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# Software Defined Radio – State of the Art and Look Ahead

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# **Mobile Radio Communications**

- SDR Signal Processing
- **Mobile Communication Channels**
- **Parameter Controlled SDR**
- **Spectrum Pooling**
- Modular SDR



#### obile Spectrum in Europe



## obile Radio Standards





## obile Subscribers

**Million Subscribers** 





## erarchical Cells



#### Source: UMTS Task Force Report



## obile Services





#### ne Key Question

Pesonal Area Networks

Wireless Local Area Networks

**Cordless Phones** 

**Cellular Networks** 

**Broadcast Networks** 

Satellite Networks

**Pico Cells Micro Cells** 

Makro Cells

**Global Cells** 

Data Video

Voice

**Multimedia** 

Location & Navigation

Infotainment

What does a subscriber need:

One specific device for each and every situation or one device that serves all situations?



## andards

#### **Definition:**

A <u>communications standard</u> is a set of documents that describes the functions of a communication system in such a way that a manufacturer can develop terminals or infrastructure equipment on this basis.

#### **Remarks:**

- (i) Standardization is one necessary condition for making a communication system successful on the market.
- (ii) Today, standardization encompasses all kinds of communication networks.



Will standards continue to play an outstanding role in future communication systems?



# **AN: Bluetooth**

 Personal Area (short distance) Network

 enables links between mobile computers, mobile phones, portable devices, connectivity to the Internet etc.

Frequency range	2.4 GHz (ISM band)
Channel bandwith	1 MHz
Access mode	TDMA
Duplex mode	TDD
Users per carrier frequency	8 maximum
Modulation	FH sync. to master station, GFSK with modulation index between 0.28 and 0.35
Error correction code	
Bit (chip) rate	1 Mbit/s
Number of bits (chips) per burst (slot)	625
Frame duration	
Number of bursts (slots) per frame	
Burst (slot) duration	0.625 ms
Maximum cell radius	5 – 10 m (1 mW Tx power)
Spreading sequences	
Spreading factor	
Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	Gauss (BT = 0.5)
Net data rate	1 Mbit/s
Evolutionary concepts	
Comparable systems	

# LAN: IEEE 802.11a

- high data rate
- multimedia
- connection to internet
- e-mail
- pedestrian speed
- ad hoc networking possible

	Frequency range	5.5 GHz
	Channel bandwith	25 MHz
	Access mode	FDMA/TDMA
	Duplex mode	Half duplex
	Users per carrier frequency	
	Modulation	OFDM with subcarrier modulation BPSK /QPSK /16QAM /64QAM
	Error correction code	Convolutional
	Bit (chip) rate	6/9/12/18/24/36/48/54 Mbit/s
	Number of bits (chips) per burst (slot)	52 modulated symbols per OFDM symbol
	Frame duration	Packets of several 100 µs
	Number of bursts (slots) per frame	variable
B M	Burst (slot) duration	1 OFDM symbol of 3.3 μs + 0.8 μs guard time
	Maximum cell radius	Some 10 m
	Spreading sequences	
	Spreading factor	
	Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	
N	Net data rate	Up to 25 Mbit/s
	Evolutionary concepts	IEEE802.11n, WIGWAM
	Comparable systems	HiperLAN/2



# **ORDLESS: DECT**

- voice and low data rate
- pedestrian speed
- cordless connection to ISDN
- well suited for home and office applications

Frequency range	1900 MHz
Channel bandwith	1728 kHz
Access mode	FDMA/TDMA
Duplex mode	FDD
Users per carrier frequency	12
Modulation	GMSK
Error correction code	No (CRC)
Bit (chip) rate	1152 kbit/s
Number of bits (chips) per burst (slot)	480 (DECT P32)
Frame duration	10 ms
Number of bursts (slots) per frame	24
Burst (slot) duration	0.417 ms
Maximum cell radius	300 m
Spreading sequences	
Spreading factor	
Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	Gauss (BT = 0.5)
Net data rate	36 kbit/s
Evolutionary concepts	
Comparable systems	PHS, PACS, WACS



# **ELLULAR 2G: GSM**

- voice and low data rate
- car speed
- seamless handoff
- national and international roaming
- wireless connection to ISDN

Frequency range	900, 1800 or 1900 MHz
Channel bandwith	200 kHz
Access mode	FDMA/TDMA
Duplex mode	FDD
Users per carrier frequency	8
Modulation	GMSK
Error correction code	CRC, convolutional
Bit (chip) rate	270.833 kbit/s
Number of bits (chips) per burst (slot)	156.25
Frame duration	4.615 ms
Number of bursts (slots) per frame	8
Burst (slot) duration	0.577 ms
Maximum cell radius	35 km (10 km)
Spreading sequences	
Spreading factor	
Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	Gauss (BT = 0.3)
Net data rate	13 kbit/s
Evolutionary concepts	GPRS, HSCSD, EDGE
Comparable systems	IS-136, PDC



