# Algebraic Structure in Network Information Theory 

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## Disclaimer

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);


## What This Tutorial Is Not About

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


## What This Tutorial Is About

- 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


## The Usual Suspects:

- Message $\mathbf{w} \in\{0,1\}^{k}$
- Encoder $\mathcal{E}:\{0,1\}^{k} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}^{n}$
- Input $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}^{n}$
- Estimate $\hat{\mathbf{w}} \in\{0,1\}^{k}$
- Decoder $\mathcal{D}: \mathcal{Y}^{n} \rightarrow\{0,1\}^{k}$
- Output $\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{Y}^{n}$
- Memoryless Channel $p(\mathbf{y} \mid \mathbf{x})=\prod_{i=1}^{n} p\left(y_{i} \mid x_{i}\right)$
- Rate $R=\frac{k}{n}$.
- (Average) Probability of Error: $\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{w}} \neq \mathbf{w}\} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Assume $\mathbf{w}$ is uniform over $\{0,1\}^{k}$.
- Generate $2^{n R}$ codewords $\mathbf{x}=\left[\begin{array}{llll}X_{1} & X_{2} & \cdots & X_{n}\end{array}\right]$ independently and elementwise i.i.d. according to some distribution $p_{X}$

$$
p(\mathbf{x})=\prod_{i=1}^{n} p_{X}\left(x_{i}\right)
$$

- 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.
(Weak) Joint Typicality
- Two sequences $\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathbf{y}$ are (weakly) jointly typical if

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\left|-\frac{1}{n} \log p(\mathbf{x})-H(X)\right|<\epsilon \\
\left|-\frac{1}{n} \log p(\mathbf{y})-H(Y)\right|<\epsilon \\
\left|-\frac{1}{n} \log p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})-H(X, Y)\right|<\epsilon
\end{array}
$$

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


## Joint Typicality Decoding

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

## Error Events

1. Transmitted codeword $\mathbf{x}$ is not jointly typical with $\mathbf{y}$.
$\Longrightarrow$ Low probability by the Weak Law of Large Numbers.

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

## Cuckoo's Egg Lemma

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

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

## Point-to-Point Capacity

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

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

- 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 Codes

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


## $\underline{q \text {-ary Linear Codes }}$

- Represent message 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, $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{G w}$.

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}
x_{1} \\
x_{2} \\
\vdots \\
x_{n}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1 k} \\
g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2 k} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
g_{n 1} & g_{n 2} & \cdots & g_{n k}
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
w_{1} \\
w_{2} \\
\vdots \\
w_{k}
\end{array}\right]
$$

- Recall that, for prime $q$, operations over $\mathbb{F}_{q}$ are just $\bmod q$ operations over the reals.
- Rate $R=\frac{k}{n} \log q$
- Linear code looks like a regular subsampling of the elements of $\mathbb{F}_{q}^{n}$.
- Random linear code: Generate each element $g_{i j}$ of the generator matrix $\mathbf{G}$ elementwise i.i.d. according to a uniform distribution over $\{0,1,2, \ldots, q-1\}$.
- How are the codewords distributed?

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## Codeword Distribution

It is convenient to instead analyze the shifted ensemble $\overline{\mathbf{x}}=\mathbf{G w} \oplus \mathbf{v}$ 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 $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ looks like an i.i.d. uniform sequence.

$$
\mathbb{P}\{\overline{\mathbf{x}}=\mathrm{x}\}=\frac{1}{q^{n}} \quad \text { for all } \mathrm{x} \in \mathbb{F}_{q}^{n}
$$

2. Pairwise independent. For $\mathbf{w}_{1} \neq \mathbf{w}_{2}$, codewords $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_{1}, \overline{\mathbf{x}}_{2}$ are independent.

$$
\mathbb{P}\left\{\overline{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{1}}=\mathrm{x}_{1}, \overline{\mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{2}}=\mathrm{x}_{2}\right\}=\frac{1}{q^{2 n}}=\mathbb{P}\left\{\overline{\mathbf{x}}_{1}=\mathrm{x}_{1}\right\} \mathbb{P}\left\{\overline{\mathbf{x}}_{2}=\mathrm{x}_{2}\right\}
$$

## Achievable Rates

- 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:

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

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


## Removing the Shift



- For a binary symmetric channel (BSC), the output can be written as the modulo sum of the input plus i.i.d. $\operatorname{Bernoulli}(p)$ noise,

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

- Due to this symmetry, the probability of error depends only on the realization of the noise vector $\mathbf{z}$.
$\Longrightarrow$ For a BSC, $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{G w}$ is a good code as well.
- We can now assume the existence of good generator matrices for channel coding.


## Random I.I.D. vs. Random Linear

- 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 $\max I(X ; Y)$.
$p_{X}$

- 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 $p\left(\mathbf{s}_{1}, \mathbf{s}_{2}\right)=\prod_{i=1}^{m} p_{S_{1} S_{2}}\left(s_{1 i}, s_{2 i}\right)$
- Rate Region: Set of rates $\left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right)$ such that the encoders can send $\mathbf{s}_{1}$ and $\mathbf{s}_{2}$ to the decoder with vanishing probability of error

$$
\mathbb{P}\left\{\left(\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{1}, \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{2}\right) \neq\left(\mathbf{s}_{1}, \mathbf{s}_{2}\right)\right\} \rightarrow 0 \text { as } m \rightarrow \infty
$$

