

MIMO Fundamentals and Signal Processing Course



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Objectives and Intended Audience

- This short course will give an introduction to the basic principles and signal processing for MIMO wireless links.
- Intended audience are graduate students and industry researchers
- Prerequisites:
 - General mathematical maturity.
 - Solid knowledge of linear algebra and probability theory.
 - Good understanding of digital and wireless communications.
 - Some basic coding/information theory.

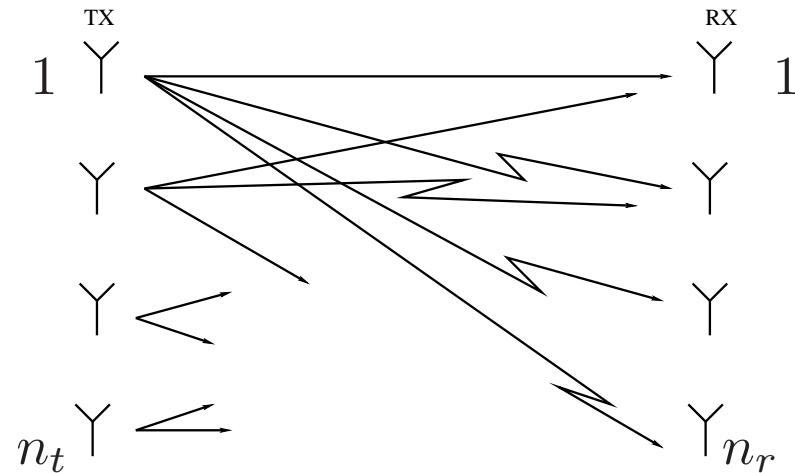
Organization

- ⇒ 4 lectures:
 - Le 1: MIMO fundamentals
 - Le 2: Low-complexity MIMO
 - Le 3: MIMO receivers
 - Le 4: MIMO in 3G-LTE (by P. Frenger, Ericsson Research)
- ⇒ Reading, in addition to course notes:
 - ➡ Le 1: D. Tse & P. Viswanath, Fundamentals of Wireless Communications, Cambridge Univ. Press 2005, Chs. 7–8
 - ➡ Le 2: E. G. Larsson & P. Stoica, Space-time block coding for wireless communications, Cambridge Univ. Press 2003, Chs. 2, 4–8
 - ➡ Le 3: E. G. Larsson, "MIMO detection methods: How they work", IEEE SP Magazine, pp. 91–95, May 2009
- ⇒ Examination (for Ph.D. students): TBD

Le 1: MIMO fundamentals

Basic channel model

- Flat fading; linear, time-invariant channel



- Complex data $\{x_1, \dots, x_{n_t}\}$ are transmitted via the n_t antennas

- Received data: $y_m = \sum_{n=1}^{n_t} h_{m,n} x_n + e_m$

Basic MIMO Input-Output Relation

- Transmission model (single time interval):

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_r} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{y} \text{ (RX data)}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1} & \cdots & h_{1,n_t} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ h_{n_r,1} & \cdots & h_{n_r,n_t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{H} \text{ (channel)}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n_t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{x} \text{ (TX data)}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ \vdots \\ e_{n_r} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{e} \text{ (noise)}}$$

- Transmission model (N time intervals):

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_{1,1} & \cdots & y_{1,N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ y_{n_r,1} & \cdots & y_{n_r,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{Y}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1} & \cdots & h_{1,n_t} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ h_{n_r,1} & \cdots & h_{n_r,n_t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{H}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & \cdots & x_{1,N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n_t,1} & \cdots & x_{n_t,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{\substack{\boldsymbol{X} \in \mathcal{X} \\ \text{"code matrix"}}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e_{1,1} & \cdots & e_{1,N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e_{n_r,1} & \cdots & e_{n_r,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{E}}$$

- AWGN: $e_{k,l} \sim N(0, N_0)$, i.i.d.

MIMO Design Space

- ⇒ Fast fading: codeword spans ∞ number of channel realizations
Channel can be time- or frequency-variant (e.g., MIMO-OFDM), or both
- ⇒ Slow fading: codeword spans one channel realization
- ⇒ For point-to-point MIMO, four basic cases (reality inbetween)

	Fast fading	Slow fading
Channel unknown at TX	V-BLAST optimal no coding across antennas	V-BLAST suboptimal coding across antennas D-BLAST optimal
Channel known at TX	waterfilling over space& time	waterfilling over space

Slow fading, full CSI at TX

- ▷ Deterministic channel, known at TX and RX

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e} \quad \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{C}^{n_r \times n_t}$$

- ▷ Power constraint: $E[||\mathbf{x}||^2] \leq P$
- ▷ \mathbf{e} is white noise, $N(\mathbf{0}, N_0 \mathbf{I})$
- ▷ SVD: $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{U} \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \mathbf{V}^H, \quad \mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \mathbf{V}^H \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}$
- ▷ Dimensions: $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{C}^{n_r \times n_r}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_r \times n_t}, \quad \mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{C}^{n_t \times n_t}$

⇒ Introduce transform: $\mathbf{y} = \underbrace{\mathbf{U}\Lambda\mathbf{V}^H}_{\mathbf{H}}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}} \triangleq \mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{y} = \Lambda \underbrace{\mathbf{V}^H \mathbf{x}}_{\triangleq \tilde{\mathbf{x}}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{e}}_{\triangleq \tilde{\mathbf{e}}}$$

- ⇒ $\tilde{\mathbf{e}}$ is white noise, $N(\mathbf{0}, N_0 \mathbf{I})$
- ⇒ $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ is precoded TX data. Note: $E[||\tilde{\mathbf{x}}||^2] = E[||\mathbf{x}||^2]$
- ⇒ Equivalent model with parallel channels: ($n = \text{rank}(\mathbf{H})$)

$$\tilde{y}_1 = \lambda_1 \tilde{x}_1 + \tilde{e}_1$$

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$$\tilde{y}_n = \lambda_n \tilde{x}_n + \tilde{e}_n$$

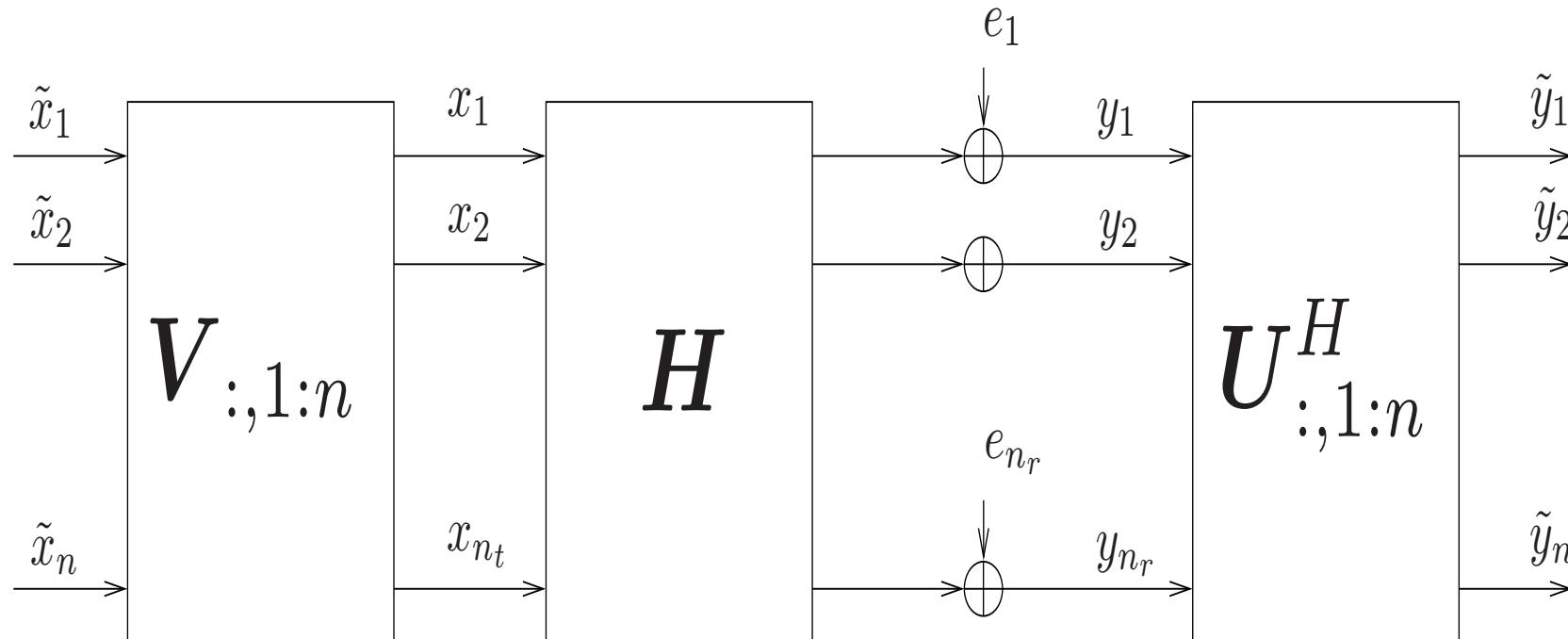
- ⇒ No gain by coding across streams ⇒ \tilde{x}_k independent
- ⇒ Operational meaning is multistream beamforming:

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{k=1}^n \tilde{x}_k \mathbf{v}_k$$

- ⇒ n indep. streams $\{\tilde{x}_k\}$ are transmitted over orthogonal beams $\{\mathbf{v}_k\}$
- ⇒ We'll assume that each stream \tilde{x}_k has power P_k
- ⇒ In the special case of $n = 1$ (rank one channel), then we have MRT:

$$\mathbf{H} = \lambda \mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}^H \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{x} = \tilde{x} \mathbf{v}$$

Architecture



- ◻ \tilde{x}_k are independent streams with powers P_k and rates R_k

Optimal power allocation over n subchannels

- Each subchannel can offer the rate

$$C_k = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P_k}{N_0} \lambda_k^2 \right) \quad (\text{bits/cu})$$

- The power constraint is

$$E[|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}|^2] = E[|\mathbf{x}|^2] = \sum_{k=1}^n P_k \leq P$$

- Optimal power allocation P_1^*, \dots, P_n^*

$$\max_{P_k, \sum_{k=1}^n P_k \leq P} \sum_{k=1}^n C_k \iff \boxed{\max_{P_k, \sum_{k=1}^n P_k \leq P} \sum_{k=1}^n \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P_k}{N_0} \lambda_k^2 \right)}$$

Waterfilling solution

⇒ Problem:

$$\max_{P_k, \sum_{k=1}^n P_k \leq P} \sum_{k=1}^n \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P_k}{N_0} \lambda_k^2 \right)$$

⇒ Solution: (need solve for μ)

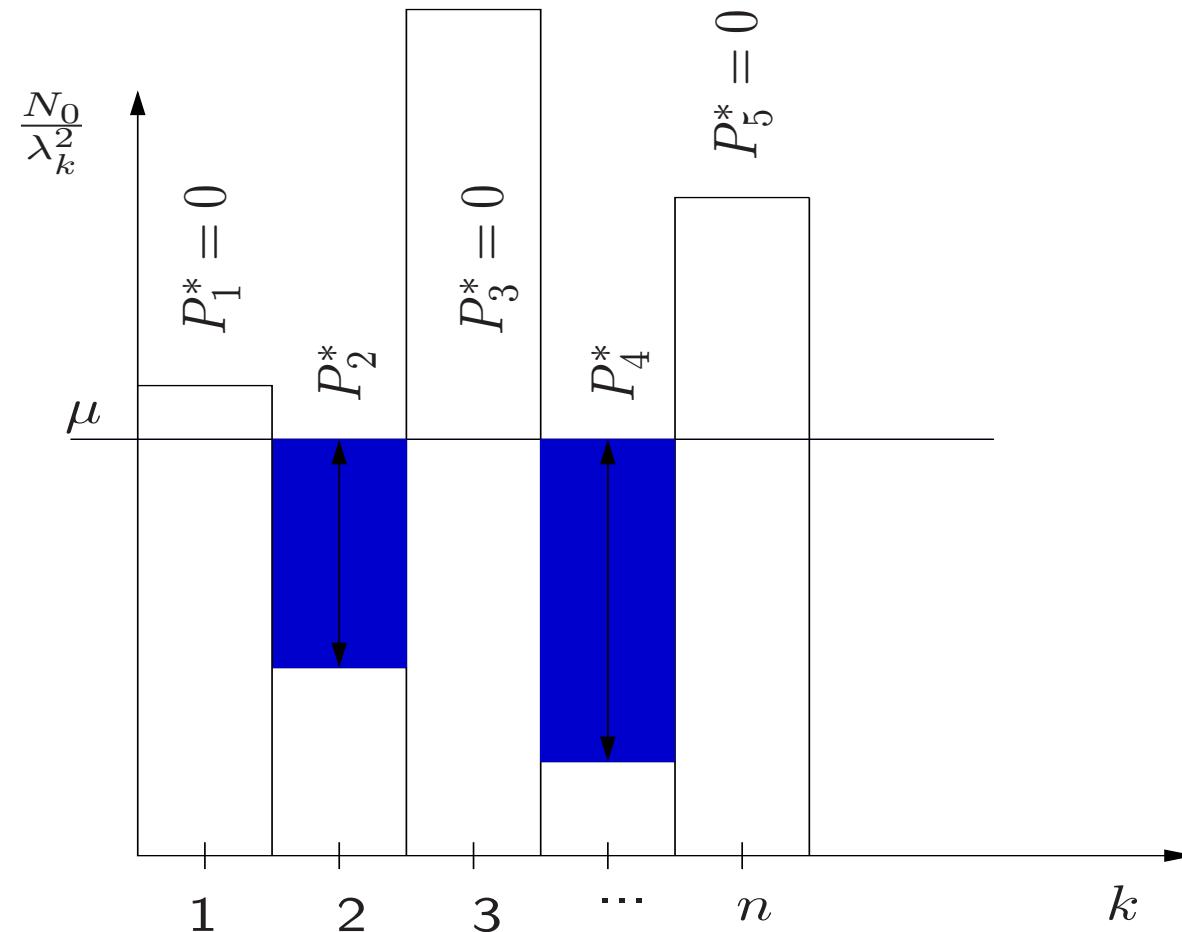
$$C = \sum_{k=1}^n \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P_k^* \lambda_k^2}{N_0} \right)$$

$$P_k^* = \left(\mu - \frac{N_0}{\lambda_k^2} \right)^+, \quad \sum_{k=1}^n P_k^* = P$$

⇒ Special case: $\mathbf{H} = \lambda \mathbf{u} \mathbf{v}^H$. Transmit one stream

$$C = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P}{N_0} \lambda^2 \right) = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P}{N_0} \|\mathbf{H}\|^2 \right)$$

Waterfilling solution



Waterfilling at high SNR

- At high SNR, the water is deep, so $P_k^* \approx \frac{P}{n}$ and

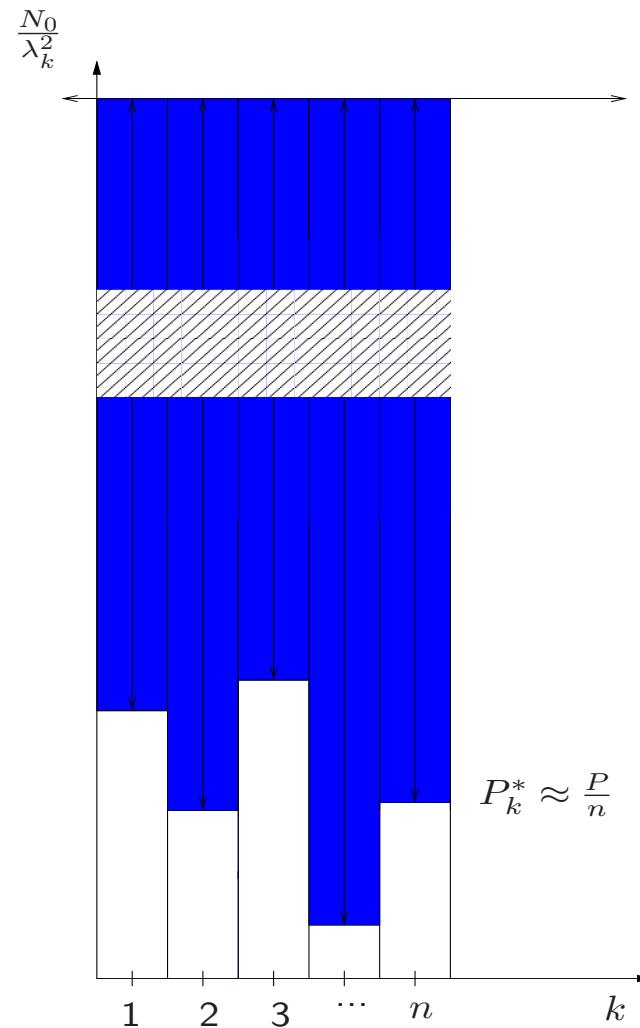
$$C = \sum_{k=1}^n C_k \approx \sum_{k=1}^n \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P}{N_0} \frac{\lambda_k^2}{n} \right) \approx n \cdot \log_2 \left(\frac{P}{N_0} \right) + \sum_{k=1}^n \log_2 \left(\frac{\lambda_k^2}{n} \right)$$

- With $\text{SNR} \triangleq P/N_0$, we have $C \sim n \log_2(\text{SNR})$. We say that

The channel offers $n = \text{rank}(\mathbf{H})$ **degrees of freedom (DoF)**

- Best capacity for well conditioned \mathbf{H} (all λ_k 's equal)
- Transmit n equipowered data streams spread on orthogonal beams
- Channel knowledge \sim unimportant
- No coding across streams

Waterfilling at high SNR



Waterfilling at low SNR

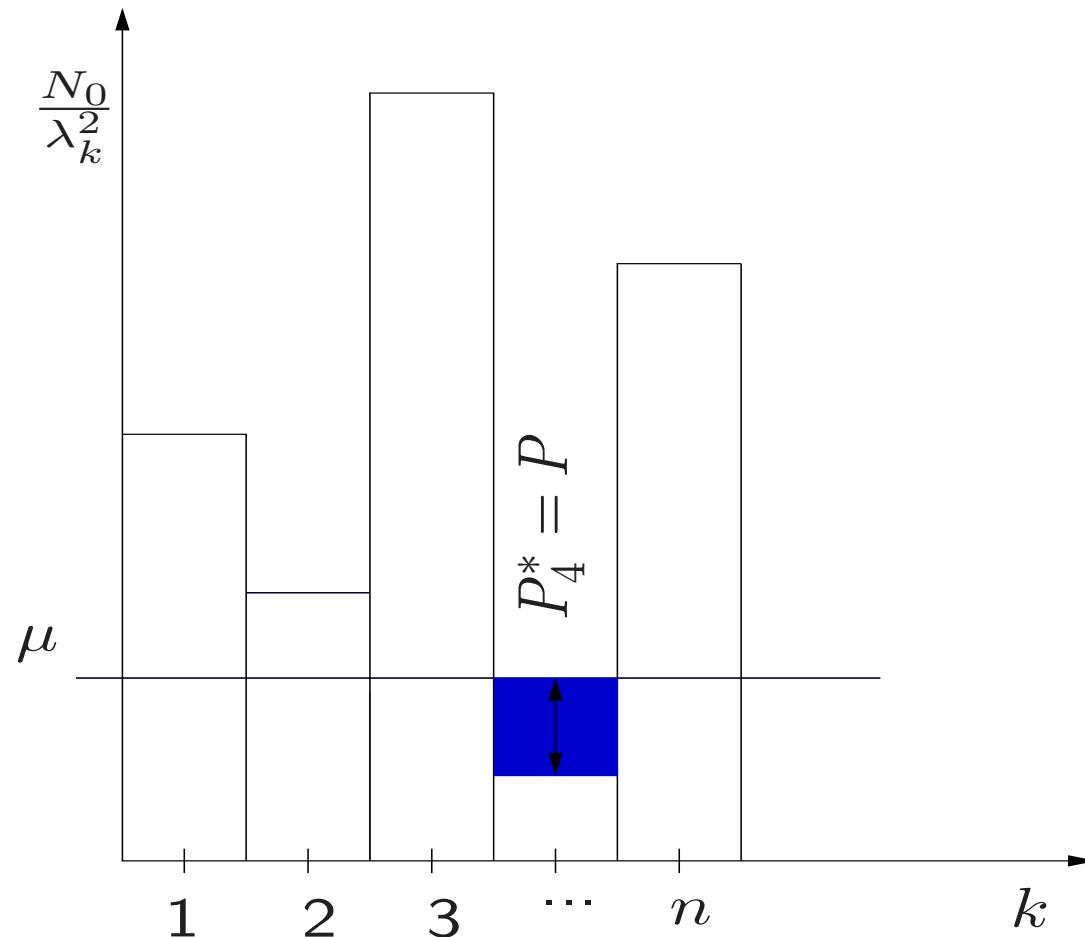
- ◻ At low SNR, the water is shallow. Then

$$P_k^* = \begin{cases} P, & k = \operatorname{argmax} \lambda_k^2 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$C = \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P}{N_0} \lambda_{\max}^2 \right) \approx \left(\frac{P}{N_0} \lambda_{\max}^2 \right) \cdot \log_2(e)$$

