

MIMO Systems

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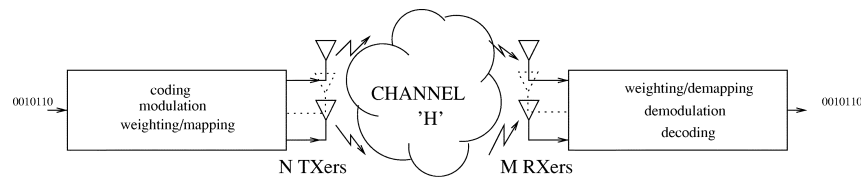
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Principles of MIMO systems



- Multiple antennas at receiver AND emitter
- TIME dimension is complemented with SPATIAL dimension
- Objectives:
 - Improve BER performances (diversity)
 - Increase data rate (multiplexing gain)

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Recall : conventionnal smart antennas

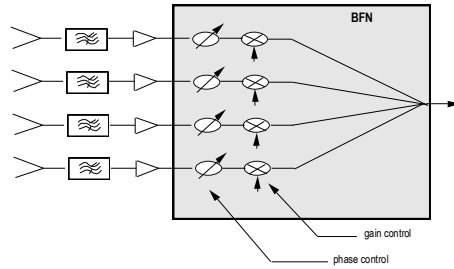
- **Spatial diversity** (essentially receiver side)
 - Diversity order : number of decorrelated spatial branches available at the receiver
- **Beamforming** is essentially at the emitter side
 - ⇒ SNR and C/I improvment

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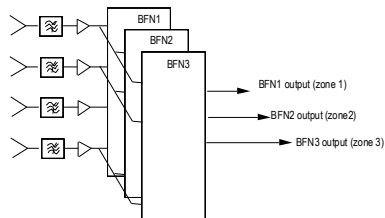
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Beamforming Networks (1)

ANALOG IMPLEMENTATION



BFN principle



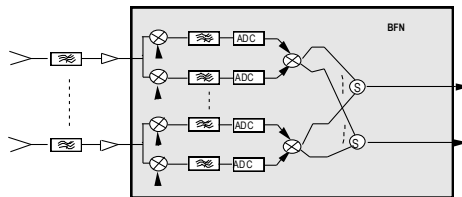
Example with 3 BFN's

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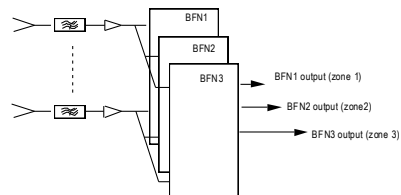
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Beamforming Networks (2)

DIGITAL IMPLEMENTATION



BFN principle

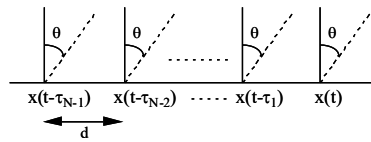


Example with 3 BFN's

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Beamforming Networks (3)



$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t-\tau) &= \text{Re}\{x_e(t-\tau_i)e^{j\omega_0 t}e^{j\Delta\Phi_i}\} \\
 &\cong \text{Re}\{x_e(t)e^{j\omega_0 t}e^{j\Delta\Phi_i}\} \text{ if } B \ll f_0 \\
 \tau_i(\theta) &= i \frac{d}{c} \sin \theta, \Delta\Phi_i(\theta) = -2\pi \frac{d}{\lambda} i \sin \theta
 \end{aligned}$$

After down-conversion and I-Q mixing, we have N complex signals :

BFN output :

$$y(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} w_i y_i(t)$$

BFN performs SPATIAL FILTERING of the input signal.

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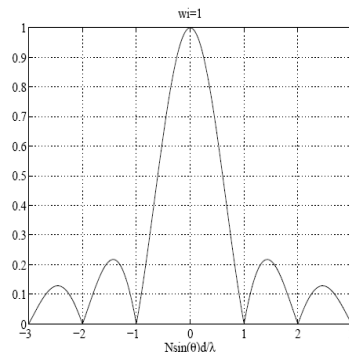
Beamforming Networks (4)

• Example 1:

$w_i=1$

$y(t)=x_e(t) \cdot F(\theta)$ with

$$|F(\theta)| = \left| \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda} Nd \sin \theta\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda} d \sin \theta\right)} \right|$$

