

Sum Utility Optimization in  
MIMO Multi-User Multi-Cell:  
Centralized and Distributed,  
Perfect and Partial CSIT,  
Fast and Slow CSIT

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- single user (MIMO) in Gaussian noise: Gaussian signaling optimal (avg. power constr.)
- rate stream  $k$  :  $R_k = \ln(1 + \text{SINR}_k)$
- **SINR balancing**:  $\max_{BF} \min_k \text{SINR}_k / \gamma_k$  under Tx power  $P$ , fairness
- related: min Tx power under  $\text{SINR}_k \geq \gamma_k$  **GREEN**
- max **Weighted Sum Rate (WSR)**:  $\max_{BF} \sum_k u_k R_k$ , given  $P$   
weights  $u_k$  may reflect state of queues (to minimize queue overflow)

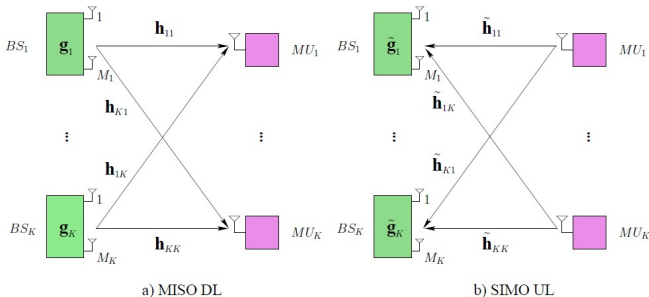
weights also allow to vary orientation of normal to Pareto boundary of rate region and hence to explore whole Pareto boundary if rate region convex

Pareto boundary: cannot increase an  $R_k$  without decreasing some  $R_j$ .

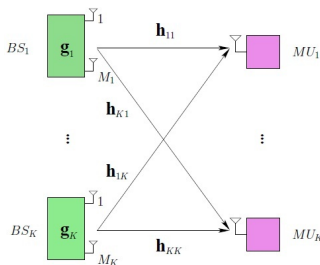
# MISO Interference Channel

- $K$  pairs of multiantenna Base Station (BS) and single antenna Mobile User (MU)
- BS number  $k$  is equipped with  $M_k$  antennas
- $\mathbf{g}_k$  ( $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_k$ ) is the beamformer (RX filter) applied at the  $k$ -th BS in DL (UL) transmission
- $y_k$  is Rx signal at the  $k$ -th MU in the DL phase,  
 $\tilde{r}_k$  is output of Rx filter at the  $k$ -th BS in the UL phase:

$$y_k = \mathbf{h}_{kk} \mathbf{g}_k s_k + \sum_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq k}}^K \mathbf{h}_{kl} \mathbf{g}_l s_l + n_k \quad \tilde{r}_k = \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{kk} \tilde{s}_k + \sum_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq k}}^K \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{kl} \tilde{s}_l + \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_k \tilde{n}_k$$



- MISO DL IFC



- The SINR for the DL channel is:

$$SINR_k^{DL} = \frac{p_k \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{h}_{kk}^H \mathbf{h}_{kk} \mathbf{g}_k}{\sum_{l \neq k} p_l \mathbf{g}_l^H \mathbf{h}_{kl}^H \mathbf{h}_{kl} \mathbf{g}_l + \sigma^2}$$

$p_k$  is the TX power at the  $k$ -th BS.

- Imposing a set of DL SINR constraints at each mobile station:  $SINR_k^{DL} = \gamma_k$  we obtain in matrix notation:

$$\Phi \mathbf{p} + \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{p}$$

with:

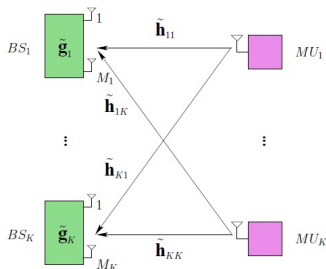
$$[\Phi]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{g}_j^H \mathbf{h}_{ij}^H \mathbf{h}_{ij} \mathbf{g}_j, & j \neq i \\ 0, & j = i \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \text{diag} \left\{ \frac{\gamma_1}{\mathbf{g}_1^H \mathbf{h}_{11}^H \mathbf{h}_{11} \mathbf{g}_1}, \dots, \frac{\gamma_K}{\mathbf{g}_K^H \mathbf{h}_{KK}^H \mathbf{h}_{KK} \mathbf{g}_K} \right\}.$$

- We can determine the TX power solving w.r.t.  $\mathbf{p}$  obtaining:

$$\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{D}^{-1} - \Phi)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \quad (1)$$

- SIMO UL IFC



- Assuming that  $\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{ij} = \mathbf{h}_{ji}^H$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_i = \mathbf{g}_i^H$  the SINR for the UL channel can be written as:

$$SINR_k^{UL} = \frac{q_k \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{h}_{kk}^H \mathbf{h}_{kk} \mathbf{g}_k}{\mathbf{g}_k^H (\sum_{l \neq k} q_l \mathbf{h}_{lk}^H \mathbf{h}_{lk} + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{g}_k}$$

$q_k$  represents the Tx power from the  $k$ -th MS.



- Imposing the same SINR constraints also in the UL:  $SINR_k^{UL} = \gamma_k$  it is possible to rewrite that constraints as:

$$\tilde{\Phi} \mathbf{q} + \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{q}$$

with:

$$[\tilde{\Phi}]_{ij} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{g}_i^H \mathbf{h}_{ji}^H \mathbf{h}_{ji} \mathbf{g}_i, & j \neq i \\ 0, & j = i \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \text{diag} \left\{ \frac{\gamma_1}{\mathbf{g}_1^H \mathbf{h}_{11}^H \mathbf{h}_{11} \mathbf{g}_1}, \dots, \frac{\gamma_K}{\mathbf{g}_K^H \mathbf{h}_{KK}^H \mathbf{h}_{KK} \mathbf{g}_K} \right\}.$$

- The power vector can be found as:

$$\mathbf{q} = (\mathbf{D}^{-1} - \tilde{\Phi})^{-1} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \quad (2)$$

- Comparing the definition we can see that  $\tilde{\Phi} = \Phi^T$ . This implies that there exists a duality relationship between the DL MISO and UL SIMO IFCs.
- We can extend the results for UL-DL duality for MAC/BC [Schubert & Boche'04] to the MISO/SIMO IFC:

Targets  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_K$  are jointly feasible in UL and DL if and only if the spectral radius  $\rho$  of the weighted coupling matrix satisfies  $\rho(\mathbf{D}\Phi) < 1$ .

Both UL and DL have the same SINR feasible region under a sum-power constraint, i.e., target SINRs are feasible in the DL if and only if the same targets are feasible in the UL:

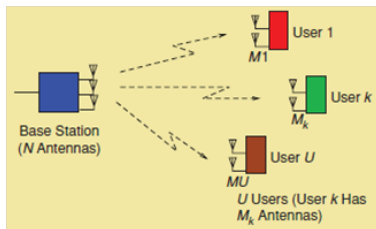
$$\sum_i q_i = \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{q} = \sigma \mathbf{1}^T (\mathbf{D}^{-1} - \Phi^T)^{-T} = \sigma \mathbf{1}^T (\mathbf{D}^{-1} - \Phi)^{-1} = \sum_i \rho_i \quad (3)$$

- Using this results it is possible to extend some BF design techniques used in the BC [Schubert & Boche'04] to the MISO IFC:
  - **Max-Min SINR (SINR Balancing)**
  - **Power minimization under SINR constraints**

- MIMO BC = Multi-User MIMO Downlink
- $N_t$  transmission antennas.
- $K$  users with  $N_k$  receiving antennas.
- Assume perfect CSI
- Possibly multiple streams/user  $d_k$ .
- Power constraint  $P$
- Noise variance  $\sigma^2 = 1$ .
- $\mathbf{H}_k$  the MIMO channel for user  $k$ .

$$\mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{H}_k \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{s}_i + \mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{z}_k$$

$$= \underbrace{\mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{G}_k \mathbf{s}_k}_{\text{useful signal}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^K \mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{s}_i}_{\text{inter-user interference}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{z}_k}_{\text{noise}}$$



## System Model (2)

- Rx signal:  $\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{z}_k = \mathbf{H}_k \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{s}_i + \mathbf{z}_k$

- $$\underbrace{\mathbf{F}_k}_{d_k \times N_k} \underbrace{\mathbf{y}_k}_{N_k \times 1} = \underbrace{\mathbf{F}_k}_{d_k \times N_k} \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_k}_{N_k \times N_t} \sum_{i=1}^K \underbrace{\mathbf{G}_i}_{N_t \times d_i} \underbrace{\mathbf{s}_i}_{d_i \times 1} + \underbrace{\mathbf{F}_k}_{d_k \times N_k} \underbrace{\mathbf{z}_k}_{N_k \times 1}$$

- [Christensen et al: T-WCdec08]: use of linear receivers in MIMO BC is not suboptimal (full CSIT, // SU MIMO): can prefilter  $\mathbf{G}_k$  with a  $d_k \times d_k$  unitary matrix to make interference plus noise prewhitened channel matrix - precoder cascade of user  $k$  orthogonal (columns)
- Optimal MIMO BC design requires DPC, which is significantly more complicated than BF.
- **Multiple receive antennas cannot improve the sum rate prelog.**  
So what benefit can they bring?  
Of course: cancellation of interference from other transmitters (spatially colored noise): not considered here.

# Zero-Forcing (ZF)

- ZF-BF

$$\mathbf{F}_{1:i} \mathbf{H}_{1:i} \mathbf{G}_{1:i} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{F}_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \mathbf{F}_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_1 \\ \mathbf{H}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{H}_i \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{G}_1 \ \mathbf{G}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{G}_i] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_1 \mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{G}_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{F}_2 \mathbf{H}_2 \mathbf{G}_2 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \mathbf{F}_i \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{G}_i \end{bmatrix}$$

- ZF-DPC (modulo reordering issues)

$$\mathbf{F}_{1:i} \mathbf{H}_{1:i} \mathbf{G}_{1:i} =$$

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# Stream Selection Criterion from Sum Rate

- At high SNR, both
  - optimized (MMSE style) filters vs. ZF filters
  - optimized vs. uniform power allocationonly leads to  $\frac{1}{\text{SNR}}$  terms in rates.
- At high SNR, the sum rate is of the form

$$\underbrace{N_t}_{\text{DoF}} \log(\text{SNR}/N_t) + \underbrace{\sum_i \log \det(\mathbf{F}_i \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{G}_i)}_{\text{constant}} + O\left(\frac{1}{\text{SNR}}\right) + \underbrace{O(\log \log(\text{SNR}))}_{\text{noncoherent Tx}}$$

for properly normalized ZF Rx  $\mathbf{F}_i$  and ZF Tx  $\mathbf{G}_i$  (BF or DPC).

# Role of Rx antennas?

- Different distributions of ZF between Tx and Rx give different ZF channel gains! If Rx ZF's  $k$  streams, hence Tx only has to ZF  $M - 1 - k$  streams! So, number of possible solutions (assuming  $d_k \equiv 1$ ):

$$\prod_{k=1}^M \left( \sum_{i=0}^{N_k-1} \frac{(M-1)!}{k!(M-1-k)!} \right)$$

for each user, Rx can ZF  $k$  between 0 and  $N_k - 1$  streams, to choose among  $M - 1$ .

Explains non-convexity of MIMO SR at high SNR.

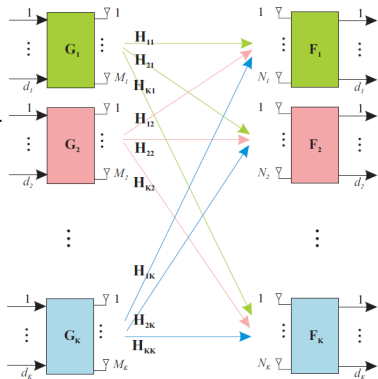
- ZF by Rx can alternatively be interpreted as IA by Tx (Rx adapts Rx-channel cascades to lie in reduced dimension subspace).
- SESAM (and all existing MIMO stream selection algorithms): assumes that all ZF is done by Tx only. Hence, Rx can be a MF, matched to channel-BF cascade.

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# MIMO IFC Introduction

- Interference Alignment (IA) was introduced in [Cadambe, Jafar 2008]
- The objective of IA is to design the Tx beamforming matrices such that the interference at each non intended receiver lies in a common interference subspace
- If alignment is complete at the receiver simple Zero Forcing (ZF) can suppress interference and extract the desired signal
- In [SPAWC2010] we derive a set of interference alignment (IA) feasibility conditions for a  $K$ -link frequency-flat MIMO interference channel (IFC)
- $d = \sum_{k=1}^K d_k$

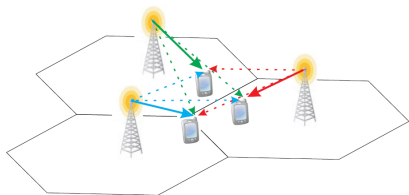


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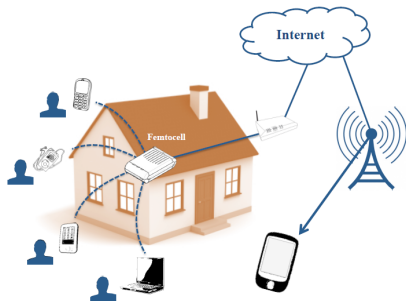
# Possible Application Scenarios

- Multi-cell cellular systems, modeling intercell interference.

Difference from Network MIMO: no exchange of signals, "only" of channel impulse responses.