- ◻ MIMO provides an array gain (power gain of λ_{\max}^2) but no DoF gains.
- ◻ Channel rank does not matter, only power matters.
- ◻ Transmit one beam in the direction associated with largest λ_k
- ◻ Knowing H is very important! (to select what beam to use)

Waterfilling at low SNR



In practice

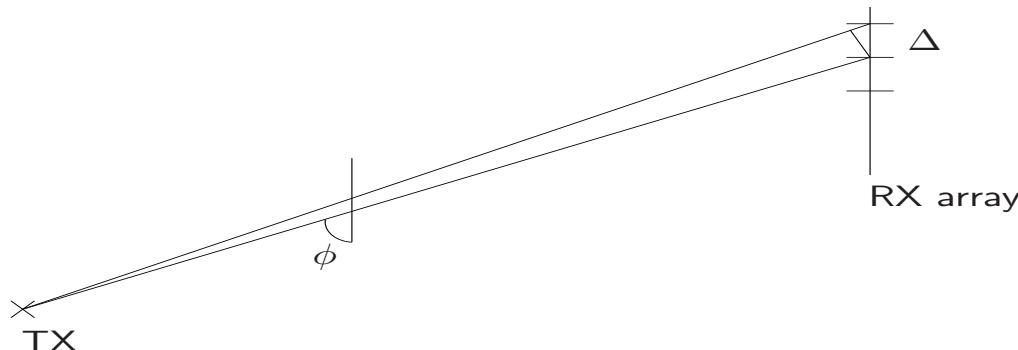
- ▷ Feedback of channel state information, requires quantization
- ▷ Potentially, by scheduling only “good” users, one may always operate at high SNR
- ▷ Selection of modulation scheme
 - e.g., M -QAM per subchannel, different M
 - better channel, larger constellation
 - should be done with outer code in mind
- ▷ Imperfect CSI ➔ cross-talk!

MIMO channel models

- ⇒ MIMO channel modeling is a rich research field, with both empirical (measurement) work and theoretical models.
- ⇒ We will explore the main underlying physical phenomena of MIMO propagation and how they connect to the DoF concept.

Line-of-sight SIMO channel

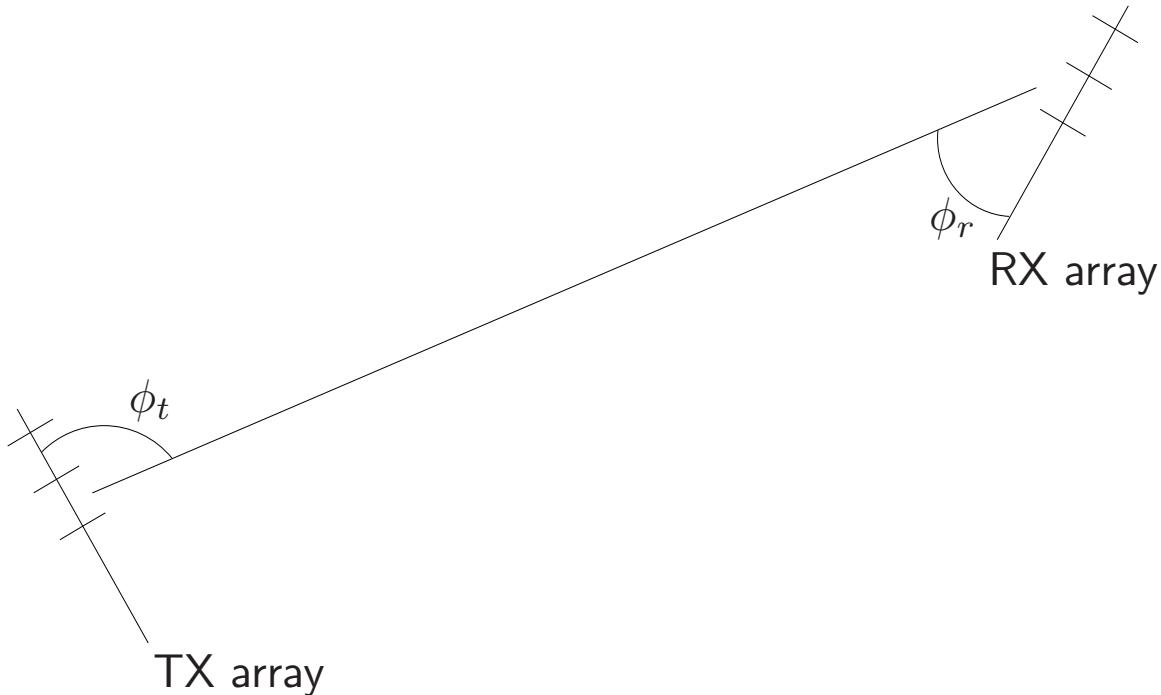
- Consider m -ULA at TX and RX, wavelength $\lambda = c/f_c$, ant. spacing Δ



- Let $\mathbf{u}(\phi) \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\Delta \cos \phi} \\ \vdots \\ e^{-j(m-1)\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\Delta \cos \phi} \end{bmatrix}$
- Signal from point source impinging on RX array (large TX-RX distance):

$$\mathbf{y} = \alpha \mathbf{u}(\phi) \cdot \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e}, \quad (\alpha \in \mathbb{C}, \text{ dep. on distance})$$

Line-of-sight MIMO channel



- ⇒ MIMO channel: $\mathbf{y} = \alpha \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{u}(\phi_r)}_{n_r \times 1} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{u}(\phi_t)}_{n_t \times 1}^H \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}, \quad n = \text{rank}(\mathbf{H}) = 1$
- ⇒ The LoS-MIMO channel has rank one, so no DoF gain!

Lobes and resolvability

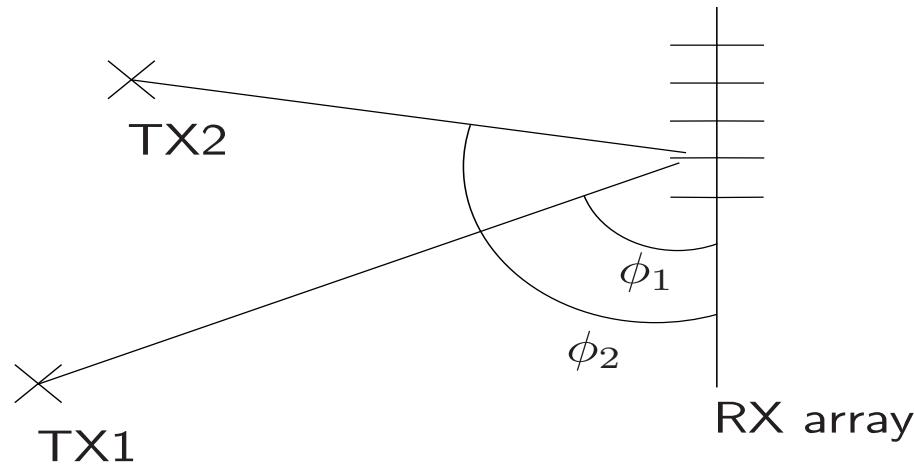
- Consider unit-power point sources at ϕ_1, ϕ_2 with sign. $\mathbf{u}(\phi_1), \mathbf{u}(\phi_2)$. How similar do these signatures look?

$$\frac{1}{m} \|s_1 \mathbf{u}(\phi_1) - s_2 \mathbf{u}(\phi_2)\|^2 = 2 - 2\operatorname{Re} \left(s_1^* s_2 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{m} \mathbf{u}^H(\phi_1) \mathbf{u}(\phi_2)}_{|\cdot|=f(\cdot)} \right)$$

where the lobe pattern $f(\cos(\phi_1) - \cos(\phi_2)) \triangleq \frac{1}{m} |\mathbf{u}^H(\phi_1) \mathbf{u}(\phi_2)|$.

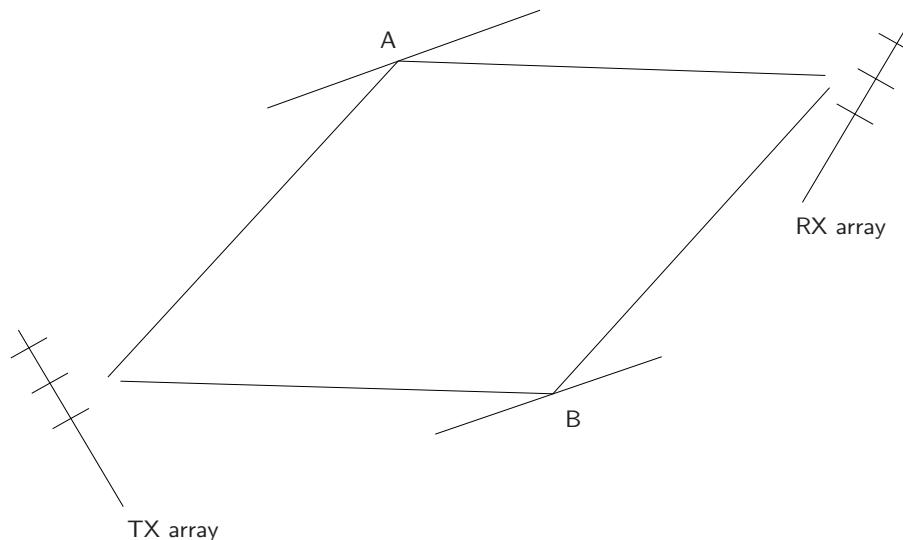
- If $f(\cdot) < 1$, then ϕ_1, ϕ_2 resolvable.
- Resolvability criterion: $|\cos \phi_1 - \cos \phi_2| \geq \frac{2\pi}{A}$, $A \triangleq (m-1)\Delta$
- Grating lobes avoided if $\Delta \leq \frac{\lambda}{2} \Rightarrow A \leq (m-1)\frac{\lambda}{2}$.

Two separated point sources and an m -receive-array



- ⇒ Define $\mathbf{H} = [\mathbf{h}_1 \quad \mathbf{h}_2]$, $\mathbf{h}_i = \alpha_i \mathbf{u}(\phi_i)$
- ⇒ Condition number $\kappa(\mathbf{H}) = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{H})}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{H})} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + f(\cos(\phi_1) - \cos(\phi_2))}{1 - f(\cos(\phi_1) - \cos(\phi_2))}}$
- ⇒ $\kappa(\mathbf{H})$ is small if $f(\dots) \neq 1 \Leftrightarrow \phi_1, \phi_2$ resolvable $\Leftrightarrow |\cos \phi_1 - \cos \phi_2| > \frac{2\pi}{A}$

MIMO with two plane scatters



- ◻ Here, $\mathbf{H}_{\text{TX-RX}} = \mathbf{H}_{\text{AB-RX}} \cdot \mathbf{H}_{\text{TX-AB}}$
- ◻ We have $\text{rank}(\mathbf{H}_{\text{TX-RX}}) = 2$
only if $\text{rank}(\mathbf{H}_{\text{AB-RX}}) = 2$ and $\text{rank}(\mathbf{H}_{\text{TX-AB}}) = 2$
- ◻ For \mathbf{H} to offer 2 DoF, A and B must be sufficiently separated in angle₂₄
as seen both from TX and RX

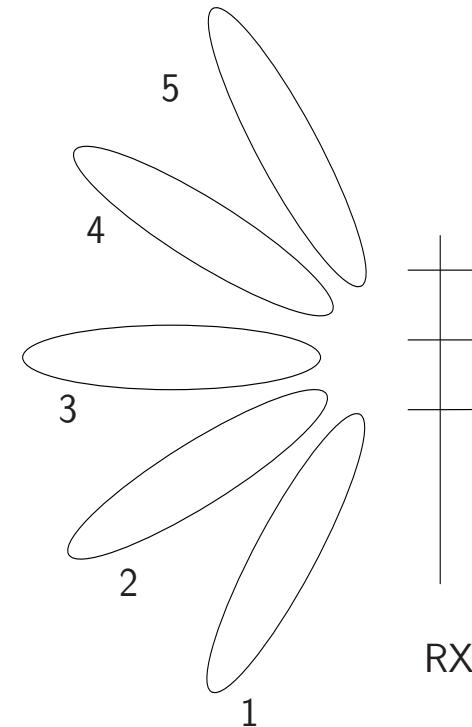
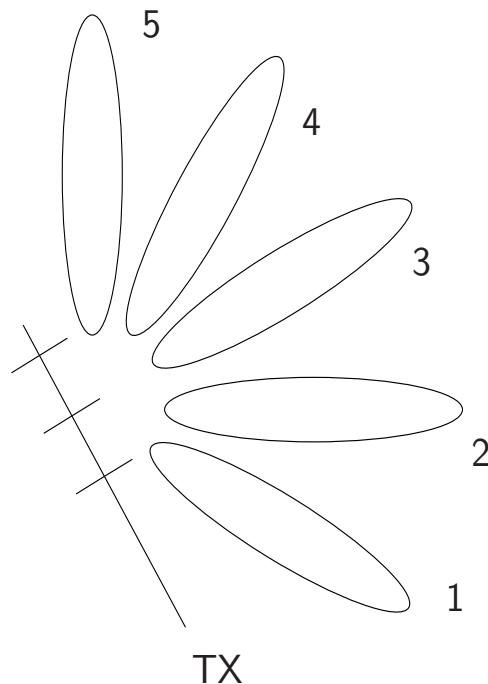
Angular decomposition of MIMO channel

- ◻ For $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_m$ define

$$\mathbf{U} \triangleq \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} [\mathbf{u}(\phi_1) \ \cdots \ \mathbf{u}(\phi_m)]$$

- ◻ Can show: With $\cos(\phi_k) = k/m$, $\{\mathbf{u}(\phi_k)\}$ forms ON-basis.
Then $\mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}$.
- ◻ Let \mathbf{U}_r and \mathbf{U}_t be the \mathbf{U} matrices associated with the TX and RX arrays. Note that $\mathbf{U}_r^H \mathbf{U}_r = \mathbf{I}$ and $\mathbf{U}_t^H \mathbf{U}_t = \mathbf{I}$
- ◻ If $\Delta = \lambda/2$, then $\mathbf{u}(\phi_i)$ correspond to simple, perfectly resolvable beams, with a single mainlobe.
- ◻ We assume $\Delta = \lambda/2$ from now on.
The case of $\Delta \neq \lambda/2$ is more involved.

Angular decomposition, cont.



Angular decomposition, cont.

⇒ Now define

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{H}_a &\triangleq \mathbf{U}_r^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{U}_t \\
 \Rightarrow H_{a,(k,l)} &= \mathbf{u}^H(\phi_k^r) \mathbf{H} \mathbf{u}(\phi_l^t) \\
 &= \mathbf{u}^H(\phi_k^r) \underbrace{\left[\sum_i \alpha_i \mathbf{u}(\phi_i'^r) \mathbf{u}^H(\phi_i'^t) \right]}_{\text{physical model}} \mathbf{u}(\phi_l^t) \\
 &= \sum_i \alpha_i \left(\underbrace{\mathbf{u}^H(\phi_k^r) \mathbf{u}(\phi_i'^r)}_{=0 \text{ unless } \phi_i'^r \text{ falls in lobe } \phi_k^r} \right) \cdot \left(\underbrace{\mathbf{u}^H(\phi_i'^t) \mathbf{u}(\phi_l^t)}_{=0 \text{ unless } \phi_i'^t \text{ falls in lobe } \phi_l^t} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- ⇒ Elements of \mathbf{H}_a correspond to different propagation paths
- ⇒ $H_{a,(k,l)}$ = gain of ray going out in TX lobe l and arriving in RX lobe k

Angular decomposition, key points

- ▷ “Rich scattering” if all angular bins filled (H_a has “no zeros”)
- ▷ “Diversity order”
 - = measure of error resilience
 - = number of propagation paths
 - = number of nonzero elements in H_a
- ▷ Number of DoF
 - = $\text{rank}(H)$
 - = $\text{rank}(H_a)$
- ▷ If $H_{a,(k,l)}$ are i.i.d. then $H_{k,l}$ are i.i.d.
- ▷ With i.i.d. H_a and many terms in \sum , then we get i.i.d. Rayleigh fading.

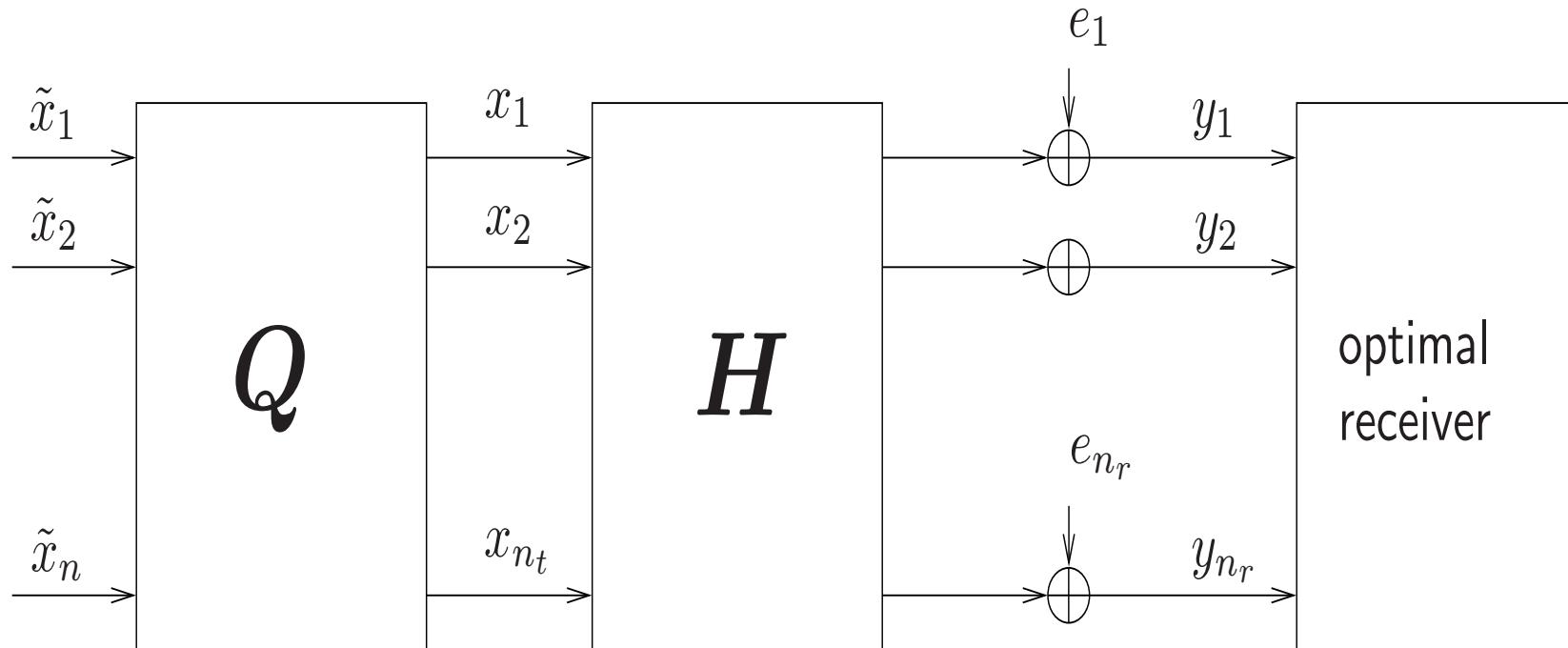
Fast fading, no CSI at TX

- ⇒ Each codeword spans ∞ number of H
- ⇒ The V-BLAST architecture is optimal here
Note: Reminiscent of architecture for slow fading and full CSI@TX
- ⇒ Transmit vectors

$$\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{Q}\tilde{\boldsymbol{x}}$$

where $\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_n$ are independent streams with powers P_k and rates R_k

V-BLAST architecture



- ◻ Transmit covariance: $\mathbf{K}_x \triangleq \text{cov}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{Q} \begin{bmatrix} P_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_n \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}^H$
- ◻ Achievable rate, for fixed \mathbf{H} :

$$R = \log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{N_0} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{H}^H \right|$$

- ◻ Intuition: Volume of noise ball is $|N_0 \mathbf{I}|^N$.
Volume of signal ball is $|\mathbf{H} \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{H}^H + N_o \mathbf{I}|^N$.

