

#### 233 Project 1 Overview

# Hybrid Digital and Analog Beamforming Design for Large-Scale Antenna Arrays

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# What the paper discussed



## Authors present algorithms for hybrid MIMO precoding/combining

- Iterative algorithms for optimization
- Aim for optimal precoding/combining (fully digital array solution)
- Simple adjustment to handle PS quantization

#### Three scenarios depicted:

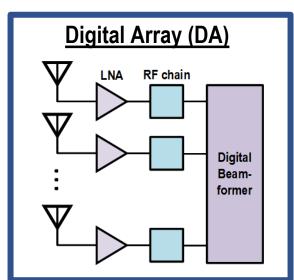
- 1. Large number of streams  $(N^{RF} \ge 2d)$  Proof of optimal performance
- 2. Point-to-point SU-MIMO  $(N^{RF} < 2d)$  Simulated near-optimal sum rate
- 3. MU-MISO  $(N^{RF} < 2d)$  Simulated near-optimal sum rate
- Simulated performance with PS quantization close to optimal (exhaustive search)

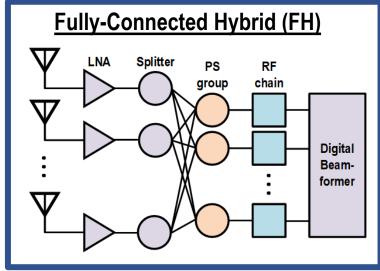


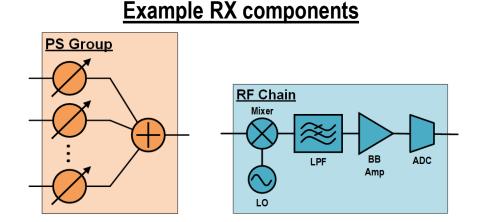
## **Motivation**



- Hybrid antenna arrays can reduce power consumption and cost
- Analog processing limits MIMO precoding/combining
  - Phase-only weights for the analog stages = sub-optimal solutions
  - Traditional MIMO algorithms designed for fully digital arrays



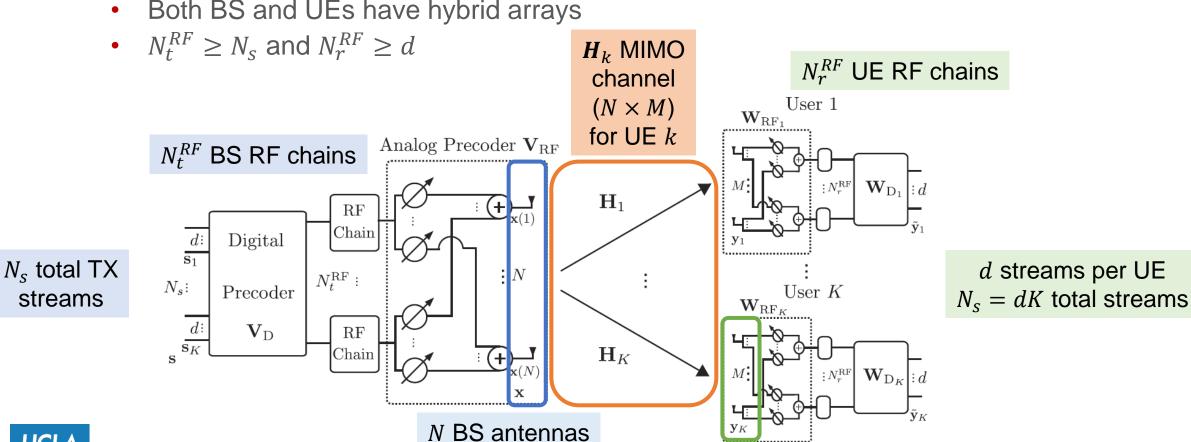




# System Model Block Diagram



- Multi-user (MU) MIMO downlink:
  - Base station (BS) transmitting to *K* users (UEs)
  - Both BS and UEs have hybrid arrays



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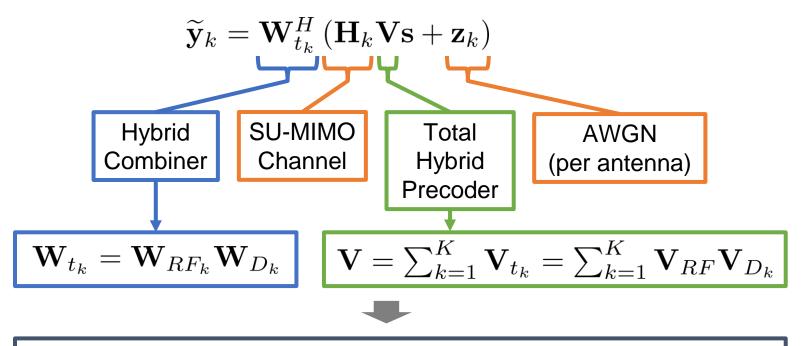
streams

M UE antennas

# **System Model Equations**



#### **General MU-MIMO downlink received symbols**



$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\mathbf{y}}_k &= \mathbf{W}_{t_k}^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{V}_{t_k} \mathbf{s}_k + \mathbf{W}_{t_k}^H \mathbf{H}_k \sum_{\ell \neq k} \mathbf{V}_{t_\ell} \mathbf{s}_\ell + \mathbf{W}_{t_k}^H \mathbf{z}_k \\ \text{Desired} & \text{Inter-user} & \text{Spatially-correlated} \\ \text{Signals} & \text{Interference} & \text{Noise} \end{split}$$

#### **Transmitted symbols**

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{V}_{t_k}\mathbf{s}_k + \sum_{\ell 
eq k} \mathbf{V}_{t_\ell}\mathbf{s}_\ell$$

