

PERFORMANCE MODELING OF ADAPTIVE MODULATION CODING
SCHEMES ON RAYLEIGH FADING CHANNELS

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ABSTRACT

Adaptive modulation coding schemes (MCSs) are important techniques in wireless data communication to minimize the bit-error-rate (BER) and maximize throughput. Usually, the adaptive system consists a few MCSs that will intelligently adapt to channel variation. At the receiver, the MCS transition is decided by link quality analysis and the result is sent to transmitter via acknowledgement data. Therefore, the system performance cannot rely on a single MCS. This research develops a methodology to estimate an adaptive MCS performance using Markov model. The model concerns type I Hybrid automatic repeat request (ARQ) system which is a combination of forward error control (FEC) and ARQ under the Rayleigh fading condition. The two-state Markov model performance estimation (MMPE-2) and four-state Markov model performance estimation (MMPE-4) are proposed, where the system performance are estimated based on packet error probability and level crossing probability of the Rayleigh fading condition. Performance comparison between estimation models and simulation using International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR) 520-2 channel model is made and the results shows that MMPE-4 are comparable for fade duration longer than the packet length. From the models, the analysis on traffic and acknowledgement data in term of bit BER and throughput can be done theoretically prior to any simulation and experiment. This can save a lot of time and the modification on the system can be done before proceeding for further evaluation or implementation. By using the estimation models as tools, several new adaptive MCSs are evaluated and the best adaptive system is proposed for high frequency data communication system.

ABSTRAK

Adaptif modulasi pengekodan (AMP) adalah teknik yang penting dalam komunikasi data tanpa wayar bagi meminimumkan kadar salah bit dan memaksimumkan perolehan data. Biasanya, sistem adaptif terdiri daripada beberapa AMP yang akan menyesuaikan sistem dengan variasi saluran. Pada penerima, peralihan antara AMP ditentukan berdasarkan analisis kualiti talian dan hasilnya dihantar kepada pemancar melalui maklum-balas data. Oleh itu, prestasi sistem tidak boleh diandaikan berdasarkan satu AMP sahaja. Penyelidikan telah membangunkan satu metodologi untuk menganggar prestasi adaptif AMP dengan menggunakan model Markov. Model yang dibangunkan memberi penekanan kepada Adaptif sistem automatik ulang semula Jenis 1 yang merupakan gabungan kawalan salah hadapan and automatik ulang semula di dalam keadaan pemudaran Rayleigh. Model Anggaran Prestasi Markov Dua Keadaan dan Model Anggaran Prestasi Markov Empat Keadaan telah dicadangkan dengan prestasi sistem dihitung berdasarkan kebarangkalian salah data dan kebarangkalian kadar tahap persimpangan bagi keadaan pemudaran Rayleigh. Perbandingan di antara model dan simulasi menggunakan Jawatankuasa Konsultif Radio Internasional 520-2 saluran model telah dilaksanakan dan keputusan menunjukkan Model Anggaran Prestasi Markov Empat Keadaan sama dengan simulasi untuk keadaan masa pemudaran lebih panjang daripada panjang data. Daripada model-model yang dibangunkan, analisis untuk trafik dan maklum-balas data dari segi kadar salah bit dan perolehan data dapat dilakukan secara teori sebelum ke peringkat simulasi atau eksperimen. Ini dapat menjimatkan masa dan pengubahsuaian pada sistem boleh dilaksanakan sebelum meneruskan penilaian rekabentuk ke peringkat seterusnya. Dengan menggunakan model sebagai alat pengukur, beberapa AMP yang baru telah dinilai dan adaptif sistem yang paling baik telah dicadangkan untuk sistem komunikasi data frekuensi tinggi.