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Voice over WiFi – Deployment recommendations and best practices

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- VoWiFi RF Design
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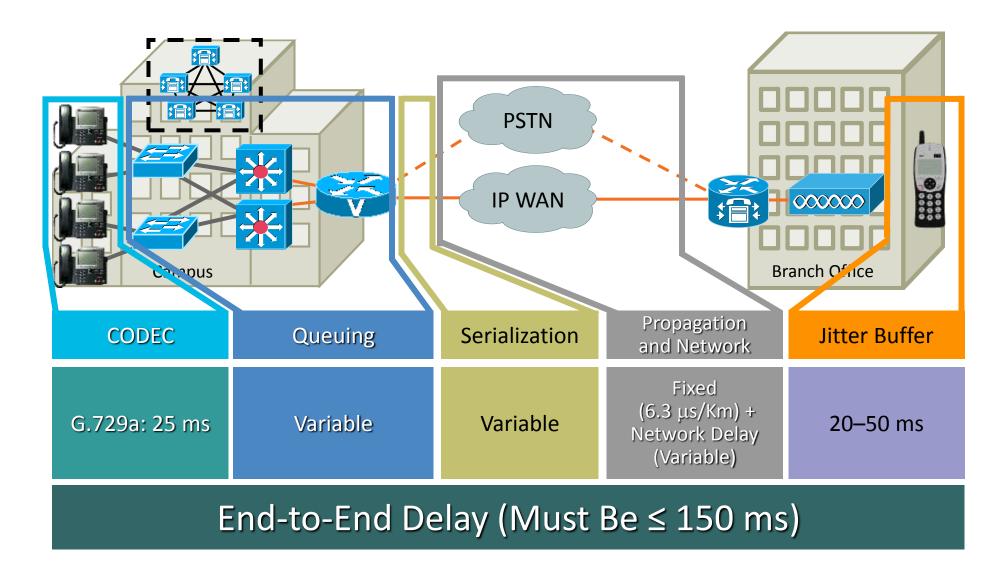


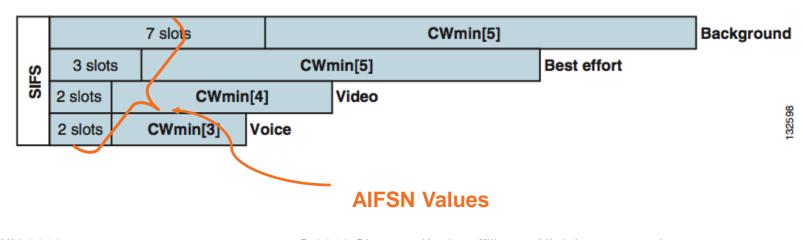


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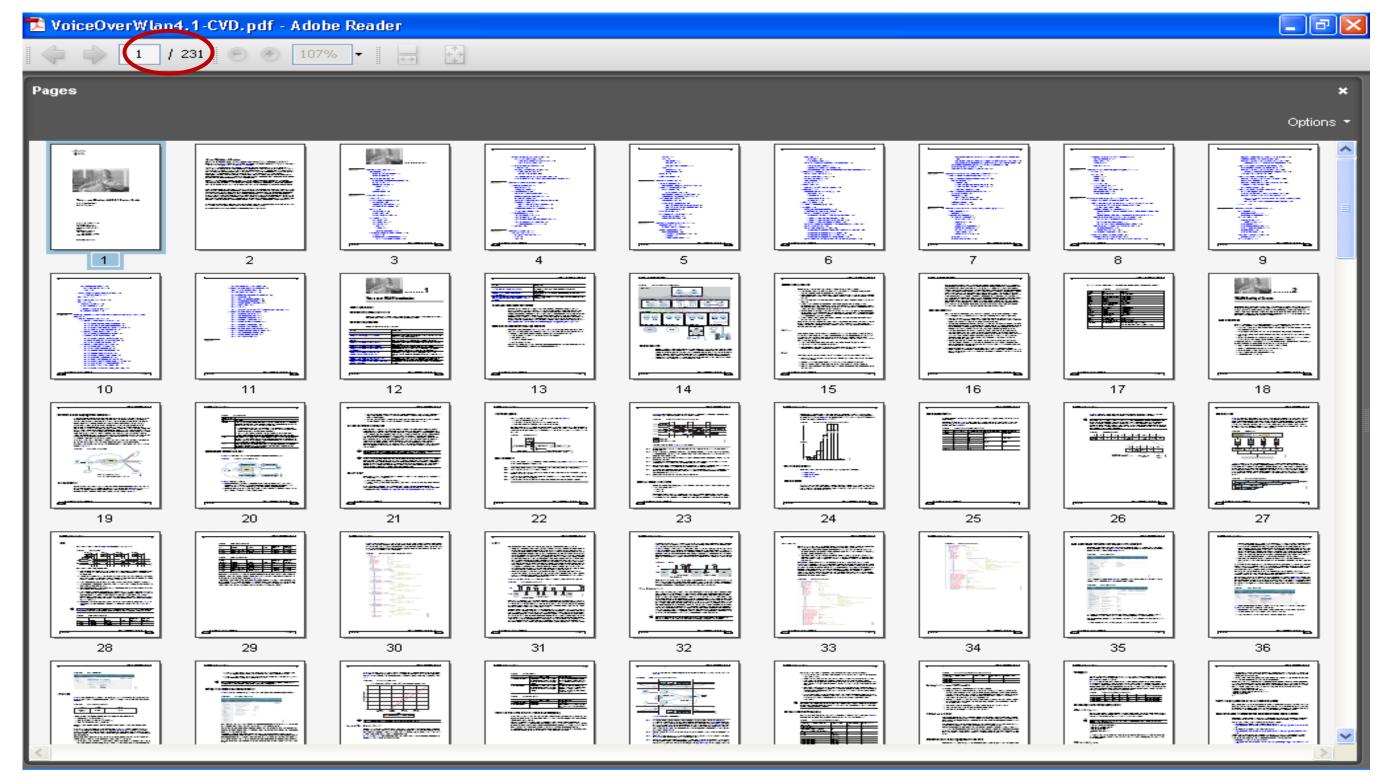
- Collaboration Manager configurations
- Voice protocols comparison
- WMM and QoS in detail
- Voice Gateways...







Cisco Validated Voice over Wireless Design Guide



http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/solutions/Enterprise/Mobility/vowlan/41dg/vowlandg.pdf

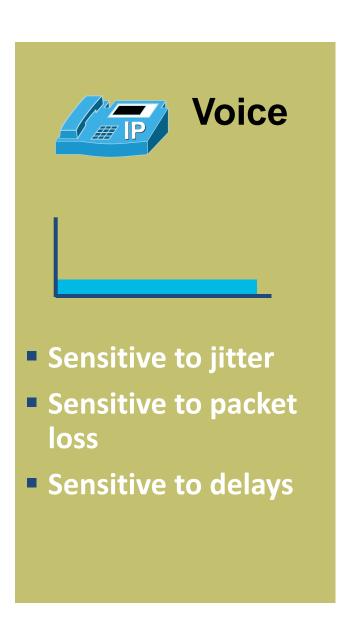
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Key Concepts

- Voice over WLAN would be similar to any other VoIP technology with the added issues of a wireless medium
 - Signaling: SCCP/SIP
 - Voice transport: RTP
- Wireless adds some important differences
 - Media is shared
 - Physical coverage is an issue
 - Security concerns
 - Battery life
 - Roaming





Wireless as Media

- WiFi is unlicensed spectrum so has to operate on lower power
 - Coverage is lower than other radio technologies
- As the transmit media is shared we can expect:
 - Interference (other WiFi)
 - Noise
 - Capacity issues
- Access points have a limited area they can cover
 - Power restrictions
 - Antenna used
 - Physical environment



Wireless as Media

- Voice is one of the most critical applications to have over Wireless
- Users have high expectations for voice, derived from GSM, Home wireless phones, and fixed line "real-life experience"
- The main objective on a VoWiFi project, is to provide end users with a service level as close as possible to what they expect
- Wireless Networks are mostly designed for data services, so it is usually not possible to "just drop" voice on top, and expect any positive results











Wireless as Media

- Voice has very strict requirements as an "application"
 - Packet Error Rate (PER) <=1%
 - As low jitter as possible, less than 100ms
 - Retries should be < 20%
 - This translates to coverage needs

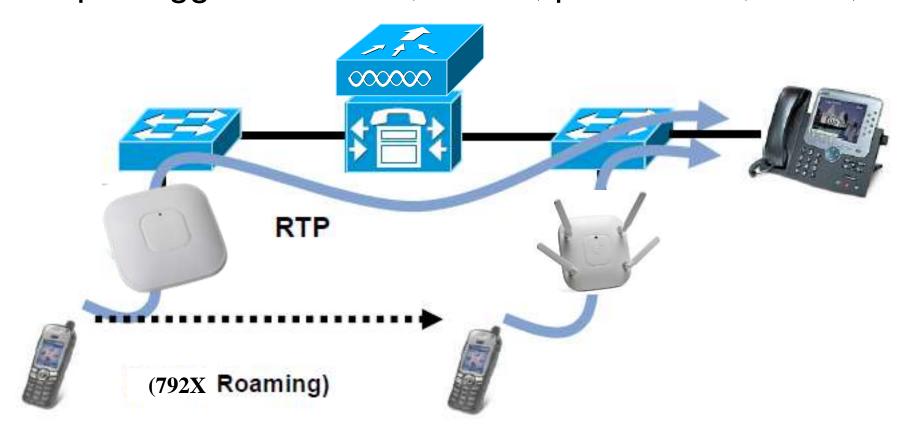


- Normally data services can tolerate loss of connectivity or high packet loss. Users will not accept a clipping voice, or unidirectional voice flow.
- In general it is better to prevent a call, than to place a call over a congested media
 - This is where "Call Admission Control" takes place



