

Device-Centric Cooperation in Wireless Networks

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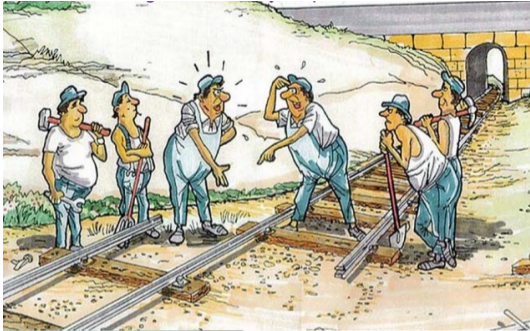


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Coordination vs. cooperation

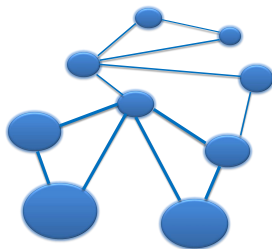
Coordination is a way to resolve **complex** problems among **distributed** agents
Can come with a notion of **conflict**: **coordination** → **cooperation**



Network coordination

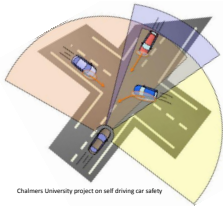
Coordination and cooperation have emerged as central concepts in many types of **networks**

- Autonomous robots networks
- Transportaton networks
- Sensor networks
- Processor networks
- Energy (Smart Grids) networks
- Wireless networks



Team-playing robots

- Driver-less vehicles
- Autonomous robot patrols
- Plant probes (nuclear sites,..)
- Military drones (ground, air)
- "Smart Factory" robots
- Robot sport teams "Robo-Cup"



Network coordination is often, by essence, "myopic"

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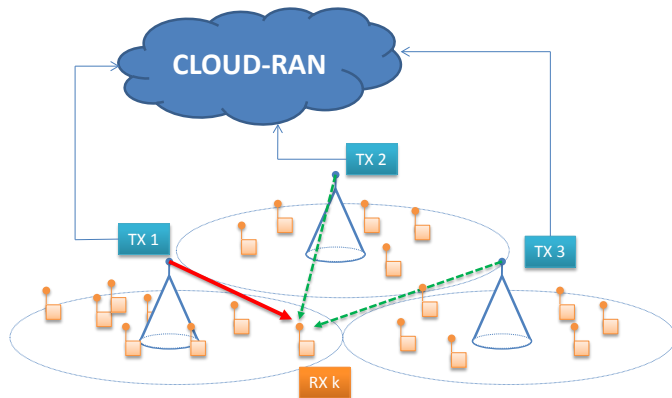
Network/Device cooperation beyond 5G

Where are we going?



Why beyond 5G may be "centralized"

- **Cloud RAN** is very popular, pushes for more centralization
- Centralized decision making is conceptually **simple** and efficient
- Coordination, cooperation is **easy**
- Mobile service providers **love it**

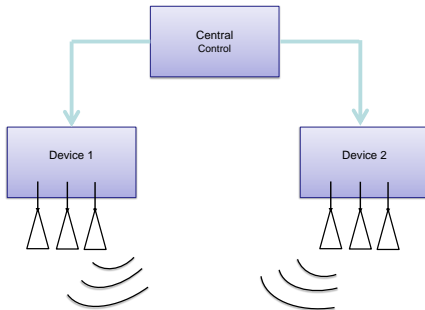


Enhancing spectral efficiency via coordination

Recent spectrum efficiency gains (or promise) from

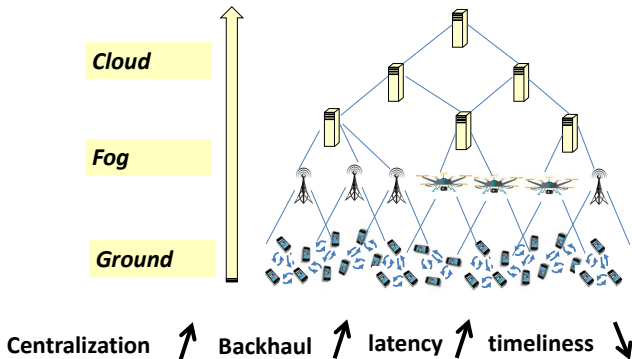
- MU-MIMO, Network MIMO (CoMP), Massive MIMO
- Dynamic cell clustering
- Beamforming
- Power control
- Channel aware scheduling
- Spectrum sharing

All made easy in **centralized settings**

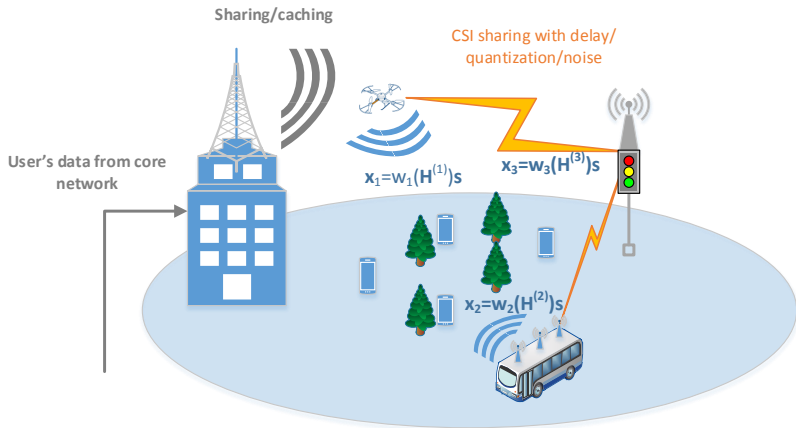


Why beyond 5G may be partly "decentralized"

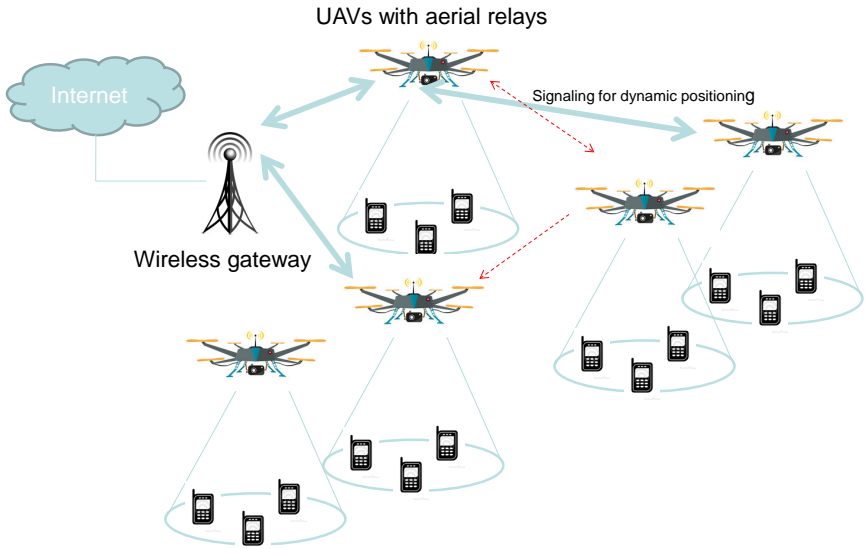
- Centralization leads to **expensive** architectures
- Curse of dimension (IoT: billions of devices)
- Centralized processing increases **latency**, killer for the tactile internet.
- Wireless backhaul architectures are often **heterogeneous**



Cooperation in heterogenous Wireless networks



Ultra flexible Wireless networks



Device-centric Cooperation

Potential:

- 1 Many devices with substantial sensing/computing capabilities (phones, tablets, vehicles, drones, pico-BS..)
- 2 Huge **collective** intelligence
- 3 Local processing makes time-sensitive measurements more relevant

Challenges

- 1 How to model **distributed** information settings?
- 2 Is there a **price of distributedness**?
- 3 Are there **robust** approaches?



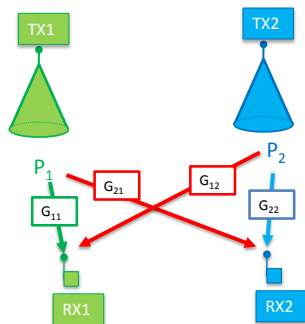
Ex 1: Power control over interference channels

- Two interfering devices, with interference channels $G_{i,j}, i = 1, 2, j = 1, 2$
- Transmit with **binary** power control is sum-rate optimal [Gjendemsjo et al., 2008, TWC]

$$(p_1^*, p_2^*) = \underset{(p_1, p_2) \in \mathcal{P}}{\operatorname{argmax}} [R(p_1(\{G_{i,j}\}), p_2(\{G_{i,j}\}))]$$

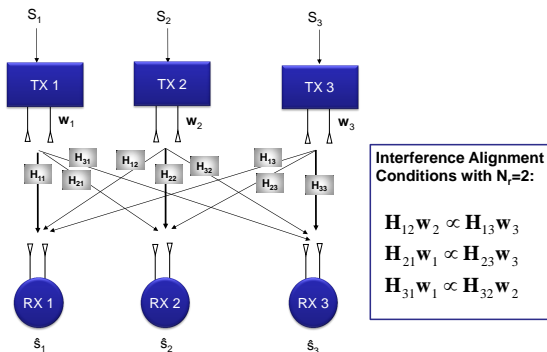
where

$$\mathcal{P} \triangleq \{(p_1, p_2) | p_j : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \{0, P_j^{\max}\}, j = 1, 2\}.$$



Hence the coordinated choice of "full power" or "stay silent" for each device requires full **centralized** CSI. **What if not the case?**

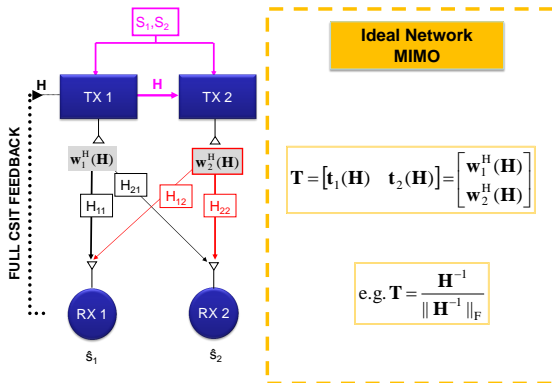
Ex 2: Interference Alignment



Alignment can be carried out in space, frequency, time domains. [Maddah-Ali et al., 2008, TIT][Cadambe and Jafar, 2008, TIT]

Realization of alignment conditions requires knowledge of all matrices $\mathbf{H}_{i,j}$ at all transmitters. **What if not the case?**

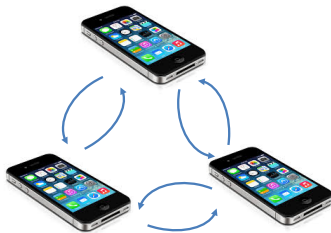
Ex 3: Network MIMO



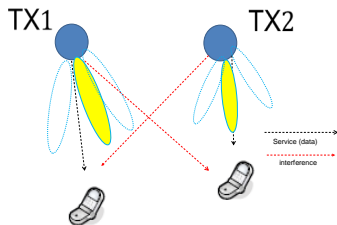
Network MIMO requires full knowledge of global \mathbf{H} matrix (and data symbols) at all transmitters. **What if not the case?**

Ex 4: Distributed caching

- D2D can be leveraged for content sharing and caching among terminals [Golrezaei et al., 2014, TIT]
- Popular files can be cached in device memory for later use. Each device can store K files.
- N ideally close-by devices can coordinate to cache non overlapping subsets of K files, hence making the NK most popular files available in their vicinity.
- This requires full information exchange. **What if not the case?**



Ex 5: Coordinated beamforming/scheduling



- Each transmitter should design a beamforming vector $\mathbf{w}_i, i = 1, 2$
- The best beamformer choice strikes an optimal trade-off between matched filter (egoistic) solution and interference zero-forcing (altruistic) solution [Jorswieck et al., 2008, TSP]
- Optimal design based on knowledge of all direct and interference channel gains.
what if not the case?

