DAS Boot Camp - Next Generation Wireless Networks

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Rahim is certified in all major DAS technologies.





Connectivity Wireless Solutions is an industry-leading technology solutions provider.

With more than 450 years of combined industry experience, and one of the first companies to break into the DAS industry, Connectivity has provided thousands of unique solutions to meet the wireless needs of venues and facilities throughout the U.S. since 2008.

Having integrated systems across virtually every market and industry, Connectivity takes pride in matching each customer with exactly the right technology to ensure that its wireless and IT network needs are met.





Agenda

- Public Safety Primer
- Next Gen Wireless Trends
- Next Gen Wireless Solutions
- 15-minute break
- Infrastructure Deep Dive
- Carriers and Case Studies





Public Safety Primer





DAS for Public Safety

Mandates for radio service for public safety

- ICC & NFPA codes mandate first-responder coverage
- 150+ local municipalities now mandate public safety coverage inside large buildings
- Indoor cellular/PCS service required for E911 location
- 700 & 800 MHz bands allocated for fire and police
- 400,000 E911 calls per day (CTIA Semi-Annual Survey, Jan-June 2012)
- According the FCC, 70% of E911 calls are made from wireless phones







• FirstNet





Public Safety DAS

NFPA Guidelines

- NFPA 72 2010
- Issued in April of 2009
- Only applicable if the municipality adopts this portion of the code

Require Public Safety coverage inside facilities for Fire, Police, First Responders

- No building size is identified defines coverage
- If the municipality adopts the codes it would be enforceable for new buildings and major renovations

Includes discussion on retransmission agreements

- Public Safety officials want permission before rebroadcasting
- Poor designs can harm coverage



Public Safety DAS

- 99% coverage in critical areas include command center, elevator lobbies, and exit stairs
- 90% coverage for remaining areas
- Component enclosures in NEMA 4/4X type enclosure
- Repeater equipment shall be FCC approved and certification
- UPS requirements
 - Primary is dedicated branch circuit
 - Secondary is 12-hour battery backup
- Annual testing required for active components and system





Public Safety DAS Construction

- Build systems to meet public safety enhancement system code requirements
- Close coordination with AHJ for specific building permit requirements
- NEMA 4 or 4X rated equipment enclosures
- Installation to NEC and BICSI standards
- Parallel or combined carrier/public safety DAS system construction considerations employed during design and installation phases
 - Physical separation of carrier and public safety infrastructure
 - Cost effective cable routing and management
 - Centralized vs. localized battery back-up



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Getting AHJ approval

COORDINATION:

- Radio shop UL measurements
- Fire Marshall on-site time/ walk-test
- Access to all critical areas of building
- Alarm demonstration

TEST FOR ACCEPTANCE:

- Walk the floor and randomly test radio
- Witness alarm activation at fire alarm control panel
- Donor site radio noise floor monitoring





NextGen Wireless Trends







Future Technology Forecast

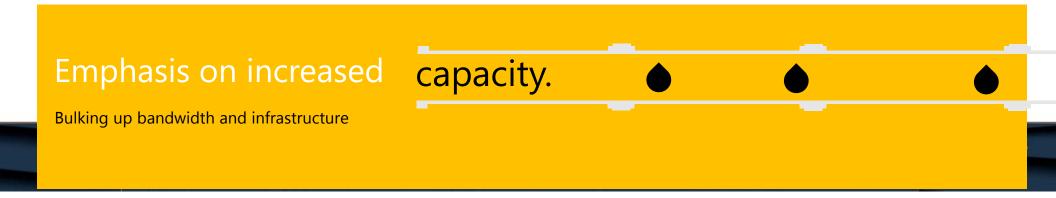


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5G

HERE TODAY HERE TOMORROW

VoLTE VoWLAN (Voice over Wireless LAN) LTE Aggregation



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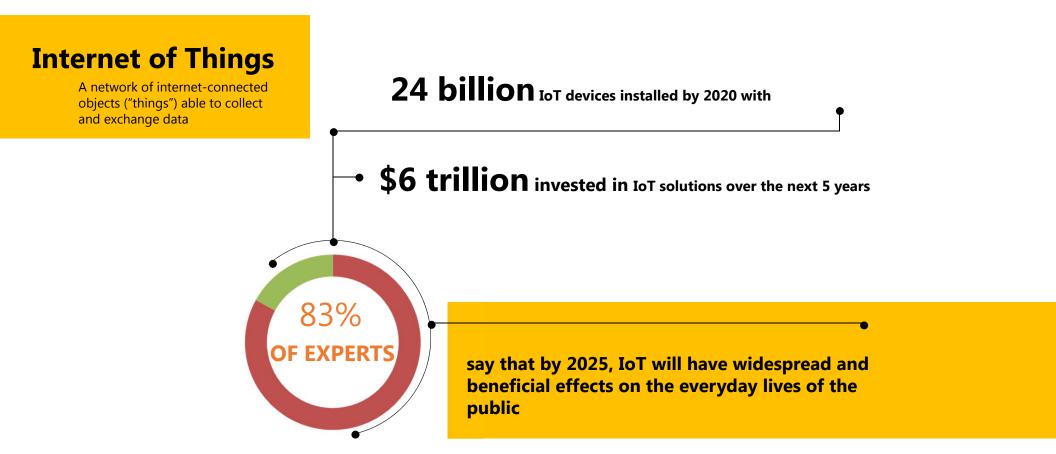
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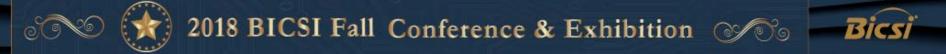
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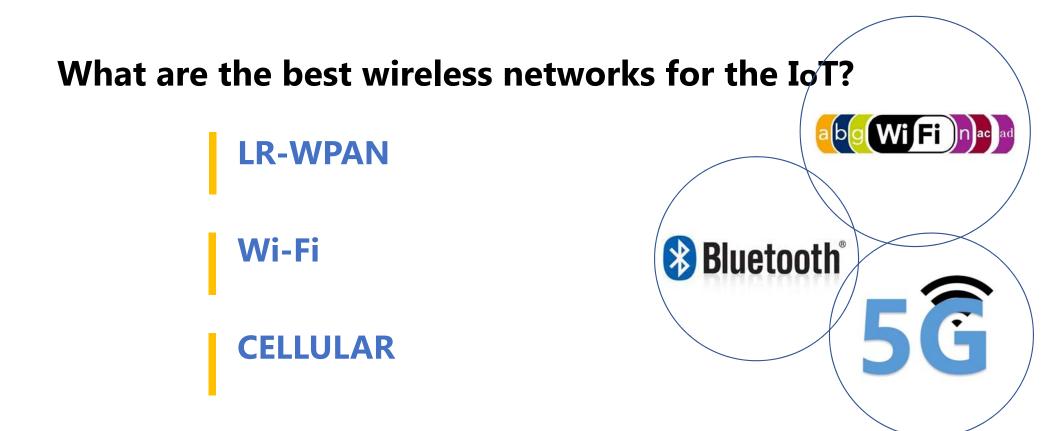
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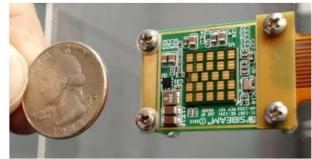


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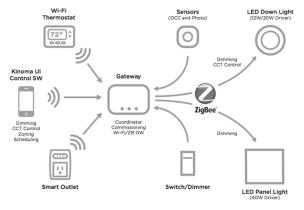
COVERAGE IN AREAS INSIDE BUILDINGS

LOW POWER, LOW SPEED, LOW COST

- Bluetooth
- Zigbee
- Zwave
- WiSun
- Near Field Communications (NFC)



ZIGBEE SMART LIGHTING REFERENCE PLATFORM







Wi-Fi Coverage in every building

 TODAY:
 802.11n and 802.11ac

 TOMORROW:
 802.11ad

- 57-64 GHz (V band)
- 1-7 GBps ('fiber like')
- 10-20 meter range





Cellular

Coverage wherever people are: inside and outside of buildings

SUPERCOMPUTER IN YOUR POCKET (4.7 HOURS PER DAY)

- Real-time language translation
- Augmented virtual reality (Oculus Rift)
- The Tricorder Project

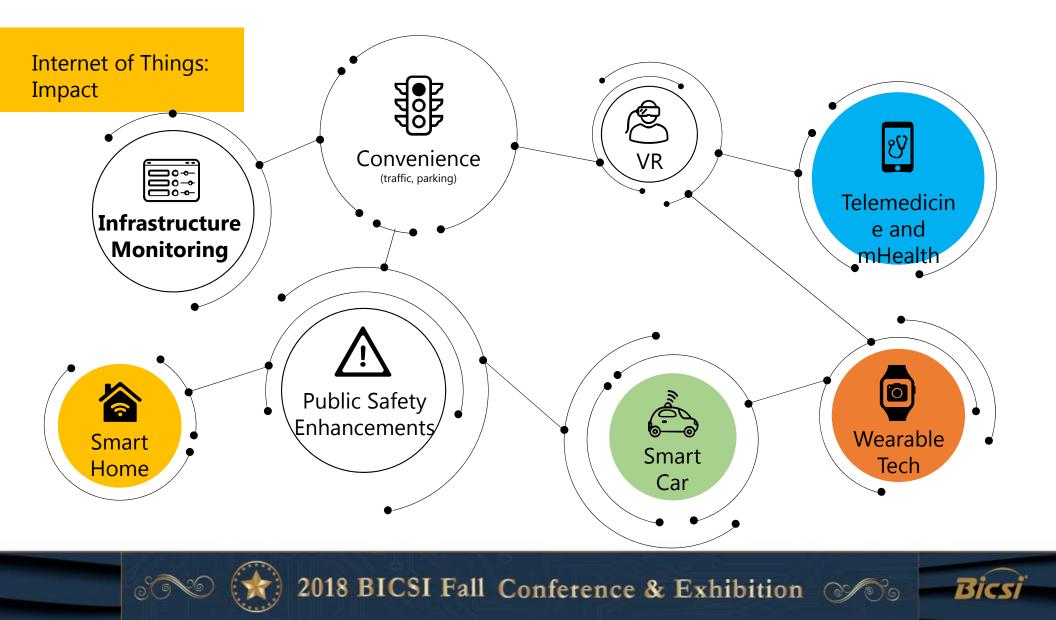
SELF-DRIVING CARS

ROBOTS AND OTHER ASSISTANT DEVICES











Not one specific technology, but a standard of service



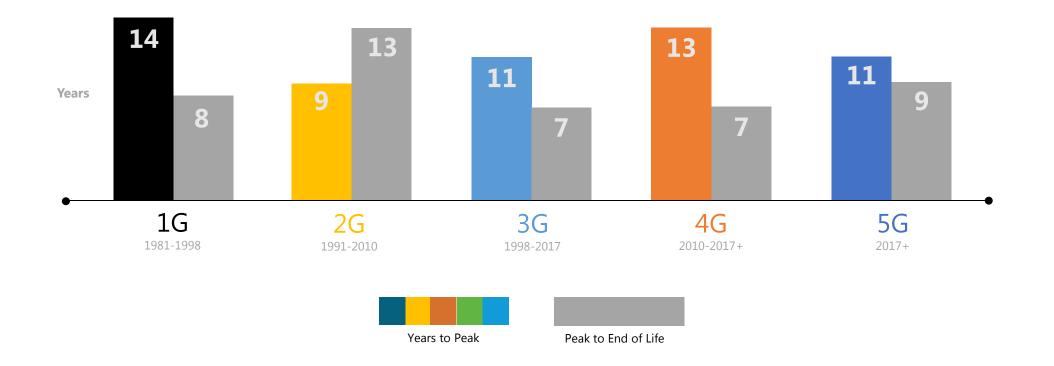








5G: A New Standard in Quality





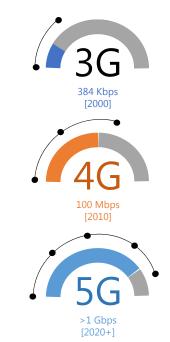
5G: A New Standard in Quality



BRINGS MORE SPEED (10 times faster)



CONNECTS MORE DEVICES (100 times more)





ALLOWS FOR A MORE RESPONSIVE NETWORK

(5 times reduced end to end network latency)





5G: What are the characteristics?

