

Interference and Coverage Analysis in Coexisting RF and Dense TeraHertz Wireless Networks

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Abstract—This paper develops a stochastic geometry framework to characterize the statistics of the downlink interference and coverage probability of a typical user in a coexisting terahertz (THz) and radio frequency (RF) network. We first characterize the exact Laplace Transform (LT) of the aggregate interference and coverage probability of a user in a THz-only network. Then, for a coexisting RF/THz network, we derive the coverage probability of a typical user considering biased received signal power association (BRSP). The framework can be customized to capture the performance of a typical user in various network configurations such as THz-only, opportunistic RF/THz, and hybrid RF/THz. In addition, asymptotic approximations are presented for scenarios where the intensity of THz BSs becomes large or molecular absorption coefficient in THz approaches to zero. Numerical results demonstrate the accuracy of the derived expressions and extract insights related to the significance of the BRSP association compared to the conventional reference signal received power (RSRP) association in the coexisting network.

Index Terms—Terahertz (THz), interference, coverage probability, stochastic geometry, Poisson point process (PPP).

I. INTRODUCTION

The potential of using higher frequency spectrum such as terahertz (THz) in the sixth generation (6G) wireless networks is evident [1]. THz frequencies offer ample spectrum, multi Gigabit-per-second (Gbps) data rates, and highly secure transmissions. Nonetheless, compared to conventional radio frequency (RF), THz transmissions incur high propagation loss mainly due to molecular absorption resulting from water vapors or oxygen molecules, thus significantly limiting the communication distance. THz spectrum is thus complementary to conventional RF spectrum. Recent advancements have made it possible to mount THz transceivers on smart phones, e.g., Fujitsu who introduced a compact 300 GHz transceiver capable of 20 Gbps data stream. [2].

To date, most of the research works considered analyzing the performance of a given THz transmission link [1] or THz-only network [3]–[5]. For instance, the authors in [1] derived a closed-form expression of the outage probability and ergodic capacity considering a THz wireless fiber extender system (i.e., a single transmission link) with ideal and nonideal RF front-end. Using tools from stochastic geometry and considering interference limited regime, the authors derived the mean interference in a THz-only network [3]. However, the closed-form expression of the mean interference was neither applicable for a general case, nor the expression was applied to the outage analysis. Instead, the authors approximate the distribution of the interference with log-logistic distribution to overcome the intractable outage calculation. Nevertheless, as the authors mentioned, the use of log-logistic approximation might not be accurate in all scenarios. Similarly, [4] considered Taylor expansion and calculated the approximations for mean and variance of signal-to interference-plus-noise ratio (SINR). In [5], the authors analyzed the reliability and endto-end latency considering a THz-only network with finite number of BSs. The interference was approximated with a normal distribution. The authors in [6] derived the approximate coverage probability in a single-tier network, where BSs can use either RF or THz.

To our best knowledge, none of the aforementioned research works presented a comprehensive analytic framework to characterize the exact interference statistics and coverage probability of users in a THz-only network or a coexisting two-tier RF and dense THz network

Using stochastic geometry, this paper characterizes the statistics of the downlink interference and rate coverage probability of a typical user in a coexisting RF/THz network. The proposed framework can be customized for various network configurations, including (i) THz-only network where only TBSs exist and users associate to their nearest BS, (ii) opportunistic RF/THz network where a user associates to the BS with maximum biased received signal power (BRSP)¹, and (iii) Hybrid network where a user associates to both nearest RF and TBSs. We first characterize the exact Laplace Transform (LT) of the aggregate interference and coverage probability of a user in a THz-only network. Then, we derive the coverage probability of a typical user in a *coexisting network*. Asymptotic approximations are presented for large intensity of TBSs or small molecular absorption coefficients. Numerical results show the significance of BRSP over conventional reference signal received power (RSRP) association in a coexisting network and validate the derived expressions.

II. SYSTEM MODEL AND ASSUMPTIONS

We consider a two-tier downlink network composed of RF SBSs and TBSs as well as users' devices. The locations of the conventional RF SBSs and TBSs are modeled as a twodimensional (2D) homogeneous Poisson point processes (PPP) Φ_R and Φ_T with intensities λ_R and λ_T , respectively. The locations of the users follow independent homogeneous PPP Φ_u with intensity λ_u . Each user measures the channel quality from each BS and then associate to the chosen BS according to a predefined association mechanism. The BSs serve associated users in orthogonal time slots or channels. We consider the performance of a typical user who is located at the origin.

