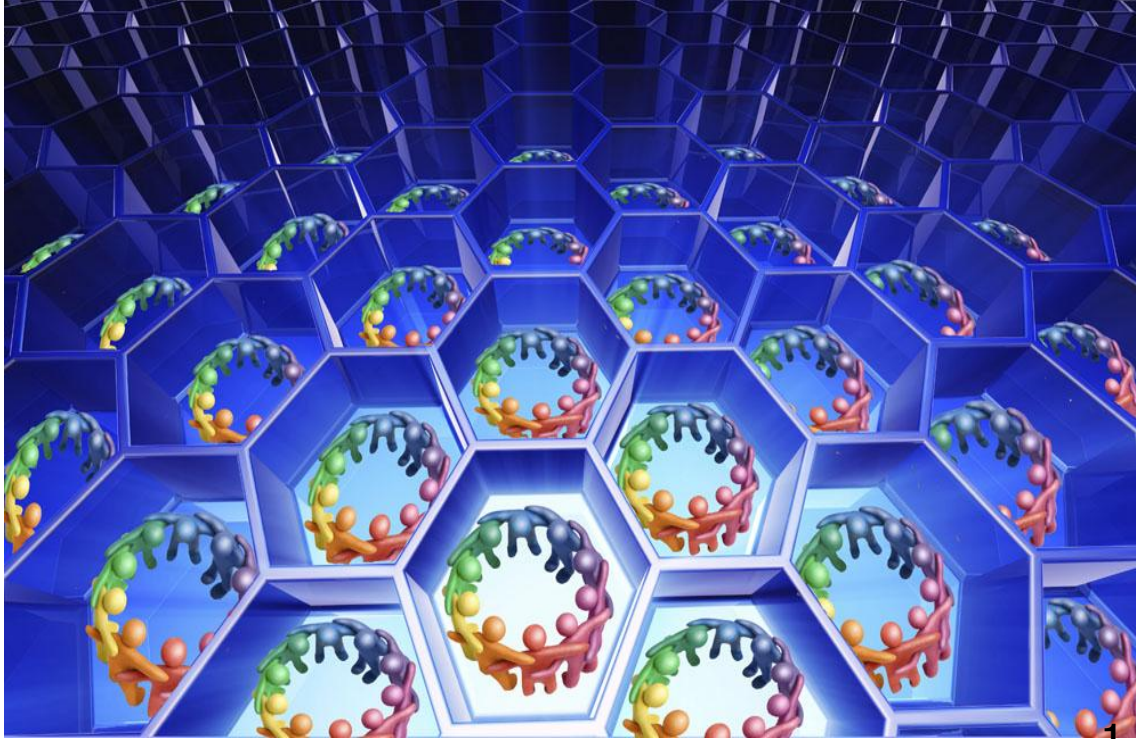


Cooperative Communications and Networking

Chapter 11

Cognitive Multiple Access Via Cooperation



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- Motivations and Background
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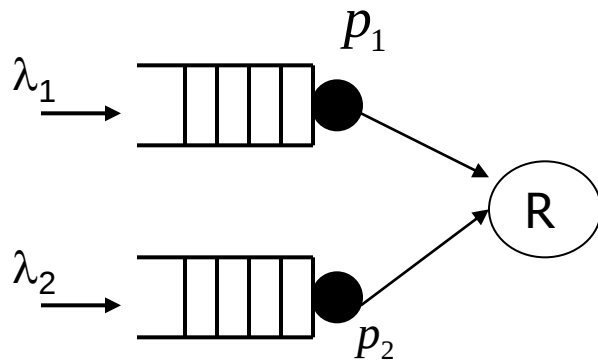
- Motivations, Background, and the Protocols

Background

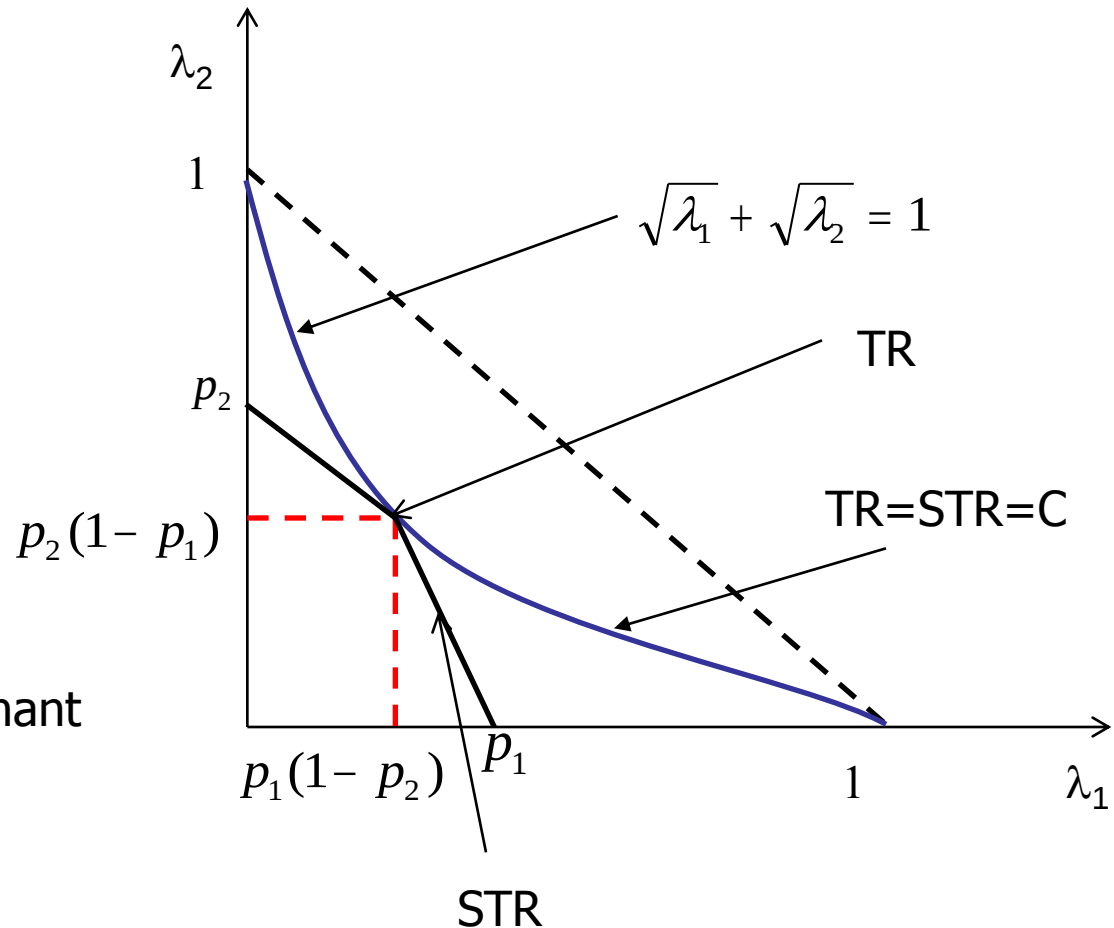
- Important performance measures
 - At the PHY layer,
 - Capacity Region (bits/s) (reliable communication limits)-**C**
 - At the MAC layer,
 - Maximum Throughput Region (packets/slot) (saturated queues)-**TR**
 - Maximum Stable Throughput Region (packets/slot) (finite delays)-**STR**

