

# When Perron-Frobenius meet Shannon: Nonconvex Power Control in Multiuser Communication Systems

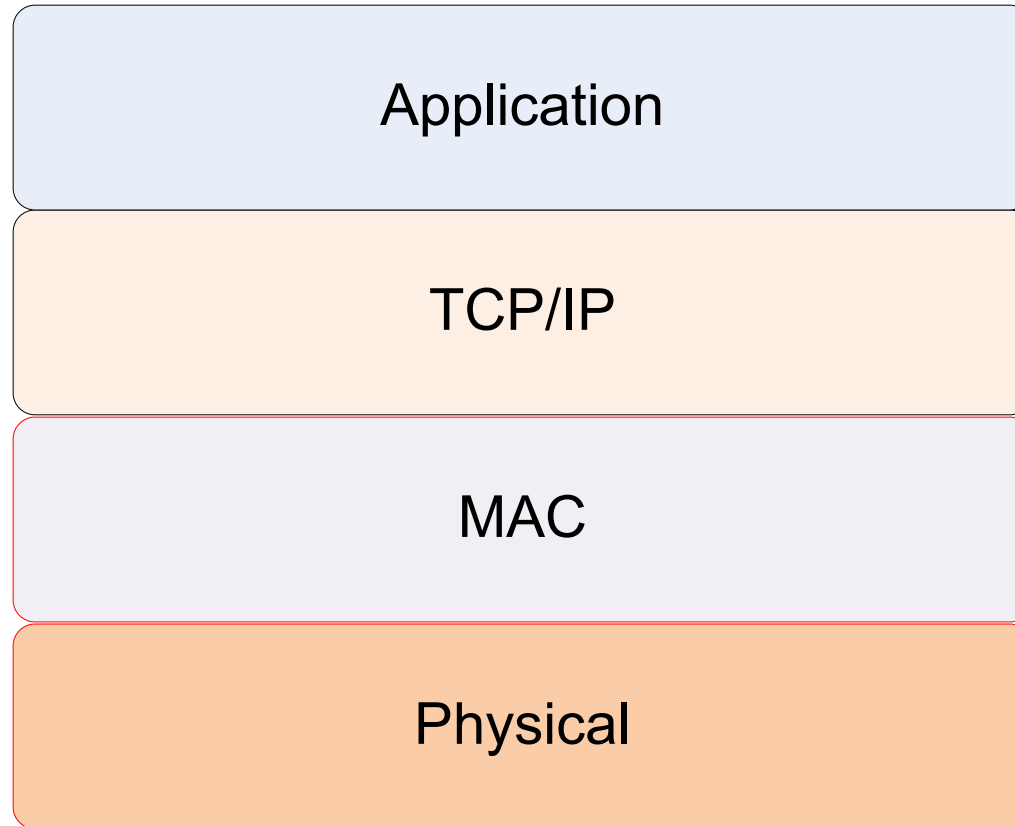
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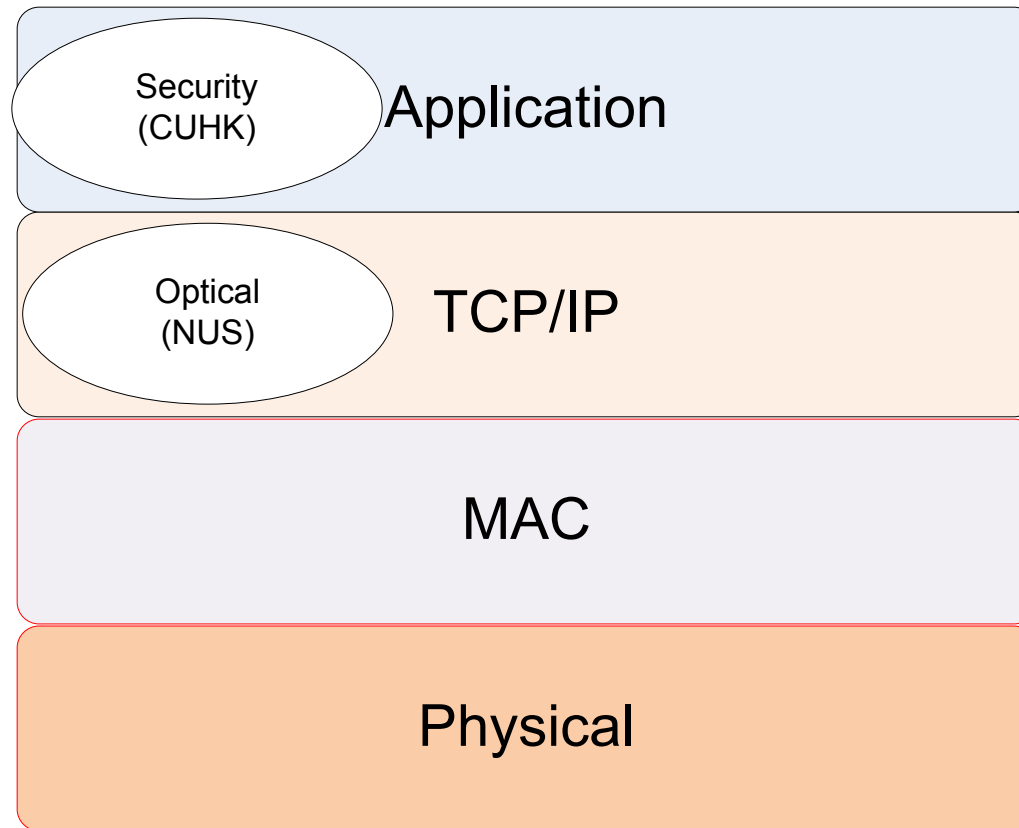
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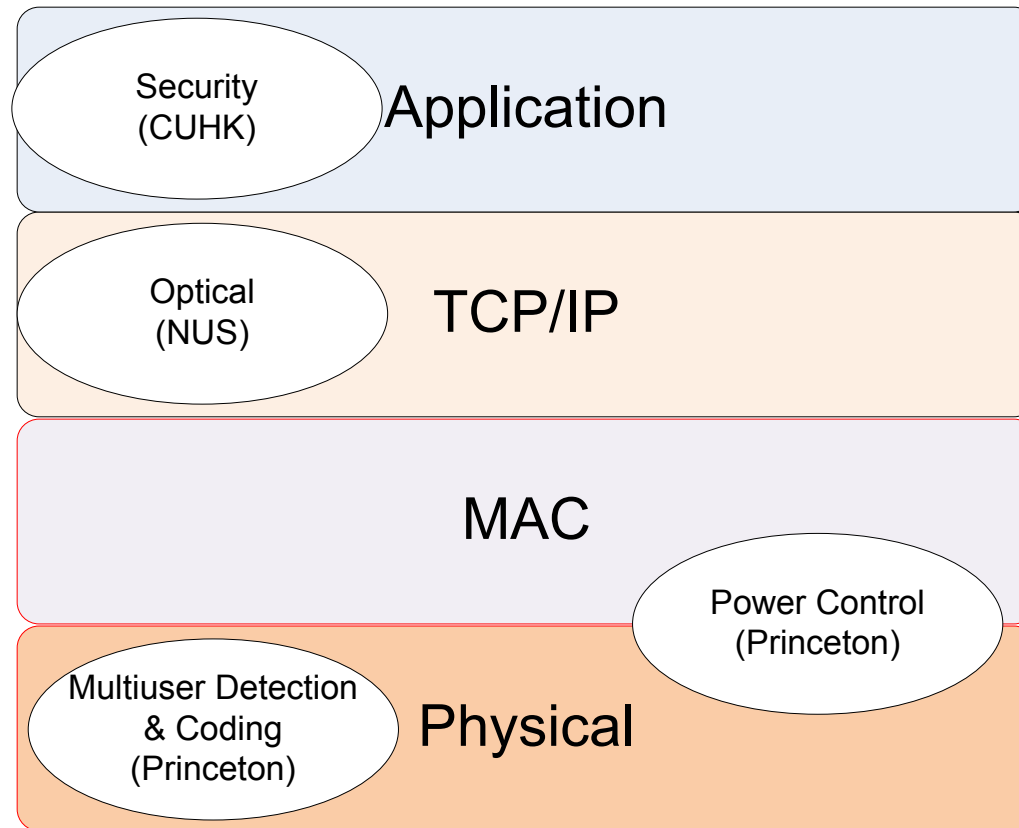
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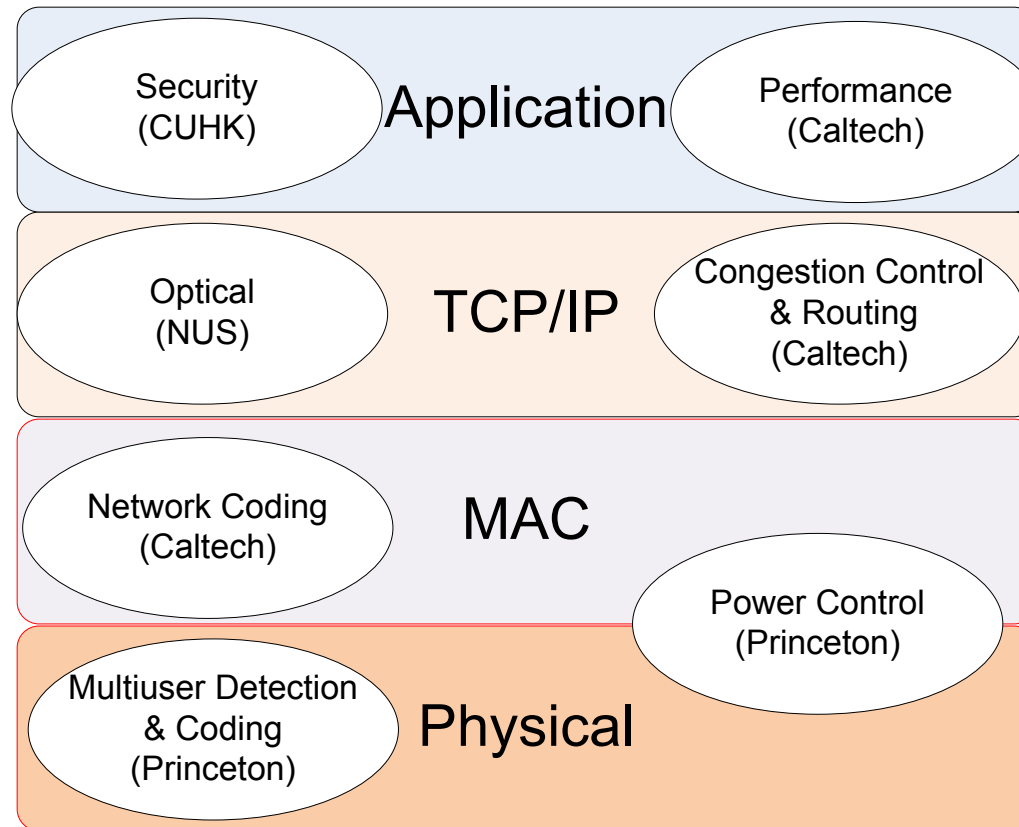
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# Outline

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- Motivations
- System Model and Basic Power Control Problems
- Nonconvex Power Control Problems
- Power Control Algorithms with Performance Guarantees
- Global Optimization of Sum Shannon Rates
- Balancing Energy Efficiency and Robustness

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# What makes a problem easy or hard

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... the great watershed in optimization isn't between linearity and nonlinearity, but **convexity** and **nonconvexity**.