1) RF Channel and SINR Model: The RF channel experiences both the channel fading and path-loss. Thus, the

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¹BRSP-based association is considered by 3GPP in Release 10, where the users' power received from small base stations (SBSs) has been artificially increased by adding a bias in order to avoid under-utilization of SBSs [7].

received signal power at the typical user can be modeled as $h(\rho) = \gamma_R \rho^{-\alpha} \chi$, where $\gamma_R = \frac{c^2}{(4\pi f_R)^2}$, χ is the exponentially distributed channel power with unit mean from the tagged SBS, α is the path-loss exponent, ρ is the distance of the typical user to the serving SBS, f_R is the RF carrier frequency in GHz, and $c = 3 \times 10^8$ m/s is the speed of light. We consider SBSs equipped with omni-directional antennas. Therefore, the SINR of a typical user can be modeled as:

$$\operatorname{SINR}_{R} = \frac{P_{R} \gamma_{R} \rho_{0}^{-\alpha} \chi_{0}}{N_{0}^{R} + I_{\operatorname{agg}}^{R}},$$
(1)

where χ_0 is the fading channel power of the typical user from the desired SBS, P_R is the transmit power of the SBSs, N_0^R is the thermal noise at the receiver, I_{agg}^R $\sum_{i \in \Phi_R \setminus 0} P_R \gamma_R \rho_i^{-\alpha} \chi_i$ is the aggregate interference at the typical user from the interfering SBSs, ρ_i is the distance between the *i*-th interfering SBS and the typical user, and χ_i is the fading channel power from the *i*-th interfering SBS.

2) THz Channel and SINR Model: Due to high molecular absorption and the dense deployment, the LoS transmissions are dominant than the NLoS transmissions. Therefore, following [3], [5], [8], [9], we model the line-of-sight (LoS) channel power² between users and TBSs as h(r) = $\frac{c^2}{(4\pi f_T)^2} \frac{\exp(-k_a(f)r)}{r^2}$, where $k_a(f)$ is the molecular absorption coefficient, r is the distance between the transmitter and receiver, f_T is the operating THz frequency, c is the speed of light, and $G_{tx}^{T}(\theta)$ as well as $G_{rx}^{T}(\theta)$ are the directional transmitter and receiver antenna gains, respectively. The directional antennas are modeled as [10]:

$$G_q^T(\theta) = \begin{cases} G_q^{(\max)} & |\theta| \le w_q \\ G_q^{(\min)} & |\theta| > w_q \end{cases},$$
(2)

where $q \in \{tx, rx\}$, $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi)$ is the angle of the boresight direction, w_q is the main lobe beamwidth, $G_q^{(\max)}$ and $G_q^{(\min)}$ are beamforming gains of the main and side lobes, respectively. The typical user and its desired TBS align such that their main lobes coincide through beam alignment techniques. The alignment between the typical user and an interferer is defined as a random variable D, which can take values in $\{G_{\mathrm{tx}}^{(\mathrm{max})}G_{\mathrm{rx}}^{(\mathrm{max})}, G_{\mathrm{tx}}^{(\mathrm{min})}G_{\mathrm{rx}}^{(\mathrm{min})}, G_{\mathrm{tx}}^{(\mathrm{min})}G_{\mathrm{rx}}^{(\mathrm{max})}, G_{\mathrm{tx}}^{(\mathrm{min})}G_{\mathrm{rx}}^{(\mathrm{min})}\},\$ and the corresponding probability for each case is $F_{tx}F_{rx}$, $F_{\rm tx}(1-F_{\rm rx})$, $(1-F_{\rm tx})F_{\rm rx}$, and $(1-F_{\rm tx})(1-F_{\rm rx})$, where $F_{\rm tx} = \frac{\theta_{\rm tx}}{2\pi}$ and $F_{\rm rx} = \frac{\theta_{\rm rx}}{2\pi}$, respectively. Assuming that the main lobe typical user's receiver is coinciding with that of its desired TBS, its SINR can be formulated as follows:

$$SINR_{T} = \frac{P_{T}G_{tx}^{(max)}(\theta)G_{rx}^{(max)}(\theta)\frac{c^{2}}{(4\pi f_{T})^{2}}\frac{\exp(-k_{a}(f)r)}{r^{2}}}{N_{0}^{T} + I_{agg}^{T}},$$
(2)

