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# PAPR Reduction of OFDM signals using PTS and Firefly algorithm

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**Abstract:** Orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) has the following benefits: excessive records fees and dependable transmission over fading channels. A significant disadvantage is the fact that it has an excessive peak-to-average strength ratio (PAPR). Numerous algorithms had been created to minimise the PAPR, every with its very own blessings and drawbacks. The Gaussian Firefly technique and the partial transmit sequence (PTS) are of the best algorithms.

The Gaussian Firefly method can be used on this task to reduce PAPR. This approach makes use of swarm intelligence to tune the segment vectors so that you can decorate PAPR performance. As compared to current approaches, the suggested Firefly algorithm-based total PTS (FF-PTS) is a good way to obtain enhanced PAPR characteristics for OFDM signals.

**Keywords:** OFDM, PAPR, PTS, Gaussian Firefly, Firefly algorithm, FF-PTS

## I. INTRODUCTION

Due to its high data throughput, bandwidth efficiency, and fading resilience, OFDM is a popular multicarrier communication method.[6] It is frequently employed in contemporary communication systems like Long Term Evolution The PTS technique reduces PAPR in the most effective and distortion-free manner.

## II. METHODOLOGY

### A. Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing(OFDM)

Multicarrier modulation era referred to as OFDM separates the transmission frequency variety into numerous sub-carriers, every of which contains a low-price information stream. Because the subcarriers are orthogonal to one another, they do now no longer intrude with one another [14][15]. OFDM is a well-favored modulation method in present day wi-fi communicate structures including Wi-Fi, 4G, and 5G because of its great spectral efficiency.[12]

The excessive PAPR, or the ratio of the OFDM signal's height electricity to its common electricity, is one of the era's essential drawbacks[16]. Due to the excessive PAPR of OFDM signals, inter-provider interference (ICI) and out-of-band radiation can also additionally end result from nonlinear distortion withinside the transmitter and receiver. The wi-fi communication system's performance can also additionally go through as a result.[13]

### B. Peak to Average Power Ratio

A signal's peak power level compared to its average power level is measured by the PAPR. PAPR is calculated using an OFDM signal's envelope variations.[4][25] The transmitted OFDM symbol's peak instantaneous power to average power ratio, or PAPR, can be mathematically written as

$$\text{PAPR} = \frac{\max_{0 \leq t < NT} |x(t)|^2}{E[|x(t)|^2]}$$

(LTE), Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN), Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB), and Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB). [1] However, OFDM has problems with peak-to-average power ratio (PAPR), channel estimate, temporal offset, and precise frequency synchronization.[5] Independent phases of subcarriers in a multicarrier system like OFDM can have positive or negative consequences. The peak amplitude and PAPR are both high when all the subcarriers have the same phase.[7]

Where,

$$E[|x(t)|^2] = \frac{1}{NT} \int_0^{NT} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

### C. PTS Technique

As a result of the excessive PAPR, energy amplifiers function in a non-linear zone, main to intermodulation distortions and out-of-band radiations [23]. For this reason, decreasing PAPR is crucial. Tone reservation (TR), tone injection (TI), selective mapping (SLM), coding, amplitude clipping and filtering, active constellation extension (ACE), partial transmit sequence (PTS), and others have all been utilised to reduce PAPR.[2]

A successful and distortion-free method for PAPR reduction that well integrates signal sub-blocks is the conventional PTS approach. The PTS approach's aim is to create an excellent phase vector for the sub-block that lowers the PAPR [18]. It is hard to design the appropriate phase issue from a collection of recognized answers because the optimization trouble is complicated and nonlinear.[8]

### D. PAPR Reduction using PTS

The PTS approach divides the enter symbol series into some of discontinuous symbol subsequences [3]. After every symbol subsequence has gone through IDFT, the resulting sign subsequences are elevated with the aid of using diverse rotation vectors and then added. The signal sequence with the lowest PAPR is finally transmitted after calculating the PAPR of each succeeding sequence.[19]

