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Motivation

- Existing argument: "Emerging cognitive radio networks result in a technical and an economical conflict with the TV broadcast companies"
- Our view: Conflict → Opportunity
- Is it economically and technically viable for broadcast companies to utilize TV white spaces for
 - low-cost Internet provision
 - web-enabled TV services?

Research Goals

- Business Aspects of Cog-TV: **Dynamic pricing schemes** to balance demand between peak and non-peak periods; **infrastructure cost analysis** for Cog-TV integrated network.
- Neighborhood Watch : Analysis of **spectrum sensing accuracy** and correlation in the spectrum sensing information; **optimal sensing scheduling** algorithms to minimize sensing overhead and maximize bandwidth.
- Cog-TV-initiated Spectrum Handoff: Methodologies to estimate the opportune times to initiate **spectrum handoff**; strategies for broadcast companies to address the **self-competition challenge** that results in serving two types of customers: TV viewers and cognitive Internet users.

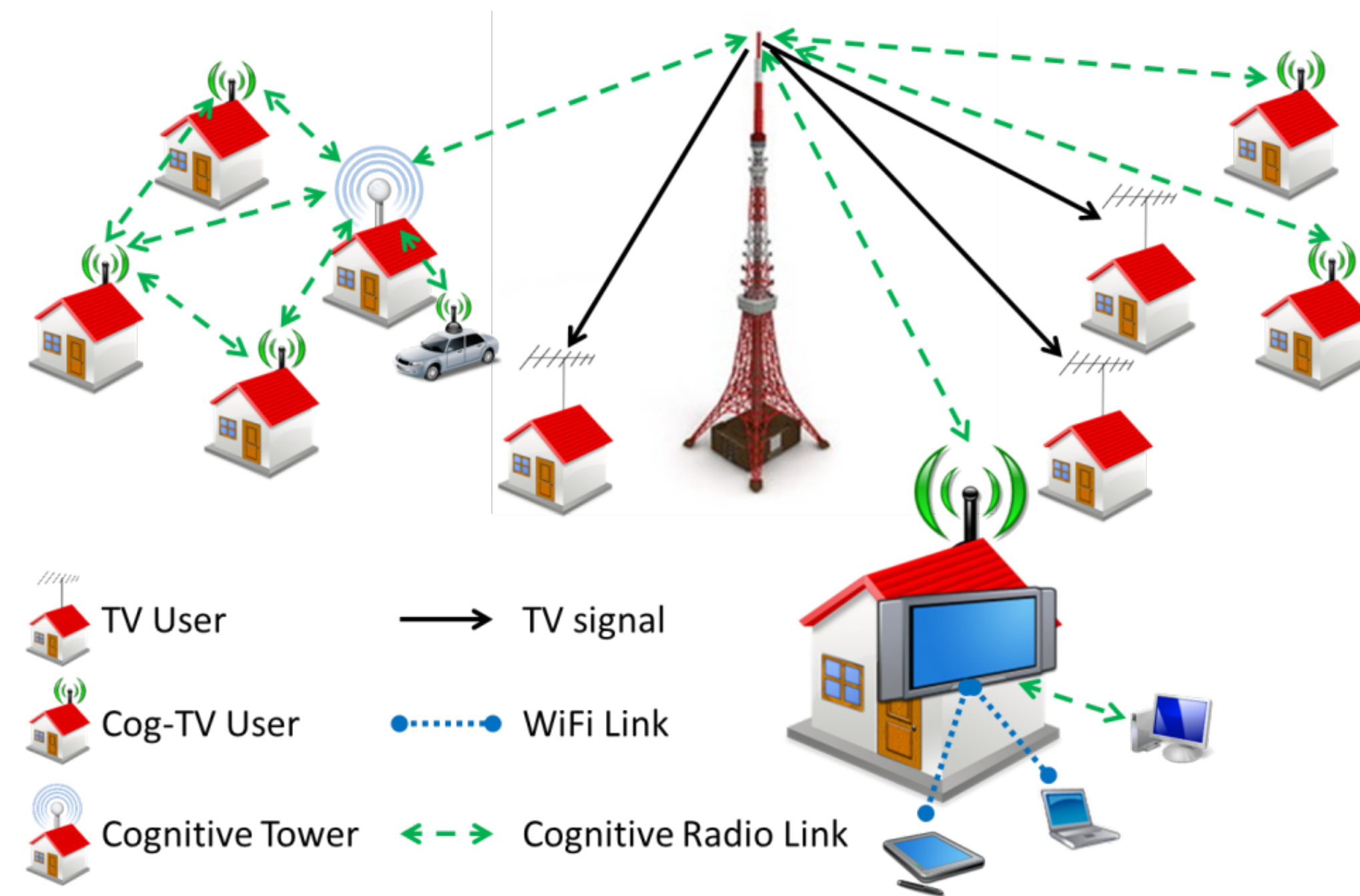
Cognitive radio-equipped TV sets (Cog-TVs)

