



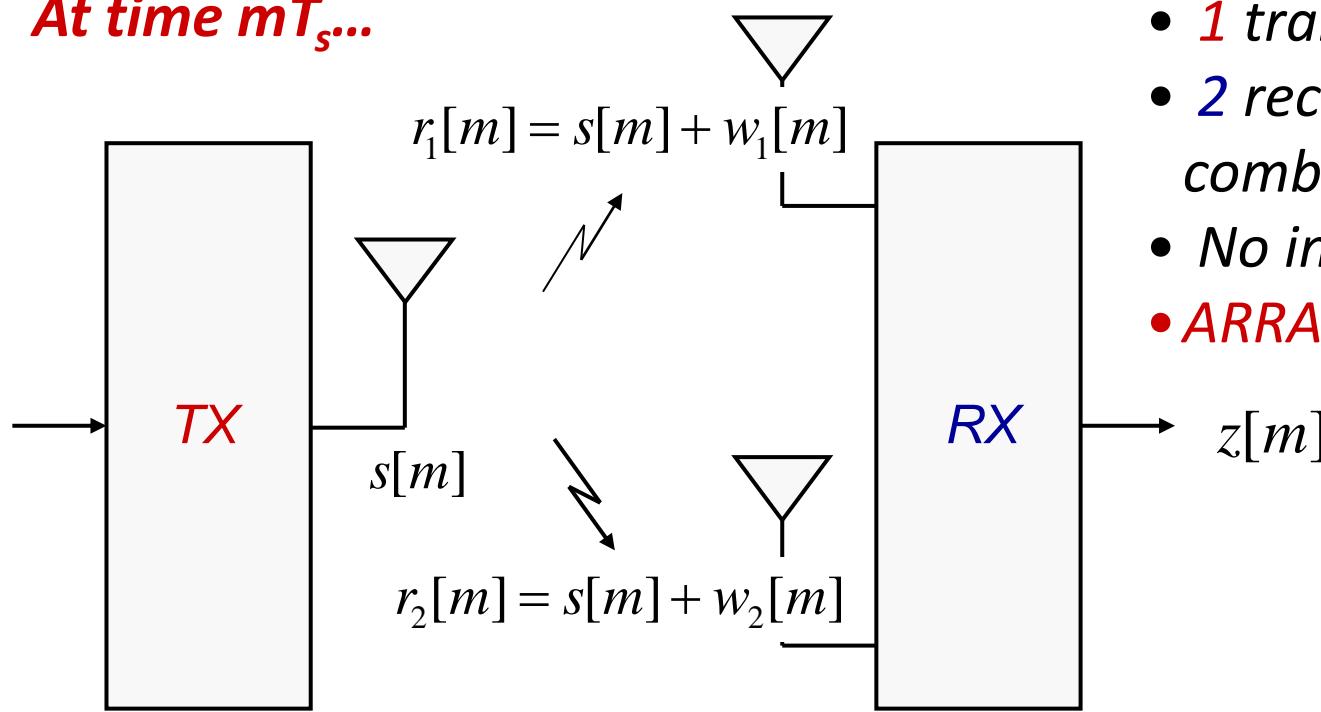
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Multiantenna Systems 1: Reception Diversity

At time mT_s ...



- **1 transmitting antenna**
- **2 receiving antennas with combining**
- **No increase in bit-rate**
- **ARRAY Gain = 3 dB**

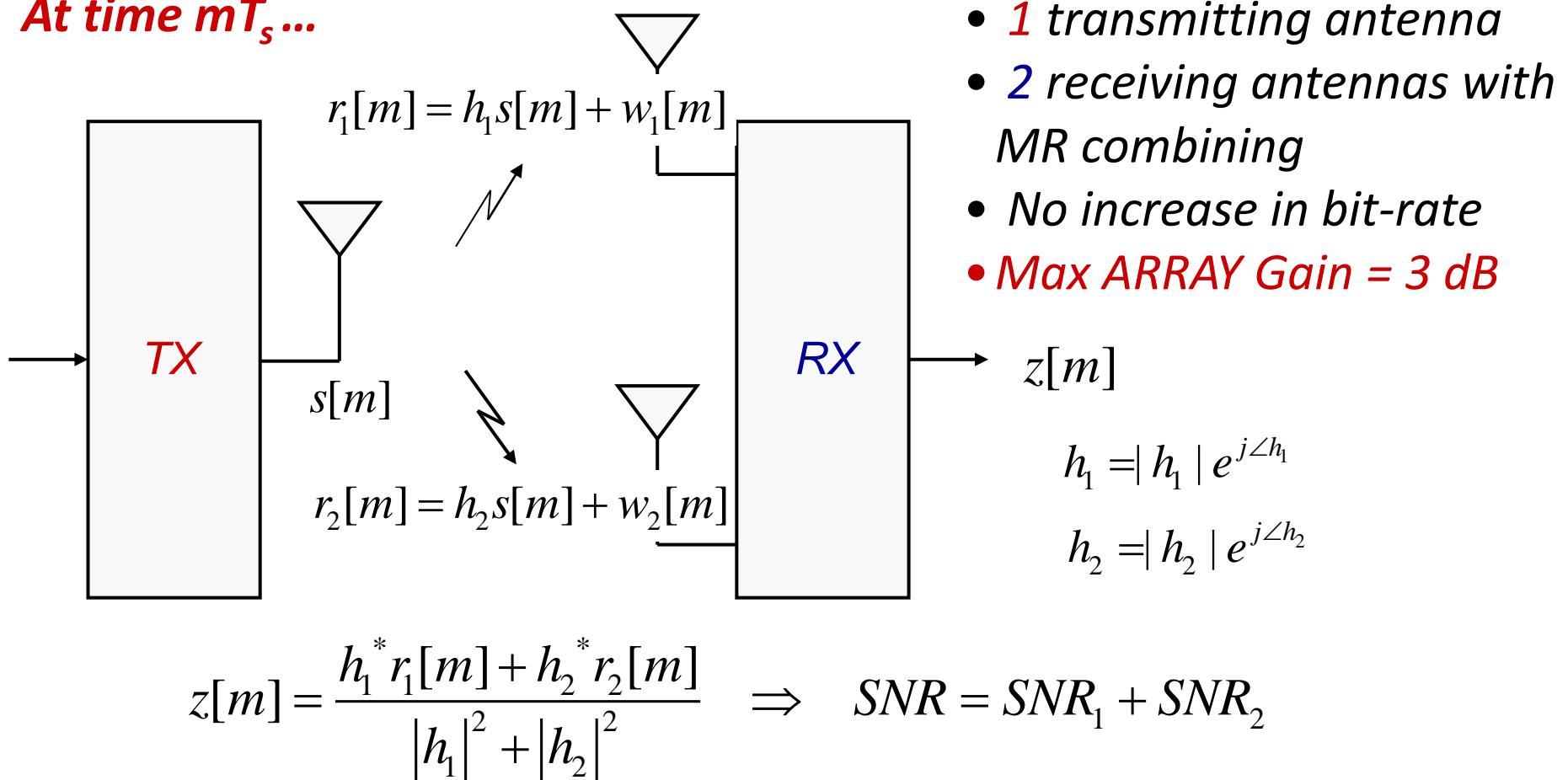
$$z[m] = \frac{r_1[m] + r_2[m]}{2} = s[m] + \frac{w_1[m] + w_2[m]}{2} = s[m] + w[m]$$

