

# Asymptotic Capacity of Multi-User MIMO Communications



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## Abstract

This poster introduces **two theorems from Random Matrix Theory** to derive **capacity expressions** of a class of multi-user communication schemes, among which **single-user MIMO with multi-cell interference** presented here. A Kronecker channel model is assumed between the base stations and the terminals. New asymptotic capacity formulas, **independent of the instantaneous channel realization**, are provided for single-user decoding and MMSE decoding at the terminal.

## Introduction

- We consider a downlink scenario with multi-cell interference with
  - $K$  base-stations, among which  $K - 1$  called interferers
  - $n_{T_k}, n_R \gg K$  antennas at the transmitter  $k$  and the receiver
  - Kronecker channel model  $\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{R}_k^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{T}_k^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , due to
    - limited distance between antennas
    - privileged directions of energy propagation
- Assuming large numbers of antennas, we study the asymptotic
  - **single user (SU) decoding** capacity, with uniform and optimal power allocation
  - **MMSE decoder** capacity
- Our objective is to
  - **provide deterministic equivalents to SU and MMSE capacities independently of the instantaneous channel realization**

## System Model

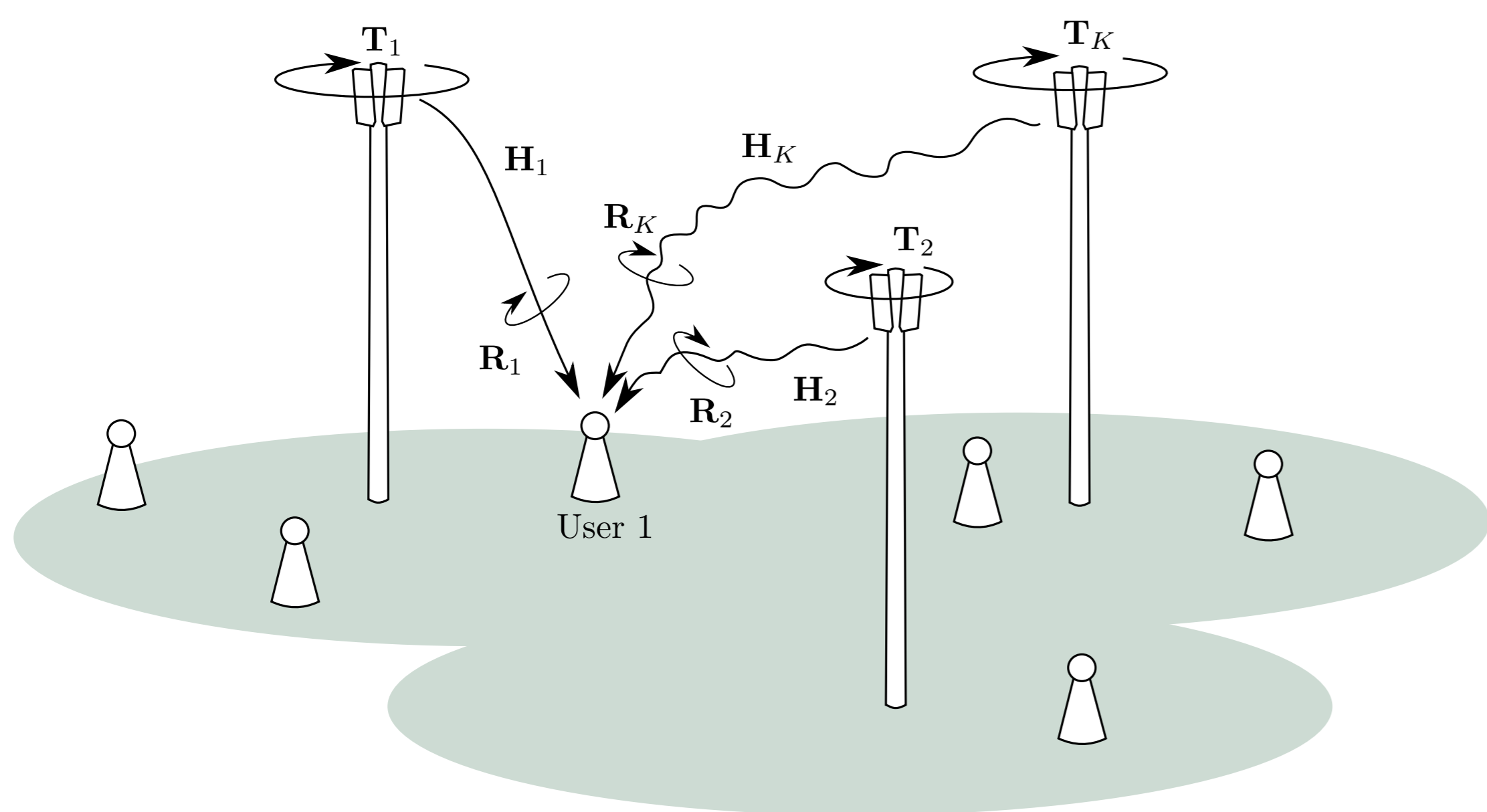


Figure: Single-user MIMO in multi-cell interference

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{s}_1 + \sum_{j=2}^K \mathbf{H}_j \mathbf{s}_j + \mathbf{n} \quad (1)$$