– *SIAM Review* 1993, R. Rockafellar

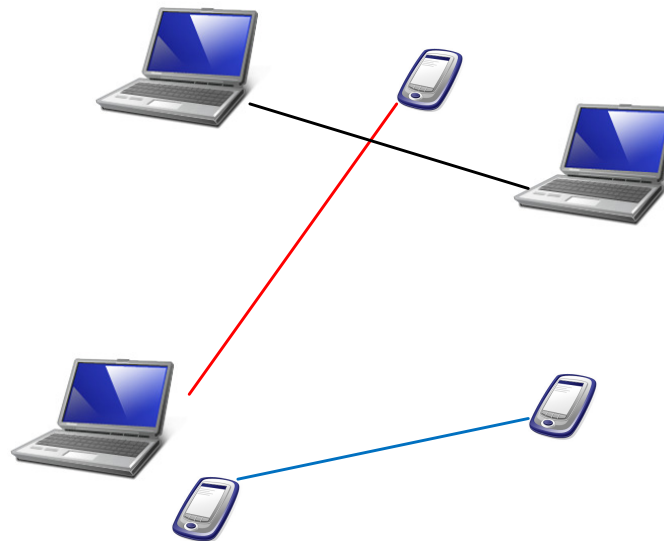
- Linear inequality theory & nonconvex integer programming (1947)
- Semidefinite matrix theory & nonconvex quadratic programming (1995)
- Nonnegative matrix theory & nonconvex cone programming ([this talk](#))



# Motivation 1

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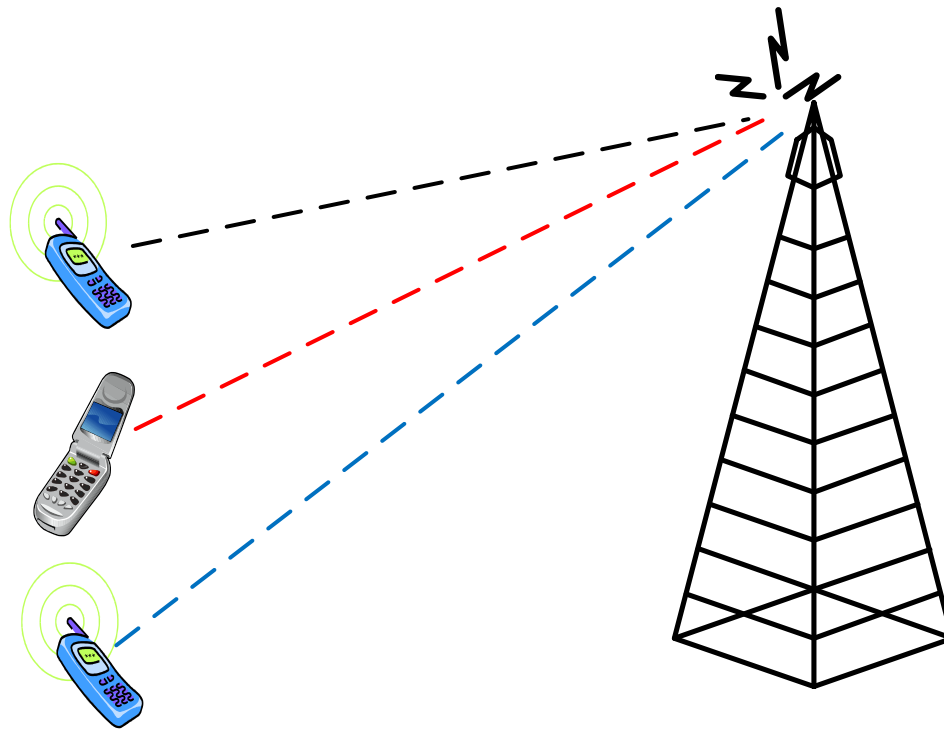
- IEEE 802.11b ad hoc network **cross-layer** (TCP/IP/MAC)
- **TCP/IP** and **application** layers demand data rate
- **MAC/Physical** layers build **variable capacity 'pipes'** as supply



# Motivation 2

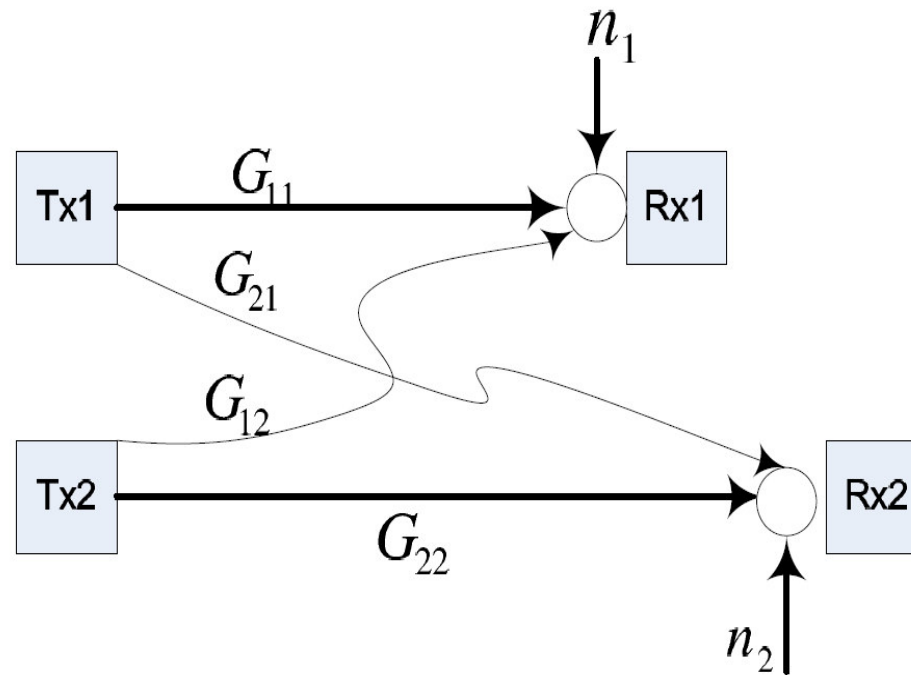
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- 3G CDMA2000 EV-DO cellular network **link adaptation** maximizes uplink/downlink rate using **power control**



# System Model

- **Interference** channel with single-user decoding: Treat **interference** as **additive Gaussian noise**
- **Control interference** and **meet objective** using **power control**



# Performance Metrics

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- Signal-to-Interference Ratio:

$$\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{G_{ll}p_l}{\sum_{j \neq l} G_{lj}p_j + n_l}$$

with  $G_{lj}$  the channel gains from transmitter  $j$  to receiver  $l$  and  $n_l$  the additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) power at receiver  $l$

- Attainable data rate (nats per channel use) is a function of  $\text{SIR}$ , e.g., Shannon capacity formula  $r_l = \log(1 + \text{SIR}_l)$
- Mean Squared Error (MSE) of received signal, e.g.,  $(1 + \text{SIR}_l)^{-1}$
- Power constraints  $\mathbf{p} \leq \bar{\mathbf{p}}$

# Interference Parameters

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- Let  $\mathbf{F}$  be a nonnegative matrix with entries:

$$F_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i = j \\ \frac{G_{ij}}{G_{ii}}, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathbf{v} = \left( \frac{n_1}{G_{11}}, \frac{n_2}{G_{22}}, \dots, \frac{n_L}{G_{LL}} \right)^\top.$$

- $\mathbf{F}$  is irreducible (each user has at least one interferer)

# Zander's Max-min SIR Problem 1992

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$$\max_{p_l \geq 0 \forall l} \min_l \frac{G_{ll}p_l}{\sum_{j \neq l} G_{lj}p_j}.$$

J. Zander, *Distributed Cochannel Interference Control in Cellular Radio Systems*,  
IEEE Trans. Vehicular Technology, 1992

- Wielandt's characterization of spectral radius:

$$\rho(\mathbf{F}) = \max_{\mathbf{p} \geq \mathbf{0}} \min_l \frac{(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{p})_l}{p_l} = \min_{\mathbf{p} \geq \mathbf{0}} \max_l \frac{(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{p})_l}{p_l}$$

- optimal SIR:  $1/\rho(\mathbf{F})$ , optimal power:  $\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{F})$

# Foschini's Power Minimization 1993

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$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & \sum_l p_l \\ \text{subject to} & \frac{G_{ll}p_l}{\sum_{j \neq l} G_{lj}p_j + n_l} \geq \gamma_l \quad \forall l. \end{array}$$

G. J. Foschini and Z. Miljanic, *A Simple Distributed Autonomous Power Control Algorithm and its Convergence*, IEEE Trans. Vehicular Technology, 1993

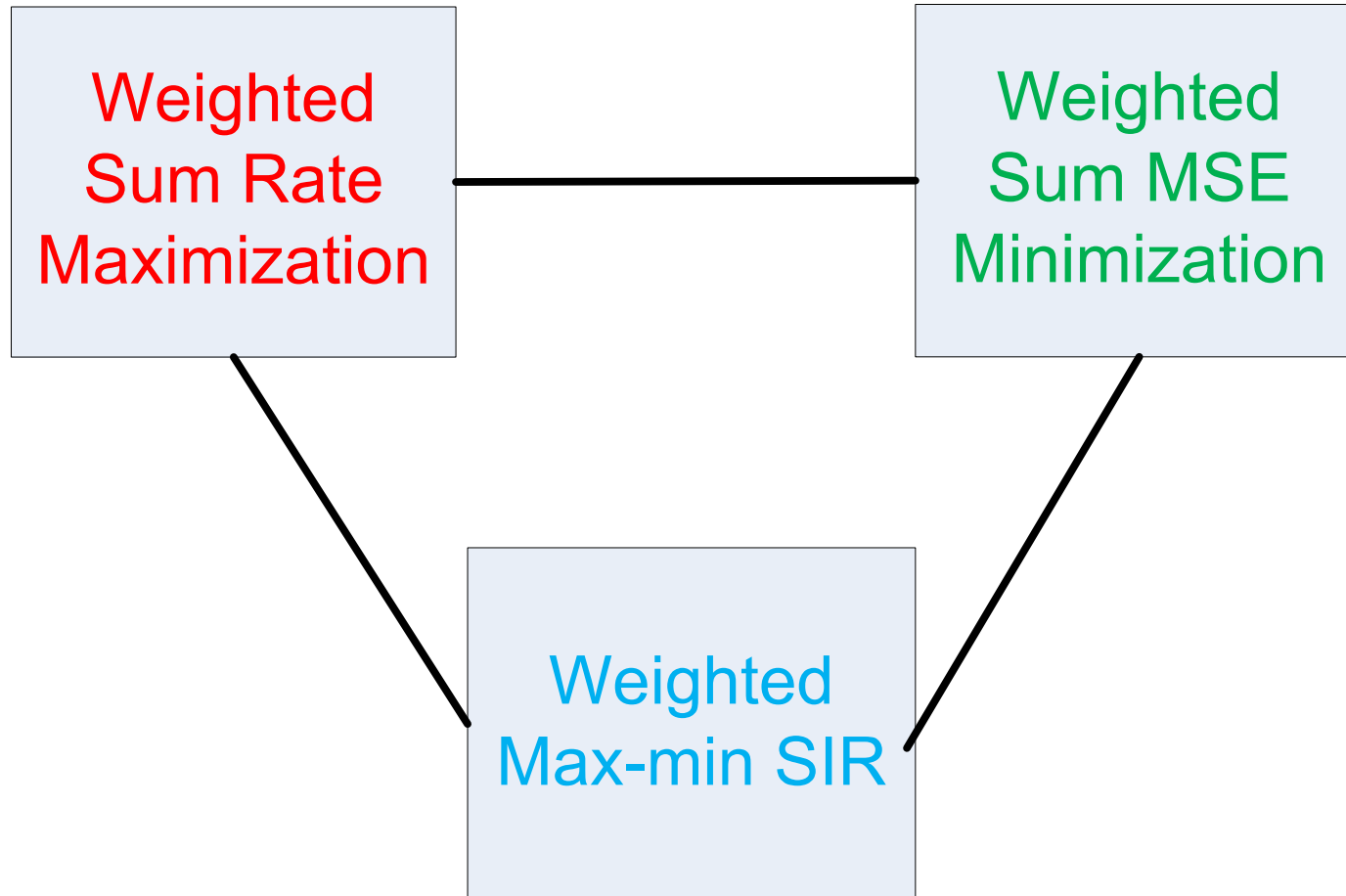
- **Distributed Power Control** (DPC) algorithm:

$$p_l(k+1) = \frac{\gamma_l}{\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}(k))} p_l(k) \quad \forall l.$$

