# Level Crossing Rate of the Ratio of Product of Two Nakagami-m Random Processes and Nakagami-m Random Process 

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#### Abstract

In this work, the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m random processes and Nakagami-m random process (RP) is analyzed. Statistical characteristics of ratio of product of two RPs and RP is applied in performance analysis of relay communication systems with two sections operating in multipath fading channel in the presence of co-channel interference. Here, multipath fading is with Nakagami-m distribution, and cochannel interference is exposed to the influence of Nakagami-m small scale fading. Level crossing rate (LCR) of defined ratio is obtained using some useful mathematical manipulations and formulas. The influence of fading parameters and signal powers on the LCR is assessed based on some plotted graphs. By selection of the channel parameters, the system performance could be improved and higher reliability of wireless links achieved, what is important for command information systems.


Key-Words: - Nakagami-m fading, co-channel interference, random process, level crossing rate, command information systems

## 1 Introduction

Reflections, refractions and deviations cause multipath fading [1]. When the dominant component is not present, signal envelope can have Nakagami-m distribution. Rayleigh random process (RP) and one sided Gaussian random process are special cases of Nakagami-m random process. For $m=1$, Nakagami- $m$ random process reduces to Rayleigh random process and for $m=1 / 2$, Nakagami$m$ random process reduces to one sided Gaussian random process [2], [3].

There are many works in technical literature considering the performance of wireless communication systems working over short term fading environment. Also, the consideration of the ratio and product of random processes is very important for wireless communication system in the presence of fading [4]-[14]. For such ratios and products, the first order system performance (the outage probability (OP), the bit error probability (BEP) and wireless communication system capacity) and second order system performance (level crossing rate (LCR) and average fade duration (AFD)) have been derived.

In [5], the expressions for the LCR and the AFD of the double Nakagami- $m$ random process are presented. The same authors carried out the second order statistical characteristics (LCR and AFD) of the amplify-and-forward multihop Rayleigh fading
channel in [6]. Because cascaded channel can be modelled as the product of $N$ fading amplitudes, they performed analytical expressions for the average LCR and the AFD of the product of $N$ Rayleigh fading envelopes (i.e. performance for socalled $N *$ Rayleigh channel).

The closed-form bounds for the performance of multihop transmissions with non-regenerative relays in Nakagami- $m$ fading channels are derived in [7]. The product of $N$ statistically independent, but not necessarily identically distributed, Nakagami-m random variables (RVs) is analyzed in [8]. This is convenient way to model cascaded Nakagami-m fading channels and analyzing their performance. In that paper, the first order system performance of the $N *$ Nakagami distribution are calculated in closed form using the Meijer's G function. Derivation of the probability density function (PDF) of products of Rayleigh and Nakagami-m RVs by using Mellin transform is shown in [9].

Further, statistical characteristics of the ratio and product of Rician random variables and its application in analysis of wireless communication systems are presented in [10]. PDF, OP and LCR are derived for the Rician fading environment. LCR of the ratio of product of two Rayleigh and one Nakagami-m RV and LCR of the ratio of Rayleigh and product of two Nakagami-m RVs are performed in [11], and LCR of the ratio of product of two $\mathrm{k}-\mu$

RVs and Nakagami-m RV is obtained in [12]. The LCR of the ratio of product of two RVs and one RV, with $\mathrm{k}-\mu$ and $\alpha-\mathrm{k}-\mu$ distributions, are derived in [13] and [14] respectively.

In this work, we will analyze the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m random processes and Nakagami-m random process (RP) and derive formula for the level crossing rate. We will consider the case where parameters of Nakagami-m fading envelopes are $m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$ for distributions in nominator, and $m_{3}$ in denominator. For $m_{1}=1$ and $m_{2}=1$, the LCR of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m RPs and Nakagami-m RP becomes the LCR of the ratio of product of two Rayleigh RPs and Nakagami- $m$ RP. For $m_{1}=1$ or $m_{2}=1$, the LCR of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m RPs and Nakagami-m RP reduces to the LCR of the ratio of product of Rayleigh RP and Nakagami-m RP, and Nakagami-m RP. For $m_{3}=1$, the LCR of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m RPs and Nakagami-m RP converts to the LCR of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m RPs and Rayleigh RP. Finally, for $m_{1}=m_{2}=m_{3}=1$, the performance of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m RPs and Nakagami-m RP turns into the performance of the ratio of product of two Rayleigh RPs and Rayleigh RP, what is shown in [4].

According to the author's knowledge, level crossing rate of the ratio of product of two Nakagami- $m$ random processes and Nakagami-m random process is not considered in the available literature.

