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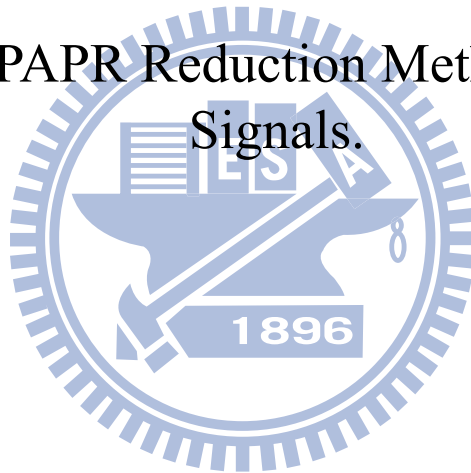
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摘 要

為了使傳輸速率能夠更加快速，各國的研究人員發展出一連串提升傳輸率的方式。在近幾年來，正交分頻多工系統被視為增加傳輸速率的主要核心。透過將頻帶切成許許多多正交的子載波，正交分頻多工系統可提高頻譜使用效能，並且多重路徑的效果能被以簡單的方式等化掉。總結以上的優點，正交分頻多工系統被視為近代主流的通訊系統。

然而，正交分頻多工也有許多的缺點，其中一個主要問題是其高峰均值功率比。當傳輸訊號操作在功率放大器的非線性區時，會造成訊號的失真，以及對鄰近頻帶的干擾。而在我的研究中，我們提出三種降低高峰均值功率比的方法。首先，我們提出不同於傳統 SLM 方法，透過使用展頻碼來傳送 SLM 方法的側信息，並且達到幾近相同的表現。第二，透過使用展頻碼來傳送在消波方法中被截掉的訊號，藉以改善消波方法的錯誤率表現。第三，我們提出將訊號傳送前，使用濾波器將波形整形，藉以降低峰均值功率比。從模擬的結果顯示，透過提出的這些方法，不但峰均值功率比能夠降低，錯誤率亦可改善。

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ABSTRACT

In order to meet the extreme requirement of data rate, researchers around the world have developed a lot of rate-increasing methods. Recently, orthogonal frequency division multiplexing(OFDM) has been regarded as one of the core rate-increasing technologies. By dividing the entire bandwidth into narrowband subcarriers, OFDM can provide high spectral efficiency. Also, the multipath effect can be easily equalized. Summarizing the above advantages, OFDM has become a key air interface for most modern wireless communication system.

However, OFDM system suffers from several difficulties. One of the major drawbacks is the high peak to average power ratio(PAPR) at the transmitter. As signals operate on the nonlinearity of a high power amplifier(HPA), it is distorted and causes in-band distortion and out-of-band radiation. In our research, we propose three different PAPR reduction methods. First, a SLM method with CDMA side information is proposed. The difference between the conventional SLM method and the proposed one is that it provides another channel to transmit the side information, i.e., the index of phase sequence. Second, in order to improve the BER performance of traditional clipping scheme, we exploit some spreading codes to transmit the lost information caused by clipping. Third, a novel idea, in which OFDM waveform is shaped by an FIR filter or an all pass filter, is proposed. The numerical results show that by using the proposed methods, the PAPR of OFDM can be reduced, and the performance of OFDM is improved.

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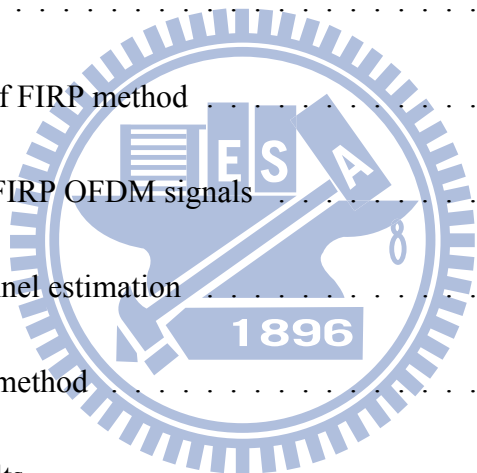
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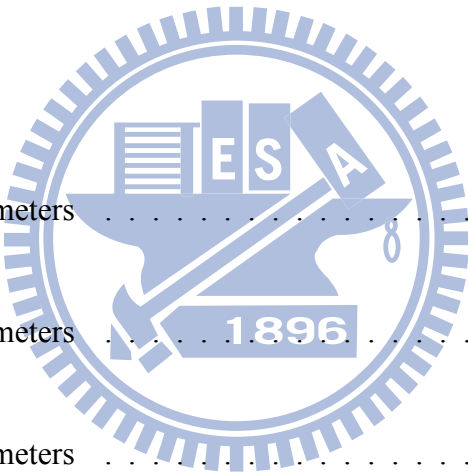
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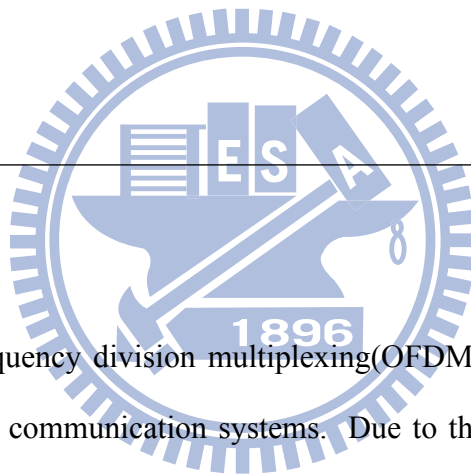
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CHAPTER 1

Introduction



Recently, orthogonal frequency division multiplexing(OFDM) has been used as one of core technologies for wireless communication systems. Due to the advantages of achieving high data transmission in wireless communication systems and robust to frequency selective fading channel, OFDM is an attractive technique. For example, in wireless local area network, digital audio broadcasting, and digital video broadcasting, OFDM has been adopted as a standard.

However, OFDM systems suffer from its high peak-to-average power ratio(PAPR) which is one of the major bottleneck for the transmitter. Because of the nonlinearity of power amplifier, signal distortion such as in-band distortion and out-of-band radiation is incurred. In general, there are some backoff required to reduce the distortion caused by the nonlinearity of PA. It also gives rise to low power efficiency that leads to large energy loss, not only deteriorating the system efficiency, but also exacerbating thermal issues with devices. In addition, the complexity of analog-to-digital converter(ADC) and digital-to analog converter(DAC) will also increase

owing to larger PAPR. Therefore, reducing PAPR has become one of the most important research area for the OFDM systems.

There are several schemes to reduce PAPR. In general, they can be classified into “multiplicative” and “additive” methods. Selective mapping(SLM) [1]-[4] and partial transmit sequence(PTS) [5] are categorized as multiplicative schemes because input symbol vectors of OFDM signal are multiplied by multiple phase sequences. On the other hand, tone reservation [6], peak cancelling and clipping method [8]-[10] are categorized as additive schemes because artificially induced signals are added to the original OFDM signals. Additionally, in tone injection scheme, each point of the original constellation will be mapped into several equivalent points in the expanded constellation which results in extra degree of freedom. The active constellation extension method extends outer signal constellation points to mitigate PAPR without degrading of performance.

The schemes of SLM will generate several candidate signals, and the one with minimum PAPR OFDM signal will be transmitted. Although the conventional SLM approach provides good performance for PAPR reduction, it suffers from the high computation complexity of banks of IFFT. In [2], the performance of small number IFFT blocks of the modified SLM can reach almost the same performance of more number of IFFT blocks of the conventional SLM. In [3]-[4], some kinds of low-complexity conversions to replace the IFFT blocks in the conventional SLM were presented. Besides, in order to recover data, the index of phase sequence should also be sent to the receiver. In [2], a portion of subcarriers is reserved for the transmission of the phase sequence index. Although the PAPR can be reduced by the SLM method, the bandwidth is sacrificed for the transmission of the index of phase sequence. In Chapter 3, we introduce a novel SLM method with CDMA side information that the index of the selective phase sequence for SLM is transmitted by spreading codes embedded in the OFDM signal. Thus, we do not need to reserve subcarriers to transmit the index of phase sequence and the sacrifice of bandwidth is completely avoided.

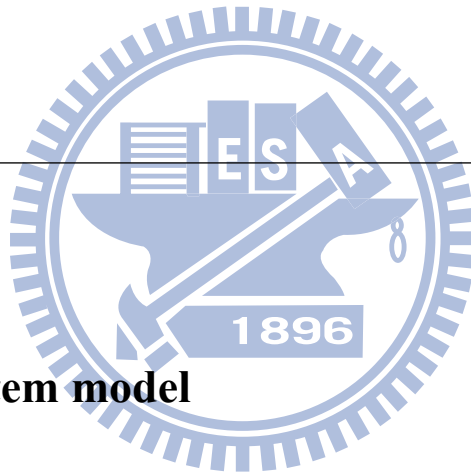
In Chapter 4, filtered-OFDM, which reduces PAPR by filtering OFDM waveform, is proposed. Due to filtering, the effective channel varies symbol by symbol. Consequently, channel estimation is needed for every OFDM symbol. Two types of filters will be applied for PAPR reduction. One is finite impulse response(FIR) filters and the other is all pass filters. It should be noted that all pass filters pre-filtering method was also proposed in a parallel work [13]. In order to determine CP length, only effective filter length is considered in [13]. Additionally, finite number pre-defined all pass filters are used. Hence, at receiver, the selected all pass filter ID is received as the side information. Different from [13], we use arbitrary generated first-order all-pass filters that the filter ID does not require to be transmitted to receiver. The effective channel can be estimated and equalized with the aid of pilot subcarriers.

Clipping is a simple and intuitive method to reduce PAPR of OFDM signal. However, it has two major drawbacks. First, clipping generates self interference by distorting the signal amplitude which increases the BER. Second, it also gives rise to out-of-band side-lobe, i.e., the adjacent bands will be interfered. In [8], clipping and filtering was used to reduce PAPR and suppress the out-of-band clipping noise. However, filtering after clipping may cause some peak regrowth. Hence, the iterative clipping and filtering process is needed. In [10], a technique called decision-aided reconstruction(DAR), where the symbols are decided in frequency domain and come back to time domain so as to regrowth some peaks iteratively, can significantly reduce the error floors introduced by the clipping noise. Unlike [10], we utilize the CDMA signal to transmit the clipped peaks directly. In Chapter 5, only few peaks of "high PAPR" OFDM signals will be clipped. Then, the information of the clipped peaks will be transmitted by spreading codes. At receiver, the clipped OFDM signals will be restored by adding the clipped peaks and subtracting CDMA signals from the received signal. The numerical results show that by using these proposed method, the PAPR of OFDM can be reduced and the performance of OFDM improved.

The rest of this thesis is organized as follows. The OFDM system model and PAPR defi-

nition is described in Chapter 2. In Chapter 3, we introduce the SLM method with CDMA side information and compare the PAPR reduction performance with the conventional SLM scheme. In Chapter 4, a filtered-OFDM method is proposed. In addition to investigating the PAPR reduction behavior, we also discuss some problems in this method. In Chapter 5, in order to improve the BER performance of clipping method, we use spreading codes to transmit the clipped information. Finally, Chapter 6 gives the conclusion of this thesis and compares the complexity among these PAPR reduction methods. It should be noted that Chapter 3-5 have their own system models and simulation results.

The following notations are used throughout this thesis. The superscript $(\cdot)^H$ and $(\cdot)^T$ denotes Hermitian and transpose of a vector or matrix. The superscript of $(\cdot)^*$ represents optimal/suboptimal solution of a vector or matrix. \mathbf{F} is the $N \times N$ unitary discrete Fourier transform(DFT) matrix whose entry $(m, n)^{th}$ entry is given by $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}e^{-j\frac{2\pi mn}{N}}$, with $m, n \in \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$. We define $\text{diag}(\mathbf{x})$ as a diagonal matrix with vector \mathbf{x} on its diagonal. We use $\text{tr}(\cdot)$ to represent trace operation. \mathbb{E} is statistic expectation. $\mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$ represents a complex Gaussian distributed random vector with zero mean and covariance matrix Σ . \mathbf{G} and \mathbf{Y} denote operation of CP insertion and CP removal, respectively. \mathbf{H}_e and $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ are a circular channel matrix and a diagonal matrix of channel frequency response, separately. \mathbf{d} is OFDM input symbol sequence in frequency domain. \otimes and \otimes_c denote convolution and circular convolution. Without loss of generality, the power of OFDM signal and modulated CDMA signal are normalized to unity.



2.1 OFDM system model

Let $\mathbf{d} = [d_0 \ d_1 \ \dots \ d_{N-1}]^T$ denote an input symbol vector in frequency domain, where d_k represents the complex data of the k^{th} subcarrier and N is the number of total subcarriers. A continuous-time baseband OFDM signal is defined as

$$a_t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} d_k e^{j2\pi \frac{k}{N} t}, 0 \leq t \leq Nt_s \quad (2.1)$$

Where t_s is the sampling period. The discrete-time baseband OFDM signal a_n sampled at the Nyquist rate $t = nt_s$ can be written as

$$a_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} d_k e^{j2\pi \frac{k}{N} n}, n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \quad (2.2)$$

Let $\mathbf{a} = [a_0 \ a_1 \ \dots \ a_{N-1}]^T$ denote a discrete-time baseband OFDM signal vector. \mathbf{a} corresponds to the inverse fast Fourier transform (IFFT) of \mathbf{d} , i.e., $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d}$. The block diagram is depicted in Fig 2.1.

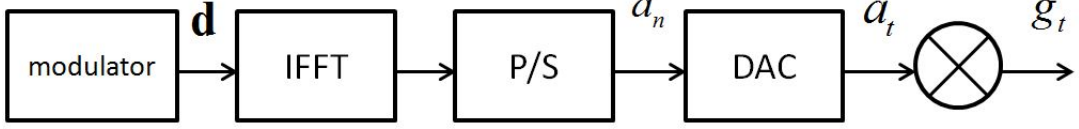


Figure 2.1: OFDM transmitter.

