Non-Coherent UWB Communication in the Presence of Multiple Narrowband Interferers

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Abstract—There has been an emerging interest in non-coherent ultra-wide bandwidth (UWB) communications, particularly for low-data rate applications because of its low-complexity and low-power consumption. However, the presence of narrowband (NB) interference severely degrades the communication performance since the energy of the interfering signals is also collected by the receiver. In this paper, we compare the performance of two non-coherent UWB receiver structures—the autocorrelation receiver (AcR) and the energy detection receiver (EDR)—in terms of the bit error probability (BEP). The AcR is based on the transmitted reference signaling with binary pulse amplitude modulation, while the EDR is based on the binary pulse position modulation. We analyze the BEPs for these two non-coherent systems in a multipath fading channel, both in the absence and presence of NB interference. We consider two cases: a) single NB interferer, where the interfering node is located at a fixed distance from the receiver, and b) multiple NB interferers, where the interfering nodes with the same carrier frequency are scattered according to a spatial Poisson process. Our framework is simple enough to enable a tractable analysis and provide insights that are of value in the design of practical UWB systems subject to interference.

Index Terms—Ultra-wide bandwidth (UWB) communications, transmitted reference, autocorrelation receiver, energy detection, narrowband interference, Poisson point process.

I. INTRODUCTION

ULTRA-WIDE bandwidth (UWB) signals are commonly defined as signals with a large transmission bandwidth [1]–[3]. In comparison to their narrowband (NB) counterpart, UWB systems offer a number of advantages, including accurate ranging [4]–[10], robustness to fading [11]–[13], superior obstacle penetration [14]–[16], covert operation [17], resistance to jamming and interference rejection [18], [19]. Another appealing characteristic of UWB signals is that they can be transmitted and received without any frequency conversion operation. This makes the transceiver less reliant on expensive and power-hungry oscillators. To support this low-complexity objective, a receiver cannot rely on typical digital signal processing based on sampling at least at the Nyquist rate, which for UWB signals can easily exceed several GHz.

Motivated by low-complexity implementation, transmission schemes that are suitable for non-coherent reception are considered in the IEEE 802.15.4a standard [20], [21]. There are two popular non-coherent UWB receiver structures, namely the autocorrelation receiver (AcR) and the energy detection receiver (EDR) [22]–[33]. The AcR consists of a frontend filter, a delay element and a multiplier, which are used to align and multiply the filtered received signal with its delay version prior to energy collection in the integrator. On the other hand, the EDR collects the energy of the received signal over a given time and frequency window using a frontend filter, a square-law device, and an energy integrator.

The performance of AcR and EDR for UWB systems was investigated in the literature. The bit error probability (BEP) expressions for AcRs conditioned on an UWB channel realization using the Gaussian approximation are provided in [22]–[24]. In [25], the BEP of AcR is derived using the approach of [26] by representing the output of the AcR as a Hermitian quadratic form in complex normal variates. This approach implicitly assumes that the fading distribution of the multipath gains are Rayleigh distributed. Without any assumption on the fading distribution, the closed-form BEP expression of AcR is derived in [27]. A delay-hopped transmitted reference (TR) system is demonstrated experimentally in [28]. The effect of the NB interference on AcR was investigated and several mitigation techniques were discussed in [29], [30]. The BEP expressions of AcRs in multipath fading channel with a single NB interferer are derived in [31]. In [32], the conditional BEP expression for EDR is derived using a Gaussian approximation and the BEP performance is obtained by quasi-analytical/simulation approach. The robustness of EDR to NB interference and the effect of the NB interference bandwidth are discussed in [33]. However, an unified analytical comparison between the AcR and the EDR in the presence of multipath fading and NB interference is
UWB transmitter
UWB receiver
NB interferer

(a) Single interferer

UWB transmitter
UWB receiver
NB interferers

(b) Multiple interferers

Fig. 1. Interference scenarios.

still missing in the literature. Furthermore, due to their large transmission bandwidth, UWB systems need to coexist and contend with many narrowband communication systems. As a result, it is also important to analyze the performance of such receiver structures in the presence of multiple NB systems for successful deployment of UWB systems.

In this paper, we propose a framework for the performance evaluation of non-coherent UWB systems in the presence of multiple NB interferers. In particular, we compare the performance of two UWB non-coherent systems: an AcR for TR signaling with binary pulse amplitude modulation (AcR-TR-BPAM), and an EDR for binary pulse position modulation (EDR-BPPM). We consider that these systems are subject to multipath fading, and analyze two different interference scenarios: a) single NB interferer, where the interfering node is located at a fixed distance from the receiver, and b) multiple NB interferers, where the interfering nodes with the same carrier frequency are scattered according to a spatial Poisson process [34]. Our framework can be easily extended to the case where multiple NB interferers are operating at different carrier frequencies. In the absence of NB interference, we show that the two non-coherent receivers perform equally under certain conditions on pulse energy and signaling structure. In the presence of NB interference, we show that the EDR-based system is more robust than the AcR-based system. Our framework is simple enough to enable a tractable analysis and provide insights that can be of value in the design of practical UWB systems subject to interference.

The paper is organized as follows. Section II presents the system model. Section III derives expressions for the BEP in the absence of interference. Section IV and V consider the BEP with single and multiple NB interferers, respectively. Section VI provides numerical results to illustrate how the effect of NB interference depends on various system parameters. Section VII concludes the paper and summarizes the main results.

II. SYSTEM MODEL

A. Spatial Distribution of the NB Interferers

In this paper, we consider both cases of single and multiple NB interferers, as shown in Fig. 1. In the latter case, we model the spatial distribution of the multiple NB interferers according to an homogeneous Poisson point process in the two-dimensional plane [34]-[38]. The probability that \( k \) nodes lie inside region \( \mathcal{R} \) depends only on the area \( A_R = |\mathcal{R}| \), and is given by [39]

\[
P\{k \in \mathcal{R}\} = \frac{(\lambda A_{\mathcal{R}})^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda A_{\mathcal{R}}}
\]

where \( \lambda \) is the spatial density (in nodes per unit area) of interferers that are transmitting with the same carrier frequency within the bandwidth of the receiver.

B. Transmission Characteristics of the Nodes

1) NB Nodes: It was shown in [40] that the transmitted NB signal of the \( n \)-th interferer can be well approximated by a single-tone interference for the purposes of determining the error probability, i.e.,

\[
s^{(n)}_N(t) = \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi f_J t)
\]

where \( f_J \) is the carrier frequency. We consider the NB interference to be within the band of interest of the signal.

