

Transmitting Audio through Li-Fi

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Abstract - Li-Fi stands for light Fidelity. Li-Fi is a wireless optical networking technology that uses light emitting diodes (LEDs) for transmission of information. The term Li-Fi refers to visible light communication (VLC) technology that uses light as medium to deliver high-speed communication in a manner the same as Wi-Fi. This paper focuses on Li-Fi, its applications, features and comparison with existing technologies like Wi-Fi etc. Wi-Fi is of major use for general wireless coverage among building, whereas Li-Fi is right for high density wireless information coverage in confined space and particularly helpful for applications in areas where radio interference problems are of concern, that the two technologies are often thought-about complimentary. Li-Fi provides higher bandwidth, efficiency, connectivity and security than Wi-Fi and has already achieved high speeds larger than 1 Gbps under the laboratory conditions. Li-Fi is the transfer of information through light by taking fiber out of fiber optics and sending data through LED light bulb

Key Words - Li-Fi, LED, VLC, speed 1Gbps

1. INTRODUCTION

Li-Fi is a new means of wireless communication that uses diode lights to transmit information wirelessly. Transmission of information is one of the most necessary day to day activities in the quick growing world. This wireless network that connect us to the internet are terribly slow when multiple devices are connected. Li-Fi may be a breakthrough technology within the lighting and communications sectors enabling wireless transfer of data by modulating light with benefits like high security, while not sacrificing the liberty of wireless communication. It will give lower latencies compared to Wi-Fi, particularly in congested radio frequency (RF) environments, that is vital in facilitating higher product throughputs. By Communication through visible light, Li-Fi technology has the chance to alter how we access the net, stream videos, receive emails and much more. Security wouldn't be a difficulty as information can't be accessed in the absence of light. As a result, it can be utilized in high security military areas where RF communication is susceptible to eavesdropping.

2. PROPOSED WORKING

Light Fidelity (Li-Fi) technology is a wireless communication system based on the use of visible light between the violet (800 THz) and red (400 THz). Unlike Wi-Fi that uses the radio part of the spectrum, Li-Fi uses the optical spectrum i.e. visible light part of the spectrum. The principle of Li-Fi

relies on sending information by amplitude modulation of the light source in a very well-defined and standardized manner. LEDs are often switched on and off quicker than the human eyes can notice since the operational speed of LEDs is less than one microsecond. This invisible on-off activity allows information transmission using binary codes. If the LED is on, a digital '1' is transmitted and if the LED is off, a digital '0' is transmitted. Also, these LEDs are often switched on and off very quickly which provides us a really nice opportunity for transmitting data through LED lights.

3. WORKING OF PROPOSED MODEL

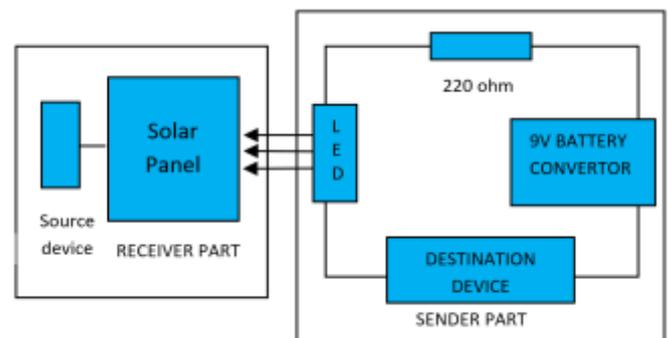


Fig. 1 – Working of Li-Fi

The working of Li-Fi is incredibly straightforward. There's a light emitter on one end i.e. an LED transmitter, and a photo detector (light sensor) on the opposite. The information input to the LED transmitter is encoded in to the light (technically mentioned as visible light Communication) by varying the flickering rate at which the LEDs flicker "on" and "off" to generate different strings of 1s and 0s. The on- off activity of the LED transmitter that looks to be invisible (The LED intensity is modulated so rapidly that human eye cannot notice, that the light of the LED seems constant to humans), allows data transmission in light form in accordance with the incoming binary codes: switching ON a LED is a logical '1', switching it OFF is a logical '0'. By varying the speed at which the LEDs flicker on and off, info can be encoded within the light to completely different combinations of 1s and 0s. During a typical setup, the transmitter (LED) is connected to the data and also the receiver (Photo detector/Solar panel) on the receiving end receives the data as light signal and decodes the data, which is then displayed on the device connected to the receiver. The receiver (Solar panel) registers a binary '1' when the transmitter (LED) is ON and a binary '0' when the transmitter (LED) is OFF. Once the audio cable is connected to a source like mobile phones, the audio

