

# Upper Bounds of Channel Capacity for Bipolar Transmission Over Gauss-Markov Fading Channel

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## Introduction

- In this thesis, we focus on the capacity for the time-varying Gauss-Markov fading channels.
- We remark on four different definitions of channel capacities according to whether the transmitter and the receiver have or have not the channel state information (CSI).
- As the true capacity formula for blind-CSI in both transmitter and receiver is hard to obtain, we derive its independent upper bound instead, and establish a close-form expression of the independent bound for any memory order  $M$ .
- Discussions are finally given by numerical evaluation of the independent lower bounds of error probability.

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## Capacity definition for memoryless additive channel

- Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots$  denote the input and output sequences of the channel. Denote the noise by  $N_1, N_2, \dots$ . Then, a memoryless additive channel could be defined by:

$$Y_i = X_i + N_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots,$$

where  $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  are independent random variables.

- If  $\{N_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  is assumed to be Gaussian distributed with white power spectral density (PSD), then a memoryless additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) channel is established.

- For discrete input  $X$  and discrete output  $Y$ , the mutual information is written as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I(X; Y) &\triangleq \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} P_{X,Y}(x, y) \cdot \log \left( \frac{P_{X,Y}(x, y)}{P_X(x) \cdot P_Y(y)} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} P_X(x) P_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot \log \left( \frac{P_{Y|X}(y|x)}{\sum_{x' \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x') P_{Y|X}(y|x')} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} P_X(x) P_N(y-x) \cdot \log \left( \frac{P_N(y-x)}{\sum_{x' \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x') P_N(y-x')} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Based on this definition, the capacity-cost function for memoryless additive channel subject to input average power constraint  $E[X^2] \leq S$  is given by:

$$C(S) = \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} I(X; Y).$$

## Capacity for time-invariant flat fading additive channel

- The channel model for time-invariant flat fading additive channel is defined as:

$$Y_i = H \cdot X_i + N_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots$$

where  $H$  is an independent time-invariant random variable.

- The capacity-cost function for time-invariant flat fading channel given  $[H = h]$  is equal to:

$$C_h(S) = \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} P_X(x) P_N(y - hx) \log \frac{P_N(y - hx)}{\sum_{x' \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x') P_N(y - hx')}$$

where  $P_{X|H}$  is replaced by  $P_X$  since  $X$  is independent of  $H$ .

- For continuous channel output alphabet, same derivations can give that:

$$C_h(S) = \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x) \int_{\mathcal{Y}} p_N(y - Hx) \log \frac{p_N(y - Hx)}{\sum_{x' \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x') p_N(y - Hx')} dy$$

- The average signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) is usually given by:

$$\text{SNR} = \frac{E[E[H^2 X^2 | H]]}{E[N^2]} = E[H^2] \frac{E[X^2]}{E[N^2]}.$$

Researchers will sometimes fix  $E[H^2] = 1$ , and varies  $E[N^2]$  to examine the system performance of their coding scheme over such a channel.



## Definition of average capacity $\overline{C(S)}$

- Some researchers focus on the average capacity for fading channel, such as

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{C(S)} &\triangleq \int_{\mathcal{H}} p_H(h) \cdot C_h(S) dh. \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{H}} p_H(h) \cdot \left[ \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} I(X; Y|h) \right] dh.\end{aligned}$$

- The operational meaning of  $\overline{C(S)}$ :
  - It is the underlying limit for a system in which both the transmitter and the receiver have perfect information about the channel state  $H$ .
  - The transmitter and receiver will always employ the best encoder and decoder corresponding to the perfectly estimated  $H = h$  to achieve  $C_h(S)$ .

## Definition of capacity $C(S)$ for time-invariant flat fading additive channel

- In situation where both the transmitter and the receiver are unknown of the channel state, the capacity-cost function should be given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C(S) & \\
 &\triangleq \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} I(X; Y) \\
 &= \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} [h(Y) - h(Y|X)] \\
 &= \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \int_{\mathcal{Y}} p_{X,Y}(x, y) \log \left( \frac{p_{X,Y}(x, y)}{P_X(x) \cdot p_Y(y)} \right) dy \\
 &= \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} \int_{\mathcal{H}} p_H(h) \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \int_{\mathcal{Y}} p_{X,Y|H}(x, y|h) \log \left( \frac{p_{Y|X}(y|x)}{p_Y(y)} \right) dy dh
 \end{aligned}$$

## Remarks on four definitions of channel capacities for time-invariant flat fading additive channel

- If only the receiver knows the channel state, the transmitter cannot vary its encoding rule according the channel state; hence, there can be only one maximization input statistics in the channel capacity formula:

$$C^{(R)}(S) \triangleq \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} \int_{\mathcal{H}} p_H(h) \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x) \int_{\mathcal{Y}} p_{Y|X,H}(y|x,h) \cdot \log \left( \frac{p_{Y|X,H}(y|x,h)}{p_{Y|H}(y|h)} \right) dy dh.$$

- On the other hand, if only the transmitter is aware of the CSI, the capacity formula will become:

$$\overline{C^{(T)}(S)} \triangleq \int_{\mathcal{H}} p_H(h) \max_{\{P_X : E[X^2] \leq S\}} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} P_X(x) \int_{\mathcal{Y}} p_{Y|X,H}(y|x,h) \cdot \log \left( \frac{p_{Y|X}(y|x)}{p_Y(y)} \right) dy dh$$

- The operational characteristics of four definitions of capacities.

Capacity-cost function	TX Knows CSI?	RX Knows CSI?
$C(S)$	No	No
$\overline{C^{(T)}(S)}$	Yes	No
$C^{(R)}(S)$	No	Yes
$\overline{C(S)}$	Yes	Yes

- Comments on four definitions of channel capacities for time-invariant flat fading additive channel:
  - If a perfect estimate of  $H$  is available to the receiver, then the receiver can surely take advantage of  $p_{X,Y|H}$  and  $p_{Y|H}$  at the decoding process.

- If the receiver knows nothing about  $H$ , it can only use the average of  $p_{X,Y|H}$  and  $p_{Y|H}$ , i.e.  $p_{X,Y}$  and  $p_Y$ , in its decoding process.
- If the transmitter has full knowledge of CSI, then the encoding rule can vary according to  $H$ , such that the maximization operation shall be inside the integral with respect  $p_H$ .
- If the transmitter has no control of CSI, then the transmitter can only fix the encoding rule regardless of the CSI; hence, the maximization operation shall be placed outside the integral with respect to  $p_H$ .
- In our research, we assume antipodal transmission with input alphabet  $\{-s, +s\}$  such that the power constraint on the input becomes  $E[X^2] = s^2 \leq S$ :

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## Data Model

- In our system, we assume that binary phase shift keying (BPSK) signaling is transmitted as channel input.

## Channel Model

- A frequency-selective fast fading channel can be modelled by:

$$y_k = \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{h}_k + z_k = \begin{bmatrix} x_k & x_{k-1} & \cdots & x_{k-M+1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} h_{k,1} \\ h_{k,2} \\ \vdots \\ h_{k,M} \end{bmatrix} + z_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, n$$

where  $\mathbf{x}_k$  and  $\mathbf{h}_k$  denote the channel input vector and complex column vector, respectively,  $M$  is the time spread or temporal channel memory, and  $z_k$  is the complex memoryless Gaussian noise at time  $k$  with variance  $E[z_k z_k^*] = \sigma_z^2$ .

- The pdf of the received vector  $\mathbf{y}$  given  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  is equal to:

$$f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{H}) = \frac{1}{(\pi\sigma_z^2)^n} \prod_{k=1}^n \exp\left(-\frac{|y_k - \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{h}_k|^2}{\sigma_z^2}\right).$$



- We focus on the channel capacity at the situation that both the transmitter and the receiver are unaware of (and hence do not need to estimate) the channel state.
- We therefore need to compute  $f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$

$$f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathcal{H}} f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{H}) f(\mathbf{H}) d\mathbf{H}.$$

## The statistics of channel state

- It remains to define  $f(\mathbf{H})$  to establish  $f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$ .
- A frequently used fading statistics is the **Guass-Markov**, which defines the statistics of the fading through a recursive first-order Markovian equation as:

$$\mathbf{h}_k = \alpha \mathbf{h}_{k-1} + \mathbf{v}_k,$$

- $\mathbf{v}_k$  is complex, white, Gaussian distributed with mean  $\mathbf{d}$  and covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C}$ .
- The complex-valued constant  $\alpha$  is a first-order Markov factor usually chosen according to  $|\alpha| = e^{-\omega T}$ , where  $T$  is the system sampling period and  $\omega/\pi$  is the Doppler spread.
- The initial channel coefficient  $\mathbf{h}_0$  is assumed to be perfectly estimated such that  $\mathbf{h}_0$  is treated as a known constant.

