

FrFT based OFDM system for Wireless Communication

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Abstract

The demand for higher data rates over wireless channels is growing day by day. This had provided by 4G systems by using multicarrier communication systems like OFDM. The BER of 4G systems can further improve by doing time, frequency analysis of signal while propagating in the channel. In this paper, Fractional Fourier transformation (FrFT) based OFDM system had presented with 512-PSK modulation technique. The BER response of proposed system had analysed under various wireless fading channels like AWGN, Rayleigh, Rician and Nakagami channels. The proposed system achieved improvement of 1.5 dB BER at $10^{-2.9}$ SNR for $\alpha_{opt} = 0.9$ under the AWGN channel for 512-PSK modulation technique. For Rayleigh and Rician channel proposed system for 512-PSK modulation achieved 1.5 dB improvement in BER at $10^{-2.9}$ SNR under both channels for $\alpha_{opt} = 0.4$ and $\alpha_{opt} = 0.9$ respectively. Under Nakagami channel, said system achieved 1.0 dB improvement in BER at $10^{-2.8}$ SNR for $\alpha_{opt} = 0.4$ using the 512-PSK modulation technique.

Key Words: OFDM, FrFT, IFRFT, ICI, 512-PSK.

I. INTRODUCTION

In today's world, the demand for higher data rate under the wireless domain had increased many folds, due to use of multimedia applications. Currently the 4G systems had deployed for satisfying the need of higher data rates with limited bandwidth. This had possible because of the use of the multicarrier communication. However, as there is scarcity of available spectrum, there is always a starvation for increasing speed with limited bandwidth. OFDM is the best solution, which has fulfilled this requirement [1]. OFDM had made possible the flow of higher data rates on wireless channels at a low symbol rate by using multipath transmission techniques. However, OFDM system was suffering from inter symbol interference and inter carrier interference. The definition of fractional Fourier transforms states it as the chirp basis expansion, which is defining the rotation in time frequency plane i.e. unified time frequency transformation. By changing the value of fractional constant ' α ' from 0.0 to 1.0, the signal characteristics can be transformed from time to frequency domain. So FrFT can also be said as a generalized form of Fourier transform (FT) [3]. FRFT is defined as:

$$F_{\alpha} \{x(t)\}(u) = X_{\alpha}(u) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) K_{\alpha}(t, u) dt$$

where $K_{\alpha}(t, u) = A_{\alpha} e^{j\pi(t^2+u^2)\cot\alpha - j2\pi t u csc\alpha}$

and is called Transformation Kernel and α is the rotation angle of the transformed signal [4].

II. Proposed FrFT based OFDM system

In this new proposed OFDM model, FrFT and IFRFT had replaced with IFFT and FFT respectively at both transmitter and receiver and the improvement in performance of the receiver had achieved for modulation rate as high as up to 1024 in both M-PSK and M-QAM. Here by varying the fractional constant α the further improvement in BER could achieved for the given set of conditions [5-6]. The block diagram of the proposed OFDM system had shown in Fig. 1 below:

