Recommendation of Downlink Subframe Control Channel Structure

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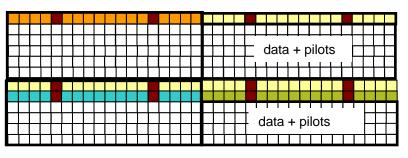
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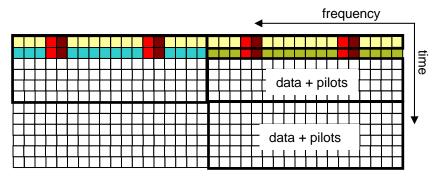
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DL Subframe Control Channel Design Proposal

- DL subframe control channel used for
 - → DL allocation and UL grant
 - → Conveying MIMO, redundancy version for HARQ etc.
 - →Indicating pilot format for data resource blocks
- DL subframe control channel transmission supports
 - → Beamforming
 - **→** Dedicated pilots which are used to beam-form the control channel
 - ⇒SFBC and Precoder Based Beamforming
 - **⇒**Common pilots are used for this purpose
 - → Subframe Bundling
 - → Multiple subframes share one control channel
 - Reduces overhead
 - →Increases coverage
 - → Microsleep
 - **⇒**Control channel is TDM'd thus saving battery life
- DL subframe control channel structure
 - → Control channel is per-user based
 - → Can be power controlled and Beam-formed
 - → Connection ID is implicit by exclusively OR'ing it with the CRC
 - → Control channel is organized into time-frequency resource quanta called control mini-tile (CMT)
 - → Each CMT may contain either dedicated or common pilots
 - →One or multiple CMTs are concatenated to send control information to a user
 - ⇒ Concatenation of multiple CMTs to reduce coding rate and thus increasing coverage

Subframe Control Message





Ex: 1 or 2 baud control for 1 subframe, supporting 1 virtual antenna

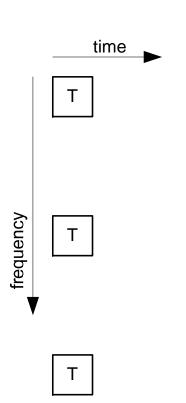
Ex: 2 baud control for 2 subframes, supporting 2 virtual antennas

•TDM control and data regions

- → Control Mini-Tiles (CMT) as building block for control channel
- Pilot for (virtual) antenna-1
 Pilot for (virtual) antenna-2
- **→** Dedicated pilots used to beam-form subframe control channel
- **⇒**Common pilots used for SFBC, Pre-coding or measurement purposes
- → Flexible # of OFDM symbols for control varied based on system load, MS location etc.
 - → Lower overhead compared to fixed size control
 - → Allow multiple OFDM symbols for control to improve cell coverage
- → Enable Microsleep to save MS power
 - →After reading control information on the DL, turning off RF functions until the next control channel
 - ⇒Enhanced micro sleep with subframe grouping [Motorola, C80216m-08_008.pdf]
- Small buffer requirements and minimum data decoding lag
- → Subframe grouping [Motorola, C80216m-08_008.pdf]
 - Reduced control overhead
 - **⇒**Enhanced micro sleep

Subframe Control Channel and CMT

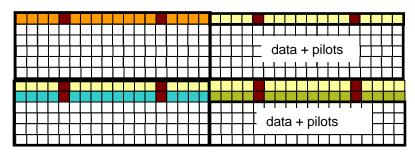
- CMT is the minimum building block of subframe control channel
- CMT size is same as two bins of WiMAX AMC: 18 subcarriers x 1 symbol
- Multiple CMT forms one control channel
 distributed in frequency
- Support user-specific beamforming, power control, FFR, MCS
- Enable blind decoding of control information by the MS with limited complexity
- Support multiple virtual antennas (to enable SFBC, beamforming)



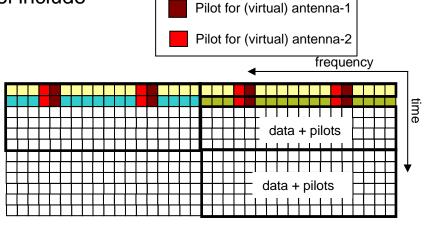
Proposed Text to 16m SDD (Section 11 --- PHY)

11.x Downlink subframe control channel

- Subframe control channel conveys DL Allocation, UL Grant, Pilot Format for data region
- DL subframe control channel is TDM'd with DL data within a subframe
- Subframe control channel is made up of multiple control channel mini tile (CMT)
 - One CMT contains 18 subcarriers by 1 OFDM symbol
- Transmission schemes for subframe control channel include
 - Beamforming, SFBC, CDD, Precoding etc
- CMT permutation
 - Distributed
- Pilot format for subframe control channel include
 - Common pilot
 - Dedicated pilot



Ex: 1 or 2 baud control for 1 subframe, supporting 1 virtual antenna



Ex: 2 baud control for 2 subframes, supporting 2 virtual antennas