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In this paper, we evaluate the performance of a vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) system where full-duplex relay (FDR) harvests the energy from source and uses decode-and-forward (DF) protocol to forward data from source to destination. Unlike existing works about FDR systems, we consider the scenario that both relay and destination are moving vehicles, leading to the channel between relay and destination characterized by double (cascade) Rayleigh fading. We successfully obtain the closed-form mathematical expressions of the outage probability (OP) and throughput of the considered energy harvesting- (EH-) FDR-V2V system. Based on these expressions, the system performance is investigated through various scenarios. Numerical results indicate that the performance of the considered system is reduced compared with that of the system over Rayleigh fading channels. We also observe that there is an optimal EH time duration that minimizes the OP and maximizes the throughput. This value depends on the transmission power of source. Furthermore, the OP goes to outage floor faster due to the impact of the residual self-interference (RSI), especially when RSI is high. All analysis results are verified by Monte-Carlo simulations.

1. Introduction

Recently, energy harvesting (EH) has attracted great attention due to the advantages and applications of this technique in wireless sensors, microcontrollers, and displays [1–4]. Compared with the traditional wireline power supply, the wireless power supply using EH can be applied for the devices whose batteries cannot be charged by traditional methods, such as the devices in body area networks. Therefore, harvesting energy from the environment is a promising approach to prolong the lifetime of energy-constrained wireless networks. Among other renewable energy sources such as solar and wind, background radio-frequency (RF) signals radiated by ambient transmitters can be a viable new source for wireless power transfer (WPT). On the other hand, RF signals have been widely used as a vehicle for wireless information transmission (WIT). Simultaneous wireless information and power transfer (SWIPT) becomes appealing since it realizes both useful utilizations of RF signals at the same time and thus potentially offers great convenience to mobile users.

Meanwhile, full-duplex (FD) communications can increase the spectral efficiency two times compared with the traditional half-duplex (HD) communications because FD devices simultaneously transmit and receive signal at the same time and on the same frequency band. Thus, the FD technique is able to satisfy the requirement of the future wireless network such as the fifth generation (5G) and beyond [5–8]. However, the residual self-interference (RSI) after self-interference cancellation (SIC) increases the outage and bit error rate (BER) and reduces the capacity of FD communication systems. Fortunately, the researches and measurements have demonstrated that the FD systems can be deployed in realistic scenarios with the help of the recent advantage techniques such as antenna design, analog, and digital signal processing. By using three domains for cancellation such as antenna domain suppression, analog, and digital domain...
cancellation, the self-interference (SI) can be suppressed up
to 110 dB, making the RSI as small as the noise floor [9,
10]. Nowadays, the FD transmission is exploited at relay to
enhance the coverage and reliability of the wireless commu-
nication systems [6, 11–14]. It is demonstrated that by using
FD relay (FDR), the wireless systems can get higher capacity
with small performance loss compared with the traditional
HD relay (HDR) wireless systems.

To prolong the lifetime of wireless devices in FDR com-
munication systems, the EH technique has been considered
in many research works in the literature [3, 12, 15–19]. Based
on mathematical analysis, the performance of EH-FDR sys-
tems has been investigated in various scenarios such as over
Nakagami-m fading channel [12], Rayleigh fading [3, 15–
18], and α–μ environment [19]. These works derived the
analysis expressions of the outage probability (OP) [3, 12,
15–19], symbol error probability (SEP) [12, 15], and ergodic
capacity [16, 18] of the EH-FDR systems in the case that only
FD relay harvests the energy from source or both source
and FD relay harvest the energy from power beacon (PB).
Numerical results indicated that these systems can operate
in practical scenarios with high transmission power of source
or PB. Moreover, using PB with multiple antennas can signif-
icantly increase the harvested energy at source and FD relay,
thus improving the OP and SEP performance. On the other
hand, the RSI due to FD transmission mode has a great impact
on the performance of EH-FDR systems. It makes the OP and
SEP of the EH-FDR systems go to error floor in high signal-
to-noise ratio (SNR) regime. In addition, choosing a suitable
EH time duration is very important because that value can
minimize the OP and SEP of the EH-FDR systems.

