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*Lecture 3*

# **MMSE Estimation: & Information Measures**

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# Announcements & Agenda

## ■ Announcements

- Problem Set 1 due today at 17:00
  - Grader volunteer? (Ex 10% / assignment plus pay)
- Most Relevant Reading – 1.5, 2.3, D.1, D.2, 4.1
- Problem Set 2 due April 19 at 17:00
- **Class on April 14 , 3pm in STLC111**

## ■ Problem Set 2 = PS2 due 4/19 at 17:00

1. 4.29 biases and error probability
2. 4.36 MMSE spatial equalizer
3. 2.10 Entropy and Dimensionality
4. 2.14 Bandwidth vs Power
5. 2.20 MMSE and Entropy

## ■ Agenda

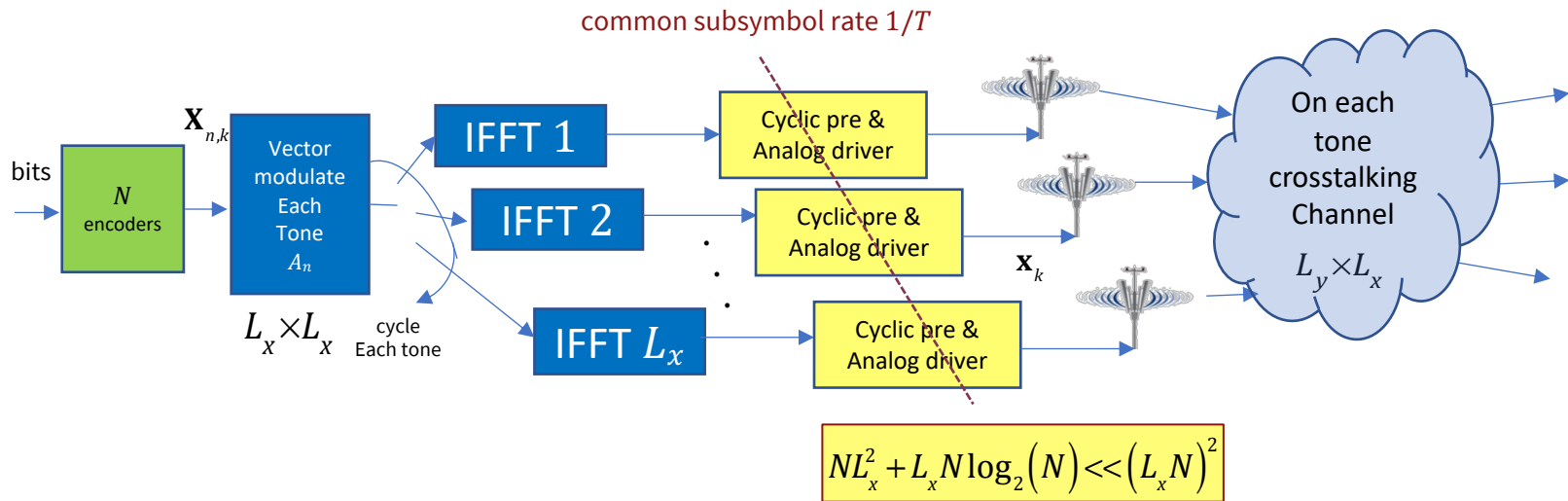
- Vector DMT
- General MMSE & Gaussian
  - Autocorrelation/Cross-Correlation
- Linear MMSE & The Orthogonality Principle
  - Biases and SNRs
- Examples
- Information Measures – generalizing Gaussian to all distributions
- Mutual Information and MMSE



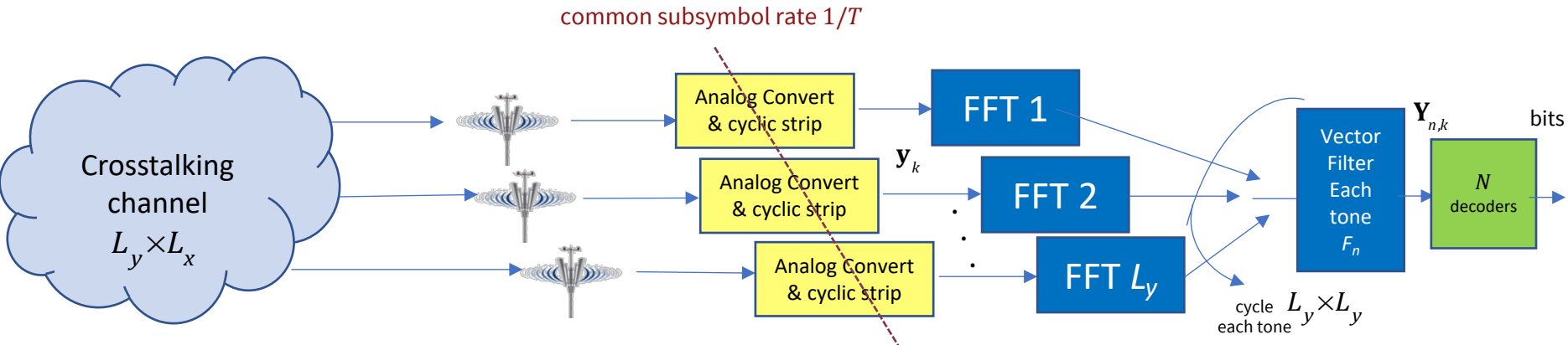
# Vector DMT

*Section 4.7*

# Vector DMT/OFDM Transmitter



# Vector DMT/OFDM Receiver



$$\tilde{H}_n = F_n \cdot \Lambda_n \cdot M_n^*$$

$$NL_y^2 + L_y N \log_2(N) \ll (L_y N)^2$$

- Just much larger number of dimensions, each a scalar AWGN,  $L = \min(L_x, L_y)$
- $L \cdot N$  dimensions
- Can water-fill over them all (if total energy constraint, which is common)



