

Motivation

Background:

- Wireless devices increase exponentially;
- 1000 x higher data rates in future;
- Critical needs for green and energy-efficient solutions;

What is PIM (Passive Intelligent Mirrors)?

- Physical meta-surface composed of many small-unit reflectors;
- Each unit reflect a phase-shifted version of incoming electromagnetic wave;
- Significantly reducing energy consumptions, and super-easy deployment;

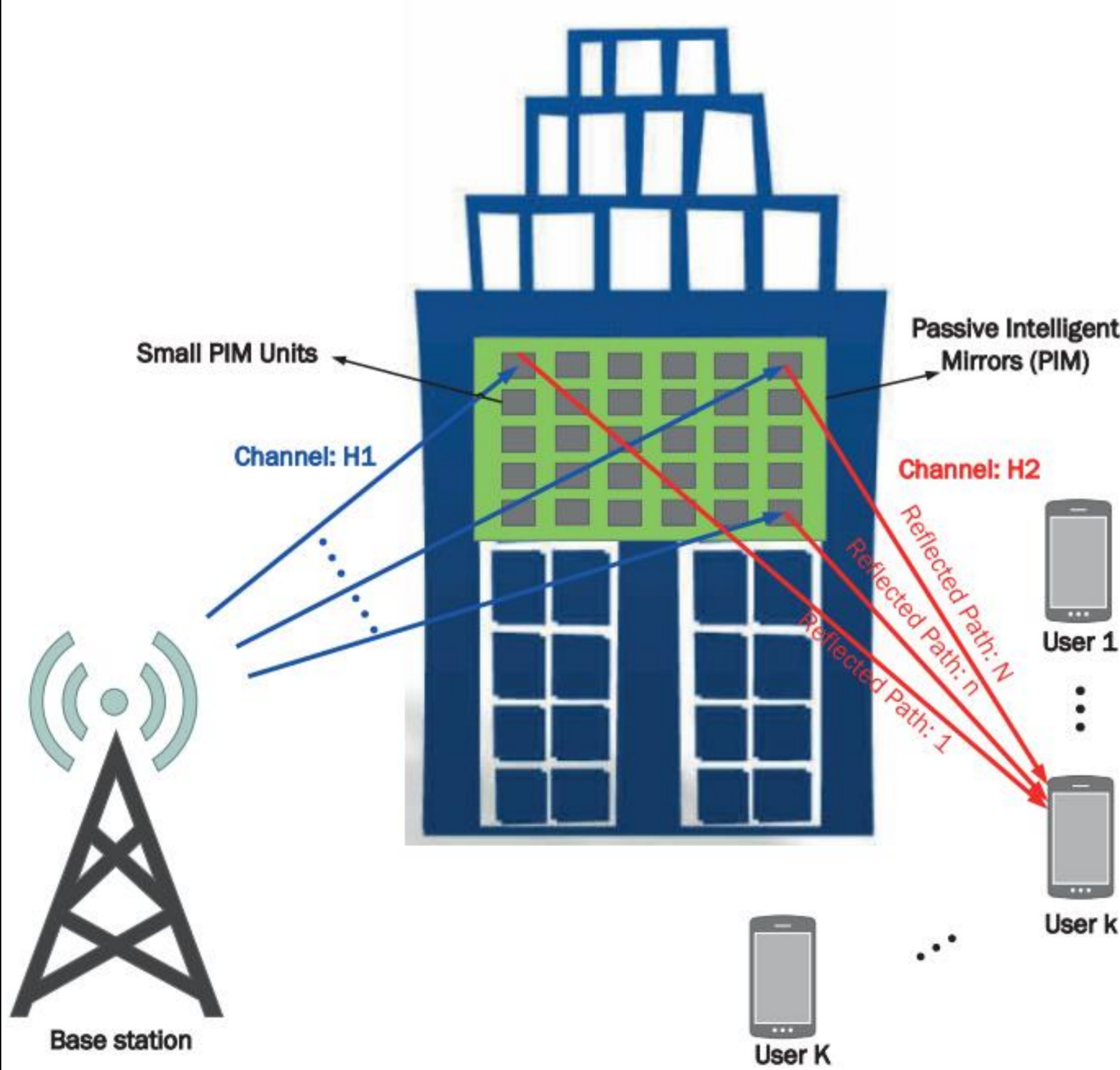
Key contributions:

