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PHY – High Rate PRF Low Energy (HRP-LE) option

# Introduction

In this document, we propose optional PHY layer parameters aimed at non-coherent data comms while ensuring orthogonality with secure ranging applications. Coexistence with legacy devices is considered in this proposal.

The benefits of such non-coherent detection can be summarized as:

* Obviating the need for RF carrier generation.
* Fast (sub ms) channel hopping is possible (with the help of fast synthesizer

settling time). This leads to efficient duty cycling between frames.

* Fast radio start-up (few ms) is possible.
* Relaxed requirements of the frequency and phase accuracy of the system.
* Coverage benefits from multipath within SOI due to lower phase sensitivity compared with coherent detection.
* High symbol rate of the PHY layer allows to reduce frame airtime.
* Reduced latency due to shorter frame time.
* Allows for aggressive duty cycle of the radio which results in a much higher energy efficiency of the radio.
* Long preambles are not required for data streaming and this can further reduce frame overhead.

The proposed additions to HRP complement existing and proposed capabilities for ranging and sensing applications and can be used without undue disruption of those links.

# Actual Technical Framework Proposal

Clauses numbers are based on draft 802.15.4me+z-DF00-redline.

## 15.1 General

Add at the end of the section:

An optional HRP low energy (HRP-LE) PHY provides simplified, non-coherent data communications for applications that don’t require secure ranging functionality.

## 15.2 HPR UWB PPDU format

### 15.2.6 SHR field

#### 15.2.6.2 SYNC field

Add at the end of the section:

In case of the optional HRP-LE mode, the SYNC sequence uses the OOK modulation from 15.3.5.1 to transmit repetitions of 1/0 symbols. The LFSR from section 15.3.2 shall be used to scramble the phase of the chips. For this purpose, the LFSR shall be initialised with the sequence 1/0/1/0/1/0/…

The SYNC length in case of the optional HRP-LE mode may be 16, 32, 64 or 128 symbols.

#### 15.2.6.3 SFD field

Add at the end of the section:

The SFD sequence for the optional HRP-LE transmissions shall be one of the following sequences (left most bit transmitted first):

* 5EA6C11D
* BF166129
* B94F9606
* A5843F66
* 9B52FC60
* 6819CBD5
* F29F5C88
* EE415A3C

### 15.2.7 PHR field

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15.2.7.4 PHR field for HRP-LE

In the HRP-LE mode, the PHR shall be formatted as shown in Figure AA. The PHR shall always be transmitted using Manchester OOK as defined in 15.3.5.2.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Bits: 0-3 | 4-11 | 12-13 | 14 | 15-20 |
| Number of pulses and modulation | Payload length | Puncturing | Reserved | SECDED |

Figure AA – HRP-LE PHY header

Bits 0-3 inform the receiver about the number of pulses per symbol and the payload modulation format (see 15.3.5) of the frame, as per Table BB.

Table BB – Number of pulses and modulation

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Bits 0-3** | **Number of pulses** | **Modulation format** |
| 0 0 0 0 | 1 | On-Off Keying |
| 0 0 0 1 | 1 | Manchester OOK |
| 0 0 1 0 | 1 | Burst Position Modulation |
| 0 0 1 1 | 2 | On-Off Keying |
| 0 1 0 0 | 2 | Manchester OOK |
| 0 1 0 1 | 2 | Burst Position Modulation |
| 0 1 1 0 | 4 | On-Off Keying |
| 0 1 1 1 | 4 | Manchester OOK |
| 1 0 0 0 | 4 | Burst Position Modulation |

Bits 4-11 encode the length of the PHY payload in octets. The PHY payload length field shall be passed to the modulator most significant bit first.

Bits 12-13 encode the puncturing used in the frame (see 15.3.3.3), as per Table CC.

Table CC – Puncturing

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| **Bits 12-13** | **Puncturing** |
| 0 0 | 1/1 |
| 0 1 | 4/3 |
| 1 0 | 5/3 |
| 1 1 | 2/1 |

Bits 15-20 contain a single-error-correction, double-error-detection (SECDED) code. The definition of the bits shall be per Table DD.