The noise variance is reduced by a factor 2



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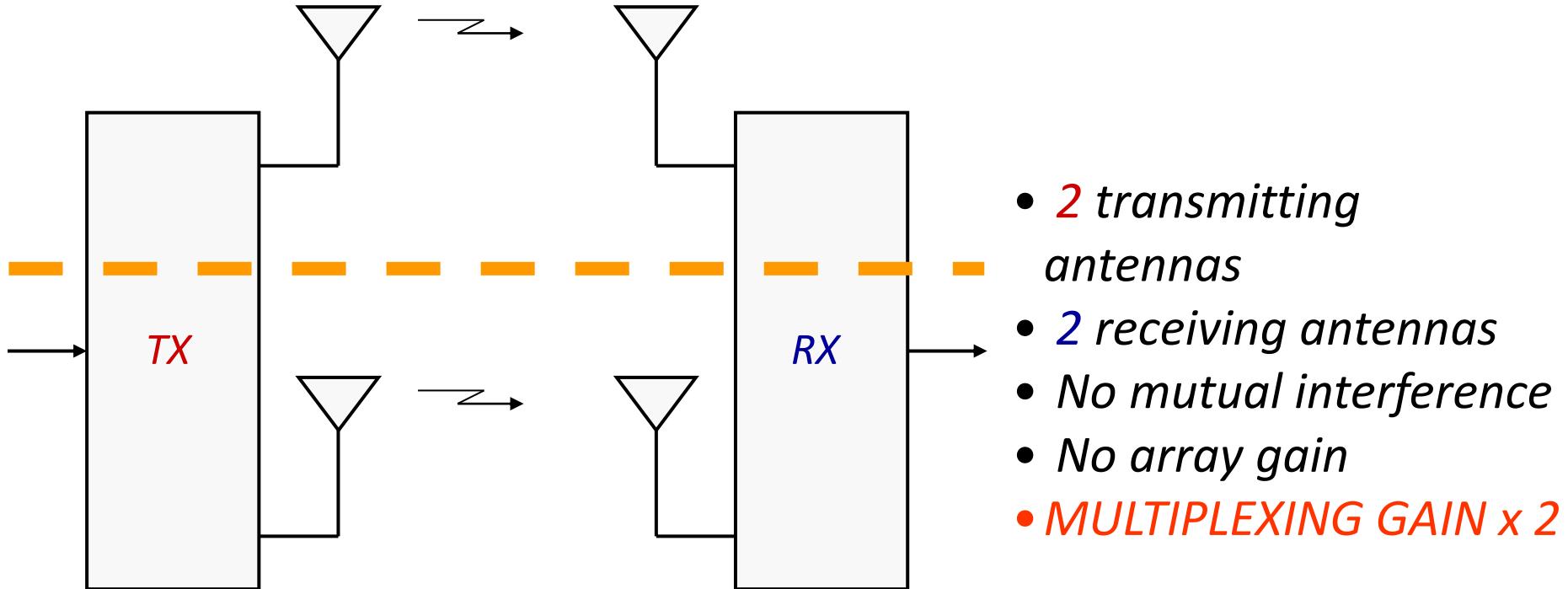
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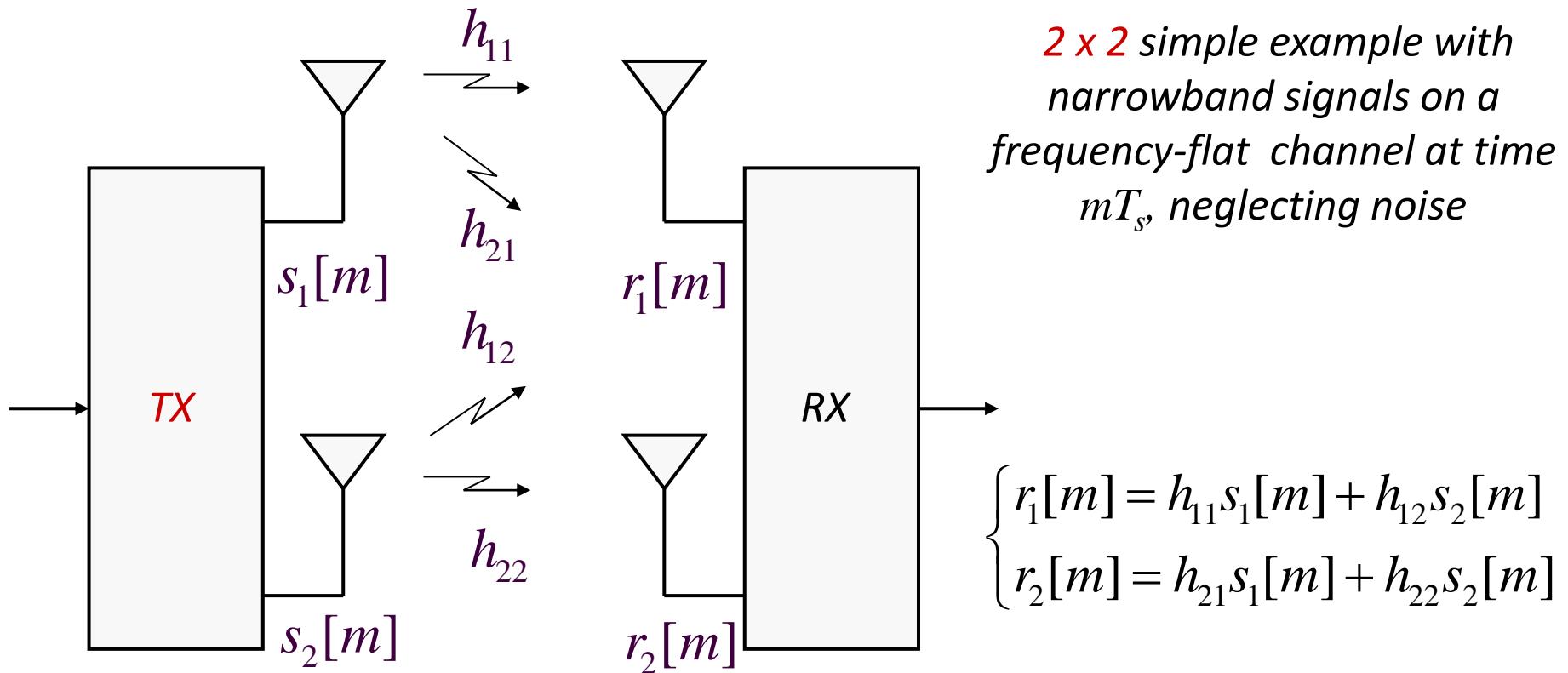
$$h_2 = |h_2| e^{j\angle h_2}$$

Multiantenna Systems 2: Independent Channels

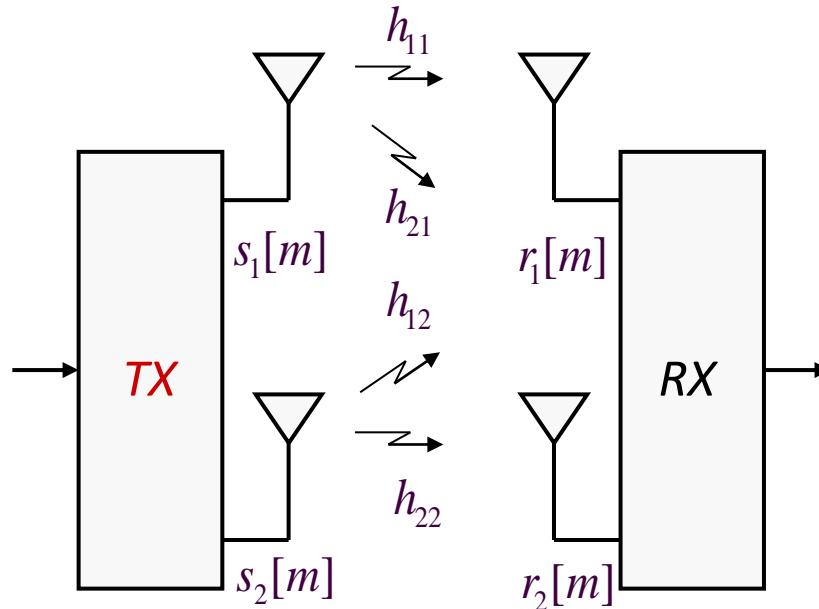


The bit-rate is DOUBLED

MIMO Channel Modeling

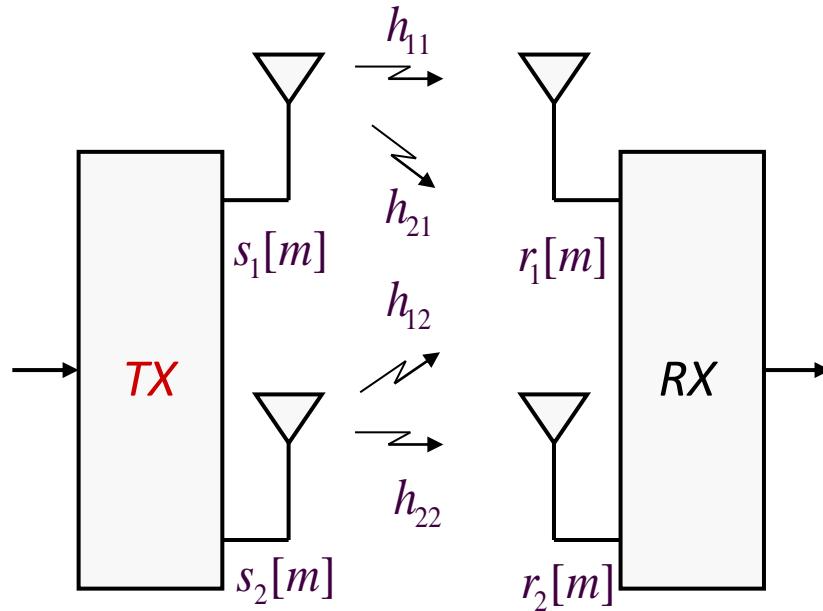


The terms h_{ik} are just complex coefficients that modify the amplitude/phase of the transmitted symbols because the channel is non-frequency-selective !



