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Lecture 6

**Multuser Channels
and the Chain Rule**
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Announcements & Agenda

■ Announcements

- Mid term is April 29
- If you want early start on PS4, here it is.

■ Problem Set 4 = PS4 (due April 29)

1. 2.21 Multiuser Channel Types
2. 2.22 Multiuser Detector Margin
3. 2.23 Mutual-Information Vector
4. 2.24 Time-Division Multiplexing region
5. 2.25 MAC regions

■ Agenda

- Multi-User (MU) Introduction
 - Where used?; What is a multi-user data rate?; order & decodability
- The 3 basic MU types and the matrix AWGN
- Rate Bounds and Detection
- General MU Capacity Region and other optima



Multiuser (MU) Introduction

(definitions and fundamentals)

Section 2.6 intro

U>1 users

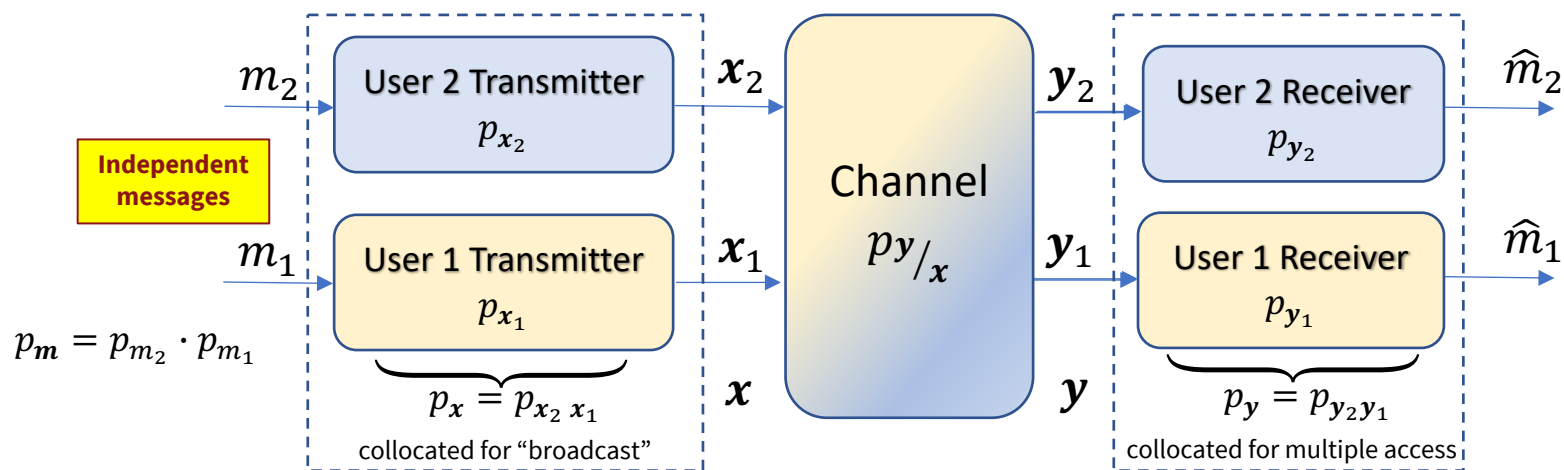


- Downlink/stream – one to many (“broadcast”)
- Uplink/stream – many to one (“multiple access”)
- Relay signals (“mesh”)
- Overlapping combinations (Wi-Fi, or cell, or really all) – “interference”



MU Mathematical Model (Section 2.6)

- There is a joint probability distribution p_{xy} that determines all marginals (e.g., input) and conditionals (channel), $p_{y/x} = \frac{p_{xy}}{p_x}$.

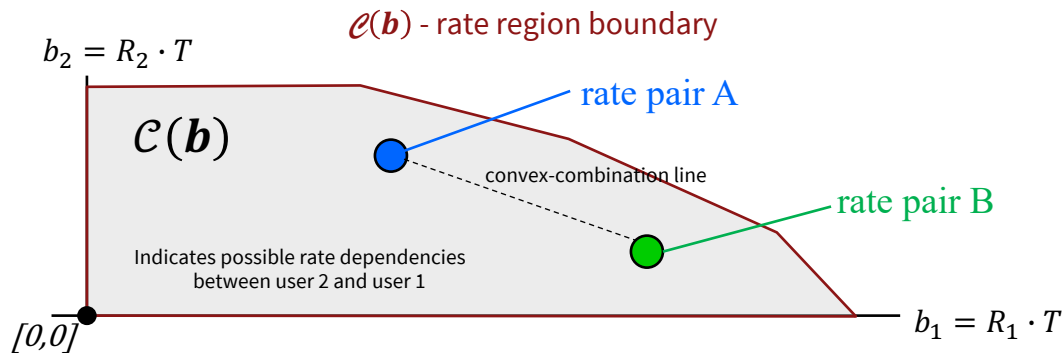


- User 1 & 2's data rates are mutually dependent (otherwise just two single-user channels).
- $b \rightarrow \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{R} \cdot T = \begin{bmatrix} R_2 \cdot T \\ R_1 \cdot T \end{bmatrix}$; the bits/sub-symbol becomes a U -dimensional vector, $u = 1, \dots, U$.
- Single-user is a (degenerate) subset of multiuser.



The Rate Region

- “Reliably decodable” set of users’ bits/subsymbol vectors that can be achieved $P_e \rightarrow 0$ (AEP).



- All “convex combinations” (on the line connecting points) must trivially be achievable too.
- What is $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$ if independent single-user channels?
“crosstalk free” rectangle (2), prism (3), Orthotope (U)
- The region is “convex hull” (union) of achievable points over all “allowed” p_{xy} , or really over p_x ,
 - because $p_{y/x}$ (the general MU channel description) is given (fixed).



