

# Hybrid Precoding for Multi-Group Multicasting in mmWave Systems

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- However, its benefits and challenges for hybrid precoders in mmWave systems require additional study.
- We investigate the joint design of hybrid transmit precoders (with an arbitrary number of finite-resolution phase shifts) and receive combiners for mmWave multi-group multicasting.

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- Our proposed is based on:
  - Semidefinite relaxation (SDR) [**convexification**]
  - Alternating optimization [**several parameters**]
  - Cholesky matrix factorization [**arbitrary phase shifts**]
- Our proposed design does not require:
  - Code-books
  - The optimal solution obtained by solving the problem with a fully-digital precoder.

# Multi-group Multicasting

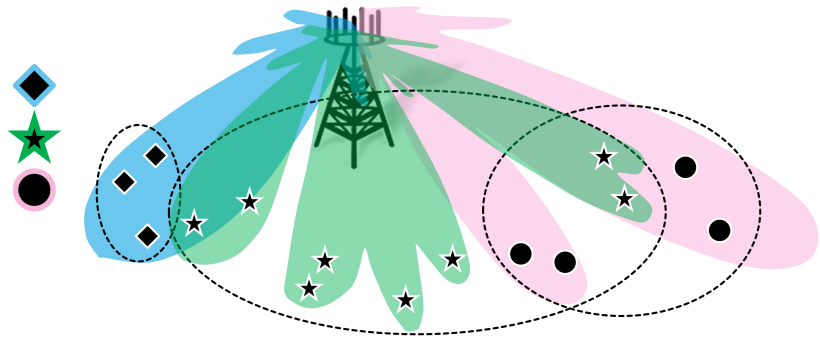
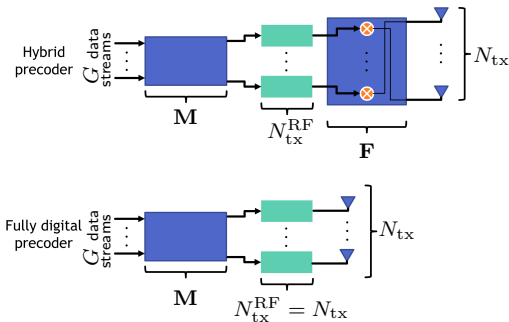


Figure: Multi-group Multicasting

# Hybrid Precoder



$M \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{tx}^{RF} \times G}$ : digital precoder

$F \in \mathcal{F}^{N_{tx} \times N_{tx}^{RF}}$ : analog precoder

$\mathcal{F} = \left\{ \sqrt{\delta}, \dots, \sqrt{\delta} e^{\frac{2\pi(L-1)}{L}} \right\}$ : set of phase shifts

$N_{tx}$ : number of transmit antennas

$N_{tx}^{RF} \geq G$ : number of RF chains

$L$ : number of phase shifts

$G$ : number of multicast groups

Figure: Multi-group Multicasting



# System Model

Downlink signal

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{F} [\mathbf{m}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_G] [s_1, \dots, s_G]^T \quad (1)$$

Received signal by user  $k \in \mathcal{G}_i, i \in \mathcal{I}$

$$y_k = \mathbf{w}_k^H (\mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n}_k)$$

$$y_k = \underbrace{\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \sum_{j=1}^G \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_j s_j}_{\text{aggregate multicast signals}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{n}_k}_{\text{noise}} \quad (2)$$

$\mathcal{K} = \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$ : set of users

$\mathcal{I} = \{1, 2, \dots, G\}$ : set of groups

$\mathcal{G}_i$ : set of user indices (in multicast group  $i$ )

$s_i$ : symbol for multicast group  $i$

# System Model

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$$y_k = \underbrace{\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_i s_i}_{\text{desired multicast signal}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^G \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_j s_j}_{\text{interference}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{n}_k}_{\text{noise}}, \quad (3)$$

$$\text{SINR}_k = \frac{|\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_i|^2}{\sum_{j \neq i} |\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_j|^2 + \sigma^2 \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2}, k \in \mathcal{G}_i, \quad (4)$$