# General MMSE and Gaussian

## *Section D.1*

# The Estimation Problem

- Given random  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$ , want to estimate  $\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = f(\mathbf{y})$ 
  - Know both  $p_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}$  and specific observed  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{v}$
  - Continuous distributions  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$

- The error:

- $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{x} - f(\mathbf{y})$

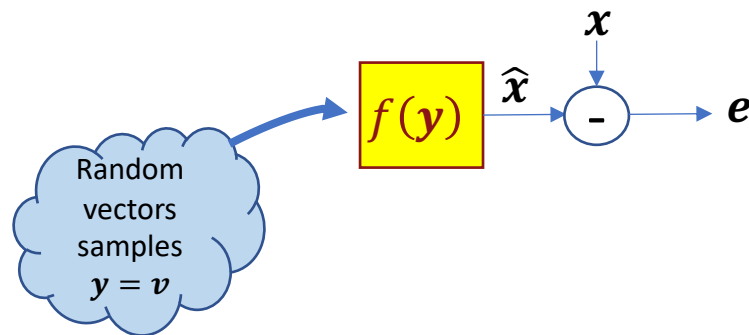
- Its mean-square

- $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}[\|\mathbf{e}\|^2] = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x} - f(\mathbf{y})\|^2]$

- Its minimum

- Solution:

- Conditional mean of  $\mathbf{x}$  given  $\mathbf{y}$ ;  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y}]$
- $p_{\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y}}$  the *à posteriori* distribution (used for MAP detector)
- Proof: see Appendix D.1
- Its linear:  $\widehat{\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_1 + \hat{\mathbf{x}}_2$



$$MMSE = \min_f \mathbb{E} [\|\mathbf{x} - f(\mathbf{y})\|^2]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y}]$$



# Auto- & Cross- correlation

## Autocorrelation generalizes mean-square

- Samples of  $R_{xx}(\tau) = \mathbb{E}[x(t) \cdot x^*(t - \tau)]$  when time is dimension
- If correspond to samples of vector
  - Frequency-time and/or space-time
  - suppressed  $\tau$  here if space time, but usually  $\tau = 0$

$$R_{xx} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}^*] \quad R_{yy} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{y}^*]$$

## Energy $\tau = 0$

$$\mathcal{E}_x = \text{trace}\{R_{xx}\} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}] = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}\|^2]$$

## Cross correlation “generalizes” inner product

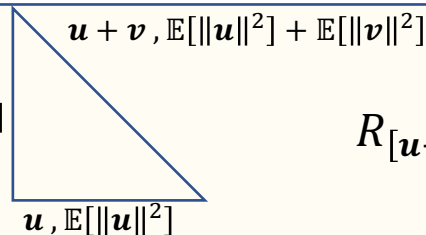
- Samples of  $R_{xx}(\tau) = \mathbb{E}[x(t) \cdot y^*(t - \tau)]$
- Vectors can be different lengths  $L_x$  and  $L_y$
- “uncorrelated” (=0)  $\rightarrow$  **orthogonal**

$$R_{xy} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}^*] \quad R_{yx} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{x}^*]$$

## Pythagorus IF uncorrelated $R_{uv} = 0$

- Generalizes “variances of uncorrelated random variables add”

$$v, \mathbb{E}[\|v\|^2]$$



$$R_{[u+v][u+v]} = R_{uu} + R_{vv}$$





# The Joint Gaussian Distribution

- Completely specified by autocorrelation (and cross correlation)

$$R \triangleq R_{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^* & \mathbf{y}^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{xx} & R_{xy} \\ R_{yx} & R_{yy} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Its marginal distributions for  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$ 
  - are also Gaussian
- Its conditional distributions are Gaussian
  - In particular, with non-zero mean  $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y}]$

$$\text{real: } p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{N_x+N_y}{2}} \cdot |R|^{-1/2} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^* & \mathbf{y}^* \end{bmatrix} \cdot R^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix} \right\}}$$

$$\text{complex: } p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (\pi)^{-[N_x+N_y]} \cdot |R|^{-1} \cdot e^{-\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^* & \mathbf{y}^* \end{bmatrix} \cdot R^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix} \right\}}$$

- Singularity?
  - $|R_{yy}| > 0$
  - $|R_{xx}|$  ?  $|R|$  ? – use pseudoinverse and determinant as product of **nonzero** eigenvalues

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y}] = R_{xy} \cdot R_{yy}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{y}$$

It's linear  
(for Gaussian)

$$W = R_{xy} \cdot R_{yy}^+ \text{ if singular}$$

**MMSE and AWGN Best Transmission are fundamentally connected**



# Linear MMSE & The Orthogonality Principle

## *Section D.2*

# Linear MMSE: any joint distribution of $x$ and $y$

- Given random  $x$  and  $y$ , want to estimate  $x$ ,  $\hat{x} = W \cdot y$ 
  - Know both  $p_{x,y}$  and specific observed  $y = v$

$$e = x - \sum_{n=1}^N w_n \cdot y_n = x - W \cdot y$$

- The error:

- Its mean-square

- $\mathbb{E}_{x,y}[\|e\|^2] = \mathbb{E}[\|x - W \cdot y\|^2]$

- Its minimum occurs when  $\mathbb{E}[e \cdot y_n^*] = 0$  for all  $n$

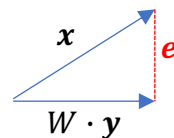
- Proof in Appendix D.2
- That is, the error and the estimator's input are uncorrelated