- ⇒ Fast fading, coding over ∞ number of \mathbf{H} matrices gives ergodic capacity

$$C = E \left[\log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{N_0} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{H}^H \right| \right]$$

- ⇒ Choose \mathbf{Q} and P_k to

$$\max_{\mathbf{K}_x, \text{Tr}(\mathbf{K}_x) \leq P} E \left[\log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{N_0} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{H}^H \right| \right]$$

- ⇒ Optimal \mathbf{K}_x depends on the statistics of \mathbf{H}

- ◻ In i.i.d. Rayleigh fading, $\mathbf{K}_x^* = \frac{P}{n_t} \mathbf{I}$ (i.i.d. streams) and

$$C = E \left[\log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{P}{N_0 n_t} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^H \right| \right] = \sum_{k=1}^n E \left[\log_2 \left(1 + \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_t} \lambda_k^2 \right) \right]$$

where

$$n = \text{rank}(\mathbf{H}) = \min(n_r, n_t)$$

$$\text{SNR} \triangleq \frac{P}{N_0}$$

$\{\lambda_k\}$ are the singular values of \mathbf{H}

- ➡ Antennas then transmit separate streams.
- ➡ Coding across antennas is unimportant.

Some special cases

- ⇒ SISO: $n_t = n_r = 1$

$$C = E[\log_2(1 + \text{SNR}|h|^2)]$$

At high SNR, the loss is -0.83 bpcu relative to AWGN channel

- ⇒ SIMO: $n_t = 1$ (power gain relative to SISO)

$$C = E\left[\log_2\left(1 + \text{SNR} \sum_{k=1}^{n_r} |h_k|^2\right)\right]$$

- ⇒ MISO: $n_r = 1$ (no power gain relative to SISO)

$$C = E\left[\log_2\left(1 + \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_t} \sum_{k=1}^{n_t} |h_k|^2\right)\right]$$

Large arrays (infinite apertures)

- ◻ Large MISO (n_t TX, 1 RX) becomes AWGN channel:

$$C = E \left[\log_2 \left(1 + \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_t} \sum_{k=1}^{n_t} |h_k|^2 \right) \right] \rightarrow \log_2(1 + \text{SNR})$$

- ◻ Large SIMO (1 TX, n_r RX)

$$C = E \left[\log_2 \left(1 + \text{SNR} \sum_{k=1}^{n_r} |h_k|^2 \right) \right] \approx \log_2(n_r \text{SNR}) = \log_2(n_r) + \log_2(\text{SNR})$$

- ◻ Large square MIMO (n_t TX, n_r RX, $n_r = n_t = n$): Linear incr. with n :

$$C \approx n \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^4 \left(\log_2(1 + t \cdot \text{SNR}) \sqrt{\frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{4}} \right) dt \right)$$

Fast fading, no CSI at TX, high SNR

- ⇒ Here

$$C = \sum_{k=1}^n E \left[\log_2 \left(1 + \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_t} \lambda_k^2 \right) \right] \approx n \log_2(\text{SNR}) + \text{const}$$

- ⇒ Both n_r and n_t must be large to provide DoF gain
- ⇒ “Capacity grows as $\min(n_r, n_t)$ ”

Fast fading, no CSI at TX, low SNR

- ⇒ Here

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \sum_{k=1}^n E \left[\log_2 \left(1 + \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_t} \lambda_k^2 \right) \right] \approx \log_2(e) \cdot \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_t} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n E[\lambda_k^2] \\ &= \log_2(e) \cdot \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_t} \cdot \underbrace{E[\|\mathbf{H}\|^2]}_{=n_r n_t} = \log_2(e) \cdot n_r \cdot \text{SNR} \end{aligned}$$

- ⇒ Capacity independent of n_t !
- ⇒ No DoF gain. All what matters here is **power**
- ⇒ Relative to SISO, a power gain of n_r (array/beamforming gain)
- ⇒ Multiple TX antennas do not help here
(but with CSI at TX, things are very different)

V-BLAST in practice

- ▷ Transmitter architecture “simple” but the **receiver** must separate the streams ⇒ major challenge
- ▷ Problems are conceptually similar to uplink MUD in CDMA and to equalization for ISI channels
- ▷ Stream-by-stream receivers: Successive-interference-cancellation
 - ⇒ MMSE-SIC is theoretically optimal but suffers from error propagation
 - ⇒ Rate allocation necessary
- ▷ Iterative architectures
 - ⇒ Iteration between outer code and demodulator
 - ⇒ Demodulator design is major problem
- ▷ Receivers for MIMO to be discussed more in lecture 3

Fast fading, full CSI at TX

- ⇒ The transmitter can do waterfilling over both space and time
- ⇒ Parallel channels: $\tilde{y}_k[m] = \lambda_k[m]\tilde{x}_k[m] + \tilde{e}_k[m]$
 - ➡ Waterfilling over space (k) and time (m).
 - ➡ Optimal powers $P_k^*[m]$
 - ➡ Capacity

$$C = \sum_{k=1}^n E \left[\log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P^*(\lambda_k)\lambda_k^2}{N_0} \right) \right]$$

- ⇒ High SNR: $P^*(\lambda_k) \approx \frac{P}{n}$ (equal power)

$$C \approx \sum_{k=1}^n E \left[\log_2 \left(1 + \frac{\text{SNR}}{n} \lambda_k^2 \right) \right], \quad n \text{ D.o.F.}$$

An SNR gain (compared to no CSI) of

$$\frac{n_t}{n} = \frac{n_t}{\min(n_t, n_r)} = \frac{n_t}{n_r}, \quad \text{if } n_t \geq n_r$$

- ⇒ Low SNR: Even larger gain, so here multiple antennas do help!

Slow fading, no CSI at TX

- ⇒ Reliable communication for fixed \mathbf{H} if $\log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{N_0} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{H}^H \right| > R$
- ⇒ Outage probability, for fixed R : $P_{out} = P \left[\log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{N_0} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{H}^H \right| < R \right]$
- ⇒ Optimal \mathbf{K}_x as function of \mathbf{H} 's statistics:

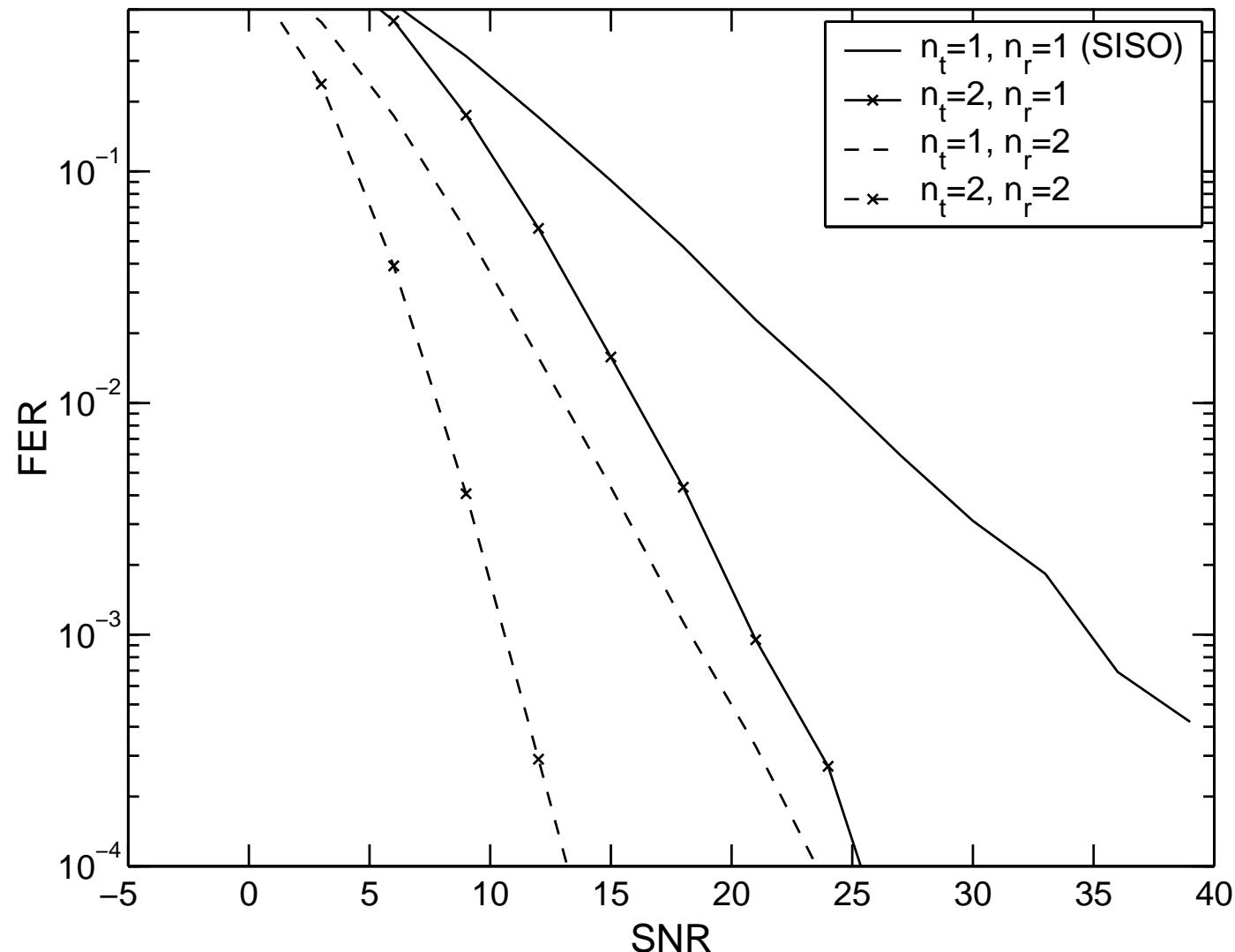
$$\mathbf{K}_x^* = \underset{\mathbf{K}_x, \text{Tr } \mathbf{K}_x \leq P}{\operatorname{argmin}} P \left[\log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{N_0} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{H}^H \right| < R \right]$$

For \mathbf{H} i.i.d. Rayleigh fading:

- ⇒ $\mathbf{K}_x^* = \frac{P}{n_t} \mathbf{I}$ optimal at large SNR
- ⇒ $\mathbf{K}_x^* = \frac{P}{n'} \operatorname{diag}\{1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0\}$ at low SNR ($n' < n_t$)

- ⇒ Notion of **diversity**: P_{out} behaves as SNR^{-d} where d =diversity order
- ⇒ Maximal diversity: $d = n_r n_t$
- ⇒ To achieve diversity, we need **coding across streams**
- ⇒ V-BLAST does not work here.
Each stream has diversity at most n_r , while the channel offers $n_r n_t$
- ⇒ Architectures for slow fading:
 - ➡ Theoretically, D-BLAST is optimal
 - ➡ Pragmatic approaches include STBC combined with FEC

Example: Outage probability at rate $R = 2$ bpcu



D-BLAST architecture

	$\mathbf{x}_B(1)$	$\mathbf{x}_B(2)$		
$\mathbf{x}_A(1)$	$\mathbf{x}_A(2)$	$\mathbf{x}_A(3)$		

- ⇒ Decoding in steps:
 1. Decode $\mathbf{x}_A(1)$
 2. Decode $\mathbf{x}_B(1)$, suppressing $\mathbf{x}_A(2)$ via MMSE
 3. Strip off $\mathbf{x}_B(1)$, and decode $\mathbf{x}_A(2)$
 4. Decode $\mathbf{x}_B(2)$, suppressing $\mathbf{x}_A(3)$ via MMSE
- ⇒ One codeword: $\mathbf{x}(i) = [\mathbf{x}_A(i) \ \mathbf{x}_B(i)]$
- ⇒ Requires appropriate rate allocation among $\mathbf{x}_A(i), \mathbf{x}_B(i)$
- ⇒ In practice, error propagation and rate loss due to initialization

Le 2: Low-complexity MIMO

Antenna diversity basics

- ⇒ Recall transmission model (single time interval):

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_r} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{y} \text{ (RX data)}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1} & \cdots & h_{1,n_t} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ h_{n_r,1} & \cdots & h_{n_r,n_t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{H} \text{ (channel)}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_{n_t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{x} \text{ (TX data)}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ \vdots \\ e_{n_r} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{e} \text{ (noise)}}$$

- ⇒ Transmission model (N time intervals):

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_{1,1} & \cdots & y_{1,N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ y_{n_r,1} & \cdots & y_{n_r,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{Y}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1} & \cdots & h_{1,n_t} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ h_{n_r,1} & \cdots & h_{n_r,n_t} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{H}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & \cdots & x_{1,N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n_t,1} & \cdots & x_{n_t,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{\substack{\boldsymbol{X} \in \mathcal{X} \\ \text{"code matrix"}}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e_{1,1} & \cdots & e_{1,N} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e_{n_r,1} & \cdots & e_{n_r,N} \end{bmatrix}}_{\boldsymbol{E}}$$

Introduction and preliminaries

- Transmitting with low error probability at fixed rate requires N large.
- For practical systems, it is often of interest to design short space-time blocks (small N) with good error probability performance. Outer FEC can then be used over these blocks.
- Throughout, we will assume Gaussian noise,

$$\boldsymbol{e} \sim N(0, N_0 \boldsymbol{I})$$

Usually, we assume i.i.d. Rayleigh fading,

$$H_{i,j} \quad \text{i.i.d. } N(0, 1)$$

Sometimes, for SIMO/MISO, we take

$$\boldsymbol{h} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{Q})$$

Receive diversity ($n_t = 1$)

- Suppose s transmitted, and \mathbf{h} known at RX.
- Receive: $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{h}s + \mathbf{e}$
- Detection of s via maximum-likelihood (in AWGN):

$$\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{h}s\|^2 = \dots = \|\mathbf{h}\|^2 \cdot |s - \hat{s}|^2 + \text{const.}, \quad \text{where } \hat{s} \triangleq \frac{\mathbf{h}^H \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{h}\|^2}$$

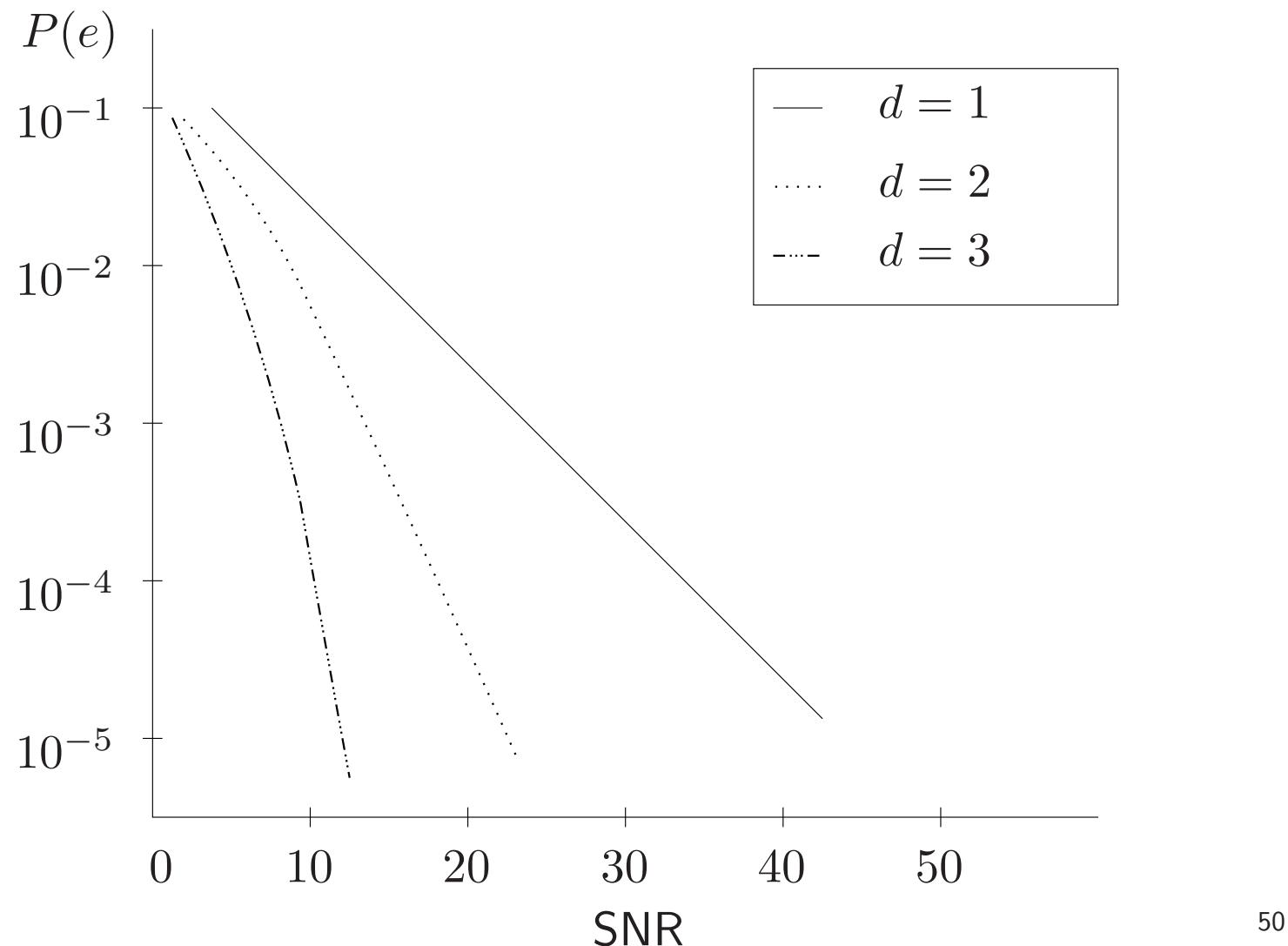
- MRC+scalar detection problem!
- Distribution of \hat{s} determines performance:

$$\hat{s} \triangleq \frac{\mathbf{h}^H \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{h}\|^2} \sim N\left(s, \frac{N_0}{\|\mathbf{h}\|^2}\right), \quad \text{SNR}_{|\mathbf{h}} = \frac{\|\mathbf{h}\|^2}{N_0} \cdot \underbrace{E[|s|^2]}_{=P} = \|\mathbf{h}\|^2 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{P}{N_0}}_{\text{SNR}}$$

Diversity order ($n \times 1$ fading vector \mathbf{h})

