

# Network Beamforming and Interference Cancellation

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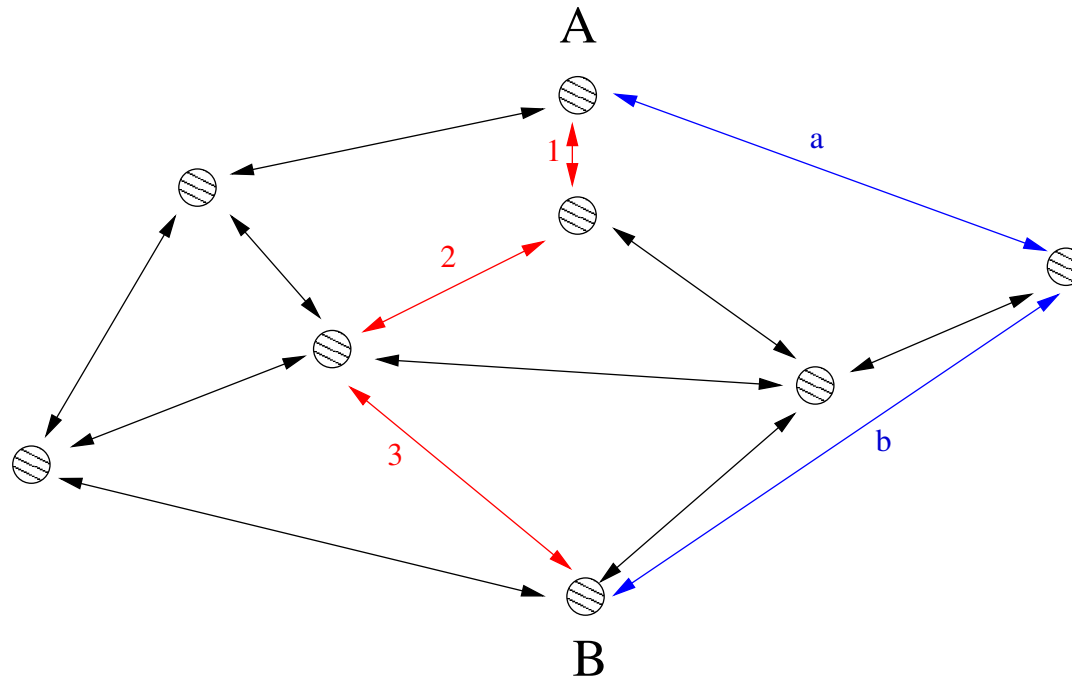
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- Introduction
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- Partial Channel Information (Quantized Feedback)
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# Cooperative Diversity

The improvement in reliability (error rate) achieved by having the relays cooperate.



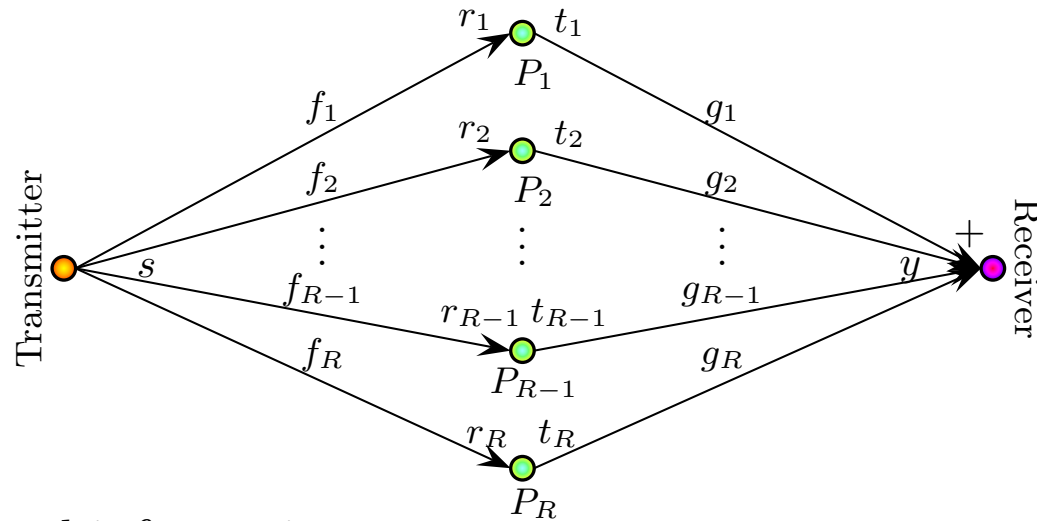
## Cooperative Schemes

- Amplify-and-forward
- Decode-and-forward
- Relay selection
- Coded-cooperation
- ...

The missing piece: **Adaptive relay power control**

## Network Beamforming

# Wireless Relay Network



- Full channel information

transmitter	Relay $i$	receiver
/	$f_i$ and $g_i$	All $(f_1, g_1, \dots, f_R, g_R)$

- A **separate short-term** power constraint on each node:
  - A node **CANNOT** save its power to favor better/worse channel realizations.

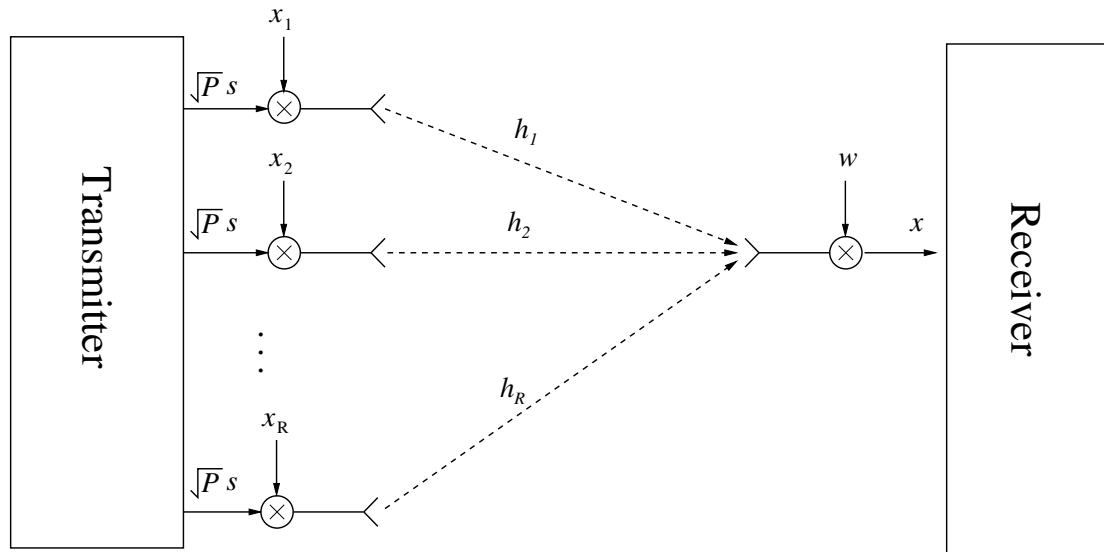
## Protocol: Amplify-and-Forward

- Amplify-and-forward + adaptive transmit power and direction.
- Two-phase protocol:

Phase 1: transmitter $\rightarrow$ relays	Phase 2: relays $\rightarrow$ receiver
$\alpha_0 \sqrt{P_0} s \rightarrow r_i = \alpha_0 \sqrt{P_0} f_i s + v_i$	$t_i = \frac{\alpha_i \sqrt{P_i}}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha_0^2  f_i ^2 P_0}} r_i e^{j\theta_i}$ $\rightarrow y = \sum_{i=1}^R g_i t_i + w$

- Transmitter uses power  $\alpha_0^2 P_0$ . Relay  $i$  uses power  $\alpha_i^2 P_i$ .
- Our Problem: **Optimize  $\alpha_0$  and  $\mathbf{x} = [\alpha_1 e^{j\theta_1} \dots \alpha_R e^{j\theta_R}]$  (relay beamforming vector).**

## Multiple-Antenna Systems



- **Beamforming:**  $\mathbf{x}_{opt} = \mathbf{h}^* / \|\mathbf{h}\|$  ( $\alpha_i = |h_i| / \|\mathbf{h}\|$ ,  $\theta_i = -\arg h_i$ ).
  - 1) Antennas can share power.
  - 2) Each antenna knows  $s$ .
- Similar idea but totally different results for networks

## Network Beamforming Problem Formulation

- Optimal angles:  $\theta_i = -\arg f_i - \arg g_i$ .
- **The transmitter should always use its full power.**
- The SNR optimization problem becomes:

$$\max_{\alpha_i \in [0,1]} \frac{P_0 \left( \sum_{i=1}^R \frac{\alpha_i |f_i g_i| \sqrt{P_i}}{\sqrt{1+|f_i|^2 P_0}} \right)^2}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^R \frac{\alpha_i^2 |g_i|^2 P_i}{1+|f_i|^2 P_0}}.$$

## Formulation Continued

- Define

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_R \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|f_1 g_1| \sqrt{P_1}}{\sqrt{1 + |f_1|^2 P_0}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{|f_R g_R| \sqrt{P_R}}{\sqrt{1 + |f_R|^2 P_0}} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{|g_1| \sqrt{P_1}}{\sqrt{1 + |f_1|^2 P_0}} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{|g_R| \sqrt{P_R}}{\sqrt{1 + |f_R|^2 P_0}} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} |f_1| \\ \vdots \\ |f_R| \end{bmatrix}, A = \text{diag} \{ \mathbf{a} \}.$$

- Transformation  $\mathbf{y} = A\mathbf{x}$ ,

$$\max_{\mathbf{y}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y} \rangle^2}{1 + \|\mathbf{y}\|^2} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad 0_R \preceq \mathbf{y} \preceq \mathbf{a}.$$

- **It is not a concave function.**

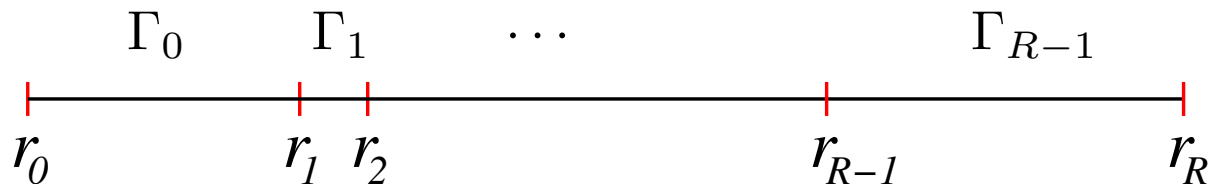
## Ideas to Solve the Optimization

- The difficulty comes from the shape of the feasible region.
- If  $\|\mathbf{y}\|$  is fixed, the solution is the vector on the hypersphere that has the smallest angle with  $\mathbf{c}$ .
- Find the optimal solution for each feasible length of  $\mathbf{y}$ , then find the optimal length.
- The feasible interval of the length of  $\mathbf{y}$  is  $[0, \|\mathbf{a}\|]$ .
- To solve the problem, we need to decompose the interval  $[0, \|\mathbf{a}\|]$  into  $R$  smaller intervals.

## Radius Decomposition

- Define  $\phi_j = \phi(f_j, g_j, P_j) = c_j/a_j = |f_j/g_j| \sqrt{1 + |f_j|^2 P_0/P_j}$ .
- Order  $\phi_{\tau_1} \geq \phi_{\tau_2} \geq \dots \geq \phi_{\tau_R}$ .
- $[0, \|\mathbf{a}\|] = [r_0, r_1] \cup \dots \cup [r_{R-1}, r_R]$ , where  $r_0 = 0$  and

$$r_i = \sqrt{\phi_{\tau_i}^{-2} \|\mathbf{c}_{\tau_i, \dots, \tau_R}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_{i-1}}\|^2} = \sqrt{\phi_{\tau_i}^{-2} \|\mathbf{c}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}\|^2}$$



## Steps to Solve the Problem

$$\underbrace{\max_{i=0,\dots,R} \max_{r \in \Gamma_i} \frac{1}{1+r^2} \left( \underbrace{\max_{\|\mathbf{y}\|=r} \langle \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y} \rangle}_{\mathbf{z}^{(i,r)}} \right)^2}_{\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \text{ or } \mathbf{y}^{(i)}}}_{\mathbf{x}^*}.$$

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
Find $\mathbf{z}^{(i,r)}$	Find $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$ or equivalently $\mathbf{y}^{(i)}$	Find $\mathbf{x}^*$

## Step 1: the Inner Product Maximization

- $\mathbf{z}^{(i,r)}$  is the vector on the hypersphere of radius  $r$  and within the feasible region that has the minimum angle with  $\mathbf{c}$ .