where $I_{\text{agg}}^{T} = \sum_{i \in \Phi_{T} \setminus 0} P_{\text{T}} D_{i} h(r_{i})$ is the aggregate interference at the typical user by their maximum gain, r_{i} is the distance of the typical user to the interfering TBSs. For brevity, we define $\gamma_T = G_{\text{tx}}^{(\text{max})}(\theta) G_{\text{rx}}^{(\text{max})}(\theta) \frac{c^2}{(4\pi f_T)^2}$. We assume that the interferers' main lobe coincides with the users' main lobe³ with the probability of $F = F_{\rm tx}F_{\rm rx}$, and thus, $D = G_{\rm tx}^{(\rm max)}(\theta) G_{\rm rx}^{(\rm max)}(\theta)$. Also, P_T is the transmit power of the TBSs, and N_0^T denotes the thermal noise and the noise resulted from the molecular absorption which is considered as negligible in dense THz networks.

III. COVERAGE PROBABILITY IN THZ-ONLY NETWORK

In this section, we derive the LT of the aggregate interference and the coverage probability experienced by a typical user in a THz-only network with nearest BS association.

Lemma 1. Conditioned on the distance of a typical user from the serving TBS, the LT of the aggregate interference, at a typical device in THz network, can be derived as follows:

$$\mathcal{L}_{I_{\text{agg}}^{T}|r}(s) = \exp\left(2\pi\lambda_{T}\sum_{l=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-s\gamma_{T}FP_{\text{T}})^{l}\Gamma\left(2-2l,lk_{a}\left(f\right)r\right)\right)}{(lk_{a}\left(f\right))^{2-2l}l!}\right).$$
Proof. See Appendix A.

We define the rate coverage probability as the probability with which a typical user achieves the desired target rate $R_{\rm th}$. Subsequently, using $R_{\rm th} = W_T \log_2(1 + {\rm SINR})$ (where W_T is the THz transmission bandwidth), the rate coverage probability can thus be given as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}_T = \Pr\left(\mathrm{SINR}_T > 2^{\frac{R_{\mathrm{th}}}{W_T}} - 1\right) = \Pr\left(\mathrm{SINR}_T > \tau_T\right).$$
(4)

Taking the desired signal power at the typical user S(r) = $P_T \gamma_T \frac{\exp(-k_a(f)r)}{r^2}$ and using the Gil-Pelaez inversion theorem [11], \mathcal{P}_T can be derived as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}_{T} = \Pr\left(\frac{S(r)}{N_{0}^{T} + I_{\text{agg}}^{T}} > \tau_{T}\right) = \Pr\left(S(r) > \tau_{T}I_{\text{agg}}^{T} + \tau_{T}N_{0}^{T}\right),$$
$$= \mathbb{E}_{r}\left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\pi}\int_{0}^{\infty}\frac{\operatorname{Im}[\phi_{\Omega|r}(\omega)e^{j\omega\tau_{T}N_{0}^{T}}]}{\omega}d\omega\right],$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{\pi}\int_{0}^{\infty}\frac{\operatorname{Im}[\phi_{\Omega}(\omega)e^{j\omega\tau_{T}N_{0}^{T}}]}{\omega}d\omega,$$
(5)

where Im(·) is the imaginary part of $\phi_{\Omega}(\cdot)$, $\Omega = S(r) - S(r)$ $\tau_T I_{\text{agg}}^T$, and $\phi_{\Omega}(w) = \mathbb{E}[e^{-j\omega\Omega}]$ is the characteristic function (CF) of Ω given as follows:

$$\phi_{\Omega}(\omega) = \mathbb{E}_r \left[\phi_{\Omega|r}(\omega) \right] = \mathbb{E}_r [e^{-j\omega S(r)} \mathcal{L}_{I_{\text{agg}}^T|r}(-j\omega\tau_T)],$$

where $\mathcal{L}_{I_{add}^T|r}$ is given in Lemma 1. Gil-Pelaez inversion is applicable to the CF of any random variable and has been proved useful in a wide variety of wireless applications [12].

IV. COVERAGE IN COEXISTING RF/THZ NETWORK

In the coexisting network, the user can either associate to a given SBS or TBS based on the maximum BRSP with a probability termed as association probability.

³For simplicity, we consider negligible side lobe gains. However, the framework can be extended by averaging over variable D and considering all four possible interference components in $I_{\text{agg}}^{\text{T}}$ with different antenna gains. These four interference variables are independent and their LTs can be given using Lemma 1. $\mathcal{L}_{I_{\text{agg}}^{T}|r}(s)$ can thus be given as the product of their LTs.

