

# Design of THz-NOMA in the Presence of Beam Misalignment

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**Abstract**—In this letter, the application of non-orthogonal multiple access (NOMA) to Terahertz (THz) transmission is proposed in order to mitigate the harmful effect of beam alignment errors. In particular, two types of cognitive ratio inspired NOMA (CR-NOMA) schemes are developed to realize different tradeoffs between system performance and user fairness. Both analytical and simulation results are presented to demonstrate the superior performance gain of THz-NOMA over conventional orthogonal multiple access based THz transmission.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Because of the severe congestion in the sub-6 GHz bands, using the Terahertz (THz) band has been envisioned as a promising solution to support emerging applications requiring super-fast broadband speeds and ultra-low latencies, such as immersive virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) [1], [2]. However, THz transmission suffers inevitable beam misalignment errors, which are due to the fact that THz transceivers are expected to be equipped with highly directional antenna arrays and the narrow beams generated by these arrays make beam alignment and tracking very challenging [3], [4]. As shown in [5], the presence of beam misalignment can significantly reduce the performance of THz communications.

This letter investigates how to use non-orthogonal multiple access (NOMA) to improve the performance of THz communications in the presence of beam misalignment, which has not been investigated in existing THz-NOMA works [6], [7]. The key observation is that a user who suffers from beam misalignment has a very weak effective channel gain, and hence it is spectrally inefficient to allow this user to solely occupy a bandwidth resource block. Instead, the concept of cognitive radio inspired NOMA (CR-NOMA) can be applied, i.e., the user with beam misalignment is treated as a primary user and additional secondary users are admitted to share the spectrum with the primary user [8]. Analytical results are developed to show that the use of conventional CR-NOMA can yield a moderate gain in system throughput over orthogonal multiple access (OMA) based THz transmission; however, the obtained performance gain is greatly dependent on the primary user's channel condition. To further improve the system performance, a modified CR-NOMA scheme is developed to ensure that the use of NOMA can yield a significant performance gain over OMA-THz, while still guaranteeing the primary user's quality of service (QoS) requirement.

## II. SYSTEM MODEL

Consider a THz multi-user network, where one base station employs a directional antenna array and communicates with a primary user, denoted by  $U_0$ . In particular, the sectorized antenna model is used [5], i.e., within 3 dB beam-width, the

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main-lobe beam formed by the base station covers a wedge-shaped sector, denoted by  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$ , with its sector angle denoted by  $\theta$  and its radius denoted by  $\mathcal{R}$ , where the antenna gain for a user located in the main-lobe beam is denoted by  $G$ .

This letter considers the use of NOMA to connect additional secondary users in  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$  while guaranteeing  $U_0$ 's QoS requirements. In particular, we assume that these secondary users are randomly deployed following a homogeneous Poisson point process (HPPP) with density  $\lambda$  [9]. Denote the secondary users located in  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$  by  $U_k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq K$ , and denote the number of the secondary users in  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$  by  $K$ . Unlike the secondary users, the location of the primary user,  $U_0$ , is assumed to be fixed.

### A. THz Channel Model

Each user receives the following signal [3]–[5]:

$$y_k = \sqrt{h_k^{\text{PL}} G h_k^{\text{ML}}} g_k x + n_k, \quad 0 \leq k \leq K, \quad (1)$$

where  $x$  denotes the signal sent by the base station,  $h_k^{\text{PL}}$  denotes the effects of both path loss and molecular absorption, i.e.,  $h_k^{\text{PL}} = \left(\frac{c}{4\pi f_c}\right)^2 \frac{e^{-\zeta r_k}}{r_k^\alpha + 1}$ ,  $r_k$  denotes the distance between the base station and  $U_k$ ,  $c$  denotes the light speed,  $f_c$  is the carrier frequency,  $\alpha$  denotes the path loss exponent,  $\zeta$  denotes the molecular absorption coefficient,  $g_k$  denotes the small scale Rayleigh fading,  $n_k$  denotes additive white Gaussian noise, and  $h_k^{\text{ML}}$  denotes the beam misalignment error. The following truncated Gaussian model is used in this letter to model the beam misalignment error: [5]