- Minimum  $\hat{x} = \underbrace{R_{xy} \cdot R_{yy}^{-1}}_W \cdot y$ , linear in  $y$ , so true MMSE if Gaussian

- The true MMSE estimator may not be linear if non-Gaussian

- Also again:  $(x_1 + x_2) = \hat{x}_1 + \hat{x}_2$  or  $A \cdot x = A \cdot \hat{x}$

Orthogonality Principle



$$\text{MMSE Matrix } R_{ee} = R_{xx} - R_{xy} \cdot R_{yy}^{-1} \cdot R_{yx} = R_{x/y}^\perp$$



# Vector and Matrix Norms

- The trace of an autocorrelation matrix is its norm (and also equal to mean-squared length of random vector)

- $\text{MMSE} = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{e}\|^2] = \text{trace}\{R_{ee}\}$

- The trace of a square autocorrelation matrix is also equal to the sum of its eigenvalues

$$\mathbf{e}' = Q \cdot \mathbf{e} \quad \text{diagonal: } R_{e'e'} = Q \cdot R_{ee} \cdot Q^*$$

$$\|\mathbf{e}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{e}'\|^2 \text{ because } QQ^* = Q^*Q = I$$

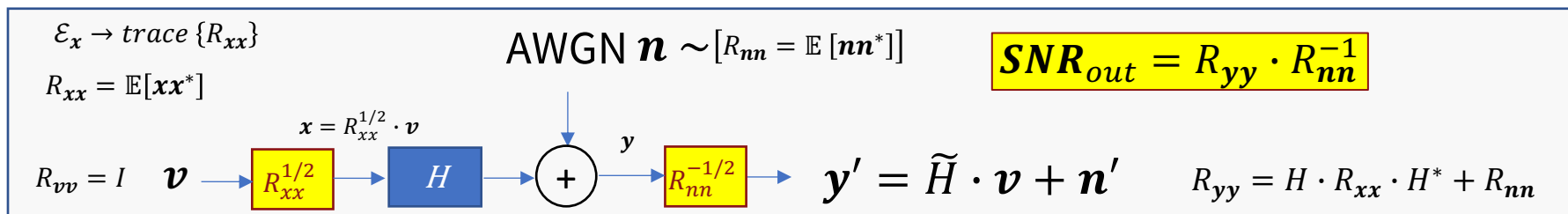
- The determinant of an autocorrelation matrix is the product of its eigenvalues

- $\text{MMSE} = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{e}\|^2]$  and  $\ln|R_{ee}| = \sum_n \ln \mathcal{E}_{e',n}$

- The minimization of each component of  $\mathbf{e}$  is *variables separable* (has its own row of  $W$ ), so then the sum is minimized, but this means each of the  $\mathbf{e}'$  also ( $W \rightarrow Q \cdot W$ ) minimized, so then  $|R_{ee}| = |R_{e'e'}|$  is also minimized  $\rightarrow$  Minimizing sum (trace) here is same as minimizing product (determinant).



# Matrix SNR?



$$\tilde{H} \triangleq R_{nn}^{-1/2} \cdot H \cdot R_{xx}^{1/2} = F \cdot \Lambda \cdot M^*$$

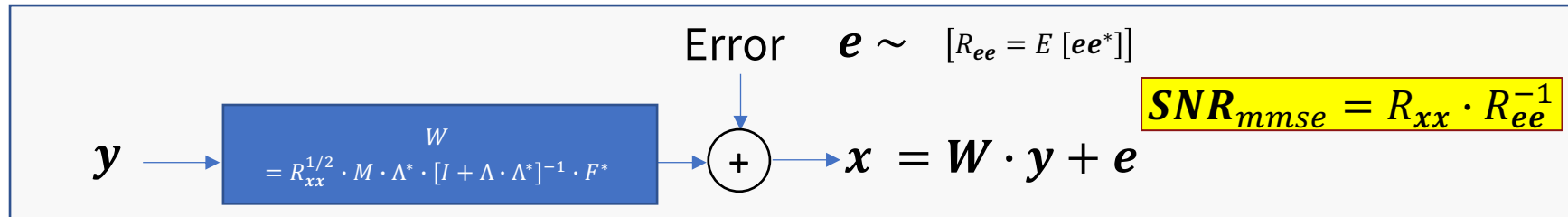
- It's like the parallel channels (take determinants)  $SNR_{out} = |R_{yy}| \cdot |R_{nn}^{-1}| = \frac{|R_{yy}|}{|R_{nn}|}$ 
  - "Automatic" vector code
  - Bit rate:  $b = \log_2(SNR_{out})$

$$SNR_{out} = \frac{|R_{yy}|}{|R_{nn}|} = \frac{|H \cdot R_{xx} \cdot H^* + R_{nn}|}{|R_{nn}|} = |\tilde{H} \cdot \tilde{H}^* + I| = |\Lambda^2 + I| = \prod_{n=1}^N (SNR_n + 1)$$

- This set depends on  $R_{xx}$  choice, while earlier only  $\text{trace}\{R_{xx}\}$  was fixed
  - Water-fill  $R_{xx} = M \cdot \text{diag}\{\mathcal{E}_{water-fill}\} \cdot M^*$  maximizes



# Backward Channel and Matrix SNR



- How about “backward channel” (MMSE)  $SNR$ ?

$$SNR_{mmse} = \frac{|R_{xx}|}{|R_{ee}|} = |W \cdot R_{yy} \cdot W^* + R_{ee}| / |R_{ee}| = |\Lambda^2 + I| = \prod_{n=1}^N (1 + SNR_n)$$
$$= SNR_{out}$$