## Random Binning

- Codebook 1: Independently and uniformly assign each source sequence $\mathbf{s}_{1}$ to a label $\left\{1,2, \ldots, 2^{m R_{1}}\right\}$
- Codebook 2: Independently and uniformly assign each source sequence $\mathbf{s}_{2}$ to a label $\left\{1,2, \ldots, 2^{m R_{2}}\right\}$
- Decoder: Look for jointly typical pair ( $\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{1}, \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{2}$ ) within the received bin. Union bound:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{P}\left\{\text { jointly typical }\left(\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{1}, \hat{\mathbf{s}}_{2}\right) \neq\left(\mathbf{s}_{1}, \mathbf{s}_{2}\right) \text { in bin }\left(\ell_{1}, \ell_{2}\right)\right\} \\
& \left.\leq \sum_{\text {jointly typical }} 2^{-m\left(R_{1}+R_{2}\right)}, \tilde{\mathbf{s}}_{2}\right) \\
& \leq 2^{m\left(H\left(S_{1}, S_{2}\right)+\epsilon\right)} 2^{-m\left(R_{1}+R_{2}\right)}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Need $R_{1}+R_{2}>H\left(S_{1}, S_{2}\right)$.
- Similarly, $R_{1}>H\left(S_{1} \mid S_{2}\right)$ and $R_{2}>H\left(S_{2} \mid S_{1}\right)$

Slepian-Wolf Problem: Binning Illustration


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## Random Linear Binning

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


## Slepian-Wolf Rate Region

## Slepian-Wolf Theorem

Reliable compression possible if and only if:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R_{1} \geq H\left(S_{1} \mid S_{2}\right)=h_{B}(p) \\
& R_{2} \geq H\left(S_{2} \mid S_{1}\right)=h_{B}(p) \\
& R_{1}+R_{2} \geq H\left(S_{1}, S_{2}\right)=1+h_{B}(p)
\end{aligned}
$$

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


Example: Doubly Symmetric Binary Source $S_{1} \sim \operatorname{Bern}(1 / 2) \quad U \sim \operatorname{Bern}(p) \quad S_{2}=S_{1} \oplus U$

## Körner-Marton Problem

- Binary sources
- $\mathbf{s}_{1}$ is i.i.d. Bernoulli(1/2)
- $\mathbf{s}_{2}$ is $\mathbf{s}_{1}$ corrupted by $\operatorname{Bernoulli}(p)$ noise
- Decoder wants the modulo-2 sum .


Rate Region: Set of rates $\left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right)$ such that there exist encoders and decoders with vanishing probability of error

$$
\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \rightarrow 0 \text { as } m \rightarrow \infty
$$

Are any rate savings possible over sending $\mathbf{s}_{1}$ and $\mathbf{s}_{2}$ in their entirety?

## Random Binning

- Sending $\mathbf{s}_{1}$ and $\mathbf{s}_{2}$ 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 $\left(\mathbf{s}_{1}, \mathbf{s}_{2}\right)$ in each bin!
- This would be fine if all pairs in a bin have the same sum, $\mathbf{s}_{1}+\mathbf{s}_{2}$. But this probability goes to zero exponentially fast!

Körner-Marton Problem: Random Binning Illustration


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## Linear Binning

- Use the same random matrix $\mathbf{G}$ for linear binning at each encoder:

$$
\mathbf{w}_{1}=\mathbf{G s}_{1} \quad \mathbf{w}_{2}=\mathbf{G s}_{2}
$$

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

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{w}_{2} & =\mathbf{G} \mathbf{s}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{G} \mathbf{s}_{2} \\
& =\mathbf{G}\left(\mathbf{s}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{2}\right) \\
& =\mathbf{G u}
\end{aligned}
$$

- G is good for compressing $\mathbf{u}$ if $R>H(U)=h_{B}(p)$.


## Körner-Marton Theorem

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

$$
R_{1} \geq h_{B}(p) \quad R_{2} \geq h_{B}(p)
$$

Körner-Marton Problem: Linear Binning Illustration


Körner-Marton Problem: Linear Illustration


## Körner-Marton Rate Region



Linear codes can improve performance!
(for distributed computation of dependent sources)


- Rate Region: Set of rates $\left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right)$ such that the encoders can send $\mathbf{w}_{1}$ and $\mathbf{w}_{2}$ to the decoder with vanishing probability of error

$$
\mathbb{P}\left\{\left(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_{1}, \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{2}\right) \neq\left(\mathbf{w}_{1}, \mathbf{w}_{2}\right)\right\} \rightarrow 0 \text { as } m \rightarrow \infty
$$

## Multiple-Access Channels

- Cuckoo's egg lemma applies to all three error events.
- For example, event that only $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_{1}$ is wrong:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}\left\{\hat{\mathbf{w}}_{1} \neq \mathbf{w}_{1}, \hat{\mathbf{w}}_{2}=\mathbf{w}_{2}\right\} & \leq \sum_{\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{1} \neq \mathbf{w}_{1}} \mathbb{P}\left\{\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\left(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{1}\right), \mathbf{x}_{2}\left(\mathbf{w}_{2}\right), \mathbf{y}\right) \text { jointly typical }\right\} \\
& \leq 2^{-n\left(I\left(X_{1} ; Y \mid X_{2}\right)-R_{1}-3 \epsilon\right)}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Rate Region (Ahlswede, Liao)

Convex closure of all ( $R_{1}, R_{2}$ ) satisfying

$$
\begin{aligned}
R_{1} & <I\left(X_{1} ; Y \mid X_{2}\right) \\
R_{2} & <I\left(X_{2} ; Y \mid X_{1}\right) \\
R_{1}+R_{2} & <I\left(X_{1}, X_{2} ; Y\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

for some $p\left(x_{1}\right) p\left(x_{2}\right)$.