with  $\mathbf{H}_k = \mathbf{R}_k^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{T}_k^{\frac{1}{2}} \in \mathbb{C}^{n_R \times n_{T_k}}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{C}^{n_R}$  received signal by user 1,  $\mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{C}^{n_R}$  AWGN,  $\mathbf{s}_k \in \mathbb{C}^{n_{T_k}}$  symbol of base station  $k$ .

## Single-user and MMSE decoding

- (Per-antenna) single-user decoding capacity

$$C_{\text{SU}}(\sigma^2) = \frac{1}{n_R} \log_2 |\mathbf{I}_{n_R} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{H}_j \mathbf{H}_j^H| - \frac{1}{n_R} \log_2 |\mathbf{I}_{n_R} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=2}^K \mathbf{H}_j \mathbf{H}_j^H| \quad (2)$$

- MMSE decoder capacity

$$C_{\text{MMSE}}(\sigma^2) = \frac{1}{n_R} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{T_1}} \log_2(1 + \gamma_i) \quad (3)$$

with

$$\gamma_i = \mathbf{h}_i^H \left( \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{H}_j \mathbf{H}_j^H - \mathbf{h}_i \mathbf{h}_i^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_{n_R} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{h}_i \quad (4)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \frac{T_{1_{ii}}}{n_{T_1}} \text{tr} \mathbf{R}_1 \left( \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{H}_j \mathbf{H}_j^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_{n_R} \right)^{-1} \quad (5)$$

where  $\mathbf{h}_j \in \mathbb{C}^{n_{T_j}}$  is the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of  $\mathbf{H}_1$

## Theorem 1. Deterministic equivalent of the Stieltjes Transform

Let  $K, N, \{n_k\}_{k=1..K} \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $c_k = n_k/N$ , and let

$$\mathbf{B}_N = \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{R}_k^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}_k \mathbf{T}_k \mathbf{X}_k^H \mathbf{R}_k^{\frac{1}{2}} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N} \quad (6)$$

$\mathbf{T}_k \in \mathbb{C}^{n_k \times n_k}$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_k \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times N}$  nonnegative definite,  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n_k}} \mathbf{X}_k \in \mathbb{C}^{N \times n_k}$  standard Gaussian. Denote, for  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $m_N(z) = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_N - z \mathbf{I}_N)^{-1}$ . Then, as  $n_k, N \rightarrow \infty$  ( $c_k$  fixed),

$$m_N(z) - m_N^{(0)}(z) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0 \quad (7)$$

where

$$m_N^{(0)}(z) = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr} \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \int \frac{\tau_k dF^{\mathbf{T}_k}(\tau_k)}{1 + \frac{\tau_k}{c_k} e_k(z)} \mathbf{R}_k - z \mathbf{I}_N \right)^{-1} \quad (8)$$

and the  $\{e_k(z)\}$  form the unique solution to the equations

$$e_i(z) = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr} \mathbf{R}_i \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \int \frac{\tau_k dF^{\mathbf{T}_k}(\tau_k)}{1 + \frac{\tau_k}{c_k} e_k(z)} \mathbf{R}_k - z \mathbf{I}_N \right)^{-1} \quad (9)$$

## Theorem 2. Deterministic equivalent of the Shannon Transform

If  $\frac{1}{n_k} \text{tr}(\mathbf{T}_k) = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr}(\mathbf{R}_k) = 1$ , then  $\mathcal{V}(x) - \mathcal{V}^{(0)}(x) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$ , where

$$\mathcal{V}(x) = \frac{1}{N} \log \det \left( \mathbf{I}_N + \frac{1}{x} \mathbf{B}_N \right) \quad (10)$$

and

$$\mathcal{V}^{(0)}(x) = \frac{1}{N} \log \det \left( \mathbf{I}_N + \frac{1}{x} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{R}_k \int \frac{\tau_k dF^{\mathbf{T}_k}(\tau_k)}{1 + c_k e_k(-x) \tau_k} \right) + \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{1}{c_k} \int \log(1 + c_k e_k(-x) \tau_k) dF^{\mathbf{T}_k}(\tau_k) + x \cdot m_N^{(0)}(-x) - 1 \quad (11)$$

