

NEW METHODS OF WINDOWING FOR REDUCING THE OUT OF BAND  
EMISSION WITH LOW COMPLEXITY IN THE 5G WAVEFORM

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## ABSTRACT

Various 5G waveform candidates are used for wireless communication in multicarrier waveform design. This specifically includes Filtered-Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (F-OFDM) and Universal Filtered Multicarrier (UFMC) waveforms adopted in the high-speed 5G system and beyond. Previous literature studies showed that a high level for out of band emission (OOBE) and attaining accurate KPIs in real applications are the main obstacles in the 5G communication. Thus, the present study contributed in three new methods in the time domain, namely, Kaiser Hankel subband Window (KHW), hybrid window group subcarrier-windowing (HWG subcarrier windowing), and Convolution New Window type-windowing (CNW windowing) to suppress the value of OOBE in F-OFDM and UFMC and improve Power Spectral Density (PSD) without degradation of Bit Error Rate (BER) in the system. On the other hand, two methods were proposed in the frequency domain to decrease the OOBE while maintaining a low computational complexity, namely, Array window subcarrier windowing (AWsubcarrer-windowing) and the Half subcarrier edge windowing (HSE-windowing). The OOBE decrease for KHW, HWG, and CNW is 70%, 75%, and 80% for the ACLPRG for KHW, HWG, and CNW, respectively. Moreover, ACLPRG for AW and HSE is 78% and 81% of either the traditional in frequency domain approach. The merging also reduces suppression ACLPRG OOBE by 88%. Also, difficult real-addition and multiplication operations have been reduced by 33-45%. The new methods helped reduce the value of OOBE without affecting the system's KPIs. The waveform could also coexist with a legacy system without affecting the core KPIs and key quality indicators (KQIs) by reduce the OOBE in the 5G waveform. Moreover, the study found that lowering OOBE did not increase system complexity. These findings have ramifications for academics, and 5G communication.

## ABSTRAK

Pelbagai bentuk gelombang 5G digunakan untuk komunikasi tanpa wayar dalam reka bentuk gelombang berbilang pembawa. Ini secara khusus termasuk pemultipleksan pembahagian frekuensi orthogonal yang ditapis (F-OFDM) dan Pembawa Berbilang Penapis Universal (UFMC) yang diterima pakai dalam sistem 5G berkelajuan tinggi dan selanjutnya. Walau bagaimanapun, kajian literatur sebelum ini menunjukkan bahawa tahap pelepasan luar jalur (OOBE) yang tinggi dan mencapai petunjuk kualiti utama (KPI) yang tepat dalam aplikasi sebenar merupakan halangan utama dalam komunikasi 5G. Oleh itu, kajian ini menyumbang kepada tiga kaedah baharu dalam domain masa, iaitu, tettingkap sub-jalur Kaiser Hankel (KHW), tettingkap sub-pembawa kumpulan tettingkap hibrid (tettingkap sub-pembawa HWG), dan tettingkap jenis Tettingkap Konvolusi Baharu (tettingkap CNW). Ini adalah untuk memadatkan nilai OOBE dalam F-OFDM dan UFMC dan meningkatkan Ketumpatan Spektrum Kuasa (PSD) tanpa penurunan Kadar Ralat Bit (BER) dalam sistem. Sebaliknya, dua kaedah telah dicadangkan dalam domain frekuensi untuk mengurangkan OOBE sambil mengekalkan kerumitan pengiraan yang rendah, iaitu, tettingkap sub-pembawa tettingkap tatasusunan (tettingkap AW sub-pembawa) dan tettingkap sudut sub-pembawa separuh (tettingkap HSE). Sehubungan itu, berbanding dengan teknik tettingkap tradisional dalam domain masa, pengurangan OOBE berkenaan Keuntungan Pengurangan Kuasa Bocoran Saluran Bersebelahan (ACLPRG) untuk KHW, HWG dan CNW masing-masing 70%, 75%, dan 82%. Selain itu, kaedah ACLPRG untuk AW dan HSE dibandingkan dengan kaedah domain frekuensi tradisional dengan 78% dan 81%, masing-masing. Tambahan pula, pengurangan ACLPRG OOBE penindasan untuk kaedah gabungan ialah 88%. Di samping itu, bilangan operasi tambah nyata dan pendaraban kompleks telah dikurangkan kepada 33-45%, masing-masing. Penemuan semasa mengakui bahawa kaedah baharu menyumbang kepada mengehadkan nilai OOBE ke tahap yang lebih rendah tanpa menjejaskan prestasi Petunjuk Prestasi Utama (KPI) dalam sistem. Selain itu, kewujudan bersama yang novel mencadangkan bentuk

