# Comment Resolution related to 4x4 MIMO Practicality (CID 69)

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ID	Comment	Suggested Remedy
69		Consider the added complexity to the proposed standard and the probability of use of such technology in practice.

#### **Proposed Resolution:**

We propose to keep 4 x 4 MIMO configuration in the standard.

We agree with the comment that in TVWS, the distances required to yield uncorrelated fading among the elements of the antenna array are bigger than the distances required by other wireless communication systems operating at higher frequencies. We however think that 4 x 4 MIMO in TVWS is not unpractical therefore not having limited usability. The reasons for the aforementioned judgment is as follows:

• Consider the wavelength for f = 600 MHz;

 $-\lambda = c/f = 0.5$  meters

- For highly positioned antennas (e.g., base-stations, higher relays)
  - Antenna separation of 10  $\lambda$  to achieve uncorrelated fading [1], [2]
  - $-10 \lambda = 5$  meters
- For antennas with comparable height as the local scatters (terminals, lower relay stations)
  - Antenna separation of 0.5  $\lambda$  to achieve uncorrelated fading [1],[2].
  - 0.5  $\lambda = 0.25$  meters

- Several antenna array configurations exist
  - Uniform Linear Array (ULA)
  - Uniform Circular Array (UCA)
  - Uniform Rectangular Array (URA)
  - Uniform Cubic Array (UCuA)
- 4x4 ULA (10  $\lambda$  BS, High relay) • • - L =15 meters L
- 4x4 URA (10  $\lambda$  BS, High relay) - L = 5 meters

• As stated in [1],  $4\lambda$  (2 meters) is however capable of achieving 80% of the throughput as compared to  $10\lambda$  separation.

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- 4x4 ULA (4  $\lambda$  BS, High relay) - L = 6 meters L
- 4x4 URA (4  $\lambda$  BS, High relay) - L = 2 meters
- Despite having a large array, URA of 5 meters (and even ULA of 15 meters) can be practical if one considers that both base stations and relay stations do not necessarily have antennas fixed to it, i.e., antennas can be spread each to different corners of a building roof-top.
- In the case  $4 \lambda$  is utilized with the cost of 20% throughput reduction, we believe that practicality concerns nearly disappears

4x4 ULA (Terminals, Low relay stations)

L=1 meter
4x4 URA (Terminals, Low relay stations)
L=0.25 meters

For the case of low height antennas, the array length for 4 antennas is obviously practical.

• ULA and URA do have different throughput

- ULA<sub>throuput</sub> > URA<sub>throuput</sub>

- As shown in [3], URA still provided significant spectral efficiency improvement (throughput) as compared to the SISO system. Therefore being also a useful means to realize 4x4 MIMO in TVWS.
- Additionally, [4] develops a compact MIMO antenna by using polarization discrimination, which would further reduce the distance requirements given in this presentation.

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