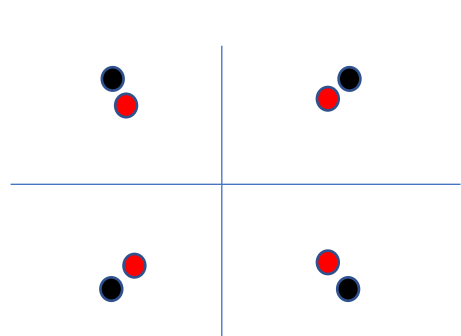
- Bit rate:  $b = \log_2(SNR_{mmse})$
- $M^* \cdot W$  will estimate  $\mathbf{x}'$  (linearity of MMSE estimates)
- Optimizing determinants is same as optimizing MSE/traces

Forward and backward have same SNR and “bit rate” (continuous  $\mathbf{x}$  distribution)

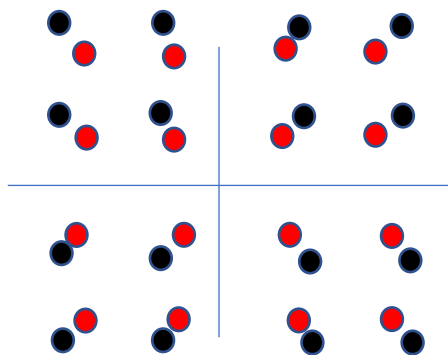


# MMSE is always a Biased Estimate

- Biased-Estimate Definition:  $\mathbb{E} [\hat{x}/x] \neq x$
- MMSE estimates always have bias (if noise is nonzero), See Appendix D.2
  - $\mathbb{E} [\hat{x}/x] = (I - R_{ee} \cdot R_{xx}^{-1}) \cdot x = (I - SNR^{-1}) \cdot x$



decision regions same



decision regions change

MMSE trades a little signal reduction for simultaneous noise reduction when minimizing the error

[See PS2.1 \(Prob 4.29\)](#)

- For scalar case above, removal is scale up (by  $\frac{SNR_{mmse}}{SNR_{mmse}-1}$ )
- MIMO case, same per dimension, scale up (by  $\frac{SNR_{mmse,n}}{SNR_{mmse,n}-1}$ ) **IF** MMSE  $R_{ee}$  is diagonal (vector coding)
  - IF not diagonal? (we'll learn what to do in later lectures)

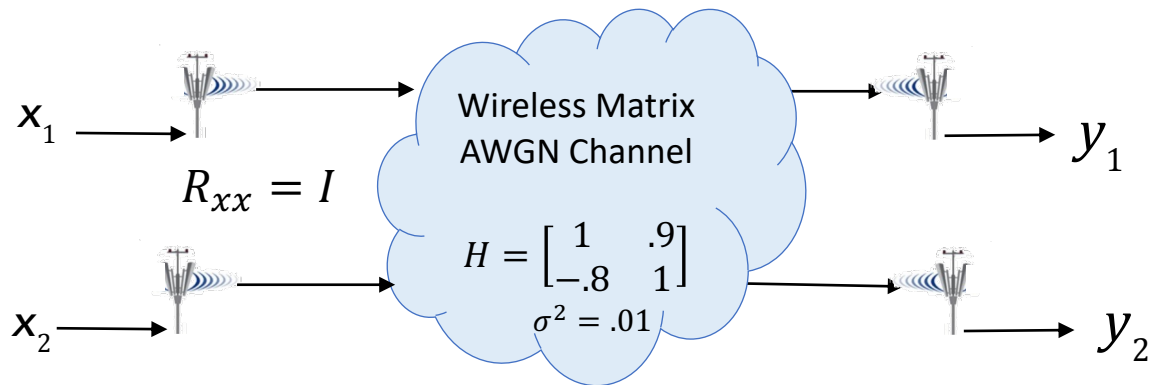


# Linear Matrix MMSE Examples

[See PS2.2 \(Prob 4.36\)](#)



# 2 x 2 Antenna System



```
>> H=[1 .9  
-.8 1];  
>> Rxx=eye(2);  
>> Rnn=.01*eye(2)  
>> Ryy=H*Rxx*H'+Rnn;  
>> Ryx=H;  
>> W=(Ryx')*inv(Ryy) =  
0.5780 -0.5199  
0.4627 0.5780  
>> W*H =  
0.9939 0.0003  
0.0003 0.9945  
>> Ree=Rxx-W*Ryx =  
0.0061 -0.0003  
-0.0003 0.0055  
>> snr=det(Rxx)/det(Ree);  
>> log2(snr) = 14.8693
```

## Strong Crosstalk case from Chapter 1

Basically the same Lecture 1 result, even without the “ $M$ ” discrete modulator but why with no  $M$  on transmit?

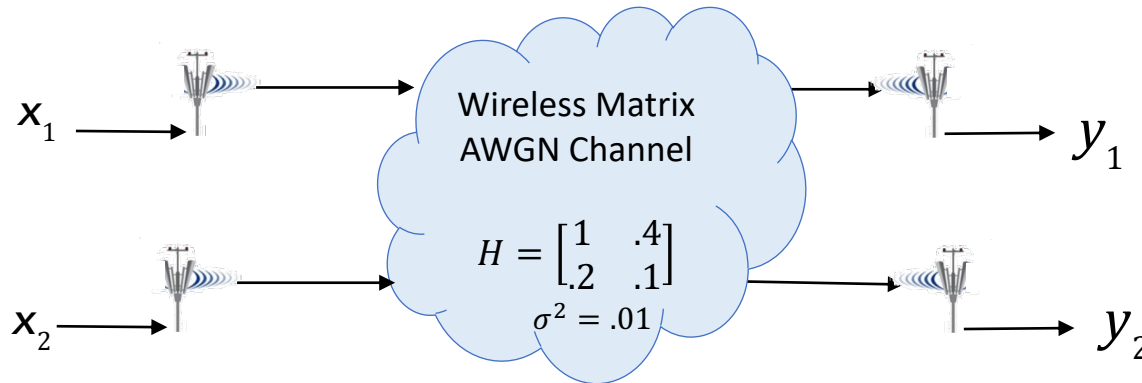
```
>> Mstar =  
0.4197 0.9076  
0.9076 -0.4197
```