- IS-95 CDMA Systems, Qualcomm 3G Systems

# Power Control Problems

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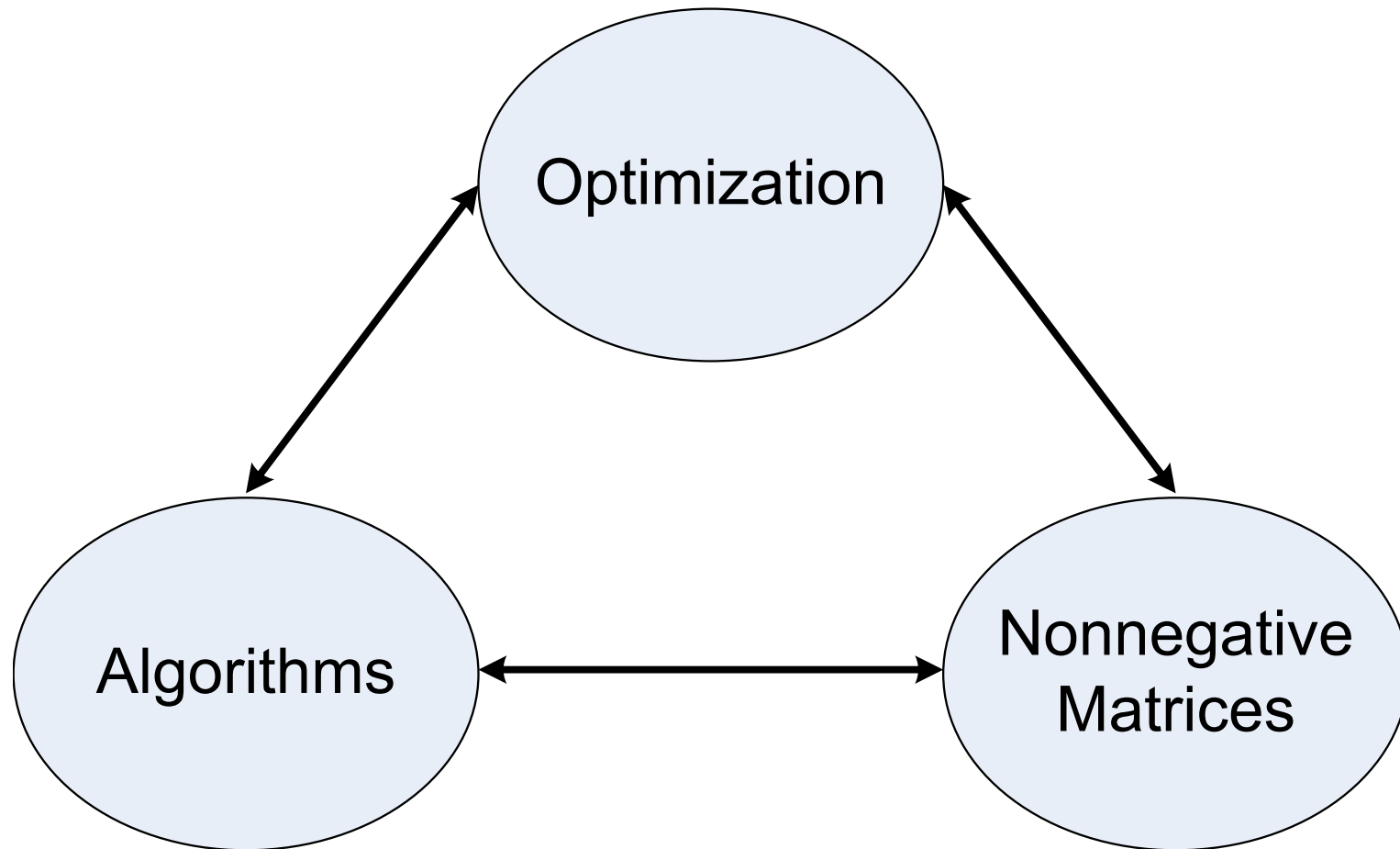
# System Considerations

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- How to solve **optimally nonconvex** power control problems?
- How many ways to characterize **optimality**?
- How to design **distributed** power control algorithms with **fast** convergence and **good performance guarantees**?
- How **fast** is **fast**?
- Can we leverage **existing technology**?
- What is the industry impact?

# Interplay of Mathematical Tools

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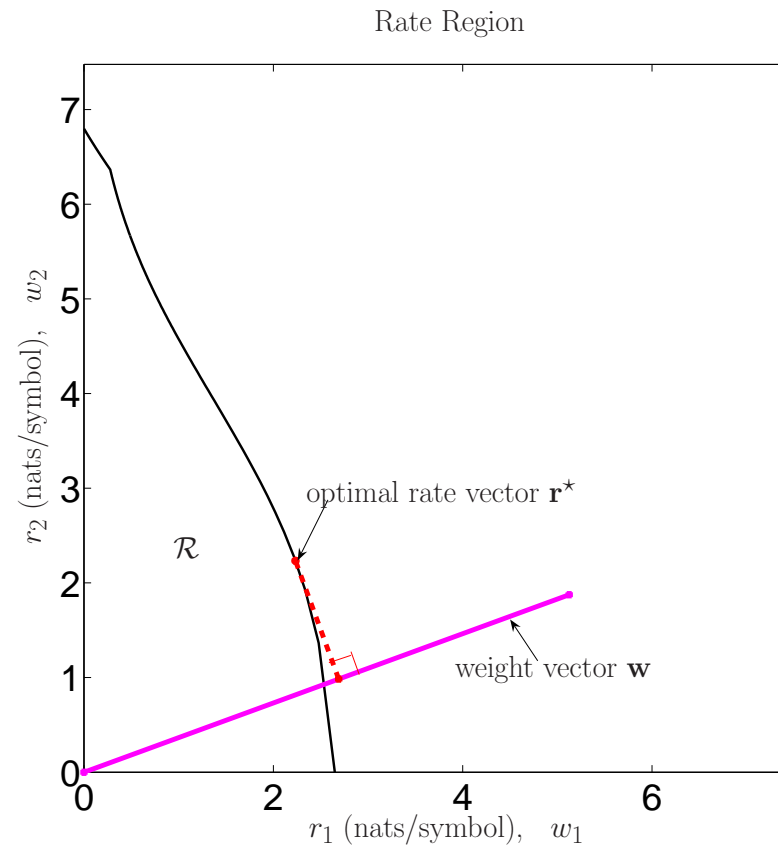
# Problem: Maximize Sum Shannon Rates

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- Find  $\mathbf{p}^* = \arg \max_{\mathbf{0} \leq \mathbf{p} \leq \bar{\mathbf{p}}} \sum_l w_l \log(1 + \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}))$  where  $\mathbf{1}^\top \mathbf{w} = 1$
- Characterize the achievable rate region:  $r_l = \log(1 + \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p})) \forall l$
- Two-User case:  
$$\max w_1 \log \left( 1 + \frac{G_{11} p_1}{G_{12} p_2 + n_1} \right) + w_2 \log \left( 1 + \frac{G_{22} p_2}{G_{21} p_1 + n_2} \right)$$
  
subject to:  $0 \leq p_1 \leq \bar{p}_1, 0 \leq p_2 \leq \bar{p}_2$

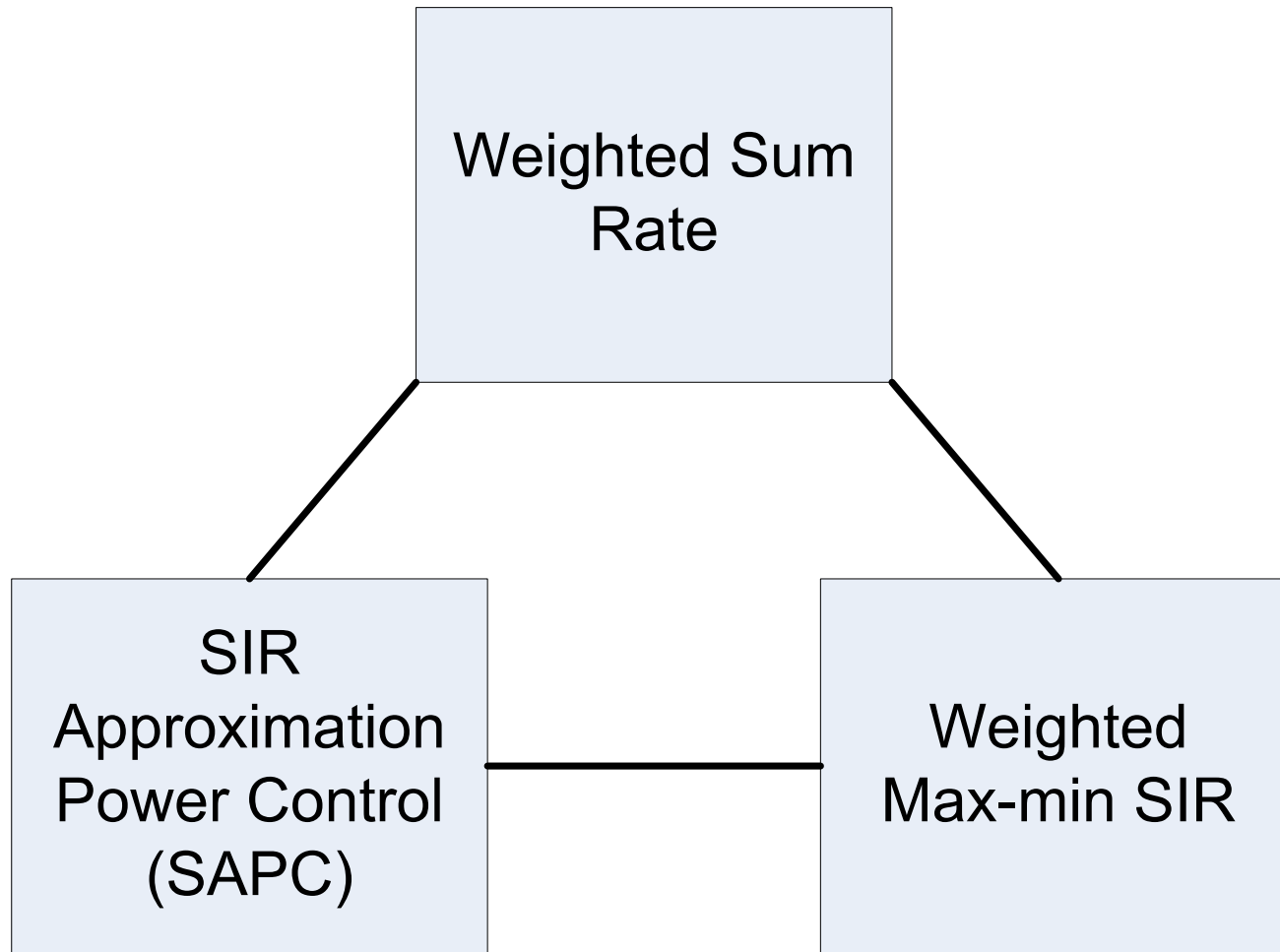
# Sum Rate Geometry Illustration

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_l w_l \log(1 + \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p})) = \sum_l w_l r_l \\ & \text{subject to} && 0 \leq p_l \leq \bar{p}_l \quad \forall l, \\ & \text{variables:} && p_l \quad \forall l. \end{aligned}$$



