

Coverage and Rate Analysis of Millimeter Wave NOMA Networks with Beam Misalignment

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Abstract—Non-orthogonal multiple access (NOMA) and millimeter wave (mmWave) are two key enabling technologies for the fifth generation (5G) wireless networks. In this paper, we develop a general performance analysis framework for downlink NOMA transmission in mmWave networks with spatially random users taking into account link blockages and directional beamforming. To facilitate NOMA transmission in mmWave networks, we propose an angle-based user pairing strategy, where the base station first randomly selects one user and then pairs it with the line-of-sight user that has the minimum relative angle difference. The proposed strategy increases the probability that both NOMA users are covered by the main lobe created by directional beamforming. To account for the randomness of link blockages and user locations, we consider dynamic user ordering among the paired NOMA users. Tools from stochastic geometry are utilized to derive the coverage probability, outage sum rate, and ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme, where beam misalignment at both the base station and users is taken into account. Simulations validate the performance analysis and show that the proposed NOMA scheme achieves a larger coverage probability and higher outage and ergodic sum rates than conventional NOMA with distance-based user pairing and orthogonal multiple access.

Index Terms—Millimeter wave networks, non-orthogonal multiple access, beam misalignment, angle-based user pairing, coverage probability, ergodic sum rate.

I. INTRODUCTION

Non-orthogonal multiple access (NOMA) [2]–[4] has the potential to significantly enhance the spectral efficiency and fairness of the fifth generation (5G) wireless networks, which is vital for meeting the rapidly increasing traffic demands. Different from orthogonal multiple access (OMA), with NOMA, a base station can simultaneously serve multiple users in the

same frequency channel. For example, power-domain NOMA¹ employs superposition coding at the transmitter side and applies successive interference cancellation (SIC) at the receiver side to accomplish this.

NOMA has recently received considerable research interest [4]–[12]. System-level performance evaluations in [4] show that transmit power allocation and user pairing are two important design aspects for NOMA. The authors in [5] study the impact of user pairing on the outage probability and the sum rate of NOMA systems, where both fixed and cognitive radio based power allocation strategies are considered. The results in [5] show that the performance gain of NOMA over OMA is larger when users with diverse channel conditions are paired. To maximize the sum rate of the paired NOMA users, optimal power allocation schemes for multiple-input multiple-output (MIMO) and multicarrier NOMA systems are proposed in [6] and [7], respectively. The performance of downlink NOMA transmission under unsaturated traffic conditions is studied in [8], [9]. According to the NOMA decoding strategy, the user, which is allocated a lower transmit power, has to decode the signal intended for the other user before decoding its own signal. By exploiting this feature, a cooperative NOMA scheme is proposed in [10], where the lower power user helps forward the signal of the other user. To achieve both superimposed signal transmission and cooperative diversity in one time slot, the authors in [11], [12] propose a dynamic decode-and-forward based cooperative NOMA scheme. The aforementioned studies focus on resource allocation and performance analysis of NOMA for sub-6 GHz frequencies.

Millimeter wave (mmWave) is another key enabling technology for 5G networks [13]–[15]. Signals at mmWave frequencies (i.e., 30 – 300 GHz) are more sensitive to blockage effects compared to sub-6 GHz frequencies. The 3rd Generation Partnership Project (3GPP) reported stark differences in the propagation characteristics of line-of-sight (LOS) and non-line-of-sight (NLOS) links at mmWave frequencies [16]. Due to the short wavelength of mmWave signals, antenna arrays can be deployed at the base station and the devices to implement beamforming and to exploit array gains to ensure a sufficiently high received signal power. Based on real-world channel measurements, the authors in [17] evaluate the performance of mmWave networks. Their results show that the capacity achieved by mmWave cellular networks can be an order-of-magnitude higher than that of conventional

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¹NOMA can be realized by exploiting different domains (e.g., power domain, code domain). In this paper, we focus on power-domain NOMA.

cellular networks. By using a sectorized model to approximate the beamforming pattern, the authors in [18] analyze the coverage probability of mmWave networks for different link blockage models. Based on realistic channel and blockage models extracted from empirical data, the coverage probability and the data rate of mmWave cellular networks are derived in [19]. The authors in [20] propose sinc and cosine antenna pattern models to better approximate the actual beamforming pattern and derive coverage probabilities for both ad hoc and cellular networks. By considering the blockages caused by large vehicles, the authors in [21] derive the outage probability of highway vehicular communications, where mmWave base stations are deployed alongside the road. The authors in [22] provide a realistic-yet-tractable performance analysis by using a curve fitting tool to approximate the channel gains of the desired and interfering links. The authors in [23] study the impact of beam training and pilot reuse on the achievable rate of mmWave networks. When large antenna arrays are used, the authors in [24] compare the performance of different MIMO techniques (i.e., multi-user MIMO, single-user spatial multiplexing, and single-user analog beamforming) in mmWave networks.

The coexistence of NOMA and mmWave has recently been studied in [25]–[28]. The authors in [25] apply random beamforming in mmWave-NOMA networks to reduce the channel estimation overhead. Taking into account hardware constraints, the application of finite resolution analog beamforming in mmWave-NOMA networks is studied in [26]. The authors in [27] analyze the capacity of mmWave-NOMA networks in both noise-limited and interference-limited scenarios. To support more users than the number of available radio frequency (RF) chains, the authors in [28] propose a beam-space MIMO-NOMA scheme for mmWave networks. However, in practical implementations, beam misalignment at the base station and the users is inevitable [29]. This can reduce the probability that the paired NOMA users are covered by the main lobe created by directional beamforming and degrade the network performance. Hence, to overcome this problem, a new user pairing strategy and a corresponding performance analysis framework taking into account beam misalignment are needed to facilitate NOMA transmission in mmWave networks.

In this paper, we consider a downlink mmWave network with spatially random users. As the link blockage is distance-dependent, the spatial locations of the LOS and NLOS users are modeled as independent inhomogeneous Poisson point processes (PPPs). We take into account both directional beamforming and beam misalignment at both the base station and the paired NOMA users. To facilitate NOMA transmission in mmWave networks, we propose an angle-based user pairing strategy. Specifically, the base station first randomly selects one user and then pairs it with the LOS user that has the minimum relative angle difference. The proposed NOMA scheme increases the probability that both paired NOMA users are covered by the main lobe of the base station, even in the presence of beam misalignment. The main contributions of this paper are summarized as follows:

- We develop a general and tractable performance analysis framework for downlink NOMA transmission in mmWave

networks with spatially random users taking into account link blockages, directional beamforming, beam misalignment, user pairing, and dynamic user ordering. We propose a novel angle-based user pairing strategy to facilitate NOMA transmission in mmWave networks by increasing the probability of exploiting antenna array gains.

- We derive the distributions of the random variables relevant for performance analysis, including the distances between the base station and the LOS (and NLOS) users, the angle difference between the paired NOMA users, and the total directivity gains between the base station and the paired NOMA users. Based on these results, we derive the coverage probability, the outage sum rate, and the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme, where Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature is utilized to reduce the computational complexity.

- Simulation results validate the performance analysis and demonstrate that the proposed NOMA scheme with angle-based user pairing achieves a better performance than conventional NOMA with distance-based user pairing and OMA in terms of the coverage probability, the outage sum rate, and the ergodic sum rate. Moreover, we illustrate the impact of various system parameters (e.g., beamsteering error variances, transmit power allocation coefficients, beamwidth of the main lobe, and user density) on the network performance.

This paper extends its conference version [1] in several aspects. Instead of fixed user ordering as in [1], we consider dynamic user ordering to account for the randomness of link blockages and user locations. Besides the coverage probability and the outage sum rate analyzed in [1], we also derive the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme, where adaptive modulation/coding is used to achieve the Shannon bound for a given instantaneous channel quality.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. In Section II, we describe the system model including the proposed angle-based user pairing and dynamic user ordering strategies. The coverage probability and the outage sum rate are analyzed in Section III, while the ergodic sum rate is derived in Section IV. Numerical and simulation results are presented in Section V. Finally, Section VI concludes this paper.

II. SYSTEM MODEL

A. Network Topology

Consider downlink NOMA transmission in an mmWave cellular network, which consists of one base station and multiple spatially random users, as shown in Fig. 1. The base station is located at the center of a circular network coverage area with radius R . The spatial locations of the users are assumed to follow a homogeneous PPP, denoted as Φ , with density λ , which represents the average number of users per unit area.

As mmWave links are vulnerable to blockage effects, it is necessary to model both the LOS and NLOS path loss characteristics [30]. For outdoor transmission, a link can be either LOS or NLOS, depending on the presence of obstacles between the base station and the user. The blockages of different links are assumed to be independent from each other, as in [18]–[20], [24], [25]. Numerical results in [18], [31] show

C. NOMA Scheme for mmWave Networks

We consider the case where two users are paired for NOMA transmission. A two-user NOMA scheme has recently been included in the 3GPP Long Term Evolution Advanced (LTE-A) standard [36], where it is referred to as multiuser superposition transmission (MUST). To ensure fairness, the base station first selects one user at random. This user is referred to as the *typical user* and denoted as U_0 . To facilitate NOMA transmission in mmWave networks with directional beamforming, we propose an angle-based user pairing strategy. Specifically, the user paired with typical user U_0 is denoted as U_p and is selected based on the following criterion

$$z_p = \begin{cases} \arg \min_{z_i \in \Phi_L \setminus \{z_0\}} \{\phi_{0i}\}, & \text{if user } U_0 \text{ is LOS,} \\ \arg \min_{z_i \in \Phi_L} \{\phi_{0i}\}, & \text{if user } U_0 \text{ is NLOS,} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

where z_p denotes the spatial location of the paired NOMA user U_p , $\phi_{0i} = |\phi_0 - \phi_i|$ denotes the absolute value of the angle difference between angles ϕ_0 and ϕ_i , and ϕ_i denotes the angle of user U_i with respect to the base station. The proposed user pairing strategy selects the LOS user that has the minimum angle difference (i.e., ϕ_{0p}) to the typical user. Hence, the angle information of each LOS user has to be known at the base station. For the example shown in Fig. 1, user U_1 is selected as the paired NOMA user for the typical user, because user U_3 is NLOS and $\phi_{01} < \phi_{02}$. We note that for the proposed angle-based user pairing strategy, the probability that both NOMA users are covered by the main lobe of the base station is high, even for narrow beamwidths. Hence, the probability that the paired NOMA users can exploit the antenna array gain to enhance the signal quality is also high. On the other hand, the conventional distance-based user pairing strategy was developed for omni-directional transmission [37]. Since the angle difference is not taken into account, it is not likely that the paired NOMA users are both covered by the main lobe created by directional beamforming. Hence, they cannot both exploit the antenna array gain, which may lead to a large performance degradation in mmWave networks.

Whether NOMA or OMA is enabled depends on the value of angle difference ϕ_{0p} . In particular, the base station performs NOMA and simultaneously serves both NOMA users (i.e., U_0 and U_p) if $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, where Θ_B^{NOMA} denotes the beamwidth of the main lobe of the base station for NOMA transmission. On the other hand, if $\phi_{0p} > \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, i.e., the base station cannot cover both NOMA users in the main lobe even without beam misalignment, then the base station serves users U_0 and U_p using OMA with beamwidth Θ_B^{OMA} . The beamwidth of the main lobe at the base station for NOMA transmission is generally not smaller than that for OMA transmission, i.e., $\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} \geq \Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}$. This is because although a narrow beam may be easily steered to cover a single user, it may not be able to simultaneously cover two paired NOMA users.