How can we possibly have a narrowband channel at the high signaling rates of modern communications?

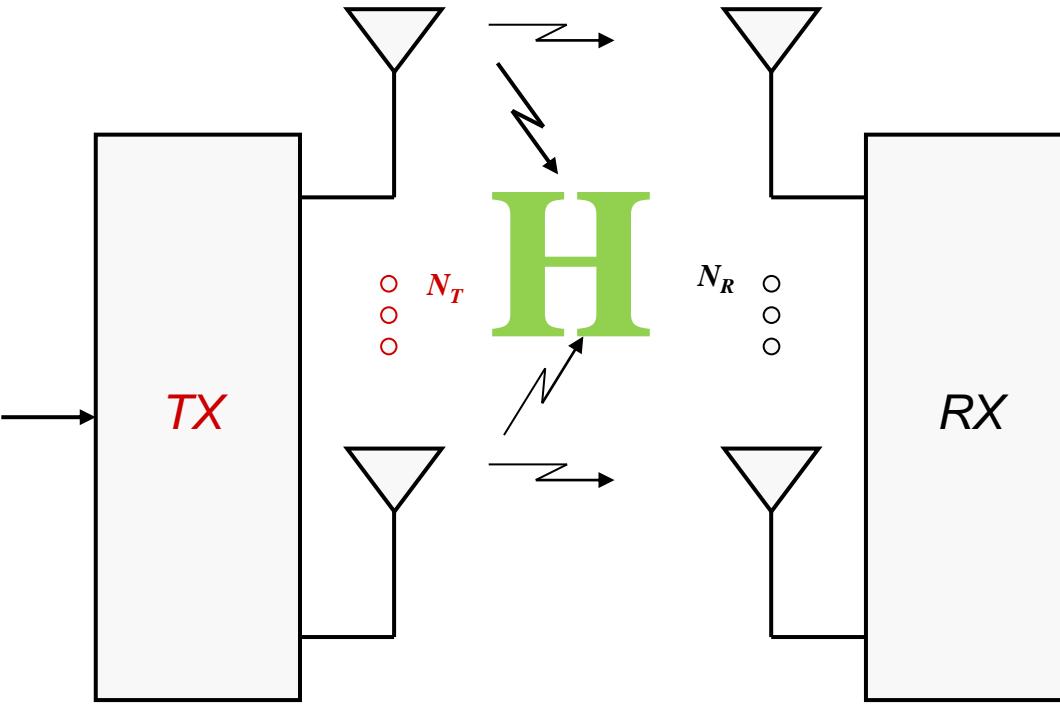
$$\begin{cases} r_1[m] = h_{11}s_1[m] + h_{12}s_2[m] \\ r_2[m] = h_{21}s_1[m] + h_{22}s_2[m] \end{cases}$$



The flat MIMO channel is actually experienced on each single frequency k/T_{MC} of the subcarriers raster in OFDM communications !

$$\begin{cases} r_{1,k}[m] = H_{11}\left(\frac{k}{T_{MC}}\right)s_{1,k}[m] + H_{12}\left(\frac{k}{T_{MC}}\right)s_{2,k}[m] \\ r_{2,k}[m] = H_{21}\left(\frac{k}{T_{MC}}\right)s_{1,k}[m] + H_{22}\left(\frac{k}{T_{MC}}\right)s_{2,k}[m] \end{cases} \quad \text{At time } mT_{MC}... \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1$$

General MIMO (Multiantenna) System



- N_T transmitting antennas
- N_R receiving antennas
- low-rate channels with flat-fading
- $N_R \times N_T$ channel matrix H

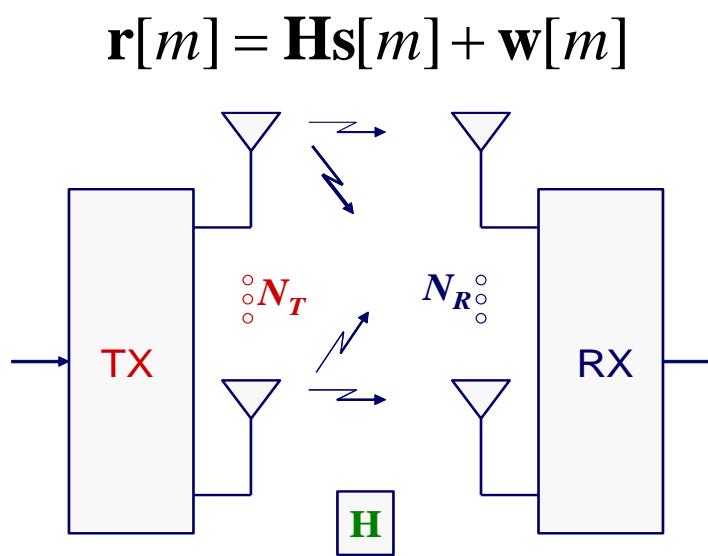
The channels are “different” in SPACE

The complex-valued MIMO channel at time m

- Independent (equi-power Rayleigh) Channels
- Spatially White equi-power noise
- Stationary channel (long coherence time)

$$\mathbf{s}[m] = \begin{bmatrix} s_1[m] \\ s_2[m] \\ \vdots \\ s_{N_T}[m] \end{bmatrix}$$

Transmitted symbols vector



$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & \cdots & h_{1N_T} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h_{N_R 1} & \cdots & h_{N_R N_T} \end{bmatrix}$$

Channel Matrix

$$\mathbf{w}[m] = \begin{bmatrix} w_1[m] \\ w_2[m] \\ \vdots \\ w_{N_R}[m] \end{bmatrix}$$

White noise vector

$$\mathbf{r}[m] = \begin{bmatrix} r_1[m] \\ r_2[m] \\ \vdots \\ r_{N_R}[m] \end{bmatrix}$$

Received (soft) symbols vector

- **Diagonal matrix ($N_R=N_T$): independent channels, max. multiplexing gain, no array gain**
- **$N_R \times 1$ matrix: conventional diversity reception, max. array/diversity gain, no multiplexing gain**

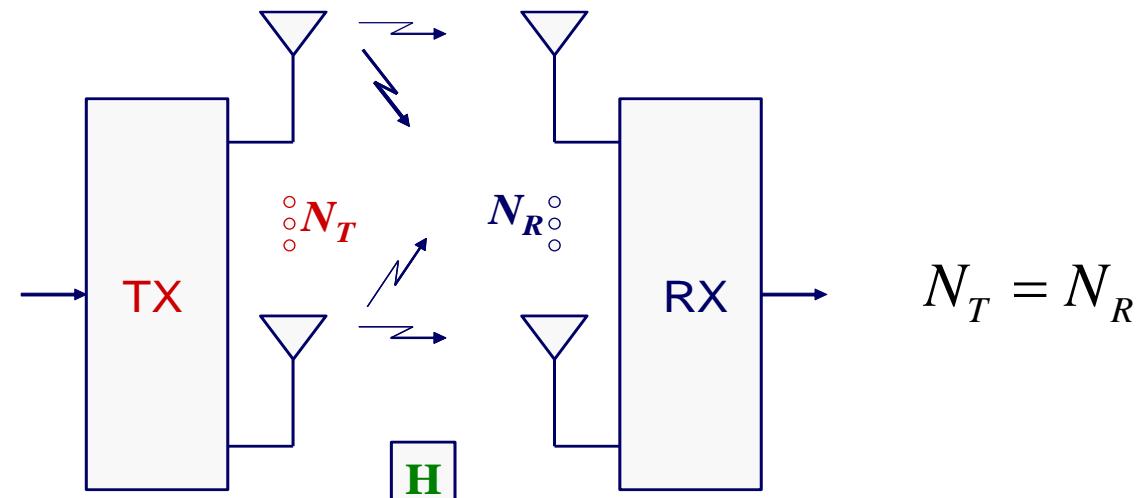


Wi-Fi6 Access Point



MIMO Reception (spatial MUX)

$$\mathbf{r}[m] = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{s}[m] + \mathbf{w}[m]$$

