

# mmWave systems: Introduction

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# This lecture

- Why mm wave is exciting
  - Key applications
- Check that it is not just hype
  - Physical feasibility

Check that the area is interesting and scientifically plausible before commencing work on it

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  - Mm-wave radar, super-resolution algorithms
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  - Mm-wave radar

# 20 good years for wireless

- Digital cellular started in the 1990s
  - 6B mobile phone subscribers today!
  - Connects the most remote locations to the global economy
- WiFi is no slouch either
  - Huge growth in carrier and enterprise markets
  - Huge potential in residential markets in developing nations
- Technology ~~is~~ was converging
  - MIMO, OFDM part of all modern standards

**mmWave represents a fundamental disruption**

# mmWave: what's different?

- System goals: multiGbps wireless
- Bandwidth no longer a constraint
- Channel characteristics
  - Sparse rather than rich scattering
- The nature of MIMO
  - Beamforming, diversity, multiplexing all different at tiny wavelengths
- Signal processing at multiGbps speeds
  - ADC is a bottleneck, OFDM may not be the best choice
- Networking with highly directional links

**So really, everything is different!**

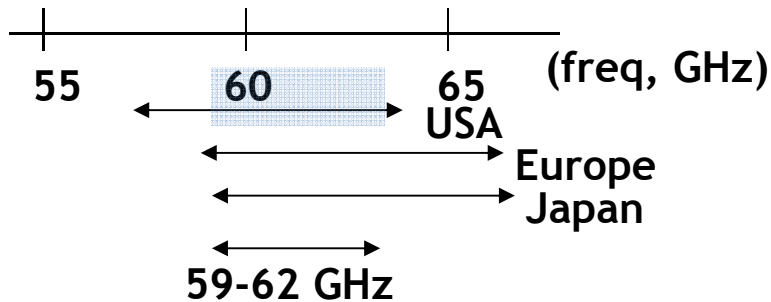
# Why the interest in mmWave?

A few marketing slides



# The end of spectral hunger (at short ranges)

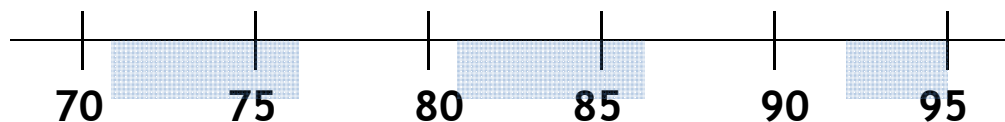
60 GHz: 7 GHz of unlicensed spectrum in US, Europe, Japan



Common unlicensed spectrum

*Oxygen absorption band*  
*Ideal for short-haul multihop*  
*(reduced interference)*

E/W bands: 13 GHz of spectrum in US with minimal licensing/registration



*Avoids oxygen absorption*  
*Good for long-haul P2P*

**Bands beyond 100 GHz becoming accessible as RFIC and packaging technology advances**

# Initial industry focus: indoor 60 GHz networks

- WiGig spec/IEEE 802.11ad standard: up to 7 Gbps
- Support for moderately directional links
- 32 element antennas that can steer around obstacles



# Progress due to push for WiGig

- 60 GHz CMOS RFICs ✓
  - WiFi-like economies of scale if and when market takes off
- Antenna array in package (32 elements) ✓
  - Good enough for indoor consumer electronics applications
- MAC protocol supporting directional links ✓
  - Good enough for quasi-static environments
  - Does not provide interference suppression
  - Does not scale to very large number of elements
- Gigabit PHY ✓
  - Standard OFDM and singlecarrier approaches
  - Does not scale to 10 Gbps at reasonable power consumption (ADC bottleneck)

# Current focus: mmWave for cellular

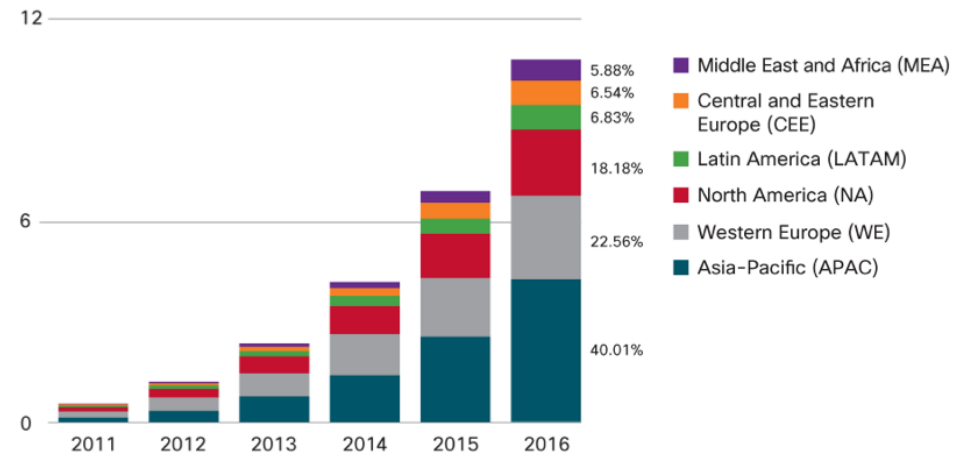
Driven by exponential growth in cellular data demand



Figure 2. Global Mobile Data Traffic Forecast by Region

Exabytes per Month

78% CAGR 2011-2016

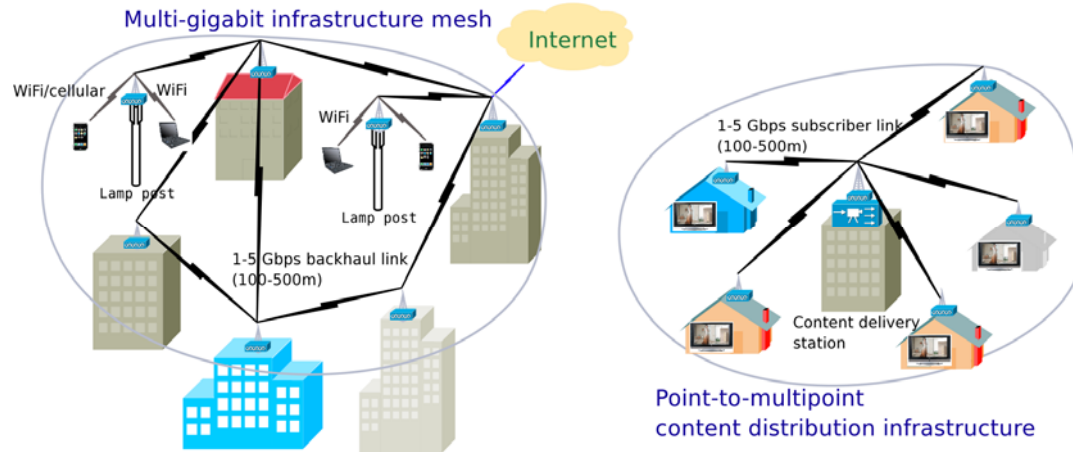


Source: Cisco VNI Mobile, 2012



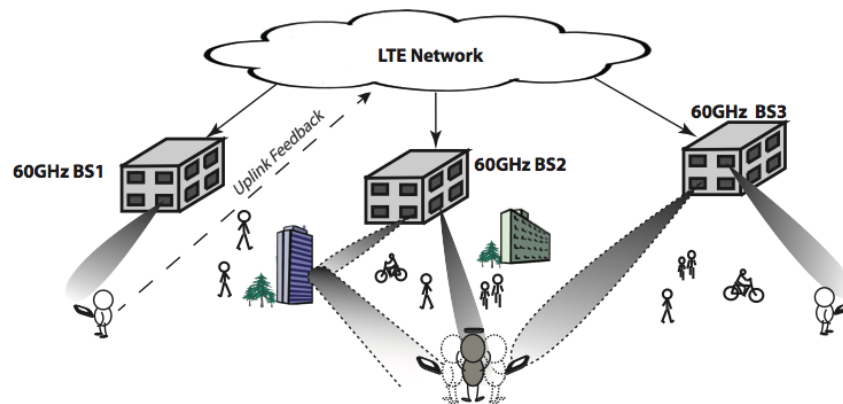
NEED EXPONENTIAL INCREASE IN CELLULAR NETWORK CAPACITY (without breaking the bank)

# mmWave Picocells and broadband



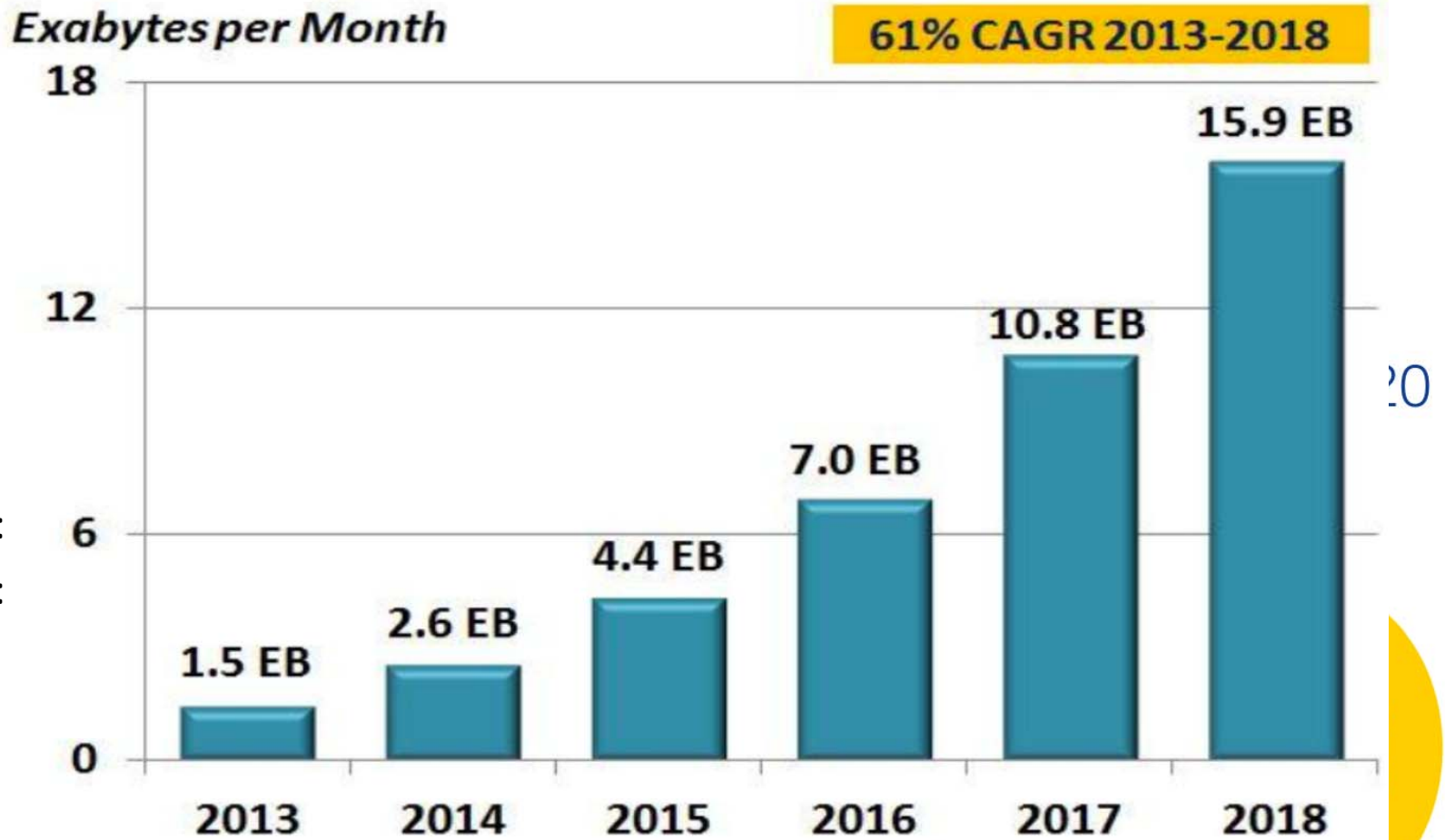
Terragraph project  
(60 GHz, repurposing WiGig)

MultiGigabit mesh networks are happening now



mmWave to the mobile will happen soon

# Industry consensus on the need for Cellular 1000X



Source: Cisco VNI Mobile, 2014

Figure 2.1. Global Mobile Data Traffic growth 2013 to 2018 (Cisco VNI).

**NOK**

Enhance

Figure courtesy:

Nokia

Qualcomm

Figure courtesy:

Cisco

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# Mm-wave enables aggressive spatial reuse

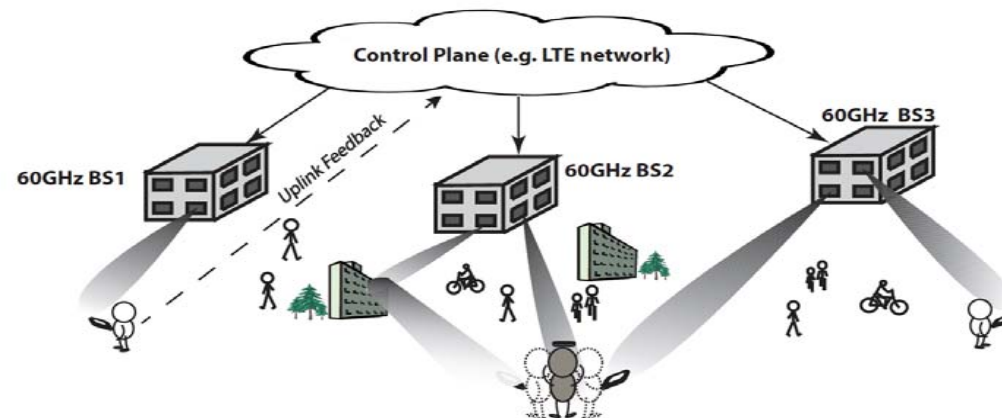
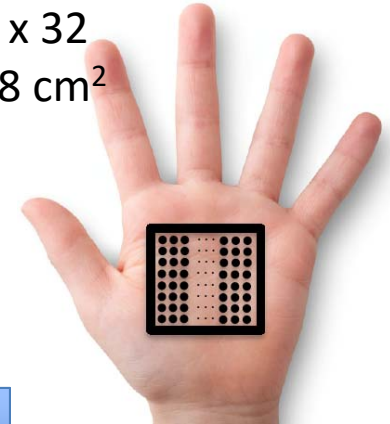
Large arrays in small form factors

Directive links

Limited interference

Dense cells / much higher spatial reuse

32 x 32  
8 x 8 cm<sup>2</sup>



# mmWave for the under-served



Google Project Skybender



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Google Wants to Fly Drones  
Over Your Head to Beam  
5G High-Speed Internet

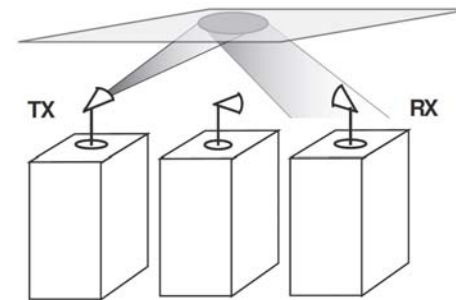
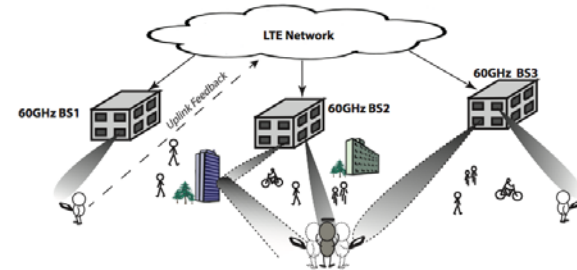
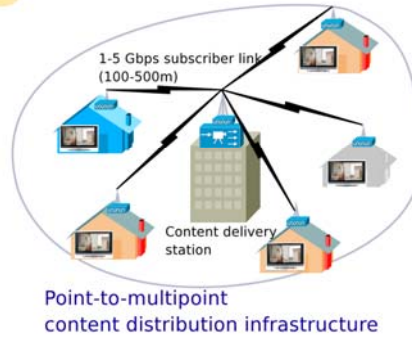
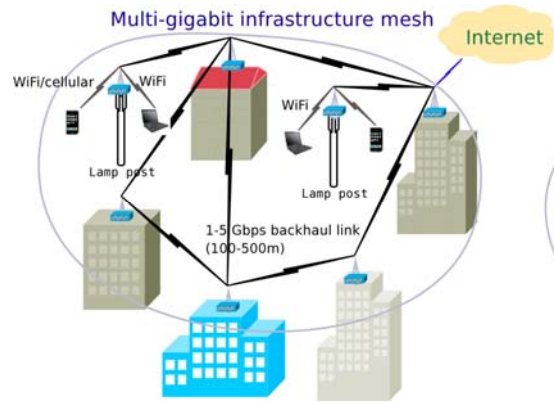
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## 'loons and drones

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif.—As of March 17, the FCC has granted permission to Google to perform airborne and terrestrial millimeter wave testing throughout the U.S., according to Android Headlines and other sources. The testing frequencies cover the 71-76 GHz and 81-86 GHz range. Google's window for testing will come to a close on April 1.



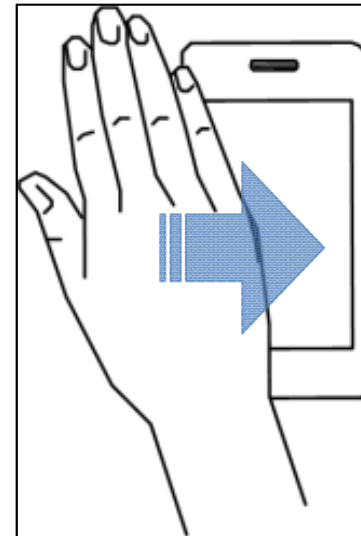
# In short: mmWave is the future of communications



# In addition...mmWave commodity radar



Vehicular situational awareness



Gesture recognition

Designs constrained by cost, complexity and geometry  
Very different from classical long-range military radar

# Concept Systems → Research Opportunities

- Revisiting MIMO
  - For tiny wavelengths
- Revisiting signal processing architectures
  - The ADC bottleneck
- Revisiting networking
  - Highly directional links change MAC design considerations
  - Multi-band operation (e.g., 1-5 GHz and 60 GHz)
- Revisiting radar
  - Short-range geometry and hardware constraints
- Inherently cross-layer even at the level of comm and estimation theory
  - Node form factor, hardware constraints, propagation geometry

# Example research in our group

- Established that blockage is not a dealbreaker
  - Even in cluttered indoor environments
- LoS MIMO: theory and prototype
  - The road to “wireless fiber”
- Diversity for sparse multipath
  - Five 9s wireless backhaul is possible
- Mesh networking with highly directional links
  - Trade off deafness against lower interference
  - Routing and resource allocation for mm-wave backhaul
- Mm wave picocellular networks
  - Need to adapt large arrays → theory of compressive estimation, super-resolution algorithms
  - Compressive network architecture
  - Interference analysis showing Cellular 1000-10000X is feasible
  - Experimental results
- ADC-limited communication
  - Fundamental limits, time-interleaved ADC, analog multiband
- Mm wave radar
  - Fundamentals of short-range radar
  - New target models and algorithms

Now that we are motivated...

# The Plan

- The mmWave channel
- MIMO concepts revisited
  - Spatial multiplexing and diversity for sparse channels
- Steering large arrays: theory and algorithms
  - Compressive estimation, super-resolution
- Networking with highly directional links: mesh networks, picocells
- Signal processing at high bandwidths
- Short-range mmWave radar

**Step 0: can we close the link?**

Link Budgets

# Is propagation on our side?

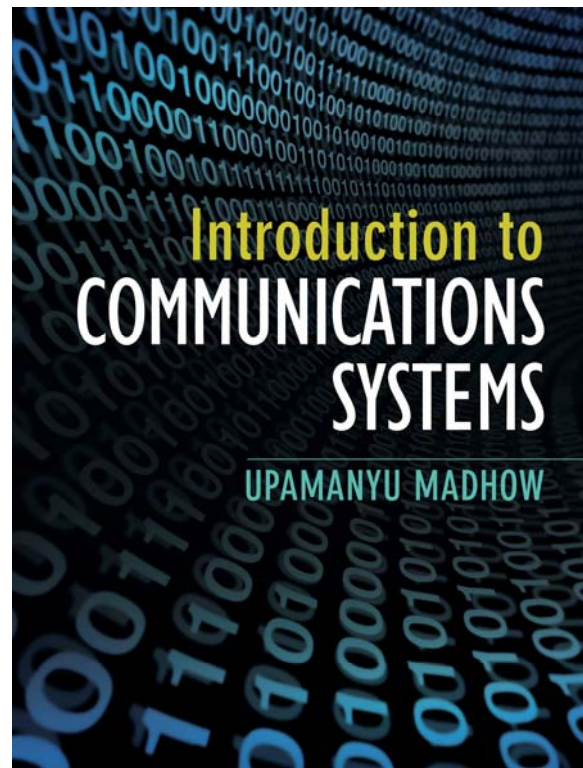
- Can we attain the kind of system specs we want with technology compatible with the mass market?
  - Link budget for indoor links
  - Link budget for outdoor links (oxygen absorption)
- CMOS power amps: sweet spot 0-10 dBm
- SiGe power amps can go higher
- With power pooling and beamforming gain from antenna arrays, can we go far enough so it is interesting?

**UWB researchers should have asked such questions**



# Link budget analysis

Undergraduate level book-keeping  
that we should all know about



Example link budgets done on board

# Link budget analysis: a review

Basic comm theory maps modulation & coding scheme to  $E_b/N_0$  requirement; we then need to map to received power needed

**Receiver sensitivity:** minimum received power required to attain a desired error probability  
(depends on the modulation scheme, bit rate, channel model, receiver noise figure)

We can now design the physical link parameters: transmit and receive antennas, transmit power, link range

**Link budget:** Once we know the receiver sensitivity, we can work backward and figure out the physical link parameters required to deliver the required received power (plus a margin of safety)

# Receiver sensitivity

$$SNR_{reqd} = \left( \frac{E_b}{N_0} \right)_{reqd} \frac{R_b}{B}$$

$$P_n = N_0 B = N_{0,nom} 10^{F/10} B \quad (\text{noise power})$$

Receiver sensitivity (minimum receive power needed)

$$P_{RX}(\text{min}) = SNR_{reqd} P_n = \left( \frac{E_b}{N_0} \right)_{reqd} \frac{R_b}{B} N_0 B = \left( \frac{E_b}{N_0} \right)_{reqd} R_b N_{0,nom} 10^{F/10}$$

# Receiver sensitivity in dBm

At room temperature and for a bandwidth of 1 Hz, the noise power equals -174 dBm

$$kT_{room} \times 1 \text{ Hz} = 4 \times 10^{-21} \text{ W} = 4 \times 10^{-18} \text{ mW}$$
$$\Rightarrow -174 \text{ dBm}$$

$$\text{Noise power over 1 Hz} = -174 + F \text{ dBm}$$

(for noise figure of  $F$  dB)

We therefore obtain

$$P_{RX,dBm}(\text{min}) = \left( \frac{E_b}{N_0} \right)_{reqd,dB} + 10 \log_{10} R_b - 174 + F$$

**How should we design the system to attain the desired RX sensitivity?**

**Need to relate transmit power to received power**

# Numerical value of noise PSD

What is the value of  $N_0$ ?

White noise arising from many devices in the receiver can be summarized into a single quantity

**Noise figure:** tells us how big the PSD is with respect to a benchmark

*Benchmark:* thermal noise of a resistor with matched impedance at “room temperature”

Benchmark noise power =  $kTB$

$k = 1.38 \times 10^{-23}$  Joules/Kelvin (Boltzmann's constant)

$T$  is temperature,  $B$  is bandwidth

$$\text{Noise figure } F = \frac{N_0}{kT_{room}}$$

$$T_{room} = 290 \text{ Kelvin}$$

Noise figure usually expressed in dB, and noise power can be computed as follows:

$$P_n = N_0 B = kT_{room} 10^{F(dB)/10} B$$

Power often expressed in dBm

$$\text{Power (dBm)} = 10 \log_{10}(\text{Power (milliwatts)})$$

# Free space propagation

The simplest model for how transmit power translates to received power

Isotropic transmission → at range  $R$ , the power is distributed over the surface of a sphere of radius  $R$

Receiver antenna provides an aperture with an effective area for catching a fraction of this power

$$P_{RX} = \frac{P_{TX}}{4\pi R^2} A_{RX}$$

Receive antenna aperture

If the transmitter uses a directional antenna:

$$P_{RX} = \frac{P_{TX}}{4\pi R^2} G_{TX} A_{RX}$$

Transmit antenna gain

# Relating gain to aperture

Antenna gain = ratio of aperture to that of an isotropic antenna

$$G = \frac{A}{\lambda^2 / (4\pi)} = \frac{4\pi A}{\lambda^2}$$

Aperture for an  
“isotropic” antenna

## Remarks

- For given aperture, gain decreases with wavelength
- Aperture roughly related to area → at lower carrier frequencies (larger wavelengths) we need larger form factors to achieve a given antenna gain



# Friis' formula for free space propagation

**Given the antenna gains:**

$$P_{RX} = P_{TX} G_{TX} G_{RX} \frac{\lambda^2}{16\pi^2 R^2}$$

For fixed antenna gains, the larger the wavelength the better

**Given the antenna apertures:**

$$P_{RX} = P_{TX} \frac{A_{TX} A_{RX}}{\lambda^2 R^2}$$

For fixed antenna apertures (roughly equivalent to fixed form factors), the smaller the wavelength the better, provided we can point the transmitter and receiver at each other

# Applying Friis' formula

Going to the dB domain:

$$P_{RX,dBm} = P_{TX,dBm} + G_{TX,dBi} + G_{RX,dBi} + 10 \log_{10} \frac{\lambda^2}{16\pi^2 R^2}$$

More generally:

$$P_{RX,dBm} = P_{TX,dBm} + G_{TX,dBi} + G_{RX,dBi} - L_{pathloss,dB}(R)$$

Plug in your  
favorite model  
for path loss

Free space path loss model gives us back the first formula:

$$L_{pathloss,dB}(R) = 10 \log_{10} \frac{16\pi^2 R^2}{\lambda^2}$$

# Link budget

Given a desired receiver sensitivity,

what is the required transmit power to attain a desired range?

OR

what is the attainable range for a given transmit power?

Must account for transmit and receive directivities, path loss, and add on a link margin (for unmodeled, unforeseen contingencies)

$$P_{TX,dBm} = P_{RX,dBm}(\min) - G_{TX,dBi} - G_{RX,dBi} + L_{pathloss,dB}(R) + L_{margin,dB}$$

# Example 60 GHz indoor link budget

2.5 Gbps link using QPSK and rate 13/16 code operating 2 dB from Shannon limit

$$(E_b/N_0)_{reqd} \approx 2.5dB$$

Noise figure 6 dB

**Receiver sensitivity = -71.5 dBm**

4x4 antenna array at each end, 2 dBi gain per element

→ 14 dBi gain at each end

10 m range → free-space path loss is about 88 dB

Transmit power with 10 dB link margin is only about -1.5 dBm!

(→ can use less directive antennas)

# Role of channel coding

Semi-powerful code leads to  $E_b/N_0$  requirement of 2.5 dB  
Uncoded QPSK with  $10^{-6}$  BER would require  $E_b/N_0$  of 10 dB

Not that important for indoor link  
(can easily bump up TX power by 10 dB)  
But can make a big difference outdoors

# Example 100 m outdoor 60 GHz link (backhaul, base-to-mobile)

*Using 10 m indoor link budget as reference*

Free space propagation loss increases by 20 dB

Oxygen absorption (16 dB/km) leads to 1.6 dB additional loss

Rain margin (25 dB/km for 2 inches/hr): 2.5 dB

Required transmit power goes up to **22.6 dBm**

For 4x4 array, TX power per element is **10.6 dBm**

(doable with CMOS, easy with SiGe)

$\text{EIRP} = 22.6 \text{ dBm} + 14 \text{ dBi} = \mathbf{36.6 \text{ dBm}} < \text{FCC EIRP limit of } 40 \text{ dBm}$

Coding gain plays an important role here: why?

# What the link budgets tell us

- 60 GHz is well matched to indoor networking and to picocellular networks
  - Oxygen absorption has limited impact at moderate ranges
  - Heavy rain can be accommodated in link budget
  - Moderate directivity suffices
  - Electronically steerable links give flexibility in networking
  - Low-cost silicon implementations are possible
- For truly long range, need to avoid 60 GHz
  - 71-76, 81-86 GHz as candidates
  - Bands above 100 GHz
  - Need very high directivity (can we steer effectively?)

*Now we can pursue novel system concepts*



# Systems to be explored

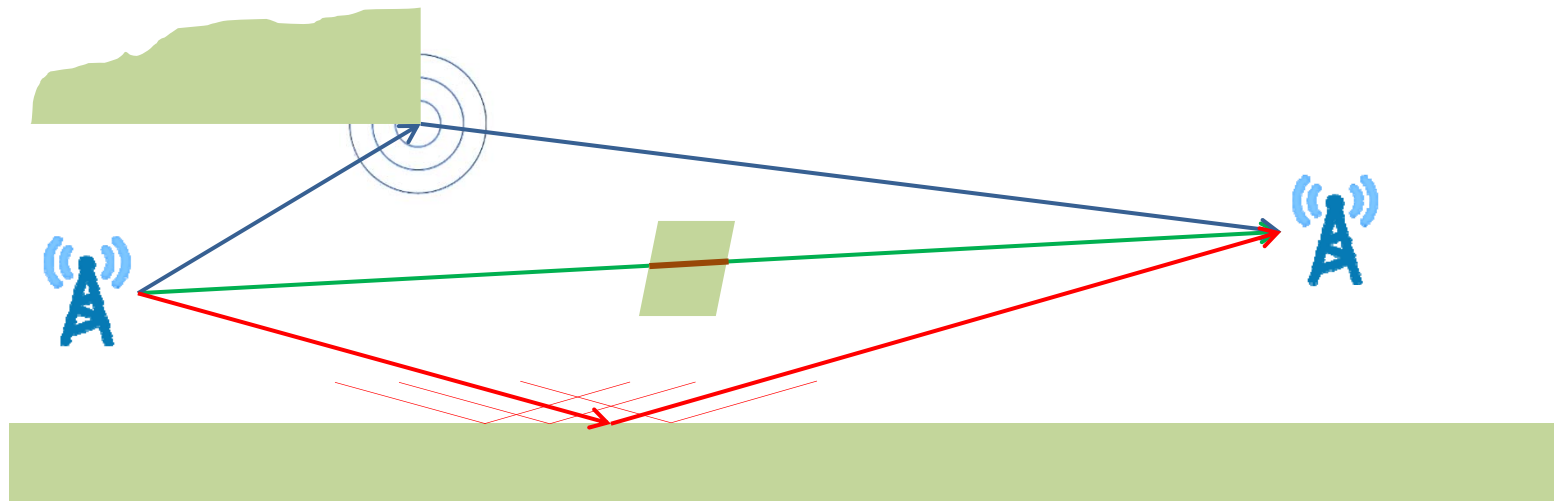
- LoS MIMO: wireless links at optical speeds
- MultiGigabit mesh backhaul
- MultiGigabit picocellular networks: cellular 1000X

# Mm wave channel modeling

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(presented by U. Madhow)

# Basics of channel modeling

- Sum of propagation paths
  - Free space propagation (LOS)
  - Specular reflection
  - Propagation through dielectric obstacles
  - Diffraction and scattering



All these components are strong in conventional lower frequency bands (<6GHz)

but in mmwave..?

## Slide 2

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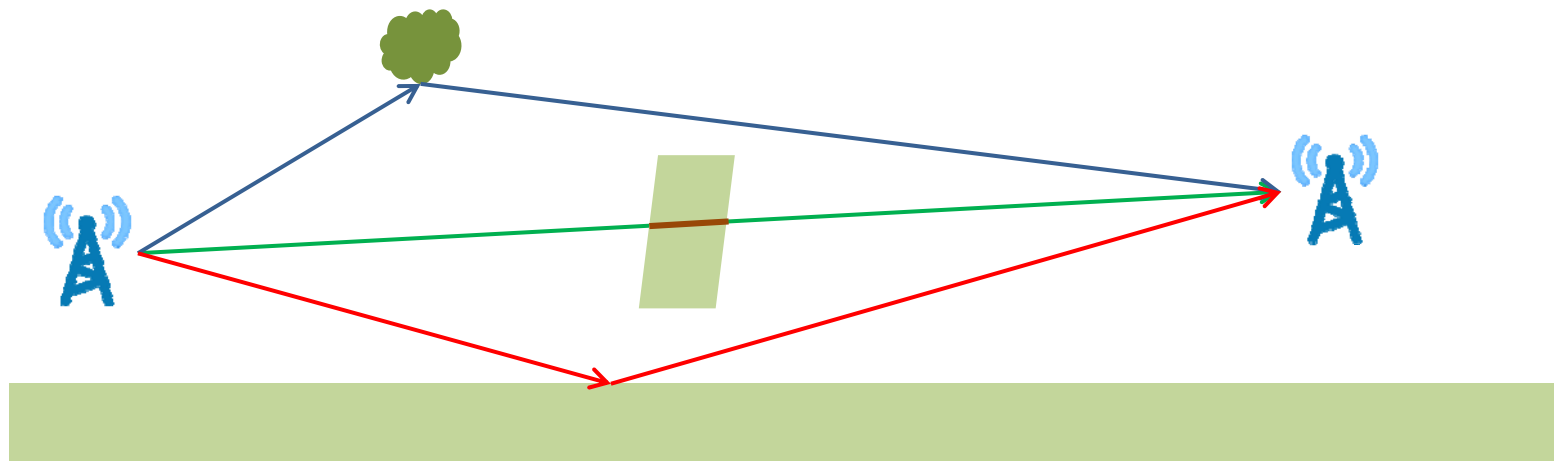
**MR2**

not sure how you wanted this slide, here are 3 versions. I think the second one makes most sense since the text says channel is "combination of" different paths

Maryam Rasekh, 09-06-2016

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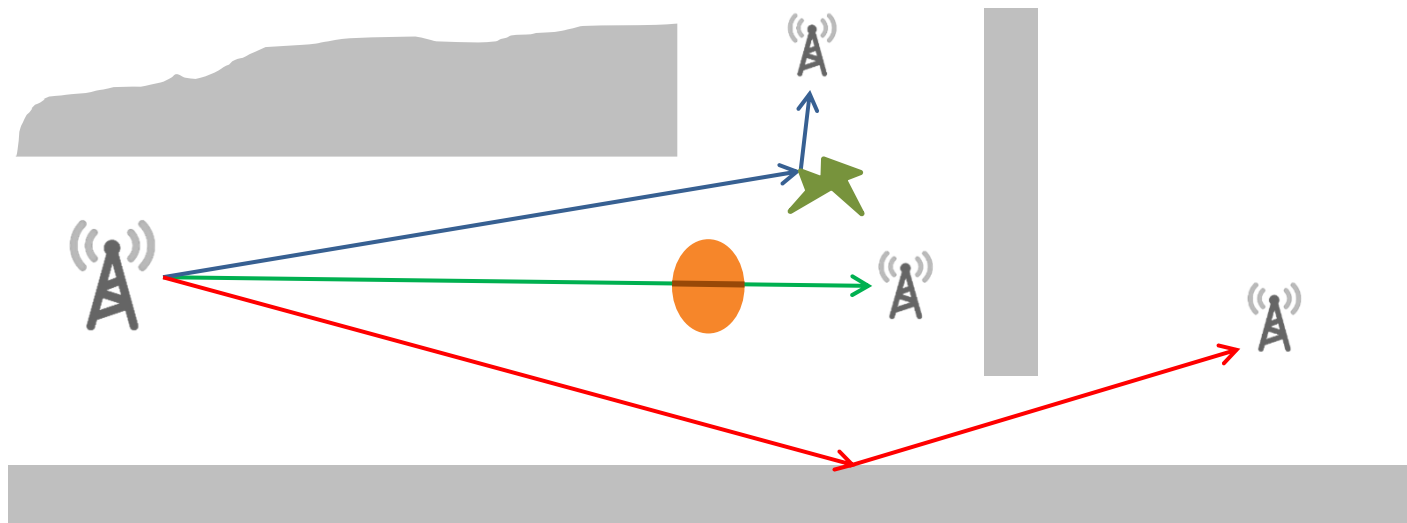


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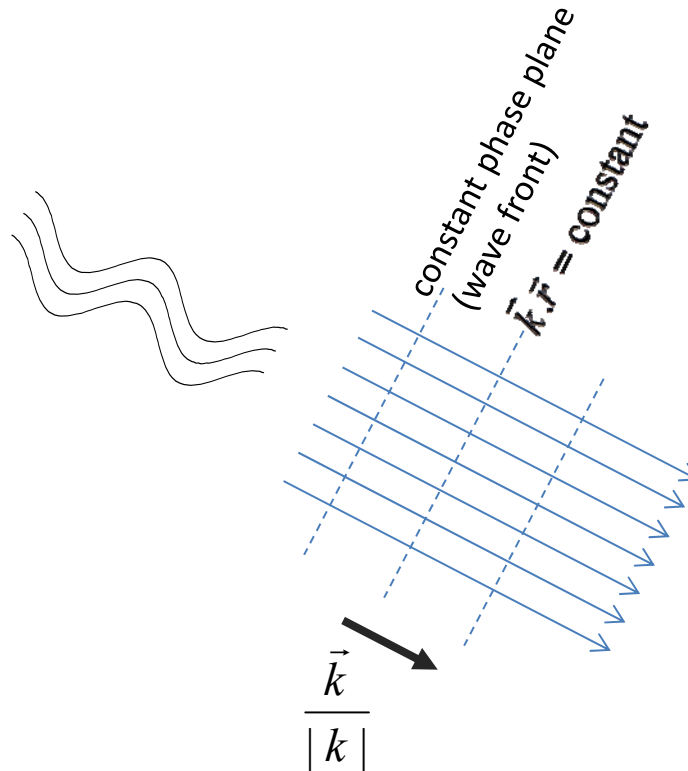
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# Reflection

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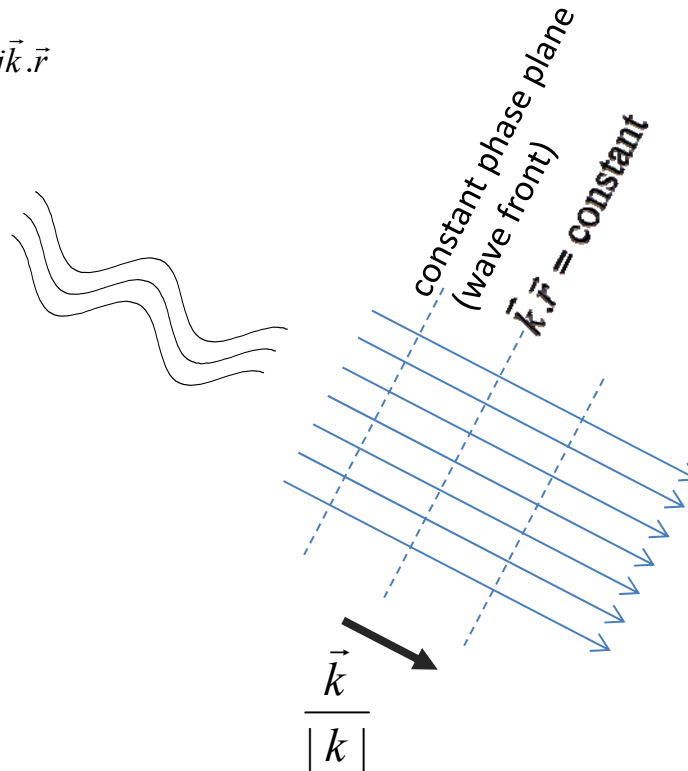


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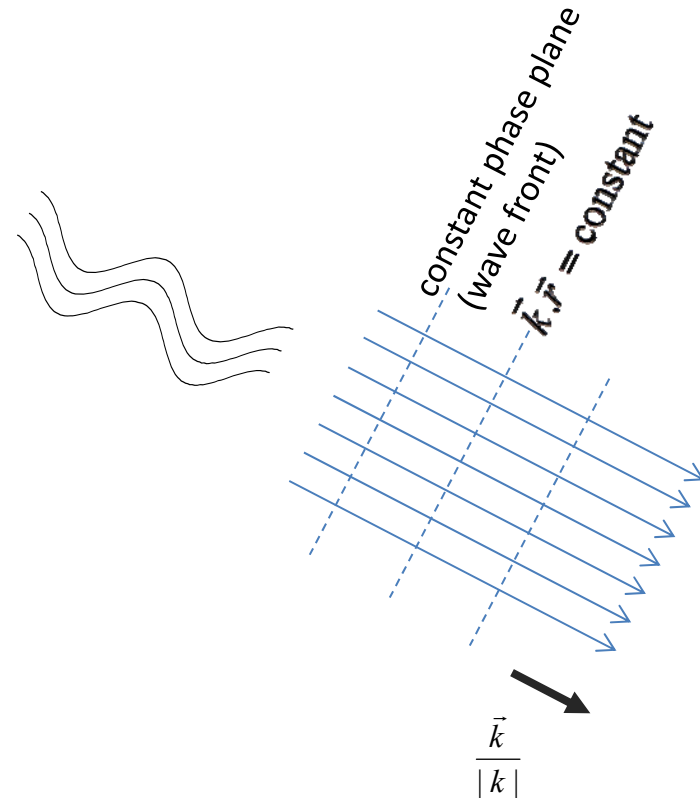
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wave number



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Magnetic permeability

$$\mu = \mu_r \mu_0$$

Relative permeability

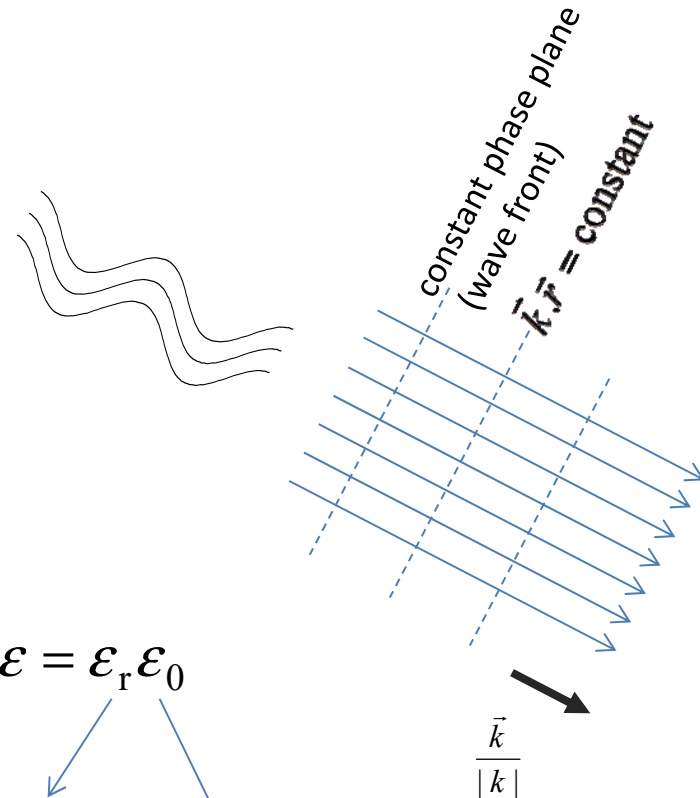
Magnetic permeability of vacuum

Electric permittivity

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_r \epsilon_0$$

Relative permittivity

Electric permittivity of vacuum



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constant phase plane  
(cont)  
instant

Most substances are dielectrics with no magnetic properties:

$$\mu_r = 1$$

$$\epsilon_r \geq 1$$

Magnetic permeability

$$\mu = \mu_r \mu_0$$

Relative permeability

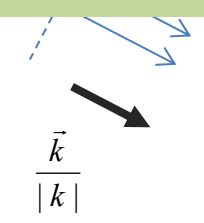
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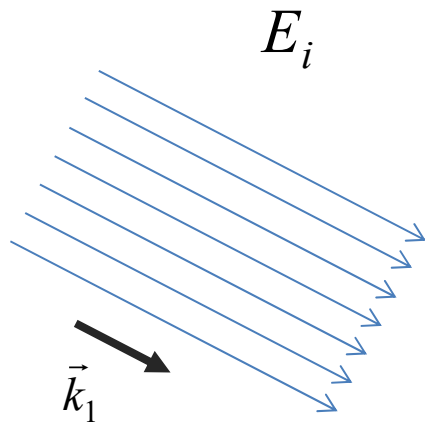
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# Reflection

- What happens at intersect of different environments?

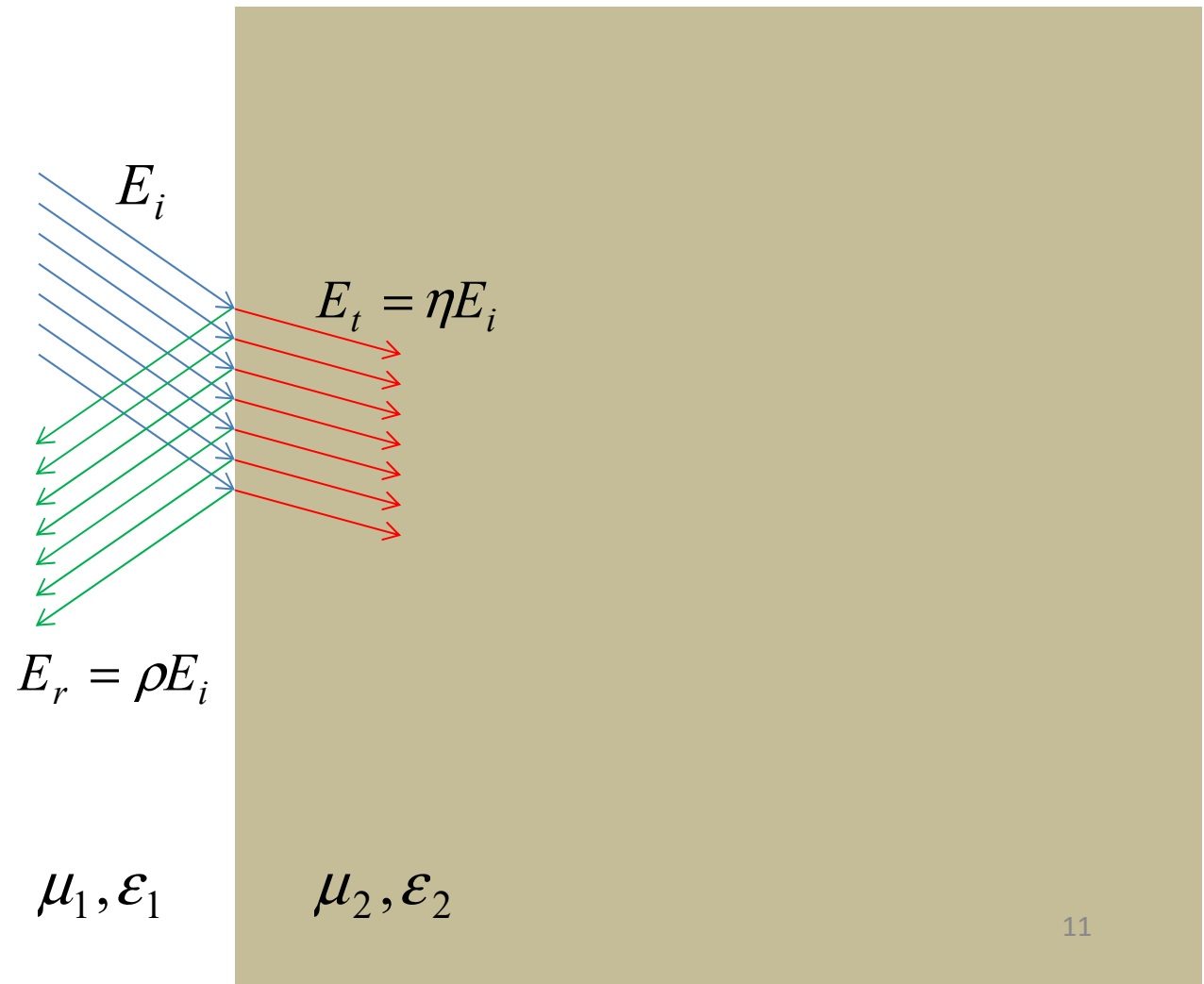


$\mu_1, \epsilon_1$

$\mu_2, \epsilon_2$

# Reflection

- Specular reflection (like from a mirror)



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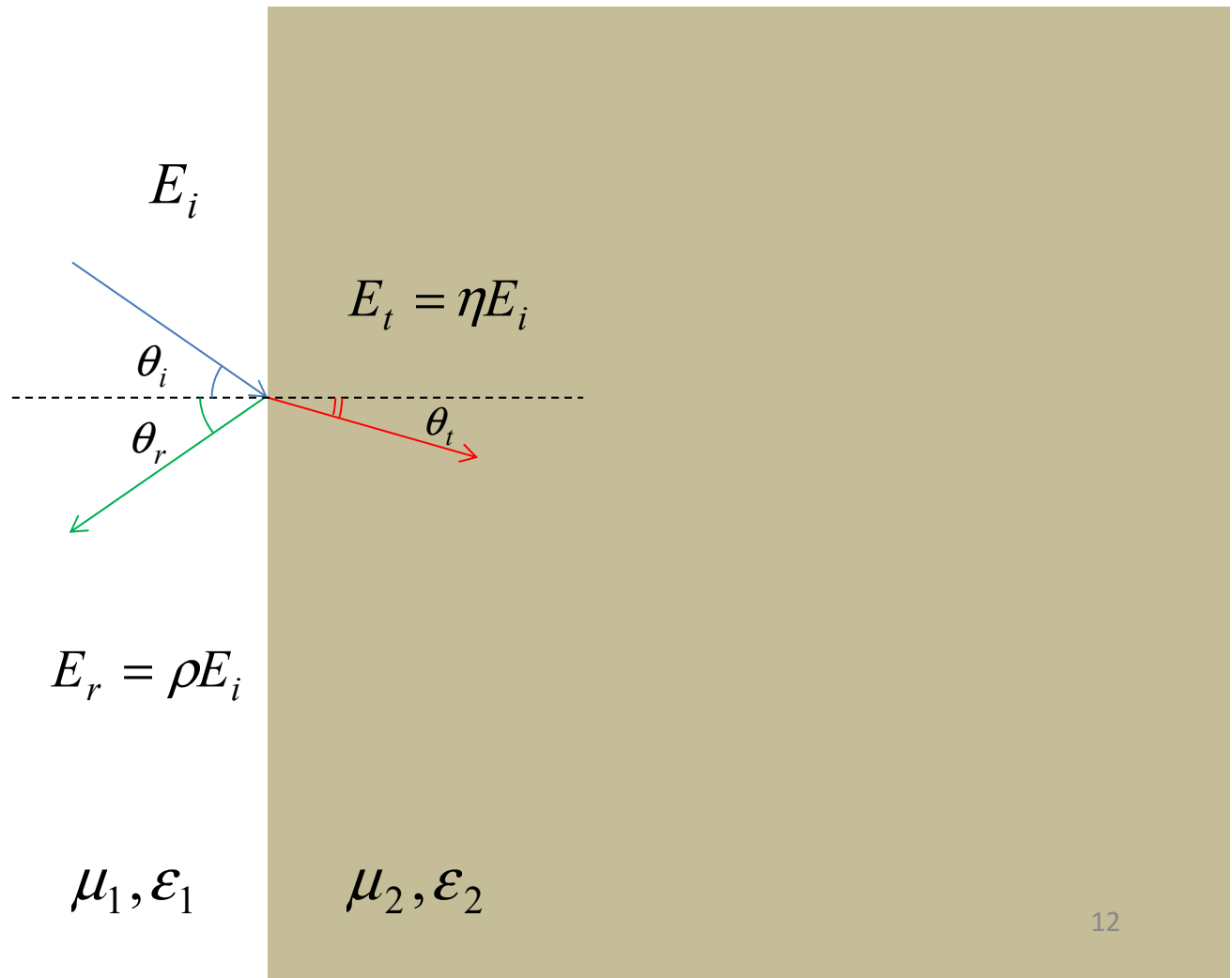
- Plane wave reflection and transition: Snell's law

$$\theta_r = \theta_i$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta_i}{v_1} = \frac{\sin \theta_t}{v_2}$$

$$v = \frac{c}{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}}$$

Speed of light in substance



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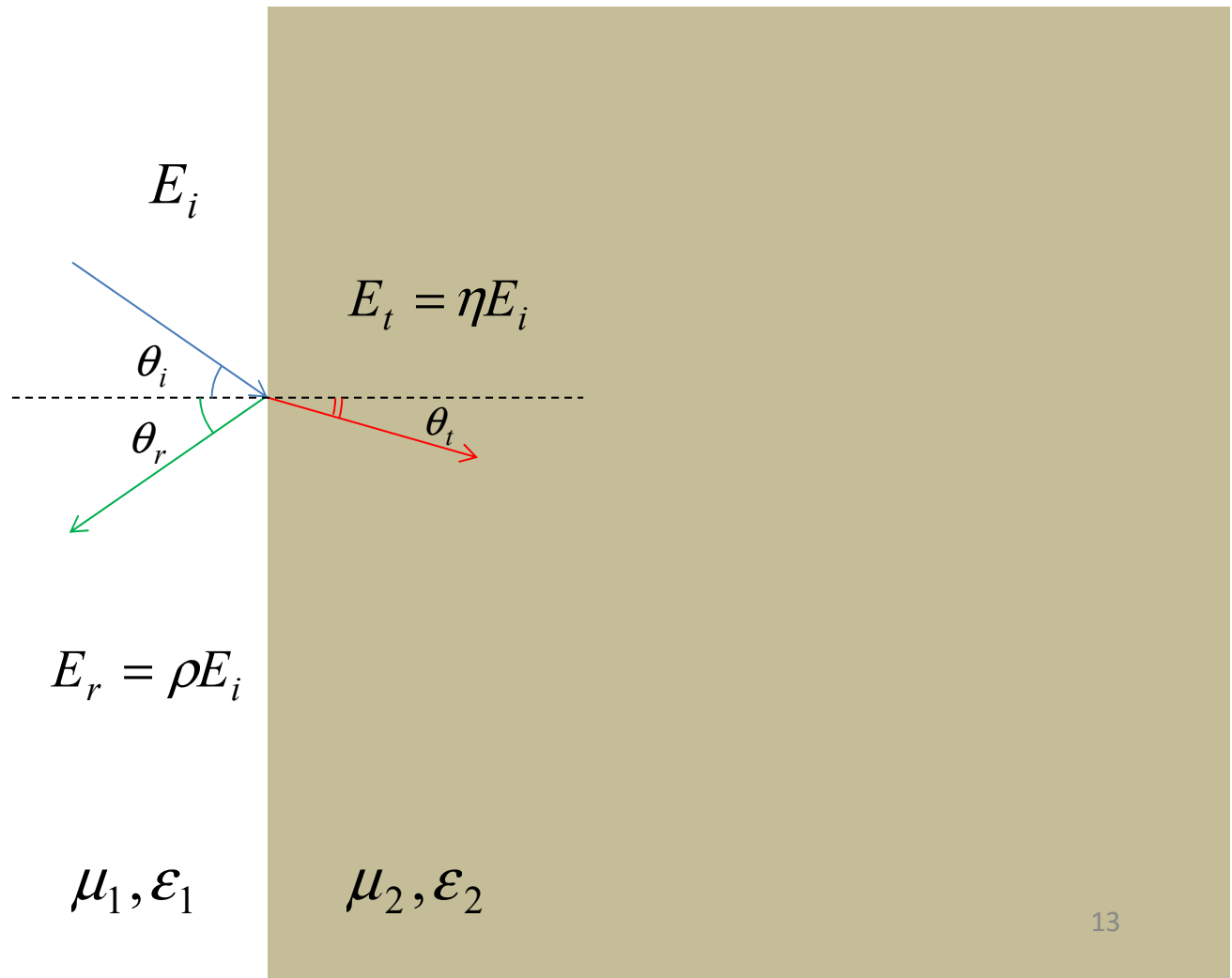
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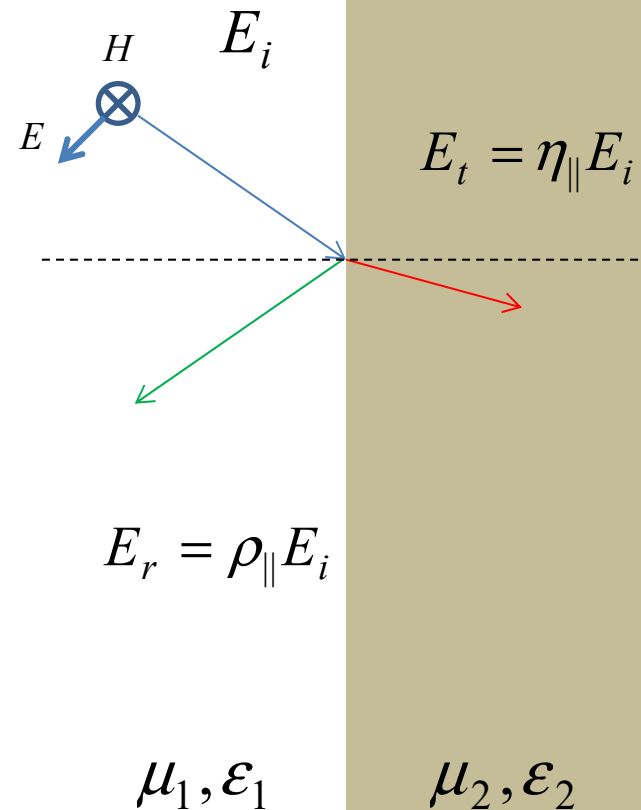


# Reflection

- Wave propagation: electric field vector, magnetic field vector, and direction of propagation are perpendicular to each other and form a right corner

Two possible polarizations:

Parallel polarization ( $\parallel$ )

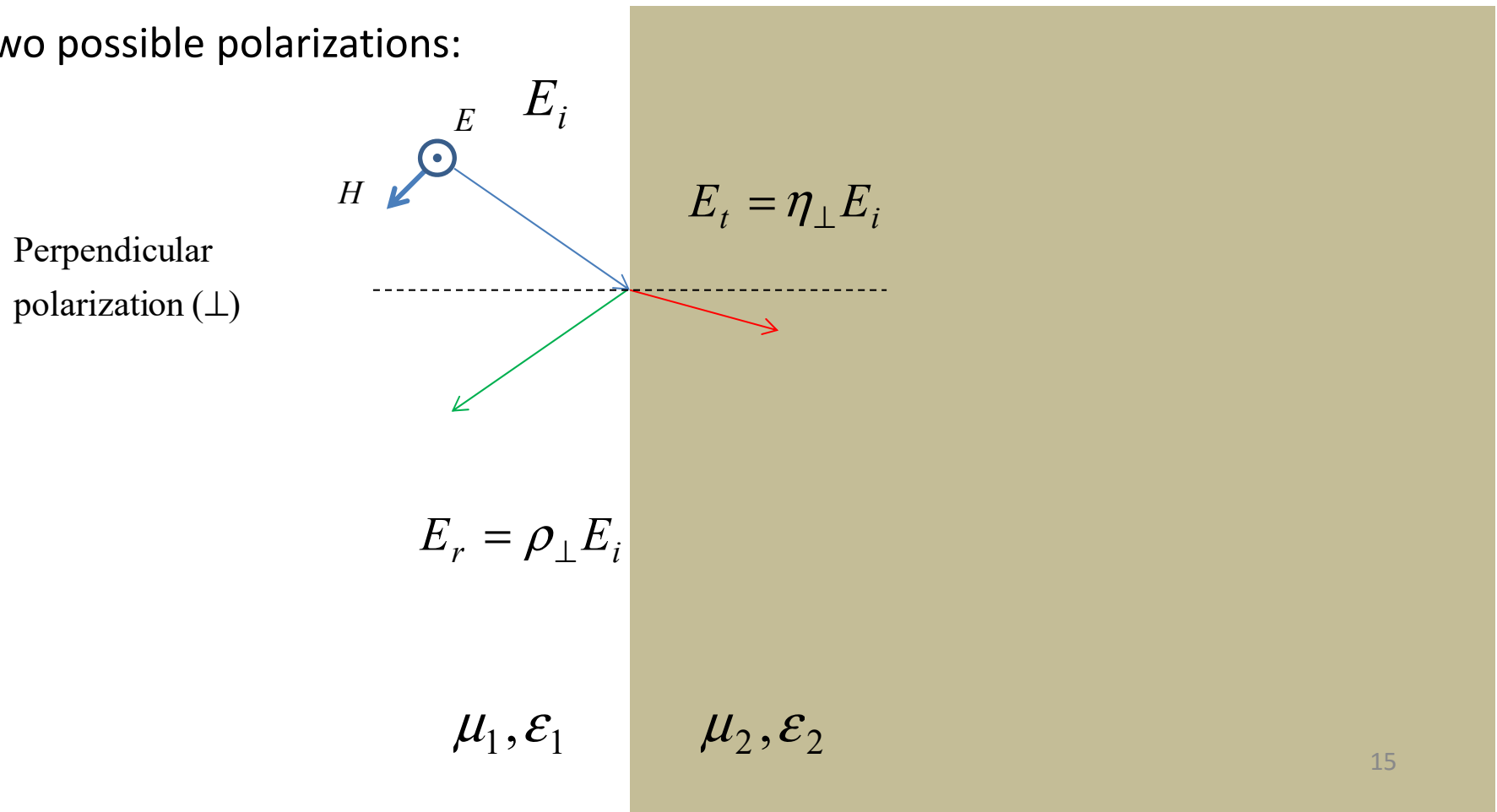




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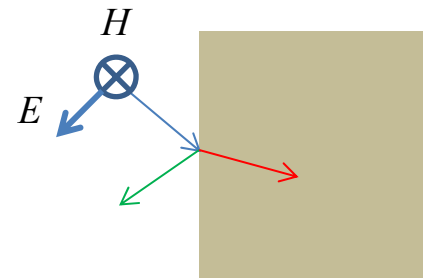
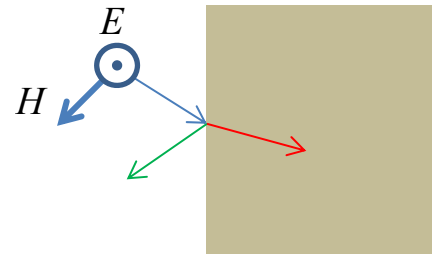
# Reflection

- Reflection loss of plane wave

Fresnel formula derived from Maxwell's equations

$$\rho_{\perp} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}} \cos \theta_i - \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}} \cos \theta_t}{\sqrt{\frac{\mu_2}{\epsilon_2}} \cos \theta_i + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_1}{\epsilon_1}} \cos \theta_t}$$

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Note: for normal surfaces **perpendicular** reflection coefficient is negative


$$\epsilon_2 > \epsilon_1, \quad \mu_2 = \mu_1 = \mu_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \theta_t < \theta_i \Rightarrow \cos(\theta_t) > \cos(\theta_i) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_2}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_1}} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \boxed{\rho_{\perp} < 0}$$

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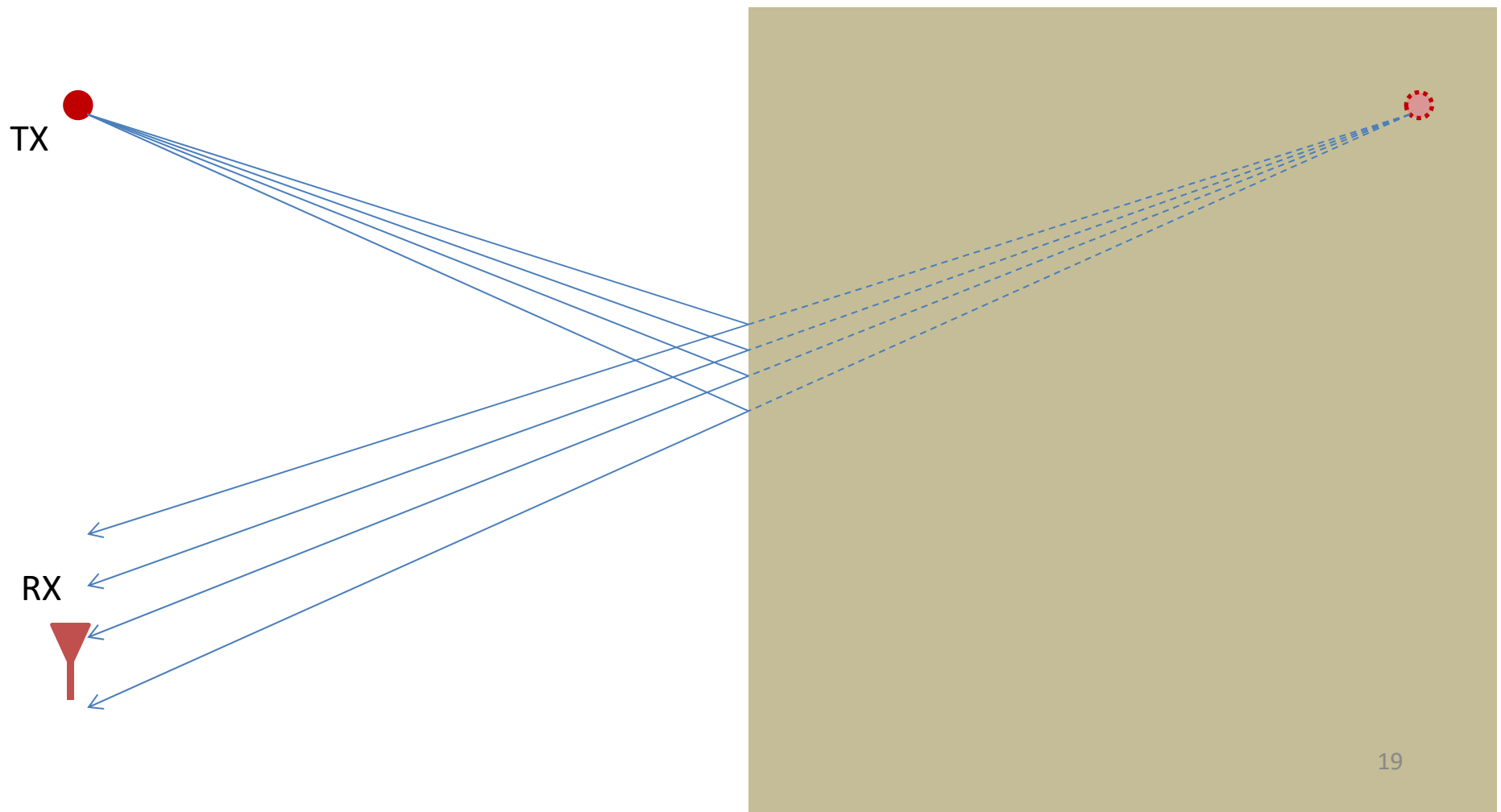
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and for **parallel** reflection we have:

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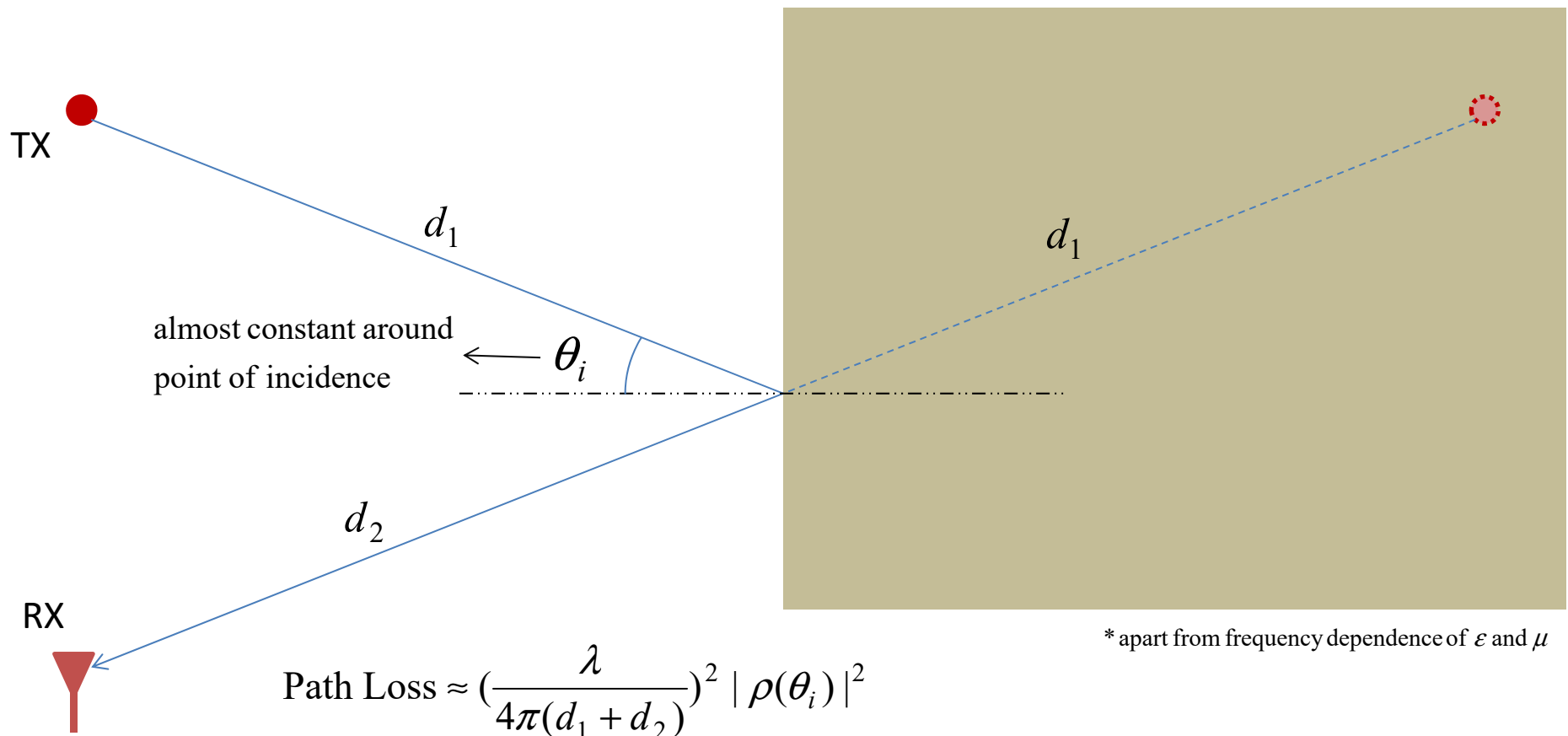
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\* apart from frequency dependence of  $\epsilon$  and  $\mu$

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$$\text{Excess Loss} \approx |\rho(\theta_i)|^2 \Rightarrow \text{independent of frequency}^*$$

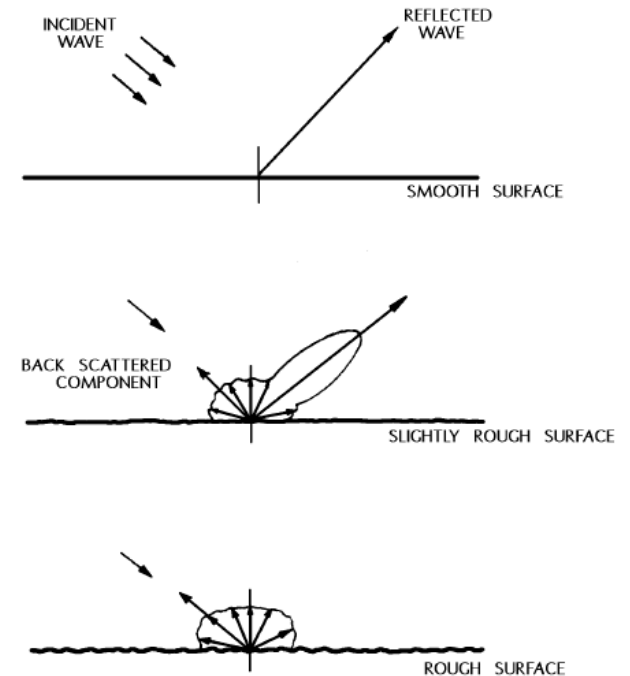
# Reflection

- Reflection from **rough** surfaces:  
part of wave energy is **scattered**

$$\text{Path Loss} \approx \left(\frac{\lambda}{4\pi(d_1 + d_2)}\right)^2 |\rho(\theta_i)|^2 \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{4\pi h_s \cos \theta_i}{\lambda}\right)^2\right)$$

$h_s$  = std deviation of surface height \*

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⇒ Higher loss at higher frequencies (exponential)  
(surfaces are *rougher* at shorter wavelengths)

\* assuming Gaussian distribution of surface heights without sharp edge and shadowing effects

# Reflection

- Surface roughness std deviation varies from 0 (e.g. glass) to a few mm
- At low frequencies ( $f < 6$  GHz,  $\lambda > 5$  cm) most surfaces are smooth

$$h_s < 2 \text{ mm}, \lambda > 5 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow \exp\left(-8\left(\frac{\pi h_s \cos \theta_i}{\lambda}\right)^2\right) \geq 0.88$$

roughness loss  $\leq 0.55$  dB

- At 60 GHz a surface with 0.6 mm roughness causes 5 dB of excess loss

$$h_s = 0.6 \text{ mm}, \lambda = 5 \text{ mm} \Rightarrow \exp\left(-8\left(\frac{\pi h_s \cos \theta_i}{\lambda}\right)^2\right) = 0.32$$

roughness loss = 4.95 dB

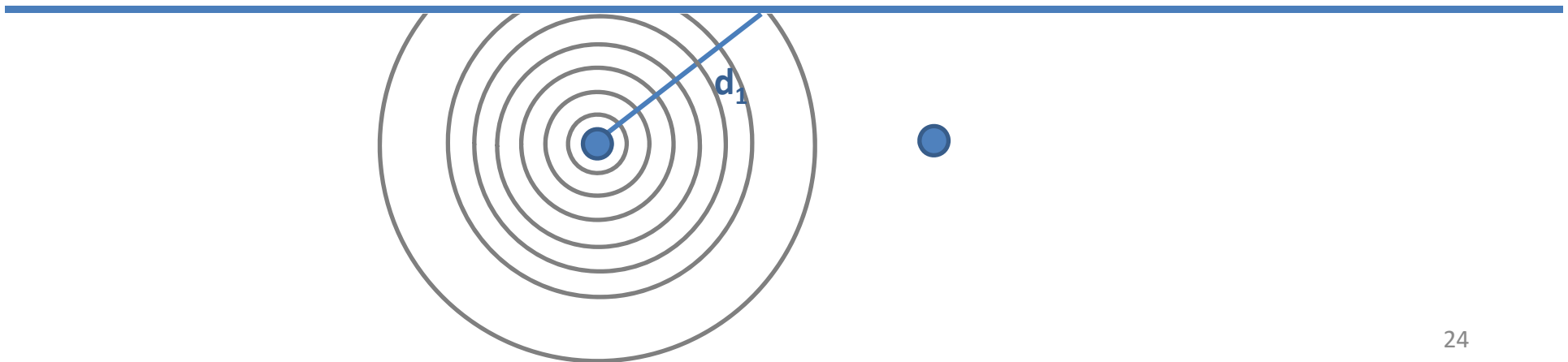


# Scattering and diffraction

- Wave incident to irregular surfaces are scattered, e.g. objects with sharp edges (diffraction) or curvatures of radius smaller than or in order of wavelength
- One example is reflection from rough surface – part of wave power is scattered
- Scattered waves from finite objects can be modeled as fields caused by excited currents on surface of object  
⇒ **modeled by secondary sources**
- Fundamental difference with *specular reflection*: two independent expansions of wavefront

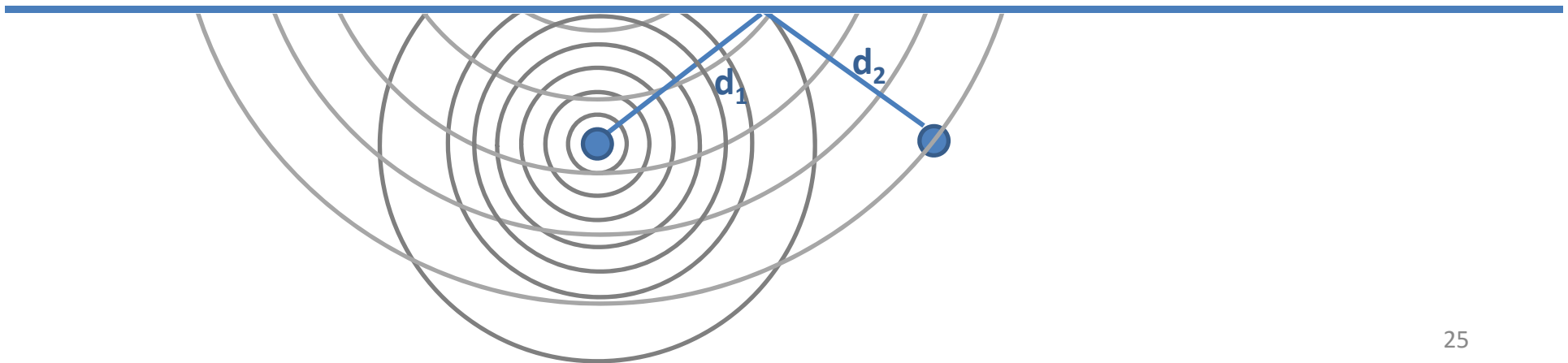
# Scattering and diffraction

- For comparison: consider reflection



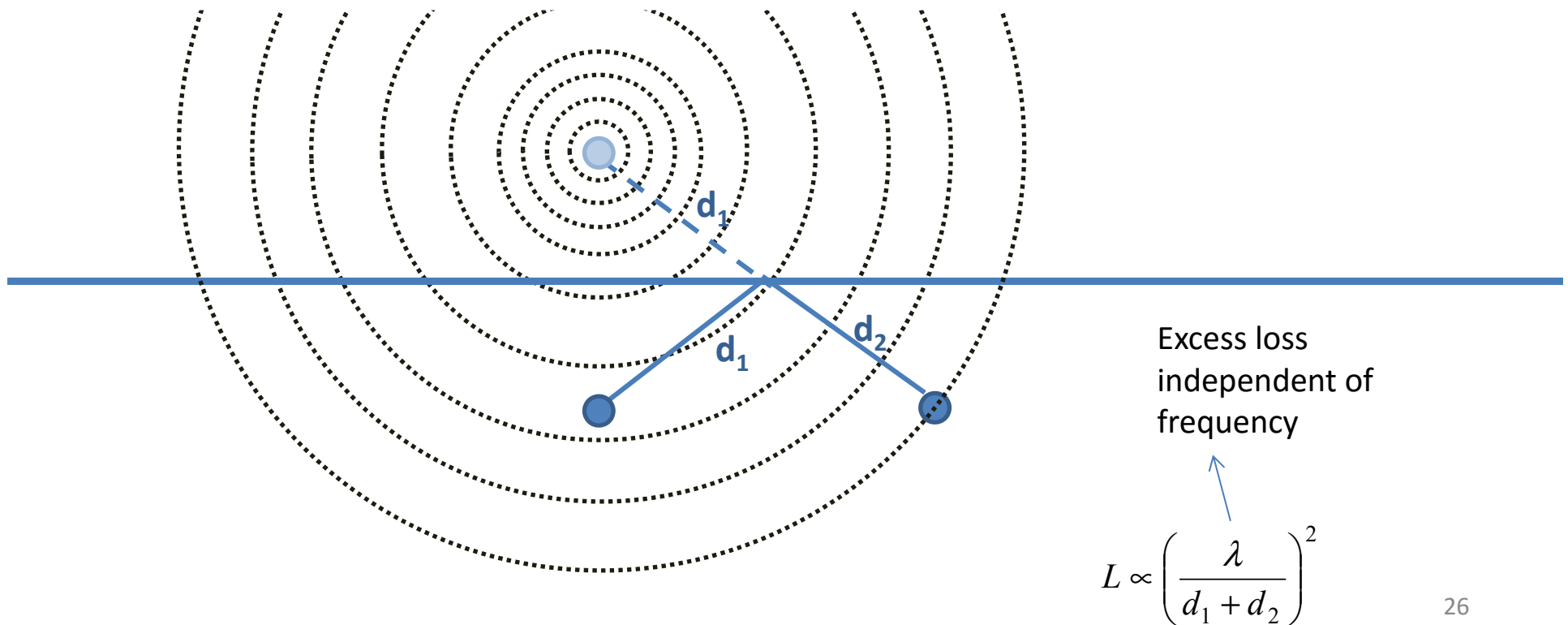
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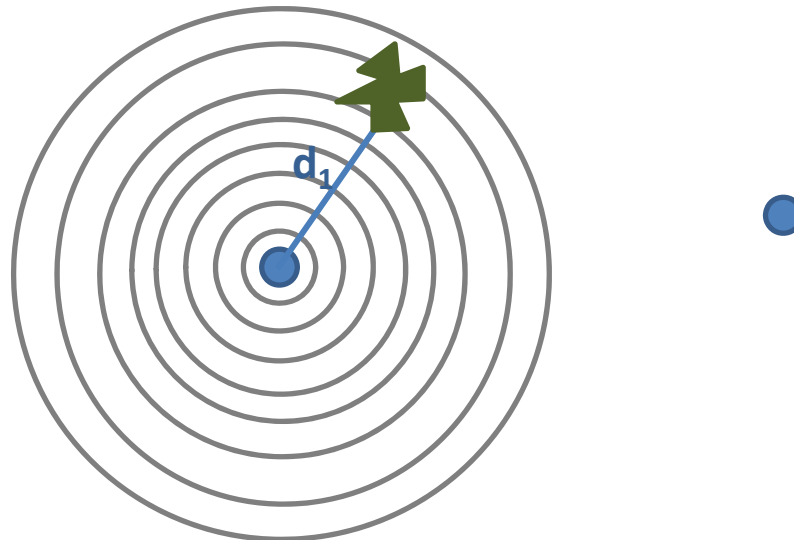
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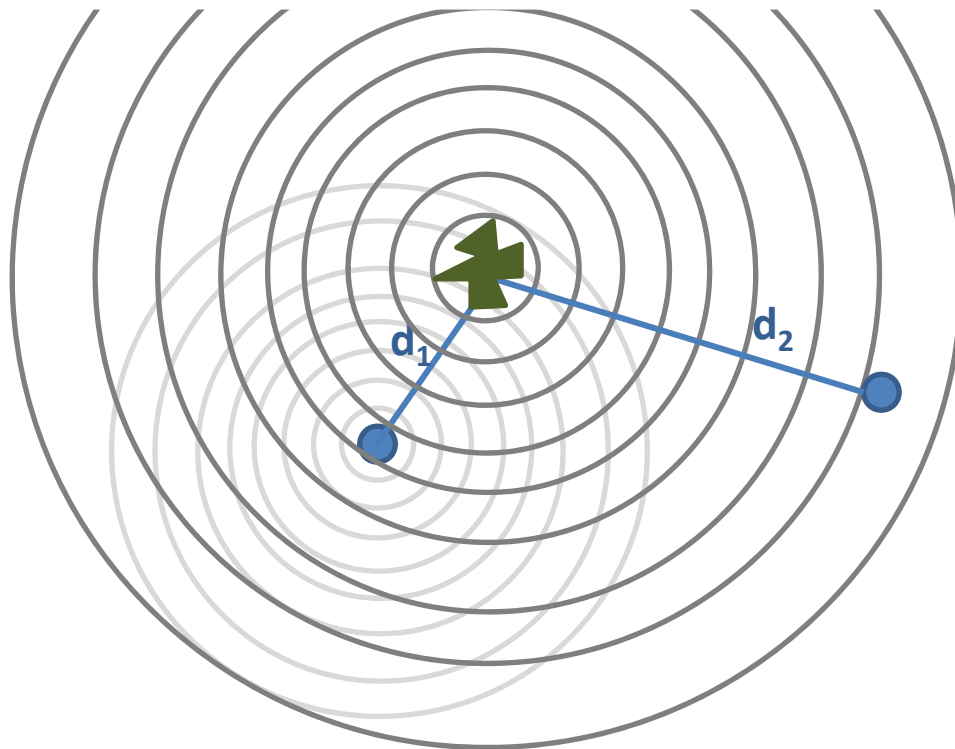
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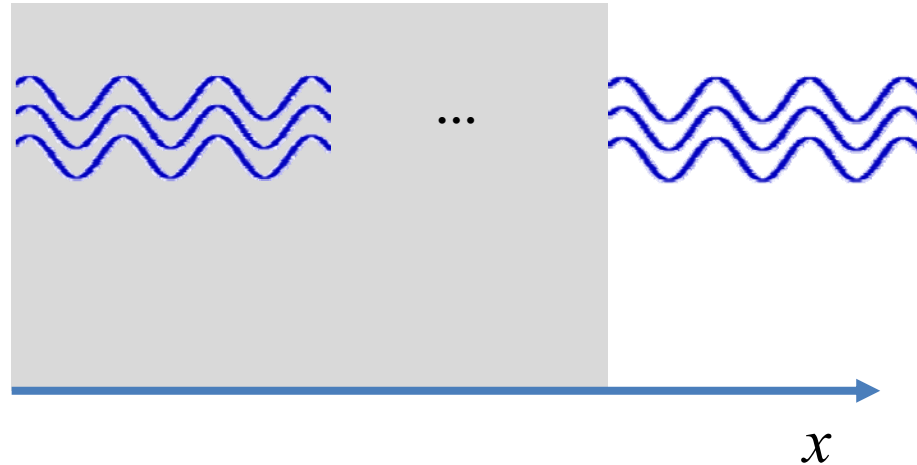
- Scattering involves a finite object being illuminated by original source
- Power captured by object is radiated in a second expansion



Excess loss  
proportional to  
squared frequency

$$L \propto \left(\frac{\lambda}{d_1}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\lambda}{d_2}\right)^2$$

# Propagation through dielectrics



$$E(x) = E_0 e^{-jkx}$$

$$k = 2\pi f \sqrt{\mu\epsilon} \quad \epsilon = \epsilon' - j\epsilon'' \quad (\epsilon'' \ll \epsilon')^*$$

$$k \approx 2\pi f \sqrt{\mu\epsilon'} \left(1 - j \frac{\epsilon''}{2\epsilon'}\right)$$

Phase change      Attenuation

$$P(x)/P_0 = |E(x)/E_0|^2 \approx \exp\left(-2\pi f \sqrt{\mu\epsilon'} \frac{\epsilon''}{\epsilon'} x\right)$$

⇒ Penetration loss increases exponentially with depth **and frequency**

\* for substances with conductivity  $\sigma$ , effectively  $\epsilon = \epsilon' - j\epsilon'' - j \frac{\sigma}{2\pi f}$

# Propagation through dielectrics

- Dielectric loss is result of resonance of particles with electromagnetic field – varies with frequency
- Oxygen absorption (e.g. at 60 GHz) result of such resonance
- Exponential decay with distance

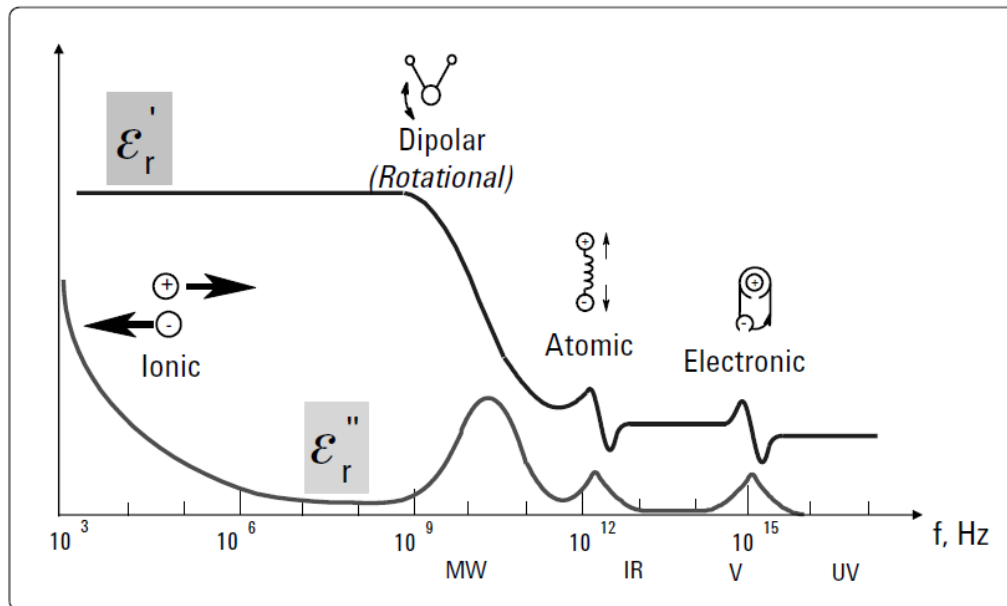


Figure 7. Frequency response of dielectric mechanisms



# Propagation through dielectrics

Example: relative permittivity of concrete

@ 5 GHz:  $\epsilon_r = 4.8 - j0.6$

@ 60 GHz:  $\epsilon_r = 3.3 - j0.38$

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@ 60 GHz:  $\text{Loss} = \exp(-2\pi \times 60 \times 10^9 \times 0.33 \times 10^{-8} \times \sqrt{3.3} \times \frac{0.38}{3.3} \times 0.03) = 34 \text{ dB}$

How thick can a slab of concrete be for <10dB attenuation?

@ 5 GHz: 8.04 cm

@ 60 GHz: 8.8 mm

# Blockage

- Signal attenuation due to presence of obstacle in signal path
- Blockage is severe at mmwave frequencies
  - No propagation through obstacles
  - No diffraction around obstacles
- Can also be explained by Huygens' principle
- Objects are bigger at mmwave -- smaller objects can block wave

# Blockage

## Huygens' principle

Each point on a primary wavefront can be considered to be a new source of a secondary spherical wave, and a secondary wavefront can be constructed as the envelope of these secondary spherical waves

⇒ Received signal is the superposition of secondary sources that are not within the obstacles

# Huygens' principle

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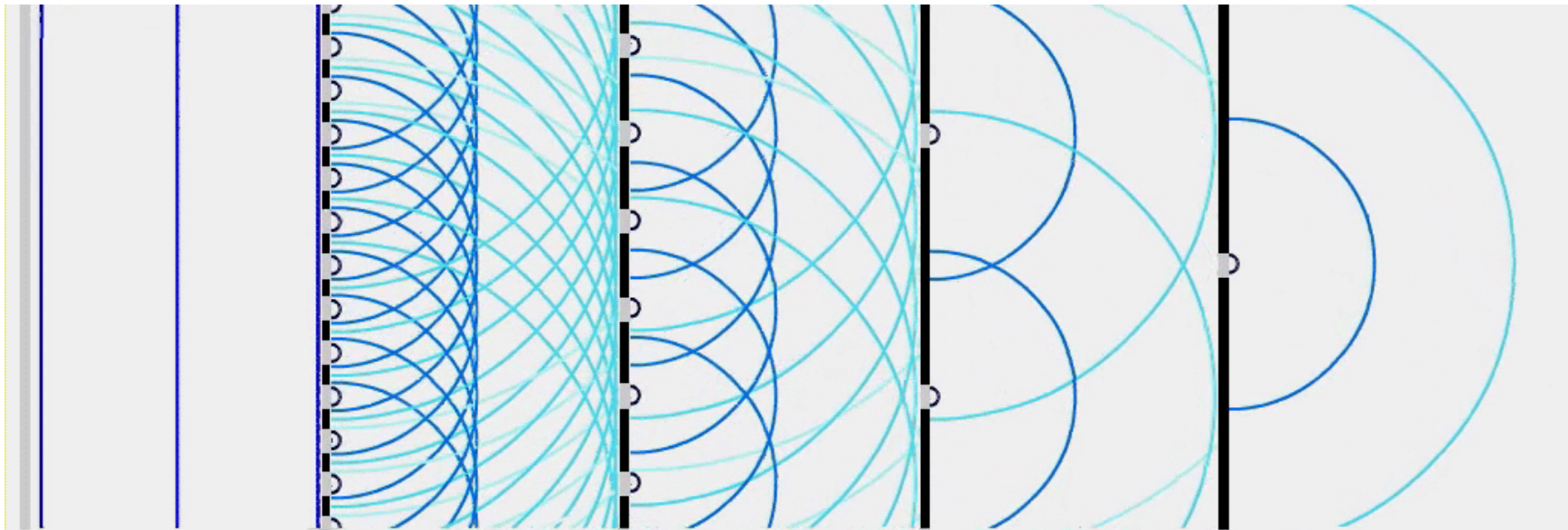


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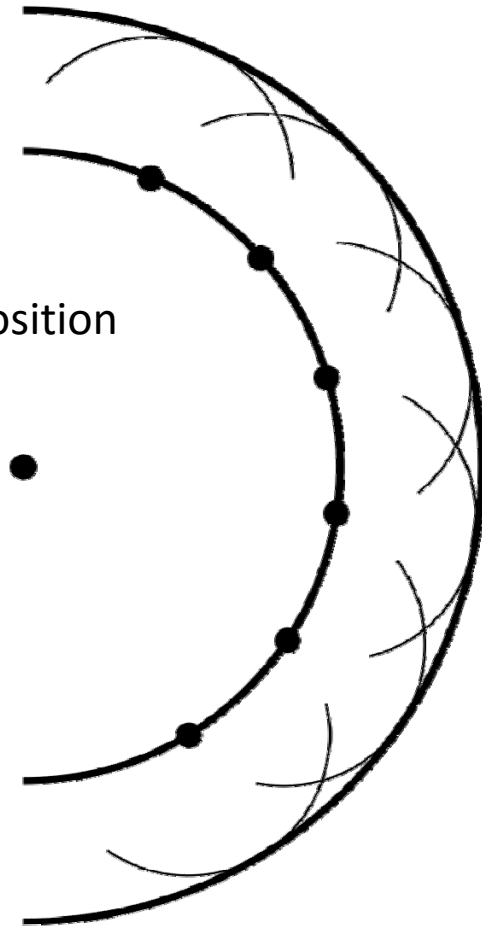
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Maryam Rasekh, 06-06-2016

# Huygens' principle

wavefront decomposition  
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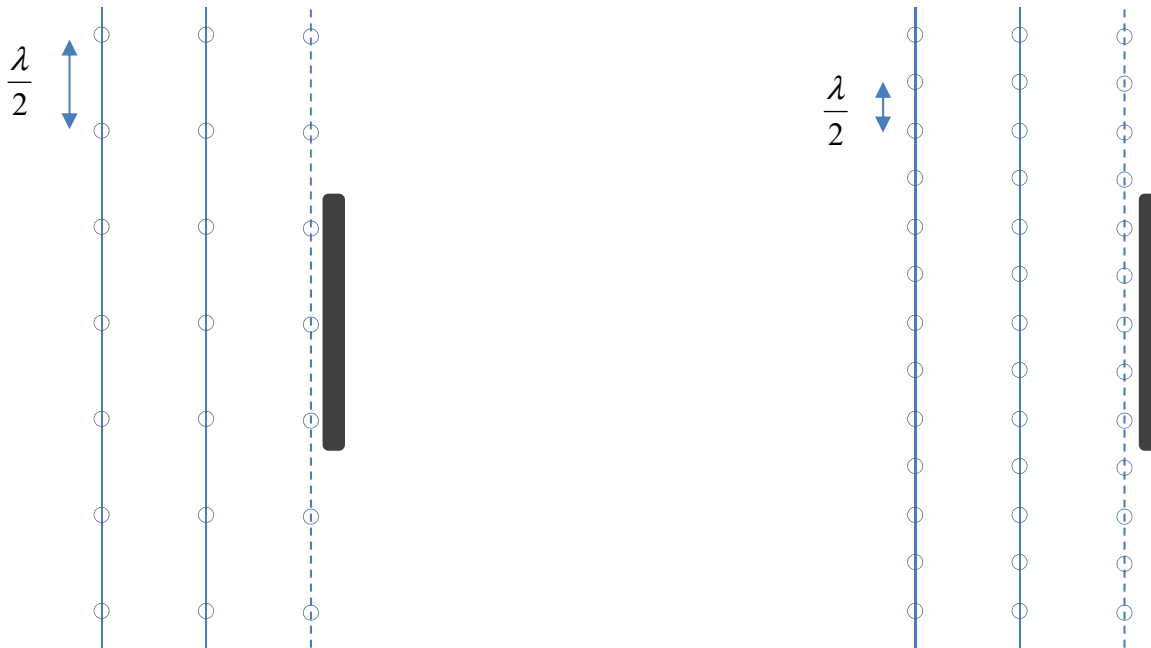


wavefront decomposition  
for plane wave



# Huygens' principle

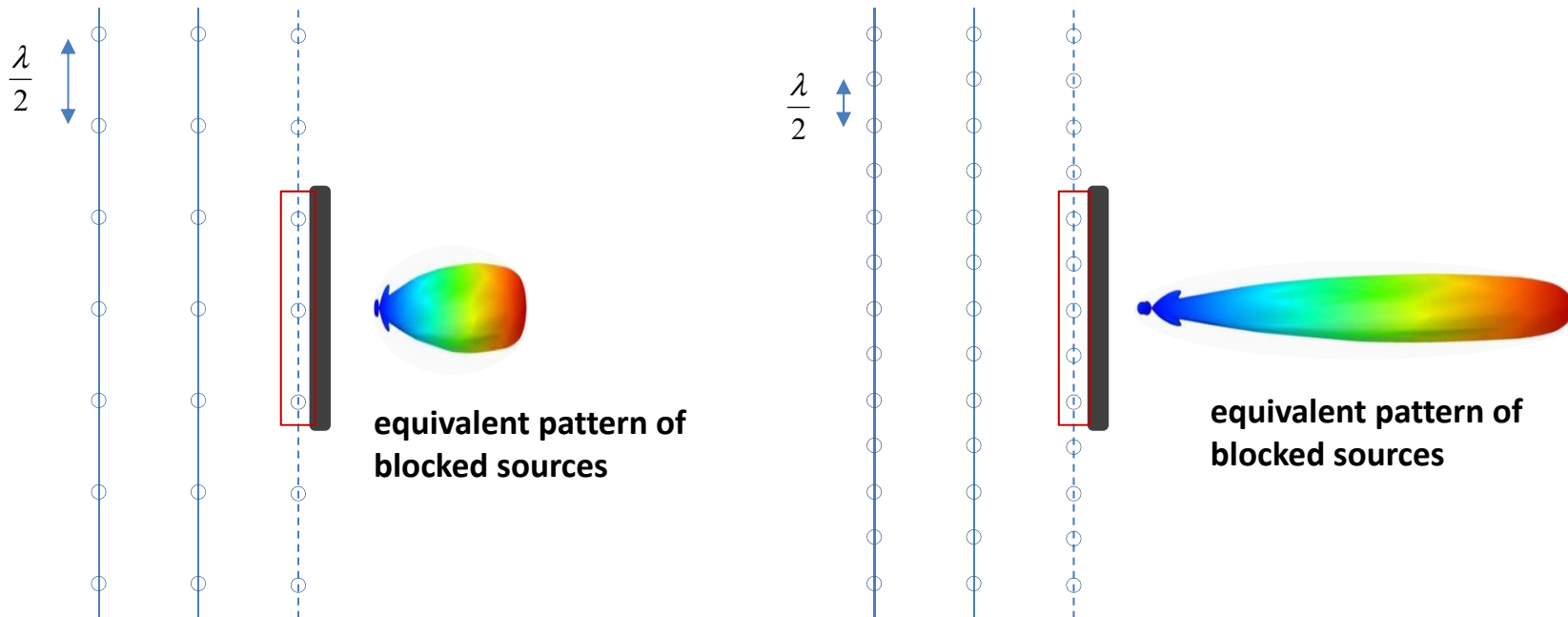
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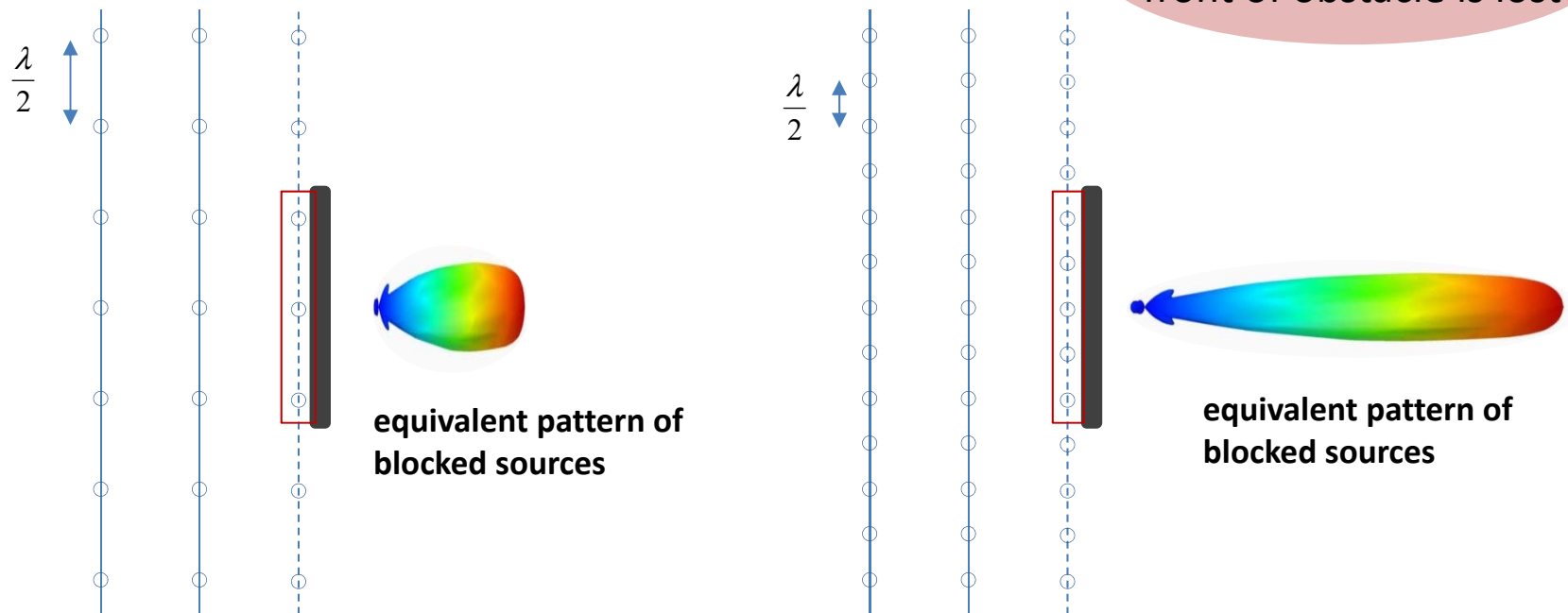
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# Blockage

- When path between TX and RX is blocked by an obstacle, link is diminished – and this can happen a lot
- Require **beam steering** to maintain link through alternate paths – reflections from environment surfaces



# The overall mmwave channel

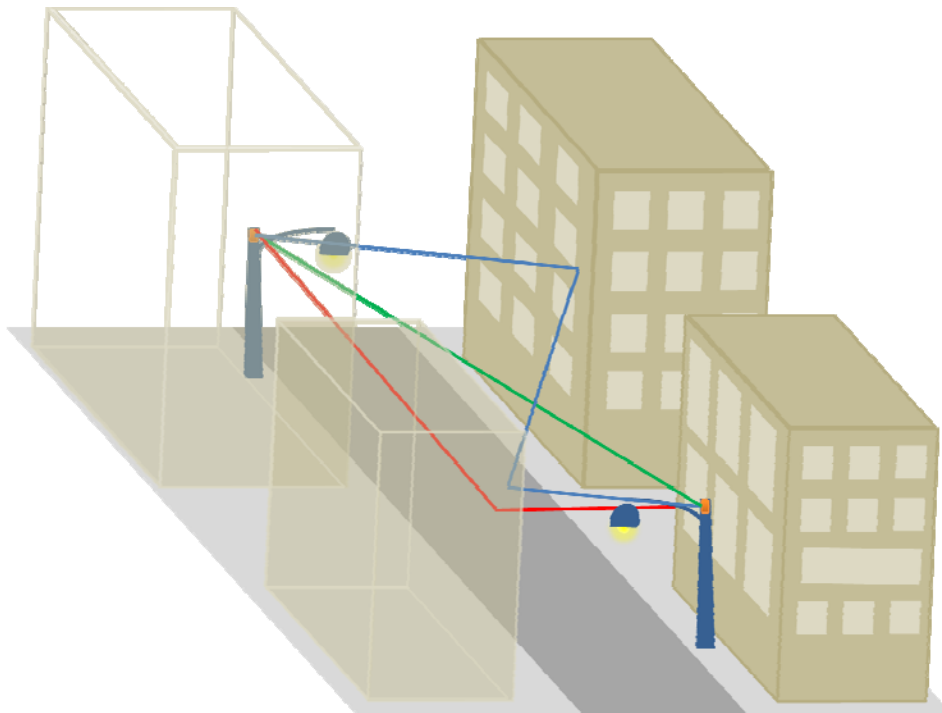
- Mainly free space (unobscured) line of sight and reflection
  - What does this mean for mmwave links..?
- Indoor and mobile scenarios:
  - need for beam steering to deal with blockage
- Outdoor point-to-point links:
  - sparse channel consisting of LOS and reflected paths
  - channel mostly predictable from geometry