Variable	Dimension
$\widetilde{\mathbf{y}}_k$	$N_{\scriptscriptstyle S}$
$\mathbf{W}_{RF_k}$	$N_s \times N_t^{RF}$
$\mathbf{W}_{D_k}$	$N_t^{RF} \times N$
$\mathbf{H}_k$	$N \times M$
$\mathbf{V}_{RF}$	$M \times N_r^{RF}$
$\mathbf{V}_{D_k}$	$N_t^{RF} \times d$
$\mathbf{s}_k$	d
$\mathbf{z}_k$	N

# **Mathematical Objective**



#### Rate (spectral efficiency) for user k:

$$R_k = \log_2 \left| \mathbf{I}_M + \mathbf{W}_{t_k} \mathbf{C}_k^{-1} \mathbf{W}_{t_k}^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{V}_{t_k} \mathbf{V}_{t_k}^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \right|$$

Inter-user interference + noise covariance

$$\mathbf{C}_k = \mathbf{W}_{t_k}^H \mathbf{H}_k \left( \sum_{\ell \neq k} \mathbf{V}_{t_\ell} \mathbf{V}_{t_\ell}^H \right) \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{W}_{t_k} + \sigma^2 \mathbf{W}_{t_k}^H \mathbf{W}_{t_k}$$

#### Optimization problem:

$$\max_{\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}},\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{D}},\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{RF}},\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{D}}}$$

$$\sum_{k=1} \beta_k R_k$$

subject to

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{D}}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{D}}^{H}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{H}) \leq P$$

$$|\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}(i,j)|^2 = 1, \forall i, j$$

$$|\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{RF}_k}(i,j)|^2 = 1, \forall i, j, k,$$

Sum-rate weighted by user priority  $\beta_k$ 

Total power constraint *P* 

Analog hardware constraints



# **Project Requirement**



## Solve the problem for single-user case:

- Implement hybrid precoding and combining algorithms (SU case only)
- Implement quantized design algorithm of analog precoder (SU case only)
- Explore the case when you have more RF chains than the number of stream

#### Optimization problem:

Spectral efficiency for single user case:

$$R = \log_2 \left| \mathbf{I}_M + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{W}_t (\mathbf{W}_t^H \mathbf{W}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{W}_t^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{V}_t \mathbf{V}_t^H \mathbf{H}^H \right|. \quad (8)$$
where  $\mathbf{V}_t = \mathbf{V}_{RF} \mathbf{V}_D$  and  $\mathbf{W}_t = \mathbf{W}_{RF} \mathbf{W}_D$ .

Geometric channel model:

$$\mathbf{H}_k = \sqrt{\frac{NM}{L}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \alpha_k^{\ell} \mathbf{a}_r(\phi_{r_k}^{\ell}) \mathbf{a}_t(\phi_{t_k}^{\ell})^H, \tag{33}$$



# Point-to-Point SU-MIMO ( $N^{RF} < 2d$ )



#### Nested joint optimization problem:

• Optimizing 4 total matrices  $(V_{RF}, V_D, W_{RF}, W_D)$ 

#### Two stage procedure overall:

- Initially assume a fixed optimal combiner structure
- 1. Design the precoders
- 2. Design the combiners using the computed precoders

### Precoders and combiners are each designed in two stages as well:

- Initially assume a fixed digital precoder/combiner structure
- Iteratively solve for the RF precoder/combiner
- 2. Solve for the optimal digital precoder/combiner



## **Iterative Analog Precoder Design**



- Iteratively maximize the contribution of the j<sup>th</sup> column to the rate
  - Note:  $\overline{V}_{RF}^{j}$  is  $V_{RF}$  with the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column removed
- Combiner design similar:  $\gamma^2 \to \frac{1}{M}$  and  $F_1 \to F_2 = HV_tV_t^HH^H$

#### **Parameters**

 $F_1 = H^H H = Channel covariance matrix$ 

 $\gamma^2$  = Average power per antenna

 $\sigma^2$  = Noise variance (per antenna)

#### Solve simplified optimization problem:

$$\max_{\mathbf{V}_{RF}} \quad \log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{\gamma^2}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{V}_{RF}^H \mathbf{F}_1 \mathbf{V}_{RF} \right| \tag{12a}$$

s.t. 
$$|\mathbf{V}_{RF}(i,j)|^2 = 1, \forall i, j,$$
 (12b)

#### **Algorithm 1.** Design of $V_{\rm RF}$ by solving (12)

Given:  $\mathbf{F}_1, \gamma^2, \sigma^2$ 

1: Initialize  $V_{RF} = \mathbf{1}_{N \times N^{RF}}$ .

2: for  $j=1 \rightarrow N^{\mathrm{RF}}$ do

3: Calculate  $\mathbf{C}_j = \mathbf{I} + \frac{\gamma^2}{\sigma^2} (\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{RF}^j)^H \mathbf{F}_1 \bar{\mathbf{V}}_{RF}^j$ .

4: Calculate  $\mathbf{G}_j = \frac{\gamma^2}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{F}_1 - \frac{\gamma^4}{\sigma^4} \mathbf{F}_1 \bar{\mathbf{V}}_{RF}^j \mathbf{C}_j^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{RF}^j)^H \mathbf{F}_1$ .

5: **for**  $i = 1 \to N$ 

6: Find  $\eta_{ij} = \sum_{\ell \neq i} \mathbf{G}_j(i,\ell) \mathbf{V}_{RF}(\ell,j)$ .