**Lemma 1.**  $\mathbf{z}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}^{(i,r)} = \mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}$  and  $\mathbf{z}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}^{(i,r)} = \lambda_{r,i} \mathbf{c}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}$ ,

where

$$\lambda_{r,i} = \frac{\sqrt{r^2 - \|\mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}\|^2}}{\|\mathbf{c}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}\|}$$

and  $\mathbf{a}_{i_1, \dots, i_k} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{i_1} & \cdots & a_{i_k} \end{bmatrix}^T$ . Thus,

$$\max_{\|\mathbf{y}\|=r \in \Gamma_i, \mathbf{y} \in \Lambda} \langle \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \sum_{m=1}^i b_{\tau_m} + \lambda_{r,i} \|\mathbf{c}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}\|^2.$$

## Step 2: the $i$ th Subproblem

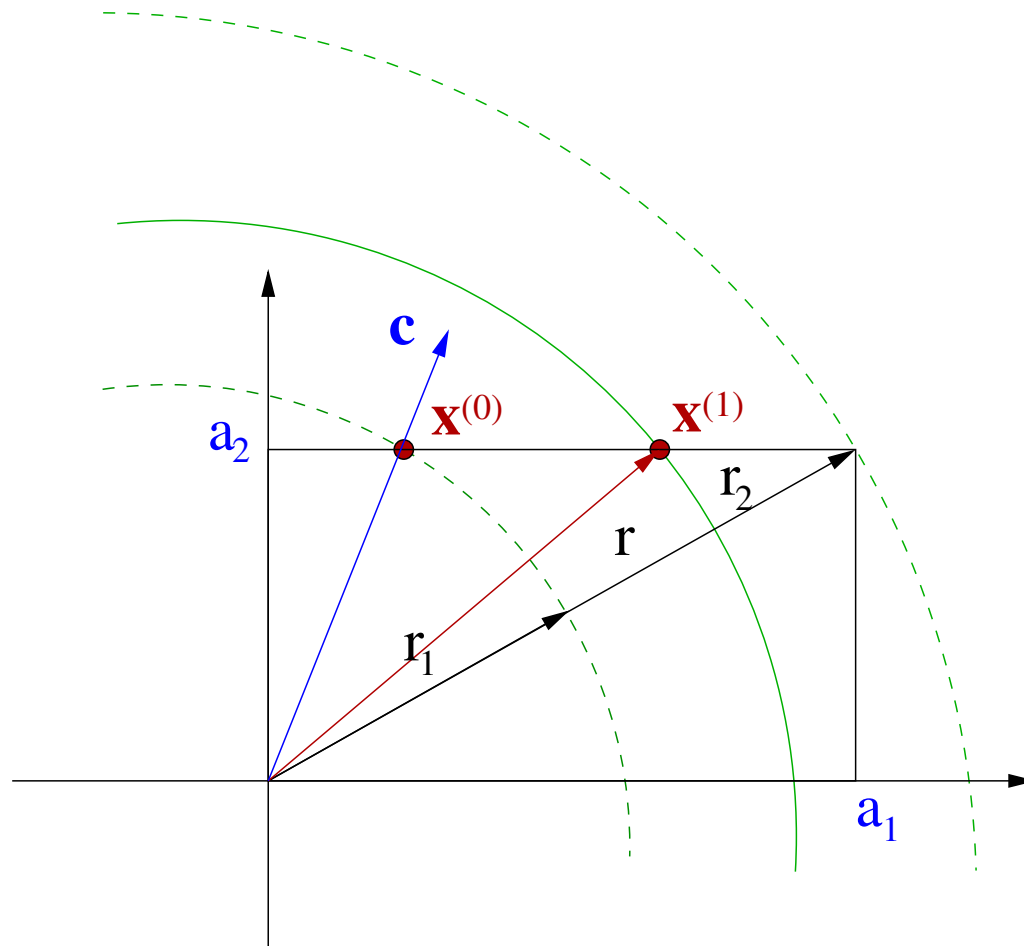
The optimization of  $\mathbf{y}^{(i)}$  is thus transformed into a 1D problem:

$$\max_{\lambda \in [\phi_{\tau_i}^{-1}, \phi_{\tau_{i+1}}^{-1}]} \frac{\left( \sum_{m=1}^i b_{\tau_m} + \|\mathbf{c}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}\|^2 \lambda \right)^2}{1 + \|\mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{c}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}\|^2 \lambda^2}.$$

**Lemma 2.**

- $\mathbf{y}^{(0)} = \phi_{\tau_1}^{-1} \mathbf{c}$
- $\begin{cases} \mathbf{y}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}^{(i)} = \mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i} \\ \mathbf{y}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R}^{(i)} = \min \left\{ \frac{1 + \|\mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}\|^2}{\sum_{m=1}^i b_{\tau_m}}, \phi_{\tau_{i+1}}^{-1} \right\} \mathbf{c}_{\tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R} \end{cases}.$

## Illustration of a 2D Case



## The Main Theorem

- Define  $\phi_j = \phi(f_j, g_j, P_j) = c_j/a_j = |f_j/g_j| \sqrt{1 + |f_j|^2 P_0/P_j}$ .
- Order  $\phi_{\tau_1} \geq \phi_{\tau_2} \geq \dots \geq \phi_{\tau_R}$ .

**Theorem 1.** Define  $\mathbf{x}^{(i)}$  as

$$\mathbf{x}_j^{(i)} = \begin{cases} 1 & j = \tau_1, \dots, \tau_i \\ \lambda_i \phi_j & j = \tau_{i+1}, \dots, \tau_R \end{cases}$$

and

$$\lambda_i = \frac{1 + \|\mathbf{a}_{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_i}\|^2}{\sum_{m=1}^i b_{\tau_m}}.$$

- The solution is  $\mathbf{x}^{(i_0)}$  with  $i_0$  the smallest  $i$  such that  $\lambda_i < \phi_{\tau_{i+1}}^{-1}$ .
- $i_0 \geq 1$ .

## Discussion

- The optimal transmit power of Relay  $i$  is not binary and not even a differentiable function of channel coefficients.
- A relay transmit power is determined not only by its own channels but all others' as well.  $P_0$  and all the  $P_1, \dots, P_R$  play roles as well.
- There exists an  $i_0$  such that the  $i_0$  relays with the largest  $\phi$ 's use their full power.
- At least one relay uses its full power. This can be represented by  $\mathcal{X} \triangleq \{\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^R \text{ and } \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = 1\}$ .
- For the remaining  $R - i_0$  relays, the power used at the  $j$ th relay is  $\lambda_{i_0}^2 \phi_j^2 P_j$  with  $\lambda_{i_0}$  a constant for each channel realization.

## Distributed Scheme 1

- For networks with a small number of relays
- The receiver broadcasts

$$\boxed{(b_1, \dots, b_R) \quad \lambda_{i_0}}$$

- If  $b_i = 1$ , Relay  $i$  uses its full power. Otherwise, it uses power  $\lambda_{i_0}^2 \phi_j^2 P_j$ .
- Feedback bits:  $R + B_1$ , with  $B_1$  the number of bits for  $\lambda_{i_0}$ .

## Distributed Scheme 2

- More economical in networks with a lot of relays
- The receiver broadcasts

$$\boxed{d (\phi_{\tau_{i_0}} > d > \phi_{\tau_{i_0+1}}) \quad \lambda_{i_0}}$$

- If  $\phi_j > d$ , Relay  $j$  uses its full power. Otherwise, it uses power  $\lambda_{i_0}^2 \phi_j^2 P_j$ .
- Feedback bits:  $2B_1$ .