# Fast Algorithms with Performance Guarantees

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Tan, Chiang and Srikant, *Fast Algorithms and Performance Bounds for Sum Rate Maximization in Wireless Networks*, IEEE INFOCOM, 2009

# SAPC: New Perspective

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- Drop the '1' approach:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_l w_l \log \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}) \\ & \text{subject to} && 0 \leq p_l \leq \bar{p}_l \quad \forall l, \\ & \text{variables:} && p_l \quad \forall l. \end{aligned}$$

- Geometric programming ( $\tilde{p}_l = \log p_l$ )

Chiang, Tan, Palomar, O'Neill, Julian, *Power Control by Geometric Programming*, IEEE Trans Wireless Comms, 2007

- 1) Connection with **Weighted max-min SIR**  
2) **New** algorithm with **faster** convergence

# SAPC: Algorithm

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- **Algorithm 1. [SAPC Algorithm]**

1. Update  $\mathbf{p}(k + 1)$ :

$$p_l(k + 1) = \min \left\{ w_l / \left( \sum_{j \neq l} \frac{w_j F_{jl} \text{SIR}_j(\mathbf{p}(k))}{p_j} \right), \bar{p}_l \right\}$$

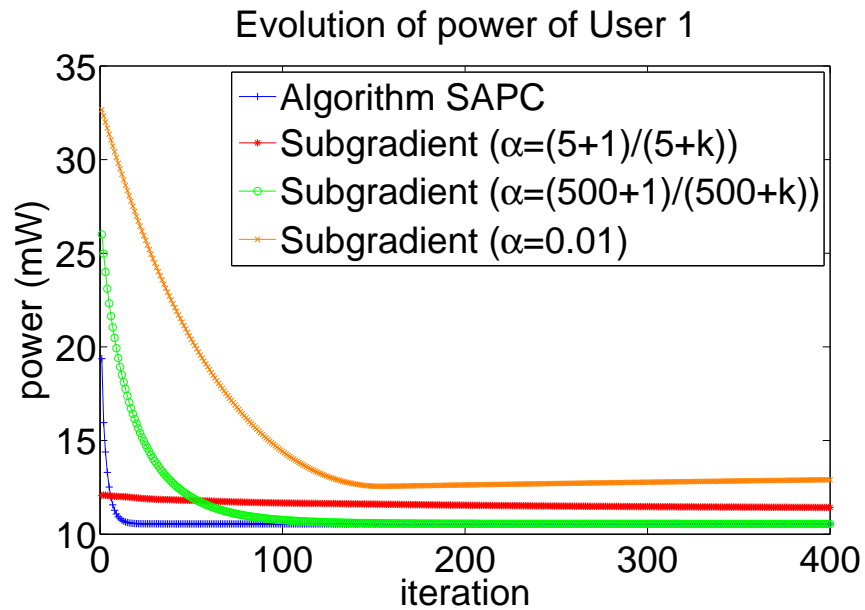
*for all  $l$ , where  $k$  indexes discrete time slots.*

**Theorem 1.** *Starting from any initial point  $\mathbf{p}(0)$ ,  $\mathbf{p}(k)$  in Algorithm 1 converges to  $\mathbf{p}'$  asymptotically, the optimal solution to SAPC under synchronous and asynchronous updates.*

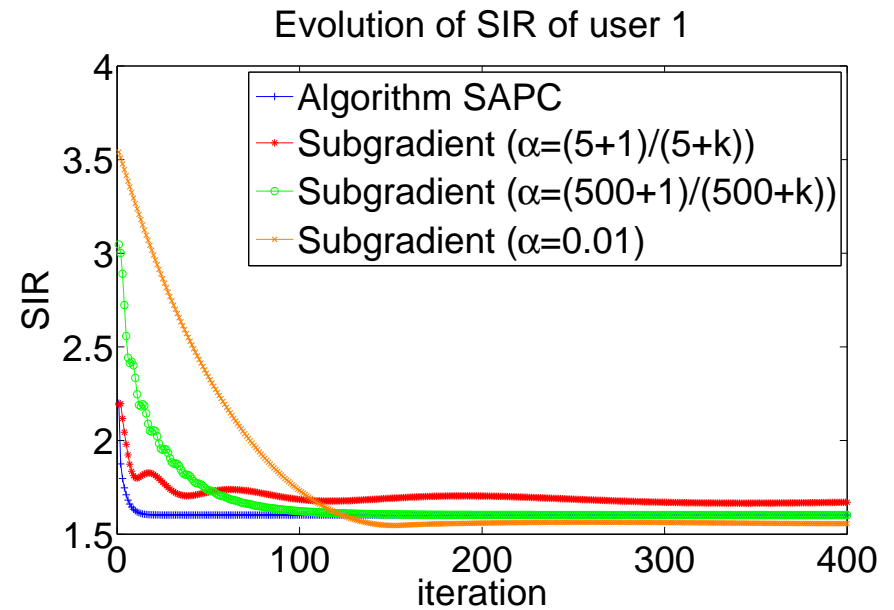
- Geometrically fast when the initial point is  $\bar{\mathbf{p}}$ .

# SAPC: Examples

- Algorithm SAPC is faster than the gradient algorithm (stepsize  $\alpha$ )



(a)



(b)



# Weighted Max-Min SIR

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- Consider  $\max_{\mathbf{p} \geq 0} \min_l \frac{\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p})}{\beta_l}$  subject to  $p_l \leq \bar{p}_l \quad \forall l$
- **Theorem 2.** *The optimal solution is such that the value  $\text{SIR}_l/\beta_l$  for all users are equal. The optimal weighted max-min SIR is given by*

$$\gamma^* = \frac{1}{\rho(\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_i)\mathbf{ve}_i^\top))},$$

where

$$i = \arg \min_l \frac{1}{\rho(\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{ve}_l^\top))}.$$

Further, all links  $i$  transmit at peak power  $\bar{p}_i$  and the rest do not. Further, the optimal  $\mathbf{p}$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{p}^*$ , is  $t\mathbf{x}(\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{ve}_l^\top))$  for some constant  $t > 0$ .

# Max-min SIR: Primal-Dual Algorithm

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- **Algorithm 2. [Weighted Max-min SIR Algorithm]**

1. *Initialize an arbitrarily positive  $\mathbf{w}(t)$  and small  $\epsilon, \alpha(1)$ .*
2. *Set  $\mathbf{p}(0) = \bar{\mathbf{p}}$ . Repeat*

$$p_l(k+1) = \min \left\{ w_l(t) / \left( \sum_{j \neq l} \frac{w_j(t) F_{jl} \text{SIR}_j(\mathbf{p}(k))}{p_j(k)} \right), \bar{p}_l \right\}$$

*until  $\|\mathbf{p}(k+1) - \mathbf{p}(k)\| \leq \epsilon$ .*

3. *Compute*

$$w_l(t+1) = \max \{ w_l(t) + \alpha(t) (\sum_j w_j(t) \log(\text{SIR}_j(\mathbf{p}(k+1))/\beta_j) - \log(\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}(k+1))/\beta_l)), 0 \}$$

*for all  $l$ , where  $t$  indexes discrete time slots much larger than  $k$ .*

4. *Normalize  $\mathbf{w}(t+1)$  so that  $\mathbf{1}^\top \mathbf{w}(t+1) = 1$ . Go to Step 2.*

# Connecting SAPC & Max-min SIR

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- Let  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  be the Perron and left eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_i)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_i^\top$  respectively, where  $i = \arg \min_l \frac{1}{\rho(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_l^\top)}$
- Set  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{x} \circ \mathbf{y}$  in SAPC:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_l x_l y_l \log \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}) \\ & \text{subject to} && 0 \leq p_l \leq \bar{p}_l \quad \forall l, \\ & \text{variables:} && p_l \quad \forall l. \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{x} \text{ (unique up to a scaling constant)}$$

# Nonlinear Perron-Frobenius Theory

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- Find  $(\check{\lambda}, \check{\mathbf{s}})$  in

$$\lambda \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{b}, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbf{s} \geq \mathbf{0}, \quad \|\mathbf{s}\| = 1,$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  is a square irreducible nonnegative matrix and nonnegative vector, respectively and  $\|\cdot\|$  a monotone vector norm.

- $(\check{\lambda}, \check{\mathbf{s}})$  is the **Perron-Frobenius eigenvalue** and vector pair of  $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}\mathbf{c}_*^\top$ , where

$$\mathbf{c}_* = \arg \max_{\|\mathbf{c}\|_* = 1} \rho(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}\mathbf{c}^\top),$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_*$  is the **dual norm** of  $\|\cdot\|$ , and  $\check{\mathbf{s}} = (\mathbf{A}\check{\mathbf{s}} + \mathbf{b})/\|\mathbf{A}\check{\mathbf{s}} + \mathbf{b}\|$ .

V. D. Blondel, L. Ninove and P. Van Dooren, *An affine eigenvalue problem on the nonnegative orthant*, Linear Algebra & its Applications, 2005

# Nonlinear Perron-Frobenius Theory: Max-min SIR

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- Individual power constraints ( $\bar{p}_1 = \bar{p}_2 = \dots = \bar{p}_L$ ):

$$\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}^*) = \tau^* \beta_l \Rightarrow \frac{(p_l^*/\bar{p}_i)}{\sum_{j \neq l} F_{lj}(p_l^*/\bar{p}_i) + (v_l/\bar{p}_i)} = \tau^* \beta_l$$

Let  $\mathbf{s}^* = (1/\bar{p}_i)\mathbf{p}^*$ :

$$(1/\tau^*)\mathbf{s}^* = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})\mathbf{F}\mathbf{s}^* + (1/\bar{p}_i)\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})\mathbf{v}, \quad \|\mathbf{s}\|_\infty = 1$$

- ■  $s_l = p_l/\bar{p}_l$ ,  $\mathbf{A} = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})\mathbf{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = (1/\bar{p}_i)\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})\mathbf{v}$  and  $\lambda = 1/\tau^*$
- $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_\infty \longleftrightarrow \|\cdot\|_* = \|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{1}}$  &  $\mathbf{c}_* = \mathbf{e}_i$
- $(\check{\lambda}, \check{\mathbf{s}})$  is the Perron-Frobenius eigenvalue and vector pair of  $\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_i)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_i^\top)$

# A Faster Max-min SIR Algorithm

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- **Algorithm 3.** [**Equal power** constrained Max-min SIR]

1. Update power  $\mathbf{p}(k + 1)$ :

$$p_l(k + 1) = \frac{\beta_l}{\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}(k))} p_l(k) \quad \forall l.$$