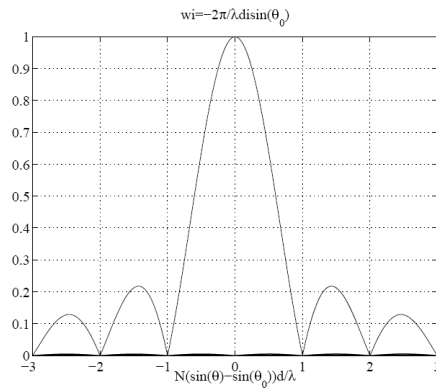


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• Example 2:

$$w_i = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d i \sin \theta_0\right) \quad |F(\theta)| = \left| \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda} N d [\sin \theta - \sin \theta_0]\right)}{\left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda} d [\sin \theta - \sin \theta_0]\right)} \right|$$



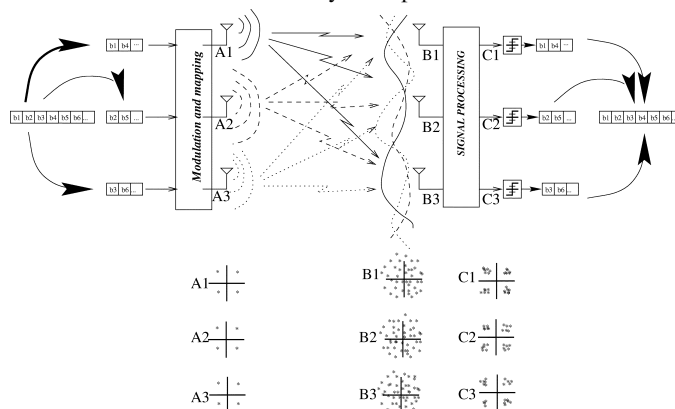
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- Data are transmitted over a **matrix** rather than a vector (for linear beamformer)

Ex : VBLAST (1999) Spatial Multiplexing

VBLAST : Vertical Bell Labs Layered Space-Time Architecture



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VBlast :

- Spectral efficiency is increased by a factor 3
- Linear system of 3 equations
- Channel matrix estimation is performed via pilot symbols
- Separation is assumed only if the channels are sufficiently independant (analogy with signatures in CDMA)
- Flat fading is assumed (if not, MIMO-MC-CDMA is a possible solution)

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- MIMO exploits multipaths
- N TX antennas, M RX antennas
- Conventional smart antenna (beamforming) are better suited to LOS or close to LOS conditions.
- Conventional smart antenna (diversity) are less efficient than MIMO systems

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- SISO systems

$$C = \log_2 \left(1 + \rho |h|^2 \right) \text{ b.s}^{-1} . \text{Hz}^{-1}$$

h: normalized gain of the channel
 ρ : SNR at any RX antenna

- SIMO systems

$$C = \log_2 \left(1 + \rho \sum_{i=1}^M |h_i|^2 \right) \text{ b.s}^{-1} . \text{Hz}^{-1}$$

C increases logarithmically with M

Array gain

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- MISO (channel unknown at emitter)

$$C = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{\rho}{N} \sum_{i=1}^M |h_i|^2 \right) \text{ b.s}^{-1} . \text{Hz}^{-1}$$

(fixed total transmitted power from N transmitters)

No array gain

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- MIMO channel : N TX antennas, M RX antennas

$$C_{EP} = \log_2 \left(\det \left[I_M + \frac{\rho}{N} HH^* \right] \right) \text{b.s}^{-1} . Hz^{-1}$$

H : MxN channel matrix

EP : equal power uncorrelated sources

C grows **LINEARLY** with $m=\min(M,N)$ when the eigenvalues do not decay rapidly which is the case in practice (antennas not too closed)

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C_{EP} is a RANDOM variable

➤ Ergodic capacity : $E(C_{EP})$

➤ Outage capacity (usually evaluated by simulation)

Ex: $C_{0.1}$: capacity value supported 90% of the time

$C_{0.01}$: capacity value supported 99% of the time

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General formula :

$$r = Hs + n$$

$$C = \log_2 \left(\det [I_M + HQH^*] \right) \text{b.s}^{-1} . \text{Hz}^{-1}$$

$$Q = \text{cov}(s) \text{ with } \text{trace}(Q) \leq \rho$$

For equal power uncorrelated sources : $Q = (\rho/N)I_N \Rightarrow C = C_{EP}$

Questions:

- What is the impact of Q on the capacity ?
- What is the impact of the channel on the capacity ?