$\mathbf{w}_k$ : combiner of the  $k$ -th user

$\mathbf{H}_k$ : channel between the gNodeB and the  $k$ -th user

$G$ : number of multicast groups

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# Problem Formulation

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$$\mathcal{P}_0^{\text{hyb}} : \min_{\mathbf{F}, \{\mathbf{m}_i\}_{i=1}^G, \{\mathbf{w}_k\}_{k=1}^K, \{x_k\}_{k=1}^K} \sum_{i=1}^G \|\mathbf{F}\mathbf{m}_i\|_2^2 + \beta \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad (5a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \frac{|\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_i|^2 + x_k}{\sum_{j \neq i} |\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_j|^2 + \sigma^2 \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2} \geq \gamma_i, \forall k \in \mathcal{G}_i, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}, \quad (5b)$$

$$\|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 = P_{\text{rx}}^{\max}, k \in \mathcal{K}, \quad (5c)$$

$$[\mathbf{F}]_{q,r} \in \mathcal{F}, q \in \mathcal{Q}, r \in \mathcal{R}, \quad (5d)$$

$$x_k \geq 0, \quad (5e)$$

$$q \in \mathcal{Q} = \{1, 2, \dots, N_{\text{tx}}\}, r \in \mathcal{R} = \{1, 2, \dots, N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}}\}$$

# Optimization of $\mathbf{F}$

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$$\mathcal{P}_1^{\text{hyb}} : \min_{\mathbf{F}, \{x_k\}_{k=1}^K} \sum_{i=1}^G \|\mathbf{F}\mathbf{m}_i\|_2^2 + \beta \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad (6a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i} |\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m}_j|^2 + \sigma^2 \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$- |\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F}\mathbf{m}_i|^2 \leq x_k, \forall k \in \mathcal{G}_i, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}, \quad (6b)$$

$$[\mathbf{F}]_{q,r} \in \mathcal{F}, q \in \mathcal{Q}, r \in \mathcal{R}, \quad (6c)$$

$$x_k \geq 0, \quad (6d)$$

# Optimization of $\mathbf{F}$ : Change of variables

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$$\mathcal{P}_1^{\text{hyb}} : \min_{\mathbf{f}, \{x_k\}_{k=1}^K} \sum_{i=1}^G \|\mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{f}\|_2^2 + \beta \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad (7a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \gamma_i \left( \sum_{j \neq i} |\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{J}_j \mathbf{f}|^2 + \sigma^2 \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 \right) - |\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{f}|^2 \leq x_k, \forall k \in \mathcal{G}_i, i \in \mathcal{I}, \quad (7b)$$

$$[\mathbf{f}]_n \in \mathcal{F}, n \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (7c)$$

$$x \geq 0, \quad (7d)$$

where  $\mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_i = \mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{f}$ ,  $\mathbf{J}_i = \mathbf{m}_i^T \otimes \mathbf{I}$ ,  $\mathbf{f} = \text{vec}(\mathbf{F})$  and  $\mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, \dots, N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}\}$ .

# Optimization of $\mathbf{F}$ : SDP Representation

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDP},1}^{\text{hyb}} : \min_{\mathbf{D}, \{x_k\}_{k=1}^K} \sum_{i=1}^G \text{Tr}(\mathbf{D}\mathbf{R}_i) + \beta \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad (8a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \text{Tr} \left( \mathbf{D} \left( \gamma_i \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{V}_{j,k} - \mathbf{V}_{i,k} \right) \right) + \sigma^2 \gamma_i \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 \leq x_k, \forall k \in \mathcal{G}_i, i \in \mathcal{I}, \quad (8b)$$

$$[\mathbf{D}]_{n,n} = \delta, n \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (8c)$$

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{D}) = 1, \quad (8d)$$

$$\mathbf{D} \succeq \mathbf{0}, \quad (8e)$$

$$x_k \geq 0, \quad (8f)$$

where  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^H$ ,  $\|\mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{f}\|_2^2 = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{D})$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_i = \mathbf{J}_i^H \mathbf{J}_i$ ,  $|\mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{J}_i \mathbf{f}|^2 = \text{Tr}(\mathbf{V}_{i,k} \mathbf{D})$  and  $\mathbf{V}_{i,k} = \mathbf{J}_i^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{J}_i$ .