Additionally, various works in the literature have pro-
posed several architectures for SWIPT receivers such as ideal
receiver, time switching (TS) receiver, and power splitting
(PS) receiver [20, 21]. The advantages and disadvantages of
these SWIPT receivers have been discussed. Specifically, the
ideal receiver is not suitable for practical circuits, due to the
fact that the receiver could not be able to decode information
and harvest energy from the same signal [21]. Meanwhile, the
TS and PS receivers are applicable in practical. In TS proto-
col, the receiver harvests energy and retrieves information
in two time slots. In PS protocol, the receiver splits the
received signal into two streams, one for EH and the other
for information decoder [21].

Today, vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communication systems
are fast developed due to their crucial role in the road safety
applications, especially in the cooperative driving and semi-
autonomous driving [22]. In that context, FDR is used to
reduce the transmission delay between vehicles in intelligent
transportation systems (ITS) [22–24]. In the literature, vari-
ous works have investigated the performance of FDR-V2V
systems via the mathematical expressions of OP and SEP
[23, 24] and proposed several solutions such as antenna
design [25] and interference management [26] to improve
the performance of FDR-V2V systems. These works indi-
cated that in the case of V2V communications, the channels
between vehicles are not the traditional channels such as
Rayleigh, Nakagami, and Rician. Instead, the double Rayleigh
fading channels best describe the characteristics of V2V com-
munication. Furthermore, under the impacts of both the RSI
and V2V channels, the OP and SEP of FDR-V2V systems go
to the error floor faster [23, 24].

On the other hand, when wireless devices move on the
road and transmit signals for a long time, traditional power
supply methods, such as wireline power supply, may be
impossible to be used. Therefore, EH technique becomes an
effective power supply for FDR-V2V communication sys-
tems. When equipped with EH circuits, the V2V devices
can move and harvest the energy at the same time. Then, they
use that harvested energy to transmit signals. However, due
to the computational complexity caused by the double
Rayleigh fading channels, especially when EH is applied, the
research about the EH-FDR-V2V system is still limited.

Motivated by these above matters, we mathematically
evaluate the performance of an EH-FDR-V2V system over
double Rayleigh fading channels. Although the combination
of EH and FDR into a traditional wireless communication
system has been investigated in various works, this is the first
work that considers the combination of EH and FDR into a
V2V communication system where the FD relay harvests
energy from source and uses DF protocol. We successfully
derive the exact expressions of the OP and throughput of
the considered EH-FDR-V2V system. The main contribu-
tions of the paper can be summarized as follows:

(1) A model of the EH-FDR-V2V system is investigated
where source is a static base station while relay and
destination are moving vehicles. In addition, the relay
harvests the energy from source via RF signals while
moving on the road; thus, the channels from relay
to destination are double Rayleigh fading channels.
Moreover, the relay uses decode-and-forward (DF)
protocol to forward data from source to destination

(2) The exact closed-form expressions of OP and
throughput of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system
under the impact of both RSI and double Rayleigh
fading channels are obtained. We show that, com-
pared with the Rayleigh fading channels, the double
Rayleigh fading channel makes the mathematical
derivations more difficult

(3) The performance of the considered EH-FDR-V2V
system is investigated in various scenarios. Numeri-
cal results show that the considered system is greatly
reduced because of the double Rayleigh fading chan-
nels. With a certain transmission power of source,
there is an optimal EH time duration which mini-
mizes the OP and maximizes the throughput of the
considered system. Furthermore, higher RSI makes
the OP goes to outage floor faster. Therefore, based
on the transmission power of source and the system
requirements, we can choose a suitable value of the
EH time duration to achieve both higher OP perfor-
mance and throughput. Finally, we validate all analy-
sis results by Monte-Carlo simulations

The rest of this paper is organized as follows: Section 2
describes the system and signal model of the considered
EH-FDR-V2V system. Then, Section 3 analyzes the performance of the considered system by deriving the exact closed-form expressions of OP and throughput. Section 4 presents the numerical results and discussions. Finally, Section 5 concludes the paper.

