

# Space-Time Block Codes from Cyclic Division Algebras

## Codes, Encoders and Decoders

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# Part I

## Introduction

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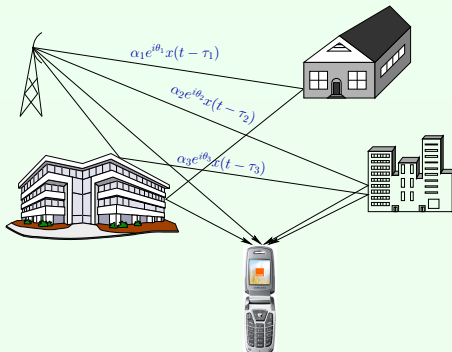
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## Paths recombination

- Each path is characterized by its magnitude  $\alpha_i$ , its phase  $\theta_i$  and its delay,  $\tau_i$ .



**Figure:** Destructive recombination due to phases  $\rightarrow$  *fadings* (here,  $x(t)$  is the transmitted signal)

# Phases dependencies

## Phase terms

$$\theta_i = -2\pi f_0 \tau_i$$

where  $f_0$  is the carrier (or subcarrier) frequency.

- Fadings vary as a function of
  - frequency
  - antennas position (since  $\tau_i$  are different from one antenna to the other one)
  - time (obstacles and terminals may move)
  - ...

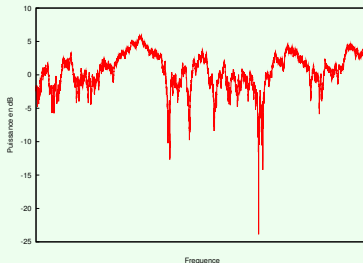


Figure: Received power as a function of the frequency

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## Diversity

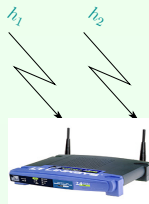


Figure: Access Point 802.11g : Selection of antenna 1 iff  $|h_1|^2 > |h_2|^2$

- **Space diversity:** Selection or Maximum Ratio Combining
- **Time or Frequency or Space-Time diversity:** Same techniques, but transmitter must introduce redundancy on different time slots, frequencies, or antennas  $\rightsquigarrow$  bad resource use.

## Space-Time diversity



- Example of a GSM Base station
- At each time burst  $t_i$ , antenna  $i$  transmits burst  $x_i$ .
- Antennas are assumed spaced enough so that fadings can be assumed independent

### Space-Time Coding

It is a primitive example of space-time coding

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- ① Inner “code”  $\rightarrow$  Space-Time Block Code
- ② Outer “code”  $\rightarrow$  Binary (or non binary) code (Convolutional, Block, LDPC, Turbo,...)

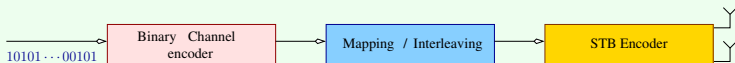


Figure: The MIMO communication chain

## Part II

# The MIMO Channel

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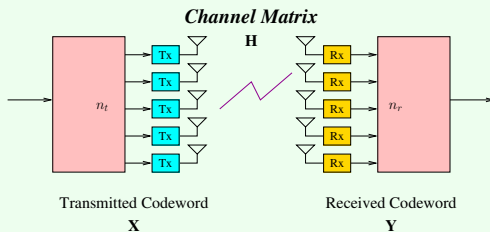


Figure: The Channel Model

- Received signal

$$\mathbf{Y}_{n_r \times T} = \mathbf{H}_{n_r \times n_t} \cdot \mathbf{X}_{n_t \times T} + \mathbf{W}_{n_r \times T} \quad (1)$$

with  $\mathbf{H}$  perfectly known at the receiver (coherent case).

- $\mathbf{H}$  is assumed constant during the transmission of one codeword.

## Pairwise Error Probability

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- Two criteria**

- The rank criterion** : In order to achieve maximum diversity  $n_t \cdot n_r$ , the matrix  $(\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_2)$  must be of maximum rank  $n_t$ .
- The coding advantage** : In order to maximize the coding gain, the quantity

$$\min_{\mathbf{X}_1 \neq \mathbf{X}_2} \det(\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_2)^\dagger \cdot (\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{X}_2) \quad (3)$$

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If we choose a channel entry such that  $\mathbf{Q} = \frac{P_{\mathbf{X}}}{n_t} \mathbf{I}_{n_t}$ , then we get,

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$$\begin{aligned} C(\gamma) &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{H}} \left[ \log_2 \det \left( \mathbf{I}_{n_r} + \frac{\gamma}{n_t} \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \right) \right] \\ &= \min \{ n_t, n_r \} \log_2 \gamma + O(1) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where  $\min \{ n_t, n_r \}$  is the number of degrees of freedom of the channel.

