Algebraic Structure in Network Information Theory

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In the interest of telling a certain story,

- this tutorial does not attempt to provide an authoritative chronological account of the results;
- this tutorial does not claim to be complete (although a certain effort in this direction was made);

We will *not* address the following very interesting questions (and apologize for a potentially misleading title):

- Complexity of coding schemes
- New families of algebraic codes
- Algebraic coding theory

- Achievable rates that seem out of reach for "classical" arguments.
- Novel communication strategies where algebraic arguments appear to be of key importance.
- Recipes for how to apply these strategies to networks.
- Elements missing from Information Theory books.

Outline

I. Discrete Alphabets

II. AWGN Channels

III. Network Applications

Point-to-Point Channels

$$\mathbf{w} \longrightarrow \underbrace{\mathcal{E}} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{x}} p_{Y|X} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{y}} \underbrace{\mathcal{D}} \longrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}}$$

The Usual Suspects:

- Message $\mathbf{w} \in \{0,1\}^k$
- Encoder $\mathcal{E}: \{0,1\}^k \to \mathcal{X}^n$
- Input $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}^n$

- Estimate $\mathbf{\hat{w}} \in \{0,1\}^k$
- Decoder $\mathcal{D}: \mathcal{Y}^n \to \{0,1\}^k$
- Output $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}^n$
- Memoryless Channel $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(y_i|x_i)$
- Rate $R = \frac{k}{n}$.
- (Average) Probability of Error: P{ŵ ≠ w} → 0 as n → ∞. Assume w is uniform over {0,1}^k.

• Generate 2^{nR} codewords $\mathbf{x} = [X_1 \ X_2 \ \cdots \ X_n]$ independently and elementwise i.i.d. according to some distribution p_X

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_X(x_i)$$

- Bound the average error probability for a random codebook.
- If the average performance over codebooks is good, there must exist at least one good fixed codebook.



• Two sequences x and y are (weakly) jointly typical if

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\frac{1}{n}\log p(\mathbf{x}) - H(X) \end{vmatrix} < \epsilon \\ \begin{vmatrix} -\frac{1}{n}\log p(\mathbf{y}) - H(Y) \end{vmatrix} < \epsilon \\ -\frac{1}{n}\log p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) - H(X, Y) \end{vmatrix} < \epsilon \end{vmatrix}$$

- For our considerations, weak typicality is convenient as it can also be stated in terms of differential entropies.
- If x and y are i.i.d. sequences, the probability that they are jointly typical goes to 1 as n goes to infinity.

Decoder looks for a codeword that is jointly typical with the received sequence $\ensuremath{\mathbf{y}}$

Error Events

- 1. Transmitted codeword x is not jointly typical with y.
 - ⇒ Low probability by the Weak Law of Large Numbers.



2. Another codeword $\mathbf{\tilde{x}}$ is jointly typical with $\mathbf{y}.$

Cuckoo's Egg Lemma

Let $\mathbf{\tilde{x}}$ be an i.i.d. sequence that is independent from the received sequence $\mathbf{y}.$

$$\mathbb{P}\Big\{(\tilde{\mathbf{x}},\mathbf{y}) \text{ is jointly typical}\Big\} \leq 2^{-n(I(X;Y)-3\epsilon)}$$

See Cover and Thomas.

• We can upper bound the probability of error via the union bound:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{\hat{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}\} &\leq \sum_{\mathbf{\tilde{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}} \mathbb{P}\left\{(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{\tilde{w}}), \mathbf{y}) \text{ is jointly typical.}\right\} \\ &\leq 2^{-n(I(X;Y)-R-3\epsilon)} \quad \leftarrow \mathsf{Cuckoo's Egg Lemma} \end{split}$$

• If R < I(X;Y), then the probability of error can be driven to zero as the blocklength increases.

Theorem (Shannon '48)

The capacity of a point-to-point channel is $C = \max_{p_X} I(X;Y)$.

• Linear Codebook: A linear map between messages and codewords (instead of a lookup table).

q-ary Linear Codes

- Represent message \mathbf{w} as a length-k vector over \mathbb{F}_q .
- Codewords \mathbf{x} are length-n vectors over \mathbb{F}_q .
- Encoding process is just a matrix multiplication, $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1k} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} & \cdots & g_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_k \end{bmatrix}$$

• Recall that, for prime q, operations over \mathbb{F}_q are just $\mod q$ operations over the reals.

• Rate
$$R = \frac{k}{n} \log q$$

- Linear code looks like a regular subsampling of the elements of Fⁿ_q.
- Random linear code: Generate each element g_{ij} of the generator matrix G elementwise i.i.d. according to a uniform distribution over {0, 1, 2, ..., q - 1}.
- How are the codewords distributed?



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It is convenient to instead analyze the shifted ensemble $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w} \oplus \mathbf{v}$ where \mathbf{v} is an i.i.d. uniform sequence. (See Gallager.)

Shifted Codeword Properties

1. Marginally uniform over \mathbb{F}_q^n . For a given message \mathbf{w} , the codeword $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ looks like an i.i.d. uniform sequence.

$$\mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathsf{x}\} = \frac{1}{q^n} \quad \text{for all } \mathsf{x} \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$$

2. Pairwise independent. For $w_1 \neq w_2$, codewords \bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2 are independent.

$$\mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 = \mathsf{x}_1, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_2 = \mathsf{x}_2\} = \frac{1}{q^{2n}} = \mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 = \mathsf{x}_1\}\mathbb{P}\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2 = \mathsf{x}_2\}$$

• Cuckoo's Egg Lemma only requires independence between the true codeword $\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{w})$ and the other codeword $\mathbf{x}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}})$. From the union bound:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}\} &\leq \sum_{\tilde{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}} \mathbb{P}\Big\{(\mathbf{x}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}), \mathbf{y}) \text{ is jointly typical.} \Big\} \\ &\leq 2^{-n(I(X;Y)-R-3\epsilon)} \end{split}$$

- This is exactly what we get from pairwise independence.
- Thus, there exists a good fixed generator matrix G and shift v for any rate R < I(X;Y) where X is uniform.