$$h_0^{\text{ML}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{w.p. } (1 - p_e) \\ \xi & \text{w.p. } p_e \end{cases}, \quad (2)$$

where  $\xi$  denotes the sidelobe to mainlobe ratio,  $p_e$  denotes the misalignment probability

$$p_e = 1 - \frac{1 - 2Q\left(\frac{\theta}{\sqrt{2}\sigma^2}\right)}{1 - 2Q\left(\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}\sigma^2}\right)}, \quad (3)$$

$Q(\cdot)$  denotes the Q-function, and  $\sigma$  denotes the corresponding error variance. It is assumed that the secondary users do not suffer from this misalignment error, i.e.,  $h_k^{\text{ML}} = 1$ , for  $1 \leq k \leq K$ , as only the secondary users free from the misalignment error are invited to participate in the NOMA cooperation.

In addition to the aforementioned propagation effects, THz transmission also suffers from blockage, whose probability can be modelled as follows: [5]

$$p_b(r_k) = e^{-\phi r_k}, \quad 1 \leq k \leq K, \quad (4)$$

where  $\phi$  denotes the effective blockage density. In this letter, it is assumed that the primary user  $U_0$  is free from blockage.

### B. Application of NOMA to THz Transmission

To reduce the system complexity, assume that a single secondary user is scheduled, where the scheduling criterion will be described later. Provided that  $U_k$  is scheduled, following

the principle of NOMA transmission,  $x$  can be expressed as follows:  $\sqrt{\alpha_0}s_0 + \sqrt{\alpha_s}s_k$ , where  $s_i$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq K$ , denotes the signal for  $U_i$ ,  $\alpha_i$  denotes the power allocation coefficient,  $i \in \{0, s\}$ , and  $\alpha_0 + \alpha_s = 1$  [8]. The details for the choices of  $\alpha_0$  and  $\alpha_s$  will be provided in the next section.

It is assumed that all users decode  $U_0$ 's signal first, which ensures that admitting additional users does not cause any change to  $U_0$ 's detection strategy. Denote  $\mathcal{S}$  by the set including the secondary users which can decode  $U_0$ 's signal:

$$\mathcal{S} = \left\{ k : \log \left( 1 + \frac{\rho|h_k|^2\alpha_0}{\rho|h_k|^2\alpha_s + 1} \right) \geq R_0 \right\}, \quad (5)$$

where  $R_0$  denotes  $U_0$ 's target data rate,  $\rho$  denotes the transmit signal-to-noise ratio (SNR),  $|h_i|^2 = h_i^{\text{PL}}Gh_i^{\text{ML}}|g_i|^2$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq K$ , and the noise power is assumed to be normalized. For any user in  $\mathcal{S}$ , the following data rate,  $\log(1 + |h_k|^2\alpha_s)$ ,  $k \in \mathcal{S}$ , is achievable, and therefore, the following criterion is used to schedule the best secondary user:

$$k^* = \arg \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}} \log(1 + \rho|h_k|^2\alpha_s). \quad (6)$$

### III. PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Depending on the choice of  $\alpha_s$ , the performance of THZ-NOMA can be analyzed differently as follows.

#### A. Conventional Cognitive Radio Inspired NOMA

The use of conventional CR-NOMA can strictly ensure that serving additional secondary users does not cause any performance degradation to the primary user, i.e.,  $\log \left( 1 + \frac{\rho|h_0|^2\alpha_0}{\rho|h_0|^2\alpha_s + 1} \right) \geq R_0$ , which leads to the following choice for  $\alpha_s$  [8]:

$$\alpha_s = \max \left\{ 0, \frac{\rho|h_0|^2 - \epsilon_0}{\rho(1 + \epsilon_0)|h_0|^2} \right\}, \quad (7)$$

where  $\epsilon_0 = 2^{R_0} - 1$ .

