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Background

- Resource Management Problem
 - Operator Perspective
 - Operator: needs maximum number of customers
 - Maximum number of users = Capacity of the system
 - Consumer Perspective
 - User: needs best Quality of Service (QoS)
- Capacity is a function of QoS requirements
 - Services requiring more resources per user limits the capacity of the system
- Resource Management Problem:
 - *"Design systems where the number of users is maximized for a given QoS requirement"*

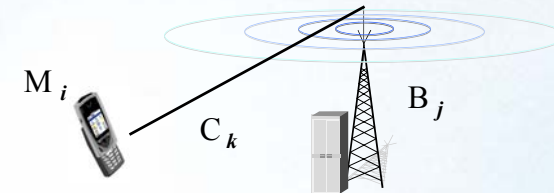
Problem Aspects

- The wireless network design problem
 - Design the fixed network infrastructure
 - How many base stations ?
 - Where to place them ?
 - What fixed network capacity has to be provided for different base stations ?
- The radio resource allocation problem
 - Given an infrastructure design.
 - How should the wireless resources be allocated to meet the instantaneous demand of the users and mobile terminals moving around in the network ?

Definitions

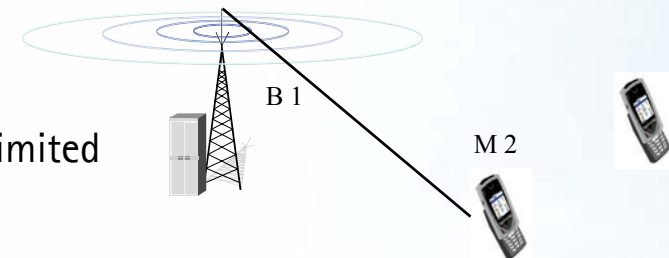
- Active mobile terminals

- A mobile requiring a connection is an **active mobile terminal**
 - ⇒ $\mathbf{M} = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$
- M is a stochastic variable
 - Its distribution depends on traffic call intensity, duration of user session and the system behavior
 - Terminals become active independently
 - » Two Dimensional Poisson Point Process
 - » They are not completely dependent, since they are using the same set of channels
 - » Process rate Ω (active terminals/ area unit)



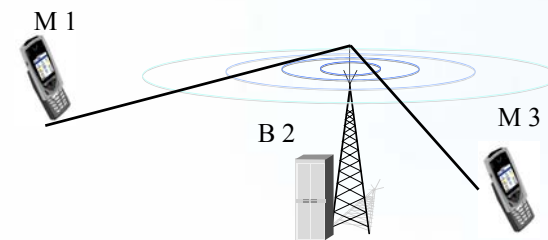
- Radio Access Ports (base stations)

- The mobile terminal is served by access port. The number is limited
 - ⇒ $\mathbf{B} = \{1, 2, \dots, B\}$



- System Channels (waveforms)

- System channels are numbered from the following set
 - ⇒ $\mathbf{C} = \{1, 2, \dots, C\}$
- These channels are available for establishing links between access ports and terminals