2) UWB TR-BPAM Nodes: In this case, the transmitted signal for user \( k \) can be decomposed into a reference signal \( \tilde{b}^{(k)}_i(t) \) and a data modulated signal \( \tilde{d}^{(k)}_i(t) \) as follows:

\[
s^{(k)}_{TR}(t) = \sum_i \tilde{b}^{(k)}_i(t - iT_s) + \tilde{d}^{(k)}_i(t - iT_s)
\]

where \( \tilde{d}^{(k)}_i \in \{-1, 1\} \) is the \( i \)-th data symbol, and \( T_s = N_s T_{TR}^f \) is the symbol duration with \( N_s \) and \( T_{TR}^f \) denoting the number of pulses per symbol and the average pulse repetition period, respectively [27]. The reference and data modulated signals...
can be written as
$$
\begin{align*}
    b_{1}^{(k)}(t) & = \sum_{j=0}^{N_{p}-1} \sqrt{E_{p}^{\text{TR}}} a_{j}^{(k)} p(t-jT_{t}^{\text{TR}} - c_{j}^{(k)} T_{p}), \\
    b_{2}^{(k)}(t) & = \sum_{j=0}^{N_{p}-1} \sqrt{E_{p}^{\text{TR}}} a_{j}^{(k)} p(t-jT_{t}^{\text{TR}} - c_{j}^{(k)} T_{p} - \Delta),
\end{align*}
$$

where $a_{j}^{(k)}$ is equal to a version of $b_{1}^{(k)}(t)$ delayed by $T_{r}$. In TH signaling, $\{c_{j}^{(k)}\}$ is the pseudo-random sequence of the kth user, where $c_{j}^{(k)}$ is an integer in the range $0 \leq c_{j}^{(k)} < N_{h}$, and $N_{h}$ is the maximum allowable integer shift. The bipolar random amplitude sequence $\{a_{j}^{(k)}\}$ together with the TH sequence are used to mitigate interference and to support multiple access. The essential duration of the unit energy bandpass pulse $p(t)$ is $T_{p}$ and its center frequency is $f_c$. The energy of the transmitted pulse is $E_{p}^{\text{TR}} = E_{s}^{\text{TR}}/N_{s}$ where $E_{s}^{\text{TR}}$ is the symbol energy associated with TR signaling. Note that the transmitted energy is equally allocated among $N_{s}/2$ reference pulses and $N_{s}/2$ modulated pulses. The duration of the received UWB pulse is $T_{g} = T_{p} + T_{a}$, where $T_{a}$ is the maximum excess delay of the channel. We consider $T_{g} \geq T_{e}$ and $(N_{h} - 1)T_{p} + T_{a} + T_{g} \leq 2T_{t}^{\text{TR}}$, where $T_{t}$ is the time separation between each pair of data and reference pulses to preclude intra-symbol interference (isi) and inter-symbol interference (isi).

3) UWB BPMM Nodes: In this case, the transmitted signal for user $k$ can be expressed as
$$
\begin{align*}
    s_{\text{BPMM}}^{(k)}(t) & = \sum_{i} \left[ \frac{1 + d_{i}^{(k)}}{2} b_{1}^{(i)}(t - iT_{s}) \\
    & + \frac{1 - d_{i}^{(k)}}{2} b_{2}^{(i)}(t - iT_{s}) \right],
\end{align*}
$$

where $d_{i}^{(k)} \in \{-1, 1\}$ is the ith data symbol and $T_{s} = \frac{N_{s}}{2}T_{t}^{\text{ED}}$ is the symbol duration with $N_{s}$ and $T_{t}^{\text{ED}}$ denoting the number of pulses per symbol and the average pulse repetition period, respectively. The transmitted signal for $d_{i}^{(k)} = +1$ and $d_{i}^{(k)} = -1$ can be written, respectively, as
$$
\begin{align*}
    b_{1}^{(k)}(t) & = \sum_{j=0}^{N_{p}-1} \sqrt{E_{p}^{\text{ED}}} a_{j}^{(k)} p(t - jT_{t}^{\text{ED}} - c_{j}^{(k)} T_{p}), \\
    b_{2}^{(k)}(t) & = \sum_{j=0}^{N_{p}-1} \sqrt{E_{p}^{\text{ED}}} a_{j}^{(k)} p(t - jT_{t}^{\text{ED}} - c_{j}^{(k)} T_{p} - \Delta),
\end{align*}
$$

where the parameter $\Delta$ is the time shift between two different data symbols and the rest of the terms in (6) are defined similarly as in (4). For BPMM with non-coherent receivers, the bipolar random amplitude sequence $\{a_{j}^{(k)}\}$ can only serve the purpose of spectrum smoothing. The energy of the transmitted pulse is then $E_{p}^{\text{ED}} = \frac{E_{s}^{\text{ED}}}{2}$, where $E_{s}^{\text{ED}}$ is the symbol energy associated with BPPM. Note that the position modulation is used and the transmitted energy is allocated among $N_{s}/2$ modulated pulses. To preclude isi and ISI, we assume $\Delta \geq T_{g}$ and $(N_{h} - 1)T_{p} + \Delta + T_{g} \leq T_{t}^{\text{ED}}$.

C. Wireless Communication Characteristics

1) NB Propagation: We consider that the impulse response of the NB channel between the n-th interferer and the UWB receiver is given by
$$
\begin{align*}
    h_{n}^{(\text{n})}(t) & = \frac{1}{R_{n}} \alpha_{n} e^{\sigma_{n} G_{n}} \delta(t - \tau_{n}).
\end{align*}
$$

We consider $\alpha_{n}$ to be Rayleigh distributed with $\mathbb{E}\{\alpha_{n}^{2}\} = 1$, which is an appropriate model when the signals are NB [41], [42]. The term $\tau_{n}$ accounts for the asynchronism between the interferers. The shadowing term $e^{\sigma_{n} G_{n}}$ follows a log-normal distribution with shadowing parameter $\sigma_{n}$ and $G_{n} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)^{2}$. According to the far-field assumption, the signal power decays as $1/R_{n}^{2\nu}$, where $\nu$ is the amplitude loss exponent and $R_{n}$ is the distance between the nth interferer and the UWB receiver.

2) UWB Propagation: We consider that the impulse response of the UWB channel is given by [12], [14]
$$
\begin{align*}
    \tilde{h}_{U}(t) & = \frac{1}{R_{U}} e^{\sigma_{U} G_{U}} h_{U}(t)
\end{align*}
$$

where
$$
\begin{align*}
    h_{U}(t) & = \sum_{i=1}^{L} h_{i} \delta(t - \tau_{i}),
\end{align*}
$$

with $h_{i}$ and $\tau_{i}$ representing the attenuation and the delay of the $i$th path component, respectively. We consider a resolvable dense multipath channel, i.e., $|\tau_{i} - \tau_{j}| \geq T_{p}, \forall i \neq j$, where $\tau_{i} = \tau_{i} + (i - 1)T_{p}$, and $\{h_{i}\}_{i=1}^{L}$ are statistically independent random variables (r.v.’s). We can express $h_{i} = |h_{i}| \exp(j\phi_{i})$, where $\phi_{i} = 0$ or $\pi$ with equal probability. We consider the terms $\frac{\sigma_{U}}{\sqrt{2}}$ and $e^{\sigma_{U} G_{U}}$ representing the path-loss and the shadowing in (8) are quasi-static, and therefore can be treated as constant gains introduced by the UWB channel. Thus, for simplicity, we will use $h_{i}(t)$ instead of $\tilde{h}_{U}(t)$ to represent the channel impulse response between the UWB transmitter and the UWB receiver for the rest of the paper.

III. BEP IN THE ABSENCE OF INTERFERENCE

A. AcR-TR-BPAM

As shown in Fig. 2, the AcR first passes the received signal through an ideal bandpass zonal filter (BPZF) with center frequency $f_{c}$ to eliminate out-of-band noise [27], [31]. If the bandwidth $W$ of the BPZF is large enough, then the signal spectrum will pass through the filter undistorted. In the rest of the paper, we focus on a single UWB user system and we will suppress the index $k$ for notational simplicity. In the absence of interference, the received signal can be expressed as $r_{\text{TR}}(t) = h_{U}(t) * s_{\text{TR}}(t) + n(t)$, where $n(t)$ is zero-mean, $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^{2})$ to denote a Gaussian distribution with zero-mean and variance $\sigma^{2}$.