7:  $\mathbf{V}_{RF}(i,j) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \eta_{ij} = 0, \\ \frac{\eta_{ij}}{|\eta_{ij}|}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ 

8: end for

9: end for

10: Check convergence. If yes, stop; if not go to Step 2.

Coordinate descent (greedy updates based on [34] [41])



## Point-to-Point SU-MIMO Algorithm



1. RF precoder  $(V_{RF})$ : Iterative optimization

2. Digital precoder  $(V_D)$ : Water-filling solution

3. RF combiner  $(W_{RF})$ : Iterative optimization

4. Digital combiner ( $W_D$ ): MMSE solution

**Algorithm 2.** Design of Hybrid Beamformers for Point-to-Point MIMO systems

Given:  $\sigma^2$ , P

- 1: Assuming  $\mathbf{V}_{D}\mathbf{V}_{D}^{H} = \gamma^{2}\mathbf{I}$  where  $\gamma = \sqrt{P/(NN^{\mathrm{RF}})}$ , find  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}$  by solving the problem in (12) using Algorithm 1.
- 2: Calculate  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{D}} = (\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}^H \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}})^{-1/2} \mathbf{U}_e \mathbf{\Gamma}_e$  where  $\mathbf{U}_e$  and  $\mathbf{\Gamma}_e$  are defined as following (11).
- 3: Find  $\mathbf{W}_{RF}$  by solving the problem in (16) using Algorithm 1.
- 4: Calculate  $\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{D}} = \mathbf{J}^{-1}\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{H}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{D}}$  where  $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{H}\mathbf{H}$  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{D}}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{D}}^{H}\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{H}\mathbf{H}^{H}\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{RF}} + \sigma^{2}\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{H}\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{RF}}$ .



# Phase Shifter (PS) Quantization



- Simple integrations into the algorithms
  - $n_{PS}$  possible phases (steps of  $\omega=e^{j2\pi/n_{PS}}$ ) for  $V_{RF}$  and  $W_{RF}\longrightarrow \mathcal{F}=\left\{1,\omega,\omega^2,...,\omega^{n_{PS}-1}\right\}$

#### **Algorithm 1.** Design of $V_{RF}$ by solving (12)

9: end for

Given:  $\mathbf{F}_{1}, \gamma^{2}, \sigma^{2}$ 1: Initialize  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}} = \mathbf{1}_{N \times N^{\mathrm{RF}}}$ .

2:  $\mathbf{for} \ j = 1 \rightarrow N^{\mathrm{RF}} \mathbf{do}$ 3: Calculate  $\mathbf{C}_{j} = \mathbf{I} + \frac{\gamma^{2}}{\sigma^{2}} (\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{j})^{H} \mathbf{F}_{1} \bar{\mathbf{V}}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{j}$ .

4: Calculate  $\mathbf{G}_{j} = \frac{\gamma^{2}}{\sigma^{2}} \mathbf{F}_{1} - \frac{\gamma^{4}}{\sigma^{4}} \mathbf{F}_{1} \bar{\mathbf{V}}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{j} \mathbf{C}_{j}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{V}}_{\mathrm{RF}}^{j})^{H} \mathbf{F}_{1}$ .

5:  $\mathbf{for} \ i = 1 \rightarrow N$ 6: Find  $\eta_{ij} = \sum_{\ell \neq i} \mathbf{G}_{j}(i,\ell) \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}(\ell,j)$ .

7:  $\mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{RF}}(i,j) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \eta_{ij} = 0, \\ \frac{\eta_{ij}}{|\eta_{ij}|}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$ 8:  $\mathbf{end} \ \mathbf{for}$ 

10: Check convergence. If yes, stop; if not go to Step 2.

#### **Quantized Version:**

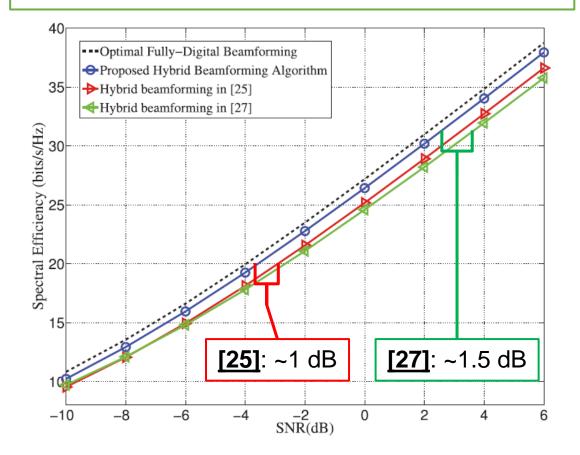
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}_{RF}\left(i,j\right) &= Q\left(\frac{\eta_{ij}}{|\eta_{ij}|}\right) \\ &= \underset{\mathbf{V}_{RF}\left(i,j\right) \in \mathcal{F}}{\arg\min} \left|\mathbf{V}_{RF}(i,j) - \frac{\eta_{ij}}{|\eta_{ij}|}\right|^{2} \end{aligned}$$

# Simulation Results (Perfect PS)

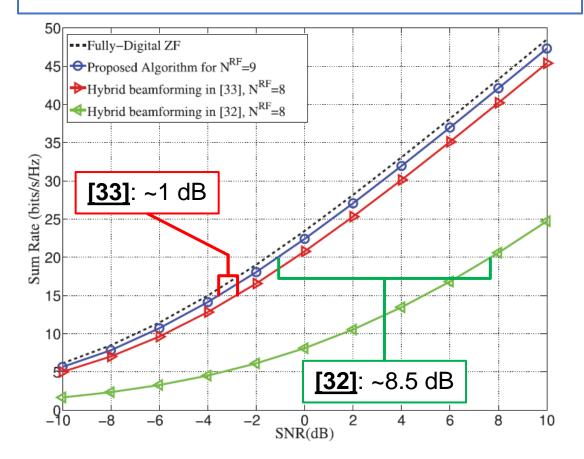


- Random geometric channels 15 paths per link
  - Average spectral efficiency from 100 trials

