

# MIMO and Interference Management

Note:  $a = \alpha$

## Multi antenna receiver Diversity

Ex: single antenna Tx, two antenna Rx

- Two channels
  - $Y1 = h1x + n1$
  - $Y2 = h2x + n2$

What to do with both signals

1. Decode both streams and compare difference

2. Add recv signals together

- Will get stronger signal but more noise
- $Y1 + y2 = (h1+h2)x + (n1+n2)$ 
  - If signals are aligned -> strong signal
  - If Not aligned -> weak signal

3.  $a1y1 + a1y2$

- Maximal ratio combining
  - $a1=h1^*$
  - $a2=h2^*$
- Adding together cancels out phase
  - Means that signals are always aligned

## Comparing SNR of approaches

SNR = S/N

Before ->  $h1^2 x^2 / n^2$  (1 antenna case)

After ->  $(|h1|^2 + |h2|^2) * x^2 / n^2$  (2 antenna case)

- If  $|h1|^2 \sim |h2|^2$  -> double signal strength when using maximal ratio combining
- If  $|h1|^2 \ll |h2|^2$  -> Not much improvement
- If  $|h1|^2 \gg |h2|^2$  -> lots of improvement

What we lose

- More power
- More antennas (\$)
- More computation / hardware complexity

# Multi antenna Transmitter Diversity

Ex: 2 antenna tx, 1 antenna rx

$$y = h_1x_1 + h_2x_2 + n$$

Options

1. Send same signal on both antennas:  $x_1 = x_2 = x$ 
  - $y = (h_1+h_2)x + n$
  - Problem
    - $h_1$  and  $h_2$  can destructively collapse to 0
    - Power is doubled
2.  $Y = a_1h_1x + a_2h_2x + n$ 
  - $a_1=h_1^*$  and  $a_2=h_2^*$ 
    - Prevents constructive / destructive
  - ?; Why are channels different even if they are so close?
    - $\lambda/2$  away -> different channels
      - This is why phones only have like 2 antennas
  - SNR improvement =  $|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2 / |h_1|^2$ 
    - Same improvement as Rx case

Transmitter needs to know channel when calculating a values

## What if we don't know channels

Use Space time codes

- Step1: Send  $x_1$  on antenna 1, send  $x_2$  on antenna 2
- Step 2: send  $x_2^*$  on antenna 1 and  $-x_1^*$  on antenna 2
- 2 linear equations
  - $y_1 = h_1x_1 + h_2x_2 + n$
  - $y_2 = h_1x_2^* - h_2x_1^* + n$
  - Solution of 2 equations
    - Recovers  $x_1$  and  $x_2$

Basic Idea; Try to spread out same info in space and time

Pro

- Don't need to send channel feedback

Con

- More computation

## MIMO

2x2 Tx and Rx

$h_{ij}$  = channel from  $Tx_i$  to  $RX_j$

$$y_1 = h_{11}x_1 + h_{21}x_2 + n_1$$

$$y_2 = h_{12}x_1 + h_{22}x_2 + n_2$$

- $H$  must be invertible to solve
  - In practice this means we need the distance  $\lambda/2$  between channels
- Solution:  $y = Hx + n$ 
  - can have as many dimensions
- Bottleneck by which device has smaller number of antennas

## Example

1 Tx with 3 antenna

3 Rx with 1 antenna each

Send  $H^{-1}$  to all Rx

- Can send all 3 streams at the same time with only overhead of computing+sending channel
  - Multi user MIMO

## Diversity vs Multiplexing(MIMO)

Tradeoff

- Improve SNR by using diversity
  - Use all antennas to send to just one device more consistently
- Increase throughput with MIMO

Data Rate vs SNR graph

- When SNR is low, small improvements to SNR give big data rate improvement
- When SNR high, small improvement to SNR does not matter much

Low SNR -> diversity

- SNR and Data rate increase

High SNR -> MIMO

- Since there is not much extra benefit for improving SNR, improve throughput

## Rate Adaptation

Can do rate adaption along number of antennas

At a certain point, increasing symbol paradigm (ex: BPSK -> 16QAM) does not have major improvements

- Instead, combine modulation scheme with spatial dimension increase
  - Ex: 16QAM 1 antenna -> BPSK 2 antenna