

Transmit Strategies for the Gaussian Bidirectional Broadcast Channel & Latest Results

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Bidirectional Broadcast Channel

Restricted decode & forward bidirectional relaying

1. Phase: MAC
2. Phase: BiBC: BC with RX message cognition

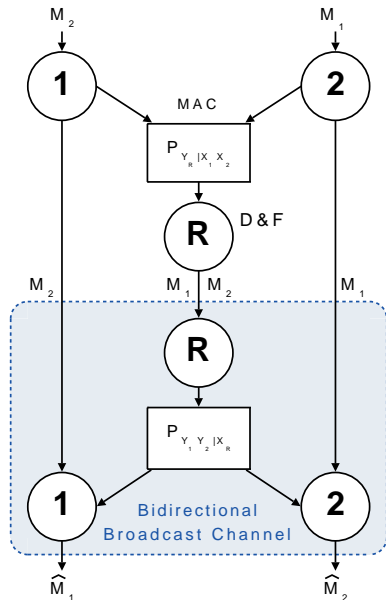
BiBC capacity region

$$R_1 \leq I(X_R; Y_1)$$

$$R_2 \leq I(X_R; Y_2)$$

Practically relevant since

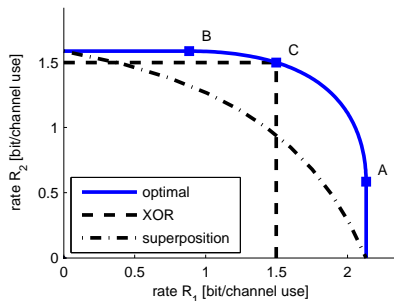
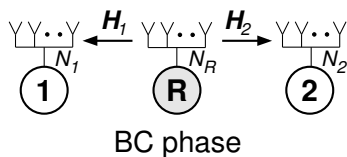
- supports modularization
- gains are easily realized



(Some) Related Literature

- **Early results:** Decode & forward strategies based on
 - superposition coding [Rankov et al. '05], [Oechtering et al. '06], et al.
 - XOR operation [Larsson et al. '04], [Wu et al. '04], [Yeung '05], et al.
 - ▣▶ optimal channel coding approach based on network coding idea (single information flow) found by many groups independently [Knopp '06], [Oechtering et al. '07], [Kim et al. '07], [Xie '07], [Wu '07]
- **Closely related problems:**
 - Common message BC (multicast) among others [Khisti '04]
 - Compound channel [Blackwell et al '59], [Wolfowitz '60], et al.
 - Slepian-Wolf coding over BC [Tuncel '06]
 - Physical-layer NC [Zhang et al. '06], [Popovski et al. '06], et al.
- **Extensions:** Compress or compute & forward strategies
 - [Schnurr et al '07], [Kim et al, '08], [Günduz et al.'08], [Wilson et al, '08], [Nam et al. '08], [Nazer et al. '08], [Ong et al. '10], [Lim et al. '10], et al.

Gaussian Multi-Antenna Bidirectional Relaying



Capacity Region of Bidirectional Broadcast Channel

$$C_{\text{BC}} := \bigcup_{\substack{\text{tr } \mathbf{Q} \leq P, \mathbf{Q} \geq 0}} \{ [R_1, R_2] \in \mathbb{R}_+^2 : R_1 \leq C_1(\mathbf{Q}), R_2 \leq C_2(\mathbf{Q}) \}$$

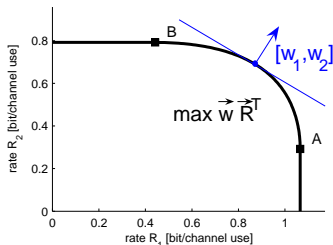
with

$$C_i(\mathbf{Q}) := \log \det \left(\mathbf{I}_{N_i} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{H}_i^H \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{H}_i \right), \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Transmit Covariance Optimization Problem

$$\arg \max_{\text{tr } Q \leq P, Q \geq 0} \sum_{i=1}^2 w_i \log \det \left(I_{N_i} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{H}_i^H \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{H}_i \right)$$

