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# Channel Models and Performance Metrics for IEEE 802.16j Relay Task Group

# 1 Introduction

This contribution proposes the channel models and performance metrics to be used in IEEE 802.16j Mobile Multihop Relay Task Group for performance evaluation in urban environment. Models for other environments may be updated in later versions. In addition to typical None Line-Of-Sight (NLOS) channel models found in IEEE 802.16e framework, this contribution also considers Line-Of-Sight (LOS) channel models for the link between base station and relay station, as well as between two relay stations. These models are mainly referenced from [1], [4], and [5].

# 2 Classification of Propagation Scenarios

The channel models proposed in this contribution are classified by different propagation scenarios, and each of them is defined by LOS or NLOS condition and the type of each hop. The terminologies of BS (Base Station), RS (Relay Station), MS (Mobile Station) and others are based on the definition in IEEE 802.16j Cxxxxx "Definition of terminology used in Mobile Multihop Relay" [6]. We consider both the LOS and NLOS variations for the links in BS RS, BS MS, RS RS, and RS MS scenarios. Note that the model for "BS MS, LOS" scenario is not considered here due to the fact that the possibility of having LOS condition between BS and MS in urban environment is very low. It should be considered in future contributions with non-urban environment.

## 2.1 BS $\leftrightarrow$ RS, LOS

This scenario is represented by Figure 1, where BS and RS are both deployed above the rooftop and have LOS transmission.



Figure. 1 LOS transmission between BS and RS

# **2.2 BS** $\leftrightarrow$ **RS**, **NLOS**

This scenario is shown in Figure 2, where BS is deployed above rooftop and RS is below rooftop.



Figure. 2 NLOS transmission between BS and RS

## 2.3 BS $\leftrightarrow$ MS, LOS

This scenario is neglected in urban environment. The possibility to have LOS condition between BS and MS in urban environment is very low. The reason to neglect this scenario is according to the suggestion in reference [1]. The probability to have LOS condition for the link between BS $\leftrightarrow$ MS is suggested in [1] to be zero. The interpretation is that the occasional gain from LOS condition in BS $\leftrightarrow$ MS is included in log-normal shadow fading in NLOS environment with corresponding low probability.

## 2.4 BS $\leftrightarrow$ MS, NLOS

This scenario is almost the same as the scenario 2.2 "BS RS, NLOS", except the height of MS is different from RS.



Figure. 3 NLOS transmission between BS and MS

### 2.5 RS $\leftrightarrow$ RS, LOS

This scenario is shown in Figure 4, which is the same as scenario 2.1 "BS RS, LOS". Both RSs are deployed above rooftop.



Figure. 4 LOS transmission between RS and RS

## $\textbf{2.6} \qquad \textbf{RS} \leftrightarrow \textbf{RS}, \textbf{NLOS}$

This scenario is the same as scenario 2.2 "BS RS, NLOS", where one RS is deployed above rooftop and another one is deployed below rooftop. The example is shown in Figure 5.



Figure. 5 NLOS transmission between RS and RS

### $\textbf{2.7} \quad \textbf{RS} \leftrightarrow \textbf{MS}, \, \textbf{LOS}$

This scenario is shown in Figure 6, where the RS is deployed below rooftop and MS height is considered as 1.5m.



Figure. 6 LOS transmission between RS and MS

## 2.8 RS $\leftrightarrow$ MS, NLOS

This scenario is shown in Figure 7, where the RS is either deployed above or below rooftop and MS height is assumed to be 1.5m.



Figure. 7 NLOS transmission between RS and MS

# 3 Channel Model for each Propagation Scenarios

The channel model for each scenario is characterized by four parts: pathloss, shadow fading, multi-path fading and antenna pattern.