# Outdoor point-to-point links

- Consequences of channel sparsity
    - CSI recoverable using faster sparse sensing techniques
    - More deterministic channel model in known environment geometry
- ⇒ Design guidelines for spatial and frequency diversity

# The sparse multipath channel

- Lamp post to lamp post link inside street canyon
- Channel comprised of LOS and reflections from walls and ground – if they fall within antenna beams
- Fading can happen



small

$$h(t) = \sum_{i=1}^M G_i^{(t)} G_i^{(r)} L_i \left( \frac{\lambda}{4\pi D_i} \right)^2 \delta(t - D_i / c)$$

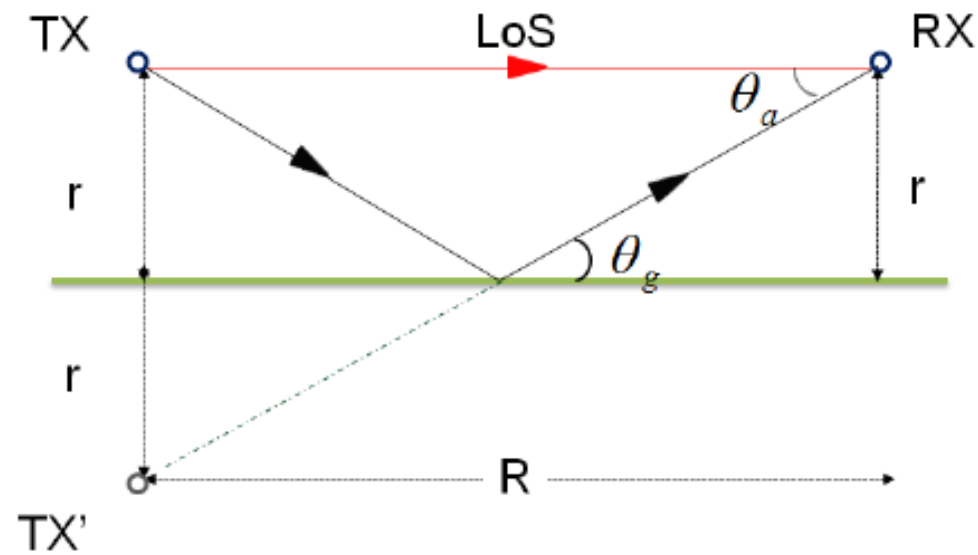
$$H(f) = \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i e^{j2\pi f \tau_i}$$

Antenna beamwidth can include single or double bounce reflections

# Fading in a sparse multipath channel

Most basic case: **2 path channel**

- LOS
- One reflection

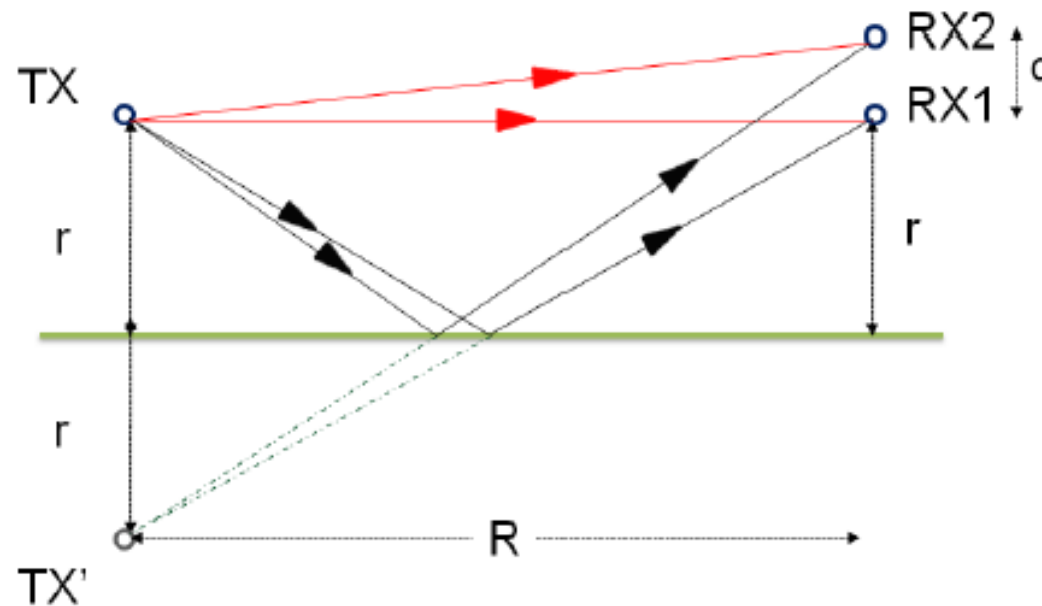


# Fading in a sparse multipath channel

Spatial diversity using 2 receivers

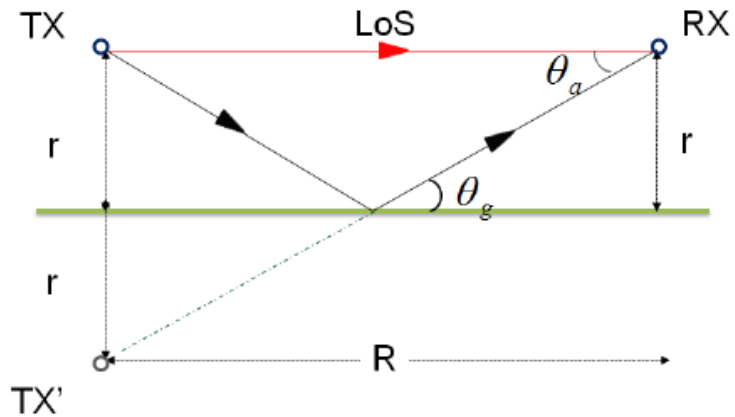
Selection  $\eta = \max(|h_1|^2, |h_2|^2)$

Maximum Ratio Combining  $\eta = |h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2$





# Basic two-ray channel

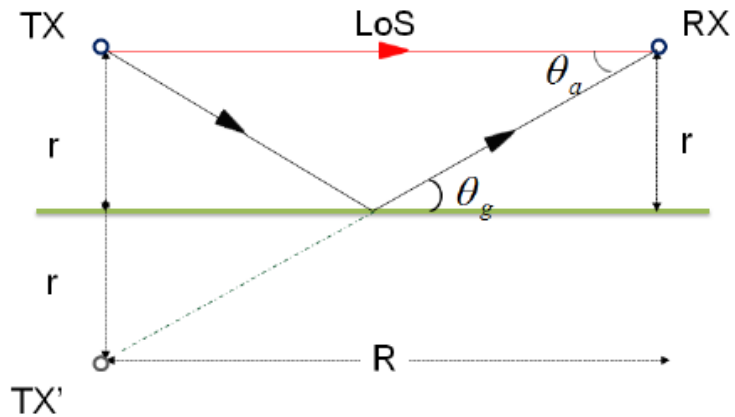


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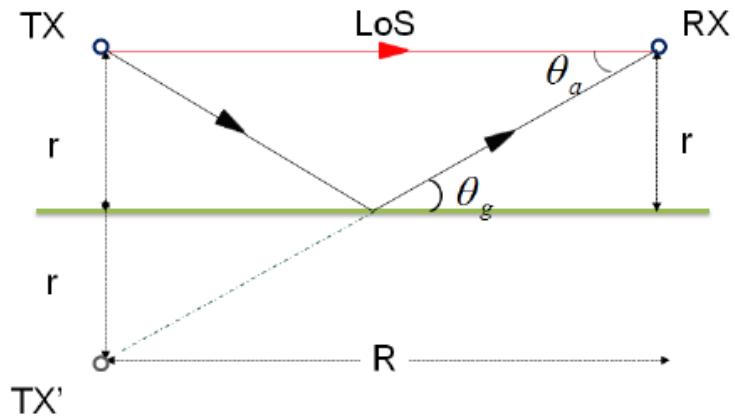
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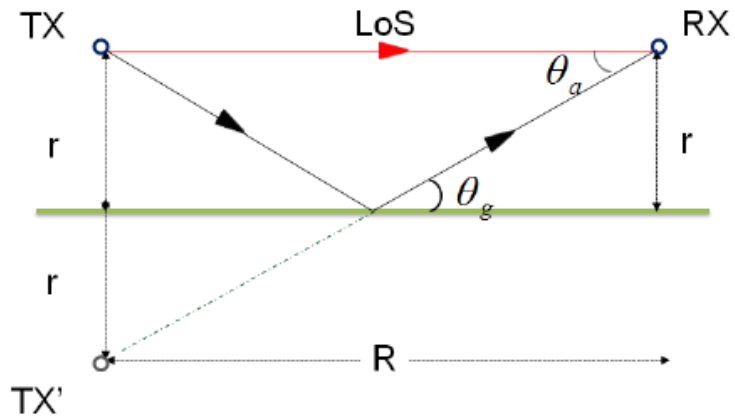
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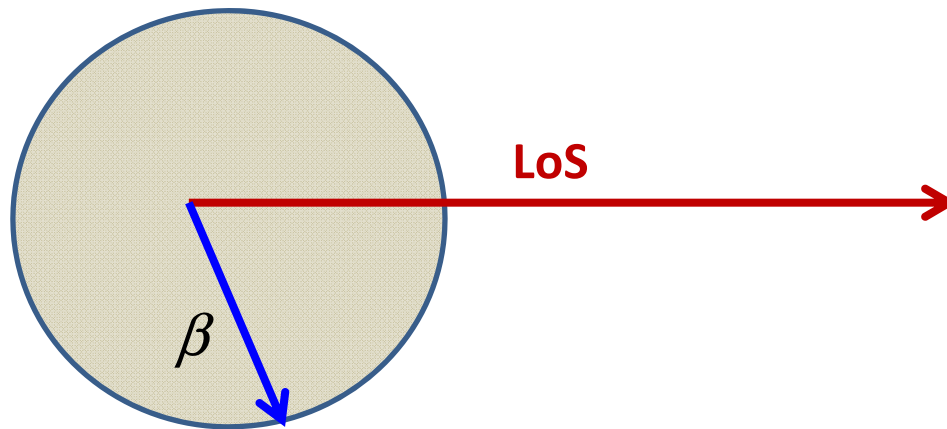


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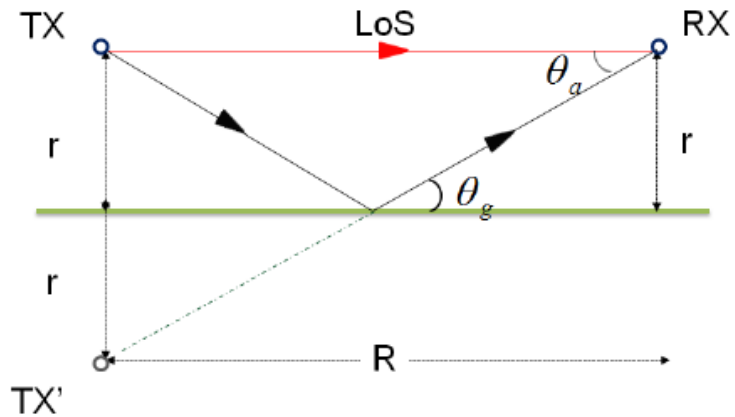
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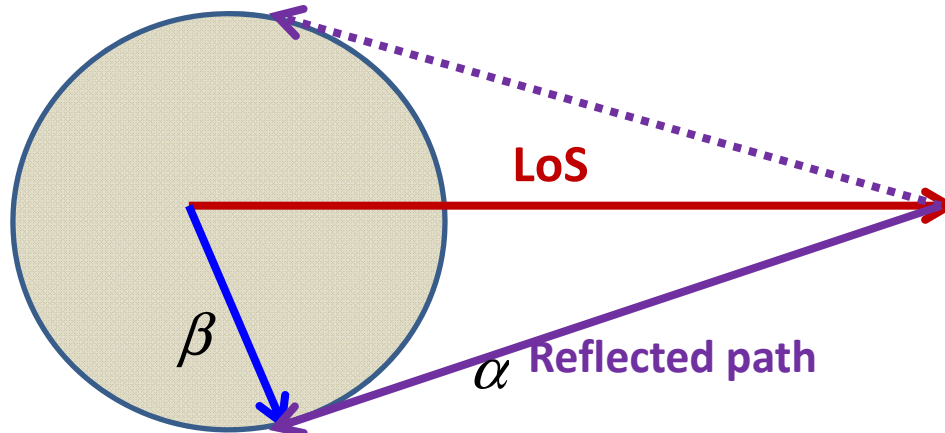


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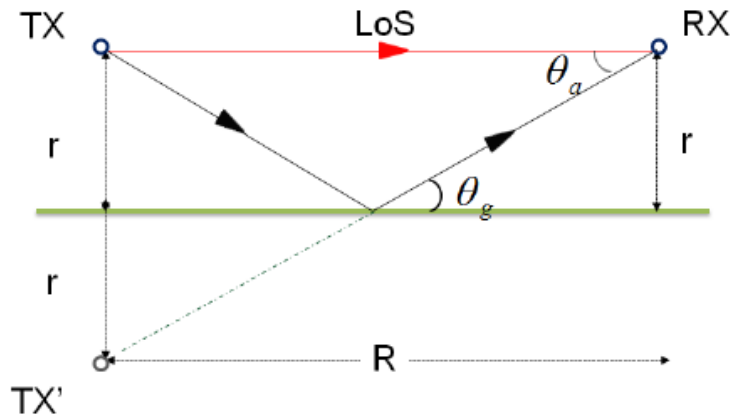
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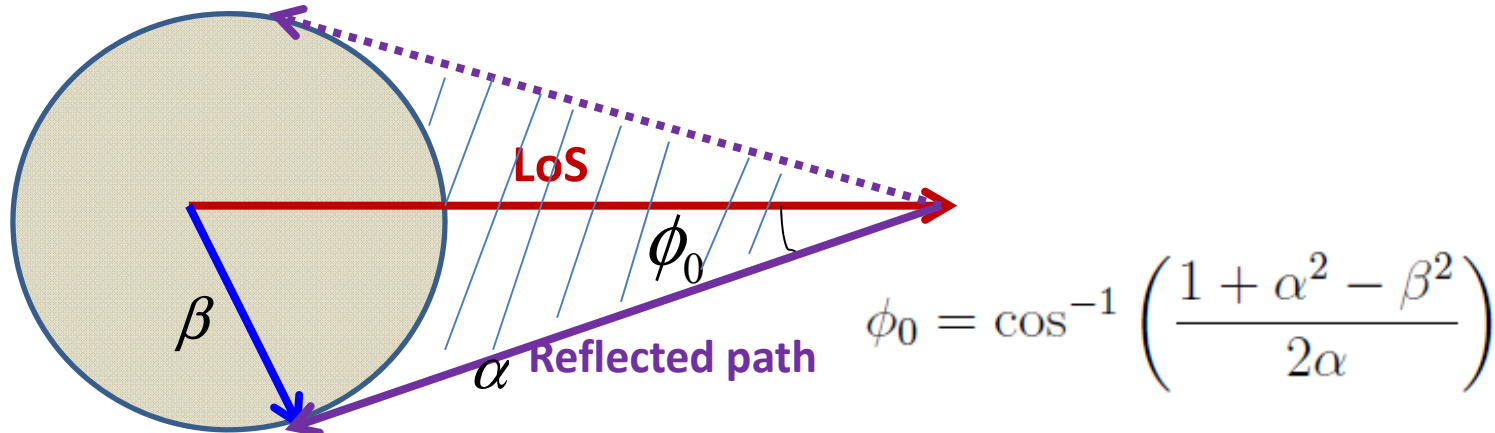


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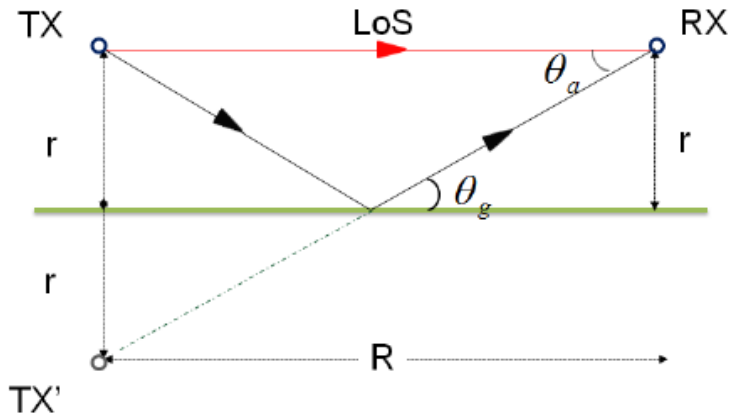
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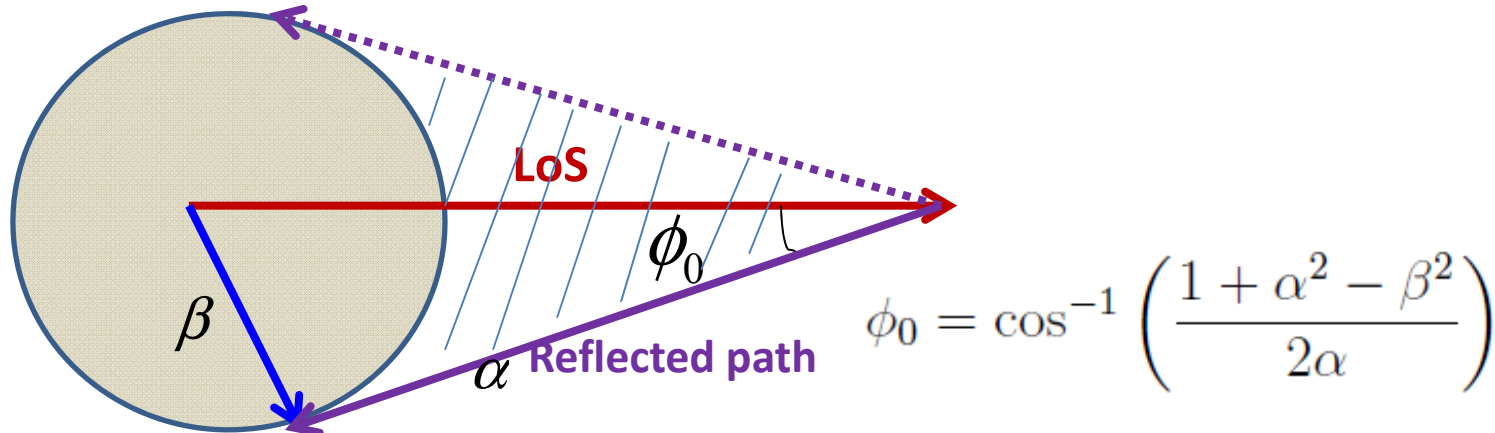


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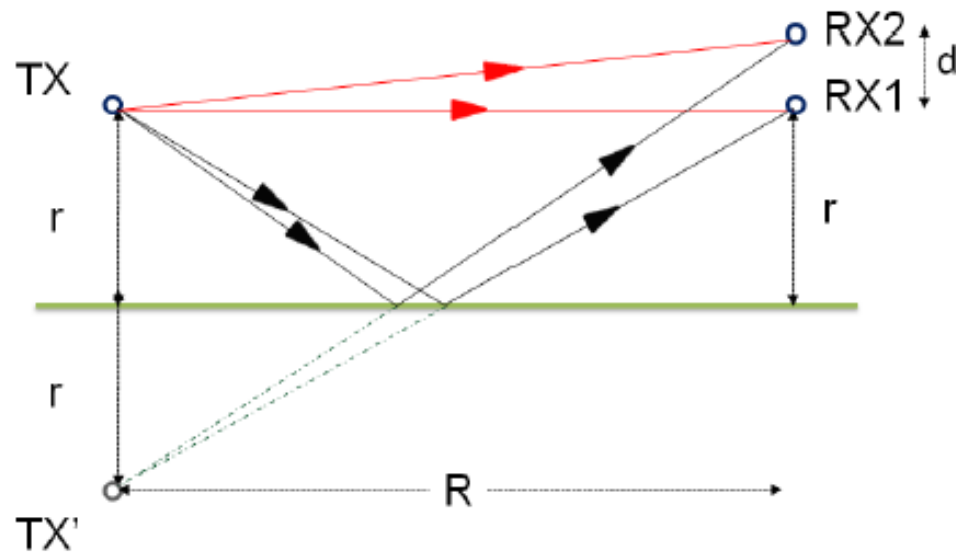


In SISO, the outage probability is:

$$P_{out}(SISO) = \phi_0/\pi$$

For  $\alpha = 1$  and a link margin of **5 dB**,  $P_{out}(SISO) = 0.56/\pi = 18\%$

# Basic two-ray channel



In SIMO system, the relative channel gain:

$$h_1 = 1 - \alpha e^{-j\phi}, \quad h_2 = 1 - \alpha e^{-j(\phi + \gamma)}$$

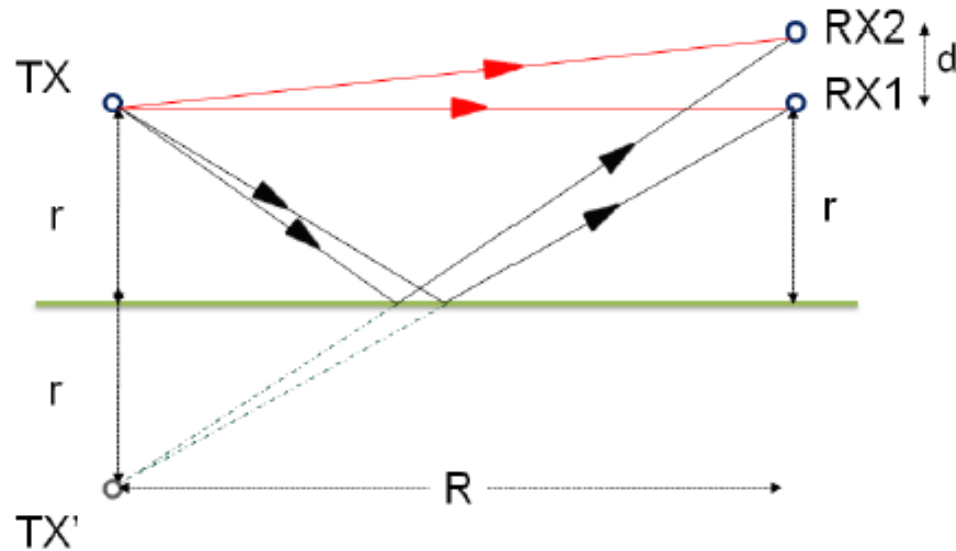
The phase difference is given by:

$$\gamma = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Delta L_{\text{reflected}} \approx \frac{4\pi r d}{R\lambda}$$

$$\Delta L_{\text{reflected}} = \sqrt{R^2 + (2r + d)^2} - \sqrt{R^2 + (2r)^2} \approx \frac{2rd}{R}$$



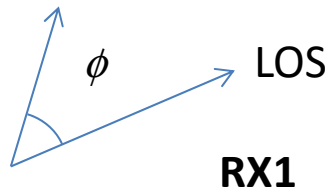
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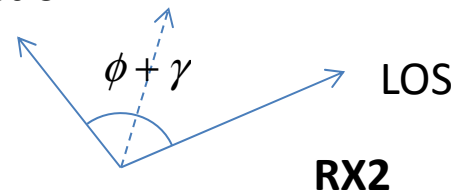
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reflection



**RX1**

reflection



**RX2**

$\gamma = \pi \Rightarrow$  guaranteed constructive combination in at least one path

# Basic two-ray channel

- Robustness

Range of antenna spacing:

$$\frac{\phi_0}{\pi} \frac{R}{2r} \leq \frac{d}{\lambda} \leq \left(1 - \frac{\phi_0}{\pi}\right) \frac{R}{2r}$$

For the selective diversity scheme,  
If one receiver sees a destructive fade,  
the other one is **guaranteed** to see a constructive fade.

Examples of antenna spacing:  $3.71 \leq \frac{d}{\lambda} \leq 16.29$  5 dB link margin

- Displacement  $d$  guarantees  $\beta$  for  $R/r \in \left[ \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda(\pi - \phi_0)}, \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda\phi_0} \right]$
- With  $R/r = \text{fixed}$ ,  $d \in \left[ \frac{\phi_0 \lambda}{2\pi} (R/r), \frac{(\pi - \phi_0) \lambda}{2\pi} (R/r) \right]$  guarantees  $\beta$

# Street canyon channel

- Including **single reflection** rays from walls and ground
- Horizontal and vertical diversity are **independent**

$$\gamma = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \left( \sqrt{R^2 + (2r_w + d_h)^2 + (2r_g + d_v)^2} - \sqrt{R^2 + (2r_w)^2 + (2r_g)^2} \right)$$

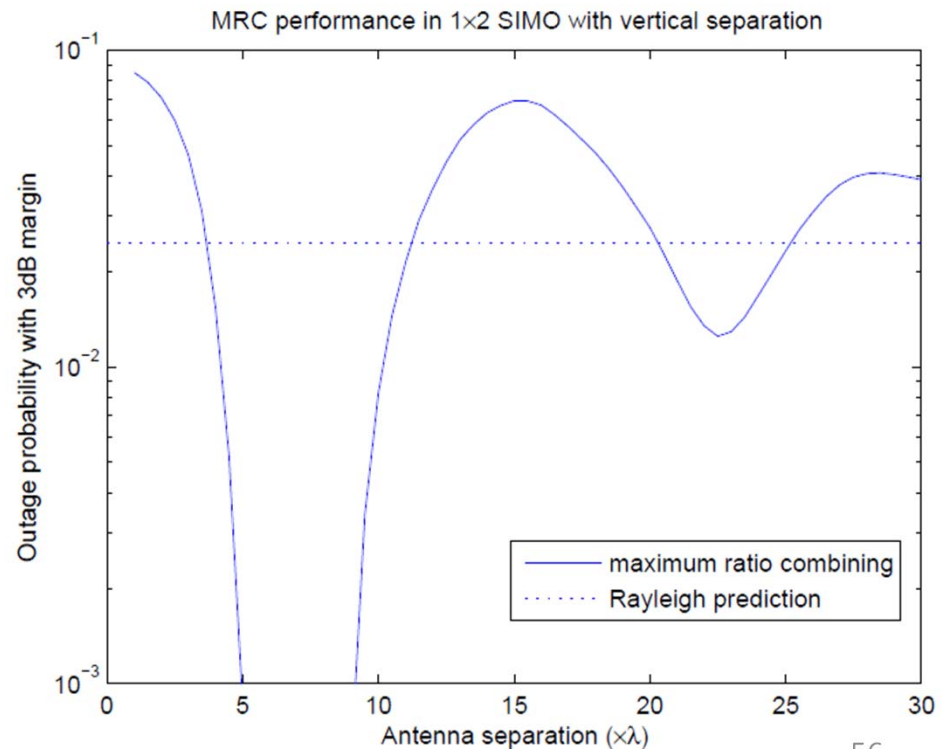
$$\approx \frac{4\pi r_w d_h}{\lambda D} + \frac{4\pi r_g d_v}{\lambda D}$$

⇒ Effective 2-path channel for vertically displaced antennas

Randomized geometry

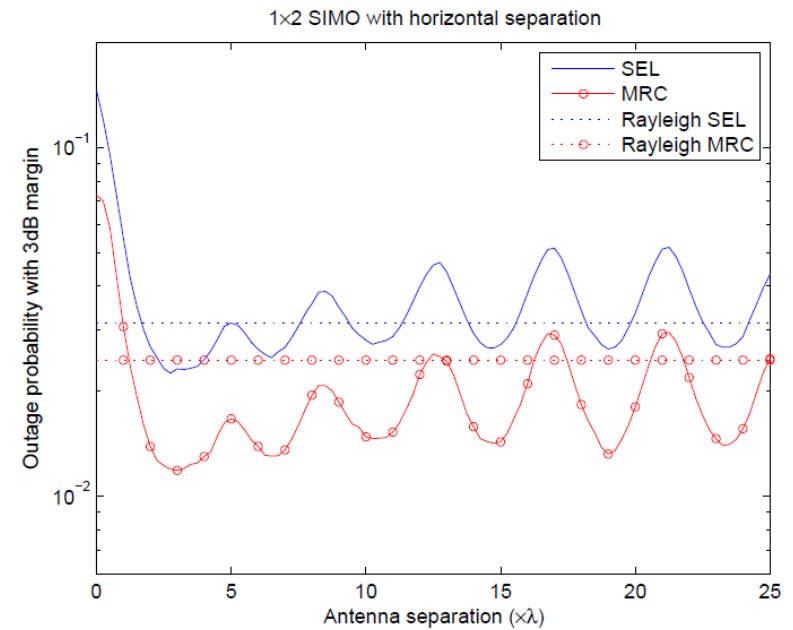
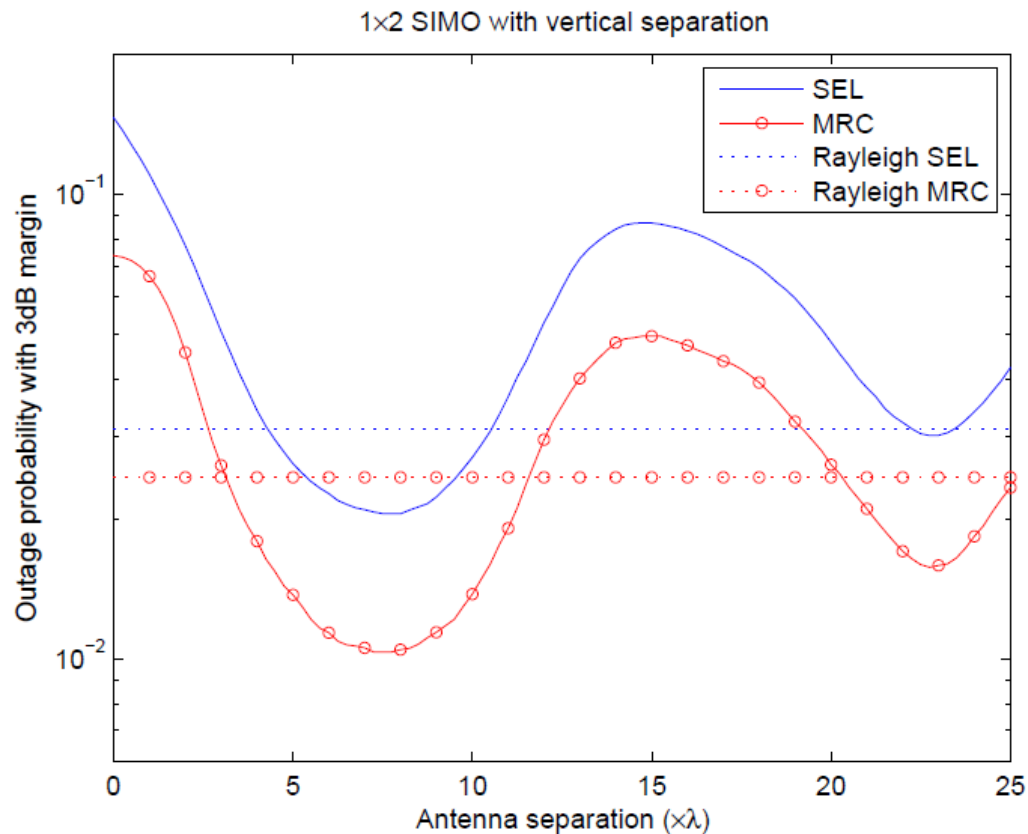
$$r_w \in [4, 20]$$

$$r_g \in [4, 8]$$



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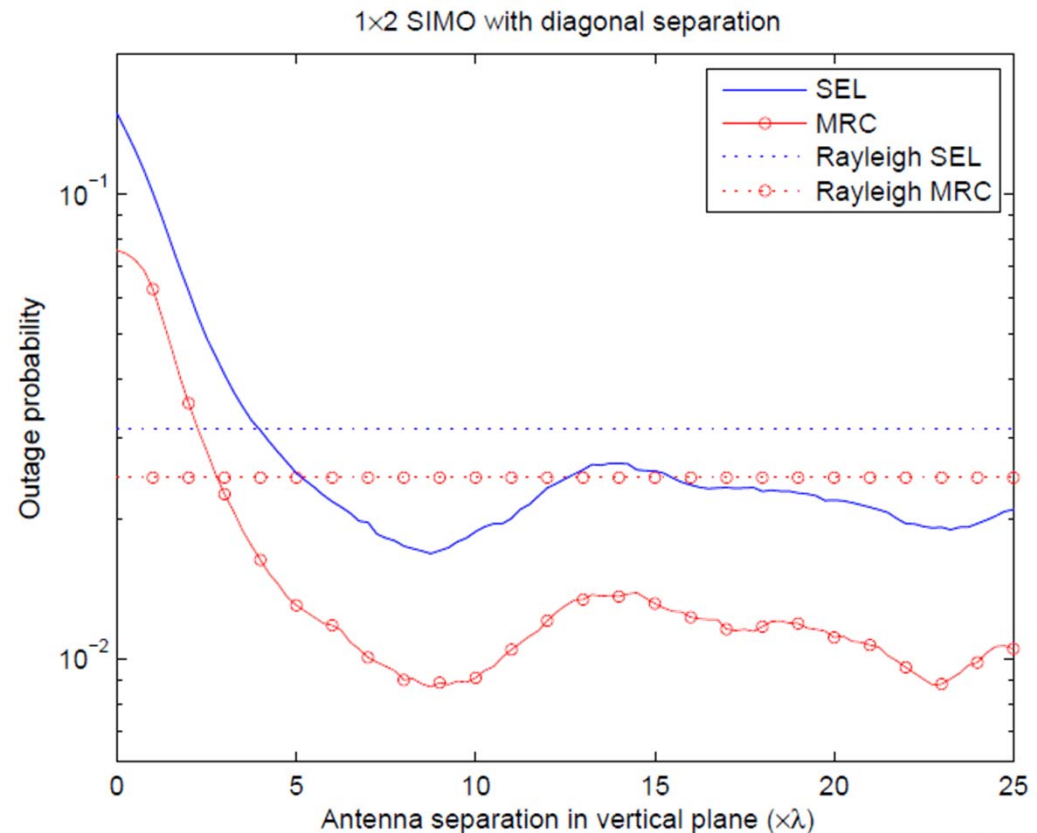
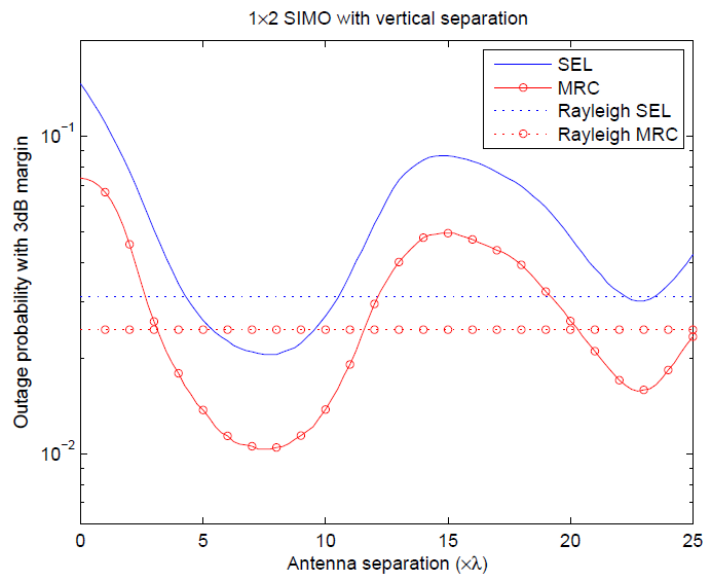
- Including **double reflection** rays
- Less deterministic – but 2-ray guidelines apply to achieve maximum diversity gain



# Street canyon channel

- Including **double reflection** rays
- Less deterministic – but 2-ray guidelines apply to achieve maximum diversity gain

Using **diagonal** spacing increases diversity



# Frequency diversity

- Frequency diversity gain of bandwidth B

$$G = \frac{1}{f_{\max} - f_{\min}} \int_{f_{\min}}^{f_{\max}} |H(f)|^2 df$$

where

$$H(f) = \sum_{k=1}^M \alpha_k \exp(j2\pi\tau_k f)$$

$$\alpha_1 = 1 \text{ (LOS)}$$

# Frequency diversity

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$$|H(f)|^2 = H(f).H(f)^*$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^M |\alpha_k|^2 + \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{l=k+1}^M 2 |\alpha_k \alpha_l| \cos(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)f + \angle\alpha_l - \angle\alpha_k)$$

$$G_B = \sum_{k=1}^M \overbrace{|\alpha_k|^2}^{G_{sat}}$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{l=k+1}^M \frac{2 |\alpha_k \alpha_l|}{2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)B} \left[ \sin(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)(f_c + \frac{B}{2}) + \angle\alpha_l - \angle\alpha_k) - \sin(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)(f_c - \frac{B}{2}) + \angle\alpha_l - \angle\alpha_k) \right]$$

# Frequency diversity

$$G_B = G_{sat} + \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{l=k+1}^M \frac{4 |\alpha_k \alpha_l|}{2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)B} \left[ \cos(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)f_c + \angle\alpha_l - \angle\alpha_k) \sin(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)\frac{B}{2}) \right]$$

$$f_c \gg B, \frac{1}{\Delta\tau} \Rightarrow E[G_B] = G_{sat}$$

$$E\left[|G_B - G_{sat}|^2\right] = \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \\ \text{pairs}}} E\left[\frac{8 |\alpha_k \alpha_l|^2}{(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)B)^2} \sin^2\left(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)\frac{B}{2}\right)\right]$$



# Diversity gain

$$E[G_B] = G_{sat} = 1 + E\left[\sum_{k=1}^7 |\alpha_k|^2\right]$$

$$E\left[|G_B - G_{sat}|^2\right] = E\left[\sum_{(k,l) \text{ pairs}} 2|\alpha_k \alpha_l|^2 \left(\frac{\sin(2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)\frac{B}{2})}{2\pi(\tau_l - \tau_k)\frac{B}{2}}\right)^2\right]$$

$$\leq 2n \left(\frac{\sin(2\pi \min(\Delta\tau)\frac{B}{2})}{2\pi \min(\Delta\tau)\frac{B}{2}}\right)^2 \quad \text{or} \approx 2 \left(\frac{\sin(2\pi \min(\Delta\tau)\frac{B}{2})}{2\pi \min(\Delta\tau)\frac{B}{2}}\right)^2 \quad \text{(dominant term)}$$

# Diversity gain

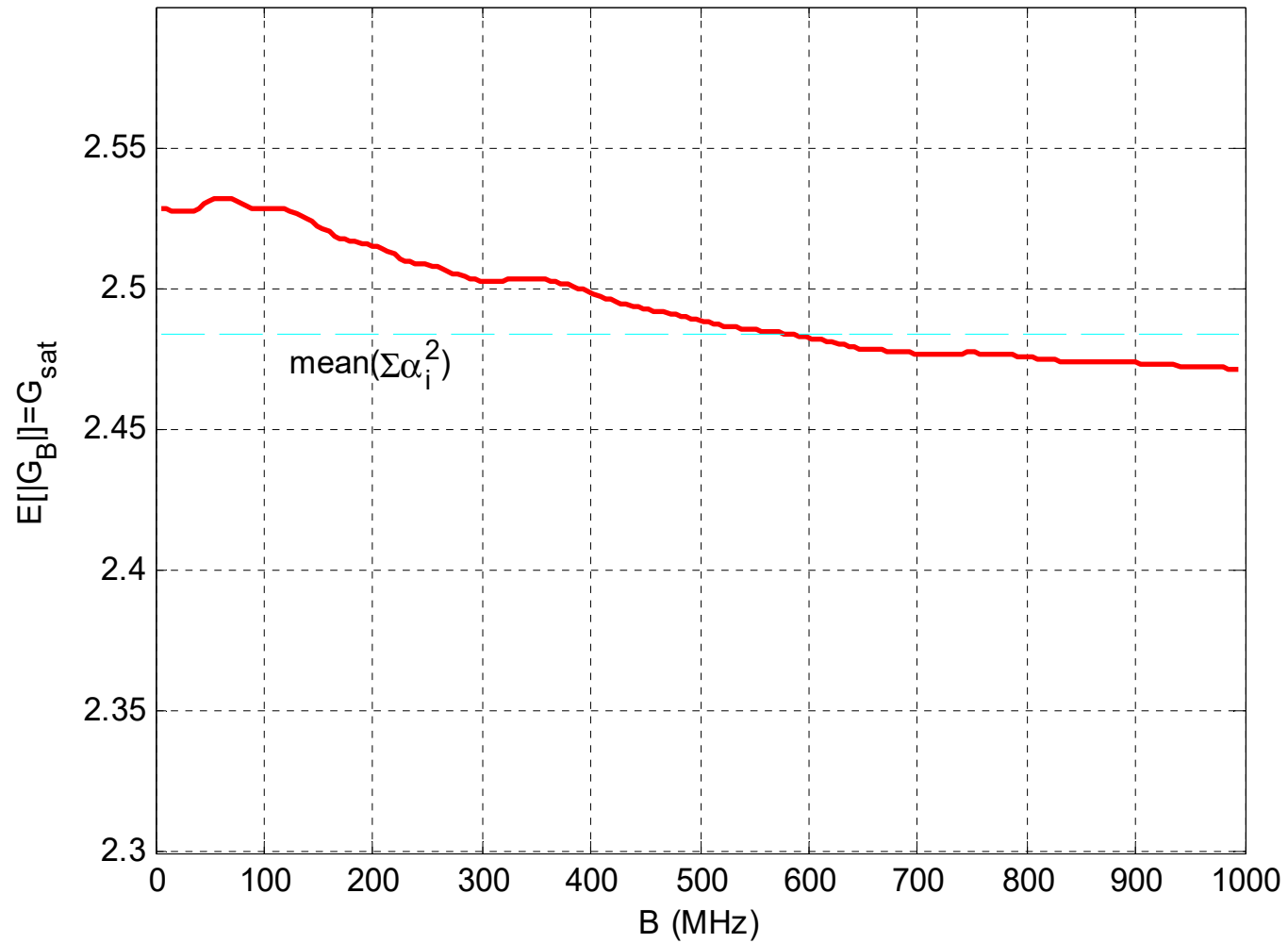
- When  $B$  is small  $\Rightarrow$  all components add up
- When  $B$  is large  $\Rightarrow$  dominant term

$$V \approx 2E \left[ \left| \alpha_k \alpha_l \right|^2 \right] \quad B \rightarrow 0$$

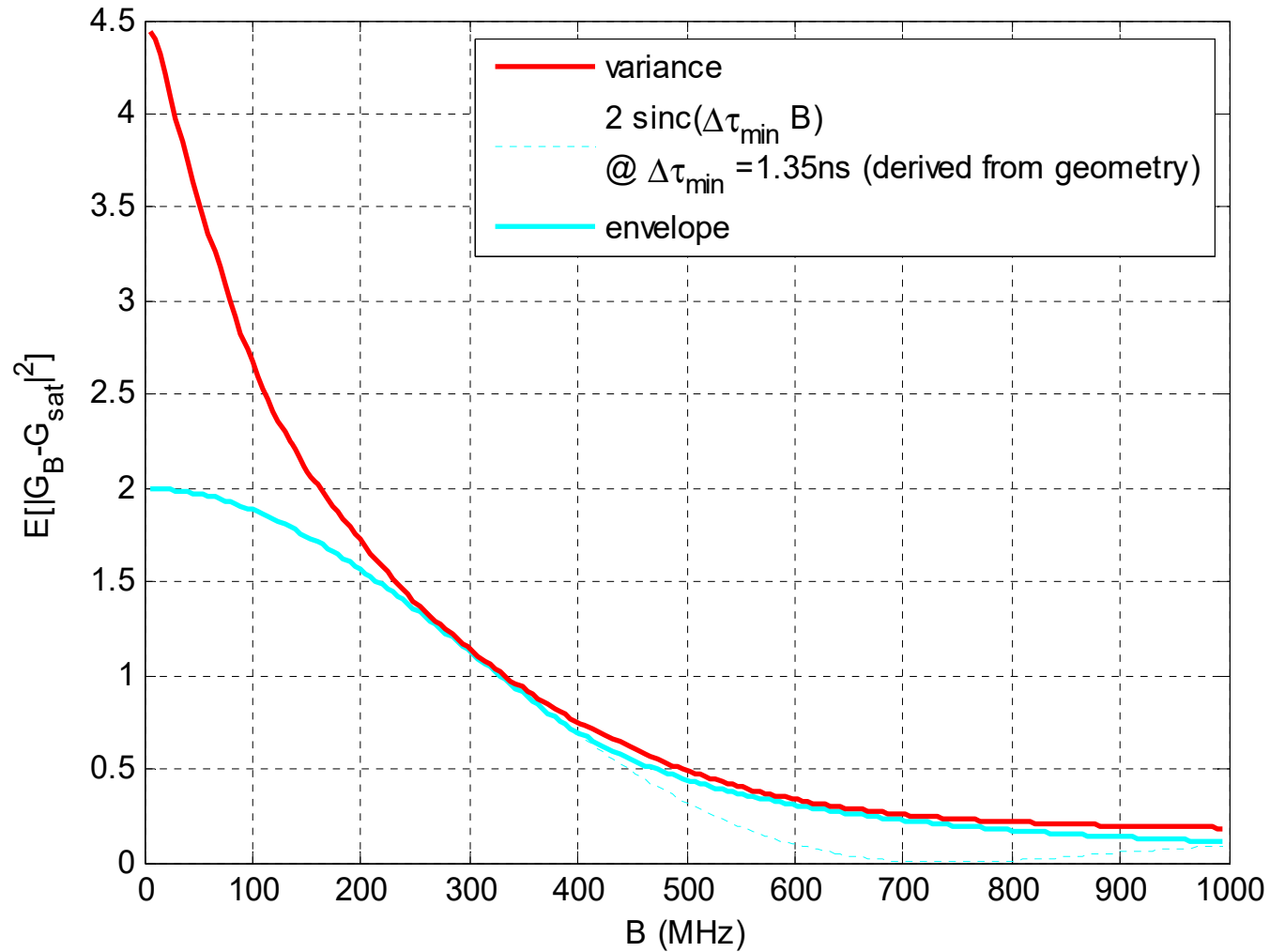
$$V \approx 2 \text{sinc}^2(\min(\Delta\tau) \times B) \quad \text{large } B$$

$\Rightarrow \text{sinc}^2(\min(\Delta\tau) \times B)$  is representative of frequency diversity gain reliability

# Mean of frequency diversity gain



# Variance of frequency diversity gain



# Frequency diversity

- In the lamp post to lamp post link with known geometry

$$\tau_i = \frac{d_i}{c}$$

$$d_i = \sqrt{L^2 + (mW)^2 + b(h_t + h_r)^2} \approx L + \frac{(mW)^2}{2L} + \frac{b(h_t + h_r)^2}{2L}$$

( $m$  reflections from walls and  $b$  reflections from ground ( $b=0,1$ ))

- Minimum delay is between LOS and single reflection from closest surface (near wall or ground)
- Guideline for diversity gain achieved from bandwidth  $B$

# Extending to SIMO

- Reminder: Frequency diversity gain:

$$G = \frac{1}{f_{\max} - f_{\min}} \int_{f_{\min}}^{f_{\max}} |H(f)|^2 df$$

- Selection and Maximum Ratio Combining

$$H_{Sel} = \max(H_1, H_2)$$

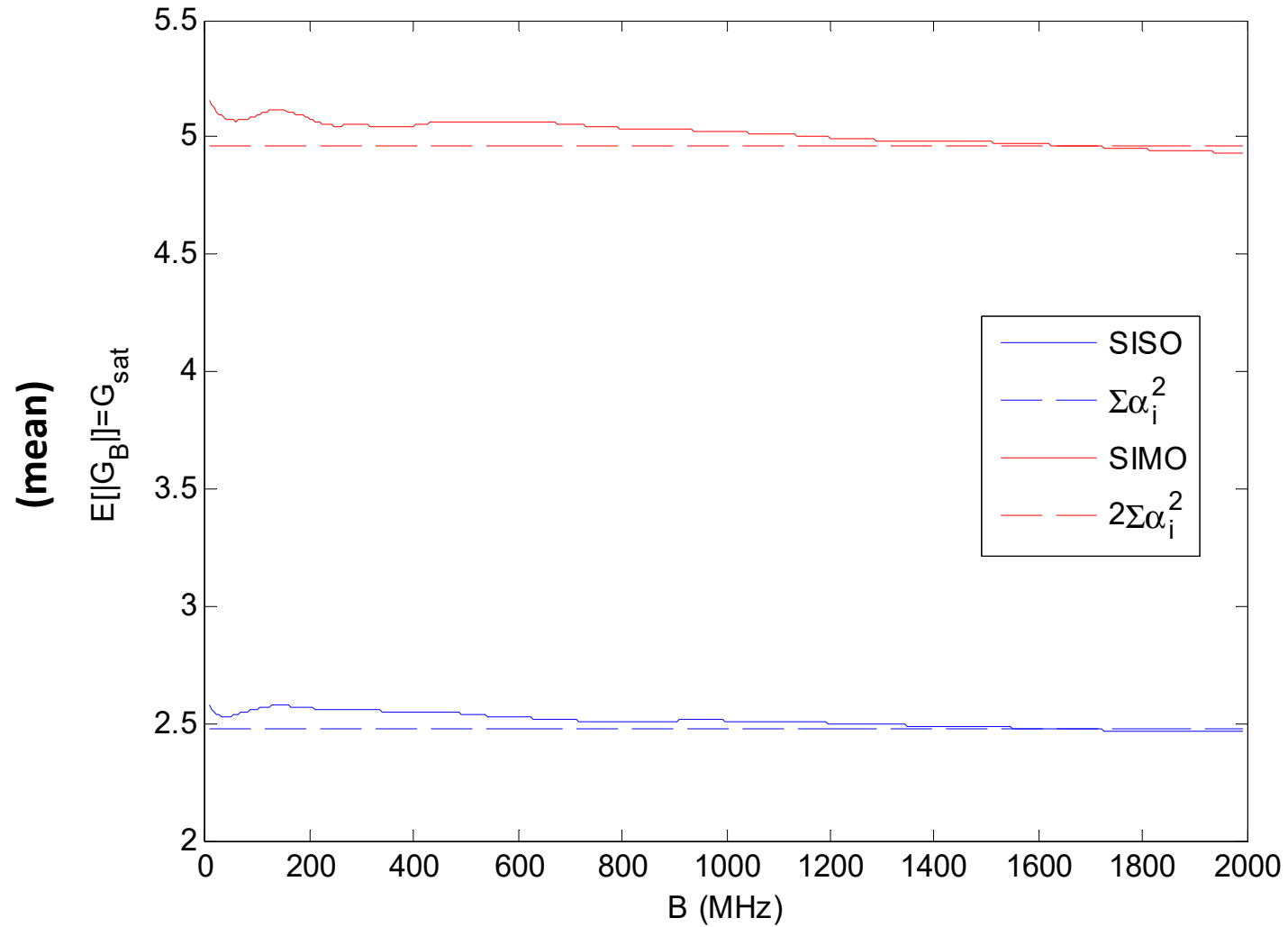
$$H_{MRC} = \sqrt{|H_1|^2 + |H_2|^2}$$

With high bandwidth, choice of displacement has no effect on mean or expected MRC gain, but affects its statistical variation

# Extending to SIMO

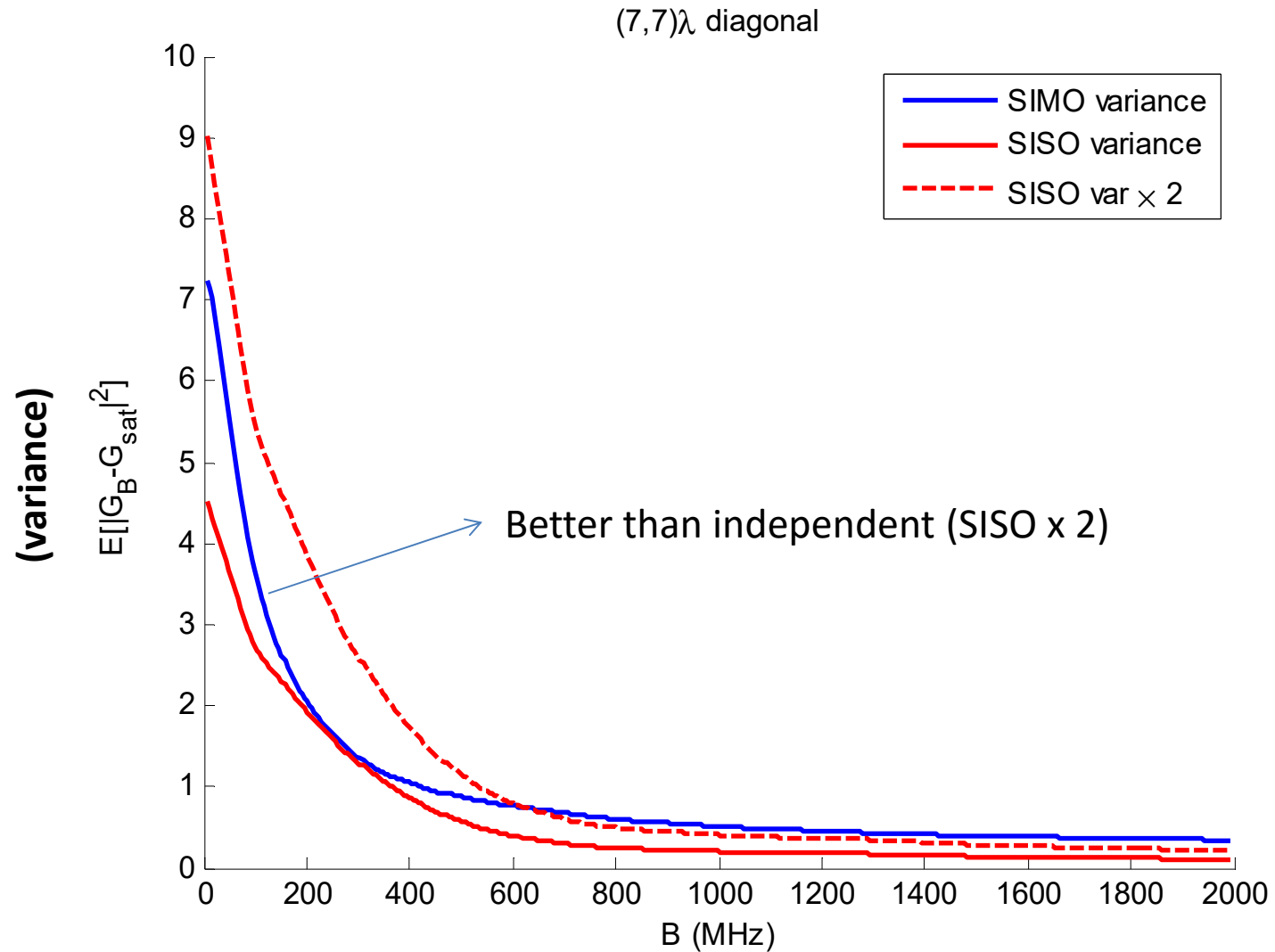
- 1x2 SIMO with maximum ratio combining
- Expected diversity gain is  $2G_{\text{SISO}}$
- Variance of diversity gain  $G_{\text{SIMO}}$ 
  - =  $2G_{\text{SISO}}$  for uncorrelated responses
  - >  $2G_{\text{SISO}}$  for positive correlation
  - <  $2G_{\text{SISO}}$  for negative correlation

# Good spacing – diagonal $(7,7)\lambda$

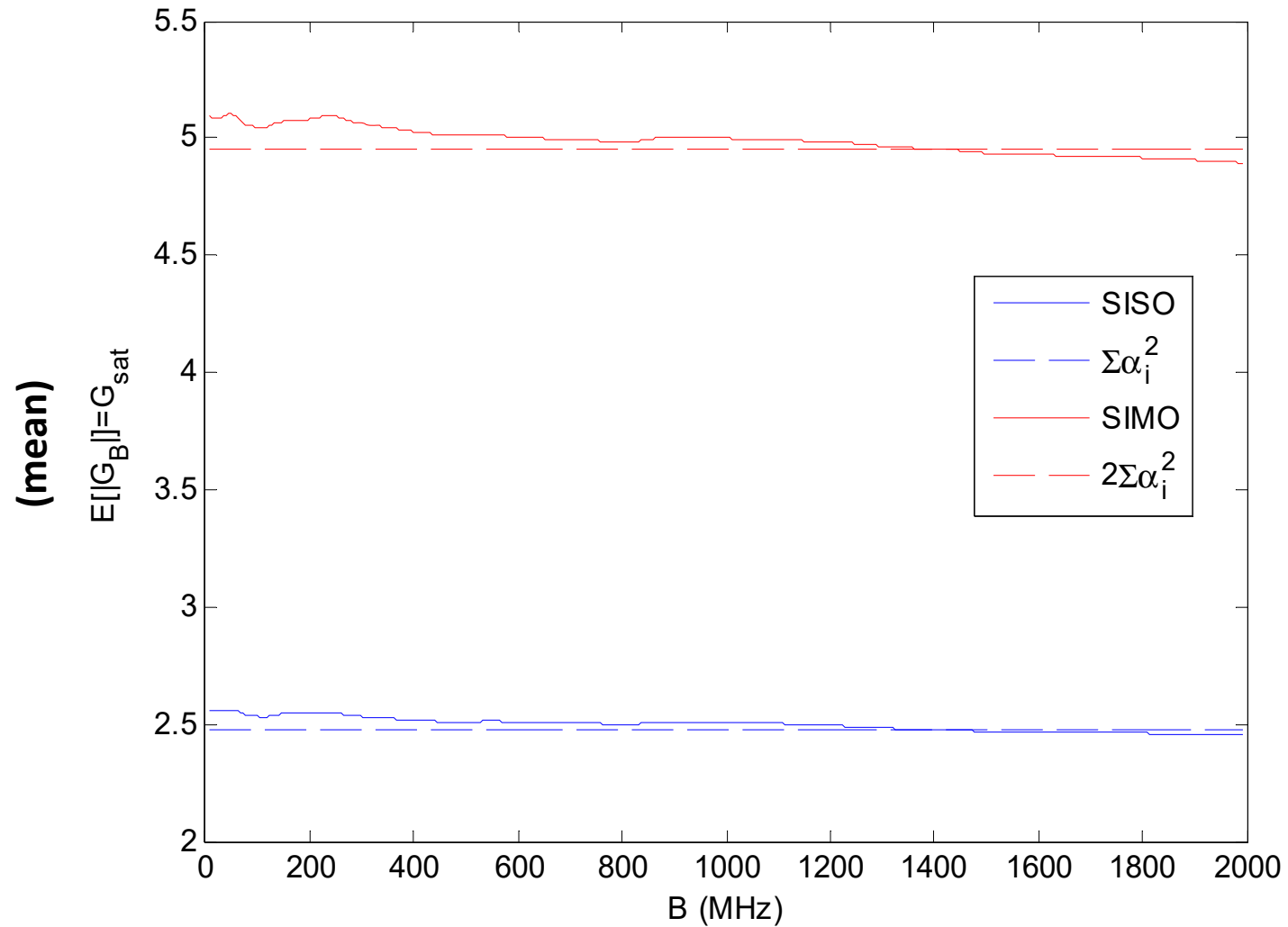




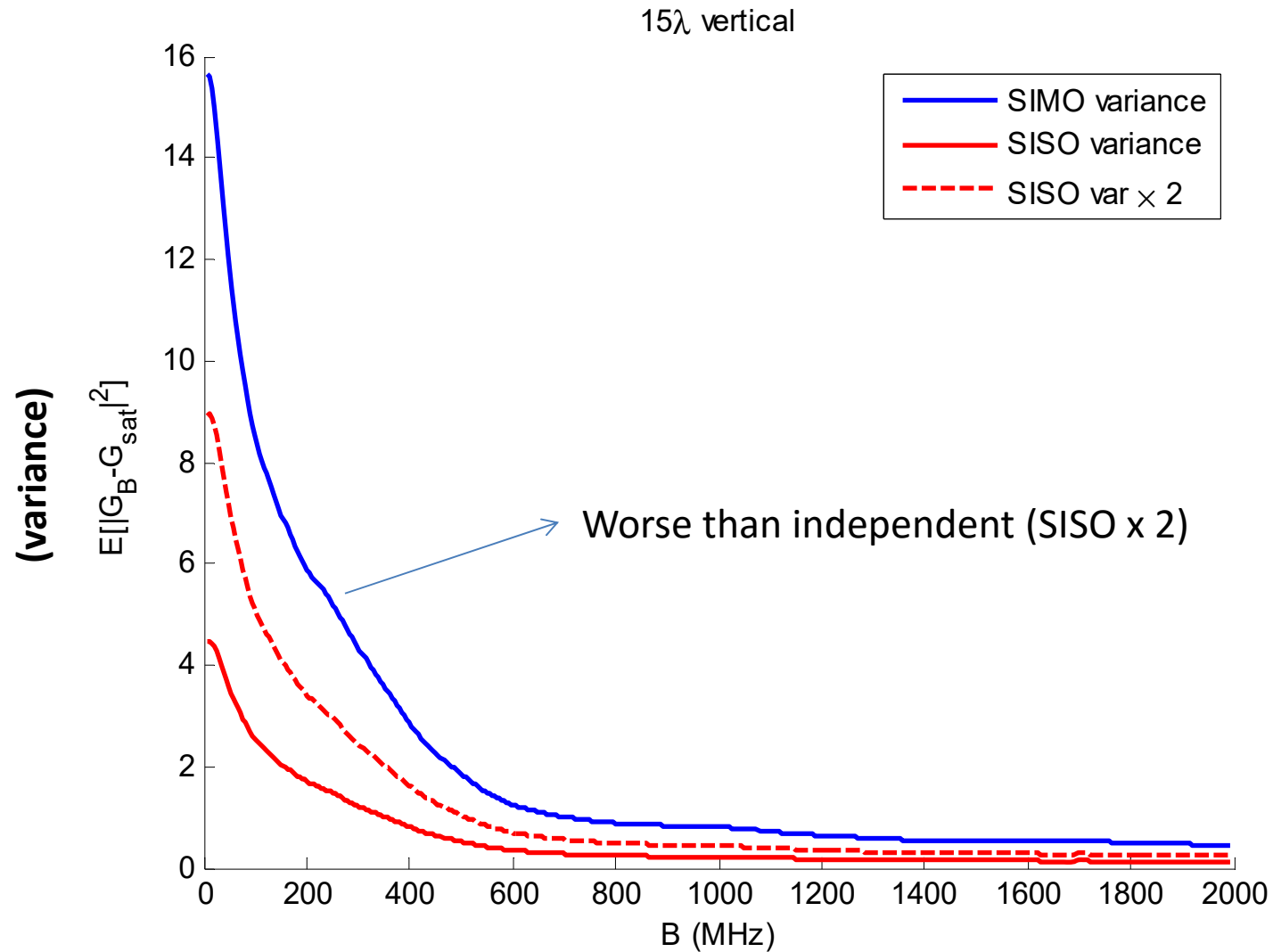
# Good spacing – diagonal $(7,7)\lambda$



# Bad spacing – vertical $15\lambda$



# Bad spacing – vertical $15\lambda$



# Take aways

- Spatial diversity is different for sparse multipath
- But it is not that interesting for the bandwidths of interest, since frequency diversity will do the trick
- Beamforming and spatial multiplexing are more interesting issues than diversity

# LoS MIMO, part 1

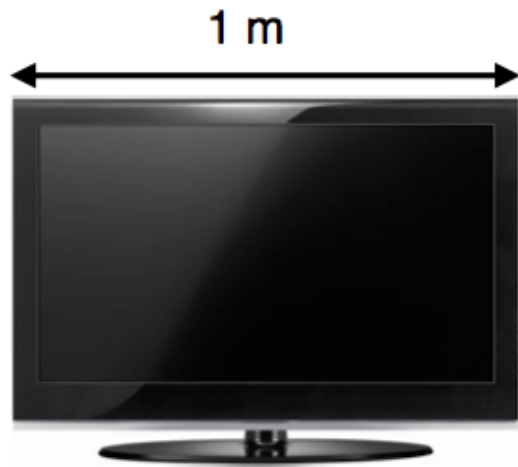
Fundamental limits  
Array of subarrays  
Location-dependent capacity  
2010 Prototype

## **Collaborators**

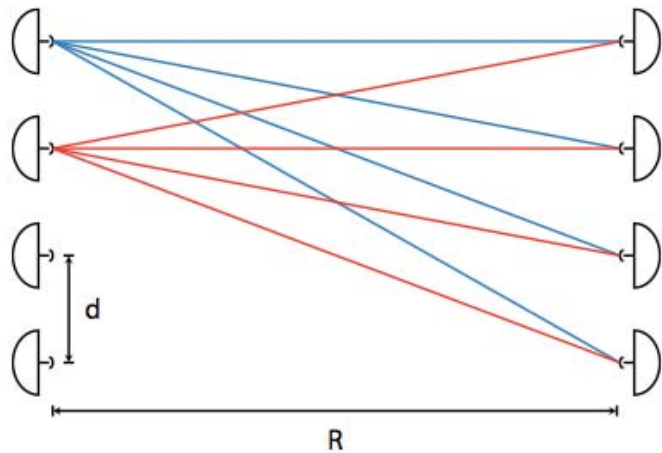
**Dr. Colin Sheldon, Dr. Eric Torkildson, Dr. Munkyo Seo  
Prof. Mark Rodwell**

2016 Summer School, IISc Bangalore

How many degrees of freedom are available?



# The Geometry of LoS MIMO: Rayleigh criterion



$$\mathbf{h}_1 = (1, e^{j\phi}, e^{j2^2\phi}, \dots, e^{j(N-1)^2\phi})^T$$

$$\mathbf{h}_2 = (e^{j\phi}, 1, e^{j\phi}, \dots, e^{j(N-2)^2\phi})^T$$

$$|\langle \mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{h}_2 \rangle| = \left| \frac{\sin(N\phi)}{\sin\phi} \right|$$

Vectors are orthogonal when  $N\phi = N \frac{\pi d^2}{\lambda R} = \pi$

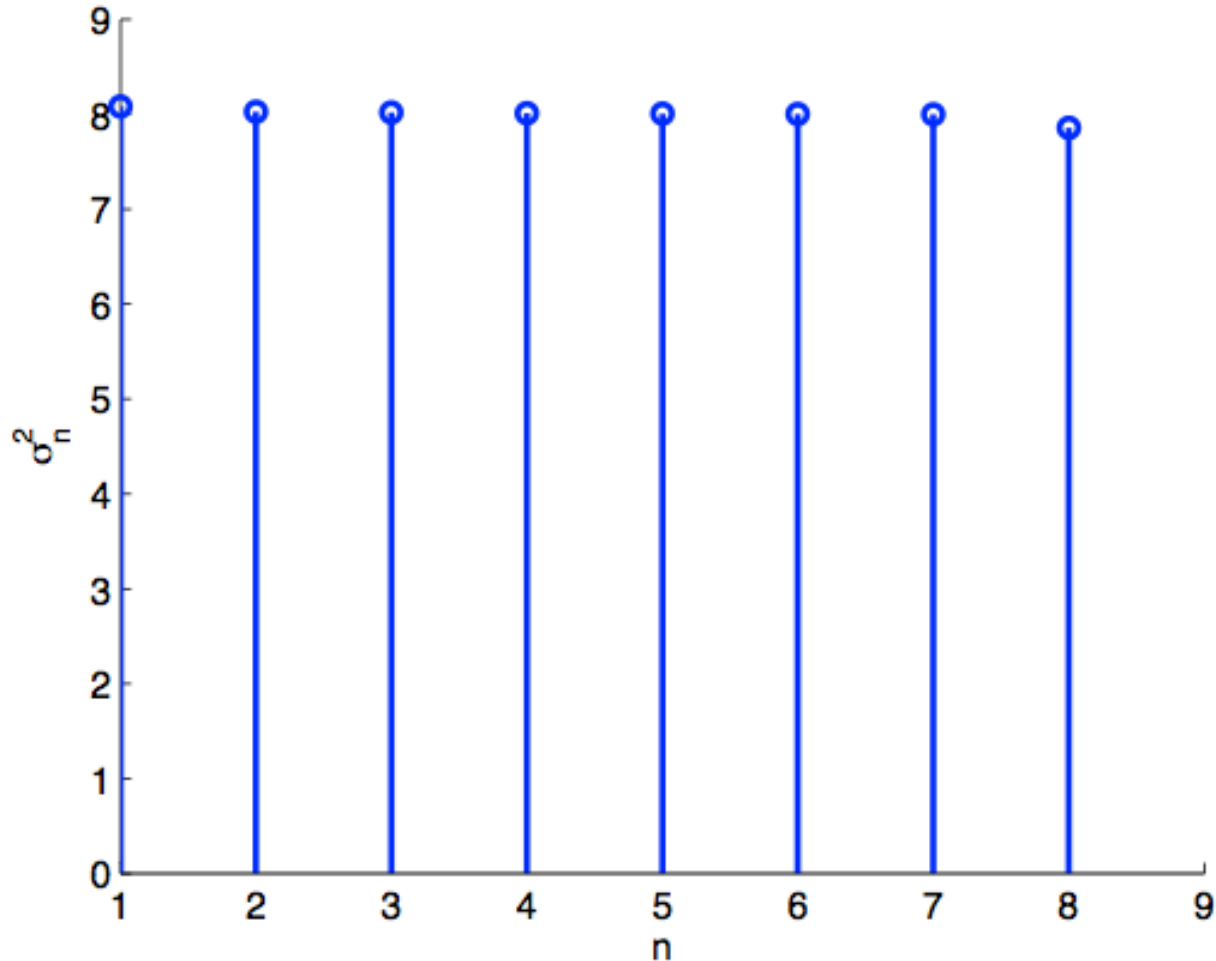
$$d = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda R}{N}}$$

## Example

R=10 m,  $\lambda=5$  mm, N=4

d = 11 cm

# Spatial degrees of freedom

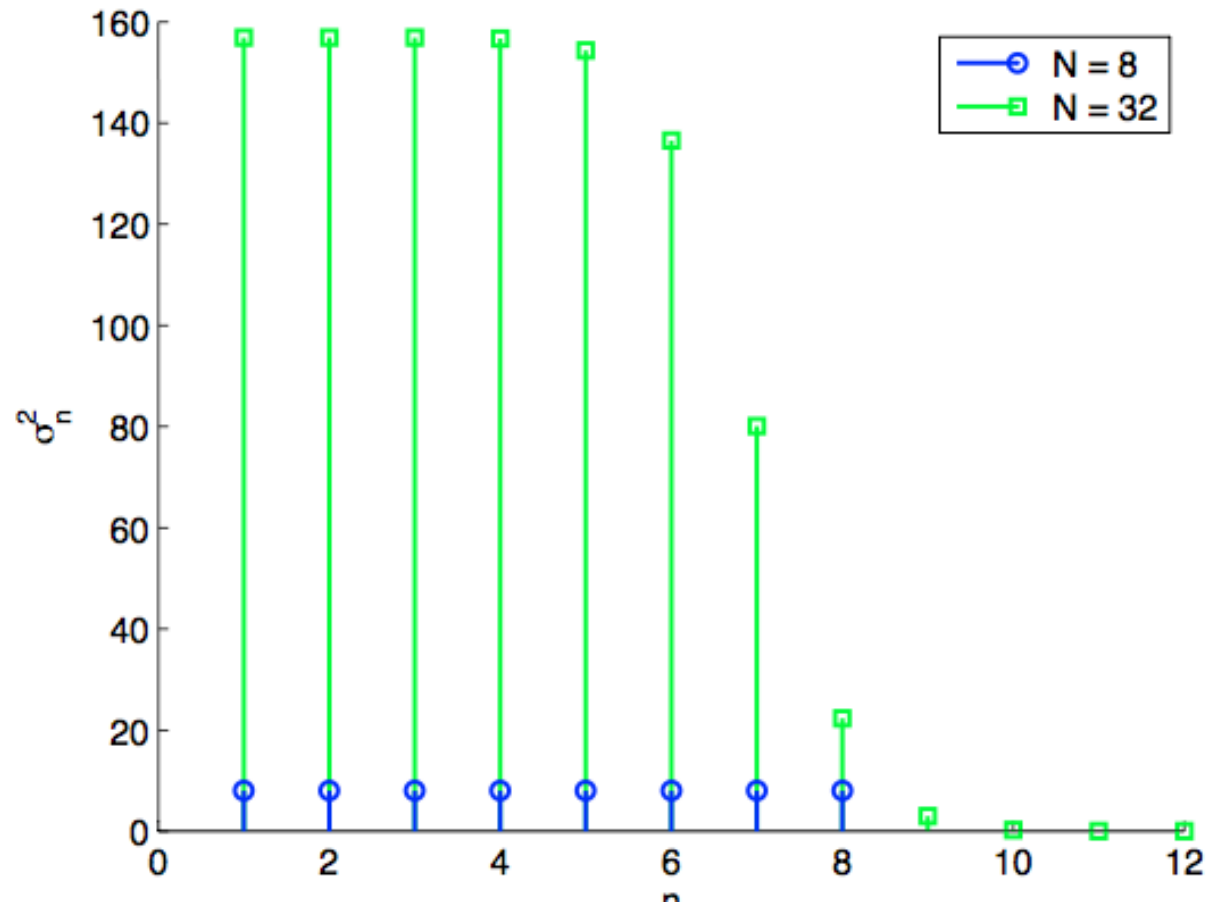


**N element Rayleigh spaced array gives N degrees of freedom.  
But plenty of room for more antenna elements...can we do better?**



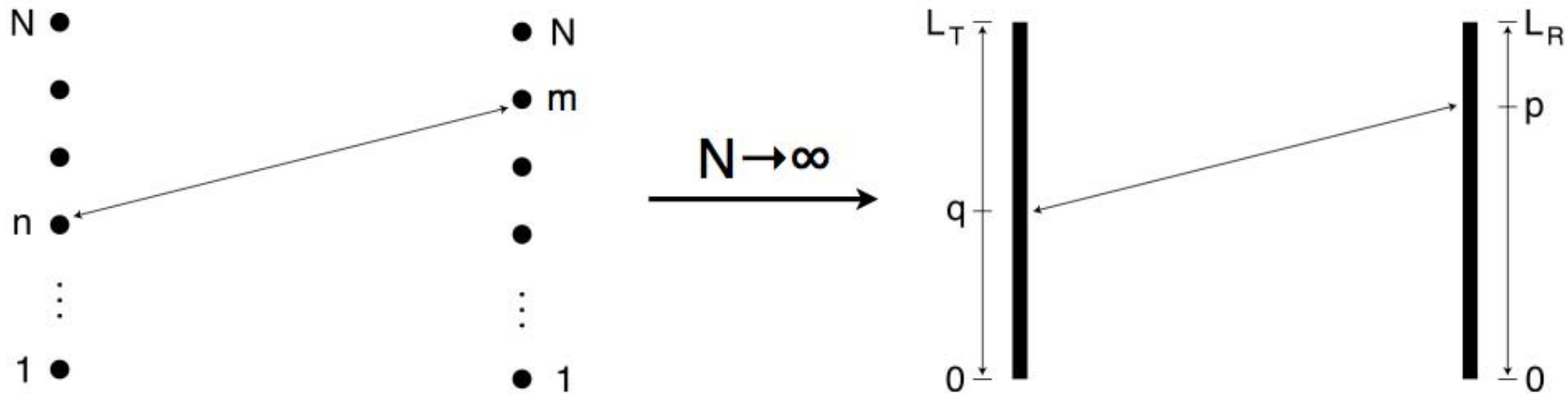
# Increasing antenna count with fixed form factor

What happens with a four-fold increase to N=32?



What happens as N gets very large?

# The continuous linear array limit



$$y_m = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \exp\left(-i \frac{\pi}{\lambda R} (nd_T - md_R)^2\right) x_n$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{h_{m,n}}$$

$$y(p) = \frac{1}{L_T} \int_{-L_T/2}^{L_T/2} \exp\left(-i \frac{\pi}{\lambda R} (q - p)^2\right) x(q) dq$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{h(q,p)}$$

# Spatial prolate spheroidal waveforms

Directly analogous to classical prolate spheroidal analysis of bandlimited channel

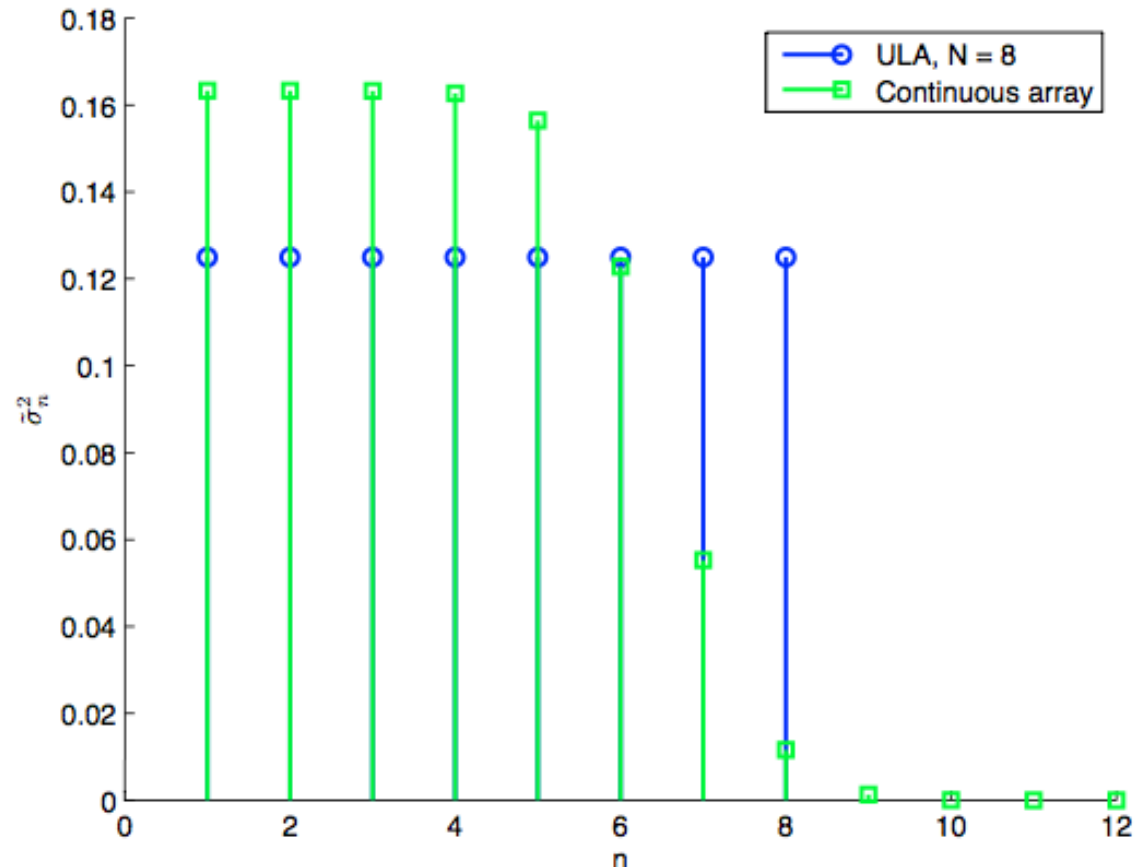
$$\lambda_n \phi_n(t) = \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \frac{\sin 2\pi W(t-s)}{\pi(t-s)} \phi_n(s) ds$$

$$\frac{L_T^2}{\lambda R} |g_n|^2 \alpha_n(q) = \int_{-L_T/2}^{L_T/2} \frac{\sin 2\pi \frac{L_r}{2\lambda R} (q-q')}{\pi(q-q')} \alpha_n(q') dq'$$

Strength of LoS MIMO modes given by scaled prolate spheroidal e-values

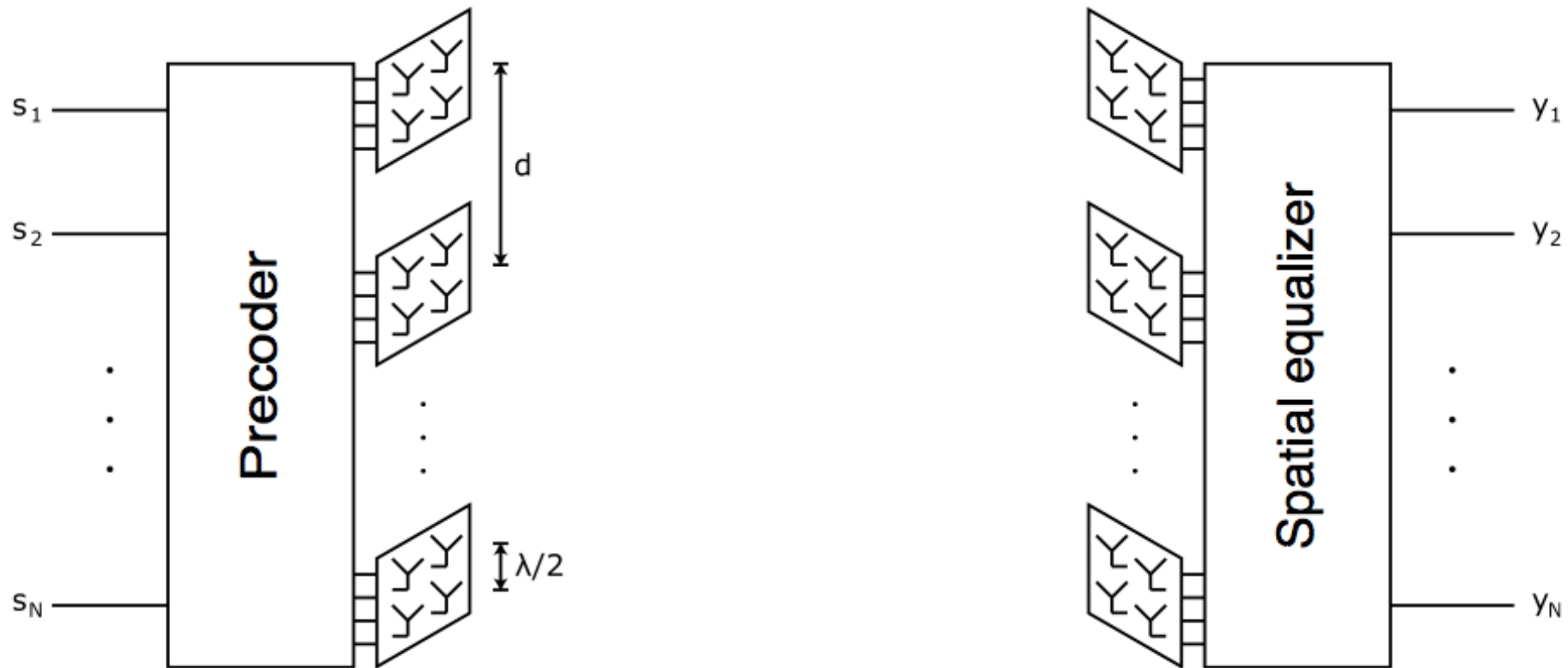
$$|g_n|^2 \approx 0 \text{ for } n > \frac{L_T L_R}{\lambda R} (1 + \epsilon)$$

# The optimality of Rayleigh spacing



**Rayleigh spacing essentially optimal in terms of degrees of freedom  
But additional elements provide beamforming gain**

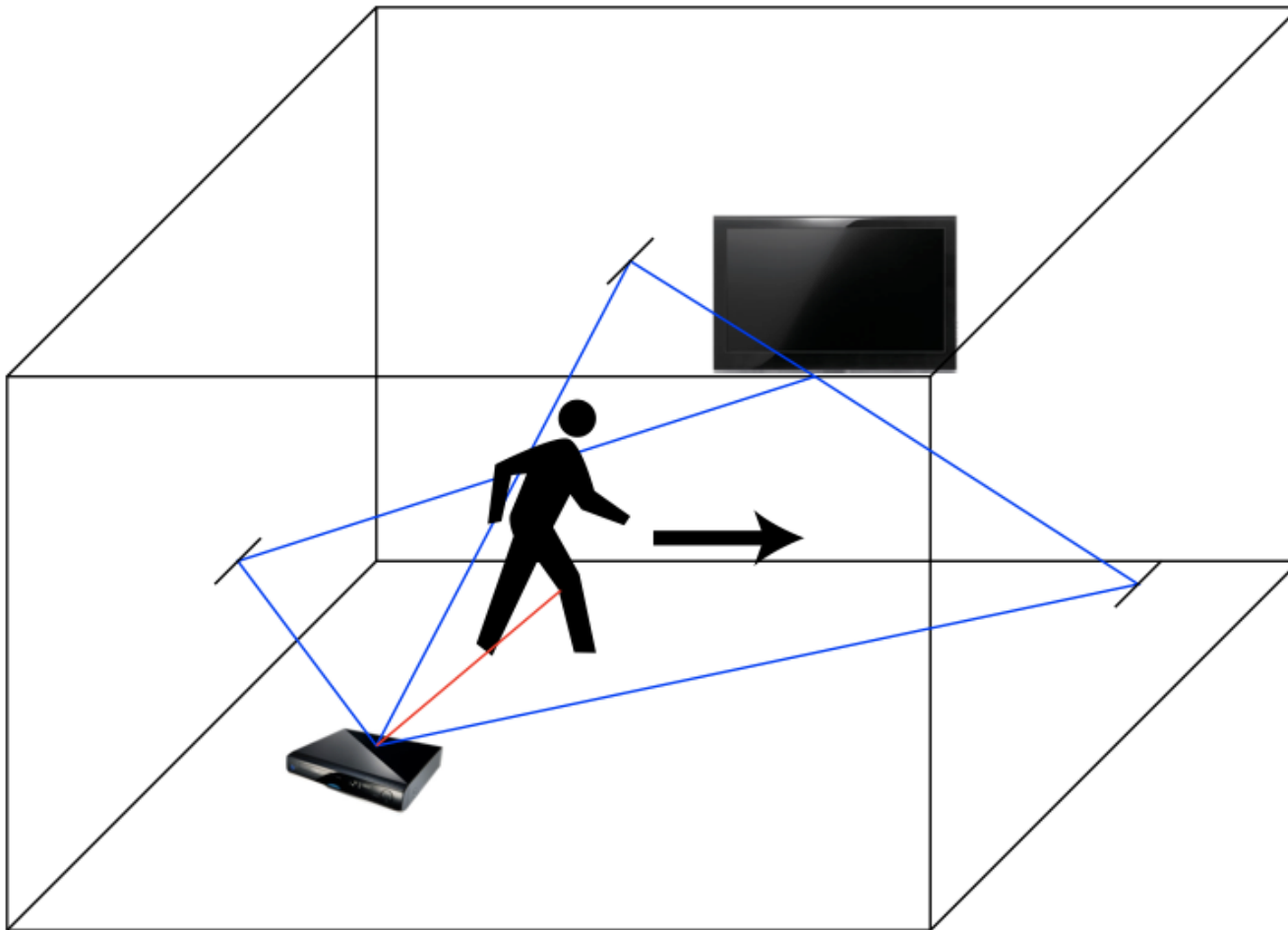
# Array of subarrays architecture



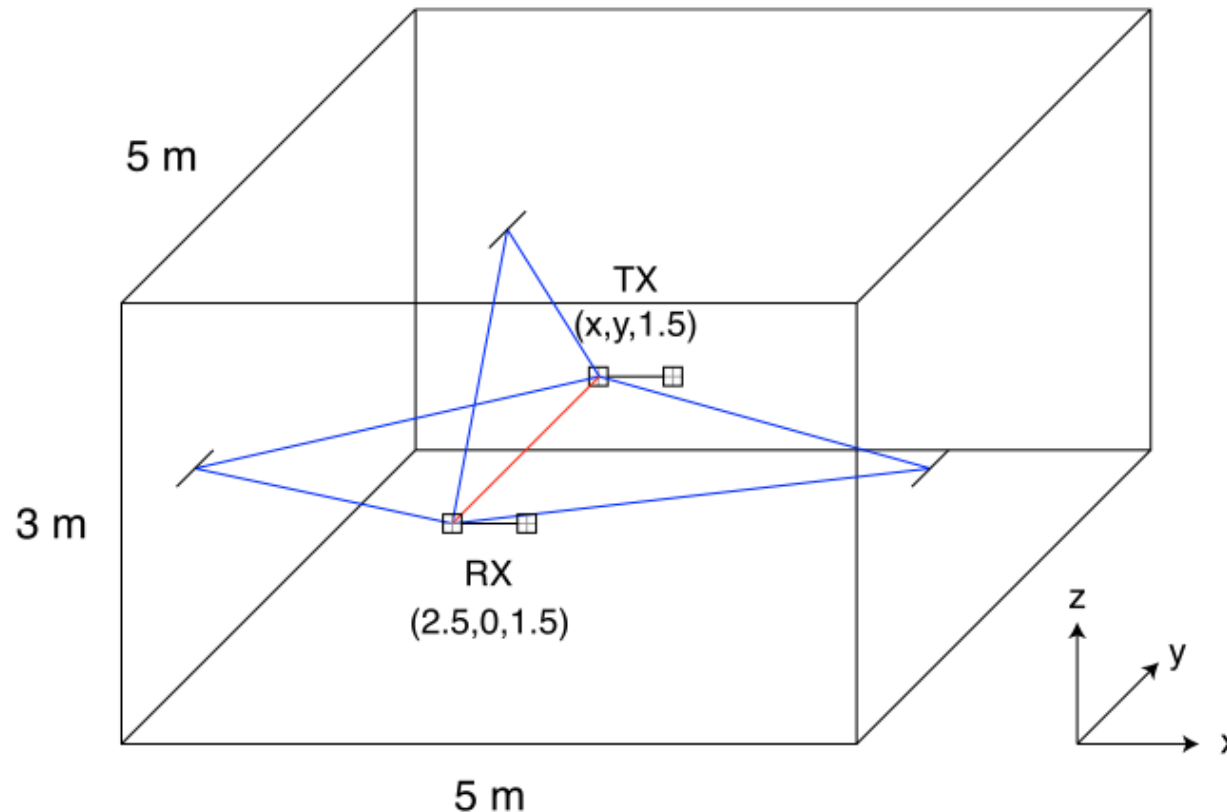
**Rayleigh-spaced arrays: spatial multiplexing**

**Each array is a sub-wavelength spaced subarray: beamforming**

Is this robust to reflections and blockage?