60 GHz and 70/80 GHz (millimeter wave)

BEAMFORMING (carrier aggregation, VoLTE, RCS)

SUBJECT TO RAIN FADE

(Also foliage, atmosphere)

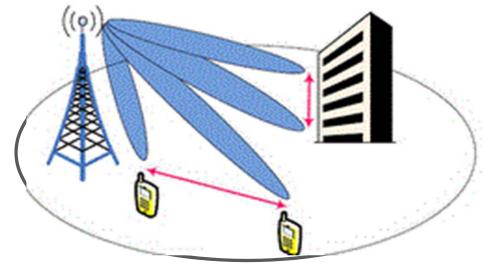
SHORT RANGE

HIGH DATA RATE (Gbps or "fiber like" speeds)

MASSIVE MIMO



Beamforming, or spatial filtering



Used to improve gain over omnidirectional

- Technique used for directional signal transmission
- Combination of elements in a <u>phased array</u> in such a way that signals at particular angles experience constructive interference and others experience destructive interference

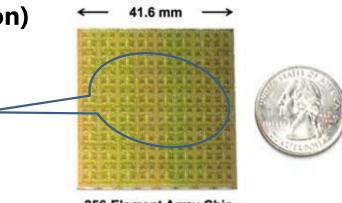


Massive Mimo

MORE ANTENNAS (up to hundreds of antennas at base station)

SAMSUNG TEST PHONE WITH 32 LOW-PROFILE ANTENNA ELEMENTS

POSSIBLY 5X THE SPECTRAL EFFICIENCY

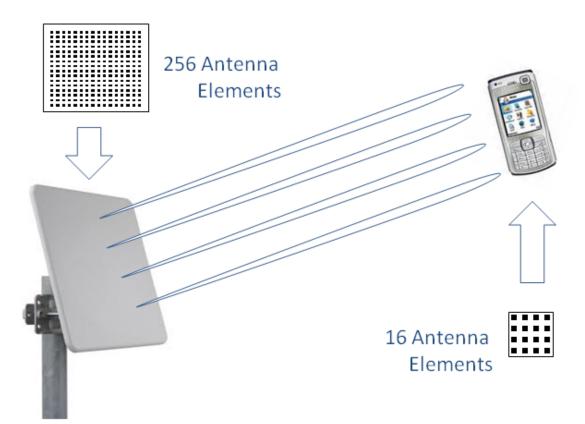


256-Element Array Chip





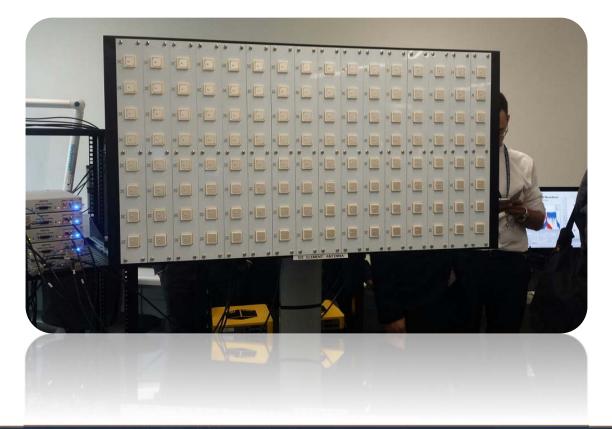








The architects are going to hate this...







5G: What Are Carries Doing?

RESEARCHING 5G

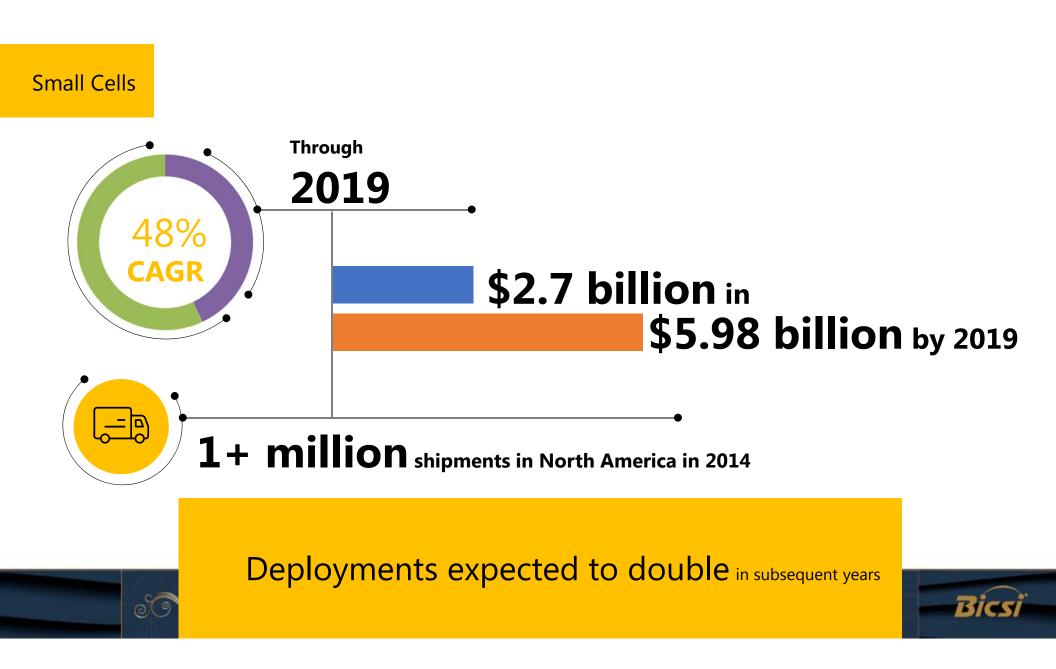
IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE (carrier aggregation, VoLTE, RCS)

EXPANDING INFRASTRUCTURE (DAS, small cell)









Small Cells: Photos









Virtual Reality Changes the way we

WORK PLAY INTERACT



Virtual Reality: The Impact

SOCIALIZED ONLINE WORK / TEACHING ENVIRONMENTS VIRTUALDATING

CULTURAL IMERSION EXPERIENCES /TRAVEL

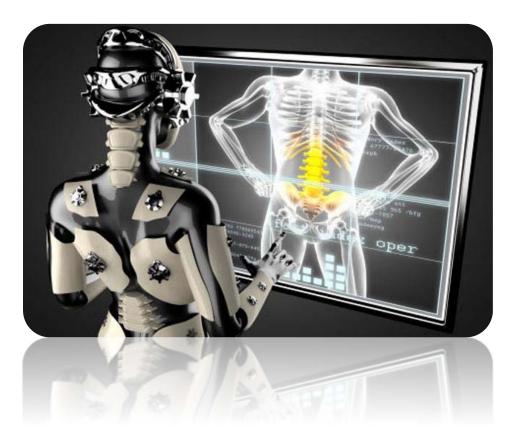
TRAINING SIMULATIONS







The Tactile Internet Waaaaay out there...the tactile internet

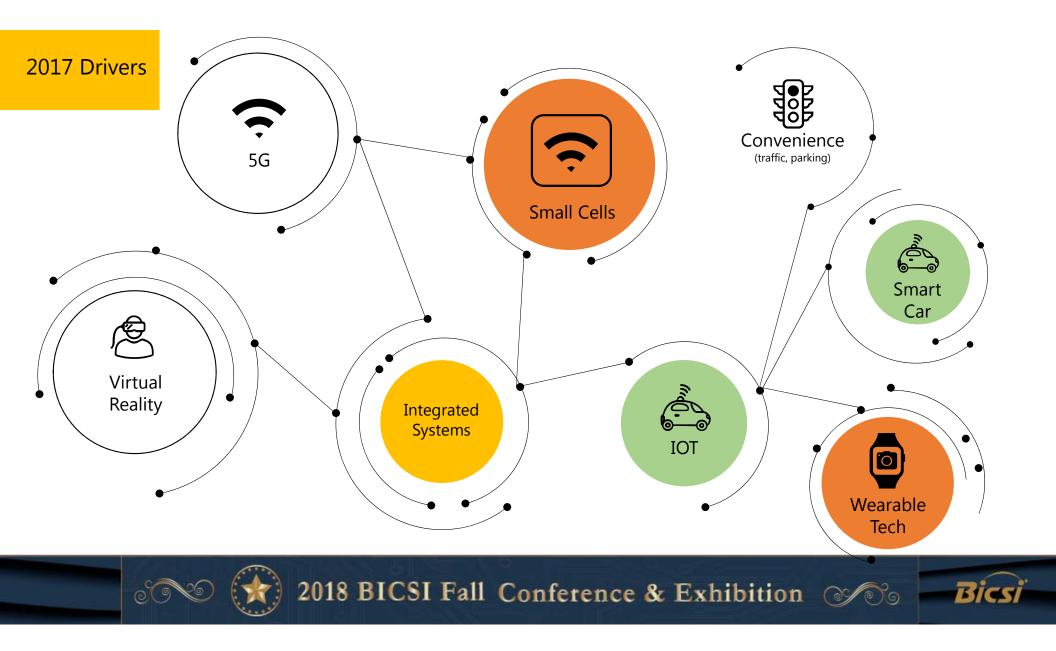












The Problem

less about COVERAGE

more about CAPACITY

One Simple Solution



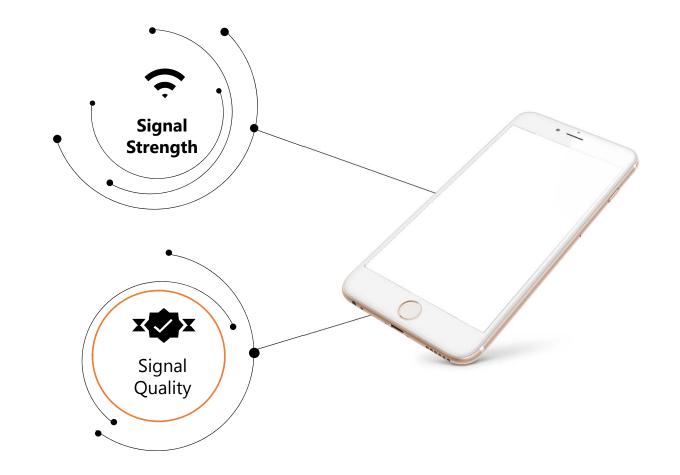


NextGen Wireless Solutions

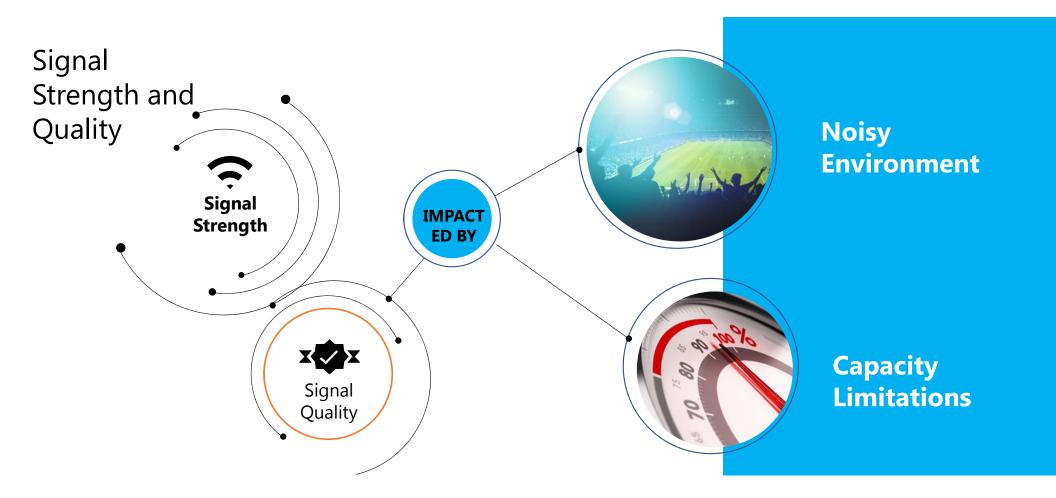




So, why doesn't my phone work?







