

# A Low-Complexity LS Turbo Channel Estimation Technique for MU-MIMO Systems

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# Summary

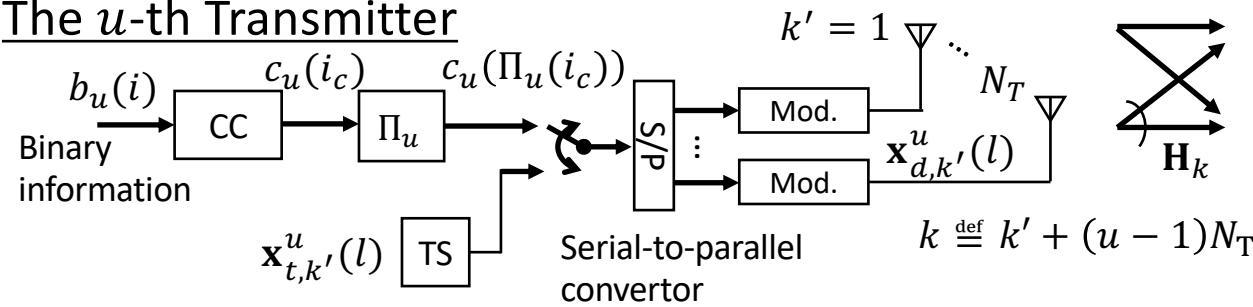
- Turbo Receiver improves the MUI problem in MU-MIMO sys.
- However, the complexity expands as Num. of ANT increases
- Because, in order to deal Spatial matrix  $\Gamma$  correctly

## NEW: Low complexity LS algo. for Turbo receiver

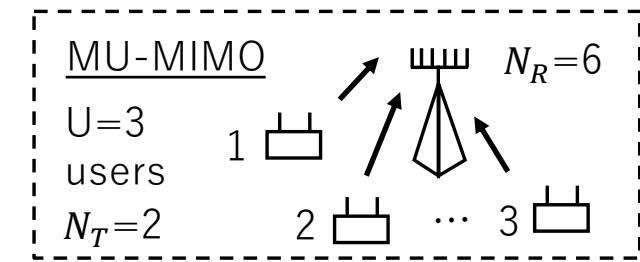
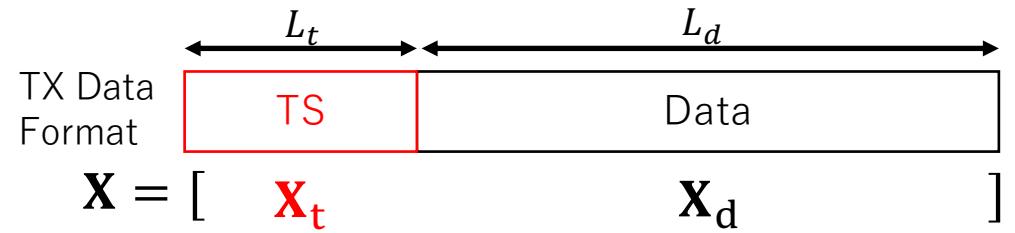
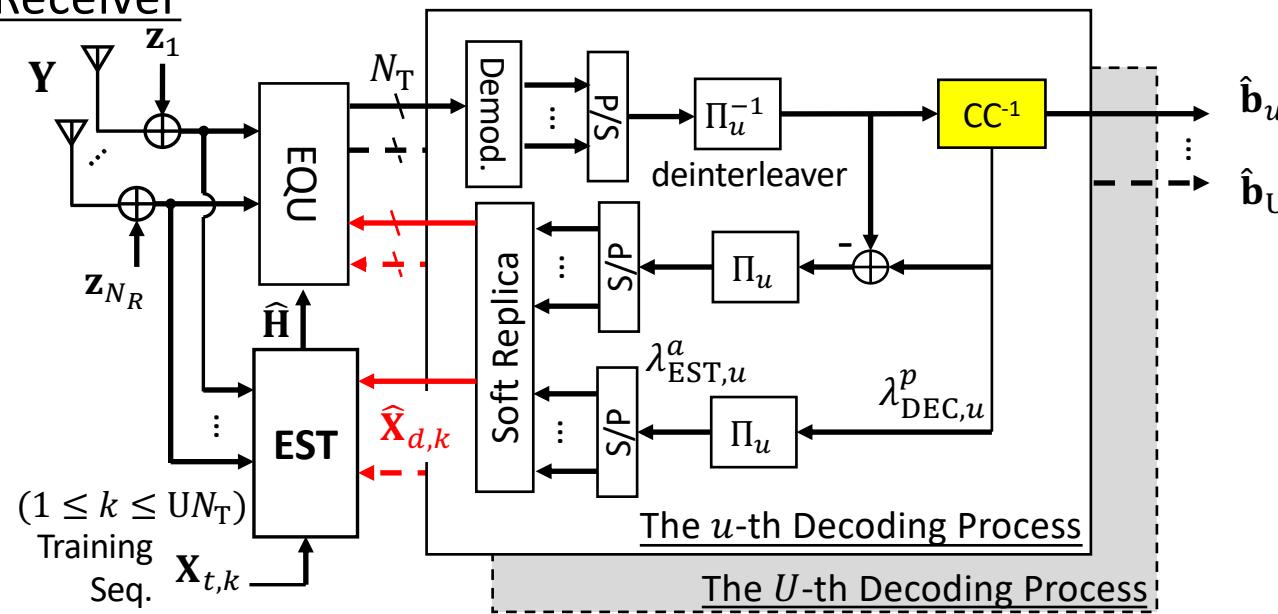
- Independent of Rx Ants.:  $\mathcal{O}(\kappa^3 N_T^3) \leftarrow \mathcal{O}(\kappa^3 N_T^3 N_R^3)$
- **No Accuracy Deterioration !**
- Algebraic property of Cov. Matrix  $\mathfrak{R}_{XX}$  is utilized