## Capacity with uniform/optimal power allocation

- Uniform power allocation
  - $C_{\text{SU}}(\sigma^2)$  obtained directly from Theorem 2.
  - $C_{\text{MMSE}}(\sigma^2) = \frac{1}{n_R} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{T_1}} \log_2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\alpha_i} T_{1_{ii}} e_1(-\sigma^2) \right)$ , with  $e_1$  defined in Theorem 1.
- Optimal power allocation for SU decoding

$$C_{\text{SU}}(\sigma^2) = \frac{1}{n_R} \log \left| \mathbf{I} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{A}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{R}_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{T}_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{T}_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}_1^H \mathbf{R}_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{A}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right|, \quad \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}_{n_R} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j>1} \mathbf{H}_j \mathbf{P}_j \mathbf{H}_j^H \quad (12)$$

Optimal Strategy: align eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{P}_1$  to  $\mathbf{T}_1$  and  $\{p_j\} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{P}_1)$  as

$$\begin{cases} p_i = 0 & (1/\alpha_i) - 1 \leq \frac{1}{n_{T_1}} \sum_{l=1}^{n_{T_1}} (1 - \alpha_l) \\ p_i = (1 - \alpha_i) \left( \frac{1}{n_{T_1}} \sum_{l=1}^{n_{T_1}} (1 - \alpha_l) \right)^{-1} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

for  $\alpha_i \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} (1 + T_{1_{ii}} e_1(-\sigma^2))^{-1}$ .

## Simulations

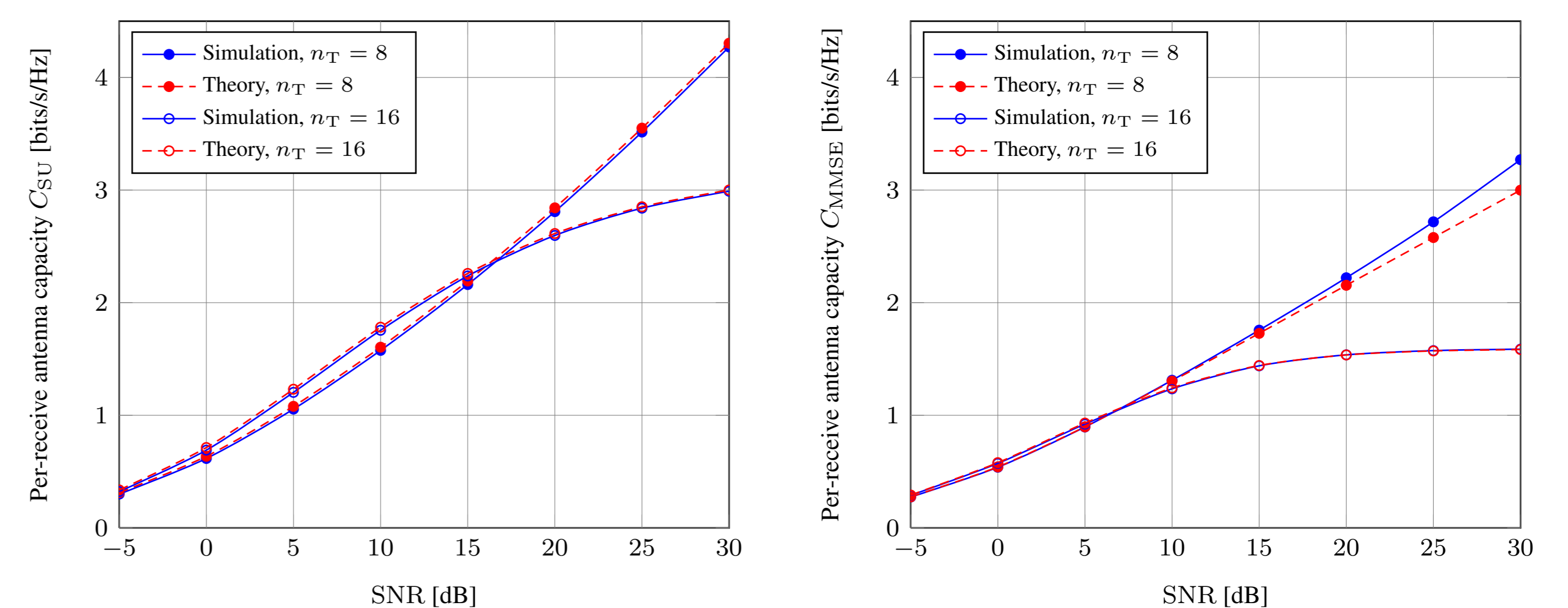


Figure: Capacity of point-to-point MIMO in two-cell downlink, single-user (left) and MMSE (right) decoding,  $n_R = 16$ ,  $n_T \in \{8, 16\}$ , interferer strength 0.25.

## Conclusion

- deterministic equivalent of the capacity of multi-user correlated MIMO systems: SU decoding with power allocation and MMSE decoder.
- **asymptotic independence of channel realization.**