

Coursework EE401: Advanced Comm. Theory
Part-A
“Multipath Spatiotemporal SIMO Wireless Comms”

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1 Aims

- The main objective of this assignment-study is to simulate a SIMO QPSK-DS-CDMA communication system and design space-time array receivers to handle multipaths, suppress MAI (multiple access interference) and improve the overall capacity of the system.

2 Equipment and Software

- PC (operating system Windows 10+ or Mac OS)
- MATLAB, Visual C++, Labview, or any other suitable language.
- Three digital photos (size: smaller than, or equal to, 160×112).
- The MATLAB functions given with AM1 experiment (to be downloaded).
- There are four task in this assignment and, for the 4th task, there is your personal data file that should be downloaded from the course-website.

3 Definitions

- $\mathcal{X} \triangleq$ alphabetical order of the 1st letter of your surname
- $\mathcal{Y} \triangleq$ alphabetical order of the 1st letter of your formal firstname.

4 Tasks

Task-1

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- With reference to Figure 1, consider three users with each user transmitting a digital photo, at the same time, on the same frequency band.

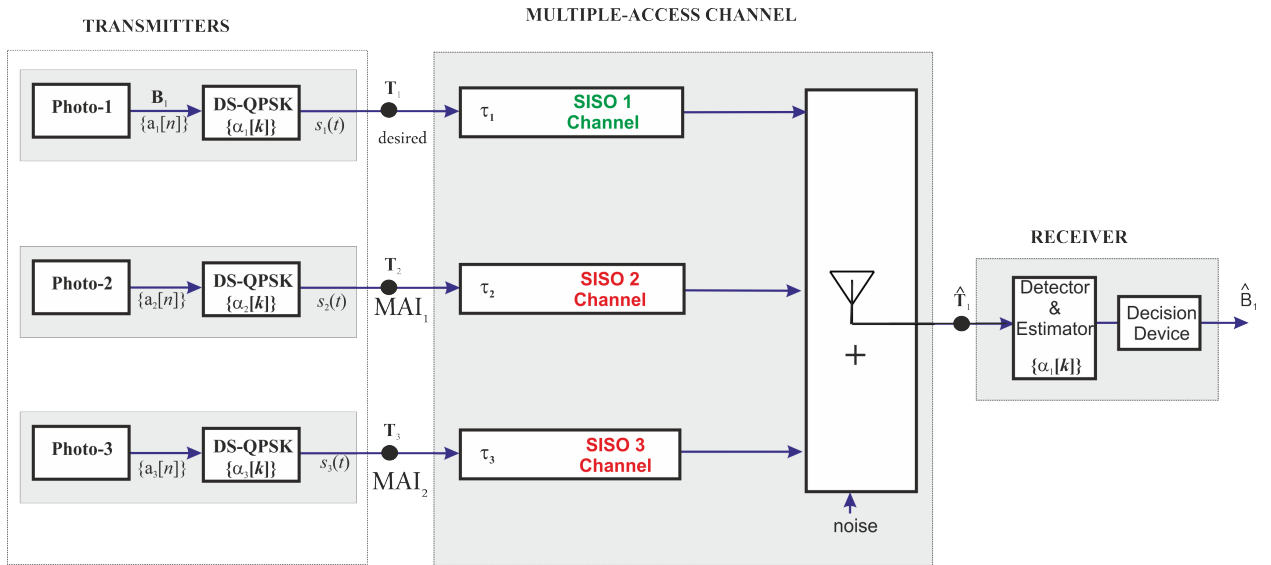


Figure 1: System Architecture for Tasks 1 and 2.

- **Modulation:** All three users use the same constellation diagram given in Figure 2, where the angle ϕ is given in degrees according to the following expression

$$\phi \triangleq \mathcal{X} + 2\mathcal{Y} \quad (1)$$

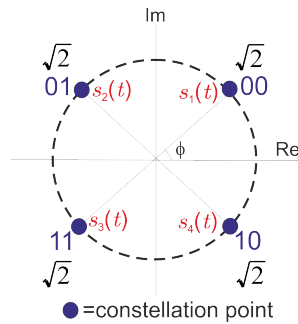


Figure 2: QPSK constellation diagram.