▶▶▶ **Let's study this opt. problem!**



- 1 Optimal Transmit Strategies for the MISO case
- 2 Optimal Transmit Strategies for the MIMO case
- 3 Latest Results and Conclusion

First Study – MISO Case $N_1 = N_2 = 1$

MISO optimization problem

$$Q_{\text{opt}}(w) = \arg \max_{\text{tr } Q \leq P, Q \geq 0} \sum_{i=1}^2 w_i \log \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{h}_i^H Q \mathbf{h}_i \right)$$

- Outline:
 - Subspace optimality and orthogonal channels
 - Single-beam optimality and its consequences
 - Optimal beamforming vector
- Results are published in [Trans SP '09].

First Observations

Proposition: Subspace optimality

An optimal transmit strategy transmits only into the subspace spanned by the channels, otherwise transmit power can be reduced while achieving the same rates.

▣▣▣▣ Optimal transmit strategy \mathbf{Q}_{opt} has always $\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q}_{\text{opt}}) \leq 2!$

Proposition: Orthogonal channels

For orthogonal channels any rate pair can be achieved with a single-beam as well as with a two-beam strategy.

▣▣▣▣ For orthogonal channels the capacity region can be also achieved using the superposition encoding strategy.

Optimality of the Single-Beam Strategy

Theorem: Single-beam optimality

For the MISO case we can always find an optimal single-beam transmit strategy ($\text{rank}(Q_{\text{opt}}) = 1$).

Proof outline:

- *Orthogonal channels*: Optimality follows immediately from previous propositions.
- *Non-orthogonal channels*: Any rank-two transmit strategy contradicts with the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker conditions so that the optimal transmit strategy has to have rank one. □

 **Optimal strategy is to perform a single beam onto the subspace spanned by the channels!**

Consequences of Single-Beam Optimality

For the *bidirectional broadcast channel* ...

Signal Processing

... the relay forms a single beam instead of individual beams for each user as for the classical MISO broadcast.

- Correlated channels will be beneficial (result not shown).

Channel Coding

... it is sufficient to use an one-dimensional Gaussian codebook instead of a codebook with a dimension equal to the number of transmit antennas.

- Reduction of coding complexity!

Optimal Beamforming Vector

Theorem: Property of Optimal Beamforming Vector

$$\mathbf{Q} := P\mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^H, \quad \mathbf{q} = a_1\mathbf{u}_1 + a_2\mathbf{u}_2, \quad \mathbf{h}_i = |\mathbf{h}_i|\mathbf{u}_i, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{C},$$

then

$$\arg(a_1) - \arg(a_2) = \varphi \quad |\rho|e^{i\varphi} = \mathbf{u}_1^H \mathbf{u}_2$$

▣▶ Normalized beamforming vector

$$\mathbf{q}(t) = \frac{t\mathbf{u}_1 + (1-t)e^{-j\varphi}\mathbf{u}_2}{\|t\mathbf{u}_1 + (1-t)e^{-j\varphi}\mathbf{u}_2\|}, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

▣▶ $[R_1(t), R_2(t)]$ with $R_i(t) := \log(1 + \frac{P}{\sigma^2} |\mathbf{h}_k^H \mathbf{q}(t)|^2)$, $t \in [0, 1]$
parametrizes the curved section of the capacity region!

- Egalitarian solution easily calculated from $R_1(t_{\text{eg}}) = R_2(t_{\text{eg}})$.

Extended Study – MIMO Case

MIMO optimization problem

$$Q_{\text{opt}}(w) = \arg \max_{\text{tr } Q \leq P, Q \geq 0} \sum_{i=1}^2 w_i \log \det \left(I_{N_i} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} H_i^H Q H_i \right)$$

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 - Subspace optimality and 'Orthogonal' channels
 - Karush-Kuhn-Tucker conditions – Unsymmetric Riccati equation
 - Special case: Full rank transmission
 - Special case: Parallel channels
- Results are published in [Trans Com '09].

First Observations

Proposition: Subspace optimality

An optimal transmit strategy transmits only into the vector space spanned by the set of column vectors of H_1 and H_2 .

