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# **Power-Efficient Opportunistic Amplify-and-Forward Single-Relay Aided Multi-User SC-FDMA Uplink**

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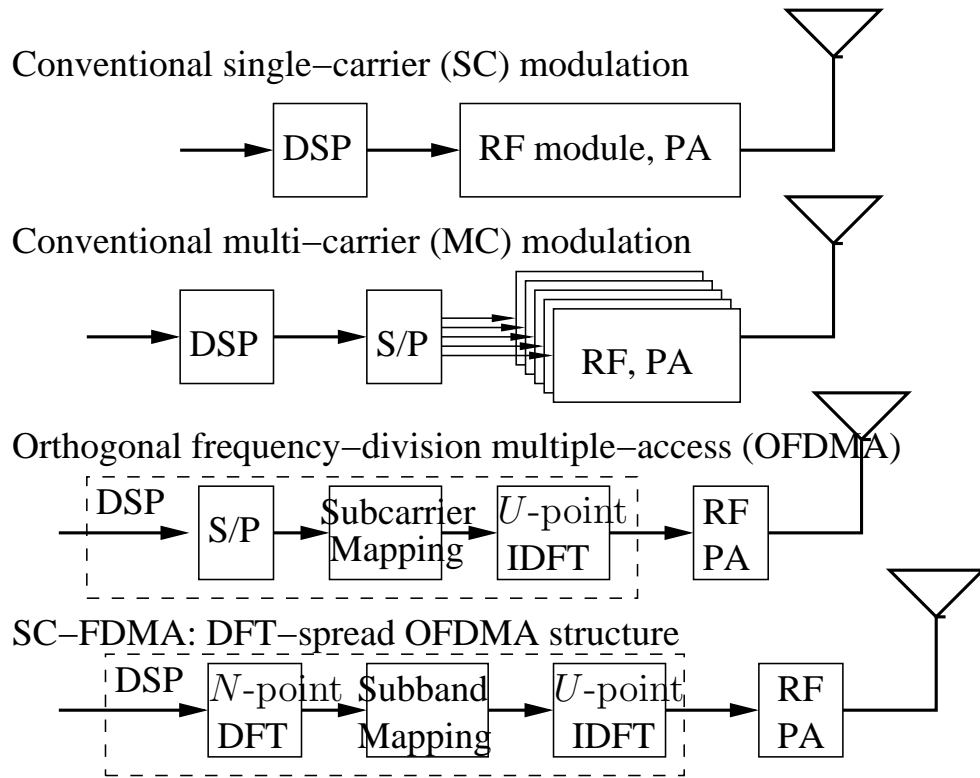
## Motivation

- ❑ 3GPP LTE-Advanced prospective
- ❑ Green radio awareness - power efficiency
- ❑ High transmission throughput requirement: broadband rather than narrowband
- ❑ Problem: have to mitigate both the shadow and Rayleigh/Rician fading over dispersive channels

# Why SC-FDMA?

## Carrier modulation aware transmitter design

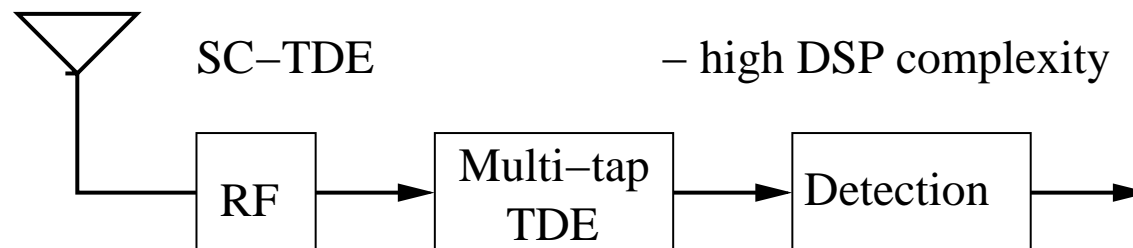
- Power amplifier (PA) requires *low peak-to-average power ratio (PAPR)* due to its limited linear range



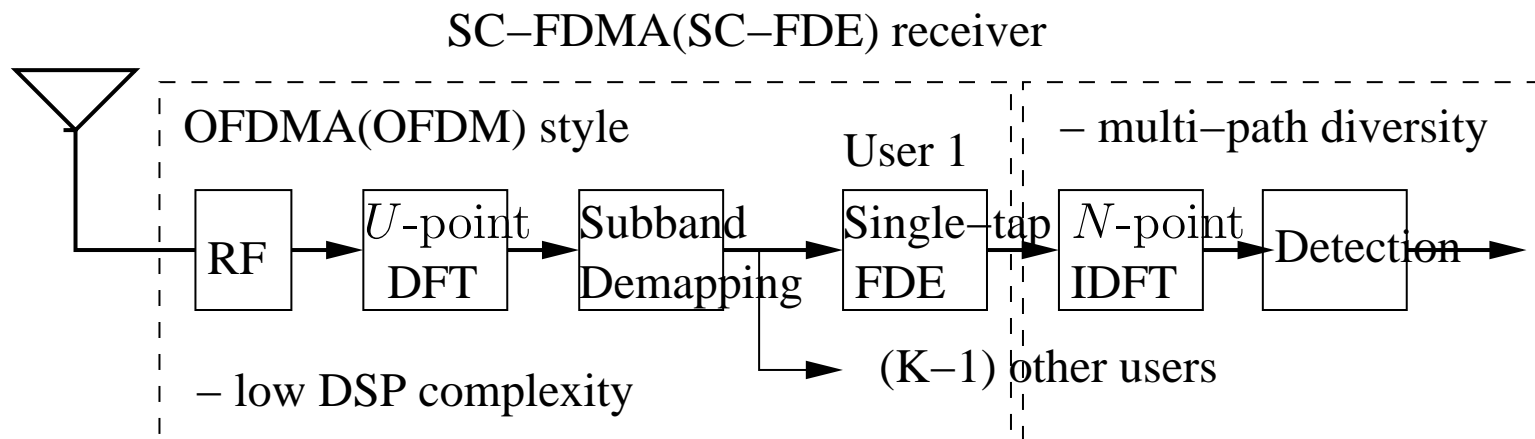
| Signal generation     | RF module and PA | PAPR | Hardware complexity | Configure flexibility       | Multi-path diversity |
|-----------------------|------------------|------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Time-domain (TD)      | Single           | Low  | Low                 | Constant modulus modulation | Depend on receiver   |
| TD                    | Multiple         | Low  | High                | Constant modulus modulation | No                   |
| Frequency-domain (FD) | Single           | High | Low                 | Flexible Reconfig           | No                   |
| TD                    | Single           | Low  | Low                 | Flexible Reconfig           | Yes                  |

