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Project info

Project title (Swedish)*

Modellering av plötsliga trådbundna kanaländringar

Project title (English)*

Modeling of abrupt wireline channel changes

Abstract (English)*

This project deals with modeling abrupt changes of wireline matrix channels. The driving application are next-generation small-cell mobile networks - a concept that hinges upon backhaul connections offering high throughput and high reliability. The wireline access network, originally installed for voice telephony, is a nearly ideal candidate for providing the backhaul link between cells located in bandwidth-hungry locations such as customers' homes or office buildings and the core network. Sudden channel changes can be caused by sudden changes of termination impedances on neighboring lines due to changes of their operation modes or unwanted disconnect events. The underlying premise of the project is that sudden changes in a matrix channel are caused by singular events and are thus of sparse nature. The goal is to augment multi-conductor transmission-line theory by sudden termination changes and to create counter measures such as fast and low-complexity estimators.

Popular scientific description (Swedish)*

En matriskanal är en matematisk modell av ett system med flera ingående och flera utgående signaler. Exempelvis transmissionen mellan en modern mobiltelefon och en basstation är en matriskanal. En telefonkabel som förbinder hemmen med telefoncentralen är ett annat exempel. Grundidén i projektet är att det oftast finns en enskild orsak som leder till plötsliga ändringarna i matrisen. Eftersom den plötsliga ändringen oftast kan beskrivas på ett enkelt sätt (vilket betyder att den matematiska modellen bara har ett fåtal koefficienter), borde också ändringarna i matrisen vara mindre komplicerade än det verkar. Projektets mål är att utveckla effektiva metoder för snabb uppdatering av matriskanaler som beter sig enligt beskrivningen ovan, samt skapa grundläggande kunskap inom området.

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A.1 Purpose and aims

The classic wireline channel is modeled as quasi-time-invariant dispersive matrix channel exhibiting only very slow temporal variations caused by changes of environmental variables such as temperature or humidity. However, emerging throughput-boosting techniques such as extending the used bandwidth and exploiting alternative transmission modes introduce new challenges not covered by the traditional modeling approach. A performance-devastating issue discovered only recently are abrupt changes of the entire matrix channel caused by termination-impedance variations.

Successful application of capacity-exploiting techniques requires a paradigm shift away from time invariance to models and methods capable of capturing sudden changes. The approach of this proposal is the following: instead of applying state-of-the-art estimation techniques to identify a “black-box” matrix change on system level, we instead analyze the underlying mechanisms and aim at exploiting structural properties of an abrupt impedance-induced channel change. A key observation is that most often only a single user causes a termination change at a given time instant. The project’s main conjecture is that sudden wireline matrix-channel changes are rooted in singular scalar impedance changes and should thus be of sparse nature. The project’s goal is to advance the state of the art in the following way:

- Proof the sparsity conjecture
- Augment the time-invariant multi-conductor transmission-line model by the ability to capture a sudden transition between two stationary states
- Create techniques to mitigate the impact of sudden transitions based on the model and exploiting the sparsity property

A.2 Survey of the field

Broadband Internet access via the in-place copper network is an important part of today’s fixed broadband-access infrastructure [1] and emerging broadband access systems [2]. In future, the existing copper infrastructure is likely to play a key role in small-cell networks [3]. System architecture proposals range from backhauling of data over digital subscriber line links to

amplify-and-forward fronthauling of analog signals over copper lines connecting low-power radio nodes with multi-cell access points [4, 5].

A cable or a cascade of several cables can be modeled in frequency domain by a matrix $H(f) \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$, where f denotes frequency and m denotes the number of transmission modes. Using differential modes¹, a cable with m pairs provides m modes. The receive signal $y(f) \in \mathbb{C}^m$ is given by

$$y(f) = H(f)x(f) + z(f), \quad (1)$$

where $x(f) \in \mathbb{C}^m$ and $z(f) \in \mathbb{C}^m$ denote transmit signal and noise, respectively. In order to simplify notation, the dependence on f is hereinafter omitted wherever possible.