Background

- Example: 2-users in random access collision channel



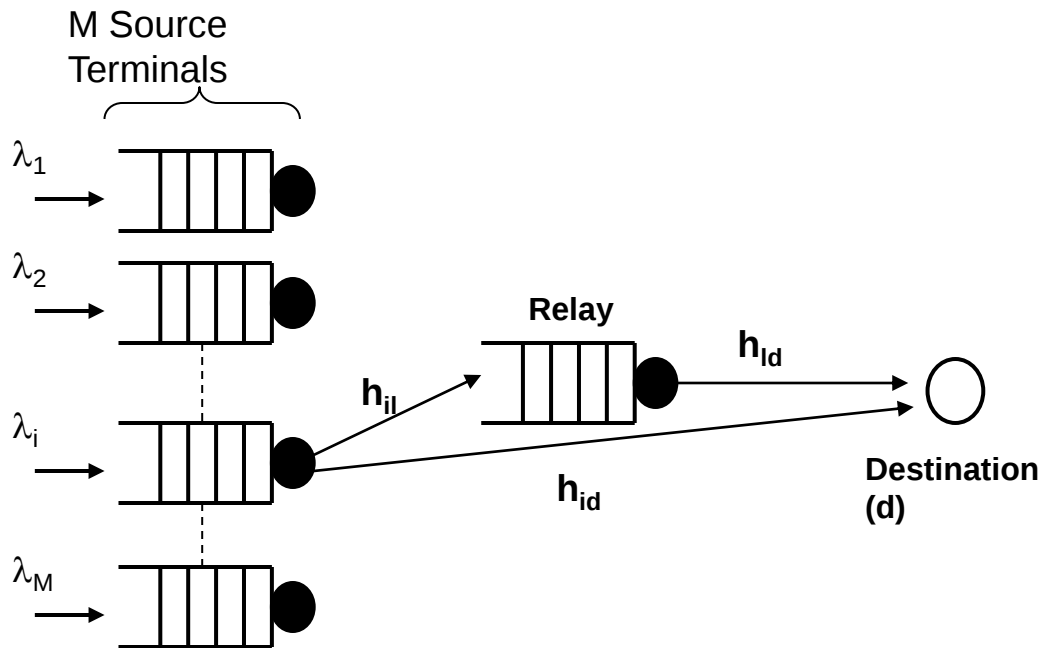
- Interacting Queues-Dominant Systems



Motivations

- *"Cooperation in a Network can occur at different levels"!*
 - Most of previous work on cooperation focused on PHY layer issues such as capacity regions and diversity-gains and so on.
 - Can we leverage cooperation to improve MAC performance?
 - In a network layer, source burstiness and the stability of the queueing system need to be considered.

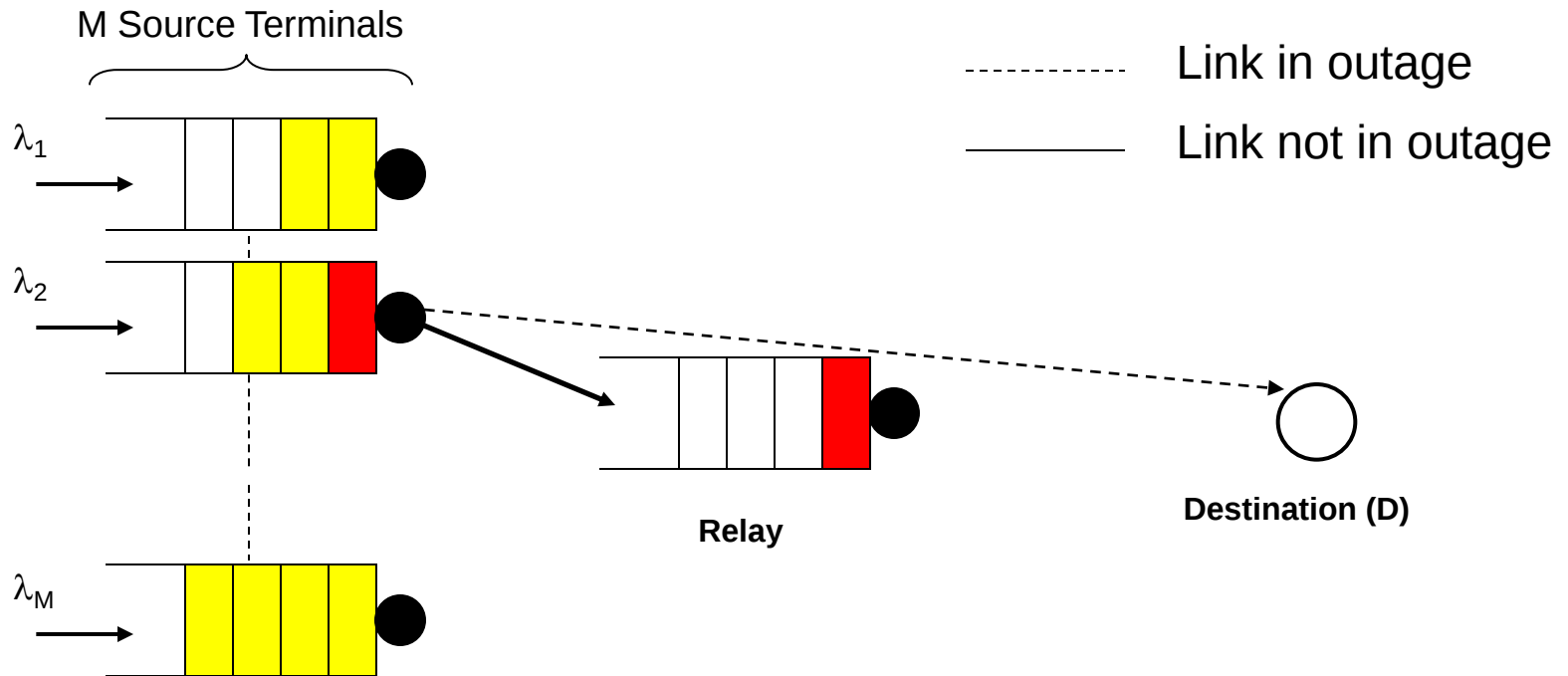
System Model



- TDMA underlying structure (ω_i): i^{th} -user's portion (interference-free)
- Success if $\text{SNR} > \beta$
- Assumptions
 - Channel sensing is possible
 - Feedback ACK is perfect