²The consideration of NLoS with accurate reflection, scattering, and diffraction models deserves a separate study and has been left for future investigation.

Given the received powers from TBSs and SBSs as $P_r^{\text{THz}} = P_T \gamma_T \times \frac{\exp(-k_a(f)r)}{r^2}$ and $P_r^{\text{RF}} = P_R \gamma_R \times \rho^{-\alpha}$, respectively, the probability of association to TBS can be derived as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}_{A_T} = \mathbb{E}_r \left[\Pr \left[B_T P_r^{\text{THz}} > P_r^{\text{RF}} \right] \right],$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_r \left[\Pr \left[P_T B_T \gamma_T \frac{\exp \left(-k_a \left(f \right) r \right)}{r^2} > P_R \gamma_R \rho^{-\alpha} \right] \right], \quad (6)$$

$$\stackrel{(a)}{=} \mathbb{E}_r \left[\exp \left(-\pi \lambda_R \left(Kr^2 \exp \left(k_a \left(f \right) r \right) \right)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \right) \right],$$

where $K = \frac{P_R \gamma_R}{B_T P_T \gamma_T}$, $B_T > 1$ is the bias value to encourage association with THz layer, $0 \le B_T < 1$ encourages association to RF layer, $B_T = 1$ yields conventional RSRP and (a) follows from the null property of PPP Φ_R . This property implies that given a tier of RF SBSs with intensity λ_R , the probability that no RF BSs are closer to typical user than the distance z is $\mathbb{P}[\rho \ge z] = \exp(-\pi\lambda_R z^2)$.

Taking the expectation, the association probability of a typical user to TBSs can be derived as in the following lemma.

Lemma 2. Given that the user associates with the layer that provides the maximum BRSP, the probability of association to the THz layer is given as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}_{A_T} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j \Gamma[v_j] \,\delta_{T,j}}{(2\beta_T)^{\frac{v_j}{2}} j!} \exp\left(\frac{-\eta_j}{8\beta_T}\right) D_{-v_j}\left(\frac{-\eta_j}{\sqrt{2\beta_T}}\right),$$

where $\beta_T = \pi \lambda_T$, $\delta_{T,j} = 2\pi \lambda_T \left(\pi \lambda_R K^{\frac{2}{\alpha}}\right)^j$, $\nu_j = \frac{4j}{\alpha} + 2$, $\eta_j = -\frac{2jk(f)}{\alpha}$, and $D_{\nu}(z)$ is the parabolic cylinder function (PCF) ([13], Eq. 9.240). Clearly, the probability that a device associates to the RF layer is given by

$$\mathcal{P}_{A_{\rm R}} = 1 - \mathcal{P}_{A_{\rm T}}.\tag{7}$$

Proof. See Appendix B.

As the future networks will be highly dense, the density of TBSs can be very high $(\lambda_T \to \infty)$. Also, for indoor applications [5], the absorption loss can approach zero $(k_a(f) \to 0)$. By demonstrating the limit of ∞ , we mean that the intensity can be quite large but may not be close to infinity. In both special cases, the association probability can be simplified as.

Corollary 1. When $\lambda_T \to \infty \Longrightarrow z \to 0$ and $k_a \to 0 \Longrightarrow z \to 0$, the argument of $D_{\nu}(z)$ in Lemma 2 tends to zero. For z = 0, $D_{\nu}(z)$ will be simplified to $\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2^{\frac{1}{2}b+\frac{1}{4}}\Gamma(\frac{3}{4}+\frac{1}{2}b)}$, where $b = -\frac{1}{2} - \nu$ and $\Gamma(z)$ is the gamma function ([13], Eq. 8.31). As a result, \mathcal{P}_{A_T} in lemma 2 can be simplified as:

$$\mathcal{P}_{A_{T}} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \left(-1\right)^{j} \delta_{j} \left(2\beta\right)^{-\frac{v_{j}}{2}} \Gamma\left[v_{j}\right]}{2^{\frac{1}{2}b_{j}+\frac{1}{4}} \Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}+\frac{1}{2}b_{j}\right) j!} \exp\left(\frac{-\eta_{j}}{8\beta}\right), \quad (8)$$

where $b_j = -\frac{1}{2} - \nu_j$.