# Optimization of $\mathbf{F}$ : SDR Representation

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$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDR},1}^{\text{hyb}} : \min_{\mathbf{D}, \{x_k\}_{k=1}^K} \sum_{i=1}^G \text{Tr}(\mathbf{D}\mathbf{R}_i) + \beta \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad (9a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \text{Tr} \left( \mathbf{D} \left( \gamma_i \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{V}_{j,k} - \mathbf{V}_{i,k} \right) \right) + \sigma^2 \gamma_i \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 \leq x_k, \forall k \in \mathcal{G}_i, i \in \mathcal{I}, \quad (9b)$$

$$[\mathbf{D}]_{n,n} = \delta, n \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (9c)$$

$$\mathbf{D} \succeq \mathbf{0}, \quad (9d)$$

$$x_k \geq 0, \quad (9e)$$

# Optimization of $\mathbf{F}$ : Phase Recovery - Stage $A_1$

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## Stage $A_1$ :

- Any element  $(n_1, n_2)$  of matrix  $\mathbf{D}$  can be represented as 
$$[\mathbf{D}]_{n_1, n_2} = [\mathbf{f}]_{n_1} [\mathbf{f}]_{n_2}^*, \quad n_1, n_2 \in \mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, \dots, N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}\}$$
- We define a vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}} \times 1}$  such that 
$$\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = \mathbf{u}^H \mathbf{u} = 1.$$
- We can express  $[\mathbf{D}]_{n_1, n_2}$  in terms of  $\mathbf{u}$ , i.e., 
$$[\mathbf{D}]_{n_1, n_2} = ([\mathbf{f}]_{n_1} \mathbf{u}^T) ([\mathbf{f}]_{n_2}^* \mathbf{u}^*).$$
- We assume that  $\mathbf{q}_n = [\mathbf{f}]_n \mathbf{u}$ .
- Thus,  $\mathbf{D}$  can be recast as  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{Q}^*$  with 
$$\mathbf{Q} = [\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \dots, \mathbf{q}_{N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}}]$$
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# Optimization of $\mathbb{F}$ : Phase Recovery - Stage $A_2$

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## Stage $A_2$ :

- We denote with  $\hat{\mathbf{D}}$  the solution returned by  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDR},1}^{\text{hyb}}$
- Via Cholesky matrix factorization we obtain  $\hat{\mathbf{D}} = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}^T \hat{\mathbf{Q}}^*$ , where  $\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = [\hat{\mathbf{q}}_1, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_2, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}}]$ .
- We have derived a relation that associates  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  with  $\{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_n\}_{n=1}^{N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}}$  (via  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_n = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{u}} \end{bmatrix}_n$ ). However, both are unknown.
- The premise that all  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_n$  can be obtained from the same  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$  cannot be guaranteed.

# Optimization of $\mathbb{F}$ : Phase Recovery - Stage $A_2$

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- Thus, we aim at finding an approximate  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ , such that  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_n \approx \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}} \end{bmatrix}_n \hat{\mathbf{u}}$ , and whose error in the 2-norm sense is minimum.

$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{LS}}^{\text{hyb}} : \quad \min_{\hat{\mathbf{u}}, \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}} \end{bmatrix}_n} \sum_{n=1}^{N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}} \left\| \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n - \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}} \end{bmatrix}_n \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right\|_2^2 \quad (10a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \|\hat{\mathbf{u}}\|_2^2 = 1, \quad (10b)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{f}} \end{bmatrix}_n \in \mathcal{F}, n \in \mathcal{N}. \quad (10c)$$

# Optimization of $\mathbb{F}$ : Phase Recovery - Stage $A_3$

## Stage $A_3$ :

- Minimizing simultaneously over both  $\hat{\mathbf{q}}_n$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$  is challenging. If we assume that  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$  is known, then we are required to solve

$$\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\text{LS}}^{\text{hyb}} : \quad \min_{[\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n} \sum_{n=1}^{N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}} \left\| \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n - [\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right\|_2^2 \quad (11a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad [\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \in \mathcal{F}, n \in \mathcal{N} \quad (11b)$$

- By expanding (11a), we obtain

$$\left\| \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n - [\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right\|_2^2 = \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n^H \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n - 2\Re \left( [\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n^H \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right) + \left| [\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \right|^2 \hat{\mathbf{u}}^H \hat{\mathbf{u}}.$$

# Optimization of $\mathbb{F}$ : Phase Recovery - Stage $A_3$

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## Stage $A_3$ :

- Thus, (11) is equivalent to

$$\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\text{LS}}^{\text{hyb}} : \quad \max_{[\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n} \sum_{n=1}^{N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}} \Re \left( [\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n^H \hat{\mathbf{u}} \right) \quad (12a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad [\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \in \mathcal{F}, n \in \mathcal{N}. \quad (12b)$$

- Since  $z_n = \hat{\mathbf{q}}_n^H \hat{\mathbf{u}}$  is known, (12a) is maximized when  $[\hat{\mathbf{f}}]_n \in \mathcal{F}$  is chosen with the closest phase to  $z_n^*$ .
- We solve  $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\text{LS}}^{\text{hyb}}$  for  $N_{\text{rand}}$  candidate vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$  and select the choice that attains the minimum objective function value.

