

Sine-based EB-ESPRIT for source localization

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Direction-of-arrival estimation
using spherical microphone array

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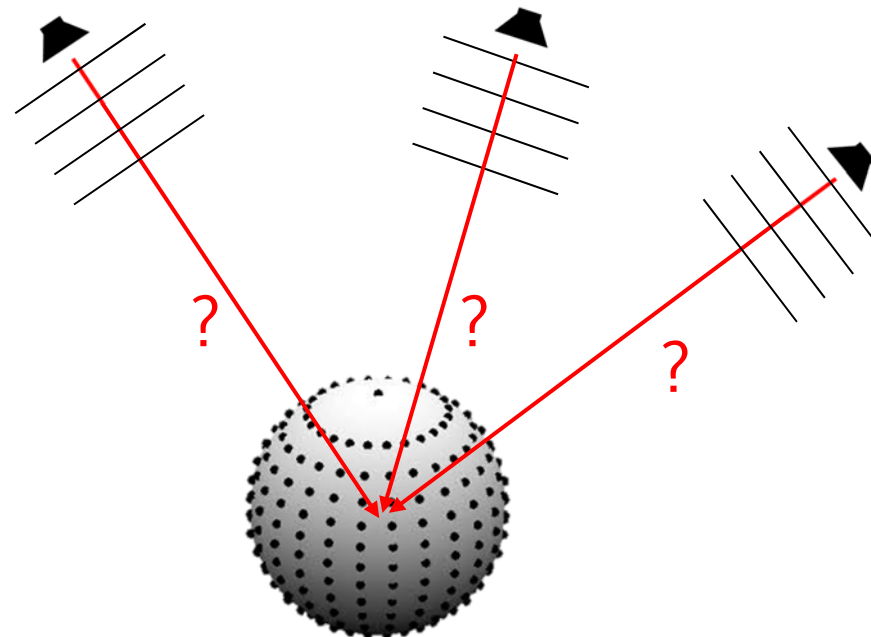
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▶ Direction-of-Arrival (DOA) estimation

- Measurement pressure data → incoming directions of sources

▶ Spherical microphone array

- Measure 3-D sound field
- Processing in spherical harmonic domain



Spherical microphone array

▶ Subspace-based method

- Using orthogonality between signal and noise subspaces
- ESPRIT: Parametric estimation (without grid-search)

▶ EB-ESPRIT (Eigenbeam – Estimation of Signal Parameters via Rotational Invariance Techniques)

- Processing in spherical harmonic domain
- Using a recurrence relation of spherical harmonics

▶ Practical problem

- Singularity of tangent function
(directional parameter of EB-ESPRIT)

Objective: solve the practical problem of EB-ESPRIT

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in spherical harmonic domain

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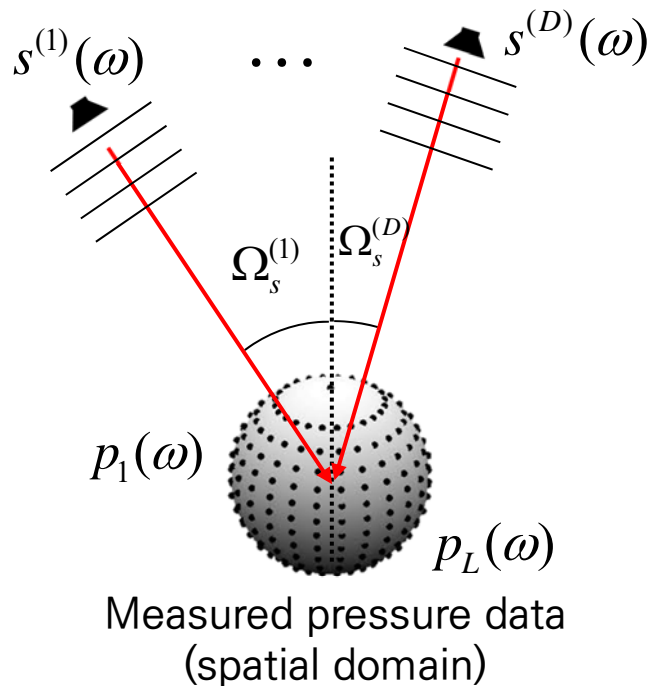
► Spherical Fourier transform (SFT)

