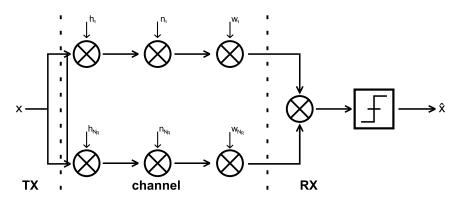
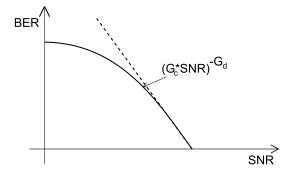
# 1 SIMO Systems

#### Remarks

- $\bullet$  In SIMO Systems only <u>coding</u> and <u>diversity</u> <u>gains</u> can be exploited (no multiplexing gains)
- To realize these gains diversity combining has to be performed
- Diversity combining schemes vary in complexity and performance
- There are many diversity combining schemes. Here we consider:
  - Maximal ratio combining (MRC)
  - Equal gain combining (EGC)
  - Selection combining (SC)
- Diversity combining problem



- how to choose combining weights  $w_n$ ?
- what performance (e.g. error rate, outage probability) is achieved?
- what diversity and coding/combining gain is achieved?



•  $G_c$ : Coding gain

•  $G_d$ : Diversity gain

## 1.1 Preliminaries

Consider an equivalent system:

$$y=hx+n;$$
 
$$\mathcal{E}\{|x^2|\}=E_s; \qquad \qquad \mathcal{E}\{|n^2|\}=\sigma_n^2; \qquad \qquad \mathcal{E}\{|h|^2\}=1$$

- Instantaneous SNR:  $\gamma_t = \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} \cdot |h|^2$
- Average SNR:  $\bar{\gamma}_t = \mathcal{E}\{\gamma_t\} = \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2}$

## Bit and Symbol Error Rate

• The Bit and Symbol Error Rate of many modulation schemes can be expressed for given  $\gamma_t$  as:

$$P_e(\gamma_t) = aQ\{\sqrt{b\gamma_t}\}$$

where:

- $Q(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \int_x^\infty e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$
- $P_e(\gamma_t)$  may be exact result or approximation
- BPSK: exact with a = 1, b = 2
- M-ary QAM: tight approximation with  $a = 4\left(1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\right), b = \frac{3}{M-1}$

 $(Einschub: Gray - Code: BER = \frac{1}{\log_2 M} \cdot SER)$ 

• Alternative representation of Q - function:

$$Q(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2sin^2\theta}} d\theta$$

- $\rightarrow$  Integral limits are fixed and do not depend on integration variables!
- Average error probability

$$P_e = \mathcal{E}\{P_e(\gamma_t)\} = \int_0^\infty aQ(\sqrt{bx})p_{\gamma_t}(x) dx$$

- Integral may be difficult to solve analytically
- Integral has infinite support  $\rightarrow$  numerical evaluation difficult
- Using alternative representation of Q-function we get:

$$P_{e} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{a}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-\frac{bx}{2sin^{2}\theta}} p_{\gamma_{t}}(x) d\theta dx$$

$$= \frac{a}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_{0}^{\infty} p_{\gamma_{t}}(x) e^{-\frac{b}{2sin^{2}\theta}} dx d\theta \qquad = \frac{a}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} M_{\gamma_{t}}(\frac{b}{2sin^{2}\theta}) d\theta$$

where:

- $-M_{\gamma_t}(s) = \int_0^\infty p_{\gamma_t}(x)e^{-sx} dx$  is the Laplace transform of  $p_{\gamma_t}$
- $-M_{\gamma_t}(-s)$  is the so called Moment Generation Function (MGF) of  $p_{\gamma_t}$
- Here, we will also refer to  $M_{\gamma_t}(s)$  as MGF
- $M_{\gamma_t}(s)$  is sometimes easier to obtain than  $p_{\gamma_t}$
- The above integral can be easily evaluated numerically because of the finite integral limits

## Outage probability

• The outage probability is the probability that the channel cannot support a certain rate, R, i.e. (where  $\gamma_T$  is the threshold SNR):

$$C = \log_2(1 + \gamma_t) < R \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \gamma_t < 2^R - 1 \triangleq \gamma_T$$

Thus, the outage probability is given by:

$$P_{out} = P_0 \gamma_t < \gamma - T = \int_0^{\gamma_T} p_{\gamma_t}(x) \ dx$$

• Using the inverse Laplace Transform

$$p_{\gamma_t}(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{c-j\omega}^{c+j\omega} M_{\gamma_t}(s) e^{sx} dx$$

where c > 0 is a small constant that lies in the region of convergence of the integral, we



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$$P_{out} = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{c-j\omega}^{c+j\omega} M_{\gamma_t}(s) \int_0^{\gamma_T} e^{sx} dx ds = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{c-j\omega}^{c+j\omega} M_{\gamma_t}(s) e^{\gamma_T s} \frac{ds}{s}$$

(lower integral limit is 0 since  $p_{\gamma_t}(0) = 0$ )

- and 2.:

$$p_{\gamma_t}(x) = \int_0^x p_{\gamma_t}(t) \ dt = 0$$
for  $x = 0$  note:  $p_{\gamma_t}(x) \xleftarrow{Laplace}{transform} \frac{1}{s} M_{\gamma_t}(s)$ 

## **General combining scheme**

$$y = \left(\sum_{n=1}^{N_R} h_n w_n\right) x + \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} w_n n_n$$
$$\gamma_t = \frac{\epsilon_s \left|\sum_{n=1}^{N_R} h_n w_n\right|^2}{\sigma_n^2 \sum_{N=1}^{N_R} |w_n|^2}$$

where  $w_n$  depends on the particular combining scheme.

## 1.2 MRC (Maximum Ratio Combining)

- what weight  $w_n$  maximize  $\gamma_t$ ?
  - Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} h_n w_n \right|^2 \le \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |h_n|^2 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |w_n|^2$$

where equality holds if and only if  $w_n = c \cdot h_n^*$  for some non-zero constant c.

- for  $w_n = h_n^*$ , we obtain

$$\gamma_t = \frac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2} \cdot \frac{\left(\sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |h_n|^2\right)^2}{\sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |h_n|^2} = \frac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2} \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |h_n|^2$$

- $-w_n = h_n^* \forall n$  are the MRC combining weights.
- $\bullet$  For performance analysis we assume independent identically distributed (IID) Rayleigh fading

• Error rate

$$\gamma_t = \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} \gamma_n$$

 $\rightarrow$  sum of IID random variables (r.v.s.)

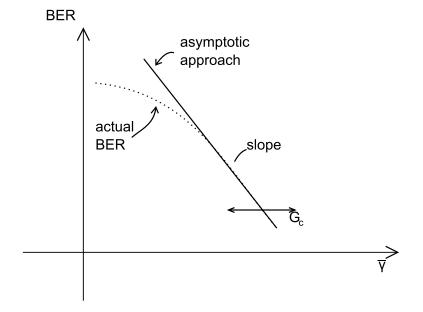
$$M_{\gamma_t}(s) = \left(M_{\gamma}(s)\right)^{N_R} = \frac{1}{(1+s\bar{\gamma})^{N_R}} = \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} \cdot \frac{1}{(s+\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}})^{N_R}}$$

inverse Laplace-transform (from tables)

$$p_{\gamma_t}(x) = \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} \cdot \frac{x^{N_R - 1}}{(N_R - 1)!} e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}}; \quad x \ge 0$$

• Direct approach

$$p_e = \int_0^\infty a \cdot Q\left(\sqrt{ax}\right) p_{\gamma_t}(x) \ dx = a \left(\frac{1-\mu}{2}\right)^{N_R} \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{N_R-1} \binom{N_R-1+n}{n} \left(\frac{1+\mu}{2}\right)^n$$
 where  $\mu = \sqrt{\frac{b\bar{\gamma}}{2+b\bar{\gamma}}}$ 



• MGF approach

$$\begin{split} p_e &= \frac{a}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} M_{\gamma_t} \left( \frac{b}{2 \sin^2 \theta} \right) d\theta \\ &= \frac{a}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R} \left( \frac{b}{\sin^2 \theta} + \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}} \right)^{N_R}} d\theta \quad \text{(numerisch berechnen!)} \end{split}$$

• high SNR:  $\bar{\gamma} \to \infty \Longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}} \to 0$ 

$$\begin{split} p_e &= \frac{a}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{b}\right)^{N_R} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2N_R} \theta \ d\theta \\ \text{(from MGF approach: } \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2N_R} \theta \ d\theta &= \frac{\pi}{2^{N_R+1}} \cdot \binom{2N_R}{N_R} \\ &= \frac{a}{2^{N_R+1} \cdot b^{N_R}} \left(2N_R \quad N_R\right) \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} \quad \text{as } \bar{\gamma} \to \infty \\ &\stackrel{!}{=} \left(\frac{1}{G_c \bar{\gamma}}\right) \end{split}$$

where: Diversity gain:  $G_d = N_R$ 

Combining/Coding gain: 
$$G_c = 2b \left(\frac{a}{2} \binom{2N_R}{N_R}\right)^{-\frac{1}{N_R}}$$

- MRC exploits the maximal possible diversity
- Diversity gain is not affected by correlation as the branches are not fully correlated
- Diversity gain depends on fading distribution

## Outage probability

$$P_{out} = \int_0^{\gamma_T} p_{\gamma_t}(x) \ dx = \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} \int_0^{\gamma_T} \frac{x^{N_R - 1}}{(N_R - 1)!} e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}} \ dx$$
$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{\gamma_T}{\bar{\gamma}}} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma_T}{\bar{\gamma}}\right)^n}{(n-1)!}$$

• Approximation (Taylor series):  $\bar{\gamma} \to \infty$ :  $-e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}} = 1 - \frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}} + O(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}})$  where a function f(x) is O(x) if  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{f(x)}{x} = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow P_{out} = \frac{1}{\gamma^{N_R}} \int_{0}^{\gamma_T} \frac{x^{N_R - 1}}{(N_R - 1)!} \left( 1 - \frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}} + O\left(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}}\right) \right)$$

• Diversity and coding gain can also be defined for  $P_{out}$ 

## 1.3 EGC (Equal Gain Combining)

## **Combining Weights**

- For MRC, both, the amplitudes and phases of the channel gains  $h_n = |h_n|e^{j\varphi_n}$  have to be known (or estimated in practice)
- In EGC it is assumed that only the phases are known and weights  $w_n = e^{-j\varphi_n}$  are used.

