# Analysis of Optimal Combining in Rician Fading with Co-channel Interference

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*Abstract*—Approximate Symbol error rate (SER), outage probability and rate expressions are derived for receive diversity system employing optimum combining when both the desired and the interfering signals are subjected to Rician fading, for the cases of a) equal power uncorrelated interferers b) unequal power interferers c) interferer correlation. The derived expressions are applicable for an arbitrary number of receive antennas and interferers and for any quadrature amplitude modulation (QAM) constellation. Furthermore, we derive a simple closed form expression for SER in the interference-limited regime, for the special case of Rayleigh faded interferers. A close match is observed between the SER, outage probability and rate results obtained through the derived analytical expressions and the ones obtained from Monte-Carlo simulations.

*Index Terms*—Optimum combining, Rician fading, SER, QAM, Wishart matrices, Hypergeometric functions

## I. INTRODUCTION

MONG the various diversity combining schemes, optimum combining (OC) proposed in [1] maximizes the signal to interference plus noise ratio (SINR). Performance of OC receivers has been extensively studied for various cases when both the desired and interfering signals are subjected to Rayleigh fading [2]–[13]. Many practical scenarios exist such as indoor propagation, micro-cellular channels, satellite channels, inter-vehicular communications, etc, where both the desired and interfering signals may have line-of-sight (LoS) paths. Symbol error rate (SER) expressions for OC have been derived, when either the desired signals or the interfering signals undergo Rician fading, while the other undergoes Rayleigh fading [2].

Rician fading has found applications even in recent times in the study of the performance of distributed multiple input multiple output (MIMO) with zero forcing (ZF) receivers over correlated Rician fading channels [14], in deriving expressions for achievable rates of MIMO relay systems with ZF processing over Rician fading systems [15] and in the study of the performance of co-operative relaying systems with non-orthogonal multiple access [16]. Existing 4G and emerging 5G systems are both interference-limited. Hence, receiver techniques like OC and MRC will play a key role in the performance analysis of these systems [17]. However,

Copyright (c) 2019 IEEE. Personal use is permitted. For any other purposes, permission must be obtained from the IEEE by emailing pubspermissions@ieee.org. This is the author's version of an article that has been published in this journal. Changes were made to this version by the publisher prior to publication. The final version of record is available at http://dx.doi.org/10.1109/TVT.2019.2898235 SER and/or outage probability (OP) expressions when OC is employed and when both the user and interferers undergo Rician fading have not been studied. Further, characterization of OC receivers, which takes into account practical scenarios such as unequal interference power and correlation among interferers is not present in open literature. Hence, we address the gap in the literature with the following contributions through this paper:

- We derive exact expressions for the Laplace transform of SINR at the output of OC considering Rician faded users and a) mixture of Rayleigh and Rician faded interferers,
   b) only Rician faded interferers and c) only Rayleigh faded interferers. A simple approximation, which avoids determinant evaluation, is also derived for Rayleigh faded interferers in an interference dominated scenario.
- We also derive exact Laplace transform expressions of SINR for unequal power interferers and correlated interferers, which occur due to correlated channel fading, shadowing and from spatial distribution of transmitters [18]–[20]. An extension to κ – μ faded users is also proposed.
- Using these Laplace transform expressions, we derive approximate SER expressions that are functions of a double infinite series, which are truncated to finite series with arbitrarily small truncation error. The series terms are functions of Tricomi hypergeometric functions, which has been used extensively in analyzing throughput and the rate of wireless systems over various fading channels [21]–[24].
- We also derive an expression for the moments of the SINR  $\eta$ . The first two moments are then matched with those of a beta-prime random variable to obtain approximate outage probability and rate expressions. Inferences on the impact of the fading parameters are analytically studied by using stochastic ordering tools on the outage and SER expressions. All our results are compared with corresponding Monte-Carlo simulations and a close match is observed. We also give an application of OC in vehicular technology networks.

The notations used in the paper are:  $\mathcal{CN}(.,.)$  denotes complex normal random variable,  $(.)^H$  denotes transpose of a matrix,  $\mathbb{E}(.)$  denotes expectation,  $_1F_1(.)$  denotes confluent hypergeometric function, |.| denotes determinant of a matrix, tr(.) denotes trace,  $\mathcal{CW}(.)$  denotes a complex Wishart random matrix, U(.) denotes Tricomi hypergeometric function,  $\otimes$  denotes Kronecker product,  $\Psi(.)$  is the digamma function.

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## II. SYSTEM MODEL

Let  $N_R$  denote the number of receive antennas,  $N_I$  denote the number of interferers, **c** denote the  $N_R \times 1$  channel from the transmitter to the user, **c**<sub>i</sub> denote the  $N_R \times 1$  channel from the  $i^{th}$  interferer to the user, x denotes the desired user symbol belonging to unit-energy quadrature amplitude modulation (QAM) constellation and  $x_i$  denote the  $i^{th}$  interferer symbol also belonging a unit energy QAM constellation. The received vector is given by

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{c}x + \sum_{i=1}^{N_I} \mathbf{c}_i x_i + \mathbf{n},\tag{1}$$

where **n** is the  $N_R \times 1$  additive white complex Gaussian noise vector, with a power of  $\sigma^2$  per dimension i.e., **n** ~  $\mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_{N_R})$ . The interferer channels are modeled as i.i.d. Rician i.e.,  $\mathbf{c}_i \sim \mathcal{CN}(\sqrt{a'}\mathbf{m}'_i, b'\mathbf{I}_{N_R})$ , where  $a' = \frac{\kappa_i}{\kappa_i+1}$ ,  $b' = \frac{1}{\kappa_i+1}$ ,  $\kappa_i$  is the ratio of the power of the line of sight component to the scattering component of the interferer signals and  $\mathbf{m}'_i$  is an  $N_R \times 1$  arbitrary vector with elements of unit magnitude. The user channel is also assumed to be i.i.d Rician i.e.,  $\mathbf{c} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\sqrt{a}\mathbf{m}, b\mathbf{I}_{N_R})$ , where  $a = \frac{\kappa_s}{\kappa_s+1}$ ,  $b = \frac{1}{\kappa_s+1}$ . Note that, the Rician parameter  $\kappa_s$  is the ratio of the power of the line of sight component to that of the scattering component and **m** is an  $N_R \times 1$  mean vector with elements of unit magnitude and uniform phase. Let  $E''_I = N_I \times E'_I$  denote the total energy of the interfering signals, where  $E'_I$  is the mean energy of each of the interfering signals. The covariance matrix of the interference term plus the noise term is given by

$$\mathbf{R} = E'_I \mathbf{C}' \mathbf{C}'^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I} = E_I \mathbf{C} \mathbf{C}^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}, \qquad (2)$$

where  $\mathbf{C}' = [\mathbf{c}_1, ..., \mathbf{c}_{N_I}], \mathbf{C}' \sim \mathcal{CN}(\sqrt{a'}\mathbf{M}', b'\mathbf{I}_{N_R} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{N_I}).$   $\mathbf{M}'$  is an arbitrary deterministic matrix obtained by stacking  $\mathbf{m}'_{\mathbf{i}}$ s, such that,  $\mathbf{M}' = [\mathbf{m}'_1, \mathbf{m}'_2, \mathbf{m}'_3, ..., \mathbf{m}'_{N_I}]$  and  $\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{M}'^H) = N_R N_I$ . Here,  $\mathbf{C} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{I}_{N_R} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{N_I}),$   $E_I = E'_I \times b'$  and  $\mathbf{M} = \sqrt{a'}/\sqrt{b'}\mathbf{M}' = \sqrt{\kappa_i}\mathbf{M}'$ . The received SINR for the OC is given by [8]

$$\eta = E_D \mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{c},\tag{3}$$

where  $E_D$  is the mean energy of the user signal. In the next two sections, we will detail the procedure to obtain the Laplace transform expressions.

## III. LAPLACE TRANSFORM FOR EQUAL POWER UNCORRELATED INTERFERERS

A general expression for the Laplace transform  $M_{\eta}(s)$  of SINR  $\eta$  can now be obtained from Theorem 1 of [2]. We further simplify this expression for the specific case of Rician distribution. Let  $n_2 = \max(N_R, N_I)$  and  $n_1 = \min(N_R, N_I)^1$ .

$$M_{\eta}(s) = (-1)^{N_R} (\sigma^2 / E_I)^{(N_R - n_1)}$$
$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{\Lambda}_R} \left[ \left( \prod_{i=1}^{n_1} \frac{\sigma^2 / E_I + \lambda_i}{\lambda_i^{(N_R - n_1)}} \right) \frac{|\mathbf{J}|}{V_{n_1}(\mathbf{\Lambda}_R)} \right], \qquad (4)$$

<sup>1</sup>According to definition, moment generating function (mgf) should ideally exist in an interval around 0. But in all works including [2],  $M_{\eta}(s)$  exists only for s < 0. So we believe that calling  $M_{\eta}(s)$  Laplace transform is a more appropriate, as Laplace transform can be one-sided unlike mgf. where  $V_{n_1}(\mathbf{\Lambda}_R)$  is the determinant of the Vandermonde matrix formed by eigenvalues of non-central Wishart matrix  $\mathbf{CC}^H$ . J is an  $n_1 \times n_1$  matrix with elements,

$$\mathbf{J}_{i,j} = \begin{cases} h_1(s,\lambda_i) - \sum_{t=1}^{N_R - n_1} h_t(s,0)\lambda_i^{t-1}, \ j = 1, \\ \lambda_i^{N_R - j}, \ j = 2, ..., n_1, \end{cases}$$
(5)

and

$$h_t(s,x) = \frac{{}_1F_1(t; N_R; \frac{aN_Rs}{xE_I/E_D + \sigma^2/E_D - bs})}{(bsE_D/E_I - \sigma^2/E_I - x)^t},$$
(6)

with the series expansion of  ${}_{1}F_{1}(.)$  given by  ${}_{1}F_{1}(a;b;z) =$  $\sum_{z=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_k z^k}{(b)_k k!}$ . Laplace transform is derived in [2] for two cases: a) Rician signal with Rayleigh interferers b) Rayleigh signal with Rician interferers. In the former case, (4) is used along with the eigenvalue distribution of central Wishart matrix to arrive at a closed form expression for the Laplace transform. In the latter case, the fact that user signal c exhibits Rayleigh fading and hence invariant under unitary transformation is exploited to derive a closed form expression for the Laplace transform. To the best of our knowledge, there is no open literature that proves that Rician distribution is invariant under unitary transformation. Therefore, for the case of Rician signals with Rician interferers, we propose to evaluate the expectation in (4), by using the eigenvalue distribution of non-central Wishart matrix and subsequently simplify it by using properties of hypergeometric functions. The joint probability density function (pdf) of ordered eigenvalues  $(\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \dots > \lambda_{n_1})$  of non-central Wishart matrix is given by [25],

$$f(\lambda_1, ..., \lambda_s) = c_1 |\mathbf{\Upsilon}| \prod_{i < j}^{n_1} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \prod_{k=1}^{n_1} \lambda_k^{n_2 - n_1} e^{-\lambda_k}, \quad (7)$$

where  $\Upsilon$  is a  $n_1 \times n_1$  matrix whose  $(i, j)^{th}$  entry  $\forall i = 1, ..., n_1$  is given by,

$$\boldsymbol{\Upsilon}_{i,j} = \begin{cases} {}_{0}F_{1}(n_{2} - n_{1} + 1; w_{j}\lambda_{i}), & j = 1, ..., L, \\ \lambda_{i}^{n_{1} - j} \frac{(n_{2} - n_{1})!}{(n_{2} - j)!}, & j = L + 1, ..., n_{1}, \end{cases}$$

and

$$c_1 = \frac{e^{-\operatorname{tr}(\Omega)}((n_2 - n_1)!)^{-n_1}}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_1 - L} (n_1 - L - i)! \prod_{i=1}^{L} w_i^{n_1 - L} \prod_{i < j}^{L} (w_i - w_j)}$$