Harmonic coefficients

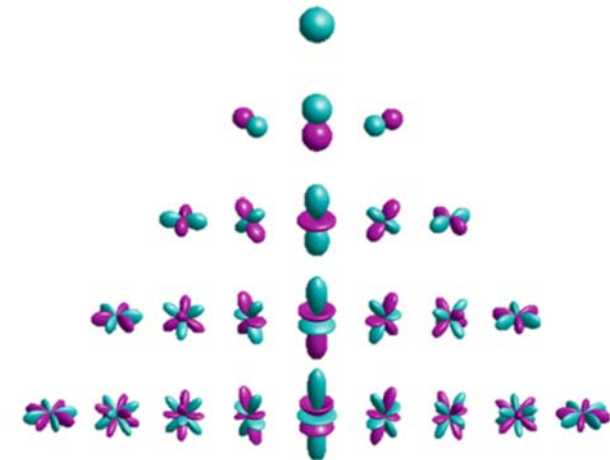
$$p_{nm} = \int_{4\pi} p(\Omega) Y_n^m(\Omega)^* d\Omega$$

Sound field from D sources

$$p(\Omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-n}^n \sum_{d=1}^D \underbrace{b_n(kr_0)}_{\text{Radial dependency}} \underbrace{Y_n^m(\Omega_s^{(d)})^* s^{(d)}}_{p_{nm}} Y_n^m(\Omega) \quad \text{Spherical harmonics (basis function)}$$



$$Y_n^m(\theta, \phi) = \sqrt{\frac{2n+1}{4\pi} \frac{(n-m)!}{(n+m)!}} P_n^m(\cos \theta) e^{im\phi}$$



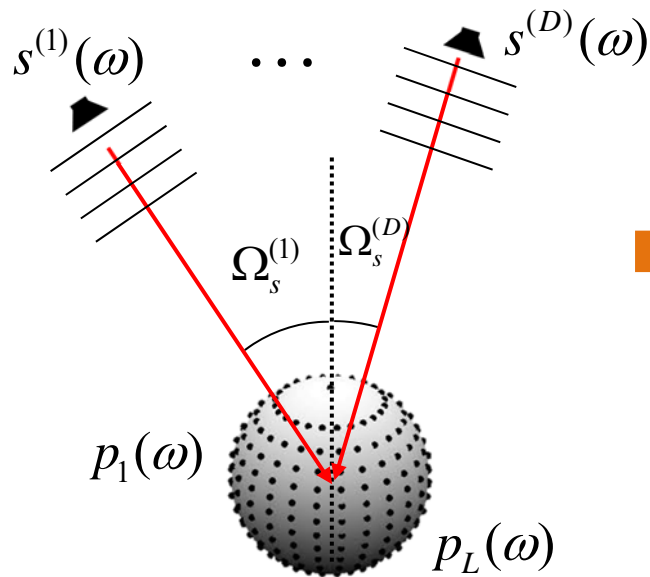
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Spherical harmonics

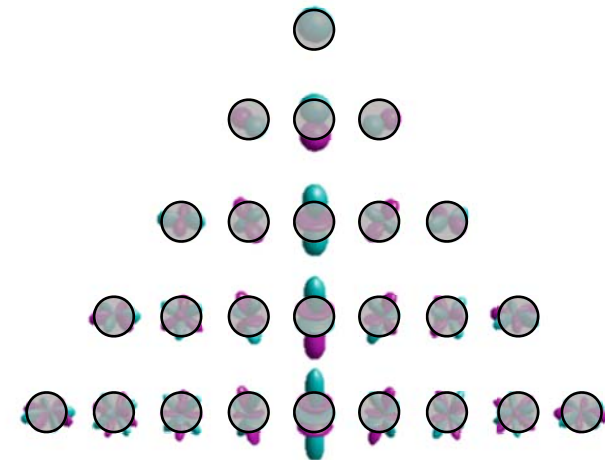
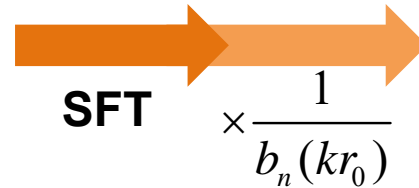
$$p_\ell(\Omega) = \sum_{d=1}^D p_\ell^{(d)}(\Omega) \xrightarrow[\times \frac{1}{b_n(kr_0)}]{\text{SFT}} a_{nm} = \sum_{d=1}^D Y_n^m(\Omega_s^{(d)})^* s^{(d)}$$

