

Operating Characteristics of Underlay Cognitive Relay Networks

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Abstract—Understanding the performance of cognitive relay networks (CRNs) is of great interest. Recently, stochastic geometry is being used to model and characterize the performance of CRNs. It is a known fact that sensing is an integral part of the CRN, however, in most cases it is not perfect. Moreover, the model inaccuracies caused by simplifications and/or approximations when deriving the analytical expressions for characterizing CRNs may distort their true performance. With no sensing in the system, we determine a lower performance bound (LPB) that can be used to judge the reliability of other systems that include sensing and model approximations. Based on the LPB, the operating characteristics (OC) for the CRN are obtained, which determine the joint performance of the primary and secondary system. Finally, OC are used to investigate the system performance under different scenarios.

I. INTRODUCTION

Cognitive radio technology aims to provide promising yet liable solutions to cope with the ever increasing demand for electromagnetic spectrum [1]. Under the cognitive radio umbrella, different paradigms such as overlay, underlay and interweave are conceptualized [2]. These paradigms define the criterion to perform secondary access to the spectrum. Among them, underlay systems have been extensively studied in the literature. Besides, stochastic geometry [3] has been widely accepted for modelling and analysis of wireless networks. Recently, the concept of stochastic geometry has been applied also to the performance analysis of underlay cognitive relay networks (CRNs).

A. Related Work and Motivation

Primarily for an underlay system, it is necessary to characterize the interference caused by other transmitters in the system namely, primary and secondary transmitters. In reality, CRNs encounter variations in the interference due to random node locations, node mobility and fading. Stochastic geometry captures these variations and provides a probabilistic model for studying interference statistics. The characterization of interference in the context of underlay system has been extensively studied by [4]–[9]. The modelling of primary and secondary nodes using stochastic geometry was depicted by Ghasemi *et al.* [4], where the primary and secondary nodes locations were distributed according to a homogeneous Poisson Point Process (PPP) [10]. Moreover, the authors illustrated the interaction between the primary and secondary systems, whereby secondary transmitters (STs) detect the primary receivers (PRs)

by sensing the beacons sent by PRs over a control channel. Hence, STs terminate their transmission when located within a certain distance from a PR, termed as exclusion zone.

Kusaladharma *et al.* [5] extended the analysis with exclusion zone to obtain an expression for the moment generating function of the interference. The authors further investigated the effect of beacon misdetection by the STs in [6]. However, the model used in [5], [6] has following limitations. First, the interference analysis is restricted to PR only, that is the interference at secondary receiver (SR) is not considered. Second, the exclusion zones stimulate dependency between the node locations of the PRs and STs. Hence, the resulting process is no longer a PPP. This aspect is not considered in the model. These limitations were resolved by Lee *et al.* [7], who modelled the distribution of STs based on Poisson cluster processes. Concerning the area spectral efficiency of the secondary system, the concept of exclusion zone is rather inefficient, as it restricts the transmissions of those STs that are inside the exclusion zone, although interfering signals may be in a deep fade. Song *et al.* [9] overcame this problem by relaxing the idea of exclusion zone. In this particular case too, the authors assume STs follow a homogeneous PPP.

Sensing is included in the CRN to reduce interference in the system, however the beacon is detected with a certain level of false alarm and missdetection [11]. We believe that at physical level, apart from sensing there exists numerous cause of imperfections which are inherent to the communication systems, e.g. RF distortions. The scope of the paper is limited to the imperfections induced due to sensing only. In addition to that, sensing introduces dependency in the model, which is difficult to capture. Ignoring this dependency may distort the true performance of the system. Moreover, in most works, the performance of the CRN is restricted to the outage probability at the PRs only. Outage at SRs is either not considered or dealt separately for the system optimization. These approaches lack a general expression that captures the complete system dynamics, and hence, may lead to sub-optimal solutions.