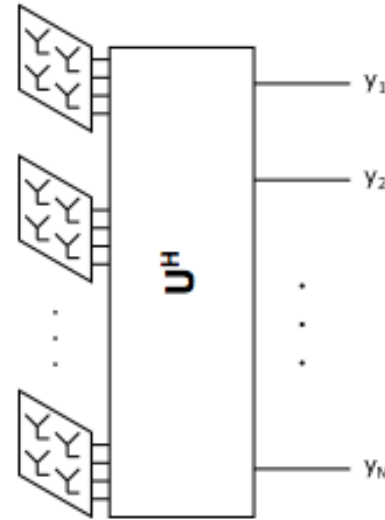
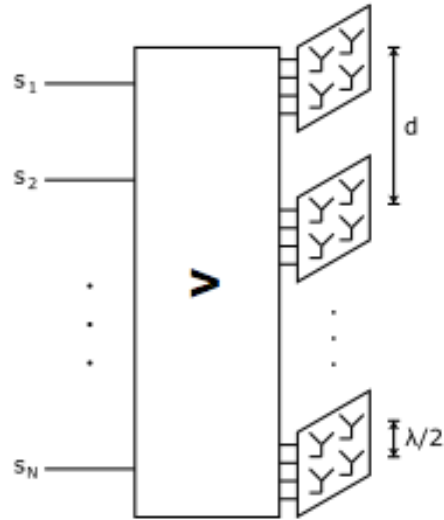
# Modeling the Indoor Environment



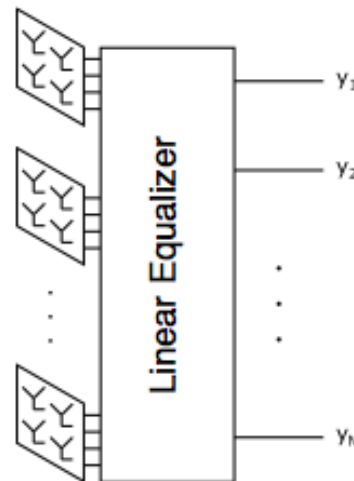
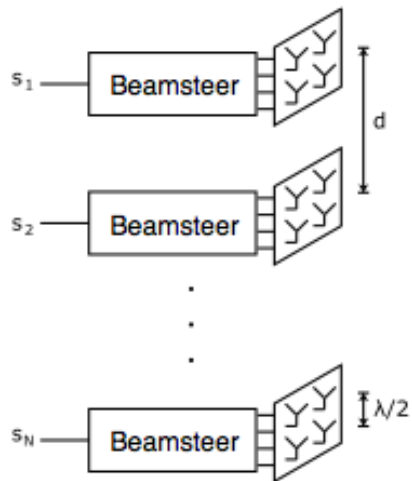
## Simulation parameters

- Plasterboard walls ( $\epsilon_r = 2.8$ ,  $\sigma = 0.221$ )
- Two 4x4 subarrays per node;
- $d = 8$  cm (optimized for  $R_o = 2.5$  m)

# Performance benchmarks



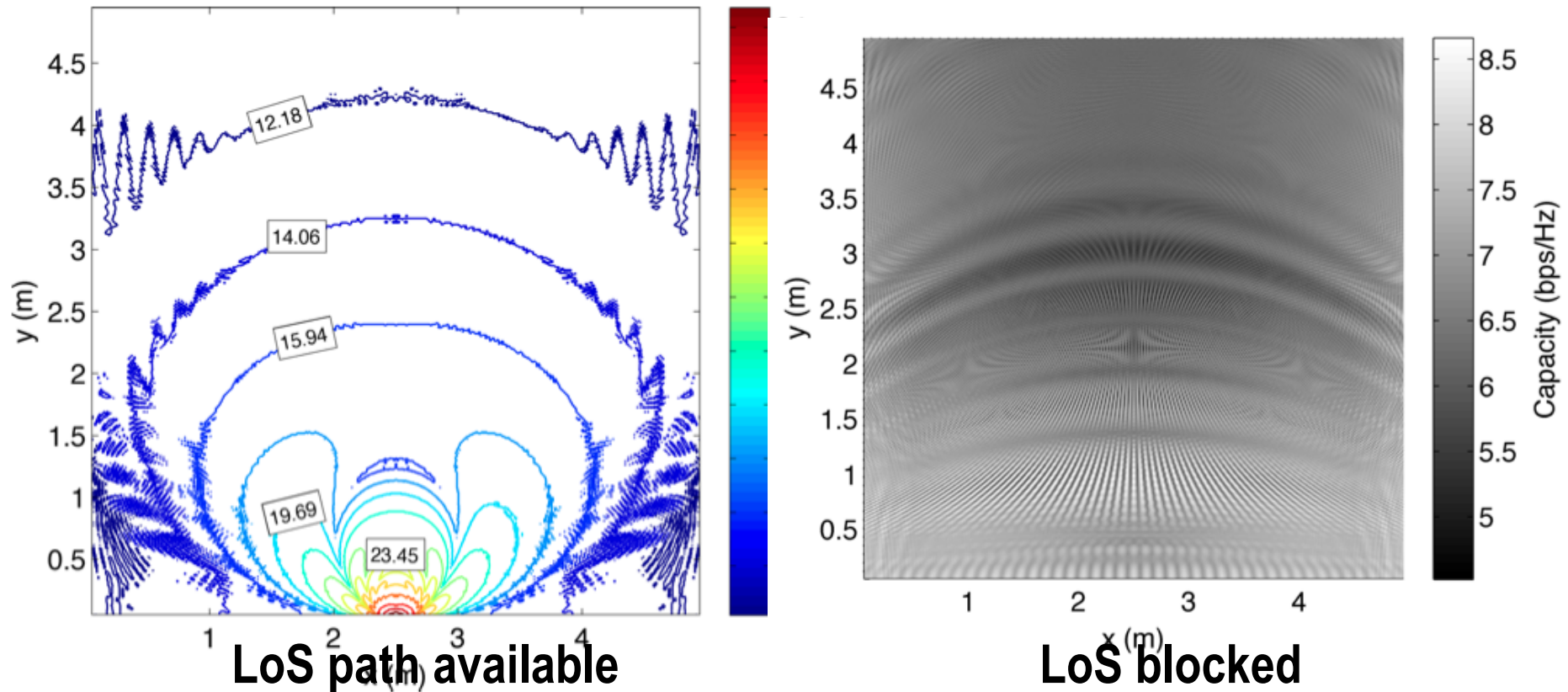
**Linear precoding  
Waterfilling**



**Transmit beamforming  
Linear MMSE receiver**

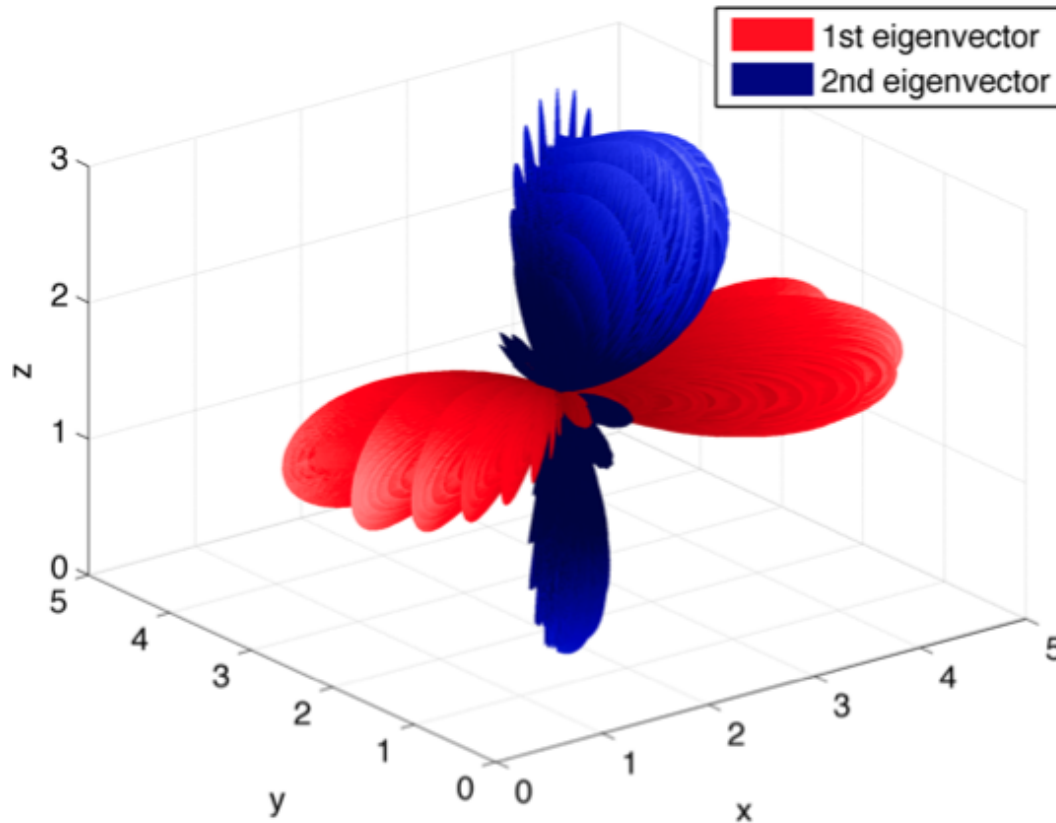


# Capacity vs TX location (waterfilling)



2x2 MIMO array of subarrays, Rayleigh spaced for TX at center  
Each subarray is a 4x4 square array  
TX power per element is -10 dBm

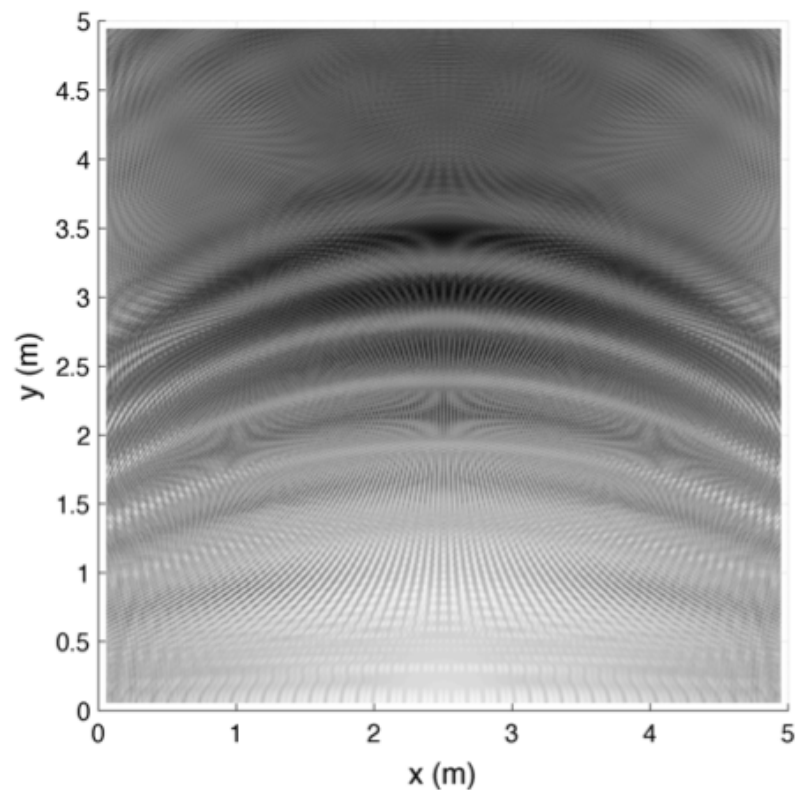
# A typical blockage scenario



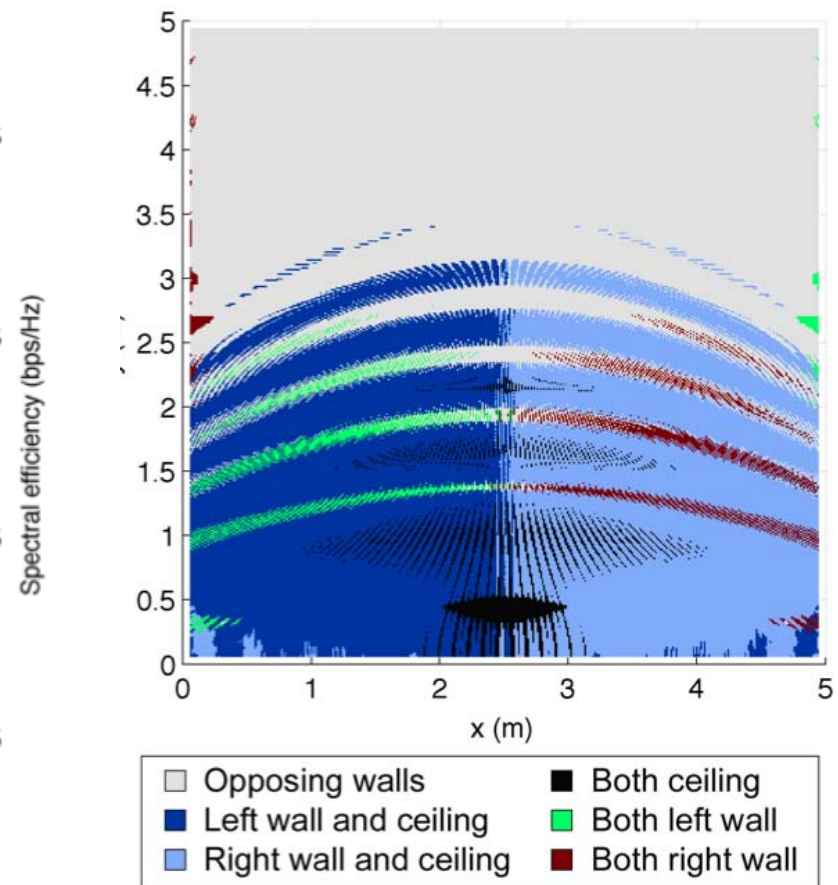
**TX at center of room**

**First eigenmode uses wall, second eigenmode uses ceiling**

# Beamsteering/MMSE with LoS blockage



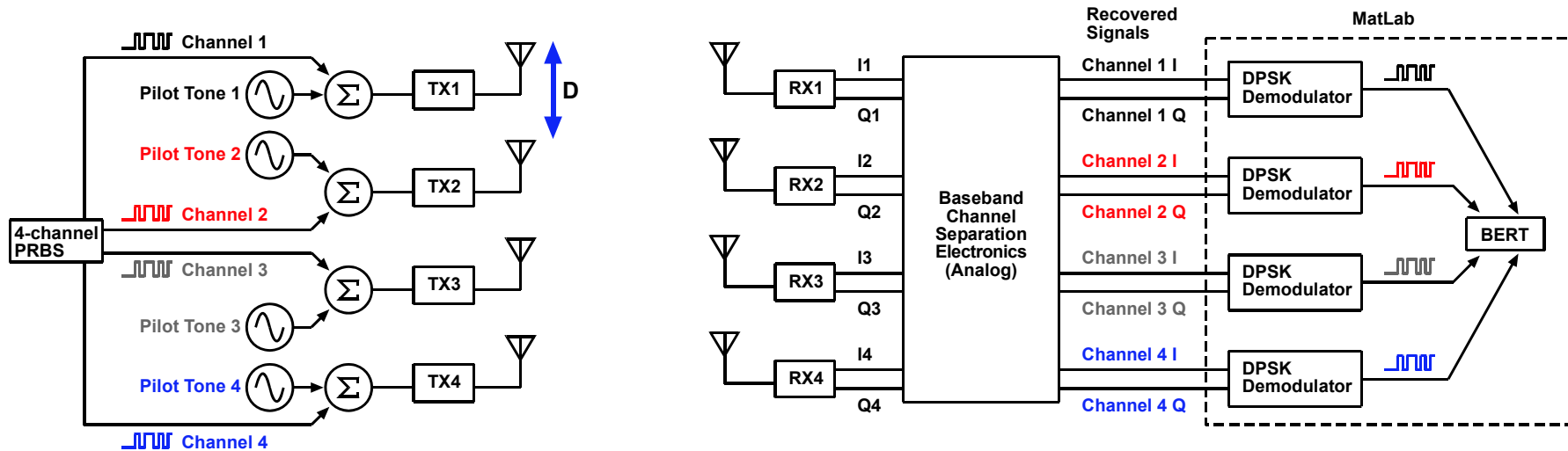
Capacity as a function of TX location



Optimal beams as a function of TX location

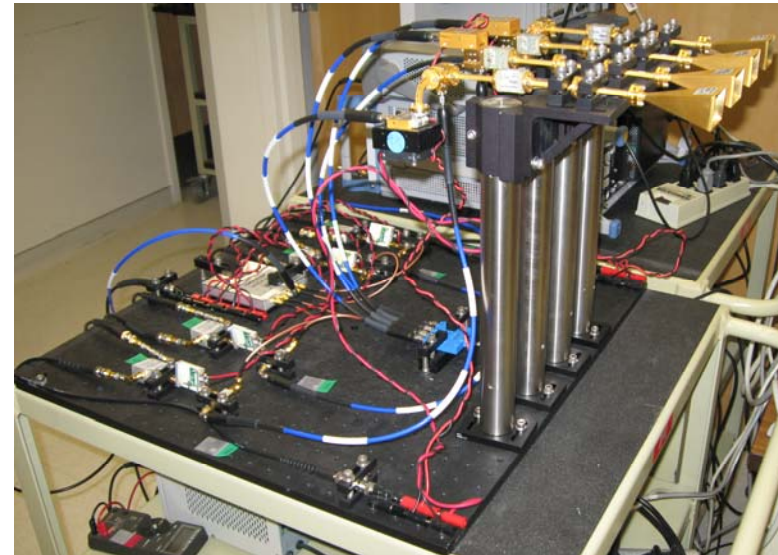
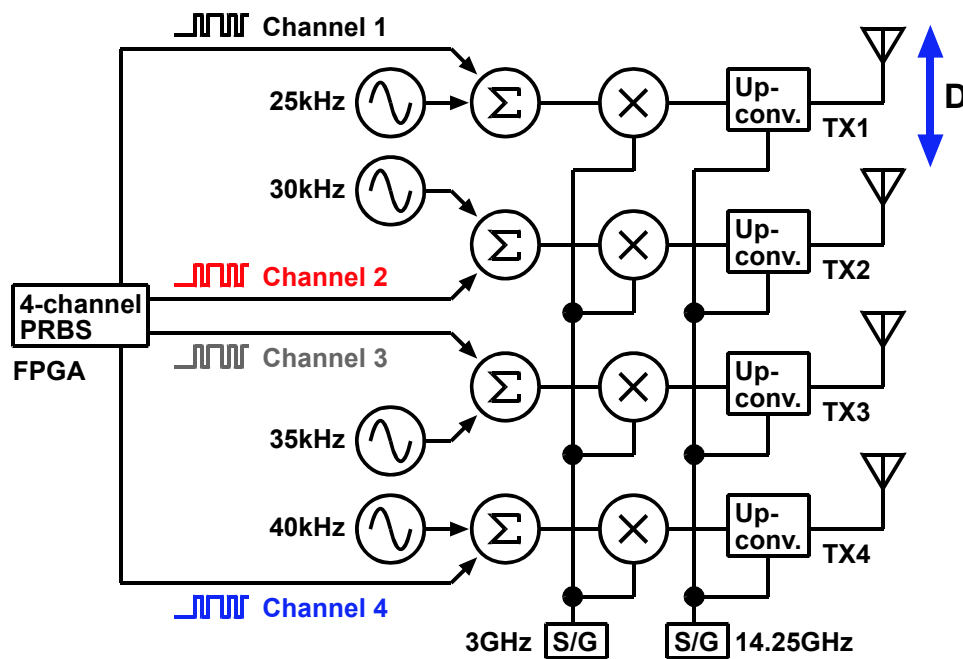
Acceptable performance even with LoS blockage with sufficient beam agility

# Demonstrating LoS MIMO: 4x4 Prototype

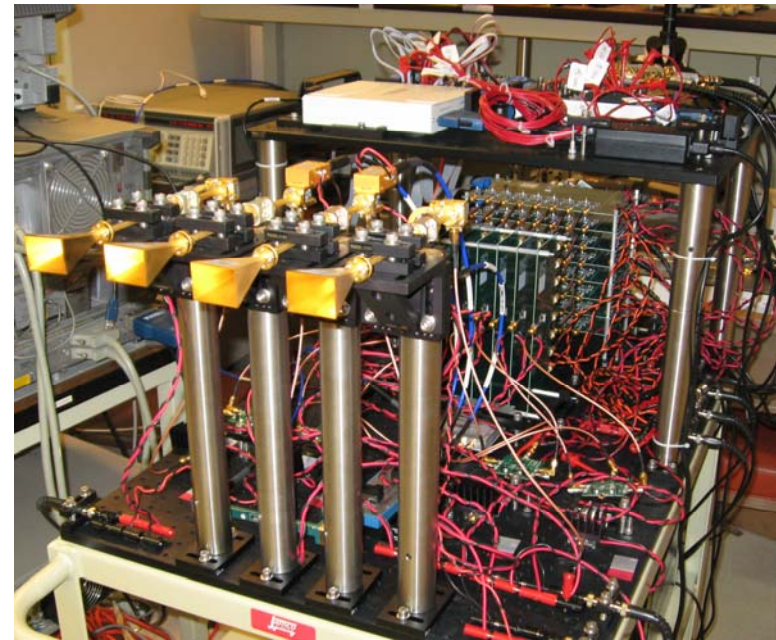
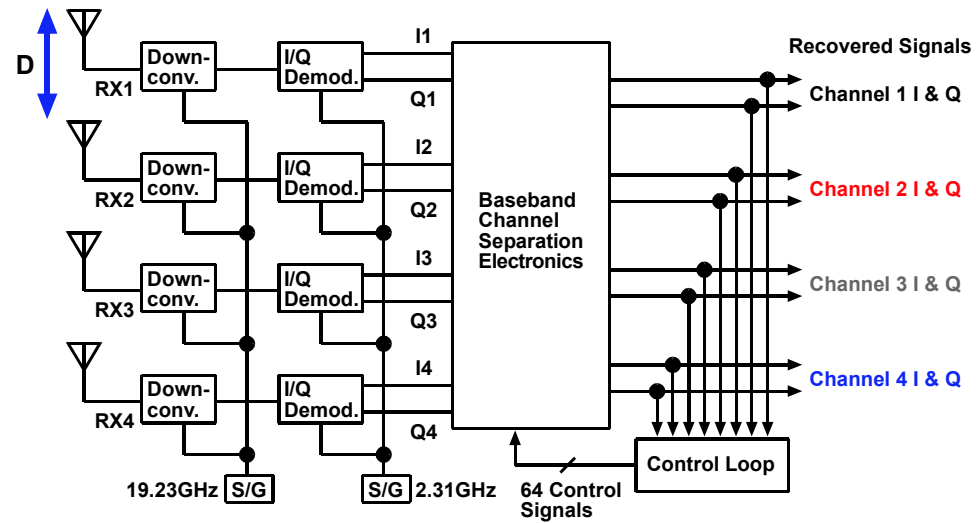


- Embedded pilot tones used to identify channels at the receiver
- Decouple receiver functions: channel separation and data demodulation
- Channel separation network implemented with baseband analog circuits

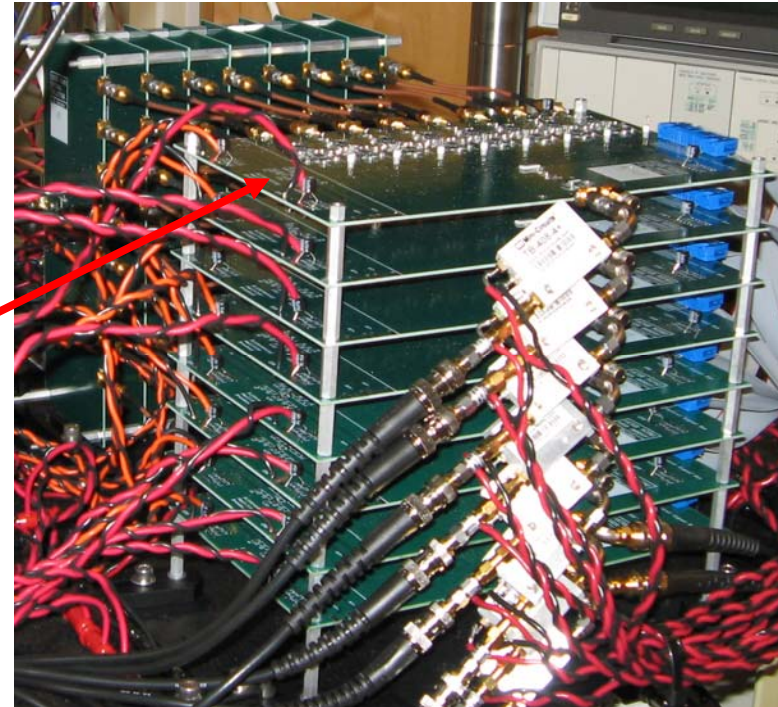
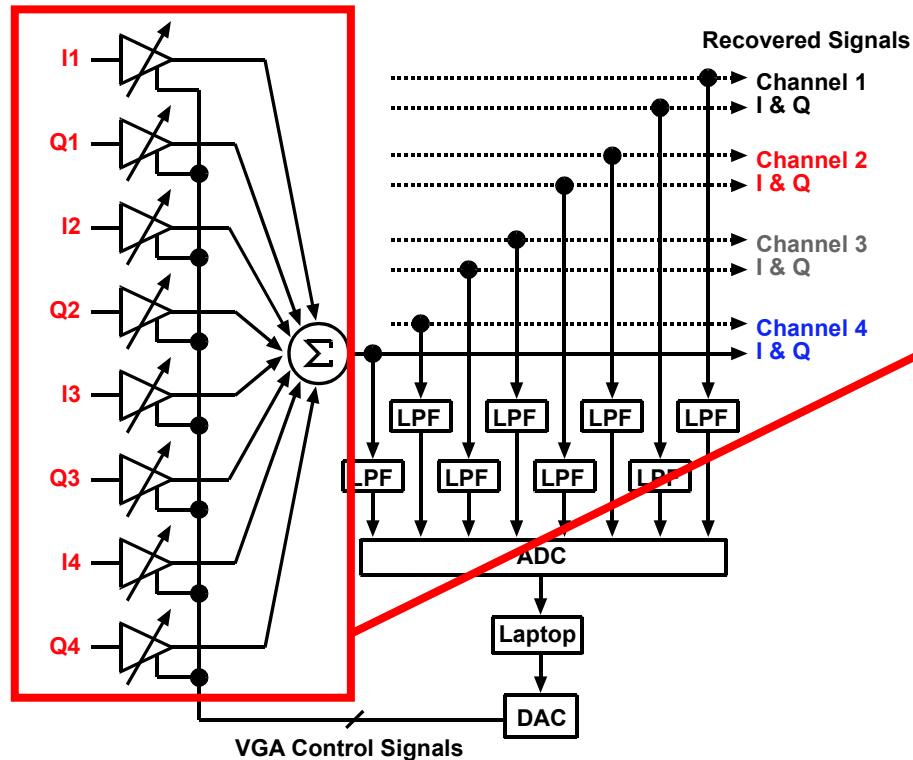
# Transmitter Hardware Prototype



# Receiver Hardware Prototype

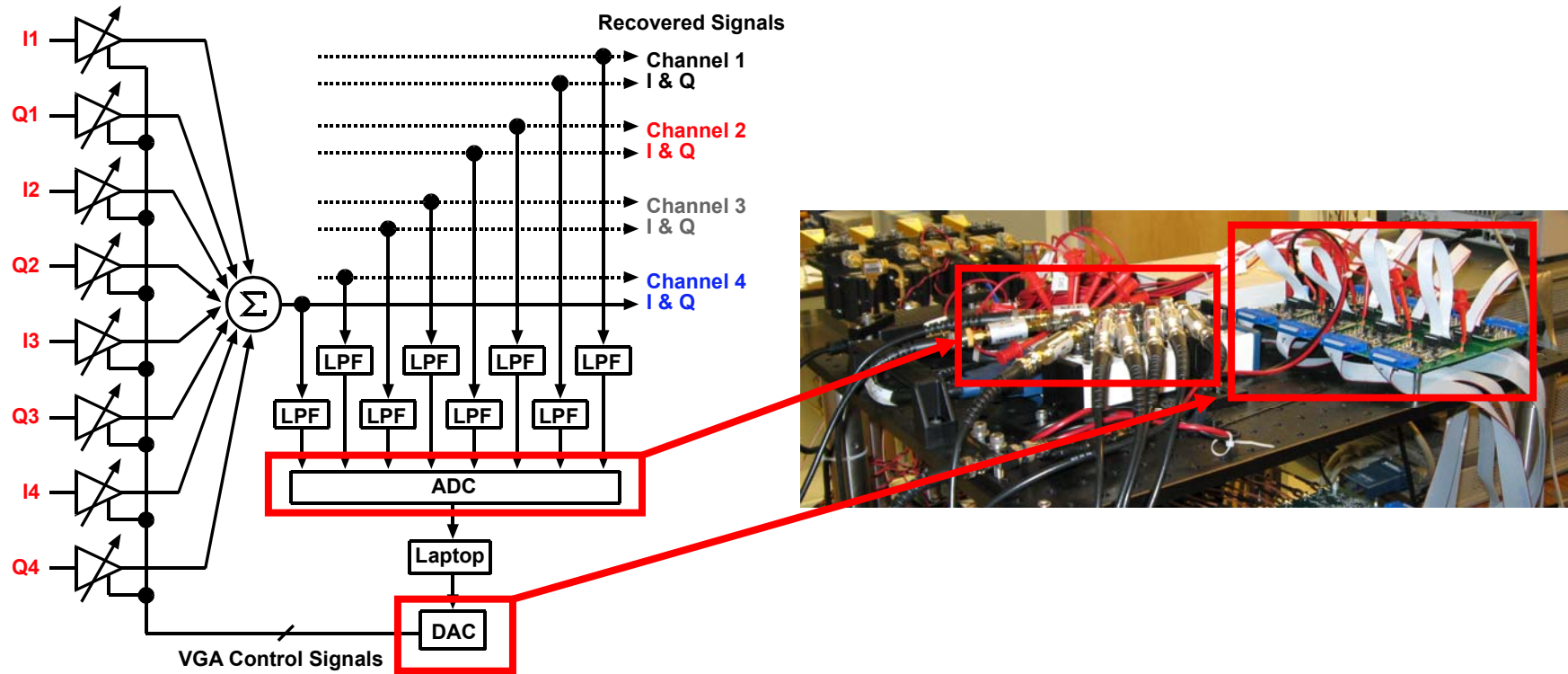


# Channel Separation Prototype



- VGAs are implemented as 4 quadrant analog multipliers using transistor array ICs
- Summation circuit consists of a resistor power combiner

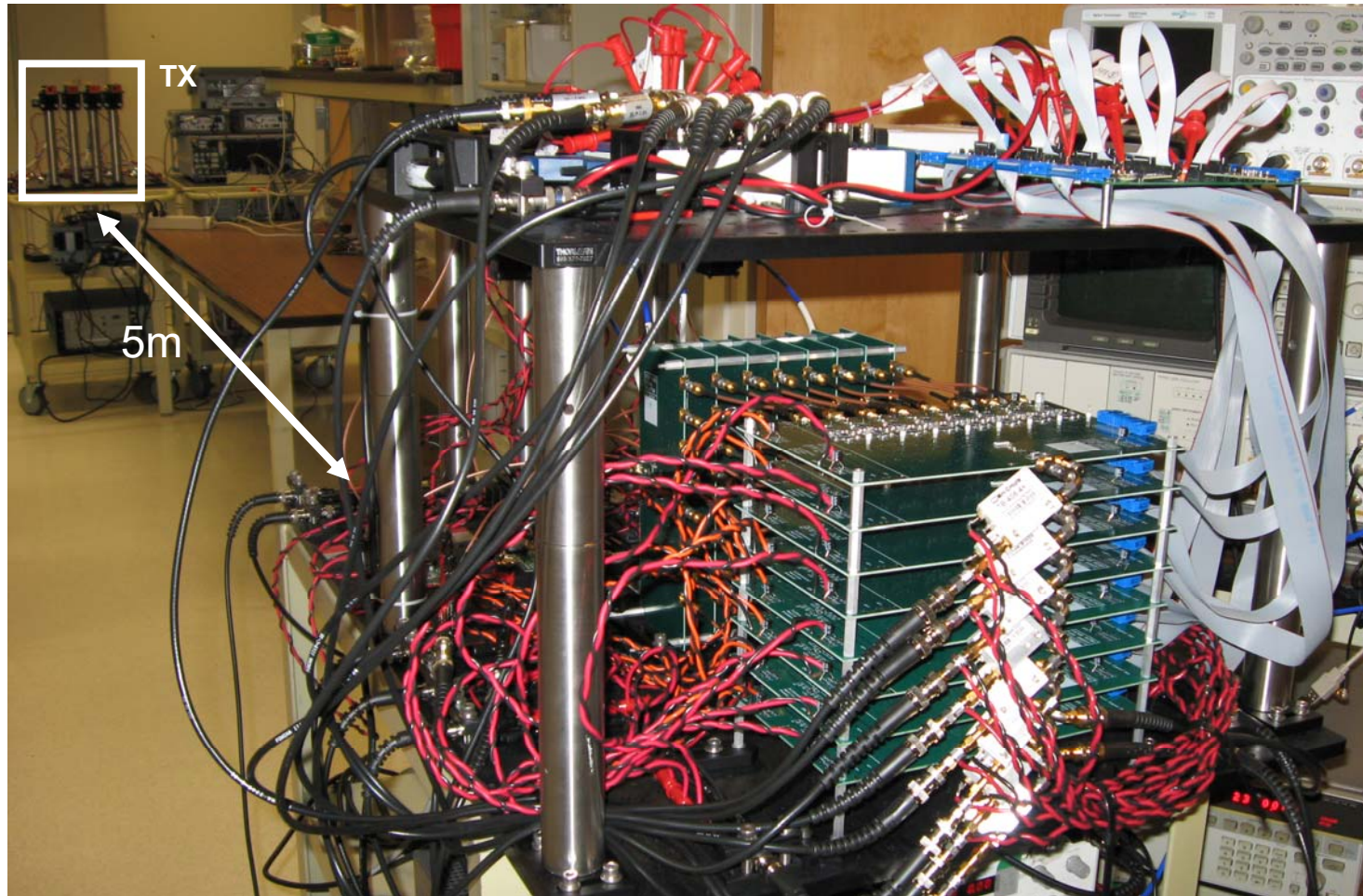
# Channel Identification and Control Loop



- Unique low frequency (25-40kHz) pilot tones added to each transmitter signal
- Control loop sets VGA control signals by maximizing desired pilot tone power
- Pilot tone signals from interfering transmitters are minimized

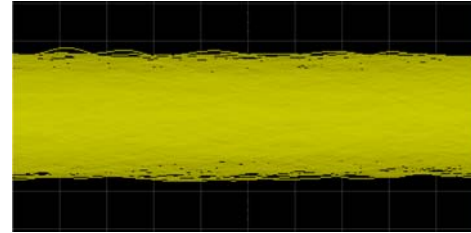


# Indoor Radio Link Experiment



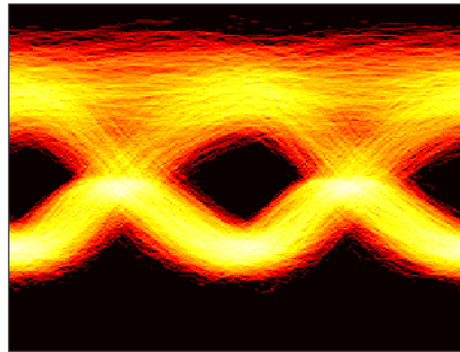
# Time Domain Results

Before Channel Separation

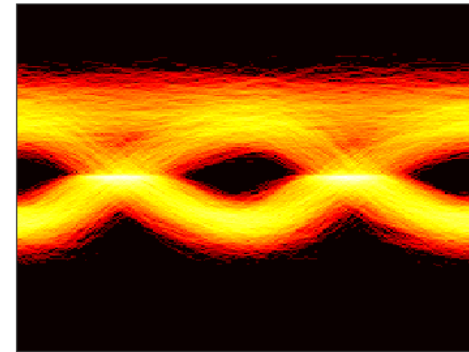


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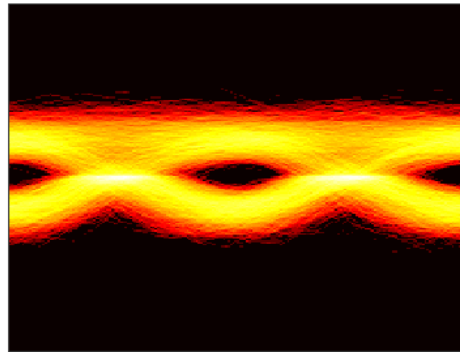
Channel 1



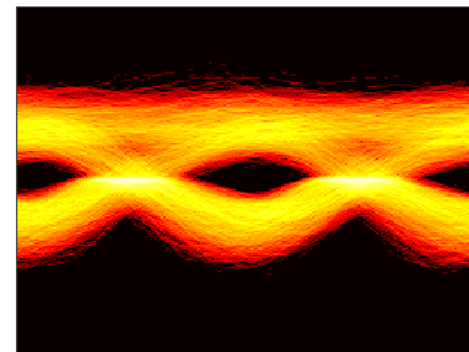
Channel 2



Channel 3

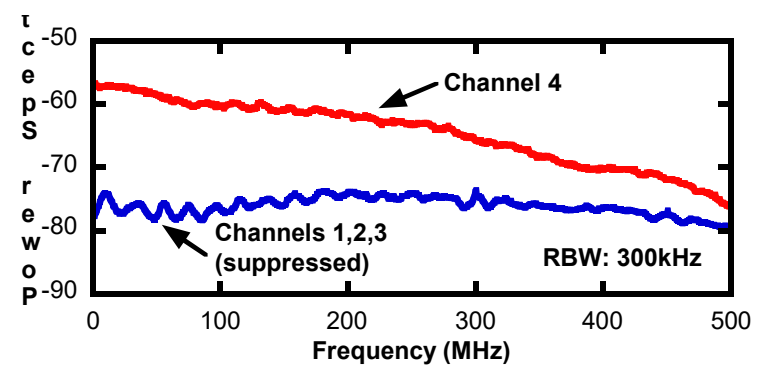
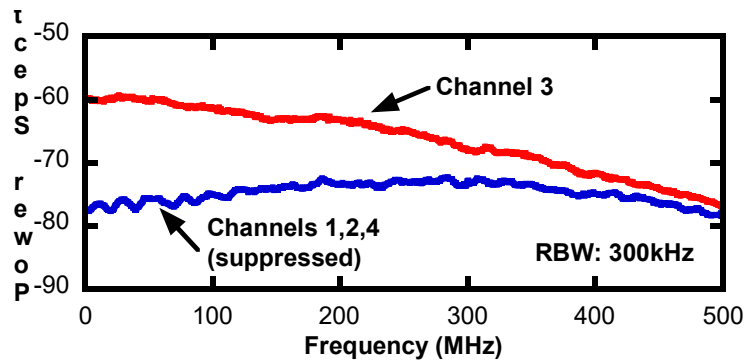
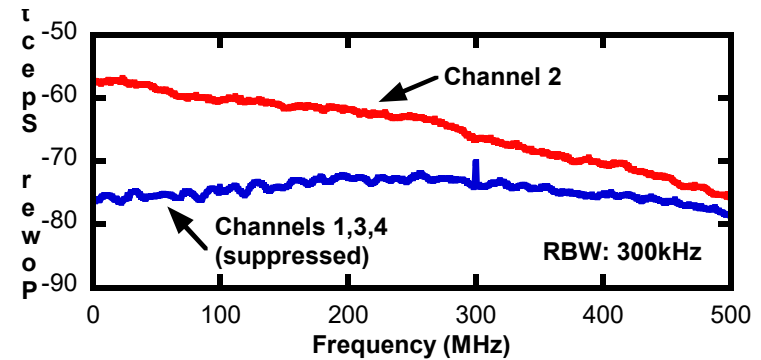
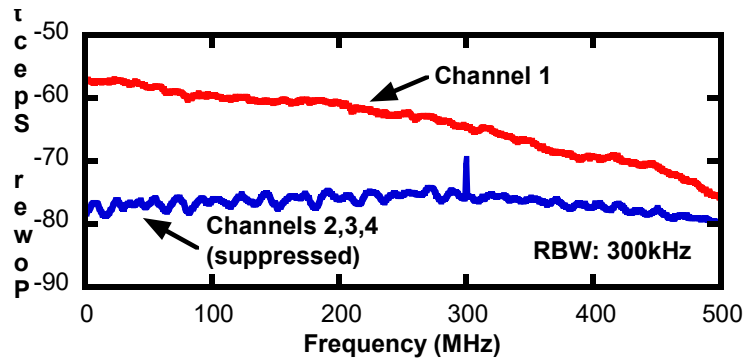


Channel 4



Differential data demodulation performed offline in software

# Frequency Domain Results



| Recovered Channel | BER                  | Signal-to-Interference Ratio (dB) |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1                 | $<10^{-6}$           | 15                                |
| 2                 | $<10^{-6}$           | 12                                |
| 3                 | $1.2 \times 10^{-5}$ | 10                                |
| 4                 | $<10^{-6}$           | 14                                |

# Summary (from ~5 years ago)

- Information-theoretic analysis points to array of subarrays architecture
- Performance varies with TX location, but high spectral efficiencies despite LoS blockage
- Successful brassboarding verifies LOS MIMO geometry
  - Potentially applies to both indoor and outdoor systems
- Many interesting design challenges different from conventional MIMO
  - MIMO Processing for multiGigabit systems: natural hierarchy
  - Robustness to range mismatch
  - MultiGigabit baseband signal processing
  - Diversity/multiplexing tradeoffs for a new class of channels

# Distributed LoS MIMO

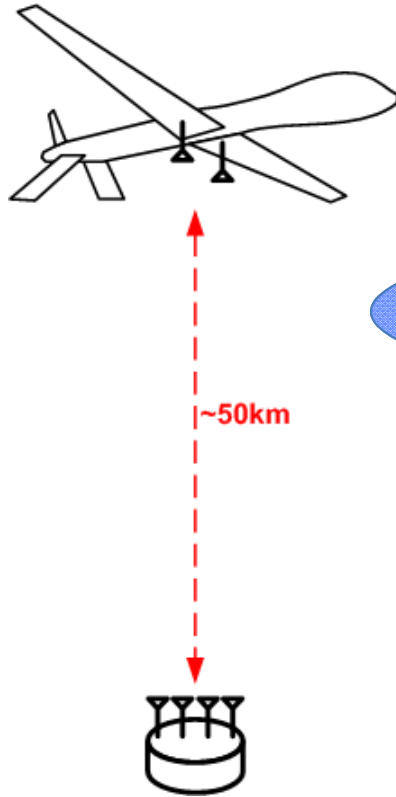
Motivated by DARPA 100G program

# Sidestepping the Rayleigh limit for LoS spatial multiplexing: a distributed architecture for long-range wireless fiber

Andrew Irish, François Quitin, **Upamanyu Madhow** and Mark Rodwell  
University of California, Santa Barbara



# How to get 100 Gbps wireless over 50 km?



**Must throw everything we know at it**

Bandwidth → mm wave band or higher

Power → not THz or optics

Directivity → mm wave band or higher

Spatial multiplexing → geometry must support full rank MIMO matrix

Polarimetric multiplexing → no conceptual hurdles, modulo hardware/signal processing design

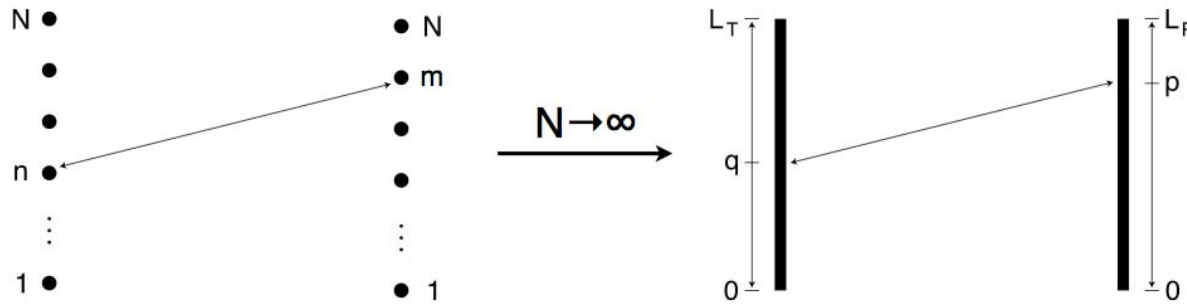
**Focus today**

# LoS spatial muxing: a primer

Torklidson, Madhow, Rodwell, IEEE Trans. Wireless Comm., Dec 2011



# The continuous Shannon limit



$$y_m = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \underbrace{\exp\left(-i \frac{\pi}{\lambda R} (nd_T - md_R)^2\right)}_{h_{m,n}} x_n \quad y(p) = \frac{1}{L_T} \int_{-L_T/2}^{L_T/2} \underbrace{\exp\left(-i \frac{\pi}{\lambda R} (q - p)^2\right)}_{h(q,p)} x(q) dq$$

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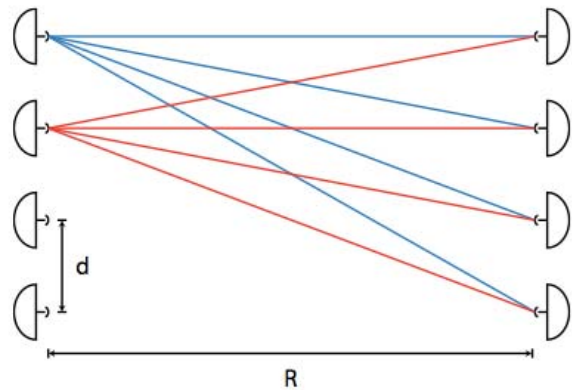
Spatial prolate spheroidal waveforms

$$\frac{L_T^2}{\lambda R} |g_n|^2 \alpha_n(q) = \int_{-L_T/2}^{L_T/2} \frac{\sin 2\pi \frac{L_r}{2\lambda R} (q - q')}{\pi(q - q')} \alpha_n(q') dq'$$

$$|g_n|^2 \approx 0 \text{ for } n > \frac{L_T L_R}{\lambda R} (1 + \epsilon)$$

**Spatial “bandwidth” determined by form factor**

# The discrete Rayleigh limit



$$\mathbf{h}_1 = (1, e^{j\phi}, e^{j2^2\phi}, \dots, e^{j(N-1)^2\phi})^T$$

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$$d = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda R}{N}}$$

## Example

R=10 m,  $\lambda=5$  mm, N=4  
d = 11 cm

Perfect for  
short-range  
indoor 60 GHz  
comms

Generalizes to different spacing at TX and RX

$$d_T d_R = \frac{\lambda R}{N}$$

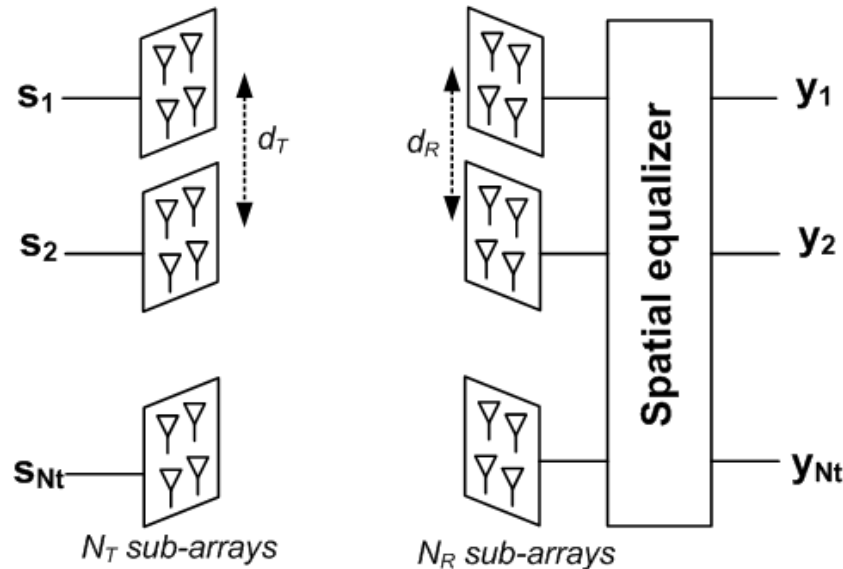
Achieves the spatial degrees of freedom promised by continuous Shannon limit

# Array of subarrays architecture

Discrete array suffices to attain Shannon limit on degrees of freedom

Each element in the array can be a subarray providing beamforming gain

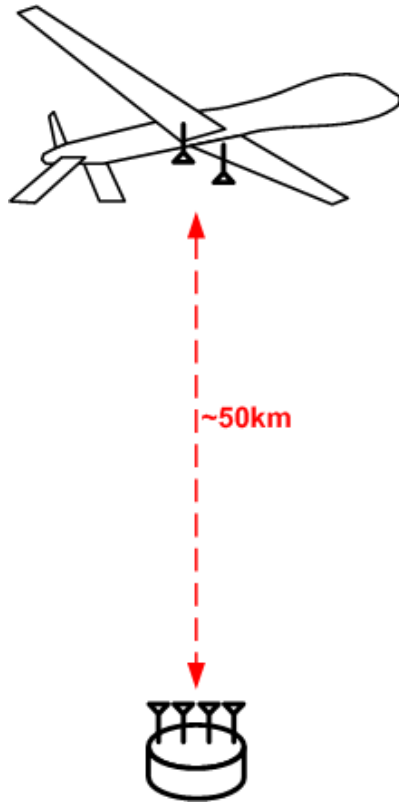
→ **Array of subarrays architecture providing spatial multiplexing + beamforming**



$$d_T d_R = \frac{\lambda R}{N}$$

Back to 100 Gbps long-range link

# We have a problem

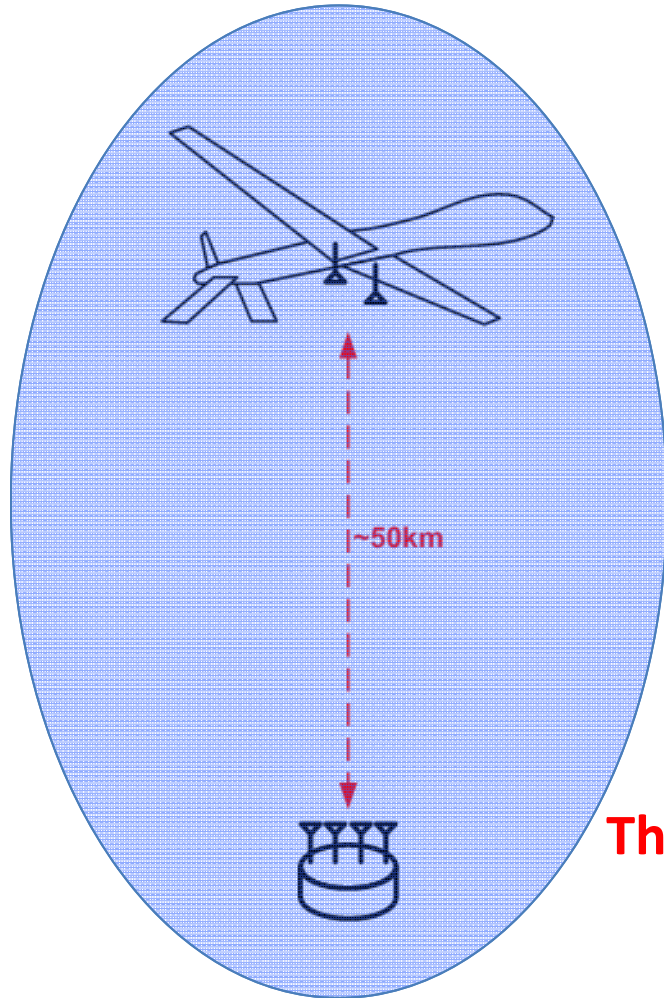


## Example

75 GHz carrier frequency, 50 km range  
Two-fold spatial multiplexing

$$d_T d_R = 100 \text{ m}^2$$

# A dealbreaker?



## Example

75 GHz carrier frequency, 50 km range  
Two-fold spatial multiplexing

$$d_T d_R = 100 \text{ m}^2$$

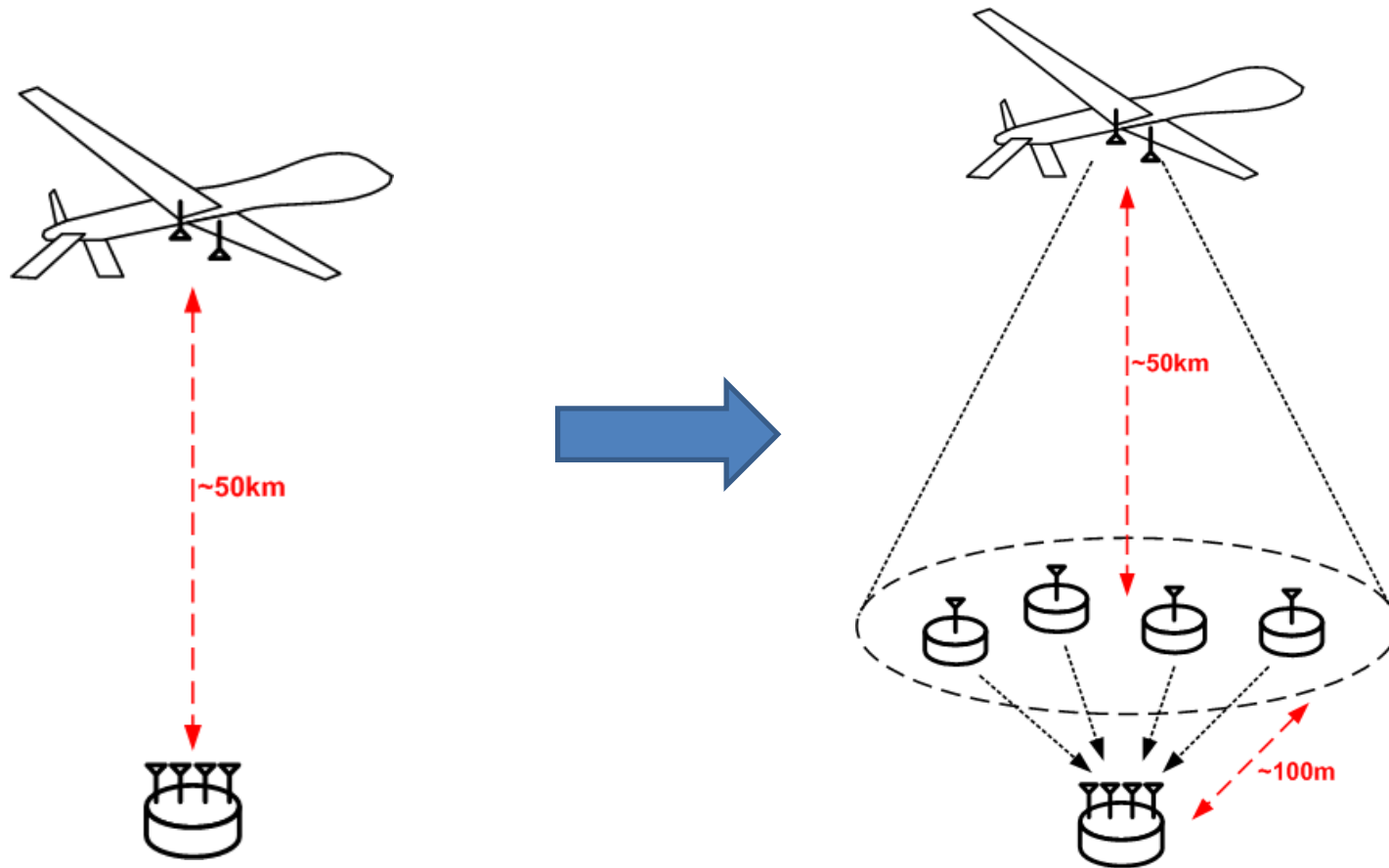
Subarrays 1 m apart on aircraft

➔ Subarrays 100 m apart on the ground!

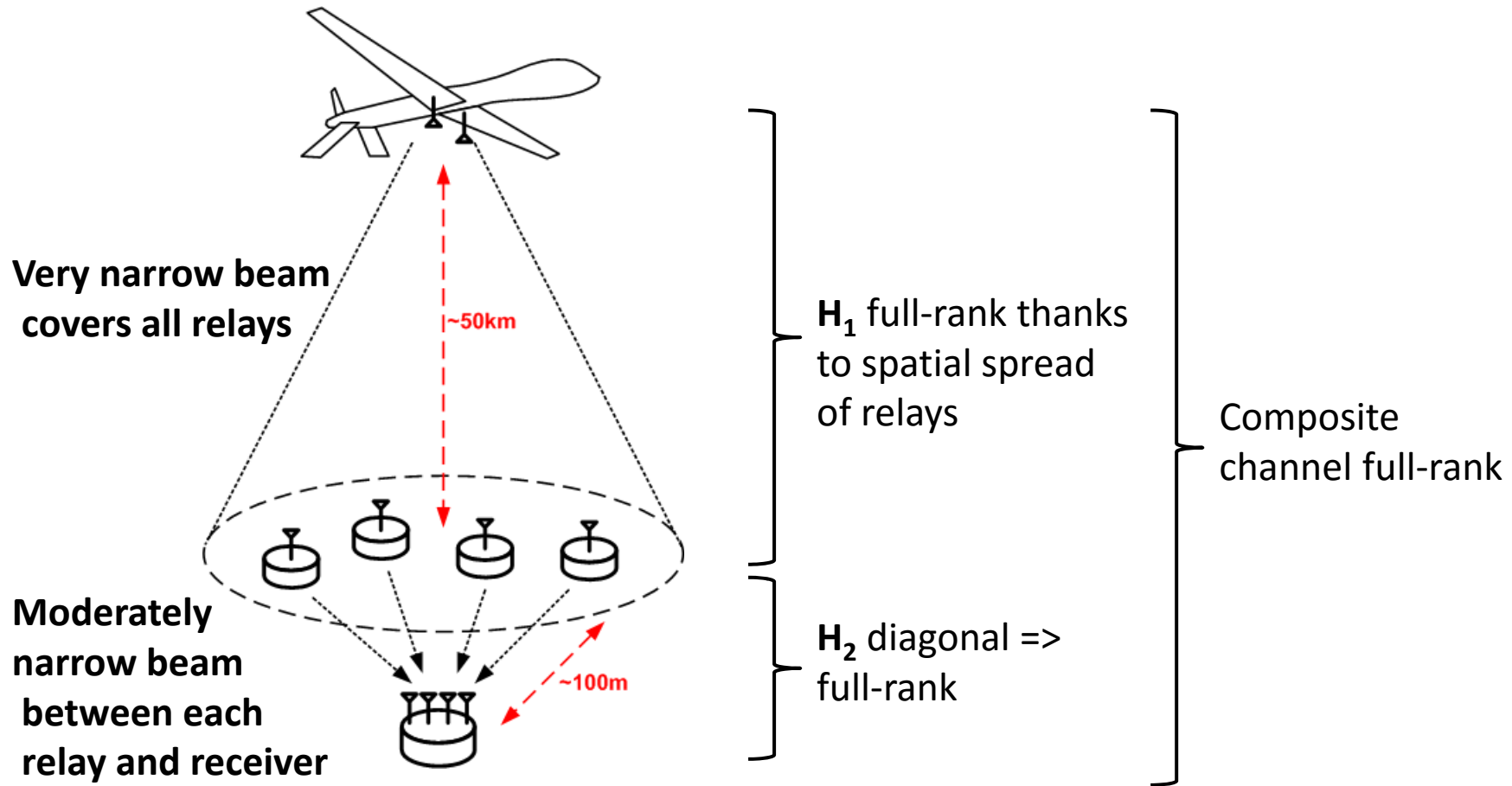
**This picture does not work!**

# Distributed MIMO to the rescue

Synthesize full rank channel by spreading the receiver out



# Anatomy of full rank DMIMO





# Many design questions...

## Level 1

How many relays?

How spread out?

Statistical rather than deterministic  
characterization

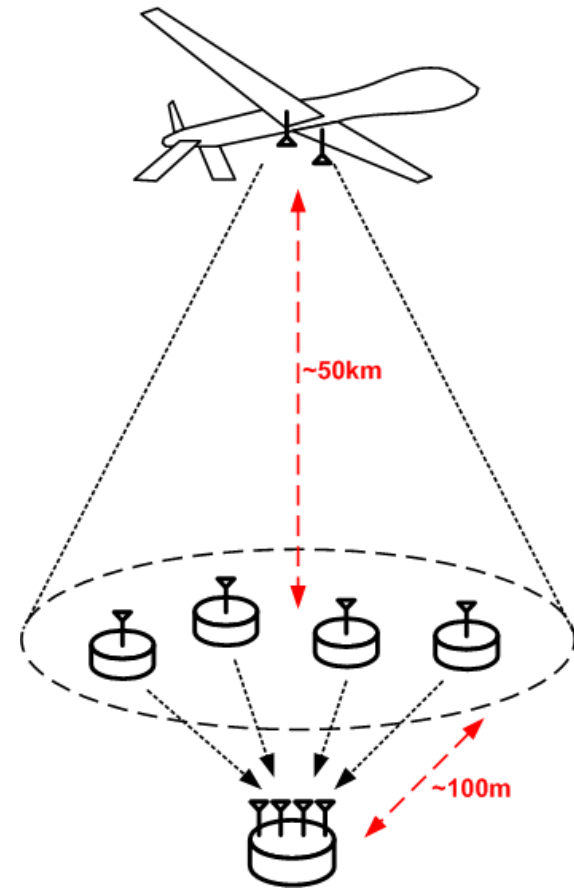
## Level 2

How to attain the link budget?

How to design relaying hardware?

## Level 3

Signal processing architectures and  
algorithms



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Getting enough spatial degrees of freedom

# Modeling relay geometry

TX1 TX2  
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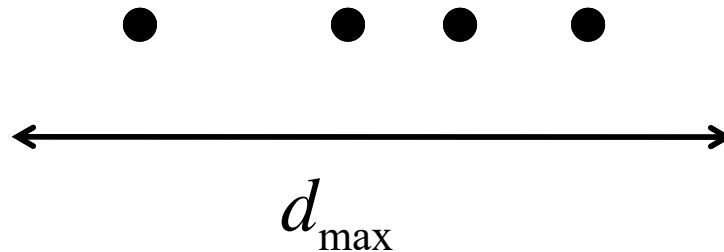
**Model for response of transmitters at relays**

$$\mathbf{h}_1 = (e^{j\theta_{11}}, e^{j\theta_{12}}, e^{j\theta_{13}}, e^{j\theta_{14}})^T$$

$$\mathbf{h}_2 = (e^{j\theta_{21}}, e^{j\theta_{22}}, e^{j\theta_{23}}, e^{j\theta_{24}})^T$$

$$\theta_{ij} \text{ i.i.d., } Unif[0, 2\pi]$$

(for “large enough” dispersal area)



**Randomly dispersed relays**

# Zero-forcing performance

SNR degradation relative to spatial matched filter

$$1 - |\rho|^2$$

$$\rho = \frac{\langle \mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{h}_2 \rangle}{\|\mathbf{h}_1\| \|\mathbf{h}_2\|}$$

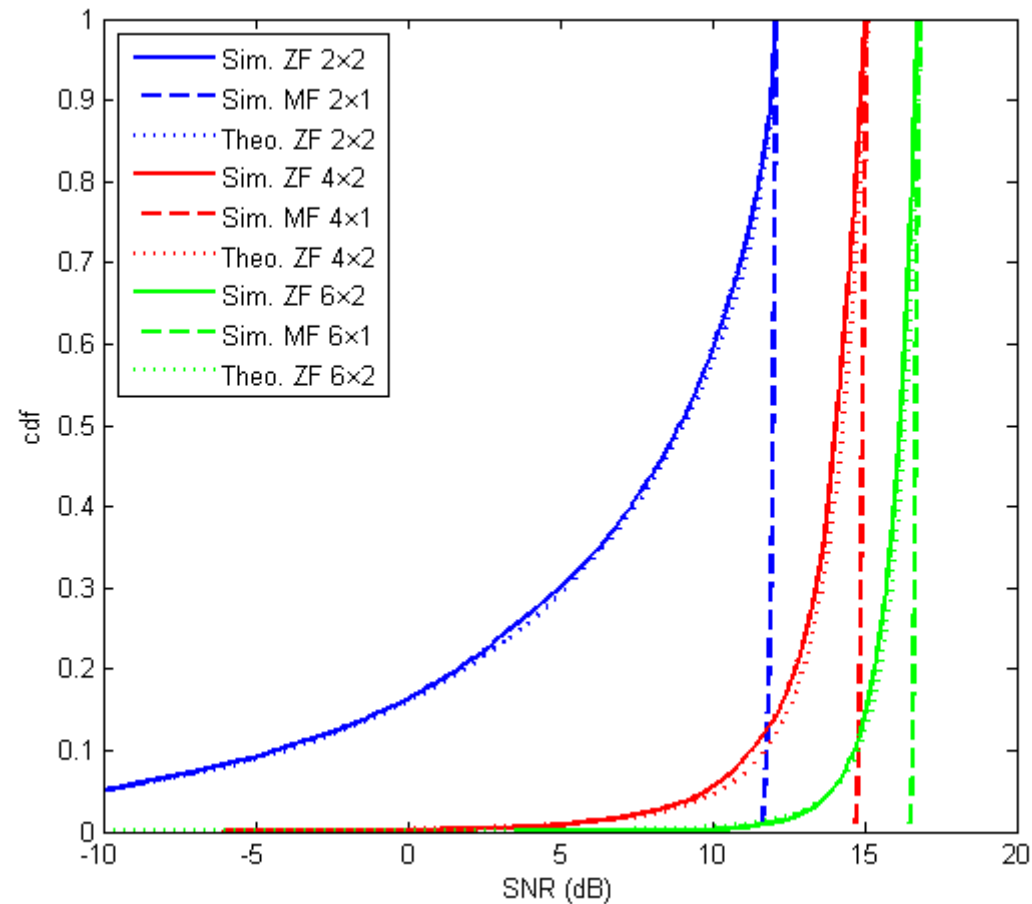
Normalized cross-correlation

$$= \frac{1}{N_r} \sum_{k=1}^{N_r} e^{j(\theta_{1k} - \theta_{2k})}$$

→ apply CLT for moderately large number (4,6) of relays  
(and exact analysis for 2 relays)

→ for “large” number of relays,  $|\rho|^2$  exponential with mean  $1/N_r$

## 2 streams, 2-6 relays spread over 200 m



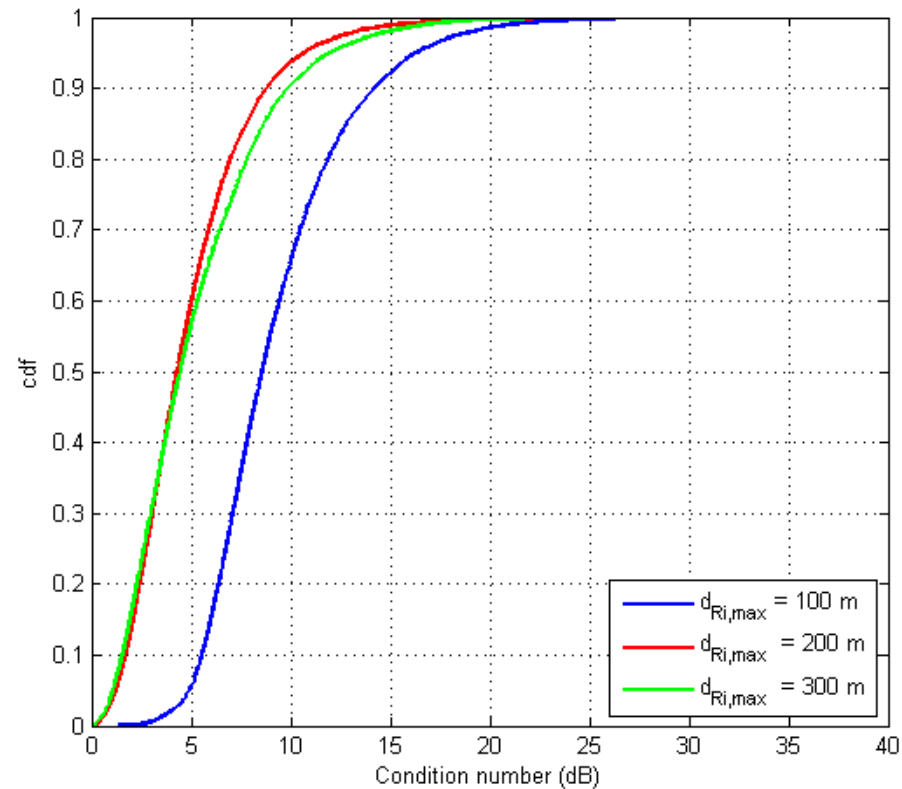
**Noise enhancement from ZF demuxing not too bad for 4-6 relays**

**Performance with 2 relays is too variable**

**Analytical approximation closely matches simulations**

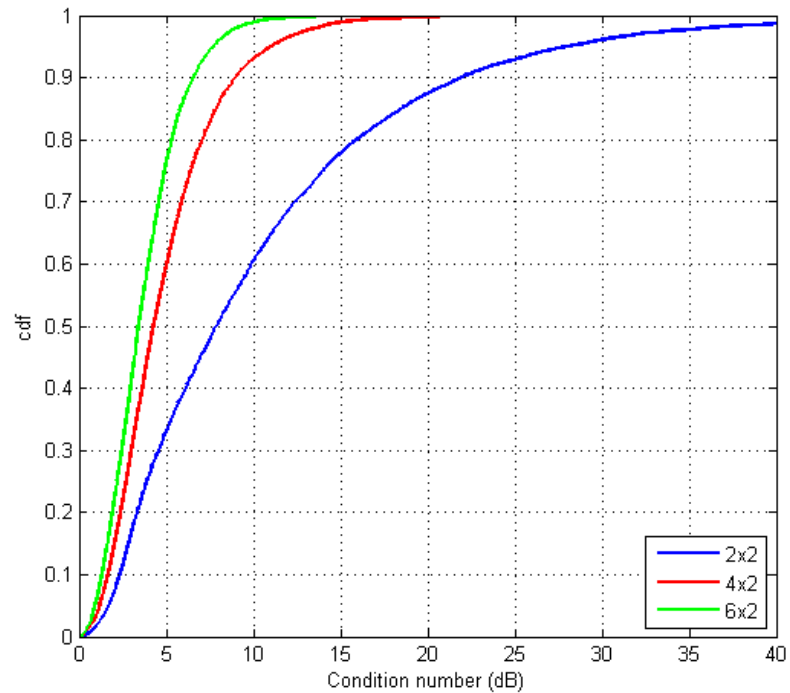
# The effect of relay spread on channel rank

Spreading the relays over twice the Rayleigh limit achieves best rank



# The effect of relay number on channel rank

Increasing the number of relays/Rx improves the matrix rank



# Level 2

Getting enough power



# 50 km is difficult to achieve

Even with optimistic propagation assumptions...

$$P_r = P_t + G_t + G_r - PL - AL - L$$

52 dBi      164 dB      25 dB      10 dB

For 8.9 dB receive SNR (sufficient for high-rate coded QPSK):

TX power of 34 dBm even with 52 dBi beamformers on each side

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- 1) Mechanically steerable dish antenna and III-V power amplifier
- 2) 32x32 electronically steerable array with 22 dBi per-element gain and 12 dBm per-element power (**achievable in silicon**)

**Much cooler!**

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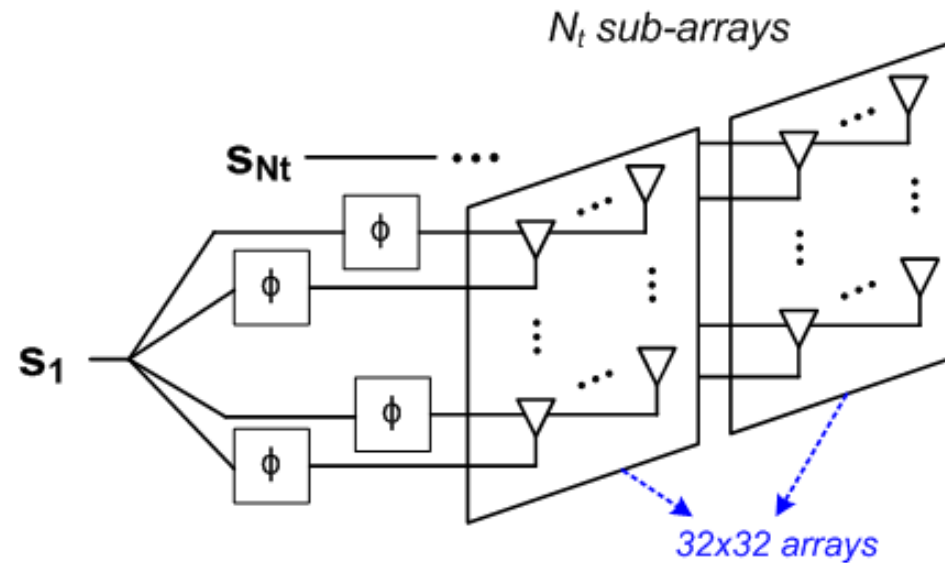
We're finally ready to talk about transceiver design...

# Transmitter

Array of 1000-element subarrays

Subarrays provide beamforming gain

$N_t$  data streams, one on each subarray

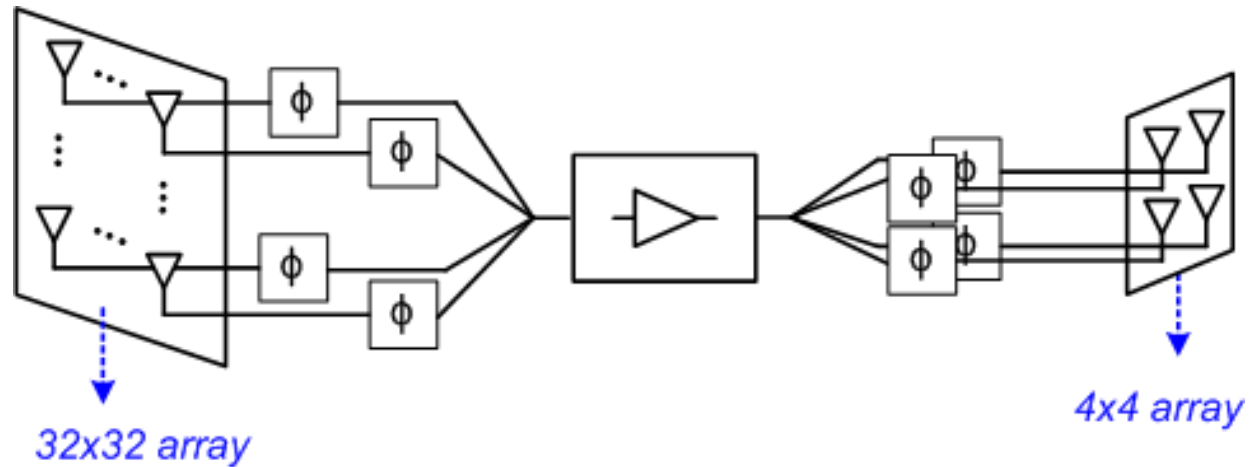


0.5 degree beam at 50 km covers 400 m → can cover all relays with one beam  
We know how to do RF beamforming with 1000-element arrays (ITA 2012)

# Relay

1000-element sky-facing subarray: receive beamforming over long link

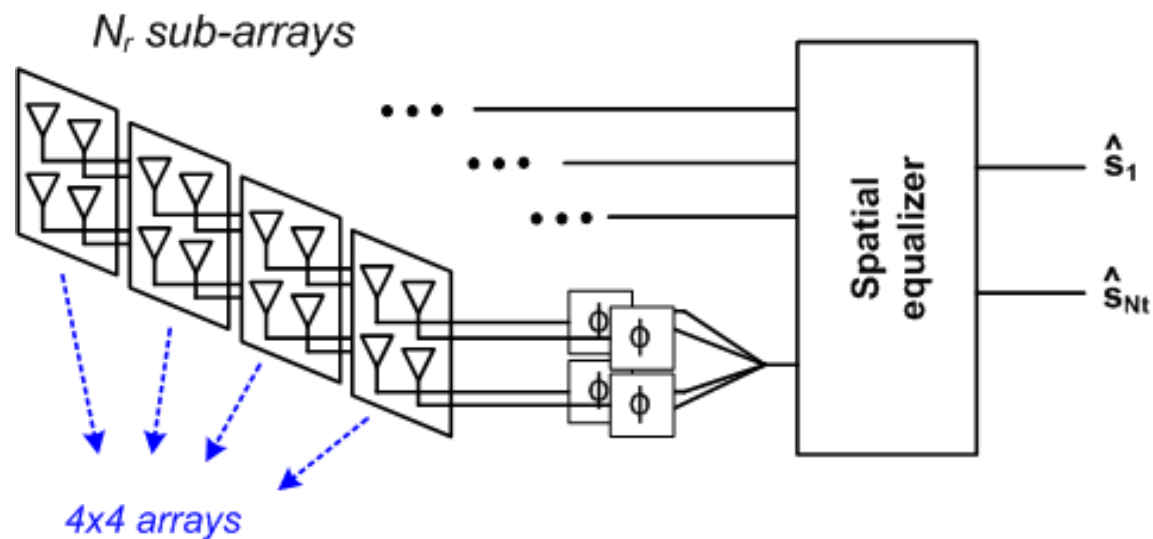
Smaller subarray: transmit beamforming over short link to receiver



# Receiver

$N_r$  subarrays, one for each relay

Receive beamforming from subarray to relay creates diagonal relay-RX channel



Wrapping up

# The good news

- Long-range “wireless fiber” is more attainable than we think
  - 5 GHz x dual polarization x 4-fold spatial multiplexing x 2.5 bps/Hz = 100 Gbps
- Distributed architecture can get around form factor constraints to provide spatial muxing



# Many challenges remain

- Building very large subarrays
  - 1000-element arrays to get desired directivity and reasonable power per element
- Relay design
  - FDD first, then full duplex?
- High spectral efficiency at high bandwidths → high dynamic range required
  - How best to handle the ADC bottleneck?
- Adaptive signal processing at multiple layers

# Achieving multiple degrees of freedom in long-range mm-wave MIMO channels using randomly distributed relays

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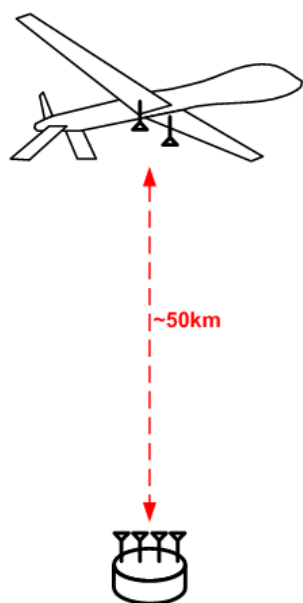


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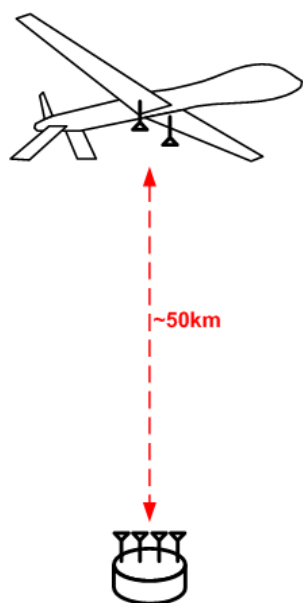
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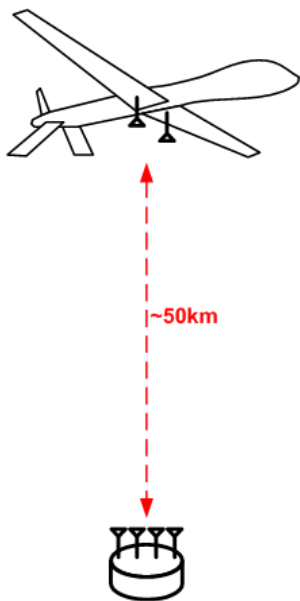


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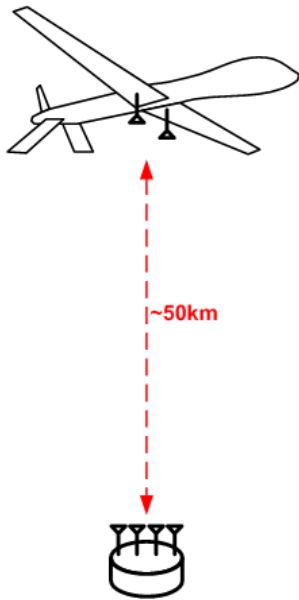


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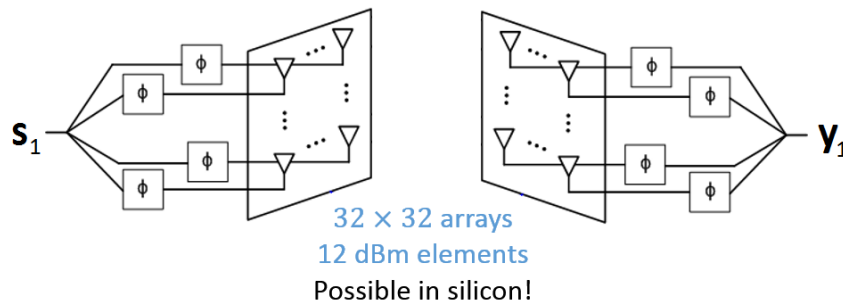
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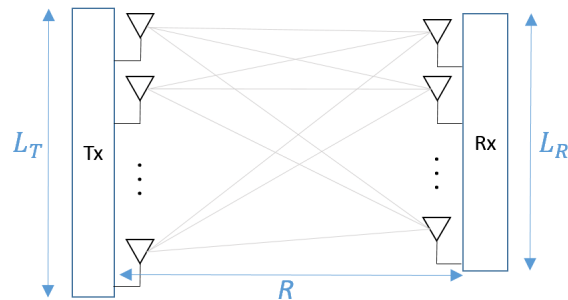
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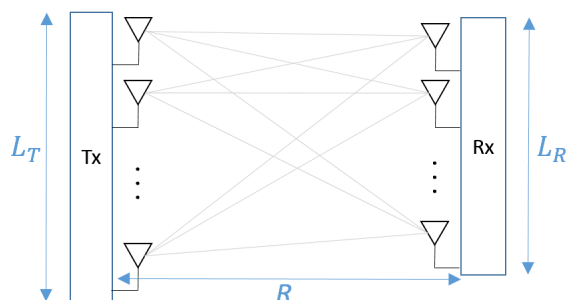


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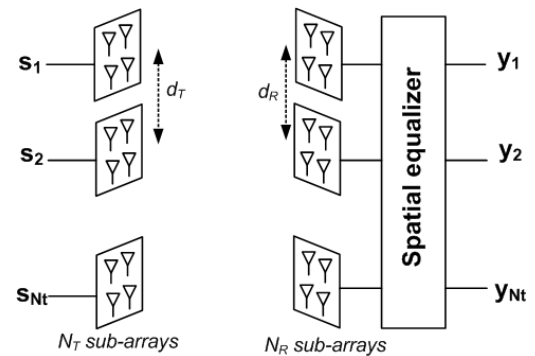
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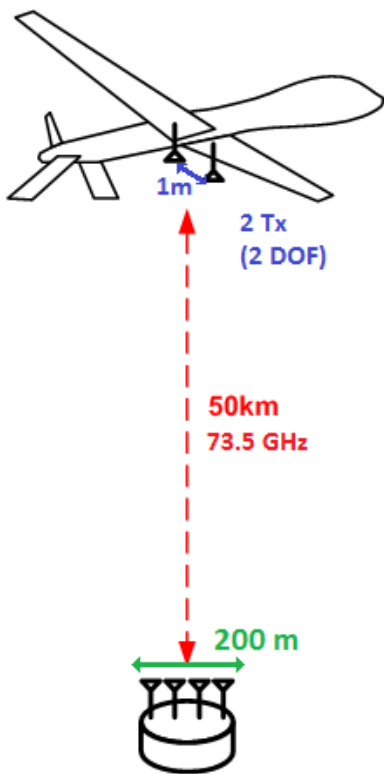


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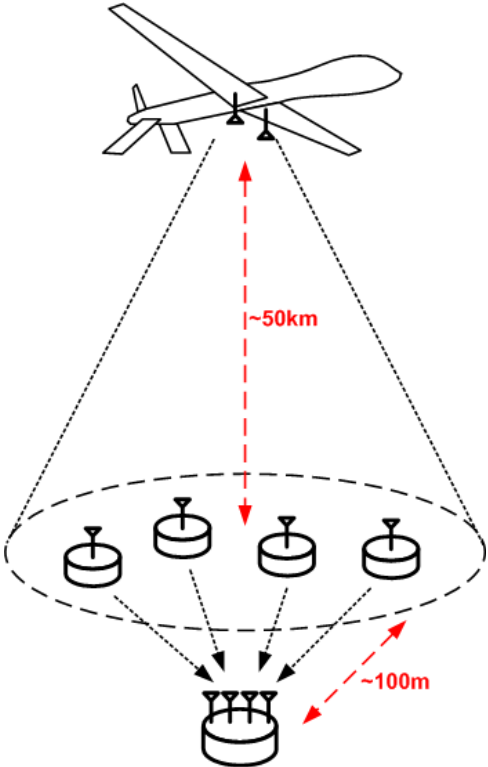


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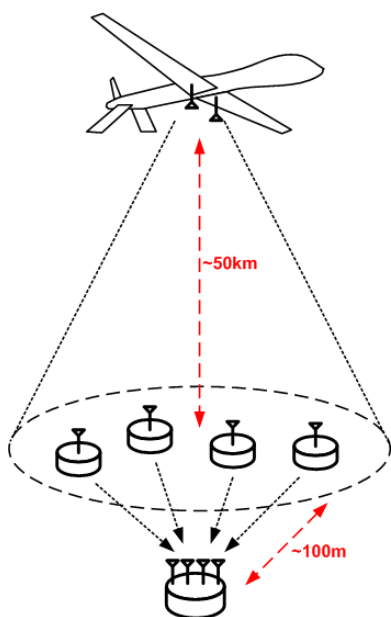
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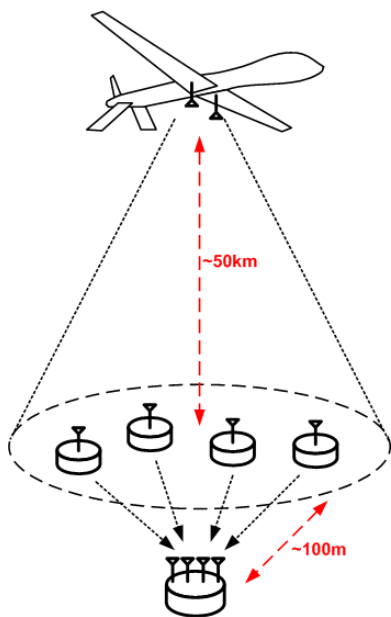
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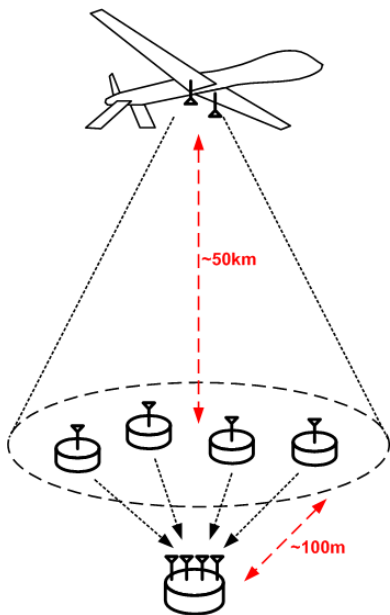


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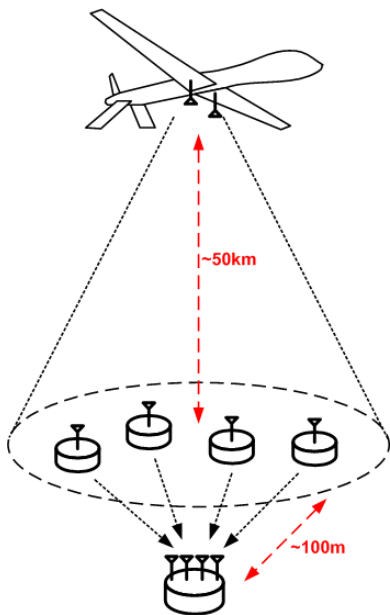
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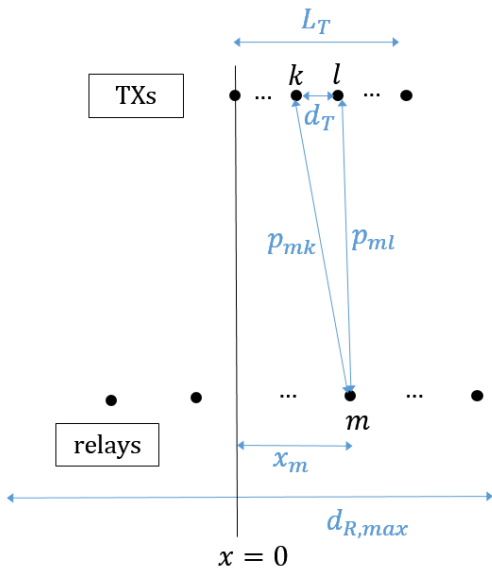
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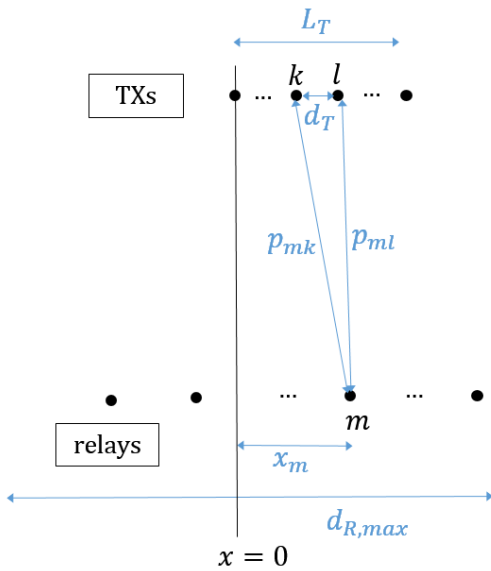


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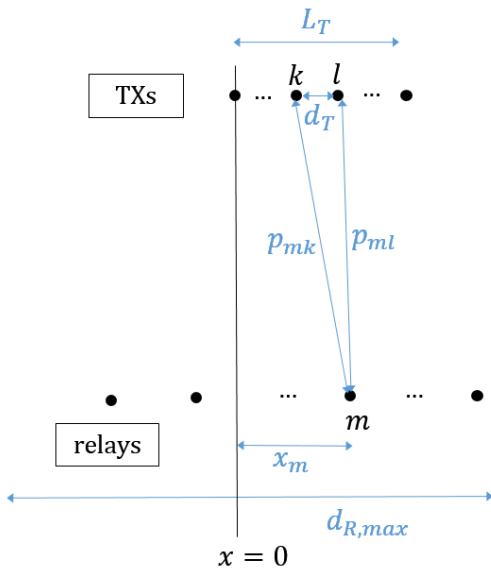
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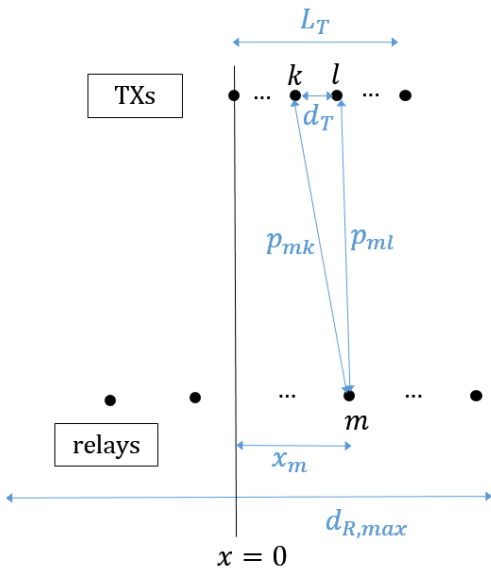


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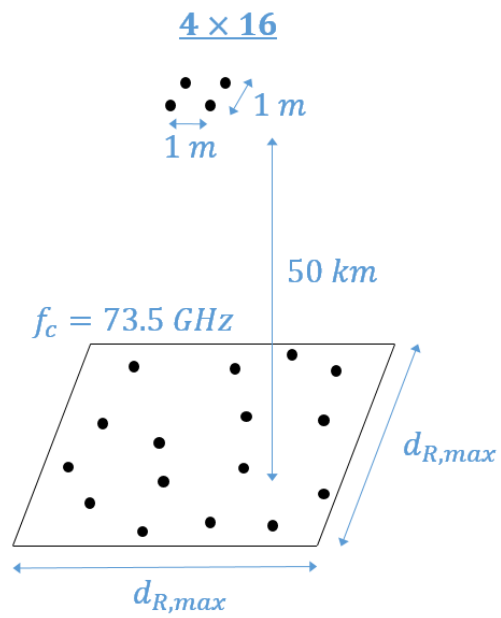
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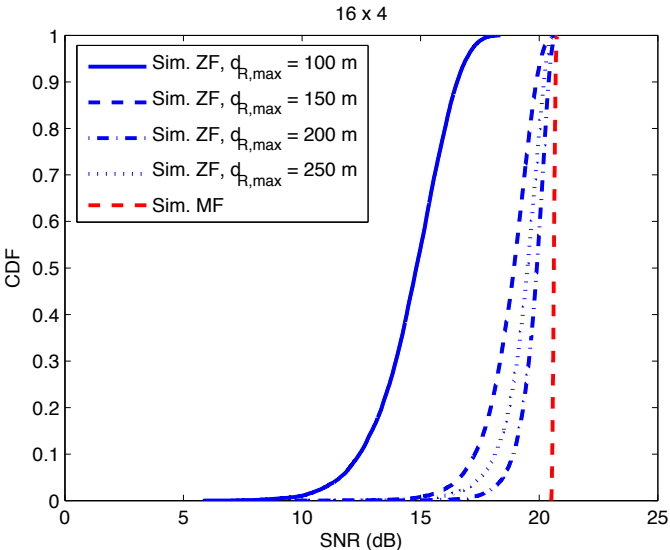
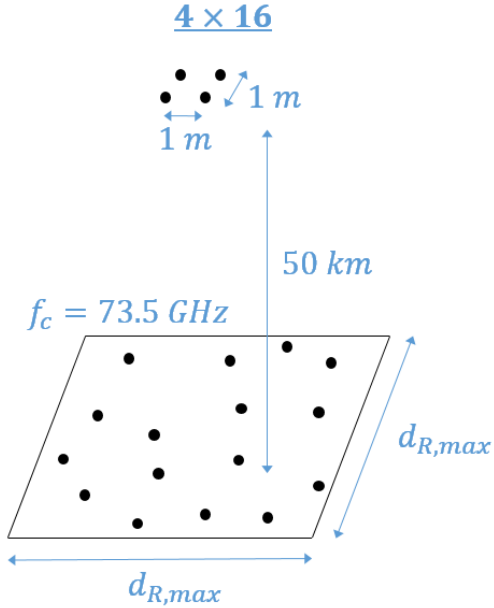
*Consider a regular square Tx array with minimum inter-element spacing of  $d_T$ . If relays are placed uniformly in a square of side  $\frac{\lambda R}{d_T}$  then spatial responses are uncorrelated on average.*

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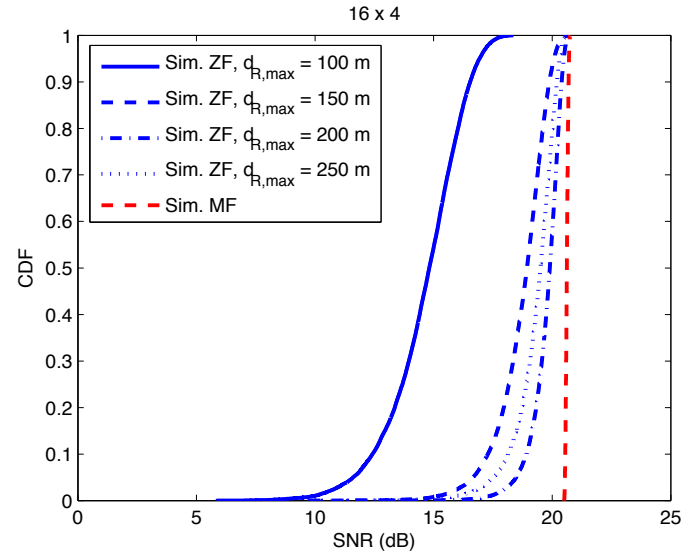
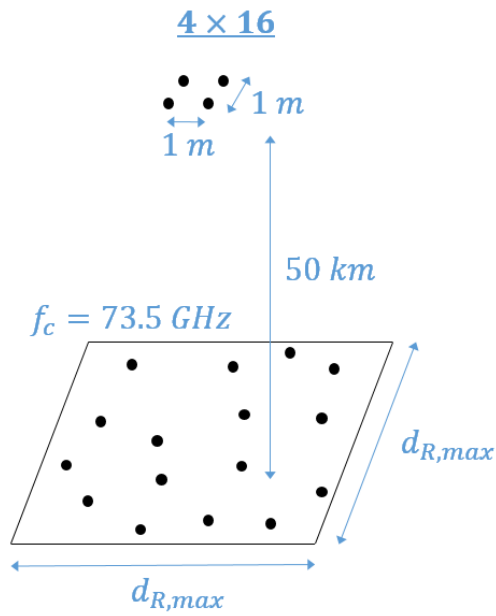
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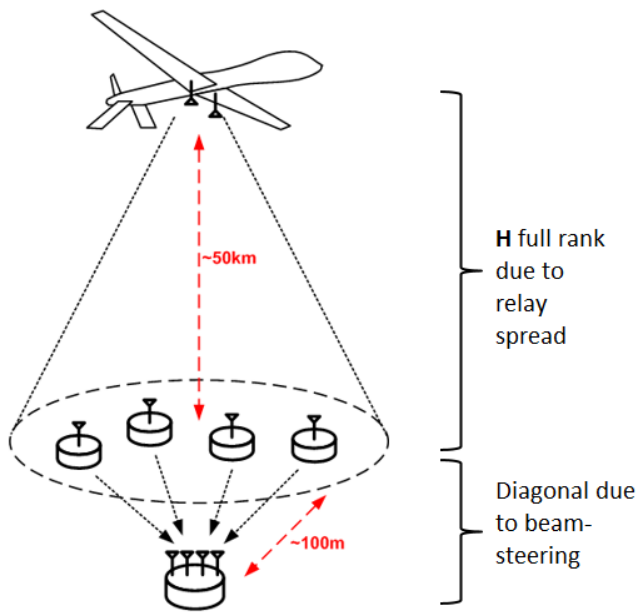


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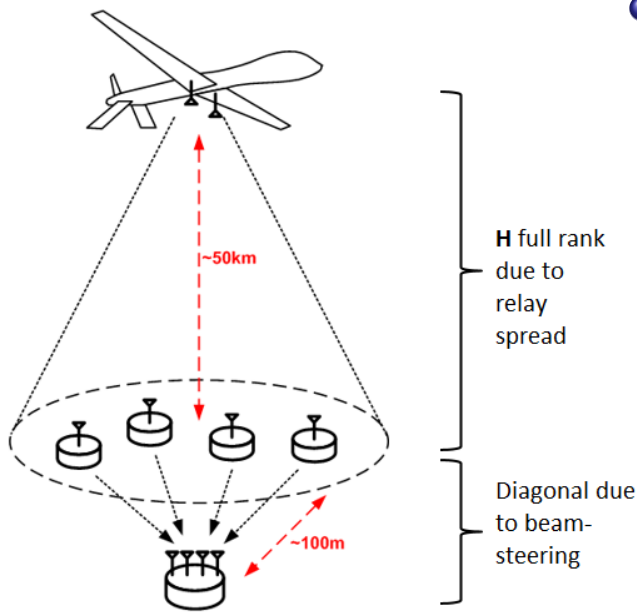
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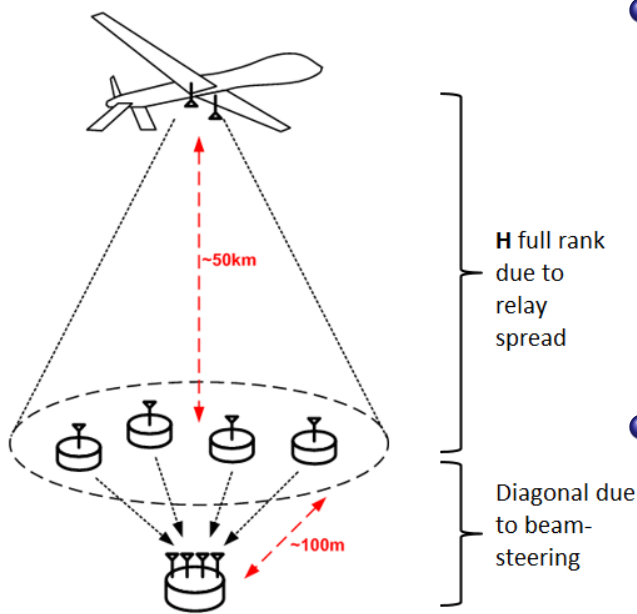
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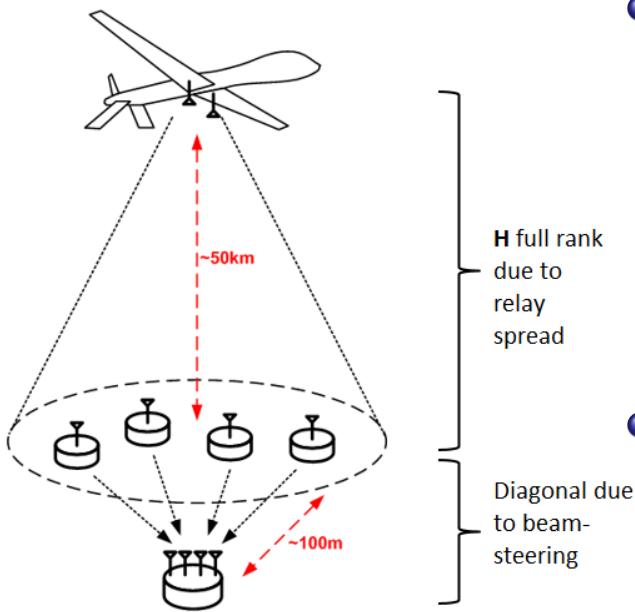


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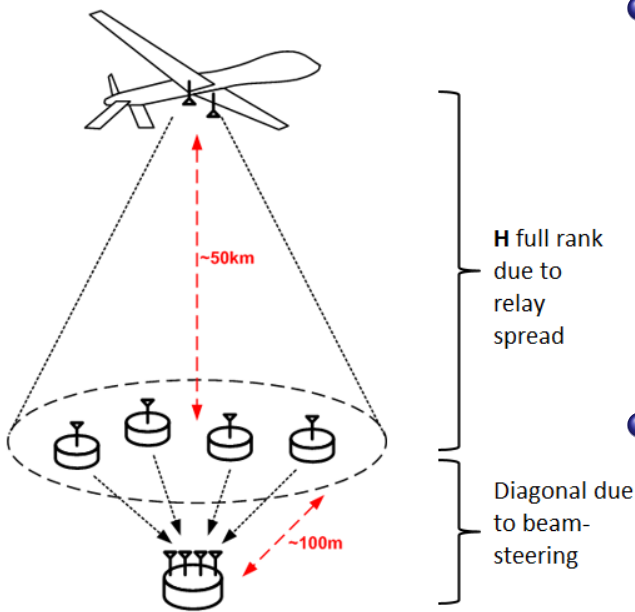
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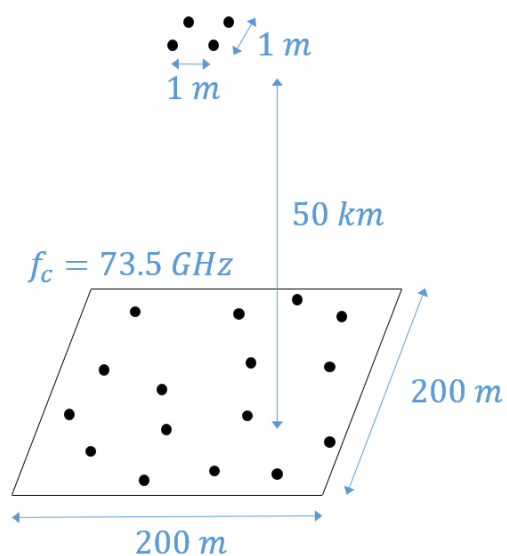
- ▶ *Flip view:*  $\mathbf{h}_1$  is randomly oriented w.r.t. fixed interf. subspace

⇒ Entries of  $\mathbf{h}_1$  can be thought as i.i.d. circular Gaussian RVs

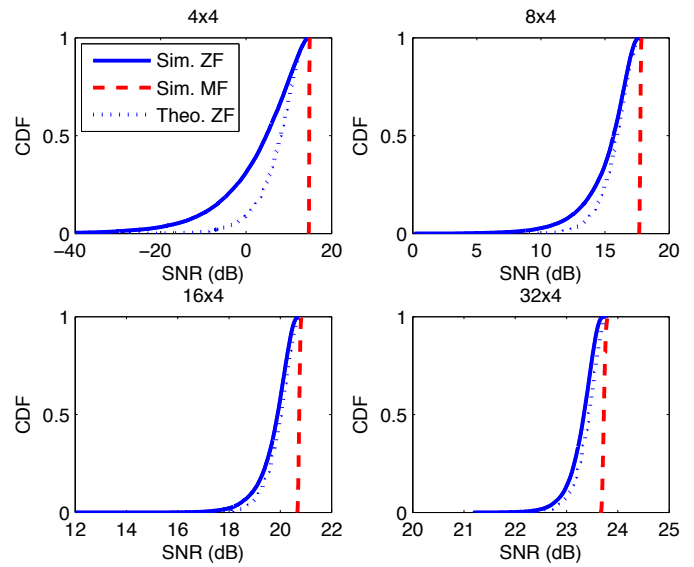
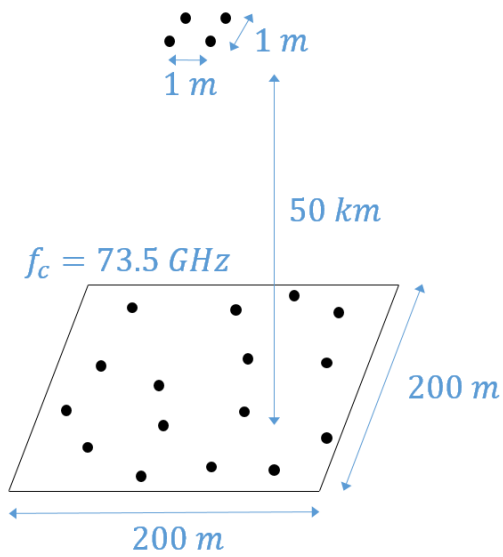
⇒ Signal/interf. energy are independent Chi-squared RVs

$\Delta = \frac{P_s}{P_s + P_i} \Rightarrow$  ZF SNR gain is a Beta RV

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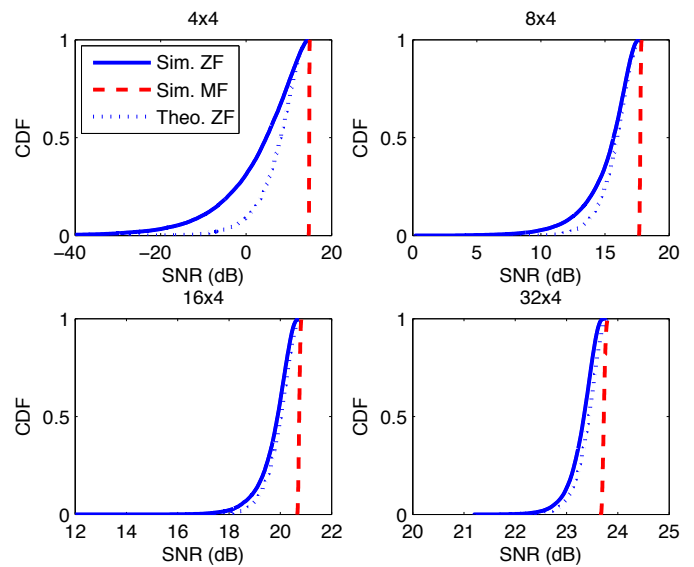
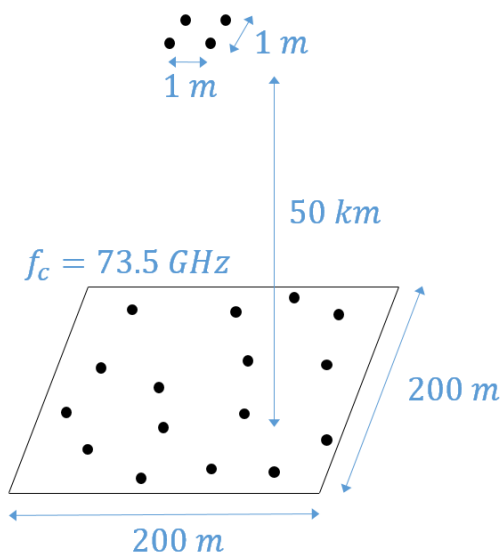


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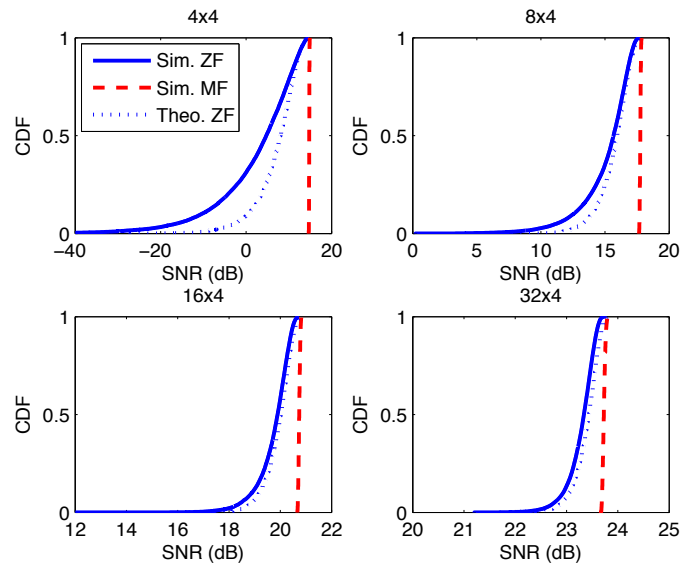
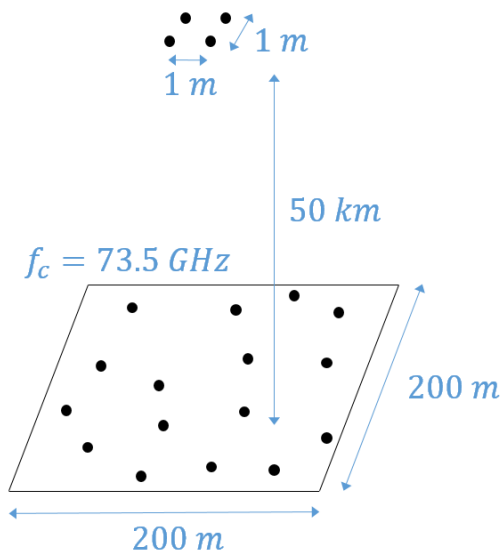


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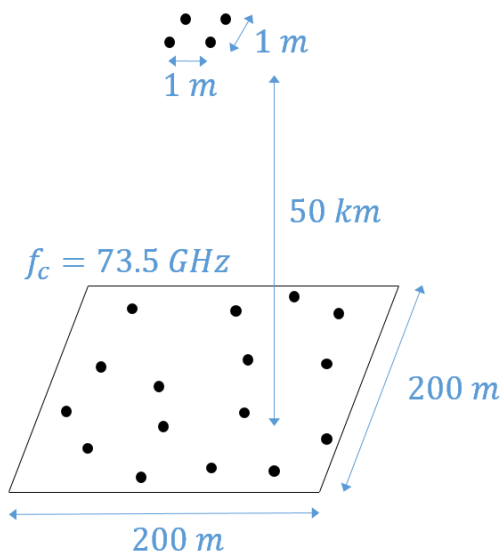
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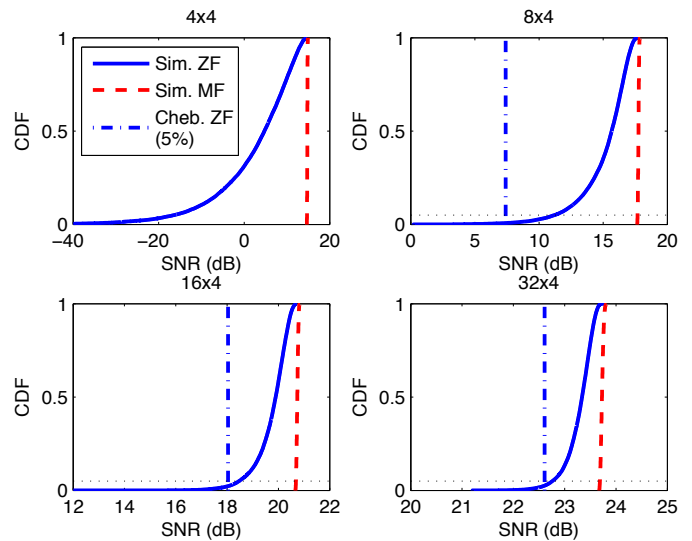
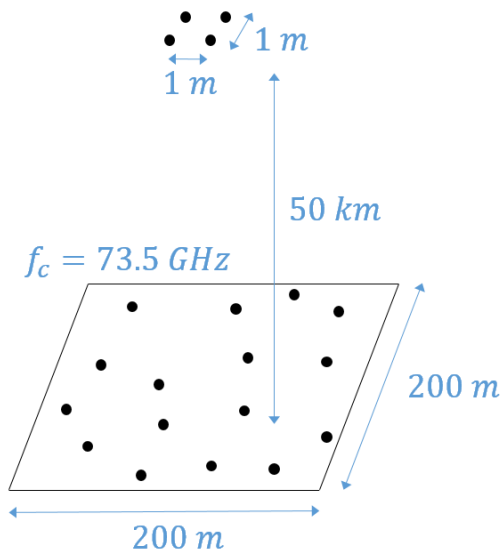


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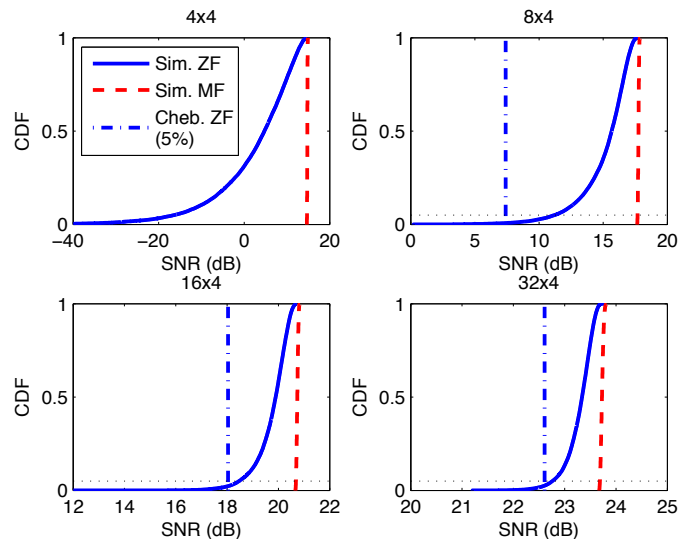
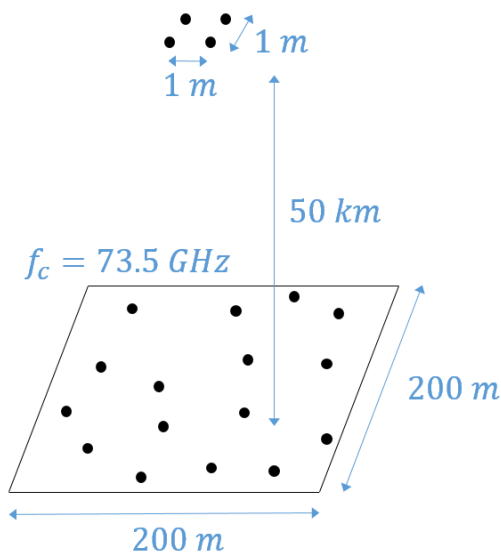
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- **5 % Chebyshev bound is tight:** optimized over  $2 \leq k \leq 30$ 
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PART I

# INTRODUCTION



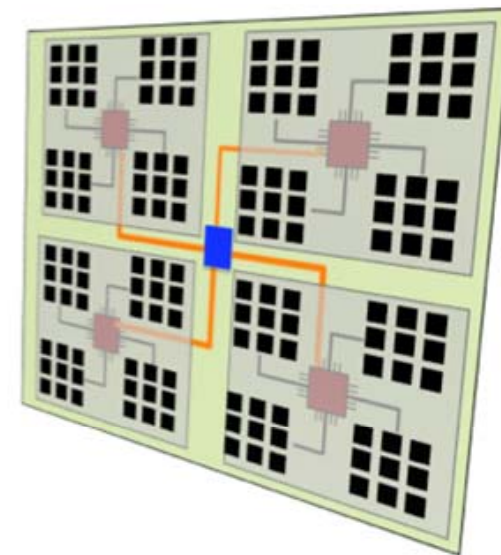
# LoS MIMO: Spatial Multiplexing

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- Spatial Multiplexing over pure Line-of-Sight channel at mm-wave
- Degrees of freedom of a 2-dimensional LoS MIMO channel

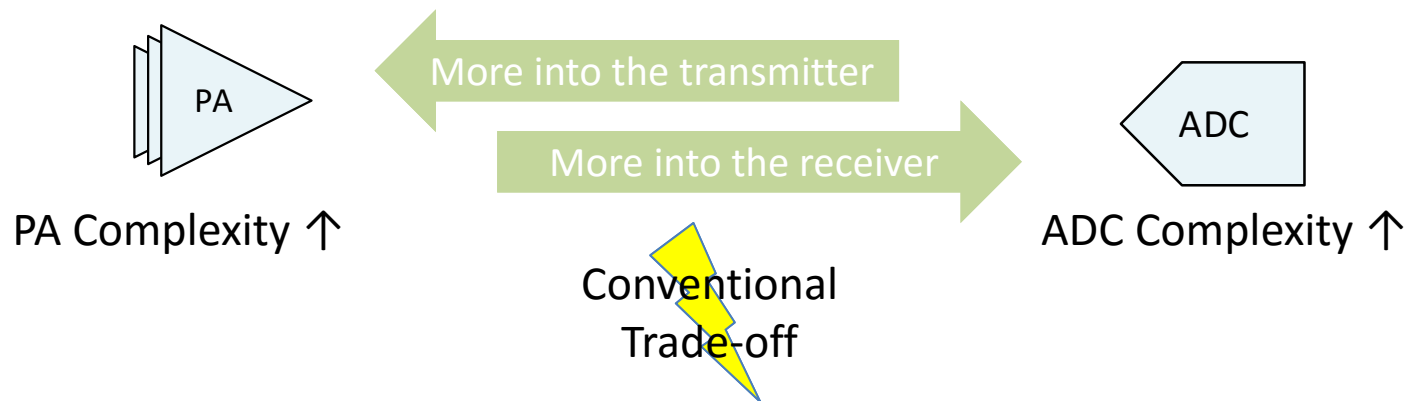
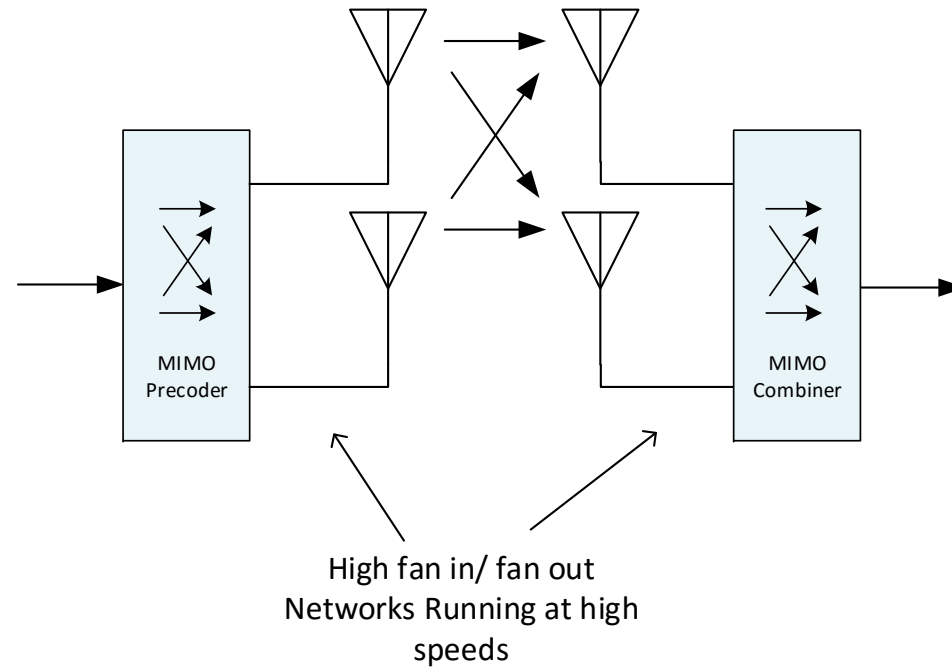
$$\text{DoF} \approx \left( \frac{L_T L_R}{R\lambda} \right)^2$$

- Leads to an array of sub-arrays
  - ✓ Sub-arrays provide beamforming gain
  - ✓ Array of sub-arrays provides spatial multiplexing gain



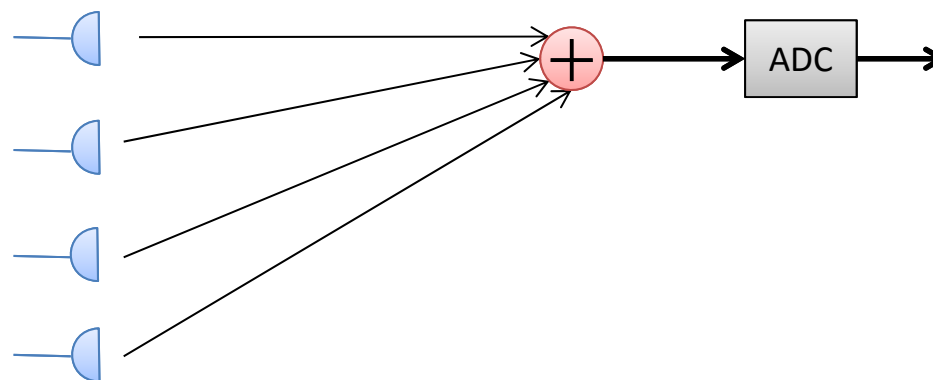
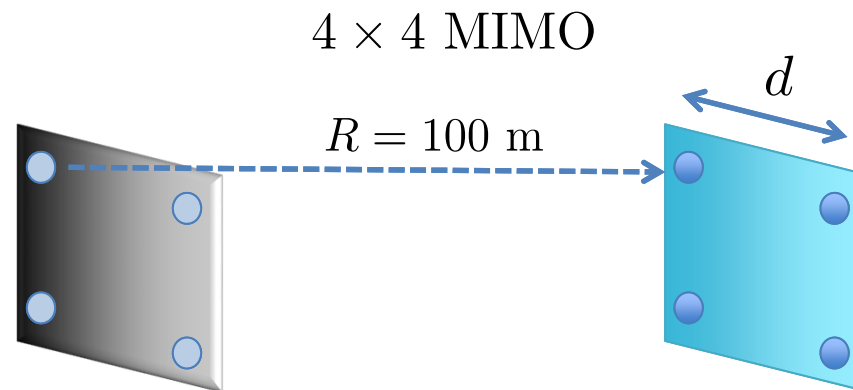
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# ADC Bottleneck at High Rates

Frequency: 130 GHz  
Data rate : 20 Gbps/real dim  
Overall data rate: 160 Gbps

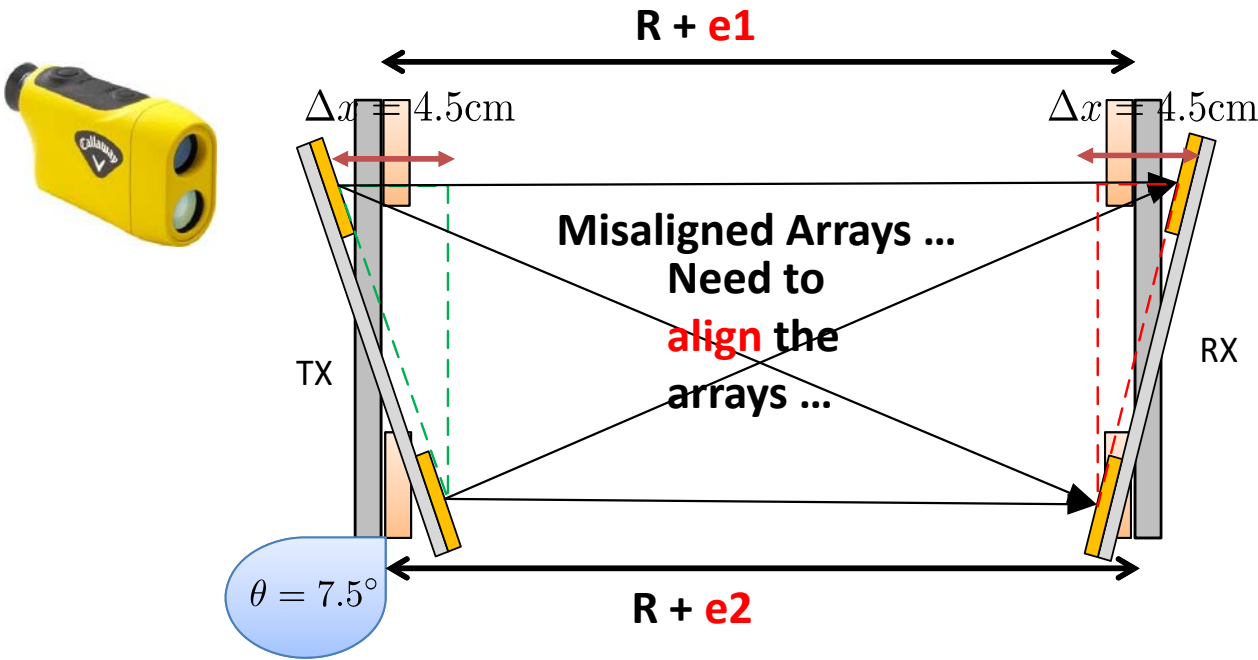


Large dynamic range → higher resolution  
High data rate → higher sampling rate



hard to realize!