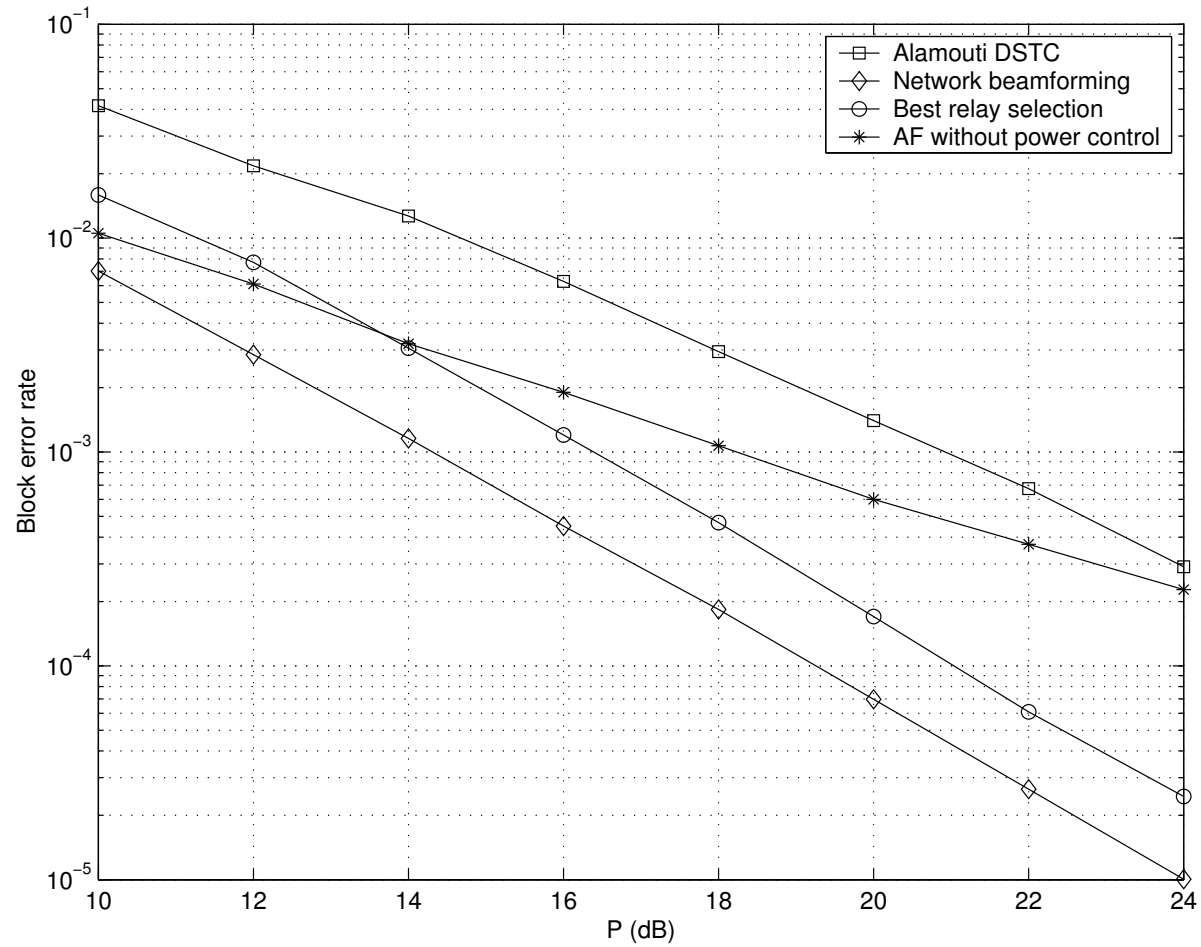
## Simulation Setup

- Schemes
  - Network beamforming: match filters and power control at relays
  - Coherent amplify-and-forward: match filters only
  - Distributed space-time coding: no channel information at relays
  - Best-relay selection: choose the relay with the highest

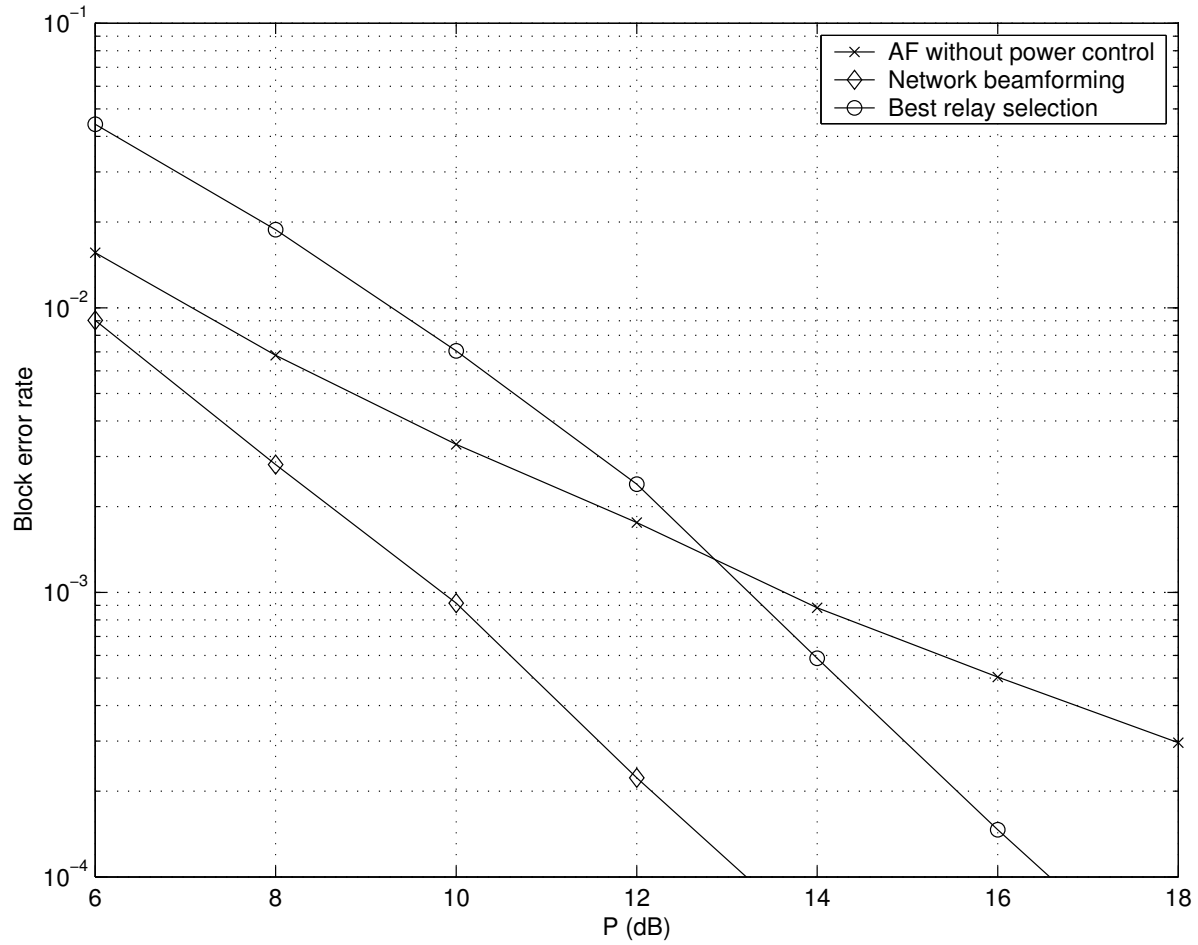
$$h_j = h(f_j, g_j, P_j) = \frac{P_j |f_j g_j|^2}{1 + |f_j|^2 P_0 + |g_j|^2 P_j}.$$

- $P_i/P$  is a constant.

