

Alamouti Code

MULTIPLE
ANTENNAS.

- It is an Orthogonal Space Time Block Code
 $r = 1$ 1 X 2 SYSTEM.
 $t = 2$
- For a system with 2 transmit antennas and 1 receive antenna

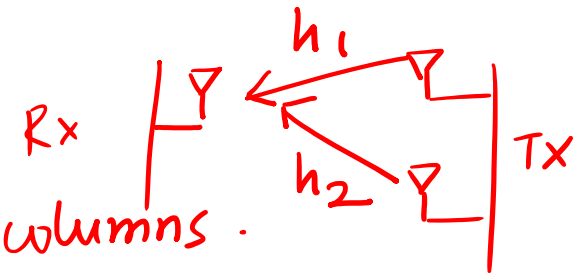


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- Consider now a $r = 1, t = 2$ system
- This is a 1×2 system
MULTIPLE INPUT
SINGLE OUTPUT.
- Also known as a MISO system



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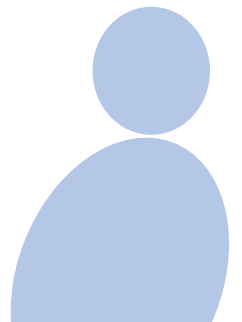


- The MISO channel is given as 1×2 2 channel coeffs.

$$[h_1 \quad h_2] = \bar{\mathbf{h}}^T$$

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- h_1 is the **channel coefficient** between
RX ANTENNA and TX ANTENNA 1
- h_2 is the **channel coefficient** between
RX ANTENNA and TX ANTENNA 2



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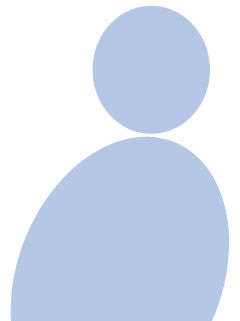
- In the first time instant consider the transmit vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

First Transmit
instant

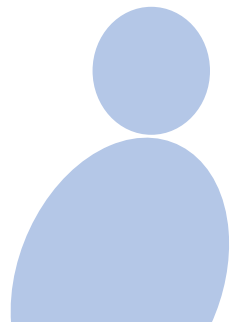
TRANSMIT
ANTENNA 1

TRANSMIT
ANTENNA 2



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- x_1 is transmitted from Transmit antenna 1
- x_2 is transmitted from Transmit antenna 2



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- Total power is split equally between x_1 and x_2

POWER = P

SPLIT EQUALLY.

$$E\{|x_1|^2\} = E\{|x_2|^2\} = \frac{P}{2}$$

Each symbol has half
Transmit Power



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- Therefore, output in **time instant 1** is given as

$$y_1 = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + n_1$$

OUTPUT
IN FIRST
TIME
INSTANT

$$= h_1 x_1 + h_2 x_2 + n_1 = y_1$$



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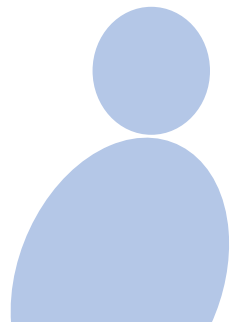
Time instant 2

- In the second time instant consider the transmit vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} -x_2^* \\ x_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