• For a binary symmetric channel (BSC), the output can be written as the modulo sum of the input plus i.i.d. Bernoulli(p) noise,

$$\begin{aligned} &\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \bar{\mathbf{x}} \oplus \mathbf{z} \\ &\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{w} \oplus \mathbf{v} \oplus \mathbf{z} \end{aligned}$$

• Due to this symmetry, the probability of error depends *only* on the realization of the noise vector **z**.

 \implies For a BSC, $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$ is a good code as well.

• We can now assume the existence of good generator matrices for channel coding.

- What have we gotten for linearity (so far)? Simplified encoding. (Decoder is still quite complex.)
- What have we lost?

Can only achieve R = I(X;Y) for uniform X instead of $\max_{p_X} I(X;Y)$.

- In fact, this is a fundamental limitation of group codes, **Ahlswede '71**.
- Workarounds: symbol remapping Gallager '68, nested linear codes
- Are random linear codes strictly worse than random i.i.d. codes?

Slepian-Wolf Problem



• Joint i.i.d. sources
$$p(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2) = \prod_{i=1}^m p_{S_1S_2}(s_{1i}, s_{2i})$$

• Rate Region: Set of rates (R_1, R_2) such that the encoders can send s_1 and s_2 to the decoder with vanishing probability of error

$$\mathbb{P}\{(\mathbf{\hat{s}}_1, \mathbf{\hat{s}}_2) \neq (\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)\} o 0 \text{ as } m o \infty$$

- Codebook 1: Independently and uniformly assign each source sequence s₁ to a label {1,2,..., 2^{mR1}}
- Codebook 2: Independently and uniformly assign each source sequence s₂ to a label {1, 2, ..., 2^{mR₂}}
- Decoder: Look for jointly typical pair $({\bf \hat{s}}_1, {\bf \hat{s}}_2)$ within the received bin. Union bound:

$$\begin{split} & \mathbb{P}\Big\{\text{jointly typical } (\hat{\mathbf{s}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{s}}_2) \neq (\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2) \text{ in bin } (\ell_1, \ell_2) \Big\} \\ & \leq \sum_{\text{jointly typical } (\tilde{\mathbf{s}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_2)} 2^{-m(R_1 + R_2)} \\ & \leq 2^{m(H(S_1, S_2) + \epsilon)} 2^{-m(R_1 + R_2)} \end{split}$$

- Need $R_1 + R_2 > H(S_1, S_2)$.
- Similarly, $R_1 > H(S_1|S_2)$ and $R_2 > H(S_2|S_1)$

Slepian-Wolf Problem: Binning Illustration



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- Assume source symbols take values in \mathbb{F}_q .
- Codebook 1: Generate matrix G₁ with i.i.d. uniform entries drawn from 𝔽_q. Each sequence s₁ is binned via matrix multiplication, w₁ = G₁s₁.
- Codebook 2: Generate matrix G₂ with i.i.d. uniform entries drawn from 𝔽_q. Each sequence s₂ is binned via matrix multiplication, w₂ = G₂s₂.
- Bin assignments are uniform and pairwise independent (except for $\mathbf{s}_\ell=\mathbf{0})$
- Can apply the same union bound analysis as random binning.

Slepian-Wolf Rate Region

Slepian-Wolf Theorem

Reliable compression possible if and only if:

 $R_1 \ge H(S_1|S_2) = h_B(p)$ $R_2 \ge H(S_2|S_1) = h_B(p)$ $R_1 + R_2 \ge H(S_1, S_2) = 1 + h_B(p)$



Random linear binning is as good as random i.i.d. binning!

Example: Doubly Symmetric Binary Source $S_1 \sim \text{Bern}(1/2)$ $U \sim \text{Bern}(p)$ $S_2 = S_1 \oplus U$

Körner-Marton Problem

- Binary sources
- s_1 is i.i.d. Bernoulli(1/2)
- s₂ is s₁ corrupted by Bernoulli(p) noise
- Decoder wants the modulo-2 sum .



Rate Region: Set of rates (R_1, R_2) such that there exist encoders and decoders with vanishing probability of error

$$\mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{\hat{u}}\neq\mathbf{u}\}\rightarrow0 \text{ as } m\rightarrow\infty$$

Are any rate savings possible over sending s_1 and s_2 in their entirety?

- Sending s_1 and s_2 with random binning requires $R_1 + R_2 > 1 + h_B(p)$?
- What happens if we use rates such that $R_1 + R_2 < 1 + h_B(p)$?
- There will be exponentially many pairs $(\mathbf{s}_1, \mathbf{s}_2)$ in each bin!
- This would be fine if all pairs in a bin have the same sum, $s_1 + s_2$. But this probability goes to zero exponentially fast!

Körner-Marton Problem: Random Binning Illustration



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 $\bullet\,$ Use the same random matrix ${\bf G}$ for linear binning at each encoder:

$$\mathbf{w}_1 = \mathbf{Gs}_1 \qquad \mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{Gs}_2$$

• Idea from Körner-Marton '79: Decoder adds up the bins.

$$\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2 = \mathbf{Gs}_1 \oplus \mathbf{Gs}_2$$

= $\mathbf{G}(\mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2)$
= \mathbf{Gu}

• G is good for compressing u if $R > H(U) = h_B(p)$.

Körner-Marton Theorem

Reliable compression of the sum is possible if and only if:

$$R_1 \ge h_B(p) \qquad R_2 \ge h_B(p) \ .$$

Körner-Marton Problem: Linear Binning Illustration



Körner-Marton Problem: Linear Illustration





Linear codes can improve performance!