- Formulated a sum-rate maximization problem for the outdoor MIMO system scenario equipped with PIM;
- Proposed MM-based method for addressing this non-convex;

System model

Outdoor scenario:

- multi-user MISO downlink communication system equipped with PIM



- A base station: M antennas
- K single-antenna users
- PIM: N reflecting units

Received signal at user k :

$$y_k = \mathbf{h}_{k,2} \Theta \mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{x} + w_k,$$

$\mathbf{h}_{k,2} \in \mathbb{C}^{1 \times N}$: The channel between the PIM and user k

$\mathbf{H}_1 \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times M}$: The channel Between the BS and PIM

$\Theta = \text{diag}[e^{j\theta_1}, \dots, e^{j\theta_N}]$: The PIM phase-shift matrix.

Problem formulation

Transmitted signal at BS: $\mathbf{x} = \sum_{k=1}^K \sqrt{p_k} \mathbf{g}_k s_k$, \mathbf{g}_k is beamforming vector;

Zero-forcing precoding: SINR at user k is simplified: $\gamma_k = \frac{p_k}{\sigma^2}$

Objective: Optimize the transmit powers and the matrix Θ for system sum-rate maximization, under QoS constraints.

$$\max_{\Theta, \mathbf{P}} \sum_{k=1}^K \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{p_k}{\sigma^2} \right)$$

Non-convex

optimization problem: s.t. $\log_2 \left(1 + \frac{p_k}{\sigma^2} \right) \geq R_{min,k}, \forall k = 1, \dots, K$

$$\text{tr}((\mathbf{H}_2 \Theta \mathbf{H}_1)^+ \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{H}_2 \Theta \mathbf{H}_1)^+ H) \leq P_{max}$$

$$0 \leq \theta_i \leq 2\pi, \forall i = 1, \dots, N$$

Proposed Algorithm

Alternating maximization: separately and iteratively optimize \mathbf{P} and Θ .

1. Optimization with respect to Θ :

Change of variable: $\max_{\Phi} 1$ s.t. $\text{tr}((\mathbf{H}_2 \Phi \mathbf{H}_1)^+ \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{H}_2 \Phi \mathbf{H}_1)^+ H) \leq P_{max}$ } **Still non-convex**

$\Phi = \text{diag}[\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N], \phi_i = e^{j\theta_i}$

$|\phi_i| = 1, \forall i = 1, \dots, N$,

Solution by employing the **majorization-minimization (MM)** method:

$$\bar{\mathbf{c}}_t = |\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{x}_t|; \mathbf{c}_t^{max} = \max(\bar{\mathbf{c}}_t); \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{c}_t^{max} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^H;$$

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{A} (\text{diag}(\bar{\mathbf{c}}_t) - N^2 \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{A}^H;$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \frac{-\mathbf{A} (\text{diag}(\bar{\mathbf{c}}_t) - \mathbf{c}_t^{max} \mathbf{I} - N^2 \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{A}^H}{\mathbf{c}_t^{max} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^H} \mathbf{x}_t;$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{t+1} = e^{j \arg(\mathbf{y})}; t \leftarrow t + 1;$$

Where $\mathbf{x} = \text{vec}(\Phi^{-1})$.

