

## Asymptotic Analysis on Secrecy Capacity in Large-Scale Wireless Networks

### Abstract:

Since wireless channel is vulnerable to eavesdroppers, the secrecy during message delivery is a major concern in many applications such as commercial, governmental, and military **networks**. This paper investigates information-theoretic secrecy in large-scale **networks** and studies how capacity is affected by the secrecy constraint where the locations and channel state information (CSI) of eavesdroppers are both unknown. We consider two scenarios: 1) noncolluding case where eavesdroppers can only decode messages individually; and 2) colluding case where eavesdroppers can collude to decode a message. For the noncolluding case, we show that the **network** secrecy capacity is not affected in order-sense by the presence of eavesdroppers. For the colluding case, the per-node secrecy capacity of  $\Theta([1/(\sqrt{n})])$  can be achieved when the eavesdropper density  $\psi_e(n)$  is  $O(n^{-\beta})$ , for any constant  $\beta > 0$  and decreases monotonously as the density of eavesdroppers increases. The upper bounds on **network** secrecy capacity are derived for both cases and shown to be achievable by our scheme when  $\psi_e(n)=O(n^{-\beta})$  or  $\psi_e(n)=\Omega(\log^{[(\alpha-2)/(\alpha)]}n)$ , where  $\alpha$  is the path-loss gain. We show that there is a clear tradeoff between the security constraints and the achievable capacity. Furthermore, we also investigate the impact of secrecy constraint on the capacity of dense **network**, the impact of active attacks and other traffic patterns, as well as mobility models in the context.