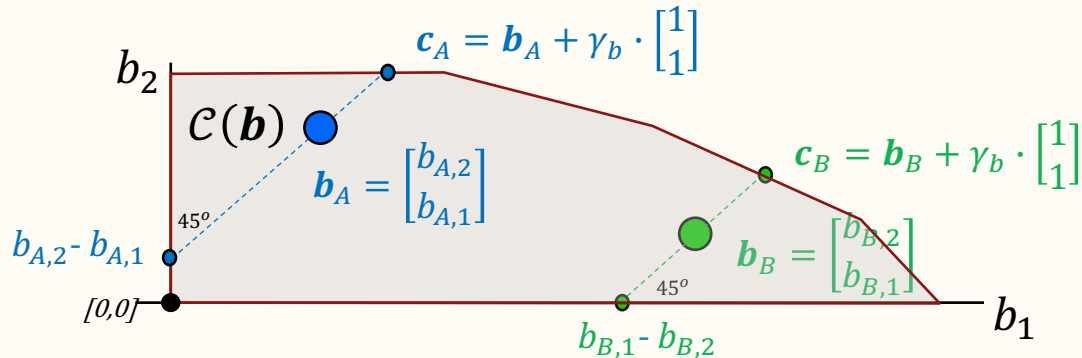
Multuser Margin

- Single-user (energy) margin $\bar{b} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \log_2 \left(1 + \frac{SNR}{\Gamma \cdot \gamma_m} \right)$ measures safety for \bar{b} if SNR changes.

$$\gamma_m = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \cdot \frac{SNR}{2^{2\bar{b}} - 1}$$

- The **bit gap** is $\gamma_b = \bar{C} - b$ where $\bar{C} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \log_2(1 + SNR) = \bar{b} + \bar{\gamma}_b$ - so measures rate gap to \bar{C} .
 - $\Gamma \cdot \gamma_m \cong 6 \cdot \bar{\gamma}_b$ dB, $\bar{\gamma}_b = 0$ if the code achieves capacity (6 dB/bit-dimension).

- Multuser bit gap** measures to $\mathbf{c}_{b'}$, $\in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$, the rate region boundary, so $\gamma_{b'} \cdot \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{c}_{b'} - \mathbf{b}'$



$$\begin{aligned} b_2 &= b_1 + (b_{A,2} - b_{A,1}) \\ b_1 &= b_2 + (b_{B,1} - b_{B,2}) \end{aligned}$$

$$u_{max} \triangleq \arg \left(\max_u b'_u \right)$$

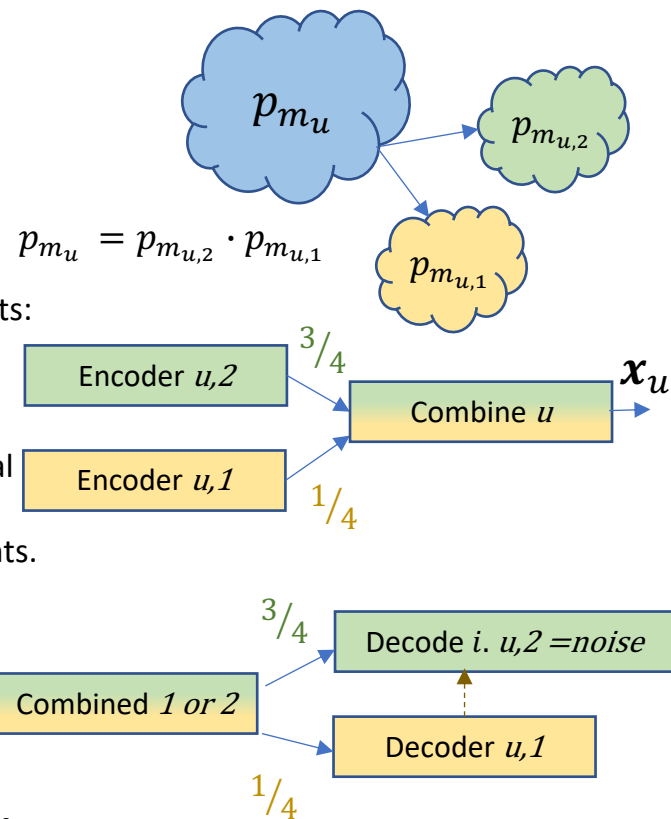
$$b_{u_{max}} = \left(\sum_{i \neq u_{max}} b_i \right) + b'_{u_{max}} - \left(\sum_{i \neq u_{max}} b'_i \right)$$

- Multuser (energy) margin still is then same as single-user margin. $\Gamma \cdot \gamma_m \cong 6 \cdot \bar{\gamma}_b$ dB



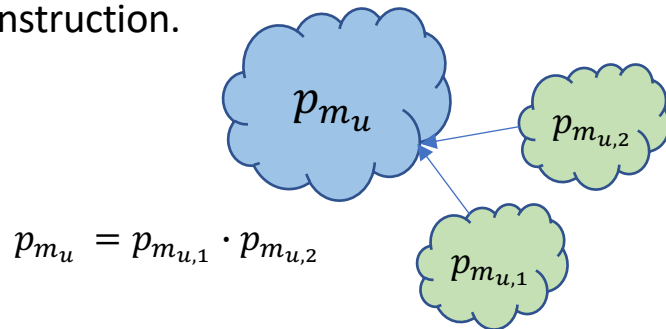
User Components (a.k.a. “time/dimension-sharing”)

- Two independent **user components** or **subusers** have the
 - same transmitter and same receiver (“different components of same user”).
- These two subusers (codes used) can be separately encoded and decoded.
- Bits per symbol is $b_u = b_{u,1} + b_{u,2}$.
- Other users’ receivers $i \neq u$ may decode all, none, or some of these components:
 - which they should do and remove if possible, or
 - otherwise they are averaged in marginal (remains as noise when Gaussian).
- The two subusers may simultaneously share dimensions, apportioning fractional information (or energy when Gaussian) to each.
- MIMO U can increase to $U' = \sum_{u=1}^U L_{x,u}$, or more generally $2^{U'} - 1$ components.
 - $L_{x,u}$ is user u ’s number of spatial dimensions (antennas).
- $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$, and b , can also expand to $2^{U'} - 1$ dimensions:
 - Original $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$ adds together the sub-users’ dimensional rates, and thus decreases its dimensionality.
- Some information theorists call this “**time-sharing**,”
 - but user components is more accurate and general and extrapolates to all types of dimensions and combinations, space, time, frequency, and energy.



