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Synchronization scheme for FD-IR-UWB receiver

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Abstract: Synchronization poses a major of challenge in UWB systems because low duty cycles in UWB. This research develops an better synchronization scheme for FD-IR- UWB receivers to improve the synchronization speed. The mechanism reduces the search durarion of the symbol boundaries to only a single frame duration. Moreover, delay element is needed in each branch, since a SLD is also proposed to lower complexity of the parallel search mechanism. performance analysis and simutaitons show that the proposed scheme achieves a lower MSE and a higher PD than other alternatives.

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1. Introduction

UWB could utilize frequencies in the range 3.1- 10.6GHz^[1].UWB could thus solve the bandwidth,cost, and onsumption requirements of next-generation CE devices, for example DVD players HDTVs, MP3 players and stereos.Diferent UWB systems have been proposed,including TH-IR UWB, MB-UWB, and DS-UWB.In TH-IR UWB systems^[2],data is transmitt ed pulses on the order of sychronzation since the information bearing waveforms are pulse-like. Moreover, the channel through which these low-power pulses transmitted to be unknown to the receiver at the synchronization stage. So, peak-picking the output of a sliding correlator between there rceived signal and the transmitted template is not only suboptimal in the presence of a dense multipath, but also result to an unacceptably slow acquisition speed^[4]. However,TR^[5-7] systems eliminate this problem, since they do not require a channel estimation nanoseconds. Due to the pulse duration is narrow,TH- UWB systems achieve a fine resolution capability and low consumption, which makes TH-IR UWB systems viable candidates for short-range or indoor wireless communications^[3].A major of challenge to TH-UWB systems is timing transmitted template is not only suboptimal in the presence of a dense multipath, but also result to an unacceptably slow acquisition speed^[4]. estimation nanoseconds. Due to the pulse duration is narrow,TH- UWB systems achieve a fine resolution capability and low consumption, which makes TH-IR UWB systems viable candidates for short-range or indoor wireless communications^[3].A major of challenge to TH-UWB systems is timing.indoor wireless communications^[3]. A

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2. Signal model

As discussed in^[2],the transmitted symbol waveform from the user k is expressed as

$$s_k(t) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{N_f-1} d_{k,i} w(t - iT_s - jT_f - c_{k,j}T_c), \quad (1)$$

where k is the user index; i is the symbol index; j is the frame index; $d_{k,i} \in \{+1, -1\}$ is the data sequence of the kth active user; w(t) is the transmitted pulse waveform; T_s is the symbol duration; T_f is the pulse repetition time $\{c_{k,j}\}_{j=0}^{N_f-1}$; the TH code, and T_c is the chip duration.

As discussed in^[8],let $D_{k,p}$ be the offset between the pth and the(p+1)th transmitted pulses from the user k, where $D_{k,p} = T_f + (C_k \bmod (p+1, N) - C_k \bmod (p, N)) \times T_c$ for $p \in [0, N_f-1]$. The $S_k(t)$ is given by

$$s_k(t) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{N_f-1} d_{k,i} w \left(t - iT_s - c_{k,0}T_c - \sum_{p=0}^{j-1} D_{k,p} \right), \quad (2)$$

where $\sum_{p=0}^{-1} D_{k,p} = 0$ is defined.

The multipath corresponding to user k is modeled as a tap delay line with L_k+1 taps. The amplitudes $\{\alpha_{k,l}\}_{l=0}^{L_k}$ and delays $\{\tau_{k,l}\}_{l=0}^{L_k}$ of the taps are assumed to be invariant over one symbol duration. The channel impulse response is given by

$$h_k(t) = \sum_{l=0}^{L_k} \alpha_{k,l} \delta(t - \tau_k - \tau_{k,l}), \quad (3)$$

where $\tau_{k,0}=0$ is defined, $\tau_k \in [0, T_s]$ represents the propagation delay of the first arrival signal, and $\tau_{k,L}$ represents the maximum delay spread.

The collected waveform for all the active users has the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 r(t) &= \sum_{k=0}^{N_u-1} s_k(t) * h_k(t) + n(t) \\
 &= \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{N_u-1} \sum_{j=0}^{N_f-1} \sum_{l=0}^{L_k} d_{k,i} \alpha_{k,i} w \left(t - iT_s - c_{k,0} T_c \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \sum_{p=0}^{j-1} D_{k,p} - \tau_k - \tau_{k,l} \right) + n(t),
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

where N_u is the total number of users, and $n(t)$ denotes the additive Gaussian noise. Since $\{\alpha_{k,i}\}_{i=0}^{L_k}$ and $\{\tau_{k,i}\}_{i=0}^{L_k}$ are invariant over one symbol duration, let $v_{k,i,j}(t) = \sum_{l=0}^{L_k} \alpha_{k,i} w(t - iT_s - c_{k,0} T_c - \sum_{p=0}^{j-1} D_{k,p} - \tau_k - \tau_{k,l})$, and then $v_{k,i,j}(t) = v_{k,i,0}(t - \sum_{p=0}^{j-1} D_{k,p})$. Equation (3) could therefore be presented as

$$r(t) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^{N_u-1} \sum_{j=0}^{N_f-1} d_{k,i} v_{k,i,0} \left(t - \sum_{p=0}^{j-1} D_{k,p} \right) + n(t). \tag{5}$$