Since a typical user can associate with either RF or THz layer, the total coverage probability can be calculated as:

$$\mathbb{C} = \mathcal{P}_{A_{T}} \mathbb{P}_{C_{T}} + \mathcal{P}_{A_{R}} \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{C}_{R}}, \qquad (9)$$

where $\mathcal{P}_{A_{T}}$ and $\mathcal{P}_{A_{R}}$ are defined in **Lemma 2**. Also, $\mathbb{P}_{C_{T}}$ and $\mathbb{P}_{C_{R}}$ refer to the coverage probability conditioned that the typical user associates to a given TBS and RF SBS,

respectively. Since the TBSs and RF SBSs are distributed according to different PPPs, the distance of a typical user to its serving BS depends on the tier to which the user is associated. Subsequently, the distribution of the distance of the typical user to its serving BS in *k*-th tier can be given as:

Lemma 3. The distribution of the distance of a typical user if it is tagged to the THz layer and SBS layer can be given, respectively, as follows:

$$f_{\hat{X}_T}(\hat{x}) = \frac{2\pi\lambda_T \hat{x}}{\mathcal{P}_{A_T}} \exp\left(-\pi\lambda_R (K\hat{x}^2)^{2/\alpha} e^{2k_a(f)\hat{x}/\alpha} - \pi\lambda_T \hat{x}^2\right),$$

$$f_{\hat{X}_R}(\hat{x}) \approx \frac{2\pi\lambda_R \hat{x}}{\mathcal{P}_{A_R}} \exp\left(-\pi\lambda_T \left(\frac{K\hat{x}^\alpha}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2+\mu}} - \pi\lambda_R \hat{x}^2\right),$$

where μ is a factor defined in the proof.

Lemma 4. The calculation of \mathbb{P}_{C_T} can be performed using the Gil-Pelaez inversion theorem as given in (5) where

$$\phi_{\Omega}(\omega) = \mathbb{E}_{\hat{X}_{T}}\left[\phi_{\Omega|\hat{X}_{T}}(\omega)\right] = \mathbb{E}_{\hat{X}_{T}}\left[e^{-j\omega S(\hat{x})}\mathcal{L}_{I_{\text{agg}}^{T}|\hat{X}_{T}}(-j\omega\tau_{T})\right],$$

and the PDF of X_T is given in **Lemma 3**. Considering the interference limited regime, the conditional coverage probability of the user when associated to RF layer can be given as:

$$\mathbb{P}_{C_{R}} = \Pr\left[\chi_{0} > \tau_{R}P_{R}^{-1}\gamma_{R}^{-1}\hat{x}^{\alpha}I_{agg}^{R}\right], \\ = \mathbb{E}_{I_{agg},\hat{x}}\left[\exp(-\tau_{R}P_{R}^{-1}\gamma_{R}^{-1}\hat{x}^{\alpha}I_{agg}^{R})\right], \\ = \int_{0}^{\infty} \mathcal{L}_{I_{agg}}(\tau_{R}P_{R}^{-1}\gamma_{R}^{-1}\hat{x}^{\alpha})f_{\hat{X}_{R}}(\hat{x})\,d\hat{x},$$
(10)

where $\mathcal{L}_{I_{agg}^{R}}(\tau_{R}P_{R}^{-1}\gamma_{R}^{-1}\hat{x}^{\alpha}) = \exp(-\pi\hat{x}^{2}\lambda_{R}\mathcal{Z}(\tau_{R},\alpha)),$ $\mathcal{Z}(\tau_{R},\alpha) = \frac{2\tau_{R}}{\alpha-2}{}_{2}F_{1}[1,1-\frac{2}{\alpha};2-\frac{2}{\alpha};-\tau_{R}], and {}_{2}F_{1}[\cdot] is Gauss$ Hypergeometric function [13].

Remark 1. The coverage probability of hybrid *RF/THz* scheme can be given as $\mathbb{C}_{\text{Hybrid}} = 1 - (1 - \mathcal{P}_T) (1 - \mathcal{P}_R)$, where \mathcal{P}_T is given in Eq. (4), $\mathcal{P}_R = 2\pi\lambda_R \int_0^\infty \rho \mathcal{L}_{I_{agg}^R} (\tau_R P_R^{-1} \gamma_R^{-1} \rho^\alpha) \exp(-\pi\lambda_R \rho^2) d\rho$ is the coverage probability of the *RF*-only network and $\mathcal{L}_{I_{agg}^R}(\cdot)$ is given in **Lemma 4**.

V. NUMERICAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Unless stated otherwise, the simulation parameters are listed herein. Users are distributed within a circular disc of radius 100 m. The antenna gains of TBSs G_{tx}^T and G_{rx}^T are set as 25 dB. The transmit powers of TBSs and RF SBSs are 1 W. Three values for k_a (f) are considered, i.e., 0.05, 0.1, and 0.2 m⁻¹ with 1% of water vapor molecules. These absorption values are chosen from the realistic database and their corresponding central frequencies are 1.0 THz, 1.5 THz, and 1.8 THz, respectively [14] [15]. The desired rate threshold is taken as 5 Gbps. The RF transmission frequency is set as 2.1 GHz and α =2.5. The RF and THz transmission bandwidths are set as 40 MHz and 0.5 GHz, respectively. The intensity of RF SBS λ_R is set as 0.0001 BSs/m².

Fig. 1(a) depicts the LT of the aggregate interference at the typical user (averaged over large number of realizations of the desired link distance r). The theoretic results are calculated



Figure 1: (a) LT of the aggregate interference as a function of the intensity of TBSs, $k_a(f) = 0.05$, f = 1.0 THz. (b) LT of the aggregate interference as a function of the molecular absorption coefficients, $\lambda_T = 0.032$ per m². (c) Coverage probability of a user in THz-only network.



Figure 2: (a) Association probability as a function of the intensity of TBSs, $k_a(f) = 0.2 \ m^{-1}$, $f = 1.8 \ \text{THz}$, G_T^T and $G_R^T = 15 \ \text{dB}$, $\alpha = 3.6$, B = [1000, 100, 10, 0.0001, 0.0001] when $k_a(f) = 0.05 \ m^{-1}$, $B = [10^6, 10^5, 10^4, 10^4, 10^3, 10^3]$ when $k_a(f) = 0.2 \ m^{-1}$. (b) Coverage probability in coexisting network, $k_T = 0.1 \ m^{-2}$. (c) Coverage probability in coexisting network, $k_a(f) = 0.05 \ m^{-1}$, $B = [10^3, 10^2, 1, 10^{-3}, 10^{-4}, 10^{-5}]$.

by taking the first three terms as well as only one term of the summation in **Lemma 1**. There is a close match between the theory and simulations. For a given s, increasing LT values mean that the aggregate interference is reducing and vice versa. In Fig. 1(a), for a given s, we note that increasing the intensity of TBSs, LT decreases rapidly (which implies interference increases). Similarly, for a given s, we note that increasing the $k_a(f)$ in Fig. 1(b), LT increases (which implies interference decreases due to lower absorption loss at the interfering links). The coverage probability of a user in a THz-only network is demonstrated in Fig. 1(c). The theoretical results (with first three terms of the infinite summation) show a close match with the simulations. We note that by increasing the molecular absorption coefficient, the coverage probability increases. This is in agreement with in Fig. 1(b).

The association probability to the THz layer is depicted in Fig. 2(a). For the RSRP-based association, the probability of user association to the THz layer increases with λ_T . However, in BRSP, the bias factor B_T is obtained numerically to maximize the coverage probability. We note that optimal bias to TBSs decreases with the increase in λ_T (which implies increased THz interference). Also, bias reduction is steep for low $k_a(f)$ (implying higher interference), whereas the reduction in bias is gradual for high values of $k_a(f)$ (implying lower interference). Fig. 2(b) shows the coverage probability of opportunistic RF/THz system with unit bias value. From the Fig. 2(a), it is clear that the typical user is likely to associate to the THz layer when bias is unity. Therefore, the total coverage probability is dominated by the behaviour of THz layer and shows the similar behaviour as THz-only network.

Fig. 2(c) compares the performance of the typical user in coexisting RF/THz network with THz-only, RF-only, and hybrid RF/THz networks. Hybrid RF/THz network outperforms all networks, since the typical user simultaneously uses both

THz and RF transmissions. That is, the additional coverage is at the expense of increased network resources. Coexisting RF/THz with BRSP-based association maximizes the coverage by dynamically adapting to the best tier (since the bias factors are chosen to maximize the coverage) and outperforms RFonly and THz-only schemes.

VI. CONCLUSION

We presented a unified stochastic geometry framework to characterize the performance of a user in a coexisting RF/THz network. This work can be extended to incorporate fading by rederiving the LT of the aggregate interference with fading channel statistics. For blockages, we can follow the approach in [16]. A Boolean blockage model can be considered where the number of blockages in a link are Poisson distributed. Then, LOS probability $e^{[-(\xi r+p)]}$ (where ξ and p are constants) can be multiplied with $\Phi_{\Omega}|r(\omega)$.