For NOMA transmission (i.e., $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$), the signal intended for the typical user can either be decoded first or second, depending on the link blockages and the spatial locations of users U_0 and U_p . In particular, the signal intended for paired NOMA user U_p is decoded first when both NOMA

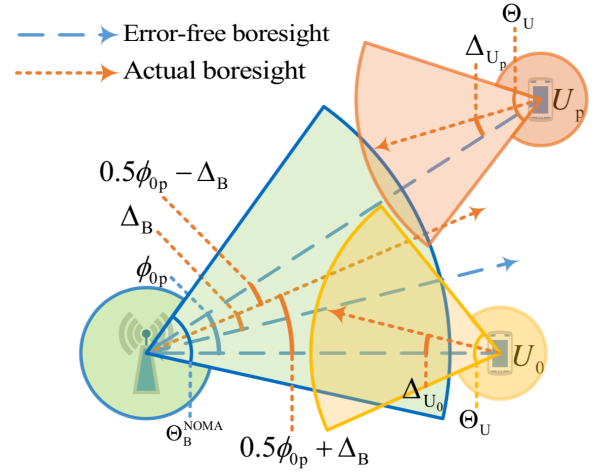


Fig. 2: Directional beamforming at the base station and at NOMA users U_0 and U_p with beamsteering errors Δ_B , Δ_{U_0} , and Δ_{U_p} . The error-free boresight direction of the base station has the same angle difference (i.e., $0.5\phi_{0p}$) to typical user U_0 and paired NOMA user U_p . However, due to beam misalignment, there is in general a beamsteering error (i.e., Δ_B) between the actual and the error-free boresight directions.

users are LOS and $r_0 \leq r_p$. The corresponding NOMA scheme is referred to as NOMA-I. On the other hand, the signal intended for typical user U_0 is decoded first when one of the following cases occurs: (1) Both NOMA users are LOS and $r_p < r_0$; (2) The typical user is NLOS and the paired NOMA user is LOS. The NOMA schemes for cases (1) and (2) are referred to as NOMA-II and NOMA-III, respectively. We denote the transmit power allocation coefficients for the signals being decoded first and second as α_F and α_S , respectively, with $\alpha_F > \alpha_S$ and $\alpha_F^2 + \alpha_S^2 = 1$. Note that we consider a fixed transmit power allocation strategy, where the values of α_F and α_S are pre-allocated and do not depend on the channel gains. The signal reception for each case is described as follows.

1) *NOMA-I*: In this case, the signal intended for user U_p is decoded first. The SINR of the signal intended for user U_p observed at user U_0 is

$$\gamma_{p \rightarrow 0} = \frac{\alpha_F^2 P_B |h_0|^2 \mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_0)}{\alpha_S^2 P_B |h_0|^2 \mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_0) + \sigma^2}, \quad (4)$$

where P_B denotes the total transmit power of the base station, $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}$ denotes the total directivity gain between the base station and typical user U_0 when NOMA is enabled, and σ^2 denotes the power of the additive white Gaussian noise (AWGN).

To reduce the adverse effects of beam misalignment on the coverage of the paired NOMA users in the main lobe, the base station adjusts its beam orientation so that its error-free boresight direction has the same angle difference (i.e., $0.5\phi_{0p}$) with respect to typical user U_0 and paired NOMA user U_p , as shown in Fig. 2. However, due to beam misalignment, there is a beamsteering error (i.e., Δ_B) between the actual and the error-free boresight directions. Hence, for NOMA, the total directivity gain between the base station and typical user U_0 is given by

$$\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} = G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, 0.5\phi_{0p} + \Delta_B) G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_0}), \quad (5)$$

where Θ_U denotes the beamwidth of the main lobe of the user.

If user U_0 can successfully decode the signal intended for user U_p , then user U_0 performs SIC to remove intra-cell interference and decodes its own signal with signal-to-noise ratio (SNR)

$$\gamma_0 = \frac{\alpha_S^2 P_B |h_0|^2 \mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_0)}{\sigma^2}. \quad (6)$$

Otherwise, user U_0 cannot perform SIC and cannot decode its own signal, i.e., an outage occurs.

On the other hand, paired NOMA user U_p treats the signal intended for user U_0 as intra-cell interference. Hence, the SINR observed at the paired NOMA user U_p is given by

$$\gamma_{p|0} = \frac{\alpha_F^2 P_B |h_p|^2 \mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_p)}{\alpha_S^2 P_B |h_p|^2 \mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_p) + \sigma^2}, \quad (7)$$

where $\mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}}$ denotes the total directivity gain between the base station and paired NOMA user U_p when NOMA is enabled. Similar to (5), we have

$$\mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}} = G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, 0.5\phi_{0p} - \Delta_B) G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_p}), \quad (8)$$

where beamsteering error Δ_{U_p} is independent of beamsteering errors Δ_B and Δ_{U_0} .

2) *NOMA-II and NOMA-III*: In these two cases, the signal intended for user U_0 is decoded first. Paired NOMA user U_p first decodes the signal intended for typical user U_0 with SINR

$$\gamma_{0 \rightarrow p} = \frac{\alpha_F^2 P_B |h_p|^2 \mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_p)}{\alpha_S^2 P_B |h_p|^2 \mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_p) + \sigma^2}. \quad (9)$$

If paired NOMA user U_p can successfully decode the signal intended for typical user U_0 , then user U_p performs SIC and decodes its own signal with the following SNR

$$\gamma_p = \frac{\alpha_S^2 P_B |h_p|^2 \mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_p)}{\sigma^2}. \quad (10)$$

On the other hand, typical user U_0 decodes its own signal based on the following SINR

$$\gamma_{0|p} = \frac{\alpha_F^2 P_B |h_0|^2 \mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_\nu(r_0)}{\alpha_S^2 P_B |h_0|^2 \mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_\nu(r_0) + \sigma^2}, \quad (11)$$

where $\nu \in \{L, N\}$ represents either the LOS (L) or the NLOS (N) link.

3) *OMA*: When a second NOMA user for pairing does not exist or the angle difference ϕ_{0p} is greater than beamwidth Θ_B^{NOMA} , the base station cannot cover two NOMA users in the main lobe, even without beam misalignment. Thereby, the base station serves users U_0 and U_p using OMA with main lobe beamwidth Θ_B^{OMA} . The received SNR observed at user $U_j, j \in \{0, p\}$, is

$$\gamma_{j,\nu}^{\text{OMA}} = \frac{P_B |h_j|^2 \mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}} \ell_\nu(r_j)}{\sigma^2}, \quad \nu \in \{L, N\}, \quad (12)$$

where $\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}}$ denotes the total directivity gain between the base station and user U_j when OMA is enabled. For OMA transmission, the base station adjusts its beam orientation so that its error-free boresight direction is aligned with the vector from the base station to user U_j . Considering the beamsteering

errors at both the base station and user U_j , the total directivity gain between the base station and user $U_j, j \in \{0, p\}$, for OMA is given by

$$\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}} = G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}, \Delta_B) G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_j}). \quad (13)$$

The SINRs and the total directivity gains given in (4)-(13) are all random variables, due to the randomness of the small-scale fading (h_0 and h_p), the angle difference (ϕ_{0p}), the beamsteering errors (Δ_B , Δ_{U_0} , and Δ_{U_p}), the distance between the base station and the NOMA users (r_0 and r_p), and the link blockages. In the following two sections, we analyze the coverage probability, the outage sum rate, and the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme.

III. COVERAGE PROBABILITY AND OUTAGE SUM RATE ANALYSIS

In this section, we first present the probability density functions (PDFs) and probability mass functions (PMFs) of the relevant random variables, and then we analyze the coverage probabilities and outage sum rate of the paired users for the proposed NOMA scheme.

A. Some Useful PDFs and PMFs

To derive the coverage probability, we first need to derive the PDFs and PMFs of the relevant random variables, including the distances between the base station and the users, the number of LOS and NLOS users in the network, the angle difference between the paired NOMA users, and the total directivity gains between the base station and the users. The following lemma presents the PDFs of the distances of the randomly selected LOS and NLOS users to the base station.

Lemma 1. *Given that the base station observes at least one LOS user, the PDF of the distance between the base station and a randomly selected LOS user is given by*

$$f_L(r) = \frac{r}{\rho} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\eta}\right), \quad 0 \leq r \leq R, \quad (14)$$

where $\rho = \eta^2 \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{R}{\eta}\right)\right) \left(1 + \frac{R}{\eta}\right)$.

Similarly, given that the base station observes at least one NLOS user, the PDF of the distance between the base station and a randomly selected NLOS user can be expressed as

$$f_N(r) = \frac{2r}{R^2 - 2\rho} \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\eta}\right)\right), \quad 0 \leq r \leq R. \quad (15)$$

Proof. Please refer to Appendix A. $\square$

For two LOS users, we refer to the LOS user closer to the base station as the *near LOS user* and to the other LOS user as the *far LOS user*. The following lemma presents the PDFs of the distances of the near and far LOS users from the base station.

Lemma 2. *For two LOS users, the PDF of the distance between the base station and the near LOS user is given by*

$$f_{r_n}(r) = \frac{2r}{\rho} \left(1 - \frac{\eta^2}{\rho}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\eta}\right)$$

$$+ \frac{2\eta^2 r}{\rho^2} \left(1 + \frac{r}{\eta}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{2r}{\eta}\right), 0 \leq r \leq R. \quad (16)$$

The PDF of the distance between the base station and the far LOS user can be expressed as

$$f_{r_f}(r) = \frac{2\eta^2 r}{\rho^2} \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\eta}\right) - \frac{2\eta^2 r}{\rho^2} \left(1 + \frac{r}{\eta}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{2r}{\eta}\right), 0 \leq r \leq R. \quad (17)$$

Proof. Please refer to Appendix B. $\square$

According to Lemmas 1 and 2, the PDFs of the user distances only depend on the average LOS range (η) and the radius of the network coverage area (R). As the spatial locations of the LOS and NLOS users form inhomogeneous PPPs Φ_L and Φ_N with densities $\lambda p(r)$ and $\lambda(1-p(r))$, respectively, the PMFs of the number of the LOS and NLOS users in the network coverage area can be expressed as $\Psi_L(k_L) = (\lambda 2\pi \rho)^{k_L} \exp(-\lambda 2\pi \rho) / k_L!$ and $\Psi_N(k_N) = (\lambda \pi (R^2 - 2\rho))^{k_N} \exp(-\lambda \pi (R^2 - 2\rho)) / k_N!$, respectively. When the number of LOS users in the network coverage area is given, the following lemma provides the PDF of angle difference ϕ_{0p} .

