Wireless Video: The Applications, the Challenges, and the Way Forward

Abstract:

We examine the projected exponential growth in wireless video through 2017. It is suggested that streaming video is not the only application of interest, and that due to changes in network usage and in technologies, perhaps the growth in wireless video is not as daunting as it appears at first blush. Advances in digital cellular standards are highlighted, but it is cautioned that when the Base Station (NodeB or eNodeB) is involved, expectations for cooperation should be lowered. Three rules for improving wireless video performance and efficiency are illustrated with specific technical examples, and the next new challenge in wireless video is defined. The three principal take-aways from the talk are that it is necessary to understand the full technology chain to provide a solution, more than one solution should be provided, and the solutions should not be too disruptive to gain traction.

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