Wireless Network Discovery

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Network Discovery

Connection Topology

Temporal Parameters

• Topography (for mobile networks)

Outline of Talk

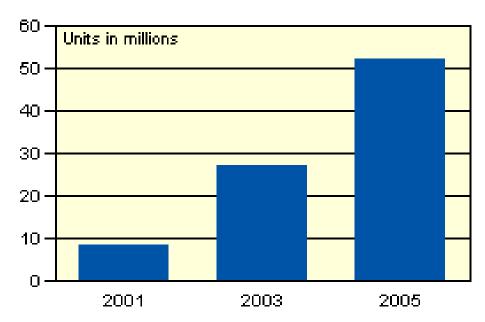
Motivation for work

• Test Instruments

• Projects

Growth in Wireless Data Usage

U.S. Wireless Data Subscriber Forecast



Source: Cahners In-Stat Group

Interference Issues

Wireless tower boom creating local static

Antennas unregulated

By Stacie Oulton

Denver Post Staff Writer

Sunday, April 08, 2001

Priority Access Issues

Priority Wireless Access
Urged for Rescuers

During Crises

By Robert O'Harrow Jr.

Washington Post Staff Writer

Friday, October 12, 2001; Page E11

Test Instruments

• Field Test Mode on Phones

• Drive Test Tools

• Spectrum Analyzers

Wireless Handset as a Network Measurement Instrument



TDMA (5160)

RSSI = -85 dBm

DVCC = 7

Slot = 1

DCCH = CAMPING

(Dedicated Control Channel)



CDMA (6185)

CSST = IDLE

Channel = 750

SP = 1900 MHz

Rx = -78 dBm

Tx = -75 dBm

Ec/Io = 14



GSM(5190)

