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Re: [Response to Call for Proposals] **Abstract**:[DecaWave PHY Proposal]

Purpose:[Introduce IEEE 802.15.4f TG meeting attendees to DecaWave's proposal for a PHY for 802.15.4f active RFID]

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Proposal for 802.15.4f

•Use UWB PHY from 802.15.4a as the PHY layer for 802.15.4f

•Add an informative annex to describe how 15.4 supports RFID applications

•How the mandatory 64 bit ID is signalled

- •How the optional additional ID is signalled
- •How optional sensor + other user Data is signalled

•Instead of 8GHz mandatory high band make *either* 6.5GHz *or* 8GHz mandatory for high band modes, depending on national availability.

•Incorporate known 802.15.4a errata (15-07-0666-01-004a-802-15-4a-2007-errata-DRAFT.doc)

•Add new one-way messaging capability to the MAC or clarify how the existing MAC can be used for this.

Summary of 802.15.4a- UWB

- Ultra-Wideband alternative PHY for 802.15.4
- •Advantages vis-à-vis 15.4:
 - Lower power
 - •Better multipath immunity
 - •Precision RTLS capable
 - •High Data rates

•Allows shorter packets, higher tag density, even lower power

Bitrates

•110kbps, 850kbps, 6.8Mbps, 27Mbps

•Pulse Repetition Frequencies •4MHz, 15.6MHz, 62.4MHz

Modulation scheme

•Burst position modulation with BPSK

•FEC Scheme

- •Systematic Convolutional Code
- •Reed Solomon code

Summary of 802.15.4a- UWB cont.

- Ideal channel sounding preamble
 - Periodic autocorrelation is an impulse or kronecker delta function
- Bandwidth
 - 500MHz, 1100MHz or 1300MHz
- •Channels
 - •15 channels from 3GHz to 10GHz
- Designed to be usable for one-way or two way ranging
- Complexity choice for receiver • coherent or non-coherent demodulation • FEC can be ignored by receiver • 802.15.4a convolutional code is very simple • DecaWave Viterbi decoder is only 3k gates

•Complexity choice for transmitter. Either:

- •Pseudo Random Burst of Bipolar Pulses •Allows Coherent Decode
- •Spurge of Energy whose position is determined by data (C.O.O.K.) •Only Non-coherent Decode

Coherent Link Margin and Range

Parameter		802.15.4a	
Throughput	110 kb/s	850 kb/s	6800 kb/s
Bandwidth	1300 MHz	500 MHz	1300 MHz
Spectral Density (dBm/MHz)	-41.3 dBm/MHz	-41.3 dBm/MHz	-41.3 dBm/MHz
Average Tx power, P _{T (Taking backoff into account)}	-10.2 dBm	-14.3 dBm	-10.2 dBm
Tx antenna gain, G _R	0 dBi	0 dBi	0 dB
Geometric center frequency $\sqrt{f_{min}}$.f _{max}	3992 MHz	3992 MHz	3992 MH
Path loss at 1 meter. $L_1 = 20 \log_{10} (4\pi f_c/c)$	44.5 dB	44.5 dB	44.5 dE
Additional Path loss at $d = L_2 = 10\log_{10}(d^2)$	53.0 dB	39.9 dB	35.0 dE
Rx antenna gain, G_R	0 dBi	0 dBi	0 dB
Rx Power at 1 metre	-55 dBm	-59 dBm	-54.6 dBn
Rx Power P_R at Max Distance	-108 dBm	-99 dBm	-90 dBn
Rx Noise Power	-76.9 dBm	-81.0 dBm	-76.9 dBn
Antenna noise power per bit	-123.6 dBm	-114.7 dBm	-105.7 dBn
Rx Noise Figure Referred to the Antenna N_F	6 dB	6 dB	6 dE
A/D in noise power per bit, P_N	-118 dBm	-109 dBm	-100 dBn
Minimum $E_{b}/N_{0}(S)$	6 dB	6 dB	6 dE
Implementation Loss	4 dB	4 dB	4 dE
Tx backoff (Tx spectrum not flat, Power level not ideal	0 dB	0 dB	0 dE
Fading Loss	2 dB	2 dB	2 dE
Min. Rx Sensitivity Level	-108 dBm	-99 dBm	-90 dBn
SNR	-31 dB	-18 dB	-13 dE
LOS Distance	445 m	99 m	57 m
Indoor NLOS Distance	40 m	21 m	17 m