signals gets converted into LI-FI signals. Then from the LED the LI-FI signals falls on the solar panel. The solar panel receives the light signals from the LED. This signal is then converted to audio signals then the audio is played on the destination like a speaker.

4. COMPONENTS REQUIRED

- [1] Solar Panels
- [2] LEDs
- [3] 3.5mm Audio Cable
- [4] Speakers
- [5] Battery

5. FEATURES

- [1] Real time monitoring
- [2] Improved maintenance identification
- [3] Enhanced automation
- [4] Informed decisions
- [5] Increased security
- [6] Wireless connectivity in RF hostile environments
- [7] Larger information density

6. ADVANTAGES

- [1] **Efficiency** - Energy consumption is often minimised with the utilization of LED illumination that are already out there within the home, offices and Mall etc. for lighting purpose. Thus, the transmission of information requiring negligible extra power, that makes it very efficient in terms of costs as well as energy.
- [2] **High speed** - Combination of low interference, high bandwidths and high-intensity output, facilitate Li-Fi provide high data rates i.e. 1 Gbps or even beyond. Availability: Availability isn't a problem as light sources are present all over. Where there's a light source, there will be internet. Light bulbs are present everywhere in homes, offices, shops, malls and even planes, which might be used as a medium for the information transmission.
- [3] **Cheaper** - Li-Fi not only needs fewer components for its operating, but also uses only a negligible extra power for the data transmission.
- [4] **Security** - One main advantage of Li-Fi is security. Since light cannot go through opaque structures, Li-Fi net is available only to the users inside a confined space and

can't be intercepted and misused, outside the area under operation.

- [5] **Li-Fi technology** - it has an excellent scope in future. The in-depth growth in the use of LEDs for illumination indeed provides the chance to integrate the technology into a plethora of environments and applications.

7. LIMITATIONS

- [1] Internet can't be accessed without a light source. This might limit the locations and situations during which Li-Fi can be used.
- [2] It needs a near or excellent line-of-sight to transmit information.
- [3] Opaque obstacles on pathways will have an effect on information transmission.
- [4] Natural light, sunlight, and traditional light bulb will have an effect on the information transmission speed.
- [5] Light waves don't penetrate through walls and then Li-Fi contains a much shorter range than Wi-Fi.
- [6] High initial installation cost, if used to set up a full-fledged data network.

8. FUTURE SCOPE

As light is all over and free to use, there's an excellent scope for the utilization and evolution of Li-Fi technology. If this technology becomes mature, every Li-Fi bulb are often used to transmit wireless information. As the Li-Fi technology becomes widespread, it'll cause a cleaner, greener, safer communications and have a bright future and environment. The thought of Li-Fi is deriving many folks because it is free (require no license) and quicker means of data transfer. If it evolves quicker, individuals can use this technology more and more.

9. CONCLUSION

Though there's still an extended way to go to create this technology a commercial success, it guarantees an excellent potential within the field of wireless internet. A significant number of researchers and corporations are presently working on this idea, which guarantees to unravel the problem of lack of radio spectrum, space and low internet connection speed. By deployment of this technology, we will migrate to greener, cleaner, safer communication networks. The very thought of Li-Fi guarantees to resolve problems like, shortage of radio-frequency bandwidth and eliminates the disadvantages of Radio communication technologies. Li-Fi is the upcoming and growing technology acting as catalyst for numerous different developing and new inventions/technologies. Therefore, there's certainty of development of future applications of the Li-Fi which might

be extended to completely different platforms and various walks of human life.

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