Macro Users

- Two users (or user components) that have identical impact/influence create **a macro user**.
 - $p_{\dots x_u \dots x_i} y = p_{\dots x_i \dots x_u} y$ - interchange of the users does not change the joint probability distribution.
 - These two could be considered one macro user, where any partition of this macro user's rate to the two original users is feasible.
- Simple example is $y = x_1 + x_2 + n$, where both users 1 and 2 share the same energy.
 - This is \sim single-user channel with macro user $x = x_1 + x_2$, for which any division of $b = b_1 + b_2$ is possible.
- Macro/Micro users can simplify some capacity-region construction.



Brief Scheduling

(Section 2.6.7, see also Appendix A, and also EE384S)

A variation “culprit” – the users’ rates



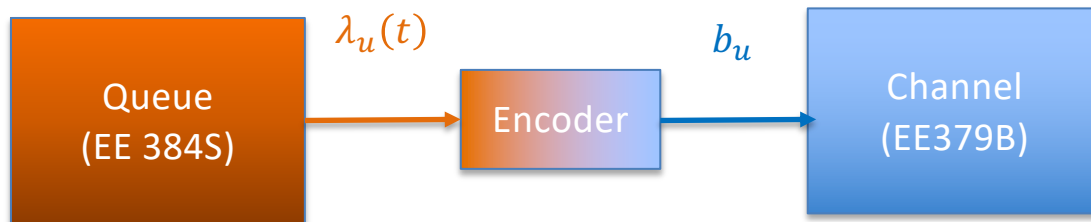
Network Designer

says the “channel has a continuous rate that apportioned dynamically as needed to any user,
 $\sum_u \lambda_u(t) = \text{constant}.$ ”



Modem Designer

says the “source has a continuous rate that is always on, each b_u is constant.”

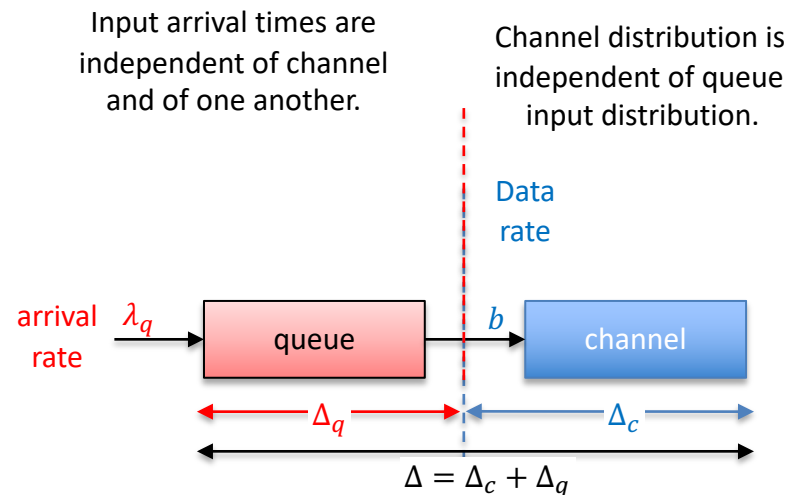


- Neither of these two design perspectives is (always) correct.
 - See also Appendix A’s queuing theory basics.



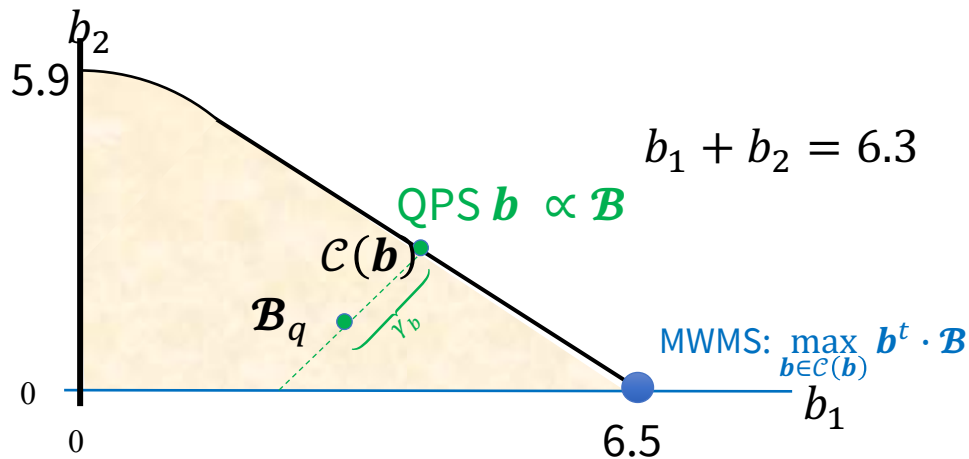
Queuing Basics

- Arrivals are independent of channel variation.
- $\mathcal{B} = \lambda_q \cdot \Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{B}] = \mathbb{E}[\lambda_q] \cdot \mathbb{E}[\Delta] =$
number of bits in system (Little's Theorem).
- $\mathbb{E}[\lambda_q] \leq \mathbb{E}[b]$ for stable operation.
- Multiuser Form
 - $\mathbb{E}[\mathcal{B}] = \mathbb{E}[\lambda_q] \odot \mathbb{E}[\Delta]$.



A Solution: Queue Proportional Scheduling

- Send data rate in capacity region that has user rate vector as scaled version of user queue depths.