Note that  $w_i$ s are the ordered L non-zero eigenvalues of the non-centrality matrix,  $\mathbf{\Omega} = \mathbf{M}^H \mathbf{M}$  and the series expansion of the hypergeometric function  ${}_0F_1(.)$  is given by  ${}_0F_1(b;z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{(b)_k k!}$ . Substituting (7) in (4),

$$M_{\eta}(s) = c_1(-1)^{N_R} \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{E_I}\right)^{(N_R - n_1)} \times \int_0^\infty \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n_1} (\sigma^2/E_I + \lambda_i)e^{-\lambda_i}\right) |\mathbf{J}||\mathbf{\Upsilon}| d\lambda_1 ... d\lambda_{n_1}.$$
(8)

Using Theorem 2 in Appendix of [26], we can simplify Laplace transform in (8) to obtain,

$$M_{\eta}(s) = c|\mathbf{N}|,\tag{9}$$

where

$$c = \frac{e^{-\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{\Omega})}((n_2 - n_1)!)^{-n_1}(-1)^{N_R}(\sigma^2/E_I)^{(N_R - n_1)}}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_1 - L}(n_1 - L - i)!\prod_{i=1}^{L}w_i^{n_1 - L}\prod_{i

$$\begin{cases} \int_0^{\infty}(\frac{\sigma^2}{E_I} + x)e^{-x}x^{n_2 - N_R} {}_0F_1(n_2 - n_1 + 1;w_ix) \\ [h_1(s, x) - \sum_{t=1}^{N_R - n_1}h_t(s, 0)x^{t-1}]dx, \\ j = 1, \ i = 1, \dots, L, \\ \int_0^{\infty}(\frac{\sigma^2}{E_I} + x)e^{-x}x^{n_2 - N_R}x^{n_1 - i}\frac{(n_2 - n_1)!}{(n_2 - i)!} \\ [h_1(s, x) - \sum_{t=1}^{N_R - n_1}h_t(s, 0)x^{t-1}]dx, \\ j = 1, \ i = L + 1, \dots, n_1, \\ \int_0^{\infty}(\frac{\sigma^2}{E_I} + x)e^{-x}x^{n_2 - N_R} x^{n_1 - i}\frac{(n_2 - n_1)!}{(n_2 - i)!}x^{N_R - j}dx, \\ j = 2, \dots, n_1 \ i = 1, \dots, L, \\ \int_0^{\infty}(\frac{\sigma^2}{E_I} + x)e^{-x}x^{n_2 - N_R}x^{n_1 - i}\frac{(n_2 - n_1)!}{(n_2 - i)!}x^{N_R - j}dx, \\ j = 2, \dots, n_1 \ i = L + 1, \dots, n_1. \end{cases}$$$$

Further simplification of  $\mathbf{N}_{i,j}$  is given in Appendix A. The final expression for the entries of  $\mathbf{N}_{i,j}$  is given in (10) and this can be substituted in (9) to obtain the final Laplace transform of SINR. In (10),  $p = \sigma^2/E_I$ ,  $q = n_2 - n_1 + 1$ ,  $u = aN_RsE_D/E_I$ ,  $v = bsE_D/E_I - \sigma^2/E_I$ . Also, note that the expression for  $N_{i,j}$ , for  $L = n_1$  and L = 0, which correspond to all Rician faded interferers and all Rayleigh faded interferers respectively, get significantly simplified. When we do a Laplace expansion of the determinant  $|\mathbf{N}_{L=0}|$  along the first column and substitute  $\zeta_t(k) = \frac{\sigma^2}{E_I}\Gamma(n_1 + n_2 - N_R + t - k + 1) + \Gamma(n_1 + n_2 - N_R + t - k + 2)$ , we observe that the expression for  $M_{\eta}(s)$  for the Rayleigh interferers case is the same as the one obtained in [2, Eq. 13].

#### Interference-limited scenario

Recently, there has been a lot of interest in characterizing the performance of cellular networks/wireless system in an interference-limited scenario. Throughput and rate have been studied in [27]–[31] and references therein, assuming the noise can be neglected (i.e.,  $\sigma^2 = 0$ ), in an interferencelimited scenario. Motivated by these works, we now show that the Laplace expansion can be substantially simplified in the case of Rayleigh interferers. Note that an interferencelimited scenario is possible only for  $N_I > N_R$ . For  $N_R > N_I$ and  $\sigma^2 = 0$ , the receive antennas can cancel every interfering signal. If the number of non-zero eigenvalues L = 0 as is the case for Rayleigh fading, then  $M_\eta(s) = c |\mathbf{N}_{\sigma^2=0,L=0}|$ , where  $c = \frac{((n_2-n_1)!)^{-n_1}}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_1}(n_1-i)!} (-1)^{N_R} \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{E_I}\right)^{(N_R-n_1)}$ . Note that in c, we do not neglect  $\sigma^2$ . The expression can be further simplified as shown in Appendix B to obtain,

$$M_{\eta}(s) = \frac{(-1)^{N_{R}+n_{1}-1} (\sigma^{2}/E_{I})^{(N_{R}-n_{1})} n_{2}!}{(n_{2}-n_{1})! \prod_{i=1}^{n_{1}} (n_{1}-i)!} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{1}} (-1)^{i+1} A(i) \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{n_{1}} (j-1)!}{(n_{1}-i)!(i-1)!}, \quad (11)$$

where A(i) is given in Appendix B below (50).

## IV. LAPLACE TRANSFORM FOR CORRELATED INTERFERERS AND UNEQUAL POWER INTERFERERS

In the previous section, Laplace transform expressions are derived for the case of equal power uncorrelated interferers. But, in practice, the interferers can have different power and/or can be correlated. In a practical cellular system, there can be one or more of the following: a) receiver side correlation, b) interferer correlation, c) unequal power interferers.

The general non-central Wishart matrix W is written as  $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C'C'}^{H}$ , where  $\mathbf{C'} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{M}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \otimes \boldsymbol{\Psi})$ . Here, the  $N_R \times N_R$  matrix  $\Sigma$  denotes the receive correlation and the  $N_I imes N_I$  matrix  $oldsymbol{\Psi}$  denotes the transmit correlation or interferer correlation in our case. Suppose, we consider only receive side correlation and assume that the interferer correlation is not present, i.e.,  $\Psi$  is an identity matrix. This reduces to the non-central Wishart matrix denoted by  ${f W}$   $\sim$  $\mathcal{CW}(N_I, \Sigma, \Sigma^{-1}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^H)$ . This case, where  $\Psi$  is assumed to be an identity matrix, is widely discussed in the literature. The eigenvalue distribution of this case, i.e., a non-central Wishart matrix with a covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  which is not an identity matrix, is analyzed in [32] in terms of zonal polynomials. However, using this eigenvalue distribution to obtain the Laplace transform expression of  $\eta$  becomes mathematically intractable. Hence, considering receive correlation is beyond the scope of this work.

On the other hand, the cases of  $\Psi$  being a diagonal matrix, i.e., unequal power interferers or  $\Psi$  being a full matrix, i.e., correlated interferers, have barely received attention in statistic literature. There do not even exist matrix variate and eigenvalue distribution results for this case. However, we do provide results for this case by considering the problem as two sub-problems a) for  $N_R \ge N_I$  exact results are provided, b) for  $N_R < N_I$  approximate results are provided. In short, in this section, we derive Laplace transform expressions for  $\mathbf{C}' \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{I}_{N_R} \otimes \Psi)$ . Note,  $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C'}\mathbf{C'}^H$  can be decomposed into  $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C}\Psi\mathbf{C}^H$ , such that  $\mathbf{C} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{M}\Psi^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \mathbf{I}_{N_R} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{N_I})$ [33]. Let us first consider the case of correlated interferers. The covariance matrix of the interference term plus the noise term is given by

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{\Psi} \mathbf{C}^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}.$$
 (12)

The received SINR for the OC is given by (3). We will consider this problem as two cases: a)  $N_R \ge N_I$ , b)  $N_R < N_I$ .

A.  $N_R \ge N_I$ 

Similar to (4), the general expression for the Laplace transform  $M_{\eta}(s)$  of SINR  $\eta$  is given by,

$$M_{\eta}(s) = (-1)^{N_R} (\sigma^2)^{(N_R - n_1)} \\ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{\Lambda}_R} \left[ \left( \prod_{i=1}^{n_1} \frac{\sigma^2 + \lambda_i}{\lambda_i^{(N_R - n_1)}} \right) \frac{|\mathbf{J}|}{V_{n_1}(\mathbf{\Lambda}_R)} \right], \quad (13)$$

where  $V_{n_1}(\Lambda_R)$  is the determinant of the Vandermonde matrix formed by eigenvalues of non-central Wishart matrix  $\mathbf{C}\Psi\mathbf{C}^H$ . **J** is an  $n_1 \times n_1$  matrix with elements given by (5) and

$$h_t(s,x) = \frac{{}_1F_1(t;N_R;\frac{aN_Rs}{x/E_D + \sigma^2/E_D - bs})}{(bsE_D - \sigma^2 - x)^t}.$$
 (14)

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{k=0}^{T_2} \frac{w_i^k}{q_k k!} \left[ \sum_{l=0}^{T_1} \frac{u^l}{(N_R)_l} \left[ -\Gamma(k+n_2-N_R+2)U(l+1,l-k-n_2+N_R,-v) - p\Gamma(k+n_2-N_R+1) \right] \\ U(l+1,-k-n_2+N_R+l+1,-v) \right] -\sum_{t=1}^{N_R-n_1} \frac{1}{1!} \frac{F_1(t;N_R;u/v)}{v^t} \left[ p\Gamma(t+n_2-N_R) \frac{1}{1!} F_1(t+n_2-N_R;q;w_i) \right] \\ +\Gamma(t+n_2-N_R+1) \frac{1}{1!} F_1(t+n_2-N_R+1;q;w_i) \right], \qquad j=1, i=1,...,L, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{(n_2-n_1)!}{(n_2-i)!} \left[ \sum_{l=0}^{T_1} \frac{u^l}{(N_R)_l} \left[ -\Gamma(n_2-N_R+n_1-i+2)U(l+1,l-n_2+N_R-n_1+i,-v) \right] -\sum_{t=1}^{N_R-n_1} \frac{1}{1!} \frac{F_1(t;N_R;u/v)}{v^t} \right] \\ -p\Gamma(n_2-N_R+n_1-i+1)U(l+1,-n_2+N_R-n_1+i+l+1,-v) \right] -\sum_{t=1}^{N_R-n_1} \frac{1}{1!} \frac{F_1(t;N_R;u/v)}{v^t} \\ \left[ p\Gamma(t+n_2+n_1-N_R-i) + \Gamma(t+n_2+n_1-N_R-i+1) \right] \right], \qquad j=1, i=L+1,...,n_1, \\ p_1F_1(n_2-j+1;q;w_i)\Gamma(n_2-j+1) + \Gamma(n_2-j+2)\Gamma_1(n_2-j+2;q;w_i), \qquad j=2,...,n_1 i=1,...,L. \\ \frac{(n_2-n_1)!}{(n_2-i)!} [p\Gamma(n_2+n_1-i-j+1) + \Gamma(n_2+n_1-i-j+2)], \qquad j=2,...,n_1 i=L+1,...,n_1. \end{cases}$$

$$\end{cases}$$

Recall that, in the case of equal power uncorrelated interferers, we simplified the expression in (4) using the eigenvalue distribution of the non-central Wishart matrix. But for the case of correlated interferers, there exists no matrix variate distribution formula in the open literature and deriving one requires integration over the Stiefel manifold [32]. Also, there exists no eigenvalue distribution for this case. Hence, initially, we consider the case of Rayleigh-faded interferers, i.e., M = 0.

