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# Decentralized Coordinated Beamforming for Weighted Sum Energy Efficiency Maximization in Multi-Cell MISO Downlink

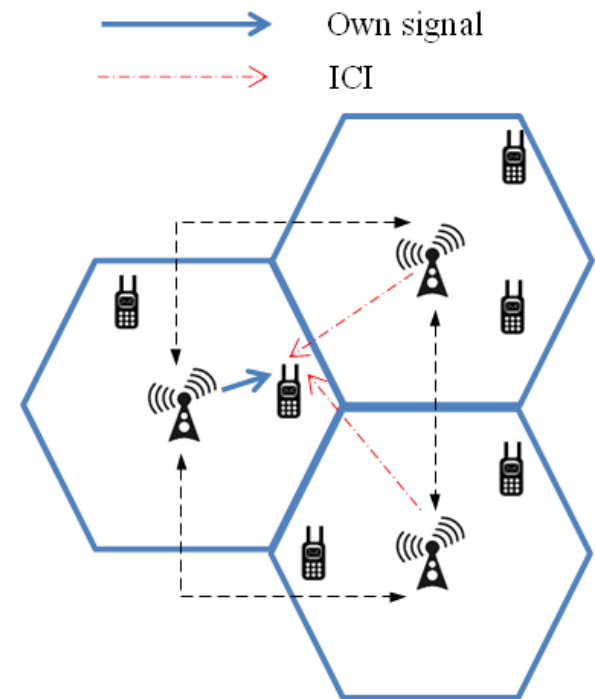
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# System model

- Multi-cell multiuser MISO
  - Downlink
  - Multi-antenna base stations (BS) and single-antenna users (UT)
  - Mutually interfering adjacent cells
- Coordinated beamforming
  - Interference coordination
- **Assumptions:**
  - BSs require **local CSI** (towards all the users) → TDD DL-UL reciprocity
  - Ideal backhaul between the BSs (**scalars** exchanged)



# Scope

- Beam coordination to cope with inter-cell interference
- Provide energy-efficient beamforming strategy with decentralized optimization
  - Only local CSI needed
  - Scalar backhaul information exchange

# Problem formulation

- Received signal of terminal  $k$  of cell  $b$  at

$$y_k = \mathbf{h}_{b_k,k} \mathbf{w}_k s_k + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{K}_{b_k} \setminus \{k\}} \mathbf{h}_{b_k,k} \mathbf{w}_j s_j + \underbrace{\sum_{m \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}_{b_k}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{K}_m} \mathbf{h}_{m,k} \mathbf{w}_j s_j}_{\text{inter-cell interference}} + n_k$$

channel →  $\mathbf{h}_{b_k,k}$       data →  $s_k$       noise →  $n_k$   
 TX beamformers →  $\mathbf{w}_k$

# Problem formulation

- In the literature, different energy-efficient metrics proposed:
- Network energy efficiency:**

$$\max_{\{\mathbf{w}_k\}_{k \in \mathcal{K}}} \frac{\sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} f_b(\mathbf{w})}{\sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b)}$$

Rate of BS  $b$  ←  $f_b(\mathbf{w})$

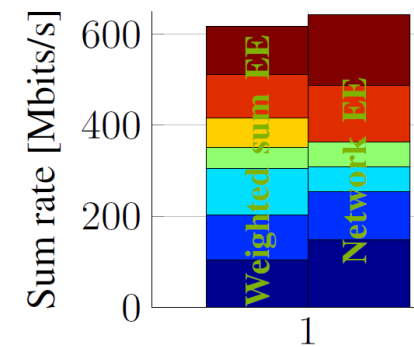
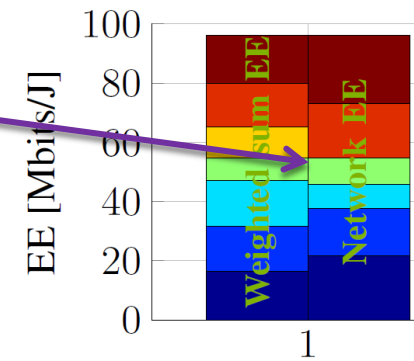
'Yellow' BS allocated with zero power ←  $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b$

