

# **Encoding/Decoding Strategies and Rate Regions for Cooperative Multiple Access Channels**

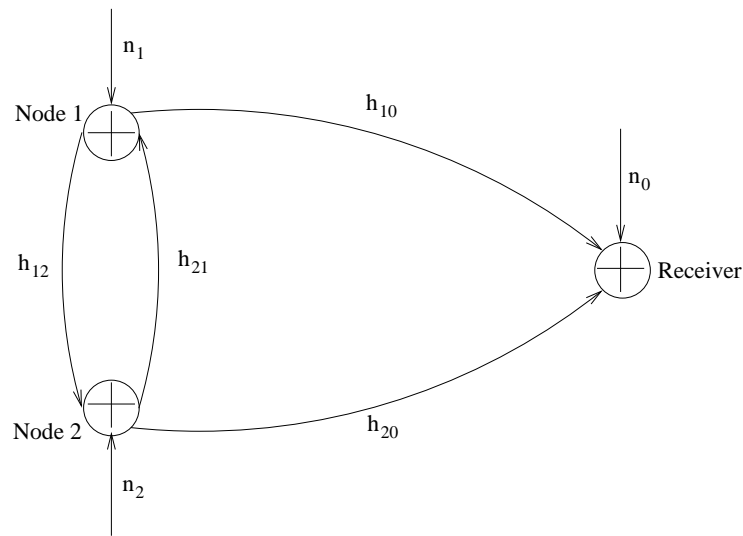
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## User Cooperation



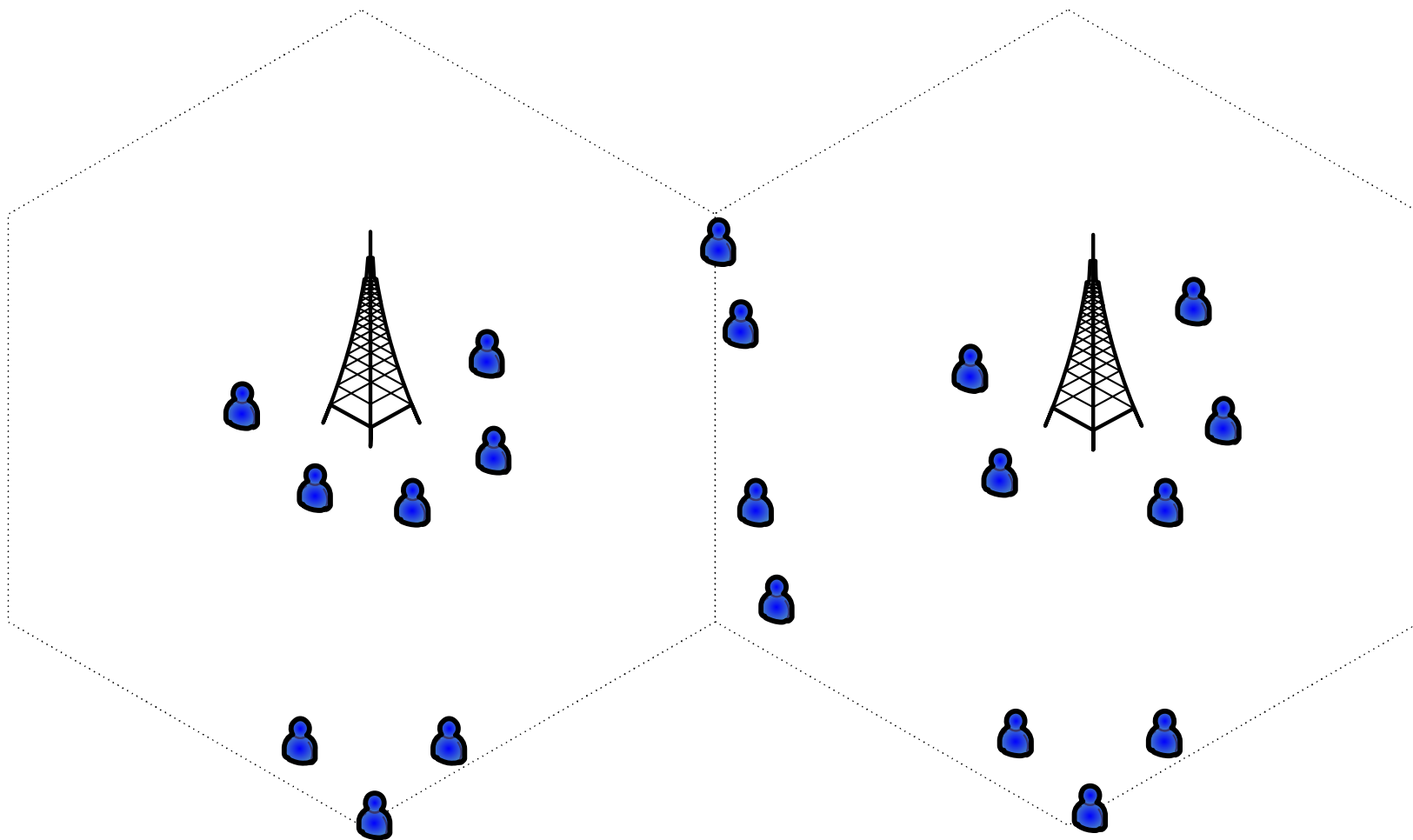
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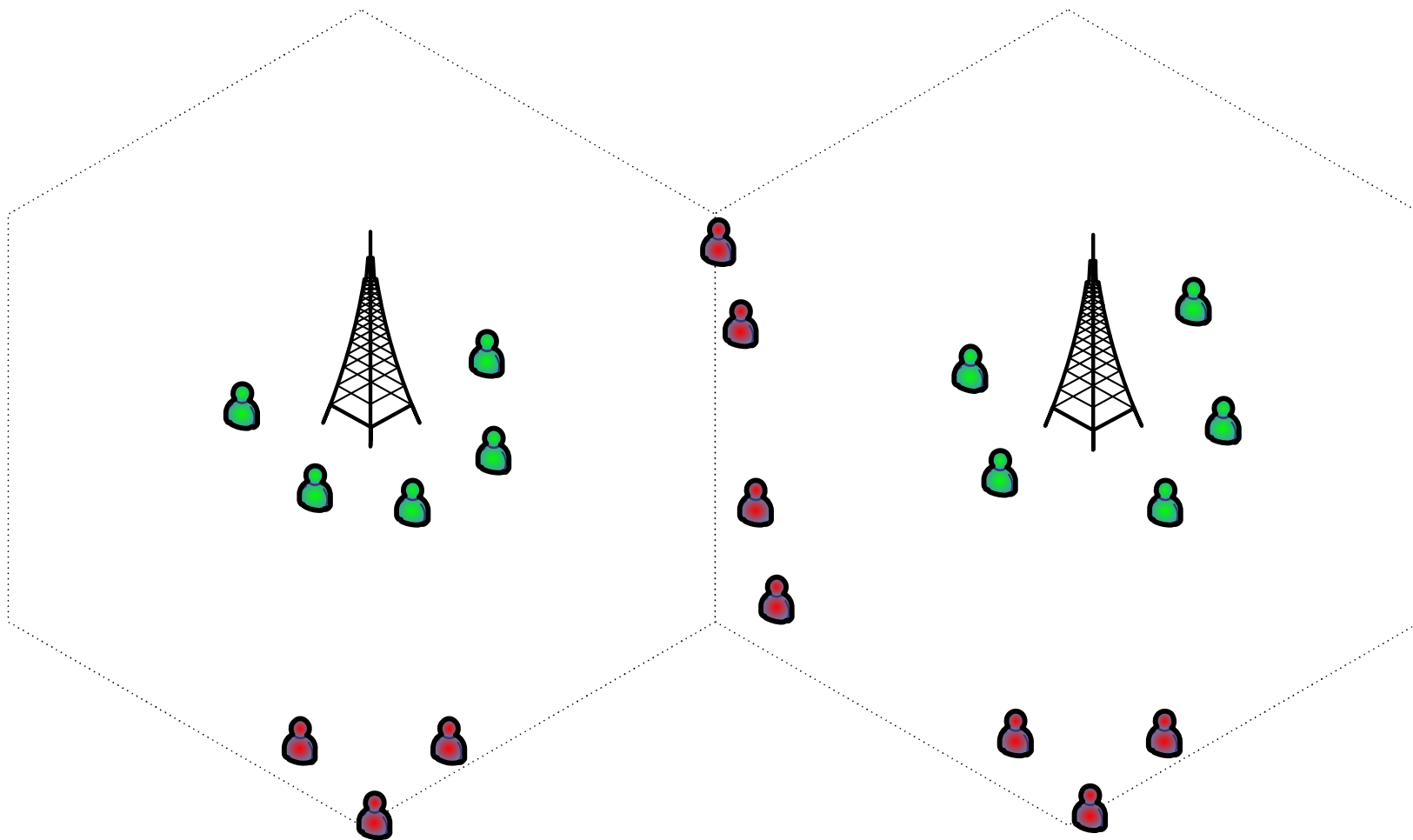
$$Y_2 = h_{12}X_1 + n_2$$

- Interference is information.
- Some versions of all transmitted signals are received by all nodes.
- User cooperation: exploit overheard information to jointly design encoding, transmit, routing policies.
- Building block towards the analysis of larger networks.