Lemma 3. When there are k_L LOS users in the network coverage area, based on the user pairing strategy given in (3), the PDF of the angle difference between the typical user and the paired NOMA user, i.e., ϕ_{0p} , can be expressed as

$$f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi) = \begin{cases} \frac{k_L - 1}{\pi} \left(\frac{2\pi - \phi}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L - 3}, & \text{if } U_0 \text{ is LOS,} \\ \frac{k_L}{\pi} \left(\frac{2\pi - \phi}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L - 1}, & \text{if } U_0 \text{ is NLOS.} \end{cases} \quad (18)$$

Proof. Please refer to Appendix C. $\square$

According to Lemma 3, the PDF of angle difference ϕ_{0p} is independent of the user locations, but depends on whether typical user U_0 is LOS or NLOS. From (18), we observe that the probability of having a small angle difference (ϕ_{0p}) increases with k_L , which directly depends on the user density (λ). A smaller angle difference increases the probability that NOMA transmission is enabled as well as the probability that both NOMA users are covered by the main lobe in the presence of beam misalignment. Given the angle difference ϕ_{0p} , the following lemma presents the PMFs of the total directivity gains $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}$ and $\mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}}$ for NOMA transmission.

Lemma 4. Given the angle difference between typical user U_0 and paired NOMA user U_p , i.e., ϕ_{0p} , the PMFs of the total directivity gains $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}$ and $\mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}}$ for NOMA transmission can, respectively, be expressed as

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} = c_i) = d_i(\phi_{0p}), \quad \text{for } i = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \quad (19)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}} = c_i) = v_i(\phi_{0p}), \quad \text{for } i = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \quad (20)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}) G_U^M(\Theta_U), \quad c_2 = G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}) G_U^S(\Theta_U), \\ c_3 &= G_B^S(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}) G_U^M(\Theta_U), \\ c_4 &= G_B^S(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}) G_U^S(\Theta_U), \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d_1(\phi_{0p}) &= g(\phi_{0p}) y, \quad d_2(\phi_{0p}) = g(\phi_{0p}) (1 - y), \\ d_3(\phi_{0p}) &= (1 - g(\phi_{0p})) y, \\ d_4(\phi_{0p}) &= (1 - g(\phi_{0p})) (1 - y), \\ v_1(\phi_{0p}) &= s(\phi_{0p}) y, \quad v_2(\phi_{0p}) = s(\phi_{0p}) (1 - y), \\ v_3(\phi_{0p}) &= (1 - s(\phi_{0p})) y, \\ v_4(\phi_{0p}) &= (1 - s(\phi_{0p})) (1 - y), \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} g(\phi_{0p}) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} - \phi_{0p}}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_B}\right) - \operatorname{erf}\left(-\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} + \phi_{0p}}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_B}\right) \right), \\ y &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\Theta_U}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_U}\right) - \operatorname{erf}\left(-\frac{\Theta_U}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_U}\right) \right), \quad \text{and } s(\phi_{0p}) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} + \phi_{0p}}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_B}\right) - \operatorname{erf}\left(-\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} - \phi_{0p}}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_B}\right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Please refer to Appendix D. $\square$

According to Lemma 4, the total directivity gain depends on the beamwidth of the main lobes of the base station and the user, the beamsteering error variances, and the angle difference ϕ_{0p} . A larger beamwidth of the main lobe and a smaller angle difference reduce the negative impact of beam misalignment on the total directivity gain. Similarly, the following lemma presents the PMF of the total directivity gain $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{OMA}}$ for OMA transmission.

Lemma 5. The PMF of the total directivity gain $\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}}, j \in \{0, p\}$, for OMA transmission is

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}} = l_i) = \tau_i, \quad \text{for } i = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \quad (24)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} l_1 &= G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}) G_U^M(\Theta_U), \quad l_2 = G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}) G_U^S(\Theta_U), \\ l_3 &= G_B^S(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}) G_U^M(\Theta_U), \quad l_4 = G_B^S(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}) G_U^S(\Theta_U), \\ \tau_1 &= wy, \quad \tau_2 = w(1 - y), \\ \tau_3 &= (1 - w)y, \quad \tau_4 = (1 - w)(1 - y), \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

$$w = \frac{1}{2} \left(\operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_B}\right) - \operatorname{erf}\left(-\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma_B}\right) \right), \quad \text{and } y \text{ is given in Lemma 4.}$$

Proof. Please refer to Appendix E. $\square$

Based on the results provided in Lemmas 1-5, we derive the coverage probabilities of typical user U_0 and paired NOMA user U_p in the following two subsections.

B. Coverage Probability of NOMA Transmission

Because of the dynamic user ordering, we denote the target data rate of the user whose signal is decoded first as R_F and the target data rate of the other user as R_S . The coverage probability is defined as the probability that a user can successfully decode the signal transmitted by the base station with a certain target data rate. The signal intended for the typical user can either be decoded first or second depending on the link blockage status of the typical user and the distances of users U_0 and U_p . Hence, we have the following three cases.

$$Q_{1,0}(\xi_1) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_L-1} \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{(N_L \xi_1)^n}{n! (c_i C_L)^n} \int_0^{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}} d_i(\phi) f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi) d\phi \int_0^R r^{n\beta_L} \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1 r^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right) f_{r_n}(r) dr \quad (27)$$

$$\approx \sum_{n=0}^{N_L-1} \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} R \pi^2 (N_L \xi_1)^n}{4 M_1 M_2 n! (c_i C_L)^n} \left(\sum_{m_1=1}^{M_1} \sqrt{1 - \zeta_{m_1}^2} d_i(\phi_{0p,m_1}) f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi_{0p,m_1}) \right) \\ \times \left(\sum_{m_2=1}^{M_2} \sqrt{1 - \varpi_{m_2}^2} r_{n,m_2}^{n\beta_L} \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1 r_{n,m_2}^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right) f_{r_n}(r_{n,m_2}) \right), \quad (28)$$

1) *NOMA-I*: In this case, typical user U_0 is the near LOS user. Hence, user U_0 can successfully decode its own signal if it can successfully perform SIC (i.e., $\gamma_{p \rightarrow 0} \geq T_F$) and the SNR of its own signal is not smaller than T_S (i.e., $\gamma_0 \geq T_S$), where $T_F = 2^{R_F} - 1$ and $T_S = 2^{R_S} - 1$. The following proposition presents the coverage probability of user U_0 .

Proposition 1. *When both users U_0 and U_p are LOS, $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, and $r_0 \leq r_p$, the coverage probability of typical user U_0 can be computed as*

$$P_{1,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) = \sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_L(k_L) \Psi_N(k_N) Q_{1,0}(\xi_1), \quad (26)$$

if $\alpha_F^2 > T_F \alpha_S^2$, otherwise $P_{1,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) = 0$, where $\xi_1 = \max\left\{\frac{T_F \sigma^2}{(\alpha_F^2 - T_F \alpha_S^2) P_B}, \frac{T_S \sigma^2}{\alpha_S^2 P_B}\right\}$, $Q_{1,0}(\xi_1)$ is given in (28), shown at the top of this page, $\phi_{0p,m_1} = \frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}}{2}(\zeta_{m_1} + 1)$, $\zeta_{m_1} = \cos\left(\frac{2m_1-1}{2M_1}\pi\right)$, $r_{n,m_2} = \frac{R}{2}(\varpi_{m_2} + 1)$, $\varpi_{m_2} = \cos\left(\frac{2m_2-1}{2M_2}\pi\right)$, M_1 and M_2 are parameters for balancing the tradeoff between computational complexity and the accuracy of the Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature approximation, c_i and $d_i(\phi_{0p,m_1})$ are given in (21) and (22), respectively, and $f_{r_n}(r_{n,m_2})$ and $f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi_{0p,m_1})$ are given in (16) and (18), respectively.

Proof. Please refer to Appendix F. $\square$

Note that, for the system model under consideration, the approximation in (28) is only due to the use of Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature, which approximates the integrals over the angle difference and the distance by summations. The total number of Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature summation terms used to approximate these two independent integrals is $M_1 + M_2$. Numerical results (not shown here) reveal that the approximation error is less than 10^{-3} when $M_1 = M_2 = 30$. According to Proposition 1, the coverage probability of typical user U_0 depends on the target data rates of both paired NOMA users. In addition, the coverage probability also depends on the beamwidth of the main lobe (i.e., Θ_B^{NOMA}), as it determines the antenna gain of the main lobe and also affects the probability that typical user U_0 is covered by the main lobe of the base station in the presence of beam misalignment. The transmit power allocation coefficients should be appropriately set, i.e., $\alpha_F^2 > T_F \alpha_S^2$, so as to ensure that the typical user U_0 can successfully perform SIC, which is the prerequisite for the decoding of its own signal. Hence, the target data rate of the

user whose signal is decoded first, R_F , is limited by the transmit power allocation coefficients, i.e., $R_F < \log_2\left(1 + \frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2}\right)$. On the other hand, a small value of α_S^2 limits the achievable rate of the user whose signal is decoded second, R_S . Hence, the value of $\alpha_F^2 \in \left(\frac{T_F}{1+T_F}, 1\right)$ can be optimized to enhance the outage sum rate.

The following corollary provides a simplified expression for $Q_{1,0}(\xi_1)$ in (27) for the case that the LOS ball model [18], [33] is used and beamsteering errors are absent. Note that the LOS probability of the LOS ball model is modeled as a step function, i.e., $p(r) = \mathbb{1}(r < R_{\text{LOS}})$, where $\mathbb{1}(\cdot)$ denotes the indicator function and $R_{\text{LOS}} < R$ is the maximum length of a LOS link.

Corollary 1. *If the LOS ball model is employed and beamsteering errors are absent, $Q_{1,0}(\xi_1)$ in (27) can be simplified as*

$$Q_{1,0}(\xi_1) = \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L-2}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{N_L-1} \frac{4}{n! \beta_L R_{\text{LOS}}^2} \\ \times \left(\left(\frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_1 C_L}\right)^{\beta_L} \gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{\beta_L}, \frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_1 C_L} R_{\text{LOS}}^{\beta_L}\right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{R_{\text{LOS}}^2} \left(\frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_1 C_L}\right)^{\beta_L/4} \gamma\left(n + \frac{4}{\beta_L}, \frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_1 C_L} R_{\text{LOS}}^{\beta_L}\right) \right), \quad (29)$$

where $\gamma(\cdot, \cdot)$ is the lower incomplete Gamma function.

Proof. Please refer to Appendix G. $\square$

Without beamsteering errors, $Q_{1,0}(\xi_1)$ increases linearly with the probability that the angle difference ϕ_{0p} is smaller than Θ_B^{NOMA} , i.e., with $1 - \left(1 - \frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L-2}$, as this is the probability that both NOMA users are covered by the main lobe of the base station. In NOMA-I, paired NOMA user U_p is the far LOS user. Thereby, user U_p can successfully decode its own signal if the SINR of its own signal is not smaller than T_F (i.e., $\gamma_{p|0} \geq T_F$). The following proposition provides the coverage probability for user U_p .