- ⇒ $P(e|\mathbf{h}) = Q\left(\sqrt{\text{SNR} \cdot \|\mathbf{h}\|^2}\right)$ and $\mathbf{h} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{Q})$ (SNR up to a constant)
- ⇒ Then $P(e) = E[P(e|\mathbf{h})] \leq \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{\text{SNR}}{2} \mathbf{Q} \right|^{-1} = \prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 + \frac{\text{SNR}}{2} \lambda_k(\mathbf{Q})\right)^{-1}$
- ⇒ As $\text{SNR} \rightarrow \infty$, $P(e) \leq \left(\frac{\text{SNR}}{2}\right)^{-\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q})} \cdot \frac{1}{\prod_{k=1}^{\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q})} \lambda_k(\mathbf{Q})}$
- ⇒ Diversity order $d \triangleq -\frac{\log P(e)}{\log \text{SNR}} = \text{rank}(\mathbf{Q})$
- ⇒ Note that $\left(\prod_{k=1}^n \lambda_k\right)^{1/n} \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k = \frac{1}{n} \text{Tr}\{\mathbf{Q}\} = \frac{1}{n} E[\|\mathbf{h}\|^2]$
with eq. if $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_n$ so $\mathbf{Q} \propto \mathbf{I}$ minimizes the bound on $P(e)$

Diversity order



Transmit diversity, \mathbf{H} known at transmitter

- ⇒ Try transmit $\mathbf{w} \cdot s$ where \mathbf{w} is function of \mathbf{H} ! (as we did in Le 1)
- ⇒ RX data is $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{w}s + \mathbf{e}$ and optimal decision minimizes the ML metric:

$$\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{w}s\|^2 = \dots = \|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{w}\|^2 \cdot |s - \hat{s}|^2 + \text{const.}$$

where $\hat{s} \triangleq \frac{\mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{w}\|^2} \sim N\left(s, \frac{N_0}{\|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{w}\|^2}\right)$

- ⇒ The SNR| \mathbf{H} in \hat{s} is max for \mathbf{w} =normalized dominant RSV of \mathbf{H}
- ⇒ Resulting SNR| \mathbf{H} = $\underbrace{\frac{1}{N_0} \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{H})}_{\geq \|\mathbf{H}\|^2/n_t} \cdot E [|s|^2] \geq \frac{1}{N_0} \frac{\|\mathbf{H}\|^2}{n_t} \cdot E [|s|^2]$.
- ⇒ Diversity order: $d = n_r n_t$
- ⇒ For $n_r = 1$ take $\mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}} = \frac{\mathbf{h}^*}{\|\mathbf{h}\|}$ so SNR| \mathbf{h} = $\frac{\|\mathbf{h}\|^2}{N_0} E [|s|^2]$ (same as for RX-d[†])

Transmit diversity, H unknown at transmitter

- ◻ From now on, TX does **not** know H !
- ◻ Consider $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{E}$. Optimal receiver in AWGN (H known at RX):

$$\max_{\mathbf{X}} P(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{H}) \Leftrightarrow \min_{\mathbf{X}} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}\|^2$$

- ◻ Pairwise error probability $P(\mathbf{X}_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{X}|\mathbf{H}) = Q\left(\sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X})\|^2}{2N_0}}\right)$
- ◻ Consider $P(\mathbf{X}_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{X}) = E[P(\mathbf{X}_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{X}|\mathbf{H})]$. For i.i.d. Rayleigh fading,

$$P(\mathbf{X}_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{X}) \leq \underbrace{\left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{4N_0} (\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X})(\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X})^H \right|^{-n_r}}_{\sim \left(\frac{1}{N_0}\right)^{-d} \sim \text{SNR}^{-d}}$$

d = “diversity order”. Note: $d \leq n_r n_t$ and $d = n_r n_t$ if $\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X}$ full rank

Linear space-time block codes (STBC)

- ☞ STBC maps n_s complex symbols onto $n_t \times N$ matrix \mathbf{X} :

$$\{s_1, \dots, s_{n_s}\} \rightarrow \mathbf{X}$$

- ☞ Linear STBC:

$$\mathbf{X} = \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} (\bar{s}_n \mathbf{A}_n + i \tilde{s}_n \mathbf{B}_n)$$

where $\{\mathbf{A}_n, \mathbf{B}_n\}$ are *fixed* matrices

- ☞ Typically N small. Need $N \geq n_t$ for max diversity (why?)
- ☞ Rate: $R \triangleq \frac{N}{n_s}$ bits/channel use

STBC with a single symbol

- ⇒ Transmit one symbol s during N time intervals, weighted by \mathbf{W} :

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{W} \cdot s, \quad \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{W}s + \mathbf{E}$$

- ⇒ Average error probability in Rayleigh fading:

$$P(s_0 \rightarrow s) \leq |\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^H|^{-n_r} |s - s_0|^{-2n_r n_t} \left(\frac{1}{4N_0}\right)^{-n_r n_t}$$

- ⇒ What is the optimum \mathbf{W} ? Try to maximize:

$$\max_{\mathbf{W}} |\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^H|$$

$$\text{s.t. } \text{Tr}\{\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^H\} = \|\mathbf{W}\|^2 \leq 1 \quad (\text{power constraint})$$

- ⇒ Solution: $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^H = \frac{1}{n_t} \mathbf{I}$, (antenna cycling). Diversity but rate $1/N!$ 54

Alamouti scheme for $n_t = 2$

⇒ $\mathbf{X} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2^* \\ s_2 & -s_1^* \end{bmatrix}$. That is:

	Time 1	Time 2
Ant 1	$s_1/\sqrt{2}$	$s_2^*/\sqrt{2}$
Ant 2	$s_2\sqrt{2}$	$-s_1^*/\sqrt{2}$

⇒ RX data: $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 s_1 + \mathbf{h}_2 s_2 \\ \mathbf{h}_1 s_2^* - \mathbf{h}_2 s_1^* \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \mathbf{e}_2 \end{bmatrix}$

⇒ Consider $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2^* \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 s_1 + \mathbf{h}_2 s_2 \\ \mathbf{h}_1^* s_2 - \mathbf{h}_2^* s_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \mathbf{e}_2^* \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 & \mathbf{h}_2 \\ -\mathbf{h}_2^* & \mathbf{h}_1^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \mathbf{e}_2^* \end{bmatrix}$

⇒ ML detector

$$\min_{s_1, s_2} \left\| \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2^* \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{y}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 & \mathbf{h}_2 \\ -\mathbf{h}_2^* & \mathbf{h}_1^* \end{bmatrix}}_{\triangleq \mathbf{G}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{s}} \right\|^2$$

⇒ Observation: $\mathbf{G}^H \mathbf{G} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1^H & -\mathbf{h}_2^T \\ \mathbf{h}_2^H & \mathbf{h}_1^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1 & \mathbf{h}_2 \\ -\mathbf{h}_2^* & \mathbf{h}_1^* \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\|\mathbf{h}_1\|^2 + \|\mathbf{h}_2\|^2}{2} \mathbf{I}$

⇒ Hence $\min \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}\|^2 \Leftrightarrow \min \|\hat{\mathbf{s}} - \mathbf{s}\|^2$, $\hat{\mathbf{s}} = 2 \frac{\mathbf{G}^H \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{h}_1\|^2 + \|\mathbf{h}_2\|^2}$

⇒ Distribution of $\hat{\mathbf{s}}$:

$$\hat{\mathbf{s}} = 2 \frac{\mathbf{G}^H \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{h}_1\|^2 + \|\mathbf{h}_2\|^2} = 2 \frac{\mathbf{G}^H (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e})}{\|\mathbf{h}_1\|^2 + \|\mathbf{h}_2\|^2} \sim N\left(\mathbf{s}, \frac{2N_0}{\|\mathbf{H}\|^2} \mathbf{I}\right)$$

⇒ $\text{SNR}|_{\mathbf{H}} = \frac{\|\mathbf{H}\|^2}{2N_0}$. For 2×1 system, 3 dB less than 1×2 with MRC

⇒ Diversity order: $2n_r$

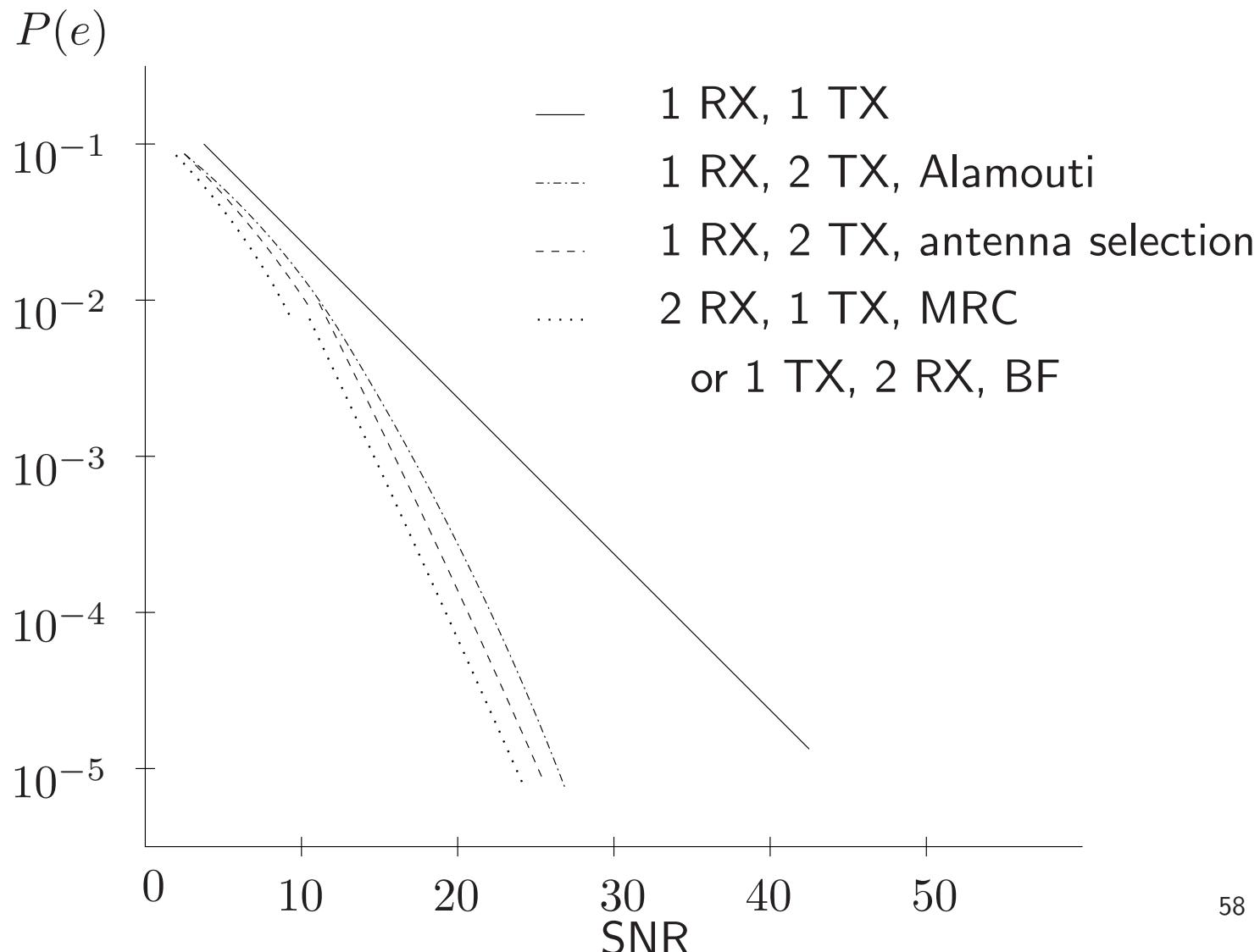
Overview of 2-antenna systems

Method	SNR	rate	TX knows h_1, h_2
1 TX, 2 RX, MRC	$\frac{ h_1 ^2 + h_2 ^2}{N_0}$	1	no
2 TX, 1 RX, BF	$\frac{ h_1 ^2 + h_2 ^2}{N_0}$	1	yes
2 TX, 1 RX, ant. cycl.	$\frac{ h_1 ^2 + h_2 ^2}{2N_0}$	1/2	no
2 TX, 1 RX, Alamouti	$\frac{ h_1 ^2 + h_2 ^2}{2N_0}$	1	no
2 TX, 1 RX, Ant. sel.	$\geq \frac{ h_1 ^2 + h_2 ^2}{2N_0}$	1	partly

- For antenna selection, note that

$$\frac{\max |h_n|^2}{N_0} \geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2}{N_0}$$

2-antenna systems, cont



Orthogonal STBC (OSTBC)

- Important special case of linear STBC:

$$\mathbf{X} = \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} (\bar{s}_n \mathbf{A}_n + i \tilde{s}_n \mathbf{B}_n) \quad \text{for which}$$

$$\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^H = \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} |s_n|^2 \cdot \mathbf{I} = \|s\|^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}$$

Notation: $(\bar{\cdot})$ =real part, $(\tilde{\cdot})$ =imaginary part

- This is equivalent to requiring for $n = 1, \dots, n_s, \quad p = 1, \dots, n_s$

$$\mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{A}_n^H = \mathbf{I}, \mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{B}_n^H = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{A}_p^H = -\mathbf{A}_p \mathbf{A}_n^H, \quad \mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{B}_p^H = -\mathbf{B}_p \mathbf{B}_n^H, \quad n \neq p$$

$$\mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{B}_p^H = \mathbf{B}_p \mathbf{A}_n^H$$

Proof

⇒ To prove \Rightarrow), expand:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^H &= \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \sum_{p=1}^{n_s} (\bar{s}_n \mathbf{A}_n + i\tilde{s}_n \mathbf{B}_n)(\bar{s}_p \mathbf{A}_p + i\tilde{s}_p \mathbf{B}_p)^H \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} (\bar{s}_n^2 \mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{A}_n^H + \tilde{s}_n^2 \mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{B}_n^H) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \sum_{p=1, p>n}^{n_s} \left(\bar{s}_n \bar{s}_p (\mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{A}_p^H + \mathbf{A}_p \mathbf{A}_n^H) + \tilde{s}_n \tilde{s}_p (\mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{B}_p^H + \mathbf{B}_p \mathbf{B}_n^H) \right) \\
 &\quad + i \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \sum_{p=1}^{n_s} \tilde{s}_n \bar{s}_p (\mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{A}_p^H - \mathbf{A}_p \mathbf{B}_n^H)
 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ Proof of \Leftarrow), see e.g., EL&PS book.

Some properties of OSTBC

- ▷ Manifests the intuition that unitary matrices are good
- ▷ Alamouti code is an OSTBC (up to $1/\sqrt{2}$ normalization)
- ▷ Pros
 - ➡ Diversity of order $n_r n_t$
 - ➡ Detection of $\{s_n\}$ is *decoupled*
 - ➡ Converts space-time channel into n_s AWGN channels
 - ➡ Combination with outer coding is straightforward
- ▷ Cons
 - ➡ Rate loss for $n_t > 2$, i.e., $n_t > 2 \Rightarrow R = \frac{n_s}{N} < 1$
 - ➡ Information loss except for when $n_t = 2, n_r = 1$

Diversity order of OSTBC

- ◻ Suppose $\{s_n^0\}_{n=1}^{n_s}$ are true symbols and $\{s_n\}$ are any other symbols.
Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0 &= \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \left((\bar{s}_n - \bar{s}_n^0) \mathbf{A}_n + i(\tilde{s}_n - \tilde{s}_n^0) \mathbf{B}_n \right) \\ \Rightarrow \quad (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0)(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0)^H &= \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} |s_n - s_n^0|^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}\end{aligned}$$

- ◻ Full rank \rightarrow full diversity for i.i.d. Gaussian channel

Derivation of decoupled detection

⇒ Write the ML metric as

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \| \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X} \|^2 \\
 &= \| \mathbf{Y} \|^2 - 2 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X} \} + \| \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X} \|^2 \\
 &= \| \mathbf{Y} \|^2 - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{A}_n \} \bar{s}_n + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \operatorname{Im} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B}_n \} \tilde{s}_n \\
 &\quad + \| \mathbf{H} \|^2 \cdot \| \mathbf{s} \|^2 \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \left(-2 \operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{A}_n \} \bar{s}_n + 2 \operatorname{Im} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B}_n \} \tilde{s}_n + |s_n|^2 \| \mathbf{H} \|^2 \right) \\
 &\quad + \text{const.} \\
 &= \| \mathbf{H} \|^2 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \left| s_n - \frac{\operatorname{Re} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{A}_n \} - i \operatorname{Im} \operatorname{Tr} \{ \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{H} \mathbf{B}_n \}}{\| \mathbf{H} \|^2} \right|^2 + \text{const.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Decoupled detection, again

- ⇒ Linearity: $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{E} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{s}' + \mathbf{e}, \quad \mathbf{s}' \triangleq [\bar{\mathbf{s}}^T \quad \tilde{\mathbf{s}}^T]^T$
- ⇒ Theorem: \mathbf{X} is an OSTBC if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{F}\} = \|\mathbf{H}\|^2 \cdot \mathbf{I} \quad \forall \mathbf{H}$$

- ⇒ ML metric:

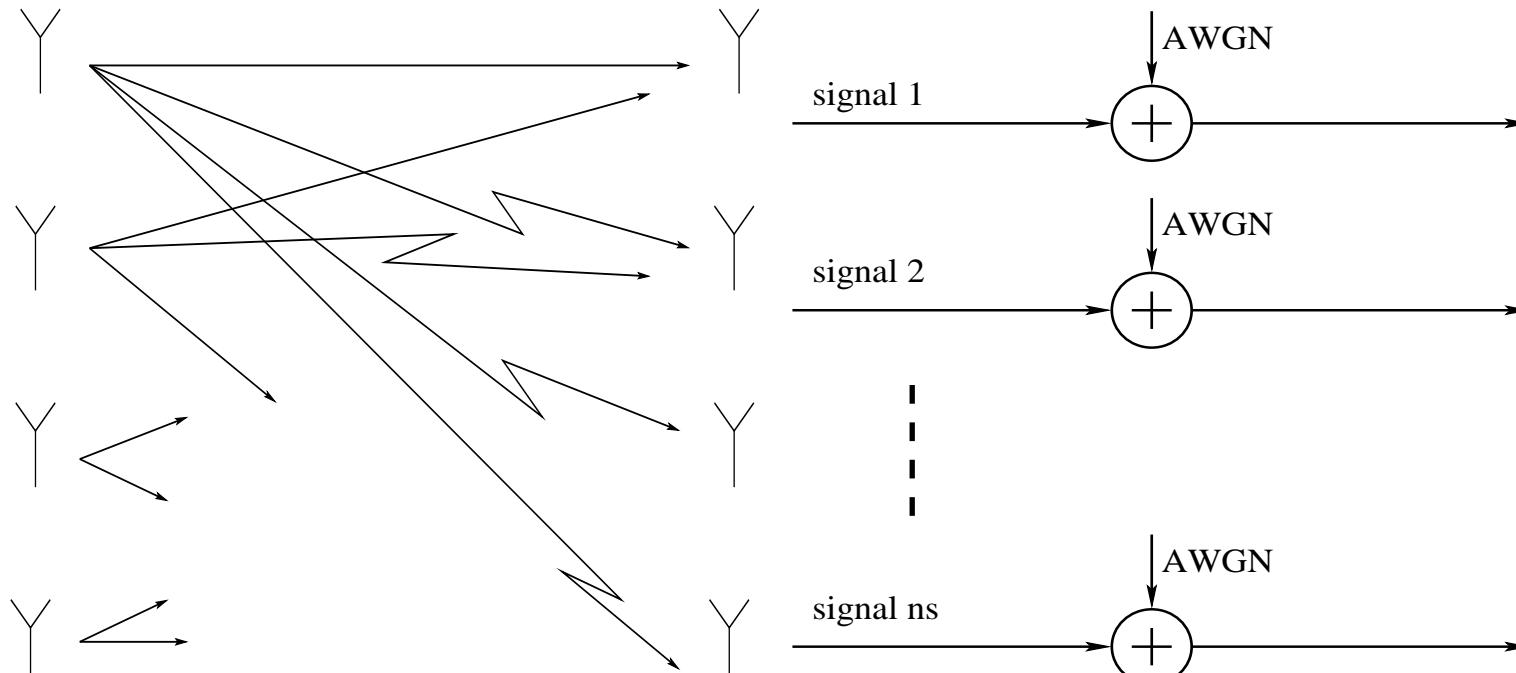
$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{F}\mathbf{s}'\|^2 &= \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{F}\mathbf{s}'\} + \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{s}'^T \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{F}\mathbf{s}'\} \\ &= \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - 2\operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{F}\mathbf{s}'\} + \|\mathbf{H}\|^2 \cdot \|\mathbf{s}'\|^2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{H}\|^2 \cdot \|\mathbf{s}' - \hat{\mathbf{s}}'\|^2 + \text{const.} \end{aligned}$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{s}}' \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\bar{\mathbf{s}}} \\ \hat{\tilde{\mathbf{s}}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{y}\}}{\|\mathbf{H}\|^2} \sim N\left(\begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{s}} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{s}} \end{bmatrix}, \frac{N_0/2}{\|\mathbf{H}\|^2} \mathbf{I}\right)$

- ⇒ \mathbf{F} is a “Spatial/temporal (code) matched filter”

Interpretation of decoupled detection

- Space-time channel decouples into n_s AWGN channels



- SNR per subchannel: $\text{SNR}|_H = \frac{N}{n_s} \cdot \frac{\|H\|^2}{n_t} \cdot \frac{P}{N_0}$

Example: Alamouti's code is an OSTBC

- Consider the Alamouti code (re-normalized):

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2^* \\ s_2 & -s_1^* \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^H = (|s_1|^2 + |s_2|^2)\mathbf{I}$$

- Identification of \mathbf{A}_n and \mathbf{B}_n gives

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{B}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Examples of OSTBC

- ▷ Best known OSTBC for $n_t = 3, N = 4, n_s = 3$:

$$\boldsymbol{X} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & s_2 & -s_3 \\ 0 & s_1 & s_3^* & s_2^* \\ -s_2^* & -s_3 & s_1^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Code rate: $3/4$ bpcu

- ▷ For $n_t = 4, N = 4, n_s = 3$:

$$\boldsymbol{X} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & s_2 & -s_3 \\ 0 & s_1 & s_3^* & s_2^* \\ -s_2^* & -s_3 & s_1^* & 0 \\ s_3^* & -s_2 & 0 & s_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Rate is $3/4$ bpcu.

