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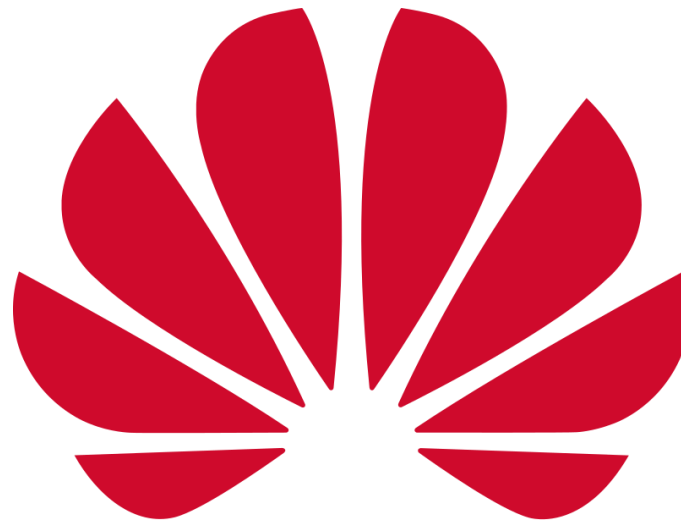
Cell-free Massive MIMO: Exploiting the WAX Decomposition.

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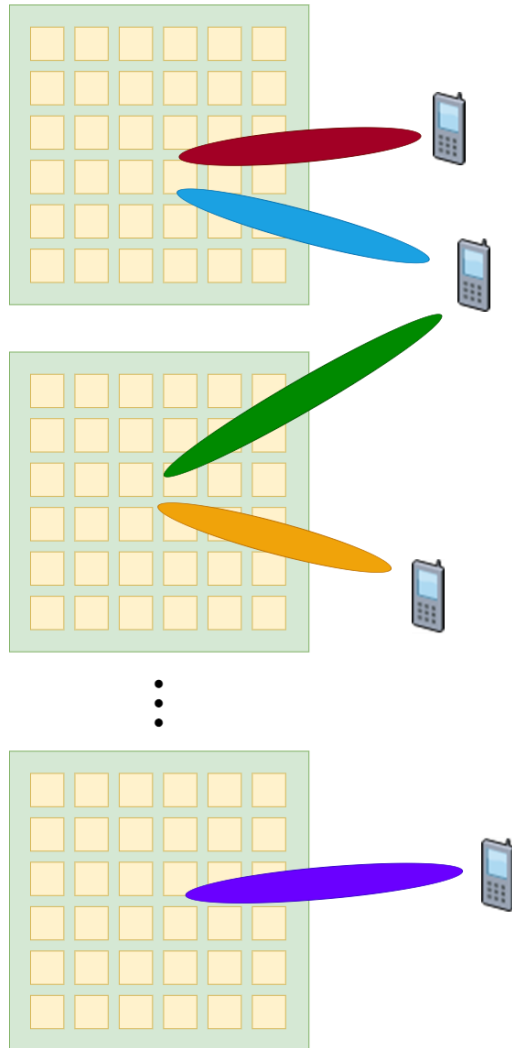