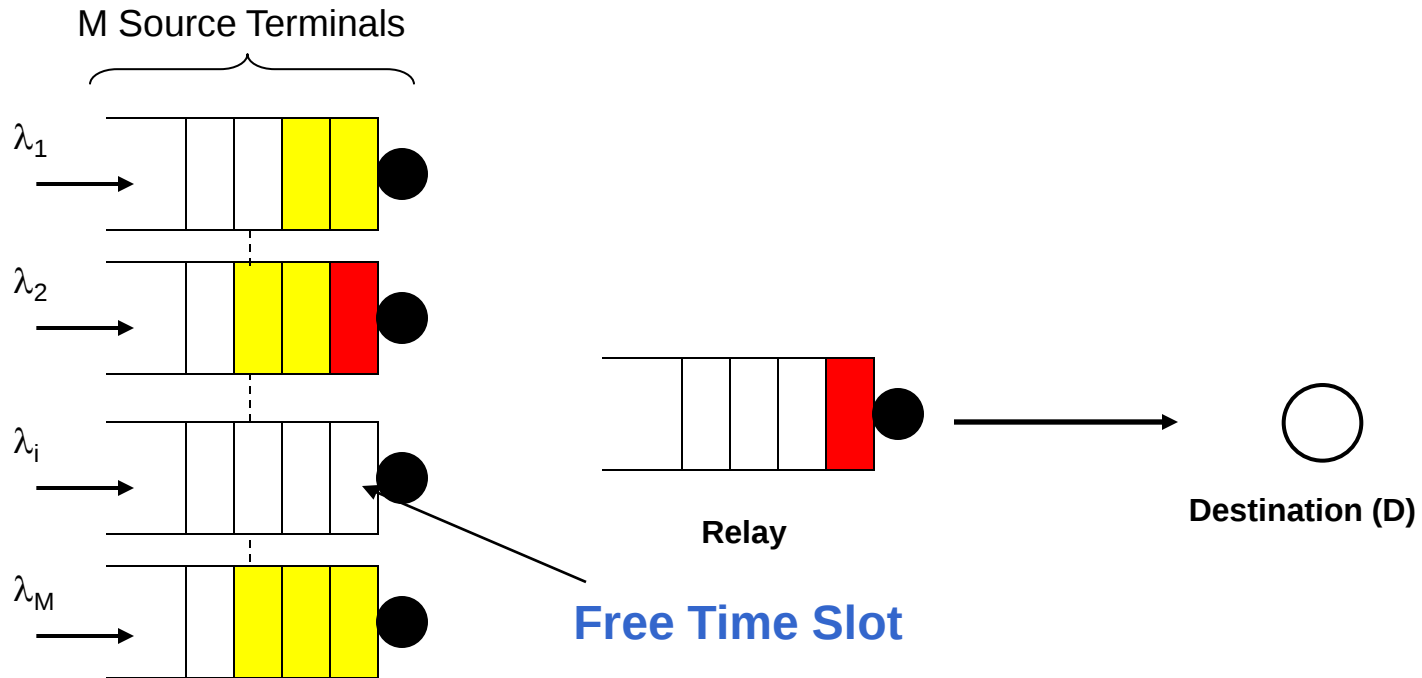
Objective: Exploit the capabilities of the relay

CCMA-S (1)



- Each terminal transmits a packet in its assigned slot (if empty, slot is free)
- If D receives successfully, it sends ACK (heard by the relay and the user)
- If not, relay stores the packet if received successfully
- Note that the user does NOT remove the packet from his queue.

CCMA-S (2)



- If the relay senses an empty time slot, it transmits the packet
- The packet is kept in the relay's queue for only M consecutive time slots
- The responsibility of delivering a packet is in the corresponding user

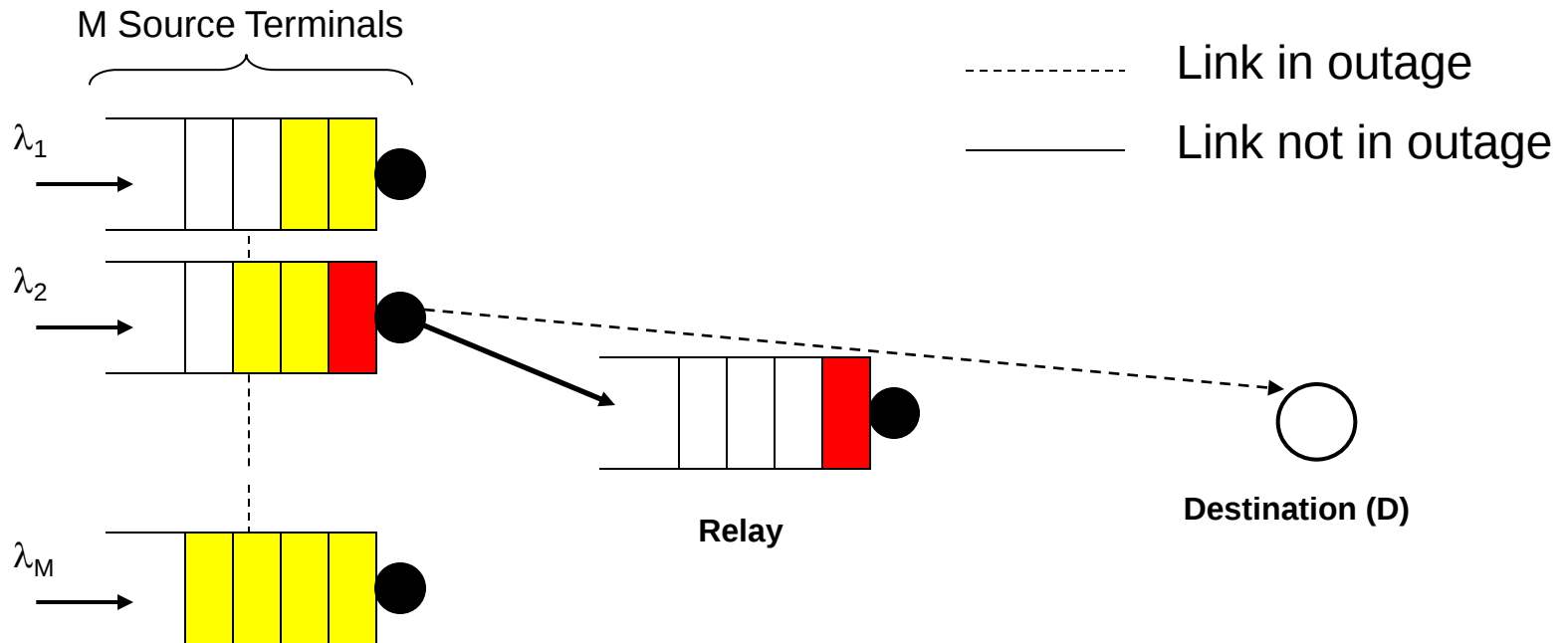
CCMA-S (3)

1. Relay has always a finite queue (M packets Max)
2. Successful service of a packet in a frame depends on whether the other terminals are idle or not
3. Individual **terminals interact**

Idle slots are utilized!

