# 3GPP Long Term Evolution Physical Layer 

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## Outline of the talk

- Brief overview of the eNodeB MAC-PHY interface
$\diamond$ Information sent by the MAC to the PHY
- Data and control information
- Concepts of Adaptive Modulation \& Coding, BLER \& CQI
- Description of Transceiver chain
$\diamond$ Discussion of individual sub-blocks
- Concepts of Channel Estimation and Equalization
- Synchronization principles
$\diamond$ DL Initial access
$\checkmark$ UL RACH
- Initial access example



## MAC-PHY Interface



## Transport block (TB) sizes \& Modulation

 order details- TB sizes are specified in the standard using a Table
$\diamond$ Table is indexed using
- Modulation and Coding Scheme (MCS)
- Number of PRBS
- MCS indirectly specifies the coding-rate
$\square$ MCS and number of PRBS are decided by the Scheduler
$\diamond$ Based on Channel Quality Information (CQI) feedback from the UE
$\diamond$ Also a function of fairness and number of active users in the system


# Modulation order and TBS Index relationship 

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { MCS Index } \\ I_{\text {MCS }} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Modulation Order $Q_{m}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { TBS Index } \\ I_{\mathrm{TBS}} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 2 | 0 |
|  | 1 | 2 | 1 |
|  | 2 | 2 | 2 |
|  | 3 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 4 | 2 | 4 |
|  | 5 | 2 | 5 |
|  | 6 | 2 | 6 |
|  | 7 | 2 | 7 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{r} \\ & \mathbf{I} \\ & \mathrm{I} \end{aligned}$ | - $8=-$ | $--2=-2$ | $-2-8-$ |
|  | 9 | 2 | 9 |
|  | 10 | - 4 | 9 |
|  | $=7 \Gamma=$ | $-\sim-4$ | $-70$ |
|  | 12 | 4 | 11 |
|  | 13 | 4 | 12 |
|  | 14 | 4 | 13 |
|  | - $15=$ | - - - 1 - - - | $-214=-$ |
|  | 16 | 4 | 15 |
|  | 17 | 6 | 15 |
|  | - $78=$ |  | - 76 |
|  | 19 | 6 | 17 |
|  | 20 | 6 | 18 |
|  | 21 | 6 | 19 |
|  | 22 | 6 | 20 |
|  | 23 | 6 | 21 |
|  | 24 | 6 | 22 |
|  | 25 | 6 | 23 |
|  | 26 | 6 | 24 |
|  | 27 | 6 | 25 |
|  | 28 | 6 | 26 |
| I | 29 | 2 |  |
|  | 30 | 4 | reserved |
|  | 31 | 6 |  |