- TV tuner, integrated CR interface, and Wi-Fi interface
- Cog-TV provides three main capabilities
 - Low-cost access to the Internet** in residential and commercial spaces
 - Interference measurement of TV services for **enhanced quality of user experience**
 - Localized collaborative spectrum sensing for **fine-grained spectrum management**

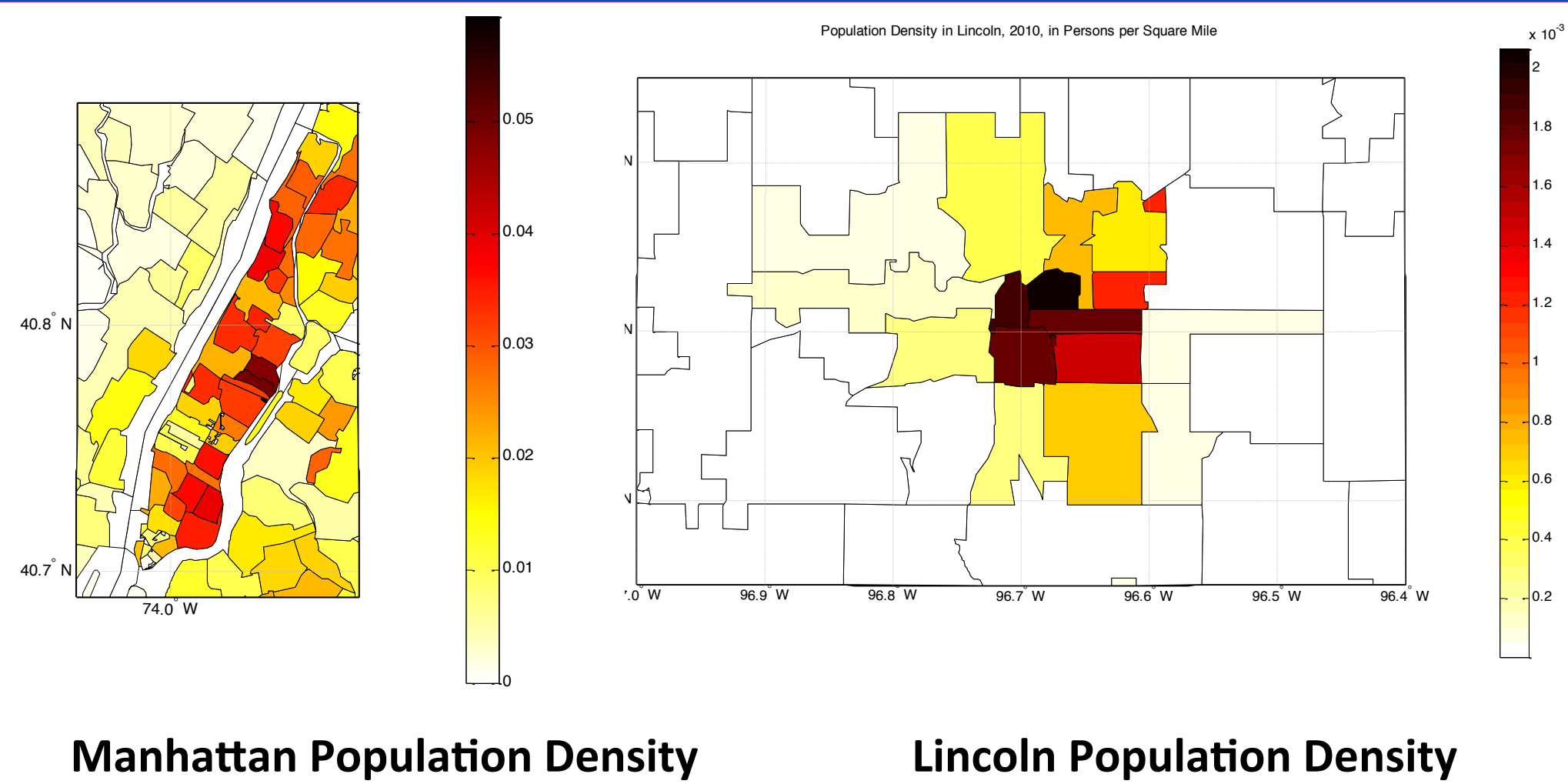
Potential Payoffs

- Enable **transformative** and **economically viable** CRN development and management approaches
- Bring **affordable Internet service** to a large group of American households
- Impact consumer market** by creating a niche market in new TV sets