# Misaligned Array



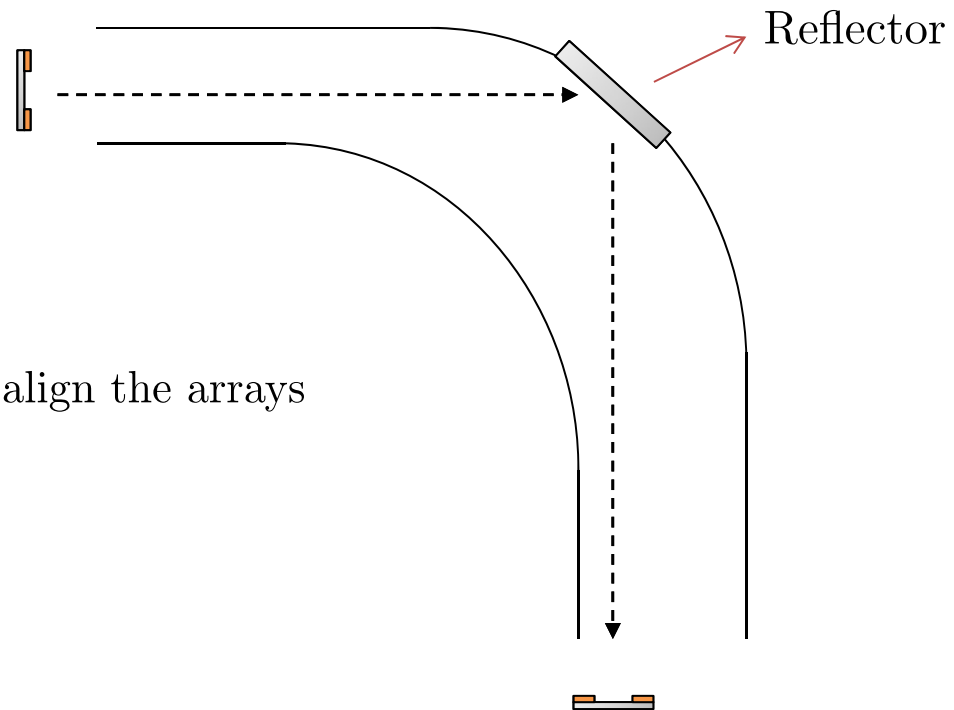
$f = 130\text{ GHz} \rightarrow \lambda = c/f = 2.3\text{ mm}$   
 $B = 20\text{ GHz} \rightarrow T \approx 1/B = 50\text{ psec}$

One Symbol:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} T = 50\text{psec} \\ \text{spatial length} = 1.5\text{cm} \end{array} \right.$

# Reflectors

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- Using reflectors for sidestepping LoS blockage

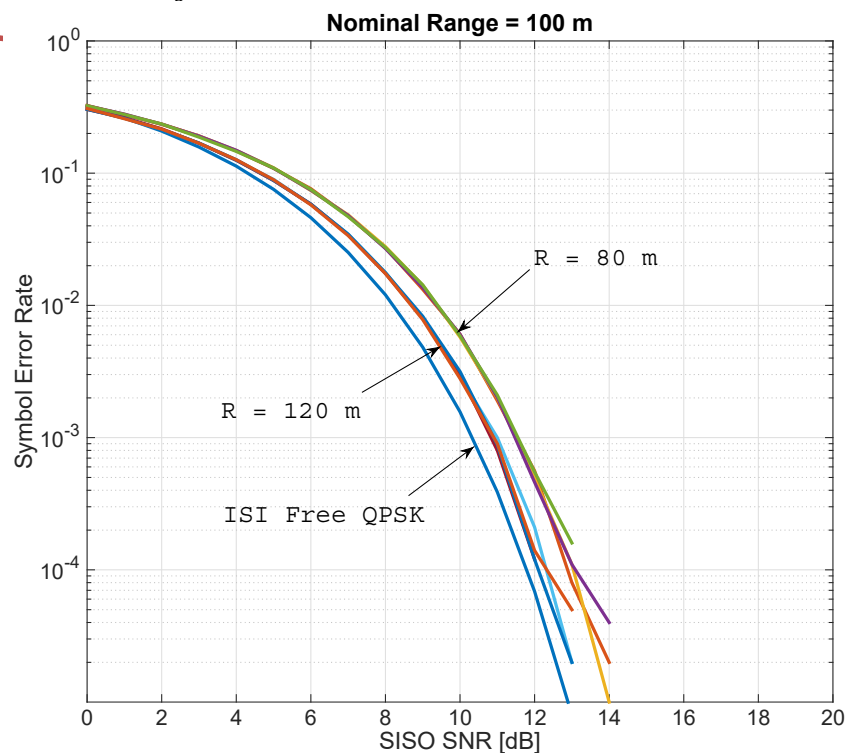


→ More difficult to align the arrays

# Range Deviation is Less Degrading!

Range deviation does not introduce memory in the channel.

Channel matrix  $\rightarrow$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Non-unitary} \\ \text{Memory-less} \end{array} \right.$



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PART II

# CHANNEL MODEL

# Ideal Channel (aligned)

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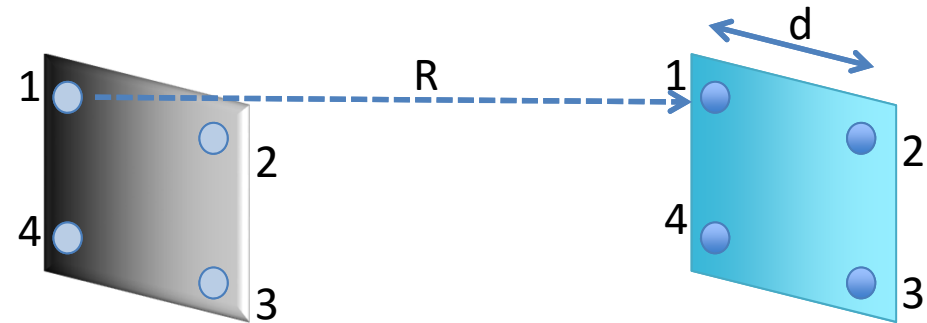
$d$  : inter-element spacing [m]

$f$  : carrier frequency [Hz]

$\lambda$  : carrier wavelength [m]

$T$  : symbol duration [sec]

$B$  : bandwidth [Hz]



$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & e^{j\phi} & e^{j2\phi} & e^{j\phi} \\ e^{j\phi} & 1 & e^{j\phi} & e^{j2\phi} \\ e^{j2\phi} & e^{j\phi} & 1 & e^{j\phi} \\ e^{j\phi} & e^{j2\phi} & e^{j\phi} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi \approx \frac{2\pi d^2}{\lambda 2R}$$



# Rayleigh Criterion

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Condition for columns of H to be orthogonal

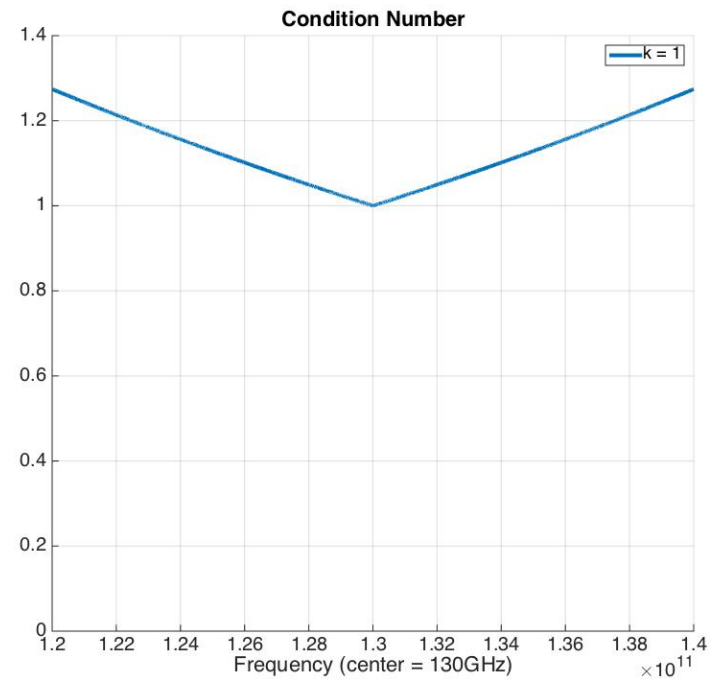
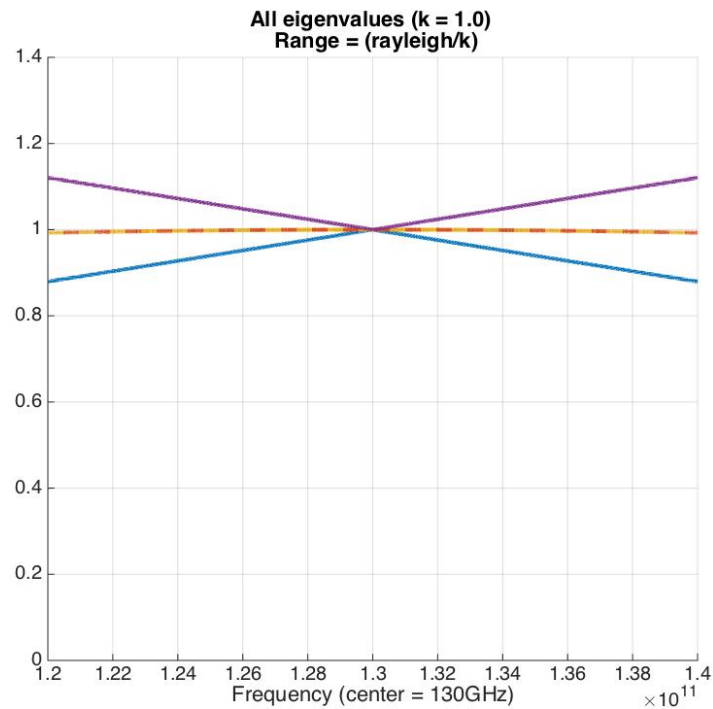
$$\phi = k \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ where } k \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$$

$$\phi \approx \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \frac{d^2}{2R} = k \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \rightarrow \quad R = \frac{2d^2}{k\lambda} \text{ where } k \in \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$$

Therefore,  $d_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{R\lambda}{2}}$

if  $R = 100\text{m} \rightarrow d_{\min} = \sqrt{\frac{100 \times 2.3 \times 10^{-3}}{2}} \approx 34\text{cm}$

# Frequency Independence

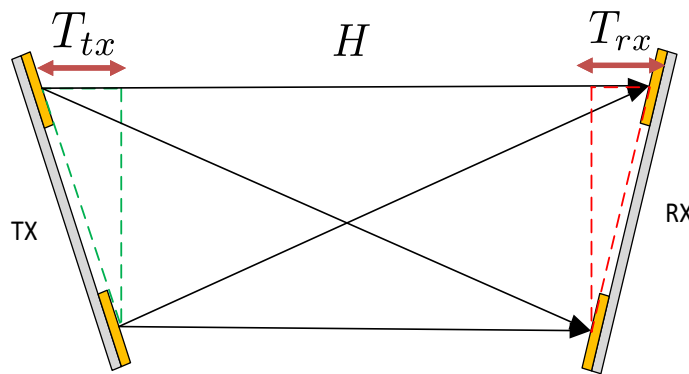


Ideal (aligned) channel is approximately frequency independent in 20 GHz bandwidth.

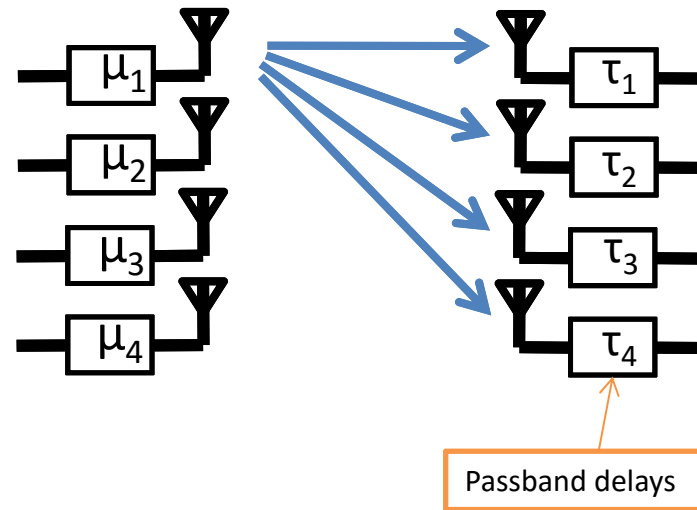
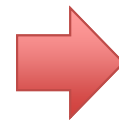
$$H_{\text{ideal}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & j & j & -1 \\ j & 1 & -1 & j \\ j & -1 & 1 & j \\ -1 & j & j & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Misaligned Channel

- Decomposition of the misaligned channel



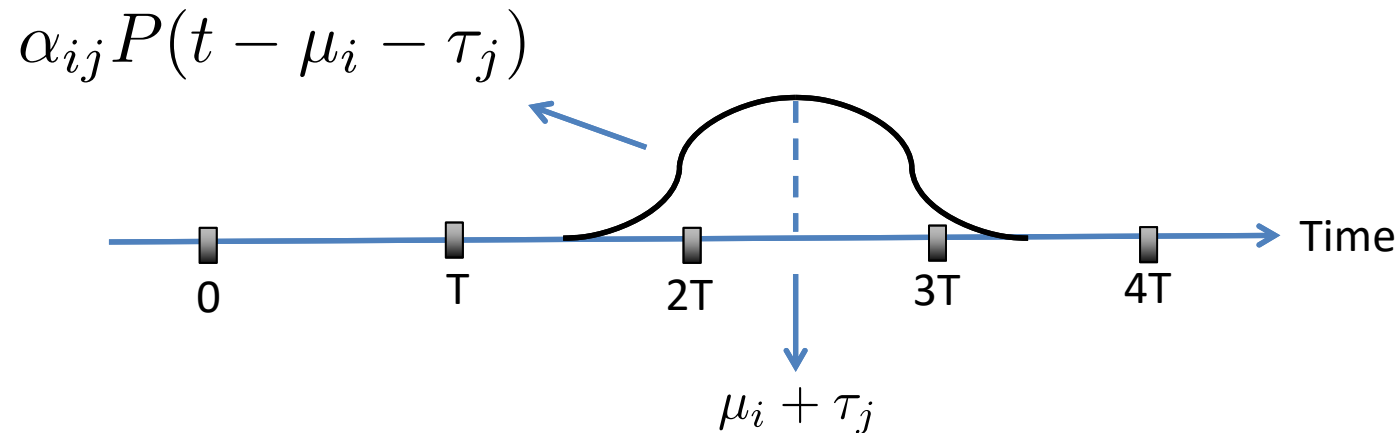
$$H_{new} \approx T_{rx} H T_{tx}$$



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# Channel from $i^{\text{th}}$ Tx to $j^{\text{th}}$ Rx element

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$$\alpha_{ij} \triangleq h_{ij} e^{-j2\pi f_c(\mu_i + \tau_j)}$$

$$H_{ij}[n] = \alpha_{ij} P(nT - \mu_i - \tau_j) \quad \leftarrow \text{sample at the symbol rate}$$

$$H[n] = \sum_{i=0}^L H_i \delta(n - i) \quad H_i \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N}$$

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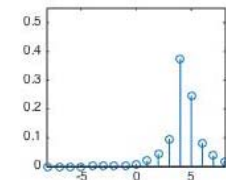
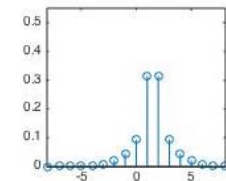
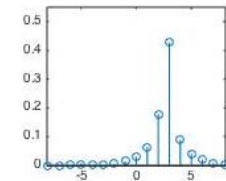
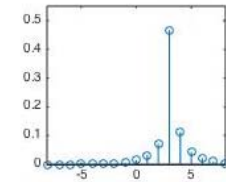
# **OPTIMIZED MIMO PROCESSING**

# Cannot Afford Oversampling

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- All Rx elements sample at the symbol rate (ADC)
- Aligned channel → single-tap demultiplexer
- Misaligned channel → oversampling comes for free in the spatial domain!

Question: How does all-digital linear space-time equalizer perform in the misaligned channel?



# Space-Time Equalizer

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$$H[n] = \sum_{i=0}^L H_i \delta(n - i) \quad H_i \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N}$$

Looking at a time window of size  $W$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{z}$$

$$\mathbf{s} = \left[ \bar{s}[n], \bar{s}[n-1], \dots, \bar{s}[n-L-W+1] \right]^T$$

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$$\bar{s}[n] = \left[ s_1[n], s_2[n], \dots, s_N[n] \right] \rightarrow \text{Transmitted symbols at time } n$$

$$\bar{y}[n] = \left[ y_1[n], y_2[n], \dots, y_M[n] \right] \rightarrow \text{Received signals at time } n$$

# MMSE Equalizer

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- Block Toeplitz matrix of channel coefficients:

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} H_0 & H_1 & \dots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & H_0 & H_1 & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & & & & \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & H_{L-1} & H_L \end{bmatrix}_{WM \times N(L+W-1)}$$

MMSE equalizer:

$$\mathbf{C}_{\text{MMSE}} = \left( \mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}^H + \frac{1}{\rho} \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{U}\mathbf{e}$$

$$\text{SISO SNR} = \rho \triangleq \frac{\sigma_s^2}{2\sigma^2}$$



# Choosing one symbol for each Tx

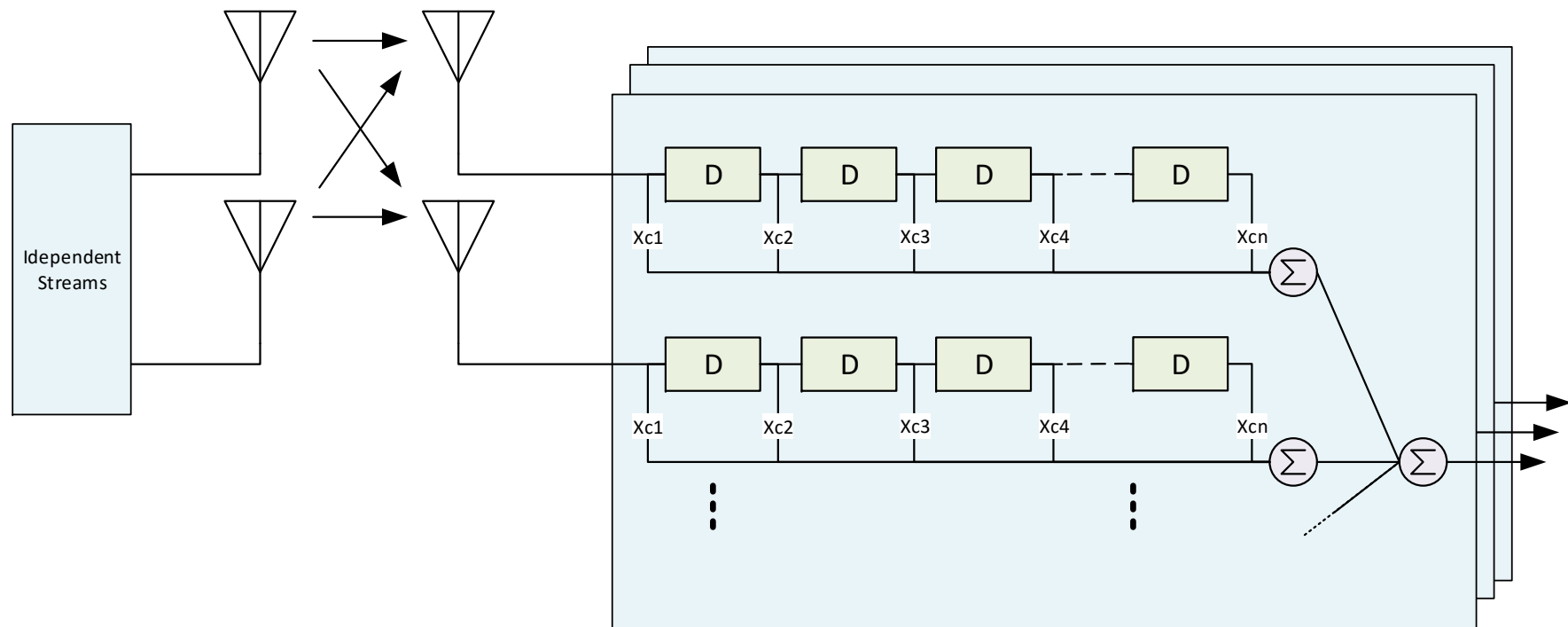
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$$\mathbf{e} = \left[ \bar{e}[n], \bar{e}[n-1], \dots, \bar{e}[n-W+1] \right]^T$$

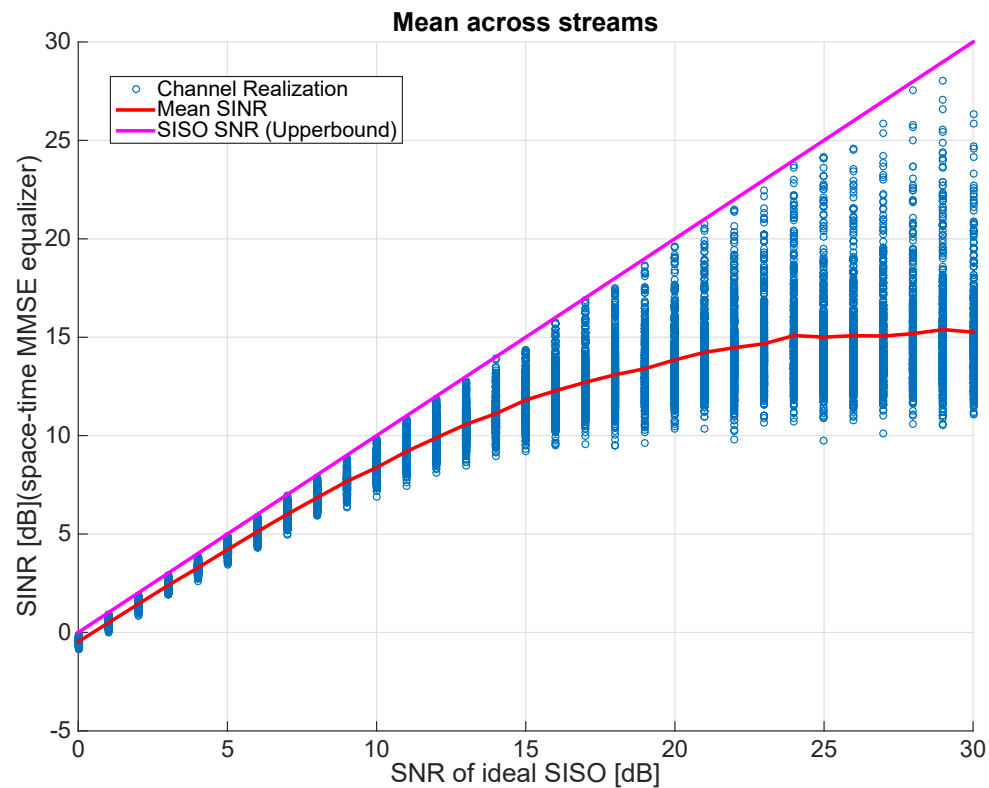
$i^{th}$  element of each vector corresponds to Tx element # $i$   
only one of the elements corresponding to Tx# $i$  is equal to one

# Equalizer Implementation

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# Output SINR

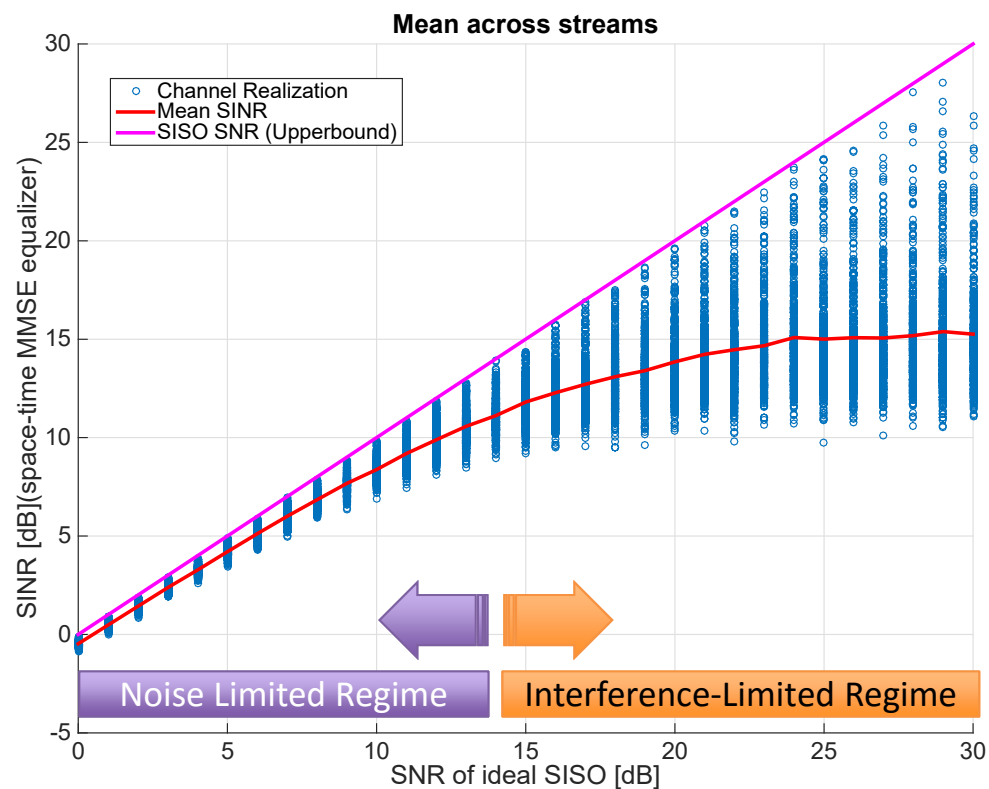


Raised cosine pulse with roll-off = 0.25  
 $\tau_i, \mu_j \sim \text{Uniform}[0, 150e - 12]$   
 Window size  $W = 5$

$$\text{SINR} = \frac{|\langle c, u_0 \rangle|^2}{\sum_{i \neq 0} |\langle c, u_i \rangle|^2 + \frac{1}{\rho} \|c\|^2}$$

$$\text{SISO SNR} = \rho \triangleq \frac{\sigma_s^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

# Output SINR

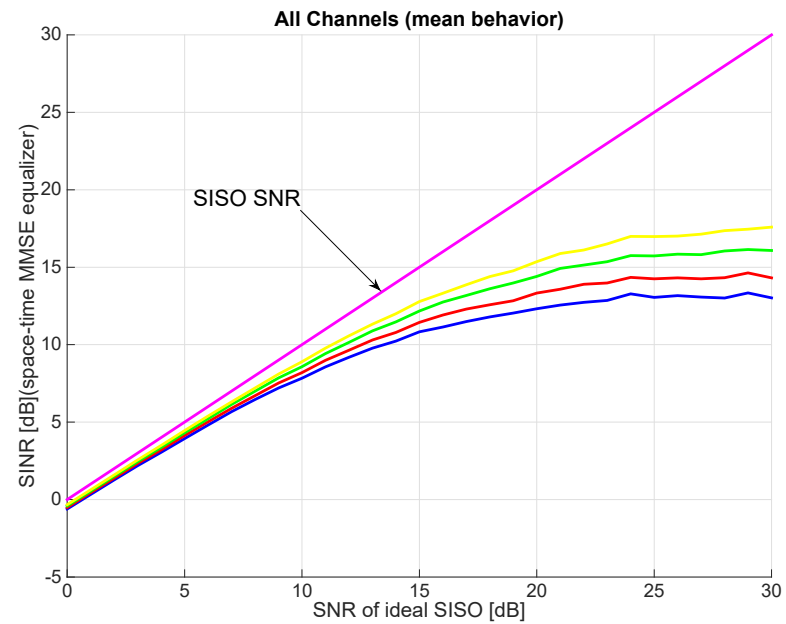
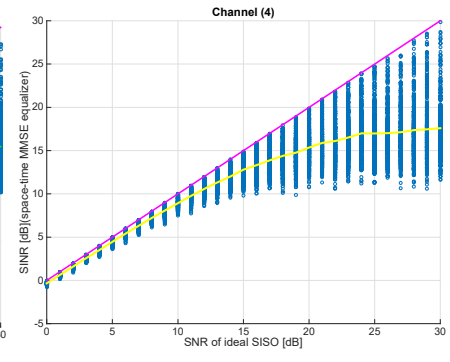
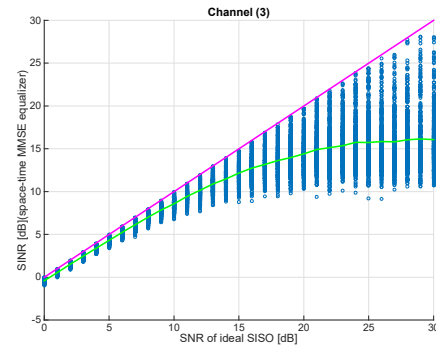
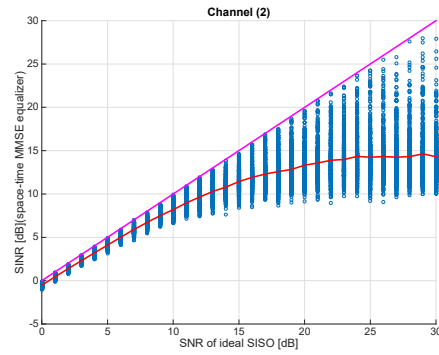
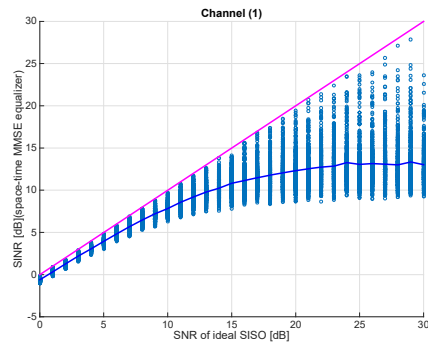


Noise-limited regime → SINR less sensitive to channel realization

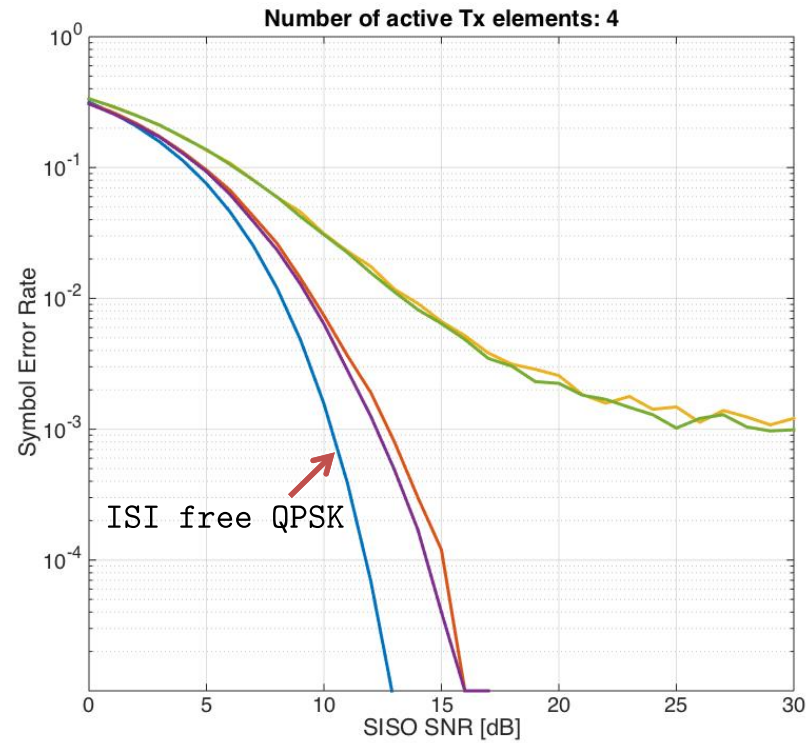
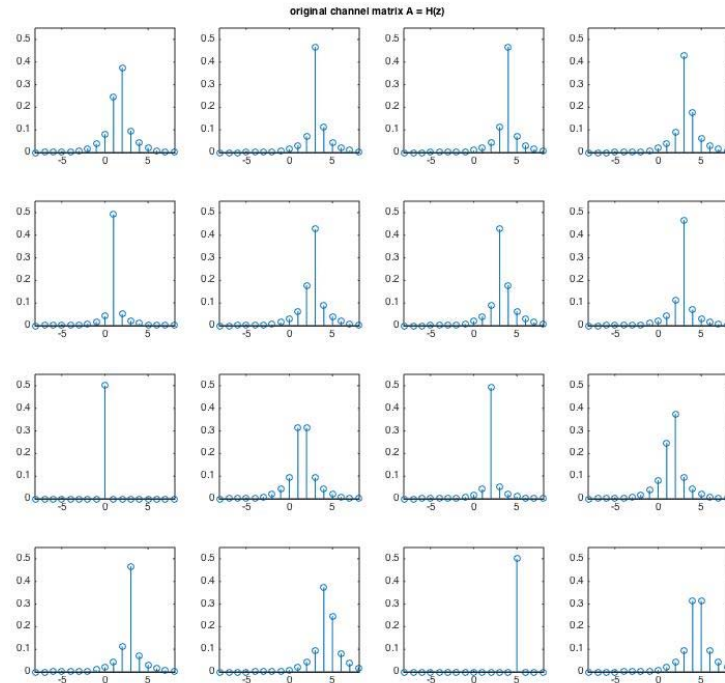
Interference-limited regime → SINR highly sensitive to channel realization

Question: For a given SNR at interference-limited regime, is it possible to increase the SINR by adding sub-symbol delays?

# Output SINR



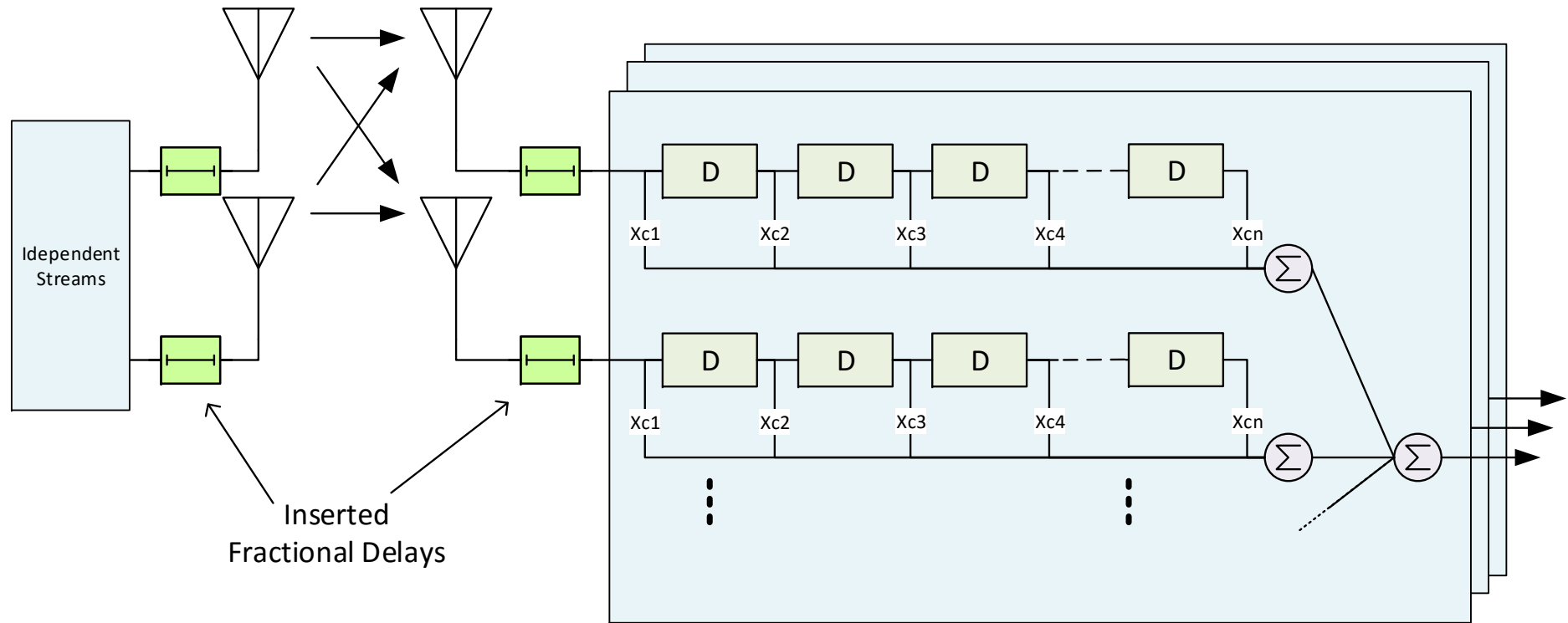
# Channel Realization (tough)



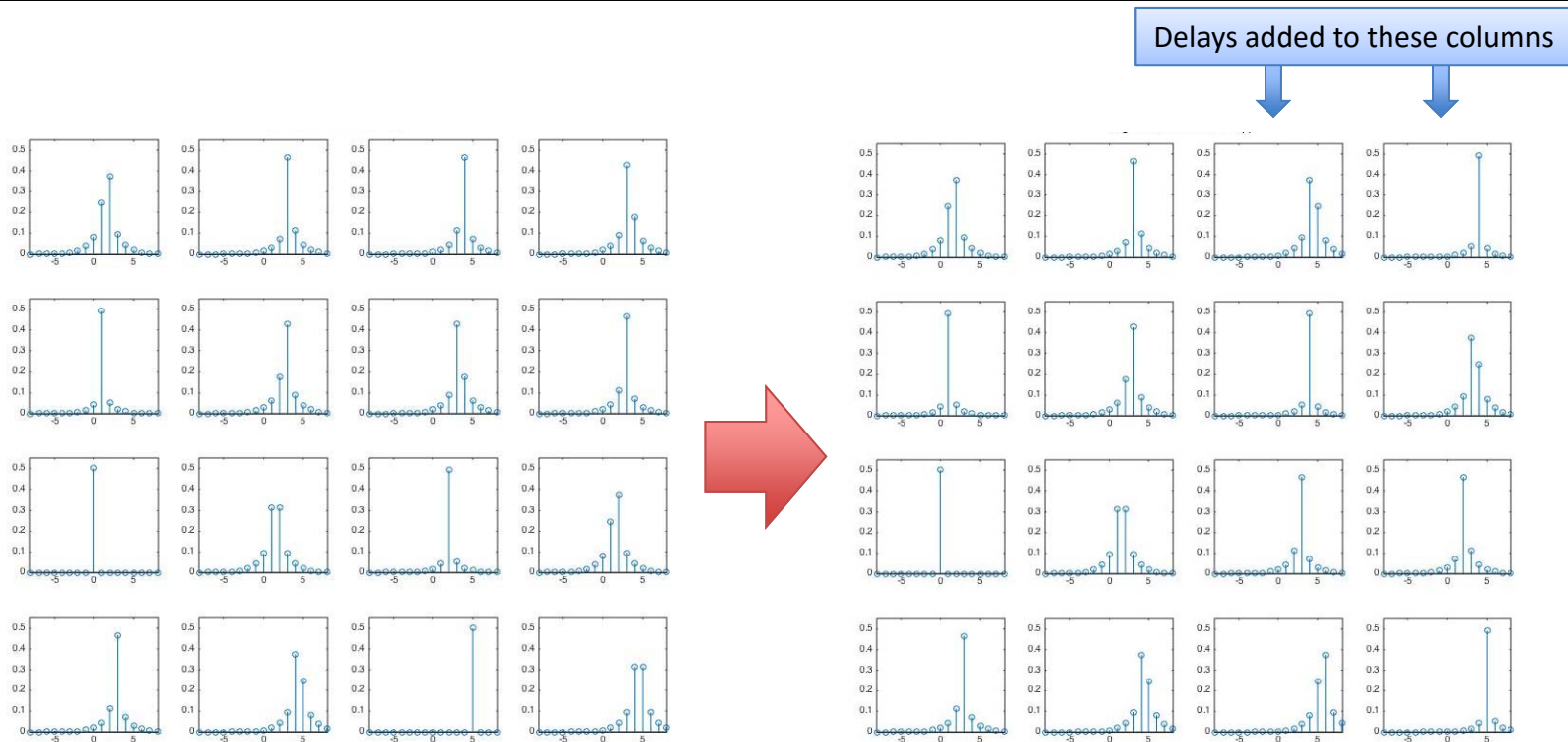
$$\text{TAU} = 1.0\text{e-}09 * [0.0847 \quad 0.0597 \quad 0 \quad 0.1445]$$

$$\text{MU} = 1.0\text{e-}09 * [0 \quad 0.0791 \quad 0.1100 \quad 0.0811]$$

# Modified Equalizer Implementation



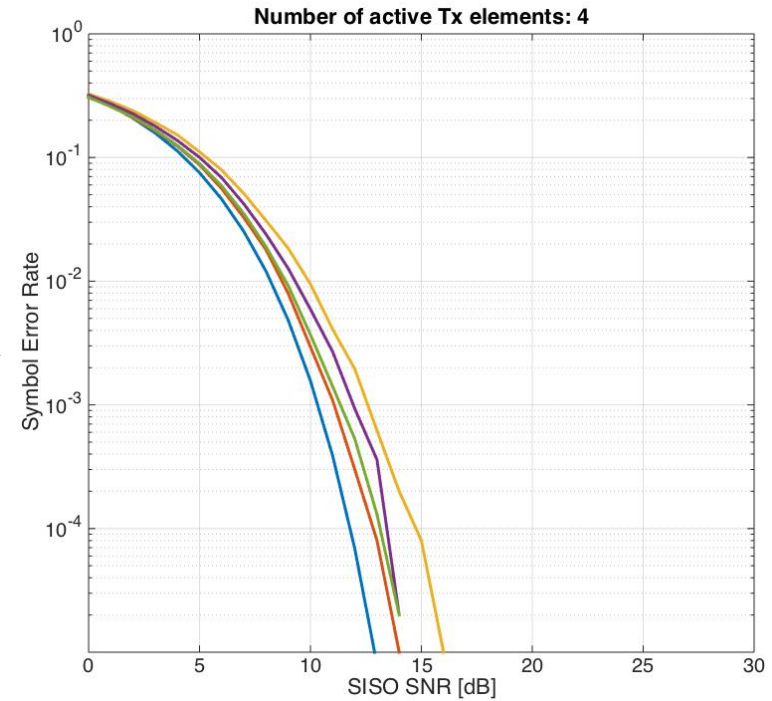
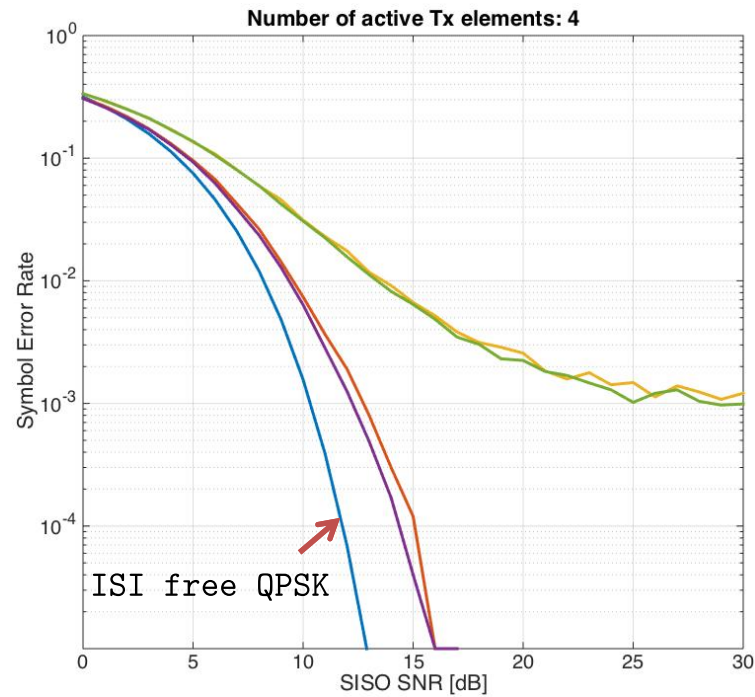
# Sub-symbol delay at the Tx side



[Tx#3]  $\rightarrow$  +30 psec  
[Tx#4]  $\rightarrow$  +30 psec

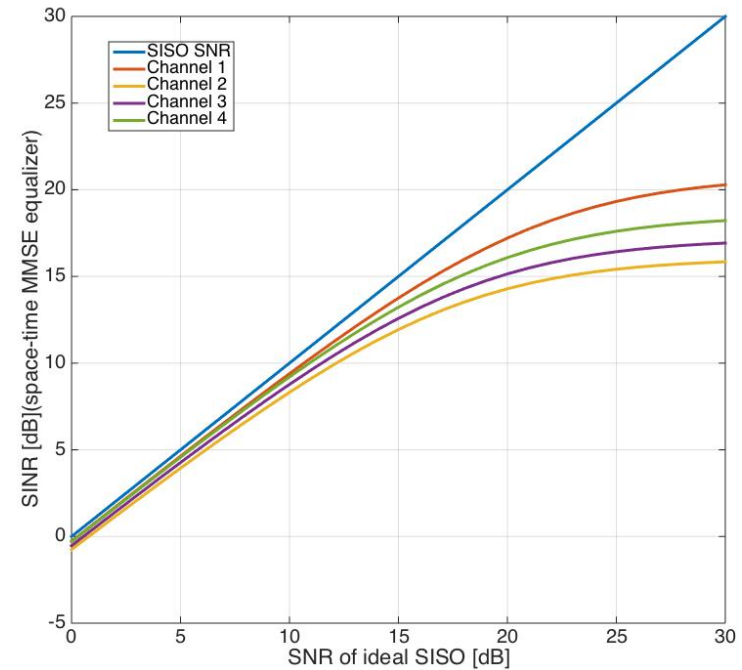
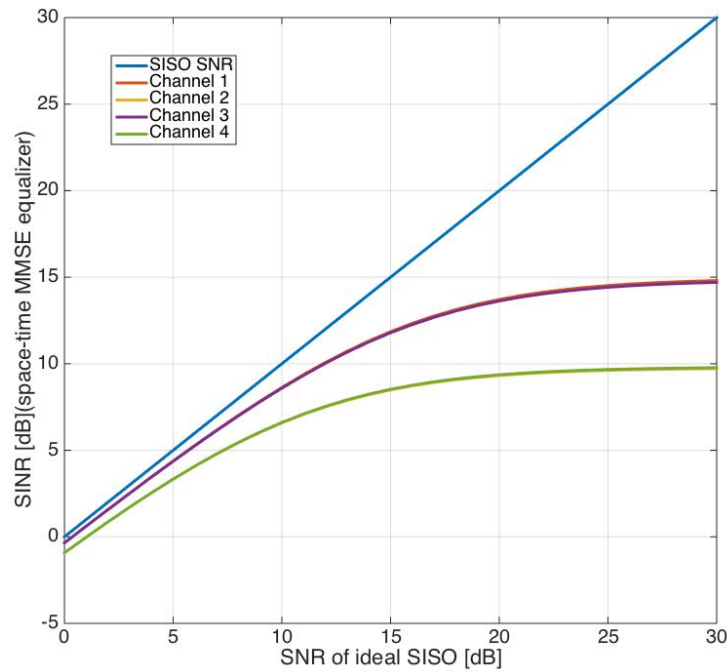


# Sub-symbol delay at the Tx side



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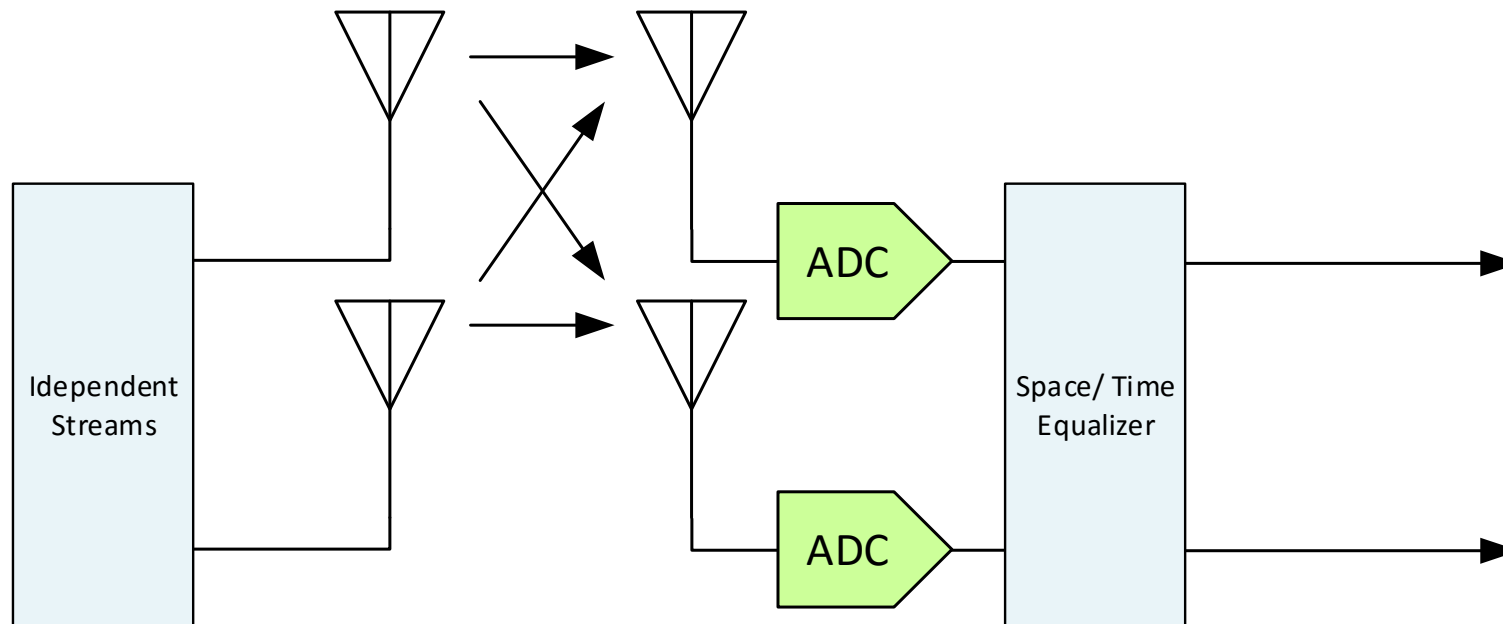
# Sub-symbol delay at the Tx side



[Tx#3] → +30 psec  
[Tx#4] → +30 psec

# HW Insight: Optimum Sampling Position

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- Relax ADC requirements
- Decomposition of the space/ time equalizer

# Analog Processing

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- Independent Tx streams
  - multiples of symbol delay at Tx side is irrelevant
- Analog delay lines at the Rx side
  - Multiple-symbol length with sub-symbol precision
  - Can completely account for the Rx misalignment

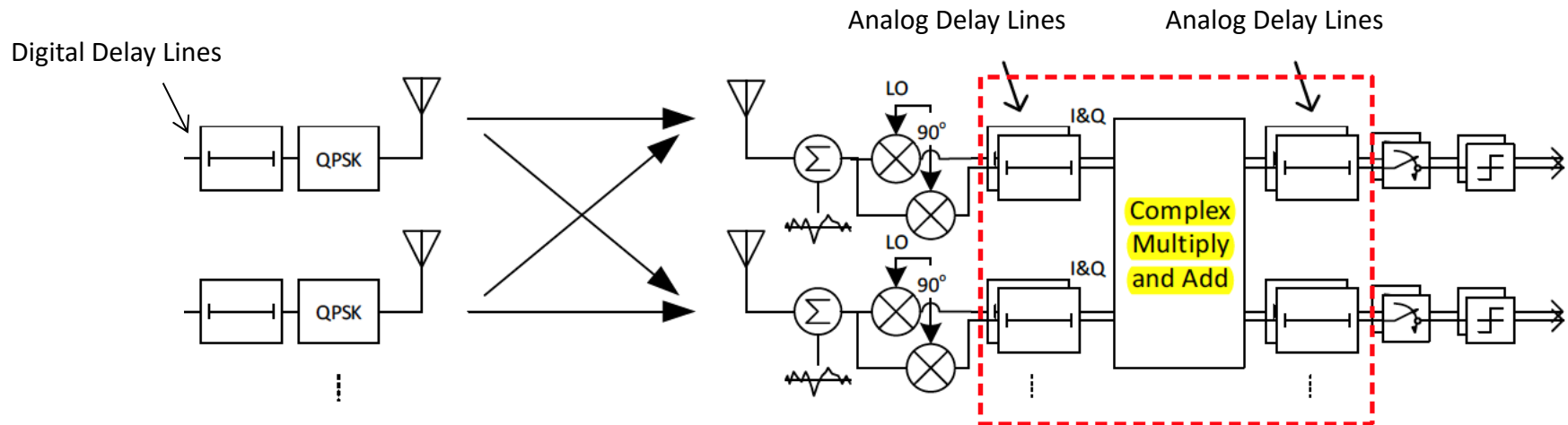
$$Y = \underbrace{T_{tx,\epsilon}^{-1} H^{-1} T_{rx}^{-1}}_{\text{Analog Processing}} T_{rx} H T_{tx} T_{tx,n}^{-1} U$$

# Analog CSN

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Rx alignment and channel inversion in analog:

$$Y = T_{tx,\epsilon}^{-1} H^{-1} T_{rx}^{-1} T_{rx} H T_{tx} T_{tx,n}^{-1} U$$



- Analog delay lines
- Analog matrix demultiplexer

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Part IV

# CONCLUSION

# Takeaways & Open Issues

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- Symbol-rate sampling followed by space-time equalizer
  - Need high resolution **ADC**
  - Performance is highly **sensitive** to channel realization
  - Possibility of recovering by **sub-symbol delays** at Tx/Rx side
- Optimization of sub-symbol delays
- Non-linear strategies

# Takeaways & Open Issues

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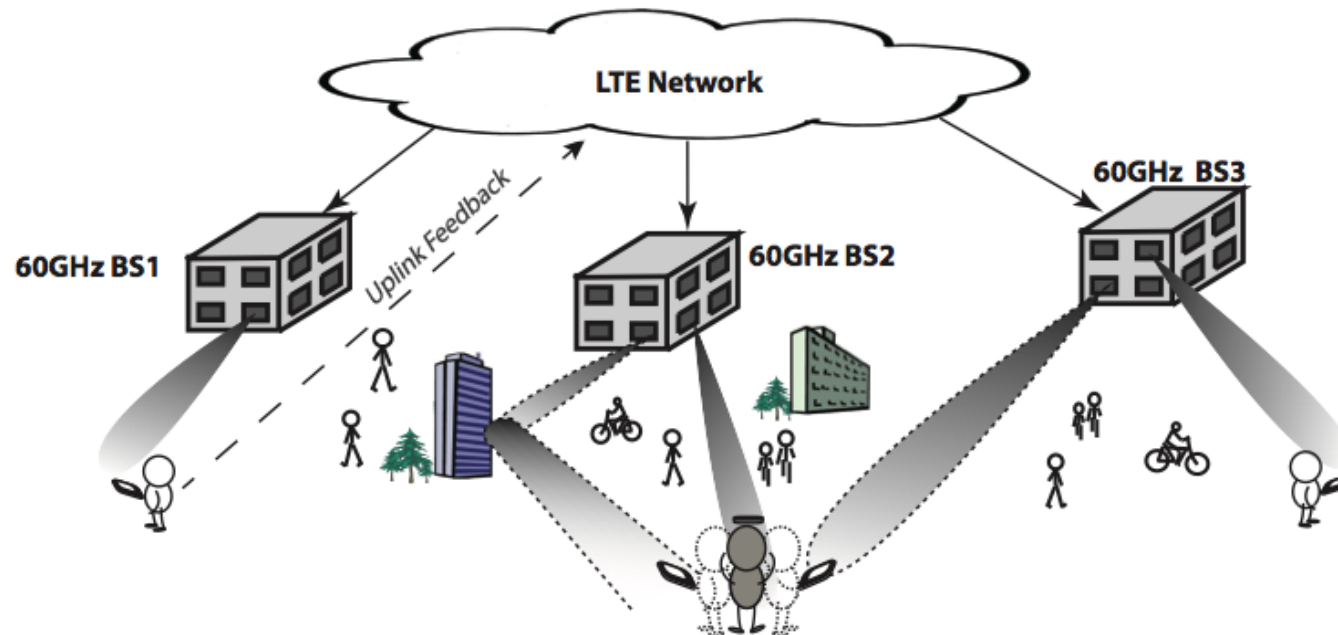
- Analog pre-processing before ADC
  - Analog delay line (align Rx array)
  - Analog matrix demultiplexer (eliminating ICI using a single-tap)
- Channel estimation and adaptation algorithms
- Estimates of power/hardware saving compared to fully digital architectures



Compressive picocellular architectures

# mm wave for small cells

- Up the ante on spatial reuse
  - Highly directional mm wave (+LTE) to the mobile
  - 28 GHz (industry), 60 GHz (can leverage WiGig)

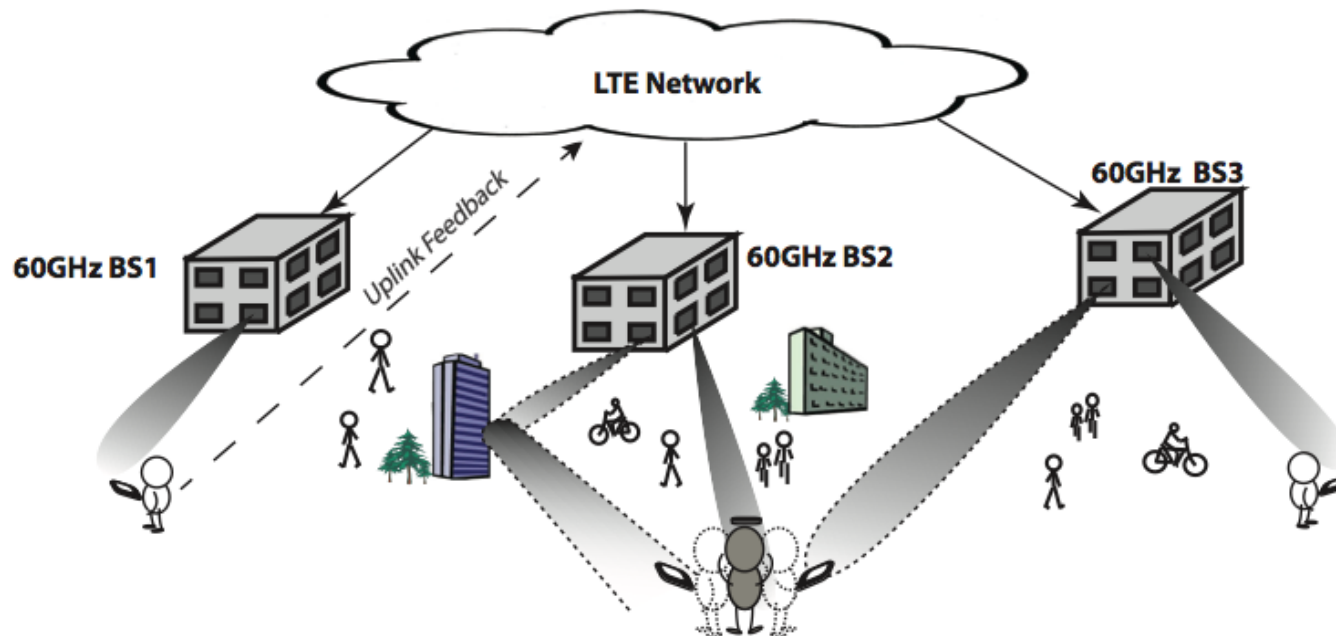


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**Need robustness to blockage by user's body and other obstacles**

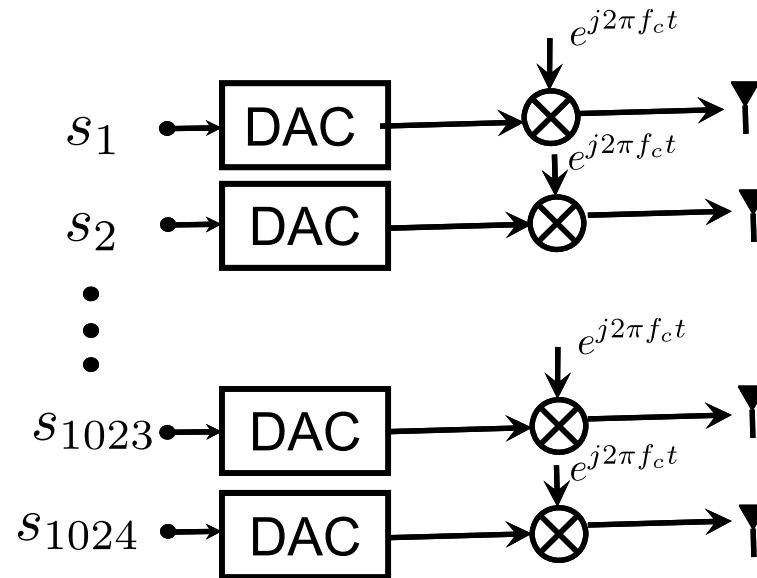
# Beamsteering with very large arrays

(The key to “unlimited” spatial reuse)



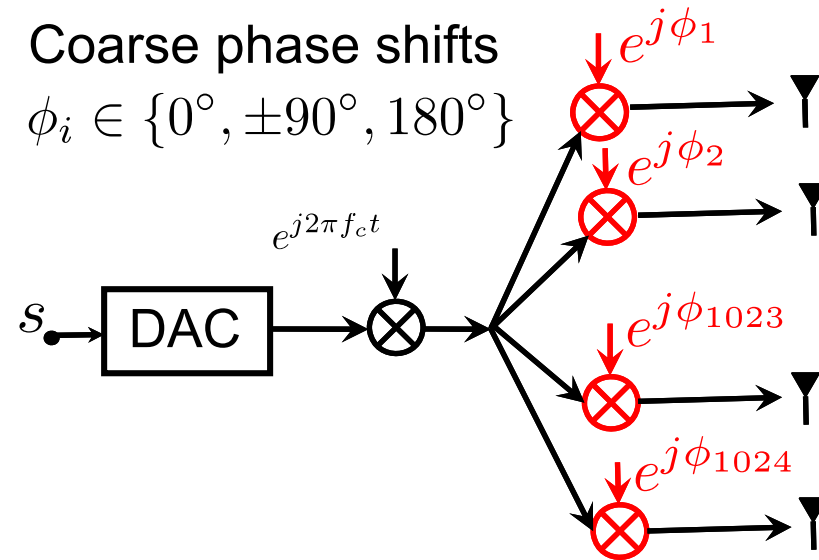
# Beamforming today

DSP-centric, one RF chain per antenna element



**Does not scale to 1000 elements!**

# RF Beamforming with hardware constraints

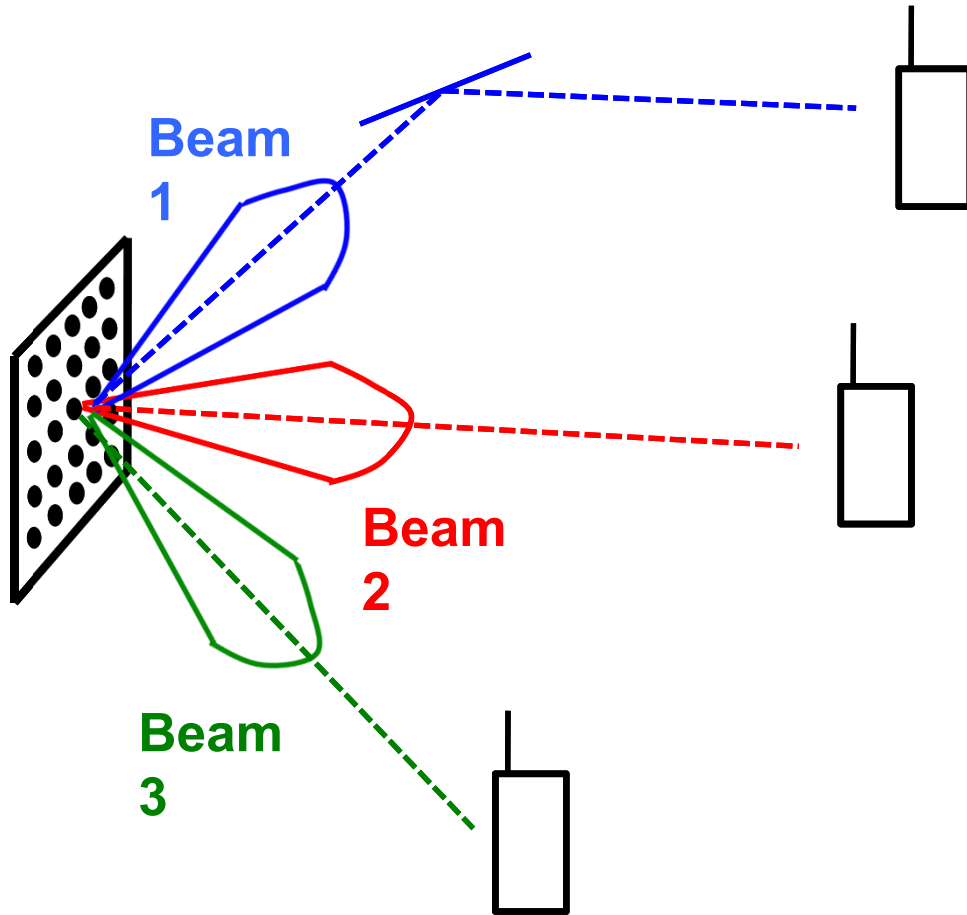


**Much more feasible**

**But how do we adapt it?**

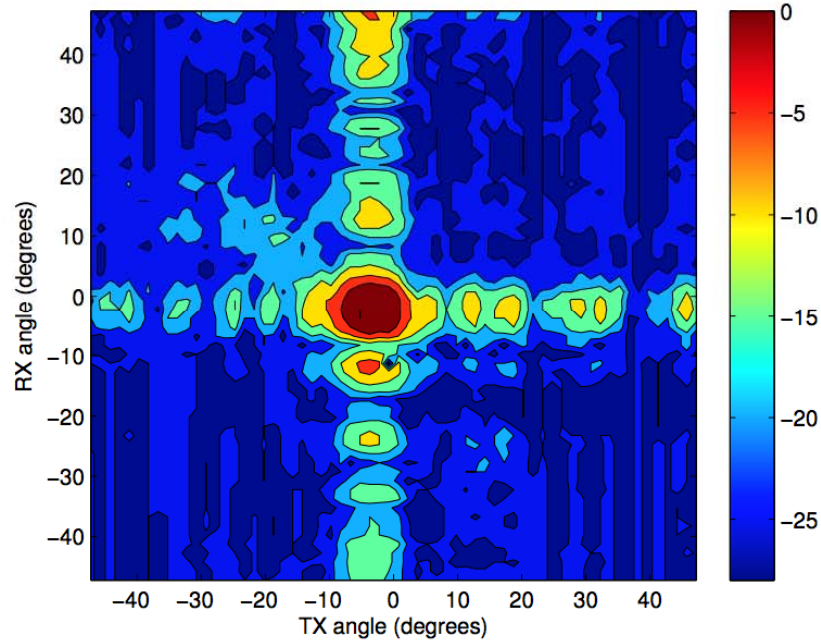
**No access to individual elements  $\rightarrow$  least squares does not work**

# Beam scanning architecture unattractive

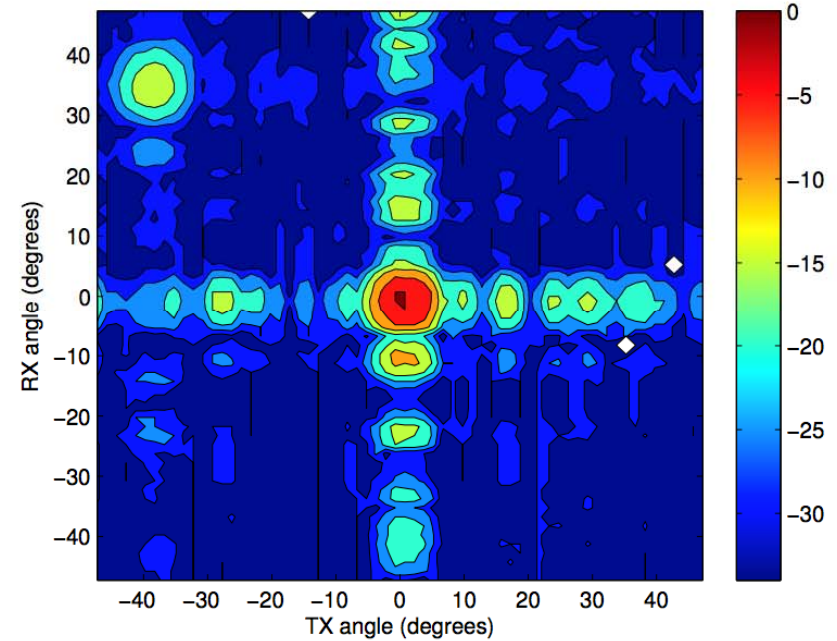


- Requires fine control of phases
- Slow adaptation

# Mm wave channel is sparse



One path

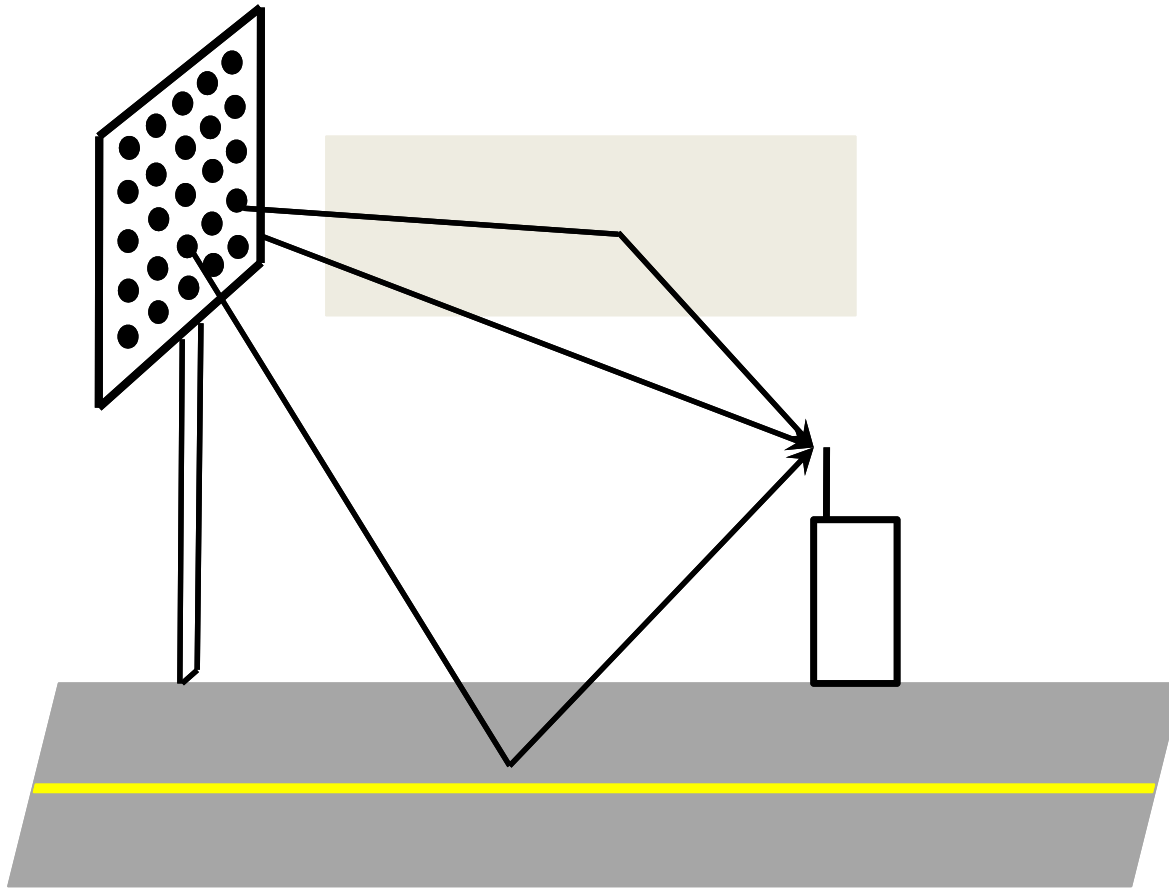


Two paths

Experiments on UCSB campus  
using FB Terragraph nodes



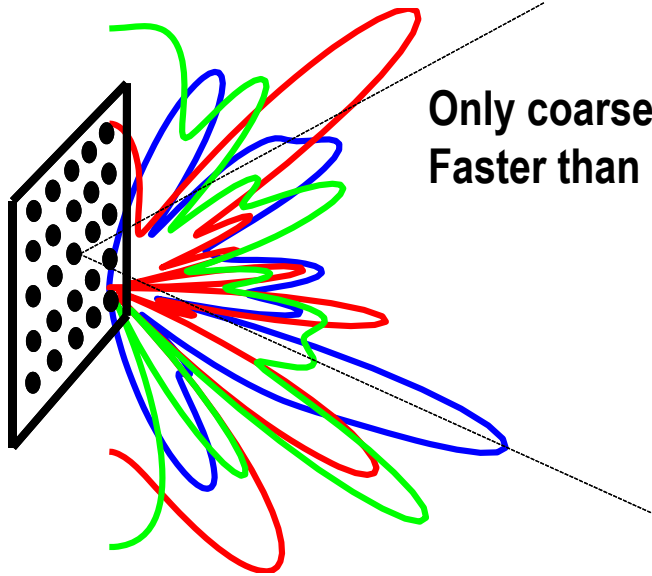
Can we exploit the sparsity of the mm wave channel?



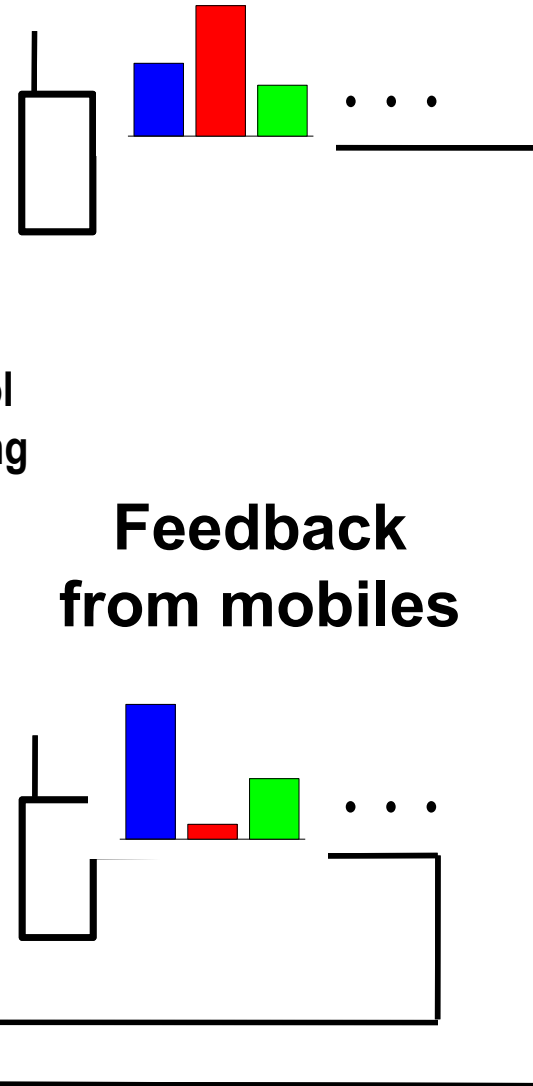


# Compressive adaptation

Random  
phases  
from  
 $\pm 1, \pm j$



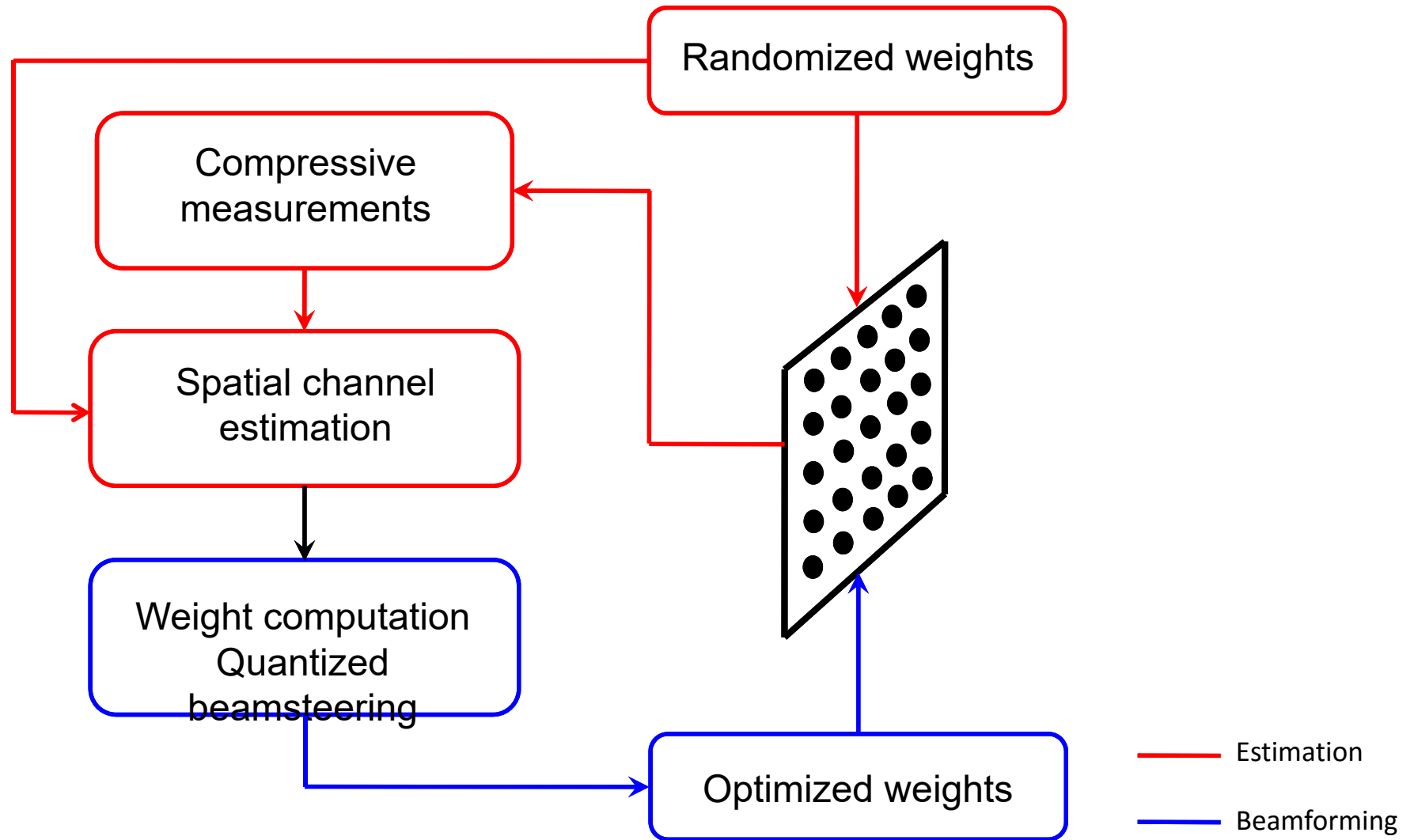
Only coarse phase control  
Faster than beam scanning



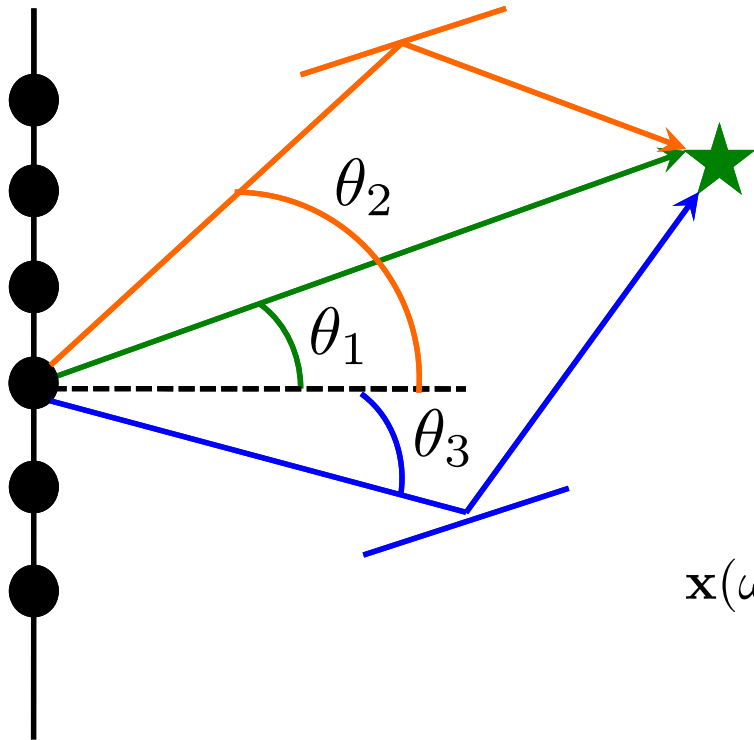
Feedback  
from mobiles

Base station  
estimates channel  
compressively

# Compressive Adaptation Architecture



# Estimation problem



Channel is a sum of a few sinusoids

$$\mathbf{h} = g_1 \mathbf{x}(\omega_1) + g_2 \mathbf{x}(\omega_2) + g_3 \mathbf{x}(\omega_3)$$

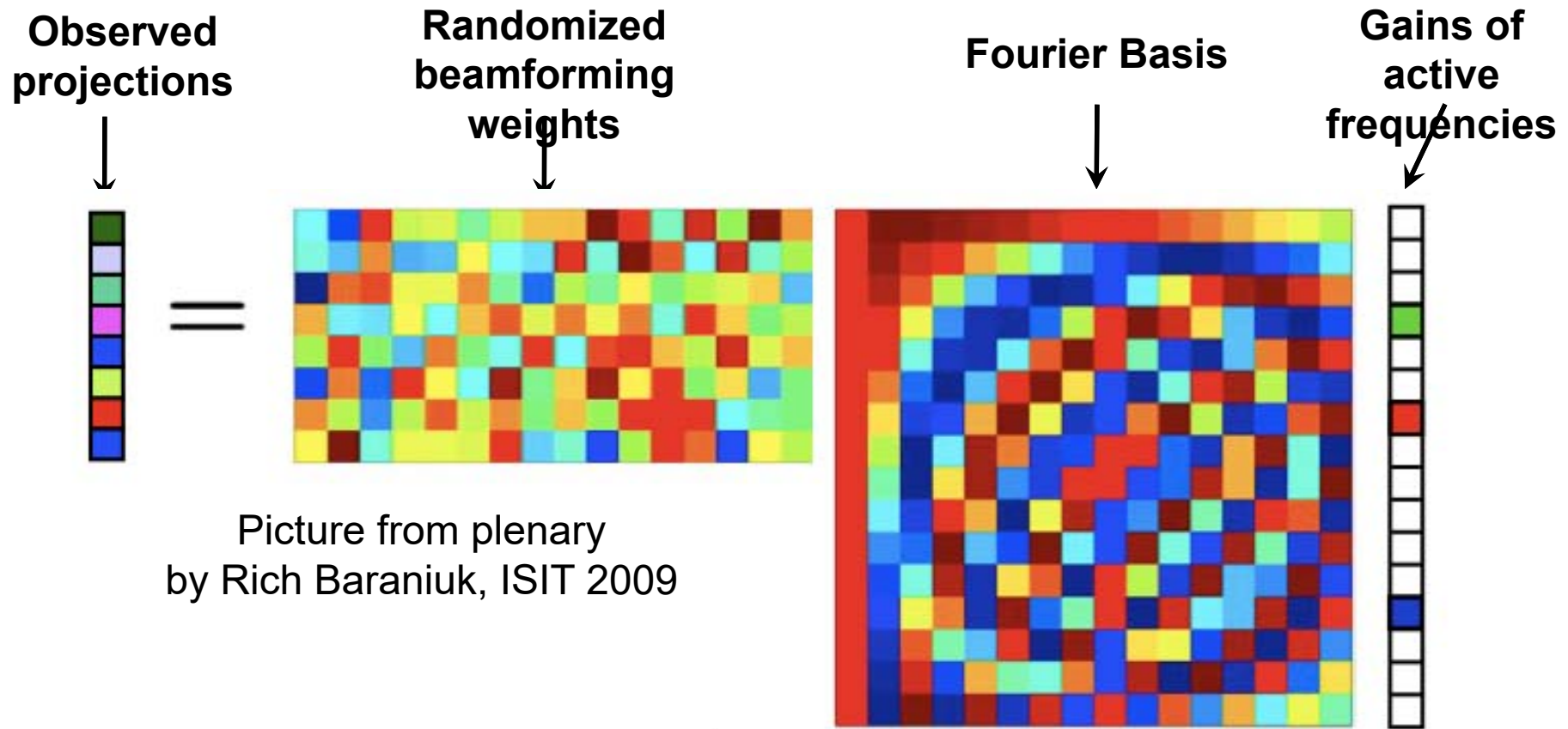
$$\mathbf{x}(\omega) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ e^{j\omega} \\ e^{j2\omega} \\ \vdots \\ e^{j(N-1)\omega} \end{pmatrix} \quad \omega_i = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta_i$$

Mobile makes compressive measurements

$$y_i = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{h}, i = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

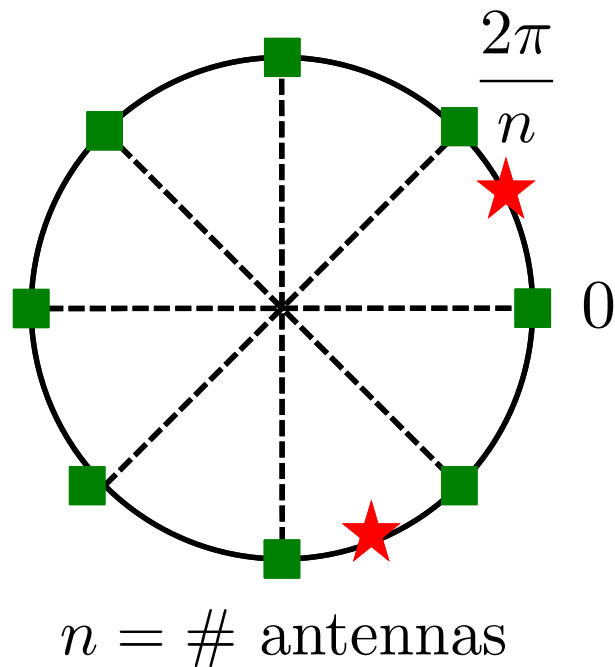
Estimate gains and spatial frequencies from compressive measurements

# Can we use standard compressed sensing?

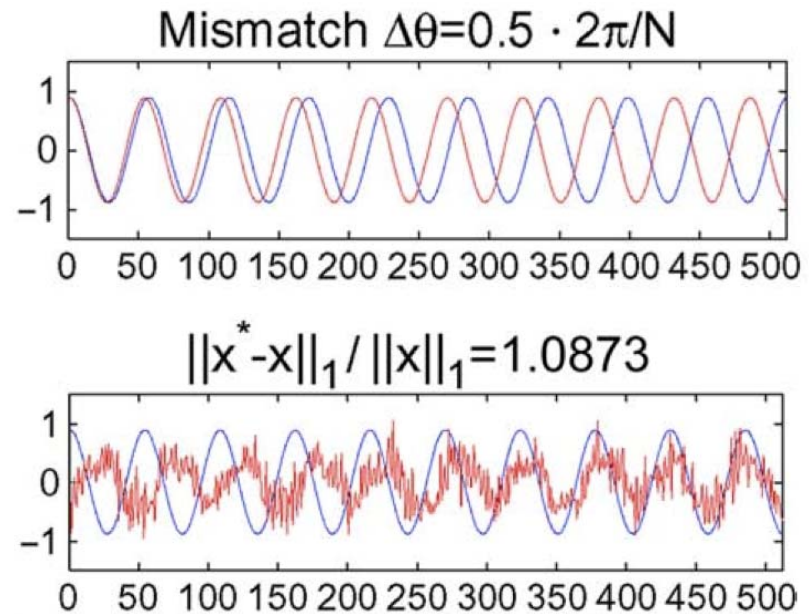


$$\mathbf{y} = \sum_{k=1}^L g_k \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}(\omega_k) + \mathbf{n}$$

# Not quite: because of basis mismatch



Frequencies come from a continuum, not a grid



With standard CS, off-grid frequencies can have large estimation errors

*Sensitivity to Basis Mismatch in Compressed Sensing,*

Y. Chi, L. Scharf, A. Pezeshki, R. Calderbank

**Need algorithms and theory for compressive estimation!**

# Key Results

- Compressive estimation is equivalent to regular estimation if certain isometries are preserved
- Equivalence characterized based on fundamental estimation-theoretic bounds
  - Ziv-Zakai bound, Cramer-Rao bound
- Super-resolution algorithms for regular estimation will work for compressive estimation as well
  - State of the art algorithm: NOMP
- Compressive estimation is a promising basis for a picocellular architecture

# Plan

- Review of fundamental estimation-theoretic bounds
  - Ziv-Zakai bound in particular (because it deserves more publicity than it has gotten)
- Super-resolution algorithm for estimating a mixture of sinusoids
  - Newtonized Orthogonal Matching Pursuit (NOMP)
- Theory of compressive estimation
- Results for picocellular settings

## Ziv-Zakai bound reviewed on the board

### **Discussion based on:**

Bell, Steinberg, Ephraim, Van Trees, "Extended Ziv-Zakai Lower Bound for Vector Parameter Estimation," *IEEE Trans. Information Theory*, March 1997.

### **Original paper on ZZB:**

J. Ziv and M. Zakai, "Some lower bounds on signal parameter estimation," *IEEE Trans. Information Theory*, May 1969.





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# Frequency Estimation for a Mixture of Sinusoids: A Near-Optimal Sequential Approach

## “Newtonized Orthogonal Matching Pursuit”

B. Mamandipoor\*, D. Ramasamy, U. Madhow

ECE Department, University of California, Santa Barbara

December 2015

# References

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- B. Mamandipoor, D. Ramasamy, U. Madhow, "Frequency estimation for a mixture of sinusoids: a near-optimal sequential approach," GlobalSIP 2015.
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# Outline

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- Introduction
- Proposed sequential algorithm
- Stopping criteria: CFAR
- Convergence
- Performance evaluation

# Formulation

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Unit norm sinusoid of frequency  $\omega \in [0, 2\pi)$

$$\mathbf{x}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & e^{j\omega} & \dots & e^{j(N-1)\omega} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Mixture of sinusoids:

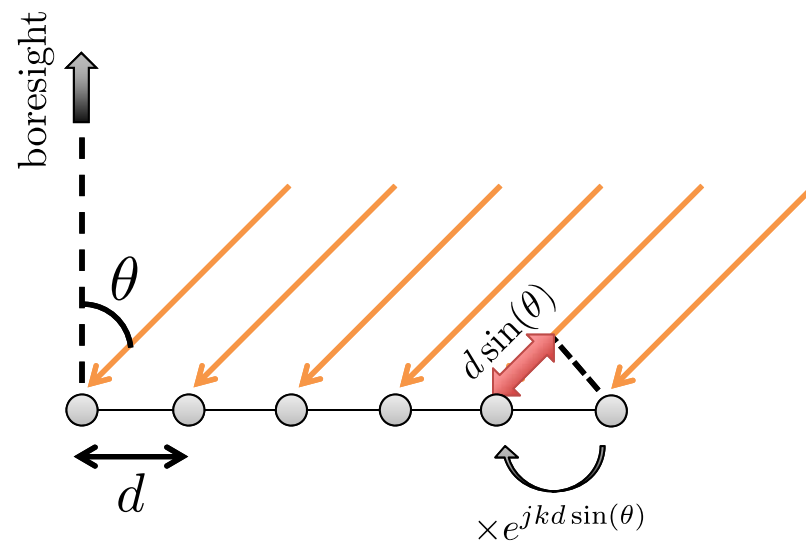
$$\mathbf{y} = \sum_{l=1}^K g_l \mathbf{x}(\omega_l) + \mathbf{z}$$

$\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{C}^N$        $g_l \in \mathbb{C}$        $\mathbf{z} \sim CN(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$

Goal: Estimate  $\{(g_l, \omega_l), l = 1, 2, \dots, K\}$  and  $K$

# DoA Estimation

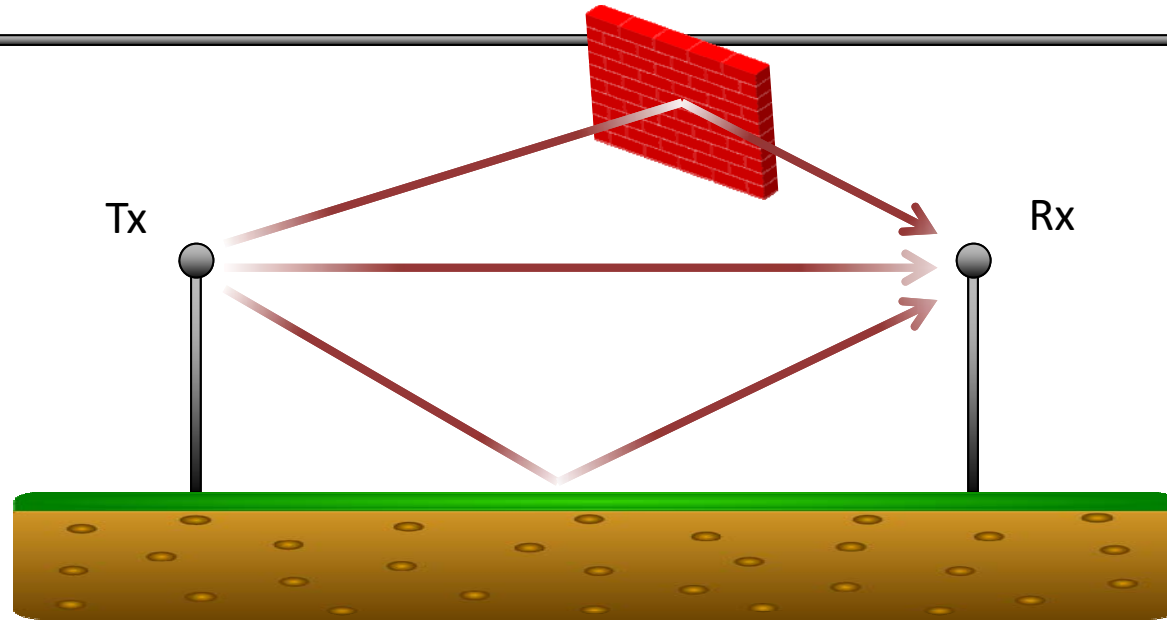
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$$\omega = kd \sin(\theta) \rightarrow \mathbf{y} = g\mathbf{x}(\omega)$$

Direction of Arrival estimation  $\rightarrow$  Frequency estimation problem

# Multipath Channel Estimation



Channel impulse response:  $h(t) = \sum_{l=1}^K g_l \delta(t - \tau_l)$

Channel transfer function:  $H(f) = \sum_{l=1}^K g_l e^{-j2\pi f \tau_l}$

Sample Uniformly in Frequency Domain

$$H = \sum_{l=1}^K g_l \mathbf{x}(\omega_l) \quad \omega_l = -2\pi \Delta f \tau_l$$

# Single Frequency Estimation

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Unknown parameters are **frequency** and complex **gain**.