1) Rayleigh faded correlated interferers: We exploit the property that  $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C} \mathbf{\Psi} \mathbf{C}^H$  has the same non-zero eigenvalues as that of  $\Psi^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{C}^{H} \mathbf{C} \Psi^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , where  $\mathbf{C}^{H} \mathbf{C}$  is also a Wishart matrix. The eigenvalue distribution of  $\Psi^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{C}^{H} \mathbf{C} \Psi^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , is given by [34],

$$f(\lambda_1, ..., \lambda_s) = c_1 |\mathbf{\Upsilon}| \prod_{i < j}^{N_I} (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \prod_{k=1}^{N_I} \lambda_k^{N_R - N_I}, \quad (15)$$

where  $\Upsilon$  is a  $N_I \times N_I$  matrix whose  $(i, j)^{th}$  entry  $\forall i, j = 1, ..., N_I$  is given by,  $\Upsilon_{i,j} = e^{-\frac{\lambda_i}{r_j}}$  and  $c_1 = (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}N_I(N_I-1)} \frac{|\Psi|^{-N_R}}{\prod_{i< j}^{N_I}(\frac{1}{r_i}-\frac{1}{r_j})\prod_{k=1}^{N_I}(N_R-k)!}$ . Also, note that  $r_i$ s are the ordered  $N_I$  distinct non-zero eigenvalues of  $\Psi$ . Using (15) to simplify (13), we obtain the Laplace transform of  $\eta$  as

$$M_{\eta}(s) = (-1)^{N_R} (\sigma^2)^{(N_R - N_I)} \\ \times \int_0^\infty c_1 \prod_{i=1}^{n_1} (\sigma^2 + \lambda_i) |\mathbf{J}| |\mathbf{\Upsilon}| d\lambda_1 ... d\lambda_{N_I}.$$
(16)

As in the case of equal power interferers, we use Theorem 2 in the Appendix of [26] and the identity  $\int_0^\infty e^{-px} x^{s-1} dx =$  $p^{-s}\Gamma(s)$  from [35]. We can solve the integral for j = 1, by expanding the  ${}_{1}F_{1}$  hypergeometric series and interchanging the integration and summation. The approach followed in Appendix A can be followed here. The Laplace transform after simplification becomes,

$$M_{\eta}(s) = c|\mathbf{N}|,\tag{17}$$

where 
$$c = \frac{(-1)^{N_R} (\sigma^2)^{(N_R - N_I)} (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}N_I (N_I - 1)} |\Psi|^{-N_R}}{\prod_{i < j}^{N_I} (\frac{1}{r_i} - \frac{1}{r_j}) \prod_{k=1}^{N_I} (N_R - k)!}$$
 and N is given by

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$$\mathbf{N}_{i,j} = \begin{cases} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aN_R sE_D)^l}{(N_R)_l} (\sigma^2 | bsE_D - \sigma^2 |^{-l} \\ U(1, 1 - l, r_i | bsE_D - \sigma^2 |) + | bsE_D - \sigma^2 |^{-l+1} \\ U(2, 2 - l, r_i | bsE_D - \sigma^2 |)) \\ - \sum_{t=1}^{N_R - N_I} \frac{1^{F_1(t;N_R; \frac{aN_R s}{\sigma^2/E_D - bs})}}{(bsE_D - \sigma^2)^t} (\sigma^2 r_i^t \Gamma(t) \\ + r_i^{t+1} \Gamma(t+1) ], \quad j = 1, i = 1, ..., N_I, \\ \sigma^2 r_i^{N_R - j+1} \Gamma(N_R - j + 1) + r_i^{N_R - j+2} \\ \Gamma(N_R - j + 2), j = 2, ..., N_I i = 1, ..., N_I, \end{cases}$$
(18)

where  $r_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq N_I$  are the eigenvalues of  $\Psi$ . We can truncate the converging infinite series for j = 1 at a finite value, with an arbitrarily small truncation error. The convergence proof is similar to the one given in Appendix A. Note that this is an exact Laplace transform expression and is novel for the case of Rayleigh faded correlated interferers with Rician faded users. Earlier works like [2], considers only equal power uncorrelated interferers, while recent works like [10] consider only Rayleigh faded user. An approximation which works for  $\sigma^2 \approx 0$  is also derived in Appendix D. The expression is as follows:

$$M_{\eta}(s) \approx c \sum_{i=1}^{N_{I}} (-1)^{i+1} B(i) r_{i}^{-N_{R}+N_{I}-2} |V^{i}(\mathbf{r})|, \qquad (19)$$

where  $c = \frac{(-1)^{N_R} (\sigma^2)^{(N_R - N_I)} (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}N_I (N_I - 1)} |\Psi|^{-N_R}}{\prod_{i < j}^{N_I} (\frac{1}{r_i} - \frac{1}{r_j}) \prod_{k=1}^{N_I} (N_R - k)!}$ , A(i) and  $|V^i(\mathbf{r})|$  are given in Appendix D.

2) Rician faded correlated interferers: For the case of Rician faded interferers, the above approach is not possible even for  $N_R \ge N_I$ . This is because we have to use the zonalpolynomial based eigenvalue distribution from [32] to simplify the Laplace transform, which is not mathematically tractable. Nevertheless, we arrive at a mathematically tractable solution, wherein we propose to approximate the non-central Wishart

matrix by a central Wishart matrix through moment matching and then use the derived expression given in (17).

The expected value of any matrix of the form  $\mathbf{A}^{H}\mathbf{A}$ , if  $\mathbf{A} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{M}, \mathbf{I}_{N_{I}} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{N_{R}})$ , with  $N_{R}$  degrees of freedom, is given by  $E[\mathbf{A}^{H}\mathbf{A}] = N_{R} + \mathbf{M}^{H}\mathbf{M}$ . This implies that for  $\mathbf{W} = \Psi^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{C}^{H}\mathbf{C}\Psi^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , the first moment is given by,  $E[\mathbf{W}] = N_{R}\Psi + \Psi^{1/2}\mathbf{M}^{H}\mathbf{M}\Psi^{1/2}$ . The first moment of any central Wishart matrix  $\mathbf{W}_{1} \sim \mathcal{CW}(N_{R}, \Phi)$  with the same degree of freedom  $N_{R}$ , is given by  $E[\mathbf{W}_{1}] = N_{R}\Phi$ . When the first moments of the  $\mathbf{W}$  and  $\mathbf{W}_{1}$  are equated, we obtain  $\Phi = \Psi + \frac{1}{N_{R}}\Psi^{1/2}\mathbf{M}^{H}\mathbf{M}\Psi^{1/2}$ . We have now obtained a central Wishart approximation of the non-central Wishart matrix. Hence,  $\mathbf{W}$  can be approximated as a central Wishart  $\mathcal{CW}(N_{R}, \Psi + \frac{1}{N_{R}}\Psi^{1/2}\mathbf{M}^{H}\mathbf{M}\Psi^{1/2})$ . A similar approximation is performed in [36]. Now that we have a central Wishart matrix, the expressions derived for the case of Rayleigh faded interferers hold, but with the matrix  $\Psi$  in (17) replaced by  $\Psi + \frac{1}{N_{R}}\Psi^{1/2}\mathbf{M}^{H}\mathbf{M}\Psi^{1/2}$ .

3) Unequal power interferers: All the above analysis holds for a general  $\Psi$ . For the case of unequal power interferers,  $\Psi$ is just a diagonal matrix, with the interferer powers occupying the diagonal. Hence, the Laplace transform expressions (17) can be used for unequal power Rayleigh-faded and Ricianfaded interferers respectively.

## B. Rayleigh faded correlated interferers for $N_I > N_R$

For the case of Rayleigh-faded correlated interferers, for  $N_I > N_R$ , the covariance matrix of the interference term plus the noise term is given by  $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{C} \Psi \mathbf{C}^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$ . Here,  $\mathbf{C} \sim \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_{N_R} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{N_I})$ . From [37], the distribution of  $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C} \Psi \mathbf{C}^H$  is the same as that of  $\sum_{i=1}^{N_I} \lambda_i \mathbf{W}_i$ , where  $\lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues of  $\Psi$  and  $\mathbf{W}_i \sim \mathcal{CW}(1, \mathbf{I}_{N_R})$ . Though this method works for  $N_R \geq N_I$ , we can use the analysis given in the previous subsection for determining the Laplace expansion.

From [38], the sum of central Wishart matrices can be approximated by another central Wishart matrix. In our case, from [38],  $\mathbf{W} \approx \mathbf{S} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_I} \lambda_i}{p_s}$ , where  $\mathbf{S} \sim \mathcal{CW}(p_s, \mathbf{I}_{N_R})$  and  $p_s = \left[\frac{(\sum_{i=1}^{N_I} \lambda_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_I} \lambda_i^2}\right]$  rounded to the nearest integer. Note that, this has reduced to a case of a Wishart matrix with an identity covariance matrix. Hence, the Laplace transform expression

derived for the case of equal power Rayleigh interferers, i.e., expressions corresponding to L = 0 given in Section III, can now be used. Also, the determinant simplification that has been derived in the case of equal power Rayleigh faded interferers holds for this case.

### V. SER EXPRESSIONS

Using the standard assumption that the contribution of the interference and the noise at the output of optimum combiner, for a fixed  $\eta$ , can be well-approximated to be Gaussian as in [39] and [40] and references therein, the probability of symbol error for an M-ary square QAM constellation is given by [41],

$$\mathcal{P}_e \approx k_1 Q(\sqrt{k_2 \eta}) - k_3 Q(\sqrt{k_2 \eta})^2, \qquad (20)$$

where  $k_1 = 4\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\right)$ ,  $k_2 = \frac{3}{M-1}$ ,  $k_3 = \frac{k_1^2}{4}$  and the Q-function is given by  $Q(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_x^{\infty} e^{-u^2/2} du$ . The assumption that the contribution of the interference and the noise at the output of OC, for a fixed  $\eta$ , is Gaussian, is valid even when the number of interferers  $N_I$  is small [40] and such a system model assumption is made in a number of papers [8], [42], [43] to derive the SER expression. Using the approximation  $Q(x) \approx \frac{1}{12}e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} + \frac{1}{4}e^{-\frac{2}{3}x^2}$ , one can write  $\mathcal{P}_e$ as [44],  $\mathcal{P}_e \approx \sum_{l=1}^{5} a_l e^{-b_l \eta}$ , where  $a_1 = \frac{k_1}{12}$ ,  $a_2 = \frac{k_1}{4}$ ,  $a_3 = \frac{-k_3}{164}$ ,  $a_4 = \frac{-k_3}{16}$ ,  $a_5 = \frac{-k_3}{24}$ ,  $b_1 = \frac{k_2}{2}$ ,  $b_2 = \frac{2k_2}{3}$ ,  $b_3 = k_2$ ,  $b_4 = \frac{4k_2}{3}$  and  $b_5 = \frac{7k_3}{6}$ . The average SER obtained by averaging  $\mathcal{P}_e$  over all channel realizations is,

$$SER \approx \mathbb{E}_{\eta}[\mathcal{P}_{e}] = \mathbb{E}_{\eta}[\sum_{l=1}^{5} a_{l}e^{-b_{l}\eta}] = \sum_{l=1}^{5} a_{l}M_{\eta}(s)|_{s=-b_{l}},$$
(21)

where  $M_{\eta}(s)$  is the Laplace transform of  $\eta$  and  $\mathbb{E}_{\eta}$  denotes expectation over SINR  $\eta$ . Now, the SER approximations can be directly obtained by substituting the Laplace transform expressions in the above equation. Wherever the Laplace transform is simplified to circumvent the determinant expansion, we get simplified SER expressions. For example, for an interferencelimited scenario ( $N_I > N_R$  and  $\sigma^2 = 0$ ), by substituting  $n_1 = N_R$  and  $n_2 = N_I$ , the SER becomes,

$$SER \approx \sum_{l=1}^{5} a_{l} \frac{(-1)^{N_{R}+1} N_{I}!}{(N_{I} - N_{R})! \prod_{i=1}^{N_{R}} (N_{R} - i)!} \times \sum_{i=1}^{N_{R}} (-1)^{i+1} A(i) \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{N_{R}} (j-1)!}{(N_{R} - i)!(i-1)!}|_{s=-b_{l}}.$$
 (22)

Ours is the first work to obtain SER expression in an interference-limited scenario, for Rayleigh faded interferers in a closed form. All existing works, so far, require an explicit evaluation of the determinant. Further, the expression derived also gives an approximation of SER, for  $N_I > N_R$  for very low noise values  $\sigma^2 \approx 0$ . If we substitute  $n_1 = N_I$  and  $n_2 = N_R$  in (9) and ignore the  $\sigma^2$  term inside the determinant, we also obtain an approximation for the SER as,

$$SER \approx \sum_{l=1}^{5} a_{l} \frac{(-1)^{N_{R}+1} (\sigma^{2}/E_{I})^{(N_{R}-N_{I})} N_{R}!}{(N_{R}-N_{I})! \prod_{i=1}^{N_{I}} (N_{I}-i)!} \times \sum_{i=1}^{N_{I}} (-1)^{i+1} A(i) \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{N_{I}} (j-1)!}{(N_{I}-i)!(i-1)!} |_{s=-b_{l}}.$$
 (23)