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$$P_{\text{out}} = \Pr \{ C(\mathbf{H}) \leq R \}$$

where  $R$  is the binary rate of the system.

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$$d = n_t \cdot n_r$$

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YES...but [Zheng Tse 2003]

We can both gain on  $r$  and  $d$  but there is a fundamental tradeoff between the two gains.

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### Theorem

*The optimal tradeoff curve  $d^*(r)$  is a piecewise-linear function connecting the points  $d^*(k)$  for  $k = 0, 1, \dots, \min\{n_t, n_r\}$  where*

$$d^*(k) = (n_t - k)(n_r - k)$$

## The Diversity vs. Multiplexing Gain tradeoff (III)

$$n_t = n_r = 4$$

D-MG Tradeoff. Remark the extremal values: Maximum diversity 16 and maximum multiplexing gain 4

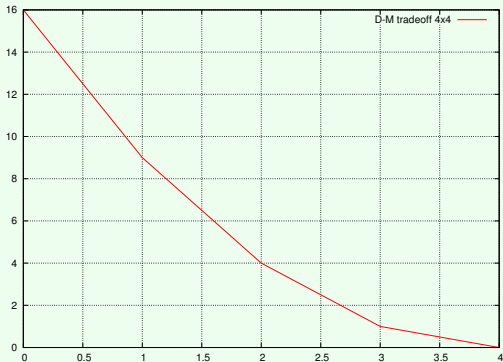


Figure: The D-MG tradeoff for  $n_t = n_r = 4$

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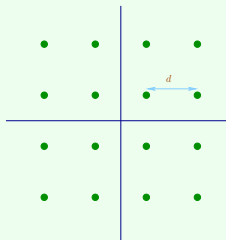
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- 1 is  $\mathcal{A}$ -linear
- 2 transmits on average  $n$  symbols per channel use (pcu) from the signal constellation  $\mathcal{A}$ .
- 3 has the non-vanishing determinant (NVD)<sup>a</sup> property.

<sup>a</sup>That means: a minimum determinant independent from the size of the constellation.



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### Theorem

For any linear block fading channel

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Z}$$

where  $\mathbf{H}$  is a  $n_r \times n_t$  channel with  $q = \min\{n_r, n_t\}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}$  is the AWGN with i.i.d. entries, the achievable D-M tradeoff of a rate- $n$  NVD code  $\chi$  satisfies

$$d_\chi(r) \geq d_{out}\left(\frac{q}{n}r\right) \quad (6)$$

where  $d_{out}(r)$  is the outage upper bound of the D-M tradeoff for the channel  $\mathbf{H}$ .

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## The Alamouti code and the D-M tradeoff

### Properties of the Alamouti code

A codeword is

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & s_2 \\ -s_2^* & s_1^* \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

with  $s_1 = p_1 + iq_1$  and  $s_2 = p_2 + iq_2$  being the 2 information symbols.

- 1 The code is linear
  - 2 It has a non vanishing determinant (minimum Euclidean norm  $|s_1|^2 + |s_2|^2$ )
  - 3 It is a rate-1 NVD code (1 symbol per channel use)
- It achieves the tradeoff  $d_{\text{out}}(2r) = (2 - 2r)^+ \cdot (n_r - 2r)^+$ .

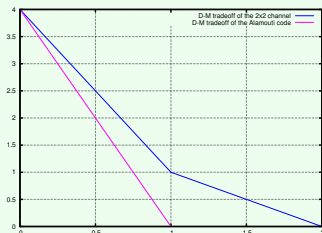


Figure: D-M tradeoff of the Alamouti code on the  $2 \times 2$  channel

## Cyclic division algebras (I)

- Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a field denoted the base field.
- Let  $\mathbb{K}$  be a cyclic extension of degree  $n$  over  $\mathbb{F}$ . We define  $e$  such that  $e^n = \gamma \in \mathbb{F}$  and

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### Matrix Formulation in dimension 3

$$\mathbf{X}_z = \begin{bmatrix} z & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma(z) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma^2(z) \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X}_e = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \gamma & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

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*If*

$$\gamma, \gamma^2, \dots, \gamma^{n-1} \notin N_{\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}}(\mathbb{K})$$

*then the algebra is a cyclic division algebra.*

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### 2 receive antennas

- We would like in fact a rate-2 NVD code.
- **Idea:** Find another CDA on another base field.