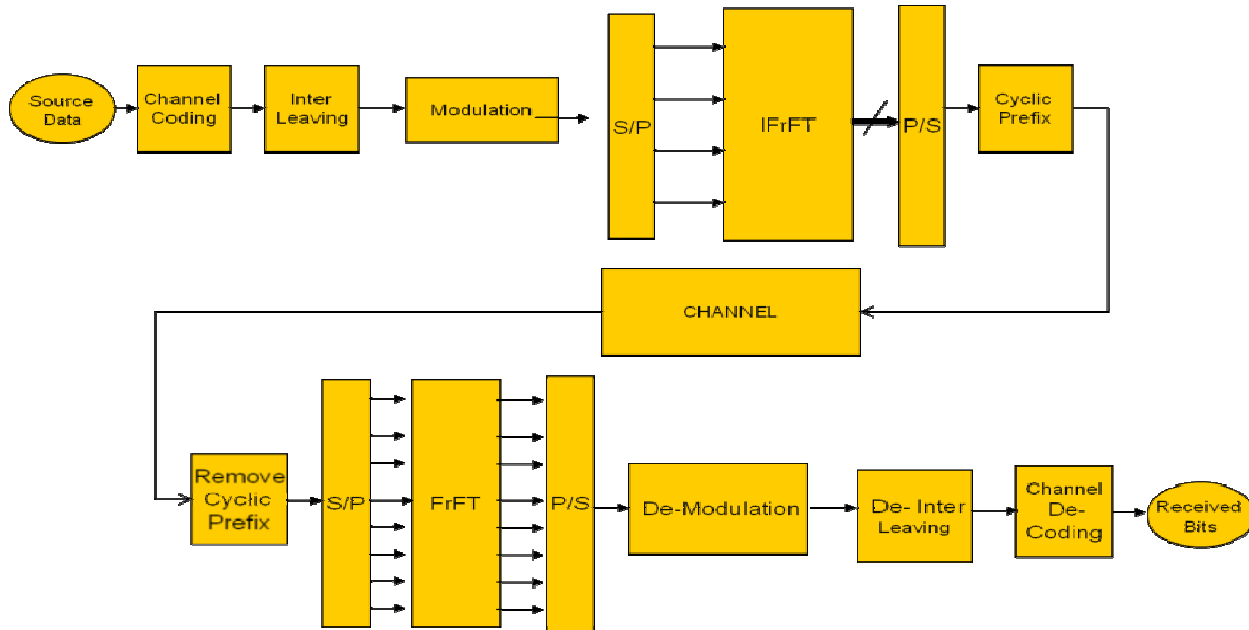


Fig.1: Proposed FrFT based OFDM system

III. Response of fading channels for Multipath and Coherence Bandwidth

In mobile communication, receiver catches the signals from various paths. Due to reflection and diffraction, the various paths interfere with each other. Henceforth the output signal gets distorted. Further, a narrow band statistical process can calculate the random nature of the channel and complex valued Gaussian random process based on the limit theory. In addition, the baseband signal could calculate from the narrow band process as follows [7].

Let the transmitted signal had represented as

$$X(t) = y(t)e^{-2\pi f ct} \quad (1)$$

If the multipath follows a Gaussian scattering, then the channel response had modeled as

$$R(\Gamma n, t) = \sum_N \epsilon_n(\Gamma m, t) e^{-j2\pi D_n \Gamma n(t)} \Delta[t - \Gamma n(t)] \quad (2)$$

where $R(\Gamma n, t)$ is the response of the channel at time t due to an impulse applied at the time $t - \epsilon_n(t)$

$\epsilon_n(t)$ = attenuation factor of the signal received on the n^{th} path

$\Gamma n(t)$ = propagation delay for the n^{th} path

D_n = Doppler shift for the signal received on the n^{th} path

The Doppler shift had introduced due to the relative motion between the transmitter and the receiver and could written as

$$D_n = \frac{v \cos \varphi}{\lambda}$$

Where v the relative velocity between transmitter and receiver, λ is the wavelength of the carrier, and φ is the phase angle between the transmitter and the receiver. The output of the transmit signal propagating through the channel can be written by multiplying eq. (1) and (2) given by

$$U(t) = x(t) * R(\Gamma_n, t) \quad (3)$$

$$U(t) = y(t)e^{-2\pi f ct} * \sum_N \epsilon_n(\Gamma_m, t) e^{-j2\pi D_n \Gamma_n(t)}$$

$$\Delta[t - \Gamma_n(t)]$$

$$U(t) = \sum_N [\epsilon_n(t)] e^{-j2\pi(f_c + D_n)\Gamma_n(t)} * y(t - \Gamma(t)) e^{-j2\pi f_c t} \quad (4)$$

where $\Delta(t - \Gamma_n(t)) * y(t) = y(t - \Gamma_n(t))$

$$\Delta(t - \Gamma_n(t)) * e^{-2\pi f_c t} = e^{-2\pi f_c (t - \Gamma_n(t))}$$

$$G_n = \epsilon_n[\Gamma_n(t)] e^{-j2\pi(f_c + D_n)\Gamma_n(t)}$$

$$U(t) = \sum_n G_n y(t - \Gamma_n(t)) e^{-2\pi f_c t} \quad (5)$$

where G_n is Gaussian random process. The density function of a Rayleigh faded channel is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{\Psi^2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{\Psi^2}} \quad (6)$$

Channels without a direct line-of-sight (LOS) path had known as Rayleigh fading channel. Whereas the channel with a direct LOS path to the receiver was characterized by Rician density function called as Rician fading channel and written as [8]

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{\Psi^2} B_s\left(\frac{x\tau}{\Psi^2}\right) e^{-\frac{x^2 + \tau^2}{2\Psi^2}} \quad (7)$$

where B_s was the modified Bessel function of the 0^{th} order and τ is mean and Ψ is variance of the direct LOS path [6] Autocorrelation function of $R(\Gamma n, t)$ is given as

$$\Psi c(\Gamma, \nabla t) = H [c(\Gamma, t) c^*(\Gamma, t + \nabla t)] \quad (8)$$

It had measured by transmitting very narrow pulses and cross correlating the received signal with a conjugate delayed version of itself. The average power of the channel found by setting the $\nabla_t = 0$; that is, $\Psi c(\Gamma, 0) = \Psi c(\Gamma)$. The quantity had known as the power delay profile. The range of values of Γ over which the $\Psi c(\Gamma)$ is essentially non-zero is called the multipath delay spread of the channel, denoted by Γ_m . The reciprocal of the multipath delay spread will measure the coherence bandwidth of the channel and is given by [6- 8]

$$BW = \frac{1}{\Gamma_m} \quad (9)$$

The variation in channel bandwidth and Doppler shift could easily be equalized with the help of FrFT. Hence, the proposed model had been able to respond more efficiently for the OFDM as compared to traditional OFDM.

