



Self-Backhauling Full-Duplex Access Node with Massive Antenna Arrays: Power Allocation and Achievable Sum-Rate

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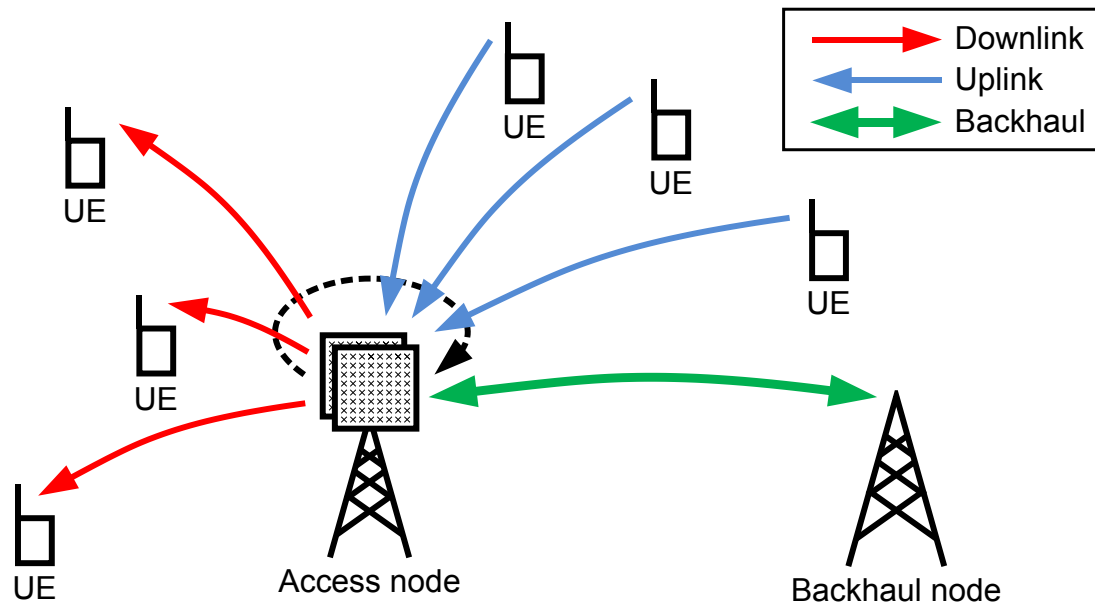


Introduction

- Inband full-duplex communications is quickly becoming reality
 - Several demonstrator implementations already exist
- The next big question is how to best take advantage of it
- In this work, we consider utilizing inband full-duplex capability for self-backhauling in an access node serving mobile users



System model



- Only the access node and the backhaul node are full-duplex capable
- The access node also has large TX and RX antenna arrays
- Zero-forcing beamforming is utilized by the access node to minimize self-interference and multiplex the mobiles
- The total transmit power of the access node is fixed



System model

- Assuming uniform channel conditions for the mobiles, it can be shown that the uplink and downlink data rates are:

$$R_u = U \log_2(1 + \Gamma_u P_u)$$

$$R_d = D \log_2(1 + \Gamma_d P_d)$$

where U and D are the numbers of uplink and downlink mobiles, P_u and P_d are the corresponding transmit powers.



System model

$$\Gamma_u = \frac{L_{UE}(N_r - U - M_r^{BH})}{\sigma_n^2 + \alpha P_{AN}}$$
$$\Gamma_d = \frac{L_{UE}(N_t - N_r - D - M_t^{BH})}{D\sigma_n^2}$$

- L_{UE} is the path loss between AN and the UEs
- N_r/N_t denote the number of AN RX/TX antennas
- M_r^{BH}/M_t^{BH} are the numbers of received/transmitted backhaul streams
- σ_n^2 is the noise floor in all the receivers
- α is the overall SI cancellation performance of the AN
- P_{AN} is the total transmit power of the AN



System model

- The backhaul data rates are of similar form, and they can be written as:

$$R_u^{BH} = M_t^{BH} \log_2 \left(1 + \Gamma_u^{BH} (P_{AN} - P_d) \right)$$

$$R_d^{BH} = M_r^{BH} \log_2 \left(1 + \Gamma_d^{BH} P_d^{BH} \right)$$

where P_d^{BH} is the transmit power of the backhaul node



System model

$$\Gamma_u^{BH} = \frac{L_{BH}(N_t - N_r - D - M_t^{BH})}{M_t^{BH}}$$

$$\Gamma_d^{BH} = \frac{L_{BH}(N_r - U - M_r^{BH})}{M_r^{BH}(\sigma_n^2 + \alpha P_{AN})}$$