APPENDIX A: PROOF OF LEMMA 1

Recall that $I_{\text{agg}}^T = \sum_{i \in \Phi_T \setminus 0} P_T D_i h(r_i)$, after averaging over D_i the LT of the aggregate interference can be given as:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{I_{\text{agg}}^{\text{T}}}(s) &= \mathbb{E}_{\Phi_{T}}\left[e^{-sI_{\text{agg}}}\right] = \mathbb{E}_{\Phi_{T}}\left[e^{-sF\sum_{i\in\Phi_{T}\setminus0}P_{\mathrm{T}}\gamma_{T}}\frac{e^{-k_{a}(f)r_{i}}}{r_{i}^{2}}\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\Phi_{T}}\left[\prod_{i\in\Phi_{T}\setminus0}\exp\left(-sFP_{\mathrm{T}}\gamma_{T}\frac{e^{-k_{a}(f)r_{i}}}{r_{i}^{2}}\right)\right], \\ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ = \exp\left(-2\pi\lambda_{T}\int_{r}^{\infty}r_{i}\left(1-\exp\left(-s\gamma_{T}FP_{\mathrm{T}}\frac{e^{-k_{a}(f)r_{i}}}{r_{i}^{2}}\right)\right)dr_{i}\right), \\ \begin{pmatrix} b \\ = \exp\left(-2\pi\lambda_{T}\int_{r}^{\infty}\sum_{l=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-s\gamma_{T}FP_{\mathrm{T}})^{l}\exp\left(-lk_{a}\left(f\right)r_{i}\right)}{r_{i}^{2l-1}l!}dr_{i}\right), \\ \begin{pmatrix} c \\ = \exp\left(2\pi\lambda_{T}\sum_{l=1}^{\infty}\frac{(-s\gamma_{T}FP_{\mathrm{T}})^{l}}{(lk_{\alpha}\left(f\right))^{2-2l}l!}\Gamma\left(2-2l,lk_{a}\left(f\right)r\right)\right)\right), \end{split}$$

where (a) is derived by using the probability generating functional (**PGFL**) with respect to $f(x) = \exp(-sP_Th(r_i))$, (b) is derived using $\exp(-x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{x^i}{i!}$ ([13], Eq. 1.211), and (c) follows from the integral identity $\int \frac{\exp(-\beta x^n)}{x^m} dx = -\frac{\beta^z \Gamma(-z,\beta x^n)}{n}$, and z equals to $\frac{m-1}{n}$ ([13], Eq. 2.345). Since the typical user has a distance r from its serving TBS due to the nearest BS association, all interferers exist beyond r. Thus, the lower limit in the integral is r.

APPENDIX B: PROOF OF LEMMA 2

The distribution of the distances between the typical user and its nearest THz and RF BSs are $f_r(r) = 2\pi\lambda_T r \exp(-\pi\lambda_T r^2)$ and $f_{\rho}(\rho) = 2\pi\lambda_R \rho \exp(-\pi\lambda_R \rho^2)$, respectively. Thus, averaging over r in (6) yields the association probability⁴ with TBS as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{A_T} &= \int_0^\infty \exp\left(-\pi\lambda_R \left(Kr^2\right)^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} \exp\left(\frac{2k_a\left(f\right)r}{\alpha}\right)\right) f_r(r)dr, \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{=} \int_0^\infty 2\pi\lambda_T \alpha h^{2\alpha-1} e^{-\pi\lambda_T h^{2\alpha}} \exp\left(-\pi\lambda_R K^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} h^4 e^{\frac{2k_a\left(f\right)h^{\alpha}}{\alpha}}\right) dh, \\ &\stackrel{(b)}{=} \int_0^\infty 2\pi\lambda_T \alpha h^{2\alpha-1} e^{-\pi\lambda_T h^{2\alpha}} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{\left(-\pi\lambda_R K^{\frac{2}{\alpha}} h^4 e^{\frac{2k_a\left(f\right)h^{\alpha}}{\alpha}}\right)^j}{j!} dh \\ &\stackrel{(c)}{=} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{\left(-\pi\lambda_R K^{\frac{2}{\alpha}}\right)^j}{j!} \int_0^\infty 2\pi\lambda_T z^{\frac{4j+\alpha}{\alpha}} e^{-\pi\lambda_T z^2 + \frac{2jk_a\left(f\right)}{\alpha}z} dz, \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{\left(-\pi\lambda_R K^{\frac{2}{\alpha}}\right)^j}{j!} \int_0^\infty 2\pi\lambda_T z^{v_j-1} e^{-\beta z^2 - \eta_j z} dz, \end{aligned}$$