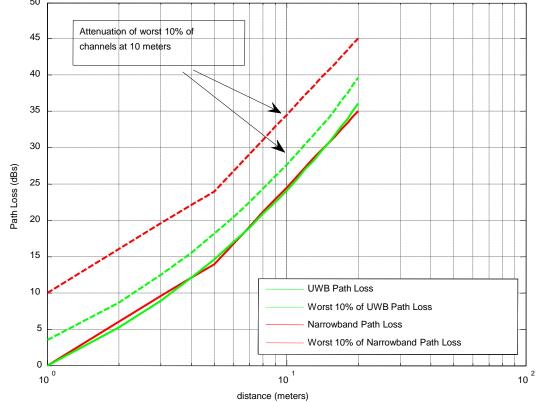
IEEE 802.15-09-0620-01-004f

An Ultra Wideband Channel Model

The curves below represent the mean and worst 10% attenuation plotted as a function of distance.

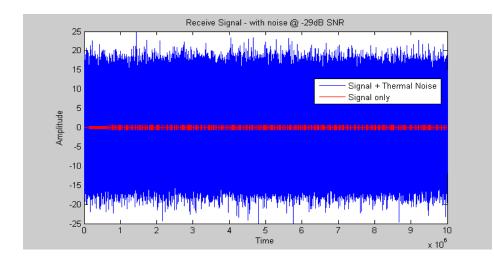
The red curves are for a signal with 20MHz bandwidth The green curves are for a signal with 500MHz bandwidth

It can be seen that the wider bandwidth has much lower worst 10% attenuation



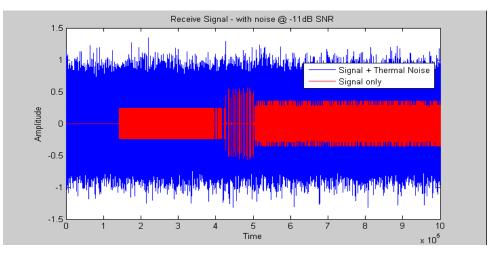
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802.15.4a Receive Signal Buried In Thermal Noise

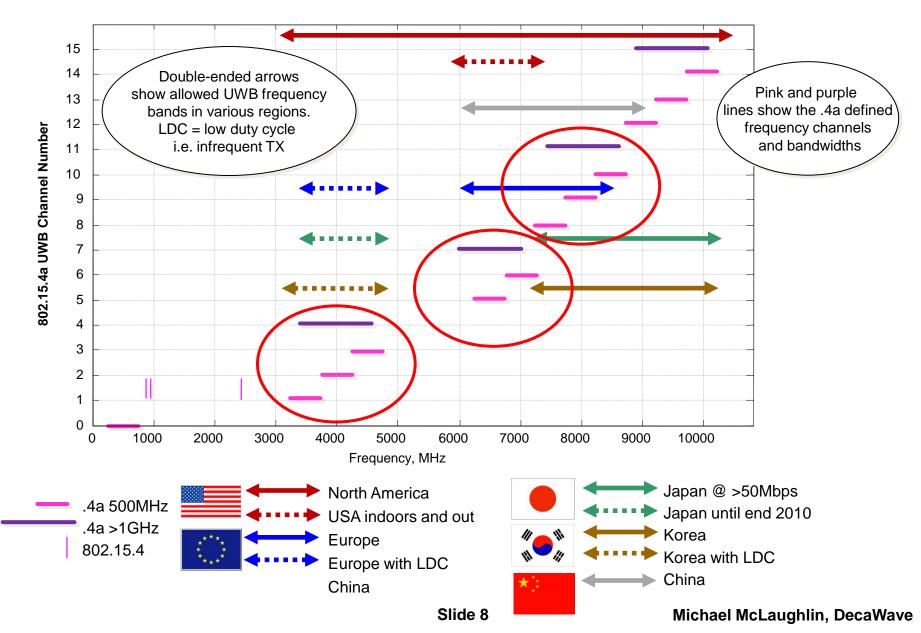


15.4a Receive Signal @ 110kps and noise at -31dB SNR. This corresponds to a distance of 450 meters outdoors, 40 meters indoors