Because the choice of  $\alpha_s$  in (7) guarantees that the primary user experiences the same as in OMA-THz, only the secondary users' performance is focused on in the following. In particular, the outage probability is used as the metric for performance analysis, and the outage probability achieved by THz-NOMA is shown in the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.** *The outage probability achieved by CR-NOMA with  $\alpha_s$  in (7) is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} P^o &= e^{-\mu_s(\mathcal{D})} + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\mu_s(\mathcal{D}))^i}{i!} e^{-\mu_s(\mathcal{D})} \left[ F_{|h_0|^2} \left( \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho} \right) \right. \\ &\quad + \eta_2^i \theta^i \int_{\frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho}}^{\eta_4} g_y^i \left( \frac{\epsilon_s(1 + \epsilon_0)y}{\rho y - \epsilon_0} \right) f_{|h_0|^2}(y) dy \\ &\quad \left. + \eta_2^i \theta^i \int_{\eta_4}^{\infty} g_y^i(y) f_{|h_0|^2}(y) dy \right], \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

where  $R_s$  denotes the secondary user's targeted data rate,  $\epsilon_s = 2^{R_s} - 1$ ,  $\eta_1 = \left( \frac{c}{4\pi f_c} \right)^2$  and  $\eta_2 = \frac{\phi^2}{\theta\gamma(2, \mathcal{R}\phi)}$ ,  $\eta_4 = \frac{\epsilon_0 + \epsilon_s 2^{R_0}}{\rho}$ ,  $f_{|h_0|^2}(y) = \frac{p_e}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G\xi} e^{-\frac{y}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G\xi}} + \frac{1-p_e}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G} e^{-\frac{y}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G}}$ ,  $F_{|h_0|^2}(y) = p_e \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{y}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G\xi}} \right) + (1 -$

$p_e) \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{y}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G}} \right)$ ,  $\mu_s(\mathcal{D}) = \theta\lambda\phi^{-2}\gamma(2, \mathcal{R}\phi)$ ,  $\gamma(\cdot, \cdot)$  denotes the lower incomplete gamma function, and  $g_y(y) = \int_0^{\mathcal{R}} \left[ 1 - e^{-y \frac{(\tau\alpha+1)e^{\zeta r}}{G\eta_1}} \right] e^{-\phi r} r dr$ .

*Remark 1:* By using Lemma 1, it is straightforward to show that error floors exist for both the overall outage probability,  $P^o$ , and the outage probability conditioned on a fixed  $K$ ,  $P_{O|K}$  defined in (13). This is because the choice of the power coefficient in (7) leads to the drawback that the secondary user's performance is greatly depending on the primary user's channel condition. In particular, if  $|h_0|^2 \rightarrow 0$ , i.e.,  $U_0$ 's channel is too weak,  $\alpha_s \rightarrow 0$ , i.e., the secondary user is in outage. If  $U_0$ 's channel is very strong, i.e.,  $|h_0|^2 \rightarrow \infty$ , the event that  $|h_{k^*}|^2 \leq |h_0|^2$  becomes likely, which causes an error floor at high SNR for  $P_{O|K}$ , as shown in (19).

#### B. Modified Cognitive Radio Inspired NOMA

To avoid the limitation discussed in Remark 1, in this section, the following modified choice for  $\alpha_s$  is used. In particular,  $\alpha_s$  is designed to ensure that the outage probability experienced by the primary user is capped, i.e.,

$$\underbrace{F_{|h_0|^2} \left( \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho(1 - (1 + \epsilon_0)\alpha_s)} \right)}_{U_0\text{'s outage probability in NOMA}} \leq \tau \times \underbrace{F_{|h_0|^2} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{\rho} \right)}_{U_0\text{'s outage probability in OMA}}, \quad (9)$$

where  $\tau$  denotes the tolerable performance degradation coefficient. Therefore, designing the modified CR-NOMA scheme is to maximize the secondary user's data rate, i.e.,  $\alpha_s$ , while statistically guaranteeing the primary user's QoS requirement, as formulated in the following optimization problem:

$$\max_{\alpha_s \geq 0} \alpha_s \quad \text{s.t.} \quad 1 - (1 + \epsilon_0)\alpha_s \geq 0 \quad (\text{P1a})$$

$$F_{|h_0|^2} \left( \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho(1 - (1 + \epsilon_0)\alpha_s)} \right) \leq \tau F_{|h_0|^2} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{\rho} \right). \quad (\text{P1b})$$