Roaming

- Roaming means that the Phone has to find a new AP before the current parent quality has gone below what is needed to maintain good voice
 - Has to be Secure
 - Not too aggressive, but not conservative
 - May use multiple triggers: Beacon, retries, packet loss, RSSI, SNR, QBSS



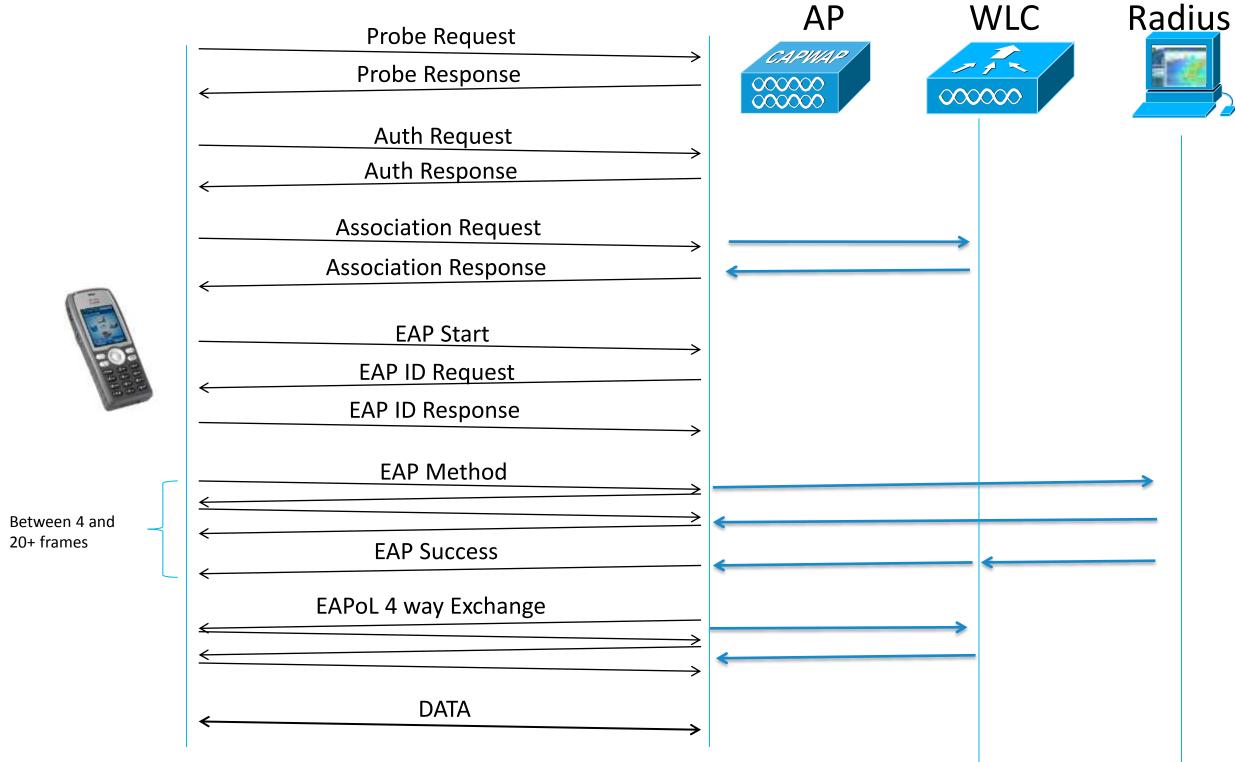


Secure Roaming

- How to accept a new client association quickly in a secure way?
- Each roam may need full reauthentication
 - Key caching mechanisms are needed: CCKM, PMKID, Sticky key caching, 802.11r
- A key caching will remove the need for a complete 802.1x, which is slow
- Voice requirement: max 150ms of traffic drop, 300ms at most

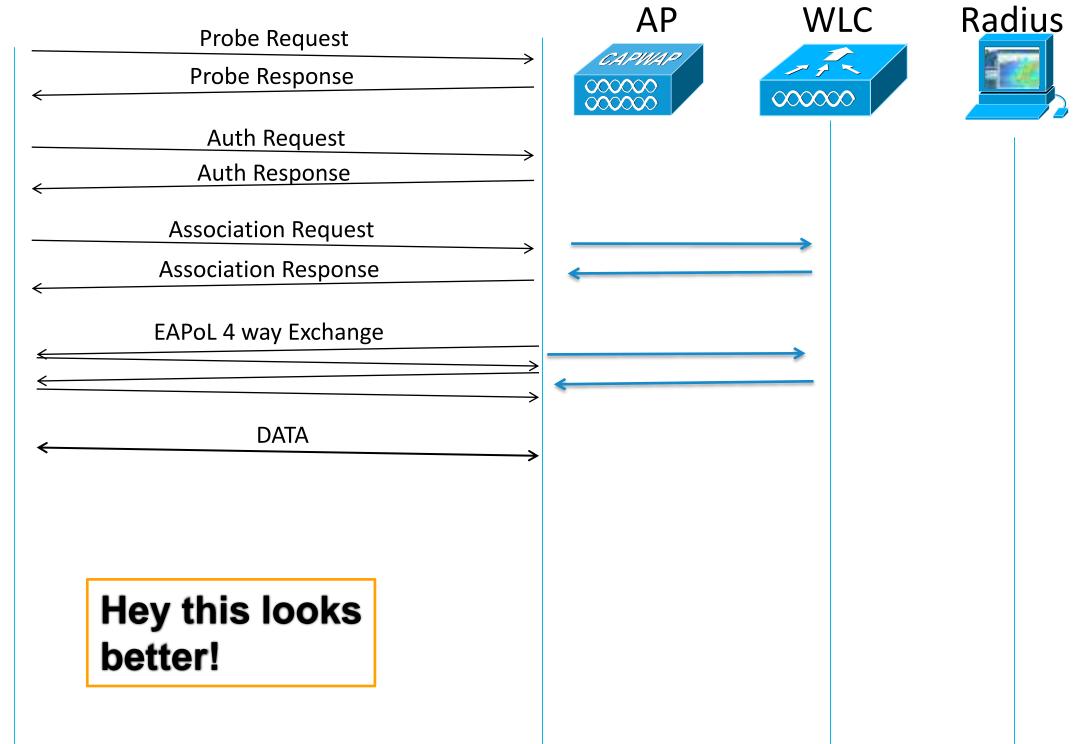


Association + 802.1x



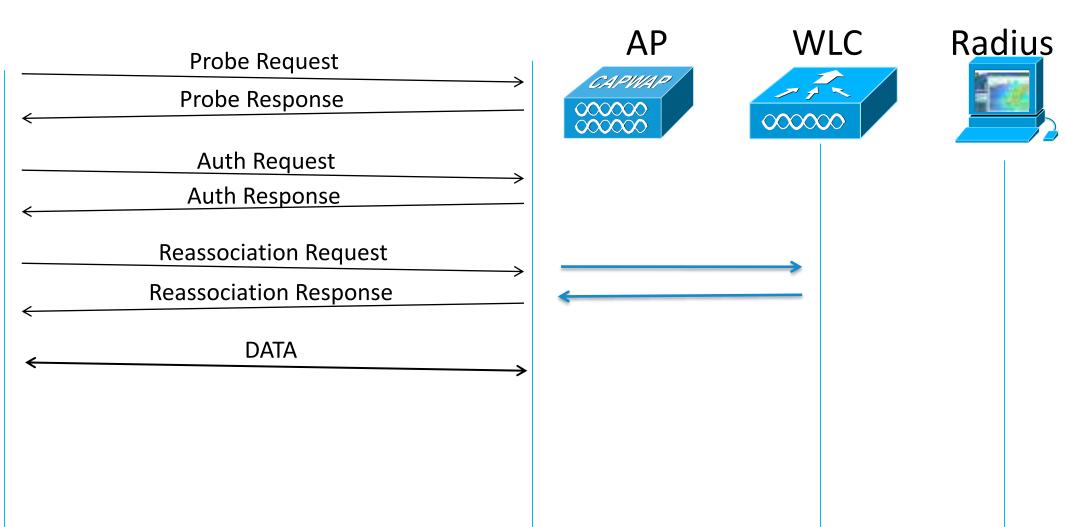


WPA(2)-PSK





CCKM

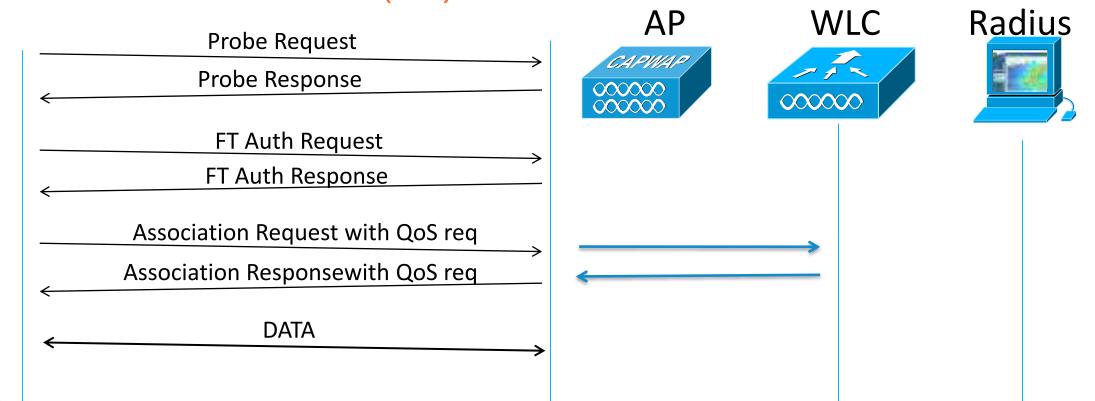


Much better!



