EE359 – Lecture 12 Outline

- Announcements
 - Midterm announcements
 - No HW next week (practice MTs)
 - HW5 posted, due Tuesday 5pm (no late HWs)
- MGF Approach to MRC
- Generalized Combining
- Transmit Diversity
- Midterm Review
- Introduction to adaptive modulation
- Variable-rate variable-power MQAM

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Review of Last Lecture

- Array Structure of a Diversity Combiner
- Performance metrics:
 - Outage probability and average probability of error
 - Array and Diversity gain
- Combining Techniques
 - Selection Combining (SC): Path with highest gain used
 - Maximal Ratio Combining (MRC): Paths cophased and summed with optimal weights to maximize SNR
- SC Performance Analysis
 - Combiner SNR is the maximum of the branch SNRs.
 - CDF easy to obtain $(\Pi_{ip}(\gamma_i < \gamma_{thr}))$, pdf found by differentiating.
 - P_{out} obtained from CDF. Average P_s typically found numerically
 - Diminishing returns with number of antennas.
 - Can get up to about 20 dB of gain.

Midterm Announcements

- Midterm: Friday (2/21), 2-4 pm in (Hewlett 103)
 - Food will be served after the exam!
- Review sessions
 - My midterm review will be during today's lecture
 - TA review (+OHs): Wednesday 2/19 from 4-6 pm in 364 Packard
- Midterm logistics:
 - Open book/notes; Bring reader/calculators. Disconnected electronic devices OK.
 - Covers Chapters 1-7 (sections covered in lecture and/or HW)
- OHs next week:
 - Me: Tue 2/18: 3-4:45pm, Thu 6-7pm, Fri 10:30-11:30am all in 371 Packard
 - Tom: Wed ~5-6pm, Thu 1:30-2:50pm, Fri 11:30-12:30pm
- No HW next week
- Midterms from past 3 MTs posted:
 - 10 bonus points for "taking" a practice exam
 - · Solutions for all exams given when you turn in practice exam

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Review continued MRC and its Performance

- With MRC, $\gamma_{\Sigma} = \Sigma \gamma_i$ for branch SNRs γ_i
 - Optimal technique to maximize output SNR
 - Yields 20-40 dB performance gains
 - Distribution of γ_{Σ} hard to obtain
- Standard average BER calculation

$$\overline{P}_b = \int P_b(\gamma_{\Sigma}) p(\gamma_{\Sigma}) d\gamma_{\Sigma} = \int \int ... \int P_b(\gamma_{\Sigma}) p(\gamma_1) * p(\gamma_2) * ... * p(\gamma_M) d\gamma_1 d\gamma_2 ... d\gamma_M$$

- Hard to obtain in closed form
- Integral often diverges
- MGF Approach: For P_s in AWGN of $P_s = \alpha Q(\sqrt{\beta \gamma})$

$$\bar{P}_s = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \prod_{i=1}^M \int_0^{\infty} \exp\left[\frac{-.5\beta}{\sin^2 \phi} \gamma_i\right] p_{\gamma_i}(\gamma_i) d\gamma_i dx = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \prod_{i=1}^M \mathcal{M}_{\gamma_i} \left(\frac{-.5\beta}{\sin^2 \phi}\right) d\phi.$$

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Generalized Combining

- For a diversity system with M branches:
 - Selects L branches, 1<L<M, with the highest SNR
 - Combined the L branches with MRC or EGC
- Complexity/performance tradeoffs
 - Better performance than L-branch MRC/EGC with higher complexity
 - Worse performance than M-branch MRC/EGC with lower complexity
- Performance analysis requires order statistics to characterize the L branches with the best SNR
 - MGF approach with order statistics can be used to obtain the distribution of the output SNR, P_s, P_{out}

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Midterm Review

- Overview of Wireless Systems
- Signal Propagation and Channel Models
- Modulation and Performance Metrics
- Impact of Channel on Performance
- Fundamental Capacity Limits
- Diversity Techniques
- Main Points

Transmit Diversity

Not covered in lecture/HW/exams

- With channel knowledge, similar to receiver diversity, same array/diversity gain
- Without channel knowledge, can obtain diversity gain through Alamouti scheme:
 - 2 TX antenna space-time block code (STBC)
 - Works over 2 consecutive symbols
 - Achieves full diversity gain, no array gain
 - Part of various wireless standards, including LTE
 - Hard to generalize to more than 2 TX antennas
 - Alamouti code not covered in lecture/exams

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Adaptive Modulation (not on MT)

- Change modulation relative to fading
- Parameters to adapt:
 - Constellation size
 - Transmit power
 - Instantaneous BER
 - Symbol time
 - Coding rate/scheme

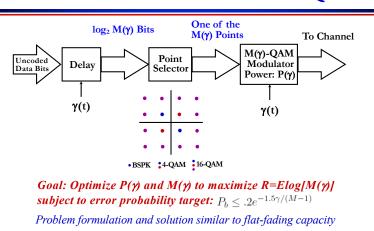
Only 1-2 degrees of freedom needed for good performance

- Optimization criterion:
 - Maximize throughput
 - Minimize average power
 - Minimize average BER

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Variable-Rate Variable-Power MQAM



Main Points

- Analysis of MRC simplified using MGF approach
- GC combines benefits of SC and MRC
- TX diversity with CSI at TX same as RX diversity
 - Can obtain diversity gain even without channel information at transmitter via space-time block codes.
- Adaptive modulation leverages fast fading to improve performance (throughput, BER, etc.)
- Adaptive MQAM adapts instantaneous power and data rate to maximize average data rate
 - Optimization very similar to flat-fading channel capacity

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