## Finite-Field Multiple-Access Channels

- Linear codes can achieve any rate available for uniform $p\left(x_{1}\right), p\left(x_{2}\right)$.
- 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 $\left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right)$ satisfying

$$
R_{1}+R_{2} \leq \log q-H(Z)
$$

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 $2^{n R_{1}}$ i.i.d. uniform codewords for user 1.
- Generate $2^{n R_{2}}$ 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
$2^{n R_{1}}$ codewords

$2^{n R_{2}}$ codewords
$2^{n\left(R_{1}+R_{2}\right)}$ modulo sums of codewords

## Computation over Finite Field Multiple-Access Channels

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 $\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \rightarrow 0$


## Random Linear Coding

- Same linear code at both transmitters $\mathbf{x}_{1}=\mathbf{G w}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{2}=\mathbf{G w}_{2}$.
- Sums of codewords are themselves codewords:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{y} & =\mathbf{x}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{x}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{z} \\
& =\mathbf{G} \mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{G} \mathbf{w}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{z} \\
& =\mathbf{G}\left(\mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{w}_{2}\right) \oplus \mathbf{z} \\
& =\mathbf{G} \mathbf{u} \oplus \mathbf{z}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Need $\max \left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right) \leq \log q-H(Z)$

Random linear codes are good for computation
$2^{n R_{1}}$ codewords

$2^{n \max \left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right)}$ modulo sums of codewords
$2^{n R_{2}}$ codewords


- I.I.D. Random Coding: $R_{1}+R_{2} \leq \log q-H(Z)$
- Random Linear Coding: $\max \left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right) \leq \log q-H(Z)$
- Linear codes double the sum rate without any dependency.
- Is this useful for sending messages (no computation)?


## Two-Way Relay Channel



Has $\mathbf{w}_{1}$
Wants $\mathbf{w}_{2}$


Relay


Has $\mathbf{w}_{2}$
Wants $\mathbf{w}_{1}$

- 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



Relay


Has $\mathbf{w}_{2}$
Wants $\mathbf{w}_{1}$

## q-ary Two-Way Relay Channel


q-ary Two-Way Relay Channel


- i.i.d. noise sequences with entropy $H(Z)$.
- Rates $R_{1}$ and $R_{2}$.
- Upper Bound:
$\max \left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right) \leq \log q-H(Z)$
- 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 $\mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{w}_{2}$ $\max \left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right) \leq \log q-H(Z)$

- I.I.D. Random Coding: $R_{1}+R_{2} \leq \log q-H(Z)$
- Random Linear Coding: $\max \left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right) \leq \log q-H(Z)$
- Linear codes can double the sum rate for exchanging messages.


## Generalizing Linear Codes..

- 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 ...):


## Nested Linear Codes

- Consider a linear code $\mathcal{C}_{c}$ of rate $1-k / n$ :

$$
\left[\begin{array}{c}
x_{1} \\
x_{2} \\
\vdots \\
x_{n}
\end{array}\right]=\left[\begin{array}{cccc}
g_{11} & g_{12} & \cdots & g_{1, n-k} \\
g_{21} & g_{22} & \cdots & g_{2, n-k} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
g_{n 1} & g_{n 2} & \cdots & g_{n, n-k}
\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{c}
w_{1} \\
\vdots \\
w_{n-k}
\end{array}\right]
$$

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

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

$$
\mathcal{C}_{c}(\mathbf{u})=\left\{\mathbf{x}: \mathbf{H}_{c} \mathbf{x}=\mathbf{u}\right\}
$$

- The coset leader is the one sequence in $\mathcal{C}_{c}(\mathbf{u})$ that has the smallest Hamming weight.


## Nested Linear Codes

- For any sequence $\mathbf{x}$ we write $\mathbf{x} \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}$ to denote the coset leader corresponding to $\mathbf{H}_{c} \mathbf{x}$.
- Observation: This satisfies all the usual properties of the modulo operation, such as

$$
(\mathbf{x} \oplus \mathbf{y}) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}=\left(\mathbf{x} \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c} \oplus \mathbf{y} \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}\right) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}
$$

## Theorem

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

$$
k / n \geq H_{b}(m / n)-\epsilon
$$

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

## Nested Linear Codes

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
(2) The sum of any two codewords, modulo "the coarse code," is again a codeword

On the BSC with crossover probability $p$, 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

$$
w_{H}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right) \leq m \quad \text { and } \quad w_{H}\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right) \leq m
$$

## Distributed Dirty Paper Coding

- Choose codewords $\mathbf{t}_{1}$ and $\mathbf{t}_{2}$. Transmit

$$
\mathbf{x}_{1}=\left(\mathbf{t}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{1}\right) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c} \quad \text { and } \quad \mathbf{x}_{2}=\left(\mathbf{t}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{2}\right) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}
$$

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

$$
\mathbf{y}=\left[\left(\mathbf{x}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{1}\right) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}\right] \oplus\left[\left(\mathbf{x}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{2}\right) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}\right] \oplus \mathbf{s}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{z}
$$

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

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{y} \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c} & =\left(\mathbf{x}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{x}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{s}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{z}\right) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c} \\
& =\left(\mathbf{x}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{x}_{2} \oplus \mathbf{z}\right) \bmod \mathcal{C}_{c}
\end{aligned}
$$

- 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 $\mathbb{P}\{\hat{\mathbf{u}} \neq \mathbf{u}\} \rightarrow 0$


## Achievable Strategy (Nazer-Gastpar '08)

Use the same linear code, $\max \left(R_{1}, R_{2}\right) \leq I\left(X_{1} \oplus X_{2} ; Y\right)$ (for binary, uniform inputs)

- General Functions: $U_{i}=f\left(W_{1 i}, W_{2 i}\right)$
- 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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## Gaussian MMSE Estimation

- 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: $\mathbb{E}\left[(Y-X)^{2}\right]=\mathbb{E}\left[Z^{2}\right]=N$.
- Minimum mean-squared error (MMSE):

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

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


## Point-to-Point AWGN Channels

- Codewords must satisfy power constraint:


$$
\|\mathbf{x}\|^{2} \leq n P
$$

- 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.
(Cover and Thomas,
Elements of Information Theory)

- In high dimensions, noise starts to look spherical.