# Optimization of $\mathbf{M}$

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$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDR},2}^{\text{hyb}} : \min_{\substack{\{\mathbf{M}_i\}_{i=1}^G, \\ \{x_k\}_{k=1}^K}} \sum_{i=1}^G \text{Tr}(\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{M}_i) + \beta \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad (13a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \text{Tr} \left( \mathbf{X}_k \left( \gamma_i \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{M}_j - \mathbf{M}_i \right) \right) + \sigma^2 \gamma_i \|\mathbf{w}_k\|_2^2 \leq x_k, \quad (13b)$$

$$\mathbf{M}_i \succeq \mathbf{0}, \quad (13c)$$

$$x_k \geq 0, \forall k \in \mathcal{G}_i, i \in \mathcal{I}, \quad (13d)$$

where  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{X}_k = \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{H}_k^H \mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{w}_k^H \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F}$  and  $\mathbf{M}_i = \mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_i^H$ .

# Optimization of $\{\mathbf{w}\}_{k=1}^K$

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$$\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDR},3}^{\text{hyb}} : \min_{\substack{\{\mathbf{W}_k\}_{k=1}^K, \\ \{x_k\}_{k=1}^K}} \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \quad (14a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \text{Tr} \left( \mathbf{W}_k \left( \gamma_i \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{Z}_{k,j} - \mathbf{Z}_{k,i} \right) \right) + \sigma^2 \gamma_i \text{Tr}(\mathbf{W}_k) \leq x_k, \quad (14b)$$

$$\text{Tr}(\mathbf{W}_k) = P_{\text{rx}}^{\text{max}}, \quad (14c)$$

$$\mathbf{W}_k \succeq \mathbf{0}, \quad (14d)$$

$$x_k \geq 0, \forall k \in \mathcal{G}_i, i \in \mathcal{I}, \quad (14e)$$

where  $\mathbf{W}_k = \mathbf{w}_k \mathbf{w}_k^H$  and  $\mathbf{Z}_{k,i} = \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{F} \mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_i^H \mathbf{F}^H \mathbf{H}_k^H$ .

# Simulation Results - Scenario 1

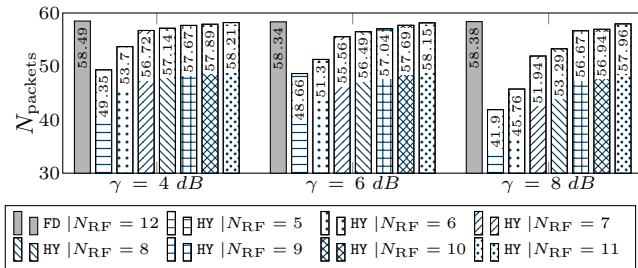
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**Table:** Simulation parameters

Description	Symbol	Value	Units
Number of users	$K$	60	-
Number of groups	$G$	4	-
Receive power	-	10	dBm
Noise power	$\sigma^2$	10	dBm
Number of transmit antennas	$N_{tx}$	12	-
Number of receive antennas	$N_{rx}$	2	-
Number of randomization	$N_{rand}$	500	-
Number of iterations	$N_{iter}$	3	-
Number of simulations	-	100	-
SINR requirement	$\gamma_i = \gamma$	{4, 6, 8}	-
Number of RF chains	$N_{tx}^{RF}$	{5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11}	-

# Simulation Results - Scenario 1

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**Figure:** Evaluation of the number of decoded packets for  $N_{tx} = 12$  when  $\gamma$  and  $N_{tx}^{RF}$  are varied.