2. System Models

Figure 1 presents the system model of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system. Data is transmitted from a static source (S) to a destination (D), a moving vehicle, via the assistance of relay (R), also a moving vehicle. S and D have one antenna and operate in HD mode while R has two antennas and operates in FD mode. In fact, R can use only one antenna for both transmitting and receiving, namely, shared antenna. However, the usage of separate antennas improves SIC capability because various methods for SIC in antenna domain such as isolation, antenna directionality, and cross-polarization can be easily applied [27]. Since the power supply of R is limited, especially when R moves on the road and exchanges data for a long time, R needs to harvest energy from the RF signals transmitted by S and then uses all the harvested energy for signal transmission.

There are two EH protocols commonly used in wireless systems, i.e., TS and PS protocols as mentioned previously. In addition, the combination of these two protocols has also been applied in the literature to increase the amount of harvested energy and the performance of SWIPT systems. Various works such as [28–30] demonstrated that PS protocol can provide better secrecy outage probability (SOP) and ergodic secrecy rate than TS protocol. However, the throughput of TS protocol outperforms that of PS protocol at relatively low signal-to-noise-ratio (SNR) and high transmission rate [31]. Thus, we will use TS protocol for the analysis in this paper.

On the other hand, since S is stationary and R is a moving vehicle, the channel between S and R is influenced by Rayleigh fading because there is only one group of scatterers around the receiver [32, 33]. Meanwhile, since both R and D are moving vehicles, the channel between R and D is affected by double (cascade) Rayleigh fading because there are two independent groups of scatterers around both the transmitter and receiver [32–37].

Figure 2 illustrates the operation of TS protocol at the SWIPT receiver in transmission block $T$. It comprises of two stages: EH and data transmission. In the first stage, the time duration of $\alpha T$ with time switching ratio $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ is used for R to harvest the energy from the RF signals transmitted from S. In this stage, S can optimize the transmitted waveforms to enhance the harvested energy at R. Meanwhile, in the second stage, the time duration of $(1 - \alpha) T$ is used for data transmission from S to R and from R to D. Since R simultaneously receives signals from S and transmits them to D at the same time and on the same frequency band, the SI from transmission antenna to reception antenna of R occurs. With separate antenna for transmission and reception, R can have higher SIC capability compared with shared antennas. Furthermore, R can use both antennas for EH in the time duration $\alpha T$ to obtain higher the harvested energy. However, the work in [38] demonstrated that the usage of both antennas for EH will reduce the system performance compared with the case that only one antenna is used for EH. It is because higher harvested energy leads to higher transmission power of R and thus higher SI power. Consequently, in this paper, we consider the case that only one antenna of R is used for EH.

In the time duration $\alpha T$ for EH, the harvested energy at R (denoted by $E_{R}^{h}$) is given by [1]

$$E_{R}^{h} = \eta TP_{S} |h_{SR}|^{2}$$

(1)

where $P_{S}$ is the average transmission power of S; $h_{SR}$ is the fading coefficient of channel from S to R; $d_{SR}$ is the distance between S and R; $2 \leq m \leq 6$ is the path loss exponent; and $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$ is the energy conversion efficiency and its value is a constant but depends on the quality of electronic circuit.
Because all the harvested energy is used for data transmission, the transmission power of R is computed as

\[ P_R = \eta\alpha P_S |h_{SR}|^2 \left( \frac{d_{SR}^m}{(1 - \alpha)T} \right) = \eta\alpha P_S |h_{SR}|^2 \left( \frac{d_{SR}^m}{d_{SR}^m(1 - \alpha)} \right). \] (2)