- Since  $f(\mathbf{h}_k|\mathbf{h}_{k-1})$  is complex Gaussian distributed with mean  $\alpha\mathbf{h}_{k-1} + \mathbf{d}$  and covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{H}) &= f(\mathbf{h}_1) \prod_{k=2}^n f(\mathbf{h}_k|\mathbf{h}_{k-1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{|\pi\mathbf{C}|^n} \prod_{k=1}^n \exp \left\{ -(\mathbf{h}_k - \alpha\mathbf{h}_{k-1} - \mathbf{d})^H \mathbf{C}^{-1} (\mathbf{h}_k - \alpha\mathbf{h}_{k-1} - \mathbf{d}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

## The channel transition probability of Gauss-Markov fading channel

- As a result,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{(\pi\sigma_z^2)^n |\pi\mathbf{C}|^n} \int_{\mathcal{H}} \prod_{k=1}^n \left[ \exp\left(-\frac{|y_k - \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{h}_k|^2}{\sigma_z^2}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \cdot \exp\left(-(\mathbf{h}_k - \alpha\mathbf{h}_{k-1} - \mathbf{d})^H \mathbf{C}^{-1} (\mathbf{h}_k - \alpha\mathbf{h}_{k-1} - \mathbf{d})\right) \right] d\mathbf{H} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(\pi\sigma_z^2)^n |\pi\mathbf{C}|^n} \left[ \prod_{k=1}^n |\pi\mathbf{G}_k| \exp\left(-\frac{|y_k|^2}{\sigma_z^2}\right) \right] \\
 &\quad \cdot \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} \exp\left[(\mathbf{q}_k - \alpha^* \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{d})^H \mathbf{G}_k (\mathbf{q}_k - \alpha^* \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{d}) - \mathbf{d}^H \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{d}\right] \\
 &\quad \cdot \exp\left[\mathbf{q}_n^H \mathbf{G}_n \mathbf{q}_n - (\alpha\mathbf{h}_0 + \mathbf{d})^H \mathbf{C}^{-1} (\alpha\mathbf{h}_0 + \mathbf{d})\right],
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathbf{G}_k = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_1^* \mathbf{x}_1^T}{\sigma_z^2} + (1 + |\alpha|^2) \mathbf{C}^{-1} \right)^{-1}, & \text{if } k = 1 \\ \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_k^* \mathbf{x}_k^T}{\sigma_z^2} + (1 + |\alpha|^2) \mathbf{C}^{-1} - |\alpha|^2 \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{k-1} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \right)^{-1}, & \text{if } 1 < k < n \\ \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_n^* \mathbf{x}_n^T}{\sigma_z^2} + \mathbf{C}^{-1} - |\alpha|^2 \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{n-1} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \right)^{-1}, & \text{if } k = n \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathbf{q}_k = \begin{cases} \frac{y_1 \mathbf{x}_1^*}{\sigma_z^2} + \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{d} + \alpha \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{h}_0, & \text{if } k = 1 \\ \frac{y_k \mathbf{x}_k^*}{\sigma_z^2} + \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{d} + \alpha \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{k-1} \mathbf{q}_{k-1} - |\alpha|^2 \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{G}_{k-1} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \mathbf{d}, & \text{if } 1 < k \leq n \end{cases}$$

The detail to derive the above result is described in the Appendix.

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## Independent bound

- We focus on the independent bound of the channel capacity without knowing the channel fading both at the transmitter and at the receiver.
- First, assuming that the channel is reset every  $n$  symbols, we obtain:

$$C(S) \triangleq \frac{1}{n} \max_{\{P_{\mathbf{x}} : \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}(E[\mathbf{x}^H \mathbf{x}]) \leq S\}} I(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}),$$

- $\mathbf{x}$  is formerly defined as  $[x_{2-M}, \dots, x_n]^T$ .
- Since  $x_{2-M}, \dots, x_0$  are nothing to do with the information transmission, we will abuse notation  $\mathbf{x}$  as  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$  without ambiguity. Thus, we can equivalently replace  $\mathbf{x}$  by  $X^n$  to result in:

$$C(S) \triangleq \frac{1}{n} \max_{\{P_{X^n} : \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}(\mathbf{\Lambda}_X) \leq S\}} I(X^n; Y^n). \quad (1)$$

– By elementary information theory operation,

$$I(Y^n; X^n) = h(Y^n|X^n) - h(X^n)$$

where  $h(\cdot)$  represents the differential entropy operation.

- Although the close-form expression for  $f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$  is established, it is still hard to evaluate the capacity in (1). However, an upper bound based on the information-theoretical independent bound can be obtained as follows:

$$I(X^n; Y^n) \leq I(X_1; Y_1) + \cdots + I(X_n; Y_n).$$



- We then derive:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \max_{\{P_{\mathbf{X}}: \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i^2] \leq S\}} I(X^n; Y^n) \\
\leq & \max_{\{P_{\mathbf{X}}: \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i^2] \leq S\}} [I(X_1; Y_1) + \cdots + I(X_n; Y_n)] \\
= & \max_{\{P_{\mathbf{X}}: (\forall i) E[X_i^2] \leq S\}} [I(X_1; Y_1) + \cdots + I(X_n; Y_n)] \quad (2) \\
\leq & \max_{\{P_{\mathbf{X}}: (\forall i) E[X_i^2] \leq S\}} I(X_1; Y_1) + \cdots + \max_{\{P_{\mathbf{X}}: (\forall i) E[X_i^2] \leq S\}} I(X_n; Y_n),
\end{aligned}$$

where (2) holds since in our system setting, every  $E[X_i^2]$  is equal to  $s^2$  due to  $x_i \in \{-s, +s\}$  for every  $i$ . Note that  $\sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i^2] = \text{tr}(\mathbf{\Lambda}_X)$ .

- Let  $C_k(S)$  denote the maximal mutual information of  $I(X_k; Y_k)$  under input power constraints  $E[X_k^2] \leq S$ . Then,

$$C(S) \leq \frac{1}{n} [C_1(S) + \cdots + C_n(S)].$$

## Derivation of $f(y_k|\mathbf{x}_k)$ and $f(y_k)$

In order to evaluate the independent bound of channel capacity,  $f(y_k|\mathbf{x}_k)$  and  $f(y_k)$  have to be obtained first.

- First of all, we derive:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f(y_k|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}_1, \dots, \mathbf{h}_n) \\
 \triangleq & \int_{\mathcal{C}} \cdots \int_{\mathcal{C}} f(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}_1, \dots, \mathbf{h}_n) dy_1 \cdots dy_{k-1} dy_{k+1} \cdots dy_n \\
 = & \frac{1}{(\pi\sigma_z^2)^n} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \cdots \int_{\mathcal{C}} \prod_{m=1}^n \exp\left(-\frac{|y_m - \mathbf{x}_m^T \mathbf{h}_m|^2}{\sigma_z^2}\right) dy_1 \cdots dy_{k-1} dy_{k+1} \cdots dy_n \\
 = & \frac{1}{\pi\sigma_z^2} \exp\left(-\frac{|y_k - \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{h}_k|^2}{\sigma_z^2}\right) \\
 = & f(y_k|\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{h}_k),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathcal{C}$  denote the set of all complex numbers.

- Then, we notice that:

$$\begin{aligned}
& f(y_k | \mathbf{x}) \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{C}^M} \cdots \int_{\mathcal{C}^M} f(y_k | \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{h}_n) f(\mathbf{h}_n | \mathbf{h}_{n-1}) \cdots f(\mathbf{h}_2 | \mathbf{h}_1) f(\mathbf{h}_1) d\mathbf{h}_1 \cdots d\mathbf{h}_n \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{C}^M} \cdots \int_{\mathcal{C}^M} f(y_k | \mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{h}_k) f(\mathbf{h}_n | \mathbf{h}_{n-1}) \cdots f(\mathbf{h}_2 | \mathbf{h}_1) f(\mathbf{h}_1) d\mathbf{h}_1 \cdots d\mathbf{h}_n \\
&= \int_{\mathcal{C}^M} f(y_k | \mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{h}_k) f(\mathbf{h}_k) d\mathbf{h}_k \\
&= f(y_k | \mathbf{x}_k) \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{x}_k^*)} \exp \left( -\frac{|y_k - (\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{d}_k)|^2}{\sigma_z^2 + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{x}_k^*} \right),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{D}_k \triangleq \left( \frac{1-|\alpha|^{2k}}{1-|\alpha|^2} \right) \mathbf{C}$  and  $\mathbf{d}_k \triangleq \alpha^k \mathbf{h}_0 + \frac{1-\alpha^k}{1-\alpha} \mathbf{d}$ .