Maximum Likelihood:  $\max_{\{g, \omega\}} 2\Re\{\mathbf{y}^H g\mathbf{x}(\omega)\} - |g|^2 \|\mathbf{x}(\omega)\|^2$

**GLRT**: first maximize over all possible complex gains, then maximize over frequencies.

$$\max_g 2\Re\{\mathbf{y}^H g\mathbf{x}(\omega)\} - |g|^2 \|\mathbf{x}(\omega)\|^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \hat{g} = \frac{\mathbf{x}(\omega)^H \mathbf{y}}{\|\mathbf{x}(\omega)\|^2}$$

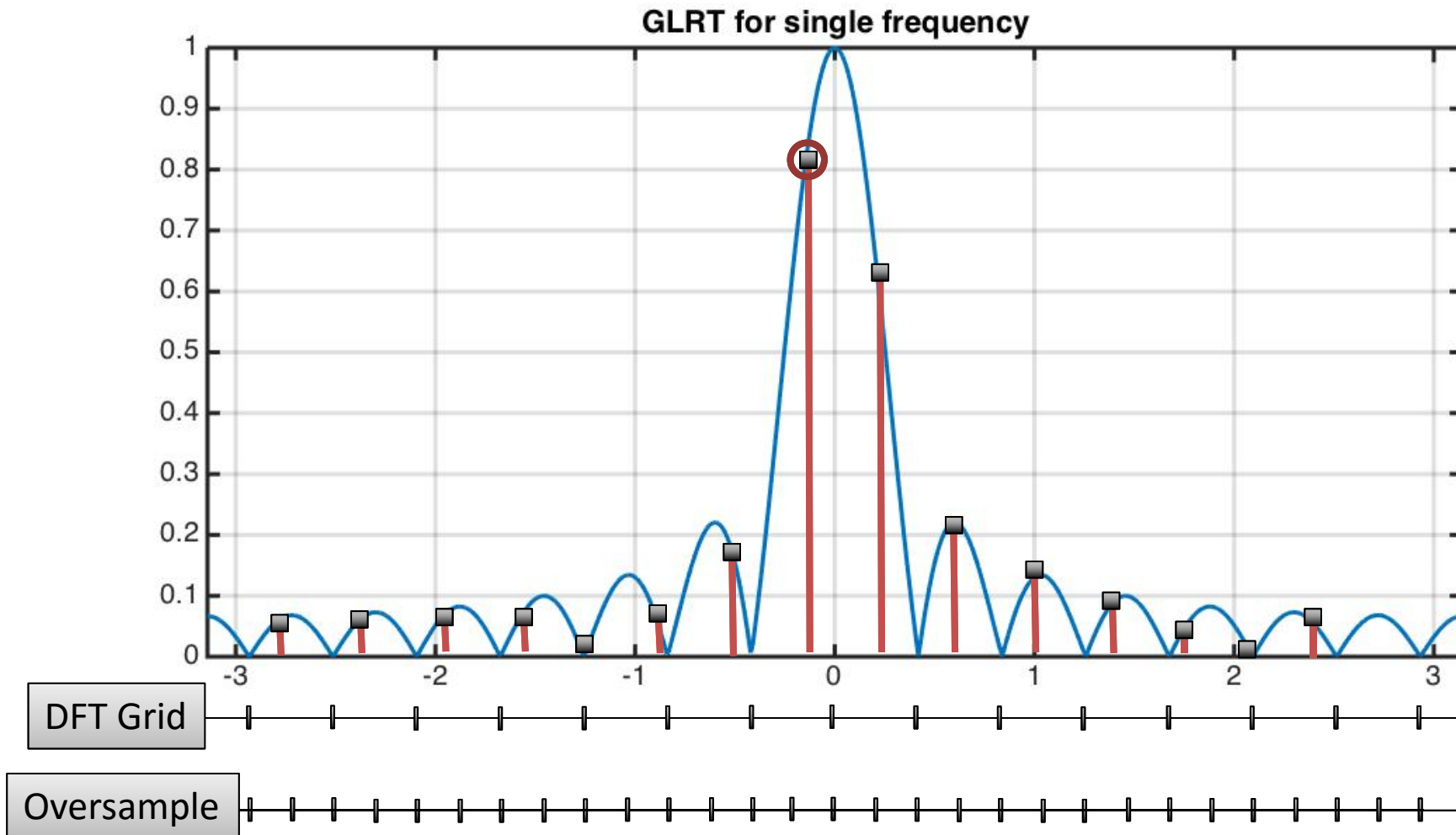
Next, we maximize for the frequency:  $\max_{\omega} G_{\mathbf{y}}(\omega)$

Where,  $G_{\mathbf{y}}(\omega) = \frac{|\mathbf{x}(\omega)^H \mathbf{y}|^2}{\|\mathbf{x}(\omega)\|^2}$

Grid  
&  
Refine

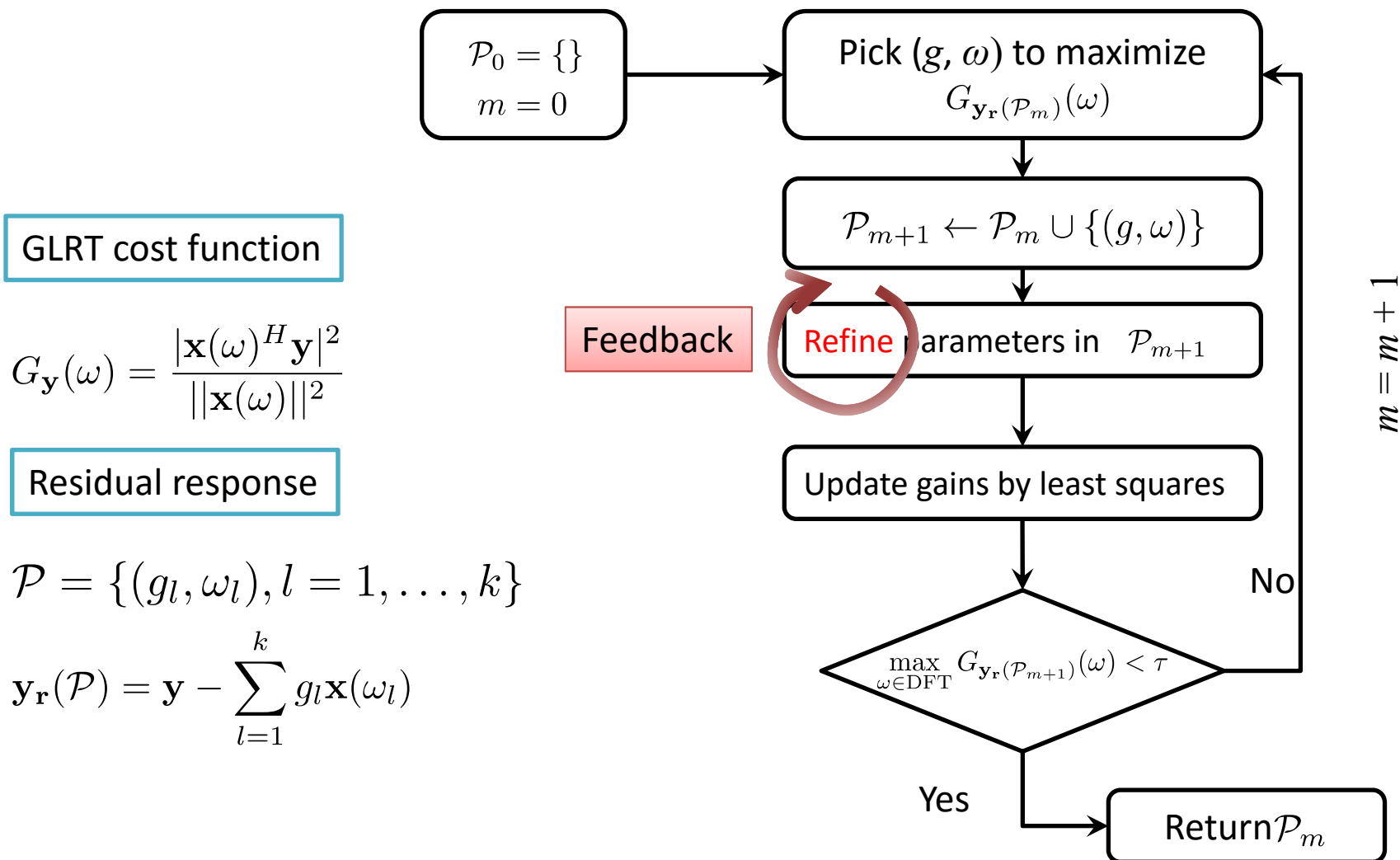
# Grid & Refine

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# Newtonized OMP (NOMP)



[1] B. Mamandipoor, D. Ramasamy, U. Madhow, "Newtonized Orthogonal Matching Pursuit: Frequency Estimation over the Continuum," arXiv preprint arXiv:1509.01942, 2015.

# Stopping Criteria: CFAR

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- Common strategy in detection problems  $\rightarrow$  use noise model only
- Criterion: if noise can explain the observation, then assume no target
- We develop a similar criteria for the frequency estimation algorithm:

$$\max_{\omega \in \text{DFT}} G_{\mathbf{y}_r(\mathcal{P}_{m+1})}(\omega) < \tau \quad \text{Assuming } \mathbf{y}_r(\mathcal{P}_{m+1}) \text{ is pure noise!}$$

$$\|\mathcal{F}\mathbf{y}_r(\mathcal{P}_{m+1})\|_{\infty}^2 < \tau$$

Probability of false alarm:

$$Pr\{\|\mathcal{F}\mathbf{y}_r(\mathcal{P}_{m+1})\|_{\infty}^2 > \tau\} = P_{\text{fa}}$$

# Stopping Criteria: CFAR

$P_{fa}$  is the nominal false alarm rate.

$$\tau = \sigma^2 \log(N) - \sigma^2 \log \log \left( \frac{1}{1 - P_{fa}} \right)$$

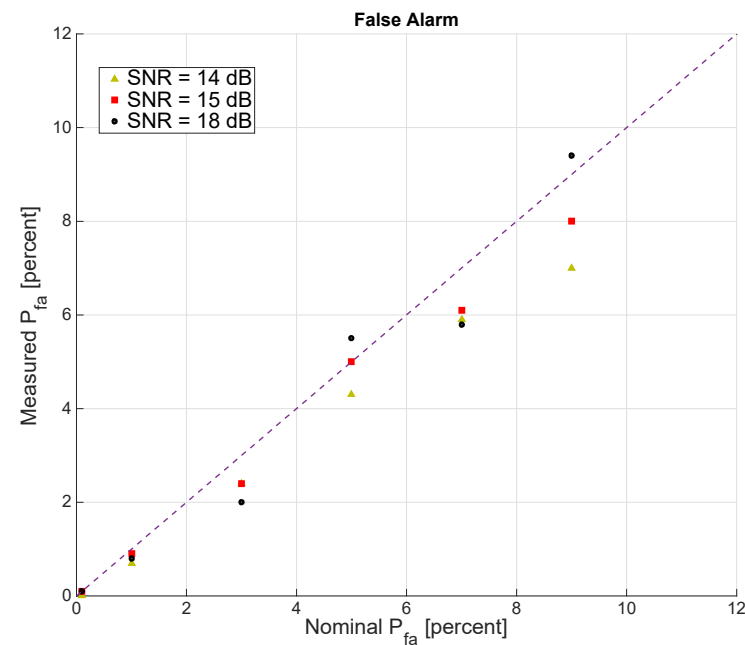
300 runs of NOMP

#sinusoids  $K = 16$

#observations  $N = 256$

fixed nominal SNR

$\Delta\omega_{\min} = 2.5\Delta_{\text{dft}}$



Simulation result: measured false alarm rate is in agreement with the the nominal value.

# Probability of Miss and ROC

Taking into account the effect of noise

Ignoring the “interference” from other sinusoids

$$P_{\text{miss}} \approx 1 - Q_1 \left( 0.88\sqrt{2SNR}, \sqrt{2\tau/\sigma^2} \right)$$

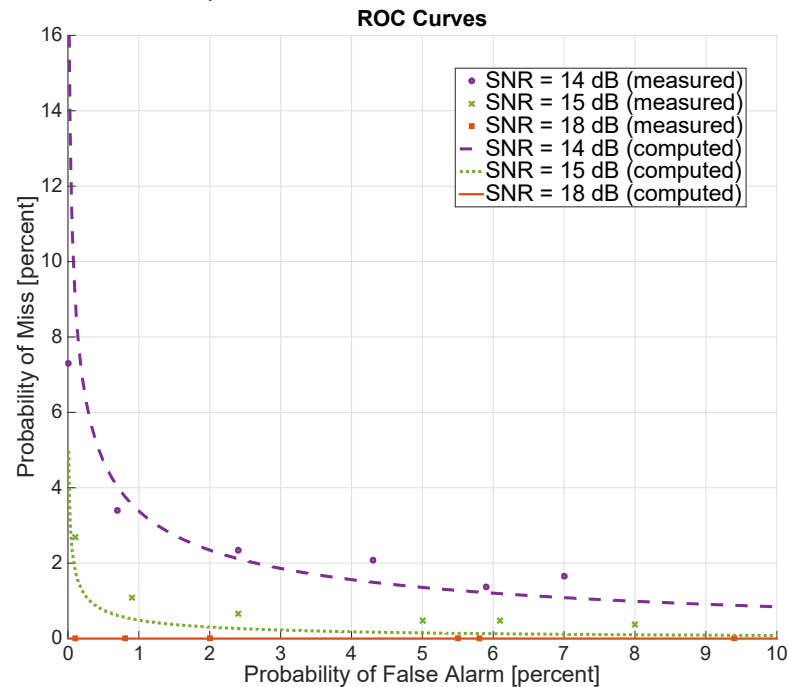
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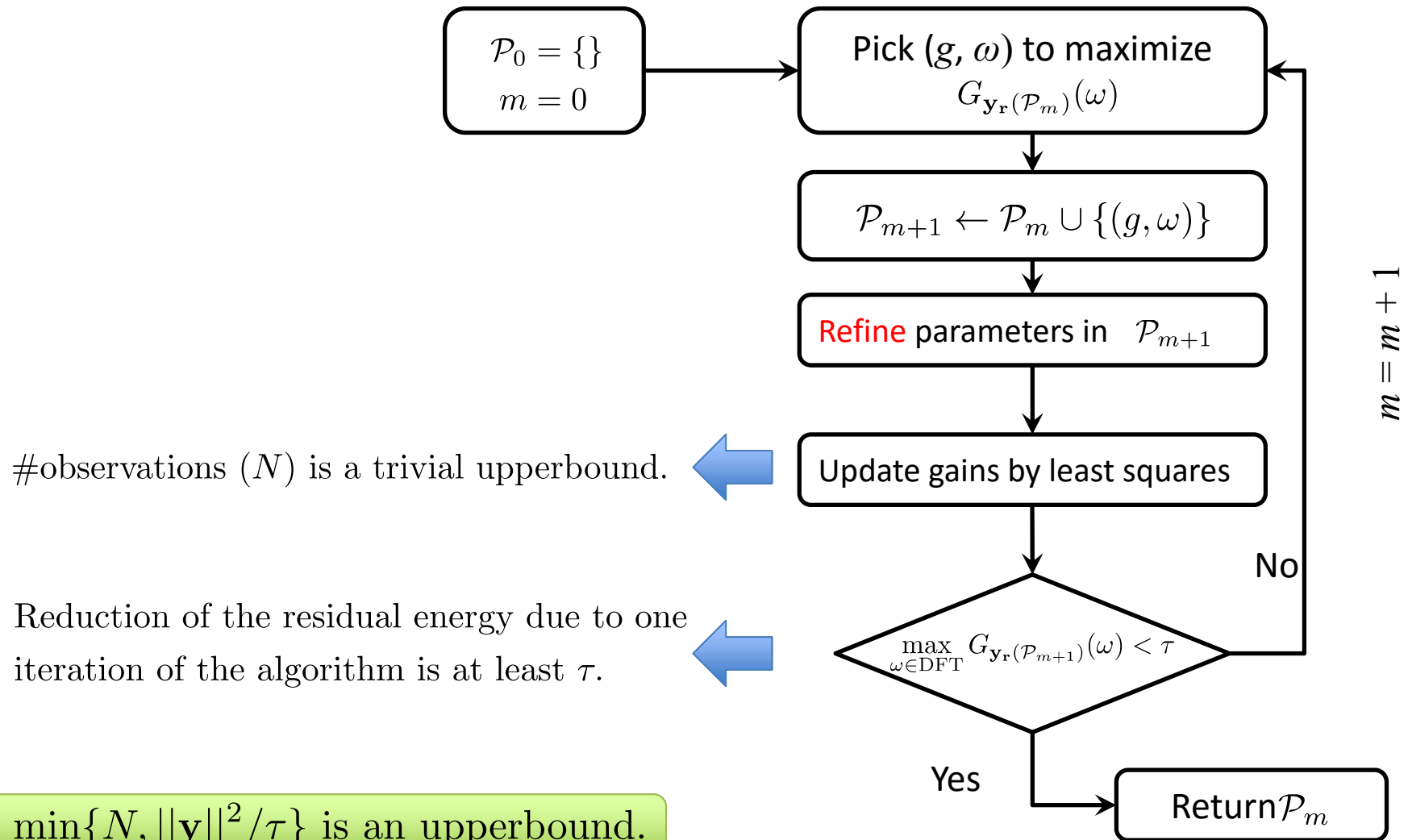
fixed nominal SNR

$\Delta\omega_{\text{min}} = 2.5\Delta_{\text{dft}}$



The resulting ROC turns out to be in remarkable agreement with simulations.

# Convergence: bounding # iterations



# Empirical Convergence Rate

NOMP – : just a single refinement step for the newly detected sinusoid

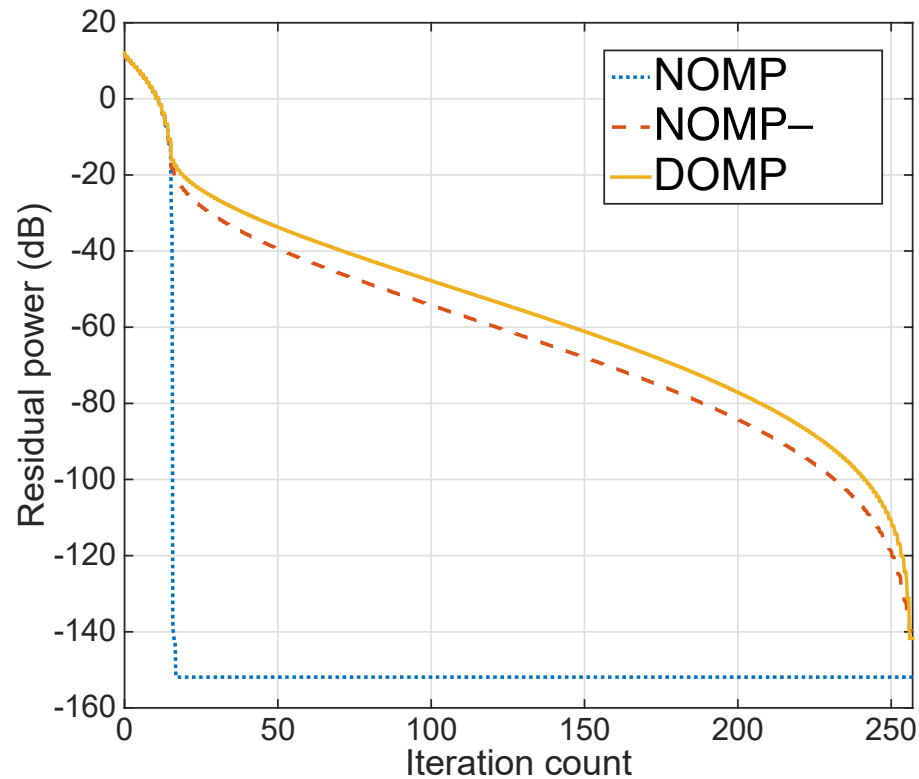
DOMP : discretize the parameter space and apply OMP

average over 1000 runs

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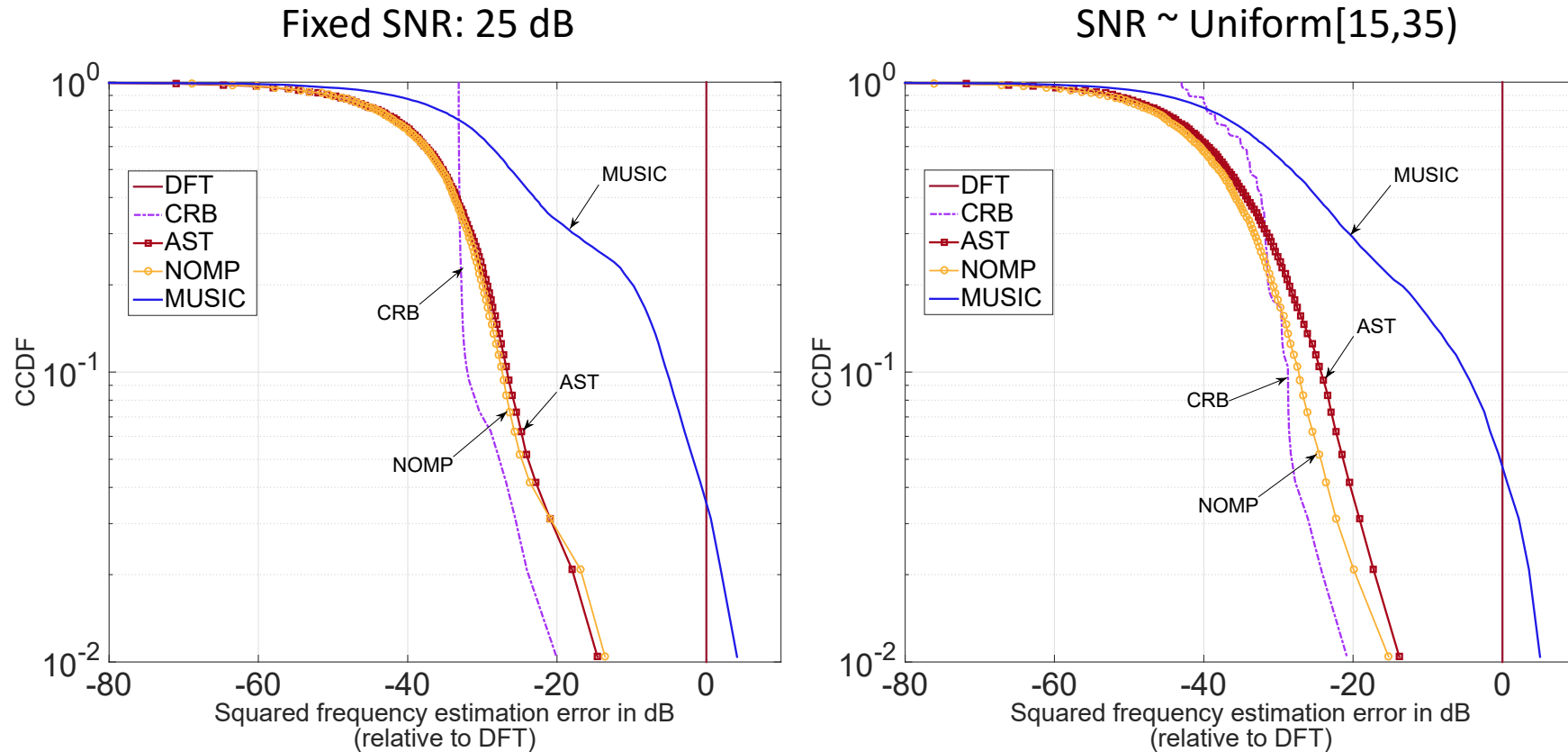
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$\Delta\omega_{\min} = 2.5\Delta_{\text{dft}}$



Cyclic refinements are critical for speeding up convergence

# Performance – Accuracy

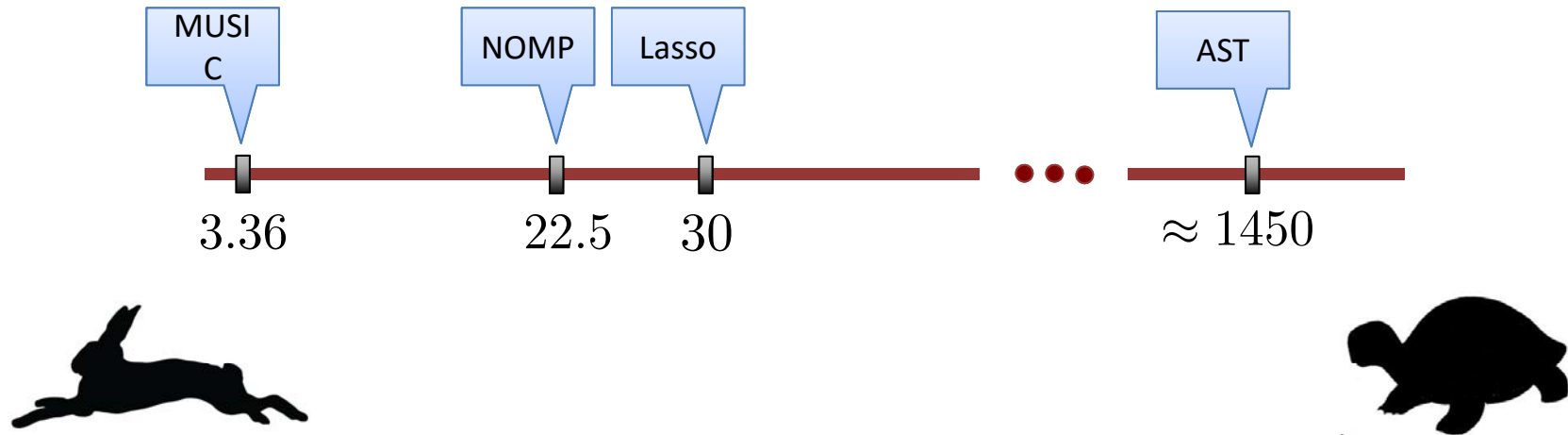


Comparison with state-of-the-art algorithm: Atomic norm Soft Thresholding (AST)

# Performance – Speed

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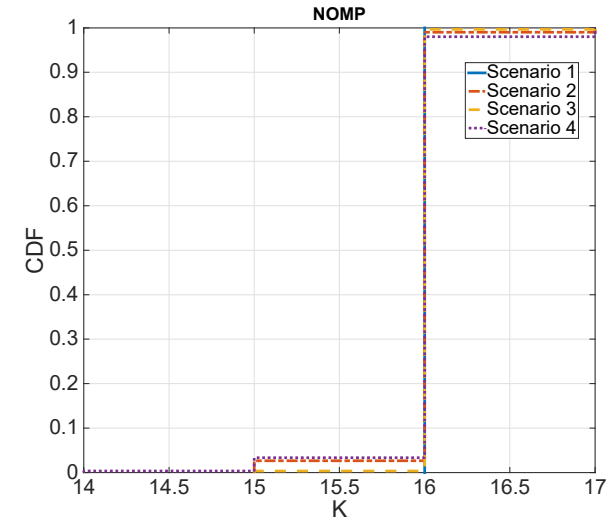
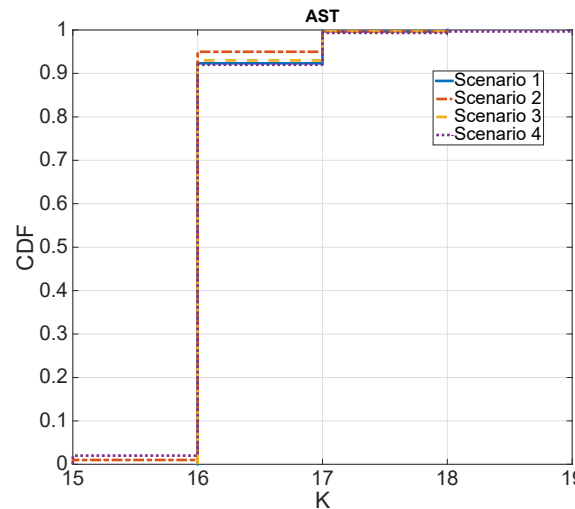
Run time of various algorithms over 300 simulation runs  
(#sinusoids in the mixture =16)



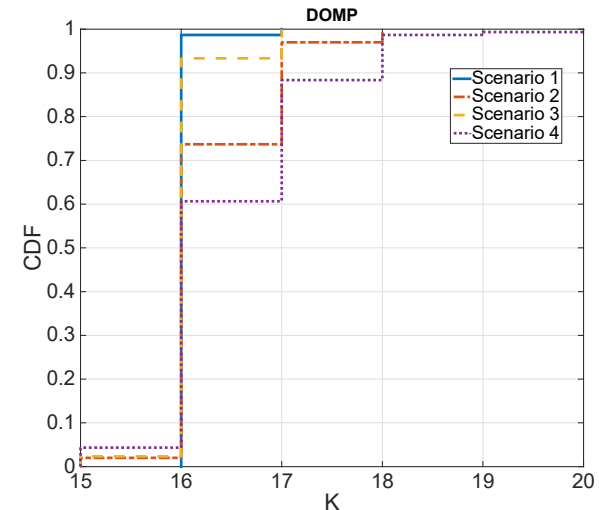
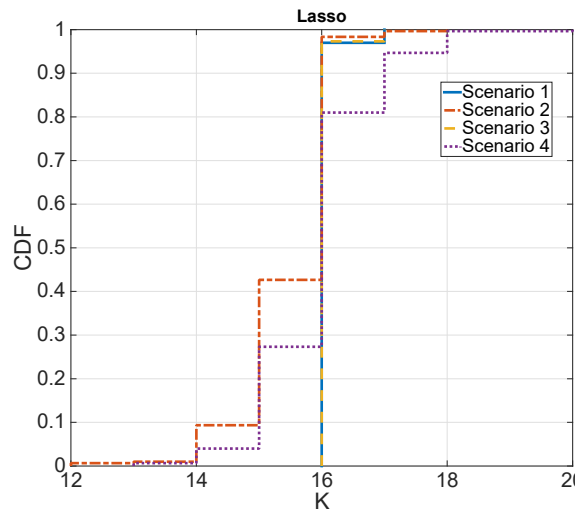


# Model Order (K) Estimation

| Scenarios | SNR (dB)         | $\Delta\omega_{\min}/\Delta_{dt}$ |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1         | 25               | 2.5                               |
| 2         | 25               | 0.5                               |
| 3         | Uniform [15, 35] | 2.5                               |
| 4         | Uniform [15, 35] | 0.5                               |



When minimum separation between frequencies is small, Lasso and DOMP make errors!



# Takeaways

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- Near-optimal sequential algorithm for the problem of estimating frequencies and gains in a noisy mixture of sinusoids.
- Superior estimation accuracy compared to state-of-the-art with significantly lower computational complexity.
- CFAR-based stopping criteria that leads to accurate model order estimation.
- Characterizing the effect of Newton refinements of the rate of convergence remains as an open issue.

You can download a MATLAB implementation of the algorithm here:

<https://bitbucket.org/wcslspectralestimation/continuous-frequency-estimation/src/NOMP>

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Questions??

# Sparse Approximation: Formulation

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Find sparse  $\mathbf{g}$  such that  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}(\omega)\mathbf{g}$

fat matrix

#rows =  $N$

#columns =  $\infty$

Finding maximally sparse representation:

$$\min_{\mathbf{g}} \|\mathbf{g}\|_0 \text{ such that } \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}(\omega)\mathbf{g}$$

known to be NP-hard!

# Sparse Approximation: Methods

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## Convex Optimization

Atomic Norm Soft Thresholding

Basis Pursuit

Lasso

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## Greedy Methods

Matching Pursuit

Orthogonal Matching Pursuit (OMP)

...

Newtonized OMP (NOMP)

# Sparse Approximation

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## Convex Optimization

Atomic Norm Soft Thresholding  
Basis Pursuit  
Lasso  
...

## Greedy Methods

Matching Pursuit  
Orthogonal Matching Pursuit  
...

|                           | Convex Optimization | Greedy Methods    |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Convergence Guarantees:   | Yes                 | Yes               |
| Performance :             | Consistently good   | Surprisingly good |
| Computational Complexity: | High                | Low               |

# Cyclic Refinement

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- Interpreted as a Feedback mechanism

$$\text{maximize}_{g,\omega} S(g, \omega)$$

$$S(g, \omega) = 2\Re\{\mathbf{y}^H g \mathbf{x}(\omega)\} - |g|^2 \|\mathbf{x}(\omega)\|^2$$

$$\text{Newton step: } \hat{\omega} = \omega - \dot{S}(g, \omega) / \ddot{S}(g, \omega)$$

Refinement Acceptance Condition (RAC): we accept refinement step only if residual energy decreases.

# Rate of convergence

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Maximizing the GLRT cost function over  $[0, 2\pi]$  is **consistent** with that over the oversampled grid  $\Omega$  with oversampling factor  $\gamma$ [2].

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\omega \in \Omega} \sqrt{G_{\mathbf{y}}(\omega)} &\leq \sup_{\omega \in [0, 2\pi)} \sqrt{G_{\mathbf{y}}(\omega)} \\ &\leq \left(1 - \frac{2\pi}{\gamma}\right)^{-1} \max_{\omega \in \Omega} \sqrt{G_{\mathbf{y}}(\omega)}. \end{aligned}$$

**Atomic Norm Definition:**

The atomic set of unit norm sinusoids:  $\mathcal{A} = \{e^{j\phi} \mathbf{x}(\omega) : \phi, \omega \in [0, 2\pi)\}$

Atomic norm for  $\mathbf{s}$ :  $\|\mathbf{s}\|_{\mathcal{A}} \triangleq \inf\{t > 0 : \mathbf{s} \in t \operatorname{conv}(\mathcal{A})\}$

$$\|\mathbf{s}\|_{\mathcal{A}} = \inf \left\{ \sum_l |g_l| : \mathbf{s} = \sum_l g_l \mathbf{x}(\omega), \mathbf{x}(\omega) \in \mathcal{A} \right\}$$




# Rate of Convergence

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Bound on the *rate of convergence*:

$$\|\mathbf{y}_r(\mathcal{P}_m)\| \leq (m + 1)^{-1/2} \left(1 - \frac{2\pi}{\gamma}\right)^{-1} \|\mathbf{y}\|_{\mathcal{A}}$$

 Oversampling Factor  
compared to DFT

Comparing with OMP over the continuum:

$$\|\mathbf{y}_r(\mathcal{P}_m)\| \leq (m + 1)^{-1/2} \|\mathbf{y}\|_{\mathcal{A}}$$

**Discretizing** the parameter space does not cost us much in terms of convergence rate.

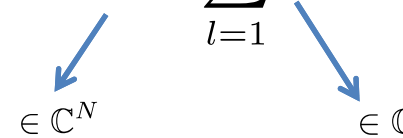
Open problem: characterizing the effect of **Newton refinements** on increasing the convergence rate?

# AST

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Mixture of sinusoids:

$$\mathbf{y} = \sum_{l=1}^K g_l \mathbf{x}(\omega_l) + \mathbf{z}$$



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When centroid of the  $\text{conv}(\mathcal{A})$  is at the origin, the atomic norm can be rewritten as

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Measurement model:  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{z}$

AST formulation:  $\text{minimize}_{\mathbf{s}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{s}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{s}\|_{\mathcal{A}}$

# Lasso

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- If we discretize the parameter space (grid of frequencies), AST formulation boils down to Lasso

$\Phi : N \times M$  Fourier matrix

$$\|\mathbf{s}\|_{\mathcal{A}_M} = \min\{\|c\|_1 : \mathbf{s} = \Phi c\}$$

$$\text{minimize}_{\mathbf{s}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{s}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{s}\|_{\mathcal{A}_M}$$

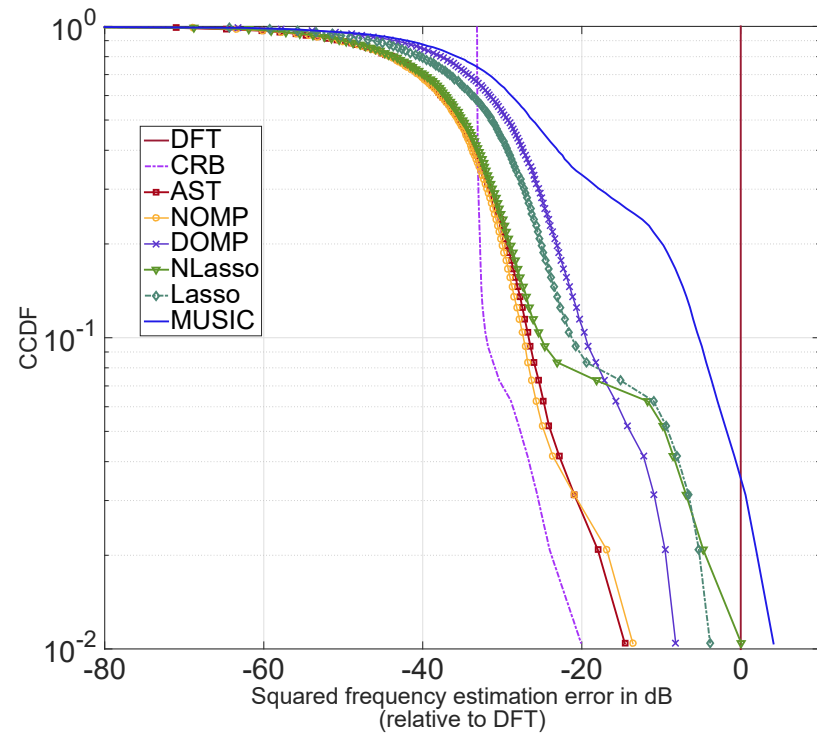


$$\text{minimize}_c \|\mathbf{y} - \Phi c\|_2^2 + \lambda \|c\|_1$$

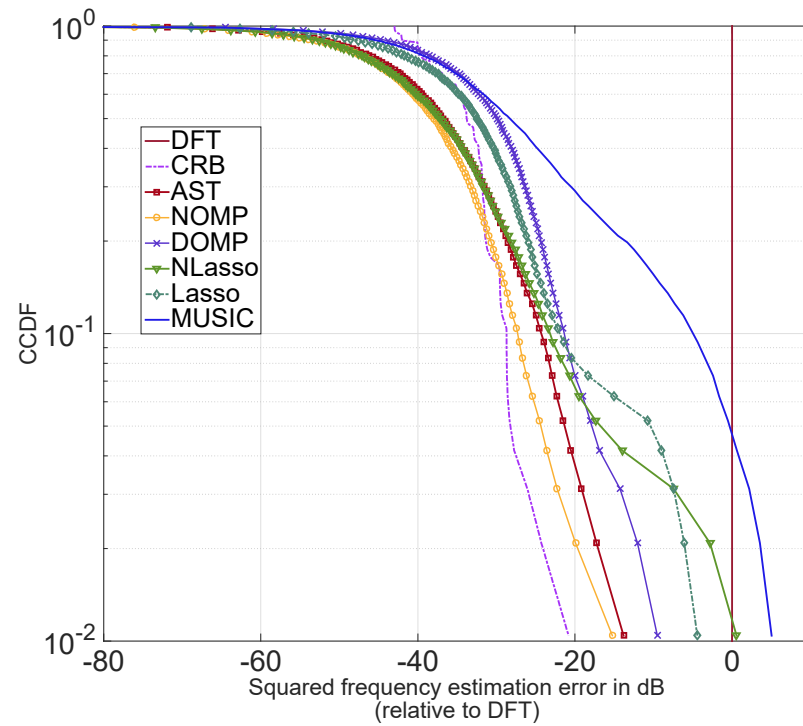
Lasso  $\rightarrow$   $\ell_1$ -regularized  $\ell_2$  minimization

# Performance – Accuracy

Fixed SNR: 25 dB



SNR  $\sim$  Uniform[15,35]



# Performance – speed

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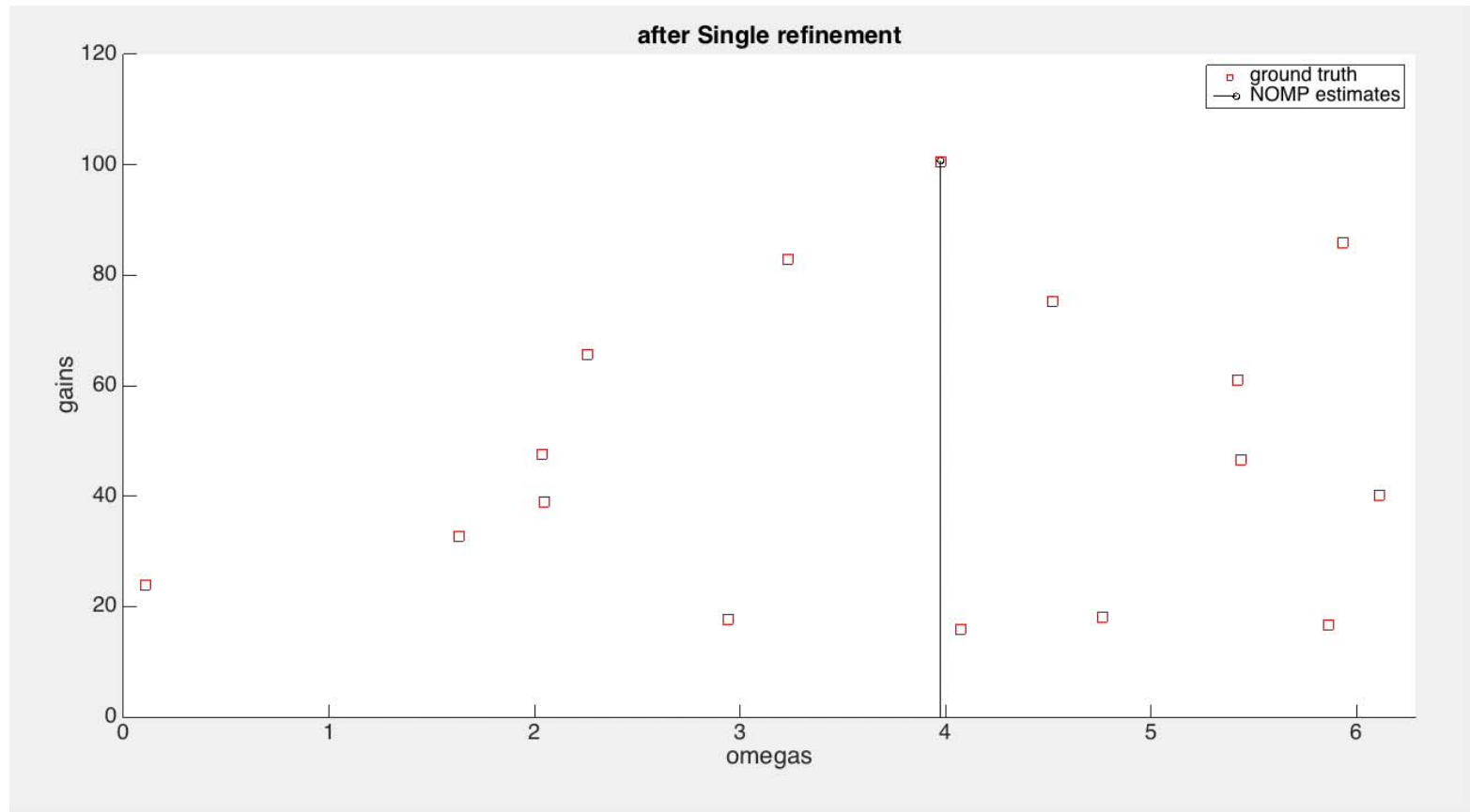
Run time of various algorithms over 300 runs (#sinusoids =16)

| Scenarios | SNR (dB)        | $\Delta\omega_{\min}/\Delta_{\text{dft}}$ |
|-----------|-----------------|---|
| 1         | 25              | 2.5                                       |
| 2         | 25              | 0.5                                       |
| 3         | Uniform[15, 35] | 2.5                                       |
| 4         | Uniform[15, 35] | 0.5                                       |

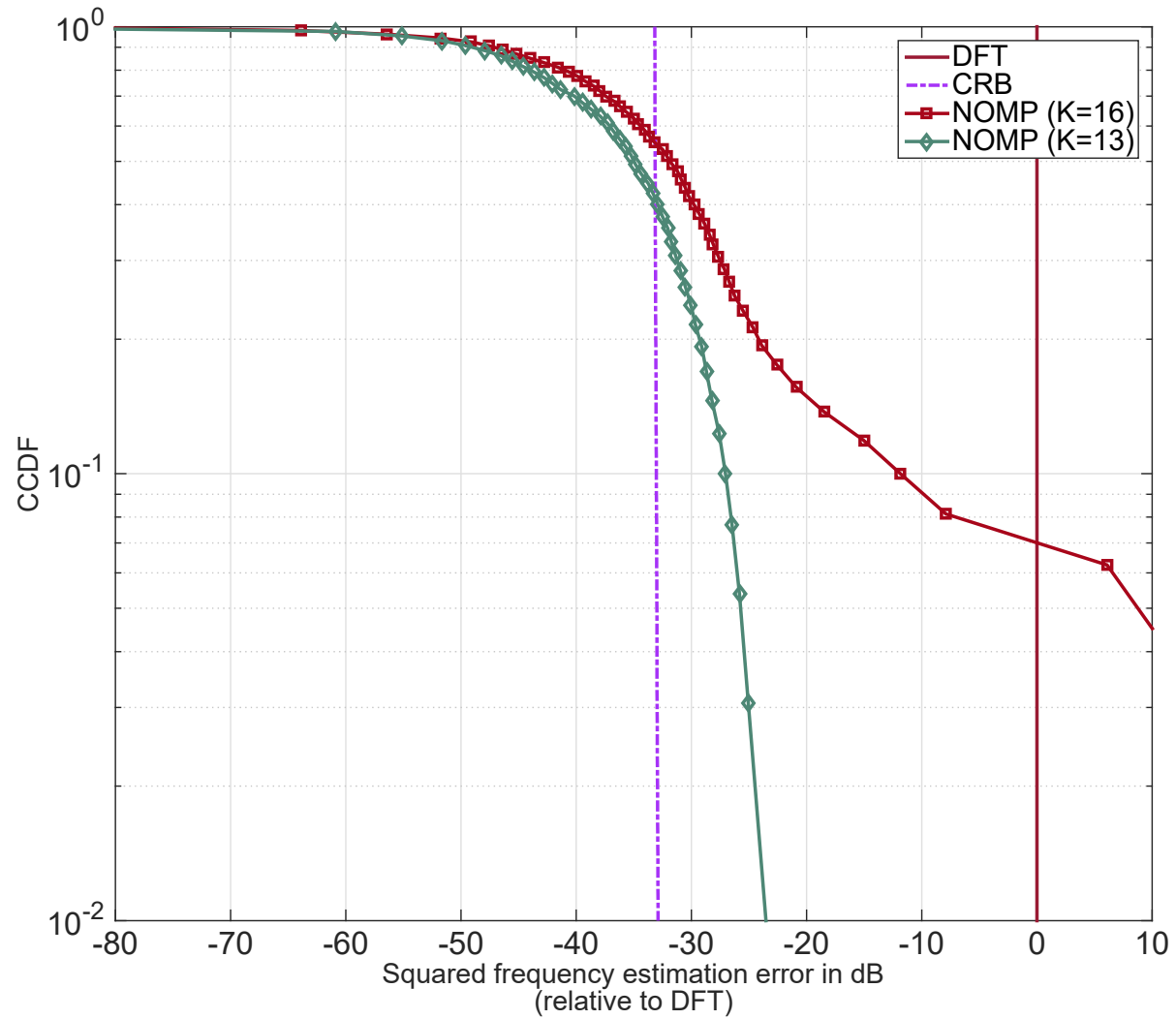
| Time [sec] | NOMP  | AST    | NLasso | Lasso | DOMP | MUSIC |
|------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|------|-------|
| Scenario 1 | 22.79 | 1.27e3 | 26.62  | 23.68 | 2.69 | 3.26  |
| Scenario 2 | 22.05 | 1.26e3 | 26.42  | 24.55 | 2.87 | 3.27  |
| Scenario 3 | 22.40 | 1.38e3 | 32.37  | 29.28 | 2.82 | 3.17  |
| Scenario 4 | 22.45 | 1.45e3 | 32.02  | 30.10 | 2.80 | 3.36  |

# Performance – Animation

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# Compressive Acquisition



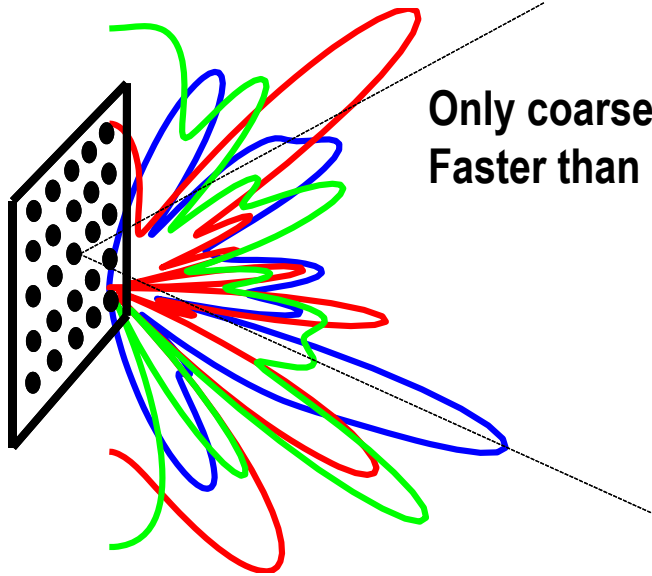
# Applying NOMP to picocells

How to estimate a 1000-dimensional  
spatial channel?

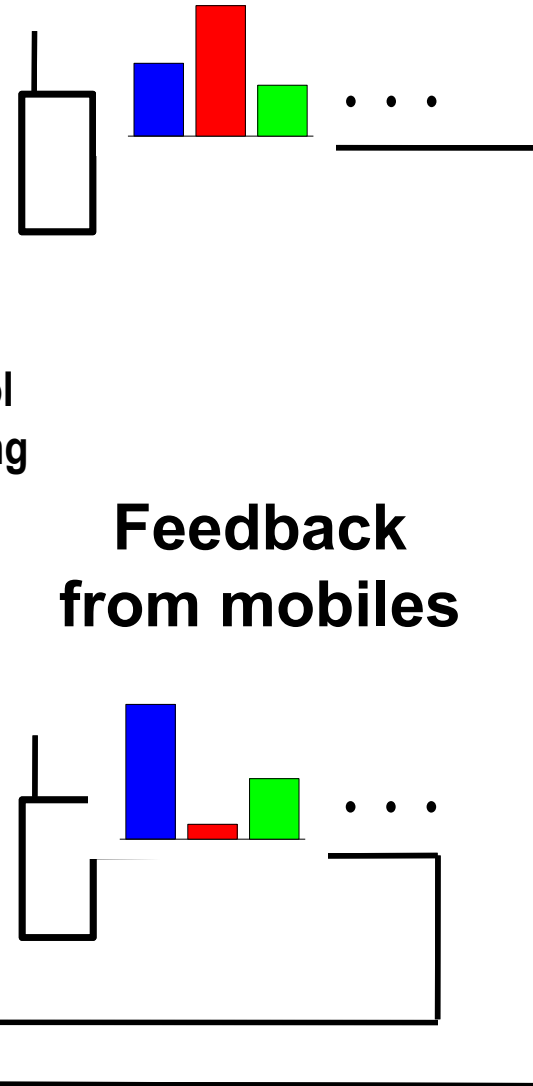


# Compressive adaptation

Random  
phases  
from  
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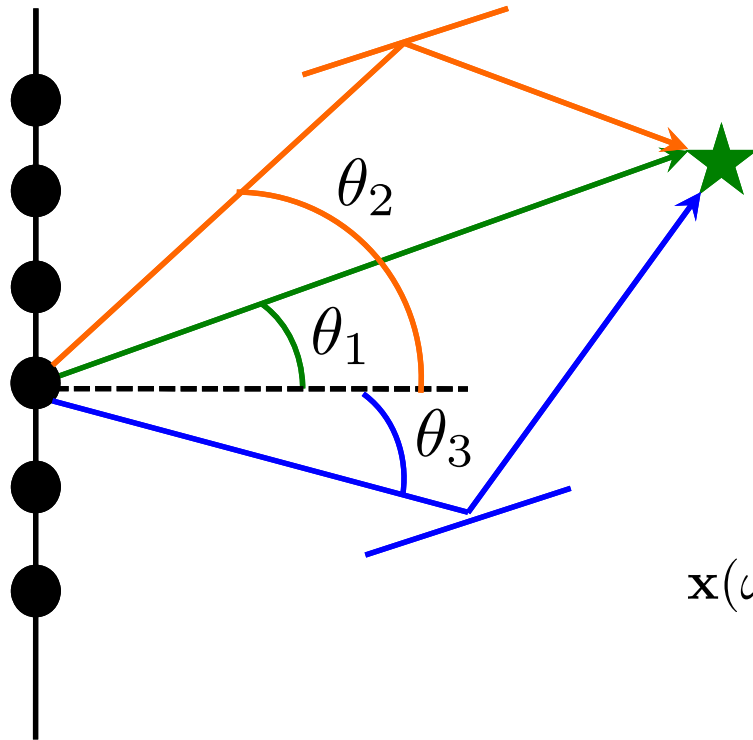
Only coarse phase control  
Faster than beam scanning



Feedback  
from mobiles

Base station  
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# Estimation problem



Channel is a sum of a few sinusoids

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$$\mathbf{x}(\omega) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ e^{j\omega} \\ e^{j2\omega} \\ \vdots \\ e^{j(N-1)\omega} \end{pmatrix} \quad \omega_i = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta_i$$

Mobile makes compressive measurements

$$y_i = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{h}, i = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

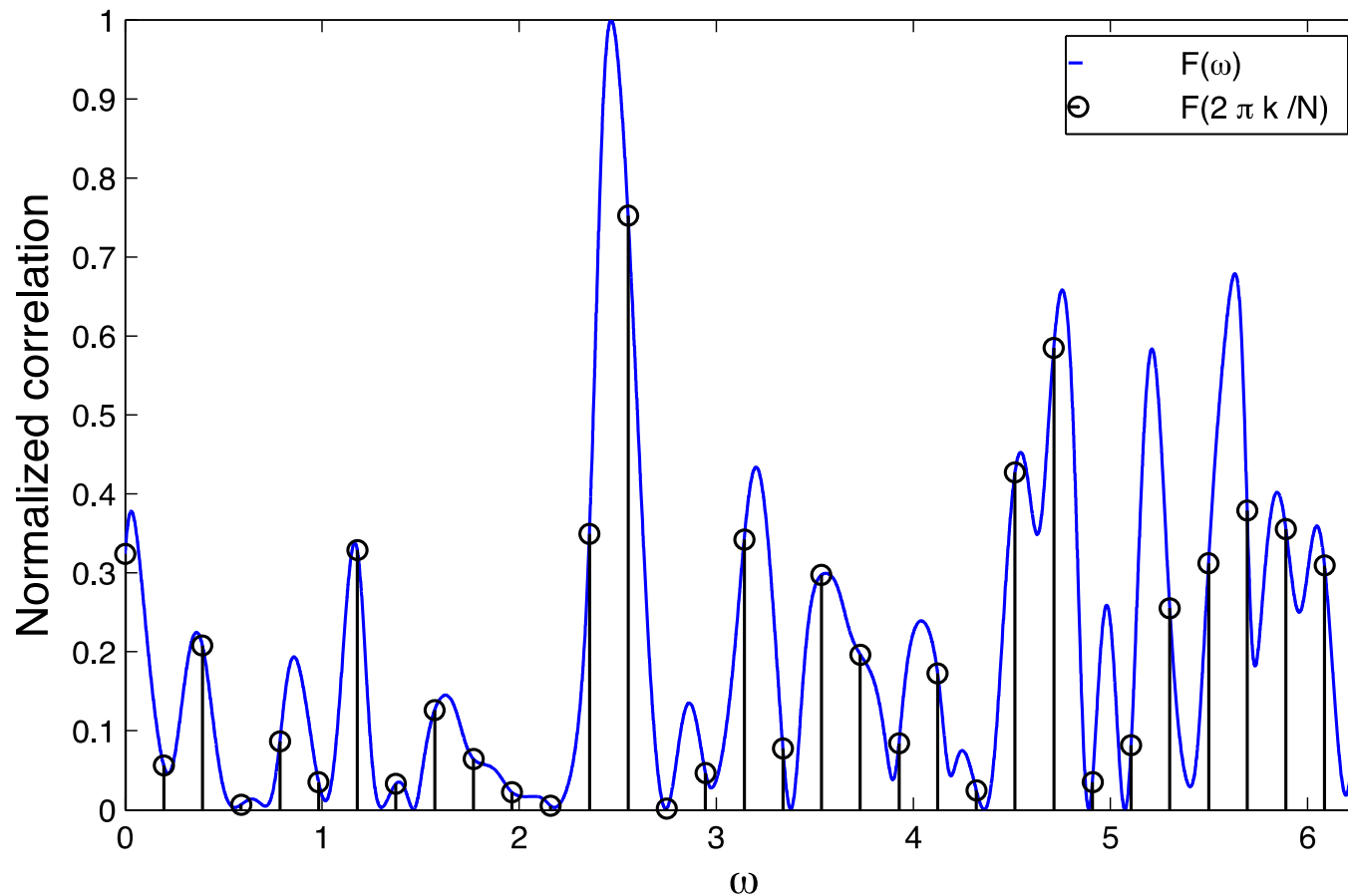
Estimate gains and spatial frequencies from compressive measurements

# Algorithm

- Acquisition
  - No knowledge of spatial frequencies whatsoever
- Tracking
  - Leverage frequency estimate from previous round
  - Refine based on new measurements

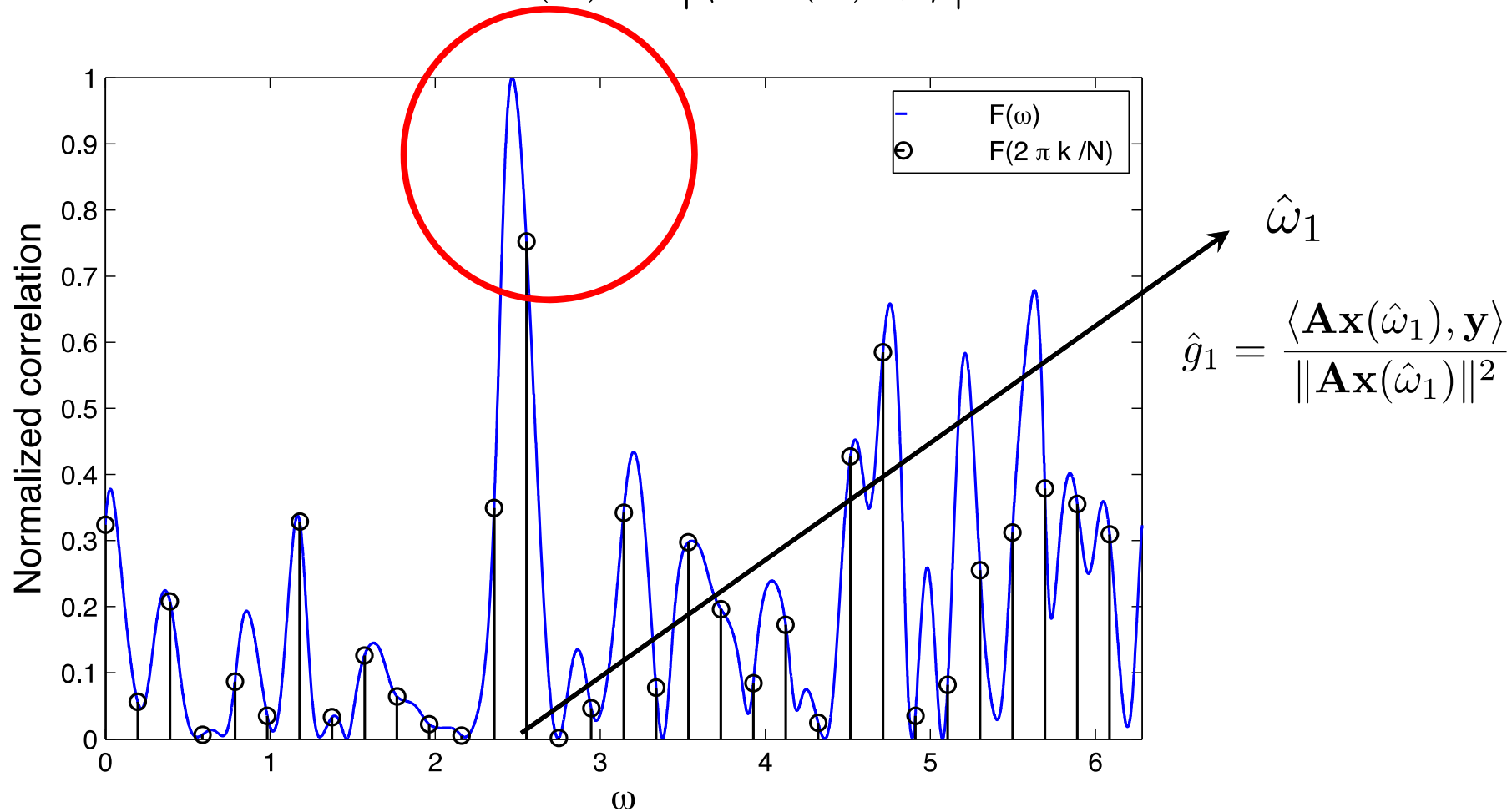
# Acquisition: Coarse Estimate

$$\text{maximize } F(\omega) = |\langle \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(\omega), \mathbf{y} \rangle|^2$$
$$\omega = 0, \frac{2\pi}{2N}, 2 \left( \frac{2\pi}{2N} \right), \dots, (2N - 1) \left( \frac{2\pi}{2N} \right)$$

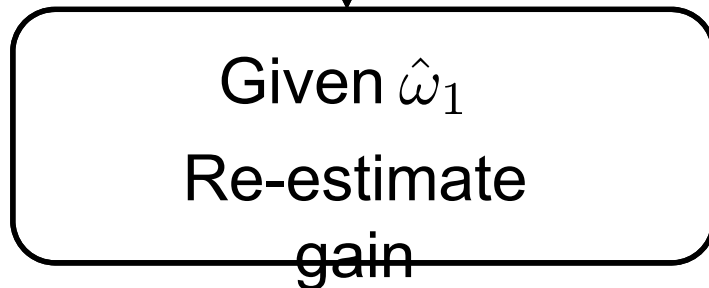
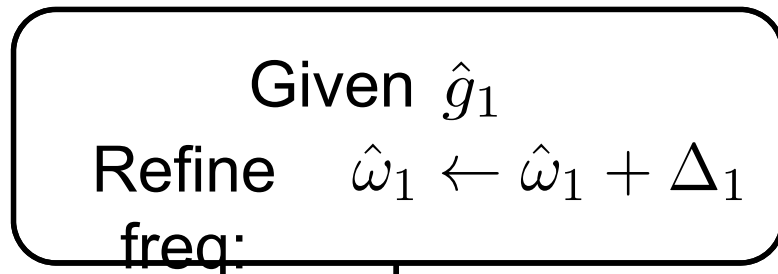


# Acquisition: Coarse Estimate

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# Acquisition: Refine Estimate

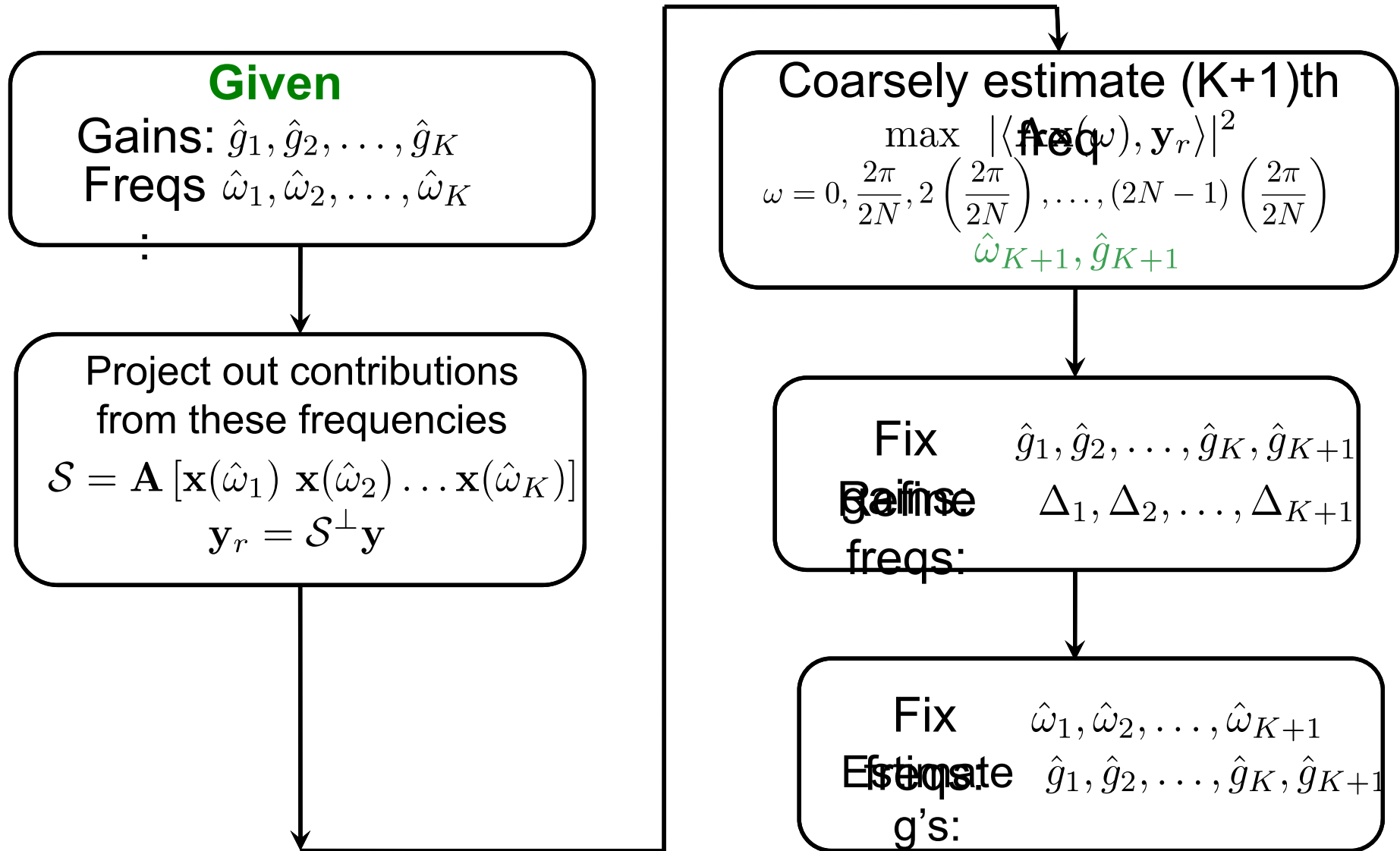


$$\mathbf{y} = \hat{g}_1 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}(\hat{\omega}_1 + \Delta_1) + \mathbf{n}$$
$$[\mathbf{y} - \hat{g}_1 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}(\hat{\omega}_1)] = \left[ \hat{g}_1 \mathbf{A} \frac{d\mathbf{x}(\hat{\omega}_1)}{d\omega} \right] \Delta_1 + \mathbf{n}$$

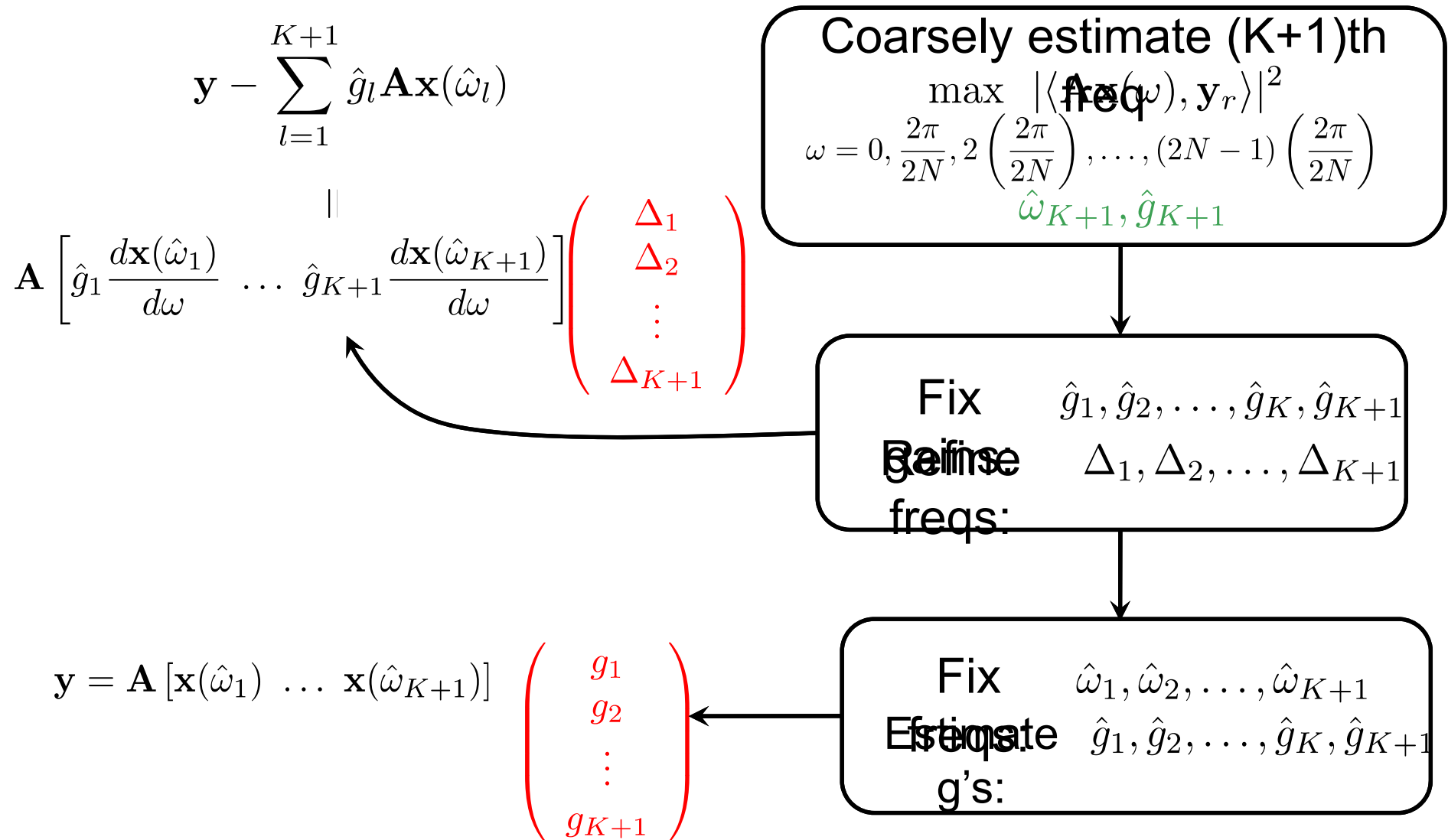
$\Delta_1 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\mathbf{y} = g_1 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}(\hat{\omega}_1) + \mathbf{n}$$

# Multiple Frequencies



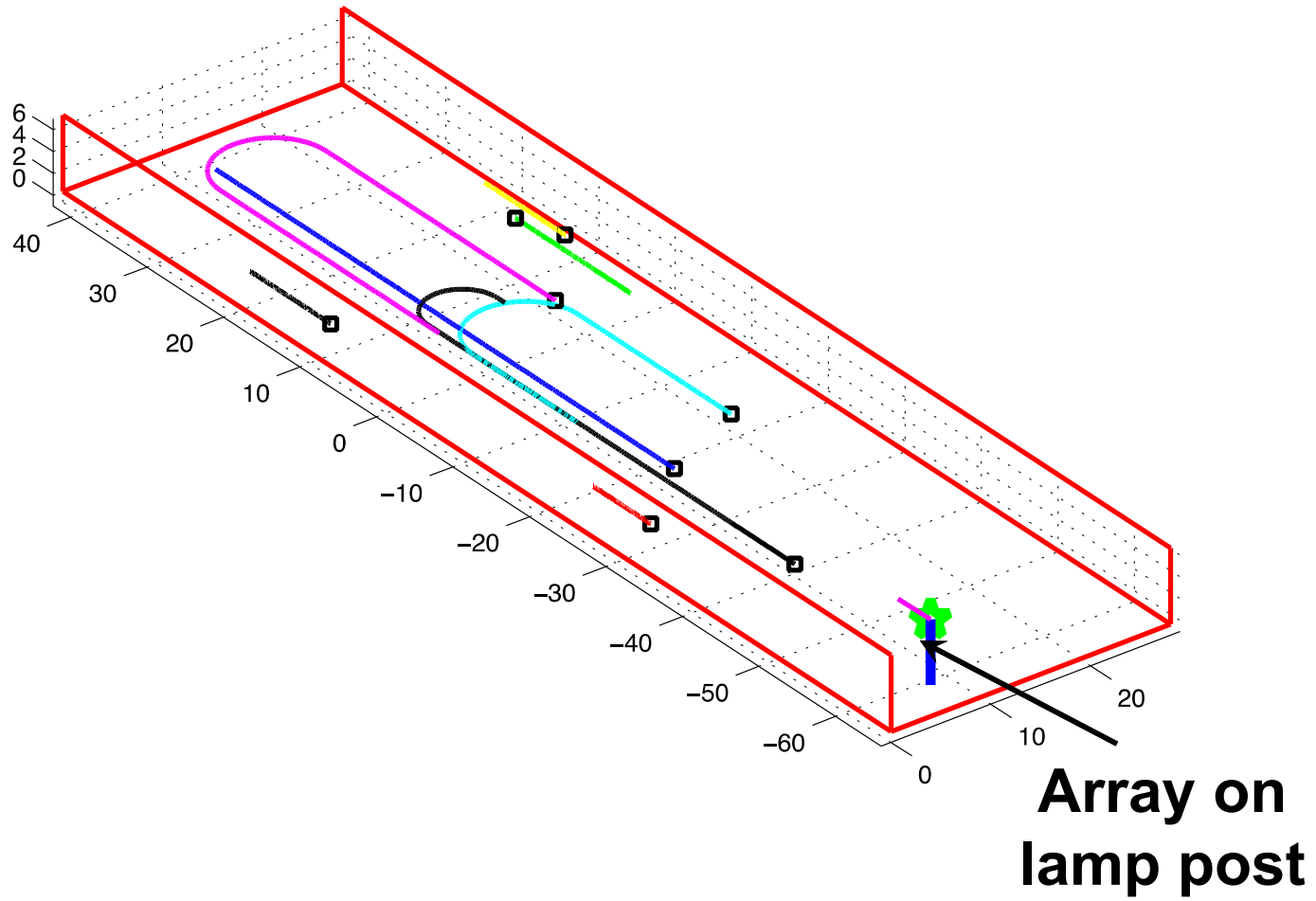
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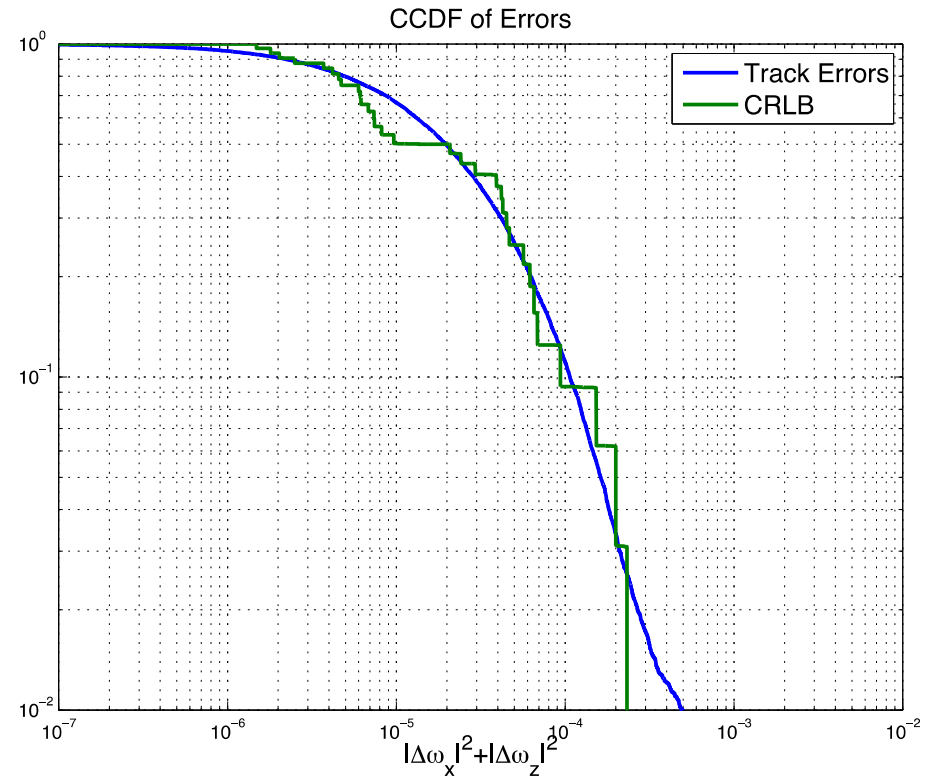
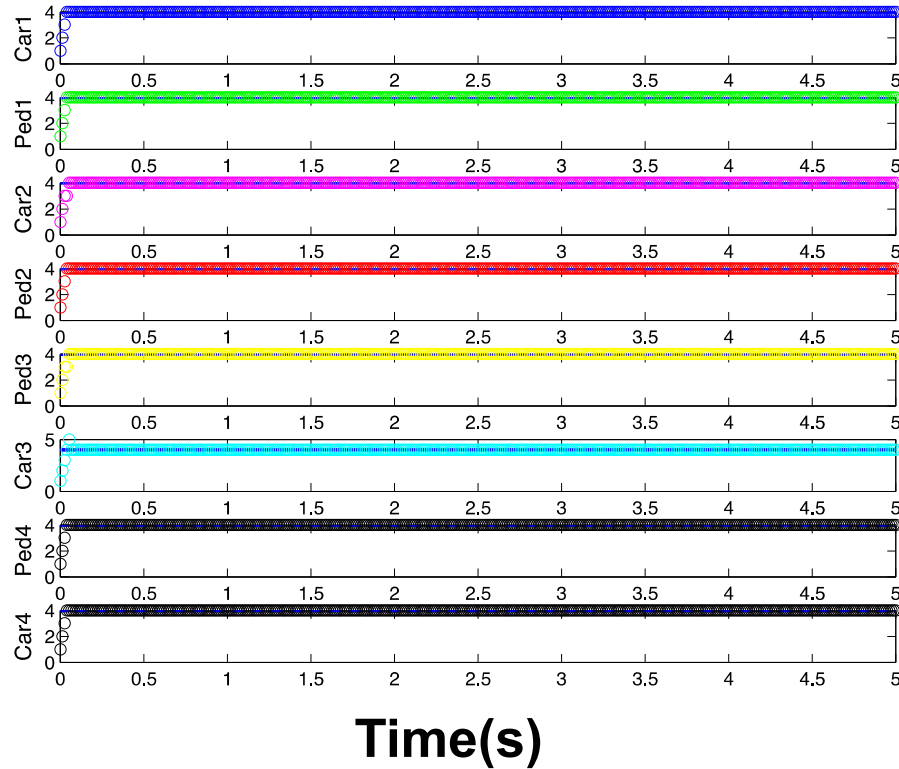
Same algorithm works for tracking, just bootstrap with estimate from prior round



# Simulation Setup



# Results



**Estimated number of  
beams**

**Estimation errors close  
to CRB**

# Take-aways

- Unique challenges of adapting large mm wave arrays
- Compressive adaptation approach
- New theory of compressive estimation
- New insight on algorithms attaining CRB
  - Coarse grid, then gradient or Newton based refinement does work
  - (If SNR is high enough to get past ZSB threshold)
- Specific motivating application, but leads to rather general techniques

# Beyond the basics

Z. Marzi, D. Ramasamy, U. Madhow, “Compressive channel estimation and tracking for large arrays in mm wave picocells,” IEEE J. Selected Topics in Signal Processing, April 2016.

## **Concept system design for urban picocells**

Number of beacons (isometry, SNR),  
beacon management and reuse,  
how to incorporate receive antenna arrays, ...

# Compressive estimation in AWGN

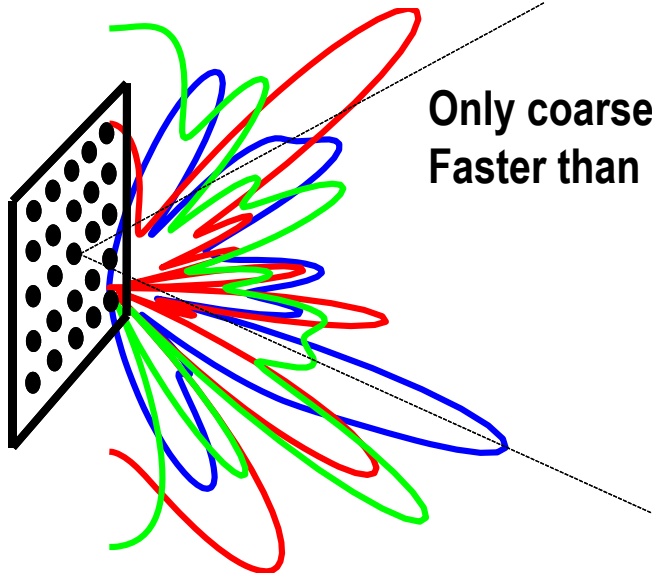
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# Quick recall of original motivation

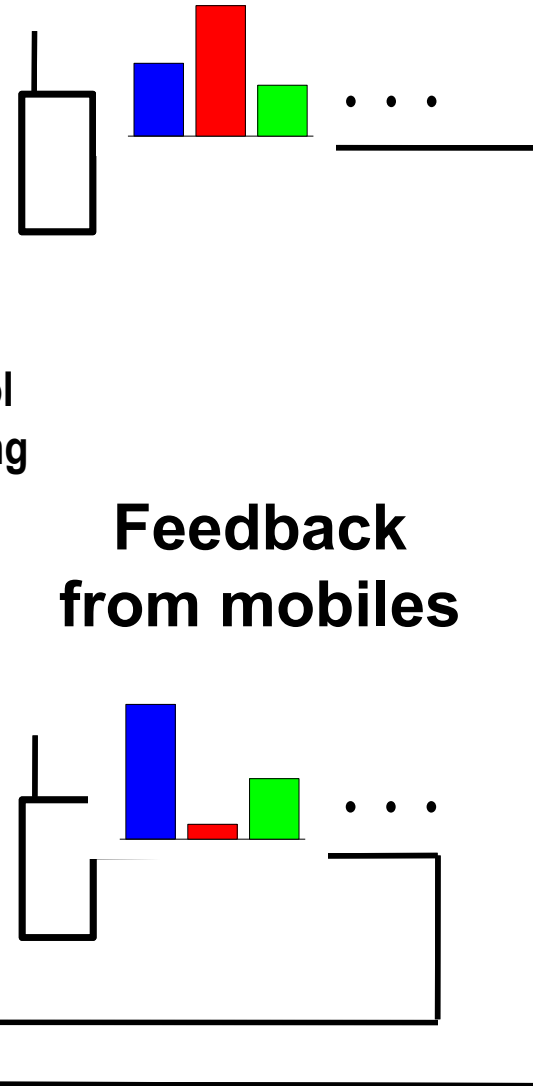
(compressive picocellular architectures)

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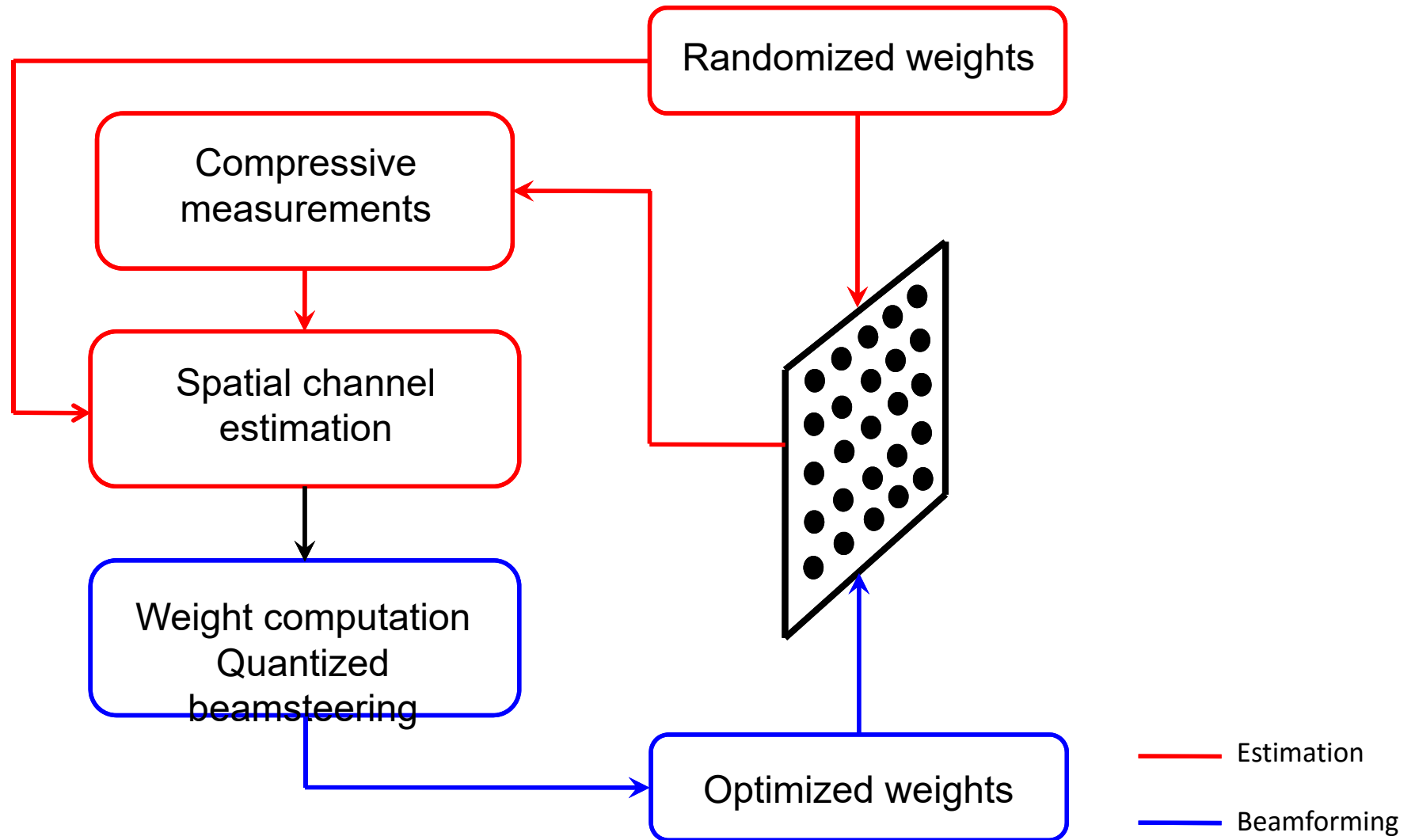
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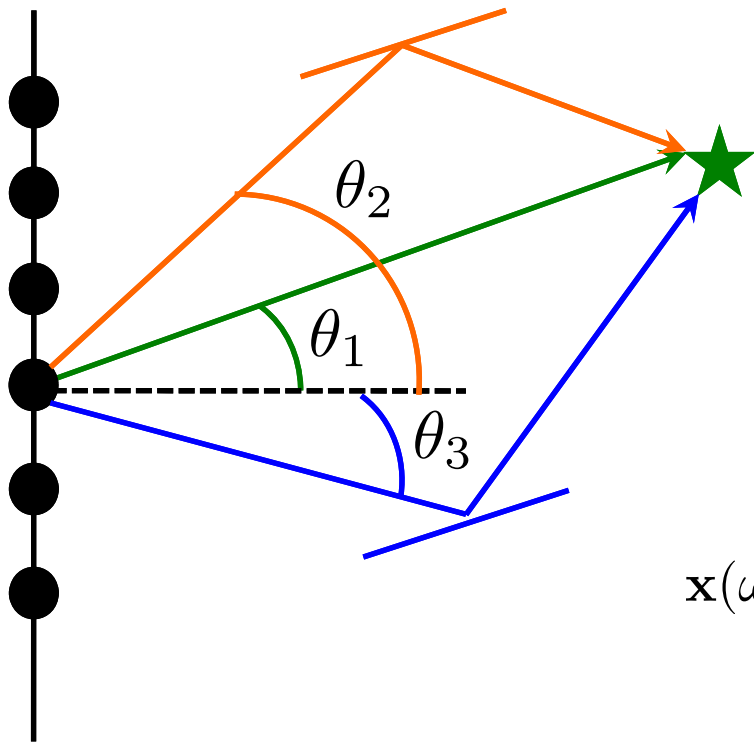
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# Compressive Adaptation Architecture





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# We have seen the algorithms

Compressive NOMP (greedy + refinement)

Quantized beamforming (greedy sequential)

Back to the theory

# Standard parameter estimation

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \mathbf{z}, \quad \mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_M)$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text{ML}} = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|$$

## Performance measures

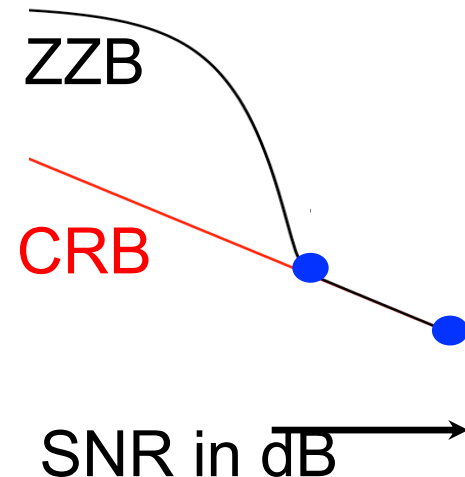
Cramer-Rao Bound (CRB) when close to truth

Ziv-Zakai bound (ZZB) more generally

(are you in the right bin? How close, once in the right bin?)

**ZZB tends to CRB at high SNR (high prob of right bin).**

**This is when estimation can be expected to “work well.”**



# Performance depends on Euclidean distances

**CRB depends on Fisher Information Matrix**

$$F_{m,n}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \Re \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_m} \right)^H \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_n} \right\}$$

Depends on changes in signal geometry for small changes in parameter

**Ziv-Zakai bound is based on an associated detection problem**

$$H_1 : \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) + \mathbf{z}, \Pr(H_1) = \frac{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1)}{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) + p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)}$$

$$H_2 : \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) + \mathbf{z}, \Pr(H_2) = \frac{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)}{p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) + p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)}.$$

Depends on changes in signal geometry for general changes in parameter

$$d(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) = \|\mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) - \mathbf{s}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)\|$$

# Compressive measurements: model

**High-dimensional signal space**  $\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \mathbb{R}^N$

(but unknown parameter lies in low-dimensional space)

**M compressive measurements**

$$y_i = \langle \mathbf{w}_i, \mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_t) + \mathbf{z}_i \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{w}_1 \cdots \mathbf{w}_M]^T$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_t) + \mathbf{z}$$

$$\mathbf{z}_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_N)$$

**Noise power is same**

$$\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_M)$$

**When does this provide the “same” performance as standard estimation?**

# Compressive estimation works well when:

1) Signal space geometry is preserved

(similar to RIP for compressive sensing)

2) “Effective SNR” is high enough

# The structure of compressive estimation

## GENERAL STRUCTURE

### 1) Required isometries

CRB: Preserve distance changes under small perturbations

ZZB: Preserve distance changes generally

### 2) SNR penalty ( $\rightarrow$ “effective SNR”)

Dimension reduction from  $N$  to  $M \rightarrow$  SNR reduction by  $M/N$

### 3) Definition of “working well”

ZZB tends to CRB (coarse errors highly unlikely)

## PROBLEM-SPECIFIC ANALYSIS

**How many observations needed to preserve isometries?**



# Isometries needed

**Tangent plane isometry (for CRB)**

$$\sqrt{\frac{M}{N}}(1 - \epsilon) \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A} \sum a_m (\partial \mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) / \partial \theta_m)\|}{\|\sum a_m (\partial \mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) / \partial \theta_m)\|} \leq \sqrt{\frac{M}{N}}(1 + \epsilon)$$
$$\forall [a_1, a_2, \dots, a_K]^T \in \mathbb{R}^K \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}, \forall \boldsymbol{\theta} \in \Theta$$

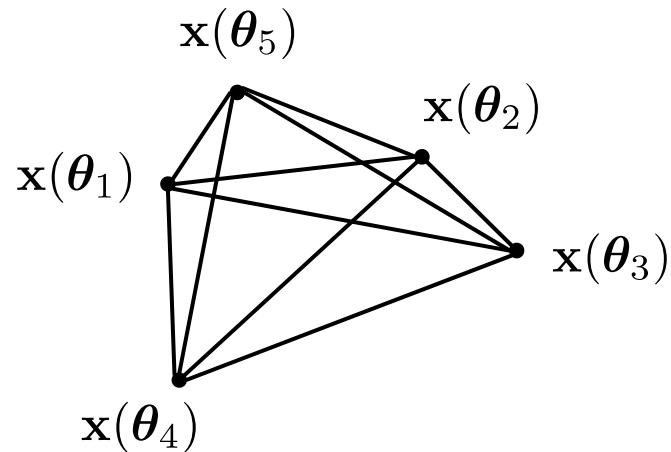
**Pairwise  $\epsilon$ -isometry (for ZZB)**

$$\sqrt{\frac{M}{N}}(1 - \epsilon) \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)\|}{\|\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1) - \mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_2)\|} \leq \sqrt{\frac{M}{N}}(1 + \epsilon)$$
$$\forall \boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2 \in \Theta.$$

# What geometry preservation looks like

All measurements

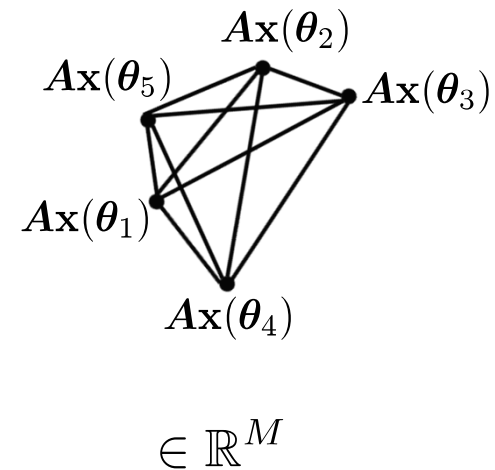
$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_t) + \mathbf{z} \quad \mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_N)$$



$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_i} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i)\|^2$$

Compressive measurements

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_t) + \mathbf{z} \quad \mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_M)$$



$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_i} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i)\|^2$$

# Why we can hope for geometry preservation

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{x}(\theta_i) - \mathbf{x}(\theta_j)$$

- Random projections must preserve norm of

$$\frac{1}{M} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{i=M} |\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{v}|^2 \xrightarrow[\text{concentrates}]{M \text{ large enough}} \text{Mean } (1/N) \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$$

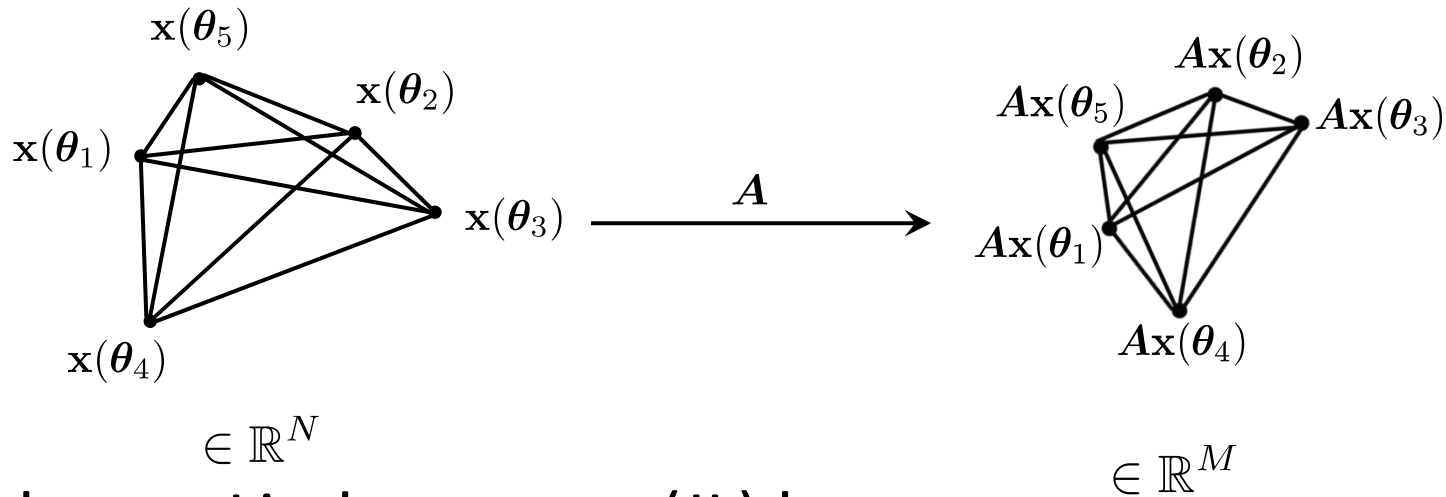
↑  
i.i.d. with mean  $(1/N) \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$

- Chernoff bound on deviations from the mean (with tolerance  $\varepsilon$ ) + Union bound (for all pairwise differences)

## Johnson-Lindenstrauss (JL) Lemma

Achlioptas, "Database-friendly Random Projections", 2001

# How many measurements?



Johnson-Lindenstrauss (JL) lemma:

Pairwise  $\epsilon$ -isometry for finite signal model  $\mathcal{H} = \{\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i)\}$   
when the number of random projections is

$$M = O(\epsilon^{-2} \log |\mathcal{H}|)$$

$K$  signals,  $M$  measurements

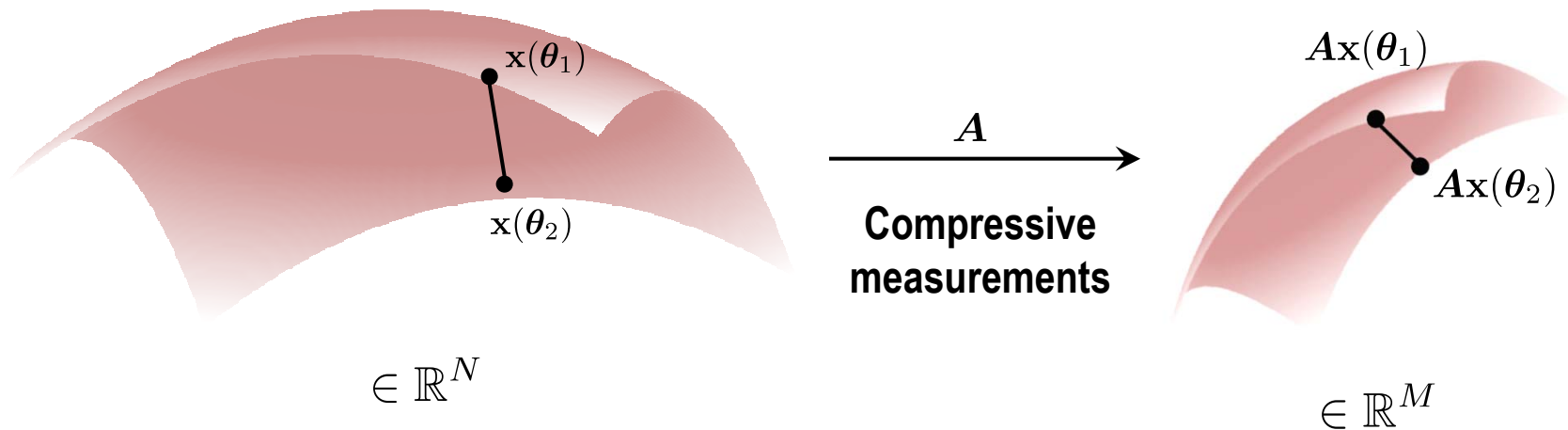
Chernoff bound + Union bound  $\sim K^2 e^{-\alpha M}$

$\Rightarrow M = O(\log K)$

# Continuous signal model

Parameters come from a continuum  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^K$

Need pairwise isometries for all  $(\theta_1, \theta_2)$  pairs

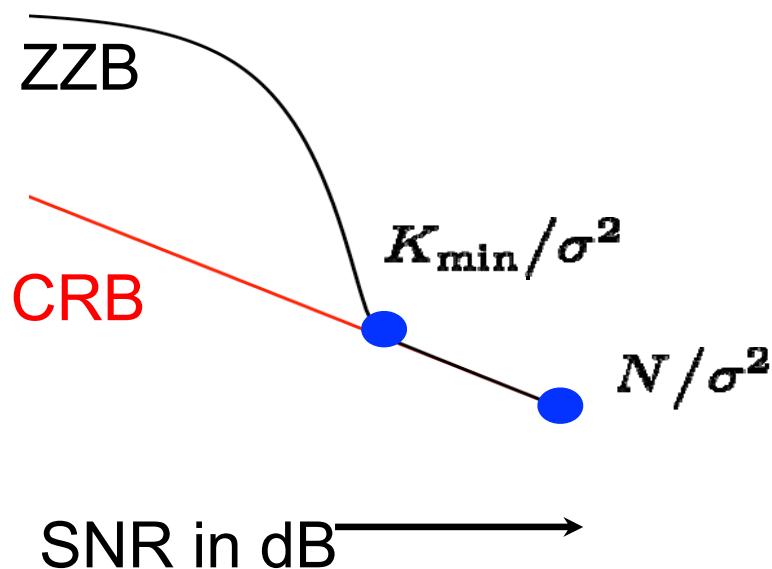


**Cannot directly use JL lemma**

**But discretization, JL lemma, and smoothness can be used to do the trick**

# How many measurements for good performance?

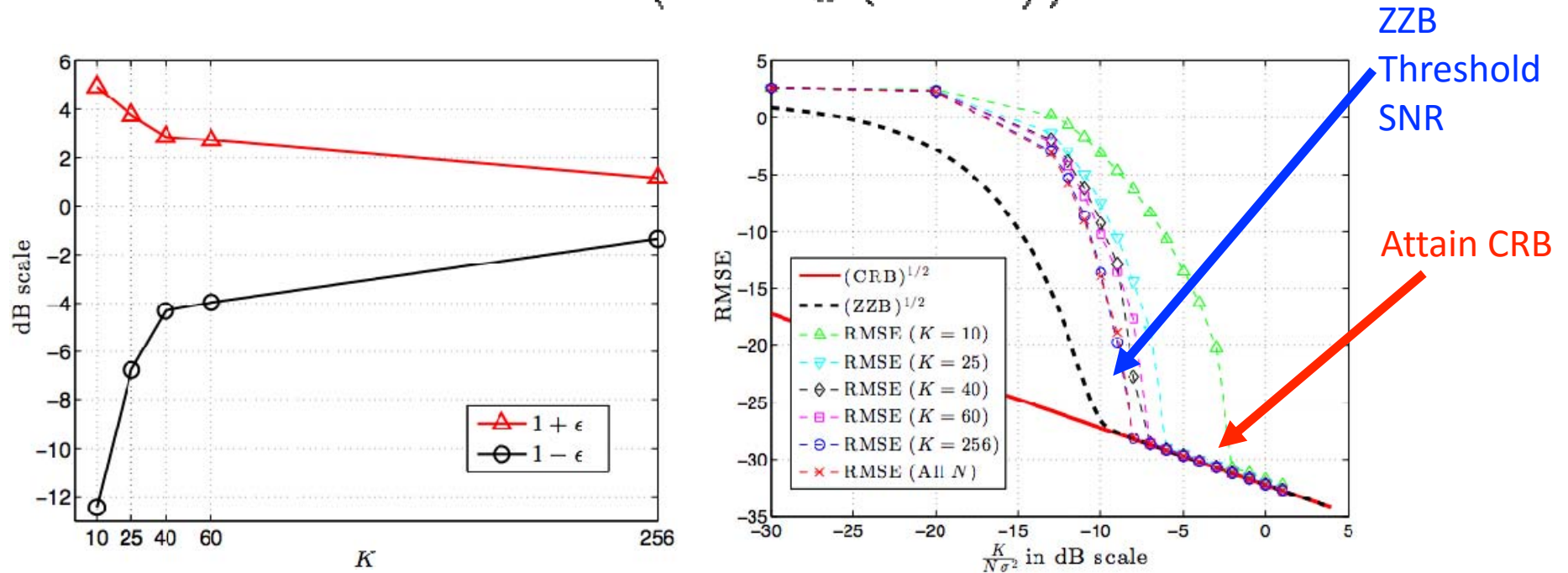
- If pairwise isometry holds, then both CRLB and ZZB go through
  - Only effect of compressive measurements is SNR reduction
- Number of measurements must satisfy two criteria for good performance
  - Should be enough to provide pairwise isometry
  - Effective SNR should be such that ZZB tends to CRLB



# Attaining the CRB for a sinusoid

Problem-specific analysis  $\rightarrow$  Pairwise isometry requires

$$K = O(\epsilon^{-2} \log(N\epsilon^{-1}))$$



More random projections  $\longrightarrow$   
 Better isometry constants

Effective SNR  $\longrightarrow$

RMSE performance for 40+ measurements closely follows that for all N=256 measurements  
 Isometry constants good for 40+ measurements

$$K = \min(40, \text{ZB threshold SNR} \times N\sigma^2)$$

# Beamforming and nullforming with drastically quantized weights

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Summer school, June 27-July 1, 2016, IISc, Bangalore