Ex 6: Cell coloring/clustering

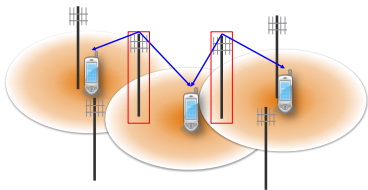
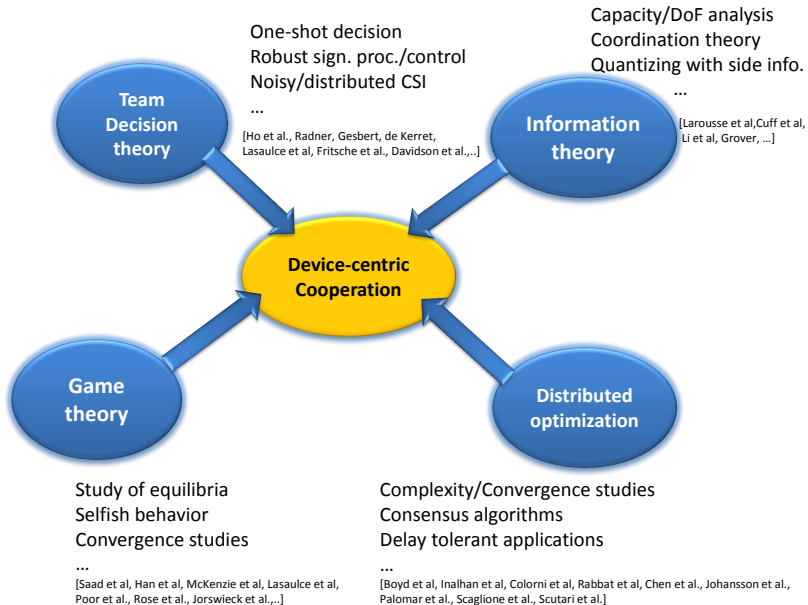


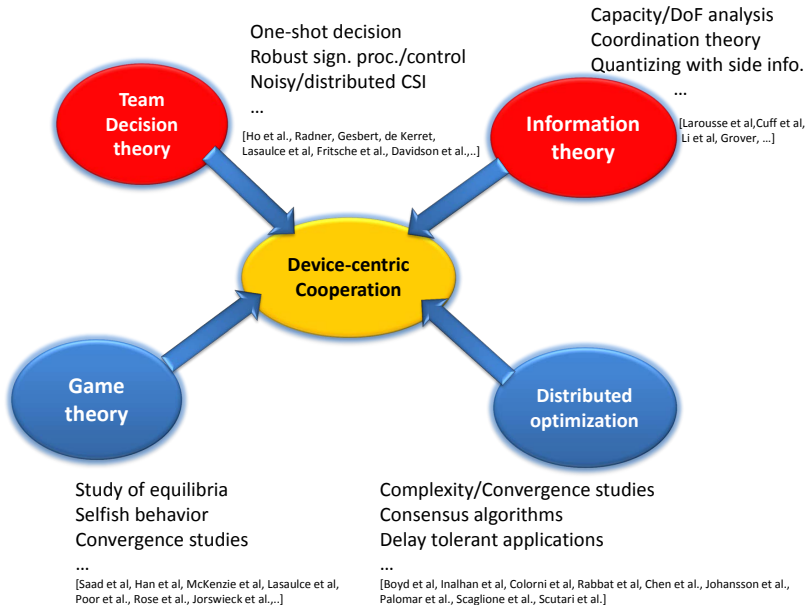
Figure: From Park, Lee, Heath, "Cooperative Base Station Coloring for Pair-wise Multi-Cell Coordination", arXiv March 2015

- Given a limited cooperation cluster size, cells can coordinate with other to design optimal clusters
- Clustering algorithms are usually centralized. But what if cells should attach to a cluster based on **local CSI**? (i.e. local user gains, local interference gains)
- Decentralized (heuristic) algorithm proposed in [Park et al., 2015]

Device coordination: The many perspectives



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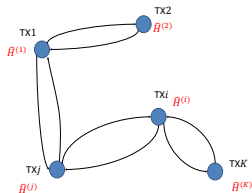
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Distributed Information Models

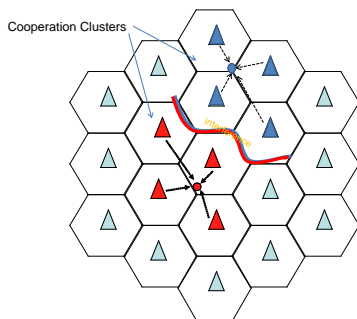
Wireless Channel State Information (CSI) is by nature **noisy** and **distributed**

- Limited sensing and feedback
- Mobility
- Devices tend to be "myopic": They know **better** what is **close**
- CSI exchange is **not** free
- Devices **do not need to know CSI** for entire network

CSI is often transmitter dependent
 → "Information Structure"



Information structure: Clustering



Approaches:

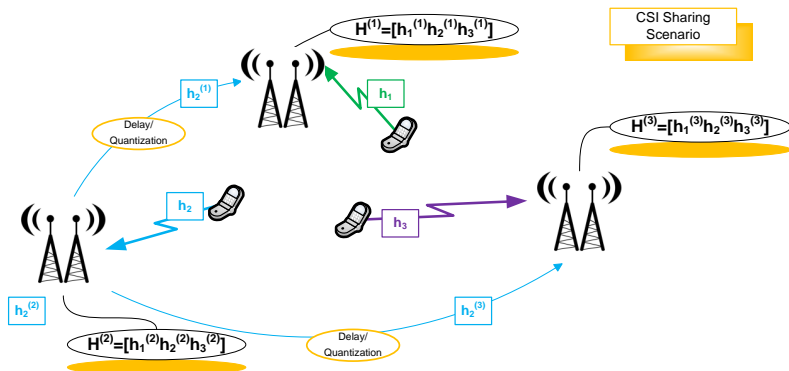
- Network-centric clustering
- User-centric clustering [Papadogiannis et al., 2008, ICC]

Limitations:

- Cluster too big: feedback sharing overhead heavy [Lozano et al., 2013, TIT]
- Cluster too small: edge-effects (inter-cluster interference) predominant

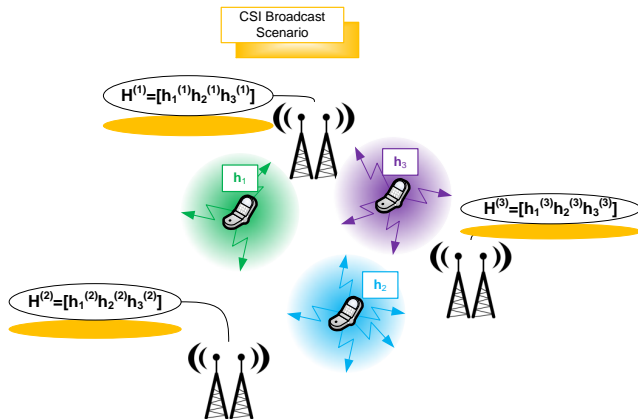
CSI information structure: LTE with limited backhaul

- Backhaul signaling introduces delays and possible quantization noise
- LTE compliant feedback: User feeds back to its home eNB only



CSI information structure: Feedback Broadcast

- CSIT can be shared directly over-the-air without backhaul links



Classical noisy CSI model (centralized)

- Every transmitter shares **the same** noisy channel estimate
- Imperfect (quantized, noisy, delayed,..) CSIT at TX modeled as [Wagner et al., 2012, TIT]

$$\{\hat{\mathbf{H}}\}_{i,k} = \sqrt{1 - \sigma_{i,k}^2} \{\tilde{\mathbf{H}}\}_{i,k} + \sigma_{i,k} \{\Delta\}_{i,k}, \quad \forall i, k$$

where $\{\Delta\}_{ik} \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, 1)$

- With digital quantization $\sigma_{i,k}^2 = 2^{-B_{i,k}}$ (good approximation in the high resolution regime)
- **CSIT allocation matrix** \mathbf{B} defined as

$$\{\mathbf{B}\}_{i,k} = B_{i,k}, \quad \forall i, k$$

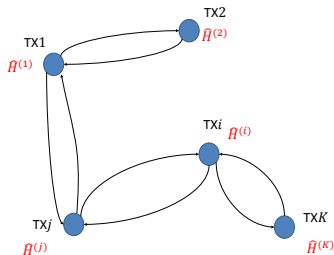
Distributed CSI Model

- CSIT is **transmitter-dependent**
- LOCAL** CSIT at TX j modeled as

$$\{\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}\}_{i,k} = \sqrt{1 - (\sigma_{i,k}^{(j)})^2} \{\mathbf{H}\}_{i,k} + \sigma_{i,k}^{(j)} \{\Delta\}_{i,k}^{(j)} \quad \forall i, k$$

where $\{\Delta\}_{i,k}^{(j)} \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, 1)$

- $\sigma_{i,k}^{(j)}$ indicates **quality** of CSIT for channel element (i, k) at TX j



Distributed CSI structure models

Some useful particular cases:

- A CSI structure is *perfect* if $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i)} = \mathbf{H}, \forall i$.
- A CSI structure is *centralized* if $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i)} = \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}, \forall i, j$.
- A CSI structure is *distributed* if there exist i and j such that $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i)} \neq \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}$.

Distributed CSI structure models (cont'd)

Some more particular cases:

- Incomplete CSIT:** A CSI structure is *incomplete* if $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i)}$ takes the form $\forall i \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i)} = \{\mathbf{H}_{k,l}, k \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{TX}}, l \in \mathcal{S}_{\text{RX}}\}$, where \mathcal{S}_{TX} (resp. \mathcal{S}_{RX}) are subsets of the transmitter set (resp. receiver set).
- Hierarchical CSIT:** A CSI structure is *hierarchical* if there exists an order of transmitter indices i_1, i_2, i_3, \dots such that $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i_1)} \subset \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i_2)} \subset \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i_3)} \subset \dots$
- Master Slave:** Hierarchical where $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i_1)} = []$, and $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i_2)} = \mathbf{H}$ (can be extended to $K > 2$.)

Typical (practical) CSI structures

Consider the K transmitter (N antennas each) K user (single antenna) channel. Let $\mathbf{h}_{i,j}^H$ be the $1 \times N$ vector channel between the j th transmitter and the i th user.