Note that the dependence of c term on  $\sigma^2$  is not present for  $N_I > N_R$ . On the other hand, the  $\sigma^2$  term exists in c term for  $N_R > N_I$ . Note that SER expressions obtained for Rayleigh interferers in [2] involve not only an explicit evaluation of determinants but also numerical integration, while results here require neither. For the case of Rayleigh/Rician faded correlated interferers and  $N_R > N_I$ , we can substitute (17) in (21) to get the SER approximations. For this case also, we have a Laplace expansion in (19) that doesn't involve determinant evaluation. This approximation works very well when  $\sigma^2$  is actually small or when interferer powers are large compared

to  $\sigma^2$ . This can be further substituted in (21), to obtain the approximate expression for SER as,

$$SER \approx \sum_{l=1}^{5} \frac{a_l(-1)^{N_R} (\sigma^2)^{(N_R - N_I)} (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}N_I (N_I - 1)} |\Psi|^{-N_R}}{\prod_{i < j}^{N_I} (\frac{1}{r_i} - \frac{1}{r_j}) \prod_{k=1}^{N_I} (N_R - k)!} \times \sum_{i=1}^{N_I} (-1)^{i+1} B(i)_{s=-b_l} r_i^{-N_R + N_I - 2} |V^i(\mathbf{r})|.$$
(24)

In case of correlated or unequal power Rayleigh faded interferers and  $N_I > N_R$ , we have discussed an approximate expression for Laplace transform in Section III.B, which can be used to determine the SER expressions. In case, of correlated or unequal power Rician faded interferers for  $N_I > N_R$ , it is mathematically intractable to give an Laplace transform expression and hence derive an SER expression. Nevertheless, the existing SER expressions derived for the case of equal power uncorrelated interferers can be used as an upper bound. If we consider all the interferers to have the same power as that of the maximum-power interferer, our expression gives an upper bound for the actual SER, i.e., our expressions give the worst case SER. Similarly, the expressions for the uncorrelated case gives the worst case SER, i.e., a good upper bound on for the actual SER of correlated interferers. This is because, correlated interferers cause partial interference alignment [10] and hence the receive antennas can cancel the interferers better. leading to a lower SER when compared to the uncorrelated case.

#### VI. OUTAGE AND RATE APPROXIMATIONS

Apart from SER, outage probability and rate are the other performance metrics that are useful in characterizing the performance of any wireless system. In the preceding section, we used the exponential approximation to determine the approximate SER at the output of OC. But, no such straightforward method exists for determining expressions for outage probability and rate. This is so because expressions for the pdf of the SINR or signal to interference ratio (SIR) are mathematically intractable to derive. However, we, in this section, detail a moment-matching method to determine approximate expressions for outage probability and rate. To the best of our knowledge, ours is the first work to obtain even approximate expressions for outage probability and rate. For doing this, we will first determine the exact moments of the SINR.

## A. Moments of Rician-Rician

The  $l^{th}$  moment of SINR for Rician faded user and Rician faded interferers is given by,

$$\mu_l^{Ric-Ric} = \frac{d^l}{ds^l} M_{\eta}(s)|_{s=0} = \alpha_l^{Ric} c \sum_{k=1}^{n_1} (-1)^k |Y_k| d_l$$

where  $c = \frac{e^{-t(\Omega)}((n_2-n_1)!)^{-n_1}}{\prod_{i< j}^{n_1}(w_i-w_j)}(-1)^{N_R}(\sigma^2/E_I)^{(N_R-n_1)}$ ,  $d_l$  is given by (57),  $Y_k$  is the matrix formed by omitting the  $k^{th}$  row and  $1^{st}$  column of the matrix  $Y_{i,j} = \frac{\sigma^2}{E_I} {}_1F_1(n_2-j+1;n_2-1)^{s_1}$ 

 $n_1+1; w_k)\Gamma(n_2-j+1)+\Gamma(n_2-j+2)_1F_1(n_2-j+2; n_2-n_1+1; w_i)$  and  $\alpha_l^{Ric} = b^l \sum_{k=0}^l {l \choose k} \frac{(aN_R/b)^k}{(N_R)_k}$ . The derivation is given in Appendix C and is very similar to the one given in [2]. Though we have derived the moments for the uncorrelated case in the presence of noise, similar moment expressions can be obtained for an interference-limited scenario or for Rayleigh faded correlated/unequal power interferens. These derivations are not given here due to space constraints.

## B. Moment matched approximation

Inspired by the simplicity of the results in [6], we now use the idea of moment matching to approximate the SINR/SIR random variables for our case too. If we had Rayleigh faded users and interferers as in the case of [6], the SIR would be distributed according to a beta-prime distribution, because the ratio of two gamma random variables follow a beta-prime distribution. We propose to match the first two moments of the SINR/SIR with the moments of the beta-prime distribution. As an example, let us consider the interference-limited scenario, i.e.,  $N_I > N_R$  and  $\sigma^2 = 0$ . The  $l^{th}$  moment is given by

$$\mu_{l} = \frac{e^{-\mathrm{tr}(\mathbf{\Omega})}((N_{I} - N_{R})!)^{-N_{R}}}{\prod_{i < j}^{N_{R}}(w_{i} - w_{j})} (-1)^{N_{R}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{R}} (-1)^{k+1} \times (-1)b^{l}l! (\frac{E_{D}}{E_{I}})^{l} \sum_{m=0}^{l} {l \choose m} \frac{(\frac{aN_{R}}{b})^{m} \Gamma(N_{I} - N_{R} - l + 1)}{(N_{R})_{m}} \times {}_{1}F_{1}(N_{I} - N_{R} - l + 1, N_{I} - N_{R} + 1, w_{k})|Y_{k}|, \qquad (25)$$

where  $Y_{i,j} = \Gamma(N_I - j + 2)_1 F_1(N_I - j + 2; N_I - N_R + 1; w_i)$ and  $Y_k$  is the matrix Y with  $k^{th}$  row and first column removed. The first two moments  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  of the SIR can be matched with the first two moments  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta-1}$  and  $\frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{(\beta-1)(\beta-2)}$ , respectively, of a beta prime distribution with parameters  $\alpha, \beta$ . In other words,  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta-1} = \mu_1$  and  $\frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{(\beta-1)(\beta-2)} = \mu_2$ . This implies that

$$\beta = \frac{\mu_1^2 - \mu_1 - 2\mu_2}{\mu_1^2 - \mu_2} \tag{26}$$

and

$$\alpha = \mu_1(\beta - 1). \tag{27}$$

Since the first and second moments do not involve any infinite summations, the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are obtained in closed form. These parameters can be substituted in the cumulative distribution function (CDF) of a beta-prime distributed random variable, say Z, with parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  given by [45, Eq 2]

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$$P_0(Z < z) = \frac{(\beta)_{\alpha} z^{\alpha} {}_2 F_1(\alpha + \beta, \alpha, \alpha + 1, -z)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}$$
(28)

to obtain the closed form outage expression for OC. Here,  $_2F_1(.)$  denotes the Gauss hypergeometric function [46, 15.1.1]. Similarly using the pdf of beta-prime distribution given by  $f(z) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} z^{\alpha-1} (1+z)^{-\alpha-\beta}$ , one can obtain the approximate rate as

$$R \approx \int_{0}^{\infty} \log_{2}(1+x) \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (\alpha+x)^{-\alpha-\beta} dx$$
$$= \frac{\psi(\alpha+\beta) - \psi(\beta)}{ln2}, \tag{29}$$

where  $\psi(.)$  is the di-gamma function [46, 6.3.1]. The second equality is obtained by using the integral identity [35, 4.292.14].

Here, we have considered the case of all interferers to be Rician faded. We can even consider the case of a mix of Rayleigh faded and Rician faded interferers, especially single rank non-centrality matrix  $\mathbf{MM}^{H}$  or the case of correlated interferers and do a similar moment matching to obtain the approximate outage probability and rate expressions.

#### C. Analysis using stochastic ordering

Now, we can study the impact of the Rician parameters on the approximate expressions using stochastic ordering. According to [47, Theorem 1.A.12], for two random variables X and Y with pdf f and g, respectively, if  $\mathcal{S}^{-}(g-f) = 1$ and the sign sequence is -, +, then  $X \leq_{st} Y$  or in other words  $P(X \leq x) \geq P(Y \leq y)$ , i.e., outage probability of X is greater than that of Y. Here  $S^-$  denotes the number of sign changes and  $\leq_{st}$  denotes stochastic ordering [47, 1.A.1]. In case we assume f and g to be beta-prime with parameters  $(\alpha, \beta + \delta)$  and  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , we can easily prove that the sign change from – to + occurs at  $z = \left(\frac{(\beta+\delta)_{\alpha}}{(\beta)_{\alpha}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\delta}} - 1$ , where  $(x)_y$  denotes the Pochhammer symbol [46, 13.1.2]. This implies that,  $P_0$  given by (28), evaluated using parameter  $\beta + \delta$  is greater than  $P_0$  evaluated using the parameter  $\beta$ . Similarly, we can also prove  $P_0$  evaluated using the parameter  $\alpha + \delta$  is lesser than  $P_0$  evaluated using the parameter  $\alpha$ . This method is also adopted in [48]. Since, it is intractable to directly analyze the approximate SER expressions, we'll introduce a Laplace ordering result to connect the variations in outage probability with variations in SER. Let X and Y be two non-negative random variables such that

$$\mathbb{E}[exp(sX)] \ge \mathbb{E}[exp(sY)], \quad \forall s < 0.$$
(30)

Then X is said to be smaller than Y in the Laplace transform order denoted by  $X \leq_{Lt} Y$ . According to [47, Theorem 5.A.6],  $X \leq_{St} Y$ , then  $X \leq_{Lt} Y$ . In other words,  $P(X \leq x) \geq P(Y \leq y)$  implies  $E[exp(sX)] \geq E[exp(sY)]$ . Recall that in the probability of error is given by (20), if we neglect the second term, which is usually small in magnitude, SER, by exponential approximation of Q-function, is given by

$$SER \approx \mathbb{E}_{\eta} [\sum_{l=1}^{2} a_{l} e^{-b_{l} \eta}], \qquad (31)$$

where  $a_1 = \frac{k_1}{12}$ ,  $a_2 = \frac{k_1}{4}$ ,  $b_1 = \frac{k_2}{2}$  and  $b_2 = \frac{2k_2}{3}$ . Now if  $P(X \le x) \ge P(Y \le y)$ , then by the preceding Laplace ordering result, SER for X is greater than that for Y. Though, these results actually pertain to the moment-matched  $\eta$  and not the actual  $\eta$ , we can still get some approximate trends in SER based on the variations in outage probability. We also can make the following inferences about variation of outage probability and SER with respect to fading parameters:

I1) We can observe that an increase in E<sub>I</sub>, decreases μ<sub>2</sub> and μ<sub>1</sub>, which in turn increases β. Similarly, an increase in E<sub>I</sub> decreases α. According to the previous stochastic ordering result, an increase in β and a decrease in α

increases the outage probability. By the Laplace ordering result, the SER also increases.

- I2) It is also clear that an increase in Rician parameter of the user κ decreases μ<sub>2</sub>, keeping μ<sub>1</sub> constant. This in turn increases α. Also, β increases very negligibly. Though, the stochastic ordering result cannot be used directly if both α and β increases, the increase in β is actually negligible. Hence, the outage probability decreases with increase in α due to an increase in κ. Also, by the Laplace ordering result, the SER decreases.
- I3) Also, an increase in N<sub>R</sub> or a decrease in N<sub>I</sub> decreases β and increases α. This in turn decreases the outage probability.

