

ABSTRACT

Some positioning system methods have been developed in any country. Providers have to develop this service well. This application will be useful for subscribers. Hyperbolic position location system or Time Difference of Arrival (TDOA) is a technology that can give positioning information accurately using existing cellular infrastructure without adding hardware/software implementation at Mobile Station (MS) Headset.

This paper will observe the performance of Mobile Station positioning using TDOA with simulated by Matlab 7. Taylor-series algorithm is used to get position estimation. This algorithm offers position estimation accurately and applicable in any different measurement.

The result shows that minimum noise level (E_b/N_0) is 16 dB to resulting minimum error at position location. For E_b/N_0 up to 16 dB, RMS error value is stable. Mobile station position is also influenced by succeeding position location. Generally, simulation shows that RMS error is larger if the MS distance to reference BTS is shorter. It is caused by the distance of MS to other BTS is longer and TDOA of its signal is longer. Because cross correlation process is not signal selective, so RMS error will be higher. This position location system will not correctly at Rayleigh fading, so that it is required the techniques to solve fading effect. More active users per cell will have higher RMS error value.