

Introduction

- Multicarrier Interleave Division Multiple Access (MC-IDMA) has been seen as a better alternative to the other popular multiuser schemes.
- Just like all the other wireless communications systems, availability of accurate channel state information (CSI) at the receiver of the MC-IDMA system is paramount for optimum performance system.
- This paper proposes regularized version of Variable Step Size Normalized Least Mean Square algorithm (RVSSNLMS) for iterative channel estimation scheme MC-IDMA systems.

Technical Background

MC-IDMA SYSTEM MODEL

- The MC-IDMA system model considered in this article is shown in Fig. 1 (a) and Fig. 1 (b).

REGULARIZED VSSNLMS-BASED ESTIMATOR

- The RVSSNLMS-based channel estimation computes the estimates of the channel impulse response (CIR) as:

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}}_u[n+1] = \hat{\mathbf{h}}_u[n] + \mu[n]e[n] \hat{\mathbf{x}}_u^*[n] / \|\hat{\mathbf{x}}_u[n]\|^2 - \kappa \text{sgn}(\hat{\mathbf{h}}_u[n]),$$

$$e[n] = \mathbf{z}[n] - \hat{\mathbf{h}}_u^H[n] \hat{\mathbf{x}}_u[n],$$

$$\text{sgn}(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y}{|y|}, & y \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$\bar{\mu}[n] = \bar{\mu}[n-1] + \rho Re\{e[n]e^*[n-1] \hat{\mathbf{x}}_u^H[n] \hat{\mathbf{x}}_u[n-1]\} / \|\hat{\mathbf{x}}_u[n-1]\|^2$$