Co-location of transceivers allows for coordination with the aim of better exploiting the channel by techniques summarized under the term dynamic spectrum management (DSM) [6]. In its most advanced form, DSM employs joint signal processing and corresponding pre-coding/interference-cancellation techniques are often summarized under the term vectoring or vectored transmission [7–11]. Transceivers participating in joint processing form a so-called vectoring group. Co-location of transmitters allows for joint pre-processing of signals before transmission, which is frequently referred to as pre-coding and can be described by a (possibly non-linear) operator $\mathcal{P}(\cdot)$ turning (1) into $y' = Hx' + z = H\mathcal{P}(x) + z$. Co-location of receivers allows for joint post-processing of receive signals by a (possibly non-linear) operator $\mathcal{C}(\cdot)$, which is frequently referred to as interference cancellation and can be described by $y' = \mathcal{C}(y) = \mathcal{C}(Hx + z)$. In essence, vectoring aims at turning (1) into an equivalent system

$$y' = (D + R)x' + z', \quad (2)$$

where D is diagonal, R contains residual coupling values, and z' is a possibly modified noise vector. Ideally, the diagonal of D is large and balanced according to the desired throughput distribution over the modes and R vanishes.

Vectoring techniques applied to shielded or unshielded twisted-pair cables rely on accurate channel information since they aim at eliminating interference that lies up to 70 dB below signal level resulting in spectral efficiencies of up to 12 bit/s/Hz/dimension. In order to exploit the capacity of the matrix wireline channel, vectoring techniques require channel estimates with relative errors in the order of 0.1–1%. For state-of-the-art wireline systems, which use relatively low bandwidths (up to 30 MHz) and differential modes, the time-invariance assumption for H is valid, which allows for accurate channel estimation.

Emerging and future wireline systems aim at fulfilling the ever-increasing throughput demand mostly by following two main trends:

- Exploit higher frequencies on short lines [2, 12]
- Employ alternative transmission modes (such as phantom modes, common modes, or split-pair modes) [13–16] instead of or in combination with traditional differential modes

For frequencies beyond roughly 30 MHz, $H(f)$ becomes increasingly sensitive to termination impedances. This issue was discovered only recently [17–21] and shatters the time-invariance

¹Differential modes are created by applying a voltage between two conductors which are typically twisted in order to improve the mode's electromagnetic immunity.

assumption since termination impedances change abruptly when users disconnect or turn on/off equipment and are thus unpredictable events. Vectoring systems often share the channel infrastructure with other systems (which may be separated through frequency division but nevertheless interfere on termination-impedance level) owned by a different operator, which makes it difficult to circumvent the problem on equipment level (for example, by installing fixed terminations). An abrupt channel change can be modeled by a new matrix

$$H'(f) = H(f) + \Delta(f), \quad (3)$$

where $\Delta(f)$ is a full $m \times m$ matrix. The vectoring system, which is tuned to $H(f)$, suddenly operates on $H'(f)$. As a result, the diagonal of D in (2) changes, a possibly substantial residual R appears, and z' may grow. The system is seriously impaired, which causes transmission errors or even loss of synchronization. Estimating $H'(f)$ to get back on track is vital. State-of-the-art estimation techniques face two major challenges:

- Estimation complexity is enormous² since tackling the change $\Delta(f)$ requires $m^2 n_f$ parameters, where n_f denotes frequency resolution.
- Estimating $H'(f)$, or equivalently $\Delta(f)$, has to happen fast. Although error bursts up to a certain length can be mitigated by higher-layer channel-coding techniques, latency and coding complexity impose limits and thus require the vectoring system to quickly move from $H(f)$ to $H'(f)$.

Prior work focused on the related sub-problem of channel changes caused by termination variations on lines that are part of the vectoring group, which is simpler for two reasons: first, only one column of H experiences significant changes, which reduces the number of parameters per frequency point to m and makes black-box tracking easier³ [22, 23]; second, the termination-changing line is either leaving or joining the group, which anyway requires an update of the matrix-channel estimate and allows for system-level techniques such as muting the leaving transmitter [24]. None of these approaches, however, can be used for full matrix channel changes induced by termination changes of lines outside the vectoring group. Underlying theory and corresponding methods of this proposal are outlined in the next section.