DVCC = 622

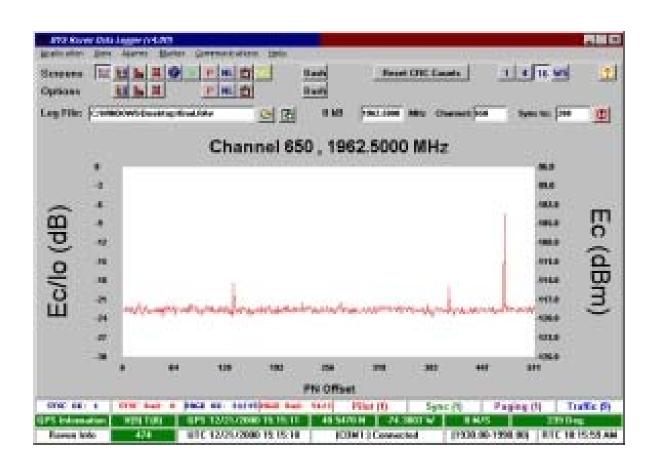
RSSI = -73 dBm

CCCH = Common Control Channel

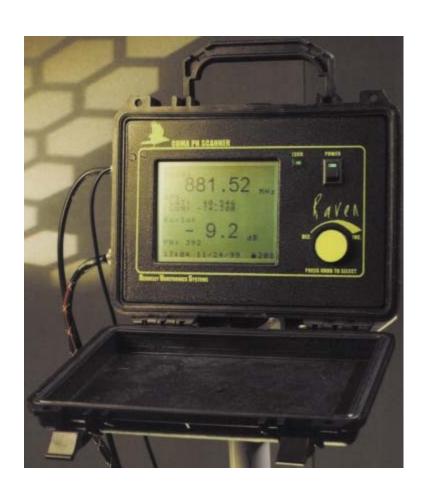
Drive Test Tools



PN Code Scanner



Walsh Code Scanner



Projects

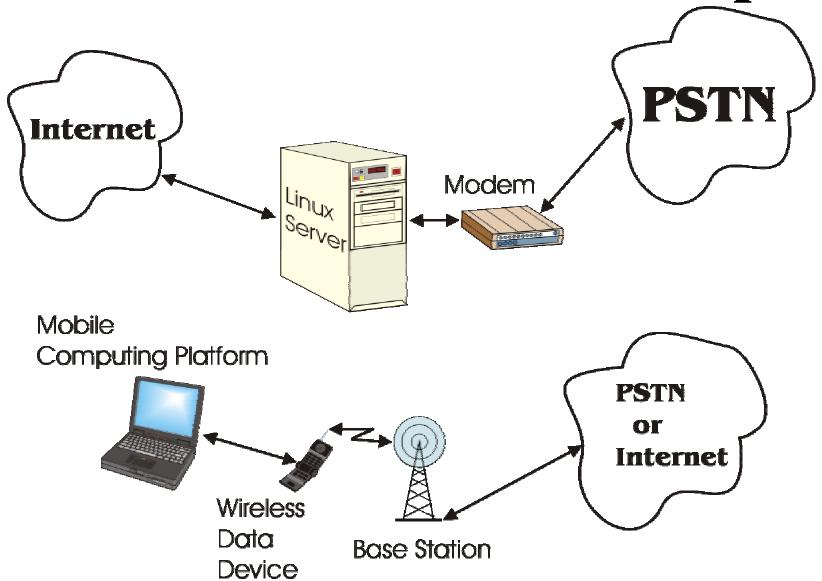
• Wireless Data Throughput

Propagation Mapping

• Base Station Location

Congestion Studies

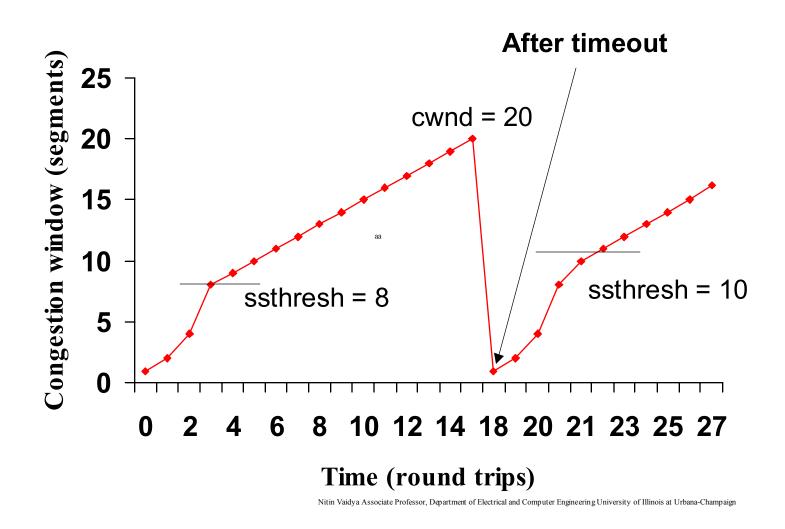
Measurement Set up



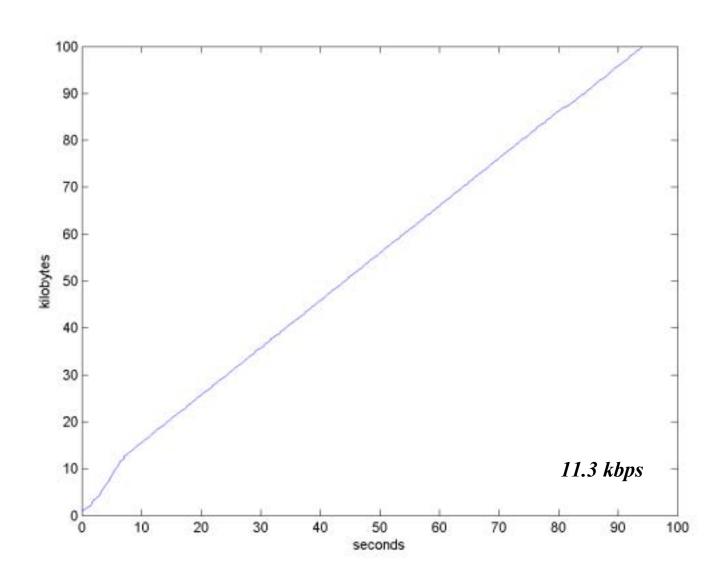
Medium	MODE	File Size (kB)	Throughput (kbps)	Std Dev. (kbps)	95% Confidence Interval (kbps)
Wireless PDA	Stationary	10	1.4	0.01	0.01
		100	1.4	0.01	0.01
Cellular Digital Packet Data	Mobile	10	1.5	0.54	0.33
	Stationary	10	2.1	0.20	0.11
		100	2.1	0.15	0.09
IS-95	Mobile	10	8.4	0.87	0.30
		100	10.7	0.47	0.17
	Stationary	10	8.7	1.14	0.41
		100	11.3	0.23	0.10
GSM	Mobile	10	7.0	0.62	0.21
		100	7.9	0.39	0.14
	Stationary	10	7.3	0.04	0.01
		100	8.5	0.00	0.00
Microcell	Stationary	10	44.4	15.60	4.83
		100	97.8	27.43	8.50
9.6 kbps Wireline Modem	Stationary	Mixed	7.2	0.72	0.32