We'll learn later how to find if a point is admissible (the green QPS point on the boundary).

- The QPS design \mathbf{b} is proportional to users' relative queue depths \mathbf{B} , and has margin γ_b .
- QPS (Queue Proportional Scheduling) has lowest average delay of all scheduling methods.
- Less jitter than MWMS, which tends to empty the largest user into channel (QPS empties the overall queues faster).



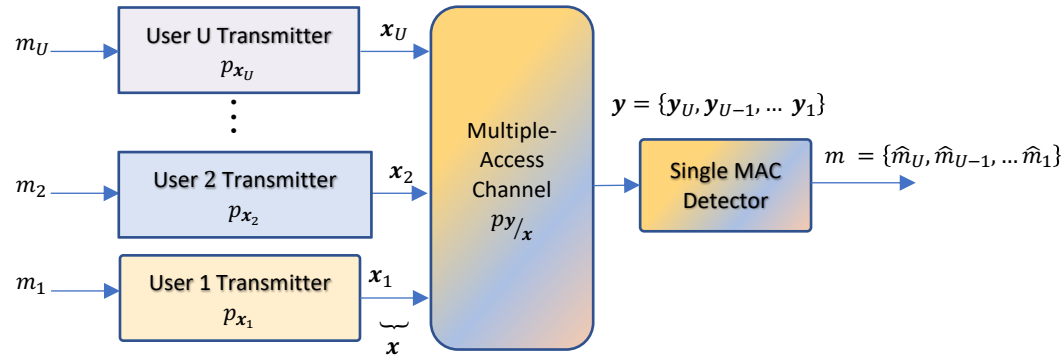
The 3 Basic MUs & Matrix AWGN

PS4.1 - 2.21 Multiuser Channel Types

Section 2.6.1

Multiple Access Channel (MAC)

Sec 2.6.1 and 2.7



- User transmitters are in different locations (cannot coordinate to encode/modulate x).
 - All use a good single-user code (see 379A, Chapter 8).
- Single receiver detects all users and:
 - separates the users,
 - reliably decodes, $P_e \rightarrow 0$, by decoding and removing some (none or all) other users first, which
 - suggests “user **order**” π (vector “priority”) is important (decode π 's 1st/bottom element first, ... U ... last at top).
 - There are $U!$ possible MAC orders.
- **Order is fundamental** to best MU design, each order has a b .
 - and all potential convex combinations thereof.
 - There is also an input p_x choice (or code choice), and all potential convex combinations thereof.
 - The MAC simplifies so that $U!$ is sufficient ($\ll 2^{U!} - 1$).

Design

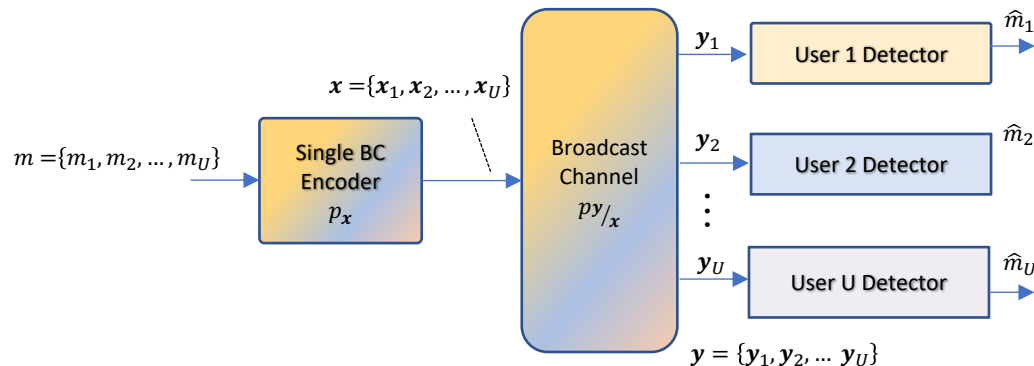
1. π

2. p_x



Broadcast Channel (BC)

Sec 2.6.1 and 2.8



- The BC is the “**dual**” of a special type of MAC.
 - This eventually allows a common design method, at least for Matrix AWGN case.
- Receivers are in different places, so they cannot “co-process” y 's user outputs.
- Transmitter can co-encode/generate x , although input messages remain independent.
 - Who encodes first? (may be at disadvantage)
 - Who encodes last? (knowing other users' signals is an advantage)
 - What then is the **order**?
 - Can reduce to just U' ! Orders, although $U' > U$.

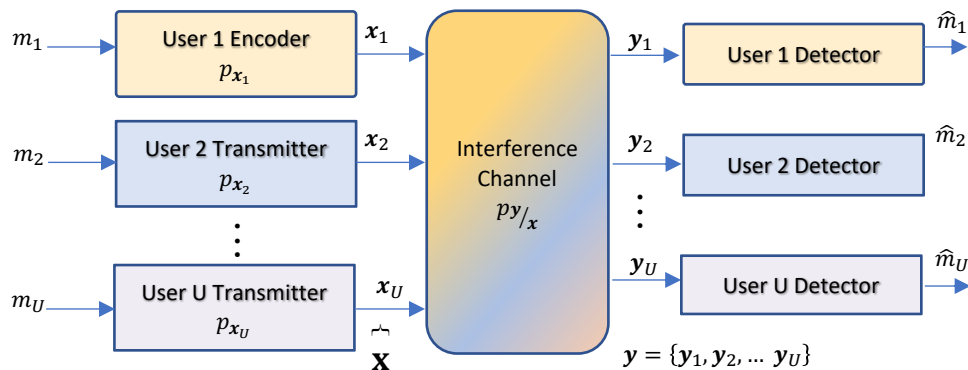
Design

1. π

2. p_x



Interference Channel (IC)



Sec 2.6.1 and 2.9

- Users' transmitters, and also receivers, are in different locations.
 - No co-encoding of user messages nor coordinated reception is possible.
 - Views: A set of MACs with same inputs or a set of BCs with same outputs.
- Each receiver can use a decoding **order** to detect others first, if decoding is possible.
 - The rcvr treats other users as noise if not possible to decode/remove first.
 - Each receiver's order is column of **matrix order Π** .
- There are $(U^2!)^U$ possible IC **orders**: ... $U^2!$ at each receiver (still less than $[U \cdot (2^{U'} - 1)!]^U$).
 - Each user may have a subuser component for every user's receiver to detect, large **FINITE**.