In practice, the output power of EH circuit may be proportional to the harvested input power up to a certain saturation power threshold \( P_{th} \). When the input power exceeds \( P_{th} \), the output power remains unchanged. There are various factors causing the nonlinear characteristic of an energy harvester such as diode and saturation nonlinearities. Nonlinearities are an intrinsic property of diode. Meanwhile, saturation nonlinearities were confirmed by experiments on energy harvesting circuits [21, 39–41]. As a result of this nonlinearity, the transmission power of R is computed as \( P = \eta\alpha P_S |h_{SR}|^2 \left( \frac{d_{SR}^m}{d_{SR}^m(1 - \alpha)} \right) \leq P_{th} \),

\[ P_{th} = \eta\alpha P_S |h_{SR}|^2 \left( \frac{d_{SR}^m}{(1 - \alpha)} \right), \] (3)

\[ P_{th} = \eta\alpha P_S |h_{SR}|^2 \left( \frac{d_{SR}^m}{1 - \alpha} \right) \geq P_{th}. \]

In the time duration \((1 - \alpha)T\), R receives signals from S while it forwards signals to D. This operation creates SI from the transmission antenna to the reception antenna of R. The received signals at R and D are now expressed as

\[ y_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_{SR}^m}} h_{SR} \sqrt{P_S} x_S + \frac{1}{d_{RR}^m} h_{RR} \sqrt{P_R} x_R + z_R, \] (4)

\[ y_D = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_{RD}^m}} h_{RD} \sqrt{P_R} x_R + z_D, \] (5)

where \( d_{SR}^m \) and \( d_{RD}^m \) are, respectively, the distances from the transmitted to reception antennas of R and from R to D; \( h_{SR}, h_{RD}, \) and \( h_{RR} \) are, respectively, the fading coefficients of S-R channel and R-D channel and from the transmission antenna to the reception antenna of R; \( x_S \) and \( x_R \) are the transmitted signals at S and R, respectively; and \( P_s \) and \( P_R \) are, respectively, the average transmission powers of S and R; \( z_R \) and \( z_D \) are the Gaussian noises with zero mean and variance of \( \sigma^2 \), i.e., \( z_R \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, \sigma^2) \) and \( z_D \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, \sigma^2) \).

As shown in (4), the term \((1/\sqrt{d_{SR}^m}) h_{SR} \sqrt{P_S} x_S \) is the SI. The average power of SI before SIC can be computed as

\[ E \left( \frac{|h_{SR}|^2}{d_{SR}^m} P_R \right) = \eta\alpha P_S \left( \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \right) \left( \frac{d_{SR}^m}{d_{SR}^m} \right), \] (6)

where \( E \{ \cdot \} \) is the expectation operator.

Since R can apply all SIC techniques in three domains such as antenna propagation, analog suppression, and digital cancellation, the SI power is greatly reduced. Through SI channel estimation, SI can be suppressed effectively, especially in the digital cancellation domain. However, due to imperfect SIC, the residual SI (RSI) still exists at R. According to the analysis and measurements, the RSI due to FD mode (denoted by \( I_{RSI} \)) is modeled by a complex Gaussian distribution with zero mean and variance of \( \sigma_{RSI}^2 \) [3, 8, 9, 42, 43], where \( \sigma_{RSI}^2 \) is given by

\[ \sigma_{RSI}^2 = \frac{k\eta\alpha P_S}{1 - \alpha}, \] (7)

where \( k \) denotes the SIC capability of the FD relay.

After all SIC techniques, (4) can be rewritten as

\[ y_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_{SR}^m}} h_{SR} \sqrt{P_S} x_S + I_R + z_R, \]

Based on (8) and (5), the signal-to-interference-plus-noise ratios (SINRs) at R (denoted by \( \gamma_R \)) and D (denoted by \( \gamma_D \)) of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system are, respectively, computed as

\[ \gamma_R = \frac{|h_{SR}|^2 P_S}{d_{SR}^m \left( \sigma_{RSI}^2 + \sigma^2 \right)}, \]

\[ \gamma_D = \frac{|h_{RD}|^2 P_R}{d_{RD}^m \sigma^2} = \frac{|h_{SR}|^2 |h_{RD}|^2 \eta\alpha P_S}{d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \sigma^2 (1 - \alpha)}. \]