# volution in Mobile (DATA) Communication



# **ELLULAR 3G: UMTS-FDD**

- wireless multimedia
- car speed
- seamless (soft) handoff
- national and international roaming
- wireless connection to ISDN and Internet

Frequency range	2 GHz
Channel bandwith	5 MHz
Access mode	Direct Sequence (DS) CDMA
Duplex mode	FDD
Users per carrier frequency	
Modulation	QPSK
Error correction code	Convolutional, turbo, CRC
Bit (chip) rate	3.840 Mchip/s
Number of bits (chips) per burst (slot)	2560
Frame duration	10 ms
Number of bursts (slots) per frame	15
Burst (slot) duration	0.667 ms
Maximum cell radius	Few km
Spreading sequences	User specific OVSF codes, cell specific
	scrambling
Spreading factor	2 <sup>k</sup> (k= 2, 3,, 8) 512 for downlink only
Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	Root raised cosine, rolloff factor 0.22
Net data rate	8 kbit/s to 2 Mbit/s
Evolutionary concepts	HSDPA
Comparable systems	cdma2000, UMTS-TDD



## **IR: TETRA**

Professional **Mobile Radio** 

voice and low data rate

well suited for police and fire department services

mobile to mobile connection possible

Frequency range	400 MHz
Channel bandwith	25 kHz
Access mode	TDMA
Duplex mode	FDD/TDD
Users per carrier frequency	4
Modulation	π/4-DQPSK
Error correction code	CRC, Reed-Muller, RCPC codes
Bit (chip) rate	36 kbit/s
Number of bits (chips) per burst (slot)	510 (255 symbols)
Frame duration	56.67 ms
Number of bursts (slots) per frame	4
Burst (slot) duration	14.167 ms
Maximum cell radius	
Spreading sequences	
Spreading factor	
Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	Root raised cosine, roll-off factor 0.3
Net data rate	Up to 28.8 kbit/s
Evolutionary concepts	
Comparable systems	TETRAPOL



# ocation & Navigation: GPS

- self location of (mobile) users
- navigation
- high speed
- direct Sequence
   Spread Spectrum
   modulation

Frequency range	1200, 1500 MHz
Channel bandwith	
Access mode	
Duplex mode	
Users per carrier frequency	
Modulation	Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum: BPSK
Error correction code	
Bit (chip) rate	50 bit/s
Number of bits (chips) per burst (slot)	
Frame duration	15 s (7500 bit)
Number of bursts (slots) per frame	5 subframes
Burst (slot) duration	30 s
Maximum cell radius	
Spreading sequences	Gold or PRN code
Spreading factor	1023 or 10230
Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	
Net data rate	
Evolutionary concepts	Galileo
Comparable systems	GLONASS



## / Broadcast: DVB-T

- broadcast service
- mobile reception possible, even at high speeds
- OFDM modulation

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Frequency range	VHF, UHF
Channel bandwith	7 (VHF) or 8 MHz (UHF)
Access mode	FDMA
Duplex mode	
Users per carrier frequency	
Modulation	OFDM with subcarrier modulation QPSK/16QAM/64QAM
Error correction code	Reed-Solomon, convolutional
Bit (chip) rate	9.143 Msamples/s for a 8 MHz channel
Number of hite (chine) per huret (clot)	2k-mode: 2048 + guard interval
	8k-mode: 8192 + guard interval
Frame duration	68 OFDM symbols
Number of bursts (slots) per frame	68
Ruret (clot) duration	2k-mode: 224 µs + guard time
	8k-mode: 896 µs + guard time
Maximum cell radius	
Spreading sequences	
Spreading factor	
Bit (chip) pulse shaping filter	Rectangular, other filtering possible
Net data rate	49.8 to n31.67 Mbit/s
Evolutionary concepts	
Comparable systems	DAB



#### andards Summary

A radio communication standard defines transmission systems w.r.t. specific services like voice, video, data, multimedia, broadcast, location, navigation etc.

The accompanying transmission modes and protocols depend on data rate bandwidth, velocity, type of service etc.

> Mobile radio communication starts with the channel properties.





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#### **Iperhet Receiver**





#### rect Conversion

Conversion of the antenna signal to the complex baseband in one step



Zero IF receiver : RF and A/D units



## **MTS/GSM Multimode receiver: GSM Mode**



from: Brian J. Minnis, Paul A. Moore: A Highly Digitized Multimode Receiver Architecture for 3G Mobiles, IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, Vol. 52, 2003, pp. 637-653



# **MTS/GSM Multimode Receiver: UMTS Mode**



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#### **Iperhet vs. Direct Conversion**

	Pros	Cons	preferred for SDR
Superhet Receiver	<ul> <li>high sensitivity</li> <li>high selectivity</li> <li>no I/Q mismatch, if bandpass sub-sampling is applied</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>monolithic integration is difficult</li> <li>tradeoff between gain, noise figure, stability and power dissipation in the amplifier is necessary</li> <li>ADC: high resolution at high sampling rate, aperture jitter</li> </ul>	no
Direct Conversion Receiver	<ul> <li>- no IF processing</li> <li>- no mirror frequencies</li> <li>- LNA simple to realize</li> <li>- monolithic integra- tion possible</li> </ul>	- DC offset - LO leakage - I/Q matching necessary	yes