Transmit antenna 1

Transmit antenna 2

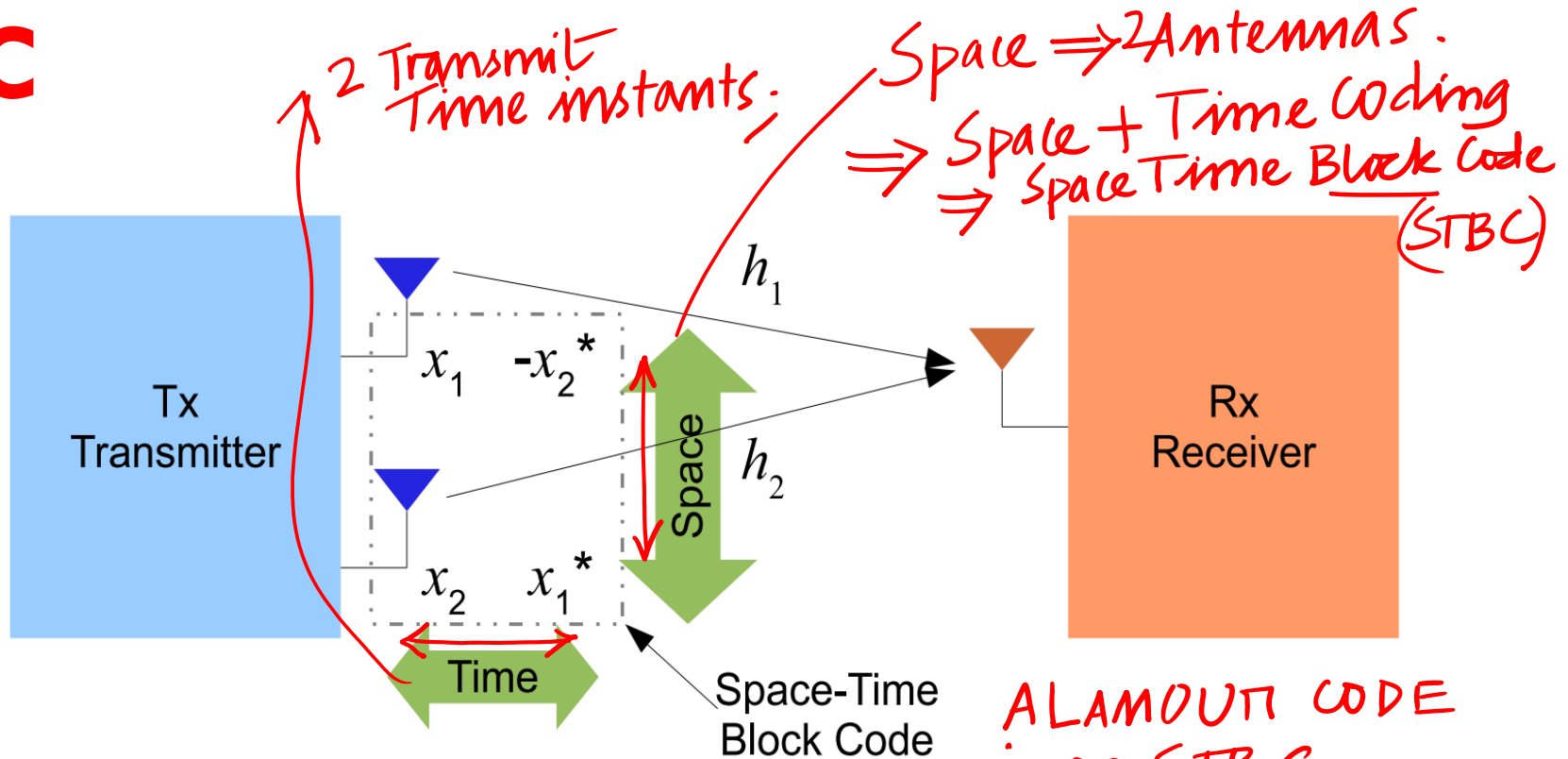


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- $-x_2^*$ is transmitted from Transmit antenna 1
- x_1^* is transmitted from Transmit antenna 2



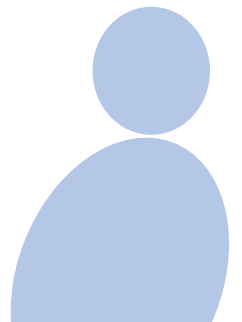
STBC



ALAMOUTI CODE is an STBC.

