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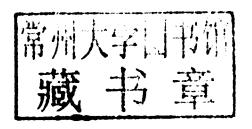
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### **Preface**

The rapid increase in demand for high-speed broadband wireless networks has spurred the development of new technologies in recent years. Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access, known as WiMAX, is one of these technologies. WiMAX is based on the IEEE 802.16 family of standards and offers flexible fixed and mobile wireless solutions along with high-bandwidth services for extended distance coverage and a variety of applications including support of an array of multimedia functions.

IEEE 802.16e is the most popular implementation of this standard; it defines a path of evolution to support high throughput wireless technology for mobile systems. The WiMAX mobile wireless standard, which was defined originally by the IEEE 802.16e-2005 amendment, is now being deployed in more than 140 countries by more than 475 operators.

The 802.16 Medium Access Control (MAC) is designed to support high data transfer for uplink and downlink communications between a base station and a large number of clients for continuous and bursty traffic. WiMAX also supports significant flexible operations across a wide range of spectrum allocation including both licensed and license-exempt frequencies of 2 to 11 GHz. It provides an access system which is based on a request-grant mechanism designed to support service requirements, scalability and efficiency. Along with the bandwidth allocation task, the IEEE 802.16 access mechanism provides a sublayer designed to support privacy and authentication for network access and establishment of connection.

Quality of Service (QoS) is an important factor in WiMAX technologies. WiMAX can provide QoS for wireless broadband communications over an extended coverage area for real-time delay-sensitive applications such as Voice over IP and real-time streaming in stationary or mobile environments. It offers different access methods for different classes of traffic. The 802.16e protocol is a connection-oriented medium access control with service flows as well as a grant-based system which allows centralized control and eliminates overheads and delay of acknowledgements. This in turn provides an effective QoS handling which is fundamentally different from connectionless wireless protocols such as IEEE 802.11. The IEEE 802.16 grant-based MAC can react to QoS requests in real time which reduces the workload of the base stations and produces lower overheads since connections are aggregated.

Additionally, in order to guarantee the QoS of competing services, the fragmentation of the 802.16 Protocol Data Units allows for very large Service Data Units to be sent across frame boundaries. OFDM and OFDMA also provide error correction and interleaving in order to improve QoS. Furthermore, the adaptive modulation techniques used in WiMAX technology result in extended wireless distance coverage areas.

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Security is also an important feature of WiMAX and was included in the 802.16 protocol after the failures that restricted the early IEEE 802.11 networks. Security is handled by a privacy sublayer within the WiMAX MAC. WiMAX provides a flexible means for authenticating subscriber stations and users in order to prevent unauthorized use. The 802.16 protocol provides several mechanism designed to protect the service provider and the customer from unauthorized information disclosure.

'WiMAX Security and Quality of Service: An End-to-End Perspective' is a collection of carefully selected articles by researchers with extensive experience with WiMAX. Determining how to provide QoS and security for different applications is a significant issue and the aim of this book is to provide readers with an in-depth discussion of security and QoS considerations in WiMAX based communications. Many books and articles have addressed WiMAX and the IEEE 802.16e protocol, but an end-to-end prospective on security and QoS has been missing. This book is split into four parts. Part A introduces an overview of the end-to-end WiMAX architecture, its protocols and system requirements. Three chapters in Part B discuss security issues in WiMAX, while in Part C five chapters examine QoS in detail. Advanced topics on WiMAX architecture, resource allocation, mobility management and interfacing WiFi and WiMAX are discussed in Part D.

#### Part A: Introduction

Chapter 1 provides an overview of end-to-end WiMAX network architecture. The objective of this chapter is to discuss the detail of different wireless communications technologies, mobile WiMAX, radio interface specifications for WiMAX, different interface specifications and various interoperability issues of WiMAX networks, as well as interoperability among the different WiMAX network vendors.

#### Part B: Security

Chapter 2 analyzes WiMAX security as defined in the different released versions of the IEEE 802.16 standards. It provides an overview of the WiMAX 802.16 networks and discusses the main security requirements to be met by a standard for broadband access. It then describes the security mechanisms that are to be guaranteed by the security sublayer and describes the weaknesses revealed in the initial versions, namely those related to fixed WiMAX. In this chapter, the security amendments made in the recent versions of mobile WiMAX are described and analyzed.

Key management in 802.16e is an important security issue and is discussed in Chapter 3. This chapter focuses specifically on the key management scheme of 802.16. Key derivation procedures and the key hierarchy of PKM version 2 are examined and discussed thoroughly. The weaknesses and countermeasures are identified and analyzed. Some comparisons with IEEE 802.11i and Third Generation (3G) mobile networks standards are also provided.

In Chapter 4, WiMAX network security is examined. The analysis is based on WiMAX Forum specification 1.2 and focuses on the standards, technical challenges the solutions for the issues of; 1) integration of authentication techniques and management of AAA (Authorization, Authentication, Accounting); 2) IP addressing and networking issues; and

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3) distribution of the QoS parameters. These topics are analyzed from the perspective of the network manager and the interaction between the access network and the back-end.