15.4a Receive Signal @ 6.8Mbps and noise at -11dB SNR. This corresponds to a distance of 60 meters outdoors,17 meters indoors



Bandplan Facilitating WorldWide Deployment



Coherent or Non–Coherent Decode

•IEEE 802.15.4a-UWB was designed to be used by *either* a coherent *or* non-coherent receiver

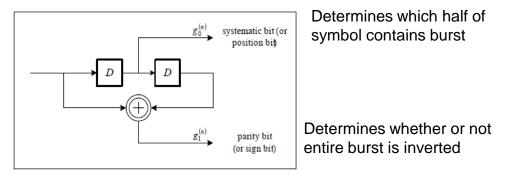
•Some quotes from the published standard:

"The modulation used in the ultra-wide band (UWB) physical layer (PHY) that combines both binary phase-shift keying (BPSK) and pulse position modulation (PPM) so that both coherent and non-coherent receivers can be used to demodulate the signal."

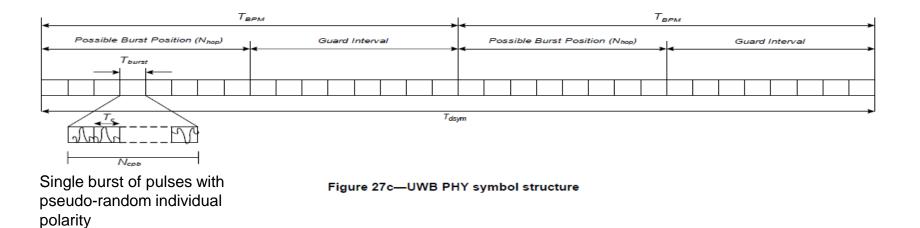
"the UWB PHY also provides a hybrid modulation that enables very simple, non-coherent receiver architectures to further minimize power consumption and implementation complexity.

"A combination of burst position modulation (BPM) and binary phase-shift keying (BPSK) is used to support both coherent and non-coherent receivers using a common signalling scheme. The combined BPM-BPSK is used to modulate the symbols, with each symbol being composed of an active burst of UWB pulses"