Vector form: \mathbf{p}

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{s}$$



Measured pressure data
(spatial domain)



Directional harmonic
coefficients
(spherical harmonic domain)

Signal processing in spherical harmonic domain

$$\mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p_1(\omega) \\ \vdots \\ p_L(\omega) \\ \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

1. Space domain



$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{s} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{0,0}(k) \\ a_{1,-1}(k) \\ \vdots \\ a_{N,N}(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Spherical harmonic domain



$$\mathbf{R} = E[\mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^H]$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{J} \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathbf{a}^{(j)} \mathbf{a}^{(j)H})$$

J : number of observations

3. Construction of covariance matrix
(*: complex conjugate)

4. Eigenvalue Decomposition

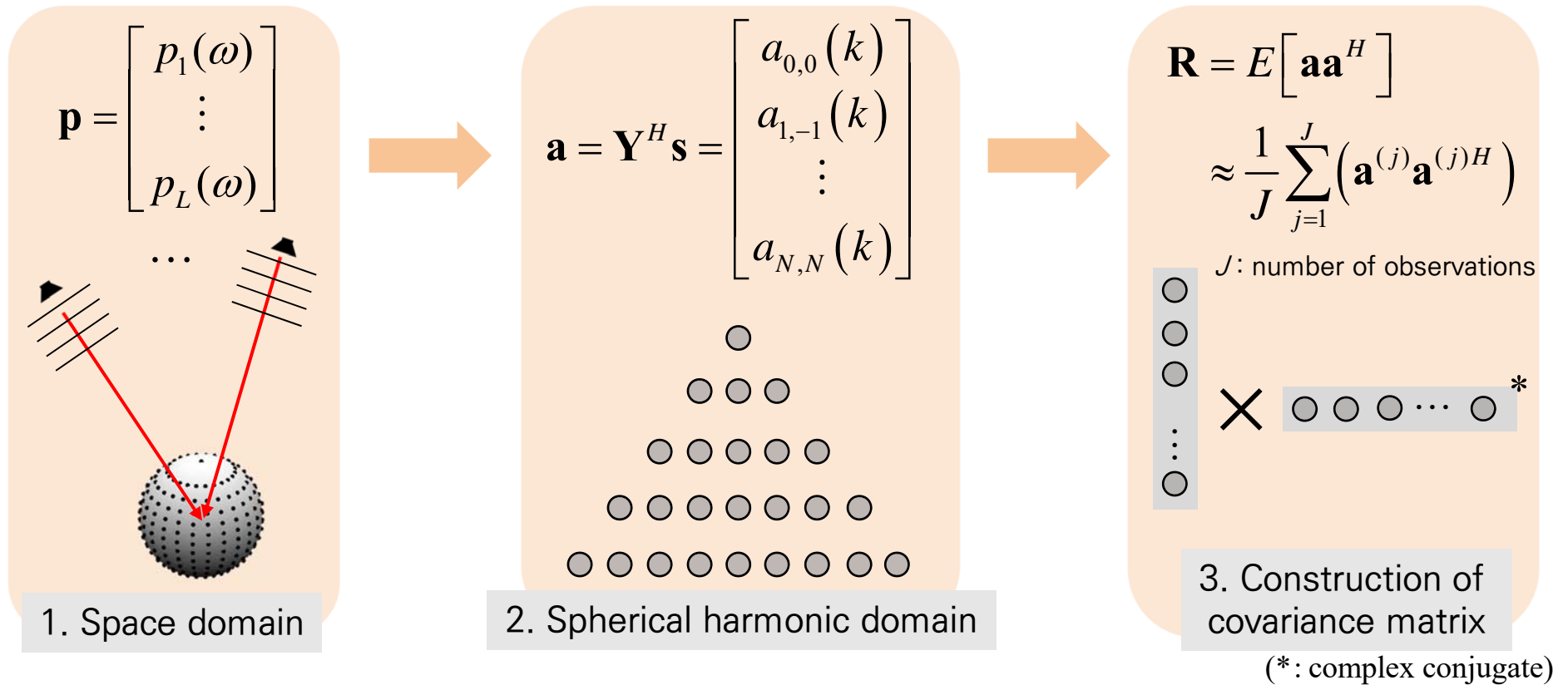
$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{U}^H$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{U}} & \mathbf{U}_n \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Sigma} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{U}} & \mathbf{U}_n \end{bmatrix}^H$$

