

Performance Evaluation of Convolutional coded WiMAX System for BPSK & QAM Modulation Techniques

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Abstract

The telecommunication industries insisted on new technology with high transmission abilities standardized by IEEE 802.16 also referred as WiMAX. It has two patterns fixed(802.16d-2004) and mobile(802.16d-2005) which are based on OFDM. This paper is about study and implementation of Convolutional coded WiMAX system comparing different modulation schemes such as BPSK and QAM. The performance has been concluded based on BER and SNR through MATLAB Simulation.

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1. INTRODUCTION

- WiMAX is introduced by the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers(IEEE) which is designated by 802.16 to provide world wide interoperability for microwave access. There are fixed(802.16d) and mobile(802.16e) WiMAX. This technology offers a high speed, secure, sophisticated, last mile broadband service, ensuring a flexible and cheap solution to certain rural access zones. In a fixed wireless communication, WiMAX can replace the telephone company's copper wire networks, the cable TV's coaxial cable infrastructure. In its mobile variant it can replace cellular networks. In comparison with Wi-Fi and Cellular technology, Wi-Fi provides a high data rate, but only on a short range of distances and with a slow movement of the user. And Cellular offers larger ranges and vehicular mobility, but it provides lower data rates, and requires high investments for its deployment. WiMAX tries to balance this situation. WiMAX fills the gap between Wi-Fi and Cellular, thus providing vehicular mobility, and high service areas and data rates. WiMAX is a standards based technology for wireless MANs conforming to parameters which enable interoperability. WiMAX developments have been rapidly moving forward.

- since the initial standardization efforts in IEEE 802.16. Standards for Fixed WiMAX (IEEE 802.16d-2004) were announced as final in 2004, followed by Mobile WiMAX (IEEE 802.16e) in 2005, which are based on orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) technology. OFDM is a transmission technique built for high speed bi-directional wired or wireless data communication[1,2]. OFDM has high PAPR.
- Advantages of OFDM :
 1. Channel bandwidth is divided into multiple subchannels, i.e multicarrier transmission which is a method for the efficient utilization of the band width.
 2. Subcarriers are orthogonal to each other in frequency domain which reduces ISI and frequency-selective fading. The technique is based upon the idea of multi-carrier modulation (MCM) where transmitted data is modulated on several orthogonal carrier frequencies. The subcarriers are closely spaced together but still orthogonal, which means that they are perpendicular in a mathematical sense, and do not interfere with each other

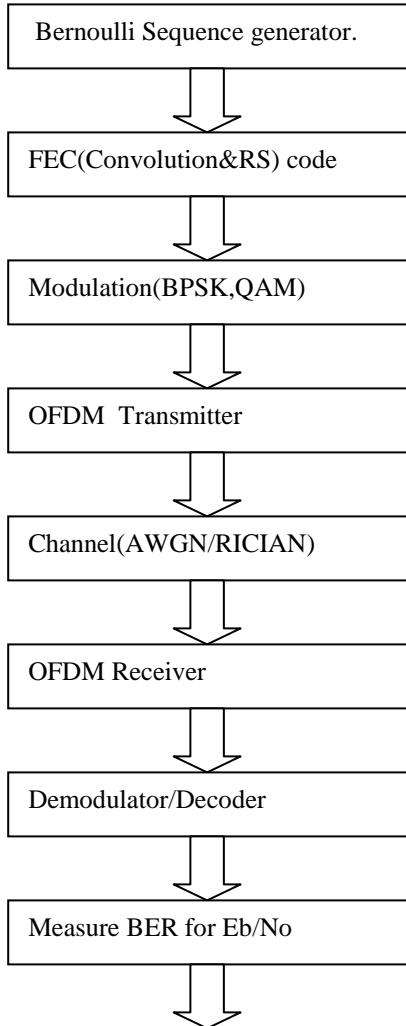
The implementations of OFDM in WiMAX technology today have been done by using FFT and its inverse operation IFFT, uses the formula given below.[1]

$$x_n = \left(\frac{1}{N} \right) \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} X_k e^{2\pi \cdot jnk/N}; \text{ Where } N=0,1,2,\dots,N-1.$$

II. SYSTEM INTEGRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF WORK FLOW

In the development and testing of IEEE 802.16d Wireless MAN-OFDM PHY, the specifications of communication transfer have varying systems, which are based on our needs. For our study, we used the standard communication system box with a map provided by Matlab, which contains the following: Internal Communications Block

set, Signal processing Block set, and Simulink Blockset. These correspond to our use of the hardware development platform. The overall WIMAX PHY system construction is opened in the Simulink interface and Matlab is used to communicate the internal functions. We intend to build a finished system into a module, in accordance with the code of each block. Through this, we can perform the compilation and completion that will be automatically compiled in Matlab. The overall system workflow is given below.