Proposition: 'Orthogonal channels'

P_i projector onto the vector space spanned by the set of column vectors of H_i , $i = 1, 2$.

Any rate pair achievable with Q can be achieved with equivalent transmit strategies \hat{Q} with rank \hat{r} satisfying

$$\max\{r_1, r_2\} \leq \hat{r} \leq \min\{r_1 + r_2, N_R\}, \quad r_i := \text{rank}(P_i Q P_i).$$

- In general an optimal solution Q_{opt} will be not unique!
 - Makes analysis of the general optimization problem difficult.

Special Case: Invertible Channels

Lagrangian

$$L(\mathbf{Q}, \mu, \mathbf{\Psi}) = -\sum_{i=1}^2 w_i C_i(\mathbf{Q}) - \mu(P - \text{tr } \mathbf{Q}) - \text{tr } \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{\Psi}$$

Karush-Kuhn-Tucker conditions

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 w_i \mathbf{H}_i (\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_{N_i} + \mathbf{H}_i^H \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{H}_i)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_i^H = \mu \mathbf{I}_{N_R} - \mathbf{\Psi} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{Q} \geq 0, \quad P \geq \text{tr } \mathbf{Q},$$

$$\mathbf{\Psi} \geq 0, \quad \mu \geq 0,$$

$$\text{tr } \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{\Psi} = 0, \quad \mu(P - \text{tr } \mathbf{Q}) = 0$$

- If \mathbf{H}_i^{-1} exists, then (1) can be expressed as...

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- with substitutions $A_i := \sigma^2 \mathbf{H}_i^{-H} \mathbf{H}_i^{-1}$ and $B := \mu \mathbf{I}_{N_R} - \Psi$...

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- multiplication with $(\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{Q})$ and $(\mathbf{A}_2 + \mathbf{Q})$ we get...

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$$\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Q} + \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}_2 + \mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Q} - \mathbf{Q} = w_1\mathbf{A}_2 + w_2\mathbf{A}_1 - \mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}_2,$$

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- ... a **quadratic matrix equation** (also known as unsymmetric Riccati equation). A solution method exists, but further analytical results are not available so far (we do not know).

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- Notice, at this step we can multiply $(\mathbf{A}_1 + \mathbf{Q})$ and $(\mathbf{A}_2 + \mathbf{Q})$ from the left **or** from the right!

Special Case: ... and Full Rank Transmission

Full Rank Transmission and Invertible Channels

Assume: H_i^{-1} exists & the optimal covariance matrix has rank $Q = N$

⇒ $\Psi = \mathbf{0}$ and therefore $B = \mu I_N$

- Interchanging multiplications from the left and the right ...

$$w_1(A_2 + Q) + w_2(A_1 + Q) = \mu(A_1 + Q)(A_2 + Q) = \mu(A_2 + Q)(A_1 + Q)$$

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- ▣ Both have the same eigenspace, i.e., $(A_i + Q) = \mathbf{U}\Sigma_i\mathbf{U}^H, i = 1, 2$, which can be computed from

$$\begin{aligned}(A_2 + Q) - (A_1 + Q) &= \underbrace{A_2 - A_1}_{=\sigma^2((H_2H_2^H)^{-1} - (H_1H_1^H)^{-1})} = \mathbf{U}(\Sigma_2 - \Sigma_1)\mathbf{U}^H\end{aligned}$$

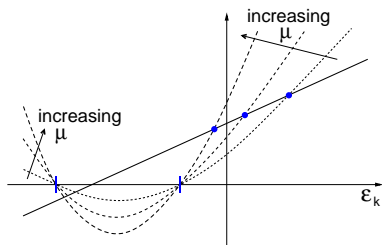
Optimal Eigenvalues

Proposition: Quadratic Equation Condition

$U = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_N]$ diagonalizes matrix equation

$$\underbrace{w_1(\delta_{2,k} + \epsilon_k) + w_2(\delta_{1,k} + \epsilon_k)}_{\text{linear in } \epsilon_k} = \underbrace{\mu(\delta_{1,k} + \epsilon_k)(\delta_{2,k} + \epsilon_k)}_{\text{quadratic in } \epsilon_k}$$

with $\delta_{i,k} = u_k^H A_i u_k > 0$ and $\epsilon_k = u_k^H Q u_k > 0$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$.