Summary of OSTBC Relations

$$\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^H = \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} |s_n|^2 \cdot \mathbf{I} = \|\mathbf{s}\|^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}$$

↔

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{A}_n^H &= \mathbf{I} & , \quad \mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{B}_n^H &= \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{A}_p^H &= -\mathbf{A}_p \mathbf{A}_n^H & , \quad \mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{B}_p^H &= -\mathbf{B}_p \mathbf{B}_n^H, & n \neq p \\ \mathbf{A}_n \mathbf{B}_p^H &= \mathbf{B}_p \mathbf{A}_n^H \end{aligned}$$

↔

$$\operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{F}\} = \|\mathbf{H}\|^2 \cdot \mathbf{I} \quad \text{where } \mathbf{F} \text{ is such that}$$

$$\operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{F} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{s}} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{s}} \end{bmatrix} + \operatorname{vec}(\mathbf{E})$$

Mutual Information Properties of OSTBC

- Average transmitted energy per antenna and time interval = $1/n_t$
- Channel mutual information, with i.i.d. streams of power $1/n_t$:

$$C_{\text{MIMO}}(\mathbf{H}) = \log \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{n_t} \frac{\mathbf{H}\mathbf{H}^H}{N_0} \right|$$

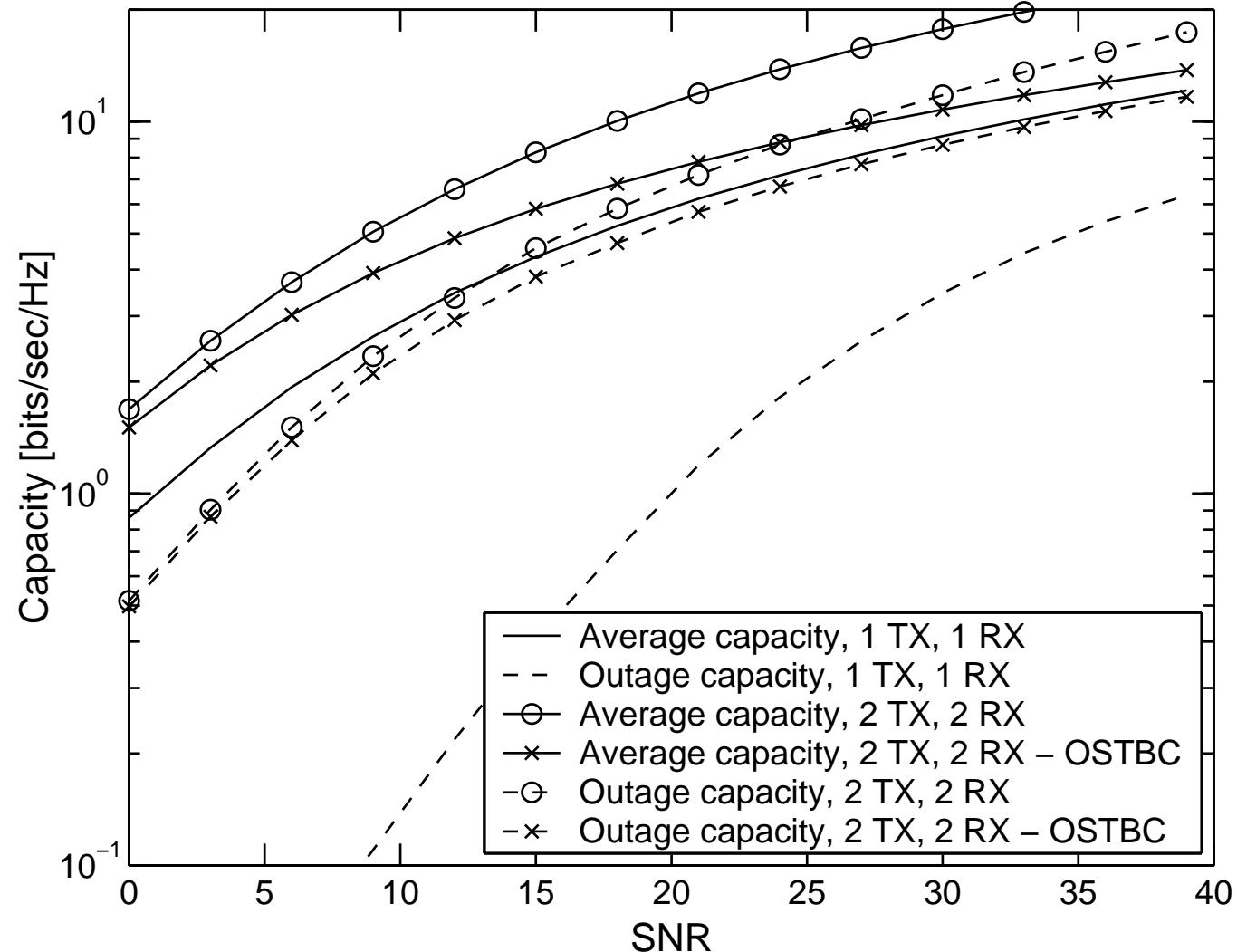
- Mutual information of OSTBC coded system:

$$C_{\text{OSTBC}}(\mathbf{H}) = \frac{n_s}{N} \log \left(1 + \frac{N \|\mathbf{H}\|^2}{n_s n_t N_0} \right)$$

- Theorem:

$$C_{\text{MIMO}} \geq C_{\text{OSTBC}}, \quad \text{equality only for } n_t = 2, n_r = 1$$

Capacity comparison (1% outage)



Non-orthogonal linear STBC

- ⇒ Also called linear dispersion codes
- ⇒ Different approaches:
 - ➡ Optimization of mutual information between the TX & RX:

$$\max \frac{1}{2} E_{\mathbf{H}} \left[\log_2 \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{2}{N_0} \operatorname{Re}\{\mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{F}\} \right| \right]$$

(no explicit guarantee for full diversity here)

- ➡ Quasi-orthogonal codes
- ➡ Codes based on linear constellation (complex-field) precoding

$$\mathbf{s}' = \Phi \mathbf{s}$$

Example: A non-OSTBC

- ▷ Consider the following *diagonal code*, where $|s_n| = 1$:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▷ Then

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▷ ML metric for symbol detection:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}\|^2 &= \|\mathbf{Y}\|^2 - 2\text{Re}\text{Tr}\{\mathbf{X}^H \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{Y}\} + \|\mathbf{H}\|^2 \\ &= -2\text{Re}\{[\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{Y}]_{1,1} \cdot s_1\} - 2\text{Re}\{[\mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{Y}]_{2,2} \cdot s_2\} + \text{const.} \end{aligned}$$

- ▷ Decoupled detection, but *not* OSTBC, and not full diversity

More examples of linear but not orthogonal STBC

- Alamouti code with forgotten conjugates

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \\ s_2 & -s_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- “Spatial multiplexing” ($R = n_t$, $N = 1$, $n_s = n_t$, $d = n_r$).

For $n_t = 2$:

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{B}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linearly precoded STBC

- Transmit $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X}$ where $\mathbf{W} \in \{\mathbf{W}_1, \dots, \mathbf{W}_K\}$. Data model:

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{E}$$

- Fact: If $\text{rank}\{\mathbf{W}_k\} = n_t$ then same diversity order as but without \mathbf{W}
- Consider correlated fading: $\mathbf{R} = E[\mathbf{h}\mathbf{h}^H] = \mathbf{R}_t^T \otimes \mathbf{R}_r, \quad \mathbf{h} = \text{vec}(\mathbf{H})$
- Error probability:

$$E_{\mathbf{H}}[P(\mathbf{X}_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{X})] \leq \text{const.} \cdot \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{N_0} (\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X})(\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X})^H \cdot \mathbf{W}^H \mathbf{R}_t \mathbf{W} \right|^{-n_r}$$

- For OSTBC, $(\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X})(\mathbf{X}_0 - \mathbf{X})^H \propto \mathbf{I}$. Hence, $\min_{\mathbf{W}} \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{n_s}{N_0} \mathbf{W}^H \mathbf{R}_t \mathbf{W} \right|$

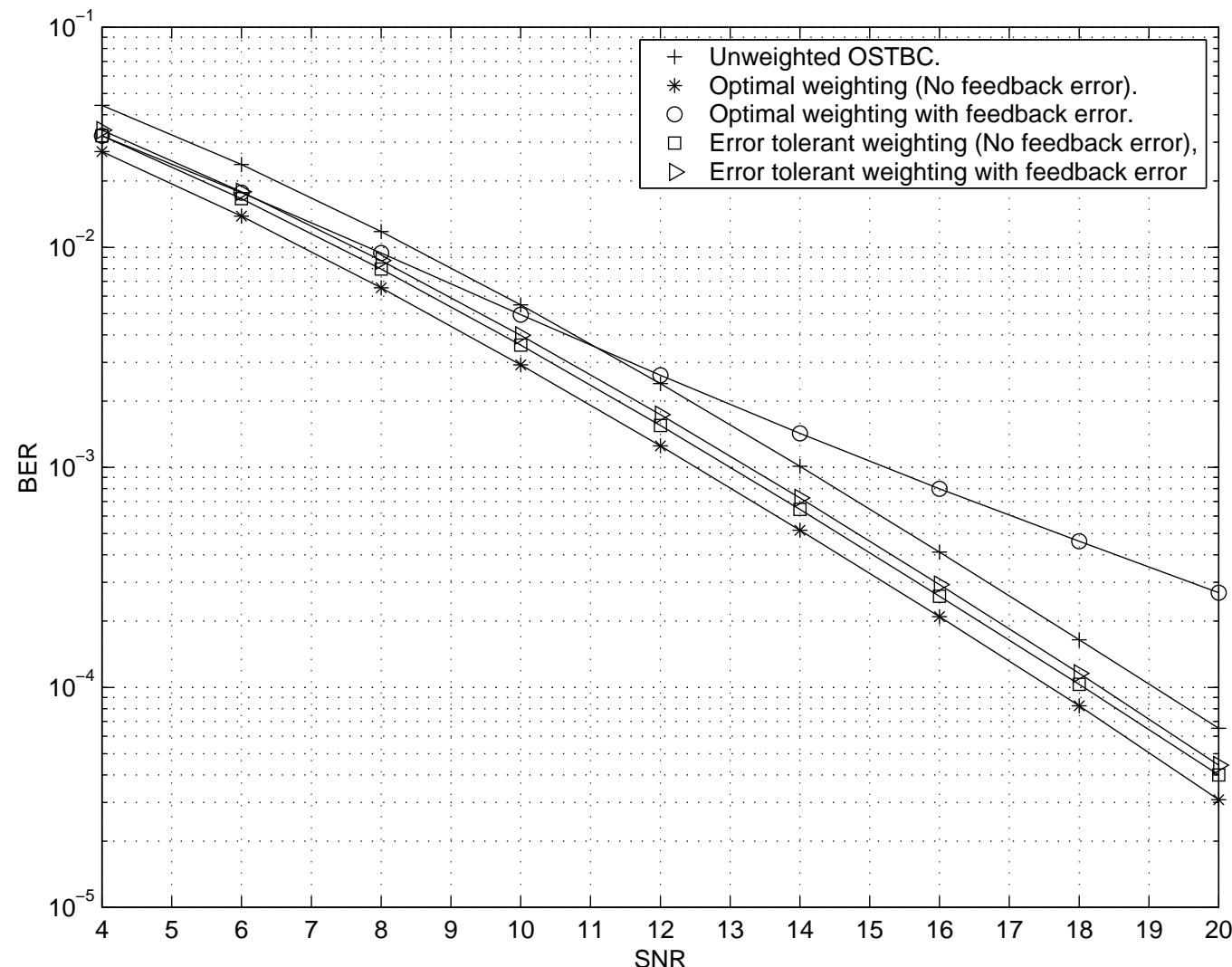
Ex. OSTBC with One-Bit Feedback for $n_t = 2$

- One bit used to choose between

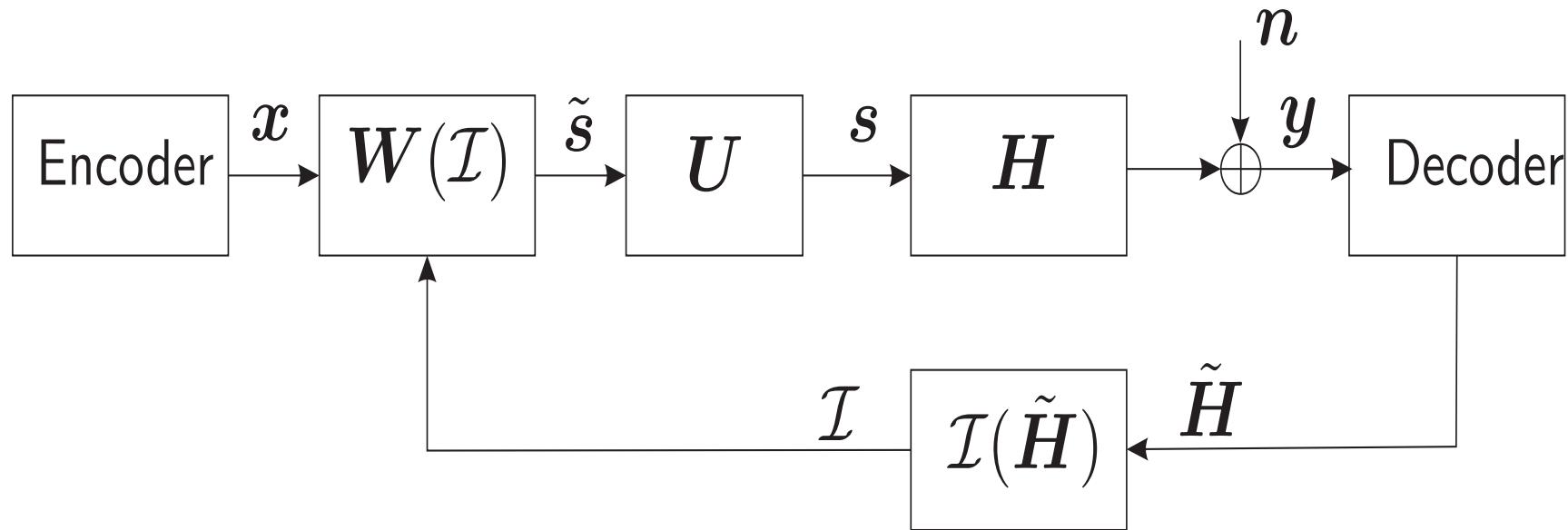
$$\mathbf{W}_1 = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} |a| & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1 - |a|^2} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{if } \|\mathbf{h}_1\| > \|\mathbf{h}_2\|}, \quad \mathbf{W}_2 = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{1 - |a|^2} & 0 \\ 0 & |a| \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{if } \|\mathbf{h}_2\| > \|\mathbf{h}_1\|}$$

- Let P_c be the probability that the feedback bit is correct
- For $P_c = 1$ (reliable feedback), $a = 1$ is optimal \rightarrow antenna selection
 \mathbf{W} may be multiplied with fixed unitary matrix \rightarrow grid of beams
- For $P_c < 1$ (erroneous feedback),

$$E_{\mathbf{H}}[P(\mathbf{X}_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{X})] \leq \frac{2}{\text{SNR}^2} \cdot \left(\frac{P_c}{|a|^2} + \frac{1 - P_c}{1 - |a|^2} \right) \quad (\text{for } n_r = 1)$$



MIMO with feedback - optimized transmission



- ⇒ Here
 - ⇒ U depends on long-term feedback
 - ⇒ \mathcal{I} depends on short-term (few bits) feedback
- ⇒ State-of-the art designs rely on vector quantization techniques

Frequency-selective channels

- ▷ Maximum diversity order (with ML detection) will be $n_r n_t L$ where L =length of CIR
- ▷ Variety of techniques to achieve maximum diversity
- ▷ Most widely used transmission technique is MIMO-OFDM
 - ➡ coding across multiple OFDM symbols
 - ➡ coding across subcarriers within one OFDM symbol
- ▷ Basic model per subcarrier is

$$\mathbf{Y}_n = \mathbf{H}_n \mathbf{X}_n + \mathbf{E}_n$$

Le 3: MIMO receivers

Summary of MIMO receivers

▷ Optimal architectures (from Le 1):

- ➡ CSI@TX (any fading): linear processing, $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{y}$, separates streams
- ➡ no CSI@TX, fast fading: V-BLAST, optimal receiver is more involved
 - linear receiver (channel inversion) is grossly suboptimal
 - successive interference cancellation (SIC)
 - using soft MIMO demodulator + decoder, possibly iterative
- ➡ no CSI@TX, slow fading: D-BLAST

