# Lecture 1b Introduction

# Wireless Communication Systems

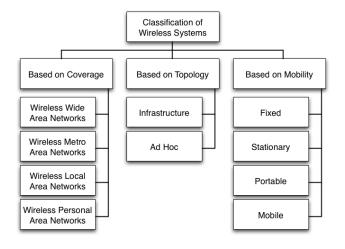
- Wireless communication system
  - Any electrical communication system that uses a naturally occurring communication channel, such as air, water, earth
- **Examples**:
  - Cell phone, sonar, ground penetrating radar
  - Broadcast: (one way)
    - Radio, TV, pagers, satellite TV
  - Two Way:
  - Walkie talkie, cell phones, satellite phones, WiFi, Bluetooth
- Fundamentally different from wired networks

### Mobile Vs. Wireless

- Mobile and Wireless are not interchangeable
- *Mobile* and *wireless* communication systems
- Communicate over the air via radio-waves
- Support "some" form of user mobility

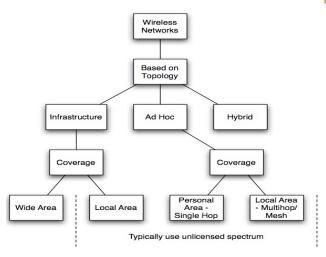
Mobile	Wireless	Example
×	*	Desktop computer with Ethernet, pay phone
×	✓	Wireless local loop
✓	×	Calling card, call forwarding
✓	✓	Cell phone, laptop with WLAN

# Classification of Wireless Systems (1)

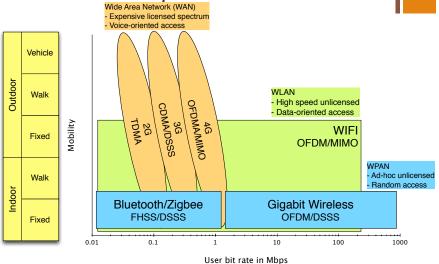


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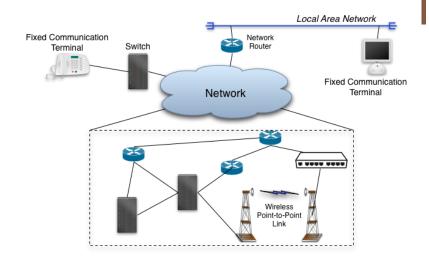
Classification of Wireless Systems (2)



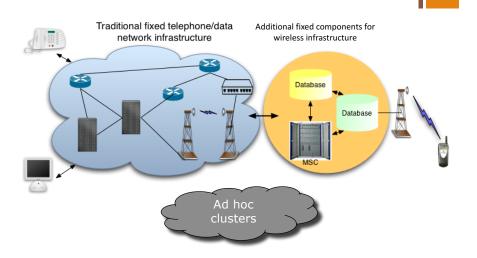
Classification based on data rates and technologies



# <sup>†</sup> Traditional Wired Networks



# Positioning of Wireless Networks



- Basics
- A wired (fixed) infrastructure supports communications between wireless devices and between wireless devices and fixed devices
- Base Stations (BSs) or Access Points (APs) form the point of access to the network
  - Each BS covers an area called a "cell"
  - Multiple BSs are interconnected to cover a larger geographical area
- Star topology
  - The BS or AP is the hub
  - Any communication from a wireless device to another has to be sent through the BS or AP
  - The BS or AP manages user access to the network

- Wireless transceivers
  - Base stations BSs and Access points - APs
  - Mobile stations MSs
- Spectrum
  - Frequency bands for uplink and downlink
- Air interface

- Management Entities
  - Mobility management
  - Power management
  - Radio resource management
  - Security
- Deployment
  - Frequency reuse
  - Network design

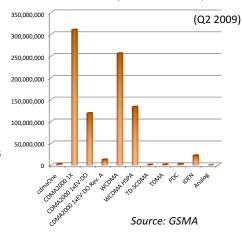
### **Examples of Infrastructure** Wireless Networks

