

APPENDIX A

PROOF OF LEMMA 2

According to the proposed communication protocol, the BS transmission is given higher priority than source transmission due to the real-time of patients' data. Therefore, source can be selected to transmit the data only when all $m \rightarrow d$ links are outage, and there would be four cases.

Case 1: The selected BS is m^* and the packet number in its cache is 0, i.e., $\mathcal{D} = m^* \wedge l^* = 0$. The elements of $\mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}$ is divided into two categories, one belongs to the subset $\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}$ (i.e., $sm \in \mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}$) whose channel quality satisfies the condition (7), the other one belongs to the subset $\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}$ but not to the set $\mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}$ (i.e., $s\hat{m} \notin \mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}$ and $s\hat{m} \in \mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}$), and theirs whose channel quality dose not satisfy the condition (7). Note that for different sets of $\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}$, the probabilities that $s \rightarrow m^*$ link is selected for transmission leading to the state transition from S_i to S_j have different values. Therefore, we need to find out all possible subsets of $\mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}$ that each contains the link $s \rightarrow m^*$. Overall, when $\mathcal{D} = m^* \wedge l^* = 0$, the probability that the source transmission leads to the connected state S_j can be formulated as

$$A_{i,j}^{i.n.d} = \sum_{\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}|} \underbrace{\prod_{sm \in \mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}} \mathbb{P}(g_s^m \geq \theta_s) \prod_{\substack{s\hat{m} \notin \mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*} \\ s\hat{m} \in \mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}}} \mathbb{P}(g_s^{\hat{m}} \geq \theta_s)}_{\textcircled{a}} \prod_{d=1}^{\tau-1} \Theta_{id}^{DSI} \quad (1)$$

where the term $1/|\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}|$ is due to the fact that we select one of them uniformly when $\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}$ consists of multiple elements, the term \textcircled{a} is $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*})$ and can be derived as (35) by some numerical calculations and simplification, $\prod_{d=1}^{\tau-1} \Theta_{id}^{DSI}$ is the probability that all $m \rightarrow d$ links are outage, which is the same as that in Lemma 1.

Case 2: The selected BS is m^* and the packet number in its cache is $0 < l^* < \tau - 1$, i.e., $\mathcal{D} = m^* \wedge 0 < l^* < \tau - 1$. Based on Algorithm 1, the fewer packets the BS owns, the higher priority it is selected as the receiver. Thus, only when the quality of these $s \rightarrow m$ links does not satisfy the condition (7) where the involved BSs own fewer packets than BS m^* , i.e., $\psi(U_m^i) \in [0, l^* - 1]$. Thus, when $\mathcal{D} = m^* \wedge 0 < l^* < \tau - 1$, the probability that the source

transmission leads to the connected state S_j can be formulated as

$$A_{i,j}^{i.n.d} = \sum_{\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*}|} \underbrace{\prod_{sm \in \mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm}} \mathbb{P}(g_s^m \geq \theta_s) \prod_{\substack{sm \notin \mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm} \\ sm \in \mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}}} \mathbb{P}(g_s^{\hat{m}} \geq \theta_s)}_{\textcircled{b}} \prod_{l=0}^{l^*-1} \mathbb{P}(g_s^m < \theta_s) \prod_{d=1}^{\tau-1} \Theta_{id}^{DSI}. \quad (2)$$

where the term \textcircled{b} is $\mathcal{P}_2(\mathcal{G}_{l^*}^{sm^*})$ and we can obtain (36) by do some numerical calculations.

