

Massive Notes 1.9

Key Points : Basic Concept of SDMA; M-MMSE

1. Basic Concept of SDMA

1. In the previous notes, we talked about 1) increasing the transmit power or 2) using multiple BS antennas can only bring **modest** improvements to the UL SE. The main reason of this is these methods improve the **SINR**, which appears **INSIDE** the logarithm of the SE expression, thus the SE increases **SLOWLY**.

2. Therefore, we would like to identify a way that improves the SE at the **OUTSIDE** of the logarithm instead.

3. Let's recall the SE expressions of LoS and NLoS. Firstly, consider the SISO case, then we have

$$SE_0^{\text{LoS}} = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\bar{\beta} + \frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0}} \right) = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\bar{\beta} + \frac{\sigma^2}{p\beta_0^0}} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$SE_0^{\text{NLoS}} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{p|h_0^0|^2}{p|h_1^0|^2 + \sigma^2} \right) \right\} = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0}} E_1\left(\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0}\right) - e^{\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0\bar{\beta}}} E_1\left(\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0\bar{\beta}}\right)}{\log_e(2)(1 - \bar{\beta})} \quad (2)$$

then consider SIMO case

$$SE_0^{\text{LoS}} = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{M}{\bar{\beta}g(\varphi_0^0, \varphi_1^0) + \frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0}} \right) = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{M}{\bar{\beta}g(\varphi_0^0, \varphi_1^0) + \frac{\sigma^2}{p\beta_0^0}} \right) \quad (3)$$

$$SE_0^{\text{NLoS}} = \left(\frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{\bar{\beta}})^M} - 1 \right) \frac{e^{\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0\bar{\beta}}} E_1\left(\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0\bar{\beta}}\right)}{\log_e(2)} \\ + \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{l=0}^{M-m} \frac{(-1)^{M-m-l+1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{\bar{\beta}})^M} \frac{\left(e^{\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0}} E_1\left(\frac{1}{\text{SNR}_0}\right) + \sum_{n=1}^l \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{j! \text{SNR}_0^j} \right)}{(M-m-l)! \text{SNR}_0^{M-m-l} \bar{\beta} \log_e(2)} \quad (4)$$

4. Since the logarithmic expressions in (1) to (4) describe the SE of the channel between a particular UE and its serving BS, we can potentially serve **MULTIPLE** UEs, say K UEs, simultaneously in each cell and achieve a **sum SE** that is **the summation of K SE expressions** of the types in (1) to (4).

5. An obvious bottleneck of such multiplexing of UEs is the **Co-user Interference** that increase with K and now appears also **WITHIN** each cell (i.e., intra-cell interference). The intra-cell interference can be much stronger than the inter-cell interference and needs to be **suppressed** if a K -fold increase in SE is actually to be achieved.

6. **SDMA** is short for **Space-Division Multiple Access**, which aims to handle the co-user interference in a cell by using multiple antennas at the BS to reject interference by spatial processing. Then the terminology **Multiuser MIMO** was used.

7. **Multiuser MIMO** means the K UEs are multiple inputs and the M antennas in a BS are the multiple outputs. Therefore, multiuser MIMO is used **irrespective** of how many antennas each UE is equipped with.

2. UL SDMA Transmission Model

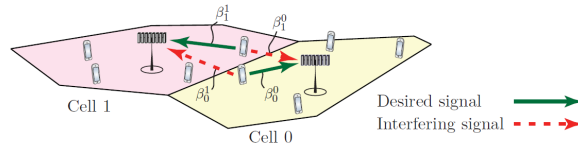


Figure.1 K active UEs in each cell.

8. Consider there are K active UEs in each cell just as Figure. 1, and the channel response between the k th desired UE in cell 0 and the serving BS is denoted by $\mathbf{h}_{0k}^0 \in \mathbb{C}^M$ for $k = 1, \dots, K$, the subscript $0k$ means this channel response is from the k th UE, and this UE is in the cell 0. The superscript 0 indicates the BS in cell 0. Therefore, \mathbf{h}_{1k}^0 refers to the channel response between the k th UE in the cell 1 and the BS in cell 0. So the received multiantenna UL signal is the generalized to

$$\mathbf{y}_0 = \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{h}_{0k}^0 s_{0k}}_{\text{Desired signals}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{h}_{1k}^0 s_{1k}}_{\text{Interfering signals}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{n}_0}_{\text{Noise}} \quad (5)$$

9. The LoS channel response for UE k in the cell j is

$$\mathbf{h}_{jk}^0 = \sqrt{\beta_j^0} [1, e^{2\pi j d_H \sin(\varphi_{jk}^0)}, \dots, e^{2\pi j d_H (M-1) \sin(\varphi_{jk}^0)}]^T \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1 \quad (6)$$

where $\varphi_{jk}^0 \in [0, 2\pi)$ and $\mathbf{h}_{jk}^0 \sim \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbf{0}_M, \beta_j^0 \mathbf{I}_M)$ and assumed to be statistically independent between UEs.

10. The problem we face now is when BS received the superposition signal from K desired UEs, how to **separate** those UEs in the spatial domain. In other words, how to **direct** its hearing towards the location of each desired UE.

3. M - MMSE

11. Suppose the BS in the cell 0 can use knowledge of its k th UE's channel response to **TAILOR** a receive combining vector $\mathbf{v}_{0k} \in \mathbb{C}^M$ to this UE channel. This vector is multiplied with the received signal (5) to obtain

$$\mathbf{v}_{0k}^H \mathbf{y}_0 = \underbrace{\mathbf{v}_{0k}^H \mathbf{h}_{0k}^0 s_{0k}}_{\text{Desired signal}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^K \mathbf{v}_{0k}^H \mathbf{h}_{0i}^0 s_{0i}}_{\text{Intra-cell interference}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{v}_{0k}^H \mathbf{h}_{1i}^0 s_{1i}}_{\text{Inter-cell interference}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{v}_{0k}^H \mathbf{n}_0}_{\text{Noise}} \quad (7)$$

12. So what is \mathbf{v}_{0k} should be? We may remember MRC, then we have

$$\mathbf{v}_{0k} = \mathbf{h}_{0k}^0 \quad (8)$$

but it is not the optimal choice. In fact, the optimal vector is **Multicell Minimum Mean-Squared Error(M-MMSE)** as follows

$$\mathbf{v}_{0k} = p \left(p \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{h}_{0i}^0 (\mathbf{h}_{0i}^0)^H + p \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{h}_{1i}^0 (\mathbf{h}_{1i}^0)^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_M \right)^{-1} \mathbf{h}_{0k}^0 \quad (9)$$

12. M-MMSE combining maximizes the SINR by finding the best **balance** between amplifying the desired signal and suppressing interference in the spatial domain. The price to pay is the **increased computational complexity** from inverting a matrix and the need to learn the matrix that is inverted in (9). (END)