Performance Analysis of SACOCDMA-FSO System Using MD Codes

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Abstract

Performance of SACOCDMA-FSO system using MD codes at 10 Gbps is evaluated. MD code has become an area of interest in optical communication because of its ability to support many users at higher data rates, flexibility to select weight parameters. The proposed system was compared with SACOCDMA-FSO System employing RD codes in different conditions. The simulative results demonstrated that optical system based on MD codes is better than the system employing RD codes.

Keywords: Free space optics(FSO), Random Diagonal Codes (RD), Weather conditions, Transmit power levels, Bit Error Level, Transmission distance, Multi Diagonal Codes (MD)

1. Introduction

Free Space Optics has an edge over microwave and optical communication technology due to its high carrier frequency (of the order of THz) which allows it to absorb large number of users [1]. The underlying principle of Free Space Optical communication is a LASER driven technology in which at transmitter side LASER source along with telescope is used to transmit light through atmosphere and received by photo detector and telescope. Instead of transmitting light through silica fiber, light is made to propagate through air as it travels faster in atmosphere [2].FSO has been employed in various applications link i.e. building-building, aircraft-ground and satellite to ground links due to its enormous advantages like large capacity, quick installation, license-free long range spectrum at reduced cost [3].

In order to ensure enhanced security and asynchronous access OCDMA is first choice but it has major drawbacks i.e. MAI[4] caused due to other users and PIIN [5] which is similar to MAI and leads to expansion of spectrum beyond electrical bandwidth.SAC OCDMA System offers a better solution to minimize the effect of MAI and PIIN by employing fixed in phase cross-correlation codes [6].The Multi-Diagonal code is based on combination of diagonal matrix and has zero cross-correlation which nullifies the effect of MAI and PIIN. It provides maximum allowable BER at higher data rates with large number of users, ease of choosing the parameters i.e. code length, code weight, in-phase cross-correlation [7]. The combination of Multi-Diagonal code with Free Space optics is economical and has many advantages like enhanced security, minimum dispersion and narrow laser beam widths. In order to put these two ideas together many parameters are to be optimized such as transmitter and receiver apertures, diverging angle, attenuation (for clear, heavy rain, moderate fog and heavy haze) and operating wavelength.

The rest of the manuscript is organized as follows; Simulation setup of proposed system is described in next section. After it the results are discussed. Finally whole research paper is concluded in the end.

2. Simulation Setup

Figure.1 shows block diagram of proposed system with two users with help of MD codes. In this design continuous wave Laser is used at transmitter side according to the weight (*i.e.*, 2 in this case). The data is first multiplexed from CW laser and then modulated by the use of Mach Zehnder modulator. After it multiplexer is used to collect the signal from different users. Free Space Optical channel with divergence angle of 0.25 mrad, transmitter aperture of 10 cm and receiver aperture of 20 cm is used. The data rate at which the whole design simulates is 10 Gbps. At the receiver side Demultiplexer is employed to distribute the signal to intended receiver so that no interference between multiple users occurs. After it Fiber Bragg Grating used selects a wavelength to be transmitted further. Photo-Detector converts optical signal into electrical one whereas filtering action is provided by Low Pass Filter. Finally the results are visualized by BER analyzer [8]. BER analyzer provides information regarding Eye-height, Quality factor, Threshold, Bit Error Rate. Moreover Optical spectrum visualizers can be used at any point of the design to visualize the spectrum and can conclude changes occurred in signal during transmission in optical domain.

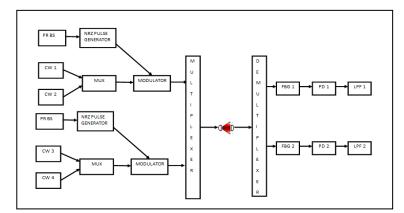


Figure 1. Block Diagram of SAC OCDMA-FSO System Using MD Codes

3. Results and Discussion

3.1. Performance of SACOCDMA-FSO System Using MD Codes in Different Weather

Simulations were carried out in OptiSystem version 11.0. Figure 2 shows BER performance of proposed system against transmission distance at 10 Gbps and transmit power level of 0dbm. It clearly explains the fact that BER increases with transmission distance in all weather conditions. It also clearly depicts that the proposed system performs well with clear weather and is unable to transmit the data at longer distances in heavy rain, moderate fog as the working of free space optical communication depends on the climatology and physical characteristics of location [9]. Eye diagram depicted in Figure.3 clearly concludes that h1>h2 where h1 and h2 are eye height obtained with clear weather and heavy rain respectively, next to them is the eye diagram with moderate fog in which eye width is minimum which means the data is affected by intersymbol interference..All the parameters value used during simulation is arranged in Table 1 presented below.

Parameters	Value
Operating wavelength region	1550nm
Signal Bit Rate	10Gbps
Transmitter aperture	10 cm
Receiver Aperture	20 cm
Beam Divergence	0.25 mrad
Attenuation	8.68dB/km (Heavy rain)
	1 dB/km (Clear weather)
	25.5dB/km(Moder ate Fog)

Table 1. List of Parameters Used During Simulation

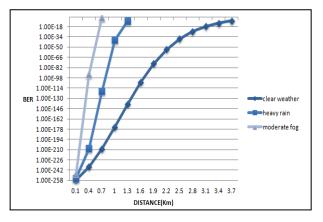


Figure 2. BER of SACOCDMA-FSO System Using MD Codes for Different Transmission Length in Different Weather Conditions

