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Purpose: [This document is to provide a general review of IR-UWB for PAC]

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Considerations for Low Data Rate Impulse Radio Ultra-Wideband (IR-UWB) PHY in IEEE 802.15.8

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IR-UWB Signaling symbol structures



- Upper: Classic IR-UWB signaling having several short-pulse chips per symbol.
- Lower: Transmitting one continuous waveform per symbol (used in 15.4a and 15.6).

IR-UWB Signaling strategies (cont'd.)

Several short-pulse chips per symbol

- Pros: Precise localization without need of correlator and without exact knowledge of transmitted pulse shape, low Tx complexity.
- Cons: Poorer performance of lowcomplexity energy detection Rx, not efficient duty cycling.

IR-UWB Signaling strategies (cont'd.)

- Transmitting one continuous waveform per symbol
 - Pros: Better performance of low-complexity energy detection Rx, efficient duty cycling.
 - Cons: Precise localization needs correlator and exact knowledge of transmitted pulse shape, higher Tx complexity.

IR-UWB Signaling strategies (cont'd.)

- We choose several short-pulse chips per symbol signaling strategy for:
 - Precise localization without need of correlator.
 - Loose Tx pulse specs needed.

Modulation/detection schemes considered

- Having in mind low-complexity energy as well as coherent receivers, two modulation schemes are considered:
- Binary Pulse Position Modulation (PPM)
- Binary On-Off Keying (OOK)



PPM vs OOK (cont'd)

- Performance of both PPM and OOK deteriorates with increase of signal dimension, i.e. decrease of data rate and increase of bandwidth.
- OOK has better performance in all cases considered.
- OOK detection consumes less power in Rx.

Conclusions

- We analyzed signaling strategies and modulation schemes for low data rate IR-UWB PHY.
- Between classic IR-UWB signaling with short-pulse chips per symbol and transmitting one continuous waveform per symbol we choose classic IR-UWB signaling.
- Between 2PPM and OOK modulations we choose OOK.