Corresponding eigenvectors

D largest eigenvalues

Signal processing in spherical harmonic domain



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Utilize the sub-matrix $\hat{\mathbf{U}}$ spanning signal subspace for EB-ESPRIT

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Singularity problem
of EB-ESPRIT

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► Recurrence relation of spherical harmonics

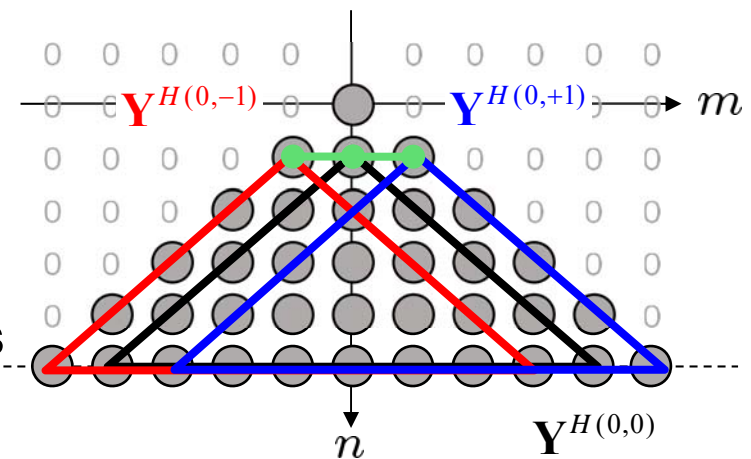
$$2mY_n^m(\Omega)^* + \Lambda^+ Y_n^{m+1}(\Omega)^* \tan \theta e^{i\phi} + \Lambda^- Y_n^{m-1}(\Omega)^* \tan \theta e^{-i\phi} = 0$$

where $\Lambda^\pm = \sqrt{(n \mp m)(n \pm m + 1)}$

- Matrix form

$$2\mathbf{M}\mathbf{Y}^{H(0,0)} + \Lambda^+ \mathbf{Y}^{(0,+1)H} \mathbf{\Phi} + \Lambda^- \mathbf{Y}^{(0,-1)H} \mathbf{\Phi}^* = 0$$

DOA information (unknown)
 → What we want to know!



► Relationship between signal subspaces and the directional coefficients

- Measurable data: $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{s}$

$$\mathbf{R} = E[\mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^H] = \mathbf{Y}^H E[\mathbf{s}\mathbf{s}^H] \mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{U}} & \mathbf{U}_n \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Sigma} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{U}} & \mathbf{U}_n \end{bmatrix}^H$$

$$span\{\hat{\mathbf{U}}\} = span\{\mathbf{Y}^H\}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{U}} = \mathbf{Y}^H \mathbf{T} \quad \mathbf{T}: \text{transformation matrix}$$

Recurrence relation for \mathbf{Y}^H

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Recurrence relation for $\hat{\mathbf{U}}$

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Relationship between Ψ and Φ

$$\Psi = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \Phi \mathbf{T}$$

Solve the equation for Ψ

Matrix containing DOA information

$$\Phi$$

Eigen value decomposition of matrix Ψ

$$\hat{\theta}_s^{(d)} = \tan^{-1} \left| \Phi_s^{(d)} \right|, \quad \hat{\phi}_s^{(d)} = \angle \Phi_s^{(d)}$$