IP Data Channel Throughput

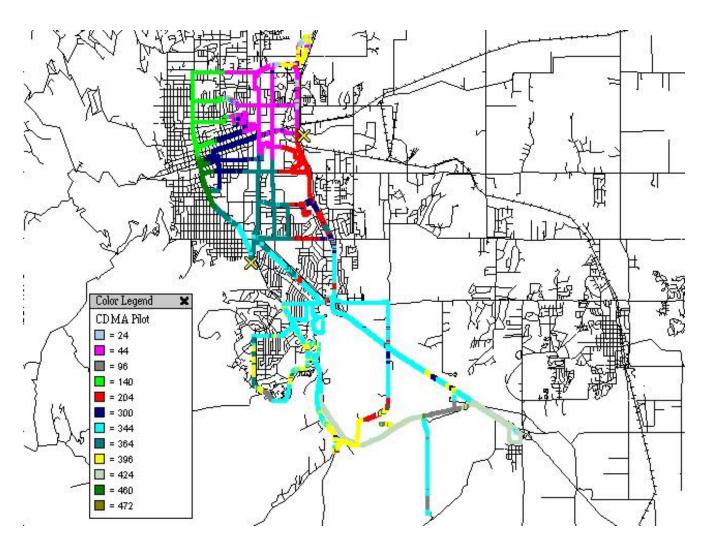
TCP Congestion Behavior



CDMA 100 kB File Transfer



Propagation Mapping

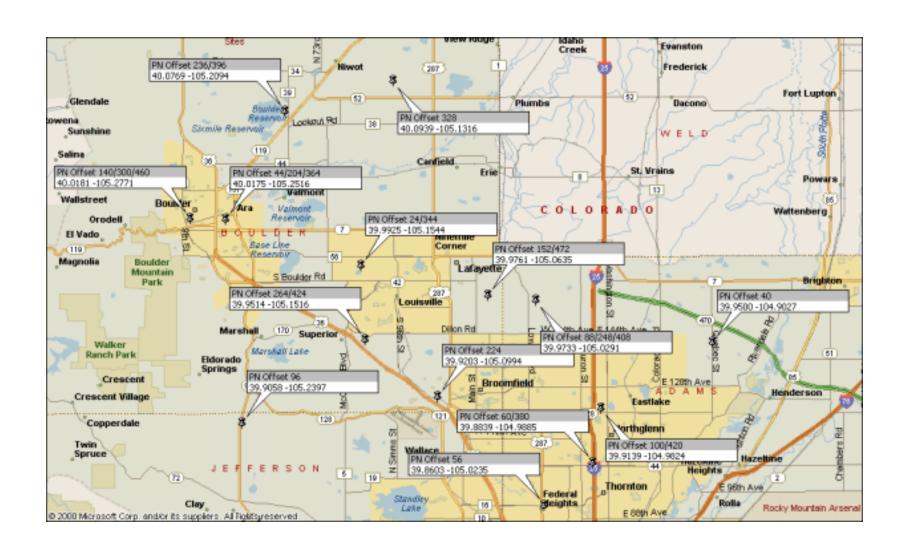


Base Station Location

• CDMA

- Optional field in access parameters message provides GPS coordinates of base station
- Time difference of arrival information is also known

CDMA Base Stations



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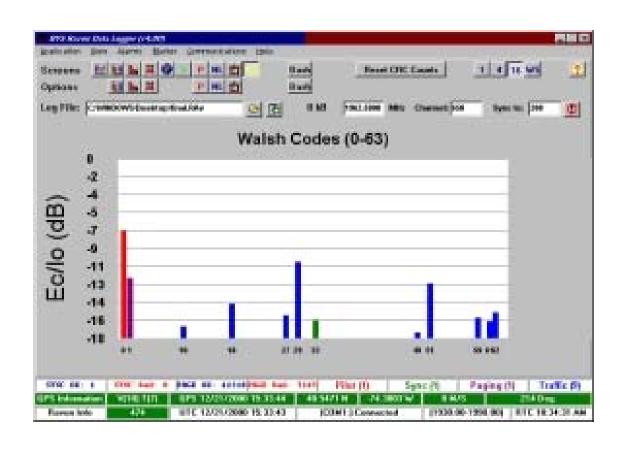
• GSM

- Timing advance parameter gives distance to base station in 550 meter (1800 ft) increments
- Phone must be in operation for timing advance to become available

Base Station Location

- Other Cases
- Power Models
 - Power exponent variable
- Trilateration
 - Time of Arrival (TOA)
 - Time Difference of Arrival (TDOA)
- Triangulation
 - Angle of Arrival (AOA)

Congestion Studies



Future Projects

• PCS Interference

• 802.11b Wi-Fi

• Bluetooth