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_t = \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} \frac{\left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |h_n| e^{j\varphi_n} e^{-j\varphi_n} \right|^2}{\sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |e^{-j\varphi_n}|^2} = \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} \frac{1}{N_R} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} |h_n| \right)^2$$
$$= \frac{1}{N_R} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} \sqrt{\gamma_n} \right)^2; \text{ with } \gamma_n = \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} |h_n|^2$$

#### **Performance Analysis**

- IID case
  - $\Rightarrow \sqrt{\gamma_n}$  is Rayleigh distributed
  - $\Rightarrow$  Exact analysis is much more difficult than for MRC  $\Rightarrow$  see book by Simon & Alouini p.341
- Approximate result

$$P_{e} = \frac{a}{2} \left[ 1 - \sqrt{\frac{2b\bar{\gamma}}{5 + 2b\bar{\gamma}}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_{R}-1} \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{4^{n} (1 + \frac{2}{5}b\bar{\gamma})^{n}} \right]$$

- high SNR
  - $\Rightarrow$  use high SNR analysis of Wang & Giannakis, 2003
  - $\Rightarrow$  at high SNR, only pdf of  $\gamma_n$  around 0 is relevant for performance

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Rayleigh} \\ p_{\gamma}(x) = \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}} e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}} \stackrel{\text{Taylor Serie}}{=} \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}} + O\left(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}}\right) \text{ as } x \to 0 \end{array}$$

• need pdf  $\gamma_t$ : ( $\gamma_n$  bekannt,  $\rightarrow$  ges.: Wurzel, etc.) (cumulative distribution function of  $\sqrt{\gamma} \stackrel{\text{i.i.d}}{=} \sqrt{\gamma_n}$ ) (cdf))

$$\begin{split} &P_{\sqrt{\gamma}}(x) = \Pr \big\{ \sqrt{\gamma} \leq x \big\} = \Pr \big\{ \gamma \leq x^2 \big\} = P_{\gamma}(x^2) = \text{cdf of } \gamma \\ &\to p_{\sqrt{\gamma}}(x) = \frac{d}{dx} P_{\sqrt{\gamma}}(x) = 2x \cdot p_{\gamma}(x^2) = \frac{2x}{\bar{\gamma}} + O \Big( \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}} \Big) \end{split}$$

• Laplace Transformation to MGF

$$\begin{split} & \to M_{\sqrt{\gamma}}(s) = \mathcal{L}\big\{p_{\sqrt{\gamma}}(x)\big\} = \frac{2}{\bar{\gamma}} \cdot \frac{1}{s^2} + O\big(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}}\big) \\ & \sqrt{\gamma_t} = \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} \frac{\sqrt{\gamma_n}}{N_R} \\ & M_{\sqrt{\gamma_t}}(s) = \mathcal{E}\Big\{\exp(-s\sqrt{\gamma_t})\Big\} = \mathcal{E}\Big\{\exp(-\frac{s}{\sqrt{N_R}} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{N_R} \sqrt{\gamma_n})\Big\} = \Big(\mathcal{E}\Big\{\exp(-\frac{s}{\sqrt{N_R}} \cdot \sqrt{\gamma_n}\Big\}\Big)^{N_R} \\ & = \Big(M_{\sqrt{\gamma}}\big(\frac{s}{\sqrt{N_R}}\big)\Big)^{N_R} = \Big(\frac{2}{\bar{\gamma}} \cdot \frac{N_R}{s^2}\Big)^{N_R} + O\Big(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}}\Big) \end{split}$$

• inverse Laplace Transform

$$\begin{split} p_{\sqrt{\gamma_{t}}}(x) &= \mathcal{L}^{-1}\Big\{M_{\sqrt{\gamma_{t}}}(s)\Big\} = \Big(\frac{2N_{R}}{\bar{\gamma}}\Big)^{N_{R}} \cdot \frac{x^{2N_{R}-1}}{(2N_{R}-1)!} + O\Big(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_{R}}}\Big) \\ P_{\gamma_{t}}(x) &= \Pr\{\gamma_{t} \leq x\} = \Pr\{\sqrt{\gamma_{t}} \leq \sqrt{x}\} = P_{\sqrt{\gamma_{t}}}(\sqrt{x}) \to \operatorname{cdf of } \sqrt{\gamma_{t}} \\ p_{\gamma_{t}}(x) &= \frac{d}{dx}P_{\gamma_{t}}(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \cdot p_{\gamma_{t}}(\sqrt{x}) = \frac{1}{2}\Big(\frac{2N_{R}}{\bar{\gamma}}\Big)^{N_{R}} \cdot \frac{x^{N_{R}-1}}{(2N_{R}-1)!} + O\Big(\bar{\gamma}^{-N_{R}}\Big) \\ \to M_{\gamma_{t}}(s) &= \mathcal{L}\{p_{\gamma_{t}}(x)\} = \frac{1}{2}\Big(\frac{2N_{R}}{\bar{\gamma}}\Big)^{N_{R}} \cdot \frac{(N_{R}-1)!}{(2N_{R}-1)!} + O\Big(\bar{\gamma}^{-N_{R}}\Big) \end{split}$$

• Error Probability:

$$P_{e} = \frac{a}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} M_{\gamma_{t}} \left(\frac{b}{2 \sin^{2}(\theta)}\right) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{a}{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2N_{R}}{\bar{\gamma}}\right)^{N_{R}} \frac{(N_{R} - 1)!}{(2N_{R} - 1)!} \frac{2^{N_{R}}}{b^{N_{R}}} \int_{\frac{\pi}{2^{2N_{R}} + 1}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^{2N_{R}}(\theta) d\theta + O\left(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_{R}}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{aN_{R}^{N_{R}}}{2b^{N_{R}}N_{R}!} \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_{R}}} + O\left(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_{R}}}\right) \stackrel{!}{=} \left(\frac{1}{G_{c}}\right)^{G_{d}}$$

$$\implies \text{Diversity gain: } G_{d} = N_{R}$$

$$\implies \text{Combining gain: } G_{c} = \frac{b}{N_{R}} \left(\frac{2N_{R}!}{a}\right)^{\frac{1}{N_{R}}}$$

vergleiche auch Blatt mit Kurven III und IV

A similar asymptotic analysis can be conducted for the outage probability.

## 1.4 SC (Selection Combining)

## Combining weights

- only the strongest branch is chosen
- strongest branch:  $\hat{n} = \underset{n}{\operatorname{argmax}} \gamma_n \longrightarrow \gamma_t = \gamma_{\hat{n}}$
- only on RF receiver chain required  $\rightarrow$  saves hardware complexity

## Performance analysis

• cdf of:  $\gamma_t$ 

$$P_{\gamma_t}(x) = \Pr\{\gamma_{\hat{n}} \le x\} = \Pr\{\gamma_1 \le x \cap \gamma_2 \le x \cap \dots \gamma_{N_R} \le x\}$$

$$\stackrel{(IID)}{=} \left(\Pr\{\gamma_n \le x\}\right)^{N_R} = \left(P_{\gamma}(x)\right)^{N_R}$$

• pdf:

$$p_{\gamma_t}(x) = \frac{d}{dx} P_{\gamma_t}(x) = N_R \left( P_{\gamma}(x) \right)^{N_R - 1} \cdot p_{\gamma}(x)$$
 where: 
$$p_{\gamma_t}(x) = \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}} e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}}; \quad x \ge 0$$
 
$$P_{\gamma}(x) = \int_0^x p_{\gamma}(x) \ dx = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}}; \quad x \ge 0$$
 
$$\to p_{\gamma_t}(x) = \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}} \right)^{N_R - 1} e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}}; \quad x \ge 0$$

## **Error probability**

- direct approach  $\rightarrow$  closed-form solution possible
- MGF approach
  - Binomial expansion

$$\begin{split} p_{\gamma_t}(x) &= \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}} e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_R-1} \binom{N_R-1}{n} 1^{N_R-1-n} \Big( -e^{-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}} \Big)^n \\ &= \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_R-1} \binom{N_R-1}{n} \cdot (-1)^n e^{-\frac{x(n+1)}{\bar{\gamma}}}; \quad x \geq 0 \end{split}$$

- MGF

$$M_{\gamma_t}(s) = \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_R - 1} {N_R - 1 \choose n} (-1)^n \frac{1}{s + \frac{n+1}{\bar{\gamma}}}$$

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$$P_e = \frac{a}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} M_{\gamma_t} \left( \frac{b}{2 \sin^2 \theta} \right) d\theta = \frac{a N_R}{\pi \bar{\gamma}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_R - 1} \binom{N_R - 1}{n} (-1)^n \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{d\theta}{\frac{b}{2 \sin^2 \theta} + \frac{n+1}{\bar{\gamma}}}$$

 $\rightarrow$  can be evaluated numerically

– high SNR approach  $\Rightarrow \bar{\gamma} \to \infty$ 

$$p_{\gamma_t} = \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}} \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}\right) \right]^{N_R - 1} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}}\right)$$

$$\bar{\gamma} \stackrel{\infty}{=} \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}} \left[ 1 - \left(1 - \frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}} + O\left(\bar{\gamma}^{-1}\right)\right) \right]^{N_R - 1} \left(1 - \frac{x}{\bar{\gamma}} + O\left(\bar{\gamma}^{-1}\right)\right) i$$

$$= \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} x^{N_R - 1} + o\left(\bar{\gamma}^{-N_R}\right)$$

- MGF:

$$\begin{split} M_{\gamma_t}(s) &= \frac{N_R}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} \frac{(N_R - 1)!}{s^{N_R}} + O\left(\bar{\gamma}^{-N_R}\right) \\ &\left[ \to P_e = \frac{a}{\pi} \int\limits_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} M_{\gamma_t} \left(\frac{b}{2\sin^2(\theta)}\right) \mathrm{d}\theta \right] \\ &= \frac{a(2N_R)!}{b^{N_R} 2^{N_R + 1} N_R!} \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}^{N_R}} + O(\bar{\gamma}^{-N_R}) \end{split}$$

 $\implies$  Diversity gain:  $G_d = N_R$ 

$$\implies$$
 Combining gain:  $G_c = 2b \left( \frac{2N_R!}{a(2N_R)!} \right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}$ 

- Outage Probability

$$\begin{split} P_{out} &= \Pr\{\gamma_{\hat{n}} \leq \gamma_T\} = P_{\gamma_{\hat{n}}}(\gamma_T) = \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\gamma_T}{\bar{\gamma}}\right)\right]^{N_R} \\ \text{high SNR: } P_{out} &= \left(\frac{\gamma_T}{\bar{\gamma}}\right)^{N_R} + O\left(\bar{\gamma}^{-N_R}\right) \end{split}$$

## 1.5 Comparison

- Diversity Gain: MRC, EGC and SC all achieve the maximum possible diversity gain of  $G_d = N_R$
- Combining Gain:
  The combining gains of MRC, EGC and SC are different
  - MRC/EGC:

$$\frac{G_C^{EGC}}{G_C^{MRC}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2b} \left(\frac{a}{2} {2N_R \choose N_R}\right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}}{\frac{N_R}{b} \left(\frac{a}{2} \frac{1}{N_R!}\right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}} = \frac{\left[(2N_R)!\right]^{\frac{1}{N_R}}}{2N_R (N_R)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}} \le 1$$