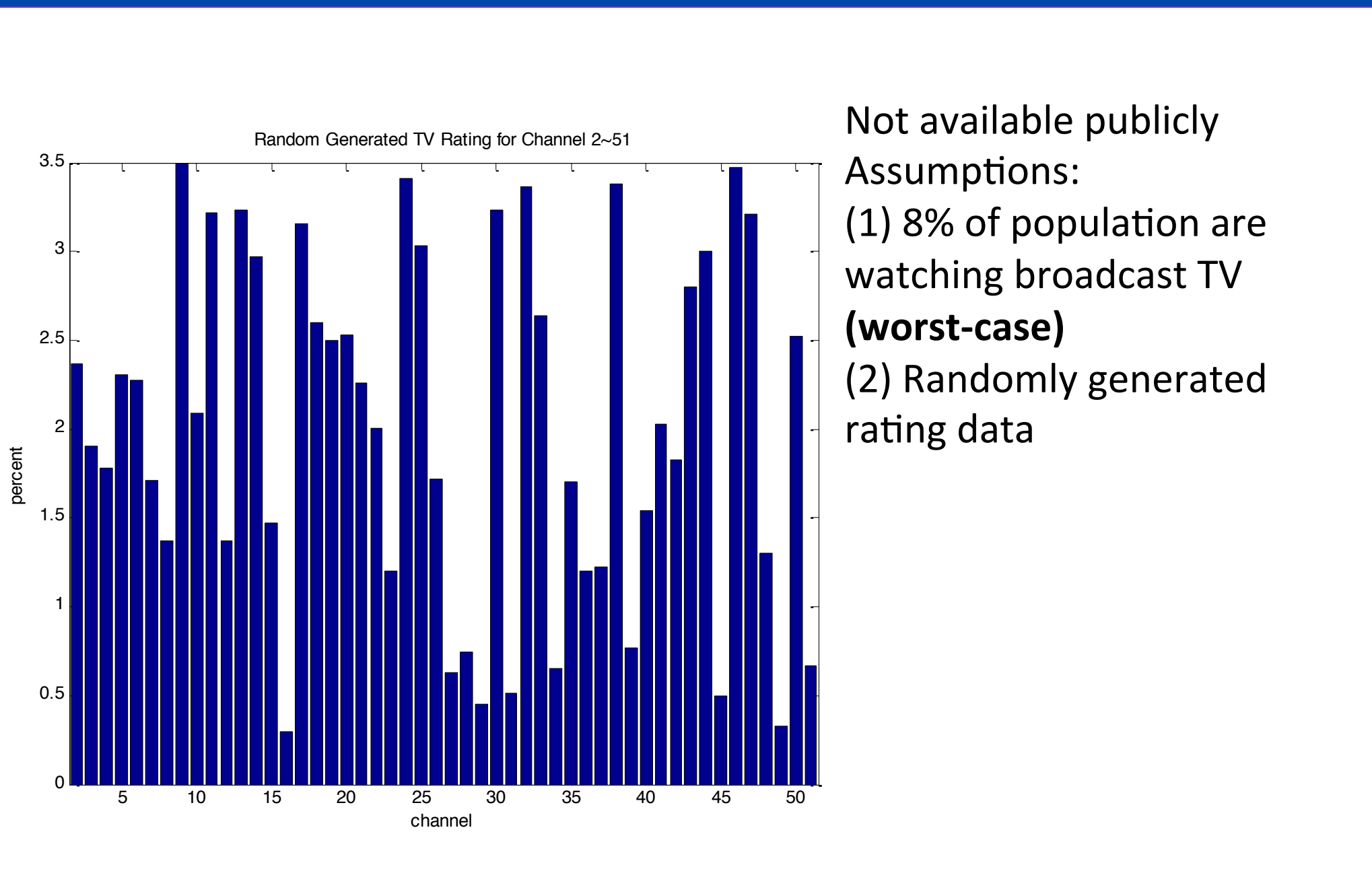
Cog-TV Network Architecture



Available Channel Capacity: Cog-TV vs. FCC

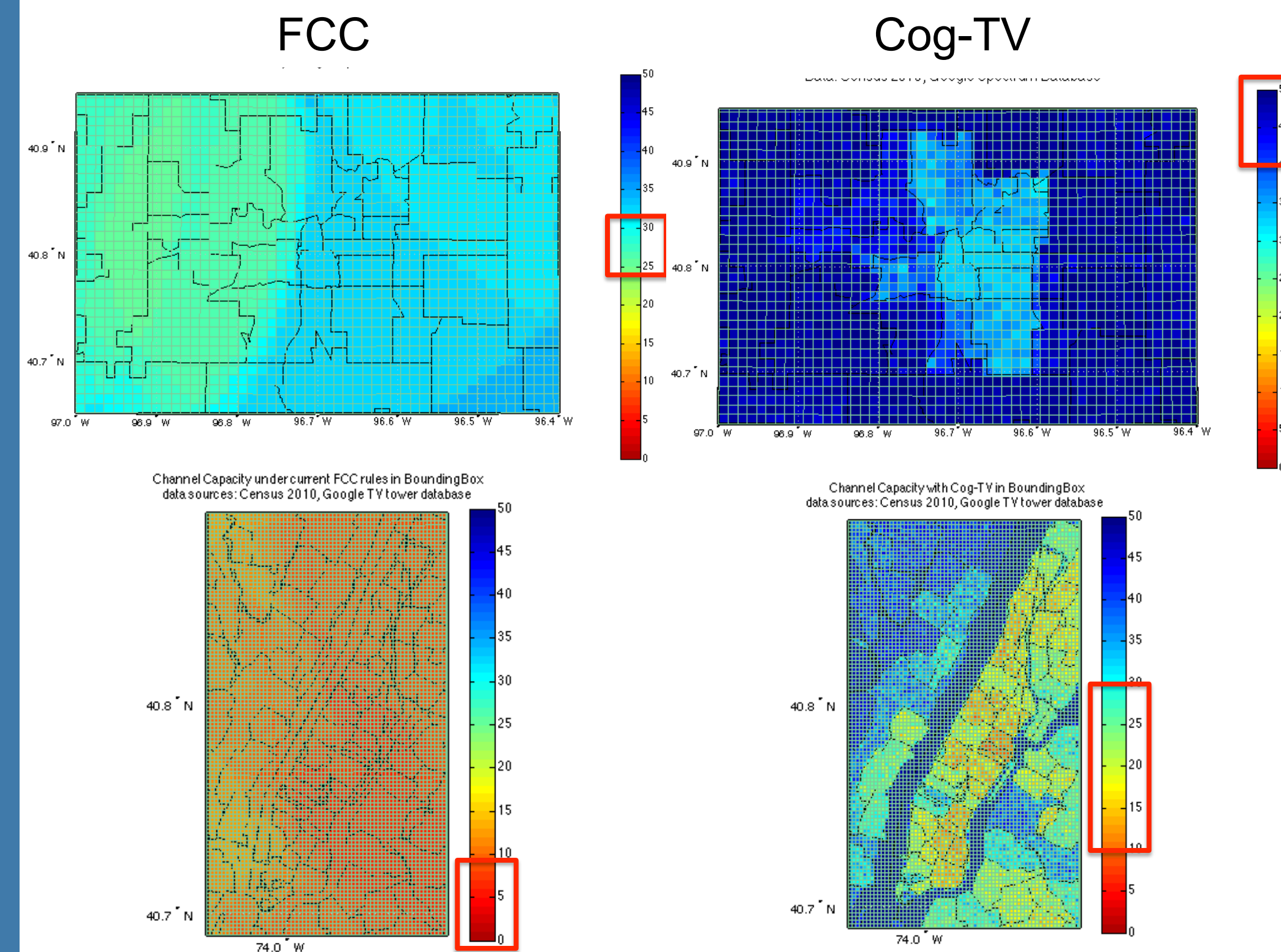


TV Ratings (Worst-Case, Static)