- **PN-codes:** The three PN-code sequences $\{\alpha_1[k]\}$, $\{\alpha_2[k]\}$ and $\{\alpha_3[k]\}$ are gold-sequences produced using the following two primitive polynomials:

1st polynomial (m-sequence)	2nd polynomial (m-sequence)
$D^4 + D + 1$	$D^4 + D^3 + 1$

The desired user's gold-sequence $\{\alpha_1[k]\}$ is produced by adding (modulo-2) a delayed version (d -bits) of the 2nd m-sequence to the 1st m-sequence where d is the smallest integer that:

- gives a "balanced" gold-sequence and
- satisfies the inequality:

$$d \geq 1 + (\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{Y}) \bmod 12 \quad (2)$$

The gold-sequences of the remaining two users $\{\alpha_2[k]\}$ and $\{\alpha_3[k]\}$ are produced with delays $d + 1$ and $d + 2$ respectively.

- **Channel:** the three transmitted signals $s_1(t)$, $s_2(t)$ and $s_3(t)$ arrive at the input of the receiver (point \hat{T}_1) according to the parameters given in Table-1. The point \hat{T}_1 is taken as the origin (0,0,0) of the 3-dim real space.

Table-1: Channel Parameters (there are no multipath effects)			
signal-paths arriving at the receiver	relative delay	fading coeff.	(azimuth, elevation) (θ, ϕ)
one path of $s_1(t)$	$(\tau_1 \bmod 15) = 5$	$\beta_1 = 0.4$	$(30^\circ, 0^\circ)$
one path of $s_2(t)$	$(\tau_2 \bmod 15) = 7$	$\beta_2 = 0.7$	$(90^\circ, 0^\circ)$
one path of $s_3(t)$	$(\tau_3 \bmod 15) = 12$	$\beta_3 = 0.2$	$(150^\circ, 0^\circ)$

- **Noise:** The noise at point \hat{T}_1 is assumed to be additive white Gaussian noise of zero mean and power
 - 0dB, and
 - 40dB

below the power level of the desired signal at point \hat{T}_1 .

Task-1a: Using the above description, simulate the system up to the receiver's input (point \hat{T}_1). No MATLAB builtin functions should be used for generating noise and modulation/demodulation.

Task-1b: Considering all the channel parameters unknown, design a receiver to receive "photo-1" (i.e. $\{a_1[n]\}$) and remove the other 2 signals as unwanted multiple-access interference (MAI). Make a comparison at different levels of noise (0dB and 40dB)

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Task-2

- As in Task-1 but replacing the channel described by Table-1 with the multipath channel of Table 2 where the desired user's signal is received at point \hat{T}_1 via three paths (multipaths).

Table-2: Channel Parameters (with multipath effects)			
signals arriving at the Receiver	relative delay in T_c	fading coeff.	(azimuth, elevation) (θ, ϕ)
1st path of $s_1(t)$	$(\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{Y}) \bmod 4$	$\beta_{11} = 0.8$	$(30^\circ, 0^\circ)$
2nd path of $s_1(t)$	$4 + (\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{Y}) \bmod 5$	$\beta_{12} = 0.4 \exp(-j40^\circ)$	$(45^\circ, 0^\circ)$
3rd path of $s_1(t)$	$9 + (\mathcal{X} + \mathcal{Y}) \bmod 6$	$\beta_{13} = 0.8 \exp(+j80^\circ)$	$(20^\circ, 0^\circ)$
$s_2(t)$	8	$\beta_2 = 0.5$	$(80^\circ, 0^\circ)$
$s_3(t)$	13	$\beta_3 = 0.2$	$(150^\circ, 0^\circ)$

Design the best receiver for this environment. Note: the fading coefficients may be assumed known.