(independent of a or b which are modulation parameters, only depends on number of antennas)

$$N_R \gg 1$$
:  $N_R! \approx \sqrt{2\pi}e^{-N_R}N_R^{N_R + \frac{1}{2}}$  (Stirling)

$$\left. \frac{G_C^{EGC}}{G_C^{MRC}} \right|_{N_R \gg 1} = \frac{\left( \sqrt{2\pi} e^{-2N_R} (2N_R)^{2N_R + \frac{1}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}}{2N_R \left( \sqrt{2\pi} e^{-N_R} N_R^{N_R + \frac{1}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}} = \frac{2 \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{2N_R}}}{2} \stackrel{N_R \to \infty}{\to} \frac{2}{e} \equiv -1.3 \text{dB}$$

- MRC/SC:

$$\begin{split} \frac{G_C^{SC}}{G_C^{MRC}} &= \frac{2b \left(\frac{a}{2} \binom{2N_R}{N_R}\right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}}{2b \left(\frac{a}{2} \frac{(2N_R)!}{N_R!}\right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}} = \frac{1}{\left(N_R!\right)^{\frac{1}{N_R}}} \leq 1 \\ \frac{G_C^{SC}}{G_C^{MRC}} \bigg|_{N_R \gg 1} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi^{\frac{1}{N_R}}} e^{-1} N_R^{1+\frac{1}{2N_R}}} N_R \xrightarrow{\rightarrow} \infty \frac{e}{N_R} \end{split}$$

 $\rightarrow$  loss increases with  $N_R$ 

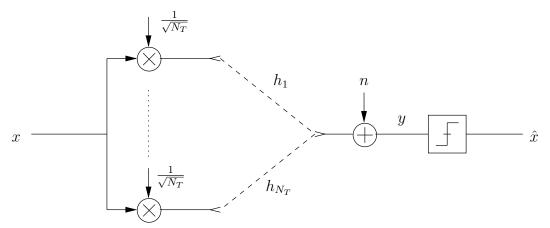
## 2 MISO Systems

#### Remarks

- Similar to SIMO systems, in MISO systems only coding and diversity gains can be obtained.
- To realize these gains, a careful transmitter design is necessary
- ullet System design depends on whether or not channel state information (CSI) is available at transmitter

## 2.1 Naive Approach

• Assume we simply send the same signal over all  $N_T$  transmit antennas



- Transmit power:  $\mathcal{E}\left\{\left|\frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}}x\right|^2+,\ldots,\left|\frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}}x\right|^2\right\}=\mathcal{E}\left\{N_T\frac{1}{N_T}|x|^2\right\}=E_s$
- Received signal:  $y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}} \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} h_n \cdot x + n$
- Rayleigh fading:  $h_n$  are zero mean complex gaussian random variables  $\to h$  is also zero mean complex gaussian
- i.i.d.:

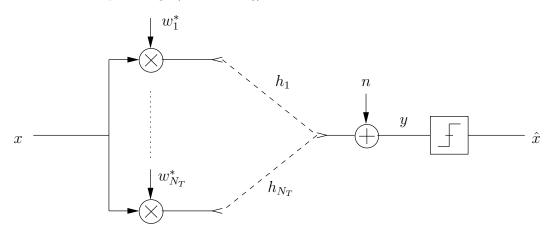
$$- \mathcal{E}\{|h_n|^2\} = 1 \ \forall n$$

$$- \mathcal{E}\{|h|^2\} = \frac{1}{N_T} \mathcal{E}\left\{ \left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} h_n \right|^2 \right\} = \frac{1}{N_T} \mathcal{E}\left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |h_n|^2 \right\} = 1$$

- statistical properties of h are independent of  $N_T$
- the multiple transmit antennas have no benefit at all
- more sophisticated transmitter designs necessary

## 2.2 Full CSI Available at the Transmitter

- $h_n, n \in \{1, \dots, N_T\}$  is known at the transmitter
- $\bullet$  Perform "precoding" (beamforming) with coefficients  $w_n$



- Transmit Power: Two constraints maybe considered
  - Average transmit power constraint

$$P_{av} = \mathcal{E}\left\{\sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |w_n^* x|^2\right\} = \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |w_n|^2 \underbrace{\mathcal{E}\{|x|^2\}}_{E_s} = \mathcal{E}_s \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |w_n|^2 = 1$$

- Power constraint for each transmit antenna

$$\rightarrow |w_n| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}} \longrightarrow P_{av} = E_s$$

• Recveived signal:  $y = \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} w_n^* h_n x + n$  (equivalent SISO channel)

## Maximum Ratio Transmission (MRT)

 $\bullet$  we have only the average power constraint:  $\sum\limits_{n=1}^{N_T}|w_n|^2=1$ 

• SNR: 
$$\gamma_t = \frac{E_s |h|^2}{\sigma_n^2} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_s \left| \sum\limits_{n=1}^{N_T} w_n^* \cdot h_n \right|^2}{\sigma_n^2}$$

• Maximize SNR under constraint  $\sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |w_n|^2 = 1$ 

 $\bullet$  constraint optimization problem  $\to$  Lagrange method

$$L = \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} w_n^* \cdot h_n \right|^2 + \lambda \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |w_n|^2 - 1 \right); \text{ where: } \lambda = \text{Lagrange Multiplier}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Wirtinger Kalkül: treat z and  $z^*$  as independent variables for differentiation:

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial z^*}{\partial z} &= 0; \quad \frac{\partial |z|^2}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial z \cdot z^*}{\partial z} = z^* \\ \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial x} &= 2x; \quad \frac{\partial (z^*)^2}{\partial z^*} = 2 \cdot z^*; \frac{\partial |z|^2}{\partial z} = z^* \end{split}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_m^*} = \frac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} w_n^* \cdot h_n \right)^* h_m + \lambda w_m$$

$$\rightarrow w_m = rac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2 \cdot \lambda} \Big(\sum_{n=1}^{N_T} w_n^* h_n\Big)^* \quad h_m$$

const., independent of m := c

$$\rightarrow w_m = c \cdot h_m$$

$$\to \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |w_n|^2 = 1 \to c^2 = \frac{1}{\sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |h_n|^2}$$

$$\rightarrow w_n = \frac{h_n}{\sqrt{\sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |h_n|^2}} \equiv \text{MRT gains}$$

$$\to \text{SNR} = \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} \Big| \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} \frac{|h_n|^2}{\sqrt{\sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |h_m|^2}} \Big|^2 = \frac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2} \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |h_n|^2$$

- ⇒ same SNR as for maximum ration combining (MRC)
- $\Rightarrow$  MRT with  $N_T$  transmit antennas achieves the same performance as MRC with  $N_T$  receive antennas
- $\Rightarrow$  MRT/MRC can be extended to  $N_T \times N_R$  MIMO systems
  - $\rightarrow$  has the same performance as MRC with  $N_T \cdot N_R$  receive antennas and one transmit antenna

## **Equal Gain Transmission (EGT)**

• we employ gains:  $w_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}} \cdot \frac{h_n}{|h_m|} \to |w_n| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}}$ 

• SNR:

$$\begin{split} \gamma_t &= \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} w_n^* h_n \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T} \cdot \frac{|h_n|^2}{|h_n|}} \right|^2 = \frac{1}{N_T} \cdot \frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{\sigma_n^2} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} |h_n| \right|^2 \\ \gamma_n &= \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n^2} |h_n|^2 \\ \text{same SNR as for EGC} &\to \gamma_t = \frac{1}{N_T} \left| \sum_{n=1}^{N_T} N_T \sqrt{\gamma_n} \right|^2 \end{split}$$

 $\rightarrow$  EGC with  $N_T$  transmit antennas achieves the same performance as EGC with  $N_T$  receive antennas

#### **Transmit Antennas Selection**

• select antenna with maximum channel gain for transmission:

$$w_n = \begin{cases} \frac{h_n}{|h_n|}, & \text{if } n = \hat{n} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ where } \hat{n} = \underset{n}{\operatorname{argmax}} |h_n|$$

• antenna selection with  $N_T$  transmit antennas achieves the same performance as Selection Combining with  $N_T$  receive antennas

## 2.3 No CSI at Transmitter - Space-Time-Coding

- $h_n, n \in \{1, \ldots, N_T\}$ , is only known at the receiver
- "Space-time-coding" has to be employed to realize diversity gain
- $T \times N_T$  matrics **X** are transmitted in T symbol intervals over  $N_T$  antennas
- ullet X is drawn from a matrix alphabet  ${\mathcal X}$
- Example:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} & \cdots & x_{1,N_T} \\ x_{2,1} & x_{2,2} & \cdots & x_{2,N_T} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{T,1} & x_{T,2} & \cdots & x_{T,N_T} \end{pmatrix}$$

- We distinguish:
  - Space-time-block-codes (STBCs)
    - $\to \mathbf{X}$  is obtained by mapping K scalar symbols  $s_k$ , k = 1, ..., K from a scalar alphabet  $\mathcal{A}$  to matrix  $\mathbf{X}$

- Space-time-trellis-codes (STTCs)  $\rightarrow$  **X** is obtained from scalar symbols  $s_k$  through a trellis encoding process. [see: Tarokh, Seshadri, Calderbank: Space-time-codes for high datarate wireless communication: Performance criterions and coder construction; IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory
- here: We concentrate on space-time-block-codes (STBCs), but many results can be easily extended to space-time-trellis-codes
- STBCs:

1998]

- K M-ary scalar symbols (e.g. M-PSK symbols) are mapped to STBC matrices  $\mathbf{X}$   $\mathbf{S} = [s_1, \dots, s_K] \to \mathbf{X}$   $s_k \in \mathcal{A} \to x \in \mathcal{X}$  with  $|\mathcal{X}| = M^K$
- Example: "Alamouti"-Code

$$\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \\ -s_2^* & s_1^* \end{pmatrix}$$

[Alamouti: A simple transmit diversity technique for wireless communication, IEEE JSAC  $1998 \cite{black}$ 

## 2.3.1 Optimal Detection

• Signal model:

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_T \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{X} \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_{N_T} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ \vdots \\ n_T \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{n}$$

- Optimal detection ML-detection
  - **h** is known at receiver
  - **n** is AWGN with  $\mathcal{E}\{\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n}^{\mathbf{H}}\} = \sigma_{\mathbf{n}}^2 \cdots \mathbf{I}_{T \times T}$
  - $-p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$

$$\begin{split} &= \frac{1}{\pi^T |\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_{T \times T}|} \mathrm{exp} \left( -(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x} \mathbf{h})^H (\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_{T \times T})^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x} \mathbf{h}) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^T \sigma_n^{2T}} \mathrm{exp} \left( -\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x} \mathbf{h})^H (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x} \mathbf{h}) \right) = \frac{1}{\pi^T \sigma_n^{2T}} \mathrm{exp} \left( ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x} \mathbf{h}||^2 \right) \end{split}$$

 $\rightarrow$  the optimal estimate  $\hat{\mathbf{X}}$  or equivalently the optimal estimate  $\hat{\mathbf{s}}$  can be obtained as

$$\hat{\mathbf{s}} = \underset{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{A}^K}{\operatorname{argmax}} \ p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \underset{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{A}^K}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{h}\mathbf{x}||^2$$