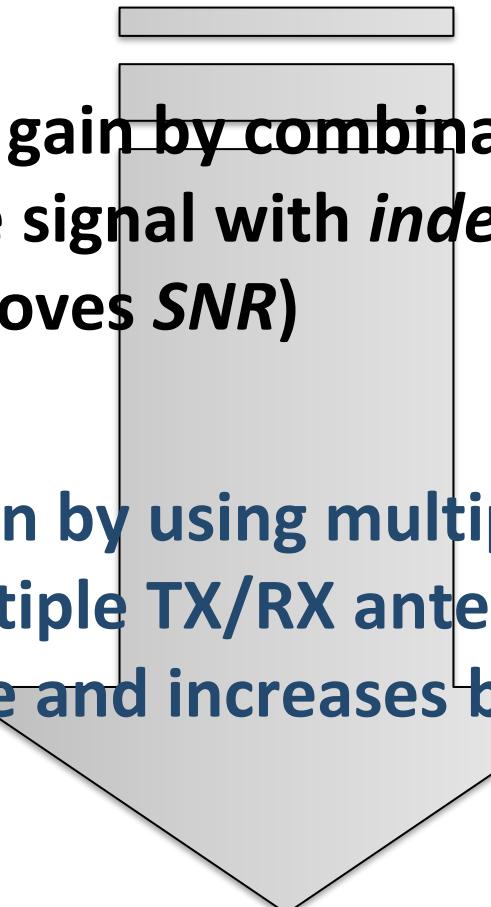


$$\mathbf{z}[m] = \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{-1} \mathbf{r}[m] = \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{-1} (\mathbf{H}\mathbf{s}[m] + \mathbf{w}[m]) = \mathbf{s}[m] + \hat{\mathbf{H}}^{-1} \mathbf{w}[m] = \mathbf{s}[m] + \mathbf{w}'[m]$$

- Need to know (estimate) the channel matrix \mathbf{H}
- \mathbf{H} has to be non-singular
- Possible noise enhancement → need to reduce constellation size



- **ARRAY/DIVERSITY** gain by combination of multiple RX copies of the same signal with *independent noise components* (improves *SNR*)
- **MULTIPLEXING** gain by using multiple *independent channels* with multiple TX/RX antennas (improves *rate*) but increases noise and increases bit-rate less than expected



SNR/Rate relation through capacity theorem

Computation of MIMO Capacity - 1

Compute the SVD of H : $H = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{V}^\dagger$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Eigenvectors of } \mathbf{H}\mathbf{H}^\dagger \quad \text{diag}\{d_i\} \quad \text{Eigenvectors of } \mathbf{H}^\dagger\mathbf{H} \\
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 \boxed{\mathbf{H}} & = & \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{Unitary Matrix} \\ \mathbf{U}\mathbf{U}^\dagger = \mathbf{I}_{N_R \times N_R} \end{array}} & \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{D} \\ \begin{matrix} 0 & & \\ & 0 & \\ & & \ddots \end{matrix} \end{array}} & \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{Unitary} \\ \text{Matrix} \\ \mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^\dagger = \mathbf{I}_{N_T \times N_T} \end{array}} \\
 N_R & & N_R & & N_T
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$N_R > N_T$, uplink-like

are the $N_T \sqrt{\text{eigen}(\mathbf{H}^\dagger\mathbf{H})}$ and the channels are DECOUPLED

Computation of MIMO Capacity - 2



$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{r}[m] &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{s}[m] + \mathbf{w}[m] \\ &= \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^\dagger\mathbf{s}[m] + \mathbf{w}[m] = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}(\mathbf{V}^\dagger\mathbf{s}[m]) + \mathbf{w}[m] = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{s}'[m] + \mathbf{w}[m]\end{aligned}$$

deterministic invertible transformation NOT changing capacity

$$\mathbf{r}'[m] = \mathbf{U}^\dagger\mathbf{r}[m] = \mathbf{U}^\dagger(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{s}'[m] + \mathbf{w}[m]) = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{s}'[m] + \mathbf{w}'[m]$$

Same as above... the equivalent channel boils down to

$$r'_i[m] = d_i s'[m] + w'_i[m], \quad i = 1, \dots, N_T$$

Computation of MIMO Capacity - 3

$$r'[m] = d_i s'[m] + w'[m], \quad i = 1, \dots, N_T$$

I am left with an equivalent set of N_T independent (parallel) channels whose capacity is evaluated via the Shannon formula for the AWGN channel

$$c_i = \log(1 + SNR_k) \quad , \quad SNR_i = \frac{d_i^2 S_i}{2\sigma_i^2} \quad , \quad i = 1, \dots, N_T$$

$$C = \sum_{i=1}^{N_T} \log_2 \left(1 + SNR_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_T} \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{d_i^2 S_i}{2\sigma_i^2} \right)$$

MIMO Capacity – no TX Feedback



On each antenna, $S_2/2 = P_k = P_{TOT}/N_T$

$$C = \sum_{i=1}^{N_T} \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{d_i^2 P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 N_T} \right) = \log_2 \prod_{i=1}^{N_T} \left(1 + \frac{d_i^2 P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 N_T} \right)$$

BUT

$$d_i^2 = \text{eigen}_i(\mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H}) \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{d_i^2 P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 N_T} = \text{eigen}_i \left(\mathbf{I}_{N_T} + \frac{P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 N_T} \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \right)$$

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$$C = \log_2 \det \left(\mathbf{I}_{N_T} + \frac{E_s}{N_0} \frac{1}{\left(\|\mathbf{H}\|_2 \right)^2} \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \right) \text{ bit/c.u. } N_T \leq N_R$$

Computation of MIMO Capacity – 1 Again

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An Example

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & -0.09 \\ -0.09 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \quad SNR_n = S_2 / 2\sigma^2 = 45 \text{ dB}$$

$$\mathbf{U} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{D} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{V}^\dagger$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.7071 & 0.7071 \\ -0.7071 & -0.7071 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.01 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.19 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -0.7071 & -0.7071 \\ 0.7071 & -0.7071 \end{bmatrix}$$

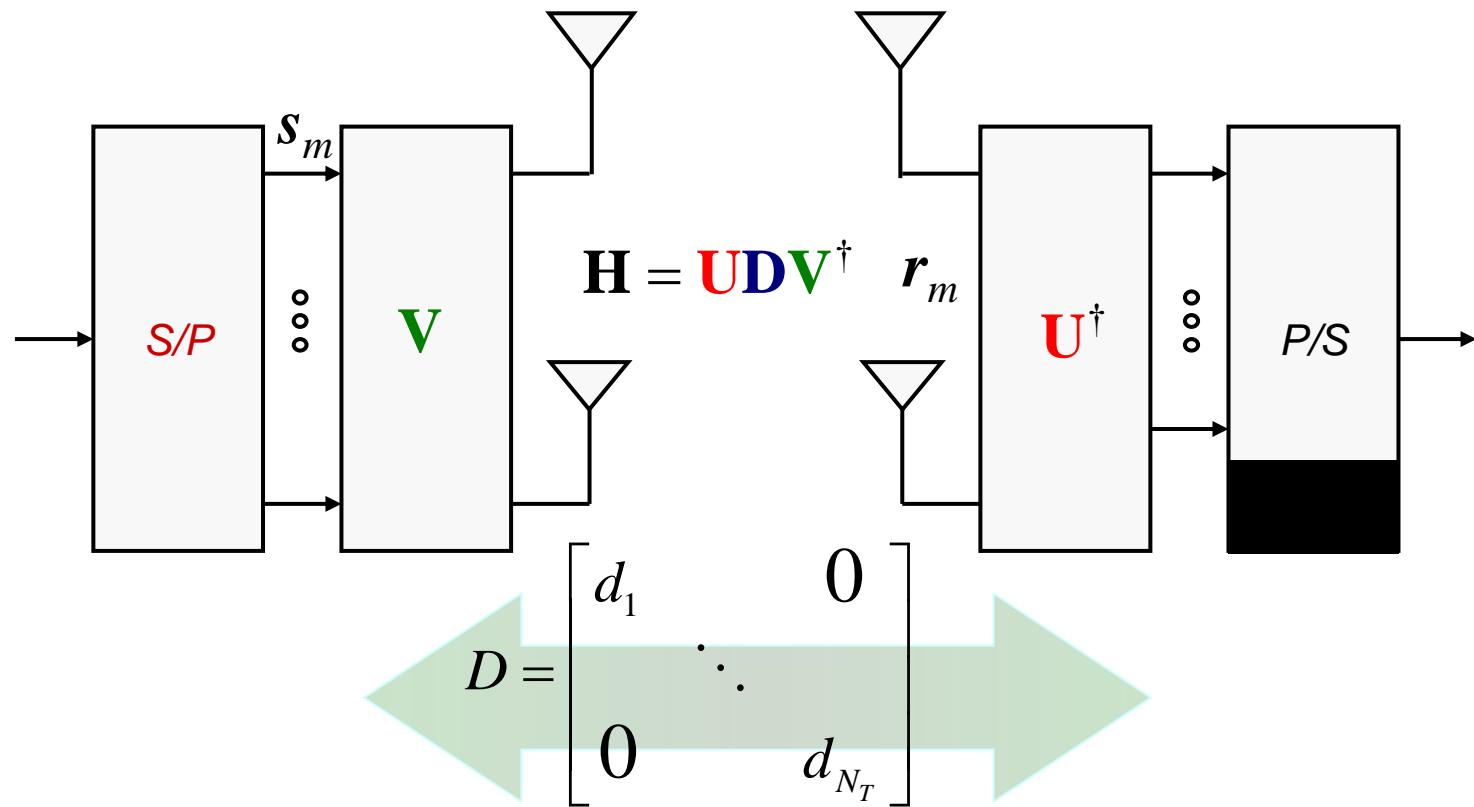
$$c_{MIMO} = \log_2 \left(1 + 10^{-4} \text{SNR}_n \right) + \log_2 \left(1 + 0.0361 \text{SNR}_n \right) = 2.057 + 10.16 = 12.22 \text{ bit/c.u.}$$