Two MCS indices refer to same TBS indices

Reserved for UL HARQ

## Transport Block Size Table

| $I_{\text {TBS }}$ | $N_{\text {PRB }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |  |
| 0 | 16 | 32 | 56 | 88 | 120 | 152 | 176 | 208 | 224 | 256 |  |
| 1 | 24 | 56 | 88 | 144 | 176 | 208 | 224 | 256 | 328 | 344 |  |
| 2 | 32 | 72 | 144 | 176 | 208 | 256 | 296 | 328 | 376 | 424 |  |
| 3 | 40 | 104 | 176 | 208 | 256 | 328 | 392 | 440 | 504 | 568 |  |
| 4 | 56 | 120 | 208 | 256 | 328 | 408 | 488 | 552 | 632 | 696 |  |
| 5 | 72 | 144 | 224 | 328 | 424 | 504 | 600 | 680 | 776 | 872 |  |
| 6 | 328 | 176 | 256 | 392 | 504 | 600 | 712 | 808 | 936 | 1032 |  |
| 7 | 104 | 224 | 328 | 472 | 584 | 712 | 840 | 968 | 1096 | 1224 |  |
| 8 | 120 | 256 | 392 | 536 | 680 | 808 | 968 | 1096 | 1256 | 1384 |  |
| 9 | 136 | 296 | 456 | 616 | 776 | 936 | 1096 | 1256 | 1416 | 1544 |  |
| 10 | 144 | 328 | 504 | 680 | 872 | 1032 | 1224 | 1384 | 1544 | 1736 |  |
| 11 | 176 | 376 | 584 | 776 | 1000 | 1192 | 1384 | 1608 | 1800 | 2024 |  |
| 12 | 208 | 440 | 680 | 904 | 1128 | 1352 | 1608 | 1800 | 2024 | 2280 |  |
| 13 | 224 | 488 | 744 | 1000 | 1256 | 1544 | 1800 | 2024 | 2280 | 2536 |  |
| 14 | 256 | 552 | 840 | 1128 | 1416 | 1736 | 1992 | 2280 | 2600 | 2856 |  |
| 15 | 280 | 600 | 904 | 1224 | 1544 | 1800 | 2152 | 2472 | 2728 | 3112 |  |
| 16 | 328 | 632 | 968 | 1288 | 1608 | 1928 | 2280 | 2600 | 2984 | 3240 |  |
| 17 | 336 | 696 | 1064 | 1416 | 1800 | 2152 | 2536 | 2856 | 3240 | 3624 |  |
| 18 | 376 | 776 | 1160 | 1544 | 1992 | 2344 | 2792 | 3112 | 3624 | 4008 |  |
| 19 | 408 | 840 | 1288 | 1736 | 2152 | 2600 | 2984 | 3496 | 3880 | 4264 |  |
| 20 | 440 | 904 | 1384 | 1864 | 2344 | 2792 | 3240 | 3752 | 4136 | 4584 |  |
| 21 | 488 | 1000 | 1480 | 1992 | 2472 | 2984 | 3496 | 4008 | 4584 | 4968 |  |
| 22 | 520 | 1064 | 1608 | 2152 | 2664 | 3240 | 3752 | 4264 | 4776 | 5352 |  |
| 23 | 552 | 1128 | 1736 | 2280 | 2856 | 3496 | 4008 | 4584 | 5160 | 5736 |  |
| 24 | 584 | 1192 | 1800 | 2408 | 2984 | 3624 | 4264 | 4968 | 5544 | 5992 |  |
| 25 | 616 | 1256 | 1864 | 2536 | 3112 | 3752 | 4392 | 5160 | 5736 | 6200 |  |
| 26 | 712 | 1480 | 2216 | 2984 | 3752 | 4392 | 5160 | 5992 | 6712 | 7480 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## Adaptive Modulation \& Coding

## Fundamentals of Adaptive Modulation and Coding (AMC)

- Wireless channel has statistical variations
$\checkmark$ A mobile user channel will vary with its location \& speed
- Channel variations can be estimated and fed-back
$\diamond$ For a slow moving user:
- (Nearly) exact channel can be fed-back to eNodeB
- Done by quantizing the channel
- Done by feeding back the MCS, PMI and RI (Will revisit later)
$\diamond$ For a fast moving user
- First (mean) and second order (variance) statistics can be fed
- AMC
$\checkmark$ Achieves capacity
$\diamond$ Binary (but not practical) way to state:
- Transmit only when channel is good and don't when channel is bad
$\rangle$ Non binary way:
- Match the code-rate to the channel conditions


## Channel Conditions

- Channel condition = SINR seen by a particular user



## SINR CDF plot

## BLER concept

- Turbo codes are capacity achieving
$\diamond$ Does-not follow water-fall behavior like Convolutional code
$\diamond$ BER/BLER drops to zero after a particular SNR


Ref: (Figure 10.1 Stefania Sesia et. al, LTE - The UMTS Long Term Evolution)

## CQI concept

- UE calculates the post-processing SNR
$\diamond$ Post-processing SNR - Depends on the capability of UE (UE category)
$\diamond$ A particular category UE has 2 antennas
- 3 dB extra gain
- Category indirectly refers to the UE price
- UE maps the post-processing SNR to the MCS
- Different kinds of CQI