FEC and Symbol Structure



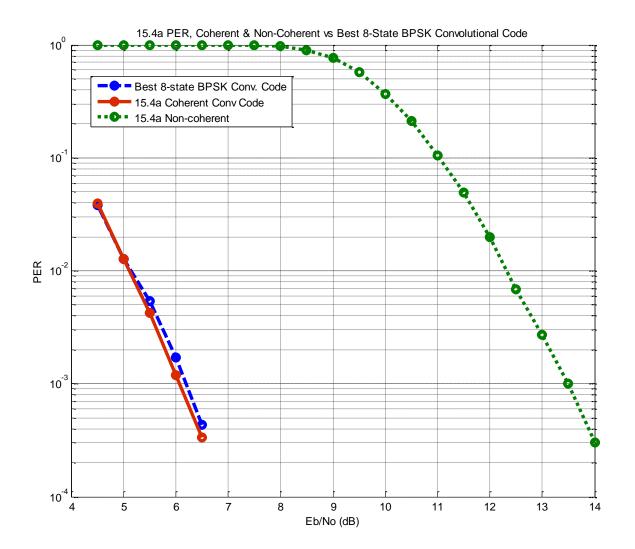




15.4a UWB Packet Structure

Preamble	SFD	PHR	Payload
16 – 4096	8 or 64	19	0 – 127
symbols	symbols	bits	bytes

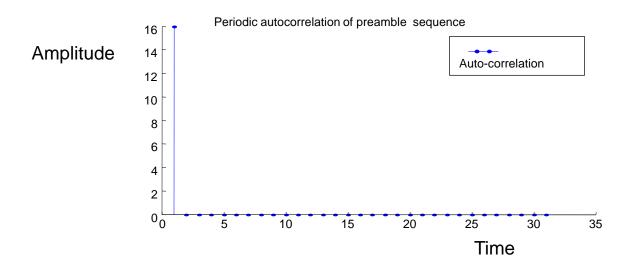
AWGN PER of 802.15.4a



Channel Sounding Preamble

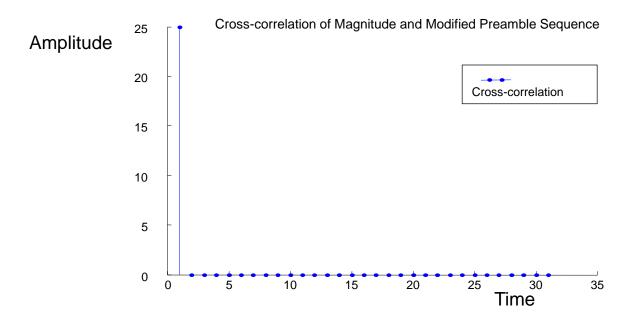
•Example preamble sequence

•This has "Perfect" periodic auto correlation thus:



•Now, a non-coherent receiver only sees if there is energy there or not i.e. this

Non-coherent channel sounding



i.e. 0 replaced by -1

IEEE 802.15.4a-UWB Ranging Options

Two way ranging option

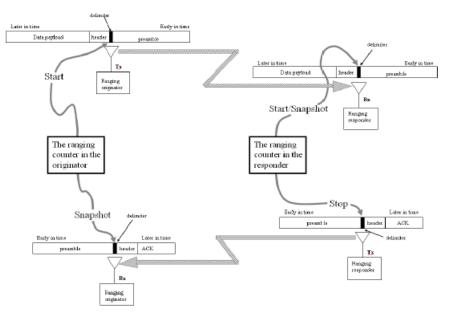
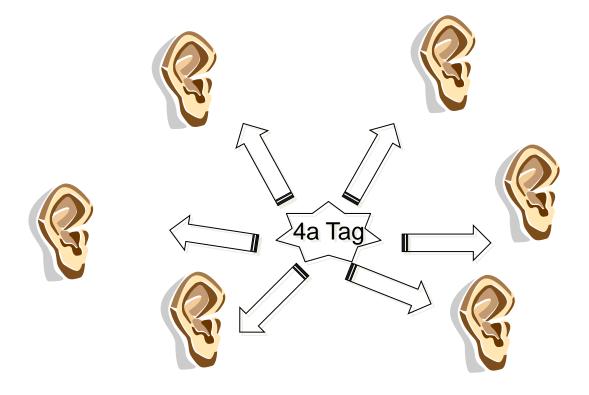


Figure 13a-The complete two-way ranging exchange

IEEE 802.15.4a-UWB Ranging Options

•IEEE 802.15.4a-UWB has the option of being transmit only

"The capabilities required to accomplish one-way ranging are sufficiently similar that this standard allows operation in that mode as well"



COOK Transmitter option

•Many of the original companies who worked on 802.15.4a wanted a way to do a simple OOK transmitter and receiver.

•A joint contribution was submitted by a group of these companies, including Samsung and ETRI. The full contribution can be downloaded from the IEEE website:

15-05-0132-03-004a-merged-proposal-chaotic-uwb-system-802-15-4a.pdf

•The task group listened to their concerns and the result was Annex-H of 802.15.4a.

•This defines an optional OOK type modulation

802.15.4a Annex H: COOK option

•Extract from 802.15.4a:

"Another noncoherent optional pulse shape that may be used is a chaotic waveform. This optional pulse shape shall be used only when all other devices within the PAN are using a chaotic pulse. This mode can be used for low-power applications where long battery life is critically important.