2. Optimization with respect to \mathbf{P} :

$$\max_{\mathbf{P}} \sum_{k=1}^K \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{p_k}{\sigma^2} \right)$$

$$\text{s.t. } p_k \geq \sigma^2 (2^{R_{min,k}} - 1), \forall k = 1, \dots, K$$

$$\text{tr}((\mathbf{H}_2 \Theta \mathbf{H}_1)^+ \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{H}_2 \Theta \mathbf{H}_1)^+ H) \leq P_{max}$$

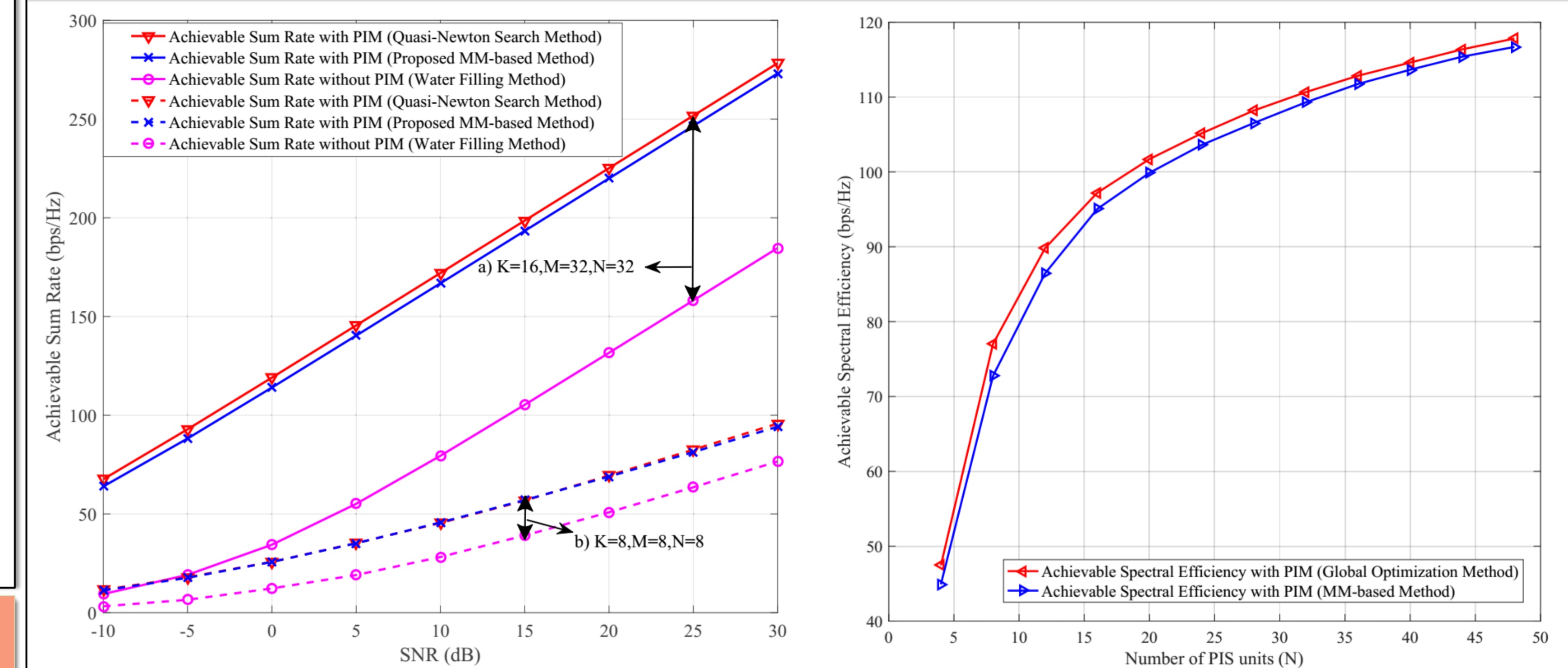
$$p_k = [\alpha \lambda_k - \sigma^2]^+ + \sigma^2 (2^{R_{min,k}} - 1) \lambda_k^{-1}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{q} (P_{max} - \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma^2 (2^{R_{min,k}} - 1) \lambda_k^{-1} + \sigma^2 \sum_{k=1}^q \lambda_k^{-1})$$

Convex, analyzing the Karush–Kuhn–Tucker (KKT) optimality conditions yields:

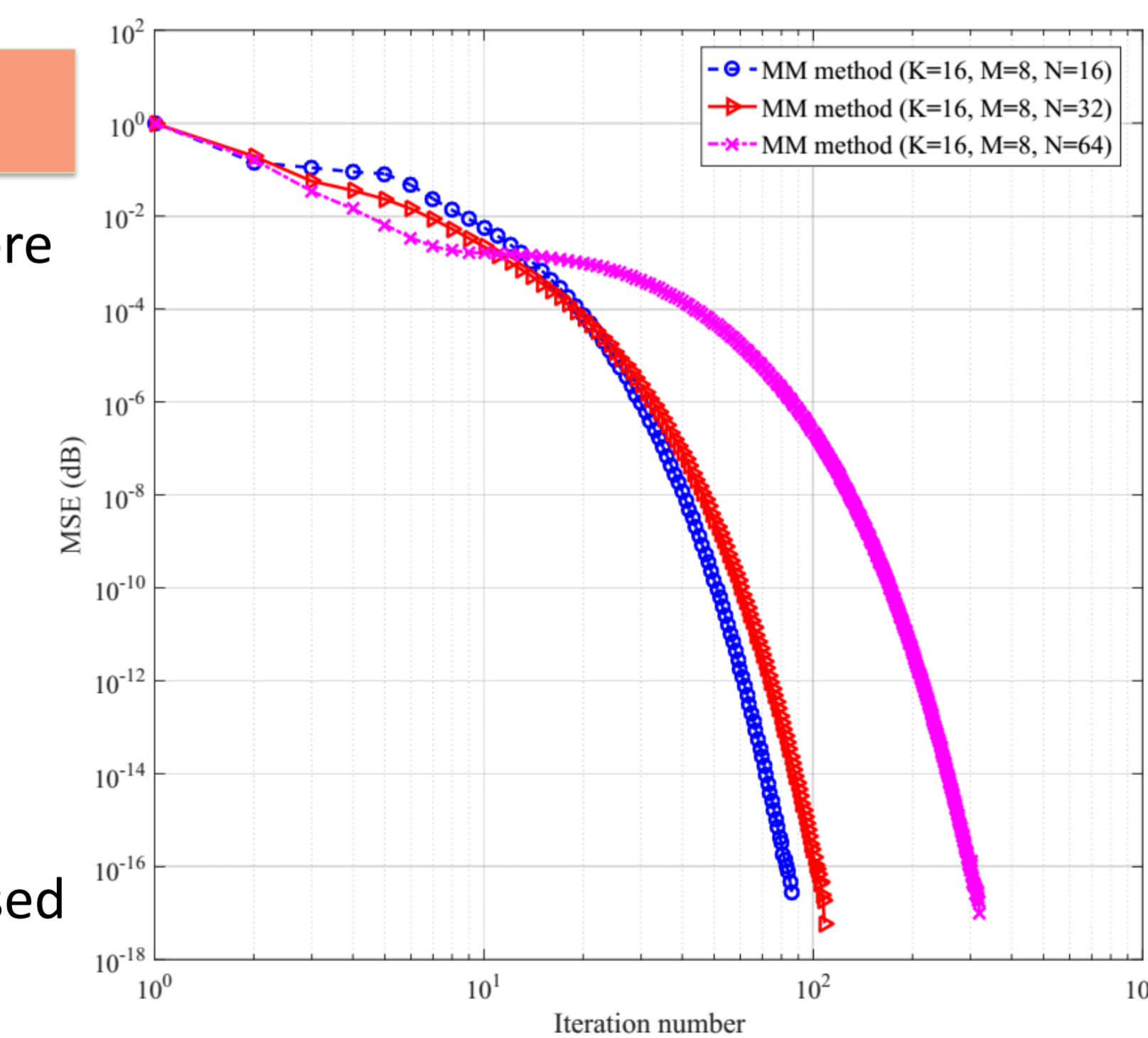
Closed-form solution

Numerical results



Results and Conclusions

- Employing the PIM increases the sum rate by more than 40%;
- Proposed algorithm is approximating the global optimal one;
- proposed Algorithm matches the sum spectral efficiency of optimal method;
- more PIM units the larger the sum spectral efficiency;
- And the increase saturates as PIM units grows;
- very limited complexity of the proposed MM-based method;



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