- Local CSIT with TDD reciprocity

$$(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)})^H = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{h}_{1,j}^H & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{h}_{K,j}^H & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Local CSIT with LTE feedback mode

$$(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)})^H = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{h}_{j,1}^H & \dots & \mathbf{h}_{j,K}^H \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Fully local CSIT

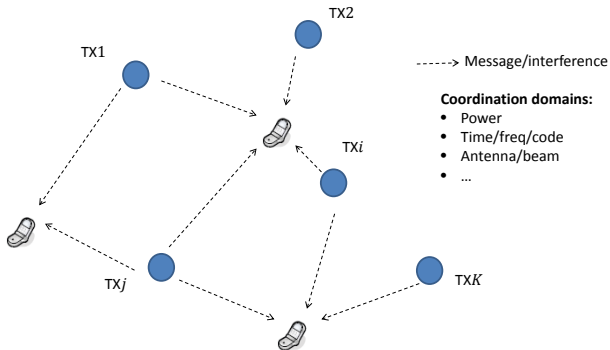
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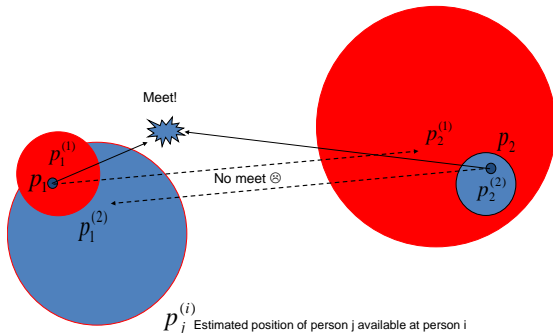
Device coordination Problem

- K nodes in a network seek to **cooperate** towards the maximization of a **common** utility
- Each node i must make best **decision** based on:
 - local measurement or feedback
 - finite rate signaling with neighbor nodes

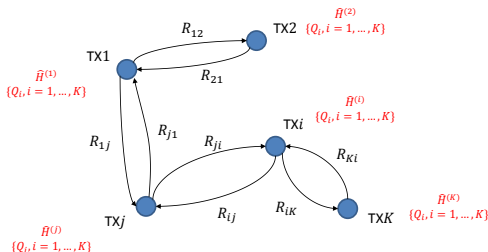


TD example: The Distributed Rendez-vous Problem

- Two visitors arrive independently in Edinburgh and seek to meet as quickly as possible.
- They have **different** and **imprecise** information about their own and each other's position.
- **Problem:** *Pick a direction to walk into*



Coordination over finite communication graphs: The big picture

**A priori information:**

$\hat{H}^{(i)}$: local CSI
 Q_i : Error covariance

Coordination link rates:

From i to j : R_{ij}

- No constraint over number bits exchanged: Distributed optimization \rightarrow **convergence speed?**
- Constraint over number of bits exchanged: What to **measure?** What is the **most relevant information to communicate** among devices?
- Decision stage (after limited communication took place): What are **robust coordinated decision** techniques?
- **Joint** communication-decision framework (challenging)

Signaling for Coordination

What is most **relevant** to communicate of the signaling link?

- Many interesting heuristics (precoding decisions, measurements, etc.)
- Optimal signaling strategy coupled with optimum decision making W_i
- Heuristic strategies:
 - ① Local decision W_i based on $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i)}$ and $\mathbf{Q}_i, i = 1, \dots, K$, exchange quantized decisions over R_{ij} bits
 - But poorly informed nodes make bad decisions !
 - ② Exchange quantized CSI $\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(i)}$ over R_{ij} bits
 - But this ignores \mathbf{Q}_i !
- Optimal strategy (source coding with side-information): Create **locally optimal** codebooks, that are function of local CSI and neighbor CSI qualities [Li et al., 2014]

Distributed coordination

Team Decision theoretic problems:

- Several network agents wish to cooperate towards maximization of a common utility
- Each agent has its own **limited** view over the system state
- All need to come up with **consistent** actions
- Classical "robust" design does not work...
- Introduced first in economics and control [Witsenhausen68] [Ho, 1980, IEEE], recently in wireless [Zakhour and Gesbert, 2010, ITA]
- Fundamental limits rooted in **Coordination Theory**

Coordination Theory

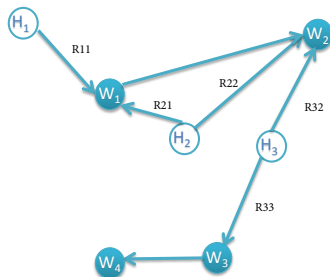


Figure: Coordination Framework[Cuff et al., 2010, TIT]

- \mathbf{H}_1 , \mathbf{H}_2 and \mathbf{H}_3 , arbitrary components of global system state, distributed according to $p_0(\mathbf{H}_1, \mathbf{H}_2, \mathbf{H}_3)$
- W_1 , W_2 and W_3 are actions selected by the nodes.
- What joint distribution $p_0(\mathbf{H}_1, \mathbf{H}_2, \mathbf{H}_3)p(W_1, W_2, W_3|\mathbf{H}_1, \mathbf{H}_2, \mathbf{H}_3)$ can be achieved?
- Answer: it depends on graph topology (capacity of each edge)

Example (One Isolated Node)

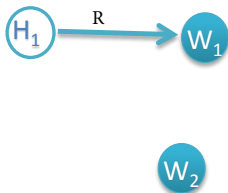


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Theorem

$$C_{p_0} = \left\{ \left(\overbrace{R}^{\text{rate}}, \overbrace{p(W_1, W_2 | H_1)}^{\text{distribution}} \right) \mid R \geq I(H_1; W_1 | W_2) \right\}$$

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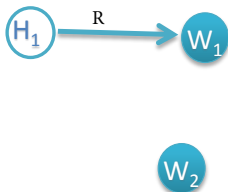


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- With Gaussian RVs, the condition becomes

$$(1 - 2^{-2R})^{-1} \rho_{H_1, W_1}^2 + \rho_{W_1, W_2}^2 \leq 1$$

- $R \rightarrow \infty$, $\rho_{H_1, W_1}^2 + \rho_{W_1, W_2}^2 \leq 1$
- $R \rightarrow 0$, $\rho_{H_1, W_1}^2 = 0$ and $\rho_{W_1, W_2}^2 \leq 1$

Further Results

- Results in more advanced topologies [Cuff et al., 2010, TIT]
- Polar codes used for coordination in [Chou et al., 2015, ISIT]
- Implicit coordination: Observation of action of one node by another is a **non dedicated** cooperation link
 - ➡ Coordination at low/no cost [Larrousse and Lasaulce, 2013, ISIT]
- Aim of this approach
 - Guidelines for network design
 - Insights for new cooperation methods

Team Decision (TD) Problems: A general formalism

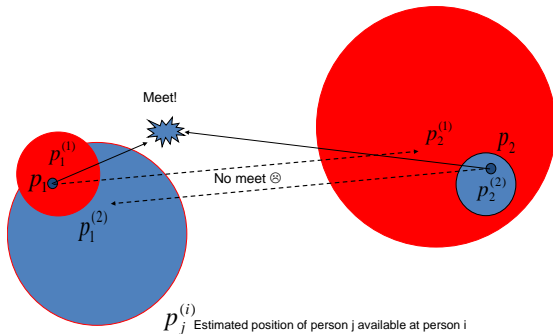
$$(\mathbf{s}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{s}_K^*) = \underset{\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_K}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(K)}} \left[f \left(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}_1(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}), \dots, \mathbf{s}_K(\mathbf{x}^{(K)}) \right) \right]$$

where

- K : Number of Decision Makers (DMs)
- $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^m$: State of the world
- $\mathbf{x}^{(j)} \in \mathbb{C}^m$: Estimate of the state of the world \mathbf{x} at DM j
- $\mathbf{s}_j : \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_j \subset \mathbb{C}^{d_j}$: Strategy of the j -th DM
- $\mathbf{s}_j(\mathbf{x}^{(j)}) \in \mathcal{A}_j \subset \mathbb{C}^{d_j}$: Decision at DM j for the given realization $\mathbf{x}^{(j)}$
- $f : \mathbb{C}^m \times \prod_{j=1}^K \mathbb{C}^{d_j} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: Joint objective of the K DMs
- $p_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(K)}}$: Joint probability distribution of the channel and the estimates

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A robust solution: "Meet you at the City Hall!"

Can Team Problems be Solved with Games?

Key idea: **Let autonomous transmitting devices interact to solve their interference conflicts**

Players → transmitters

Actions → transmit decision (power, frequency, beam, ..)

Strategy → Utility maximization (max rate, min power, min delay,..)

Timing → simultaneous, sequential,..

Equilibrium → Nash, Stackelberg, Nash Bargaining,..



From Selfish Games to "Team Playing"

Why interference coordination can be different from a typical "game":

- Team agents (network nodes) are not conflicting players (different from players in a cooperative game)
- Agents seek maximization of **the same** network utility
- It is the **lack of shared information** which hinders cooperation, not the selfish of their interests
- Agents are not required to improve over the performance of the Nash equilibrium
- Connections to Bayesian games (see work by 1994 Nobel Prize winner John Harsanyi [Harsanyi, 1967])

A Fundamental Approach: Best Response

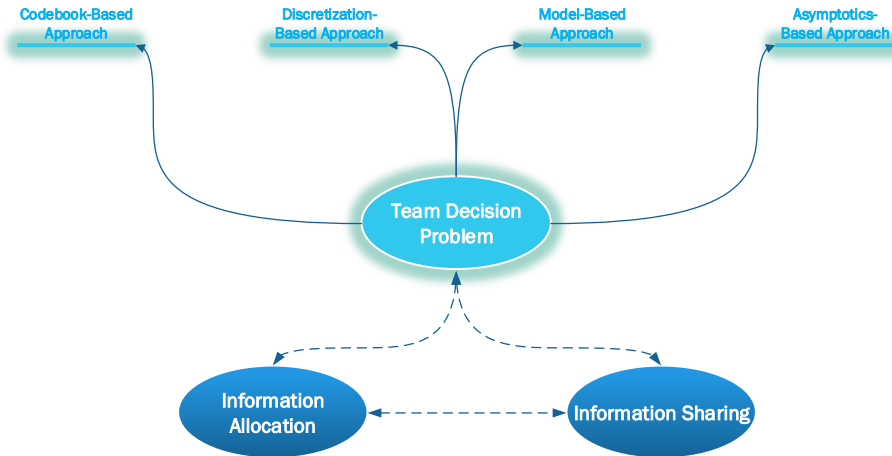
Best Response

A *Best-Response (BR)* strategy $s_1^{\text{BR}}, \dots, s_K^{\text{BR}}$ for the TD problem is a strategy such that

$$s_j^{\text{BR}} = \underset{s_j \in \mathcal{A}_j}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}, x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(K)} | x^{(j)}} \left[f \left(\mathbf{x}, \dots, s_{j-1}^{\text{BR}}(x^{(j-1)}), s_j(x^{(j)}), s_{j+1}^{\text{BR}}(x^{(j+1)}), \dots \right) \right], \quad \forall j$$

- Practical approach usually considered in the TD literature
- Still **very challenging**:
 - Functional optimization
 - Stochastic optimization
 - Channel space of large dimension (in most of the cases)
- In fact, Bayesian Cooperative Game with Incomplete Information [Harsanyi, 1967, Management Science]

Team Decision: Algorithm design



Model-Based Approach

Main idea: Restrict the space of possible strategies via a **model**

➔ Replace the strategy s_j by s_j^β with $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ where s_j^β is a well chosen heuristic model

Example (Coordinated Beamforming [Jorswieck et al., 2008, TSP])

Beamformer in the MISO IC parameterized as

$$\mathbf{w}_k^*(\lambda_k) = \frac{\lambda_k \mathbf{w}_k^{\text{ZF}} + (1 - \lambda_k) \mathbf{w}_k^{\text{MF}}}{\|\lambda_k \mathbf{w}_k^{\text{ZF}} + (1 - \lambda_k) \mathbf{w}_k^{\text{MF}}\|}$$

Model-based Team Decision Buying a Baguette or not?

- A french couple returns separately from work and wants baguette for dinner. their phone batteries are empty
- Personal cost for stopping at the baker is c_i .
- Each person knows its own cost c_i
- The c_i are uniformly distributed over $[0, 1]$.