$R_{xx} = I$  is close to water-fill (equal energy this channel);  
 $R_{xx} = M \cdot I \cdot M^*$ ; so “lucky” that its already close to best

ML detector is only per-dimension independent if  $R_{xx}$  and  $R_{ee}$  are diagonal



# 2 x 2 Antenna System



- This channel water-filled nonzero energy only on 1 dimension in L1.

```
>>H=1.0000 0.4000
    0.2000 0.1000
>> Rxx=eye(2);
>> Ryy=H*Rxx*H'+Rnn;
>> Ryx=H;
>> W=(Ryx')*inv(Ryy) =
    0.9524 -0.4762
    0.0000 1.6667
>> W*H = 0.8571 0.3333
    0.3333 0.1667
>> Ree=Rxx-W*Ryx =
    0.1429 -0.3333
   -0.3333 0.8333
```

not  
Diagonal;  
ML detect is  
NOT parallel

```
>> snr=det(Rxx)/det(Ree) = 126.0000
>> b=log2(snr) = 6.9773 (only for VC)
```

Previously in L1 was  $\log_2(1 + 2 \cdot g_2) = 6.93$  bits/subsymbol

But this time, two dimensions are used, and the ML detectors are interdependent

```
>> SNR=inv(diag(diag(Ree))) = 7.0000 0
                                0 1.2000
```

```
>> log2(diag(SNR)) =
    2.8074
    0.2630
>> sum(log2(diag(SNR))) = 3.0704
```

Thus, data rate loss can occur  
with independent detectors and MMSE

*(All this loss can be recovered with Chapter 5's MMSE GDFE,  
in addition to using vector coding, so more than 1 solution)*

[See PS2.2 \(Prob 4.36\)](#)



# Time-Frequency Block 1 + .9 · $D^{-1}$

```
>> H=toeplitz([1 zeros(1,7)]',[1 .9 zeros(1,7)]);
>> Rxx=eye(9);
>> Rnn=.181*eye(8);
>> Ryy=H*Rxx*H'+Rnn;
>> Ryx=H;
>> W=(Ryx')*inv(Ryy);
>> P=W*H;
>> size(P) % = 9 9

>> Ree=Rxx-W*Ryx;
>> snr=det(Rxx)/det(Ree) = 2.4089e+07
>> SNR=inv(diag(diag(Ree)));
>> bn = 0.5*log2(diag(SNR))' =
0.8769 1.0096 1.0691 1.0907 1.0902 1.0673 1.0054 0.8681 0.6085
>> sum(bn/9) = 0.9651
>> 10*log10(2^(2*ans)-1) = 4.4885 dB
```

Repeat for 8 → 32

```
>> sum(bn/33) = 1.0753
```

```
>> 10*log10(2^(2*ans)-1) = 5.3654 dB
```

Best infinite length is 5.7 dB  
(with dimension-by-dimension linear)  
- See Chapter 3, MMSE-LE

Best with full ML is 8.8 dB, but requires  
Input WF energy distribution



# Information Measures: generalizing MMSE to all distributions

[See PS2.3 \(Prob 2.10\)](#)

# Information Measures

Gaussian Distribution	Any Distribution
Mean-square energy $\mathcal{E}_x = \mathbb{E}[ \mathbf{x} ^2]$	Entropy $\mathcal{H}_x$ <i>Section 2.3.1</i>
Mean-square error $\sigma_e^2 = \mathbb{E}[ \mathbf{e} ^2]$	Conditional Entropy $\mathcal{H}_{x/y}$ <i>Section 2.3.2</i>
Signal-to-Noise $\mathcal{E}_x / \sigma_e^2$	Mutual Information $\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{H}_x - \mathcal{H}_{x/y}$ <i>Section 2.3.2</i>

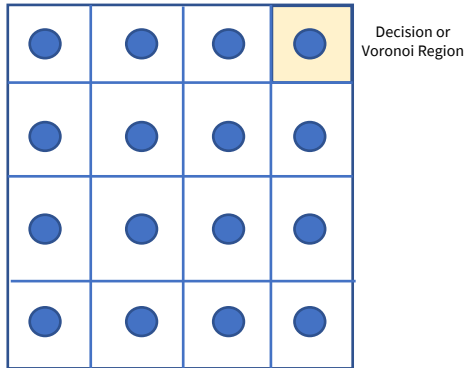
The information-carried by random variable/process generalizes the energy concepts from MMSE/Gaussian analysis to the spread/randomness of their distribution

These information measures correspond to bits/symbol quantities, and for the Gaussian case are basically the  $\log_2$  of the corresponding energy measure



# Example leading to Entropy understanding

## 16 SQ QAM - UNCODED



$$|C| = 16 ; M = 16$$

$$b = 4 ; \bar{b} = 2 ; \tilde{b} = 4$$

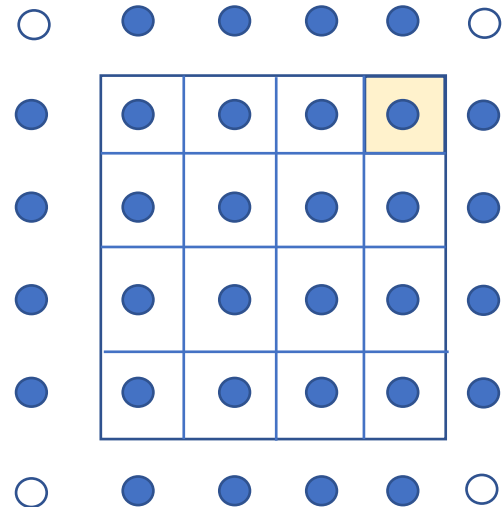
$$N = \tilde{N} = 2 ; \bar{N} = 1 \text{ (or swap } \tilde{N} \text{ and } \bar{N}\text{)}$$

