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Study paper on OFDM- A Review on PAPR Reduction Technique

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Abstract: Multiplexing of the Orthogonal Frequency Division (OFDM) is now the preferred wireless contact modulation technique. OFDM is able to have ample robustness to radio channel impairments with high data levels. Several testing facilities across the globe have expert teams employed to refine OFDM for numerous uses. Throughout the time domain, the transmit signals in an OFDM network may have large peak values because several subcarrier components are inserted in an IFFT process. OFDM systems, therefore, are considered to have a strong PAPR (Peak-to-Average Capacity Ratio) relative to single-carrier systems. In reality, the high PAPR is one of the most negative aspects of the OFDM system as it increases the Analog-to-Digital Converter and Digital-to-Analog Converter Signal-to-Quantization Noise Ratio while deteriorating the transmitter's power amplifier performance. The PAPR issue becomes more relevant in uplink as power amplifier output becomes crucial because of the small battery capacity in a mobile terminal. This research paper explores many methods used in an OFDM method to reduce PAPR. Multiplexing is a specific type of multi-carrier modulation that is especially suited for transmission over a dispersive wave.

Keywords: OFDM, PAPR, SQNR, clipping, PTS, DFT, ISI.

I. INTRODUCTION

The OFDM suffers from the problem of high PAPR where PAPR is the ration of maximum power in a signal to the average power of any signal. Such kind of problem is more significant as the efficiency of such systems is limited by the power source. With a number of advantages of OFDM, it suffers from a few of the disadvantage also namely [1], [2]. High peak to average power ratios (PAPR) of the signal being transmitted. A lot of new approaches have been developed in the last few years. Several reducing techniques for PAPR have been proposed in the literature. Most appropriate methods such as Amplitude Clipping and Filtering (ACF), Partial Transmission Series (PTS), and Choose Mapping (SLM) are widely used to reduce the PAPR of the OFDM network in these days. Any other methods, such as Block coding, Interleaving, Tone Reservation (TR), Tone Injection (TI), Successful Constellation Extension (ACE), Peak Windowing, Peak Cancellation, Peak Power Suppression, Weighted Multicarrier Transmission

A. The Peak to Average Power Ratio (PAPR)

The peak to mean power ratio of the waveform to peak power amplitude by taking the RMS value is calculated by the overall average power ratio (PAPR) which is a dimensionless quantity that is denoted in decibels (dB). The PAPR is defined in digital transmission, where the waveform is interpreted as signal samples [2].

$$PAPR = \frac{\max(|X[n]|^2)}{E\{|X[n]|^2\}}, 0 \leq n \leq N - 1 \quad (1.11)$$

Where:

- $X[n]$ = signal samples,
- $\max(|X[n]|^2)$ = maximum instantaneous power
- $E\{|X[n]|^2\}$ = the average power of the signal
- $E\{.\}$ = expected value operation.

B. The Multi-Carrier Signal of PAPR

The total of several imparial warnings modulated to sub-channels of the same wavelength is a multi-carrier signal. OFDM is a special case of multi-provider transmission, where a single stream of statistics is transmitted across some of the lower-price subcarrier companies. The frequencies of the subcarrier are selected for being orthogonal to one another. OFDM's key advantages are its rapid robustness toward limited frequency channels and even its efficient usage of usable bandwidth. Therefore, orthogonally enables the usage of the FFT (Fast Fourier Transform) series of rules on the receiver side and reverse FFT on the sender side for effective modulator and demodulator application [2].

To start with, the binary input information is mapped into QAM (Quadrature Amplitude Modulation) symbols in the transmitter, and then the IFFT block is used to modulate the symbol sequence, the IFFT output is given by N-factor:

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X_n \cdot e^{j2\pi n \Delta f t}, 0 \leq t < NT \quad (1.12)$$

where: X_n = the data symbols;

according to (1.11) and (1.12), the PAPR for OFDM signal $x(t)$ is [2]

$$\text{PAPR} = \frac{\max_{0 \leq t < NT} |x(t)|^2}{\frac{1}{NT} \int_0^{NT} |x(t)|^2 dt} \quad (1.13)$$

Because the OFDM symbol is the summation of N numerous QAM symbols, as phases in (1.12) are constructively accumulated it may have large peaks.

C. The Essential to Reduce the PAPR?

In almost all communication links and demand for long-range data transmission, non-linear devices such as high-power amplifiers and digital to analog converters (DACs) are present. At around the same time, higher power consumption from the amplifier enables the amplifier to operate in a more non-linear environment. In addition, the linearity and the output are shared [5].