In this work, we model a CRN where secondary system do not perform sensing. By doing so, we avoid dealing with sensing imperfection and dependency between STs and PRs node locations, thereby reducing model complexity. In this way, we are able to obtain exact closed-form expressions for the distribution function of the signal-to-interference ratio (SIR) at PR and SR. Without sensing, the secondary system sustains

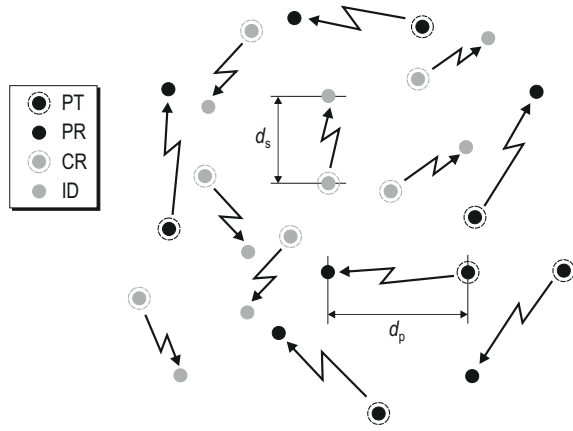


Fig. 1. A realization of a PPP for a cognitive relay network, depicting interference among the primary and secondary nodes.

the outage probability constraint at the PRs by regulating the transmit power at CRs for a given set of system parameters. Hence, we obtain an expression of the maximum transmit power at CRs.

Moreover, we consider outage probability constraints at the PR and SR jointly and derive operating characteristics (OC) for the considered CRN. The OC allows a joint characterization of outage probability constraint at the PR and the SR, given a set of system parameters. The expression for the OC can be used to capture the performance of the entire CRN. The obtained expressions from our model can serve as a lower performance bound (LPB), that can be used to benchmark the performance of the other systems that consider sensing and contain model inaccuracies. From the system designer's perspective, the LPB can be an important tool for judging the system performance.

Finally, we employ the OC to quantitatively analyze and compare the performance of the primary and secondary systems operating indoor, a scenario illustrated in [12], and outdoor. Our results indicate that systems operating indoor are more favorable than outdoor. Here indoor signifies that at least one of transmitter or receiver, corresponding to primary or secondary system, is operating indoor. For the outdoor case it is assumed that both the transmitter and receiver are operating outdoor.

II. SYSTEM MODEL

Cognitive relay (CR) as introduced in [12], [13], is a network element that intends to fulfill the spectral requirements of the indoor devices (IDs). In this paper, we extend the concept of CR as underlay system to a CRN, that is, the secondary system deploys multiple CRs and examine their effect on the primary and secondary system. For downlink transmission from CR to ID, CR and ID correspond to ST and SR.

We assume the same transmit power for all CRs P_s and preclude any form of cooperation or coordination among them. In the model, we do not involve sensing at CRs, P_s can be regulated to sustain the constraint at the PR. The regulation is necessary either at the system design or at time instants where the system parameters change. With its knowledge, P_s is

used to characterize the capacity outage at SRs, which finally leads to a joint characterization of the OC for the CRN is determined.

A. Network Model

The locations of PTs are modelled by a stationary 2-D PPP Φ_{PT} of density λ_p . Similarly, the locations of CRs follow a stationary 2-D PPP Φ_{CR} of density λ_s , cf. Fig. 1 for an illustration. Due to the presence of transmitter-receiver pairs (PT-PR, CR-ID) in the system, the spatial distribution of PRs and IDs depends on Φ_{PT} and Φ_{CR} . However, for the downlink PRs and IDs do not affect the system performance and hence do not need to be modelled.

All transmitted signals are subject to a distance-dependent path loss and small-scale channel fading. The distance-dependent path loss is given as $\|\cdot\|^{-\alpha}$, where $\alpha > 2$ is the path loss exponent. The small-scale channel fading is modelled as frequency-flat Rayleigh fading. Hence, the channel gains follow a unit-mean exponential distribution. The expressions presented in the paper are general and hence are applicable over a broad range of system parameters. However, to focus our analysis to the scenario described in [12], we consider a larger transmission distance and smaller node density for the primary system compared to the secondary system, i.e., $d_p \geq d_s$ and $\lambda_p \leq \lambda_s$, illustrated in Fig. 1. Lastly, for a simple distinction between different scenarios, we consider that both primary and secondary systems exist either in indoor or outdoor scenario. This corresponds to the same α for the primary and secondary systems. Moreover, it is considered that larger α , e.g., $\alpha \geq 3$ and smaller d_p , d_s are more likely to be designated to indoor [14].