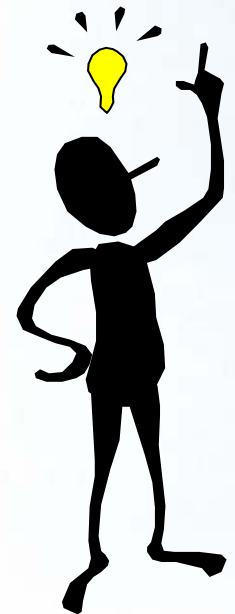
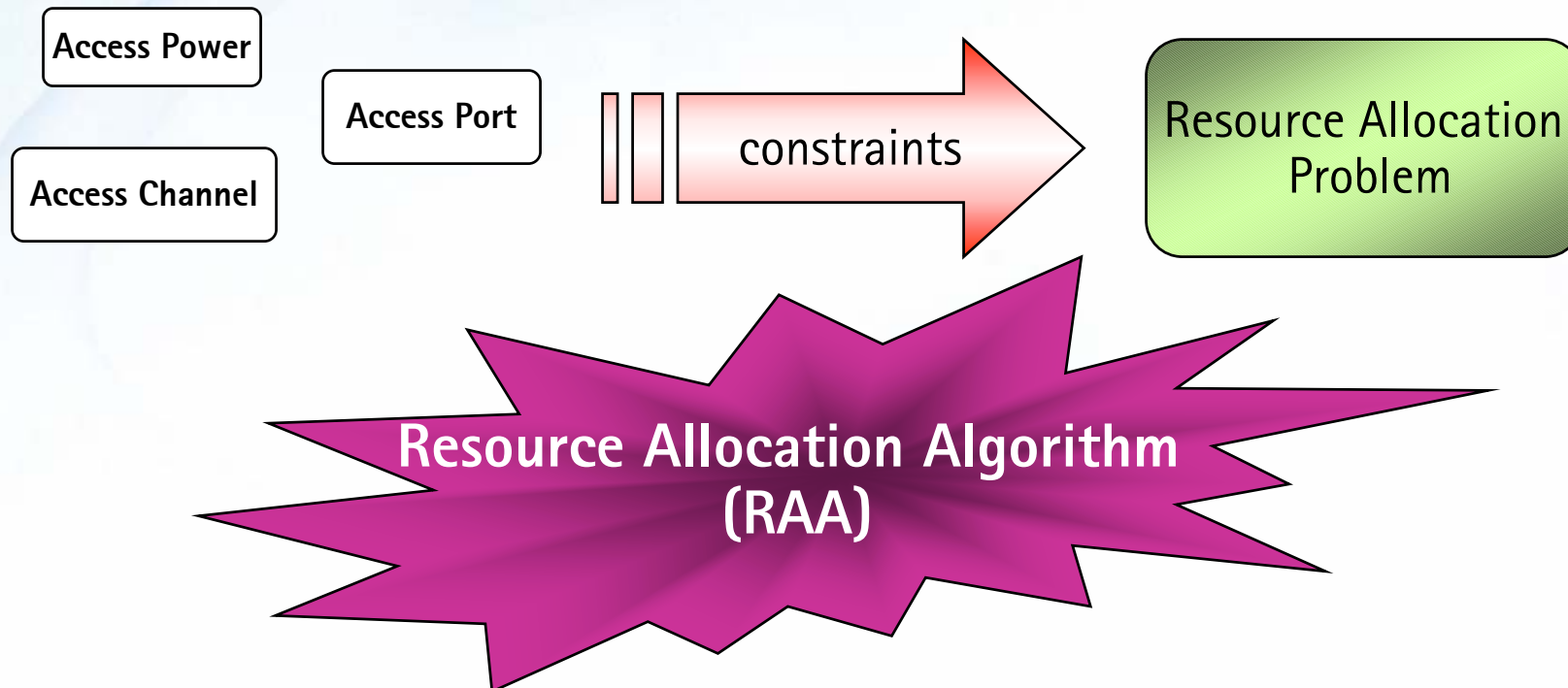
Radio Link Establishment

- To establish radio links, each terminal has to assign
 - An access port (base station) from set **B**
 - A channel from set **C**
 - A transmitter power for the access port and the terminal



Radio Link Constraints

- Limited number of access channels (**C**)
- Limited number of access ports (**B**)
- Constrained power assignment
- Interference caused by the access ports and terminals