**Case 2**: 64 x 16 MIMO,  $N_{RF} = N_S = 6$ 



**Case 3**: 64 x 8, 8-user MISO,  $N_{RF} = 8 \ or \ 9$ 



# Projects on True-Time-Delay (TTD) Arrays CORES

**Project 4:** Beam Training with Analog TTD Arrays

**Project 2:** Flexible Frequency-Dependent beamforming with Analog TTD arrays



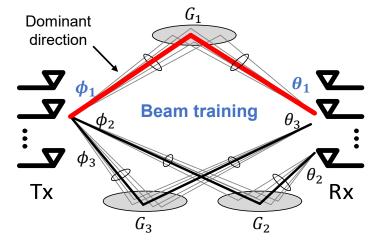


Beam Training: Link establishment procedure to estimate the AoA of the

strongest path

Partial channel knowledge –angles (AoA)
 corresponding to the dominant propagation path

- Enables beam-steering in data communication
- Low training overhead compared to channel estimation



Spatially clustered multipath: few spatial clusters reach the receiver

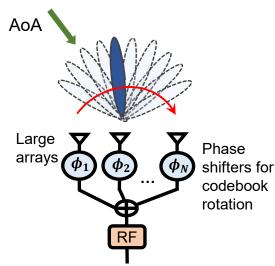




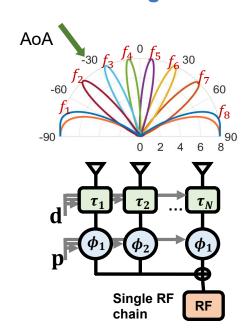
#### **Beam Training with Analog PS vs TTD array:**

#### **Analog PS-based**

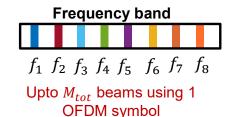
Exhaustive beam sweep to estimate AoA



#### **Analog TTD**



Single shot AoA estimation



$$\Delta \tau = \frac{R}{BW}$$

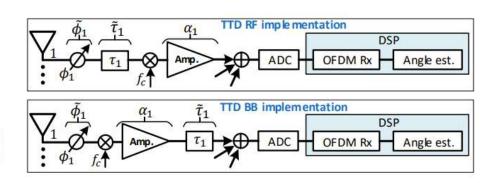




#### **System Model for Rx Beam Training:**

- $N_R \times 1$  Analog TTD array
- Freq. dependent TTD combiner

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{RF} \quad \left[ \mathbf{w}_{\mathrm{RF}}[m] \right]_n = & \alpha_n \mathrm{exp} \left[ -j \left( 2\pi f_m \tilde{\tau}_n + \tilde{\phi}_n \right) \right] \\ & \mathbf{BB} \quad \left[ \mathbf{w}_{\mathrm{BB}}[m] \right]_n = & \alpha_n \mathrm{exp} \left[ -j \left( 2\pi (f_m - f_{\mathrm{c}}) \tilde{\tau}_n + \tilde{\phi}_n \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

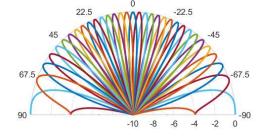


#### **Hardware impairments**

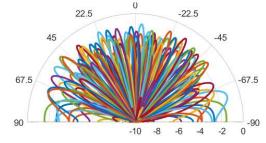
Cause distortions in TTD Rx beam patterns

- Delay error:  $\tilde{\tau}_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\tau_n, \sigma_T^2)$
- Phase error:  $\tilde{\phi}_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\phi_n, \sigma_P^2)$
- Gain error:  $10 \log_{10} \alpha_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_A^2)$

#### Rainbow beams w/o error



#### Rainbow beams w/ phase error





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#### Channel Model: wideband frequency selective [Sec II]

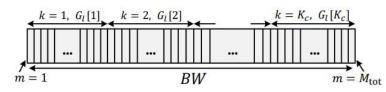


Fig. 1. The illustration of sub-bands and their corresponding channel gains for the *l*-th cluster.

$$\mathbf{H}[k] = \sum_{l=1}^{L} G_{l}[k] \mathbf{a}_{R}(\theta_{l}^{(R)}) \mathbf{a}_{T}^{H}(\theta_{l}^{(T)}),$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left(G_{l_1}[k_1]G_{l_2}^*[k_2]\right) = \begin{cases} \sigma_{l_1}^2, & \text{if } l_1 = l_2, k_1 = k_2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

#### TTD codebook design [Sec III]

$$[\mathbf{w}[m]]_n = \exp\left[-j(2\pi f_m \tau_n + \phi_n)\right],$$

$$\tau_n = (n-1)R/BW, \quad \phi_n = (n-1)[sgn(\psi)\pi - \psi], \quad (9)$$

where 
$$\psi = \text{mod}(2\pi R(f_c - \text{BW}/2)/\text{BW} + \pi, 2\pi) - \pi$$
. sgn()

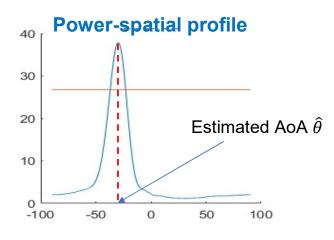




#### **Beam Training Algorithm [Sec IV]**

Received signal:  $Y[m] = M^{-1/2}\mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{H}}[m]\mathbf{H}[k]\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}^{\mathsf{H}}[m]\mathbf{n}[m], \ m \in \mathcal{M}.$ 