### 3.1 Pathloss Models

Table 1 Pathloss Models [1]

Scenario	Pathloss Model	Note

2.1 BS RS, LOS 2.5 RS RS, LOS	$Pathloss(d)[dB] = 42.5 + 23.5 \log_{10}(d) + 20 \log_{10} \frac{f_c}{5}$	d is the distance in meter between transmitter and receiver $f_c$ is the carrier frequency in GHz
2.2 BS RS, NLOS 2.4 BS MS, NLOS 2.6 RS RS, NLOS	$Pathloss(d)[dB] = 38.4 + 35 \log_{10}(d) + 20 \log_{10} \frac{f_c}{5} - 0.7 h_m$	$h_m$ is the height (meter) of the RS below rooftop for scenario 2.2 and 2.6. $h_m = 1.5$ for scenario 2.4.
2.7 RS MS, LOS	$Pathloss(d)[dB] = 41 + 22.7 \log_{10}(d) + 20 \log_{10} \frac{f_c}{5}$	
2.8	$Pathloss(d_1, d_2)[dB] = 65 + 0.096 d_1$	$d_1$ and $d_2$ are the
RS MS, NLOS	+ $(28 - 0.024 \ d_1) \ \log_{10}(d_2) + 20 \ \log_{10} \frac{f_c}{5}$	distances along main street and perpendicular street respectively. (see Figure 8)

Note 1: The parameters of the channel models above assume a certain baseline carrier frequency  $f_{baseline}$  (in above table,  $f_{baseline}$  is 5GHz). To use the channel model in other carrier frequency  $f_c$ , a factor  $20 \cdot \log_{10}(f_c/f_{baseline})$  is introduced to represent the pathloss difference in dB.

Note 2:  $f_{baseline}$  was originally considered as 2.5GHz for scenario 2.1 and 2.5 in [1]. The  $f_{baseline}$  is modified to be 5GHz for the consistency with other pathloss equations.



Figure. 8 Street layout for scenario 2.8

Log-normal shadow fading model with correlation [2] is considered in this contribution, which has different parameter for each scenario. De-correlation distances associated with shadow fading are of the same order as the size of the objects causing the fading. The de-correlation distance is considered to be 20m [3].

Scenario	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8
	BS RS LOS	BS RS NLOS	BS MS NLOS	RS RS LOS	RS RS NLOS	RS MS LOS	RS MS NLOS
Standard deviation of log- normal shadow fading (S)	3.4dB	8dB	8dB	3.4dB	8dB	2.3dB	3.1dB

## Table 2 Shadow Fading Models [2]

Informative Note: The shadow fading in LOS scenarios represents the different level of first Fresnel zone clearance.

## 3.3 Multi-path Fading Models

## 3.3.1 WINNER Multi-path Fading Model

Multi-path fading is the result of interference between two or more versions of a transmitted signal arriving at a receiver. Due to the nature of electromagnetic (EM) wave propagation, a single transmission from a wireless device will often encounter 'reflective' objects resulting in multiple versions of the transmitted waveform that are attenuated, phase shifted and delayed in time. The clustered delay line model was originally introduced in [1], which means the fading within each tap is generated by sum of sinusoids, i.e. the rays within the cluster of that tap. It composes a number of separate delayed clusters, and each of them has a number of multipath components (rays) that have the same known delay values but differ in angles of departure and arrival. However, we only introduce the corresponding tapped delay line model in this version. The detail parameters and description on cluster delay line model can be found in [1].

The parameters for each propagation scenario are shown in following tables.

Tap index	Delay [ns]	Power [dB]	AoD [ ]	AoA [ ]	K-factor [dB]
1	0	-0.39	0.0	0.0	21.8
2	10	-20.6	0.9	0.2	
3	20	-26.8	0.3	1.5	
4	50	-24.2	-0.3	2.0	
5	90	-15.3	3.9	0.0	
6	95	-20.5	-0.8	3.6	
7	100	-28.0	4.2	-0.7	
8	180	-18.8	-1.0	4.0	-
9	205	-21.6	5.5	-2.0	
10	260	-19.9	7.6	-4.1	