## ❑ Digital signal processing (DSP) at receiver

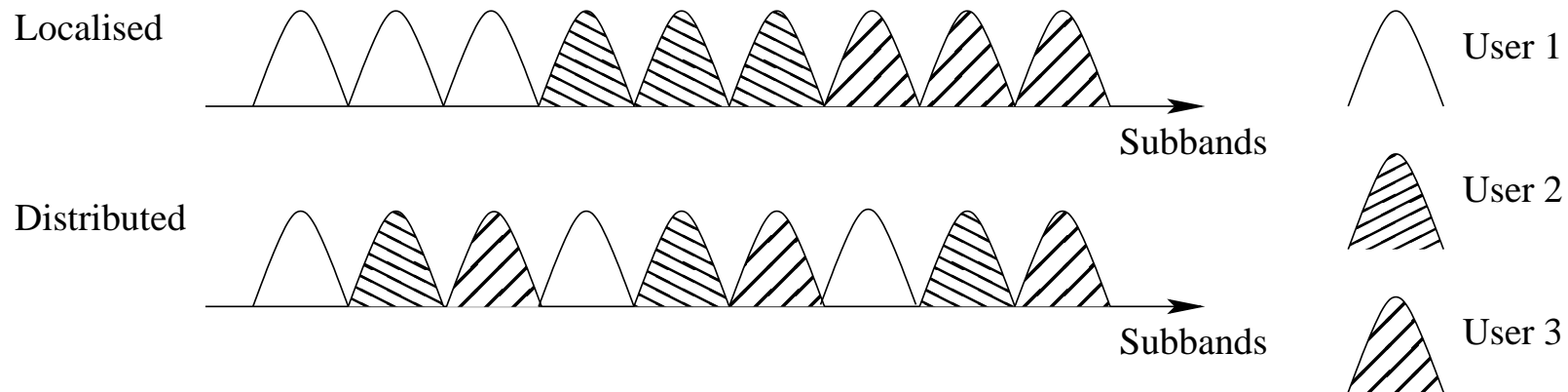
- Conventional SC receiver: *time-domain equaliser (TDE) with hundreds of filter taps in case of long channel impulse responses imposed by frequency-selective fading*



- SC-FDE receiver *transforms the received signal to the frequency-domain, as in OFDM and employs single-tap multiplicative frequency-domain equaliser (FDE)*
- SC-FDE receiver *includes IDFT operation after conventional OFDM receiver*



## □ Multiple-access oriented subband mapping schemes



- Distributed mode provides higher *multi-path diversity* gain than localised mode.
- Localised mode may achieve *multi-user diversity* when invoking *channel-dependent scheduling*, it is more suitable for a system in which a few users require high bit-rate.
- Interleaved mode is a special case of the distributed mode, where subbands are arranged equidistantly from each other.
- The transmitted TD signal of localised mode requires *a few subcarriers*, while for interleaved mode only *single carrier* is used.

# Why Cooperation?

## □ Aims

- Achieving energy/power efficiency
- Increasing system throughput
- Extending cellular coverage
- Supports multiple users
- Guarantees a given quality of service (QoS)

## □ Relay selection: whom to cooperate with?

- Fixed - *aiming for cooperative diversity, fixed relaying gain*
- Random - *limited relaying gain and selection diversity gain*
- Distance-dependent - *aiming for relaying gain*
- Channel-dependent - *aiming for both relaying and selection diversity gains* -

### **Opportunistic Relaying**



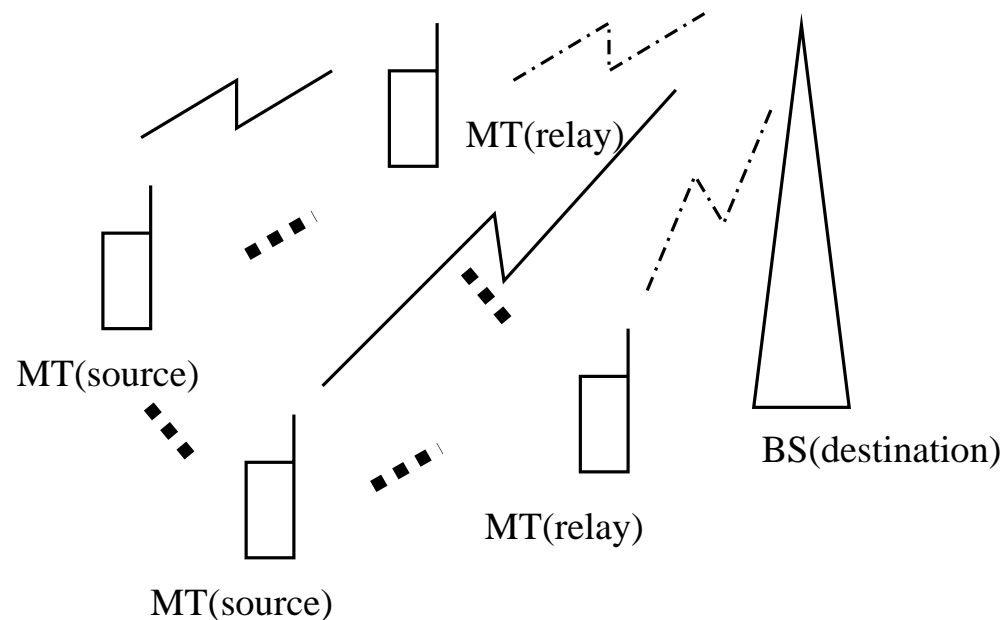
## Opportunistic Amplify-and-Forward Cooperative Relaying for SC-FDMA Uplink

□ Our proposed systems are capable of providing:

- Multi-user (selection) diversity gain
- Cooperative (spatial) diversity gain
- Multi-path (frequency) diversity gain