(We use $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^{2})$ to denote a Gaussian distribution with zero-mean and variance $\sigma^{2}$.)

Note that the amplitude loss exponent is $\nu$, while the corresponding power loss exponent is $2\nu$. The parameter $\nu$ can approximately range from 0.8 (e.g. hallways inside buildings) to 4 (e.g. dense urban environment), where $\nu = 1$ corresponds to free space propagation [43].
white Gaussian noise with two-sided power spectral density \( N_0/2 \). Using (3) and (9), we can write the output of the BPZF as:

\[
\tilde{r}_{TR}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{L} [h_i b_i(t - iT_s - \tau_i) + h_i d_i b_i(t - iT_s - \tau_i)] + \tilde{n}(t)
\]

(10)

where \( \tilde{n}(t) \) represents the noise process after the BPZF, and the output of the AcR can be written as

\[
Z_{TR} = \sum_{j=0}^{N_s - 1} \int_{j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_p}^{(j+1)2T_{TR} + c_jT_p} \tilde{r}_{TR}(t - T_s) dt
\]

(11)

where the integration interval \( T \) determines the number of multipath components (or equivalently, the amount of energy) as well as the amount of noise captured by the receiver.\(^4\)

It can be shown that \( Z_{TR} \) in (11) can be equivalently written as [27], [31]

\[
Z_{TR} = \sum_{j=0}^{N_s - 1} \int_{0}^{T} \tilde{b}_i(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p) + \tilde{n}(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p) \left[ d_0 \tilde{b}_i(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_p) + \tilde{n}(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_p) \right] dt
\]

(12)

where \( \tilde{b}_i(t) \triangleq (b_i * h_U * h_{ZF})(t) \), \( \tilde{b}_d(t) \triangleq (b_d * h_U * h_{ZF})(t) \), and \( h_{ZF}(t) \) is the impulse response of the BPZF. Note that if the symbol interval is less than the coherence time, all pairs of pulses will experience the same channel; hence \( \tilde{b}_i(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p) = \tilde{b}_i(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_p) \) for all \( t \in (0, T) \) and \( j \). In this case, we can simplify the expression in (12) as follows:

\[
Z_{TR} = \sum_{j=0}^{N_s - 1} \int_{0}^{T} \left[ w_j(t) + \eta_{1,j}(t) \right] \left[ d_0 w_j(t) + \eta_{2,j}(t) \right] dt
\]

(13)

where we have used

\[
w_j(t) \triangleq \tilde{b}_i(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p) = \sqrt{E_{p}^{TR}} a_j \sum_{l=1}^{L} h_l p(t - \tau_l),
\]

\[
\eta_{1,j}(t) \triangleq \tilde{n}(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p),
\]

\[
\eta_{2,j}(t) \triangleq \tilde{n}(t + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_p)
\]

all defined over the interval \([0, T]\). Note that because the noise samples are taken at least \( T_s \) apart, they are essentially independent, regardless of \( c_j \).\(^6\) We further observe that \( U_j \) is simply the integrator output corresponding to the \( j \)th received modulated monocyte. Following the sampling expansion approach in [27], [31], we can represent \( U_j \) as

\[
U_j = \frac{1}{2W} \sum_{m=1}^{2WT} \left( d_0 w_{j,m}^2 + w_{j,m} \eta_{2,j,m} \right) + \eta_{1,j,m} \eta_{2,j,m}
\]

(14)

where \( w_{j,m}, \eta_{1,j,m}, \) and \( \eta_{2,j,m} \) for odd \( m \) (even \( m \) are the real (imaginary) parts of the samples of equivalent low-pass version of \( w_j(t), \eta_{1,j}(t), \) and \( \eta_{2,j}(t) \), respectively, sampled at the Nyquist rate \( W \) over the interval \([0, T]\).\(^7\) Conditioned on \( d_0 \) and \( a_j = +1 \), we can express (14) in the form of a

\( ^4 \)Note that we assume perfect symbol synchronization at the receiver.

\( ^6 \)As a result, no assumption on \( c_j \) is required since the above analysis is independent of \( \{c_j\} \).

\( ^7 \)Note that the noise samples taken with \( 1/W \) interval are statistically independent since the autocorrelation function of the Gaussian random process \( \tilde{n}(t) \) is \( R_{\tilde{n}(t)}(\tau) = W \text{sinc}(W \tau) \cos(2\pi f_c \tau) \).
to calculate the BEP conditioned on $d_0$, we simply need to calculate the BEP conditioned on $d_0 = +1$.

\begin{align}
Y_{TR,1} & \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sigma_{TR}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2WT} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2W}} w_{j,m} + \beta_{1,j,m} \right)^2, \\
Y_{TR,2} & \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sigma_{TR}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2WT} \beta_{2,j,m}^2, \\
Y_{TR,3} & \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sigma_{TR}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2WT} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2W}} w_{j,m} - \beta_{2,j,m} \right)^2, \\
Y_{TR,4} & \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sigma_{TR}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2WT} \beta_{2,j,m}^2.
\end{align}

(17)

The summation of squares:

\begin{align}
U_{j|d_0=+1} &= \sum_{m=1}^{2WT} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2W}} w_{j,m} + \beta_{1,j,m} \right)^2 - \beta_{2,j,m}^2, \\
U_{j|d_0=-1} &= \sum_{m=1}^{2WT} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2W}} w_{j,m} - \beta_{2,j,m} \right)^2 + \beta_{1,j,m}^2
\end{align}

(15) (16)

where

\begin{align}
\beta_{1,j,m} & \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2W}} (\eta_{2,j,m} + \eta_{1,j,m}), \\
\beta_{2,j,m} & \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2W}} (\eta_{2,j,m} - \eta_{1,j,m})
\end{align}

are statistically independent Gaussian r.v.'s with variance $\sigma_{TR}^2 = \frac{N_0}{L}$. For notational simplicity, we define the normalized r.v.'s $Y_{TR,1}, Y_{TR,2}, Y_{TR,3},$ and $Y_{TR,4}$ as shown in (17) at the top of this page.\(^8\) Conditioned on $\{h_i\}$, $Y_{TR,1}$ and $Y_{TR,3}$ are non-central chi-squared r.v.'s, whereas $Y_{TR,2}$ and $Y_{TR,4}$ are central chi-squared r.v.'s, all having $q_{TR} = N_s WT$ degrees of freedom. Both $Y_{TR,1}$ and $Y_{TR,3}$ have the same non-centrality parameter given by

$$
\mu_{TR} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{TR}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \int_0^T w_j^2(t) dt = \frac{E_{TR} L_{CAP}}{N_0} \sum_{l=1}^{h_l^2}
$$

(18)

where $L_{CAP} \triangleq \left[ \min \{WT, WT_B\} \right]$ denotes the actual number of multipath components captured by the AcR.

