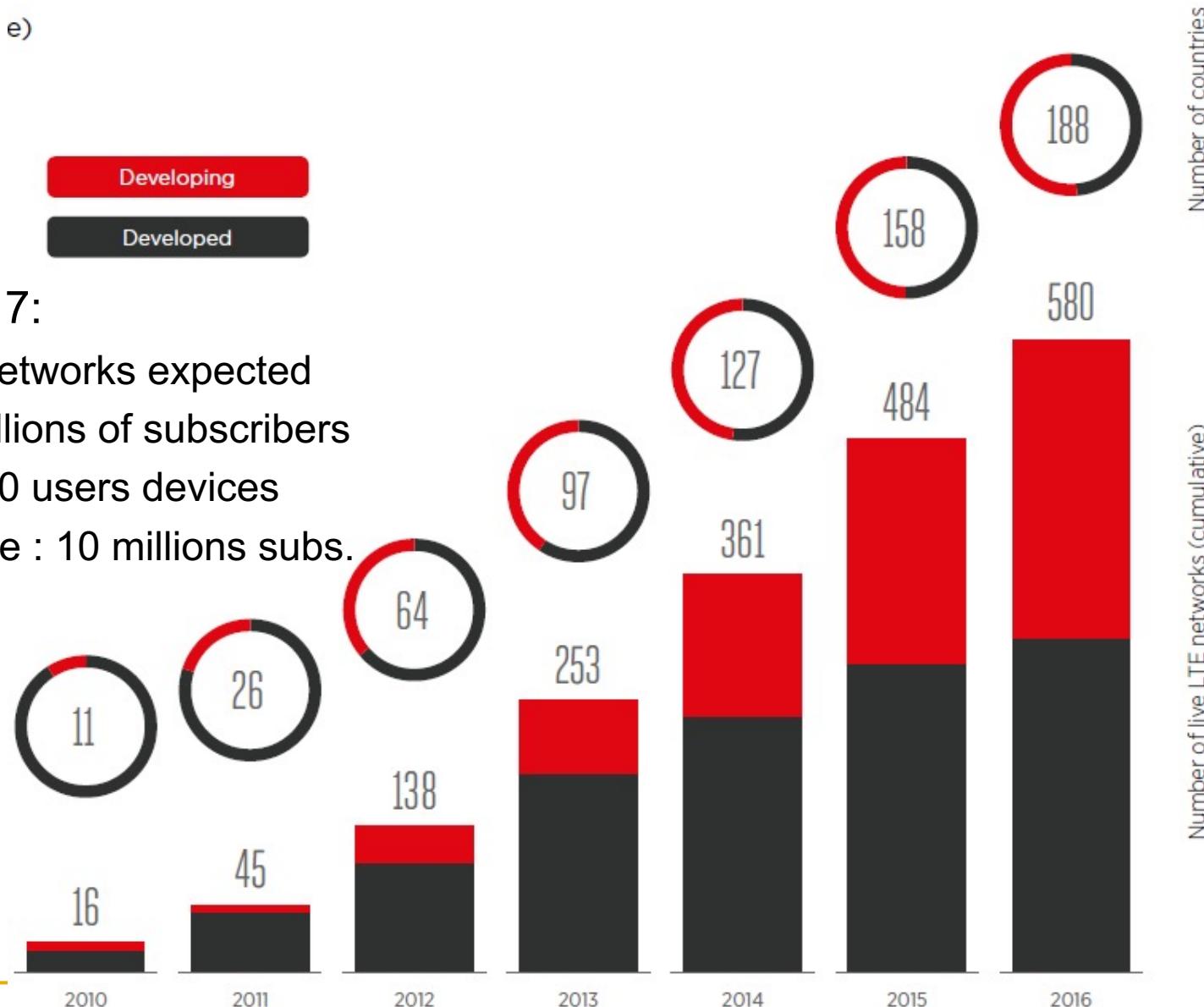


# LTE networks

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## Dec 2017:

- 635 networks expected
- 1,4 billions of subscribers
- > 7000 users devices
- France : 10 millions subs.



# LTE networks in France

- Orange:
  - pilot network: Marseille, June 2012,  
ext. to: Lyon, Lille and Nantes
  - commercial launch: Paris in Feb. 2013
  - carrier frequencies : 800 MHz / 2.6 GHz
- SFR:
  - pilot network: Lyon, Nov. 2012
  - commercial launch: La Défense in Jan. 2013, and then  
Marseille
  - carrier frequencies : 800 MHz / 2.6 GHz
- Bouygues Telecom:
  - pilot network: Lyon, June 2012
  - commercial launch: Lyon, Strasbourg, Toulouse in May 2013
  - carrier frequencies : 800 MHz / 1800 MHz / 2.6 GHz
- Free Mobile:
  - commercial launch: Dec 2013
  - carrier frequencies : 2.6 GHz

# LTE networks in France

 Dec 2017 radio access points	2G	3G	4G
	Orange	20700	20300
SFR	17100	17200	13500
Bouygues Telecom	14400	13000	13900
Free Mobile	-	6800	9100

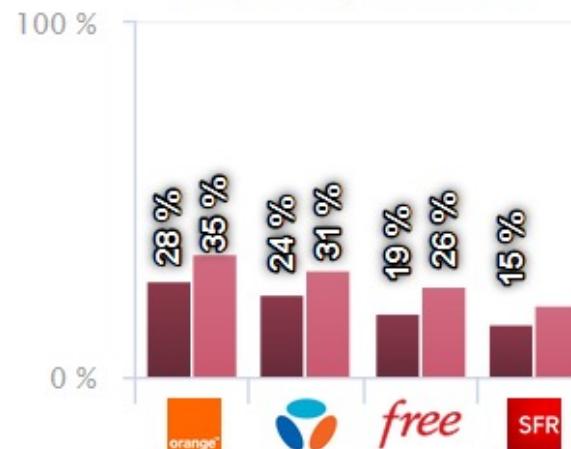
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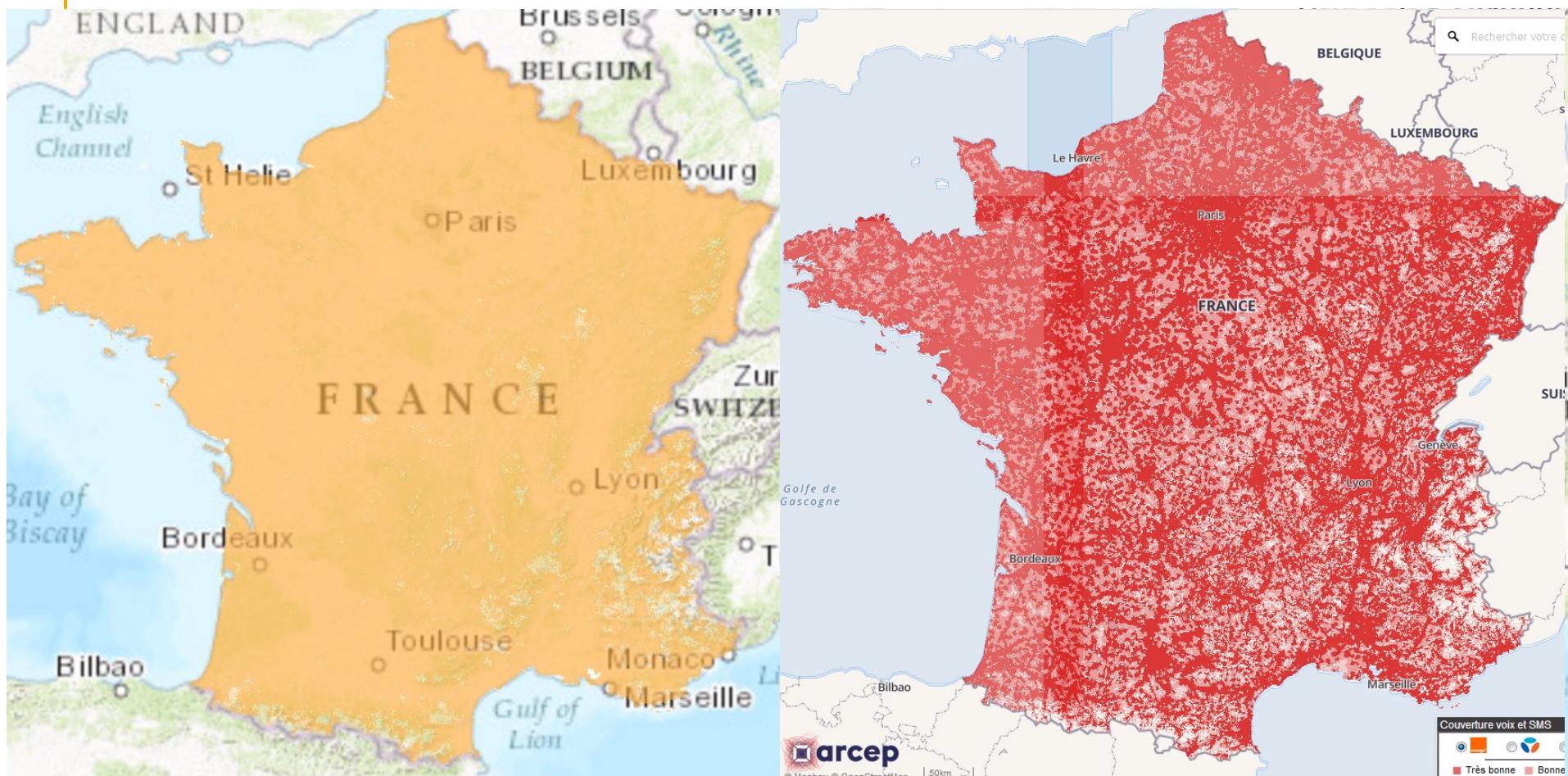
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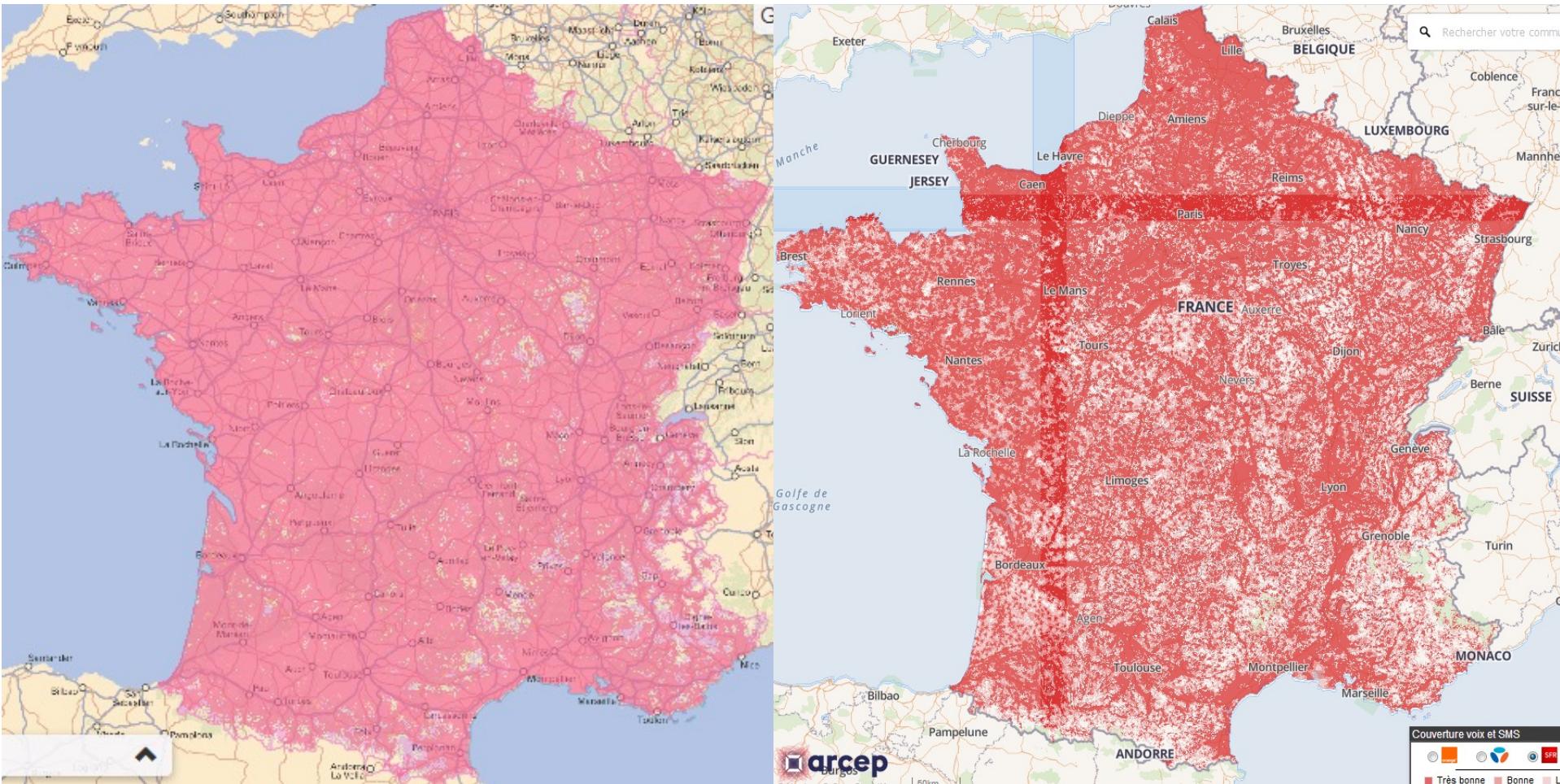
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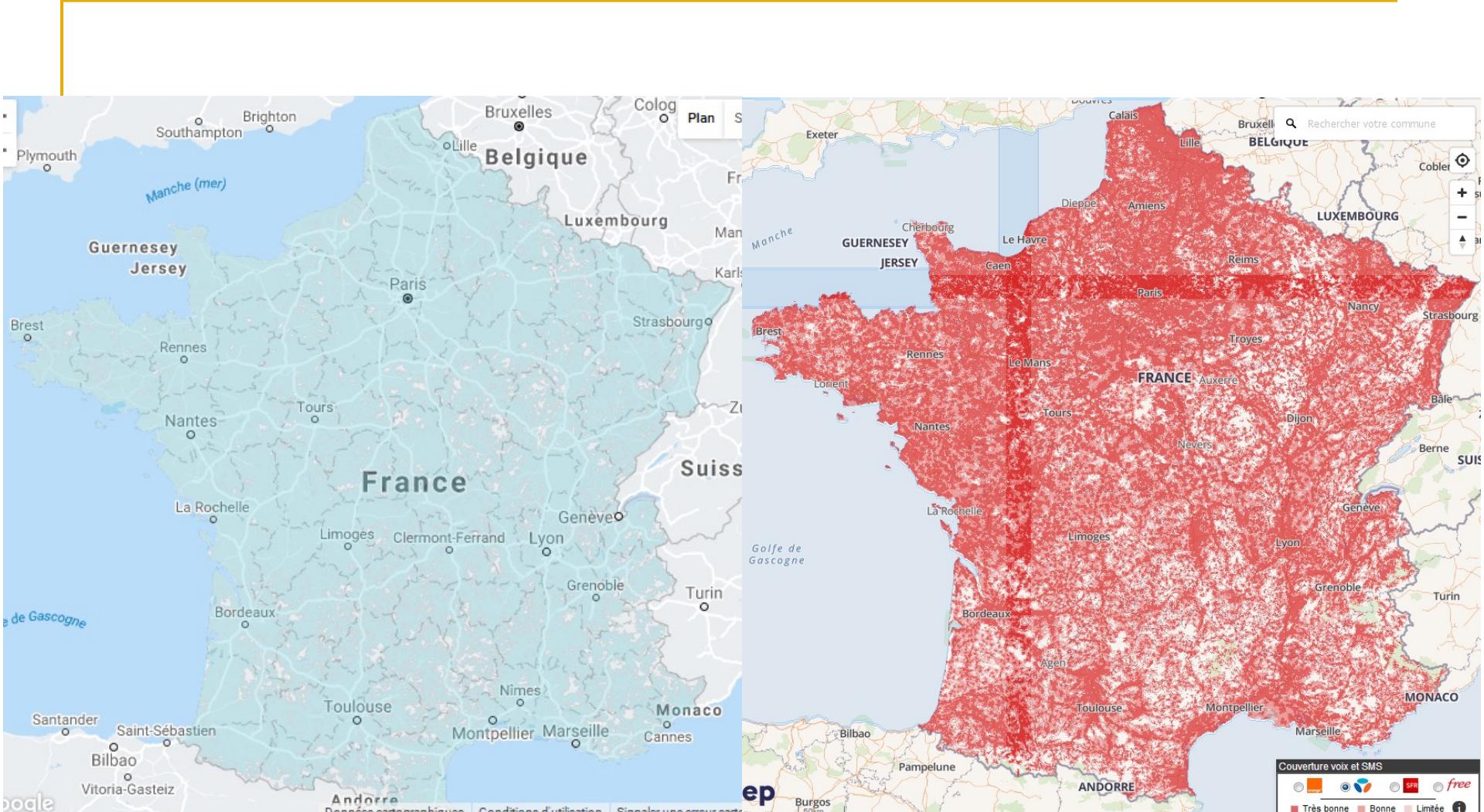
# 2G-3G/LTE coverage - Orange