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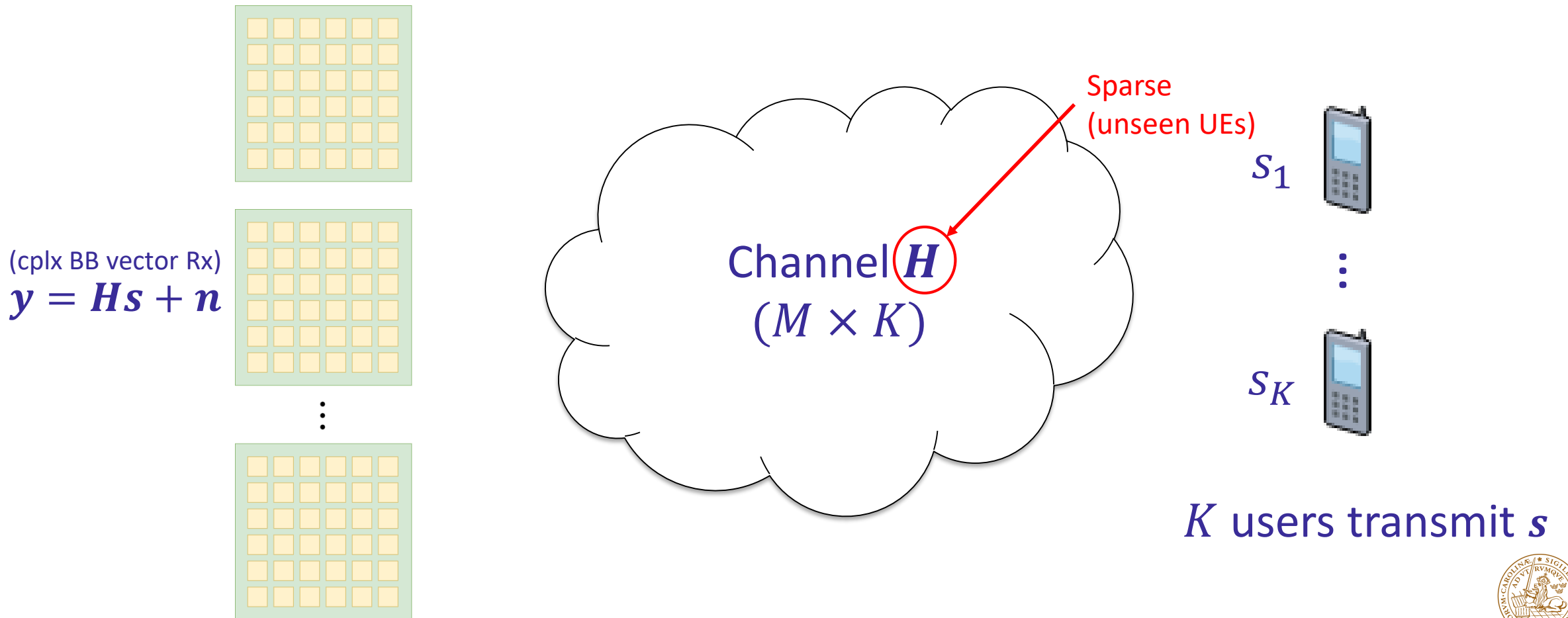
Introduction



- ❑ Mobile broadband communications (5G, 6G, etc)
- ❑ Cell-free massive MIMO
- ❑ Massive number of antennas/APs.
- ❑ Centralized processing: Increased interconnection bandwidth to CPU.
- ❑ Trend towards decentralized. Increase complexity at the nodes to reduce information transfer to CPU.



General scenario (uplink)