With the same OVERALL TX power:

$$c_{1-to-1} = \log_2 \left(1 + 0.02 \text{SNR}_n \right) = 9.31 \text{ bit/c.u.}$$

MIMO Capacity – TX Feedback - 1

If we want to actually “experience” the parallel channels, we have to pre-code s_m by \mathbf{V} before transmitting, and then post-process r_m^\dagger by \mathbf{U}^\dagger disregarding the excess $N_R - N_T$ useless channels – CSI is needed at the TX !



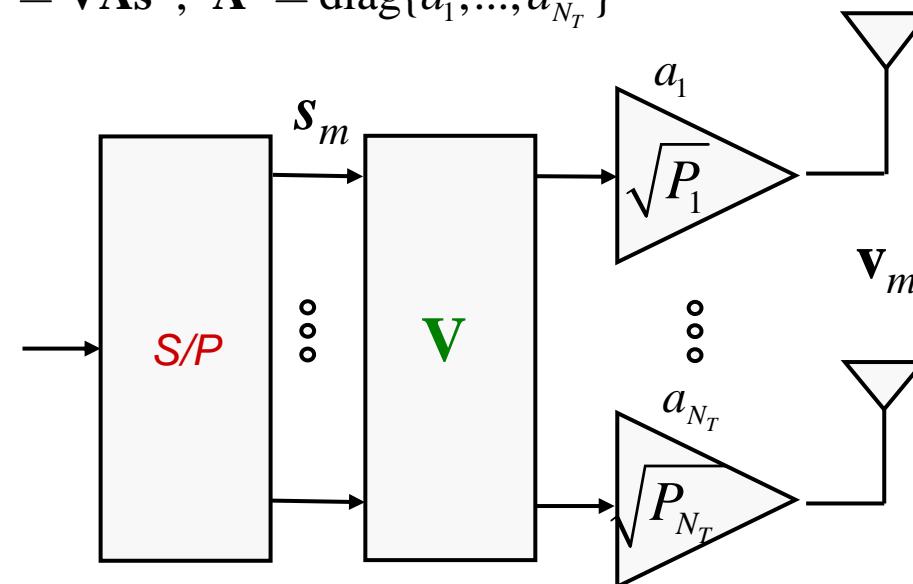
MIMO Capacity – TX Feedback - 2

Now, if the **TX has knowledge** of \mathbf{H} (\mathbf{D} and \mathbf{V}) then it can allocate different power on the different «virtual channels»

$$\mathbf{v} \triangleq \mathbf{VAs}, \quad \mathbf{A} \triangleq \text{diag}\{a_1, \dots, a_{N_T}\}$$

Constraint:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_T} P_i = P_{TOT}$$



$$C = \sum_{i=1}^{N_T} \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{d_i^2 P_i}{\sigma^2} \right)$$

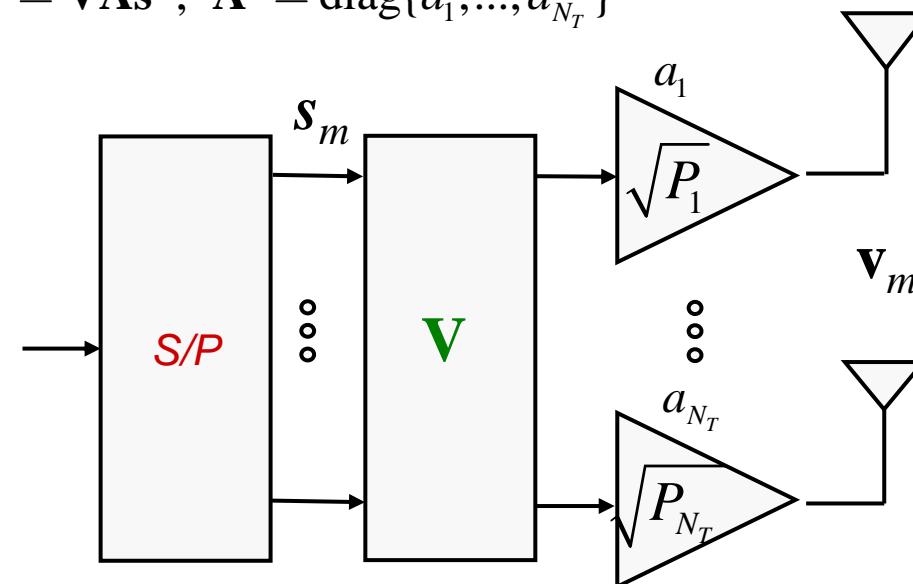
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(independent channels)

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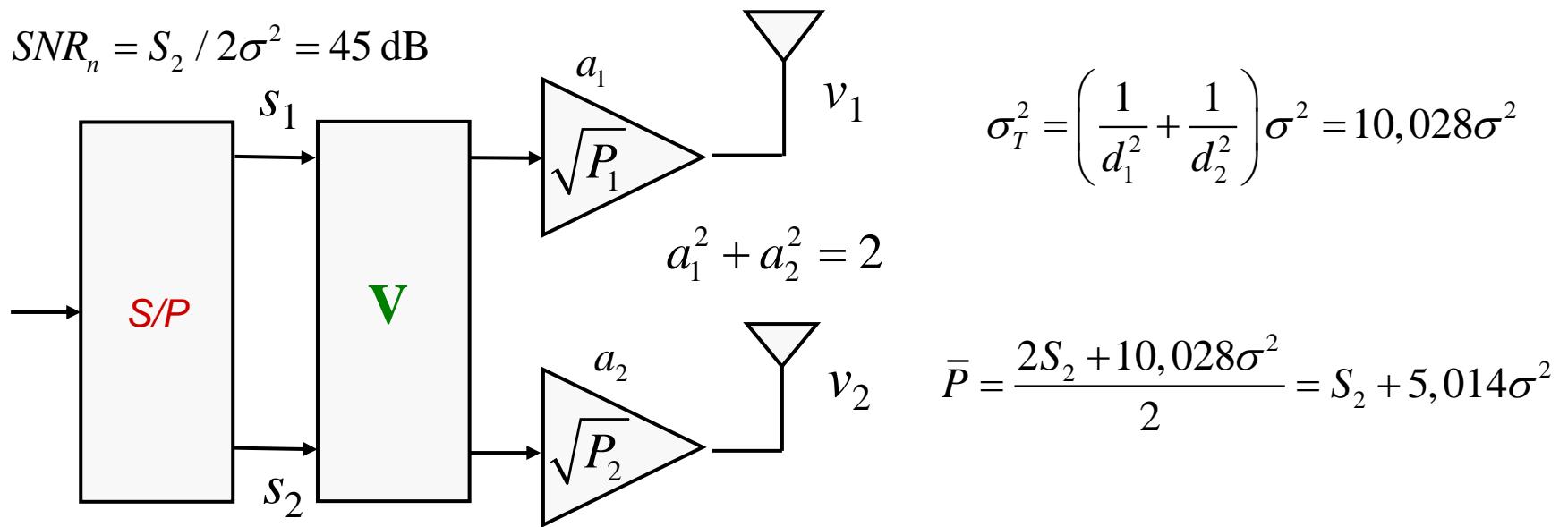
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Another Example