- The subsymbol can have extra points, which means its coded
  - More redundant points, more dimensions  $\rightarrow$  better codes

## 32 CR QAM - UNCODED

$$|C| = 32 ; b = 5 ; \bar{b} = 2.5$$

$$N = \tilde{N} = 2 ; \bar{N} = 1$$



## 6 PAM x 6 PAM CODED

$$N = \bar{N} = 2 ; \tilde{N} = 1 ; |C| = 6 = 2^{2.59}$$

$$\text{if } \bar{b} = 2, \bar{\rho} = 0.59$$

**(extra constellation points ~ redundancy)**



# Information Theory Basics – Generalizes MMSE

- Entropy

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p_{\tilde{x}}} \right) \right] = \sum_{i=0}^{|C|-1} p_{\tilde{x}}(i) \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p_{\tilde{x}}(i)} \right)$$

Discrete  $p_{\tilde{x}}(i)$

- Measures a distribution's, *information's*, many values, by probability (think subsymbols)
- generalizes bits/subsymbol where the constellation size  $|C| \geq M^{1/\bar{N}} = 2^{\tilde{b}}$  the bits/subsymbol

$$\text{example: } p_{\tilde{x}}(i) = \frac{1}{M} \text{ (uniform)} \rightarrow |C| = 2^{\tilde{b}}$$

$$\text{Uniform} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} = \log_2(M^{1/\bar{N}}) = \tilde{b} \quad (|C| = 2^{\tilde{b} + \tilde{\rho}}) \quad \tilde{\rho} = 0; \text{ uncoded}$$

- Uniform distribution has maximum entropy

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} \leq \log_2 |C|$$

$$\text{Binary example: } p_{\tilde{x}}(0) = \frac{1}{128} \text{ and } p_{\tilde{x}}(1) = \frac{127}{128}$$

[See PS2.3 \(Prob 2.10\)](#)

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} = \frac{\log_2(128)}{128} + \frac{127}{128} \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{128}{127} \right) = .06 < 1$$



# Continuous Distribution – DIFFERENTIAL Entropy

- Differential Entropy

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p_{\tilde{x}}} \right) \right] = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{\tilde{x}}(u) \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p_{\tilde{x}}(u)} \right) \cdot du$$

- Differential Entropy  $\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}}$  is not same as approximating integral using discrete approx of  $p_{\tilde{x}}(u)$ 
  - They differ by a constant that depends on the approximation-interval size
- Differential Entropy  $\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}}$  does still however measure information content when subsymbols in codewords are chosen (usually at random) from  $p_{\tilde{x}}(u)$ .
- Maximum  $\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}}$  occurs when  $p_{\tilde{x}}(u)$  is **Gaussian (any mean)**, with constant average energy

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_{\tilde{x}}(u) \cdot \|u\|^2 \cdot du = \mathcal{E}_{\tilde{x}}$$

Complex

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} = \log_2(\pi e \mathcal{E}_{\tilde{x}}) \text{ bits/subsymbol}$$

Real

$$\mathcal{H}_x = \frac{1}{2} \log_2(2\pi e \bar{\mathcal{E}}_x) \text{ bits/dimension}$$

- More generally,  $\text{trace}\{R_{\tilde{x}\tilde{x}}\} = \mathcal{E}_{\tilde{x}}$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} = \log_2 |\pi e R_{\tilde{x}\tilde{x}}| \text{ bits/complex-subsymbol}$$





# Information left after given another random vector

- Conditional entropy

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}/\tilde{y}} = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p_{\tilde{x}/\tilde{y}}} \right) \right] = \sum_{j=0}^{|Y|-1} \sum_{i=0}^{|C|-1} p_{\tilde{x}\tilde{y}}(i,j) \cdot \log_2 \left( \frac{1}{p_{\tilde{x}/\tilde{y}}(i,j)} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}/\tilde{y}} = \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}\tilde{y}} - \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{y}}$$

- Measures  $\tilde{x}$ 's residual randomness/info when  $\tilde{y}$  is known/given

$\tilde{x} ; \tilde{y}$	0	1	$p_{\tilde{x}}$
0	3/8	1/8	1/2
1	1/8	3/8	1/2
$p_{\tilde{y}}$	1/2	1/2	

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}\tilde{y}} = \frac{6}{8} \cdot \log_2 \frac{8}{3} + \frac{2}{8} \cdot \log_2 8 = 1.811$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}} = 1 = \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{y}}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}/\tilde{y}} = 1.811 - 1 = .811 \text{ bits/subsymbol}$$

- If  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  are independent, then  $\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}/\tilde{y}} = \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{x}}$



# Relation to MMSE Estimation

- If  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$  are jointly Gaussian, then  $p_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}/\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}$  is also Gaussian and has mean as MMSE estimate  $\mathbb{E}[\tilde{\mathbf{x}}/\tilde{\mathbf{y}}]$  and autocorrelation  $R_{ee} = R_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} - R_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} \cdot R_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}^{-1} \cdot R_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}$ .
- $\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}/\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} = \log_2 |\pi e R_{ee}|$  - that is, the entropy is essentially just the log of the MMSE (Gaussian)
  - Entropy generalizes MMSE to any probability distribution
  - Measures the information content of the “miss” in estimating  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  from  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$  for any  $p_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}$