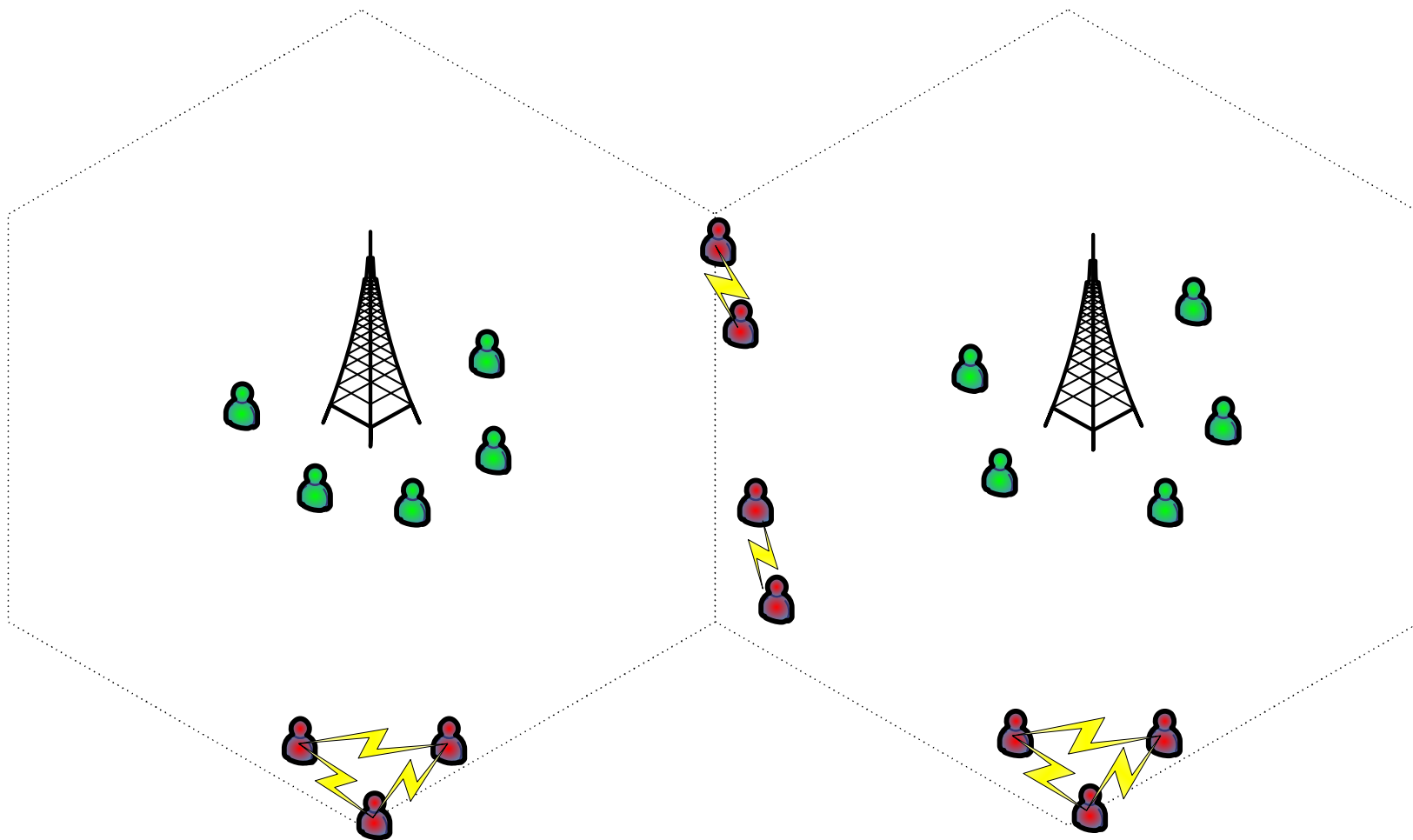
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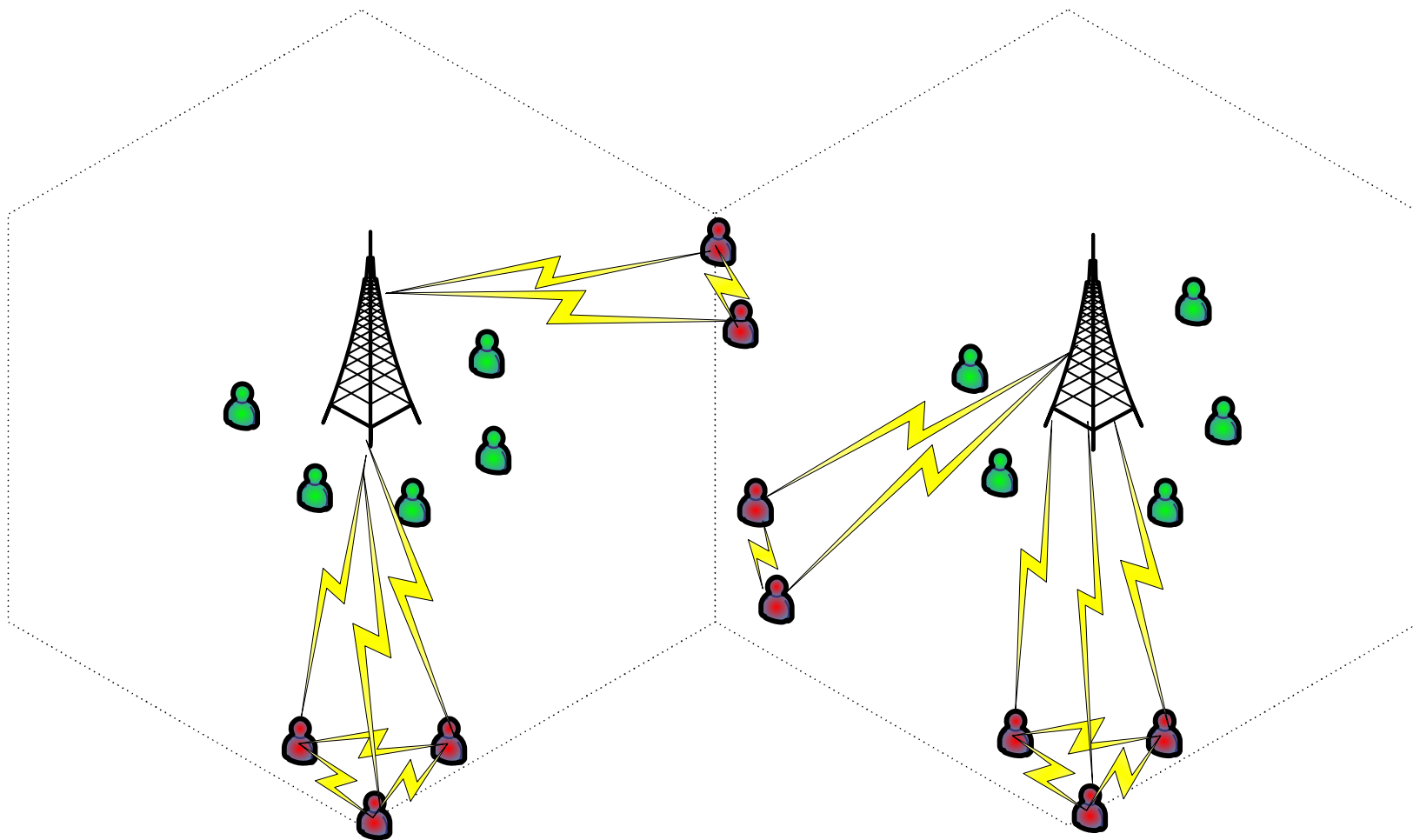
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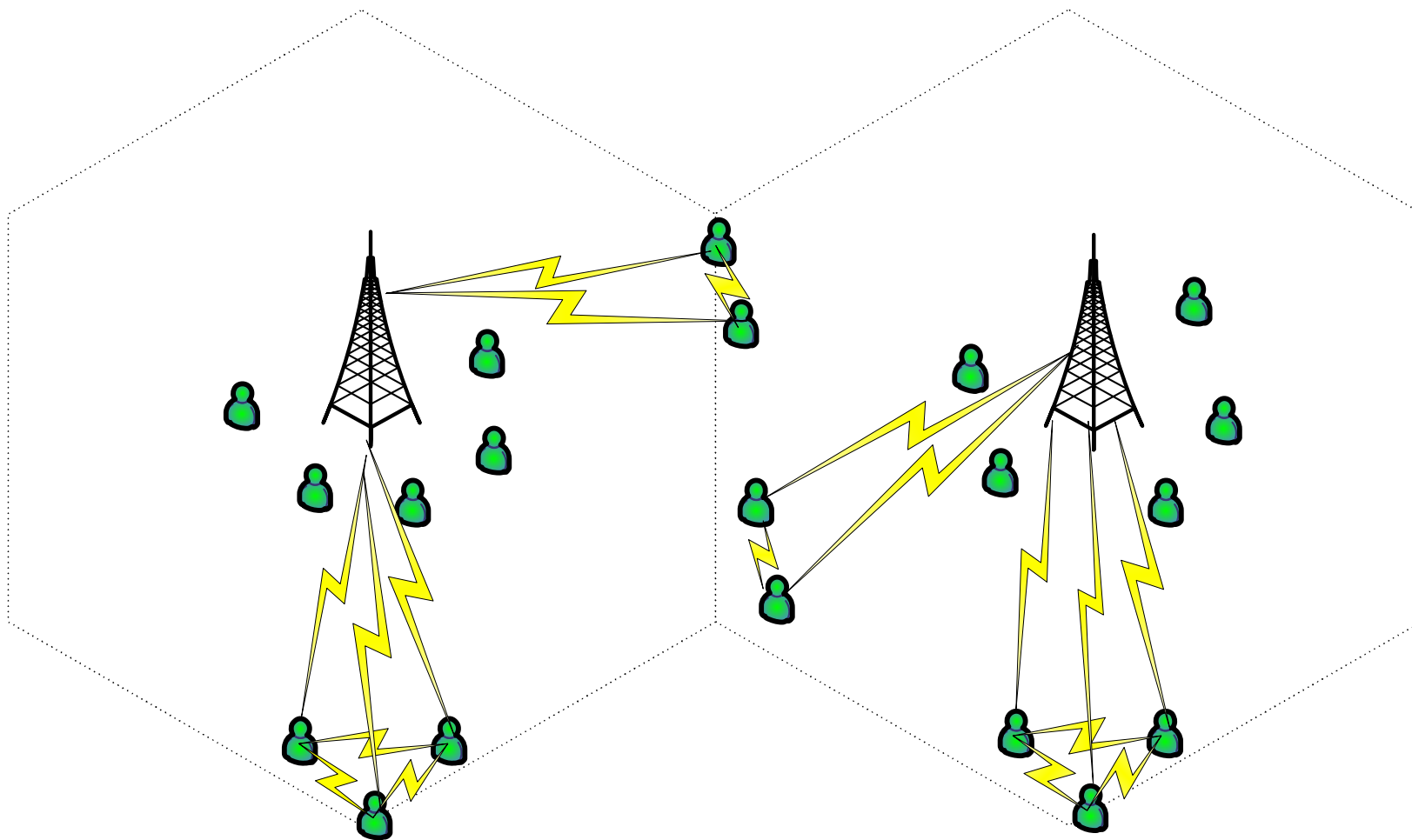
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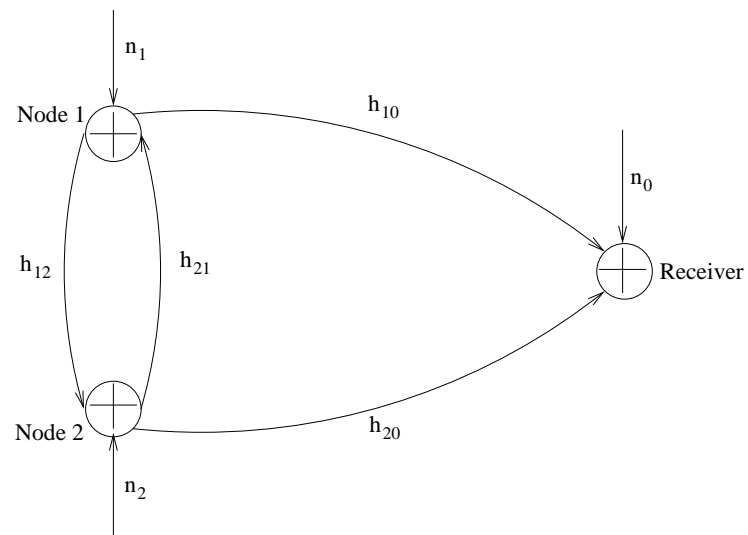
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## Optimum Power Allocation for the Two User Cooperative MAC



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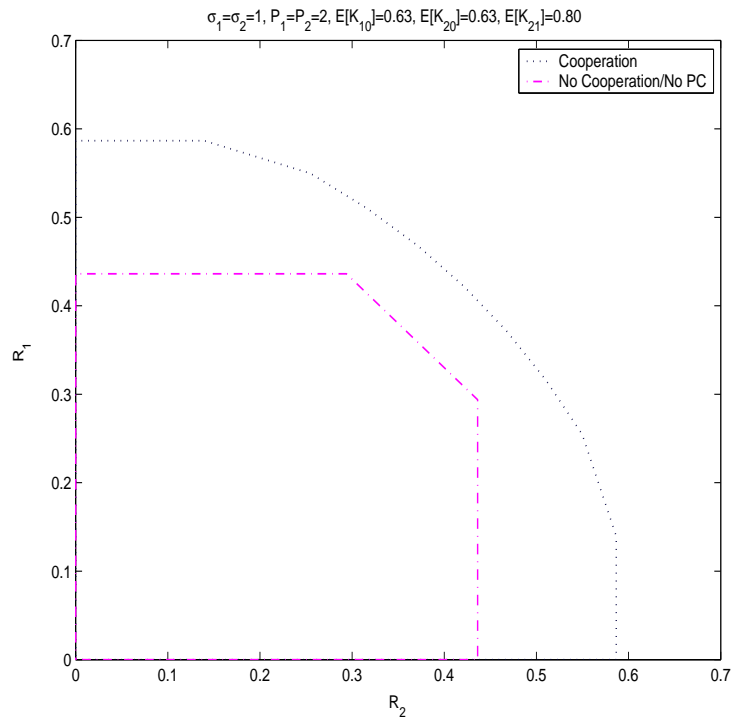
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## MAC with Generalized Feedback

- Gaussian MAC with cooperating encoders [Sendonaris, Erkip, Aazhang]
  - Special case of **MAC with generalized feedback** [Willems, van der Meulen, Schalkwijk]
- An achievable rate region is obtained by employing
  - **Block Markov superposition encoding**
    - \* Inject high rate fresh information to be resolved with the help of upcoming blocks.
    - \* Send resolution information for previous blocks.
  - **Backward decoding**
    - \* After receiving all blocks, decode the resolution information in the last block.
    - \* Using previously decoded resolution information, sequentially decode earlier blocks.

## Gaussian MAC with User Cooperation – No Resource Allocation



### Block Markov superposition coding

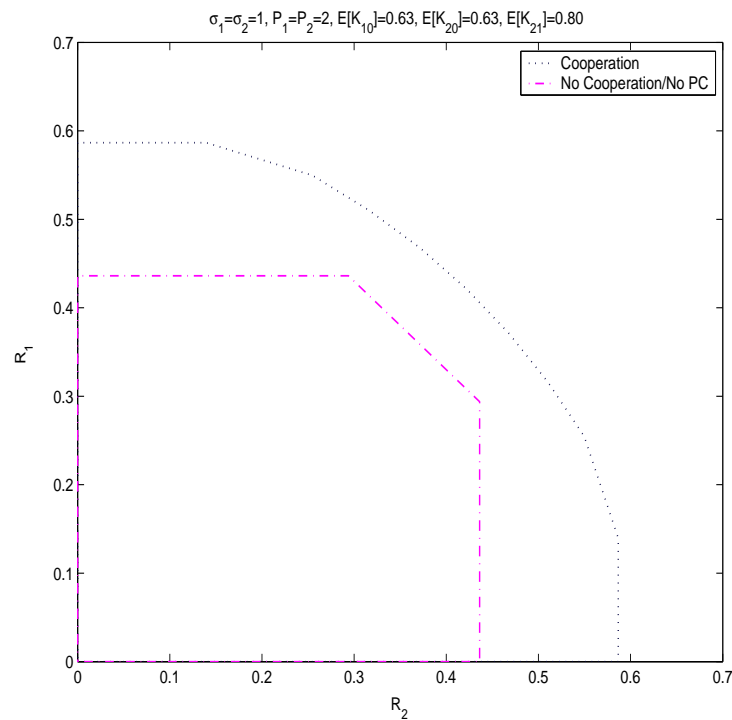
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- Amplitude of the each channel's gain is assumed to be known at the corresponding receiver.
- Phases of all channel gains are assumed known at the receiver and the transmitters
  - Coherent combining.

# Gaussian MAC with User Cooperation – Resource Allocation



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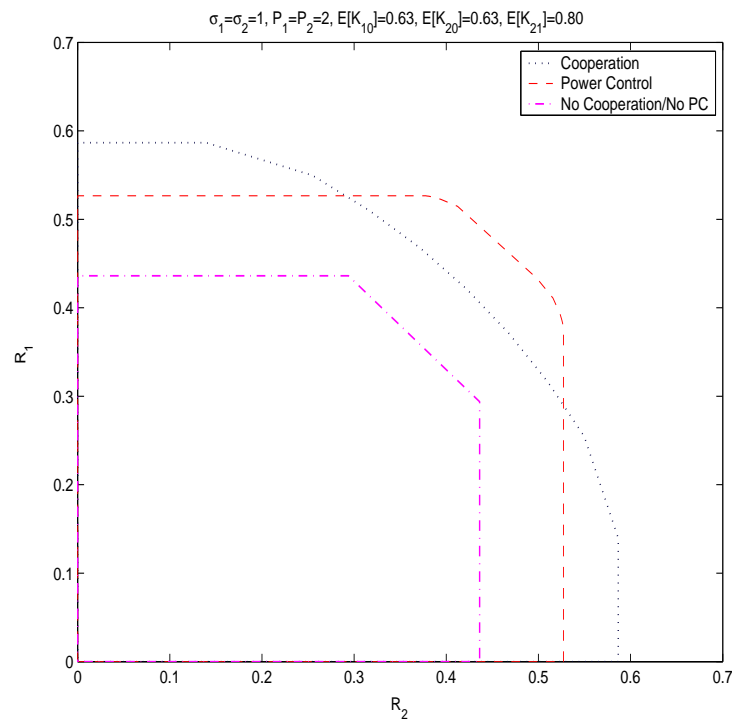
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- Complete channel state information at the transmitters and the receiver.
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  - Opportunistic cooperation and transmission – use available average power efficiently.

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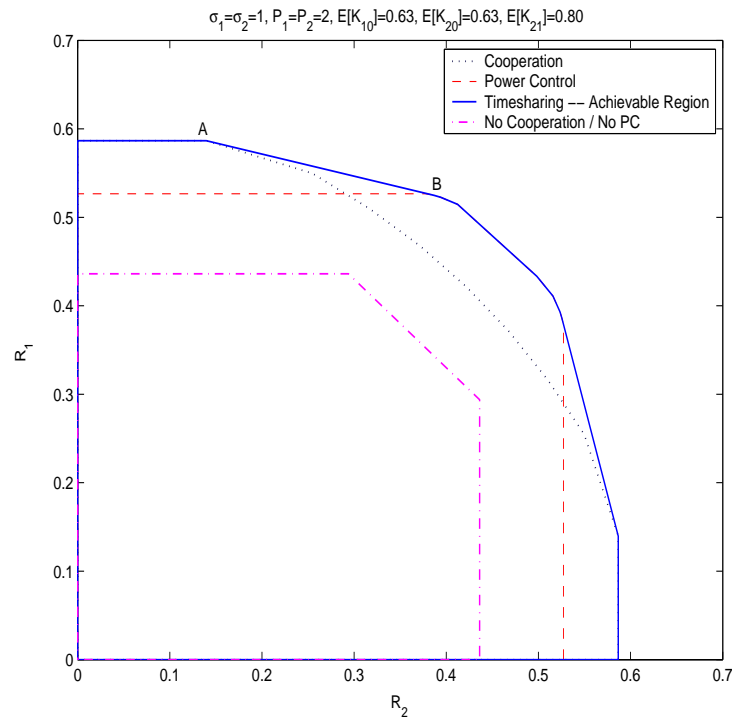
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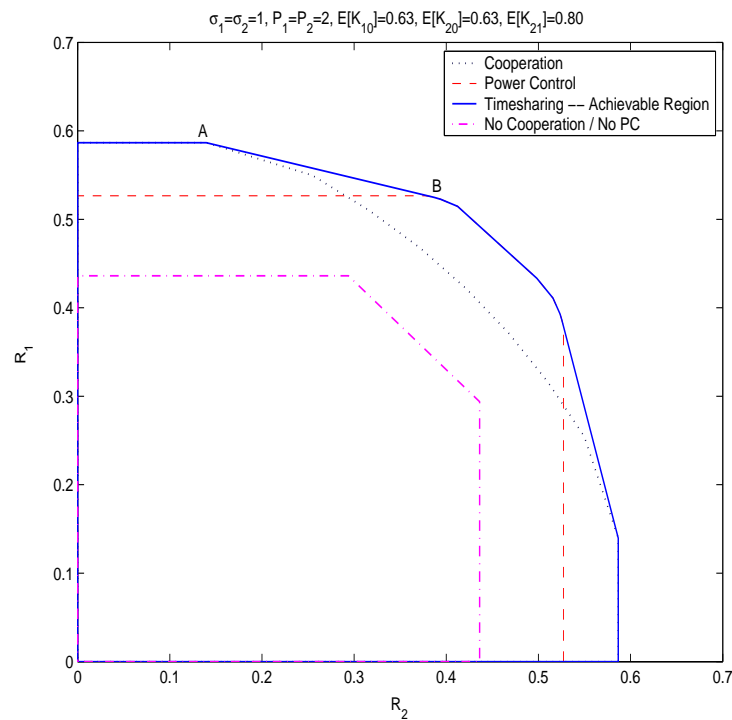
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## Achievable Region of Rates with Power Control