It is straightforward to verify that  $F_{|h_0|^2}(y)$  is a monotonically increasing function of  $y$ , and hence the optimal solution of problem P1, denoted by  $\alpha_s^*$ , can be found by using a bisection search between 0 and  $\frac{1}{1 + \epsilon_0}$ .

Because  $\alpha_s^*$  is not a function of  $|h_0|^2$ , by using the steps in the proof for Lemma 1, the outage probability achieved by the modified CR-NOMA scheme when there are  $K$  secondary users in  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$  can be obtained straightforwardly as follows:

$$P_{O|K} = \eta_2^K \theta^K \left( \int_0^{\mathcal{R}} \left[ 1 - e^{-\frac{\tilde{\epsilon}^*(1+r\alpha)}{G\eta_1}} e^{\zeta r} \right] e^{-\phi r} r dr \right)^K,$$

where  $\tilde{\epsilon}^* = \max \left\{ \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho(1 - 2^{R_0}\alpha_s^*)}, \frac{\epsilon_s}{\rho\alpha_s^*} \right\}$ .

At high SNR, the constraint in (P1b) can be approximated as follows:

$$\left( \frac{p_e}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G\xi} + \frac{(1-p_e)}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G} \right) \epsilon_0 \leq \tau \left( \frac{p_e}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G\xi} + \frac{(1-p_e)}{h_0^{\text{PL}}G} \right) \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho}, \quad (10)$$

which means that the high-SNR approximation of  $\alpha_s^*$  can be expressed as follows:

$$\hat{\alpha}_s^* = \frac{\tau - 1}{\tau(1 + \epsilon_0)}. \quad (11)$$

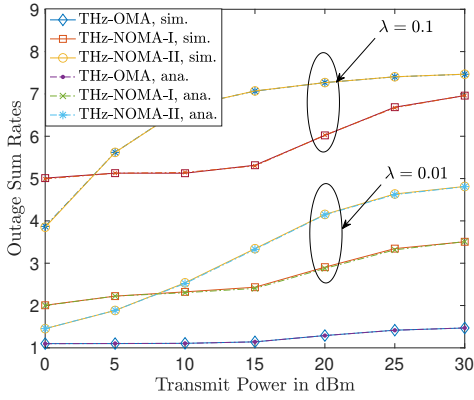


Fig. 1. Performance comparison of the considered transmission schemes.  $R_0 = 1.5$  bits per channel use (BPCU),  $R_s = 6$  BPCU,  $\hat{\alpha}_s^*$  in (11) is used for THz-NOMA-II.

By using  $\hat{\alpha}_s^*$  and with some algebraic manipulations,  $P_{O|K}$  can be approximated at high SNR as follows:

$$P_{O|K} \approx \eta_2^K \theta^K \left( \int_0^{\mathcal{R}} \frac{\tilde{\epsilon}^* (1+r^\alpha)}{G\eta_1} e^{\zeta r} e^{-\phi r} r dr \right)^K \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{\eta_2^K \theta^K (\tilde{\epsilon}^*)^K}{G^K \eta_1^K (\zeta - \phi)^{2K}} \left( 1 + e^{(\zeta - \phi)\mathcal{R}} [(\zeta - \phi)\mathcal{R} - 1] + (\phi - \zeta)^{-\alpha} [\zeta(\alpha + 2) - \Gamma(\alpha + 2, (\phi - \zeta)\mathcal{R})] \right)^K,$$

where  $\Gamma(\cdot, \cdot)$  denotes the upper incomplete gamma function. By using the fact that  $\tilde{\epsilon}^*$  is inversely proportional to  $\rho$ , the following corollary can be established straightforwardly.