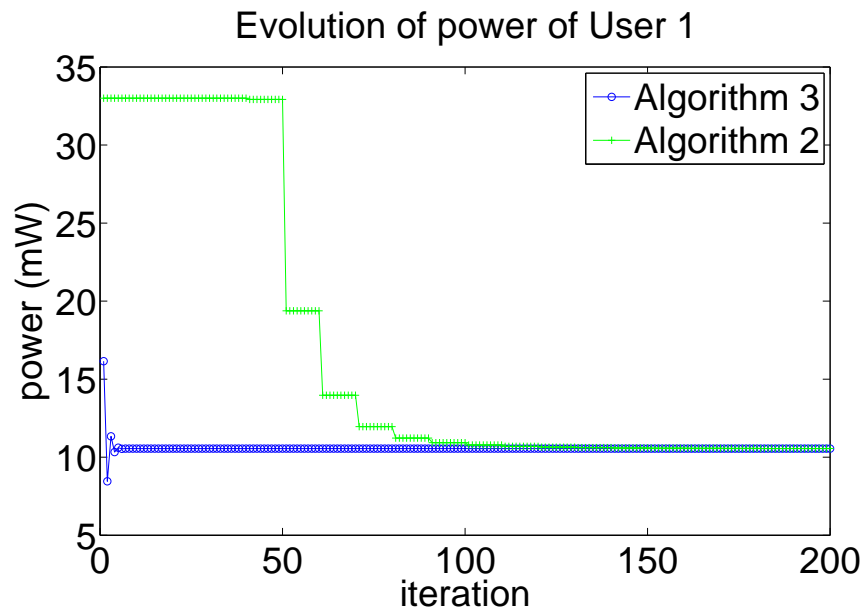
2. Normalize  $\mathbf{p}(k + 1)$ :

$$p_l(k + 1) = p_l(k + 1) / \max_j p_j(k + 1) \cdot \bar{p}_i \quad \forall l.$$

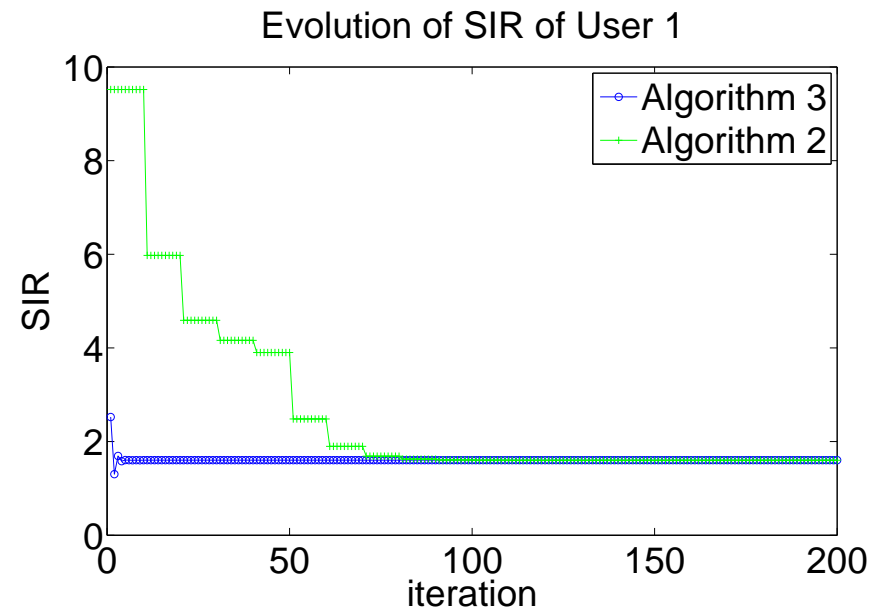
- **Theorem 3.** Starting from any initial point  $\mathbf{p}(0)$ ,  $\mathbf{p}(k)$  in Algorithm 3 converges geometrically fast to  $\mathbf{x}(\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\beta})(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_i)\mathbf{ve}_i^\top))$  (unique up to a scaling constant).

# Max-min SIR: Examples

- The nonlinear Perron-Frobenius theory based algorithm is **much faster** than the subgradient algorithm



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(b)

# Goodness of Suboptimality

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- Max-min SIR, SAPC, All- $\bar{p}$ , One-On-Others-Off, ...
- Good suboptimal solutions may have attractive implementation quality
  - Simplicity, distributed protocol, fairness, backward compatibility
- Positive Duality Gap: Standard optimization theory is limited
- Strongly NP-hard and Inapproximability of nonconvex problem [LuoZhang07]

Z.-Q. Luo and S. Zhang, *Dynamic Spectrum Management: Complexity and Duality*,  
IEEE J. of Selected Topics in Signal Processing, 2007



# A Negative Result: Hardness

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- Inapproximability of nonconvex problem [LuoZhang07]

When  $L \geq 3$  and  $w_l = w_j \ \forall l \neq j$ , there is a positive constant  $c$  such that no polynomial time  $L^{-c}$ -approximation algorithm exists, unless  $P = NP$

- $\eta$ -approximation algorithm:

$$\text{Objective}(\mathbf{p}_{\text{approx}}) \leq \text{Objective}(\mathbf{p}^*) \leq \eta \cdot \text{Objective}(\mathbf{p}_{\text{approx}})$$

where  $\eta \geq 1$

# Quasi-Inverse of Nonnegative Matrices

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- Definition **[Wong54]**:  $\mathbf{B}$  is a quasi-inverse of  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} \geq \mathbf{0}$  if  $\mathbf{B} - \tilde{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{B}\tilde{\mathbf{B}} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{B} \geq \mathbf{0}$
- Instrumental property of Minkowski-Leontief (ML) matrices in mathematical economy **[Wong54]**
- $(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{B})^{-1}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{B})^{-1} \geq \mathbf{0}$
- $\rho(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}) = \frac{\rho(\mathbf{B})}{1+\rho(\mathbf{B})}$
- $\mathbf{x}(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}) = \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{B})$  &  $\mathbf{y}(\tilde{\mathbf{B}}) = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{B})$

# Interference & SNR Regime

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- Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F} + \sum_l \frac{1}{\mathbf{1}^\top \bar{\mathbf{p}}} \mathbf{v} \mathbf{e}_l^\top$$

- (High SNR regime)  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$  does not exist

or any nonnegative matrix with a zero trace & positive off-diagonals

- (Low SNR regime)  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$  always exists

or any nonnegative matrix that is a dyad

- (Low interference/moderate SNR regime)  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}$  almost always exists

# Tight Upper Bound: Key Theorem

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- If  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} \geq \mathbf{0}$ , then

$$\sum_l w_l \log(1 + \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}^*)) \leq \|\mathbf{w}\|_{\infty}^{\mathbf{x} \circ \mathbf{y}} \log(1 + 1/\rho(\mathbf{B})),$$

where  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$  are the Perron and left eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{B}$  respectively.

- Main ideas of proof:
  - Relaxation of nonconvexity
  - Quasi-invertibility of nonnegative matrix [Wong54]
  - Friedland-Karlin Inequalities [FriedlandKarlin75]
- Physical and operational meaning of upper bound

# Physical Interpretation of Upper Bound (I)

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- $\sum_l w_l \log(1 + \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}^*)) \leq \|\mathbf{w}\|_{\infty}^{\mathbf{x} \circ \mathbf{y}} \log(1 + \mathbf{1}/\rho(\mathbf{B}))$ .
- ■  $1 \leq \|\mathbf{w}\|_{\infty}^{\mathbf{x} \circ \mathbf{y}} \leq \frac{1}{\min_l (\mathbf{x} \circ \mathbf{y})_l}$  as an **approximation ratio** using

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \min_l \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}) \\ & \text{subject to} && \mathbf{1}^{\top} \mathbf{p} \leq \mathbf{1}^{\top} \bar{\mathbf{p}} \\ & \text{variables:} && \mathbf{p}. \end{aligned}$$

- Closed-form solution (via Nonlinear Perron-Frobenius Theory):

$$\text{Optimal solution : } \mathbf{1}/\rho(\mathbf{B}), \quad \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{F} + (\mathbf{1}/\mathbf{1}^{\top} \bar{\mathbf{p}}) \mathbf{v} \mathbf{1}^{\top};$$

$$\text{Optimizer : } \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{B})$$

# General Bounds

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- A subset of users  $\mathcal{C} = \{l \mid l = 1, \dots, L\}$  with  $|\mathcal{C}| \leq L$ . Users in  $\mathcal{C}$  transmit with positive power. Users that belong to  $\bar{\mathcal{C}}$  are removed (delete rows/columns of  $\mathbf{B}$ )
- $L$  users  $\Rightarrow \sum_{l=1}^{L-2} \binom{L}{l} + 2$  possible configurations
- General upper bound (subject to  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{\mathcal{C}} \geq \mathbf{0}$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{l=1}^L w_l \log(1 + \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}^*)) \\ & \leq \max_{l \in \mathcal{C}} \frac{w_l}{(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{B}_{\mathcal{C}}) \circ \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{B}_{\mathcal{C}}))_l} \log \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\rho(\mathbf{B}_{\mathcal{C}})} \right) + \sum_{l \in \bar{\mathcal{C}}} w_l \log \left( 1 + \frac{G_{ll} \bar{p}_l}{n_l} \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Performance Guarantee: Weighted Max-min SIR

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- **Theorem 4.** Suppose  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} \geq \mathbf{0}$ . Let

$$\eta = \frac{\sum_l w_l \log(1 + w_l / \rho(\text{diag}(\mathbf{w})(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{ve}_l^\top)))}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_\infty^{\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{B}) \circ \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{B})} \log(1 + 1/\rho(\mathbf{B}))},$$

where

$$i = \arg \min_l \frac{1}{\rho(\text{diag}(\mathbf{w})(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{ve}_l^\top))}.$$

Then,  $\eta$  is an approximation ratio by solving the constrained max-min weighted SIR problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximize} & \min_l \frac{\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p})}{w_l} \\ \text{subject to} & \mathbf{p} \leq \bar{\mathbf{p}} \\ \text{variables:} & \mathbf{p}. \end{array}$$

# Quasi-invertibility in Wireless Network: Examples

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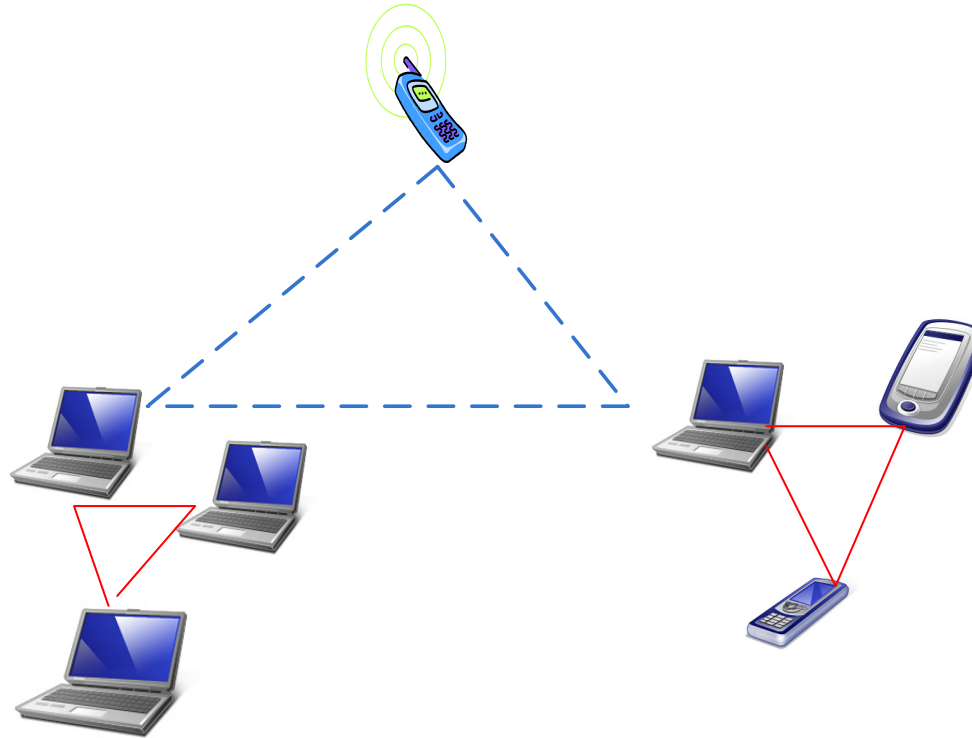
Parameter	Avg. % of $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} \geq \mathbf{0}$	SAPC ( $\eta$ )	Max-min SIR ( $\eta$ )	On-off sched. ( $\eta$ )
$\bar{p}_l = 33\text{mW} \forall l$ SNR = 7dB	99	0.97 (0.93)	0.99 (0.96)	0.89 (0.84)
$\bar{p}_l = 1\text{W} \forall l$ SNR = 40dB	65	0.87 (0.82)	0.91 (0.83)	0.87 (0.82)

Table 1: A typical numerical example in a ten-user network with two different maximum power constraint settings.