## 2 LCR of the Ratio of Product of Two Nakagami-m Random Processes and Nakagami-m Random Process

Random variables $y_{1}, y_{2}$ and $y_{3}$ follow Nakagami-m distribution [15]:

$$
\begin{align*}
& p_{y_{1}}\left(y_{1}\right)=\frac{2}{\Gamma\left(m_{1}\right)}\left(\frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right)^{m_{1}} y_{1}^{2 m_{1}-1} e^{-\frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}} y_{1}^{2}}, y_{1} \geq 0,  \tag{1}\\
& p_{y_{2}}\left(y_{2}\right)=\frac{2}{\Gamma\left(m_{2}\right)}\left(\frac{m_{2}}{\Omega_{2}}\right)^{m_{2}} y_{2}^{2 m_{2}-1} e^{-\frac{m_{2}}{\Omega_{2}} y_{2}}, y_{2} \geq 0,  \tag{2}\\
& p_{y_{3}}\left(y_{3}\right)=\frac{2}{\Gamma\left(m_{3}\right)}\left(\frac{m_{3}}{\Omega_{3}}\right)^{m_{3}} y_{3}^{2 m_{3}-1} e^{-\frac{m_{3}}{\Omega_{3}} y_{3}^{2}}, y_{3} \geq 0, \tag{3}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\Omega_{\mathrm{i}}, \mathrm{i}=1,2,3$, are average powers of $y_{i}, m_{i}$ are fading severity parameters of $y_{i}$ and $\Gamma(\cdot)$ denotes the Gamma function.

Random variable $y$ is defined as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
y=\frac{y_{1} y_{2}}{y_{3}}, \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

and consequently:

$$
\begin{equation*}
y_{1}=\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

The first derivative of $y$ is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\dot{y}=\frac{\dot{y}_{1} y_{2}}{y_{3}}+\frac{y_{1} \dot{y}_{2}}{y_{3}}-\frac{y_{1} y_{2} \dot{y}_{3}}{y_{3}^{2}} . \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

The first derivative of Nakagami-m RP is Gaussian RP. Thus, $\dot{y}_{i}$ are Gaussian RPs. Linear transformation of Gaussian RPs is Gaussian RP. Therefore, $\dot{y}$ is a variable with Gaussian distribution. The mean value of $\dot{y}$ is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{\dot{y}}=\frac{\overline{\dot{y}_{1}} y_{2}}{y_{3}}+\frac{y_{1} \overline{\dot{y}_{2}}}{y_{3}}-\frac{y_{1} y_{2} \overline{\dot{y}_{3}}}{y_{3}^{2}}=0, \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

because it applies:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{\dot{y}_{1}}=\overline{\dot{y}_{2}}=\overline{\dot{y}_{3}}=0 . \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

The variance of $\dot{y}$ is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sigma_{\dot{y}}^{2}=\frac{y_{2}^{2}}{y_{3}^{2}} \sigma_{\dot{y}_{1}}^{2}+\frac{y_{1}^{2}}{y_{3}^{2}} \sigma_{\dot{y}_{2}^{2}}^{2}+\frac{y_{1}^{2} y_{2}^{2}}{y_{3}^{4}} \sigma_{\dot{y}_{3}^{2}}^{2} \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

where:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sigma_{\dot{y}_{1}}^{2}=\pi^{2} f_{m}^{2} \frac{\Omega_{1}}{m_{1}}  \tag{10}\\
& \sigma_{\dot{y}_{2}}^{2}=\pi^{2} f_{m}^{2} \frac{\Omega_{2}}{m_{2}}  \tag{11}\\
& \sigma_{\dot{y}_{3}}^{2}=\pi^{2} f_{m}^{2} \frac{\Omega_{3}}{m_{3}} . \tag{12}
\end{align*}
$$

Here, $f_{m}$ is maximal Doppler frequency.
After substituting (10)-(12) and (5) into (9), formula for the variance $\sigma_{\dot{y}}^{2}$ is calculated as:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sigma_{\dot{y}}^{2}=\pi^{2} f_{m}^{2}\left(\frac{y_{2}^{2}}{y_{3}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{1}}{m_{1}}+\frac{y_{1}^{2}}{y_{3}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{2}}{m_{2}}+\frac{y_{1}^{2} y_{2}^{2}}{y_{3}^{4}} \frac{\Omega_{3}}{m}\right)= \\
= & \pi^{2} f_{m}^{2} \frac{y_{2}^{2}}{y_{3}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{1}}{m_{1}}\left(1+\frac{y_{1}^{2}}{y_{2}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{2}}{m_{2}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}+\frac{y_{1}^{2}}{y_{3}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{3}}{m_{3}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right)= \\
= & \pi^{2} f_{m}^{2} \frac{y_{2}^{2}}{y_{3}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{1}}{m_{1}}\left(1+\frac{y^{2} y_{3}^{2}}{y_{2}^{4}} \frac{\Omega_{2}}{m_{2}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}+\frac{y^{2}}{y_{2}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{3}}{m_{3}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right) \tag{13}
\end{align*}
$$