## **DCs: FLASH**

- fast
- easy to implement
- chip area, costs and complexity increase with 2<sup>N</sup> (N resolution in bit)
- resolution ≤ 10 bit



from: J.Reed.: Software Radio, Prentice Hall, Upper Saddle River, NJ, 2002



## **DCs: Multistage**

 less chip area, lower power consumption, lower cost than FLASH

#### small latency





from: B.Brannon et al.: *Data Conversion in Software Defined Radios*, in W. Tuttlebee (ed.): Software Defined Radio-Enabling Technologies, Wiley, Chichester, UK, 2002

"a popular architecture used in many SDR applications"



#### DCs: ΣΔ

• "ΣΔ modulators offer an attractive approach to realizing high performance analog-to-digital conversion without relying on the use of high precision and accurately trimmed analog components."



from: B.Brannon et al.: *Data Conversion in Software Defined Radios*, in W. Tuttlebee (ed.): Software Defined Radio-Enabling Technologies, Wiley, Chichester, UK, 2002

" $\Sigma \Delta$  ADCs are well suited for use in SDR"



## **Ample Rate Conversion**

The anlog frontend of an SDR is usually implemented as a direct conversion receiver. The sample rate of the ADCs in the I and Q branches is fixed:

The ADCs always work at maximum speed.

The tasks of the sample rate conversion are:

- Adjustment of the sample rate according to the standard of the received signal.
- Sampling at the symbols' eye pattern maximum.



## **Ample Rate Conversion**

Sample rate conversion by a rational factor  $\alpha = \frac{1}{1}$ :

Pay attention to aliasing! The implementation of g(t) is important.

 $\begin{array}{c} \bullet & I \\ \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet \\ \bullet & \bullet \\ \end{array} \\ t \\ \hline T_1 \\ \hline T_2 = \alpha T_1 \\ \hline T_1 \\ \hline T_2 = \alpha T_1 \\ \hline T_1 \\ \hline T_2 = \alpha T_1 \\ \hline T_2 = \alpha T_1 \\ \hline T_1 \\ \hline T_2 = \alpha T_1 \\ \hline T_2 = \alpha T_1 \\ \hline T_1 \\ \hline T_2 = \alpha T_2 \\ \hline T_2$ 

 $-\frac{1}{2} \qquad 0 \qquad \frac{1}{2}$ 



Eye pattern:

## **ample Rate Conversion**

#### Example:

From 
$$f_1 = \frac{1}{T_1} = 30.720$$
 MHz (8 x UMTS chip rate)

to 
$$f_2 = \frac{1}{T_2} = 1.08333$$
 MHz (4 x GSM bit rate)

$$\xrightarrow{f_1} 64 \downarrow \longrightarrow g_{d,1} \longrightarrow 13 \uparrow \longrightarrow g_{i,1} \longrightarrow 9 \downarrow \longrightarrow g_{d,2} \longrightarrow 25 \uparrow \longrightarrow g_{i,2} \longrightarrow 16 \downarrow \longrightarrow g_{d,3} \longrightarrow$$

$$f_{1} = 8 \cdot 3840 \text{ kHz} = 2^{11} \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \text{ kHz}$$

$$f_{2} = 4 \cdot 270.833 \text{ kHz} = \frac{2 \cdot 5^{3} \cdot 13}{3} \text{ kHz}$$

$$\frac{f_{2}}{f_{1}} = \frac{2 \cdot 5^{3} \cdot 13}{3 \cdot 2^{11} \cdot 3 \cdot 5} = \frac{1}{64} \cdot 13 \cdot \frac{1}{9} \cdot 25 \cdot \frac{1}{16}$$

## odulation

Modulation is the mapping of information bits to symbols, the pulse shaping and the up-conversion of the signal to the radio frequency.



for linear modulators:



# odulation



#### emodulation

All linearily modulated signals can be demodulated with the same demodulator structure (here coherent demodulation)

- project the signal onto the
   I- and Q-components
- compute the angle between the positive I-axis and the signal
- decide for the symbol





PREADING



A direct sequence spread spectrum (DSSS) signal is twice modulated.



#### AKE

- Ideally, the rake fully compensates the mobile radio channel's spectral selectivity.
- At the RAKE's output the signal-to-interference ratio equals E<sub>b</sub>/(2N<sub>0</sub>).
- The RAKE is <u>not</u> a measure against MAI.



**RAKE** (e.g. for antipodal signaling)


# ultiple Access Interference (MAI)





# ulti User Detector (MUD)

## MUDs

- suppress MAI
- are complex
- (i.e. expensive)

Optimum MUDs like the Maximum A Posteriori Detector (MAPD) or the Maximum Likelihood Sequence Detector (MLSD) are too complex for a realization.