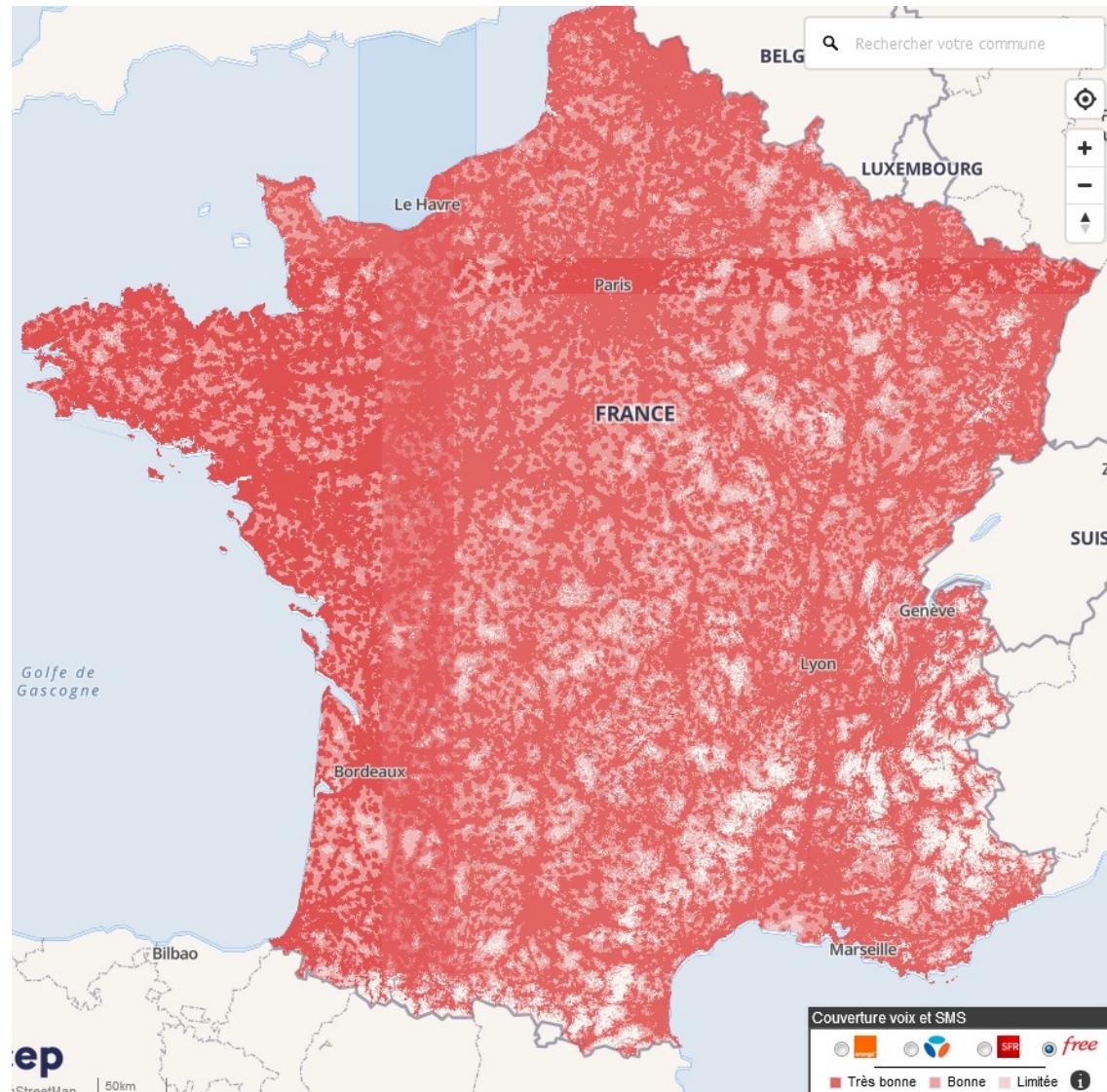
# 2G-3G/LTE coverage - SFR



# 2G-3G/LTE coverage – Bouygues Tel.

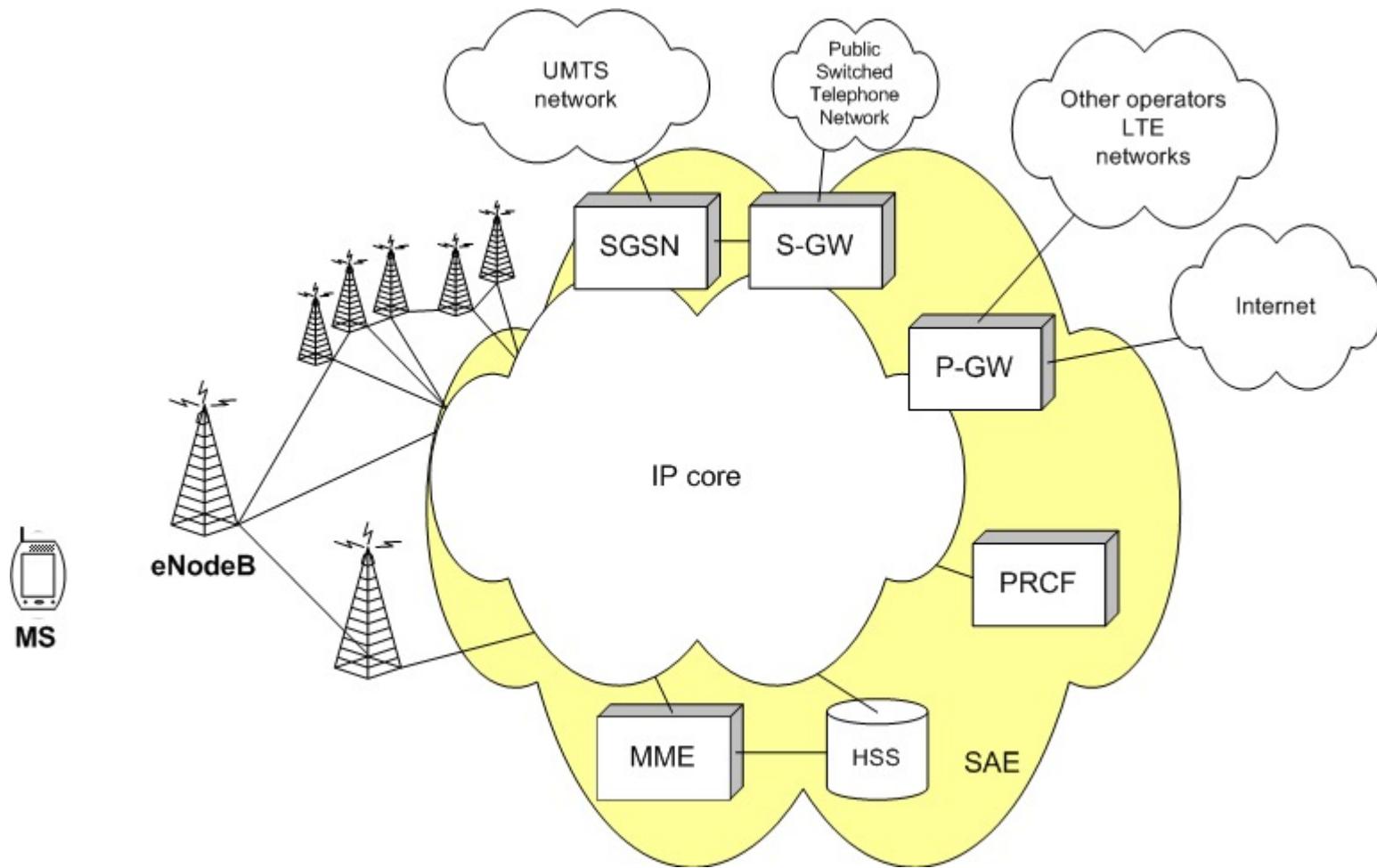


# LTE coverage – Free mobile



# LTE networks architecture

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# LTE networks architecture

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- Packet data **ONLY**: no more circuit services
- Devices maximum transmission power: 0.25 W (24 dBm)
- Access network:
  - connected eNodeB,
  - no controller
- SAE (System Architecture Evolution) defines an entirely new core network with a flatter all-IP architecture EPC (Evolved Packet Core) enabling:
  - higher data rate,
  - lower latency
  - packet-switched optimized system that supports multiple radio-access technologies, and all services ⇒ VoIP

# LTE networks architecture

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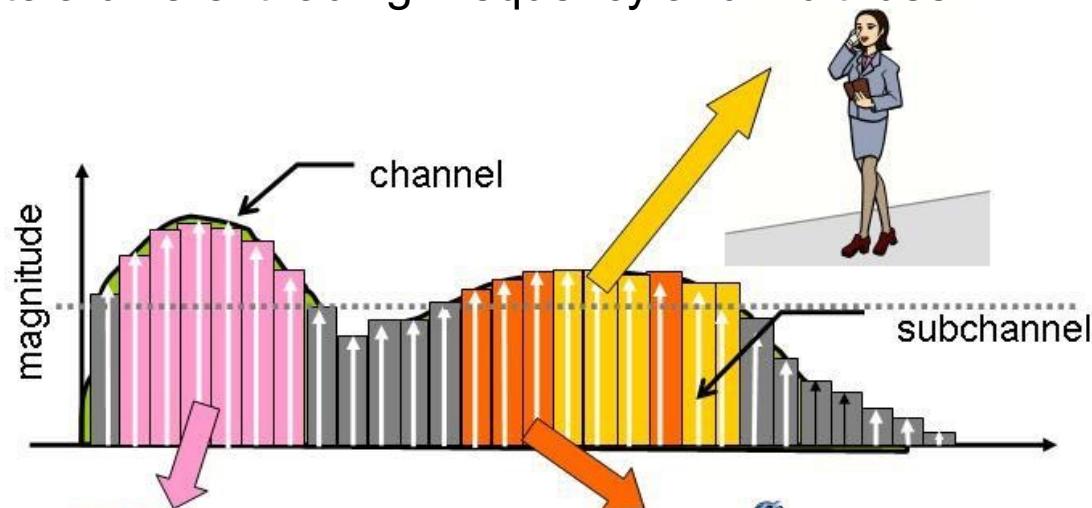
- EPC / for users data:
  - Serving-GW : interconnection with other 3GPP networks and RTCP
  - P-GW (PDN-GW): interconnection with internet
- EPC / for control:
  - HSS : Home Subscriber Server : Data Base
  - MME : Mobility Management Entity
    - Mobility management  $\Rightarrow$  HO, roaming, packets retransmission
    - Paging
    - Authentication with HSS
    - S-GW and P-GW selection
    - Link establishment
  - PCRF : Policy and Charging Rules Function :
    - Dynamic management, for each subscriber, of:
      - its sessions
      - its QoS information for the concerned P-GW
    - Charging policy of each packet in relation with the network's operator charging system

- Multiple access in LTE

# Multiple access: OFDMA principles

## ■ Pros:

- High flexibility in subcarrier allocation (to address users QoS constraints).
- Each subcarrier is subject to a different fading: frequency and multi-user diversity
- No intra-cell interference
- Efficiency for frequency selective channels



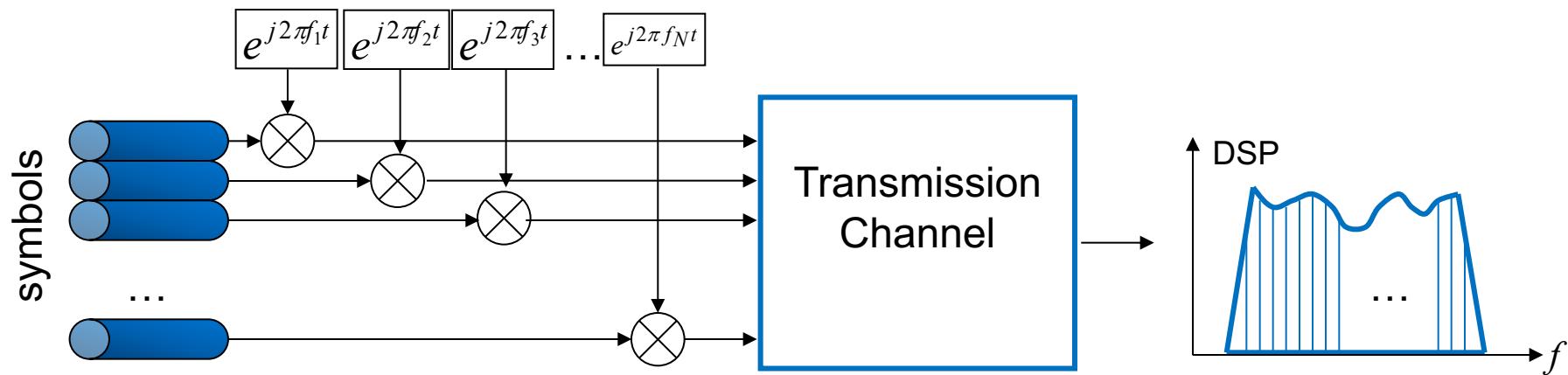
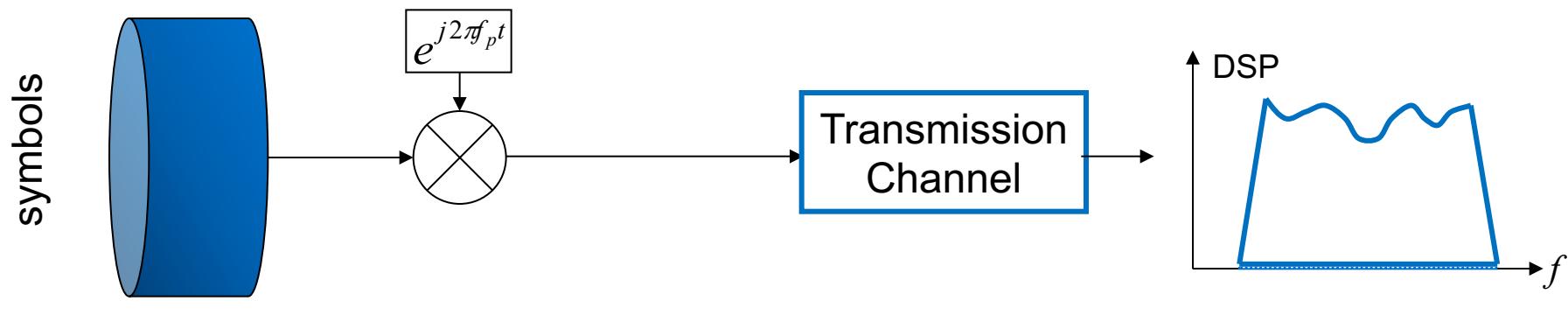
## ■ Cons:

- Bandwidth loss due to guard band (= cyclic prefix).
- Sensitive to frequency and phase delays.
- High Peak-to-Average-Power Ratio (PAPR) because different power levels may be allocated to the subcarriers  
⇒ requires expensive power amplifiers at transmission.