Proposition 2. *When both users U_0 and U_p are LOS, $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, and $r_0 \leq r_p$, the coverage probability of user U_p is given by*

$$P_{1,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) = \sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_L(k_L) \Psi_N(k_N) Q_{1,p}(\xi_2), \quad (30)$$

if $\alpha_F^2 > T_F \alpha_S^2$, otherwise $P_{I,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) = 0$, where $\xi_2 = \frac{T_F \sigma^2}{(\alpha_F^2 - T_F \alpha_S^2) P_B}$, $Q_{I,p}(\xi_2)$ is given in (32), shown at the top of the next page, $r_{f,m_2} = \frac{R}{2}(\varpi_{m_2} + 1)$, ζ_{m_1} , ϕ_{0p,m_1} , and ϖ_{m_2} are given in Proposition 1, $f_{r_f}(r_{f,m_2})$ is given in (17), and c_i and $v_i(\phi_{0p,m_1})$ are given in (21) and (23), respectively.

Proof. Please refer to Appendix H. $\square$

According to Proposition 2, the coverage probability of paired NOMA user U_p does not depend on the target data rate of typical user U_0 as user U_p does not need to perform SIC. The coverage probability does depend on the PDF of the distance of the far LOS user and the transmit power allocation coefficients.

2) *NOMA-II*: The case of NOMA-II occurs when both paired NOMA users are LOS, $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, and $r_0 > r_p$. In this case, users U_0 and U_p are the far and near LOS users, respectively. Hence, the coverage probabilities of users U_0 and U_p can, respectively, be expressed as

$$P_{II,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) = \sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L \Psi_L(k_L)}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_N(k_N) Q_{II,0}(\xi_2), \quad (33)$$

$$P_{II,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) = \sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L \Psi_L(k_L)}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_N(k_N) Q_{II,p}(\xi_1), \quad (34)$$

where

$$Q_{II,0}(\xi_2) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{0|p} \geq T_F, \phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, r_0 > r_p), \quad (35)$$

$$Q_{II,p}(\xi_1) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{0 \rightarrow p} \geq T_F, \gamma_p \geq T_S, \phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, r_p < r_0). \quad (36)$$

Following the same steps as in the proofs of Propositions 1 and 2, we obtain $Q_{II,0}(\xi_2)$ from $Q_{I,p}(\xi_2)$ given in (31) by replacing $v_i(\phi_{0p,m_1})$ with $d_i(\phi_{0p,m_1})$, and we obtain $Q_{II,p}(\xi_1)$ from $Q_{I,0}(\xi_1)$ given in (27) by replacing $d_i(\phi_{0p,m_1})$ with $v_i(\phi_{0p,m_1})$. Note that, in (33) and (34), $\sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_L(k_L) \Psi_N(k_N)$ is the probability that there are at least two LOS users and typical user U_0 is LOS, and $Q_{II,p}(\xi_1)$ is the probability that paired NOMA user U_p can successfully perform SIC and decode its own signal when NOMA is enabled.

3) *NOMA-III*: The case of NOMA-III occurs when typical user U_0 is NLOS and paired NOMA user U_p is LOS, and $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$. In this case, the signal intended for user U_0 is decoded first. The coverage probabilities of users U_0 and U_p can, respectively, be expressed as

$$P_{III,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) = \sum_{k_L=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=1}^{\infty} \frac{k_N \Psi_L(k_L)}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_N(k_N) Q_{III,0}(\xi_2), \quad (37)$$

$$P_{III,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) = \sum_{k_L=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=1}^{\infty} \frac{k_N \Psi_L(k_L)}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_N(k_N) Q_{III,p}(\xi_1), \quad (38)$$

where

$$Q_{III,0}(\xi_2) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{0|p} \geq T_F, \phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}), \quad (39)$$

$$Q_{III,p}(\xi_1) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{0 \rightarrow p} \geq T_F, \gamma_p \geq T_S, \phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}). \quad (40)$$

As typical user U_0 is NLOS and is randomly selected, we obtain $Q_{III,0}(\xi_2)$ from $Q_{I,0}(\xi_1)$ given in (27) by replacing N_L , ξ_1 , C_L , β_L , and $f_{r_n}(r_{n,m_2})$ by N_N , ξ_2 , C_N , β_N , and $f_N(r_{n,m_2})$, respectively. Similarly, we obtain $Q_{III,p}(\xi_1)$ from $Q_{I,p}(\xi_2)$ given in (31) by replacing ξ_2 and $f_{r_f}(r_{f,m_2})$ with ξ_1 and $f_L(r_{f,m_2})$, respectively. Note that $\sum_{k_L=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=1}^{\infty} \frac{k_N}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_L(k_L) \Psi_N(k_N)$ is the probability that there is at least one LOS user and typical user U_0 is a NLOS user.

C. Coverage Probability of OMA Transmission

OMA transmission is enabled when a second NOMA user for pairing does not exist or the angle difference is $\phi_{0p} > \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$. Based on Lemma 5, the complementary CDF (CCDF) of SNR $\gamma_{j,\nu}^{\text{OMA}}, j \in \{0, p\}, \nu \in \{L, N\}$, defined in (12) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{F}_{\gamma_{j,\nu}^{\text{OMA}}}(\gamma) &\stackrel{(a)}{=} \mathbb{P}\left(|h_j|^2 P_B \mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}} \ell_\nu(r_j) / \sigma^2 \geq \gamma\right) \\ &\stackrel{(b)}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{N_\nu-1} \frac{(N_\nu \gamma \sigma^2 / P_B)^n}{n!} \mathbb{E}\{\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}}, r_j\} \left[\frac{\exp\left(-\frac{N_\nu \gamma \sigma^2 / P_B}{\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}} \ell_\nu(r_j)}\right)}{(\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}} \ell_\nu(r_j))^n} \right] \\ &\stackrel{(c)}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{N_\nu-1} \frac{(N_\nu \gamma \sigma^2 / P_B)^n}{n!} \sum_{i=1}^4 \tau_i \int_0^R \left(\frac{r_j^{\beta_\nu}}{l_i C_\nu}\right)^n \\ &\quad \times \exp\left(-\frac{N_\nu \gamma \sigma^2 r_j^{\beta_\nu}}{P_B l_i C_\nu}\right) f_\nu(r_j) dr_j, \\ &\stackrel{(d)}{\approx} \sum_{n=0}^{N_\nu-1} \frac{R \pi (N_\nu \gamma \sigma^2 / P_B)^n}{2 M_2 n!} \sum_{i=1}^4 \tau_i \sum_{m_2=1}^{M_2} \sqrt{1 - \varpi_{m_2}^2} \\ &\quad \times \left(\frac{r_{j,m_2}^{\beta_\nu}}{l_i C_\nu}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{N_\nu \gamma \sigma^2 r_{j,m_2}^{\beta_\nu}}{P_B l_i C_\nu}\right) f_\nu(r_{j,m_2}), \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

where (a) follows by substituting (12), (b) follows from the normalized Gamma distribution of $|h_j|^2$, (c) follows by taking the expectations over $\mathcal{D}_j^{\text{OMA}}$ and r_j , and (d) follows by applying Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature [38]. Note that we adopt an exact expression for the CDF of the normalized random variable $|h_j|^2$, rather than its upper bound as in previous works [18].

When typical user U_0 is LOS, its coverage probability can be computed as

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}1}(T_F) &= \Psi_L(1) \Psi_N(0) \bar{F}_{\gamma_{0,L}^{\text{OMA}}}(T_F) \\ &\quad + \Psi_L(1) \sum_{k_N=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Psi_N(k_N)}{1 + k_N} \bar{F}_{\gamma_{0,L}^{\text{OMA}}}(2T_F) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_L(k_L) \Psi_N(k_N) Q_1^{\text{OMA}}(T_F), \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

where $Q_1^{\text{OMA}}(T_F) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{0,L}^{\text{OMA}} \geq 2T_F, \phi_{0p} > \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}) \stackrel{(a)}{=} \bar{F}_{\gamma_{0,L}^{\text{OMA}}}(2T_F) \left(\frac{2\pi - \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L-2}$. Note that (a) follows from the independence between SNR $\gamma_{0,L}^{\text{OMA}}$ and angle difference ϕ_{0p} . On the right hand side of (42), the first and second terms represent the coverage probability when user U_0 is the only LOS user in the network, where a second NOMA user for

$$Q_{1,p}(\xi_2) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_L-1} \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{(N_L \xi_2)^n}{n! (c_i C_L)^n} \int_0^{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}} v_i(\phi) f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi) d\phi \int_0^R r^{n\beta_L} \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_2 r^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right) f_{r_f}(r) dr \quad (31)$$

$$\approx \sum_{n=0}^{N_L-1} \sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} R \pi^2 (N_L \xi_2)^n}{4M_1 M_2 n!} \left(\sum_{m_1=1}^{M_1} \sqrt{1 - \zeta_{m_1}^2} v_i(\phi_{0p,m_1}) f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi_{0p,m_1}) \right) \times \sum_{m_2=1}^{M_2} \sqrt{1 - \varpi_{m_2}^2} \left(\frac{r_{f,m_2}^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L} \right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_2 r_{f,m_2}^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right) f_{r_f}(r_{f,m_2}), \quad (32)$$

pairing does not exist. The third term is the coverage probability when both users U_0 and U_p are LOS but $\phi_{0p} > \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$. When OMA is enabled, the base station transmits the signals to users U_0 and U_p in the first and second halves of a time slot, respectively. Note that $Q_1^{\text{OMA}}(T_F)$ is a decreasing function of the beamwidth of the main lobe of the base station (Θ_B^{NOMA}) and the number of LOS users (k_L).

On the other hand, when typical user U_0 is NLOS, its coverage probability is given by

$$P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}2}(T_F) = \Psi_L(0) \Psi_N(1) \bar{F}_{\gamma_{0,N}^{\text{OMA}}}(T_F) + \Psi_L(0) (1 - \Psi_N(0) - \Psi_N(1)) \bar{F}_{\gamma_{0,N}^{\text{OMA}}}(2T_F) + \sum_{k_L=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=1}^{\infty} \frac{k_N \Psi_L(k_L)}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_N(k_N) Q_2^{\text{OMA}}(T_F), \quad (43)$$

where $Q_2^{\text{OMA}}(T_F) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{0,N}^{\text{OMA}} \geq 2T_F, \phi_{0p} > \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}) = \bar{F}_{\gamma_{0,N}^{\text{OMA}}}(2T_F) \left(\frac{2\pi - \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}}{2\pi} \right)^{2k_L}$.

On the right hand side of (43), the first and second terms represent the coverage probability when there are no LOS users in the network coverage area. The third term is the coverage probability when user U_0 is NLOS and user U_p is LOS but $\phi_{0p} > \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$.

Similar to (42) and (43), when OMA is used, the coverage probability of user U_p is given by

$$P_{\text{OMA},p}^{\text{cov}}(T_S) = \Psi_L(1) \sum_{k_N=1}^{\infty} \frac{\Psi_N(k_N)}{1 + k_N} \bar{F}_{\gamma_{p,N}^{\text{OMA}}}(2T_S) + \sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L \Psi_L(k_L)}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_N(k_N) Q_1^{\text{OMA}}(T_S) + \Psi_L(0) (1 - \Psi_N(0) - \Psi_N(1)) \bar{F}_{\gamma_{p,N}^{\text{OMA}}}(2T_S) + \sum_{k_L=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=1}^{\infty} \frac{k_N \Psi_L(k_L)}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_N(k_N) Q_3^{\text{OMA}}(T_S), \quad (44)$$

where $Q_3^{\text{OMA}}(T_S) = \bar{F}_{\gamma_{p,L}^{\text{OMA}}}(2T_S) \left(\frac{2\pi - \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}}{2\pi} \right)^{2k_L}$.