# Industry Impact/Adoption

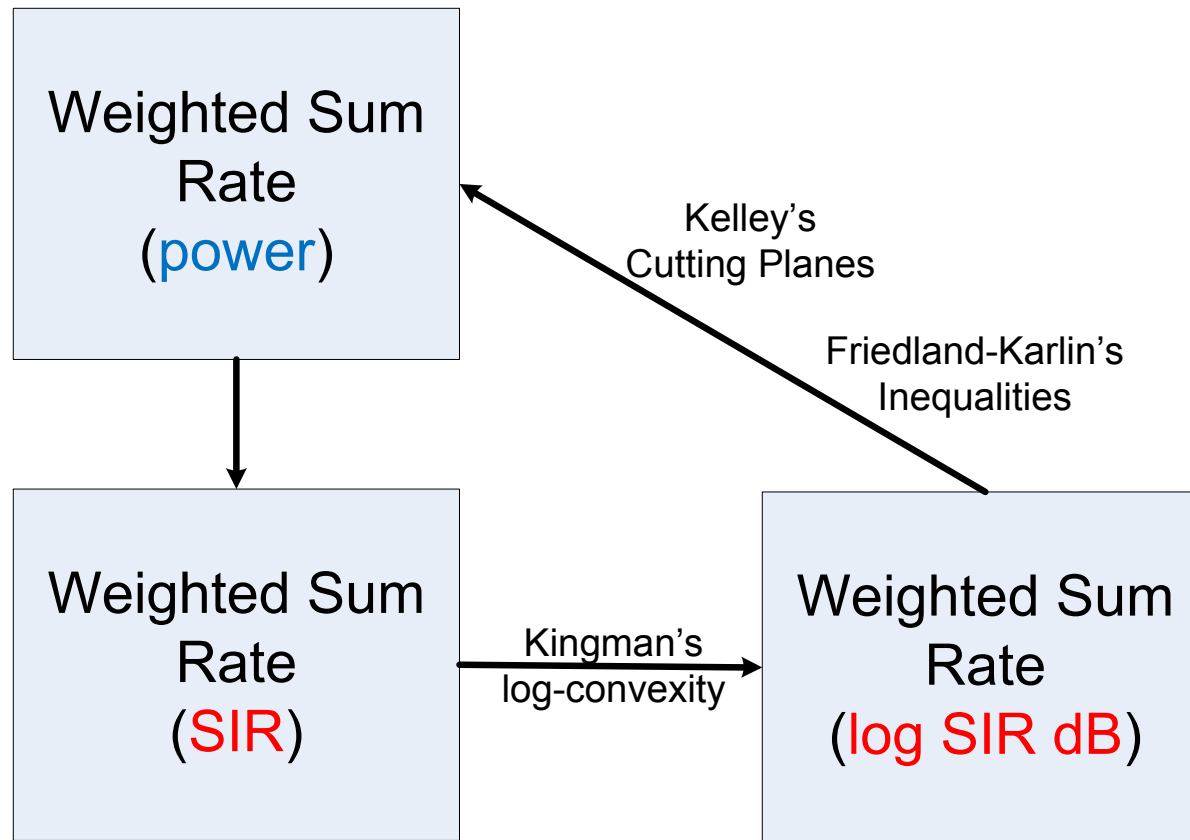
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- Qualcomm Flarion Technologies Flash-OFDM
- Telcordia Research Lab's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) project

# Solution Map

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Friedland and Tan, *Maximizing Sum Rates in Gaussian Interference-limited Channels*, submitted to IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, 2008

# As Eigenvalue Problem: SIR Domain

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**Theorem 5.** *Consider the following maximization problem:*

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_l w_l \log(1 + \gamma_l) \\ & \text{subject to} && \rho(\text{diag}(\gamma)(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_l^\top)) \leq 1 \quad \forall l, \\ & \text{variables:} && \gamma_l, \quad \forall l. \end{aligned}$$

*The optimal SIR vector  $\gamma^*$  is related to the optimal power vector  $\mathbf{p}^*$  as follows:*

$$\mathbf{p}^* = (\mathbf{I} - \text{diag}(\gamma^*)\mathbf{F})^{-1} \text{diag}(\gamma^*)\mathbf{v}.$$

*Further, there exists a link  $i$  such that*

$$\rho(\text{diag}(\gamma^*)(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_l^\top)) \leq \rho(\text{diag}(\gamma^*)(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_i)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_i^\top)) = 1$$

*for all  $l$ . Further,  $\mathbf{p}^*$  is the Perron eigenvector of  $\text{diag}(\gamma^*)(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_i)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_i^\top)$  for some  $i$  corresponding to Perron eigenvalue of 1.*

# Nonnegative Matrix Theory: Minimax Theorem

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- **Theorem 6.** *Friedland-Karlin inequality [FriedlandKarlin'75]: For any irreducible nonnegative matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ ,*

$$\prod_l ((\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z})_l / z_l)^{x_l y_l} \geq \rho(\mathbf{A})$$

*for all strictly positive  $\mathbf{z}$ , where  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are the Perron and left eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$  respectively. Equality holds in (1) if and only if  $\mathbf{z} = a\mathbf{x}$  for some positive  $a$ .*

- Donsker-Varadhan's variational principle (1975):

$$\max_{\boldsymbol{\lambda} \geq 0, \mathbf{1}^\top \boldsymbol{\lambda} = 1} \min_{\mathbf{p} \geq 0} \sum_l \lambda_l \frac{(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p})_l}{p_l} = \min_{\mathbf{p} \geq 0} \max_{\boldsymbol{\lambda} \geq 0, \mathbf{1}^\top \boldsymbol{\lambda} = 1} \sum_l \lambda_l \frac{(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{p})_l}{p_l}$$

- Extensions (see [FriedlandTan'08])

# Sum Shannon Rate Global Optimization

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- Convert into **concave minimization** (dB domain)

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{maximize} & \sum_l w_l \log(1 + \exp(\tilde{\gamma}_l)) \\ \text{subject to} & \log \rho(\text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}))(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_l^\top)) \leq 0 \quad \forall l, \\ \text{variables:} & \tilde{\gamma}_l, \quad \forall l.\end{array}$$

- Relaxation of the constraint set by the **Friedland-Karlin Inequalities**:

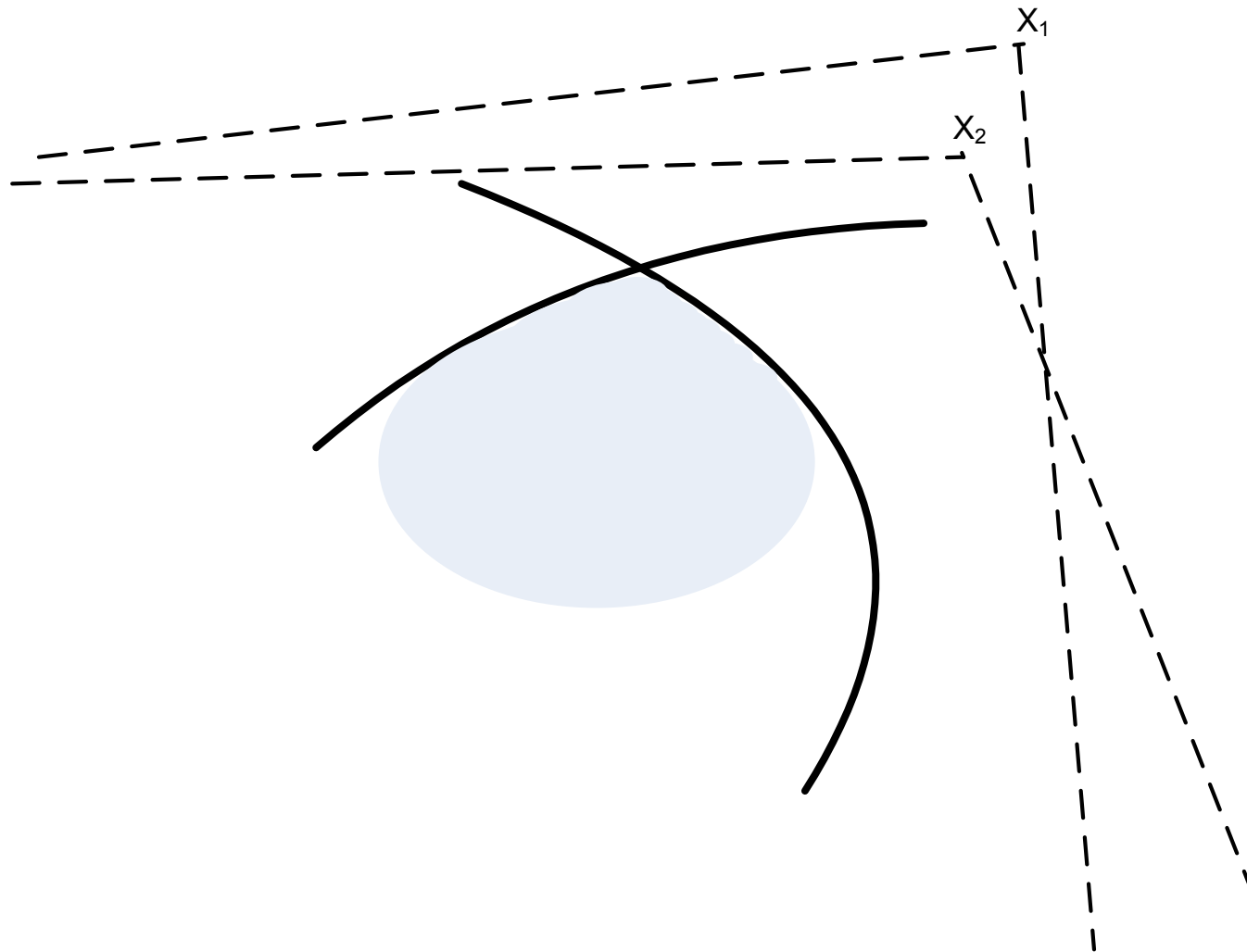
$$\prod_l \gamma_l^{x_l(\mathbf{A})y_l(\mathbf{A})} \rho(\mathbf{A}) \leq \rho(\text{diag}(\gamma)\mathbf{A})$$

$$\sum_l x_l(\mathbf{A})y_l(\mathbf{A})\tilde{\gamma}_l + \log \rho(\mathbf{A}) \leq \log \rho(\text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}))\mathbf{A}) \quad (\text{dB domain}).$$

- Outer approximation algorithm (**Kelley's cutting planes**)