Case 3: The selected partner pair is (m^*, k) and the packet number in its cache is $l^* = 0$, i.e., $\mathcal{D} = (m^*, k) \wedge l^* = 0$. Notice that we would select one idle BS as the cooperative jammer only when the quality of all $s \rightarrow m$ links does not satisfy the condition (7). So, when the BSs m^* and k are selected as the partner pair, there have three-level meanings: 1) the channel gains of these $s \rightarrow m$ links where the involved BSs have the non-empty caches, $\psi(U_m^i) \geq 1$, must satisfy the condition $\theta_s > g_s^m$; 2) the channel gains of $s \rightarrow m^*$ and $m^* \rightarrow k$ links must satisfy the condition $\theta_s > g_s^{m^*} \geq g_k^{m^*} \Xi_{sk}^{m^*}$ and $g_k^{m^*} \beta_{m^*} \leq \min_{m \neq m^*, k} \{g_m^{m^*} \beta_{m^*}\}$; 3) for other BSs which own the empty cache, i.e., $\bar{m} \in \mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI} \wedge \bar{m} \neq m^*$, we have $\theta_s > g_s^{\bar{m}}$ and $g_k^{m^*} \beta_{m^*} < \min_{\hat{m} \neq \bar{m}} \{g_{\hat{m}}^{\bar{m}} \beta_{\bar{m}}\}$. Thus, when $\mathcal{D} = (m^*, k) \wedge l^* = 0$, the probability that the source transmission leads to the connected state S_j can be formulated as

$$A_{i,j}^{i.n.d} = \prod_{l=1}^{\tau-1} \mathbb{P}(g_s^m < \theta_s) \prod_{\bar{m} \in \mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}/m^*} \mathbb{P}(g_s^{\bar{m}} < \theta_s) \prod_{d=1}^{\tau-1} \Theta_{id}^{DSI} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbb{P}\left(\left(\theta_s > g_s^{m^*} \geq g_k^{m^*} \Xi_{sk}^{m^*}\right) \wedge g_k^{m^*} \beta_{m^*} \leq \min \left\{ \min_{\substack{\bar{m} \in \mathbb{G}_{l^*}^{PNI}/m^* \\ \hat{m} \neq \bar{m}}} \{g_{\hat{m}}^{\bar{m}} \beta_{\bar{m}}\}, \min_{m \neq m^*, k} \{g_m^{m^*} \beta_{m^*}\} \right\}\right)}_{\textcircled{c}}. \quad (3)$$

where the term \textcircled{c} is $\mathcal{P}_{km^*}^1$ and can be derived as (38) by some numerical calculations and simplification.

Case 4: The selected partner pair is (m^*, k) and the packet number in its cache is $0 < l^* < \tau - 1$, i.e., $\mathcal{D} = (m^*, k) \wedge 0 < l^* < \tau - 1$. The difference between this case and Case 3 is that all $s \rightarrow m$ links are outage where the number of the packets in the cache of the involved BS m is less than l^* . Similar to the Case 3, the probability that the source transmission leads to the

connected state S_j can be formulated as

$$A_{i,j}^{i.n.d} = \prod_{l=1}^{\tau-1} \mathbb{P}(g_s^m < \theta_s) \prod_{d=1}^{\tau-1} \Theta_{id}^{DSI} \prod_{l=0}^{l^*-1} \Theta_{il}^{PNI} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(\theta_s > g_s^{m^*} > g_k^{m^*} \Xi_{sk}^{m^*}) \mathbb{P}\left(g_k^{m^*} \beta_{m^*} < \min \left\{ \min_{\substack{\bar{m} \in \mathbb{G}_*^{PNI}/m^* \\ \bar{m} \neq \bar{m}}} \{g_{\bar{m}}^{\bar{m}} \beta_{\bar{m}}\}, \min_{m \neq m^*, k} \{g_m^{m^*} \beta_{m^*}\} \right\} \right)}_{\textcircled{d}}}. \quad (4)$$

where the expression of the term \textcircled{d} is same as the term $\textcircled{3}$ in Case 3.

Overall, the state transition caused by the source transmission from state S_i to state S_j under the proposed communication protocol only have the above four cases. Therefore, according to the formulas (1)-(4), we can derive $A_{i,j}$ as the result (34).