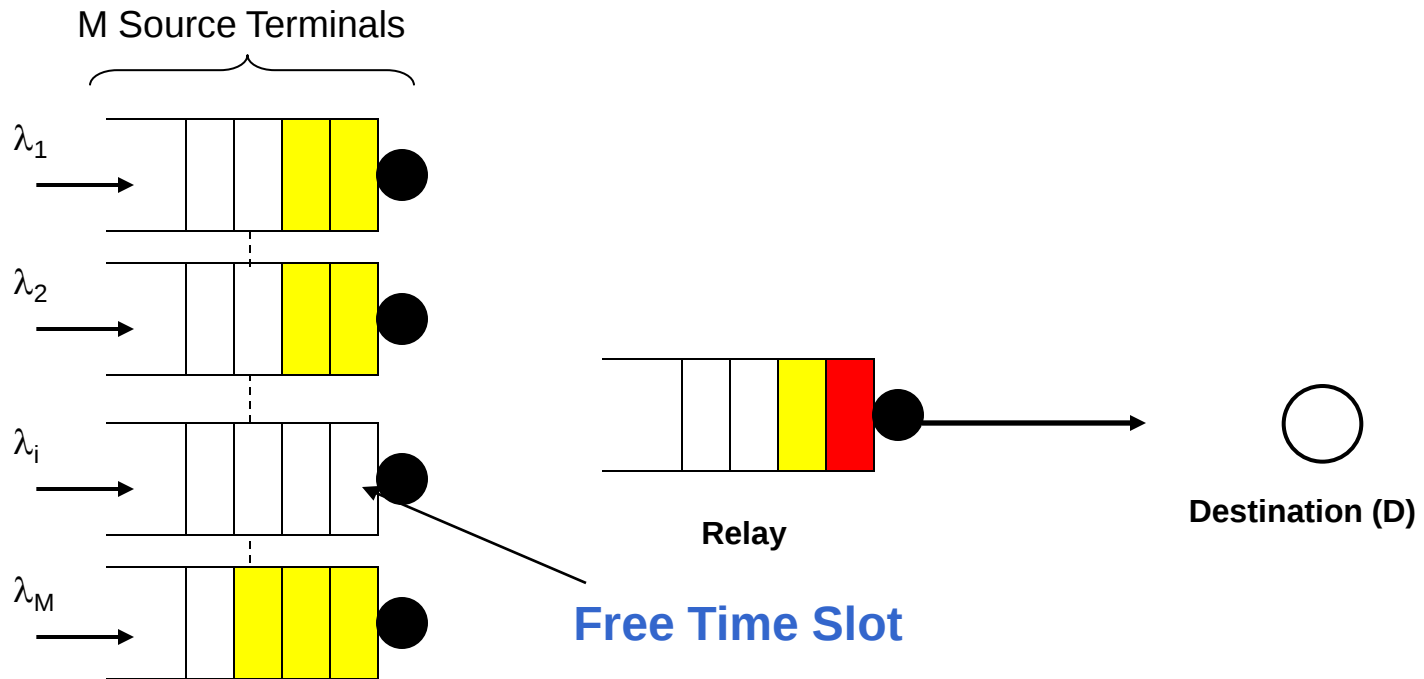
Stable throughput for the M terminals

CCMA-M (1)



- Each terminal transmits a packet in its assigned slot (if empty, slot is free)
- If D receives successfully, it sends ACK (heard by the relay and the user)
- If not, relay stores the packet if received successfully
- Note that the user DOES remove the packet from his queue, if either D or the relay receives it

CCMA-M (2)



- If the relay senses an empty time slot, it transmits the packet
- Now the relay is responsible for delivering the packet

CCMA-M (3)

1. Relay has a possibly growing queue
2. Individual terminals **do not interact**
3. They release the unsuccessful packets to the relay
4. Enhanced version: Relay retransmits only packets of terminals with inferior channels

Again: Idle slots are utilized!

Stable throughput for the M terminals and the Relay

-Performance Analysis

- Stability Analysis**

- Delay Analysis

Stability Analysis: CCMA-S (2-users case)

- “*Note that the queues are interacting*”!
- Decouple the interaction of the queues by introducing the **dominant system** [Rao88]
 - The queues in the dominant system stochastically dominate the queues in the original systems.
 - Define the dominant system $S_j, j \in \{1, 2\}$ as
 - S_j and CCMA-S are identical, except that, the packets successfully transmitted by the relay for user j are not removed from user j 's queue.

[Rao88] R. Rao and A. Ephremides, “On the stability of interacting queues in a multiple-access system”, IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, Vol. 34, No. 5, Sep. 1988

Stability Analysis: CCMA-S (2-users case)

- Consider system S_1 (relay only helps user 2),

- Queue dynamics: $Q_i^{t+1}(S_1) = (Q_i^t(S_1) - Y_i^t(S_1))^+ + X_i^t(S_1)$
- For user 1 (identical with TDMA system),

$$Y_1^t(S_1) = 1[A_1^t \cap \overline{O_{1,d}^t}] \rightarrow \lambda_1 < \omega_1 f_{1d}.$$

- For user 2,

$$Y_2^t(S_1) = 1[A_2^t \cap \overline{O_{2,d}^t}] + 1[A_1^t \cap \{Q_1^t(S_1) = 0\} \cap A_2^{t-1} \cap \overline{O_{2,l}^{t-1}} \cap O_{2,d}^{t-1} \cap \overline{O_{l,d}^t}],$$