802.11r – "Fast Transition" (FT)

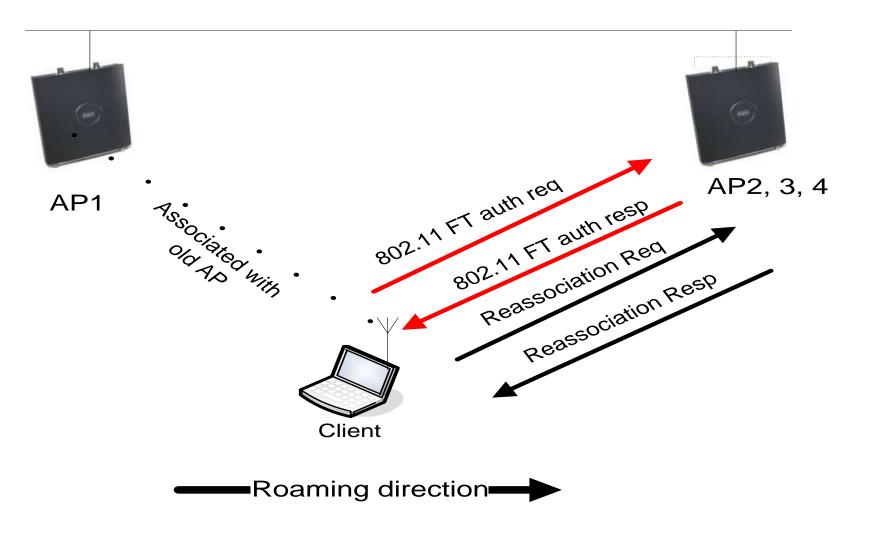




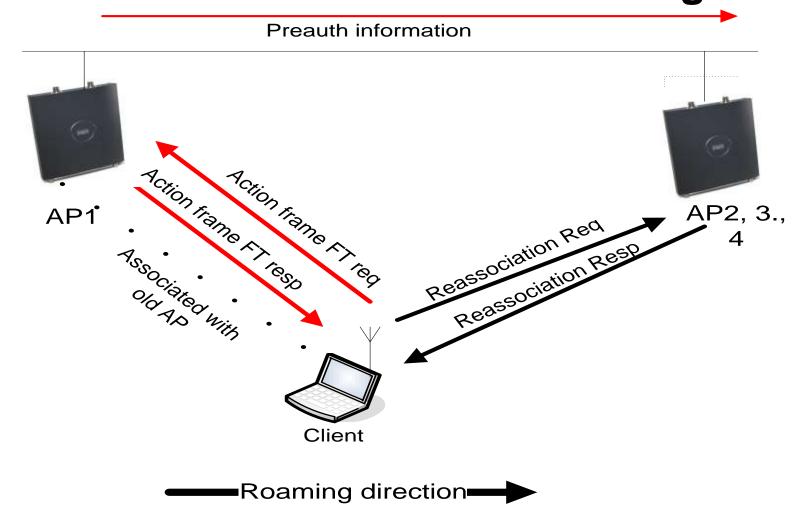
802.11r Action Packet exchange occurs before the Roam. Therefore the Roam is 2 packets long. This is a standardized method, but it has some backward compatibility drawbacks, as Action Frames are new and Association Frames are modified.

802.11r – Pre-authenticated secure roam (by SSID/WLAN)

802.11r Over the Air roaming



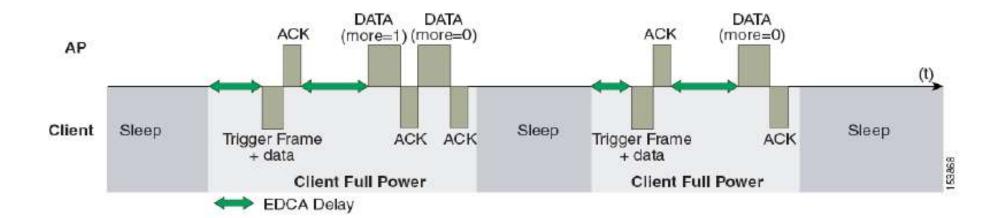
802.11r Over the DS roaming





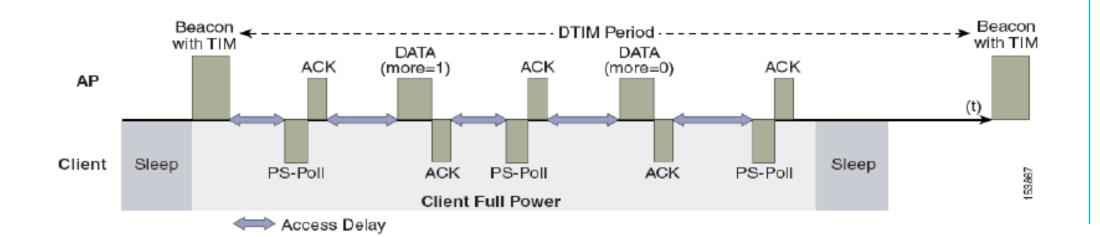
Power Save

- Devices are battery operated, so they must have power saving mechanisms
 - U-APSD



PSP/Legacy

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For IOS devices, you have to support MCSO data rate, as the OS is dropping the data rate to MCSO to save power, but not checking if that rate is supported before doing it.



Top Ten Recommendations

- 1. QoS and Availability on your wired network is your foundation
- 2. Security requirements for voice applications are different than from data
- 3. Start with user consultation and education
- 4. Address VoWiFi availability requirements in planning and design
- 5. Maximize your WLAN Capacity by using the 5GHz spectrum
- 6. Choose the right VoWLAN handset, based on user requirement and features, and availability in Cisco Compatible Extension Program
- 7. Follow the VoWLAN handset guidance in planning and design
- 8. Use Radio Resource Management for deployment, monitoring, and troubleshooting your WLAN
- 9. Perform a post installation site-survey to confirm you have met your VoWiFi goals
- 10. Plan for the future and the addition of more services such as Location



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What Should Be Covered

- In order to determine if VoWiFi can be deployed, the environment must be evaluated to ensure the following items meet Cisco guidelines.
- Many different tools and applications can be used to evaluate these items in order to certify the deployment.
 - Signal
 - Channel Utilization
 - Noise
 - Packet Loss / Delay
 - Retries
 - Multipath

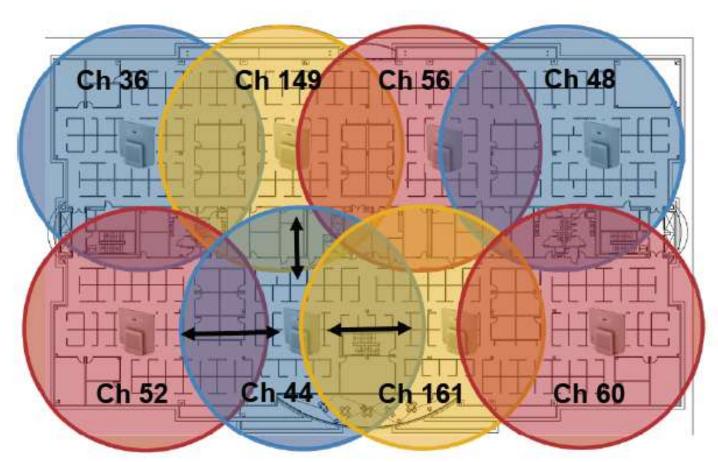




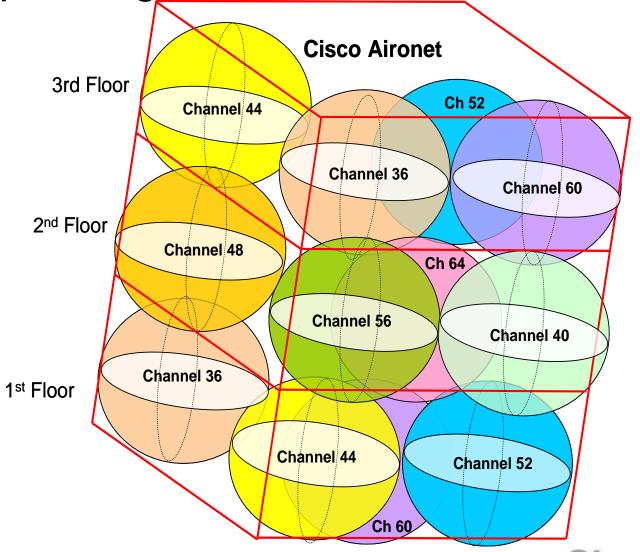
Coverage

The cell edge should be designed to -67 dBm, where there is a 20-30% overlap
of adjacent access points at that signal level.

This ensures the phone always has adequate signal and can roam seamlessly.