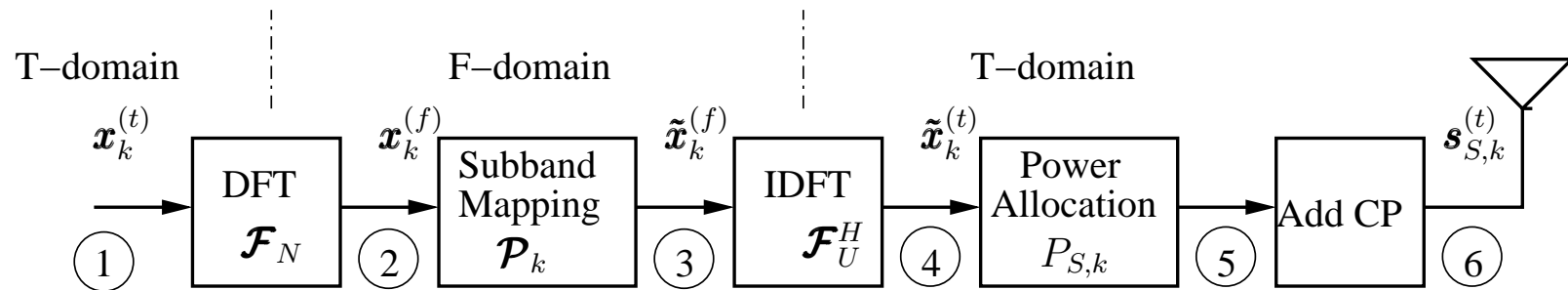
□ Additionally,

- Free of multi-user interference (MUI) and reduced AF relaying noise
- Low DSP complexity at the relay and BS



## Source MT Transmitter

### □ DFT-spread-OFDMA style transmitter



- $k$ -th user's  $N$  consecutive TD symbol in the vector  $\mathbf{x}_k^{(t)}$
- Bandwidth (BW) expansion factor  $M$  supports a maximum of  $M$  users
- $N$ -point FFT matrix  $\mathcal{F}_N$  offers a normalised BW of  $N$  per user
- $U$ -point IFFT matrix  $\mathcal{F}_U^H$  provides the total normalised BW of  $U = N \times M$

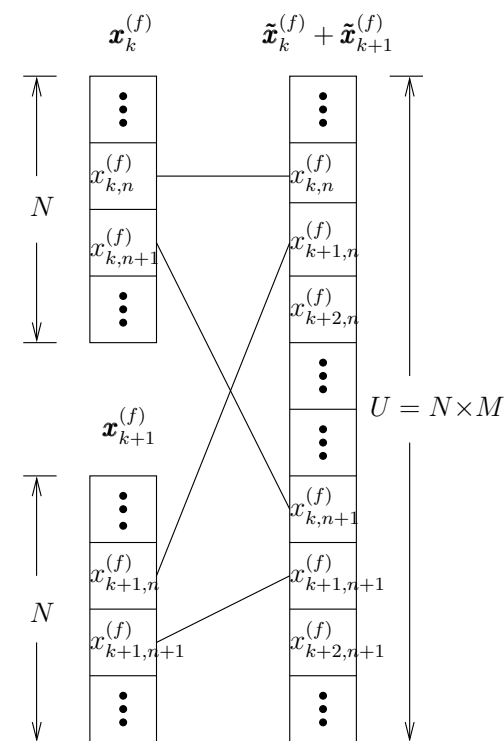
- Total transmitted signal power  $P_t$  is normalised to unity, the source MT's transmitted power  $P_{St,k} = \epsilon_{S,k} \alpha_{S,k} P_t$ , power sharing factor  $\alpha_{S,k} = \alpha_{R,k} = 0.5$ , in terms of Equal Power Allocation (EPA), Power Control Error (PCE): log-normal distributed samples with zero mean and variance of  $\sigma_\epsilon^2$ , i.e.  $\epsilon_{S,k}(\text{dB}) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$ .

- Subband mapping matrix  $\mathcal{P}_k$  of the  $k$ -th user
  - Interleaved mode - *achieves multi-path diversity gain*

