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Chapter 5: Mobile Radio Propagation: Small-Scale Fading and Multipath as it applies to Modulation Techniques

# **Doppler Shift Geomerty**



Figure 5.1 Illustration of Doppler effect.

## **Channel** issues



Figure 5.2 The mobile radio channel as a function of time and space.

# Complex Baseband model for RF systems



Figure 5.3 (a) Bandpass channel impulse response model; (b) baseband equivalent channel impulse response model.

# Time-varying impulse response



**Figure 5.4** An example of the time varying discrete-time impulse response model for a multipath radio channel. Discrete models are useful in simulation where modulation data must be convolved with the channel impulse response [Tra02].

## Measured impulse responses



**Figure 5.5** Measured wideband and narrowband received signals over a  $5\lambda$  (0.375 m) measurement track inside a building. Carrier frequency is 4 GHz. Wideband power is computed using Equation (5.19), which can be thought of as the area under the power delay profile. The axis into the page is distance (wavelengths) instead of time.

# Channel Sounder: Pulse type



Figure 5.6 Direct RF channel impulse response measurement system.

# Channel Sounder: PN Type



Figure 5.7 Spread spectrum channel impulse response measurement system.

## Channel Sounder: Swept Freq. type



**Figure 5.8** Frequency domain channel impulse response measurement system.

## Measured power delay profiles





Figure 5.9 Measured multipath power delay profiles: a) From a 900 MHz cellular system in San Francisco [from [Rap90] © IEEE]; b) inside a grocery store at 4 GHz [from [Haw91] © IEEE].

# Indoor Power Delay Profile



**Figure 5.10** Example of an indoor power delay profile; rms delay spread, mean excess delay, maximum excess delay (10 dB), and threshold level are shown.

# Typical RMS delay spreads

### Table 5.1 Typical Measured Values of RMS Delay Spread

Environment	Frequency (MHz)	RMS Delay Spread ( $\sigma_{\tau}$ )	Notes	Reference
Urban	910	1300 ns avg. 600 ns st. dev. 3500 ns max.	New York City	[Cox75]
Urban	892	10–25 µs	Worst case San Francisco	[Rap90]
Suburban	910	200–310 ns	Averaged typical case	[Cox72]
Suburban	910	1960–2110 ns	Averaged extreme case	[Cox72]
Indoor	1500	10–50 ns 25 ns median	Office building	[Sal87]
Indoor	850	270 ns max.	Office building	[Dev90a]
Indoor	1900	70–94 ns avg. 1470 ns max.	Three San Francisco buildings	[Sei92a]

### GSM - TDMA/FDMA



- GSM is designed to support mobile users with a maximum speed of 250 Km/Hour.
- Channel impulse responses are expected to have a max. length of 15 usec (including about 4 bits).





# Two independent fading issues

#### **Small-Scale Fading**

(Based on multipath time delay spread)

#### Flat Fading

- 1. BW of signal < BW of channel
- 2. Delay spread < Symbol period

#### **Frequency Selective Fading**

- 1. BW of signal > BW of channel
- 2. Delay spread > Symbol period

#### Small-Scale Fading

(Based on Doppler spread)

#### **Fast Fading**

- 1. High Doppler spread
- 2. Coherence time < Symbol period
- 3. Channel variations faster than baseband signal variations

Figure 5.11 Types of small-scale fading.

#### **Slow Fading**

- 1. Low Doppler spread
- 2. Coherence time > Symbol period
- 3. Channel variations slower than baseband signal variations



# Flat-fading (non-freq. Selective)



Figure 5.12 Flat fading channel characteristics.

# Frequency selective fading



Figure 5.13 Frequency selective fading channel characteristics.

## Two independent fading issues



Transmitted Baseband Signal Bandwidth

**Figure 5.14** Matrix illustrating type of fading experienced by a signal as a function of: (a) symbol period; and (b) baseband signal bandwidth.

# Rayleigh fading



Figure 5.15 A typical Rayleigh fading envelope at 900 MHz [from [Fun93] © IEEE].