(for distributed computation of dependent sources)

Multiple-Access Channels

$$\mathbf{w}_{1} \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathcal{E}_{1}}_{p_{Y|X_{1}X_{2}}} \mathbf{y} \qquad \underbrace{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathbf{w}_{2}} \overset{\mathbf{w}_{1}}{\mathbf{w}_{2}}$$
$$\mathbf{w}_{2} \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathcal{E}_{2}}_{\mathbf{x}_{2}} \overset{\mathbf{y}}{\longrightarrow} \underbrace{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathbf{w}_{2}} \overset{\mathbf{w}_{1}}{\mathbf{w}_{2}}$$

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$$\mathbb{P}\{(\mathbf{\hat{w}}_1,\mathbf{\hat{w}}_2)
eq (\mathbf{w}_1,\mathbf{w}_2)\}
ightarrow 0$$
 as $m
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Multiple-Access Channels

- Cuckoo's egg lemma applies to all three error events.
- For example, event that only $\mathbf{\hat{w}}_1$ is wrong:

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{w}}_1 \neq \mathbf{w}_1, \hat{\mathbf{w}}_2 = \mathbf{w}_2\} &\leq \sum_{\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_1 \neq \mathbf{w}_1} \mathbb{P}\Big\{(\mathbf{x}_1(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_1), \mathbf{x}_2(\mathbf{w}_2), \mathbf{y}) \text{ jointly typical}\Big\} \\ &\leq 2^{-n(I(X_1; Y \mid X_2) - R_1 - 3\epsilon)} \end{split}$$

Rate Region (Ahlswede, Liao)

Convex closure of all (R_1, R_2) satisfying

 $R_1 < I(X_1; Y | X_2)$ $R_2 < I(X_2; Y | X_1)$ $R_1 + R_2 < I(X_1, X_2; Y)$

for some $p(x_1)p(x_2)$.

- Linear codes can achieve any rate available for uniform $p(x_1), p(x_2)$.
- For finite field MACs, can achieve the whole capacity region.



• Receiver observes noisy modulo sum of codewords $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{x}_1\oplus\mathbf{x}_2\oplus\mathbf{z}$

Finite Field MAC Rate Region

All rates (R_1, R_2) satisfying

$$R_1 + R_2 \le \log q - H(Z)$$



Computation over Finite Field Multiple-Access Channels

- Independent msgs $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2 \in \mathbb{F}_q^k.$
- Want the sum $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$ with vanishing prob. of error $\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \rightarrow 0$



I.I.D. Random Coding

- Generate 2^{nR_1} i.i.d. uniform codewords for user 1.
- Generate 2^{nR_2} i.i.d. uniform codewords for user 2.
- With high probability, (nearly) all sums of codewords are distinct.
- This is ideal for multiple-access but not for computation.
- Need $R_1 + R_2 \leq \log q H(Z)$

Random i.i.d. codes are not good for computation



 2^{nR_2} codewords

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Random Linear Coding

- Same linear code at both transmitters $\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_1$, $\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_2$.
- Sums of codewords are themselves codewords:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}$$

$$= \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}$$

$$= \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2) \oplus \mathbf{z}$$

$$= \mathbf{G}\mathbf{u} \oplus \mathbf{z}$$

• Need $\max(R_1, R_2) \le \log q - H(Z)$

Random linear codes are good for computation



Computation over Finite Field Multiple-Access Channels



- I.I.D. Random Coding: $R_1 + R_2 \le \log q H(Z)$
- Random Linear Coding: $\max(R_1, R_2) \le \log q H(Z)$
- Linear codes double the sum rate without any dependency.
- Is this useful for sending messages (no computation)?



- Elegant example proposed by Wu-Chou-Kung '04.
- Closely related to butterfly network from Ahlswede-Cai-Li-Yeung '00.

Two-Way Relay Channel – Time-Division



Two-Way Relay Channel – Network Coding



Two-Way Relay Channel – Physical-Layer Network Coding



Two-Way Relay Channel – Physical-Layer Network Coding



- Physical-layer network coding: exploiting the wireless medium for network coding. Independently and concurrently proposed by Zhang-Liew-Lam '06, Popovski-Yomo '06, Nazer-Gastpar '06.
- Sometimes referred to as Analog Network Coding Katti-Gollakota-Katabi '08.
- Some recent surveys Liew-Zhang-Lu '11, Nazer-Gastpar '11.

q-ary Two-Way Relay Channel







- Upper Bound: $\max (R_1, R_2) \le \log q - H(Z)$
- Random i.i.d.: Relay decodes $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2$ and transmits $\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$. $R_1 + R_2 \leq \log q - H(Z)$
- Random linear: Relay decodes and retransmits w₁ ⊕ w₂ max (R₁, R₂) ≤ log q − H(Z)



- I.I.D. Random Coding: $R_1 + R_2 \le \log q H(Z)$
- Random Linear Coding: $\max(R_1, R_2) \le \log q H(Z)$
- Linear codes can double the sum rate for exchanging messages.

- *Observation:* For linear codes, the codeword statistics are uniform. This follows straightforwardly from the fact that the sum of any two codewords is again a codeword.
- *Question:* Can we retain some algebraic structure *and* have non-uniform codeword statistics?
- Idea: Nested Linear Codes (see, for instance, Conway and Sloane '92, Forney '89, Zamir-Shamai-Erez '02 ...):

• Consider a linear code \mathcal{C}_c of rate 1-k/n :

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1,n-k} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2,n-k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ g_{n1} & g_{n2} & \cdots & g_{n,n-k} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_{n-k} \end{bmatrix}$$

with parity check matrix \mathbf{H}_{c} .

• For every binary sequence \mathbf{u} of length k, define its coset as

$$\mathcal{C}_c(\mathbf{u}) = \{\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{H}_c \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u}\}$$

• The coset leader is the one sequence in $C_c(\mathbf{u})$ that has the smallest Hamming weight.

- For any sequence x we write x mod C_c to denote the coset leader corresponding to $H_c x$.
- **Observation:** This satisfies all the usual properties of the modulo operation, such as

 $(\mathbf{x} \oplus \mathbf{y}) \mod \mathcal{C}_c = (\mathbf{x} \mod \mathcal{C}_c \oplus \mathbf{y} \mod \mathcal{C}_c) \mod \mathcal{C}_c$

Theorem

There exists a binary linear code of rate 1 - k/n such that all 2^k coset leaders satisfy $w_{Hamming} \leq m$, where

 $k/n \ge H_b(m/n) - \epsilon$

Note: Such a code is thus a good *covering* code.

