Giga-bit WLAN: Areas with Potential for Breakthrough

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Outline

Spectrum Sharing & More Spectrum Sharing!

I Gbits/sec in 4 Key Network Configurations:





Uplink=Multiple Access Channel

Down-link= Broadcast Channel





Parallel Links= Interference Channel

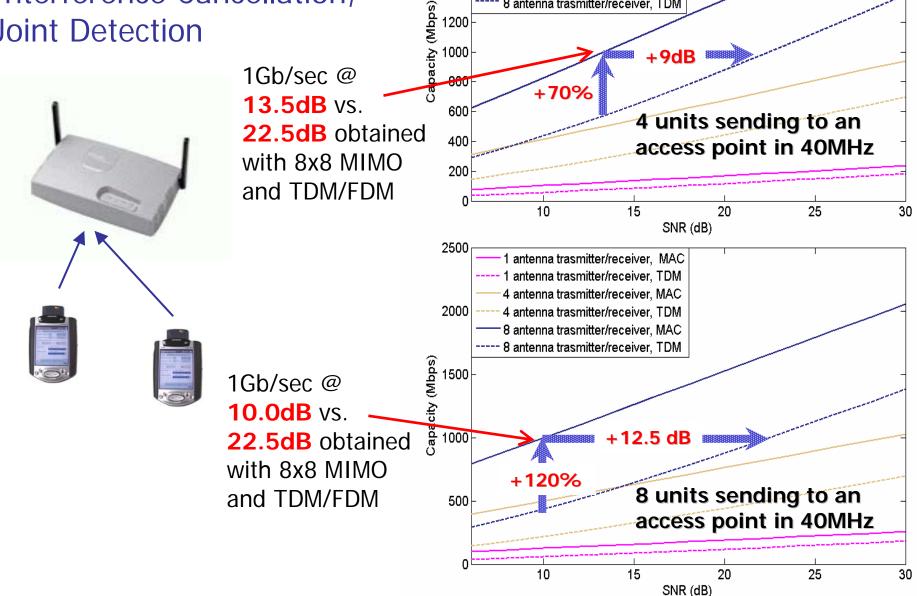
Channel with feedback= Two-way Channel

Is Coding & Modulation Dead? Never!



- MIMO with better Frequency Reuse:
 Interference Management (instead of *Interference Avoidance*)
 - TDM/FDM is NOT the right choice
- Closer Attention to Fundamentals
 - Cross Layer Design
 - Network Information Theory

Multiple Access Channel: Interference Cancellation, Joint Detection



2000

1800

1600

1400

1200

1 antenna trasmitter/receiver, MAC

1 antenna trasmitter/receiver, TDM

4 antenna trasmitter/receiver, MAC

4 antenna trasmitter/receiver, TDM

8 antenna trasmitter/receiver, MAC

8 antenna trasmitter/receiver. TDM

Advantages of MIMO

- Multiplexing Gain (MG): Rate~MG×W×log(SNR)
 - MG shows an effective increase in bandwidth
- Diversity Gain (DG): *P(error)* ~ *SNR*^{-DG}
 - DG determines reliability when CSI is not available at the transmitter
- MIMO breakthrough:

 $K \times K$ MIMO offers MG = K or $DG = K^2$ and a variety of **tradeoffs** in between

Forgotten Link: Bandwidth

People got so excited about MIMO that forgot the effect of bandwidth (MG×W) in the effective rate:

Rate ~ $MG \times W \times \log(SNR)$

- Traditional view in a point-to-point system:
 - There is a tradeoff between MG and DG for a fixed W
- Correct view in a network of links:
 - In addition to the tradeoff between MG, DG, there is a tradeoff between W and SNR
 - Bandwidth allocation should be taken into account

MIMO Broadcast Channel: Space Division Multiple Access (SDMA)

- Main result: A system with K transmit antennas support MG = K if the total number of receive antennas is at least K
 - Same MG as a point-to-point MIMO
- Disadvantage vs. point-point MIMO:
 - Transmitter needs to know the channel to all receivers
- Advantages vs. point-point MIMO:
 - Rich scattering as each receiver is at a different location
 - Low complexity receivers
 - Each receiver receives a fraction of the total rate