# System Model

## The $u$ -th Transmitter



## Receiver



## Turbo Receiver

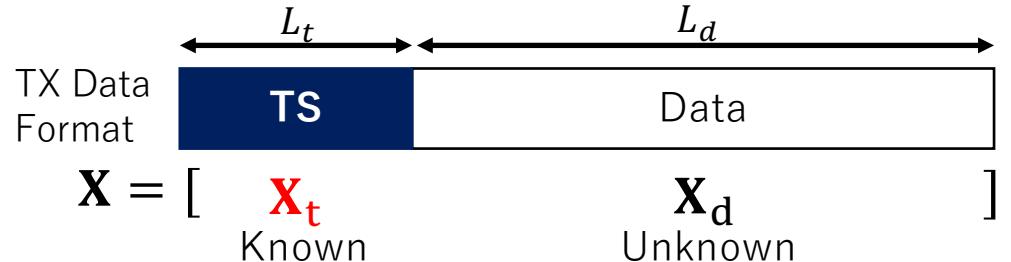
$\hat{X}_{d,k}$  : Replica of TX Data can be obtained from Decoder's feedback info.

LS

## Channel Estimation

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{H}} &= \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{H}} \mathcal{L}_t(\mathbf{H}) \\ &= \mathbf{Y}_t \mathbf{X}_t^+ = \mathbf{Y}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H (\mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H)^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_t(\mathbf{H}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_z^2} \|\mathbf{Y}_t - \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X}_t\|^2$$