- Union over all valid policies  $E[p_{i0}(\mathbf{h}) + p_{ij}(\mathbf{h}) + p_{U_i}(\mathbf{h})] \leq \bar{p}_i$  of pairs  $\{R_1, R_2\}$  that satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_1 &< E \left[ \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{12}p_{12}(\mathbf{h})}{h_{12}p_{10}(\mathbf{h}) + \sigma_2^2} \right) + \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{10}p_{10}(\mathbf{h})}{\sigma_0^2} \right) \right] \\
 R_2 &< E \left[ \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{21}p_{21}(\mathbf{h})}{h_{21}p_{20}(\mathbf{h}) + \sigma_1^2} \right) + \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{20}p_{20}(\mathbf{h})}{\sigma_0^2} \right) \right] \\
 R_1 + R_2 &< \min \left\{ E \left[ \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{10}p_1(\mathbf{h}) + h_{20}p_2(\mathbf{h}) + 2\sqrt{h_{10}h_{20}p_{U_1}(\mathbf{h})p_{U_2}(\mathbf{h})}}{\sigma_0^2} \right) \right], \right. \\
 &\quad \left. E \left[ \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{12}p_{12}(\mathbf{h})}{h_{12}p_{10}(\mathbf{h}) + \sigma_2^2} \right) + \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{21}p_{21}(\mathbf{h})}{h_{21}p_{20}(\mathbf{h}) + \sigma_1^2} \right) + \log \left( 1 + \frac{h_{10}p_{10}(\mathbf{h}) + h_{20}p_{20}(\mathbf{h})}{\sigma_0^2} \right) \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Bounds not concave in power vector  $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{h}) = [p_{10}(\mathbf{h}) \ p_{12}(\mathbf{h}) \ p_{U_1}(\mathbf{h}) \ p_{20}(\mathbf{h}) \ p_{21}(\mathbf{h}) \ p_{U_2}(\mathbf{h})]$

## Properties of Sum-Rate-Optimal Power Allocation

**Proposition 1** *Let the effective channel gains normalized by the noise powers be defined as  $s_{ij} = h_{ij}/\sigma_j^2$ . Then, for the power control policy  $\mathbf{p}^*(\mathbf{h})$  that maximizes the sum rate, we need*

- $p_{10}^*(\mathbf{h}) = p_{20}^*(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ , if  $s_{12} > s_{10}$  and  $s_{21} > s_{20}$
- $p_{10}^*(\mathbf{h}) = p_{21}^*(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ , if  $s_{12} > s_{10}$  and  $s_{21} \leq s_{20}$
- $p_{12}^*(\mathbf{h}) = p_{20}^*(\mathbf{h}) = 0$ , if  $s_{12} \leq s_{10}$  and  $s_{21} > s_{20}$

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## Implications of the Optimal Power Allocation

- Block Markov superposition coding is simpler than originally thought.
  - Each transmitter either sends a cooperation signal or fresh information, but not both!
- The choice at each channel state “only” depends on the channel state.
  - Channel statistics, power constraints play no role in deciding which signals to transmit.
  - Except for the tiny little last case... which usually has very insignificant probability.
- The achievable rate expressions are greatly simplified, and are now concave.
- This simplified coding policy not only maximizes the sum rate, but also the individual rate constrains on  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , and is optimal in terms of the entire rate region.
- Concave optimization problem over a convex constraint set, but non-differentiable.

## Simplified Rate Region – Example

- Assume  $s_{12} > s_{10}$ ,  $s_{21} > s_{20}$  to illustrate the simplified rate region.

$$R_1 < E [\log (1 + s_{12}p_{12}(\mathbf{h}))]$$

$$R_2 < E [\log (1 + s_{21}p_{21}(\mathbf{h}))]$$

$$R_1 + R_2 < \min \left\{ E \left[ \log \left( 1 + s_{10}p_1(\mathbf{h}) + s_{20}p_2(\mathbf{h}) + 2\sqrt{s_{10}s_{20}p_{U_1}(\mathbf{h})p_{U_2}(\mathbf{h})} \right) \right], \right. \\ \left. E \left[ \log (1 + s_{12}p_{12}(\mathbf{h})) + \log (1 + s_{21}p_{21}(\mathbf{h})) \right] \right\}$$

- Inequalities define either a pentagon like in the traditional MAC, or a triangle.
- All bounds concave in powers, and so is any weighted sum  $\mu_1 R_1 + \mu_2 R_2$  at the corners.
- Sum rate not differentiable where the arguments of the min are equal.

## Rate Maximization Using Subgradient Method

- Points on the rate region boundary can be obtained by maximizing  $C_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = \mu_1 R_1 + \mu_2 R_2$ .
- The optimization problem for arbitrary priorities  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{h})} \mu_1 R_1 + \mu_2 R_2 \\ & \text{s.t. } E_{3,4} [p_{10}(\mathbf{h})] + E_{1,2} [p_{12}(\mathbf{h})] + E [p_{U_1}(\mathbf{h})] \leq \bar{p}_1 \\ & \quad E_{2,4} [p_{20}(\mathbf{h})] + E_{1,3} [p_{21}(\mathbf{h})] + E [p_{U_2}(\mathbf{h})] \leq \bar{p}_2 \end{aligned}$$

- $\{R_1, R_2\}$  is the corner of the pentagon obtained for a given power allocation policy.
- Gradient of the objective function does not exist everywhere, find subgradient  $\mathbf{g}$  instead

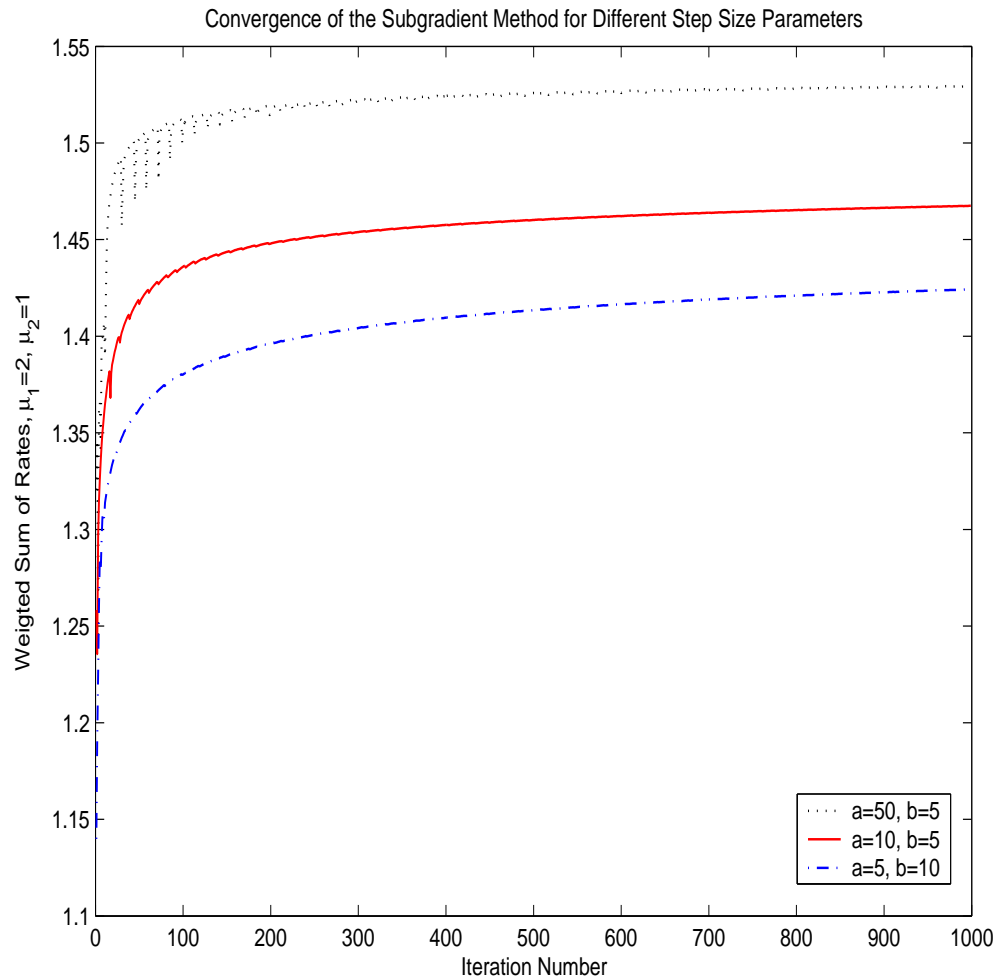
$$C_{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(\mathbf{p}') \leq C_{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(\mathbf{p}) + (\mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p})\mathbf{g}$$

- Use projected subgradient method to maximize  $C_{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$

$$\mathbf{p}(k+1) = [\mathbf{p}(k) + \alpha_k \mathbf{g}_k]^+$$

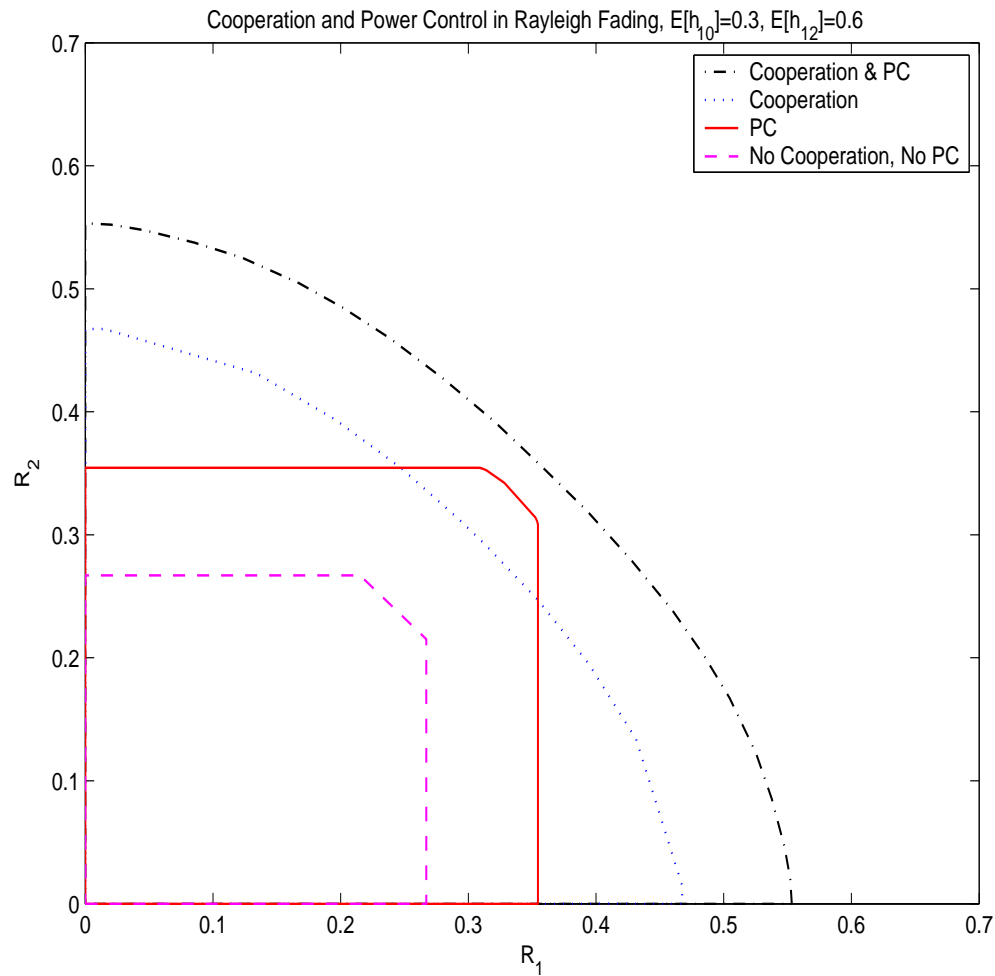
- Provably converges for a diminishing stepsize  $\alpha_k$  [Shor].

# Convergence of the Projected Subgradient Algorithm



- Rate of convergence depends on the stepsize parameter.
- Subgradient method need not give a monotonically increasing function value.

# Achievable Rate Region for Joint Power Control and User Cooperation

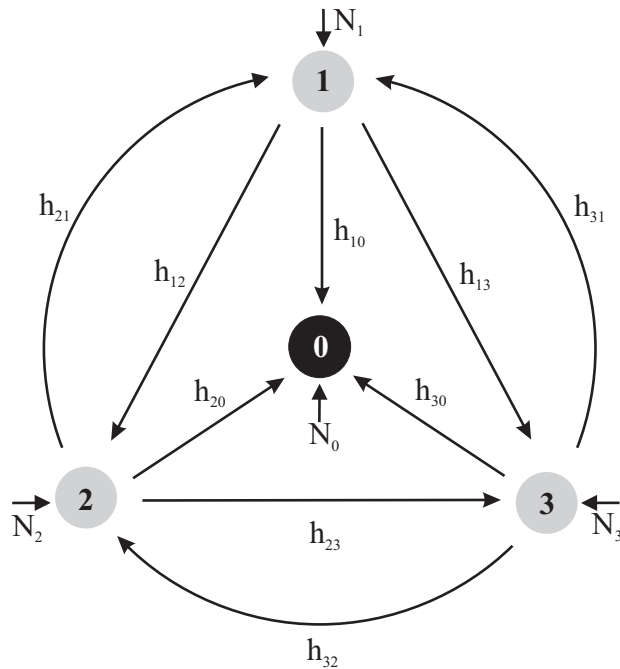


- Optimized power levels enlarge the achievable rate region significantly.