A.3 Project description

A.3.1 Underlying theory and approach

The core conjecture of the project is that wireline matrix-channel changes are caused by singular scalar impedance changes: most often, only a single user causes a termination change. Consequently, although $\Delta(f)$ in (3) is a full matrix, the change should be of sparse nature. The sparsity conjecture is motivated by prior work [25] on a simplified coupling-and-reflection-mechanism

²For example, a 10-pair cable ($n = 20$) driven solely with differential modes ($m = 10$) requires already $m^2 = 100$ complex-valued parameters per frequency point. Exploiting all $m = n - 1$ independent transmission modes in a 20-pair cable ($n = 40$) yields $m^2 = 1521$ parameters per frequency point. The recently introduced standard G.fast uses $n_f = 4096$.

³Black-box tracking still requires high complexity and can be improved by applying the approach outlined in this proposal also to the case of termination-variations inside the vectoring group.

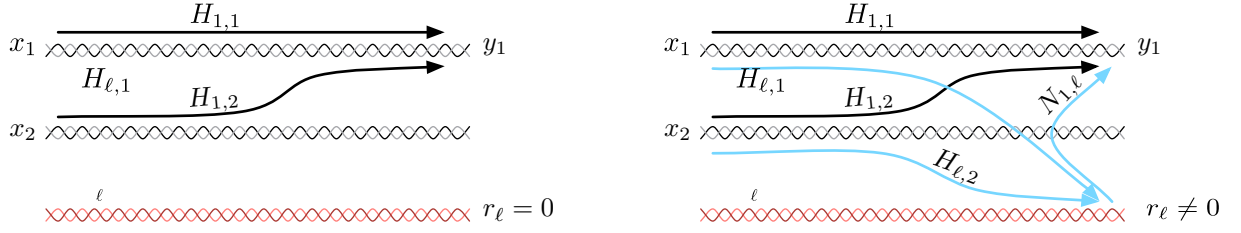


Figure 1: Illustration of the model's idea for downstream coupling from line no. 2 to line no. 1. Line no. ℓ is the line changing its termination. Left: In case of perfect termination ($r_\ell \approx 0$), the received signal is simply $y_1 = H_{1,1}x_1 + H_{1,2}x_2$. Right: In case of a termination mismatch ($r_\ell \neq 0$), the components $H_{\ell,1}x_1 + H_{\ell,2}x_2$ arriving at the mismatched port are reflected and yield an additional far-end crosstalk component $N_{1,\ell}r_\ell H_{\ell,1}x_1 + N_{1,\ell}r_\ell H_{\ell,2}x_2$ through the near-end crosstalk coupling path.

briefly outlined in the following. Consider two differential modes of a small vectored group in an n -conductor cable. In case all termination impedances match perfectly (cf. Fig. 1 left), the receive signal on line 1 can be written as

$$y_1 = H_{1,1}x_1 + H_{1,2}x_2. \quad (4)$$

Now assume that the termination of line no. ℓ is changing, which causes a mismatch and thus a reflection of arriving signal energy (cf. Fig. 1 right). Let r_ℓ denote the ratio of reflected and arriving signal. The receive signal can then be written as

$$y_1 = \underbrace{(H_{1,1} + N_{1,\ell}r_\ell H_{\ell,1})}_{H'_{1,1}} x_1 + \underbrace{(H_{1,2} + N_{1,\ell}r_\ell H_{\ell,2})}_{H'_{1,2}} x_2, \quad (5)$$

where the element $N_{i,j}$ of the matrix N denotes the coupling coefficient from line j to line i at the receive side. Extending (5) to all m modes in the vectored group yields

$$y = \underbrace{(H_{1:m,1:m} + N_{1:m,\ell} r_\ell H_{\ell,1:m})}_{H'_{1:m,1:m}} x \quad (6)$$

The change $\Delta = N_{1:m,\ell} r_\ell H_{\ell,1:m}$ of all entries in H is caused by the change of the scalar reflection coefficient r_ℓ .