- HetNets: Coexistence of macrocells and small cells, especially when small cells are considered part of the cellular solution.



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- The number of streams (degrees of freedom (dof)) appearing in a feasible IA scenario correspond to prelogs of feasible multi-user rate tuples in the multi-user rate region.  
Max Weighted Sum Rate (WSR) becomes IA at high SNR.
- **Noisy** IFC: interfering signals are not decoded but treated as (Gaussian) noise.  
Apparently enough for dof.
- Lots of recent work more generally on rate prelog regions: involves time sharing, use of fractional power.

- *linear* IA [GouJafar:IT1210], also called *signal space* IA, only uses the spatial dimensions introduced by multiple antennas.
- *asymptotic* IA [CadambeJafar:IT0808] uses symbol extension (in time and/or frequency), leading to (infinite) symbol extension involving diagonal channel matrices, requiring infinite channel diversity in those dimensions. This leads to infinite latency also. The (sum) DoF of asymptotic MIMO IA are determined by the *decomposition* bound [WangSunJafar:isit12].
- *ergodic* IA [NazerGastparJafarVishwanath:IT1012] explains the factor 2 loss in DoF of SISO IA w.r.t. an interference-free Tx scenario by transmitting the same signal twice at two paired channel uses in which all cross channel links cancel out each other: group channel realizations  $H_1, H_2$  s.t.  $\text{offdiag}(H_2) = -\text{offdiag}(H_1)$ . Ergodic IA also suffers from uncontrolled latency but provides the factor 2 rate loss at any SNR. The DoF of ergodic MIMO IA are also determined by the decomposition bound [LejosneSlockYuan:icassp14].
- *real* IA [MotahariGharanMaddah-AliKhandani:arxiv09], also called *signal scale* IA, exploits discrete signal constellations and is based on the Diophantine equation. Although this approach appears still quite exploratory, some related work based on lattices appears promising.

# IA as a Constrained Compressed SVD

- (compressed) SVD:

$$H = F D' G'^H = F [D \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} G & G'' \end{bmatrix}^H = F D G^H \Rightarrow F^H H G = D$$

- $F_k^H : d_k \times N_k$ ,  $H_{ki} : N_k \times M_i$ ,  $G_i : M_i \times d_i$        $F^H H G =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_1^H & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & F_2^H & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & F_K^H \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} & \cdots & H_{1K} \\ H_{21} & H_{22} & \cdots & H_{2K} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ H_{K1} & H_{K2} & \cdots & H_{KK} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} G_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & G_2 & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & G_K \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_1^H H_{11} G_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & F_2^H H_{22} G_2 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & F_K^H H_{KK} G_K \end{bmatrix}$$

$F^H$ ,  $G$  can be chosen to be unitary for IA

- per user vs per stream approaches:

IA: can absorb the  $d_k \times d_k$   $F_k^H H_{kk} G_k$  in either  $F_k^H$  (per stream LMMSE Rx) or  $G_k$  or both.

WSR: can absorb unitary factors of SVD of  $F_k^H H_{kk} G_k$  in  $F_k^H$ ,  $G_k$  without loss in rate  $\Rightarrow F^H H G = \text{diagonal}$ .

# Interference Alignment: Feasibility Conditions (1)

- To derive the existence conditions we consider the ZF conditions

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{F}_k^H}_{d_k \times N_k} \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_{kl}}_{N_k \times M_l} \underbrace{\mathbf{G}_l}_{M_l \times d_l} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \forall l \neq k$$

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{F}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{kk} \mathbf{G}_k) = d_k, \quad \forall k \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$$

- rank requirement  $\Rightarrow$  SU MIMO condition:  $d_k \leq \min(M_k, N_k)$
- The total number of variables in  $\mathbf{G}_k$  is  $d_k M_k - d_k^2 = d_k(M_k - d_k)$   
Only the subspace of  $\mathbf{G}_k$  counts, it is determined up to a  $d_k \times d_k$  mixture matrix.
- The total number of variables in  $\mathbf{F}_k^H$  is  $d_k N_k - d_k^2 = d_k(N_k - d_k)$   
Only the subspace of  $\mathbf{F}_k^H$  counts, it is determined up to a  $d_k \times d_k$  mixture matrix.

# Interference Alignment: Feasibility Conditions (2)

- A solution for the interference alignment problem can only exist if the **total number of variables is greater than or equal to the total number of constraints** i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{k=1}^K d_k(M_k - d_k) + \sum_{k=1}^K d_k(N_k - d_k) &\geq \sum_{i \neq j=1}^K d_i d_j \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^K d_k(M_k + N_k - 2d_k) &\geq (\sum_{k=1}^K d_k)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K d_k^2 \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^K d_k(M_k + N_k) &\geq (\sum_{k=1}^K d_k)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^K d_k^2\end{aligned}$$

- In the symmetric case:  $d_k = d$ ,  $M_k = M$ ,  $N_k = N$ :

$$d \leq \frac{M+N}{K+1}$$

- For the  $K = 3$  user case ( $M = N$ ):  $d = \frac{M}{2}$ .

With 3 parallel MIMO links, half of the (interference-free) resources are available!

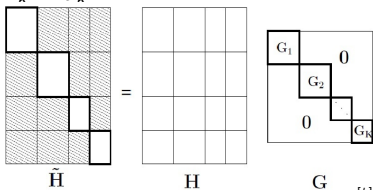
However  $d \leq \frac{1}{(K+1)/2} M < \frac{1}{2} M$  for  $K > 3$ .



# Interference Alignment: Feasibility Conditions (3)

The main idea of IA is to convert the alignment requirements at each RX into a rank condition of an associated interference matrix

$\mathbf{H}_i^{[k]} = [\mathbf{H}_{k1} \mathbf{G}_1, \dots, \mathbf{H}_{k(k-1)} \mathbf{G}_{(k-1)}, \mathbf{H}_{k(k+1)} \mathbf{G}_{(k+1)}, \dots, \mathbf{H}_{kk} \mathbf{G}_K]$ , that spans the interference subspace at the  $k$ -th RX (the shaded blocks in each block row). Thus the dimension of the Interference subspace must satisfy  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{H}_i^{[k]}) = r_i^{[k]} \leq N_k - d_k$



The equation above prescribes an upperbound for  $r_i^{[k]}$  but the nature of the channel matrix (full rank) and the rank requirement of the BF specifies the following lower bound  $r_i^{[k]} \geq \max_{l \neq k} (d_l - [M_l - N_k]_+)$ . Imposing a rank  $r_i^{[k]}$  on  $\mathbf{H}_i^{[k]}$  implies imposing  $(N_k - r_i^{[k]}) (\sum_{\substack{l=1 \\ l \neq k}}^K d_l - r_i^{[k]})$  constraints at RX  $k$ . Enforcing the minimum number of constraints on the system implies to have maximum rank:  $r_i^{[k]} \leq \min(d_{\text{tot}}, N_k) - d_k$

# Interference Alignment: Feasibility Conditions (3)

- [BreslerTse:arxiv11]: counting equations and variables not the whole story!
- appears in very "rectangular" ( $\neq$  square) MIMO systems
- example:  $(M, N, d)^K = (4, 8, 3)^3$  MIMO IFC system  
comparing variables and ZF equations:  
$$d = \frac{M+N}{K+1} = \frac{4+8}{3+1} = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$
 should be possible
- supportable interference subspace dim. =  $N - d = 8 - 3 = 5$
- however, the 2 interfering  $8 \times 4$  cross channels generate 4-dimensional subspaces which in an 8-dimensional space do not intersect w.p. 1 !
- hence, the interfering  $4 \times 3$  transmit filters cannot massage their 6-dimensional joint interference subspace into a 5-dimensional subspace!
- This issue is not captured by # variables vs # equations:  
 $d = \frac{M+N}{K+1}$  only depends on  $M + N$ :  $(5, 7, 3)^3$ ,  $(6, 6, 3)^3$  work.

- We shall focus here on linear IA, in which the spatial Tx filters align their various interference terms at a given user in a common subspace so that a Rx filter can zero force (ZF) it. Since linear IA only uses spatial filtering, it leads to low latency.
- The DoF of linear IA are upper bounded by the so-called **proper bound** [Negro:eusipco09], [Negro:spawc10], [YetisGouJafarKayran:SP10], which simply counts the number of filter variables vs. the number of ZF constraints.
- The proper bound is not always attained though because to make interference subspaces align, the channel subspaces in which they live have to sufficiently overlap to begin with, which is not always the case, as captured by the so-called **quantity bound** [Tingting:arxiv0913] and first elucidated in [BreslerCartwrightTse:allerton11], [BreslerCartwrightTse:itw11], [WangSunJafar:isit12].
- The transmitter coordination required for DL IA in a multi-cell setting corresponds to the Interfering Broadcast Channel (IBC). Depending on the number of interfering cells, the BS may run out of antennas to serve more than one user, which then leads to the Interference Channel (IC).

# I and Q components: IA with Real Symbol Streams

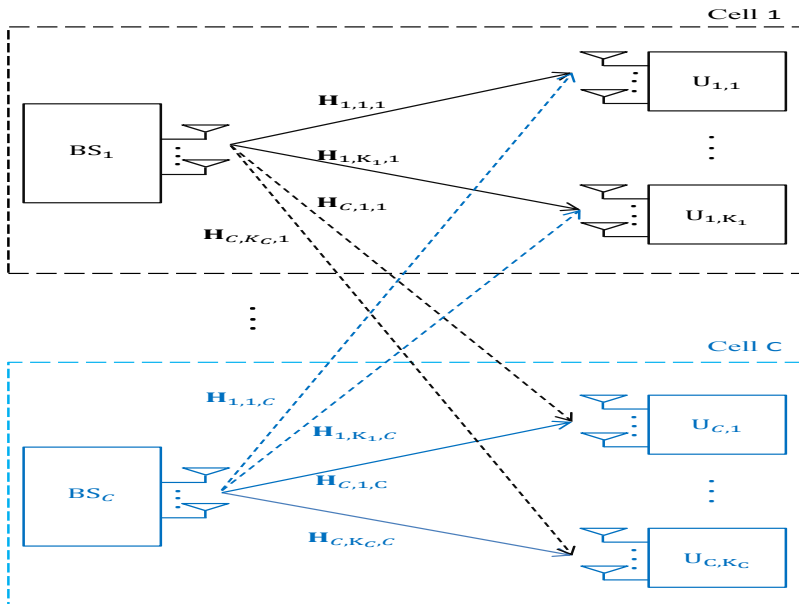
- Using real signal constellations in place of complex constellations, transmission over a complex channel of any given dimension can be interpreted as transmission over a real channel of double the original dimensions (by treating the I and Q components as separate channels).
- This doubling of dimensions provides additional flexibility in achieving the total DoF available in the network.
- Split complex quantities in I and Q components:

$$\mathbf{H}_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{H}_{ij}\} & -\operatorname{Im}\{\mathbf{H}_{ij}\} \\ \operatorname{Im}\{\mathbf{H}_{ij}\} & \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{H}_{ij}\} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{x}\} \\ \operatorname{Im}\{\mathbf{x}\} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Example: GMSK in GSM: was considered as wasting half of the resources, but in fact unknowingly anticipated interference treatment: **3 interfering GSM links can each support one GMSK signal without interference by proper joint Tx/Rx design!** (SAIC: handles 1 interferer, requires only Rx design).

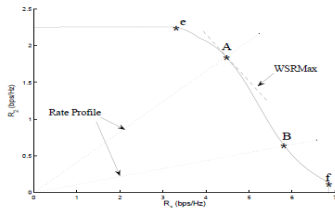
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# MIMO Interfering Broadcast Channel (IBC)



# From IA to Optimized IFC's

- from Interference Alignment (=ZF) to max Sum Rate (SR) for the "Noisy IFC".
- to vary the point reached on the rate region boundary: SR  $\rightarrow$  Weighted SR (WSR)
- problem: IFC rate region not convex  $\Rightarrow$  multiple (local) optima for WSR (multiple boundary points with same tangent direction)
- solution of [CuiZhang:ita10]: WSR  $\rightarrow$  max SR under rate profile constraint:  $\frac{R_1}{\alpha_1} = \frac{R_2}{\alpha_2} = \dots = \frac{R_K}{\alpha_K}$  :  $K-1$  constraints. Pro: explores systematically rate region boundary. Con: for a fixed rate profile, bad links drag down good links.  $\Rightarrow$  stick to (W)SR (monitoring global opt issues). Note: multiple WSR solutions  $\Leftrightarrow$  multiple IA solutions.



- max WSR Tx BF design with perfect CSIT
  - using WSR - WSMSE relation
  - from difference of concave to linearized concave
  - MIMO BC: local optima, deterministic annealing
- Gaussian partial CSIT
- max EWSR Tx design w partial CSIT
- Line of Sight (LoS) based partial CSIT
- max EWSR Tx design with LoS based CSIT



# MIMO IBC with Linear Tx/Rx, single stream

- IBC with  $C$  cells with a total of  $K$  users. System-wide user numbering: the  $N_k \times 1$  Rx signal at user  $k$  in cell  $b_k$  is

$$y_k = \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} \mathbf{g}_k x_k}_{\text{signal}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\substack{i \neq k \\ b_i = b_k}} \mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} \mathbf{g}_i x_i}_{\text{intracell interf.}} + \underbrace{\sum_{j \neq b_k} \sum_{i: b_i = j} \mathbf{H}_{k,j} \mathbf{g}_i x_i}_{\text{intercell interf.}} + v_k$$

where  $x_k =$  intended (white, unit variance) scalar signal stream,  $\mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} = N_k \times M_{b_k}$  channel from BS  $b_k$  to user  $k$ . BS  $b_k$  serves  $K_{b_k} = \sum_{i: b_i = b_k} 1$  users. Noise whitened signal representation  $\Rightarrow v_k \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, I_{N_k})$ .

