

Let the data of the three users at time n , ($1 \leq n < \infty$) be (X_n, Y_n, Z_n) , which are statistically independent drawings of the dependent vector (X, Y, Z) . Let R_x, R_y , and R_z be the rates of transmission up to the satellite by the three users, and let T_0 be the rate of transmission down from the satellite. We show that for data blocks of size N , where N is large, the set of rates (R_x, R_y, R_z, R_0) which satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} R_x &> H(X|Y, Z), \quad R_y > H(Y|X, Z), \quad R_z > H(Z, X, Y), \\ R_x + R_y &> H(X, Y|Z), \quad R_y + R_z > H(Y, Z|X), \quad R_x + R_z > H(X, Z|Y), \\ R_0 &> \max[H(X, Y|Z), H(X, Z|Y), H(Y, Z|X)]. \end{aligned}$$

is necessary and sufficient for the purpose outlined above.

Some Matching Results in Multi-User Communication

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We derive necessary and sufficient conditions for the reliable transmission of a two-component correlated source over a multi-user channel in two situations. First, matching conditions are derived for sending an arbitrarily correlated two-component source with arbitrarily small probability of error over a capability-degraded broadcast channel (BC). A discrete memoryless BC $\{X, P(y, z|x), Y \times X\}$ is said to be capability-degraded if $I(X; Z) \leq I(X; Y)$ for all probability distributions $P(x)$ on X . These matching conditions are stated in a computable form. Secondly, we show that the sufficient conditions, obtained by Cover, El Gamal, and Salehi (1980) for reliable transmission of a two-component correlated source over a discrete memoryless multiple-access channel (MAC), are also necessary, if the source (S, T) satisfies the condition that S and T are conditionally independent given their common part K . The matching conditions obtained this way include several previously known cases for which necessary and sufficient conditions were found for sending a correlated source reliably over a MAC.

Suboptimal Link Scheduling in a Network of Directed Transceivers

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The problem of scheduling data transfers in a network (V, E) of transceivers, where preemption of transfers is allowed and transmissions are directed, has been studied by Choi and Hakimi among others. In the network each node v has $b(v)$ transceivers, each link e can have at most $c(e)$ simultaneously communicating pairs of transceivers, and L_s is the size of the smallest odd cycle of (V, E) (hence, $L_s \geq 3$). Choi and Hakimi provided sub-optimal scheduling algorithms that have time complexity $O(|E|^2 \sum_{v \in V} b(v))$ and produce schedules of length at most $[1 + \frac{1}{L_s - 1}] \tau$ where τ is the length of the optimal schedule. For the case when $c([u, v]) \in \{0, 1\}$ (resp., $c([u, v]) \in \{0, \min\{b(v), b(v)\}\}$) for all links $[u, v]$, we provide an $O(|E|^2 |V|)$ (resp., $O(|E| |V|^3)$) time algorithm that produces a schedule with length at most

$$\{1 + 2[(L_s + 1) \min_{v \in V} b(v) + L_s - 3]^{-1}\} \tau \quad (\text{resp., } \{1 + [L_s \min_{v \in V} b(v) - I[\min_{v \in V} b(v) \text{ is odd}]]^{-1}\} \tau).$$

For the case when $c(e) \in \{0, 1\}$ for all links e , the scheduling algorithm can be modified to output the schedule in certain useful representations and have smaller time complexities ($O(|E||V|^2)$ or $O(|E|^2)$ depending on the representation).