Besides that, the primary and secondary system follow a time synchronous slotted medium access with a certain channel access probability β . Applying the independent thinning property of the PPP, the set of simultaneous active PTs again forms a homogeneous PPP with density $\beta\lambda_p$ [15]. With no loss of generality, we consider the node density λ_p includes the channel access probability for the PT. Similarly for CRs, λ_s includes the channel access probability for the CR. Hence, according to this simplification, all PTs and CRs, with node densities λ_p and λ_s , will transmit simultaneously.

III. INTERFERENCE ANALYSIS

In this section, we analyze the primary and secondary system jointly by deriving the OC. To obtain an expression for the OC, we first consider the SIR at a hypothetical PR, which we can place at origin o . Due to stationarity of Φ_{PT} and Φ_{CR} , the SIR at PR is then

$$\text{SIR}_{\text{PR}} = \frac{P_p g_{o,p} d_p^{-\alpha}}{\sum_{i \in \Phi_{PT}} P_p g_i \|X_i\|^{-\alpha} + \sum_{j \in \Phi_{CR}} P_s g_j \|Y_j\|^{-\alpha}}, \quad (1)$$

where P_p and P_s are the transmit power at the PT and the CR. $\|X_i\|$, $\|Y_j\|$ are the distances of the i^{th} PT and j^{th} CR as interferers. $g_{o,p}$, g_i and g_j are the channel gains for the

intended PT, i^{th} PT and j^{th} CR as interferers. CRs must satisfy the outage constraint on SIR_{PR} , given by

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{SIR}_{\text{PR}} < N_p) = p_{\text{out,p}} \leq \epsilon_p, \quad (2)$$

where N_p and ϵ_p are the SIR threshold and outage probability constraint at the PR.

SIR_{PR} depends on α , primary system parameters λ_p , P_p and d_p , as well as on the secondary system parameters λ_s and P_s . We assume that α and the primary system parameters are known at the system design, hence the additional interference at the PR from CRs can be regulated by choosing P_s and λ_s appropriately.

Before proceeding further, it is useful to characterize the performance of the system at the PR with only PTs as interferers.

Lemma 1: The success probability for a PR in absence of CRs is given by [15, (3.29)]

$$\kappa = \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{P_p g_{o,p} d_p^{-\alpha}}{\sum_{i \in \Phi_{\text{PT}}} P_p g_i \|X_i\|^{-\alpha}} > N_p\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi^2 \lambda_p c_1 \frac{2}{\alpha}}{\alpha \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\alpha}\right)}\right), \quad (3)$$

where $c_1 = N_p d_p^\alpha$.

Remark 1: κ decreases exponentially with increase in d_p , λ_p and N_p . Moreover, $\alpha \sin(2\pi/\alpha)$ is increasing and $N_p^{2/\alpha}$ is decreasing with α , where $N_p > 1$, hence κ increases with α .

With the inclusion of CRs, the success probability $1 - p_{\text{out,p}}$ and subsequently the constraint $1 - \epsilon_p$ at PR is limited by κ , hence $\kappa \geq 1 - \epsilon_p$. Therefore, it makes sense to account for the degradation in the primary system performance relative to κ .

Proposition 1: The relative degradation of the success probability at PR is given by

$$\theta = \frac{1 - \epsilon_p}{\kappa}, \quad (4)$$

where $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$. For example, $\theta = 0.95$ represents 5% degradation in success probability κ .

As discussed, all CRs transmit simultaneously with P_s . For a certain node density λ_s and θ , as per the system requirement it is important to determine the maximum transmit power P_s at CRs, such that the constraint in (2) is satisfied.

