Bandwidth Efficient Mixed Pseudo Analogue-Digital Speech Transmission

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Introduction

- Mixed Pseudo Analogue-Digial (MAD) Transmitter
- Channel & Receiver
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Introduction

- Analogue AM speech transmission:
 - low channel bandwidth
 - highly sensitive to additive noise
- Digital speech transmission:
 - robust channel coding against transmission errors
 - higher bandwidth
 - higher complexity
 - maximum quality defined by the speech codec design
- Mixed Pseudo Analogue-Digital (MAD) speech transmission:
 - combine the advantages of both paradigms





Introduction

Principle of MAD Transmission:



Time-Discrete, Quasi-Continuous-Amplitude



































Very low complexity (e.g. no codebook search)





MAD Transmission: Channel & Receiver



Channel





Narrowband Speech Transmission

Channel bandwidth of narrowband transmission (NB)

AMR: $B_{AMR_{NB}} = 1.5 \cdot 22.8 \text{ kbit/s} = 34.2 \text{ kHz}$

$$\begin{array}{lll} {\sf MAD:} \ R_{d_{\sf NB}} = & (38 + 20 + 4) \, {\sf bit/frame} \cdot 50 \, {\sf frames/s} \cdot 2 = 6.2 \, {\sf kbit/s} \\ B_{a_{\sf NB}} = & 1.5 \cdot f_{s_{\sf NB}} = 12 \, {\sf kHz}, & f_{s_{\sf NB}} = 8 \, {\sf kHz} \\ B_{d_{\sf NB}} = & 1.5 \cdot R_{d_{\sf NB}} = 9.3 \, {\sf kHz} \\ B_{\sf MAD_{\sf NB}} = & B_{a_{\sf NB}} + B_{d_{\sf NB}} = 12 \, {\sf kHz} + 9.3 \, {\sf kHz} = {\bf 21.3 \, {\sf kHz}} \end{array}$$





Narrowband Speech Transmission

Narrowband speech: 300Hz – 3.4kHz audio bandwidth





Wideband Speech Transmission

Channel bandwidth of wideband transmission (WB)

$$\begin{split} \mathsf{MAD}_{\mathsf{WB}} : & R_{d_{\mathsf{WB}}} = & (46 + 20 + 4) \, \mathsf{bit/frame} \cdot 50 \, \mathsf{frames/s} \cdot 2 = 7 \, \mathsf{kbit/s} \\ & B_{a_{\mathsf{WB}}} = & 1.5 \cdot f_{s_{\mathsf{WB}}} = 24 \, \mathsf{kHz}, \qquad f_{s_{\mathsf{WB}}} = 16 \, \mathsf{kHz} \\ & B_{d_{\mathsf{WB}}} = & 1.5 \cdot R_{d_{\mathsf{WB}}} = 10.5 \, \mathsf{kHz} \\ & B_{\mathsf{MAD}_{\mathsf{WB}}} = B_{a_{\mathsf{WB}}} + B_{d_{\mathsf{WB}}} = 24 \, \mathsf{kHz} + 10.5 \, \mathsf{kHz} = \mathbf{34.5 \, \mathsf{kHz}} \end{split}$$





Wideband Speech Transmission

• Wideband speech: 50Hz - 7kHz audio bandwidth





Summary & Conclusions

- Mixed Pseudo Analogue-Digital (MAD) speech and audio transmission is an alternative concept of high quality transmission with low complexity, e.g. for wireless microphones and cordless telephones
- MAD speech transmission outperforms narrowband and wideband AMR w.r.t. speech quality, transmission bandwidth, and complexity
- Not being based on a model of speech production, MAD is suitable for speech and audio transmission





Summary & Conclusions

Thank you for your attention



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