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- Impact of Q on the capacity

Two cases :

- Channel unknown at the receiver
- Channel known at the receiver

Case 1 : channel unknown at the receiver

$Q = (\rho/N)I_N$ is shown to be optimal (equal power between antennas)

Case 2 : channel known at the receiver

\Rightarrow **Waterfilling** solutions

Q is optimized subject to $\text{trace}(Q) \leq \rho$

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- Impact of channel H on capacity

$$a) C_{EP} = \sum_{i=1}^m \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{\rho}{N} \lambda_i \right)$$

b) SVD of H : $H = UDV^*$ with U, V : unitary matrix, D : diagonal matrix ($m = \min(M, N)$)

$$D = \text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \sqrt{\lambda_2}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_m}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$r = Hs + n \Rightarrow \tilde{r} = D\tilde{s} + \tilde{n} \quad (\tilde{r} = U^* r, \tilde{s} = V^* s, \tilde{n} = V^* n)$$

MIMO channel \Leftrightarrow m parallel SISO channels with signal power λ_i

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- Two types of transmission schemes:
 - Diversity maximization
 - Data rate maximization

Diversity maximization : ST-TC (space time trellis codes)

ST-BC (space time block codes)

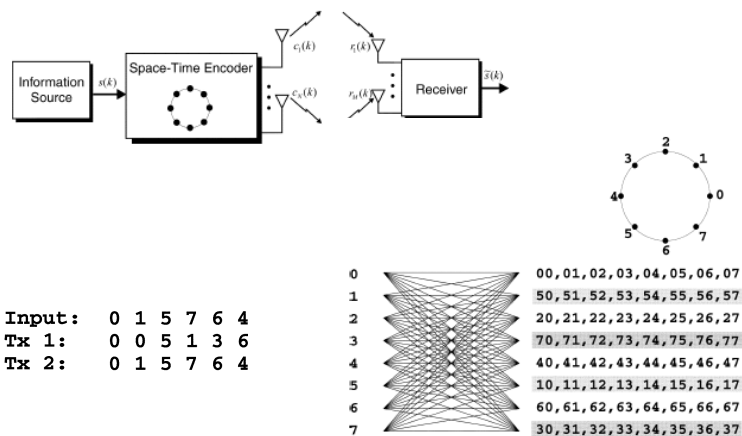
Data rate maximization : Spatial multiplexing

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Space-Time Trellis Code (STTC)

Example with Spectral efficiency equal to 3b/symbol



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Space-Time Trellis Code (STTC)

- no loss of spectral efficiency
- Diversity gain $\leq NM$
- coding gain

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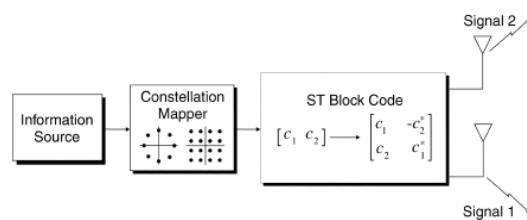
Space Time Block codes :

- Simpler processing (linear processing) than STTC
- Diversity gain
- No coding gain

Example : Alamouti scheme, 1998 , 2x1 STBC

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Exercise : Alamouti scheme :

h_1 : channel TX #1 – RX , h_2 : channel TX #2 – RX

Hyp: h_i constant over 2 consecutive symbols

The received signals over two consecutive periods are noted r_1 and r_2 . The associated thermal noise is noted n_1 and n_2 .

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Diversity maximization (5)

1) Express r_1 and r_2 in function of $c_1, c_2, n_1, n_2, h_1, h_2$

2) Let $r = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 & r_2^* \end{bmatrix}^T$ $c = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 \end{bmatrix}^T$ $n = \begin{bmatrix} n_1 & n_2^* \end{bmatrix}^T$

Show that r can be expressed as : $r = Hc + n$ where H is a matrix to be defined.

3) Show that $H^*H = \alpha I_2$ where α is to be defined (I_2 : 2x2 identity matrix) and $*$ means transpose conjugate.