**Corollary 1.** When there are  $K$  secondary users in  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$ , the modified CR-NOMA scheme can realize a diversity gain of  $K$ .

*Remark 2:* Corollary 1 clearly shows the benefit to use the modified CR-NOMA scheme, since not only outage error floors can be removed but also a diversity gain of  $K$  can be realized. But it is important to point out that the original CR-NOMA scheme can ensure that the primary user's QoS requirement is met instantaneously.

#### IV. SIMULATION RESULTS

In this section, computer simulation results will be provided to demonstrate the performance of THz-NOMA. As in [5],  $f_c = 300$  GHz,  $\alpha = 2$ ,  $\zeta = 5e^{-3}$ ,  $G = 35.35$  dB,  $\mathcal{R} = 10$  m,  $\theta = 3.17$  degrees,  $d_0 = 5$  m,  $\phi = 0.1$ ,  $\tau = 1.1$ ,  $\xi = 10^{-4}$ , and the noise power is set as  $-90$  dBm.

In Fig. 1, the performance of the considered transmission schemes is studied by using the outage sum rate as the metric [10]. Note that in the figure, THz-NOMA-I refers to the CR-NOMA scheme with  $\alpha_s$  in (7) and THz-NOMA-II refers to the modified CR-NOMA scheme discussed in Section III-B. As can be seen from the figure, the use of NOMA in THz networks yields a significant performance gain over THz-OMA, particularly in those dense scenarios. The use of the modified CR-NOMA scheme can further improve the throughput of THz networks, compared to conventional CR-NOMA. In addition, Fig. 1 also verifies the accuracy of the developed analytical results.

Fig. 2 shows the outage probabilities realized by the two THz-NOMA schemes by fixing the number of the secondary users. Fig. 2 demonstrates that the robustness of the two NOMA schemes is improved if there are more secondary

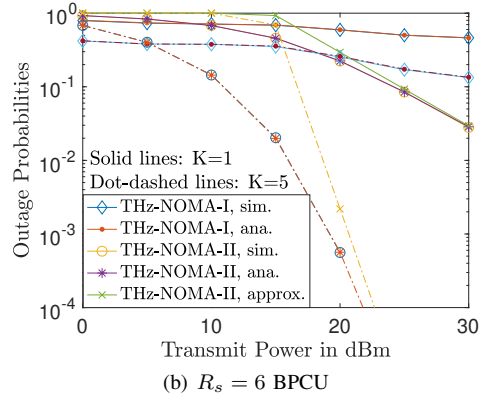
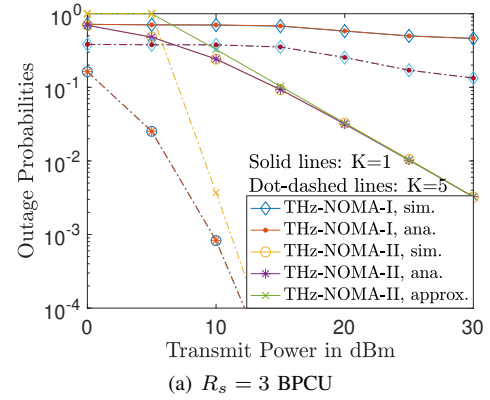


Fig. 2. The outage performance of the two THz-NOMA schemes with fixed  $K$ , where  $\hat{\alpha}_s^*$  in (11) is used for THz-NOMA-II.