Next step: *Decimate* coset leaders: retain only those belonging to a ("fine") code.

That way, we end up with a code of 2^{k-k^\prime} codewords satisfying two properties:

- 1 Noise protection just like the fine code
- The sum of any two codewords, modulo "the coarse code," is again a codeword

On the BSC with crossover probability $\boldsymbol{p},$ this code achieves a rate

$$R = H_b(m/n) - H_b(p).$$

Note that this is *not* the capacity of this channel.

Distributed Dirty Paper Coding (Binary case)

Philosof-Zamir '09, Philosof-Zamir-Erez '09:



Without *input constraints*, the problem is trivial.

But now, consider

$$w_H(\mathbf{x}_1) \leq m$$
 and $w_H(\mathbf{x}_2) \leq m$.

Distributed Dirty Paper Coding

• Choose codewords \mathbf{t}_1 and \mathbf{t}_2 . Transmit

 $\mathbf{x}_1 = (\mathbf{t}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1) mod \mathcal{C}_c$ and $\mathbf{x}_2 = (\mathbf{t}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2) mod \mathcal{C}_c$

• Choose coarse code to satisfy Hamming input constraints. Receive:

 $\mathbf{y} = [(\mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1) \text{ mod } \mathcal{C}_c] \oplus [(\mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2) \text{ mod } \mathcal{C}_c] \oplus \mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}$

• The key step is the following pre-processing step at the decoder:

$$\mathbf{y} \bmod \mathcal{C}_c = (\mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2 \oplus \mathbf{s}_1 \oplus \mathbf{s}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}) \mod \mathcal{C}_c$$
$$= (\mathbf{x}_1 \oplus \mathbf{x}_2 \oplus \mathbf{z}) \mod \mathcal{C}_c$$

- Last step: show that the noise is essentially unchanged by the modulo operation.
- Can show that this achieves the capacity (see Philosof-Zamir-Erez '09.)

Beyond Linear

Independent msgs $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2$.

Want the sum $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$ with vanishing prob. of error $\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \to 0$



Achievable Strategy (Nazer-Gastpar '08)

Use the same linear code, $\max(R_1, R_2) \leq I(X_1 \oplus X_2; Y)$ (for binary, uniform inputs)

- General Functions: $U_i = f(W_{1i}, W_{2i})$
- Some achievable strategies, very hard in general (functional compression is a special case)
- For network communication, don't really care what functions in the middle, only care about msgs

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Nested lattice results in this section are almost entirely drawn from:

- U. Erez and R. Zamir, Achieving $\frac{1}{2}\log(1 + \text{SNR})$ on the AWGN channel with lattice encoding and decoding, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, vol. 50, pp. 2293-2314, October 2004.
- U. Erez, S. Litsyn, and R. Zamir, *Lattices which are good for (al-most) everything*, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, vol. 51, pp. 3401-3416, October 2005.
- R. Zamir, *Lattices are everywhere*, in Proceedings of the 4th Annual Workshop on Information Theory and its Applications, La Jolla, CA, February 2009.

- Signal X is a scalar Gaussian r.v. with mean 0 and variance P.
- Noise Z is an independent scalar Gaussian r.v. with mean 0 and variance N.
- Estimate X from noisy observation Y = X + Z.
- Mean-squared error: $\mathbb{E}[(Y X)^2] = \mathbb{E}[Z^2] = N.$
- Minimum mean-squared error (MMSE):

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[(\alpha Y - X)^2] &= \mathbb{E}[(\alpha X + \alpha Z - X)^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\alpha^2 Z^2 + (1 - \alpha)^2 X^2] \qquad \text{Part of error due to } X \\ &= \alpha^2 N + (1 - \alpha)^2 P \end{split}$$

• Optimal $\alpha = \frac{P}{N+P}$ yields $\mathbb{E}[(\alpha Y - X)^2] = \frac{PN}{N+P}$.

• Codewords must satisfy power constraint:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \le nP$$

• i.i.d. Gaussian noise with variance N:

 $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, N\mathbf{I})$.

• Shannon '48: Channel capacity:

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$





Figure 10.2. Sphere packing for the Gaussian channel.



• In high dimensions, noise starts to look spherical.

Lattices

- A lattice Λ is a discrete subgroup of \mathbb{R}^n .
- Can write a lattice as a linear transformation of the integer vectors,

$$\Lambda = \mathbf{B}\mathbb{Z}^n$$

for some $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$.

Lattice Properties

- Closed under addition: $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \Lambda \implies \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \in \Lambda.$
- Symmetric: $\lambda \in \Lambda \implies -\lambda \in \Lambda$

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 \mathbb{Z}^n is a simple lattice.

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 $\mathbf{B}\mathbb{Z}^n$

• Nearest neighbor quantizer:

$$Q_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \|\mathbf{x} - \lambda\|_2$$

- The Voronoi region of a lattice point is the set of all points that quantize to that lattice point.
- Fundamental Voronoi region V: points that quantize to the origin,

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Nested Lattice Codes from q-ary Linear Codes

• Choose an $n \times k$ generator matrix $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{F}_q^{n \times k}$ for q-ary code.