## Aperiodic CQI reporting (1/2)

- Wideband
$\diamond$ CQI for the entire system bandwidth
- Higher layer configured sub-band
$\diamond$ UE reports a wideband CQI value for the whole system bandwidth
$\diamond$ In addition, the UE reports a CQI value for each subband, calculated assuming transmission only in the relevant subband
$\diamond$ Sub-band CQI reports are encoded differentially with respect to the wideband CQI using 2-bits as follows
Sub-band differential CQI offset = Sub-band CQI index -Wideband CQI index
$\diamond$ Possible sub-band differential CQI offsets are \{<$1,0,+1,>+2\}$


## Aperiodic CQI reporting (2/2)

- UE selected sub-bands
$\diamond$ UE selects a set of $M$ preferred sub-bands of size $k$ within the whole system bandwidth
$\diamond$ UE reports one wideband CQI value and one CQI value reflecting the average quality of the $M$ selected sub-bands
$\checkmark$ UE also reports the positions of the $M$ selected sub-bands
$\diamond$ Sub-band CQI reports are encoded differentially with respect to the wideband CQI using 2-bits as follows
Differential CQI = Index for average of M preferred sub-bands - Wideband CQI index
$\checkmark$ Possible sub-band differential CQI offsets are $\{<+1,+2,+3$

| System Bandwidth <br> $N_{\mathrm{RB}}^{\mathrm{DL}}$ | Subband Size k (RBs) | $\boldsymbol{M}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $6-7$ | NA | NA |
| $8-10$ | 2 | 1 |
| $11-26$ | 2 | 3 |
| $27-63$ | 3 | 5 |
| $64-110$ | 4 | 6 |

## Periodic reporting

$\square$ RRC connection reconfiguration message configures the reporting modes
$\diamond$ Only wideband and UE-selected sub-band feedback is possible for periodic CQI reporting
$\diamond$ Sent using the PUCCH
$\checkmark$ Period $=\{2,5,10,16,20,32,40,64,80,160\}$ ms or Off
$\diamond$ The UE selected subband reports are based on bandwidth parts and not on subbands as in the aperiodic case

| System Bandwidth <br> $N_{\mathrm{RB}}^{\mathrm{DL}}$ | Subband Size $\mathbf{k}$ <br> (RBs) | Bandwidth Parts <br> $(\boldsymbol{J})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $6-7$ | NA | NA |
| $8-10$ | 4 | 1 |
| $11-26$ | 4 | 2 |
| $27-63$ | 6 | 3 |
| $64-110$ | 8 | 4 |

## LTE Transceiver chain

## eNodeB PHY Transmit chain



- Performs error detection
$\diamond$ Does not correct
- Essential for HARQ implementation
- Different CRC for data and control
- 24-bit for data
$\diamond$ Transport block can be segmented into multiple code blocks
$\diamond$ CRC is computed for the Transport Block and each segmented code block
- Allows error detection at code-block level
- If a code-block is in error, no need to process remaining code blocks
$\diamond$ CRC for TB and each code-block
- Duplication of efforts?
- Different polynomials for TB-CRC and code-block CRC
- Allows detection of any residual errors
- 16-bit for DL control
- 8-bit for UL control (when multiplexed with data)


## Segmentation

- Transport block size can be greater than Turbo code block size
$\diamond$ Maximum Turbo code block size - 6144
$\diamond$ Maximum Transport block size (for MCS-26 and 110 RBs)73376
- TB should be segmented if TB size > 6144
- BLER performance is limited by the smallest TB size
$\checkmark$ Coding gain is less
- Segmentation block ensures that a TB is divided into equal size code-blocks
$\diamond$ E.g., TB size of 6224 is segmented into two code block of sizes 3136
- Maximum Turbo code block size in UMTS - 5114
$\diamond$ Size increased in LTE such that 1500-byte TCP/IP packet is segmented into two code blocks instead of three
- Increase the coding gain