# OFDM principles

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# OFDM principles

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- OFDM symbols are transmitted in subcarriers, with a low throughput:
  - channel can be considered as constant in each sub-carrier  
⇒ easier reception, without equalization
  - cyclical prefix > propagation delay  
⇒ resistance to multipaths effects ↑
  - « basic » modulations in each subcarrier : QAM
- Sub-carrier spacing  $\Delta f$  to ensure « orthogonality » between the subcarriers:  
 $(D_{frame} = \text{symbol transmission duration in each subcarrier})$   
 => opération équivalente : FFT

$$\int_0^{D_{frame}} s_k e^{j2\pi f_1 t} e^{-j2\pi f_2 t} dt = 0$$

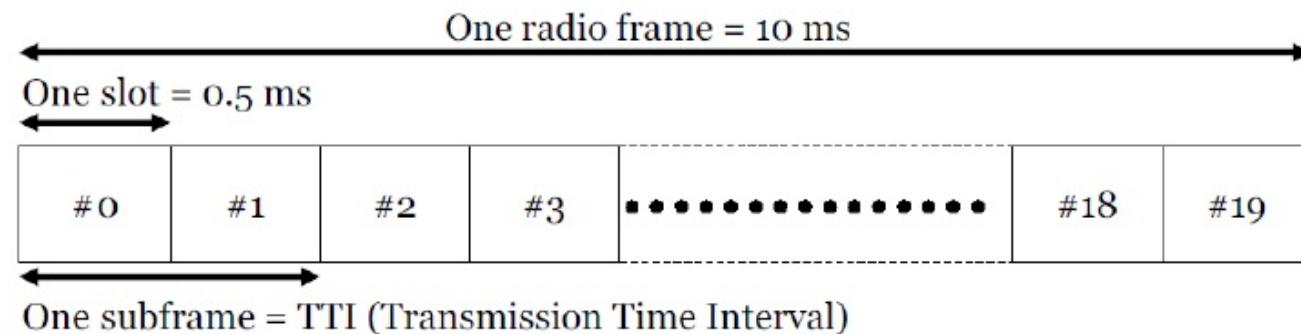
$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{D_{frame}}$$

- $D_{frame}$  : OFDM frame duration:
  - $T_S$  = necessary duration to create a symbol  $D_{frame} \geq N T_S$
  - $N$  = number of OFDM subcarriers

# Radio frame structure

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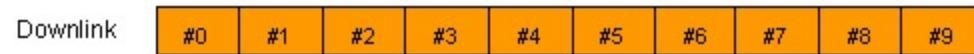
- A radio frame has duration of 10 ms:
  - 20 slots
  - TTI: 1 ms
- A resource block (RB) spans:
  - 12 subcarriers; one subcarrier has bandwidth of 15 kHz, thus 180 kHz per RB
  - a slot duration of 0.5 ms, that transmits 7 OFDM symbols in each subcarrier
- The allocation is replicated on the following 0.5 ms slot of the frame



# Radio frame structure

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- FDD mode



- TDD mode

one or two switching points ↑↓ are predefined in each frame

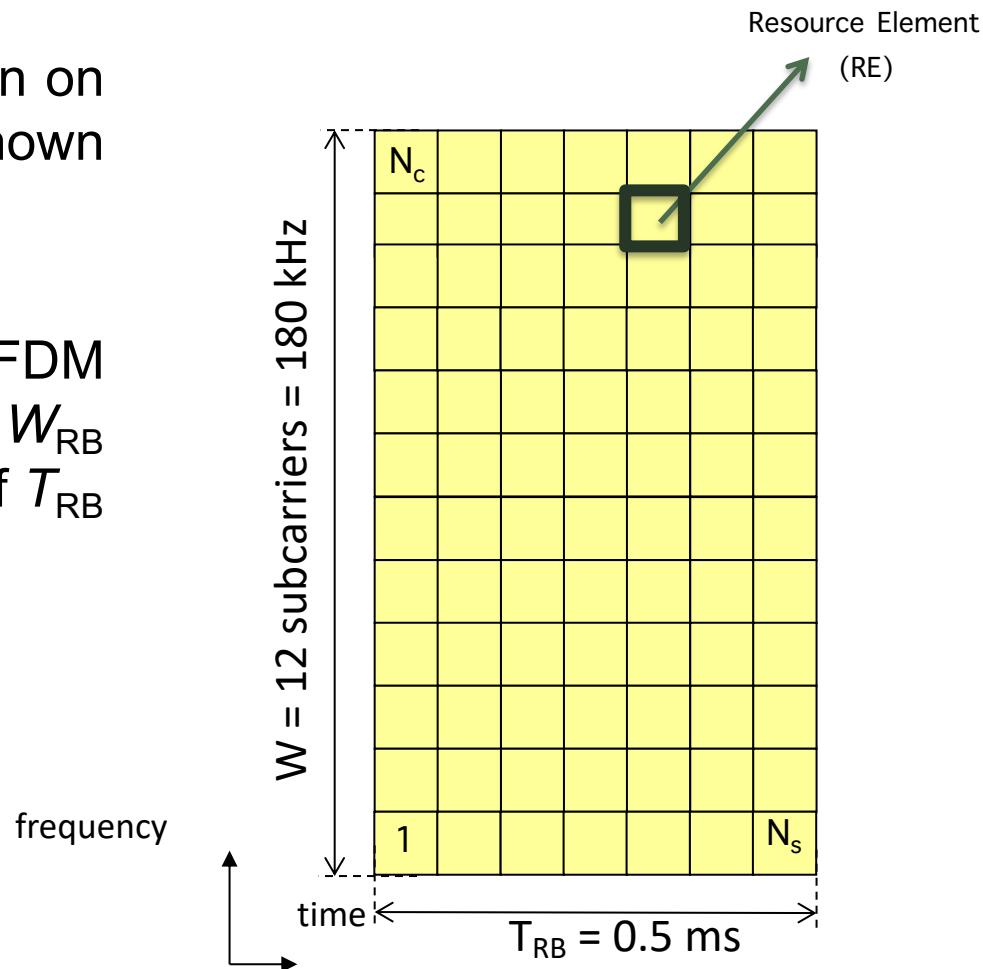
- At least four slots per frame for ↓

uplink-downlink configuration	Duplexing pattern											
	Legend:				Downlink				Uplink			
0	#0	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9		
1	#0	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9		
2	#0	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9		
3	#0	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9		
4	#0	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9		
5	#0	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9		
6	#0	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9		

# PHY Radio Resources in 4G

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- The smallest unit of transmission on which the exchange occurs is known as radio Resource Block (RB).
- It consists of  $N_c = 12$  OFDM subcarriers with total bandwidth  $W_{RB} = 180$  kHz and with a duration of  $T_{RB} = 0.5$  ms.



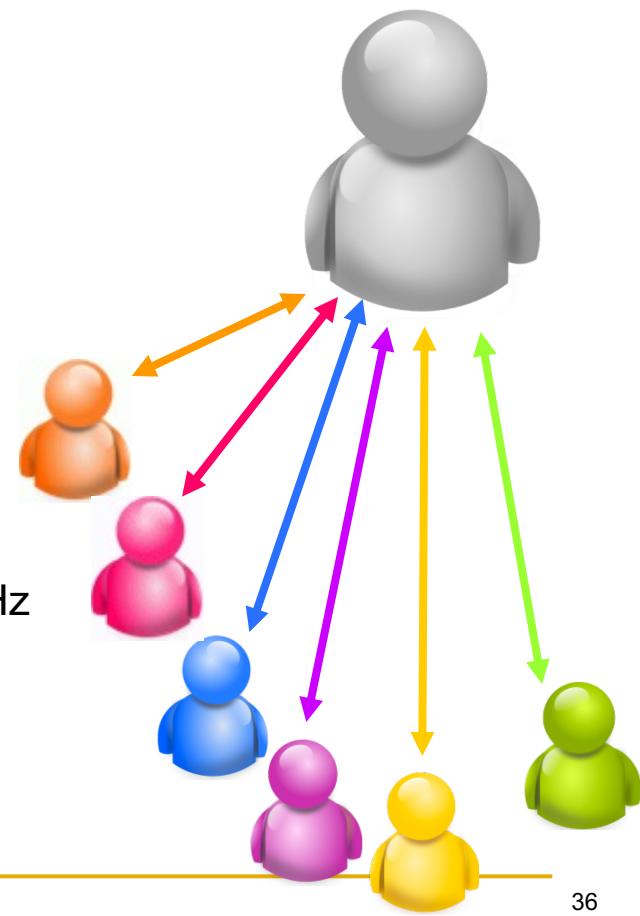
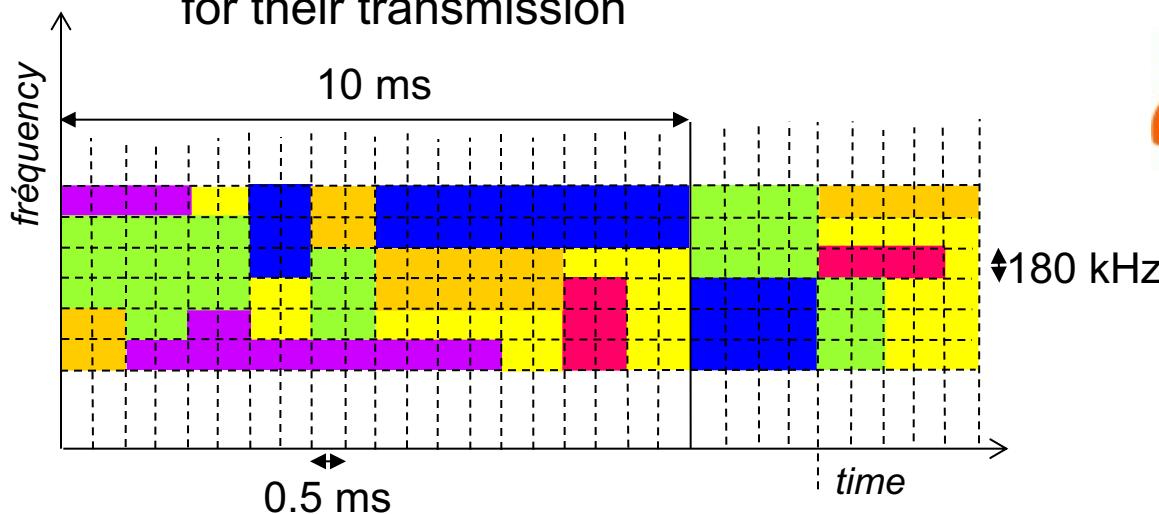
# LTE Resource Blocks (RBs)

Bandwidth	Nb of available RBs
1,4 MHz	6
3 MHz	15
5 MHz	25
10 MHz	50
15 MHz	75
20 MHz	100

# Multiple access: OFDMA

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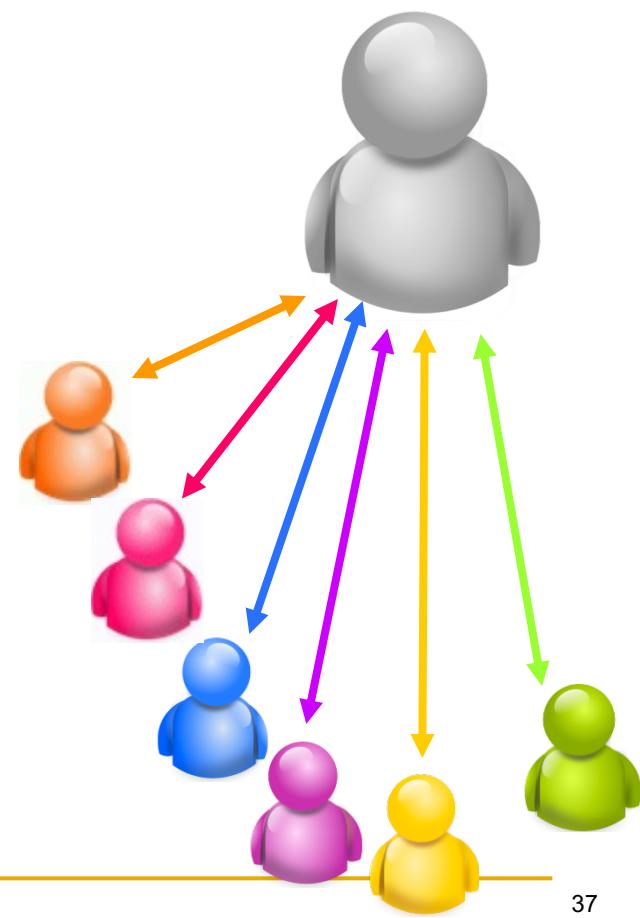
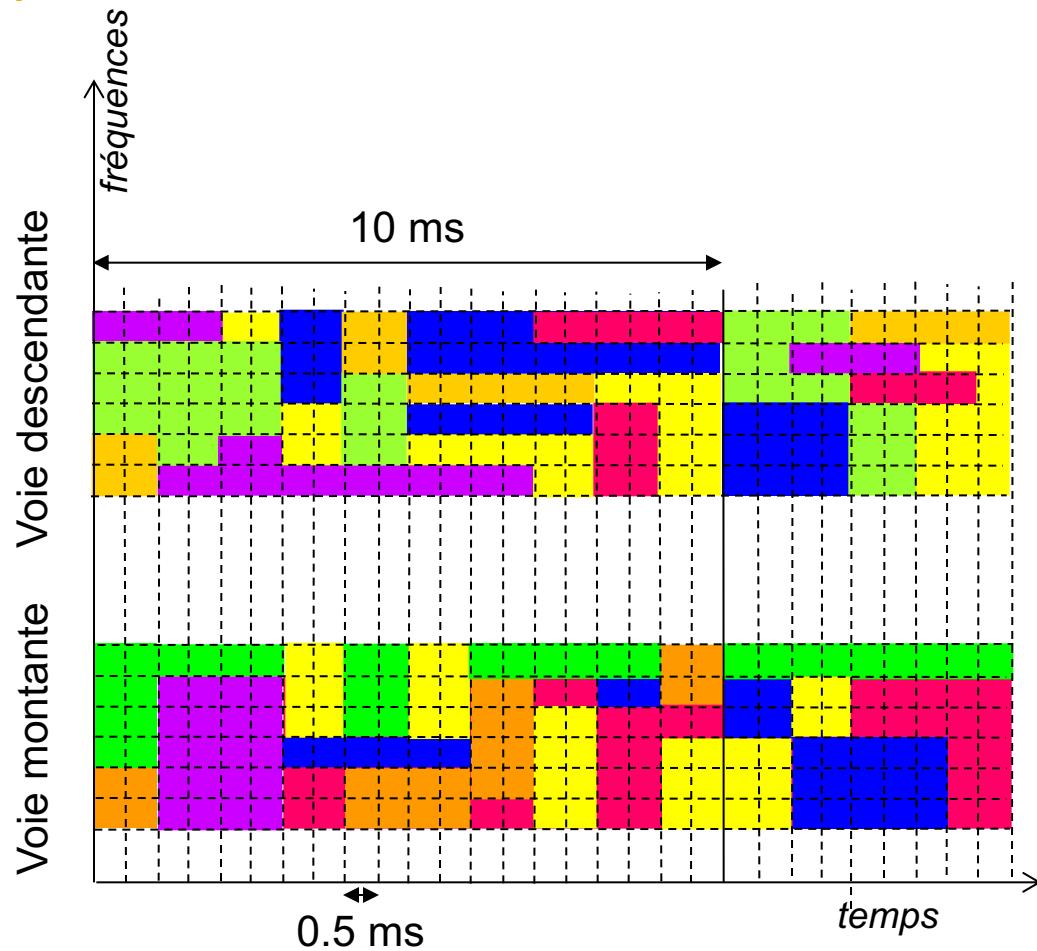
- OFDMA: transmitters use a selection of RBs, that varies dynamically as a function of the cell's load and the users radio channels conditions
  - flexibility
  - frequency diversity
- Adaptation on the uplink: SC-FDMA:
  - mobile users are allocated contiguous RBs for their transmission