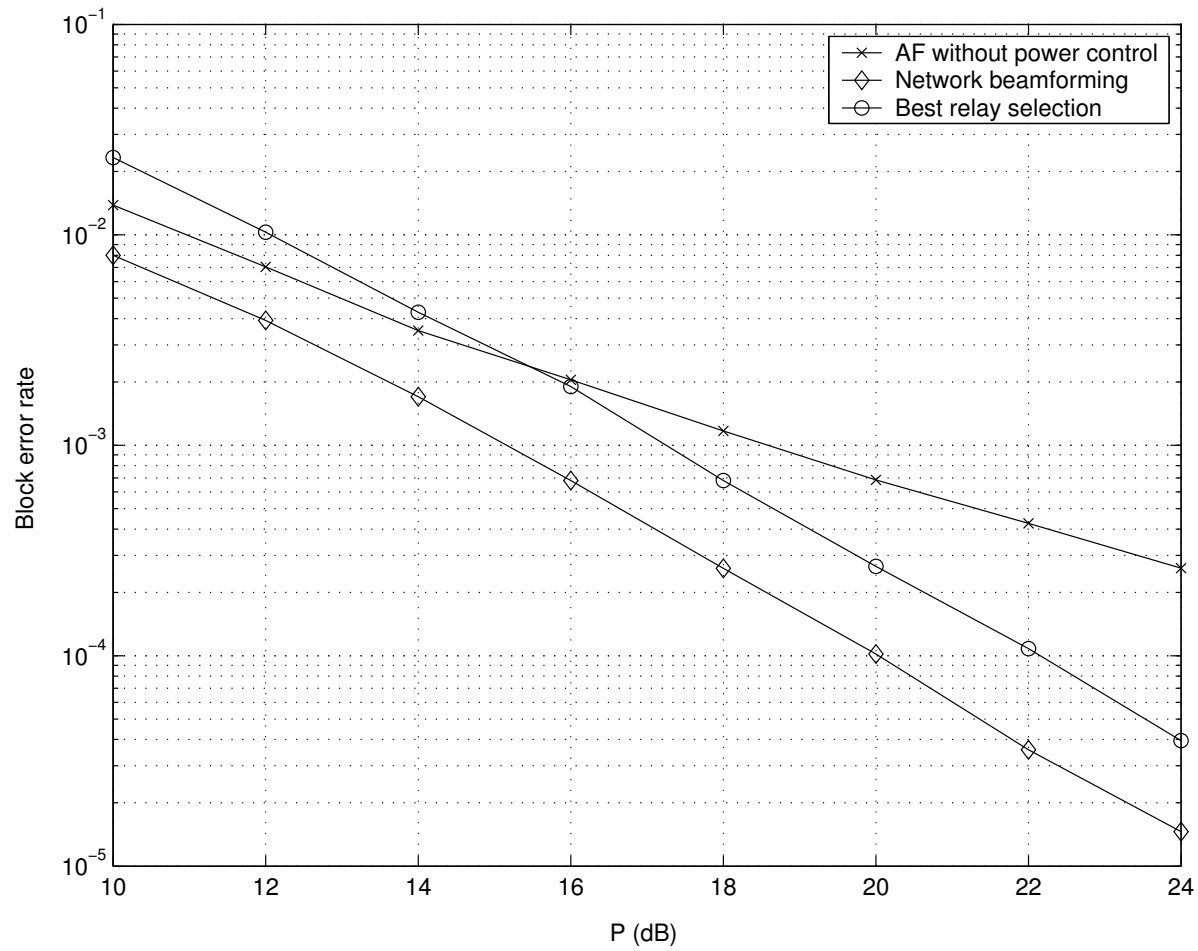
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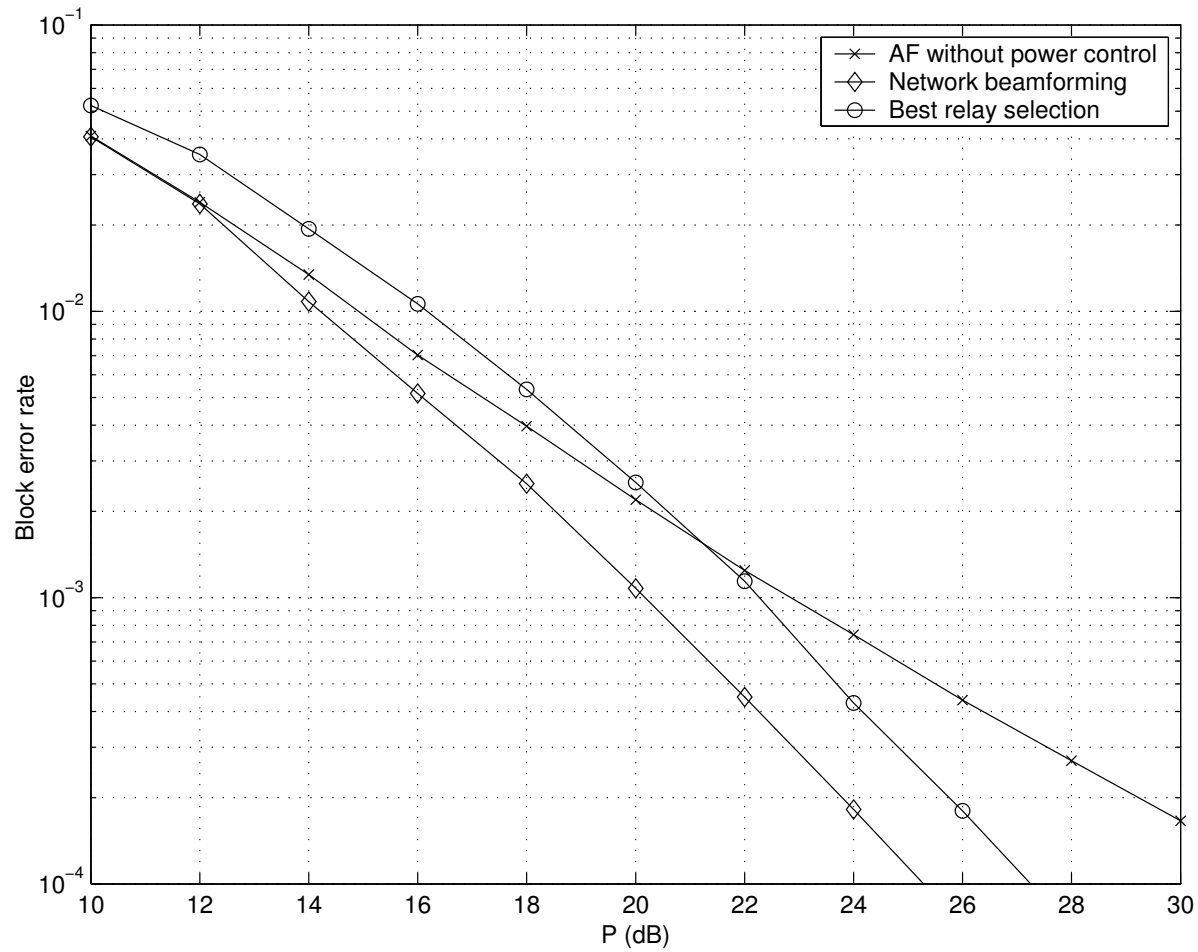
# Simulation: Rayleigh Fading and $P_i = P$ (3 relays)