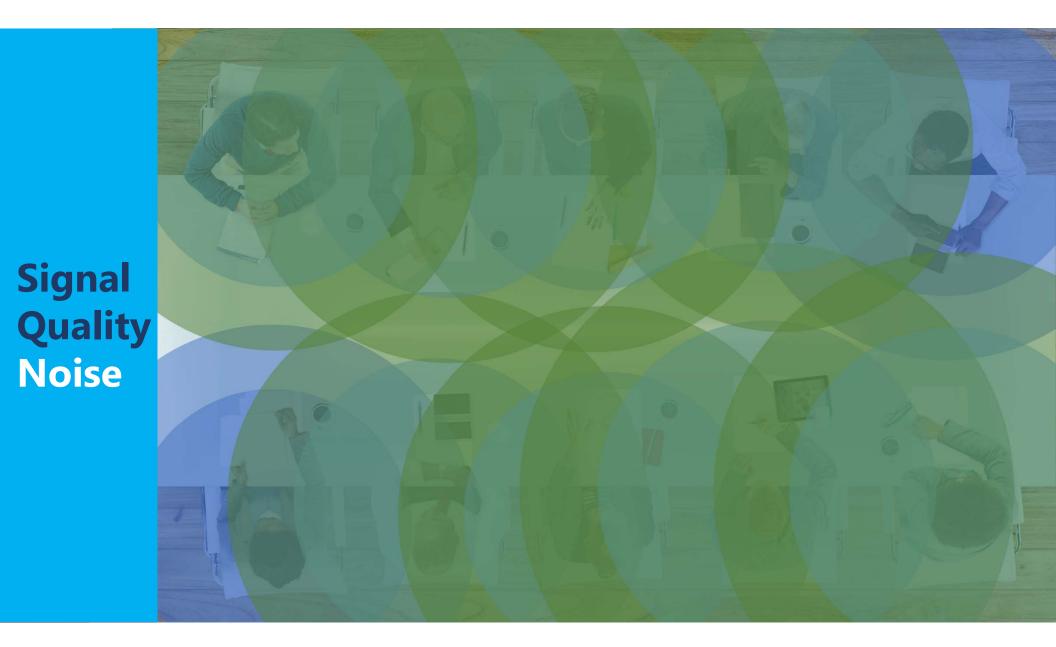




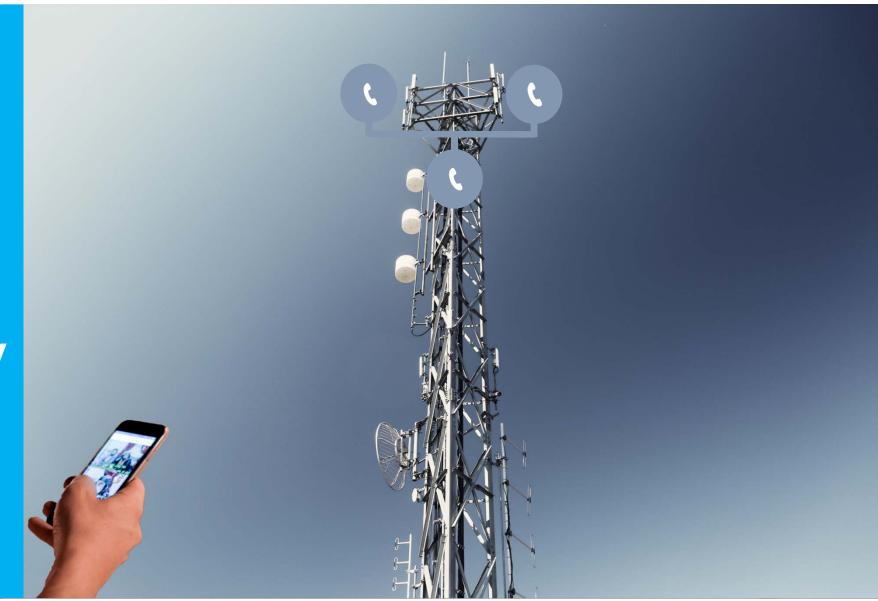


Signal Quality Noise





















Challenges for high-rise buildings LOW E WINDOWS (great for energy, bad for RF)

BASEMENTS, MECHANICAL AREAS, CONCRETE WALLS

BUILDINGS IN-BETWEEN YOUR PHONE AND THE SERVICE (often called a line-of-sight, or los, issue)

HIGH-RISE OFFICES OFTEN TOO FAR AWAY FROM THE TOWER TO COMMUNICATE

TOO MANY NEARBY MACRO TOWERS WITHOUT A DOMINANT SIGNAL

TOO MANY PEOPLE TRYING TO USE THE SAME SIGNAL

NOISY ENVIRONMENTS (pim, external interference, etc.)





Network Improvements: What Are Carries Doing About It?

CARRIERS IMPROVE THEIR MACRO INFRASTRUCTURE AND FOOTPRINT

CARRIERS CAN BETTER UTILIZE THE INFRASTRUCTURE THEY ALREADY OWN







A properly designed, installed, commissioned, and maintained DAS solves

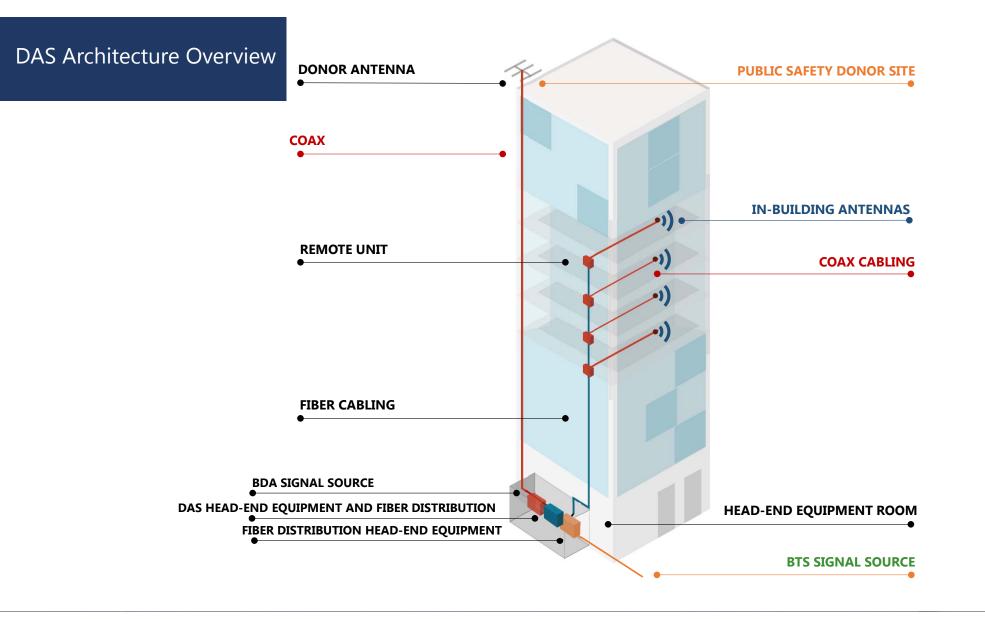
commissioned, and maintained DAS solves every Signal Strength and Signal Quality issue.

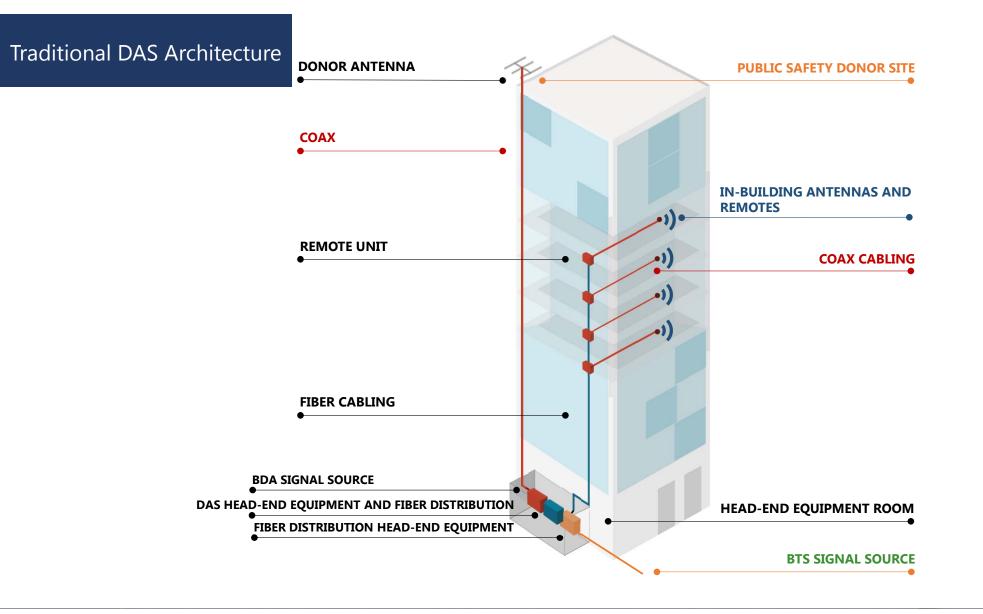
CLEAN, CLEAR COMMUNICATION TO THE SOURCE.

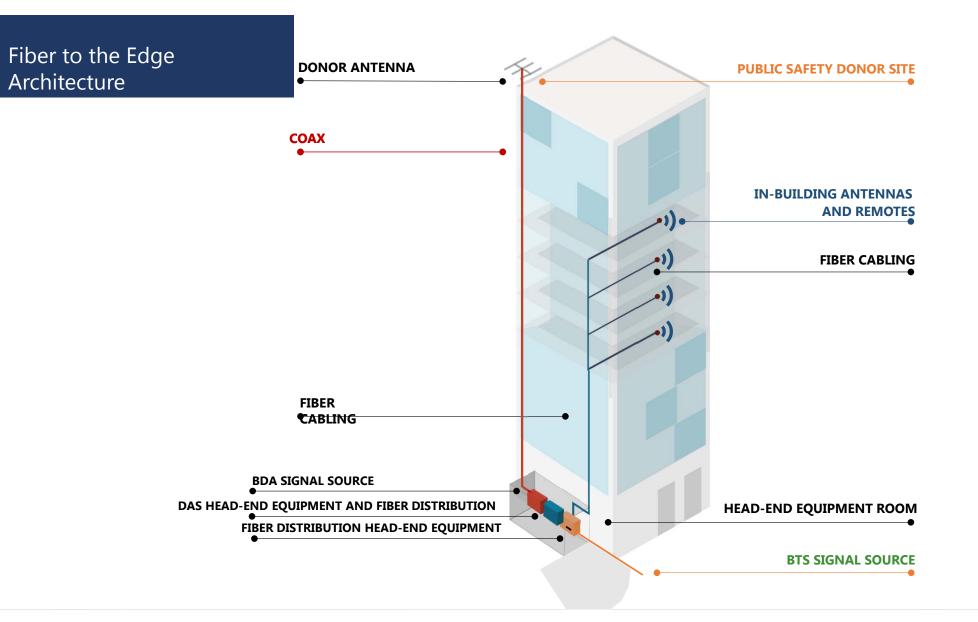
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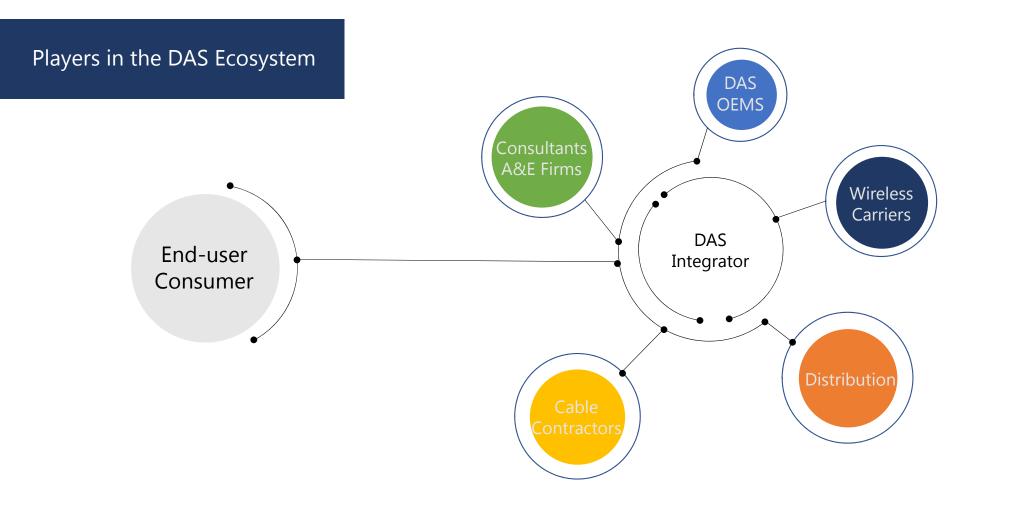