Lemma 2: For sustaining (2), the maximum transmit power P_s at CRs is

$$P_s \leq \frac{P_p}{N_p} \left(\frac{\alpha \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\alpha}\right)}{2\pi^2 \lambda_s d_p^2} \ln\left(\frac{\kappa}{1 - \epsilon_p}\right) \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}. \quad (5)$$

Proof: To solve for P_s , we consider the constraint in (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_p &\geq \mathbb{P}(\text{SIR}_{\text{PR}} < N_p) \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{=} \mathbb{P}\left(g_{o,p} < \frac{\sum_{i \in \Phi_{\text{PT}}} N_p g_i \|X_i\|^{-\alpha} + \sum_{j \in \Phi_{\text{CR}}} \gamma N_p g_j \|Y_j\|^{-\alpha}}{d_p^{-\alpha}}\right) \\ &\stackrel{(b)}{=} 1 - \mathbb{E}\left[\exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i \in \Phi_{\text{PT}}} N_p g_i \|X_i\|^{-\alpha} + \sum_{j \in \Phi_{\text{CR}}} \gamma N_p g_j \|Y_j\|^{-\alpha}}{d_p^{-\alpha}}\right)\right] \end{aligned}$$

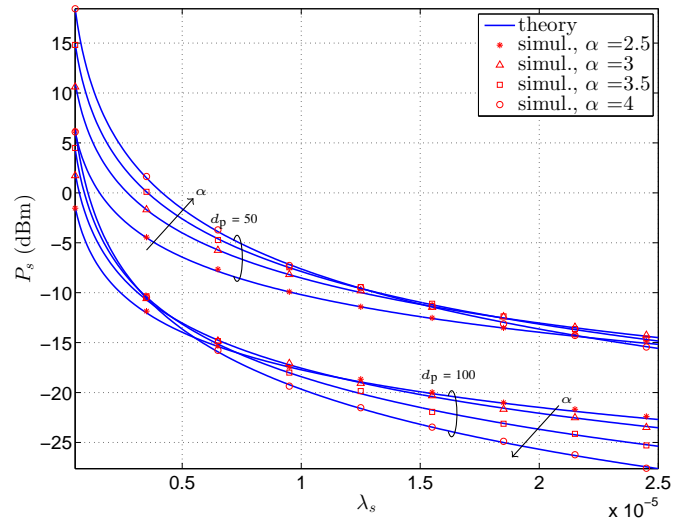


Fig. 2. Maximum transmit power of CRs for a given node density λ_s , with different choices of d_p and α , where $\theta = 0.95$, $N_p = 10$, $P_p = 10$ dBm and $\lambda_p = 10^{-6}$ nodes/m².

$$\begin{aligned} &\stackrel{(c)}{=} 1 - \mathbb{E}_{\Phi_{\text{PT}}}\left[\mathbb{E}_g\left[\prod_{i \in \Phi_{\text{PT}}}\exp\left(-\frac{N_p g_i \|X_i\|^{-\alpha}}{d_p^{-\alpha}}\right)\right]\right] \\ &\quad \times \mathbb{E}_{\Phi_{\text{CR}}}\left[\mathbb{E}_g\left[\prod_{j \in \Phi_{\text{CR}}}\exp\left(-\frac{\gamma N_p g_j \|Y_j\|^{-\alpha}}{d_p^{-\alpha}}\right)\right]\right] \\ &\stackrel{(d)}{=} 1 - \kappa \cdot \exp\left(-2\pi^2 \frac{c_2 \frac{2}{\alpha} \lambda_s}{\alpha \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\alpha}\right)}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where $c_2 = \gamma N_p d_p^\alpha$. (a) defines $\gamma = P_s/P_p$, (b) represents the expectation operation $\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$ over Φ_{PT} , Φ_{CR} , g_i and g_j . (c) follows from the independence between Φ_{PT} and Φ_{CR} . $\mathbb{E}_g[\cdot]$ represents the expectation over channel gains for the nodes corresponding to either Φ_{PT} or Φ_{CR} . Moreover, (c) uses the probability generating functional (PGFL) [15, Appendix, A.5] and (3) to obtain (d). ■