2.2 Peak-to-average power ratio[11]

In the following, we will generally introduce the issue of PAPR. In general, PAPR has three different definitions according to different stages. At the first stage, the discrete-time baseband OFDM signal is generated. The PAPR definition of a_n is the ratio of maximum peak power divided by the average power of OFDM, that is,

$$\text{PAPR}_{a_n} = \frac{\max_{0 \leq n \leq N-1} |a_n|^2}{P_{av}(a_n)}, P_{av}(a_n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}\{|a_n|^2\} \quad (2.3)$$

At the second stage, the continuous-time baseband OFDM signal a_t is generated by passing a_n to an digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The PAPR of a_t defined as the ratio of maximum instantaneous power divided by the average power of OFDM, can be expressed as

$$\text{PAPR}_{a_t} = \frac{\max_{0 \leq t \leq Nt_s} |a_t|^2}{P_{av}(a_t)}, P_{av}(a_t) = \frac{1}{Nt_s} \int_0^{Nt_s} \mathbb{E}\{|a_t|^2\} dt \quad (2.4)$$

At the third stage, the radio frequency (RF) OFDM signal g_t is produced by modulating a_t to a radio frequency f_c , i.e., $g_t = \text{Re}\{a_t e^{j2\pi f_c t}\}$. The PAPR of continuous-time passband OFDM signal g_t is also defined as

$$\text{PAPR}_{g_t} = \frac{\max_{0 \leq t \leq Nt_s} |g_t|^2}{P_{av}(g_t)} \quad (2.5)$$

2.3 Relationship between the three different PAPRs

The discrete-time baseband OFDM signals are transformed to continuous-time baseband signals by DAC. The peak power of continuous-time baseband OFDM signal can be increased while maintaining a constant average power. The average power of discrete-time baseband and continuous-time baseband OFDM signal is derived as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{av}(a_n) &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}\{|a_n|^2\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}\{a_n a_n^*\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}\left\{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |d_k|^2\right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}\{|d_k|^2\}
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.6}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{av}(a_t) &= \frac{1}{Nt_s} \int_0^{Nt_s} \mathbb{E}\{|a_t|^2\} dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{Nt_s} \int_0^{Nt_s} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}\{|d_k|^2\} dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}\{|d_k|^2\}
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

Usually, the PAPR of a continuous-time baseband OFDM signal is larger than that of its discrete-time baseband version by 0.5 ~ 1 dB. Mixing the continuous-time baseband OFDM signal with the radio frequency generates the continuous-time passband OFDM signal. It does not change the peak power, but the average power of the passband OFDM signal is half the average power of the continuous-time baseband signal. The average power of passband OFDM

signal is derived as follows, and a_t is equal to $a_I + ja_Q$

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{av}(g_t) &= \frac{1}{Nt_s} \int_0^{Nt_s} \mathbb{E}\{|g_t|^2\} dt \\
&= \frac{1}{Nt_s} \int_0^{Nt_s} \mathbb{E}\{|a_I \cos(2\pi f_c t) - a_Q \sin(2\pi f_c t)|^2\} dt \\
&= \frac{1}{Nt_s} \int_0^{Nt_s} \{\mathbb{E}[a_I^2] \cos^2(2\pi f_c t) + \mathbb{E}[a_Q^2] \sin^2(2\pi f_c t)\} dt \\
&= \frac{\mathbb{E}[a_I^2] + \mathbb{E}[a_Q^2]}{2} \\
&= \frac{\mathbb{E}[a_t^2]}{2} \\
&= \frac{P_{av}(a_t)}{2}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

Thus, the PAPR of the continuous-time passband signal is generally larger than that of the continuous-time baseband OFDM signal by 3 dB. The relationship of the above PAPRs is given as

$$\text{PAPR}_{a_n} \leq \text{PAPR}_{a_t} \leq \text{PAPR}_{g_t} \tag{2.9}$$



The selective mapping(SLM) method with CDMA side information



3.1 Motivation

In the conventional SLM scheme [1], the OFDM signal with minimum PAPR among U candidate signals, which are generated by multiplying the input symbol sequence \mathbf{d} with predefined phase sequences, is selected and used for transmission. In order to decode data, the index of phase sequences, is selected and used for transmission. The side information of the index should be protected by channel coding. In [2], a portion of subcarriers of the OFDM signal is reserved for the transmission of the phase sequence index. Although the SLM method can reduce PAPR, additional bandwidth is sacrificed for the transmission of the phase sequence index.

3.2 System model

In this chapter, a novel idea that the index of phase sequence is transmitted by spreading codes embedded in the OFDM signal is proposed. By using this method, the data rate of OFDM can be maintained and PAPR reduced. Moreover, the penalty of bandwidth is completely avoided in the proposed method.

The block diagram is illustrated In Fig3.1. In our proposed method, U alternative sequences are generated as

$$\mathbf{x}_u = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}^H\mathbf{R}_u\mathbf{d} + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}}\mathbf{G}\sum_{i=1}^M\mathbf{c}_i s_{ui}, \quad 1 \leq u \leq U \quad (3.1)$$

where \mathbf{R}_u is the diagonal matrix related to the u^{th} phase sequence \mathbf{r}_u , \mathbf{G} is the operation of adding CP, $s_{u1} \cdots s_{uM}$ are the M encoded symbols corresponding to the index of u^{th} phase sequence, $\mathbf{c}_1 \cdots \mathbf{c}_M$ are the M spreading codes used to transmit $s_{u1} \cdots s_{uM}$ and α is a power coefficient used to adjust the receiver SINR for CDMA signal. The definition of phase sequence is $\mathbf{r}_u = [r_{u1}r_{u2} \cdots r_{uN}]^T$ with $r_{un} \in \pm 1$.

Afterwards, the signal $\mathbf{x}_{\hat{u}}$ with minimum PAPR among U candidate signal vectors $\{\mathbf{x}_u\}$ is selected and transmitted. Without loss of generality, we make the following normalizations: $\mathbb{E}[|s_{ui}|^2] = 1$ for $i = 1 \cdots M, u = 1 \cdots U, \frac{1}{N}\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{d}^H\mathbf{d}] = 1, \mathbf{c}_i^H\mathbf{c}_i = N$ for $i = 1 \cdots M$.

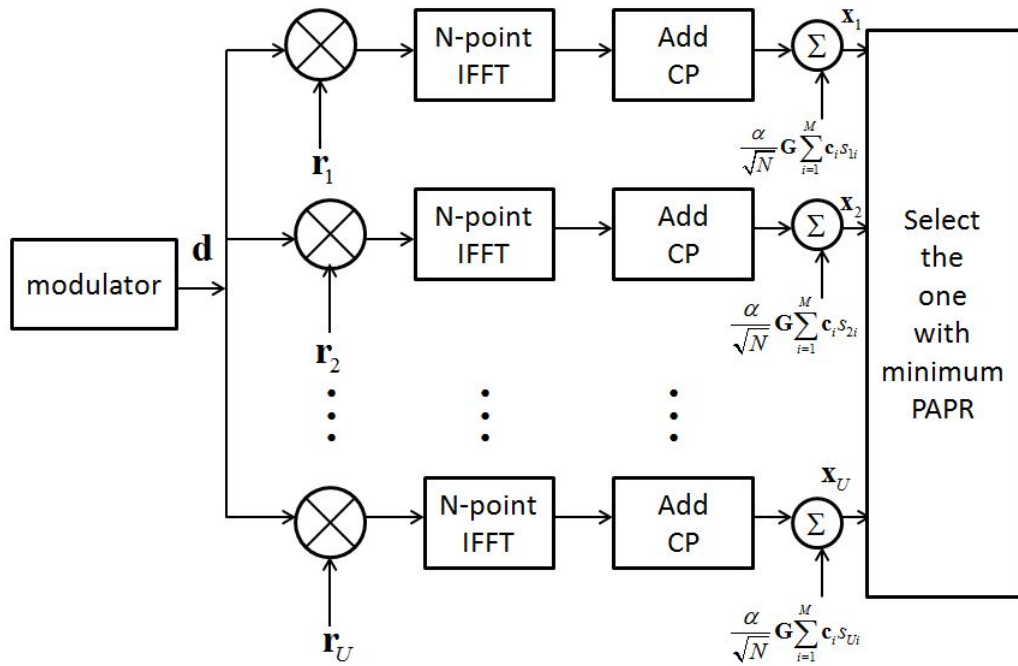


Figure 3.1: Block diagram of the SLM scheme of OFDM system combined with embedded CDMA signal.

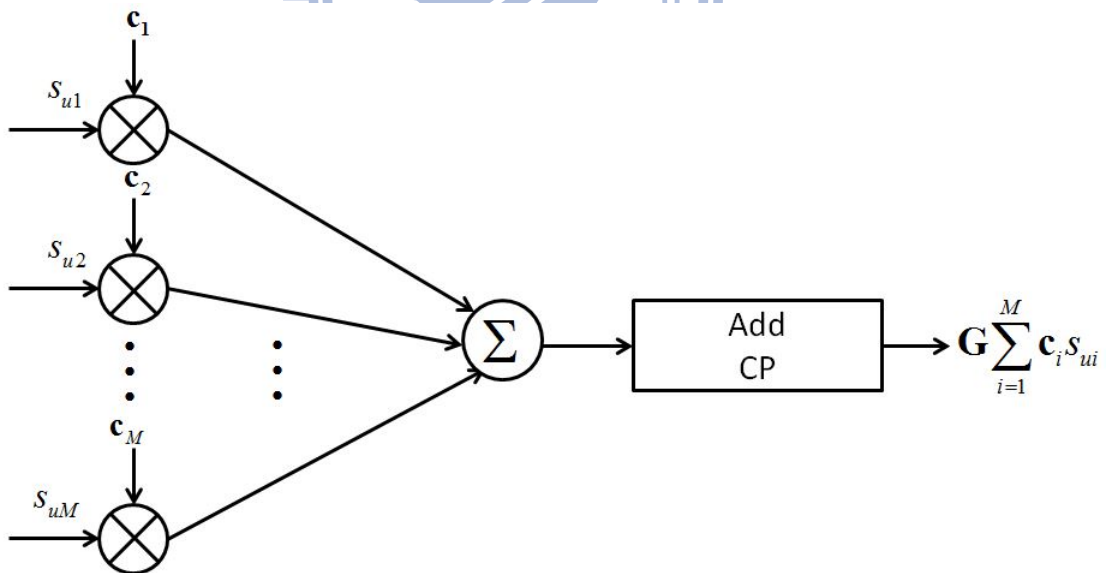


Figure 3.2: Block diagram of embedded CDMA signal for phase sequence \mathbf{r}_u .

3.3 Required SINR for CDMA signal demodulation

The major challenge of this work is the following question: “how can we demodulate the OFDM signal embedded with CDMA?”. In this paper, we propose a demodulation method based on a successive interference cancellation(SIC) approach. First, the receiver demodulates the CDMA signal and eliminates the CDMA signal from the received signals. Then, if the interference for OFDM signal, i.e., CDMA signal, can be perfectly cancelled, the OFDM signal will be interference-free. However, in order to make the OFDM signal almost interference-free, CDMA detection should be nearly perfect. Hence, we need to select a power coefficient α that makes the CDMA signal achieve a predefined SINR. In the following, we will derive the coefficient α corresponding to a predefined SINR β .

The received signal can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_{\tilde{u}} + \mathbf{n} \\ &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{c}_i s_{\tilde{u}i} + \mathbf{n} \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

where \mathbf{H} is the channel matrix, and $\mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$. After CP removal and FFT, the signal vector can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r} &= \mathbf{F}\Upsilon \mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{F}\Upsilon \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{F}\Upsilon \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{c}_i s_{\tilde{u}i} + \mathbf{F}\Upsilon \mathbf{n} \\ &= \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{F}\Upsilon \mathbf{n} \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

where $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ is a diagonal matrix of channel frequency response, and Υ is the operation of CP removal.

From (3.3), we rewrite vector \mathbf{b} as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{b} &= \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{F} \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{c}_i s_{\tilde{u}i} \\
&= \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{F} \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{F} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{c}_i s_{\tilde{u}i} \\
&= \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{\Lambda} \sum_{i=1}^M \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_i s_{\tilde{u}i} \\
&= \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{\Lambda} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 & \cdots & \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_M \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_{\tilde{u}1} \\ \vdots \\ s_{\tilde{u}M} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{s} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{s}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_i$ equals to $\mathbf{F} \mathbf{c}_i$.

Therefore, we can easily use ZF or MMSE equalizer to decorrelate the interference between the different phase PN codes. The vector \mathbf{r} can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{F} \Upsilon \mathbf{n} \tag{3.5}$$

In the following, ZF equalizer is utilized to decorrelate interference:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{v} &= (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{s} + (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{F} \Upsilon \mathbf{n} \\
&= (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{s} + (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{F} \tilde{\mathbf{n}}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

In order to achieve reliable transmission, the SINR of demodulated CDMA signal should be controlled such that it is greater than a predefined threshold β . The effective SINR can be obtained as

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{SINR} &= \frac{\frac{a^2}{N} \text{tr}\{\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{s}\mathbf{s}^H]\} \frac{1}{M}}{\frac{1}{M} \text{tr}\{\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{d} \mathbf{d}^H \mathbf{\Lambda}^H \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}]\} + \frac{1}{M} \text{tr}\{\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{F} \tilde{\mathbf{n}} \tilde{\mathbf{n}}^H \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}]\}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{\alpha^2 M}{N}}{\text{tr}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{\Lambda}^H \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}] + \sigma_n^2 \text{tr}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}]}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

To find the coefficient α

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{SINR} &\geq \beta \\
\Rightarrow \alpha^2 &\geq \frac{N}{M} \beta \{ \text{tr}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{\Lambda}^H \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}] + \sigma_n^2 \text{tr}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}] \} \\
\Rightarrow \alpha &\geq \sqrt{\frac{N}{M} \beta \{ \text{tr}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{\Lambda}^H \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}] + \sigma_n^2 \text{tr}[(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1}] \}}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

3.4 OFDM signal demodulation

From the above, we derive the coefficient α to achieve the required SINR β of CDMA signal.

Next, we have to demodulate OFDM signal. The detection procedure is shown in Fig3.3.

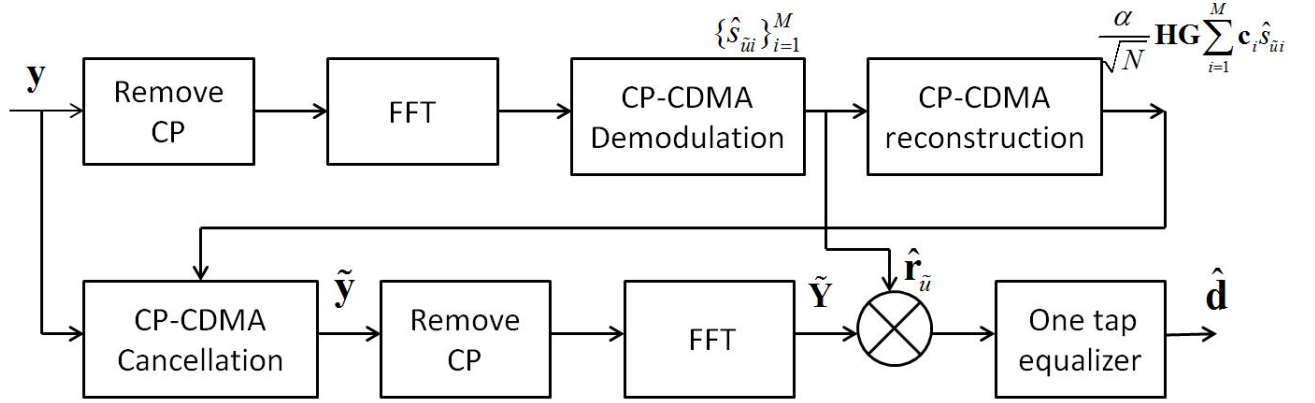


Figure 3.3: OFDM and CP-CDMA receiver structure.