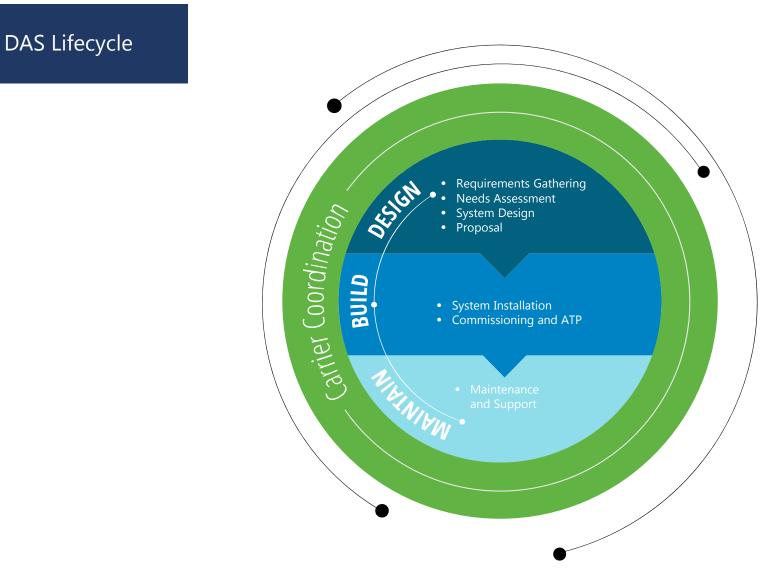












Benchmark Data Collection

Collecting and Recording Carrier Data Helps With

CARRIER NEGOTIATIONS

PROPER DESIGN





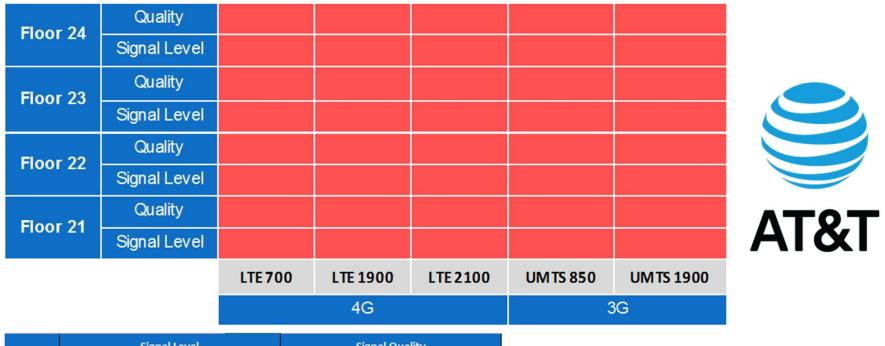
Benchmark Data Collection

RSRP (dBm)

< -95 (3336 - 62.96%)
-95 to -90 (892 - 16.83%)
-90 to -85 (411 - 7.76%)
-85 to -80 (256 - 4.83%)
-80 to -75 (170 - 3.21%)
-75 to -70 (117 - 2.21%)
-70 to -65 (93 - 1.76%)
-65 to -60 (24 - 0.45%)
-60 to -55 (0 - 0.00%)
>55 to -50 (0 - 0.00%)



Benchmark Data Collection



	Signal Level	Signal Quality
Good	Majority of Coverage Area -85dBm or better	-10dB or better
Marginal	Majority of Coverage Area between -85dBm and -95dBm	Between -10dB and -14dB
Poor	Majority of Coverage Area -95dBm or less	-14dB or less

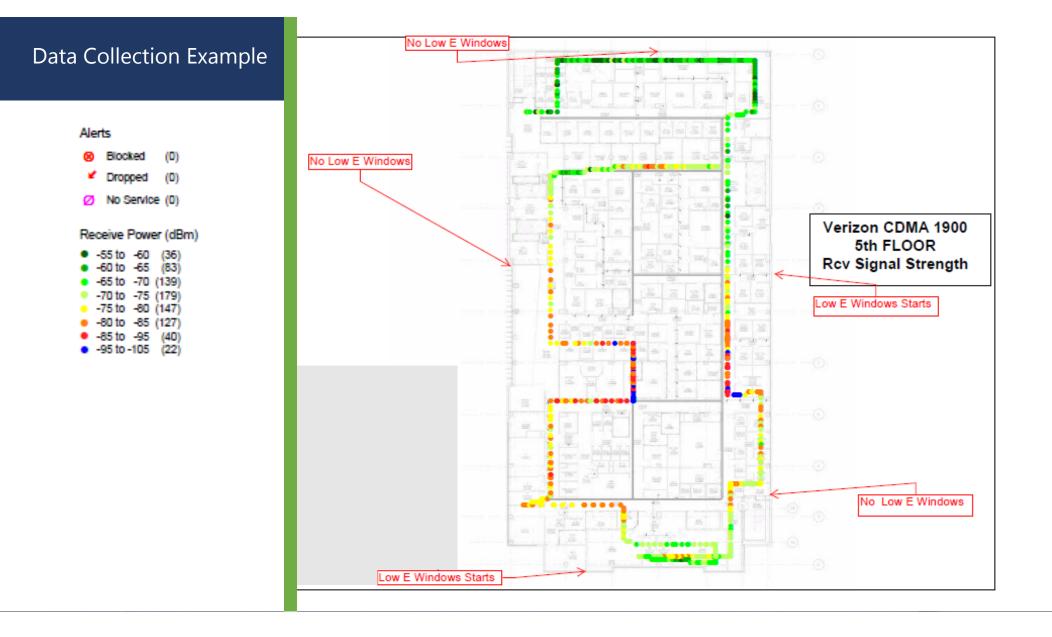


Collecting and Recording the Characteristics of the Facility Helps With

PROPER DESIGN







Carrier Coordination

Site Survey

OBJECTIVE

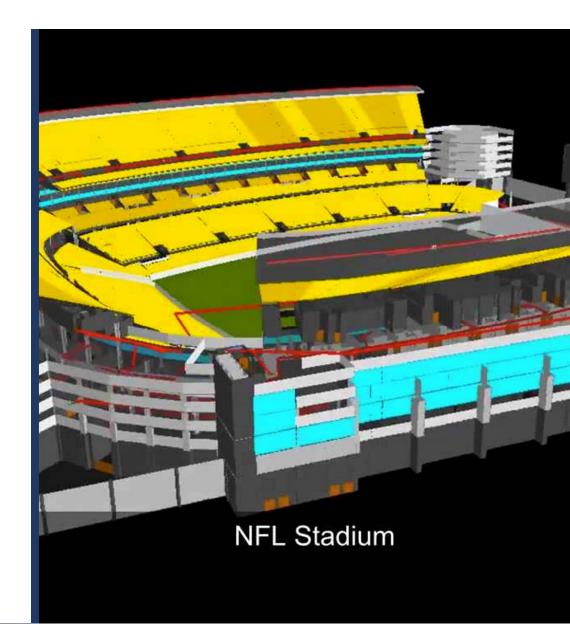
To ensure that the system can be constructed per the specifications of the design and to help determine additional value engineering specifics. RF OBSTACLES INTERIOR WALL MATERIALS CEILING HEIGHTS AND TYPES PURPOSE OF BUILDING VERTICAL CHASES

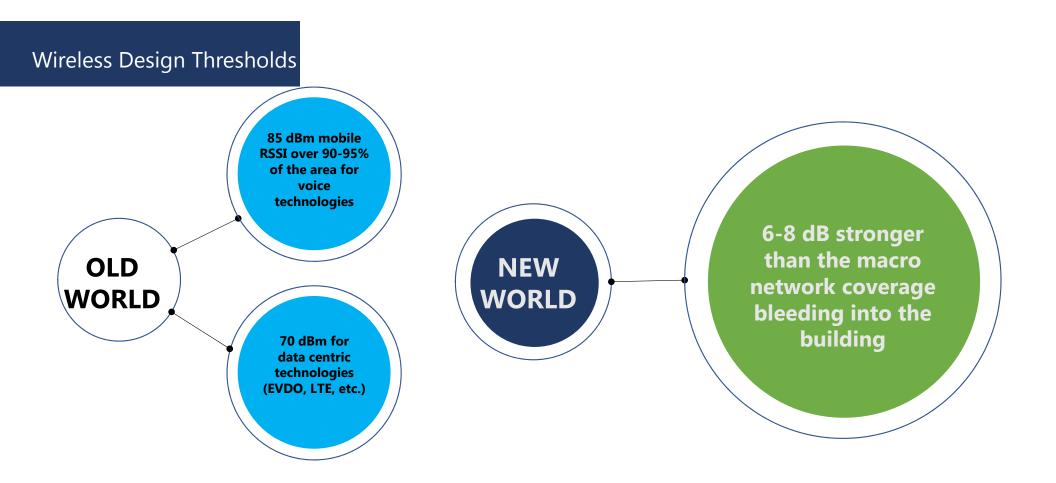




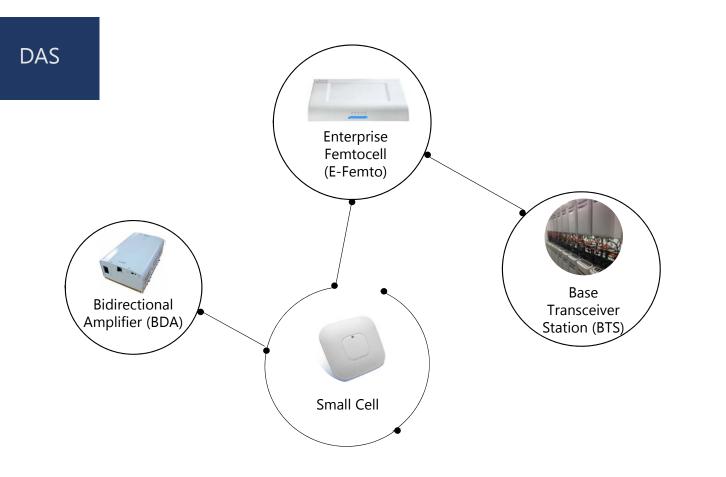
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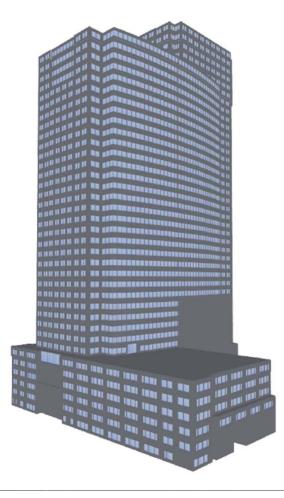


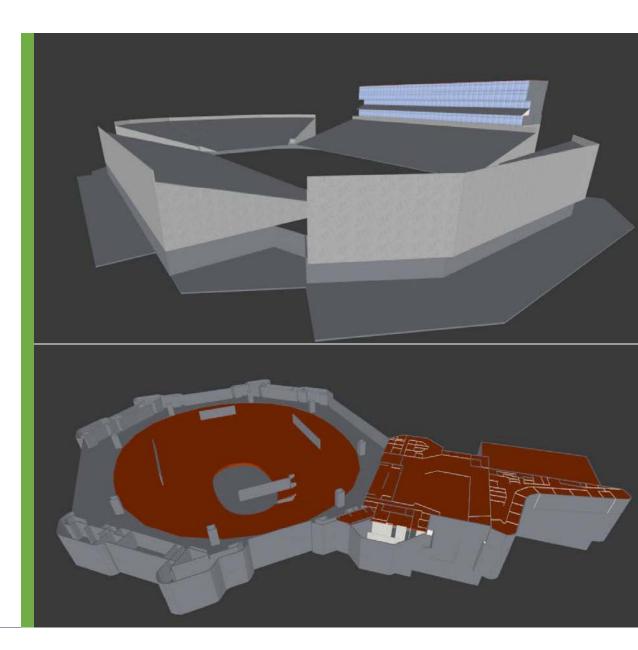


RF Sources – What am I going to connect to the DAS?