The basic block of wireless communication is given below fig.1

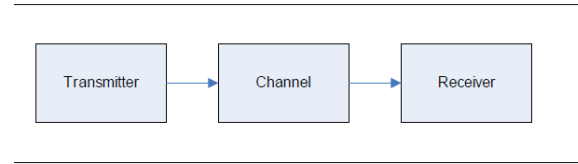


Fig.1

Where

Transmitter block consists of:

- 1.Input is Bernoulli Binary
- 2.FEC(Convoluntion Code,RS Code)
- 3.Modulation(BPSK and QAM)
- 4.OFDM Transmitter(IFFT)

Channel can be AWGN,RICIAN and Both.

And Receiver block consists of:

- 1.OFDM Receiver(FFT)
- 2.Demodulator
- 3.Decoder.(Viterbi decoder,RS Decoder)

Parameters for Simulation:

- Channel Bandwidth is 3.5MHz
- Cyclic Prefix-1/8
- Output Datatype-Boolean
- Samples per frame-864

The model for convoluntional coded WiMAX system using BPSK modulation and QAM modulation is shown. The detailed diagram is given below:

1.without channel(BPSK) in fig.2

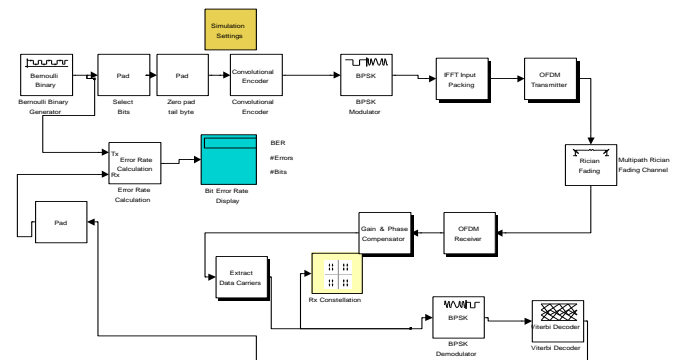


Fig.2

2.with AWGN Channel(BPSK) in fig.3

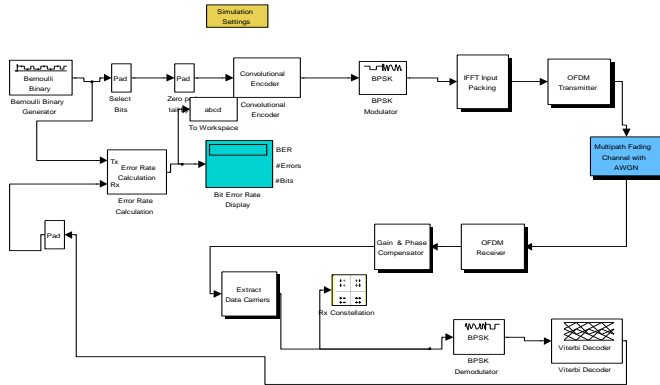


Fig.3

The above models are simulated in matlab the simulation rate is .025 and the results are recorded.

After running the model the transmitter constellation is observed as below fig.6

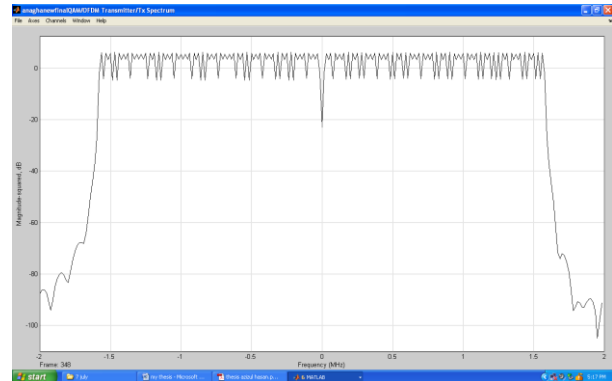


Fig.6

The output is observed for BPSK and QAM (fig.7,8)