Projection onto Dictionary matrix:  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times Q}, \quad [\mathbf{B}]_{d,q} = \left|\mathbf{f}_d^{\mathsf{H}} \mathbf{a}_{\mathsf{R}}(\xi_q)\right|^2.$ 



Find the RMSE

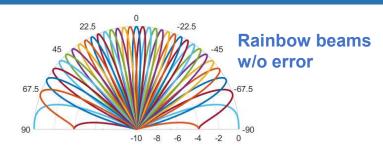


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#### **Problem statements:**

1. Plot the beam patterns of designed codebook for analog TTD arrays.

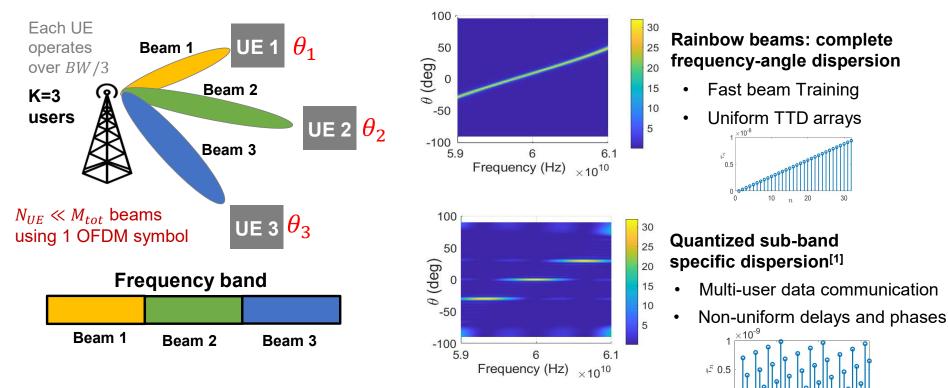


- 2. Plot the RMSE of angle estimation vs SNR (-20 dB to 20 dB)
  - In absence of hardware impairments
  - For R = 1,2,4
- 3. RMSE of angle estimation vs standard deviation of gain error  $\sigma_A$  (0 dB to 4.5 dB)
- **4.** [Bonus]: RMSE of angle estimation vs standard deviation of phase error  $\sigma_P$  (0° to 50°)





#### Sub-band-specific beams for simultaneous multi-user data communication



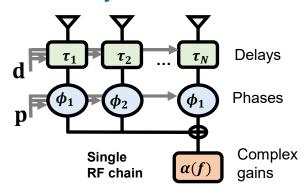


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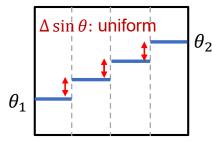


**Problem statement:** How to design TTD codebook to implement sub-band beams with single RF chain?

#### TTD array architecture



#### Target beam pattern



K users in K sub-bands

#### Given:

Target freq. angle map:  $\Theta(f)$ 

**Target beam:** 

$$\mathbf{b}_f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}} \exp(-j\pi \frac{f_m}{f_c} \sin \Theta(f))$$

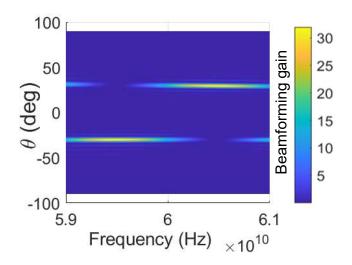
TTD combiner: 
$$\mathbf{w}(f) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}}\alpha(f).exp(-j(2\pi f_m \boldsymbol{\tau} - \boldsymbol{\Phi})) \quad \forall f = 1,...,M_{tot}$$

How to design  $\tau_n$ ,  $\phi_n \forall n \in \{1, ..., N_R\}$ ,  $\alpha(f)$ 

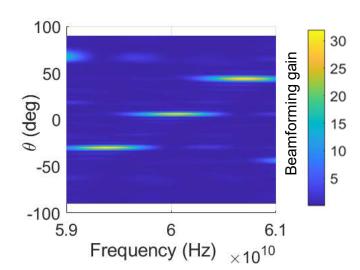




#### **Examples of sub-band angle maps**



$$K = 2; \Theta(f) = \begin{cases} -30^{\circ}; f < f_c \\ 30^{\circ}; f \ge f_c \end{cases}$$



$$K = 3; \Theta(f) = \begin{cases} -30^{\circ} & ; f < f_c - BW/6 \\ 5^{\circ}; & f_c - \frac{BW}{6} \le f < f_c + BW/6 \\ 45^{\circ}; & ; f \ge f_c + BW/6 \end{cases}$$



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**Algorithms:** to design TTD codebook to implement required sub-band-angle mapping

Algo 1: Alternating minimization [2, Sec V, Algo 1]

Given: Target beam:

$$\mathbf{b}_f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_T}} \exp(-j\pi \frac{f_m}{f_c} \sin \Theta(f))$$
Determine:  $\tau_n$ ,
$$\{1, ..., N_R\}, \quad \alpha(f)$$

**Determine:**  $\tau_n$ ,  $\phi_n \forall n \in$ 

- Iterative adaptation of  $\tau_n$ : [2, eqn 9 simplify to obtain closed form expression]
- Iterative adaptation of  $\phi_n$ : [2, eqn 8b]
- Iterative adaptation of  $\alpha(f)$ : [2, eqn 11]

Algo 2: mmFlexible [3, Appendix A, Theorem 2]

**Given:** Target angle mapping:  $\Theta(f)$ 

**Determine:**  $\tau_n$ ,  $\phi_n \forall n \in \{1, ..., N_R\}$ 





Goodness of fit: measure of how well the designed beams achieve the target angle mapping

Goodness of fit: The goodness of fit of combiner  $\mathbf{w}(f) \in \mathbb{C}^{N_T \times 1}$  with respect to the target beam  $\mathbf{b}_f$  is defined as  $\frac{1}{M_{tot}} \sum_{f} |\mathbf{w}^H(f)\mathbf{b}_f|$ .