In single-carrier modulation, the signal amplitude is somehow deterministic, except for the pulse-shaping filter effect, so that the operating point in the amplifier can be accurately determined without destructive nonlinear impairments. But in multi-carrier networks like OFDM the time domain signal envelope can shift with different device symbols.

To estimate the distortion caused by nonlinearity a signal measure is desired to demonstrate its sensitivity to nonlinearity. The peak to average power ratio (PAPR) is a well-known multi-carrier signaling measure. The higher the PAPR, the greater the fluctuation in the intensity of the signal, such that the operating point of the amplifier must be placed far enough from the saturation point and the output decreases with this input backoff [2].

D. Overview of PAPR Reduction Techniques

- 1) *Clipping*: One of the simplest techniques used for PAPR reduction in OFDM is clipping. As the amplitude of any signal is most affected by the effect of noise it reduces the amplitude by clipping the peak of the signal. Due to which distortion in the form of in-band distortion and out-of-band radiation is introduced in the signal [8].
- 2) *Companding*: Companding is another common distortion dependent scheme in the OFDM framework for reducing PAPR. To that the OFDM signal PAPR, based on μ -law companding. Throughout the μ -law companding method, the OFDM signal's peak intensity before and after companding stays the same, which leaves the OFDM signal's peak strength constant but raises the OFDM signal's average power after companding and therefore the OFDM signal's PAPR decreases. Yet the error efficiency of the μ -law companding scheme degrades due to the enhanced average strength of the OFDM signal [8].

E. Filtering Method and Amplitude Clipping

Clipping is one of the simple and effective PAPR reduction techniques, which cancels the signal components that exceed certain fixed amplitude, called the clip level. Clipping, however, yields distortion power, which is called a clipping noise, expanding the transmitted signal spectrum, causing interference [6]. Clipping is a nonlinear mechanism that induces in-band noise distortion, resulting in deterioration of the bit error rate (BER) output and out-of-band noise, which reduces the spectral efficiency [7].

An important method to eliminate the extended-spectrum components after clipping filtering is. Although filtering may decrease the spectrum expansion, post-clipping filtering may decrease out-of-band radiation but may also trigger some peak production. Thanks to the peak re-growth a certain signal exceeds the clipping degree [7]. The iterative procedure of clipping and filtering lower the PAPR without the range expanding. However, the iterative signal takes a long time and it would raise the computing complexity of an OFDM transmitter.

The out-of-band signal should be trimmed to stop degradation after interpolation. That does, therefore, trigger considerable peak re-growth. So it can use iterative clipping and the frequency domain filter to avoid peak re-growth. Serial to parallel converter transforms serial input data with different frequency components that are modulated baseband symbols in the device used and applies interpolation through zero paddings in the input data center to these symbols. The cutting procedure is then performed to cut

high peak amplitudes, and the filtering of the frequency domain is used to minimize the out-of-band signal that has induced peak re-growth [3]. That consists of two FFT operations. Forward FFT converts the return-clipped signal into a distinct frequency domain. The discrete in-band components are passed into second IFFT inputs unchanged while null components are out of the band. The cutting and filtering method is carried out iteratively before the amplitude is set to the maximum value point to stop the band peak and re-growth phase [5].

1) *Inter-Carrier Interference (ICI)*: Inter-Carrier Interference Cancellation OFDM device is extremely susceptible to low carrier frequency offset; a slight carrier frequency offset between transmitter and receiver carrier frequencies will interrupt the subcarrier's orthogonality and trigger ICI. The ICI intervention degrades overall OFDM device efficiency. The carrier to interruption ratio (CIR) is usually defined by this. Specific ICI cancellation methods have been suggested in the literature to reduce the influence of ICI, including ICI self-cancellation [9], New ICI self-cancellation [10], General ICI self-cancellation scheme [11], ICI conjugate cancellation scheme [12], General step rotating ICI cancellation scheme [13], etc.

II. CONCLUSION

OFDM's existing implementations will not completely exploit OFDM's capabilities. There are also many paths that can be investigated for the OFDM signal's peak-to-average power ratio (PAPR). Present ICI cancellation schemes PAPR output is either the same or worse than the standard OFDM signal. Therefore, a prime driving force for this paper was the need to reduce the PAPR of the standard OFDM signal and OFDM signal derived from ICI cancellation schemes. The paper intends to investigate and arrive at technically feasible PAPR reduction strategies in OFDM related programs (with and without ICI cancellation scheme)

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