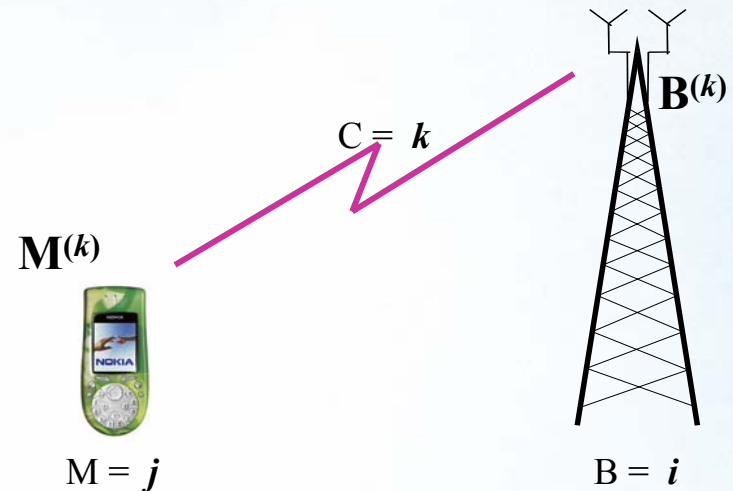


Notations

- $M^{(k)} = \{j: \text{terminal } j \text{ has been assigned channel } k\}, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, C$
- $B^{(k)} = \{i: \text{RAP } i \text{ has been assigned channel } k\}, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, C$

$$\bigcup_{k=0}^C M^{(k)} = M$$

$$\bigcup_{k=0}^C B^{(k)} = B$$



- The sets $M^{(k)}$ are usually disjoint
 - Each terminal uses only one channel at a time
- The sets $B^{(k)}$ are joint
 - RAP may serve multiple terminals using different channels

Propagation Constraints

- Link Gain
 - Between transmitters and receivers
 - G_{ij} is the power gain of the channel between port j and terminal i
- The received power in the receiver j , $P_{rx,j}$ can be written as

$$P_{rx,j} = P_{tx,i} G_{ij}$$

Where $P_{tx,j}$ is the transmitter power at transmitter j .

- The link gain matrix

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} G_{11} & G_{12} & G_{1M} \\ G_{21} & G_{22} & G_{2M} \\ G_{B1} & G_{B2} & G_{BM} \end{bmatrix}$$

- This matrix describes the instantaneous propagation conditions in the system
- G_{ij} 's are assumed to be random variables