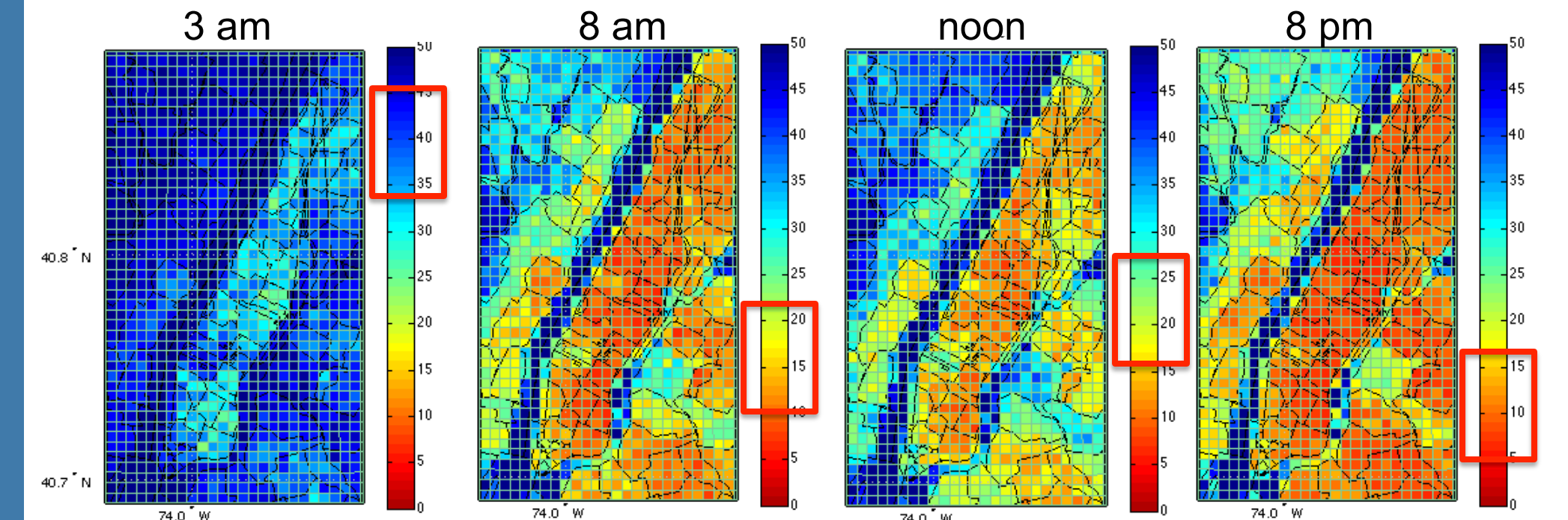