Design

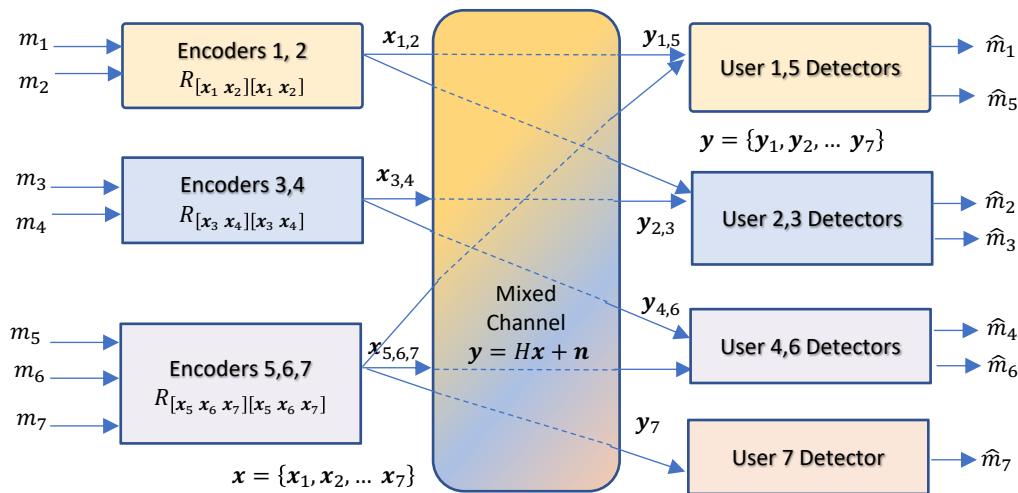
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Other MU Types / Combinations

- Mixed



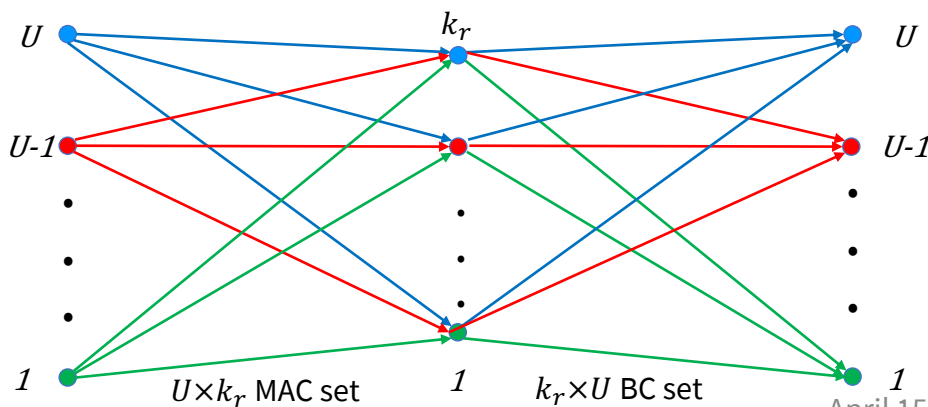
Different Macro views:

IC of 4 MAC macros:
 $\{1,5\}, \{2,3\}, \{4,5\}$
 $\{7\}$ is single user.

IC of 3 BC macros:
 $\{1,2\}, \{3,4\}, \{5,6,7\}$.

Macro design can shrink $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$ dimensionality.

- Mesh/Relay

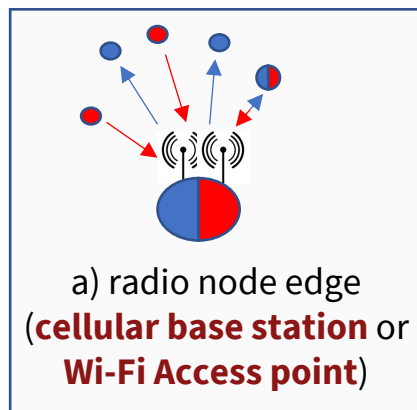


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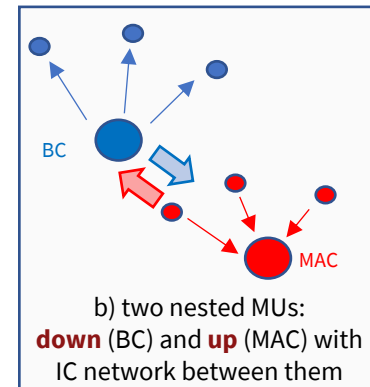
- Single User

Nested MU Channel Examples

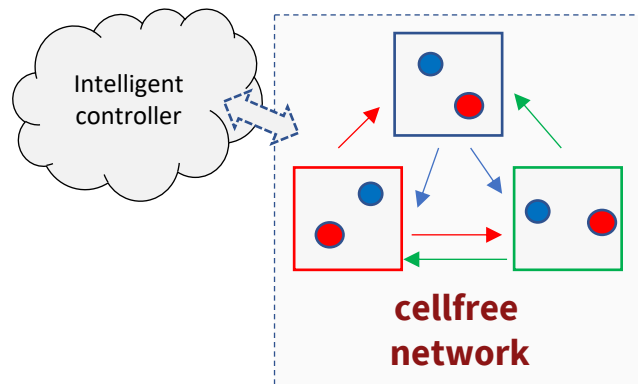
- Each **nested MU** channel \rightarrow 1 macro user.
- These macro users crosstalk into each other.
 - Some users with macro group may decode
 - with any given order in that group.
 - Those not decoded are undecodable “noise.”