# Network with different relay powers $P_0 = P_1 = 2P_2$



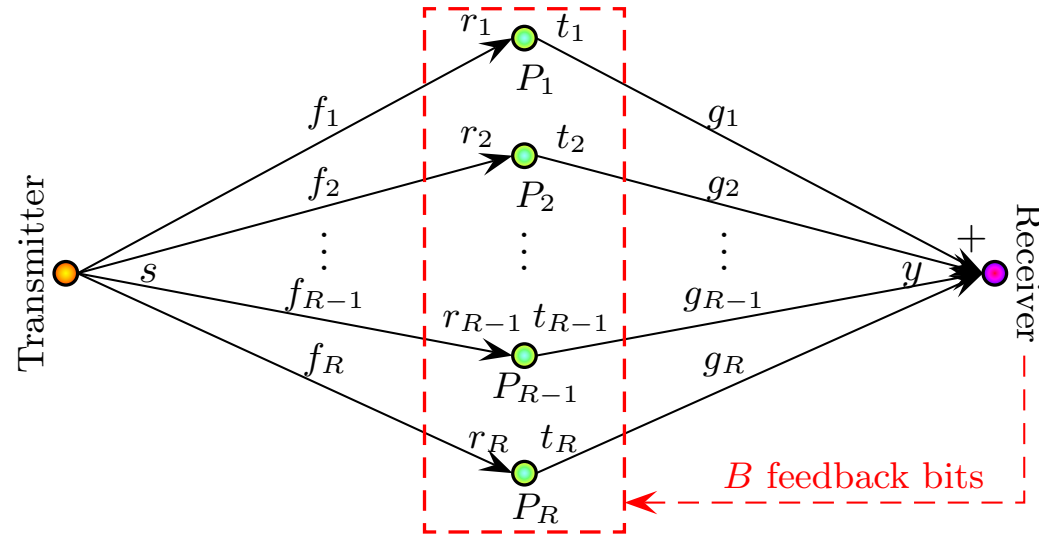
# Network with path-loss plus fading channels with $\rho = 2$



## What's Next?

- Beamforming in wireless relay networks with perfect channel information at relays.
  - Adaptive relay power control
  - Analytical solution with linear complexity
  - Distributive schemes
  - Full diversity and optimal array gain
- Next: **network with partial channel information**
  - Quantized feedback
  - Channel statistics (mean and covariance)

# Wireless Relay Network with Quantized Feedback



- The  $i$ th relay knows  $f_i$ .
- Each relay has  $B$  bits of partial CSI provided by the receiver.
- The feedback channel is error-free and delay-free.
- The information each relay receives from the feedback is the same.
  - Common codebook:  $\mathcal{C} = \{\mathbf{x}^1, \dots, \mathbf{x}^M\}$ , contains  $M = 2^B$  beamforming vectors.

## Feedback Transmission Scheme

- Each channel realization  $\mathbf{h} = (f_1, g_1, \dots, f_R, g_R)$ , is quantized using a quantizer  $\mathcal{Q} \triangleq \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{h}))$ :
  - The encoder mapping  $\mathcal{E} : \mathbb{C}^{2R} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}$ .
  - The decoder mapping  $\mathcal{D} : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ .
  - $\mathcal{I} = \{1, \dots, M\}$ .
- **The receiver:**
  - Performs the encoding operation  $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{h}) = m$ ,
  - Feeds back  $B$  bits, representing  $m$ .
- **Each relay:**
  - Decodes the feedback bits,  $\mathcal{D}(m) = \mathbf{x}^m = (x_1^m, x_2^m, \dots, x_R^m)$ .
  - Uses the complex number  $x_i^m$  to adjust its transmit power and phase.

## Performance Measure

- The received SNR is given by:

$$\gamma(\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{h}), \mathbf{h}) = P_0 \frac{\left| \sum_{i=1}^R x_i^m f_i g_i \sqrt{\frac{P_i}{1+|f_i|^2 P_0}} \right|^2}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^R |x_i^m|^2 |g_i|^2 \frac{P_i}{1+|f_i|^2 P_0}} \text{ for } \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{x}^m \in \mathcal{C}.$$

- The performance measure is the bit error rate (BER):

$$P_e = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{h}} \left[ \mathbb{Q} \left[ \sqrt{2\gamma(\mathbf{h}; \mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{C})} \right] \right], \text{ for BPSK.}$$

- *Goal: Jointly optimize the quantizer  $\mathcal{Q}$  and the quantization codebook  $\mathcal{C}$ , such that the BER is minimized.*

## The Optimal Quantizer

- Given a fixed codebook  $\mathcal{C}$ , the optimal quantizer chooses the SNR maximizing beamforming vector in  $\mathcal{C}$ :

$$\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{C}}^*(\mathbf{h}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{C}} \gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}).$$

- Codebook design: **The Generalized Lloyd Algorithm (GLA)**
  - For a given codebook  $\{\mathbf{x}^m : m = 1, \dots, M\}$ , the optimal partition of the channel state space is given by:

$$\mathcal{R}_m \triangleq \{\mathbf{h} : \gamma(\mathbf{x}^m, \mathbf{h}) > \gamma(\mathbf{x}^n, \mathbf{h}), \forall n \neq m\}.$$

- For a given partition  $\{\mathcal{R}_m : m = 1, \dots, M\}$ , the optimal codebook vectors satisfy:

$$\mathbf{x}^m = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{h}} \left[ \mathcal{Q} \left( \sqrt{2\gamma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h})} \right) \mid \mathbf{h} \in \mathcal{R}_m \right].$$

## Performance Analysis - Diversity

- **Idea:** Introduce structured codebook designs that provide full diversity. The GLA can be used to further improve the performance.
- The relay selection scheme:
  - For a given  $\mathbf{h}$ , *only one of the relays* is allowed to cooperate.
  - Codebook:  $\mathcal{C}_e \triangleq \{\mathbf{e}^m : m = 1, \dots, M\}$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_i^m = 1$  if  $i = m$ , and  $\mathbf{e}_i^m = 0$  for  $i \neq m$ .

