A Robust Receive Diversity Scheme for Spatially Correlated Multiple-Antenna Systems Using Second-Order Channel Statistics

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Here: Transmit and receive diversity scheme for correlated MIMO systems based on statistical channel knowledge





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Basic structure: Inner decorrelation stage followed by outer selection stage

Goal: Flexible trade-off between complexity and performance for subsequent receiver stages



Focus here:

- Duality between transmit and receive diversity scheme
- Performance analysis with focus on complexity-performance trade-off offered by the reduced-dimension receiver
- Combination of reduced-dimension receiver with subsequent space-time decoding/ space-time equalization
- Impact of estimation errors (concerning the transmitter and receiver correlation matrix)



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– H: Channel matrix, $h_{ij} \sim \mathcal{CN}\{0, \sigma_h^2\}$ (Rayleigh fading)



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Eigenvalue Decompositions:

$$\mathbf{R}_{\bullet} := \mathbf{U}_{\bullet} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{\bullet} \mathbf{U}_{\bullet}^{\mathsf{H}}$$

 Λ_{\bullet} diagonal with eigenvalues $\lambda_{\mathsf{Tx},i}$ or $\lambda_{\mathsf{Rx},j}$, U_{\bullet} unitary



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Selection criterion adopted from Jelitto & Fettweis (2002): Choose *D* as **small as possible**, but such that Average discarded received power of **desired** signal < Average discarded **noise** power

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D = 1: Same slope as (2x1)-system (Choose only if SNR \leq 2 dB)



Frequency-selective Fading

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where
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Effect usually small as long as $\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathsf{Rx}}$ is not too bad



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Still: Performance loss/ complexity overhead **limited**, occurs only for certain SNR values \Rightarrow Scheme quite **robust**



Transmit diversity and **receive diversity** scheme for spatially correlated MIMO systems

- ► Simple structures, based on second-order channel statistics
- **Duality** between transmit and receive diversity scheme
- ► Closed-form expressions for bit-error-rate **performance**
- Complexity-performance trade-off of receive diversity scheme (combined with space-time decoding/ equalization)
- Impact of estimation errors w.r.t. correlation matrix
 Transmit and receive diversity scheme quite robust





Illustration of the Selection Rule

$$P_{\mathsf{disc}} := \sigma^2 \, \sum_j \lambda_{\mathsf{Rx},j} \, \leq \, (N\!-\!D) \, \sigma_n^2$$





Introduce a bias ψ :

$$\hat{P}_{\mathsf{disc}} \leq (N - D) \sigma_n^2 + \psi$$

- ▶ Some **performance loss** acceptable \Rightarrow Choose $\psi > 0$
- \blacktriangleright Some extra complexity acceptable \Rightarrow Choose $\psi < 0$

The value of ψ has to be optimized numerically, based on the quality of the estimate $\hat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathsf{Rx}}$