The characteristic function (CF) of the difference between two non-central chi-squared r.v.'s ($X_1$ and $X_2$) with same degrees of freedom $q$ is given by [44]

$$
\psi_j(v) = \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^q \exp \left( -\frac{jv \mu X_1}{1 + jv} + \frac{jv \mu X_2}{1 - jv} \right)
$$

(19)

where $\mu_X_1$ and $\mu_X_2$ are the non-centrality parameters of $X_1$ and $X_2$, respectively. Using the inversion theorem [45], we can derive the probability that $X_1 - X_2 < 0$

$$
P \{ X_1 - X_2 < 0 \} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^q \exp \left( \frac{-jv \mu X_1}{1 + jv} + \frac{jv \mu X_2}{1 - jv} \right) dv.
$$

(20)

Letting $q = q_{TR}$, $X_1 = Y_{TR,1}$, $X_2 = Y_{TR,2}$, $\mu_X_1 = \mu_{TR}$, and $\mu_X_2 = 0$ in (20), and by further averaging with respect to $\mu_{TR}$, the BEP of the AcR for detecting TR signaling with BPAM is given by

$$
P_{c,TR} = \mathbb{E}_{\mu_{TR}} \mathbb{P} \{ Y_{TR,1} < Y_{TR,2} | d_0 = +1, \mu_{TR} \}
$$

$$
= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^q \psi_{\mu_{TR}} \left( \frac{-v}{1 + jv} \right) dv
$$

(21)

where $\psi_{\mu_{TR}}(v) \triangleq \mathbb{E} \{ \exp(jv \mu_{TR}) \}$ is the CF of $\mu_{TR}$. Note that (21) gives an alternative BEP expression to the one derived in [27].

B. EDR-BPAM

In the absence of interference, the received signal can be expressed as $r_{BPAM}(t) = h_U(t) * s_{BPAM}(t) + n(t)$. Similarly to AcR, the EDR in Fig. 2 also first passes the received signal through a BPZF. In the absence of interference, the output of the BPZF can be written as

$$
\tilde{r}_{BPAM}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{L} h_i [(1 - di) b(t - iT_s - \tau_i) + d_i b(t - iT_s - \tau_i)] + \tilde{n}(t)
$$

(22)

where $\tilde{n}(t)$ represent the noise process after the BPZF. The decision variables for the EDR depends on the difference in energy of the received signals over the two observation variables. This can be written as

$$
Z_{ED} = \sum_{j=0}^{N_k-1} \int_{\tau_{ED}^L + c_j T_p + T}^{\tau_{ED}^L + c_j T_p + T + \Delta} (\tilde{r}_{BPAM}(t))^2 dt
$$

(23)

where $T$ is the integration interval. The observed variables in (23) corresponding to the energy of the received signals over the two observation intervals can be written as

$$
Z_{ED,1} = \sum_{j=0}^{N_k-1} \int_0^T [w_{1,j}(t) + \eta_{1,j}(t)]^2 dt,
$$

$$
Z_{ED,2} = \sum_{j=0}^{N_k-1} \int_0^T [w_{2,j}(t) + \eta_{2,j}(t)]^2 dt
$$

(24)
where
\[ w_{1,j}(t) = \frac{(1 + d_0)}{2} b_1(t + jT_{\text{ED}} + c_j T_p), \]
\[ w_{2,j}(t) = \frac{(1 - d_0)}{2} b_2(t + jT_{\text{ED}} + c_j T_p + \Delta), \]
\[ \eta_{1,j}(t) = \tilde{n}(t + jT_{\text{ED}} + c_j T_p), \]
\[ \eta_{2,j}(t) = \tilde{n}(t + jT_{\text{ED}} + c_j T_p + \Delta). \]

Note that \( b_1(t) \triangleq (b_1 * h_U * h_{ZF})(t) \) and \( b_2(t) \triangleq (b_2 * h_U * h_{ZF})(t) \). For analytical convenience, we normalized the observed variables in (24). Using the sampling expansion, the normalized observed variables, \( Z_{\text{ED},1} \) and \( Z_{\text{ED},2} \) in the case of \( d_0 = -1 \) become
\[ Y_{\text{ED},1} \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{ED}}} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2W} \frac{(w_{1,j,m} + \eta_{1,j,m})^2}{2W}, \]
\[ Y_{\text{ED},2} \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{ED}}} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2W} \frac{\eta_{2,j,m}^2}{2W}, \] (25)

where \( w_{1,j,m}, \eta_{1,j,m}, w_{2,j,m}, \) and \( \eta_{2,j,m} \), for odd \( m \) (even \( m \)) are the real (imaginary) parts of the samples of the equivalent low-pass version of \( w_{1,j}(t), \eta_{1,j}(t), w_{2,j}(t), \) and \( \eta_{2,j}(t) \) respectively, sampled at the Nyquist rate \( W \) over the interval \([0, T]\). The noise samples \( \frac{\eta_{1,j,m}}{\sqrt{2W}} \) and \( \frac{\eta_{2,j,m}}{\sqrt{2W}} \) in (25) are statistically independent with equal variance \( \sigma_{\text{ED}}^2 = N_0/2 \). Conditioned on \( \{h_l\} \), the observed variables \( Y_{\text{ED},1} \) and \( Y_{\text{ED},2} \) are non-central and central chi-square r.v.'s with \( q_{\text{ED}} = N_sWT \) degrees of freedom, respectively. The non-centrality parameter of \( Y_{\text{ED},1} \) can be written as
\[ \mu_{\text{ED}} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{ED}}} \sum_{j=0}^{N/2-1} \int_0^T w_{1,j}(t) dt = \frac{E_{\text{ED}}}{N_0} \sum_{l=1}^{L_{\text{CAP}}} h_l^2. \] (26)

Note that, when conditioned on the channel, the r.v.'s \( Y_{\text{ED},1} \) and \( Y_{\text{ED},2} \) have the same distribution as \( Y_{\text{TR},1} \) and \( Y_{\text{TR},2} \) in (17). Therefore, the BEP of the EDR for detecting BPPM can be expressed as
\[ P_{e,\text{ED}} = P_e(\psi_{\mu_{\text{ED}}}(\nu), q_{\text{ED}}) = \mathbb{E}[\exp(j\psi_{\mu_{\text{ED}}}(\nu))] \] (27)
where \( \psi_{\mu_{\text{ED}}}(\nu) = \mathbb{E}[\exp(j\psi_{\mu_{\text{ED}}}(\nu))] \) is the CF of \( \mu_{\text{ED}} \). Comparing (21) and (27), we observe that these two systems achieve the same BEP performance as long as they have equal non-centrality parameters (see (18) and (26)).

IV. BEP WITH A SINGLE INTERFERER

The received NB interference signal can be written, using (2) and (7), as \( \xi(t) = s_N(t) * h_3(t) \). At the output of the BPZF the NB interference signal can be written as
\[ \xi(t) = \sqrt{2J_0}\alpha_3 \cos(2\pi f_J t + \theta) \] (28)
where \( J_0 \) is the average received power of the interference and \( f_J \) is the carrier frequency. The parameters \( \alpha_3 \) and \( \theta \) represent the amplitude and the phase, respectively, of the fading associated with the NB interference.

\(^9\)Due to the statistical symmetry of \( Z_{\text{ED}} \) with respect to \( d_0 \), we simply need to consider only the BEP conditioned on \( d_0 = \pm 1 \).

\(^{10}\)We consider a quasi-static fading channel with no shadowing. Moreover, we assume that the NB interfering signal does not saturate the amplification chain of the UWB receiver.