- The  $M_{b_k} \times 1$  spatial Tx filter or beamformer (BF) is  $\mathbf{g}_k$ .
- Treating interference as noise, user  $k$  will apply a linear Rx filter  $\mathbf{f}_k$  to maximize the signal power (diversity) while reducing any residual interference that would not have been (sufficiently) suppressed by the BS Tx. The Rx filter output is  $\hat{x}_k = \mathbf{f}_k^H y_k$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}_k &= \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} \mathbf{g}_k x_k + \sum_{i=1, \neq k}^K \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{k,b_i} \mathbf{g}_i x_i + \mathbf{f}_k^H v_k \\ &= \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{h}_{k,k} x_k + \sum_{i \neq k} \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{h}_{k,i} x_i + \mathbf{f}_k^H v_k \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{h}_{k,i} = \mathbf{H}_{k,b_i} \mathbf{g}_i$  is the channel-Tx cascade vector.

# Max Weighted Sum Rate (WSR)

- Weighted sum rate (WSR)

$$WSR = WSR(\mathbf{g}) = \sum_{k=1}^K u_k \ln \frac{1}{e_k}$$

where  $\mathbf{g} = \{\mathbf{g}_k\}$ , the  $u_k$  are rate weights

- MMSEs  $e_k = e_k(\mathbf{g})$

$$\frac{1}{e_k} = 1 + \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H R_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k = (1 - \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H R_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k)^{-1}$$
$$R_k = R_k + \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H, \quad R_k = \sum_{i \neq k} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_i^H \mathbf{H}_k^H + I_{N_k},$$

$R_k, R_k^-$  = total, interference plus noise Rx cov. matrices resp.

- MMSE  $e_k$  obtained at the output  $\hat{x}_k = \mathbf{f}_k^H y_k$  of the optimal (MMSE) linear Rx

$$\mathbf{f}_k = R_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k.$$

- For a general Rx filter  $\mathbf{f}_k$  we have the MSE  $e_k(\mathbf{f}_k, \mathbf{g})$ 

$$= (1 - \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k)(1 - \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{f}_k) + \sum_{i \neq k} \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_i^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{f}_k + \|\mathbf{f}_k\|^2$$

$$= 1 - \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k - \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{f}_k + \sum_i \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_i^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{f}_k + \|\mathbf{f}_k\|^2.$$
- The  $WSR(\mathbf{g})$  is a non-convex and complicated function of  $\mathbf{g}$ . Inspired by [Christensen:TW1208], we introduced [Negro:ita10],[Negro:ita11] an augmented cost function, the **Weighted Sum MSE**,  $WSMSE(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, w)$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^K u_k (w_k e_k(\mathbf{f}_k, \mathbf{g}) - \ln w_k) + \lambda (\sum_{k=1}^K \|\mathbf{g}_k\|^2 - P)$$

where  $\lambda =$  Lagrange multiplier and  $P =$  Tx power constraint.

- After optimizing over the aggregate auxiliary Rx filters  $\mathbf{f}$  and weights  $w$ , we get the WSR back:

$$\min_{\mathbf{f}, w} WSMSE(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, w) = -WSR(\mathbf{g}) + \overbrace{\sum_{k=1}^K u_k}^{\text{constant}}$$

- Advantage augmented cost function: **alternating optimization**  
⇒ solving simple quadratic or convex functions

$$\min_{w_k} WSMSE \Rightarrow w_k = 1/e_k$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{f}_k} WSMSE \Rightarrow \mathbf{f}_k = \left( \sum_i \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_i^H \mathbf{H}_k^H + I_{N_k} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{g}_k} WSMSE \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathbf{g}_k = \left( \sum_i u_i w_i \mathbf{H}_i^H \mathbf{f}_i \mathbf{f}_i^H \mathbf{H}_i + \lambda I_M \right)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{f}_k u_k w_k$$

- **UL/DL duality**: optimal Tx filter  $\mathbf{g}_k$  of the form of a MMSE linear Rx for the dual UL in which  $\lambda$  plays the role of Rx noise variance and  $u_k w_k$  plays the role of stream variance.

# Optimal Lagrange Multiplier $\lambda$

- (bisection) **line search** on  $\sum_{k=1}^K \|\mathbf{g}_k\|^2 - P = 0$  [Luo:SP0911].
- Or **updated analytically** as in [Negro:ita10],[Negro:ita11] by exploiting  $\sum_k \mathbf{g}_k^H \frac{\partial WSMSE}{\partial \mathbf{g}_k^*} = 0$ .
- This leads to the same result as in [Hassibi:TWC0906]:  $\lambda$  avoided by **reparameterizing the BF to satisfy the power constraint**:  $\mathbf{g}_k = \sqrt{\frac{P}{\sum_{i=1}^K \|\mathbf{g}'_i\|^2}} \mathbf{g}'_k$  with  $\mathbf{g}'_k$  now unconstrained

$$\text{SINR}_k = \frac{|\mathbf{f}_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}'_k|^2}{\sum_{i=1, \neq k}^K |\mathbf{f}_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}'_i|^2 + \frac{1}{P} \|\mathbf{f}_k\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^K \|\mathbf{g}'_i\|^2} .$$

- This leads to the same Lagrange multiplier expression obtained in [Christensen:TW1208] on the basis of a **heuristic** that was introduced in [Joham:isssta02] as was pointed out in [Negro:ita10].

- The WSR can be rewritten as

$$WSR = WSR(\mathbf{g}) = \sum_{k=1}^K u_k \ln(1 + \text{SINR}_k)$$

where  $1 + \text{SINR}_k = 1/e_k$  or for general  $\mathbf{f}_k$  :

$$\text{SINR}_k = \frac{|\mathbf{f}_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k|^2}{\sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^K |\mathbf{f}_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_i|^2 + \|\mathbf{f}_k\|^2} .$$

- WSR variation

$$\partial WSR = \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{u_k}{1 + \text{SINR}_k} \partial \text{SINR}_k$$

interpretation: variation of a weighted sum SINR (WSSINR)

- The BFs obtained: same as for WSR or WSMSE criteria.  
But this interpretation shows: WSR = optimal approach to the SLNR or SJNR heuristics.  
WSSINR approach = [KimGiannakis:IT0511] below.

- Let  $Q_k = \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_k^H$  be the transmit covariance for stream  $k \Rightarrow$

$$WSR = \sum_{k=1}^K u_k [\ln \det(R_k) - \ln \det(R_{\bar{k}})]$$

w  $R_k = \mathbf{H}_k (\sum_i Q_i) \mathbf{H}_k^H + I_{N_k}$ ,  $R_{\bar{k}} = \mathbf{H}_k (\sum_{i \neq k} Q_i) \mathbf{H}_k^H + I_{N_k}$ .

- Consider the dependence of WSR on  $Q_k$  alone:

$$WSR = u_k \ln \det(R_{\bar{k}}^{-1} R_k) + WSR_{\bar{k}}, \quad WSR_{\bar{k}} = \sum_{i=1, \neq k}^K u_i \ln \det(R_i^{-1} R_i)$$

where  $\ln \det(R_{\bar{k}}^{-1} R_k)$  is concave in  $Q_k$  and  $WSR_{\bar{k}}$  is convex in  $Q_k$ . Since a linear function is simultaneously convex and concave, consider the first order Taylor series expansion in  $Q_k$  around  $\hat{Q}$  (i.e. all  $\hat{Q}_i$ ) with e.g.  $\hat{R}_i = R_i(\hat{Q})$ , then

$$WSR_{\bar{k}}(Q_k, \hat{Q}) \approx WSR_{\bar{k}}(\hat{Q}_k, \hat{Q}) - \text{tr}\{(Q_k - \hat{Q}_k) \hat{A}_k\}$$

$$\hat{A}_k = - \left. \frac{\partial WSR_{\bar{k}}(Q_k, \hat{Q})}{\partial Q_k} \right|_{\hat{Q}_k, \hat{Q}} = \sum_{i=1, \neq k}^K u_i \mathbf{H}_i^H (\hat{R}_i^{-1} - \hat{R}_i^{-1}) \mathbf{H}_i$$

- Note that the linearized (tangent) expression for  $WSR_{\bar{k}}$  constitutes a lower bound for it.
- Now, dropping constant terms, reparameterizing  $Q_k = \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_k^H$  and performing this linearization for all users,

$$WSR(\mathbf{g}, \hat{\mathbf{g}}) = \sum_{k=1}^K u_k \ln(1 + \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \hat{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k) - \mathbf{g}_k^H (\hat{A}_k + \lambda I) \mathbf{g}_k + \lambda P.$$

The gradient of this concave WSR lower bound is actually still the same as that of the original WSR or of the WSMSE criteria! Allows generalized eigenvector interpretation:

$$\mathbf{H}_k^H \hat{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k = \frac{1 + \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \hat{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k}{u_k} (\hat{A}_k + \lambda I) \mathbf{g}_k$$

or hence  $\mathbf{g}'_k = V_{\max}(\mathbf{H}_k^H \hat{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k, \hat{A}_k + \lambda I)$

which is proportional to the "LMMSE"  $\mathbf{g}_k$ ,

with max eigenvalue  $\sigma_k = \sigma_{\max}(\mathbf{H}_k^H \hat{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k, \hat{A}_k + \lambda I)$ .



- Again, [KimGiannakis:IT0511] BF:

$$\mathbf{g}'_k = V_{max}(\mathbf{H}_k^H \hat{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k, \sum_{i=1, \neq k}^K u_i \mathbf{H}_i^H (\hat{R}_i^{-1} - \hat{R}_i^{-1}) \mathbf{H}_i + \lambda I)$$

- This can be viewed as an optimally weighted version of **SLNR (Signal-to-Leakage-plus-Noise-Ratio)** [Sayed:SP0507]

$$SLNR_k = \frac{\|\mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k\|^2}{\sum_{i \neq k} \|\mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{g}_k\|^2 + \sum_i \|\mathbf{g}_i\|^2 / P} \text{ vs}$$

$$SINR_k = \frac{\|\mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k\|^2}{\sum_{i \neq k} \|\mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_i\|^2 + \sum_i \|\mathbf{g}_i\|^2 / P}$$

- SLNR takes as Tx filter

$$\mathbf{g}'_k = V_{max}(\mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k, \sum_{i \neq k} \mathbf{H}_i^H \mathbf{H}_i + I)$$

- Let  $\sigma_k^{(1)} = \mathbf{g}'_k{}^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \widehat{R}_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}'_k$  and  $\sigma_k^{(2)} = \mathbf{g}'_k{}^H \widehat{A}_k \mathbf{g}'_k$ .
- The advantage of this formulation is that it allows straightforward power adaptation: substituting  $\mathbf{g}_k = \sqrt{p_k} \mathbf{g}'_k$  yields

$$WSR = \lambda P + \sum_{k=1}^K \{u_k \ln(1 + p_k \sigma_k^{(1)}) - p_k(\sigma_k^{(2)} + \lambda)\}$$

which leads to the following **interference leakage aware water filling**

$$p_k = \left( \frac{u_k}{\sigma_k^{(2)} + \lambda} - \frac{1}{\sigma_k^{(1)}} \right)^+.$$

- For a given  $\lambda$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$  needs to be iterated till convergence.
- And  $\lambda$  can be found by duality (line search):

$$\min_{\lambda \geq 0} \max_{\mathbf{g}} \lambda P + \sum_k \{u_k \ln \det(R_k^{-1} R_k) - \lambda p_k\} = \min_{\lambda \geq 0} WSR(\lambda).$$

- At **high SNR**, max WSR BF converges to ZF solutions with uniform power

$$\mathbf{g}_k^H = \mathbf{f}_k \mathbf{H}_k P_{(\mathbf{fH})_{\bar{k}}}^\perp / \|\mathbf{f}_k \mathbf{H}_k P_{(\mathbf{fH})_{\bar{k}}}^\perp\|$$

where  $P_{\mathbf{X}}^\perp = I - P_{\mathbf{X}}$  and  $P_{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^H \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^H$  projection matrices

$(\mathbf{fH})_{\bar{k}}$  denotes the (up-down) stacking of  $\mathbf{f}_i \mathbf{H}_i$  for users  $i = 1, \dots, K, i \neq k$ .