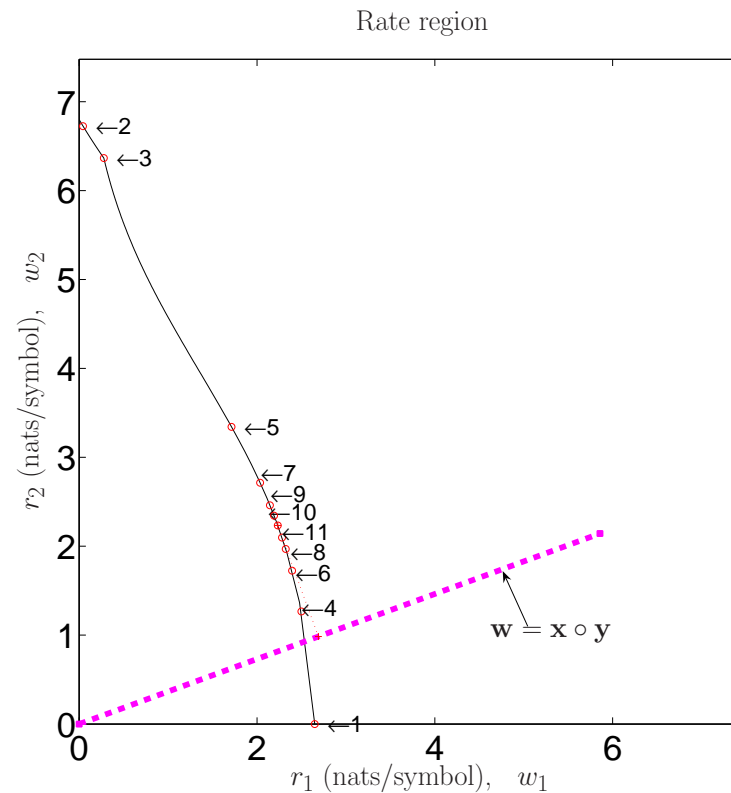
# Outer Approximation Algorithm Illustration

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# Global Optimizing Sum Rate: Examples

- $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \min \left\{ \left( \mathbf{I} - \text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k)) \mathbf{F} \right)^{-1} \text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k)) \mathbf{v}, \bar{p}_l \right\} = \mathbf{p}^*$
- Efficient and fast for small to medium-sized networks



# Extensions 1

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- How to realize  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} \geq \mathbf{0}$ :
  - Joint **scheduling** & power control (INFOCOM 2009)
  - Joint **beamforming** & power control (IEEE ISIT 2009 submission)
- **Cone nonnegativity** and **nonconvexity** (American Institute of Mathematics (AIM) Workshop 2008)
- Extension to multiple tone model, e.g., **OFDM,DSL**:

$$\max_{\sum_{k=1}^K p_{l,k} \leq \bar{p}_l \ \forall l} \sum_{l=1}^L w_l \sum_{k=1}^K \log(1 + \gamma_{l,k}(\mathbf{p})),$$

where

$$\gamma_{l,k} = g_{ll,k} p_{l,k} / \left( \sum_{j \neq l} g_{lj,k} p_{j,k} + n_{l,k} \right)$$

is the SIR of  $l$ th user at tone  $k$



# Extensions 2

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- minimize  $\sum_{l=1}^L w_l \frac{1}{1+\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p})}$   
subject to  $\sum_{l=1}^L p_l \leq \bar{P}, \quad p_l \geq 0 \quad \forall l.$   
variables:  $p_l \quad \forall l$
- C. W. Tan, M. Chiang and R. Srikant, *Sum Rate Maximization and MSE Minimization on Multiuser Downlink: Optimality, Fast Algorithms and Equivalence via Max-min SIR*, submitted to IEEE Intern. Symp. of Information Theory, 2009.
- Max-min SIR problem: First distributed fast algorithm with geometric convergence rate to optimize **transmit beamforming** and **power**

# Robust, Fragile or Optimal?

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- ‘Optimal yet Fragile’ power control algorithm:

- Distributed Power Control (DPC):

$$p_l(k+1) = \frac{\gamma_l}{\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}(k))} p_l(k) \quad \forall l.$$

- ‘Robust yet Fragile’ power control algorithm

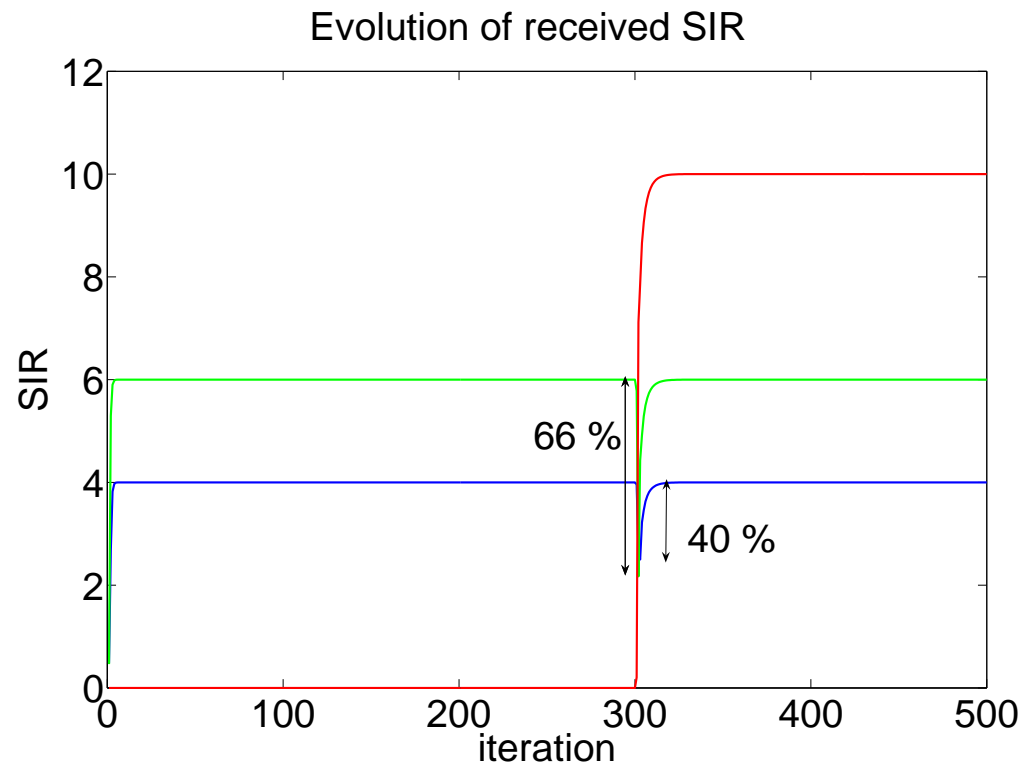
- ‘Robust yet Optimal’ power control algorithm

Tan, Palomar and Chiang, *Energy-Robustness Tradeoff in Cellular Network Power Control*,  
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# SIR Outage When A New User Enters

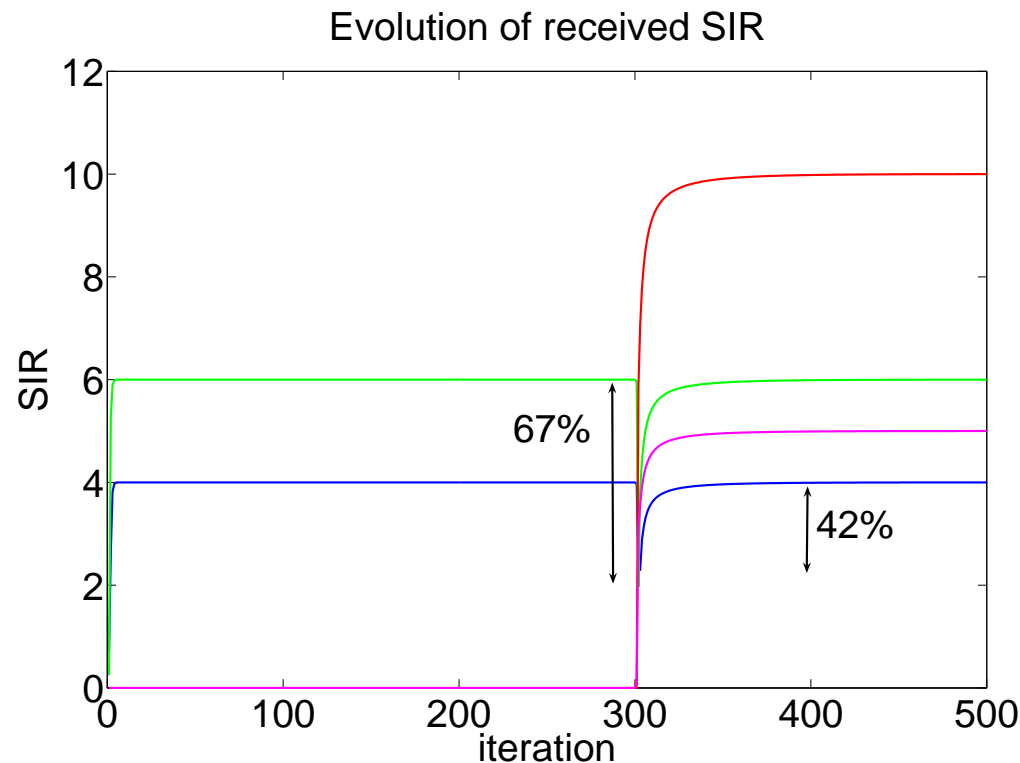
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- SIR's drop below 40 – 66%!



# SIR Outage When Two New Users Enter

- SIR's drop below 42 – 67%! Dip **worsens** with **congestion**!



# Algorithm DPC/ALP

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- Distributed Power Control with Active Link Protection (DPC-ALP) by Bambos et al, IEEE/ACM Transaction on Networking, 2000
- Each user updates the transmitter powers  $p_l(k+1)$  at the  $(k+1)$ th step according to the following rule:

$$p_l(k+1) = \begin{cases} \frac{(1+\epsilon)\gamma_l}{\text{SIR}_l(k)} p_l(k), & \text{if } \text{SIR}_l(k) \geq \gamma_l \\ (1+\epsilon)p_l(k), & \text{if } \text{SIR}_l(k) < \gamma_l \end{cases}$$

- Open question: how to tune  $\epsilon$ ?

# Energy-Robustness Tradeoff

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- $\text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}^*) = \gamma_l$  for all  $l$ . Tightening or loosening constraint affects network objective  $\sum_l p_l^*$
- Introduce **protection margin** to SIR thresholds:
  - $\text{SIR}_l \geq \gamma_l$  for reliable transmission
  - $\text{SIR}_l \geq (1 + \epsilon)\gamma_l$  for **robust protection** against disturbances in network
- **Tradeoff** between **robustness** & **power saving**

# Sensitivity Analysis

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- Energy-Robustness Tradeoff Theorem:
  - Tightening the  $l$ th SIR threshold constraint by  $\beta_l$  percent increases the total power by approximately  $\beta_l \nu_l^* / \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{p}^*$  percent, for  $\beta_l$  small
  - Total power increment  $\approx \sum_l \beta_l \nu_l^* / \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{p}^*$  percent

# Uplink-Downlink Algorithm and Duality

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- Power update:

$$\mathbf{p}(k+1) = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\gamma})\mathbf{F}\mathbf{p}(k) + \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\gamma})\mathbf{v}$$

- Auxiliary variable update:

$$\mathbf{x}(k+1) = (\text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\gamma})\mathbf{F})^T \mathbf{x}(k) + \mathbf{1}$$

- Dual variable update (Schur product):

$$\boldsymbol{\nu}(k+1) = \mathbf{x}(k+1) \circ \mathbf{p}(k+1)$$



# Robust Power Control Problem

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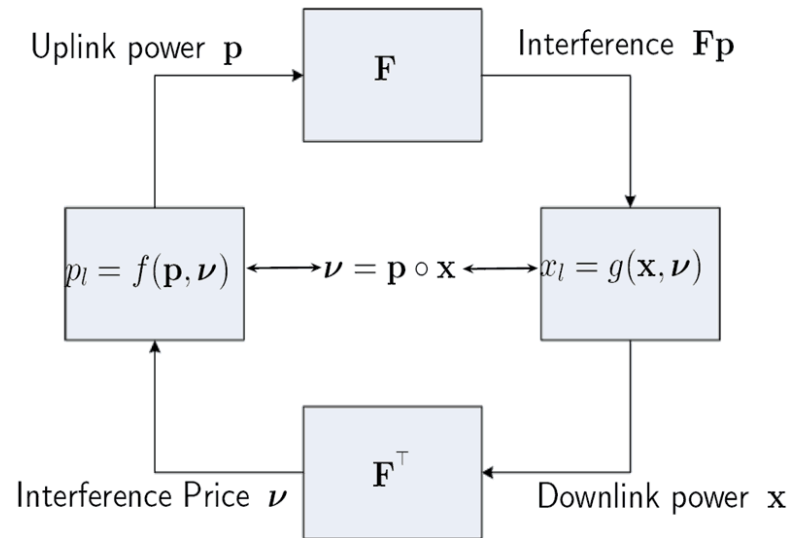
- Robust Power Control Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \sum_l p_l + \phi(\epsilon) \\ & \text{subject to} && \text{SIR}_l(\mathbf{p}) \geq \gamma_l(1 + \epsilon) \quad \forall l, \\ & && \epsilon \geq 0, p_l \geq 0 \quad \forall l \\ & \text{variables:} && p_l \forall l, \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