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EB-ESPRIT: DOA estimation in a parametric manner

► Directional parameter for elevation: tangent function (singularity)

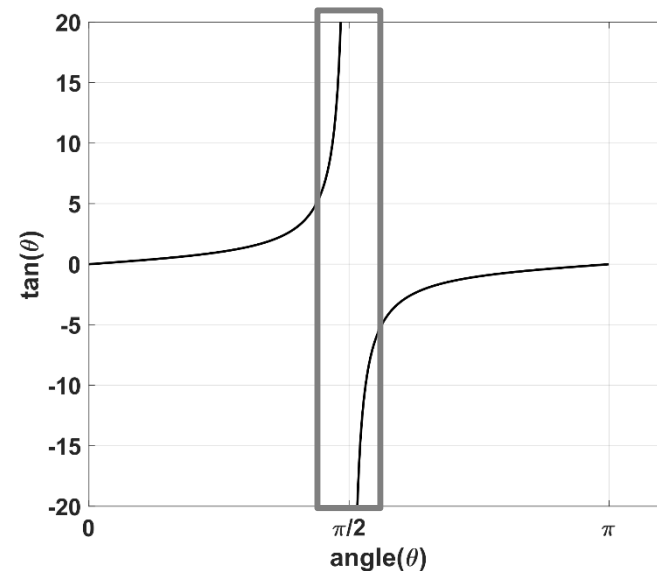
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 Φ_s
 Φ_s^*

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(|\Phi_s|)$$

► Singularity problem

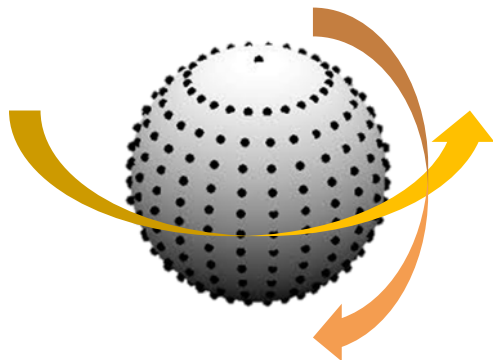
- Singularity of tangent function near $\theta \cong \pi/2$
- Cannot estimate the DOAs when the sources near the equator



How do we overcome the singularity problem?

▶ [Sun *et al*, ICASSP 2011]

- Rotation of the reference coordinate when the robustness measure is bad



→ Additional computations!

▶ [Huang *et al*, IEEE T-ASLP 2017]

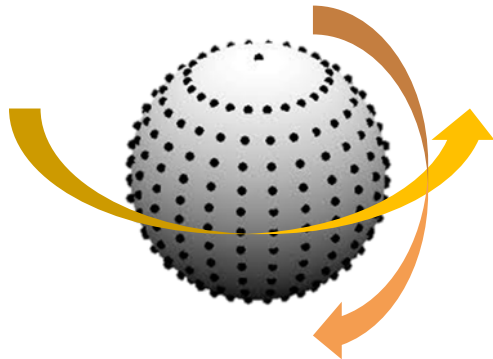
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unitary spherical ESPRIT (U-SHESPRIT) → θ (cosine function)
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How do we overcome the singularity problem without artifacts?

