# Adaptive Spatial Modulation Using Huffman Coding

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# **Spatial Modulation**



#### Benefits

- Low hardware cost: only one RF-chain needed
- Low-complexity signal processing
- High spectral and energy efficiency
- Challenges
  - No transmit diversity
  - Poor anti-fading ability: transmission scheme is independent of the specific channel

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## **Motivations**

The application of spatial modulation requires favorable propagation conditions. What can we do to enhance the system performance?

- Diagonal precoder designs for spatial modulation [2][3];
  - Difficult to implement: NP-hard;
  - Cause high peak-to-average power ratio among the transmit antennas.

#### Huffman coding based adaptive spatial modulation;

- A unified single RF chain transmission scheme that generalizes both *transmit antenna selection* and *spatial modulation*;
- Both diversity and antenna index benefit obtained;
- Equal power for all the transmit antennas.

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System Model

# System Model



Figure: Structure of Huffman coding based adaptive spatial modulation

The data stream is split into two independent streams.

- Signal information is conveyed via the APM signal *s*
- Antenna information decides which antenna is activated to send s
  - The specific Huffman mapping scheme is decided by p
  - The optimal p is dependent on channel H

#### System Model

# System Model

The transmitted signal x is

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & s \cdots & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^T \tag{1}$$

One out of N<sub>t</sub>elements is nonzero

and (1) can be decomposed and rewritten as

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{s}$$

The antenna vector r is chosen from

$$C_{\mathbf{r}} = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \ \mathbf{e}_2, \ ..., \ \mathbf{e}_{N_t}\}$$
 (3)

 $\mathbf{e}_i$  is an  $N_t \times 1$  vector with the  $i^{th}$  element being 1 and the rest 0. The probability of selecting the  $i^{th}$  antenna is

$$Prob(\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{e}_i) = p_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N_t$$
 (4)

The amplitude phase modulated (APM) signal *s* can be

- Complex Gaussian distributed, i.e., *s* ~ *CN* (0, 1)
- QAM modulated signal, e.g., BPSK, QPSK, 8PSK, 16QAM.

(2)

#### System Model

# System Model

In conventional spatial modulation, the probability vector p is

$$\mathbf{p} = \left[\frac{1}{N_t}, \frac{1}{N_t}, \cdots, \frac{1}{N_t}\right]$$
(5)

Up to  $\log_2 N_t$  bits extra information can be conveyed by antenna index.

In transmit antenna selection, the probability vector p is

$$p_j = 1, \quad j = \operatorname{argmax}_{\hat{i}}\{\|\mathbf{h}_{\hat{i}}\|\}$$

$$p_i = 0, \quad \forall i \neq j$$
(6)

Only the strongest transmit antenna j is selected to convey the signal information and no information is conveyed via antenna index.

Mapping schemes for other values of p?

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# Huffman Mapping



Figure: Huffman trees corresponding to (a)  $\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$  (i.e., conventional SM), (b)  $\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8} \end{bmatrix}$ 

# Huffman Mapping

Table: HUFFMAN MAPPING SCHEME FOR  $\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8} \end{bmatrix}$ 

Bit Sequence	Spatial Symbol (r)	Probability (p)
0	$Tx-1(e_1)$	50%
10	$Tx-2(e_2)$	25%
110	$Tx-3(e_3)$	12.5%
111	$Tx-4(e_4)$	12.5%

- Table 1 is a bijective function between the binary bits and antenna index, no codeword is a prefix of any other codeword
- The incoming antenna information bits are sequentially detected and then mapped into different transmit antenna indices
- The transmitted antenna information is up to  $\frac{1}{2} \times 1 + \frac{1}{4} \times 2 + \frac{1}{8} \times 3 + \frac{1}{8} \times 3 = 1.75$ bits, when  $\mathbf{p} = \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}\right]$ .

# Mapping Scheme Selection

• The objective of adaptive spatial modulation is to find **p** that optimizes system performance, i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} \max_{\mathbf{p}} C(\mathbf{p}) \\ s.t. \ \mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{P} \end{cases}$$
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 $C(\mathbf{p})$  is the channel capacity that consists of signal carried information and antenna index carried information.

What is the optimal tradeoff that leads to the maximized  $C(\mathbf{p})$ ?

• Due to the binary nature of the proposed Huffman coding scheme, the feasible domain of **p** is a discrete set which can be represented as

$$\mathbb{P} = \left\{ \mathbf{p} | \sum_{i=1}^{N_i} p_i = 1, p_i \in \{0, 1, 2^{-1}, \cdots, 2^{-\beta}\} \right\}$$
(8)

and  $\beta$  ( $0 \le \beta \le N_t - 1$ ) is an integer and is related to transmission codebook size.

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#### Capacity Results

# **Capacity Bounds**

• The channel capacity *C* is upper bounded by

$$C^{+} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{t}} p_{i} \log_{2}(1+\rho ||\mathbf{h}_{i}||^{2})}_{I(s;\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{r})} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{t}} p_{i} \log_{2} \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{t}} p_{j} e^{-D(f_{i}(\mathbf{y})||f_{j}(\mathbf{y}))}}_{I^{+}(\mathbf{r};\mathbf{y})}$$
(9)

where

$$D(f_i(\mathbf{y})||f_j(\mathbf{y})) = \ln \frac{1+\rho ||\mathbf{h}_j||^2}{1+\rho ||\mathbf{h}_i||^2} + \frac{\rho ||\mathbf{h}_i||^2 - \rho ||\mathbf{h}_j||^2}{1+\rho ||\mathbf{h}_j||^2} + \frac{\rho^2 ||\mathbf{h}_i||^2 ||\mathbf{h}_j||^2 \sin^2(\angle(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{h}_j))}{1+\rho ||\mathbf{h}_j||^2}$$

The channel capacity C is lower bounded by

$$C^{-} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{t}} p_{i} \log_{2}(1+\rho ||\mathbf{h}_{i}||^{2})}_{I(s;\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{r})} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{N_{t}} p_{i} \log_{2} \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{t}} p_{j}B_{ij}}}_{I^{-}(\mathbf{r};\mathbf{y})}$$
(10)

where

$$B_{ij} = \frac{\sqrt{(1+\rho||\mathbf{h}_i||^2)(1+\rho||\mathbf{h}_j||^2)}}{1+\frac{\rho}{2}(||\mathbf{h}_i||^2+||\mathbf{h}_j||^2)+\frac{\rho^2}{4}||\mathbf{h}_i||^2||\mathbf{h}_j||^2\sin^2(\angle(\mathbf{h}_i,\mathbf{h}_j))}$$

# **Capacity Bounds**



#### The capacity bounds are tight in asymptotic low SNR regime and high SNR regime.

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# **Capacity Comparison**



Figure: Capacity comparison  $(N_t = 4, N_r = 2)$ 

# Capacity comparison with reduced codebook size

Table: CARDINALITY OF  $\mathbb{P}$  WHEN  $N_t = 4$ 

β	0	1	2	3
$\mathbb{P}$	4	10	23	35



**Figure:** Capacity comparison with different values of  $\beta_{-}(N_t = 4, N_r = 2)$ ,  $\lambda_{-} = 0$ 

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### Conclusion

- A unified adaptive transmission scheme for single-RF chain MIMO is proposed in this paper. With Huffman mapping, the transmitter can activate each transmit antenna with different probabilities so as to optimize the performance.
- Numerical results show that the adaptive spatial modulation offers performance improvement over both conventional spatial modulation and transmit antenna selection.

Conclusion



# Thank you

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