Multicast/Broadcast Technologies for the Mobile Video Market

2 Convegno nazionale sulla Mobile Television

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### Mobile TV 🗲 Normal TV



### Different revenues for Mobile TV



- Subscription and Advertising models are expected to be dominant
- Advertisment can be tailor made per user further provides an attractive advertising channel
- Interactivity provides additional revenues and a clear differentiator
- All combinations and extremes can be visioned
  - Free TV paid by advertising
  - Pure subscription based
  - Combinations

### "La Tentazione": il Mobile Triple Play



## Examples of Converged IPTV – Mobile Remote Control

#### Make the Remote Control truly Remote and Mobile:

- –Watch TV on Mobile (3G) with channels switching while on the go
- -Switch channel on you home-TV (2G/3G) when at home
- –Initiate network- or STB-based PVR recording / timeshifting (2G/3G) at home or while on the go
- -Interactive TV both when Mobil (3G) and at home (2G/3G)



## MobileTV Usage Pattern



... is different from traditional TV viewing



Source: Press release and study results from DVB-H pilot

#### Short sessions, little time spent on individual TV programs

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#### Live-TV-alert

•Ex: SMS alerting **CNN Breaking News** 

#### Live TV

•"Regular TV" program on mobile

#### Push-TV TV-on-demand (event based (download) download) •"Video-on-Demand"

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			- Contraction		
	3G	DVB-H	MediaFLO	ISDB-T	DMB
Standard	Open	Open	Proprietary	Open	Open
Regions	Worldwide	US, Europe parts of Asia	US	Japan	Korea and expanding to other countries
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### Providing Mobile TV in 3G network

The obvious choice for the mobile operator

- Unicast streaming is in service already today
  - TV-like services over the mobile network
  - Content providers are adapting to the small form factor for size and time
  - Unicast does not scale well to many simultaneous users
- Multi/Broadcast Multimedia Services (MBMS)
  - Capacity booster
  - Provides the same content to unlimited number of users via multicast or broadcast
  - Beneficial for a few number of channels that attracts many users
  - Services in the full control of the mobile operator
  - Relatively low available bandwidth per channel

### **DVB-H and IP Datacasting**

The non-cellular alternative

- DVB-H (Handheld) based on DVB-T (Terrestrial)
- Provides enough bandwidth for high quality audio and video broadcast to mobile terminals
- Does not mandate return channel, could be TV receiver without mobile telephone functionality
- DVB-H standardised, IPDC over DVB-H in final stages
- Issues
  - Uncertainties about spectrum availability in several markets
  - Business model, including broadcaster and mobile operator Existing terrestrial digital TV network is not enough
  - Gap fillers needed for indoor coverage
  - IPDC standard proposal could have been more stringent























#### "Brodcaster Domain"

"3G Mobile Operator Domain"



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## MBMS (Multimedia Broadcast and Multicast Services)

# 3G (HSDPA)

#### **Unicast versus Broadcast**





- Unlimited number of content channels
- Transport channel only used for the duration of a session, transmission can be optimized per user
- Does not scale well with the number of users

- Number of content channels is limited
- Each content channel allocates one transport channel even if no user is watching
- Resource consumption independent from number of users
### Channel delivery today



### Channel delivery via MBMS



### Radio Resource Usage

Cell Capacity

# users







### UTRAN – Below and Above the

#### Threshold

- Below the Threshold: DEDICATED CHANNEL
  - using RLC ack mode
- Above the threshold: COMMON CHANNEL
  - FACH (Forward Access Channel)
  - Use of higher TTI (Time Transmission Interval) for optimizing transmitted power
  - Use of SC (Selective Combining) for deploying cell coverage overlapping

#### LATEST ENHANCEMNTS (now in TR 25.803 v6.0.0):

- Use of RAKE combining (when applicable) and Soft Combining will further enhance the performance (by 2dB or more)
- Use of RX diversity in the terminal can further enhance the performance (by 3dB)

# **GERAN -** Below and Above the Threshold

#### Below the Threshold: COMMON FEEDBACK CHANNEL

- Data are broadcasted on assigned Time Slots to all the UE's.
- PDAN (Packet Data Ack Nack):
  Up to 16 UE's can report the data reception on an common uplink shared channel
- A repetition pattern is generated accordingly
- Above the threshold: **BLIND BLOCK REPETITION** 
  - Data are broadcasted on assigned Time Slots to all the UE's
  - For guaranteeing the correct reception data are repeated N times
  - Bitrate vs. coverage has to be balanced.

### Capacity of Mobile TV over HSDPA





#### 12 Erlang available for dimensioning MobileTV at 128 kbps

### How many MobileTV users on unicast? Flat usage scenario

- Available capacity: 12 Erlang / cell (HSDPA, 128 kbps per channel)
- Assumed user density per cell in densely populated areas: 600

Usage per day (0700 - 1900 = 12 hours)	Load [Erlang]	Max users density per cell	Share of total subscriber base
Low (e.g. 2x 5 min)	~0.014	~857	~140 %
Medium (e.g. 5x 12 min)	~0.083	~144	~24%
High (e.g. 4x 20 min)	~0.111	~108	~18 %

Unicast: 25% of the subscribers can use Mobile TV for 1 hour/day in a flat usage scenario

### **MBMS** Performance

Source: 3GPP TR 25.803 v6.0.0



6x 128 kbps MBMS broadcast bearers on one WCDMA carrier

### Combined HSDPA / MBMS broadcast "Hot channels" scenario

- "Hot channels" = channels requested by many users at the same time
- Traffic model
  - 25% of all customers (= 150 users/cell) are subscribed to MobileTV
  - "Hot channels" attracts 50% (= 75 users/cell) of the MobileTV subscribers



- Two MBMS Broadcast bearers per cell for delivering the "hot channels"
  - Around 8 Erlang/cell can be used for unicast
- Remaining 75 users not watching the hot channel can still generate additional traffic of ~50 mE (corresponding to "medium load" scenario)

Two broadcast bearers sufficient to cope with "hot channels" (= channels watched by <u>many users at the same time</u>)

### Indoor Capacity Simulation results

#### Outdoor





#### Only marginal performance loss when indoor

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### Future MBMS capacity

Advanced receiver techniques



12x 128 kbps MBMS Broadcast bearers with advanced receiver techniques

# DVB-H - 34 (DVB-Handheld)



#### Digital Video Broadcast-Handheld (DVB-H) Based on ETSI DVB-T

- (European standard for Digital Terrestrial TV)
- Specific Requirements
  - Same service environment as cellular systems (2G and 3G)
  - Mobile and indoor reception, cellular hand-set form factor
  - Support of IP datacasting (IPDC) and TV over IPDC distribution
  - Low power consumption of receiver (same battery life times as with current cellular phones; frontend < 100mW)</li>

#### Deploy with:

- SFN (Single Frequency Network) with 8MHz channel (DVB-T/H)
  - 30-80 TV channels (128-384Kbps)
- **UHF frequencies** 
  - UHF band (470-700 MHz)

## Standard approved by ETSI last November 2004 completion expected end 2005

### Channel delivery via DVB-H



CN and RAN resources not used for content delivery

Number of channels limited by available DVB-H capacity















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### Technology evolution for "Mobile TV"



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- HSPDA and MBMS represent a baseline for evolving already existing Mobile TV services
- No indoor coverage extra requirements
- Combining unicast and broadcast a cost and spectrum efficient solution can be achieved
- DVB-H addresses specific usage cases and requires gap fillers for giving the same mobile coverage
- Both technologies make interactive channel available

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