According to (42), (43), and (44), the probability that OMA transmission is enabled depends on the user density (λ), the average LOS range (η), and the beamwidth of the main lobe (Θ_B^{NOMA}).

D. Coverage Probability and Outage Sum Rate of Proposed NOMA Scheme

Based on the analysis in Sections III-B and III-C, we present the main result on the coverage probability of the proposed NOMA scheme in the following theorem.

Theorem 1. *The coverage probabilities of users U_0 and U_p for the proposed NOMA scheme in mmWave networks with beam misalignment can, respectively, be expressed as*

$$P_0^{\text{cov}} = 0.5 (P_{I,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) + P_{II,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2)) + P_{III,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) + P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}1}(T_F) + P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}2}(T_F), \quad (45)$$

$$P_p^{\text{cov}} = 0.5 (P_{I,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) + P_{II,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1)) + P_{III,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) + P_{\text{OMA},p}^{\text{cov}}(T_S). \quad (46)$$

Proof. When both users U_0 and U_p are LOS, they have the same probability (i.e., 0.5) to be the near or the far LOS user due to the randomness of the user locations. By considering all the cases for NOMA and OMA transmission in Sections III-B and III-C, respectively, we directly obtain the coverage probabilities of users U_0 and U_p given in (45) and (46), respectively. $\square$

Outage rate is defined as the mean data rate achievable at a user when its signal is transmitted with a certain target data rate. Based on the derived coverage probability, the outage sum rate of the typical user and the paired NOMA user can be directly calculated as

$$R_{\text{sum}} = \left(\frac{1}{2} (P_{I,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) + P_{II,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2)) + P_{III,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) \right) R_F + (P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}1}(T_F) + P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}2}(T_F)) R_F + \left(\frac{1}{2} (P_{I,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2) + P_{II,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1)) + P_{III,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_1) \right) R_S + P_{\text{OMA},p}^{\text{cov}}(T_S) R_S. \quad (47)$$

The outage sum rate is not a monotonic function of the radius of the network coverage area, R . As the polynomially increasing term with respect to R in the expression for the coverage probability (e.g., (28)) cannot compensate for the exponentially decreasing term when R is large, the outage sum rate first increases and then decreases as R increases. Hence, the value of R can be optimized to enhance the spectrum efficiency.

IV. ERGODIC SUM RATE ANALYSIS

In this section, we derive the ergodic sum rate of both paired NOMA users for the proposed scheme in mmWave networks. The ergodic rate, as an important metric of spectral efficiency, refers to the mean data rate achievable at a user when adaptive modulation/coding is used to achieve the Shannon bound for a given instantaneous SINR [39]. The ergodic rate is given by

$$\mathcal{R} = \mathbb{E}_{\gamma} [\log_2 (1 + \min\{\gamma, T_{\text{max}}\})]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln 2} \int_0^{T_{\max}} \frac{\bar{F}_\gamma(x)}{1+x} dx, \quad (48)$$

where γ and $\bar{F}_\gamma(x)$ denote the SINR and its CCDF, respectively, $\mathbb{E}_\gamma[\cdot]$ is the expectation with respect to SINR γ , $T_{\max} = 2^{R_{\max}} - 1$ is the SINR threshold imposed by practical constraints for the RF circuit, and $R_{\max}$ is the maximum achievable rate. If the SINR exceeds $T_{\max}$, this cannot be exploited for further rate improvement. Instead of using fixed target data rates as in the analysis of the coverage probability, the ergodic rate is opportunistically determined by the instantaneous SINR observed at the user and SINR threshold $T_{\max}$. In this paper, the ergodic sum rate refers to the summation of the ergodic rates of typical user U_0 and paired NOMA user U_p . In the following subsections, we analyze the ergodic sum rates for NOMA and OMA transmission.

A. Ergodic Sum Rate of NOMA Transmission

As demonstrated in [40], when the far user can successfully decode its own signal, the near user can always decode the signal intended for the far user due to its better channel conditions. Hence, the ergodic rates of users U_0 and U_p in NOMA-I are determined by the SINRs γ_0 and $\gamma_{p|0}$ given in (6) and (7), respectively. The following proposition presents the ergodic sum rate of the paired NOMA users in NOMA-I.

Proposition 3. *When both users U_0 and U_p are LOS, $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, and $r_0 \leq r_p$, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme can be computed as*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_I^{\text{NOMA}} \approx & \frac{T_{\max} \pi}{2M_3 \ln 2} \sum_{m_3=1}^{M_3} \sqrt{1 - \delta_{m_3}^2} \frac{P_{I,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_3(\gamma_{m_3}))}{1 + \gamma_{m_3}} \\ & + \frac{\min \left\{ T_{\max}, \frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2} \right\} \pi}{2M_4 \ln 2} \sum_{m_4=1}^{M_4} \sqrt{1 - \chi_{m_4}^2} \frac{P_{I,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_4(\gamma_{m_4}))}{1 + \gamma_{m_4}}, \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

where $\xi_3(\gamma_{m_3}) = \frac{\sigma^2 \gamma_{m_3}}{\alpha_S^2 P_B}$, $\xi_4(\gamma_{m_4}) = \frac{\sigma^2 \gamma_{m_4}}{(\alpha_F^2 - \gamma_{m_4} \alpha_S^2) P_B}$, $\gamma_{m_3} = \frac{T_{\max}}{2} (\delta_{m_3} + 1)$, $\delta_{m_3} = \cos \left(\frac{2m_3 - 1}{2M_3} \pi \right)$, $\gamma_{m_4} = \min \left\{ T_{\max}, \frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2} \right\} (\chi_{m_4} + 1)/2$, $\chi_{m_4} = \cos \left(\frac{2m_4 - 1}{2M_4} \pi \right)$, M_3 and M_4 are parameters to balance the tradeoff between computational complexity and the accuracy of the Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature approximation, and $P_{I,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_3(\gamma_{m_3}))$ and $P_{I,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_4(\gamma_{m_4}))$ are given by (26) and (30).

Proof. Please refer to Appendix I. $\square$

According to Proposition 3, the ergodic rate of each user is expressed as a function of the coverage probability. In addition, the ergodic rate of the far LOS user is limited by both the SINR threshold $T_{\max}$ and $\frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2}$, which indicates the importance of appropriate transmit power allocation. On the other hand, the ergodic rate of the near user is not limited by $\frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2}$. Thereby, the near user can achieve a higher ergodic rate. The following corollary provides the ergodic sum rate of the paired NOMA users in NOMA-II and NOMA-III.

Corollary 2. *When both users U_0 and U_p are LOS, $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, and $r_0 > r_p$, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme is given by*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{II}^{\text{NOMA}} \approx & \frac{\min \left\{ T_{\max}, \frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2} \right\} \pi}{2M_4 \ln 2} \sum_{m_4=1}^{M_4} \sqrt{1 - \chi_{m_4}^2} \frac{P_{II,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_4(\gamma_{m_4}))}{1 + \gamma_{m_4}} \\ & + \frac{T_{\max} \pi}{2M_3 \ln 2} \sum_{m_3=1}^{M_3} \sqrt{1 - \delta_{m_3}^2} \frac{P_{II,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_3(\gamma_{m_3}))}{1 + \gamma_{m_3}}, \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

where $P_{II,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_4(\gamma_{m_4}))$ and $P_{II,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_3(\gamma_{m_3}))$ are given by (33) and (34), respectively.

Similarly, when typical user U_0 is NLOS, paired NOMA user U_p is LOS, and $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{R}_{III}^{\text{NOMA}} \approx & \frac{\min \left\{ T_{\max}, \frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2} \right\} \pi}{2M_4 \ln 2} \sum_{m_4=1}^{M_4} \sqrt{1 - \chi_{m_4}^2} \frac{P_{III,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_4(\gamma_{m_4}))}{1 + \gamma_{m_4}} \\ & + \frac{T_{\max} \pi}{2M_3 \ln 2} \sum_{m_3=1}^{M_3} \sqrt{1 - \delta_{m_3}^2} \frac{P_{III,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_3(\gamma_{m_3}))}{1 + \gamma_{m_3}}, \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

where $P_{III,0}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_4(\gamma_{m_4}))$ and $P_{III,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_3(\gamma_{m_3}))$ are given by (37) and (38), respectively.

Proof. For these two cases, the ergodic rates of users U_0 and U_p are determined by the SINRs $\gamma_{0|p}$ and γ_p given in (11) and (10), respectively. By following the same steps as in the proof of Proposition 1, we obtain (50) and (51). $\square$

B. Ergodic Sum Rate of OMA Transmission

In the proposed scheme, OMA is enabled when a second NOMA user for pairing does not exist or the angle difference is $\phi_{0p} > \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$. In this case, the ergodic rate of user U_j , $j \in \{0, p\}$, is determined by SNR $\gamma_{j,\nu}^{\text{OMA}}$, $\nu \in \{L, N\}$, given in (12). Based on the CCDF of SNR $\gamma_{j,\nu}^{\text{OMA}}$ derived in (41), the ergodic sum rate of users U_0 and U_p for OMA transmission is given in (52), shown at the top of the next page, where $P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}1}(\gamma_{m_3})$, $P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov}2}(\gamma_{m_3})$, and $P_{\text{OMA},p}^{\text{cov}}(\gamma_{m_3})$ are given in (42), (43), and (44), respectively.

C. Ergodic Sum Rate of Proposed Scheme

Based on the analysis in Sections IV-A and IV-B, we present the main result on the ergodic sum rate of the proposed scheme in the following theorem.

Theorem 2. *The ergodic sum rate of typical user U_0 and paired NOMA user U_p for the proposed NOMA scheme in mmWave networks with beam misalignment can be computed as*

$$\mathcal{R}^{\text{NOMA}} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{R}_I^{\text{NOMA}} + \mathcal{R}_{II}^{\text{NOMA}}) + \mathcal{R}_{III}^{\text{NOMA}} + \mathcal{R}^{\text{OMA}}, \quad (53)$$

where $\mathcal{R}_I^{\text{NOMA}}$, $\mathcal{R}_{II}^{\text{NOMA}}$, $\mathcal{R}_{III}^{\text{NOMA}}$, and $\mathcal{R}^{\text{OMA}}$ are given in (49), (50), (51), and (52), respectively.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{R}^{\text{OMA}} &= \frac{1}{\ln 2} \int_0^{T_{\max}} \frac{P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov1}}(x) + P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov2}}(x) + P_{\text{OMA},p}^{\text{cov}}(x)}{1+x} dx \\
&\approx \frac{T_{\max} \pi}{2M_3 \ln 2} \sum_{m_3=1}^{M_3} \sqrt{1 - \delta_{m_3}^2} \frac{P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov1}}(\gamma_{m_3}) + P_{\text{OMA},0}^{\text{cov2}}(\gamma_{m_3}) + P_{\text{OMA},p}^{\text{cov}}(\gamma_{m_3})}{1 + \gamma_{m_3}},
\end{aligned} \tag{52}$$

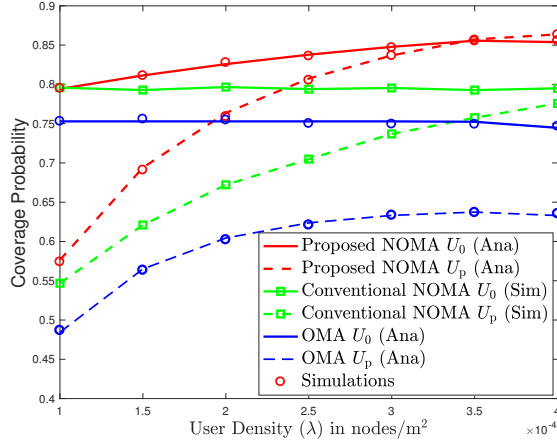


Fig. 3: Coverage probability of users U_0 and U_p versus user density.