## Forward Error Correction Block $\frac{\int \frac{C E w i r}{\text { INolA }} \backslash}{\text { INo }}$



## Forward Error Correction Block $\frac{\int \text { CEwit }}{\text { INoin }} \backslash$

- Turbo block input $=K$ bits
$\diamond$ Turbo block output - 3 streams of $K$ bits +12 tail bits
- K Systematic bits, K Parity1 bits, K Parity2 bits
- 12 tail bits are shared across three stream
- Three streams are rearranged with their own subblock Interleavers
$\diamond$ Interleaver handles the block errors by spreading them across the code-block
- Single buffer is formed by placing the rearranged systematic bits
- Systematic bits are followed by interlacing of the two rearranged parity streams
$\diamond$ Interlacing allows equal protection for each constituent code
Sub-block Interleaver is based on row-column interleaver.


## Rate Matching Principles

- Mother code-rate is $1 / 3$
- Coded bits should be pruned to match the allocated resources
- Pruning implies repetition/puncturing
$\checkmark$ E.g., TB size is 256 for MCS-0 (QPSK) and NPRB-10
- Total number of bits which can be transmitted
- 10 (NPRB) *120(RE) $* 2$ (QPSK) $=2400$
- Turbo encoder output length $-256 * 3=768$
- Bits should be repeated as encoded data is less than the resources available
- code-rate is lower than $1 / 3^{\text {rd }}$
$\diamond$ E.g., TB size is 1544 for MCS-9 (QPSK) and NPRB-10
- Total number of bits which can be transmitted
- 10 (NPRB) * $120(\mathrm{RE}) * 2$ (QPSK) $=2400$
- Turbo encoder output length - 1544*3 = 4632
- Bits should be punctured as encoded data is more than the resources available
- code-rate is higher than $1 / 3^{\text {rd }}$


## Rate Matcher in LTE

- Circular buffer based rate-matcher


2-D view of the circular buffer

## Rate Matcher in LTE

- Redundancy version specifies a starting point in the circular buffer
- Different RVs are specified by defining different starting points
- Usually RV-0 is selected for initial transmission to send as many systematic bits as possible
- Scheduler can choose different RVs to support Chase and IR HARQ
- Systematic bits are also punctured
$\diamond$ Leads to enhanced performance at high-code rates [1]
[1] s. ten Brink, "Code Doping for Triggering Iterative Decoding
Convergence"


## HARQ Principles

Code-rate is decided by eNodeB after getting the CQI feed-back from UE

- In spite of this, a received TB could be in error
$\diamond$ Fast moving user
- CQI reported may be outdated
$\checkmark$ Slow moving user
- Erroneous reporting of CQI in interference limited scenario
$\diamond$ Standard specifies that the UE should specify the MCS
- such that BLER=10-1
- HARQ is employed to utilize the time diversity
$\diamond$ Chase - Same bits are transmitted
- Allows Maximal ratio combining
$\diamond$ Incremental redundancy - different RVs are transmitted
- Coding gain


## HARQ details

Multiple parallel Stop and Wait processes in parallel


- Eight processes in parallel

Ref: (Figure 19.1, Dehlman et. al. 3G EVOLUTION : HSPA AND LTE FOR MOBILE BROADBAND)

## HARQ flow-diagram in DL

a ACK/NACK for data packets transmitted in the downlink: UE requests retransmission of incorrectly received data packets
$\diamond$ ACK/NACK is transmitted in UL, either on PUCCH or mux with PUSCH
$\diamond$ ACK/NACK transmission refers to the data packet received four sub-frames ( $=4 \mathrm{~ms}$ ) before,

DL-SCH PDCCH

PUCCH


Ref: (Figure 4.4, Freescale white paper, Long Term Evolution Protocol Overview)

## HARQ flow-diagram in UL

a eNodeB requests retransmission of incorrectly received data packets
$\diamond$ ACK/NACK is transmitted in PHICH
$\diamond$ ACK/NACK transmission refers to the data packet received four sub-frames ( $=4 \mathrm{~ms}$ ) before,


Ref: (Figure 4.6, Freescale white paper, Long Term Evolution Protocol Overview)