Although the coupling-reflection approach (6) inspired by [25] is a good starting point to recognize sparsity, several issues arise when using it as a basis for the extension to the general case of m modes and several lines with changing impedances. First, as soon as two or more lines are mismatched, the model suggests multiple reflections (back and forth between mismatched ports), which complicate the analysis. Second, the assumption that a line is perfectly terminated in its characteristic impedance never holds in practice. Consequently, the coupling coefficients available in real systems describe the termination state under which they have been identified and are thus *not necessarily equivalent* to scattering parameters⁴. Third, coupling coefficients

⁴In fact, crosstalk coefficients might deviate significantly from scattering parameters in case channel estimation or tracking is performed while a line is open or short-circuited.

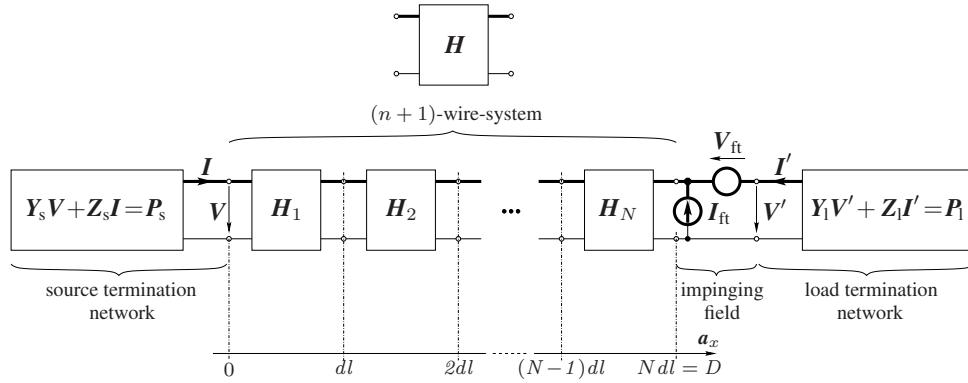


Figure 2: Chain-parameter model of multi-segment multi-conductor transmission line system including general matrix termination networks (mixed representation of generalized Thevenin equivalent and generalized Norton equivalent [26]).

to and from ports of a line outside the vectoring group are in general not available to the vectoring system. The project will approach the problem in a more rigorous way starting with a complete chain-parameter description based on multi-conductor transmission-line (MTL) theory [26] (cf. Fig. 2). MTL modeling includes matrix terminations of the multi-conductor system instead of considering only individual and decoupled mode-terminations. Furthermore, it allows circuit-level modeling of termination networks. Subsequent symbolic conversion to scattering parameters by extending the corresponding results of [27] to six ports (three lines, two out of which form a small vectoring group while the third changes its termination) allows for a formal proof of sparsity. Although the number of MTL-model parameters is larger compared to a coupling model like (6), it enables a systematic approach to establishing sparsity by answering the following fundamental questions:

- How sensitive are crosstalk coupling coefficients to inter-mode termination impedances⁵?
- How much information in terms of scattering parameters and their accuracy is required in order to predict crosstalk coupling changes caused by scalar termination-impedance changes?

A.3.2 Work packages and timeline

The two-year project is organized in work packages (WPs) and the timeline is specified in terms of 24 project months (PMs).

WP1: Model design (PM 1-14) The first step is building the scattering-parameter model of a cable with arbitrary geometry and general terminations using chain-parameter based multi-conductor transmission-line theory [26, 28]. A sensitivity analysis shall yield bounds for the crosstalk-coupling changes caused by inter-mode terminations. While inter-mode terminations are essentially neglected in low-frequency differential-mode wireline systems, their impact for

⁵For differential modes, inter-mode termination impedances originate for example from stray capacitors between conductor ends belonging to different twisted pairs.

frequencies beyond 100 MHz and, in particular, for alternative transmission modes has to be investigated.

A case of particular practical relevance is variation of modes' insertion losses. In real scenarios, the impedance-changing line can have a different length than the other lines affected by the change. The model will provide a methodology to answer questions regarding the impact of line-length differences between impedance-changing and affected lines.

