ORTHOGONAL FREQUENCY-DIVISION MULTIPLEXING (OFDM) IS A METHOD OF DIGITAL MODULATION IN WHICH A SIGNAL IS SPLIT INTO SEVERAL NARROWBAND CHANNELS AT DIFFERENT FREQUENCIES.

CDMA IS A FORM OF MULTIPLEXING, WHICH ALLOWS NUMEROUS SIGNALS TO OCCUPY A SINGLE TRANSMISSION CHANNEL, OPTIMISING THE USE OF AVAILABLE BANDWIDTH. MULTIPLEXING IS SENDING MULTIPLE SIGNALS OR STREAMS OF INFORMATION ON A CARRIER AT THE SAME TIME IN THE FORM OF A SINGLE, COMPLEX SIGNAL AND THEN RECOVERING THE SEPARATE SIGNALS AT THE RECEIVING END.

MULTI-CARRIER (MC) CDMA IS A COMBINED TECHNIQUE OF DIRECT SEQUENCE (DS) CDMA (CODE DIVISION MULTIPLE ACCESS) AND OFDM TECHNIQUES. IT APPLIES SPREADING SEQUENCES IN THE FREQUENCY DOMAIN.

WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS HAS WITNESSED A TREMENDOUS GROWTH DURING THE PAST DECADE AND FURTHER SPECTACULAR ENABLING TECHNOLOGY ADVANCES ARE EXPECTED IN AN EFFORT TO RENDER UBQUITOUS WIRELESS CONNECTIVITY A REALITY.

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