Goal: maximize expectation of joint utility given by:

Person 2 \ Person 1	Buy bread	Go home
Buy bread	$a - c_1 - c_2$	$1 - c_1$
Go home	$1 - c_2$	0

When should each person buy bread?

Optimal decision $\gamma_i^*(c_i)$ of *threshold form*

$$\gamma_i^*(c_i) = \begin{cases} \text{Buy bread} & \text{if } c_i \leq c_i^{th} \\ \text{Go home} & \text{if } c_i > c_i^{th} \end{cases}$$

Codebook-Based Approach

Main idea: Restrict the space of possible strategies to a **codebook**

➔ Choose s_j inside a codebook of function $\{s_j^1, \dots, s_j^m\}$

Example (Coordinated Beamforming)

- Restrict possible beamforming choices to $\mathcal{C} = \{\text{Matched Filter}, \text{Zero Forcing}\}$

Discretization-Based (1): Dimensionality Reduction

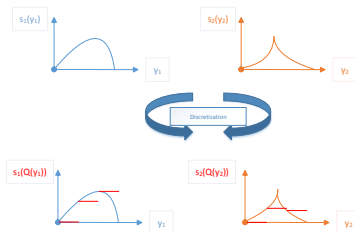
Main idea: Quantize the channel state space to reduce the **dimension**

➔ Replace the strategy s_j by $s_j(Q^{cb})$ where

$$Q^{cb} : \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{cb} \triangleq \{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{n^{cb}}\} \\ \mathbf{x}^{(j)} \mapsto Q^{cb}(\mathbf{x}^{(j)}) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{C}^{cb}} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(j)}\|^2 \end{array}$$

- Optimization subspace reduced to a space of dimension n^{cb} :

$$s_j : \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{C}^{cb} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_j \\ \mathbf{x}_j \mapsto s_j(\mathbf{x}_j) \end{array}$$



Discretization-Based (2): Monte-Carlo Approximation

- Best-response optimization at DM 1: $\forall i_1 \in \{1, \dots, n^{\text{cb}}\}$,

$$s_1^{\text{BR}}(x_{i_1}) = \operatorname{argmax}_{s_1 \in \mathcal{A}_1 \subset \mathbb{C}^{d_1}} \mathbb{E} \left[f(x, s_1, s_2^{\text{BR}}(Q^{\text{cb}}(x^{(2)})), \dots, s_K^{\text{BR}}(Q^{\text{cb}}(x^{(K)}))) \mid x^{(1)} = x_{i_1} \right]$$

- For a given x_i and given $s_2^{\text{BR}}, \dots, s_K^{\text{BR}}$: Standard stochastic optimization problem [Shapiro et al., 2014]
- Use Monte-Carlo approximation: $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n^{\text{cb}}\}$,

$$s_1^{\text{BR}}(x_i) = \operatorname{argmax}_{s_1 \in \mathcal{A}_1} \frac{1}{n^{\text{MC}}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{n^{\text{MC}}} f(x_\ell, s_1, s_2(Q(x_\ell^{(2)})), \dots, s_K(Q(x_\ell^{(K)})))$$

where $(x_\ell, x_\ell^{(2)}, \dots, x_\ell^{(K)}) \sim p_{x, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(K)}} \mid x^{(1)} = x_i$

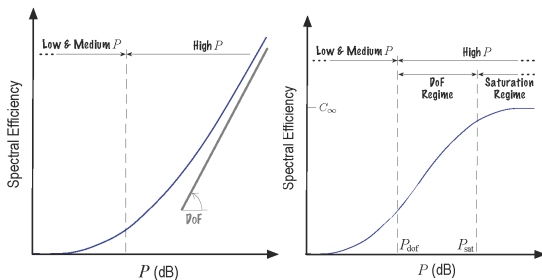
Asymptotics-Based Approach

Main idea: use asymptotic analysis to make the problem **deterministic**

➔ Possible to obtain new insights and transmission strategies

Example (DoF Analysis)

- Let the transmit SNR goes to infinity

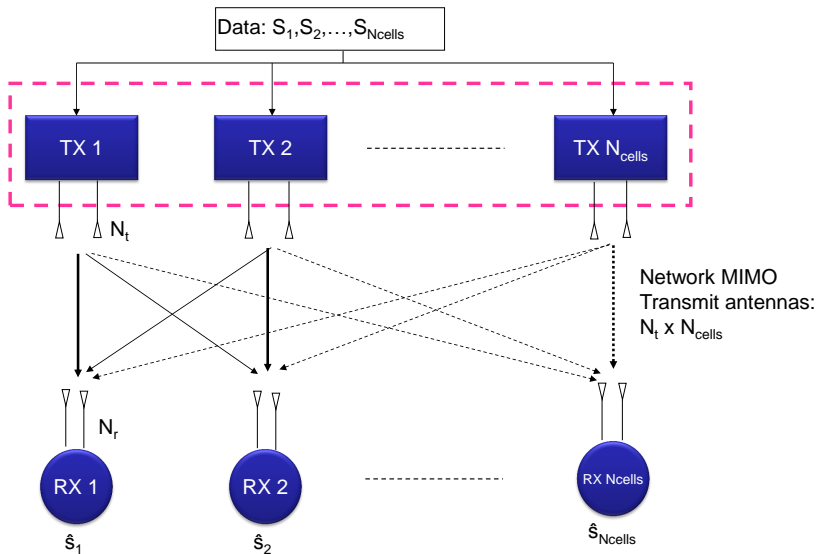


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Joint Precoding over Network MIMO



Team Decision Problem

$$(\mathbf{w}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{w}_K^*) = \underset{(\rho_1, \dots, \rho_K) \in \mathcal{P}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{E}[R(\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{w}_1(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(1)}), \dots, \mathbf{w}_K(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(K)}))]$$

where

$$R(\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{w}_1(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(1)}), \dots, \mathbf{w}_K(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(K)})) = \sum_{k=1}^K \log_2 \left| \mathbf{I}_{d_k} + \mathbf{T}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \left(\mathbf{R}_k + \sum_{i \neq k} \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{T}_i \mathbf{T}_i^H \mathbf{T}_i^H \right)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{T}_k \right|$$

with

- $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{\text{tot}} \times M_{\text{tot}}}$ the multi-user channel
- \mathbf{w}_j the precoding function:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{w}_j : \mathbb{C}^{N_{\text{tot}} \times M_{\text{tot}}} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{M_j \times d_{\text{tot}}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)} &\mapsto \mathbf{w}_j(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}) \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{C}^{M_{\text{tot}} \times d_{\text{tot}}}$ the multi-user precoder

$$\mathbf{T} = [\mathbf{T}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{T}_K] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w}_1(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(1)}) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{w}_K(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(K)}) \end{bmatrix}$$

A Key Example

- Particularly interesting because:
 - Continuous optimization with large channel state dimension
 - Strong dependency (state & TXs): see DoF results
- ➔ Many difficulties

Table: Team Decision Modeling for Joint Precoding

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Objective	f	R

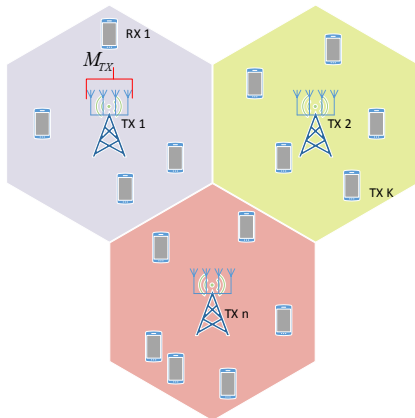
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A Result Based on Random Matrix Theory (RMT)

- n cooperating TXs
- Each TX has M_{TX} antennas
- K and M_{TX} grow large at the same rate

$$\beta \triangleq \lim_{M, K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M}{K} \triangleq \lim_{M_{TX}, K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{nM_{TX}}{K} \geq 1$$



Distributed CSI with Correlated Noise

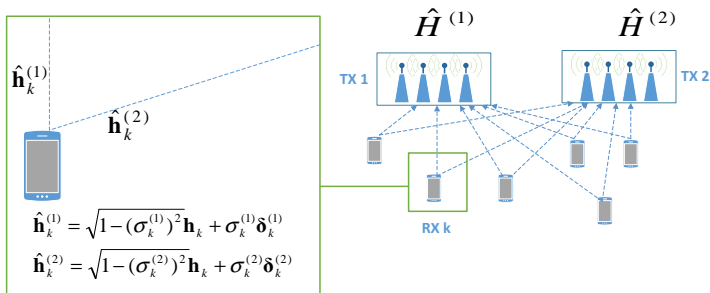
- Extend to **spatial correlation** in the CSI noise

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}}_k^{(j)} \triangleq \sqrt{1 - (\sigma_k^{(j)})^2} \mathbf{h}_k + \sigma_k^{(j)} \boldsymbol{\delta}_k^{(j)}$$

with

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\boldsymbol{\delta}_k^{(j)} (\boldsymbol{\delta}_k^{(j')})^H \right] = (\rho_k^{(j,j')})^2 \mathbf{I}_M$$

- Extremely general model: Bridges the Gap from distributed CSIT to centralized CSIT: Can model **partially centralized settings**



A Practical Example

Example

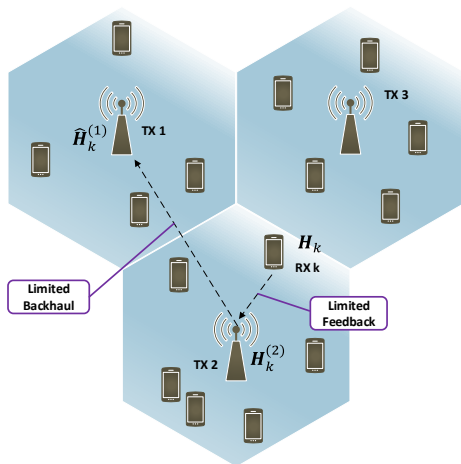
- Imperfect feedback

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}}_j^{(j)} = \sqrt{1 - \sigma_{FB}^2} \mathbf{h}_j + \sigma_{FB} \boldsymbol{\delta}_j^{(j)}$$

- Imperfect backhaul

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}}_k^{(j')} = \sqrt{1 - \sigma_{BH}^2} \hat{\mathbf{h}}_k^{(j)} + \sigma_{BH} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_k^{(j,j')}$$

- ➔ CSI estimates error at different TXs are **correlated**



Model-Based Approach: Regularized ZF

- Modelization of the precoding decisions using Regularized ZF with sum power constraint P

$$\mathbf{T}_{\text{rZF}}^{(j)}(\gamma^{(j)}) \triangleq \left((\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)})^H \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)} + M\gamma^{(j)} \mathbf{I}_M \right)^{-1} (\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)})^H \frac{\sqrt{P}}{\sqrt{\Psi^{(j)}}}$$

with $\Psi^{(j)}$ the power normalization at TX j , and

$$\mathbf{w}_j(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}) = \mathbf{E}_j^H \mathbf{T}_{\text{rZF}}^{(j)}(\gamma^{(j)})$$

Where \mathbf{E}_j is a row selection matrix

- Effective precoder is

$$\mathbf{T}^{\text{DCSI}} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w}_1(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(1)}) \\ \mathbf{w}_2(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(2)}) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{w}_n(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(n)}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Optimization of the Regularization Parameter

- **Naive** regularization

$$\gamma^{(j),\text{naive}} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{R}(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)})]$$

- **Robust** regularization

$$(\gamma^{(1),*}, \dots, \gamma^{(n),*}) = \operatorname{argmax}_{(\gamma^{(1)}, \dots, \gamma^{(n)})} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{R}(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(n)})].$$

