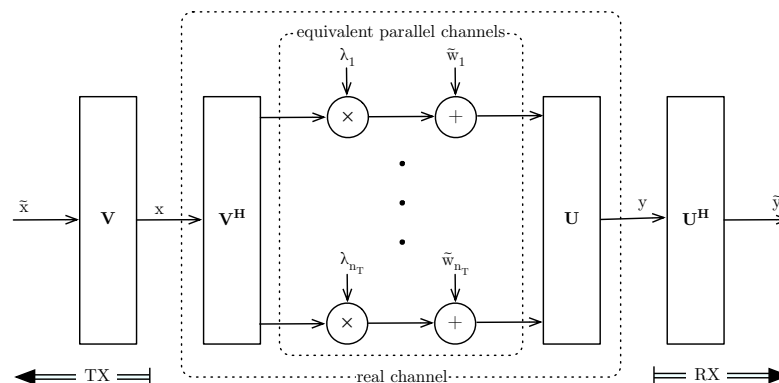


## Introduction

In class we have seen how a MIMO channel can be converted into a set of independent SISO channels using singular value decomposition (SVD). We will now examine this transformation in a MATLAB environment.

## Scenario

Consider the MIMO transmission scenario shown below, with  $n_T$  transmit and  $n_R$  receive antennae. Assume that the channel is stable (i.e.  $\mathbf{H}$  does not change) over the entire block length of  $L$  symbols. We would like to achieve virtual transmission of each symbol in  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  over an independent eigenmode of the channel.



## Exercises

### Task 1

Assuming  $n_T = n_R = 4$  and high SNR ( $\sigma_n^2 = 0.01$ ), reproduce the system shown above by completing the 4 missing lines of code in `mimoSimulator.m`.

What relationship can you observe between the transmitted  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  and received  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$  given the singular values (eigenmodes) in  $\mathbf{S}$ ? Notice that the singular values are given in descending order.

Now lower the SNR by setting  $\sigma_n^2 = 0.5$  and simulate the transmission of  $10^4$  symbols over each eigenchannel by setting  $L$ . Execute the following to calculate the BER on each channel

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>> sum(xb~=yb,2)/L
```

What can you conclude about the reliability of each channel, given that  $\sigma_n^2$  applies equally to all of them?

## Task 2

Now examine some asymmetric cases  $n_T \geq n_R$ , e.g.  $[n_T, n_R] = [5, 3]$  and  $[3, 5]$ . What happens to  $\tilde{x}$  in the case  $n_T > n_R$ ? And to  $\tilde{y}$  when  $n_T < n_R$ ? How many equivalent channels can we theoretically use?

*Hint: this number,  $r$ , has to do with the channel (and the matrix  $\mathbf{H}$ ) and is only bounded by  $n_T$  and  $n_R$ .*

## Task 3

This task is completely unrelated to Tasks 1 and 2. As we have seen in the lecture, assuming a channel matrix  $\mathbf{H}$  with i.i.d elements  $h_{ij} \in \mathcal{CN}(0, 1)$ , fully known at the receiver, then the optimal covariance matrix for the transmitted signal is  $\mathbf{K}_x = (P'/n_T)\mathbf{I}_{n_T}$ . In this case, the achievable capacity is given by

$$C = E \left[ \log_2 \det \left( \mathbf{I}_{n_T} + \frac{\text{SNR}}{n_T} \mathbf{S}^2 \right) \right]$$

where  $\mathbf{S}$  contains only diagonal entries, which are the ordered singular values of  $\mathbf{H}$ .

We would now like to examine via simulation the increase in capacity with the number of antennae, as a function of SNR. We will only consider symmetric MIMO scenarios, where  $n_T = n_R$ . A starting script is given in `capacityWithAntennae.m`. Complete this script, to produce a graphic with three curves, for the MIMO  $2 \times 2$ ,  $3 \times 3$ , and  $4 \times 4$  configurations, taking the expectation above over  $10^4$  channel realizations. What happens to the capacity as the number of antennae increases?

## Hand In Instructions

You can submit your solutions (2 Matlab scripts and a short report) online on to the moodle website of the lecture until 03.05.2013.