## Summary and Conclusions

- Characterized the power control policies that are jointly optimal with Block Markov superposition coding.
- Using sub-gradient methods, obtained optimal power levels and corresponding rate region.
- Joint usage of **cooperative diversity** and **time diversity**: major improvements in capacity.
- Encoding and decoding is significantly simplified.
  - Transmitters send either cooperation or fresh information signals, but not both.
- Optimal power policies also dictate MAC and routing policies
  - **Cross layer design.**

## The Three User Cooperative Multiple Access Channel



$$Y_0 = h_{10}X_1 + h_{20}X_2 + h_{30}X_3 + N_0$$

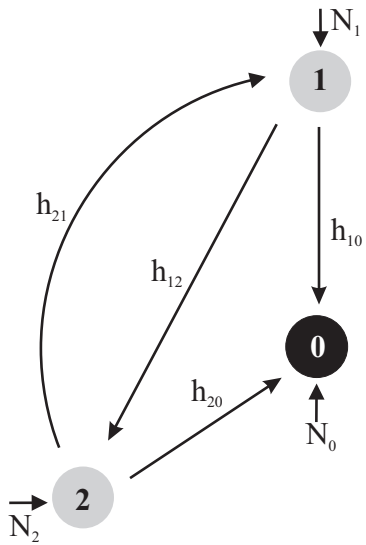
$$Y_1 = h_{21}X_2 + h_{31}X_3 + N_1$$

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$$Y_3 = h_{13}X_1 + h_{23}X_2 + N_3$$

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## Two User MAC-GF



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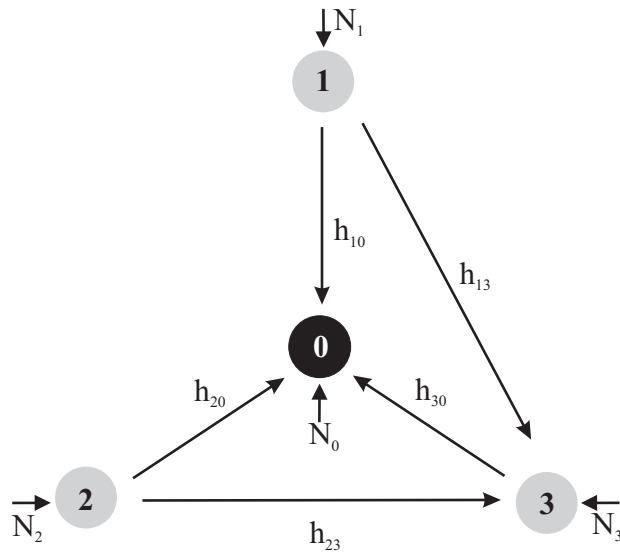
$$Y_1 = h_{21}X_2 + N_1$$

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- Achievable rates obtained by block Markov Encoding [Sendonaris-Erkip-Aazhang 2003]



## Multiple Access Relay Channel

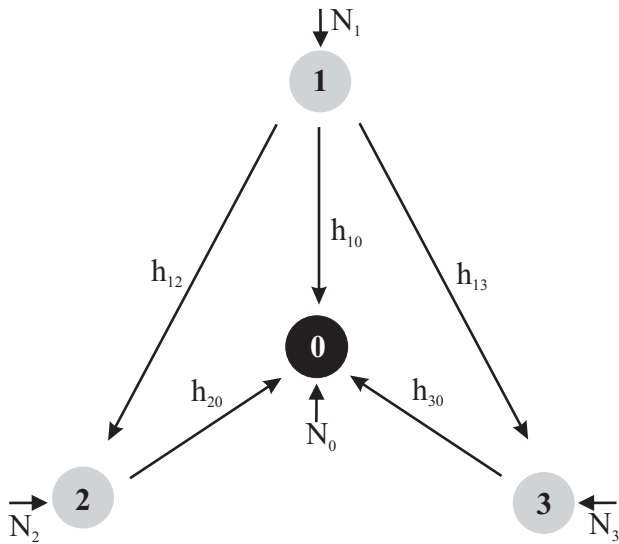


$$Y_0 = h_{10}X_1 + h_{20}X_2 + h_{30}X_3 + N_0$$

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- Multiple Access Relay Channel [Sankaranarayanan, Kramer, Mandayam 2004]

## Multiple Relay Channel



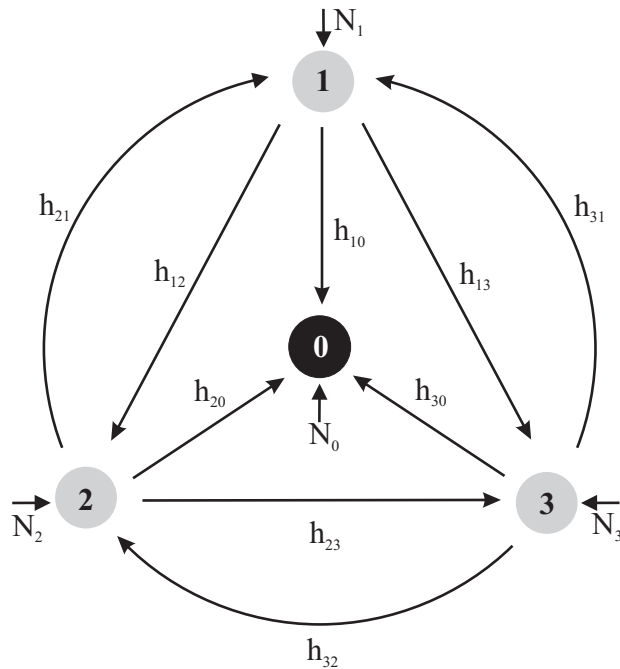
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- Multiple Relay Channel [Schein, Gallager 00],[Kramer, Gastpar, Gupta 03], [Xie, Kumar 05]

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- Multiple users mutually cooperate: fairer scheme, potentially higher rates, more ad-hoc.

## Block Markov Encoding - Two Users

- Two user cooperation: each user's message is divided into two sub-messages
  - $w_1 = (w_{10}, w_{12})$ ,  $w_2 = (w_{20}, w_{21})$
- Block Markov superposition coding
  - Build common information  $(X_{12}, X_{21})$
  - Cooperatively send  $(U)$
  - Inject new information  $(X_{10}, X_{20})$

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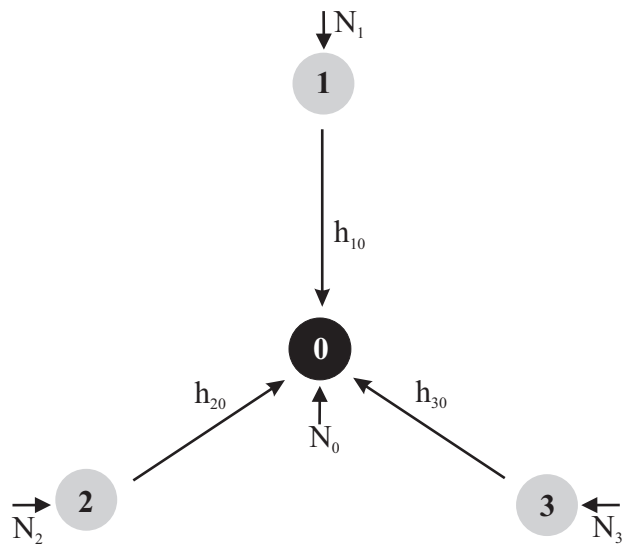
$$X_2 = \sqrt{p_{20}(\mathbf{h})}X_{20} + \sqrt{p_{21}(\mathbf{h})}X_{21} + \sqrt{p_{u2}(\mathbf{h})}U$$

- When cooperative links stronger than direct links, should never send  $w_{i0}$  [Kaya-Ulukus 07]

## Block Markov Encoding- Three Users

- Extension of Block Markov encoding to three user cooperation:
  - $w_1 = (w_{10}, w_{12}, w_{13})$ ,  $w_2 = (w_{20}, w_{21}, w_{23})$ ,  $w_3 = (w_{30}, w_{31}, w_{32})$
- Which messages should be decoded by which users?
  - Potentially too much interference.
- How should the cooperative signals be formed?
  - Should the users cooperate in pairs? Collectively?
- We propose a **channel adaptive** encoding/decoding approach.
- Drop  $w_{i0}$  for simplicity: assume stronger inter-user links as in two user case.

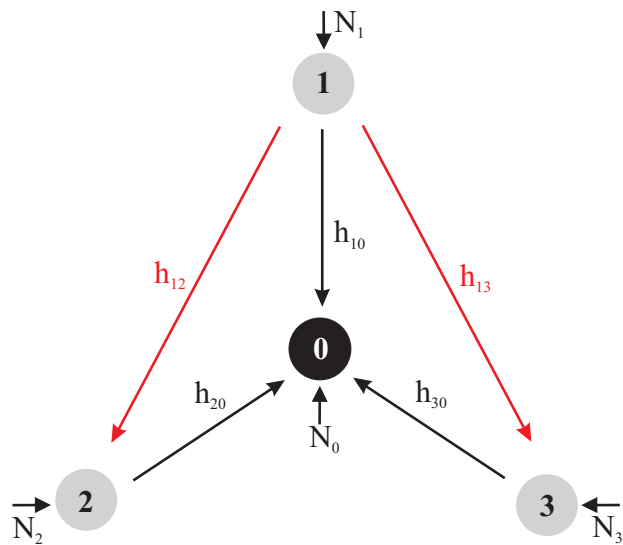
# Users' Decoding Capability



- Normalization:  $s_{ij} = h_{ij}/\sigma_j^2$
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3	$w_{31}, w_{32}$	

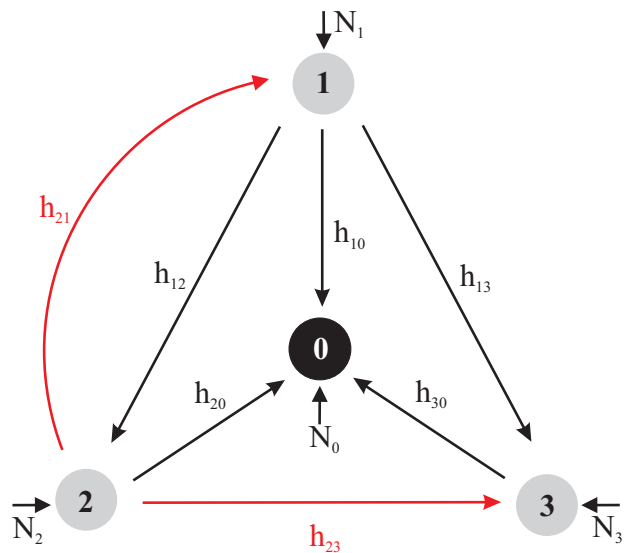
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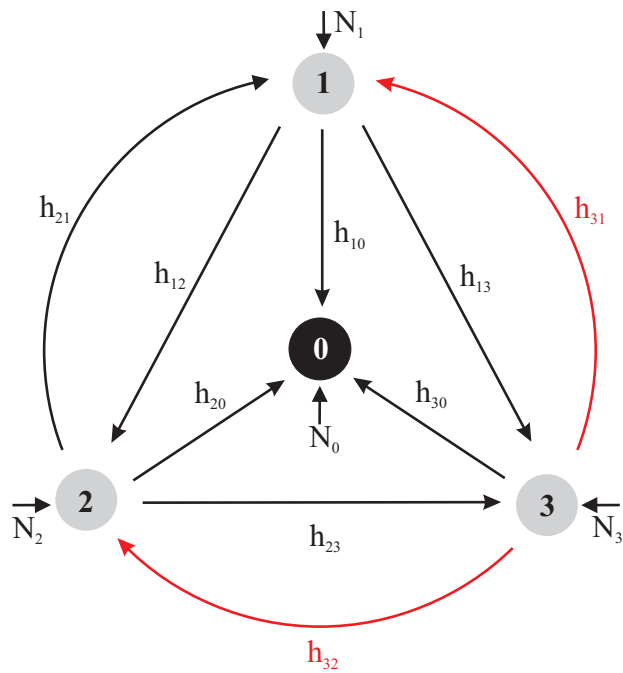


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## Block Markov Coding

User	Transmitted Codeword
1	$U(w'_{13}, w'_{23}, w'_{31}), U_1(w'_{12}, w'_{21}, U),$ $X_{12}(w_{12}, U_1, U), X_{13}(w_{13}, U_1, U), X_{10}(w_{10}, X_{12}, X_{13}, U_1, U)$
2	$U(w'_{13}, w'_{23}, w'_{31}), U_1(w'_{12}, w'_{21}, U), U_3(w'_{32}, U),$ $X_{21}(w_{21}, U_1, U_3, U), X_{23}(w_{23}, U_1, U_3, U), X_{20}(w_{20}, X_{21}, X_{23}, U_1, U_3, U)$
3	$U(w'_{13}, w'_{23}, w'_{31}), U_3(w'_{32}, U),$ $X_{31}(w_{31}, U_3, U), X_{32}(w_{32}, U_3, U), X_{30}(w_{30}, X_{31}, X_{32}, U_3, U)$

$$X_1 = \sqrt{P_{10}}X_{10} + \sqrt{P_{12}}X_{12} + \sqrt{P_{13}}X_{13} + \sqrt{P_{1U_1}}U_1 + \sqrt{P_{1U}}U$$

$$X_2 = \sqrt{P_{20}}X_{20} + \sqrt{P_{21}}X_{21} + \sqrt{P_{23}}X_{23} + \sqrt{P_{2U_1}}U_1 + \sqrt{P_{2U_3}}U_3 + \sqrt{P_{2U}}U$$

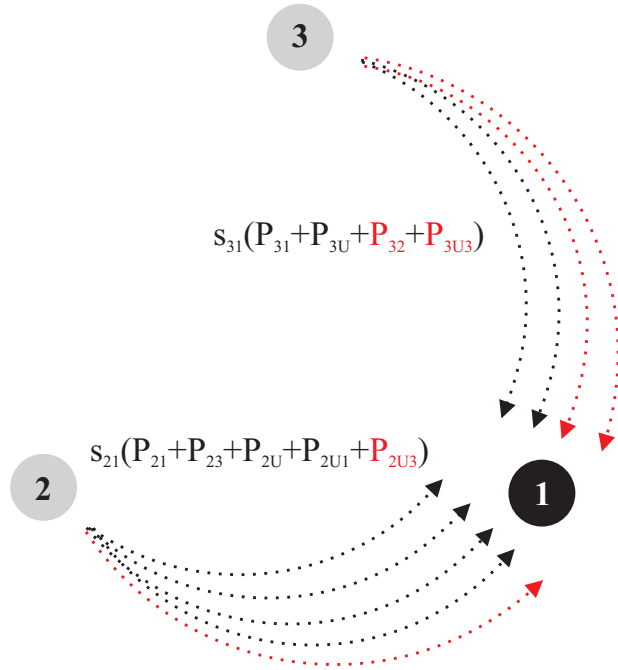
$$X_3 = \sqrt{P_{30}}X_{30} + \sqrt{P_{31}}X_{31} + \sqrt{P_{32}}X_{32} + \sqrt{P_{3U_3}}U_3 + \sqrt{P_{3U}}U$$

$$P_{10} + P_{12} + P_{13} + P_{1U_1} + P_{1U} \leq P_1$$

$$P_{20} + P_{21} + P_{23} + P_{2U_1} + P_{2U_3} + P_{2U} \leq P_2$$

$$P_{30} + P_{31} + P_{32} + P_{3U_3} + P_{3U} \leq P_3$$

## Rate Constraints for Error Free Decoding at User 1



$$R_{21} < E [\log (1 + s_{21}P_{21}/A)]$$

$$R_{23} < E [\log (1 + s_{21}P_{23}/A)]$$

$$R_{31} < E [\log (1 + s_{31}P_{31}/A)]$$

$$R_2 < E [\log (1 + s_{21}(P_{21} + P_{23})/A)]$$

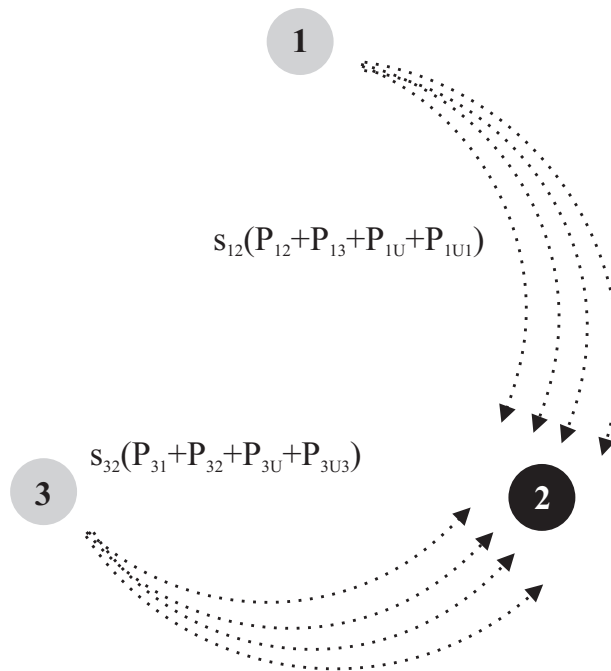
$$R_{21} + R_{31} < E [\log (1 + (s_{21}P_{21} + s_{31}P_{31})/A)]$$

$$R_{23} + R_{31} < E [\log (1 + (s_{21}P_{23} + s_{31}P_{31})/A)]$$

$$R_2 + R_{31} < E [\log (1 + (s_{21}(P_{21} + P_{23}) + s_{31}P_{31})/A)]$$

- User 1 can decode  $w_{21}$ ,  $w_{23}$  and  $w_{31}$  without error
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## Rate Constraints for Error Free Decoding at User 2