$$SNR_n = S_2 / 2\sigma^2 = 45 \text{ dB}$$



$$\sigma_T^2 = \left(\frac{1}{d_1^2} + \frac{1}{d_2^2} \right) \sigma^2 = 10,028 \sigma^2$$

$$\bar{P} = \frac{2S_2 + 10,028\sigma^2}{2} = S_2 + 5,014\sigma^2$$

$$\begin{cases} P_1 = \bar{P} - \sigma_1^2 = S_2 + 5,014\sigma_w^2 - 10,000\sigma_w^2 = S_2 - 4,986\sigma_w^2 \\ P_2 = \bar{P} - \sigma_2^2 = S_2 + 5,014\sigma_w^2 - 27.7\sigma_w^2 = S_2 + 4,986\sigma_w^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{MIMO,wf} &= \log_2 \left(\frac{d_1^2 \bar{P}}{\sigma_w^2} \right) + \log_2 \left(\frac{d_2^2 \bar{P}}{\sigma_w^2} \right) = \log_2 \left(0.5 + 2 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{SNR}_n \right) + \log_2 \left(181 + 0.0722 \text{SNR}_n \right) \\
 &= 2.77 + 11.27 = 14.04 \text{ bit/c.u.} > c_{MIMO} = 12.22 \text{ bit/c.u.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Ergodic MIMO Capacity (Telatar)



$$C = \log_2 \det \left(\mathbf{I}_{N_T} + \frac{P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 N_T} \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \right)$$

The entries h_{ik} of channel matrix are actually

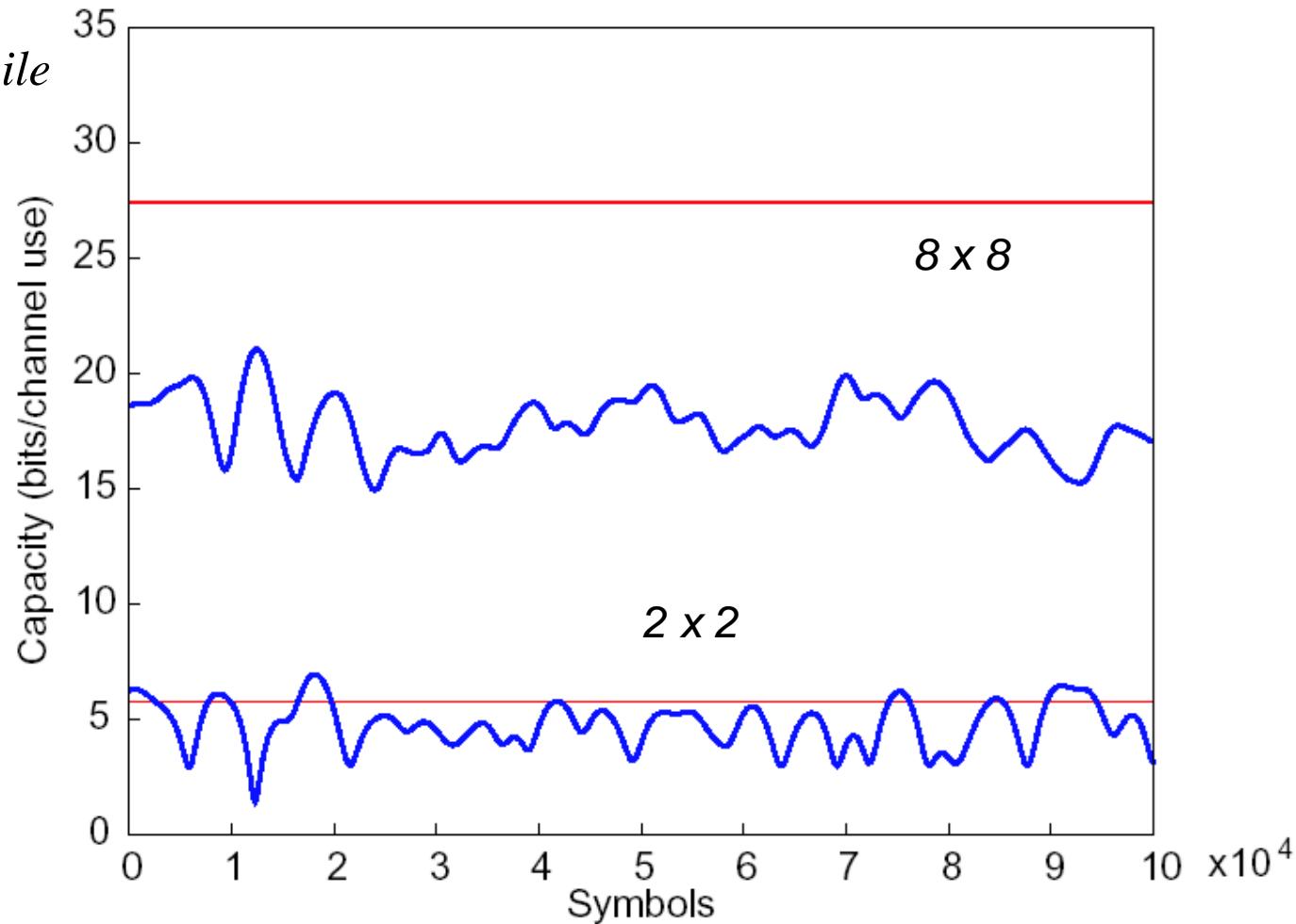
ZERO-MEAN GAUSSIAN (Rayleigh Fading) independent of each other

What we have computed up to now has to be averaged over the channel realizations:

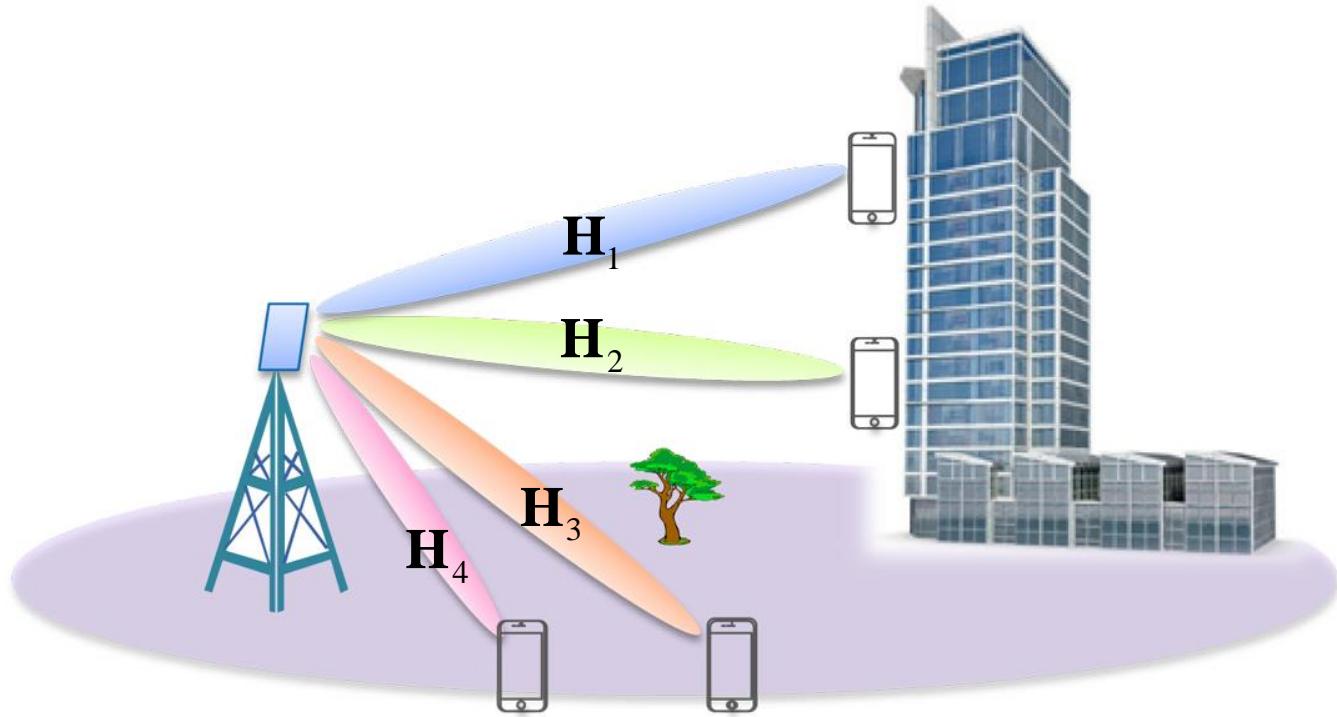
$$C_E = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{H}} \left\{ \log_2 \det \left(\mathbf{I}_{N_T} + \frac{P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 N_T} \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \right) \right\} \quad N_R > N_T$$