gelombang 5G dengan sistem warisan tanpa penurunan dalam KPI utama dan petunjuk kualiti utama (KQI). Selain itu, kajian itu mengesahkan bahawa penurunan nilai OOB tidak menyebabkan sebarang kerumitan yang tinggi dalam sistem. Kesimpulan ini boleh menarik implikasi kajian ini tentang bidang akademik dan komunikasi 5G yang realistik .



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## LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

$T_{pts_s}^{groups}$	-	Type of Partitioning Method
$\Delta f$	-	Frequency Space between Subcarriers
$3G$	-	Third Generation
$3GPP$	-	Third Generation Partnership Project
$4G$	-	Fourth Generation
$5G$	-	Fifth Generation
$ADC$	-	Analog to Digital Converters
$Ad-PTS$	-	Adjacent Partitioning Scheme
$AWGN$	-	Additive White Gaussian Noise
$B$	-	Bandwidth of The Symbol
$BER$	-	Bit Error Rate
$b_v$	-	Phase Factors Elements
$C$	-	Number of The Candidate Signals
$C_{add}$	-	Number of Complex Addition Operations
$CC$	-	Computational Complexity Level
$CCDF$	-	Complementary Cumulative Distribution Function
$C_{comp}$	-	Number of Comparison Operations
$CCRR^+$	-	Addition Operations Ratio
$CCRR^*$	-	Multiplication Operations Ratio
$CFO$	-	Carrier Frequency Offset
$C_{mult}$	-	Number of Complex Multiplication Operations
$CP$	-	Cyclic Prefix
$C-PTS$	-	Conventional Partial Transmit Sequence
$D/A$	-	Digital to Analogue
$DAB$	-	Digital Audio Broadcasting
$DAC$	-	Digital to Analog Converters
$dB$	-	Decibel

<i>DVB-H</i>	-	Digital Video Broadcasting-Handheld
<i>DVB-T</i>	-	Digital Video Broadcasting-Terrestrial
<i>E</i>	-	Length of DFT Block
<i>f(n)</i>	-	Spectrum Shaping Filter
<i>FBMC</i>	-	Filter Bank Multi-Carrier
<i>FFT</i>	-	Fast Fourier Transform
<i>FMT</i>	-	Filtered Multi-Tone
<i>F-OFDM</i>	-	Filtered-Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing
<i>G-C-PTS</i>	-	Grouping Complex Iteration PTS Algorithm
<i>Gray-PTS</i>	-	Gray Code PTS Algorithm
<i>H</i>	-	Shift Number Sets
<i>h<sub>LPF</sub>(n)</i>	-	Sinc Impulse Response
<i>HPA</i>	-	High Power Amplifier
<i>H-PTS</i>	-	Hybrid Random and Terminals Exchange Algorithm
<i>I</i>	-	Number of Iterations
<i>IDFT</i>	-	Inverse Discrete Fourier Transform
<i>IFFT</i>	-	Inverse Fast Fourier Transform
<i>IL-PTS</i>	-	Interleaving Partitioning Scheme
<i>IoT</i>	-	Internet of Things
<i>ISI</i>	-	Inter-Symbol Interference
<i>J</i>	-	Concatenated Factor
<i>k</i>	-	Frequency Domain Index
<i>K</i>	-	Number of Interleavers
<i>l</i>	-	Number of The Intermediate Data Sequence Stages
<i>L</i>	-	Oversampling Factor
<i>LFSR</i>	-	Left Feedback Shift Register
<i>LPF</i>	-	Low Pass Filter
<i>LTE</i>	-	Long Term Evolution Standard
<i>LTE-A</i>	-	LTE-Advanced
<i>LTE-A-Pro</i>	-	LTE-Advanced-Pro

