

# Design of Spectrum Sensing Test Bed Using SIMULINK for Cognitive Radio Application

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## Abstract

This work shows a reach identifying system considering the entropy of repeat region autocorrelation of tolerating sign at different cyclic frequencies. The execution of the proposed identifying methodology is differentiated and other distinguishing frameworks, for instance, imperativeness acknowledgment using Bayesian and Neyman Pearson criteria, entropy estimation under repeat space, cyclostationary highlight ID. The execution of identifying figuring's is also penniless down for single centre and multi-centre Point Pleasant environment under most conceivable channel sways, for instance, obscuring, shadowing, gatherer's helplessness and liberates space way hardship using Monte Carlo techniques. Entertainment results reveal that the proposed distinguishing framework can perceive banners of sign to-tumult extent up to 24 dB with five centres in cooperation while keeping up a false alert probability of 0.1 and acknowledgment probability of 0.9.

## 1 Introduction

The Field of component territory access focuses on new and to a great degree dynamic strategies for supervising extend that widen past the standard summon and control strategy for regulation [5,7]. Dynamic reach access techniques ensure more essential apparition use profitability and enhanced access to repeat run and can enable more mechanically and monetarily creative businesses of this advantage. We consider an arrangement of subjective radio centre points working inside an extent band which is bestowed to various Systems including high need vital customers and other assistant use scholarly frameworks. Centre Points of the framework heading to set up framework system using range white space bunches which are unused at a given time and place [9]. As the openness of such white space range depends on the operation of various Frameworks in the band, it may shift all of a sudden after some time. Centre points ought to in this way conform to overwhelmingly keep up framework

accessibility and enhance usage of the available resources [5]. The test of subjective framework coordination in this way incorporates the establishment of correspondence associations inside a framework and the healthy backing of these associations under conditions of changing reach openness [2]. Range Sensing is a key a portion of Cognitive Radio. We will probably utilize the unfilled guides in the extent to diminish the action in congested regions [6]. Proper recognizing outlines the establishment of this item described radio. Similarly, correspondence should not be damaged by obscuring. Range recognizing in mental radio is material to radio frequencies in a manner of speaking [8]. Viewing the unused scope of an approved customer is fundamental to a scholarly radio. Subsequently, the vital customer (PU) is identified incessantly to allow channel adaptability to another part of the reach; if the key customer begins to transmit. Objective of this Seminar is to study repeat go powerful traits apparently with the help of MATLAB 14b and RTL-SDR pack [9].

## 2 Cognitive Radio and Spectrum Sensing

A "Cognitive Radio" is a radio that can change its transmitter parameters in view of connection with the earth in which it works [4]. Mental radio development is the key advancement that engages a Next Generation (xG) framework to use range dynamically. Scholarly radio (CR) gives a framework to a contraption to survey exchange offs really taking shape of continuously made associations. Dynamic Spectrum Access is consistently used adjacent Cognitive Radio. Dynamic Spectrum Access incorporates sharing of the extent between the crucial and helper customers. The key or approved customer is given need as they hold the license. The assistant customer is offered agree to make usage of the extent at whatever point the vital customer is not dynamic. Subjective Radio can find applications in various fields going from the military to general society wellbeing space [7]. There is a mix of bound together and decentralized frameworks, heterogeneous systems that need to interoperate with each other. Countless systems ought to be sent into an extraordinary degree undermining conditions. Frameworks may need to use changing measures of information transmission either by chance or for more terms. Subjective Radio makes starting sending less requesting by empowering

self-course of action of frameworks wherever possible with fitting models. In spots where snappy association is a need, any reduced manual outline is a Welcome move. Range Sensing is a key some portion of Cognitive Radio. We will probably utilize the empty guides in the reach to reduce the development in congested regions. Proper recognizing outlines the establishment of this item described radio [9]. Furthermore, correspondence should not be harmed by obscuring. Range distinguishing in scholarly radio is material to radio frequencies so to speak. Viewing the unused scope of an approved customer is urgent to a mental radio [2]. Thusly, the fundamental customer is recognized on and on to allow channel convey ability to another part of the extent; in case the vital customer clothing to transmit [7]. Range identifying methodologies are essentialness distinguishing proof based, composed channel acknowledgment based and cyclostationary highlight. The moment the key customer gets to the extent, the assistant customer needs to move to an unused part of the reach from this definition, two central characteristics of the subjective radio can be described.