A. Acr-TR-BPAM

Using the sampling expansion approach in [31], it can be shown that in this case (17) still holds with
\[ \beta_{1,j,m} \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2W}}(\eta_{2,j,m} + \xi_{2,j,m} + \eta_{1,j,m} + \xi_{1,j,m}), \]
\[ \beta_{2,j,m} \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2W}}(\eta_{2,j,m} + \xi_{2,j,m} - \eta_{1,j,m} - \xi_{1,j,m}). \]

The terms \( \xi_{1,j,m} \) and \( \xi_{2,j,m} \), for odd \( m \) (even \( m \)) are the real (imaginary) parts of the samples of the equivalent low-pass version of
\[ \xi_{1,j}(t) = \sqrt{2J_0}\alpha_3 \cos[2\pi(f_J t + 2J_1 T_{\text{TR}} + c_j T_p) + \theta], \]
\[ \xi_{2,j}(t) = \sqrt{2J_0}\alpha_3 \cos[2\pi(f_J t + 2J_1 T_{\text{TR}} + c_j T_p + T_j) + \theta] \]
respectively, sampled at the Nyquist rate \( W \) over the interval \([0, T]\).

Remark 2: Depending on \( \theta \), \( \{c_j\}, \{a_j\}, \{h_l\}, \) and \( \alpha_3 \), the conditional variance \( \sigma_{\text{TR}}^2 \) of \( \beta_{1,j,m} \) and \( \beta_{2,j,m} \) is simply \( \frac{\alpha_3^2}{2} \), and the non-centrality parameters of \( Y_{\text{TR},1} \) and \( Y_{\text{TR},2} \) for \( d_0 = +1 \) are, respectively, given by (29) and (30) shown at the top of the next page, where \( P(f_{J}) \) is the magnitude of the frequency response of \( p(t) \) at frequency \( f_{J} \). The composite random phase is given by \( \varphi \triangleq \arctan(P(f_{J})/\theta) \), where arg \{ \( P(f_{J}) \) \} is the angle of the frequency response of \( p(t) \) at frequency \( f_{J} \), and \( \varphi \) is uniformly distributed over \([0, 2\pi]\). The analysis for the non-centrality parameters of \( Y_{\text{TR},3} \) and \( Y_{\text{TR},4} \) for \( d_0 = -1 \) can be carried out similarly. Using (20), (29) and (30), we invoke the approximate analytical method developed in [31] to obtain the approximate BEP conditioned on \( d_0 = \pm 1 \) as follows:11
\[ P_{e,\text{TR}}(d_0 = \pm 1) \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + \nu^2} \right)^{q_{\text{TR}}} \Re\{e^{j\psi_{\mu_{\text{ED}}}(-1 + j\nu)} q_{\Psi_{\text{TR},d_0 = \pm 1} (\nu), J_0} \} d\nu, \] (31)

where \( q_{\Psi_{\text{TR},d_0 = \pm 1} (\nu), J_0} = \frac{-j\nu}{1 + j\nu} N_sT \left[ 1 \pm \cos(2\pi f_J T_v) \right] + \frac{j\nu}{1 - j\nu} N_sT \left[ 1 \pm \cos(2\pi f_J T_v) \right]. \] (32)

As a result, it follows that the BEP of the Acr for detecting TR signaling with BPAM in the presence of a single NB interferer is given by
\[ P_{e,\text{TR}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( P_{e,\text{TR},d_0 = +1} + P_{e,\text{TR},d_0 = -1} \right). \] (33)

B. EDR-BPAM

Similar to the steps in Section IV-A, we incorporate the NB interference given in (28) into (25) to obtain
\[ Y_{\text{ED},1} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{ED}}} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2W} \frac{(w_{1,j,m} + \xi_{1,j,m} + \eta_{1,j,m})^2}{2W}, \]
\[ Y_{\text{ED},2} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{ED}}} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} \sum_{m=1}^{2W} \frac{(\xi_{2,j,m} + \eta_{2,j,m})^2}{2W}. \] (34)

\(^{11}\)Under the approximate analytical method, the last term \( \mu_{\text{ED}}^2 \) in (29) is considered to be negligible compared to the first two terms.
\[
\mu_{\text{Y}_{\text{tr},1}}^{(\text{NBI})} \triangleq \frac{1}{2\sigma_{\text{TR}}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \int_0^T \left[ w_j(t) + \frac{\xi_{1,j}(t) + \xi_{2,j}(t)}{2} \right]^2 dt
\]

\[
\approx \frac{E_{\text{TR}}}{N_0} \sum_{j=1}^{L_{\text{CAP}}} h_j^2 + \frac{\alpha_j^2 N_s J_0 T}{2N_0} [1 + \cos(2\pi f_j T)]
\]

\[
+ 4\alpha_j \bar{P}(f_j) \sqrt{2 E_{\text{TR}} J_0 \cos(\pi f_j T)} \sum_{j=0}^{N_{\text{NBI}}} \sum_{j=1}^{L_{\text{CAP}}} a_j h_j \cos(2\pi f_j (\tau_j + jT_{\text{TR}} + c_j T_p + T_i/2 + \varphi)),
\]

where \( \xi_{1,j,m} \) and \( \xi_{2,j,m} \) for odd \( m \) (even \( m \)) are the real (imaginary) parts of the samples of the equivalent low-pass version of

\[
\xi_{1,j}(t) \triangleq \sqrt{2 J_0 \omega_j \cos[2\pi f_j (t + jT_{\text{TR}} + c_j T_p + \theta)],}
\]

\[
\xi_{2,j}(t) \triangleq \sqrt{2 J_0 \omega_j \cos[2\pi f_j (t + jT_{\text{TR}} + c_j T_p + \Delta) + \theta]}
\]

respectively, sampled at the Nyquist rate \( W \) over the interval \([0, T]\).

The non-centrality parameter of \( Y_{\text{ED},1} \) in (34) conditioned on \( \{c_j\}, \{a_j\}, \{h_j\}, \alpha_j, \) and \( d_0 = +1 \) is given by (35) at the top of this page, where \( \mu_{\text{A,ED}}^{(\text{NBI})} \), \( \mu_{\text{B,ED}}^{(\text{NBI})} \), and \( \mu_{\text{C,ED}}^{(\text{NBI})} \) denote the received signal energy term, the received interference energy term, and signal-interference cross term, respectively. Specifically, we have

\[
\mu_{\text{A,ED}} = \frac{E_{\text{ED}}}{N_0} \sum_{l=1}^{L_{\text{CAP}}} h_l^2,
\]

\[
\mu_{\text{B,ED}}^{(\text{NBI})} = \frac{\alpha_j^2 J_0}{N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_{\text{NBI}}} \left[ T + \sin \left( \frac{4\pi f_j (T + jT_{\text{TR}} + c_j T_p + 2\theta)}{4\pi f_j} \right) - \sin \left( \frac{4\pi f_j (T + jT_{\text{TR}} + c_j T_p + 2\theta)}{4\pi f_j} \right) \right]
\]

\[
\approx \frac{\alpha_j^2 N_s J_0 T}{2N_0}
\]

and \( \mu_{\text{C,ED}}^{(\text{NBI})} \) expressed in (38) at the top of next page, where the approximation in (37) holds for UWB systems since \( T >> \frac{1}{\pi f_j} \) and \( |\sin(\phi)| \leq 1 \).