Design: 3D Modeling

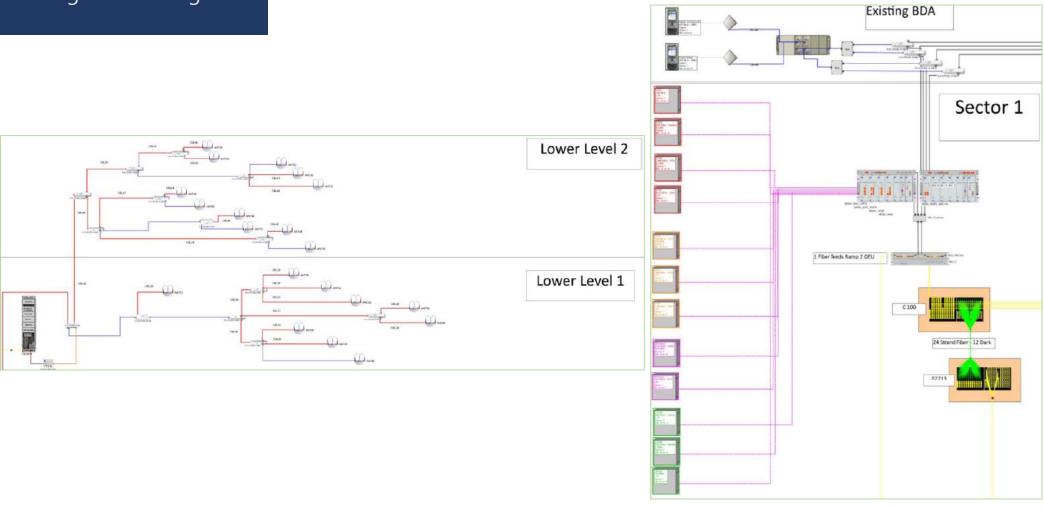




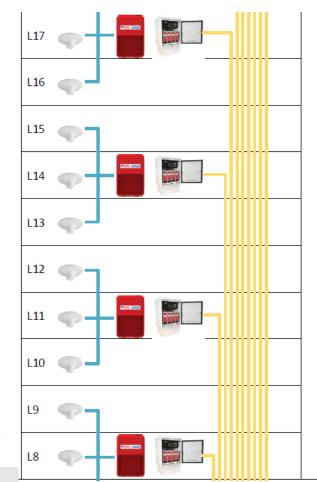
Design: Antenna Layouts

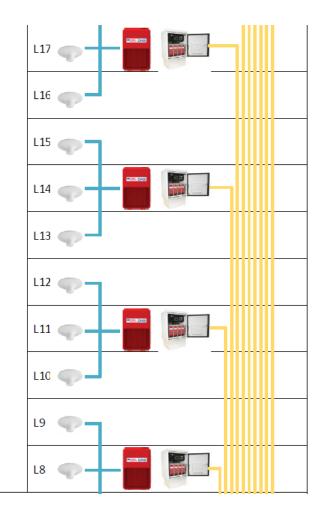


Design: Riser Diagrams



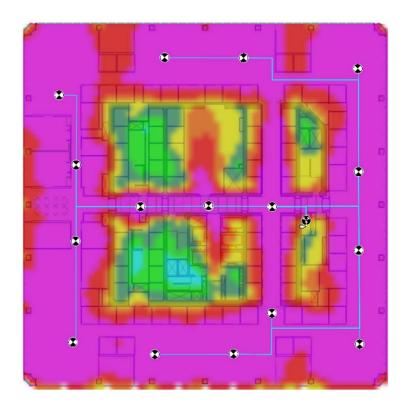
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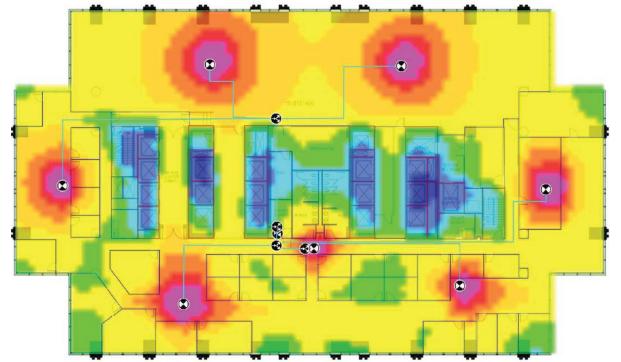




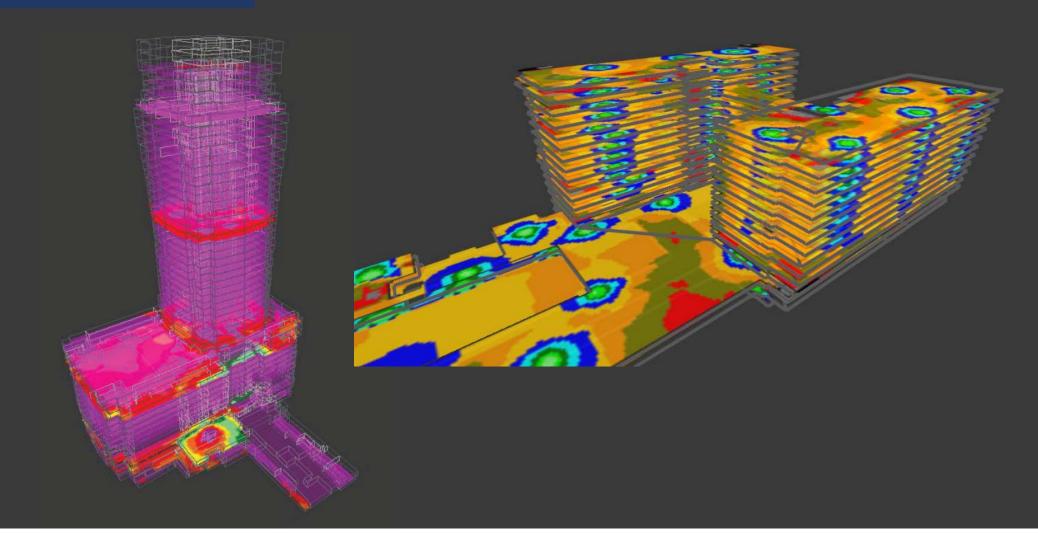
Tower	IDF's	Fiber Strands	Notes
1	16	32	Includes IDF in the Podium and 49th Floor for BDA
2	10	20	No IDF in the Podium
3	12	24	Includes IDF in Podium
otal	38	76	