## VII. A SHORT EXTENSION TO $\kappa - \mu$ faded user and Rayleigh faded interferers

Recently there has been a lot of interest in studying the effect of a general fading model such as the  $\kappa - \mu$  fading model for a LoS scenario. Moreover,  $\kappa - \mu$  fading also includes Rician, Nakagami-m, Rayleigh and one-sided Gaussian as its special cases [49]. Given, the fairly complicated nature of these general fading distributions and due to unavailability of a matrix model for these distributions, it is mathematically intractable to determine any expressions considering  $\kappa - \mu$ fading in the interferers. However, it is possible to consider  $\kappa - \mu$  fading in the user and Rayleigh fading in the interferers and determine exact OP and approximate SER expressions. Recall that the SINR for OC is given by [2],  $\eta = \frac{E_D}{E_T} \mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{c}$ , where  $\mathbf{R} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_I} \mathbf{c}_i \mathbf{c}_i^H$ , where the user  $\mathbf{c}$  is  $\kappa - \mu$  faded and the interferers  $c_i$  are Rayleigh faded. We consider only the case of  $N_I > N_R$  and neglect noise in the analysis. Note that, if noise is neglected, R is a complex Wishart matrix, i.e.,  $\mathbf{R} \sim \mathcal{CW}_{N_R}(N_I, \mathbf{I}_{N_R})$ . From [50], it is known that for any  $\mathbf{R} \sim \mathcal{CW}_m(n, \mathbf{I}_m)$ , such that  $n \geq m \mathbf{SRS}^H \sim \mathcal{CW}_m(n, \mathbf{I}_m)$ for any  $m \times m$  unitary matrix **S**. Let  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{SRS}^H$  and **S** be a unitary matrix such that,  $\mathbf{S}^{H} = (\mathbf{S}_{1}^{H}, (\mathbf{c}^{H}\mathbf{c})^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{c})$  where  $\mathbf{S}_1$  is  $m \times m - 1$  matrix and  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathcal{C}^m$ . From [50], we obtain  $\mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{c}) v^{mm}$ , where the elements of  $\mathbf{V}^{-1} = (v^{jk})$ . Letting  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^{H}$ , where  $\mathbf{L} = (l_{ij})$  is a complex lower triangular matrix with positive diagonal elements, we get,  $v^{mm} = l_{mm}^{-2}$ . Using this result for the case  $m = N_R$ ,

$$\eta = \frac{E_D}{E_I} \mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{c} = \frac{E_D}{E_I} (\mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{c}) l_{N_R N_R}^{-2} = \frac{E_D}{E_I} \frac{y}{x}, \qquad (32)$$

where  $y = \mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{c}$  and  $x^{-1} = l_{N_R N_R}^{-2}$  and are independent. The pdf of  $\eta = \frac{(\mathbf{c}^H \mathbf{c})}{l_{N_R N_R}^2} \frac{E_D}{E_I} = \frac{y}{x} \frac{E_D}{E_I}$  is can now be obtained by solving the integral using using (42) as,

$$f(\eta) = \frac{\frac{E_{I}}{E_{D}}}{\Gamma(N_{R}\mu)\Gamma(a)} (\mu(1+\kappa))^{N_{R}\mu}\eta^{N_{R}\mu-1}\Gamma(N_{R}\mu+a) \times (\mu(1+\kappa)\frac{E_{I}}{E_{D}}\eta+1)^{-N_{R}\mu-a} \times {}_{1}F_{1}(N_{R}\mu+a,N_{R}\mu,\frac{N_{R}\mu^{2}\kappa(1+\kappa)\frac{E_{I}}{E_{D}}\eta+1}{\mu(1+\kappa)\frac{E_{I}}{E_{D}}\eta+1}).$$
(33)

Though there are existing results which derive the CDF of this ratio [51], [52], obtaining the pdf of SIR  $\eta$  by differentiating these CDF expressions is not straightforward. The outage probability for our case can be obtained by substituting  $\beta = a$ ,  $\lambda = 1, \mu = N_R \mu, r^a = \frac{E_I}{E_D}$  and  $T = \frac{T}{N_R}$  in [51, Eq.11], as,

$$P(\eta < T) = A\Psi_1(a + N_R\mu, 1; a + 1, N_R\mu; \\ \frac{1}{\mu(1+\kappa)T\frac{E_I}{E_D}}, \frac{N_R\mu^2(1+\kappa)T\frac{E_I}{E_D}}{\mu(1+\kappa)T\frac{E_I}{E_D}}), \quad (34)$$

where  $A = 1 - e^{-N_R \kappa \mu} \frac{\Gamma(N_R \mu + a)}{\Gamma(a+1)\Gamma(N_R \mu)} \frac{(\mu(1+\kappa)T \frac{E_I}{E_D})^{N_R \mu}}{(1+\mu(1+\kappa)T \frac{E_I}{E_D})^{a+N_R \mu}}$ and  $\Psi_1$  is the confluent Appell function [51]

We apply the following identities from [46], [53] sequentially to simplify (33): a)  $_{1}F_{1}(p + a, p, z) = e^{z} _{1}F_{1}(-a, p, -z),$ b)  $_{1}F_{1}(-a, p, -z) = \frac{a!}{(p)_{a}}L_{a}^{p-1}(-z),$  c)  $L_{a}^{p-1}(-z) = \frac{\Gamma(a+p)}{a!}\sum_{k=0}^{a}\frac{(-a)_{k}(-z)^{k}}{\Gamma(k+p)k!}$  and d)  $(-a)_{k} = \frac{a!}{(a-k)!}k!$  for  $p \in \mathbb{R}^{+}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}^{+}$ . Note, in our case  $p = N_{R}\mu$  and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}^{+}$ . Finally, using the Taylor series expansion for the exponential term and the identity for Laplace expansion  $M_n(s) =$  $\int_0^\infty e^{-s\eta} f(\eta) d(\eta)$ , we obtain

$$M_{\eta}(s) = \frac{e^{-N_{R}\kappa\mu}\Gamma(N_{R}\mu+a)}{\Gamma(N_{R}\mu)\Gamma(a)} \sum_{k=0}^{a} \frac{a!(N_{R}\mu\kappa)^{k}}{(a-k)!k!(N_{R}\mu)_{k}}$$
$$\times \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-s\eta} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{E_{I}}{E_{D}}\mu(1+\kappa)\right)^{N_{R}\mu+k+l}(N_{R}\mu\kappa)^{l}}{l!}$$
$$\times \eta^{N_{R}\mu+k+l-1}\left(1 + \frac{\mu(1+\kappa)E_{I}\eta}{E_{D}}\right)^{-N_{R}\mu-a-l-k}d\eta$$

The summation and integration can be interchanged by the direct application of Tonelli's theorem [54], since  $f_l(\eta) = (\frac{E_I}{E_D}\mu(1+\kappa))^{N_R\mu+k+l}\frac{(N_R\mu\kappa)^{k+l}}{l!}\eta^{N_R\mu+k+l-1}(\mu(1+\kappa)\frac{E_I}{E_D}\eta+1)^{-N_R\mu-a-l-k} > 0$ . We now use the integration identity  $\int_0^\infty e^{-px}x^{q-1}(1+ax)^{-v}dx = a^{-q}\Gamma(q)U(q,q+1-v,p/a)$ from [35], to obtain the Laplace expansion of  $\eta$  as,

$$M_{\eta}(s) = \frac{e^{-N_R \kappa \mu} \Gamma(N_R \mu + a)}{\Gamma(N_R \mu) \Gamma(a)} \sum_{k=0}^{a} \frac{a! (N_R \mu \kappa)^k}{(a-k)! k! (N_R \mu)_k} \times \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(N_R \mu \kappa)^l \Gamma(b)}{l!} U\left(b, 1-a, \frac{s}{\mu(1+\kappa) \frac{E_I}{E_D}}\right),$$
(35)

where  $b = N_R \mu + k + l$ . Substituting the expression for the Laplace expansion from (35) in (21), we obtain the average SER as

$$SER = \sum_{m=1}^{5} a_m \frac{e^{-N_R \kappa \mu} \Gamma(N_R \mu + a)}{\Gamma(N_R \mu) \Gamma(a)} \sum_{k=0}^{a} \frac{a!}{(a-k)!k!(N_R \mu)_k} \times \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(N_R \mu \kappa)^{k+l} \Gamma(b)}{l!} U\left(b, 1-a, \frac{b_m}{\mu(1+\kappa)\frac{E_L}{E_D}}\right),$$
(36)

where U(.) is the Tricomi Hypergeometric function [22]. Since  $U(a+1, c+1, x) < \frac{-1}{c}U(a, c, x)$  for a > 0 > c and x > 0from [55], we obtain

$$U(b, 1 - a, \frac{b_m}{\mu(1 + \kappa)\frac{E_I}{E_D}}) < \frac{U(N_R\mu + k, 1 - a - l, \frac{b_m}{\mu(1 + \kappa)\frac{E_I}{E_D}})}{(N_I - N_R)_l}$$

Also, since U(m, n - k, x) decreases monotonically with k [22],  $\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(N_R \mu \kappa)^{k+l}}{l!} \Gamma(b) U(b, 1 - a, \frac{b_m}{\mu(1+\kappa)\frac{E_I}{E_D}}) < \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(N_R \mu \kappa)^{k+l}}{l!} \Gamma(b) \frac{U(N_R \mu + k, N_R - N_I, \frac{b_m}{\mu(1+\kappa)\frac{E_I}{E_D}})}{(N_I - N_R)_l}$  which is a converging series. Hence the infinite summation can be trun-

cated to a finite series with arbitrarily low truncation error.

## VIII. NUMERICAL RESULTS

The derived SER expressions are verified using Monte-Carlo simulations. The total interference power is denoted as  $E_I''$ , from which average interference power per interferer is obtained as  $E'_I = E''_I / N_I$ . The mean energy of the received signal,  $E_D$ , is taken to be unity without loss of generality. SIR is given by  $E_D/E''_I$ . The determinant of N matrix whose entries are given by (10) is determined with the infinite summation truncated to  $T_1 = T_2 = 70$ . For a SER of  $10^{-5}$ , with  $T_1 = 100$  and  $T_2 = 100$  terms, the numerical evaluation completes in 40 seconds<sup>2</sup>. Also, for Rayleigh faded interferers, the expressions have only a single infinite series, which takes a maximum of 2 seconds for evaluation. On the other hand, Monte-Carlo simulations take close to 500 seconds. By substituting the determinant of N matrix in (9), the Laplace transform is evaluated for  $s = b_l$ ,  $\forall l = 1$  to 5. These Laplace transform values are substituted in (21) and theoretical SER is calculated for values of signal to noise ratio (SNR) in the range 5 dB to 25 dB. For the Monte-Carlo simulation, the deterministic matrix  $\mathbf{M}'$  is first obtained with unit magnitude and uniform phase, satisfying the condition  $tr(\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{M}'^{H}) = N_R N_I$ . This matrix is fixed during a set of simulations.

For the case of equal power and uncorrelated interferers, a close match between the theoretical and simulated SER is observed in Fig. 1(a) and Fig. 1(b). The exponential approximation  $Q(x) \approx \frac{1}{12}e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} + \frac{1}{4}e^{-\frac{2}{3}x^2}$ , from [44] provides a very tight upper bound for values of x > 0.5 and the bound becomes tighter as x increases. Since, for  $N_I > N_R$ , the average SINR is much lower when compared to the case  $N_R > N_I$ , we can observe a small mismatch between the theoretical and the simulated SER in Fig. 1(b). Also, the SER approximation plot in Fig. 1 is tight beyond 15 dB. For Rayleigh interferers, i.e.,  $\kappa_I = 0$ , the SER approximation computed using (23), match with the simulation results at high SNR, for  $N_R > N_I$  as seen from Fig. 1(a) and Fig. 1(a). We can also see from Fig. 1 that, when the interference power dominates the noise power, as is the case when  $E_I'' = -1 \text{ dB}$ , the SER approximation is tight even at 15 dB SNR.