## Scrambler

- Scrambling is applied to all downlink physical channels
- Initialized using cell-id
$\checkmark$ Serves the purpose of interference randomization
- Order-31 Gold code
$\checkmark 2^{31}$ sequences
- Can be generated with very low implementation complexity
$\checkmark$ Modulo-2 addition of two sequences
$\diamond$ Can be generated from two shift registers
$\diamond$ Reduces correlation between sequence used $\oiint$, adjacent cells


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| Channels | Modulation scheme |
| :--- | :--- |
| PBCH | QPSK |
| PDCCH | QPSK |
| PDSCH | QPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM |
| PMCH | QPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM |
| PCFICH | QPSK |
| PHICH | BPSK modulated on I and Q with <br> the spreading factor 2 or 4 Walsh <br> codes |
| Signals | Modulation scheme |
| RS | Complex I+jQ pseudo random <br> sequence (length-31 Gold <br> sequence) derived from cell ID |
| P-SCH | One of three Zadoff-Chu sequences |
| S-SCH | Two 31-bit BPSK PN-sequence |

## Modulation - Uplink Alphabet

| Channels | Modulation scheme |
| :--- | :--- |
| PUCCH | BPSK, QPSK |
| PUSCH | QPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM |
| PRACH | Zadoff-Chu |


| Signals | Modulation scheme |
| :--- | :--- |
| Demodulation | Zadoff-chu |
| RS |  |

Sounding RS Based on Zadoff-Chu

## Code-word to Layer Mapping (1/B $)^{\xi E_{\text {wit }}^{\text {Noit }}} \backslash$

- Mapping of symbols on-to the antenna ports
a Layer mapping depends on the MIMO scheme employed
Number of layers is equal to the antenna ports used $\checkmark$ Concept of Antenna Port
- Layer Mapping fol ${ }_{x^{(0)}(i)=d^{(0)}(i)}$ ) on single antenna port


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 - Layer Mapping for transmit diversity| Number of layers | Number of code words | Codeword-to-layer mapping $i=0,1, \ldots, M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}-1$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 1 | $\begin{array}{ll} x^{(0)}(i)=d^{(0)}(2 i) & \\ x^{(1)}(i)=d^{(0)}(2 i+1) & M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}=M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)} / 2 \end{array}$ |
| 4 | 1 | $\begin{array}{ll} x^{(0)}(i)=d^{(0)}(4 i) & M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}=\left\{\begin{array}{cl} M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)} / 4 & \text { if } M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)} \bmod 4=0 \\ \left(M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)}+2\right) / 4 & \text { if } M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)} \bmod 4 \neq 0 \end{array}\right. \\ x^{(1)}(i)=d^{(0)}(4 i+1) & \text { If } M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)} \bmod 4 \neq 0 \text { two null symbols shall be } \\ x^{(2)}(i)=d^{(0)}(4 i+2) & \text { appended to } d^{(0)}\left(M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)}-1\right) \end{array}$ |

(Ref:6.3.3.2 of 36.211)

## Code-word to Layer Mapping $(3 / B)^{\xi E_{\text {wit }}^{\text {Noit }}} \backslash$

 - Layer Mapping for spatial multiplexing| Number of layers | Number of code words | Codeword-to-layer mapping $i=0,1, \ldots, M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}-1$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1 | $x^{(0)}(i)=d^{(0)}(i) \quad M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}=M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)}$ |
| 2 | 2 | $\begin{array}{ll} x^{(0)}(i)=d^{(0)}(i) \\ x^{(1)}(i)=d^{(1)}(i) \end{array} \quad M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}=M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)}=M_{\text {symb }}^{(1)}$ |
| 2 | 1 | $\begin{aligned} & x^{(0)}(i)=d^{(0)}(2 i) \\ & x^{(1)}(i)=d^{(0)}(2 i+1) \end{aligned} \quad M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}=M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)} / 2$ |
| 3 | 2 | $\begin{aligned} x^{(0)}(i) & =d^{(0)}(i) \\ x^{(1)}(i) & =d^{(1)}(2 i) \\ x^{(2)}(i) & =d^{(1)}(2 i+1) \end{aligned} \quad M_{\text {symb }}^{\text {layer }}=M_{\text {symb }}^{(0)}=M_{\text {symb }}^{(1)} / 2$ |
| 4 | 2 | $\begin{aligned} x^{(0)}(i) & =d^{(0)}(2 i) \\ x^{(1)}(i) & =d^{(0)}(2 i+1) \quad \\ x^{(2)}(i) & =d^{(1)}(2 i) \\ x^{(3)}(i) & =d^{(1)}(2 i+1) \end{aligned}$ |