- **Low complexity robust** regularization with equal γ at all TXs

$$(\gamma^*, \dots, \gamma^*) = \operatorname{argmax}_{(\gamma, \dots, \gamma)} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{R}(\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(1)}, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(n)})].$$

Main Result (1)

Theorem ([Li et al., 2015, Allerton])

In Joint Processing CoMP with Distributed CSI,

$$\text{SINR}_k - \text{SINR}_k^o \xrightarrow[K, M_{\text{TX}} \rightarrow \infty]{a.s.} 0$$

with

$$\text{SINR}_k^o \triangleq \frac{P \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{c_{0,k}^{(j)}}{\Gamma_{j,j}^o} \frac{\delta^{(j)}}{1+\delta^{(j)}}} \right)^2}{1 + I_k^o}$$

with

$$c_{0,k}^{(j)} \triangleq 1 - (\sigma_k^{(j)})^2, \quad c_{1,k}^{(j)} \triangleq (\sigma_k^{(j)})^2, \quad c_{2,k}^{(j)} \triangleq \sigma_k^{(j)} \sqrt{1 - (\sigma_k^{(j)})^2}.$$

Main Result (2)

Theorem (continued)

$$I_k^o \triangleq P - P \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{j'=1}^n \frac{\Gamma_{j,j'}^o}{\sqrt{\Gamma_{j,j}^o \Gamma_{j',j'}^o}} \left[\frac{2c_{0,k}^{(j)}}{n^2} \frac{\delta^{(j)}}{1+\delta^{(j)}} \frac{\left((\rho_k^{(j,j')})^2 c_{2,k}^{(j)} c_{2,k}^{(j')} + c_{0,k}^{(j)} c_{0,k}^{(j')} \right) \delta^{(j)} \delta^{(j')}}{n^2 (1+\delta^{(j)}) (1+\delta^{(j')})} \right]$$

with

$$\Gamma_{j,j'}^o \triangleq \frac{\frac{1}{M} \sum_{\ell=1}^K \sqrt{c_{0,\ell}^{(j)} c_{0,\ell}^{(j')}} + \sqrt{c_{1,\ell}^{(j)} c_{1,\ell}^{(j')}} (\rho_{\ell}^{(j,j')})^2}{\frac{1+\delta^{(j)}}{\delta^{(j)}} \frac{1+\delta^{(j')}}{\delta^{(j')}} - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{\ell=1}^K \left(\sqrt{c_{0,\ell}^{(j)} c_{0,\ell}^{(j')}} + \sqrt{c_{1,\ell}^{(j)} c_{1,\ell}^{(j')}} (\rho_{\ell}^{(j,j')})^2 \right)^2}.$$

and

$$\delta^{(j)} \triangleq \frac{\beta - 1 - \gamma^{(j)} \beta + \sqrt{(\gamma^{(j)} \beta - \beta + 1)^2 + 4\gamma^{(j)} \beta^2}}{2\gamma^{(j)} \beta}.$$

Sanity Checks (1)

- Imperfect centralized CSIT:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_k^{(j)} &= \sigma_k^{(j')} = \sigma_k, && \text{(equal CSIT accuracy)} \\ \rho_k^{(j,j')} &= 1, && \text{(Full correlation)} \\ \gamma^{(j)} &= \gamma^{(j')} = \gamma, && \text{(Equal regularization)}\end{aligned}$$

➔ Matches with [Wagner et al., 2012, TIT], [Couillet and Debbah, 2011, Theorem 14.1]

$$\text{SINR}_k^{\text{ID-DCSI},o} = \frac{(1 - \sigma_k^2)\delta^2}{\Gamma^o \left(1 - \sigma_k^2 + (1 + \delta)^2 \sigma_k^2 + \frac{(1+\delta)^2}{P} \right)}$$

- Also obtained with $n = 1$

Sanity Checks (2)

- Uncorrelated distributed CSIT with uniform accuracy and equal regularization:

$$\sigma_k^{(j)} = \sigma^{(j)}, \quad (\text{Uniform CSIT})$$

$$\rho_k^{(j,j')} = 0, \quad (\text{Uncorrelated})$$

$$\gamma^{(j)} = \gamma^{(j')} = \gamma, \quad (\text{Equal regularization})$$

➔ Matches with [de Kerret et al., 2015, ISIT]

$$\text{SINR}_k^{\text{EQ-DCSI},o} = \frac{\frac{P}{\Gamma^o} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \sqrt{c_{0,k}^{(j)}} \right)^2 \frac{\delta^2}{(1+\delta)^2}}{I_k^{\text{EQ-DCSI},o} + 1}$$

with

$$I_k^{\text{EQ-DCSI}} = P - P \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{j'=1}^n \frac{\delta \Gamma_{jj'}^o}{n^2 (1+\delta)^2 \Gamma^o} \cdot \left[2c_{0,k}^{(j)} + \delta \left(2c_{0,k}^{(j)} - c_{0,k}^{(j)} c_{0,k}^{(j')} \right) \right]$$

Cost of Distributedness

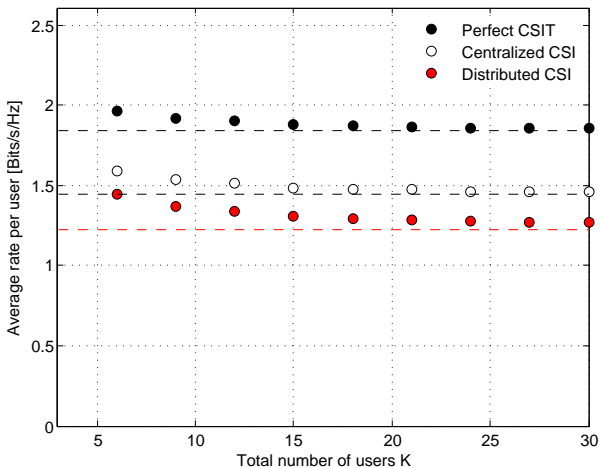


Figure: Average rate per user as a function of the number of users K with $(\sigma^{(j)})^2 = 0.1, \forall j$.

Optimization of the Regularization Parameter

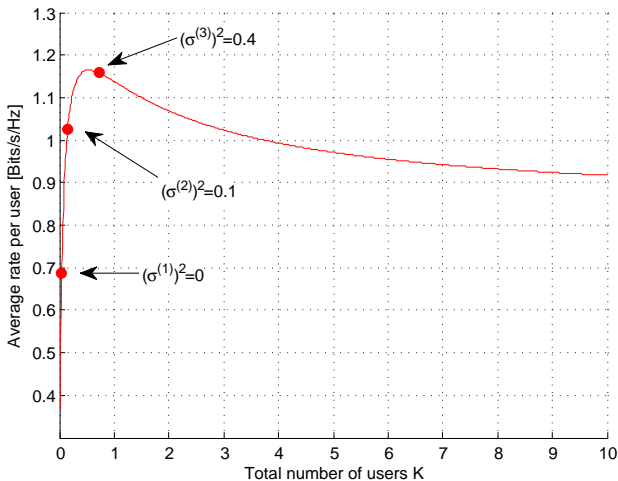
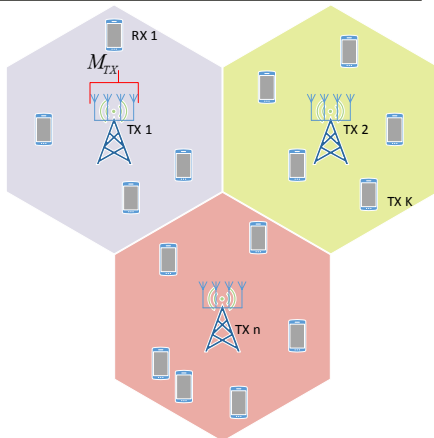


Figure: Average rate per user as a function of γ for $(\sigma^{(1)})^2 = 0$, $(\sigma^{(2)})^2 = 0.1$, $(\sigma^{(3)})^2 = 0.4$.

Simulation Settings

n	3	K	30
M	30	β	$M/K=1$
$(\sigma_k^{(1)})^2$	0.01	$(\sigma_k^{(2)})^2$	0.16
$(\sigma_k^{(3)})^2$	0.49	$\rho_k^{(j,j')}$	0.1
\mathbf{h}_k	$\sim \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_M)$	$\delta_k^{(j)}$	$\sim \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_M)$



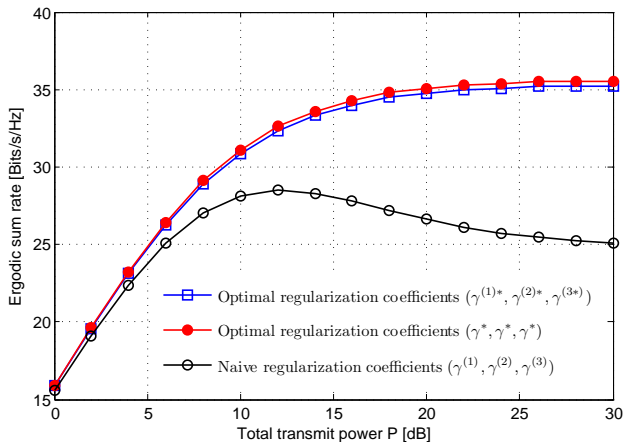
Simulations: Optimize γ 

Figure: RZF, ergodic sum rate vs total transmit power P

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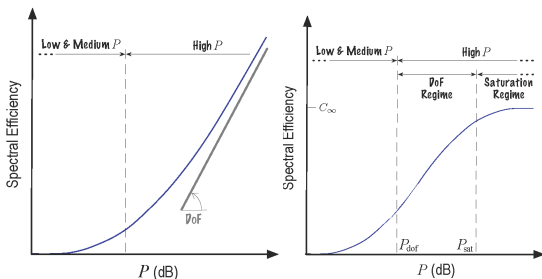
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Asymptotical Analysis: DoF Approach

- First order approximation in the SNR

$$R^* \approx \text{DoF} \log_2(\text{SNR})$$

- Problem becomes deterministic: Possible to obtain analytical results to our complex TD problem

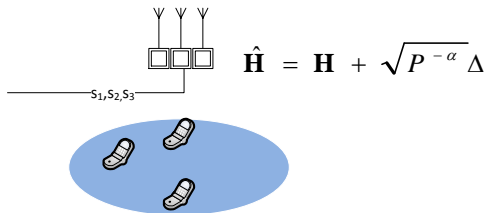


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- Very successful to obtain new innovative insights, discover new behaviours (MIMO, IA, delayed CSIT,...)

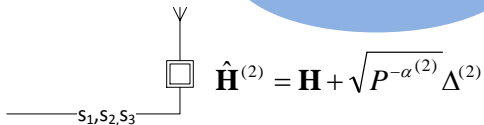
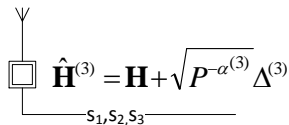
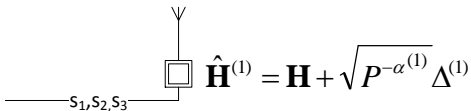
What is Known: Sum DoF with Centralized Noisy CSIT

- DoF in the K -users MIMO BC with imperfect CSIT recently confirmed [Davoodi and Jafar, 2014]



$$\text{DoF} = 1 + (K - 1)\alpha$$

- Achieved using **simple ZF precoding** + **rate splitting**

Distributed CSIT Configuration: $\alpha^{(1)}, \alpha^{(2)}, \dots, \alpha^{(K)}$ 

DoF = ?