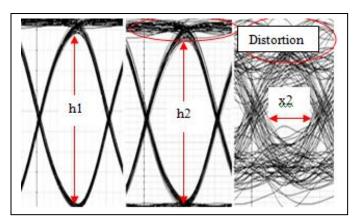
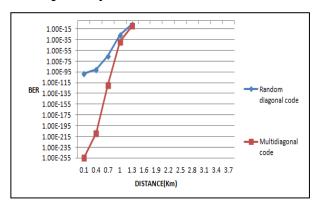


Figure 3. Eye Diagram of Proposed System with MD Codes at (a) Clear Weather (b) Heavy Rain (c) Moderate Fog

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3.2. Comparison of Proposed System with MD and RD Codes in Heavy Rain

Figure 4. BER of Compared Systems against Different Transmission Length in Heavy Rain

Figure 4 depicts the comparison of proposed system with that of RD codes in heavy rain. It was found that SACOCDMA-FSO system using MD codes was able to cover 3.7 km,1.3 km,0.62 km in clear weather, heavy rain, moderate fog respectively whereas 3.4 km,1.2 km,0.59 km in clear weather, heavy rain, moderate fog respectively with help of RD codes. So the results show that the transmission distance improves by 8.8%, 8.3%, and 5.08% in clear weather, heavy rain, and moderate fog respectively with help of MD codes [10].Figure.5 presents the eye diagram of compared system at 1.2 km in heavy rain. The proposed system with RD provides BER of ~10exp (-10) whereas with the help of MD BER of ~10exp (-35) was achieved. From the eye diagram (Figure 5) it is very much clear that in case of MD code the eye height is open wide which means that there will be least chance of loss of data i.e. minimal intersymbol interference whereas in the eye diagram obtained with RD code suffers from jitter and the best time required to sample the data without error is minimum. The ability to withstand noise is less as the eye is not open wide.

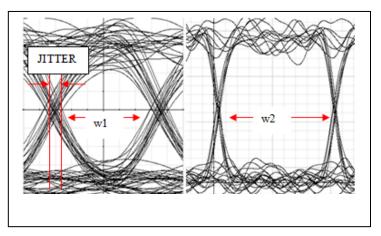


Figure 5. Eye Diagram of Proposed System with (a) RD Codes (b) MD Codes at 1.2 km

3.3. Comparison of Proposed System with MD and RD Codes at Different Power Levels

Figure 6 presents the BER performance evaluated with respect to distance with different values of transmit power for both systems. In heavy rain at -10 dbm proposed system covers 0.65 km, at 0 dbm signal travels upto1.3km and at 5dbm it covers 1.7 km.

It can be concluded through graphic analysis and results mentioned above that performance of system is better when transmit power is larger (5 dbm). As increasing transmit power levels increases SNR and helps the signal to withstand channel impairments *i.e.*, attenuation, environmental conditions [11]. The data transmitted using RD codes undergoes distortion due to the minimum transmitted power (as shown in Figure.7).

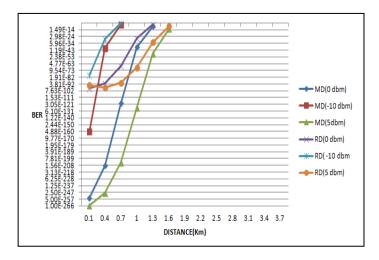


Figure 6. BER Performances of Both Systems against Distance at Different Values of Transmit Power

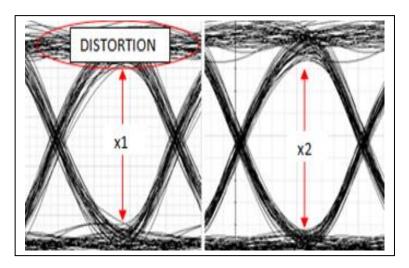


Figure 7. Eye Diagram of Proposed System with (a) RD Codes (b) MD Codes at -10dBm

3.4. Comparison of Proposed System with MD and RD Codes at Different Data Rates

Figure.8 depicts the BER performance against transmission distance at different data rates i.e. 2.5 Gbps and 10 Gbps for both MD and RD codes. The graphic analysis shows that system functions well at lower data rates (2.5 Gbps) because as data rates goes on increasing the pulse width decreases and it become difficult to differentiate between bit 1 and 0 which leads to dispersion [12-15]. The Noise Margin in case of RD is less than MD code (Noise Margin gives the idea of immunity to noise) shown in Figure 9.

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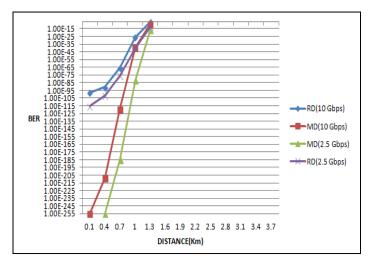


Figure 8. BER Performances of Both the Systems at Different Values of Data Rate

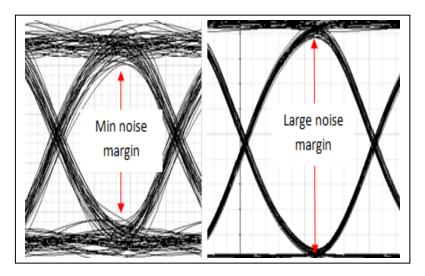


Figure 9. Eye Diagram of Proposed System with (a) RD Codes (b) MD Codes at 10 Gb/s

4. Conclusion

The paper successfully explored the performance of SACOCDMA-FSO system employing MD code and the comparative study of proposed system with that of RD code in different scenarios. It is perceptible that the proposed system presented in this paper is more efficient than the SACOCDMA-FSO system employing RD codes and the transmission distance improves by 8.8%, 8.3%, and 5.08% in clear weather, heavy rain, and moderate fog respectively with the applications of MD codes.

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