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- Design treats as IC of macro users:
 - Orders users within the macro's subusers.
 - Rcvrs decode all subusers within the local macro group
 - or use “multi-level” waterfilling (end of 379B).



Rate Bounds & Detection

PS4.3 - 2.23 Mutual-Information Vector

Chain-Rule Reminder/Review

$$\mathbb{I}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbb{I}(\mathbf{x}_n; \mathbf{y} / [\mathbf{x}_{n-1} \cdots \mathbf{x}_1])$$

Lemma 2.3.4

- Think of the input components \mathbf{x}_n as users, so $U \rightarrow N$ and $u \rightarrow n$ (may replace U with U' or $2^{U'} - 1$ in general).
- Any receiver output (or combination of them), \mathbf{y} , has chain-rule decomposition(s); for the given $p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}$, this $\mathbb{I}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y})$ represents a maximum (sum-user) data rate by AEP.
- Each sum term has similar interpretation, given the “previously decoded” (given) other users.
- The capacity region points correspond to chain-rule \mathbb{I} terms in $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$ for each user receiver in that point’s construction.
- User **decoding order** characterizes the different “chain-rule” compositions.



Some data rate bounds

- **Sum-Rate bound:** $b = \sum_{u=1}^U b_u \leq \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y})$ - full transmit/receiver coordination is vector coding.
- **Average User u bound:** $\mathcal{I}_u(x_u; \mathbf{y}) \leq \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y})$ - this does NOT bound b_u (could remove other user(s) first)
 - $\mathcal{I}_u(x_u; \mathbf{y})$ treats **all** other users as "noise."
- The **conditional mutual information** ~first decodes the conditioning users' messages correctly (reliably) and then removes them from the detection process.
 - For AWGN, this operation corresponds to remodulating, filtering by MMSE-based xtalk estimate, and subtracting this estimate from receiver u 's signal.
- All chain-rule bounds apply also if $U \rightarrow U'$ or U^2 or $2^{U'} - 1$.



Fundamental: User Priority \rightarrow “order”

- Receiver u decodes who first?, last?

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_u = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \dots (2^{U'} - 1)! \text{ Choices}$$

- Why is this important?

- The as-yet un-decoded users are “noise” (averaged to compute marginal dist’n p_{y_u/x_i} , upon which ML detector is based).
- Are the other users reliably decodable? (They must be treated as “noise” if not.)

If others decoded first, then it is successive decoding or “generalized decision feedback,” for some order $\boldsymbol{\pi}_u$.

- Same for all users – so there is a “global” order possibility: $\boldsymbol{\Pi} = [\boldsymbol{\pi}_U \ \dots \ \boldsymbol{\pi}_1]$ with $(U \cdot (2^{U'} - 1)!)^U$ choices
- The designer might check all $\boldsymbol{\Pi}$, and then take convex combinations for each and every allowed p_x .
 - It simplifies in many situations (including MAC, BC, and IC).

- Order vector and inverse:**

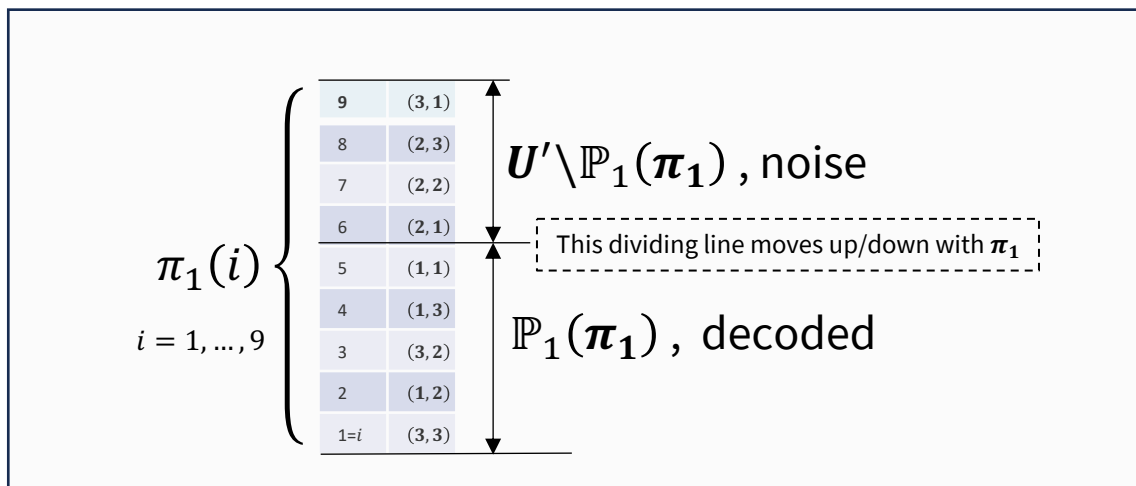
- Any permutation vector has inverse.
- Same as 379A interleave, different use.