STBC

- Coding across SPACE and TIME
- Hence termed (STBC) SPACE TIME BLOCK CODE



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- Therefore, output in **time instant 2** is given as

$$y_2 = [h_1 \quad h_2] \begin{bmatrix} -x_2^* \\ x_1^* \end{bmatrix} + n_2$$

NOISE AT TIME = 2

OUTPUT AT TRANSMIT INSTANT 2

$$= -h_1 x_2^* + h_2 x_1^* + n_2 = y_2$$

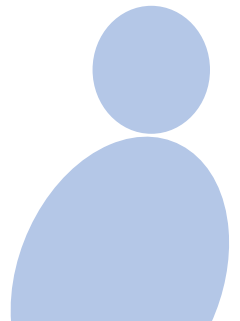
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- Consider now y_2^*

$$y_2 = -h_1 x_2^* + h_2 x_1^* + n_2$$

Complex conjugate
of output at
time = 2

$$\begin{aligned} y_2^* &= -h_1^* x_2 + h_2^* x_1 + n_2^* \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + n_2^* \\ &= h_2^* x_1 + (-h_1^*) x_2 + n_2^* \end{aligned}$$



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- The net system model is given as

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2^* \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{output Vector}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ -h_2^* & h_1^* \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{2x2 Alamouti matrix}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Symbol Vector}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} n_1 \\ n_2^* \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Noise Vector}}$$

Very interesting matrix !!



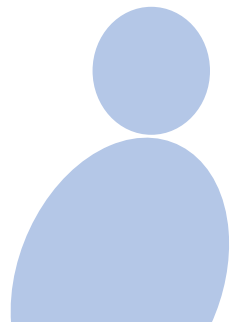
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- What is the interesting aspect of the matrix below?

2x2 ALAMOUTI MATRIX

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

INTERESTING!



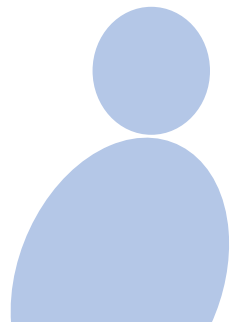
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- The columns of the matrix below are

ORTHOGONAL \Rightarrow inner product of column vectors = 0

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

\bar{u}, \bar{v}
 $\bar{u}^H \bar{v} = \text{inner product}$
 \bar{u}, \bar{v} orthogonal
 \Rightarrow inner product = 0
 $\bar{u}^H \bar{v} = 0$



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- This can be verified as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\bar{c}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2^* \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{c}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} h_2 \\ -h_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$



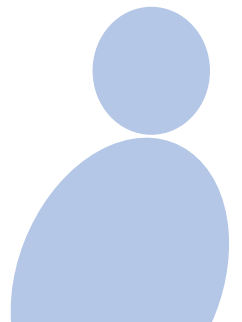
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$$\bar{C}_1^H \bar{C}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} h_1^* & h_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_2 \\ -h_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= h_1^* h_2 - h_2 h_1^* = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{C}_1, \bar{C}_2$ ARE ORTHOGONAL!!

MAKES DECODER VERY EASY!