Total power of BS  $b$  ←  $g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b)$

- Weighted sum energy efficiency:**

$$\max_{\{\mathbf{w}_k\}_{k \in \mathcal{K}}} \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} \omega_b \frac{f_b(\mathbf{w})}{g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b)}$$

- balanced EEs and rates between the cells*
- Adjustable EE's for different BS types (HETNET)*
- tractable for decentralization*



Priority weights

# Problem formulation

- Weighted sum energy efficiency maximization

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \max_{\{\mathbf{w}_k\}_{k \in \mathcal{K}}} && \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} \omega_b \frac{f_b(\mathbf{w})}{g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b)} \\
 & \text{s. t.} && \Gamma_k(\mathbf{w}) \geq \bar{\Gamma}_k, k \in \mathcal{K} \\
 & && \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_b} \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 \leq P_b, \forall b \in \mathcal{B}
 \end{aligned}$$

SINR constraints

TX power constraints

$$f_b(\mathbf{w}) \triangleq \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_b} R_k(\mathbf{w}) \quad \text{Sum rate of BS } b$$

$$g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b) \triangleq \frac{1}{\eta} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_b} \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 + P_0 \quad \text{Total power of BS } b$$

PA efficiency

Total circuit power of BS b (depends e.g. on number of UTs/antennas)

# Equivalent Transformation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \max_{\{t_b, \alpha_b\}_{b \in \mathcal{B}}, \{\mathbf{w}_k, \gamma_k, \beta_k\}_{k \in \mathcal{K}}} \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} \omega_b t_b \\
 & \text{s. t. } g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b) \leq \alpha_b^2 / t_b, \forall b \in \mathcal{B} \\
 & \quad \gamma_k \leq |\mathbf{h}_{b_k, k} \mathbf{w}_k|^2 / \beta_k, \forall k \in \mathcal{K} \\
 & \quad \text{other convex constraints}
 \end{aligned}$$

Jointly convex functions

First-order lower approximations at point  $(\alpha_b^{(n)}, t_b^{(n)})$ :

$$\frac{\alpha_b^2}{t_b} \geq \frac{2\alpha_b^{(n)}}{t_b^{(n)}} \alpha_b - \left(\frac{\alpha_b^{(n)}}{t_b^{(n)}}\right)^2 t_b \triangleq \phi^{(n)}(\alpha_b, t_b)$$



# Sequential Convex Approximation

- Solve problem iteratively until convergence

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \max_{\{t_b, \alpha_b\}_{b \in \mathcal{B}}, \{\mathbf{w}_k, \gamma_k, \beta_k\}_{k \in \mathcal{K}}} \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} \omega_b t_b \\
 & \text{s. t.} \quad g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b) \leq \phi^{(n)}(\alpha_b, t_b), \forall b \in \mathcal{B} \\
 & \quad \quad \gamma_k \leq \psi^{(n)}(\mathbf{w}_k, \beta_k), \forall k \in \mathcal{K} \\
 & \quad \quad \frac{\mathbf{h}_{b_k, k} \mathbf{w}_k}{\sqrt{\Gamma_k}} \geq \left( \mathcal{I}_k(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{b_k}) + \sum_{m \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}_{b_k}} \mathcal{I}_{m, k}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_m) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \text{Im}(\mathbf{h}_{b_k, k} \mathbf{w}_k) = 0 \\
 & \quad \quad \beta_k \geq \mathcal{I}_k(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{b_k}) + \sum_{m \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}_{b_k}} \mathcal{I}_{m, k}(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_m), \forall k \in \mathcal{K} \\
 & \quad \quad \text{other convex constraints}
 \end{aligned}$$

