

Ensuring a good QoE for mobile broadband customers on LTE networks

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Consider ... MBB -> Smart Phone -> Apps

The average smart-phone has 26 downloaded app's,

An LTE device can run 24 simultaneous sessions,

LTE generates > 10x more signaling traffic than 3G,

Individual data sessions can typically last hours (e.g. watching a video),



Do you really believe that assurance workflows and tools designed for voicedominated 2/3G networks can deliver a good QoE for LTE mobile BB customers ...

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QoE Requirements



Dimension - Where



- Ability to capture, geo-locate and store details on all calls and data sessions
- Need geo-location resolution down to 50m x 50m "tiles"
 cell site resolution is not enough for most analytics
- Need scalability of at least 30B events per day

Determine <u>exactly</u> "where" all subscribers are all the time

Data consumption by proportion of area

(Data from Viavi 2015 Study)



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Dimension – What + How Good



- Need to identify at least 1200 different app's, targeting app identification in > 90% of data sessions
- Need DPI plus an alternative process that complies with data privacy, works with encryption
- Need to be able to determine QoE scores by app categories

Determine <u>exactly</u> "what" app and "how (good)" the QoE



App Categories Collaboration Database File Transfer Games Mail Messaging Network Monitoring Networking Proxy **Remote Access** Social Networking Audio Streaming Video Streaming **VPN** and Tunneling Web Services Voice Services

Apps in same category require similar network performance for a given level of customer QoE

Key Enablers To Delivering Good Mobile BB QoE over LTE

End-to-end network visibility

App identification and QoE

Dimensional analysis of QoE

Viavi LTE Network End-2-End Performance Visibility



Viavi Application Specific QoE Measurement

Viavi patented process for app-specific QoE scoring



Viavi sub-divides QoE into 4 categories and combines for an overall QoE score

- Accessibility Ability to access service session. (CP-based)
- Retainability Ability to maintain an accessed service session, eg. avoid drops. (CP-based)
- Integrity Quality while service session in use. (UP-based)
- Mobility Ability to handover service session between cells, networks, etc. (CP-based)



- Viavi normalizes QoE scores across different identified user applications
 - QoE scores are normalized to between 1 (poor) and 5 (good).
 - Solution configurable in terms of KPIs included in each score and weighting applied to each KPI.

Viavi Multi-Dimensional Analysis of (LTE) QoE - Examples



VoLTE Voice Quality By Location

 Red dots highlight those locations where VoLTE (MOS) voice quality is below a user-defined threshold score (in this case a score of 4)

Analysis is an example of combining RAN location intelligence with appspecific QoE measurement to identify "hot spots" of poor VoLTE QoE

Normalized App QoE By Device Type

- Diagram shows measured QoE analyzed by device type
- Tile color indicates average QoE for that device type
- Tile size indicates session volume used for QoE score

Analysis is excellent for identifying issues affecting only a single dimension and for prioritizing detected QoE issues (based on impact severity and the impacted session volume)



Blending together "Who + What + Where + How (good)"?



Summary



The ability to measure true user app experience and relate this to network performance, and key dimensions (e.g. location,app,device), is a must for delivering excellent mobile broadband QoE

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