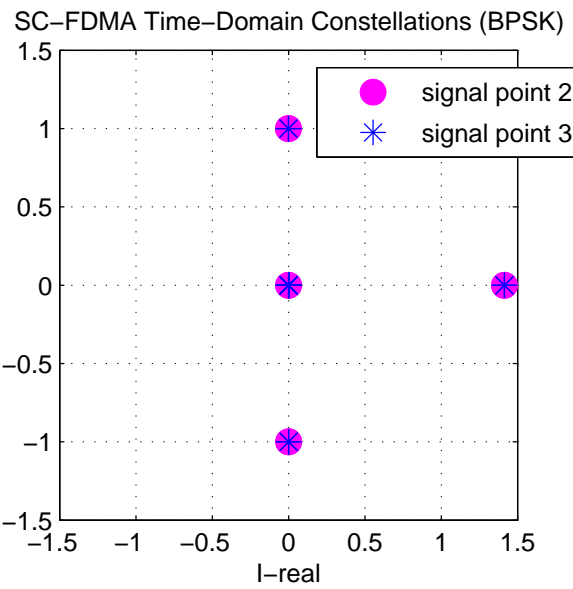
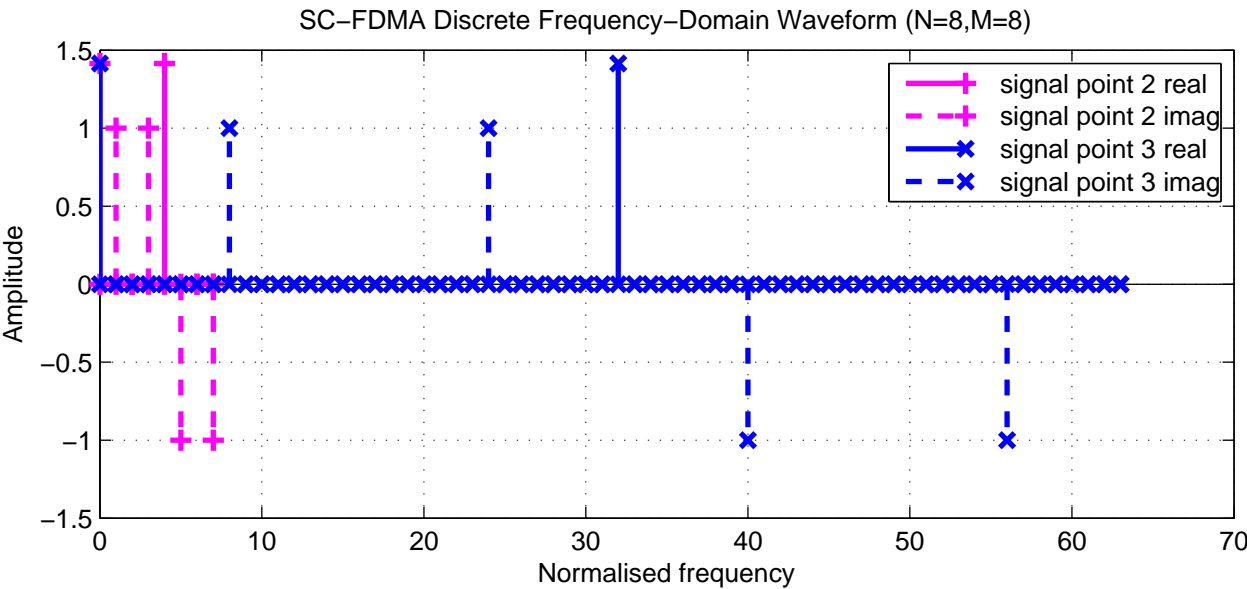
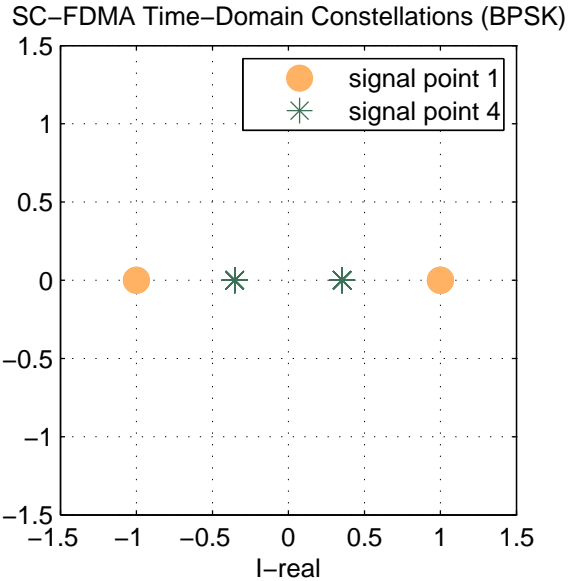
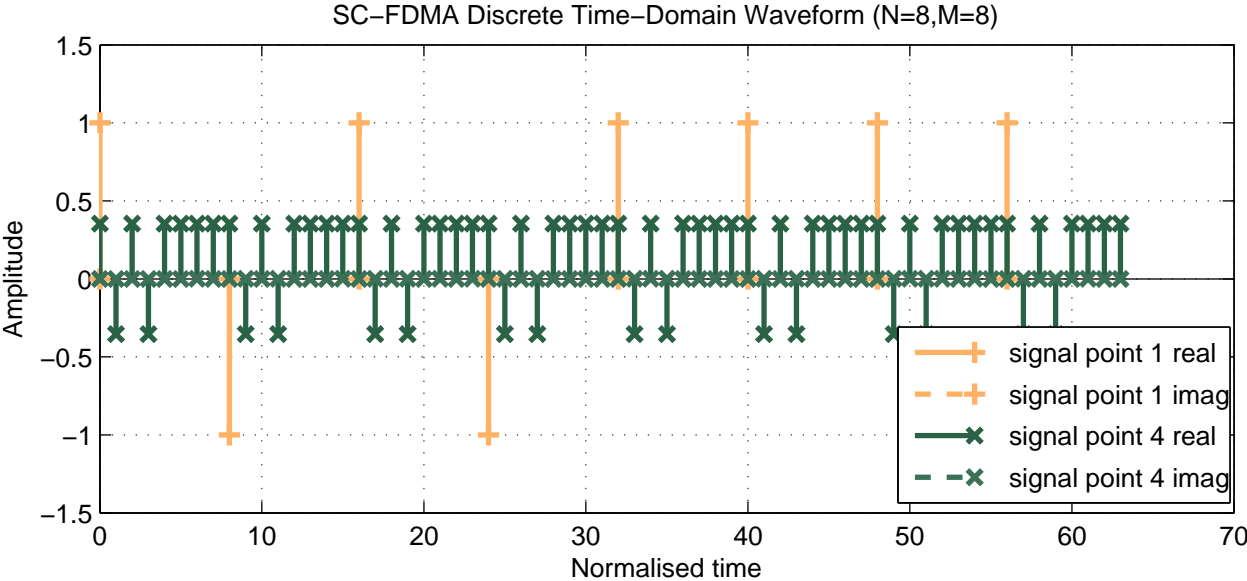
$$\mathcal{P}_{k,un} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } u = nM + k \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Transmitted signal before inserting cyclic-prefix CP

$$\mathbf{s}_{S,k}^{(t)} = \sqrt{P_{St,k}} \mathbf{F}_U^H \mathcal{P}_k \mathbf{F}_N \mathbf{x}_k^{(t)}$$

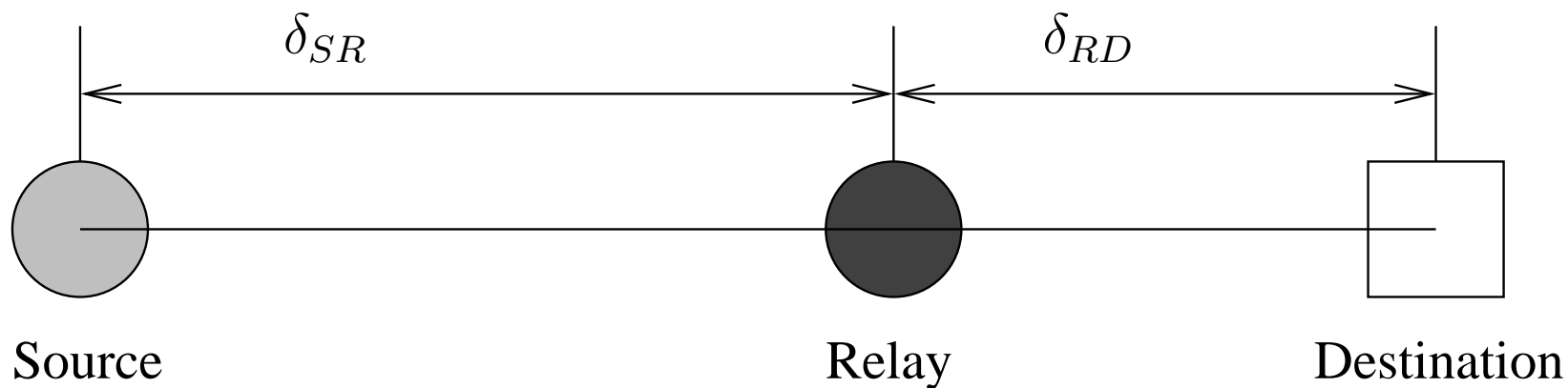


Interleaved subband mapping



## Channel Modelling

- ❑ 2D propagation map, direct link: source-destination (S-D), relaying links: source-relay (S-R), relay-destination (R-D)
- ❑ Reference distance: S-D link, normalised distances:  $\delta_{SR} + \delta_{RD} = 1$
- ❑ Average path-loss:  $\delta_{SR}^{-\eta}$  and  $\delta_{RD}^{-\eta}$
- ❑ Path-loss exponent  $\eta = 4$ , shadow fading  $\xi(dB) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{\xi}^2)$
- ❑ Instantaneous path-loss:  $G_{SR} = \xi_{SR}\delta_{SR}^{-\eta}$  and  $G_{RD} = \xi_{RD}\delta_{RD}^{-\eta}$