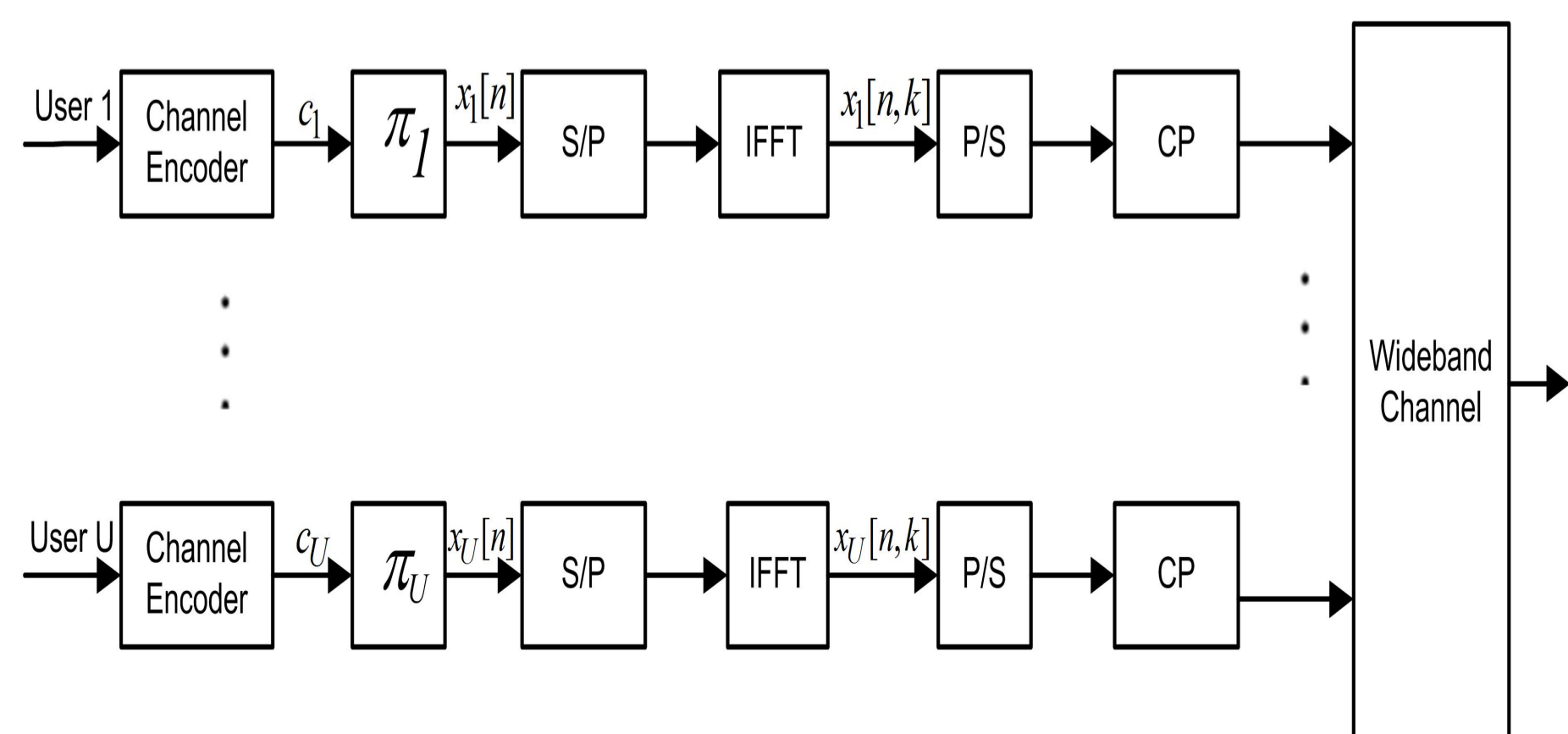


Figure 1a: MC-IDMA transmitter.

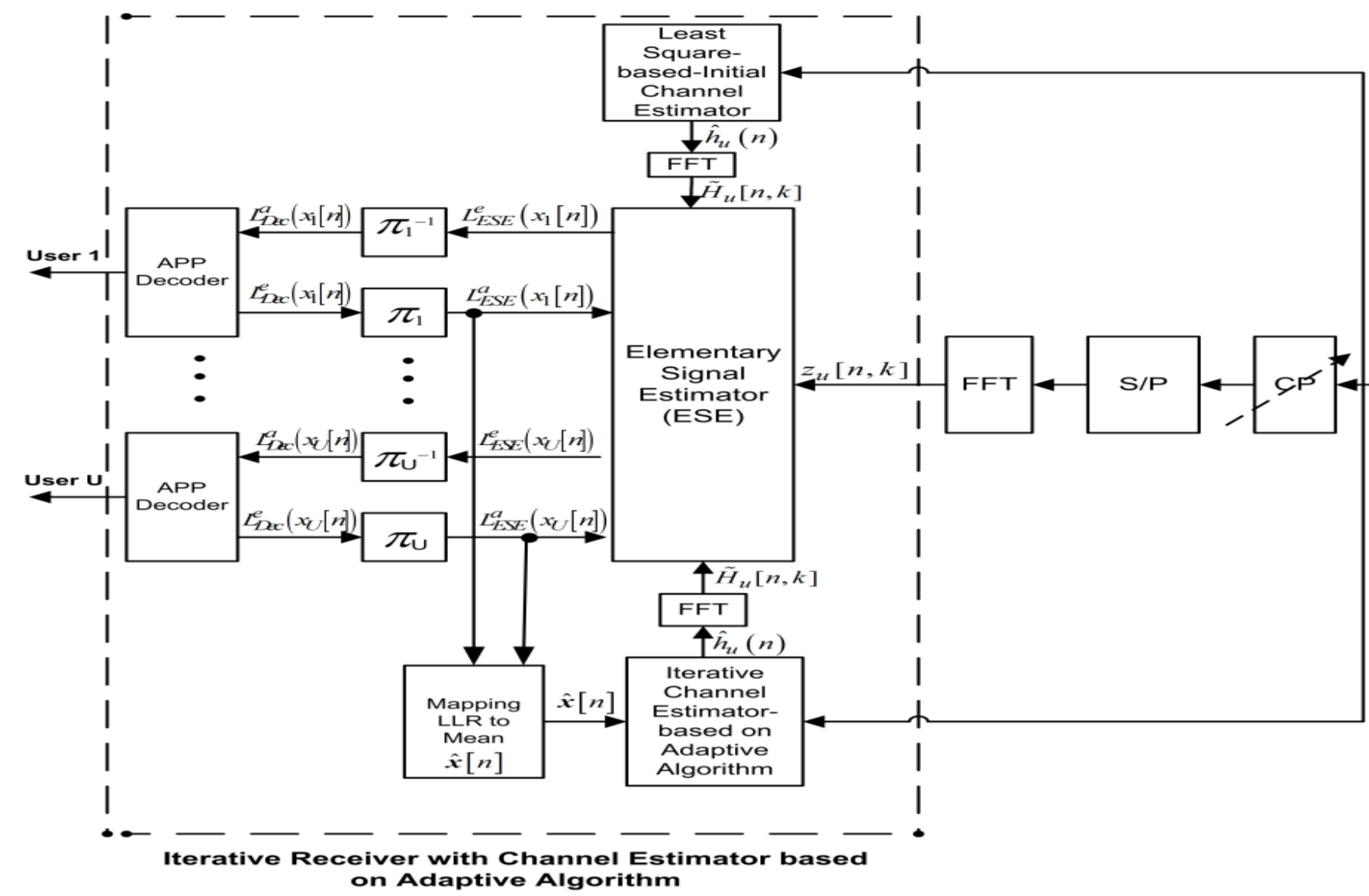


Figure 1b: Iterative Receiver with Adaptive Algorithm-based Channel Estimator.