# Simulation Results - Scenario 1

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**Goal:** Evaluate the performance of the hybrid and fully-digital precoders when  $N_{\text{rx}}$  is varied

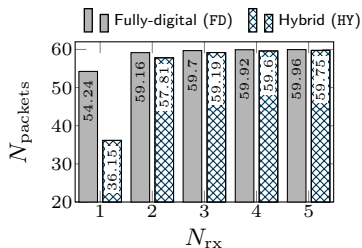
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Number of receive antennas	$N_{\text{rx}}$	{2, 3, 4, 5}	-
Number of iterations	$N_{\text{iter}}$	4	-
Number of simulations	-	100	-
SINR requirement	$\gamma_i = \gamma$	{5}	-
Number of RF chains	$N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}}$	8	-

# Simulation Results - Scenario 2

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**Goal:** Evaluate the performance of the hybrid and fully-digital precoders when  $N_{\text{RX}}$  is varied



**Figure:** Evaluation of the number of decoded packets when  $N_{\text{RX}}$  is varied.

# Simulation Results - Scenario 3

**Goal:** Evaluate the performance of the hybrid and fully-digital precoders when  $N_{\text{rand}}$  and  $N_{\text{iter}}$  are varied

Table: Simulation parameters

Description	Symbol	Value	Units
Number of users	$K$	60	-
Number of groups	$G$	4	-
Receive power	-	10	dBm
Noise power	$\sigma^2$	10	dBm
Number of transmit antennas	$N_{\text{tx}}$	12	-
Number of receive antennas	$N_{\text{rx}}$	2	-
Number of randomization	$N_{\text{rand}}$	{1, 10, 25, 50, 75, 100, 500, 1000}	-
Number of iterations	$N_{\text{iter}}$	{1, 2, 3, 4, }	-
Number of iterations	$N_{\text{iter}}$	4	-
Number of simulations	-	100	-
SINR requirement	$\gamma_i = \gamma$	5	-
Number of RF chains	$N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}}$	8	-



# Simulation Results - Scenario 2

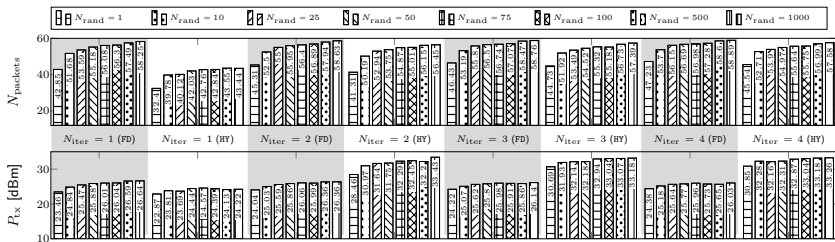


Figure: Evaluation of the number of decoded packets and transmit power for  $N_{tx} = 12$  when  $N_{iter}$  and  $N_{rand}$  are varied.

# Conclusions

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- We investigated the optimization of multi-group multicast hybrid precoders in mmWave systems
- Our proposed solution is based on the alternating optimization, semidefinite relaxation and Cholesky decomposition.
- Our formulation allows the employment of an arbitrary number of phase shifts.
- We corroborated through simulations that the hybrid precoder can attain similar performance as its fully-digital counterpart.
- We show that having receivers with two antennas suffices to improve the number of decoded packets (up to 60% gain).

# Questions

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## Appendix

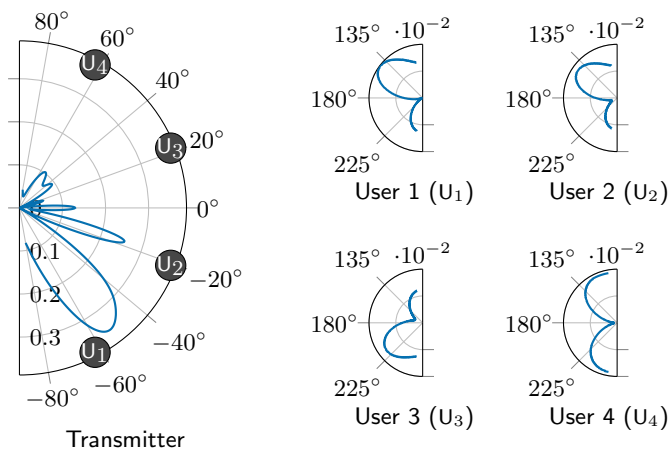


Figure: Radiation patterns

# Appendix

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**Computational complexity:** Neglecting the complexity owing to randomization and obviating the insignificant complexity increase due to the inclusion of slack parameters, the computational complexity of the proposed scheme when  $N_{\text{iter}} = 1$  is

$$\mathcal{O}\left(\left(N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}\right)^6 + K \left(N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}} N_{\text{tx}}\right)^2\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(G^3 \left(N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}}\right)^6 + KG \left(N_{\text{tx}}^{\text{RF}}\right)^2\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(K \left(N_{\text{rx}}\right)^6 + K \left(N_{\text{rx}}\right)^4\right).$$