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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 $\{0,1,2, \ldots, q-1\}$ to equally spaced points between $-1 / 2$ and $1 / 2$.
- Place codewords $\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{G w}$ into
 the fundamental Voronoi region $\mathcal{V}=[-1 / 2,1 / 2)^{n}$


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- Modulo operation with respect to lattice $\Lambda$ is just the residual quantization error,

$$
[\mathbf{x}] \bmod \Lambda=\mathbf{x}-Q_{\Lambda}(\mathbf{x}) .
$$

- Mimics the role of $\bmod q$ in $q$-ary alphabet.
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& =\max _{p(\mathbf{x})}\left(h(\tilde{\mathbf{y}})-\frac{n}{2} \log (2 \pi e N)\right) \quad \text { Entropy of Gaussian Noise }
\end{aligned}
$$

## $\bmod \Lambda$ AWGN Channel Capacity



- Channel output entropy is equal to the logarithm of the Voronoi region volume if it is uniform over $\mathcal{V}$ :

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

- $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}=[\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{z}] \bmod \Lambda$ 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:

$$
R=\frac{1}{n} \log (\operatorname{Vol}(\mathcal{V}))-\frac{1}{2} \log (2 \pi e N)
$$

Power Constraints and Second Moments


- Must scale lattice $\Lambda$ so that the uniform distribution over the Voronoi region $\mathcal{V}$ meets the power constraint $P$.
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& \text { Normalized Second Moment: } \quad G(\Lambda)=\frac{\sigma_{\Lambda}^{2}}{(\operatorname{Vol}(\mathcal{V}))^{2 / n}} \\
& \Longrightarrow \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 e G(\Lambda))
\end{aligned}
$$

## What is $G(\Lambda)$ ?



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

$$
\begin{aligned}
C & \geq \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N}\right)-\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{2 \pi e}{12}\right) \\
& \approx \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N}\right)-0.255
\end{aligned}
$$

## Asymptotically Good $G(\Lambda)$

## Theorem (Zamir-Feder-Poltyrev '94)

There exists a sequence of lattices $\Lambda^{(n)}$ such that $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} G\left(\Lambda^{(n)}\right)=\frac{1}{2 \pi e}$.


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

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

## Asymptotically Good $G(\Lambda)$

- Can actually get this with a linear code tiled over $\mathbb{Z}^{n}$ (see, for instance, Erez-Litsyn-Zamir '05.)
- Many works looking at this from different perspectives.
- We will just assume existence.


## Properties of Random Linear Codes

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

## Codeword Properties

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

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

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.

$$
\mathbb{P}\left\{\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{1}}=\mathrm{x}_{1}, \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{2}}=\mathrm{x}_{2}\right\}=\frac{1}{q^{2 n}}=\mathbb{P}\left\{\mathbf{x}_{1}=\mathrm{x}_{1}\right\} \mathbb{P}\left\{\mathbf{x}_{2}=\mathrm{x}_{2}\right\}
$$

- 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

$$
\mathbf{x}=[\gamma \mathbf{G w}] \bmod \mathbb{Z}^{n}
$$ independent so we can apply the union bound.

- General coarse lattice $\Lambda=\mathbf{B} \mathbb{Z}^{n}$.
- First, apply generator matrix for linear code Gw. Then scale down by $\gamma$ and tile over $\mathbb{Z}^{n}$.
- Multiply by B and apply $\bmod \Lambda$ to get codebook.
- As $q$ gets large, each codeword's marginal distribution looks uniform over $\mathcal{V}$.

$$
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$$

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## MMSE Scaling

- Erez-Zamir '04: Prior to taking $\bmod \Lambda$, scale by $\alpha$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\mathbf{y}} & =[\alpha \mathbf{y}] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =[\alpha \mathbf{x}+\alpha \mathbf{z}] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =[\mathbf{x}+\alpha \mathbf{z}-(1-\alpha) \mathbf{x}] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

Effective Noise

- 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 $\alpha$ is the MMSE coefficient $\alpha_{\text {MMSE }}=\frac{P}{N+P}$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
N_{\mathrm{EFFEC}} & =\alpha_{\mathrm{MMSE}}^{2} N+\left(1-\alpha_{\mathrm{MMSE}}\right)^{2} P=\frac{P N}{N+P} \\
C & =\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N_{\mathrm{EFFEC}}}\right)=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P}{N}\right)
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## Dithering

- Now the noise is dependent on the codeword.
- Dithering can solve this problem (just as in the discrete case).
- Map message $\mathbf{w}$ to a lattice codeword $\mathbf{t}$.
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## Decoding - Remove Dither First

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

$$
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\end{aligned}
$$

- 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:

$$
R=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P}{N}\right)-\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{2 \pi e}{12}\right)
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$$
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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

$$
\begin{aligned}
R_{1} & <\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P_{1}}{N}\right) \\
R_{2} & <\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P_{2}}{N}\right) \\
R_{1}+R_{2} & <\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P_{1}+P_{2}}{N}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Power constraints $P_{1}, P_{2}$. Noise variance $N$.