Simulation Results

- QPSK-modulated having $K = 64$ subcarriers and a total bandwidth of 800 kHz considered. The wireless channel is a Rayleigh fading channel of $M = 16$ paths with normalized Doppler frequencies of $fDn = 0.108$ and $fDn = 0.0045$ corresponding to mobile speeds of $v = 120\text{km/h}$ and $v = 5\text{km/h}$ respectively are considered; the number of sparse CIR coefficients, $D = 4$; the spreading length $S = 8$; $\mu = \mu[0]$ for both LMS-based iterative channel estimator and the NLMS-based iterative channel estimator and to initialize the VSSNLMS and RVSSNLMS-based iterative channel estimators; $\rho = 0.002$; and $\beta = 2.0$.

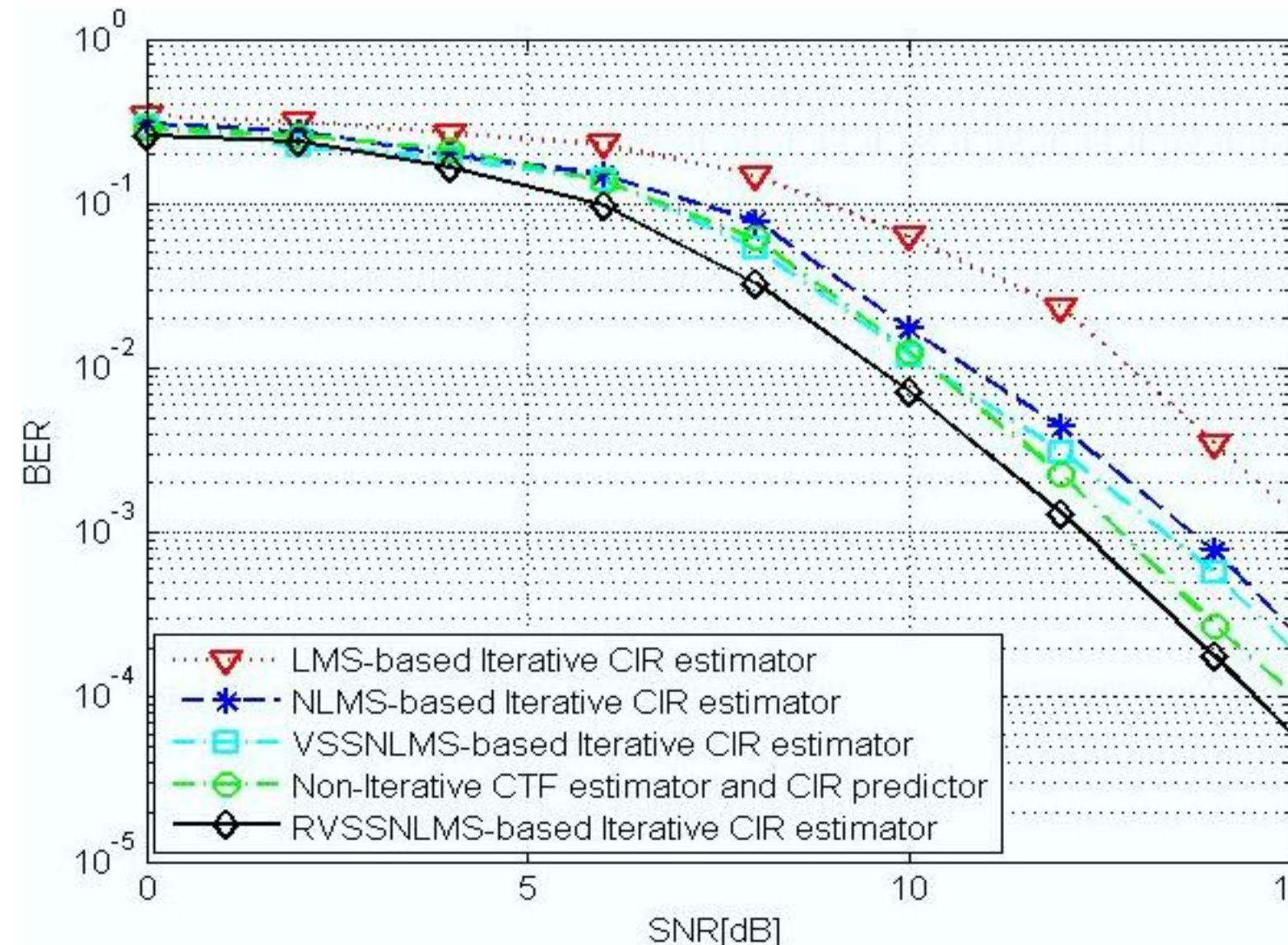


Figure 2: Average BER versus SNR exhibited by estimators, $fDn=0.108, v=120\text{Km/h}, U=4$.