## Assumptions

- ❑ BPSK modulation without channel coding
- ❑ AWGN  $\mathcal{CN}(0, \sigma_N^2)$  at the relay and BS
- ❑ Perfect Channel State Information at the Receiver (CSIR) of the BS
- ❑ Channel-Dependent Relay Selection (CD-RS) based on pilots
- ❑ Orthogonal subbands of the DFT-S-OFDM signals, avoiding MUI among the source MT
- ❑ A sufficiently long CP for each transmitted TD signal block, leading to zero inter-block interference (IBI)
- ❑ Each subband encounters independent and identically Rayleigh distributed block fading
- ❑ The  $K$  users' signals are transmitted synchronously over the uplink channels

## Relaying Topologies

### □ Half-Duplex Time-Division Cooperation

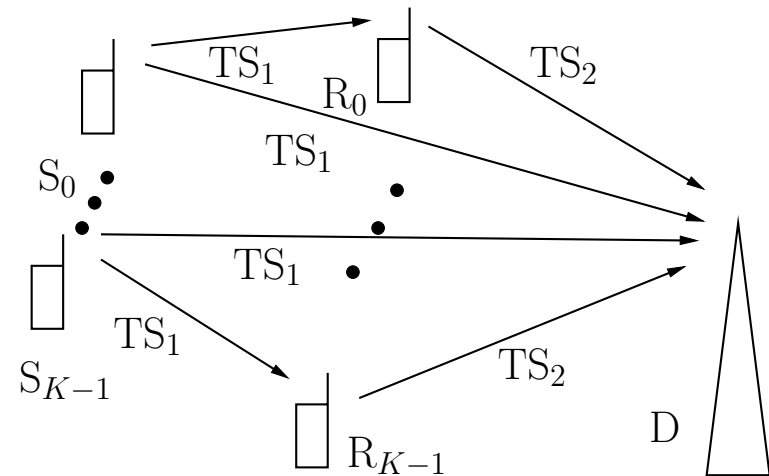
- Time slots  
TS<sub>1</sub>: S→D and S→R, TS<sub>2</sub>: R→D
- Direct Transmission

$$\mathbf{r}_{SD}^{(t)} = \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{SD,k}^{(t)} \mathbf{s}_{S,k}^{(t)} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}}_{D1}^{(t)}$$

- Single-Dedicated-Relaying (SDR):  
 $K$  sources and  $K$  relays

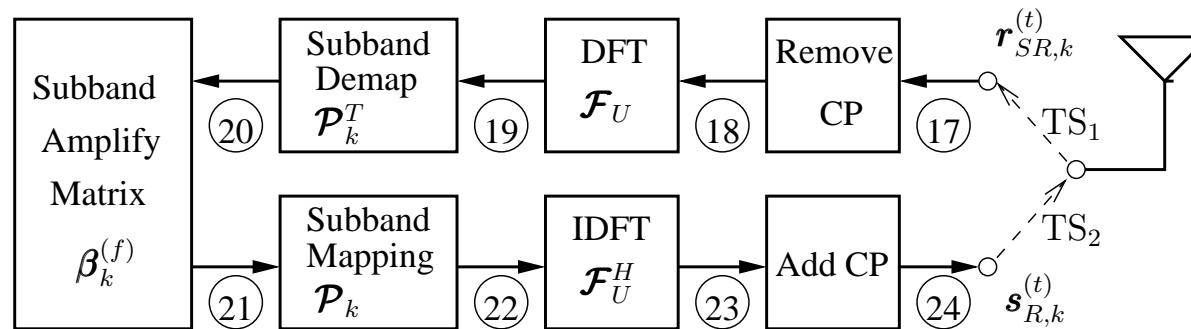
$$\mathbf{r}_{SR,k'}^{(t)} = \sqrt{G_{SR}} \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{SR,k}^{(t)} \mathbf{s}_{S,k}^{(t)} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}}_{R,k}^{(t)}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{RD}^{(t)} = \sqrt{G_{RD}} \sum_{k'=0}^{K-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{RD,k'}^{(t)} \mathbf{s}_{R,k'}^{(t)} + \tilde{\mathbf{n}}_{D1}^{(t)}$$



## Cooperative Strategies

- Amplify-and-Forward combined with subband-based FD equalisation and remapping



- Subband-specific equalisation and amplification matrix

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_k^{(f)} = \text{diag}\{\beta_{k0}^{(f)}, \beta_{k1}^{(f)}, \dots, \beta_{k(N-1)}^{(f)}\},$$

where the  $n$ -th element is the specific *gain factor* of the  $n$ -th subband

$$\beta_{kn}^{(f)} = \sqrt{P_{Rt,k} / [P_{St,k} G_{SR} |h_{SR,kn}^{(f)}|^2 + \sigma_N^2]}.$$

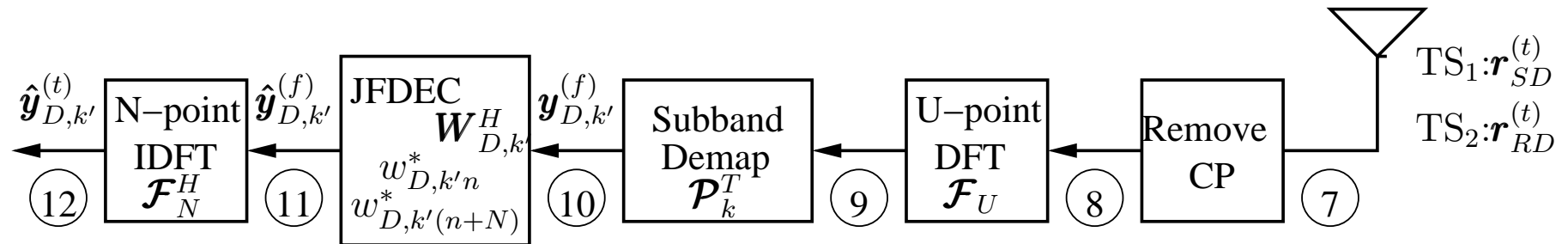
- The transmitted signal of the  $k$ -th relay during TS<sub>2</sub>

$$\mathbf{s}_{R,k}^{(t)} = \sqrt{P_{St,k} G_{SR}} \mathbf{F}_U^H \mathbf{P}_k \boldsymbol{\beta}_k^{(f)} \mathbf{H}_{SR,k}^{(f)} \mathbf{x}_k^{(f)} + \bar{\mathbf{n}}_{R,k}^{(t)}$$