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Task-3

- As in Task-1 but by employing at point \hat{T}_1 (see Figure 3) a uniform circular array of 5 isotropic elements (antennas) with half-wavelength inter-antenna spacing (1st element: 30° anticlockwise with respect to the x-axis). Design the best possible receiver for this environment.

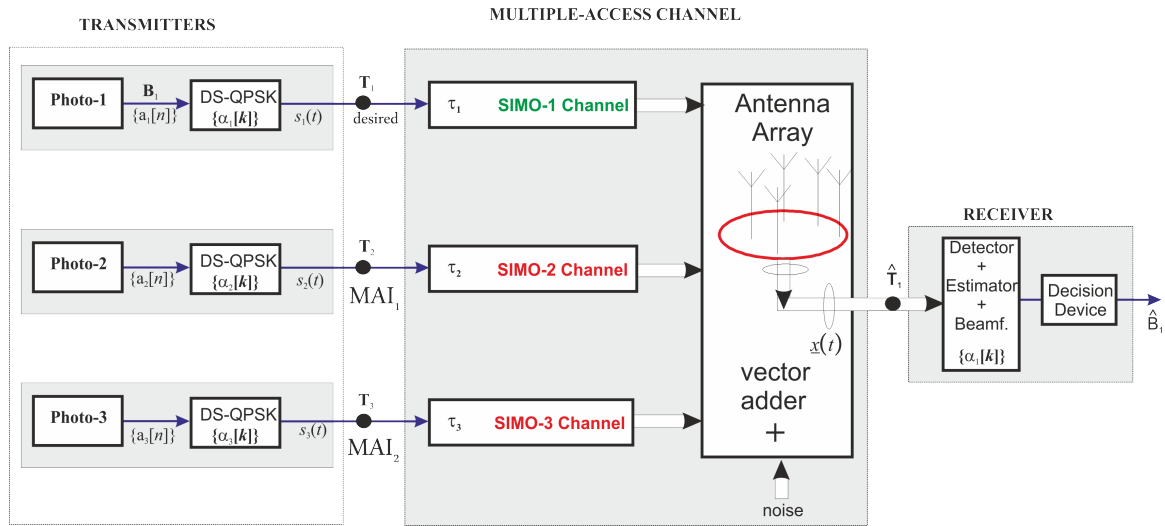


Figure 3: System Architecture for Task-3

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Task-4

- Personal data file:** For this task please download your personal data file from

<http://skynet.ee.imperial.ac.uk/notes/notes.html>

- PN-codes:** With reference to Figure 4, each of the three users is transmitting a text message of sixty 8-bit characters. The desired-user uses a gold-sequence $\{\alpha_1[k]\}$ that is generated based on the following two primitive polynomials:

	1st polynomial (m-sequence)	2nd polynomial (m-sequence)
1st user:	$D^5 + D^2 + 1$	$D^5 + D^3 + D^2 + D + 1$

by adding (modulo-2) a delayed version (d -bits) of the 2nd m-sequence to the 1st m-sequence where

$$d \triangleq \text{the parameter "phase_shift" in your personal file} \quad (3)$$

No information is provided about the PN-codes of the other two users.

Modulation: The desired user uses the constellation diagram shown in Figure 2, where the angle ϕ is given in degrees by the parameter "phi_mod". That is