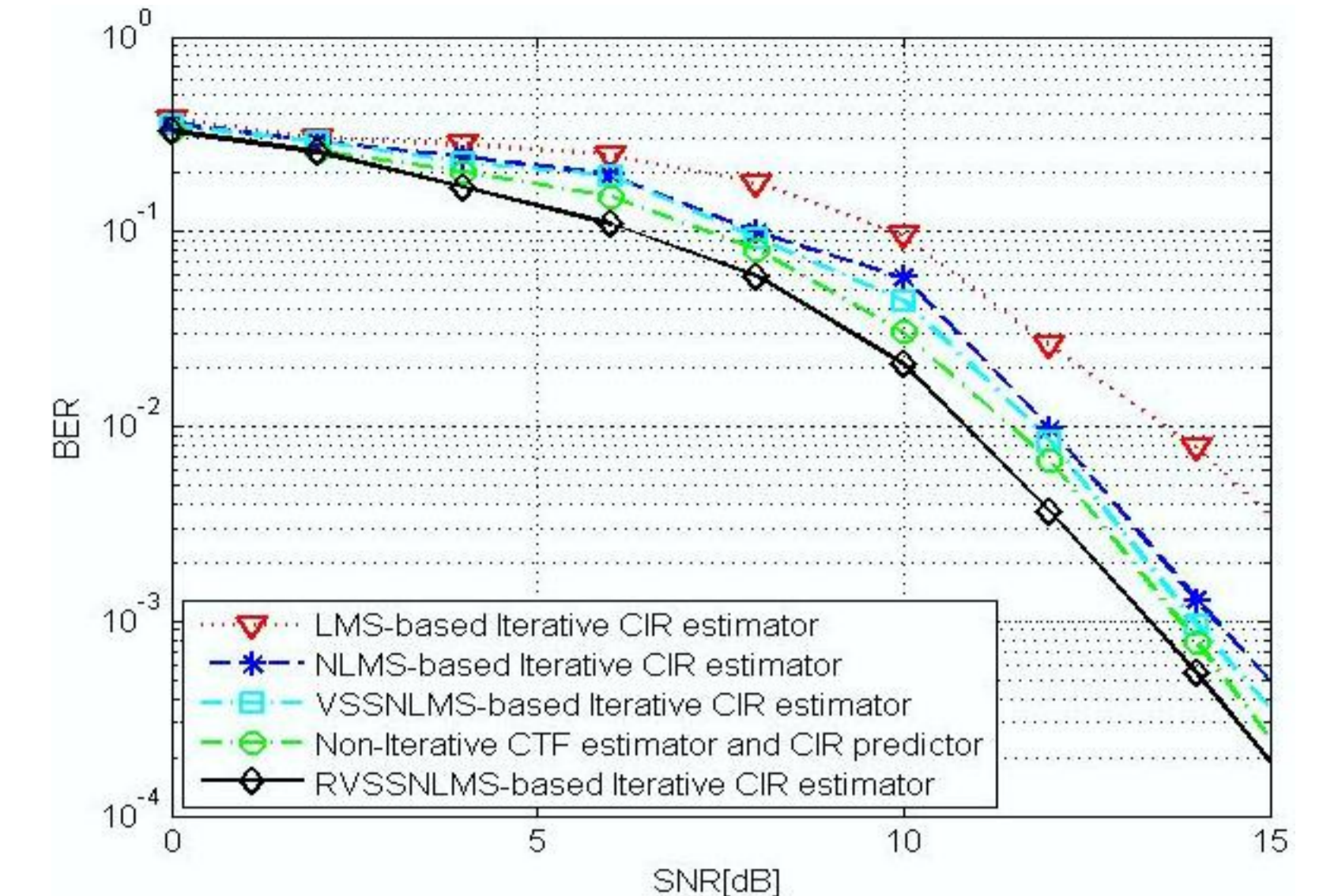


Figure 3: Average BER versus SNR exhibited by estimators, $fDn=0.004, v=5\text{Km/h},$ and $U=4$.