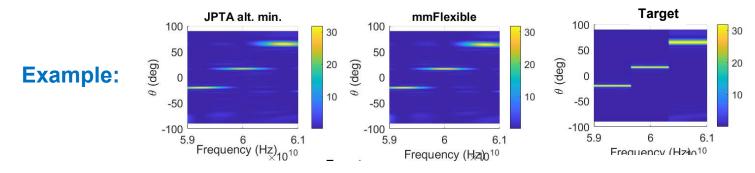




#### **Required results:**

- 1. You are given three target frequency-angle mappings. For each case, show the beamforming gain as a function of frequency-angle obtained via
  - i. 20 iterations of alternating minimization
  - ii. mmFlexible closed form solution
  - iii. Target beam pattern

In each case, compute and report the goodness of fit of resulting beams





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#### **Required results:**

- 2. For K=2 users, vary  $\theta^{(1)}$ ,  $\theta^{(2)}$  across 25 angles in the range of  $[-60^\circ, 60^\circ]$ . Compute goodness of fit for each of the resulting 625 angle-mappings, and plot its CDF for
  - i. 20 iterations of alternating minimization & mmFlexible closed form solution
  - ii. Plot the CDFs for BW = 1% of  $f_c$  and 10% of  $f_c$  for each algorithm (4 CDF curves totally)
- 3. For K=4 users, vary  $\theta^{(i)} \forall i = 1, ..., 4$  across 10 angles in the range of  $[-60^{\circ}, 60^{\circ}]$ . Repeat steps in (2) for each of the resulting 10000 angle-mappings.
- **4.** List three main observations about the proposed algorithms that you make based on the results in parts 1 to 3. Provide adequate justification backed by evidence to substantiate your inferences.





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# Project 5: Beam Training with Compressive Sensing and Machine Learning

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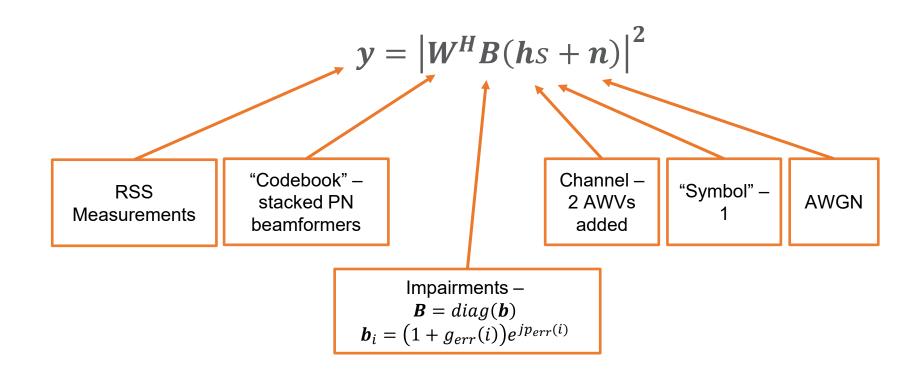
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# **System Model**



- 32 element array (uniform linear, 0.5λ spacing)
- Channels: 2 paths (-15 dB relative gain)

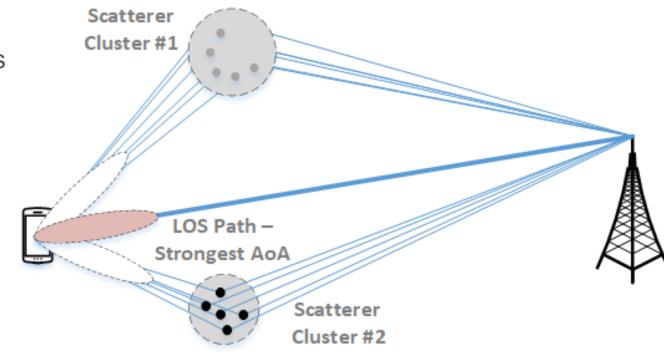




# **Algorithm Objectives**



- Objective: Predict the strongest path
  - Analog phased array -> only 1 probing/data stream at the time
- mmW channels are sparse
  - Typically, only a few dominant paths
- Phase-less measurements:
  - Only using received signal strength (RSS)
  - No raw IQ samples or phase measurements





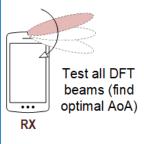
# mmW Beam Alignment Codebooks

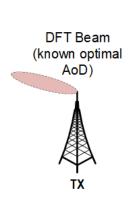


- Codebook: set of antenna phases/weights
  - Beam training: whole measurement/sounding codebook  $W_S$  (size M)
  - Data comm: one beam from the directional codebook  $W_D$  (size K)

#### **Traditional BA**

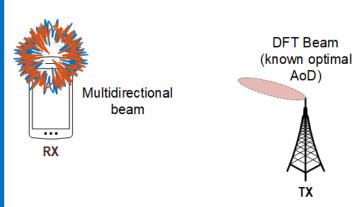
- Exhaustive search
- Codebook:  $W_s = W_D$
- Overhead  $M = K \propto$ number of elements (N)





# **Compressed Sensing (CS)**

- Pseudorandom noise (PN) beams as probing beams W<sub>S</sub>
- Overhead  $M \propto \log(N)$
- Sensitive to array impairment