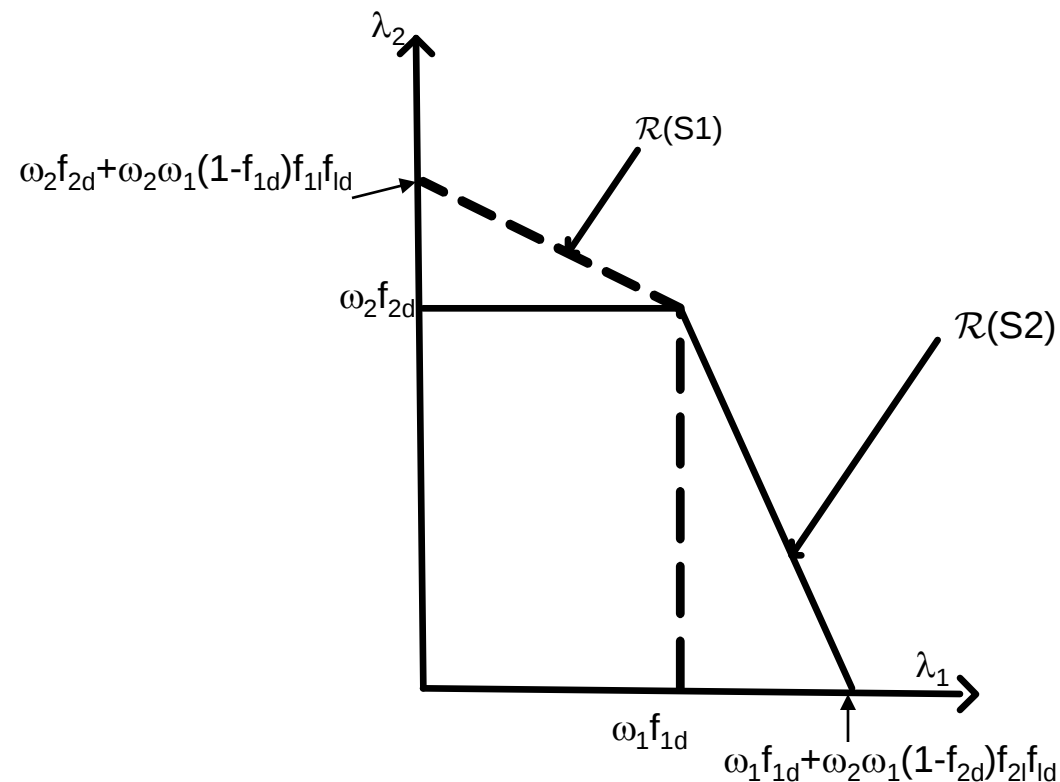
$$\lambda_2 < \omega_2 f_{2d} + \omega_1 \omega_2 \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_1}{\omega_1 f_{1d}} \right) (1 - f_{2d}) f_{2l} f_{ld}.$$

- Denote the region specified by the above inequalities as $R(S_1)$ and $R(S_2)$ can be similarly obtained by considering dominant system S_2 .

Stability Analysis: CCMA-S (2-users case)

- Stability region at a fixed resource sharing vector:

$$R_{\Omega}(\text{CCMA-S}) = R(S_1) \cup R(S_2), \Omega = [\omega_1, \omega_2].$$



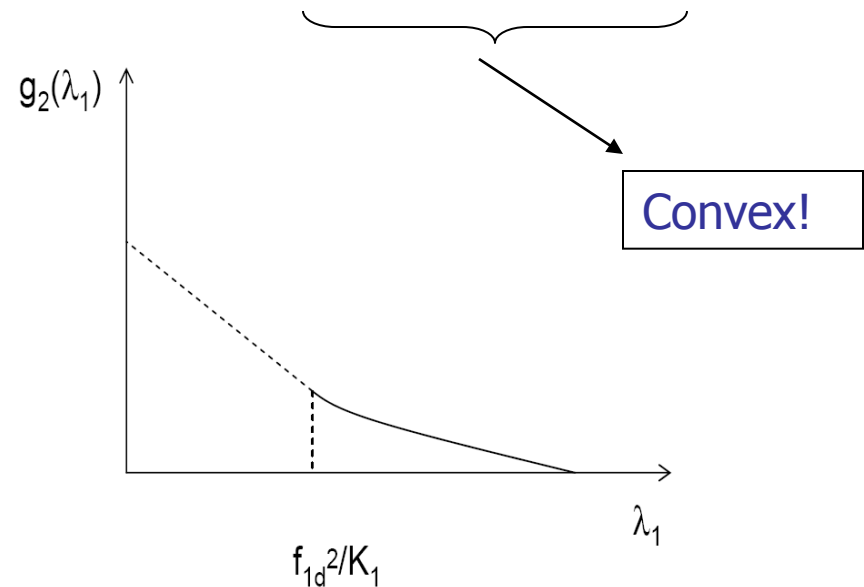
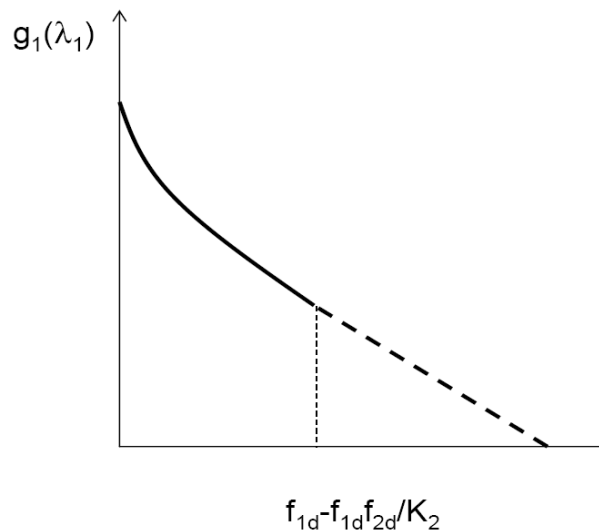
Stability Analysis: CCMA-S (2-users case)

- The whole stability region can be found by

$$R(\text{CCMA-S}) = \bigcup_{\vec{\omega} \in \mathcal{F}} \{R(S_1) \cup R(S_2)\},$$

- And is specified as

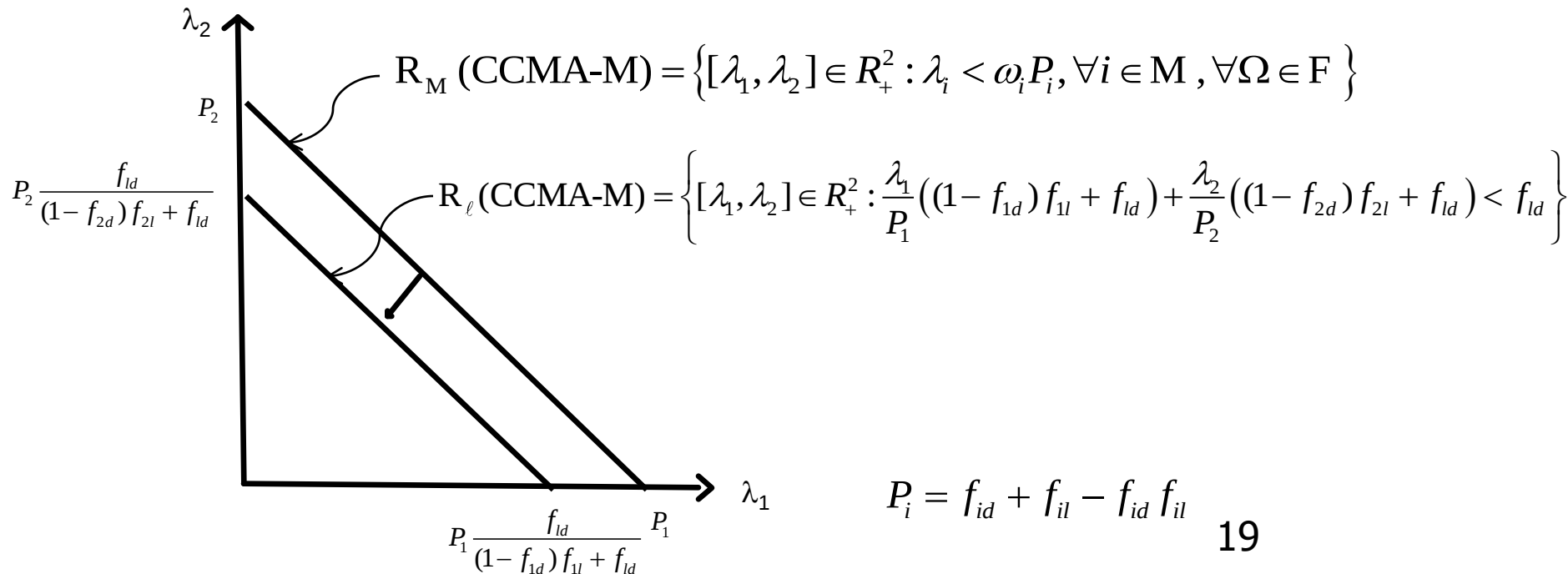
$$R(\text{CCMA-S}) = \{[\lambda_1, \lambda_2] \in R_+^2 : \lambda_2 < \max[g_1(\lambda_1), g_2(\lambda_1)]\}.$$