DoF under Distributed CSIT: Conventional (ZF) precoding

- DoF of Joint Precoding across K distributed TX under D-CSIT, K single-antenna users
- ZF shown to be **very inefficient** [de Kerret and Gesbert, 2012, TIT]:

$$\text{DoF}^{\text{ZF}} = 1 + (K - 1) \min_j \alpha^{(j)}$$

- Can we do **better**?

Principles of New Scheme (Example for $K = 3$)

Key principles:

- Layered precoding
- Layer 1: Transmit with approximate precoder
- Layer 2: Best informed TX regenerates and quantizes interference created by layer 1
- Superpose (multicast) Layer 2 on top of layer 1
- Decode and suppress interference at each user.

We distinguish:

- Arbitrary CSIT regime ($\alpha_i \in [0, 1], \forall i$)
- Weak CSIT regime ($\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_K$) are "small"

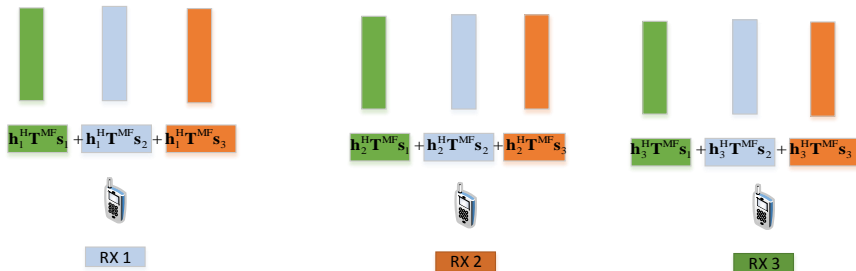
Case $K = 3$ Users: A First Simple Scheme

- Without loss of generality: TX 1 is best informed TX

$$\alpha^{(1)} \geq \alpha^{(2)} \geq \alpha^{(3)}$$

- We transmit 3 symbols per user using e.g. a distributed Matched Precoder with power $P^{(\alpha_1)}/9$

$$\mathbf{T}^{\text{MF}(j)} \triangleq \frac{\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}}{\|\hat{\mathbf{H}}^{(j)}\|_F} \sqrt{P}$$



Reconstructing the Approximate Interference

- TX 1 uses its CSIT to reconstruct the interference term:

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\mathbf{h}}_1^{(1)})^H \mathbf{T}^{\text{MF}} \mathbf{s}_2 &= (\mathbf{h}_1 + P^{-\alpha^{(1)}} \delta_1^{(1)})^H \mathbf{T}^{\text{MF}} \mathbf{s}_2 \\ &= \mathbf{h}_1^H \mathbf{T}^{\text{MF}} \mathbf{s}_2 + \underbrace{P^{-\alpha^{(1)}} (\delta_1^{(1)})^H \mathbf{T}^{\text{MF}} \mathbf{s}_2}_{\sim P^0} \end{aligned}$$

➔ TX 1 can compute DoF-perfect estimates of the interference terms!

- Quantize the interference using $\alpha^{(1)} \log_2(P)$ bits per term if interference term scales in $P^{\alpha^{(1)}}$
- Superpose a multicast message of $(1 - \alpha^{(1)}) \log_2(P)$ bits, which will include quantized interference

DoF Analysis: The weak CSIT case ($\alpha^{(1)} < \frac{1}{1+K(K-1)} = 1/7$)

- The 6 quantized interference terms can be broadcast by TX 1 if

$$\underbrace{6\alpha^{(1)} \log_2(P)}_{\text{number of bits to quantize all interference terms}} \leq \underbrace{(1 - \alpha^{(1)}) \log_2(P)}_{\text{rate of the broadcast data symbol}} \Leftrightarrow \alpha^{(1)} \leq \frac{1}{7}$$

If the inequality is strict, we complete with fresh information bits

- DoF achieved is then

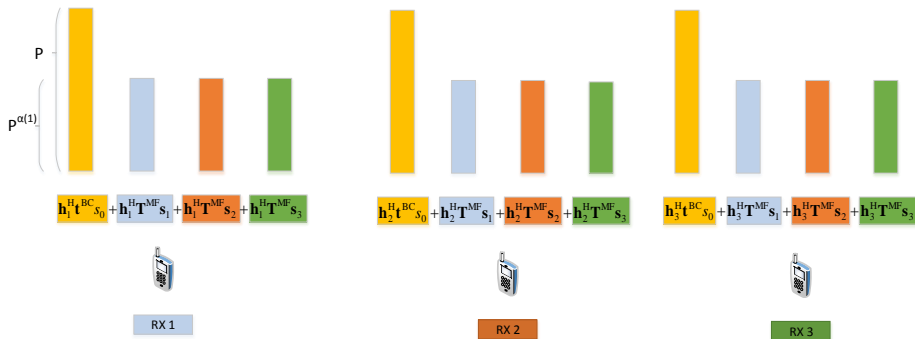
$$\text{DoF} = \underbrace{9\alpha^{(1)}}_{\text{information transmitted initially}} + \underbrace{(1 - 7\alpha^{(1)})}_{\text{fresh information bits to complete the broadcast}} = 1 + 2\alpha^{(1)}$$

$$\text{DoF} = 1 + (K - 1) \max_i \alpha^{(i)}$$

(instead of $\text{DoF} = 1 + (K - 1) \min_i \alpha^{(i)}$!!)

A First Transmission Scheme in One Slide

- TX 1, 2, 3 jointly transmit K symbols to each user using a distributed Matched Precoder $\mathbf{T}^{\text{MF}(j)} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times K}$ with power $P^{\alpha^{(1)}}/K$
- TX 1 transmits the estimated quantized interference using the power $P - P^{\alpha^{(1)}}$ (equivalently from all TXs using the beamformer $\mathbf{t}^{\text{BC}} \triangleq [1, 0, 0]^T$)



Weak CSIT Regime: Improved results

- Improved scheme: TXs perform **Active-Passive Zero-Forcing** precoding
 - TX 2, ..., TX K perform **arbitrary** precoding (passive)
 - TX 1 compensates with **ZF precoding** (active)

Theorem ([de Kerret and Gesbert, 2016, ISIT])

In the weak CSIT regime, defined by

$$\max_{j \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \alpha^{(j)} \leq \frac{1}{1 + K(K - 2)}$$

We have that:

$$\text{DoF}^{\text{DCSI}}(\alpha) \geq 1 + (K - 1) \max_{j \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \alpha^{(j)}$$

Outer bound

Theorem

The Centralized Outerbound In the K-user Network MIMO channel with distributed CSIT:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{DoF}^{\text{DCSI}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) &\leq \text{DoF}^{\text{CCSI}}\left(\max_{j \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \alpha^{(j)}\right) \\ &= 1 + (K - 1) \max_{j \in \{1, \dots, K\}} \alpha^{(j)}\end{aligned}$$

Key ideas:

- DoF is upperbounded by DoF achieved by full CSIT exchange
- Having multiple CSIT with $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_K$ doesn't help over having just best CSIT (α_1)

⇒ **matches** the achieved DoF for weak CSIT!

Arbitrary CSIT Regime with $K = 3$

Theorem

In the 3-user Network MIMO with distributed CSIT and $\alpha^{(1)} \geq \alpha^{(2)} \geq \alpha^{(3)}$, it holds that

$$\text{DoF}^{\text{DCSI}}(\alpha) \geq \begin{cases} 1 + 2\alpha^{(1)} & \text{if } \alpha^{(1)} \leq \frac{1}{4} \\ 3 \frac{2\alpha^{(1)} - \alpha^{(2)} + 2\alpha^{(1)}\alpha^{(2)}}{4\alpha^{(1)} - \alpha^{(2)}} & \text{if } \alpha^{(1)} \geq \frac{1}{4}. \end{cases}$$

Optimal DoF for $K = 3$ users:

- In the weak CSIT regime
- In any CSIT regime with $\alpha^{(1)} = \alpha^{(2)}$ (regardless of what user 3 knows)

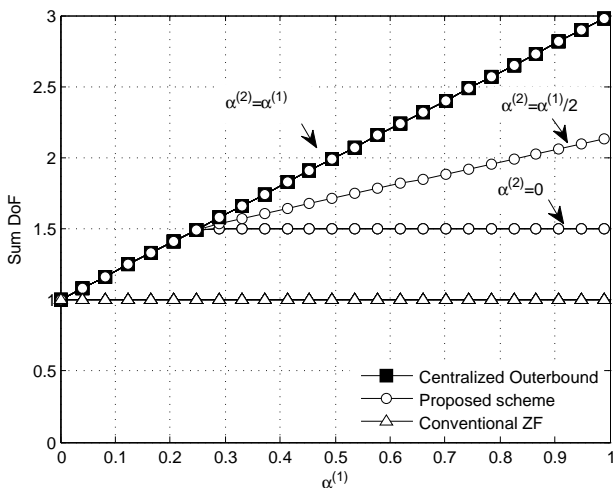
DoF for $K = 3$ Users

Figure: Sum DoF as a function of $\alpha^{(1)}$. User 3 has no CSIT ($\alpha^{(3)} = 0$)

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Binary Power Control over Interference Channels

$$(p_1^*, p_2^*) = \underset{(p_1, p_2) \in \mathcal{P}}{\operatorname{argmax}} [R(p_1(\mathbf{G}^{(1)}), p_2(\mathbf{G}^{(2)}))]$$

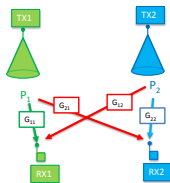
where

$$R(P_1, P_2) = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{G_{11}P_1}{1 + G_{12}P_2} \right) + \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{G_{22}P_2}{1 + G_{21}P_1} \right).$$

and

$$p_j : \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{R}_+^4 \rightarrow \{P_j^{\min}, P_j^{\max}\} \\ \mathbf{G}^{(j)} \mapsto p_j(\mathbf{G}^{(j)}) \end{array}$$

- Key Example because:
 - Binary optimization with (relatively) low dimensional channel state
 - Weaker dependency with the channel state
- ➡ Less difficulties



Identification of the Parameters

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Discretization for Power Control –Refresher (1)–

Main Idea: Quantize the channel state space to reduce the dimension

➔ Replace the strategy p_j by $p_j(Q^{cb})$ where

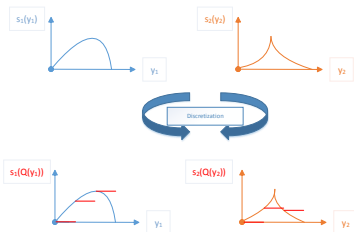
$$Q^{cb} : \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^{cb} \triangleq \{\mathbf{G}_1^{cb}, \dots, \mathbf{G}_{n^{cb}}^{cb}\}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{G}}^{(j)} \mapsto \operatorname{argmin}_{\hat{\mathbf{G}} \in \mathcal{C}^{cb}} \|\hat{\mathbf{G}} - \hat{\mathbf{G}}^{(j)}\|^2$$

- Optimization subspace reduced to a space of dimension n^{cb}

$$p_j(Q^{cb}) : \mathcal{C}^{cb} \rightarrow \{P^{\min}, P^{\max}\}$$

$$\mathbf{G}_i \mapsto p_j(\mathbf{G}_i)$$



Discretization for Power Control –Refresher (2)–

- Best response power allocation strategy: Solve iteratively

- At TX 1, $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n^{\text{cb}}\}$,

$$p_1^{\text{BR}}(\mathbf{G}_i^{\text{cb}}) = \underset{P_1 \in \{P_1^{\min}, P_1^{\max}\}}{\text{argmax}} \mathbb{E} \left[R(\mathbf{G}, P_1, p_2^{\text{BR}}(\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{G}^{(2)})) | \mathbf{G}^{(1)} = \mathbf{G}_i^{\text{cb}}) \right]$$

- At TX 2, $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n^{\text{cb}}\}$,

$$p_2^{\text{BR}}(\mathbf{G}_i^{\text{cb}}) = \underset{P_2 \in \{P_2^{\min}, P_2^{\max}\}}{\text{argmax}} \mathbb{E} \left[R(\mathbf{G}, p_1^{\text{BR}}(\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{G}^{(1)})), P_2 | \mathbf{G}^{(2)} = \mathbf{G}_i^{\text{cb}}) \right]$$

Reach optimal strategy given the strategy of the other TX

Discretization for Power Control –Refresher (3)–

- Approximation of the expectation using Monte-Carlo runs with n^{MC} samples
- At TX 1, $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n^{\text{cb}}\}$,

$$p_1^{\text{BR}}(\mathbf{G}_i^{\text{cb}}) = \underset{P_1 \in \{P_1^{\min}, P_1^{\max}\}}{\text{argmax}} \frac{1}{n^{\text{MC}}} \sum_{i=1}^{n^{\text{MC}}} R\left(\mathbf{G}_i, P_1, p_2^{\text{BR}}(Q^{\text{cb}}(\mathbf{G}_i^{(2)}))\right), \quad \forall i_1 \in \{1, \dots, n^{\text{cb}}\}$$

where $(\mathbf{G}_i, \mathbf{G}_i^{(2)}) \sim f_{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{G}^{(2)} | \mathbf{G}^{(1)} = \mathbf{G}_i^{\text{cb}}}$.