- **Solution:** Intersection between line and parabola. (negative sol. can be excluded)

- Choose μ such that $\sum_{k=1}^N \epsilon_k = P$

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$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{U} \text{diag} [\delta_{i,1} + \epsilon_1, \delta_{i,2} + \epsilon_2, \dots, \delta_{i,N} + \epsilon_N] \mathbf{U}^H - \mathbf{A}_i, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

which can be completely calculated by the previous procedure.

- Possible extension to case where \mathbf{Q}^{-1} , $(\mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{H}_1^H)^{-1}$, and $(\mathbf{H}_2 \mathbf{H}_2^H)^{-1}$ exist (Sherman-Morrison-Woodbury formula).

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Open Problem: Generalization

Non-full rank transmission & channels with different subspaces

Problem: $\Psi \neq 0$

Potential difficulty: Optimal solution may be not unique!

Complete Solution for Special Case: Parallel Channels

Definition: Parallel Channels (e.g. OFDM)

$$\mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{H}_1^H = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{W}^H \quad \mathbf{H}_2 \mathbf{H}_2^H = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{S}_2 \mathbf{W}^H$$

with $\mathbf{S}_i = \text{diag}(s_{i,1}, s_{i,2}, \dots, s_{i,N}) \geq \mathbf{0}$, $i = 1, 2$, and \mathbf{W} unitary.

- Optimal eigenvectors
 - ▮ Hadamard Inequality: $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{\Sigma}_Q \mathbf{W}^H$, $\mathbf{\Sigma}_Q = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N)$
- Optimal eigenvalues
 - ▮ Weighted rate sum maximization:

$$R_{\mathbf{\Sigma}}(\mathbf{w}) = \max_{\lambda} \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^2 w_i \log(1 + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} s_{i,k} \lambda_k) \quad \text{s.t. } \|\lambda\|_1 \leq P, \lambda_k \geq 0$$

- Previous procedure solves even non-full rank case.

► Details

BiBC Under Channel Uncertainty

- Channel uncertainty is a ubiquitous phenomenon in practical systems
 - ▮ Assume that it is only known that the exact channel realization belongs to a pre-specified set of channels \mathcal{S}
 - ▮ We need universal strategies that work for all realizations simultaneously

Theorem: Capacity Region of Compound BiBC [TCom'10]

$$R_1 \leq \inf_{s \in \mathcal{S}} I(X_R; Y_{1,s}) \quad \text{and} \quad R_2 \leq \inf_{s \in \mathcal{S}} I(X_R; Y_{2,s})$$

$Y_{i,s}$ channel output at node i for channel realization $s \in \mathcal{S}$.

- Results are extended to arbitrary varying channels.

Robust Transmit Strategies for the MISO case

- **CSI uncertainty:** $\mathbf{h}_{i,0}$ nominal (known) channel, [Loyka et al.'08]

$$\mathbf{y}_i = (\mathbf{h}_{i,0} + \mathbf{d}_i)\mathbf{x} + n_i, \quad i = 1, 2$$

perturbation $\mathbf{d}_i \in \mathcal{D}_i$

$$\mathcal{D}_i := \{\mathbf{d}_i : \sigma_1(\mathbf{d}_i) = \|\mathbf{d}_i\| \leq \epsilon_i\}$$

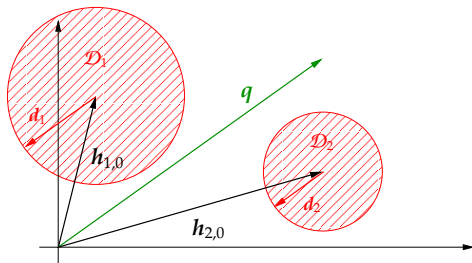
Optimal Robust Transmit Strategy

- Worst case capacity region of the MISO BiBC under channel uncertainty \mathcal{D}_i is given by set of rate pairs

$$R_1 \leq \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}(\|\mathbf{h}_{1,0}^H \mathbf{q}\| - \epsilon_1)^2\right), \quad R_2 \leq \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sigma^2}(\|\mathbf{h}_{2,0}^H \mathbf{q}\| - \epsilon_2)^2\right)$$

for some transmit strategy $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{q}\mathbf{q}^H$ with $\text{tr}(\mathbf{Q}) \leq P$.