- Appropriate choice of  $\phi(\epsilon)$  to balance tradeoff in power cost
- Problem is nonconvex, but convex after log change of variables ( $\mathbf{p}$  &  $\epsilon$ ) and if  $\frac{\partial^2 \phi(z)/\partial z^2}{\partial \phi(z)/\partial z} \geq -1/z$

# Algorithm RDPC

- Algorithm Robust Distributed Power Control (RDPC)
- Optimize  $\mathbf{p}, \epsilon$  by inferring congestion, aided by Interference Price  $\nu$  and uplink-downlink duality



# Algorithm RDPC (Uplink)

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- Updates the transmitter powers  $p_l(k + 1)$  at the  $(k + 1)$ th step according to the following rule:

$$p_l(k + 1) = \begin{cases} \frac{(1 + \epsilon(k))\gamma_l}{\text{SIR}_l(k)} p_l(k), & \text{if } \text{SIR}_l(k) \geq \gamma_l \\ (1 + \epsilon(k)) p_l(k), & \text{if } \text{SIR}_l(k) < \gamma_l \end{cases}$$

# Algorithm RDPC (Downlink)

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- Computes  $x_l(k+1)$ , the  $l$ th component of  $\mathbf{x}(k+1)$ , using

$$\mathbf{x}(k+1) = (1 + \epsilon(k))\mathbf{F}^T \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\gamma})\mathbf{x}(k) + \mathbf{1},$$

- Computes

$$\nu_l(k+1) = x_l(k+1)p_l(k+1) \quad \forall l,$$

- Updates  $\epsilon(k+1)$  by solving

$$-\left. \frac{\partial \phi(\epsilon)}{\partial \epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=\epsilon(k+1)} (1 + \epsilon(k+1)) = \mathbf{1}^T \boldsymbol{\nu}(k+1).$$

# Optimal Energy-Robustness Tradeoff

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- Choose  $\phi(\epsilon) = \delta \log(1 + 1/\epsilon)$  (energy efficiency)
- Engineering interpretation:  
network can tolerate at most an increase of  $\delta/(\mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{p}^*)$  percent in total power
- From Energy-Robustness Tradeoff Theorem:

$$\epsilon^*(\mathbf{1}^T \boldsymbol{\nu}^*) = \delta/(\mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{p}^*)$$

- Applications
  - Interference Rise-Over-Thermal in cellular network
  - Interference Temperature in cognitive radio network

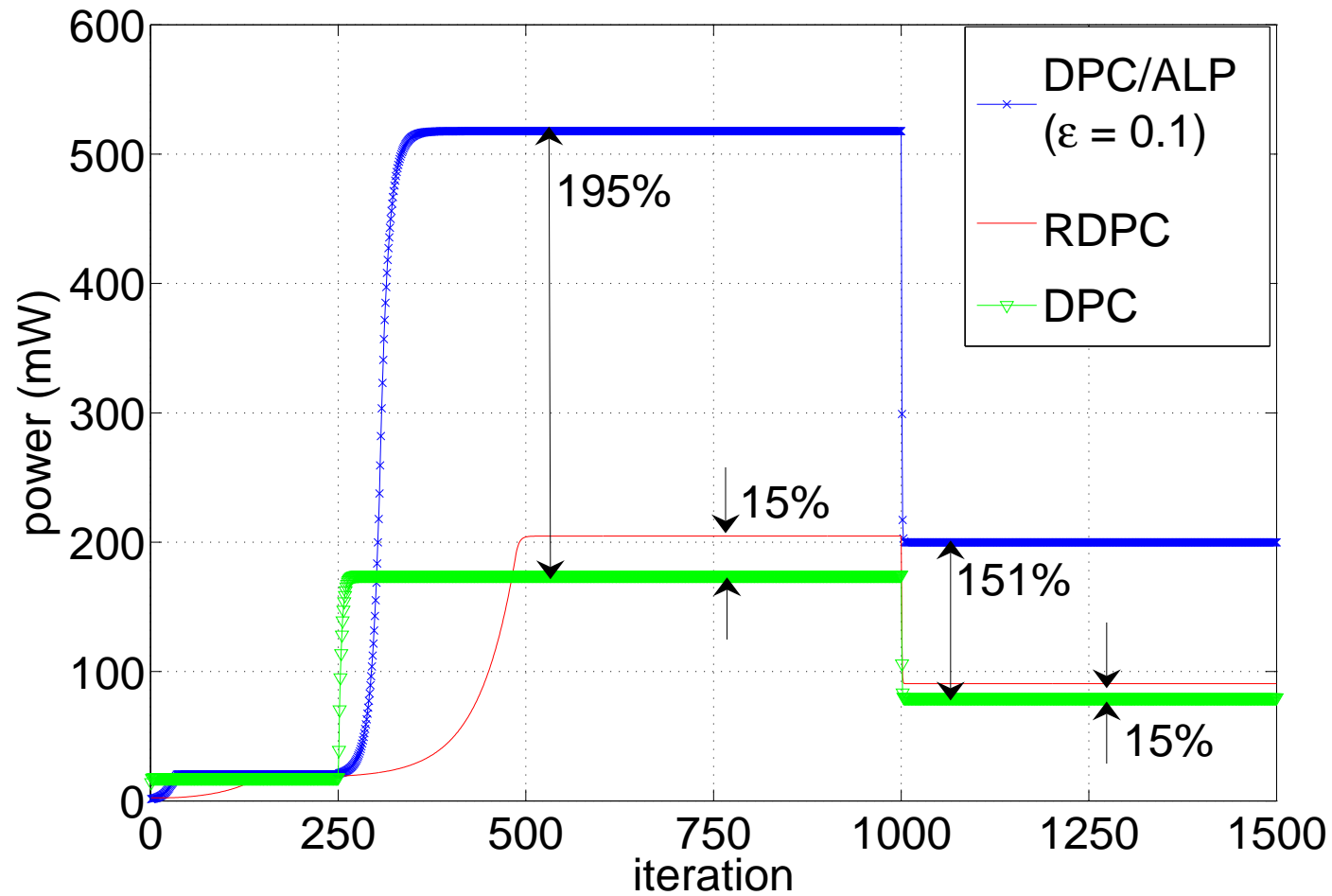
# Non-equilibrium Engineering Implication

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$$\epsilon(k) \propto \frac{1}{\mathbf{1}^T \boldsymbol{\nu}(k)} \quad \text{for all } k$$

- Quantifies the remark on choosing the parameter  $\epsilon$  in **[Bambos00]**:  
“ $\epsilon$  should be chosen such that  $(1 + \epsilon)$  should be larger when the network is uncongested, so that users power up fast, and grow smaller as congestion builds up to have more users power up more gently.”
- Different  $\phi(\epsilon)$ 's to relate  $\epsilon$  to aggregate ‘congestion price’  $\mathbf{1}^T \boldsymbol{\nu}$

# Numerical Example



# Thank You

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# Sum Rate Global Optimization: Algorithm

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## Algorithm 4. [Sum Rate Outer Approximation Algorithm]

1. *Compute the vertices of the enclosing linear polyhedron  $D^{(0)}$ , described by the set of constraints:*

$$\sum_j (\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_l^\top) \circ \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_l^\top))_j \tilde{\gamma}_j + \log \rho(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l)\mathbf{v}\mathbf{e}_l^\top) \leq 0,$$

*and  $\tilde{\gamma}_l \geq -K$  for all  $l$ . Let  $V^{(0)}$  be the set of vertices of  $D^{(0)}$ . Set  $k = 1$  and go to Step 2.*

2. *Iteration  $k$ : Solve the problem:*

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_l w_l \log(1 + e^{\tilde{\gamma}_l}) \\ & \text{subject to} && \tilde{\gamma}_l \in D^{(k-1)} \end{aligned}$$

*by selecting  $\max \{ \sum_l w_l \log(1 + e^{\tilde{\gamma}_l}) : v \in V^{(k-1)} \}$ . Let  $\tilde{\gamma}^k$  be the optimizer to (1).*

3. Compute

$$\mathbf{p}^k = \left( \mathbf{I} - \text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k)) \mathbf{F} \right)^{-1} \text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k)) \mathbf{v}.$$

4. If  $\mathbf{p}^k \leq \bar{\mathbf{p}}$ , stop:  $\tilde{\gamma}^k$  is the solution to (1) and  $\mathbf{p}^k$  is the solution to (1). Otherwise, let

$$\begin{aligned} J^k &= \{l : \log \rho(\text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k))(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_l) \mathbf{v} \mathbf{e}_l^\top)) \\ &= \max_{1 \leq j \leq L} \log \rho(\text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k))(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_j) \mathbf{v} \mathbf{e}_j^\top))\} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

and choose any  $j^k \in J^k$ .

5. Compute the left eigenvector  $\mathbf{y}_{j^k}$  and right (Perron) eigenvector  $\mathbf{x}_{j^k}$  of  $\text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k))(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_{j^k}) \mathbf{v} \mathbf{e}_{j^k}^\top)$ . Set

$$\begin{aligned} G_{j^k}^k(\tilde{\gamma}) &= \log \rho(\text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k))(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_{j^k}) \mathbf{v} \mathbf{e}_{j^k}^\top)) + \\ &\quad \frac{[\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k) \circ \mathbf{x}_{j^k} \circ \mathbf{y}_{j^k}]^\top (\tilde{\gamma} - \tilde{\gamma}^k)}{\rho(\text{diag}(\exp(\tilde{\gamma}^k))(\mathbf{F} + (1/\bar{p}_{j^k}) \mathbf{v} \mathbf{e}_{j^k}^\top))}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

6. Set  $D^{(k)} = D^{(k-1)} \cap \{\tilde{\gamma} : G_{j^k}^k(\tilde{\gamma}) \leq 0\}$ ,  $V^{(k)} = \{\text{extreme points of } D^{(k)}\}$ .

7. Set  $k \leftarrow k + 1$ . Go to Step 2.

- Step 3 yields a **feasible** power vector  $\hat{\mathbf{p}}^k$ :  $\hat{p}_l^k = \min\{p_l^k, \bar{p}_l\}$  for all  $l$ .

# Convergence of Algorithm RDPC

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- **Stability Theorem:**

The RDPC algorithm with  $\phi = \delta \log(1 + 1/\epsilon)$  (energy efficiency) is locally asymptotically stable if and only if  $(1 + \Delta/(\mathbf{p}^{\star T} \mathbf{x}^{\star}))\rho(\mathbf{F}) < 1$ .

- Nonlinear iterative map ( $\mathbf{z} = [\mathbf{p}^T \ \mathbf{x}^T]^T$ ,  $\Delta = \delta/\mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{p}^{\star}$ ):

$$f(\mathbf{z}) = \begin{bmatrix} \left(1 + \frac{\Delta}{\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{x}}\right) (\mathbf{F} \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{v}) \\ \left(1 + \frac{\Delta}{\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{x}}\right) \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix}$$