Following the steps leading to (37), the non-centrality parameter of \( Y_{\text{ED},2} \) in (34) when conditioned on \( \theta, \alpha_j, \) and \( \mu_{\text{C,ED}}^{(\text{NBI})} \) expressed in (38) at the top of next page, where the approximation in (37) holds for UWB systems since \( T >> \frac{1}{\pi f_j} \) and \( |\sin(\phi)| \leq 1 \).

\[d_0 = +1\] is given by

\[
\mu_{\text{Y}_{\text{tr},2}}^{(\text{NBI})} \approx \frac{\alpha_j^2 N_s J_0 T}{2N_0}.
\]

By invoking the approximate analytical method, we can obtain the approximate BEP of the EDR for detecting BPPM in the presence of a single NB interferer as follows:

\[
P_{\text{e,ED}} \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^{\eta_{\text{ef}}} dv \]

\[\times \Re \left\{ \frac{\psi_{\text{ED}} \left( \frac{v}{1 + v} \right) \psi \left( \frac{g_{\text{ED}}(v) \cdot J_0}{J_0} \right)}{J_0} \right\}
\]

\[\text{where}
\]

\[
g_{\text{ED}}(v) = \frac{N_s T}{J_0 \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} + \frac{v}{1 - v^2} \right)}.
\]

V. BEP WITH MULTIPLE INTERFERERS

Using (2) and (7), the aggregate interference signal can be expressed as \( \zeta_n(t) = s_n^{(m)}(t) * h_n^{(m)}(t) \). At the output of the BPZF, the aggregate interference signal can be written as

\[
\zeta(t) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \zeta_n(t)
\]

where \( \zeta_n(t) \) denotes the interference signal from the \( n \)th NB interferer at the UWB receiver given by

\[
\zeta_n(t) = \sqrt{2I} \frac{e^{\sigma_{\text{G}} t_{\text{R}}}}{R_n} \alpha_n \cos(2\pi f_j (t - \tau_n) + \theta_n)
\]

where \( I \) is the average power at the border of the near-field zone of each interfering transmitter antenna and \( \tau_n \) accounts

\[13\text{As in the case for AcR, the last term } \mu_{\text{C,ED}}^{(\text{NBI})} \text{ in (35) is considered to be negligible compared to the first two terms.}\]
for the asynchronism between the interferers. The parameters \(\alpha_n\) and \(\theta_n\) denote the amplitude and phase, respectively, of the fading associated with the \(n\)th interferer. For notational convenience, we defined \(\phi_n = 2\pi f_j \tau_n + \theta_n\).

We can equivalently write (43) as

\[
\zeta_n(t) = \sqrt{2IT} \Re \left\{ A e^{2\pi f_j t} \right\}
\]

where \(A_n = X_{n,1} + jX_{n,2}\) is a circularly symmetric (CS) Gaussian r.v. with \(X_{n,1} = \alpha_n \cos(\phi_n)\) and \(X_{n,2} = \alpha_n \sin(\phi_n)\). The aggregate interference signal over the period \(T_n\) can be represented as

\[
\zeta(t) = \sqrt{2IT} \Re \{ A e^{2\pi f_j t} \}
\]

where \(A = A_c + jA_s\) such that \(A_c = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\pi f_c g_n}}{\pi f_c} X_{n,1}\) and \(A_s = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\pi f_s g_n}}{\pi f_s} X_{n,2}\).\(^{14}\) As shown in Appendix A, the complex r.v. \(A\) is characterized by a CS stable distribution\(^{15}\)

\[
A \sim S_c\left(\frac{2}{\nu}, 0, \pi C_{2/\nu}^{-1/\nu} 2^{2\pi i/\nu^2} \mathbb{E}\{|X_{n,j}|^{2/\nu}\} \right)
\]

with \(C_x\) defined as

\[
C_x = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
\frac{1-x}{x}, & x \neq 1, \\
\frac{1}{2}, & x = 1.
\end{array} \right.
\]

Interestingly, (45) and (46) imply that the aggregate interference can be thought as a single NB interferer with complex CS stable fading.\(^{16}\)

A. AcR-TR-BPAM

Following the approach in Section IV-A, we derive the non-centrality parameters of \(Y_{TR,1}\) and \(Y_{TR,2}\) when conditioned on \(A, \{c_j\}, \{a_j\}, \{h_i\}\), and \(d_0 = +1\) as shown in (48) and (49) at the top of this page, where \(\phi \equiv \arg\{\hat{P}(f_j)\}\) and the derivation of (48) and (49) can be found in Appendix B. The analysis for the non-centrality parameters of \(Y_{TR,3}\) and \(Y_{TR,4}\) for \(d_0 = -1\) can be carried out similarly. Using the approximate analytical method, it follows from (20), (48), and (49) that the approximate BEP of the AcR for detecting TR signaling with BPAM conditioned on \(A\) and \(d_0 = \pm 1\) is given by

\[
P_{BEP}(\text{AcR}|d_0 = \pm 1) \\
\approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \frac{g_{TR,d_0 = \pm 1}(v) \cdot |A|^2}{v} dv.
\]

It follows from (63) Appendix A that

\[
|A|^2 = 2\gamma^\nu VC
\]

where \(C\) is a central chi-squared distributed r.v. with two degrees of freedom. Applying the scaling property,\(^{17}\) \(|A|^2\) conditioned on \(C\) is stable distributed with characteristic exponent \(1/\nu\), skewness 1, and dispersion \((2\gamma)^{1/\nu} \cos\left(\frac{\pi\nu}{2\nu}\right)\). The CF of \(|A|^2\) conditioned on \(C\) for \(\nu > 1\) is given by

\[
\psi_{|A|^2/C}(\nu) = \exp\left\{-(2\gamma)^{1/\nu} \cos\left(\frac{\pi\nu}{2\nu}\right) |\nu|^{1/\nu} \left[1 - \frac{\nu}{2|\nu|} \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2|\nu|}\right)\right] \right\}.
\]

\(^{17}\) The scaling property states that if \(X \sim S(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)\), then \(kX \sim S(\alpha, \text{sign}(k)\beta, |k|\alpha\gamma)\) for any non-zero real constant \(k\).
The approximated BEP conditioned on $C$ and $d_0 = \pm 1$ can be written as

$$P_{e,TR|C,d_0=\pm 1}^{(NBs)} \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^{q_{TR}} \times \Re \left\{ \psi_{|A|^2|C} \left( g_{TR,d_0=\pm 1} (jv) \cdot I \right) \right\} dv,$$

where $g_{TR,d_0=\pm 1} (jv)$ is defined in (32). The total approximated BEP conditioned on $C$ can be expressed as

$$P_{e,TR|C}^{(NBs)} \approx \frac{1}{2} \left( P_{e,TR|C,d_0=+1}^{(NBs)} + P_{e,TR|C,d_0=-1}^{(NBs)} \right).$$

Compared to (50), we only need to numerically average over $C$, which is computationally much more attractive. However, we can also avoid this averaging by approximating the CF of $|A|^2$ over a certain range of $v$. We can approximate the expectation of (52) with respect to $C$ as follows:

$$\psi_{|A|^2|C} (jv) \approx \left[ 1 + \Omega_v 2^{1/\nu} \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{2\nu} \right) \right] \left( 1 - \frac{\nu}{\nu} \tan \left( \frac{\pi}{2\nu} \right) \right)^{-k_v}$$

where we have used Gamma distribution to approximate the distribution of $C^{1/\nu}$. Using (50) and (55), the approximate BEP of the AcR for detecting TR signaling with BPAM in the presence of multiple NB interferers conditioned on $d_0 = \pm 1$ is given by

$$P_{e,TR|d_0=\pm 1}^{(NBs)} \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^{q_{TR}} \times \Re \left\{ \psi_{|A|^2|C} \left( g_{TR,d_0=\pm 1} (jv) \cdot I \right) \right\} dv.$$