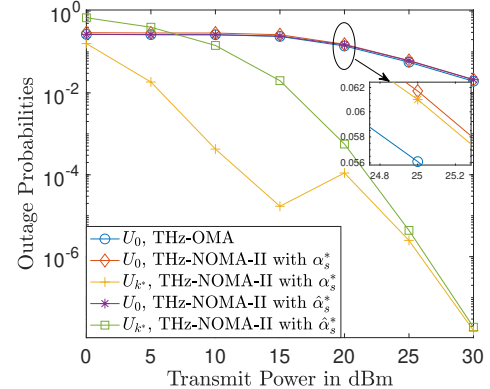


Fig. 3. The impact of different choices of  $\alpha_s$  on THz-NOMA-II.

users available in  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$ . However, error floors exist for the outage probabilities realized by conventional CR-NOMA, as discussed in Remark 1, whereas for the modified CR-NOMA scheme, the slope of the outage probability curve can be increased by increasing  $K$ , which confirms Corollary 1.

In Fig. 3, the impact of different choices of  $\alpha_s$  on the performance of modified CR-NOMA is studied, where  $\alpha_s^*$  is obtained from problem P1 and  $\hat{\alpha}_s^*$  is shown in (11). In particular, Fig. 3 demonstrates that the use of both choices of  $\alpha_s$  does not bring significant performance degradation to  $U_0$ , compared to THz-OMA. The reason to have zigzag outage curves for the case with  $\alpha_s^*$  is that  $\alpha_s^*$  is a function of the transmit power, e.g.,  $\alpha_s^* = 0.2347$  for the transmit power of 15 dBm, but  $\alpha_s^* = 0.0485$  for the transmit power of 20 dBm.  $\hat{\alpha}_s^*$  is not a function of the transmit power, which is the reason why  $U_{k^*}$ 's outage curves are smooth for the case with  $\hat{\alpha}_s^*$ .

#### V. CONCLUSIONS

In this letter, a new THz-NOMA transmission scheme has been proposed in order to mitigate the harmful effect of

beam alignment errors. In particular, two types of CR-NOMA schemes have been developed to realize different tradeoffs between system performance and user fairness.

APPENDIX A  
PROOF FOR LEMMA 1

The outage probability can be expressed as follows:

$$P^o = P(K = 0) + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(K = i)P_{O|K}, \quad (13)$$

where  $P(K = i)$  denotes the probability to have  $K = i$  secondary users in  $\mathcal{D}_\theta$  and  $P_{O|K}$  denotes the corresponding conditional outage probability.

1) *Evaluating  $P(K = i)$* : Note that the blockage effect thins the original HPPP process to a new PPP with the following intensity  $\lambda_s(x) = \lambda e^{-\phi r_k}$ , where  $x$  denotes the location of a secondary user free from blockage [10]. Therefore, the mean measure of this thinning process in  $\mathcal{D}$  is given by

$$\mu_s(\mathcal{D}) \triangleq \int_{\mathcal{D}} \lambda_s(x) dx = \theta \lambda \phi^{-2} \gamma(2, \mathcal{R}\phi), \quad (14)$$

which means that the probability to have  $K$  secondary users free from blockage is given by

$$P(K = i) = \frac{(\mu_s(\mathcal{D}))^i}{i!} e^{-\mu_s(\mathcal{D})}. \quad (15)$$

2) *Evaluating  $P_{O|K}$* : Following the steps similar to those in [8] and by using the fact that the  $K$  users' channel gains are independent and identically distributed,  $P_{O|K}$  can be expressed as follows:

$$P_{O|K} = P(|h_{k^*}|^2 \leq \tilde{\epsilon}) = [P(|h_k|^2 \leq \tilde{\epsilon})]^K, \quad (16)$$

where  $\tilde{\epsilon} = \max \left\{ \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho(\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s)}, \frac{\epsilon_s}{\rho \alpha_s} \right\}$ .

In (16), it is assumed that  $\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s \geq 0$ . It is important to point out that the use of the CR-NOMA power coefficients in (7) can guarantee that  $\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s \geq 0$ . In particular, if  $\log(1 + \rho|h_0|^2) \geq R_0$ ,  $\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s$  can be bounded as follows:

$$\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s = 1 - \frac{\rho|h_0|^2 - \epsilon_0}{\rho|h_0|^2} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho|h_0|^2} > 0. \quad (17)$$

For the case of  $\epsilon_s = 0$ ,  $\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s = 1$  which is also positive.

