

**"Mr. Watson, come here, I want you."**

*Alexander Graham Bell*

*First words spoken into the telephone when Bell spilled battery acid  
and called for Mr. Watson in the other room (10 March 1876)*

## **Infrastructure Perspectives on Receiver**

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Macro Cells



Metro Cells



femto Cells

\*according to Dell'Oro; \*\*according to Infonetics

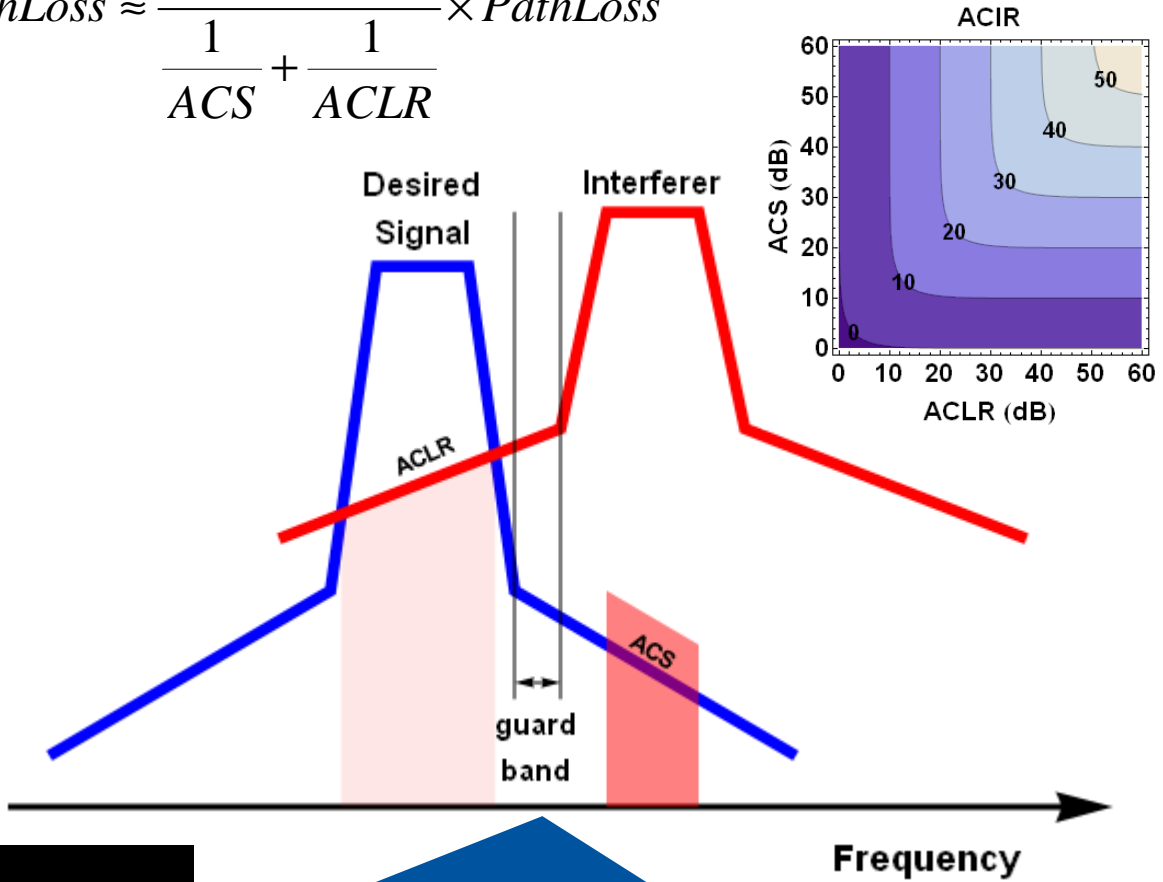
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# Receiver Performance and Interference Mitigation

$$ACIR_P = ACIR \times PathLoss \approx \frac{1}{\frac{1}{ACS} + \frac{1}{ACLR}} \times PathLoss$$

The interference received is a combination of the receiver's selectivity and the interferer's leakage. The transmitter can only mitigate one component, the receiver the other.

The gap between the two frequency bands (guard band) and its depth effects the filter insertion loss, stop-band rejection, weight, size and expense.



Adjacent Channel Interference Ratio	ACIR	Effect
Adjacent Channel Selectivity ratio	ACS	Rec. Resp.
Adjacent Channel Leakage Ratio	ACLR	TX Resp.

# Macrocell filters mitigate interference

Macrocells with their high towers and large coverage areas transport tens of Watts of RF power, requiring robust RF filters, e.g. filters made from metal cavities, each about  $\lambda/4$  in size.

These are heavy and bulky but extremely capable of providing extraordinary filtering with:

<5 MHz transition bandwidth and 40 to 50 dB rejection.

These work with IF and baseband filters to provide at least 85 dB of rejection... but at a cost.

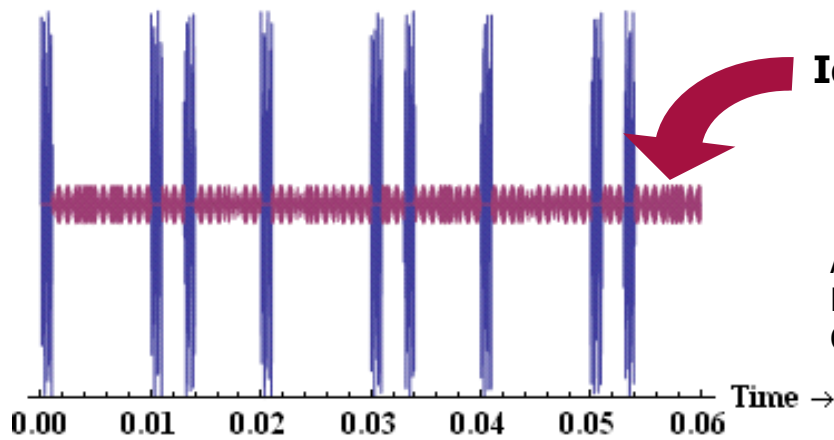
But... Metrocells and femtocells have less room for such elaborate filters.



# Summary

- Traditionally, Macrocellular base stations have afforded substantial filters to mitigate both received and transmitted interference (OOBE).
- Emerging Small Cells have a smaller budget for filter's size and weight
- Smaller cells are located closer to interfering equipment but are less sensitive
- Some receivers are more sensitive to the envelop of the interfering waveform
  - Discontinuous Time transmissions such as GSM and LTE often cause interference to AM receiver, hearing aides, speaker phones, stereos, RFIDs and DVB-T TV receivers, etc.
  - Adding "idle noise" or relaxing on-off ratios can reduce interference into such products.
  - In such cases, *adding interfering power can counter-intuitively improve victims reception.*

Discontinuous Transmission with Idle Noise



Idle noise added to empty time slots.

Adjacent Channel Selectivity Ratio  
Discontinuous Transmission  
Out Of Band Emissions

ACSR	Rec. Resp.
DT	TX Resp.
OOBE	TX Resp.



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