Table DD – SECDED for HRP-LE mode

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| **Bit** | **Definition** |
| b15 | xor(b0,b1,b2,b3,b4,b5,b6,b7,b8,b9,b10,b11,b12,b13,b14,b16,b17,b18,b19,b20) |
| b16 | xor(b4,b11,b0,6,b13,b1,b8,b15,b3,b10) |
| b17 | xor(b5,b12,b0,b,b6,b13,b,b2,b9,b3,b10) |
| b18 | xor(b7,b14,b1,b8,b2,b9,b3,b10) |
| b19 | xor(b4,b5,b6,b7,b8,b9,b10) |
| b20 | xor(b11,b12,b13,b14) |

## 15.3 – Modulation

## 15.3.2 – Spreading

Add below table 15-19:

In case of the optional HRP-LE mode, the LFSR shall be initialised using 1/0/1/0/1/0/…

### 15.3.3 FEC

#### 15.3.3.3 Convolutional encoding

Add at the end of the section:

The use of the K = 7 convolutional coding is mandatory when the optional HRP-LE mode is used, with puncturing ratios 1/1, 4/3, 5/3 and 2/1.

The puncturing patterns shall be as defined in Table EE. There A, B, C, D, E and F correspond to 5 uncoded bits, while A0, A1, B0, B1, C0, C1, D0, D1, E0, E1 and F0, F1 correspond to g0 and g1 when the uncoded bits A, B, C, D, E and F are shifted into the convolutional encoder.

Table EE – puncturing patterns for HRP-LE mode

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| --- | --- |
| Puncturing ratio | Puncturing Pattern |
| 2/1 | A0, A1, B0, B1, C0, C1, D0, D1, E0, E1, F0, F1 |
| 5/3 | A0, A1, B0, B1, C1, D0, D1, E0, E1, F1 |
| 4/3 | A0, A1, B1, C1, D0, D1, E1, F1 |
| 1/1 | A, B, C, D, E, F |

Add 15.3.5 Modulation in HRP-LE mode:

### 15.3.5 Modulation in HRP-LE

Three modulation formats may be used by devices supporting the optional HRP-LE mode.

#### 15.3.5.1 On-Off Keying

The OOK symbol shall consist of 24 chips, transmitted at a chip rate of 499.2 MHz, corresponding to a symbol rate of 20.8 MHz.

A symbol may have 1, 2 or 4 active chips. The burst of active chips shall be transmitted at the beginning of the symbol. The same number of active chips shall be maintained throughout the PPDU.

The burst within the symbol is either active when transmitting a ‘1’ or inactive when transmitting a ‘0’.

Box and whisker chart

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The usage of the on-off keying mode is mandatory during the SYNC part of the PPDU.

#### 15.3.5.2 Manchester OOK

The Manchester OOK symbol consists of 48 chips, transmitted at a chip rate of 499.2 MHz, corresponding to a 10.4 MHz symbol rate.

A symbol may have 1, 2 or 4 active chips. The burst of active chips shall be transmitted at the beginning of the symbol. The same number of active chips shall be maintained throughout the PPDU.

The burst of active chips is either located at the beginning of the first or second half of the symbol. An active burst in the first position corresponds to a ‘0’ bit, in the second position to a ‘1’.

Diagram

Description automatically generated with medium confidenceThe usage of the on-off keying mode is mandatory during the PHR part of the PPDU.

#### 15.3.5.3 Burst position modulation

The BPM symbol consists of 24 chips, transmitted at a chip rate of 499.2 MHz, corresponding to a 20.8 MHz symbol rate.

A symbol may have 1, 2 or 4 active chips. The burst of active chips shall be transmitted at the beginning of the symbol. The same number of active chips shall be maintained throughout the PPDU.

The burst of active chips is either located at the beginning of the first or second half of the symbol. An active burst in the first position corresponds to a ‘0’ bit, in the second position to a ‘1’.

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## 15.4 RF requirements

### 15.4.1 Operating frequency bands

Center frequencies *fc* can be any integer multiple of 124.8 MHz and are characterized by an integer number *Nc* according to

*fc* = 499.2 MHz + *Nc* 124.8 MHz

 where *Nc* may range from 0 to 97.

### 15.4.6 Chip rate clock and chip carrier alignment

In front of the last sentence, add that the link between chip rate and carrier frequency does not apply to HRP-LE:

Except for the HPR-LE PHY, t~~T~~he carrier center frequency and the chip rate frequency shall be derived from the same reference oscillator.

## 15.4.9 Transmit centre frequency tolerance

At the end of the section add:

In case of the optional HRP-LE PHY, the transmit centre frequency tolerance shall be ±100 MHz.

# Conclusion

An optional non-coherent mode tailored to low-power, low-latency data communications with minimal impact on standard definition is proposed in this document. Among other benefits cited in the introduction, the proposed optional PHY modifications increase the trade-off space by introducing more options for low power, higher rate communications. Moreover, it reduces the potential for disrupting ranging applications by shortening packet duration and symbol structure.

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