Remark 2: (6) represents the SIR_{PR} outage probability $p_{\text{out,p}}$. Similar to κ in Remark 1, θ increases with α and decreases with d_p . Hence, better performance, that is lower $p_{\text{out,p}}$ at PR is obtained for the scenarios with larger α and smaller d_p . Now, P_s in Lemma 3, obtained from our system model, can serve as a LPB for other systems with more sophisticated interference coordination that involves sensing. From (5), it is clearly observed that P_s increases proportionally to P_p , and inversely to N_p . Moreover $\alpha/2 > 1$, thus, for fixed α , P_s decreases exponentially with d_p and λ_s . It is worth noting that, P_s increases exponentially with $\ln(\kappa/1 - \epsilon_p) = \ln(1/\theta)$, cf. (4). Although $\alpha \sin(2\pi/\alpha)$ is increasing with α , still P_s is non-monotonic with α , see Fig. 2. That is, for operation point 1, where $\lambda_s = 2 \cdot 10^{-5}$ and $d_p = 100$, larger α degrades the signal power more than the interference from PTs and CRs. Hence to sustain a constant degradation $\theta = 0.95$, CRs must operate at relatively lower P_s to satisfy (2), and vice versa for operation point 2, where $\lambda_s = 1 \cdot 10^{-5}$ and $d_p = 50$. Hence, for a constant θ , the effect of α is compensated by regulating P_s

at CRs.

We now investigate the performance at the ID. The SIR at a hypothetical ID is

$$\text{SIR}_{\text{ID}} = \frac{P_s g_{o,s} d_s^{-\alpha}}{\sum_{i \in \Phi_{\text{PT}}} P_p g_i \|X_i\|^{-\alpha} + \sum_{j \in \Phi_{\text{CR}}} P_s g_j \|Y_j\|^{-\alpha}}. \quad (7)$$

Analogous to (1), due to stationarity of Φ_{PT} and Φ_{CR} , the hypothetical ID is placed at o . $g_{o,s}$ represents the channel gain for the intended CR to ID at a distance d_s . Moreover, from SIR_{ID} the capacity at the ID is determined as

$$\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}} = \log_2(1 + \text{SIR}_{\text{ID}}). \quad (8)$$

Hence, the performance of the secondary system can be determined from the SIR_{ID} outage probability

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{SIR}_{\text{ID}} < N_s) = p_{\text{out},s} \quad (9)$$

or equivalently, from the \mathbf{C}_{ID} outage probability

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}} < R_s), \quad (10)$$

where N_s and R_s are the SIR and rate threshold at ID. Again, SIR_{ID} depends on the system parameters P_p , λ_p and d_p and α , which are assumed to be known as well as on the parameters λ_s , d_s and P_s , which can be regulated by system designer.

Lemma 3: The SIR_{ID} outage probability for ID in the CRN is given by

$$p_{\text{out},s} = 1 - (1 - \epsilon_p)^{N_s^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} m}, \quad (11)$$

where

$$m = \frac{2\pi^2 \lambda_s d_s^2}{\alpha \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\alpha}\right) \ln\left(\frac{\kappa}{1-\epsilon_p}\right)}. \quad (12)$$

Proof: The outage probability of SIR_{ID} is evaluated as

$$p_{\text{out},s} = \mathbb{P}(\text{SIR}_{\text{ID}} < N_s)$$

$$\stackrel{(a)}{=} 1 - \exp\left(-2\pi^2 \frac{c_3^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \lambda_p}{\alpha \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\alpha}\right)}\right) \exp\left(-2\pi^2 \frac{c_4^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \lambda_s}{\alpha \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{\alpha}\right)}\right)$$

$$\stackrel{(b)}{=} 1 - \kappa \left[\left(\frac{c_3}{c_1}\right)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \right] \cdot \theta \left[\left(\frac{c_4}{c_2}\right)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \right]$$

$$\stackrel{(c)}{=} 1 - (\kappa \cdot \theta) \left[\left(\frac{P_p N_s d_s^\alpha}{P_s N_p d_p^\alpha}\right)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \right]$$

where $c_3 = (1/\gamma)N_s d_s^\alpha$ and $c_4 = N_s d_s^\alpha$. (a) follows the same procedure as in the proof of Lemma 2, (b) uses $e^{ab} = [e^a]^b$ and (c) substitutes P_s from (5) to obtain the final expression. ■

Substituting the expressions from (8), (9), (10) inside (11) in Lemma 3 to derive OC for the CRN.