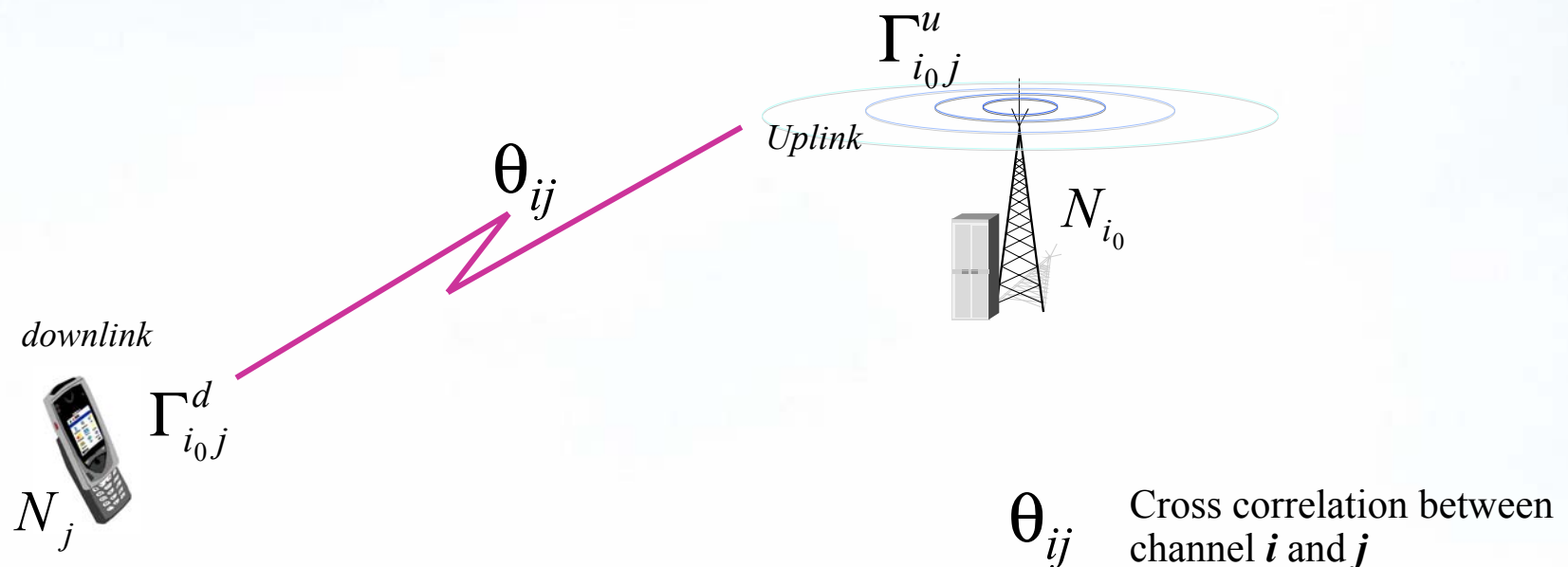
Interference Constraints

- SIR

- Signal to *interference + noise* ratio
- Assuming only one channel in the system

$$\Gamma_{i_0 j}^u = \frac{P_j G_{i_0 j}}{\sum_{m \neq j} P_m \theta_{0,m} G_{i_0 m} + N_{i_0}} \geq \gamma_j^u$$

$$\Gamma_{i_0 j}^d = \frac{P_j G_{i_0 j}}{\sum_{b \neq j} P_b \theta_{0,b} G_{i_0 b} + N_j} \geq \gamma_j^d$$



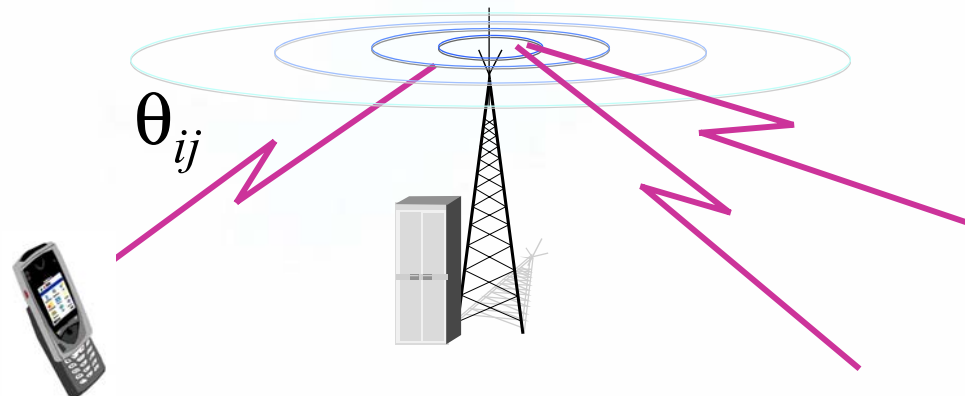
Interference (2)

- Using orthogonal channels
 - \mathbf{C} consists of orthogonal channels
- The interference from other channels can be neglected given that the channels are orthogonal
 - Interference summations are taken over all the terminals using the same channel c only

$$\theta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

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System Capacity

- System Capacity = Largest number that can be handled
 - It might not be possible to satisfy the requirements for all M terminals
- Measuring System Capacity
 - Definition: Y = channels available at a given instant of time
 - Y is the number of available channels in the system at given instant of time
 - » Random Variable
 - C is the total number of channels in the system
 - » Constant
 - Definition: Z = failed assignment
 - Terminals that cannot be assigned at a given instant of time because of unavailability of free system channels
 - $Z = M - Y$
- Assignment Failure Rate ν

$$\nu = \frac{E(Z)}{E(M)} = \frac{E(Z)}{\omega A}$$

where ω = active terminals / area unit (**traffic load**)