After CP-CDMA signal demodulation and reconstruction, we can subtract the interference of CP-CDMA signal from OFDM.

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\mathbf{y}} &= \mathbf{H} \mathbf{x}_{\tilde{u}} + \mathbf{n} - \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{c}_i \hat{s}_{\tilde{u}i} \\
&= \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{N}} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \sum_{i=1}^M \mathbf{c}_i (s_{\tilde{u}i} - \hat{s}_{\tilde{u}i}) + \mathbf{n}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

If CP-CDMA signal can be reconstructed perfectly, the interference of CP-CDMA can be ignored. Then, after CP removal and FFT, the vector $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}$ is given as

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{Y} &= \mathbf{F} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{F} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \mathbf{n} \\
&= \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{R}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{F} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} \mathbf{n}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

Finally, after one-tap equalization and multiplying the detected phase sequence $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{\tilde{u}}$, the estimated information data vector is

$$\hat{\mathbf{d}} = \mathbf{d} + \Lambda^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{R}}_{\tilde{u}} \mathbf{F} \Upsilon \mathbf{n} \quad (3.11)$$

3.5 Simulation results

In my simulations, both PAPR reduction behavior and BER performance are presented. The simulation parameters are listed in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1: Simulation parameters

Channel model	Veh-A channel
Bandwidth	5MHz
Power delay profile	[0,-1,-9,-10,-15,-20](dB)
FFT	256
CP length	64
Code	PN code
Code length	256
OFDM modulation	16 QAM
CP-CDMA modulation	QPSK/BPSK
Number of SLM phase	4 16 64
Code number	1 2 3/2 4 6
SINR for CP-CDMA	10dB
SNR for OFDM	5dB/20dB

In Fig.3.4-3.6, the PAPR reduction performance of the proposed scheme is compared to the conventional SLM scheme. In Fig.3.4, the modulation of the CDMA signal is BPSK, SINR=10 dB for CDMA signal, SNR=20 dB for OFDM signal, and 4,16,64 phase sequences are used. In

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When the number of phase sequence increases, the proposed scheme requires more PN codes to transmit the index of phase sequence. In other words, the PAPR of proposed scheme increases as more PN codes are used. Thus, in Fig.3.4, the gap of PAPR between the proposed scheme and the conventional SLM method increases with the increase of phase sequence. In addition, the amplitude ratio α is inversely proportional to SNR of OFDM. With the decrease of SNR, the coefficient α will increase and the PAPR of proposed scheme will also increase. Therefore, in Fig.3.5, the PAPR of the proposed scheme with lower SNR may slightly larger than the PAPR of the proposed scheme in Fig.3.6 with higher SNR. Overall, the proposed scheme has similar PAPR reduction performance compared to the conventional SLM method, if the number of spreading codes used in the proposed scheme is limited.

The BER performance of the proposed scheme is presented in Fig.3.7. The modulation of CDMA signal is QPSK and the number of phase sequence is 64. As the predefined SINR is 10 dB for CDMA signal, the BER approaches to 10^{-3} . Even though 20 – 30% power of the OFDM signal is allocated to transmit the CDMA signal, the corresponding BER degradation is only 0.8 – 1.1dB. However, with the increase of SNR, the BER of the OFDM signal has an evident error floors. To overcome this problem, we can promote the pre-defined SINR or decrease modulation scheme for CDMA signal.

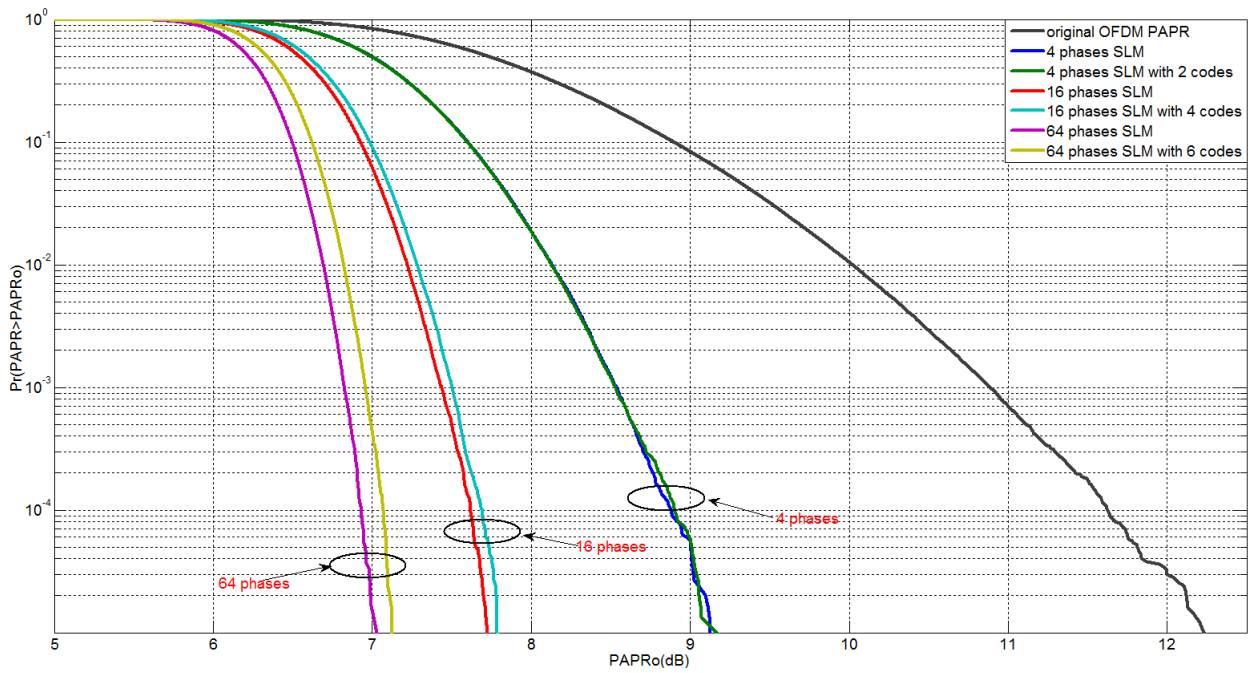


Figure 3.4: PAPR reduction behavior of proposed scheme with $\text{SINR}=10\text{dB}$, $\text{SNR}=20\text{dB}$ compared to conventional SLM scheme. The modulation of the CDMA signal is BPSK.

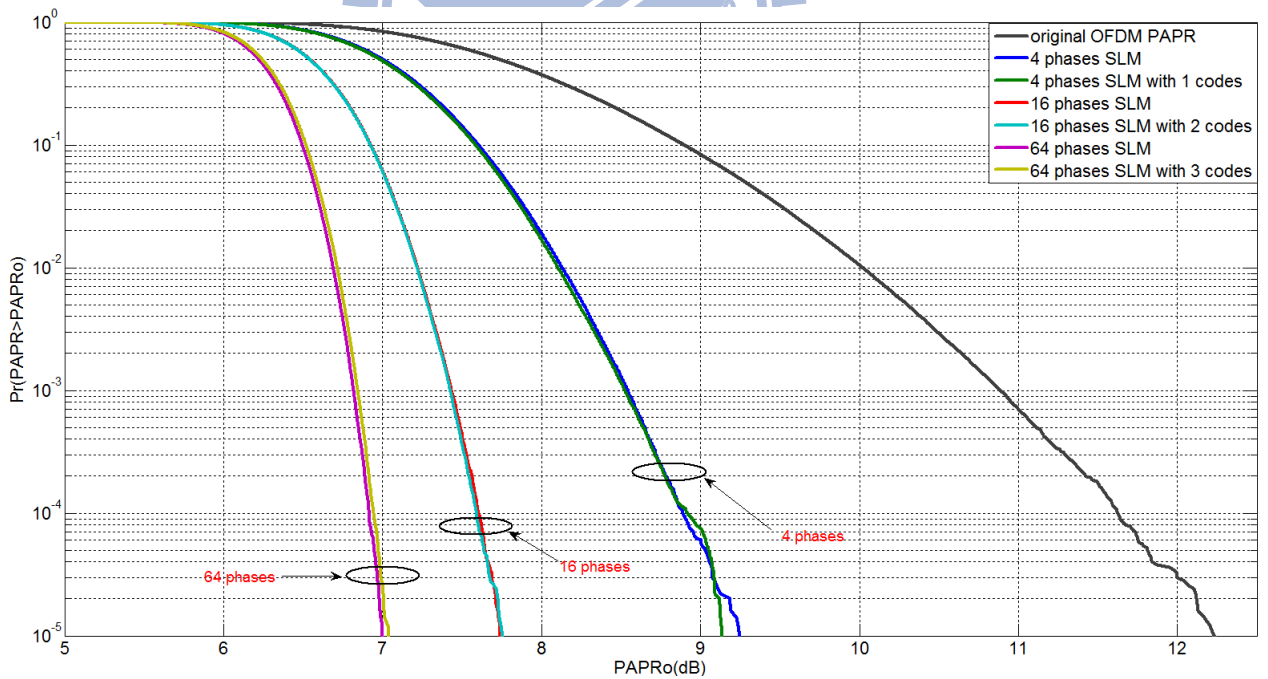


Figure 3.5: PAPR reduction behavior of proposed scheme with $\text{SINR}=10\text{dB}$, $\text{SNR}=5\text{dB}$ compared to conventional SLM scheme. The modulation of the CDMA signal is QPSK.

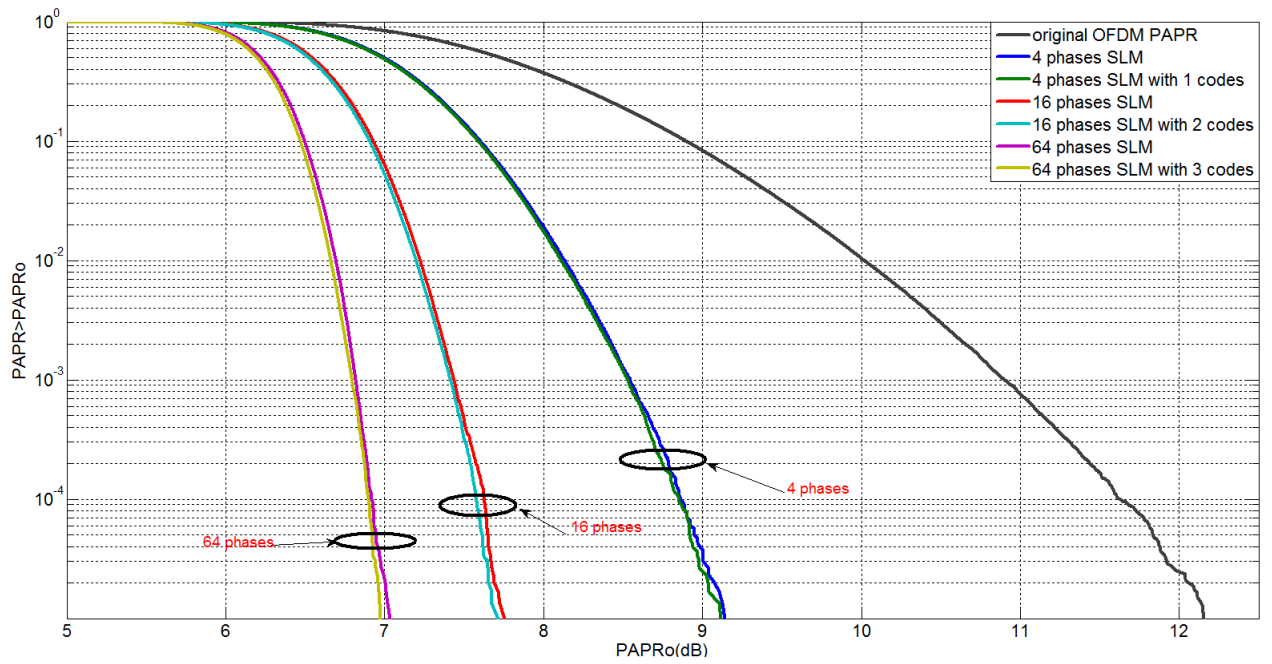


Figure 3.6: PAPR reduction behavior of proposed scheme with $\text{SINR}=10\text{dB}$, $\text{SNR}=20\text{dB}$ compared to conventional SLM scheme. The modulation of the CDMA signal is QPSK.