– Disadvantage: In general, metric  $||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{h}\mathbf{x}||^2$  has to be calculated  $M^K$  times  $\to$  complexity increases exponentially with K

## 2.3.2 Types of STBCs

- Orthogonal STBCs (OSTBCs)
  - OSTBCs are a special class of STBCs which allow independent detection of each  $s_k \to \text{only } K \cdot M$  metrics have to be evaluated
  - Rate STBCs:  $R_{STBC} = \frac{K}{T}$
  - Examples:
    - \* Alamouti Code  $(K = 2, T = 2) \rightarrow R_{STBC} = 1$

$$\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \\ -s_2^* & s_1^* \end{pmatrix} \updownarrow T$$

$$\stackrel{\longleftrightarrow}{\longleftrightarrow} N_T$$

 $\rightarrow$  only "full rate" OSTBC for complex  $s_k$ 

\* 
$$N_T = 3, K = 3, T = 4$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & s_2 & s_3 \\ -s_2^* & s_1^* & 0 \\ s_3^* & 0 & -s_3^* \\ 0 & -s_3^* & s_2^* \end{pmatrix} \to R_{STBC} = \frac{K}{T} = \frac{3}{4}$$

- Orthogonality:  $\mathbf{X}^H \mathbf{X} = const \cdot \mathbf{I}_{N_T \times N_T}$
- Independent detection of  $s_1 \& s_2$  for Alamouti Code

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \\ -s_2^* & s_1^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{y}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{F}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{s} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2^* \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{n}}$$

( Anmerkung:  $\underline{\text{nur}}$   $\begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{pmatrix}$  gewünscht, nicht:  $s_1^*, s_2^*$ )

$$\mathbf{F}^{H}\mathbf{F} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} h_{1}^{*} & h_{2} \\ h_{2}^{*} & -h_{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_{1} & h_{2} \\ h_{2}^{*} & -h_{1}^{*} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} |h_{1}|^{2} + |h_{2}|^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & |h_{1}|^{2} + |h_{2}|^{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{|h_1|^2+|h_2|^2}} \cdot \mathbf{F}$  is unitary matrix
- $\rightarrow \text{ ML decision: } \hat{\mathbf{s}} = \underset{\mathbf{s}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left| \left| \frac{2}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2} \cdot \mathbf{F}^H \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{y}} \mathbf{s} \right| \right|^2$
- $\rightarrow$  independent ML decoding

$$\hat{s}_1 = \underset{s_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left| s_1 - \frac{h_1^* y_1 + h_2 y_2^*}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2)} \right|$$

$$\hat{s}_2 = \underset{s_2}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left| s_2 - \frac{h_1^* y_1 - h_2 y_2^*}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2)} \right|$$

- independent decoding property can be proved for all OSTBCs
- low complexity is at the expense of a rate-loss compared to other STBCs for  $N_T > 2$ 
  - $\rightarrow$  Frequenzhopping
  - $\rightarrow$  keine Kanalinformation aus vorher empfangenen Symbolen möglich  $\Rightarrow$  Kanal ändert sich ständig: nur Entscheidung, ob Rauschen oder Signal + Rauschen
- Performance Analysis of Alamouti Code
  - Decision-variables after combining

$$r_1 = \sqrt{2} \frac{h_1^* y_1 + h_2 y_2^*}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2}$$
$$r_2 = \sqrt{2} \frac{h_1^* y_1 - h_2 y_2^*}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2}$$

because of symmetry it suffices to consider  $r_1$ 

$$\begin{split} r_1 &= \sqrt{2} \frac{h_1^* \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} s_1 h_1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} h_2 s_2 + n_1\right) + h_2 \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} h_2 s_1^* + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} h_1 s_2^* + n_2\right)^*}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2\right) s_1 + h_1^* n_1 + h_2 n_2^*}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2} \\ &= 1 \cdot s_1 + n_{eq} \end{split}$$

where

$$n_{eq} = \sqrt{2} \frac{h_1^* n_1 + h_2 n_2^*}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2}$$

$$SNR \to \gamma_t = \frac{E_s \cdot 1^2}{\sigma_{eq}^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{E}\{|s_1|^2\} = \mathcal{E}_s$$

$$\sigma_{eq}^2 = 2 \frac{|h_1|^2 \sigma_n^2 + |h_2|^2 \sigma_{eq}}{\left(|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2\right)^2} = \frac{2\sigma_n^2}{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \gamma_t = \frac{1}{2} \frac{E_s}{\sigma_n} (|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2)$$

- $\rightarrow SNR_{Alamouti} = \frac{1}{2}SNR_{MRC} = \frac{1}{2}SNR_{MRT}$
- $\rightarrow$  Alamouti code has diversity gain  $G_d = 2$
- $\rightarrow$  Transmission with Alamouti STBC requires 3dB higher SNR to achieve same performance as MRT  $\rightarrow$  3dB loss in coding gain  $G_c$
- → Lack of CSI knowledge at transmitter "costs" 3dB in power efficiency
- $\rightarrow$  General:
  - · OSTBCs achieve a diversity gain of  $G_d = N_T$  if only one receive antenna is available
  - · if  $N_R$  receive antennas are available, MRC can be used at the receiver to yield a diversity gain of  $G_d = N_T N_R$
- Other STBCs:

- Quasi orthogonal STBCs
  - \* higher rate than OSTBCs
  - \* only subset of symbols have to be decoded jointly
  - \* Example:  $K = N_T = T = 4$

$$\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & s_2 & s_3 & s_4 \\ -s_2^* & s_1^* & -s_4^* & s_3^* \\ -s_3^* & -s_4^* & s_1^* & s_2^* \\ s_4 & -s_3 & -s_2 & s_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\ast$  Anmerkung 1:  $\mathbf X$ ist ähnlich zu Alamouti Code
- \* Anmerkung 2:  $\mathbf{X}^H \mathbf{X}$ : viele Nicht-diagonal Elemente sind Null; die, die ungleich Null sind, zeigen, welche Symbole gemeinsam entschlüsselt werden müssen
- Golden Code for  $N_T=N_R=2$ : achieves a rate of  $R_{STBC}=2$  and full diversity of  $G_d=N_T,N_R=4$
- Differential STBCs:  $\mathbf{X}_k = \mathbf{X}_{k-1} \cdot \mathbf{D}_k$ .  $\mathbf{X}_k$  is transmitted,  $\mathbf{D}_k$  is transmitted
- Linear dispersion codes: designed to achieve high mutual information
- noncoherent STBCs (On-Off-Keying)

## 2.3.3 Space Time Code Design

Given:

- Code  $\mathscr{X} = \{\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{|\mathscr{X}|}\}$
- Channel: IID Rayleigh-fading:
  - $-h_n \sim C\mathcal{N}(0,1); \quad n \in \{1, 2, \dots, N_T\}$
  - AWGN  $n \sim C\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_n^2)$

Problem: How should we design codebook  $\mathcal{X}$ ?

- Need to derive error rate for general codebooks  $\mathcal{X}$ !
  - Codeword error rate

$$P_e = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{X}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|} \Pr{\{\mathbf{x}_i \neq \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i\}}$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i$  is the detected codeword and we assume that all codewords are equally likely

Problem:  $\Pr{\{\mathbf{x}_i \neq \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i\}}$  is not tractable in general

• Use union bound to upper bound  $\Pr\{\mathbf{x}_i \neq \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i\}$  as upper sum over pairwise error probabilities (PEP)  $\Pr\{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j\}$  where it is assumed that  $\mathbf{x}_i$  was transmitted and  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_i$  and  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_j$  are the only codewords in the codebook

$$P_e \leq \frac{1}{|\mathcal{X}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|} \sum_{j=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|} \Pr{\{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j\} \text{ where } j \neq i}$$

## Calculation of PEPs

Recall: 
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathscr{X}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\mathbf{h}||^2$$

Now,  $\mathbf{x}_i$  and  $\mathbf{x}_j$  are the only alternatives and an error is made if  $||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{h}||^2 > ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_j \mathbf{h}||^2$  since  $\mathbf{x}_i$  was sent but  $\mathbf{x}_j$  was detected

$$\begin{aligned} & \rightarrow ||\mathbf{x}_{i}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{n} - \mathbf{x}_{i}\mathbf{h}||^{2} > ||\mathbf{x}_{i}\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{n} - \mathbf{x}_{j}\mathbf{h}||^{2} \\ & \quad ||\mathbf{n}|| > ||(\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j})\mathbf{h} + \mathbf{n}||^{2} \\ & \rightarrow ||\mathbf{n}|| > \underbrace{\mathbf{h}^{H}(\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j})^{H}(\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j})\mathbf{h}}_{\Delta} + \mathbf{h}^{H}(\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j})\mathbf{n} + \mathbf{n}^{H}(\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j})\mathbf{h} + ||\mathbf{n}||^{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{-\mathbf{h}^{H}(\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j})^{H}\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{n}^{H}(\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j})\mathbf{h}}_{\mathbf{r}} > \Delta$$

for given  $\mathbf{h}$ , z is a gaussian random variable

$$\sigma_z^2 = \mathcal{E}\{|z|^2\} = \mathcal{E}\{2\mathbf{h}^H(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) \overbrace{\mathbf{n}\mathbf{n}^H}^{\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)\mathbf{h} + 2\mathbf{h}^H(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^H \overbrace{\mathbf{n}\mathbf{n}^T}^{=0} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^* \mathbf{h}^*\}$$

$$= 2\sigma_n^2 \Delta + 0$$

$$\Pr\{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j\} = \int_{\Delta}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_z} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{2\sigma_z^2}\right) dz, \ t = \frac{z}{\sigma_z}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_z}}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt = Q\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sigma_z}\right) = Q\left(\frac{\Delta}{\sqrt{2\sigma_n^2 \Delta}}\right)$$
$$= Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{2\sigma_n^2}}\right)$$

• 
$$\Pr{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j} = \mathcal{E}\left{Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{2\sigma_n^2}}\right)\right}$$

- to avoid cumbersome Q-function we use Chernoff bound:

$$Q(x) \le \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$\Pr{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j} \le \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{E}_h \left\{ \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{h}^H \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{h}}{4\sigma_n^2}\right) \right\}$$
where  $\mathbf{Q} = (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^H (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)$ 