1. WITH OUT CHANNEL(QAM) fig.4

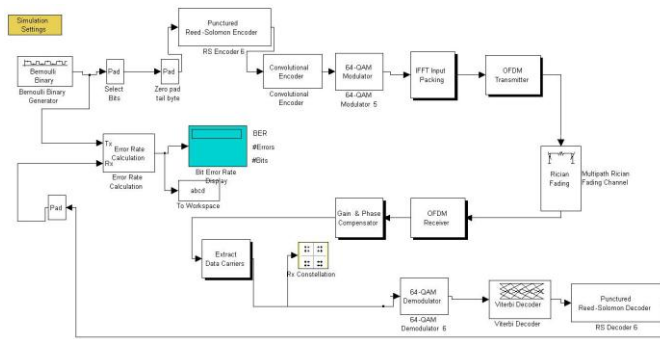


fig.4

2. WITH AWGN CHANNEL(QAM) fig 5

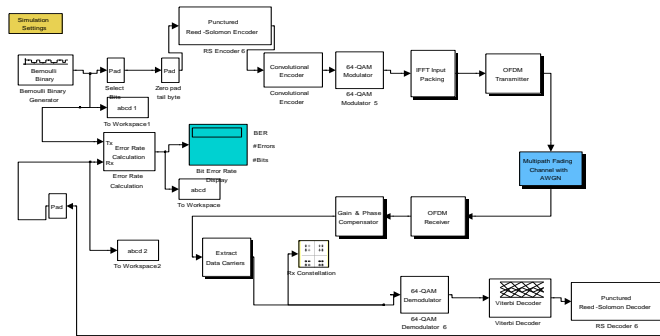


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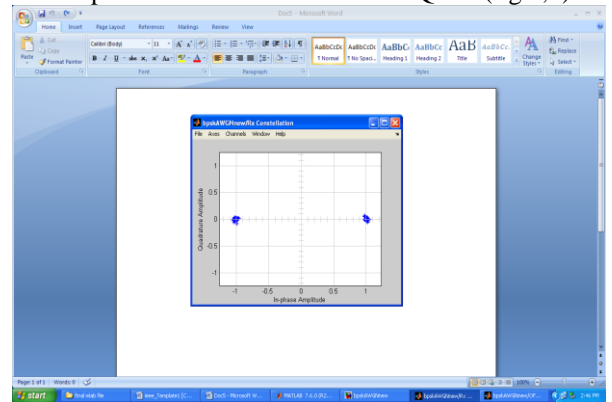


Fig.7

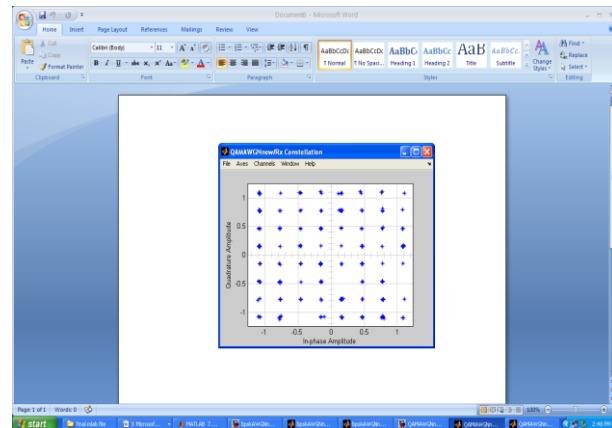


Fig.8

The BER Figure is given below:

- Without channel
- BER for bpsk::.4471
- BER For QAM:..00463

Through channel AWGN

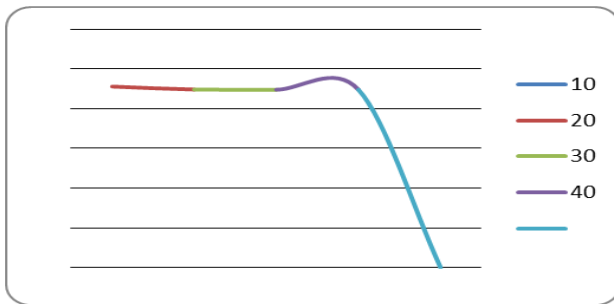
For bpsk:BER:.4481
 For QAM .08141

Results and graph is given below

Graph is in between different SNR vs BER.
 For BPSK Modulation Tech.

SNR	BER
10	0.456
20	0.4484
30	0.448
40	0.448

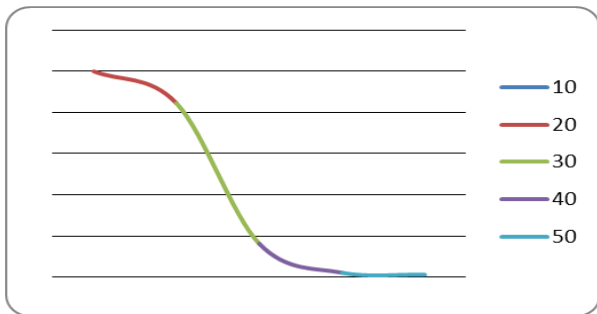
Table.1



Graph1.
 QAM Modulation Tech.

SNR	BER
10	0.5
20	0.4226
30	0.08141
40	0.01085
50	0.005943

Table2.



Graph2

Conclusions

It is observed that in convolutional coded BPSK system the BER-0.448 ,But it get reduced to ZERO Approximately in convolutional coded QAM system(BER-0.00463).For further working on the system and sending through AWGN Channel we observed that the BER is less in case of QAM .

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