- Accordingly, the probability distribution of  $f(y_k)$  is

$$f(y_k) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathcal{X}^M} P_{\mathbf{X}_k}(\mathbf{x}_k) \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{x}_k^*)} \exp \left( -\frac{|y_k - (\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{d}_k)|^2}{\sigma_z^2 + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{x}_k^*} \right).$$

## Independent bound for $M = 1$

- For  $M = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f(y_k | \mathbf{x}_k) &= \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_k)} \exp \left( -\frac{|y_k - x_k d_k|^2}{\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_k} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_k)} \exp \left( -\frac{|d_k|^2 |y_k/d_k - x_k|^2}{\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_k} \right). \end{aligned}$$

- Since  $I(X_k; Y_k) = I(X_k; \tilde{Y}_k)$  for invertible transformation  $\tilde{Y}_k \triangleq Y_k/d_k$ , we can transform  $f(y_k | x_k)$  to obtain  $f(\tilde{y}_k | x_k)$  as:

$$f(\tilde{y}_k | x_k) = \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_k) / |d_k|^2} \exp \left( -\frac{|\tilde{y}_k - x_k|^2}{(\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_k) / |d_k|^2} \right).$$

- In our system, the transmitted symbol  $x_k$  is assumed antipodally modulated. In other words,  $x_k \in \{-s, +s\}$  for some real  $s$ . We can reduce the complex channel to the real channel as:

$$f(\tilde{y}_{k,r}|x_k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi(\sigma_z^2 + s^2 D_k)/|d_k|^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\tilde{y}_{k,r} - x_k)^2}{(\sigma_z^2 + s^2 D_k)/|d_k|^2}\right),$$

where  $\tilde{y}_{k,r}$  is the real part of  $\tilde{y}_k$ .

- For this real-valued symmetric additive Gaussian channel, its capacity-cost function is achieved by uniform input with  $s^2 = S$ :

$$\begin{aligned} C_k(S) &= I(X_k; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}) \\ &= h(\tilde{Y}_{k,r}) - \sum_{x_k \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(\tilde{y}_{k,r}|x_k) \log \left[ \frac{1}{f(\tilde{y}_{k,r}|x_k)} \right] d\tilde{y}_{k,r} \\ &= h(\tilde{Y}_{k,r}) - \frac{1}{2} \log [2\pi e \sigma_N^2]. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma_N^2 \triangleq (\sigma_z^2 + s^2 D_k)/(2|d_k|^2)$ .

- Now, for uniform channel input,

$$\begin{aligned}
& h(\tilde{Y}_{k,r}) \\
&= - \int_{\Re} f(\tilde{y}_{k,r}) \log(f(\tilde{y}_{k,r})) d\tilde{y}_{k,r} \\
&= \int_{\Re} f(\tilde{y}_{k,r}) \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\tilde{y}_{k,r}^2 + s^2}{2\sigma_N^2} - \log \left( \frac{e^{\tilde{y}_{k,r}s/\sigma_N^2} + e^{-\tilde{y}_{k,r}s/\sigma_N^2}}{2} \right) \right] d\tilde{y}_{k,r} \\
&= \frac{\log(2\pi e\sigma_N^2)}{2} + \frac{s^2}{\sigma_N^2} - \int_{\Re} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_N^2}} e^{-(\tilde{y}_{k,r}-s)^2/2\sigma_N^2} \cdot \log \left( \cosh \left( \frac{\tilde{y}_{k,r}s}{\sigma_N^2} \right) \right) d\tilde{y}_{k,r} \\
&= \frac{\log(2\pi e\sigma_N^2)}{2} + \frac{S}{\sigma_N^2} - \int_{\Re} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} \log \left( \cosh \left( \frac{S}{\sigma_N^2} + t \sqrt{\frac{S}{\sigma_N^2}} \right) \right) dt,
\end{aligned}$$

- It immediately gives that:

$$C_k(S) = \frac{2|d_k|^2 S}{\sigma_z^2 + SD_k} - \int_{\Re} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} \log \left( \cosh \left( \frac{2|d_k|^2 S}{\sigma_z^2 + SD_k} + t \sqrt{\frac{2|d_k|^2 S}{\sigma_z^2 + SD_k}} \right) \right) dt.$$

- By Cesàro-mean theorem , when taking  $n$  to infinity, we have:

$$C(S) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n C_k(S) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n(S) = C_\infty(S),$$

where

$$C_\infty(S) = \frac{2|d_\infty|^2 S}{\sigma_z^2 + SD_\infty} - \int_{\Re} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} \log \left( \cosh \left( \frac{2|d_\infty|^2 S}{\sigma_z^2 + SD_\infty} + t \sqrt{\frac{2|d_\infty|^2 S}{\sigma_z^2 + SD_\infty}} \right) \right) dt,$$

$d_\infty = d/(1 - \alpha)$  and  $D_\infty = C/(1 - |\alpha|^2)$ , provided that  $|\alpha| < 1$ .

- We will demonstrate in the next three figures how channel model parameters affect the independent bound of channel capacity.

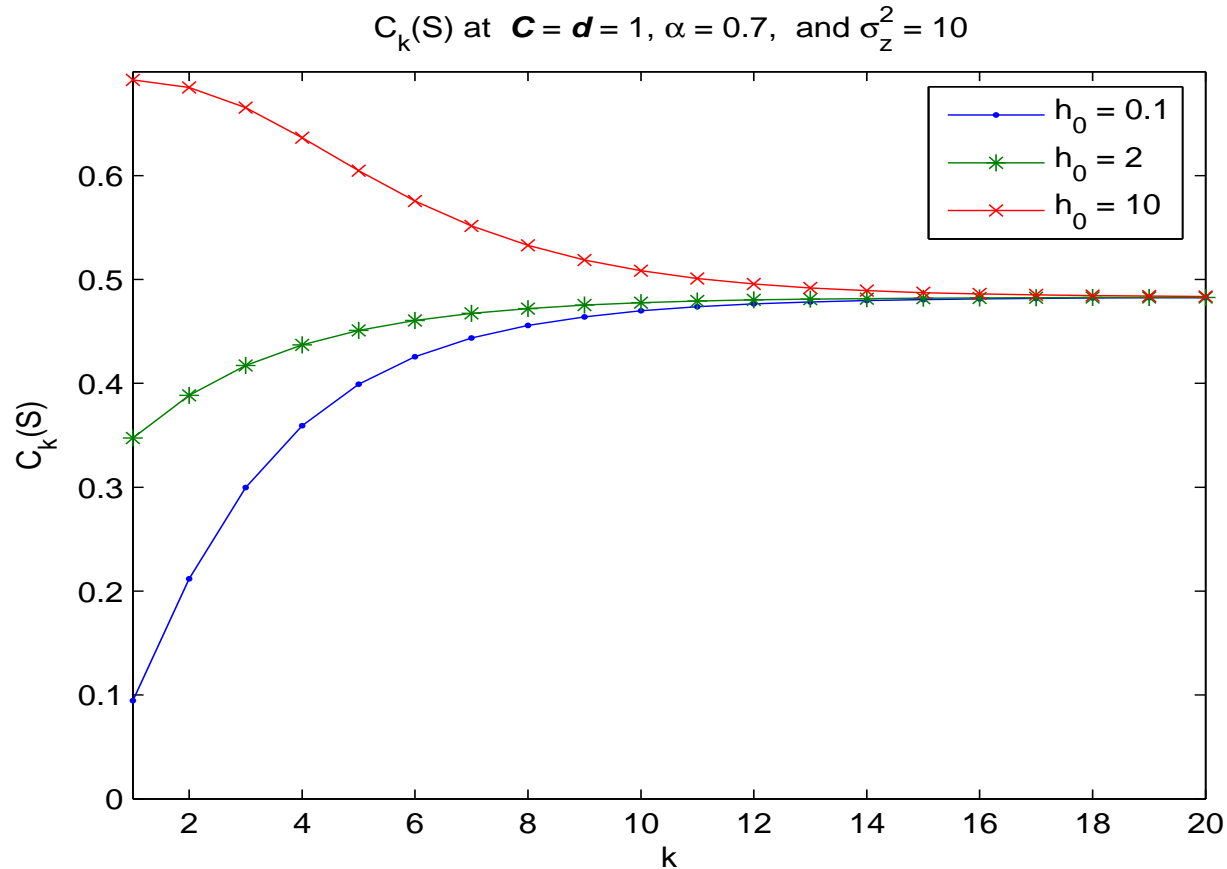


Figure 1: Illustration of  $C_k(S)$  for different initial fading coefficients  $h_0 = 0.1, 2$  and  $10$ . Other parameters for Gauss-Markov channels are  $S = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{C} = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{d} = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 0.7$  and  $\sigma_z^2 = 10$ . Obviously,  $h_0$  affects  $C_k(S)$  only at small  $k$ . As  $k$  grows,  $\mathbf{d}_k$  will be dominated by  $\alpha$  and  $\mathbf{d}_0$ , and  $C_k(S)$  will converge to the same limit  $C_\infty(S)$ .