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$$R_{13} < E [\log (1 + s_{12}P_{13})]$$

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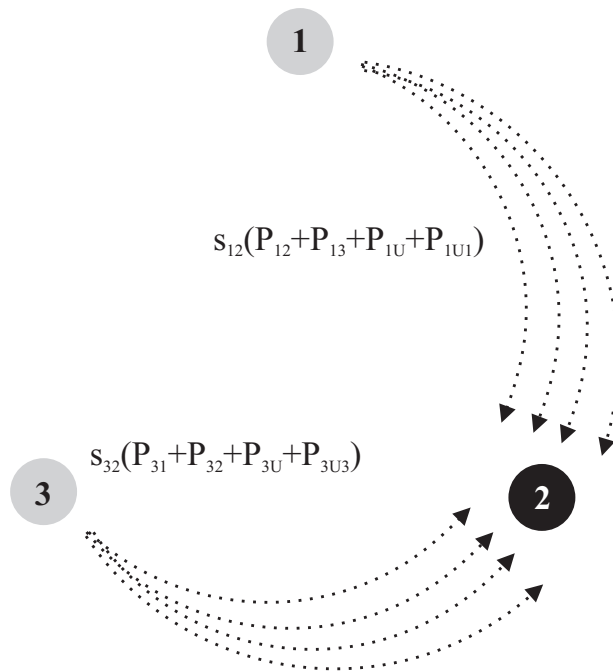
$$R_1 < E [\log (1 + s_{12}(P_{12} + P_{13}))]$$

$$R_{12} + R_{31} < E [\log (1 + s_{12}P_{12} + s_{32}P_{31})]$$

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- User 2 can decode all transmitted signals.
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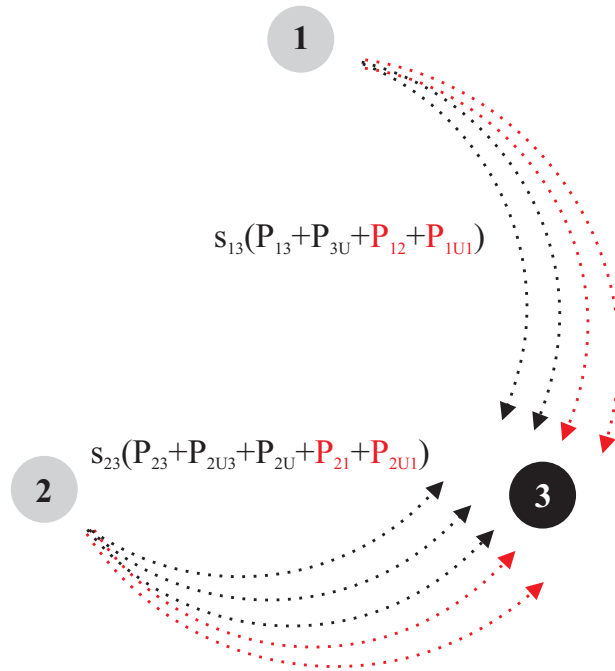
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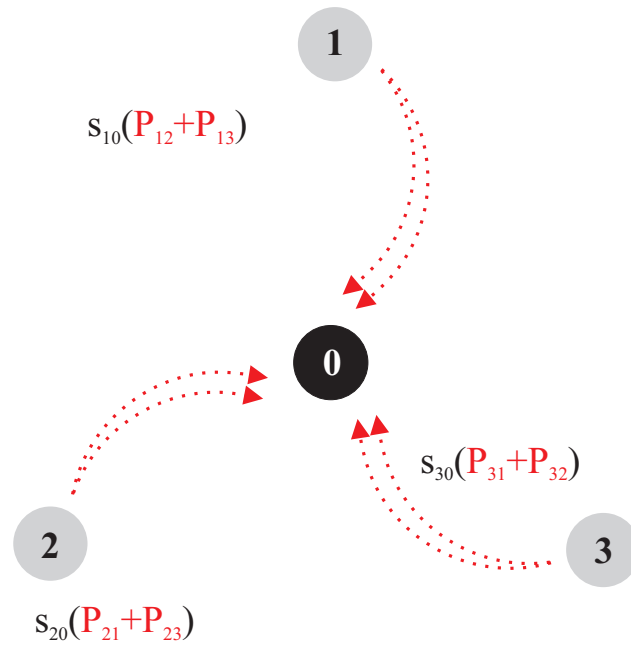
$$R_{13} < E [\log (1 + s_{13}P_{13}/B)]$$

$$R_{23} < E [\log (1 + s_{23}P_{23}/B)]$$

$$R_{13} + R_{23} < E [\log (1 + (s_{13}P_{13} + s_{23}P_{23})/B)]$$

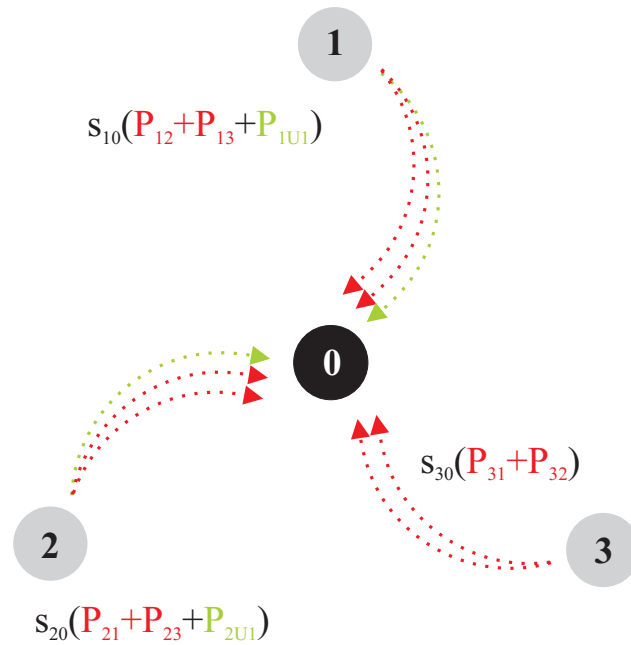
- User 3 can decode  $w_{13}$  and  $w_{23}$  without error
- $X_{12}, X_{21}$  and their cooperative version  $U_1(w'_{12}, w'_{21})$  are treated as noise component at User 3
  - $B = s_{13}(P_{12} + P_{1U_1}) + s_{23}(P_{21} + P_{2U_1}) + 2\sqrt{s_{13}s_{23}P_{1U_1}P_{2U_1}} + 1$

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- The destination can decode all transmitted signals using backward decoding.

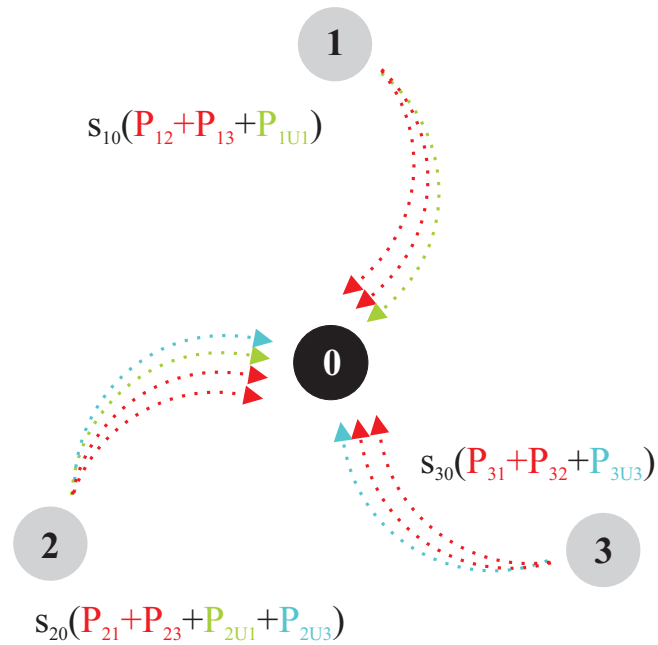
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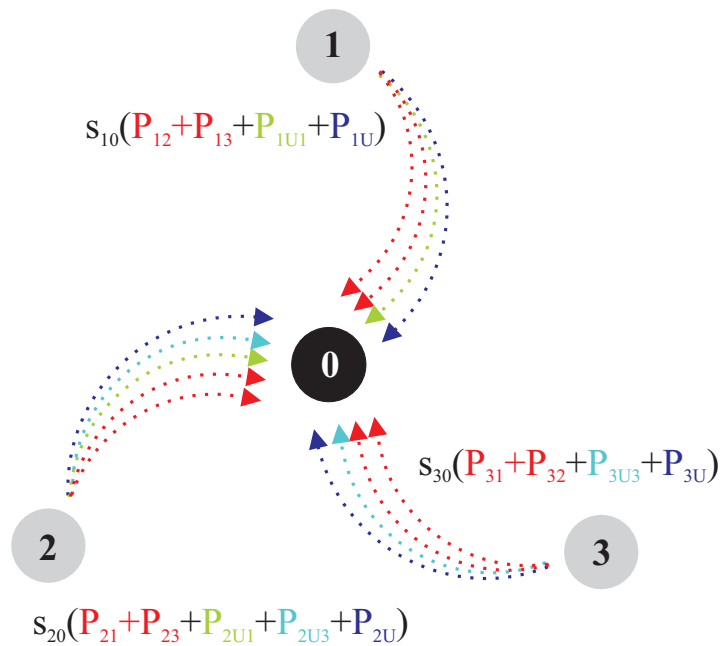