Frequency-domain modeling of termination impedance and the corresponding reflection coefficient offers another degree of sparsity. Instead of modeling the termination as black box with n_f frequency-domain coefficients, which requires several hundred parameters⁶, a circuit model of the termination network requires only a few parameters.

WP2: Model verification through laboratory measurements (PM 12-16) In order to manifest the model's credibility, laboratory measurements of representative test scenarios are carried out to assess the match between measured and predicted channel after a termination-impedance change. Interesting cases from an application point of view are transitions from matched (or close to matched) termination to open state (cable break event or equipment disconnect) and short-cut state (cable damage). Several combinations of differential modes, phantom modes, and split-pair modes on various cable types (category 3, 5, and 7) shall be verified.

WP3: Model-based transceiver design (PM 17-24) This work package aims at improving the state-of-the-art wireline transceiver by exploiting the insights of WP1 and WP2. The main strain of work shall focus on reducing the complexity of linear matrix-channel estimation by invoking the scattering model and exploiting sparsity. Circuit-based modeling of the termination has the potential of reducing the number of parameters by several orders of magnitude—however, good models will most likely result in nonlinear estimators, which thus requires a careful complexity analysis.

The second strain of work focuses on system-level aspects of abrupt channel changes. The goal is to mitigate the impact of the channel change by exploiting insights gained from modeling. For example, keeping the vectoring engine running after a termination-change has been detected, can minimize the signal energy arriving at the mismatched port and thus reduce the change's duration-of-impact to the time required to detect the change [29]. The project shall extend the idea to non-linear precoding techniques, which are applied at higher frequencies, as well as to the case when a change is reversed (for example, by a dropped line coming back online).

A.3.3 Project organization and research group

The project will be carried out in cooperation with Ericsson Research AB in Kista, Stockholm, where most of the participating research team is placed:

⁶Although state-of-the-art systems divide the available bandwidth into several thousand subcarriers, they eventually form several hundred groups of adjacent subcarriers sharing the same channel information in order to lower the number of parameters.

- Yezi Huang (PhD student at Lund University, based at Ericsson Research in Stockholm). Supported by and working full-time on the project.
- Eduardo Medeiros (PhD student at Lund University and research engineer at Ericsson Research based in Stockholm). Working part-time on the project with most involvement in WP2.
- Per Ola Börjesson (PhD, Docent, Professor at Lund University). Co-applicant and co-supervisor of PhD students.
- Thomas Magesacher (Docent, Associate Professor at Lund University, based at Ericsson Research in Stockholm). Main applicant, project leader, PhD student supervisor.

Cooperation with Ericsson Research enables access to test cables, laboratory equipment, and vector signal analyzers required for the verification step. The research group has a background in the area of wireline channel modeling working in this hybrid academia/industry constellation on several projects, for example, “High-frequency reflection and transmission channels” (VR-2008-3883) and “Joint space-frequency modelling of twisted-pairs for Gigabit transmission” (VR-2011-5831).

A.4 Significance

The issue of sudden termination-induced channel changes is of great interest to communication system designers and equipment providers and has been recognized by standardization bodies and industry consortia such as ITU and Broadband Forum [17–20]. From a scientific point of view, our preliminary work [21] on assessing the impact of sudden channel changes has already received substantial recognition by our academic peers through two best-paper awards at the community’s flagship conference.

Last but not least, the project is motivated by a concrete application: enabling next-generation wireline access system as well as backhaul transmission over the access network for emerging small-cell networks. The group’s close cooperation with the world’s leading mobile-network infrastructure designer as industry partner can enable the exploitation of successful concepts developed by this project within a few years.

A.5 Preliminary results

Unless stated otherwise, citations in this section refer to our own work. As bandwidth grows, termination mismatch has more and more impact on the performance of wideband vectoring systems. In practice, a termination mismatch on the customer-premises side occurs when users turn off or disconnect their equipment or simply pick up their phones. At the network-side, a termination mismatch may—although probably less frequently—be caused by imperfect maintenance. Measurements have shown that termination mismatch causes enormous matrix-channel changes [30]. The results have been confirmed by other groups [17–19].