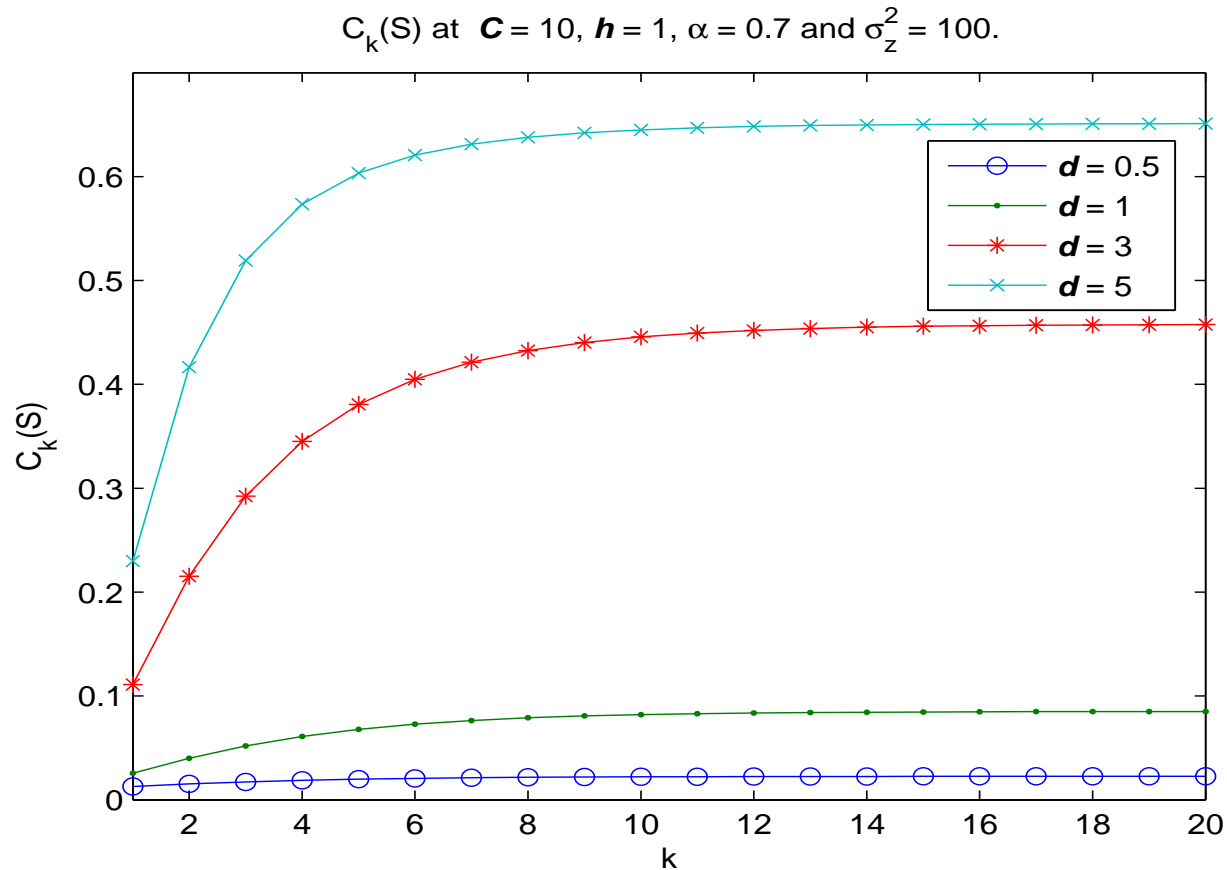


Figure 2: Illustration of  $C_k(S)$  for different initial Gauss-Markov fading mean  $d = 0.5, 1, 3$  and  $5$ . Other parameters for Gauss-Markov channels are  $S = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{C} = 10$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_0 = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 0.7$  and  $\sigma_z^2 = 100$ . The value of  $d$  determines the strength of line-of-sight (LOS) propagated signal, and a stronger  $d$  can result in larger capacity bound  $C_\infty(S)$ .

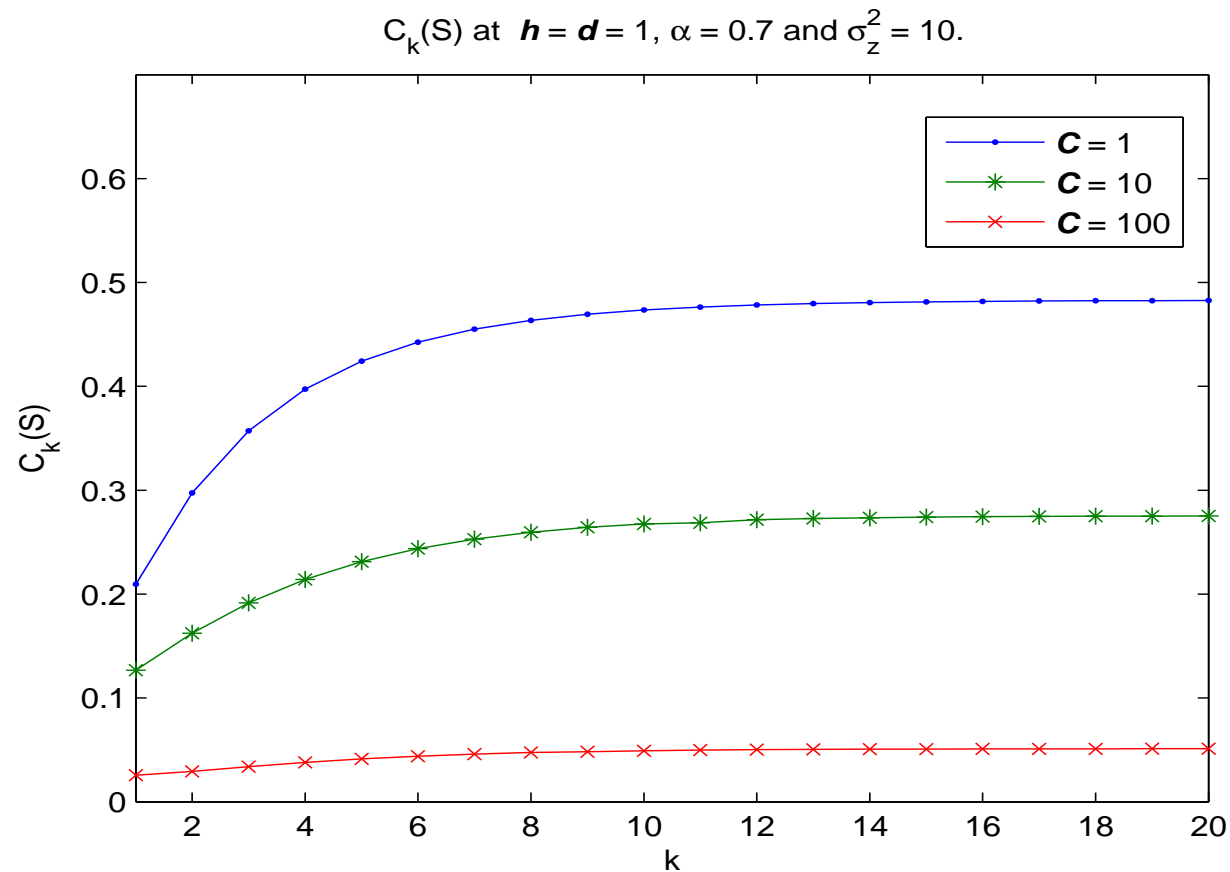


Figure 3: Illustration of  $C_k(S)$  for different initial fading covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C} = 1, 10$  and  $100$ . Other parameters for Gauss-Markov channels are  $S = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{h}_0 = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{d} = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 0.7$  and  $\sigma_z^2 = 10$ . The figure indicates that a larger fading variance  $\mathbf{C}$  makes a lower capacity bound.