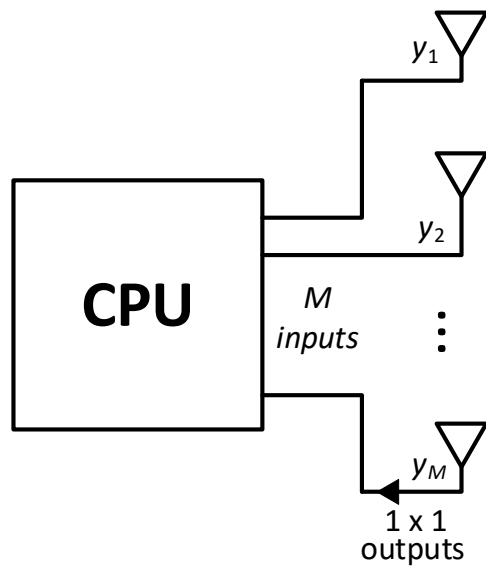


P cell-free mMIMO APs, N antennas each

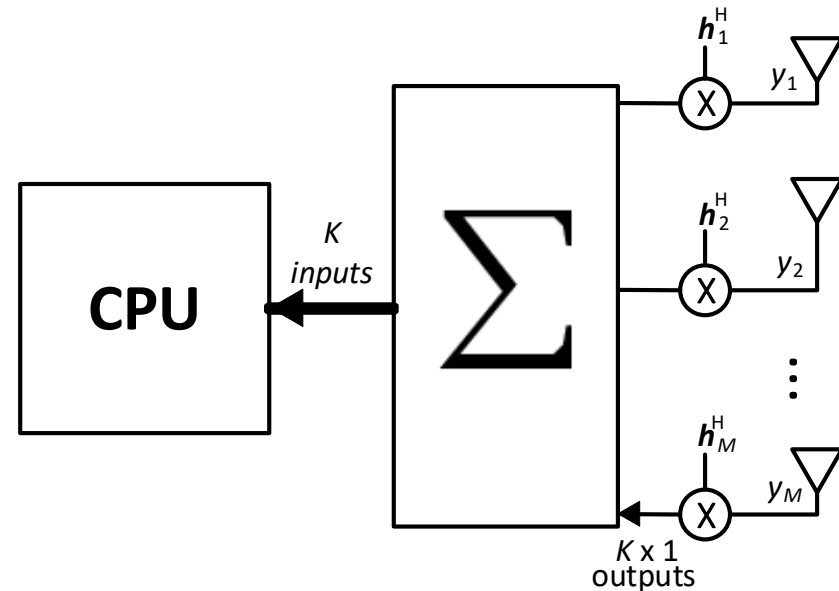
$M = PN$ total antennas



Centralized VS Decentralized (Background)



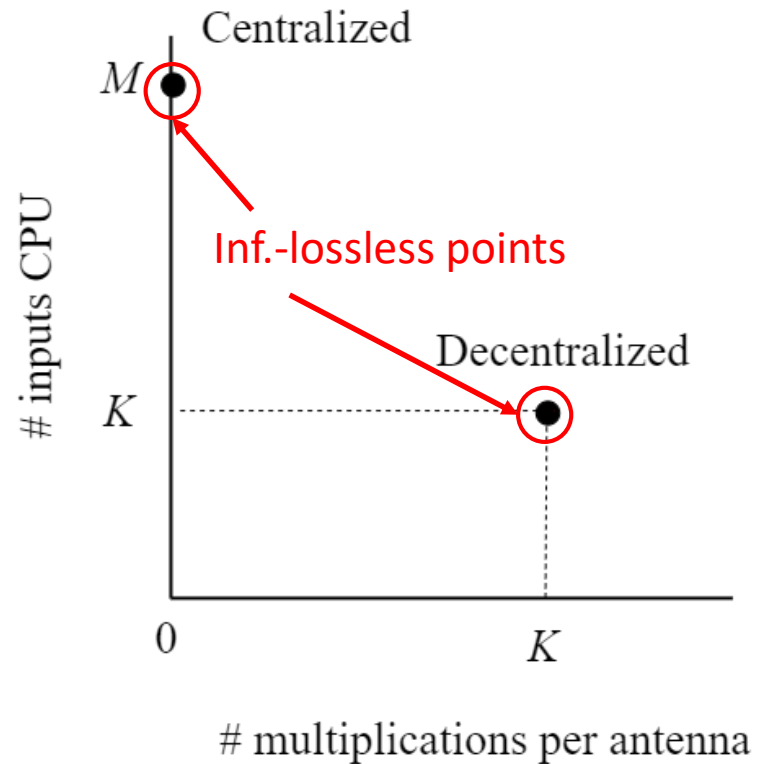
VS



- Information lossless (both)
- M vs K inputs to CPU
- 0 vs K multiplications per antenna

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Trade-off (Background)