Theorem 1: The operating characteristics for the CRN are given by

$$\psi_s \geq \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}} < R_s) = 1 - (1 - \epsilon_p)^{(2R_s - 1)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} m}, \quad (13)$$

where ψ_s is the outage probability constraint on the \mathbf{C}_{ID} outage probability given by (10).

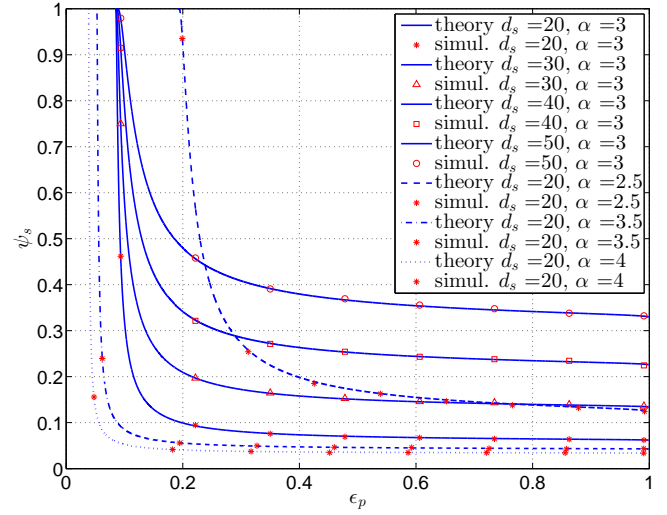


Fig. 3. OC illustrating \mathbf{C}_{ID} outage ψ_s at the ID versus the SIR_{PR} outage ϵ_p at the PR for the CRN with different choices of d_s and α , where $N_p = 10$, $R_s = 2$ bits/sec/Hz, $P_p = 10$ dBm, $d_p = 50$ m, $\lambda_p = 10^{-6}$ nodes/m² and $\lambda_s = 10^{-3}$ nodes/m².

OC considers the SIR_{PR} outage probability constraint at the PR ϵ_p and the \mathbf{C}_{ID} outage probability constraint at the ID ψ_s .

Remark 3: Again, the expression (13) derived from our system model represents a LPB. Following Remark 1, ϵ_p decreases with increase in α and decrease in d_p , which results in a lower ψ_s . Moreover, m in the exponent of (13), decreases proportionally to λ_s and d_s^2 , which further lowers ψ_s . Fixing θ , the expression $\ln(\kappa/1-\epsilon_p)$ is held constant, however, $\alpha \sin(2\pi/\alpha)$ increases and $(2^{R_s-1})^{\frac{2}{\alpha}}$ decrease with α for $R_s > 1$, hence, causes a decrease in ψ_s . Thereby, the scenarios with larger α , smaller d_p , d_s , e.g., $\alpha \geq 3$, $d_p \approx 50$ m $d_s \leq 30$ m, which attribute to indoor scenarios as illustrated in [12], result in a better OC, cf. Fig. 3.

To extend the analysis of comparing different scenarios, we consider that the constraint at PR is fulfilled. The performance of the secondary system is investigated based on the first and second moments of \mathbf{C}_{ID} . The variance $\text{Var}[\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}}]$ may be useful indicator for judging quality of service (QoS) at the ID.

Corollary 1: The expected capacity at the ID is given by

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}}] = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+x} e^{-\mu x^{\frac{2}{\alpha}}} dx, \quad (14)$$

where $\mu = -m \ln(1 - \epsilon_p)$ and $\mu \geq 0$. For the special case $\alpha = 4$, the following closed-form expression for $\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}}]$ exists

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}}] = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \left[\sin(\mu) \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \text{si}(\mu) \right) - \cos(\mu) \text{ci}(\mu) \right], \quad (15)$$

where $\text{si}(\cdot)$ and $\text{ci}(\cdot)$ corresponds to sine and cosine integral [16].