#### **Combine CS and Machine Learning (ML)**

- RSS from PN beams
  - -> Reduced measurement complexity
- Neural Network for signal processing
  - -> Learns inherent hardware impairment





# mmRAPID BA Algorithm

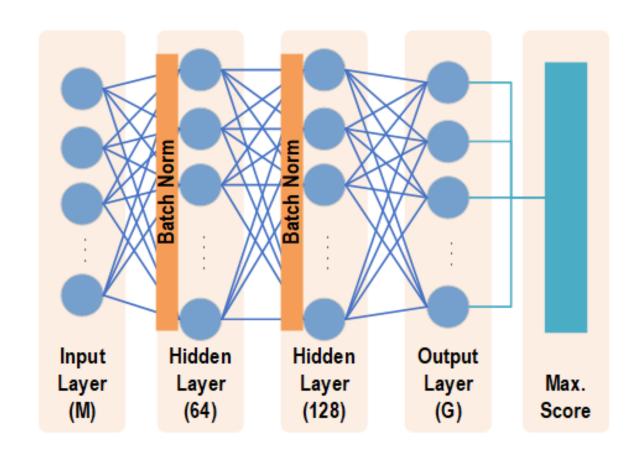


#### K-level classification problem

- <u>Features</u>: RSS values from M PN Rx beams
- <u>Labels</u>: Best DFT Rx beam in codebook W<sub>D</sub>

#### Two stage usage:

- <u>Training</u>: Rx measures PN and DFT beams and feed into neural network (NN)
- Operation: Use NN to predict DFT beam from just PN sounding
- Retrain for every number of meas. and impairments instance  $M = \{4, 8, 12\}$





# **Plots Required**



## All required plots: w/ and w/o impairments results overlaid

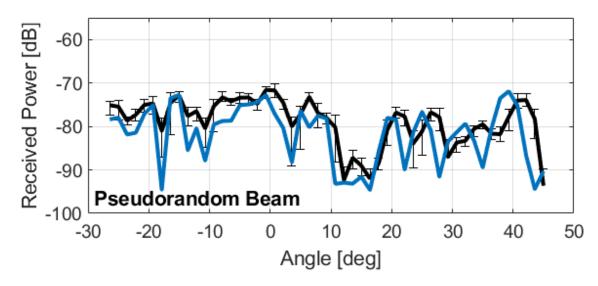
- 1. Directional beam pattern
- 2. PN beam pattern
- 3. RMSE vs SNR (8 meas.)
- 4. RMSE vs # of meas. (20 dB SNR)
- 5. (Bonus) RMSE vs 2<sup>nd</sup> path gain (8 meas., 20 dB SNR, w/o impairments)

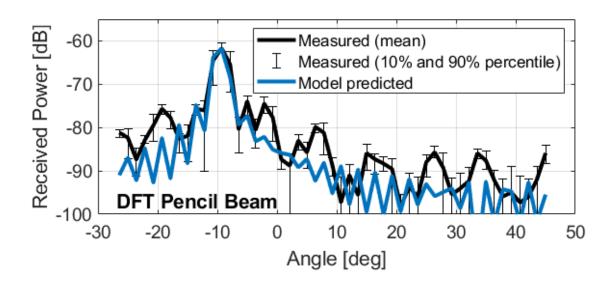


## **Measurement of PN Beam Mismatch**



- Demonstrated array impairment → beam design mismatch
  - DFT beams aren't as sensitive
- PN beam spatial fingerprint:
  - Set of responses for each AoA for all measurement beams
  - Hardware impairment dependent (need to learn for each device)



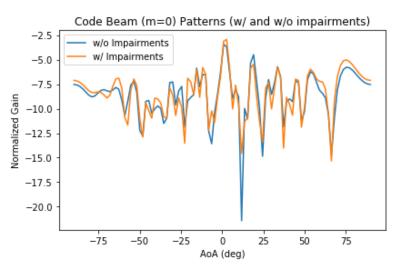


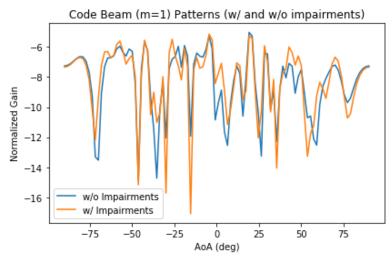


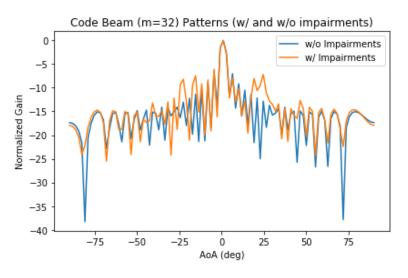
# **Beam Patterns w/ Impairments**



- 2 PN beam examples
- 1 DFT beam example
- Note:  $B = I_{N_r}$  (identity matrix) when there are no impairments











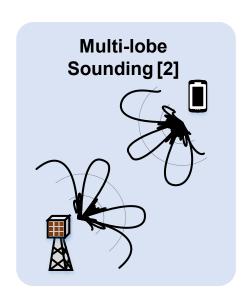
# **Extra Slides**

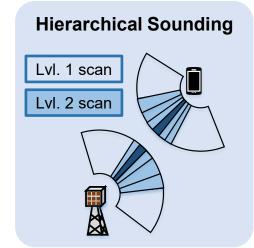


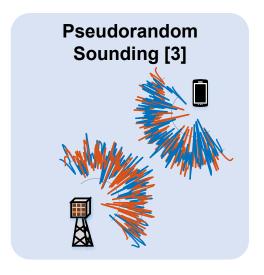
# Beam Alignment (BA) in mmW Systems CORES