where (a) is derived by changing variables $r = h^{\alpha}$, (b) follows from expanding the exponential function as $\exp(-x) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i \frac{x^i}{i!}$ ([13], Eq. 1.211), (c) follows from the variable change $z = h^{\alpha}$, and, finally, **Lemma 2** is derived by using the integral identity $\int_0^{\infty} x^{\nu-1} e^{-\beta x^2 - \eta x} dx = (2\beta)^{-\frac{\nu}{2}} \Gamma[\nu] \exp\left(\frac{\eta^2}{8\beta}\right) D_{-\nu}\left(\frac{\eta}{\sqrt{2\beta}}\right)$ ([13], Eq. 3.462).

APPENDIX C: PROOF OF LEMMA 3

The distribution of the distance from the tagged BS in the tier k where $k = \{\text{THz}, \text{RF}\}$ can be derived as follows:

$$f_{\hat{X}_{k}}(\hat{x}) = \frac{d\Pr[X_{k} > \hat{x}]}{d\hat{x}} = \frac{d\Pr[X_{k} > \hat{x}|k=n]}{d\hat{x}}$$
$$= \frac{d\Pr[X_{k} > \hat{x}, k=n]}{\Pr[k=n]d\hat{x}},$$
(C.1)

where $n \in \{\text{THz}, \text{RF}\}\$ is the index of the layer to which a user will associate. $\Pr[k = n]$ is the association probability of a user to tier k as given in **Lemma 2**. When the user associates to the TBS, the numerator in (C.1) can be given as:

$$\Pr[X_T > \hat{x}|k = \text{THz}] = \Pr[X_T > \hat{x}, B_T P_r^{\text{THz}} > P_r^{\text{RF}}],$$

$$= \int_{\hat{x}}^{\infty} \Pr[B_T P_r^{\text{THz}} > P_r^{\text{RF}}] f_{X_T}(x) dx,$$

$$\stackrel{(a)}{=} \int_{\hat{x}}^{\infty} 2\pi \lambda_T x e^{-\pi \lambda_R K^{2/\alpha} x^{4/\alpha} e^{2k_a(f)x/\alpha} - \pi \lambda_T x^2} dx,$$
 (C.2)

where (a) is derived by substituting $\Pr[P_r^{\text{THz}} > P_r^{\text{RF}}]$ provided in **Appendix B**, and $f_{X_T}(x) = 2\pi\lambda_T x \exp(-\pi\lambda_T x^2)$.

⁴User association to a BS is a slowly varying process that relies on longterm channel propagation factors such as path-loss and shadowing. Now substituting (C.2) in (C.1) results in $f_{\hat{X}_T}(\hat{x})$. Likewise, when the user associates to the RF layer, we have:

$$\Pr[X_R > \hat{x}|k = \mathrm{RF}] = \Pr[X_R > \hat{x}, P_r^{\mathrm{RF}} > B_T P_r^{\mathrm{THz}}],$$

$$= \int_{\hat{x}}^{\infty} \Pr[P_r^{\mathrm{RF}} > B_T P_r^{\mathrm{THz}}] f_{X_R}(x) dx,$$

$$= \int_{\hat{x}}^{\infty} \Pr\left[\pi r^2 \exp\left(k_a\left(f\right)r\right) > K x^{\alpha}\right] f_{X_R}(x) dx,$$

$$\stackrel{(a)}{\approx} \int_{\hat{x}}^{\infty} \Pr\left[r > \left(\frac{K x^{\alpha}}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2+\mu}}\right] f_{X_R}(x) dx,$$

$$= \int_{\hat{x}}^{\infty} 2\pi \lambda_R x \exp\left(-\pi \lambda_T \left(\frac{K x^{\alpha}}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2+\mu}} - \pi \lambda_R x^2\right) dx,$$
(C.3)

where (a) is derived by approximating $r^2 \exp(k_a(f)r)$ with $r^{2+\mu}$, and μ is a correcting factor. That is, when $k_a(f) > 0.1$ than $\mu = 2 + \frac{10k_a(f)}{1+2k_a(f)}$, otherwise $\mu = 2 + \frac{15k_a(f)}{1+10k_a(f)}$. Finally, substituting (C.3) in (C.1) results $f_{\hat{X}_B}(\hat{x})$.

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