

EARTH Project Overview and First Technical Results

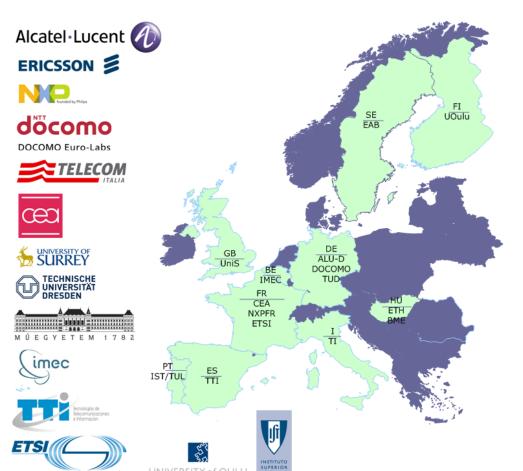
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EARTH Consortium





- Project duration
 - January 2010 June 2012
- Consortium
 - 15 partners from 10 countries
- Project budget
 - Total 14.8 M€
 - EU part 9.48 M€
- Resources
 - 1219 PM
 - 40 fulltime persons 2,5 yrs
- Project Coordinator: Dietrich Zeller, Alcatel-Lucent
- Technical Manager: Ylva Jading, Ericsson



World Class Standards

EARTH sets new Research Scene



Extending component research to new RAN research area

- Radio access network energy efficiency today driven by component development; cost and technology rationalization in products
- EARTH provides base for mobile-network energy-efficiency research

Analyse the situation and formulate "the problem"

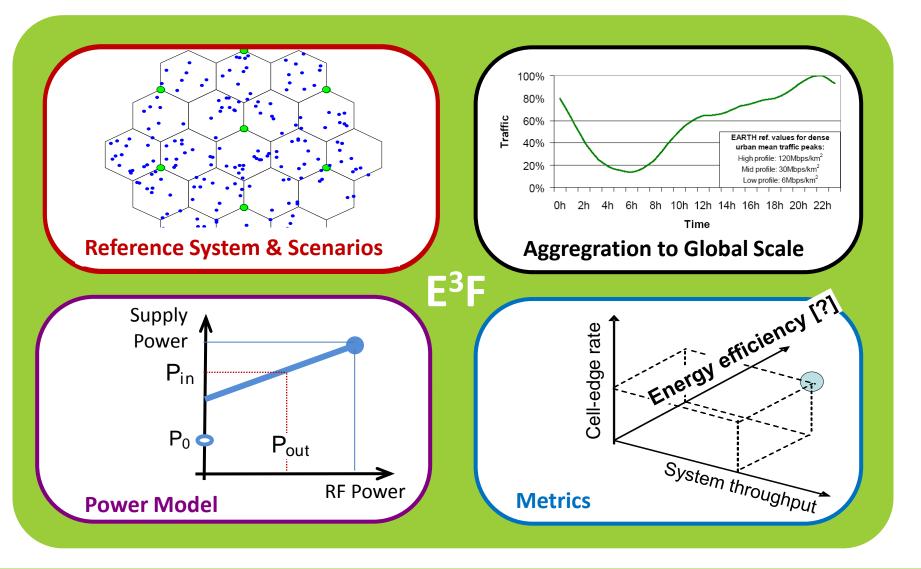
- Life Cycle Assessment of current and future mobile networks
- Future scenario predictions based on documented trends

Evaluation methodology for energy consumption

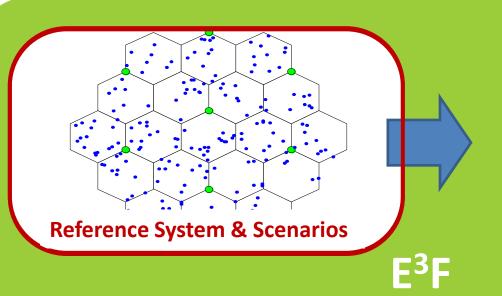
- The EARTH Energy Efficiency Evaluation Framework (E³F)
- Compatible with existing 3GPP and ITU evaluation methodology
- Develop suitable energy consumption metrics











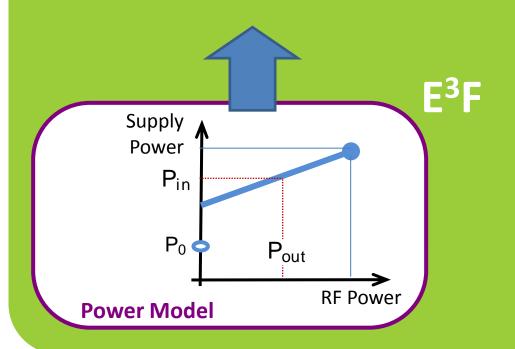
Traditional (small-scale, short-term) **System Level Simulations**

- 3GPP and ITU compliant evaluation methods
- Dynamic system simulations for different scenarios
 - \circ Dense urban, urban, suburban and rural
- System simulations carried out for a range of average load levels