**2.1 Cognitive capability**

Subjective capacity alludes to the capacity of the radio innovation to catch or sense the data from its radio surroundings. This ability can't just be acknowledged by checking the force in some recurrence band of interest yet more advanced systems are required keeping in mind the end goal to catch the fleeting and spatial varieties in the radio environment and stay away from impedance to different clients. Through this capacity, the bits of the range that are unused at a particular time or area can be recognized [7].

**2.2 Reconfigurability**

The intellectual capacity gives range mindfulness though reconfigurability empowers the radio to be progressively modified by radio environment [5]. All the more particularly, the subjective radio can be customized to transmit and get on an assortment of frequencies and to utilize distinctive transmission access advancements upheld by its equipment plan.

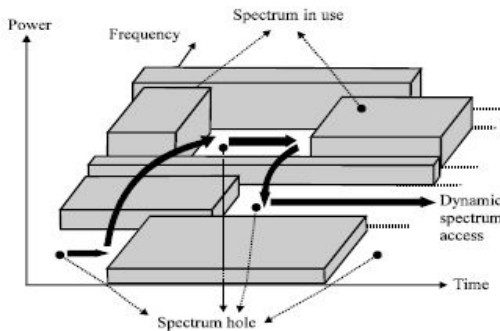


Fig. 1: The Spectrum-Hole Concept

A definitive target of the subjective radio is to get the best accessible range through intellectual ability and reconfigurability as depicted some time recently. Since a

large portion of the range is now allocated, the most essential test is to impart the authorized range without meddling to the transmission of other authorized clients as represented in Figure 1. The intellectual radio empowers the use of transiently unused range, which is alluded to as range gap or white space. In the event that this band is further utilized by an authorized client, the intellectual radio moves to another range gap or stays in the same band, changing its transmission power level [8].

**3 Cognitive Radio Network Architecture.**

Existing remote system models utilize heterogeneity regarding both range approaches and correspondence advancements. Also, some bit of the remote range is as of now authorized to various purposes while some groups stay unlicensed. For the improvement of correspondence conventions, a reasonable portrayal of the CR system design is fundamental. In this study, the CR system engineering is introduced such that every single conceivable situation is considered [6].

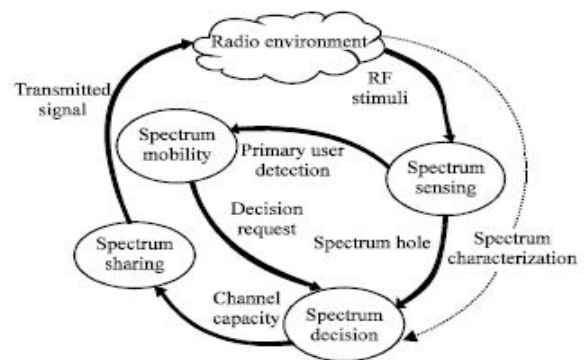


Fig. 2: The Cognitive Radio Cycle

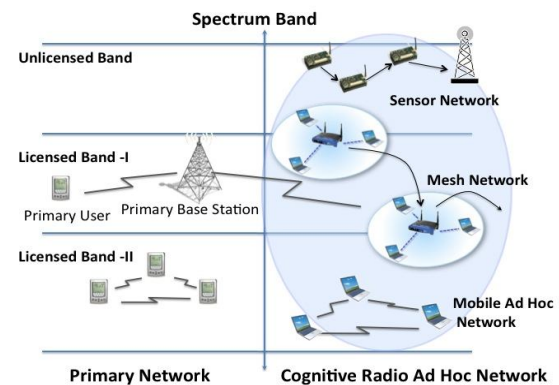


Fig. 3. The Cognitive radio Network

It is used to describe the CR network. The components of the CR network architecture can be classified in two groups as the primary network and the CR network [4]. The basic elements of the primary and the CR network are defined as follows:

### 3.1 Primary network

An existing network infrastructure is generally referred to as the primary network which has an exclusive right to a certain spectrum band. Examples include the common cellular and TV broadcast networks. The components of the primary network are as follows:

### 3.2 Primary user

Primary user (or licensed user) has a license to operate in a certain spectrum band. This access can only be controlled by the primary base-station and should not be affected by the operations of any other unlicensed users. Primary users do not need any modification or additional functions for coexistence with CR base-stations and CR users.

### 3.3 Primary base-station

Primary base-station (or licensed base-station) is a fixed infrastructure network component which has a spectrum license such as Base-station Transceiver System (BTS) in a cellular system. In principle, the primary base-station does not have any CR capability for sharing spectrum with CR users. However, the primary base-station may be requested to have both legacy and CR protocols for the primary network access of CR users.