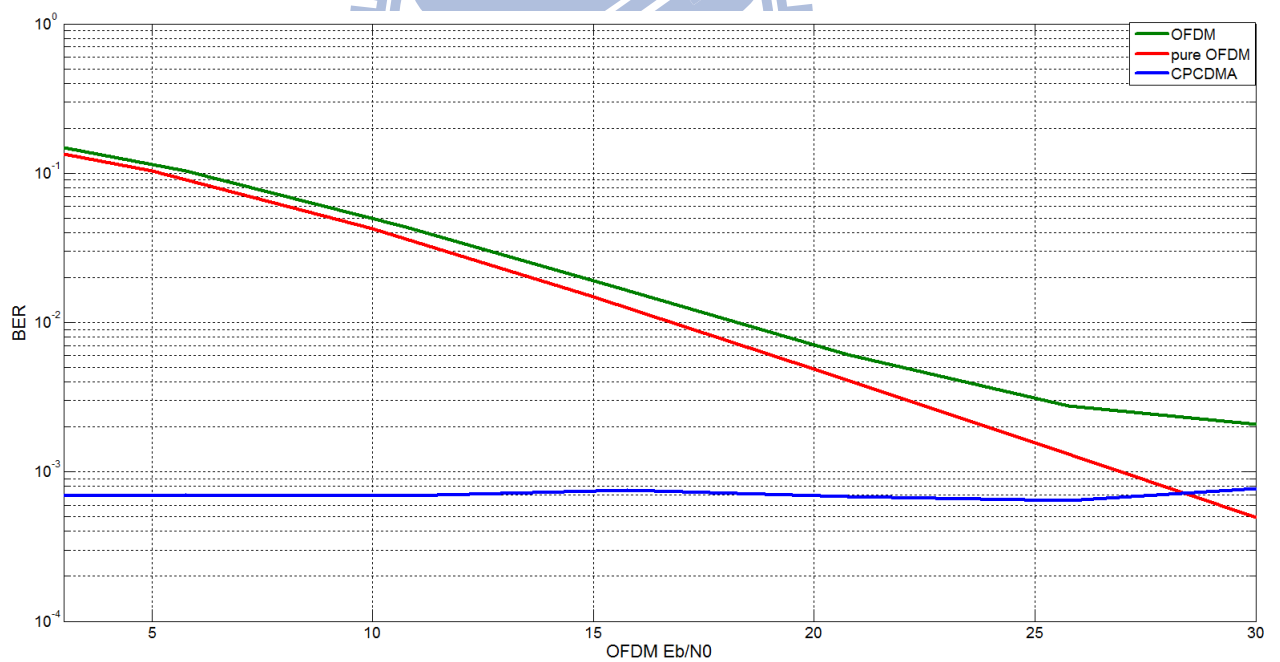
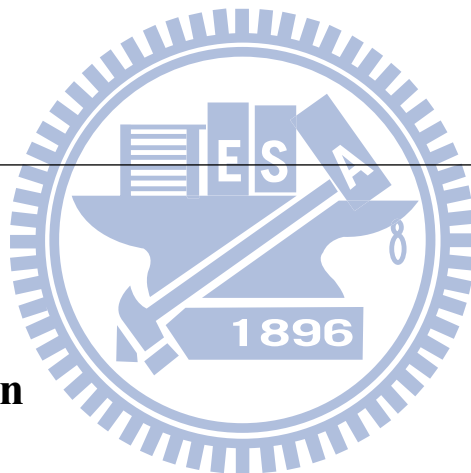


Figure 3.7: BER performance of OFDM and CDMA with 3 PN codes/64 SLM phases.



4.1 Introduction

In this chapter, an innovative idea, named filtered-OFDM, is proposed. The core idea behind this method is to reduce PAPR via filtering OFDM waveform. The original OFDM signal is passed through distinct filters. Then, the one with minimum PAPR among all alternative filtered-OFDM signals is selected and transmitted. By filtering the waveform, the original high peaks of the OFDM signal can be significantly smoothed.

The main parameters that determine the PAPR reduction capability are the number of filter taps and the number of alternative filtered-OFDM signals. Clearly, as the number of alternative filtered-OFDM signals and the number of filter taps increase, the amount of PAPR reduction becomes more significant.

Two types of filtered-OFDM methods will be covered in the following. At first, finite impulse response pre-filtering(FIRP) method, which uses finite impulse response(FIR) filters will be introduced. Then, we introduce all-pass filter pre-filtering(APFP)[13] method, where the OFDM signal is passed through an first-order all-pass filter.

4.2 System model of FIRP method

The block diagram is shown in 4.1. At first, U FIR pre-filtering(FIRP) OFDM signals are generated, and the u^{th} candidate OFDM signal \mathbf{x}_u is given as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_u &= \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d} \otimes_c \mathbf{h}_u \\ &= \mathbf{H}_u \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d}, 1 \leq u \leq U\end{aligned}\tag{4.1}$$

where the operation \otimes_c denotes circular convolution, $\mathbf{h}_u = [h_u[0] \cdots h_u[L_f - 1]]^T$ represents the vector of filter taps, \mathbf{H}_u represents circular filter matrix, and L_f is the filter length.

For the purpose of normalization, the coefficients of filter taps are constrained by

$$\sum_{i=0}^{L_f-1} |h_u[i]|^2 = 1, 1 \leq u \leq U\tag{4.2}$$

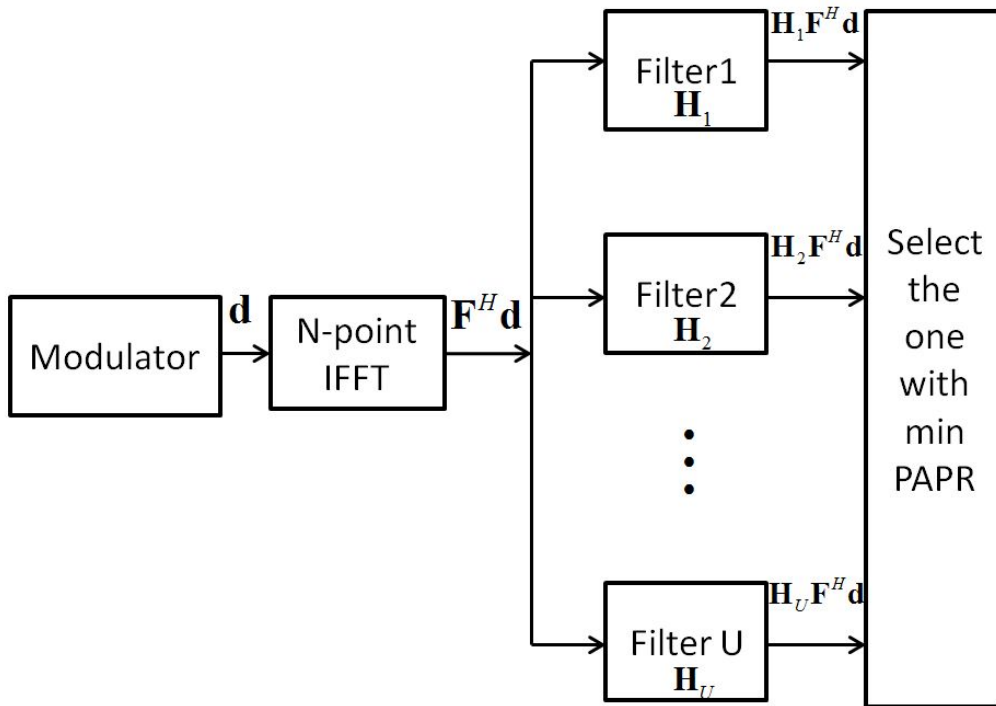


Figure 4.1: Block diagram of filtered-OFDM

4.3 Problem in the FIRP OFDM signals

There are two difficulties encountered by FIRP OFDM signals. First, as the filter length increases, more pilot tones are required to estimate the effective channel. Second, as the number of filter taps increases, channel selectivity becomes more serious. We take Fig.4.2 and Fig.4.3 as two examples. Fig.4.2 and Fig.4.3 show two typical channel realizations and their corresponding filtered effective channel with two taps and four taps, respectively. It can be observed from these two figures that with the increase of the number of filter taps, the effective channel becomes more and more frequency-selective. As channel coding and interleaving can provide diversity gain in OFDM systems, they are used here to combat frequency selectivity.

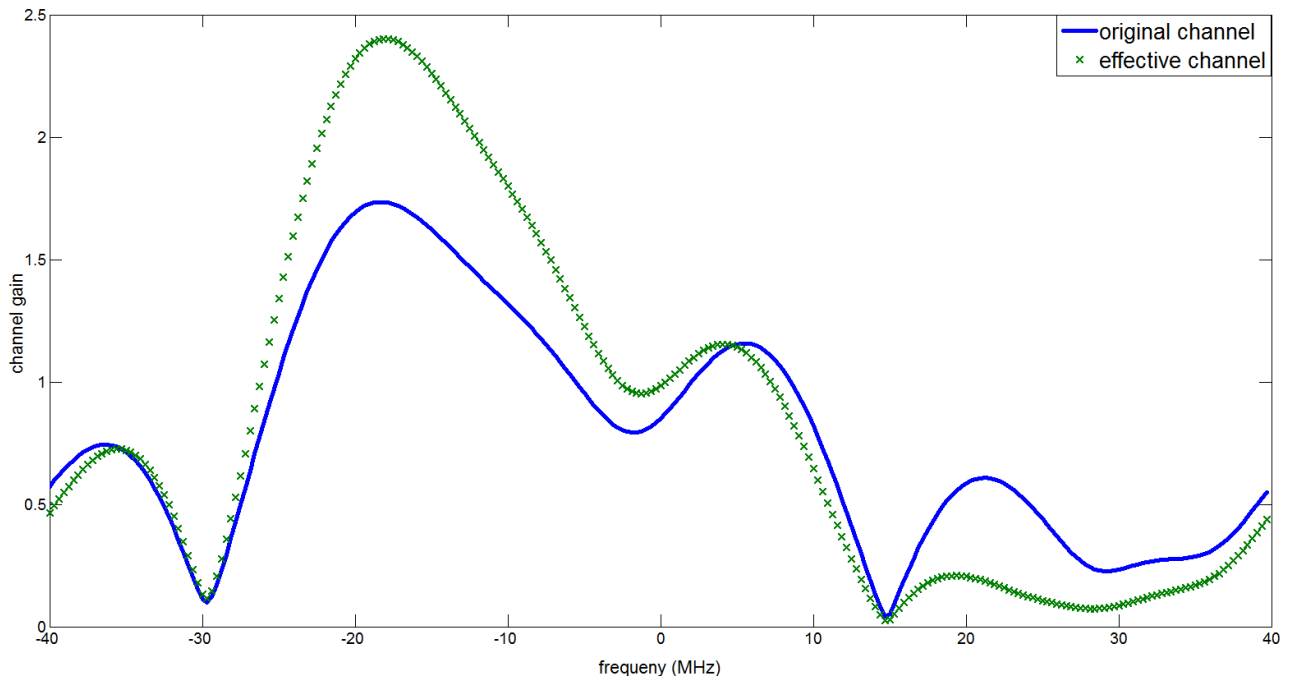


Figure 4.2: Frequency response of an effective channel with the number of filter taps=2 compared with the original channel.

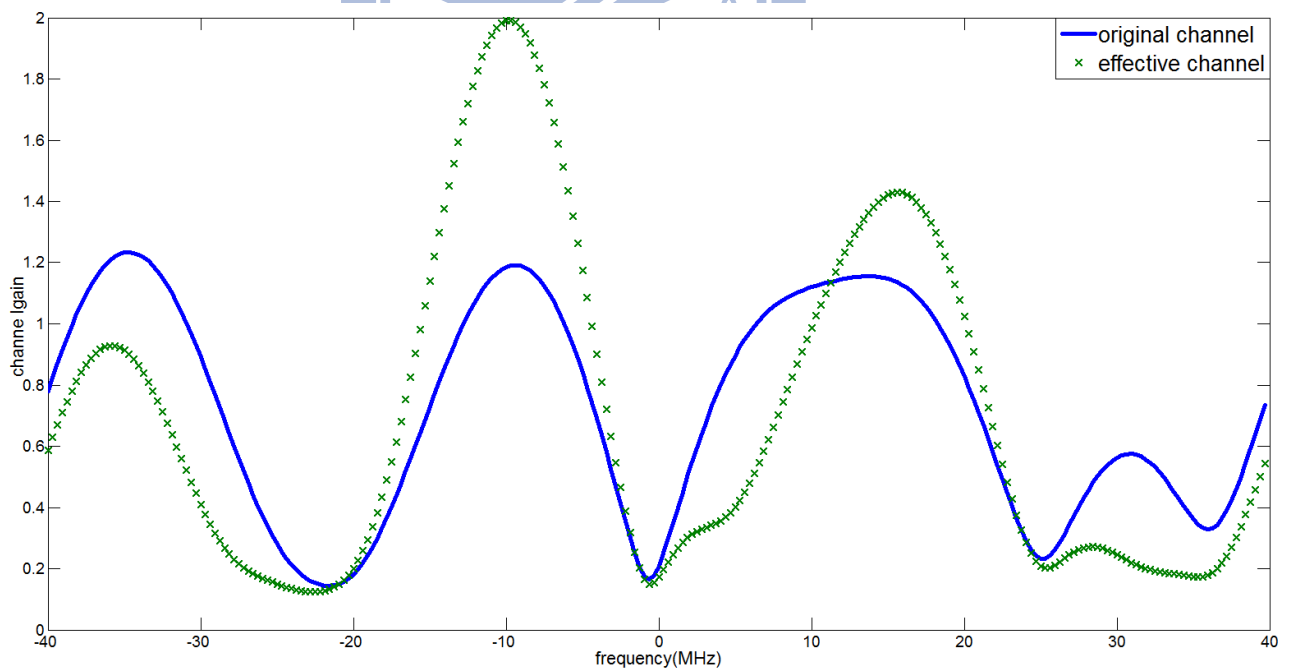


Figure 4.3: Frequency response of an effective channel with the number of filter taps=4 compared with the original channel.

4.4 Pilot-aided channel estimation

We assume the channel length is L_h , filter length is L_f and pilot number is P . The effective channel length $L = L_h + L_f - 1$ is also assumed to be smaller than CP length so that ISI is avoided. The received signal after CP removal and FFT operation can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{Y} &= \mathcal{H}\mathbf{d} + \mathbf{n} \\
 &= \text{diag}\{\mathbf{F}_{N \times L} \bar{\mathbf{h}}_{L \times 1}\} \mathbf{d} + \mathbf{n} \\
 &= \text{diag}\{\mathbf{F}_{N \times L} \bar{\mathbf{h}}_{L \times 1}\} \mathbf{d}_{\text{pilot}} + \text{diag}\{\mathbf{F}_{N \times L} \bar{\mathbf{h}}_{L \times 1}\} \mathbf{d}_{\text{data}} + \mathbf{n}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.3}$$

where \mathcal{H} is a diagonal matrix of channel frequency response and $\bar{\mathbf{h}}_{L \times 1}$ is the effective channel to be estimated. Then, we extract the pilot components from (4.3) and get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{\mathbf{Y}}_{P \times 1} &= \text{diag}\{\mathbf{F}_{P \times L} \bar{\mathbf{h}}_{L \times 1}\} \bar{\mathbf{d}}_{\text{pilot}} + \mathbf{z} \\
 &= \text{diag}\{\bar{\mathbf{d}}_{\text{pilot}}\} \mathbf{F}_{P \times L} \bar{\mathbf{h}}_{L \times 1} + \mathbf{z}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

Let $\mathbf{A} = \text{diag}\{\bar{\mathbf{d}}_{\text{pilot}}\} \mathbf{F}_{P \times L}$. Finally, by least square principle, the effective channel can be estimated as

$$\hat{\bar{\mathbf{h}}}_{L \times 1} = (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \bar{\mathbf{Y}}_{P \times 1} \tag{4.5}$$

4.5 Remedy:APFP method

Although the FIRP OFDM signal can reduce PAPR significantly, it suffers from the BER degradation incurred by its high frequency selectivity. As a result, in order to limit the frequency selectivity, an all-pass filter pre-filtering(APFP) method, with unit magnitude response, is exploited. Since all-pass filter does not change the magnitude of a channel, the frequency selectivity increasing problem faced by FIRP can be totally prevented.