- Eigendecomposition:  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{U}$  with  $\mathbf{\Lambda} = \text{diag}\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r, 0, \dots, 0\}$   $r = \text{rank}\{\mathbf{Q}\}$
- Elements h are i.i.d. Gaussian
  - $-\frac{\beta}{\beta} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{h}$  has also i.i.d. Gaussian random variables as elements since  $\mathbf{U}$  is unitary matrix

$$- \mathbf{h}^{H} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{h} = \underbrace{\mathbf{h}^{H} \mathbf{U}^{H}}_{\underline{\beta}^{*}} \mathbf{\Lambda} \underbrace{\mathbf{U} \mathbf{h}}_{\underline{\beta}} = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \lambda_{i} |\beta_{i}|^{2} \text{ with } \underline{\beta} = [\beta_{1}, \dots, \beta_{N_{T}}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr\{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j\} &= \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{E}_{\underline{\beta}} \left\{ \exp\left(-\frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^r \lambda_i |\beta_i|^2}{4\sigma_n^2}\right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{E}_{\underline{\beta}} \left\{ \prod\limits_{i=1}^r e^{-\frac{\lambda_i}{4\sigma_n^2} |\beta_i|^2} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \prod\limits_{i=1}^r \mathcal{E}_{\beta_i} \left\{ e^{-\frac{\lambda_i}{4\sigma_n^2} |\beta_i|^2} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \prod\limits_{i=1}^r \mathcal{E}_{|\beta_i|^2} \left\{ e^{-\frac{\lambda_i}{4\sigma_n^2} |\beta_i|^2} \right\} \triangleq \text{MGF of exponentially distributed variable } \alpha_i = |\beta_i|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \prod_{i=1}^{r} \frac{1}{\frac{\lambda_i}{4\sigma_n^2}} = 2^{2r-1} \frac{1}{\prod\limits_{i=1}^{r} \lambda_i} \left( \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2}}_{\widehat{=SNR}} \right)^{r}$$

• upper bound on  $P_e$ :

$$\lambda_n(i,j) = n \text{th eigenvalue of } (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^H (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)$$
$$r(i,j) = \text{ rank of } (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^H (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)$$

$$\rightarrow P_e \leq \frac{1}{|\mathcal{X}|} \sum_{i=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|} \sum_{j=1}^{|\mathcal{X}|} 2^{2r(i,j)-1} \frac{1}{\prod\limits_{\substack{r(i,j) \ n=1}}^{r(i,j)} \lambda_n(i,j)} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2}\right)^{-r(i,j)}$$

• generally loose bound but offers significant insight for code design

## Two criteria:

Rank criterion: The diversity gain of a ST code is given by

$$G_d = \min_{i,j}(r(i,j)) = \min_{i,j} \operatorname{rank} \left( (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^H (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) \right)$$

 $\rightarrow$  Design code such that minimum rank of all possible matrices  $(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^H (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)$  is maximized

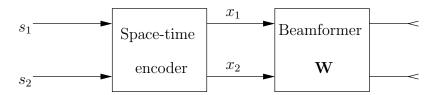
$$T \updownarrow \overset{\stackrel{N_T}{\longleftrightarrow}}{\mathbf{X}_i} \Rightarrow r(i,j) = N_T \qquad \forall i \neq j$$

**Determinant criterion:** To maximize the coding gain among all codes with  $r(i,j) = N_T$ , we need to maximize  $\max \min_{i,j} \prod_{n=1}^{N_T} \lambda_n(i,j) = \max \min_{i,j} \left| (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)^H (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) \right| \quad \forall i \neq j$ 

- Rank and determinant criterion can be used for the search for good space-time block codes and space-time trellis codes. These two criteria were first derived by Tarokh, et. al. 1998.
- diversity increases to  $N_T N_R$  if  $N_K$  receive antennas are available
- Example: see Bäro, Bauch, Hansmann: Improved codes for space-time trellis coded modulation. IEEE Comm. Letters, 2000.

## 2.4 Partial or Imperfect CSI at the Transmitter

- In practice, the CSI cannot be perfect. Channel estimation, quantization and noisy feedback channels introduce errors.
- If the system is optimized for perfect CSI (e.g. using MRT or EGT), the performance for imperfect CSI may be worse than for a system designed for no CSI(e.g. space-time coding)
- In this case, it is advantageous to use a hybrid approach and combine beamforming and space-time coding.



- W is the beamforming matrix which depends on the reliability of the CSI
- CSI is modeled as

$$\hat{h}_i = \rho h_i + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} e_i$$

where:

- $-\hat{h}_i$  is the CSI estimate
- $-\rho$  is the correlation between  $\hat{h}_i$  and  $h_i$

 $-e_i$  is the CSI error modeled as AWGN

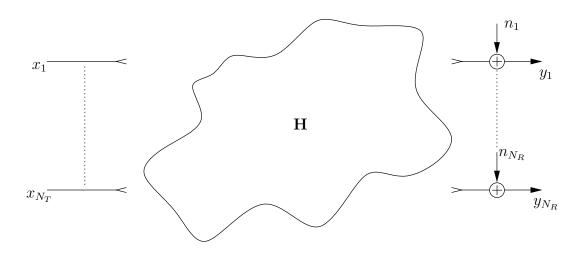
extreme cases:

- $-\rho = 0$ :  $\hat{h}_i$  independent of  $h_i \to \text{no CSI } (\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{I})$
- $-\rho = 1: \hat{h}_i = h_i \rightarrow \text{perfect CSI } (\mathbf{W} \text{ performs MRT})$
- W can be optimized under the assumptions for given  $\rho$  and  $\hat{h}_i$   $\rightarrow$  see for details: Jöngren, Skorglund and Ottersten: "Combining Beamforming and Orthogonal Space-time Block Coding", IEEE on IT, 2002.

# 3 MIMO Systems without CSI at the transmitter

- We consider  $N_T \times N_R$  MIMO system and assume that the channel matrix  ${\bf H}$  is not known at the transmitter
  - $\rightarrow$  no CSI at the transmitter (CSIT)
- signal model:

$$N_R \updownarrow \mathbf{y} = N_R \updownarrow \overset{N_T}{\longleftrightarrow} \mathbf{x} \updownarrow N_T + \mathbf{n} \updownarrow N_R$$



- $\bullet$   $x_n$  are  $M\text{-}\mathrm{ary}$  i.i.d. scalar symbols taken e.g from an  $M\text{-}\mathrm{PSK}$  or  $M\text{-}\mathrm{QAM}$  symbol alphabet  $\mathscr A$
- This scheme is often called "spatial multiplexing"
- We transmit  $N_T$  symbols per symbol interval  $\rightarrow$  rate  $R = \log_2(M) \cdot N_T$  for uncoded transmission
- $\bullet$  Problem: How to detect  $\mathbf{x}$  at the receiver considering
  - performance
  - complexity

#### 3.1 **Optimum Detection**

- Elements of **n** are gaussian random variables with variance  $\sigma_n^2$
- H is known at the receiver

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\pi^{N_R} \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_{N_R \times N_R}} \exp\left(-(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x})^H (\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_{N_R \times N_R})^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x})\right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi^{N_R} \sigma_n^{2N_R}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\mathbf{H}||^2\right)$$

• ML-Detection

$$\hat{x} = \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathscr{A}^{N_T}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\mathbf{H}||^2 = \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathscr{A}^{N_T}}{\operatorname{argmax}} \quad p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$$

- $\rightarrow M^{N_T}$  metric calculations  $\rightarrow$  complexity is exponential in  $N_T!!$
- $\rightarrow$  in general too complex in practice
- Performance
  - consider worst case pairwise error probability (PEP) to evaluate diversity gain
  - PEP  $\rightarrow x_i$  is transmitted but  $x_i \neq x_i$  is detected this happens if  $||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_i||^2 > ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}_j||^2$   $\rightarrow ||\mathbf{n}||^2 > ||\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) + \mathbf{n}||^2$
  - the "worst case" is if  $\mathbf{x}_i$  &  $\mathbf{x}_j$  differ only in one element *i.e.*,

$$\mathbf{x}_{i} - \mathbf{x}_{j} = (x_{ni} - x_{nj}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{``1'' in position } n$$

where 
$$\mathbf{x}_i = [x_{1i}, x_{2i}, \dots, x_{N_T i}]$$

$$- ||\mathbf{n}||^2 > || \underbrace{\mathbf{h}_n}_{n \text{th column of } \mathbf{H}} \underbrace{(x_{ni} - x_{nj})}_{\Delta x_n(i,j)} + \mathbf{n}||^2$$

$$- ||\mathbf{n}||^2 > \mathbf{h}_n^H \mathbf{n} \Delta x_n^*(i,j) + \mathbf{n}^H \mathbf{h}_n \Delta x_n(i,j) + ||\mathbf{n}||^2 + ||\mathbf{h}_n||^2 - |\Delta x_n(i,j)|^2$$

$$||\mathbf{h}_n||^2 |\Delta x_n(i,j)|^2 < \underbrace{-\mathbf{h}_n^H \mathbf{n} \Delta x_n(i,j) - \mathbf{n}^H \mathbf{h}_n \Delta x_n(i,j)}_{\text{Gaussian random variable with variance } \sigma_{eq}^2 = 2\sigma_n^2 |\Delta x_n(i,j)|^2 ||\mathbf{h}_n||^2}$$

- 
$$\Pr{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j || \mathbf{H}} = Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{||\mathbf{h}_n||^2 |\Delta x_n(i,j)|^2}{2\sigma_n^2}}\right)$$

 $- \Pr\{\mathbf{x}_i \to \mathbf{x}_j\} = \mathcal{E}\left\{Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{||\mathbf{h}_n||^2|\Delta x_n(i,j)|^2}{2\sigma_n^2}}\right)\right\}$  \to use same approach as for space-time code design to get diversity order or: SNR is

$$\gamma_t = \frac{||\mathbf{h}_n||^2 |\Delta x_n(i,j)|^2}{2\sigma_n^2} = \frac{|\Delta x_n(i,j)|^2}{2\sigma_n^2} (|h_{1n}|^2 + |h_{2n}^2 + \dots + |h_{N_R n}|^2)$$

- same form as SNR of MRC with  $N_R$  receive antennas
- diversity gain of spatial multiplexing wit ML-decoding is

$$G_d = N_R$$

- diversity of  $N_T$  transmit antennas is not exploited with spatial multiplexing
- to exploit this additional gain, coding across space is required (at the expense of rate)

(Hier gehören die detection performance kurven für BPSK hin)

#### 3.2 **Linear Receivers**

- How can we avoid the complexity associated wit the joint detection of the elements of
- $\bullet$  Idea: Employ linear filter (matrix) to separate the elements of  $\mathbf{x}$
- Requires:  $N_T \leq N_R$
- We form

$$\mathbf{r} = N_T \updownarrow \overset{\stackrel{N_R}{\longleftarrow}}{\mathbf{F}} \mathbf{y} = [r_1, \dots, r_{N_T}]^T$$

where  $\mathbf{F}$  is the filter matrix and  $\mathbf{y}$  is the received vector

such that  $x_n$  can be obtained from

$$\hat{x}_n = \underset{x_n \in \mathscr{A}}{\operatorname{argmin}} |r_i - x_n|^2$$
 where  $\mathbf{F} \in \mathbb{C}^{N_T \times N_R}$ 

- ullet Two popular design criteria for  ${f F}$ 
  - Zero-forcing (ZF) criterion
  - minimum mean squared error (MMSE) crtiterion

#### 3.2.1 ZF Detection

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n}) = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{F}\mathbf{n}$$

 $ZF \leftrightarrow we require \mathbf{FH} = \mathbf{I}_{N_T \times N_T}$ 

• noise covariance matrix

$$\Phi_{ee} = \mathcal{E}\{\mathbf{F}\mathbf{n}(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{n})^H\} = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^H$$