Linear MUDs and iterative solutions are investigated.





mode can be BPSK, QPSK, 8PSK, 16QAM or 64QAM.





# oding

By coding we mean forward error correction (FEC) coding.

All codes schemes in mobile communications (CRC, block, convolutional, turbo) are binary.

I.e. all encoders are built up of linear (recursive) shift registers (and interleavers).

All coding schemes can be realized from the same parameter controlled structure.

addition	÷	0	1	
	0	0	1	
	1	1	0	
multiplication	•	0	1	
	0	0	0	
	1	0	1	

With the addition + and the multiplication •  $GF(2) = \{0; 1\}$  forms are a field.

Most coding schemes are bit oriented, i. e. GF(2) algebra is used.

Generalizations: GF(2<sup>k</sup>)



# ncoders





# ecoding

Soft decision TURBO decoder:

MAP (log-MAP, MAX-log) Algorithm

Soft decision convolutional decoder:

Viterbi Algorithm

Block decoder





# oper Layers

Parameter control for SDRs has to be extended to upper layer protocols.

- Many protocol functions for ISDN subscriber signaling are included in different air interfaces (e.g. DECT, GSM/GPRS, UMTS, HiperLAN/2).
- Protocols for user data transport are to a great extent identical and independent of the specific radio standard (c.f. HDLC protocol family).

#### **Solution:**

Development of an adaptive protocol stack utilizing generic layer protocols and standard specific supplements thereof.



## oper Layers

 The protocols are formally specified in SDL (Specification and Description Language)

 Realisation of generic C++ classes (as part of the specification) and standard specific classes derived from them (e.g. for GSM, DECT, UMTS etc.)

 Combination of the realized air interfaces, realized by generic protocols, for parameter controlled SDR

 Activation of a specific protocol stack by loading the appertaining parameter set from the local ROM or by download over an air interface





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#### nannels

# The most important topic in mobile communications is knowledge about the transmission channel.



$$k(t) = g(t) * f(t) * h(t) \longrightarrow K(f) = G(f) \cdot F(f) \cdot H(f)$$
$$r(mT) = A(mT) + \sum_{n \neq m} A(nT)k((m-n)T)$$

**Inter Symbol Interference (ISI)** 



# nannels

In addition to free space attenuation  $L = \left[\frac{4\pi Rf}{c}\right]^2$ 

several effects have to

be considered for mobile communication channels:

 multipath with diffraction, reflection and scattering

- slow and fast fading
- Doppler shift and Doppler spread

random noise







Summing up the signal of different paths leads strong variations of the field strength at the receiver, the minima of the field strength are at a distance of about half the wavelength. This effect is called fast fading.

The underlying variation of the field strength's mean value is called slow fading.





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single path: Doppler shift

$$\Delta \mathbf{f}_{\mathsf{D}} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\lambda} \, \mathbf{\cos} \, \boldsymbol{\theta}$$



# nannel Models







# ultipath Coefficients





# ualization

#### The principle of channel measurement

white noise:X (t)  
$$(N_0/2) d(t)$$
k (t)  
K (f)output process:Y (t)  
 $J_{YY}(t)$ ACF: $(N_0/2) d(t)$  $K(f)$ ACF: $j_{YY}(t)$ power spectral density: $N_0/2$  $K(f)$  $F_{YY}(f)$ 

estimation of the cross power spectral density:  $\stackrel{\wedge}{F}_{xy}(f) = \stackrel{\wedge}{F}_{xx}(f) K(f) = \frac{N_0}{2} K(f) \Longrightarrow K(f) = \frac{2 \stackrel{\wedge}{F}_{xy}(f)}{N_0}$ 

The cross correlation function (ccf) is estimated by transmission/reception of a pseudo noise signal:

$$\frac{2}{N_0} \stackrel{\wedge}{F}_{xy}(f) = \stackrel{\wedge}{K}(f) \stackrel{\longrightarrow}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\wedge}{k}(t) = \frac{2}{N_0} \stackrel{\wedge}{j}_{xy}(t)$$
assumption : stationarity

The fact that the mobile communication channel is non stationary is taken into account by blockwise transmission and using midambles.



# ualization

The decision feedback equalizer tries to remove the effects of multipaths on the received signal r(t).











#### efinitions

- **Digital Radio (DR):** The baseband signal processing is invariably implemented on a DSP.
- Software Radio (SR): An ideal SR directly samples the antenna output.
- Software Defined Radio (SDR): An SDR is a presently realizable version of an SR: Signals are sampled after a suitable band selection filter.
- Cognitive Radio (CR): A CR combines an SR with a PDA and connects its owner to INs.