It is notable that the APFP method is analogous to the SLM method, for they both change only the phases of input symbol vectors in frequency domain. However, as presented in the

chapter 3, additional bandwidth is sacrificed for the transmission of the phase sequence index in the SLM method, whereas the APFP method, which uses the pilot to estimate the effective channel, needs not the transmission of the phase sequence index. Besides, the complexity of the APFP method is lower than IFFT. Therefore, using the APFP method may be a good solution in both complexity reduction and frequency selective mitigation in the FIRP method.

In the following, we review the transfer function and the corresponding impulse response of a first-order all-pass filter. The transfer function of a first-order all-pass filter is written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(z) &= \frac{z^{-1} - z_0^*}{1 - z_0 z^{-1}} \\
 &= \frac{z^{-1}}{1 - z_0 z^{-1}} - \frac{z_0^*}{1 - z_0 z^{-1}}
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.6}$$

where z_0 is a complex number that $|z_0| \in (0, 1)$ and $\angle z_0 \in (0, 2\pi)$ ¹ The corresponding impulse response of (5.4)

$$h[n] = z_0^{n-1} u[n-1] - z_0^* z_0^n u[n] \tag{4.7}$$

where $u[n]$ is an unit step function.

In the previous section, the information of effective channel length is needed at receiver. However, when using all-pass filter, the effective channel is an infinite impulse response(IIR) filter and its effective channel length is, strictly speaking, unlimited. Fortunately, from (4.7), it is observed that most energy is concentrated in the most few preceding taps, and the effect of other taps can be neglected. However, as different z_0 s will produce different effective channel length, the effective channel length might have a wide range. Hence, it is difficult to apply time-domain channel estimation described in section 4.4. This problem can be easily solved by using frequency-domain channel estimation to replace time-domain channel estimation. In other words, the channel frequency response can be interpolated from pilot subcarriers.

On the other hands, in order to use time domain channel estimation and use the same number of pilot subcarriers as the FIRP method, we constrain the amplitude of z_0 between 0.01 and 0.5.

¹The constraint is made so that the system is causal and stable.

By this way, the most energy of all pass filter will concentrate on the forward taps, so using the time domain channel estimation will not cause serious mistake.

4.6 Simulation results

The simulation parameters are listed in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1: Simulation parameters

Channel model	802.11ac channel model
Bandwidth	80MHz
Power delay profile in Fig.4.4	
FFT	256
CP length	64
OFDM modulation	16QAM
FIRP taps	3/4/7/10
Filter number	30
Channel coding	LDPC code
Code rate	0.5
Pilot number in FIRP	12
Pilot number in APFP	8/12/16/32

In Fig.4.5, the PAPR reduction performance of different taps FIRP OFDM signals and APFP OFDM signals is presented. In addition, it is also compared to the tone reservation(TR) method [6]. The TR method is formulated as convex optimization problem in Appendix A according to reference [6]. We just use matlab software to solve the complex optimization problem. Although the APFP method can suppress frequency selectivity, the PAPR reduction performance is inferior to the FIRP method. There is a tradeoff between the PAPR reduction performance

and the BER degradation. Moreover, the PAPR reduction performance of the FIRP method and the APFP method are both superior to the TR method.

In Fig.4.6-Fig.4.7, we compare the BER performance of $L_f = 3$ taps FIRP OFDM signal with and without channel coding. Without channel coding, the BER degradation of the FIRP OFDM signal approximates to 8dB. Remarkably, with channel coding, the BER degradation of the FIRP OFDM signal shrinks from 8dB to 2.7dB. The BER penalty is severe in the FIRP OFDM signals. It is apparent that the BER distortion of the FIRP OFDM signal can be lightened with channel coding.

In Fig.4.8, the BER performance of the APFP method, which uses different pilot number to estimate the effective channel in frequency domain, is presented. It is intuitive that the channel estimation becomes more precise when more pilot subcarriers are used to interpolate the effective channel. Therefore, the BER performance of the APFP method will be improved when more pilot subcarriers are used.

In Fig.4.9, we compare the BER performance of the APFP and FIRP method. In the APFP method, the amplitude of z_0 is constrained between 0.01 and 0.5. In the FIRP method, the filter number is 3. The pilot subcarriers in both methods are the same. It is obvious that the APFP method has better BER performance compared to the FIRP method due to the usage of all pass filters.

Model B

		Tap index	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Excess delay [ns]	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80
Cluster 1	Power [dB]	0	-5.4	-10.8	-16.2	-21.7					
	AoA [°]	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3					
	AS (receiver) [°]	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4					
	AoD [°]	225.1	225.1	225.1	225.1	225.1					
	AS (transmitter) [°]	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4	14.4					
Cluster 2	Power [dB]				-3.2	-6.3	-9.4	-12.5	-15.6	-18.7	-21.8
	AoA [°]				118.4	118.4	118.4	118.4	118.4	118.4	118.4
	AS [°]				25.2	25.2	25.2	25.2	25.2	25.2	25.2
	AoD [°]				106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5
	AS [°]				25.4	25.4	25.4	25.4	25.4	25.4	25.4

Figure 4.4: 802.11n Physical model B: Power delay profile.

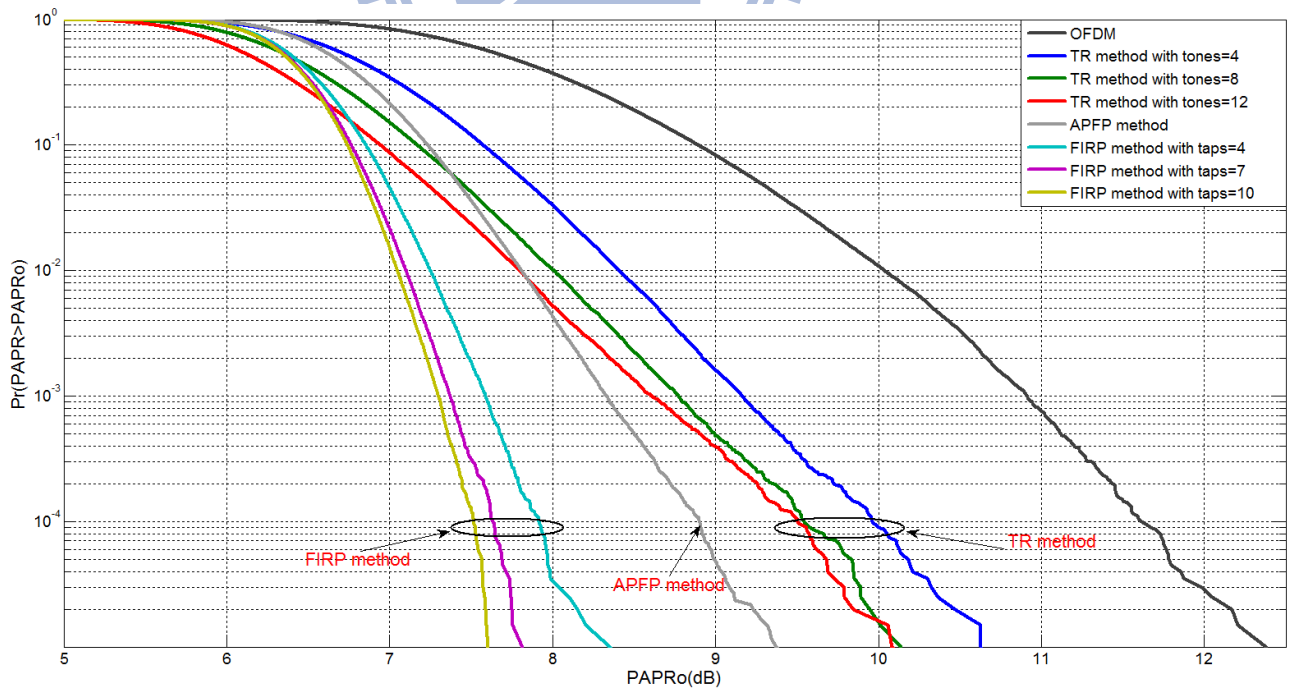


Figure 4.5: The PAPR reduction behavior of the FIRP and the APFP method as compared with the TR method.

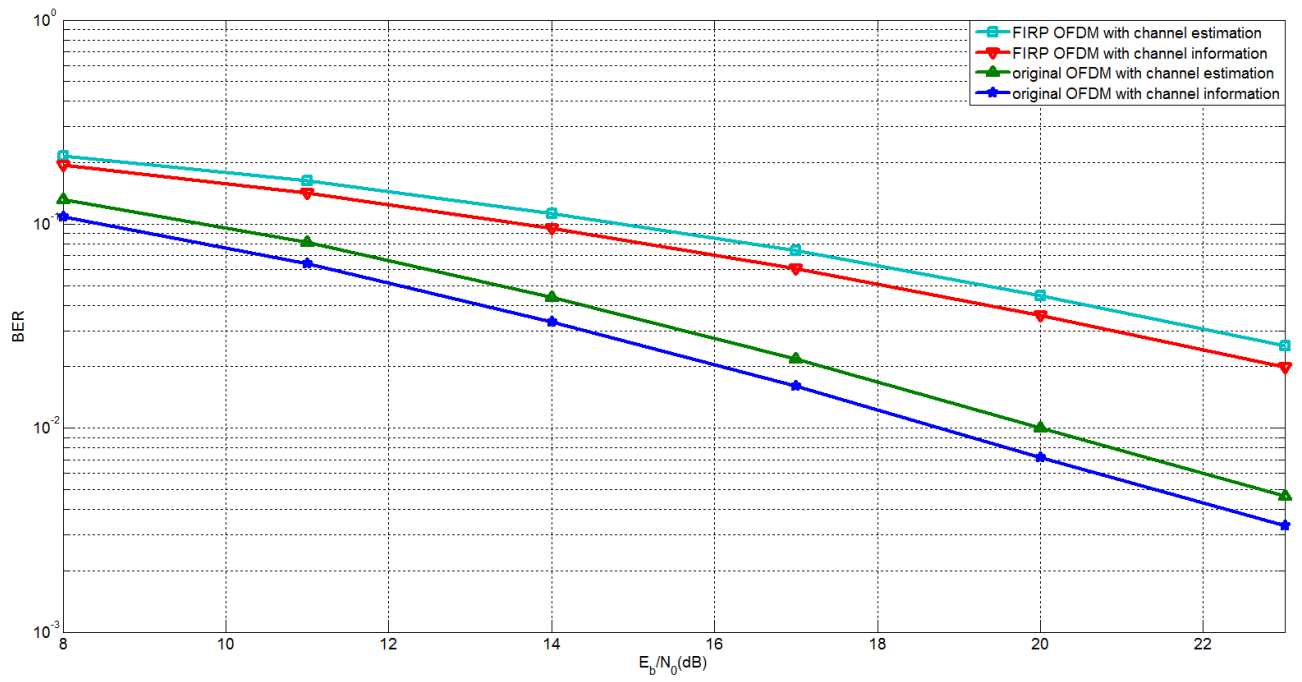


Figure 4.6: BER performance of the FIRP method without channel coding.

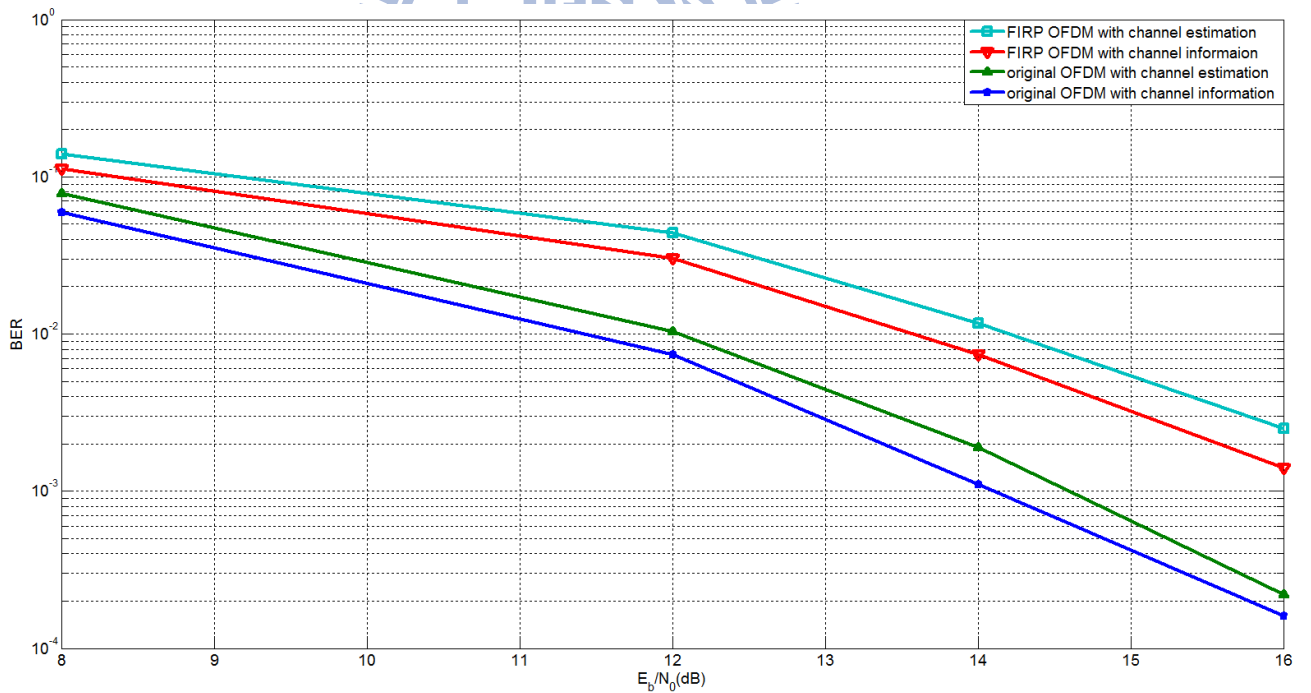


Figure 4.7: BER performance of the FIRP method with channel coding.