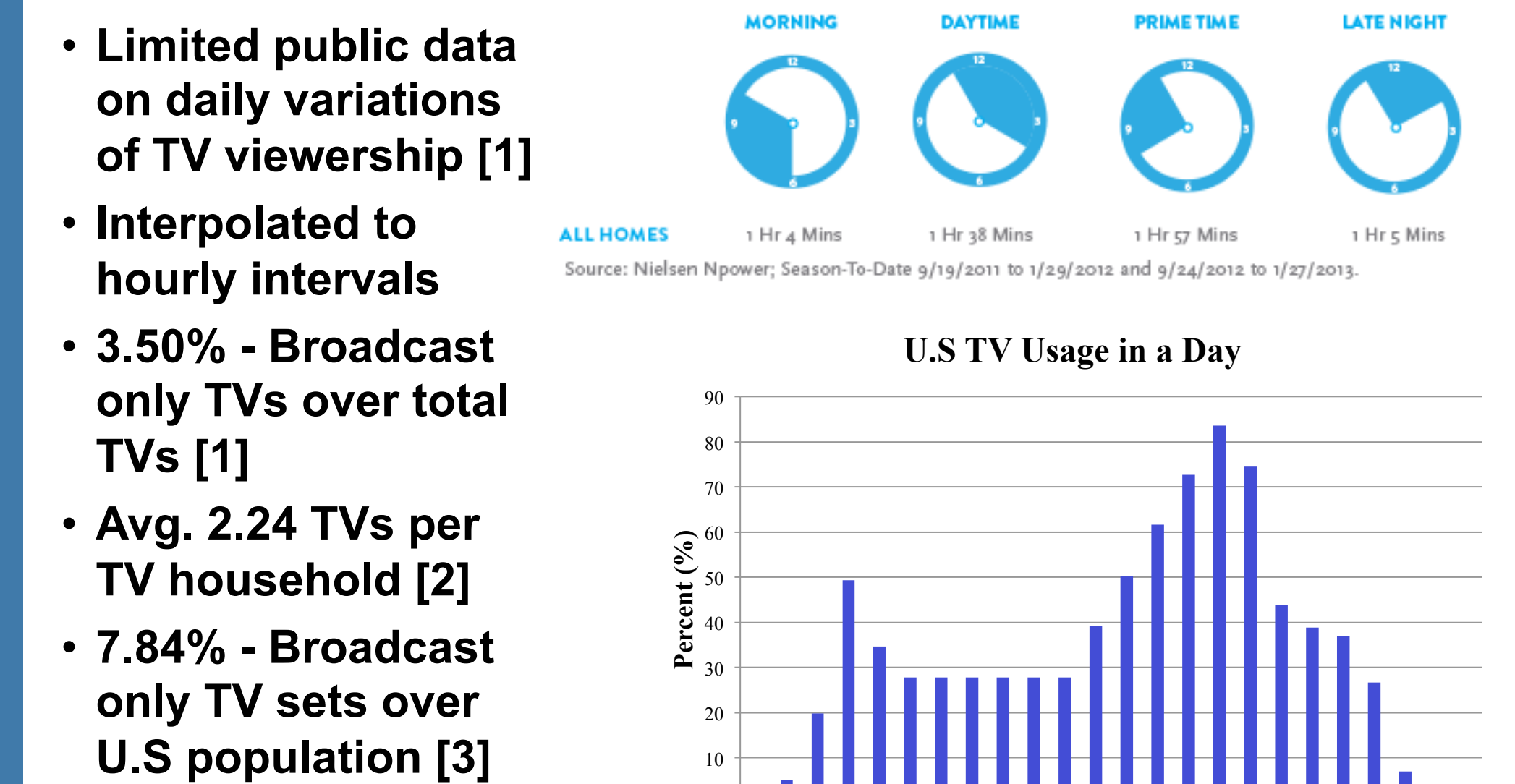