# **Generation Network?**



# **G / WLAN Multi Mode Receivers**

# UMTS:

- licensed frequency band
- third generation standard
- suited for outdoor and higher velocities
- ➡ moderate data rates
- WLAN (e.g. HiperLAN/2, IEEE 802.11a):
- ➡ ISM band
- ➡ small providers
- mainly developed for indoor
- well suited for hot spot coverage
- ➡ stationary terminals
- ➡ high data rates









# **LAN/UMTS** Application

- Notebook University Karlsruhe (TH) (NUKATH)
- With their notebook computers students use a IEEE 802.11a connection to the university's while being present at the campus, in busses, streetcars, or at home they are connected via UTRA-FDD.
- The project is funded by the German Ministry of Research and Technology and sponsored by industry
- The Departments of Computer Science, of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, of Architecture, and of Social Sciences are carrying out the project
  - The Communications Engineering Lab is responsible for the transmission technology that is based on a UMTS/WLAN PaC-SDR
    - A "field trial" with 20 students took place during the summer 2003



#### ellular Air Interfaces

	GSM	IS-136	UTRA-FDD		
hannel spacing	200 kHz	30 kHz	5 MHz		
access mode	FDMA/TDMA	FDMA/TDMA	Direct Sequence (DS), CDMA		
luplex mode	FDD/TDD	FDD/TDD	FDD		
isers per carrier frequency	8	3	depends on the situation		
net data rate	13 kbit/s	7.95 kbit/s	8 kbit/s to 2 Mbit/s		
nodulation mode	GMSK	π/ 4 - DQPSK	QPSK		
channel coding	CRC, convolutional	CDC convolutional	convolutional, turbo,		
		CRC, convolutional	CRC with interleaving		
symbol duration	3.692 μs	41.14 μs	depends on the spreading factor		
oits per burst (slot)	156.25	324	depends on the spreading factor		
ourst (slot) duration	0.577 ms	6.67 ms	0.677 ms		
rame duration	4.62 ms	40 ms	10 ms		
channel bit rate	270.833 kbit/s	48.6 kbit/s	depends on the situation		
naximum cell radius	35 km	20 km	few kilometers		
iser specific signatures	-	-	OVFS codes		
preading factor	1	1	<mark>2<sup>k</sup>; k=2, 3,</mark> 8; 512 downlink only		
chip rate	-	-	3.84 Mchip/s		



## **DR Radio Frontend**

Conversion of the antenna signal to the complex baseband

- **Candidates:**
- ➡ superhet
- superhet combined with bandpass subsampling
- ➡ low IF
- ➡ zero IF



Zero IF receiver : RF and A/D units



## ampling Rate Adaptation

The signal processor should work at the minimum possible rate.

Samples must be taken at the instant of the eye pattern maximum

Sampling rate adaptation can be implemented by a polyphase filter. Its coefficients may be stored or computed "just in time" (Hentschel, Fettweis 2000).





#### **MSK Modulation**





#### arameters

## **MBIT2Symbol:**

#### Impulse formers:

Modulation Mode	ModulationNumber
GMSK	1
π/ <b>4-DQPSK</b>	2
QPSK	3
dual QPSK	4

Filter	Filter-Number
main impuls C <sub>o</sub> (t) of linearized GMSK with BT = 0.3	1
root raised cosine roll-off filter with roll-off factor $\alpha$ = 0.35	2
root raised cosine roll-off filter with roll-off factor $\alpha$ = 0.22	3

#### eneral Modulator





# **MSK LINEARIZATION**





#### ower Spectral Densities



PSDs, linearized vs. "pure" GMSK

#### **T Error Rates**

GMSK linearization does not affect the bit error rate (compared to "pure" GMSK) in simulations.





# eneral Transmitter Structure



Standards:	GSM
	DECT
	IS-136
	UMTS-FDD
	UMTS-TDD
	cdma2000



# eneral Receiver Structure



# **T Software Radio Projects**

	Parameter Controlled Software Radios	Adaptive Terminal	UMTSPlus	MMR-ADM	RMS
DECT					
GSM					
GPRS					
EDGE					
IS-54 / IS-136					
PDC					
IS-95					
TETRA					
TETRAPOL					
DVB-T					
cdma2000					
UMTS					
EEE 802.11a					



#### onclusions

- SDR shows a plethora of facets
- Many research projects are under way
- First SDR products seem to appear on the market
- SDR leads to completely new solutions in mobile communications
- The 6. EU framework program supports several SDR projects
- SDR projects, that pick up the view over all transmission layers, are needed



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## pectrum Utilization Measurements (50-550 MHz)



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# **Dectrum Utilization** (50 MHz-1GHz)



Lichtenau (Germany), September 2001





- Spectrum Pooling
- HIPERLAN/2 System Overview
- The Licensed User (LU) System
- Physical Layer Issues
- Detection and Signaling
- Summary and Outlook



#### **Dectrum Pooling**

## Vision:

Usage of free capacities in licensed frequency bands: Licensed Users (LUs) lease out spectrum to Rental Users (RUs)



FDMA / TDMA LU system and HIPERLAN/2 RU system: Two different radio systems  $\rightarrow$  Coexistence in the same frequency region ?!