$$\text{Rx Signal: } \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Z}$$

$\mathbf{H}$ : Channel

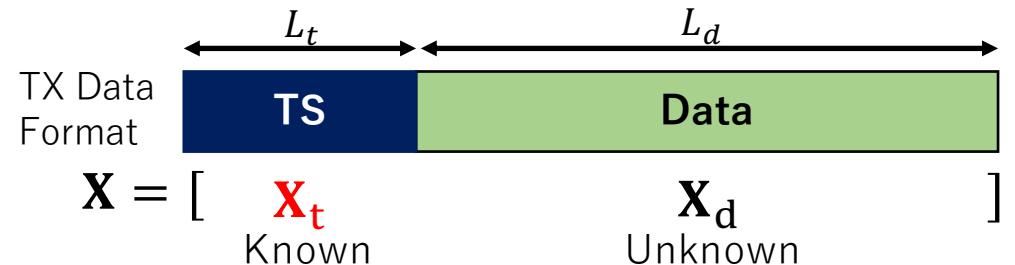
$\mathbf{X}$ : TX Signal

$\mathbf{Z}$ : AWGN  $\sim \mathcal{CN}(0, \sigma_z^2)$

# LS Turbo Channel Estimation

$\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \text{argmin}_{\mathbf{H}} \mathcal{L}_{td}(\mathbf{H})$ , where  $\mathcal{L}_{td}(\mathbf{H}) = \mathcal{L}_t(\mathbf{H}) + \mathcal{L}_d(\mathbf{H})$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}_d(\mathbf{H}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_z^2} \left\| \mathbf{Y}_t - \mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_d \right\|_{\Gamma}^2 \\ = \frac{1}{\sigma_z^2} \text{tr} \left\{ (\mathbf{Y}_d - \mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_d)^H \Gamma (\mathbf{Y}_d - \mathbf{H} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_d) \right\} \\ \mathbf{\Gamma} = (\mathbf{I}_{N_R} + \sum_u \frac{\Delta \sigma_d^2}{\sigma_z^2} \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{H},u}) \end{array} \right.$$



$$\mathbf{X} = [ \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{x}_t & \mathbf{x}_d \\ \hline \text{Known} & \text{Unknown} \end{array} ]$$

Joint Log-Likelihood Function

Spatial Weight Matrix

LS Solution:

$$\text{vec}\{\hat{\mathbf{H}}\} = \boxed{\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{XX}}^{-1}} \cdot \text{vec}\{\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{YX}}\}$$

Gaussian Elimination?  
 $\mathcal{O}((WUN_T N_R)^3)$

Matrix size

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X}_t &: WUN_T \times L_t \\ \widehat{\mathbf{X}}_d &: WUN_T \times L_d \\ \mathbf{Y}_t &: N_R \times L_t \\ \mathbf{Y}_d &: N_R \times L_d\end{aligned}$$

System Size

$W$  : CIR length

$U$  : Num. of Users

$N_T, N_R$  : Tx, Rx Ants.

$L_t, L_d$  : TS, Data Len.

$WUN_T N_R \times WUN_T N_R$  Matrix

$$\boxed{\mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{XX}}} = \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{XX}_t}^T \otimes \mathbf{I}_{N_R} + \widehat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathbf{XX}_d}^T \otimes \Gamma$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{YX}} = \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{YX}_t} + \Gamma \widehat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathbf{YX}_d}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{XX}_t} = \mathbf{X}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H \quad \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{YX}_t} = \mathbf{Y}_t \mathbf{X}_t^H$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mathbf{XX}_d} = \widehat{\mathbf{X}}_d \widehat{\mathbf{X}}_d^H \quad \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{YX}_d} = \mathbf{Y}_d \widehat{\mathbf{X}}_d^H$$

$$\mathcal{O}((WUN_T)^2 L_{td})$$

$$\mathcal{O}(N_R^2 L_{td})$$

$$L_{td} = L_t + L_d$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{XX} = R_{XX_t}^T \otimes I_{N_R} + \widehat{R}_{XX_d}^T \otimes \Gamma$$

$$= \left( R_{XX_t}^{T/2} \otimes I_{N_R} \right) J \left( R_{XX_t}^{T/2} \otimes I_{N_R} \right)^H$$