As a result, it follows that the BEP of the AcR for detecting TR signaling with BPAM in the presence of multiple NB interferers is given by

$$P_{e,TR} = \frac{1}{2} \left( P_{e,TR|d_0=+1}^{(NBs)} + P_{e,TR|d_0=-1}^{(NBs)} \right).$$

### B. EDR-BPPM

Following the approach in Section IV-B, we derive the noncentrality parameters of $Y_{E,1}$ and $Y_{E,2}$ conditioned on $A$, $\{c_j\}$, $\{a_j\}$, $\{h_l\}$ and $d_0 = +1$ as given in (58)-(59) at the top of this page, whose derivation follows straightforwardly from Appendix B. Similar to Section V-A, the approximated BEP of the EDR for detecting BPPM conditioned on $C$ in the presence of multiple NB interferers is given by

$$P_{e,ED|C}^{(NBs)} \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^{q_{ED}} \times \Re \left\{ \psi_{|A|^2|C} \left( g_{ED} (jv) \cdot I \right) \right\} dv,$$

where $g_{ED}$ is defined in (41). Alternatively, numerical averaging can be avoided by using the approximate CF in (55), and we can obtain the BEP of the EDR for detecting the BPPM signal in the presence of multiple interference as

$$P_{e,ED}^{(NBs)} \approx \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1}{1 + v^2} \right)^{q_{ED}} \times \Re \left\{ \psi_{|A|^2|C} \left( g_{ED} (jv) \cdot I \right) \right\} dv.$$
A. Single Interferer

Figure 3 compares the BEP performance of both non-coherent receiver structures as a function of SIR in UWB channel with \((L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0, 3)\) and \(WT = L\), in the presence of a single NB interferer for \(E_b/N_0 = 16, 18, 20\) dB using (33) and (40). Interestingly, we see that the performance of the AcR-TR-BPAM system strongly depends on the carrier frequency \(f_3\) of the NB interference. This is consistent with the result in [31] and it can be intuitively explained by considering that the result of a correlation between a single tone at the frequency \(f_3\) and a \(T_r\) second delayed version of it depends on the phase shift among the two signals defined by the product \(f_3 T_r\). On the other hand, the performance of the EDR-BPPM system is independent of \(f_3\). This is expected since the approximate BEP expression for the EDR in (40) is independent of \(f_3\). In addition, we observe that the EDR-based system appears to be much more robust to NB interference compared to the AcR-based system in the interference-limited regime.\(^{18}\) This robustness of the EDR-BPPM system over the AcR-TR-BPAM system depends on the value of \(f_3\) as the amount of interference energy collected by the AcR varies with \(f_3\) (see (33)). However, as the NB interference becomes negligible, i.e., when SIR is greater than 5 dB, both receiver structures yield similar performance.

Figure 4 shows the validity of the approximation used in Section IV-A and IV-B. Specifically, we plot the BEP of both non-coherent receiver structures as a function of \(f_3\) with \((L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0.4, 3)\), \(WT = L\), \(E_b/N_0 = 20\) dB, and SIR = -10 dB. We can see that the approximated analytical results obtained using (33) and (40) are in good agreement with the quasi-analytical results achieved by averaging (20) over 10000 realizations of the non-centrality parameters for AcR-TR-BPAM and EDR-BPPM, respectively, in the presence of single interferer. The realizations of the non-centrality parameters are obtained by simulating \(\varphi, \{\epsilon_j\}, \{a_j\}, \{h_t\}, \) and \(\alpha_j\). In addition, we observe that the two systems yield the same performance only when \(f_3 = n/4T_r\), where \(n\) is an odd positive integer number. This can be intuitively explained by looking at how the NB interference affects the received signal space. In the case of AcR, the “interference-cross interference” term produces a DC component, which is a function of \(f_3 T_r\) as shown in (32). As a result, the received signal space is no longer symmetric around zero for the case of TR signaling with BPAM. On the other hand, the symmetry of the received signal space for BPPM remains unaffected for the case of EDR.

The effect of the integration interval \(T\) on the performance

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\(^{18}\)Note that our analysis assumes that the NB interference bandwidth is much smaller than the reciprocal of \(\Delta\). The effect of the NB interference bandwidth on the EDR is discussed in [33] and [47].
of both non-coherent receiver structures in the presence of a single NB interferer at $f_j = 3.6872$ GHz with $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0, 3)$, $\lambda = 0.01 \text{ m}^{-2}$, $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, and $WT = L$.

of both non-coherent receiver structures in the presence of a single NB interferer at $f_j = 3.6872$ GHz with $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0, 3)$, $\lambda = 0.01 \text{ m}^{-2}$, $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, and $WT = L$.

B. Multiple Interferers

First, we show the validity of the approximate analytical method for the case of multiple NB interferers. In Fig. 6, we plot the BEP performance as a function of $f_j$ with $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0, 3)$, $\lambda = 0.01$, $WT = L$, $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, and $\text{SIR}_T = -10$ dB for both non-coherent systems. Similar to the single NB interferer case, the approximated analytical results are in good agreement with the quasi-analytical results. The approximated analytical results were obtained by averaging the approximated conditional BEP expressions in (54) and (60) over 10,000 realizations of the chi-squared r.v. $C$. The quasi-analytical results were obtained by averaging (20) over 10,000 realizations of non-centrality parameters for AcR-TR-BPAM and EDR-BPPM in the presence of multiple interferers. In Fig. 7, we show the BEP performance of both non-coherent receiver structures as a function of $WT$ with $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, $f_j = 3.6877$ GHz, $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0.4, 3)$, $\lambda = 0.01 \text{ m}^{-2}$, $\nu = 1.5$, and $\sigma_1 = 1.2$ dB. We observe that the approximated analytical results obtained using (57) and (61) are in good agreement with quasi-analytical results obtained by averaging (54) and (60) over several realization of the r.v. $C$. Thus, the approximated BEP expressions in (57) and (61) are useful for investigating the performance of AcR and EDR in the presence of multiple NB interferers. As in the case of a single NB interferer, the EDR-based system performs better than the AcR-based system. We also observe that the optimum $T$ for both receiver structures are different.

Next, we investigate the effect of spatial density $\lambda$ of the multiple NB interferers spatial density $\lambda$ and of the NB interference carrier frequency $f_j$ on the optimum integration time of the AcR-TR-BPAM system for $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, $\text{SIR}_T = -10$ dB, $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0.4, 3)$, $\nu = 1.5$, and $\sigma_1 = 1.2$ dB.

Fig. 6. BEP comparison of UWB non-coherent receiver structures in the presence of multiple NB interferers as a function of $f_j$ for $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0, 3)$, $\lambda = 0.01 \text{ m}^{-2}$, $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, and $\text{SIR}_T = -10$ dB.

Fig. 7. BEP performance in the presence of multiple NB interferers as a function of $WT$ for $f_j = 3.6877$ GHz, $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0.4, 3)$, $\lambda = 0.01 \text{ m}^{-2}$, $\nu = 1.5$, and $\sigma_1 = 1.2$ dB.

Fig. 8. Effect of the multiple NB interferers spatial density $\lambda$ and of the NB interference carrier frequency $f_j$ on the optimum integration time of the AcR-TR-BPAM system for $E_b/N_0 = 20$ dB, $\text{SIR}_T = -10$ dB, $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0.4, 3)$, $\nu = 1.5$, and $\sigma_1 = 1.2$ dB.
of interference energy accumulation. Similar to the single NB interferer results, we see that the performance of AcR-based system strongly depends on the NB interference carrier frequency.