- Integers serve as coarse lattice, $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}^n$.
- Map elements $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, q-1\}$ to equally spaced points between -1/2 and 1/2.
- Place codewords $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$ into the fundamental Voronoi region $\mathcal{V} = [-1/2, 1/2)^n$



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Using random i.i.d. code drawn over \mathcal{V} : C

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 Channel output entropy is equal to the logarithm of the Voronoi region volume if it is uniform over V:

$$h(\tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = \log(\mathsf{Vol}(\mathcal{V})) \quad \text{ if } \tilde{\mathbf{y}} \sim \mathsf{Unif}(\mathcal{V})$$

- $\mathbf{\tilde{y}} = [\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{z}] \mod \Lambda$ is uniform over \mathcal{V} if \mathbf{x} is uniform over \mathcal{V} .
- Random i.i.d. coding over the Voronoi region $\mathcal V$ can achieve:

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Normalized Second Moment: $G(\Lambda) = \frac{\sigma_{\Lambda}^2}{(\operatorname{Vol}(\mathcal{V}))^{2/n}}$ $\implies \frac{1}{n} \log(\operatorname{Vol}(\mathcal{V})) = \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{\sigma_{\Lambda}^2}{G(\Lambda)}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{P}{G(\Lambda)}\right)$



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$$= \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{P}{N}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi eG(\Lambda))$$



- The normalized second moment G(Λ) is a dimensionless quantity that captures the shaping gain.
- Integer lattice is not so bad, $G(\mathbb{Z}^n) = 1/12$.
- Capacity under $\mod \mathbb{Z}^n$ is at least

$$C \ge \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{P}{N}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{2\pi e}{12}\right)$$
$$\approx \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{P}{N}\right) - 0.255$$

Asymptotically Good $G(\Lambda)$

Theorem (Zamir-Feder-Poltyrev '94)

There exists a sequence of lattices $\Lambda^{(n)}$ such that $\lim_{n \to \infty} G(\Lambda^{(n)}) = \frac{1}{2\pi e}$.



- Best possible normalized second moment is that of a sphere.
- Using a sequence $\Lambda^{(n)}$ with an asymptotically good $G(\Lambda^{(N)})$ allows to approach

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{P}{N}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{2\pi e}{2\pi e}\right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \log\left(\frac{P}{N}\right)$$

- Can actually get this with a linear code tiled over Zⁿ (see, for instance, Erez-Litsyn-Zamir '05.)
- Many works looking at this from different perspectives.
- We will just assume existence.

Recall the two key properties of random linear codes ${\bf G}$ from earlier:

Codeword Properties

1. Marginally uniform over \mathbb{F}_q^n . For a given message $\mathbf{w} \neq \mathbf{0}$, the codeword $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}$ looks like an i.i.d. uniform sequence.

$$\mathbb{P}{\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{q^n}$$
 for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$

2. Pairwise independent. For $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2 \neq \mathbf{0}$, $\mathbf{w}_1 \neq \mathbf{w}_2$, codewords $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2$ are independent.

$$\mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{x_1} = \mathsf{x}_1, \mathbf{x_2} = \mathsf{x}_2\} = \frac{1}{q^{2n}} = \mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathsf{x}_1\}\mathbb{P}\{\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathsf{x}_2\}$$

- Instead of an "inner" random codes, we can use a *q*-ary linear code.
- This is exactly a nested lattice.
- Each codeword has a uniform marginal distribution over the grid.
- Rate loss due to finite constellation which goes to 0 as $q \rightarrow \infty$.
- Codewords are pairwise independent so we can apply the union bound.



$$\mathbf{x} = [\gamma \mathbf{G} \mathbf{w}] \mod \mathbb{Z}^n$$

- General coarse lattice $\Lambda = \mathbf{B}\mathbb{Z}^n$.
- First, apply generator matrix for linear code Gw. Then scale down by γ and tile over Zⁿ.
- Multiply by ${\bf B}$ and apply $\mod \Lambda$ to get codebook.
- As q gets large, each codeword's marginal distribution looks uniform over V.
- Codewords are pairwise independent so we can apply the union bound.



$$\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{B}\gamma \mathbf{G}\mathbf{w}] \mod \Lambda$$

• Erez-Zamir '04: Prior to taking $\mod \Lambda$, scale by α .

- For now, ignore that the effective noise is not independent of the codeword. Effective noise variance $N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \alpha^2 N + (1 \alpha)^2 P$.
- Optimal choice of α is the MMSE coefficient $\alpha_{MMSE} = \frac{P}{N+P}$.

$$N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \alpha_{\text{MMSE}}^2 N + (1 - \alpha_{\text{MMSE}})^2 P = \frac{PN}{N+P}$$
$$C = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N_{\text{EFFEC}}}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N}\right)$$

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Decoding - Remove Dither First

- Transmitter sends dithered codeword $\mathbf{x} = [\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{d}] \mod \Lambda$.
- After scaling the channel output y by α , the decoder subtracts the dither d.

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\mathbf{y}} &= [\alpha \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{d}] \mod \Lambda \\ &= [\alpha \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{d}] \mod \Lambda \\ &= [\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{d} + \alpha \mathbf{z} - (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{x}] \mod \Lambda \\ &= \left[[\mathbf{t} + \mathbf{d}] \mod \Lambda - \mathbf{d} + \alpha \mathbf{z} - (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{x} \right] \mod \Lambda \\ &= [\mathbf{t} + \alpha \mathbf{z} - (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{x}] \mod \Lambda \quad \text{Distributive Law} \end{split}$$

- Effective noise is now independent from the codeword \mathbf{t} .
- By the probabilistic method, (at least) one good fixed dither exists. No common randomness necessary.

Summary

• Linear code embedded in the integer lattice:

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• Linear code embedded in a good shaping lattice, MMSE scaling:

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Theorem (Erez-Zamir '04)

Nested lattice codes can achieve the AWGN capacity.

Gaussian Multiple-Access Channel

Rate Region

$$R_1 < \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_1}{N} \right)$$
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Power constraints P_1, P_2 . Noise variance N.

Successive Cancellation

$$R_{2} \land \left(\frac{1}{2}\log\left(1 + \frac{P_{1}}{N + P_{2}}\right), \frac{1}{2}\log\left(1 + \frac{P_{2}}{N}\right)\right)$$
Corner Point
1. Decode \mathbf{x}_{1} , treating \mathbf{x}_{2} as noise.
2. Subtract \mathbf{x}_{1} from \mathbf{y} .
3. Decode \mathbf{x}_{2} .