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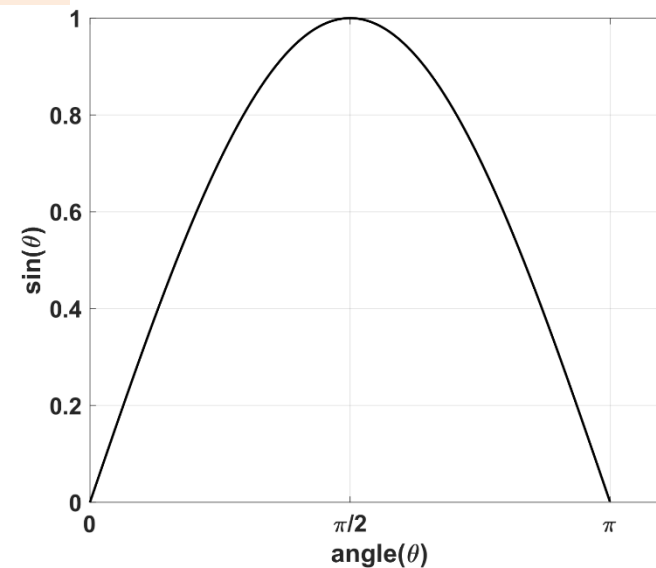
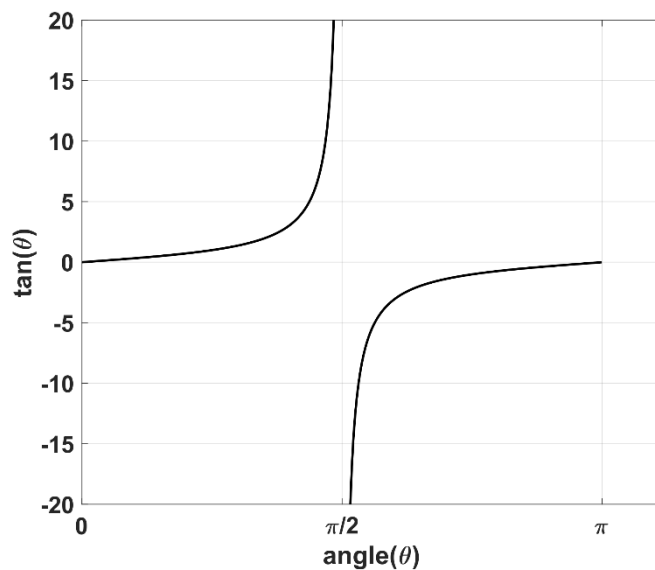
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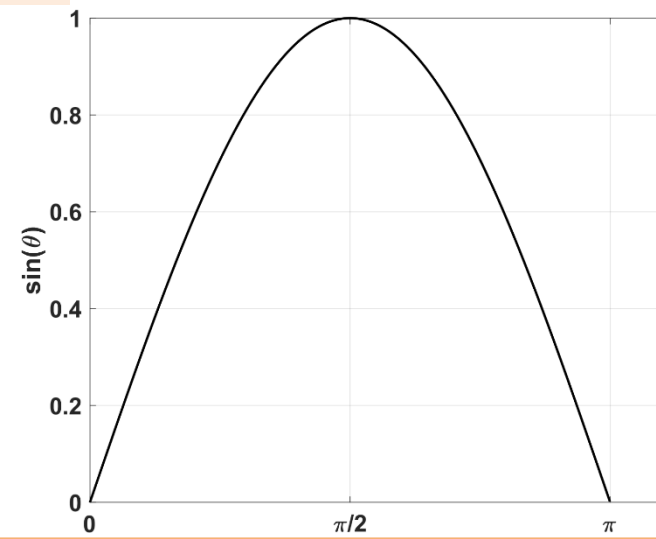
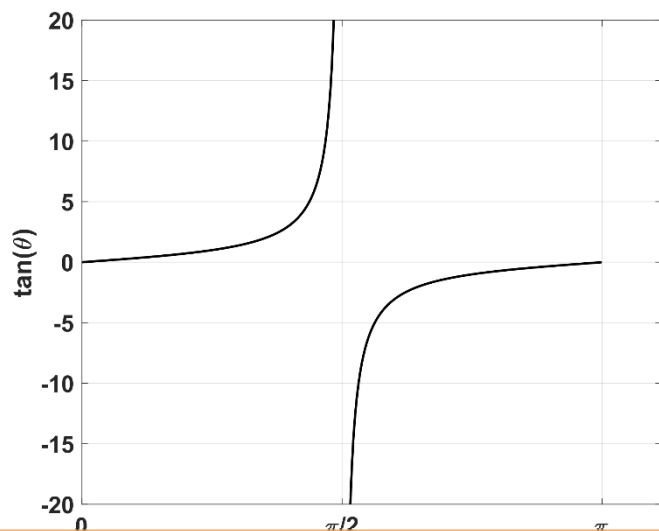
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Overcome the singularity of EB-ESPRIT