Proof. When both users U_0 and U_p are LOS, they have the same probability (i.e., 0.5) to be the near and the far user. By utilizing the ergodic sum rates for NOMA and OMA transmission derived in (49), (50), (51), and (52), respectively, we obtain the ergodic sum rate of users U_0 and U_p given in (53). $\square$

V. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

In this section, we present the simulation and analytical results for the proposed NOMA scheme and compare them with the results for conventional NOMA and OMA. Conventional NOMA adopts distance-based user pairing, where the base station pairs the typical user with the user that is closest to the base station [37]. In OMA, for a fair comparison, the base station transmits the signals to the typical user and the paired NOMA user in the first and second halves of a time slot, respectively. In the simulations, we consider a circular network coverage area with radius $R = 200$ m. The noise power is -90 dBm. Unless specified otherwise, we set $\beta_L = 2.5$, $\beta_N = 3.5$, $C_L = 2$, $C_N = 1$, $N_L = 3$, $N_N = 2$, $\eta = 50$ m, $\alpha_F^2 = 0.9$, $\alpha_S^2 = 0.1$, $\zeta = 0.1$, $\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} = \pi/3$, $\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}} = \pi/6$, $\Theta_U = \pi/6$, $R_F = 2$ bit per channel use (BPCU), $R_S = 8$ BPCU, $P_B = 10$ dBm, and $\sigma_B^2 = \sigma_U^2 = 0.2$. For all numerical results shown, we set the number of summation terms for the Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature to 50, which is sufficiently large to make the approximation error negligible.

Fig. 3 shows the impact of the user density (i.e., λ) on the coverage probability. The simulation (Sim) results match well with the analytical (Ana) results, which validates the performance analysis. As λ increases, the probability that the angle difference ϕ_{0p} is smaller than Θ_B^{NOMA} increases, which

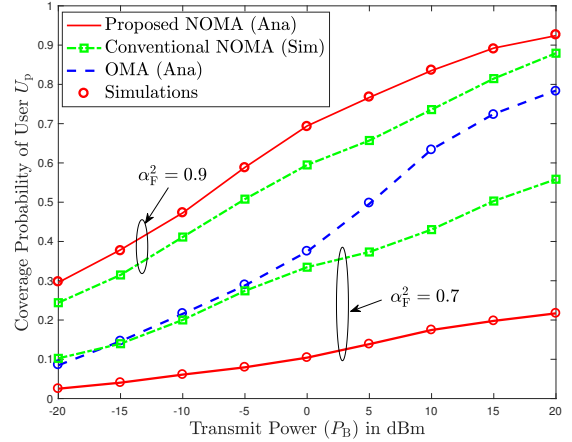


Fig. 4: Coverage probability of user U_p versus transmit power for $\lambda = 0.0003$ nodes/m².

in turn increases the probability that NOMA can be enabled and reduces the negative effects of beam misalignment. Hence, the coverage probabilities of typical user U_0 in the proposed NOMA scheme and paired NOMA user U_p in all considered schemes increase with λ . However, the coverage probability of typical user U_0 in conventional NOMA and OMA does not depend on λ , as the probability that typical user U_0 is served with NOMA is independent of λ . As the probability that both NOMA users are covered by the main lobe of the base station is higher, the coverage probabilities of both users are higher for the proposed NOMA scheme with angle-based user pairing compared to conventional NOMA with distance-based user pairing.

Fig. 4 illustrates the impact of the transmit power (i.e., P_B) and the power allocation coefficient (i.e., α_F^2) on the coverage probability of paired NOMA user U_p . As P_B increases, for all considered schemes the coverage probability of user U_p increases, as the received signal power also increases. When $\alpha_F^2 = 0.9$, the proposed NOMA scheme outperforms conventional NOMA and OMA. However, if α_F^2 is decreased from 0.9 to 0.7, the coverage probabilities of user U_p under both NOMA schemes decrease significantly, and are even lower than the coverage probability of OMA. This is because the probability that paired NOMA user U_p can successfully perform SIC decreases with α_F^2 . As the probability that OMA is enabled is higher, conventional NOMA with distance-based user pairing achieves a higher coverage probability than the proposed NOMA scheme with angle-based user pairing when the transmit power is not appropriately allocated. These results show that appropriate transmit power allocation plays an important role in exploiting the potential performance gains

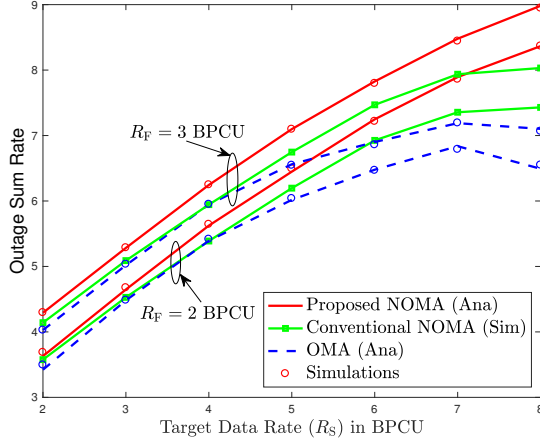


Fig. 5: Outage sum rate versus target data rates for $\lambda = 0.0003$ nodes/m².

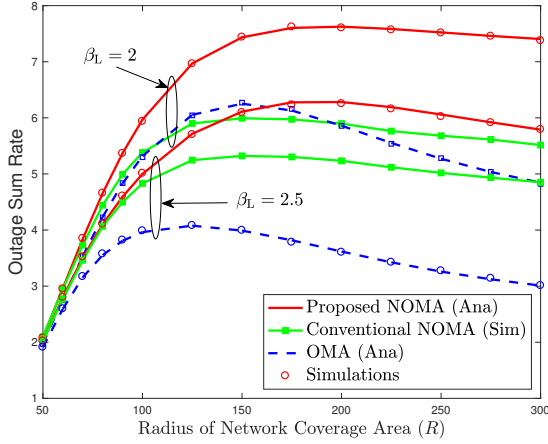


Fig. 6: Outage sum rate versus radius of network coverage area for $\lambda = 0.0001$ nodes/m², $\eta = 100$ m, and $P_B = 0$ dBm.

of NOMA.

In Fig. 5, we show the outage sum rates of the proposed NOMA scheme as a function of the target data rates of both paired NOMA users (i.e., R_S and R_F). As R_S increases, the outage sum rates of all considered schemes improve. Similarly, the outage sum rates of all considered schemes also increase with R_F . However, because the coverage probability decreases with R_S , the rate of improvement of the outage sum rates decreases for large R_S . Moreover, we observe that the outage sum rate gap between NOMA and OMA becomes larger when R_S increases. Hence, the outage sum rate gain of NOMA over OMA is higher when the paired NOMA users have more diverse target data rates. This is because the SINR requirements for OMA to achieve the same spectral efficiency as NOMA increase disproportionately for large R_S .

Fig. 6 shows the impact of the radius of the network coverage area (i.e., R) and the path loss exponent of the LOS links (i.e., β_L) on the outage sum rate. As R increases, the outage sum rate first increases to a peak point as the number of users in the network increases and in turn the probability that two users are served using NOMA increases. However,

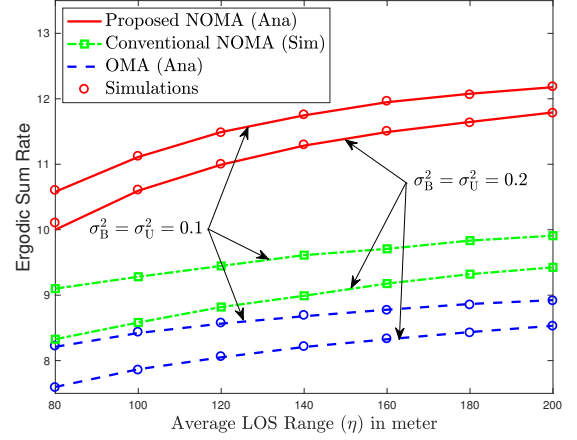


Fig. 7: Ergodic sum rate versus average LOS range for different beamsteering error variances, $\lambda = 0.0001$ nodes/m², $\beta_L = 2$, $P_B = 0$ dBm, and $R_{\max} = 10$ BPCU.

if R is increased beyond a certain point, the outage sum rate starts to decrease, as both paired NOMA users, especially the typical user, are more likely to suffer from larger path losses. Hence, the size of the network coverage area can be adjusted to maximize spectral efficiency. On the other hand, when β_L is smaller, higher outage sum rates are achieved. This is because signals are less attenuated for smaller path loss exponents, and hence, the network achieves better SINR coverage.

In Fig. 7, we compare the ergodic sum rates of the proposed NOMA scheme as functions of the average LOS range (i.e., η) for different beamsteering error variances (i.e., σ_B^2 and σ_U^2). As η increases, the probabilities that the typical user is LOS and the angle difference ϕ_{0p} is small increase. Hence, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme increases with η . In addition, the ergodic sum rates of all considered schemes decrease when the beamsteering error variance increases, as the probability that a user is covered by the main lobe of the base station decreases when σ_B^2 and σ_U^2 increase. Moreover, the ergodic sum rate achieved by the proposed NOMA scheme is larger than that achieved by conventional NOMA. This is because, for the proposed user pairing strategy, both paired NOMA users are covered by the main lobe of the base station with a higher probability compared to conventional distance-based user pairing.

Fig. 8 shows the impact of the transmit power (i.e., P_B) and the beamsteering error variances (i.e., σ_B^2 and σ_U^2) on the ergodic sum rate. As P_B increases, the ergodic sum rates of all considered schemes increase, due to a better signal quality. Similar to Fig. 7, the ergodic sum rate of each scheme decreases for higher beamsteering error variances. However, for all considered schemes, the performance difference for different beamsteering error variances decreases with P_B . For the proposed NOMA scheme, there is no performance gap for the two considered values of the beamsteering error variances when $P_B = 30$ dBm, as in this case, the transmit power is large enough to compensate the negative impact of beam misalignment.