Stability Analysis: CCMA-M (2-users case)

- In CCMA-M, the relay's queue can possibly grow.
- The stability region of the whole system is

$$R_M(\text{CCMA-M}) \cap R_\ell(\text{CCMA-M})$$



Enhanced Protocol

CCMA-Me

- When is the CCMA-M better than the TDMA?
 - Let's compare the intersection with the axes!
 - CCMA-M:
$$\lambda_1^*(\text{CCMA-M}) = P_1 \frac{f_{ld}}{(1-f_{1d})f_{1l} + f_{ld}}, \quad \lambda_2^*(\text{CCMA-M}) = P_2 \frac{f_{ld}}{(1-f_{2d})f_{2l} + f_{ld}}$$
 - TDMA:
$$\lambda_1^*(\text{TDMA}) = f_{1d}, \quad \lambda_2^*(\text{TDMA}) = f_{2d}.$$
 - Stability region of TDMA is a subset of CCMA-M if
$$f_{ld} > f_{1d}, \quad f_{ld} > f_{2d}.$$

Enhanced Protocol

CCMA-Me

- A natural way to enhance the CCMA-M
 - The relay helps the terminal only if $f_{ld} > f_{id}$, $\forall i \in M$.
 - Other terminals operate as in TDMA.
 - Assume that the relay only helps terminal 1. Then,

$$R(\text{CCMA-Me}) = \left\{ [\lambda_1, \lambda_2] \in R_+^2 : \frac{\lambda_1}{P_1} ((1 - f_{1d}) f_{1l} + f_{ld}) + \lambda_2 \frac{f_{ld}}{f_{2d}} < f_{ld} \right\}$$

- Theorem on the STR:

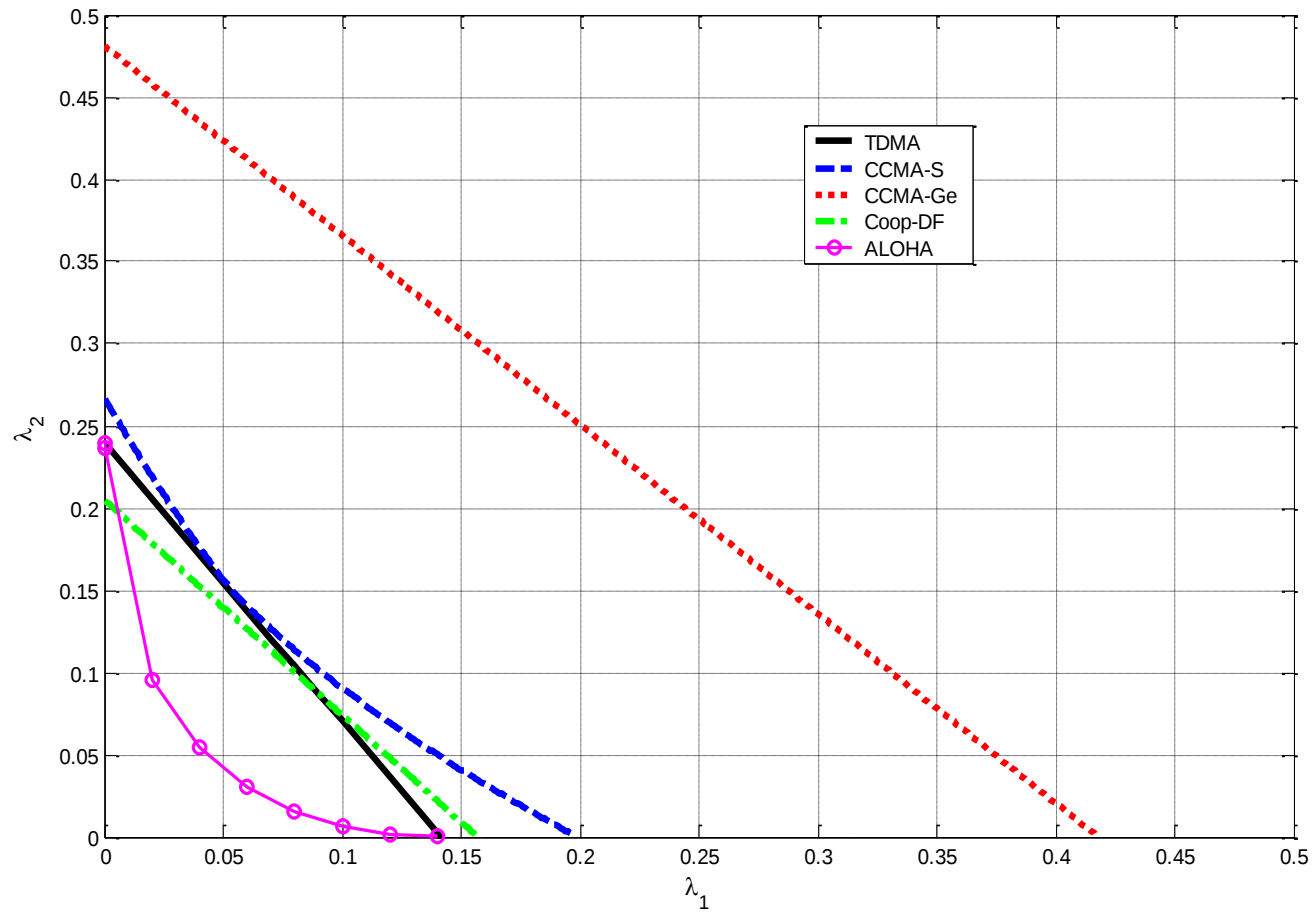
$$R(\text{TDMA}) \subseteq R(\text{CCMA-S}) \subseteq R(\text{CCMA-Me})$$