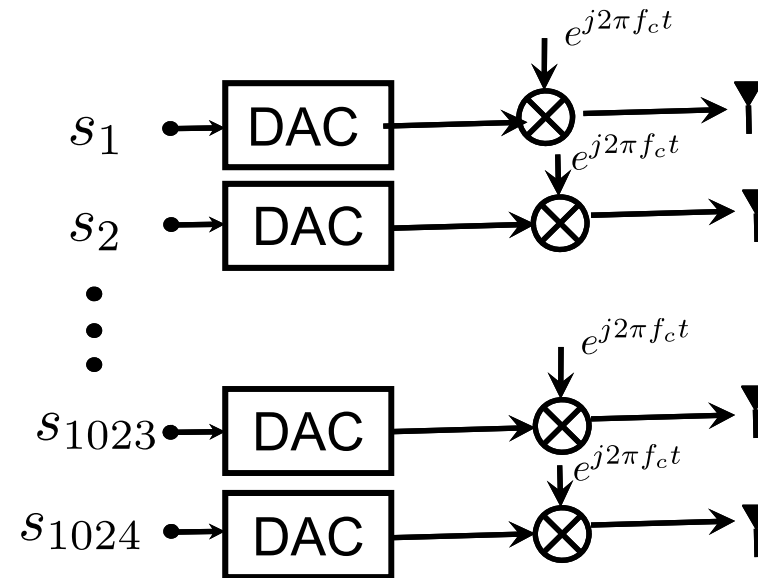


# A reminder of the overall context

Adapting very large mm wave arrays

# Traditional Digital Beamforming

Easy to implement:  
Zero Forcing  
MMSE  
Codebook based approaches

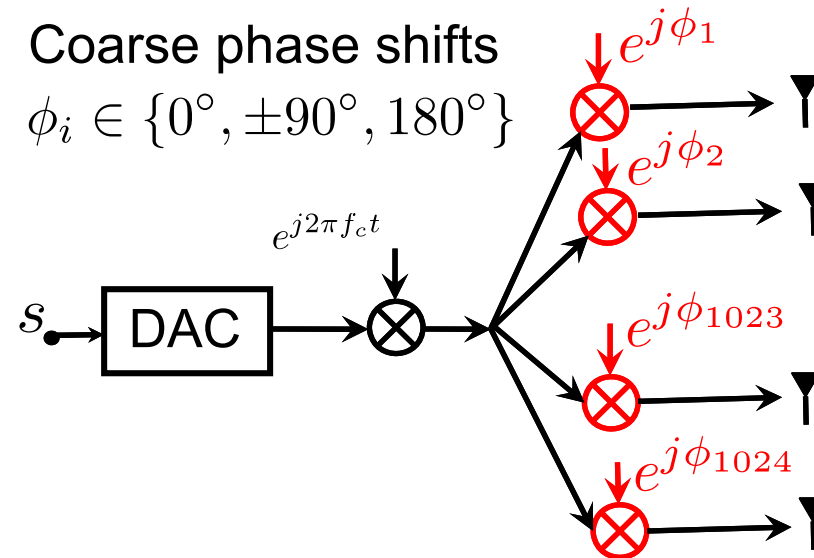


**What's the problem?**

**Digital beamforming does not scale to 1000 elements!**

**(Cost and power consumption)**

# RF Beamforming with hardware constraints

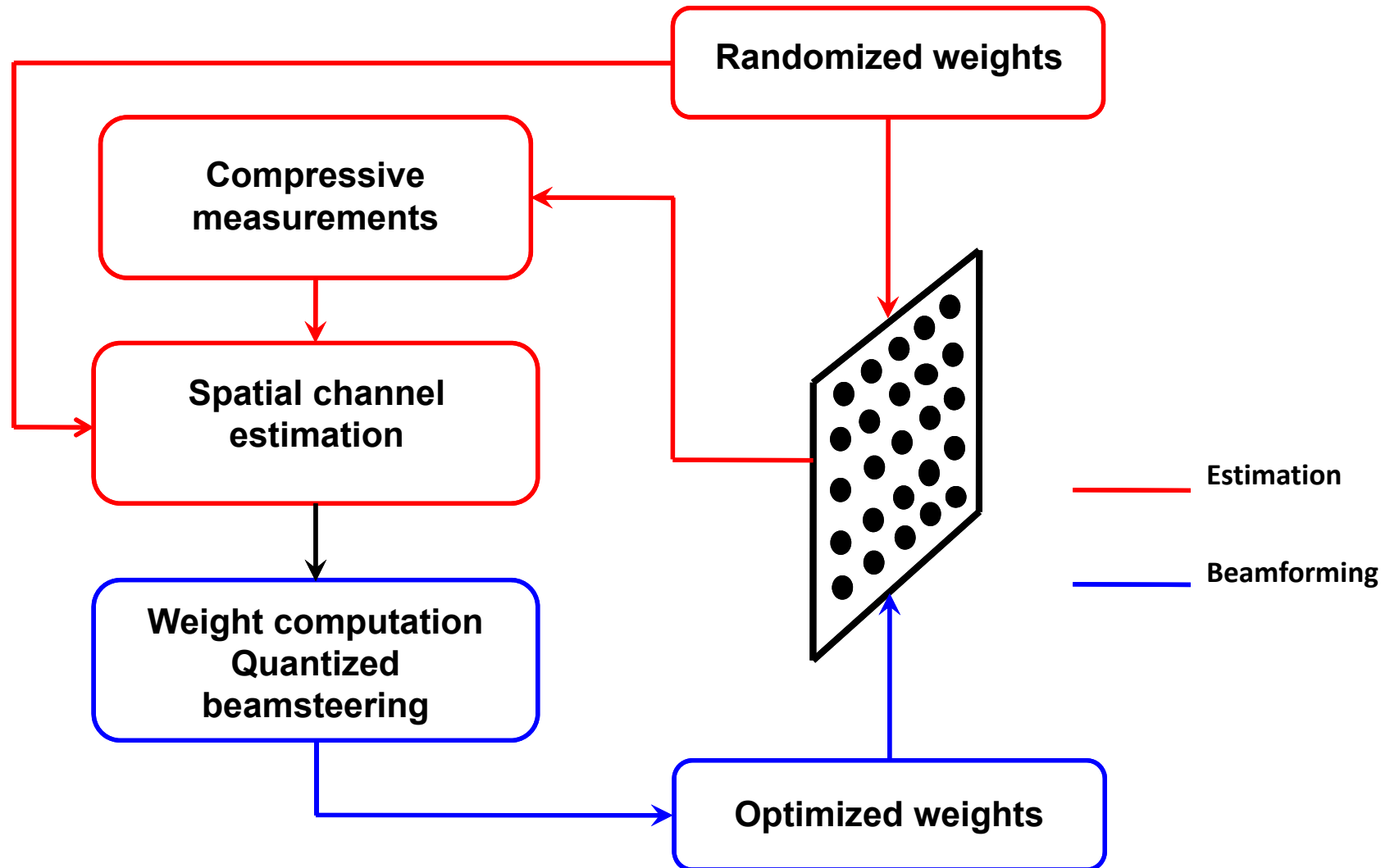


**Much more feasible**

**But how do we adapt it?**

**No access to individual elements  $\rightarrow$  least squares does not work**

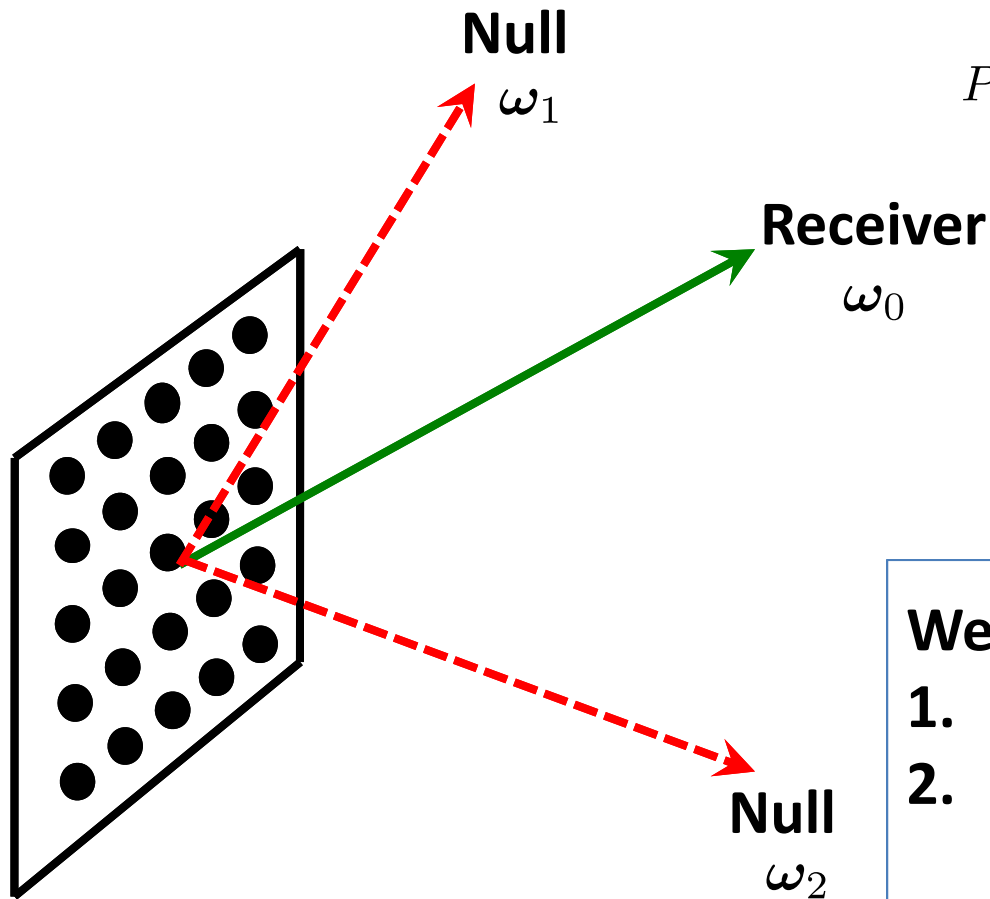
# Compressive Adaptation Architecture



# Quantized Beamsteering

Slides prepared by Zhinus Marzi

# Large arrays with coarse weights



$$P = \left| \sum_{m,n} g_{mn} e^{j\beta_{mn}} \exp(j(m\omega_x + n\omega_y)) \right|^2$$

$$\omega_x = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \cos \theta \cos \phi$$

$$\omega_y = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \cos \theta \sin \phi$$

**We are limited to:**

- 1. Fixed gains**
- 2. Coarse control over phases (2 bits:  $\pm 1, \pm j$ )**

# Approach

1. Compute a good starting point by relaxing constraints
  - Zero-forcing solution with no constraint on amplitude/phase
2. Quantize phases to nearest among  $(\pm 1, \pm j)$
3. Sequentially alter phases to improve Signal-to-Null Ratio

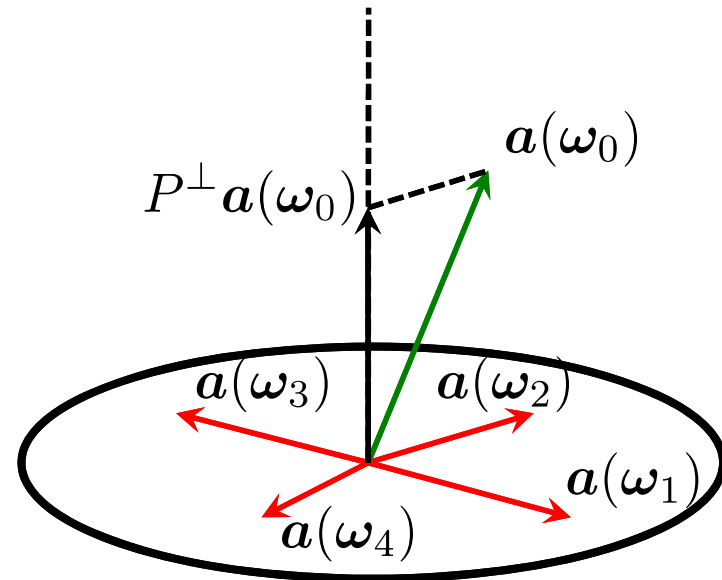
# Step 1: Zero Forcing Solution

$$P = \left| \sum_{m,n} g_{mn} e^{j\beta_{mn}} \exp(j(m\omega_x + n\omega_y)) \right|^2$$

$$\psi = \text{vec} [e^{j\beta_{mn}}]$$

$$\mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = \text{vec} [g_{mn} \exp(-j(m\omega_x + n\omega_y))]$$

$$P(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = |\mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\omega})^H \boldsymbol{\psi}|^2$$



## Goals

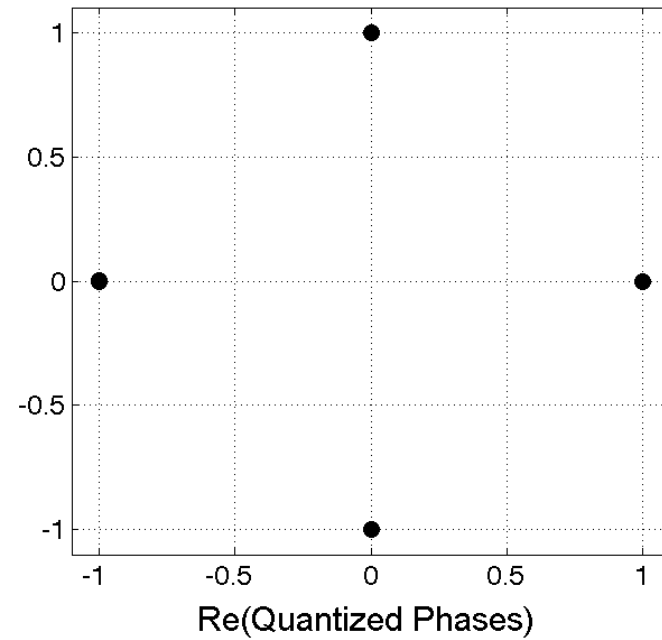
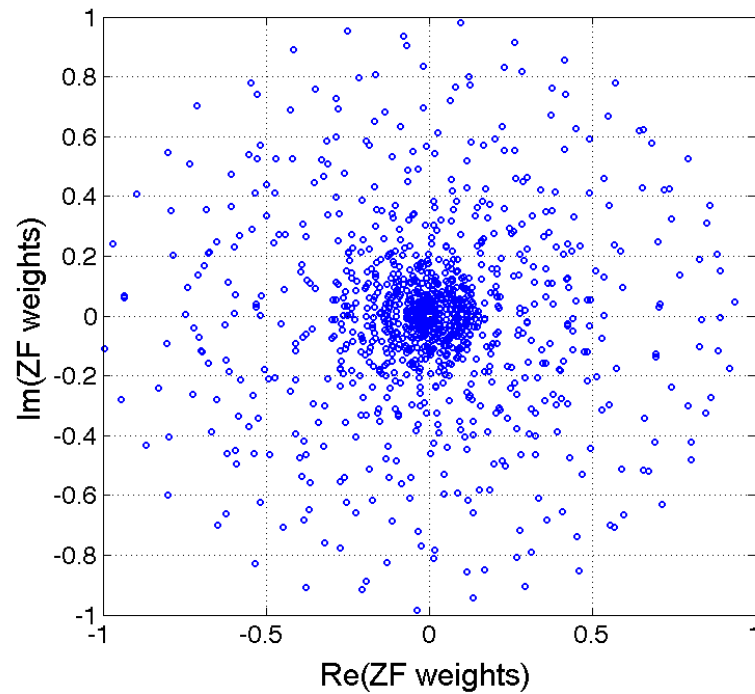
Steer towards  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_0$

Nulls along  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_1, \boldsymbol{\omega}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{\omega}_Q$

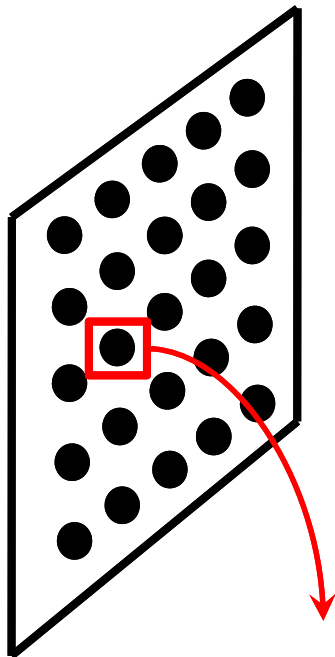


# Step 2: Naïve quantization

Quantize each phase to nearest among  $\{\pm 1, \pm j\}$



# Step 3: Sequential Optimization



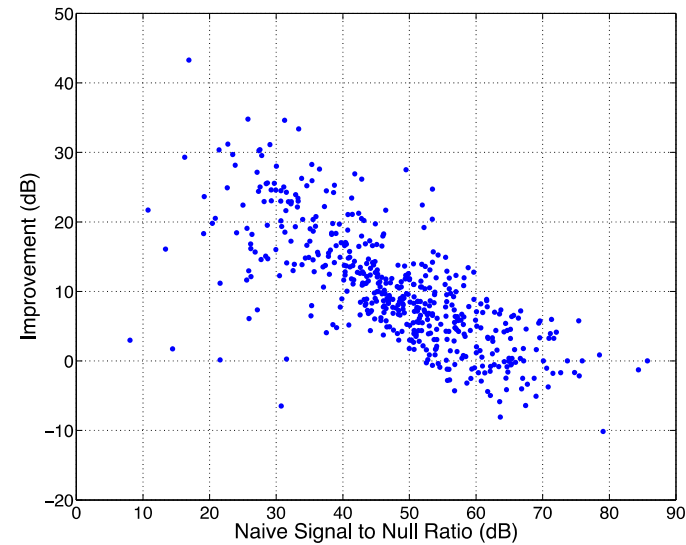
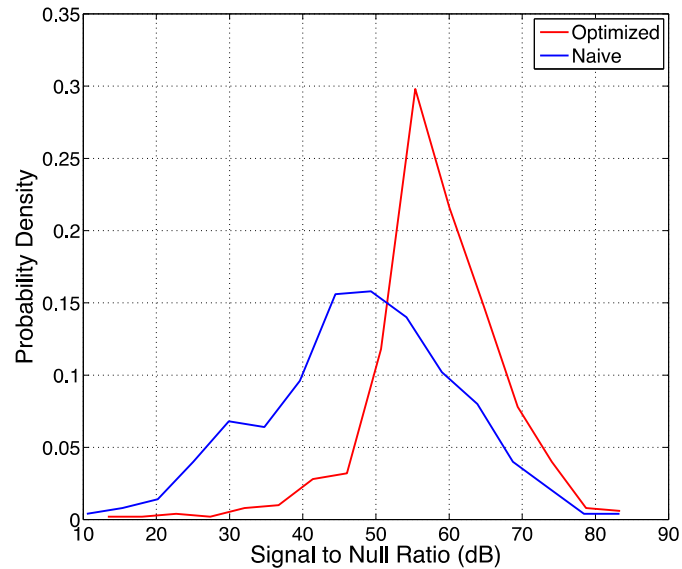
**Element  $k$**

- For each  $k$ 
  - Fix phases at all elements but  $k$
  - Change phases at  $k$  to  $1, j, -1, -j$
  - S-to-Null Ratios are  $s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3$
  - Pick maximum and set phase at  $k$  appropriately

$$s = \frac{|a(\omega_0)^H \psi|^2}{\sum_{i=1}^Q |a(\omega_i)^H \psi|^2}$$

**Use integrals over small bands  
for robustness to estimation error**

# Signal-to-Null Ratio



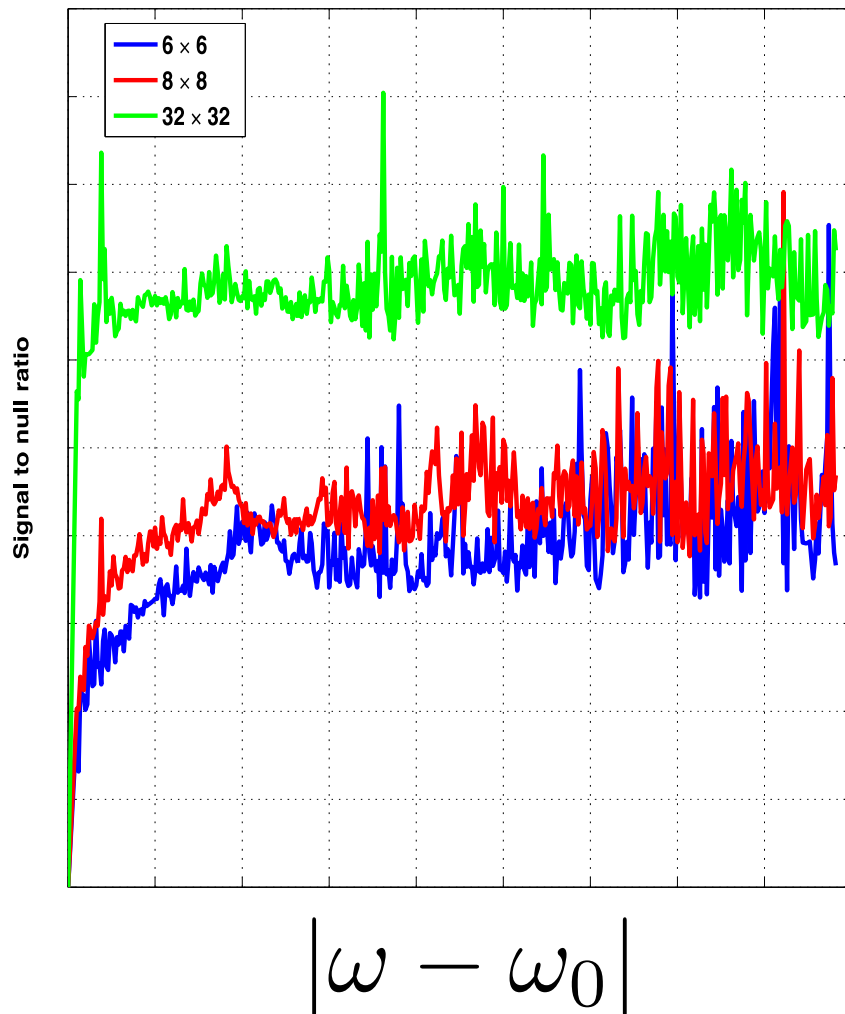
**Mean Signal-to-Null ratio: 58 dB**

**Mean Improvement over naïve: 10 dB**

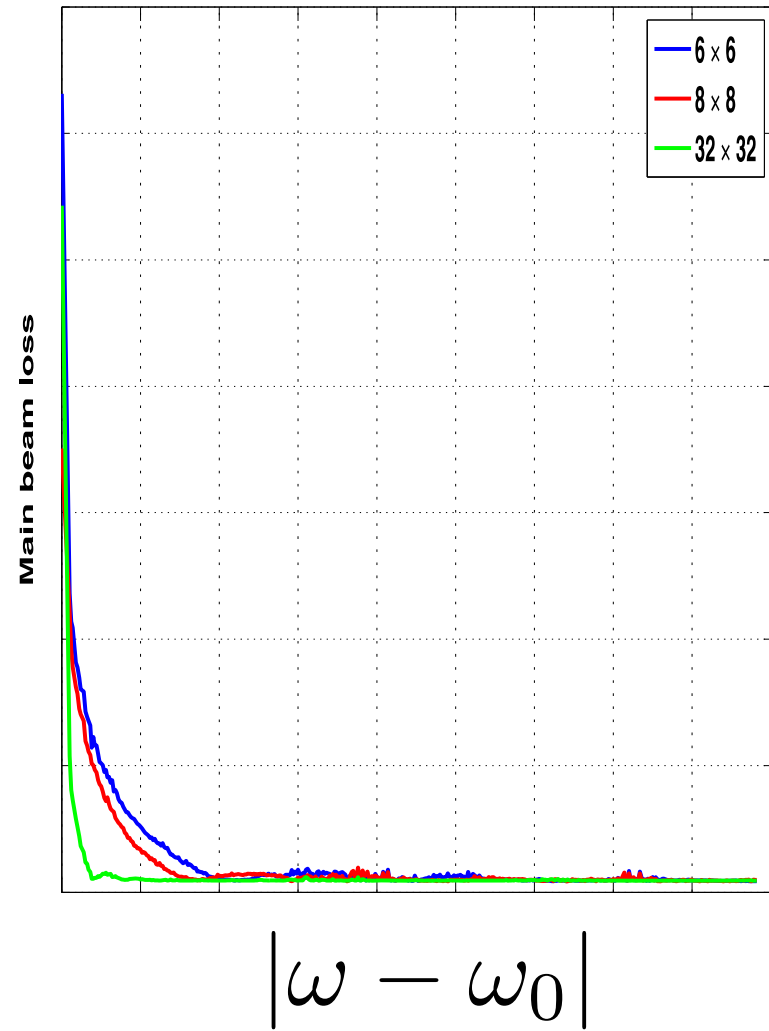
**Big improvements (~30 dB) when it really counts!**

# Simulation results

## Signal to null ratio



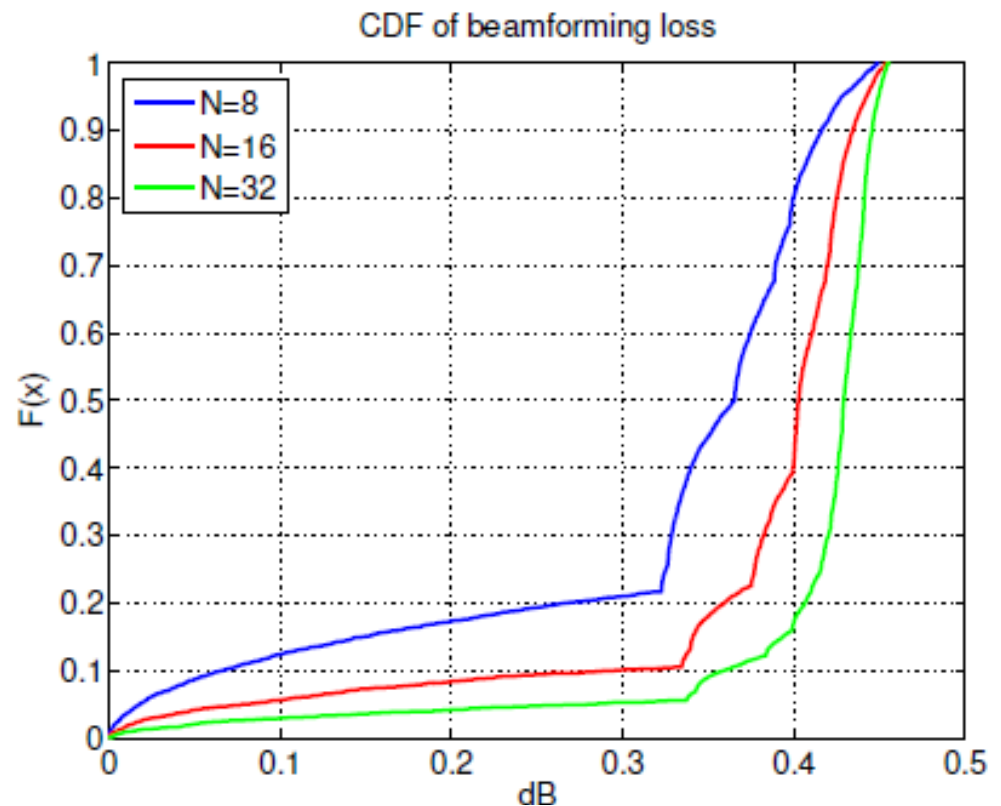
## Main beam loss



# Beamforming loss (No nullforming)

- What if we only beamform toward desired direction?
  - Only need to change the cost function for sequential optimization

**N:** size of linear antenna



# Take-aways

- Can perform both beamforming and nullforming effectively with coarsely quantized weights
- Empirical observation: Loss relative to unquantized weights decreases as number of antennas increases
- Theorems?

# References

Sequential algorithm for quantized beamforming first discussed in:  
Ramasamy, Venkateswaran, Madhow, Compressive adaptation of  
large steerable arrays, ITA 2012.

Since then used in other publications, but theory still missing.

# Short-range mm wave radar

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Summer school, IISc, Bangalore, June 27-July 1, 2016



# References

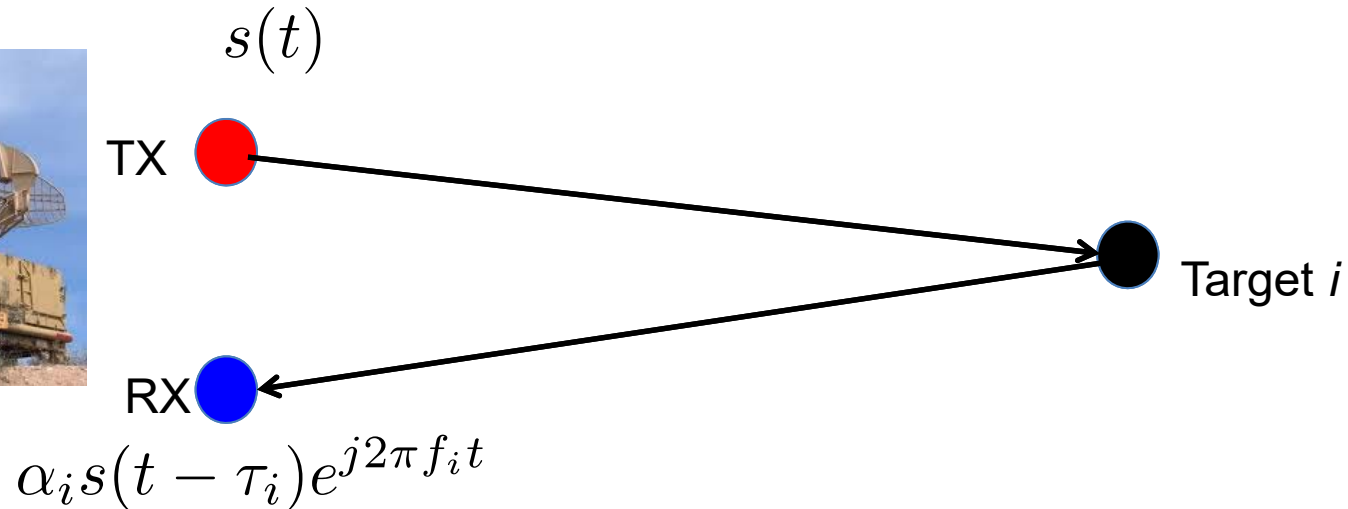
Builds on an invited presentation at ITA 2016.

IMS 2016 paper:

B. Mamandipoor, M. Fallahpour, G. Malysa, K. Noujeim, U. Madhow and A. Arbabian, "Spatial-Domain Technique to Overcome Grating Lobes in Sparse Monostatic mm-Wave Imaging Systems", MTT-S International Microwave Symposium (IMS), San Francisco, CA, May 2016.

Journal paper in preparation.

# Classical long-range radar



**Signal received from multiple targets**

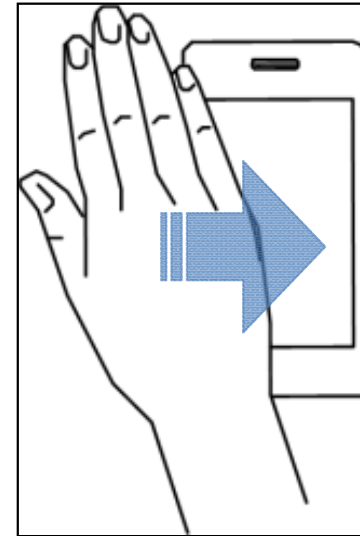
$$y(t) = \sum_{i=1}^K \alpha_i s(t - \tau_i) e^{j2\pi f_i t} + n(t)$$

**Typical approach (e.g., SAR): matched filter against expected response  
(**point scatterer** target model)**

# Emerging short-range radar applications



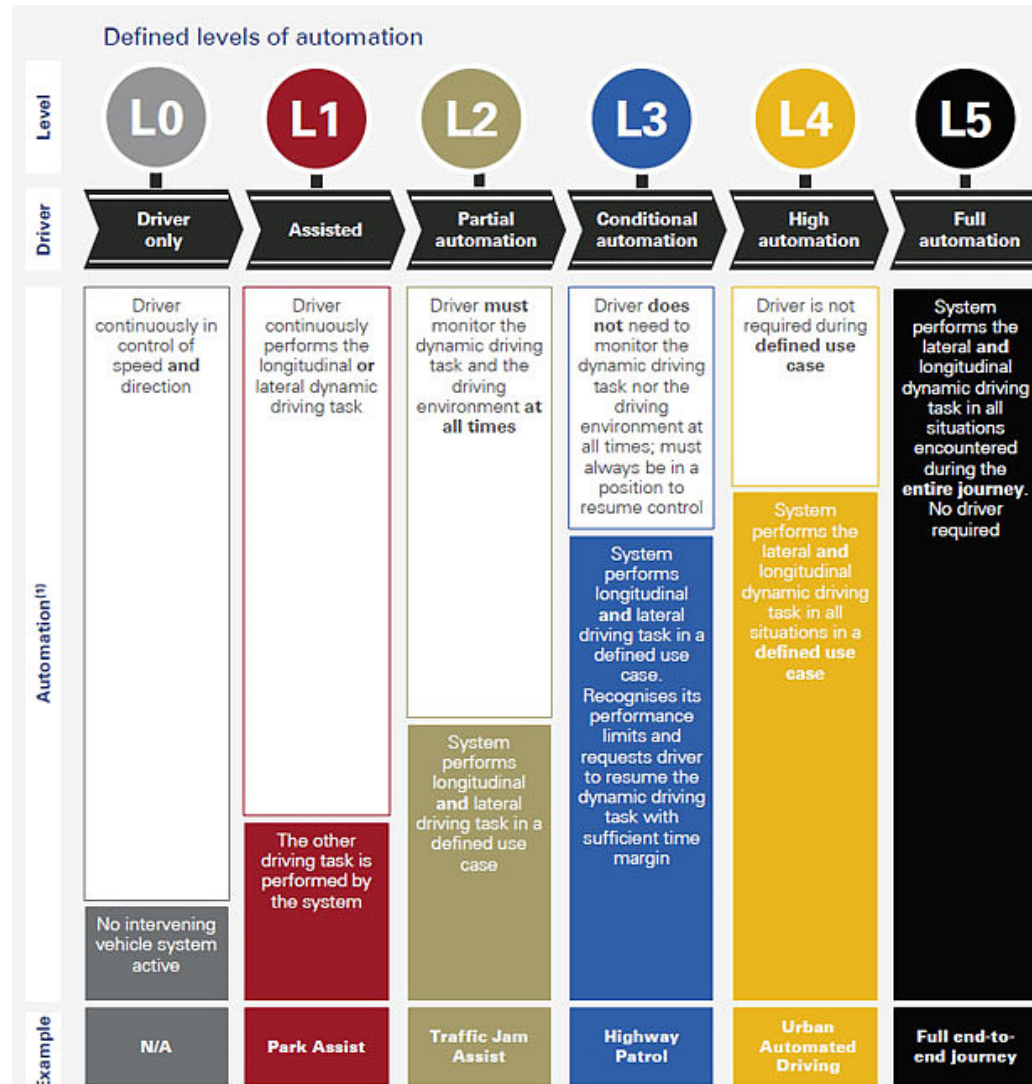
Vehicular situational awareness



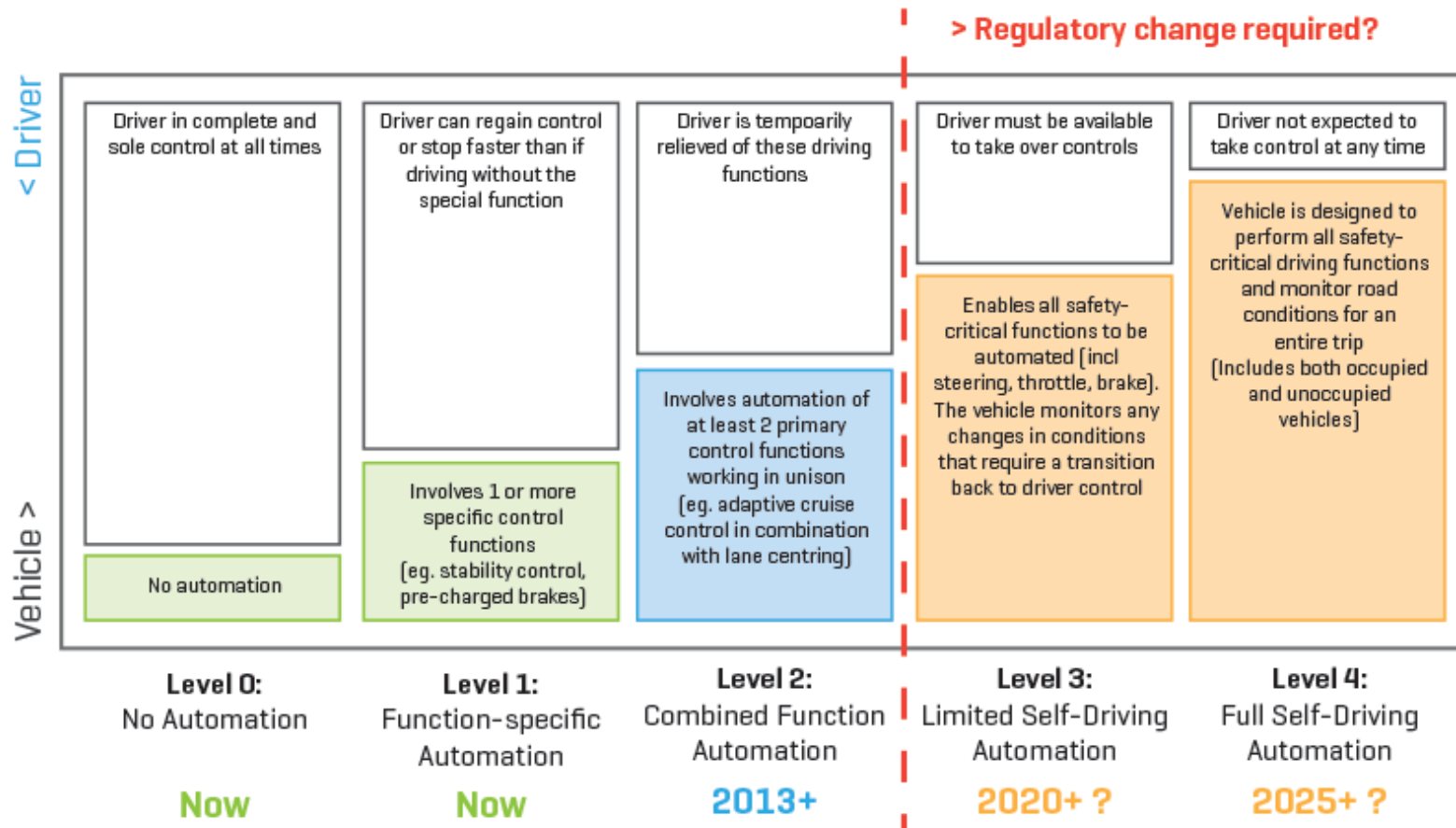
Gesture recognition

**Designs constrained by cost, complexity and geometry**

# NHSTA policy for vehicle Automation

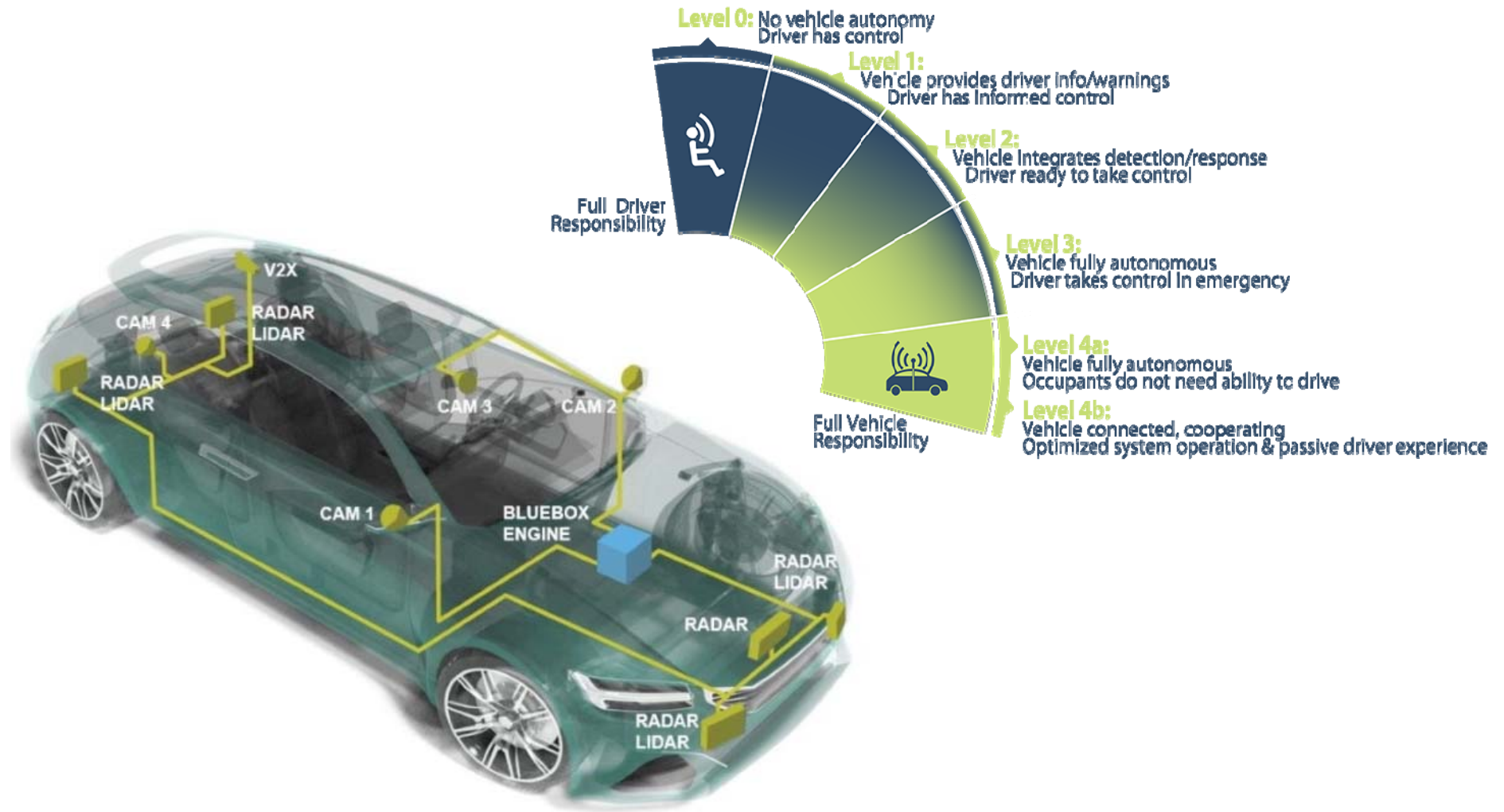


# Levels of driving automation (NHTSA)



Source: NHTSA (Modified)

# NXP Blue box for “Level 4” autonomous vehicles

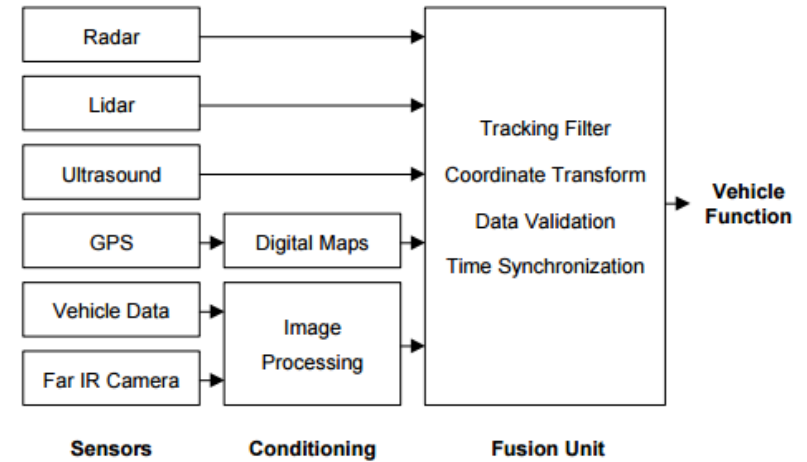


# Sensing modalities comparison

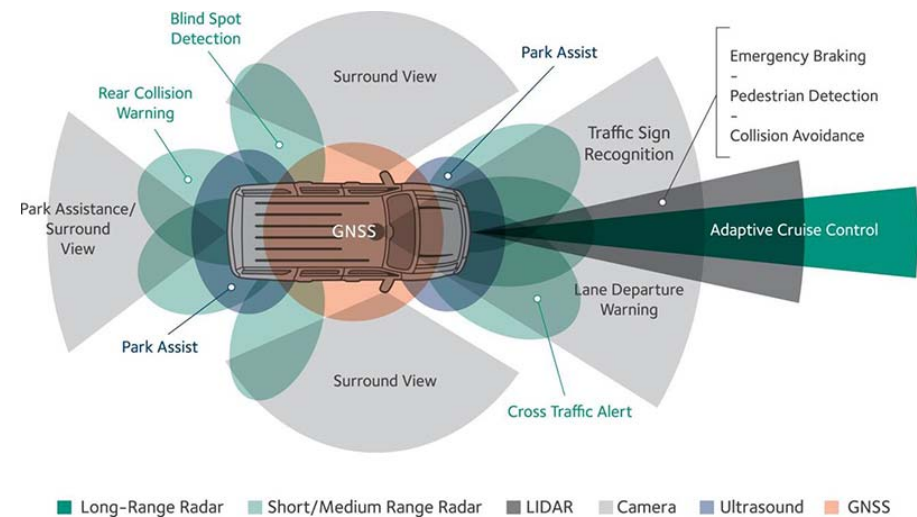
**Table 1.** Typical strengths and weaknesses of automotive sensors available today.

|                             | Short Range Radar | Long Range Radar | Lidar | Ultrasound | Video Camera | 3D-Camera | Far IR Camera |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------|------------|--------------|-----------|---------------|
| Range Measurement < 2m      | o                 | o                | o     | ++         | -            | ++        | -             |
| Range Measurement 2..30m    | +                 | ++               | ++    | -          | -            | o         | -             |
| Range Measurement 30..150m  | n.a.              | ++               | +     | --         | -            | -         | -             |
| Angle Measurement < 10 deg  | +                 | +                | ++    | -          | ++           | +         | ++            |
| Angle Measurement > 30 deg  | o                 | -                | ++    | o          | ++           | +         | ++            |
| Angular Resolution          | o                 | o                | ++    | -          | ++           | +         | ++            |
| Direct Velocity Information | ++                | ++               | --    | o          | --           | --        | --            |
| Operation in Rain           | ++                | +                | o     | o          | o            | o         | o             |
| Operation in Fog or Snow    | ++                | ++               | -     | +          | -            | -         | o             |
| Operation if Dirt on Sensor | ++                | ++               | o     | ++         | --           | --        | --            |
| Night vision                | n.a.              | n.a.             | n.a.  | n.a.       | -            | o         | ++            |

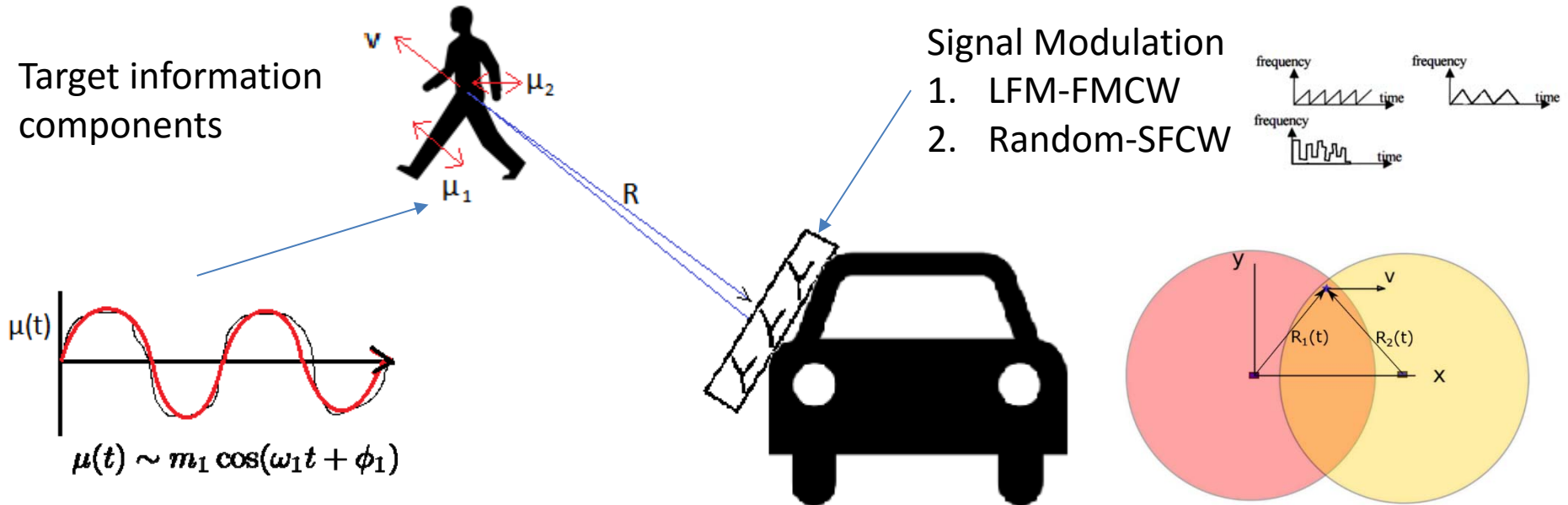
++ : Ideally suited / + : Good performance / o : Possible, but drawbacks to be expected;  
 - : Only possible with large additional effort / -- : Impossible / n.a. : Not applicable



**Fig. 7.** Typical automotive sensor data fusion architecture.



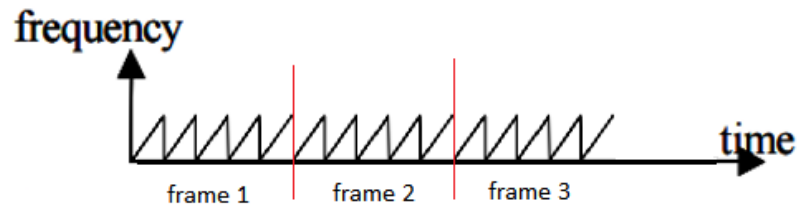
# Short to medium range radar



- Time varying range given by:

$$R(t) = R_0 + v_r t + \mu(t)$$

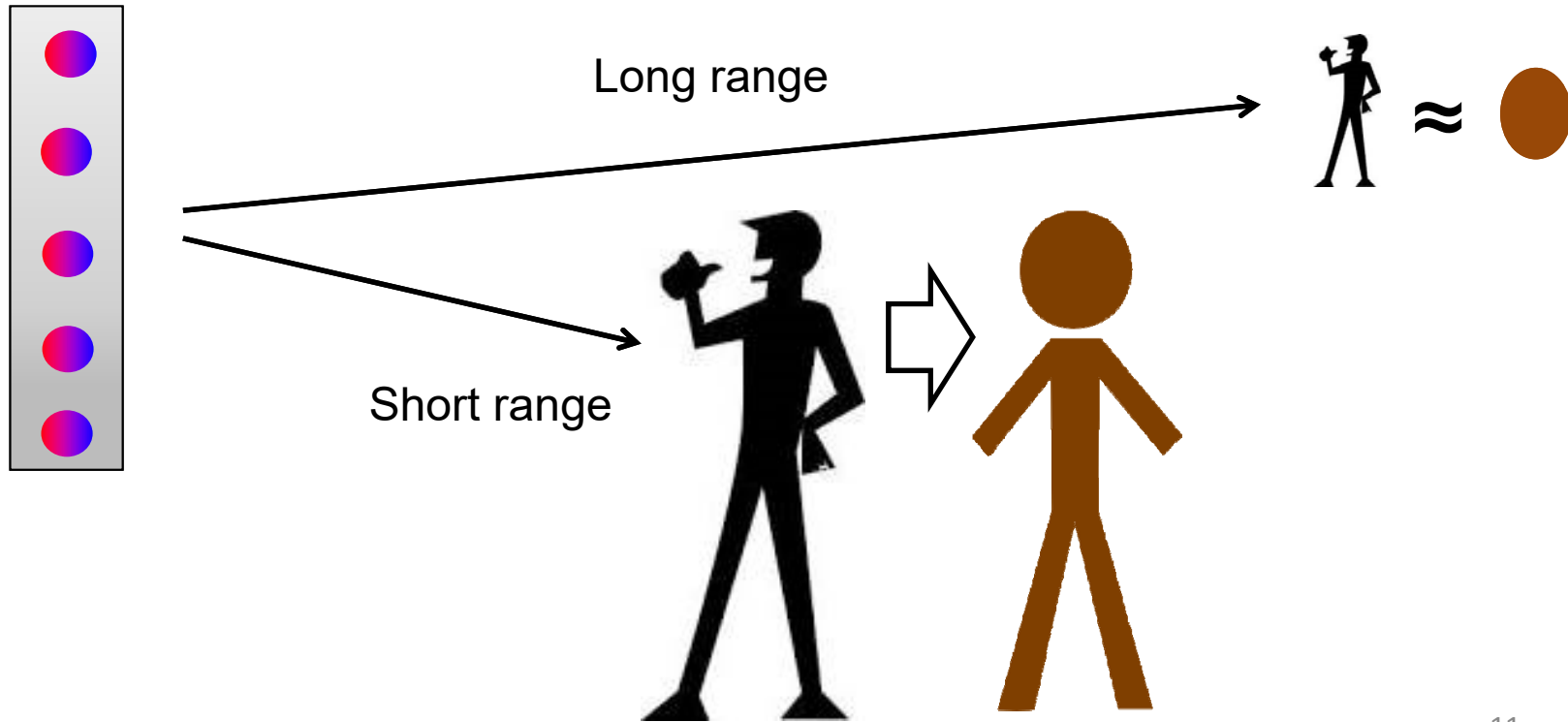
$R_0, v_r, \mu$  remain constant in frame





New models are needed at short ranges

# Targets look bigger at short range



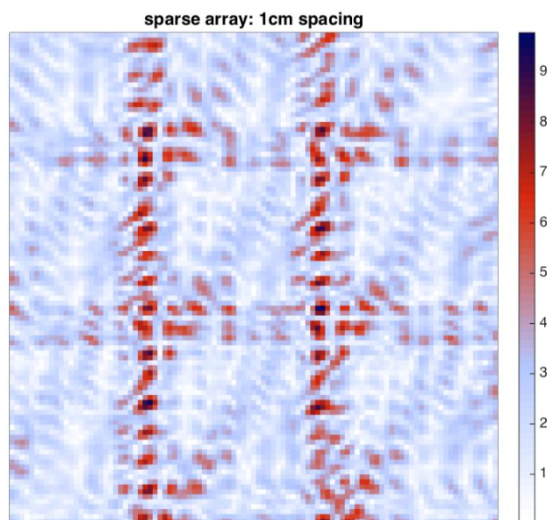
**Need to revisit classical models**

# Results from new model

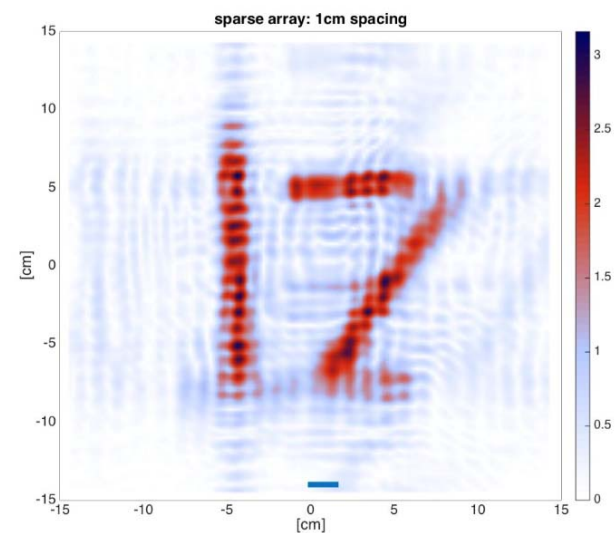


Target

Standard approach



New approach



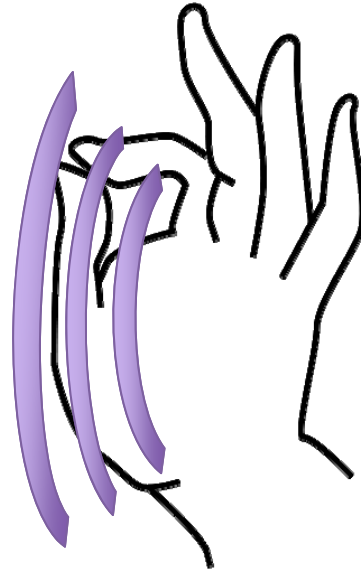
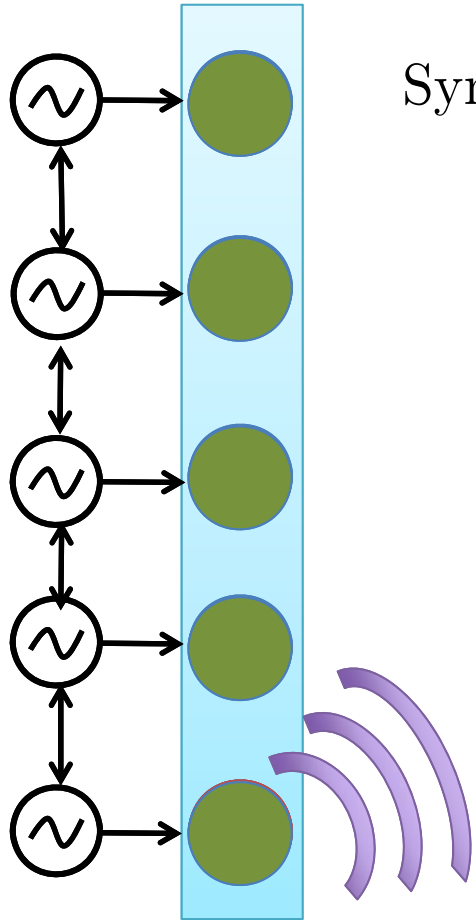
# Overview

- Big picture considerations
  - Target models
  - Monostatic versus multistatic
- Fundamentals of monostatic arrays
  - Degrees of freedom as a function of scene and array geometry
  - Sparse array → grating lobes
- Changing the dictionary to suppress grating lobes
  - From classical point scatterers to patches
  - The role of estimation-theoretic bounds in dictionary design
- Sparse reconstruction
  - Super-resolution by combining Newton with greedy pursuit

# Architectural choice

# Multistatic

Synchronization → hard to achieve at mm-wave



# Rhode & Schwarz Imager: Big and multistatic

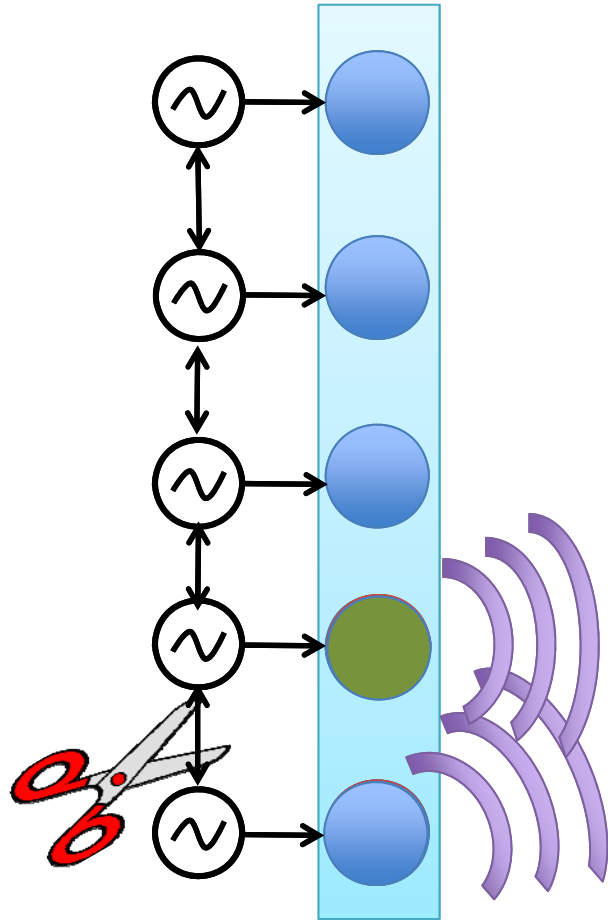


- MM-Wave imager from Rhode & Schwarz
- 736 Tx/Rx elements in 0.5mx0.5m aperture
- All elements are synchronized across the array

S. A. Ahmed, A. Schiessl, and L. Schmidt, "A Novel Fully Electronic Active Real-Time Imager Based on a Planar Multistatic Sparse Array" IEEE Transactions on microwave theory and techniques, vol. 59, NO. 12, December 2011.

# Monostatic

- ✓ No synchronization needed
- ✓ Modularity
- ✓ Parallel data acquisition
- ✓ Low cost



**Focus today: Array of monostatic elements**



# Degrees of freedom

# Mathematical formulation

$L_1 =$  size of the aperture

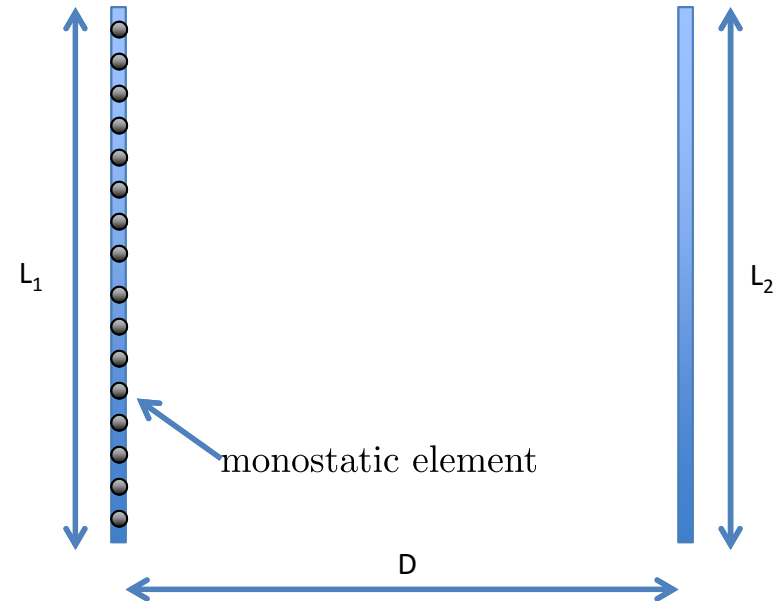
$L_2 =$  extent of the imaged object

$D =$  distance of the object from the array

$d =$  inter-element spacing

$\lambda =$  wavelength

$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} =$  wavenumber



response of mono static array at  $n^{th}$  element

$$r[n] = \int_{x \in \Psi} \gamma(x) e^{-j2kR(x, x_n)} dx$$

$$R(x, x_n) = \sqrt{D^2 + (x - x_n)^2} \approx D + \frac{(x - x_n)^2}{2D}$$

$$r[n] = e^{-j2kD} \int_{x \in \Psi} \gamma(x) e^{-j\frac{k}{D}(x - x_n)^2} dx$$

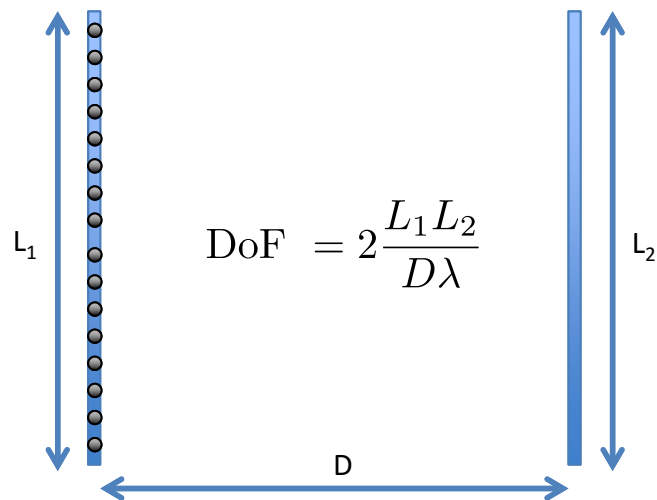
# DoF: fundamental limits

$$r[n] = e^{-j2kD} \int_{x \in \Psi} \underbrace{\gamma(x) e^{-j \frac{k}{D} (x-x_n)^2}}_{\text{Integral kernel has been studied before}} dx$$

Integral kernel has been studied before

Eigenfunctions: Prolate Spheroidal Wave Functions

Eigenvalues: remains approximately constant until we reach a critical value (DoF)



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} L_1 = L_2 = 15 \text{ cm} \\ D = 30 \text{ cm} \\ \lambda = 0.5 \text{ cm} \end{array} \right\} \text{DoF} = 30$$

E. Torkildson, U. Madhow, M. Rodwell, "Indoor Millimeter Wave MIMO: Feasibility and Performance," IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications, vol. 10, no. 12, pp. 4150-4160, December 2011.

# DoF: a practical interpretation

$r_1 \in \mathbb{C}^N$  : response to a point scatterer located @ $x_1$

$r_2 \in \mathbb{C}^N$  : response to a point scatterer located @ $x_2$

$$\begin{aligned} r_1^H r_2 &= \sum_n \gamma_1^* \gamma_2 e^{j \frac{k}{D} (x_1 - x_n)^2} e^{-j \frac{k}{D} (x_2 - x_n)^2} \\ &= \gamma_1^* \gamma_2 \exp\left(j \frac{k}{D} (x_1^2 - x_2^2)\right) \sum_n \exp\left(j 2 \frac{k}{D} (x_2 - x_1) x_n\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= C \sum_n \exp(j\omega n) = C \underbrace{\frac{\sin(N\omega/2)}{\sin(\omega/2)}}_{\text{periodic Dirichlet kernel}}$$

periodic Dirichlet kernel  
period =  $2\pi$

$$\omega \triangleq \frac{2k}{D} (x_2 - x_1) d$$

To avoid aliasing: visible range of  $\omega < 2\pi$

$$\frac{2k}{D} L_2 d < 2\pi \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{2}{\lambda D} L_2 d < 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{2}{\lambda D} L_2 L_1 < (N - 1) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{2}{\lambda D} L_2 L_1 + 1 < N$$

#array elements  $\geq$  DoF + 1

# DoF $\rightarrow$ geometry-based limit on resolution

$$\text{For } N \gg \frac{2L_1L_2}{D\lambda},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|r_1^H r_2|}{\|r_1\| \cdot \|r_2\|} &= \frac{1}{N} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{kL_1N}{D(N-1)}(x_2 - x_1)\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{kL_1}{D(N-1)}(x_2 - x_1)\right)} \\ &\approx \frac{1}{N} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{kL_1}{D}(x_2 - x_1)\right)}{\frac{kL_1}{D(N-1)}(x_2 - x_1)} \\ &\approx \text{sinc}\left(\frac{kL_1}{\pi D}(x_2 - x_1)\right) \longrightarrow \text{Independent of } N \end{aligned}$$

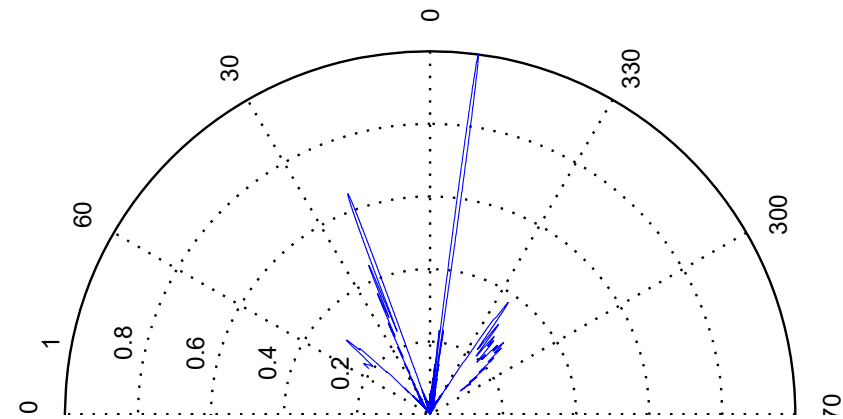
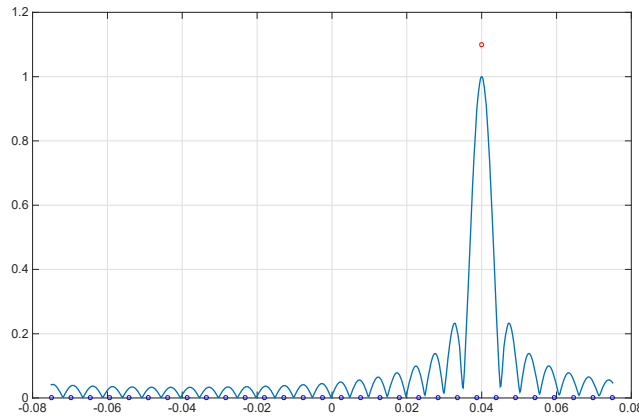
Increasing the number of array elements beyond DoF:

- Does not improve the ambiguity function for locating a point scatterer
- Only leads to an increase in the effective signal to noise ratio (SNR)

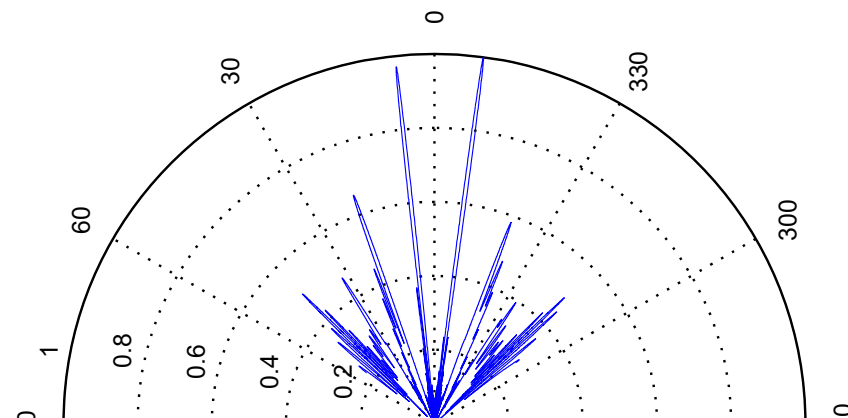
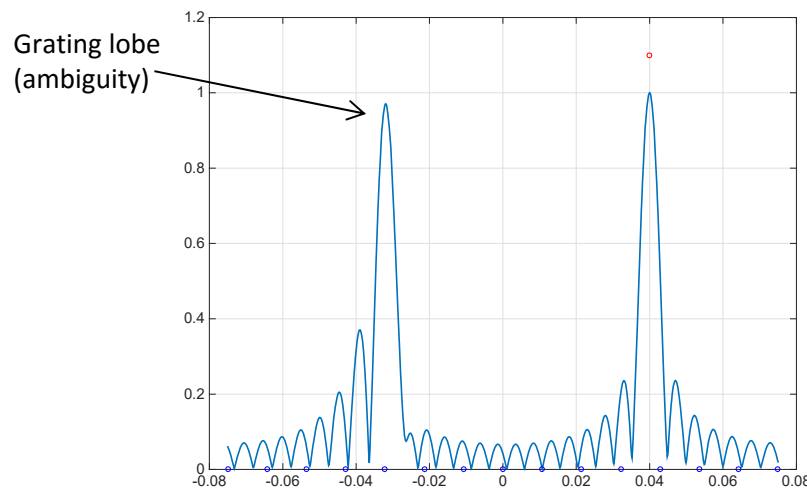
Going below DoF → Grating lobes

# Grating lobes appear when $\#elts < DoF$

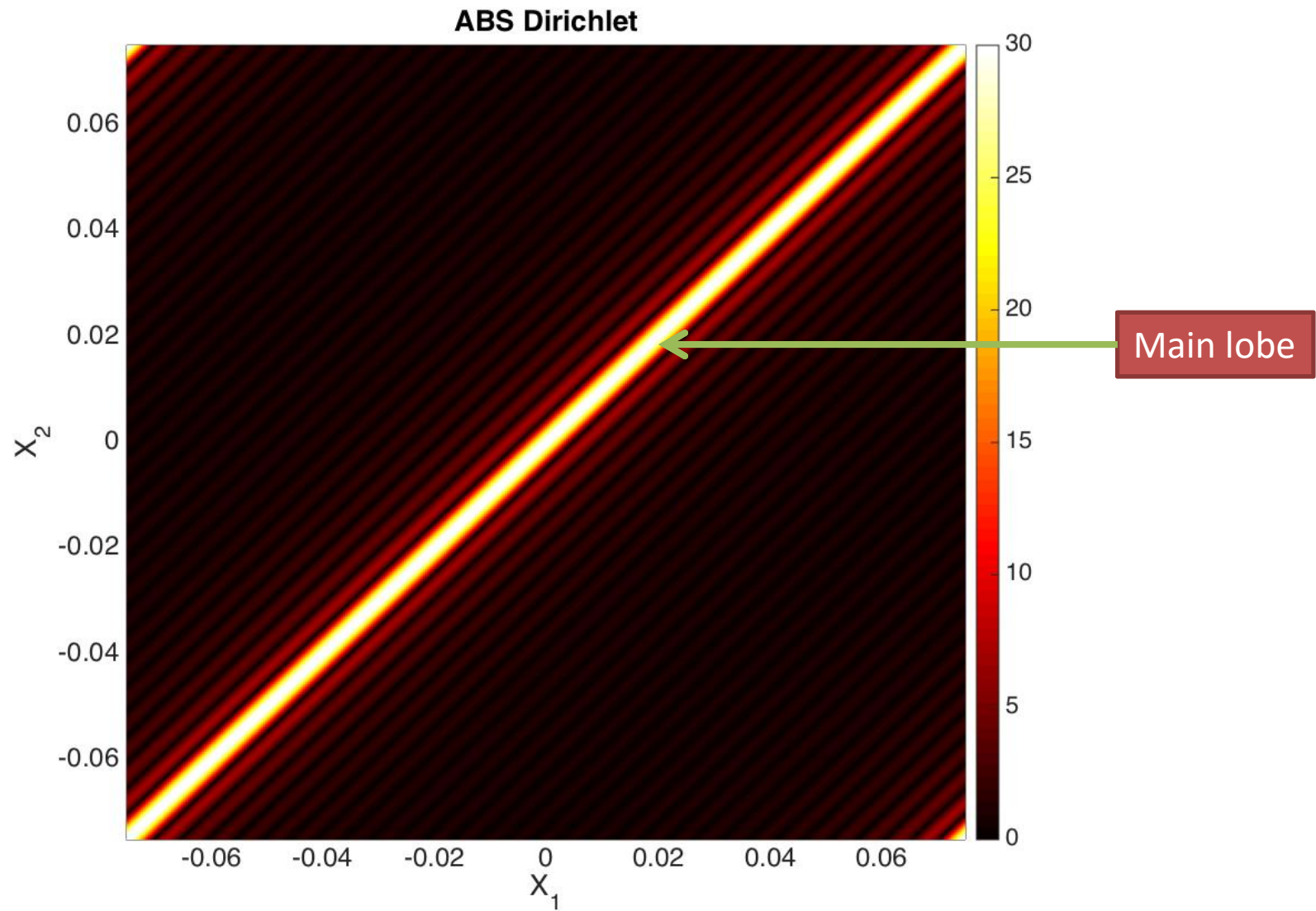
30 elements



15 elements

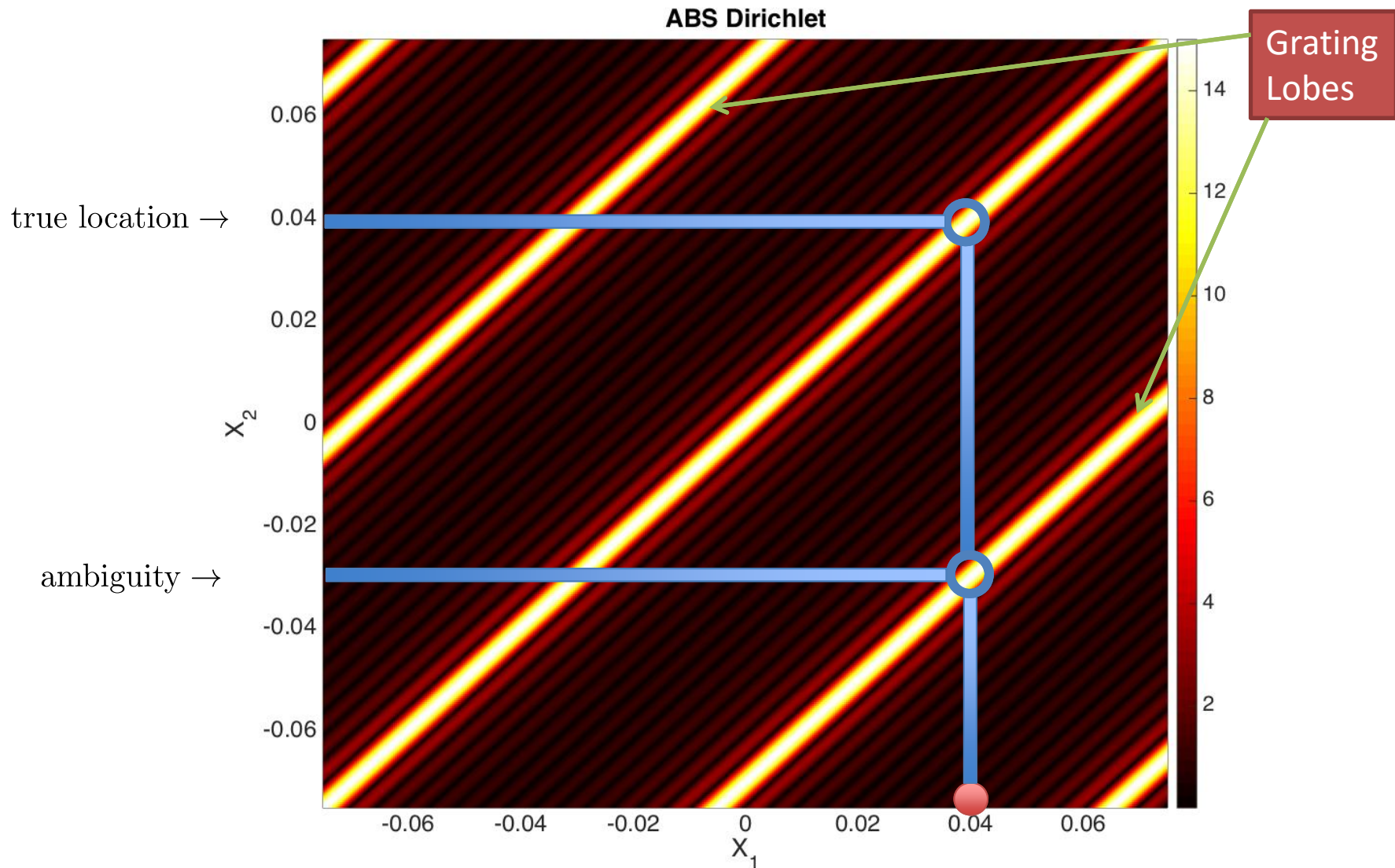


# 2D Dirichlet – N=31





# 2D Dirichlet – N=15



Spatial aggregation, or the patch model

## Spatial Aggregation: mathematical formulation

$r_1 \in \mathbb{C}^N$  = response to the collection of point scatterers denoted by  $\Psi_1$

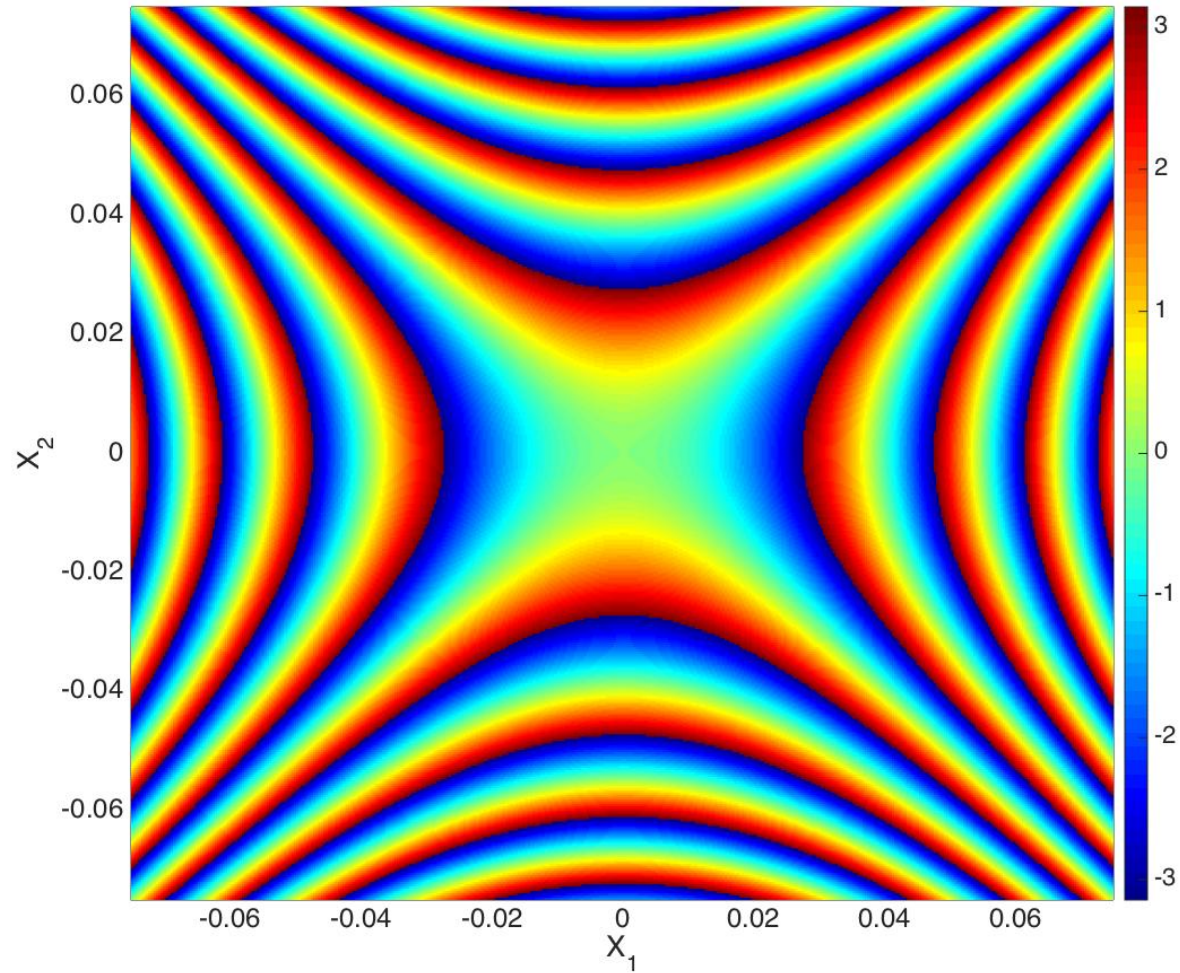
$r_2 \in \mathbb{C}^N$  = response to the collection of point scatterers denoted by  $\Psi_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_1^H r_2 &= \sum_n \left( \int_{x_1 \in \Psi_1} \gamma^*(x_1) e^{j2kR(x_1, x_n)} dx_1 \int_{x_2 \in \Psi_2} \gamma(x_2) e^{-j2kR(x_2, x_n)} dx_2 \right) \\
 &= \sum_n \left( \int_{x_1 \in \Psi_1} \int_{x_2 \in \Psi_2} \gamma^*(x_1) \gamma(x_2) e^{j2k \left( \frac{(x_1 - x_n)^2 - (x_2 - x_n)^2}{2D} \right)} dx_2 dx_1 \right) \\
 &= \int_{x_1 \in \Psi_1} \int_{x_2 \in \Psi_2} \gamma^*(x_1) \gamma(x_2) e^{j \frac{k}{D} (x_1^2 - x_2^2)} \underbrace{\sum_n e^{j \frac{2k}{D} (x_2 - x_1) x_n}}_{\text{Dirichlet}} dx_2 dx_1 \\
 &= \int_{x_1 \in \Psi_1} \int_{x_2 \in \Psi_2} \gamma^*(x_1) \gamma(x_2) \underbrace{e^{j \frac{k}{D} (x_1^2 - x_2^2)}}_{H(x_1, x_2)} \text{Dir}(x_1, x_2) dx_2 dx_1
 \end{aligned}$$

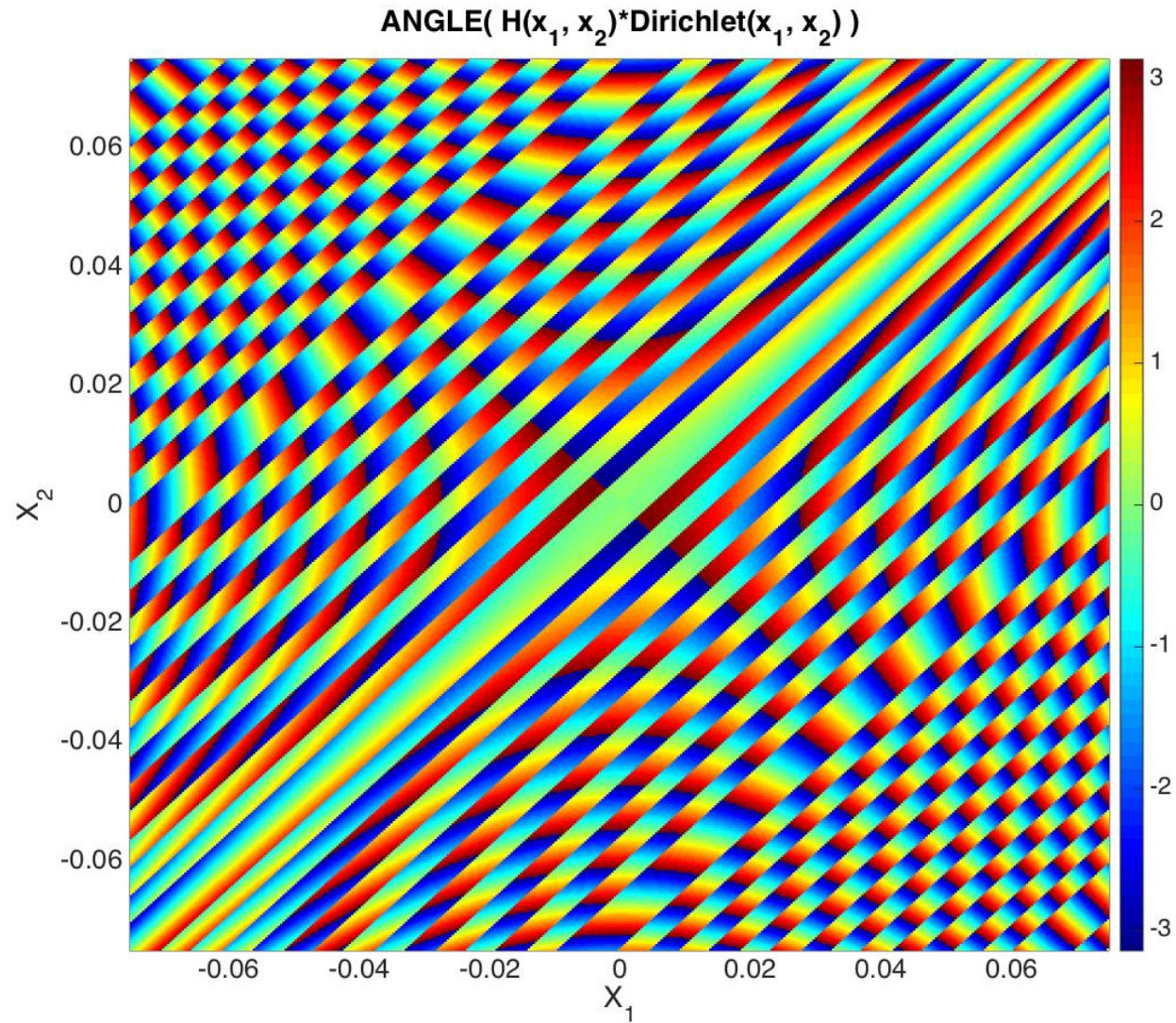
$H(x_1, x_2)$  = spatial filter that causes destructive summation of the collection response

$$H(x_1, x_2)$$

ANGLE  $H(x_1, x_2)$

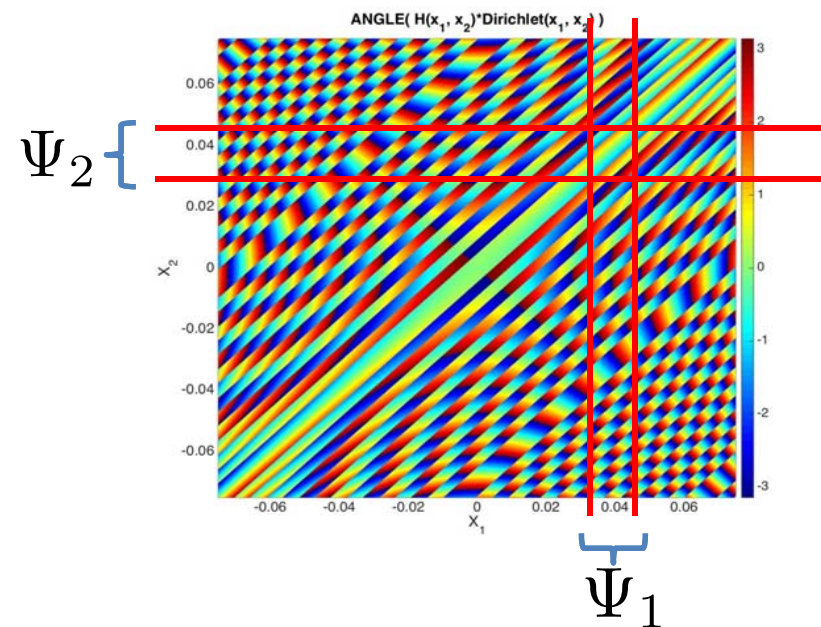
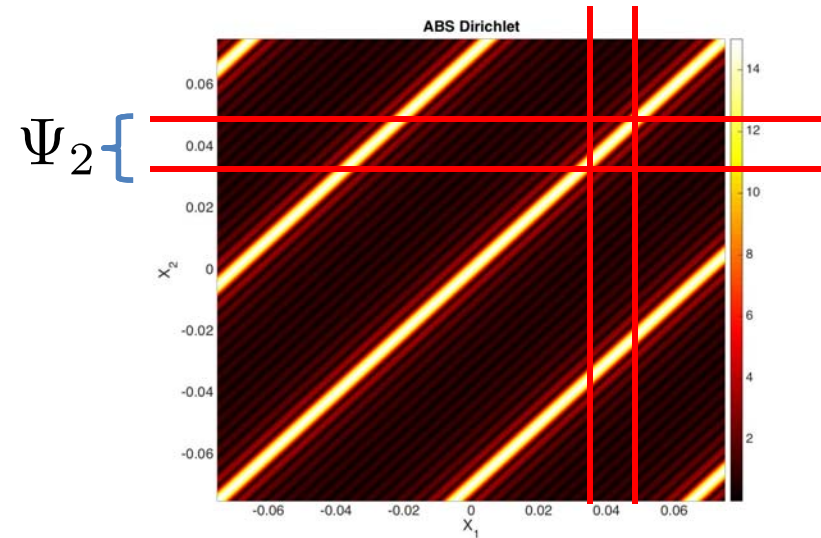
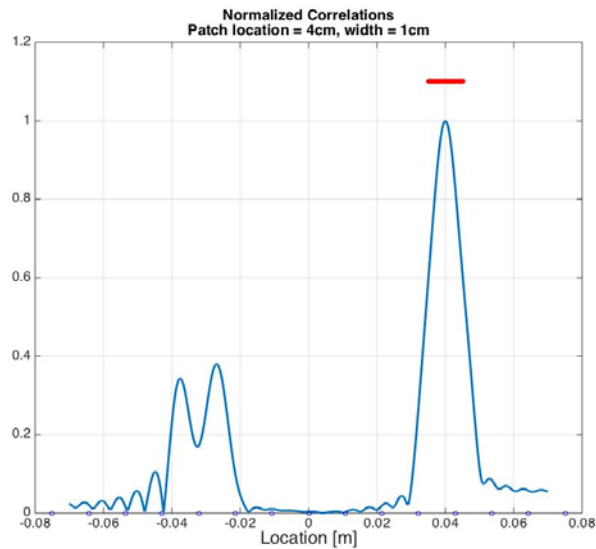


$$H(x_1, x_2) * \text{Dirichlet}(x_1, x_2)$$



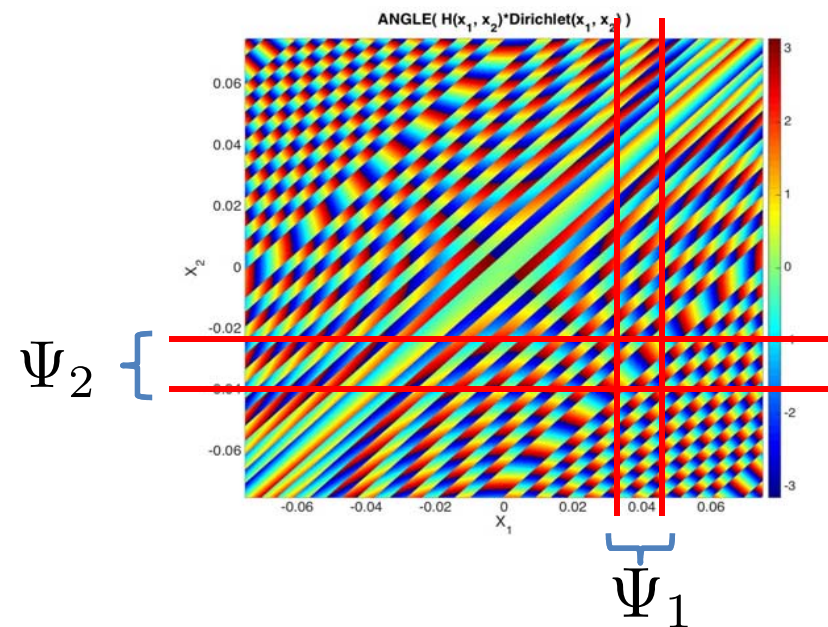
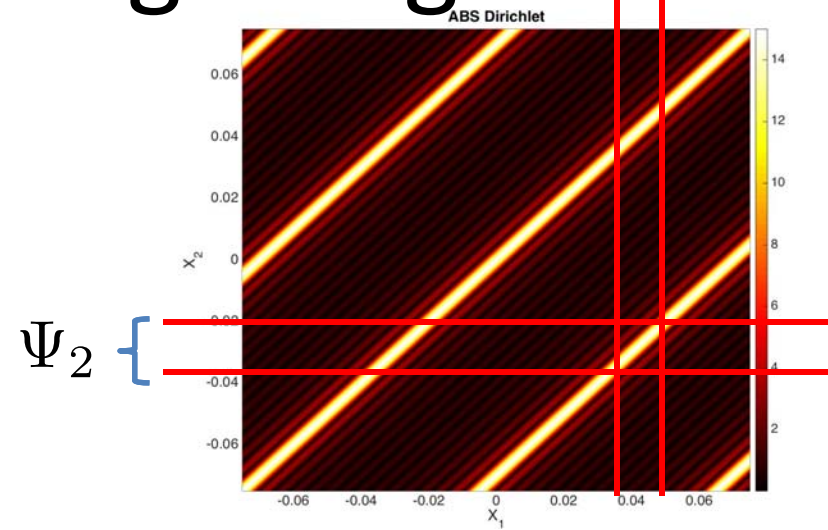
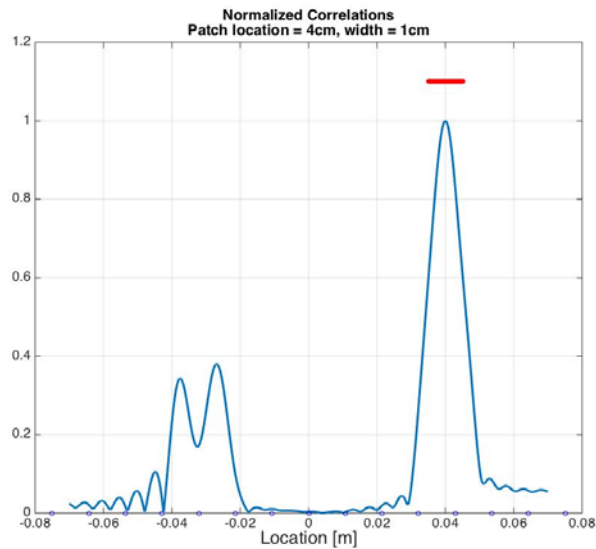
# Integration in the main lobe

Patch width = 1cm  
Patch location = 4cm  
# elements = 15



# Integration in the grating lobe

Patch width = 1cm  
Patch location = 4cm  
# elements = 15



# Choosing patch size via estimation theory

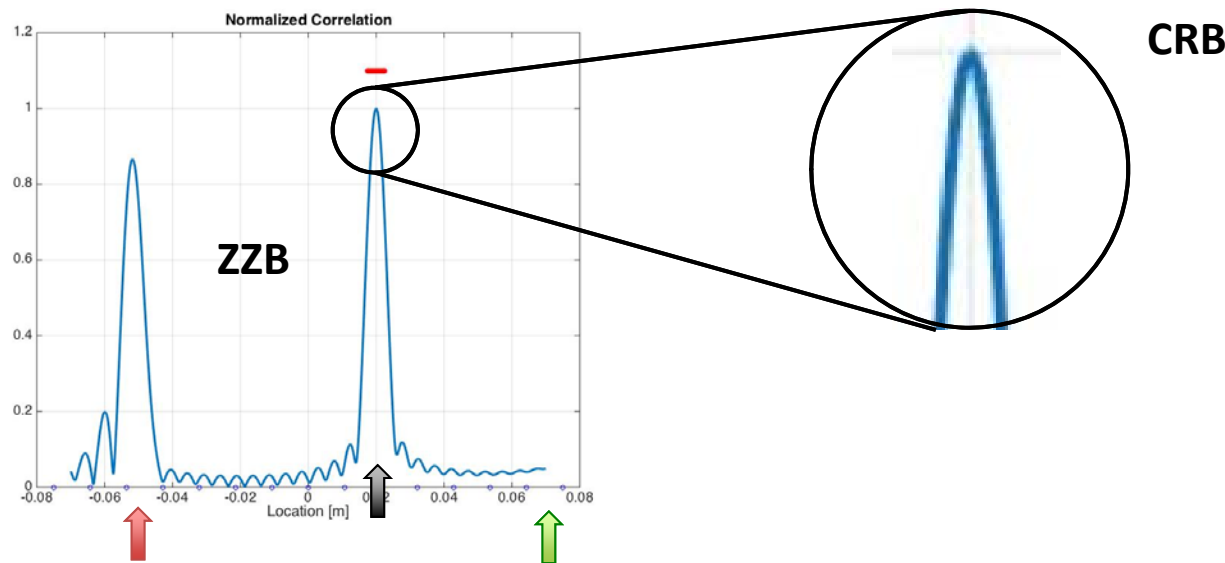
$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{s}(\theta) + \mathbf{z}$$

target parameter  $\theta$   $\mathbf{z} \sim CN(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} L_1 = L_2 = 15 \text{ cm} \\ D = 30 \text{ cm} \\ \lambda = 0.5 \text{ cm} \end{array} \right\} \text{DoF} = 30$$

**Cramer-Rao Bound (CRB):** Lower bound on variance assuming estimate is in the right bin

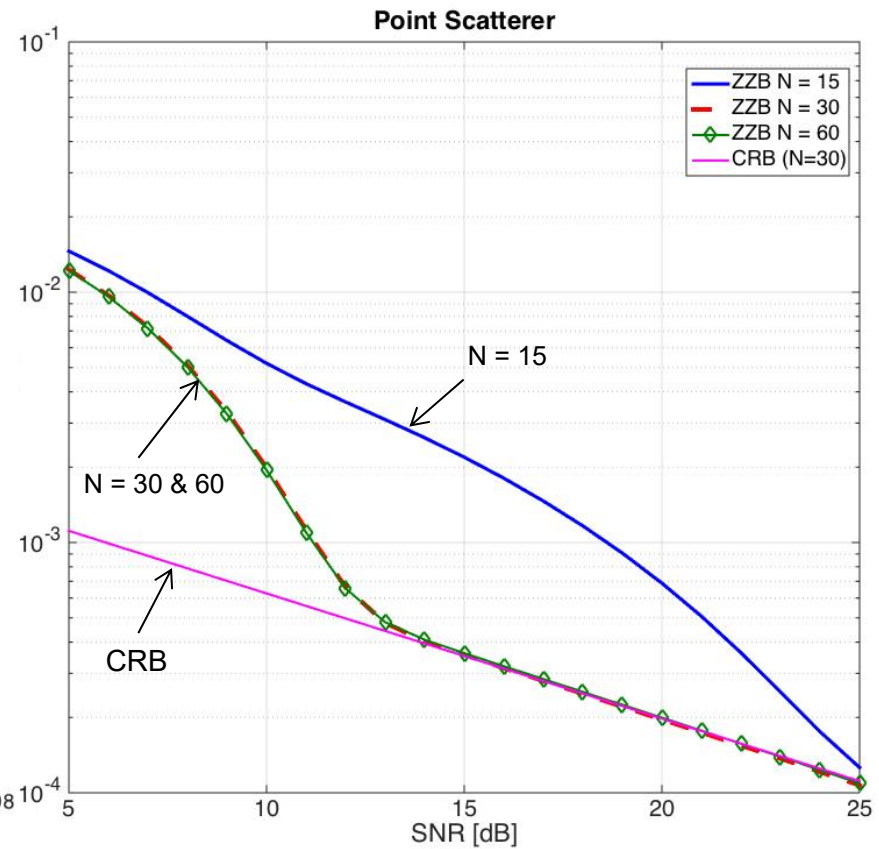
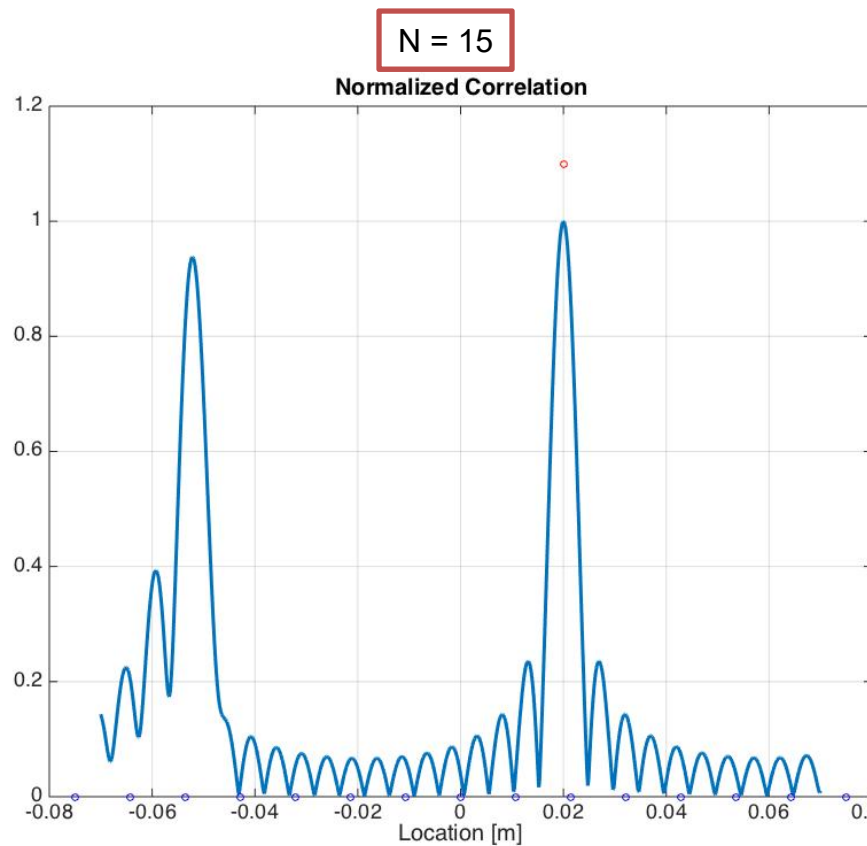
**Ziv-Zakai Bound (ZZB):** Tighter than CRB, accounts for estimate falling in wrong bin (converges to CRB at high SNR if correlation plot approximately unimodal)



Choose the smallest patch size such that ZZB “behaves well”

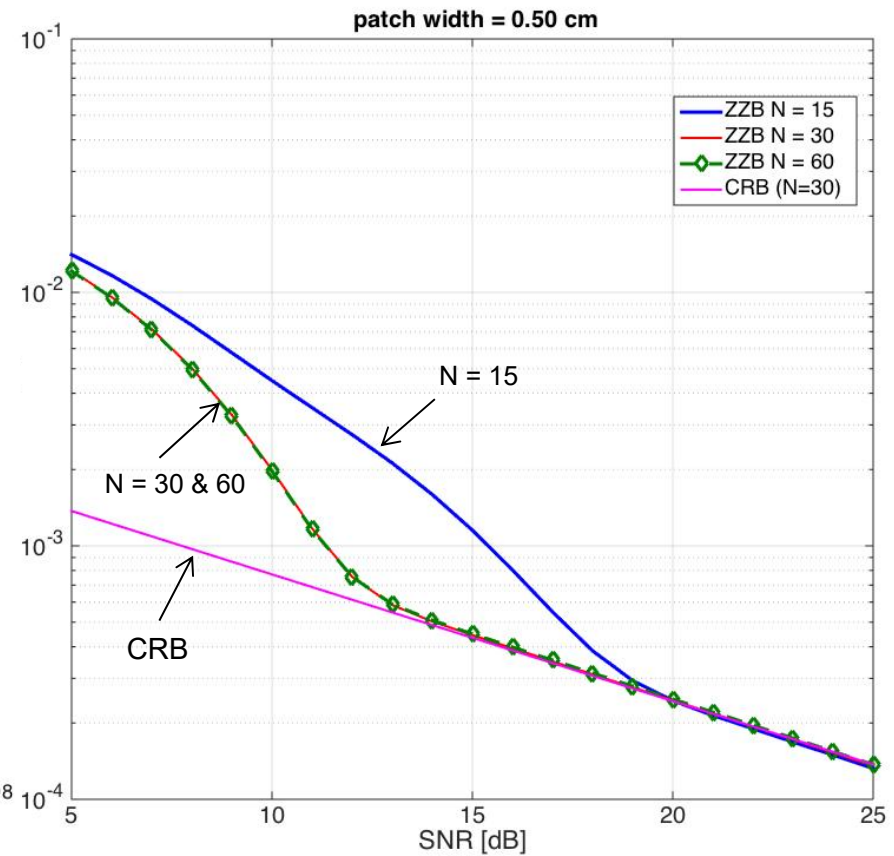
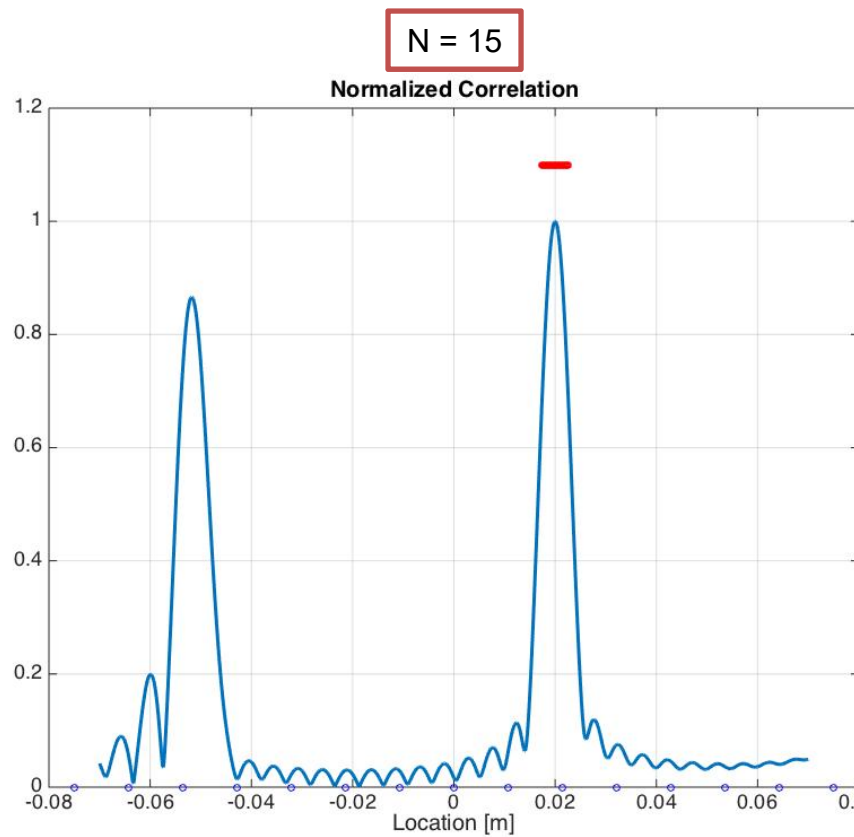