#### Part C: Quality of Service

Chapter 5 focuses on cross-layer QoS architecture, highlighting both PMP and mesh topology aspects and the differences between them. Each type of topology presents a different means of obtaining QoS; however other important elements such as bandwidth allocation scheduling and call admission control algorithms are left to vendor implementation. This deficiency with reference to the MAC and PHY layers as well as other important issues are discussed in this chapter. The challenges for WiMAX QoS are also discussed, focusing the future of QoS in the IP world for multimedia applications.

QoS in Mobile WiMAX is addressed in Chapter 6. Here, QoS management in WiMAX networks is discussed. The analysis focuses on demonstrating how mobile WiMAX technology offers continuity of services while providing enhanced QoS guarantees in order to meet subscribers' demands. The architectural QoS requirements that have to be fulfilled during subscribers' mobility and the mechanisms constructed by the Mobile WiMAX network to provide QoS are discussed in this chapter. Service flow, the 'connection-oriented' nature of the MAC layer, the bandwidth request, and allocation procedures and the scheduling service are also examined.

Mobility Management in WiMAX Networks is addressed in Chapter 7. The authors discuss the amendment of the IEEE 802.16d-2004 standard which provides improvements related mainly to mobility management. This chapter also examines the logical architecture of a mobile WiMAX network defined by the Network Working Group1 (NWG) of the WiMAX Forum. Other topics discussed in this chapter include horizontal and vertical handover mechanisms and means for their improvement, as well as analysis of co-existence with other access technologies in networks in the future.

Chapter 8 discusses the challenges facing QoS in the handover process. This chapter describes the challenges that the handover process represents for the QoS performance indicators in full mobility scenarios. It also describes the application of QoS requirements for full mobility and the requirements relating to end-to-end performance. Timing and performance considerations in the handover process and the Media Independent Handover Initiative (MIH or IEEE802.21) are also discussed. The efficient scheduling of the handover process and its influence on handover performance, end-to-end quality of service and a handover performance analysis are the other topics presented in this chapter.

Resource Allocation in Mobile Networks is discussed in Chapter 9. Here, a technical overview is presented of the emerging Mobile WiMAX solution for broadband wireless and important issues related to QoS in Mobile WiMAX are discussed. Additionally, resource allocation in Mobile WiMAX is examined in this chapter. Issues related to scheduling and method of channel access for different Service Flows in MAC layer and burst profiles based on the AMC slot structure in OFDMA frame are examined. Multiuser resource allocation, which involves OFDMA, AMC and multiuser diversity, is presented for downlink mobile WiMAX networks. Furthermore, the Channel Aware Class Based Queue (CACBQ), which is an adaptive cross-layer for scheduling and slot allocation, is introduced.

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#### Part D: Advanced Topics

Chapter 10 provides a discussion of QoS issues and challenges in WiMAX and WiMAX MMR networks. MAC-level QoS scheduling algorithms in WiMAX networks for multimedia traffic are also provided. This includes scheduling algorithms designed for a WiMAX mobile multi-hop relay (MMR) network. This chapter also discusses the characteristics of real-time traffic and the different codecs used for voice and video. A description of a few algorithms on uplink scheduling for real-time traffic inWiMAX networks is also provided. Additionally, MMR based WiMAX networks and downlink scheduling schemes for MMR based WiMAX networks are examined.

The Integration of WiFi and WiMAX Networks is an important issue and is discussed in Chapter 11. The deployment of an architecture that allows users to switch seamlessly between WiFi and WiMAX networks would afford several advantages to both users and service providers. However, WiMAX and WiFi networks have different protocol architectures and QoS support mechanisms; therefore an adaptation of protocol is required for their internetworking. This chapter outlines the design tenets for an interworking architecture between both WiFi and WiMAX technologies. The authors also define the various functional entities and their interconnections as well as end-to-end protocol layering in the interworking architecture, network selection and discovery and IP address allocation. Additionally, details are provided for the functional architecture and processes associated with security, QoS and mobility management.

QoS simulation and an enhanced solution for cell selection for WiMAX networks is discussed in Chapter 12. In this chapter, the authors examine the major WiMAX network simulation tools. A detailed system model for a cell selection algorithm is presented in this chapter. The authors have also performed simulation for QoS in a WiMAX network for several scenarios. An analysis of their simulation results are also provided.

The editors believe that this book is unique and significant in that it provides a complete end-to-end perspective on QoS and security issues in WiMAX and that it can be of great assistance to a large group of scientists, engineers and the wireless community with regard to the fast growing era of multimedia applications over wireless networks.