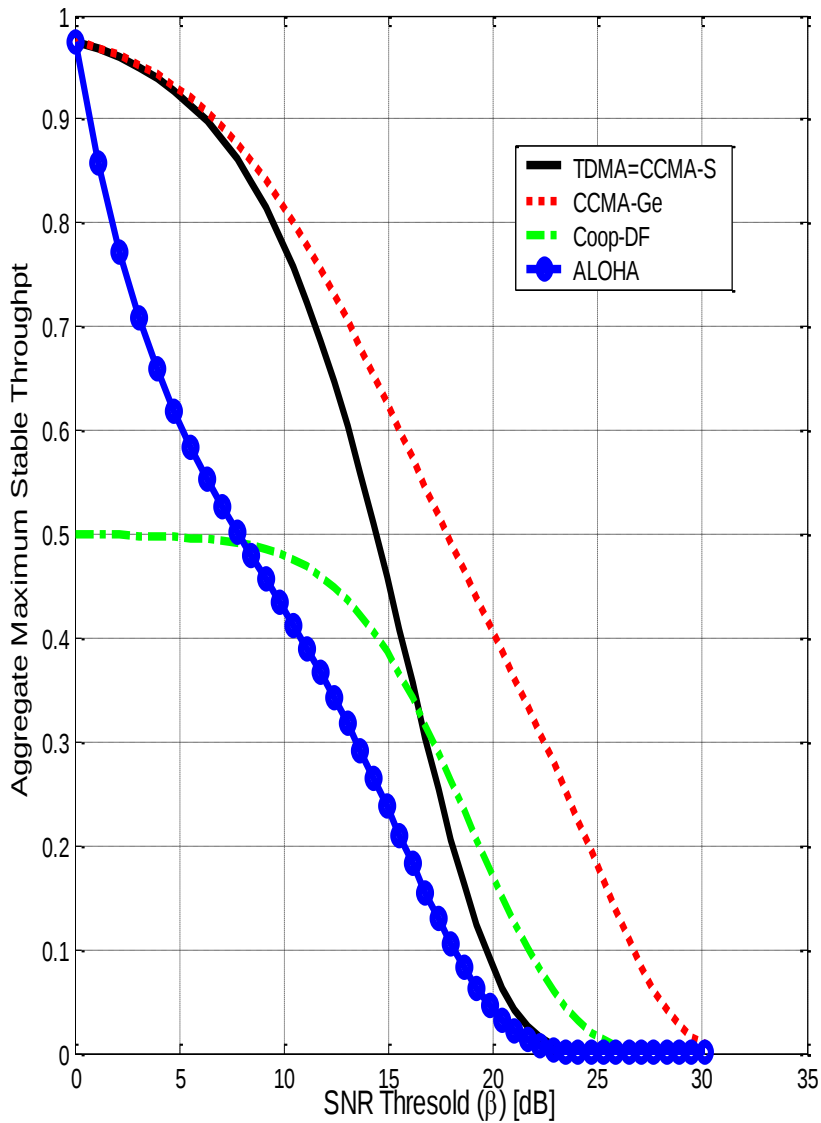
Performance Comparison

- Existing cooperation protocols
 - Selection Decode-and-Forward (SDF):
 - In the first phase, the source transmits and both the relay and the destination listen.
 - In the second phase, if the relay is able to decode the signal, then forwards. Otherwise, the source retransmits.
 - Selection Incremental Decode-and-Forward (SIDF):
 - The first phase is the same as amplify-and-forward incremental relaying.
 - In the second phase, if the destination does not receive correctly and the relay does, then the relay forwards the packet. Otherwise, the source retransmits.

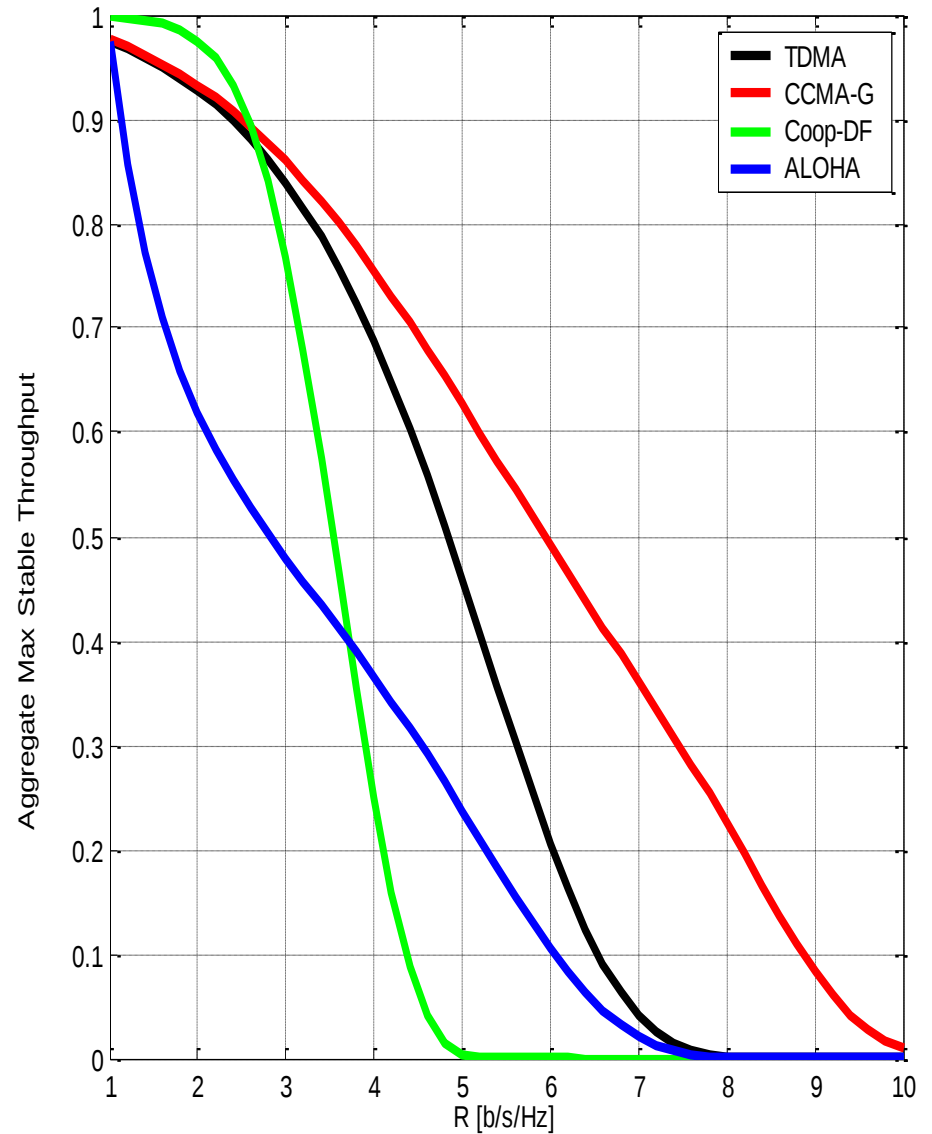
Performance Comparison

■ Stability regions





Coop-DF: Relay transmits at the same rate and utilizes two time slots.