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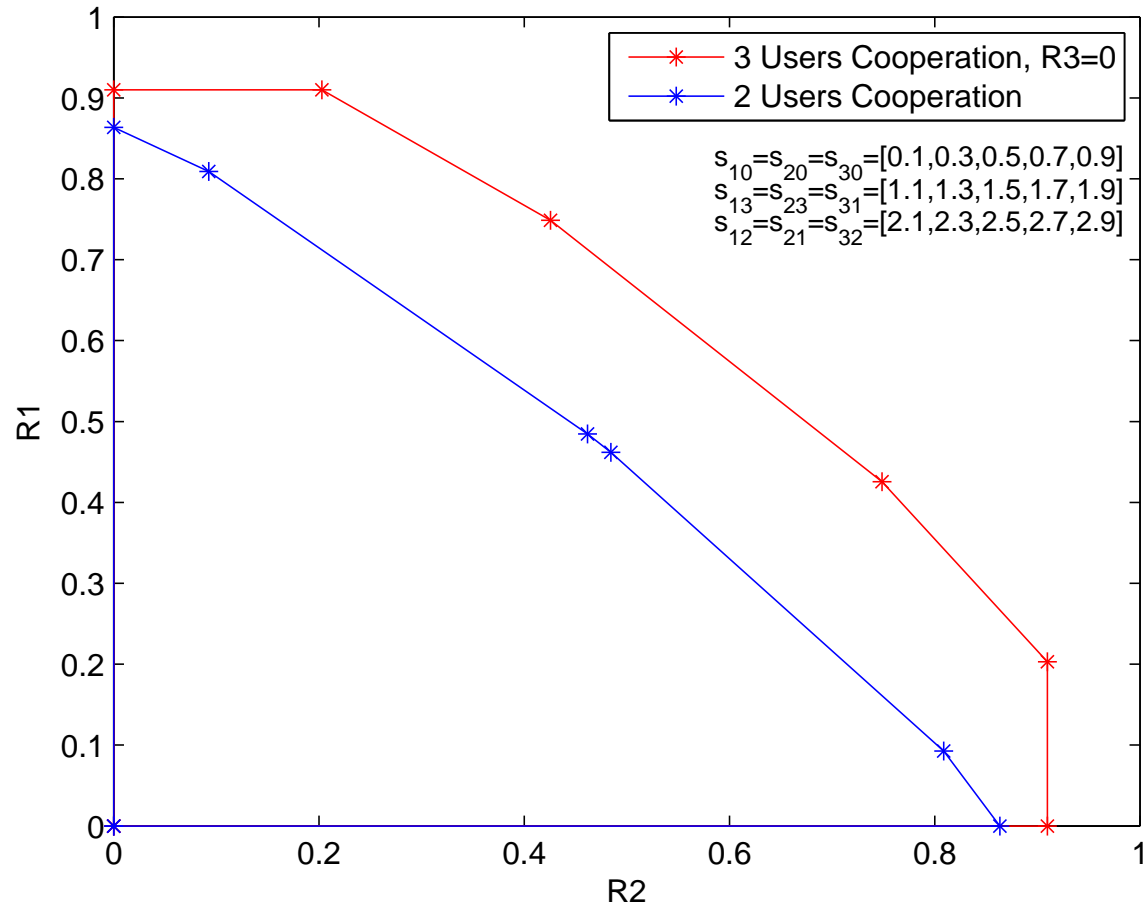
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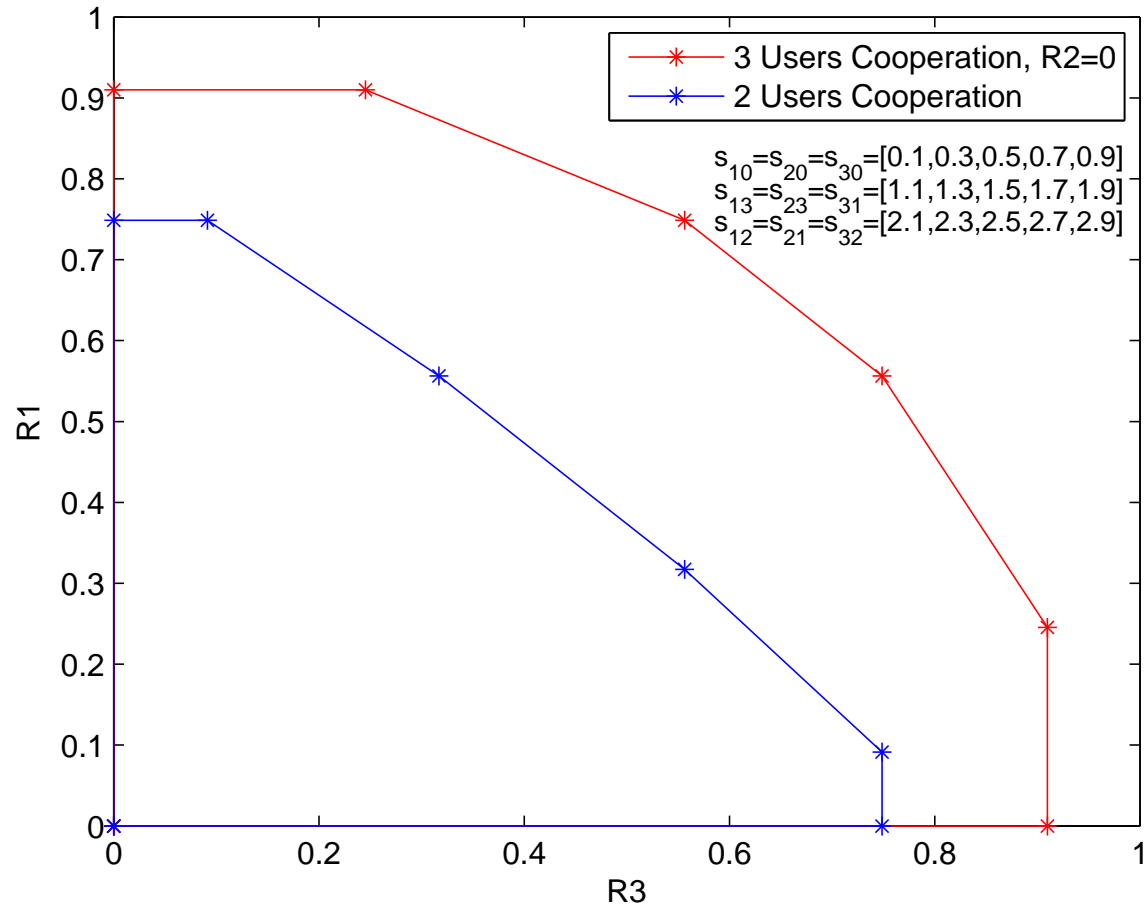
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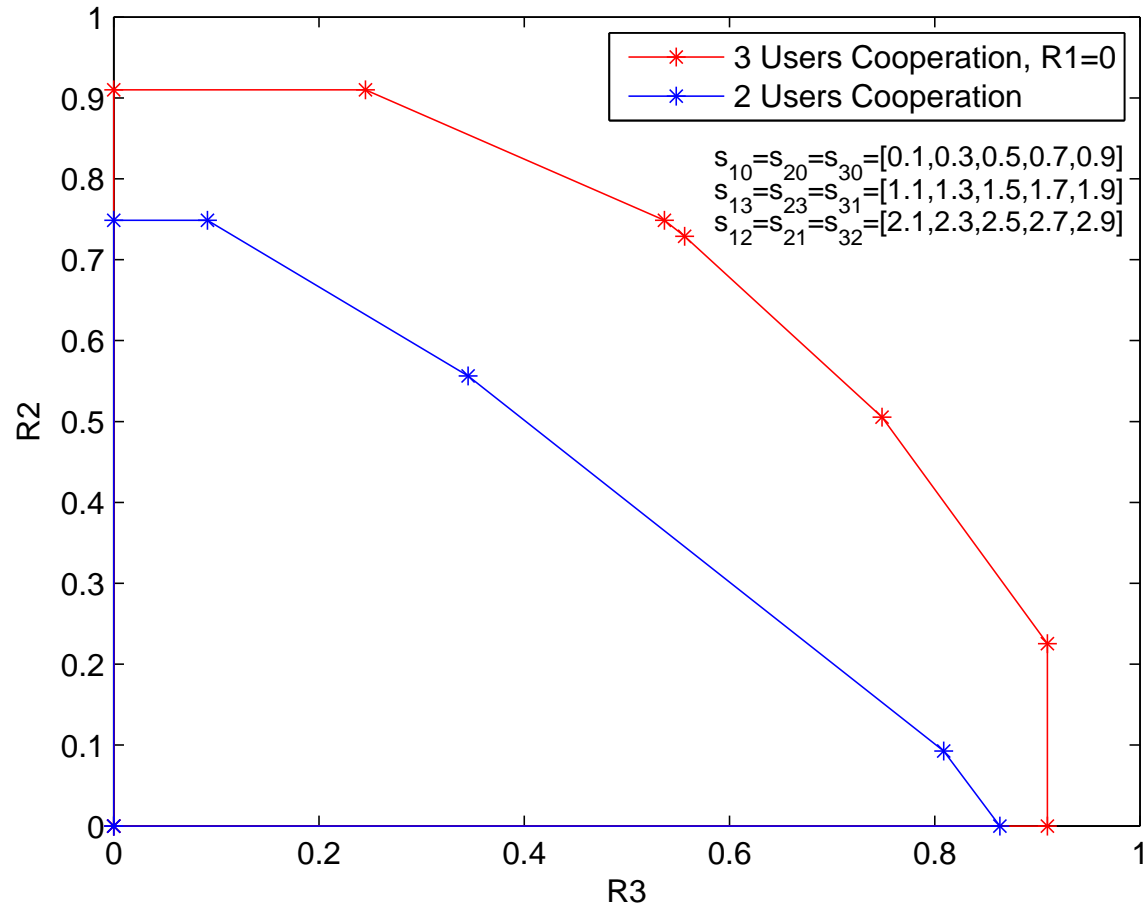
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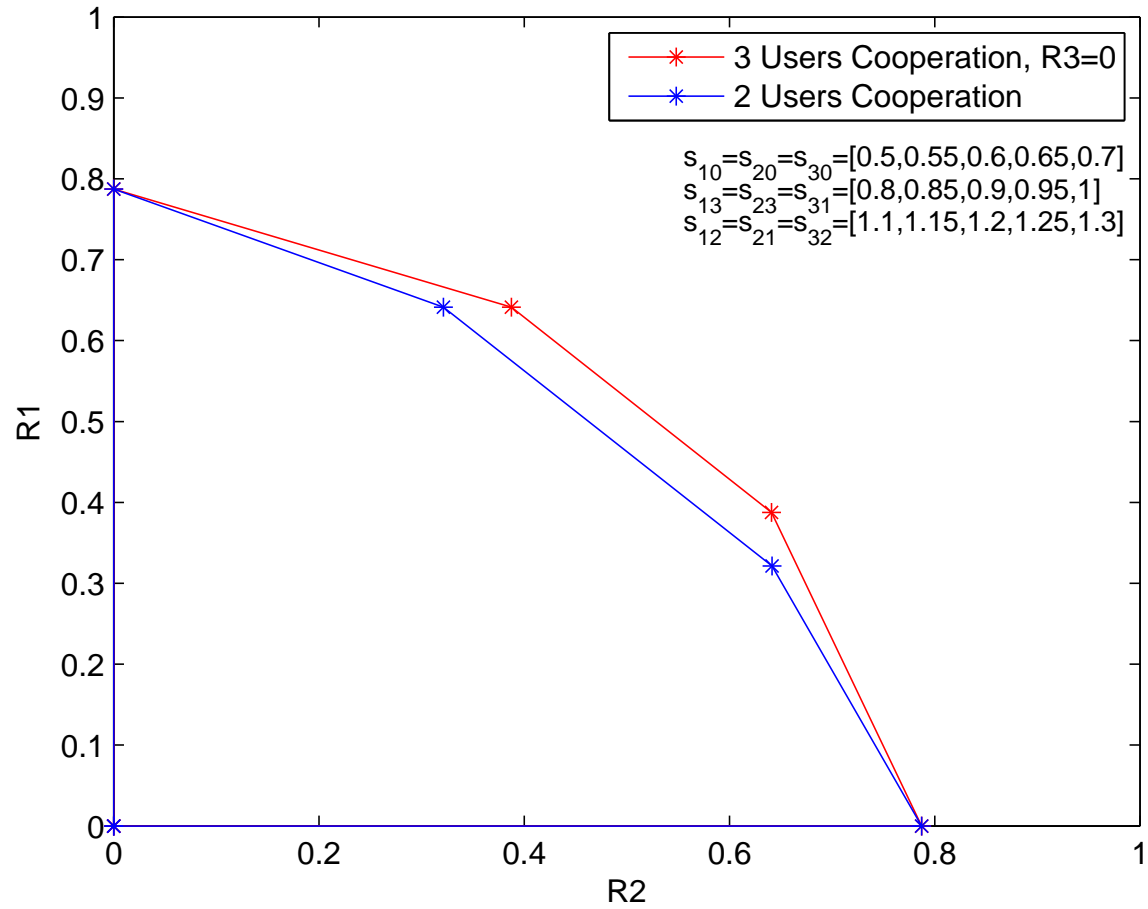
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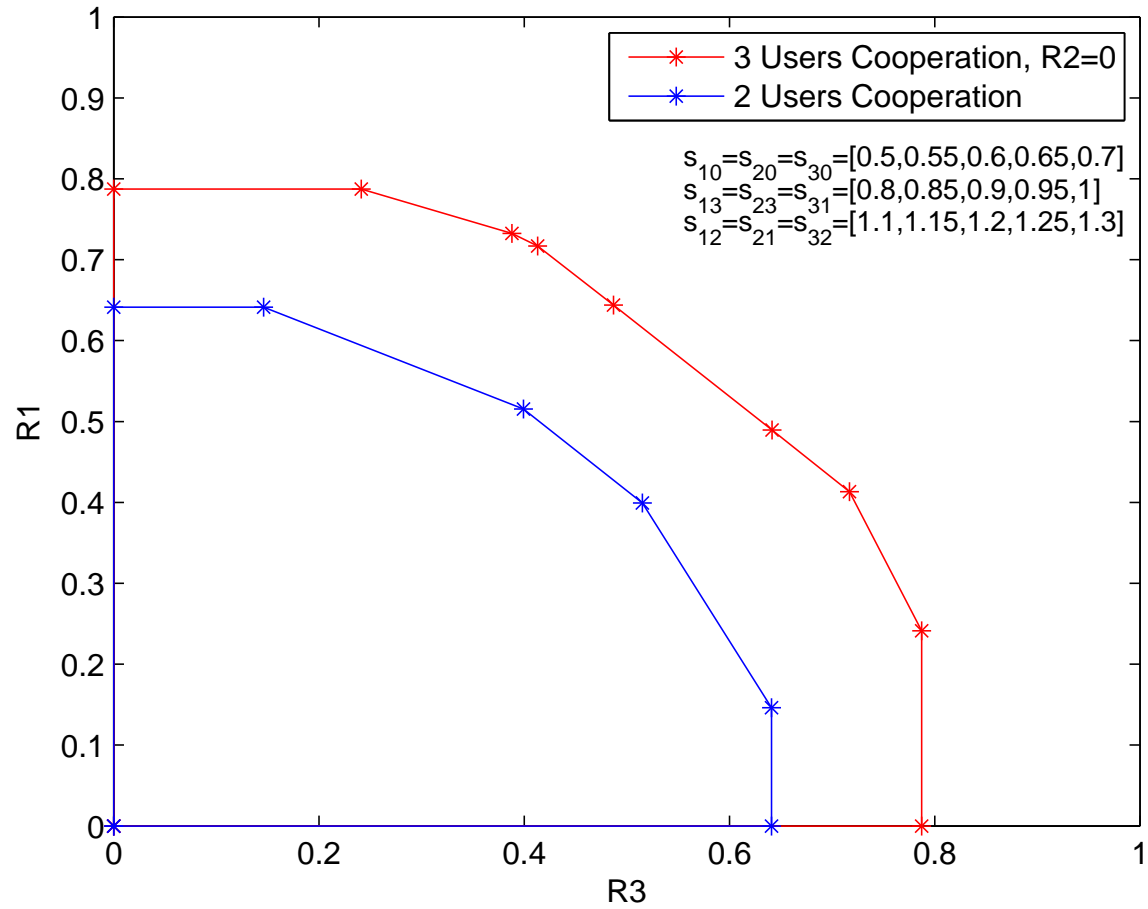
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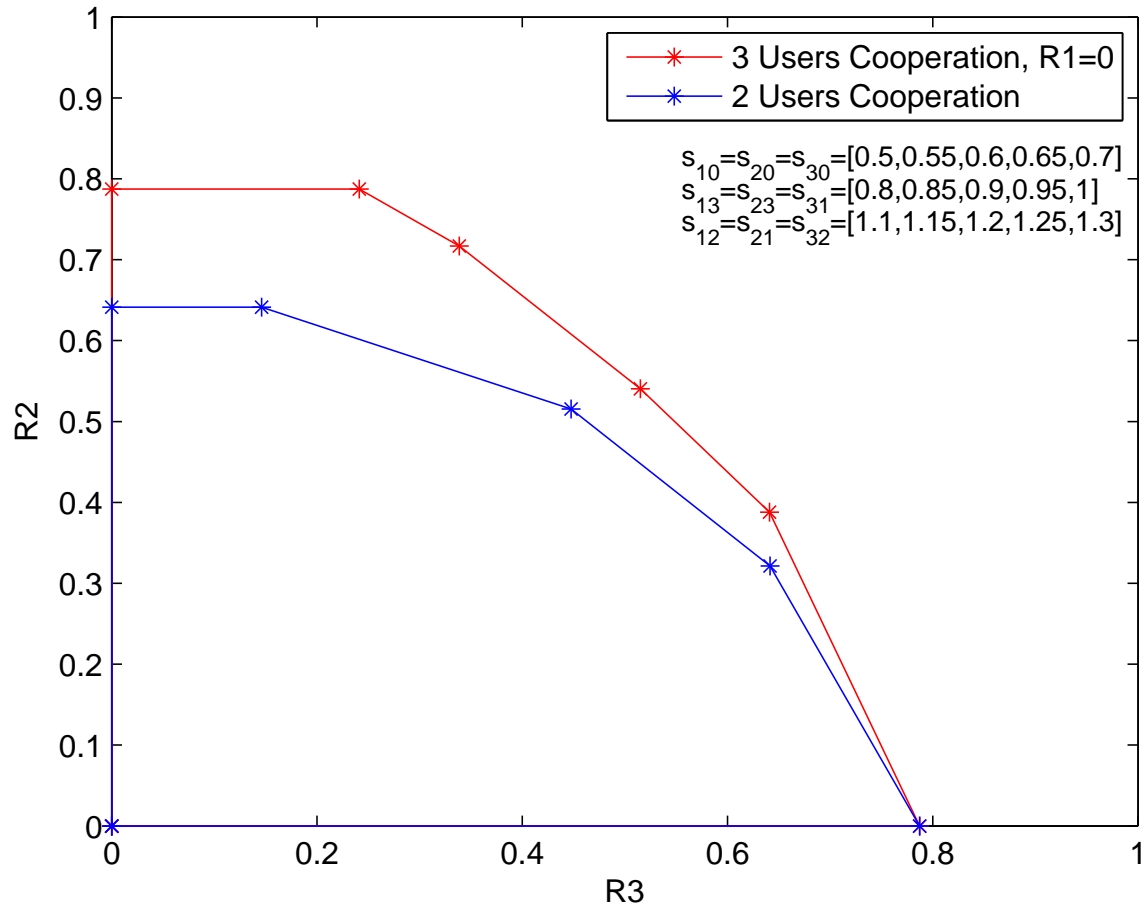


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## Channel Ordering Assumption Revisited

- Considered channel orderings of type

$$s_{ij} > s_{ik}, \quad s_{ji} > s_{jk}, \quad s_{kj} > s_{ki}, \quad i \neq j \neq k$$

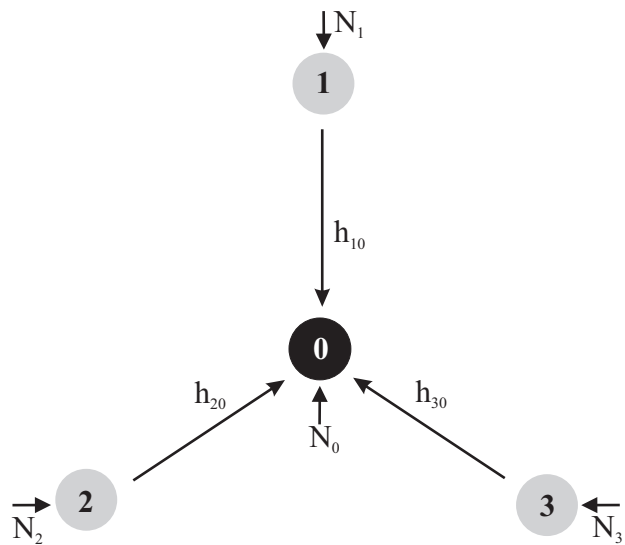
- Concept of "strong" and "weak" users

- Other channel orderings possible

$$s_{ij} > s_{ik}, \quad s_{jk} > s_{ji}, \quad s_{ki} > s_{kj}, \quad i \neq j \neq k$$

- We need to update the encoding/decoding accordingly.
- Not asymmetric as before, no particular "strong user": strategy becomes somewhat different.
- Idea: choose the right encoding strategy based on the instantaneous channel ordering.