- At **low SNR**, matched filter for user with largest  $\|\mathbf{H}_k\|_2$  (max singular value)

# Deterministic Annealing

- At **high SNR: max WSR solutions are ZF**. When ZF is possible (IA feasible), multiple ZF solutions typically exist.  
Homotopy on the MIMO channel SVD:

$$H_{ji} = \sum_{k=1}^d \sigma_{jik} \mathbf{u}_{jik} \mathbf{v}_{jik}^H + t \sum_{k=d+1} \sigma_{jik} \mathbf{u}_{jik} \mathbf{v}_{jik}^H$$

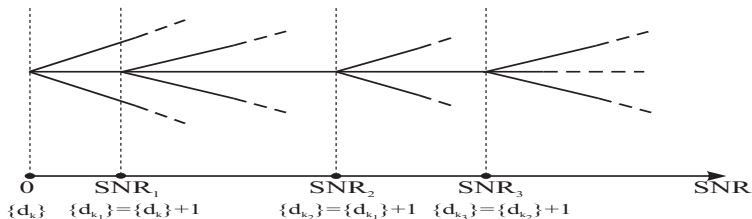
The IA (ZF) condition for rank 1 link  $i - j$  can be written as

$$\sigma_{ji} \mathbf{f}_j^H \mathbf{u}_{ji} \mathbf{v}_{ji}^H \mathbf{g}_i = 0$$

- Two configurations are possible:  $\mathbf{f}_j^H \mathbf{u}_{ji} = 0$  or  $\mathbf{v}_{ji}^H \mathbf{g}_i = 0$   
Either the Tx or the Rx suppresses one particular interfering stream
- These different **ZF solutions** are the **possible local optima for max WSR at infinite SNR**. By homotopy, this remains the number of max WSR local optima as the SNR decreases from infinity. As the SNR decreases further, a stream for some user may get turned off until only a single stream remains at low SNR. Hence, the number of local optima reduces as streams disappear at finite SNR.
- At intermediate SNR, the number of streams may also be larger than the DoF though.

# Deterministic Annealing (2)

- **Homotopy** for finding global optimum: at **low SNR**, noise dominates interference  $\Rightarrow$  optimal: one stream per power constraint, **matched filter Tx/Rx**. Gradually increasing SNR allows lower SNR solution to be in region of attraction of global optimum at next higher SNR. **Phase transitions: add a stream.**
- As a corollary, in the MISO case, the max WSR optimum is unique, since there is only one way to perform ZF BF.



# Difference of Convex Functions vs Majorization

- **Difference of Convex functions**: linearize convex part in terms of Tx covariance matrices  $Q_k$  to make it concave
- afterwards work with BF in  $Q_k = \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_k^H$
- but the linearization in  $Q_k$  does not correspond to second-order Taylor series or any precise development in  $\mathbf{g}_k$
- other interpretation: **majorization**: replace cost function to be maximized by one below it that touches the original one in one point [Stoica:SPmagJan04]
- specifically: matrix version of  $x - 1 - \ln(x) \geq 0, x > 0$  : Itakura-Saito distance in AR modeling ( $x$  = ratio of true spectrum and AR model spectrum)
- majorized cost function can be optimized with any parameterization

- in all cases (e.g. also SINR balancing),  
Rx filter = LMMSE  
Tx filter = LMMSE in dual uplink
- influence of precise utility function is in the design of the **actual & dual stream powers and noise variances**

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- **Mean information** about the channel can come from channel feedback or reciprocity, and prediction, or it may correspond to the non fading (e.g. LoS) part of the channel (note that an unknown phase factor  $e^{j\phi}$  in the overall channel mean does not affect the BF design).
- **Covariance information** may correspond to channel estimation (feedback, prediction) errors and/or to information about spatial correlations. The **separable (or Kronecker) correlation model** (for the channel itself, as opposed to its estimation error or knowledge) below is acceptable when the number of propagation paths  $N_p$  becomes large ( $N_p \gg MN$ ) as possibly in indoor propagation.
- Given only mean and covariance information, the fitting maximum entropy distribution is Gaussian.

# Mean and Covariance Gaussian CSIT (2)

- Hence consider

$$\text{vec}(\mathbf{H}) \sim \mathcal{CN}(\text{vec}(\overline{\mathbf{H}}), C_t^T \otimes C_r) \text{ or } \mathbf{H} = \overline{\mathbf{H}} + C_r^{1/2} \tilde{\mathbf{H}} C_t^{1/2}$$

where  $C_r^{1/2}$ ,  $C_t^{1/2}$  are Hermitian square-roots of the Rx and Tx side covariance matrices

$$\begin{aligned} E (\mathbf{H} - \overline{\mathbf{H}})(\mathbf{H} - \overline{\mathbf{H}})^H &= \text{tr}\{C_t\} C_r \\ E (\mathbf{H} - \overline{\mathbf{H}})^H(\mathbf{H} - \overline{\mathbf{H}}) &= \text{tr}\{C_r\} C_t \end{aligned}$$

and the elements of  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  are i.i.d.  $\sim \mathcal{CN}(0, 1)$ . A scale factor needs to be fixed in the product  $\text{tr}\{C_r\}\text{tr}\{C_t\}$  for unicity.

- In what follows, it will also be of interest to consider the total Tx side correlation matrix

$$R_t = E \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} = \overline{\mathbf{H}}^H \overline{\mathbf{H}} + \text{tr}\{C_r\} C_t .$$

- Gaussian CSIT model could be considered an instance of Ricean fading in which the ratio  $\text{tr}\{\overline{\mathbf{H}}^H \overline{\mathbf{H}}\} / (\text{tr}\{C_r\}\text{tr}\{C_t\}) =$  Ricean factor.

- Assuming the Tx disposes of not much more than the LoS component information, model

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{h}_r \mathbf{h}_t^H(\theta) + \tilde{\mathbf{H}}'$$

where  $\theta$  is the LoS AoD and the Tx side array response is normalized:  $\|\mathbf{h}_t(\theta)\|^2 = 1$ .

- Since the orientation of the MT is random, model the Rx side LoS array response  $\mathbf{h}_r$  as vector of i.i.d. complex Gaussian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{h}_r & \text{ i.i.d. } \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, \frac{\mu}{\mu+1}) \quad \text{and} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{H}}' & \text{ i.i.d. } \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, \frac{1}{\mu+1} \frac{1}{M}) , \text{ independent of } \mathbf{h}_r, \end{aligned}$$

where the matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  represents the aggregate NLoS components.

- Note that

$$\begin{aligned} E \|\mathbf{H}\|_F^2 &= E \operatorname{tr}\{\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H}\} = \\ \|\mathbf{h}_t(\theta)\|^2 E \|\mathbf{h}_r\|^2 + E \|\tilde{\mathbf{H}}'\|_F^2 &= \frac{\mu N}{\mu+1} + \frac{N}{\mu+1} = N, \end{aligned}$$

$(E \|\mathbf{h}_r \mathbf{h}_r^T(\theta)\|_F^2) / (E \|\tilde{\mathbf{H}}'\|_F^2) = \mu =$  a **Rice factor**.

- In fact the only parameter additional to the LoS AoD  $\theta$  is  $\mu$ .
- So, this is a case of **zero mean CSIT** and **Tx side covariance CSIT**

$$R_t = E \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} = \frac{\mu N}{\mu+1} \mathbf{h}_t(\theta) \mathbf{h}_t^H(\theta) + \frac{N}{\mu+1} \frac{1}{M} I_M.$$

- For ZF BF, the BS shall use for user  $k$  a spatial filter  $\mathbf{g}_k = \sqrt{p_k} \mathbf{g}'_k$  such that  $\mathbf{g}'_k = \mathbf{g}''_k / \|\mathbf{g}''_k\|$

$$\mathbf{g}''_k = P_{\mathbf{h}_{t,\bar{k}}}^\perp \mathbf{h}_{t,k}$$

where  $\mathbf{h}_{t,\bar{k}} = [\mathbf{h}_{t,1} \cdots \mathbf{h}_{t,k-1} \mathbf{h}_{t,k+1} \cdots \mathbf{h}_{t,K}]$ .

- And uniform power distribution  $p_k = P/K$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ .
- The  $\mathbf{g}''_k$  can also be computed from

$$\mathbf{g}'' = [\mathbf{g}''_1 \cdots \mathbf{g}''_K] = \mathbf{h}_t (\mathbf{h}_t^H \mathbf{h}_t)^{-1}, \quad \mathbf{h}_t = [\mathbf{h}_{t,1} \cdots \mathbf{h}_{t,K}].$$

- Go beyond the asymptotics of high SNR and high Ricean factor: even if the Tx ignores the multipath and the Rx can handle it, it would be better to have a multipath aware Tx design. Note that the Ricean factor  $\mu$  satisfies uplink/downlink (UL/DL) reciprocity, even in a FDD. Solution: previous partial CSIT design.

# Max Expected WSR (EWSR)

- scenario of interest: perfect CSIR, partial (LoS) CSIT
- Imperfect CSIT  $\Rightarrow$  various possible optimization criteria: outage capacity,.... Here: **expected weighted sum rate**  
 $E_{\mathbf{H}} WSR(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}) =$

$$EWSR(\mathbf{g}) = E_{\mathbf{H}} \sum_k u_k \ln(1 + \mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k^H R_k^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{g}_k)$$

perfect CSIR: optimal Rx filters  $\mathbf{f}_k$  (fn of aggregate  $\mathbf{H}$ ) have been substituted:  $WSR(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}) = \max_{\mathbf{f}} \sum_k u_k (-\ln(e_k(\mathbf{f}_k, \mathbf{g})))$ .

# Max EWSR by Stochastic Approximation

- In [Luo:spawc13] a **stochastic approximation** approach for maximizing the EWSR was introduced: replace statistical average by sample average (samples of  $\mathbf{H}$  get generated according to its Gaussian CSIT distribution in a Monte Carlo fashion), and one iteration of the min WSMSE approach gets executed per term added in the sample average.
- Some issues: in this case the number of iterations may get dictated by a sufficient size for the sample average rather than by a convergence requirement for the iterative approach.
- Another issue is that this approach converges to a local maximum of the EWSR. It is not immediately clear how to combine this stochastic approximation approach with deterministic annealing.
- Below: various **deterministic approximations and bounds** for the EWSR, which **can then be optimized as in the full CSI case**.



- $EWSR(\mathbf{g})$  : difficult to compute and to maximize directly. [Negro:iswcs12] much more attractive to consider  $E_{\mathbf{H}} e_k(\mathbf{f}_k, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H})$  since  $e_k(\mathbf{f}_k, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H})$  is quadratic in  $\mathbf{H}$ . Hence optimizing  $E_{\mathbf{H}} WSMSE(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, w, \mathbf{H})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{f}, w} E_{\mathbf{H}} WSMSE(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, w, \mathbf{H}) \\ & \geq E_{\mathbf{H}} \min_{\mathbf{f}, w} WSMSE(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, w, \mathbf{H}) = -EWSR(\mathbf{g}) \end{aligned}$$

or hence  $EWSR(\mathbf{g}) \geq -\min_{\mathbf{f}, w} E_{\mathbf{H}} WSMSE(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, w, \mathbf{H})$ .

- So now only a **lower bound** to the EWSR gets maximized, which corresponds in fact to the **CSIR being equally partial as the CSIT**.

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\mathbf{H}} e_k &= 1 - 2\Re\{\mathbf{f}_k^H \bar{\mathbf{H}}_k \mathbf{g}_k\} + \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{f}_k^H \bar{\mathbf{H}}_k \mathbf{g}_i \mathbf{g}_i^H \bar{\mathbf{H}}_k^H \mathbf{f}_k \\ &+ \mathbf{f}_k^H R_{r,k} \mathbf{f}_k + \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{g}_i^H R_{t,k} \mathbf{g}_i + \|\mathbf{f}_k\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  signal term disappears if  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}_k = 0$ ! Hence the **EWSMSE lower bound is (very) loose** unless the Rice factor is high, and is **useless in the absence of mean CSIT**.

- Using the concavity of  $\ln(\cdot)$ , we get

$$EWSR(\mathbf{g}) \leq \sum_{k=1}^K u_k \ln(1 + E_{\mathbf{H}_k} \text{SINR}_k(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}_k)) .$$

# Massive MIMO Limit

- We get a convergence for any term of the form

$$\mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{H}^H \xrightarrow{M \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{H}^H = \overline{\mathbf{H}}\mathbf{Q}\overline{\mathbf{H}}^H + \text{tr}\{\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{C}_t\} \mathbf{C}_r.$$

Go one step further in separable channel correlation model:

$\mathbf{C}_{r,k,b_i} = \mathbf{C}_{r,k}, \forall b_i$ . This leads us to introduce

$$\mathbf{H}_k = [\mathbf{H}_{k,1} \cdots \mathbf{H}_{k,C}] = \overline{\mathbf{H}}_k + \mathbf{C}_{r,k}^{1/2} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_k \mathbf{C}_{t,k}^{1/2}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i:b_i=1} Q_i & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sum_{i:b_i=C} Q_i \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^C \sum_{i:b_i=j} I_j Q_i I_j^H$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\bar{k}} = \mathbf{Q} - I_{b_i} Q_i I_{b_i}^H$$

where  $\mathbf{C}_{t,k} = \text{blockdiag}\{\mathbf{C}_{t,k,1}, \dots, \mathbf{C}_{t,k,C}\}$ , and  $I_j$  is an all zero block vector except for an identity matrix in block  $j$ . Then we get for the *WSR* (= *EWSR*),

$$\text{WSR} = \sum_{k=1}^K u_k \ln \det(\check{\mathbf{R}}_k^{-1} \check{\mathbf{R}}_k)$$

where

$$\check{\mathbf{R}}_k = \mathbf{I}_{N_k} + \overline{\mathbf{H}}_k \mathbf{Q} \overline{\mathbf{H}}_k^H + \text{tr}\{\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{C}_{t,k}\} \mathbf{C}_{r,k}$$

$$\check{\mathbf{R}}_{\bar{k}} = \mathbf{I}_{N_k} + \overline{\mathbf{H}}_k \mathbf{Q}_{\bar{k}} \overline{\mathbf{H}}_k^H + \text{tr}\{\mathbf{Q}_{\bar{k}}\mathbf{C}_{t,k}\} \mathbf{C}_{r,k}$$

# Massive MIMO Limit (2)

- This leads to

$$WSR = u_k \ln \det(I + \check{R}_{\bar{k}}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{H}}_{k,b_k} \mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_k^H \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{k,b_k}^H + \text{tr}\{\mathbf{g}_k \mathbf{g}_k^H C_{t,k,b_k}\} C_{r,k})) + WSR_{\bar{k}}.$$

- Consider simplified case: "Ricean factor"  $\mu \sim \text{SNR}$ , for the direct links  $\mathbf{H}_{k,b_k}$  (only) (properly organized (intracell) channel estimation and feedback)  $\Rightarrow$  approximation

$$WSR = u_k \ln \det(I + \mathbf{g}_k^H \check{\mathbf{B}}_k \mathbf{g}_k) + WSR_{\bar{k}} \quad \text{with}$$

$$\check{\mathbf{B}}_k = \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{k,b_k}^H \check{R}_{\bar{k}}^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{k,b_k} + \text{tr}\{C_{r,k} \check{R}_{\bar{k}}^{-1}\} C_{t,k,b_k}$$

The linearization of  $WSR_{\bar{k}}$  w.r.t.  $Q_k$  now involves

$$\check{A}_k = \sum_{i \neq k}^K u_i \left[ \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{i,b_k}^H (\check{R}_{\bar{i}}^{-1} - \check{R}_i^{-1}) \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{i,b_k} + \text{tr}\{(\check{R}_{\bar{i}}^{-1} - \check{R}_i^{-1}) C_{r,i}\} C_{t,i,b_k} \right].$$

The rest of the development is now completely analogous to the case of perfect CSIT.