The joint probability density function (JPDF) of $y, \dot{y}, y_{2}$ and $y_{3}$ is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
p_{y \dot{y} y_{2} y_{3}}\left(y \dot{y} y_{2} y_{3}\right)=p_{\dot{y}}\left(\dot{y} / y y_{2} y_{3}\right) p_{y y_{2} y_{3}}\left(y y_{2} y_{3}\right), \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

where:

$$
\begin{gather*}
p_{y y_{2} y_{3}}\left(y y_{2} y_{3}\right)=p_{y}\left(y / y_{2} y_{3}\right) p_{y_{2} y_{3}}\left(y_{2} y_{3}\right)= \\
=p_{y}\left(y / y_{2} y_{3}\right) p_{y_{2}}\left(y_{2}\right) p_{y_{3}}\left(y_{3}\right),  \tag{15}\\
p_{y}\left(y / y_{2} y_{3}\right)=\left|\frac{d y_{1}}{d y}\right| p_{y_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right), \tag{16}
\end{gather*}
$$

and:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{d y_{1}}{d y}=\frac{y_{2}}{y_{3}} . \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now, we obtain the JPDF of $y$ and $\dot{y}$ as:

$$
\begin{align*}
& p_{y \dot{y}}(y \dot{y})=\int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{2} d y_{3} p_{y \dot{y} 2 y_{3}}\left(y \dot{y} y_{2} y_{3}\right)= \\
& =\int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{3} p_{\dot{y}}\left(\dot{y} / y y_{2} y_{3}\right) . \\
& \quad \frac{y_{2}}{y_{3}} p_{y_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right) p_{y_{2}}\left(y_{2}\right) p_{y_{3}}\left(y_{3}\right) . \tag{18}
\end{align*}
$$

The level crossing rate is average value of the first derivative of random process and defined by [16], [17, eq. (5.80)]:

$$
\begin{equation*}
N_{y}=\int_{0}^{\infty} d \dot{y} \dot{y} p_{y \dot{y}}(y \dot{y}) \tag{19}
\end{equation*}
$$

By inserting the corresponding formulas into the subintegral function of the upper integral, we have LCR of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m RPs and Nakagami-m RP, $N_{y}$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
N_{y}=\int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{3} \int_{0}^{\infty} d \dot{y} \dot{y} p_{\dot{y}}\left(\dot{y} / y y_{2} y_{3}\right) . \\
\cdot \frac{y_{2}}{y_{3}} p_{y_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right) p_{y_{2}}\left(y_{2}\right) p_{y_{3}}\left(y_{3}\right)= \\
=\int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{3} \frac{y_{2}}{y_{3}} p_{y_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right) p_{y_{2}}\left(y_{2}\right) p_{y_{3}}\left(y_{3}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \sigma_{\dot{y}}= \\
=\int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \pi f_{m} . \\
\cdot \frac{y_{2}}{y_{3}} \frac{2}{\Gamma\left(m_{1}\right)}\left(\frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right)^{m_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right)^{2 m_{1}-1} e^{-\frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right)^{2}} .
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{gather*}
\cdot \frac{2}{\Gamma\left(m_{2}\right)}\left(\frac{m_{2}}{\Omega_{2}}\right)^{m_{2}} y_{2}^{2 m_{2}-1} e^{-\frac{m_{2}}{\Omega_{2}} y_{2}^{2}} \cdot \\
\cdot \frac{2}{\Gamma\left(m_{3}\right)}\left(\frac{m_{3}}{\Omega_{3}}\right)^{m_{3}} y_{3}^{2 m_{3}-1} e^{-\frac{m_{3}}{\Omega_{3}} y_{3}^{2}} \\
\cdot \frac{y_{2}}{y_{3}} \frac{\Omega_{1}^{1 / 2}}{m_{1}^{1 / 2}}\left(1+\frac{y^{2} y_{3}^{2}}{y_{2}^{4}} \frac{\Omega_{2}}{m_{2}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}+\frac{y^{2}}{y_{2}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{3}}{m_{3}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right)^{1 / 2}= \\
=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi}} \pi f_{m} \frac{\Omega_{1}^{1 / 2}}{m_{1}^{1 / 2}} \frac{8}{\Gamma\left(m_{1}\right) \Gamma\left(m_{2}\right) \Gamma\left(m_{3}\right)} . \\
\cdot\left(\frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right)^{m_{1}}\left(\frac{m_{2}}{\Omega_{2}}\right)^{m_{2}}\left(\frac{m_{3}}{\Omega_{3}}\right)^{m_{3}} \cdot y^{2 m_{1}-1} \cdot \\
\int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{3} y_{2}^{-2 m_{1}+2 m_{2}+2} y_{3}^{2 m_{1}+2 m_{3}-4} \cdot \\
e^{-\frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right)^{2}-\frac{m_{2}}{\Omega_{2}} y_{2}^{2}-\frac{m_{3}}{\Omega_{3}} y_{3}^{2}}\left(1+\frac{y^{2} y_{3}^{2}}{y_{2}^{4}} \frac{\Omega_{2}}{m_{2}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}+\frac{y^{2}}{y_{2}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{3}}{m_{3}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right)^{1 / 2} . \tag{20}
\end{gather*}
$$