In Fig. 9, we show the ergodic sum rates of the proposed

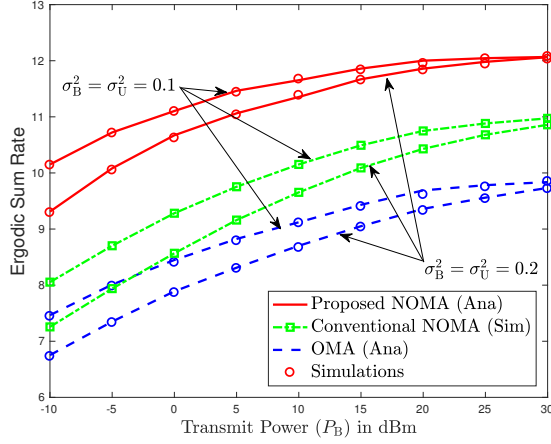


Fig. 8: Ergodic sum rate versus transmit power for different beamsteering error variances, $\lambda = 0.0001$ nodes/m², $\beta_L = 2$, $\eta = 100$ m, and $R_{\max} = 10$ BPCU.

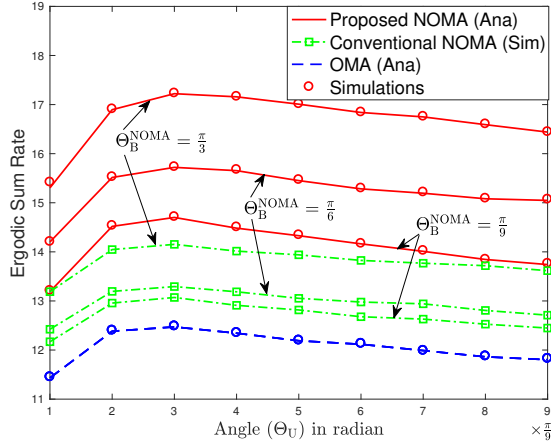


Fig. 9: Ergodic sum rate versus beamwidth of the main lobe when $\lambda = 0.0003$ nodes/m², $P_B = 0$ dBm, $\eta = 100$ m, $R_{\max} = 15$ BPCU, and $\sigma_B^2 = \sigma_U^2 = 0.05$.

NOMA scheme as functions of the beamwidth of the main lobe. Considering the impact of Θ_U , there exists a maximum of the ergodic sum rate, due to the tradeoff between the beamwidth of the main lobe and the antenna array gain. Specifically, by increasing Θ_U from $\pi/9$ to $\pi/3$, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme increases. However, if Θ_U is further increased, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed scheme starts to decrease. This is because, in this case, the benefits introduced by more NOMA transmission opportunities cannot compensate for the reduction in antenna array gain. Furthermore, even for small Θ_B^{NOMA} (e.g., $\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} = \pi/9$), the proposed NOMA scheme achieves a much higher ergodic sum rate than OMA. By increasing Θ_B^{NOMA} from $\pi/9$ to $\pi/3$, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme increases as the probability that NOMA is enabled increases and the NOMA transmission is less vulnerable to beam misalignment.

Fig. 10 illustrates the impact of the user density (i.e., λ) and the maximum achievable rate (i.e., $R_{\max}$) on the ergodic sum rate. As λ increases, the ergodic sum rate of the

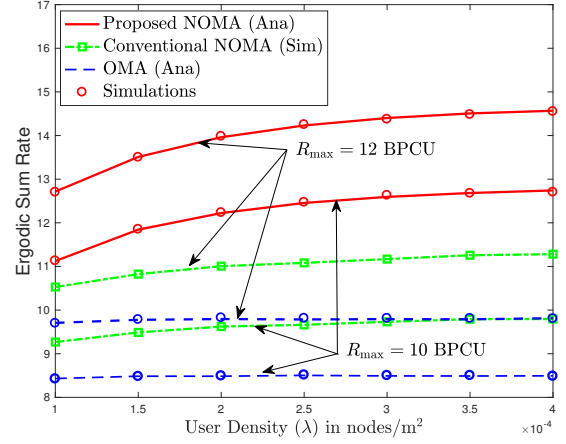


Fig. 10: Ergodic sum rate versus user density of the network for $\beta_L = 2$, $\eta = 100$ m, $P_B = 0$ dBm, and $\sigma_B^2 = \sigma_U^2 = 0.1$.

proposed NOMA scheme increases, as the negative impact of beam misalignment on NOMA transmission decreases. For $\lambda \geq 3.5 \times 10^{-4}$, the ergodic sum rate of the proposed NOMA scheme increases only slowly with λ , saturating to the maximum achievable rate. In contrast, the ergodic sum rate of OMA does not depend on λ . On the other hand, by increasing the maximum possible rate $R_{\max}$ from 10 BPCU to 12 BPCU, the ergodic sum rates of all considered schemes improve, as for larger $R_{\max}$, higher SINRs can be exploited to further enhance the ergodic sum rate. These results show that the maximum achievable rate should be set based on a desired tradeoff between achievable performance and implementation complexity.

VI. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we developed a general and tractable performance analysis framework for downlink NOMA transmission in mmWave networks with spatially random users taking into account link blockages, directional beamforming, beam misalignment, and user pairing. We proposed an angle-based user pairing strategy, where the LOS user that has the minimum relative angle difference to the typical user is selected. Moreover, we proposed dynamic user ordering among the paired NOMA users to account for the randomness of link blockages and user locations. Tools from stochastic geometry were utilized to derive the coverage probability, outage sum rate, and ergodic sum rate. Simulation results showed that the proposed scheme outperforms conventional NOMA with distance-based user pairing and OMA. Our results revealed that the proposed NOMA scheme reduces the negative impact of beamsteering errors and demonstrated the importance of transmit power allocation and the choice of the beamwidth of the main lobe on the network performance. An interesting topic for future work is the extension of the proposed performance analysis framework to heterogeneous multi-cell networks, where both user association and inter-cell interference need to be taken into account and the impact of the beamwidth on the overall network performance needs to be investigated.

APPENDIX

A. Proof of Lemma 1

As the spatial locations of the LOS users form an inhomogeneous PPP Φ_L with density $\lambda p(r)$, the CDF of the distance between the base station and a randomly selected LOS user is given by

$$F_L(r) = \frac{\int_0^r p(x)xdx}{\int_0^R p(x)xdx} \stackrel{(a)}{=} \frac{1}{\rho} \int_0^r \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\eta}\right)xdx, \quad (54)$$

where (a) follows by substituting $p(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\eta}\right)$ and by defining $\rho = \int_0^R \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\eta}\right)xdx = \eta^2 \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{R}{\eta}\right)\left(1 + \frac{R}{\eta}\right)\right)$. By taking the first derivative of $F_L(r)$ in (54), we obtain the PDF of the distance between the base station and a randomly selected LOS user given in (14). Following similar steps, we obtain the PDF of the distance between the base station and a randomly selected NLOS user, i.e., $f_N(r)$, given in (15).

B. Proof of Lemma 2

For two LOS users U_0 and U_p , the distance between the base station and the near LOS user is denoted as $r_n = \min(r_0, r_p)$. Thereby, the CCDF of distance r_n can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{F}_{r_n}(r) &= \mathbb{P}(\min(r_0, r_p) > r) \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{=} \mathbb{P}(r_0 > r) \mathbb{P}(r_p > r) \\ &\stackrel{(b)}{=} (1 - F_L(r))^2, \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

where (a) follows from the independence between distances r_0 and r_p , and (b) follows by substituting (54) as both users are conditioned to be LOS users and follow the same distance distribution. By taking the first derivative of $1 - \bar{F}_{r_n}(r)$, the PDF of distance r_n is given by

$$\begin{aligned} f_{r_n}(r) &= 2f_L(r) - 2F_L(r)f_L(r) \\ &= \frac{2}{\rho}p(r)r - \frac{2}{\rho^2}p(r)r \int_0^r p(x)xdx. \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

By substituting $\int_0^r p(x)xdx = \eta^2 \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{r}{\eta}\right)\left(1 + \frac{r}{\eta}\right)\right)$ into (56), we obtain the PDF of distance r_n given in (16). On the other hand, the distance between the base station and the far LOS user is denoted as $r_f = \max\{r_0, r_p\}$. Hence, the CDF of distance r_f is given by

$$\begin{aligned} F_{r_f}(r) &= \mathbb{P}(\max\{r_0, r_p\} \leq r) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(r_0 \leq r) \mathbb{P}(r_p \leq r) \\ &= (F_L(r))^2. \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

By taking the first derivative of $F_{r_f}(r)$, the PDF of distance r_f can be derived as

$$f_{r_f}(r) = 2F_L(r)f_L(r) = \frac{2}{\rho^2}p(r)r \int_0^r p(x)xdx. \quad (58)$$

After some algebraic manipulations, we obtain the PDF of distance r_f given in (17).

C. Proof of Lemma 3

Although the spatial locations of the LOS users follow an inhomogeneous PPP Φ_L , the spatial distribution of the LOS users is isotropic. As angle ϕ_i is uniformly distributed within $[0, 2\pi]$ and is independent of angle $\phi_j, j \neq i$, the CDF of $\phi_{0i} = |\phi_0 - \phi_i|$ can be expressed as $F_{\phi_{0i}}(\phi) = \frac{4\pi\phi - \phi^2}{4\pi^2}, \phi \in [0, 2\pi]$. By taking the first derivative of $F_{\phi_{0i}}(\phi)$, the PDF of ϕ_{0i} is given by $f_{\phi_{0i}}(\phi) = \frac{d}{d\phi} F_{\phi_{0i}}(\phi) = \frac{2\pi - \phi}{2\pi^2}, \phi \in [0, 2\pi]$. When there are k_L LOS users in the network coverage area and user U_0 is LOS, the CDF of the minimum relative angle difference ϕ_{0p} can be expressed as

$$F_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi) = 1 - \left(\frac{2\pi - \phi}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L - 2}, \quad (59)$$

which follows from the user pairing strategy in (3) and by applying order statistics [41]. When there are k_L LOS users in the network coverage area but user U_0 is NLOS, by following similar steps, we obtain the CDF of the minimum relative angle difference ϕ_{0p} as

$$F_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi) = 1 - \left(\frac{2\pi - \phi}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L}. \quad (60)$$

By taking the first derivative of $F_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi)$ given in (59) and (60), we obtain the PDF of angle difference ϕ_{0p} in (18).

D. Proof of Lemma 4

When the angle difference ϕ_{0p} is given, typical user U_0 is covered by the main lobe of the base station if $|\frac{1}{2}\phi_{0p} + \Delta_B| \leq \frac{1}{2}\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$, which can equivalently be expressed as $\Delta_B \in [-\frac{1}{2}(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} + \phi_{0p}), \frac{1}{2}(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} - \phi_{0p})]$. As beamsteering error Δ_B is assumed to follow a Gaussian distribution, the probabilities that typical user U_0 is covered by the main lobe and the side lobe of the base station can be expressed as $g(\phi_{0p}) = F_{\Delta_B}\left(\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} - \phi_{0p}}{2}\right) - F_{\Delta_B}\left(-\frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}} + \phi_{0p}}{2}\right)$ and $1 - g(\phi_{0p})$, respectively. Hence, the PMF of the directivity gain from the base station to the typical user can be expressed as $\mathbb{P}(G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, \frac{1}{2}\phi_{0p} + \Delta_B) = G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}})) = g(\phi_{0p})$ and $\mathbb{P}(G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, \frac{1}{2}\phi_{0p} + \Delta_B) = G_B^S(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}})) = 1 - g(\phi_{0p})$. The base station is covered by the main lobe of typical user U_0 if beamsteering error $\Delta_{U_0} \in [-\frac{1}{2}\Theta_U, \frac{1}{2}\Theta_U]$. Hence, the probability that the base station is covered by the main lobe and the side lobe of the typical user can be expressed as $y = F_{\Delta_U}(\frac{1}{2}\Theta_U) - F_{\Delta_U}(-\frac{1}{2}\Theta_U)$ and $1 - y$, respectively. Thereby, the PMF of the directivity gain from the typical user to the base station can be expressed as $\mathbb{P}(G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_0}) = G_U^M(\Theta_U)) = y$ and $\mathbb{P}(G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_0}) = G_U^S(\Theta_U)) = 1 - y$.

