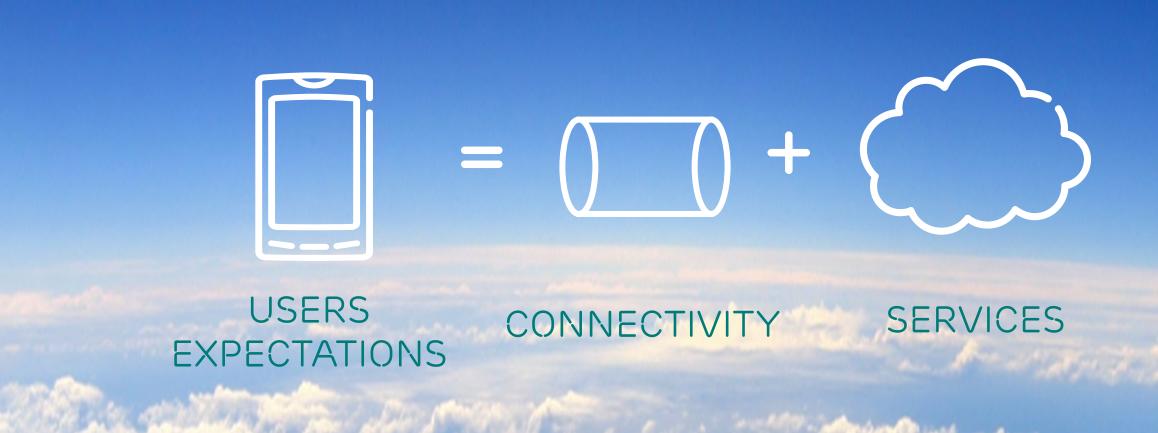


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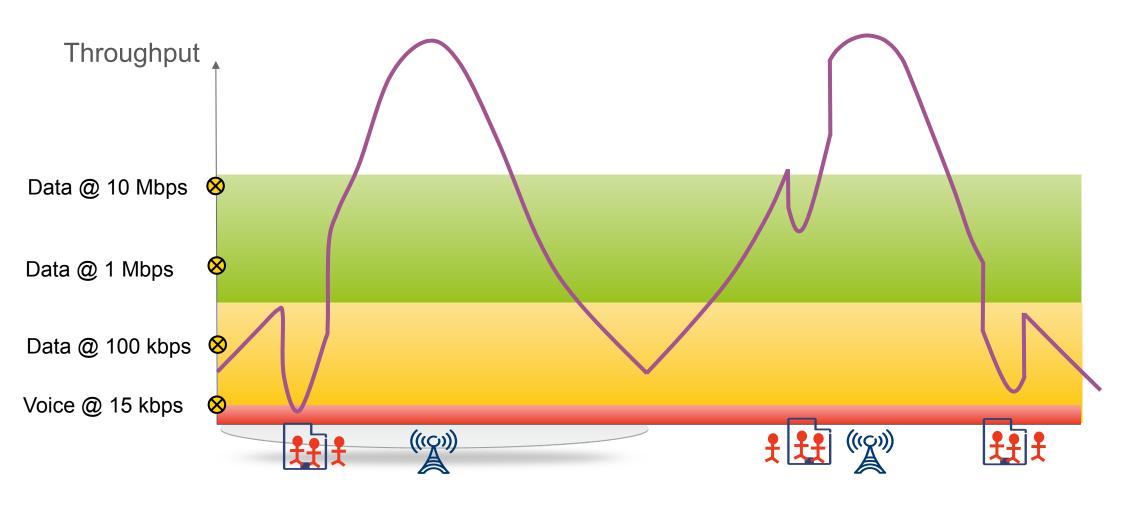


# CLOUD SERVICES DRIVING MBB COVERAGE





## MOBILE BROADBAND COVERAGE





#### IMPLICATIONS FROM RADIO BASICS

Signal strength measure: Decibel (dB). Doubling the signal strength equals an increase with 3 dB, x4 equals 3 + 3 = 6 dB, x8 equals 3 + 3 = 9 dB etc

- Rule 1: Power and spectrum are the limiting resources, linking coverage and capacity
- Rule 2: To double the throughput you need to double the received signal strength
- Rule 3: To get 10 Mbps downlink you need at least 1 Mbps uplink (and vice versa)
- Rule 4: Double the number of sites and you gain 6 dB

Example calculation: MBB with uplink of 10 Mbps and downlink of 1 Mbps "everywhere" requires x8 more base station than voice @ same coverage.



# MEETING THE CHALLENGES





### CONCLUSIONS



Data applications in everyday life drive mobile broadband coverage everywhere

MBB coverage drives operator revenue and requires high signal strength everywhere motivating radio network investments

MBB coverage is a moving target – the radio networks will never be "finished"