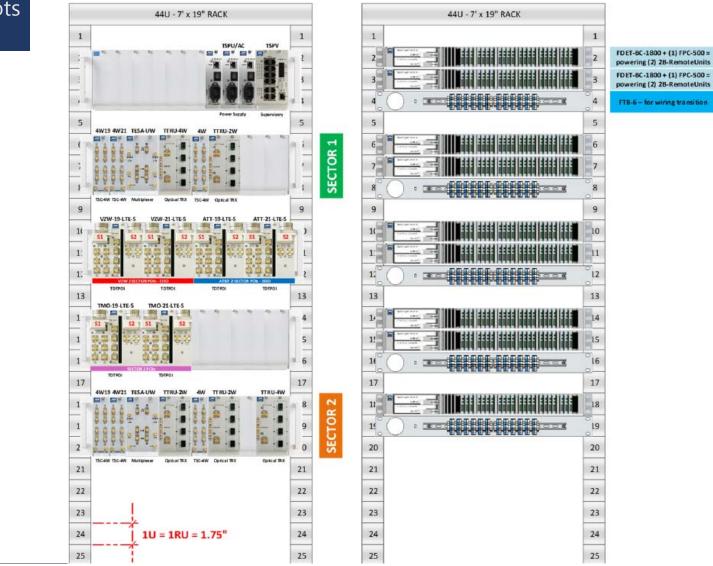
Design: Prediction Plots





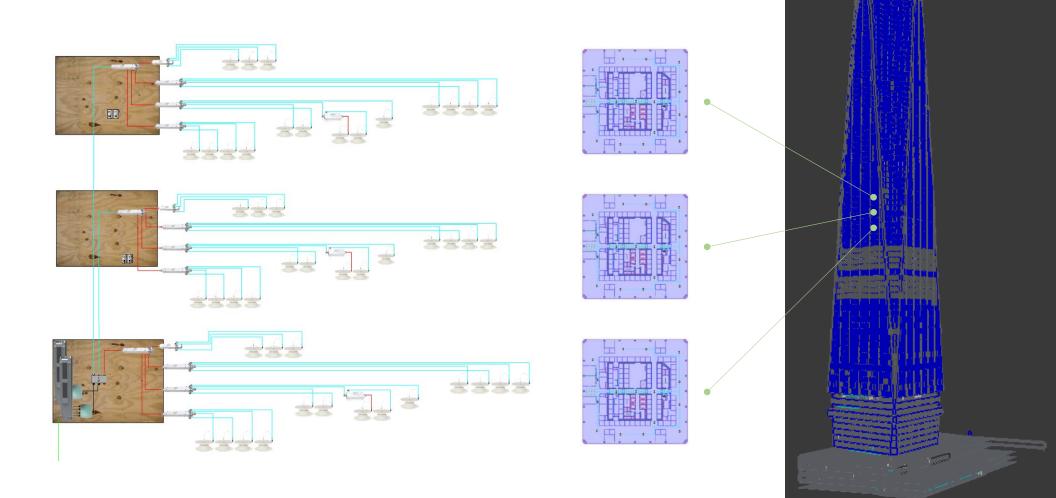




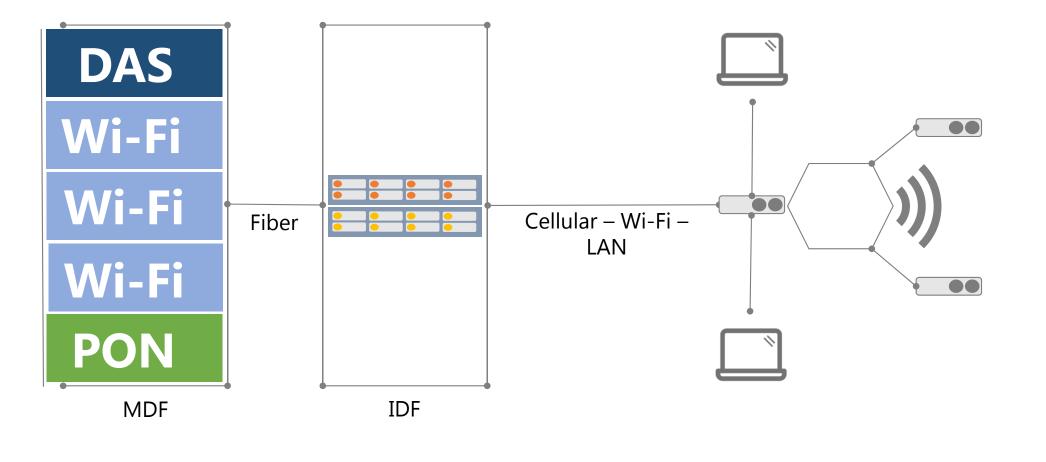


Design: Prediction Plots

Design: Piecing It All Together



Design: Converged Networks

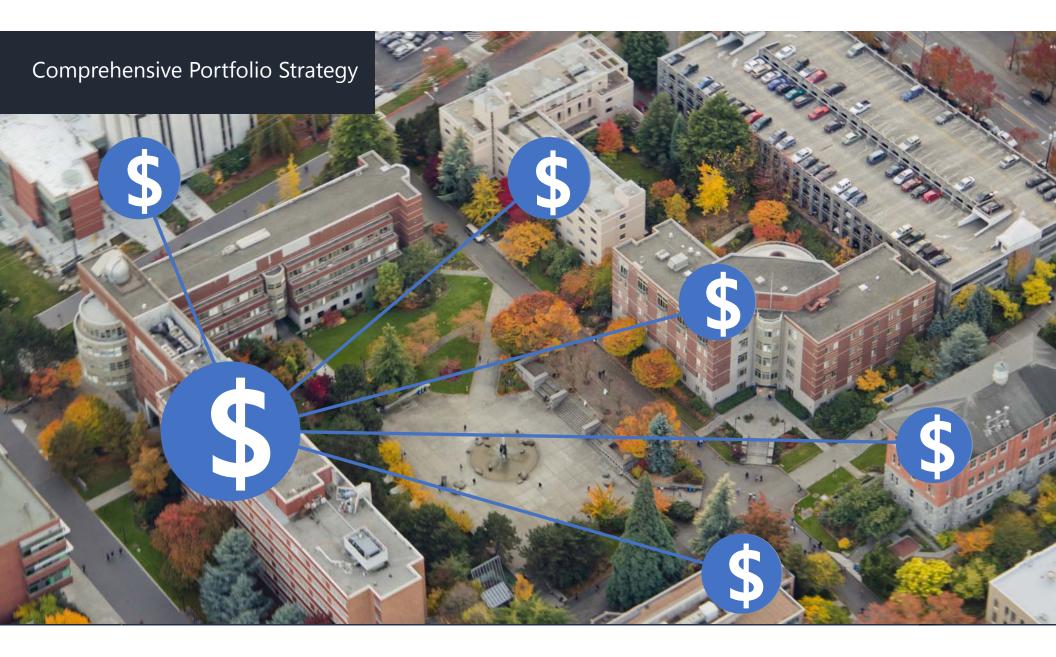


Design: The Value of Convergence









DAS Installation

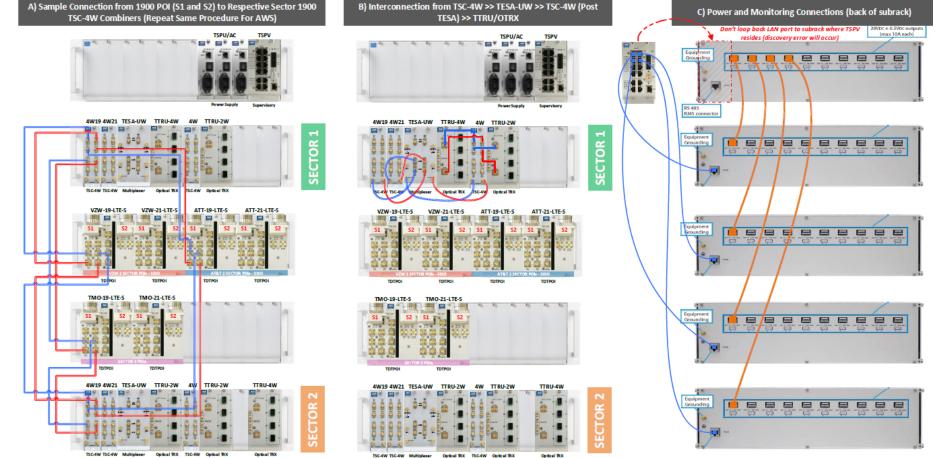
IN-HOUSE TEAM OR DIRECT MANAGEMENT **ON-SITE CONSTRUCTION** MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONALISM **DETAILED DOCUMENTATION FOR EACH PROJECT STRATEGIC INSTALLATION APPROACH**

SWEEP, PIM AND OTDR STANDARDS

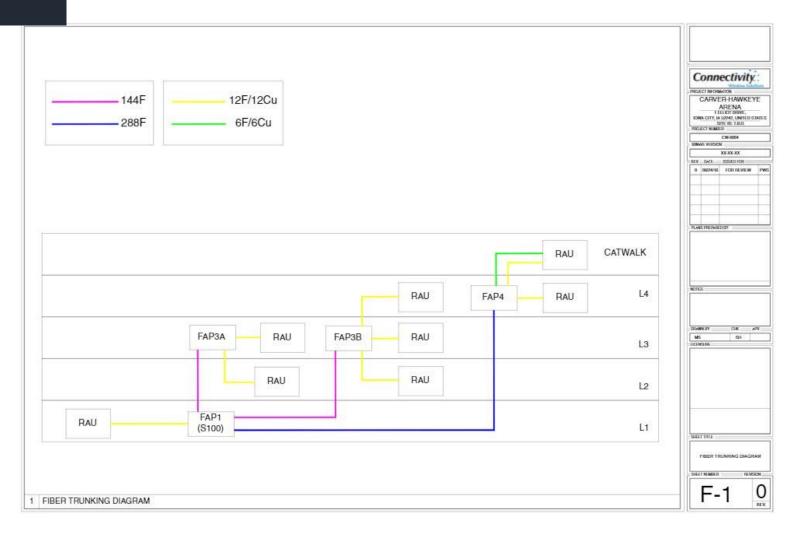




Installation Documentation







Installation Components



BASE STATIONS

Head-end radio equipment, provided by the wireless carriers, that provides the RF signal source to drive the DAS



FIBER HEAD-END

Converts the RF signal to RF-over-fiber (RFoF), then transmits the signal via single-mode fiber-optic cable to the fiber remote unit



MULTI-BAND REMOTE UNIT Converts the RFoF transmission back to an RF signal, which is then transmitted down coax cable to the coverage antenna