When DF protocol is applied at FD relay, the end-to-end SINR (denoted by \( \gamma \)) of the considered system is calculated as

\[ \gamma = \min (\gamma_R, \gamma_D). \] (10)

### 3. System Performance Analysis

#### 3.1. Outage Probability Analysis

In this subsection, we derive the analysis expression of the OP for evaluating the system performance. Mathematically, the OP is calculated as

\[ \text{OP} = \Pr \{ (1 - \alpha) \log_2 (1 + \gamma) < R \} = \Pr \{ y < 2^{R/(1-\alpha)} - 1 \} \] (11)

where \( R \) (bit/s/Hz) is a predetta transmission rate; \( y \) is the end-to-end SINR of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system given in (10); and \( y_{th} = 2^{R/(1-\alpha)} - 1 \) is the SINR threshold.

From (11), the OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system is derived in Theorem 1.

**Theorem 1.** Under the impact of the RSI, the OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system over double Rayleigh fading channels is given by
\[
\begin{align*}
OP &= 1 - \frac{\pi}{2N} \exp \left( -\frac{\Lambda y_i}{\Omega} \right) \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{\Theta y_{th} (1 - \phi_n^2)}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3 (\Omega_1 \ln (1/u) + \Lambda y_{th})} \cdot K_1 \left( \frac{\Theta y_{th}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3 (\Omega_1 \ln (1/u) + \Lambda y_{th})} \right), \\
&= \frac{1}{\Omega_1} \exp \left( -\frac{\lambda y}{\Omega_2} \right) \int_0^\infty \exp \left( -\frac{\lambda y}{\Omega_2} \right) \frac{y_{th} d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \sigma^2 (1 - \alpha)}{\sigma y_{th}^2 \eta \alpha P_S} \, dy,
\end{align*}
\]

where \( \Lambda = \left( d_{SR}^m (\sigma_{RS}^2 + \sigma^2) \right) / P_S \); \( \Theta = \left( 4 d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \sigma^2 (1 - \alpha) / \eta \alpha P_S \right) \); \( \Omega_1 \) is the average channel gain of Rayleigh fading S-R channel; \( \Omega_2 \) and \( \Omega_3 \) are the average channel gains of the double Rayleigh R-D channels; \( N \) is the complexity-accuracy trade-off parameter; \( \phi_n = \cos ((2n-1)\pi/2N); u = (1/2) \)

\[
\frac{1}{\Omega_1} \exp \left( -\frac{\lambda y}{\Omega_2} \right) \int_0^\infty \exp \left( -\frac{\lambda y}{\Omega_2} \right) \frac{y_{th} d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \sigma^2 (1 - \alpha)}{\sigma y_{th}^2 \eta \alpha P_S} \, dy,
\]

Applying the property of conditional probability [45], (14) becomes

\[
\begin{align*}
OP &= 1 - \int_0^\infty \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sigma y_{th}^2 \eta \alpha P_S} \right) \left( \frac{y_{th} d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \sigma^2 (1 - \alpha)}{\sigma y_{th}^2 \eta \alpha P_S} \right) \, dy, \\
&= 1 - \int_0^\infty \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sigma y_{th}^2 \eta \alpha P_S} \right) \left( \frac{y_{th} d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \sigma^2 (1 - \alpha)}{\sigma y_{th}^2 \eta \alpha P_S} \right) \, dy,
\end{align*}
\]

where \( y = |h_{SR}|^2 - \left( y_{th} d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m (\sigma_{RS}^2 + \sigma^2) / P_S \right) \).

For calculating the integral in (15), we need to derive the distributions of \( |h_{SR}|^2 \) and \( |h_{RD}|^2 \). Since S-R channel is influenced by Rayleigh fading, the cumulative distribution function (CDF, denoted by \( F(.) \)) and the probability density function (PDF, denoted by \( f(.) \)) of \( |h_{SR}|^2 \) are given by

\[
\begin{align*}
F_{|h_{SR}|^2}(x) &= 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{x}{\Omega_1} \right), \quad x \geq 0, \\
f_{|h_{SR}|^2}(x) &= \frac{1}{\Omega_1} \exp \left( -\frac{x}{\Omega_1} \right), \quad x \geq 0,
\end{align*}
\]

where \( \Omega_1 = E\{|h_{SR}|^2\} \) is the average channel gain of S-R communication link.