## Signal Processing at the BS's Receiver

### MMSE Assisted Joint FD Equalisation and Combining (JFDEC)



- The  $k'$ -th user's received signals include direct and relay branches:

$$\mathbf{y}_{D,k'}^{(f)} = \sqrt{P_{St,k'}} \mathbf{H}_{D,k'}^{(f)} \mathbf{x}_{k'}^{(f)} + \mathbf{n}_D^{(f)}$$

- MMSE optimum weight matrix  $\mathbf{W}_{D,k'}$ , jointly carry out single-tap FDE and diversity combining of the direct and relay branches.

## □ JFDEC-MMSE cont.

- The  $n$ -th and  $(n + N)$ -th element of the JFDEC  $\mathbf{W}_{D,k'}$  can be expressed as

$$w_{D,k'n} = \frac{h_{D0,k'n}^{(f)}}{\sigma_N^2} \left( \frac{|h_{D0,k'n}^{(f)}|^2}{\sigma_N^2} + \frac{|h_{D1,k'n}^{(f)}|^2}{\mathcal{N}_{D1,n}} + P_{St,k'}^{-1} \right)^{-1},$$

$$w_{D,k'(n+N)} = \frac{h_{D1,k'n}^{(f)}}{\mathcal{N}_{D1,n}} \left( \frac{|h_{D0,k'n}^{(f)}|^2}{\sigma_N^2} + \frac{|h_{D1,k'n}^{(f)}|^2}{\mathcal{N}_{D1,n}} + P_{St,k'}^{-1} \right)^{-1}$$

- TD decision variable vector

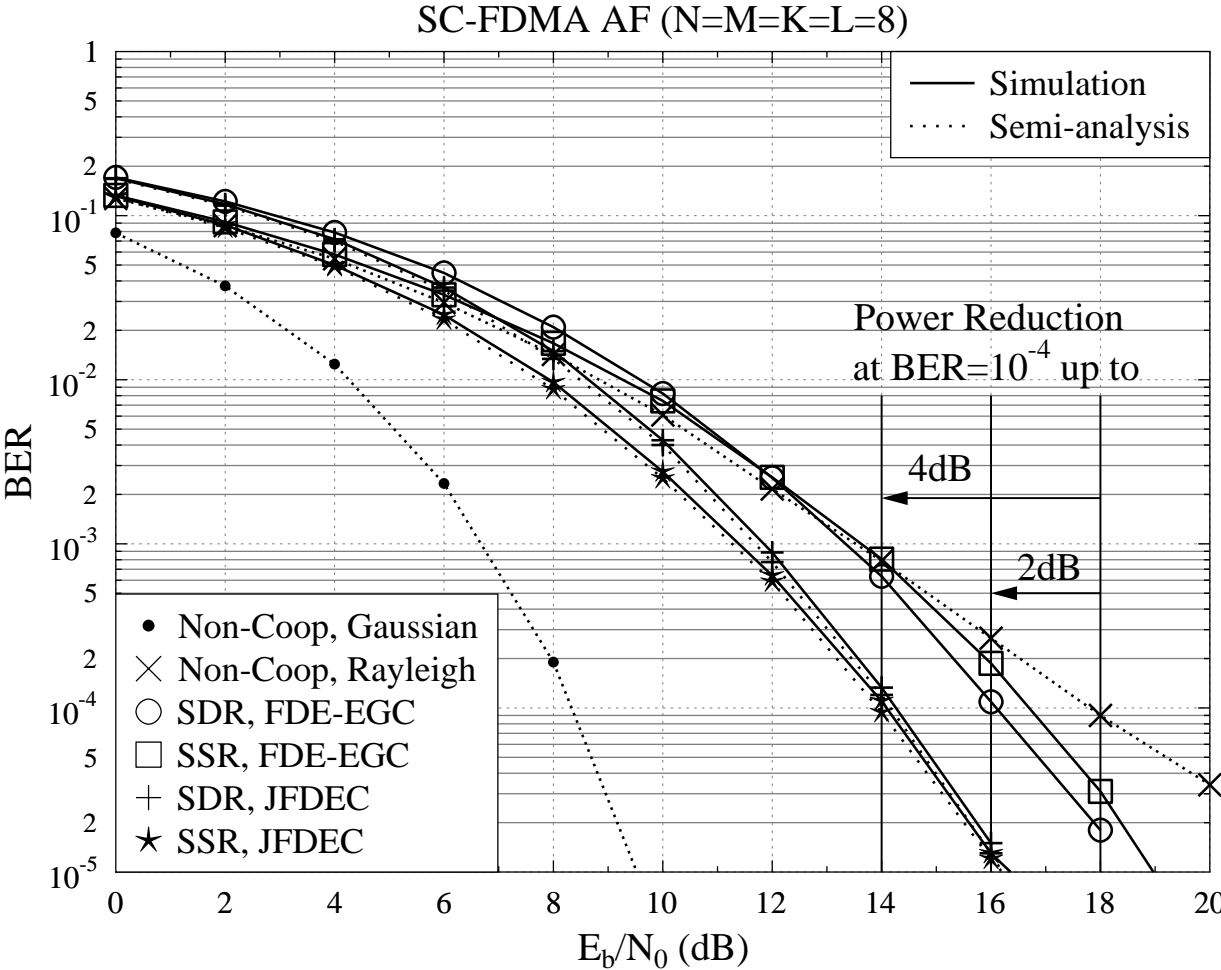
$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_{D,k'}^{(t)} = \mathbf{F}_N^H \mathbf{W}_{D,k'}^H \mathbf{y}_{D,k'}^{(f)}$$

- The  $k'$ -th user's overall received SINR

$$\gamma_{k'} = \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left[ \frac{1 + \gamma_{SD,k'n} + \left( \gamma_{SR,k'n}^{-1} + \gamma_{RD,k'n}^{-1} \right)^{-1}}{\left( \gamma_{SR,k'n}^{-1} + \gamma_{RD,k'n}^{-1} \right)^{-1}} \right]^{-1} \right\}^{-1} - 1$$