$$\phi \triangleq \text{"phi_mod" in your personal file} \quad (4)$$

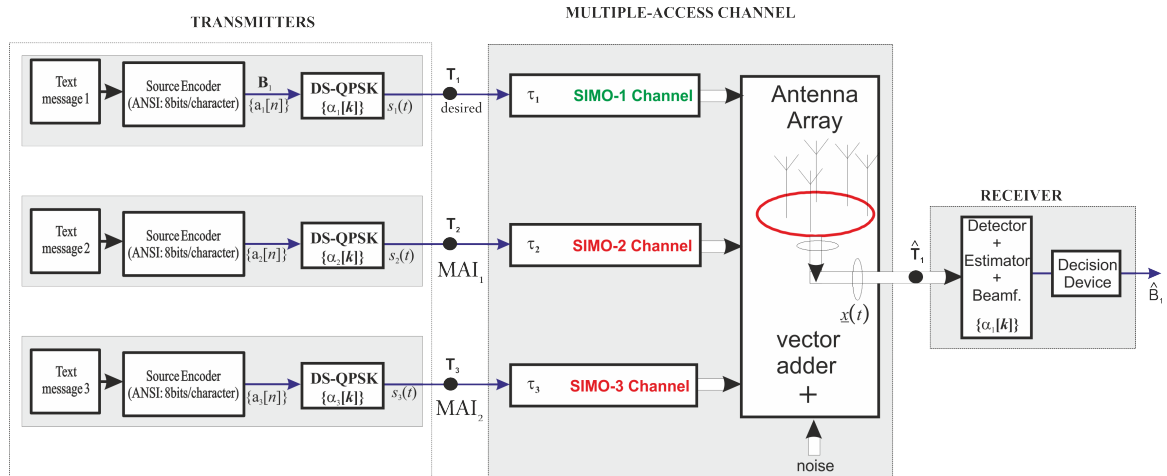


Figure 4: System Architecture for Task-4

- **Channel:** The channel parameters are unknown to the receiver - except the fading coefficients of the multipaths of the desired user $\beta_{1,1}$, $\beta_{1,2}$ and $\beta_{1,3}$ which have been already estimated using another approach. These are given by the elements of the (3×1) complex vector "Beta_1" in your personal file,

i.e.

$$[\beta_{1,1}, \beta_{1,2}, \beta_{1,3}]^T = \text{"Beta_1"} \text{ in your personal file} \quad (5)$$

- **Channel output:** The complex received array signal-vector $\underline{x}(t)$ at output of the antenna array is given in your personal data file by the parameter "Xmatrix". That is, it is given in the form of L snapshots (i.e. the vectors $\underline{x}(t_\ell)$ for $\ell = 1, 2, 3, \dots, L$) forming the matrix $\mathbb{X} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times L}$, where N is the number of array elements, i.e.

$$\mathbb{X} = \text{"Xmatrix"} \text{ in your personal file} \quad (6)$$

Note that the system is asynchronous with unknown time delays with respect to the receiver's clock.

Task-4a: Estimate the various channel parameters associated with the desired user's paths.

Task-4b: Design a receiver (preferably a spatiotemporal beamformer) to receive the 60-character desired text-message.

5 Deliverable

- MATLAB/C file(s) - with brief comments. That is four MATLAB script files (one per task) where the system parameters are defined and a number of MATLAB functions (with comments) are called.
- A pdf file with the results of the above four tasks (photos/messages) supported by 2-5 lines of some brief comments per task.

- Comments, if any, of how to run the programs to observe the results of the four tasks.
- A user interface may be useful - but not essential.
- Please upload a zip file (including all the files) named by your login name (eg. kl209.zip)

6 Some Notes

1. The messages are first modulated using QPSK, then spread by the gold sequences.
2. The PN-codes are generated by setting the initial state of the shift register be all ones (i.e. [1 1 1 1 1]);
3. The Xmatrix in your "mat" file contains the received signals which has the form:

$$[\underline{x}(1), \underline{x}(2), \dots, \underline{x}(L)] \quad (N \times L \text{ matrix})$$

in which $\underline{x}(i), i = 1, \dots, L$ is a $N \times 1$ vector. Note that $\underline{x}(1)$ is the first snapshot of the signal-vector received and $\underline{x}(L)$ is the last snapshot of the signal-vector received.

4. Please download and use the "Matlab Wrappers" from

<http://skynet.ee.imperial.ac.uk/notes/notes.html>

7 References

- [1] Lecture Notes on Advanced Communication Theory
- [2] your own references.