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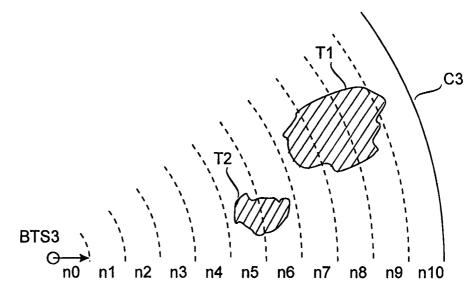
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(57) Abstract

The present invention relates to a method and an arrangement for determining a hot spot of telephone traffic in a cell. The invention uses simitaneously two basic measurements of digital radio systems: timing advance and adjacent cell measurement. Timing advance informs the distance (n0-n10) of the mobile station from the base station (BTS3) but not the direction. On the basis of the measured signal strengths of adjacent cells it is possible to determine a set of possible locations (T1, T2) of the mobile station when there is information about the coverage area of individual



adjacent cells. When these measurements are used simultaneously, they exclude the inaccuracies of each other and enable very accurate location determination for monotoring traffic distribution. Timing advance is utilized to determine a set of circular, base-station-centric areas (n0-n10) and adjacent cell measurements are utilized to determine the direction of the mobile station to the base station (BTS3).

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