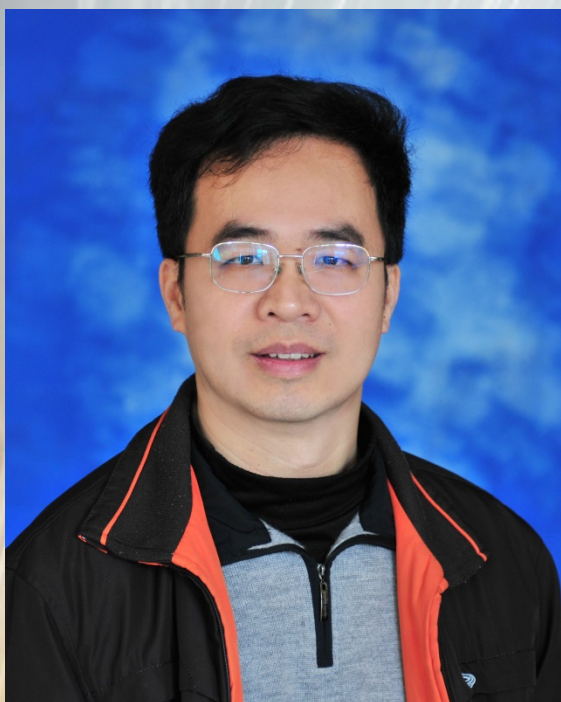

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Design and Implementation of Multiple-Input Multiple-Output Systems - From MIMO to massive MIMO

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Abstract

Spatial-multiplexing multiple-input multiple-output (MIMO) system has become a major technique to increase the information capacity of modern communication systems. For the design and implementation of MIMO systems, many researchers in the literature have designed 4x4 MIMO detector chips with up to several Gbps throughput by improving the algorithm, architecture, or IC process. However, as the number of antenna arrays further increases (8x8, or massive MIMO), MIMO detector designers must face many challenging issues, such as cubic growth of decoding complexity $O(N^3)$, huge power consumption of RF chains, MIMO channel correlation, antenna interference, etc.

This talk will first present the fundamentals of the design of MIMO detectors including linear and nonlinear MIMO detection algorithms and their architectures. To investigate the design issues for massive MIMO detector, the second part of the talk will further present an 8x8 MIMO detector based on lattice reduction preprocessing technique. The lattice reduction technique searches for a unimodular matrix T that transforms the MIMO channel to a more orthogonal channel matrix so that the channel interference between antennas can be greatly reduced, especially for a correlation MIMO channel. The third part of the talk will introduce several new techniques that have recently been proposed for massive MIMO systems. The systematic research usually defines massive MIMO as a MIMO system with up to hundreds of antenna. The large number of antennas leads to several critical design issues for MIMO detectors, including employment of the large-sized antenna arrays, huge power consumption of RF chains, and the high-complexity MIMO detection in the baseband processing. This part will introduce several techniques that tries to address these design issues, such as spatially-modulated multiple-input multiple-output (SM-MIMO), hybrid RF/baseband MIMO precoding (beamforming), and 2D antenna arrays. This part will also summarize several potential research problems for the design and implementation of future massive MIMO systems. Finally, a conclusion will be given.