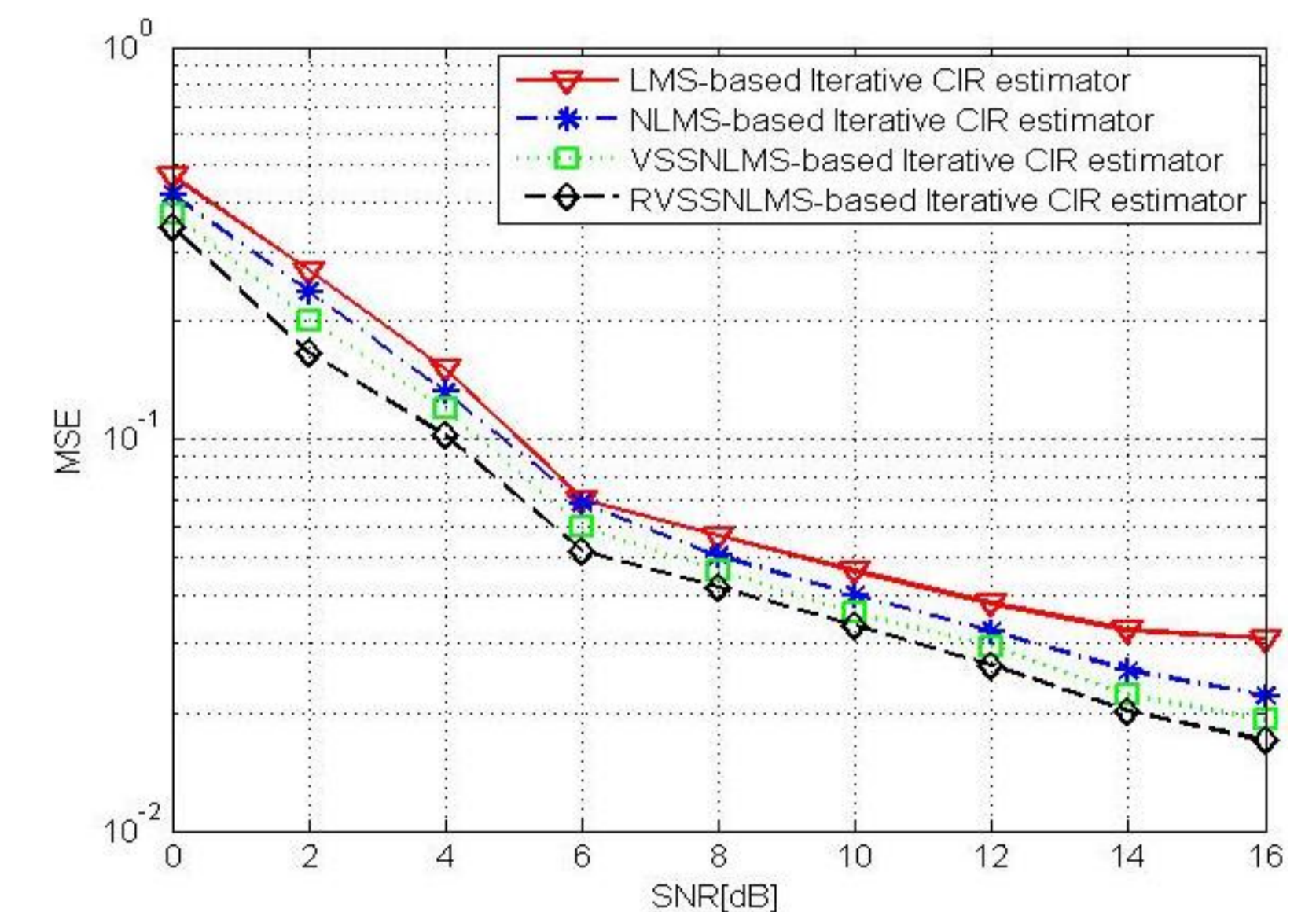


Figure 4: Average MSE exhibited by the estimators with $fDn=0.004, v=5\text{Km/h}, U=4,$ and $v=5\text{Km/h}$.

Conclusion

- From the presented results, RVSSNLMS-based iterative estimator performs better than the rest of the estimator and also shows the lowest computational complexities in comparison with the non-iterative CTF estimator and CIR predictor proposed earlier in literature.
- However, the computational complexity of the RVSSNLMS-based iterative estimator is higher than the complexity of each of the other adaptive algorithms-based iterative CIR estimators, but lower than that of the non-iterative combined CTF estimator and CIR predictor.