- ■Wide area
  - Voice oriented Cellular telephone systems
  - Data oriented Mobile data systems
- ■Local Area
  - Voice oriented Wireless PBXs
  - Cordless phones
  - Data Oriented Wireless LANs
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  - Mixed environments (e.g., UMTS and LTE)

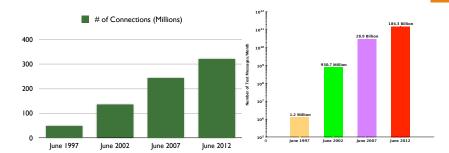
# The Cellphone Industry

- Mobile phone systems
  - Support communication to mobile users via wireless radio channel
- Fastest growing technical device EVER!
- Variety of systems
  - 4.3 Billion Connections (Q2 2009)
    - Over 7 billion connections today
    - Over 3.6 billion unique subscribers

# of Connections (GSM = 3.4 Billion)



## **US Statistics**



34% of Households are "Wireless Only"

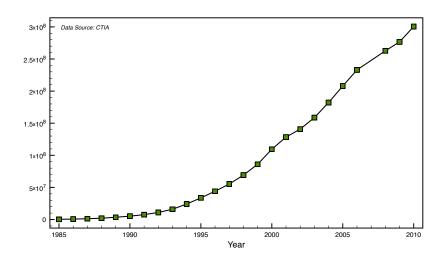
Annual Total Wireless Revenues in 2012: \$ 178.4 Billion Annual Revenues from Data Traffic in 2012: \$ 68.3 Billion

Data Source: CTIA - http://www.ctia.org/advocacy/research/index.cfm/AID/10323

# History of Wireless Voice Networks

Year Event	
1970s Exploration of first generation mobile radio at Bell Labs; First generat	tion cordless phones
1982 Exploration of second generation digital cordless CT-2	
1982 Deployment of first analog cellular system: NMT	
1983 Deployment of first US analog cellular system: AMPS	
1983 Exploration of 2G digital cellular GSM	
1985 Exploration of wireless PBXs and DECT	
1988 Initiation of GSM development and IS-54 development	
1988 Exploration of Qualcomm's CDMA technology	
1991 Deployment of GSM	
1993 Deployment of PHS/PHP and initiation of IS-95	
1995 PCS Band auction	
2000 Wireless Web, Wireless Application Protocol, GPRS	
2002 3G Networks; Advances in 3G Networks	
2011 LTE; Voice over LTE (VoLTE)?	

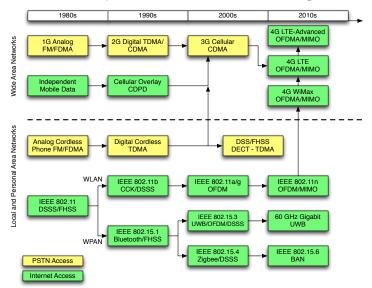
# Number of cellphone subscribers



#### Generations of mobile communications

Feature/ Decade	1980s	1990s	2000s	2010s	2020s
Generation	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
Keywords	Analog	Digital Personal	Global World Standards;	MIMO, High data rate; IP-Based	Cognitive? Open spectrum? high mobility? Massive MIMO
Multiple Access	FDMA	TDMA CDMA	CDMA, OFDM	OFDMA & MIMO	Mixed?
Cellular Systems	Analog Cellular	Digital Cellular	UMTS, cdma2000 (3G-Cellular) Rates ~ 10 Mbps	LTE, WiMax, HSPA+	LTE-Advanced, 5G- Cellular, ITS
Wireless Local Area Networks		Mobile Data Early WLAN	3G Data, 802.11b, a, g, n	801.ac	802.11ad, 802.11ax?

#### An evolutionary view of wireless technologies



#### Next Weeks

- ■More on generations of wireless networks
- Basic definitions
  - Channel
  - Spectrum efficiency
  - dB
  - Access