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2G Second Generation mobile networks
3G Third Generation mobile networks
3GPP Third Generation Partnership Project
3GPP2 Third Generation Partnership Project 2
4G Fourth Generation mobile networks

AAA Authorization, Authentication and Accounting

AAS Adaptive Antenna System
AAT Advanced Antenna Technology

AC Access Category ACK Acknowledge

ACM Adaptive Coding and Modulation

ACs Access Categories

AES Advanced Encryption Standard AIFS Arbitration Interframe Space

AK Authorization Key

AKA Authentication and Key Agreement
AKID Authentication Key Identifier
AMC Adaptive Modulation and Coding

AMR Adaptive Multi Rate

AP Access Point AR Access Router

ARQ Automatic Repeat Request
AS Authentication Server
ASN Access Service Network
ASN Abstract Syntax Notation

ASN-GW Access Service Network Gateway
ASP Application Service Provider
ATM Asynchronous Transfer Mode

AUTN Authentication Token AV Authentication Vector

AWGN Additive White Gaussian Noise BCID Basic Connection Identity

BE Best Effort

BER Bit Error Rate
BLER Block Error Rate

BPSK Binary Phase Shift Keying BR Bandwidth Request BRAS Broadband Access Server

BS Base Station

BSID Base Station Identity

BW Bandwidth

BWA Broadband Wireless Access
CA Certification Authority
CAC Call Admission Control

CACBQ Channel Aware Class Based Queue CAPF Cost Adjusted Proportional Fair

CBC Cipher Block Chaining
CBR Constant Bit Rate
CCM Counter with CBC-MAC
CDMA Code Division Multiple Access
CELP Code Excited Linear Prediction

CID Connection Identifier

CINR Carrier to Interference plus Noise Ratio

CK Cipher key

CMAC Cipher Message Authentication Code

CMIP Client-MIP COA Care-of-Address

COTS Commercial Off-The-Shelf
CPE Consumer Premises Equipment
CPS Common Part Sublayer

CQI Channel Quality Indicator

CQICH Channel Quality Indicator Channel

CRC Cyclic Redundancy Check
CRL Certificate Revocation List
CS Convergence Sublayer

CSC Connectivity Service Controllers
CSCl Convegence Sublayer Classifiers

CSMA CA Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance

CSN Connectivity Service Network
CSP Common Part Sub-layer

CSs Service Classes CW Contention Window

DAD Duplicate Address Detection
DCD Downlink Channel Descriptor
DCF Distributed Coordination Function
DER Distinguished Encoding Rule
DES Data Encryption Standard
DFR Decode and Forward Relay
DFS Dynamic Frequency Selection

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DHCP Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

DHMM Dynamical Hierarchical Mobility Management

DIAMETER Protocol extending RADIUS

DiffServ Differentiated Service

DL Downlink

DOCSIS Data Over Cable Service Interface Specification

DoD Department of Defence DoS Denial of Service

DSA-REQ Dynamic Service Addition request DSA-RSP Dynamic Service Addition response

DSL Digital Subscriber Line

DSSS Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum
EAP Extensible Authentication Protocol
EAP-AKA EAP-Authentication and Key Agreement

EAPOL EAP over LAN

EAP-TTLS EAP-Tunneled Transport Layer Security

EC Encryption Control

EDCA Enhanced Distributed Channel Access

EDCF Enhanced Distributed Coordination Function

EDF Earliest Deadline First
EFR Enhanced Full Rate
EIK EAP Integrity Key
EKS Encryption Key Sequence

ertPS Extended Real Time Polling Service

ETSI European Telecommunications Standards Institute
E-UTRAN Evolved UMTS Terrestrial Radio Access Network

FA Foreign Agent

FBack Fast Binding Acknowledgment FBSS Fast Base Station Switching handover

FBU Fast Binding Update
FCH Frame Control Header
FDD Frequency Division Duplex

FDMA Frequency Division Multiple Access

FEC Forward Error Correction FFT Fast Fourier Transform

FHSS Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum

FIFO First In First Out
FPC Fast Power Control
FTP File Transfer Protocol
FUSC Full Usage of Subchannels

GKDA Group-based Key Distribution Algorithm

GKEK Group Key Encryption Key
GKMP Group Key Management Protocol
GMH Generic MAC Frame Header

GPC Grant Per Connection

GPRS General Packet Radio Service

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GSA Group Security Association

GSAID Group SAID GSM FR GSM Full rate

GSM Global System for Mobile Communications

GTEK Group Traffic Encryption Key

GTK Group Transient Key

HA Home Agent

HACk Handover Acknowledgment HAP High Altitude Platform

HARQ Hybrid Automatic Repeat Request
HCCA HCF Controlled Channel Access
HCF Hybrid Coordination Function
HCS Header Check Sequence

HDR High Data Rate
HDTV High-definition TV
HHO Hard Handover
HI Handover Initiation

HIPERMAN High Performance Radio Metropolitan Area Network

HMAC Hash Message Authentication Code HNSP Home Network Service Provider

HO Handover

HOA Home-of-Address

HOKEY Handover Keying (Group)

HoL Head of Line

HSPA High-Speed Packet Access

HSPA+ Evolved HSPA HT Header Type

HUF Highest Urgency First ICV Integrity Checking Value

ID Identifier

IE Information Element

IEEE Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers, Inc.

IETF Internet Engineering Task Force

IK Integrity Key

IKE Internet Key Exchange (protocol)
ILBC Internet Low Bit rate Codec

IP Internet Protocol

IPv6 Internet Protocol version 6 ISI Intersymbol Interference

ISO International Standard Organization

ISP Internet Service Provider

ITU International Telecommunication Union

IV Initialization Vector
KDF Key Derivation Function
KEK Key Encryption Key

L2 Layer 2