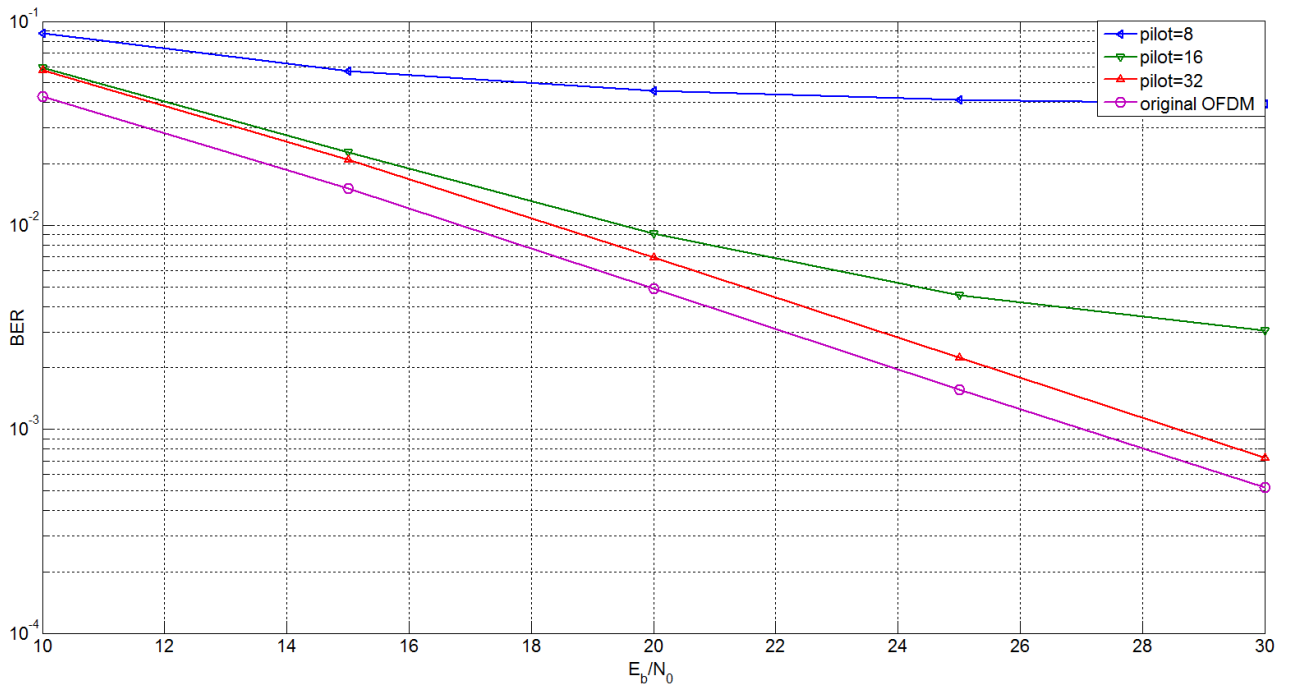


Figure 4.8: BER performance of the APFP method.

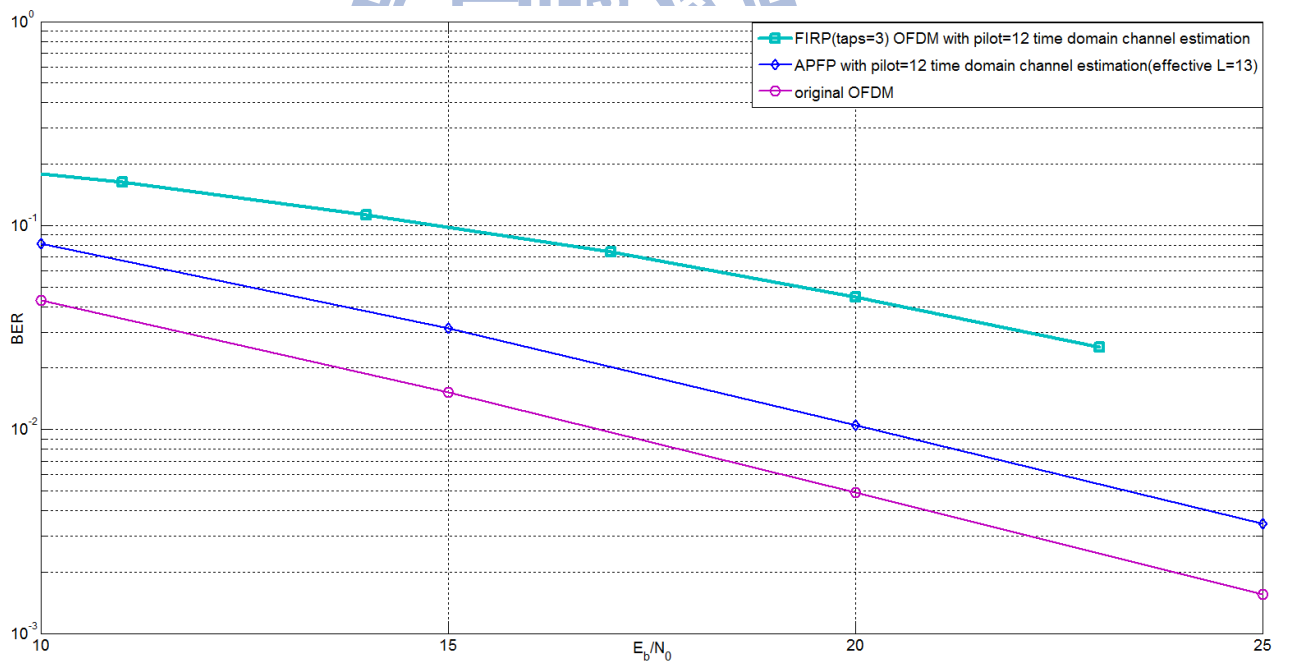


Figure 4.9: BER performance of the APFP method compared with the FIRP(taps=3) method.

The clipped OFDM with CDMA side information



5.1 Motivation

Clipping is a simple method to reduced the PAPR of OFDM signal. However, because clipping is a nonlinear process, it has two main drawbacks. First, clipping generates self interference by distorting signal amplitude which increases the BER. Second, it also gives rise to re-growth of the high frequency components.

The basic idea of this method is that we use the CDMA signals to transmit the clipped signals. However, because the clipped signals are directly transmitted by CDMA without any modulation scheme used, the demodulation of the clipped signals will be interfered. With the increase of the clipped signals, the interference to each demodulated clipped signal will be considerable. As another point of view, the BER performance of the proposed method may be infe-

rior to the clipping method if the number of clipped signals is not small enough or the clipping level is not low enough. Thus, in order to highlight the performance of the proposed method, we deal with the special case that few peaks of OFDM signals with high PAPR are clipped. Then, CDMA signals are utilized to transmit the lost information caused by clipping. At receiver, after detecting the clipped peaks, the clipped OFDM signal can be restored within an acceptable distortion range.

Because a portion power of OFDM is used to transmit the clipped signals by CDMA, we expect that the OFDM signal will have some BER distortion. Even though the clipped signals can be reconstructed perfectly, the BER degradation is still unavoidable. Thus, we have to find a “suitable” power ratio that the clipped signals can be reconstructed as perfect as possible and the power loss of OFDM can be minimized.

5.2 System model

We assume that an OFDM signal has M peaks clipped. A PN code with a chosen phase is used to transmit the M clipped signals. The code length is equal to FFT size. Then, the different sampling time of an OFDM signal can be represented by different phase code. In Fig.5.1, the transmitted signal can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}^H\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{G}\boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \alpha\mathbf{G}\sum_{i=1}^M\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_i\tilde{s}_i \quad (5.1)$$

where \mathbf{G} is the operation of adding CP, $\tilde{s}_1 \cdots \tilde{s}_M$ are the clipped signals, $\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 \cdots \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_M$ are different phase PN codes to carry the clipped time index, α is a coefficient to adjust the power ratio between OFDM and CDMA signal, $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ is the clipped signal vector of OFDM, $\tilde{s}_1 \cdots \tilde{s}_M$ are the nonzero elements in $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$.

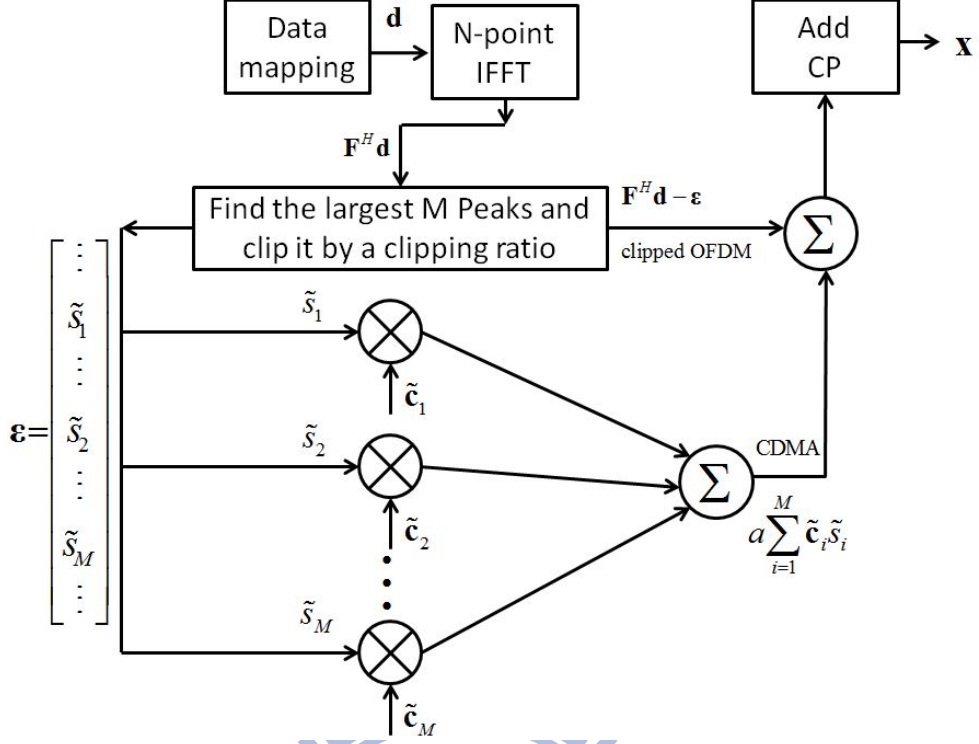


Figure 5.1: Block diagram of clipped OFDM and CDMA transmitter.

The clipping ratio [8] is defined as

$$CR = \frac{A}{\sigma} \quad (5.2)$$

where A is a clipping level and σ is the rms of an OFDM signal.

The received signal \mathbf{y} can be represented as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n} \\ &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d} + \alpha \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G} \sum_{i=1}^M \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_i \tilde{s}_i - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G}\boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \mathbf{n} \end{aligned} \quad (5.3)$$

where \mathbf{H} is the channel matrix, and $\mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$.

5.3 Matched filter

The demodulation procedure is the same as chapter 3 based on a successive interference cancellation(SIC) approach. First of all, the receiver needs to detect the clipped signals transmitted

by CDMA. Second, the receiver reconstructs the CDMA signal and the clipped vector. Third, it subtracts the interference from the CDMA signal and restores the clipped OFDM. In order to detect the clipped signals, the most direct method is to use a matched filter receiver. If the power of the clipped signals is large enough, the clipped signals can be detected after N matched filter banks. The overall block diagram of the receiver structure is shown in Fig.5.2.

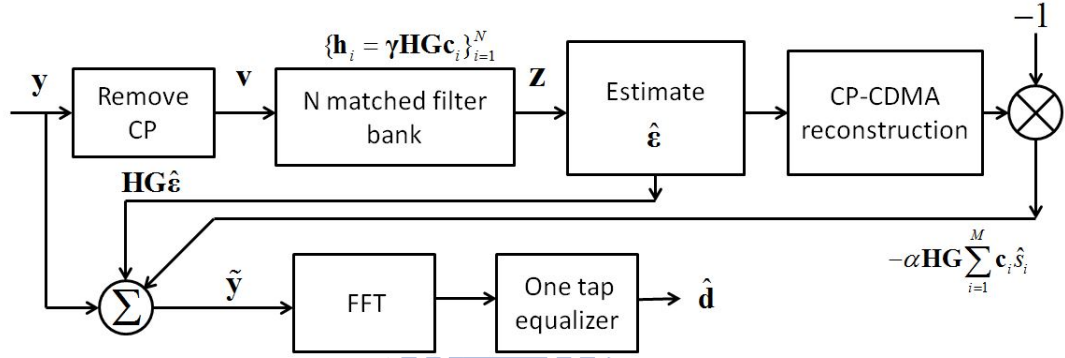


Figure 5.2: Block diagram of matched filter receiver and OFDM demodulation.

After CP removal, the received signal vector

$$\mathbf{v} = \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d} + \alpha \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \sum_{i=1}^M \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_i \tilde{s}_i - \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \Upsilon \mathbf{n} \quad (5.4)$$

where Υ is the operation of CP removal. Furthermore, (5.4) can be derived as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v} &= \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d} + \alpha \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 \tilde{s}_1 + \alpha \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_2 \tilde{s}_2 + \cdots + \alpha \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_M \tilde{s}_M \\ &\quad - \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \Upsilon \mathbf{n} \\ &= \mathbf{i}_{OFDM} + \alpha \mathbf{H}_e \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1 \tilde{s}_1 + \alpha \mathbf{H}_e \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_2 \tilde{s}_2 + \cdots + \alpha \mathbf{H}_e \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_M \tilde{s}_M - \mathbf{H}_e \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}} \\ &= \mathbf{i}_{OFDM} + \alpha \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_1 \tilde{s}_1 + \alpha \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_2 \tilde{s}_2 + \cdots + \alpha \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_M \tilde{s}_M - \mathbf{H}_e \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}} \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

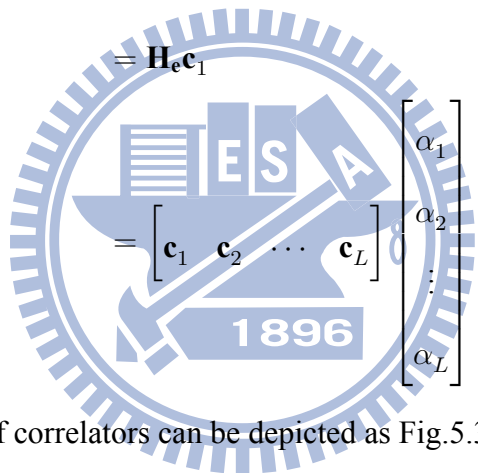
where \mathbf{H}_e is a circular matrix of channel impulse response \mathbf{h} , $\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_1 = \mathbf{H}_e \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1$, $\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_2 = \mathbf{H}_e \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_2$, \cdots , $\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_M = \mathbf{H}_e \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_M$

After N matched filter banks, we obtain vector

$$\mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{h}_1^H \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{h}_1^H \mathbf{h}_1} \\ \frac{\mathbf{h}_2^H \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{h}_2^H \mathbf{h}_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\mathbf{h}_N^H \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{h}_N^H \mathbf{h}_N} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.6)$$

Where $\mathbf{h}_1 = \mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{h}_N = \mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{c}_N$. Then, the largest M elements in \mathbf{z} are chosen as the estimated clipped signals.