Furthermore, since R-D channel is double Rayleigh fading channel, thus, \( |h_{RD}|^2 \) is considered the multiplication of two independent variables \( |h_2|^2 \) and \( |h_3|^2 \), which means

\[
|h_{RD}|^2 = |h_2|^2 |h_3|^2 \] where \( |h_2|^2 \) and \( |h_3|^2 \) are the instantaneous channel gains of the Rayleigh fading channel with the average channel gains \( \Omega_2 = E\{|h_2|^2\} \) and \( \Omega_3 = E\{|h_3|^2\} \). The CDF and PDF of \( |h_{RD}|^2 \) are, respectively, given by [23, 24, 46]

\[
\begin{align*}
F_{|h_{RD}|^2}(x) &= 1 - \frac{4x}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3} K_0 \left( \frac{4x}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3} \right), \\
f_{|h_{RD}|^2}(x) &= \frac{2}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3} K_0 \left( \frac{4x}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3} \right),
\end{align*}
\]

where \( K_0(.) \) is the zero-order modified Bessel function of the second kind [44].

Now, applying (16), (17), (18), and (19) to calculate (15), we have

\[
\begin{align*}
OP &= 1 - \int_0^\infty \frac{4\sqrt{\frac{y_{th} d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \sigma^2 (1 - \alpha)}{\sigma y_{th}^2 \eta \alpha P_S}} K_0 \left( \frac{4x}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3} \right)}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3} \sqrt{\frac{y_{th} d_{SR}^m d_{RD}^m \gamma (\sigma_{RS}^2 + \sigma^2) / P_S)} \eta \alpha P_S} \, dy
\end{align*}
\]
which is given in (12). and the time switching ratio and OP is the outage probability, where $\mathcal{R}$ is the throughput (denoted by $\mathcal{R}$) of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system. Theorem 2. The throughput (denoted by $\mathcal{T}_{\text{put}}$) of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system is calculated as

$$
\mathcal{T}_{\text{put}} = \mathcal{R}(1 - \alpha)(1 - \text{OP}),
$$

where $\mathcal{R}$ and $\alpha$ are, respectively, the predata transmission rate and the time switching ratio and OP is the outage probability, which is given in (12).

$$
= 1 - \frac{1}{\Omega_1} \int_0^\infty \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(y + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} K_1 dy
\cdot \left( \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(y + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} \right) \exp \left( - \frac{y - \Lambda_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_1} \right) dy
= 1 - \frac{1}{\Omega_1} \int_0^\infty \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(y + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} K_1 dy
\cdot \left( \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(\Omega_1 \ln(1/z) + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} \right) dz.
\tag{20}
$$

$$
OP = 1 - \exp \left( - \frac{\Lambda_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_1} \right) \int_0^\infty \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(\Omega_1 \ln(1/z) + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} K_1 dy
\cdot \left( \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(\Omega_1 \ln(1/z) + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} \right) dz.
\tag{21}
$$

Using the Gaussian-Chebyshev quadrature method [47] for calculating the integral in (21), we have

$$
\int_0^\infty \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(\Omega_1 \ln(1/z) + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} K_1 dy
\cdot \left( \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(\Omega_1 \ln(1/z) + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} \right) dz
= \frac{\pi}{2N} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\Theta_{\text{th}}(1 - \phi_n^2)}{\Omega_2 \Omega_3(\Omega_1 \ln(1/u) + \Lambda_{\text{th}})} K_1,
\tag{22}
$$

where $N$, $\phi_n$, and $u$ are defined after (12).

Plugging (22) into (21), we obtain the OP of the considered system as in (12). The proof is complete.