3. Simulations

The performance of the proposed PS-SLD scheme was evaluated through a series of simulations. The multipath were generated using the UWB channel model proposed by IEEE 802.15.3a^[14] with parameters of $(1/A, 1/A, T_y) = (42.9, 0.4, 7.1, 4.3)$ nanoseconds (ns). The channel pulse response was assumed to be unchanged symbol duration. Furthermore, for each user k , an assumption was made that the propagation of the first arrival signal, T_k , was uniformly distributed over the interval $[0, T_s]$. The frame duration was specified as T_f ns, where $T_r = 35$ ns, and each symbol comprised of $N = 32$ frames. The desired user was assigned a TH code $\{c_{k,j}\}_{j=0}^{N_f-1}$ that satisfied $D_{k,p} \neq D_{q,p}$ for every $p \neq q$.

The remaining users were assigned random TH codes uniformly distributed over the interval $(0, N_e \times T_c)$ with $N_e = 35$ and $T_c = 1$ ns. The sequence for the DA TDT was composed of a repeated pattern $(1, 1, -1, -1)$ for all users, but the transmitted information $d_{k,j}$ is randomly generated in the PS-SLD algorithm. The integration window, T_u , was specified as 35 ns in all of the PS-SLD simulations, except those presented in **Figure 5**. In all simulations, when comparing PS-SLD with TDT algorithms,

Figure 1 illustrates the PD for PS-SLD algorithms obtained using a simulation and a Monte Carlo. Simulation results of the PS-SLD algorithm are nearly the same as the Monte Carlo

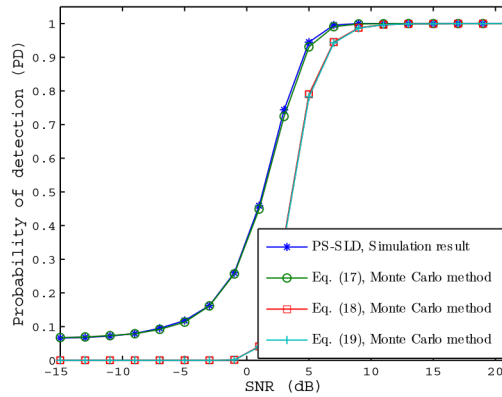


Figure 1. PD simulations and theory result, with $T = T_f$ is single-user link.

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is the PSD of AWGN. Furthermore, for each user k, an assumption was made that the propagation of the first arrival signal, T_k , was uniformly distributed over the interval $[0, T_s]$ ns,where $T_x = N_f \times T$.The frame duration was specified as $T_r = 35$ ns,and each symbol comprised of $N = 32$ frames.

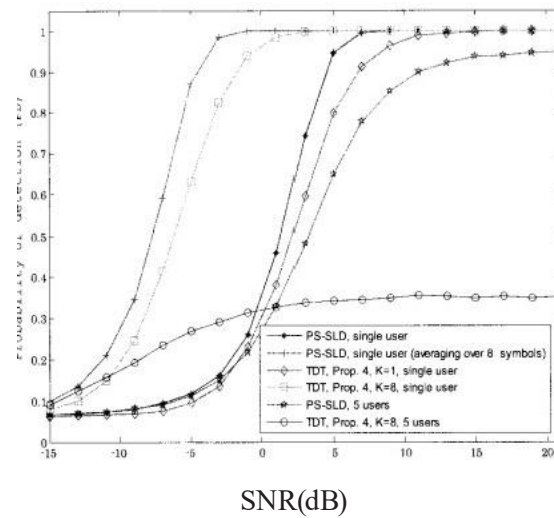


Figure 2. PD simulations of PS-SLD and TDT algorithms with $T_A = T_y$.

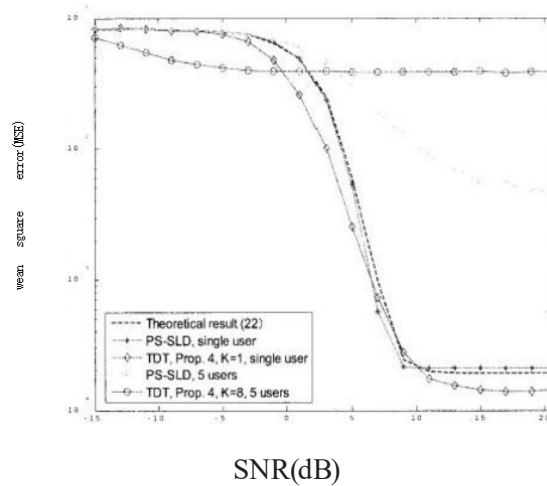


Figure 3. Normalized MSE with $T \Delta = T_y$. (MSE is normalized with respect to T).

simulation results of Eq.(17),indicating that Eq.(17)forms sound performance analysis values of the PD. Moreover, the Monte Carlo results also show that Eq.(18)and Eq.(19) are same. Importantly, the PD does not start from 0 in poor SNR regions,because the “PD for coarse acquisition denotes the tolerable inaccuracy is between the interval of $[-T_y, T_f]$. In this research, the PD floor should be 0.0625(or $2/N_g$).