## Main Theorem

- **Theorem 2:** Let  $P_i = \lambda_i P_0$ , where  $\lambda_i > 0$  are constants, and  $\lambda \triangleq \max_i \{1 + \lambda_i^{-1/2}\}$ . Then, the BER of the relay selection scheme is bounded by:

$$P_e < R P_0^{-R} \lambda^{2R} \sum_{n=0}^{R-1} \binom{R-1}{n} n!.$$

- The relay selection scheme achieves the **full diversity order  $R$**  for  $B = \log_2 R$ .
- In general, the diversity order  **$\min(2^B, R)$**  is achievable with quantized feedback.

## Performance Analysis - Average SNR Loss and Capacity Loss

- The *pointwise* SNR loss of  $\mathcal{C}$ : The difference between the received SNRs with perfect feedback and with  $\mathcal{C}$ , e.g.

$$D(\mathbf{h}) \triangleq \gamma(\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{X}}^*(\mathbf{h}), \mathbf{h}) - \gamma(\mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{C}}^*(\mathbf{h}), \mathbf{h}).$$

- **Theorem 3:** The average SNR loss with quantized feedback decays at least exponentially as the number of feedback bits  $B$ :

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{h}} [D(\mathbf{h})] < \mu 2^{-\frac{B}{2(R-1)}},$$

where  $\mu$  is independent of  $B$ .

- **Corollary:** The capacity loss with quantized feedback decays at least exponentially as the number of feedback bits  $B$ :

$$C_{Loss} < \mu 2^{-\frac{B}{2(R-1)}}.$$

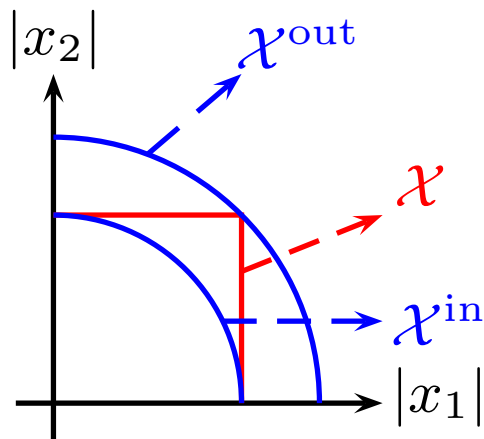
## Performance Analysis - BER

- An exact BER analysis is not tractable, mostly because of the shape of the feasible set  $\mathcal{X} \triangleq \{\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^R \text{ and } \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty = 1\}$ .
- Solution: Bound the BER with  $\mathcal{X}$  by BERs with feasible sets that correspond to a sum-power constraint on relays, e.g.  $\mathcal{X}^{\text{in}}$  and  $\mathcal{X}^{\text{out}}$ . These sets are much easier to deal with.

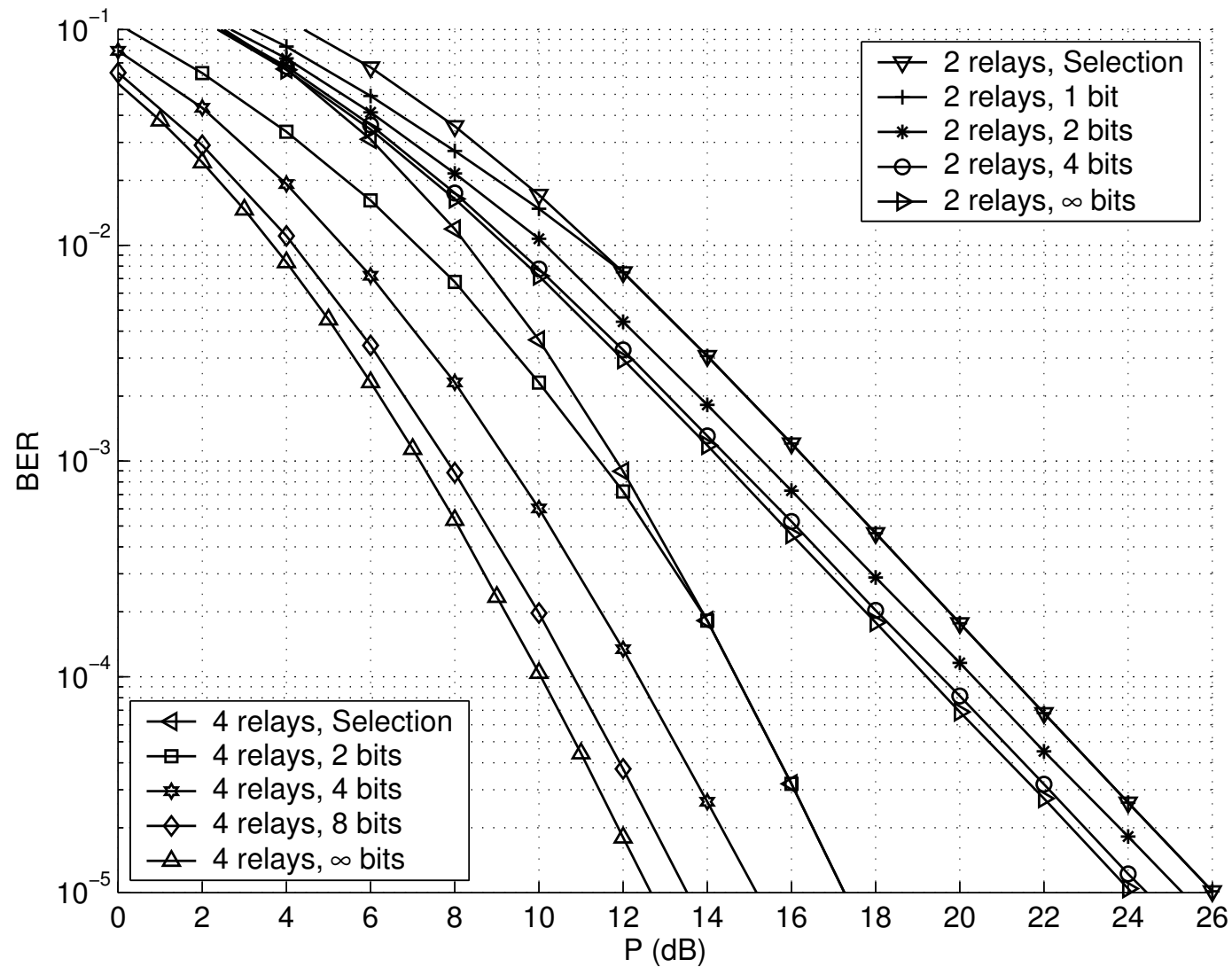
$$\mathcal{X}^{\text{in}} \triangleq \{\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^R \text{ and } \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = 1\},$$

$$\mathcal{X}^{\text{out}} \triangleq \{\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^R \text{ and } \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = R\}.$$