- An interesting observation that  $C_\infty(S)$  is equal to zero once  $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{0}$ . This means that the channel capacity  $C(S) = 0$  if there exists no LOS signals in the communications via Gauss-Markov channels.
- The Gauss-Markov channel model can be reduced to the additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN) channel model by letting  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{1}$  and  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{0}$ . As a result,

$$C_\infty^{\text{AWGN}}(S) = C_k^{\text{AWGN}}(S) = \frac{S}{\sigma_z^2/2} - \int_{\Re} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} \log \left( \cosh \left( \frac{S}{\sigma_z^2/2} + t \sqrt{\frac{S}{\sigma_z^2/2}} \right) \right) dt.$$

Notably, this is no longer an upper bound, but the **exact channel capacity formula** for binary-input AWGN channels.

## Independent bound for $M = 2$

- At  $M = 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_k(S) &= \max_{\{P_{\mathbf{X}} : (\forall i) E[X_i^2] \leq S\}} I(X_k; Y_k) \\
 &= \max_{\{P_{X_{k-1}^k} : E[X_k]^2 \leq S \text{ and } E[X_{k-1}^2] \leq S\}} I(X_k; Y_k).
 \end{aligned}$$

It is in general hard to find  $C_k(S)$  for the case of  $M > 1$ . Hence, we made an assumption on the channel statistics below.

- **Assumption 1**  $d_{k,1} = \rho_1 d_k$  and  $d_{k,2} = \rho_2 d_k$  for some real numbers  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ , where  $\mathbf{d}_k = \begin{bmatrix} d_{k,1} & d_{k,2} \end{bmatrix}$ . Also,  $\mathbf{C}$  is diagonal; hence, there exists  $D_{k,1}$  and  $D_{k,2}$  such that

$$\mathbf{D}_k = \begin{bmatrix} D_{k,1} & 0 \\ 0 & D_{k,2} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1 - |\alpha|^{2k}}{1 - |\alpha|^2} \begin{bmatrix} C_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & C_{22} \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Recall that

$$\begin{aligned}
& f(y_k | \mathbf{x}_k) \\
& \triangleq \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{x}_k^*)} \exp \left( -\frac{|y_k - (\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{d}_k)|^2}{\sigma_z^2 + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{D}_k \mathbf{x}_k^*} \right) \\
& = \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_{k,1} + |x_{k-1}|^2 D_{k,2})} \exp \left( -\frac{|y_k - x_k d_{k,1} - x_{k-1} d_{k,2}|^2}{\sigma_z^2 + |x_k|^2 D_{k,1} + |x_{k-1}|^2 D_{k,2}} \right) \\
& = \frac{1}{\pi (\sigma_z^2 + s^2 D_{k,1} + s^2 D_{k,2})} \exp \left( -\frac{|y_k/d_k - (\rho_1 x_k + \rho_2 x_{k-1})|^2}{(\sigma_z^2 + s^2 D_{k,1} + s^2 D_{k,2})/|d_k|^2} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

- Then, by letting  $\tilde{y}_k = y_k/d_k$ , we obtain:

$$f(\tilde{y}_k | x_k, x_{k-1}) = \frac{1}{\pi \sigma^2} \exp \left( -\frac{|\tilde{y}_k - (\rho_1 x_k + \rho_2 x_{k-1})|^2}{\sigma^2} \right),$$

where  $\sigma^2 \triangleq (\sigma_z^2 + s^2 D_{k,1} + s^2 D_{k,2})/|d_k|^2$ .

- By following the same reasoning as in the case of  $M = 1$ ,

$$I(X_k; Y_k) = I(X_k; \tilde{Y}_k) = I(X_k; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}),$$

where  $\tilde{Y}_k = \tilde{Y}_{k,r} + j\tilde{Y}_{k,i}$ .

- Then, we derive:

$$I(X_k; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}) = \frac{\sum_{x_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{x_k \in \mathcal{X}} \int_{\mathcal{R}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k, x_{k-1}) f(\tilde{y}_{k,r} | x_k, x_{k-1}) \cdot \sum_{\bar{x}_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k, \bar{x}_{k-1}) f(\tilde{y}_{k,r} | x_k, \bar{x}_{k-1})}{\log \left( \frac{\sum_{\hat{x}_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k, \hat{x}_{k-1})}{\sum_{x'_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{x'_k \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x'_k, x'_{k-1}) f(\tilde{y}_{k,r} | x'_k, x'_{k-1})} \right)} d\tilde{y}_{k,r};$$

- By taking the derivative of

$$I(X_k; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}) + \lambda \left( \sum_{x_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{x_k \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k, x_{k-1}) - 1 \right)$$

with respect to  $P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k'', x_{k-1}'')$ , we obtain:

$$\frac{\partial \left[ I(X_k; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}) + \lambda \left( \sum_{x_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{x_k \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k, x_{k-1}) - 1 \right) \right]}{\partial P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k'', x_{k-1}'')} \\ = I(x_k'', x_{k-1}''; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}) - 1 + \lambda,$$

where

$$I(x_k'', x_{k-1}''; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}) \triangleq \int_{\mathfrak{R}} f(\tilde{y}_{k,r} | x_k'', x_{k-1}'') \\ \times \log \frac{\sum_{\bar{x}_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k'', \bar{x}_{k-1}) f(\tilde{y}_{k,r} | x_k'', \bar{x}_{k-1})}{\left( \sum_{\hat{x}_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k'', \hat{x}_{k-1}) \right) \left( \sum_{x'_{k-1} \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{x'_k \in \mathcal{X}} P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x'_k, x'_{k-1}) f(\tilde{y}_{k,r} | x'_k, x'_{k-1}) \right)} d\tilde{y}_{k,r}$$

- Hence, the maximum capacity occurs at:

$$I(x_k, x_{k-1}; \tilde{Y}_{k,r}) \begin{cases} = C_k(S), & \text{if } P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k, x_{k-1}) > 0 \\ \leq C_k(S), & \text{if } P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k, x_{k-1}) = 0. \end{cases}$$

- Numerically evaluation shows that for positive  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ , the largest  $C_k(S)$  occurs at  $p_{1,1} = p_{-1,-1} = 1/2$  and  $p_{1,-1} = p_{-1,1} = 0$ , in which case

$$C_k(S) \begin{cases} = I_k(1, 1) = I_k(-1, -1) \\ \geq I_k(1, -1) \\ \geq I_k(-1, 1), \end{cases}$$

where  $p_{a,b}$  denotes  $P_{X_k, X_{k-1}}(x_k = as, x_{k-1} = bs)$ .



- An interpretation of the numerical result is that all of the four possible inputs for  $(x_k, x_{k-1})$  share the same power, and  $f(y_k | x_k, x_{k-1})$  for different  $(x_k, x_{k-1})$  has common variance but is with aligned means (cf. Fig. 4); hence, it is advantageous to use the two inputs that are farthest to each other.
- For general  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ , the “two inputs” become  $(s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_1), s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_2))$  and  $(-s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_1), -s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_2))$ , where  $\text{sgn}(\cdot)$  represents the sign function.