[See PS2.5 \(Prob 2.20\)](#)



# Continuous distributions and entropy

- Complex Gaussian  $x$  
$$p_x(u) = \frac{1}{\pi\sigma_x^2} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{\sigma_x^2}}$$
 
$$\mathcal{H}_x = \log_2\{\pi \cdot e \cdot \sigma_x^2\}$$

- Conditional  $x/y$ ? 
$$\mathcal{H}_{x/y} = \log_2\{\pi \cdot e \cdot \sigma_{x/y}^2\}$$

$$\sigma_{x/y}^2 = \sigma_x^2 - r_{xy}^2 / \sigma_y^2 = \text{MMSE}$$

- Vector  $\mathbf{x}$ ? 
$$\mathcal{H}_x = \log_2\{(\pi e)^{\bar{N}} \cdot |R_{xx}|\}$$

$$R_{x/y}^\perp = R_{xx}^2 - R_{x/y} \cdot R_{yy}^{-1} \cdot R_{x/y} = \text{MMSE}$$

(Appendix D on MMSE)

$$\mathcal{H}_{x/y} = \log_2\{(\pi e)^{\bar{N}} \cdot |R_{x/y}^\perp|\}$$

$\bar{N}$  is the number of complex dimensions =  $N/2$



# Mutual Information and MMSE

## *Subsection 2.3.2*

[See PS2.5 \(Prob 2.20\)](#)

# Mutual Information ~ SNR

- Mutual Information

$$\mathcal{I}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}; \tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \log_2 \left( \frac{p_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}}{p_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} p_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}} \right) \right] = \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} - \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} = \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} - \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}$$

- For discrete example = 1 - .811 = .189 bits/subsymbol

$$= \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} - \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} = \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} - \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}$$

- Symmetric in  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$  (MMSE forward and backward channel)

- Amount of information common to  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}$ ,  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \log_2 \left( \frac{p_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}|\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}}{p_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}} \right) \right]$

- On average, how much bigger is conditional versus uncond, in bits

- $\mathcal{I}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}; \tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = \log_2 \frac{|R_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}|}{|R_{ee}|} = \log_2 \frac{|R_{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}\tilde{\mathbf{y}}}|}{|R_{nn}|} = \log_2 \left( (1 + SNR_{geo})^{\bar{N}} \right)$  for the AWGN

- OR as earlier for vector coding  $\mathcal{I}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}; \tilde{\mathbf{y}}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\bar{N}} \log_2 SNR_{mmse,n}$  for the AWGN



# Law of Large Numbers

**Theorem 2.1.1 (Law of Large Numbers (LLN))** *The LLN observes that a stationary random variable  $z$ 's sample average over its observations  $\{z_n\}_{n=1,\dots,N}$  converges to its mean with large  $N$  such that*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} Pr \left\{ \left| \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N z_n \right) - \mathbb{E}[z] \right| > \epsilon \right\} \rightarrow 0 \text{ weak form} \quad (2.13)$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} Pr \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N z_n = \mathbb{E}[z] \right\} = 1 \text{ strong form} . \quad (2.14)$$

- Distribution of  $z$  must be the same (stationary) for all random selections
- The random  $z$  can be function of random variable ( $z = f(x)$ ) and the sample mean converges to  $\mathbb{E}[f(x)]$ .
  - E.g.,  $z_n = \|\mathbf{x}_n\|^2$  where the vector  $\mathbf{x}_n$  might also have (a growing)  $N$  components (energy sample or length of the vector)
  - LLN then states that all the energy (really points in selection from any distribution with  $\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{x}\|^2] \leq \mathcal{E}_x$ ) of a hypersphere are at its surface with probability 1. Points on the interior have probability zero. It is also a sum of independent terms, and thus Gaussian (central limit theorem)
  - The marginal distributions for the vector  $\mathbf{x}_n$ 's element selections, and thus for  $\mathbf{x}_n$  also, would be Gaussian if this  $N$ -sequence has max entropy (uniform)
- The function of most interest in coding is  $-\log_2[p_x(x)]$ - that is the function itself is probability distribution's log
  - The sample average of this function converges to the entropy
  - Suggests choosing codewords (this means each subsymbol in the codeword) at random from stationary distribution
  - Repeat at higher level for several codes chosen at random
  - These are discrete codes, even when  $\mathbf{x}$  is continuous, but their average follows the entropy (and mutual information)



# Random Coding

- Pick subsymbols  $x_n$  randomly (independently) from (stationary) distribution  $p_{\tilde{x}}$  for each of  $M = 2^b$  c'words
  - This is one "random" code
- Repeat the exercise for another code, and .... many more
- Compute the average performance of all these random selected codes
  - As  $\bar{N} \rightarrow \infty$ , this average performance is outstanding (as we'll see), as long as  $\tilde{b} < \mathcal{I}(\tilde{x}; \tilde{y})$
  - So at least one good one must exist

- Entropy per subsymbol is
- LLN with function  $p_{\tilde{x}}$  ? (sample-average estimate of entropy)

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathbf{x}} &= \frac{-1}{\bar{N}} \cdot E[\log_2(p_{\mathbf{x}})] \\ &= \frac{-1}{\bar{N}} \sum_{n=1}^{\bar{N}} E[\log_2(p_{\tilde{x}_n})] \quad ,\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} = \frac{-1}{\bar{N}} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\bar{N}} \log_2 [p(\tilde{x}_n)] = \frac{-1}{\bar{N}} \cdot \log_2 [p(\mathbf{x})] \quad \cdot \text{LLN converges to (constant) } \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathbf{x}}$$