# Multiple access: OFDMA

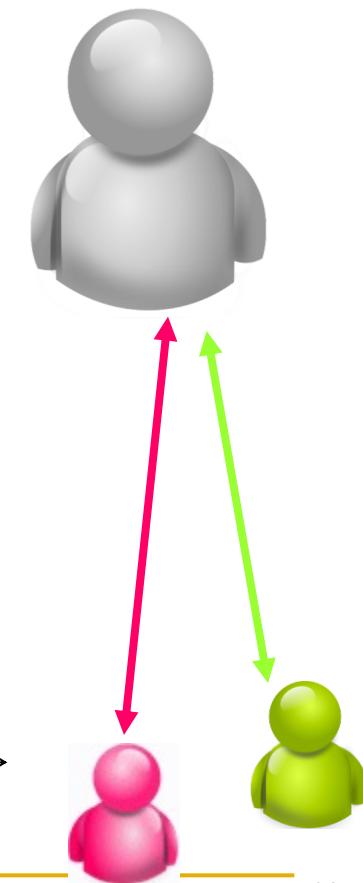
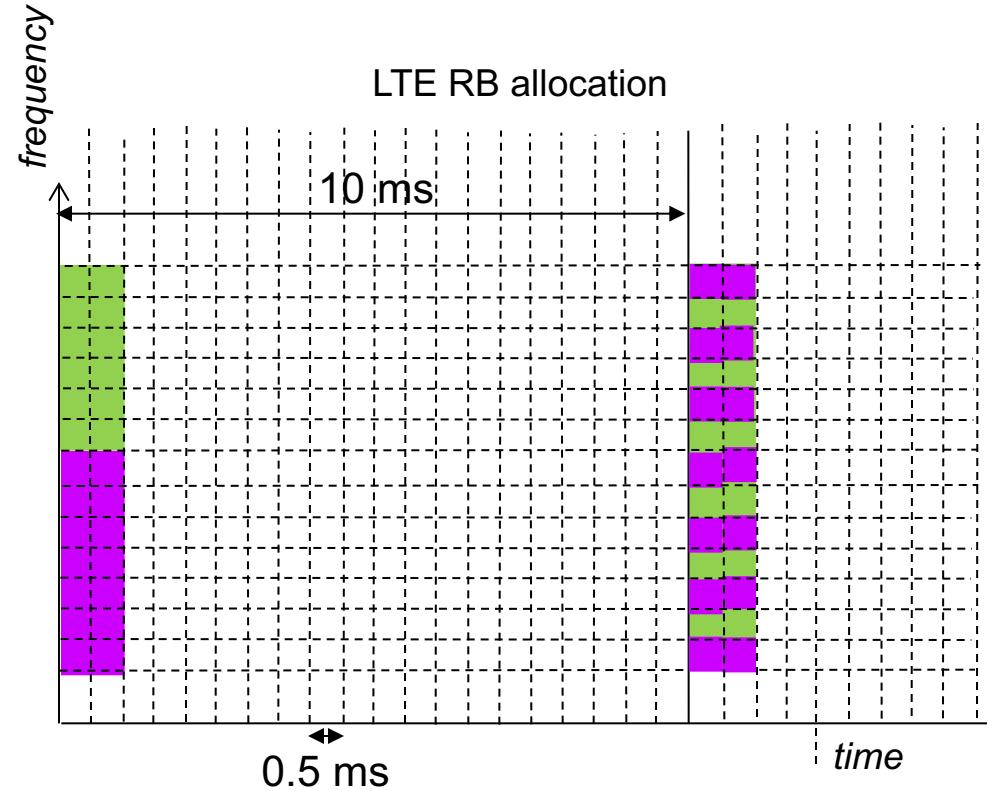
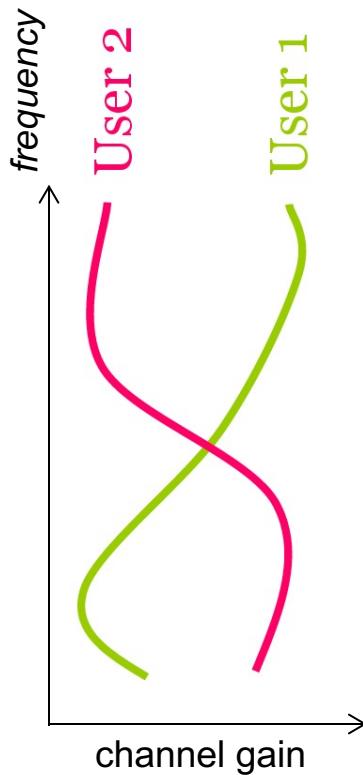
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- RB allocation in FDD mode:



# Channel-Dependent scheduling

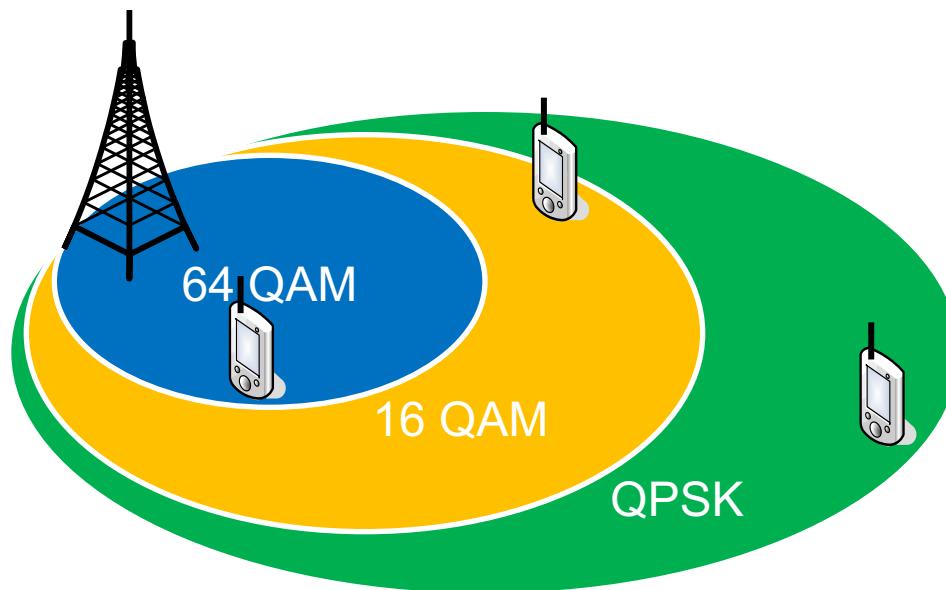
- Assign subcarriers to a user in good radio channel condition, for example:
  - Distributed allocation: Frequency diversity
  - Localized allocation: Frequency selective gain



# Link Adaptation

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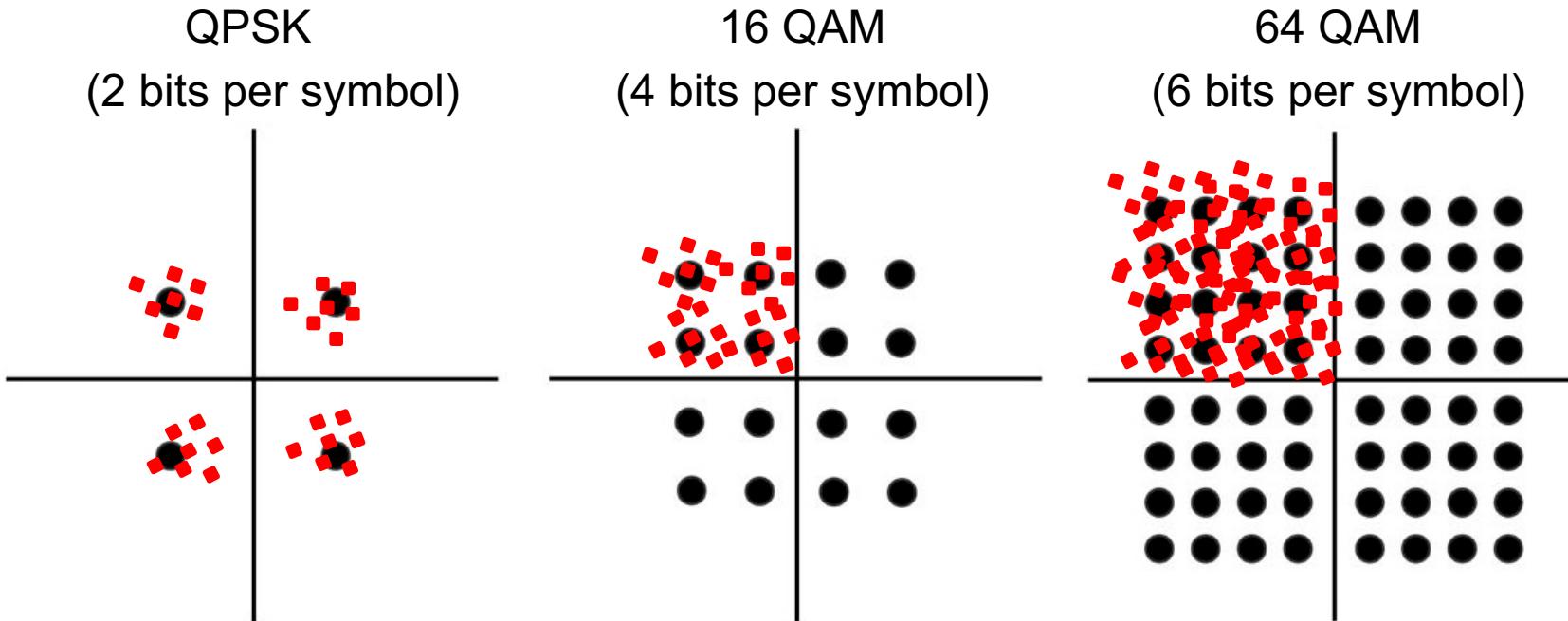
- Available modulations: QPSK, 16 QAM, 64 QAM
  - Available coding schemes: 1/2, 2/3, 3/4
- 
- ↓: 300 Mbps (20 MHz, 4x4 MIMO, 64-QAM)
  - ↑: 75 Mbps (20 MHz, no MIMO, 64-QAM)



# Link Adaptation

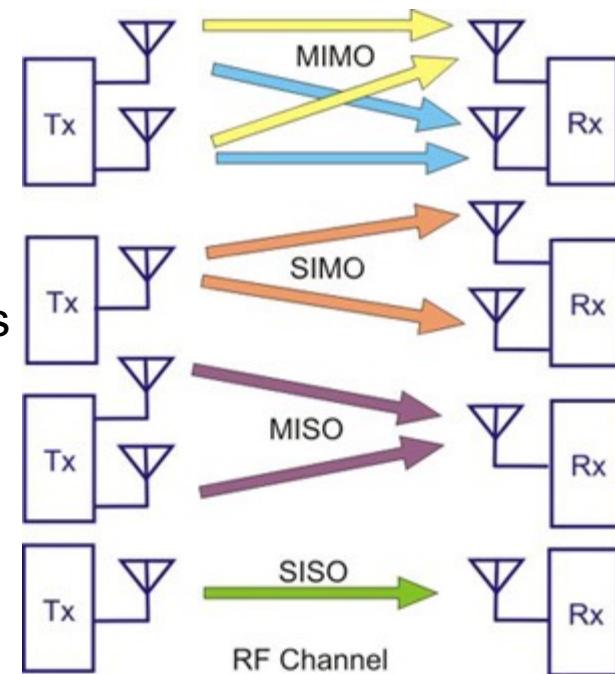
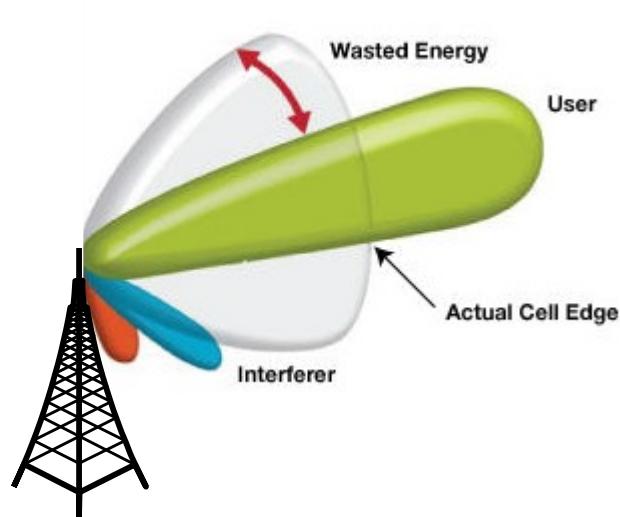
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- Determination of the spectral efficiency and requested minimum SINR for each LTE Modulation and Coding Scheme



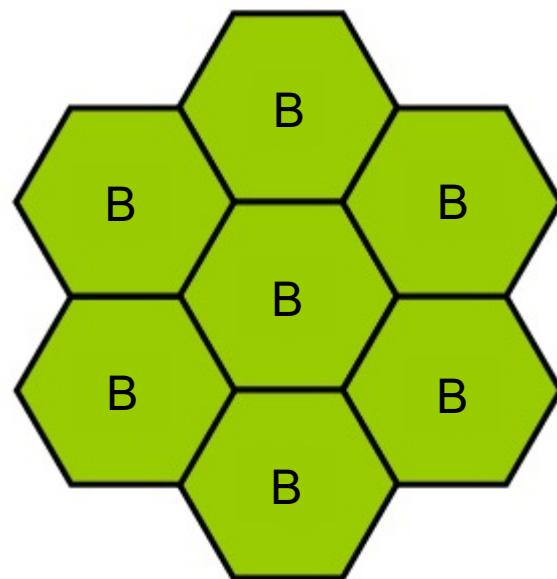
# MIMO

- MIMO technique is used for:
  - Users multiplexing by use of multiple transmit antennas and/or
  - Individual user throughput increase / robustness by spatial transmit diversity and / or
  - Coverage by beamforming

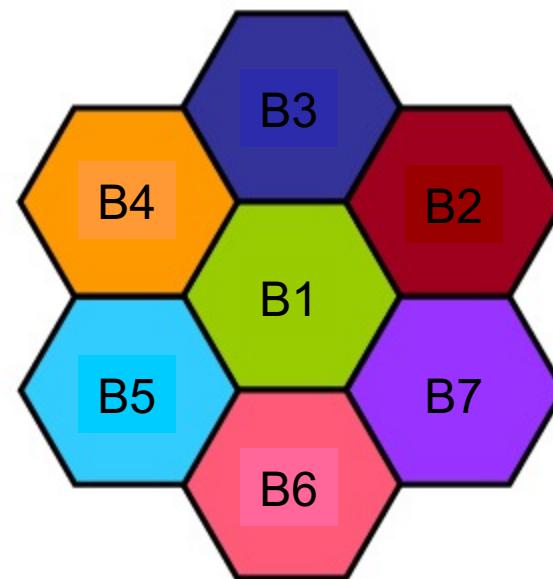


# Frequency reuse

- frequency reuse



frequency reuse = 1

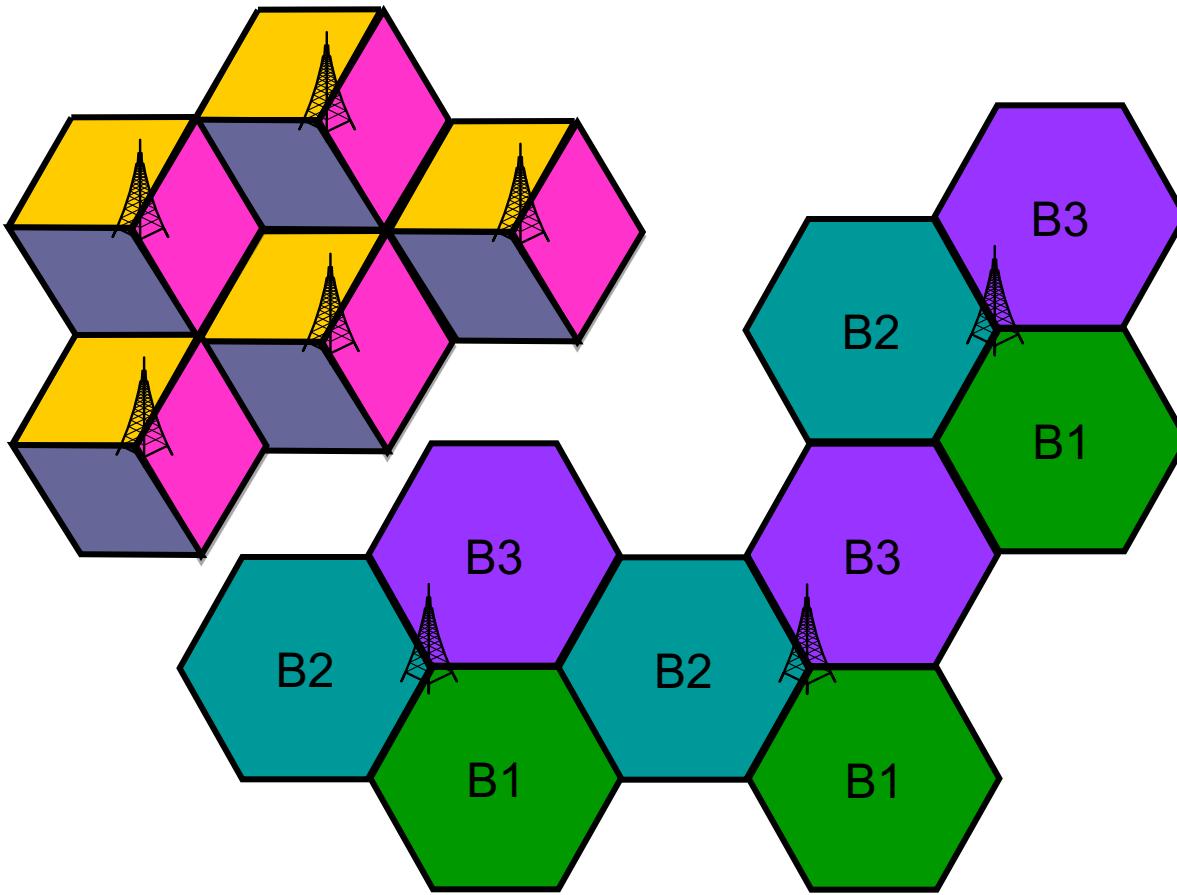


frequency reuse = 7

- Balance : spectral efficiency vs cell-edge users SINR

# Ex. of usually adopted frequency reuse

frequency reuse = 3 with sectorized cells



# Radio Dimensioning and Planning

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- Exercice on LTE radio dimensionning and cell capacity