Lastly, we illustrate how our results can be useful for coexistence planning between UWB systems and multiple NB interferers systems. Specifically, we plot in Fig. 10 the BEP performance of EDR-BPPM system as a function of $E_b/N_0$ for $(L, \epsilon, m) = (32, 0.3)$, $WT = L$, $\nu = 1.5$, and $\sigma_1 = 1.2$ dB. We see that a reduction of 10 dB in the spatial density of the interferers allows the increase of the individual interferer power by 15 dB. The relationship between the reduction of the spatial density $\lambda_\nu$ and the increase of the individual interferer power $\Delta_\nu^2$, both expressed in dB, can be derived from (60) and (52), where $\Delta_\nu^2 = \nu \Delta_\lambda$. Note that we will use (57) instead of (61) for the case of AcR-based system.

VII. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we compared two non-coherent UWB receiver structures in terms of BEP performance in multipath fading channels both in the absence and presence of NB interference. In the absence of NB interference, we showed the equivalence of these two receiver structures in terms of their BEP performance under certain conditions on pulse energy and signaling structure. On the other hand, when NB interference is present, we showed that the EDR-based system is more robust than the AcR-based system. We considered both single and multiple NB interferers cases. In the multiple NB interferers case, we considered that the interfering nodes are scattered according to a spatial Poisson process and showed that the aggregate interference can be represented by a single tone NB interference with a CS complex stable r.v.. Our framework is simple enough to enable a tractable analysis and can serve as a guideline for the design of heterogeneous networks where coexistence between UWB and NB systems is of importance. There are many important extensions to this paper that are worth pursuing. For example, one possible direction is to generalize the formulation to the case where the interfering nodes are operated on different carrier frequencies. The coexistence between uncoordinated networks, where multiple wideband interferer are present, is also an interesting issue to be investigated. Some work in this direction can be found in [47], [48].

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APPENDIX A

DERIVATION OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF $A$

If a homogeneous Poisson point process in the plane has spatial density $\lambda$ and $R_n$ denotes the distance of node $i$ to the origin, then, by the mapping theorem [39], the sequence $\{R_n^2\}_{n=1}^\infty$ represents Poisson arrival times on the line with constant arrival rate $\lambda \pi$. Using this fact, it can be shown that $A$ in (45) has the following distribution [46], [49]

$$A = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{\sigma_1 G_n} X_n}{R_n^\alpha} \sim S_c \left( \alpha = \frac{2}{\nu}, \beta = 0, \gamma = \lambda \pi C_2^{-1} \nu \mathbb{E} \{ |e^{\sigma_1 G_n} X_n|^2 / \nu \} \right)$$

for $\nu > 1$, which simplifies to (46). Note that $X_n$ is CS due to the uniform phase $\phi_n$, implying that $A$ is CS. Thus $A$ can be decomposed as follows [46]:

$$A = \sqrt{V} G$$

with $V \sim S(\alpha/2, 1, \cos(\pi \nu))$ and $G = G_1 + \gamma G_2$, where $G_1$ and $G_2$ are i.i.d Gaussian r.v.’s with zero mean and variance $2\gamma^2/\alpha$, respectively. In addition, $V$ and $G$ are independent.
The term $\mu_{\text{A,TR}}$ is the same as that in (29) defined for the case of single NB interferer. The term $\mu_{\text{B,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})}$ can be derived by expanding all the terms as shown in (65), (66), and (67) at the top of the next page.

The approximations in (65) are obtained considering that $T \gg \frac{1}{\pi f_j}$, $|\sin \phi| \leq 1$, $|\cos \phi| \leq 1$ and $|A|^2 \geq |A_e A_b|$. In addition, $\mu_{\text{D,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})} = \frac{A_{JTN}}{2N_0} \cos (2\pi f_j T_i)$ when $T_\cos (2\pi f_j T_i) \gg \frac{1}{T}$. Otherwise, $\mu_{\text{D,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})}$ is of the same order as $\frac{1}{\pi f_j}$, which is negligible compared to the first term of $\mu_{\text{B,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})}$. As a result we can ignore the latter case and consider only the scenario when $T_\cos (2\pi f_j T_i) \gg \frac{1}{T}$. The term $\mu_{\text{B,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})}$ can then be approximated as

$$\mu_{\text{B,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})} \approx \frac{|A|^2 JTN}{2N_0} \left[1 + \cos (2\pi f_j T_i)\right].$$  \hfill (68)

The third term $\mu_{\text{C,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})}$ can be derived as shown in (69) at the top of this page. Substituting the expressions of $\mu_{\text{A,TR}}$, $\mu_{\text{B,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})}$, and $\mu_{\text{C,TR}}^{(\text{NBIs})}$ in (64), we obtain (48).

Using a similar approach leading to (68), the non-centrality parameter of $Y_{\text{TR},2}$ is approximated as follows:

$$Y_{\text{TR},2} \approx \frac{|A|^2 JTN}{2N_0} \left[1 - \cos (2\pi f_j T_i)\right].$$  \hfill (70)

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\frac{1}{2N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \int_0^T c_{1,j}(t) dt = \frac{A_1^2 I}{2N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \left[ T + \frac{\sin(4\pi f_j(T + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p))}{4\pi f_j} - \frac{\sin(4\pi f_j(j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p))}{4\pi f_j} \right] \\
+ \frac{A_2 I}{N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \left[ \cos(4\pi f_j(T + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p)) - \cos(4\pi f_j(j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p)) \right] \\
+ \frac{A_2 I}{2N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \left[ T - \frac{\sin(4\pi f_j(T + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p))}{4\pi f_j} + \frac{\sin(4\pi f_j(j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p))}{4\pi f_j} \right] \\
\approx \frac{|A|^2 IN_s}{4N_0}, \tag{65}
\]

\[
\frac{1}{2N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \int_0^T c_{2,j}(t) dt \approx \frac{|A|^2 IN_s}{4N_0}, \tag{66}
\]

\[
\frac{1}{N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \int_0^T \zeta_{1,j}(t)\zeta_{2,j}(t) dt \approx \mu_{D,TR}^{(NBIs)}. \tag{67}
\]

\[
\mu_{C,TR}^{(NBIs)} = \frac{2\sqrt{2E_p}IAC}{N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \sum_{l=1}^{L_{CAP}} a_j \int_0^{T_p} p(t) \left[ \cos(2\pi f_j(t + \tau_l + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p)) \\
+ \cos(2\pi f_j(t + \tau_l + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_r)) \right] dt \\
- \frac{2\sqrt{2E_p}IAC}{N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \sum_{l=1}^{L_{CAP}} \int_0^{T_p} p(t) \left[ \sin(2\pi f_j(t + \tau_l + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p)) \\
+ \sin(2\pi f_j(t + \tau_l + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_r)) \right] dt \\
= \frac{4|\hat{P}(f_j)|\sqrt{2E_p}I}{N_0} \sum_{j=0}^{N_0-1} \sum_{l=1}^{L_{CAP}} h_l \left[ A_c \cos(\pi f_j T_r) \cos(2\pi f_j(\tau_l + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_r/2) + \varphi) \\
- A_c \cos(\pi f_j T_r) \sin(2\pi f_j(\tau_l + j2T_{TR} + c_jT_p + T_r/2) + \varphi) \right]. \tag{69}
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