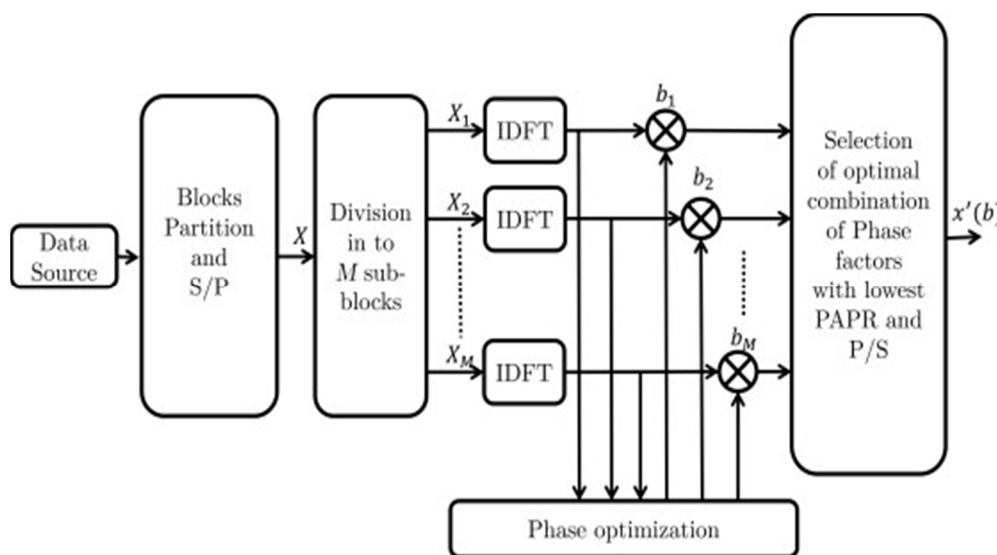


Fig 2.1: Block diagram of PTS for PAPR Reduction

### E. Firefly Algorithm

During the night, wingless beetles or bugs called fireflies produce light and blink. Bioluminescence is the term for a chemically produced light that comes from the lower abdomen and has neither an infrared nor an ultraviolet frequency [21]. They specifically employ the flash light to attract potential companions or prey. The flash light also serves as a warning system to alert the firefly to potential predators.[11]

The Firefly Algorithm is developed under the following assumptions:

- 1) Since the fireflies are unisexual, they may be attracted to each other no matter their sexual orientation.
- 2) Since attractiveness and brightness are inversely associated, the more attractive firefly will attract the much less attractive one. The fireflies' allure, however, faded as their separation increased.
- 3) The firefly may move quite randomly if their brightness is the same in all of them.[9]

The Firefly algorithm was inspired by the flashing behavior of fireflies and the phenomenon of bioluminescent communication. New solutions are generated via random walks and firefly attraction. The fireflies' brightness must be related to how effectively the issue relates to the objective function [22]. Depending on how attractive they are, they could break up themselves up into smaller groups, and every one converges at the local models. FA is accordingly appropriate for troubles related to optimization.[10]

F. Firefly and PTS(FF-PTS)

PTS and firefly algorithms when combined will reduce PAPR with greater efficiency [24].

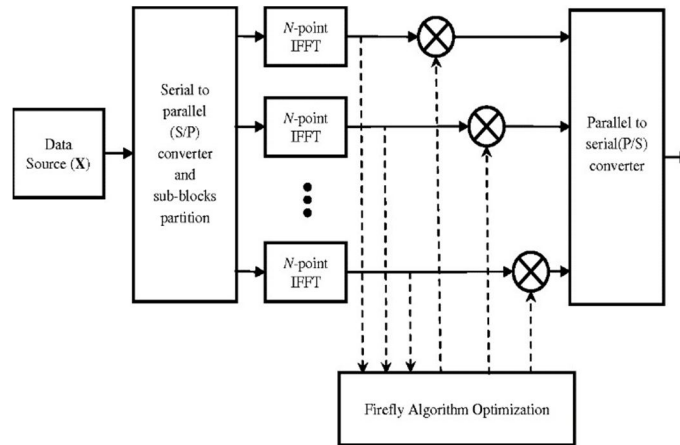


Fig 2.2 Firefly and PTS(FF-PTS)

The method uses the Firefly-based PTS (FF-PTS) technique, which can significantly reduce the PAPR. The advised approach plays tremendously properly in phrases of PAPR discount and seeks the best association of segment vectors [17]. According to simulation results, the advised FF-PTS segment optimization approach can reduce PAPR more correctly than trendy PTS schemes even as want much less computational complexity for an extra variety of subblocks [20].

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

A. PAPR vs CCDF

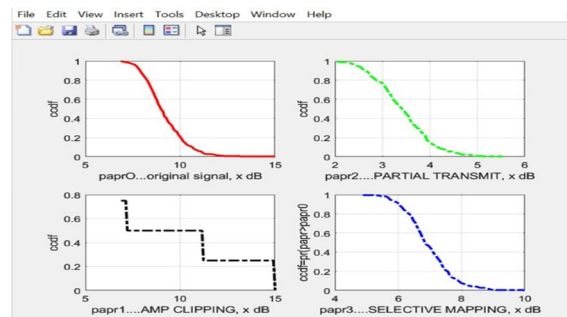


Fig 3.1 PAPR vs CCDF

The above graph suggests many OFDM strategies to lower a high PAPR. The graph's various approaches include SLM, PTS, and clipping. PTS is the most effective strategy out of all of these because PAPR has a lower value.

