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Abstract: [This document summarizes the NICTA wireless on-body channel measurement results at 820 and 2360 MHz presented in document 15-08-0421-00-0006.]

Purpose: [To promote discussion of channel dynamics within 802.15.6.]

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Summary of NICTA channel measurement results

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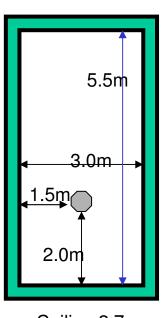
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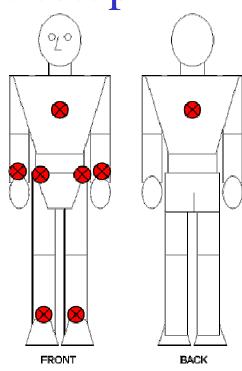
Outline

- May 08 Preliminary measurement results [15-08-0354-01-006]
- July 08 Measurement report [15-08-0421-00-0006]
 - Extended duration of trials
 - Two frequencies
 - No more single-tap assumptions
 - All measurement results presented
- This presentation
 - Summary only
 - On-body wireless channels around 900 and 2400 MHz ISM bands
 - Channel dynamics; movement of test subject is important

Experiment setup



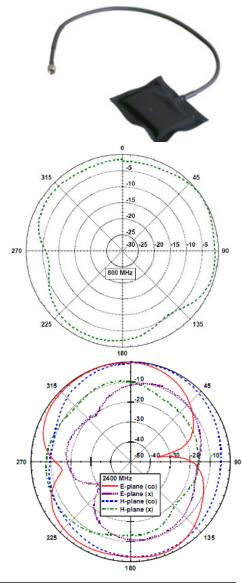
Ceiling 2.7m



Receiver location	Transmitter location Chest Right wrist Left wrist Right ankle Left ankle Back						
	Chest	Right wrist	Left wrist	Right ankle	Left ankle	Back	
Right hip	×	×	×	×	×	×	
Chest		×		×		×	

Equipment

- National Instruments NI PXIe-1065 (chassis)
 - 30 dB amplifier
- Mini-Circuits LNAs
 - 800 MHz: ZEL-0812LN
 - 2.36 GHz: ZQL-2700MLNW
- Octane Wireless wearable flexible antennas
 - BW-800-900, BW-2400-2500
 - Near Omni directional, vertical polarisation



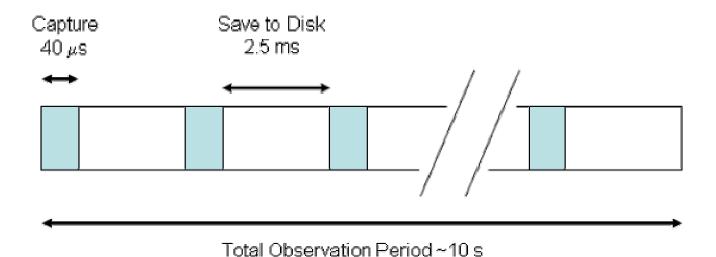
Some details

- On-body channel only (S4 & S5, CM3 in CMD)
- Measurements done at 820 MHz and 2360 MHz
 - Close to 900 and 2400 MHz ISM bands
 - Least experimentally measured interference
- Movements: Standing, walking, running
- -10 dBm transmit power
- 63-symbol BPSK PN sequence at 12.5 Mbps
- Time domain sampling

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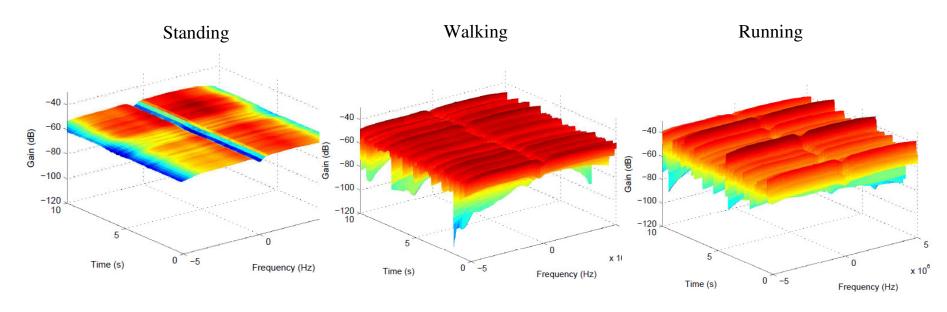
Data capture

- Hardware doesn't allow continuous capture of 10 seconds of data
- Capture snapshots (40 microseconds at a time)
 - Assume channel is static during this time



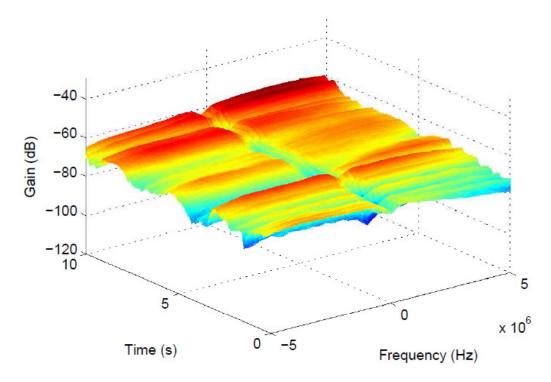
Power spectral density over time

- Chest → Right hip @ 820 MHz
- Movement induced flat fading



Fading types

- Right ankle → Chest @ 2.36 GHz (standing still)
- Most obvious example of frequency selective fading
- But... Flat fading > freq. selective fading