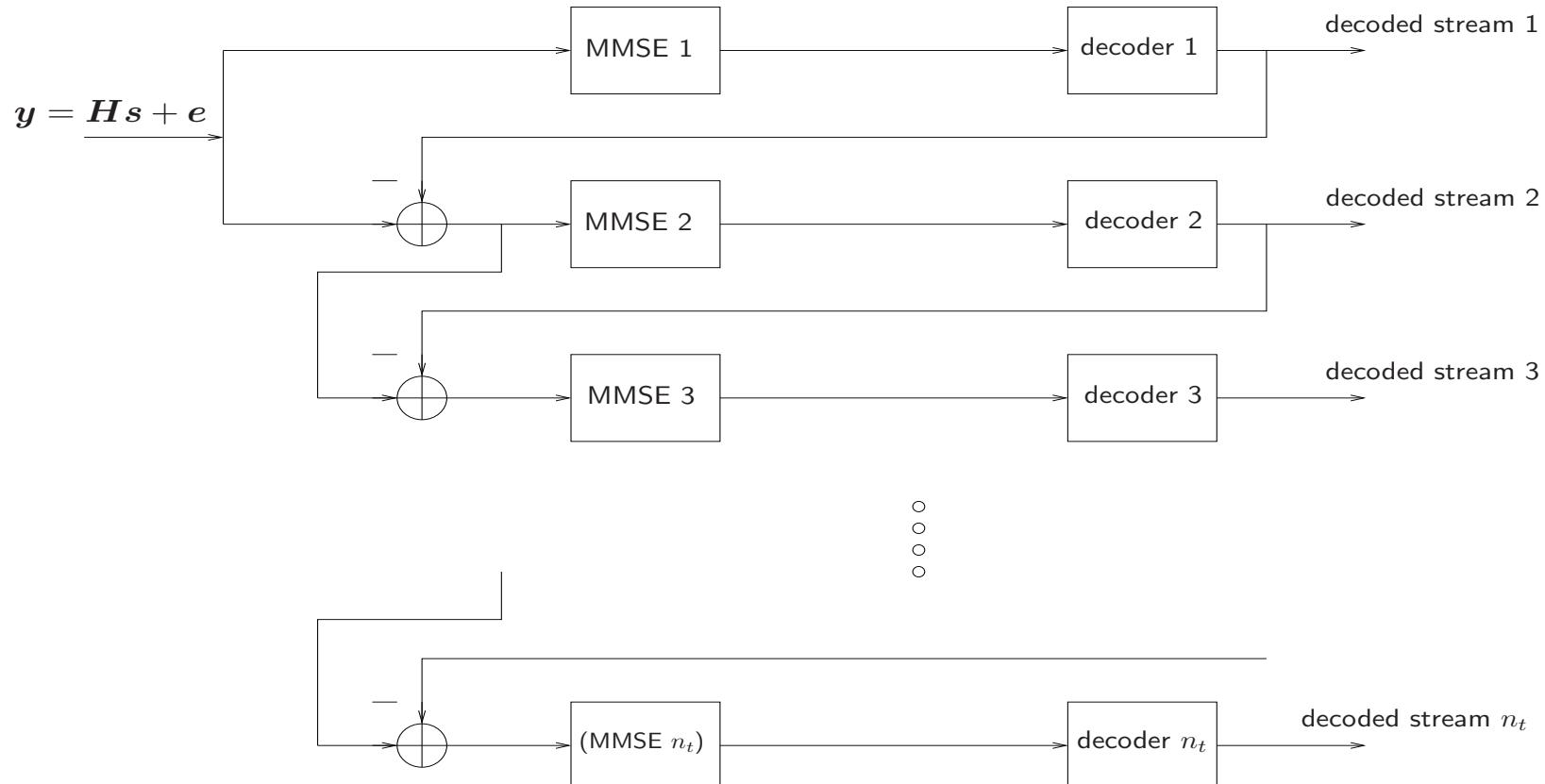
▷ Architectures with STBC+outer FEC (from Le 2)

- ➡ With OSTBC, decoupled detection and thing are simple:

$$\min \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}\| \sim \min (|s_1 - \hat{s}_1|^2 + |s_2 - \hat{s}_2|^2)$$

- ➡ With non-OSTBC, $\min \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}\|$ does not decouple
 - problem similar to for V-BLAST

Theoretically optimal V-BLAST receiver based on SIC



- ⇒ Optimality only for fast fading. Requires rate allocation on streams.
- ⇒ Major drawback: Requires long codewords. Prone to error propagation.

Theoretically optimal D-BLAST receiver based on SIC

	$x_B(1)$	$x_B(2)$		
$x_A(1)$	$x_A(2)$	$x_A(3)$		

- ⇒ One codeword split as $\mathbf{x}(i) = [x_A(i) \ x_B(i)]$, with rate allocation
- ⇒ Decoding in steps:
 1. Decode $x_A(1)$
 2. Decode $x_B(1)$, suppressing $x_A(2)$ via MMSE
 3. Strip off $x_B(1)$, and decode $x_A(2)$
 4. Decode $x_B(2)$, suppressing $x_A(3)$ via MMSE
- ⇒ Drawbacks:
 - ⇒ error propagation
 - ⇒ rate loss due to initialization
 - ⇒ requires long codewords

Receivers for linear STBC architectures

	Training	Data 1	Data 2			
⇒	Received block: $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{E}$.					

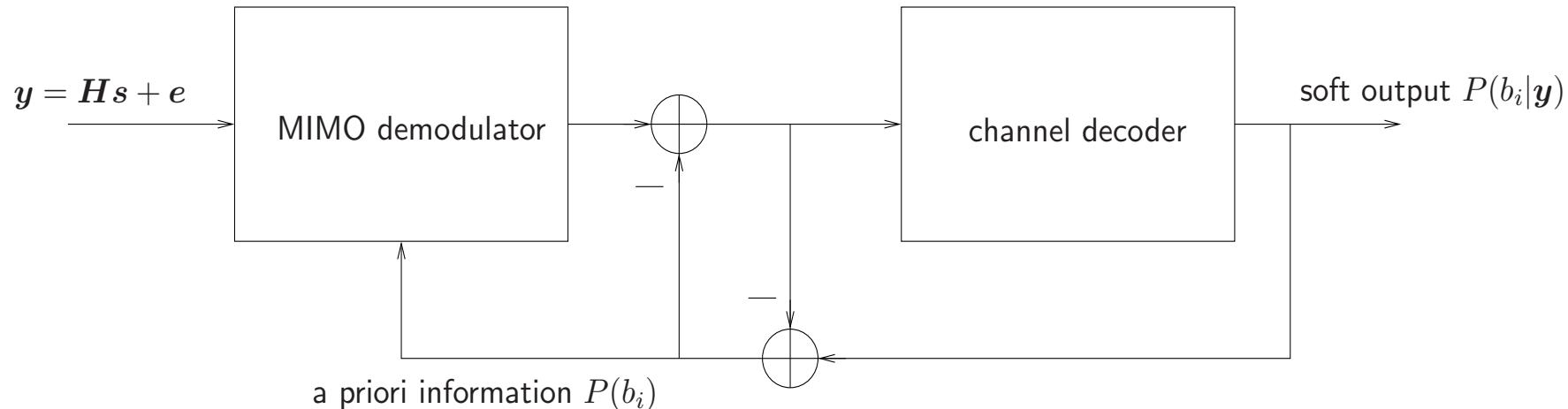
- ⇒ \mathbf{X} linear in $\{s_1, \dots, s_{n_s}\}$ so with appropriate \mathbf{F} , the ML metric is

$$\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}\|^2 = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \text{vec}(\bar{\mathbf{Y}}) \\ \text{vec}(\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}) \end{bmatrix} - \mathbf{F} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{s}} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{s}} \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2$$

- ⇒ For OSTBC, $\mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F} = \|\mathbf{H}\|^2 \mathbf{I}$ so detection decouples
- ⇒ Spatial multiplexing (V-BLAST) can be seen a degenerated special case of this architecture, with

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ \vdots \\ s_{n_t} \end{bmatrix}$$

Demodulator+decoder architectures



- ⇒ Demodulator computes $P(b_i|\mathbf{y})$ given a priori information $P(b_i)$
- ⇒ Decoder adds knowledge of what codewords are valid
- ⇒ Added knowledge in decoder is fed back to demodulator as a priori
- ⇒ Iteration until convergence (a few iterations, normally)

MIMO demodulation (hard)

- ⇒ General transmission model, with $G_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{y}}_{m \times 1} = \underbrace{\mathbf{G}}_{m \times n} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{s}}_{n \times 1} + \underbrace{\mathbf{e}}_{m \times 1}, \quad s_k \in \mathcal{S}$$

- ⇒ Models V-BLAST architectures, and (non-O)STBC architectures
- ⇒ Other applications: multiuser detection, ISI, crosstalk in cables, ...
- ⇒ Typically, $m \geq n$ and \mathbf{G} is full rank and has no structure.

The problem

- >If $e \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma\mathbf{I})$ then the problem is to detect s from y

$$\min_{s \in \mathcal{S}^n} \|y - \mathbf{G}s\|^2, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad \mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

- Let $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{L}$ where

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} & \text{is orthonormal } (\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}) \\ \mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} & \text{is lower triangular} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Then } \|y - \mathbf{G}s\|^2 = \|\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T(y - \mathbf{G}s)\|^2 + \|(I - \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^T)(y - \mathbf{G}s)\|^2$$

$$= \|Q^T y - Ls\|^2 + \|(I - Q Q^T)y\|^2$$

$$\text{so } \min_{s \in \mathcal{S}^n} \|y - \mathbf{G}s\|^2$$

\Leftrightarrow

$$\min_{s \in \mathcal{S}^n} \|\tilde{y} - Ls\| \quad \text{where} \quad \tilde{y} \triangleq Q^T y$$

Some remarks

- ▷ Integer-constrained least-squares problem, known to be NP hard
- ▷ Brute force complexity $O(|\mathcal{S}^n|)$
- ▷ Typical dimension of problem: $n \sim 8-16$, so $|\mathcal{S}| \sim 2-8$, $|\mathcal{S}^n| \sim 256-10^{14}$
- ▷ Needs be solved
 - ⇒ *in real time*
 - ⇒ *once per received vector y*
 - ⇒ *in power-efficient hardware* (beware of heavy matrix algebra)
 - ⇒ possibly *fixed-point arithmetics*
 - ⇒ preferably, in a parallel architecture
- ▷ In communications, we can accept a suboptimal algorithm that finds the correct solution quickly, with high probability

Some remarks, cont.

- ⇒ For \mathbf{G} orthogonal (OSTBC), the problem is trivial.
- ⇒ Our focus is on unstructured \mathbf{G}
- ⇒ If \mathbf{G} has structure (e.g., Toeplitz) then use algorithm that exploits this
- ⇒ Generally, slow fading (no time diversity) is the hard case

Zero-Forcing

⇒ Let

$$\tilde{\mathbf{s}} \triangleq \arg \min_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}\| = \arg \min_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}\| = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$$

E.g., Gaussian elimination: $\tilde{s}_1 = \tilde{y}_1 / L_{1,1}$

$$\tilde{s}_2 = (\tilde{y}_2 - \tilde{s}_1 L_{2,1}) / L_{2,2}$$

⋮

⇒ Then project onto \mathcal{S} : $\hat{s}_k = [\tilde{s}_k] \triangleq \arg \min_{s_k \in \mathcal{S}} |s_k - \tilde{s}_k|$

⇒ This works very poorly. Why? Note that

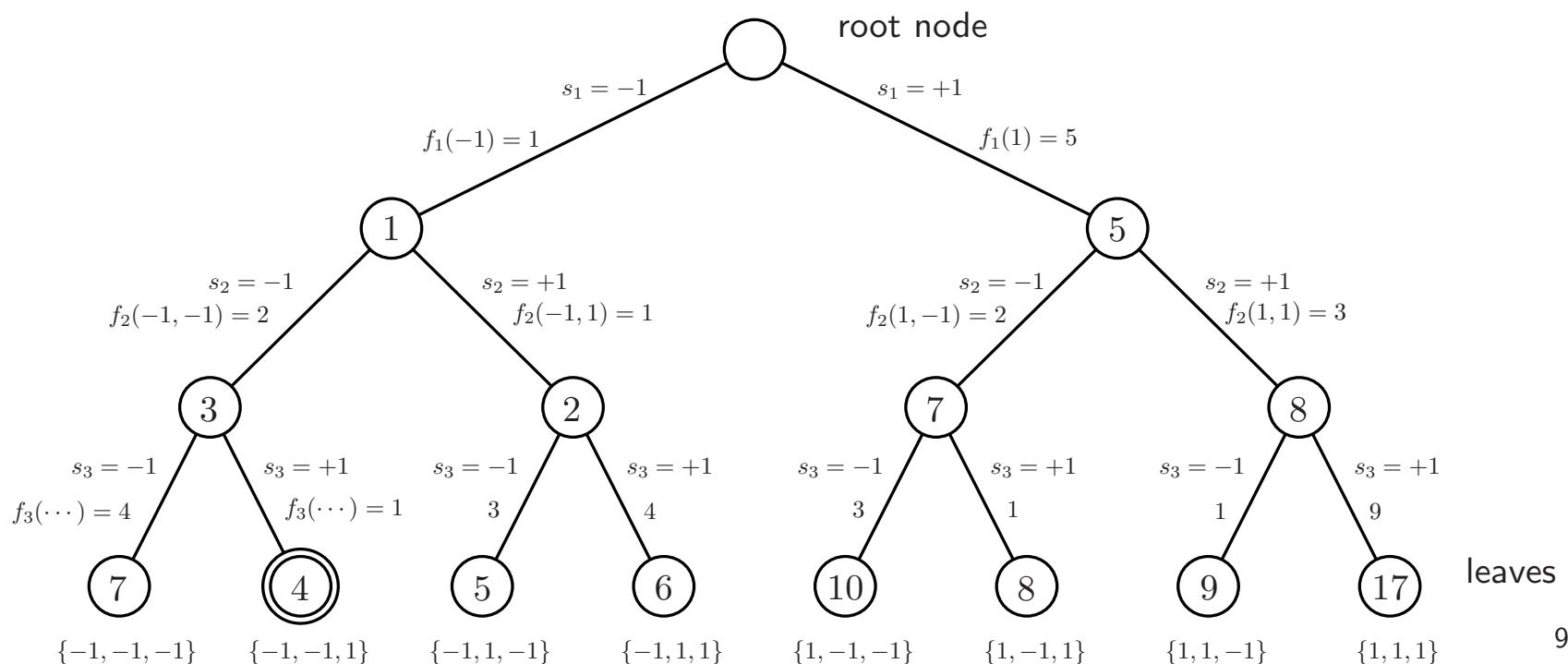
$$\tilde{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}^T\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{s} + \tilde{\mathbf{e}}, \quad \text{where } \text{cov}(\tilde{\mathbf{e}}) = \sigma \cdot (\mathbf{L}^T\mathbf{L})^{-1}$$

ZF neglects the correlation between the elements of $\tilde{\mathbf{e}}$

Decision tree view

$$\min_{\substack{\{s_1, \dots, s_n\} \\ s_k \in \mathcal{S}}} \{f_1(s_1) + f_2(s_1, s_2) + \dots + f_n(s_1, \dots, s_n)\}$$

where $f_k(s_1, \dots, s_k) \triangleq \left(\tilde{y}_k - \sum_{l=1}^k L_{k,l} s_l \right)^2$



Zero-Forcing with Decision Feedback (ZF-DF)

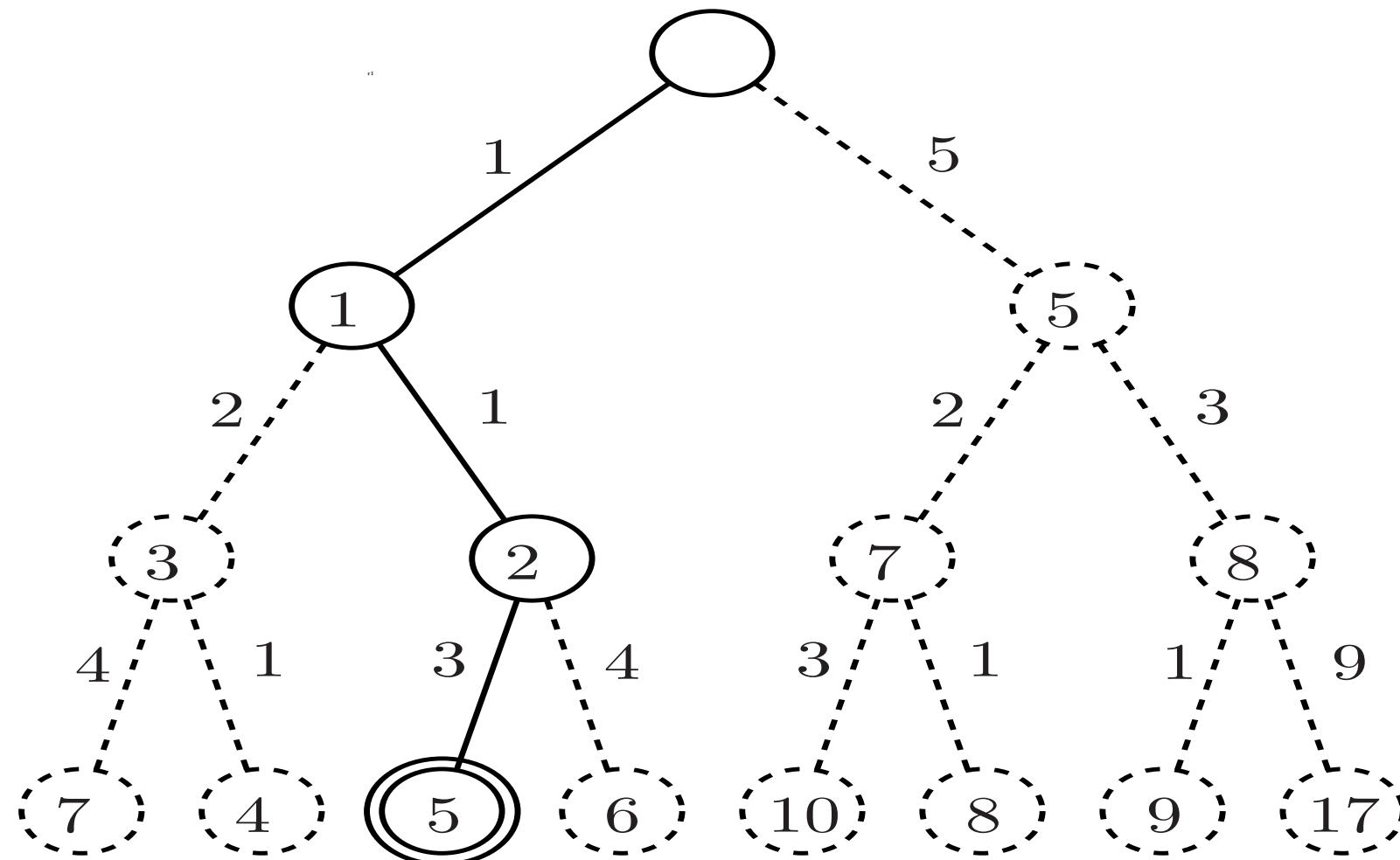
⇒ Consider the following improvement

- i) Detect s_1 via: $\hat{s}_1 = \left[\frac{\tilde{y}_1}{L_{1,1}} \right] = \arg \min_{s_1 \in \mathcal{S}} f_1(s_1)$
- ii) Consider s_1 known and set $\hat{s}_2 = \left[\frac{\tilde{y}_2 - \hat{s}_1 L_{2,1}}{L_{2,2}} \right] = \arg \min_{s_2 \in \mathcal{S}} f_2(\hat{s}_1, s_2)$
- iii) Continue for $k = 3, \dots, n$:

$$\hat{s}_k = \left[\frac{\tilde{y}_k - \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} L_{k,l} \hat{s}_l}{L_{k,k}} \right] = \arg \min_{s_k \in \mathcal{S}} f_k(\hat{s}_1, \dots, \hat{s}_{k-1}, s_k)$$

- ⇒ This also works poorly. Why? Error propagation.
Incorrect decision on s_i → most of the following s_k wrong as well.
- ⇒ Optimized detection order (start with the best) does not help much.