Simulations Parameters

- Rayleigh fading with uniform pathloss
- CSIT Model

$$\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \triangleq \sqrt{1 - \sigma_j^2} \mathbf{H} + \sigma_j \mathbf{\Delta}$$

where $\mathbf{\Delta} \sim \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(0, 1)$ and $\mathbf{H} \sim \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(0, 1)$, and

$$\{\mathbf{G}^{(j)}\}_{i,k} \triangleq \left| \{\mathbf{H}^{(j)}\}_{i,k} \right|^2, \quad \forall i, k \in \{1, \dots, K\}.$$

- Codebook:
 - Product of scalar codebooks using 10 codewords from Lloyd algorithm for each scalar.
 - Hence: $n^{\text{codebook}} = 10^4 = 10000$
 - Stochastic approximation using $n^{\text{MC}} = 500$

Simulation Results (1)

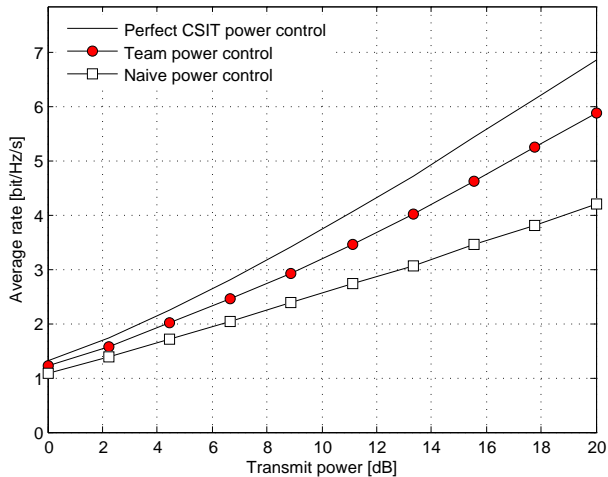


Figure: Average sum rate for $\sigma_1^2 = 1$ and $\sigma_2^2 = 0$.

Simulation Results (2)

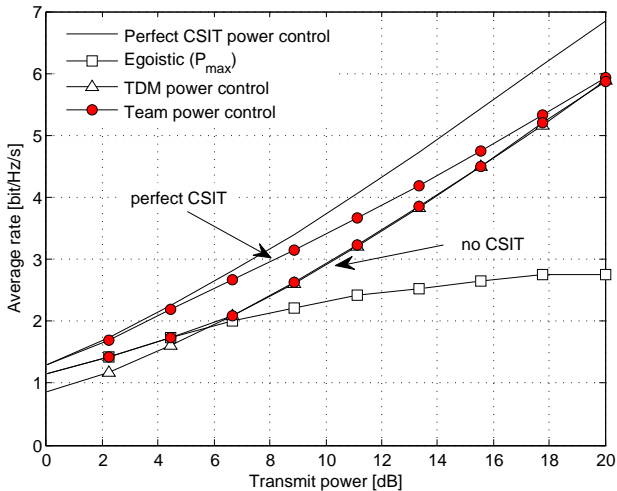


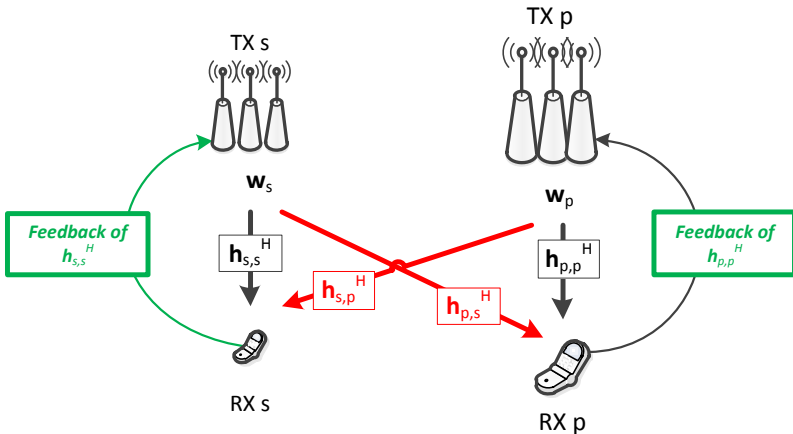
Figure: Comparison with schemes from the literature.

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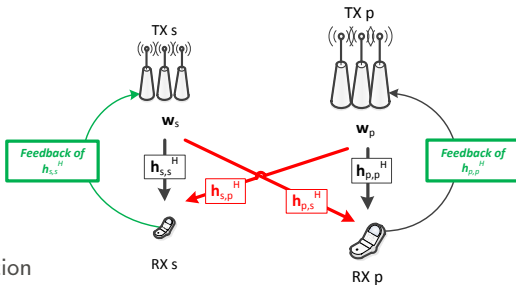
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Cognitive Radio Beamforming

- Rate maximization of a **secondary** TX while preserving a **rate constraint** for the primary TX: Underlay Cognitive Radio [Haykin, 2005, JSAC]



Team Decision Cognitive Radio Beamforming



- CSI configuration
 - TX s only knows $h_{s,s}$ and multi-user statistics $R_{i,j}$
 - TX p only knows $h_{p,p}$ and multi-user statistics $R_{i,j}$

➔ Coordination using only the **statistics**



Functional Optimization Problem

Optimization Problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{w}_p^*, \mathbf{w}_s^*) &= \underset{(\mathbf{w}_p, \mathbf{w}_s)}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{E} [R_s(\mathbf{w}_p(\mathbf{h}_{p,p}), \mathbf{w}_s(\mathbf{h}_{s,s}))] \\
 \text{s. to } &\mathbb{E} [R_p(\mathbf{w}_p(\mathbf{h}_{p,p}), \mathbf{w}_s(\mathbf{h}_{s,s}))] \geq \tau > 0, \\
 &0 \leq \|\mathbf{w}_p(\mathbf{h}_{p,p})\|^2 \leq P_p^{\max} \\
 &0 \leq \|\mathbf{w}_s(\mathbf{h}_{s,s})\|^2 \leq P_s^{\max}
 \end{aligned} \tag{R}$$

where for $j \in \{s, p\}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{w}_j &: \mathbb{C}^{M_j} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{M_j} \\
 \mathbf{h}_{j,j} &\mapsto \mathbf{w}_j(\mathbf{h}_{j,j})
 \end{aligned}$$

Identification of the Parameters

Table: Team Decision Modeling for Cognitive Radio

Notations for the Team Decision Problems		
State-of-the-world	\mathbf{x}	$\{\mathbf{h}_{s,s}, \mathbf{h}_{s,p}, \mathbf{h}_{p,s}, \mathbf{h}_{p,p}\}$
Estimate at DM j	$\mathbf{x}^{(j)}$	$\mathbf{h}_{j,j}$
Strategy at DM j	\mathbf{s}_j	\mathbf{w}_j
Decision space at DM j	\mathcal{A}_j	\mathbb{C}^{M_j}
Objective	f	R_s s.t. (R)

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Key Idea: Codebook of Functions [Filippou et al., 2016, TWC]

Functional optimization difficult \Rightarrow Parametrization of the decision space using a codebook of functions

- Here: 2 functions (strategies) labelled s and p
- Choose these strategies from efficient heuristics

Optimization Problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathbf{w}_p^*, \mathbf{w}_s^*) &= \underset{(\mathbf{w}_p, \mathbf{w}_s)}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{E} [R_s(\mathbf{w}_p(\mathbf{h}_{p,p}), \mathbf{w}_s(\mathbf{h}_{s,s}))] \\
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 &0 \leq \|\mathbf{w}_s(\mathbf{h}_{s,s})\|^2 \leq P_s^{\max} \\
 &(\mathbf{w}_p^*, \mathbf{w}_s^*) \in \left\{ (\mathbf{w}_p^{\text{cb},1}, \mathbf{w}_s^{\text{cb},1}), \dots, (\mathbf{w}_p^{\text{cb},n^{\text{cb}}}, \mathbf{w}_s^{\text{cb},n^{\text{cb}}}) \right\}
 \end{aligned} \tag{R}$$

where for $j \in \{s, p\}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{w}_j^{\text{cb},i} : \mathbb{C}^{M_j} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{M_j} \\
 \mathbf{h}_{j,j} &\mapsto \mathbf{w}_j^{\text{cb}}(\mathbf{h}_{j,j})
 \end{aligned}$$

Strategy p

- TX p
 - TX p uses matched precoding

$$\mathbf{u}_p^{\text{MF}} \triangleq \frac{\mathbf{h}_{p,p}}{\|\mathbf{h}_{p,p}\|}$$

- TX p transmits with full power $\bar{P}_p = P_p^{\text{max}}$
- TX s :

- TX s transmits using the statistical ZF precoder

$$\mathbf{u}_s^{\text{sZF}} \triangleq \underset{\mathbf{u}}{\text{argmin}} \mathbf{u}^H \mathbf{R}_{p,s} \mathbf{u}$$

- TX s controls its average transmit power \bar{P}_s to fulfill the rate constraint (R)

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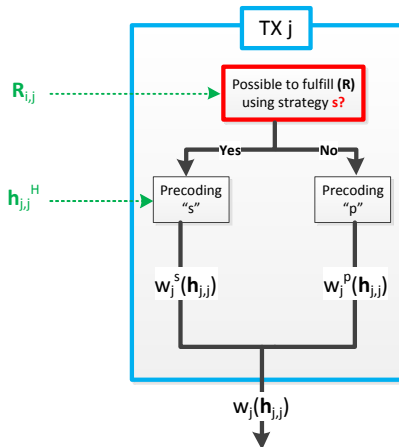
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Some Intuition

- TX p can reduce its power only if TX s can anticipate it: Coordination required to guarantee (R)
- Strategy s
 - Large objective
 - Rate constraint might be unfeasible
- Strategy p
 - Low objective
 - Rate constraint guaranteed

Statistical Coordination Algorithm [Filippou et al., 2016, TWC]