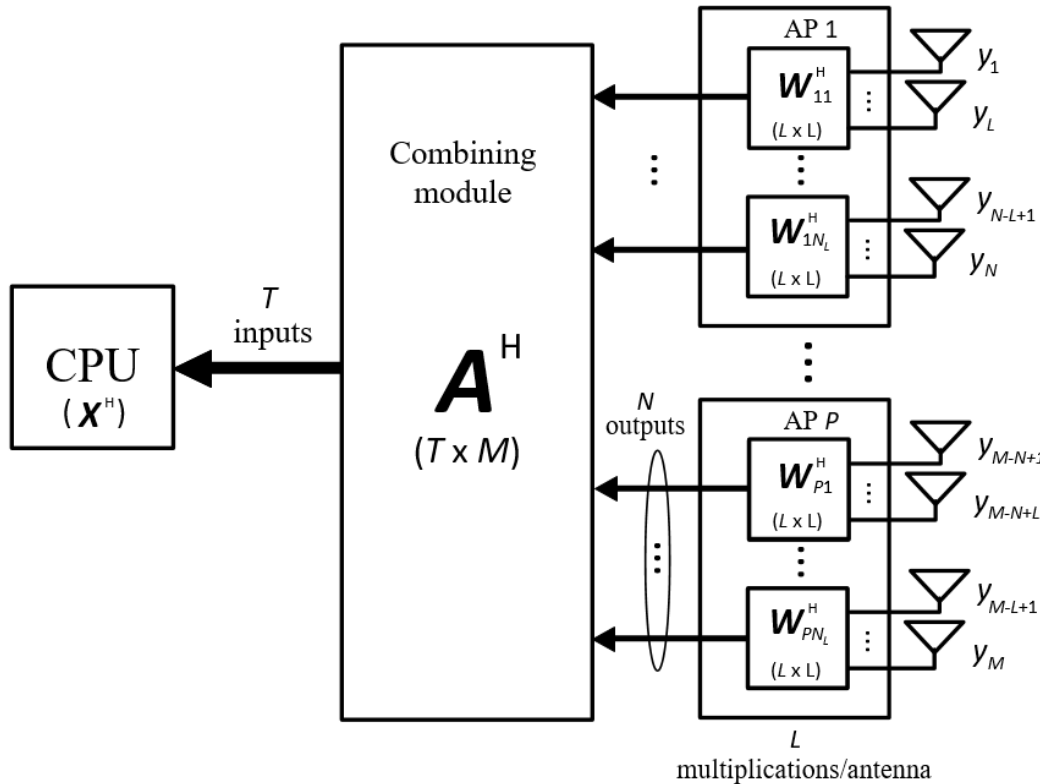
Level of decentralization (inputs CPU)

VS

Decentralized processing complexity
(mult. per antenna)