## **PERLAN/2 System Overview**

European Wireless Local Area Network Standard





## **IIPERLAN/2 System Overview**

Physical Layer: OFDM

**Transmitter structure and spectrum** 





# **The Licensed User System**

1. Embedding a RU cell into a LU cell (Hot Spot Scenario)



#### 2. Channel pattern and Occupancy Vector (OV)



OV = (010010001100010)

# **The Licensed User System**

- 3. No LU signaling channel  $\rightarrow$  LU detection necessary for the RU system
  - hidden / exposed station problem



- ➔ The detection has to cover the whole sphere of influence of the RU cell
- ➔ Access delay for the LUs
  - ➡ Waiting period

4. No Carrier Sense Medium Access (CSMA) in the LU system.



# **RU Physical Layer Issues**

- LU detection and signaling
  - Optimum detection?
  - Quality of detection necessary for coexistence?
  - OV transmission calls for a new protocol
- RU system synchronization
  - Necessity of a new preambel concept
  - Optimum positioning of pilots?

- Interference reducing measures
  - Disturbances to the LU system caused by the sin(x)/x-shaped OFDM spectrum
  - Disturbances to the RU system by FFT leakage caused by the non orthogonality of the LU signals

# **Detection And Signaling**

The engaged / idle decision has to be done by the RU system for each LU channel within the pool

→ The frequency resolution is realized by the anyhow existing FFT:

- 1. Sampling of the signal s(k) band limited to the pool width
- 2. FFT for 64 samples at a time. The process is repeated *n* times.
- 3. The spectrum values belonging to one LU channel are integrated into a vector *z*.
- 4. Decision based on *z* and on an optimality criterion.



#### **J** Transmission Model





Transition to *n* FFT repetitions

$$f_{S}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\mathbf{\zeta} \Rightarrow f_{S}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\mathbf{\zeta} : \mathbf{R}^{2} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{2n}$$

$$f_{S}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\mathbf{\zeta} = f_{S}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{x}_{1}, x_{2}, \mathbf{K}, x_{n}, y_{1}, y_{2}, \mathbf{K}, y_{n}\mathbf{\zeta} = f_{S}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{z}\mathbf{\zeta} \text{ where } \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{J}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\mathbf{\zeta}^{T}$$

$$n \text{ real } n \text{ imaginary } parts$$



## **Multidimensional Gaussian Density**

 There is No Line of Sight (NLOS) from the LU to be detected to the measuring RU

$$f_S(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{2n} \det \mathbf{C}_{SS}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{C}_{SS}^{-1} \mathbf{z}\right)$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{SS} = \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}} & \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}} \\ \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{X}} & \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}} & \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}} \\ \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}} & \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{XX} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{x_1}^2 & \sigma_{x_1x_2} & \sigma_{x_1x_3} & \dots & \sigma_{x_1x_n} \\ \sigma_{x_1x_2} & \sigma_{x_1}^2 & \sigma_{x_1x_2} & \dots & \sigma_{x_2x_n} \\ \sigma_{x_1x_3} & \sigma_{x_1x_2} & \sigma_{x_1}^2 & \dots & \sigma_{x_3x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{x_1x_n} & \sigma_{x_2x_n} & \sigma_{x_3x_n} & \dots & \sigma_{x_1}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$



#### otal Density

Noise component density (AWGN)

$$f_N \log \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_N^2 \hbar} \exp \frac{\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z}}{\mathbf{z}^T \sigma_N^2 \mathbf{z}} \mathbf{k}$$

#### Resulting density

Convolution of the single densities

$$f_{R| \text{ no LU}}(\mathbf{z}| \text{ no LU}] = f_N \mathbf{z}$$

 $f_{R|LU} \mathbf{\mathcal{C}} LU \mathbf{h} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathbf{\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{\mathcal{C}}} \mathbf{\mathcal{C}}} \det \mathbf{\mathcal{C}}_{SS} + \sigma_N^2 \mathbf{E} \mathbf{h}} \exp \mathbf{\mathbf{\hat{H}}}_2^2 \mathbf{z}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{\mathcal{C}}_{SS} + \sigma_N^2 \mathbf{E} \mathbf{h} \mathbf{z} \mathbf{\mathbf{\hat{K}}}}$ 

Derivation of an optimal estimator



#### stimator

Neyman-Pearson criterion:

Maximization of the detection probability  $P_D$ for a given false alarm probability  $P_F$ 

$$P_F = \int_{\mathbf{R}_1} f_{R|\text{no LU}} (\mathbf{z}|\text{no LU}] d\mathbf{z}$$

$$P_D = \int_{\mathbf{R}_1} f_{R|\mathrm{LU}} \, (\mathbf{z}|\mathrm{LU}] \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{z}$$

Likelihood ratio:

$$\frac{f_{R|LU}(\mathbf{z}|LU)}{f_{R|no LU}(\mathbf{z}|no LU)} h^{LU} > \lambda_0$$

**Optimal estimator:** 

$$\mathbf{z}^{T} \bigoplus_{SS} + \sigma_{N}^{2} \mathbf{E} h - \mathfrak{G}_{N}^{2} \mathbf{E} h \mathbf{z}^{LU} \leq \mathbf{b} \mathfrak{G}_{N}^{I} \mathbf{G}_{N}^{I} + \frac{\sqrt{\det(\mathbf{C}_{SS} + \sigma_{N}^{2} \mathbf{E})}}{\mathbf{G}_{N}^{2} h} \mathbf{z}^{LU}$$



# **Jnknown Covariance Matrix**

#### Problem: For the optimal estimator C<sub>SS</sub> must be known



 $\rightarrow$  mismatched estimator!

