6G: Beyond Communications Capabilities, Enabling Technologies, and Emerging Vertical Applications

Abstract:

The massive deployment of the fifth generation (5G) wireless networks are significantly accelerating the ongoing process of industrial and societal transformation. Disregard many impressive achievements, current scenario-specific, and communication-centric 5G technologies still face many challenges in empowering future applications with diverse requirements. The fundamental design consideration of the sixth generation (6G) networks is how to identify and meet its application-specific operational goals with beyond communications capabilities and constrained resources.

The focus of this presentation is to analyze the technical challenges of 6G, identify the essential key enabling technologies, and present the related ongoing research activities and future development directions. Different perspectives of the 6G networks, including the 6G operational goals, key performance indicators (KPIs), and emerging technologies, are analyzed and presented. Our recent research activities on 6G including multi-dimensional multiple access, network synchronization, integrated sensing and communication as well as value-oriented operations will be presented.

Biography:

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