<sup>2</sup>in MATLAB R2015b run in an iMac with 2.8GHz with intel i5 core and 8 GB RAM in Sierra OS

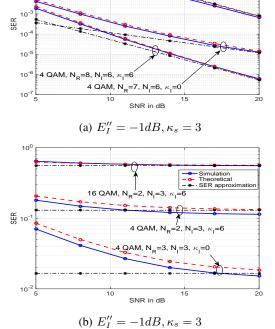
Similar Monte-Carlo simulations are performed for the case of correlated and/or unequal power interferers. The difference is that, random covariance matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  of the interference terms plus the noise term is now calculated using (12). Also note that the determinant of N matrix whose entries are given by (18). From Fig. 2(a), we can observe that for correlated Rayleigh faded interferers, SER computed by means of (17) and (18) matches the simulated values. We can also see that the approximation for  $\sigma^2 \approx 0$  computed using (24) gives good match with the simulated results for higher values of SNR. We consider exponential correlation between interferers [10], i.e.,  $\Psi(i,j) = \rho^{|i-j|}$  and  $0 \le \rho \le 1$ , where  $\Psi$  is the interferer covariance matrix. Similar results can be obtained for unequal power interferers and is not give here due to space constraints. In Fig. 3(a), we studied the case of mix of Rayleigh and Rician faded unequal power interferers. Here also, the SER approximation given by (24) gives a good match to the simulated SER for high SNR values. For Rayleigh faded interferers with unequal power and  $N_I > N_R$ , the approximation in Section IV.B gives a fairly good match to the theoretical values as seen from Fig. 3(b), as long as the interferer powers do not vary widely.

It is known that OC trades off the effect of noise and interference at the receiver. In the absence of noise it maximizes the average SIR and specializes to a ZF receiver, which is the ideal receiver for interference cancellation. In the presence of noise, OC balances between noise cancellation and interference cancellation. This results in a sub-optimal average SIR. A better SIR translates to a lower SER and hence we observe a lower SER for both 4-QAM and 16 QAM, for  $N_I > N_R$  and  $\sigma^2 = 0$ . This is captured by the fact that SER approximation that assumes  $\sigma^2 = 0$  forms a lower bound for the SER values of  $N_I > N_R$  with non-zero  $\sigma^2$ . This can be observed in Fig. 1(b). Also, note that the bound becomes tighter for large values of SNR. In this regime, OC mimics the performance of ZF. In the case of  $N_R > N_I$ , the approximation is ad-hoc and computationally less intensive due to the absence of determinant evaluation.

The variation of the outage probability is shown in Fig. 4(a) for changes in  $N_R$  and  $N_I$ . As discussed in I3, the outage probability decreases with an increase in  $N_R$  or a decrease in  $N_I$ . Also, as discussed in I1, the outage probability decreases with a decrease in  $E_I$ . In Fig. 4(b),  $\kappa_I$ , the Rician parameter of the interferers is varied. We can observe that the outage probability decreases with a decrease with a decrease in  $\kappa_I$ . Finally, the Monte-Carlo simulations and approximate expressions for rate are shown in Fig. 5. We can observe that the rate increases with an increase in  $N_R$  or SNR or a decrease in  $N_I$ . Finally, from Fig. 6 and 7, we can observe that the OP expressions (34) and SER expressions (36) for  $\kappa - \mu$  fading users match the simulations.

#### IX. APPLICATIONS

Device-to-device (D2D) communication enables a pair of closely located mobile users to establish a direct link for their user-plane traffic without going through the entire network infrastructure, while reusing the spectrum allocated for



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Fig. 1: SER for  $N_R \ge N_I$  and  $N_R \le N_I$ 

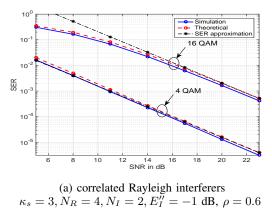
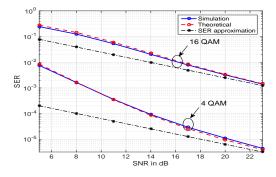


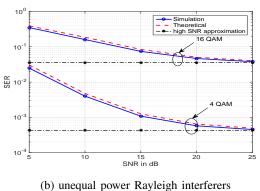
Fig. 2: SER for correlated Rayleigh interferers

traditional cellular communication. Due to the existence of a LoS component, it is appropriate to model D2D links by Rician fading. In fact, in [56] and references therein, several performance metrics were analyzed in Rician fading D2D systems. In D2D underlying cellular networks, strong interference may occur between cellular and D2D links sharing the same spectrum. To mitigate the interference, many resource allocation schemes have been proposed in [56]–[58]. Similar to [56], we consider a D2D-enabled communications network, where M single-antenna cellular users (CUE) perform highcapacity uplink cellular communications with the base station (BS) with  $N_R$  antennas. In [56]–[58], only one antenna at BS is considered. But it makes practical sense to consider the BS to be equipped with more than one antenna. Also, consider K

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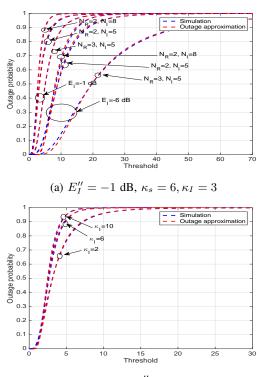


(a) mixture of two Rician and two Rayleigh interferers  $\kappa_s = 2, \kappa_i = 5, N_R = 5, N_I = 4, E''_I = -1, -1, 5, -2, -2.5 \text{ dB}$ 



(b) inequal power Kayleign interfeters  $\kappa_s = 2, N_R = 3, N_I = 5, E_I'' = -6, -9, -10, -10, -10$ dB

Fig. 3: SER for unequal power Rayleigh/Rician interferers



(b)  $N_R = 2, N_I = 5, E_I'' = -1$  dB,  $\kappa_s = 6$ 

Fig. 4: Outage probability for Rician interferers

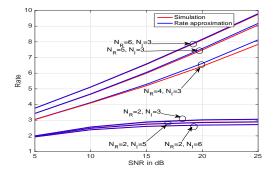


Fig. 5: Rate vs SNR,  $\kappa_s = 8$ ,  $\kappa_I = 3$ ,  $E_I = -4$  dB

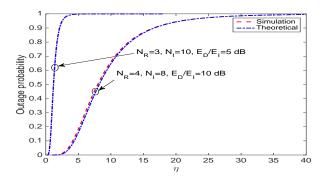
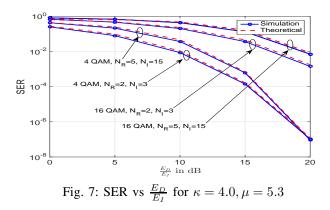


Fig. 6: Outage probability for  $\kappa - \mu$  faded users  $\kappa = 1.5, \mu = 4.0$ 



pairs of single-antenna users doing local data exchange in the form of D2D communications. These are denoted as DUEs or D2D users. The K DUEs can reuse the M sub-channels in the underlay mode. Since the BS is equipped with more than one antenna, the interference at the BS can be cancelled by means of OC.

Let  $\mathbf{h}_{m,B}$  denote the  $N_R \times 1$  Rician channel (with Rician factor  $\kappa_{m,B}$ ) from the  $m^{th}$  CUE to the BS.  $h_k$  denotes the channel fast fading coefficient between the kth DUE pair. Due to the presence of strong LoS component between the D2D receiver (Rx) and transmitter (Tx),  $h_k$  is assumed to be Rician with Rician factor  $\kappa$  as in [56].  $\mathbf{h}_{k,B}$  denote the  $N_R \times 1$  interferer channel fast fading coefficients from the kth DUE Tx to BS.  $h_{m,k}$  denotes the channel fast fading coefficient (with Rician factor  $\kappa_{m,k}$ ) from the mth CUE to

the the Rx of the *k*th DUE. This alone is assumed to be Rayleigh faded as in [56]. Also, let  $s_{m,B}$ ,  $s_k$ ,  $s_{k,B}$  and  $s_{m,k}$ denote the corresponding slow fading coefficients. Since we consider a high-speed scenario where fast-fadings are difficult to estimate and only slow-fadings are available, we can assume the slow-fadings to be known constants and the fast-fadings to be random variables. Denote the CUE set as  $\mathcal{M} = \{1, ..., M\}$ and the DUE set as  $\mathcal{K} = \{1, ..., K\}$ . The SINR at the output of OC at the BS is

$$\gamma_m^c = P_m^c s_{m,B} \mathbf{h}_{m,B}^H (\sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \rho_{m,k} P_k^d s_{k,B} \mathbf{h}_{k,B} \mathbf{h}_{k,B}^H + \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{h}_{m,E}$$

and the SINR at the the kth D2D Rx is

$$\gamma_k^d = \frac{P_k^d s_k |h_k|^2}{\sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}} \rho_{m,k} P_m^c s_{m,k} |h_{m,k}|^2 + \sigma^2},$$
(37)

where  $P_m^c$  and  $P_k^d$  denote transmit powers of the *m*th CUE and the *k*th DUE, respectively,  $\sigma^2$  is the noise power and  $\rho_{m,k}$  is the spectrum allocation indicator with  $\rho_{m,k} = 1$ indicating the *k*th DUE reuses the spectrum of the *m*th CUE and  $\rho_{m,k} = 0$  otherwise. The ergodic capacity of the *m*th CUE is given by  $C_m = \mathbb{E}[\log_2(1+\gamma_m^c)]$ . We maximize the sum ergodic capacity of *M* CUEs while guaranteeing the minimum reliability for each DUE. In addition, we set a minimum capacity requirement for each CUE. The reliability of DUEs is guaranteed through controlling the probability of outage events, where its received SINR  $\gamma_k^d$  is below a predetermined threshold  $\gamma_0^d$ . Hence the radio resource allocation problem in vehicular networks is formulated as [56], [57]

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\substack{\rho_{m,k}P_m^c, P_k^d \ m \in \mathcal{M}}} & \mathbb{E}[\log_2(1+\gamma_m^c)], \\ \text{s.t.} & \mathbb{E}[\log_2(1+\gamma_m^c)] \ge r_0^c, \ \forall m \in \mathcal{M}, \\ & Pr\{\gamma_k^d \le \gamma_0^d\} \le p_0, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}, \\ & 0 \le P_m^c \le P_{max}^c, \forall m \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } 0 \le P_k^d \le P_{max}^d, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}, \\ & \sum_{\forall m \in \mathcal{M}} \rho_{m,k} \le 1, \ \rho_{m,k} \in \{0,1\}, \ \forall m \in \mathcal{M}, \\ & \sum_{\forall k \in \mathcal{K}} \rho_{m,k} \le 1, \ \rho_{m,k} \in \{0,1\}, \ \forall k \in \mathcal{K}, \end{aligned}$$
(38)

where  $r^c$  is the minimum capacity requirement of the rate intensive CUEs and  $\gamma_0^d$  is the minimum SINR needed by the DUEs to establish a reliable link.  $p_0$  is the tolerable outage probability of the D2D links.  $P_{max}^c$  and  $P_{max}^d$  are the maximum transmit powers of the CUE and DUE, respectively. The last two constraints mathematically model the assumption that the spectrum of one CUE can only be shared with a single DUE and one DUE is only allowed to access the spectrum of a single CUE.