Coop-DF: Relay transmits at twice the rate and utilizes one time slots. (Rate and SNR-threshold are related through the Gaussian mutual information formula

-Performance Analysis

- Stability Analysis

- Delay Analysis**

Delay Analysis: CCMA-S (2-users case)

- It is very difficult problem if the queues are interacting! -> 2-users symmetric case.
- Moment generating function approach:

$$G(u, v) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} E \left[u^{Q_1^t} v^{Q_2^t} \right], \text{ where}$$
$$E \left[u^{Q_1^{t+1}} v^{Q_2^{t+1}} \right] = E \left[u^{X_1^t} v^{X_2^t} \right] E \left[u^{(Q_1^t - Y_1^t)^+} v^{(Q_2^t - Y_2^t)^+} \right].$$

- The average queue size is given by

$$G_1(1, 1), \text{ where } G_1(u, v) = \frac{\partial G(u, v)}{\partial u}.$$

Delay Analysis: CCMA-S (2-users case)

- We obtain $G_1(1,1)$ which is of the form:

$$G_1(1,1) = \frac{-(2\omega f_{1d} + \omega^2 f_{1l} f_{ld}(1 - f_{1d})\lambda^2 + 2\omega f_{1d}\lambda)}{2(\omega f_{1d} + \omega^2 f_{1l} f_{ld}(1 - f_{1d}))(\omega f_{1d} - \lambda)}.$$

- Consequently, the average queueing delay is given by

$$D(\text{CCMA-S}) = \frac{G_1(1,1)}{\lambda} \quad \leftarrow N = \lambda s; \text{ Little's Formula}$$

- At $\lambda = \omega f_{1d}$, the delay of the system becomes unbounded. Since it is the maximum stable throughput that the system can support with finite delay.

Delay Analysis: CCMA-Me (2-users case)

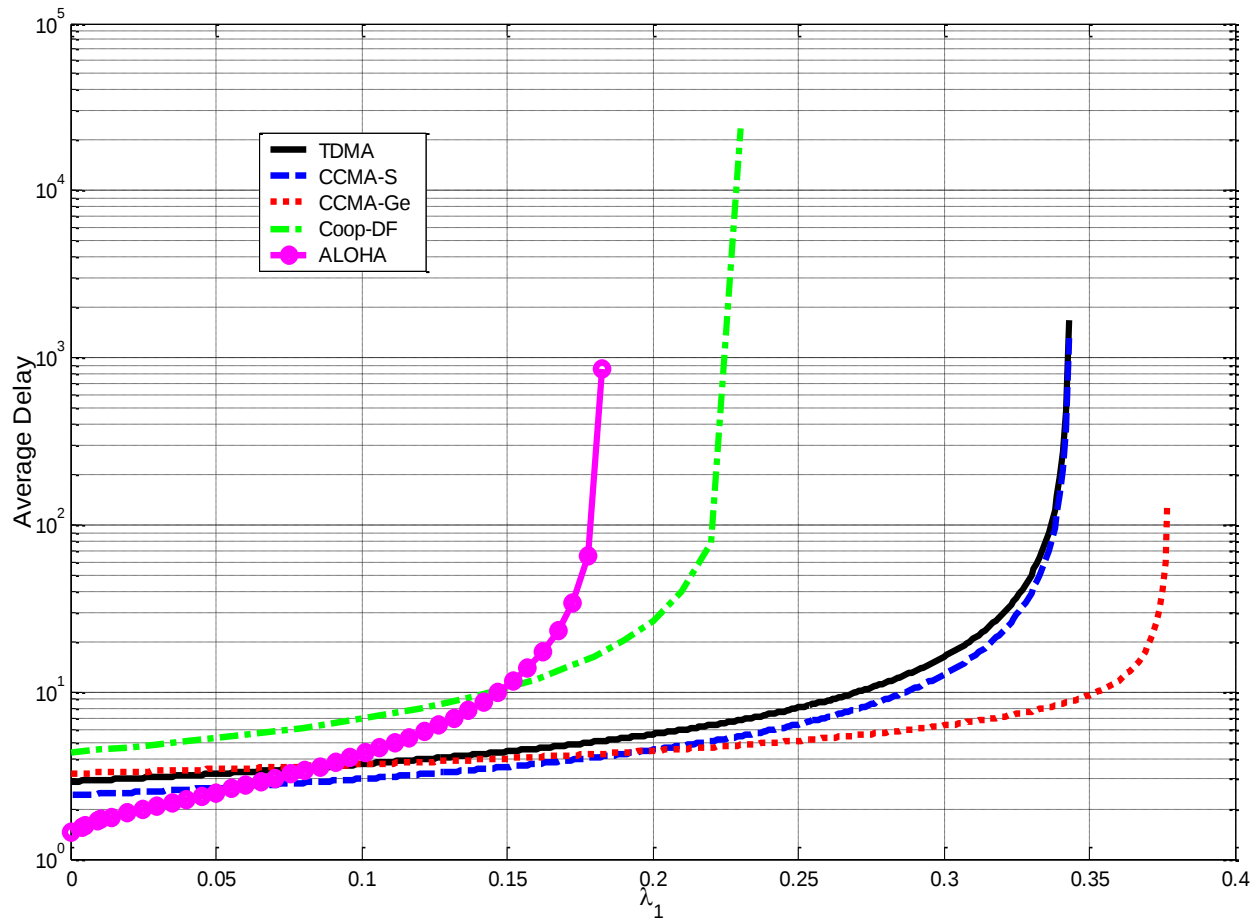
- In CCMA-M, a packet can encounter two queueing delays; the first in the terminal's queue and the second in the relay's queue.

$$T(\text{CCMA-M}) = \begin{cases} T_t, & \xi \\ T_t + T_l, & \bar{\xi} \end{cases}$$

- The average queueing delay is

$$D(\text{CCMA-M}) = \frac{f_{1d}}{P_1} \frac{1-\lambda}{\omega P_1 - \lambda} + \frac{f_{1l}(1-f_{1d})}{P_1} \left(\frac{1-\lambda}{\omega P_1 - \lambda} + \frac{1-\lambda_l}{\mu_l - \lambda_l} \right).$$

Performance Comparison



Conclusions

- Cognitive relays can utilize idle channel resources for cooperation!
- We can leverage cooperation to improve MAC layer performance by introducing the two novel protocols!
- Significant increases in the stable throughput regions and better delay performance!