- $N_T = N_R \to \mathbf{F}\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{I}_{N_T \times N_T} \to \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{H}^{-1}$  assuming  $\mathbf{H}$  is invertible
- $\rightarrow N_T \leq N_R \rightarrow$  which one of the many **F** that yield **FH** =  $\mathbf{I}_{N_T \times N_T}$ ?
- $\bullet$  choose **F** that leads to the smallest noise enhancement
- optimal **F** is the solution to the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{F}} \ \mathrm{tr} \{ \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^H \} \\ & \mathrm{s.t} \ \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{I}_{N_T \times N_T} \end{aligned}$$

the constraint is equivalent to  $\operatorname{tr}\{(\mathbf{FH} - \mathbf{I})(\mathbf{FH} - \mathbf{I})^H\} = 0$ 

Lagrangian:

$$L(\mathbf{F}) = \operatorname{tr}\{\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^H\} + \lambda \operatorname{tr}\{\mathbf{F} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{F} - \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H} - \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{F}^H + \mathbf{I}\}$$
$$= \sigma_n^2 \operatorname{tr}\{\mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^H\} + \lambda \operatorname{tr}\{\mathbf{F} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{F}^H\} - \lambda \operatorname{tr}\{\mathbf{F} \mathbf{H}\} - \lambda \operatorname{tr}\{\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{F}^H\} + \lambda N_T$$

• use rules for complex matrix differentiation in Table IV in paper by Hjörunges & Gesbert

$$\frac{\delta L(\mathbf{F})}{\delta \mathbf{F}^*} = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{F} + \lambda \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^H - \lambda \mathbf{H}^H = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{F} (\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I} + \lambda \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^H) = \lambda \mathbf{H}^H$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{F} = \lambda \mathbf{H}^H (\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I} + \lambda \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^H)^{-1}$$

use matrix inversion lemma

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{U}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{V})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{B}^{-1} + \mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{U})^{-1}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}^{-1}$$

• How to choose  $\lambda$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}\mathbf{H} &= \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{I} \\ \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} &= \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} \\ \Rightarrow \lambda \to \infty \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H})^{-1}$$
  $\hat{=}$  Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse

noise covariance:

$$\Phi_{ee} = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^H = \sigma_n^2 (\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H})^{-1} \underbrace{\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} (\mathbf{H} \mathbf{H})^{-1}}_{\mathbf{I}} = \sigma_n^2 (\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H})^{-1}$$

 $\Phi_{ee}$  is not in general a diagonal matrix

- effective noise **Fn** is spatially correlated
- "equalization of channel leads to coloring of noise
- Interpretation: we have

$$\mathbf{FHx} = egin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_1 \ \mathbf{f}_2 \ dots \ \mathbf{f}_{N_T} \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 & \mathbf{h}_2 & \dots & \mathbf{h}_{N_T} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$$

- $-\mathbf{f}_i\mathbf{h}_i = 1$   $\mathbf{f}_i\mathbf{h}_i = 0$   $\forall i \neq j$
- $\mathbf{f}_i^T$  is orthogonal to  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 & \dots \mathbf{h}_{i-1} & \mathbf{h}_{i+1} & \dots & \mathbf{h}_{N_T} \end{bmatrix} \updownarrow N_R$
- $\mathbf{f}_i^T$  is confined to an  $N_R (N_T 1)$  dimensional subspace of the  $N_R$  dimensional space spanned by  $\mathbf{H}$
- Diversity gain

- e.g. SISO model: 
$$r_i = \mathbf{f}_i \cdot \mathbf{h}_i \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{f}_i \cdot \mathbf{n}_i$$

$$\rightarrow \text{SNR}_{\text{eq}} = \frac{\epsilon_s |\mathbf{f}_i \mathbf{h}_i|^2}{\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{f}_i\|^2} = \frac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2} \left| \tilde{\mathbf{f}}_i \cdot \mathbf{h}_i \right|, \text{ where } \mathbf{f}_i = \alpha \mathbf{f}_i \text{ with } \|\tilde{\mathbf{f}}_i\|^2 = 1$$

we can represent  $\mathbf{f}_i$  as:  $\tilde{\mathbf{f}}_i^T = \alpha \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\beta}$ ,

where:  $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{C}^{N_R \times (N_R - N_T + 1)}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{C}^{(N_R - N_T + 1) \times 1}$   $\widehat{=}$  basis of subspace

$$\rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{f}}_i \mathbf{M}_i = \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{M}_i^T \mathbf{M}_i$$

where:  $\mathbf{M}^H \mathbf{M} = \tilde{\mathbf{M}}_i = \mathbf{I}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{M}}_i \to \mathcal{CN}(0, \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_{(N_P - N_T + 1)})$ 

(since rows of  $\mathbf{M}^T$  are orthogonal)

$$SNR_{eq} = \frac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2} \alpha^2 \left| \sum_{j=1}^{N_R - N_T + 1} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{ji} \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{ji} \right|^2; \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_i = (\tilde{h}_{1i}, \quad \tilde{h}_{2i}, \quad \dots, \quad \tilde{h}_{N_R - N_T + 1})^T$$
$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_i = (\beta_{1i}, \quad \dots, \quad \beta_{N_R - N_T + 1, i})^T$$

- $\rightarrow$  SNR<sub>eq</sub> includes only  $N_R N_T + 1$  independent Gaussian RV
- $\rightarrow$  diversity gain is limited to:  $G_d = N_R N_T + 1$

Example:

$$N_T = N_R = 3$$
  
 $G_d^{ZF} = 1$  but  $G_d^{ML} = N_R = 3$ 

 $\rightarrow$  huge performance loss because of linear ZF

#### 3.2.2 MMSE detection

- ZF criterion may be too strict and leads to noise enhancement
  - $\rightarrow$  maybe it is better to allow some interferences between signals but reduce noise enhancement
  - $\rightarrow$  What is the optimal trade-off between interference and noise?
  - $\rightarrow$  MMSE criterion
- MMSE criterion
  - error signal:  $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}$
  - total error variance:  $\sigma_e^2 = \mathcal{E}\{\|\mathbf{e}\|^2\} = \mathcal{E}\{\operatorname{tr}\{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^H\}\} = \operatorname{tr}\{\mathcal{E}\{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^H\}\} = \operatorname{tr}\{\Phi_{ee}\}$
  - $-\Phi_{ee}$ : error covariance matrix
  - optimal filter:  $\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{opt}} = \operatorname*{argmin}_{\mathbf{F}} \mathrm{tr}\{\Phi_{ee}\}$
- Deviation of  $\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{opt}}$

$$-\Phi_{ee} = \mathcal{E}\{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^H\} = \mathcal{E}\{(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x})(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x})^H\} = \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{\Phi}_{yy} \cdot \mathbf{F}^H - \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{\Phi}_{yx} - \mathbf{\Phi}_{xx} \cdot \mathbf{\Phi}_{xy} \cdot \mathbf{F}^H + \mathbf{\Phi}_{xx}$$
with:

$$\begin{split} & \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy} = \mathcal{E}\{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}^H\} = \mathcal{E}\{(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n})(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n})^H\} = \epsilon_s \cdot \mathbf{H}\mathbf{H}^H + \sigma_n^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}_{N_R \times N_T} \\ & \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yx} = \mathcal{E}\{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{x}^H\} = \mathcal{E}\{(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{x}^H\} = \epsilon_s \cdot \mathbf{H}^H = \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy}^H \\ & \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xx} = \epsilon_s \cdot \mathbf{I}_{N_T \times N_R} \end{split}$$

$$-\mathbf{F}_{\text{opt}} \rightarrow \frac{d}{d\mathbf{F}^*} \left( \text{tr} \{ \mathbf{F} \mathbf{\Phi}_{yy} \mathbf{F}^H \} - \text{tr} \{ \mathbf{F} \mathbf{\Phi}_{yx} \} - \text{tr} \{ \mathbf{\Phi}_{xy} \mathbf{F}^H \} + \text{tr} \{ \mathbf{\Phi}_{xx} \} \right) \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

with Table IV in paper by Hjoranges & Gesbert:

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{\Phi}_{yy} - \mathbf{\Phi}_{xy} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{F}_{opt} = \mathbf{\Phi}_{xy} \cdot \mathbf{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1} = \epsilon_s \mathbf{H}^H (\epsilon_s \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^H + \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I})^{-1}$$

$$= (\text{Matrix inversion Lemma}) =$$

$$= (\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\epsilon_n} \mathbf{I})^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{H}^H$$

- Comparison:

$$\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{MMSE}} = \left(\mathbf{H}^{H}\mathbf{H} + \frac{\sigma_{n}^{2}}{\epsilon_{s}}\mathbf{I}\right)^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{H}^{H} \xrightarrow{\frac{\sigma_{n}^{2} \to 0}{\epsilon}} \left(\mathbf{H}^{H} \cdot \mathbf{H}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{H}^{H} = \mathbf{F}_{ZF}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\frac{\sigma_{n}^{2} \to \infty}{\epsilon_{s}} \to \infty} \frac{\epsilon_{s}}{\sigma_{n}^{2}} \cdot \mathbf{H}^{H} = \mathbf{F}_{MF} \quad \widehat{=} \text{matched filter}$$

- $\Rightarrow$  For high SNR,  $\frac{\epsilon_s}{\sigma_n^2}$ , the MMSE filter approaches the ZF-Filter, for low SNR, it approaches the matched filter.
  - $\rightarrow$  MMSE receiver yields the same diversity gain as the ZF receiver

$$G_d^{MMSE} = G_d^{ZF} = N_R - N_T + 1 \le G_d^{ML} = N_R$$

- End-to-End Channel:  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{H} = \left(\mathbf{H}^H\mathbf{H} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\epsilon_s}\cdot\mathbf{I}\right)^{-1}\cdot\mathbf{H}^H\cdot\mathbf{H} \neq \text{diagonal matrix}$ 
  - $\Rightarrow$  crosstalk/interference between elements  $\mathbf{x}$  in received signal after filtering  $\mathbf{r}$ . elements of  $\mathbf{K}: K_{l,n}$
- Covariance for  $\mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{opt}}$

$$\begin{split} & \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{ee} = \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy} \cdot \overbrace{\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}}^{\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy}^{H} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yx} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy}^{H} + \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xx} \\ & = \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xx} - \overbrace{\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}}^{\mathbf{F}_{opt}} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yx} \\ & = \epsilon_{s} \mathbf{I} - \epsilon_{s} \left( \mathbf{H}^{H} \mathbf{H} + \frac{\sigma_{n}^{2}}{\epsilon_{s}} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{H}^{H} \mathbf{H} = (\text{Matrix inversion Lemma}) \\ & = \sigma_{n}^{2} \left( \mathbf{H}^{H} \mathbf{H} + \frac{\sigma_{n}^{2}}{\epsilon_{s}} \cdot \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} \\ & \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{ee} = \epsilon_{s} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}) \end{split}$$