 Uncorrelated spectrum values for the LU receiving process:

$$\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z} = |\mathbf{z}|^2 \stackrel{\text{SN}}{>} 2 \frac{\sigma_S^2 + \sigma_N^2}{\sigma_S^2 / \sigma_N^2} \left( \ln(\lambda_0) + n \ln\left(\frac{\sigma_S^2}{\sigma_N^2} + 1\right) \right)$$

 Completely correlated real parts and imaginary parts of the spectrum values:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i \right)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i\right)^2 \stackrel{\text{SN}}{>} 2 \frac{n \sigma_S^2 + \sigma_N^2}{\sigma_S^2 / \sigma_S^2} \ln\left(\lambda_0 \left(n \frac{\sigma_S^2}{\sigma_N^2} + 1\right)\right)$$



# **SNR<sub>D</sub> Estimation**

For which average power of a received LU signal must the LU channel be classified as used?

 $\rightarrow$  depends on the permissible interferences on the LUs





#### etermination of SNR<sub>D</sub>

$\Delta P [dB]$	$\Delta SNR$ [dB]	$SNR_D$ [dB]		$\Delta P [\text{dB}]$	$\Delta SNR$ [dB]	$SNR_D$ [dB]				
0	1	-5.8		6	1	0.2				
0	2	-2.3		6	2	3.7				
0	3	0.0		6	3	6.0				
0	4	1.8		6	4	7.8				
0	5	3.3		6	5	9.3				
3	1	-2.8		10	1	4.2				
3	2	0.7		10	2	7.7				
3	3	3.0		10	3	10.0				
3	4	4.8		10	4	11.8				
3	5	6.3		10	5	13.3				
Higher $SNR_D \Rightarrow$ lower $P_F \Rightarrow$ enhanced efficiency										

high  $\Delta P$  is advantageous for detection



# **Receiver Operating Characteristics (ROCs)**

Simulation results: worst case consideration

maximal mismatched estimator



DCs

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#### best case consideration: Uncorrelated spectrum values





Reality is somewhere between best und worst case  $\rightarrow$  Choose *n* for the worst case !?



#### pectrum Efficiency

Impact of the false alarm probability P<sub>F</sub> on the RU system efficiency





#### versity Solution

Given detection probability	: <i>P<sub>D</sub></i> = 0,999
Problems	S:
multipaths (fa	ading)
too high false alarm p	probability $P_F$
$P_D$ cannot be realized with only of	one measurement station!
Soluti	on:
distributed detec	tion <i>(diversity)</i>
all mobile terminals and three a	additional Boosting Stations
take measuren	nents jointly
<i>P<sub>D</sub></i> becomes realizabl	e for moderate $P_F$ !



#### stributed Detection





## gnaling (1)

■ RUs + BooSs → (AP): *Boosting protocol* 



AP computes the elementwise "or" of all OVs



### gnaling (2)

■ AP → RUs + BooSs: *Robust time-frequency broadcast* 



AP	Access Point
BooS	Boosting Station
LU	Licensed User
RU	<b>R</b> ental <b>U</b> ser



#### versity-gain

What is the gain of divid	ed detection ?			
diversity	→ no fading			
$P_D$ for a specific RU may be reduced	$\rightarrow P_F$ decreases			
The individual detection results are If the receiving condition at the ( <i>m</i> ) measure are similar, we	statistically indepo uring stations (RUs get :	endent. s and Boo	oSs)	
	т	P <sub>D</sub>	$P_{F}$	$P_F^Z$
$P_E^Z(m) \approx 1 - (1 - P_E)^m$	1	0.999	0.982	0.982
$P_F^Z(m) \approx 1 - (1 - P_F)^m$	2	0.968	0.662	0.886
$I_E(m) \sim I - (I - I_E)$	3	0.900	0.294	0.648
	4	0.822	0.100	0.344
$P_{E}^{Z}(m) = 1 - \left(1 - P_{E}\left(1 - \frac{m}{\sqrt{(1 - P_{E}^{Z})}}\right)\right)$	10	0.499	0.001	0.010
$\Gamma F(m) = \left( - \Gamma \left( - V \left( - \Gamma E \right) \right) \right)$	20	0.292	≈ 0	≈0



≈ 0

0.292

20

≈ 0

## oosting Protocol (1)

■ Signaling RUs + BooSs → AP ?