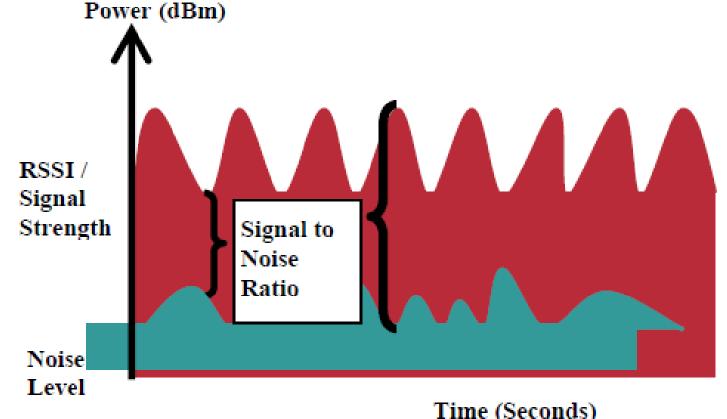
Minimum 20% Overlap



Channel Utilization and Noise

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- Channel Utilization levels should be kept under 50%.
- You can check it using a spectrum analyzer like SpectrumExpert or Fluke AirCheck
- If using a Cisco phone, this is provided via the QoS Basic Service Set (QBSS), which equates to a value around 105.
- Noise levels should not exceed -92 dBm, which allows for a Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR) of 25 dB where a -67 dBm signal should be maintained.

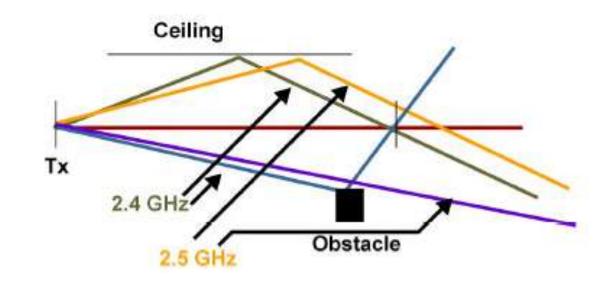






What Should or Should Not Be Done

- Highly reflective environments
- Multipath distortion/fade is a consideration
- 802.11b most prone
- 802.11g/a better
- 802.11n much better
- Things that reflect RF:
 - Irregular metal surfaces
 - Large glass enclosures/walls
 - Lots of polished stone

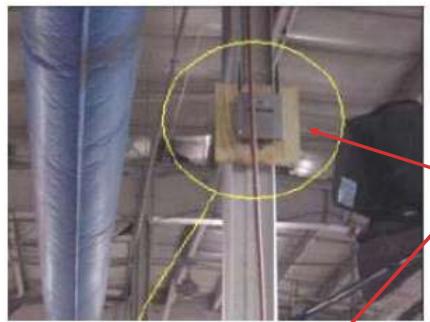






What Should or Should Not Be Done

• Multipath. Multipath should be kept minimal as this can create nulls and reduce signal levels.



- Temptation is to mount on beams or ceiling rails
- This reflects transmitted as well as received packets
- Dramatic reduction in SNR due to high-strength, multipath signals



Minimize Reflections When Choosing Locations



What Should or Should Not Be Done



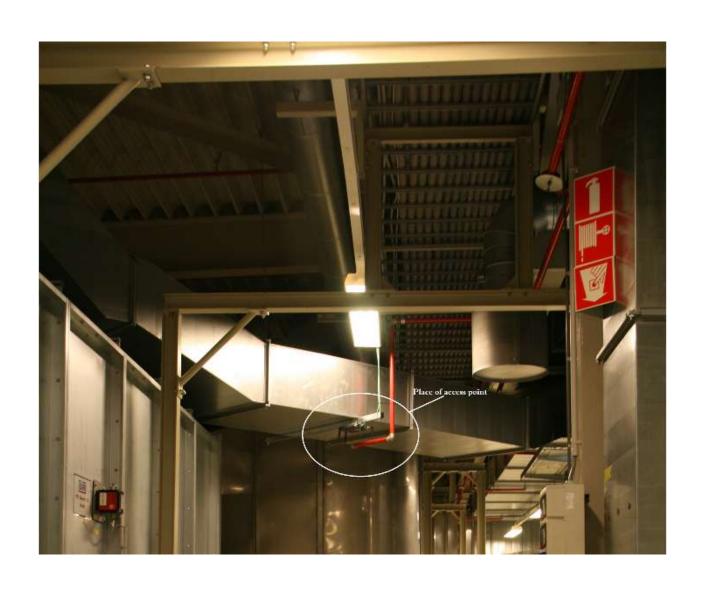


Mount the box and antennas downward Please





More Examples

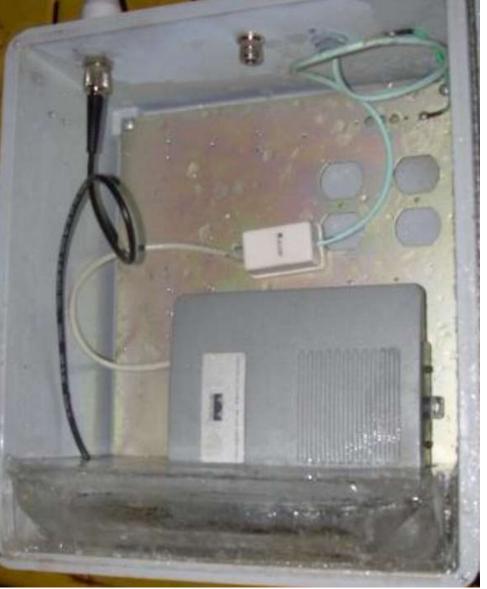






More Examples





Ceiling mount AP up against pipe

A little ICE to keep the packets cool



More Examples





A Few Tips

- Every site is unique, do not assume two installations would be the same
- Think of the AP coverage area as a "reading light": you want to illuminate where the devices will be. Avoid long run AP placement
- Use the appropriate equipment for the need: 1130/1140/2600i/3500i/3600i for carpeted areas, 1240/1260/2600e/3500e/3600e for specific applications, antenna orientations
- Work on a primary assumption of 1 AP every 17 meters for Voice deployments
- Avoid using the APs with internal antennas in vertical placements. RF planning is more difficult
- Validate that the coverage is "as expected" after installation



A Few More Tips

- Use 5 GHz whenever possible (a lot of smartphones were 2.4 GHz only, but we are getting there)
- Try to isolate sources of interference, rogues, etc, as part of initial survey
- More needed in 2.4 → Clean Air provides continuous monitoring of possible common interferers
- For high ceiling: do not use omni antennas on high placed APs. Either move APs closer to clients, or use patch/directional
- Always do the design for APs at power level 3, so there is power budget available (yes, all APs exist now with autonomous IOS versions for Site Survey)
- Always allow diversity on AP, or MIMO if 11n



The Data Rate Influence on CAC Bandwidth

- The denser the deployment of indoor APs, the higher the first required data rate (recommendation from Cisco)
- If the AP deployment is not dense, the lower data rates may be necessary to provide coverage
- With the G711 codec and the overhead of the 802.11 protocol, the cell throughput does not increase at data rates above 24Mbps

Tuned 802.11b/g Data Rates:

Disabled 1 Mbps Disabled 2 Mbps Disabled 5.5 Mbps Disabled 6 Mbps Disabled 9 Mbps Mandatory -11 Mbps 12 Mbps Supported -Supported -18 Mbps Supported -24 Mbps Supported -36 Mbps 48 Mbps Supported -

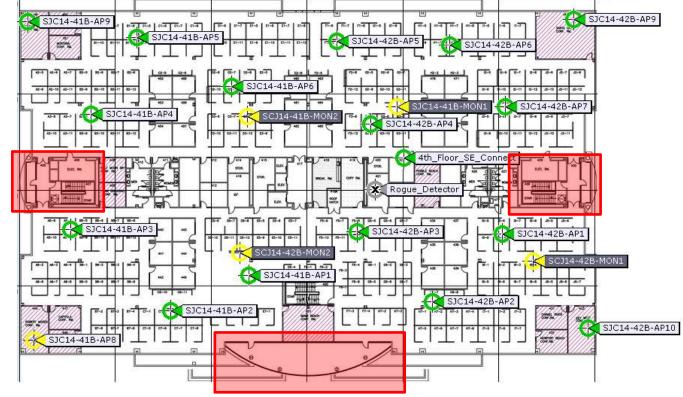


Supported -

54 Mbps

Coverage Areas

- A huge percentage of problems come from incorrectly defined coverage areas
- Coverage areas: where the voice service should be offered
- Typical errors: "not needed in the bathrooms", "not in the elevators", "not in the stairs", "not in the outdoor smoking area"
- Talk to end-users. Think what they will need and when



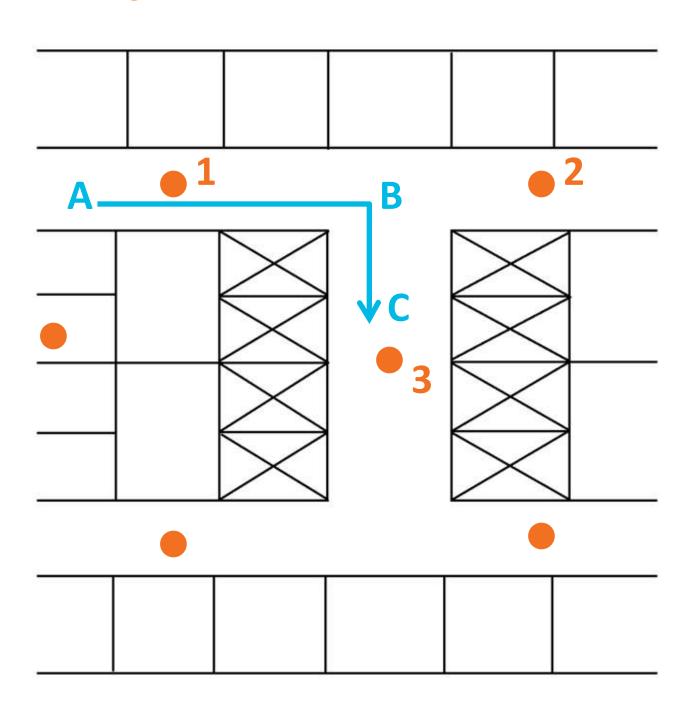


The "Transition" AP

- Cell overlap coverage is not always the only concern
- Roaming can fail if the client device does not have enough time to properly scan for neighboring access points
 - Imagine turning the corner around a metal or high attenuation barrier the RF environment changes very rapidly
- Challenging RF obstacles need to be considered during AP placement
- A "Transition" AP that is placed at the intersection of hallways can alleviate some scenarios