Updated after each iteration

ICI couples all the cells  
(global CSI required)

# ADMM-based Decentralized Solution

- Introduce inter-cell interference variable  $z_{b,j}$

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 z_{b,j}^2 &\geq \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_b} |\mathbf{h}_{b_k,j} \mathbf{w}_k|^2, \forall b \in \mathcal{B}, j \in \bar{\mathcal{K}}_b \\
 \frac{\mathbf{h}_{b_k,k} \mathbf{w}_k}{\sqrt{\bar{\Gamma}_k}} &\geq (\mathcal{I}_k(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{b_k}) + \sum_{m \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}_{b_k}} z_{m,k}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 \beta_k &\geq \mathcal{I}_k(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{b_k}) + \sum_{m \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}_{b_k}} z_{m,k}^2, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}
 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Convex}$$

- Introduce 'local copies' for each  $z_{b,j}$

$\tilde{z}_{m,k}^b$  ICI from BS  $m$  to user  $k$  optimized by BS  $b$

$\tilde{z}_{m,k}^m$  ICI from BS  $m$  to user  $k$  optimized by BS  $m$

# ADMM-based Decentralized Solution

- Define local feasible set

Local optimization variables

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{S}_b = & \left\{ (\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b, \gamma_b, \alpha_b, t_b, \beta_b, \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_b) \mid \right. \\
 & \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_b} \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 \leq P_b \\
 & \text{Im}(\mathbf{h}_{b_k, k} \mathbf{w}_k) = 0, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}_b \\
 & \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_b} \log(1 + \gamma_k) \geq \alpha_b^2 \\
 & g_b(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b) \leq \phi^{(n)}(\alpha_b, t_b) \\
 & \gamma_k \leq \psi^{(n)}(\mathbf{w}_k, \beta_k), \forall k \in \mathcal{K}_b \\
 & \frac{\mathbf{h}_{b_k, k} \mathbf{w}_k}{\sqrt{\Gamma_k}} \geq (\mathcal{I}_k(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b) + \sum_{m \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}_{b_k}} (\tilde{z}_{m, k}^b)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}_b \\
 & \beta_k \geq \mathcal{I}_k(\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b) + \sum_{m \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}_b} (\tilde{z}_{m, k}^b)^2, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}_b \\
 & \left. (\tilde{z}_{b, j}^b)^2 \geq \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_b} |\mathbf{h}_{b, j} \mathbf{w}_k|^2, \forall j \in \bar{\mathcal{K}}_b \right\} \quad (15)
 \end{aligned}$$

Local convex constraints

# ADMM-based Decentralized Solution

- Equivalent Transformation

$$\max \quad \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} \omega_b t_b$$

$$\text{s. t.} \quad (\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_b, \gamma_b, \alpha_b, t_b, \beta_b, \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_b) \in \mathcal{S}_b, \forall b \in \mathcal{B} \quad \text{Local constraints}$$

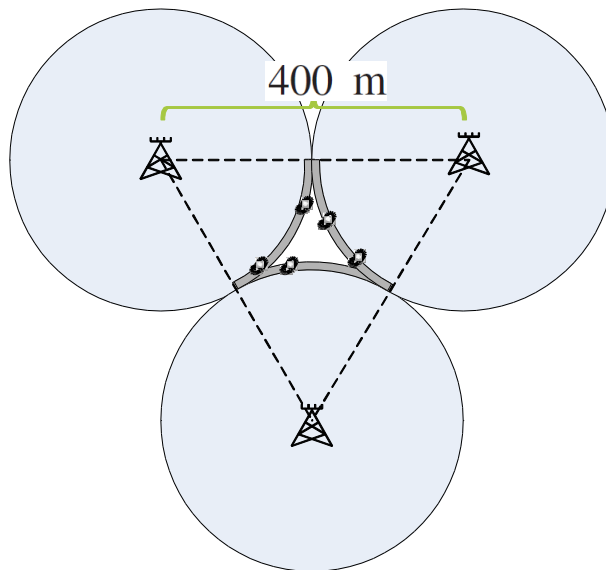
$$\tilde{\mathbf{z}}_b = \mathbf{z}_b, \forall b \in \mathcal{B} \quad \text{Global constraints (ensures that local copies equal to global variables)}$$