$M$	-	Constellation Order
$M2M$	-	Machine to Machine
$MATLAB$	-	Matrix Lab Software
$M\text{-PSK}$	-	Phase Shift Keying
$M\text{-QAM}$	-	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation
$MSR$	-	Multiple Signal Representation
$n$	-	Discrete-Time Index
$N$	-	Number of Subcarriers
$n\text{-}l$	-	Number of The IFFT Stages in Lim's Method
$O$	-	Filter Length
$OFDM$	-	Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing
$OOBE$	-	Out-Of-Band Emission
$P/S$	-	Parallel to Serial Converter
$PAPR$	-	Peak-to-Average-Power Ratio
$PAPR_0$	-	Threshold Value
$PHY$	-	Physical Layer
$PM$	-	Number of Partitioning Methods
$PR\text{-}PTS$	-	Pseudo-Random Partitioning Scheme
$PRV$	-	Phase Rotation Vectors
$PSD$	-	Power Spectral Density
$PTS$	-	Partial Transmit Sequence
$pts$	-	Transformed Subblocks in The Time-Domain
$PTS\text{-}F\text{-}OFDM$	-	F-OFDM Based on The PTS Technique
$Q$	-	Number of Cyclic Iterations
$Q_n$	-	Cost Function
$r$	-	Roll-Off Factor
$RF$	-	Radio Frequency
$RRC$	-	Rooted Raised Cosine Window
$S/P$	-	Serial to Parallel Converter
$Sb\text{-}PTS$	-	Subsets Partitioning PTS Scheme

$SI$	-	Number of Side Information Bits
$SLM$	-	Selective Level Mapping
$SLM-CSS-PTS$	-	Combining SLM and Cyclically Shift Sequence PTS
$SNR$	-	Signal-to-Noise Ratio
$SS$	-	Number of Conjugated Subblocks
$SSCP$	-	Number of Special Subblocks Circular Permutation
$SS-PTS$	-	Sine Shape PTS Scheme
$T$	-	Total Time of The Symbol
$U$	-	Total Number of Phase Rotation Factors in SLM
$UTHM$	-	Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia
$V$	-	Number of Subblocks
$V2V$	-	Vehicle to Vehicle
$W$	-	Number of Allowed Phase Factors
$w(n)$	-	Windowing Mask Impulse Response
$WLAN$	-	Wireless Local Area Networks
$WMAN$	-	Wireless Metropolitan Area Networks
$W_N$	-	IFFT Matrix
$W_N$	-	Twiddle Factor
$WPAN$	-	Wireless Personal Area Networks
$WRAN$	-	Wireless Regional Area Networks
$X(k)$	-	OFDM Samples
$x(n)$	-	OFDM Time-Domain Samples
$x^{opt}$	-	Optimum OFDM Signal
$\alpha$	-	Determination Value
$\omega$	-	Channel Effect

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# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Research Background

Internet services and multimedia applications have extensively been utilized in recent times due to the rapid development of smart services, including smart machines, mobile computers, and smartphones. These applications and resources have emerged from an urgent need for everyday activities and lives. In addition, an exponential expansion of the mobile wireless communication networks imparted further impetus to necessitating the high-speed data rates, thus satisfying the market demands [1, 2]. Consequently, various techniques have been evolved to deal with the high-speed data transmission rates [3]. In this view, the cyclic prefix-orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (CP-OFDM) system can be regarded as a fundamental enabling technology for high-speed wireless communication [4].

Over the years, the wireless technology transformation from third-generation (3G) to fourth generation (4G) systems that mainly relies on the Cyclic Prefix – Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (CP-OFDM) scheme can be credited to the fundamental foundation for the waveform design in the 5<sup>th</sup> generation (5G) communication networks [5]. The CP-OFDM modulation technology has increasingly been gaining popularity in high-speed wireless communication environments because of its superior performance over other modulation techniques. The CP-OFDM modulation technology possesses high immunity against multipath fading [3], increased system capacity [4] [5] and efficient bandwidth utilization [6] [7]. Accordingly, diverse wireless communication systems have adopted the CP-OFDM design. Numerous studies have highlighted various limitations of the 4G communication network system in accomplishing the market demands [6], wherein



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