The power allocation problem can be written for kth DUE sharing the band of the mth CUE as

$$\max_{\substack{P_m^c, P_k^d}} \mathbb{E}[\log_2(1+\gamma_m^c)],$$
  
s.t.  $Pr\{\gamma_k^d \le \gamma_0^d\} \le p_0,$   
 $0 \le P_m^c \le P_{max}^c$  and  $0 \le P_k^d \le P_{max}^d.$  (39)

Since the D2D links are Rician and the link between the the CUE and Rx of the D2D link is Rayleigh as in [56], the

reliability constraint of the kth DUE,  $Pr\{\gamma_k^d \leq \gamma_0^d\} \leq p_0$ , is given by [56, Eq 6]  $P(\gamma_k^d \leq \gamma_0^d) = \frac{\theta}{\theta+1}e^{-\frac{\kappa}{\theta+1}} = f(\theta)$ , where  $\theta = \frac{\gamma_0^d P_m^c s_{m,k}}{P_k^d s_k}$ . From [56, Eq.9], we can obtain an upper bound of  $P_m^c$  as  $P_m^c \leq \frac{s_k \theta_0}{s_{m,k} \gamma_0^d} P_k^d$ , where  $\theta_0 = f^{-1}(p_0)$ and  $\beta = \frac{s_k \theta_0}{s_{m,k} \gamma_0^d}$ . Using the same reasoning as in [56], the optimal power allocation is obtained as

$$(P_m^{c^*}, P_k^{d^*}) = \begin{cases} (P_{max}^c, \frac{P_{max}^c}{\beta}), \text{ if } \beta > \frac{P_{max}^c}{P_{max}^d}, \\ (P_{max}^d, P_{max}^d), \text{ if } \beta < \frac{P_{max}^c}{P_{max}^d}. \end{cases}$$
(40)

With the optimal power allocations  $(P_m^{c^*}, P_k^{d^*})$ , under each given channel allocation, we aim to maximize the cellular rates by searching over all possible channel allocation schemes. We first determine the ergodic capacity of mth CUE when it shares spectrum with kth DUE is  $C_{m,k}$  for a power allocation  $(P_m^{c^*}, P_k^{d^*})$ . Since, OC is used at the BS, the rate  $C_{m,k}(P_m^{c^*}, P_k^{d^*}) = \mathbb{E}[\log_2(1+\gamma_m^{c^*})], \text{ where } \gamma_m^{c^*} \text{ is the SINR}$ at the output of OC for the power allocation  $(P_m^{c^*}, P_k^{d^*})$ . This rate can be easily determined by means of the rate expressions (29). Without the rate expressions, it wouldn't have been possible to consider an interference cancellation scheme like OC at the BS. To guarantee the minimum transmission rates for CUEs and DUEs, we have to exclude those CUE-DUE pairs unable to meet the rate requirements even with the optimal transmitting powers. This condition is interpreted as  $\rho_{m,k} = 0$  if the pairing of CUE m with DUE k violates the rate constraints. If for one such pair (m, k),  $C_{m,k}(P_m^{c^*}, P_k^{d^*})$ is lesser than the minimum rate  $r_0^c$ , then the rate is replaced by  $-\infty$ . The exact procedure is as discussed in [57], [58]. Hence,

$$C_{m,k}^{*} = \begin{cases} C_{m,k}(P_{m}^{c^{*}}, P_{k}^{d^{*}}), \text{ if } C_{m,k}(P_{m}^{c^{*}}, P_{k}^{d^{*}}) \ge r_{0}^{c}, \\ -\infty, \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(41)

The spectrum allocation problem becomes

$$\max_{\substack{\rho_{m,k} \\ m \in \mathcal{M}}} \sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}} C_{m,k}^*,$$

$$\sum_{\forall m \in \mathcal{M}} \rho_{m,k} \le 1, \ \rho_{m,k} \in \{0,1\}, \ \forall m \in \mathcal{M},$$

$$\sum_{\forall k \in \mathcal{K}} \rho_{m,k} \le 1, \ \rho_{m,k} \in \{0,1\}, \ \forall k \in \mathcal{K}.$$

This is a maximum weight bipartite matching problem and can be solved by the Hungarian method as in [56]–[58]. Simulation results are presented to evaluate the performance of joint power and channel allocation scheme. The simulation parameters are as follows: M = 40, N = 20,  $r_0^c = 0.1$ bps/Hz,  $\gamma_0 = 5$ dB,  $p_0 = 0.1$ ,  $P_{max}^c = P_{max}^d = 25$  dBm and  $\kappa_{m,B} = \kappa_{k,B} = 0.1$ . BS antenna gain is 8dBi and the user antenna gain is 3 dBi. The noise power is  $\sigma^2 = -114$  dBm. The loss exponents of the links to the BS and user antenna are 3.76 and 2.27, respectively and the shadow fading standard deviations are 8 dB and 3dB, respectively. It can be observed from the Table I that the sum rate in bps/Hz increases with increase in  $N_R$  and the Rician factor  $\kappa$  between the D2D pairs. Also, the utility of our expressions lies in the fact that it can be used in any application, where the user and interferers undergo

$\kappa$	Sum rate of CUE for $N_R = 3$	Sum rate of CUE for $N_R = 2$
0	815.6465	780.0624
0.5	816.7338	781.1835
1	818.1748	782.7159
2	819.3933	783.8709
3	819.4748	783.9478

TABLE I: Sum rate of CUE in bps/Hz

Rician fading and OC is employed such as this application and Vehicular Ad-hoc Network (VANET).

#### X. CONCLUSIONS

Approximate SER, outage probability and rate expressions have been derived for OC for the case of Rician faded users and a) Rician faded interferers, b) mixture of Rician and Rayleigh faded interferers and c) Rayleigh faded interferers when the interferers are correlated/uncorrelated and have equal or unequal powers. SER is also derived for an interferencelimited scenario and the expressions obtained are significantly simpler than the existing expressions. The Monte-Carlo simulation closely match the derived results. We believe extending this analysis to take into account receiver side correlation may be interesting future work. An application where our results have significant utility is also discussed.

## APPENDIX A SIMPLIFICATION OF $N_{i,j}$

We first substitute the value of h(t,x) from (6) for  $N_{ij}$ j = 1 and then use the following identities [35], for p < qand Re(s) > 0,

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-x} x^{s-1} {}_{p} F_{q}(a_{1}, ..., a_{p}; b_{1}, ..., b_{q}; ax) dx$$
  
=  $\Gamma(s) {}_{p+1} F_{q}(s, a_{1}, ..., a_{p}; b_{1}, ..., b_{q}; a), \quad (42)$ 

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x} x^{s-1} dx = \Gamma(s), \tag{43}$$

to solve the integrals in  $N_{i,j}$  entries for  $j = 2, ..., n_1$  in (9). For j = 1, i = 1, ..., L and  $i = L + 1, ..., n_1$ , the integrals to be solved are of the form,

$$I = \int_0^\infty \frac{p+x}{v-x} e^{-x} x^z ({}_0F_1(q, w_i x)) ({}_1F_1(1; N_R; \frac{u}{x-v})) dx,$$
(44)

where  $p = \sigma^2/E_I$ ,  $q = n_2 - n_1 + 1$ ,  $u = aN_RsE_D/E_I$ ,  $v = bsE_D/E_I - \sigma^2/E_I$  and z is a positive integer greater than zero. To obtain a solution for I, we substitute the series expansion for  $_0F_1$  and  $_1F_1$ , and interchange summations and integration. The integral to be solved becomes,

$$I = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \left[ \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^l(1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \int_0^\infty \frac{p+x}{v-x} e^{-x} \frac{x^{k+z}}{(x-v)^l} dx \right].$$
(45)

The justification for the interchange of summations and integration can be done in two steps. We first expand the  $_0F_1$  term and apply Tonelli's theorem to justify the exchange of the first summation. The  $_1F_1$  term is now expanded and the summation is interchanged with the integration using Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem. Let  $A1 = \int_0^\infty \frac{p}{v-x} e^{-x} \frac{x^{k+z}}{(x-v)^l} dx$  and  $A2 = \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{v-x} e^{-x} \frac{x^{k+z}}{(x-v)^l} dx$ . The Tricomi function or confluent Hyper-geometric function of the second kind is given by [35],  $U(\alpha, \gamma, z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty e^{-zt} t^{\alpha-1} (1+t)^{\gamma-\alpha-1} dt$  for  $\operatorname{Re}(\alpha) > 0$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(z) > 0$ . In our case -v > 0 and k + z > 0. Hence using the above identity,  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  can be simplified as,

$$A1 = -p\Gamma(k+z+1)(-v)^{l-k-z}U(k+z+1,k+z+1-l,-v),$$
(46)  

$$A2 = -\Gamma(k+z+2)(-v)^{l-k-z-1}U(k+z+2,k+z+2-l,-v).$$

(47) Further, using the functional identity  $U(a, b, z) = z^{1-b}U(a - b + 1, 2 - b, z)$  from [46], (46) and (47) are simplified and

substituted back in (45) to obtain,

$$I = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \left[ \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^l(1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \left[ -\Gamma(k+z+2) \times U(l+1, l-k-z, -v) - p\Gamma(k+z+1)U(l+1, -k-z+l+1, -v) \right] \right].$$
(48)

To reduce the computation time, we can use the recurrence identity for Tricomi hypergeometric functions given in [59]. To prove the convergence of the above infinite summation, first consider the summation  $I_1 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \left[ \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{|u|^l (1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \Gamma(k+z+2)U(l+1,l-k-z,-v) \right].$ From Theorem 3 in [60], we get the identity  $U(a,b,x) < x^{-a}$  for x > 0, a > 0 and a - b + 1 > 0. In our case, we can see that a = l + 1 > 0 and a - b + 1 = k + z + 2 > 0 and x = -v > 0. Therefore,

$$I_{1} < \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_{i}^{k}}{(q)_{k}k!} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{|u|^{l}(1)_{l}}{(N_{R})_{l}l!} \Gamma(k+z+2)(-v)^{l+1}$$
  
=  $(-v)\Gamma(z+2) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_{i}^{k}(z+2)_{k}}{(q)_{k}k!} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{|uv|^{l}(1)_{l}}{(N_{R})_{l}l!}$   
=  $(-v)\Gamma(z+2) {}_{1}F_{1}(z+2,q,w_{i}) {}_{1}F_{1}(1,N_{R},|uv|).$ 

The last equality is obtained from the series expansion definition of  ${}_1F_1$  Hypergeometric function [46]. A similar argument can be used to prove the absolute convergence of the other infinite summation. Hence, I is convergent, which implies that we can truncate the double summation to  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  values such that  $I - \sum_{l=0}^{T_1} \sum_{k=0}^{T_2} \frac{u^l}{(N_R)_l} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k} \left[ -(k+1)U(l+1,l-k,-v) - pU(l+1,-k+l+1,-v) \right] \leq \epsilon$  for any  $\epsilon > 0$ . Hence, the simplified  $N_{i,j}$  entry is given by (10).

#### Analysis of truncation error

An exact analysis of the truncation error is mathematically intractable. So, we upper bound the truncation error by an upper bound and determine how the bound varies with various parameters. The magnitude of the error in truncation is

$$\begin{split} E(T_1, T_2) &= \Big| \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^l (1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \Gamma(k+z+2) \\ & U(l+1, l-k-z, -v) - \sum_{k=0}^{T_1} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \sum_{l=0}^{T_2} \frac{u^l (1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \\ & \Gamma(k+z+2) U(l+1, l-k-z, -v) \Big|. \end{split}$$

From Theorem 3 in [60], we get the identity  $U(a, b, x) < x^{-a}$ for x > 0, a > 0 and a - b + 1 > 0. In our case, we can see that a = l + 1 > 0 and a - b + 1 = k + z + 2 > 0and x = -v > 0. Hence, the truncation error can be upper bounded by

$$E(T_1, T_2) < |v| \sum_{k=0}^{T_1} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \left[ \sum_{l=T_2+1}^{\infty} \frac{|uv|^l (1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \Gamma(k+z+2) \right] + |v| \sum_{k=T_1+1}^{\infty} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \left[ \sum_{l=0}^{T_2} \frac{|uv|^l (1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \Gamma(k+z+2) \right] + |v| \sum_{k=T_1+1}^{\infty} \frac{w_i^k}{(q)_k k!} \left[ \sum_{l=T_2+1}^{\infty} \frac{|u|^l (1)_l}{(N_R)_l l!} \Gamma(k+z+2) \right]$$

Combining the last two terms, then upper-bounding the first term, and finally using hypergeometric expansion identity for  $_1F_1$ , we obtain

$$E(T_1, T_2) < |v| \Gamma(z+2) [ {}_1F_1(z+2, q, w_i) \frac{|uv|^{T_2+1}}{(N_R)_{T_2+1}}$$
  
  ${}_1F_1(1, N_R + T_2 + 1, |uv|) + \frac{(z+2)_{T_1+1} w_i^{T_1+1}}{(q)_{T_1+1}(T_1+1)!}$   
  ${}_1F_1(1, N_R, |uv|)$   
  ${}_2F_2(z+T_1+3, 1, q+T_1+1, T_1+2, w_i)].$ 

As the Rician factor  $\kappa_i$  at the interferers decreases, the eigenvalues of the centrality matrix  $\mathbf{MM}^H$ , given by  $w_i$ , decreases. Therefore,  $E(T_1, T_2)$  decreases and the bound becomes tighter. This implies that we need lesser terms in the infinite summation as  $\kappa_i$  increases. Also, observe that a decrease in |u| or |v| decreases  $E(T_1, T_2)$ . A decrease in |u| or |v| is true for an increase in  $E_I$  or  $\sigma^2$ .