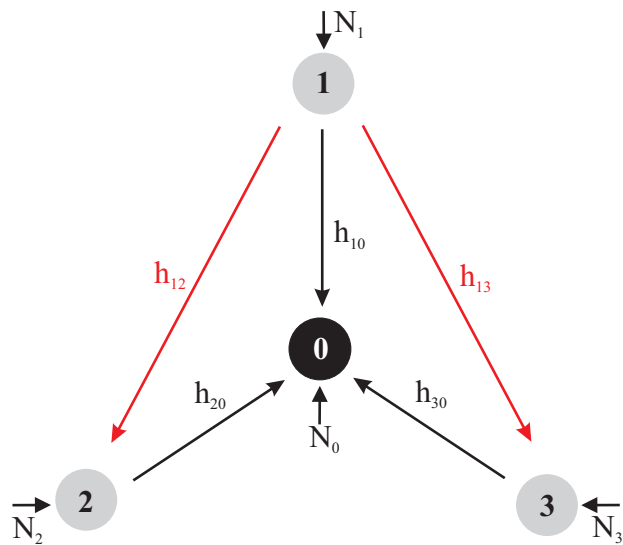
# Users' Decoding Capability



- Normalization:  $s_{ij} = h_{ij}/\sigma_j^2$
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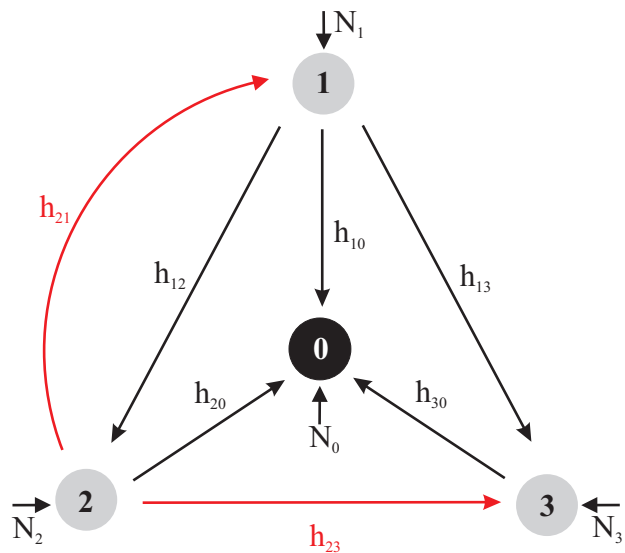
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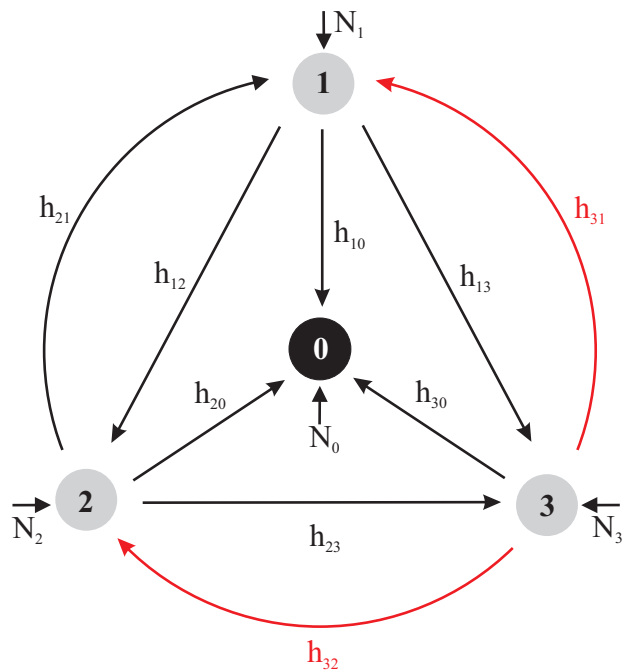
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## Block Markov Coding

User	Transmitted Codeword
1	$U(w'_{13}, w'_{21}, w'_{32}), U_1(w'_{12}, U), U_3(w'_{31}, U),$ $X_{12}(w_{12}, U_1, U), X_{13}(w_{13}, U_3, U), X_{10}(w_{10}, X_{12}, X_{13}, U_1, U_3, U)$
2	$U(w'_{13}, w'_{21}, w'_{32}), U_1(w'_{12}, U), U_2(w'_{23}, U),$ $X_{21}(w_{21}, U_1, U), X_{23}(w_{23}, U_2, U), X_{20}(w_{20}, X_{21}, X_{23}, U_1, U_2, U)$
3	$U(w'_{13}, w'_{21}, w'_{32}), U_3(w'_{31}, U), U_2(w'_{23}, U),$ $X_{31}(w_{31}, U_3, U), X_{32}(w_{32}, U_2, U), X_{30}(w_{30}, X_{31}, X_{32}, U_2, U_3, U)$

$$X_1 = \sqrt{P_{10}}X_{10} + \sqrt{P_{12}}X_{12} + \sqrt{P_{13}}X_{13} + \sqrt{P_{1U_1}}U_1 + \sqrt{P_{1U_3}}U_3 + \sqrt{P_{1U}}U$$

$$X_2 = \sqrt{P_{20}}X_{20} + \sqrt{P_{21}}X_{21} + \sqrt{P_{23}}X_{23} + \sqrt{P_{2U_1}}U_1 + \sqrt{P_{2U_2}}U_2 + \sqrt{P_{1U}}U$$

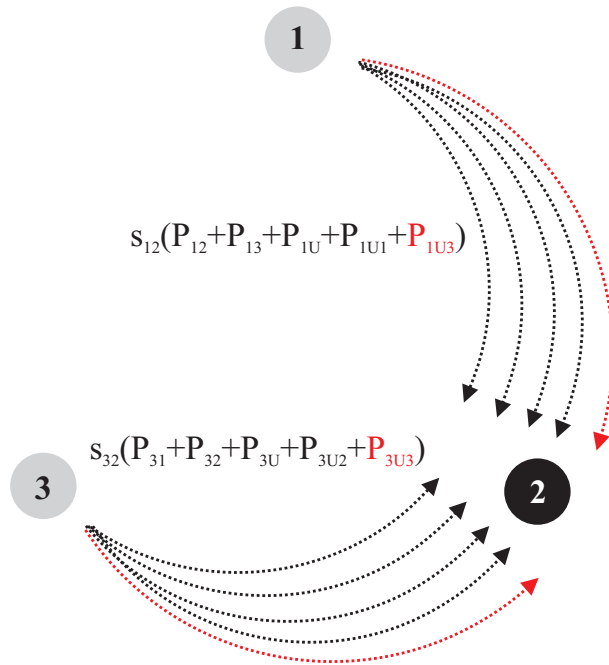
$$X_3 = \sqrt{P_{30}}X_{30} + \sqrt{P_{31}}X_{31} + \sqrt{P_{32}}X_{32} + \sqrt{P_{3U_2}}U_2 + \sqrt{P_{3U_3}}U_3 + \sqrt{P_{3U}}U$$

$$P_{10} + P_{12} + P_{13} + P_{1U_1} + P_{1U_3} + P_{1U} \leq P_1$$

$$P_{20} + P_{21} + P_{23} + P_{2U_1} + P_{2U_2} + P_{2U} \leq P_2$$

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## Rate Constraints for Error Free Decoding at User 1



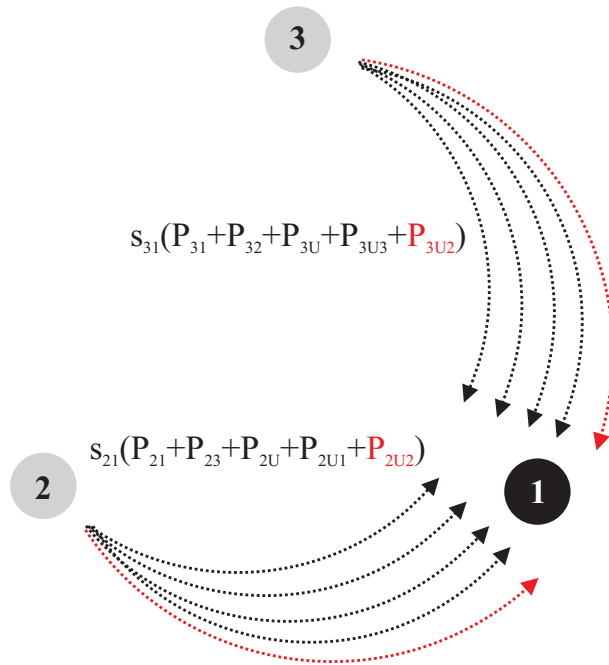
$$\sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_1} R_{ij} < E \left[ \log \left( 1 + \frac{\sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_1} s_{i1} P_{ij}}{A} \right) \right]$$

$$\forall \Gamma_1 \subset \{\{2,1\}, \{3,1\}, \{3,2\}\}$$

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  - $A = 1 + s_{21}P_{2U2} + s_{31}P_{3U2} + 2\sqrt{s_{21}s_{31}P_{2U2}P_{3U2}}$



## Rate Constraints for Error Free Decoding at User 2

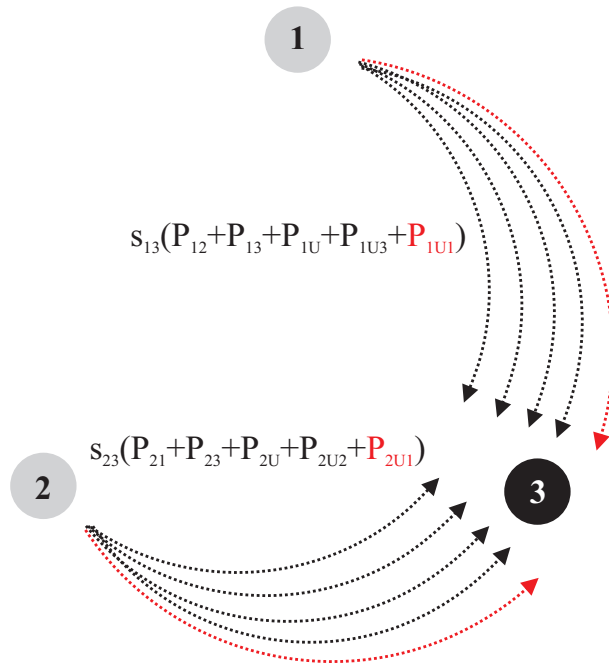


$$\sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_2} R_{ij} < E \left[ \log \left( 1 + \frac{\sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_2} s_{i2} P_{ij}}{B} \right) \right]$$

$$\forall \Gamma_2 \subset \{\{1,2\}, \{1,3\}, \{3,2\}\}$$

- User 2 can decode  $w_{12}$ ,  $w_{13}$  and  $w_{32}$  without error
- $U_3(w'_{31})$  is treated as noise at User 2
  - $B = 1 + s_{12}P_{1U3} + s_{32}P_{3U3} + 2\sqrt{s_{12}s_{32}P_{1U3}P_{3U3}}$

## Rate Constraints for Error Free Decoding at User 3



$$\sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_3} R_{ij} < E \left[ \log \left( 1 + \frac{\sum_{\{i,j\} \in \Gamma_3} s_{i3} P_{ij}}{C} \right) \right]$$

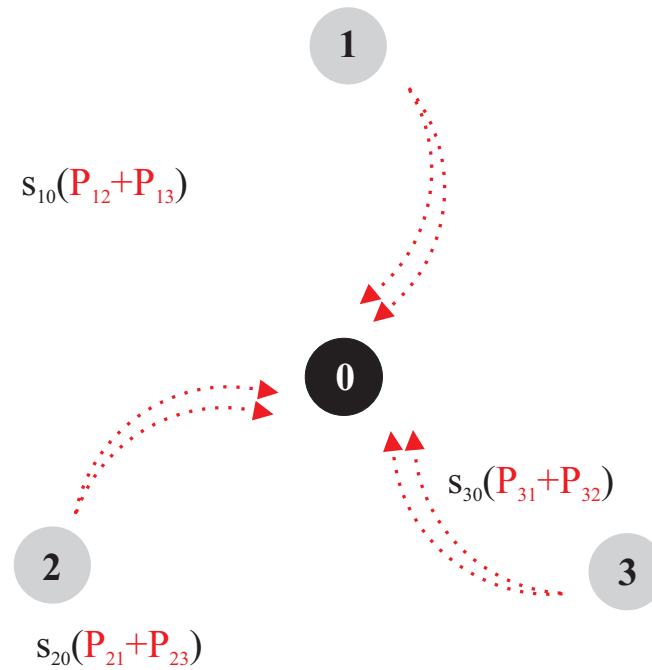
$$\forall \Gamma_3 \subset \{\{1,3\}, \{2,1\}, \{2,3\}\}$$

- User 3 can decode  $w_{13}$ ,  $w_{21}$  and  $w_{23}$  without error

- $U_1(w'_{12})$  is treated as noise at User 3

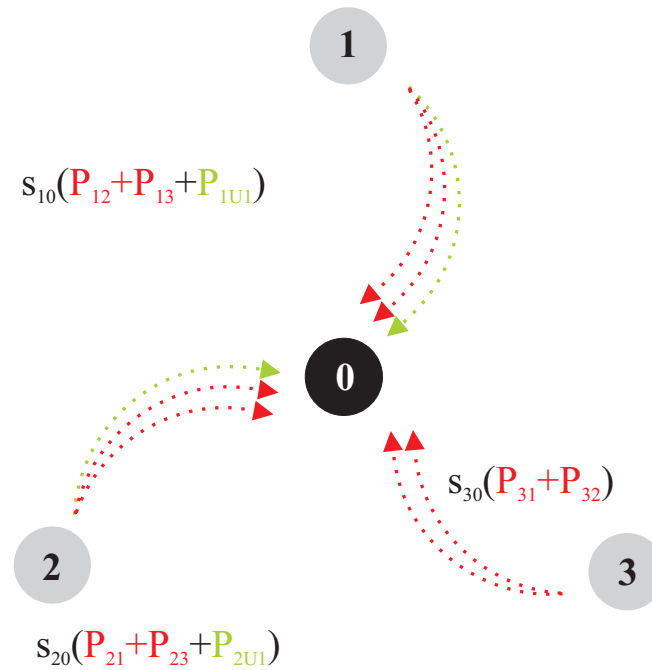
$$- C = 1 + s_{13}P_{1U1} + s_{23}P_{2U1} + 2\sqrt{s_{13}s_{23}P_{1U1}P_{2U1}}$$