Characteristic	unit	Uplink	Downlink
EIRP	dBm W	21 0.125	47 50
Rec. Thres. QPSK	dBm W	-126.5 $2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$	-106.5 $2.2 \cdot 10^{-14}$
PL QPSK	dB	$147.5 \Rightarrow 144.5$	$153.5 \Rightarrow 150.5$
Rec. Thres. 16QAM	dBm W	-120 $10^{-15}$	-100 $10^{-13}$
PL 16QAM	dB	$141 \Rightarrow 138$	$147 \Rightarrow 144$
Rec. Thres. 64QAM	dBm W	-113 $5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	-93 $5 \cdot 10^{-13}$
PL 64QAM	dB	$134 \Rightarrow 131$	$140 \Rightarrow 137$

# Radio Dimensioning and Planning 2/

- Considered propagation model: COST 231 extension to Hata's model
  - in dense urban area
  - for 30 m high base stations

$$L_{dB}(d) = 28.8 + 33.9 \times \log_{10}(f) + 35.22 \times \log_{10}(d)$$

- This general formula results in:
  - with  $f = 2.6$  GHz :  $L_{dB}(d) = 144.7 + 35.22 \times \log_{10}(d)$
  - with  $f = 1.8$  GHz :  $L_{dB}(d) = 139.2 + 35.22 \times \log_{10}(d)$
  - with  $f = 800$  MHz :  $L_{dB}(d) = 127.3 + 35.22 \times \log_{10}(d)$
  - with  $f = 700$  MHz :  $L_{dB}(d) = 125.3 + 35.22 \times \log_{10}(d)$

# Radio Dimensioning and Planning

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- Max. Tx/Rx distance when no traffic is considered:

Characteristic	unit	$f = 700 \text{ MHz}$	$f = 800 \text{ MHz}$	$f = 1.8 \text{ GHz}$	$f = 2.6 \text{ GHz}$
$\text{PL}_{\text{QPSK}}$	dB			144.5	
$d_{\max}$	m	3500	3100	1400	990
$\text{PL}_{\text{16QAM}}$	dB			138	
$d_{\max}$	m	2300	2000	920	650
$\text{PL}_{\text{64QAM}}$	dB			131	
$d_{\max}$	m	1450	1300	585	410

# Radio Dimensioning and Planning

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- 25 active MS,  $f = 2.6 \text{ GHz}$

- Uplink:  
1 RB per MS
- Downlink:  
1 RB per MS

Characteristic	unit	Uplink	Downlink	$d_{\max} (\text{m})$
EIRP	dBm W	21 0.125	33 2	
Rec. Thres. QPSK	dBm W	-126.5 $2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$	-106.5 $2.2 \cdot 10^{-14}$	585 m
PL QPSK	dB	144.5	$139.5 \Rightarrow 136.5$	
Rec. Thres. 16QAM	dBm W	-120 $10^{-15}$	-100 $10^{-13}$	
PL 16QAM	dB	138	$133 \Rightarrow 130$	380 m
Rec. Thres. 64QAM	dBm W	-113 $5 \cdot 10^{-15}$	-93 $5 \cdot 10^{-13}$	
PL 64QAM	dB	131	$126 \Rightarrow 123$	240 m

# Radio Dimensioning and Planning

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- 5 active MS,  $f = 2.6$  GHz

- Uplink:  
5 RB per MS
- Downlink:  
25 active RB

Characteristic	unit	Uplink	Downlink	$d_{\max}$ (m)
EIRP	dBm W	14 0.025	33 2	
Rec. Thres. QPSK	dBm W	-126.5 $2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$	-106.5 $2.2 \cdot 10^{-14}$	585 m
PL QPSK	dB	$140.5 \Rightarrow 137.5$	136.5	
Rec. Thres. 16QAM	dBm W	-120 $10^{-15}$	-100 $10^{-13}$	
PL 16QAM	dB	$134 \Rightarrow 131$	130	380 m
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# Mobility

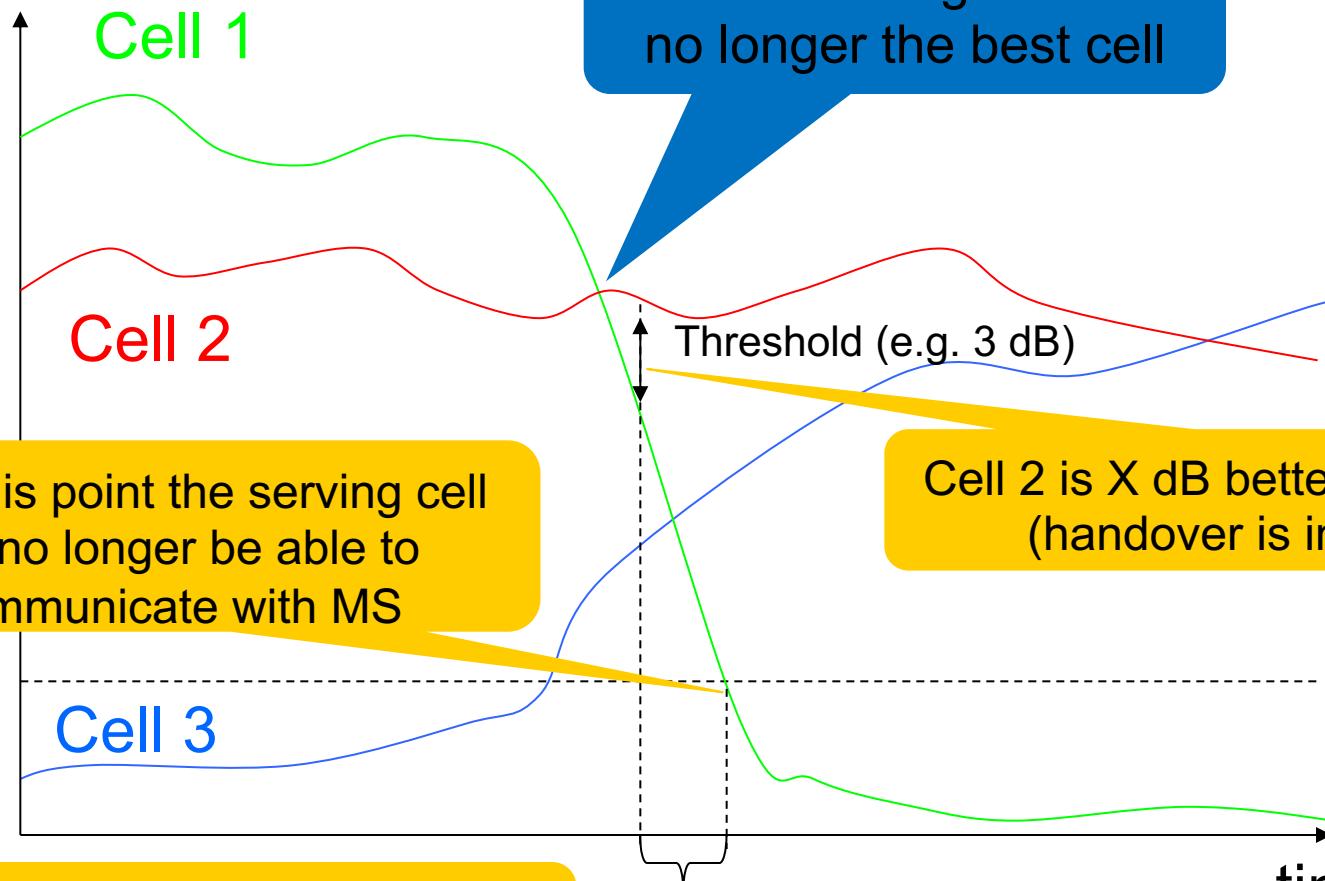
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- Services today do not have strong requirements for interruption during HO:
  - Voice works with < 200 ms
  - TCP/IP should probably cope with 100 ms interruption as long as there are not packet losses
  - Play out buffers for streaming would probably be much larger than 200 ms
- Requirements for future services are unknown
- No soft HO
- Potential frequency reuse equal to 1

# Mobility

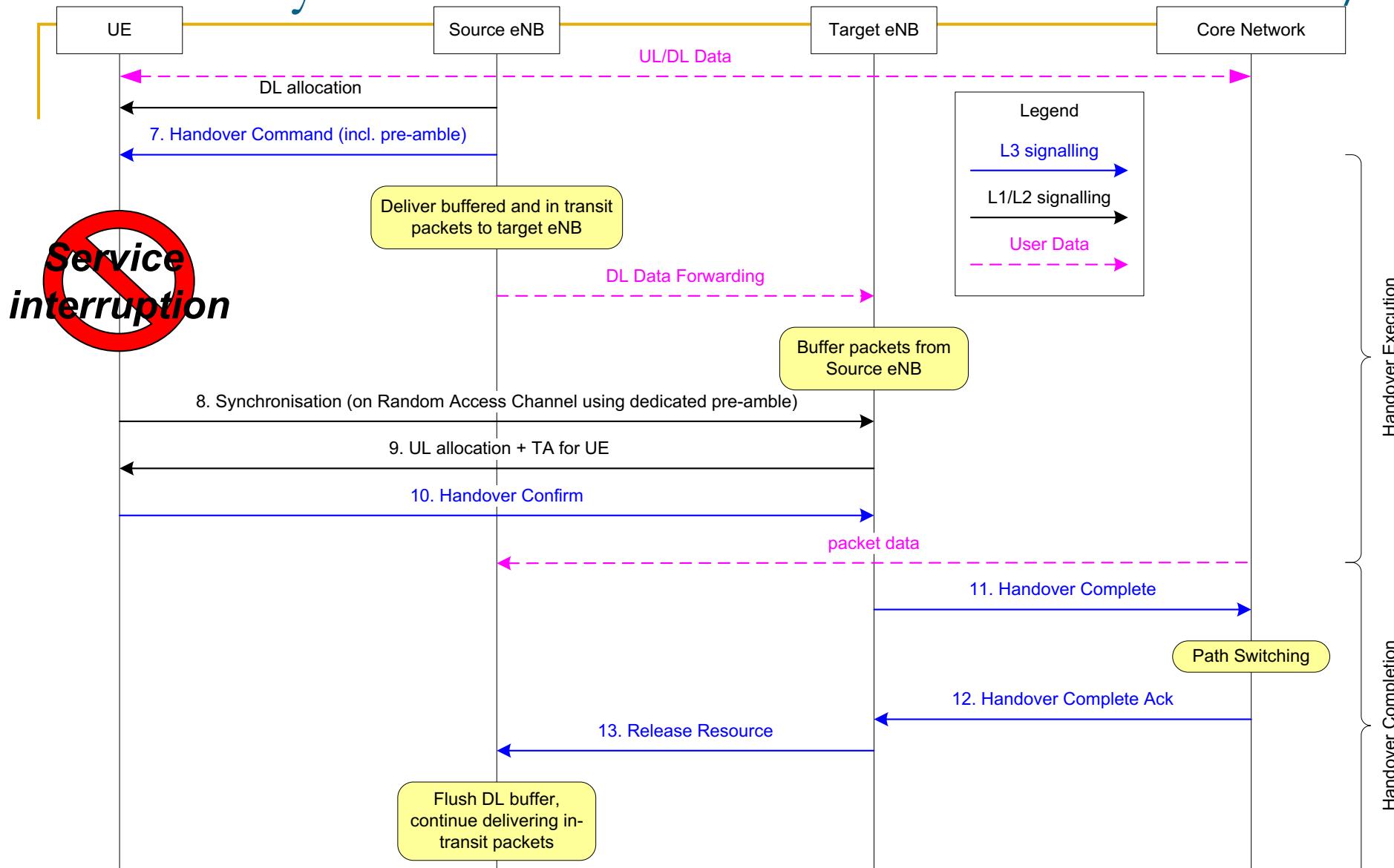
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power



Mobility procedure need to finish in shorter time than this

# Mobility



# Mobility

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- Service interruption is around 20 ms
- In case UE loses contact with source cell it will select a new cell and send a recovery request message (including UE identity and “shared secret”)
- In case the serving eNB loses contact with the UE, it can prepare neighbor eNBs about the potential arrival of the UE

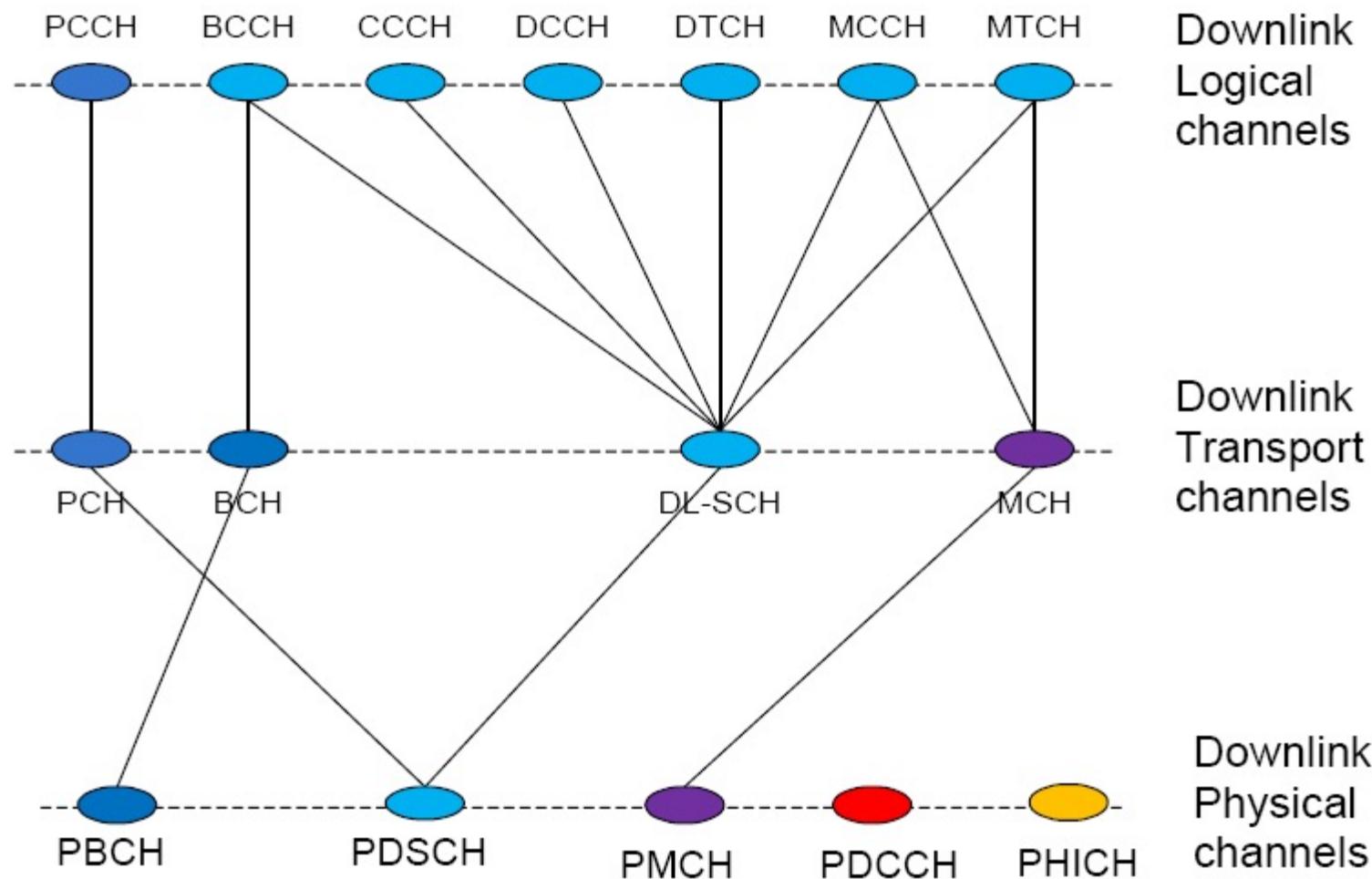
# LTE logical/trans/phys channels

- The physical, logical and transport channels all link to different areas of the stack. By organising them in this way, the LTE system is able to route the data to the required area.
- Physical channels:** These are transmission channels that carry user data and control messages.
- Logical channels:** Provide services for the Medium Access Control (MAC) layer within the LTE protocol structure.
- Transport channels:** The physical layer transport channels offer information transfer to Medium Access Control (MAC) and higher layers.