Transports the converted RF signals from

FIBER OPTIC CABLE

the head-end equipment to the remote units

PLENUM CABLE

Transports the RF signals from the fiber remote unit—to the coverage antenna

SPLITTER

Splits the RF signals, which is then delivered to multiple inputs/elements

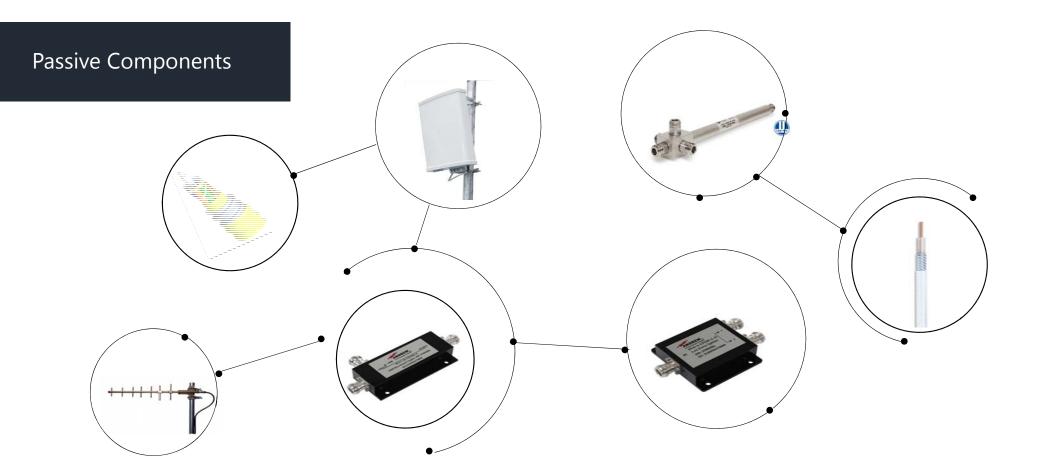


COVERAGE ANTENNAS

emits multi-band RF signals to the coverage area



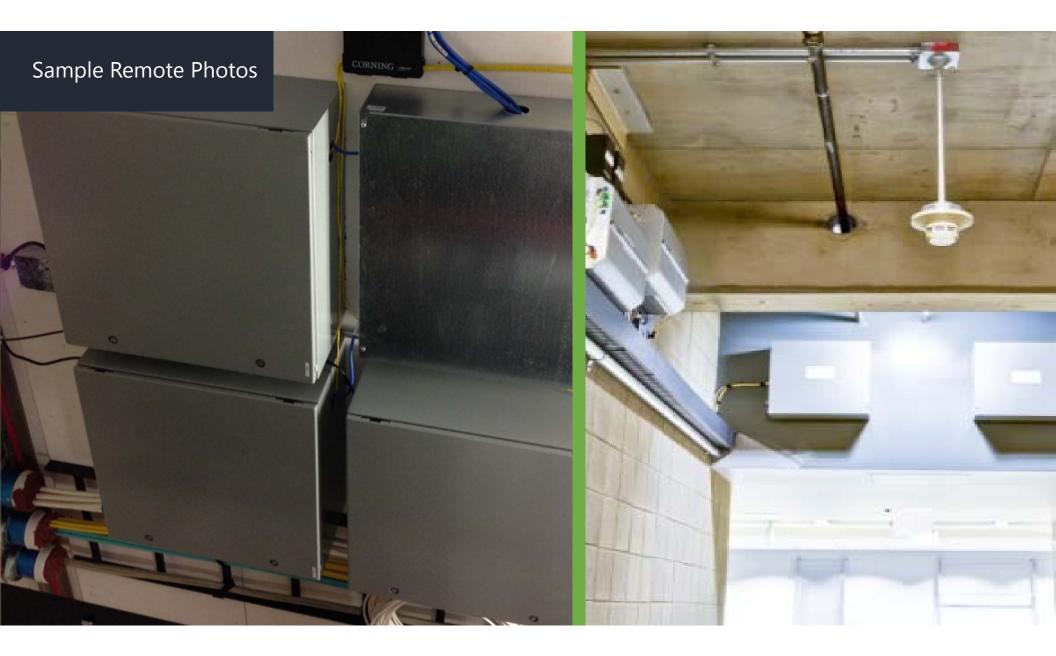


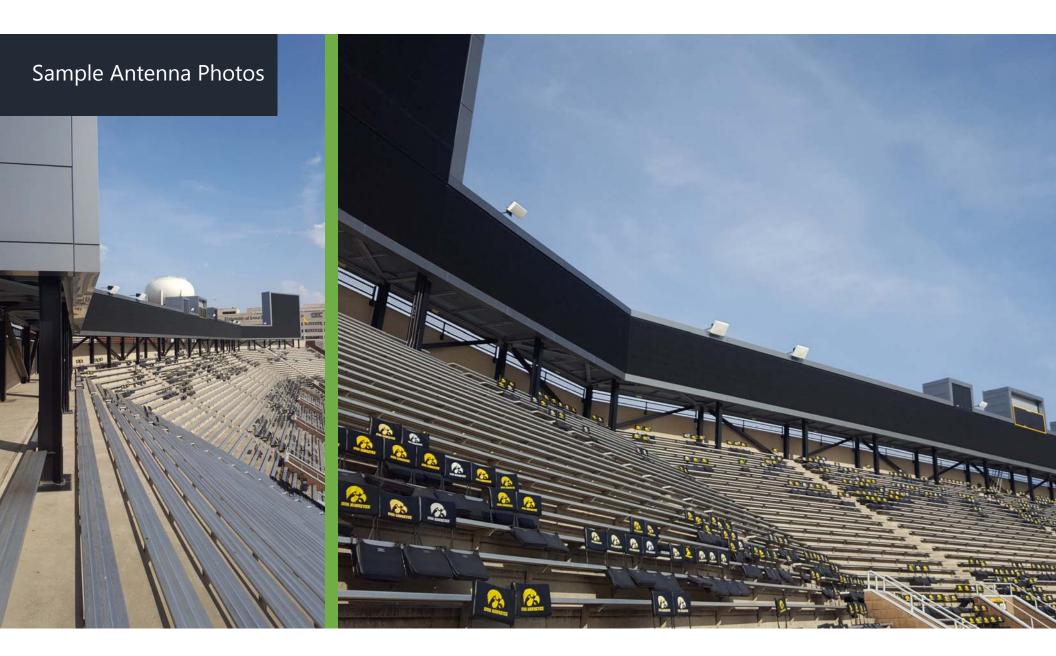


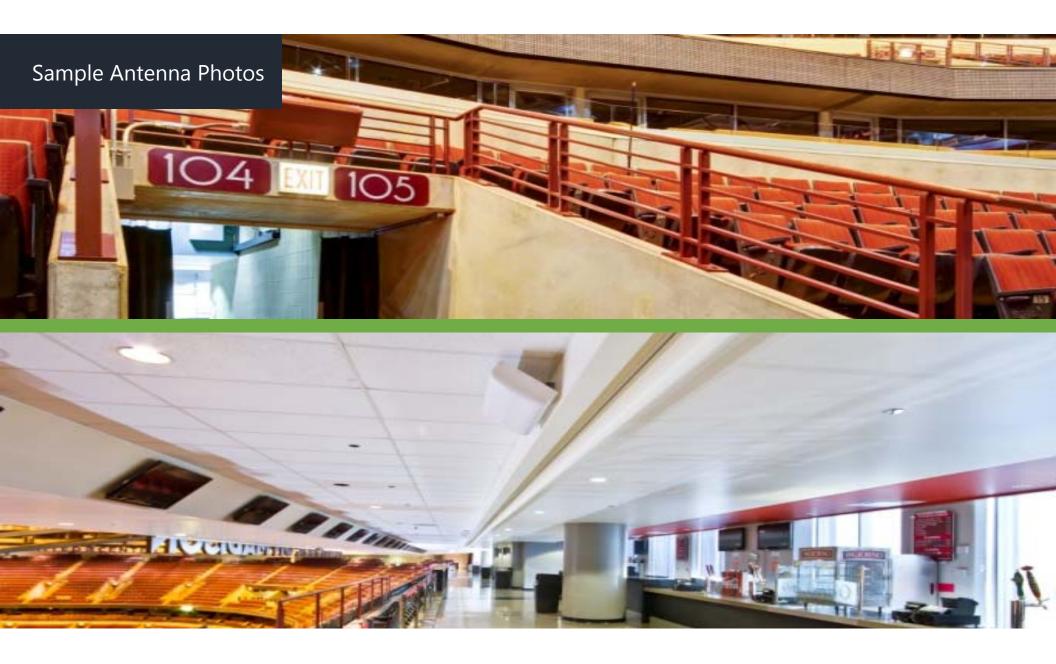


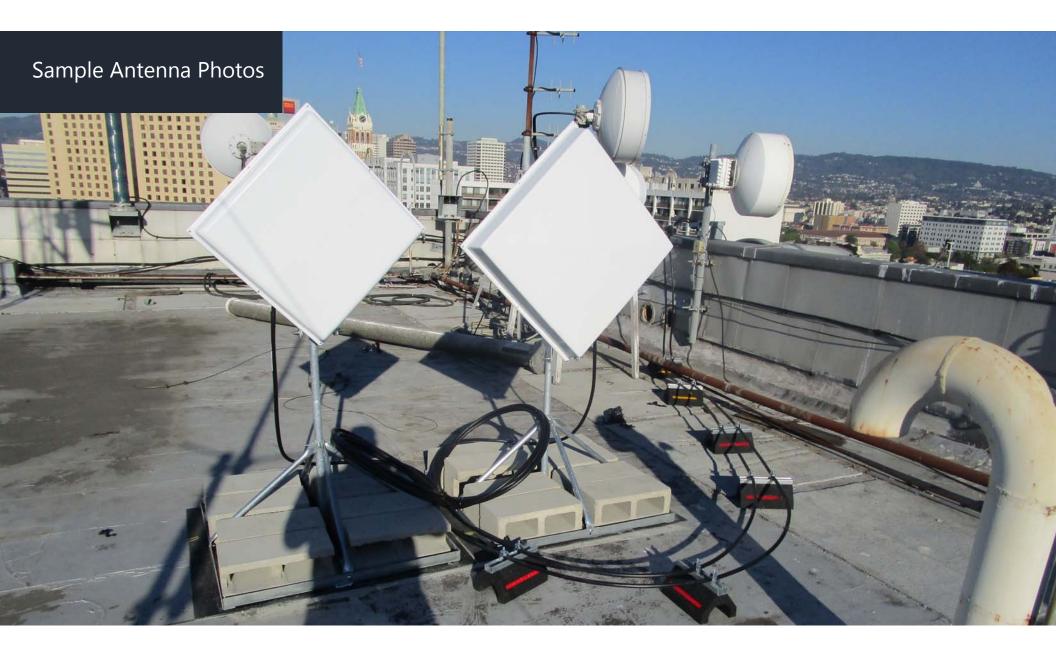












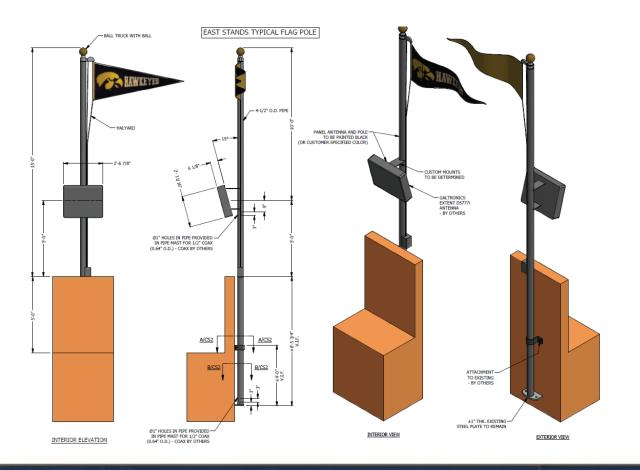














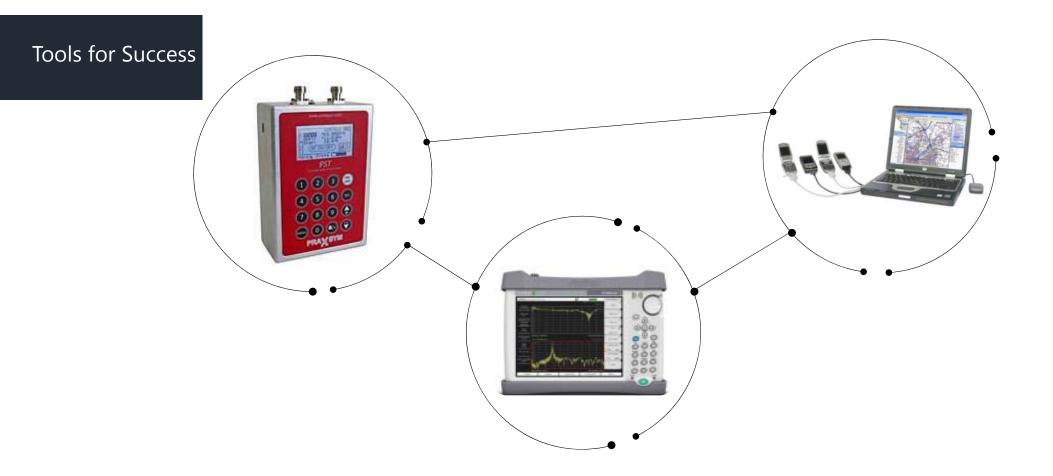


Commissioning is generally defined as the industry approved process and methodology of systematically verifying that the:

- System was installed correctly according to the design
- Active and passive components are functioning according to factory specification
- Link budget and associated DAS power metric performance matches the design specifications
- Intended carrier signals are integrated onto the DAS according to design and are done so within optimum equipment parameters
- Intended carrier signals are optimized to the systems optimum performance metrics, as determined by the design







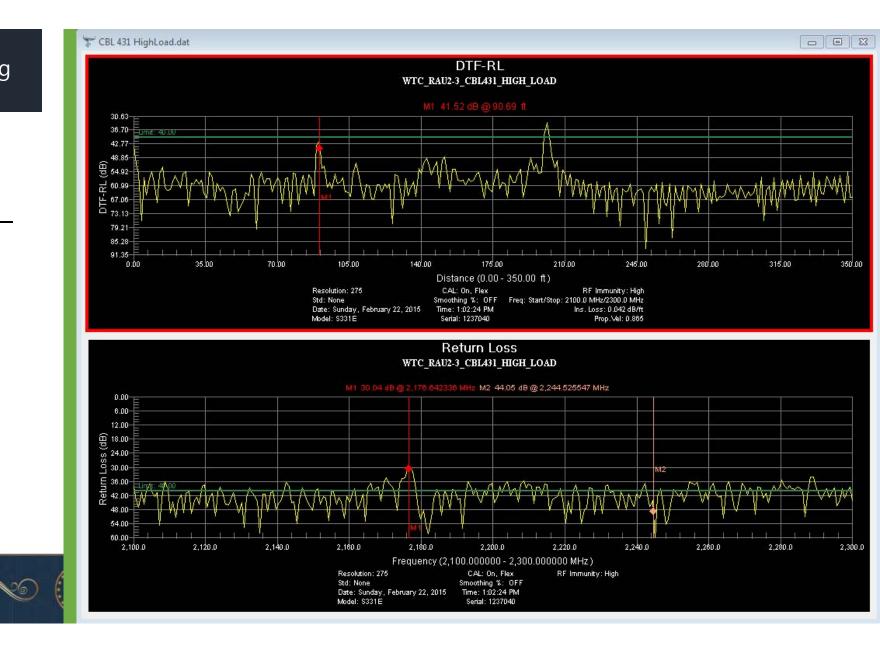


Data Processing

SWEEPS – RL/DTF

PIM

FIBER



Data Processing: P

What is PIM?

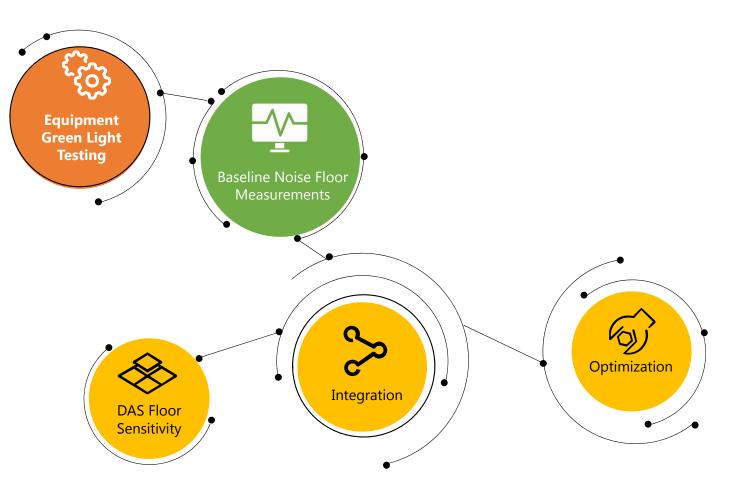


PIM Passive Intermodulation exists when two or more signals are present in a passive device that exhibits nonlinear response











Head End Planning

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE HEADEND (MDF).