An Example (Schlegel)

- $v_{mobile} = 50 \text{ km/h}$ - mobile receiver speed
- $T_s = 1 \mu\text{s}$ - sampling time
- $R = 50 \text{ m}$ - radius of circle containing the scatterers
- $L = 2 \text{ km}$ - separation of TX and RX
- $d = 5\lambda$ - separation of antenna elements
- $f_0 = 2.4 \text{ GHz}$ - carrier frequency
- $E_s/N_0 = 10 \text{ dB}$ - symbol signal to noise ratio



MU MIMO / Space-Division Multiple Access (SDMA)



When the number of antennas is (much) larger than the number of users in the cell, we can also implement Multiple Access/Multiplexing by «synthesizing» multiple beams directed to spatially separated users: Multi-User MIMO (MU-MIMO) – Individual CSI is needed



$$C_E = \text{E}_{\mathbf{H}} \left\{ \log_2 \det \left(\mathbf{I}_{N_R} + \frac{P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 N_T} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^\dagger \right) \right\} \quad N_R < N_T$$

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$N_T \rightarrow \infty$ (Downlink):

$$\left(\mathbf{H} \mathbf{H}^\dagger \right)_{i,\ell} \triangleq \sum_{p=1}^{N_T} h_{i,p} h_{\ell,p}^* = N_T \cdot \frac{1}{N_T} \sum_{p=1}^{N_T} h_{i,p} h_{\ell,p}^* \rightarrow N_T \text{E}\{h_{i,p} h_{\ell,p}^*\} = N_T \delta[i - \ell]$$



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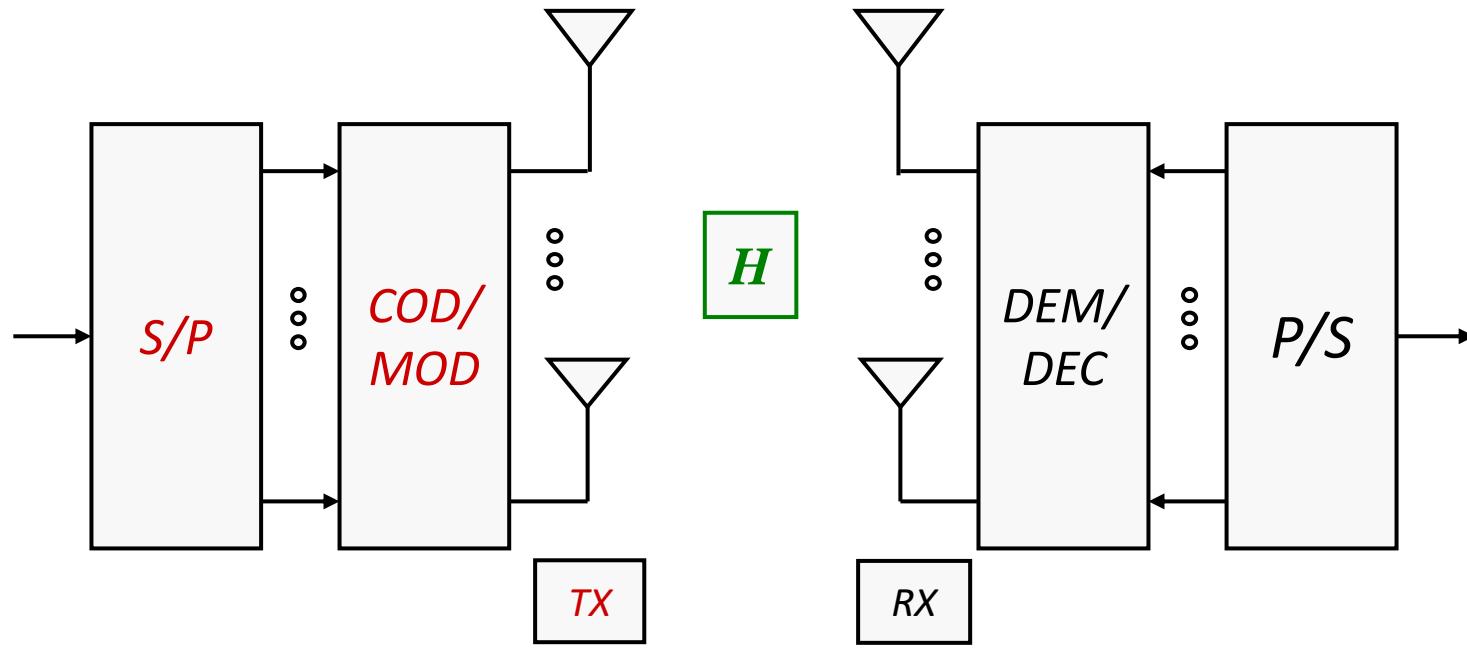
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$$N_T \rightarrow \infty \text{ (Downlink): } C_E = N_R \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2} \right) \quad \textit{MUX gain only}$$

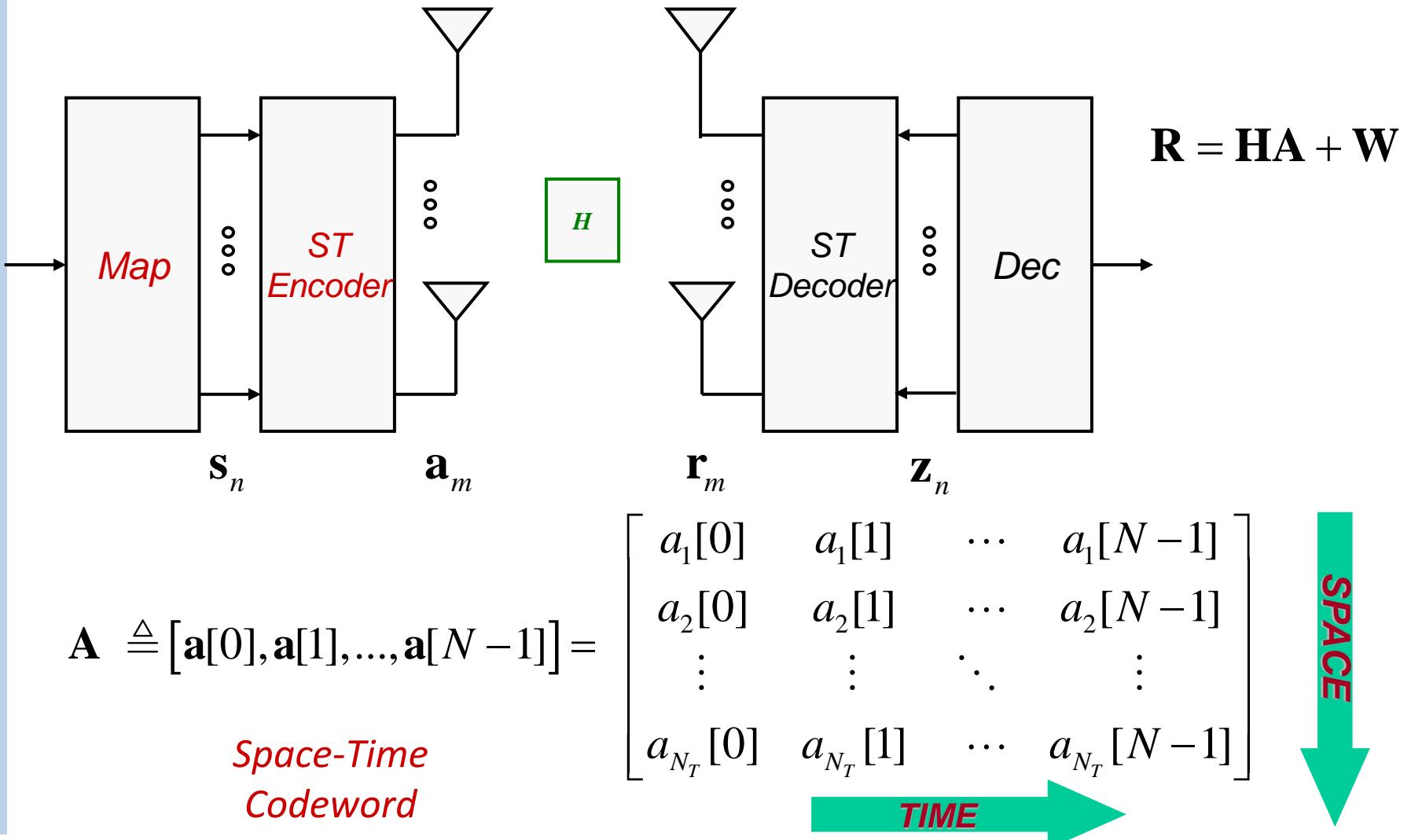
$$N_R \rightarrow \infty \text{ (Uplink): } C_E = N_T \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{P_{TOT}}{\sigma^2 / (N_R / N_T)} \right) \quad \textit{MUX and ARR gain}$$