System model

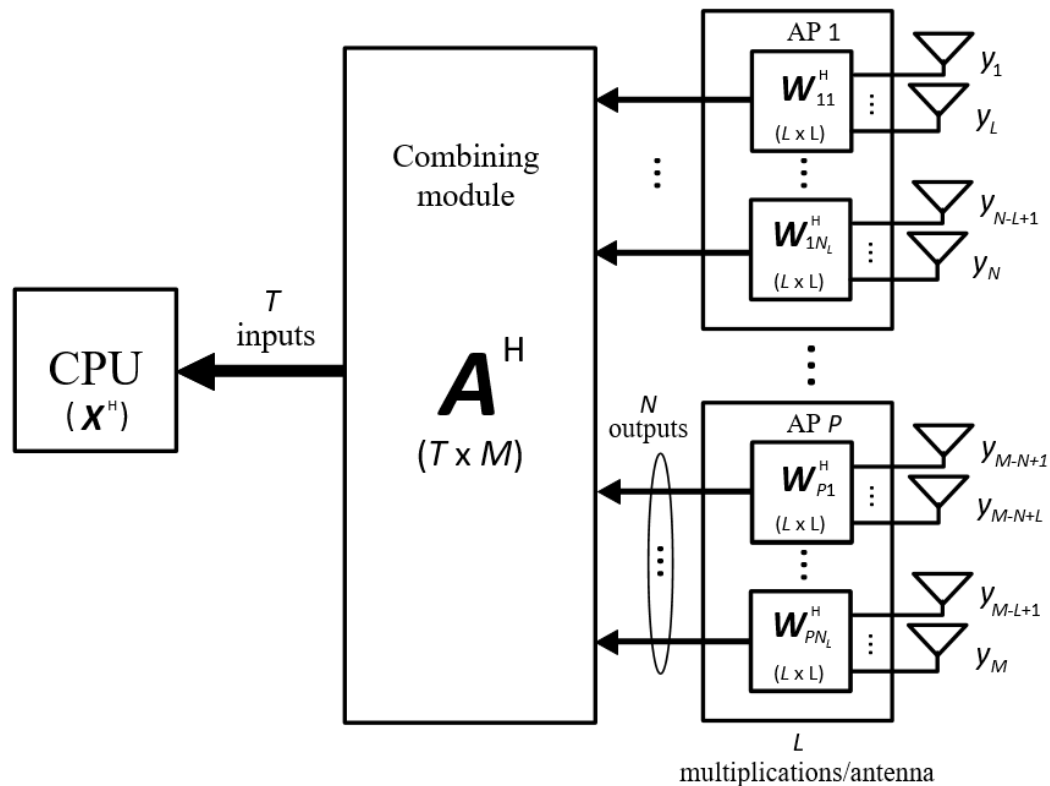


- ❑ Trade-off parameters L, T
- ❑ Design variables $A (M \times T)$
- ❑ Tunable variables $W_{pn} (L \times L), X (T \times ?)$

- ❑ $T \rightarrow$ # inputs to CPU
- ❑ $L \rightarrow$ # mult. per ant.
- ❑ $A \rightarrow$ Combining module (HW?)
- ❑ $W_{pn} \rightarrow$ Decentralized filters
- ❑ $X \rightarrow$ Processing at CPU

[2] J. Vidal Alegría et al., "Trade-offs in Decentralized Multi-Antenna Architectures: The WAX Decomposition", *TSP*, 2020. (General framework)

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Resulting linear processing

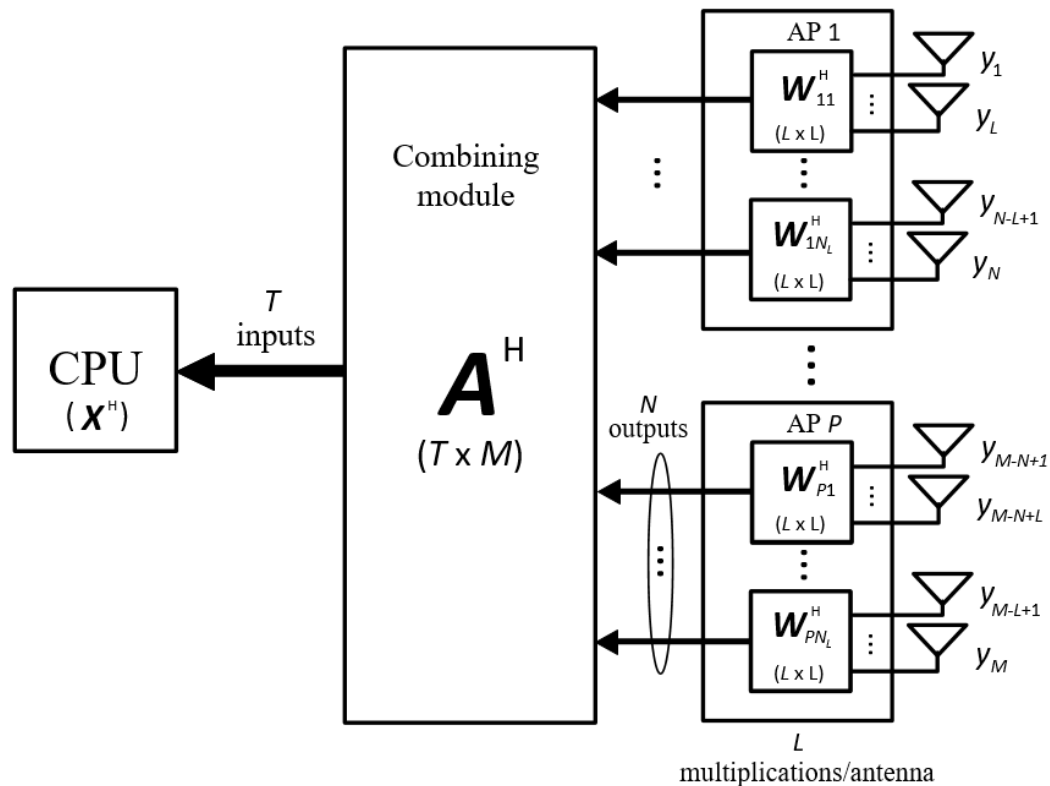
$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{X}^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{W}^H \mathbf{y}, \quad \mathbf{W} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{W}_{11}, \dots, \mathbf{W}_{PN_L})$$