## APPENDIX B APPROXIMATION FOR RAYLEIGH INTERFERERS

Consider the expression to be simplified,  $M_{\eta}(s) = c|\mathbf{N}_{\sigma^2=0,L=0}|$ , where

$$c = \frac{((n_2 - n_1)!)^{-n_1}}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_1} (n_1 - i)!} (-1)^{N_R} (\sigma^2 / E_I)^{(N_R - n_1)}$$

and  $N_{\sigma^2=0,L=0}$  is from (10) for L = 0. First, the common terms inside each column or row of the determinant are taken out of the determinant and canceled with the existing terms in the constant *c*. All columns  $j = 2, ..., n_1$  are flipped and all rows  $i = 1, ..., n_1$  are flipped. The term  $\Gamma(n_2 - n_1 + i + j - 1)$ 

is then removed from each row to obtain  $\tilde{N}$ . Now,  $M_{\eta}(s) = c|\tilde{N}|$ , where

$$c = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^{n_1} (n_2 - n_1 + i)! \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{E_I}\right)^{(N_R - n_1)}}{\prod_{i=1}^{n_1} (n_1 - i)! \prod_{i=1}^{n_1} (n_2 - i)!} (-1)^{N_R + 1}, \quad (49)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{N}}_{i,j} = \begin{cases} A(i) & j = 1, \ i = 1, \dots, n_1, \\ 1, & j = 2, \ i = 1, \dots, n_1, \\ \prod_{k=1}^{j-2} (n_2 - n_1 + i + k), & j = 3, \dots, n_1, 1 \le i \le n_1, \end{cases}$$

$$(50)$$
where  $A(i) = \frac{1}{(n_2 - n_1 + i)!} \left[ \sum_{l=0}^{T_1} \frac{(aN_R sE_D / E_I)^l}{(N_R)_l} \right]$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\Gamma(n_2 - N_R + i + 1)U(l + 1, l - n_2 + N_R - i + 1, -bsE_D/E_I) \\ -\sum_{t=1}^{N_R - n_1} \frac{1F_1(t; N_R; aN_R sE_D/(-bsE_D)}{(bsE_D/E_I)^t} \Gamma(t + n_2 - N_R + i) \end{bmatrix}$$

From [61], shifted factorials are defined by,

$$(z)_{s;n} = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0, \\ z(z+s)....(z+(n-1)s), & n = 1, 2, ... \end{cases}$$
(51)

A special case of this is the Pochhammer's symbols, when s = 1.

$$(z)_n = (z)_{1;n} = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 0, \\ z(z+1)....(z+(n-1)), & n = 1, 2, ... \end{cases}$$
(52)

In our case, in the  $\tilde{\mathbf{N}}$  matrix, we have such Pochhammer's symbols in all columns except in the first. From [61, Lemma.1], we have the relation that determinant of a matrix with  $ij^{th}$  element for  $0 \le i, j \le n - 1$ , being a shifted factorial  $(z_j)_{s;i}$  is given by  $|(z_j)_{s;i}| = \Delta_n(\mathbf{z})$ , where  $\Delta_n(\mathbf{z}) =$  $\prod_{0 \le i < j \le n-1} (z_j - z_i)$ . Evaluating  $|\tilde{\mathbf{N}}|$  by Laplace expansion along the first column and using the above relation from [61], we get

$$\tilde{\mathbf{N}}| = \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (-1)^{i+1} A(i) \Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z}),$$
(53)

where  $\mathbf{z} = [n_2 - n_1 + 1 + 1, n_2 - n_1 + 1 + 2, \dots, n_2 - n_1 + 1 + n_1]$ and  $\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(z)$  is the Vandermonde determinant formed by all elements of the vector  $\mathbf{z}$  except the  $i^{th}$  element. Any Vandermonde determinant remains unchanged if from each element of the matrix, one subtracts the same constant, i.e.,  $\Delta_n(\mathbf{z} + c) = \prod_{0 \le k < j \le n-1} ((z_j + c) - (z_k + c)) =$  $\prod_{0 \le k < j \le n-1} (z_j - z_k)$ . Hence, the constant  $n_2 - n_1 + 1$  can be subtracted from each element of the vector  $\mathbf{z}$ . Hence,

$$|\tilde{\mathbf{N}}| = \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (-1)^{i+1} A(i) \Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z}),$$
(54)

where  $\mathbf{z} = [1, ..., n_1]$ . The Vandermonde determinant  $\Delta_n(\mathbf{z})$ , whose nodes are given by first  $n_1$  integers, i.e.,  $\mathbf{z} = [1, ..., n_1]$ , is given by  $\Delta_n(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{1 \le k < j \le n_1} (j - k)$ . For simplifying this expression, we expand the double product as follows:

$$\Delta_n(\mathbf{z}) = (n_1 - 1)!(n_1 - 2)!...(1)! = \prod_{j=1}^{n_1} (j - 1)!.$$
 (55)

However, we actually want to evaluate  $\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z})$  and not  $\Delta_n(\mathbf{z})$ . Note that the Vandermonde determinant  $\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z})$  in

which the  $i^{th}$  element is missing, is given by,  $\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{1 \le k < j \le n_1; k, j \ne i} (j - k)$ . Note that the above expression is difficult to evaluate. Hence, to obtain a simplified expression we multiply and divide the expression for  $\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z})$  by the terms that are present in  $\Delta_{n_1}(\mathbf{z})$ , but are missing in  $\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z})$ . We thus obtain,

$$\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{\prod_{1 \le k < j \le n_1;} (j-k)}{(i-1)!(n_1-i)!}.$$

Substituting (55) in the above expression, we obtain,  $\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z})$  in terms of  $\Delta_{n_1}(\mathbf{z})$  as,

$$\Delta_{n_1-1}^i(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{\Delta_{n_1}(\mathbf{z})}{(i-1)!(n_1-i)!} = \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{n_1}(j-1)!}{(i-1)!(n_1-i)!}$$

Hence the final expression becomes (11).

## APPENDIX C MOMENTS OF SINR

For the case of  $L = n_1$  we will derive the  $l^{th}$  moment. The mgf equation for this case can be written as

$$M_{\eta}(s) = c \sum_{k=1}^{n_1} (-1)^{k+1} \rho_k |Y_k|,$$
(56)

where 
$$\rho_k = \int_0^\infty (\frac{\sigma^2}{E_L} + x)e^{-x}x^{n_2-N_R} {}_0F_1(n_2 - n_1 + 1; w_k x) \frac{{}_1F_1(1;N_R; \frac{a_{N_R}s}{xE_L/E_D + \sigma^2/E_D - bs})}{(bsE_D/E_L - \sigma^2/E_L - x)} dx - \sum_{t=1}^{N_R - n_1} \frac{{}_1F_1(t;N_R; a_{N_R}sE_D/(\sigma^2 - bsE_D)}{(bsE_D/E_L - \sigma^2/E_L)^t} \times \left[ \frac{\sigma^2}{E_L} \Gamma(t + n_2 - N_R) {}_1F_1(t + n_2 - N_R; n_2 - n_1 + 1; w_k) + \Gamma(t + n_2 - N_R + 1) {}_1F_1(t + n_2 - N_R + 1; n_2 - n_1 + 1; w_l) \right],$$
  
 $Y_{i,j} = \frac{\sigma^2}{E_L} {}_1F_1(n_2 - j + 1; n_2 - n_1 + 1; w_k) \Gamma(n_2 - j + 1) + \Gamma(n_2 - j + 2; n_2 - n_1 + 1; w_l) \Gamma(n_2 - j + 1) + \Gamma(n_2 - j + 2; n_2 - n_1 + 1; w_l)$  and  $Y_k$  is the matrix  $Y$  with  $k^{th}$  row and first column removed. The  $l^{th}$  moment is given by  $\mu_l = \frac{d^l}{ds^l} M_\eta(s)|_{s=0}$ . We need to evaluate  $\frac{d^l}{ds^l} \rho_k$ . We use the relations in [2] to evaluate the differential and obtain,  $\frac{d^l}{dsl} \rho_k|_{s=0} = -\alpha_l^{Ric} d_l$  where  $\alpha_l^{Ric} = b^l \sum_{k=0}^l {l \choose k} \frac{(a_{N_R/b})^k}{(N_R)_k}$ 

$$d_{l} = l! \left(\frac{E_{D}}{E_{I}}\right)^{l} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(w_{k})^{n} \Gamma(n_{2} - N_{R} + n + 1)}{(q)_{n} n!}$$

$$U(l, l - n_{2} + N_{R} - n, \frac{\sigma^{2}}{E_{I}})$$

$$+ \sum_{t=1}^{N_{R} - n_{1}} (t)_{l} \left(-\frac{E_{I}}{\sigma^{2}}\right)^{t} \left(\frac{E_{D}}{\sigma^{2}}\right)^{l} \left[\frac{\sigma^{2}}{E_{I}} \Gamma(t + n_{2} - N_{R})\right]$$

$${}_{1}F_{1}(t + n_{2} - N_{R}; q; w_{k})$$

$$+ \Gamma(t + n_{2} - N_{R} + 1)_{1}F_{1}(t + n_{2} - N_{R} + 1; q; w_{i}).$$
(57)

### APPENDIX D

#### CORRELATED AND/OR UNEQUAL POWER INTERFERERS

The determinant evaluation of  $|\mathbf{N}|$  can be significantly simplified for  $\sigma^2 \approx 0$ . We first substitute  $\sigma^2 = 0$  in  $N_{i,j}$ , to obtain

$$\mathbf{N}_{i,j} = \begin{cases} B(i), \quad j = 1, \, i = 1, ..., N_I, \\ r_i^{N_R - j + 2} \Gamma(N_R - j + 2), \quad j = 2, ..., N_I, \, i = 1, ..., N_I \end{cases}$$

where  $B(i) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{(aN_rs)^l}{(N_R)_l} (|bsE_D|^{-l+1}U(2, 2 - l, r_i|bsE_D|)) - \sum_{t=1}^{N_R-N_I} \frac{1F_1(t;N_R;\frac{aN_Rs}{-bs})}{(bsE_D)^t} (r_i^{t+1}\Gamma(t + 1)).$ By taking  $r_i^{N_r-N_I+2}$  and common gamma terms outside the determinant term we obtain,  $M_\eta(s) \approx c|\mathbf{N}|$ , where  $c = \frac{(-1)^{N_R}(\sigma^2)^{(N_R-N_I)}(-1)^{\frac{1}{2}N_I(N_I-1)}|\Psi|^{-N_R}}{\prod_{i<j}^{N_I}(\frac{1}{r_i}-\frac{1}{r_j})\prod_{k=1}^{N_I}(N_R-k)!} \times \prod_{i=1}^{N_I} r_i^{N_R-N_I+2} \prod_{j=2}^{N_I} \Gamma(N_R-j+2),$ 

$$\mathbf{N}_{i,j} = \begin{cases} B(i)r_i^{-N_R+N_I-2}, & j = 1, i = 1, ..., N_I, \\ r_i^{N_I-j}, & j = 2, ..., N_I, i = 1, ..., N_I. \end{cases}$$

Expanding along the first column, we obtain an approximation for the Laplace transform for  $\sigma^2 = 0$  as,  $M_{\eta}(s) \approx c \sum_{i=1}^{N_I} (-1)^{i+1} B(i) r_i^{-N_R+N_I-2} |V^i(\mathbf{r})|$ , where  $V^i(\mathbf{r})$  denotes the Vandermonde matrix formed from all elements of  $\mathbf{r} = (r_1, r_2, ..., r_{N_I})$  except the  $i^{th}$  element. Note that, we do not substitute  $\sigma^2 \approx 0$  in the *c* term but only in the  $|\mathbf{N}|$  term, to obtain the approximation.

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