## Successive Cancellation

$$
R_{2} \uparrow\left(\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P_{1}}{N+P_{2}}\right), \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P_{2}}{N}\right)\right)
$$

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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\end{aligned}
$$

## Lattice Achievability "Recipe" - Multiple-Access Corner Point

## Codebook Generation

Select a nested lattice code:

- Coarse lattice $\Lambda=\mathbf{B} \mathbb{Z}^{n}$ for shaping.
- Fine lattice from $q$-ary linear code $\mathbf{G}$ for coding.


## Encoding



$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{t}_{1} & =\left[\mathbf{B} \gamma \mathbf{G} \mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{1}}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
\mathbf{x}_{1} & =\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{d}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

- Map messages $\mathbf{w}_{1}, \mathbf{w}_{2}$ to lattice points $\mathbf{t}_{1}, \mathbf{t}_{2}$.
- Choose independent dithers $\mathrm{d}_{1}, \mathrm{~d}_{2}$ uniformly over Voronoi region $\mathcal{V}$.
- Add dithers to lattice points and take $\bmod \Lambda$ to get transmitted signals $\mathrm{x}_{1}, \mathrm{x}_{2}$.


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- Subtract dither $\mathrm{d}_{1}$.
- Take $\bmod \Lambda$.

- Decode to nearest codeword.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {\left[\alpha \mathbf{y}-\mathbf{d}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda} \\
& =\left[\alpha\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}+\mathbf{z}\right)-\mathbf{d}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\mathbf{x}_{1}-\mathbf{d}_{1}+\alpha \mathbf{z}+\alpha \mathbf{x}_{2}-(1-\alpha) \mathbf{x}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{d}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda-\mathbf{d}_{1}+\alpha \mathbf{z}+\alpha \mathbf{x}_{2}-(1-\alpha) \mathbf{x}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\alpha \mathbf{z}+\alpha \mathbf{x}_{2}-(1-\alpha) \mathbf{x}_{1}\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

## Lattice Achievability "Recipe" - Multiple-Access Corner Point

- Effective noise after scaling is $N_{\text {EFFEC }}=\alpha^{2}\left(N+P_{2}\right)+(1-\alpha)^{2} P_{1}$.
- Minimized by setting $\alpha$ to be the MMSE coefficient:

$$
\alpha_{\mathrm{MMSE}}=\frac{P_{1}}{N+P_{1}+P_{2}}
$$

- Plugging in, we get

$$
N_{\mathrm{EFFEC}}=\frac{\left(N+P_{2}\right) P_{1}}{N+P_{1}+P_{2}}
$$

- Resulting rate is

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

- To obtain different rates for $\mathbf{x}_{1}$ and $\mathbf{x}_{2}$, use nested linear codes $\mathbf{G}_{1}$ and $\mathbf{G}_{2}$ inside Voronoi region $\mathcal{V}$.

AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel - Symmetric Rates


Has $\mathbf{w}_{1}$
Wants $\mathbf{w}_{2}$


Relay

## 



Has $\mathbf{w}_{2}$
Wants $\mathbf{w}_{1}$

## AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel - Symmetric Rates



AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel - Symmetric Rates


- Upper Bound:

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

- Decode-and-Forward: Relay decodes $\mathbf{w}_{1}, \mathbf{w}_{2}$ and transmits $\mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{w}_{2}$.

$$
R=\frac{1}{4} \log \left(1+\frac{2 P}{N}\right)
$$

- Compress-and-Forward: Relay transmits quantized $\mathbf{y}$.

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

AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel - Symmetric Rates


## Decoding the Sum of Lattice Codewords

Encoders use the same nested lattice codebook.

Transmit lattice codewords:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{x}_{1}=\mathbf{t}_{1} \\
& \mathbf{x}_{2}=\mathbf{t}_{2}
\end{aligned}
$$



Decoder recovers modulo sum.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {[\mathbf{y}] \bmod \Lambda} \\
& =\left[\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}+\mathbf{z}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{t}_{2}+\mathbf{z}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{t}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda+\mathbf{z}\right] \bmod \Lambda \quad \text { Distributive Law } \\
& =[\mathbf{v}+\mathbf{z}] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

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

## Decoding the Sum of Lattice Codewords - MMSE Scaling

Encoders use the same nested lattice codebook.

Transmit dithered codewords:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{x}_{1}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{d}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& \mathbf{x}_{2}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{2}+\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$



Decoder scales by $\alpha$, removes dithers, recovers modulo sum.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {\left[\alpha \mathbf{y}-\mathbf{d}_{1}-\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda} \\
& =\left[\alpha\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}+\mathbf{z}\right)-\mathbf{d}_{1}-\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}-(1-\alpha)\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)+\alpha \mathbf{z}-\mathbf{d}_{1}-\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{t}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda-(1-\alpha)\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)+\alpha \mathbf{z}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\mathbf{v}-(1-\alpha)\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)+\alpha \mathbf{z}\right] \bmod \Lambda
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Effective Noise $\quad N_{\text {EFFEC }}=(1-\alpha)^{2} 2 P+\alpha^{2} N$

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$$

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$$
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$$

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


## From Messages to Lattice Points and Back

- Map messages to lattice points

$$
\left.\begin{array}{rl}
\mathbf{t}_{1} & =\phi\left(\mathbf{w}_{1}\right) \\
\mathbf{t}_{2} & =\phi\left(\mathbf{B} \gamma \mathbf{w}_{2}\right)
\end{array}=\left[\mathbf{B} \gamma \mathbf{w}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda \mathbf{w}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda .
$$

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

$$
\phi^{-1}\left(\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{t}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda\right)=\mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{w}_{2}
$$

- This means that after decoding a $\bmod \Lambda$ 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
Map messages to lattice points:

$$
\begin{aligned}
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& \mathbf{t}_{2}=\phi\left(\mathbf{w}_{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Transmit dithered codewords:

$$
\begin{aligned}
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& \mathbf{x}_{2}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{2}+\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$



- If decoder can recover $\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{t}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda$, it also can get the sum of the messages

$$
\mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus \mathbf{w}_{2}=\phi^{-1}\left(\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{t}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda\right)
$$

- Achievable rate $R=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{P}{N}\right)$.