- SU MIMO asymptotics from [Loubaton:IT0310],[Taricco:IT0808] (in which **both**  $M, N \rightarrow \infty$ , which tends to give more precise approximations when  $M$  is not so large) for a term of the form  $\ln \det(\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{H}^H\mathbf{H} + I)$  correspond to replacing  $\mathbf{H}_k^H\mathbf{H}_k$  in the  $\tilde{R}_k$  and  $\tilde{R}_{\bar{k}}$  with a kind of  $R_{t,k}$  with a different weighting of the  $\overline{\mathbf{H}}_k^H\overline{\mathbf{H}}_k$  and  $C_{t,k}$  portions, of the form  $R'_{t,k} = a_k C_{t,k} + \overline{\mathbf{H}}_k^H \mathbf{B}_k \overline{\mathbf{H}}_k$  for some scalar  $a_k$  and matrix  $\mathbf{B}_k$  that depends on  $C_{r,k}$ .
- For the general case of Gaussian CSIT with separable (Kronecker) covariance, get

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{H}} \ln \det(I + \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{H}^H) \\ &= \max_{z,w} \left\{ \ln \det \begin{bmatrix} I + wC_r & \overline{\mathbf{H}} \\ -\mathbf{Q}\overline{\mathbf{H}}^H & I + z\mathbf{Q}C_t \end{bmatrix} - zw \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$\max_{z,w}$  interpretation is new.

# Large MIMO Asymptotics Refinement (2)

- Simpler case: zero channel means  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}_k = 0$  and no Rx side correlations  $C_r = I$ , and with per user Tx side correlations  $C_t \leftarrow C_k$ , the EWSR w large MIMO asymptotics:

$$EWSR = \sum_{k=1}^K \left\{ u_k \max_{z_k, w_k} \left[ \ln \det(I + z_k G G^H C_k) + N_k \ln(1 + w_k) - z_k w_k \right] - u_k \max_{z_k^-, w_k^-} \left[ \ln \det(I + z_k^- G_k^- G_k^{H^-} C_k) + N_k \ln(1 + w_k^-) - z_k^- w_k^- \right] \right\}$$

where  $G = [\mathbf{g}_1 \cdots \mathbf{g}_K]$  and  $G_k^-$  is the same as  $G$  except for column  $\mathbf{g}_k$ . **Can be maximized by alternating optimization.**

- min WSMSE iteration ( $i + 1$ )

$$A_k^{(i)} = \sum_j u_j w_j^{(i)} \mathbf{H}_i^H \mathbf{f}_i^{(i)} \mathbf{f}_j^{(i)H} \mathbf{H}_j + \lambda^{(i)} I_M$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g}_k^{(i+1)} &= (A_k^{(i)})^{-1} \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{f}_k^{(i)} u_k w_k^{(i)} \\ &= (A_k^{(i)})^{-1} \mathbf{B}_k^{(i)} \mathbf{g}_k^{(i)} u_k w_k^{(i)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_k^{(i)} = \mathbf{H}_k^H R_k^{- (i)} \mathbf{H}_k$$

WSMSE does one power iteration of DC !!

$$\mathbf{g}_k^{(i+1)} = V_{\max} \{ (A_k^{(i)})^{-1} \mathbf{B}_k^{(i)} \}$$

- partial CSIT (or MaMIMO) case: modified WSMSE:

$$\mathbf{g}_k^{(i+1)} = (E_H A_k^{(i)})^{-1} (E_H \mathbf{B}_k^{(i)}) \mathbf{g}_k^{(i)} u_k w_k^{(i)}$$

# MaMIMO: more interesting Large System Regime

- MaMIMO regime considered above:  $M, N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $M/N \rightarrow$  constant,  $K$  finite
- MaMIMO regime of more interest:  $M, K \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $M/K \rightarrow$  constant,  $N$  finite
- considered in [1], for (R-)ZF BF, Gaussian channel vectors with arbitrary covariance matrices and CSIT errors
- optimal BF are considered in [2]



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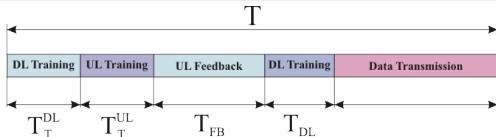
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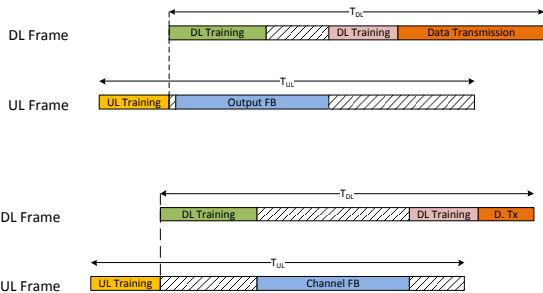
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# Transmission Phases



- We consider a block fading channel model with Coherence time interval  $T$
- The general channel matrix  $\mathbf{H}_{ik} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$
- To acquire the necessary CSI at BS and MU side several training and feedback phases are necessary
- Hence a total overhead of  $T_{ovrhd}$  channel usage is dedicated to BS-MU signaling
- Only part of the time  $T_{data} = T - T_{ovrhd}$  is dedicated to real data transmission

# Output Feedback



- Output FB allows us to reduce the overhead due to CSI exchange
- In channel FB each MU has to wait the end of the DL training phase before being able to FB DL channel estimates
- For easy of exposition we consider  $M_i = N_t \forall i$ ,  $N_i = N_r \forall i$  where  $N_t \geq N_r$

- CSIR is usually neglected
- Some schemes for arbitrary time-varying channels assume that Rx's know all channel matrices at all time: impossible to realize in practice
- An additional DL training phase is required to build the Rx filters

- Usually TDD transmission scheme is used to simplify the DL CSI acquisition at the BS side
- $BS_k$  learns the DL channel  $\mathbf{H}_{ik}$ ,  $\forall i$  through reciprocity
- $MU_i$  do not need to feedback  $\mathbf{H}_{ik}$  to  $BS_k$  but this channel is required at  $BS_{j \neq k}$
- In **Distributed Processing** reciprocity does NOT help in reducing channel feedback overhead  $\implies$  TDD almost equivalent to FDD
- In **Centralized Processing** reciprocity makes channel feedback NOT required

- DoF in multi-user systems accounting for (channel) feedback are extremely sensitive to channel model.
- All this argues for shrinking the Feedback delay as much as possible: in FDD, feedback delay can be shrunk to roundtrip delay! **Immediate Feedback.**

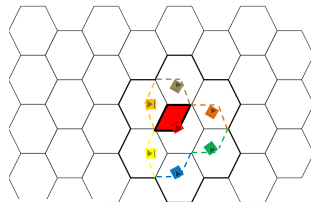
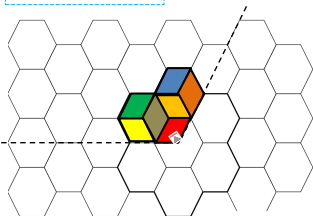
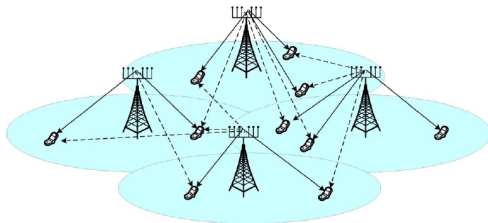
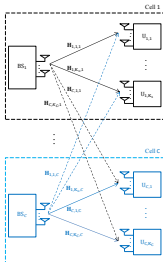
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# Reduced CSIT and Decoupled Tx/Rx Design

- for IA to apply to cellular: overall Tx/Rx design has to decompose so that the CSIT required is no longer global and remains bounded regardless of the network size.
- simplest case : **local** CSIT : a BS only needs to know the channels from itself to all terminals. In the TDD case : reciprocity. The local CSIT case arises when all ZF work needs to be done by the Tx:  $d_{c,k} = N_{c,k}, \forall c, k$ . The most straightforward such case is of course the MISO case:  $d_{c,k} = N_{c,k} = 1$ . It extends to cases of  $N_{c,k} > d_{c,k}$  if less than optimal DoF are accepted. One of these cases is that of reduced rank MIMO channels.
- **reduced** CSIT [Lau:SP0913]: variety of approaches w reduced CSIT FB in exchange for DoF reductions.
- **incomplete** CSIT [deKerretGesbert:TWC13]: min some MIMO IC optimal DoF can be attained with less than global CSIT. Only occurs when  $M$  and/or  $N$  vary substantially so that subnetworks of a subgroup of BS and another subgroup of terminals arise in which the numbers of antennas available are just enough to handle the interference within the subnetwork.
- Massive MIMO leads to exploiting **covariance** CSIT, which will tend to have reduced rank and allows decoupled approaches.

# Massive MIMO: topological aspects



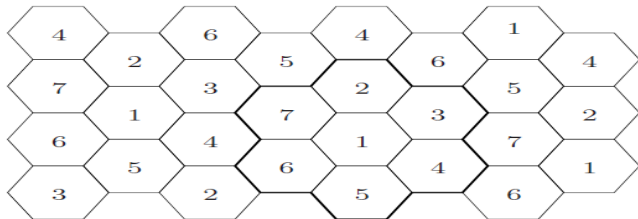


Figure : Hexagonal cellular system with cluster size  $C = 7$ .

We propose here an approach to an infinite IBC network by exploiting topology, enforcing CSI to be local to clusters, and reverse engineering the numbers of antennas required.

Consider partitioning an infinite IBC into finite IBC clusters. Within a finite IBC cluster, CSI acquisition can be performed in a distributed fashion. Then antennas get added to the BS in order to perform ZF of the finite inter-cluster links (due to topology, longer links can be neglected). Traditional cellular system, with interference limited to the first tier (6 cells). Hence we get a cluster size of  $C = 7$ .

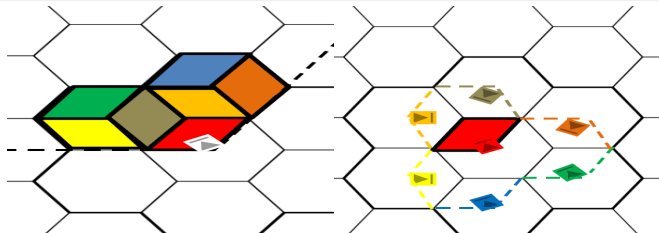
As for GSM frequency reuse, the whole area can be covered by contiguous repetition of the cluster pattern. However, here cell numbering in a cluster has nothing to do with freq. reuse ( $=1$ ).

Apart from these additional constraints for the cluster edge cell  $T_{xs}$ , the  $T_x/R_x$  design within a cluster may seem like that of a standard MIMO IBC. However, **the topology also affects within a cluster** (alternatively, this could be not exploited). Hence if we consider the channel blocks between the 7 cells, we get an overall channel matrix of the form

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 & * \\ * & * & * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ * & 0 & * & * & * & 0 & 0 \\ * & 0 & 0 & * & * & * & 0 \\ * & 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * & * \\ * & * & 0 & 0 & 0 & * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

where the "\*" entries denote non-zero blocks. The  $d_{c,k}$  streams for user  $(c, k)$  get extracted from its Rx signal  $y_{c,k}$  by a  $d_{c,k} \times N_{c,k}$  Rx filter  $F_{c,k}$ . To get the DoF, we need to count the number of streams that can pass through the  $T_x/R_x$  filters in parallel without suffering interference.

# Sectored Cells



**Figure** : Sectored Hexagonal cellular system with 3 sectors and cluster size  $C = 7$ . The left figure indicates the sectors in which MTs receive a certain sector BS, as for data Tx or training. The right figure indicates the BS sectors that Rx FB from MTs in a certain sector.

