Design and Verification of BER in proposed MIMO Encoder using FPGA

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Abstract: These paper represent a generalization of Space-Time Codes from orthogonal designs. Particularly, we show in this work, that not only the Alamouti-scheme which was useful only for OSTBC for two transmit antennas, but also its generalized version achieves capacity in the case of one receive antenna. The drafted codes are then analyzed with respect to the bit error rate performance and the spectral efficiency with optimal as well as suboptimal receiver structures. In the second part of this work the combination of Space-Time Codes with conventional channel coding techniques is considered. New OSTBC is presented and the performance of Space-Time Codes with iterative algorithms for soft-input-soft-output-decoding is analyzed and optimized with the help of Xilinx Integrated Simulation Environment, the coding part is done in VHDL and the synthesis of work is been develop on Xilinx 12.2. the obtain results are been compared with base works and found better.

Keywords: OSTBC: Orthogonal Space Time Block Coding, MIMO: Multiple Input Multiple Output OFDM: Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing, QSTBC: Quasi Orthogonal STBC, ISI: Inter Symbol Interference, ICI: Inter Carrier Interference

I-INTRODUCTION

Orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) is a method of encoding digital data on multiple carrier frequencies. OFDM has developed into a popular scheme for wideband digital communication, used in applications such as digital television and audio broadcasting, DSL Internet access, wireless networks, power-line networks, and 4G mobile communications. Orthogonal frequency division multiplexing (OFDM) is considered as a one of the best modulation schemes in wireless communications. However, OFDM suffers from the sensitivity to frequency offset. This frequency offset introduces the problem of inter-carrier interference (ICI) in OFDM system.

Figure 1 OFDM system

Figure 1.1 above shows the OFDM system block diagram each module is explained below

Input data: It is original signal which is to be transmitted.
**Data symbol Generator:** This module will convert the input data signal into symbols it is serial to parallel converter.

**IFFT:** It convert frequency domain signal into time domain signal before signal transmission and encoding.

**STBC Encoder:** It encode the time domain signal symbols in such a way that this signal transmitted from different antennas at different time slot remains orthogonal to each other.

**QPSK Modulator:** This is a modulator which modulates the signals so it can transmit to a long distance.

**Noise:** In the wireless channel the noise may introduce because of many reasons with any strength this can be AWGN or random noise.

**QPSK Demodulator:** This is a demodulator which receive modulated signal and extract the encoded signal symbols out of it.

**STBC decoder:** This module decodes the encoded symbols and develops original signal symbols.

**FFT:** This converts time signal into frequency signals

**Data symbols combiner:** It is basically a parallel to serial converter which develop signal from signal symbols.

**BERT:** It is Bit Error Rate tester to check change in number of bits between transmitted signal and received signal.

In MIMO Inter Carrier Interference (ICI) happens between the parallel data on different channel and Inter Symbol Interference (ISI) happens between multiple symbols on single channel, this problem of MIMO can be handle by using OFDM, OFDM requires STBC coder for encoding the different symbols, STBC of OFDM tells us what symbol should be transfer from which antenna at which time slot. But achieving full orthogonality with full rate of communication is possible with Alamouti code only for 2x2 transmit and receive antenna till data. But if we use only two antennas it will transfer less data and if we go for more than two antennas achieving orthogonality with full rate is not possible by any available encoding technique, orthogonality for less than full rate is been achieved but for full rate not been achieved. So if we go for more than two antennas and consider full rate there will be problem of ICI and ISI will appear and this will cost significant enhancement in BER.

## II SPACE-TIME CODING SYSTEM

A typical communication system consists of a transmitter, a channel, and a receiver. Space-time coding involves use of multiple transmit and receive antennas, as illustrated in Fig. 2 Bits entering the space-time encoder serially are distributed to parallel sub-streams. Within each sub-stream, bits are mapped to signal waveforms, which are then emitted from the antenna corresponding to that sub-stream. The scheme used to map bits to signals is the called a space-time code. Signals transmitted simultaneously over each antenna interfere with each other as they propagate through the wireless channel. Meanwhile, the fading channel also distorts the signal waveforms. At the receiver, the distorted and superimposed waveforms detected by each receive antenna are used to estimate the original data bits.

Space-time coding is an effective approach to improve the reliability of data transmission as well as the data rates over multiple-input multiple-output (MIMO) fading wireless channels. In this thesis, space-time code designs are investigated with a view to address practical concerns such as decoding complexity and channel impairments. We study low-decoding complexity space-time block codes (STBC), a popular subclass of space-time codes, for quasi-static frequency-flat fading MIMO channels. Therefore, the space-time code matrices are designed to allow the separation of transmitted symbols into groups for decoding; we call these codes multi-group decodable STBC.

![Fig 2 A typical communication system utilizing space-time coding.](image-url)
### III-LITERATURE REVIEW

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Table 1 Literature survey

### IV-SIMULATION RESULT

Table 2 shows the obtain results it shows the number of slice uses as know the number of slice is area requirement and obtain 274 slice is very low as per already developed OFDM modules for BERT and also shows the no of flip flops. Figure below is the RTL view of the proposed work; this represents the logical connections of the proposed module. Figure 6 below id the RTL view of the proposed OFDM BERT, figure 7 and figure 8 below are the simulation results observed for the proposed work.

![Image of RTL view](image)

Table 2: Synthesis results
Figure 3: RTL view of the OFDM-BERT

Figure 4: Simulation of the proposed work OFDM-BERT
Figure 5: Simulation of the proposed work OFDM-BERT

V. CONCLUSION

We have designed space-time codes for MIMO and full OFDM system and its BERT tester systems considering the practical constraints such as decoding complexity and system imperfections. While reduction in decoding complexity leads to power and manufacturing cost savings, mitigating the system imperfections is necessary to prevent possible transmission errors. The necessary and sufficient conditions for low decoding complexity STBC are proposed for quasi-static frequency-flat MIMO fading channels. To achieve low complexity, we have developed multi-group decodable STBC. For a fixed number of transmitted symbols encoded in a code matrix, an increase in the number of groups leads to lower decoding complexity.

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