Proof: See Appendix. ■

Corollary 2: The variance of capacity at the ID is given by

$$\text{Var}[\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}}] = \frac{2}{(\ln 2)^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln(1+x)}{1+x} e^{-\mu x^{\frac{2}{\alpha}}} dx - \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{C}_{\text{ID}}]^2. \quad (16)$$

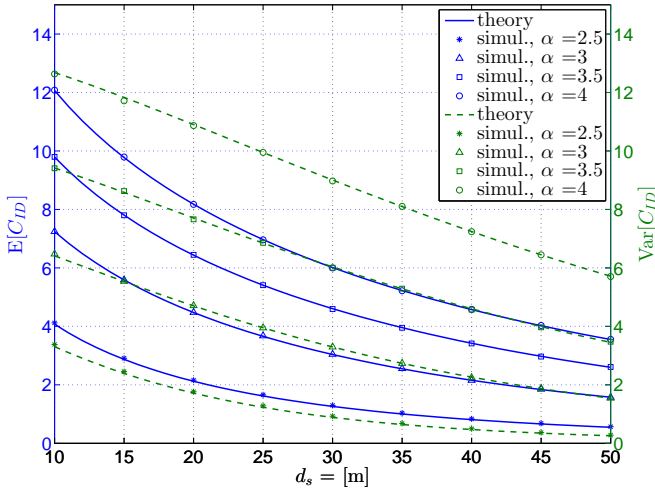


Fig. 4. $\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}]$ and $\text{Var}[C_{ID}]$ of the capacity at the ID against the d_s , after the SIR_{PR} constraint is satisfied, with different choices of α , where $\theta = 0.95$, $N_p = 10$ and $P_p = 10$ dBm, $d_p = 50$ m, $\lambda_p = 10^{-6}$ nodes/m², $\lambda_s = 10^{-5}$ nodes/m².

Similar to $\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}]$, (16) represents the analytical expression for $\text{Var}[C_{ID}]$. For validation of the theoretical results, $\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}]$ and $\text{Var}[C_{ID}]$ are computed numerically and compared with simulations.

$\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}]$ and $\text{Var}[C_{ID}]$ depend on the area under $f(x)e^{-\mu x \frac{2}{\alpha}}$, where $f(x)$ is $1/(1+x)$ and $\ln(1+x)/(1+x)$, hence, $f(x)$ is independent of the system parameters. However, rate of decay for the exponential function is controlled by $\mu x \frac{2}{\alpha} = -m \ln(1-\epsilon_p)x \frac{2}{\alpha}$. Considering m and following the analysis similar to Remark 3, large $\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}]$ is obtained for indoor scenarios, cf. Fig. 4. However, greater $\text{Var}[C_{ID}]$ is observed for larger α and smaller d_s , as larger α and smaller d_s scales the signal and larger α scales the interference from other PTs and CRs of SIR_{ID} , cf. (7). This may influence the QoS at ID.

IV. CONCLUSION

The paper provides an extension to the concept of cognitive relay to cognitive relay network. Stochastic geometry is used to model the locations of the primary and secondary systems. The sensing imperfection and model inaccuracies for the cognitive ecosystem decreases the system's reliability. Motivated by this fact, we establish a lower performance bound to benchmark the performance of systems that include model inaccuracies and sensing. Furthermore, we obtain OC to jointly analyze the performance of primary and secondary systems. Based on the OC and the system parameters defined for an indoor scenario, it is indicated that the CRN operating indoor are propitious for the system.

APPENDIX

EXPECTED CAPACITY AT ID

Proof: Expected capacity for the ID is given as

$$\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}] = \int_0^{\infty} R_s dF_{C_{ID}}(R_s), \quad (17)$$

where $F_{C_{ID}}(R_s)$ is defined in (13). In order to simplify (13), $R_s = x$, $(1-\epsilon_p) = b$, $e = \frac{2}{\alpha}$ is substituted to give

$$F_{C_{ID}}(x) = 1 - b(2^x - 1)^e m = 1 - c(2^x - 1)^e, \quad (18)$$

where $c = b^m$. Using (18) to evaluate (17) yields

$$\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}] = \ln 2 \cdot \ln c \int_0^{\infty} x e^{2x} (2^x - 1)^{e-1} c(2^x - 1)^e dx. \quad (19)$$

Solving (19) obtains the general expression for the expected capacity (14), where $\ln(1/c) = \mu$. For $\alpha = 4$, (19) gives

$$\mathbb{E}[C_{ID}] = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1} e^{-\mu x} dx. \quad (20)$$

Applying [16, 3.354] to (20) yields (15). ■

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