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TÍTULO: Low-Complexity Channel Equalization and Estimation for Mobile OFDM

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ABSTRACT:

Wireless communications are becoming an important part of everyday life. Think for instance about UMTS, WLANs, WiMAX, DAB, DVB, etc. Most of these systems have been designed assuming that the wireless channel can be regarded as constant over a block of data. Doppler shifts due to mobility, however, introduce channel time-variations, which become more pronounced as the carrier frequency increases, and basically violate the time-invariance assumption. Recently, several approaches have been proposed for the equalization and estimation of such time-varying effects in the context of orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM), which is a modulation scheme that appears in many wireless systems, such as WLANs, WiMAX, DAB, DVB, etc. Most of the proposed equalization algorithms for OFDM have a cubic or quadratic complexity in the number of subcarriers. In this talk, we present some low-complexity equalizers, which exploit the banded nature of the channel matrix in the frequency-domain. Those equalizers have a complexity that is only linear in the number of subcarriers. In addition, we try to boost the performance of those banded equalizers by designing a receiver window that is tailored to improve the banded assumption of the channel matrix in the frequency-domain. Next, in order to simplify channel estimation, we propose a low-order approximation of the time-varying channel using a so-called basis expansion model (BEM). Exploiting the structure of the BEM, the time-varying channel can easily be estimated based on only a few pilot symbols. The proposed ideas pave the way for the use of OFDM applications under high-Doppler conditions.

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