$$J = I_{WUN_T} \otimes I_{N_R} + \boxed{R_{XX_t}^{-H/2} \widehat{R}_{XX_d}^T R_{XX_t}^{-1/2}} \otimes \Gamma$$

$$= (U_Q \otimes U_\Gamma) \Sigma_J (U_Q \otimes U_\Gamma)^H$$

SVD:  
 $\mathcal{O}(N_R^3)$

$$\boxed{Q} = U_Q \Sigma_Q U_Q^H$$

$$\Gamma = U_\Gamma \Sigma_\Gamma U_\Gamma^H$$

$$\Sigma_J = I_{WUN_T N_R} + \Sigma_Q \otimes \Sigma_\Gamma$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{XX}^{-1} = (\tilde{U}_Q \otimes U_\Gamma) \boxed{\Sigma_J^{-1}} (\tilde{U}_Q \otimes U_\Gamma)^H$$

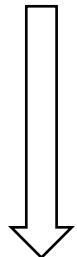
Unitary

Diagonal

Unitary

$$\text{vec}\{\widehat{\mathbf{H}}\} = \mathfrak{R}_{\mathbf{XX}}^{-1} \cdot \text{vec}\{\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{YX}}\}$$

Multiplications of  
**Huge** Matrices ?  $\mathcal{O}((WUN_T N_R)^3)$



$$\mathfrak{R}_{\mathbf{XX}}^{-1} = \boxed{(\widetilde{\mathbf{U}}_{\mathbf{Q}} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{\Gamma}) \cdot \Sigma_{\mathbf{J}}^{-1} \cdot (\widetilde{\mathbf{U}}_{\mathbf{Q}} \otimes \mathbf{U}_{\Gamma})^H}$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{H}} = \text{mat}_{N_R}[\text{vec}\{\widehat{\mathbf{H}}\}]$$

Revert **vec**-operation  
 $(\mathbf{C}^T \otimes \mathbf{A}) \text{ vec}\{\mathbf{B}\} = \text{vec}\{\mathbf{ABC}\}$

$$= \mathbf{U}_{\Gamma} \text{mat}_{N_R}[\mathbf{v}] \widetilde{\mathbf{U}}_{\mathbf{Q}}^T$$