4) Let: $\tilde{r} = H^*r$ with $\tilde{r} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{r}_1 & \tilde{r}_2 \end{bmatrix}$

Show that : $\tilde{r} = \alpha c + \tilde{n}$ with $\tilde{n} = H^*n$ where \tilde{n} is a complex gaussian process with zero mean and covariance $\alpha N_0 I_2$.

5) Deduce the decoding rule for c_1 and c_2 . What can you say about the decoding complexity ?

6) What is the diversity order of the system?

7) Draw a block diagram of the receiver.

8) What is the transmission rate (=transmitted rate/information rate)?

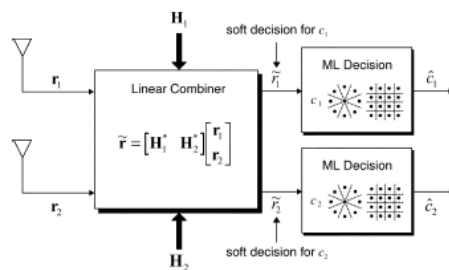
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Diversity maximization (6)

Extensions of Alamouti scheme:

2x2 STBC



Show that diversity order=4 and transmission rate=1, power gain : 0 dB

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STBC for $N > 2$ TX antennas

- No existing solutions for complex constellations and a transmission rate =1
- For transmission rate < 1 STBC can be found.

Example : 4 TX antennas, 1 RX antennas \Rightarrow 4x1 STBC

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & -c_2 & -c_3 & -c_4 & c_1^* & -c_2^* & -c_3^* & -c_4^* \\ c_2 & c_1 & c_4 & -c_3 & c_2^* & c_1^* & c_4^* & -c_3^* \\ c_3 & -c_4 & c_1 & c_2 & c_3^* & -c_4^* & c_1^* & c_2^* \\ c_4 & c_3 & -c_2 & c_1 & c_4^* & c_3^* & -c_2^* & c_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Diversity order : 4 , Transmission rate : $\frac{1}{2}$, power gain : 3dB

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- Channel estimation has to be performed
 - Use of pilot symbols
- STBC in frequency selective channels
 - Use of equalization methods (difficult)
 - Use of MIMO-OFDM or MIMO-MC-CDMA schemes

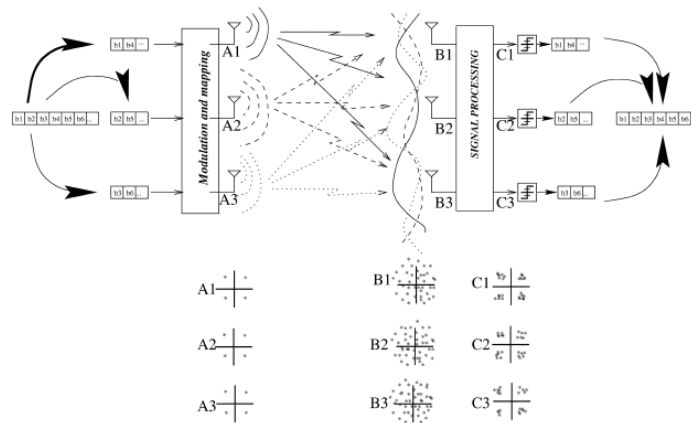
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Data rate maximization (1)

- Independent bit streams are sent over different antennas

Example : 3x3 VBLAST



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Data rate maximization (2)

- Generalization : NxM MIMO system

Transmitted data block $C : N \times L$

Received data block $Y : M \times L$

$$Y = HC + N$$

- MIMO receiver (estimation of C)
 - Linear receivers (ZF, MMSE)
 - Non linear receiver (ML, SIC,...)

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Ex1 : ZF for 3x3 MIMO system

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + noise = H \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} + noise$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \\ \hat{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} = H^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex1 : ZF for MxN MIMO system

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \dots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & \dots \\ h_{21} & h_{22} & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \end{bmatrix} + noise = H \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \dots \end{bmatrix} + noise$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \\ \dots \end{bmatrix} = H^{\#} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ with } H^{\#} \text{ pseudo-inverse } H^{\#} = (H^* H)^{-1} H^*$$

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Standards:

- LTE :
- MIMO+OFDM : data rate 10 times higher than HSPA in urban environment.
- WIFI : 802.11n
 - WIMAX : 802.16e
 - 4G : MIMO-OFDM
 - 5G : massive MIMO

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