(Recall $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{n}$)

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MF simple information-lossless transformation

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{H}^H \mathbf{y}$$

Information lossless $\Leftrightarrow I(\mathbf{z}; \mathbf{s}) = I(\mathbf{y}; \mathbf{s}) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{W} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{H}$, for some \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{X}
(See [2])





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Previous results

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WAX decomposition (Previous work from [2])

- Decomposition of H ($M \times K$) for fixed A ($M \times T$), where $W = \text{diag}(W_{11}, \dots, W_{PN_L})$, $W_{pn}(L \times L)$.

$$H = WAX$$

Example:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}}_W \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -1 & -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}}_X = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -4 & -3 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & -2 & -2 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 5 & 4 & -4 \\ 2 & -2 & 3 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & -2 & 2 & 0 & -8 \end{bmatrix}}_H$$

WAX decomposition (Previous work from [2])

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}$$

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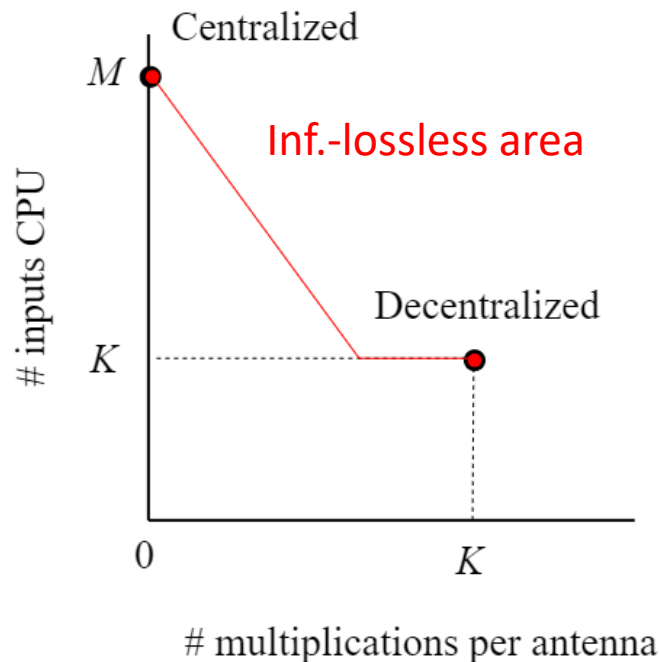
- Main result:

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$$T > \min \left[M \frac{K - L}{K}, K - 1 \right]$$

a randomly chosen \mathbf{H} (e.g., IID Rayleigh fading) accepts WAX decomposition with probability 1