# LTE logical/trans/phys channels

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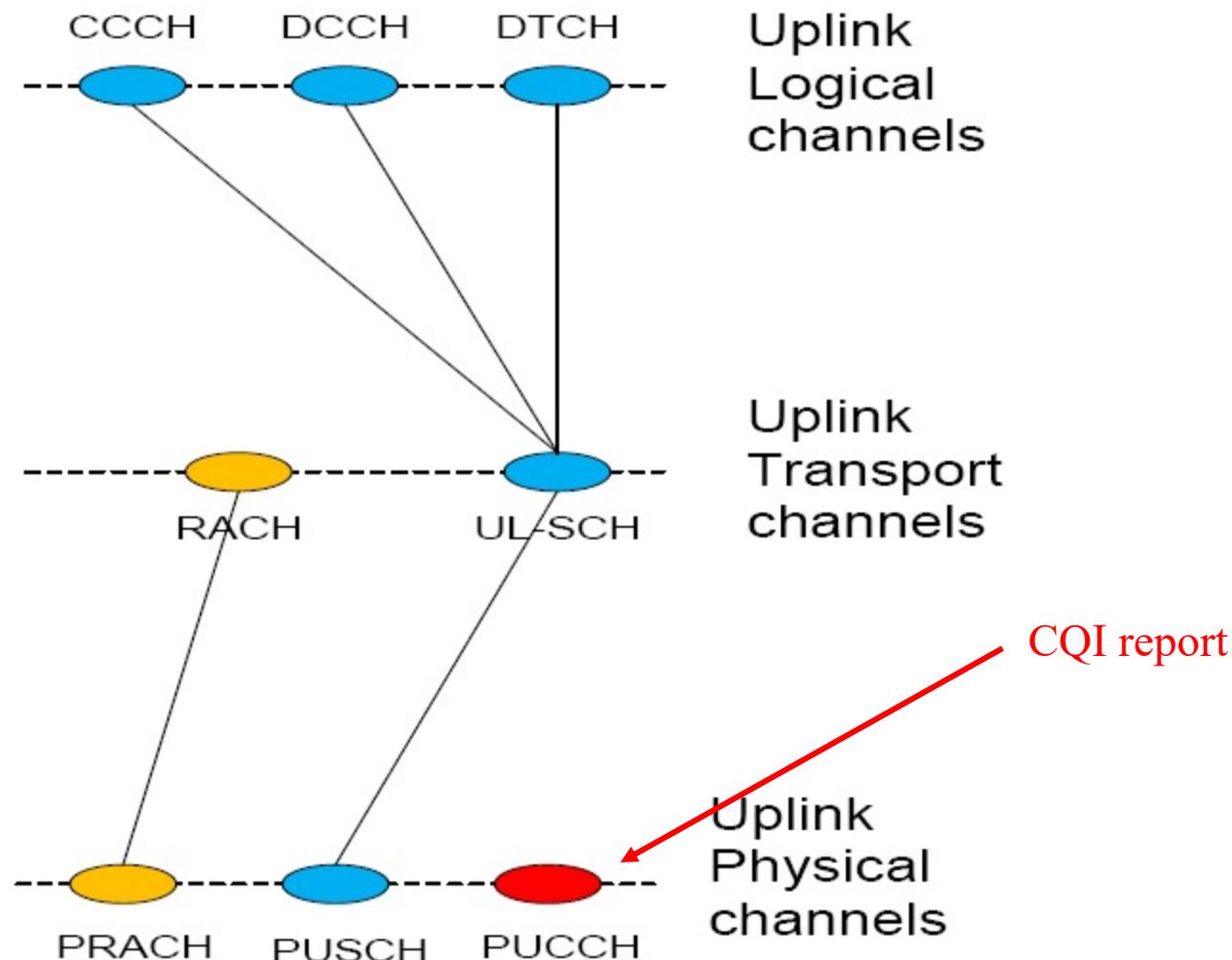
## ■ Downlink:



# LTE logical/trans/phys channels

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## ■ Uplink:



# LTE Downlink Logical Channels

## Paging Control Channel (PCCH)

- A downlink channel that transfers paging information and system information change notifications.
- This channel is used for paging when the network does not know the location cell of the UE.

## Broadcast Control Channel (BCCH)

- A downlink channel for broadcasting system control information.

## Common Control Channel (CCCH)

- Channel for transmitting control information between UEs and network.
- This channel is used for UEs having no RRC connection with the network.

# LTE Downlink Logical Channels

## Dedicated Control Channel (DCCH)

- A point-to-point bi-directional channel that transmits dedicated control information between a UE and the network.
- Used by UEs having an RRC connection.

## Dedicated Traffic Channel (DTCH)

- A point-to-point channel, dedicated to one UE, for the transfer of user information.
- A DTCH can exist in both uplink and downlink.

## Multicast Control Channel (MCCH)

- A point-to-multipoint downlink channel used for transmitting MBMS control information from the network to the UE, for one or several MTCHs.
- This channel is only used by UEs that receive MBMS.

## Multicast Traffic Channel (MTCH)

- A point-to-multipoint downlink channel for transmitting traffic data from the network to the UE.
- This channel is only used by UEs that receive MBMS.

# LTE Downlink Transport Channel

## Paging Channel (PCH)

- Supports UE discontinuous reception (DRX) to enable UE power saving
- Broadcasts in the entire coverage area of the cell;
- Mapped to physical resources which can be used dynamically also for traffic/other control channels.

## Broadcast Channel (BCH)

- Fixed, pre-defined transport format
- Broadcast in the entire coverage area of the cell

## Multicast Channel (MCH)

- Broadcasts in the entire coverage area of the cell;
- Supports MBSFN combining of MBMS transmission on multiple cells;
- Supports semi-static resource allocation e.g. with a time frame of a long cyclic prefix.

# LTE Downlink Transport Channel

## Downlink Shared Channel (DL-SCH)

- Supports Hybrid ARQ
- Supports dynamic link adaptation by varying the modulation, coding and transmit power
- Optionally supports broadcast in the entire cell;
- Optionally supports beam forming
- Supports both dynamic and semi-static resource allocation
- Supports UE discontinuous reception (DRX) to enable UE power saving
- Supports MBMS transmission

# LTE Downlink Physical Channels

## Physical Downlink Shared Channel (PDSCH)

- Carries the DL-SCH and PCH
- QPSK, 16-QAM, and 64-QAM Modulation

## Physical Downlink Control Channel (PDCCH)

- Informs the UE about the resource allocation of PCH and DL-SCH, and Hybrid ARQ information related to DL-SCH
- Carries the uplink scheduling grant
- QPSK Modulation

## Physical Hybrid ARQ Indicator Channel (PHICH)

- Carries Hybrid ARQ ACK/NAKs in response to uplink transmissions.
- QPSK Modulation

# LTE Downlink Physical Channels

## Physical Broadcast Channel (PBCH)

- The coded BCH transport block is mapped to four sub-frames within a 40 ms interval. 40 ms timing is blindly detected, i.e. there is no explicit signalling indicating 40 ms timing
- Each sub-frame is assumed to be self-decodable, i.e. the BCH can be decoded from a single reception, assuming sufficiently good channel conditions.
- QPSK Modulation

## Physical Multicast Channel (PMCH)

- Carries the MCH
- QPSK, 16-QAM, and 64-QAM Modulation

# LTE Uplink Logical Channels

## Common Control Channel (CCCH)

- Channel for transmitting control information between UEs and network.
- This channel is used for UEs having no RRC connection with the network.

## Dedicated Control Channel (DCCH)

- A point-to-point bi-directional channel that transmits dedicated control information between a UE and the network.
- Used by UEs having an RRC connection.

## Dedicated Traffic Channel (DTCH)

- A point-to-point channel, dedicated to one UE, for the transfer of user information.
- A DTCH can exist in both uplink and downlink.

# LTE Uplink Transport Channel

## Random Access Channel (RACH)

- Channel carries minimal information
- Transmissions on the channel may be lost due to collisions

## Uplink Shared Channel (UL-SCH)

- Optional support for beam forming
- Supports dynamic link adaptation by varying the transmit power and potentially modulation and coding
- Supports Hybrid ARQ
- Supports dynamic and semi-static resource allocation

# LTE Uplink Physical Channels

## Physical Radio Access Channel (PRACH)

- Carries the random access preamble
- The random access preambles are generated from Zadoff-Chu sequences with zero correlation zone, generated from one or several root Zadoff-Chu sequences.

## Physical Uplink Shared Channel (PUSCH)

- Carries the UL-SCH
- QPSK, 16-QAM, and 64-QAM Modulation

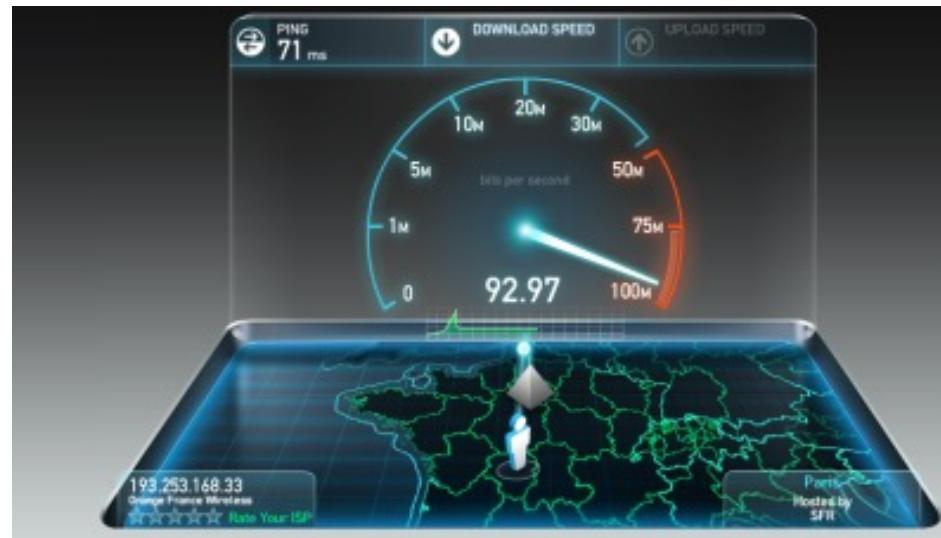
## Packet Uplink Control Channel (PUCCH)

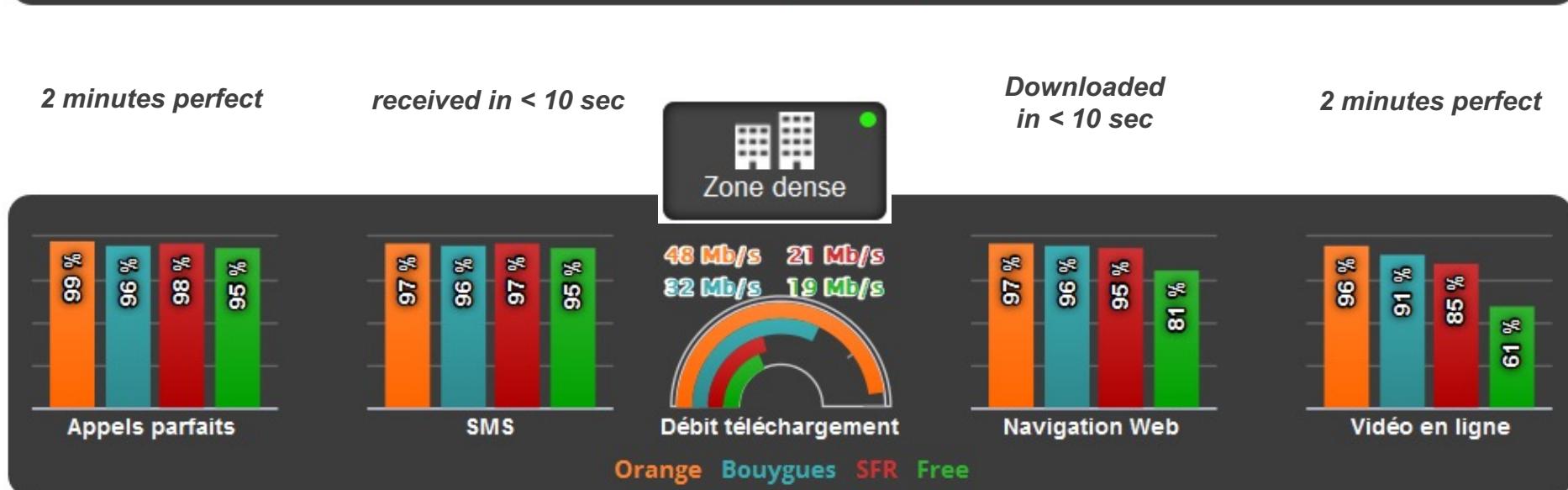
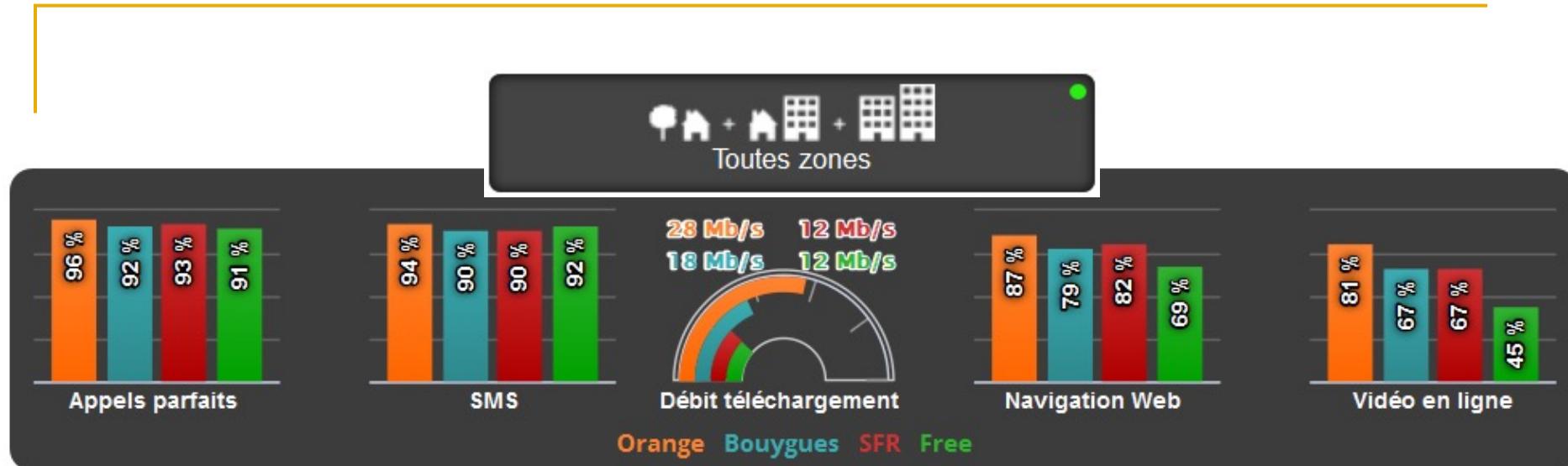
- Carries Hybrid ARQ ACK/NAKs in response to downlink transmission
- Carries Scheduling Request (SR)
- Carries CQI reports
- BPSK and QPSK Modulation

# LTE – Conclusion

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- Efficient technology
- Low loaded networks (for the moment!)
- New services
  
- In France, Free mobile emergence
  1. subscriptions fees 3G ↓ ⇒ accelerated 4G networks roll-out for technology differentiation
  2. subscriptions fees 4G = subscriptions fees 3G ⇒ VAS, commodotization?