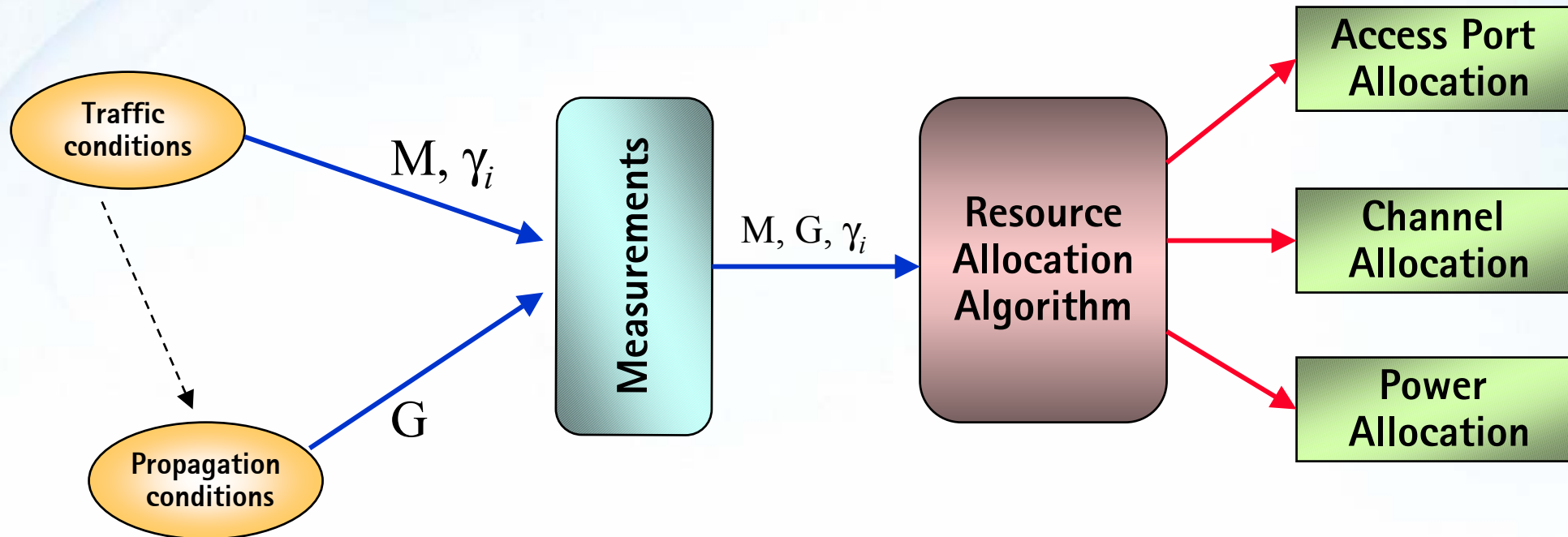
A = Cell Area

Instantaneous Capacity

- For large ωA
 - The assignment failure rate (v) \cong the probability that it is not possible to provide a combination of channel and access port to some randomly chosen terminals at some given instant of time without violating the interference constraints
- Definition
 - Threshold failure rate v_0
 - Instantaneous Capacity $\Rightarrow \omega_*(v_0) = \{ \max \omega: v \leq v_0 \}$
 - The maximum allowed traffic load in order to keep the assignment failure rate below a threshold v_0

RAA Design

- User behavior model
 - Users can request many services characterized by various sets of QoS parameters like
 - Bit Rate, Error Probabilities, Delays
- QoS model
- Snapshot Analysis



Dynamic & Static RAA

- Dynamic RAA
 - Adapts to
 - Propagation conditions change (mobile terminals)
 - Traffic conditions change
 - Problems
 - Constant recalculation and updating further complicates the resource assignment problem
 - Measurements not always reliable
 - Example
 - Use measured SIR to predict future SIR
 - Practicality
 - Needs to track changes in propagation conditions and user traffic
- Static RAA
 - Based on priori knowledge (done at planning stage)
 - Average propagation conditions in certain areas
 - Average traffic load conditions
 - Given QoS requirements