Receiver at chest;

Transmitter at:

49.4

Transmitter at:

64.9

Transmitter at:

Right Right

34.0

Transmitter at:

Wrist

21.2

Right | Right

29.4 19.5

Ankle

11.3

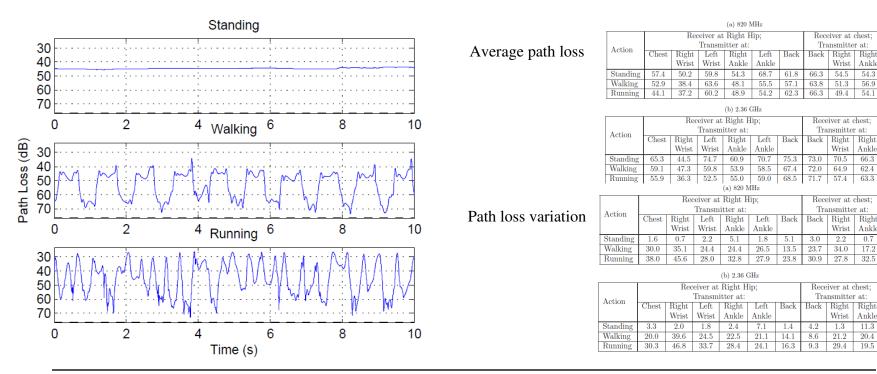
Wrist Ankle

Wrist | Ankle

Right Right

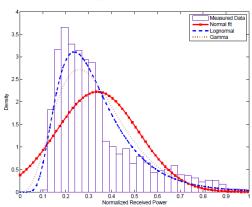
Path loss over time

- Right wrist → Right hip @ 2.36 GHz
- Variation consistent with movement



Statistical analysis of received power

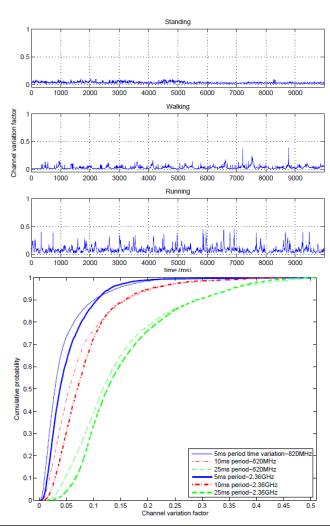
- Find best fit for received signal power
 - Normal, Lognormal, Gamma
 - Tried other distributions
- Motion → Lognormal or Gamma
- No motion → Normal
 - Not a good fit



Tx Antenna	Rx Antenna	Action	Distribution		
1 A Antenna	Ttx Antenna	Action	820 MHz	2.36 GHz	
Chest	Right Hip	Standing	Normal	Normal	
Chest	Right Hip	Walking	Normal	Normal	
Chest	Right Hip	Running	Gamma	Lognormal	
Right Wrist	Right Hip	Standing	Normal	Normal	
Right Wrist	Right Hip	Walking	Lognormal	Gamma	
Right Wrist	Right Hip	Running	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Left Wrist	Right Hip	Standing	Normal	Normal	
Left Wrist	Right Hip	Walking	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Left Wrist	Right Hip	Running	Lognormal	Gamma	
Right Ankle	Right Hip	Standing	Lognormal	Normal	
Right Ankle	Right Hip	Walking	Gamma	Gamma	
Right Ankle	Right Hip	Running	Gamma	Gamma	
Left Ankle	Right Hip	Standing	Lognormal	Normal	
Left Ankle	Right Hip	Walking	Gamma	Gamma	
Left Ankle	Right Hip	Running	Gamma	Gamma	
Back	Right Hip	Standing	Normal	Normal	
Back	Right Hip	Walking	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Back	Right Hip	Running	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Back	Chest	Standing	Normal	Normal	
Back	Chest	Walking	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Back	Chest	Running	Gamma	Lognormal	
Right Wrist	Chest	Standing	Normal	Normal	
Right Wrist	Chest	Walking	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Right Wrist	Chest	Running	Lognormal	Gamma	
Right Ankle	Chest	Standing	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Right Ankle	Chest	Walking	Lognormal	Lognormal	
Right ankle	Chest	Running	Lognormal	Lognormal	

Channel coherence

- Own coherence measurement factor
 - Variance of channel impulse response over time
 - Indicates periods of time where channel is stable (low = stable)
- Channel stability consistent with movement
- Channel more stable at 820 MHz than at 2.36 GHz (longer wavelength)



Summary

- Human movement → more variation in the channel (as expected)
- Human movement is the dominant fading effect (flat fading)
- Lognormal and Gamma distributions best match received power distribution for moving subject
- Channel more stable at 820 MHz than at 2.36 GHz

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