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- Decode to nearest codeword.

$$[\alpha \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{d}_1] \mod \Lambda$$

= $[\alpha(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{d}_1] \mod \Lambda$
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$$\alpha_{\mathsf{MMSE}} = \frac{P_1}{N + P_1 + P_2}$$

• Plugging in, we get

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$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P_1}{N_{\mathsf{EFFEC}}}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P_1}{N + P_2}\right)$$

• To obtain different rates for x_1 and x_2 , use nested linear codes G_1 and G_2 inside Voronoi region \mathcal{V} .





- Equal power constraints P.
- Equal noise variances N.
- Equal rates R.



• Upper Bound:

$$R \le \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$

- Decode-and-Forward: Relay decodes $\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2$ and transmits $\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$. $R = \frac{1}{4} \log \left(1 + \frac{2P}{N} \right)$
- Compress-and-Forward: Relay transmits quantized y.

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N} \frac{P}{3P + N} \right)$$



Decoding the Sum of Lattice Codewords

Encoders use the same nested lattice codebook.

Transmit lattice codewords:

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{t}_1$$
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Decoder recovers modulo sum.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{[y]} \mod \Lambda \\ &= [\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{z}] \mod \Lambda \\ &= [\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{t}_2 + \mathbf{z}] \mod \Lambda \\ &= \left[[\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{t}_2] \mod \Lambda + \mathbf{z} \right] \mod \Lambda \quad \text{Distributive Law} \\ &= [\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{z}] \mod \Lambda \\ &\qquad R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$N_{\mathsf{EFFEC}} = \frac{2NP}{N+2P}$$

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$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N_{\mathsf{EFFEC}}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$

• Getting the full "one plus" term is an open challenge. Does not seem possible with nested lattices.

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• Mapping between finite field messages and lattice codewords preserves linearity:

$$\phi^{-1}([\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{t}_2] \mod \Lambda) = \mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2$$

• This means that after decoding a $\mod \Lambda$ equation of lattice points we can immediately recover the finite field equation of the messages. See Nazer-Gastpar '11 for more details.

Finite Field Computation over a Gaussian MAC

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- If decoder can recover $[{\bf t}_1+{\bf t}_2] \ mod \ \Lambda,$ it also can get the sum of the messages

$$\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus \mathbf{w}_2 = \phi^{-1} \Big([\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{t}_2] \mod \Lambda \Big) \ .$$

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- Encoder 1 sends $\mathbf{x}_1 = [\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{d}_1] \mod \Lambda_1$. Coarse lattice Λ_1 has second moment P_1 .
- Encoder 2 sends $\mathbf{x}_2 = [\mathbf{t}_2 + \mathbf{d}_2] \mod \Lambda_2$. Coarse lattice Λ_2 has second moment $P_2 > P_1$.
- Decoder performs MMSE scaling, remove dithers, recovers $\mod \Lambda_2$ sum.

$$R_1 = \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{P_1}{P_1 + P_2} + \frac{P_1}{N}\right) \qquad \qquad R_2 = \frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{P_2}{P_1 + P_2} + \frac{P_2}{N}\right)$$

AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel



- User powers P_1, P_2 .
 - MAC noise variance N_{MAC}.
 - Relay power P_{BC} .
 - Broadcast noise variances N_1, N_2 .

Theorem (Nam-Chung-Lee '10)

Capacity region is within 1/2 bit of:

$$\begin{split} R_1 &\leq \min\left(\frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{P_1}{P_1 + P_2} + \frac{P_1}{N_{\text{MAC}}}\right), \ \frac{1}{2}\log\left(1 + \frac{P_{\text{BC}}}{N_2}\right)\right)\\ R_2 &\leq \min\left(\frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{P_2}{P_1 + P_2} + \frac{P_2}{N_{\text{MAC}}}\right), \ \frac{1}{2}\log\left(1 + \frac{P_{\text{BC}}}{N_1}\right)\right) \end{split}$$

Moreover, "constant gap" goes to zero as powers increase.

Multiple-Access Networks



- Compute-and-forward is well-suited for multicasting over multiple-access networks.
- Equal transmitter powers: Nazer-Gastpar '07. Unequal transmitter powers: Nam-Chung-Lee '09.

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Many-to-One Interference Channel – Symmetric Very Strong Case

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- Only receiver 1 sees interference:

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1 + \beta \sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_\ell + \mathbf{z}_1$$

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- How big does β have to be to achieve $R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{P}{N}\right)$? $\mathbf{w}_K \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_K \xrightarrow{\mathbf{x}_K} \mathcal{D}_K \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}}_K$ (i.e. "very strong" case)
 - Scheme A: Decode w₂,..., w_K at receiver 1 and remove prior to decoding w₁.

$$R \le \frac{1}{2(K-1)} \log\left(1 + \frac{\beta^2(K-1)P}{N+P}\right)$$

Scheme B: Decode w₂ ⊕ · · · ⊕ w_K at receiver 1 and remove prior to decoding w₁.

Many-to-One Interference Channel – Symmetric Very Strong Case

Encoders use the same nested lattice codebook.

Transmit dithered codewords:

$$\mathbf{x}_{\ell} = [\mathbf{t}_{\ell} + \mathbf{d}_{\ell}] \mod \Lambda$$



Decoder scales by β^{-1} , removes dithers, recovers modulo sum.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta^{-1}\mathbf{y}_1 - \sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{d}_\ell \end{bmatrix} \mod \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{\ell=2}^{K} (\mathbf{x}_\ell - \mathbf{d}_\ell) + \beta^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{z}_1) \end{bmatrix} \mod \Lambda$$

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- Effective noise variance $N_{\text{EFFEC}} = \beta^{-2}(P+N)$.
- Can decode mod Λ sum of lattice points at rate $R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\beta^2 P}{P+N} \right)$.
- Setting equal to "very strong" condition $R=\frac{1}{2}\log\left(1+\frac{P}{N}\right)$ we get

$$\beta^2 = \frac{(P+N)^2}{PN}$$

- How can we recover \mathbf{w}_1 ?
- We need to first subtract the real sum of the codewords. So far, we only have the modulo-sum.