(Ref:6.3.3.2 of 36.211)

## Rank Indicator (RI)

- A $2 \times 2$ MIMO system is represented as a set of linear equations

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\begin{aligned}
& h_{11} x+h_{12} y=c_{1} \\
& h_{21} x+h_{22} y=c_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

- RI definition in the LTE framework
$\diamond$ Borrowed from Linear Algebra and is defined as the number of independent columns
- Number of independent columns = Number of streams
- For a $2 \times 2$ MIMO system,
- Number of independent columns = 1, 2
- UE can decide the Rank using different performance criterion
$\diamond$ Throughput maximization
- Calculate the throughput using Rank - 1 and Rank - 2
- Feedback the rank which gives the maximum throughput


## Precoder

- Open loop precoding
$\diamond$ No feedback from UE
- Transmit diversity
- Closed loop precoding
$\diamond$ Requires feedback from the UE
- UE calculates the post-processing SNR for different precoding matrices
- Reports the matrix which results in best SNR (PMI)
- Post-processing SNR for single stream transmission


Without PMI


With $\mathrm{PMI}=3$

## Precoding Matrix Indicator

- Applicable for transmission modes 4, 5 and 6
$\square$ Indicates the precoder weights used for precoding
$\diamond$ usual objective function is post-SINR maximization
a Feedback bits depends on the number of tx antenna ports
$\diamond\{0,1\}$ in case with 2 antenna port
$\diamond\{0,1, \ldots, 15\}$ with 4 antenna ports
- PMI sent on either PUSCH or PUCCH

Single stream Dual stream
$\left.\begin{array}{ccc} & {[1} & 1\end{array}\right] \quad\left[\begin{array}{cc}{[1} & 1],[1 \\ \hline & \\ \hline \text { Two transmit } \\ \text { antennas }\end{array} \quad\left[\begin{array}{ll}1 & -1\end{array}\right] \quad\left[\begin{array}{ll}1 & j\end{array}\right],\left[\begin{array}{ll}1 & -j]]\end{array}\right]\right.$

## Resource Block Mapping and Baseband Signal Generation

- Symbols are mapped on-to the 2-D Resource Blocks
- Location of Resource blocks allocated to a user depends on the CQI feedback from the user
$\diamond$ Decided by the scheduler in the MAC layer



## OFDM basics (1/2)

- OFDM is sum of sinusoids on in-phase and quadrature arms
$\Delta I=\sum_{i} \sin \left(2 * \Pi^{*} \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{t}\right)+j^{*} \sum_{i} \cos \left(2 * \pi^{*} \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{t}\right)$
$\diamond$ Sinusoids are orthogonal over one period of lowest frequency sinusoid
$\diamond$ Sinusoids are separated by $\Delta f=1 / \mathrm{Ts}$
$\diamond$ Can be easily separated at the receiver by observing one period of lowest frequency sinusoid
- From 'Signal and Systems fundamentals'
$\diamond$ Sinusoids are Eigen functions of an LTI systems
- In case of wireless systems, multipath channel is the LTI system
$\diamond$ O/P is only a scaled version of the I/P
- Individual rx subcarriers are scaled version of tx subcarriers
- Scaling factor (Channel coefficients) can be easily determined using well established signal processing techniques like Least


## OFDM basics (2/2)

- CP - Few samples of the sum of sinusoids are taken from the end are appended in the beginning
$\diamond$ Extends the symbol duration and also phase continuity is maintained
- Helps in tackling multipath
- Ensures that timing estimation can have tolerance of few samples
Samples corrupted by Multipath