For example, consider the case that \mathbf{h}_1 is to be matched. Since \mathbf{h}_1 can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{h}_1 &= \Upsilon \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{c}_1 \\ &= \mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{c}_1 \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c}_1 & \mathbf{c}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{c}_L \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_L \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (5.7)$$


the corresponding bank of correlators can be depicted as Fig.5.3.

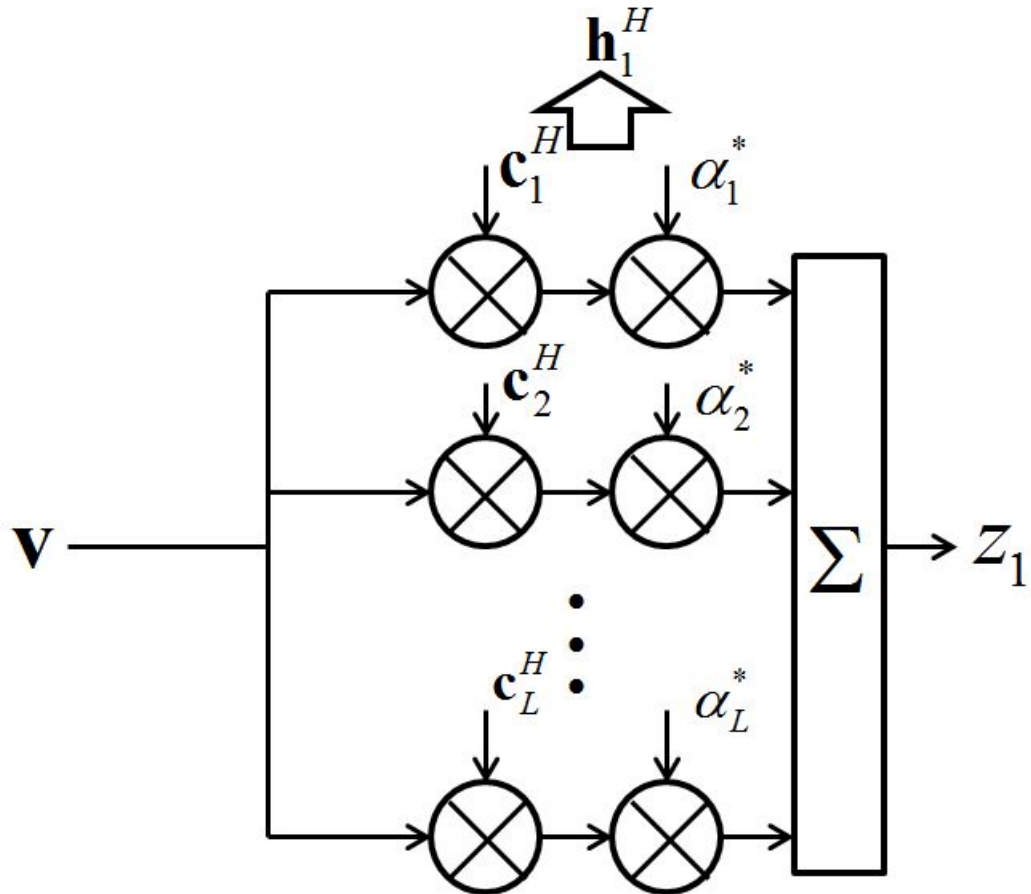


Figure 5.3: Example of a bank of correlators that matches to \mathbf{h}_1 .

In addition, the performance of matched filter can be improved by sequentially matching the larger peaks and subtracting the corresponding interference. By using the modified matched filter, the interference to each code can be lightened. The algorithm is described as follows

Algorithm 1 Sequentially-matched filter

Initial $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{N \times 1} = \mathbf{0}_{N \times 1}$

for $m = 1 ; m \leq M ; m ++$ **do**

$\mathbf{z}_{N \times 1} = \mathbf{0}_{N \times 1}$

for $n = 1 ; n \leq N ; n ++$ **do**

$\mathbf{a}_{N \times 1} = \alpha \mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{c}_n = \alpha \mathbf{h}_n$

$z(n) = (\mathbf{a}^H \mathbf{a})^{-1} \mathbf{a}^H \mathbf{v}$

end for

Find maximum $z(n^*)$ as the detected clipped signal and save it in $\hat{e}(n^*)$

Subtract the interference of the reconstructed CDMA signal: $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} - \alpha \mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{c}_{n^*} z(n^*)$

end for

As a result, the $\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{N \times 1}$ is the detected clipped vector.

5.4 Quasi-exhaustive peak position searching algorithm

Although the matched filter receiver is an intuitive method to detect peaks, we have no idea what the best receiver in this problem is. In the following, we will analyze the problem mathematically and find an optimal and a suboptimal solutions. In order to further improve the performance, we rewrite (5.4) as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v} &= \mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d} + \alpha \mathbf{H}_e \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c}_1 & \mathbf{c}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{c}_N \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \mathbf{H}_e \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \Upsilon \mathbf{n} \\ &= \mathbf{H}_e (\alpha \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{I}) \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \bar{\mathbf{n}} \\ &= \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} + \bar{\mathbf{n}} \end{aligned} \tag{5.8}$$

Here, we combine clipped vector and CDMA signal as the desired signal, where \mathbf{C} is a matrix containing different phase code vector $\mathbf{c}_i, i = 1 \cdots N$, $\bar{\mathbf{n}}$ is the effective noise including OFDM and AWGN.

In order to estimate ϵ more precisely, we need to find the correct code phases that carry the clipped signals. In the following, we introduce exhaustive and quasi-exhaustive peak position searching algorithms to find the code phases accurately. Because only M elements in ϵ are nonzero, the best method to find the code phases is exhaustively searching all combinations. We assume M peaks in ϵ and calculate the corresponding matched filter matrix.

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{H}_\epsilon(\alpha \mathbf{C}_M - \mathbf{I}_M) \quad (5.9)$$

where \mathbf{C}_M and \mathbf{I}_M are the M column vectors in \mathbf{C} and \mathbf{I} corresponding to M nonzero elements in ϵ

Algorithm 2 Exhaustive peak position searching algorithm

Initial $J = 1, \mathbf{A}^* = \mathbf{0}_{N \times M}$

repeat

Select M column vectors in \mathbf{C} and \mathbf{I} without repetition

Calculate $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{H}_\epsilon(\alpha \mathbf{C}_M - \mathbf{I}_M)$

Calculate $\hat{\epsilon}_{M \times 1} = (\bar{\mathbf{A}}^H \bar{\mathbf{A}})^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{A}}^H \mathbf{y}$

Assign $\hat{\epsilon}_{M \times 1} \Rightarrow \hat{\epsilon}_{N \times 1}$ according to which column vectors have been selected.

Calculate $\bar{J} = \|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{H}_\epsilon(\alpha \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{I}) \hat{\epsilon}_{N \times 1}\|$

if $\bar{J} < J$ **then**

$J = \bar{J}, \mathbf{A}^* = \bar{\mathbf{A}}$

end if

until All possible combinations of code phases are searched and the \mathbf{A}^* is the ML matched filter matrix.

However, due to the high complexity of exhaustive peak position searching algorithm, we apply an alternative quasi-exhaustive peak position searching algorithm. In the following, we introduce the quasi-exhaustive peak position searching algorithm.

Algorithm 3 Quasi-exhaustive peak position searching algorithm

Initial $\mathbf{C}_M^* = \mathbf{0}_{N \times M}$

for $m = 1$; $m \leq M$; $m++$ **do**

for $n = 1$; $n \leq N$; $n++$ **do**

$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{N \times 1} = \mathbf{0}_{N \times 1}$

$\mathbf{C}_m = \text{arrange} \left[\mathbf{c}_n \quad \mathbf{C}_{m-1}^* \right]$ in right order.

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H}_e(\alpha \mathbf{C}_m - \mathbf{I}_m) \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{m \times 1} = (\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{y}$

$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{m \times 1} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{N \times 1} \rightarrow J_n = \|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{H}_e(\alpha \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{I}) \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{N \times 1}\|$

end for

 Find minimum J_n^* and save n^* as the clipped index

$\mathbf{C}_m^* \leftarrow \mathbf{c}_{n^*}$

end for

$\mathbf{A}^* = \mathbf{H}_e(\alpha \mathbf{C}_M^* - \mathbf{I}_M)$

5.5 Best linear unbiased estimator(BLUE)

From the above, we know that the best matched filter matrix is $\mathbf{A}^* = \mathbf{H}_e(\alpha \mathbf{C}_M^* - \mathbf{I}_M)$. The suboptimal peak value estimation can be found by LS solution. Then, the estimated M clipped peak values are

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}_M^* = (\mathbf{A}^{*H} \mathbf{A}^*)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^{*H} \mathbf{v} \quad (5.10)$$

The estimated M clipped peak values are assigned to $\hat{\mathbf{e}}$ corresponding to the estimated code phase position.

By Gaussian-Markov Theorem [12], we know that if the data are of general linear model form

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}^* \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_M + \bar{\mathbf{n}} \quad (5.11)$$

where \mathbf{A}^* is a known $N \times M$ matrix, $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_M$ is a $M \times 1$ vector of parameters to be estimated,

and $\bar{\mathbf{n}}$ is a $N \times 1$ noise vector with zero mean and covariance \mathbf{R}_c , then the best linear unbiased estimator (BLUE) of ϵ_M is

$$\hat{\epsilon}_M^* = (\mathbf{A}^{*H} \mathbf{R}_c^{-1} \mathbf{A}^*)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^{*H} \mathbf{R}_c^{-1} \mathbf{v} \quad (5.12)$$

where \mathbf{R}_c is the covariance matrix given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_c &= \mathbb{E}\{\bar{\mathbf{n}}\bar{\mathbf{n}}^H\} \\ &= \mathbb{E}\{(\mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d} + \Upsilon \mathbf{n})(\mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{d} + \Upsilon \mathbf{n})^H\} \\ &= \mathbf{H}_e \mathbf{H}_e^H + \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I} \end{aligned} \quad (5.13)$$

If the data are truly Gaussian, then the BLUE is also the minimum variance unbiased estimator (MVUE). Afterwards, the OFDM signal will be recovered by reconstructing the estimated clipped vector to the received signal and subtracting the reconstruction of CDMA signal from the OFDM signal.

5.6 Simulation results

The simulation parameters are listed in Table 5.1.

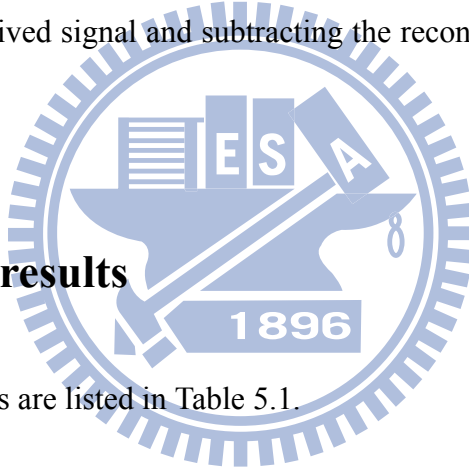


Table 5.1: Simulation parameters

Channel model	Veh-A channel
Bandwidth	5MHz
Subcarrier spacing	19.53kHz
Power delay profile	[0,-1,-9,-10,-15,-20](dB)
FFT	256
CP length	64
Code	PN code
Code length	256
OFDM modulation	16QAM
Clipped peaks number	1/2
Clipping ratio	0.2/0.2
Power ratio ²	2.5/2.5
Clipping threshold	9dB

In Fig.5.4-Fig.5.5, because a portion power of the OFDM signal is used to transmit the clipped signal carried by the CDMA, the original BER distortion is about 1.46dB. Nevertheless, there is still additional BER degradation owing to the imperfect clipped vector reconstruction and interference cancellation. Finally, the BER distortion becomes more and more serious when the number of clipped signals increases. Thus, the number of clipped signals should be constrained to prevent the BER from serious degradation. Furthermore, in Fig.5.4-Fig.5.5, it is apparent that BLUE and sequentially-matched filter have similar BER performance, whereas the computational complexity of sequentially-matched filter is significantly less than BLUE. Hence, the sequentially-matched filter is a better receiver in both BER performance and complexity.

In Fig.5.6, the PAPR reduction performance of the proposed scheme is compared to the

²The "power ratio" is defined as the power ratio between OFDM and CDMA signal.

clipping method. As the clipping threshold is 9 dB, the high PAPR OFDM signals have some PAPR regrowth at 9 dB threshold. This is because there are several high peaks in the high PAPR OFDM signals that are clipped with only few peaks. Therefore, the PAPR reduction performance is limited.