Figure 2 shows the PD comparison between the PS-SLD and the TDT algorithms. For a comparison between the PS-SLD and the TDT algorithms when $K=8$, 8 symbols were received on average for the PS-SLD algorithms. Simulation results show that the PS-SLD algorithms obtain a higher PD than TDT. This simulation result is acceptable because the SLD receiver utilizes the unique interval between successive pulses, i.e. $D_{k,p}$, as the delay when correlating the received signal with the TD signal. Hence, the

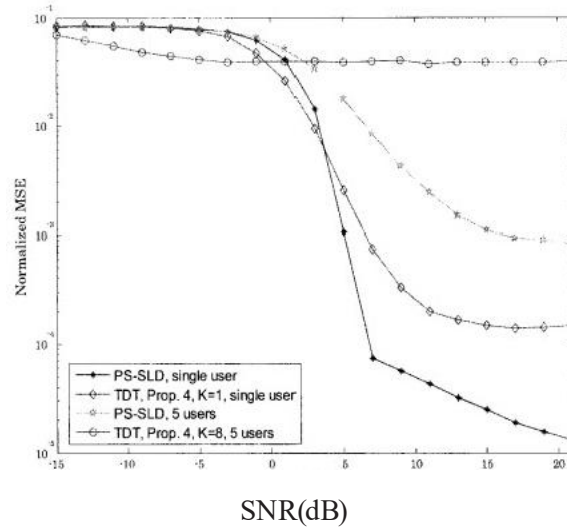


Figure 4. Normalized MSE with $T \triangleq T_c$ (MSE is normalized with respect to T^2).

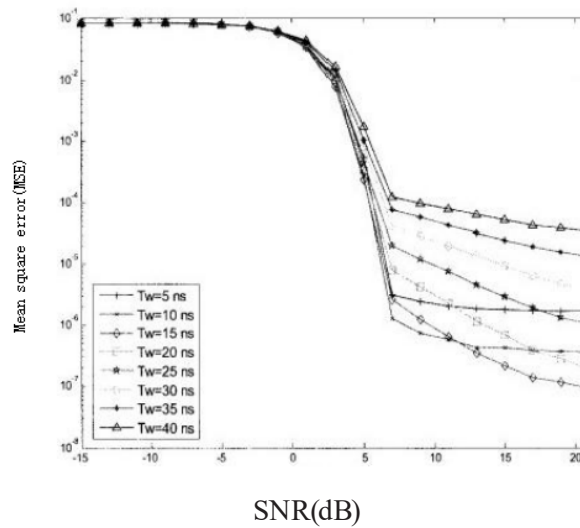


Figure 5. Normalized MSE of PS-SLD for various T settings, with $T_A = T$ in a single-user link (MSE is normalized with respect to T^2).

SLD receiver is more robust to noise and ISI than the TDT.

Although the TDTs are blind, the PD of the TDT algorithms is around $1/N$, because the receiver cannot determine the desired user's signals from other users' signals in a multi-user situation. In this case, the performance of PS-SLD is obviously better than that of TDTs in a multi-user situation.

Figures 3 and 4 compare the MSEs between PS-SLD and TDT for different T_A , indicating that TDT algorithms with $T \triangleq T_r$ perform the same as those with $T \triangleq T_c$. Although the performance of the MSE for PS-SLD and TDT algorithms are very close when $T \triangleq T_y$, PS-SLD has a better performance analysis to that of

the TDT algorithms when $T \triangleq T_c$

Figure 5 summarizes the performance of the MSE for different T settings. Usually, a larger T implies the potential for more signal power that can be acquired in the receiver. However more noise or IFI. Power is captured at high values of T , subsequently deteriorating the performance. Conversely, the captured signal when T is small may be inadequate, thus also degrading the performance^[7]. Therefore, the system parameter, T , should be small fine-tuned to optimize the MSE performance for various system situations.

6. Conclusions

This investigation proposes an NDA synchronization scheme named PS-SLD. As shown in Table 1, PS-SLD has a higher complexity than TDT. However, its uncertain region is bounded within one frame duration, and is only $1/N$, of that of the TDT algorithms. Simulation results indicate that the PS-SLD obtains a higher PD and a lower normalized MSE than the TDT algorithms in both multipath and multi-user environments.

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