# Point Scatterer



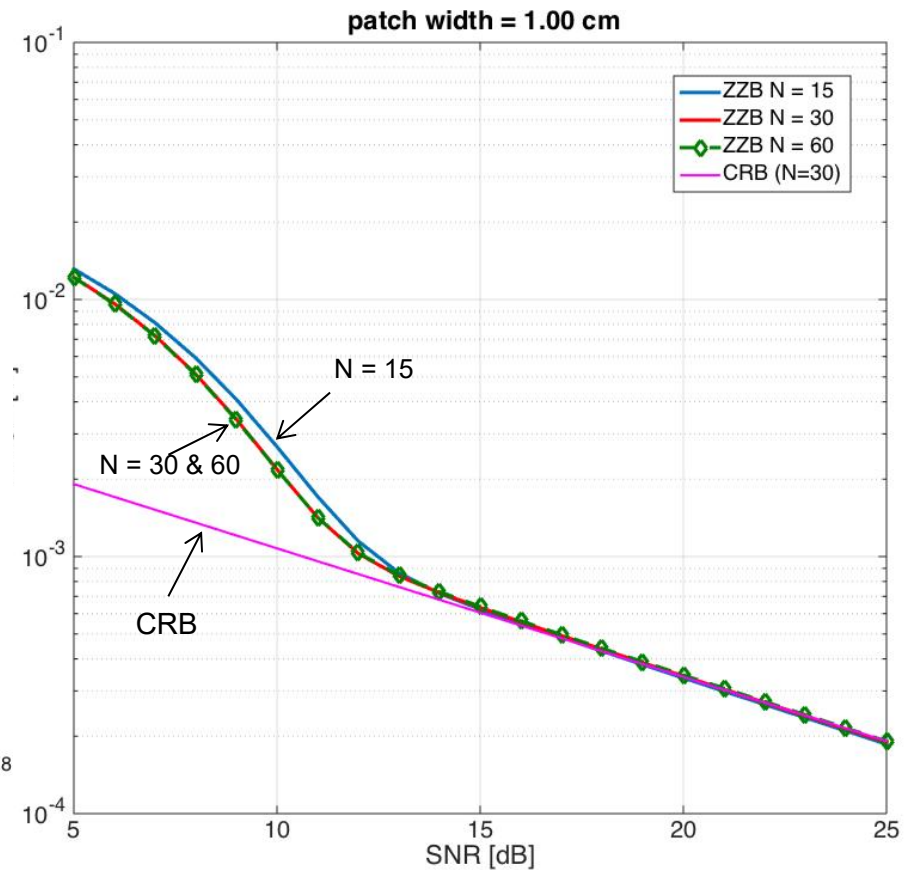
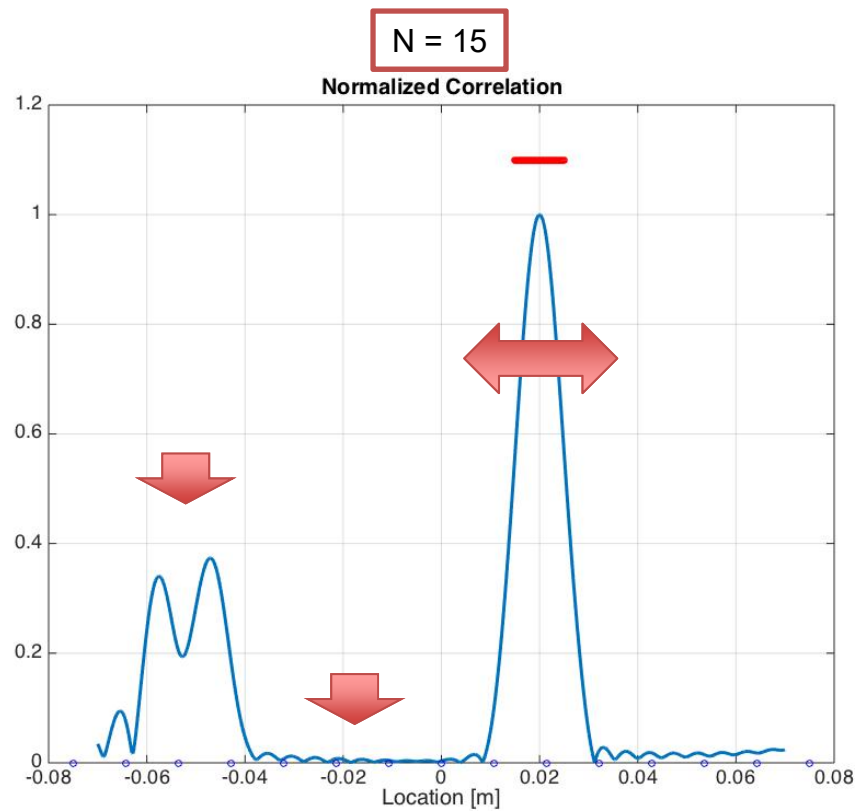
**Grating lobes  $\rightarrow$  ZB behaves badly**

# 0.5 cm Patch



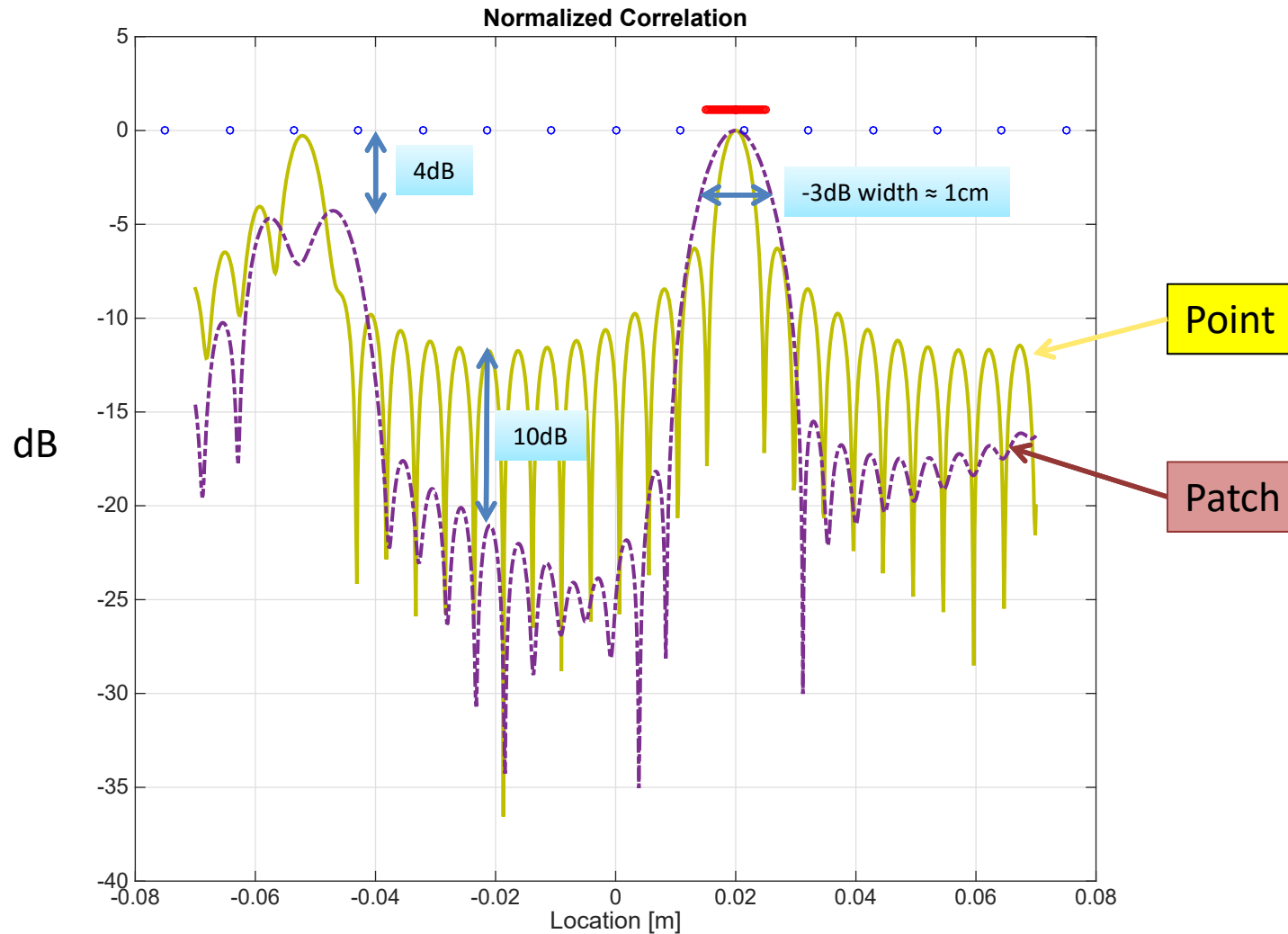
**Better, but ZZB still behaves worse than with DoF # elements**

# 1 cm Patch



Large enough patch  $\rightarrow$  ZZB behavior same as with DoF # elements

# Normalized Correlations

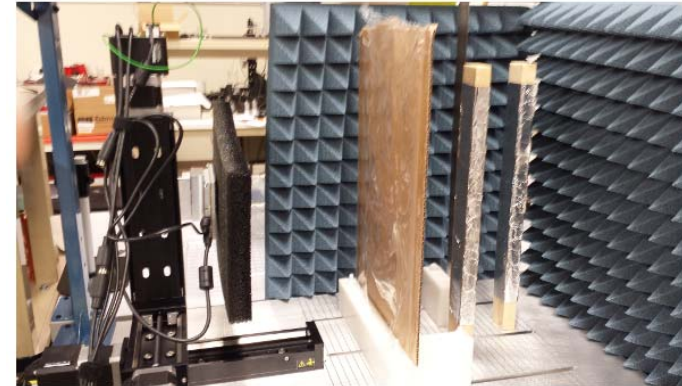
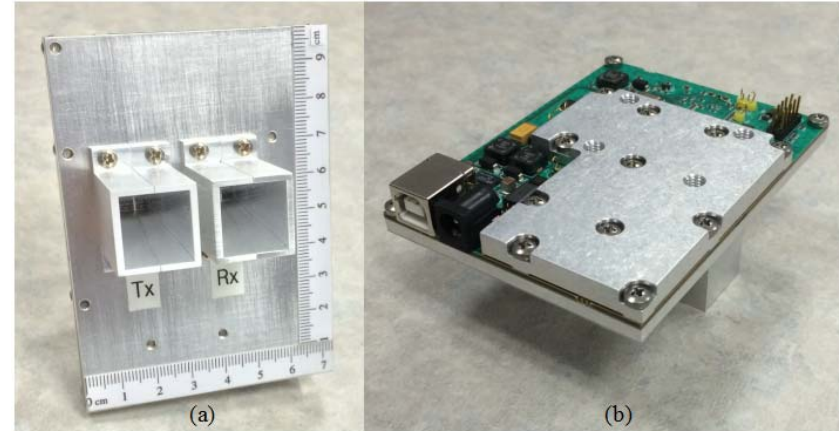


**Patch model suppresses both grating lobes and sidelobes**

# Experimental results

# SFCW Radar Prototype

- 60 GHz Wideband SFCW radar
- Quasi-monostatic architecture
- Moving platform emulates 2D array
- Software controlled step size and frequency order



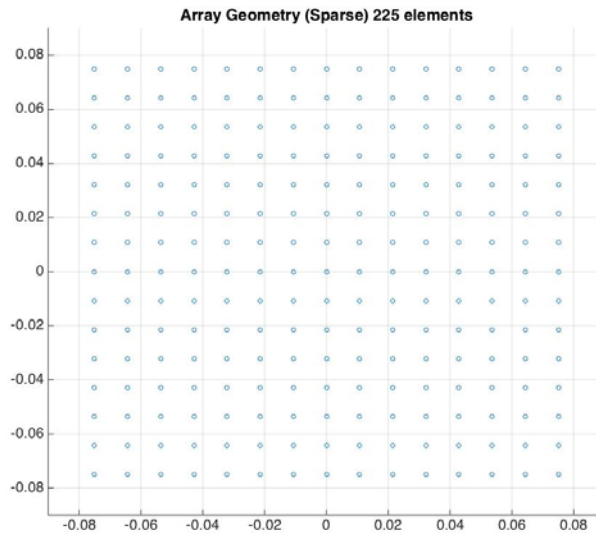
Built by:  
**Karam Noujeim (Anritsu)**  
Measurements taken by:  
**Greg Malysa (now at TI)**

# Emulated Array Geometry

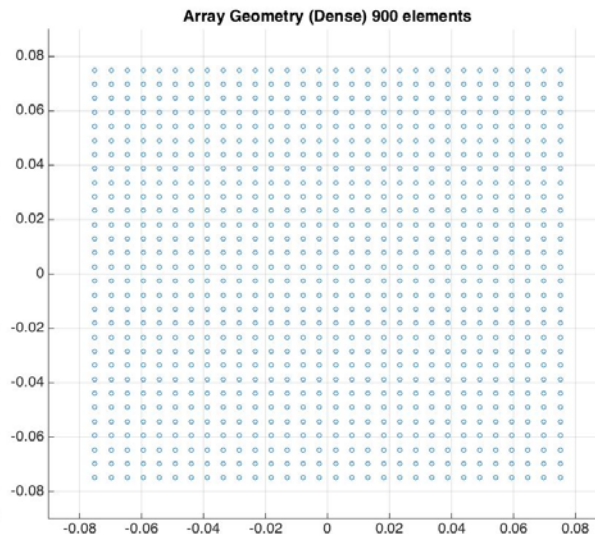
Sparse Array: 225 elements  
Inter-element spacing **1cm**

Dense Array: 900 elements  
Inter-element spacing **5mm**

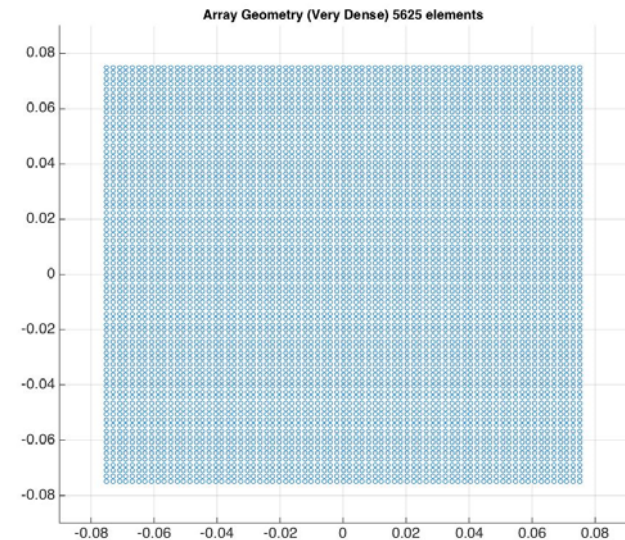
Very Dense Array: 5625 elements  
Inter-element spacing **2mm**



15 elements  
 $2\lambda$ -spacing

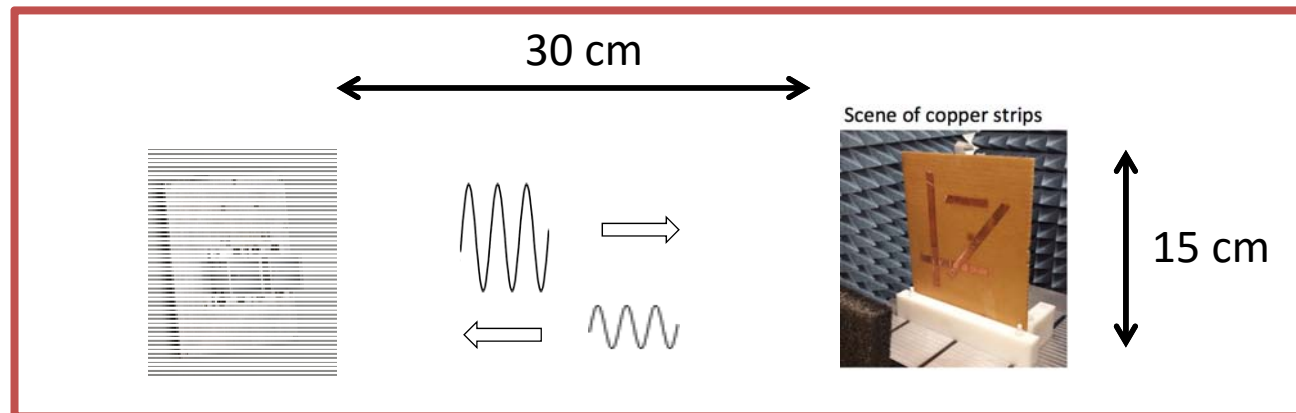
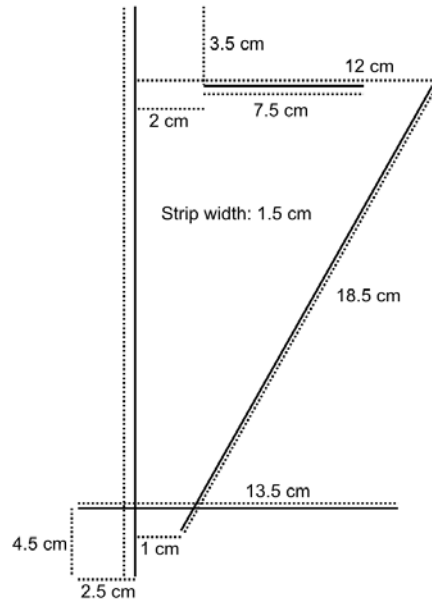


30 elements  
 $\lambda$ -spacing



75 elements  
 $0.4\lambda$ -spacing

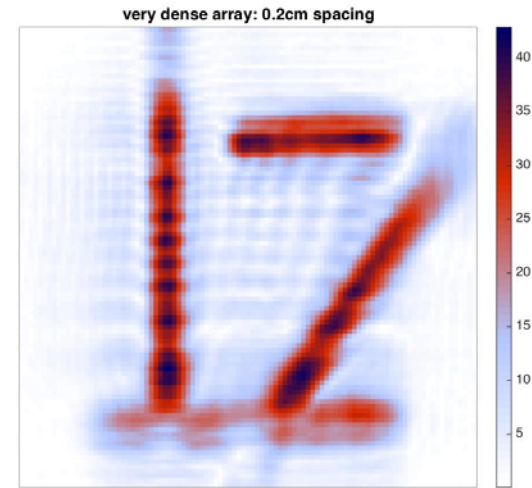
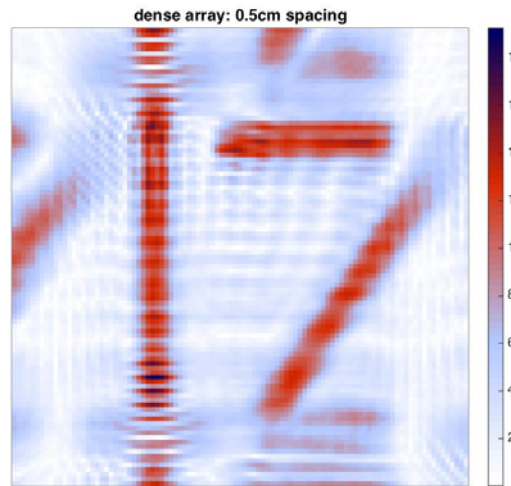
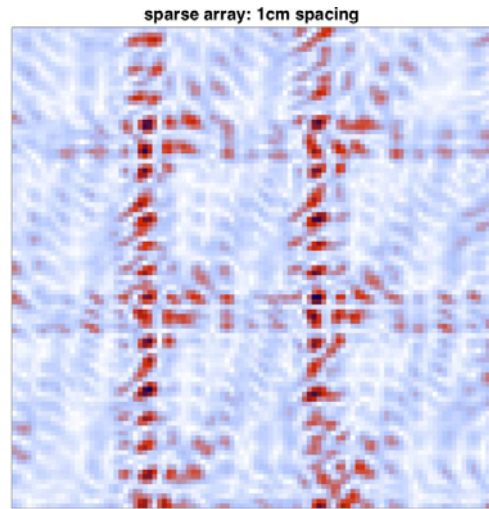
# Scene with copper strips



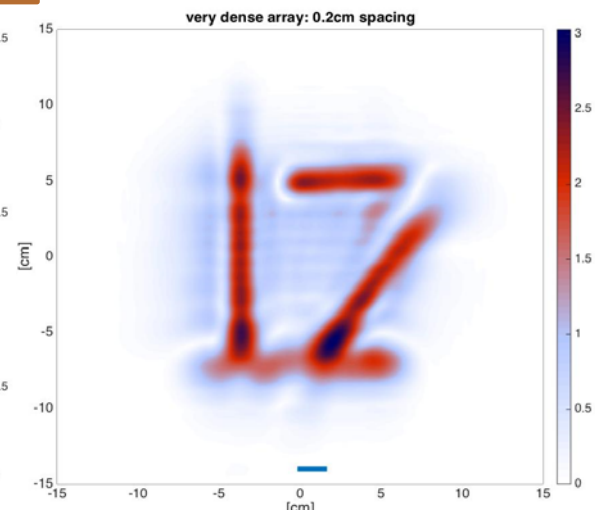
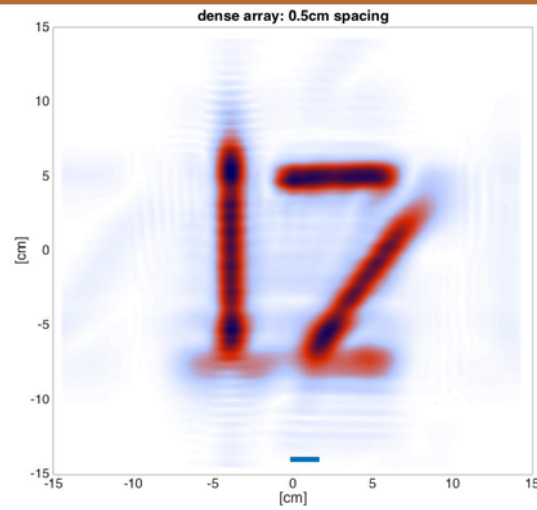
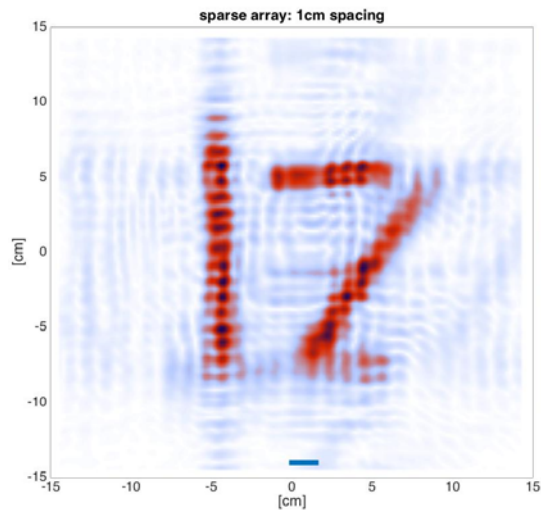


# Matched Filter: Point v/s Patch

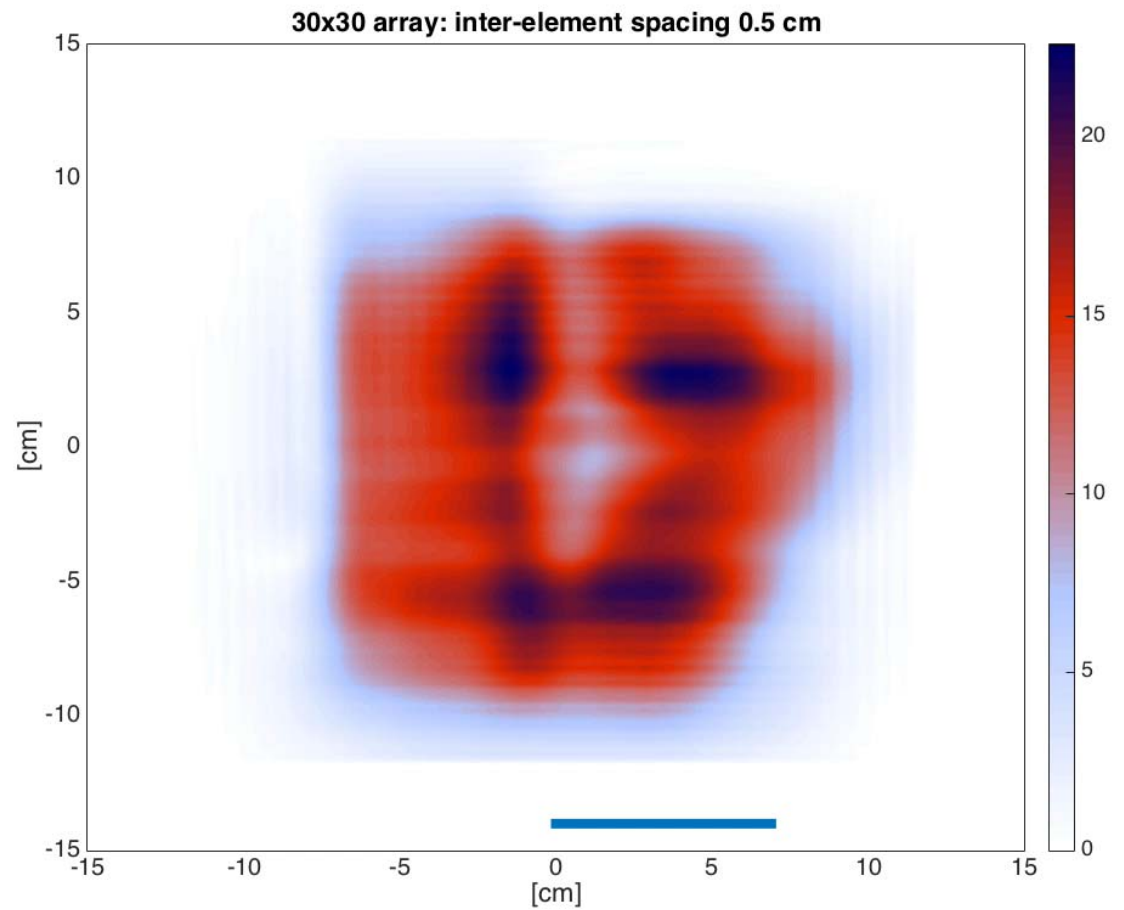
## Matched Filter (point)



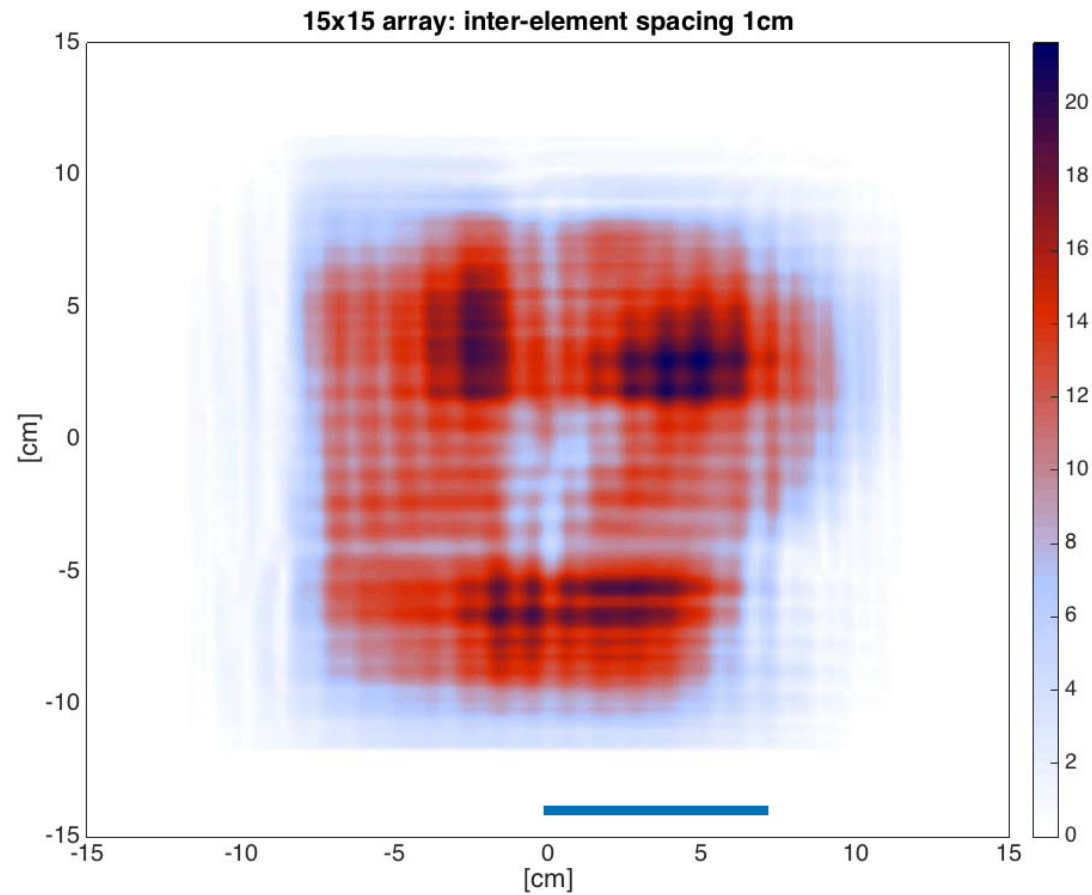
## Matched Filter (1.5cm patch)



# Dense Array – Changing the nominal patch size



# Sparse Array – Changing the nominal patch size



# Sparse Reconstruction

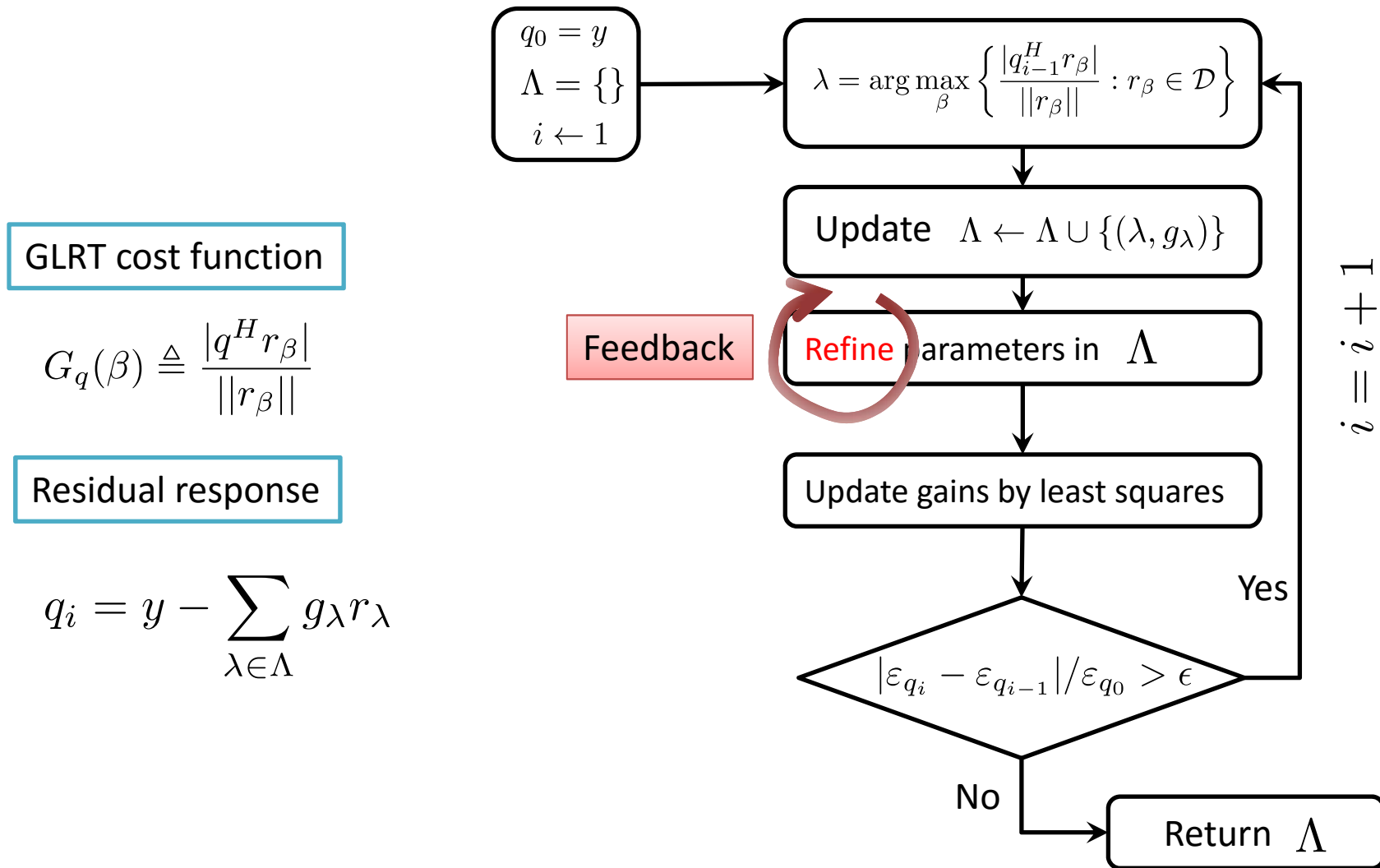
For a scene of  $\mathcal{K}$  patches, the overall response is

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{\mathcal{K}} g_{\alpha_i} r_{\alpha_i} + z$$

$\in \mathbb{C}^N$        $\in \mathbb{C}$        $\sim CN(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I})$

**Goal: Estimate patch locations (& possibly sizes) and gains**

# Newtonized OMP (NOMP)



GLRT cost function

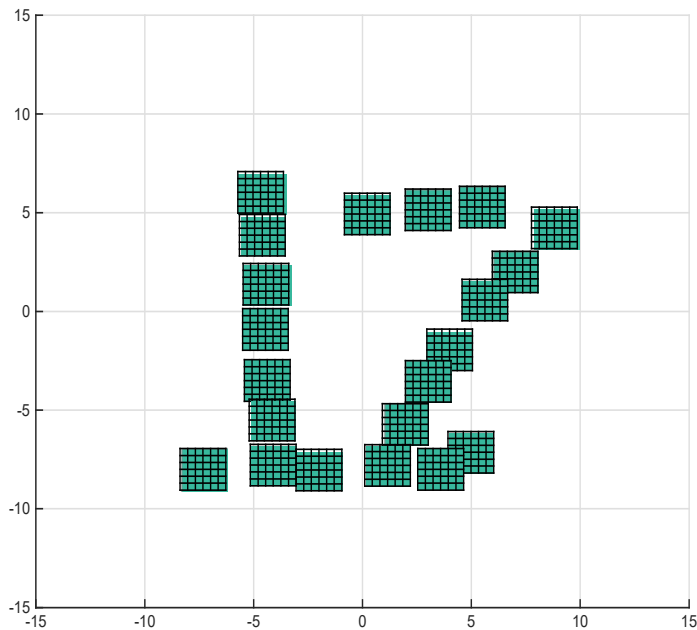
$$G_q(\beta) \triangleq \frac{|q^H r_\beta|}{\|r_\beta\|}$$

Residual response

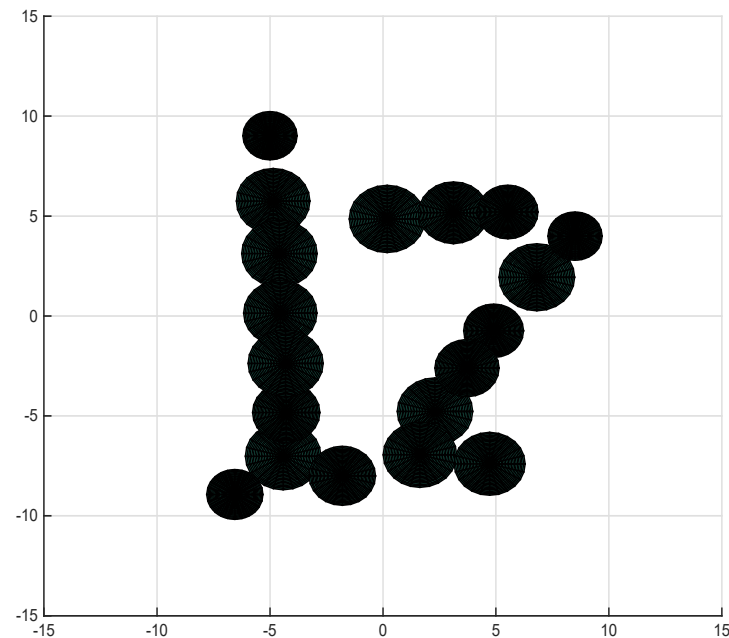
$$q_i = y - \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} g_\lambda r_\lambda$$

# NOMP for Patch Detection

- Sparse array  $\rightarrow$  applying NOMP algorithm for detection in the dictionary of square and circular patches



Fixed patch width = 1.5cm  
Refine patch center



Refine both center and radius

# Conclusions

- Undersampling via sparse arrays → additional assumptions required for scene reconstruction
- Spatial aggregation suppresses grating/side lobes
  - Physically plausible, since natural scenes are spatially lowpass
- Dictionary adapted to:
  - Nature of the aperture: sparsity level and geometry
  - Nature of the scene: size/shape/type of targets
- NOMP + patch model is an effective approach for sparse reconstruction
- Natural next steps
  - Joint delay-Doppler estimation with patches
  - Interface with machine learning algorithms

# Mm-wave mesh network design

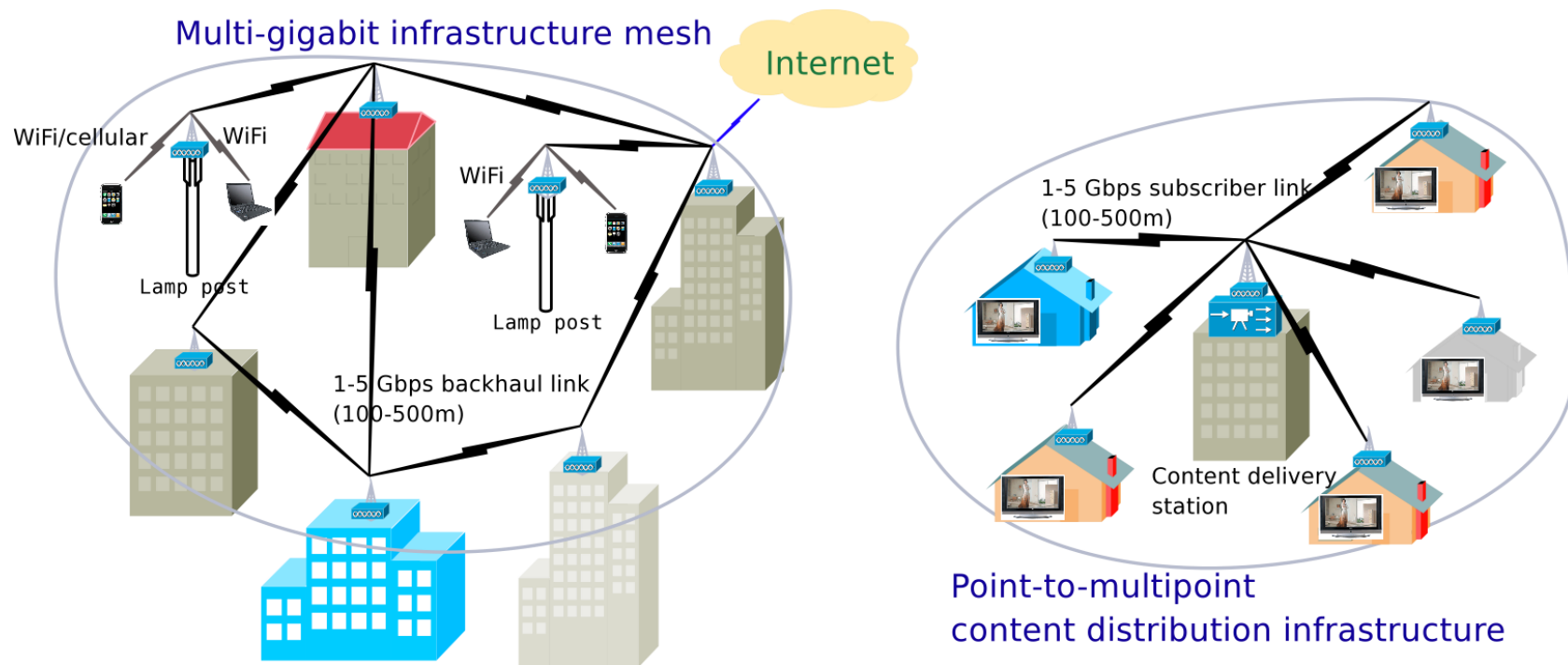
Upamanyu Madhow  
ECE Department, UCSB

Thanks to Maryam Eslami Rasekh for compiling these slides.

2016 Summer School, IISc Bangalore



# Mesh for backhaul and last mile



Fundamentals are different from those at lower carrier freqs  
(Directionality, blockage)

# Two models

- Decentralized mesh networking
  - Is it possible, given deafness due to directionality?
  - Simple model: randomly dispersed nodes in 2D plane, no blockage
  - New interference analysis and MAC
- Mesh backhaul in urban canyons
  - Optimization framework for joint resource allocation and routing to gateway nodes
  - Determine backhaul link speeds relative to access link speeds

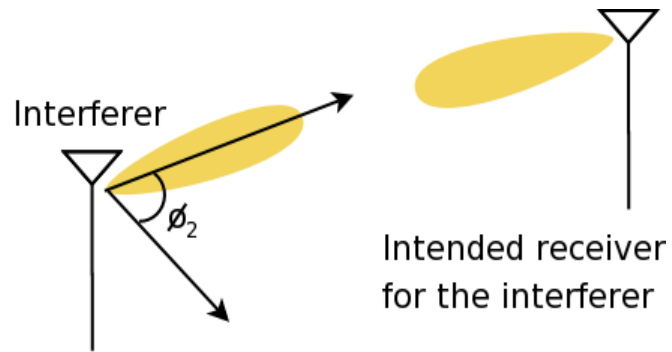
# Decentralized, highly directional networking (Model 1)

Singh, Mudumbai, Madhow, *Interference analysis for highly directional 60-GHz mesh networks: the case for rethinking medium access control*, IEEE/ACM Trans. Networking, October 2011.

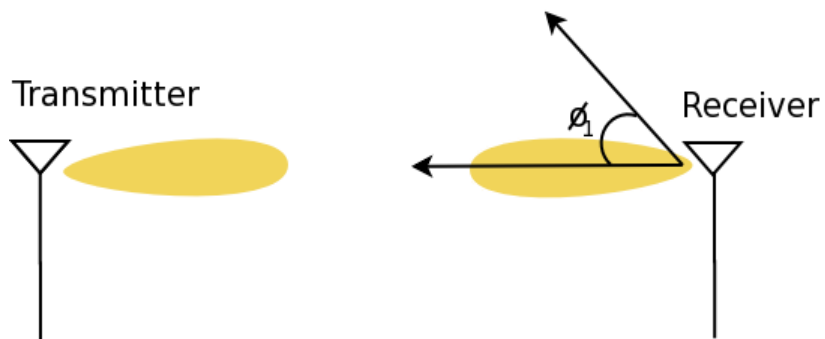
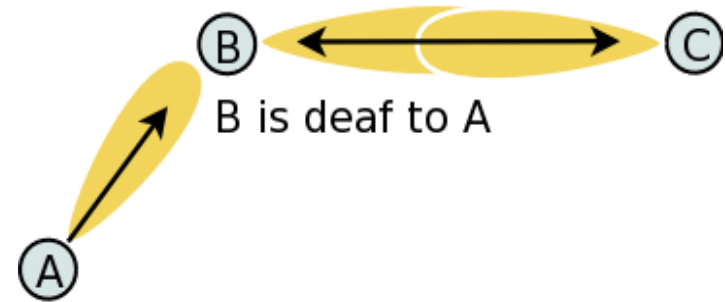
Singh, Mudumbai, Madhow, *Distributed coordination with deaf neighbors: efficient medium access for 60 GHz mesh networks*, IEEE Infocom 2010.

# Interference and Deafness

Interference with directional links



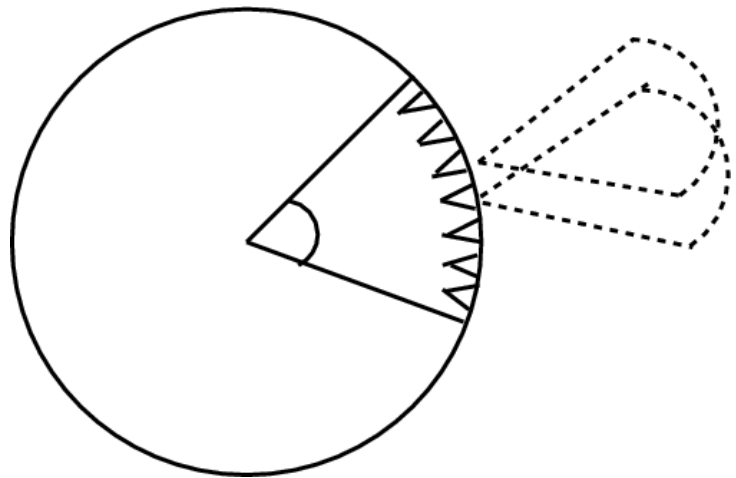
Deafness



# Networking in outdoor P2P networks

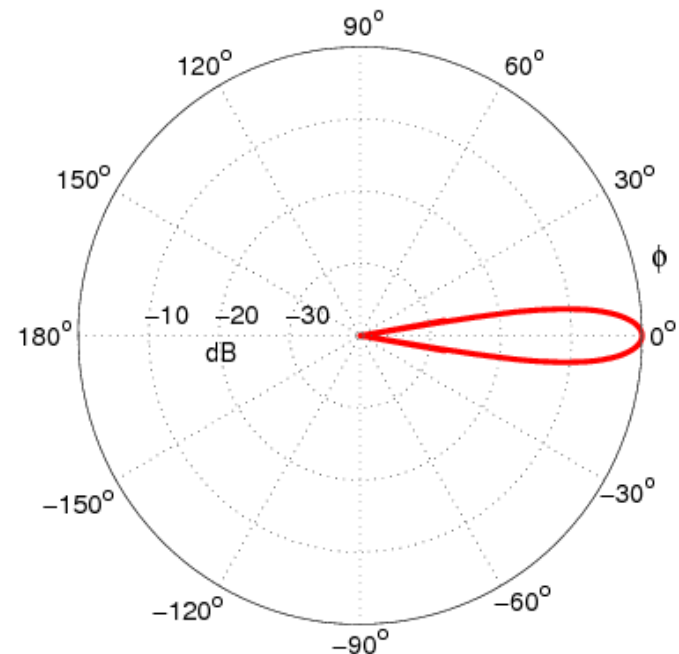
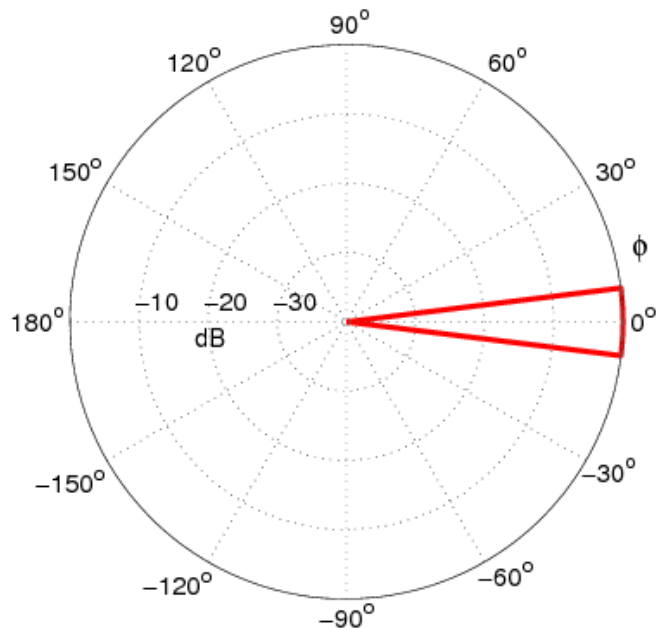
- No “omnidirectional mode” for MAC
  - Must use directionality to attain link budget
  - Directional-only mode also simplifies PHY
- Are directional links like wires?
  - A qualified yes
- How do we exploit “wire-like” characteristics for MAC?
  - Carrier sense is out, but interference is much reduced
- Many other details
  - Network discovery
  - Synchronization maintenance (if used in MAC)
- **Step 1: Understand spatial interference**

# Modeling beam patterns



Approximating a circular array of slot antennas as a uniform linear array of flat-top elements.

Gain pattern for a flat-top antenna (beam angle 14.4 degrees) and a 12 element linear array of flat-top elements, each of sector size 20 degrees. Antenna gain in both cases: 24 dBi



# Interference under the protocol model

- Flat top antenna, randomly placed transmitters, random orientation wrt desired receiver
- Collision iff there exists at least one interferer
  - within the interference range
  - within the receiver beamwidth
  - pointing in the direction of the receiver

Collision Probability

$$1 - e^{-\lambda \beta A_c}$$

$$A_c = \frac{(R_0 \Delta \Phi)^2}{4\pi} e^{-\alpha(R_i - R_0)}$$

$\beta$  : SINR threshold

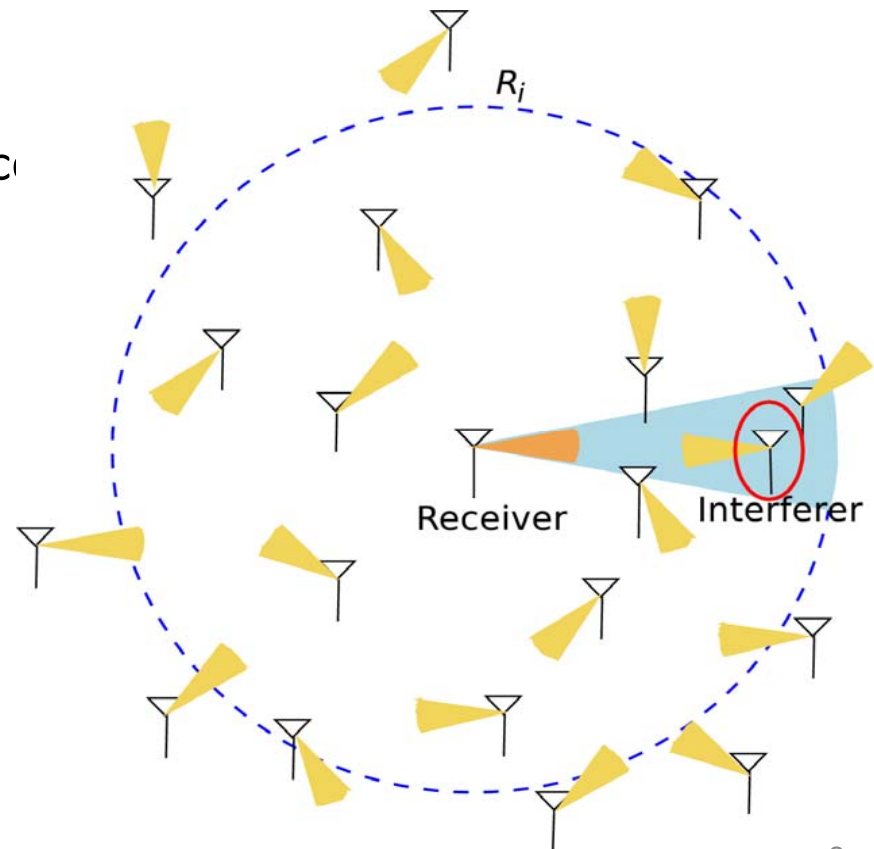
$\lambda$  : density of transmitting nodes

$\Delta \Phi$ : (azimuthal) beamwidth

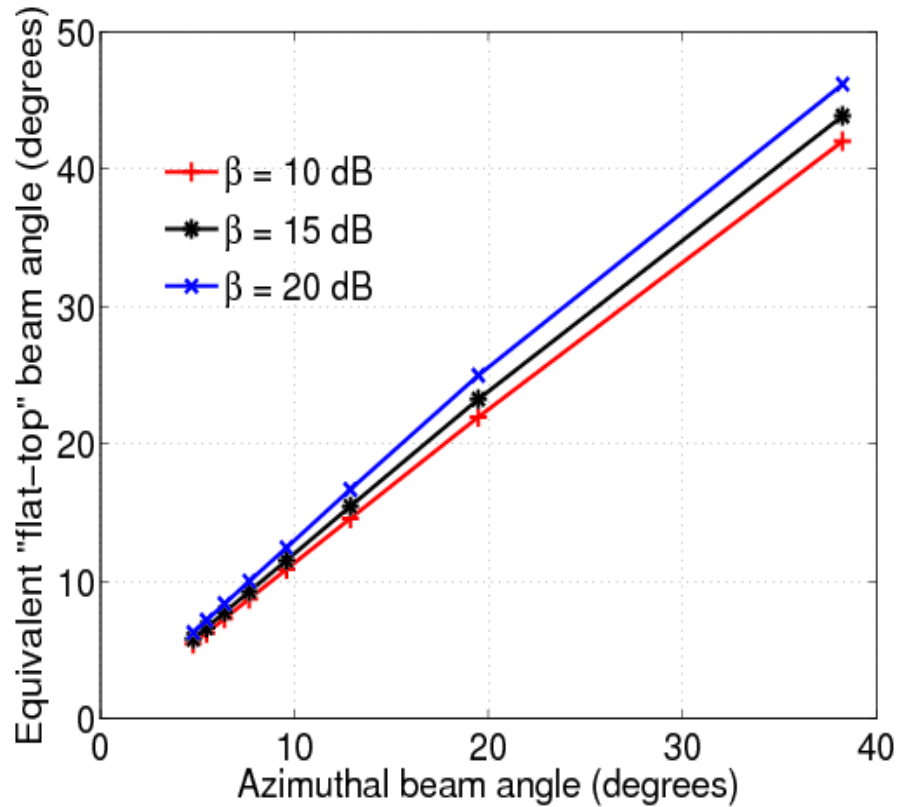
$R_0$  : nominal link range

$R_i$  : interference range

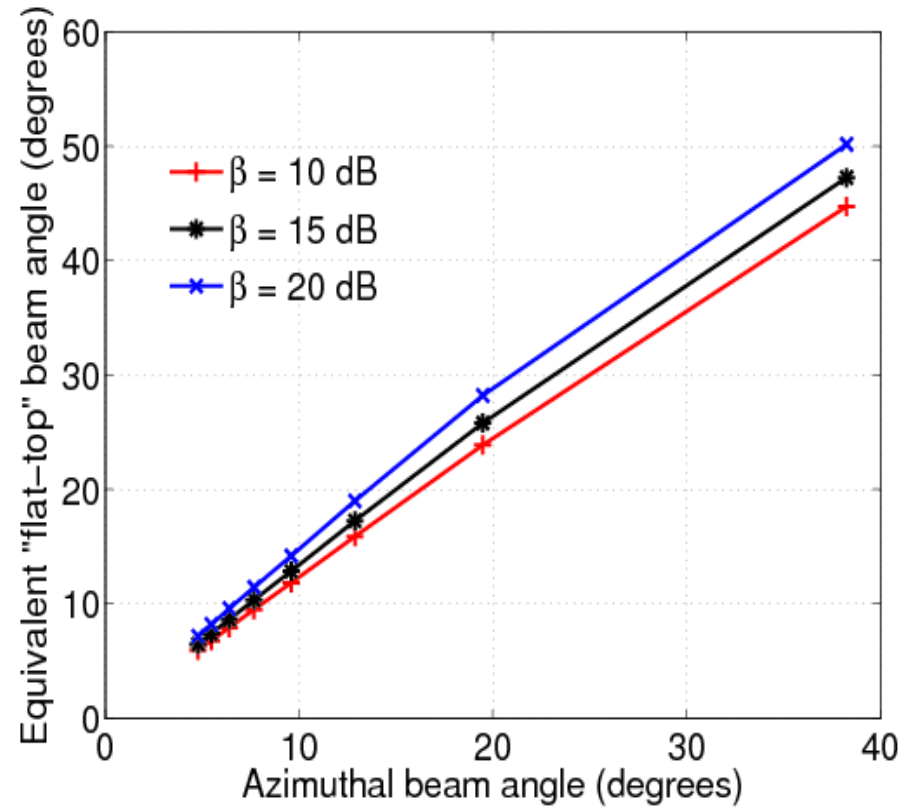
$\alpha$  : atmospheric absorption coefficient



# Generalizes to arbitrary antenna patterns



Nominal link 100m



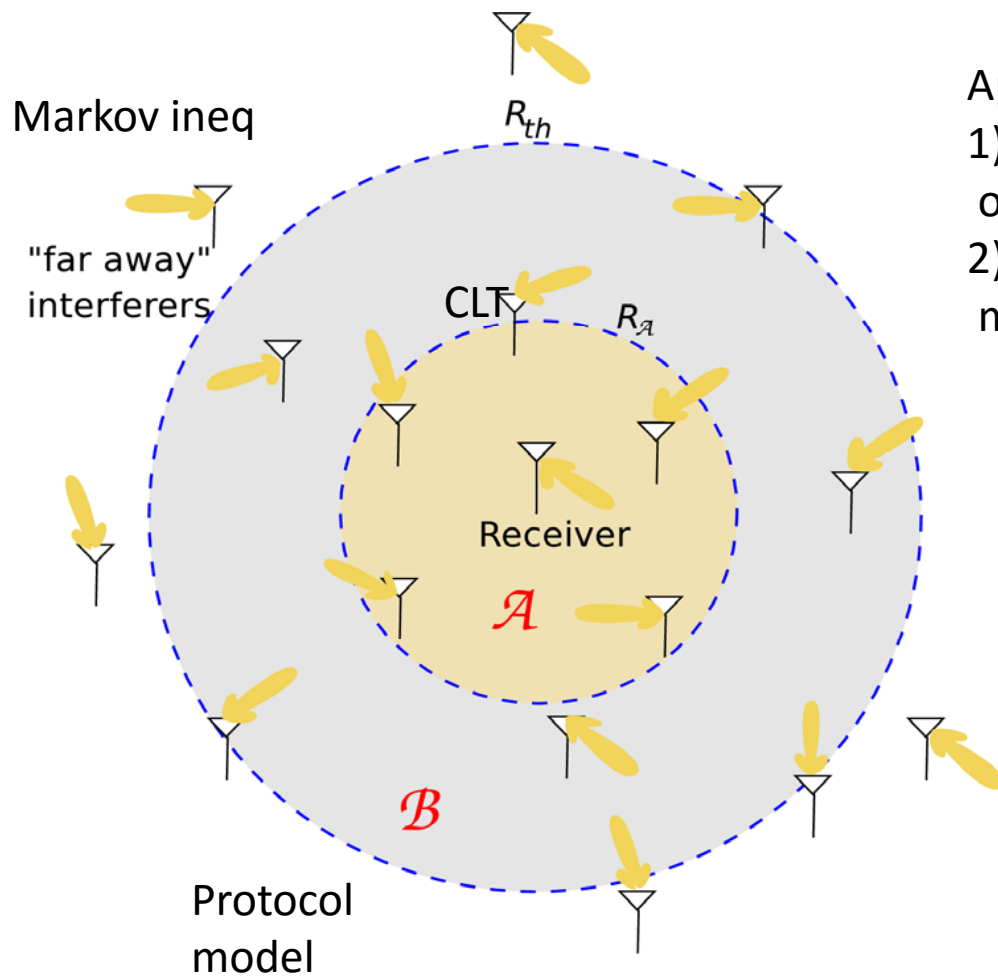
Nominal link 200m

General antenna patterns can be modeled using equivalent flat top beam angle



# Physical model

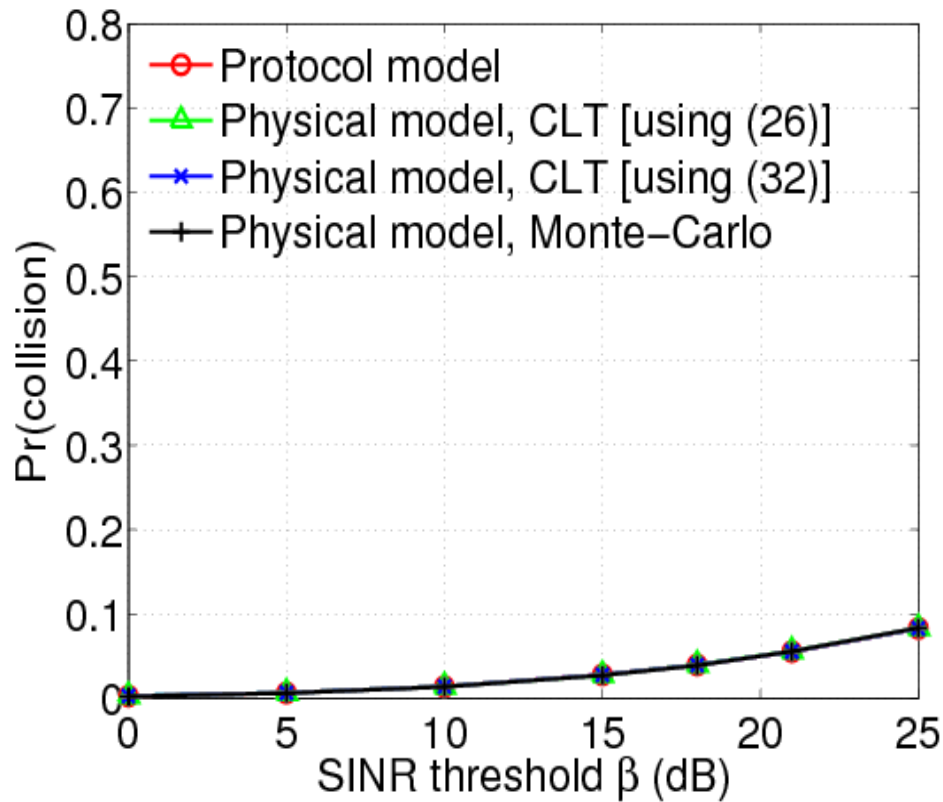
Collision prob =  $P[\text{sum interference exceeds threshold}]$



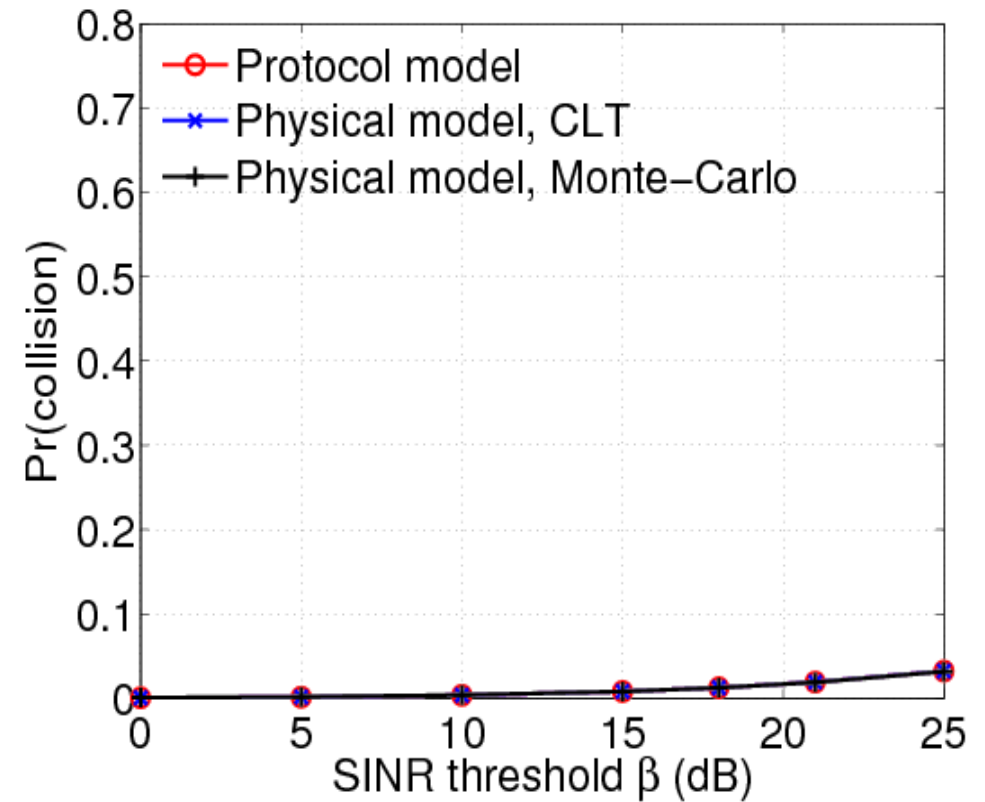
Approach:

- 1) Exploit oxygen absorption to bound effect of far-away interferers using Markov ineq
- 2) Use CLT or Chernoff bound plus protocol model for nearby interferers

# Collision probabilities (sparse network)



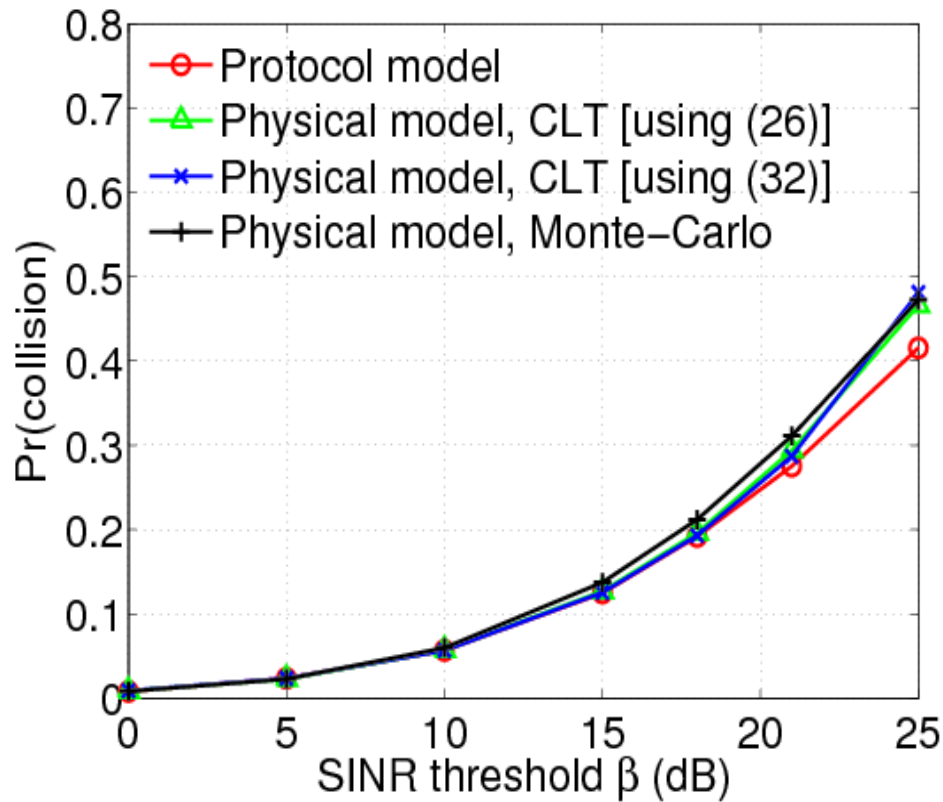
Flat-top antenna



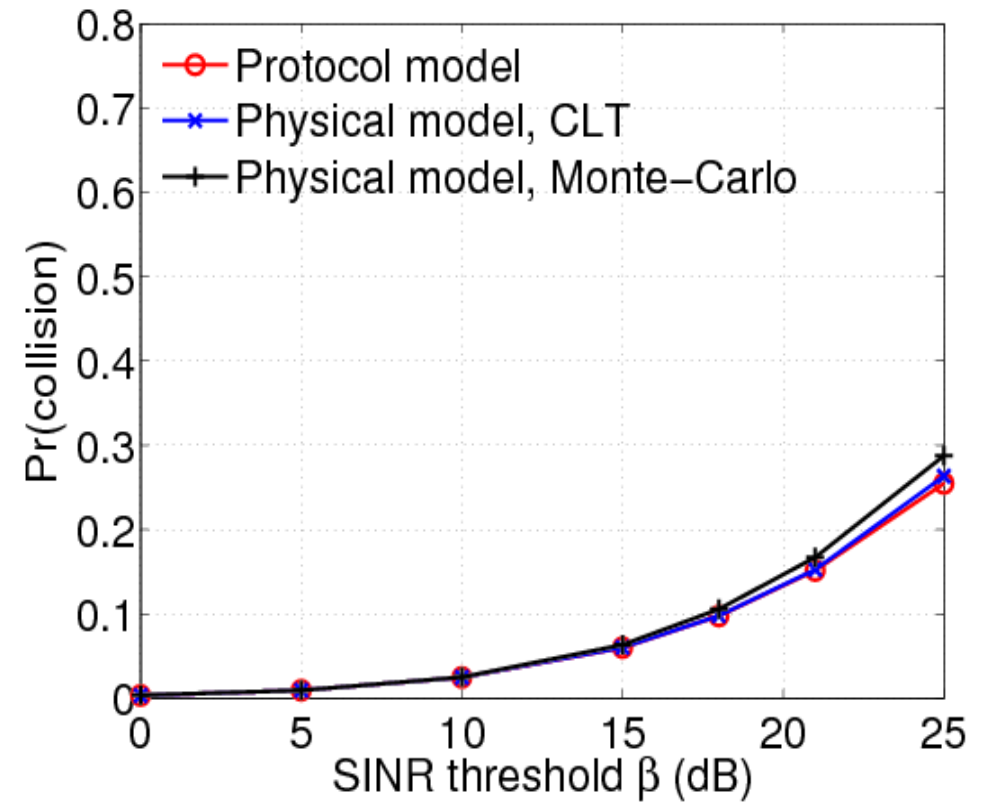
Linear array

Link range  $R = 200\text{m}$ ,  $\pi\rho R^2 = \pi$

# Collision probabilities (dense network)



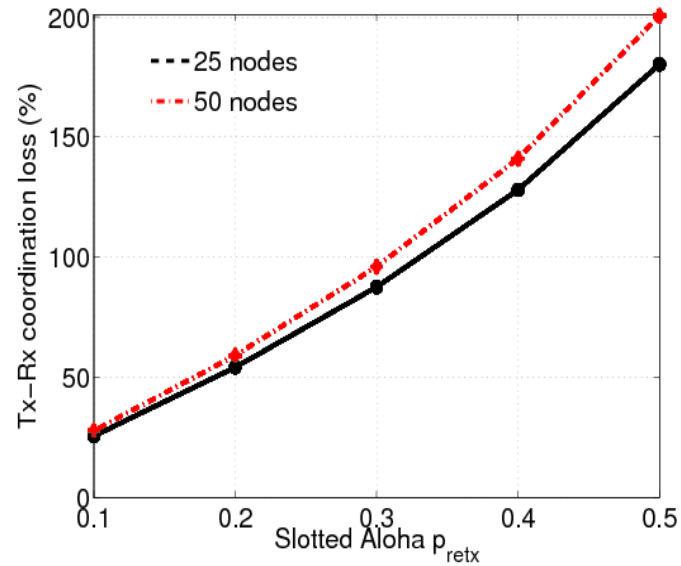
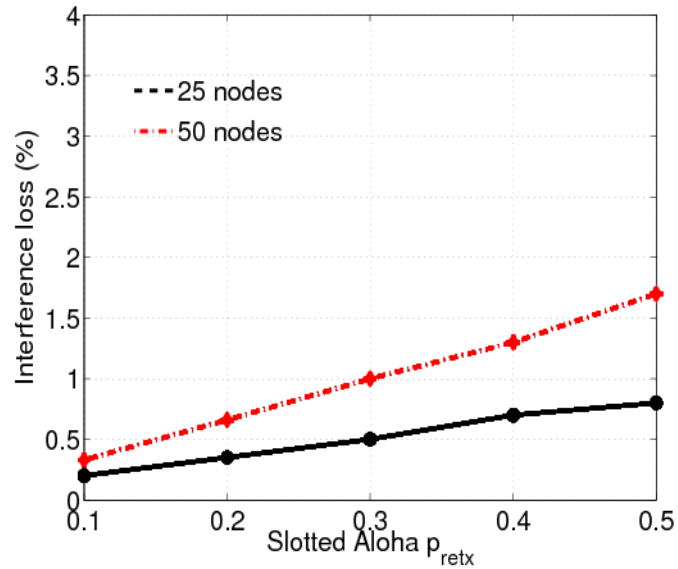
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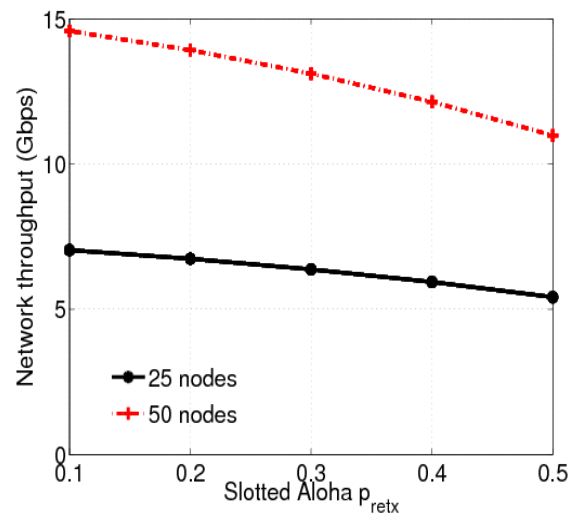
Linear array

Link range  $R = 100\text{m}$ ,  $\pi\rho R^2 = 5.2$  ( $\Pr(\text{connected network}) = 0.99$ )

# Coordination is the bottleneck



Collision losses order of magnitude smaller than losses due to failed coordination



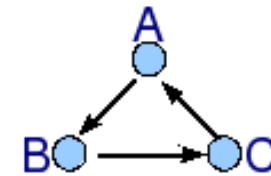
# MAC Design: Approach and Issues

- Different transmitters do not coordinate with each other
  - *Wire-like* links, *deaf* neighbors
- Transmitter tries to coordinate with intended receiver
  - Half-duplex constraint
  - Receiver can only receive successfully from one node at a time
- Novel design approach needed for pseudowired links
  - MAC emphasis shifts from interference management/avoidance to scheduling
  - Distributed learning vs. centralized scheduling

# Memory-guided directional MAC (MDMAC)

## Stigmergic evolution of TDM-like schedule

- x : failed transmission
- v : successful transmission
- : *blacklisted slot*



|     | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|-----|---|---|---|
| A→B | x | v |   |
| B→C | x |   |   |
| C→A | x | x |   |

Frame 1

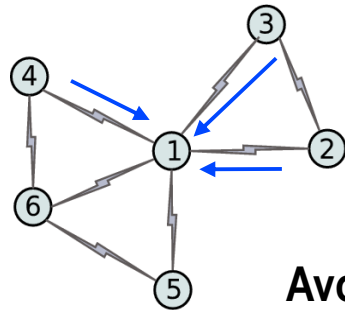
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Frame 2

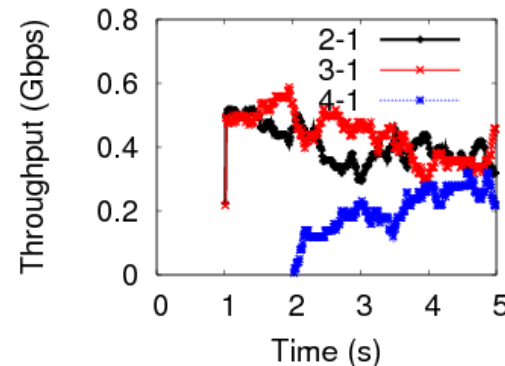
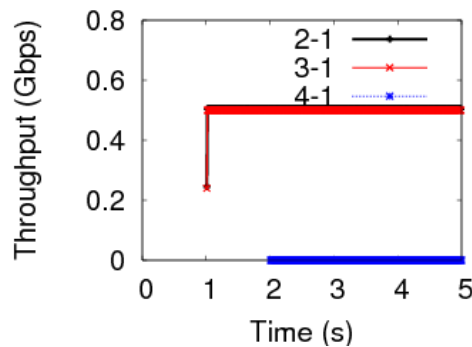
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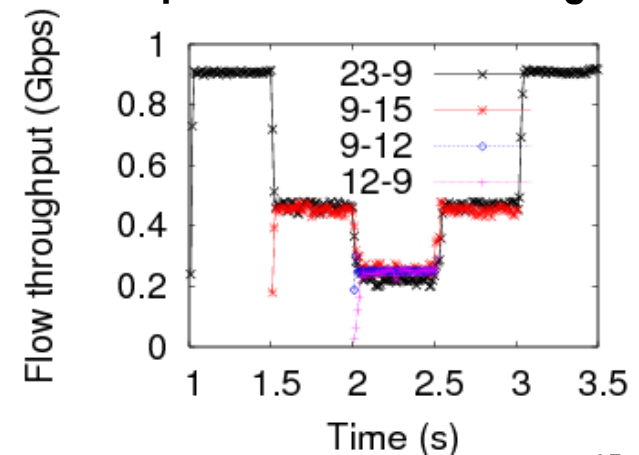
Overall schedule evolution



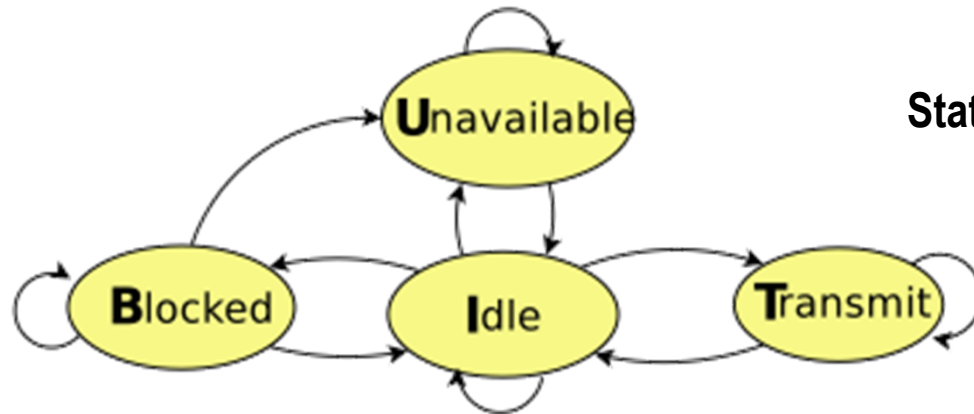
## Avoiding lockout via randomization



## Adaptation to traffic changes



# Design guidelines from fixed point analysis



State diagram for a typical outgoing link

Randomized holding time for slot governs  $P[\text{Transmit} \rightarrow \text{Idle}]$  and  $P[\text{Unavailable} \rightarrow \text{Idle}]$

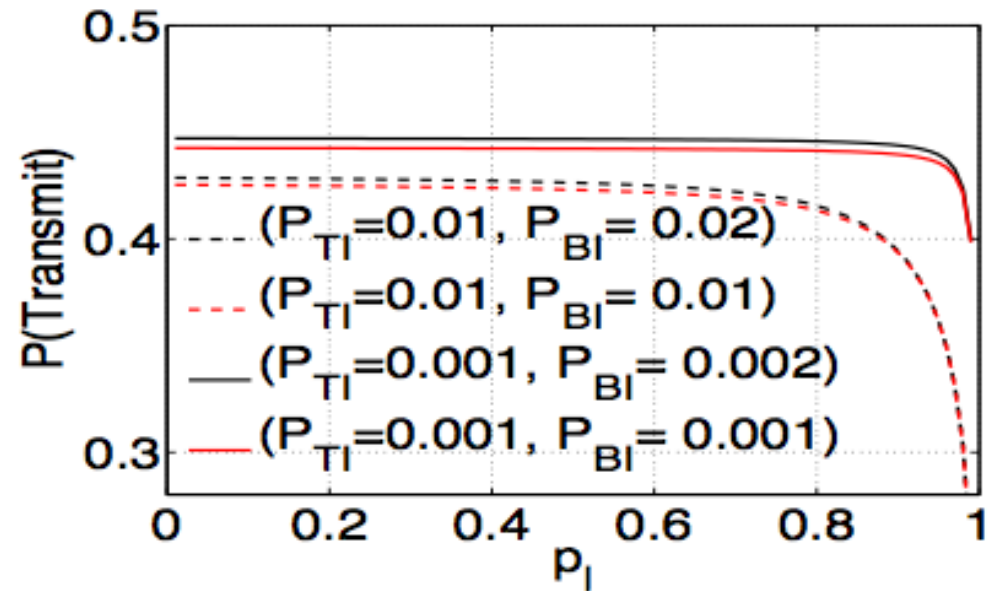
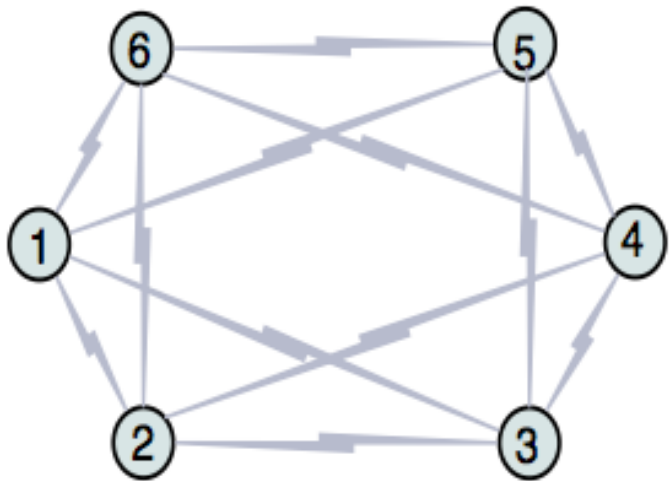
Randomized holding time for blacklisted slot governs  $P[\text{Blocked} \rightarrow \text{Idle}]$

$$P_{IT} = p_{tx} \left( \frac{P_I}{P_I + P_B} p_l + \frac{P_B}{P_I + P_B} \right)$$

Transition probs for a 2-node network

$$P_{IU} = \frac{p_{tx} p_l P_I}{P_I + P_B}, P_{BU} = \frac{p_{tx} P_I}{P_I + P_B}, P_{IB} = \frac{p_{tx}^2 P_I}{P_I + P_B}$$

# Guidelines for a 4 node network

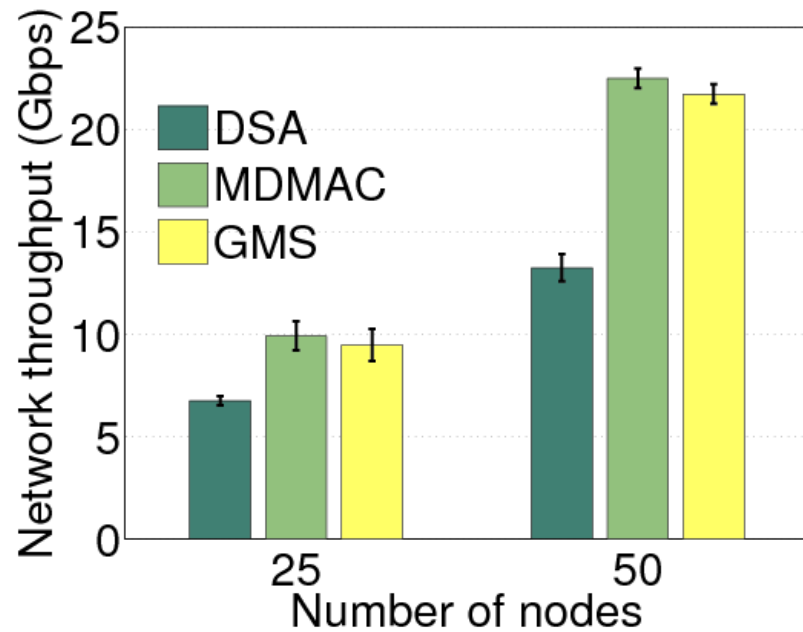


Long holding times (~500-1000 frames) give better throughput, but shorter holding times are also OK

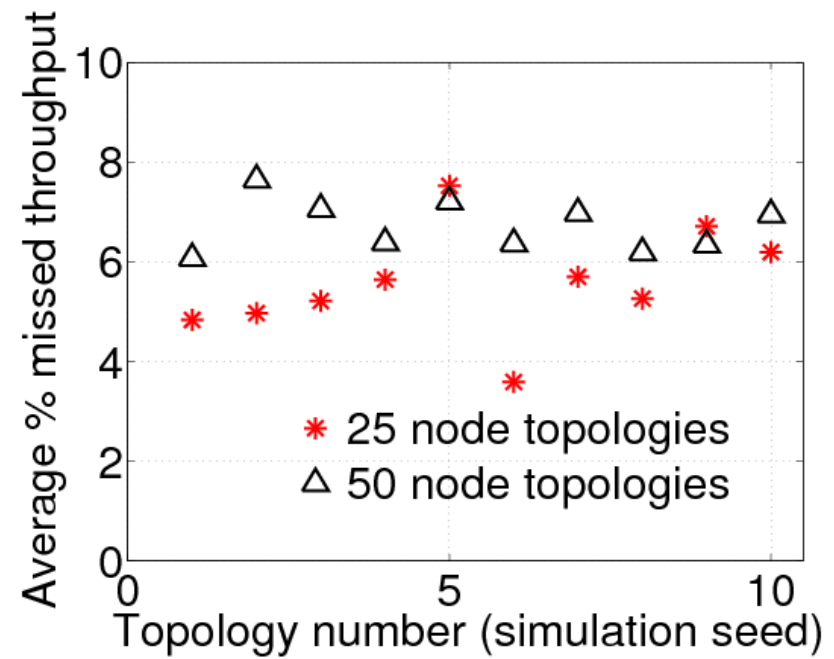
Performance insensitive to listening probability



# MDMAC performance: saturated traffic



Aggregate network throughput

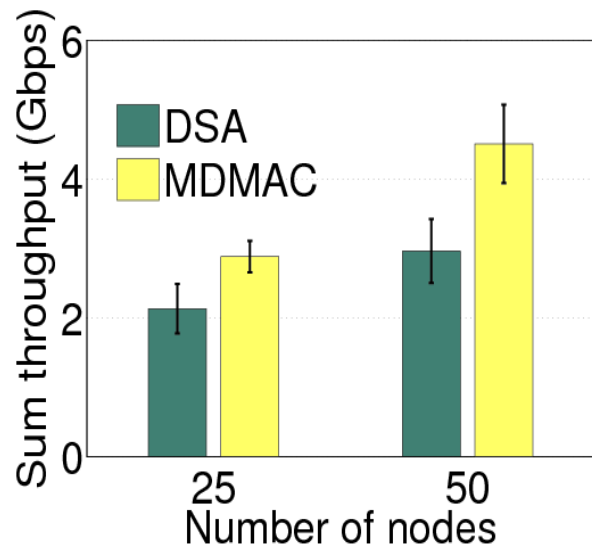


Missed transmit opportunities

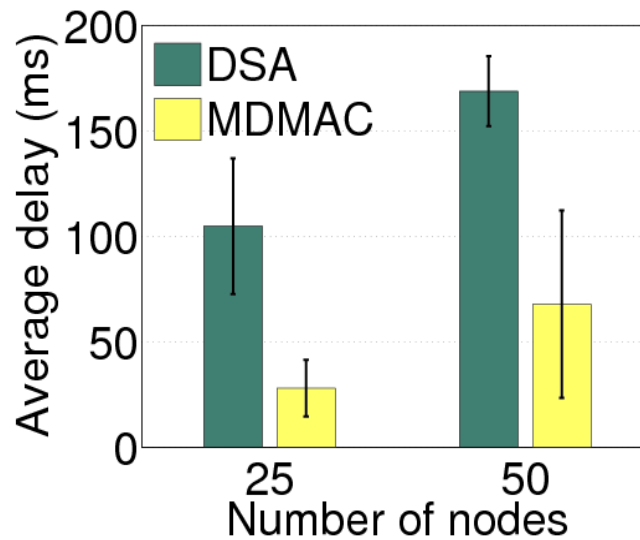
# TDM-like performance on a mesh network

4-5% “missed transmit opportunities”

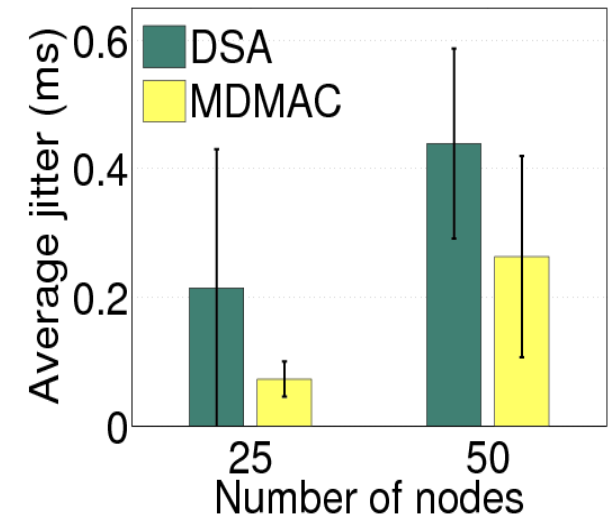
Significantly better than benchmark directional slotted aloha



Aggregate network throughput



End-to-end delay

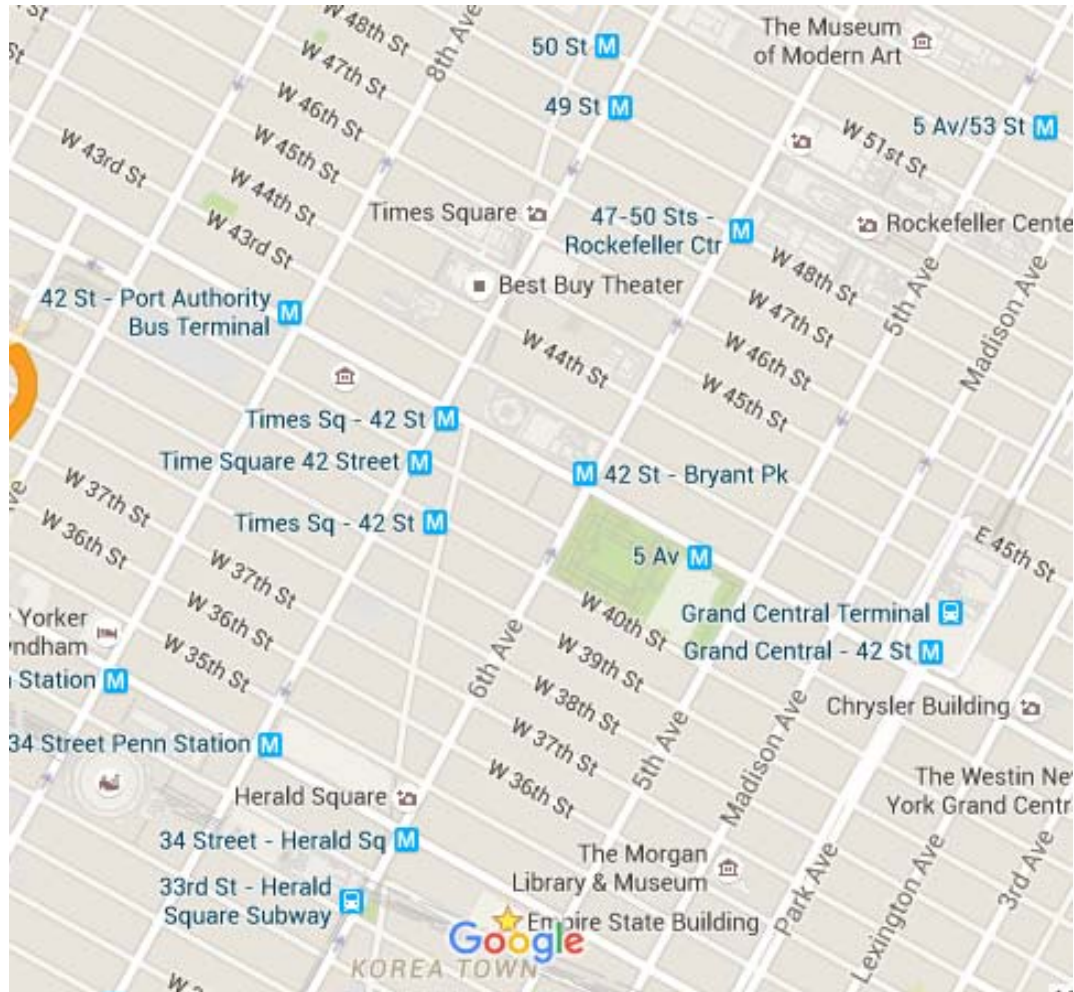


Delay-jitter

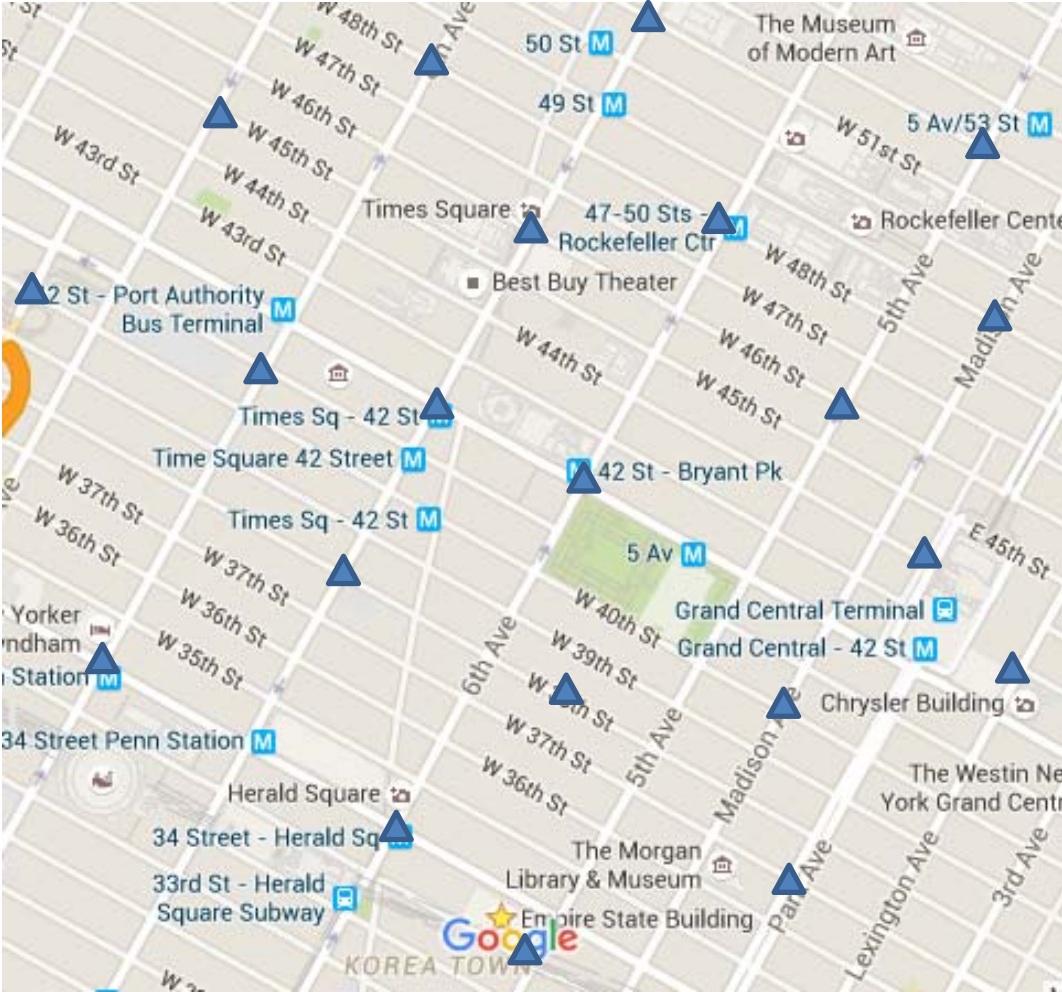
# Joint resource allocation and routing for mm-wave backhaul (Model 2)

Maryam E. Rasekh, Dongning Guo, U. Madhow, *Interference-aware routing and spectrum allocation for millimeter wave backhaul in urban picocells*, Allerton 2015.