Further note that  $\tilde{\epsilon}$  can be expressed differently depending on whether the condition  $\frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho(\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s)} \geq \frac{\epsilon_s}{\rho \alpha_s}$  holds. Recall that the condition  $\frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho(\alpha_0 - \epsilon_0 \alpha_s)} \geq \frac{\epsilon_s}{\rho \alpha_s}$  is equivalent to  $\alpha_s \geq \frac{\epsilon_s}{\epsilon_0 + 2R_0 \epsilon_s}$ , which means that  $\tilde{\epsilon}$  can be expressed as follows:

$$\tilde{\epsilon} = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{if } |h_0|^2 < \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho} \\ \frac{\epsilon_s(1+\epsilon_0)|h_0|^2}{\rho|h_0|^2 - \epsilon_0}, & \text{if } \frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho} \leq |h_0|^2 \leq \eta_4 \\ |h_0|^2, & \text{if } |h_0|^2 \geq \eta_4 \end{cases}, \quad (18)$$

which means that  $P_{O|K}$  can be expressed as follows:

$$P_{O|K} = \int_0^{\frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho}} f_{|h_0|^2}(y) dy + \int_{\frac{\epsilon_0}{\rho}}^{\eta_4} \left[ q \left( \frac{\epsilon_s}{\rho \alpha_s} \right) \right]^K f_{|h_0|^2}(y) dy + \int_{\eta_4}^{\infty} [q(y)]^K f_{|h_0|^2}(y) dy, \quad (19)$$

where  $q(z) \triangleq P(|h_k|^2 \leq z)$  is the cumulative distribution function (CDF) of  $|h_k|^2$ , and  $f_{|h_0|^2}(y)$  denotes the probability density function (pdf) of  $|h_0|^2$ .

In order to find the pdf of  $|h_0|^2$ , recall that  $|h_0|^2 = h_0^{\text{PL}} G h_0^{\text{ML}} |g_0|^2$ . By using the facts that  $|g_0|^2$  is exponentially distributed and  $h_0^{\text{ML}}$  is distributed as shown in (2), the CDF of  $|h_0|^2$  is given by

$$F_{|h_0|^2}(y) = P(h_0^{\text{PL}} G h_0^{\text{ML}} |g_0|^2 \leq y) \\ = p_e \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{y}{h_0^{\text{PL}} G \xi}} \right) + (1 - p_e) \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{y}{h_0^{\text{PL}} G}} \right). \quad (20)$$

By using the CDF of  $|h_0|^2$ , its pdf, denoted by  $f_{|h_0|^2}(y)$ , can be obtained as shown in the lemma.

To evaluate  $q(z)$ , the pdf of the location of a secondary user, denoted by  $x$ , is needed and can be obtained as follows: [10]

$$p_X(x) = \frac{\lambda_s(x)}{\mu_s(\mathcal{D})} = \frac{\lambda \phi^2 e^{-\phi r(x)}}{\theta \lambda \gamma(2, \mathcal{R}\phi)}. \quad (21)$$

Therefore,  $q(z)$  can be expressed as follows:

$$q(z) = P \left( |g_k|^2 < \frac{z}{h_k^{\text{PL}} G} \right) \\ = \int_{\mathcal{D}} \left[ 1 - e^{-\frac{z}{h_k^{\text{PL}} G}} \right] \frac{\phi^2 e^{-\phi r(x)}}{\theta \gamma(2, \mathcal{R}\phi)} dx. \quad (22)$$

By using the expression of  $h_k^{\text{PL}}$  and also applying polar coordinates, the probability,  $P_{O|K}$ , can be expressed as follows:

$$q(z) = \eta_2 \theta \int_0^{\mathcal{R}} \left[ 1 - e^{-\frac{z(1+r\alpha)}{G\eta_1}} e^{\eta r} \right] e^{-\phi r} r dr. \quad (23)$$

Therefore, the lemma can be proved by applying the pdf of  $|h_0|^2$  and also substituting (23) into (19).

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