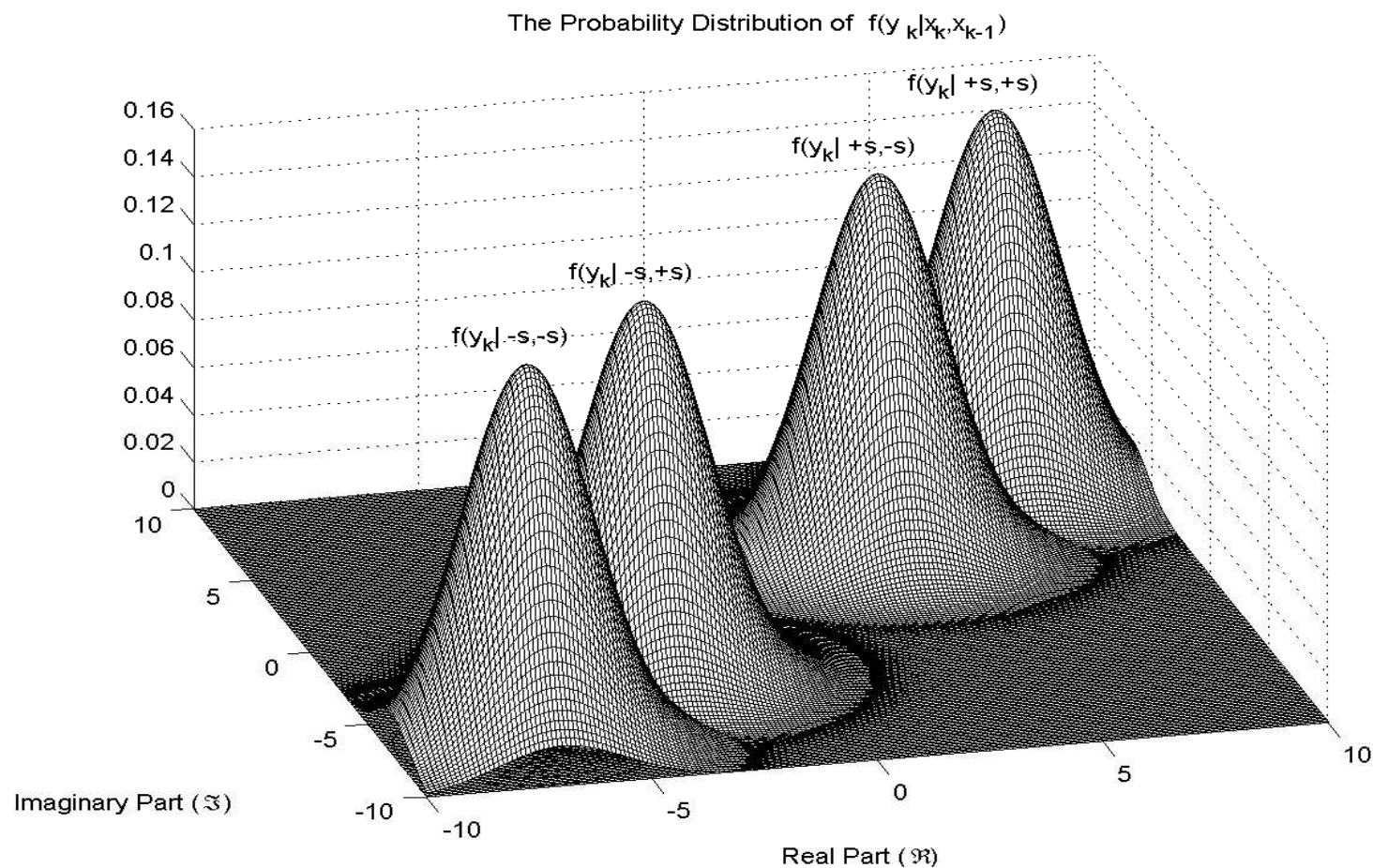


Figure 4:  $f(y_k|x_k, x_{k-1})$  for four different  $(x_k, x_{k-1})$ . The parameters used in this figure are  $s = 1$ ,  $d_{k,1} = 5.25 + j5.25$ ,  $d_{k,2} = 1.75 + j1.75$  and  $D_{k,1} + D_{k,2} + \sigma_z^2 = 2$ .

- In summary, for  $d_{k,1} = \rho_1 d_k$  and  $d_{k,2} = \rho_2 d_k$ , the equivalent real channel of the original complex channel is  $f(\tilde{y}_{k,r} | x_k, x_{k-1})$ , which is Gaussian distributed with mean  $\sum_{i=1}^M \rho_i x_{k-i+1}$  and variance  $(1/2)\sigma^2 = (\sigma_z^2 + S \sum_{i=1}^M D_{k,i}) / (2|d_k|^2)$ . The equal probability on  $(x_k, x_{k-1}) = (s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_1), s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_2))$  and  $(x_k, x_{k-1}) = (-s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_1), -s \cdot \text{sgn}(\rho_2))$  maximizes  $I(X_k, \tilde{Y}_{k,r})$ , and

$$C_k(S) = \frac{2S}{\sigma^2/\rho^2} - \int_{\mathfrak{R}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} \left[ \log \left( \cosh \left( \frac{\sqrt{2S}}{\sigma/\rho} t + \frac{2S}{\sigma^2/\rho^2} \right) \right) \right] dt,$$

where  $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^M |\rho_i|$ , and

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{\rho^2} = \frac{\sigma_z^2 + S \sum_{i=1}^M D_{k,i}}{\left( \sum_{i=1}^M |d_{k,i}| \right)^2}.$$

- Finally, by replacing

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{\rho^2} = \frac{\sigma_z^2 + \frac{S}{1-|\alpha|^2} \sum_{i=1}^M C_{i,i}}{\left( \frac{1}{|1-\alpha|} \sum_{i=1}^M |d_i| \right)^2},$$

where  $\mathbf{C}$  is diagonal with diagonal elements  $\{C_{i,i}\}_{i=1}^M$  and

$\mathbf{d} = [d_1 \ d_2 \ \cdots \ d_M]^T$ , we yield  $C_\infty(S)$  for the case of  $M = 2$ .

## Independent bound for general $M$

- Theorem 1** *Let  $M$  be the true memory order of the channel. Assume that there exists a complex number  $d_k$  such that  $d_{k,i} = \rho_i d_k$  for some real number  $\rho_i$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq M$ , where  $\mathbf{d}_k = [d_{k,1} \ d_{k,2} \ \cdots \ d_{k,M}]$ . Also,  $\mathbf{C}$  is diagonal. Then, the component independent bound  $C_k(S)$  is given by:*

$$C_k(S) = \frac{2S}{\delta^2} - \int_{\Re} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} \left[ \log \left( \cosh \left( \frac{\sqrt{2S}}{|\delta|} t + \frac{2S}{\delta^2} \right) \right) \right] dt,$$

where

$$\delta^2 = \frac{\sigma_z^2 + S \sum_{i=1}^M D_{k,i}}{\left( \sum_{i=1}^M |d_{k,i}| \right)^2}.$$

- Furthermore, the ultimate independent bound  $C_\infty(S)$  has the same form as (1) with

$$\delta^2 = \frac{\sigma_z^2 + \frac{S}{1-|\alpha|^2} \sum_{i=1}^M C_{i,i}}{\left( \frac{1}{|1-\alpha|} \sum_{i=1}^M |d_i| \right)^2}.$$

- Figures 5 and 6 show the independent bounds  $C_\infty(S)$  for Gauss-Markov channels of different memory orders.