### Table 3 Tapped Delay-Line Model for Scenario 2.1 (BS RS, LOS) and 2.5 (RS RS, LOS)

# Table 4 Tapped Delay-Line Model for Scenario 2.2 (BS RS, NLOS), 2.4 (RS MS, NLOS), and 2.6 (RS RS, NLOS)

Tap index	Delay [ns]	Power [dB]	AoD [ ]	AoA [ ]	K-factor [dB]

1	0	-0.5	0	0
2	5	0.0	4	4
3	135	-3.4	-3	7
4	160	-2.8	-4	10
5	215	-4.6	-7	21
6	260	-0.9	8	-45
7	385	-6.7	10	-75
8	400	-4.5	17	65
9	530	-9.0	-8	160
10	540	-7.8	-8	155
11	650	-7.4	-4	88
12	670	-8.4	-7	80
13	720	-11.0	-9	-90
14	750	-9.0	-9	-105
15	800	-5.1	12	8
16	945	-6.7	-17	45
17	1035	-12.1	19	50
18	1185	-13.2	12	-15
19	1390	-13.7	19	-25
20	1470	-19.8	21	100

# Table 5 Tapped Delay-Line Model for scenario 2.7 (RS MS, LOS)

Tap index	Delay [ns]	Power [dB]	AoD [ ]	AoA [ ]	K-factor [dB]
1	0	0	0	0	16
2	10	-1.2	-22	-10	9
3	30	-4.4	-12	20	3
4	45	-8.4	-2	-123	
5	65	-13.0	10	-31	_
6	85	-15.1	-4	161	
7	105	-16.1	8	-7	

# Table 6 Tapped Delay-Line Model for scenario 2.8 (RS MS, NLOS)

Tap index	Delay [ns]	Power [dB]	AoD [ ]	AoA [ ]	K-factor [dB]
1	0	-1.25	4	0	9
2	10	0	40	25	6
3	40	-0.38	-10	29	
4	60	-0.10	48	-31	
5	85	-0.73	-36	37	
6	110	-0.63	-40	21	
7	135	-1.78	-26	13	
8	165	-4.07	-28	117	
9	190	-5.12	-12	21	
10	220	-6.34	-14	1	
11	245	-7.35	14	15	
12	270	-8.86	8	9	
13	300	-10.1	-24	19	
14	325	-10.5	-14	1	
15	350	-11.3	-22	-13	-
16	375	-12.6	2	11	
17	405	-13.9	8	-1	
18	430	-14.1	-2	43	
19	460	-15.3	-10	33	
20	485	-16.3	-54	-19	

## 3.3.1.1 Doppler Spectrum

The Doppler spectrum has not been well addressed in [1], therefore, the following approximation is considered in this contribution.

$$S(f) = \prod_{0}^{1-1.72} \int_{0}^{2} + 0.785 f_{0}^{4} |f_{0}| |1$$
 where  $f_{0} = \frac{f}{f_{M}}$  and  $f_{M}$  is the maximum Doppler

frequency.

Details on how to implement a Doppler spectrum can be found in Appendix B of [5].

## 3.3.2 ITU Multi-path Fading Model

The ITU models are designed for micro-cellular deployment which is similar to the RS to MS propagation environment. Table 7 shows the parameters used to describe the 6-tap channel model. For details regarding how to interpret and use these parameters, refer to [4] for details.

Indoor Office Environment					
	Channel A (Model No. 1)		Channel B (Model No. 2)		Dennier
Тар	Relative Delay (ns)	Average power (dB)	Relative Delay (ns)	Average power (dB)	Spectrum
1	0	0	0	0	Flat
2	50	-3.0	100	-3.6	"
3	110	-10.0	200	-7.2	"
4	170	-18.0	300	-10.8	"
5	290	-26.0	500	-18.0	"
6	310	-32	700	-25.2	"