3.2. Throughput Analysis. For a wireless system, besides the OP, throughput is another important parameter that needs to be evaluated. Therefore, in this subsection, we derive the throughput of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system.

Theorem 2. The throughput (denoted by $\mathcal{T}_{\text{put}}$) of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system is calculated as

$$
\mathcal{T}_{\text{put}} = \mathcal{R}(1 - \alpha)(1 - \text{OP}),
$$

where $\mathcal{R}$ and $\alpha$ are, respectively, the predata transmission rate and the time switching ratio and OP is the outage probability, which is given in (12).

4. Numerical Results and Discussion

In this section, we use the OP and throughput expressions obtained in the previous section to evaluate the performance of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system. Various scenarios are carried out to investigate the impacts of the double Rayleigh fading channels, the RSI, and the time switching ratio on the system performance. The Monte-Carlo simulations are used to verify the correctness of our analysis. In all results, we set the average SNR $\text{SNR} = P_s/\sigma^2$, the energy harvesting efficiency is $\eta = 0.85$, the path loss exponent is $m = 2.7$ (that is similar for an urban cellular network environment [31]), and the distances $(d_{SR}$ and $d_{RD}$) and the average channel gains $(\Omega_1$, $\Omega_2$, and $\Omega_3)$ are normalized to a unit value such as in [14, 31, 42].

Figure 3 plots the OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system versus the average SNR using (12) in Theorem 1. To evaluate the impact of double Rayleigh fading channels, we also provide the OP of this system in the case that $R$ and $D$ are static (denoted by “Fixed” in Figure 3). Note that in this case, $S-R$ and $R-D$ channels are not influenced by Rayleigh fading. If $S$ and $D$ in [17] were equipped with a single antenna, the system model in [17] would become the case of “Simulation (Fixed)” in this paper. Moreover, we simulate the OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system with a nonlinear energy harvester and the saturation power threshold is $P_{\text{th}}/\sigma^2 = 25$ dB to compared with the OP of this system with a linear energy harvester. As can be seen from Figure 3, with $\mathcal{R} = 0.3$ bit/s/Hz and OP = $10^{-3}$, the OP performance of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system over double Rayleigh fading channels is 5 dB lower compared with that over Rayleigh fading channels. With a higher data transmission rate, e.g., $\mathcal{R} = 0.6$ and $\mathcal{R} = 1$ bit/s/Hz, the OP in the case of double Rayleigh fading channels still goes down while the OP in the case of Rayleigh fading channels nearly goes to outage.
**Figure 4:** The OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system versus the time switching ratio $\alpha$ with different values of SNR, $k = -30$ dB, and $\mathcal{R} = 0.3$ bit/s/Hz.

**Figure 5:** The impact of SIC capability on the OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system with $\mathcal{R} = 0.3$ bit/s/Hz and $\alpha = 0.5$.

floor due to the impact of the RSI. Furthermore, due to the effect of saturation power threshold, the OPs with nonlinear energy harvesters go to the floors faster than the OPs with linear energy harvesters as SNR $\geq 35$ dB.

Figure 4 shows the OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system versus the time switching ratio $\alpha$ with different values of SNR, i.e., SNR = 10, 20, 30, 40, and 50 dB. For a certain value of SNR, there is an optimal $\alpha$ that minimizes the OP of the considered system. For example, in the case of SNR = 50 dB, the optimal $\alpha = 0.3$. When SNR decreases, the optimal $\alpha$ is increased, i.e., $\alpha = 0.5$ for SNR = 40 dB, $\alpha = 0.6$ for SNR = 30 dB, and $\alpha = 0.7$ for SNR = 20, 10 dB. These results are reasonable for the considered system because it is obvious that, in low SNR regime (low transmission power of S), R needs a long time to harvest enough energy for transmitting signals. In the case of high SNR regime, R can harvest enough energy in a short time; thus, the optimal point is reduced. Based on these features, we can choose a suitable value of the time switching ratio to get the lowest OP of the considered system depending on the transmission power of S.