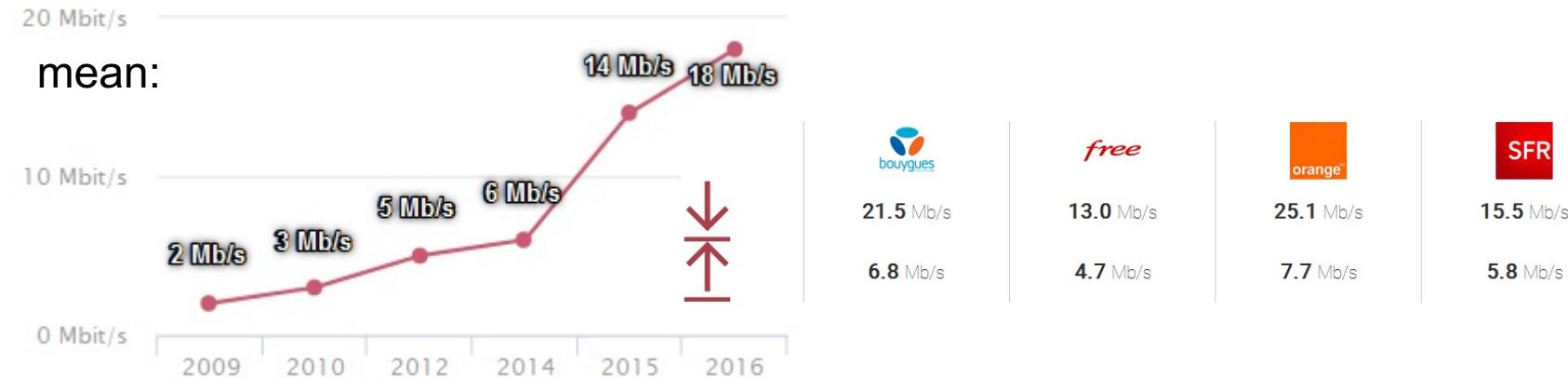




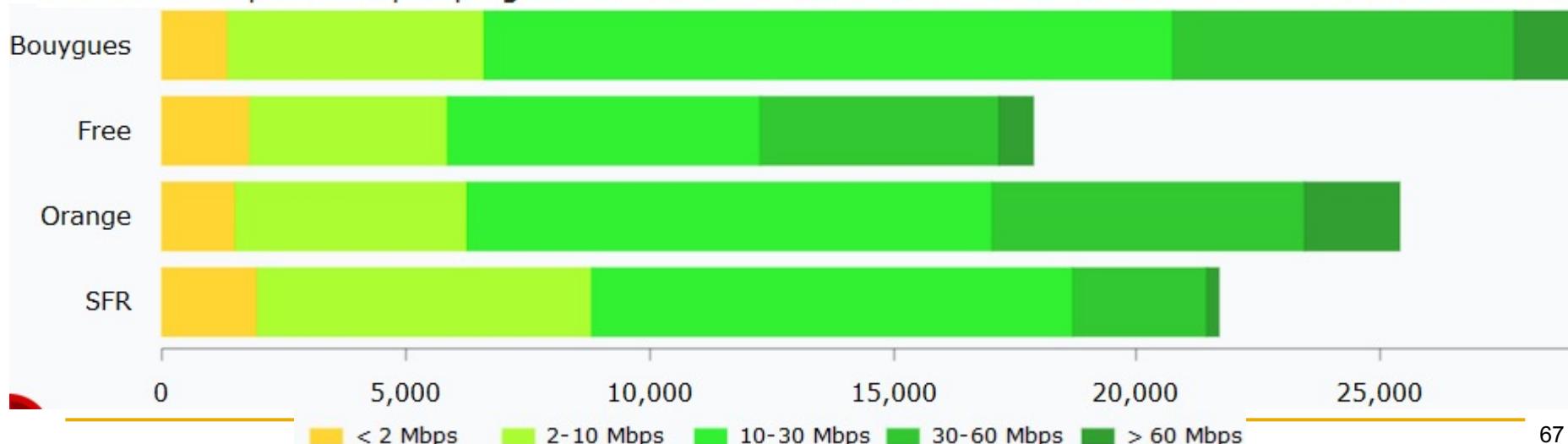
# LTE – Conclusion

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- Monitored throughputs with a 4G terminal:



Nombre et répartition par plages de débits des zones d'1km<sup>2</sup> où la 4G a été détectée via 4Gmark.



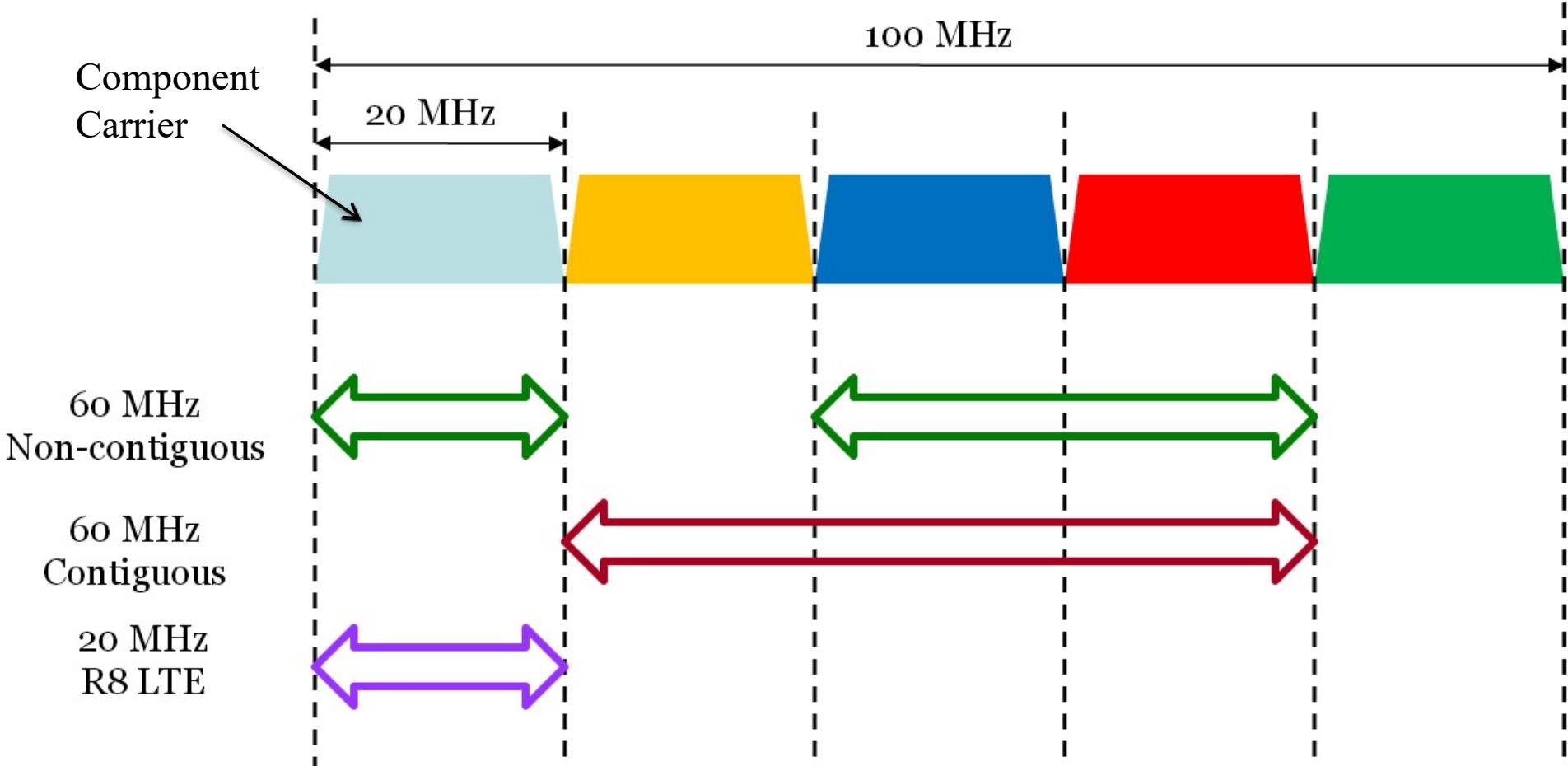
# LTE - Advanced

- Maximum throughputs with LTE: 300 Mbits/s ↓, 150 Mbits/s ↑
- In 2008, UTI specified constraints for a « 4G » standard (« IMT-advanced ») :
  - Throughput ↓ and ↑ from 100 Mbits/s to 1 Gbits/s! ⇒ LTE : '3.9 G'
- Goals :
  - Specification of a new standard, fulfilling « 4G » requirements
  - LTE evolutions:
    - improve existing networks and ensuring compatibility between LTE and LTE-Advanced equipments
    - extend bandwidth to 100 MHz, by « carrier aggregation »
    - introduce relays
  - Release 10 finalised mid-2011: LTE-Advanced
    - R11 in 2013, R12 in 2014



# Carrier Aggregation

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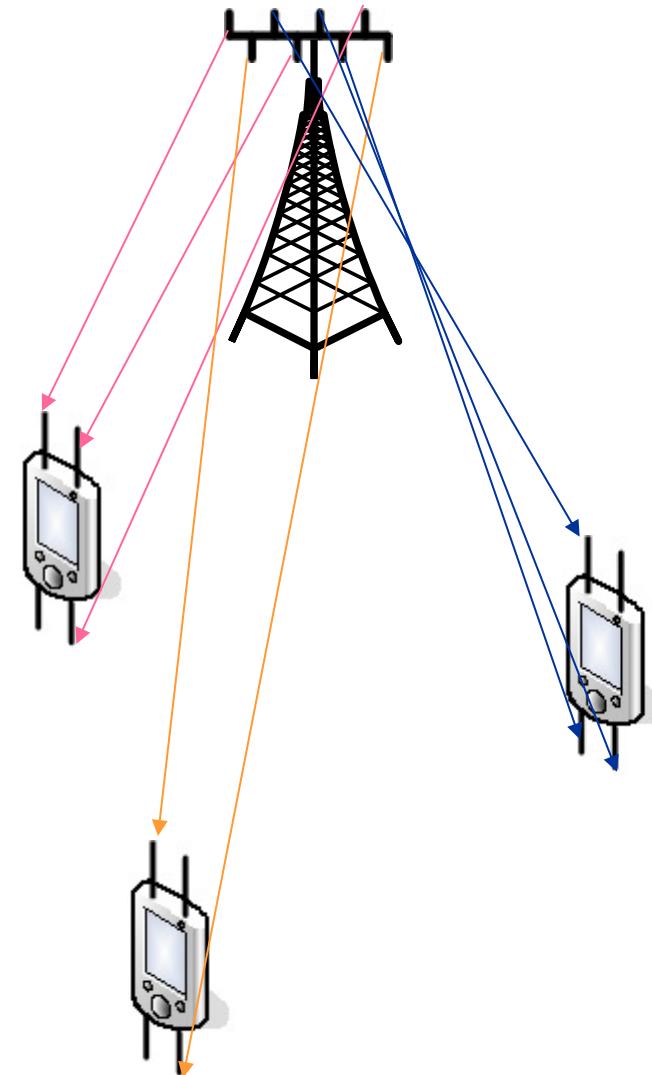
# Carrier Aggregation

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- Spectrum aggregation scenarios:
  - Intra-band adjacent
  - Intra-band non adjacent
  - Inter-band
- Asymmetric bandwidth for FDD
  - Number of DL Component Carriers > Number of UL Component Carriers

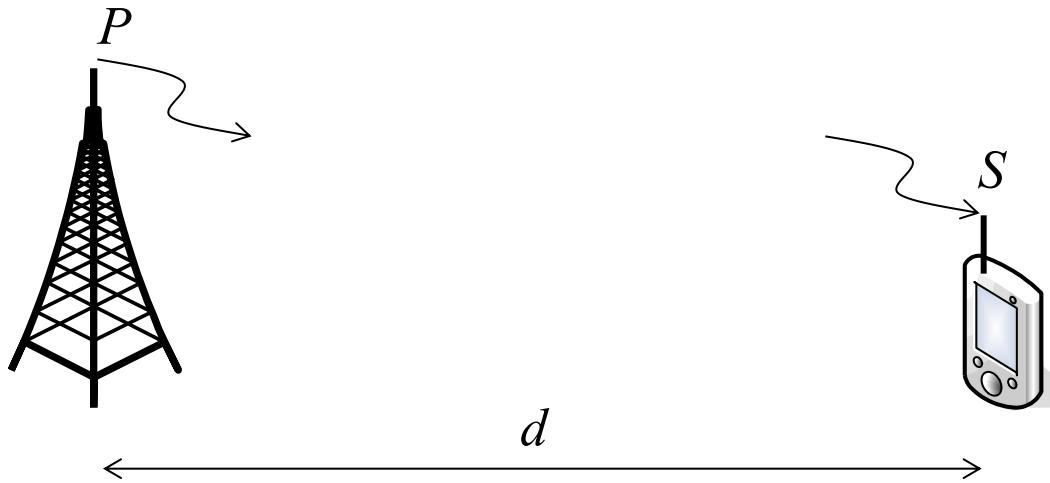
# Enhanced MIMO

- Downlink MIMO
  - Up to 8x8 configuration
  - Support for MU-MIMO
  - Enhancements to CSI feedback
- Uplink MIMO
  - Introduction of UL transmit diversity
  - Introduction of up to 4x4 SU-MIMO

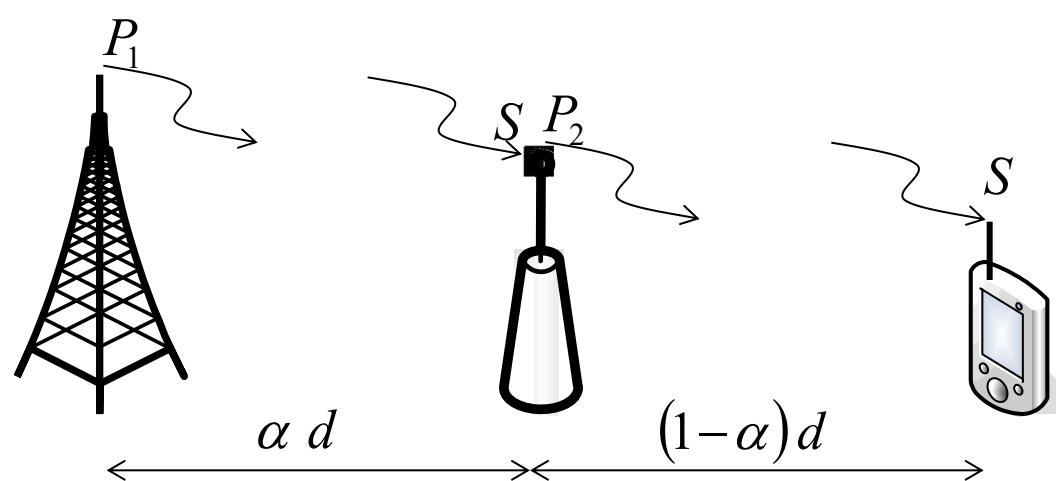


# Relying Issue

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$$S \propto \frac{P}{d^\gamma}$$



Objective:

$$P_1 + P_2 < P$$

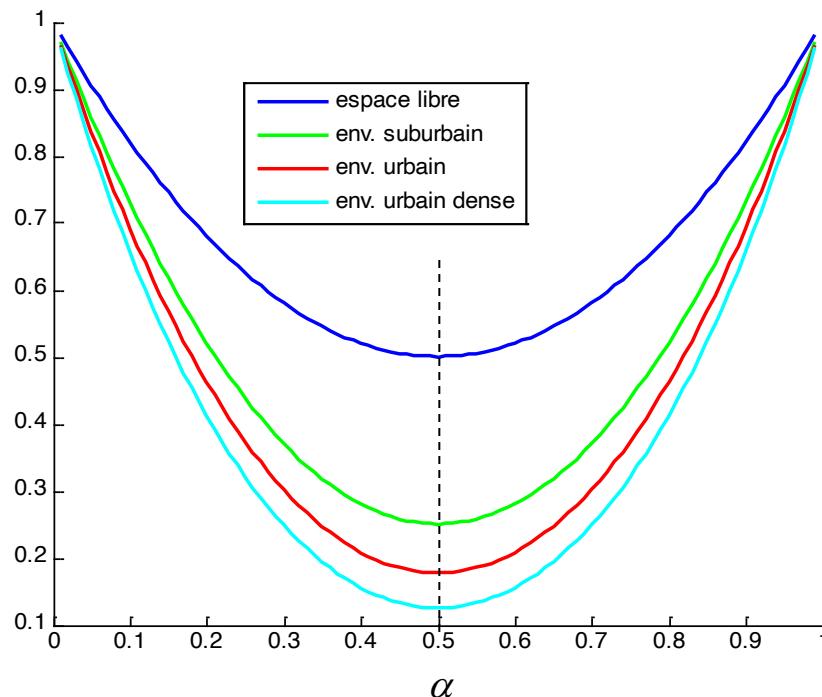
$$S \propto \frac{P_1}{(\alpha d)^\gamma} = \frac{P_2}{((1-\alpha)d)^\gamma}$$