## Part III

### From the Golden code to Perfect STBCs

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### Matrix representation

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 + a_2\sqrt{5} & a_3 + a_4\sqrt{5} \\ i(a_3 - a_4\sqrt{5}) & a_1 - a_2\sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $a_k \in \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{Q}(i)$ .

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with  $\theta = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ ,  $\bar{\theta} = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$ ,  $\alpha = 1 + i - i\theta$ ,  $\bar{\alpha} = 1 + i - i\bar{\theta}$  and  $z_j \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ .

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- We can also write (9) in a split form,

$$\text{vec}\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{12} \\ x_{21} \\ x_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \alpha\theta & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha & \alpha\theta \\ 0 & 0 & i\bar{\alpha} & i\bar{\alpha}\bar{\theta} \\ \bar{\alpha} & \bar{\alpha}\bar{\theta} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ z_3 \\ z_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (10)$$

- Equation (10) is useful for the decoder.  $\alpha$  has been chosen such that matrix of eq. (10) is unitary.

## Minimum determinant

- The determinant of  $\mathbf{X}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\det \mathbf{X} &= \frac{1}{5} \left[ N_{\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}(i)}(\alpha(z_1 + z_2\theta)) - iN_{\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}(i)}(\alpha(z_3 + z_4\theta)) \right] \\ &= \frac{2+i}{5} \left[ N_{\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}(i)}(z_1 + z_2\theta) - iN_{\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{Q}(i)}(z_3 + z_4\theta) \right]\end{aligned}$$

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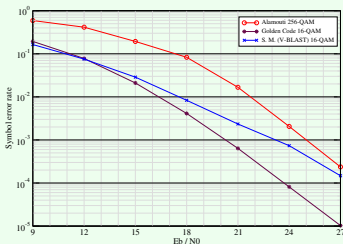
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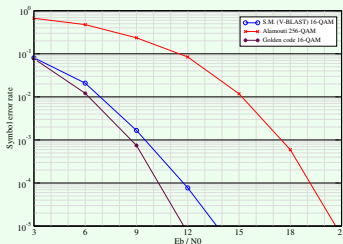
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# Numerical results

## Golden Code vs Alamouti and S.M.



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## Part IV

### Further applications

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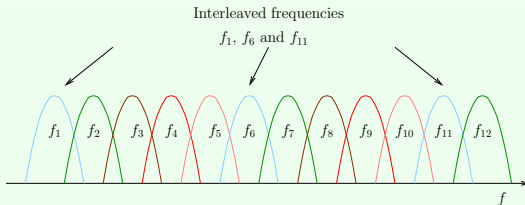
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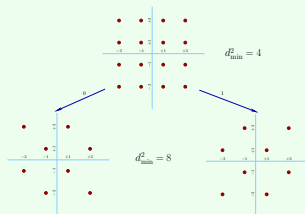


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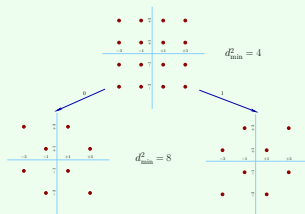


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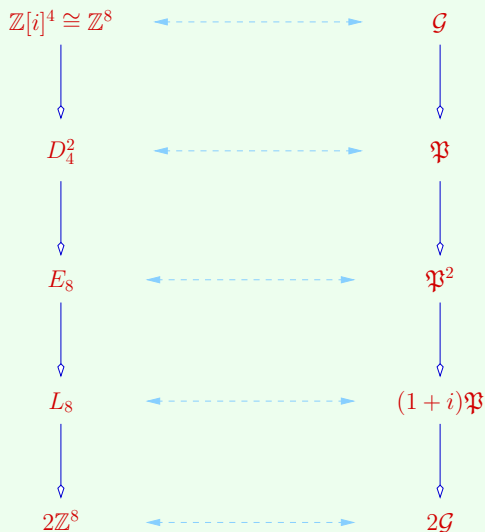
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