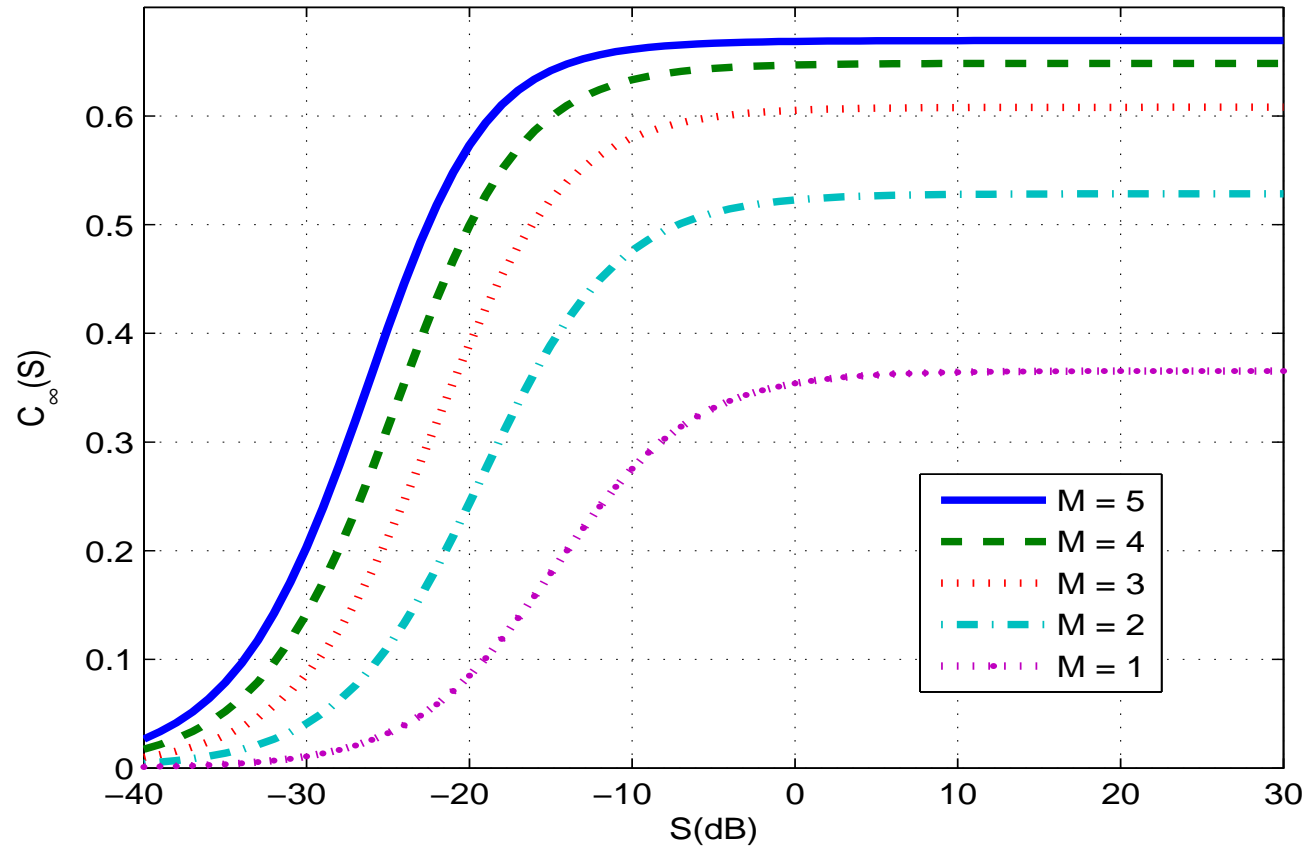


Figure 5: Illustration of  $C_\infty(S)$ . Other parameters for Gauss-Markov channels are  $C_{1,1} = C_{2,2} = C_{3,3} = C_{4,4} = C_{5,5} = 10$ ,  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = d_4 = d_5 = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 0.7$  and  $\sigma_z^2 = 1$ .

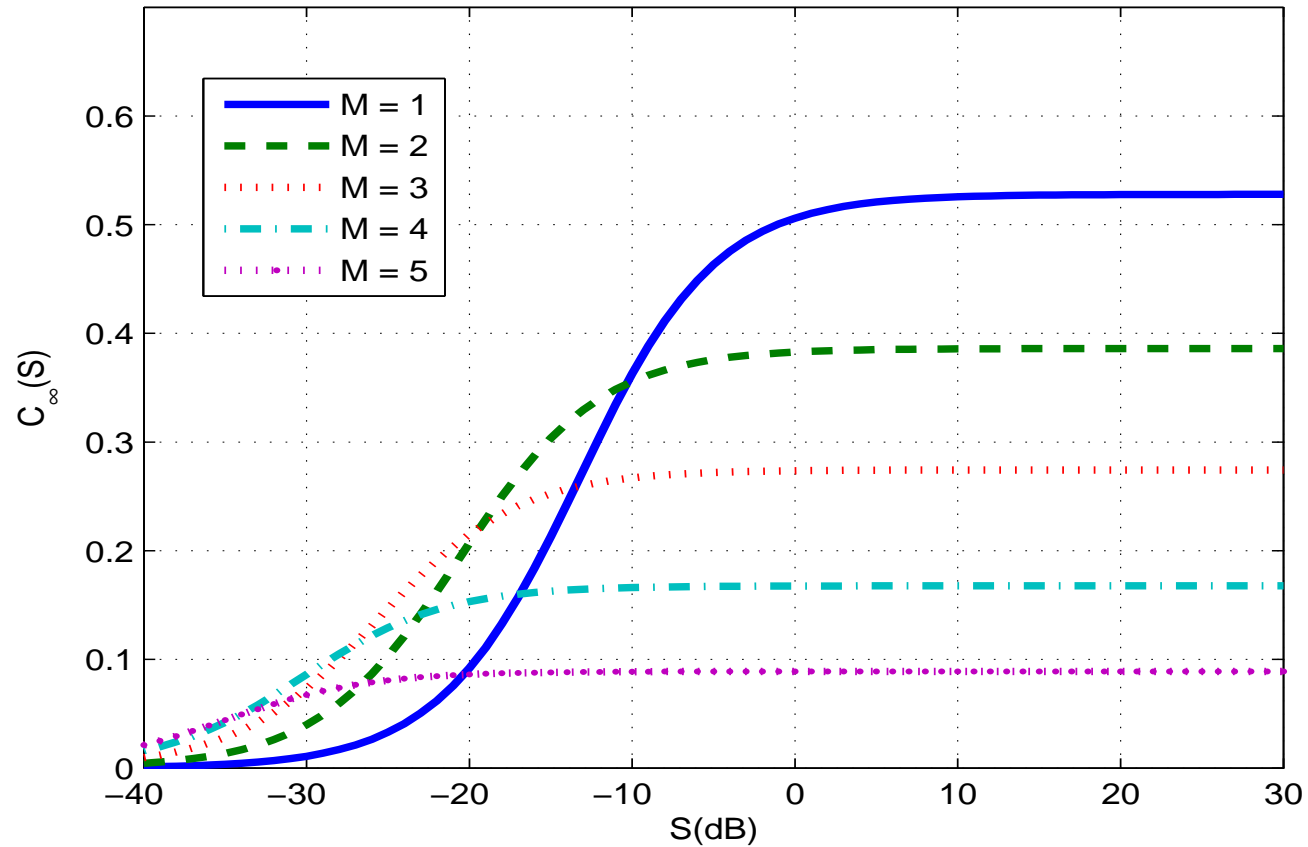


Figure 6: Illustration of  $C_\infty(S)$ . Other parameters for Gauss-Markov channels are  $C_{1,1} = 10^{0.7}$ ,  $C_{2,2} = 10^{1.5}$ ,  $C_{3,3} = 10^2$ ,  $C_{4,4} = 10^{2.5}$ ,  $C_{5,5} = 10^3$ ,  $d_1 = d_2 = d_3 = d_4 = d_5 = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 0.7$  and  $\sigma_z^2 = 1$ .



- Figure 5: For fixed  $C_{i,i}$  (and  $d_i$ ), the higher the channel memory order, the more involved in received vector  $\mathbf{y}$  at the receiver end. Thus, it is reasonable to expect a lower capacity for larger  $M$ ; based on this “intuitive conjecture”, the independent bound could be looser for higher  $M$ .
- Figure 6: Since  $C_{i,i}$  gets larger as  $i$  increases, the influence to the current output  $y_k$  by the distant input  $x_{k-M+1}$  grows. Following the intuition, the independent bounds decrease as  $M$  increases for SNR beyond  $-10$  dB. Nevertheless, when SNR is below  $-10$  dB, the independent bounds become messy in channel memory order  $M$ .

## The lower bound of bit error probability

- The bit error rate ( $P_b$ ) (for information bits) is used as the typical performance measure in practical communication system. By means of the rate-distortion function, we can obtain a lower bound of this typical performance measure.
- First, we need to derive the average  $E_b/N_0$  for the Gauss-Markov fading channel at channel code rate  $R$ . The average SNR is equal to:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{SNR} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n E[|\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{h}_k|^2]}{\sum_{i=1}^n E[z_k^2]} \\ &= \frac{S}{\sigma_z^2} \left( \frac{1}{|1 - \alpha|^2} \mathbf{d}^H \mathbf{d} + \frac{1}{1 - |\alpha|^2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{C}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\gamma_b \triangleq \frac{E_b}{N_0} = \frac{\overline{SNR}}{R} = \frac{1}{R} \frac{S}{\sigma_z^2} \left( \frac{1}{|1 - \alpha|^2} \mathbf{d}^H \mathbf{d} + \frac{1}{1 - |\alpha|^2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{C}) \right).$$

- The rate distortion for binary input and Hamming additive distortion measure is

$$R(D) = \begin{cases} \log(2) - H_b(D), & \text{for } 0 \leq D \leq 0.5 \\ 0, & \text{for } D > 0.5 \end{cases}$$

- According to the joint source-channel coding theorem, good codes exists when

$$R(P_b) < \frac{C(S)}{R}.$$

- Therefore, we obtain a lower bound for  $P_b$  as:

$$H_b(P_b) > \log(2) - \frac{1}{R}C_\infty(S).$$

The lower bounds of bit error rate  $P_b$  corresponding to those in Figs. 5 and 6 are summarized in Figs. 7 and 8.