 $\rightarrow 0 \le K_{m,m} \le 1$  since main diagonal elements of  $\Phi_{ee}$  are  $0 \le [\Phi_{ee}]_{m,m} \le \epsilon_s$  siehe auch Abbildung 1

## 3.2.3 SNR (biased vs. unbiased)

## a) biased SNR

$$SNR_{bias,m} = \frac{\epsilon_s}{[\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{ee}]_{mm}} = \frac{\epsilon_s}{\epsilon_s (1 - K_{mm})} = \frac{1}{1 - K_{mm}}, \quad 1 \le m \le 4$$

Anmerkung:  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{opt}} \cdot \mathbf{H} \to \mathrm{SNR} = 1 \; falls \; \mathbf{K} = \mathrm{zeros}() \Rightarrow \text{woher SNR} = 1 \; bei \; keiner \; Uebertragung? <math>\Rightarrow nicht \; vorteilhaft: \; siehe: \; b) \; unbiased \; SNR \; but:$ 

•  $SNR_{bias,m}$  does not represent the actual SNR since the main diagonal elements of  ${\bf K}$  are smaller than 1

$$\bullet \ \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{FHx} + \mathbf{Fn} = \mathbf{Kx} + \underbrace{\mathbf{Fn}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{n}} = [\tilde{n}_1, \dots, \tilde{n}_{N_T}]^T}$$

• 
$$r_m = \underbrace{K_{mm}}_{<1} x_m + \sum_{\substack{n=1\\n\neq m}}^{N_T} K_{mn} x_n + \tilde{n}_m$$

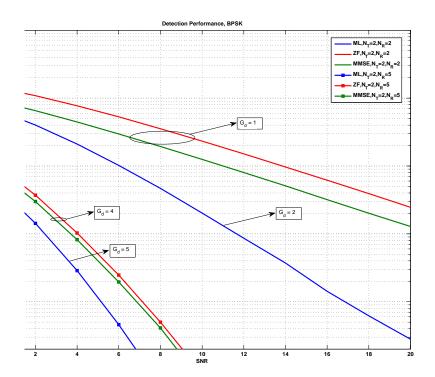


Figure 1: MMSE

## b) unbiased SNR

• remove bias: 
$$r_m' = \frac{r_m}{K_{mm}} = x_m + \underbrace{\frac{\tilde{e}_m}{K_{mm}}}_{e_m'}$$

- SNR?
- scaling matrix:  $\mathbf{C} = \text{diag}\left\{\frac{1}{K_{11}}, \frac{1}{K_{22}}, \dots, \frac{1}{K_{N_T N_T}}\right\}$

• 
$$\mathbf{r}' = \mathbf{Cr} \rightarrow \mathbf{e}' = [e'_1, \dots, e'_{N_T}]^T = \mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Cr} - \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{CFy} - \mathbf{x}$$

$$\bullet \ \ \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{e'e'} = \mathcal{E}\Big\{ \big(\mathbf{CFy} - \mathbf{x}\big) \big(\mathbf{CFy} - \mathbf{x}\big)^H \Big\} = \mathbf{CF}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}\mathbf{F}^H\mathbf{C}^H - \mathbf{CF}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yx} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy}\mathbf{F}^H\mathbf{C}^H + \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xx}$$

• 
$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{opt}} \to \mathbf{F}_{\mathrm{opt}} \mathbf{\Phi}_{yy} = \mathbf{\Phi}_{xy} = \epsilon_s \cdot \mathbf{H}^H$$

Anmerkung: nur Hauptdiagonalelemente interessieren, da diese die Varianz darstellen

$$\rightarrow$$
 maindiagonal elements of  $\Phi_{e'e'}$  = variances of  $e'_m = \epsilon_s \left(1 + \left(\frac{1}{K_{mm}} - 1\right)K_{mm}\frac{1}{K_{mm}} - \frac{1}{K_{mm}}K_{mm}\right) = \epsilon_s \frac{1 - K_{mm}}{K_{mm}}$ 

 $\rightarrow\,$ vgl. Abbildung 1

$$\rightarrow SNR_{unbiased} = \frac{E_s}{[\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{e'e'}]_{mm}} = \frac{E_s}{E_s} \frac{1 - K_{mm}}{K_{mm}} = \frac{K_{mm}}{1 - K_{mm}}, \quad 1 \leq m \leq N_T$$

 $\rightarrow$  the SNR after bias removal is by "1" smaller than the biased SNR  $\rightarrow$  general result valid for any type of MMSE estimation

## 3.3 Decision - Feadback Equalization (Detection)

- Also known as:
  - BLAST (Bell Laboratories space-time system)
  - successive interference cancellation
- Problem of linear receiver: Noise enhancement because of linear filtering → nonlinear filtering processing necessary

#### 3.3.1 Basic Idea

- Recall (linear filter):  $\mathbf{FH} = \mathbf{I}$  for linear ZF receiver  $\to i$ th row of  $\mathbf{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{f}_i$ , is orthogonal to the jth column of  $\mathbf{H}$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_i$ , if  $i \neq j$  (if i = j: inner product = 1)
- we can detect  $x_i$ , based on  $r_i = \mathbf{f}_i \mathbf{y}$
- Once we have detected  $x_i$ , we can substract its contribution from  $\mathbf{y}$ :  $\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{y} \mathbf{h}_i \hat{x}_i$  ( $\hat{x}_i$  is detected symbol, we assume for now,  $\hat{x}_i = x_i$ )
- $\mathbf{y}_1$  can be expressed as  $\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{n}$  where

$$\mathbf{H}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1, \dots, \mathbf{h}_{i-1}, \mathbf{h}_{i+1}, \dots, \mathbf{h}_{N_T} \end{bmatrix}$$
  
$$\mathbf{x}_i = \begin{bmatrix} x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{N_T} \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\rightarrow$  we have reduced the number of signal streams to  $N_T 1$  ( $N_R$  bleibt gleich)
- apply now linear ZF filter for symbol to detected next, e.g.  $x_j$ , where  $j \in \{1, \ldots, i-1, i+1, \ldots, N_T\}$
- $\rightarrow$   $\mathbf{r}_j = \mathbf{f}_j \mathbf{y}_1$  where  $\mathbf{f}_j$  is the ZF filter for  $\mathbf{H}_1$
- substract contribution of  $x_j$  from  $\mathbf{y}_1$ :  $\mathbf{y}_2 = \mathbf{y}_1 \mathbf{h}_j x_j$
- substract until last symbol is detected
- Blockdiagram see figure2
- Observations:
  - The order in which the  $x_1$  are detected can be freely chosen and effects the performance  $\to N_T!$  possible orders  $\to$  cannot explore all of them
  - Practical approach: Select in each step that  $x_i$  for which the noise variance enhancement is minimum, i.e. which has the smallest  $\mathcal{E}\{|\mathbf{f}_i\mathbf{n}|^2\} = \sigma_n^2 ||\mathbf{f}_i||^2$

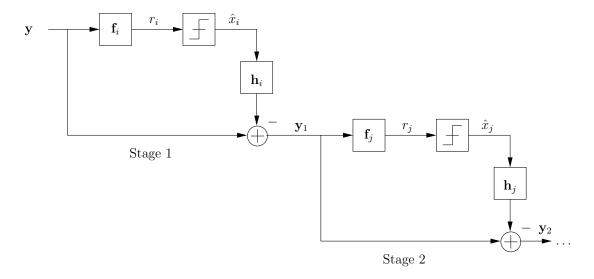


Figure 2: DFE Blockdiagram

 $\bullet\,$  Diversity order:

- stage 1: 
$$G_d^1 = N_R - N_T + 1$$
  
- stage 2:  $G_d^2 = G_d^1 + 1 = N_R - N_T + 2$   
:

- stage  $N_T$ :  $G_d^{N_T} = N_R$
- overall:  $\underline{G_d = N_R N_T + 1}$
- (Anmerkung: der schlechteste Fall dominiert (Stage 1), weitere koennen nur schwer beeinflussen)

## 3.3.2 ZF - DFE - Matrix Model

- Signal model:  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n} = \underbrace{\mathbf{H}\mathbf{P}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{H}}} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{x}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} + \mathbf{n}$  with permutation matrix  $\mathbf{P}$
- $\bullet$   $\, {\bf P}$  has one "1" per column and row, all other elements are "0"
- $\rightarrow$  can change the detection order to maximize performance
- note:  $\mathbf{P}^T = \mathbf{P}^{-1}$

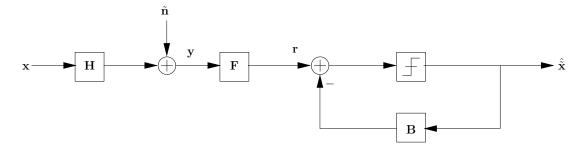


Figure 3: ZF-DFE Matrix Model

• Example:

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} [r] \to \mathbf{P}^{-1} = \mathbf{P}^{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{P}^{T} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{1} \\ x_{2} \\ x_{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{2} \\ x_{3} \\ x_{1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Blockdiagram see figure 3
- DFE Filters:
  - **F** feedworward filter
  - B feedback filter
- Filter calculation
  - Cholesky factorization:  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \mathbf{L}^H \mathbf{D} \mathbf{L}$  with diagonal matrix  $\mathbf{D}$  and lower triangular matrix  $\mathbf{L}$  (maindiagonal elements of  $\mathbf{L}$  are "1")

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \ddots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{L}^{-H} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{H}$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{y} = \underbrace{\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{L}^{-H}\underbrace{\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{H}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}}_{\mathbf{L}^{H}\mathbf{DL}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{L}^{-H}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{H}\mathbf{n}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{n}}}$$

 $-\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{L} - \mathbf{I} = \text{lower triangular matrix with maindiagonal elements "0"}$ 

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{21} & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Interpretation:
  - after feedforward filter

$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{x}_{N_T} \end{bmatrix} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}}$$

• from feedback filter

$$\tilde{\mathbf{r}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{21} & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 0 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{x}_{N_T} \end{bmatrix} \hat{x}_n : \text{ decision on } \tilde{x}_n$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{r} - \tilde{\mathbf{r}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 + 0 \\ l_{21}(\tilde{x}_1 - \hat{x}_1) + \tilde{x}_2 + 0 \\ l_{31}(\tilde{x}_1 - \hat{x}_2) + l_{32}(\tilde{x}_2 - \hat{x}_2) + \tilde{x}_3 + 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}}$$

## MMSE-DFE

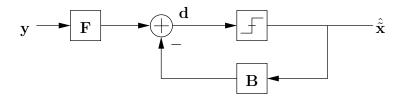


Figure 4: MMSE-DFE Blockdiagram

•  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{L} - \mathbf{I}$  has to be lower triangular matrx with all-zero main diagonal elements because of causality.