## PHY Receive Chain



## Demodulation (1/2)

Equalizer output can be processed in two ways
$\checkmark$ Sub-optimum


- Apply the nearest distance detection rule
- Threshold the equalized symbols to the nearest transmitted symbol
- Demap the symbols into bits
- Results in a penalty of 2-3 dB


## Demodulation (2/2)

- Optimum

$\diamond$ Apply the nearest distance detection rule
- Calculate LLR $=\log \left(\mathrm{b}_{0} / \mathrm{b}_{1}\right)$
- E.g., if $x=0.1$ - j0.1,
- LLR_bit0 $\approx 0.1 \&$ LLR_bit1 $\approx-0.1$


## De-rate Matching Principles

- Recall
$\diamond$ Turbo mother code-rate is $1 / 3$
$\diamond$ Coded bits were pruned to match the allocated resources
- Pruning implies repetition/puncturing
- Repetition implies that code-rate is lower than $1 / 3^{\text {rd }}$
- Puncturing implies that code-rate is higher than $1 / 3^{\text {rd }}$
- Turbo decoder is designed for code-rate $=1 / 3$
$\checkmark$ Code rate should be made $=1 / 3$
- LLRs of repeated bits are added
- Zeros are inserted in place of LLRs of punctured bits


## Synchronisation

## LTE Initial access



## Cell search (1/3)

- Cell search: Mobile terminal or user equipment (UE) acquires time and frequency synchronization with a cell and detects the cell ID of that cell
$\diamond$ Based on BCH (Broadcast Channel) signal and hierarchical SCH (Synchronization Channel) signals
- Cell search procedure:

Step 1: Find Primary SCH sequence

- Obtain 5ms timing
- Get cell identity within the cell-identity group (3 nos)

Step 2: Find Secondary SCH sequence

- Sequence pair to obtain exact frame timing
- Obtain cell identity group (168 nos)
- Know also the reference signal sequence

Step 3: Read BCH

- Obtain basic data as bandwidth, number of antennas etc.


## Cell search (2/3)



Synchronization signals in the time domain
[Src: Telesystem Innov.]

## Cell search (3/3)



1. Primary synchronization signal (PSS)

- 3 possible sequences to identify the cells physical layer identity ( $0,1,2$ )

1. Secondary synchronization signal (SSS)

- 168 different sequences to identify physical layer cell identity group

Hierarchical cell search as in 3G; providing PSS and SSS for assistance,

- PSS is carrying physical layer identity $N_{\mathbb{D}}^{(2)}$,
- SSS is carrying physical layer cell identity group $N_{\mathbb{D}}^{(1)}$,
- Cell Identity is computed as $N_{I D}^{\text {cell }}=3 N_{I D}^{(1)}+N_{I D}^{(2)}$, where $N_{I D}^{(1)}=0,1, \ldots, 167$ and $N_{I D}^{(2)}=0,1,2$


## Summary of Cell-search Stages $\int$ dewnr


[Src: Rohde

- Physical Broadcast Channel (PBCH)
$\diamond$ Carrying broadcast channel (BCH) with Master Information Block (MIB) System bandwidth [4 bit], PHICH configuration [Duration: 1 bit, Resource: 2 bit], System Frame Number [SFN, 8 bit] and indirect about the used Tx antennas,
$\diamond$ QPSK modulated, cell-specific scrambling
$\diamond$ Transmitted on 72 subcarriers around the carrier frequency
- PBCH structure

[Src: Telesystem


## PBCH Generation



## Uplink Synchronisation (1/2)

- Three users in a system
- Three of them located at differential distances from the eNodeB

- Different RTDs will lead to interference at the eNodeB



## Uplink Synchronisation (2/2)

- Uplink transmission orthogonality between users is maintained by timing advance
$\diamond$ Set initially during Random Access Procedure
$\diamond$ Updated as necessary subsequently
- Supports at least 100 km cell range

TS 36.211
$\diamond$ Greater ranges are upto implementation

$N_{\text {TA }}$ can range from 0 to $20512, \mathrm{Ts}=1 / 30.72 \mu \mathrm{sec}$