### Small-scale envelope distributions



Signal Level (dB about median)

**Figure 5.17** Cumulative distribution for three small-scale fading measurements and their fit to Rayleigh, Ricean, and log-normal distributions [from [Rap89] © IEEE].

### Ricean and Rayleigh fading distributions



Received signal envelope voltage r (volts)

**Figure 5.18** Probability density function of Ricean distributions:  $K = -\infty dB$  (Rayleigh) and K = 6 dB. For K >> 1, the Ricean pdf is approximately Gaussian about the mean.

## Small-scale fading mechanism



Figure 5.19 Illustrating plane waves arriving at random angles.



Figure 5.20 Doppler power spectrum for an unmodulated CW carrier [from [Gan72] © IEEE].

# Spectrum of Envelope of doppler faded signal



Figure 5.21 Baseband power spectral density of a CW Doppler signal after envelope detection.

### Simulating Doppler/Small-scale fading



**Figure 5.22** Simulator using quadrature amplitude modulation with (a) RF Doppler filter and (b) baseband Doppler filter.

# Simulating Doppler fading



**Figure 5.23** Simulator using quadrature amplitude modulation with (a) RF Doppler filter and (b) baseband Doppler filter.

# Simulating Doppler fading



Figure 5.24 Frequency domain implementation of a Rayleigh fading simulator at baseband

# Simulating multipath with Dopplerinduced Rayleigh fading



**Figure 5.25** A signal may be applied to a Rayleigh fading simulator to determine performance in a wide range of channel conditions. Both flat and frequency selective fading conditions may be simulated, depending on gain and time delay settings.

# Simulating 2-ray multipath



Figure 5.26 Two-ray Rayleigh fading model.

# SIRCIM – Simulation of all indoor propagation Characteristics



**Figure 5.27** Indoor wideband impulse responses simulated by SIRCIM at 1.3 GHz. Also shown are the distributions of the rms delay spread and the narrowband signal power distribution. The channel is simulated as being obstructed in an open-plan building, T–R separation is 25 m. The rms delay spread is 137.7 ns. All multipath components and parameters are stored on disk [from [Rap93a] © IEEE].

# SMRCIM – Simulation of all outdoor propagation Characteristics



**Figure 5.28** Urban wideband impulse responses simulated by SMRCIM at 1.3 GHz. Also shown are the distributions of the rms delay spread and the narrowband fading. T–R separation is 2.68 km. The rms delay spread is 3.8  $\mu$ s. All multipath components and parameters are saved on disk. [from [Rap93a] © IEEE].

# SIRCIM and SMRCIM

- Available from Wireless Valley
   Communications, Inc.
- Source code in C is available
- www. Wirelessvalley.com

# Angular Spread model



Angle-of-Arrival Parameters for Two-Wave Propagation



Figure 5.29 Fading properties of two multipath components of equal power [from [Dur00] ©IEEE].

# Spatial distribution of Multipath



**Figure 5.30** Fading properties of a continuous sector of multipath components [from [Dur00] ©IEEE].

# Angular Spread key to fading



Angle-of-Arrival Parameters for Double-Sector Propagation



Figure 5.31 Fading properties of double-sectored multipath components [from [Dur00] ©IEEE].

# Spatial orientation of multipath impacts the depths of fading



Angle-of-Arrival Parameters for Ricean Propagation



Figure 5.32 Fading properties of Ricean-model multipath components [from [Dur00] ©IEEE].

# Angular Distribution of power

### Three Angular Distributions of Power



Figure 5.33 Three different multipath-induced mobile-fading scenarios [from [Dur00] ©IEEE].

# Angular Spread predicts correlation distances



**Figure 5.34** Comparison between Clarke theoretical and the shape theory approximation for envelope autocovariance functions for  $E_z$ -case [from [Dur00] ©IEEE].

# Angular Spread predicts correlation distances



**Figure 5.35** Comparison between Clarke theoretical and the shape theory approximation for envelope autocovariance functions for  $H_x$ -case [from [Dur00] ©IEEE].