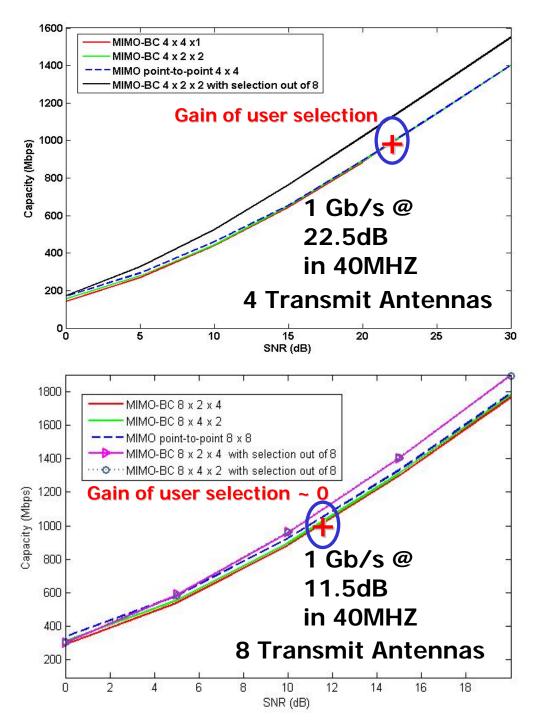


MIMO-BC=SDMA



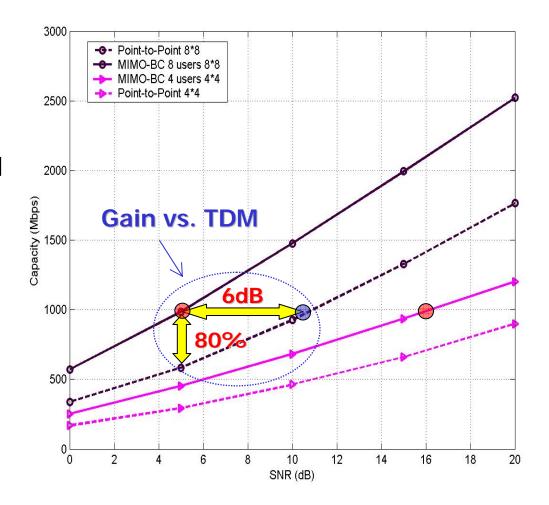
Observations:

- Perform almost the same as point-to-point MIMO
- Various configurations provide almost the same gain as log as the total number of receive and transmit antennas are the same
- User selection (multi-user diversity) does not help much



A More Promising Case in MIMO-BC: Transmitters/Receiver units have Equal Number of Antennas

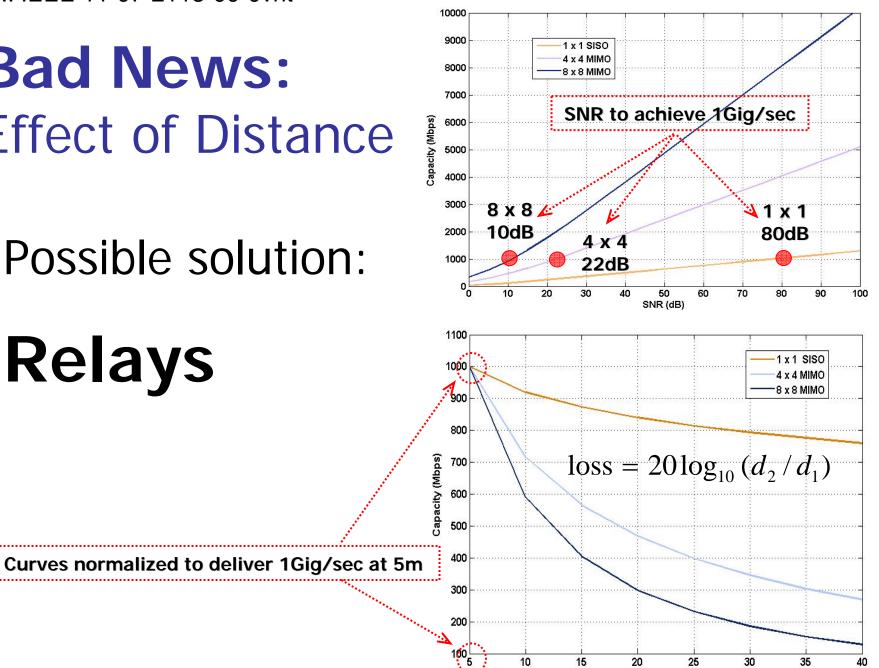
- 1 Gb/sec @ W=40MHZ:
 ~5dB with 8 antenna units
 ~16dB with 4 antenna units
 Significant gain vs. TDM/TDM
 - ~6dB gain in SNR
 - 80% increase in rate
- Reduced Complexity
 - Low rate receivers
- Good for environments with low scattering