The **topological** (distance) aspect introduces a certain "banded" character in the overall channel matrix  $\mathbf{H}$ : the number of non-zero blocks in any block row or block column remains finite (of cluster size  $C$ ) regardless of the overall matrix size. **Sectoring** furthermore adds a certain **spatial causality**. Indeed a certain sector BS will only affect a portion  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the MTs in the case of 3 sectors. This leads to a "triangular"  $\mathbf{H}$ . Nevertheless, as only the BS Tx/Rx are sectored, and not the MTs, with interference up to the first tier, again a cluster size of  $C = 7$  (figure)

- The design can be applied to the case of **HetNets** (heterogeneous networks), with multiple small cells per macro cell.
- In the topological case, we can e.g. assume that **the small cell MTs Rx macro interference just like the macro MTs, but the small cell BS only interfere to the (all) MTs within the cell.**
- In case of  $K_m$  macro cell MTs per cell and  $K_s$  small cell MTs, the design for the Tx filters at the macro BS remains unchanged, after replacing  $K = K_m + K_s$ . The small cell BS only needs Tx antennas to ZF to local users within the macro cell.

# Local Receiver Design for Interfering HetNets

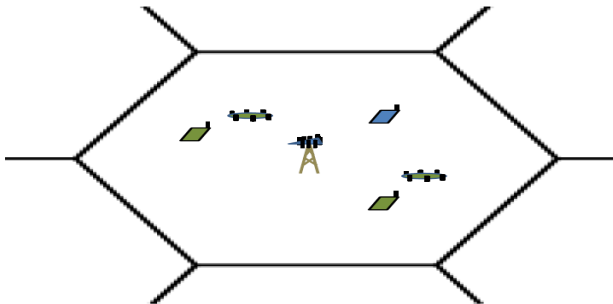


Figure : Zoom on a HetNet macro cell with two small cells in the macro cell and one MT for each of the three BS.

In the HetNet scenario, it may be of interest to **adapt the Rx with interference that is only aligned for a subset of the interferers**. For the remaining interferers, the Rx then appears as fixed and the ZF work has to be done by the corresponding Tx's. As the concept of incomplete CSIT [deKerretGesbert:TWC13] shows, this may be not that suboptimal, depending on the antenna configurations. For the HetNet scenario, consider an IBC design per macro cell (as cluster)

- topological CSIT: only CSIT is knowledge about which Tx is connected to which Rx
- example: 3 single-antenna Tx code over 3 subcarriers.  
cascade precoders - channels :

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11}c_{11} & h_{12}c_{12} & h_{13}c_{13} \\ h_{21}c_{21} & h_{22}c_{22} & h_{23}c_{23} \\ h_{31}c_{31} & h_{32}c_{32} & h_{33}c_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

- for IA, need to align 3 interference columns in 2D subspace  
 $\det(\mathbf{H}) = 0, \forall h_{ij}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  all 6 monomials need to be zero, e.g.  $c_{11}c_{22}c_{33} = 0 \Rightarrow$   
one of them = 0.  $\Rightarrow$  **optimality of orthogonalization**  
(frequency reuse).
- Graph from rows to columns of matrix  $\mathbf{H}$ : **matching number of bipartite graph** should be at most 2. For general  $n$ :  
matching number at most  $n - 1$ .



- Case of multiple Tx antennas (matrix encoder blocks): generalization of matching number: [matroids](#).
- topic initiated by Jafar who exposed a link to [index coding](#).
- **topological CSIT is a very poor CSIT**



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# Distributed Sum Utility Optimization

- weighted sum rate (WSR) inspired interference pricing:

$$\text{WSR} = \sum_k u_k \ln(1 + \text{SINR}_k) = \sum_k u_k \ln\left(1 + \frac{S_k}{I_k + N_k}\right)$$

sensitivity rate user  $k$  to beamformer for user  $i$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{g}_i} \ln(1 + \text{SINR}_k) = \underbrace{-\frac{\text{SINR}_k}{1 + \text{SINR}_k} \frac{1}{I_k + N_k}}_{\text{interference price}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{g}_i} I_k$$

Feed back interference prices instead of CSIT.

$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{g}_i} I_k$  involves  $\mathbf{f}^H \mathbf{H}$ , Rx-channel cascade.

- **UE initiated BS zero-forcing**: UE decides which cross links (paths) need to be zero-forced by the corresponding BS
- **Cognitive Radio approaches for distributed design**: interference temperatures for intercell or intercluster links
- **distributed utility optimization** may call for **new paradigms**

- Distributed here: **distribution over cells** (BS), assuming BS in a cell has all intracell CSIT.
0. **Distributed replication of centralized design.**
  1. **Distributed Tx design with (iterative) fast fading exchange:** take centralized design and exchange (between cells) whatever (fast fading) information is required.
  2. **MaMIMO motivated distributed Tx design with 2 stage fast fading exchange.**
  3. **MaMIMO motivated distributed Tx design with slow fading exchange.**
  4. **2-directional training**

# 0. Distributed replication of centralized design

- Global intracluster CSIT can be gathered but it takes an overhead that evolves with  $C^2$  [Negro:isccsp12].
- Hence such an approach does not scale with the number of cells.
- Other issues: different partial CSIT at every BS  $\Rightarrow$  if let converge to a local optimum, different BS may converge to different local optima!  
Even deterministic annealing may lead to different presumed global optima at different BS!

# 1. Distributed Tx design with (iterative) fast fading exchange

- Some of the centralized designs with alternating optimization are very sensitive to a strict execution of the alternating optimization strategy and do not support asynchronous updating at different BS. Was pointed out in
- [ScutariFacchineiSongPalomarPang:T-SPfeb14], where 2 mechanisms are introduced that can can **guarantee convergence**:
  - (i) introduction of a **stepsize**, controlling the magnitude of the update from the old to the new BF solution, and
  - (ii) the addition of a **proximal term** to the cost function, a quadratic deviation between new and old solution.
- [YangScutariPalomarPesavento:arxiv1410.5076] extension to **stochastic approximation** with guaranteed convergence, in which iterative process is used to average over channel realizations also: converges to the solution of max Expected WSR **without requiring to learn the channel distributions!**

## 2. Tx design with 2 stage fast fading exchange

- In this approach, the fast fading Rx's are designed in a first pure intracell design.  
Hence the role of the Rx is here constrained to handle intracell interference, whereas intercell interference is (actively) handled by Tx only.
- To account for the intercell management in the second stage, the transmit power constraint for the intracell design in the first stage is reduced, based on large system design guidelines.

## 2'. Tx design with 2 stage fast fading exchange

- Variant considered here: high quality (high Ricean factor) intracell CSIT and Tx covariance only intercell CSIT may be a more appropriate setting. For what follows we shall assume the LoS Tx intercell CSIT. We shall focus on a MaMIMO setting.
- The approach considered here is non-iterative, or could be taken as initialization for further iterations.



## 2'. 2-stage Distributed IBC Design: Initialization

- Start with a per cell design.
- To simplify design, assume Rx antennas are used to handle intracell interference. Hence all intercell interference needs to be handled by Tx (BS) antennas.
- In that case, the crosslinks (cascades of channel and Rx) can be considered as independent from the intracell channels.
- In a MaMIMO setting, the ZF by BS  $j$  towards  $K - K_j$  crosslink channels (or LoS components in fact) will tend to have a deterministic effect of reducing the effective number of Tx antennas by this amount and hence of reducing the Tx power by a factor  $\frac{M_j}{M_j - (K - K_j)}$ . Hence a per BS design can be carried out with (partial) intracell CSIT, with BS Tx power  $P_j$  replaced by  $\frac{M_j}{M_j - (K - K_j)} P_j$ , and with all intercell links  $\mathbf{H}_{k,b_i} = 0$ ,  $b_i \neq b_k$ .
- This first step (which is itself an iterative design for the scenario considered with reduced Tx power and no intercell links) leads to BFs  $\mathbf{g}^{(0)}$  which lead to

$$\check{R}_k = (1 + \text{tr}\{Q_{b_k}^{(0)} C_{t,k,b_k}\}) I_{N_k} + \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{k,b_k} Q_{b_k}^{(0)} \bar{\mathbf{H}}_{k,b_k}^H,$$

$$\text{where } Q_{b_k}^{(0)} = \sum_{i:b_i=b_k} \mathbf{g}_i^{(0)} \mathbf{g}_i^{(0)H}$$

and similarly for  $\check{R}_{\bar{k}}$ .

## 2'. 2-stage Distributed IBC Design: Iteration 1

- Do one iteration in order to adjust the Tx filters for the intercell interference.
- With the initial BFs  $\mathbf{g}^{(0)}$ , the local intercell CSIT  $C_{t,i,b_k}$  also, the correct power constraints, and  $\check{R}_k, \check{R}_k^-$  as above, we get  $\check{\mathbf{B}}_k$  as before, and  $\check{A}_k$  becomes

$$\check{A}_k = \sum_{i \neq k: b_i = b_k} u_i \left[ \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{i,b_k}^H \left( \check{R}_i^{-1} - \check{R}_i^{-1} \right) \overline{\mathbf{H}}_{i,b_k} + \text{tr}\left\{ \left( \check{R}_i^{-1} - \check{R}_i^{-1} \right) C_{r,i} \right\} C_{t,i,b_k} \right] + \sum_{i: b_i \neq b_k} \underbrace{u_i \text{tr}\{ \check{R}_i^{-1} - \check{R}_i^{-1} \}}_{= \mu_i} C_{t,i,b_k}.$$

Hence the only information that needs to be fed back from user  $i$  in another cell is the positive scalar  $\mu_i$ . This is related to the interference pricing in game theory [XuWang:JSAC1012].

- The normalized BFs are then computed as  $\mathbf{g}'_k = V_{max}(\check{\mathbf{B}}_k, \check{A}_k + \lambda_{b_k} I)$  where the  $\lambda_{b_k}$  are taken from the previous iteration.
- The stream powers are obtained from the interference-aware WF.

### 3. Tx design with slow fading exchange (?)

- multi Rx antenna extension of [ZhangCui:T-SPoct10], [DahroujYu:T-WCmay10]
- In the large system regime (large number of BS antennas and users, finite UE antennas), **not all finite dimensional quantities converge to a deterministic limit** (e.g. Rxs). But (scalar) quantities of the nature of (co)variance, SINR, MSE, etc. do.
- [ChenYou:arXiv1309.4034] **minimax Lagrangian duality**

$$\max_{Q_k \geq 0} \min_{R_k} \sum_{k=1}^K u_k [\ln \det(R_k + \mathbf{H}_k Q_k \mathbf{H}_k^H) - \ln \det(R_k)]$$
$$\text{tr}\{Q_k\} \leq P_k, R_k \geq \mathbf{H}_k (\sum_{i \neq k} Q_i) \mathbf{H}_k^H + I_{N_k}$$

- **main quantity to be exchanged:**  $R_k$ . But it does **not harden in MaMIMO**.
- **Related work** by Antti Tölli & coworkers [icc14,eusipco14], in [MüllerCouilletBjörnsonWagnerDebbah:submT-SP14] and in [LagenVidal:T-WC15] where in a TDD MaMIMO setting only local fast CSIT would be required.

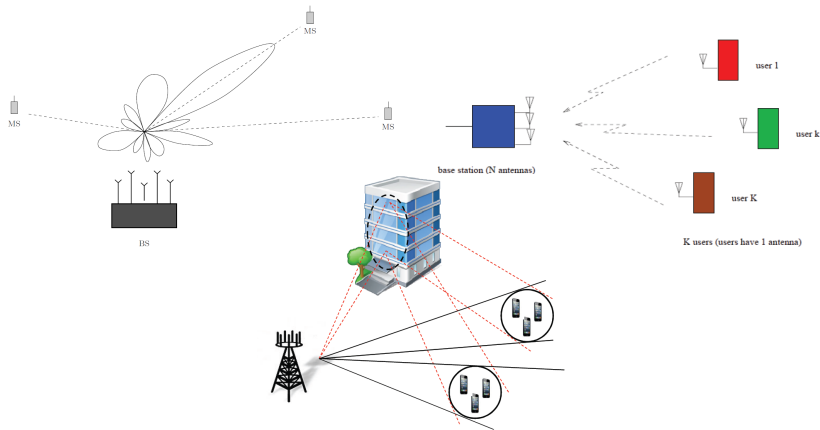
## 4. 2-directional training

- Introduced in [ShiBerryHonig:T-SPfeb14], followed up by [JayasingheTolliKalevaLatva-aho:icc15].
- Exploits channel reciprocity in TDD and the fact that a MIMO IA solution in the DL is immediately also a MIMO IA solution in the UL and vice versa:  
$$\mathbf{F} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{G} = \text{diag} \Rightarrow \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{H}^T \mathbf{F}^T = \text{diag}.$$
- In a MU setting, adaptation cannot be done completely blindly since the user signals need to be distinguished. Hence a streamwise differentiation needs to be introduced which can take many forms, for instance superimposed pilots. In superfast 2-way adaptation, each device manages a **linear MMSE adaptive Rx filter that uses the pilot signal as desired response**. This Rx filter is directly used as Tx filter also at all time instants.
- **reciprocal channels** but **non-reciprocal environment & utilities**: non-reciprocity of Tx powers, Rx noises, utility functions. In this case separate filters need to be adapted for Rx and Tx.

