

# II.5 Parallel Gaussian Channels













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4. The capacity of the system of parallel Gaussian channels is equal to the sum of the capacities of the individual Gaussian channels with the input power optimally allocated.

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5. Thus we have obtained nonnegative  $\mu$  and  $\mu_i$  satisfying the KKT condition.