Head End Room: Requirements

SPACE FOR WIRELESS CARRIER BASE TRANSCEIVER STATIONS (BTS) – SINGLE SECTOR

- 200 square feet per wireless carrier
- 800 to 1,000 square feet to accommodate all carriers
- Typically utilize existing MDF, but rooms can be retrofit to accommodate head end equipment

POWER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE HEAD-END ROOM

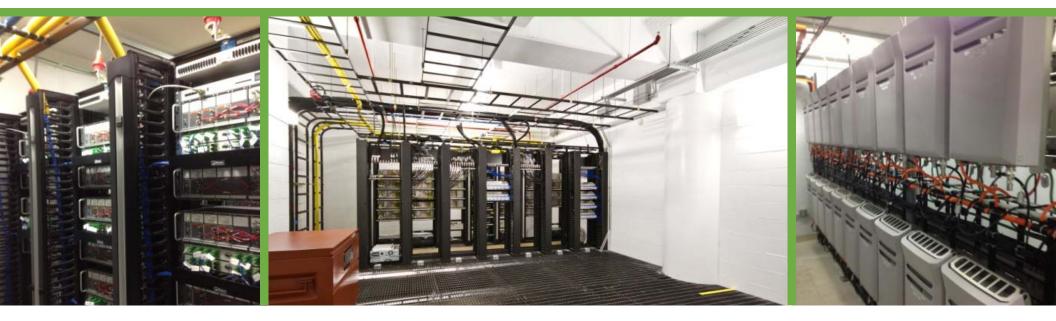
• 100 Amps 208 VAC three phase per carrier

ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE HEAD-END

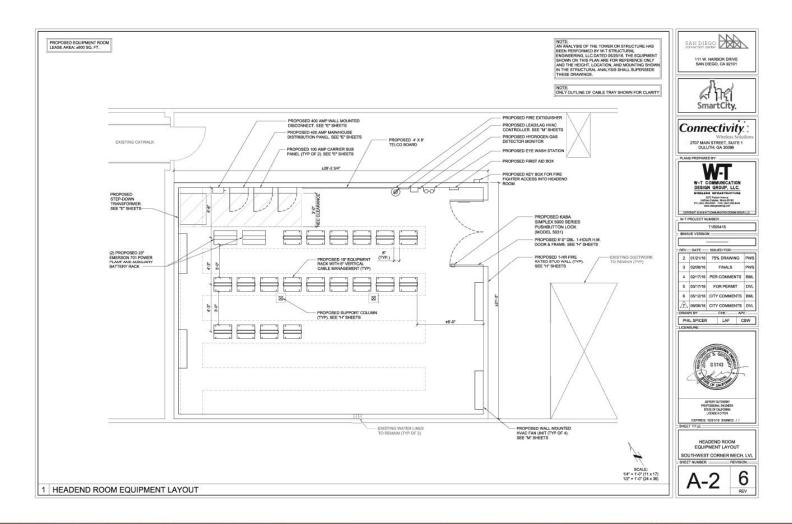
• 2 tons HVAC per wireless carrier

Floor Loading

• 125 PSF for BTS equipment

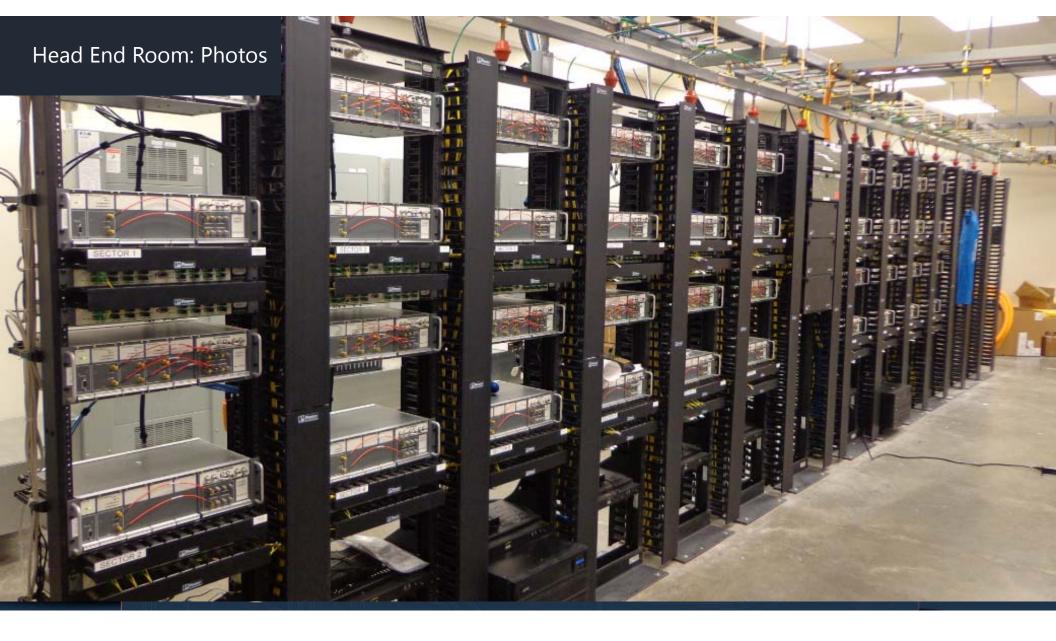


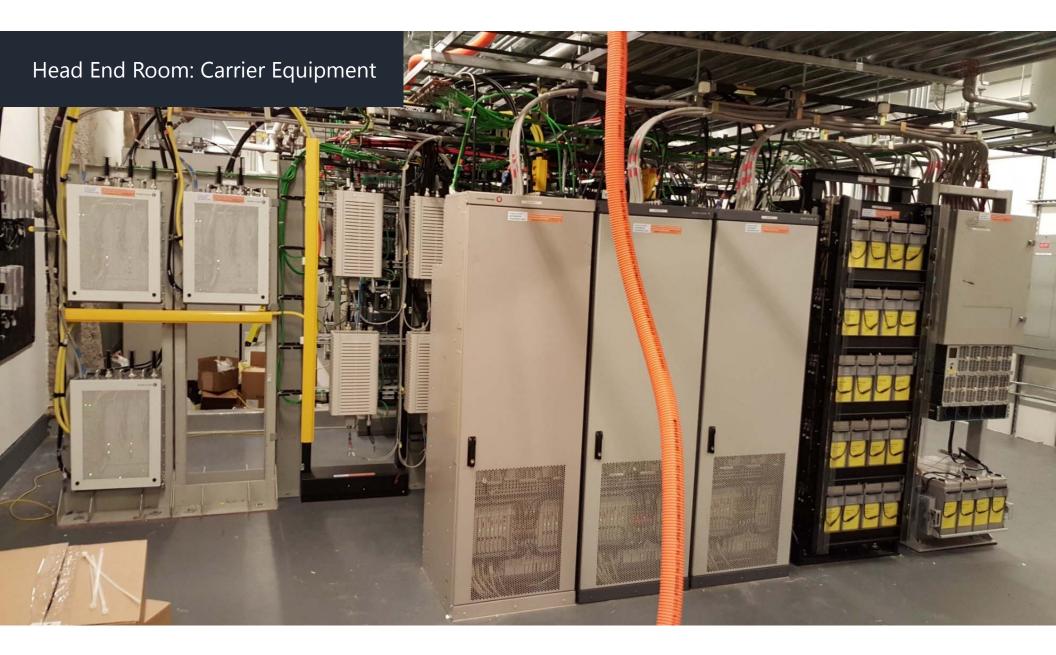
Head End Room: A&E Drawings

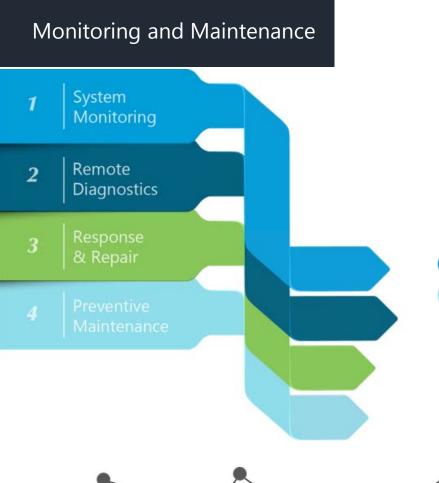












ConnectProtect

Complex systems require maintenance and preventative checkups to ensure longevity and optimal functionality.

Carriers & Case Studies



Ownership Models

Carrier

100% FUNDED AND OPERATED BY

Typically single carrier

Carriers may form consortium

Neutral-host model seldom materializes

Neutral Host

100% FUNDED AND OPERATED BY **Independent third party** (i.e., tower company)

Owner leases space back to the carriers

Neutral-host

Carrier participation is affected by cost model

Enterprise

OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY Enterprise

Deployed and operated by DAS integrator

Enterprise can operate as neutral host provider

Multi-carrier funding available **Ownership Models**

Carrier

PROS

Free is good

No maintenance or operational issues

Coverage-issue solved for those with that specific carrier

CONS

Very challenging for other carriers to join the system

Pricing barriers

Technical barriers

Neutral Host

PROS

Free is good

No maintenance or operational issues

Neutral means that any/ all carriers can join system

Possible revenue share

CONS

'Anchor carrier' model puts unfair burden on 1st carrier to join- delays process of implementation

Heavy fee/ finance/ mark-up on top of the system costs can make deal unattractive to carriers

Customer cannot touch systemunable to control upgrades/ enhancements/ related fiber infrastructure

Enterprise

PROS

Neutral system that any/ all carriers can join

Customer owns and control technology and infrastructure, in same way they do with structured cabling, network equipment, security, A-V, etc.

Leverage of system and infrastructure (fiber) for Wi-Fi

When structured correctly- system can be funded by carriers

CONS

Potential gaps between cost of system and funding by carriers

FCC released a new order for use of Enterprise DAS amplifiers:

FEBRUARY 20TH, 2013, FCC REPORT AND ORDER 13-21

Maintains that signal boosters require an FCC license or express licensee consent to install in commercial and industrial space.

The authorization process ensures that devices are operated only by licensees or with licensee consent and are adequately labeled to avoid misuse by consumers.





Wireless carrier coordination is **Critica** to the success of any DAS project

CarrierConnect™

Wireless Carrier Coordination Methodology



Case Study

KINNICK STADIUM

University of Iowa

CUSTOMER CHALLENGE:

- Historic Kinnick Stadium of the University of Iowa was challenged to provide reliable wireless and data throughput speeds to fans during events.
- Strict aesthetic requirements coupled with the need for ubiquitous, robust coverage to meet the 70,000 maximum capacity requirements for multiple carriers.

CONNECTIVITY'S SOLUTION:

- Designed a 23 zone, neutral-host, 'fiber to the edge' Corning ONE DAS for the university.
- DAS designed for dominance for all wireless carriers, supporting the technology and frequency bands owned in the market today with infrastructure to allow for future upgrades.

RESULT:

- Installed and concealed 180 antennas, 360 remotes, and 58,000 ft. of fiber/composite cable.
 Allowing for excellent coverage while adhering to uncompromising aesthetic requirements.
- DAS network provides ubiquitous coverage to fans inside the facility servicing a total of 700,000 square feet.







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HAWKEYE – CARVER ARENA

University of Iowa

CUSTOMER CHALLENGE:

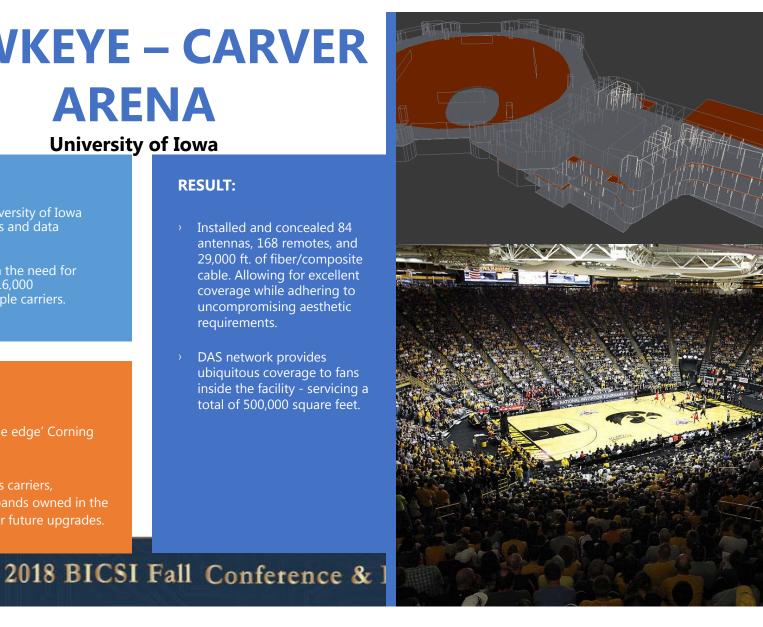
- Historic Carver-Hawkeve Arena of the University of Iowa was challenged to provide reliable wireless and data throughput speeds to fans during events.
- Strict aesthetic requirements coupled with the need for ubiguitous, robust coverage to meet the 16,000 maximum capacity requirements for multiple carriers.

CONNECTIVITY'S SOLUTION:

- ONE DAS for the university.
- DAS designed for dominance for all wireless carriers, supporting the technology and frequency bands owned in the market today with infrastructure to allow for future upgrades.

RESULT:

- Installed and concealed 84 antennas, 168 remotes, and 29,000 ft. of fiber/composite cable. Allowing for excellent coverage while adhering to uncompromising aesthetic requirements.
- DAS network provides ubiguitous coverage to fans inside the facility - servicing a total of 500,000 square feet.







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