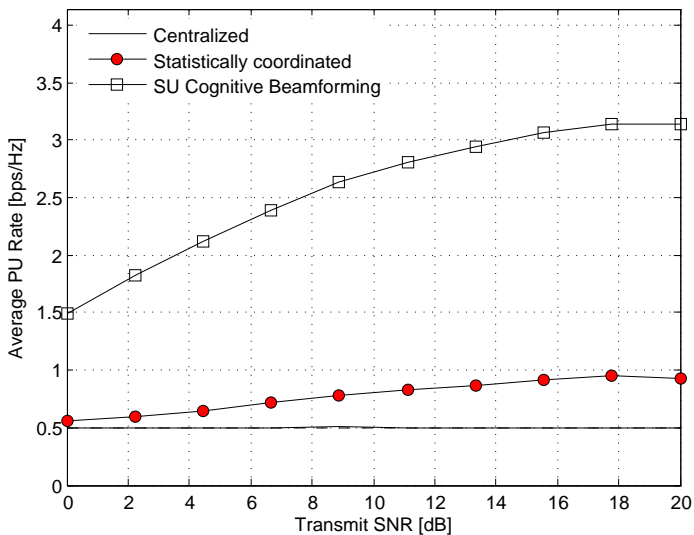
Simulations Parameters

- $M_s = M_p = 3$ antennas per-TX
- Correlation matrices

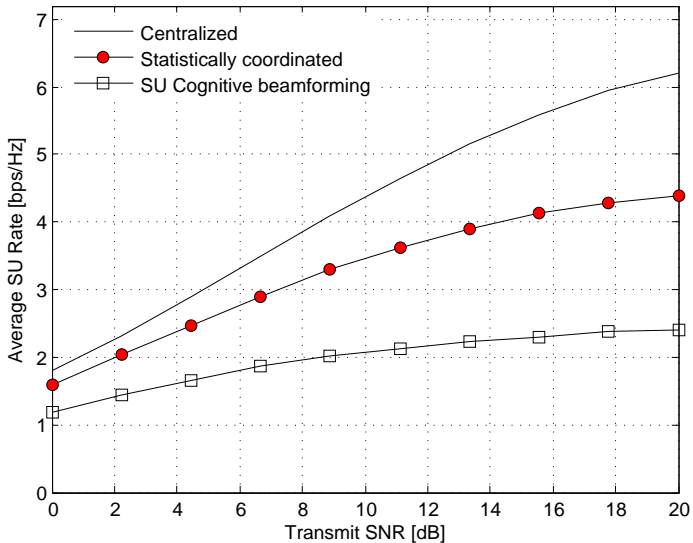
$$\mathbf{R}_{p,p} = \mathbf{R}_{s,s} = \mathbf{I}_3, \quad \mathbf{R}_{p,s} = \mathbf{R}_{s,p} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho & \rho^2 \\ \rho & 1 & \rho \\ \rho^2 & \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Use in the following $\rho = 0.5$ and $\tau = 0.5\text{bps/Hz}$

Ergodic rate of the PU



Ergodic rate of the SU



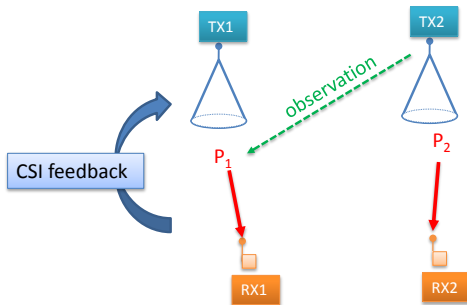
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Coded Power Control

- TX 1 with non-causal CSI knowledge
- TX 2 observes transmit power P_1 :

↳ implicit coordination



Modelization

- random state $H = \{G_{1,1}, G_{2,1}, G_{1,2}, G_{2,2}\}$ with fixed law $\rho(H)$ over \mathcal{H}
- TX i chooses its power levels P_i in \mathcal{P}_i
- TX 2 observes Z with fixed law $\Gamma(z|P_1)$.
- Strategy of Agent 1: $(w_{1,i})_{1 \leq i \leq T}$ with:

$$w_{1,i} : \underbrace{\mathcal{H}^T}_{\text{CSI}} \times \underbrace{\mathcal{P}_1^{i-1}}_{\text{past actions}} \times \emptyset \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_1$$

- Strategy of Agent 2: $(w_{2,i})_{1 \leq i \leq T}$ with:

$$w_{2,i} : \underbrace{\mathcal{H}^{i-1} \times \mathcal{Z}^{i-1} \times \mathcal{P}_2^{i-1}}_{\text{past}} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}_2$$

Auxiliary notion

Definition (Implementability)

$P_{H_i, P_{1,i}, P_{2,i}, Z_i}$: joint distribution induced by $(w_{1,i}, w_{2,i})_{i \geq 1}$ at stage i .

The distribution $Q(h, p_1, p_2)$ is implementable if there exists a pair of strategies $(w_{1,i}, w_{2,i})_{i \geq 1}$ such that for all (h, p_1, p_2) ,

$$\frac{1}{T} \sum_{i=1}^T \sum_y P_{H_i, P_{1,i}, P_{2,i}, Y_i}(h, p_1, p_2, z) \rightarrow Q(h, p_1, p_2)$$

as $T \rightarrow \infty$.

Feasible utilities

A certain utility value \underline{f} is reachable if and only if there exists an implementable distribution Q such that $\underline{f} = \mathbb{E}_Q[f]$.

Theorem ([Larrousse and Lasaulce, 2013])

Let $\bar{Q} \in \Delta(\mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{P}_1 \times \mathcal{P}_2)$ with $\sum_{(p_1, p_2)} \bar{Q}(h, p_1, p_2) = \rho(h)$. The distribution \bar{Q} is implementable if there exists $Q \in \Delta(\mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{P}_1 \times \mathcal{P}_2 \times \mathcal{Z})$ which verifies:

$$I_Q(H; P_2) \leq I_Q(P_1; Z|H, P_2)$$

where the arguments of the mutual information $I_Q(\cdot)$ are defined from Q and $Q(h, p_1, p_2, y) = \bar{Q}(h, p_1, p_2)\Gamma(z|p_1)$.

Remark: This theorem also characterizes expected payoff.

Convex Optimization Problem

$$\text{maximize } \mathbb{E}_{\underline{q}}[f] = \sum_{\ell=1}^L q_{\ell} f_{\ell}$$

$$\text{subject to } I_{\underline{q}}(H; P_2) \leq I_{\underline{q}}(P_1; Z|H, P_2)$$

$$q_{\ell} \geq 0$$

$$\sum_{\ell=1}^L q_{\ell} = 1$$

$$\sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}_H(h)} q_{\ell} = \rho(h), \quad \forall h,$$

$$\frac{\sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}_{P_1, Z}(p_1, z)} q_{\ell}}{\sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}_{P_1}(p_1)} q_{\ell}} = \Gamma(z|p_1), \quad \forall (p_1, z)$$

Application: MAC Power Control

- 2-user MAC with binary power control
- 2 possible states: $\mathcal{H} = \{\{g_{\min}, g_{\max}\}, \{g_{\max}, g_{\min}\}\}$

	P_{\min}	P_{\max}
P_{\min}	0	20
P_{\max}	1	$\simeq 10$

$$x_0 = (g_{\min}, g_{\max})$$

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P_{\min}	0	1
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$$x_0 = (g_{\max}, g_{\min})$$

Figure: Payoff table [Larrousse and Lasaulce, 2013]

Source Coding [Larrousse and Lasaulce, 2013]

- Source coding:

$$f_S : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \{m_0, m_1\}$$

$$h \mapsto i$$

TABLE V

PROPOSED SOURCE CODING AND DECODING FOR $p = \frac{1}{2}$.

x_0^3	Index $i = f_S(x_0^3)$	$g_S(i)$
(0,0,0)	m_0	(1,1,1)
(0,0,1)	m_0	(1,1,1)
(0,1,0)	m_0	(1,1,1)
(0,1,1)	m_0	(1,1,1)
(1,0,0)	m_0	(1,1,1)
(1,0,1)	m_0	(1,1,1)
(1,1,0)	m_1	(0,0,1)
(1,1,1)	m_1	(0,0,1)

Channel Coding

- Channel coding:

$$f_C : \begin{array}{l} \{m_0, m_1\} \rightarrow \\ i \mapsto \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{p}_1 = [p_1(1), p_1(2), p_1(3)] \end{array}$$

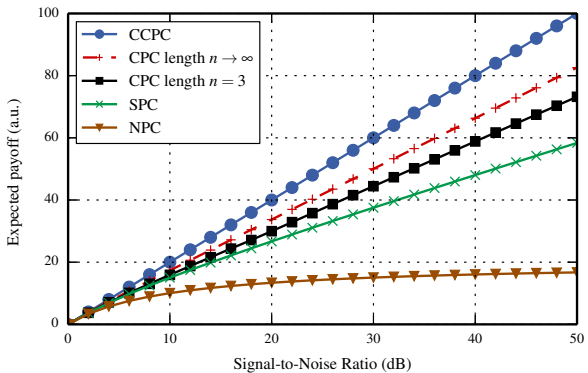
- at block b , find optimal $\mathbf{p}_1^{\text{opt}} = [p_1(1)^{\text{opt}}, p_1(2)^{\text{opt}}, p_1(3)^{\text{opt}}]$ and second optimal $\mathbf{p}_1^{\text{opt}''} = [p_1(1)^{\text{opt}''}, p_1(2)^{\text{opt}''}, p_1(3)^{\text{opt}''}]$
 - If $i = m_0$, send with $\mathbf{p}_1^{\text{opt}}$
 - If $i = m_1$, send with $\mathbf{p}_1^{\text{opt}''}$

Channel Coding [Larrousse and Lasaulce, 2013]

TABLE VI
PROPOSED CHANNEL CODING FOR $p = \frac{1}{2}$.

$x_0^3(b)$	$x_2^3(b)$	i_{b+1}	$x_1^3(b)$
(0,0,0)	(1,1,1)	m_0	(0,0,0)
		m_1	(0,0,1)
(0,0,1)	(1,1,1)	m_0	(0,0,1)
		m_1	(0,0,0)
(0,1,0)	(1,1,1)	m_0	(0,1,0)
		m_1	(0,0,0)
(0,1,1)	(1,1,1)	m_0	(0,1,1)
		m_1	(0,0,1)
(1,0,0)	(1,1,1)	m_0	(1,0,0)
		m_1	(0,0,0)
(1,0,1)	(1,1,1)	m_0	(1,0,1)
		m_1	(0,0,1)
(1,1,0)	(0,0,1)	m_0	(1,1,0)
		m_1	(1,1,1)
(1,1,1)	(0,0,1)	m_0	(1,1,1)
		m_1	(1,1,0)

Simulations [Larrousse and Lasaulce, 2013]



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Device centric coordination

- Relying on **local** communications and **decentralized** computations
- Decentralized cooperation can aim at the good of the network
- **Challenge:** Develop robust one-shot schemes that cope with arbitrary information structures
- Heuristics can be obtained by decoupling the communication from decision problems
- **Open problems**
 - Joint optimization of communications and decision is very challenging
 - Low complexity methods?
 - Information theoretic aspects (capacity under decentralized information settings..) ?
 - Coordination-aware feedback designs (hierarchical,...)

Other impact

- Coordination theory leads to new insights: Impact over network design?
- Implicit coordination: **Coordination for free?**
- Bridge the gap from implicit coordination to distributed optimization?
- Interactions with distributed optimization

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