For solving the two-fold integral in (20), the Laplace approximation formula can be applied. The solution is defined using the [18], [19]:

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} d y_{3} g\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right) e^{\lambda f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}= \\
=\frac{\pi}{\lambda} \frac{g\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}{B\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)} e^{\lambda f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)} \tag{21}
\end{array}
$$

where $y_{20}$ and $y_{30}$ are solutions of the equations:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}{\partial y_{20}}=0, \quad \frac{\partial f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}{\partial y_{30}}=0 \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

The matrix $B$ is in the shape:

$$
B\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)=\left|\begin{array}{ll}
\frac{\partial^{2} f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}{\partial y_{20}^{2}} & \frac{\partial^{2} f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}{\partial y_{20} \partial y_{30}}  \tag{23}\\
\frac{\partial^{2} f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}{\partial y_{20} \partial y_{30}} & \frac{\partial^{2} f\left(y_{20}, y_{30}\right)}{\partial y_{30}^{2}}
\end{array}\right|
$$

For two-fold integral from (20), it is:

$$
\begin{align*}
& g\left(y_{2}, y_{3}\right)=y_{2}^{-2 m_{1}+2 m_{2}+2} y_{3}^{2 m_{1}+2 m_{3}-4} \\
& \left(1+\frac{y^{2} y_{3}^{2}}{y_{2}^{4}} \frac{\Omega_{2}}{m_{2}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}+\frac{y^{2}}{y_{2}^{2}} \frac{\Omega_{3}}{m_{3}} \frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\right)^{1 / 2} \tag{24}
\end{align*}
$$

$$
\begin{equation*}
f\left(y_{2}, y_{3}\right)=-\frac{m_{1}}{\Omega_{1}}\left(\frac{y y_{3}}{y_{2}}\right)^{2}-\frac{m_{2}}{\Omega_{2}} y_{2}^{2}-\frac{m_{3}}{\Omega_{3}} y_{3}^{2} . \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$

LCR of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m random processes and Nakagami-m random process will be finalized by putting obtaining solutions of these equations into (20).

## 3 Graphics and Analysis of Results

In this work, the level crossing rate of the ratio of product of two Nakagami- $m$ random processes and Nakagami- $m$ random process is determined and presented in the next two plots.

It is possible to see from Fig. 1 that LCR increases for lower values of the resulting signal envelope and decreases for higher values of the resulting signal envelope. The influence of the signal envelope on the LCR is bigger for smaller values of this envelope.

LCR grows slower with the increase of average powers $\Omega_{i}$. For smaller average powers of resulting signal envelope, LCR achieves maximum, and then start to decline.


Fig.1. LCR of ratio of product of two Nakagami-m random processes and Nakagami-m random process


Fig.2. LCR of ratio of product of two Nakagami-m RPs and Nakagami-m RP for new set of parameters

Fig. 2 shows that LCR decreases as parameters $m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$ increase, and LCR increases when parameter $m_{3}$ decreases. The influence of parameters $m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$ on the LCR is higher for higher values of parameter $m_{3}$.

Also, the impact of parameter $m_{3}$ on the LCR is higher for lower values of parameter $m_{3}$ and higher values of the resulting signal envelope. The influence of resulting signal envelope on the LCR is bigger for lower values of Nakagami-m fading severity parameters $m_{1}$ and $m_{2}$, and for higher values of parameter $m_{3}$.

## 4 Conclusion

Here, the level crossing rate of the ratio of product of two Nakagami-m random processes and Nakagami- $m$ random process is calculated. This result can be used for evaluation the average fade duration of wireless relay communication system with two sections operating over Nakagami-m short term fading channel, where co-channel interference is present at one section.

The average fade duration is defined as the ratio of outage probability and level crossing rate. Outage probability is defined as probability that signal envelope is lower than threshold [20]. Derived expression for LCR can be used for evaluation of the LCR of the ratio of product of two Rayleigh random processes and Rayleigh process. Also, from this formula, for special values of Nakagami-m fading severity parameter $m$, LCR of the ratio of product of Rayleigh and Nakagami-m random processes and Rayleigh or Nakagami-m process can be obtained.

The selection of the channel parameters and signal powers, done here based on the observed system performance, can seriously improved reliability of wireless links. This is also very important for command information systems.

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