Inf.-lossless processing within our system model for e.g. IID channel



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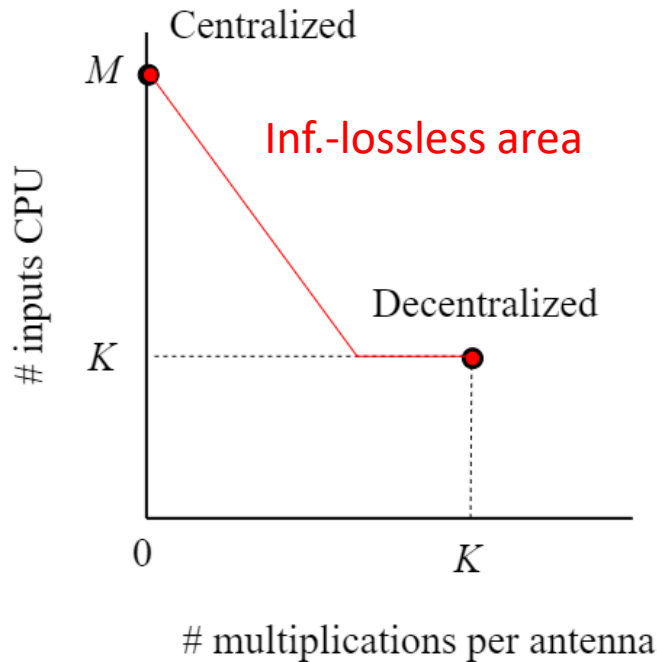
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What about sparse H ?

a randomly chosen H (e.g., IID Rayleigh fading) accepts WAX decomposition with probability 1

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Follow up work

Application of WAX decomposition to sparse H matrices



WAX decomposition for sparse \mathbf{H} (2 APs)

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \overbrace{\mathbf{H}_{11}}^{N \times K_1} & \mathbf{0}_{N \times K_2} & \overbrace{\mathbf{H}_{13}}^{N \times K_3} \\ \mathbf{0}_{N \times K_1} & \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_{22}}_{N \times K_2} & \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_{23}}_{N \times K_3} \end{pmatrix}$$

□ General channel for the 2 APs scenario

$K_1 \rightarrow$ # UEs seen by AP1

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$K_3 \rightarrow$ # UEs seen by AP1 and AP2



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Still block-diagonal ($N \times N$ submatrices of W)

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} W_1 & \mathbf{0}_{N \times N} \\ \mathbf{0}_{N \times N} & W_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{pmatrix} (X_1 \ X_2 \ X_3)$$

2 WAX decomposition sub-problems

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} W_1 \tilde{A}_1 \tilde{X}_1 = H_{11} & \tilde{A}_1 \text{ is } N \times (T - N) \\ W_2 \tilde{A}_2 \tilde{X}_2 = H_{22} & \tilde{A}_2 \text{ is } N \times (T - N) \end{cases}$$



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New conditions:

$$\begin{cases} (T - N) > \min \left(N \frac{K_1 - L}{K_1}, K_1 - 1 \right) \\ (T - N) > \min \left(N \frac{K_2 - L}{K_2}, K_2 - 1 \right) \end{cases} \leftarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{W}_1 \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_1 = \mathbf{H}_{11} & \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 \text{ is } N \times (T - N) \\ \mathbf{W}_2 \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_2 \tilde{\mathbf{X}}_2 = \mathbf{H}_{22} & \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_2 \text{ is } N \times (T - N) \end{cases}$$

2 WAX decomposition sub-problems



WAX decomposition for sparse \mathbf{H} (general)

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \overbrace{b_{11}\mathbf{H}_{11}}^{N \times K_1} & \cdots & \overbrace{b_{1C}\mathbf{H}_{1C}}^{N \times K_C} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \overbrace{b_{P1}\mathbf{H}_{P1}} & \cdots & \overbrace{b_{PC}\mathbf{H}_{PC}} \end{pmatrix}$$