IV. Performance analysis of Wireless Channels:

In this paper performance analysis of four different wireless fading channels, namely AWGN, Rayleigh, Rician and Nakagami for the proposed OFDM system had presented. Further the model had been made to give the BER for different modulation techniques, namely 512-PSK [10-11], the various plots for different values of fractional constant α in the range of 0.0 to 1.0 can be plotted and further analysis on the performance of the system based on these values of BER Vs SNR can be compared [12].

4.1 Analysis for 512-PSK modulation technique for various wireless fading channels

Here the analysis of BER vs. SNR of the different wireless fading channel on the proposed model for 512 PSK modulations for different values of α in the range of 0.0 to 1.0 has done. Fig. 2 (a) to (f) shows the plots produced from the proposed model for BER vs. SNR for various channels.

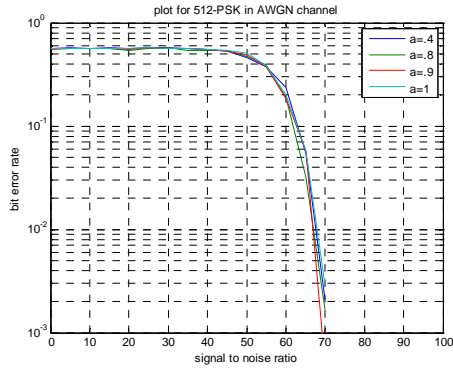


Fig.2 (a) Plot for 512-PSK in AWGN

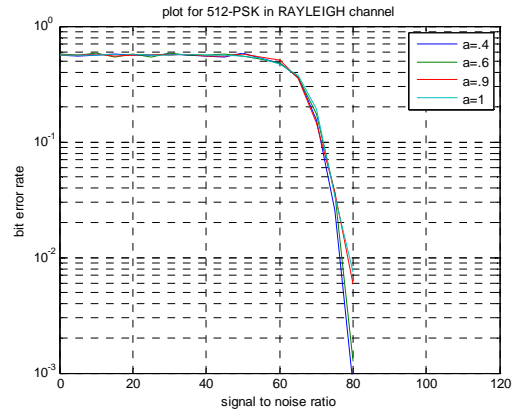


Fig. 2(b) Plot for 512-PSK in Rayleigh

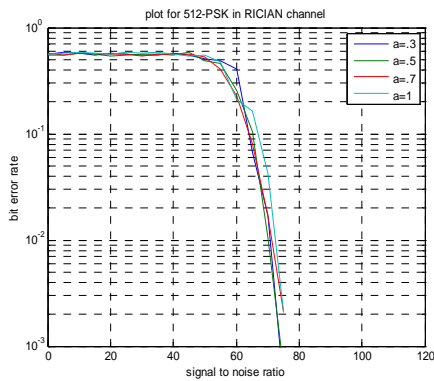


Fig. 2 (c) Plot for 512-PSK in Rician

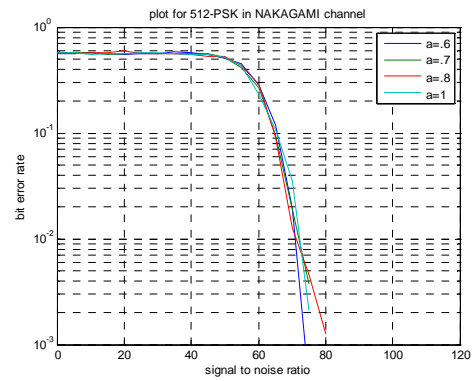


Fig. 2 (d) Plot for 512-PSK in Nakagami

Table 1 shows the improvement in BER achieved for the best value of α_{opt} for various wireless fading channels for 512-PSK calculated from the above shown plots. Further the improvement here has calculated by comparing the results of output with respect to the results of $\alpha = 1$ which is the case for FFT i.e. the traditional FFT based OFDM system.

Table 1: Improvement in SNR at α_{opt} w.r.t. $\alpha = 1$ for wireless fading channels for 512-PSK

FOR M-PSK			
S. No.	Rate of Modulation	α_{opt}	Improvement in SNR (dB)
1	AWGN	0.9	1.5
2	Rayleigh	0.4	1.5
3	Rician	0.9	1.5
4	Nakagami	0.6	1.0

The best improvement in SNR comes out to be 1.5 dB for different wireless fading channels.

V. CONCLUSION

The results presented in this paper have shown that the proposed system achieved improvement of 1.5 dB BER at $10^{-2.9}$ SNR for $\alpha_{opt} = 0.9$ under the AWGN channel for 512-PSK modulation technique. For Rayleigh and Rician channel proposed system for 512-PSK modulation achieved 1.5 dB improvement in BER at $10^{-2.9}$ SNR under both channels for $\alpha_{opt} = 0.4$ and $\alpha_{opt} = 0.9$ respectively. Under Nakagami channel, said system achieved 1.0 dB improvement in BER at $10^{-2.8}$ SNR for $\alpha_{opt} = 0.4$ using the 512-PSK modulation technique.

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