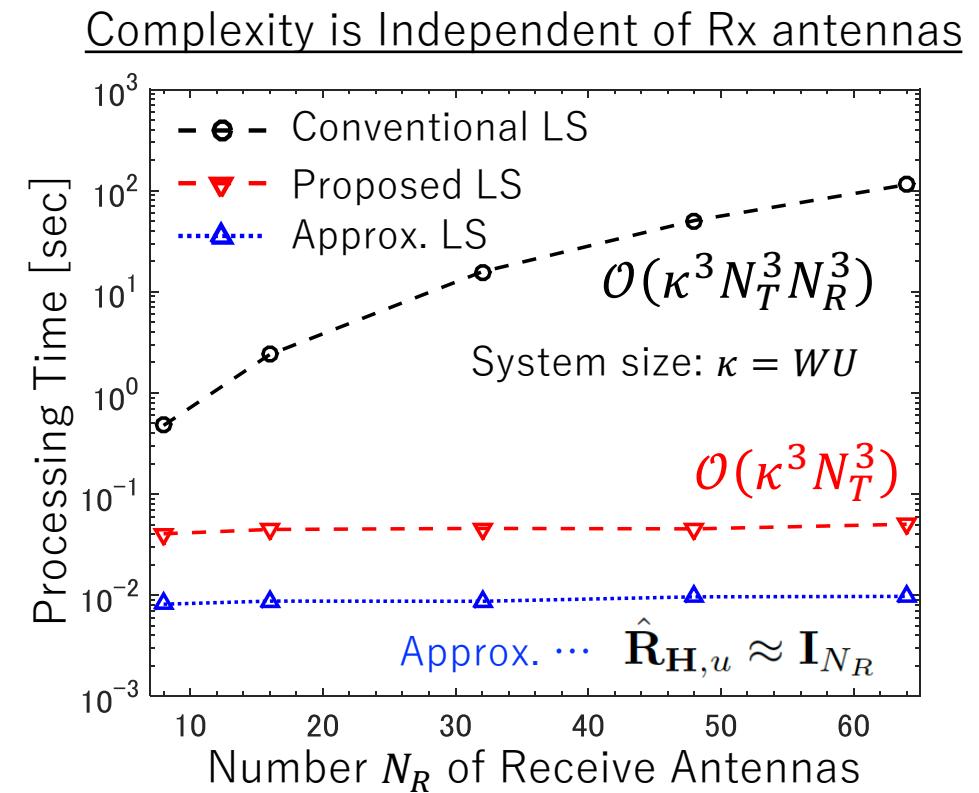
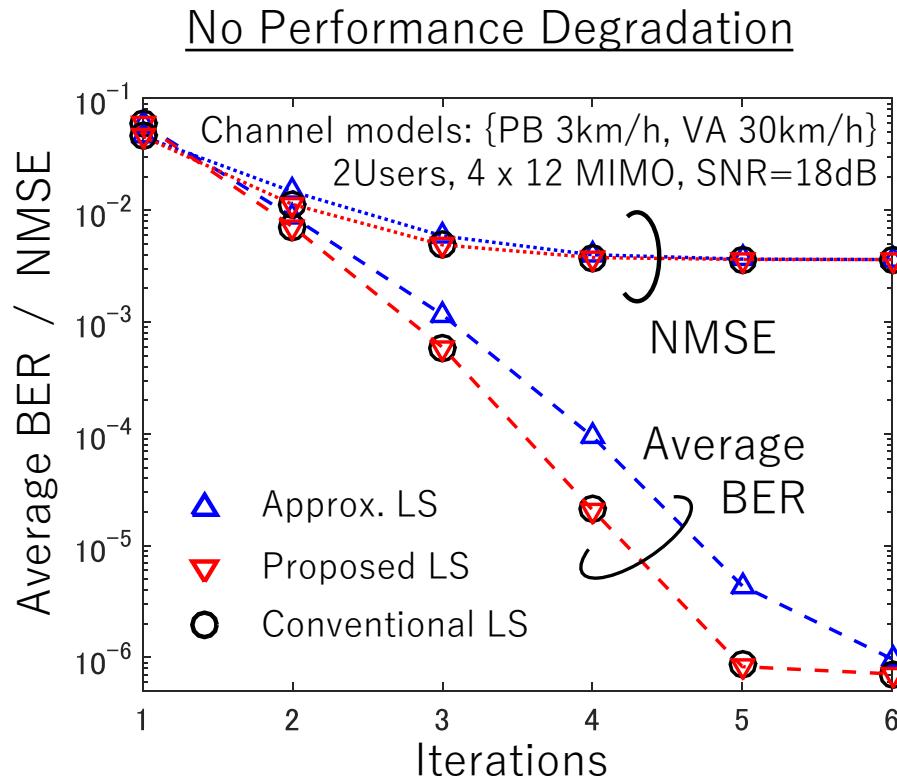
$$\mathbf{v} = \text{diag}\{\Sigma_{\mathbf{J}}^{-1}\} \odot \text{vec}\{\widetilde{\mathbf{U}}_{\mathbf{Q}}^H \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{YX}} \mathbf{U}_{\Gamma}^*\}$$

**Small**  
Matrices  
 $\mathcal{O}(N_R^3)$

Consequently,  $\mathcal{O}((WUN_T)^3)$  when  $WUN_T \ll N_R$

$$\leftarrow \mathcal{O}\left((WUN_T)^3 + N_R^3 + (WUN_T)^2 L_{td}\right)$$

# Numerical Results



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