Results: Available TV Channels

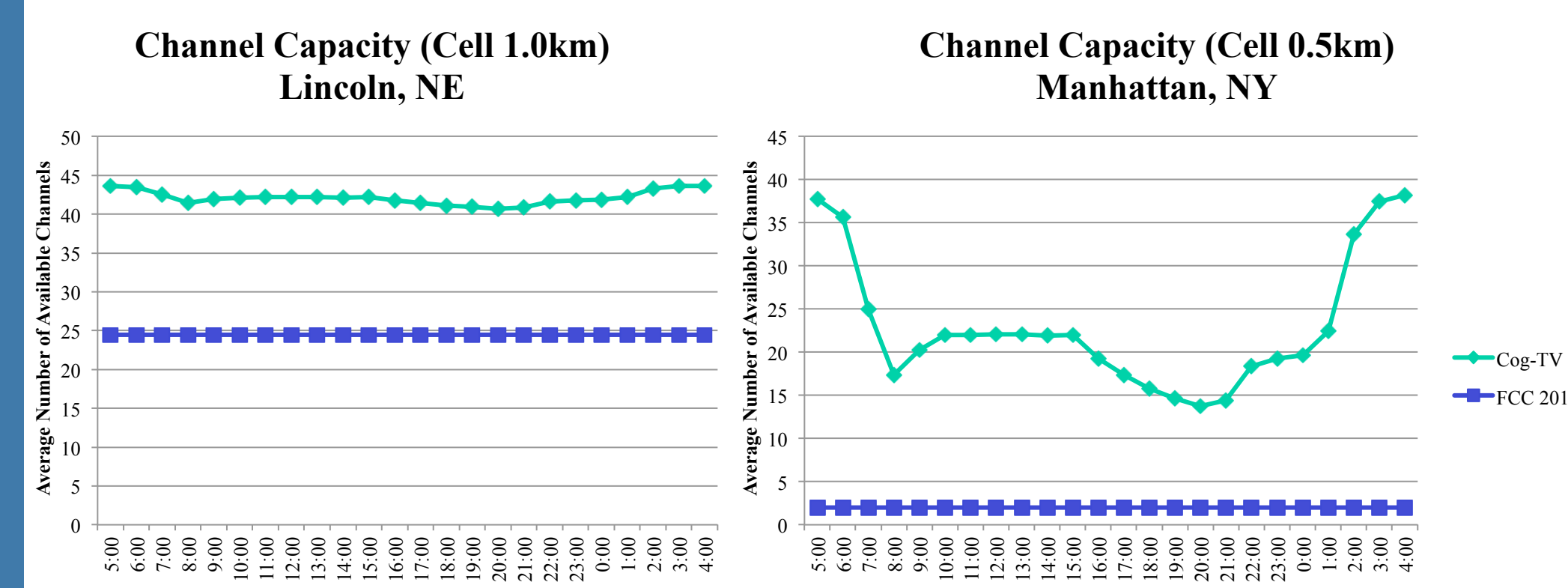
- Spatial distribution of available channels (Lincoln & Manhattan, NY)



Daily Variations of TV Viewership



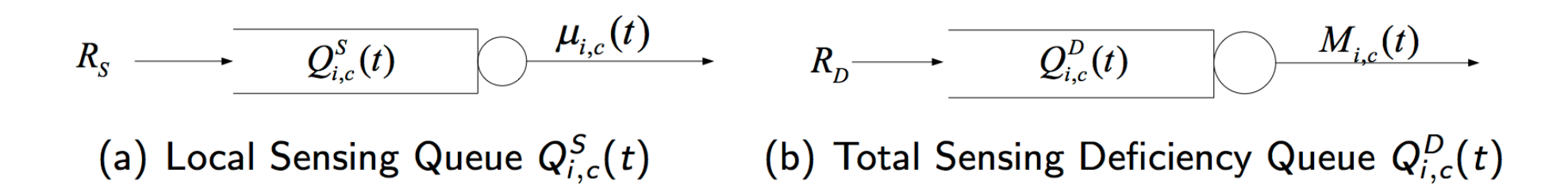
Daily Dynamics of Available Capacity



CORN²: Correlation-Based Cooperative Spectrum Sensing in CRNs [4]