- **Key procedure: beam alignment** 
  - Goal: find best beam steering directions
  - Challenge in mmW evolution
    - Larger Tx/Rx arrays will be used
    - Increased training overhead & complexity
- Approaches are constrained by array
  - Advanced array architecture fast alignment but high power and complexity
    - Fully-digital array, true-time-delay array, etc.
  - Phased array are preferred for mobile terminals
    - Beam alignment is a bottleneck











# **Project 6:**

Scaling up MIMO: Massive MIMO Communication

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# **Downlink MU-MIMO System Model**





Received signal model:

$$x_f = G^T W s + n$$

$$\boldsymbol{x}_f, \boldsymbol{n}, \boldsymbol{s} \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times 1}, \boldsymbol{H}^T \in \mathbb{C}^{K \times M}, \boldsymbol{W} \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times K}, M > K$$

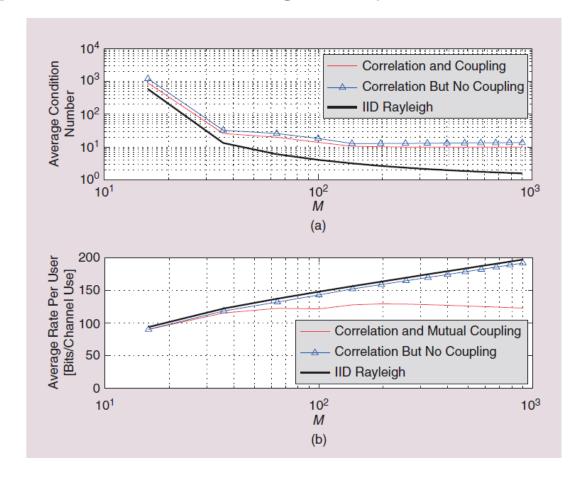


## **Benefit of Massive MIMO**



Channel condition and capacity [1] as number of antenna grows up

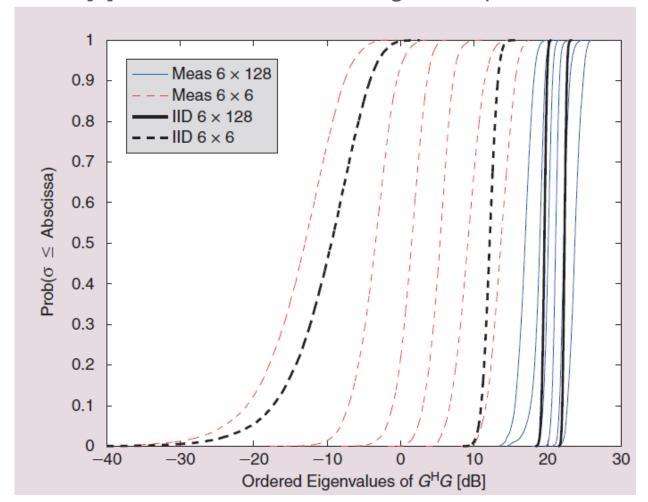
$$C_{\rm mc} = \log_2 \det \left( \boldsymbol{I}_n + \frac{\rho}{n_t} \hat{\boldsymbol{G}}_{\rm mc} \hat{\boldsymbol{G}}_{\rm mc}^{\rm H} \right)$$



## **Benefit of Massive MIMO**



• Eigenvalue distribution [1] as number of antenna grows up

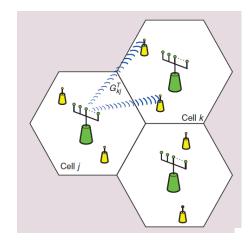


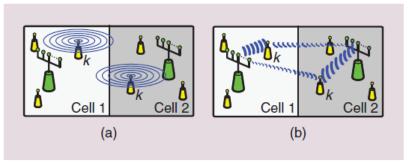


## Issues of Massive MIMO



- When the number of antenna gets large, the channel estimation becomes challenging
- Number of orthogonal pilots are limited and will be reused by all cells
- Multi-cell DL MU-MIMO with pilot contamination [1]





[FIG8] Illustration of the pilot contamination concept. (a) During

$$\hat{G}_{nn}^{\mathrm{T}} = \sqrt{
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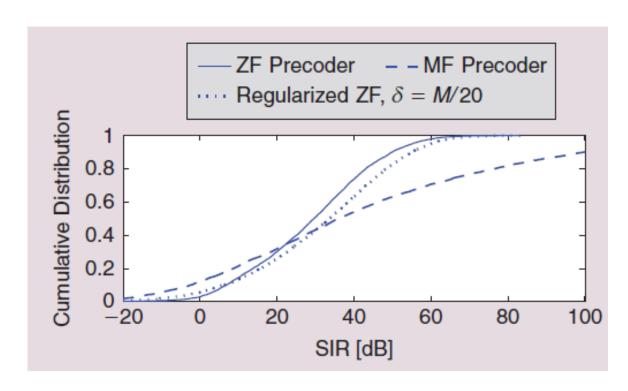


## **Issues of Massive MIMO**



Signal to Interference ratio (SIR) performance of different precoders [1]

SIR = 
$$\frac{\beta_{jj\ell}^2 / \left(\sum_i \beta_{ij\ell} + \frac{1}{\rho_p}\right)^2}{\sum_{n \neq j} \beta_{jn\ell}^2 / \left(\sum_i \beta_{in\ell} + \frac{1}{\rho_p}\right)^2}$$



$$SIR = \frac{\beta_{jj\ell}^2}{\sum_{n \neq j} \beta_{jn\ell}^2}$$