## Appendix

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Algorithm 1: Proposed Iterative Approach

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**Define**  
Let  $g^{(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^G \|\mathbf{F}^{(t)} \mathbf{m}_i^{(t)}\|^2$  be the total transmit power.  
Let  $K^{(t)}$  be the number of users that satisfy (5b) at iteration  $t$ .

**Initialize**  
Set  $\mathbf{w}_k^{(0)} \leftarrow \mathbf{1} \mathbf{0}^T, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}, \mathbf{m}_i^{(0)} \leftarrow \mathbf{1} \mathbf{0}^T, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}$ .  
Set  $\bar{K} \leftarrow 0, \hat{g} \leftarrow 10^3, t \leftarrow 1$ .

**Iterate**  
Set  $C_1 \leftarrow 0, C_2 \leftarrow 0$  and  $\{C_{3,k}\}_{k=1}^K \leftarrow 0$ .  
**Optimize F:**  
Solve  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDR},1}^{\text{hyb}}$  to obtain  $\mathbf{D}^{(t)}$ .  
**repeat**  
Generate  $\mathbf{u}$  with uniform distribution in the sphere  $\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = 1$ .  
Solve  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{LS}}^{\text{hyb}}$  and compute  $\mathbf{F}^{(t)}$ .  
**if**  $K^{(t)} > \bar{K}$  or  $(K^{(t)} = \bar{K} \text{ and } g^{(t)} \leq \hat{g})$   
Assign  $\mathbf{F} \leftarrow \mathbf{F}^{(t)}, \hat{g} \leftarrow g^{(t)}, \bar{K} \leftarrow K^{(t)}$ .  
**end**  
Increase the counter  $C_1, C_1 \leftarrow C_1 + 1$ .  
**while**  $C_1 \leq N_{\text{rand}}$

**Optimize  $\mathbf{m}_i$ :**  
Solve  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDR},2}^{\text{hyb}}$  and obtain  $\{\mathbf{M}_i^{(t)}\}_{i=1}^G$ .  
**repeat**  
Generate  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_i^{(t)} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{M}_i^{(t)}), \forall i \in \mathcal{I}$ .  
**if**  $K^{(t)} > \bar{K}$  or  $(K^{(t)} = \bar{K} \text{ and } g^{(t)} \leq \hat{g})$   
Assign  $\{\mathbf{m}_i\}_{i=1}^G \leftarrow \{\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_i^{(t)}\}_{i=1}^G, \hat{g} \leftarrow g^{(t)}, \bar{K} \leftarrow K^{(t)}$ .  
**end**  
Increase the counter  $C_2, C_2 \leftarrow C_2 + 1$ .  
**while**  $C_2 \leq N_{\text{rand}}$

**Optimize  $\mathbf{w}_k$ :**  
Solve  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{SDR},3}^{\text{hyb}}$  and obtain  $\{\mathbf{W}_k^{(t)}\}_{k=1}^K$ .  
**repeat for each k:**  
Generate  $\mathbf{v}_k^{(t)} \leftarrow \mathbf{W}_k^{(t)} \mathbf{v}_k, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}$  with  $\mathbf{v}_k$  uniformly distributed in the sphere  $\|\mathbf{v}_k\|_2^2 = 1$ .  
**if**  $K^{(t)} > \bar{K}$  or  $(K^{(t)} = \bar{K} \text{ and } g^{(t)} \leq \hat{g})$   
Assign  $\mathbf{w}_k \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_k^{(t)}, \hat{g} \leftarrow g^{(t)}, \bar{K} \leftarrow K^{(t)}$ .  
**end**  
Increase the counter  $C_{3,k}, C_{3,k} \leftarrow C_{3,k} + 1$ .  
**while**  $C_{3,k} \leq \lfloor N_{\text{rand}}/K \rfloor$

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**Until**  $t > N_{\text{iter}}$

Figure: Algorithm