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Relay


Has $\mathbf{w}_{2}$
Wants $\mathbf{w}_{1}$

- Equal power constraints $P$.
- Equal noise variances $N$.
- Equal rates $R$.
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$R \leq \frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P}{N}\right)$
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- Encoder 1 sends $\mathbf{x}_{1}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{d}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda_{1}$. Coarse lattice $\Lambda_{1}$ has second moment $P_{1}$.
- Encoder 2 sends $\mathbf{x}_{2}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{2}+\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda_{2}$. Coarse lattice $\Lambda_{2}$ has second moment $P_{2}>P_{1}$.
- Decoder performs MMSE scaling, remove dithers, recovers $\bmod \Lambda_{2}$ sum.
$R_{1}=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P_{1}}{P_{1}+P_{2}}+\frac{P_{1}}{N}\right)$

$$
R_{2}=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{1}+P_{2}}+\frac{P_{2}}{N}\right)
$$

AWGN Two-Way Relay Channel


## Theorem (Nam-Chung-Lee '10)

Capacity region is within $1 / 2$ bit of:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R_{1} \leq \min \left(\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{P_{1}}{P_{1}+P_{2}}+\frac{P_{1}}{N_{M A C}}\right),\right. \\
& R_{2} \leq \min \left(\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P_{B C}}{N_{2}}\right)\right) \\
& \log \left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{1}+P_{2}}+\frac{P_{2}}{N_{M A C}}\right), \\
& \left.\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P_{B C}}{N_{1}}\right)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

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


- Multicast demands
- Multi-access interference
- No broadcast constraints
- 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.


## Outline

I. Discrete Alphabets
II. AWGN Channels
III. Network Applications

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

- Equal rates $R$.
- Only receiver 1 sees interference:

$$
\mathbf{y}_{1}=\mathbf{x}_{1}+\beta \sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}+\mathbf{z}_{1}
$$

- How big does $\beta$ have to be to achieve $R=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P}{N}\right)$ ?
 (i.e. "very strong" case)
- Scheme A: Decode $\mathbf{w}_{2}, \ldots, \mathbf{w}_{K}$ at receiver 1 and remove prior to decoding $\mathbf{w}_{1}$.

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

- Scheme B: Decode $\mathbf{w}_{2} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbf{w}_{K}$ at receiver 1 and remove prior to decoding $\mathbf{w}_{1}$.

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

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Transmit dithered codewords:

$$
\mathbf{x}_{\ell}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{\ell}+\mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda
$$



Decoder scales by $\beta^{-1}$, removes dithers, recovers modulo sum.

$$
\left[\beta^{-1} \mathbf{y}_{1}-\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda=\left[\sum_{\ell=2}^{K}\left(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}-\mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right)+\beta^{-1}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{z}_{1}\right)\right] \bmod \Lambda
$$

(Distributive Law) $=\left[\left[\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{t}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda+\beta^{-1}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{z}_{1}\right)\right] \bmod \Lambda$

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$$

- Effective noise variance $N_{\text {EFFEC }}=\beta^{-2}(P+N)$.
- Can decode $\bmod \Lambda$ 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

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

- 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:

$$
\left[\left[\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{t}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda+\left[\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda\right] \bmod \Lambda=\left[\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda
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$$

- Subtract from $\mathbf{y}_{1}$ to expose the coarse lattice point nearest to the real sum $\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}$ :

$$
\beta^{-1} \mathbf{y}_{1}-\left[\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda=Q_{\Lambda}\left(\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}\right)+\beta^{-1}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{z}_{1}\right)
$$

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

$$
Q_{\Lambda}\left(Q_{\Lambda}\left(\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}\right)+\beta^{-1}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{z}_{1}\right)\right)=Q_{\Lambda}\left(\sum_{\ell=2}^{K} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}\right) \quad \text { w.h.p. }
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$$

- Finally, get back the real sum

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

## Successive Cancellation of Sums

- 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

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

- Compare to decoding interfering codewords in their entirety:

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

- 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 $(3 K+3)(1+\log (K+1))$ bits per user.


- Equal rates $R$. How big does $\beta$ have to be to achieve $R=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P}{N}\right)$ ? (i.e. "very strong" case)
- Can use the many-to-one decoder at every receiver to get

$$
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$$

- What about asymmetric interference channels?


## Interference Channel - Symmetric Very Strong Case



- Equal rates $R$. How big does $\beta$ have to be to achieve $R=\frac{1}{2} \log \left(1+\frac{P}{N}\right)$ ? (i.e. "very strong" case)
- Can use the many-to-one decoder at every receiver to get

$$
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$$

- 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 $K / 2 \mathrm{DoF}$ (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


## Summary

- 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

Transmitters do not know channel realization.

Encoders use the same nested lattice codebook.