First evaluations of the corresponding impact on performance are dramatic [21]. Fig. 3 illustrates the signal-to-noise power ratio (SNR) degradation for a user employing vectoring before and after changing the termination of a single line outside the vectored group. Lines or users outside the vectored group do neither participate in joint processing of signals nor can they

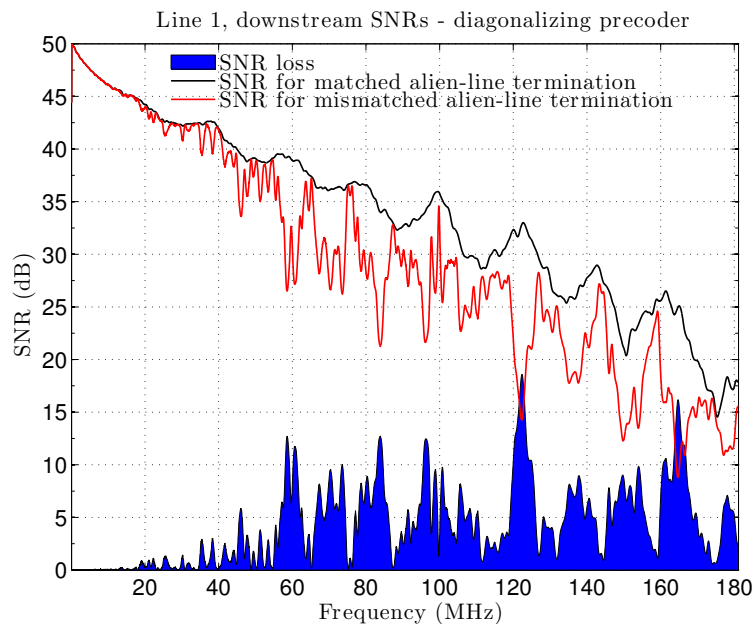


Figure 3: Impact of alien-line impedance mismatch: the drop in receive SNR (shaded blue area) when changing the alien-line termination from 100 Ohm (solid black line) to open (solid red line) can be significant. (Example for line no. 1 in a 2-line vectored group transmitting over a 100 m 30-pair cable.)

be controlled or monitored and are thus referred to as *alien lines*. Two problems arise: First, the loss in SNR is tremendous for wide portions of the used band, which reduces spectral efficiency. Second, and more importantly, the SNR changes by far exceed feasible safety margins that could be introduced to account for non-stationary channel effects. Traditional remedies such as stronger coding, SNR margins, or retransmission schemes fail and a sudden channel change of that magnitude will jeopardize system stability.

Earlier work [28, 31–35] laid the necessary foundations for multi-conductor transmission line modeling this project is capitalizing on. A first hint towards sparsity and an idea of a corresponding model reflecting the sparsity property in matrix wireline channels is under investigation [25]. A non-model-based slow channel tracking algorithm using the least-squares approach, which has been studied in [21], clearly emphasized the need for and the potential of faster tracking approaches exploiting structural channel knowledge. First results on a system-level approach to model-based control of the vectoring engine have revealed tremendous improvements in minimizing the duration-of-impact of a sudden channel change [29].

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Interdisciplinarity

My application is interdisciplinary

An interdisciplinary research project is defined in this call for proposals as a project that can not be completed without knowledge, methods, terminology, data and researchers from more than one of the Swedish Research Councils subject areas; Medicine and health, Natural and engineering sciences, Humanities and social sciences and Educational sciences. If your research project is interdisciplinary according to this definition, you indicate and explain this here.

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Scientific report

Scientific report/Account for scientific activities of previous project

Budget and research resources

Project staff

Describe the staff that will be working in the project and the salary that is applied for in the project budget. Enter the full amount, not in thousands SEK.

Participating researchers that accept an invitation to participate in the application will be displayed automatically under Dedicated time for this project. Note that it will take a few minutes before the information is updated, and that it might be necessary for the project leader to close and reopen the form.