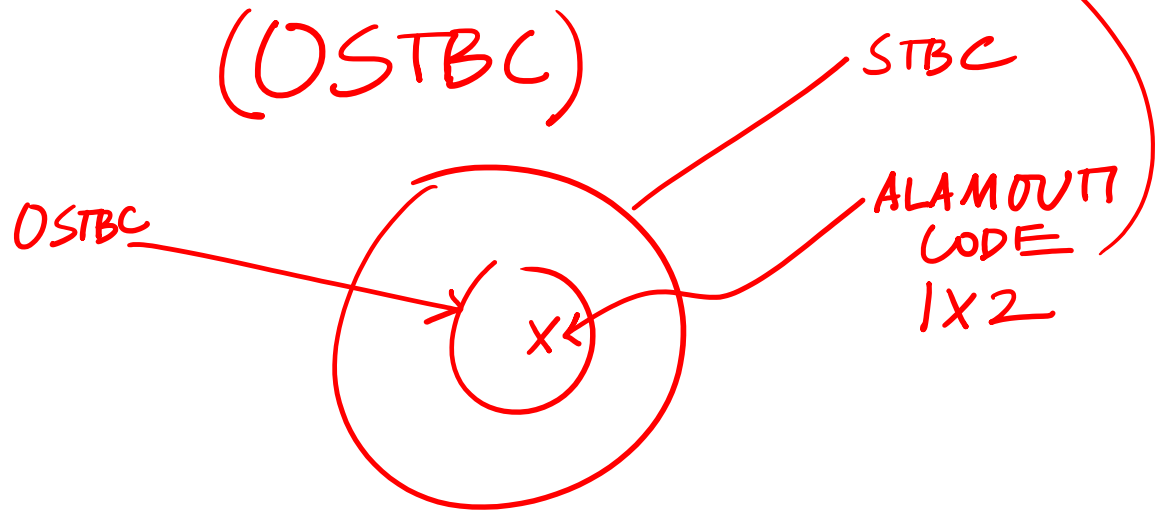


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- Hence Alamouti code is termed as

ORTHOGONAL SPACE TIME BLOCK CODE

(OSTBC)



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$$H = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix} \quad H^T = \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2^* \\ h_2 & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

- Since matrix is orthogonal, decoding can be simply performed by multiplying by inverse given as

$$\frac{1}{\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2} \mathbf{H}^H$$

$$= \frac{1}{\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} h_1^* & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1 \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{H}^H} = \frac{\mathbf{H}^H}{\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2}$$

$\mathbf{H}^H = (\mathbf{H}^T)^*$

$\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2 = |h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2$

inverse of Alamouti matrix

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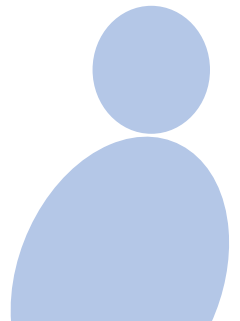
$H = 2 \times 2$ ALAMOUTI
Matrix

- Since matrix is **orthogonal**, decoding can be simply performed by **multiplying by inverse** given as

$$H^{-1} = \frac{1}{\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2} \mathbf{H}^H = \frac{1}{\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2} \begin{bmatrix} h_1^* & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\xrightarrow{|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2}$

$$\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2^* \end{bmatrix}$$
$$H^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{y}} = \frac{1}{\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbf{H}^H \bar{\mathbf{y}}}_{\text{Decoder operation}}$$



Alamouti Code Example

Example for
Alamouti code.

Multiple input
single output.

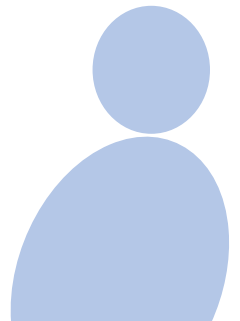
1x2
MISO channel.

- Consider the MISO channel

$$\begin{matrix} & \underbrace{\quad}^{h_1} & & \underbrace{\quad}^{h_2} & \\ [1 & -2j & & -2 & +j] \end{matrix}$$

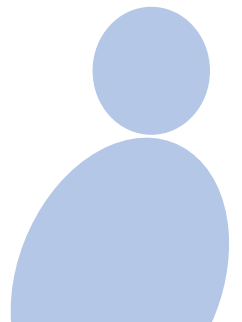
1x2

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{h}\|^2 &= |h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2 \\ &= 1 + 4 + 4 + 1 = 10. \end{aligned}$$



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- $h_1 = \underline{1 - 2j}$ is the **channel coefficient** between Rx antenna, Tx antenna 1
- $h_2 = \underline{-2 + j}$ is the **channel coefficient** between Rx antenna, Tx antenna 2