Relays

Bad News: Effect of Distance

Possible solution:

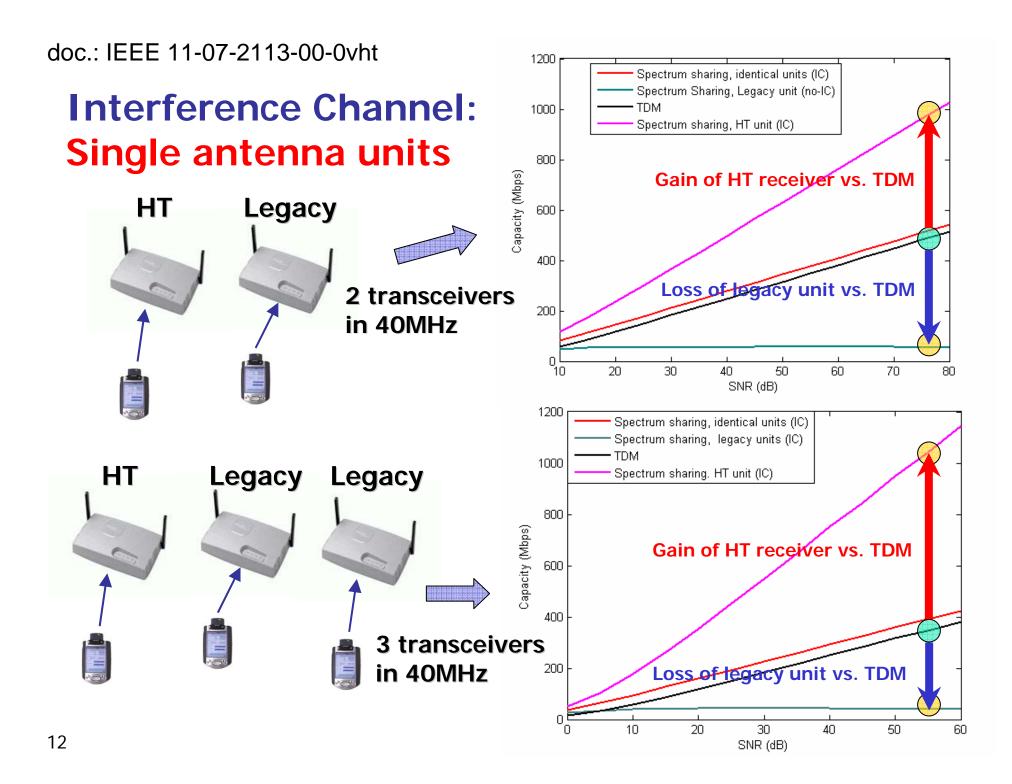


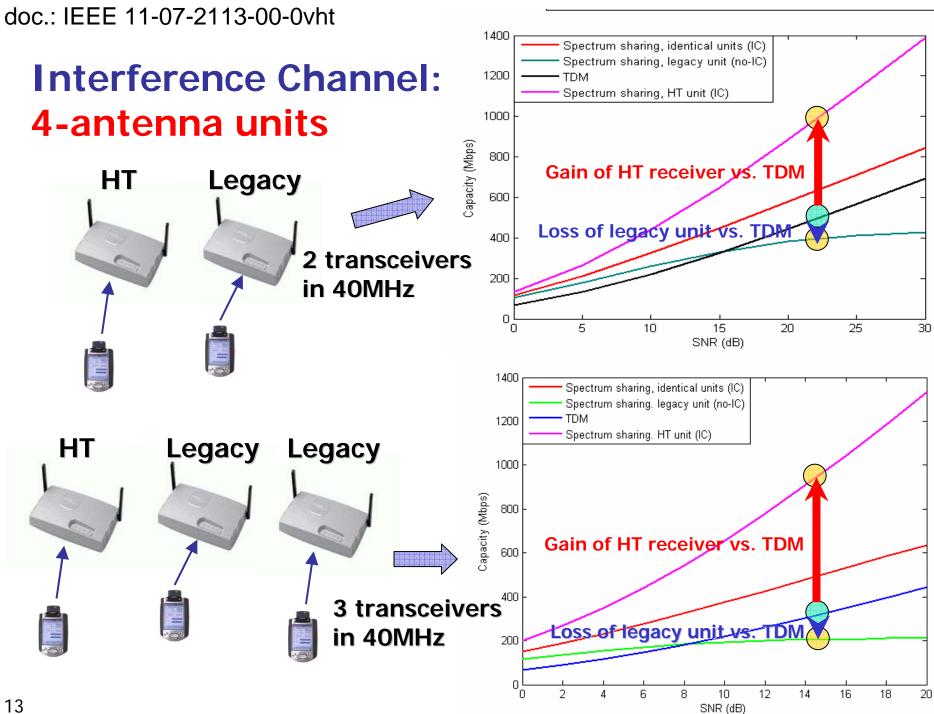
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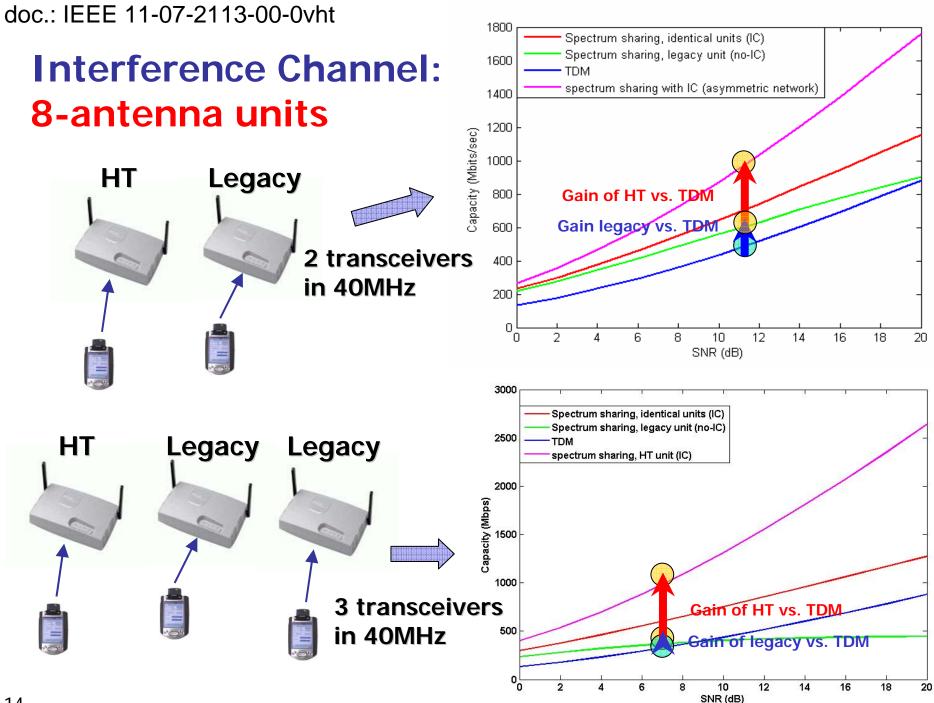
Interference Channel:Spectrum SharingLegacy

- Receiver's Strategies:
 - 1) Treat interference as noise
 - 2) Decode interference jointly with the signal
 - 3) Decode and cancel interference
- Key Point:
 - Strong interference is good for strategy 3
- Assume two types of receivers:
 - <u>HT (High Throughput) receivers:</u> Use the best strategy among the 3 options
 - <u>Legacy receivers</u>: Simply treat interference as noise