Transmit dithered codewords:

$$
\mathbf{x}_{\ell}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{\ell}+\mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda
$$



- Decoder removes dithers and recovers integer combination

$$
\mathbf{v}=\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell} \mathbf{t}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda
$$

- Receiver can use its knowledge of the channel gains to match the equation coefficients $a_{\ell}$ to the channel coefficients $h_{\ell}$.


## Distributive Law

- Distributive Law also holds for integer combinations. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {\left[a\left[\mathbf{x}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda+b\left[\mathbf{x}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda\right] \bmod \Lambda} \\
& =\left[a\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}-Q_{\Lambda}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right)\right)+b\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}-Q_{\Lambda}\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)\right)\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[a \mathbf{x}_{1}+b \mathbf{x}_{2}-a Q_{\Lambda}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right)-b Q_{\Lambda}\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[a \mathbf{x}_{1}+b \mathbf{x}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

- Last step follows since since $a Q_{\Lambda}\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}\right)$ and $b Q_{\Lambda}\left(\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)$ are elements of the lattice $\Lambda$.


## Computation over Fading Channels

- Transmit dithered codewords $\mathbf{x}_{\ell}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{\ell}+\mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda$
- Decoder removes dithers and recovers integer combination

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {\left[\mathbf{y}-\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell} \mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda} \\
& =\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} h_{\ell} \mathbf{x}_{\ell}+\mathbf{z}-\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell} \mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell}\left(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}-\mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right)+\sum_{\ell=1}^{K}\left(h_{\ell}-a_{\ell}\right) \mathbf{x}_{\ell}+\mathbf{z}\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
=\left[\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell} \mathbf{t}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda+{\underset{\text { Effective Noise }}{\left.\sum_{\ell=1}^{K}\left(h_{\ell}-a_{\ell}\right) \mathbf{x}_{\ell}+\mathbf{z}\right]} \bmod \Lambda \quad \text { Distributive Law }}_{\bmod }\right.
$$

## Computation over Fading Channels - Effective Noise

- Effective noise due to mismatch between channel coefficients $\mathbf{h}=\left[h_{1} \cdots h_{K}\right]^{T}$ and equation coefficients $\mathbf{a}=\left[a_{1} \cdots a_{K}\right]^{T}$.

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

## Computation over Fading Channels - Effective Noise

- Effective noise due to mismatch between channel coefficients $\mathbf{h}=\left[h_{1} \cdots h_{K}\right]^{T}$ and equation coefficients $\mathbf{a}=\left[a_{1} \cdots a_{K}\right]^{T}$.

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

- Can do better with MMSE scaling.

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

- See Nazer-Gastpar '11 for more details.


## Computation over Fading Channels - Special Cases

- The rate expression simplifies in some special cases.

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

- Integer channels: $\mathbf{h}=\mathbf{a}$.

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

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

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

## Finite Field Computation over Fading Channels

Transmitters do not know channel realization.

Encoders use the same nested lattice codebook.

Transmit dithered codewords:

$$
\mathbf{x}_{\ell}=\left[\mathbf{t}_{\ell}+\mathbf{d}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda
$$



- Recall that mapping $\mathbf{t}_{\ell}=\phi\left(\mathbf{w}_{\ell}\right)$ between messages and lattice points preserves linearity.

$$
\phi^{-1}\left(\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell} \mathbf{t}_{\ell}\right] \bmod \Lambda\right)=\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell} \mathbf{w}_{\ell}\right] \bmod q=\bigoplus_{\ell=1}^{K} a_{\ell} \mathbf{w}_{\ell}
$$

- Digital interface that fits well with network coding.


## Computation Coding

All users pick the same nested lattice code:


## Computation Coding

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


## Computation Coding

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


## Computation Coding

Transmit lattice points over the channel:


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## Computation Coding

Lattice codewords are scaled by channel coefficients:


## Computation Coding

Scaled codewords added together plus noise:


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## Computation Coding

Extra noise penalty for non-integer channel coefficients:


Effective noise: $N+P\|\mathbf{h}-\mathbf{a}\|^{2}$

## Computation Coding

Scale output by $\alpha$ to reduce non-integer noise penalty:


Effective noise: $\alpha^{2} N+P\|\alpha \mathbf{h}-\mathbf{a}\|^{2}$

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## Computation Coding

Decode to closest lattice point:


Effective noise: $\alpha^{2} N+P\|\alpha \mathbf{h}-\mathbf{a}\|^{2}$

## Computation Coding

Compute sum of lattice points modulo the coarse lattice:


Effective noise: $\alpha^{2} N+P\|\alpha \mathbf{h}-\mathbf{a}\|^{2}$

## Computation Coding

Map back to equation of message symbols over the field:


Effective noise: $\alpha^{2} N+P\|\alpha \mathbf{h}-\mathbf{a}\|^{2}$

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

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

Case Study - Hadamard Relay Network


- Equal rates $R . \mathbf{H}$ is a Hadamard matrix, $\mathbf{H H}^{T}=K \mathbf{I}$

Upper Bound

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

Compress-and-Forward

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

Compute-and-Forward

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

Decode-and-Forward

$$
\frac{1}{2 K} \log \left(1+\frac{K P}{N}\right)
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Decode-and-Forward

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



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.



## 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 $a, b \neq 0$.

10dB


## Computation over Fading Channels - No CSIT

- Receiver observes $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{x}_{1}+h \mathbf{x}_{2}+\mathbf{z}$.
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20 dB


## Computation over Fading Channels - No CSIT

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30 dB


## Computation over Fading Channels - No CSIT

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40dB


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- Receiver observes $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{x}_{1}+h \mathbf{x}_{2}+\mathbf{z}$.
- Recovers $a \mathbf{w}_{1} \oplus b \mathbf{w}_{2}$ for $a, b \neq 0$.