Time-, Space-, and Space-Time Coding

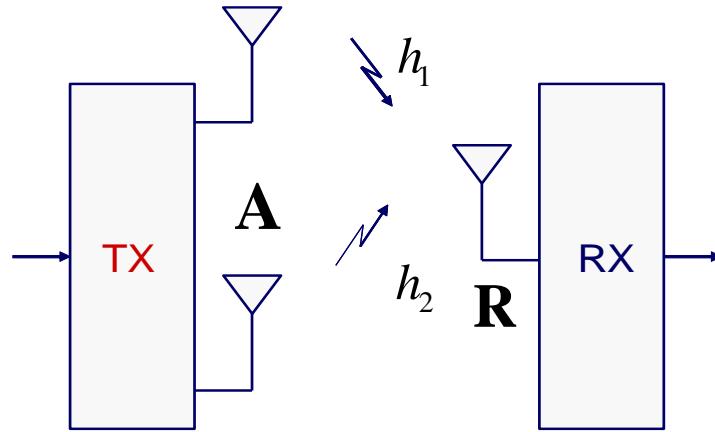


*Redundant (parity-check symbols) can be added as usual in **time** (interleaved with information symbols), or in **space**, by interleaving them on the TX antennas with information symbols, or **BOTH**: **space-time codes**.*

Space-Time Block Codes



The mother-of-all ST Block Codes (Alamouti)



$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1[0] & s_2^*[0] \\ s_2[0] & -s_1^*[0] \end{bmatrix}$$

Designed for a $N_R=1 \times N_T=2$ MIMO system (single RX antenna !!!)

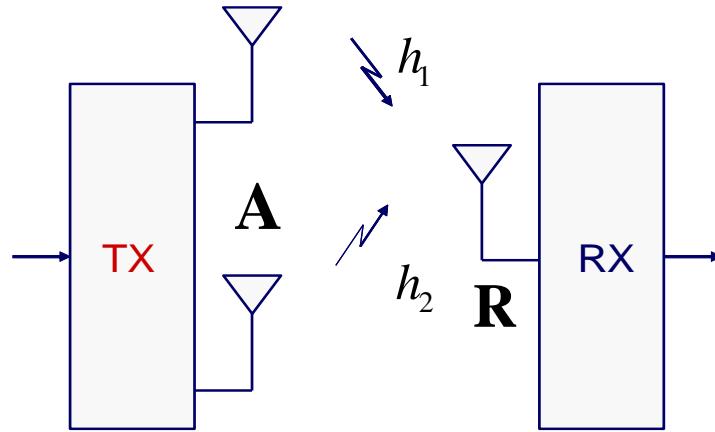
Coding rate: 1 in space, $\frac{1}{2}$ in time, overall $\frac{1}{2}$

BUT no bandwidth increase wrt 1×1 system with no coding

$$\mathbf{R} = [r[0] \quad r[1]] = [h_1 \quad h_2] \begin{bmatrix} s_1[0] & s_2^*[0] \\ s_2[0] & -s_1^*[0] \end{bmatrix} + [w[0] \quad w[1]]$$

Variance of noise terms: $2\sigma_1^2 = 2\sigma_2^2 = 2\sigma$

The mother-of-all ST Block Codes (Alamouti)



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$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r[0] & r[1] \end{bmatrix}$$

Designed for a $N_R=1 \times N_T=2$ MIMO system (single RX antenna !!!)

Coding rate: 1 in space, $\frac{1}{2}$ in time, overall $\frac{1}{2}$

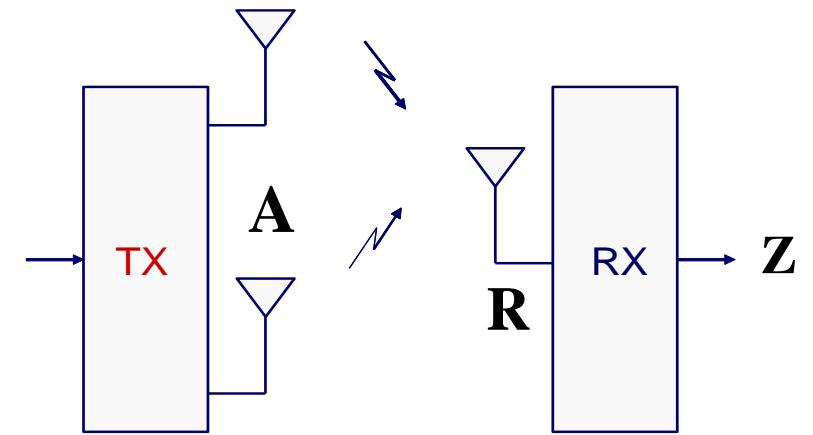
BUT no bandwidth increase wrt 1×1 system with no coding

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R} = [r[0] \quad r[1]] &= [h_1 \quad h_2] \begin{bmatrix} s_1[0] & s_2^*[0] \\ s_2[0] & -s_1^*[0] \end{bmatrix} + [w[0] \quad w[1]] \\ &= [(h_1 s_1[0] + h_2 s_2[0]) + w[0] \quad (h_1 s_2^*[0] - h_2 s_1^*[0]) + w[1]] \end{aligned}$$

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where

$$w'[0] = w[0]h_1^* - w[1]^* h_2$$

$$w'[1] = w[0]h_2^* + w[1]^* h_1$$



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and the new I/Q noise variances are

$$\sigma_{n_1}^2 = \sigma_{n_2}^2 = \sigma^2 (\lvert h_1 \rvert^2 + \lvert h_2 \rvert^2)$$



Where is the gain ?



- **The signal power increases by** $(|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2)^2$

- **The noise power increases by** $|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2$

- ***There are no CROSS TERMS between channels !***

$$SNR_1 = \frac{S_2 |h_1|^2}{2\sigma^2} \quad SNR_2 = \frac{S_2 |h_2|^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$$SNR_{Ala} = \frac{S_2 (|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2)^2}{2\sigma^2 (|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2)} = \frac{S_2 (|h_1|^2 + |h_2|^2)^2}{2\sigma^2} = SNR_1 + SNR_2$$

- **JUST LIKE RX DIVERSITY ! (BUT what with the same TX power ?)**



With two RX antennas (2 x 2 code)



TIME →
↓ SPACE

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1[0] & r_1[1] \\ r_2[0] & r_2[1] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1}s_1[0] + h_{1,2}s_2[0] & h_{1,1}s_2^*[0] - h_{1,2}s_1^*[0] \\ h_{2,1}s_1[0] + h_{2,2}s_2[0] & h_{2,1}s_2^*[0] - h_{2,2}s_1^*[0] \end{bmatrix} + \mathbf{W}$$

\mathbf{Z}_1 from RX antenna 1 only

\mathbf{Z}_2 from RX antenna 2 only

$$\mathbf{z}^T = [z_1[0] \quad z_2[0]] = \begin{bmatrix} r_1[0] & r_1^*[1] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{11}^* & h_{12}^* \\ -h_{12} & h_{11} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} r_2[0] & r_2^*[1] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{21}^* & h_{22}^* \\ -h_{22} & h_{21} \end{bmatrix}$$

RX diversity on top of TX diversity

Show that we have
**FOUR-FOLD array
gain (but no mux
gain)**

$$SNR_{Ala} = SNR_{11} + SNR_{21} + SNR_{12} + SNR_{22}$$