- The constant means the ave code has uniform distribution of codewords (asymptotically),  $2^{\bar{N} \cdot \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\mathbf{x}}}$  of them

Asymptotic Equal Partition (AEP)



# AEP Typical Sets

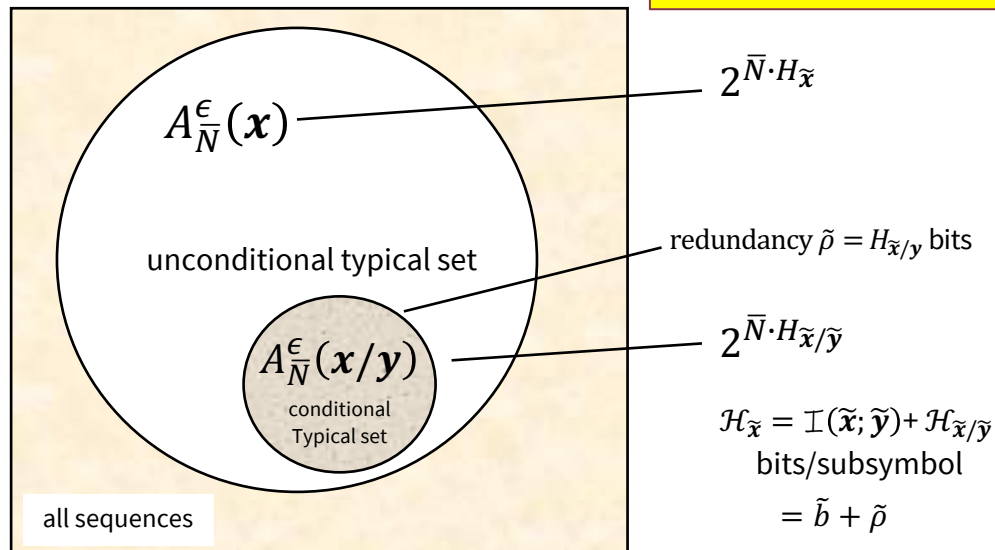
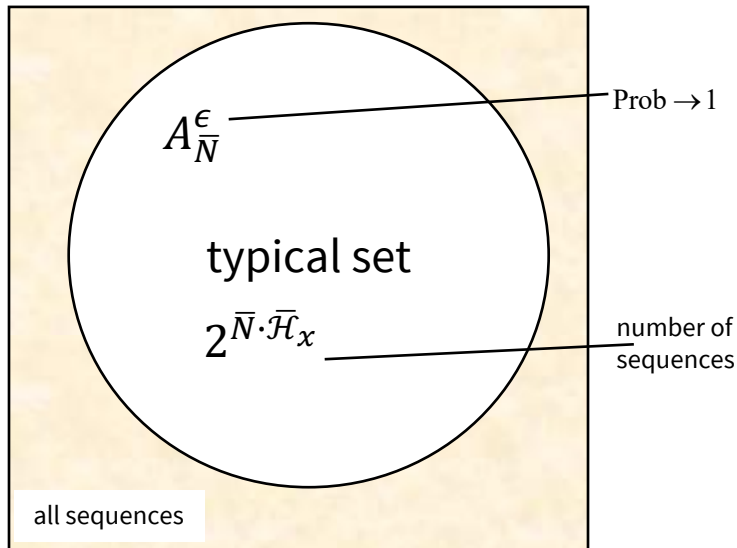
- The set is

$$A_N^\epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \triangleq \left\{ \mathbf{x} = [\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2, \dots, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_N] \mid 2^{-\bar{N} \cdot \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} - \epsilon} \leq p(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_1, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_2, \dots, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_N) \leq 2^{-\bar{N} \cdot \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} + \epsilon} \right\}$$

**Lemma 2.3.6 [AEP Lemma]** For a typical set with  $\bar{N} \rightarrow \infty$ , the following are true:

- $Pr\{A_N^\epsilon(\mathbf{x})\} \rightarrow 1$
- for any codeword  $\mathbf{x} \in A_N^\epsilon$ ,  $Pr\{\mathbf{x}\} \rightarrow 2^{-\bar{N} \cdot \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}}$

Decoder works well if only one codeword in conditional set for each  $\mathbf{y}$  value, so good code spreads them uniformly



There are  $2^{N \cdot H_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}} \cdot 2^{-N \cdot H_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}/\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} = 2^{N \cdot \mathcal{I}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}; \tilde{\mathbf{y}})}$  little sets  
In the big set if “equally partitioned”





# Formal Capacity Theorem

$$\frac{|A_N^\epsilon(\mathbf{x})|}{|A_N^\epsilon(\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y})|} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x};\mathbf{y})} \quad \text{since } \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x};\mathbf{y}) = \mathcal{H}\mathbf{x} - \mathcal{H}\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y}$$

- Good codes will have only 1 codeword per conditional entropy subset
- MAP detector decision region is then  $\sim A_N^\epsilon(\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y})$  - on average, but can find for one good code
- If  $A_N^\epsilon(\mathbf{x})$  were any larger, all codes (good or bad) will have at least one  $A_N^\epsilon(\mathbf{x}/\mathbf{y})$  that contains 2+ codewords, which mean the MAP has to “flip a coin” – not good (high error prob)
- SHANNON’S CAPACITY THEOREM
  - Number of codewords is limited by mutual info  $b \leq \mathcal{I}(\mathbf{x};\mathbf{y})$
  - Which is per-subsymbol equivalent with random code  $\tilde{b} \leq \mathcal{I}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}};\tilde{\mathbf{y}})$
  - If maximized over input distributions  $\tilde{b} < \tilde{c} \leq \max_{p_{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}}} \mathcal{I}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}};\tilde{\mathbf{y}})$  bits/subsymbol





# End Lecture 3