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  - Degrees of Freedom (DoF) and Interference Alignment (IA)
  - multi-cell multi-user: Interfering Broadcast Channel (IBC)
  - Weighted Sum Rate (WSR) maximization and UL/DL duality
  - Deterministic Annealing to find global max WSR
- Max WSR with Partial CSIT
  - CSIT: perfect, partial, LoS
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- CSIT acquisition and distributed designs
  - distributed CSIT acquisition, netDoF
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  - distributed designs
  - Massive MIMO, mmWave : **covariance CSIT**, pathwise CSIT

# Massive MIMO: from spatial to spatiotemporal and back

- spatial: to null a user, need to null all paths of that user
- spatiotemporal:  $\# \text{ antennas} > \# \text{ users}$
- spatial:  $\# \text{ antennas} > \# \text{ paths} \gg \# \text{ users}$
- but: paths are **slowly** fading, user channels are **fast** fading



- Keysight iee comsoc M-MIMO tutorial, mmWave

# Specular Wireless (Massive) MIMO Channel Model

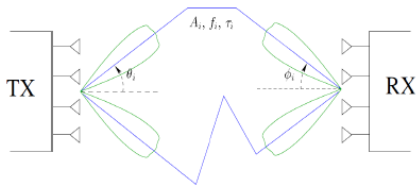


Figure 1 : MIMO transmission with  $M$  transmit and  $N$  receive antennas.

The antenna array responses are just functions of angles AoD, AoA in the case of standard antenna arrays with scatterers in the far field. In the case of distributed antenna systems, the array responses become a function of all position parameters of the path scatterers. The fast variation of the phases  $\psi_j$  (due to Doppler) and possibly the variation of the  $A_j$  correspond to the fast fading. All the other parameters vary on a slower time scale and correspond to slow fading.

MIMO channel transfer matrix at any particular subcarrier of a given OFDM symbol

$$\mathbf{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_p} \mathbf{A}_i e^{j\psi_i} \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_i) \mathbf{h}_t^T(\theta_i) = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^H \quad (1)$$

where there are  $N_p$  (specular) pathwise contributions with

- $\mathbf{A}_i > \mathbf{0}$ : path amplitude
- $\theta_j$ : direction of departure (AoD)
- $\phi_j$ : direction of arrival (AoA)
- $\mathbf{h}_t(\cdot), \mathbf{h}_r(\cdot)$ :  $M/N \times 1$  Tx/Rx antenna array response

and

$$\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \cdots] \begin{bmatrix} e^{j\psi_1} & & \\ & e^{j\psi_2} & \\ & & \cdots \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^H = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 & & \\ & \mathbf{A}_2 & \\ & & \cdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_t^T(\theta_1) \\ \mathbf{h}_t^T(\theta_2) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

# Mean and Covariance Gaussian CSIT

## Dominant Paths Partial CSIT Channel Model

Given only mean and (separable) covariance information, the fitting maximum entropy distribution is Gaussian. Hence consider  $\text{vec}(\mathbf{H}) \sim \mathcal{CN}(\text{vec}(\bar{\mathbf{H}}), \mathbf{C}_r^T \otimes \mathbf{C}_t)$  which can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{H} = \bar{\mathbf{H}} + \mathbf{C}_r^{1/2} \tilde{\mathbf{H}} \mathbf{C}_t^{1/2} \quad (3)$$

where  $\mathbf{C}_r^{1/2}, \mathbf{C}_t^{1/2}$  are Hermitian square-roots of the Rx and Tx side covariance matrices

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{H} - \bar{\mathbf{H}})(\mathbf{H} - \bar{\mathbf{H}})^H &= \text{tr}\{\mathbf{C}_r\} \mathbf{C}_t \\ \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{H} - \bar{\mathbf{H}})^H(\mathbf{H} - \bar{\mathbf{H}}) &= \text{tr}\{\mathbf{C}_r\} \mathbf{C}_t \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

and the elements of  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$  are i.i.d.  $\sim \mathcal{CN}(0, 1)$ . In what follows, it will also be of interest to consider the total Tx side correlation matrix

$$\mathbf{R}_t = \mathbf{E} \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} = \bar{\mathbf{H}}^H \bar{\mathbf{H}} + \text{tr}\{\mathbf{C}_r\} \mathbf{C}_t. \quad (5)$$

Note that the Gaussian CSIT model could be considered an instance of Ricean fading in which the ratio  $\text{tr}\{\bar{\mathbf{H}}^H \bar{\mathbf{H}}\} / (\text{tr}\{\mathbf{C}_r\} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{C}_t\})$  could be considered the Ricean factor.

This Taylor series modeling of clusters is in contrast to the uniform DoA profile used in [Caire:mmWave], [Gesbert:arxiv1013].

Assuming the Tx disposes of not much more than the information about  $r$  dominant path AoDs, we shall consider the following MIMO (Ricean) channel model

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^H(\theta) + \sqrt{\beta} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}' \quad (6)$$

which follows from (1), (2) except restricted to the  $r$  strongest paths, with the rest modeled by  $\sqrt{\beta} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}'$  (elements i.i.d.  $\sim \mathcal{CN}(0, \beta)$ , independent of the  $\psi_j$ ). Averaging over path phases  $\psi_j \Rightarrow$  Tx side covariance matrix

$$\mathbf{C}_t = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^H + N \beta \mathbf{I}_M \quad (7)$$

since due to the normalization of the antenna array responses,  $\mathbf{E} \mathbf{B}^H \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{I}$ . Note that  $\mu = \text{tr}\{\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^H\} / \beta N M$  could be considered a Ricean factor. When needed, we may also consider the  $\mathbf{h}_r$ , the columns of  $\mathbf{B}$ , to be isotropically distributed. Note that the rank of  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^H$  can be substantially less than the number of paths. Consider e.g. a cluster of paths with narrow AoD spread, then we have  $\theta_j = \theta + \Delta\theta_j$  where  $\theta$  is the nominal AoD and  $\Delta\theta_j$  is small  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{h}_t(\theta_j) \approx \mathbf{h}_t(\theta) + \Delta\theta_j \dot{\mathbf{h}}_t(\theta)$ : rank 2 contribution to  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^H$ .



# Specular Wireless MIMO Channel Model

We get for the matrix impulse response of a time-varying MIMO channel  $\mathbf{H}(t, \tau)$

$$\mathbf{H}(t, \tau) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_p} A_i(t) e^{j2\pi f_i t} \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_i) \mathbf{h}_t^T(\theta_i) p(\tau - \tau_i) .$$

The channel impulse response  $\mathbf{H}$  has per path a rank 1 contribution in 4 dimensions (Tx and Rx spatial multi-antenna dimensions, delay spread and Doppler spread); there are  $N_p$  (specular) pathwise contributions where

- $A_i$ : complex attenuation
- $f_i$ : Doppler shift
- $\theta_i$ : direction of departure (AoD)
- $\phi_i$ : direction of arrival (AoA)
- $\tau_i$ : path delay (ToA)
- $\mathbf{h}_t(\cdot), \mathbf{h}_r(\cdot)$ :  $M/N \times 1$  Tx/Rx antenna array response
- $p(\cdot)$ : pulse shape (Tx filter)

# Specular Wireless MIMO Channel Model (2)

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- OFDM transmission

$$\mathbf{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_p} e^{j\psi_i} \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_i) \mathbf{h}_t^T(\theta_i) A_i = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^H$$

(not the same  $A_i \geq 0$ , path amplitude)

- The ZF from BS  $j$  to MT  $(i, k)$  requires

$$F_{i,k}^H \mathbf{H}_{i,k,j} G_{j,n} = F_{i,k}^H \mathbf{B}_{i,k,j} A_{i,k,j}^H G_{j,n} = 0$$

which involves  $\min(d_{i,k} d_{j,n}, d_{i,k} r_{i,k,j}, r_{i,k} d_{j,n})$  constraints to be satisfied by the  $(N_{i,k} - d_{i,k}) d_{i,k} / (M_j - d_{j,n}) d_{j,n}$  variables parameterizing the column subspaces of  $F_{i,k} / G_{j,n}$ .

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This leads to a possibly increased number of ZF constraints  $r_{i,k,j} \min(d_{i,k}, d_{j,n})$  and hence to possibly reduced IA feasibility. ZF of every cross link now needs to be partitioned between all Tx's and Rx's, taking into account the limited number of variables each Tx or Rx has. The main goal of this approach however is that it leads to **Tx/Rx decoupling and local CSI**.

Averaging over the (uniform) path phases  $\psi_i$  leads to

$$\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_p} A_i^2 \mathbf{h}_i \mathbf{h}_i^H = \sum_{i=1}^{N_p} A_i^2 (\mathbf{h}_r(\phi_i) \mathbf{h}_r^H(\phi_i)) \otimes (\mathbf{h}_t(\theta_i) \mathbf{h}_t^H(\theta_i))$$

where  $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}} = \mathbb{E} \mathbf{h} \mathbf{h}^H$ ,  $\mathbf{h} = \text{vec}(\mathbf{H})$  and  $\mathbf{h}_i = \mathbf{h}_t(\theta_i) \otimes \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_i)$ . Note that the rank of  $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}}$  can be substantially less than the number of paths. Consider e.g. a cluster of paths with narrow AoD spread, then we have

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Such a cluster of paths only adds a rank 2 contribution to  $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}}$ . Not of Kronecker form.

# Tx side Covariance CSIT

Tx side covariance matrix  $C^t$ , which only explores the channel correlations as they can be seen from the BS side

$$C^t = E \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H}$$

We can factor the channel response as

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{B} A^H, \quad \mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \cdots] \begin{bmatrix} e^{j\psi_1} & & & \\ & e^{j\psi_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix},$$
$$A^H = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & & & \\ & A_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_t^T(\theta_1) \\ \mathbf{h}_t^T(\theta_2) \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

Averaging of the path phases  $\psi_i$ , we get for the Tx side covariance matrix

$$C^t = A A^H$$

since due to the normalization of the antenna array responses,  
 $E \mathbf{B}^H \mathbf{B} = \text{diag}\{[\mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \cdots]^H [\mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \mathbf{h}_r(\phi_1) \cdots]\} = I$ .

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# Massive MIMO & Covariance CSIT

In massive MIMO, the Tx side channel covariance matrix is very likely to be (very) singular even though the channel response  $\mathbf{H}$  may not be singular:

$$\text{rank}(C_{i,k,j}^t = A_{i,k,j}A_{i,k,j}^H) = r_{i,k,j}, \quad A_{i,k,j} : M_j \times r_{i,k,j}$$

Let  $P_{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^H\mathbf{X})^\# \mathbf{X}^H$  and  $P_{\mathbf{X}}^\perp$  be the projection matrices on the column space of  $\mathbf{X}$  and its orthogonal complement resp. Consider now a massive MIMO IBC with  $C$  cells containing  $K_i$  users each to be served by a single stream. The following result states when this will be possible.

## Theorem

**Sufficiency of Covariance CSIT for Massive MIMO IBC** *In the MIMO IBC with (local) covariance CSIT, all BS will be able to perform ZF BF if the following holds*

$$\|P_{A_{i,\bar{k},j}}^\perp A_{i,k,j}\| > 0, \quad \forall i, k, j$$

where  $A_{i,\bar{k},j} = \{A_{n,m,j}, (n, m) \neq (i, k)\}$ .

# Massive MIMO & Covariance CSIT (2)

These conditions will be satisfied w.p. 1 if

$\sum_{i=1}^C \sum_{k=1}^{K_i} r_{i,k,j} \leq M_j, j = 1, \dots, C$ . In that case all the column spaces of the  $A_{i,k,j}$  will tend to be non-overlapping. However, the conditions could very well be satisfied even if these column spaces are overlapping, in contrast to what [Gesbert:arxiv1013],[Caire:arxiv0912] appear to require. In Theorem 1, we assume that all ZF work is done by the BS. However, if the MT have multiple antennas, they can help to a certain extent.

## Theorem

**Role of Receive Antennas in Massive MIMO IBC** *If MT  $(i, k)$  disposes of  $N_{i,k}$  antennas to receive a stream, it can perform rank reduction of a total amount of  $N_{i,k} - 1$  to be distributed over  $\{r_{i,k,j}, j = 1, \dots, C\}$ .*

Such rank reduction (by ZF of certain path contributions) facilitates the satisfaction of the conditions in Theorem 1.



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# FIR IA for Asynchronous FIR Frequency-Selective IBC

FIR frequency-selective channels : OFDM : assumes that the same OFDM is used by **synchronized BS**. In HetNets, this may not be the case. Then FIR Tx/Rx filters may be considered. We get in the z-domain:

$$F_{i,k}(z)\mathbf{H}_{i,k,j}(z)G_{j,n}(z) = 0, (i, k) \neq (j, n),$$

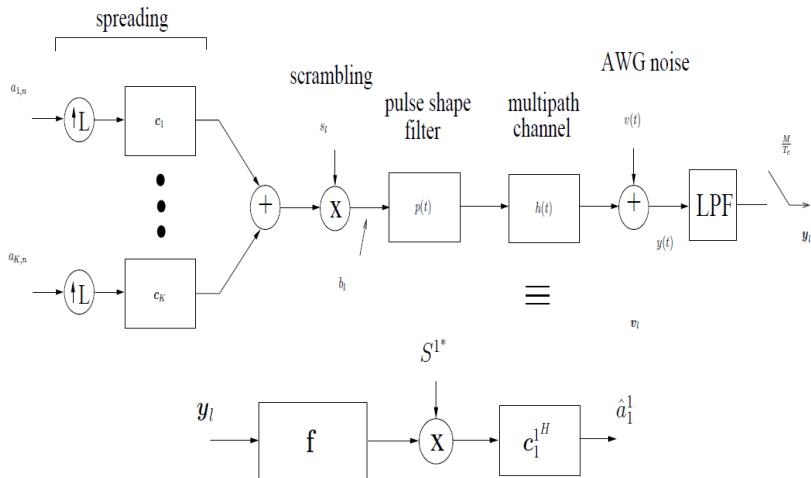
If we denote by  $L_F$ ,  $L_H$ ,  $L_G$  the length of the 3 types of filters, then in a symmetric configuration, the **proper conditions** become

$$\begin{aligned} KC [d(ML_G - d) + d(NL_F - d)] &\geq \\ &KC(KC - 1)d^2(L_H + L_G + L_F - 2) \\ \Rightarrow d &\leq \frac{ML_G + NL_F}{(KC - 1)(L_H + L_G + L_F - 2) + 2} \leq \frac{\max\{M, N\}}{KC - 1} \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality can be attained by letting  $L_G$  or  $L_F$  tend to infinity. Unless  $M \gg N$ , this represents reduced DoF compared to the frequency-flat case ( $d \leq (M + N)/(KC + 1)$ ).