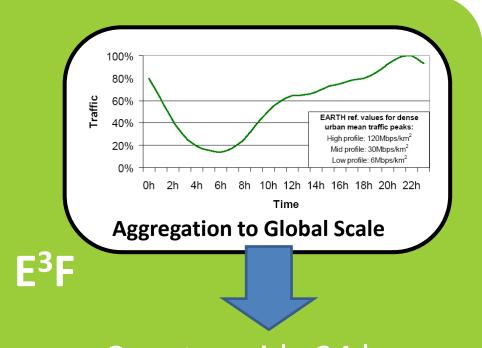




- Detailed power model for node and components
- Power models for various base station types
 - → Macro, micro, pico and femto nodes
- Dynamic load dependence on OFDM symbol scale



- Based on network traffic data; geographical and population data
- → Models average traffic aggregation to 24 hours
- → Maps reference scenarios to country and European scale



Country wide 24 hour **Traffic & Deployment** Model



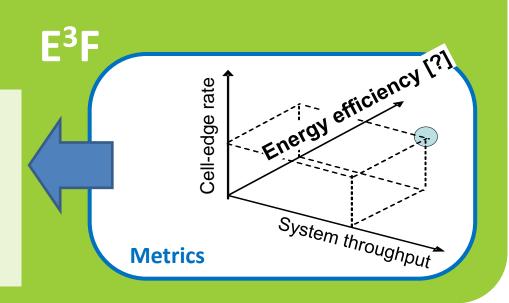


Recommended use of **Energy Consumption Metrics**

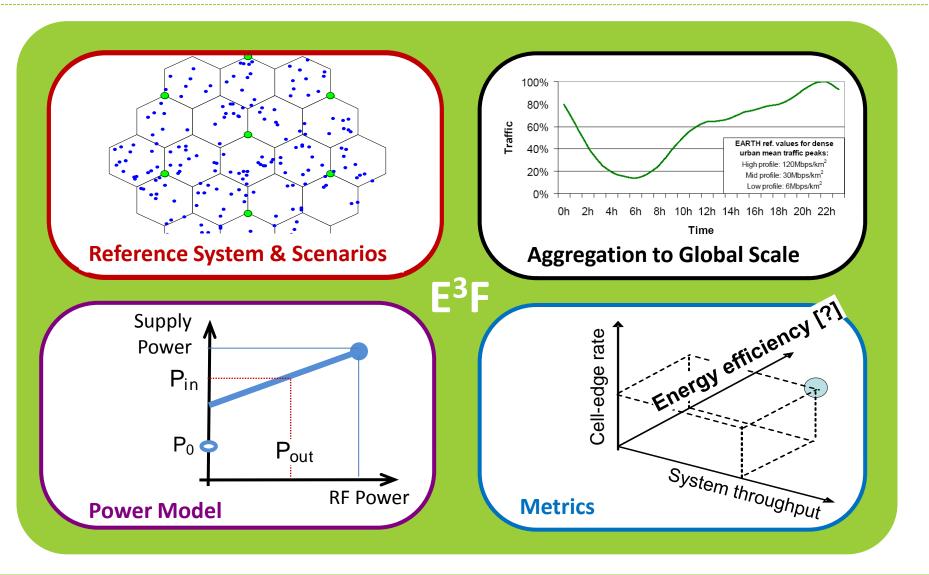
- [J/bit] reflecting traditional capacity and data rate improvements
 - Increasing peak data rates quickly decreases [J/bit]
- [W/m²] reflecting crucial coverage and service area aspects
 - High fixed cost for coverage makes [W/m²] very important
- Metric communicated to ETSI TC EE

Performance Metrics for Concept Evaluations

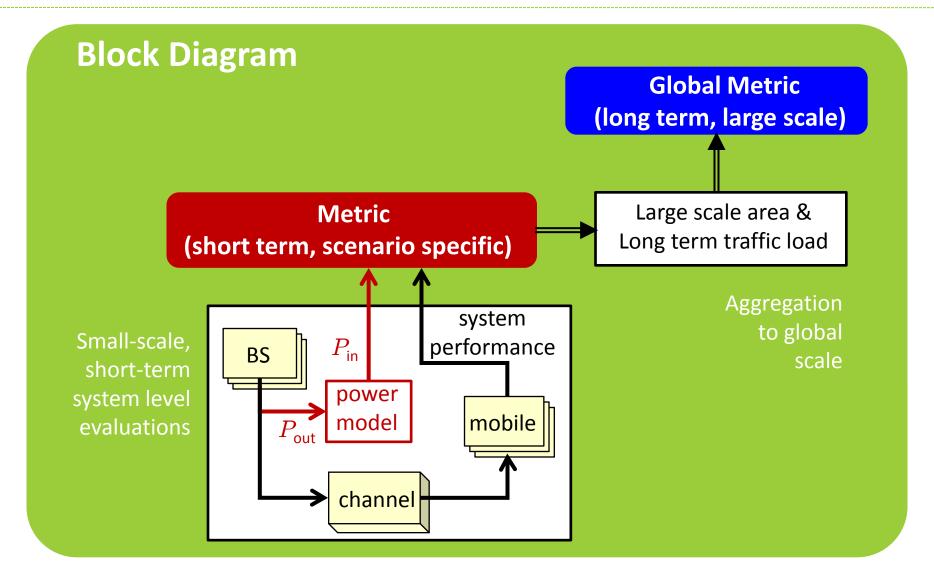
- Served cell throughput
- Mean, 5th, 50th, and 95th
 percentile user throughput
- Performance metrics follow 3GPP recommendations [TR36.814]