# Simulation Results

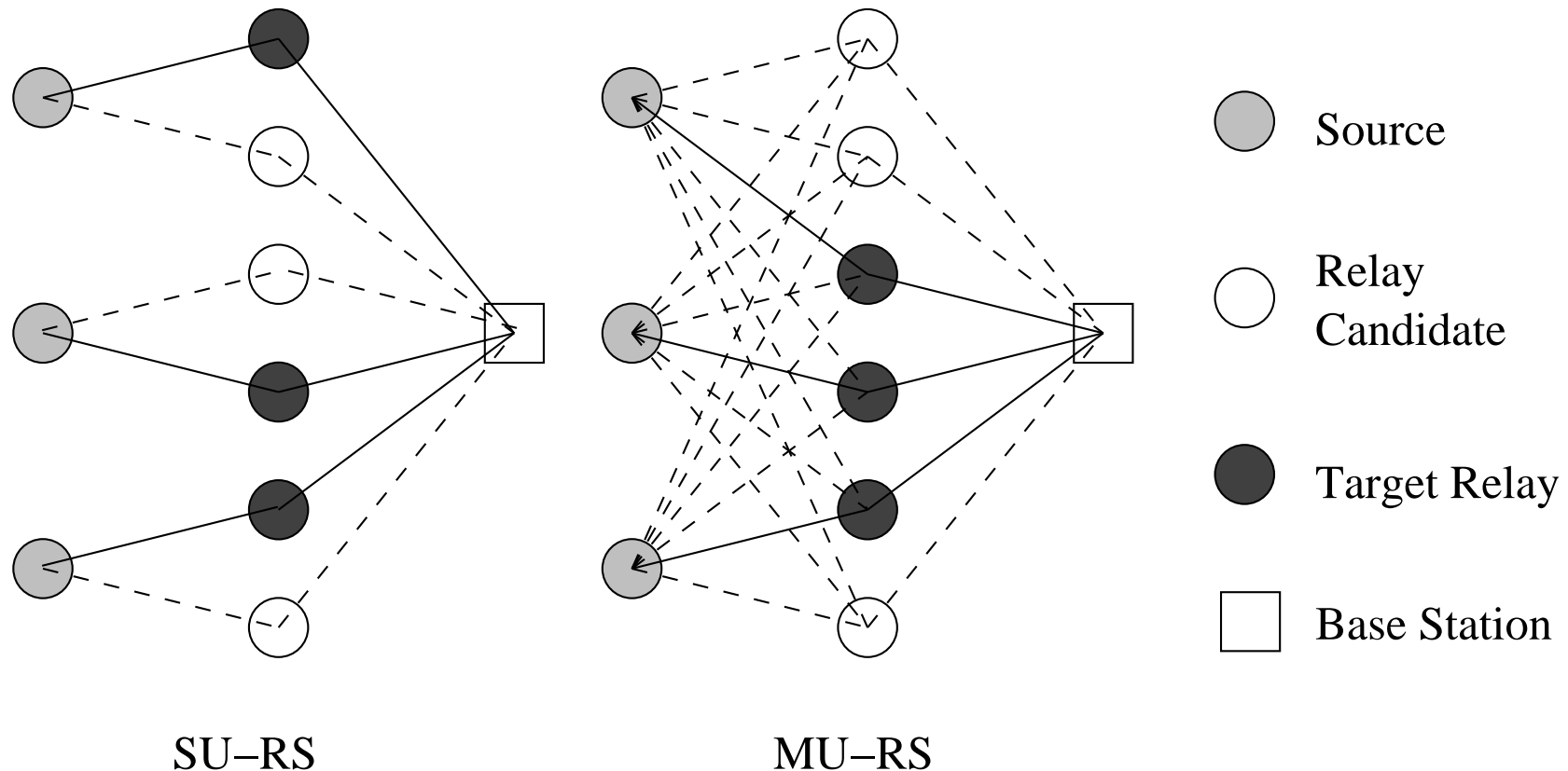
❑ Power reduction of JFDEC receiver by ignoring path-loss and shadowing



# Opportunistic Cooperative Relaying

## □ Opportunistic relaying

- allows a single relay to be selected from a cluster of  $J (J > 0)$  inactive MTs, the so-called *Relay Candidates* (RC), depending on which MT provides for the best end-to-end link quality between the source and destination



## Relay Selection Schemes

### ❑ Single-User Relay Selection (SU-RS) for the SDR

- High number of idle MTs, more RCs may be considered
- Each source MT is capable of seeking a target relay from a cluster of  $J$  RCs which are independent of the other source MT's RC

$$j_k^{(opt)} = \arg \max_{j \in [0, J-1]} \{\gamma_{j,k}\}$$

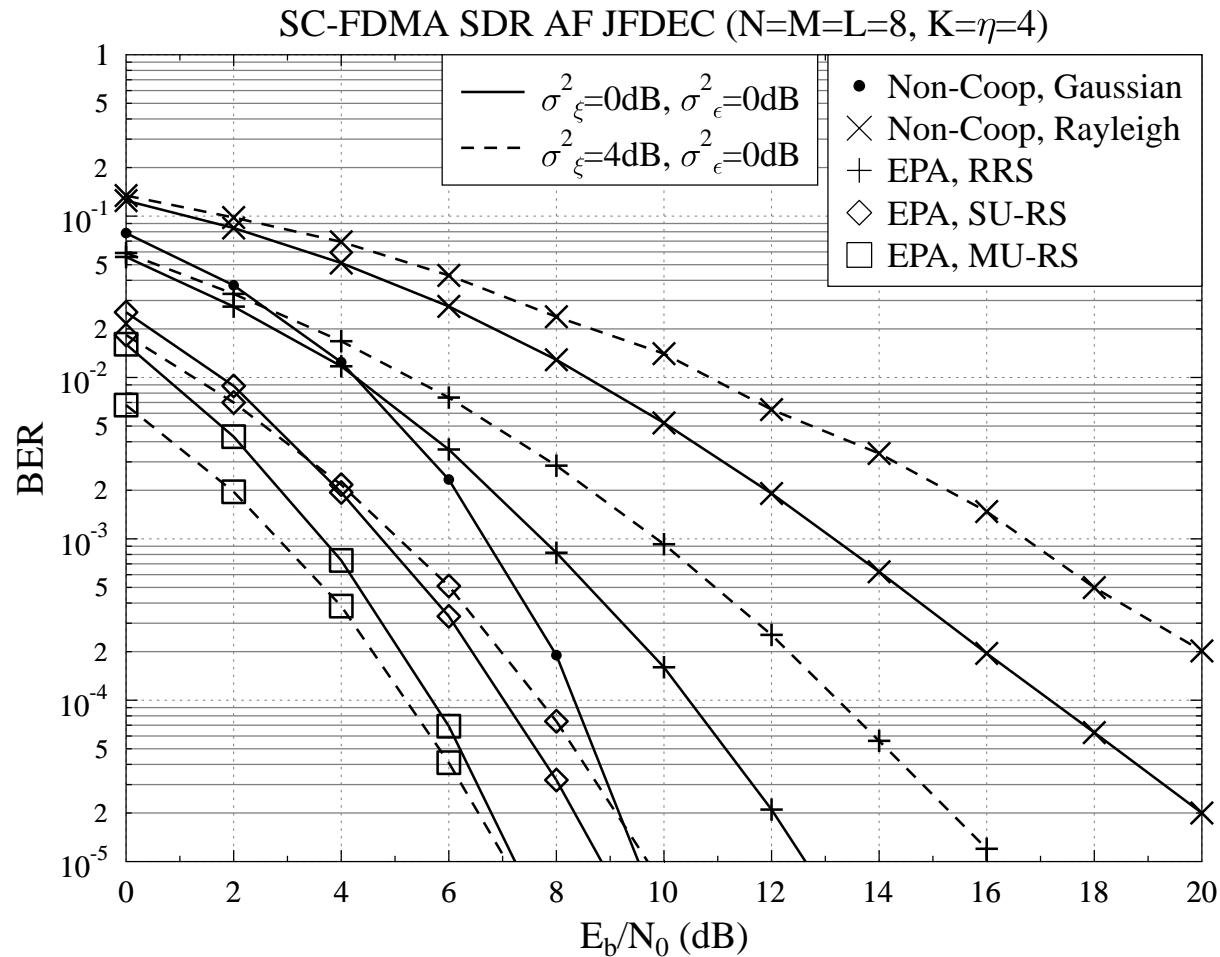
### ❑ Multi-User Relay Selection (MU-RS) for the SDR