Outdoor to Indoor and Pedestrian Environment					
	Channel A (Model No. 3)		Channel B (Model No. 4)		Dennler
Тар	Relative Delay (ns)	Average power (dB)	Relative Delay (ns)	Average power (dB)	Spectrum
1	0	0	0	0	Classic
2	110	-9.7	200	-0.9	"
3	190	-19.2	800	-4.9	"
4	410	-22.8	1200	-8.0	"
5	-	-	2300	-7.8	**
6	-	-	3700	-23.9	"

Vehicular Environment (High Antenna)

	Channel A (Model No. 5)		Channel B (Model No. 6)		Depelor
Тар	Relative Delay (ns)	Average power (dB)	Relative Delay (ns)	Average power (dB)	Spectrum
1	0	0	0	-2.5	Classic
2	310	-1.0	300	0	"
3	710	-9.0	8,900	-12.8	"
4	1,090	-10.0	12,900	-10.0	"
5	1,730	-15.0	17,100	-25.2	"
6	2,510	-20.0	20,000	-16.0	"

### 3.3.2.1 ITU Doppler Spectrum

The classical Doppler spectrum can be described as:

$$S(f) = rac{1}{f_D \sqrt{1 - (f/f_M)^2}}$$
 where  $f_{\rm M}$  is the maximum Doppler frequency.

The flat Doppler spectrum can be described as:

$$S(f) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & |f_0| & 1 \\ 0 & |f_0| & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } f_0 = \frac{f}{f_M}$$

Again, for details on how to simulate the ITU channels with Doppler Effect, refer to Appendix B of [5].

### 3.4 Channel Coherence Bandwidth and Time

Coherent bandwidth  $B_c$  is a statistical measure of the range of frequencies over which the channel can be considered flat, and describes the similarity of the frequency response at different frequencies across this bandwidth. We consider the more relaxed definition of a coherent bandwidth with frequency correlation function above 0.5 and  $B_c$  1/ (5 rms worst case delay spread). The worst case rms delay spread as shown in SUI and ITU channel models above is s and  $B_c$  10 *KHz*. This means that for delay spread values up to 20 s, multi-path fading exhibits a flat fading over a 10*KHz* subcarrier bandwidth. This is inline with current 802.16e scalable OFDMA subcarrier frequency spacing of 11.16*KHz*.

Channel coherence time  $T_c$  is the time over which the channel may be considered coherent. The definition of coherence time implies that two signals arriving with a time separation greater than  $B_c$  are affected differently by the channel. Coherence time and Doppler spread are inversely proportional to each other. The inverse of the channel coherence time  $T_c$  is the channel update rate required for proper channel estimation and equalization, which can be calculated [7] in the following Equation:

$$T_C = \frac{9}{16 \qquad f_M}$$

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For example, a mobile with maximum speed V of 125km/hr (= 34.72m/s) has a Doppler shift  $f_M = V/ = 34.72$ m/s/( $3 \times 10^8/3.5$ GHz) = 34.72/0.0857 = 405Hz. Note that is calculated assuming the operating frequency of 3.5GHz. Coherence time is then calculated using above equation to be 0.442ms.

Beside BS, a RS is anticipated to perform channel estimation for the link RS  $\leftrightarrow$  RS and RS  $\leftrightarrow$  MS.

### 3.5 Antenna Pattern

For omni-directional antenna, the antenna gain should be 0 dBi for each direction. The antenna pattern specified by [4] should be applied:

$$A(\mathbf{q}) = -\min 12 \left( \frac{\mathbf{q}}{\mathbf{q}_{3dB}} \right)^2, A_m \quad dBi$$

where

 $-180^{\circ} < q = 180^{\circ};$ 

**q** is the angle between the direction of interest and the steering direction of the antenna;

 $_{3db}$  = 70° is the 3 dB beam width for 3 sector antenna, 35° for 6 sector antenna; a 90° 3dB beam width one can also be used.

 $A_m$  = 20dB maximum attenuation (front-to-back ratio) for 3 sector antenna, 23dB for 6 sector antenna.