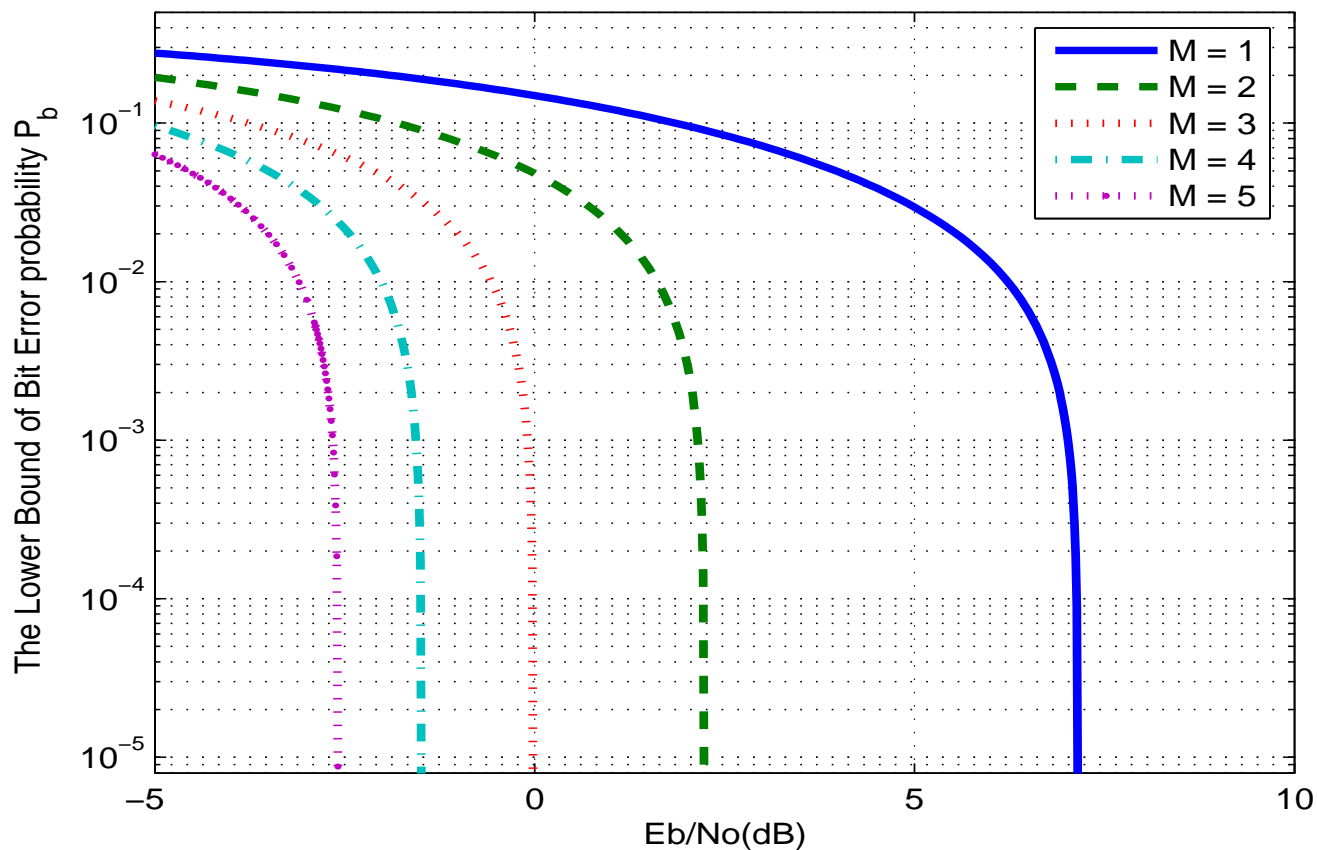


Figure 7: Illustration of lower bounds for  $P_b$ . The code rate adopted is  $R = 1/3$ . Other parameters used in this figure are the same as those in Fig. 5.

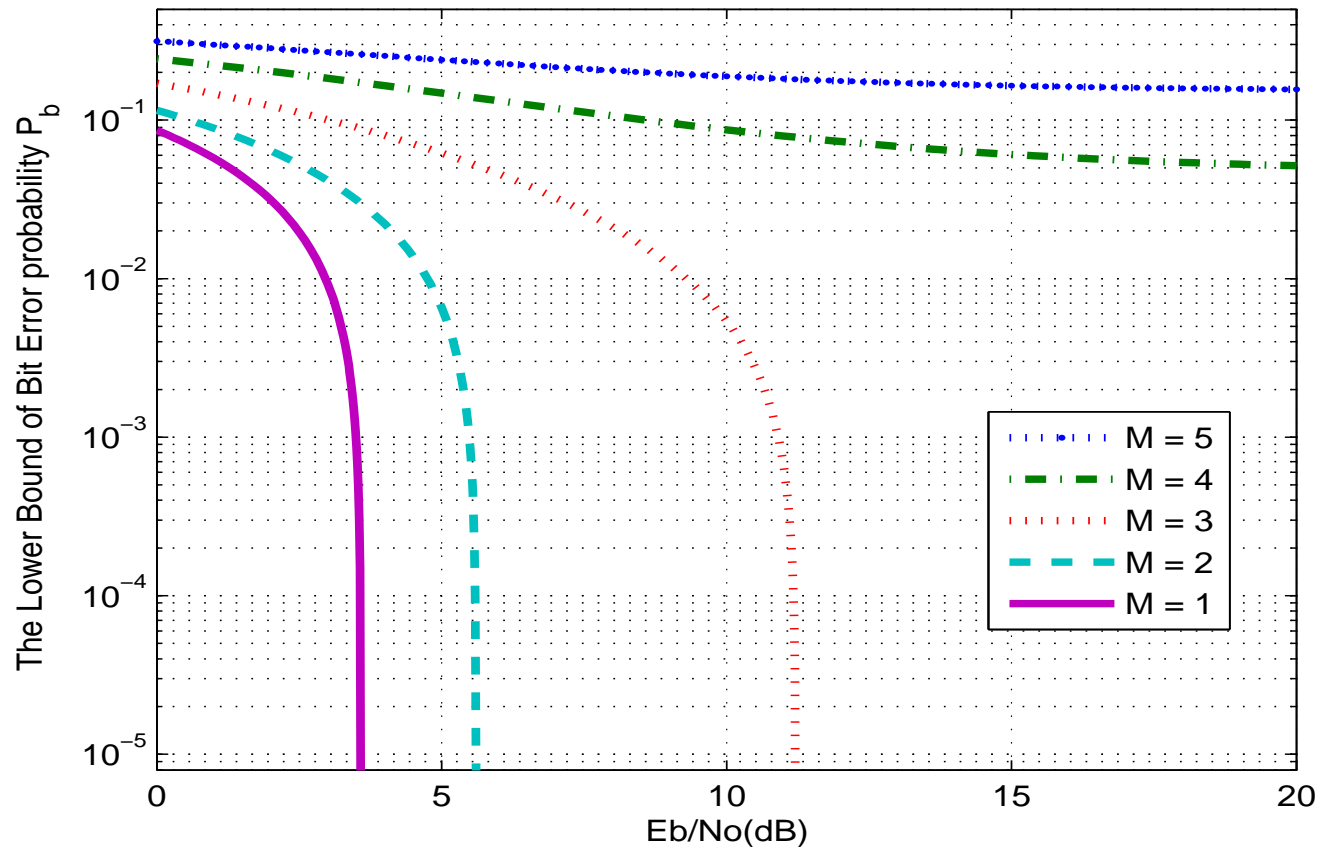


Figure 8: Illustration of lower bounds for  $P_b$ . The code rate adopted is  $R = 1/3$ . Other parameters used in this figure are the same as those in Fig. 6.

## Conclusion

- In this thesis, we have remarked on four different definitions of channel capacities according to the transmitter/receiver with/without channel state information.
- We then turn to the derivation of the independent bounds for the channel capacity without CSI in both transmitter and receiver.
- We then found that if there is no LOS signal existing, the capacity of the blind-CSI system is reduced to zero.