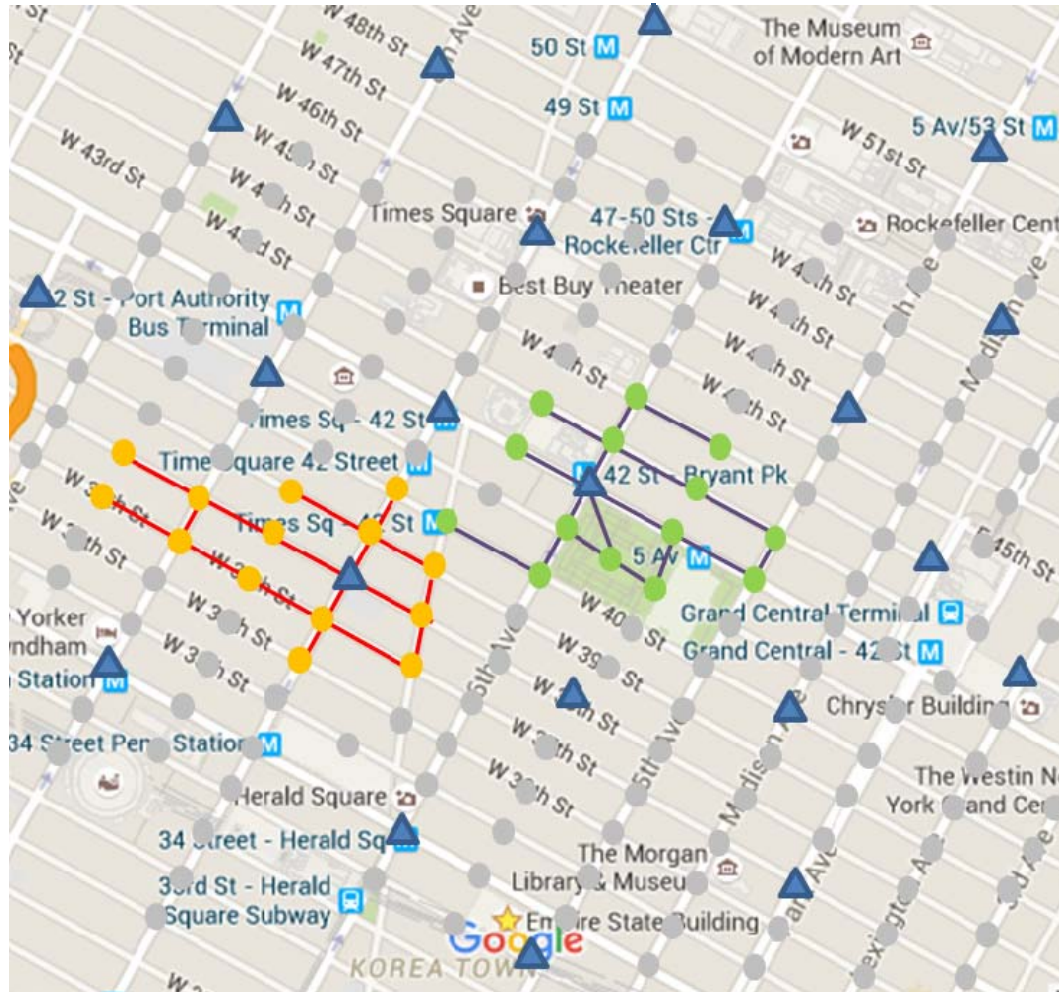
# Inside a dense city structure



# Extend current cell centers...

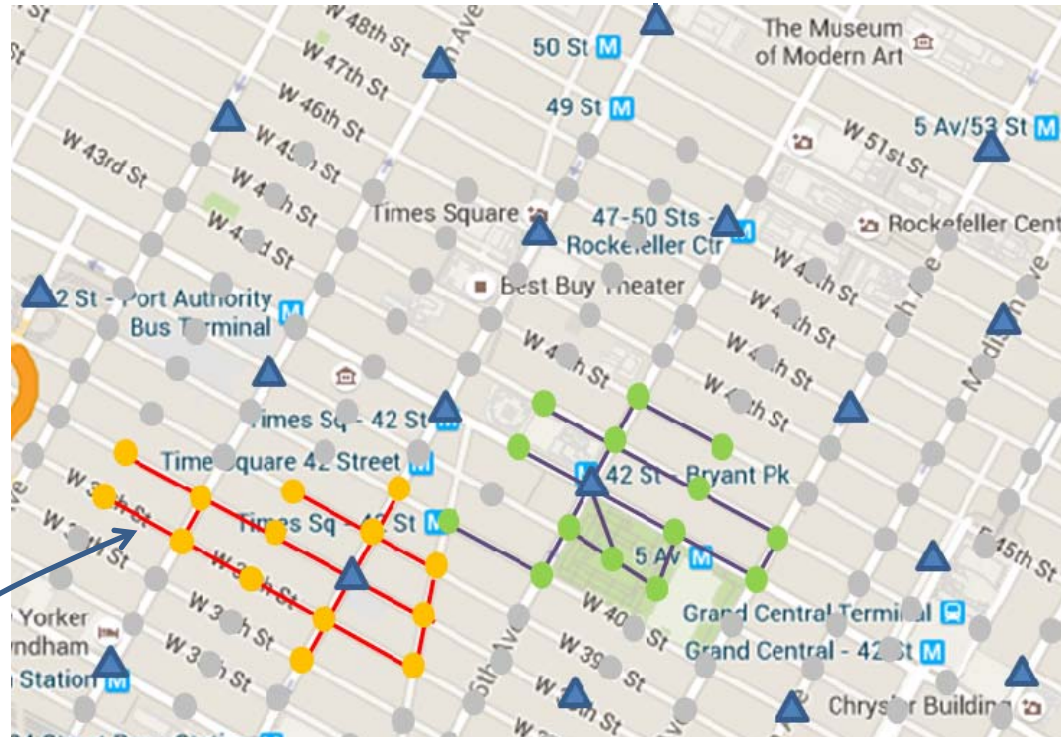


...to a much denser deployment



Old base stations act as gateway nodes for the new network

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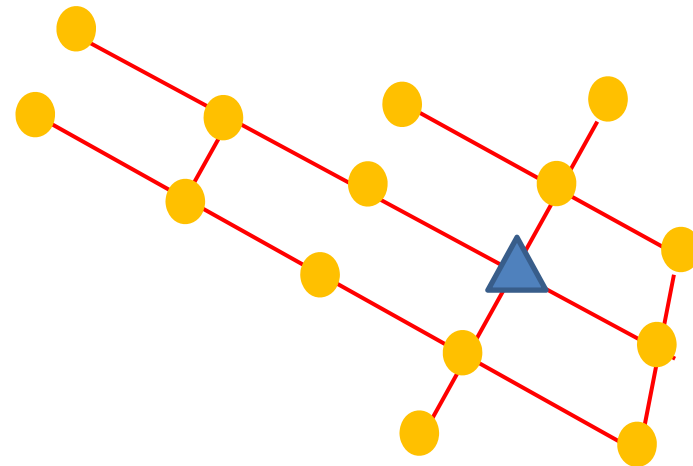
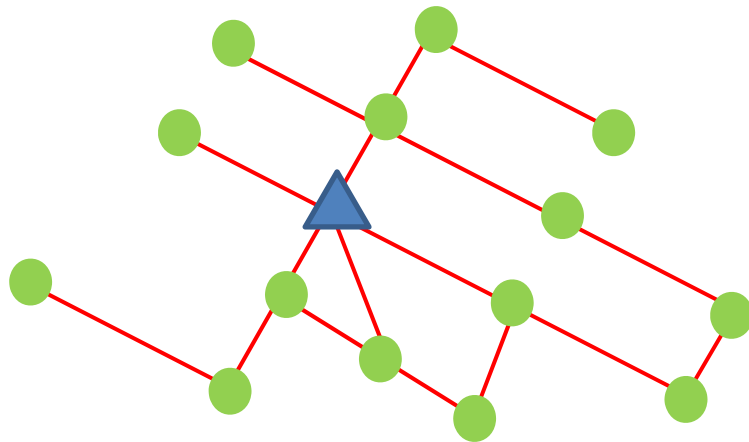
Each node is connected to its neighbors through a LOS mmwave link

The resulting mesh network acts as backhaul for the new picocells

# Resource allocation

- Each node uses nearest gateway: relatively independent clusters of nodes around gateways
- Problem of resource allocation and routing limited to small clusters

⇒ **Centralized allocation**





# Interference model

- Allocate resources considering limitations:  
(1) No simultaneous transmit and receive on any node



- (2) Possible interference between aligned links



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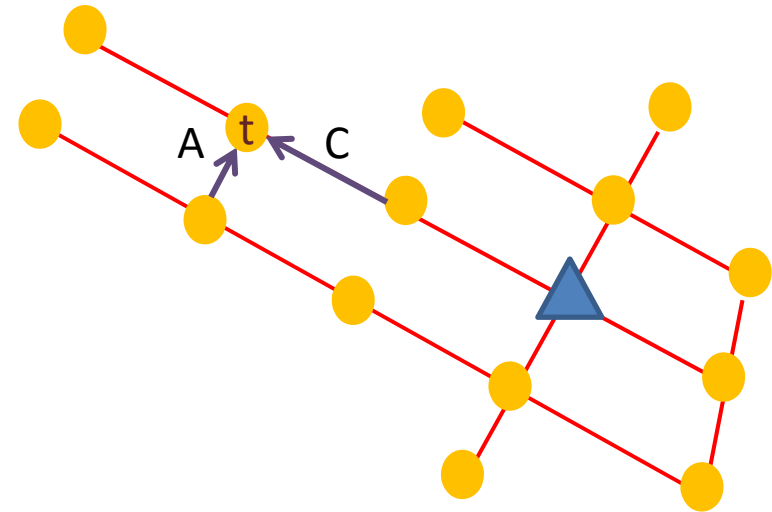
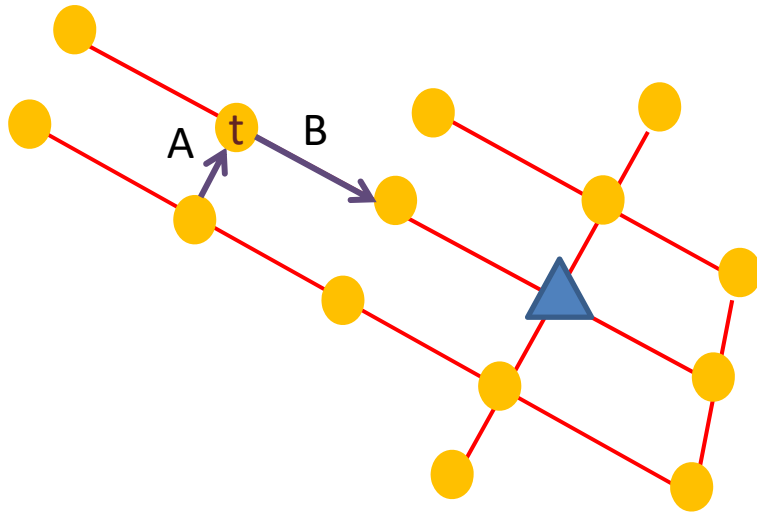
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# Interference model

Example:

- Links A and B cannot be active simultaneously – node t would have to transmit and receive simultaneously
- Links A and C can be active simultaneously



Note that each line represents **two** links, one in each direction

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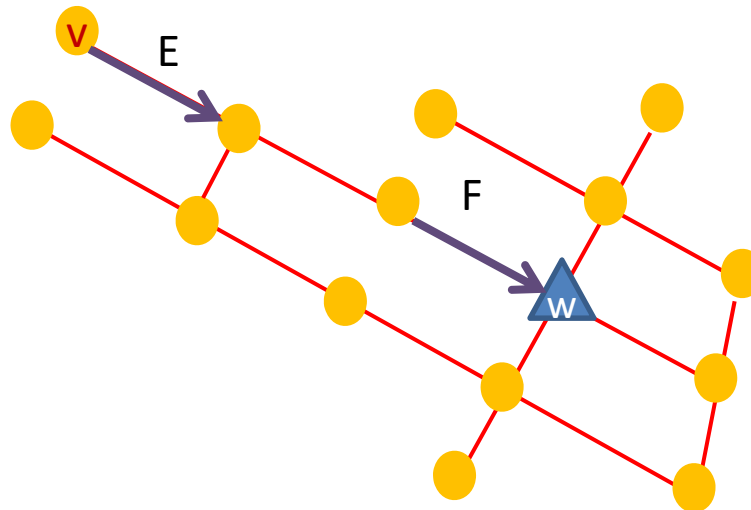
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# Interference model

Example:

- Link E can cause interference on link F – since receiver at node w is aligned with transmitter at node v



# Resource allocation

- Resources (designated parts of available bandwidth) are allocated to links
- Throughput of each link depends on the interference caused by links using the same bandwidth (Shannon capacity)

$$r_l = \int_{B_l} \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{S_l}{N_0 + \sum_{\substack{q \text{ using} \\ \text{band } df}} I_{ql}} \right) df$$

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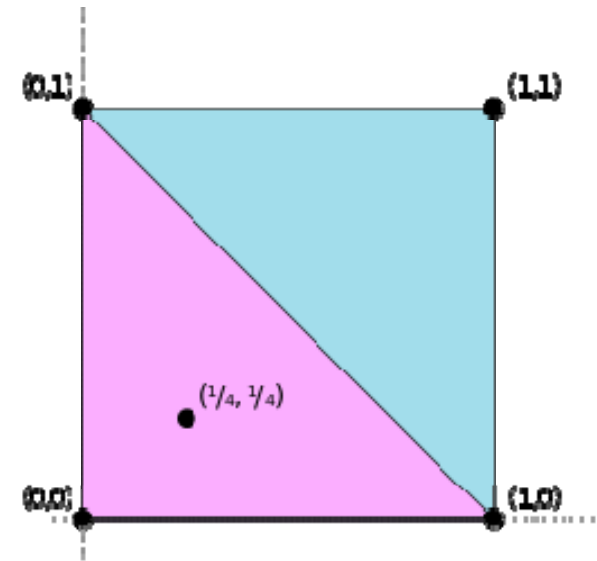
data rate of link  $l$  (bit/s)  $r_l = \int_{B_l} \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{S_l}{N_0 + \sum_{q \text{ using band } df} I_{ql}} \right) df$

bandwidth assigned to link  $l$  Interference of link  $q$  on link  $l$

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# Approach

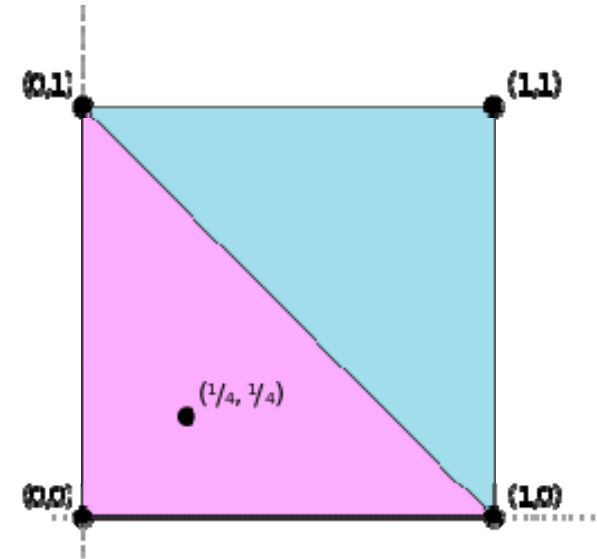
- Caratheodory theorem:  
if a point  $x$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  lies in the convex hull of a set  $P$ , there is a subset  $P'$  of  $P$  consisting of  $d+1$  or fewer points such that  $x$  lies in the convex hull of  $P'$
  - Blow up problem size
  - Simple convex optimization formulation
- ⇒ Result size will be small





# Approach

- Caratheodory theorem:  
if a point  $x$  of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  lies in the convex hull of a set  $P$ , there is a subset  $P'$  of  $P$  consisting of  $d+1$  or fewer points such that  $x$  lies in the convex hull of  $P'$



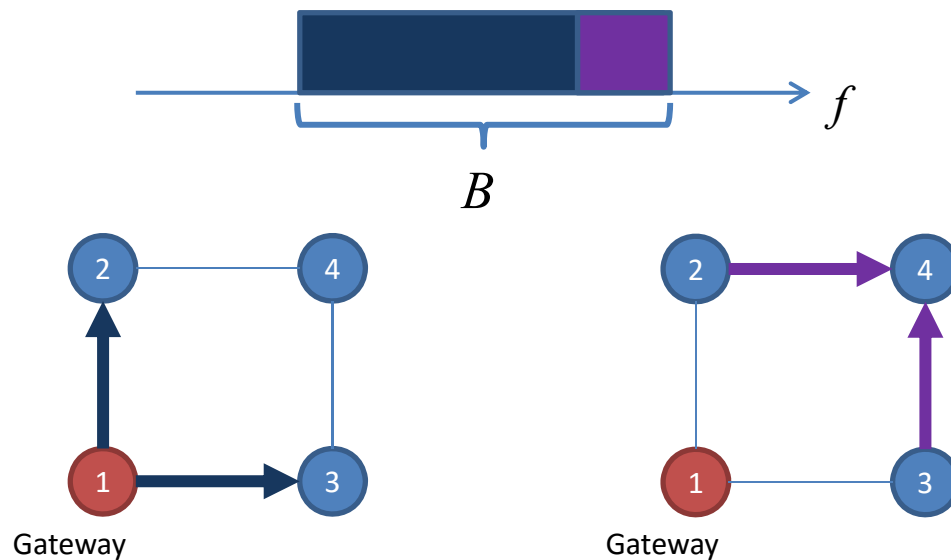
- Allocation to links  $\rightarrow$  Allocation to *subsets* of links
  - L links    N nodes
  - $2^L - 1$  possible subsets of links

# Approach

- Non-overlapping portions of available bandwidth allocated to subsets of links

$x_P$  = spectrum allocated to subset  $P \subset \{1,2,\dots,L\}$

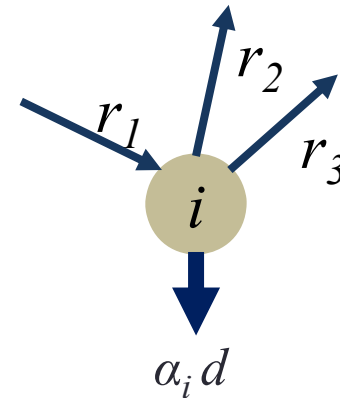
$$\sum_P x_P = B = 1$$



# Problem formulation

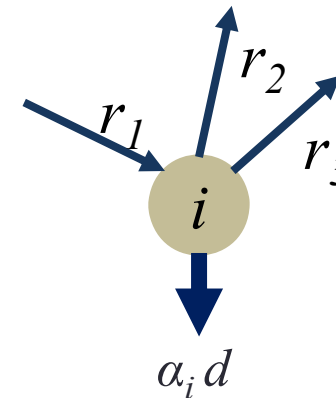
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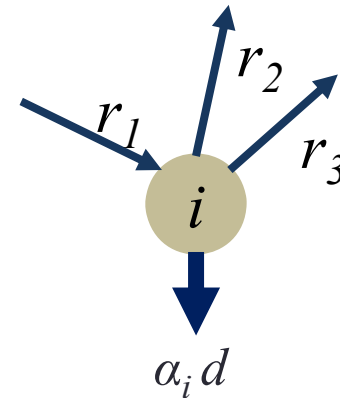
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$$f_{li} = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{link } l \text{ runs into node } i \\ -1 & \text{link } l \text{ runs out of node } i \\ 0 & \text{link } l \text{ is not connected to node } i \end{cases}$$

$$r_{l,P} = \log\left(1 + \frac{\gamma_l}{1 + \sum_{k \in P \setminus \{l\}} I_{k \rightarrow l}}\right)$$

# Problem formulation

First attempt:

maximize  $d$  (delivered rate)  
 $\{x_P\}$

subject to  $\sum_{P \subset \{1, \dots, L\}} x_P = 1$  (resource constraint)

$$\sum_{P \subset \{1, \dots, L\}} x_P \sum_{l \in P} r_{l,P} f_{li} - \alpha_i d \geq 0, \quad i = 2, \dots, N$$

(flow balance)

# Problem formulation

- Variables:  $X = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2^L-1}, d]^T$

$$\underset{X}{\text{maximize}} \quad [0, 0, \dots, 0, 1]X = cX$$

- Constraints:  $AX \leq b$

$$A_{(N \times 2^L)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ \ddots & & & \alpha_2 \\ & -A_{ij} & & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & \alpha_N \end{bmatrix} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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← resource constraint

} flow balance at each node

$$A_{ij} = \sum_{l \in P_j} r_{l, P_j} f_{li}$$

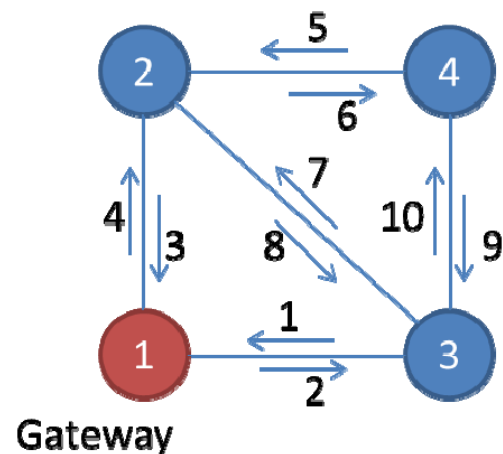


# Formulation 1

- Insensitive to power/delay
  - Long paths
  - Redundancies

$$d = 1.7297 \text{ bps}$$

$$d / d_{link} = 0.5$$



| Link index                | 1 | 2  | 3 | 4  | 5 | 6  | 7     | 8     | 9 | 10 | %     |
|---------------------------|---|----|---|----|---|----|-------|-------|---|----|-------|
| Active subsets            | 0 | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0     | 0     | 0 | 0  | 53.21 |
|                           | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 1     | 0     | 0 | 0  | 10.89 |
|                           | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0     | 0     | 0 | 0  | 10.89 |
|                           | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0     | 1     | 0 | 1  | 10.89 |
|                           | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0     | 0     | 0 | 1  | 10.89 |
|                           | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1     | 0     | 0 | 1  | 3.21  |
| Total link activation (%) | 0 | 75 | 0 | 75 | 0 | 25 | 10.89 | 10.89 | 0 | 25 |       |

## Formulation 2

- Sum of link data rates under allocation as a proxy for delay/power

$$s_k = \sum_{l \in P_k} r_{l, P_k}, \quad k = 1, \dots, 2^L - 1$$

- Penalize via modified objective function

$$\underset{\{x_p\}}{\text{maximize}} \quad (c - \lambda s)X$$

- Value of  $\lambda > 0$  chosen to prioritize throughput

# Choice of weighting factor $\lambda$

$$\underset{\{x_p\}}{\text{maximize}} \quad (c - \lambda s)X$$

↑  
prioritize this term

If  $X_2$  is better than  $X_1$  in terms of throughput we should not discard it because of delay, i.e. if

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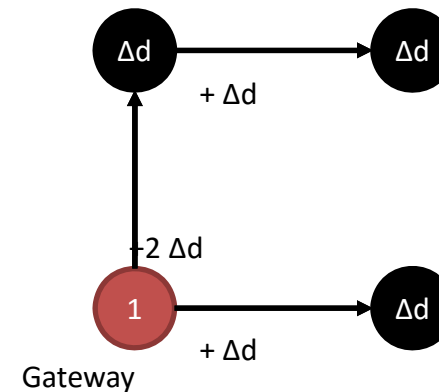
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$$cX_1 - \lambda sX_1 \leq cX_2 - \lambda sX_2$$

$$d_2 - d_1 > \lambda(sX_1 - sX_2)$$

Sufficient condition:

$$\lambda < \frac{1}{(N-1)L}$$



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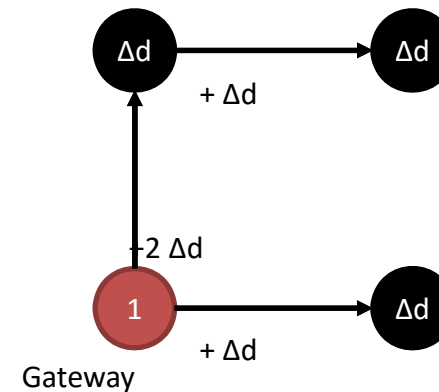
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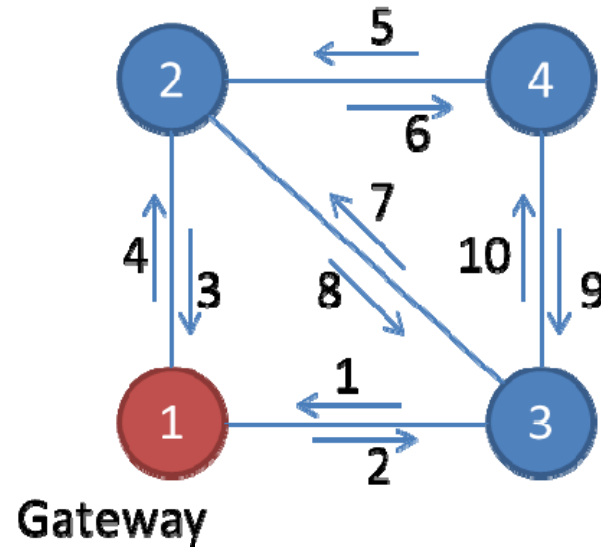
Sufficient condition:

$$\lambda < \frac{1}{\sum \alpha_i L}$$



# Formulation 2

- Prevents unnecessary link activation
- No throughput cost
- Is this the *minimal* solution..?



$$d = 1.7297 \text{ bps}$$

$$d / d_{link} = 0.5$$

| Link index                | 1 | 2        | 3 | 4        | 5 | 6        | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10       | %     |
|---------------------------|---|----------|---|----------|---|----------|---|---|---|----------|-------|
| Active subsets            | 0 | <b>1</b> | 0 | <b>1</b> | 0 | 0        | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0        | 57.02 |
|                           | 0 | <b>1</b> | 0 | 0        | 0 | <b>1</b> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0        | 17.98 |
|                           | 0 | 0        | 0 | <b>1</b> | 0 | 0        | 0 | 0 | 0 | <b>1</b> | 17.98 |
|                           | 0 | 0        | 0 | 0        | 0 | <b>1</b> | 0 | 0 | 0 | <b>1</b> | 7.02  |
| Total link activation (%) | 0 | 75       | 0 | 75       | 0 | 25       | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25       |       |

# Minimal solution

Problem can be rewritten as:

$$\text{maximize}_{\{x_P\}} \quad d = \min\{d_2, d_3, \dots, d_N\}$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \sum_{P \subset \{1, \dots, L\}} x_P = 1$$
$$\sum_{P \subset \{1, \dots, L\}} x_P \sum_{l \in P} r_{l,P} f_{li} - \alpha_i d \geq 0, \quad i = 2, \dots, N$$

$$d_i = \frac{1}{\alpha_i} \sum_{P \subset \{1, \dots, L\}} x_P \sum_{l \in P} r_{l,P} f_{li}, \quad i = 2, \dots, N$$

Caratheodory: optimal solution **exists** with allocation size  $\leq N$

-- not necessarily unique

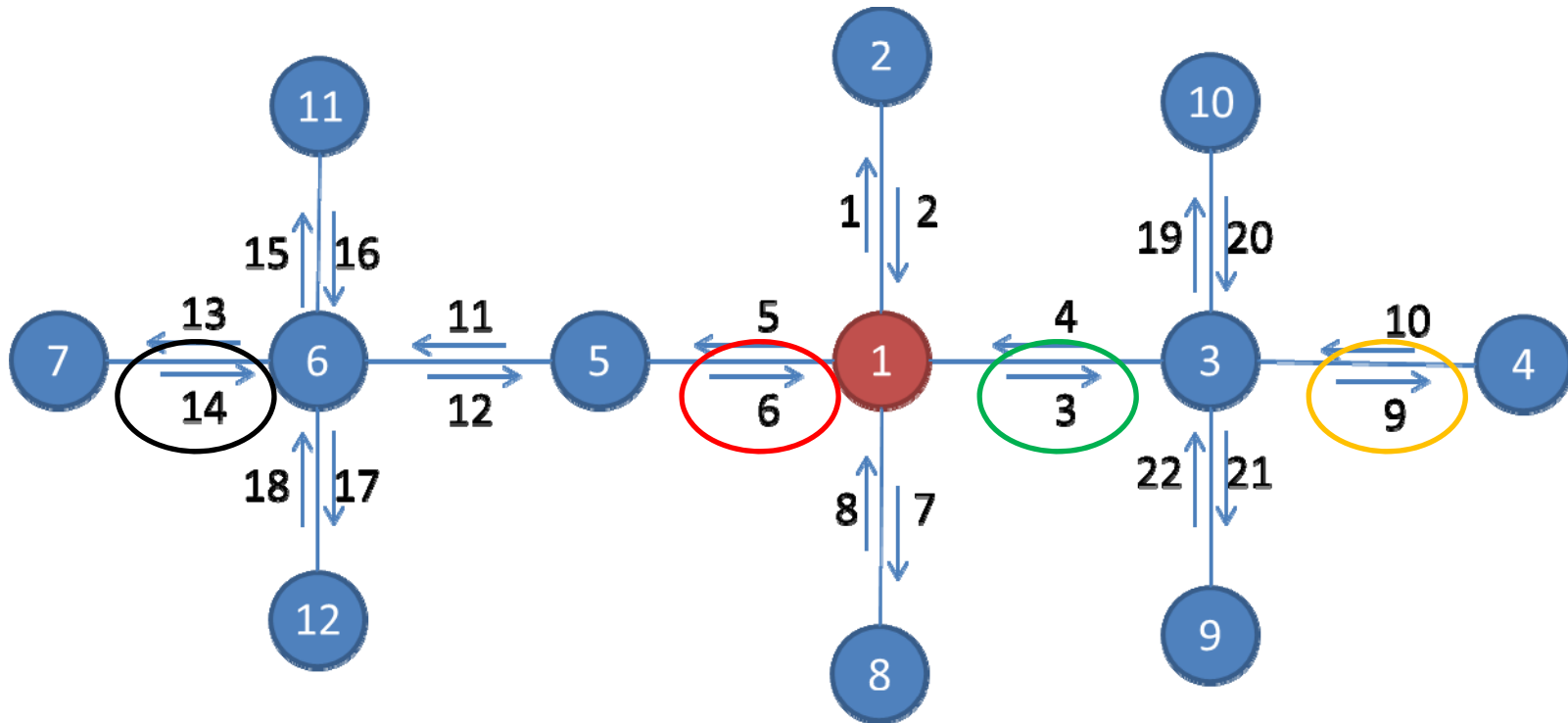
# Minimal allocation

- Resulting allocation not minimal
  - Sparse interference matrix, optimal solution not unique
- perturb interference matrix
- Optimize over resulting subsets for original problem
- Observed: allocation size  $\leq N$ 
  - Actual number depends on perturbation values

| Link index                | 1 | 2  | 3 | 4  | 5 | 6  | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | %  |
|---------------------------|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|---|---|----|----|
| Active subsets            | 0 | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 75 |
|                           | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1  | 25 |
| Total link activation (%) | 0 | 75 | 0 | 75 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 |    |

# Effect of aligned LOS interference

$$\alpha_i = 1 \quad \gamma_l = 10\text{dB}$$





# Effect of aligned LOS interference

Interference to signal ratio

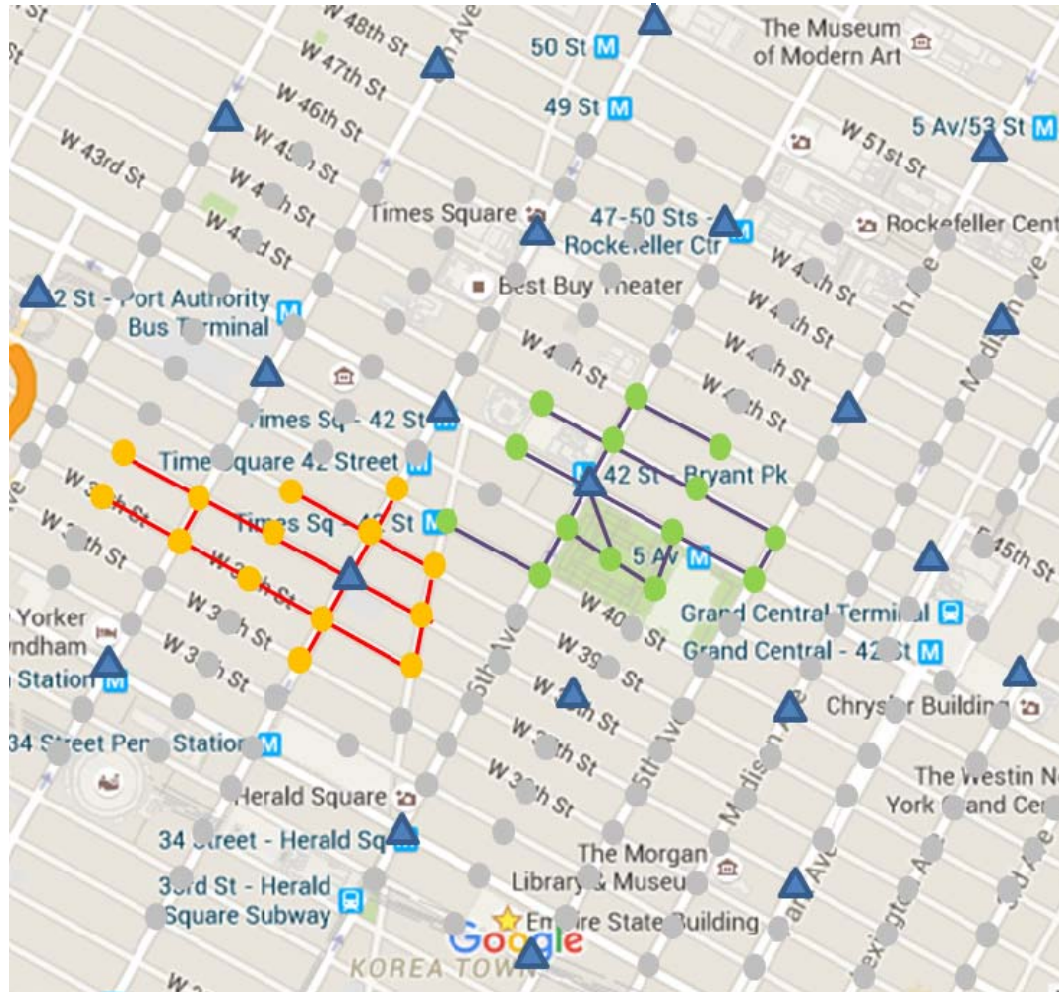
| Link # | 3        | 4            | 5          | 6          | 9        | 10           | 11       | 12           | 13       | 14           |
|--------|----------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| 3      | 0        | $\infty$     | 0          | $\infty$   | $\infty$ | 0            | 0        | <b>0.2</b>   | 0        | <b>0.125</b> |
| 4      | $\infty$ | 0            | $\infty$   | 0          | 0        | $\infty$     | 0        | 0            | 0        | 0            |
| 5      | 0        | $\infty$     | 0          | $\infty$   | 0        | <b>0.2</b>   | $\infty$ | 0            | 0        | 0            |
| 6      | $\infty$ | 0            | $\infty$   | 0          | 0        | 0            | 0        | $\infty$     | 0        | <b>0.2</b>   |
| 9      | $\infty$ | 0            | 0          | <b>0.2</b> | 0        | $\infty$     | 0        | <b>0.125</b> | 0        | <b>0.08</b>  |
| 10     | 0        | $\infty$     | 0          | 0          | $\infty$ | 0            | 0        | 0            | 0        | 0            |
| 11     | 0        | <b>0.2</b>   | $\infty$   | 0          | 0        | <b>0.125</b> | 0        | $\infty$     | $\infty$ | 0            |
| 12     | 0        | 0            | 0          | $\infty$   | 0        | 0            | $\infty$ | 0            | 0        | $\infty$     |
| 13     | 0        | <b>0.125</b> | <b>0.2</b> | 0          | 0        | <b>0.08</b>  | $\infty$ | 0            | 0        | $\infty$     |
| 14     | 0        | 0            | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0            | 0        | $\infty$     | $\infty$ | 0            |

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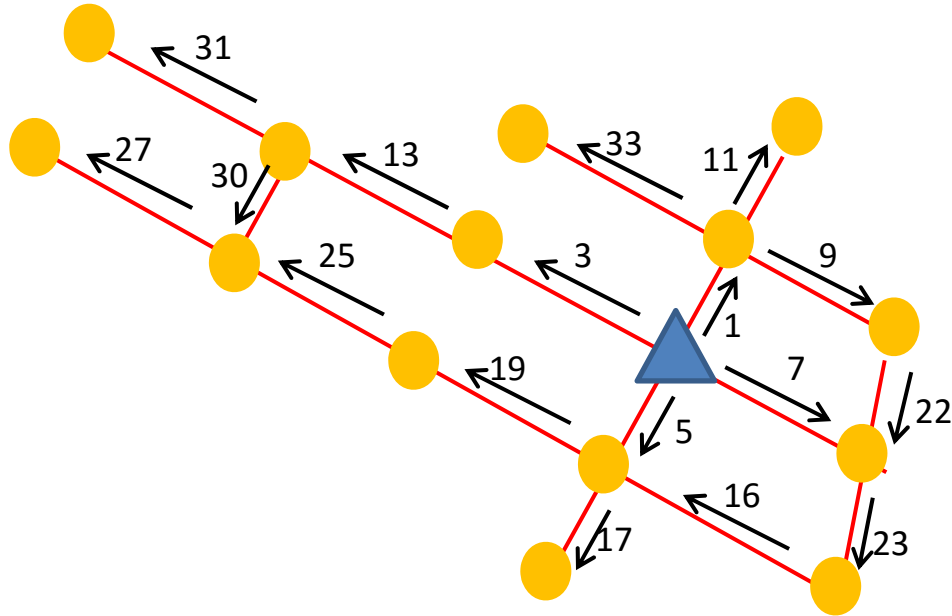
| With aligned interference                                    |              |
|--|--------------|
| Links in subset  | % allocation |
| 6  | 14.99        |
| 2,6  | 10.63        |
| 4,6  | 10.63        |
| 6,10   | 10.63        |
| 4,12   | 31.88        |
| 12,20  | 10.63        |
| 6,8,14,16,18,22  | 10.63        |
| <b>d=0.3676 bps, <math>d/d_{\text{link}} = 0.1063</math></b> |              |

| Without aligned interference                                 |              |
|--|--------------|
| Links in subset  | % allocation |
| 6  | 0.1111       |
| 4,6  | 0.1111       |
| 6,10   | 0.1111       |
| 4,12   | 0.2222       |
| 4,8,12   | 0.1111       |
| 6,14   | 0.1111       |
| 2,12,20  | 0.1111       |
| 6,16,18,22   | 0.1111       |
| <b>d=0.3844 bps, <math>d/d_{\text{link}} = 0.1111</math></b> |              |

# Results – New York City

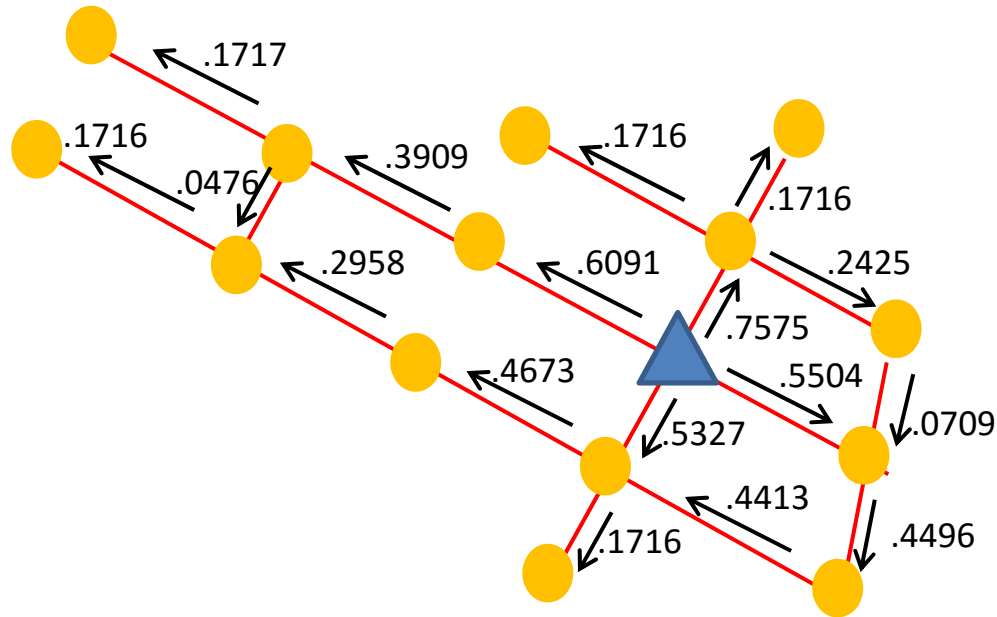


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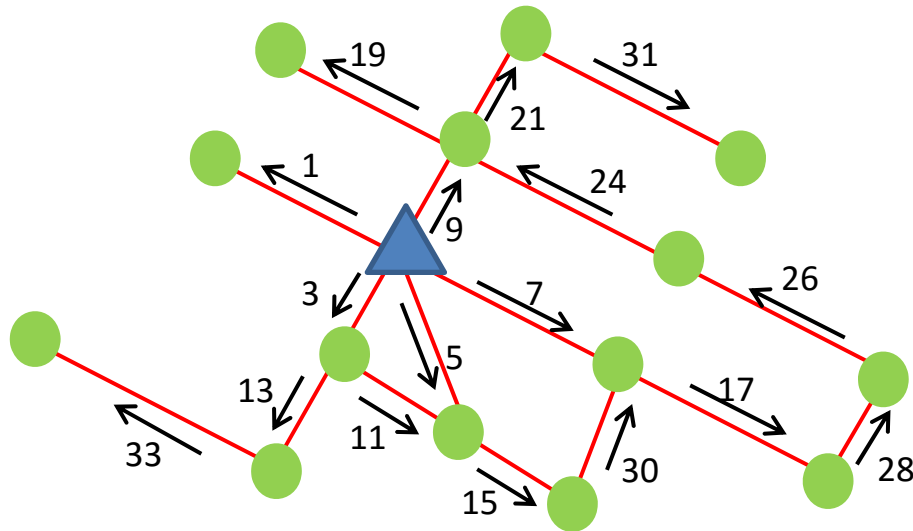
| Links in subset        | % allocation                                     |
|------------------------|--|
| 1,3,5,7,16,            | 3.27   |
| 3,7,9,11,17,19         | 1.21   |
| 1,3,5,7,16,22          | 3.26   |
| 1,3,7,17,19,22         | 0.56   |
| 1,13,19,23             | 29.57  |
| 3,9,11,17,19,23        | 5.87   |
| 1,13,17,19,23          | 9.52   |
| 1,3,5,7,25             | 9.14   |
| 1,3,5,7,16,22,25       | 3.27   |
| 1,3,5,7,16,27,33       | 17.16  |
| 3,5,7,9,16,25,31       | 7.09   |
| 3,5,7,9,11,16,25,31    | 5.32   |
| 3,5,7,9,11,16,25,30,31 | 4.76   |
| <b>d=0.5938 bps,</b>   | <b>d/d<sub>link</sub> = 0.1716</b> <sup>53</sup> |

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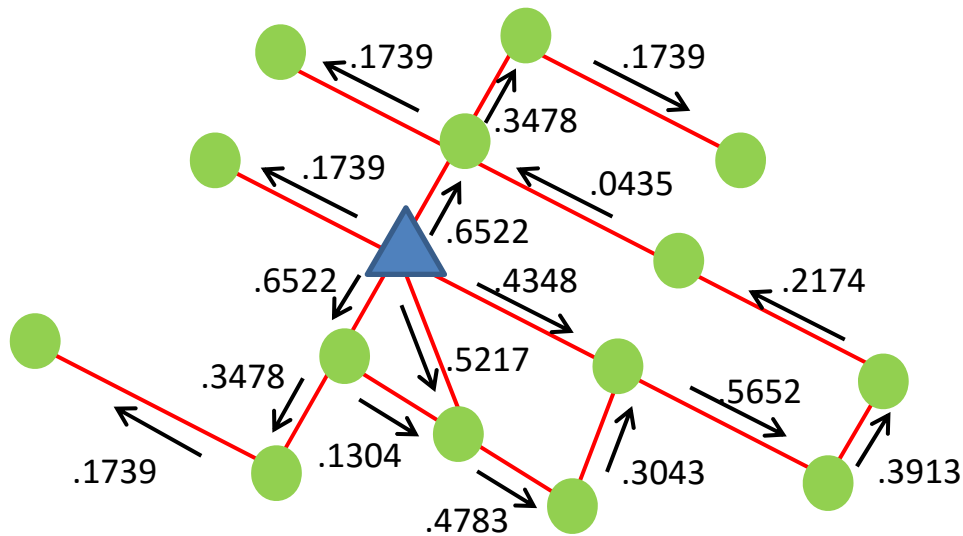
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→ 500Mbps per-node rate
- 10-20 Gbps link data rate  
→ 1-2Gbps per-node rate

| Links in subset                                       | % allocation |
|---|--------------|
| 3,5,7,9   | 0.0435       |
| 1,3,5,9,17  | 0.1304       |
| 3,9,15,17,31,33                                       | 0.1739       |
| 1,3,9,15,17   | 0.0435       |
| 3,9,15,17,26  | 0.2174       |
| 7,13,15,21,28   | 0.0435       |
| 3,5,7,24,28   | 0.0435       |
| 5,7,13,21,28,30                                       | 0.1304       |
| 5,7,13,19,21,28,30                                    | 0.0435       |
| 5,7,11,13,19,21,28,30                                 | 0.1304       |
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| 3,9,15,17,26  | 0.2174       |
| 7,13,15,21,28   | 0.0435       |
| 3,5,7,24,28   | 0.0435       |
| 5,7,13,21,28,30                                       | 0.1304       |
| 5,7,13,19,21,28,30                                    | 0.0435       |
| 5,7,11,13,19,21,28,30                                 | 0.1304       |
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# Millimeter wave picocells: Interference analysis and capacity

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# Mm-wave enables aggressive spatial reuse

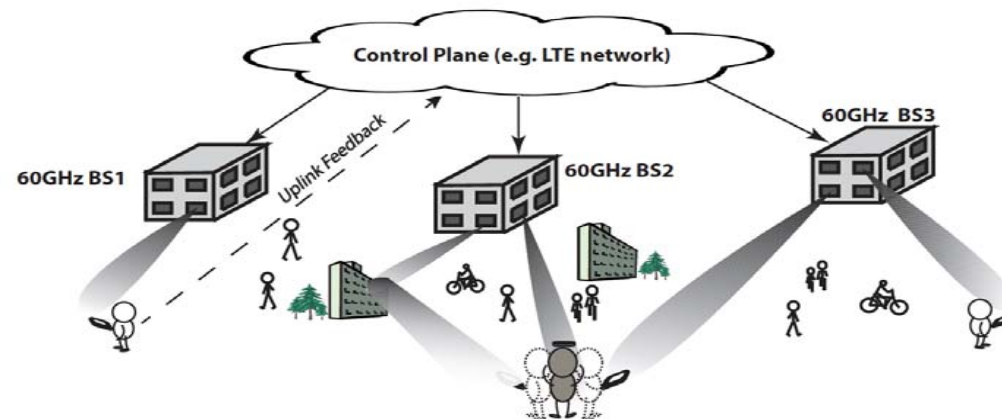
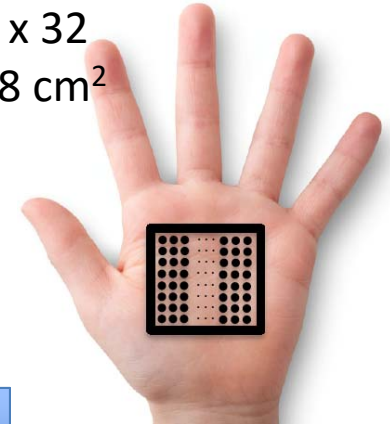
Large arrays in small form factors

Directive links

Limited interference

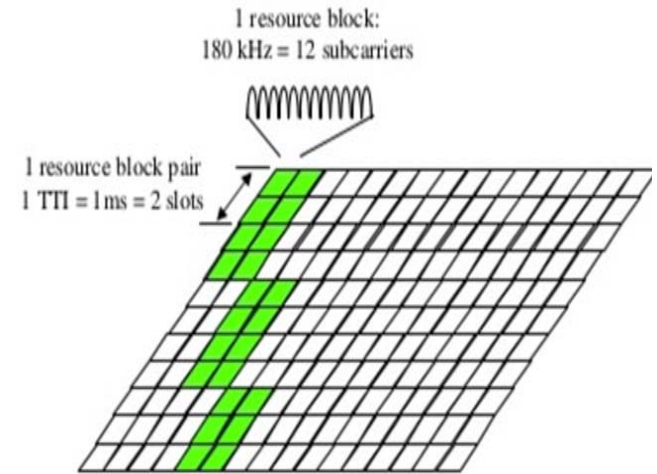
Dense cells / much higher spatial reuse

32 x 32  
8 x 8 cm<sup>2</sup>



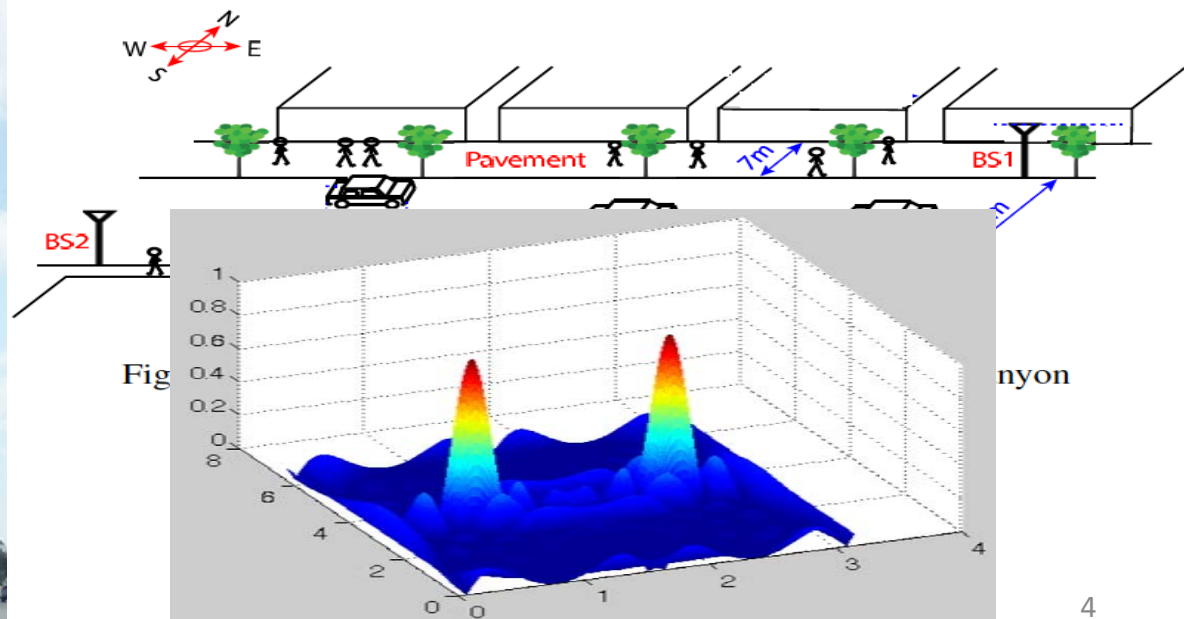
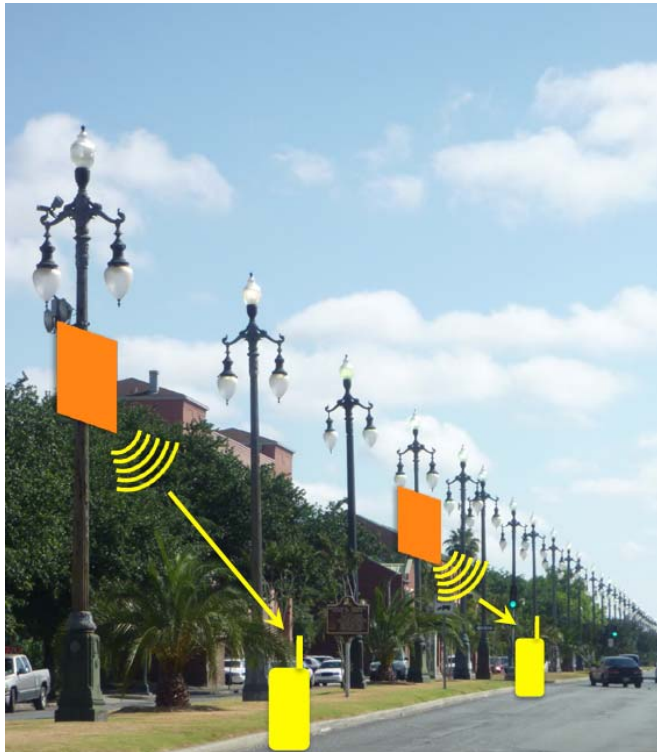
# Exploiting *space*

- LTE resource blocks (OFDMA):
  - Time - frequency
- Mmwave Resource blocks:
  - Time - frequency - *space*
- Increased spatial reuse is always an option, but:
  - In LTE: Increase in spatial reuse → decrease in spectral efficiency (due to interference)
  - In mm-wave: Directive links allows increased spatial reuse without loss in spectral efficiency



# Big picture

- Interference characterization and capacity estimate for mm-wave
- **Geometric** interference analysis tailored to urban canyon



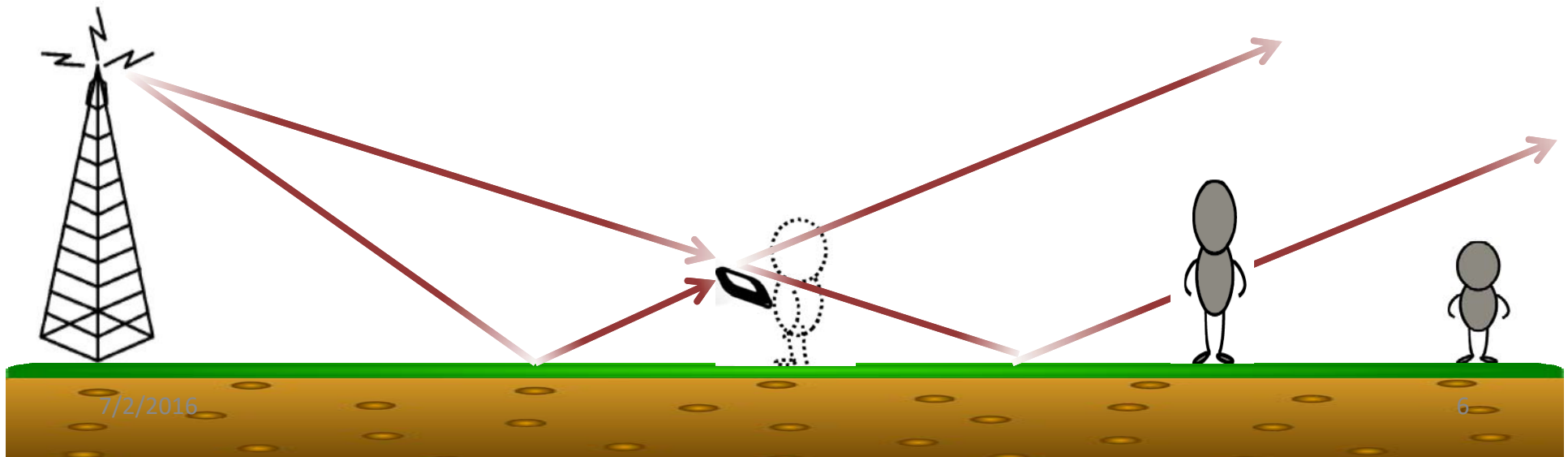
# Key results

- Interference is not a big problem
  - Main lobe interference vanishes after a few cells
  - Side lobe interference is relatively small

➔ Hardware/noise limited performance attainable with minimal coordination among base stations

# Main lobe interference model

- For large antenna arrays, main lobe is well modeled by a single ray.



# Main lobe interference escapes upward

- The main beam from a face creates interference for at most  $N_{max}$  adjacent BSs in the direction it is facing.

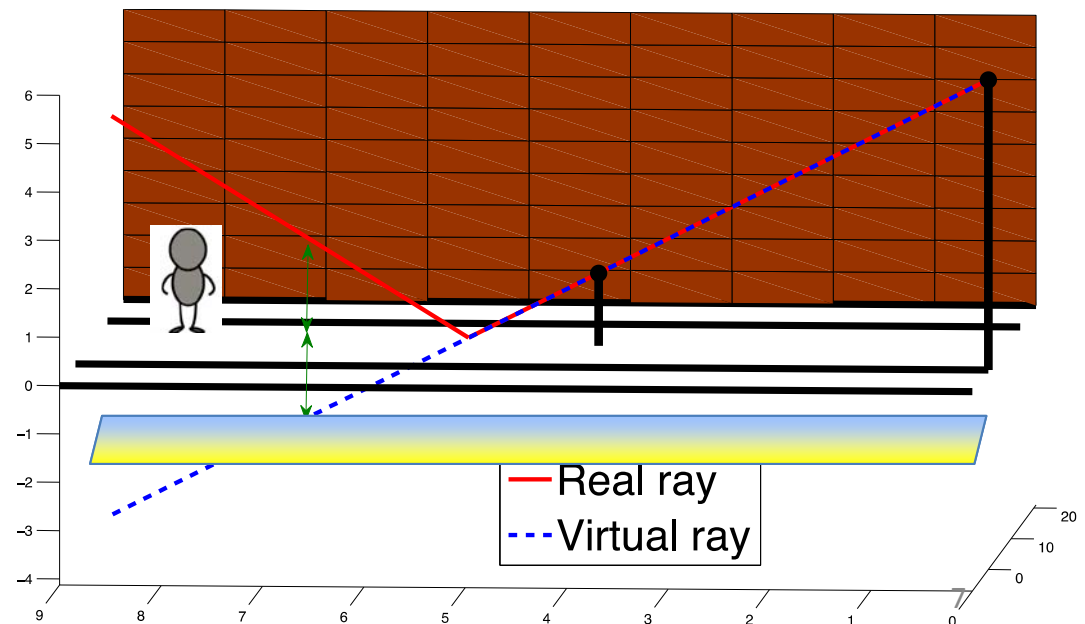
$$N_{max} = \left\lceil \frac{H_{BS} + h_{max}}{H_{BS} - h_{max}} \right\rceil$$

$$H_{BS} = 6m$$

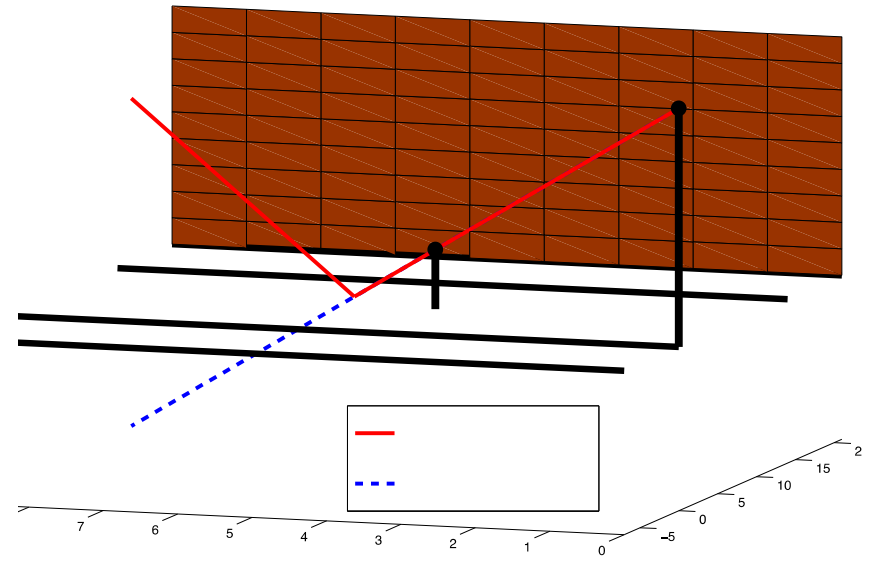
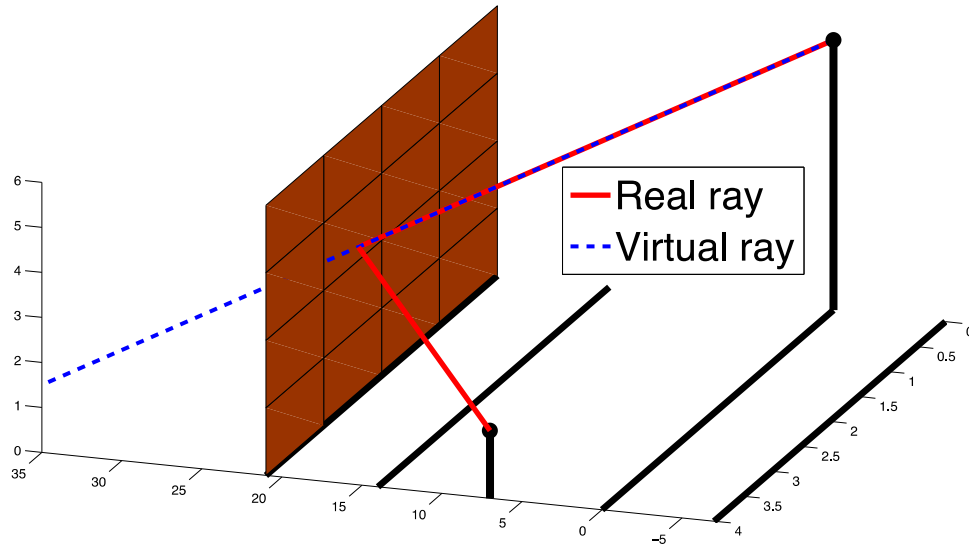
$$h_{max} = 2m$$

$$N_{max} = 2$$

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# Proof:



$$X = \frac{a}{c} (z - H_{BS}) \Big|_{z = -h_{max}} = \frac{u}{c} (-h_{max} - H_{BS})$$

|     | LoS                              | NLoS1                            | NLoS2                            | NLoS3                            |
|-----|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| $a$ | $X_u - \frac{a}{c} (z - H_{BS})$ | $X_u - \frac{a}{c} (z - H_{BS})$ | $X_u - \frac{a}{c} (z - H_{BS})$ | $X_u - \frac{a}{c} (z - H_{BS})$ |
| $c$ | $Z_u - H_{BS}$                   | $Z_u - H_{BS}$                   | $Z_u - H_{BS}$                   | $-Z_u - H_{BS}$                  |

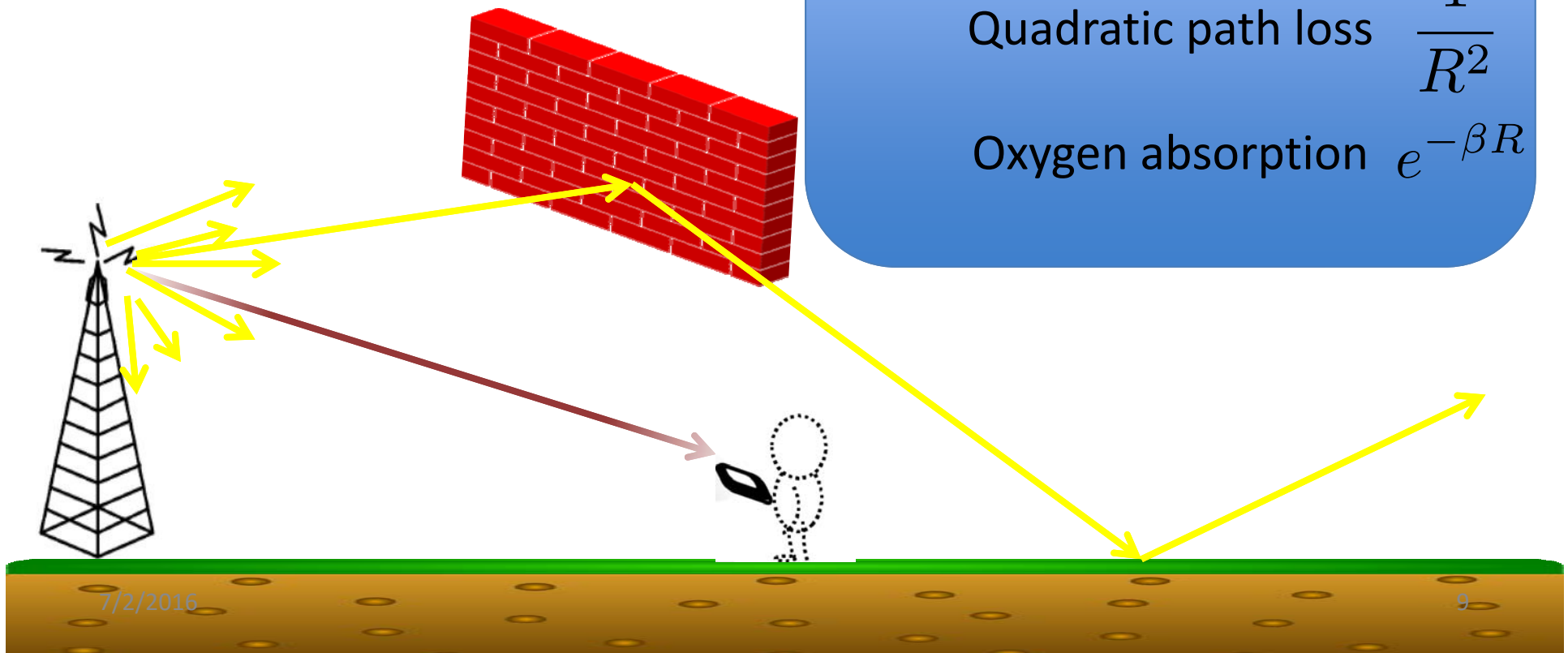
# Side lobe interference

Antenna's attenuation

Reflection loss

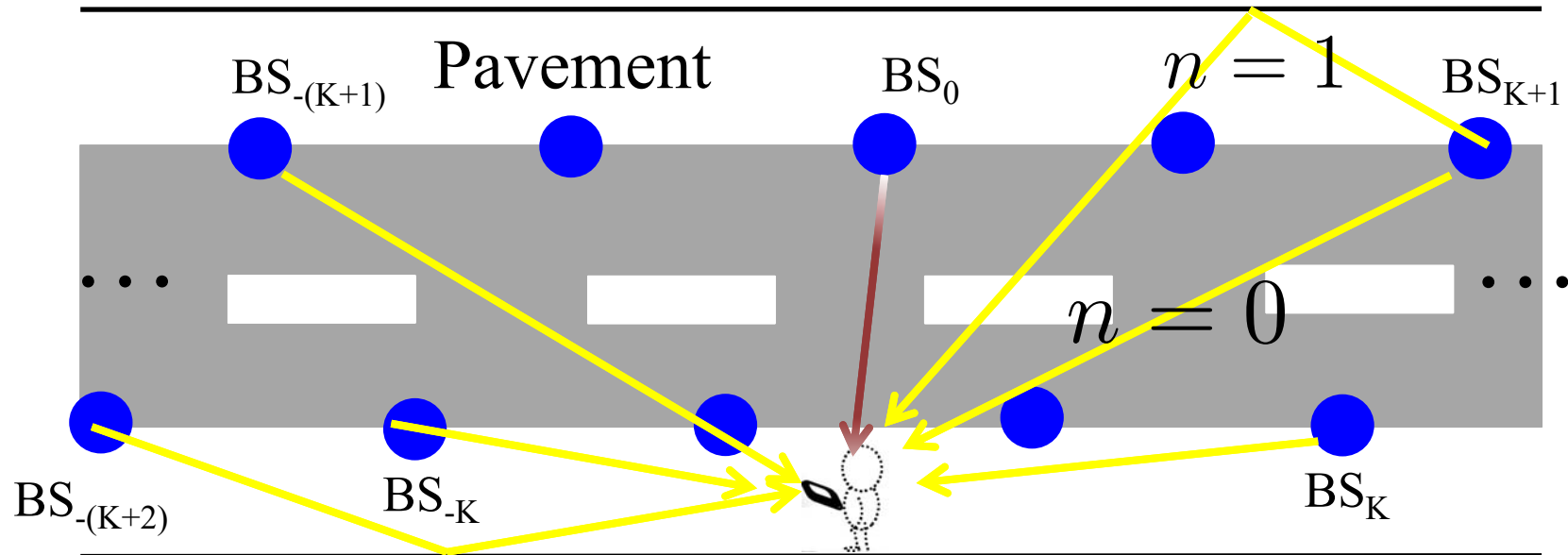
Quadratic path loss  $\frac{1}{R^2}$

Oxygen absorption  $e^{-\beta R}$



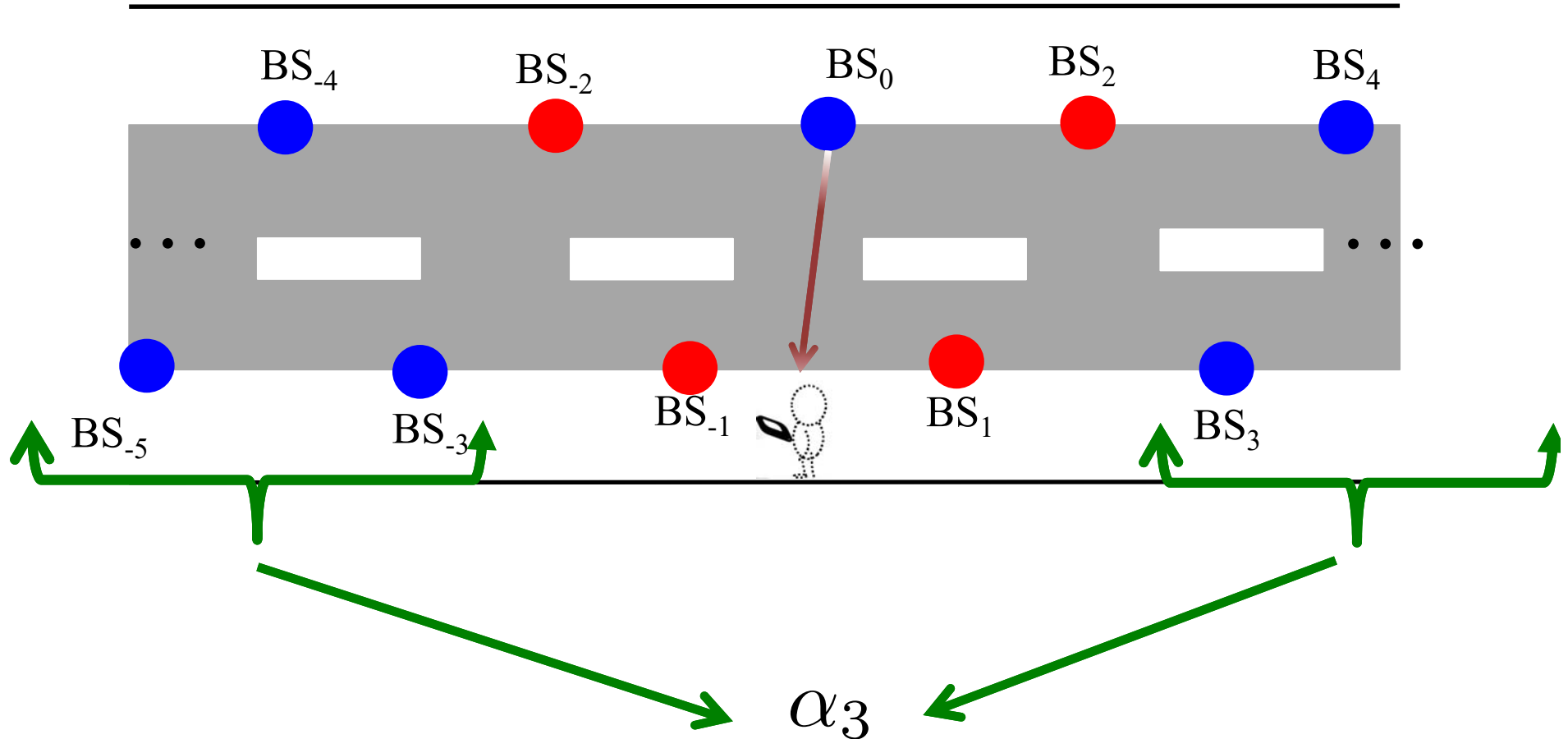


# Side lobe interference



$$\alpha_K = \frac{\sum_{k=-\infty}^K I_k + \sum_{k=K}^{\infty} I_k}{P} < C e^{-\beta K d}$$

# Side lobe interference



derivation:

$$\alpha_K = \frac{\sum_{k=K}^{\infty} I_k + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-K} I_k}{P}$$

$$I_k = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_{k,n}$$

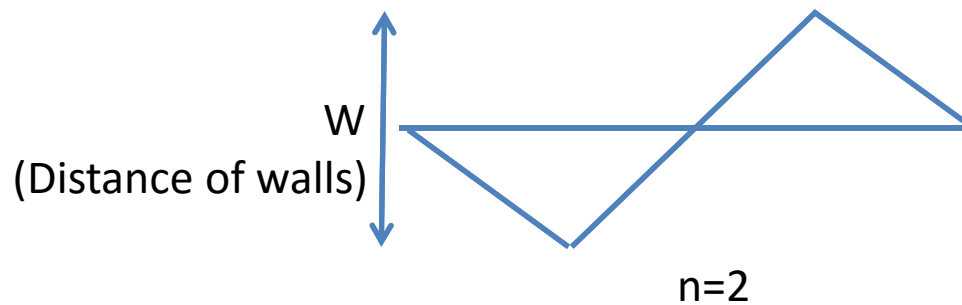
$$I_{k,n} \approx N_n P_{Tx} (g_{Tx})_{k,n} (g_{Rx})_{k,n} \left( \frac{\lambda}{4\pi r_{k,n}} \right)^2 e^{-\beta r_{k,n}} \left( \frac{1}{l_{k,n}} \right)^n$$

# Path lengths

$$r_{k,n} = 2n \sqrt{\left(\frac{r_{k,0}}{2n}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{W}{2}\right)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{r_{k,0}^2 + n^2 W^2}$$

$$r_{k,n}^2 \cong r_{k,0}^2 + n^2 W^2$$

$$r_{k,0} \cong kd$$

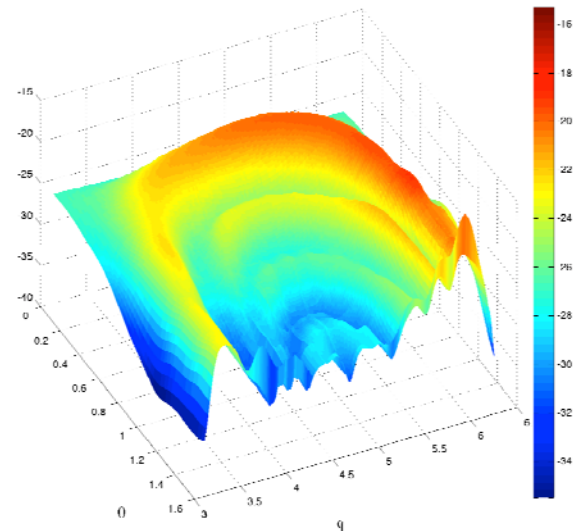


# Proof: (cont)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\alpha_K}{\sum_{k=K}^{\infty} I_k} &= \frac{\sum_{k=K}^{\infty} I_k}{P} = \sum_{k=K}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( N_n \frac{(g_{Tx})_{k,n} (g_{Rx})_{k,n}}{G_{Tx} G_{Rx}} \left( \frac{r_{max}}{r_{k,n}} \right)^2 \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{A r_{max}^2}{P} e^{-\beta r_{max}} \sum_{k=K}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{(l_{k,n})^n} \right) \left( \frac{1}{(kd)^2 + (nW)^2} \right) \\
 &< 4 \sum_{k=K}^{\infty} e^{-\beta kd} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(l_{min})^n} \\
 &= 4 \frac{e^{-\beta Kd}}{1 - e^{-\beta d}} \frac{l_{min}}{l_{min} - 1}
 \end{aligned}$$

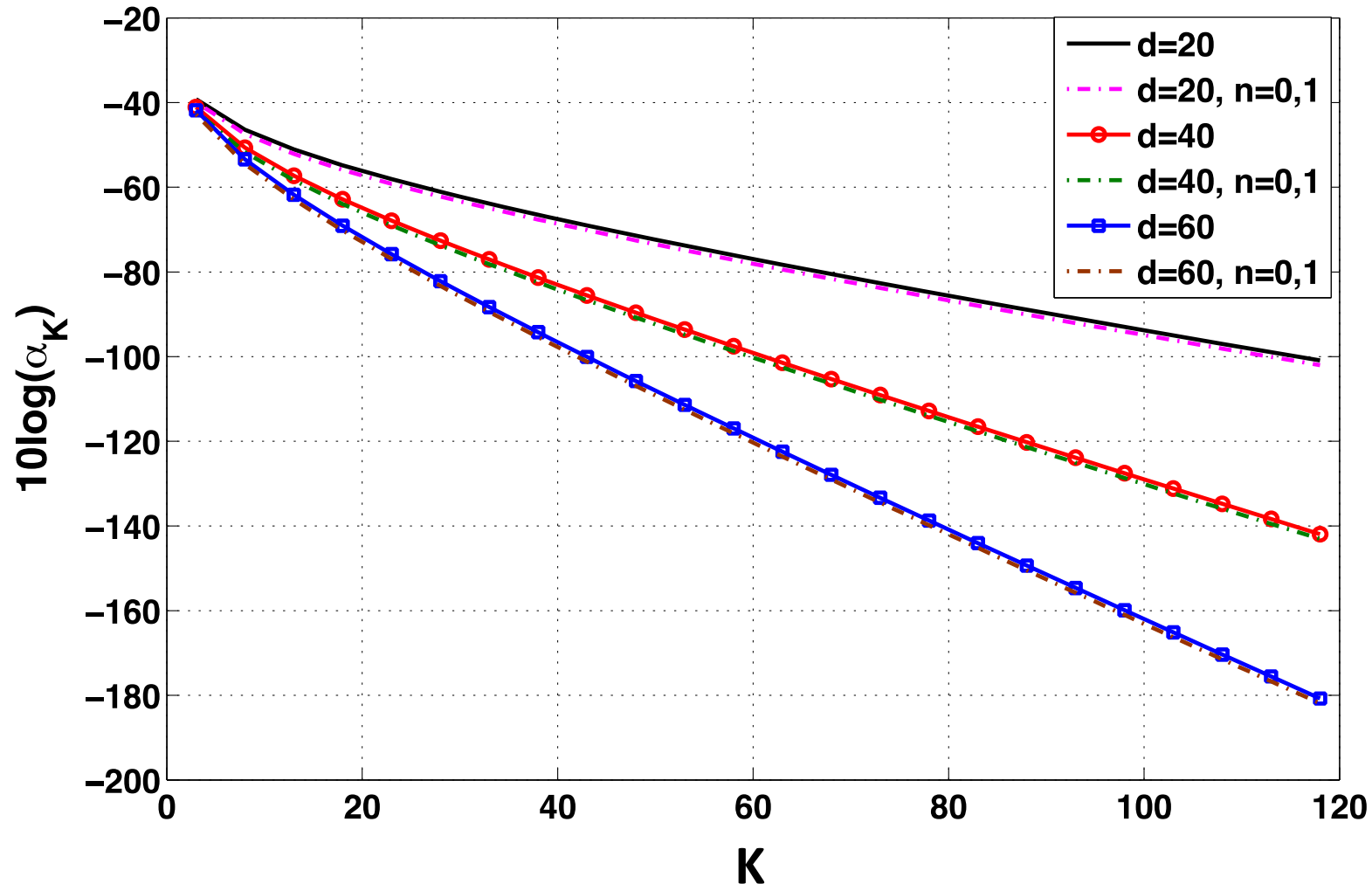
# Assumptions

- Reasonable approximations for path lengths
- Reflection loss of 5 dB
- Tx:  $32 \times 32$  and Rx:  $4 \times 4$
- For  $K > 3$  where Tx antenna gain could only be in side lobe levels.



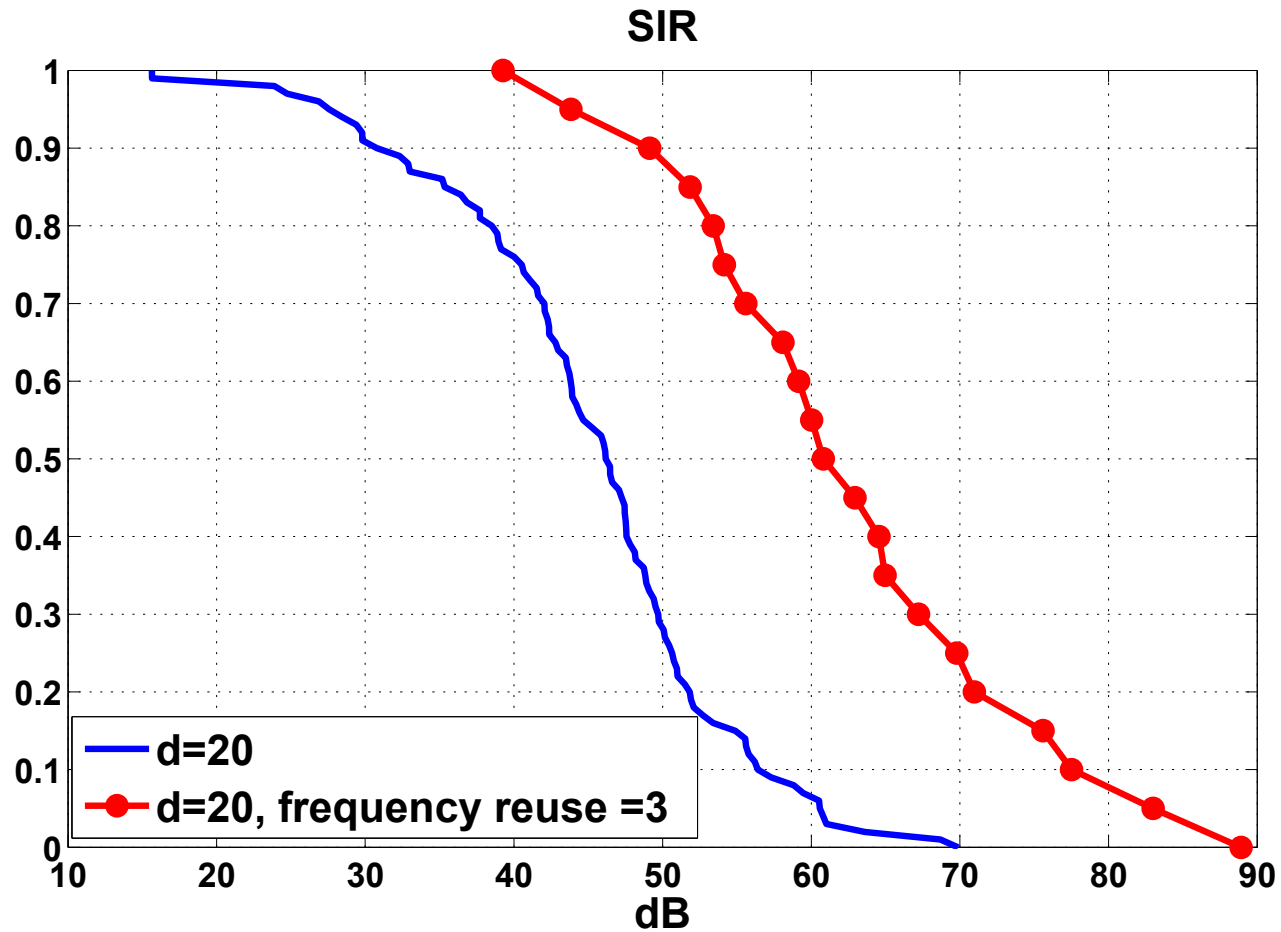
# $\alpha_K$ : Cumulative sidelobe interference/signal ratio

$T_x: 32 \times 32, R_x: 4 \times 4$



**Beyond the region of mainlobe interference ( $K > 2$ )  
side-lobe interference is insignificant**

# CCDF of SIR



**Simulation results justify our predictions of more than 40dB SIR by FR=3**



# Data rate limited by hardware, not interference

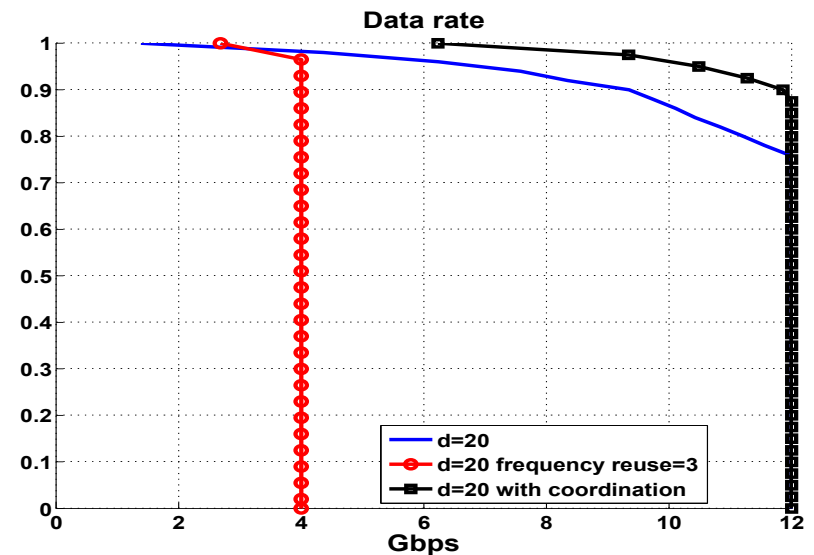
1. FR=1 (blue)
2. FR=1 with minimal coordination (black)
3. FR=3 (red)

$$r = \frac{1}{F} \min(r_{max}, \log(1 + SINR))$$
$$r_{max} = 6 \text{ bps/Hz} \quad (64QAM)$$

1.2 Tbps/km (BW = 2 GHz)

The potential capacity is huge!

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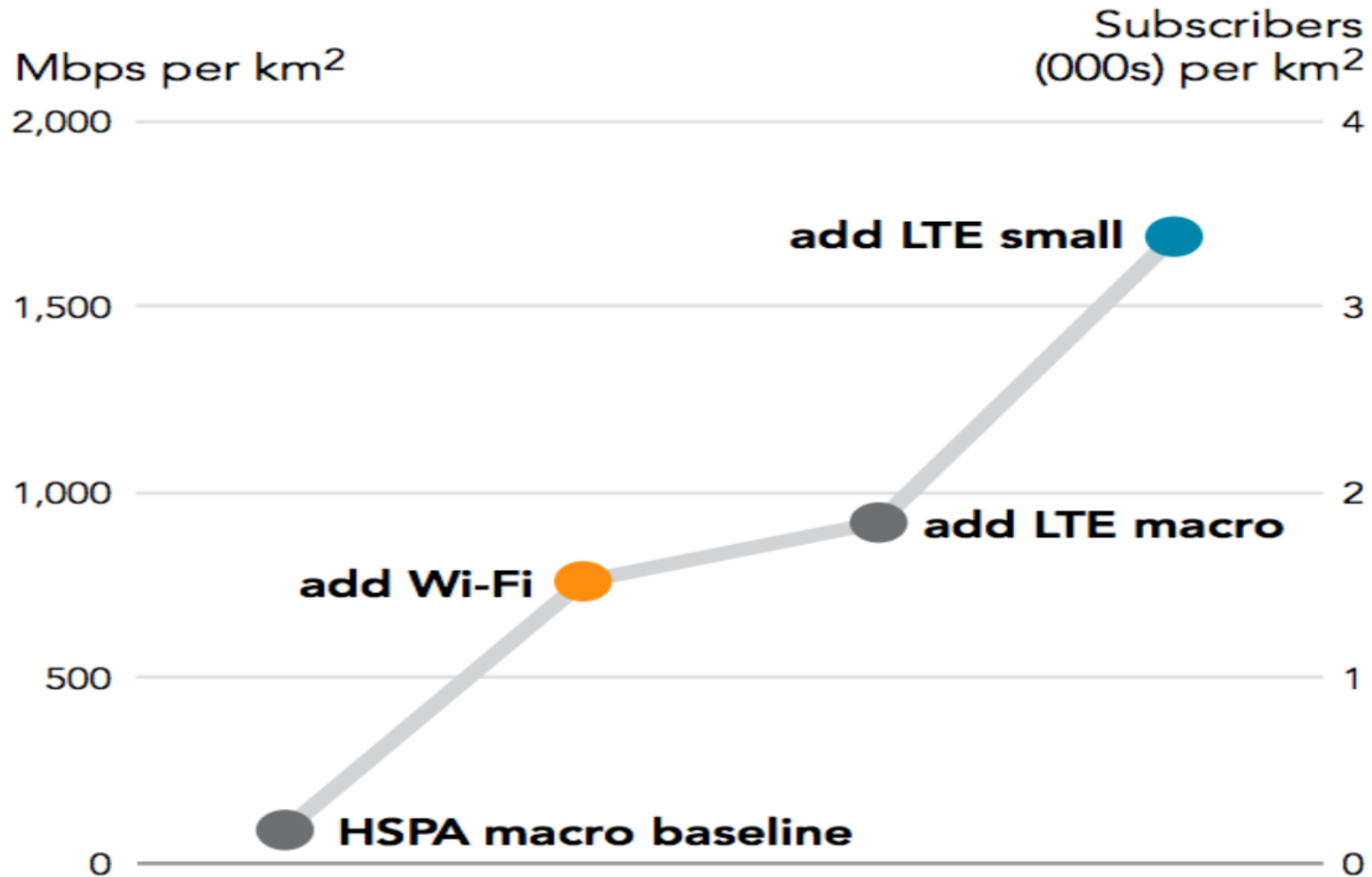
# **POTENTIAL CAPACITY GAINS OVER CONVENTIONAL CELLULAR NETWORKS**

# **LTE DOWNLINK CAPACITY**

| Operator              | Carrier and BW  | Capacity / km <sup>2</sup> |
|-----------------------|---|----------------------------|
| LTE Operator 1        | 1 x 10 MHz @ 800 MHz<br>1 x 5 MHz @ 900 MHz<br>1 x 20 MHz @ 1800 MHz<br>2 x 5 MHz @ 2100 MHz<br>1 x 20 MHz @ 2600 MHz | 156 Mbps                   |
| LTE Operator 2        | 1 x 10 MHz @ 800 MHz<br>1 x 5 MHz @ 900 MHz<br>1 x 10 MHz @ 1800 MHz<br>3 x 5 MHz @ 2100 MHz<br>1 x 20 MHz @ 2600 MHz | 120 Mbps                   |
| LTE Operator 3        | 1 x 10 MHz @ 1800 MHz<br>4 x 5 MHz @ 2100 MHz<br>1 x 20 MHz @ 2600 MHz  | 120 Mbps                   |
| LTE Operator 4        | 1 x 5 MHz @ 900 MHz<br>1 x 10 MHz @ 1800 MHz<br>3 x 5 MHz @ 2100 MHz<br>1 x 20 MHz @ 2600 MHz                         | 120 Mbps                   |
| LTE Advanced operator | 1 x 40 MHz @ 3.5 GHz  | 96 Mbps                    |
| Total                 | 255 MHz   | 612 Mbps                   |

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**FIGURE 1:** Total RAN Capacity Density

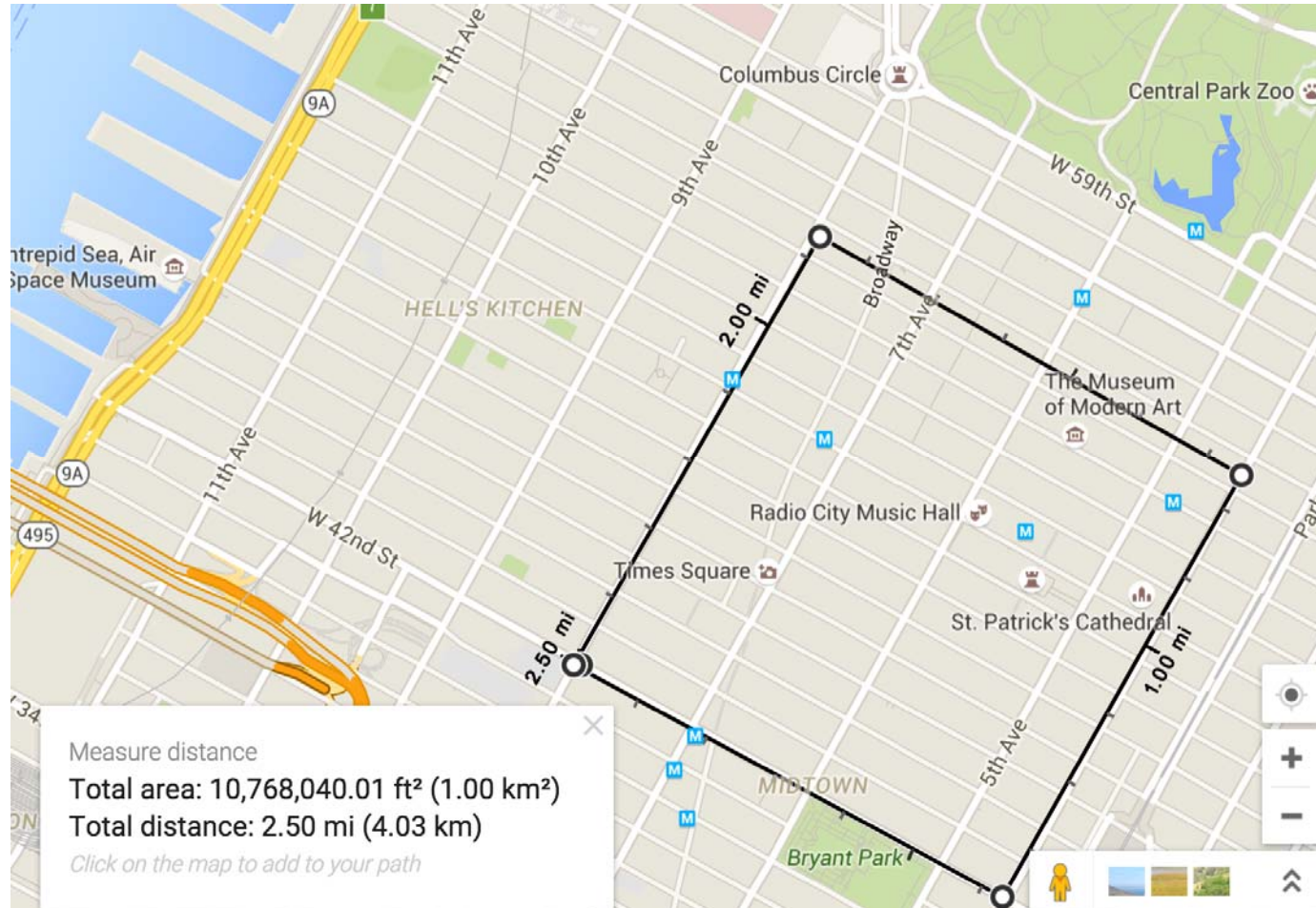


Dealing with Density: The Move to Small-Cell Architectures ruckus wireless, Ruckus wireless, white paper

# Achievable capacity along a canyon (Gbps/km) in mm-wave cellular

| Tx array | d=100 (m)    |              |              | d=20 (m)      |               |               |
|----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|          | QPSK         | 16 QAM       | 64 QAM       | QPSK          | 16 QAM        | 64 QAM        |
| 8 x 8    | 80<br>(60%)  | 160<br>(30%) | 240<br>(20%) | 400<br>(100%) | 800<br>(100%) | 1200<br>(88%) |
| 32 x 32  | 80<br>(100%) | 160<br>(90%) | 240<br>(70%) | 400<br>(100%) | 800<br>(100%) | 1200<br>(90%) |

# 1 km<sup>2</sup> in Manhattan ~ 15 canyons



# Capacity per unit area

| Measure                    | LTE        | mmwave                     | Gain     |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------------------|----------|
| Bandwidth                  | 255 MHz    | 2 GHz                      | ~8x      |
| Capacity / km <sup>2</sup> | < 1.5 Gbps | 18 Tbps<br>(15 × 1.2 Tbps) | ~12,000x |
|                            |            | 1.2 Tbps<br>(15 × 80 Gbps) | ~800x    |
| Spatial reuse              | -          | -                          | ~1500x   |
|                            |            |                            | ~100x    |

Well beyond Cellular 1000X is achievable (in principle)

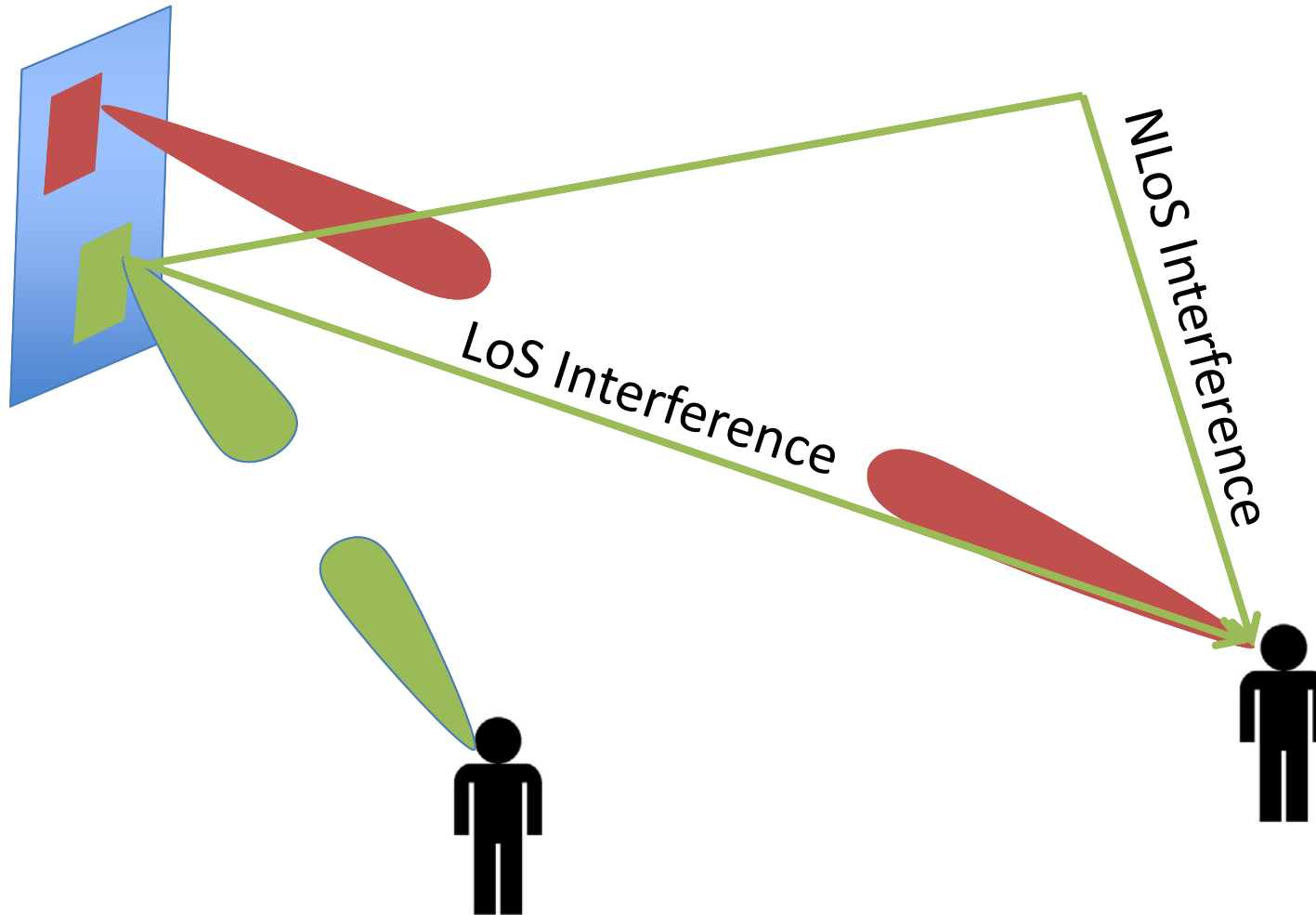


# Take-aways

- Geometric analysis with some idealizations
  - **Assuming everything works, we can even get to Cellular 10000X!**
- Design implications:
  - **hardware** rather than **interference/noise** is the bottleneck even as we scale down cell size
  - Orthogonalization is wasteful when links are so highly directive
  - Coordination with nearby picocells is important

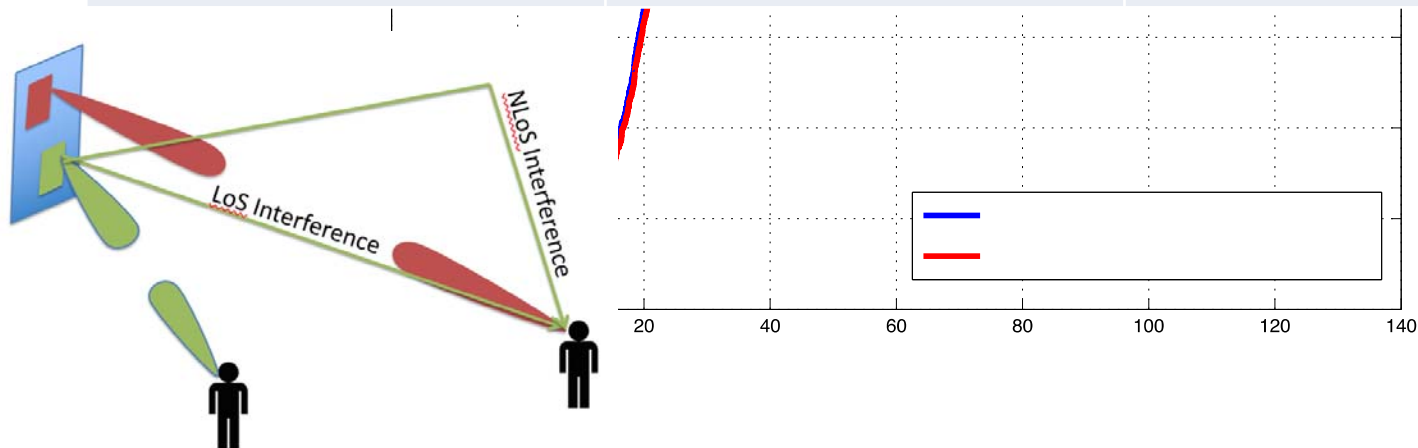
# **INTRA-CELL INTERFERENCE (FUTURE WORK)**

# Interference characterization



# LoS vs. NLoS intra-cell interference

| Factors         | LoS interference | NLoS interference |
|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Path loss       | ✗                | ✓                 |
| Rx gain         | ✗                | ✓                 |
| Reflection loss | ✗                | ✓                 |
| Tx gain         | ✓                | ✓                 |

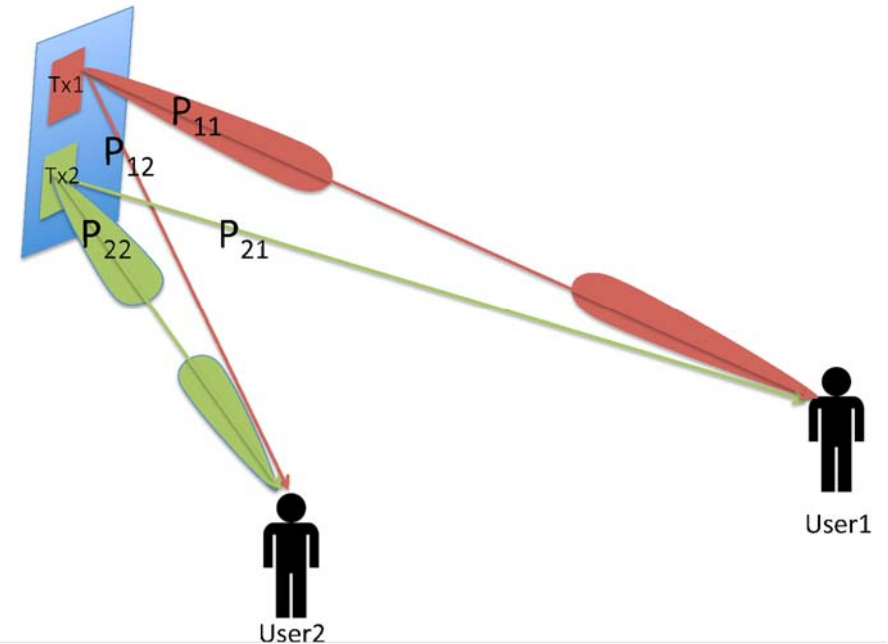


# SIR characterization

$$SIR_{u2} = \frac{P_{22}lG_{Rx}}{P_{12}lg_{Rx}}$$

$$\text{Signal to null ratio for Tx1} = \frac{P_{11}}{P_{12}}$$

$$SIR_{u2} \geq \text{Signal to null ratio for Tx1}$$



# Null-forming

## ZF Problem

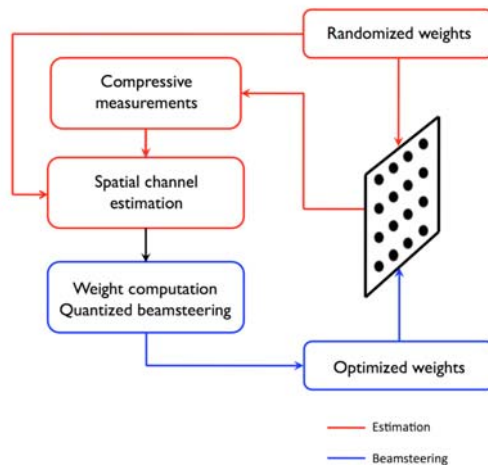
$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\phi} |\phi^H \mathbf{x}_t(\omega_0)|^2 \\ & \text{subject to: } \|\phi\|^2 = 1 \\ & \phi^H \mathbf{x}_t(\omega_q) = 0 \quad q = 1, \dots, Q \end{aligned}$$

$$P = |\phi^H \mathbf{x}_t(\omega)|^2$$

## Quantized Algorithm

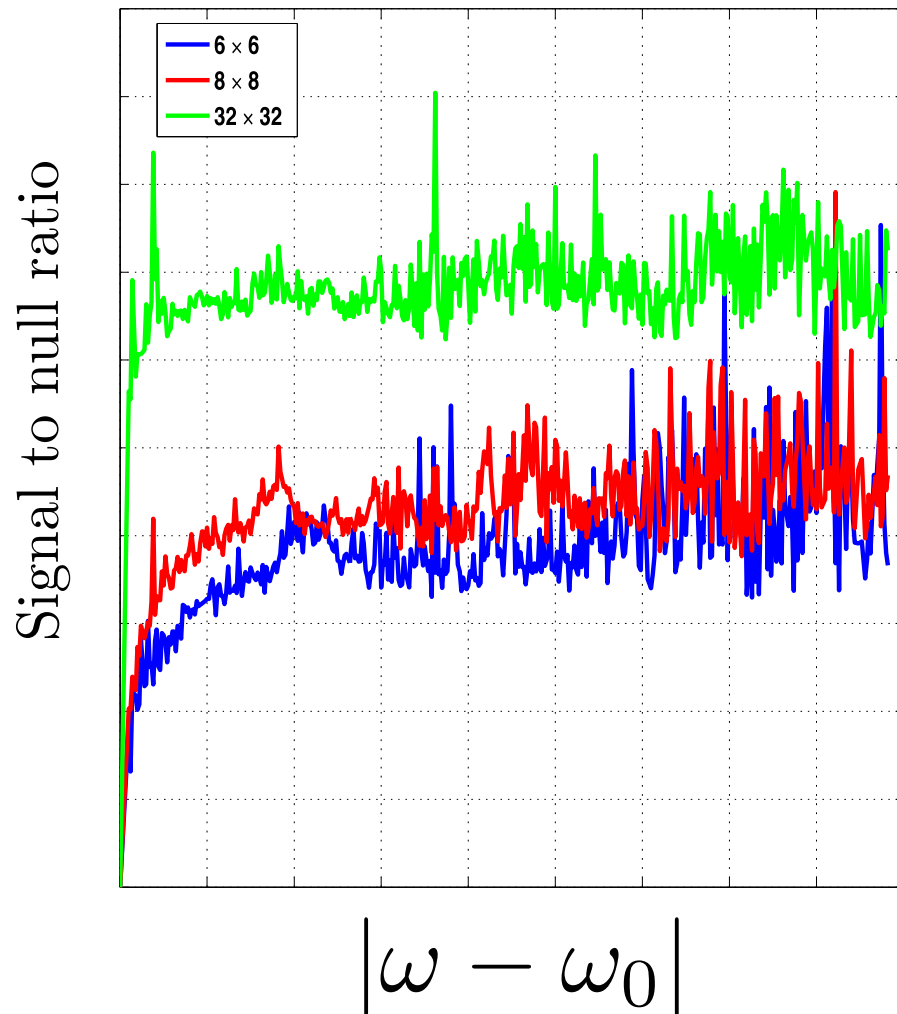
$$\text{maximize } \gamma = \frac{P(\omega_0)}{\sum_{q=1}^Q P(\omega_q)}$$

$$\text{Subject to: } \phi_i \in \{\pm 1 \pm j\}$$

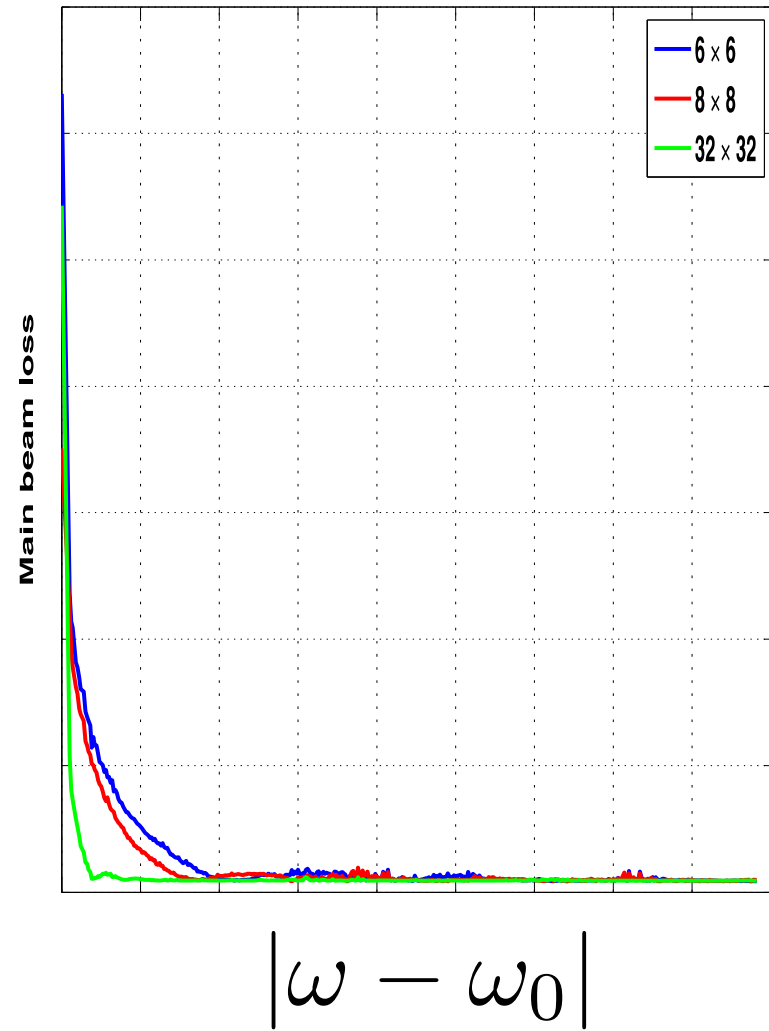


# Preliminary simulation results

Signal to null ratio



Main beam loss



# Millimeter wave References and Open Issues

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## Open Issues

- Hybrid analog/digital signal processing architectures and
- algorithms (design and evaluation under different channel
  - models)
- Fundamental limits under abstractions of hardware
  - constraints
    - Distributed architectures
    - Hardware demonstrations

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- Demonstrating compressive estimation for large arrays experimentally (beamforming, nullforming, tracking)
- Hybrid transceiver architectures, multi-user MIMO

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## **Open Issues**

Demonstrating compressive picocell architecture experimentally

Abstractions for protocol design and evaluation

Base station coordination, handoffs, end-to-end performance

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Comprehensive design and evaluation for picocellular backhaul and last mile applications

Tractable optimization framework and interference/propagation models

Architectures and evaluation for novel system concepts (e.g., drones, satellites)

Analytical characterization and optimization of decentralized mesh networks

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Fundamental characterization of short-range delay/Doppler imaging

Design and evaluation in specific contexts: gesture recognition,  
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Interface with machine learning algorithms

Prototyping and experimental validation

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## Open issues

Fundamental limits and architectures for various settings

-- mm-wave MIMO with large bandwidths

--low-power, short range links

Hardware demonstrations