Alternatively, the **double convolution by both Tx and Rx filters can be avoided by considering most of the decoupled approaches above**, leading to more traditional equalization configurations, with **equal DoF possibilities for frequency-selective as for frequency-flat cases**.

# Reminder: UMTS DL Chip Equalization



- chip equalizer Rx structure: filter + descrambler + correlator filter = channel Matched Filter (MF): RAKE receiver  
filter = channel equalizer: chip equalizer

# Reminder: UMTS DL Chip Equalization (2)

## LMMSE chip equalizer vs true LMMSE receiver

- SINR maximized by MMSE receiver (within class of linear RXs)
- True MMSE Rx:

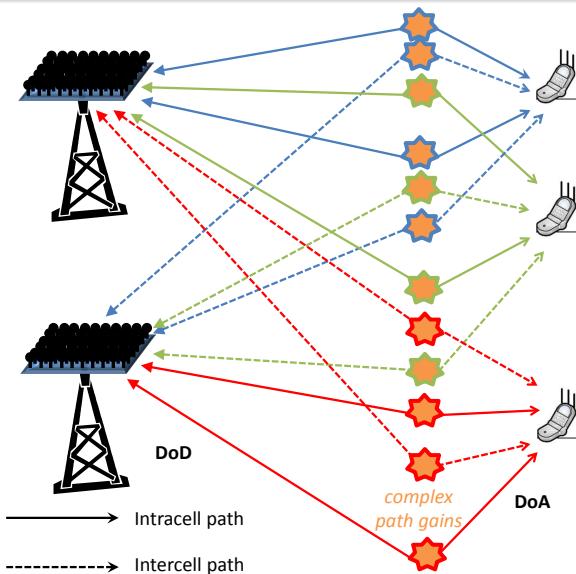
$$\hat{a} = F Y = R_{aY} R_{YY}^{-1} Y = (E_{A,V} a Y^H) (E_{A,V} Y Y^H)^{-1} Y$$

$F$  time-varying since scrambler considered deterministic here (known)

- Approximate MMSE Rx:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a} &= (E_{A,V} a Y^H) (E_{A,V,S} Y Y^H)^{-1} Y \\ &= \sigma_a^2 \underbrace{c^H}_{\text{correlator}} \underbrace{S^H}_{\text{descrambler}} \underbrace{T(h)^H}_{\text{MF}} \underbrace{(E_{A,V,S} Y Y^H)^{-1}}_{\text{(block) Toeplitz}} Y \\ &\quad \underbrace{\hspace{15em}}_{\text{LTI chip rate MMSE equalizer}} \end{aligned}$$

# Pathwise Multi-User Multi-Cell



scrambler  $\rightarrow$  path gains, DoAs ; DL  $\rightarrow$  dual UL LMMSE

- DL Rx signal at user  $k$  in cell  $b_k$

$$y_k = \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} \mathbf{g}_k x_k}_{\text{signal}} + \underbrace{\sum_{\substack{i \neq k \\ b_i = b_k}} \mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} \mathbf{g}_i x_i}_{\text{intracell interf.}} + \underbrace{\sum_{j \neq b_k} \sum_{i: b_i = j} \mathbf{H}_{k,j} \mathbf{g}_i x_i}_{\text{intercell interf.}} + v_k$$

at output of Rx:

$$\hat{x}_k = \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} \mathbf{g}_k x_k + \sum_{i=1, \neq k}^K \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{k,b_i} \mathbf{g}_i x_i + \mathbf{f}_k^H v_k$$

- Dual UL at BS  $k$

$$\sigma_{\tilde{x}_i}^2 = u_i w_i, R_{\tilde{v}_k \tilde{v}_k} = \lambda_k I_{M_k}$$

$$\tilde{y}_k = \underbrace{\sum_{i: b_i = k} \mathbf{H}_{i,k}^H \mathbf{f}_i \tilde{x}_i}_{\text{intracell users}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i: b_i \neq k} \mathbf{H}_{i,k}^H \mathbf{f}_i \tilde{x}_i}_{\text{intercell users}} + \tilde{v}_k$$

where the fictitious dual UL Tx signals  $\tilde{x}_i$  are uncorrelated zero mean with variance  $\sigma_{\tilde{x}_i}^2 = u_i w_i$  and the fictitious dual UL Rx noise has covariance matrix  $R_{\tilde{v}_k \tilde{v}_k} = \lambda_k I_{M_k}$ .

- The dual UL Rx signal at BS  $k$  can be rewritten as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k = \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_k^H F_k \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_k}_{\text{intracell users}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_k^H F_{\bar{k}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{k}}}_{\text{intercell users}} + \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_k$$

$$\mathbf{H}_k^H = [\mathbf{H}_{k,m_k+1}^H \cdots \mathbf{H}_{k,m_k+K_k}^H],$$

$$\mathbf{H}_{\bar{k}}^H = [\mathbf{H}_1^H \cdots \mathbf{H}_{k-1}^H \mathbf{H}_{k+1}^H \cdots \mathbf{H}_C^H],$$

$$F_k = \text{blockdiag}\{\mathbf{f}_{m_k+1}, \dots, \mathbf{f}_{m_k+K_k}\},$$

$$F_{\bar{k}} = \text{blockdiag}\{F_1, \dots, F_{k-1} F_{k+1}, \dots, F_C\}$$

$m_k = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} K_i$  and corresponding block structure for the super vectors  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_k, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{k}}$ .

- This leads to the DL BF as an UL LMMSE Rx: (for all intracell users jointly)

$$\tilde{\mathbf{g}}_k^H = R_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k} R_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k}^{-1} = (\mathbf{E}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k) (\mathbf{E}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}}} \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k)^{-1}$$

which can be seen to correspond to

$$\mathbf{g}_k^H = u_k w_k \mathbf{f}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{k,b_k} \left( \sum_i u_i w_i \mathbf{H}_{i,b_k}^H \mathbf{f}_i \mathbf{f}_i^H \mathbf{H}_{i,b_k} + \lambda_{b_k} I_M \right)^{-1}$$

- **motivation pathwise dual UL LMMSE**: to what extent to cancel (intercell) interfering paths?
- Substituting the channel response matrices in terms of their pathwise factored form

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k = \sum_{i:b_i=k} A_{i,k} \underbrace{\mathbf{B}_{i,k}^H \mathbf{f}_i \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i}_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_{i,k} \text{ intracell paths}} + \sum_{i:b_i \neq k} A_{i,k} \underbrace{\mathbf{B}_{i,k}^H \mathbf{f}_i \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i}_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_{i,k} \text{ intercell paths}} + \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_k$$

$\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_{i,k}$  = (vectors of) fictitious pathwise UL Tx signals from user  $i$  to BS  $k$ .

- The **factors  $\mathbf{B}_{i,k}$  are now treated as unknown**, modeled as independent with zero mean i.i.d. elements of variance  $\frac{1}{N_i}$ . As a result we get for the correlation matrices  $R_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_{i,k}} = \frac{\|\mathbf{f}_i\|^2}{N_i} \sigma_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i}^2 \mathbf{I}$ .
- Similarly to the userwise, the pathwise dual UL Rx signal at BS  $k$  above can be rewritten as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k = A_k \underbrace{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k}_{\text{intracell paths}} + A_{\bar{k}} \underbrace{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_{\bar{k}}}_{\text{intercell paths}} + \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_k$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k = \mathbf{B}_k^H \mathbf{F}_k \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_k$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_{\bar{k}} = \mathbf{B}_{\bar{k}}^H \mathbf{F}_{\bar{k}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{k}}$  and  $A_k, \mathbf{B}_k$  and  $A_{\bar{k}}, \mathbf{B}_{\bar{k}}$  have similar block structure as  $\mathbf{H}_k$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{\bar{k}}$  resp. except for different block sizes.



- Hence we get the pathwise DL BF as an UL LMMSE Rx (for all intracell paths jointly)

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{G}_k^H &= R_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k} R_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k}^{-1} = (\mathbf{E}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}}, \mathbf{B}} \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k) (\mathbf{E}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}, \tilde{\mathbf{v}}, \mathbf{B}} \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k)^{-1} \\ &= R_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k} A_k^H (A_k R_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k} A_k^H + A_k^- R_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k^- \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k^-} A_k^{H-} + \lambda_k I)^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

where  $R_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k}$ ,  $R_{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k^- \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_k^-}$  are diagonal.

## 2-stage BF: Pathwise + Userwise Intracell

- $$\begin{aligned}\tilde{G}_k^H &= R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k}^H A_k^H (A_k^H R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k} A_k + A_k^- R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k}^- A_k^H + \lambda_k I)^{-1} \\ &= \underbrace{(A_k^H R^{-1} A_k + I)^{-1}}_{\text{stage 2}} \underbrace{A_k^H R^{-1}}_{\text{stage 1}}, \quad R = A_k^- R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k}^- A_k^H + \lambda_k I\end{aligned}$$

- stage 1: intercell path suppression

$$A_k^H R^{-1} = A_k^H (A_k^- R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k}^- A_k^H + \lambda_k I)^{-1}$$

allows pilot transmission without intercell path interference, but with intracell interference

- stage 1': intracell and intercell (other user) path suppression

$$A_k^H R^{-1} \rightarrow A_{i,k}^H (A_{i,k}^- R_{\tilde{s}_{i,k} \tilde{s}_{i,k}}^- A_{i,k}^H + A_k^- R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k}^- A_k^H + \lambda_k I)^{-1}$$

allows pilot transmission on one user's paths without any interference from paths of any other user

⇒ training length = max # paths of a user

- stage 1' BFs minimize dual weighted sum MSE at path outputs

$$\tilde{u}_i \tilde{w}_i \tilde{f}_i \tilde{f}_i^H = (R_{\tilde{s}\tilde{s}})_{i,i}, \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_i \Rightarrow \tilde{f}_i, \tilde{w}_i = 1/\tilde{e}_i = 1/(1 - \tilde{f}_i A_i \tilde{\mathbf{g}}_i)$$

It is not clear if this weighting is optimal for channel estimation also (but it goes in the right direction).

- stage 2: from paths to user signals (intracell)

$$R_{\tilde{x}_k \tilde{y}_k} = \underbrace{R_{\tilde{x}_k \tilde{s}_k} R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k}^{-1}}_{\text{LMMSE: paths} \rightarrow \text{users}} R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{y}_k}$$

$$R_{\tilde{x}_k \tilde{s}_k} = R_{\tilde{x}_k \tilde{x}_k} F_k^H \mathbf{B}_k$$

# Relation Pathwise - Cognitive Radio Design

- The pathwise intercell design can be interpreted as a cell-wise intracell design with intercell interference constraints of the form (for cell  $i$ )

$$\sum_{k:b_k=i} u_k \ln \frac{1}{e_k} + \sum_{k:b_k=i} \sum_{n:b_n \neq i} \mu_{k,n} (|\mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{k,b_n}^H \mathbf{f}_n|^2 - Q_{k,n})$$

where the  $\mu_{k,n} = \sigma_{\tilde{x}_n}^2$  are Lagrange multipliers and the  $Q_{k,n}$  are linkwise interference power constraints.

- The pathwise approach is obtained by replacing the second term by its expected value w.r.t. the  $\mathbf{B}$  factors, leading for the quadratic terms to

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{B}} \sum_{k:b_k=i} \sum_{n:b_n \neq i} \mu_{k,n} |\mathbf{g}_k^H \mathbf{H}_{k,b_n}^H \mathbf{f}_n|^2 = \sum_{k:b_k=i} \mathbf{g}_k^H A_k R_{\tilde{s}_k \tilde{s}_k} A_k^H \mathbf{g}_k.$$

- The **pathwise philosophy** corresponds to **no intercell exchange of fast fading information**. Hence the intercell exchange involves long-term averages for  $\sigma_{\tilde{x}_n}^2 = u_n/e_n$  and for the noise variance (which includes residual intercell interference).

- multi-user multi-cell **interference management**: theoretical possibilities, but (global) **CSIT** required
  - **FB delay**  $\Rightarrow$  **channel prediction** and **channel Doppler models** crucial
  - **analog** channel FB?
  - **FDD**: **immediate** channel FB
  - **distributed** : yes but watch for fast fading
  - **full duplex radio**: reciprocity since single frequency, immediate use of channel estimates (no FDD FB or TDD ping-pong delay)
- **Massive MIMO** simplifications:  
separating fast and slow fading channel components  
decoupling of cells?
- **mmWave** (beamforming, bandwidth), **spectrum aggregation**
- **new waveforms**: windowed OFDM ?
- beyond classical cellular:
  - **HetNets** (macro/small):
  - wireless/self **backhauling**
  - D2D, cloud, IoT (low rate), COM for control (low latency),

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