# Relying Issue

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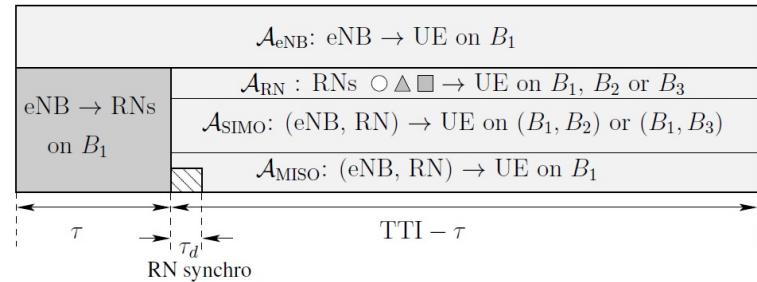
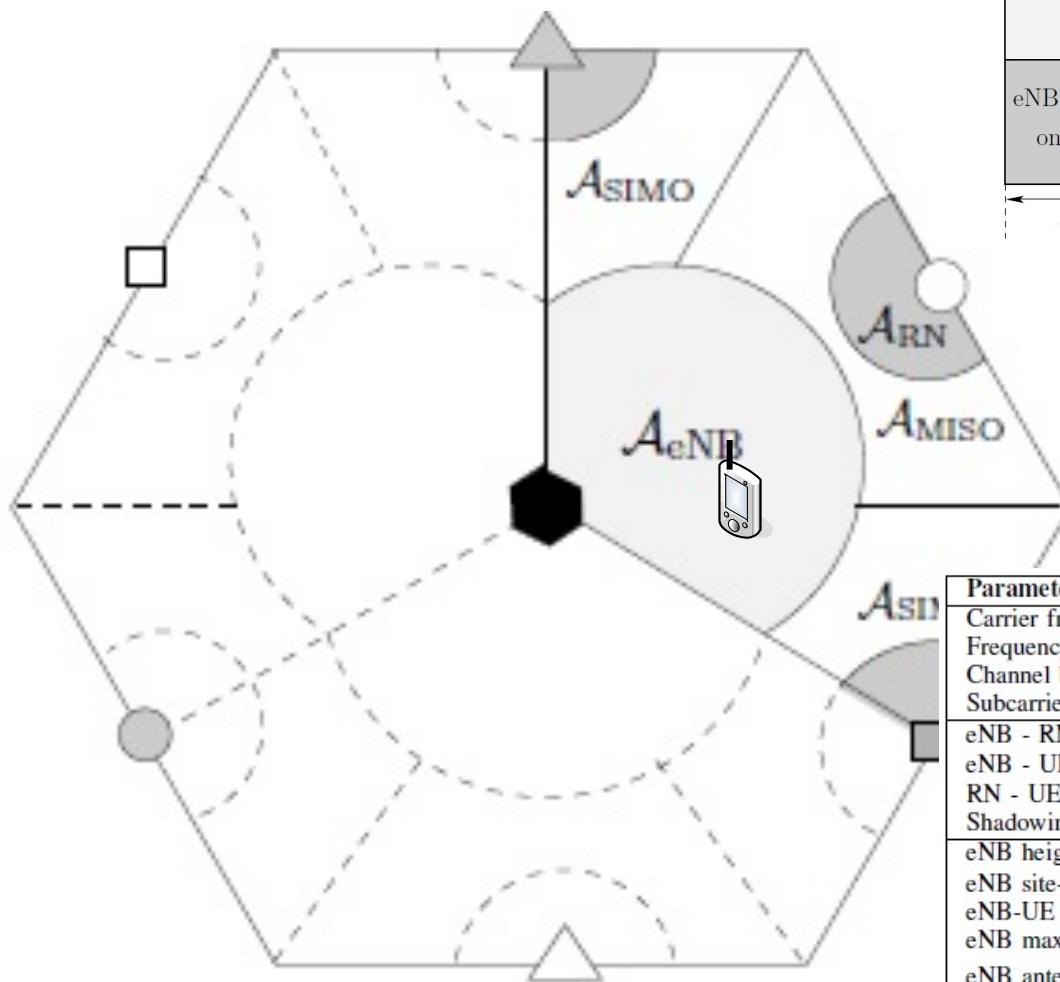
$$P_1 + P_2 < P \Rightarrow \alpha^\gamma + (1-\alpha)^\gamma < 1$$

- Conclusion, where relays and MS have the same sensitivity:
  - Relay must be situated at the middle of the eNB-MS distance
  - Relaying is more benefic in dense environnements
  - Network capacity is divided by 2 with an half-duplex relay



# One Relaying strategy...

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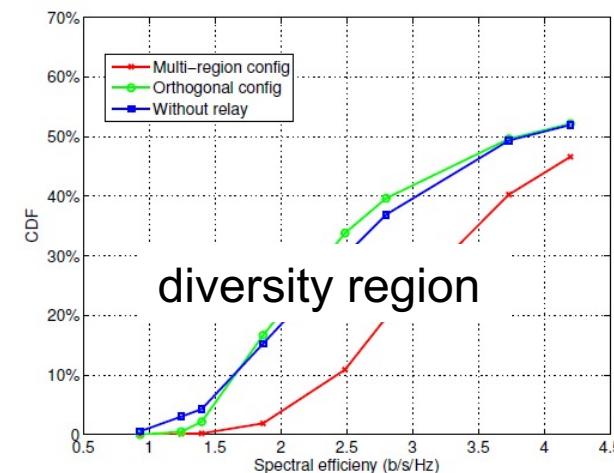
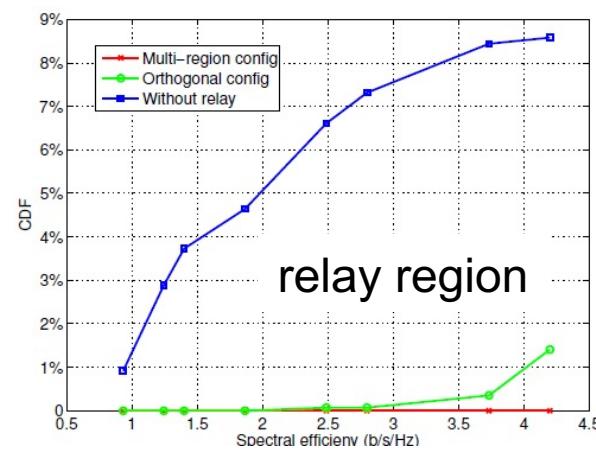
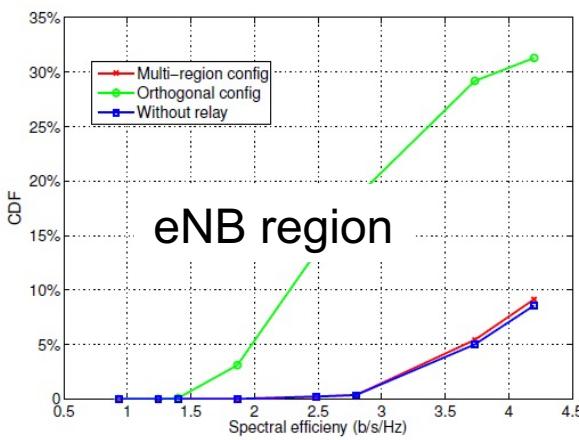
Parameter	Value
Carrier frequency	2.6 GHz
Frequency reuse pattern	$1 \times 3 \times 1$
Channel bandwidth	10 MHz
Subcarrier bandwidth	$B = 15 \text{ KHz}$
eNB - RN propagation (LOS)	$\alpha = 10^{-10.2}, \gamma = 2.2$
eNB - UE propagation (NLOS)	$\alpha = 10^{-13.9}, \gamma = 3.9$
RN - UE Propagation (NLOS)	$\alpha = 10^{-14.3}, \gamma = 3.95$
Shadowing deviation	$\sigma_s = 6 \text{ dB}$
eNB height	25 m (above rooftop)
eNB site-to-site distance	$d = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ km}$
eNB-UE minimal distance	$d_{\min} = 30 \text{ m}$
eNB max Tx power per sector	46 dBm
eNB antenna pattern (dBi)	$G_{\text{eNB}}(\theta^\circ) = 17 - \min(12 \frac{\theta^2}{70^2}, 20)$
RN height	20 m (above rooftop)
RN-UE minimal distance	$d_{\min} = 30 \text{ m}$
RN max Tx power	36 dBm
RN antenna pattern (dBi)	$G_{\text{RN}} = 7 \text{ (omnidirectional)}$

# One Relaying strategy...

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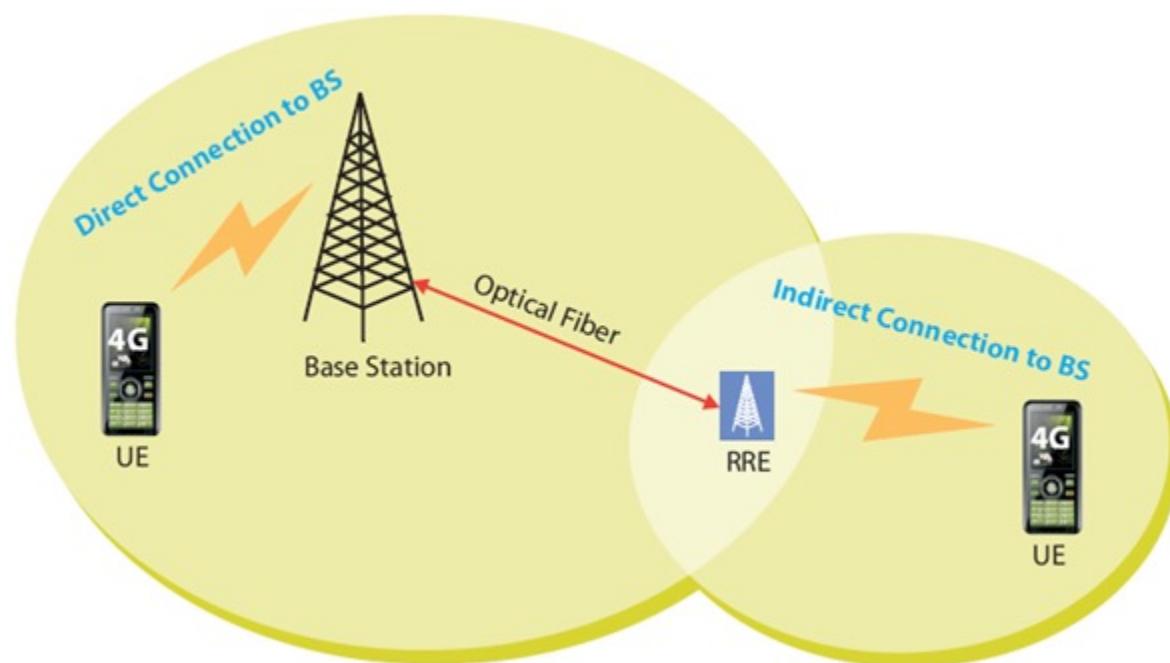
- Conclusion, when eNB-relay LOS propagation is considered:
  - Spectral efficiency ↑
  - Average cell capacity ↑
  - Transmit energy dissipation ↓

	No relay	Multi-region
Cell throughput $C$ (Mbps)	24.75	24.96
eNB reg throughput $\bar{C}_{eNB}$ (Mbps)	-	8.53
Energy (Joules)	0.0398	0.0394



# Remote Radio Heads

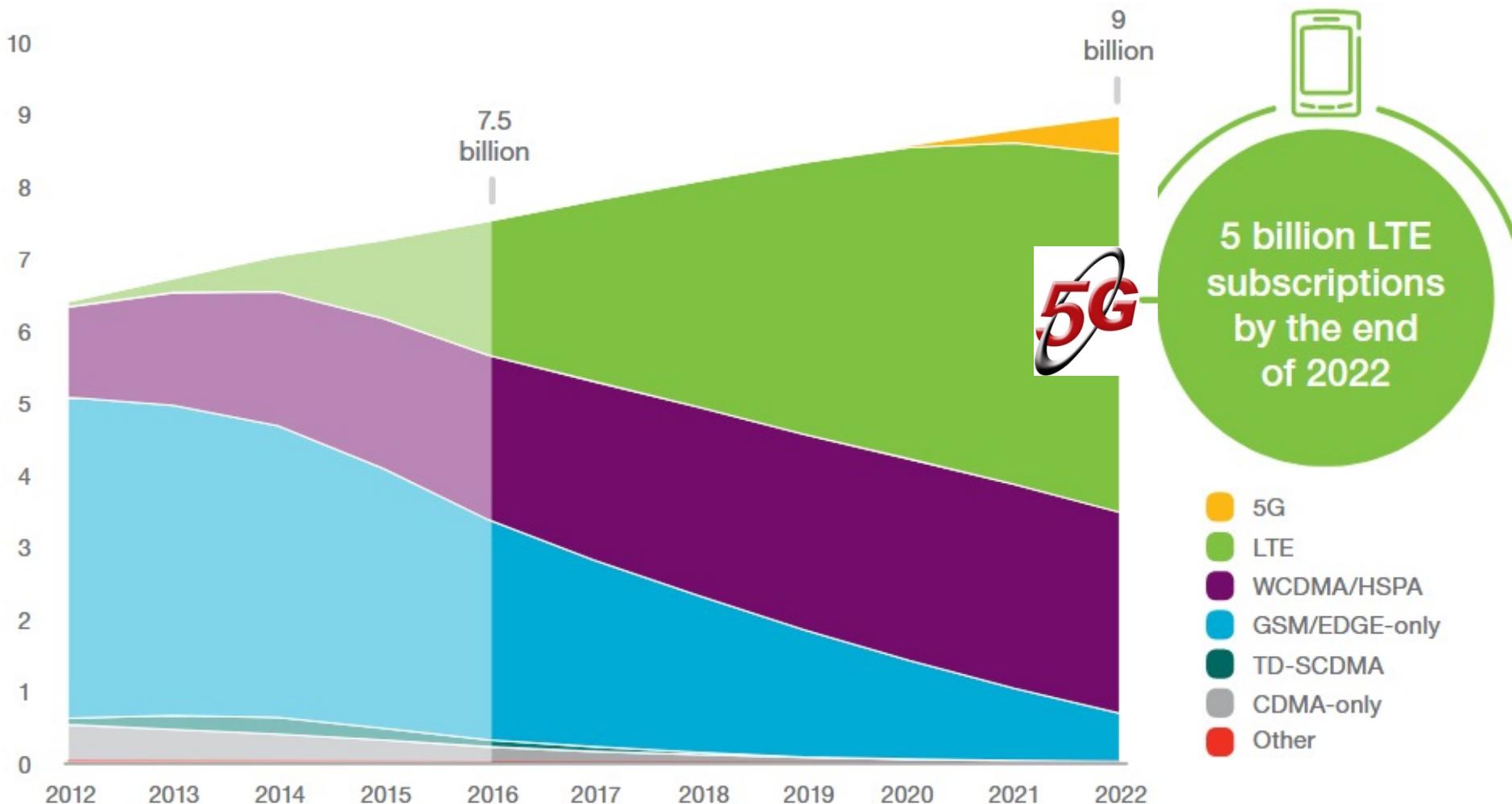
- Enhanced techniques to extend coverage area using optical fiber should be used as effective technique to extend cell coverage



# General Conclusion

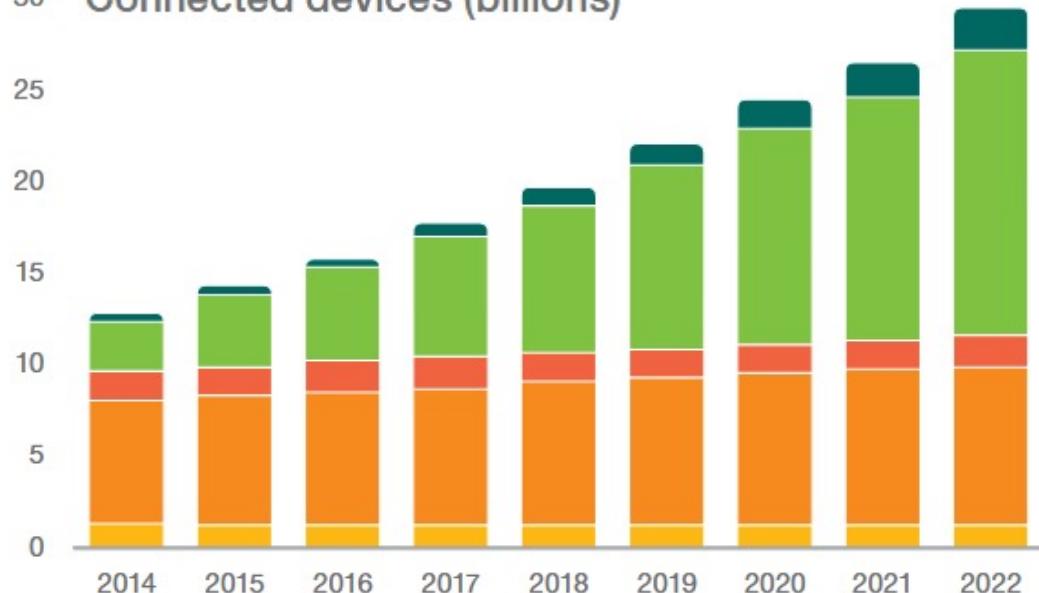
## 8,3 BILLION

mobile subscriptions, including M2M  
(year to year: + 4.7%)



# General Conclusion

30 Connected devices (billions)



	2016	2022
Wide-area IoT	0.4	2.1
Short-range IoT	5.2	15.5
PC/laptop/tablet	1.6	1.7
Mobile phones	7.3	8.6
Fixed phones	1.4	1.3
	16 billion	29 billion

# Potential 5G use cases