Successive Cancellation of Sums

• First, add back in dithers to get modulo sum of codewords:

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• Coarse lattice point easier to decode than fine lattice point:

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• Finally, get back the real sum

$$\left[\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}\right] \mod \Lambda + Q_{\Lambda}\left(\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}\right) = \sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}$$

• We now have the sum of interfering codewords and can cancel them out:

$$\mathbf{y}_1 - \beta \sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_\ell = \mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{z}_1$$

- Can apply standard MMSE lattice decoding to recover lattice point \mathbf{t}_1 and then map back to $\mathbf{w}_1.$
- Overall, structured coding permits

$$\beta^2 \ge \frac{(P+N)^2}{PN}$$

• Compare to decoding interfering codewords in their entirety:

$$\beta^{2} \geq \frac{\left((1+\frac{P}{N})^{K-1} - 1\right)(N+P)}{(K-1)P}$$

• Originally shown in Sridharan-Jafarian-Vishwanath-Jafar '08 using spherical shaping region. Nested lattice scheme from Nazer '11.

Many-to-One Interference Channel – Approximate Capacity



• Deterministic model by **Avestimehr-Diggavi-Tse** '11 shows how to decompose by signal scale.

Theorem (Bresler-Parekh-Tse '10)

Lattices codes combined with the deterministic model can approach the capacity region to within $(3K+3)(1 + \log(K+1))$ bits per user.

Interference Channel – Symmetric Very Strong Case



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What about asymmetric interference channels?



- Not clear how to map to a deterministic model using lattices.
- "Real" interference alignment scheme of Motahari et al. '08 uses a lattice structure to get K/2 DoF (up to a set of measure one)
- Some special cases at finite SNR: Jafarian-Viswanath '09,'10, Ordentlich-Erez '11
- Much more known for time-varying channels: Cadambe-Jafar '08, Nazer et al. '11, much more

- So far we have seen that lattices are very effective for scenarios where there is a single interference bottleneck.
- Also effective for multiple bottlenecks but less is known.
- We have so far assumed that the fading coefficients are known at the transmitters.
- In general, transmitters may not have access to channel state information.

Computation over Fading Channels

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• Decoder removes dithers and recovers integer combination

$$\mathbf{v} = \Big[\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_\ell \mathbf{t}_\ell\Big] \mod \Lambda$$

 Receiver can use its knowledge of the channel gains to match the equation coefficients a_l to the channel coefficients h_l. • Distributive Law also holds for integer combinations. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a[\mathbf{x}_1] \mod \Lambda + b[\mathbf{x}_2] \mod \Lambda \end{bmatrix} \mod \Lambda$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a(\mathbf{x}_1 - Q_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_1)) + b(\mathbf{x}_2 - Q_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_2)) \end{bmatrix} \mod \Lambda$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} a\mathbf{x}_1 + b\mathbf{x}_2 - aQ_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_1) - bQ_\Lambda(\mathbf{x}_2) \end{bmatrix} \mod \Lambda$$
$$= [a\mathbf{x}_1 + b\mathbf{x}_2] \mod \Lambda$$

• Last step follows since since $aQ_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}_1)$ and $bQ_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}_2)$ are elements of the lattice Λ .

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Can do better with MMSE scaling.

$$\begin{split} N_{\mathsf{EFFEC}} &= \alpha^2 N + P \| \alpha \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{a} \|^2 \\ R &= \max_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{\alpha^2 N + P \| \alpha \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{a} \|^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{N + P \| \mathbf{h} \|^2}{N \| \mathbf{a} \|^2 + P(\| \mathbf{h} \|^2 \| \mathbf{a} \|^2 - (\mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{a})^2)} \right) \end{split}$$

• See Nazer-Gastpar '11 for more details.

• The rate expression simplifies in some special cases.

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{N + P \|\mathbf{h}\|^2}{N \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 + P(\|\mathbf{h}\|^2 \|\mathbf{a}\|^2 - (\mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{a})^2)} \right)$$

• Integer channels: h = a.

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} + \frac{P}{N} \right)$$

• Recovering a single message: Set $\mathbf{a} = \delta_m$, the m^{th} unit vector.

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1 + \frac{h_m^2 P}{N + P \sum_{\ell \neq m} h_\ell^2} \right)$$

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• Digital interface that fits well with network coding.

All users pick the same nested lattice code:





Choose messages over field $\mathbf{w}_{\ell} \in \mathbb{F}_q^k$:





Map \mathbf{w}_{ℓ} to lattice point $\mathbf{t}_{\ell} = \phi(\mathbf{w}_{\ell})$:





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Lattice codewords are scaled by channel coefficients:



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Extra noise penalty for non-integer channel coefficients:



Scale output by α to reduce non-integer noise penalty:



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Decode to closest lattice point:



Compute sum of lattice points modulo the coarse lattice:



Map back to equation of message symbols over the field:



Computation over Fading Channels – Multiple Receivers



- Equal rates R. No channel state information (CSI) at transmitters.
- Receivers use their CSI to select coefficients, decode linear equation

$$\mathbf{u}_k = \bigoplus_{\ell=1}^K a_{k\ell} \mathbf{w}_\ell$$

• Reliable decoding possible if

$$R < \min_{k:a_{k} \neq 0} \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{N + P \|\mathbf{h}_{k}\|^{2}}{N \|\mathbf{a}_{k}\|^{2} + P(\|\mathbf{h}_{k}\|^{2} \|\mathbf{a}_{k}\|^{2} - (\mathbf{h}_{k}^{T} \mathbf{a}_{k})^{2})} \right)$$

Case Study – Hadamard Relay Network



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Compress-and-Forward

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Compute-and-Forward

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Relay either decodes some linear function of messages or an individual message.

- Three transmitters that do not know the fading coefficients.
- Average rate plotted for i.i.d. Gaussian fading.