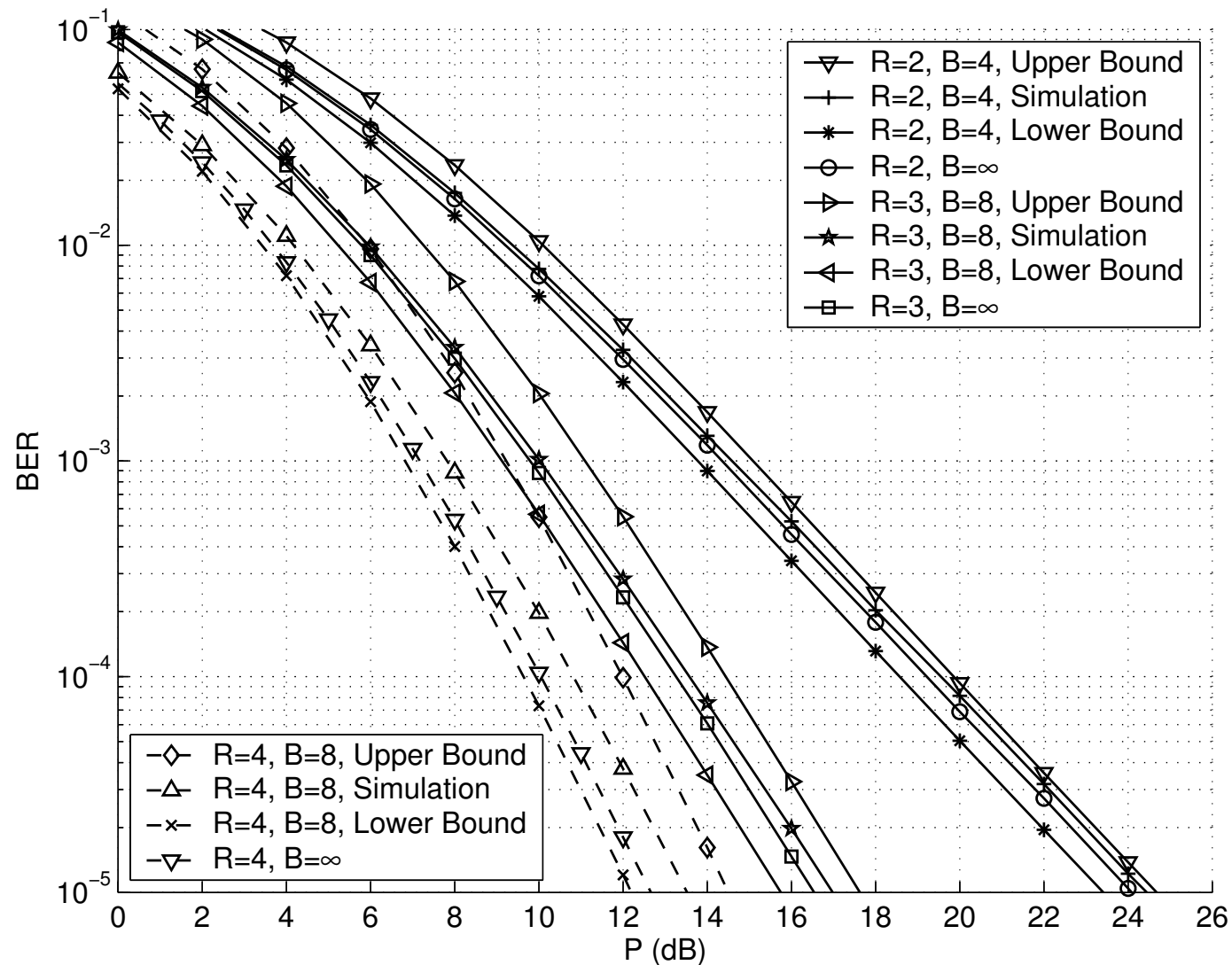
- An illustration for a 2-relay network:



# Simulation Results ( $P_i = P$ )



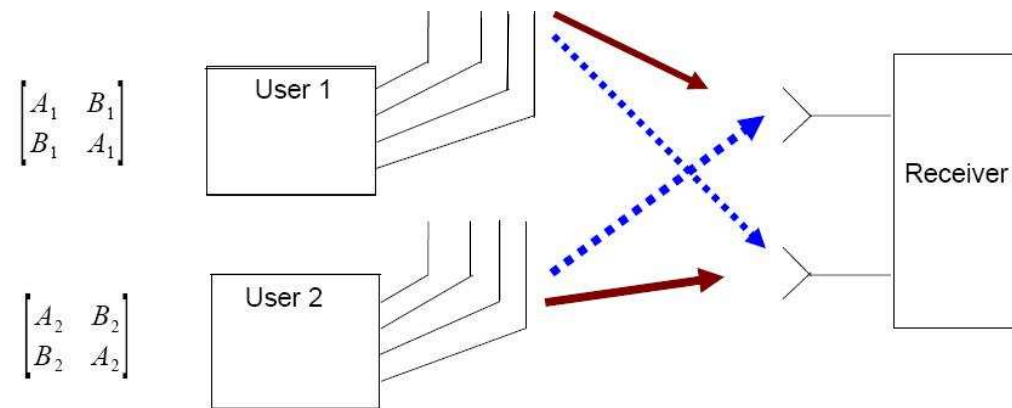
# Simulation Results - BER Analysis ( $P_i = P$ )



## Conclusions

- We introduced **Network Beamforming**
  - Adaptive relay power control
  - Analytical solution with linear complexity
  - Distributive schemes
  - Full diversity and optimal array gain
- We also proposed distributed codebook designs using quantized feedback information
- Network beamforming with quantized feedback achieves full diversity

## Using MIMO for Interference Cancellation



- To cancel the interference of  $J$  users, we only need  $J$  receive antennas

## Properties

- Advantages
  - Simple Decoding
  - Rate One
  - Full (transmit) Diversity
  - Extendable to any Number of Users
- Disadvantage
  - Needs Synchronization