# Minimax Duality of Gaussian Vector Broadcast Channels

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## **Reciprocity in Gaussian Vector Channels**



- Capacities of the channels H and  $H^T$  are the same
  - under the same power constraint;
  - even if H is not square.
- Proof: H and  $H^T$  have the same singular values.

## **Reciprocity for Multi-User Channels**



- Duality exists between Gaussian vector MAC and BC Channels (Vishwanath, Jindal, Goldsmith '03, Viswanath, Tse '03).
- Goal of this talk: Generalization and re-interpretation of duality.

# **Uplink-Downlink Duality**

The multiple-access channel and the broadcast channel are duals.



Previous proofs of duality depend critically on the power constraint.

Why is there duality?

#### Main Results of This Talk

- 1. Uplink-Downlink Duality is equivalent to Lagrangian Duality
- 2. Duality generalizes beyond the sum power constraint



Broadcast Channel with  $\iff$  Multiple Access Channel with Arbitrary input constraints Uncertain noise

## Multiple Antenna Broadcast Channel

• Non-degraded Gaussian vector broadcast channel:



- Capacity region is solved recently.
  - This talk focuses on sum capacity  $C = \max\{R_1 + \cdots + R_K\}$ .

#### Achievability: Writing on Dirty Paper



• Capacities are the same if S is known *non-causally* at the transmitter.

# **Converse: Sato's Outer Bound**

• Broadcast capacity does not depend on noise correlation: Sato ('78).



• So, sum capacity 
$$C \leq \min_{S_z} \max_{S_x} I(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{Y}).$$

# **Three Achievability Proofs**

- 1. Decision-Feedback Equalization approach (Yu, Cioffi)
  - Worst-noise diagonalizes the feedforward matrix of a DFE.
- 2. Uplink-Downlink duality approach (Viswanath, Tse)
  - Noise covariance is equivalent to the input constraint in dual channel.
  - Worst-noise decouples the inputs in the dual channel.
- 3. Convex duality approach (Vishwanath, Jindal, Goldsmith)
  - Channel flipping between multiple access channel and broadcast channel.

This talk: A new derivation of duality.

# **Gaussian Broadcast Channel Sum Capacity**

- Achievability:  $C \ge \max_{S_x} \min_{S_z} I(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{Y}).$
- Converse:  $C \leq \min_{S_z} \max_{S_x} I(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{Y}).$
- Gaussian vector broadcast channel sum capacity is therefore exactly:

$$C = \max_{S_x} \min_{S_z} \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|HS_x H^T + S_z|}{|S_z|}$$

Duality can be derived directly from the minimax expression!

## **Minimax Optimization**

• Gaussian vector broadcast channel sum capacity is the solution of

$$\max_{S_x} \min_{S_z} \quad \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|HS_x H^T + S_z|}{|S_z|}$$
  
subject to  $\operatorname{tr}(S_x) \leq P$   
 $S_z = \begin{bmatrix} I & \star \\ \star & I \end{bmatrix}$   
 $S_x, S_z \geq 0$ 

- The minimax problem is **convex** in  $S_z$ , **concave** in  $S_x$ .
  - How to solve this minimax problem?

## **Duality through Minimax**

• Two KKT conditions must be satisfied simultaneously:

$$H^{T}(HS_{x}H^{T} + S_{z})^{-1}H = \lambda I$$
$$S_{z}^{-1} - (HS_{x}H^{T} + S_{z})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \Psi_{1} & 0\\ 0 & \Psi_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

• For the moment, assume that *H* is invertible.

$$\Rightarrow H^T S_z^{-1} H - \lambda I = H^T \Psi H$$
$$\Rightarrow H (H^T \Psi H + \lambda I)^{-1} H^T = S_z$$

• Further manipulation:  $\Rightarrow (\lambda I)^{-1} - (H^T \Psi H + \lambda I)^{-1} = S_x.$ 

## **A New Minimax Duality**

KKT conditions lead to a new minimax problem:



Minimax duality is equivalent to Lagrangian duality.

#### **Construct the Dual Channel**

KKT condition:  $H(H^T\Psi H + \lambda I)^{-1}H^T = S_z$ 

• Define the diagonal matrix:  $D = \Psi/\lambda$ . trace $(D) = \sum_i \Psi_i/\lambda = P$ .

• 
$$S_z = \begin{bmatrix} I & \star \\ \star & I \end{bmatrix}$$
. Thus, constraint on  $D$ : trace $(D_1)$  + trace $(D_2) \le P$ .

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# **Uplink-Downlink Duality**



**Theorem 1.** Under the same power constraint, the Gaussian vector multiple-access channel and the Gaussian vector broadcast channel have the same sum capacity.

New Proof: By re-defining  $D = \Psi/\lambda$ , the minimization part of the minimax dual problem disappears.

## **Generalized Minimax Duality**

Theorem 1 may be generalized to arbitrary linear constraints:

$$\max_{S_x} \min_{S_z} \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|HS_x H^T + S_z|}{|S_z|} \qquad \max_{\Sigma_z} \min_{\Sigma_x} \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|H^T \Sigma_z H + \Sigma_x|}{|\Sigma_x|}$$
  
s.t.  $\operatorname{tr}(S_x Q_x) \le 1$  s.t.  $\operatorname{tr}(\Sigma_z \Psi_z) \le 1$   
 $\operatorname{tr}(S_z Q_z) \le 1$   $\operatorname{tr}(\Sigma_x \Psi_x) \le 1$   
 $S_x, S_z \ge 0$   $\Sigma_x, \Sigma_z \ge 0$ 

Relation:  $S_x = \lambda_x \Psi_x$   $S_z = \lambda_z \Psi_z$   $\Sigma_x = \lambda_x Q_x$   $\Sigma_z = \lambda_z Q_z$ 

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#### **Generalized Uplink-Downlink Duality**



 $Q_1$ : Input constraint in BC and Noise covariance in MAC.  $Q_2$ : Worst noise covariance in BC and Input constraint in MAC.

#### **Per-Antenna Power Constrained Broadcast Channel**

$$\begin{split} \max_{S_x} \min_{S_z} & \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|HS_x H^T + S_z|}{|S_z|} & \max_{\Psi} \min_{\Lambda} & \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|H^T \Psi H + \Lambda|}{|\Lambda|} \\ \text{s.t.} & S_x(i,i) \le P_i & \text{s.t.} & \operatorname{tr}(\Psi) \le \sum_i P_i \\ & S_z = \begin{bmatrix} I & \star \\ \star & I \end{bmatrix} & \sum_i \Lambda(i,i) P_i \le 1 \\ & S_x, S_z \ge 0 & \Lambda, \Psi \ge 0, \text{ and diagonal} \end{split}$$

**Theorem 2.** The dual of a Gaussian vector broadcast channel with individual per-antenna power constraint is a multiple-access channel with a diagonal and linearly constrained uncertain noise.

#### **Per-Antenna Power Constrained Broadcast Channel**



In addition, this duality applies not only to the sum capacity but also the entire region.

# **Summary and Conclusions**

• Sum capacity of a Gaussian vector broadcast channel is:

$$C = \max_{S_x} \min_{S_z} \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{|HS_x H^T + S_z|}{|S_z|}$$

- Lagrangian duality leads to uplink-downlink duality.
- The dual of a broadcast channel with individual power constraint is a multiple access channel with unknown noise.
- Duality can be very useful from a computational perspective.