As $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} = G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, \frac{1}{2}\phi_{0p} + \Delta_B) G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_0})$, the PMF of the total directivity gain between the base station and the typical user when NOMA is enabled is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} = \vartheta) &= \sum_{x \in \Lambda} \mathbb{P}\left(G_B\left(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, \frac{1}{2}\phi_{0p} + \Delta_B\right) = x\right) \\ &\quad \times \mathbb{P}\left(G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_0}) = \frac{\vartheta}{x}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

where $\Lambda = \{G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}), G_B^S(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}})\}$.

By substituting the PMFs of directivity gains $G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, \frac{1}{2}\phi_{0p} + \Delta_B)$ and $G_U(\Theta_U, \Delta_{U_0})$ into (61), we obtain the PMF of the total directivity gain $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}$ given in (19). Following similar steps, we obtain the PMF of the total directivity gain $\mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}}$ given in (20).

E. Proof of Lemma 5

When OMA is enabled, typical user U_0 is covered by the main lobe of the base station if $\Delta_B \in [-\frac{1}{2}\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}, \frac{1}{2}\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}]$. Hence, the probabilities that the typical user is covered by the main lobe and the side lobe of the base station are given by $w = F_{\Delta_B}(\frac{1}{2}\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}) - F_{\Delta_B}(-\frac{1}{2}\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}})$ and $1 - w$, respectively. The PMF of the directivity antenna gain from the base station to the typical user when OMA is enabled can be expressed as $\mathbb{P}(G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}, \Delta_B) = G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}})) = w$ and $\mathbb{P}(G_B(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}}, \Delta_B) = G_B^S(\Theta_B^{\text{OMA}})) = 1 - w$. Following similar steps as in the proof of Lemma 4, the PMF of the total directivity gain between the base station and the typical user for OMA transmission given in (24) is obtained.

F. Proof of Proposition 1

Given that there are $k_L \geq 2$ LOS users, the probability that user U_0 can successfully perform SIC and decode its own signal is given by

$$Q_{I,0}(\xi_1) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{p \rightarrow 0} \geq T_F, \gamma_0 \geq T_S, \phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, r_0 \leq r_p) \\ = \int_0^{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}} \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{p \rightarrow 0} \geq T_F, \gamma_0 \geq T_S, r_0 \leq r_p) f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi_{0p}) d\phi_{0p}, \quad (62)$$

where $f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi_{0p})$ is given in (18). Given the angle difference ϕ_{0p} , we have

$$\mathbb{P}(\gamma_{p \rightarrow 0} \geq T_F, \gamma_0 \geq T_S, r_0 \leq r_p) \\ \stackrel{(a)}{=} \mathbb{P}\left(|h_0|^2 \geq \frac{\xi_1}{\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_n)}\right) \\ \stackrel{(b)}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{N_L-1} \frac{(N_L \xi_1)^n}{n!} \mathbb{E}_{\{\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}, r_n\}} \left[\frac{\exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1}{\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_n)}\right)}{(\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_n))^n} \right], \quad (63)$$

where (a) follows by substituting (4) and (6) and by defining $\xi_1 = \max\left\{\frac{T_F \sigma^2}{(\alpha_F^2 - T_F \alpha_S^2) P_B}, \frac{T_S \sigma^2}{\alpha_S^2 P_B}\right\}$, and (b) follows from the normalized Gamma distribution of $|h_0|^2$. Note that $\mathbb{E}_{\{\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}, r_n\}}[\cdot]$ refers to the expectation over the total directivity gain $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}$ and distance r_n , which takes into account that typical user U_0 is the near LOS user, i.e., $r_0 \leq r_p$.

By utilizing the PMF of the total directivity gain $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}$ given in Lemma 4, we have

$$\mathbb{E}_{\{\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}, r_n\}} \left[\frac{\exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1}{\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_n)}\right)}{(\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_n))^n} \right] \\ \stackrel{(a)}{=} \mathbb{E}_{\{r_n\}} \left[\sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{d_i(\phi_{0p})}{(c_i \ell_L(r_n))^n} \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_i \ell_L(r_n)}\right) \right] \\ \stackrel{(b)}{=} \sum_{i=1}^4 d_i(\phi_{0p}) \int_0^R \left(\frac{r_n^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1 r_n^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right) f_{r_n}(r_n) dr_n$$

$$\stackrel{(c)}{=} \sum_{i=1}^4 d_i(\phi_{0p}) \frac{R\pi}{2M_2} \sum_{m_2=1}^{M_2} \sqrt{1 - \varpi_{m_2}^2} \left(\frac{r_n^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right)^n \\ \times \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1 r_n^{\beta_L}}{c_i C_L}\right) f_{r_n}(r_n, m_2), \quad (64)$$

where $r_n, m_2 = \frac{R}{2}(\varpi_{m_2} + 1)$, $\varpi_{m_2} = \cos\left(\frac{2m_2-1}{2M_2}\pi\right)$, (a) and (b) follow from the expectations over $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}}$ and r_n , respectively, and (c) follows by applying Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature [38]. By substituting (63) and (64) into (62) and by applying Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature with respect to the integral over ϕ_{0p} , we obtain $Q_{I,0}(\xi_1)$ in (27). Considering the randomness of the number of the LOS and NLOS users, we obtain (26) as there are at least two LOS users in this case.

G. Proof of Corollary 1

Without beamsteering errors, the base station and user U_0 are always covered by each other's main lobe when $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$. As a result, the total directivity gain is given by $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} = G_B^M(\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}) G_U^M(\Theta_U) = c_1$ and the probability of $\phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}$ is $1 - \left(1 - \frac{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}}{2\pi}\right)^{2k_L-2}$. For the LOS ball model, the CDF of the distance between the base station and a randomly selected LOS user is given by $F_L(r) = \frac{r^2}{R_{\text{LOS}}^2} \mathbb{1}(r < R_{\text{LOS}})$. By taking the first derivative of $F_L(r)$, we obtain the PDF as $f_L(r) = \frac{2r}{R_{\text{LOS}}^2} \mathbb{1}(r < R_{\text{LOS}})$. By following similar steps as in the proof of Lemma 2, the PDF of distance r_n is obtained as $f_{r_n}(r) = 2f_L(r) - 2F_L(r)f_L(r) = \frac{4r}{R_{\text{LOS}}^2} - \frac{4r^3}{R_{\text{LOS}}^4}$, for $r < R_{\text{LOS}}$. By substituting $f_{r_n}(r)$ into the following integral, we have

$$\int_0^R r^{n\beta_L} \exp\left(-\frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_1 C_L} r^{\beta_L}\right) f_{r_n}(r) dr \\ = \frac{4}{\beta_L R_{\text{LOS}}^2} \left(\frac{c_1 C_L}{N_L \xi_1}\right)^{n+\frac{1}{\beta_L}} \gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{\beta_L}, \frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_1 C_L} R_{\text{LOS}}^{\beta_L}\right) \\ - \frac{4}{\beta_L R_{\text{LOS}}^4} \left(\frac{c_1 C_L}{N_L \xi_1}\right)^{n+\frac{4}{\beta_L}} \gamma\left(n + \frac{4}{\beta_L}, \frac{N_L \xi_1}{c_1 C_L} R_{\text{LOS}}^{\beta_L}\right).$$

After combining the aforementioned results, we obtain $Q_{I,0}(\xi_1)$ given in (29).

H. Proof of Proposition 2

Given that there are $k_L \geq 2$ LOS users, the probability that user U_p can successfully decode its own signal is given by

$$Q_{I,p}(\xi_2) = \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{p|0} \geq T_F, \phi_{0p} \leq \Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}, r_p \geq r_0) \\ = \int_0^{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}} \mathbb{P}(\gamma_{p|0} \geq T_F, r_p \geq r_0) f_{\phi_{0p}}(\phi_{0p}) d\phi_{0p}. \quad (65)$$

Following similar steps as in the proof of Proposition 1, we obtain $Q_{I,p}(\xi_2)$ given in (31) and $P_{I,p}^{\text{cov}}(\xi_2)$ given in (30), by taking into account that paired NOMA user U_p is the far LOS user (i.e., $r_p \geq r_0$) and the PMF of the total directivity gain $\mathcal{D}_p^{\text{NOMA}}$ is given in (20).

I. Proof of Proposition 3

In NOMA-I, the CCDF of γ_0 defined in (6) can be expressed as

$$\bar{F}_{\gamma_0}(x) = \sum_{k_L=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k_N=0}^{\infty} \frac{k_L}{k_L + k_N} \Psi_L(k_L) \Psi_N(k_N) \times \int_0^{\Theta_B^{\text{NOMA}}} \int_0^R \mathbb{P}(\gamma_0 > x) f_{r_n}(r_n) dr_n f_{\phi_{0P}}(\phi_{0P}) d\phi_{0P}, \quad (66)$$

where $\mathbb{P}(\gamma_0 > x) = \mathbb{P}\left(|h_0|^2 > \frac{\xi_3(x)}{\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{NOMA}} \ell_L(r_n)}\right)$. By following the same steps as in the proof of Proposition 1, we obtain $\bar{F}_{\gamma_0}(x) = P_{1,0}(\xi_3(x))$, where $\xi_3(x) = \frac{\sigma^2 x}{\alpha_S^2 P_B}$. Similarly, in NOMA-I, the CCDF of $\gamma_{p|0}$ given in (7) can be computed by $\bar{F}_{\gamma_{p|0}}(x) = P_{1,p}(\xi_4(x))$, where $\xi_4(x) = \frac{\sigma^2 x}{(\alpha_F^2 - x \alpha_S^2) P_B}$. Note that when $x > \frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2}$, we have $\bar{F}_{\gamma_{p|0}}(x) = 0$. Thus, the ergodic sum rate of users U_0 and U_p is given by

$$\mathcal{R}_I^{\text{NOMA}} = \frac{1}{\ln 2} \int_0^{T_{\max}} \frac{P_{1,0}(\xi_3(x))}{1+x} dx + \frac{1}{\ln 2} \int_0^{\min\left\{T_{\max}, \frac{\alpha_F^2}{\alpha_S^2}\right\}} \frac{P_{1,p}(\xi_4(x))}{1+x} dx. \quad (67)$$

By applying Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature, we obtain $\mathcal{R}_I^{\text{NOMA}}$ given in (49).

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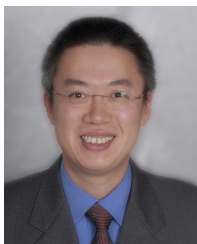
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