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}_u = \begin{bmatrix} \pi(U') \\ \vdots \\ \pi(1) \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\pi}_u^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} U' \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad j = \pi(i) \rightarrow i = \pi^{-1}(j)$$



Prior-User Set for SCALAR ($U = U'$) IC Example

- U^2 subusers subdivide into ordered pairs (u, u') where $u = 1, \dots, U$ and $u' = 1, \dots, U$.
 - Receiver u observes components from users $u' = 1, \dots, U$.
- In order $\pi(u, u')$, when receiver u has decoded all $u' = 1, \dots, U$ (all its subuser components), it is done.
 - Any higher-in-order user components are noise (marginals).
 - Can reindex order so that $\pi(u, u') = \pi(i), i = 1, \dots, U^2$ where i counts from bottom up.
 - The prior-user set for this order $\mathbb{P}_u(\boldsymbol{\pi})$ occurs for smallest i that contains $\{(u, 1), (u, 2), \dots, (u, U)\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_u(\boldsymbol{\pi})$.
- Example for $U = 3$:



More Formal Prior-User Set

- Define the receiver-indexed sets

- $S_1 \triangleq \{(1,1), \dots, (1,U)\}$
- $S_2 \triangleq \{(2,1), \dots, (2,U)\}$
- \vdots
- $S_U \triangleq \{(U,1), \dots, (U,U)\}$
- $S = S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots \cup S_U$.

$$i_u^*(\boldsymbol{\pi}_u) \triangleq \arg \min_j [\pi_u(S_u) \subseteq \{1:j\}]$$

- Prior-User Set is $P_u(\boldsymbol{\pi}_{i_u^*}) \triangleq \{(u,i) | \pi(u,i) \leq i_u^*(\boldsymbol{\pi}_u)\}$.

- For given order and input p_x , find each user's worst data rate.

- Example – let's say this particular order $\boldsymbol{\Pi}$ just happens to have the 4 subusers/user aligned successively at each receiver,
 - which simplifies illustration from 16 to 4.

| rcvr/ User i | $\pi_4(i)$ | $\pi_3(i)$ | $\pi_2(i)$ | $\pi_1(i)$ |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| $i = 4$ | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| $i = 3$ | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| $i = 2$ | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| $i = 1$ | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| $\mathbb{P}_u(\boldsymbol{\pi}_u)$ | {1,2} | {2,4,1} | {1} | {4} |

$$\boldsymbol{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Designer lists data-rate entries (mutual information bounds really) for those users who are decoded, and ∞ for those treated as noise.

| \mathfrak{S} | \mathfrak{S}_4 | \mathfrak{S}_3 | \mathfrak{S}_2 | \mathfrak{S}_1 |
|----------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| top | ∞ | $\mathfrak{I}_3(3/1,2,4)$ 20 | ∞ | ∞ |
| | $\mathfrak{I}_4(4/1,2)$ 10 | $\mathfrak{I}_3(2/1,4)$ 9 | ∞ | ∞ |
| | $\mathfrak{I}_4(1/2)$ 5 | $\mathfrak{I}_3(4/1)$ 4 | $\mathfrak{I}_2(2/1)$ 4 | $\mathfrak{I}_1(1/4)$ 2 |
| bottom | $\mathfrak{I}_4(2)$ 1 | $\mathfrak{I}_3(1)$ 2 | $\mathfrak{I}_2(1)$ 2 | $\mathfrak{I}_1(4)$ 5 |

$$\mathfrak{I}_{\min}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{xy}) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 20 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



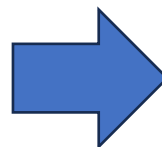
The minimum Mutual – Info Vector \mathcal{I}_{min}

- **Mutual-information-like** quantity
 - follows the prior-user set.

$$\mathcal{I}_u(\mathbf{x}_{\pi_u(i)}; \mathbf{y}_u / \mathbb{P}_{\pi_u(i)}(\boldsymbol{\pi}_u)) \triangleq \begin{cases} \infty & i > \pi_u^{-1}(u) \\ \mathcal{I}_u(\mathbf{x}_{\pi_u(i)}; \mathbf{y}_u / \mathbb{P}_{\pi_u(i)}(\boldsymbol{\pi}_u)) & i \leq \pi_u^{-1}(u) \end{cases}$$

- A worst rate for each and every user $\mathcal{I}_{min,u}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}})$ to compare to the user's implemented rate b_u .

$$\mathcal{I}_{min,u}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}) = \min_{i \in \{1, \dots, U\}} \{ \mathcal{I}_i(\mathbf{x}_u; \mathbf{y}_i / \mathbb{P}_u(\boldsymbol{\pi}_i)) \}$$



The \mathcal{I}_{min} vector

$$\mathcal{I}_{min}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{I}_{min,U}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}) \\ \vdots \\ \mathcal{I}_{min,u}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}) \\ \vdots \\ \mathcal{I}_{min,1}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} \preceq \mathcal{I}_{min}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}})$$

- This tacitly implies sum over each user's subuser components.

Lemma 2.6.1 [Best Decodable Set] When good codes (with $\Gamma = 0$ dB), given $\boldsymbol{\Pi}$ and $p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}$, and with

$$\mathbf{b} \preceq \mathcal{I}_{min}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}) \quad , \quad (2.234)$$

then

$$\mathbb{P}_u(\boldsymbol{\pi}_u) \subseteq \mathcal{D}_u(\boldsymbol{\Pi}, p_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}, \mathbf{b}) \quad (2.235)$$

and receiver u reliably achieves the data rate $b = \mathcal{I}_u(\mathbf{x}_u; \mathbf{y}_u / \mathbb{P}_u(\boldsymbol{\pi}_u))$ with order $\boldsymbol{\pi}_u$.



Example: sum of 3 users (MAC)

$$y = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + n$$

real subsymbols

| Order Π | b_1 | b_2 | b_3 |
|---------------|---|---|---|
| $[1\ 2\ 3]^*$ | $\frac{\log_2\left(1 + \frac{\mathcal{E}_1}{\sigma^2}\right)}{2}$ | $\frac{\log_2\left(1 + \frac{\mathcal{E}_2}{\mathcal{E}_1 + \sigma^2}\right)}{2}$ | $\frac{\log_2\left(1 + \frac{\mathcal{E}_3}{\mathcal{E}_1 + \mathcal{E}_2 + \sigma^2}\right)}{2}$ |
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Position in order determines whether other signals are noise or pre-decoded and then pre-subtracted.

- With the MAC's one receiver:
 - the $\pi_u \equiv \pi$ vectors,
 - $U' = U$,
 - $U! = 6$ for this example, so there are only 6 orders to consider.
- There are many other situations that simplify also.