 $\bullet \ \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{B}\hat{\hat{\mathbf{x}}} \quad \to \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{d} - \hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{y} - \underbrace{(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{I})}_{\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{t}}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ 

where we assume  $\hat{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  for filter optimization

• Optimal F for given L

$$\sigma_e^2 = \operatorname{tr}\left\{\underbrace{\mathcal{E}\{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^H\}}_{\Phi_{xx}}\right\} = \operatorname{tr}\left\{\mathbf{F}\mathbf{\Phi}_{yy}\mathbf{F}^H\right\} - \operatorname{tr}\left\{\mathbf{F}\mathbf{\Phi}_{y\tilde{x}}\mathbf{L}^H\right\} - \operatorname{tr}\left\{\mathbf{L}\mathbf{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y}\mathbf{F}^H\right\} + \operatorname{tr}\left\{\mathbf{L}\mathbf{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}\tilde{x}}\mathbf{L}^H\right\}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta \mathbf{F}^*} \sigma_e^2 = \mathbf{F} \mathbf{\Phi}_{yy} - \mathbf{L} \mathbf{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y} \mathbf{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}$$

where

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy} &= \mathcal{E}_s ilde{\mathbf{H}} ilde{\mathbf{H}}^H + \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I} \ oldsymbol{\Phi}_{ ilde{x} : :} &\equiv \mathcal{E}_s ilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{H}(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{h} + \frac{\sigma_{n}^{2}}{\mathcal{E}_{s}}\mathbf{I})^{-1} = \mathbf{L}(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{H}\tilde{\mathbf{H}} + \frac{\sigma_{n}^{2}}{\mathcal{E}_{s}}\mathbf{I})^{-1}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{H}$$

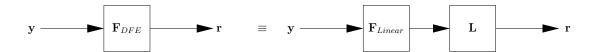


Figure 5: MMSE-DFE Equivalence

• Optimal L:

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{ee} &= \mathbf{L}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y}^{H}\mathbf{L}^{H} - \mathbf{L}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{xy}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yz}\mathbf{L}^{H} - \mathbf{L}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y}^{H}\mathbf{H}^{H} + \mathbf{L}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}\tilde{x}}\mathbf{L}^{H} \\ &= \mathbf{L}(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}\tilde{x}} - \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{yy}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\tilde{x}y}^{H})\mathbf{L}^{H} \end{split}$$

= MMSE covariance matrix for a linear MMSE filter

$$ightarrow \Phi_{ee} = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{L} (\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \tilde{\mathbf{H}} + rac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_c} \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{L}^H$$

- $\rightarrow$  need lower triangular matrix  ${\bf L}$  which minimizes  ${\rm tr}\{{\bf \Phi}_{ee}\}$
- $\rightarrow$  the optimum **L** whitenes  $\Phi_{ee} \rightarrow \Phi_{ee}$  becomes diagonal matrix i.e. **L** exploits the correlation after linear MMSE filtering to reduce noise variance!
- ightarrow L is obtained via Cholesky factorization

$$ilde{\mathbf{H}}^H ilde{\mathbf{H}} + rac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{L}^H$$

$$\rightarrow \; \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{ee} = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{L} (\mathbf{L} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{L}^H)^{-1} \mathbf{L} = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{L} \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{D}^{-1} \mathbf{L}^{-H} \mathbf{L} = \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{D}^{-1} \widehat{=} \; \mathrm{diagonal \; matrix}$$

• Summary of MMSE calculation

- 
$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{L} - \mathbf{I}$$
 where  $\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{L}^H$ 
-  $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{L} \underbrace{(\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{I})^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}}_{\mathbf{F}_{L,i}}$ 

- L is a prediction error filter, which whitenes the error signal e

- SNR:

$$\mathbf{D} = \operatorname{diag}\{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_{N_T}\}$$

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_{ee} = \operatorname{diag}\{\frac{\sigma_n^2}{\xi_1}, \dots, \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\xi_{N_T}}\}$$

- end-to-end channel

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{K} &= \mathbf{F}\tilde{\mathbf{H}} \\ &= \underbrace{\mathbf{L}(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \tilde{\mathbf{H}} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{L}^H}_{\mathbf{L}^{-H} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \tilde{\mathbf{H}}} \mathbf{L}^{-H} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \tilde{\mathbf{H}} \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \mathbf{\Phi}_{ee}}_{\mathbf{L}^{-H}} (\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \tilde{\mathbf{H}} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{I} - \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{L} \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} [\mathbf{L}^{-H} (\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^H \tilde{\mathbf{H}} + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{L} - \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{L}^{-H}]}_{\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{\Phi}_{ee}^{-1}} \\ &= \mathbf{L} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{\mathcal{E}_s} \mathbf{\Phi}_{ee} \mathbf{L}^{-H}}_{\mathbf{E}_s} \end{split}$$

 $\rightarrow$  main diagonal of **K**:

$$K_{mm} = 1 - \frac{\sigma_n^2}{\mathcal{E}_s \xi_m} < 1$$

- biased SNR

$$SNR_{m,bias} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_S}{[\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{ee}]_{mm}} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_s}{\sigma_n^2} \xi_m = \frac{1}{1 - K_{mm}}, \quad 1 \leq m \leq N_T$$

- unbiased SNR

$$SNR_{m,unbiased} = SNR_{m,bias} - 1 = \frac{1}{1 - K_{mm}} - 1 = \frac{K_{mm}}{1 - K_{mm}}, \quad 1 \le m \le N_T$$

## 3.3.3 Sphere Decoding

• Linear and DFE receivers cannot approach performance of ML-detector

- ML-detector:  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \underset{\mathbf{x} \in A^{N_T}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\mathbf{y} \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}||^2$
- $\rightarrow$  high complexity for brute force search

## Main Idea

- can we search ML metric in a "smarter" way, akin to the smart search of the viterbi algorithm for problems with a trellis structure
- we need to find a way to prune/dismiss non-ML sequences/vectores early on
- $\rightarrow$  this is accomplished by sphere decoding

**Step 1** Bring metric into a suitable form:

- real representation:  $||\mathbf{y} \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}||^2 = ||\tilde{\mathbf{y}} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2$
- where:

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\mathbf{y}} &= \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{y}^T\} & \operatorname{Im}\{\mathbf{y}^T\} \end{bmatrix}^T \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}} &= \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{x}^T\} & \operatorname{Im}\{\mathbf{x}^T\} \end{bmatrix}^T \\ \tilde{\mathbf{H}} &= \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{H}\} & -\operatorname{Im}\{\mathbf{H}\} \\ \operatorname{Im}\{\mathbf{H}\} & \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{H}\} \end{bmatrix}^T \end{split}$$

- $\rightarrow$  QAM:  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  defines points in an  $2N_T$  dimensional lattice
- QL decomposition:  $\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \mathbf{QL}$  with
  - orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N_T \times 2N_T}$ ;  $\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T = \mathbf{I}$
  - and lower triangular matrix  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N_T \times 2N_T}$

$$\begin{split} ||\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2 &= ||\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T(\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{x}})||^2 + ||(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T)(\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{x}})||^2 \\ &= ||\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{Q}^T\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{x}})||^2 + ||(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T)\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \underbrace{(\mathbf{Q} - \mathbf{Q})}_{=0}\mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2 \\ &= ||\mathbf{Q}^T\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2 + \underbrace{||(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T)\tilde{\mathbf{y}}||^2}_{\text{unabhängig von }\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} \end{split}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \ \, \mathop{\rm argmin}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in A^{2N_T}} ||\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \tilde{\mathbf{H}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2 = \mathop{\rm argmin}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in A^{2N_T}} ||\underbrace{\mathbf{Q}^T \tilde{\mathbf{y}}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} - \mathbf{L} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2 \\ \text{ where } A^{2N_T} \text{ contains all } M^{N_T} \text{ possible vectors } \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \end{array}$$

- Observation:
  - with

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} l_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ l_{21} & l_{22} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ l_{2N_T 1} & \cdots & l_{2N_T 2N_T} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{y}_1 & \cdots & \bar{y}_{2N_T} \end{bmatrix}^T; \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 & \cdots & \tilde{x}_{2N_T} \end{bmatrix}$$

- we have

$$||\bar{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{L}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2 = (\bar{y} - l_{11}\tilde{x}_1)^2 + (\bar{y}_2 - l_{21}\tilde{x}_1 - l_{22}\tilde{x}_2)^2 + (\bar{y}_3 - l_{31}\tilde{x}_1 - l_{32}\tilde{x}_2 - l_{33}\tilde{x}_3)^2 + \dots$$
(1)

 $\rightarrow$  the *n*-th term in the above sum contains only  $\tilde{x}_1, \tilde{x}_2, \dots, \tilde{x}_n$ 

## $\textbf{Step 2} \quad \mathrm{Sphere \ decoding \ algorithm}$

#### Define:

$$d(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) = \sum_{n=1}^{2N_T} f_n(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n) \; ; \quad \text{with } f_n(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n) = \left(\bar{y}_n - \sum_{i=1}^n l_{ni}\tilde{x}_i\right)^2 \; ; \quad \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_n = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 & \dots & \tilde{x}_n \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$d_n(\tilde{x}_n) = \sum_{m=1}^n f_n(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_m)$$

#### Main Idea:

- Assume we know that  $d(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \leq R$  holds for some  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ , where R is the so called "sphere radius"  $\to$  any  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  with  $d(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \geq R$  cannot be the ML solution and can be discarded
- since  $d_{n+1}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_n, \tilde{x}_{n+1}) \geq d_n(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_n)$ , we can easily discard  $\mathbf{x}'_n$  and all possible  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_n & \tilde{x}_{n+1} & \tilde{x}_{n+2} & \dots & \tilde{x}_{2N_T} \end{bmatrix}^T$  if we find  $d_n(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_n) > R$   $\Rightarrow$  we can exclude many possible vectors  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  without evaluating any metrics for them
- How to find a suitable R?
  - Initial R:  $R = d(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{subopt}})$  where  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{subopt}}$  was obtained with some suboptimum receiver
  - R is updated as  $R = R_{\text{new}} = d(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{cand}})$  where  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{cand}}$  is an  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  which yields  $d(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{cand}}) < R_{\text{old}} = R$
- Use tree structure to represent all possible  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$

## Example: BPSK = 2, $N_T = 2$

- Assume  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\text{subopt}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$  $\Rightarrow d(\tilde{x}_{\text{subopt}} = 1 + 2 + 2 + 2 = 7 = R$
- For  $\tilde{x}_1 = 1$  we find  $d_2(1,1) = 5 + 3 = 8 > R$  and d(1,-1) = 5 + 4 > R $\Rightarrow$  we don't have to calculate metrics for remaining branches, i.e., for nodes  $19, \ldots, 31$
- For  $\tilde{x}_1 = -1$  and  $\tilde{x}_2 = 1$ , we find that  $d_3(-1, 1, -1) = 8 > R$  and  $d_3(-1, 1, 1) = 9 > R$  $\Rightarrow$  remaining branches emerging from nodes 6 and 7 can be discarded
- For the ML solution we find d(-1, -1, 1, -1) = 5 < R
- Different strategies exist, regarding in which order the nodes in the tree (points in the lattice) are investigated
  - Pohst strategy
  - Schnoir Enchner strategy
  - rich literature on lattice decoding algorithms