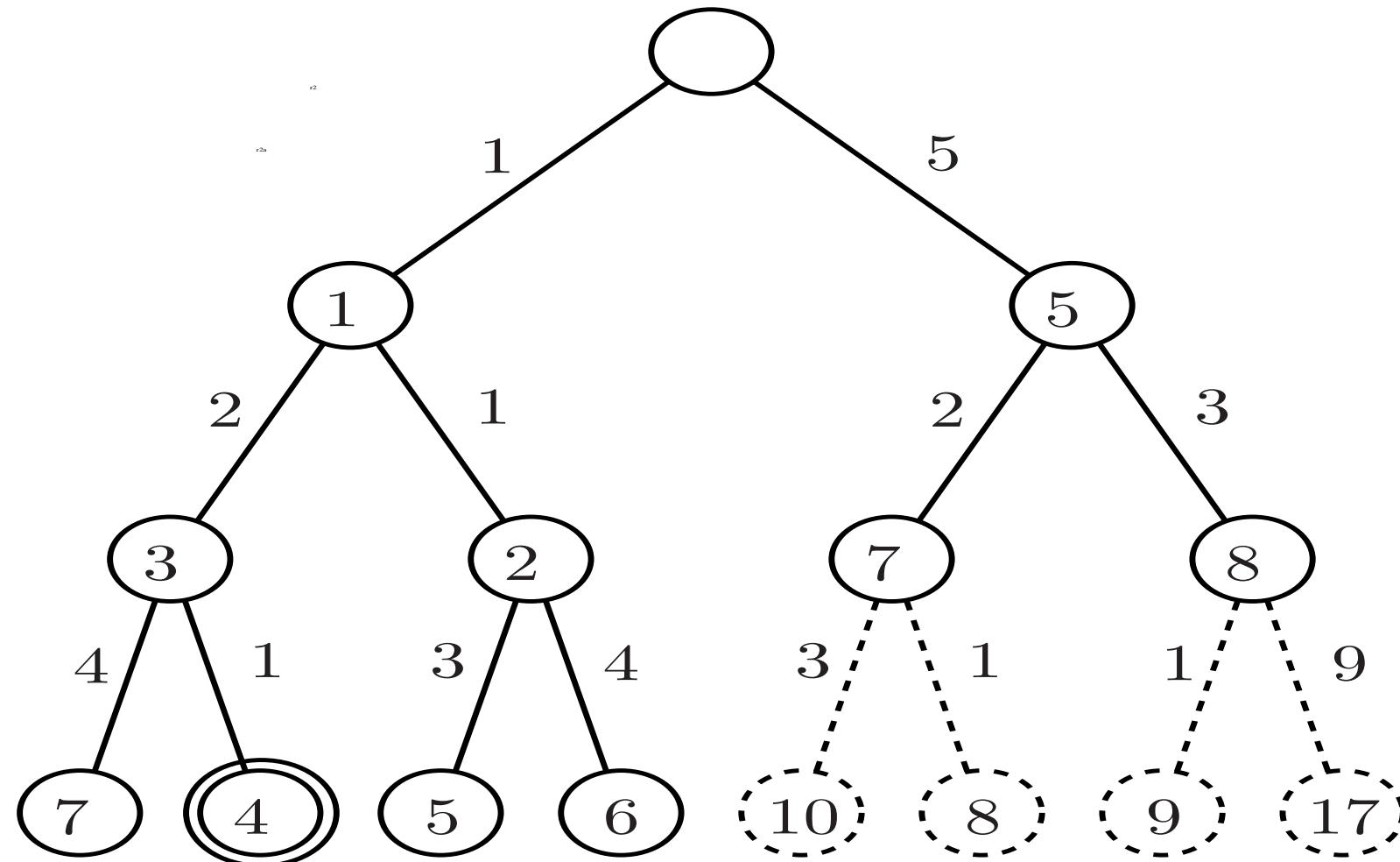
Zero-Forcing with Decision Feedback (ZF-DF)



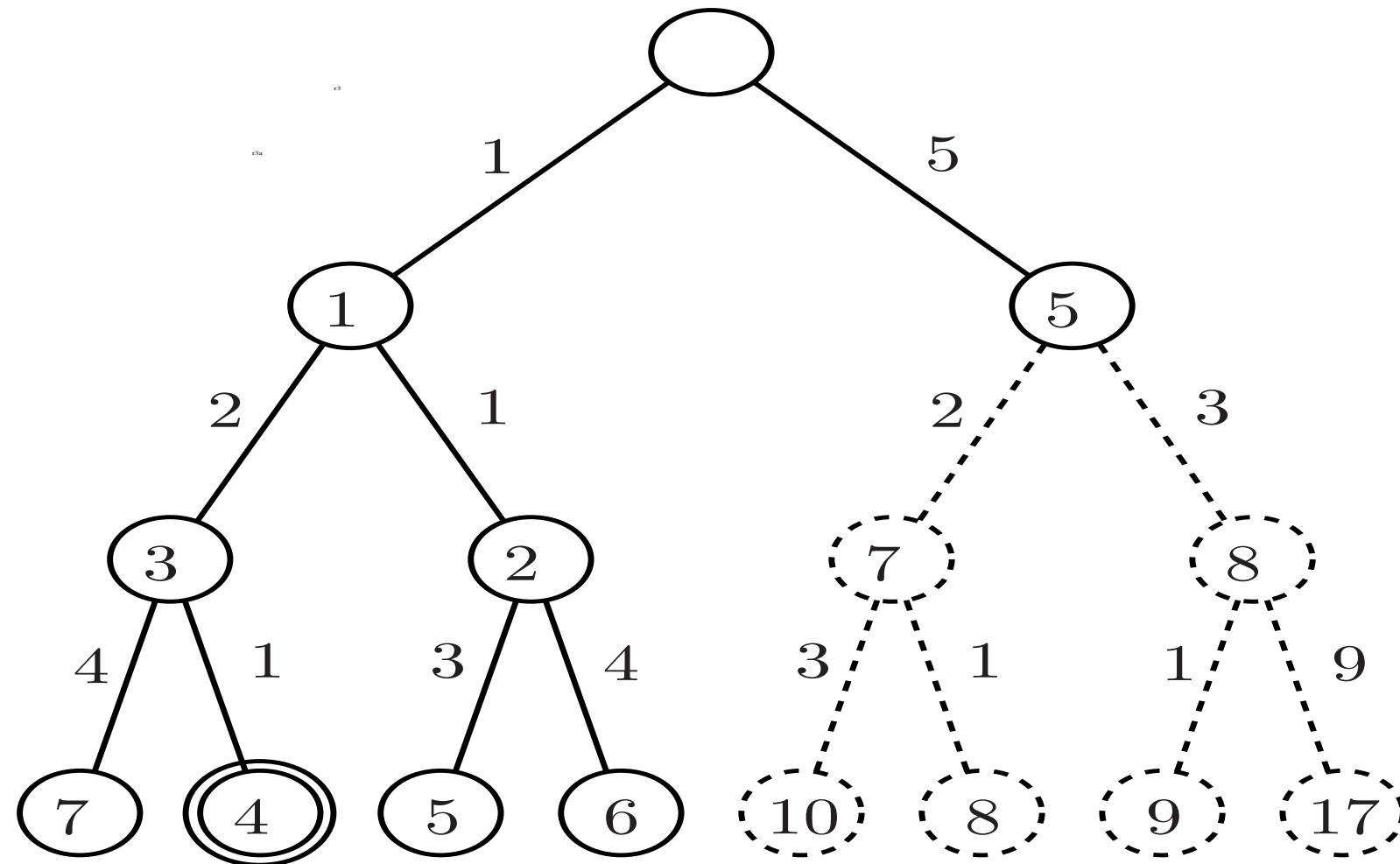
Sphere decoding (SD)

- ⇒ Select a sphere radius, R . Then traverse the tree, but once encountering a node with cumulative metric $> R$, do not follow it down
- ⇒ Enumerates all leaf nodes which lie inside the sphere $\|\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}\|^2 \leq R$
- ⇒ Improvements:
 - ➡ Pruning: At each leaf, update R according to $R := \min(R, M)$
 - ➡ Improvements: optimal ordering of s_k
 - ➡ Branch enumeration
(e.g., $s_k = \{-5, -3, -1, -1, 3, 5\}$ vs. $s_k = \{-1, 1, -3, 3, -5, 5\}$)
- ⇒ Known facts:
 - ➡ The algorithm solves the problem, if allowed to finish
 - ➡ Runtime is random and algorithm cannot be parallelized
 - ➡ Under relevant circumstances, average runtime is $O(2^{\alpha n})$ for $\alpha > 0$

SD, without pruning, $R = 6$



SD, with pruning, $R = \infty$

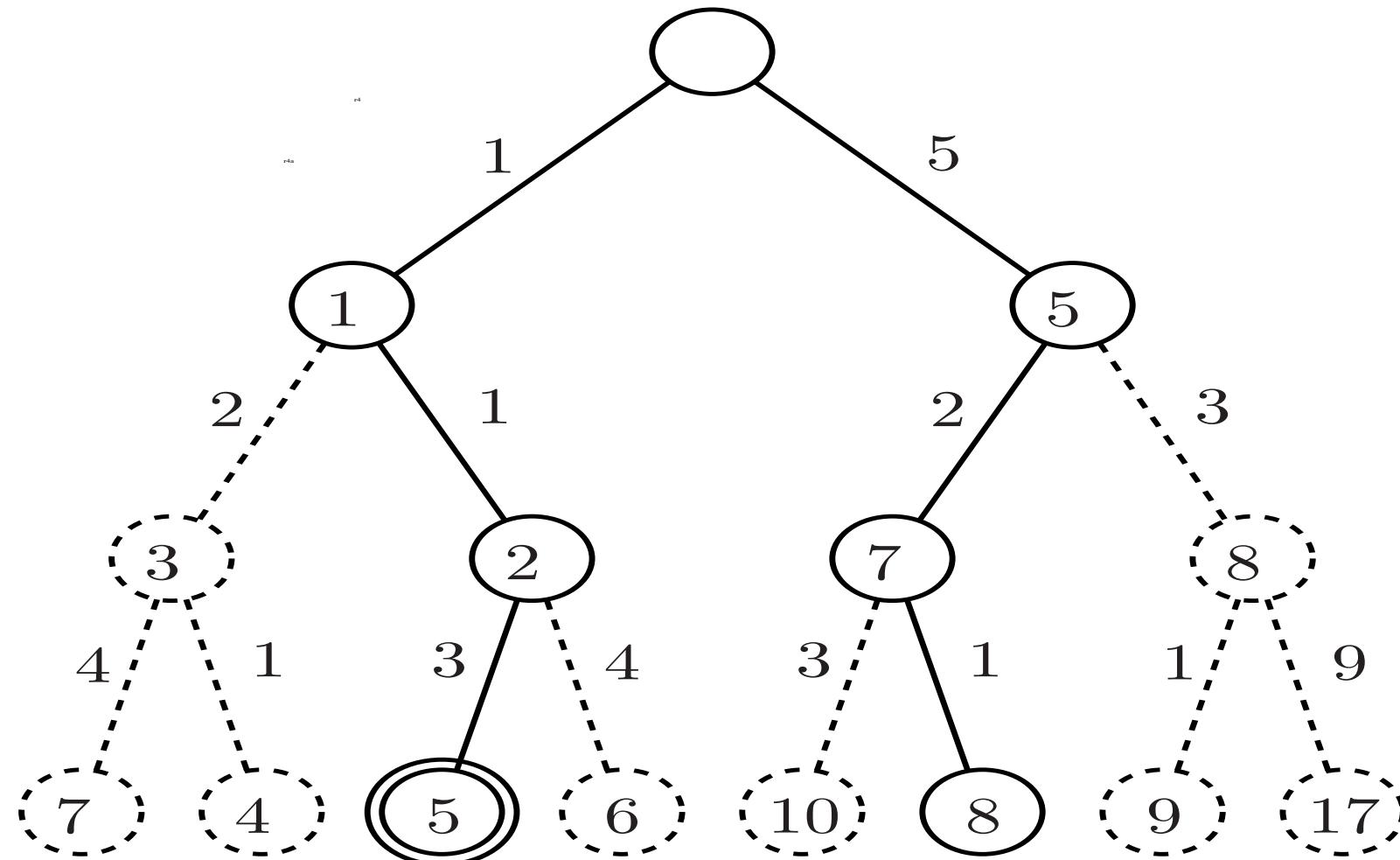


“Fixed complexity” sphere decoding (FCSD)

- ▷ Select a user parameter r , $0 \leq r \leq n$
- ▷ For each node on layer r , consider $\{s_1, \dots, s_r\}$ fixed and solve

$$(*) \quad \min_{\substack{\{s_{r+1}, \dots, s_n\} \\ s_k \in \mathcal{S}}} \{f_{r+1}(s_1, \dots, s_{r+1}) + \dots + f_n(s_1, \dots, s_n)\}$$

- ▷ Subproblem (*) solved using $|\mathcal{S}|^r$ times
- ▷ Low-complexity approximation (e.g. ZF-DF) can be used.
Why? (*) is overdetermined (equivalent \mathbf{G} is tall)
- ▷ Order can be optimized: start with the “worst”
- ▷ Fixed runtime, fully parallel structure

FCSD, $r = 1$ 

Semidefinite relaxation (for $s_k \in \{\pm 1\}$)

Let $\bar{s} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} s \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $S \triangleq \bar{s}\bar{s}^T = \begin{bmatrix} s \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\Psi \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} L^T L & -L^T \tilde{y} \\ -\tilde{y}^T L & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Then

$$\|\tilde{y} - Ls\|^2 = \bar{s}^T \Psi \bar{s} + \|\tilde{y}\|^2 = \text{Trace}\{\Psi S\} + \|\tilde{y}\|^2$$

so the problem is to

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \text{Trace}\{\Psi S\} \\ \text{diag}\{S\}=\{1,\dots,1\} \\ \text{rank}\{S\}=1 \\ \bar{s}_{n+1}=1 \end{array}$$

- ⇒ SDR proceeds by relaxing $\text{rank}\{S\} = 1$ to S positive semidefinite
- ⇒ Interior point methods used to find S
- ⇒ s recovered, e.g., by taking dominant eigenvector and project onto \mathcal{S}^n

Lattice reduction

- ⇒ Extend \mathcal{S}^n to lattice. For example, if $\mathcal{S} = \{-3, -1, 1, 3\}$, then $\bar{\mathcal{S}}^n = \{\dots, -3, -1, 1, 3, \dots\} \times \dots \times \{\dots, -3, -1, 1, 3, \dots\}$.
- ⇒ Decide on orthogonal *integer* matrix $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ that maps $\bar{\mathcal{S}}^n$ onto itself:

$$T_{k,l} \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad |\mathbf{T}| = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{T}\mathbf{s} \in \bar{\mathcal{S}}^n \quad \forall \mathbf{s} \in \bar{\mathcal{S}}^n$$

- ⇒ Find one such \mathbf{T} for which $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{T} \propto \mathbf{I}$
- ⇒ Then solve $\hat{\mathbf{s}}' \triangleq \arg \min_{\mathbf{s}' \in \bar{\mathcal{S}}^n} \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{T})\mathbf{s}'\|^2$, and set $\hat{\mathbf{s}} = \mathbf{T}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{s}}'$
- ⇒ Critical steps:
 - ⇒ Find suitable \mathbf{T} (computationally costly, but amortize over many \mathbf{y})
 - ⇒ $\hat{\mathbf{s}} \in \bar{\mathcal{S}}^n$, but $\hat{\mathbf{s}} \notin \mathcal{S}^n$ in general, so clipping is necessary

MIMO demodulation (soft)

⇒ Data model

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{y}}_{m \times 1} = \underbrace{\mathbf{G}}_{m \times n} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{s}}_{n \times 1} + \underbrace{\mathbf{e}}_{m \times 1}, \quad s_k = \mathcal{S}(b_1, \dots, b_p) \in \mathcal{S}, \quad |\mathcal{S}| = 2^p$$

⇒ Bits b_i a priori indep. with

$$L(b_i) = \log \left(\frac{P(b_i = 1)}{P(b_i = 0)} \right), \quad i = 1, \dots, np$$

⇒ Objective: Determine

$$L(b_i | \mathbf{y}) = \log \left(\frac{P(b_i = 1 | \mathbf{y})}{P(b_i = 0 | \mathbf{y})} \right)$$

Posterior bit probabilities

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(b_i|\mathbf{y}) &= \log \left(\frac{P(b_i = 1|\mathbf{y})}{P(b_i = 0|\mathbf{y})} \right) \stackrel{(a)}{=} \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=1} P(\mathbf{s}|\mathbf{y})}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=0} P(\mathbf{s}|\mathbf{y})} \right) \stackrel{(b)}{=} \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=1} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s})P(\mathbf{s})}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=0} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s})P(\mathbf{s})} \right) \\
 &\stackrel{(c)}{=} \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=1} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}) \left(\prod_{i'=1}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right)}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=0} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}) \left(\prod_{i'=1}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right)} \right) \\
 &= \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=1} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}) \left(\prod_{i'=1, i' \neq i}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right) \cdot P(b_i = 1)}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=0} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}) \left(\prod_{i'=1, i' \neq i}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right) \cdot P(b_i = 0)} \right) \\
 &= \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=1} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}) \left(\prod_{i'=1, i' \neq i}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right)}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=0} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}) \left(\prod_{i'=1, i' \neq i}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right)} \right) + L(b_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

In Gaussian noise $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{s}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma)^{m/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma}\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Gs}\|^2\right)$ so

$$L(b_i|\mathbf{y}) = \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma}\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Gs}\|^2\right) \left(\prod_{i'=1, i' \neq i}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right)}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=0} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma}\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Gs}\|^2\right) \left(\prod_{i'=1, i' \neq i}^{np} P(b_{i'} = b_{i'}(\mathbf{s})) \right)} \right) + L(b_i)$$

- With a priori equiprobable bits

$$L(b_i|\mathbf{y}) = \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=1} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}\|^2 \right)}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}: b_i(\mathbf{s})=0} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}\|^2 \right)} \right)$$

- \sum can be relatively well approximated by its largest term

That gives problems of the type

$$\min_{\mathbf{s} \in \mathcal{S}^n, b_i(\mathbf{s})=\beta} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}\|^2$$

This is called “max-log” approximation

- If many candidates s are examined, then use these terms in \sum
 - List-decoding algorithm

Incorporating a priori probabilities (BPSK/dim case)

- Consider $s_k \in \{\pm 1\}$, and let

$$s_k = 2b_k - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_k &\triangleq \frac{1}{2} \log (P(s_k = -1)P(s_k = 1)) = \frac{1}{2} \log (P(b_k = 0)P(b_k = 1)) \\ \lambda_k &\triangleq \log \left(\frac{P(s_k = 1)}{P(s_k = -1)} \right) = \log \left(\frac{P(b_k = 1)}{P(b_k = 0)} \right) = L(b_k)\end{aligned}$$

- The prior is linear in s_k :

$$\begin{aligned}\log(P(s_k = s)) &= \frac{1}{2}[(1 + s) \log(P(s_k = 1)) + (1 - s) \log(P(s_k = -1))] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\gamma_k + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_k s_k\end{aligned}$$

⇒ Write

$$L(s_k|\mathbf{y}) = \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}:s_k=1} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{\sigma} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^n (\gamma_i + \lambda_i s_i) \right)}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}:s_k=0} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{\sigma} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{s}\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^n (\gamma_i + \lambda_i s_i) \right)} \right) + \lambda_k$$