If energies are $\sigma_n^2 = .001$, $\mathcal{E}_1 = 3.072$, $\mathcal{E}_2 = 1.008$, and $\mathcal{E}_3 = .015$, then with Gaussian codes (p_x Gaussian) the order $[123]^*$ corresponds to $b_1 = 1$, $b_2 = 3$, and $b_3 = 2$.



Optimum Detectors (2.6.3)

- Section 2.6.3 formalizes (general, including non-Gaussian, case) optimum detection.
- There are various integrals/sums and definitions.
- More simply, each user's optimum detector -- for any given order π -- must:
 - first (asymptotically/reliably) detect all other “earlier” users (MMSE \rightarrow MAP, chain rule) reliably (“no errors”), and
 - then consider all “later” users as noise (this generalizes to integration over margin distribution on non AWGNs).
- The error-probability calculation follows single-user, simply with any “pre-users” no longer present and any “post-users” averaged (treated like noise).
- Thus, these are the same 379A decoders – just more complex notation for the multiuser case,
 - with some modulation-level preprocessing.



Multi-User Detection (MUD) – 2.6.2

- Optimum remains $\max_{\hat{x}_u} \{p_{x_u/y}\}$ where the y is the receiver input for detection (MAP detection).

$$P_e(u) = 1 - P_c(u) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{M_u} P_{c/i}(u) \cdot p_i(u)$$

$P_{c/i}$ is the probability for message i
averaged over all the possible y 's for which i is selected
(Decision Region).

- But the receiver now might estimate another user earlier (order), so P_e becomes order dependent.
- More generally for any given p_{xy} :
 - All **decodable users**, $\mathcal{D}_u(\Pi, p_{xy}, \mathbf{b})$, are first detected and then “cancelled” – they contribute no “noise” (earlier in order). Abbreviate here $\mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)$ inputs, but remains a function of all 3 $(\Pi, p_{xy}, \mathbf{b})$.
 - Other users, $\overline{\mathcal{D}}_u(\Pi) \setminus u$ are not first detected and are “averaged” (treated as noise).

$$p_{\mathbf{x}_u / [\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}_{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)}]}(\chi_u, \mathbf{x}_{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)}, \mathbf{y}) = \int_{\chi \in \mathbf{x}_{\{\overline{\mathcal{D}}_u(\Pi) \setminus u\}}} p_{\mathbf{x} / [\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}_{\{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)\}}]}(\chi, \mathbf{x}_{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot d\chi$$

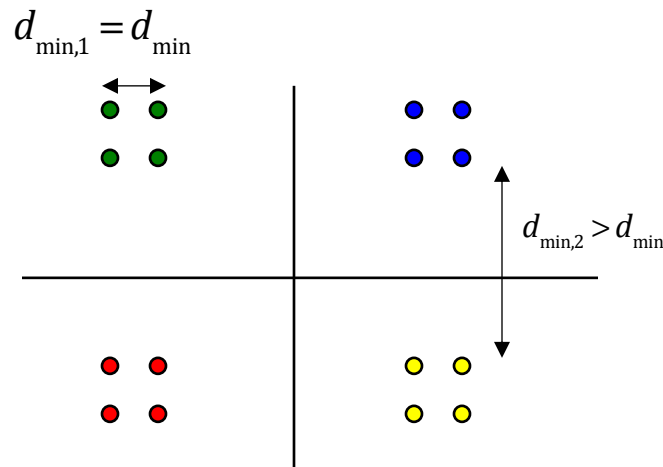
Integration/sum
is over the noise ave

$$p_{\mathbf{x} / [\mathbf{y} \mathbf{x}_{i \in \{\mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)\}}]}(\chi_u, \chi_{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{p_{\mathbf{y} / \mathbf{x}}(\chi_{i \in \overline{\mathcal{D}}_u(\Pi)}, \mathbf{x}_{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)}, \mathbf{y}) \cdot p_{\mathbf{x}}(\chi_{i \in \overline{\mathcal{D}}_u(\Pi)})}{p_{\mathbf{y} / \mathbf{x}_{\{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)\}}}(\mathbf{x}_{i \in \mathcal{D}_u(\Pi)}, \mathbf{y})}$$

Term inside integral
Derives from p_{xy} .



Simple Example



Design can (optimally) reuse all the single-user good codes !!!

- The decoder should decode first red, green, blue, yellow; this treats the variation within each color as “noise.”
- Then the decoder re-centers the constellation and decides further which of the 4 same-color points.
 - This effectively cancels the noise from the first step.
- Yes, an overall decoder performs the same if earlier decisions are correct, but the basic concept expands.
 - Again, MMSE (which is chain rule) is optimum detector if previous users (asymptotically reliable – no errors) are correct.





End Lecture 6

MU Matrix AWGN Channels

- $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$ for a multi-user AWGN channel $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n}$ will have all users input distributions as Gaussian at the region's (non-zero) boundary, $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{b})$.
 - Each of these points is a mutual information that for each receiver/user $b_u = \mathcal{I}$ has a chain-rule decomposition.
 - For any subset of output dimensions \mathbf{y} and any subset of inputs \mathbf{x}_u , $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}_u; \mathbf{y} / \mathbf{x}_{U \setminus u}) + \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}_{U \setminus u}; \mathbf{y})$.
 - With independent input messages, these are separable and can be separately maximized.
 - The second term is a “single-user,” $U \setminus u$, channel, and this channel thus has optimum Gaussian input.
 - The uncanceled users' crosstalk may contribute in MMSE sense to noise, which then is sum of Gaussians that is also Gaussian.
 - (Proof by induction: last user is single-user channel, which has Gaussian; then next to last has Gaussian xtalk and noise, so it also is Gaussian ...), the optimum \mathbf{u} is also Gaussian. This also works for any user subset \mathbf{u} . **QED.**

In general, with user components, treat $U \rightarrow U'$.