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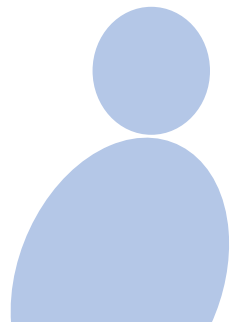
$$x_1 = -1 - j$$
$$x_2 = 1 + j$$

- In the **first time instant** consider the transmit vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 - j \\ 1 + j \end{bmatrix}$$

Handwritten annotations in red:

- A red oval around the top element $-1 - j$ is labeled x_1 .
- A red oval around the bottom element $1 + j$ is labeled x_2 .
- A red line points from the text "Transmit-instant = 1" to the top element $-1 - j$.



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- $x_1 = \underline{-1-j}$ is transmitted from Transmit antenna 1
- $x_2 = \underline{1+j}$ is transmitted from Transmit antenna 2



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$$x_2 = 1+j \quad x_2^* = 1-j \\ -x_2^* = -1+j$$

- In the **second time instant** consider the transmit vector

$$x_1 = -1-j \Rightarrow x_1^* = -1+j$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -x_2^* \\ x_1^* \end{bmatrix}$$

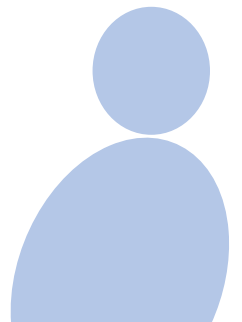
$$=$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1+j \\ -1+j \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-x_2^*$$

$$x_1^*$$

Transmit instant 2



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- In the second time instant consider the transmit vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} -x_2^* \\ x_1^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + j \\ -1 + j \end{bmatrix}$$

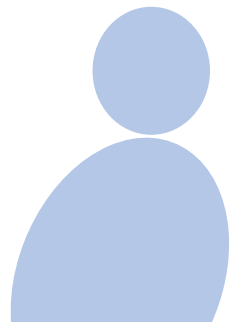
Handwritten annotations:

- Transmit antenna 1* (with an arrow pointing to the top row of the matrix)
- $-x_2^*$ (with an arrow pointing to the top element of the vector)
- x_1^* (with an arrow pointing to the bottom element of the vector)
- Transmit antenna 2* (with an arrow pointing to the bottom row of the matrix)



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- $-x_2^* = \underline{-1+j}$ is transmitted from Tx Antenna 1
- $x_1^* = \underline{-1+j}$ is transmitted from Tx antenna 2



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- Alamouti matrix is given as

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ h_2^* & -h_1^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1-2j & -2+j \\ -2-j & -1-2j \end{bmatrix}$$

2x2 Alamouti matrix
 $h_1 = 1-2j$
 $h_1^* = 1+2j$

$$h_2^* = -2-j$$

$$h_2 = -2+j$$

$$-h_1^* = -1-2j$$

$$\bar{c}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1-2j \\ -2-j \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{c}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2+j \\ -1-2j \end{bmatrix}$$

2x2 ALAMOUTI MATRIX.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{c}_1^H \bar{c}_2 &= (1+2j)(-2+j) + (-2+j)(-1-2j) \\ &= (1+2j)(-2+j) - (-2+j)(1+2j) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

\bar{c}_1, \bar{c}_2 orthogonal.
 Because inner product = 0.

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- The columns can be seen to be orthogonal as follows

$$\begin{array}{cc} \begin{bmatrix} h_1 & h_2 \\ \underbrace{h_2^*}_{\bar{c}_1} & \underbrace{-h_1^*}_{\bar{c}_2} \end{bmatrix} & \begin{array}{l} \bar{c}_1^H \bar{c}_2 = 0 \\ \bar{c}_1, \bar{c}_2 \text{ are } \underline{\text{Orthogonal}}. \end{array} \end{array}$$
$$\bar{c}_1^H \bar{c}_2 = h_1^* h_2 + h_2 (-h_1^*) = h_1^* h_2 - h_2 h_1^* = 0$$