### 3.4 xG network

CR network (or Cognitive radio network, Dynamic spectrum access network, Secondary network and unlicensed network) does not have license to operate in a desired band. Hence, the spectrum access is allowed only in an opportunistic manner. CR networks can be deployed both as an infrastructure network and an ad-hoc network as shown. The components of a CR network are as follows:

### 3.5 xG user

CR user (or unlicensed user, cognitive radio user and secondary user) has no spectrum license. Hence, additional functionalities are required to share the licensed spectrum band [9].

### 3.6 xG base-stations

xG base-station (or unlicensed and secondary base-station) is a fixed infrastructure component with CR capabilities. CR base-station provides single hop connection to CR users without spectrum access license. Through this connection, a CR user can access other networks [7].

### 3.7 Spectrum broker

Spectrum broker (or scheduling server) is a central network entity that plays a role in sharing the spectrum resources among different CR networks. Spectrum broker can be connected to each network and can serve as a spectrum information manager to enable coexistence of multiple CR networks. The reference CR network architecture consists of

different types of networks; a primary network, an infrastructure based CR network and an ad-hoc CR network. CR networks are operated under the mixed spectrum environment that consists of both licensed and unlicensed bands. Also, CR users can either communicate with each other in a multi-hop manner or access the base-station. Thus in CR networks, there are three different access types [1].

### 3.8 CR network access

CR users can access their own CR base-station both on licensed and unlicensed spectrum bands.

### 3.9 xG ad-hoc access

xG users can communicate with other xG users through ad-hoc connection on both licensed and unlicensed spectrum bands.

### 3.10 Primary network access

The CR users can also access the primary base-station through the licensed band.

## 4 Cooperative Spectrum Sensing

The critical challenging issue in spectrum sensing is the hidden terminal problem which occurs when the CR is shadowed or in severe multi-path fading. It shows that CR3 is shadowed by a high building over the sensing channel. In this case, the CR cannot sense the presence of the primary, user and thus, it is allowed to access the channel while the PU is still in operation [3].

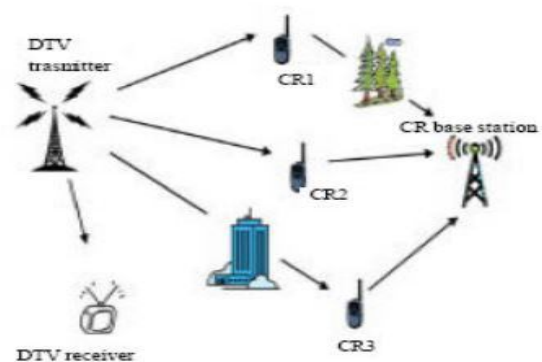


Fig. 4: Cooperative spectrum sensing in CR networks. CR 1 is shadowed over the reporting channel and CR 3 is shadowed over the sensing channel

To address this issue, multiple CRs can be designed to collaborate in spectrum sensing (Cabric *et al.*, 2004). Recent research has shown that cooperative spectrum sensing can greatly increase the probability of detection in fading channels (Ghasemi and Sousa, 2005). It shows the spectrum sensing structure in a cognitive radio network. In general,

cooperative spectrum sensing can be performed as described below (Ben Letaief and Zhang, 2009) [5].

- Every CR performs its own local spectrum sensing measurements independently and then makes a binary decision on whether the PU is present or not.
- All of the CRs forward their decisions to a common receiver.
- The common receiver fuses the CR decisions and makes a final decision to infer the absence or presence of the PU.

The above agreeable range detecting methodology can be seen as a DF convention for helpful systems where every agreeable accomplice settles on a twofold choice in light of the nearby perception and after that advances one piece of the choice to the basic recipient. At the normal recipient, each of the 1-bit choices are combined by OR rationale. We should allude to this methodology as choice combination. An option type of helpful range detecting can be executed as takes after. Rather than transmitting, the 1-bit choice to the basic collector in step 2 of the above calculation every CR can simply send its perception esteem straightforwardly to the regular recipient. This option methodology can then be seen as an AF convention for helpful systems. We might allude to this methodology as information combination. Clearly, the 1-bit choice needs a low data transfer capacity control channel [6].