Figure 5 investigates the impact of SIC capability $k$ on the OP of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system. We can see in Figure 5 that with small values of $k$, e.g., $k = -50$ and $-30$ dB, the impact of the RSI on the OP is small. Therefore, the OP still goes down in the evaluated range of the SNR. However, with a higher value of $k$, e.g., $k = -20$ dB, the impact of the RSI is very strong, especially in the high SNR regime. Particularly, in the range from 0 to 30 dB of the SNR, the OPs with $k = -50$, $-30$, and $-20$ dB are very similar. However, when SNR $> 35$ dB, the differences between the OPs with $k = -50$, $-30$, and $-20$ dB are remarkable. For $k = -20$ dB, the OP goes to outage floor when SNR $> 50$ dB. For a higher value of $k$, e.g., $k = -10$, $-5$, and 0 dB, the OPs go to outage floor earlier (at SNR = 35 dB). The outage floors are $4 \times 10^{-2}$, $1.3 \times 10^{-1}$, and $3.6 \times 10^{-1}$ corresponding to $k = -10$ dB, $k = -5$ dB, and $k = 0$ dB, respectively. Therefore, all SIC solutions must be applied effectively to get the smallest RSI.

**Figure 6:** The throughput of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system versus the average SNR with different values of time switching ratio, $\mathcal{R} = 1$ bit/s/Hz, and $k = -30$ dB.
In this case, we have \( \text{EH} \) = 0, the transmission power of \( R \) also equals zero. This can be used to get the maximal throughput because the destination (D) cannot detect its messages successfully. Therefore, we need to combine both the OP performance and the throughput to select a suitable \( \alpha \). For the convenience in choosing \( \alpha \) for the considered system, we will investigate the relationship between throughput and \( \alpha \) in the next scenario.

Figure 7 investigates the throughput of the considered EH-FDR-V2V system versus the time switching ratio \( \alpha \). We can see that, with high SNRs, the throughput is highest when the time switching ratio \( \alpha \) is smallest. For example, in the case of \( \text{SNR} = 50, 40, \) and \( 30 \) dB, the throughput is maximal when \( \alpha = 0.1 \). However, with lower SNRs, e.g., \( \text{SNR} = 20 \) and \( 10 \) dB, the value \( \alpha = 0.1 \) is not the optimal value that maximizes the throughput. In these cases, the throughput is highest when \( \alpha = 0.2 \) and \( \alpha = 0.3 \) for \( \text{SNR} = 20 \) dB and \( \text{SNR} = 10 \) dB, respectively. We should also remind that \( \alpha = 0 \) should not be used to get the maximal throughput because when \( \alpha = 0 \) (no time for EH), the transmission power of \( R \) also equals zero. In this case, we have \( \text{OP} = 1 \) and \( T_{\text{put}} = 0 \) (refer to (23)). Based on Figures 4 and 7, depending on the requirements of OP and throughput, we can choose a suitable value of \( \alpha \) for the considered EH-FDR-V2V system. For example, in the case of \( \text{SNR} = 50 \) dB, we can choose the range of \( \alpha \) from 0.1 to 0.3 to get high OP performance and throughput.

5. Conclusions

Motivated by the big advantages of the EH technique, in this paper, we investigated the performance of the EH-FDR-V2V system under the impact of RSI due to the FD transmission mode over double Rayleigh fading channels. We successfully derived the closed-form expressions of the outage probability and throughput of the considered system. Based on these expressions, the system performance is investigated through various scenarios. Numerical results showed that the performance of the considered system is greatly reduced compared with that system over Rayleigh fading channels. With a certain value of the transmission power of source, there is an optimal EH time duration that minimizes the OP and maximizes the throughput. Therefore, based on the transmission power of source and the system requirements, we can choose a suitable EH time duration to get high OP performance and throughput. Furthermore, the RSI causes the outage floor in the considered system, especially in the case of high RSI. Thus, effective SIC techniques should be used when deploying the FD systems in practice.

Data Availability

The data used to support the findings of this study are available from the corresponding author upon request.

Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.

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