LU

Boosting Protocol

**Presently valid OV:** 







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LU

## oosting Protocol (2)

Signaling of *newly* occupied channels



Mapping phase





## oosting Protocol (3)





## immary (1)

 Divided detection combined with a boosting protocol and robust Occupancy Vector signaling solves the LU detection problem and leads to a common base of the Physical Layer (PHY).







The RUs system's efficiency is mainly determined by the interference reducing measures!





#### ext Steps

Integration of the results into our OMNeT++ software demonstrator.

Simulation with respect to all effects and with realistic channel models
 → Tuning of the free parameters

 Adaptive modulation for optimal use of disturbed channels (FFT leakage)

 MAC layer: Investigation of scheduling algorithms particulary resistent against bandwidth variations



#### opics

- Mobile Radio Communications
- SDR Signal Processing
- Mobile Communication Channels
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# troduction to Modular SDR

- Original Software Radio (SR) concept, long-term perspective
- Software Defined Radio (SDR) means:
  - **1.** ADCs and DACs as close as possible to the antenna
  - 2. DSP in software, but only as far as flexibility is desirable
- Technically feasible, commercially attractive ("flexibility sells", time-to-market)
- SDR research, focus on one particular aspect of the signal processing chain
- Baseband processing is centered around algorithms

Design guidelines for *modular systems* are in demand



#### odularity in SDR Systems

• By definition, "software" in a Software Defined Radio is modular


#### **CA Software Structure**



Source: SCA Specification V2.2, JTRS Program Office, http://jtrs.army.mil



#### CA Software Structure (Zoom)



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#### **DRF Perception of Resource Allocation**



**Source:** SDRF Forum, Architecture and Elements of SDR Systems as Related to Standards Technical Report, version 2.1d, Nov 1999



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Data flow, precedence constraints → Directed Graph

- Physical resources are administered by a non-preemptive RTOS
- Software is executed using some hardware, physical structures

SDR hardware = Multi-processor signal processing system



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# athematical Modeling

Runtime is the main behavioral attribute of modules. Central argument:

The variety of processing runtimes is so vast that we can merely describe runtime by providing a pdf.



Quality measure: speedup, independent of concrete real-time requirements



# rected Graph

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UTRA FDD 64kbps UL, transmitter, ETSI TS 125 101, version 5.5.0 (2002-12), pp.51-52

# teger Linear Programming (ILP)

- General method for discrete-time resource-constrained allocation problems
- System of equations and inequalities, formally known in CS and OR

Advantage: Reduction to an ILP formulation makes SDR design accessible to optimal mathematical solution methods.

• Disadvantages:

NP hard, optimum solution may need exponential time, branch-and-bound methods

Good time resolution results in a large system of equations

Way out: different methods to quickly find a solution, even if sub-optimal



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# **Level Scheduling**

- Optimum allocation algorithm for unit-runtime scheduling problems
- Works as well with real-valued processing runtimes, Hu Level node attribute

Effective relative spread in processing runtimes of modules has a major influence on the speedup spread, not the pdf shape

- Advantage: Simple and fast scheduling on *L* identical processors
- Disadvantage: Drops important boundary conditions such as limited memory and speed of inter-processor communications

Way out: methods accounting for inter-processor communications



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# near Resource-Runtime Model

- Intermediate data flow is uniquely determined by a transmission mode •
- Nevertheless, in an SDR environment, the multitude of encountered processing runtimes persists

$$p_m = \alpha \cdot c \cdot r_m$$

- Module *m* has processing runtime  $p_m$  and output data memory demand  $r_m$
- $\alpha$  is a processor-dependent specific runtime, absorbed in speedup
- C is unitless and random. Its spread determines how closely realizations follow the strictly linear resource-runtime relation



# nhanced Graphical Modeling

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# ernighan/Lin Partitioning

- Originally developed to distribute electonic components among PCBs
- Minimize inter-board connections while keeping component count balanced

Adaptated to Mod-SDR, it minimizes inter-processor communications while keeping processor workload balanced (set exchange, local)

Advantages: Accounts for inter-processor communications
Produces dense schedules / high speedup
Disadvantages: Assumes full mesh topology / suffers from single bus

**Requires pipelined processing / incurs significant delay** 

Way out: methods avoiding local search at first, study pipelining

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# **ubsystem** Pipelining

Application-specific co-processor in cooperation with two identical DSPs



Shadow memory should be provided at the inter-layer interfaces

Dividing the PHY layer into two separate pipelined subsystems is efficient with respect to dynamic power dissipation

Advantage:

**Eventually, less hardware design effort** 



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# **Irrent Activities and Future Issues**

- Spectral Partitioning for circuit-switched and packet-switched services
- Algorithms for QoS support in Mod-SDR, transmission mode search
- Extension of recently studied methods to *L* identical processors
- Generalization of Mod-SDR design guidelines to heterogeneous systems
- Incorporation of Mod-SDR guidelines into Real-Time CORBA and products



Questions  $\rightarrow$  Answers



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