Dedicated time for this project

Role in the project	Name	Percent of full time
1 Applicant	Thomas Magesacher	5
2 Participating researcher	Yezi Huang	85
3 Participating researcher	Eduardo Medeiros	20

Salaries including social fees

Role in the project	Name	Percent of salary	2016	2017	Total
1 Applicant	Thomas Magesacher	5	47,290	48,708	95,998
2 Participating researcher	Yezi Huang	80	385,735	397,307	783,042
3 Participating researcher	Eduardo Medeiros	20	96,434	99,327	195,761
Total			529,459	545,342	1,074,801

Other costs

Describe the other project costs for which you apply from the Swedish Research Council. Enter the full amount, not in thousands SEK.

Premises

Type of premises	2016	2017
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Running Costs

Running Cost	Description	2016	2017
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Depreciation costs

Depreciation cost	Description	2016	2017
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Total project cost

Below you can see a summary of the costs in your budget, which are the costs that you apply for from the Swedish Research Council. Indirect costs are entered separately into the table.

Under Other costs you can enter which costs, aside from the ones you apply for from the Swedish Research Council, that the project includes. Add the full amounts, not in thousands of SEK.

The subtotal plus indirect costs are the total per year that you apply for.

Total budget

Specified costs	2016	2017	Total, applied	Other costs	Total cost
Salaries including social fees	529,459	545,342	1,074,801	56,000	1,130,801
Running costs			0		0
Depreciation costs			0		0
Premises			0		0
Subtotal	529,459	545,342	1,074,801	56,000	1,130,801
Indirect costs	222,372	229,044	451,416		451,416
Total project cost	751,831	774,386	1,526,217	56,000	1,582,217

Explanation of the proposed budget

Briefly justify each proposed cost in the stated budget.

Explanation of the proposed budget*

Trips (14000kr/year): International scientific exchange and dissemination of results involves the participation in conferences and workshops.

Equipment (28000kr): Apart from standard personal computer equipment, no extra equipment is required.

Other funding

Describe your other project funding for the project period (applied for or granted) aside from that which you apply for from the Swedish Research Council. Write the whole sum, not thousands of SEK.

Other funding for this project

Funder	Applicant/project leader	Type of grant	Reg no or equiv.	2016	2017
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5. **Current employment:** Associate professor at the *Department of Electrical and Information Technology*, *Lund University*, Sweden

6. Previous employment:

- Apr 2008 – Sep 2011* Assistant professor at the *Department of Information Technology*, *Lund University*, Sweden.
Apr 2007 – Mar 2008 Post doctoral fellow at the *Department of Electrical Engineering*, *Stanford University*, *Stanford*, USA.
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Jul 1997 – May 2002 Concept engineer in the field of wireline and cable transmission systems with *Infineon Technologies*, Austria.

7. Interruption of research:

- Nov 2014 – Mar 2015* Parental leave

8. Supervision of PhD students: -

- Main supervisor of *Yezi Huang*, *Lund University, Sweden*
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- Co-supervisor of *Fredrik Lindqvist*, *Lund University, Sweden*
- Co-supervisor of *Miloš Jakovljević*, *Ciudad Universitaria, Madrid, Spain*

9. Merits/distinctions:

- IEEE Communications Society 2014 TAOS Best Paper Award in Access Networks and Systems
- Best Paper Award IEEE ICC 2014 - Symposia Paper
- awarded *9-month industry/academia-mobility grant* in 2012 from the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research (grant No. SM12-0050, 700 kSEK)
- Ingvar Carlsson Award 2009 *3-year project grant* from the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research (grant No. ICA08-0022, 3 MSEK)
- awarded *3-year project grant* in 2008 from the Swedish Research Council (grant No. 621-2008-4139, 1.8 MSEK)
- awarded *junior research grant* from the Swedish Research Council in 2007 (grant No. 621-2007-6309)
- awarded *post doctoral grant* from the Swedish Research Council in 2006 (grant No. 623-2006-5121)
- *senior member of the IEEE* since 2011
- *member of the editorial board* of the ELSEVIER International Journal on Electronics and Communications, 2007–2012
- *member of the technical program committee* of the IEEE Global Communications Conference GLOBECOM'08

10. Citations indexes: Thomas Magesacher has h-index 9 and g-index 16 based on data from Google Scholar. The numbers of citations of the 16 most-cited publications are 65, 28, 27, 24, 22, 15, 15, 15, 14, 8, 8, 8, 8, 7, 7, 7.