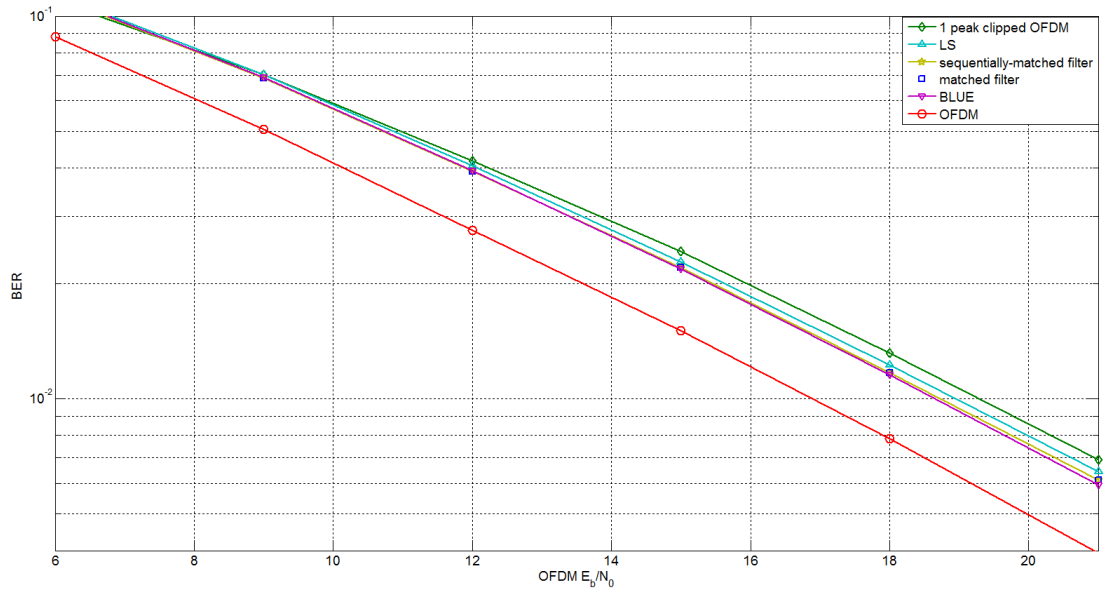


Figure 5.4: BER performance of clipped-OFDM with CDMA signal. The clipping number=1, clipping ratio=0.2 and power ratio=2.5

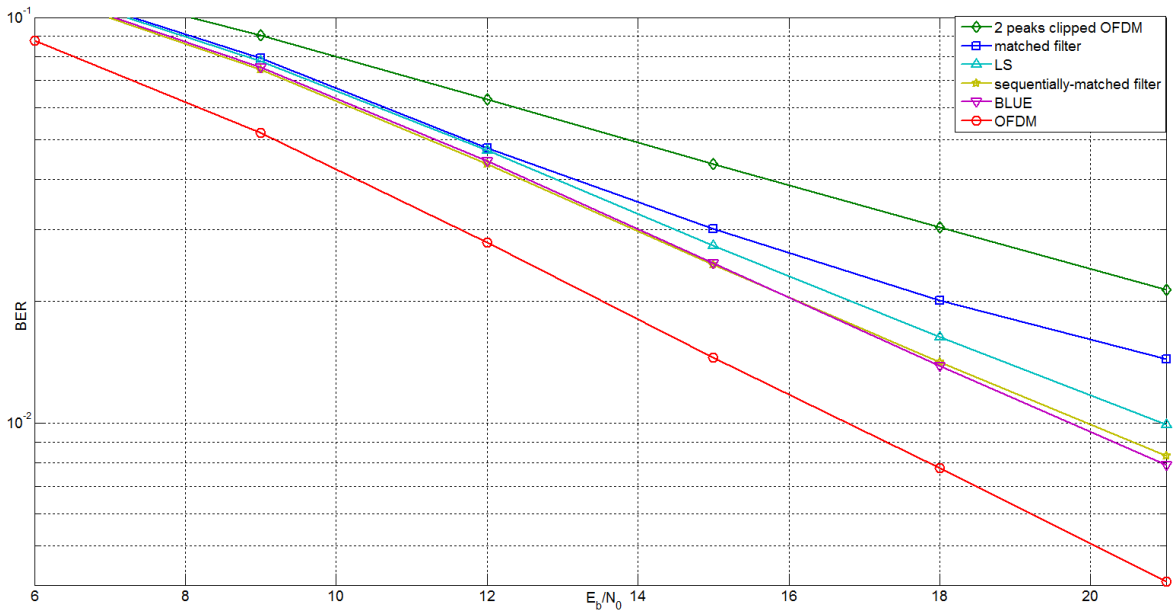


Figure 5.5: BER performance of clipped-OFDM with CDMA signal. The clipping number=2, clipping ratio=0.2 and power ratio=2.5

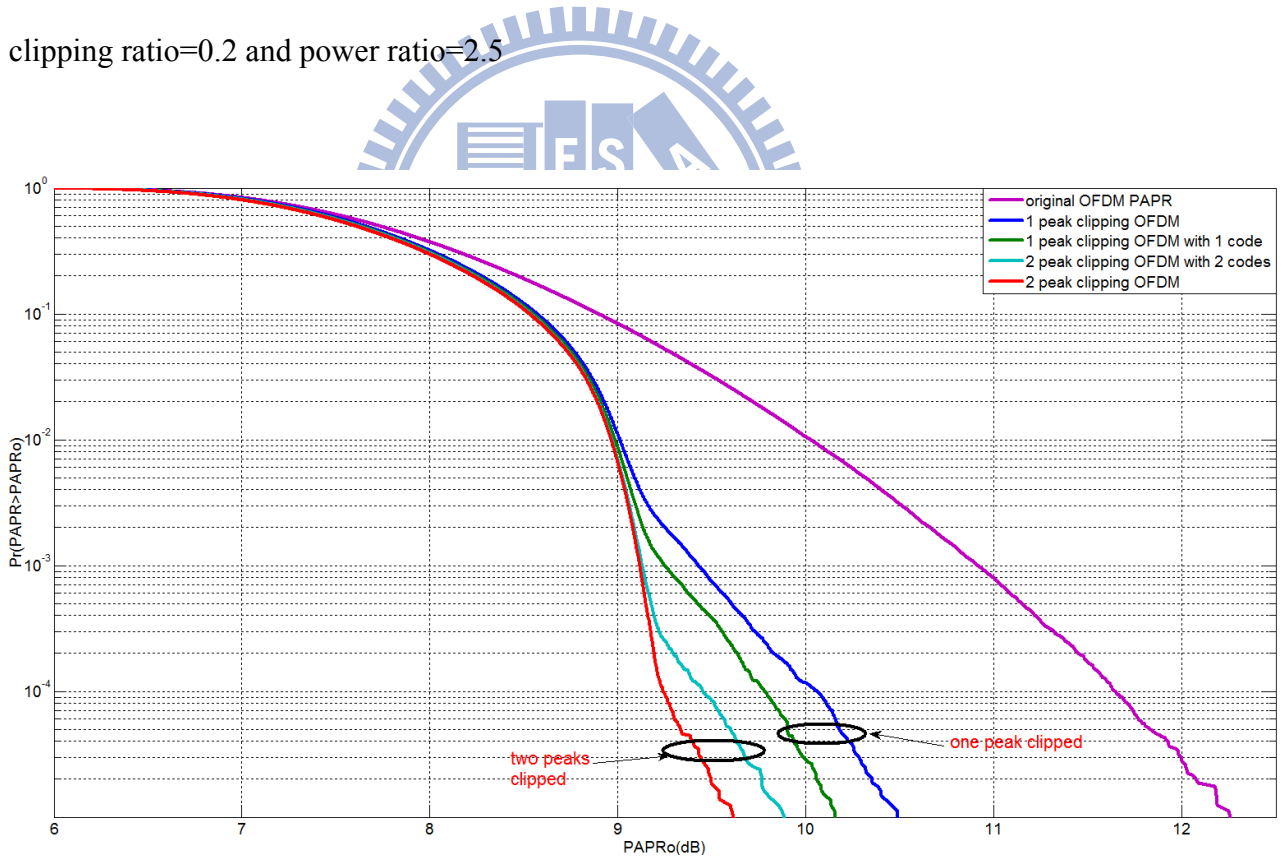
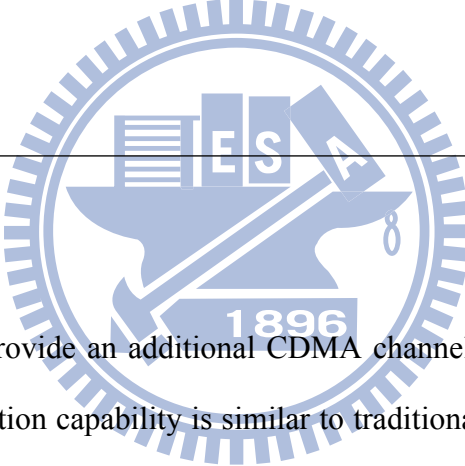


Figure 5.6: PAPR reduction performance with different clipping number, clipping ratio=0.2 and power ratio=2.5.

CHAPTER 6

Conclusion



In the first method, we provide an additional CDMA channel to transmit the index of phase sequence. Its PAPR reduction capability is similar to traditional SLM method. In addition, by designing the power coefficient α related to a predefined SINR β , the BER of the CDMA signal can be controlled. Then, the BER degradation of OFDM can be maintained in an acceptable range.

In the second method, we use filters to reduce the PAPR of OFDM signals. We propose two filtered-OFDM methods: the FIR pre-filtering (FIRP) method and the all-pass filter pre-filtering (APFP) method. The FIRP method has better PAPR reduction performance when more filter taps are used as well as more alternative filtered-OFDM signals are generated. Additionally, in order to avoid the frequency-selectivity enhancement caused by FIRP method, the APFP method is proposed. The PAPR reduction performance of the APFP method is inferior to the FIRP method, but the BER degradation of the FIRP method can be lightened significantly

by using the APFP method. By using 32 pilot subcarriers to estimate the effective channel frequency response, the BER degradation is about 1.5 dB. In addition, by using 12 pilot subcarriers to estimate the effective channel in time domain, the BER degradation is about 3 dB.

In the third method, we only clip few peaks from the high PAPR OFDM signals. However, because a portion power (power ratio=2.5) of the OFDM signal is used to transmit the clipped signals carried by the CDMA, the original BER distortion is about 1.46 dB. On the other hand, there is still additional BER degradation owing to the imperfect clipped vector reconstruction and interference cancellation. Finally, the clipped OFDM signal can be restored with an acceptable distortion range. Nevertheless, its PAPR reduction performance is limited because only few peaks are clipped.

We compare the PAPR reduction performance and the BER distortion in Table 6.1. From the previous simulation results, we observe the following results. The PAPR reduction performance of SLM with CDMA method is better than FIRP, APFP and clipping method. The PAPR reduction performance of clipping scheme is inferior to other methods. Next, the FIRP and clipping method suffer from severe BER distortion. The SLM with CDMA and APFP method have slight BER distortion.

In Table 6.2, the complexity of transmitter is presented, and we observe the following facts. First, the clipping method does not require complex multiplications. Second, the APFP method has less complex multiplications compared to the SLM with CDMA method. Third, the FIRP method requires more complex multiplications when more filter taps are used for fixed U .

In Table 6.3, the complexity of receiver is shown, and we observe the following facts. First, the clipping method requires high complex multiplications due to peaks searching and equalization. Second, the SLM with CDMA method also requires more complex multiplications since complicated equalization is required. Third, compared to the SLM with CDMA and the clipping method, the filter method has lower complexity, for only channel estimation is needed.

Table 6.1: Comparison of three methods

	SLM with CDMA	Clipping	FIRP OFDM (without coding)	APFP OFDM
PAPR reduction	high	low	medium	medium
Distortion	low	high	high	low

Table 6.2: Comparison of Tx complexity

Tx Complexity	Complex multiplications
SLM with CDMA	$UN\log N$
L_f taps FIRP	$L_f NU$
APFP	$2NU$
Clipping	none

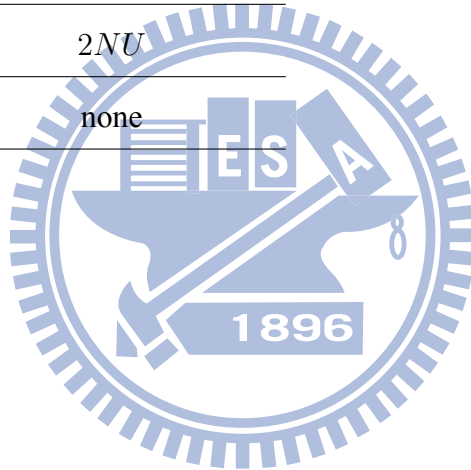
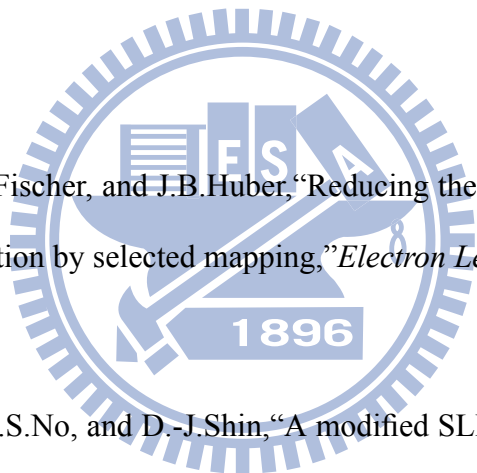


Table 6.3: Comparison of Rx complexity

Rx Complexity	Complex multiplications
SLM with CDMA	$M^3 + 2M^2N + MN + N^2M + N\log N$
L_f taps FIRP with time domain channel estimation	$L^3 + 2L^2P + 2LP + N\log N$
APFP(effective channel length=L) with time domain channel estimation	$L^3 + 2L^2P + 2LP + N\log N$
APFP with frequency domain channel estimation	$2N\log N$
Clipping(matched filter)	$2N^2$
Clipping (sequentially-matched filter)	$2N^2M$
Clipping(LS)	$M^3 + 2M^2N + MN + \Delta$
Clipping(BLUE)	$2N^3 + M^3 + 2M^2N + 2N^2M + MN + \Delta$
Clipping (quasi-exhaustive peak position searching)	$\Delta = \sum_{m=1}^M [N(m^3 + N^2m + 2Nm^2 + 2Nm)]$ $+ N^3 + N^2M$

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Problem Formulation for Tone Reservation [6]

Using the reserved tones to derive a peak-cancelling signal \mathbf{c} , the PAR of DMT signal can be reduced. Adding \mathbf{c} to the data-bearing signal \mathbf{x} produces the new composite signal.

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\mathbf{x}} &= \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c} \\ &= \mathbf{F}^H(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{C})\end{aligned}\tag{A.1}$$

Where $\mathbf{x} = [x[0] \cdots x[N-1]]^T$, $\mathbf{c} = [c[0] \cdots c[N-1]]^T$, $\mathbf{X} = [X_0 \cdots X_{N-1}]^T$ and $\mathbf{C} = [C_0 \cdots C_{N-1}]^T$. With PAR defined as

$$\mathbf{PAPR}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{\max |x[n] + c[n]|^2}{\mathbb{E}[|x[n]|^2]}\tag{A.2}$$

For distortionless data transmission, the vectors \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{C} cannot both be nonzero on a given DMT tone, i.e.,

$$X_k + C_k = \begin{cases} X_k, & k \in \mathcal{U}^c \\ C_k, & k \in \mathcal{U} \end{cases}\tag{A.3}$$

where \mathcal{U}_c represents the set of data-bearing subchannels and \mathcal{U} represents the set of available subchannels for PAR reduction.

A minimax PAR problem can be formulated as

$$\mathbf{C}^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{C} \in \mathcal{C}} \|\mathbf{F}^H(\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{C})\|_\infty \quad (\text{A.4})$$

where \mathbf{F}^H is the IFFT operator and \mathcal{C} is the signal space of all possible peak-compensation signals generated from the set of tones \mathcal{U} .