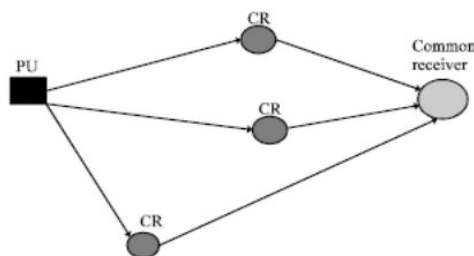


Fig 5: Spectrum sensing structure in a cognitive radio network

**Sensing diversity gain:** It can be seen that cooperative spectrum sensing will go through two successive channels: sensing channel (from the PU to CRs) and reporting channel (from the CRs to the common receiver). The merit of cooperative spectrum sensing primarily lies in the achievable space diversity brought by the sensing channels, namely, sensing diversity gain, provided by the multiple CRs. Even though, one CR may fail to detect the signal of the PU, there are still many chances for other CRs to detect it [1]. With the increase of the number of cooperative CRs, the probability of missed detection for all the users will be extremely small. Another merit of cooperative spectrum sensing is the mutual benefit brought forward by communicating with each other to improve the sensing performance [1]. When one CR is far away from the primary user, the received signal may be too weak to be detected. However by employing a CR that is located nearby the PU as a relay, the signal of the PU can be

detected reliably by the far user. The following is a simulation result shown based on cooperative gain and the number of users. Cooperative sensing is characterized by cooperative gain [2]. This is defined as the improvement in probability of detection/false alarm due to cooperation. The plot shows the cooperative gain resulting from cooperative spectrum sensing with increasing number of users. Limitation of cooperative spectrum sensing is that in practice, the reporting channels between the CRs and the common receiver will also experience fading and shadowing. This will typically deteriorate the transmission reliability of the sensing results reported from the CRs to the common receiver [2].

## 5 Cognitive Transmissions with Multiple Relays

CR users in a CR ad-hoc network can communicate with each other in a multi-hop manner. Reasons to use the relaying concept in CR ad-hoc network are:

To enhance or maintain the data quality. Since, data travelling over a long distance is subjected to degradation; use relay nodes to transmit data without degradation.

To provide correctness of data. Consider two paths are available to transmit a message from source to destination where one is a direct path and another is an indirect path. If the direct path is prone to change the content of the message and not the indirect path then the indirect path is selected to transmit the message using relaying is preferred.

In conventional (non-intellectual radio) different hand-off systems, three transfer conventions (i.e., settled transferring, choice handing-off and incremental handing-off) have been concentrated broadly. It is watched that the upsides of such transferring conventions are accomplished at the expense of a lessening in ghostly proficiency since; the transfers utilized transmit on orthogonal channels to abstain from meddling each other [4]. To address the inadequacy of a wasteful usage of the range asset, a best-hand-off choice convention has been researched and where just the best hand-off is chosen to forward a source hub's sign and consequently just two channels (i.e., the best transfer interface and direct connection) are required paying little mind to the quantity of transfers [6]. It has been appeared by that the best-hand-off determination plan can accomplish the same assorted qualities multi-plexing tradeoff execution as the conventional conventions where all transfers are included in sending the source hub's sign. Likewise, the best-transfer choice is additionally an appealing hand-off convention for intellectual radio systems because of its range productivity [5, 7]. Notwithstanding, contrasted and the best-hand-off transmission in customary remote systems, subjective radio systems has the common impedance between the essential and the intellectual clients as a testing issue for thought, particularly in a transfer system situation. Subsequently, detecting exactness is essential for maintaining a strategic distance from the obstruction created to the essential clients. The precision can be expanded by helpful detecting considering both range effectiveness and impedance shirking [8, 9].

It is also assumed that  $>1$  CR node can share the radio spectrum within one PU operating range when the PU is inactive. Furthermore, assumed that each PU operates in a wide-band channel consisting of a number of non-overlapping frequency bands  $f_1, f_2, f_N$ , where  $N$  denotes the total number of frequency bands in the bandwidth of PUs (Ben Letaief and Zhang, 2009). Each cognitive relay first gets the spectrum map of its local channel environment by spectrum sensing.