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6 5 Message rate R 4 3 2 - Upper Bound 1 Compute Decode Both 0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.6 0 0.4 0.5 0.7 0.8 0.9 Channel coefficient h

 $40 \mathrm{dB}$
Computation over Fading Channels – No CSIT

- Receiver observes $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}_1 + h\mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{z}$.
- Recovers $a\mathbf{w}_1 \oplus b\mathbf{w}_2$ for $a, b \neq 0$.

 $50 \mathrm{dB}$



Rate-Constrained Cellular Backhaul



• Well-studied cellular model: Wyner '94, Shamai-Wyner '97, Sanderovich et al. '09



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• Choose equation coefficients to maximize rate:

$$R_{\mathsf{COMP}} = \max_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^K} \max_{\alpha} \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{\alpha^2 N + P \| \alpha \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{a} \|^2} \right)$$

- Equivalently $\min_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^K} \min_{\alpha} \alpha^2 N + P \| \alpha \mathbf{h} \mathbf{a} \|^2.$
- Closely connected to Diophantine approximation, i.e. approximating irrationals with rationals.
- Niesen-Whiting '11 shows that $\text{DoF} = \lim_{P \to \infty} \frac{R_{\text{COMP}}}{\frac{1}{2}\log(1+P)} \leq 2$
- Also shows that by combining compute-and-forward with interference alignment can get DoF to K.

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Philosof-Zamir-Erez-Khisti '11:

- Encoder 1 knows interference s₁.
- Encoder 2 knows interference s₂.
- Need to cancel out interference in a distributed fashion.
- Assume i.i.d. Gaussian interference with very large variance P_S . Random i.i.d. methods yield rate that goes to 0 as P_S goes to infinity.

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Subtract (part of) the interference signals ahead of time:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_1 &= [\mathbf{t}_1 - \alpha \mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{d}_1] \mod \Lambda \\ \mathbf{x}_2 &= [\mathbf{t}_2 - \alpha \mathbf{s}_2 + \mathbf{d}_2] \mod \Lambda \end{aligned}$$

Decoder removes dithers:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{d}_2 \end{bmatrix} \mod \Lambda \\ &= [\alpha(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 + \mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{s}_2 + \mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{d}_2] \mod \Lambda \\ &= [\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2 + \alpha(\mathbf{s}_1 + \mathbf{s}_2) - (1 - \alpha)(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2) + \alpha \mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{d}_1 - \mathbf{d}_2] \mod \Lambda \\ &= \left[\mathbf{t}_1 + \mathbf{t}_2 + (1 - \alpha)(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2) + \alpha \mathbf{z}\right] \mod \Lambda \end{aligned}$$

Select $\alpha = 2P/(2P + N)$ to obtain

$$R_1 + R_2 \le \left[\frac{1}{2}\log\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{P}{N}\right)\right]^+$$

- He-Yener '09: Lattice codes are useful for physical-layer secrecy.
- Random i.i.d. codes achieve 0 secure-degrees-of-freedom.
- Basic result: Random lattice codes achieve positive secure-degrees-of-freedom.

Two-Way Relay Channel



Has W_1

Wants w_2



Relay



Has \mathbf{w}_2 Wants \mathbf{w}_1





What can we prove with lattice codes for the AWGN relay channel?

- The full decode-and-forward rate can be achieved. See Song-Devroye '10, Nockleby-Aazhang '11.
- The full compress-and-forward rate can be achieved. See **Song-Devroye** '11.

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- Only need to send:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{t}_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_{\Lambda_{\mathsf{FINE}}}(\mathbf{s}_1) \end{bmatrix} \ \mathrm{mod} \ \Lambda \\ \mathbf{t}_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} Q_{\Lambda_{\mathsf{FINE}}}(\mathbf{s}_2) \end{bmatrix} \ \mathrm{mod} \ \Lambda \end{split}$$





Three-User Gaussian Distributed Source Coding

• Correlated Gaussian sources.

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{s}_1\\ \mathbf{s}_2 \end{array}\right) \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0}, \left[\begin{array}{cc} 1 & \rho\\ \rho & 1 \end{array}\right]\right)$$

• Third source is the difference:

 $\mathbf{s}_3 = \mathbf{s}_1 - \mathbf{s}_3$

 $\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{s}_{1} \rightarrow \overbrace{\mathcal{E}_{1}}^{R_{1}} & \xrightarrow{R_{1}} \\ \mathbf{s}_{2} \rightarrow \overbrace{\mathcal{E}_{2}}^{R_{2}} & \xrightarrow{R_{2}} \\ \mathbf{s}_{3} \rightarrow \overbrace{\mathcal{E}_{3}}^{R_{3}} & \xrightarrow{R_{3}} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{\hat{s}}_{1} \\ \mathbf{\hat{s}}_{2} \\ \mathbf{\hat{s}}_{3} \\ \mathbf{\hat{s}}_{3} \end{array}$

 $D_1 = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \| \hat{\mathbf{s}}_1 - \mathbf{s}_1 \|^2$

 $D_2 = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \| \hat{\mathbf{s}}_2 - \mathbf{s}_2 \|^2$

 $D_3 = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{\hat{s}}_3 - \mathbf{s}_3\|^2$

- Structured codes make new rate points accessible in distributed Gaussian source coding.
- Example: Set $R_1 = 0$ and $R_2 = 0$.
- See Tavildar-Wagner-Viswanath '10, Krithivasan-Pradhan '09, Maddah-Ali-Tse '10.

- Feng-Silva-Kschischang '10 develop practical nested lattice codes that work quite well for blocklengths as small as 100.
- Hern and Narayanan '10 develop multi-level codes to use fields of size 2^k.
- Ordentlich and Erez '10 propose mapping by set partitioning to go from binary codewords to higher order constellations.
- Further emerging work includes Osmane and Belfiore '11

- Codes with algebraic structure lead to the highest known achievable rates for some communication scenarios of great interest.
- This applies to *source coding, channel coding,* and also *joint source-channel coding.*
- We have discussed a set of tools to apply and analyze *random linear* and *random lattice* codes to communication network scenarios.
- However, there is currently no general unified theory of how to generally use algebraic structure in the context of network information theory.

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