- L_{BH} is the path loss between AN and BN



Transmit power optimization

- The objective is then to maximize the sum-rate, subject to the following constraints:
 - *The uplink and downlink data rates are within the backhauling capabilities of the access node*
 - *The uplink and downlink transmit powers are lower than or equal to a predefined limit*
 - *The ratio between the uplink and downlink data rates is as defined by a parameter (ρ)*
- Basically, the optimization is done by choosing the highest transmit powers that fulfill all of the constraints



Transmit power optimization

- Utilizing the rate expressions and the aforementioned constraints, we obtain the following optimal transmit powers:

$$P_d^* = \min\{P_d^I, P_d^{II}, P_d^{III}, P_d^{IV}\}, P_u^* = \frac{(1 + \Gamma_u P_d^*)^{\frac{\rho D}{U}}}{\Gamma_d},$$

$$P_d^I = \frac{(1 + \Gamma_d^{BH} P_d^{BH})^{\frac{M_t^{BH}}{D}} - 1}{\Gamma_d},$$

$$P_d^{II} = \frac{\Gamma_u^{BH} P_{AN} - (1 + \Gamma_d P_{AN})^{\frac{\rho D}{M_t^{BH}} - 1} \left[1 + \left(1 - \frac{\rho D}{M_t^{BH}} \right) \Gamma_d P_{AN} \right] + 1}{\Gamma_u^{BH} + \Gamma_d \frac{\rho D}{M_t^{BH}} (1 + \Gamma_d P_{AN})^{\frac{\rho D}{M_t^{BH}} - 1}},$$

$$P_d^{III} = \frac{(1 + \Gamma_u P_{UE})^{\frac{\rho D}{U}} - 1}{\Gamma_d},$$

$$P_d^{IV} = P_{AN}$$



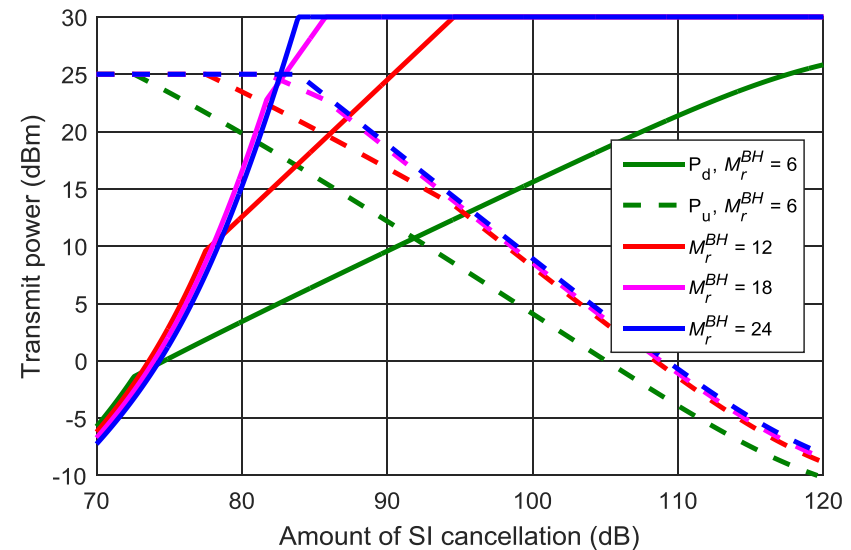
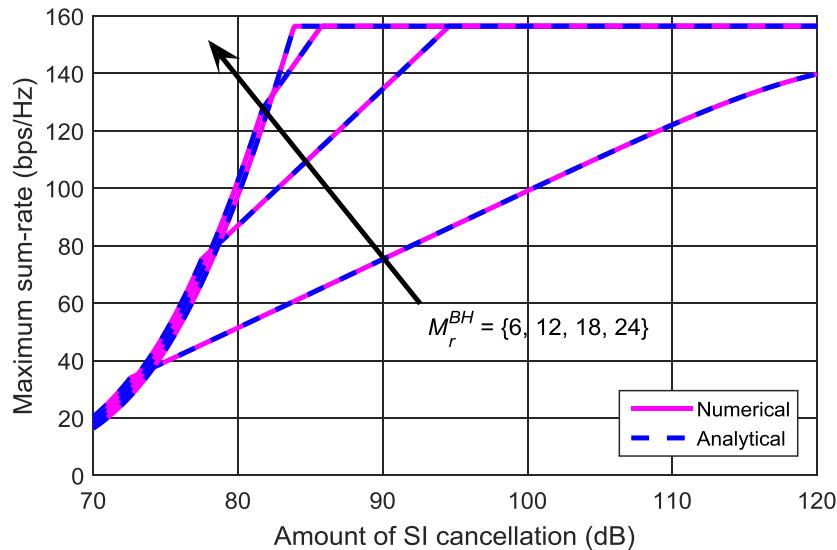
Numerical results