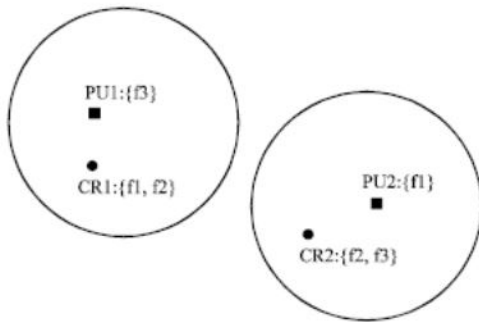


Fig 6: Example of cognitive wireless network. CR1 is within transmission range of PU1 and CR2 is in the range of PU2. The two PUs are in operation independently

The number of available bands varies from one relay to another in cognitive relay networks. One of the benefits of the cognitive relay network is that seamless transmission can be realized [2]. Without cognitive relay, the source node (cognitive user) will send data to the destination node directly when the source-destination channel is not utilized by the PUs. If the PU returns over to the channel, the source should stop its transmission immediately so as not to cause interference to the primary system. Aided by a large number of cognitive relays, the transmission in the cognitive relay network does not necessarily stop even when some PUs is operating again. This is because there is always at least one available band in the cognitive relays that can be utilized as a relay channel to continue data transmission. Resource allocation is a fundamental problem in cognitive radio networks and has been discussed a lot in the existing researches [2]. However when the traffic demand and spectrum resource availability are largely mismatched, existing researches cannot fully utilize spectrum resource and fulfill secondary users' demands. Thus, an important issue is how to handle the unbalanced spectrum usage within the secondary network to fulfill the heterogeneous traffic demand from secondary users (Zhang *et al.*, 2009; Jia *et al.*, 2009). It is observed that some secondary users do not need to use their entire available spectrum because of the low traffic demand. If we can utilize these rich nodes as helpers to relay the other secondary user's traffic with their otherwise wasted spectrum we can improve the system performance.

Range detecting is the primary errand in psychological cycle and the fundamental test to the CRs. In range detecting considering the range and locate the unused groups and sharing it while evading the range that is involved by PU [5]. It can be characterized as [4]"action of a radio measuring

signal element". To upgrade the discovery likelihood numerous range recognition procedures can be utilized, as appeared in Figure [7, 2].

## 5.1 Transmitter detection (Non-cooperative Detection)

In transmitter detection each CR must independently have the ability to determine the presence or absence of the PU.

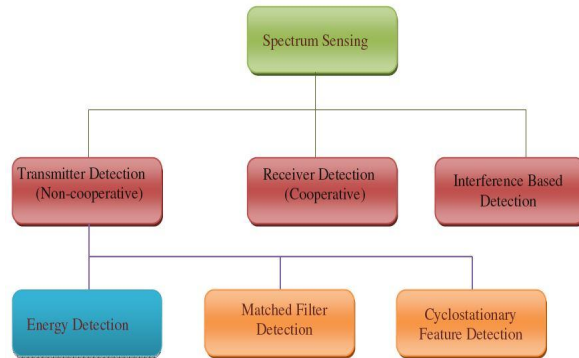


Fig 7: Spectrum Detection Techniques

### 5.1.1 Matched Filter Detection

The matched filter detector that can use as CR has been first proposed in [38]. The matched filter (also referred to as coherent detector), it can consider as a best sensing technique if CR has knowledge of PU waveform.

### 5.1.2 Cyclostationary Feature Detection

Implementation of a cyclostationary feature detector, has been first presented in [3,9], as Spectrum sensing which can differentiate the modulated signal from the additive noise. A signal is said to be cyclostationary if its mean and autocorrelation are a periodic function. Feature detection denotes to extracting features from the received signal and performing the detection based on the extracted features. Cyclostationary feature detection can distinguish PU signal from noise, and used at very low Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR) detection by using the information embedded in the PU signal that are not present in the noise. The main drawback of this method is the complexity of calculation. Also, it must deal with all the frequencies in order to generate the spectral correlation function, which makes it a very large calculation. The benefit of feature detection compared to energy detection is that it typically allows different among dissimilar signals or waveforms [7], [5]-[7], [9].

### 5.1.3 Energy Detection

Energy detection (also denoted as non-coherent detection), is the signal detection mechanism using an energy detector (also known as radiometer) to specify the presence or absence of signal in the band. The most often used approaches in the

energy detection are based on the Neyman-Pearson (NP) lemma.

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## 6 Radio Frequency Spectrum Viewing

The RF range is a part of the electromagnetic ranges those extents between 3 kHz and 300GHz [2]. We can utilize RF range widely for correspondences administrations in applications, for example, TV signals for TV, radio, portable and WiFi, and in addition route and recognition frameworks, for example, radar, GPS, radio reference points, transponders etc. The real radio frequencies utilized as a part of various applications rely on upon a wide range of physical, financial and lawful limitations including: Propagation qualities of electromagnetic waves, Antenna size and items of common sense, Sharing the same groups of the range with different clients, Government permitting bodies Figure 2 delineates a breakdown of the electromagnetic range and blueprints a percentage of the all the more surely understood correspondences benefits work Inside the RF range RTL-SDR Rafael Micro R820T tuner can be used which will be capable of receiving any signal transmitted in the frequency range 25MHz to 1.75GHz.