# 4 **Performance Metrics and Presentation**

If we all use the same channel models, traffic models, PHY abstraction models, we shall be able to use the generated simulation/analysis results and compare among ourselves to choose the optimal proposal for IEEE 802.16j standard. To facilitate this comparison process, we propose the following:

Performance metrics which are a group of measurable key performance indicators that can be used to evaluate the system performance at both the MAC and PHY layers

Presentation of performance metrics that is to evaluate and compare different designs

### 4.1 **Performance Metrics**

To evaluate the various MAC and PHY design proposals for Relay, the following performance metrics shall be collected:

- Over the air (OTA) throughput (= frame rate/number of transmissions) which is unaffected by time between retransmission
- Packet delay: delay between the time a packet enters queue at transmitter and the time it is received successively at the receiver over an 802.16e/j air interface
- Throughput for various QoS classes per BS, per RS, per MS, per connection CID, per TCP connection
- Throughput outage: percentage of users with averaged user packet call throughput less than some minimum requirement data rate *R<sub>min</sub>*, for example 32 kbps

 Packet call throughput which is the total bits per packet call divided by total packet call duration, specifically

Packet Call Throughput = 
$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\text{bits in packet call k}}{(t_{end\_k} - t_{arrival\_k})}$$

• Sector throughput: total good bits transmitted from transmitter(s) to receiver(s) per second per sector

Sector Throughput = 
$$\frac{\text{good bits in } [0,T]}{T}$$

- BS Duty Factor (Utilization): percentage of time that the BS is actively transmitting (DL) or receiving (UL)
- RS Duty Factor (Utilization): percentage of time that the RS is actively transmitting (DL) or receiving (MMR Link)
- Delay per packet, per connection, per application (e.g. file transfer time)

•Fixed Delay: switching, transmission, propagation, etc.

•Variable Delay: buffering, ARQ retransmission, etc.

- Jitter per application which refers to the delay variation
- Overhead ratio of CTRL overhead to data traffic
- Effective spectral efficiency per sector (site), normalized by the downlink/uplink ratio of TDD system.

Sector Spectral Efficiency (SE) = 
$$\frac{\text{Sector Throughput}}{\text{Total Sector BW } \%(\text{DL/UL}) \text{ Split}}$$

and

Site Spectral Efficiency (SE) =  $\frac{\# \text{Sectors/Site} \quad \text{Sector Throughput}}{\text{Total Site BW} \quad \%(\text{DL/UL}) \text{ Split}}$ 

- Fairness among MS/SS and among RS for various scheduling algorithms
  - The scheduler parameter should be chosen such that the following fairness criteria is satisfied

### Table 8. Normalized user packet call throughput fairness criterion

Normalized	CDF
Throughput w.r.t	
average user	
throughput	
0.1	0.1
0.2	0.2
0.5	0.5

- Route discovery/recovery time when evaluating routing algorithms
- Dropped calls due to unsuccessful handover, sleep and idle modes
- Packet loss rate: number of dropped packets/number of packets sent per user. Packet loss rate per distance, per sector, and per site can be calculated from this per user packet loss rate number

Figure 9 illustrates some of the key performance metrics.



Figure. 9 Key Performance Metrics Illustration

# 4.2 **Presentation of Performance Metrics**

Proper interpretation of the collected performance metrics enables ease of understanding. It also allows quick understanding of both the advantages and disadvantages of various proposed designs. Hence, we propose the following metric presentations:

CDF of user packet call delay for delay sensitive traffics (such as VoIP and video streaming)



Figure 10 CDF of user packet delay (Example)







CDF of normalized user packet call throughput with fairness criterion





Figure 12 CDF of normalized user packet call throughput with fairness criterion (Example)CDF of user packet call throughput

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Figure 13 CDF of user packet call throughput (Example)

Throughput vs. distance plots





System load vs outage



Figure 15 System load vs outage (Example)

These presentations will allow one to properly evaluate overall PHY/MAC layer performance in various 802.16j Relay proposals.

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