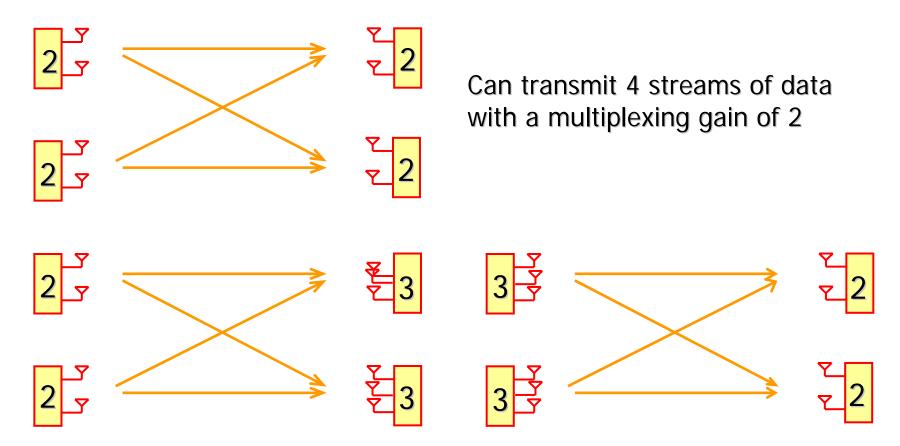








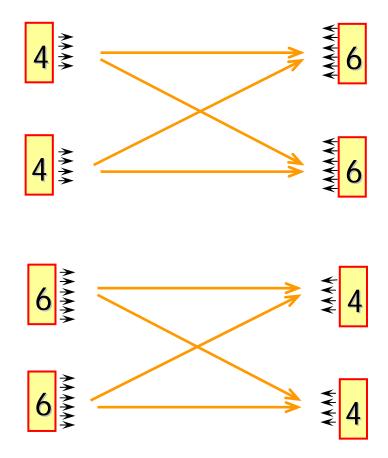
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Can transmit 4 streams of data with a multiplexing gain of 4

M. A. Maddah-Ali, S. A. Motahari, and Amir K. Khandani, "Communication over MIMO X Channels: Signaling and Performance Analysis," Submitted to IEEE Transactions on Information Theory: www.cst.uwaterlo.ca

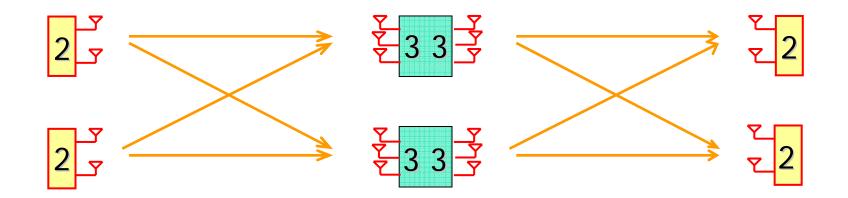
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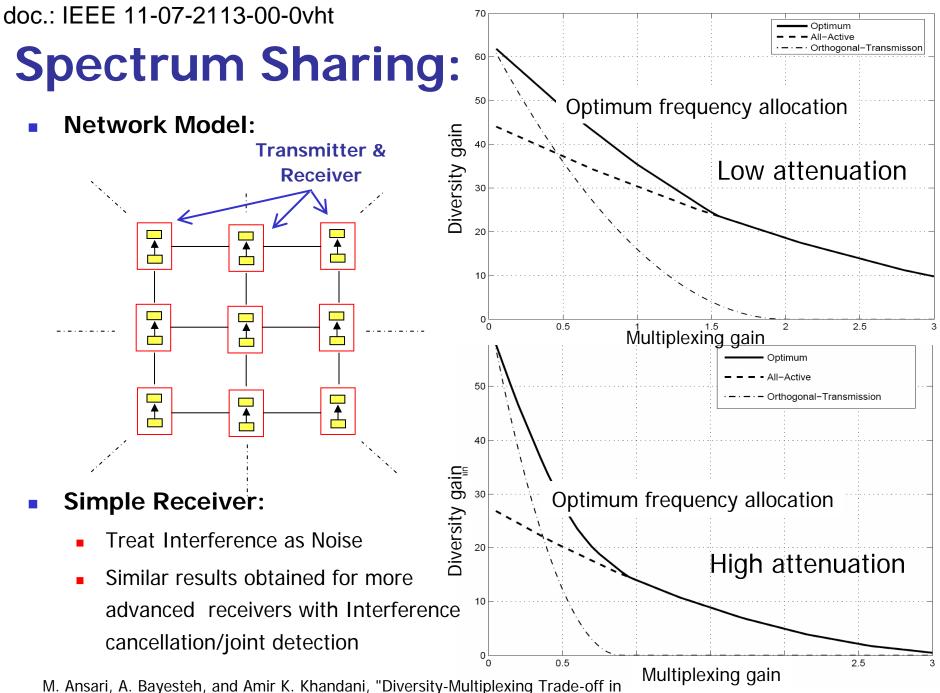
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An Important Message: Shared relay is better than dedicated relay