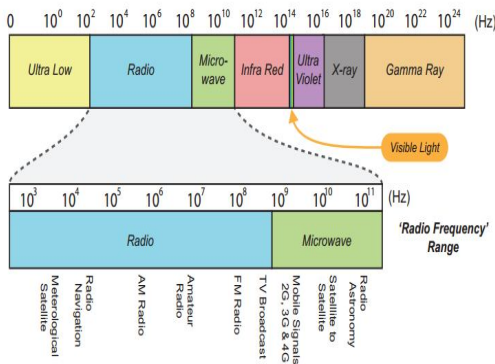


Fig 8: Radio Frequency Spectrum View

## 6.1 DIFFERENT SIGNALS, DIFFERENT FREQUENCIES

Wireless communication via RF is now an essential part of life whether it is wireless network access in offices, mobile base station backhaul, consumers texting, using voice and video communications or social media, it is likely at some point that they will be communicating over various frequency bands using standards such as Bluetooth, WiFi, GSM and LTE. Planning and listening is required in order to set rules about power levels, and ensure that interference does not occur between different broadcasters. In the UK, above tasks fall upon a Government approved body called the Office of Communications (Ofcom-ofcom.org.uk) and USA has The Federal Communications Commission (FCC-fcc.gov); likewise other countries have their own agencies. In all countries the RF spectrum has split up into number of defined frequency bands which are allocated to different users and for different applications. No two countries are exactly the same in their frequency planning for example, in the UK there are no mobile phone frequency services below 800MHz, whereas in Eastern Europe they operate down as low as 400MHz UHF band. International Telecommunications Union (ITU) has harmonised WiFi standard to IEEE 802.11 standard which operates in 2.4GHz band. FM Radio is also pretty same in all countries in the range of 88MHz to 108MHz band and nearly all radio stations are spaced at 200 kHz apart. When frequencies are harmonised, equipment designed to work in one country will likely work in others; which helps bring down the costs [1]. Modern phones are tri-band (GSM, UMTS and LTE), have ability to receive transmit at various frequencies using different front end RF hardware, which can be switched in and out depending on which country it is being used in. Virtually all modern radios and communications systems operate in broadly similar way, Baseband information signal (Music, Voice or Data) go through a process called Modulation in RF Transmitters to translate the Baseband Information into the allocated frequency band. The reverse process is carried out by RF Receivers and is referred as Demodulation which can be visualised.

## 6.2 MODEL FOR ENERGY DETECTION

Energy detector is the most popular way of spectrum sensing because of its low computational and implementation complexities [1, 2, 9]. The receivers do not need any knowledge about the primary users. An energy detector (ED) simply treats the primary signal as noise and decides on the presence or absence of the primary signal based on the energy of the observed signal. Digital implementations using FFT-based spectral estimates. It shows the architecture for digital implementation of an energy detector [8].

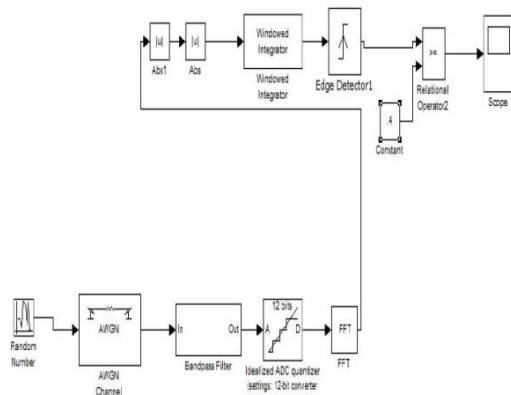


Fig 9: Model for Energy Detection

## 7. CONCLUSION

CR networks are envisaged to solve the problem of spectrum scarcity by making efficient and opportunistic use of frequencies reserved for the use of licensed users of the bands. To realize the goals of truly ubiquitous spectrum-aware communication, the CR devices need to incorporate the spectrum sensing, spectrum decision, spectrum sharing and spectrum mobility functionalities. Cooperative communications can play a key role in the development of CR networks.

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