## MAC Rate Constraints at Destination Side



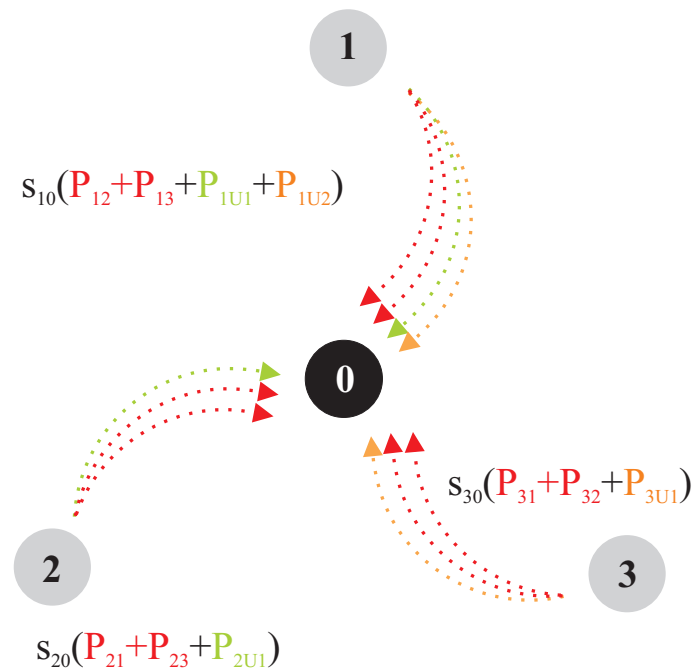
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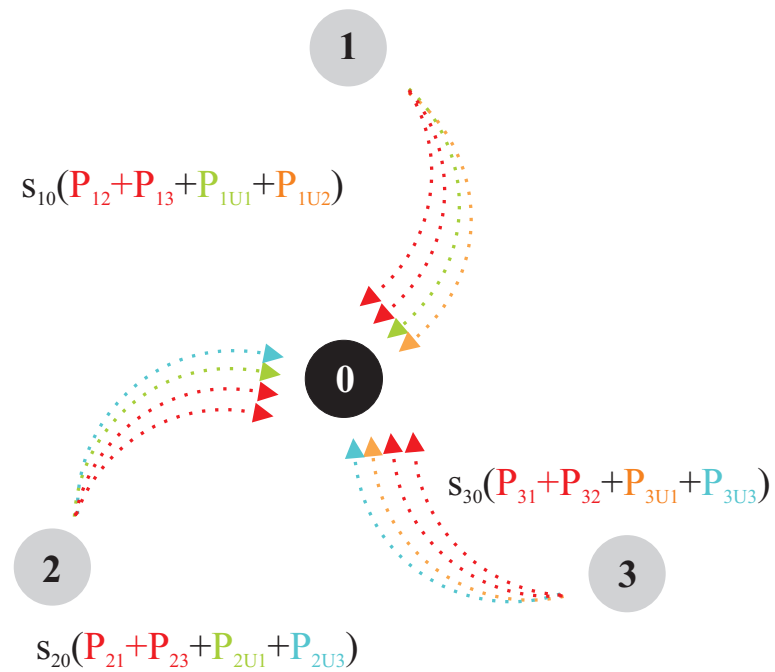
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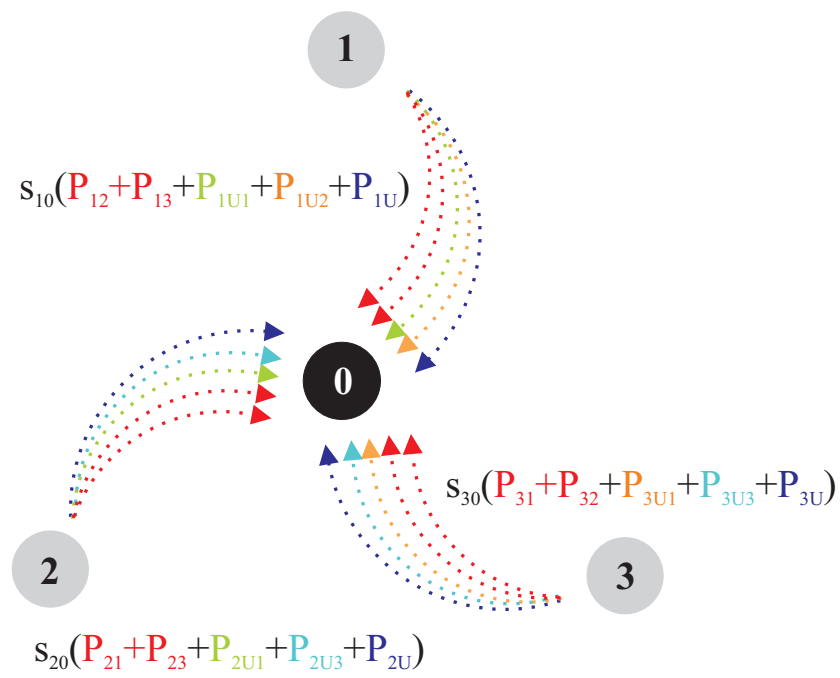
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$$R_{23} < E \left[ \log \left( 1 + s_{20}(P_{23} + P_{2U2}) + s_{30}(P_{32} + P_{3U2}) + 2\sqrt{s_{20}s_{30}P_{2U2}P_{3U2}} \right) \right]$$

$$R_{12} + R_{23} < E \left[ \log \left( 1 + s_{10}(P_{12} + P_{1U1}) + s_{20}(P_{21} + P_{23} + P_{2U1} + P_{2U2}) + s_{30}(P_{32} + P_{3U2}) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + 2\sqrt{s_{10}s_{20}P_{1U1}P_{2U1}} + 2\sqrt{s_{20}s_{30}P_{2U2}P_{3U2}} \right) \right]$$

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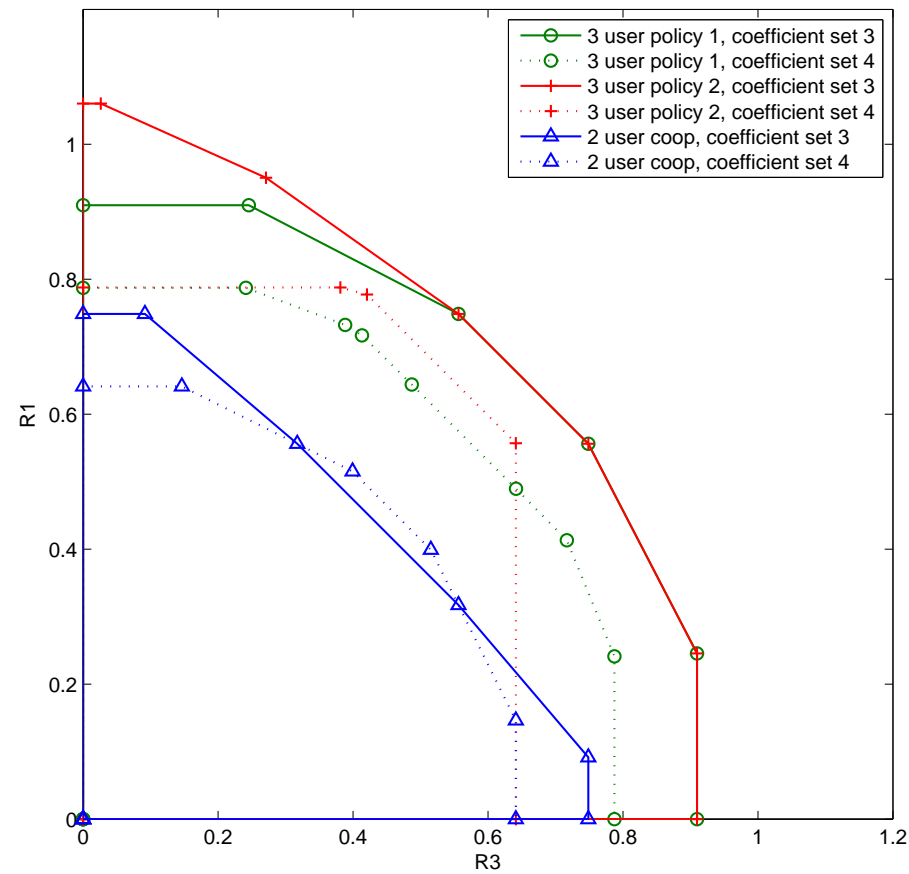
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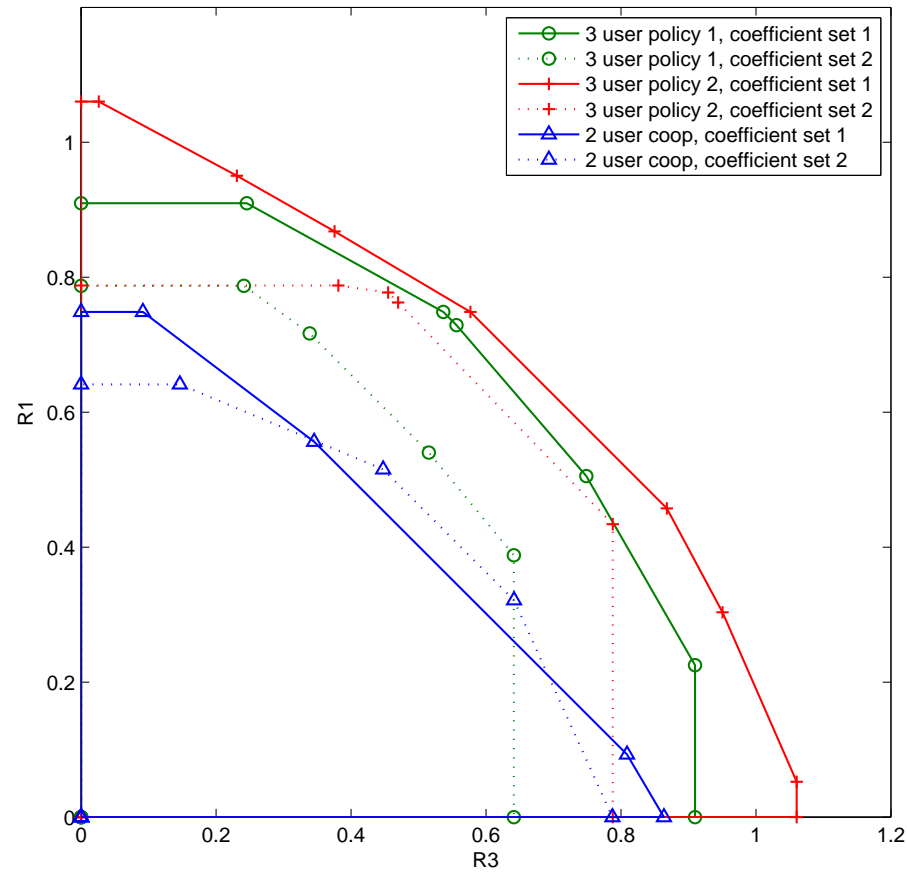
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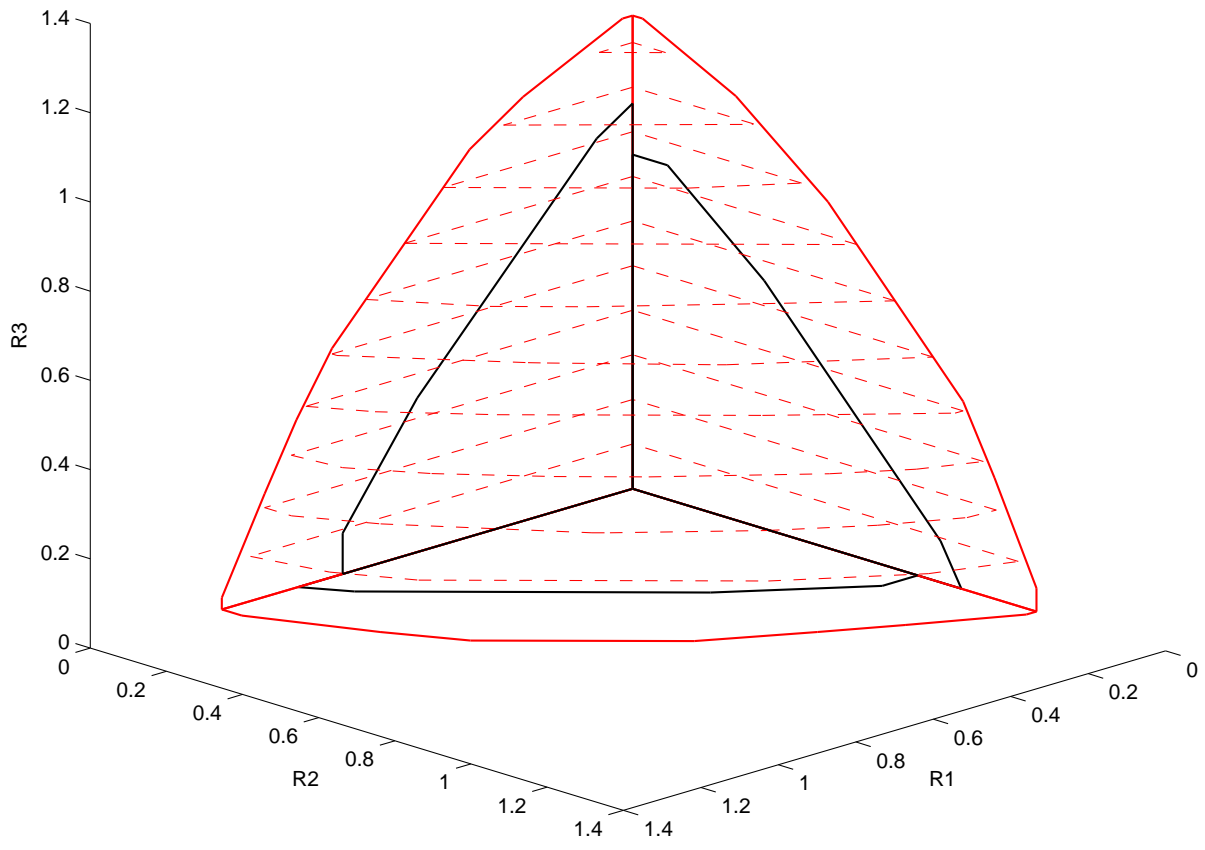
# Achievable Rates for Three User Cooperation - Channel Ordering I



# Achievable Rates for Three User Cooperation - Channel Ordering II



# Achievable Rates for Three User Cooperation (3D)



## Summary and Conclusions

- Proposed a new block Markov superposition type encoding policy for the three user MAC
  - Non-trivial generalization of the two user policy
  - Channel adaptive
- Obtained the achievable rate regions
- Significant improvement with respect to two user cooperation
  - Multi-user cooperation quite promising as a means of improving diversity.
- Adapting the encoding, decoding and transmit strategies to the channel in cooperative networks is a key approach for improving achievable rates.