- Next, we evaluate the optimal transmit powers and the corresponding sum-rates numerically, using the given parameter values

| Parameter | Value |
|---|---------|
| Number of access node TX/RX antennas | 200/100 |
| Number of DL/UL mobiles | 10/10 |
| Number of DL/UL backhaul streams | 12/6 |
| Receiver noise floor | -90 dBm |
| Transmit power of the access node | 30 dBm |
| Maximum transmit power of the mobiles | 25 dBm |
| Transmit power of the backhaul node | 40 dBm |
| Amount of SI cancellation in the access node | -100 dB |
| Path loss between the access node and the mobiles | -90 dB |
| Path loss of the backhaul link | -80 dB |
| Ratio between UL and DL data rates | 0.2 |



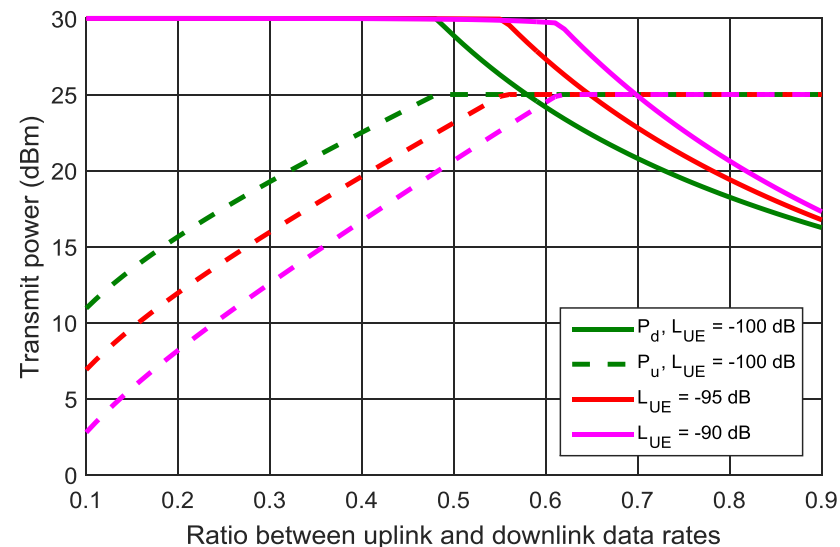
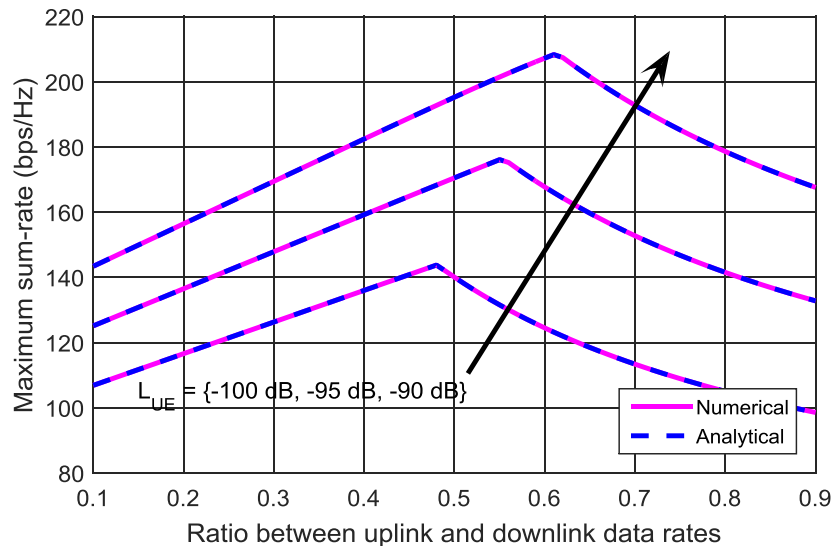
Numerical results



- Since certain approximations were made when deriving the aforementioned expressions, the analytically obtained results are compared with the results of numerically optimizing the original problem → good match
- It can be observed that at least 18 parallel spatial streams are needed for backhauling the downlink data with the lower SI cancellation levels
- Then, the highest sum-rate is achieved already with 85 dB of total SI cancellation
 - This is already reachable today



Numerical results



- Here, the same curves are drawn with respect to the ratio between uplink and downlink data rates, as well as with different path losses for the mobiles
- There is an optimal data rate ratio, which depends on the path loss
- The optimal ratio is obtained when both the DL and UL transmit powers are at their maximum
 - With any other data rate ratio, either the UL or DL transmit power must be limited below the maximum value to fulfil all the constraints



Conclusion

- Sum-rate maximizing transmit powers for a self-backhauling full-duplex access node were analytically derived
 - The given constraints ensured the self-backhauling capability
- With careful selection of transmit powers, full-duplex self-backhauling is feasible
 - However, the traffic ratio should be quite symmetric to obtain the highest sum-rates



Thank you!

- Questions?