- Low number of inactive MTs results in an insufficient number of available RCs
- A cluster of  $K$  source MTs is associated with a cluster of  $J (J \geq K)$  RCs, the system only requires a total of  $K$  relays

$$j_{k,i}^{(opt)} = \arg \max_{j \in [0, J-1], k \in [0, K-1]} \{\gamma_{j,k}\}$$

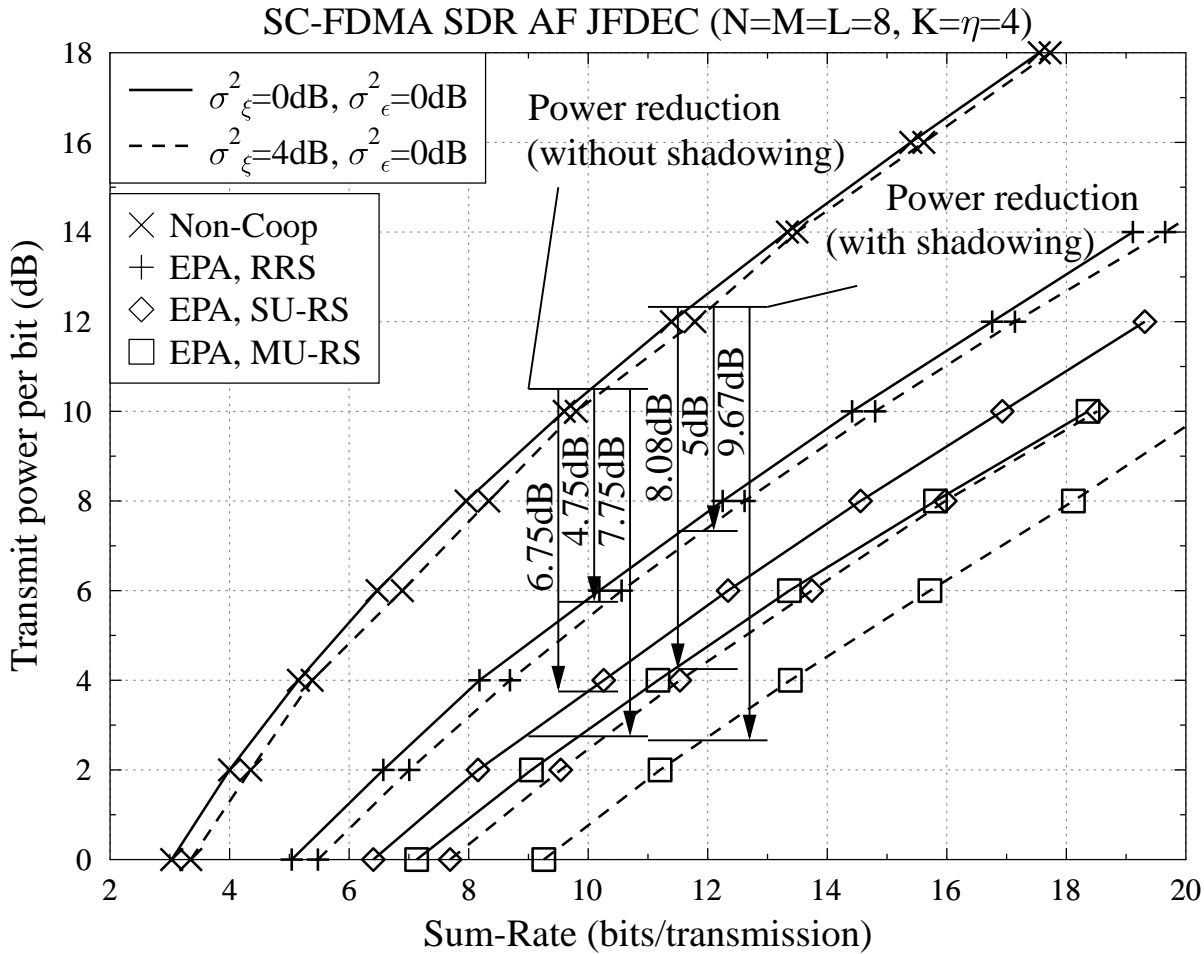
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## Conclusions

- ❑ Cooperative SC-FDMA was studied
  - Proposed diversity-optimised FDE receiver
    - **achieved 4dB power reduction**
  - Relay selection schemes for opportunistic relaying
    - Over fading channels free from shadowing:
      - SU-RS provides 6.8dB power reduction**
      - MU-RS provides 7.8dB power reduction**
    - Over 4dB shadow fading channels:
      - SU-RS provides 8dB power reduction**
      - MU-RS provides 9.7dB power reduction**