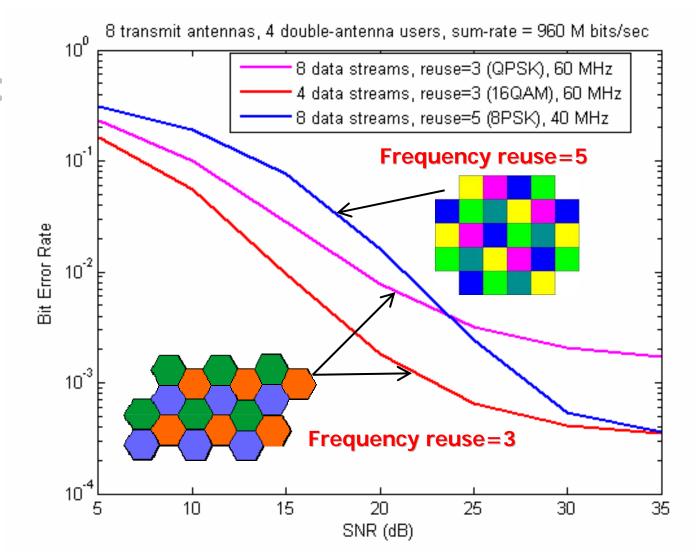
- Transmits 4 streams with a multiplexing gain of 4
- By increasing the number of antennas in the relays from 2 to 3, the effective bandwidth is increased by a factor of two



18 Interference Channels" submitted to IEEE Trans. on Info. Theory: www.cst.uwaterlo.ca

Impact of Interference on MG/DG Tradeoff in Network: An example

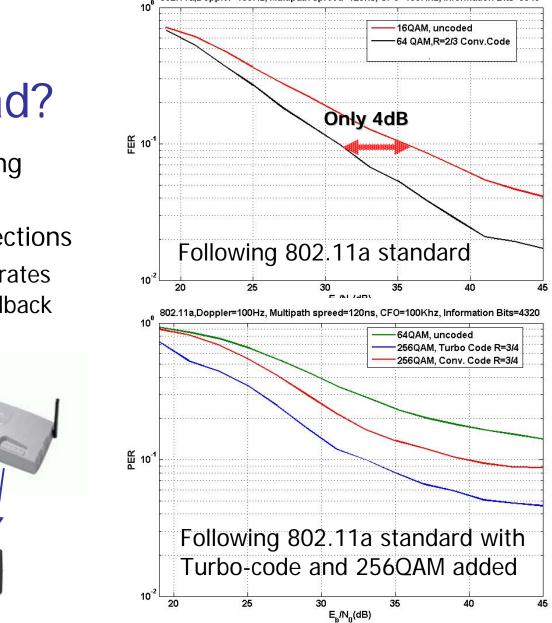
Message: Revisit old design criterion before selecting BLAST vs. Alamouti!



Is Coding & Modulation Dead?

- Higher gains possible using coset coding/shaping*
- Error floor due to imperfections
 - Operate at higher error rates and use continuous feedback
- Coding over packets
 - Erasure Channel

Two-way channel



* A. K. Khandani, W. Tong, Application of Shaping Technique with Turbo Coset Codes, IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology, to appear, Sept 07

As Marconi said,

"It is dangerous to put limits on wireless"