The **big** picture



Drivers for cellular network energy efficiency investigations

- Increasing and potentially volatile electricity costs for operators
- Controlling global CO₂ contributing from expanding cellular networks
- ICT industry needs credibility to reduce CO₂ emission in other sectors

Key findings for future network energy efficiency

- Traffic growth has so far had little impact on NW energy consumption
- Historic trends suggests 300 times decrease of [J/bit] 2007 to 2020...
 but it is increasingly demanding to keep that rate of reduction
- Huge unexplored saving potential at no and low cell load
- Low delay is a key issue in balance between sleep modes and QoS



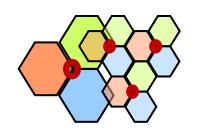
Evaluated Green Network Tracks (I)

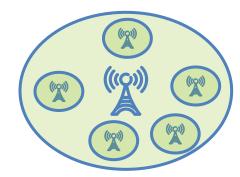


Deployment:

Relays nodes, Multi RAT, Heterogeneous Networks

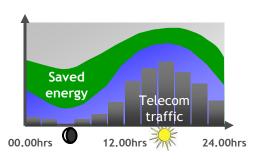


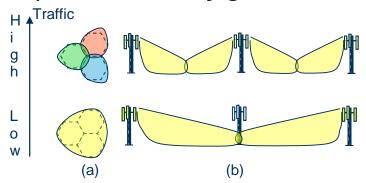




Network Management:

BS cooperation, Adaptive NW configuration



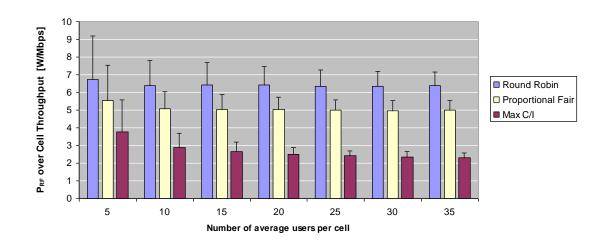


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Evaluated Green Network Tracks (II)

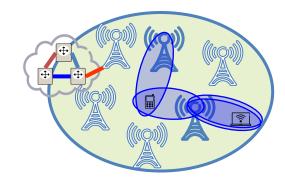


Radio Resource Management: Energy efficient scheduling



Future Architecture:

Designing the ultimate energy lean mobile radio system





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Multi-antenna techniques:

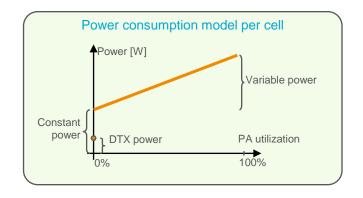
Reconfigurable antennas, Beam forming, Spatial multiplexing

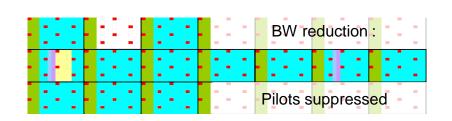






Radio interface: DTX and sleep modes, bandwidth adaptation



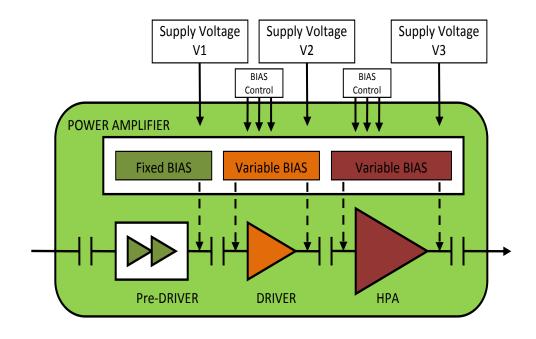


Evaluated Green Radio Tracks (II)



Macro and pico BS components:

improved and adaptable PA, transceivers etc



What happens next in EARTH?



Selection of most-promising technical tracks/concepts

- Green Network and Green Radio tracks evaluated with EARTH E³F
- Selection of most promising tracks next week in Santander

Develop and evaluate integrated EARTH solution

- Based on most-promising concepts from areas above
- Integrated and holistically evaluated according to EARTH E³F
- Selected concepts to be tested in TI test plant and lab prototypes





Thank you ©