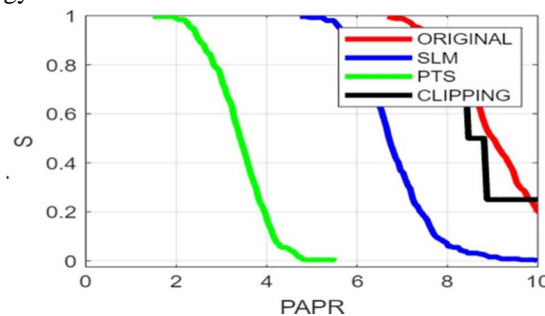


Fig 3.2 Comparison of all the methods for PAPR reduction

A comparison of OFDM methods to lower PAPR can be found in the above graph. All of the technique graphs are combined into one graphic for easier comparison.

So, the above two graphs infer that PAPR is less for PTS. So PTS is a better method to reduce PAPR.

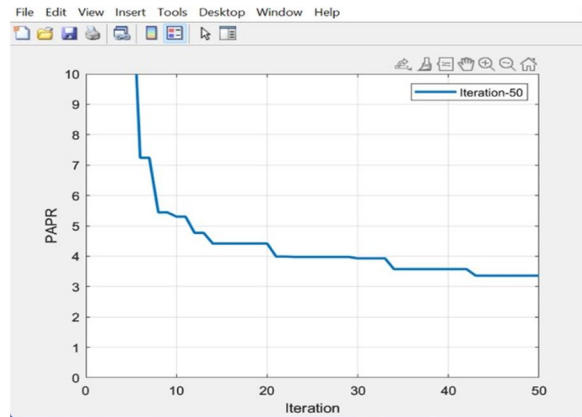


Fig 3.3 Firefly algorithm for Iteration-50

The evolution curve of the FF-PTS approach, that is a graph among the implied values of the first-rate fee function, or PAPR, and the range of iterations, is proven in the graph above. It is widely known that the complexity of the section component seek will increase with the range of iterations. The findings imply that the FF-PTS is a beneficial approach for lowering PAPR and reveals little or no advantage while improving from 10 to a hundred repeats. As a result, K = 50 was retained in the FF-PTS scheme since it offers a suitable trade-off between PAPR efficiency and computing complexity. Hence, the above graph infer that Firefly Algorithm is the best to reduce the PAPR using PTS.

**B. PTS VS CCDF**

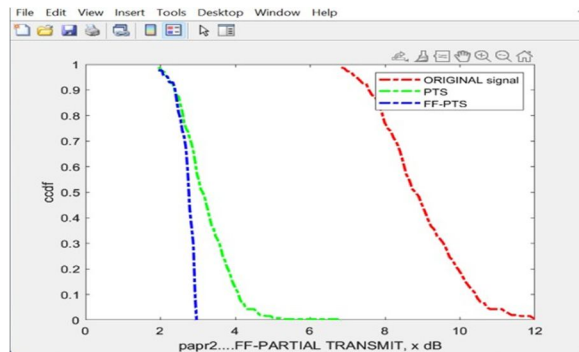


Fig 3.4 Comparing Original signal, PTS and PTS with Firefly

The original signal, PTS, and FF-PTS are contrasted on the above graph. In assessment of all of these, the FF-Partial Transmit Sequence has a decrease PAPR. The Firefly method can be used to reduce PTS's high peak-to-average power ratio.

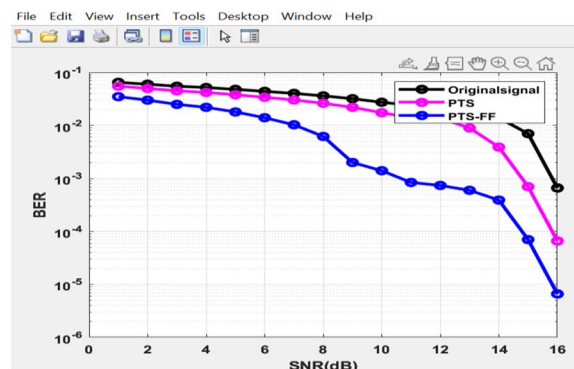


Fig 3.5 SNR VS BER

SNR as opposed to BER graph is plotted above. SNR, or signal-to-noise ratio, is a measure of how strong the signal is in comparison to noise. This is gift inside the communicate channel. A higher SNR in an OFDM system can be attained by amplifying the transmitted signal, employing error- correcting codes, or minimizing channel interference from other signals.

The amount of bit error between sent and received signals is measured by the BER metric. A declining BER leads to an improvement in signal quality. By utilizing error- correcting codes or eliminating channel interference from other signals, an OFDM system can obtain a reduced BER. SNR and BER are improved.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

While maintaining a minimal computing load, the suggested FF-PTS system's performance offered nearly identical PAPR statistics to the optimal exhaustive PTS.

Results demonstrate that the suggested strategy is effective in lowering the PTS algorithm's computational complexity.

The proposed FF-PTS era gives a sensible and cost-powerful solution to the hassle of excessive PAPR in OFDM systems.

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