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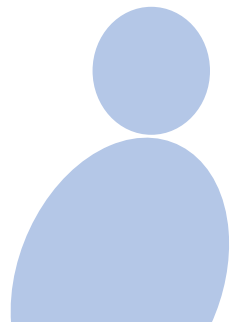
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2j & -2 + j \\ -2 - j & -1 - 2j \end{bmatrix}$$

h_1 2x2 Alamouti matrix h_2
 h_2^* $-h_1^*$

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + 2j)(-2 + j) + (-2 + j)(-1 - 2j) \\ &= (1 + 2j)(-2 + j) \\ &- (-2 + j)(1 + 2j) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{c}_1^H \bar{c}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{columns are Orthogonal!!!}$$

OSTBC



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$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1-2j & -2+j \\ -2-j & -1-2j \end{bmatrix}$$

- Decoding can be simply performed by **multiplying by inverse** given as *Decoding matrix*

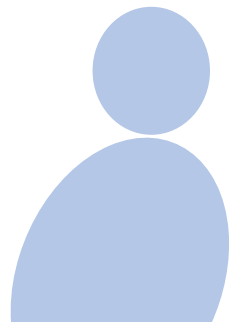
$$\frac{1}{\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2} \mathbf{H}^H = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 1+2j & -2+j \\ -2-j & -1+2j \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{H}^{-1}$$

\mathbf{H}^H

$$\|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2 = |h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2$$

$$= |-2j|^2 + |-2+j|^2$$

$$= 1 + 4 + 4 + 1 = 10$$



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- Decoding can be simply performed by **multiplying by inverse** given as

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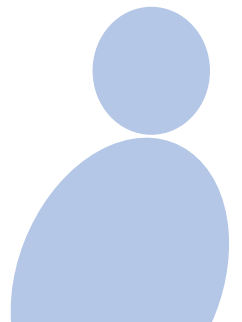
Alamouti BER

- The output SNR for each stream is given as

Splitting power
Each stream has
 $\frac{1}{2}$ power

$$E\{|x_1|^2\} = E\{|x_2|^2\} = \frac{P}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} SNR_o &= \|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2 \frac{\frac{P}{2}}{N_0} = \frac{1}{2} \times \|\bar{\mathbf{h}}\|^2 \times SNR \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot (|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2) \times SNR. \end{aligned}$$



Alamouti BER

$$\text{QPSK. } \text{SNR} = \frac{P}{N_0}.$$

$$\text{BPSK. } \text{SNR} = \frac{2P}{N_0}.$$

- The output BER for BPSK is given as

ADVANTAGE:

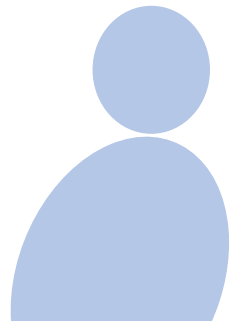
DOES NOT NEED
CHANNEL STATE
INFORMATION
@ TRANSMITTER.

$$\text{BER} = \frac{3}{\text{SNR}^2}$$

BER is decreasing
as $\frac{1}{\text{SNR}^2}$
⇒ Diversity order = 2

$$= \frac{3}{\text{SNR}^2}$$

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Does NOT
need knowledge
of channel. @
Transmitter for
Beamforming.



Alamouti BER

- Example: Evaluate BER for $\text{SNR} = 20 \text{ dB} = 10^2$

$10 \log_{10} \text{SNR} = 20$
 $\Rightarrow \log_{10} \text{SNR} = 2 \Rightarrow \text{SNR} = 10^2$
BPSK. — Binary Phase Shift
Keying.

$$\text{BER} = \frac{3}{\text{SNR}^2} = \frac{3}{(10^2)^2}$$
$$= 3 \times 10^{-4} = \text{BER}$$



Alamouti BER

- BER for SNR=20 dB equals

$$3 \times 10^{-4}$$



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