11. Collaboration: (selection)

- *John M. Cioffi*, Professor at the Department of Electrical Engineering, Stanford University, CA, USA
- *Lajos Gazsi*, Professor at Ruhr Universität Bochum, Bochum, Germany and Fellow with Infineon Technologies AG, Germany
- *Stephen McLaughlin*, Professor at the Institute for Digital Communications, Signals and Systems Group, University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK
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2. Doctoral exam: Ph.D. in Telecommunication Theory, Lund University, 1980.

3. Post-doctoral visits: -

4. Docent competence: Docent in Telecommunication Theory, Lund University, 1983.

5. Current employment: Senior Professor of Signal Processing at the *Department of Electrical and Information Technology, Lund University, Lund*, 2012–, 20% active in research.

6. Previous employment:

1998 – 2012 Professor of Signal Processing at *Lund University, Lund*.

1988 – 1998 Professor of Signal Processing at *Luleå University of Technology, Luleå*.

1987 – 1988 Consulting engineer, working with research, development and education.

1985 – 1986 Established and was the Managing Director of *Elektronikcentrum i Svängsta AB, Svängsta*.

1982 – 1985 Designer and Project Director at *Facit AB / Ericsson AB, Svängsta*.

1979 – 1982 Developed biomedical measurement and signal processing systems for the *Department of Biomedical Engineering at Malmö General Hospital, Malmö*.

1972 – 1979 Teaching and Research Assistant at the *Lund University, Lund*.

1970 – 1972 Working with theoretical aspects of radar and laser systems at *L.M. Ericsson, Mölndal*.

7. Interruption of research: -

8. Examined PhD candidates (year of disputation, name):

1993 Lennart Olsson *
 1993 Kalevi Hyypä *
 1995 Per Ödling*
 1995 Håkan B. Eriksson*
 1995 Sven Nordebo*
 1996 Magnus Sandell*
 1996 Ove Edfors*
 1997 Jan-Olof Gustavsson*
 1998 Jan-Jaap van de Beek*
 2004 Daniel Landström **
 2005 Niklas Andgart **
 2006 Thomas Magesacher **
 2012 Fredrik Lindqvist **

*) with Per Ola Börjesson as Main Supervisor.

***) From 1999 and ahead all the Ph.D. candidates of Per Ola Börjesson have Per Ödling as Main Supervisor and Per Ola Börjesson as assistant supervisor. Per Ola Börjesson also has the role as a mentor for other supervisors.

9. Articles with high citations: The articles [1] and [2] are groundbreaking works concerning synchronization and channel estimation for OFDM systems, published several years before the scientific area got the attention it has today. Due to the works' relevance for the 4G-system, these articles are now frequently cited: 2347 and 1580 times respectively according to Google Scholar. The synchronization article, [1], has been among the "Top Accessed Documents for the Month" in Transaction on Signal Processing for at least a year.

10. Citations indexes: Per Ola Börjesson has h-index 24 and g-index 91 based on data from Google Scholar. The numbers of citations of the 24 most-cited publications based on Google Scholar are 2347, 1580, 1535, 431, 286, 250, 200, 160, 146, 119, 104, 96, 78, 69, 65, 60, 46, 43, 36, 33, 28, 26, 25, 24.

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Publications of Thomas Magesacher

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g-index: 16

Citation-count source: Google Scholar.

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- Publications older than 8 years are not included unless they are among the five most cited publications ([J3],[C21],[J8],[C19],[J9]) or impact the h-/g-index.
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1. Refereed journal papers

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Publications of Per Ola Börjesson

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