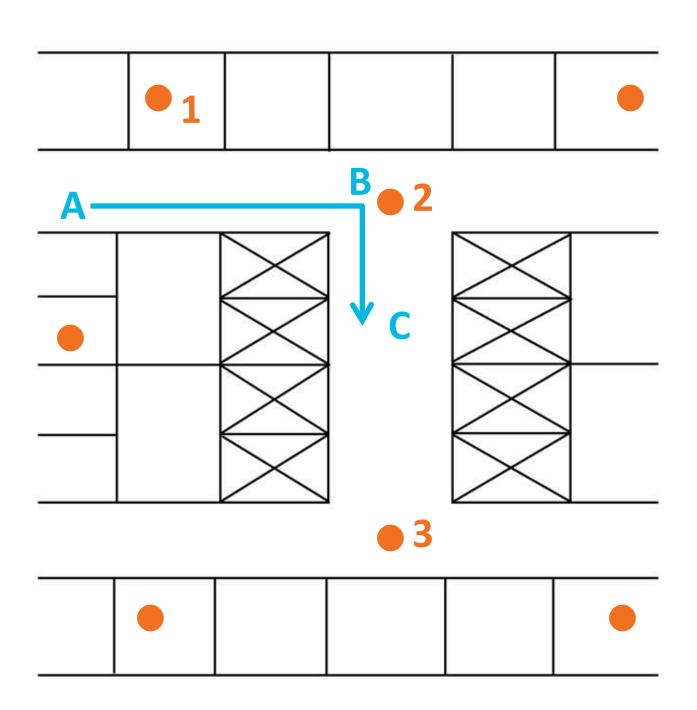


Scanning Problems



- At point A the phone is connected to AP 1
- At point B the phone has AP 2 in the neighbor list, AP 3 has not yet been scanned due to the RF shadow caused by the elevator bank
- At point C the phone needs to roam, but
 AP 2 is the only AP in the neighbor list
- The phone then needs to rescan and connect to AP 3

Transition AP Placement



- At point A the phone is connected to AP 1
- At point B the phone has AP 2 in the neighbor list as it was able to scan it while moving down the hall
- At point C the phone needs to roam and successfully selects AP 2
- The phone has sufficient time to scan for AP 3 ahead of time

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Use Design Guide

- Disabled
 - DHCP required
 - P2P blocking
 - MFP client
 - Band select
 - Load balancing
 - Low data rates

- Optional
 - Client Exclusion

Enabled

- Aironet extensions
- DTPC
- Platinum + 802.1p "6"
- Long session timeout
- Fast roaming (CCKM/Open/PSK)
- WMM (allowed/required)
- DTIM "2"
- AES
- EDCA for Voice or mixed
- CAC



RRM Advanced Settings

- Use long DCA period: 8/12/24 hours to prevent frequent channel changes
- Set the Maximum Power Level to match your clients
- Set the Minimum Power Level to avoid pico-cell issues
- Power Threshold can be increased to increase overall power assignments, or decreased to reduce power assignments
 - Default value is -70, remember it is a negative number!

Tx Power Level Assignment Algorithm • Automatic Every 600 sec: Power Level Assignment Method On Demand Invoke Power Update Once 1 -O Fixed: Maximum Power Level Assignment (-10 to 30 dBm) Minimum Power Level Assignment (-10 to 30 dBm) Power Assignment Leader Cisco_cc:72:44 (192.168.1.14) Last Power Level Assignment 26 secs ago -65 Power Threshold (-80 to -50 dBm) Power Neighbor Count 3

Channel and Power Levels

- UNII-1 Channels are intended for indoor use, typically have lower max transmit power of 14 dB*
- UNII-2 Channels require use of DFS (Dynamic Frequency Selection), typically have max transmit power of 17 dB*
- UNII-3 Channels do not require DFS, and have a max transmit power of 17 dB*

*Maximum transmit power may vary by AP model

Channel ID	36	40	44	48	52	56	60	64	100	104	108	112	116	120	124	128	132	136	140	149	153	157	161
Center Freq. MHz	5180	5200	5220	5240	5260	5280	5300	5320	5500	5520	5540	5560	5580	5600	5620	5640	5660	5680	5700	5745	5765	5785	5805
Band	UNII-1				UNII-2							UNNII-3											

DSCP and COS

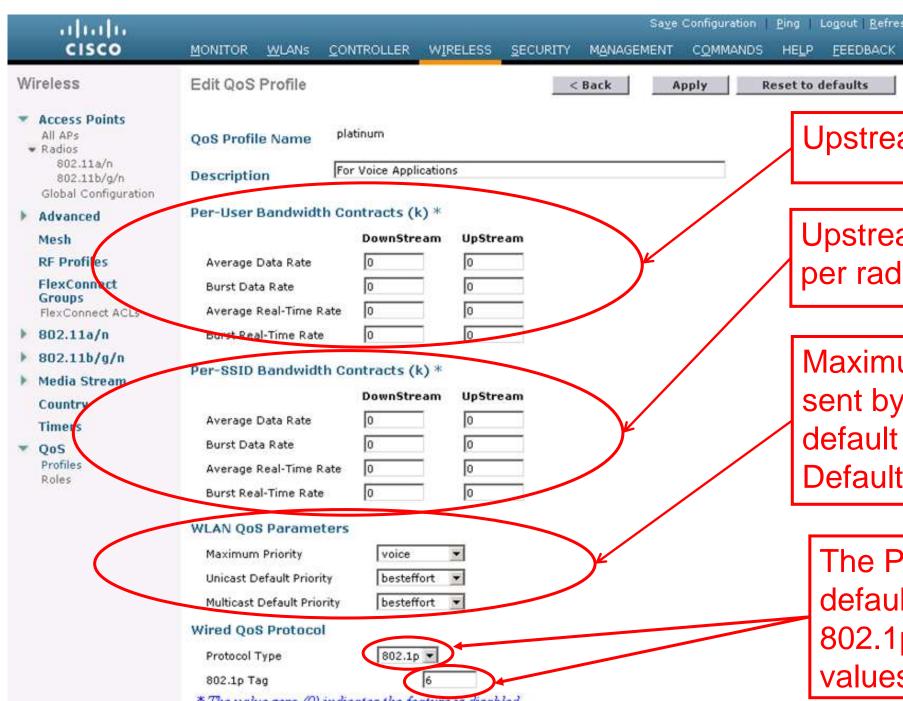
- Trust DSCP on APs
- Trust COS on WLC trunks
 - NB: COS value requires 802.1q tag, so it will not work for the native vlan!
- Set 802.1p Wired Protocol to 6 for the Platinum QoS Profile
- Ensure cos-dscp map on switched network is properly defined
 - COS 3 to DSCP 24 (CS3) for SCCP traffic
 - COS 5 to DSCP 46 (EF) for RTP traffic
 - mls qos map cos-dscp 0 8 16 24 32 46 48 56

Traffic Type	DSCP	802.1p	WMM UP
Voice (RTP)	EF (46)	5	6
Call Control (SCCP)	CS3 (24)	3	4





How to enable QoS for Voice?



Upstream per- user contracts added in 7.3.

Upstream and downstream per- SSID (per AP per radio) contracts added in 7.3.

Maximum Priority is the maximum marking which can be sent by a WMM client. Unicast Default Priority is the default marking of non-WMM client traffic. Multicast Default Priority is for multicast traffic.

The Protocol Type has two options: None & 802.1p. By default it is set to None. If the Protocol Type is set to 802.1p, then the 802.1p tag can be modified. Valid values are from 0 to 7.