- Carries the RACH preamble a UE sends to access the network in non-synchronized mode and used to allow the UE to synchronize timing with the eNodeB



## PRACH (2/2)

- Subcarrier spacing of 1.25 KHz
- Consists of 839 subcarriers $=1.05 \mathrm{MHz}$
$\diamond 15 \mathrm{KHz}$ guard, either side
- FDD LTE -> 4 formats
$\checkmark$ Format 0, good upto 14 Km
- 1 msec subframe
- Position fixed by SIB2

| Cyclic <br> Prefix | Preamble | Guard <br> Time |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
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## Preamble Formats



## UL Power Control

- Controls uplink power spectral density
$\diamond$ Total uplink transmit power scales linearly with transmitted bandwidth
- Fractional power control can compensate for all or part of path loss
$\diamond$ Allows trade-off between intra-cell fairness and inter-cell interference
- MCS-specific offsets may be applied
- Closed-loop power control commands can fine-tune the power setting
$\diamond$ Carried on PDCCH
- Individual commands in UL resource grants
- Group commands for groups of UEs
- Separate power control for PUCCH and PUSCH

Reference Signal Received Power (RSRP)
$\square$ RSRP is defined as the linear average over the power contributions (in [W]) of the resource elements that carry cell-specific reference signals within the considered measurement frequency bandwidth
$\square$ Reference point for the RSRP shall be the antenna connector of the UE


Reference Signal Received Quality (RSRQ) $\frac{\mid \text { CEwit }}{1 \text { NOIA }} \backslash$

## RSRQ $=\mathrm{N} \times$ RSRP /Carrier RSSI

$\square N$ is the number of RBs of the carrier RSSI measurement bandwidth.

- Carrier RSSI is the linear average of the
$\diamond$ Total received power (in [W]) observed only in
- Reference symbols for antenna port 0 in $N$ RBs
$\square$ Measurements in the numerator and denominator shall be made over the same set of resource blocks


## References

- 3GPP Documents
$\diamond 36.101$ Overview
$\diamond 36.211$ Physical channels and modulation
$\diamond 36.212$ Multiplexing and channel coding
$\diamond 36.213$ Physical layer procedures
$\checkmark 36.214$ Physical layer measurements
$\diamond 36.133$ Radio resource management

- Books
$\diamond$ LTE, The UMTS Long Term Evolution: From Theory to Practice (Matthew Baker et. al., Philips)
$\diamond$ 3G EVOLUTION: HSPA and LTE for Mobile Broadband (Erik Dahlman et. al., Ericsson)
$\diamond$ LTE for UMTS - OFDMA and SC-FDMA Based Radio Access (Anti Toskala et. al., Nokia / NSN)
- Whitepapers and tutorials from Rohde Schwarz, Agilent, ...


## Thanks

## Back-up Slides

## Example procedures

## Example: Indicating PDCCH format



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1) Several identities are used in LTE to identify UE's (e.g. C-RNTI), System Information (SI-RNTI), Paging Information (P-RNTI) or during Random Access Procedure (RA-RNTI), for details see 3GPP TS36.321 V8.5.0 MAC Protocol Specification

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## Concept of Antenna port (1/2)

 - RS structure for 1, 2 and 4 antennas in normal CP


Antenna Port 1

## Concept of Antenna port (2/2)

- UE specific RS for normal CP
$\diamond$ Supports non-code book based beam forming


## Code-rate calculation

$\square$ Code - rate $=k / n$
$\Delta k=$ Number of information bits
$\diamond \mathrm{n}=$ Total number of bits transmitted

- TBS - 0 \& NPRBS $=10$
$\Delta k=256$
$\diamond \mathrm{n}=$ modulation-order * Number of resource elements

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\begin{aligned}
& =2 *(\text { NPRBS } * 120) \\
& =2 *(10 * 120) \\
& =2400
\end{aligned}
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$\checkmark$ Code - rate $=256 / 2400=.1066$