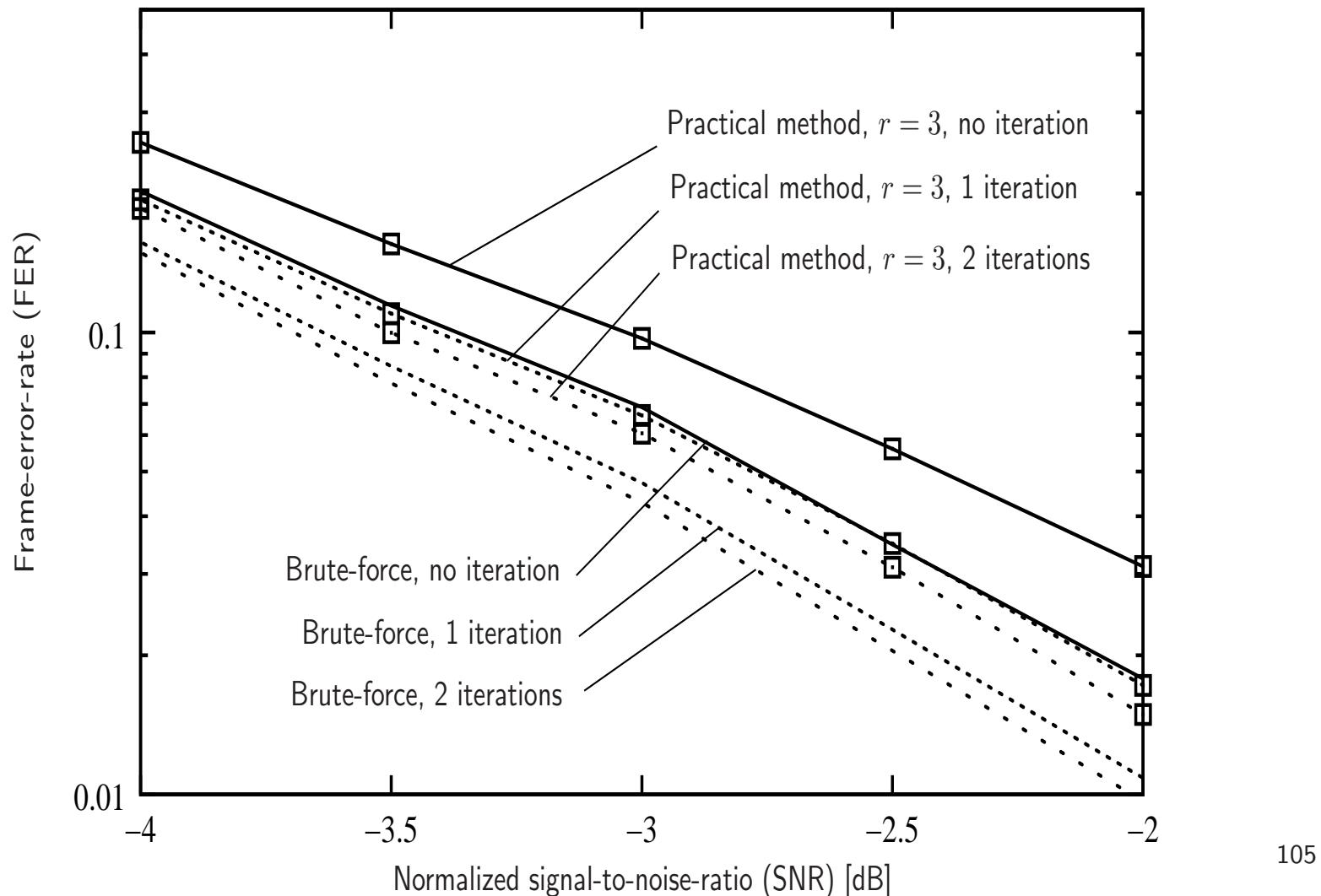
⇒ Define $\tilde{\mathbf{y}} \triangleq [\mathbf{y}^T \ 1 \ \dots \ 1]^T$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{G}} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G} \\ \Lambda_k \end{bmatrix}$ where
 $\Lambda_k \triangleq \text{diag} \left\{ \frac{\sigma}{4} \lambda_1, \dots, \frac{\sigma}{4} \lambda_{k-1}, \frac{\sigma}{4} \lambda_{k+1}, \dots, \frac{\sigma}{4} \lambda_n \right\}$

⇒ Then

$$L(s_k|\mathbf{y}) = \log \left(\frac{\sum_{\mathbf{s}:s_k=1} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{\sigma} \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \tilde{\mathbf{G}}\mathbf{s}\|^2 + \sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^n \left(\frac{\sigma \lambda_i^2}{16} + \frac{\gamma_i}{2} \right) \right)}{\sum_{\mathbf{s}:s_k=0} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{\sigma} \|\tilde{\mathbf{y}} - \tilde{\mathbf{G}}\mathbf{s}\|^2 + \sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^n \left(\frac{\sigma \lambda_i^2}{16} + \frac{\gamma_i}{2} \right) \right)} \right) + \lambda_k$$

⇒ A priori information on s_k → “virtual antennas”

Example w. iter. decod. 4×4 , $r = 1/2$ -LDPC, 1000 bits



Channel (H) estimation and associated receivers

- ⇒ Very often pilots are used to form a channel estimate.

Consider

$$\mathbf{Y}_t = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}_t + \mathbf{E}_t$$

- ⇒ Estimate \mathbf{H} via training:

- ⇒ Maximum likelihood (in Gaussian noise):

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \underset{\mathbf{H}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\mathbf{Y}_t - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{X}_t\|^2 = \mathbf{Y}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H (\mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H)^{-1}$$

- ⇒ Can show, estimate is the same also in colored noise (e.g. co-channel interference in multiuser system)

- ⇒ Can be somewhat improved by using MMSE estimation

⇒ Estimate noise (co)variance:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\Lambda} &= \frac{1}{N_t} \mathbf{Y}_t \Pi_{\mathbf{X}_t^H}^\perp \mathbf{Y}_t^H, \quad \text{for colored noise} \\ \hat{N}_0 &= \frac{1}{N_t n_r} \text{Tr} \left\{ \mathbf{Y}_t \Pi_{\mathbf{X}_t^H}^\perp \mathbf{Y}_t^H \right\}, \quad \text{for white noise}\end{aligned}$$

→ This estimate can be used to prewhiten the received signal to suppress co-channel interference. E.g.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Y}} = \Lambda^{-1/2} \mathbf{Y}$$

→ At most $n_r - 1$ rank-1 interferers can be suppressed.

The receive array has n_r degrees of freedom.

At high SNR, Λ^{-1} becomes a projection matrix that projects out interference.

More on training

- ⇒ Training-based detector uses $\hat{\mathbf{H}}$, \hat{N}_0 and $\hat{\Lambda}$ in the coherent detector
- ⇒ Can be improved, e.g., cyclic detection
- ⇒ How should training be designed?
Optimum pilots (in many respects) satisfy $\mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H \propto \mathbf{I}$
- ⇒ Inserting pilot-based estimate in LF is *not* optimal

Cf. the use of

$$p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{H}) \text{ (coherent)}$$

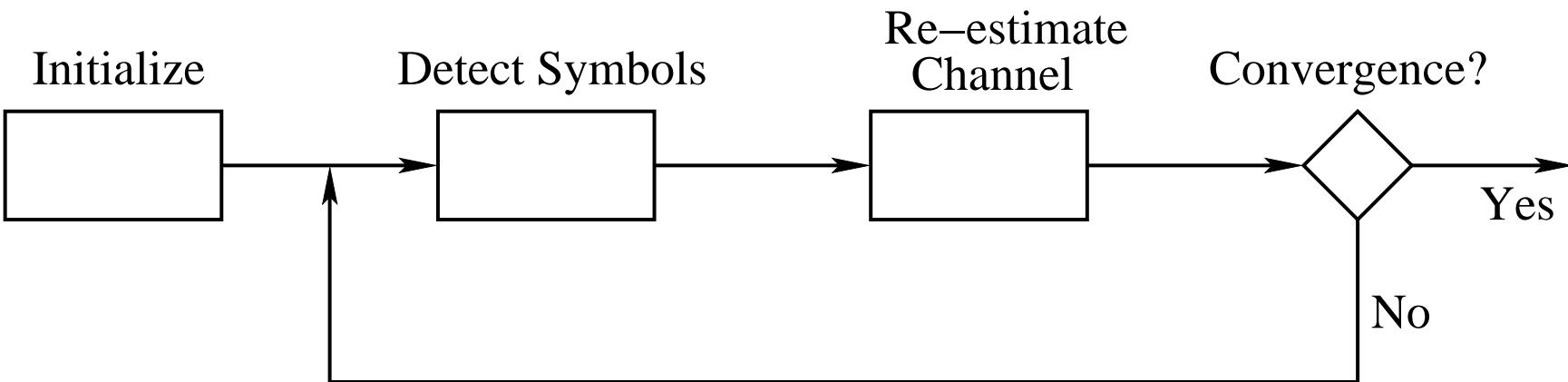
$$p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{H})|_{\mathbf{H}:=\hat{\mathbf{H}}} \text{ (training-based)}$$

$$p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}, \hat{\mathbf{H}}) \text{ (best possible given } \hat{\mathbf{H}}\text{)}$$

$$p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{Y}_t) \text{ (best possible given training data)}$$

Later, we will give $p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{Y}, \hat{\mathbf{H}})$ on explicit form

Example, joint detection and estimation schemes



- ☞ Re-estimation step may make use of soft decoder output

Optimal training

◻ Recall: ML channel estimate $\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \mathbf{Y}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H (\mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H)^{-1}$

◻ Let $\mathbf{h} = \text{vec}(\mathbf{H})$, $\hat{\mathbf{h}} = \text{vec}(\hat{\mathbf{H}})$. Can show:

$$E[\hat{\mathbf{h}}] = \mathbf{h}$$

$$\Sigma \triangleq E[(\hat{\mathbf{h}} - \mathbf{h})(\hat{\mathbf{h}} - \mathbf{h})^H] = \dots = N_0 \left((\mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H)^{-T} \otimes \mathbf{I} \right)$$

$$\text{Tr}\{\Sigma\} = n_r \text{Tr}\{(\mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H)^{-1}\} N_0$$

◻ Lemma: Suppose $\text{Tr}\{\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^H\} \leq n_t$. Then

$$\text{Tr}\{(\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^H)^{-1}\} \geq n_t \quad \text{with equality if and only if } \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^H = \mathbf{I}$$

◻ Application of lemma \rightarrow optimal training block is (semi-)unitary:

$$\mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H \propto \mathbf{I}$$

Channel estimation for frequency-selective channels

- ▷ MIMO channel as matrix-valued FIR filter:

$$\mathbf{H}(z^{-1}) = \sum_{l=0}^L \mathbf{H}_l z^{-l}$$

- ▷ L is the length of the channel, $L = 0$ for ISI-free channel

- ▷ Transfer function:

$$\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \sum_{l=0}^L \mathbf{H}_l e^{-i\omega l}$$

- ▷ Transmission methods:

- ➡ Single-carrier (block-based)

- ➡ Multicarrier (e.g. OFDM)

Training for frequency selective channels

- ▷ Two basic approaches:
 - ➡ Frequency-domain estimation (estimate $\mathbf{H}(\omega)$)
 - ➡ Time-domain estimation (estimate \mathbf{H}_l , then compute $\mathbf{H}(\omega)$ via FT)
- ▷ Frequency-domain estimation of $\mathbf{H}(\omega)$ is straightforward:
 - ➡ Estimate in the frequency domain (via ML):

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}}(\omega) = \mathbf{Y}_t(\omega) \mathbf{X}_t^H(\omega) (\mathbf{X}_t(\omega) \mathbf{X}_t^H(\omega))^{-1}$$

- ➡ Problem: suboptimal because parameterizations is not parsimonious.
It does not exploit structure that

$$\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \sum_{l=0}^L \mathbf{H}_l e^{-i\omega l}$$

Time-domain estimation of $\mathbf{H}(\omega)$

- Let $\mathbf{x}(n)$ be time-domain training, $\mathbf{y}(n)$ received (t-d) training and define

$$\mathbf{X}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_t^T(0) & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_t^T(-L) \\ \mathbf{x}_t^T(1) & \ddots & & & \mathbf{x}_t^T(1-L) \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_t^T(N-1) & \cdots & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_t^T(0) & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_t^T(N-1-L) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_0^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{H}_L^T \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{Y}_t = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_t^T(0) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{y}_t^T(N-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

- Then the ML estimate of $\mathbf{H}(\omega)$ is:

$$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = (\mathbf{X}_t^H \mathbf{X}_t)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_t^H \mathbf{Y}_t, \quad \hat{\mathbf{H}}(\omega) = \sum_{l=0}^L \hat{\mathbf{H}}_l e^{-i\omega l}$$

- Exploits structure (L unknowns but N equations)

Metrics with imperfect CSI (complex y, s, G, e)

- ⇒ G not known perfectly → replacing G with \hat{G} in $p(y|s, G)$ **not** optimal!
- ⇒ Instead, need to work with $p(y|s, \hat{G})$. Write

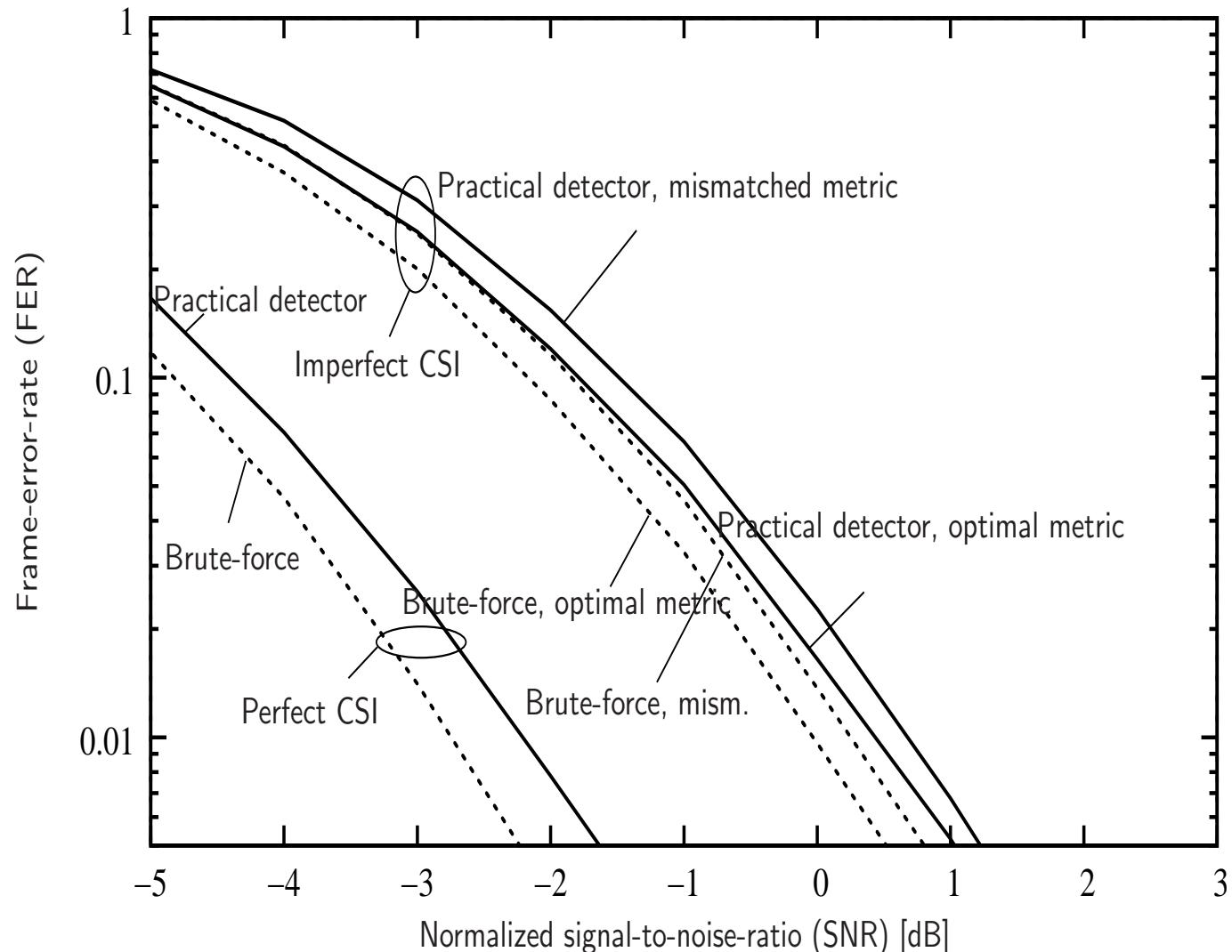
$$y = Gs + e \Leftrightarrow y = (s^T \otimes I)h + e, \quad h = \text{vec}(G), \quad e = \text{vec}(E)$$

Suppose $\|s\|^2 = n$ and $\begin{cases} h \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \rho I), & e \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma I) \\ \hat{h} = h + \delta, & \delta \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \epsilon I) \end{cases}$

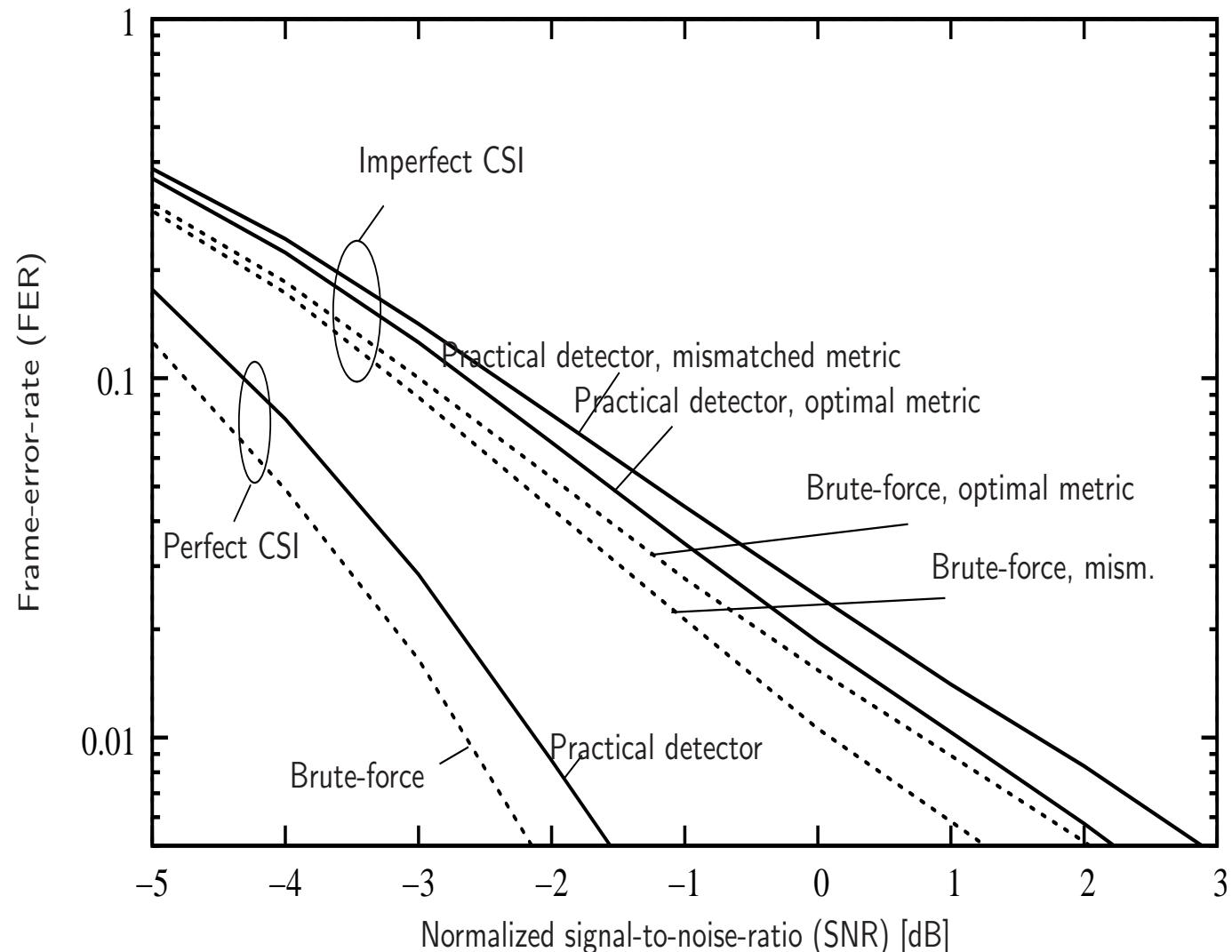
- ⇒ Then $\begin{bmatrix} y \\ \hat{h} \end{bmatrix} \sim N\left(\mathbf{0}, \begin{bmatrix} (n\rho + \sigma)I & \rho(s^T \otimes I) \\ \rho(s^* \otimes I) & (\rho + \epsilon)I \end{bmatrix}\right)$ so

$$p(y|\hat{h}, s) = \frac{1}{\pi^n} \frac{1}{\frac{n\epsilon}{1+\epsilon/\rho} + \sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\frac{n\epsilon}{1+\epsilon/\rho} + \sigma} \left\| y - \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho + \epsilon}\right) \hat{G}s \right\|^2\right)$$

Example: 4×4 slow Rayl. fading MIMO, QPSK, est. G



Example: 4×4 slow Rayl. fad., QPSK, outdat. G



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