□ General channel for any # of APs

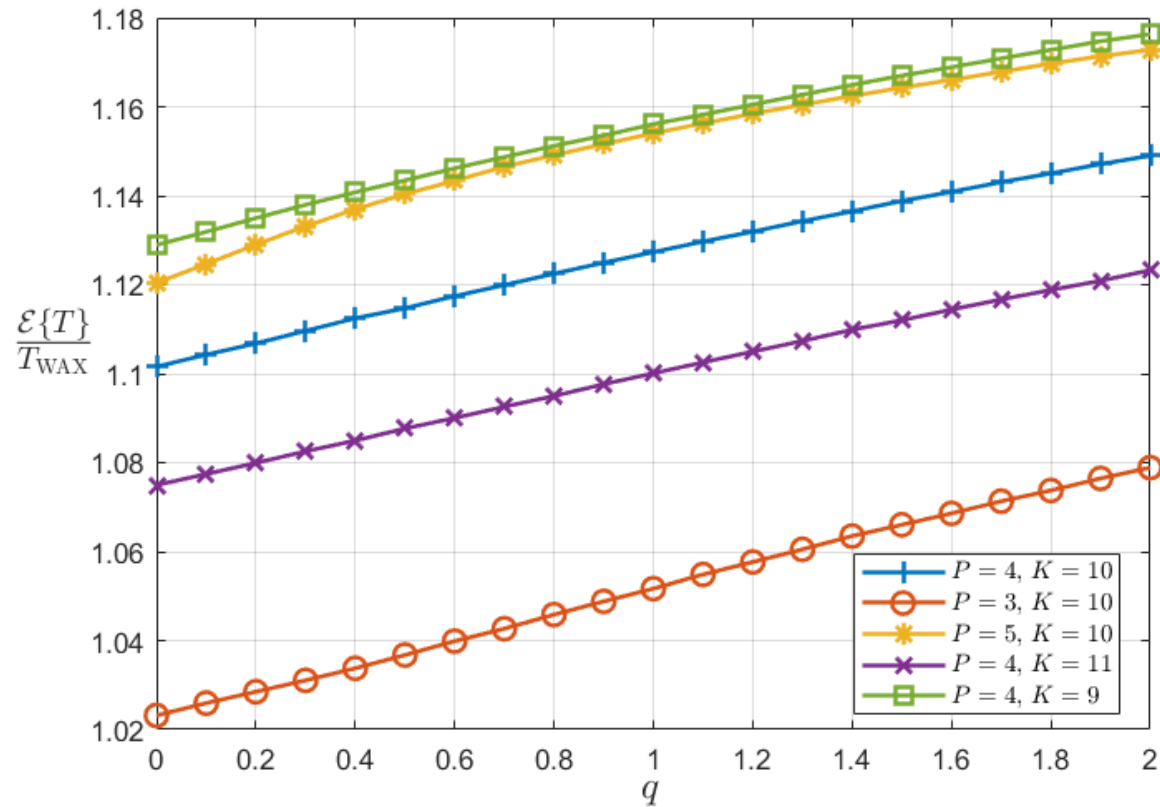
$$C = 2^P - 1$$

$$\mathbf{b}_j = (b_{j1} \cdots b_{jC})_2 \longrightarrow \text{binary of } j$$

New conditions: $T - (P - \|\mathbf{b}_j\|_1)N > \min\left(\|\mathbf{b}_j\|_1 N \frac{K_j - L}{K_j}, K_1 - 1\right), j = 1, \dots, C$



Numerical results



□ $L = 2, N = 16$

□ $T_{\text{WAX}} \rightarrow \text{opt. } T \text{ for non-sparse } \mathbf{H}$

□ # panels seen by each user is random, $p(n) = a/n^q$

Degradation over original WAX trade-off v.s. Sparsity of \mathbf{H}

Wrap-up

- ❑ Centralized VS Decentralized. Connections to CPU VS Mult./antenna
- ❑ WAX decomposition for inf.-lossless processing
- ❑ Sparsity of \mathbf{H} restricts trade-off
- ❑ More sparsity \Rightarrow greater degradation

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