QoS Model and User Behavior

3G (UMTS) Bearer Service Classes

Service Class	Typical Applications	Service Functional Characteristics
Conversational (Real Time)	Voice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preserve time relations between entities• Stringent preservation of conversational patterns (low delay)
Streaming (Real Time)	Video/Audio streams	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preserve time relations between entities
Interactive Best Effort	Web-browsing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Request/Response pattern• Preserve delay (low error rate)
Background Best Effort	File transfer, e-mail	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not time critical• Preserve payload (low error rate)

QoS Parameters (in 3G)

- Service Attributes
 - Maximum data rate
 - The highest data rate that a user could expect
 - Maximum packet/message size
 - Guaranteed data rate
 - The lowest data rate that a user is guaranteed
 - Transfer delay
 - The delay packet/message spends between access ports
 - Priority
 - Relative importance of different messages
 - Residual bit error rate
 - The undetected error rate after the delivery of the information over the service interface

QoS Parameters (Example)

Some 3G (UMTS) Service Attribute/Parameter Ranges

Traffic Class	Conversational	Streaming	Interactive	Background
Max bitrate(kbps)	<2000	<2000	<2000-overhead	<2000-overhead
Max SDU size(byte)	<1500	<1500	<1500	<1500
Guaranteed bit rate	<2000	<2000		
Transfer delay(ms)	80 - max value	500 - max value		
Priority	1,2,3	1,2,3	1,2,3	1,2,3
Residual BER	$5 \cdot 10^{-2}$, 10^{-2} , 10^{-3} , 10^{-6}	$5 \cdot 10^{-2}$, 10^{-2} , 10^{-3} , 10^{-4} , 10^{-5} , 10^{-6}	$4 \cdot 10^{-3}$, 10^{-5} , $6 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-3}$, 10^{-5} , $6 \cdot 10^{-8}$

Service Availability (QoS)

- Service denial probability
 - Probability that a user is denied to begin a session with a bearer service due to resource shortage
- Service interruption probability
 - Probability that a user is forced to terminate a session with bearer service due to resource shortage

QoS Models (Examples)

- Voice (Telephony) QoS and traffic model
 - Residual message error rate < 0.01
 - End-to-end delay fixed and not more than 80-100 ms
 - All calls have an exponentially distributed duration with average length of $1/\mu$ (time/call)
 - Relative traffic load $\rho = \lambda/\mu$: how many new calls are expected during the ongoing call. (Erlang)
 - **Service denial probability** referred to as **Blocking probability**
 - **Service interruption probability** referred **Call dropping probability**
- Web browsing QoS and traffic model
 - Short messages sent uplink from the terminal at random instant to request rather large files to be downloaded into the terminal
 - Critical QoS characteristics = response time
 - The undetected error rate at the user level $< 10^{-8}$
 - Classical model: Poisson distributed for the packet interval time and the size of requested files

QoS and Network Performance

- The QoS-SIR mapping => (Number of users model)
 - Is it possible to map various QoS requirements to a simple link quality measure ?
 - In a simple case => YES, we can map QoS with SIR
 - This would be difficult when:
 - » Considering the temporal aspects (e.g., message delay in non-real time)
 - » Considering the temporal variations in service availability due to traffic fluctuations and user mobility
- User behavior and service mix => (User behavior model)
 - What will be the QoS-profile requested for a certain use r and what is the required service availability ?
 - Random models used.
 - A user, with some probability belongs to a certain class of users with identical QoS profiles.
 - The probability distribution of class membership is usually referred to as service mix.

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Exercise

In a wireless network with two access ports and three terminals, the gain matrix is found to be

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 0.02 & 0.0005 & 0.05 \\ 0.002 & 0.01 & 0.001 \end{pmatrix}$$

The transmitter power is constant (=1) and the noise power N is 0.001 for all terminals. Two orthogonal waveforms are available.

Determine the optimal access port and channel assignment and the resulting SIR.

Thank you !