50dB


## Rate-Constrained Cellular Backhaul



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


## Structured Superposition



Odd Codeword


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$$
h_{\mathrm{ODD}}>h>h_{\mathrm{EVEN}}
$$



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$$
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$$



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## Structured Superposition: Performance

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- Compress-and-forward rate taken from Sanderovich et al. '09
- Layering can reduce "non-integer loss."


## Structured Superposition: Performance

$\mathrm{SNR}=15 \mathrm{~dB}$, Backhaul Rate $R_{\text {haul }}=3.5$


- Compress-and-forward rate taken from Sanderovich et al. '09
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## Structured Superposition: Performance

SNR $=20 \mathrm{~dB}$, Backhaul Rate $R_{\text {haul }}=4.5$


- Compress-and-forward rate taken from Sanderovich et al. '09
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## Diophantine Approximation

- Choose equation coefficients to maximize rate:

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

- 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 DoF $=\lim _{P \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R_{\text {COMP }}}{\frac{1}{2} \log (1+P)} \leq 2$
- Also shows that by combining compute-and-forward with interference alignment can get DoF to $K$.


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s is interference known noncausally to the encoder.


Assume s i.i.d. Gaussian, very large variance $P_{S}$.

## Erez-Shamai-Zamir '05:

Encoder subtracts $\alpha$ s, dithers, and takes $\bmod \Lambda$.

$$
\mathbf{x}=[\mathbf{t}-\alpha \mathbf{s}+\mathbf{d}] \bmod \Lambda
$$



Decoder scales by $\alpha$, removes dither, takes $\bmod \Lambda$, and recovers $\mathbf{t}$. Interference is cancelled.

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## Dirty Gaussian Multiple-Access Channel



## Philosof-Zamir-Erez-Khisti '11:

- Encoder 1 knows interference $\mathbf{s}_{1}$.
- Encoder 2 knows interference $\mathbf{s}_{2}$.
- 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.


## Dirty Gaussian Multiple-Access Channel

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

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{x}_{1} & =\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}-\alpha \mathbf{s}_{1}+\mathbf{d}_{1}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
\mathbf{x}_{2} & =\left[\mathbf{t}_{2}-\alpha \mathbf{s}_{2}+\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

Decoder removes dithers:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& {\left[\alpha \mathbf{y}-\mathbf{d}_{1}-\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda} \\
& =\left[\alpha\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}+\mathbf{s}_{1}+\mathbf{s}_{2}+\mathbf{z}\right)-\mathbf{d}_{1}-\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& \left.=\left[\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}+\alpha\left(\mathbf{s}_{1}+\mathbf{s}_{2}\right)-(1-\alpha)\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)+\alpha \mathbf{z}\right)-\mathbf{d}_{1}-\mathbf{d}_{2}\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& =\left[\mathbf{t}_{1}+\mathbf{t}_{2}+(1-\alpha)\left(\mathbf{x}_{1}+\mathbf{x}_{2}\right)+\alpha \mathbf{z}\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$

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

$$
R_{1}+R_{2} \leq\left[\frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{1}{2}+\frac{P}{N}\right)\right]^{+}
$$

## Secrecy

- 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.


## Relaying



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.


## Distributed Source Coding: "Gaussian Körner-Marton Problem"

- Correlated Gaussian sources.

$$
\binom{\mathbf{s}_{1}}{\mathbf{s}_{2}} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0},\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & \rho \\
\rho & 1
\end{array}\right]\right)
$$

- Decoder wants the difference.
- Nested lattices are also good for Gaussian source coding.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \begin{array}{ll}
\mathrm{s}_{1} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{1} & \stackrel{R_{1}}{\jmath} \\
\mathrm{~s}_{2} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{2} & R_{2} \\
& \mathcal{D} \quad \mathrm{u}
\end{array} \\
& \mathrm{u}=\mathbf{s}_{1}-\mathrm{s}_{2} \\
& D=\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}\|\hat{\mathbf{u}}-\mathbf{u}\|^{2}
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with high probability, $s_{1}$ and $\mathrm{s}_{2}$ will land near the same coarse lattice point.
- Only need to send:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{t}_{1}=\left[Q_{\Lambda_{\text {FINE }}}\left(\mathbf{s}_{1}\right)\right] \bmod \Lambda \\
& \mathbf{t}_{2}=\left[Q_{\Lambda_{\text {FINE }}}\left(\mathbf{s}_{2}\right)\right] \bmod \Lambda
\end{aligned}
$$



## Three-User Gaussian Distributed Source Coding

- Correlated Gaussian sources.

$$
\binom{\mathbf{s}_{1}}{\mathbf{s}_{2}} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0},\left[\begin{array}{ll}
1 & \rho \\
\rho & 1
\end{array}\right]\right)
$$

- Third source is the difference:

$$
\mathbf{s}_{3}=\mathbf{s}_{1}-\mathbf{s}_{3}
$$



- Structured codes make new rate points accessible in distributed Gaussian source coding.

$$
\begin{aligned}
D_{1} & =\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}\left\|\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{1}-\mathbf{s}_{1}\right\|^{2} \\
D_{2} & =\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}\left\|\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{2}-\mathbf{s}_{2}\right\|^{2} \\
D_{3} & =\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}\left\|\hat{\mathbf{s}}_{3}-\mathbf{s}_{3}\right\|^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

- 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


## Concluding Remarks

- 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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