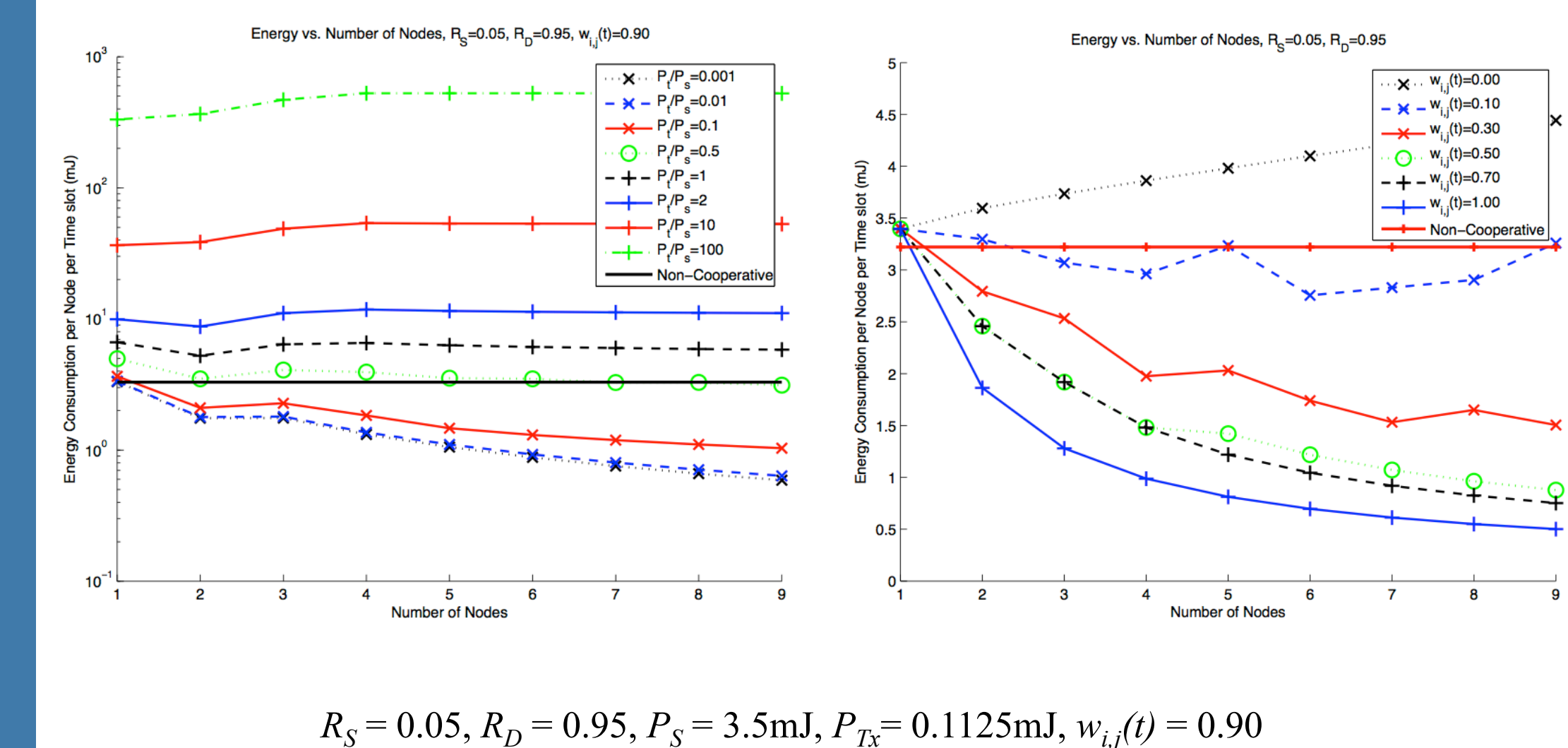
- Local information essential to assess spectral availability
- Most observations are highly correlated in **Space, Time, and Spectrum**
- Objective: Leverage correlations for cooperative spectrum sensing to minimize energy consumption
 Develop (centralized and distributed) sensing scheduling algorithms

Virtual Queue Concept



- Local Sensing Queue** ensures that nodes perform sensing at a rate $> R_S$ and do not cheat
- Sensing Deficiency Queue** ensures a sensing quality $> R_D$ by eliminating deficiency at rate $M_{i,c}(t)$
- The centralized solution ensures stability of all queues while minimizing total energy consumption
- If total contribution of all neighbors is bounded, then a fully distributed algorithm exists
- Bounded contribution holds for low SNR cases and when temporal correlation is high
- The resulting algorithm can be computed locally

Results: Energy Consumption / Node



$$R_S = 0.05, R_D = 0.95, P_S = 3.5mJ, P_{Tx} = 0.1125mJ, w_{ij}(t) = 0.90$$

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