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## **Mobile Communications**

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**NB:** Those tasks highlighted **bold-faced** can be solved independently from the previous ones. Label the axis of all your graphs properly.

- 1. Consider a propagation model where the received power is proportional to  $d^{-n}$ , where d is the distance (7 pt) between transmitter and receiver and n is the path loss exponent. The received power has been measured to be  $P_{\rm R,1} = -80$  dBm at a distance  $d_1 = 50$  m and  $P_{\rm R,2} = -90$  dBm at a distance  $d_2 = 100$  m.
  - (a) What is the path loss exponent n? Hint:  $10 \cdot \log_{10}(2) \approx 3$ .
  - (b) Compute the power received at a distance of  $d_3 = 500$  m.
  - (c) Compute the maximum distance  $d_{\text{max}}$  so that the received power level maintains above the detection threshold of -166.7 dBm (Hint:  $-166.7 \approx -500/3$ ,  $10^{2.3} \approx 200$ ,  $10^{2.6} \approx 400$ ).
  - (d) Assume the path loss is n = 3 and the maximum distance  $d_{max} = 600$  m. We would like to double the cell radius to 1200 m without changing the transmit power or the noise power. Explain how this can be achieved by deploying multiple antennas at the receiver: What is the appropriate receive filtering technique and how many antenna elements are needed?

We now consider a base station (BS) with a transmit power of  $P_{T,1} = 42$  dBm and a relay station (RS) with a transmit power of  $P_{T,2} = 33$  dBm. The distance between base station and relay station is  $d_R = 600$  m. Our goal is to assign users to the base station or the relay station depending on the received power level.



- (e) Compute the distance  $d_1$  where the power received from the base station is equal to the power received from the relay station. As before, assume a path loss exponent of n = 3. Hint:  $10^{0.3} \approx 2$ .
- 2. Let the random variable X by Gaussian distributed with zero mean and variance one, i.e.,  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ . (5 pt) Then a new random variable Y is given by Y = g(X), where  $g(x) = x^2 \quad \forall x$ . Derive the probability density function  $f_Y(y)$ .
- 3. Consider an *L*-path model with L = 2 paths that have the following parameters:  $c_1 = 2$ ,  $\tau_1 = 100$  ns, (14 pt)  $f_{D,1} = -10$  Hz,  $c_2 = 1$ ,  $\tau_2 = 200$  ns,  $f_{D,2} = 20$  Hz.
  - (a) Provide the explicit expressions for  $h(\tau, t)$ , H(f, t),  $H(f, f_D)$ , and  $h(\tau, f_D)$ .
  - (b) Give the explicit expression for the power-delay profile  $\varphi_h(\tau)$  and sketch it.
  - (c) Compute the average delay  $\overline{\tau}$ , the squared average  $\overline{\tau^2}$ , and the RMS delay spread  $\tau_{\rm rms}$  (Hint: no calculator needed).

- (d) Provide the explicit expression for the spaced-frequency correlation function  $\varphi_h(\Delta f)$ .
- (e) Give the formula for the scattering function  $\Phi_h(\tau, f_D)$  and sketch it (pseudo-3D or view from top).

Next, consider L = 3 paths that have the following (transmit) directions of departure  $\theta_{T,\ell}$  and (receive) directions of arrival  $\theta_{R,\ell}$ :  $\theta_{T,1} = -10^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_{T,2} = 40^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_{T,3} = 30^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_{R,1} = 70^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_{R,2} = -60^{\circ}$ ,  $\theta_{R,3} = 0^{\circ}$ . Moreover, the amplitudes of the three paths are  $c_1 = 1$ ,  $c_2 = 3$ ,  $c_3 = 2$ .

- (f) Sketch the angular power spectrum at the transmitter  $\varphi_{h,T}(\theta_T)$ .
- (g) Sketch the angular power spectrum at the receiver  $\varphi_{h,R}(\theta_R)$ .
- (h) Sketch the 2-D angular power spectrum  $\varphi_h(\theta_R, \theta_T)$  (pseudo-3D or view from top).
- (i) Sketch the 2-D angular power spectrum  $\varphi_{h,kron}(\theta_T, \theta_R)$  that is obtained by computing a Kronecker approximation to the channel (pseudo-3D or view from top).
- 4. The following graph shows the bit error rate performance of an uncoded QPSK transmission under dif- (8 pt) ferent conditions:
  - (i) a pure AWGN channel.
  - (ii) a single-input single-output (SISO) frequency-flat fading Rayleigh channel;
  - (iii) a multiple-input single-output (MISO) frequency-flat fading Rayleigh channel  $(H_w)$  with  $M_T = 2$  transmit antennas using Alamouti Space-Time Coding at the transmitter;
  - (iv) a single-input multiple-output (SIMO) frequency-flat fading Rayleigh channel ( $H_w$ ) with  $M_R = 2$  receive antennas using Maximum Ratio Combining (MRC) at the receiver;



- (a) Identify the curves (A), (B), (C), and (D) with the propagation conditions (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv). Which curve belongs to which scenario?
- (b) Explain in your own words: Why and how does diversity improve the reliability of a transmission in a fading noisy environment?
- (c) Explain in your own words: Why and how does array gain improve the reliability of a transmission in a fading noisy environment?
- (d) For the curves (A), (B), and (C), what is the diversity order?
- (e) For the curves (A), (B), and (C), what is the transmit and receive array gain?

- (f) How do the diversity order and the array gain change for (iii) if the transmitter possesses channel knowledge and therefore changes its transmission scheme from Alamouti Space-Time Coding to transmit MRC?
- (g) How do the diversity order and the array gain change for (iii) if a second receive antenna is added (i.e., a  $2 \times 2$  MIMO system is considered), where the receiver performs MRC (the transmitter still performs Alamouti Space-Time Coding)?
- 5. Consider the following channel realizations of a  $2 \times 2$  MIMO system:

$$\boldsymbol{H}^{(a)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{H}^{(b)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The corresponding singular values are given by

$$\begin{split} \sigma_1^{(a)} &= 2, \ \sigma_2^{(a)} = 0 \text{ for } \boldsymbol{H}^{(a)} \\ \sigma_1^{(b)} &= \sqrt{2}, \ \sigma_2^{(b)} = \sqrt{2} \text{ for } \boldsymbol{H}^{(b)} \end{split}$$

- (a) For  $P_{\rm T} = 1$ ,  $\sigma_{\rm n}^2 = 1$  (SNR = 0 dB), compute the open-loop MIMO capacity of  $H^{(\rm a)}$  and  $H^{(\rm b)}$ .
- (b) What is the optimal power distribution  $\gamma_1^{\text{opt}}$ ,  $\gamma_2^{\text{opt}}$  for SNR  $\rightarrow \infty$  obtained via water pouring for  $H^{(a)}$  and  $H^{(b)}$ ? You can leave the result as  $\log_2(X)$  once you found the (scalar) X.
- (c) Describe how the water pouring solution changes for lower SNRs for  $H^{(a)}$  and  $H^{(b)}$ .
- (d) What is the spatial multiplexing gain (i.e., the number of streams that can be multiplexed over the channel) in the system if the optimal (capacity-achieving) prefiltering scheme is applied for  $H^{(a)}$  and  $H^{(b)}$ ? Why?
- (e) (Bonus +2 pt): Compute the closed-loop MIMO capacity for  $P_{\rm T} = 1$ ,  $\sigma_{\rm n}^2 = 1$  (SNR = 0 dB) for  $H^{\rm (a)}$  and  $H^{\rm (b)}$ .

(6+2 pt)