Worst-Case Perturbation



- Worst-case perturbations can explicitly be characterized as

$$d_i(q) = -\epsilon_i e^{-j\varphi_i} \mathbf{u}_q \quad \text{with } \mathbf{u}_q = \mathbf{q}/\|\mathbf{q}\| \text{ and } \varphi_i = \arg(\mathbf{h}_{i,0}^H \mathbf{u}_q)$$

➡ Worst-case d_i are anti-parallel to transmit strategy q

- Some extensions to MIMO case possible.

Conclusion

Bidirectional broadcast channel is an appealing problem which

- is practically relevant
 - modularization, realizes some network coding gains,
- is closely related to multicast, P2P channel,
- allows derivation of closed form results in the Gaussian case

MISO: single-beam optimality manifests single information flow view, favors correlated channels






MIMO: closed-form procedure to find full rank solution

→ **extension open**,

- has many interesting extensions, e.g.,
 - compound and arbitrary varying channel versions
→ robust transmit strategies.

Thank you for your attention!

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Optimal eigenvalues

- Lagrangian: $L(\lambda, \mu, \nu) = \mu(P - \|\lambda\|_1) + \sum_{k=1}^N \left[\nu_k \lambda_k - \sum_{i=1}^2 w_i \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} s_{i,k} \lambda_k\right) \right]$,
- Optimal λ_k follows from the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker conditions

$$w_1 s_{1,k} (\sigma^2 + s_{2,k} \lambda_k) + w_2 s_{2,k} (\sigma^2 + s_{1,k} \lambda_k) = (\mu - \nu_k) (\sigma^2 + s_{1,k} \lambda_k) (\sigma^2 + s_{2,k} \lambda_k)$$

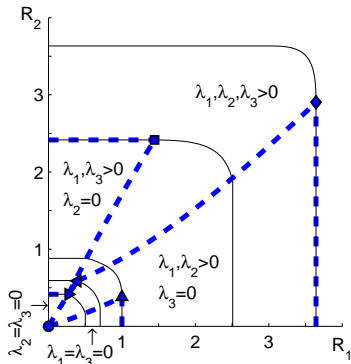
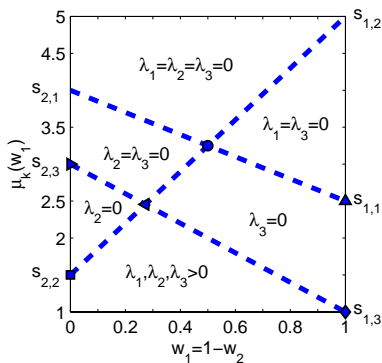
- Quadratic equation in λ_k ; negative solution can be excluded
- μ has to be chosen so that power constraint is fulfilled
- ν_k controls positivity condition of λ_k

The case $\nu_k = \lambda_k = 0$ defines a thresholds $\mu_k(w)$ where mode k is activated, i.e., for larger $P \Rightarrow$ smaller μ , we will have $\lambda_k > 0$,

$$\mu_k(w) = \sigma^{-2} (w_1 s_{1,k} + w_2 s_{2,k}).$$

Modes Areas of Parallel Channels with

$$N_1 = N_2 = N_R = 3$$



- Eigenvalue $s_{i,k}$ corresponds to the k -th eigenvector of $\mathbf{H}_i \mathbf{H}_i^H$
- ▶ The activated modes, $\lambda_k > 0$, change with the weights. At the weights corresponding to 'o' beamforming is never optimal.