→ **general global consensus problem → can be solved using well-known ADMM**

**Each base station needs to share local interference variables to other BSs ( $2K_b$  real scalars)**

# Simulation modeling

- 3 BSs
- 9 users at the center area of the BSs (3 per cell)



# Numerical results

- Algorithm 1:

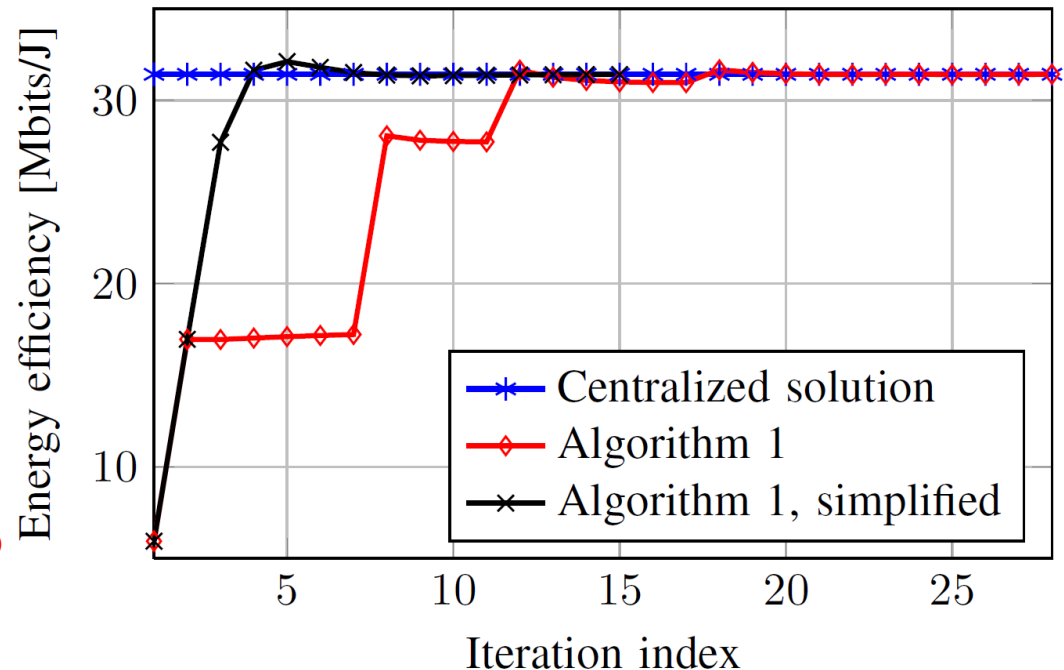
Until convergence {

1. Perform SCA step
2. Use ADMM until convergence

- Algorithm 1, simplified:

Until convergence {

1. Perform SCA step
2. Perform ADMM step



$$B = 3, W = 20 \text{ MHz}, P_{\text{FIX}} = 18 \text{ Watts}, P_{\text{BS}} = 1 \text{ Watt}$$

$$P_{\text{SYN}} = 2 \text{ Watts}, \rho = 0.04, \bar{\Gamma}_k = \bar{\Gamma} = 0 \text{ dB}, P_b = 46 \text{ dBm}$$

$$\eta = 0.39, WN_0 = -96 \text{ dBm}, N = 9, K_b = K = 3$$

# Conclusions

- Coordinated beamforming for energy-efficient transmission
  - Decentralized solution
  - Optimization based on local CSI and scalar backhaul information exchange