Since chaotic on-off keying (COOK) is noncoherent modulation, the receiver does not need to generate a corresponding chaotic signal for demodulation. For that reason, **the technique chosen for generating a chaotic waveform can be freely determined by implementers**."

Benefits of COOK

•The UWB transmitter can be implemented with a few discrete components

•Instead of a coherent burst of pseudo ransom pulses with a predictable pattern that the receiver can compare with, in Annex H, the transmitter just sends a burst of energy in the band of interest.

•The beauty of Annex H from a non-coherent OOK point of view is that it doesn't matter what type of energy you send. The receiver is not expecting a coherent signal. Although it is referred to as a chaotic signal, it can be anything at all. The implementer decides what to generate and how to generate it.

•This allows a conventional 4a transmitter to transmit a coherent train of pseudo random pulses, but also allows, for example, a COOK transmitter, which works directly in the band of interest, to just send a spurge of energy.

•This system has precisely the same performance as conventional OOK for the same average transmit power

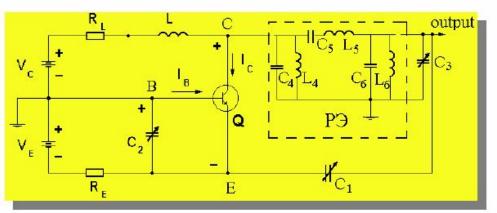
•Because regulations limit the power of the worst case data packet, COOK has a 3dB advantage over OOK in practice

2. CHAOTIC COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

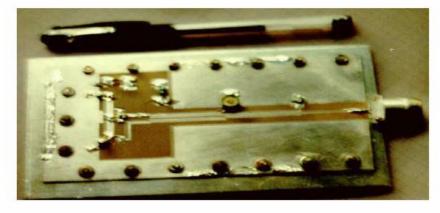
Chaotic Source

- Chaotic source generates oscillations directly in a specified microwave band.
- Information component is put into the chaotic carrier to form a stream of chaotic radio pulses.
- Information can be retrieved from the chaotic radio pulses without intermediate heterodyning.

Chaotic Source Generator Circuit



Experiment device

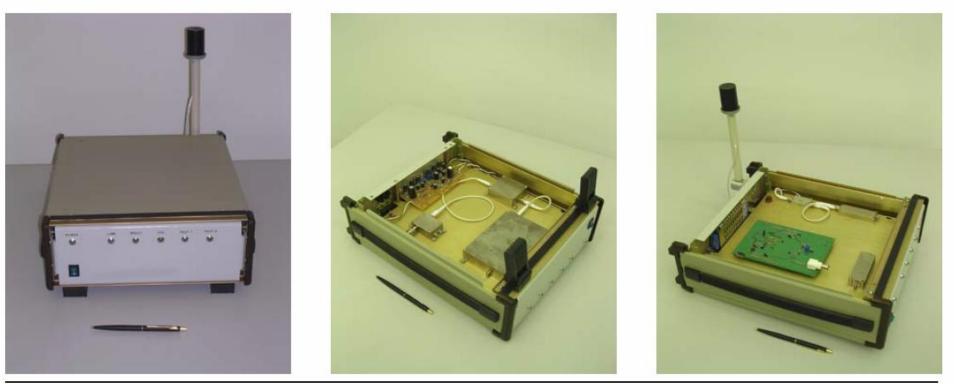


3.4. Technical Feasibility

Prototype 1

The communication test has successfully done using Chaotic pulses

UWB DCC-OOK Test-bed



Summary

- IEEE802.15.4a-UWB is an extremely low complexity ultra wideband communications and RTLS Standard
- Many companies and individuals with wide-ranging expertise worked on 4a
 It has been scrutinised by many pairs of eyes
- Non-coherent option enables ultra-low cost receiver implementations
- Transmitter is very simple to implement
 COOK option can be assembled from readily available components
- Coherent receiver option allows much larger range
 Complexity of RFID reader is usually less critical than tag