*NOTE: Modification of QoS profile marking that will be used by the AP



DTPC

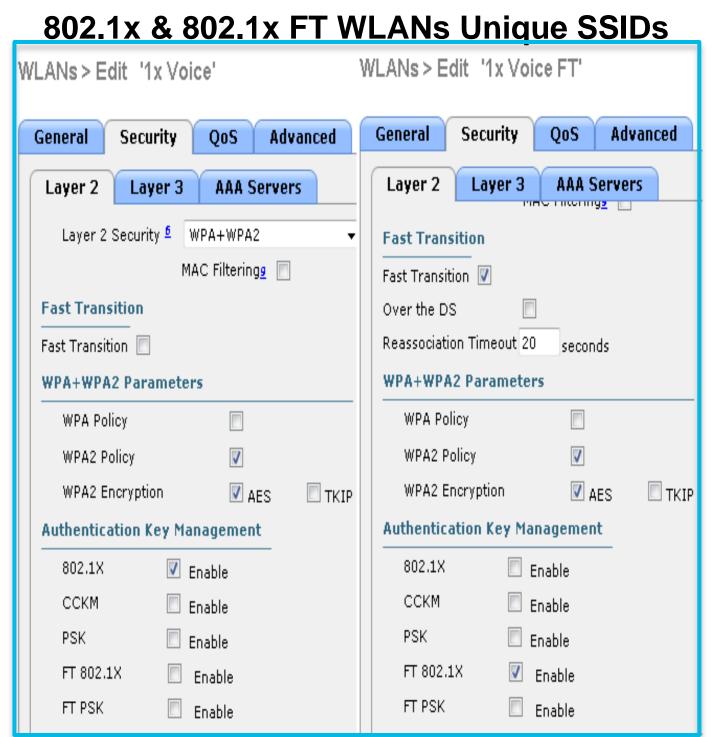
- Mismatched transmit powers on AP and client can cause one-way audio and poor performance
- 792x phone has max tx power of 40 mW (16 dBm)
- Most Smartphones have max tx power of
- AP 2.4 GHz can be up to 100 mW (20 dBm)
- AP 5.0 GHz can be up to 50 mW (17 dBm) (varies by channel)
- Other benefits include reduced co-channel interference radius and power saving on clients
- Requires CCXv2

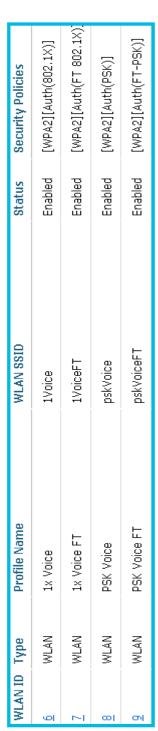




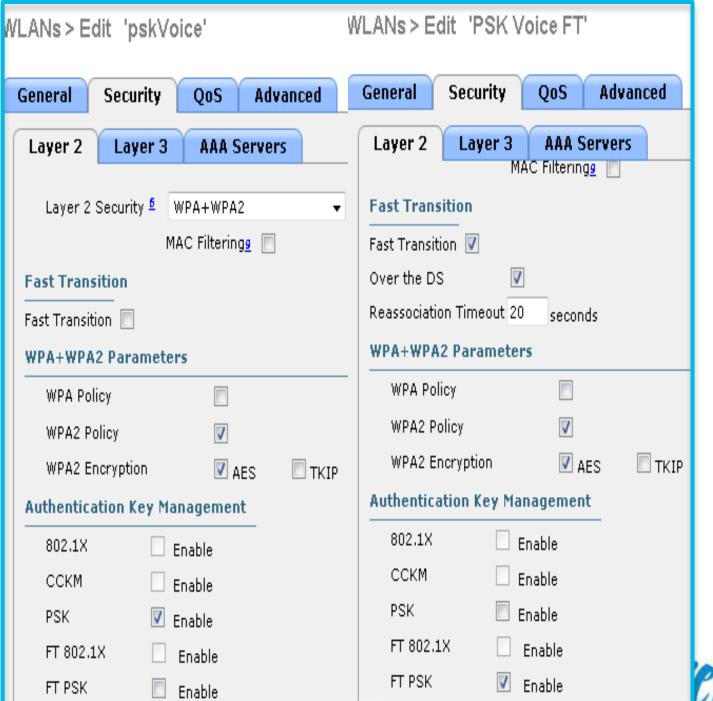
If implementing 802.11r today:

Multiple WLANs for Multiple Authentication types, Each with a Unique SSID





PSK & PSK FT WLANs With Unique SSIDs



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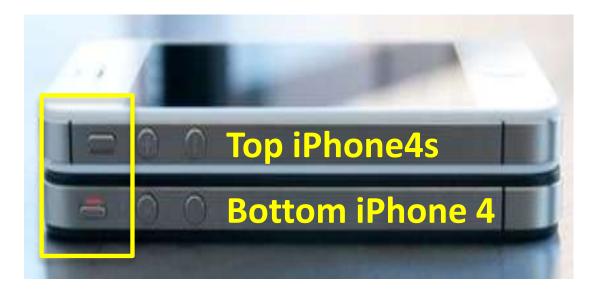
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802.11r (Fast Transition) and client devices

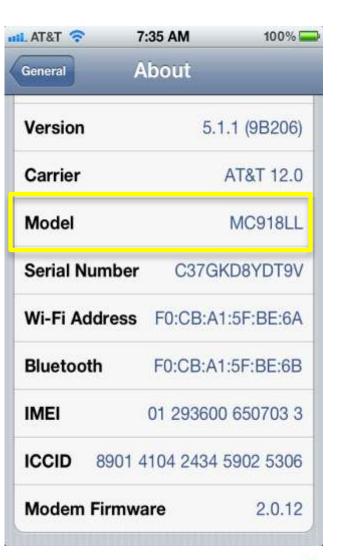
It can get a little complex...

- An iPhone with iOS 6.0 can authenticate to a WLAN with and without "FT".
- A non-6.0 iOS client can't associate.
- Both iPhone 4 models will take the 6.0iOS upgrade.
- But iPhone 4 does <u>not</u> do 11r.
- The iPhone 4s does 11r
 (The iPhone 5 also).



So, which one is it?

Do an internet search to find the Model if unsure.





7.3 Controllers Compared



Scalability-Numbers based on SW-Release 7.3	vWLC	2504	WLCM2	5508	WiSM2	7500	8500
Maximum # of APs	200	50	10/50	500	1000	6000	6000
Maximum # of Clients	3000	500	500	7000	15000	64 000	64 000
Maximum # of FlexConnect-Groups	100	20	20	20	100	2000	2000
Maximum # of APs per FlexConnect-Group	100	25	25	25	50	100	100
Maximum # of Rogue APs	800	2000	2000	2000	4000	24 000	24 000
Maximum # of Rogue Clients	1500	2500	2000	2500	5000	32 000	32 000
Maximum # of RFID-Tags	3000	500	500	5000	10 000	50 000	50 000
Maximum # of APs per RRM-Group	1000	500	500	1000	2000	6000	6000
Maximum # of AP-Groups	200	50	30	500	500	6000	6000
Maximum # of VLANs	512	16	16	512	512	4095	4'095
Maximum # of WLANs	512	16	16	512	512	512	512
Maximum Throughput non-DTLS (FlexConnect: Central-Switching)	500 Mbps	500 Mbps	500Mbps	7 Gpbs	16 Gbps	1 Gbps	10 Gbps
Maximum Throughput DTLS (FlexConnect: Central-Switching)	not supported	500 Mbps	not supported	5 Gbps	9 Gbps	1 Gbps	5 Gbps
Min. SW-Version	7.3	7.0	7.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	7.3



APs supporting Voice over Wifi well:



Recommended

Aironet a/b/g







Troubleshooting Tools

Wireless Captures, RF Analysis, Configuration Analysis

- Wireless sniffer
 - Omnipeek/AirPcap
 - Mac with OS X 10.6 and above
 - Windows 7 with Netmon 3.4
 - Multichannel, for roaming issues
 - AP in Sniffer mode
- L1 analysis: SpectrumExpert, 3500/3600 Ap, etc
- WLCCA (WLC Configuration Analyzer) TAC support
- NCS / Cisco Prime Infrastructure for Historical view and « Client Troubleshooting tool »



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Voice over WLAN - a challenging technology

Voice over WLAN (VoWLAN) is one of the most challenging technologies that Cisco provides. For VoWLAN to work satisfactorily especially in the high-stress environments in which it is deployed, such as healthcare - the network, and the phone, must be able
consistently to transport a real-time, bidirectional, securely encrypted audio stream, with almost no dropouts, while the endpoint
moves across four dimensions (space and frequency).

This document explains how to get 792x wireless phones (7921G, 7925G, 7926G) to work well in a Cisco Unified Wireless Network.

Seven basic guidelines to making VoWLAN work well

Though delivering a reliable VoWLAN service is difficult, it is possible, provided that the network provider adheres to the following basic design guidelines.

1. Have solid coverage in 5GHz - and lock your phones to 802.11a

Your network's ability to perform is fundamentally dependent on a solid physical layer. VoWLAN uses both the 2.4GHz and 5GHz bands. Of these, the 2.4GHz band's lower frequency signals carry further - however, the constrained bandwidth (only three non-overlapping channels) and ever increasing interference, render 2.4GHz, in most cases, unsuitable for reliable voice. Network

Please upgrade all Cisco wireless IP Phones to code version 1.4.3

Data Analysis on a Cisco Wireless IP Phone

Packet Loss and Delay

- Per voice guidelines, PER should not exceed 1% packet loss.
- If there is > 1% packet loss, then voice quality can be degraded significantly.
- All Cisco IP Phones have the ability to display "receiver lost packets" as well as the total # of receiver packets in the stream (call) statistics.
- Simply divide the receiver lost packets by the total # of receiver packets.
- Jitter should also be kept at a minimum (< 100 ms).



Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7925G

SEP0013E0A05735

HOME
SETUP
NETWORK PROFILES +
USB SETTINGS
TRACE SETTINGS
WAVELINK SETTINGS
CERTIFICATES
CONFIGURATIONS
PHONE BOOK +
INFORMATION
NETWORK
WIRELESS LAN
DEVICE
STATISTICS
WIRELESS LAN
NETWORK
STREAM STATISTICS
STREAM 1
STREAM 2
SYSTEM
TRACE LOGS
BACKUP SETTINGS
PHONE UPGRADE
CHANGE PASSWORD
SITE SURVEY
DATE & TIME
PHONE RESTART

Phone DN 1188

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Stream Statistics			
RTP Statistics			
Domain Name	snmpUDPDomain	Remote Address	10.2.0.246
Remote Port	28928	Local Address	10.2.0.239
Local Port	19936	Sender Joins	2
Receiver Joins	2	Byes	1
Start Time	17:06:32	Row Status	Active
Host Name	SEP0013E0A05735	Sender DSCP	EF
Sender Packets	386	Sender Octets	97272
Sender Tool	G.722	Sender Reports	1
Sender Report Time	17:06:39	Sender Start Time	17:06:32
Receiver DSCP (Previous, Current)	EF, EF	Receiver Packets	377
Receiver Octets	90480	Receiver Tool	G.722
Receiver Lost Packets	0	Receiver Jitter	13
Receiver Reports	2	Receiver Start Time	17:06:32
Voice Quality Metrics			
MOSLQK	4.5000	Avg MOS LQK	4.5000
Min MOS LQK	4.5000	Max MOS LQK	4.5000
MOS LQK Version	0.95	Cumulative Conceal Ratio	0.0000
Interval Conceal Ratio	0.0000	Max Conceal Ratio	0.0000
Conceal Seconds	0	Severly Conceal Seconds	0

Refresh Stop

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Data Analysis

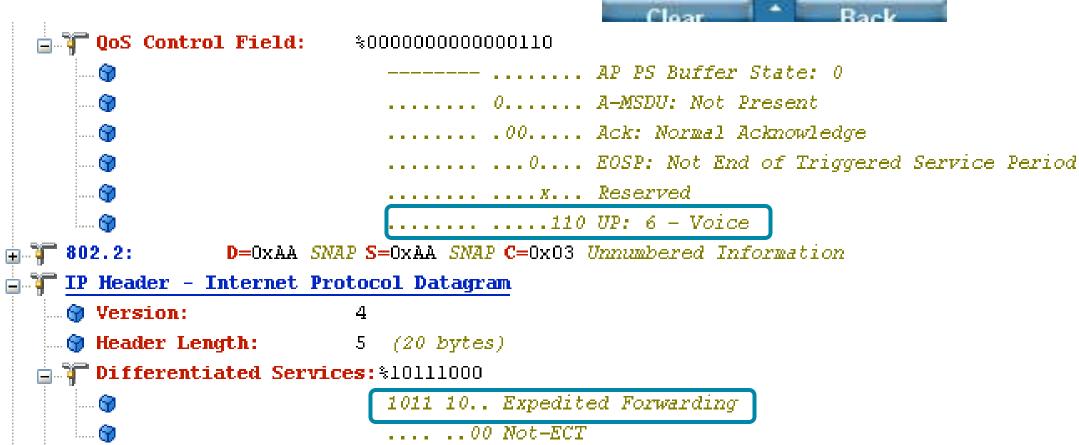
QoS Verification

 On the 792x phone, while on a call navigate to Settings > Status > Network Statistics

Check that the "DataRcvVO" counter is

incrementing

Packet Capture





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Network Statistics

DataRcvBK: 0

DataRcvVI: 0

DataRcvVO: 1990

View Network Statistics

Wireless Multimedia (WMM) a Wi-Fi Alliance subset of 802.11e

WLAN Configurations of WMM affect QoS Behaviors:

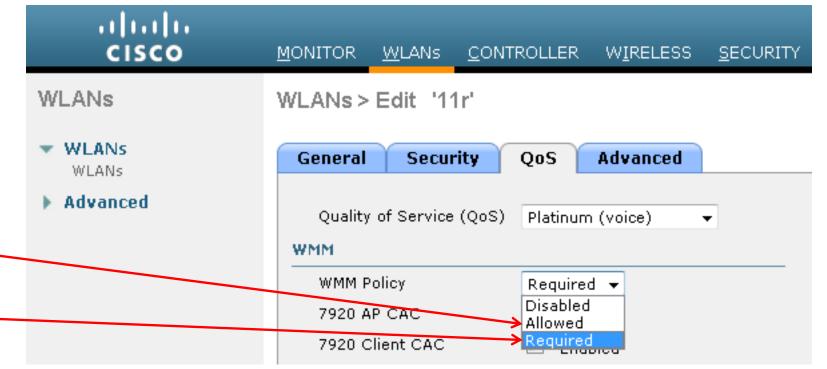
WMM Allowed

Non-WMM clients and WMM enabled Client can join

the WLAN

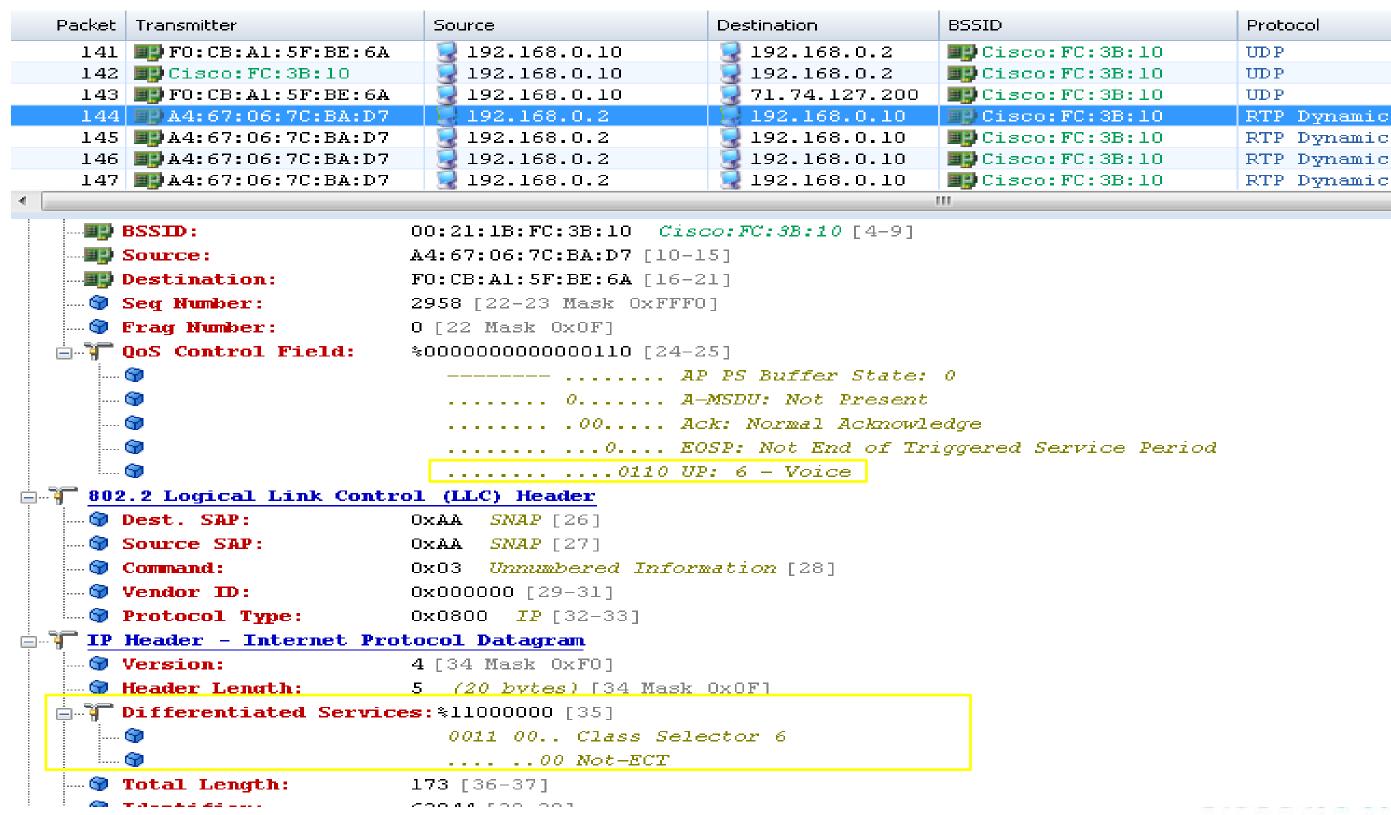
WMM Required

Only WMM enabled Clients can join the WLAN

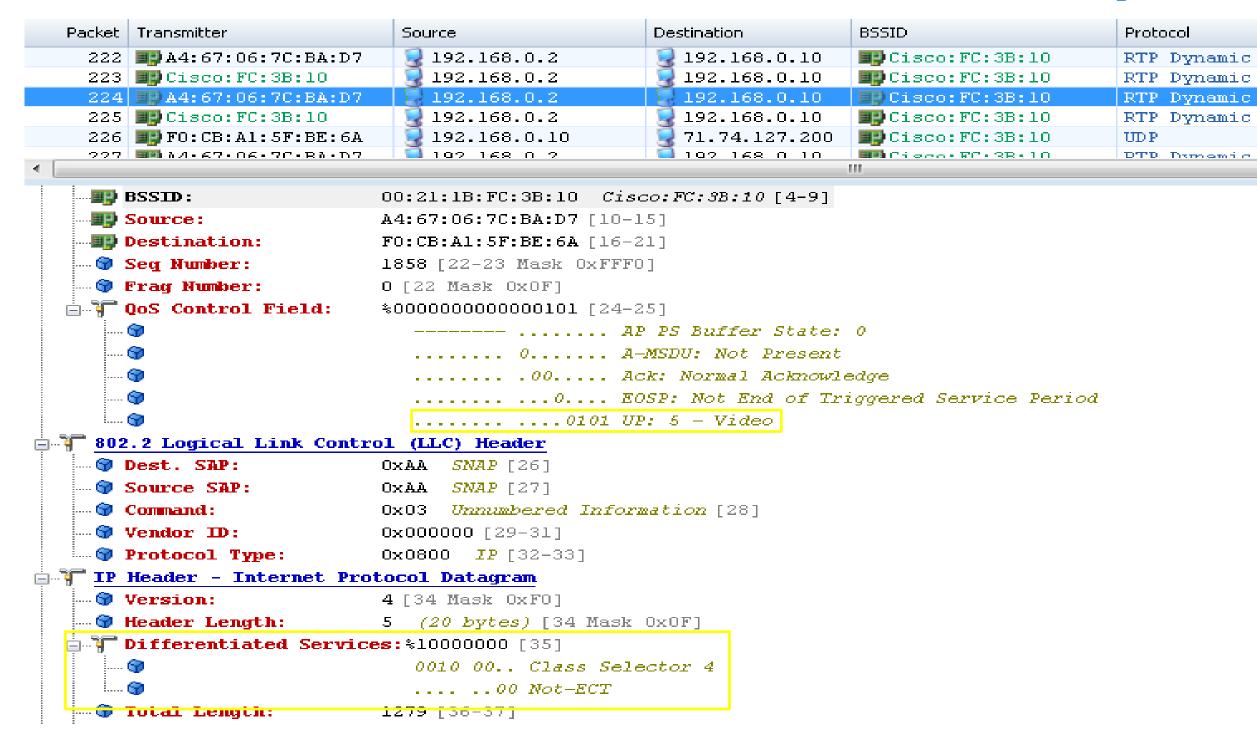


- WMM enabled Clients transmit all packets with WMM QoS Header
 - The Header QoS field contain
- Non-WMM Clients transmit no packets with WMM QoS Header
 - Non-WMM can not receive packets from the AP that have a WMM QoS Header
- All packets from and to Non-WMM Clients are sent with Best Effort Wi-Fi Channel Access, hence don't have QoS

FaceTime Voice Packet – With WMM Required



FaceTime Video Packet – With WMM Required





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FaceTime Voice or video Packets - with WMM Allowed

	Packet	Transmitter	Source	Destination	BSSID	Protocol				
	22	■ F0:CB:A1:5F:BE:6A	3 192.168.0.10	3 17.173.255.223	■Cisco:FC:3B:10	UDP				
	23	F0:CB:A1:5F:BE:6A	92.168.0.10	92.168.0.2	Cisco:FC:3B:10	UDP				
	24	F0:CB:A1:5F:BE:6A	3 192.168.0.10	3 71.74.127.200	ED Cisco:FC:3B:10	UDP				
	25	■ F0:CB:A1:5F:BE:6A	3 192.168.0.10	71.74.127.200	■PCisco:FC:3B:10	UDP				
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	😭 I	Duration:	44 Microseconds [2-3]							
		BSSID:	00:21:1B:FC:3B:10							
		Destination:	:1]							
	😭 :	Seq Number:	12 [22-23 Mask OxFFF0]							
	😭 I	Frag Number:	O [22 Mask OxOF]							
		QoS Control Field:	%000000000000000 [24-2	:5]						
	1	❤	AP PS Buffer State: 0							
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Differences in Receive sensitivity and Transmit power

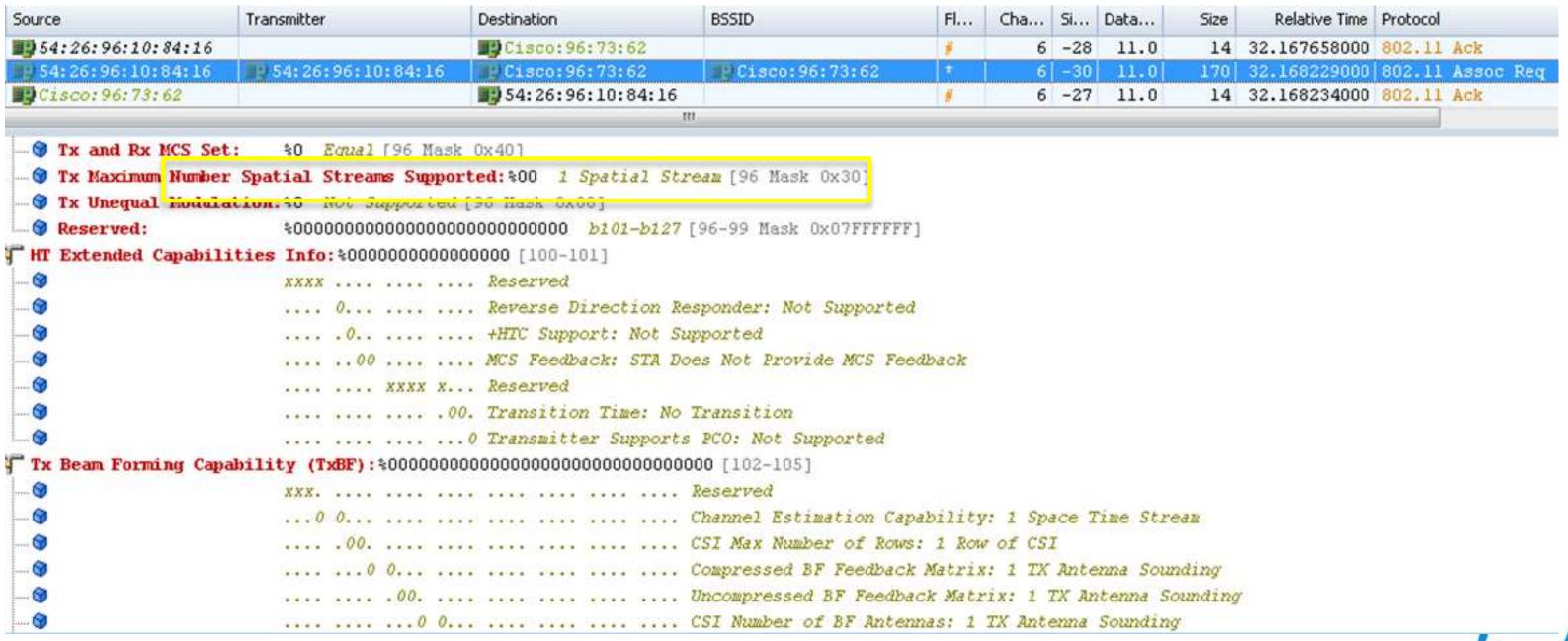


Conclusion: Do your coverage tests with the devices you will deploy!



iPhone 5 Spatial Streams and 40MHz bonding

This iPhone 5 Association Request shows the phone supports 1 Spatial Stream



Agenda

- Voice over WiFi Deployment recommendations and best practices
 - Voice over WiFi 101
 - VoWiFi RF Design
 - VoWiFi Configuration
 - What you should also know
 - Summary



SummaryKey Take Aways

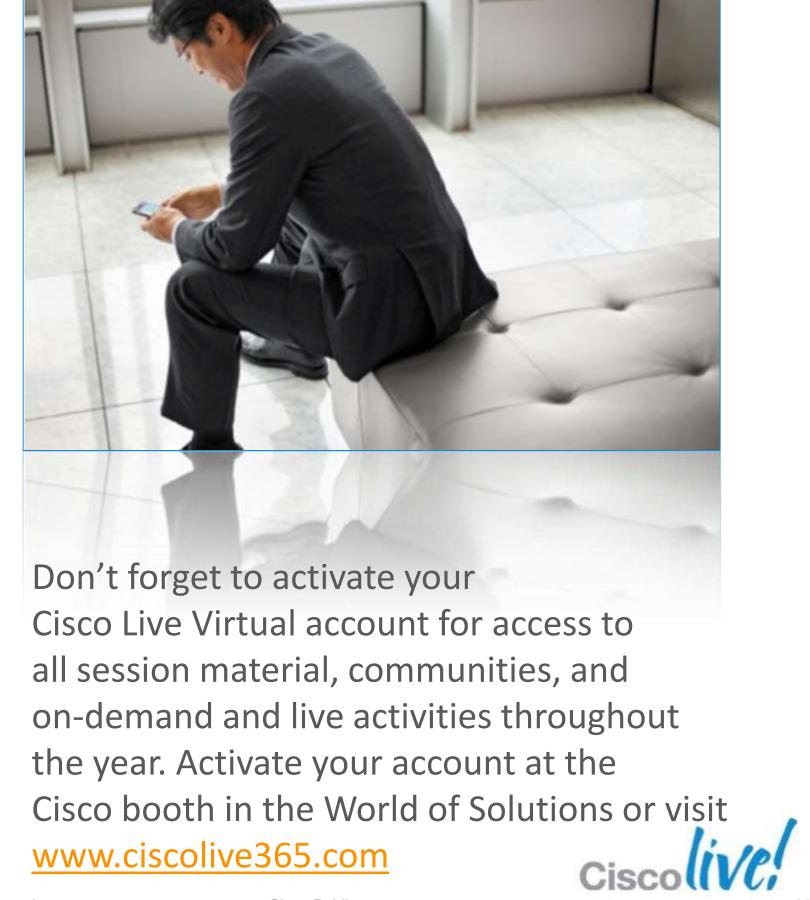
- RF: survey, survey, survey
- You can't just drop voice on a WiFi deployment and expect it to work
- Involve the users and value their feedback
- Design with the least powerful client in mind
- Implement Fast Secure Roaming techniques
- Study the Cisco Validated Design Guide and review this presentation



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