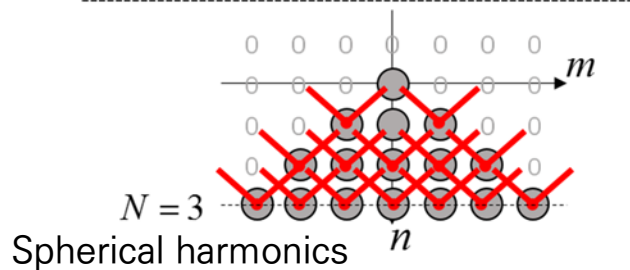
▶ Two types of recurrence relations of spherical harmonics

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- Type 1

of independent equations:

$$(N+1)^2 - 2 = 14$$



$$|m| \leq n \leq N,$$

except $(n = m = 0)$ and $(n = 1, m = 0)$

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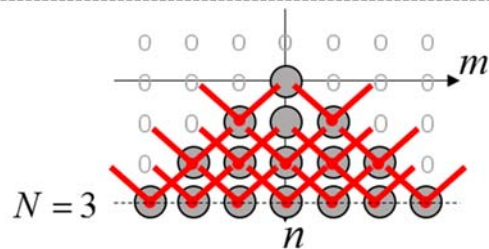
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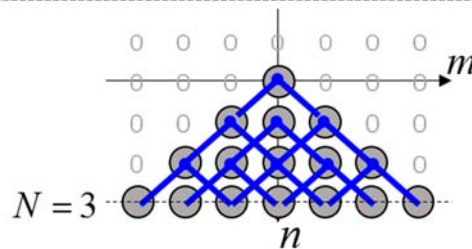
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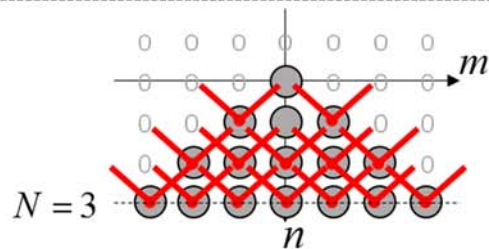
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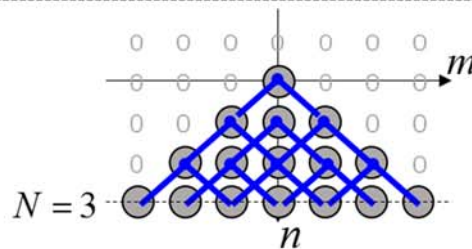
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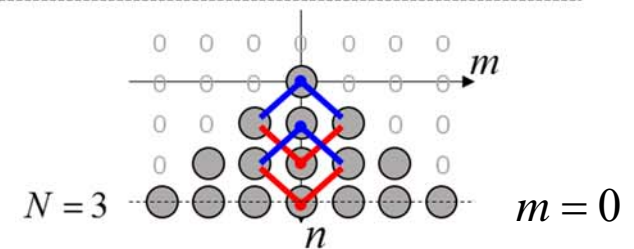
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- Redundant case

of dependent equations

$$: N - 1 = 2$$



Total number of independent equations:

$$\underline{2N^2 + N = 14 + 9 - 2 = 21}$$

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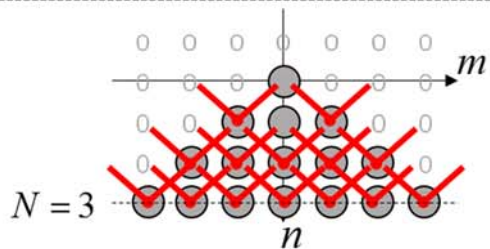
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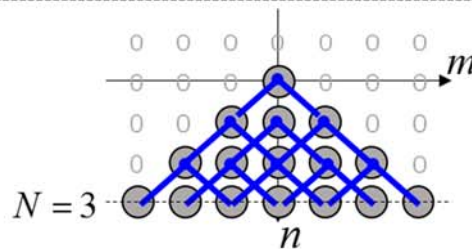
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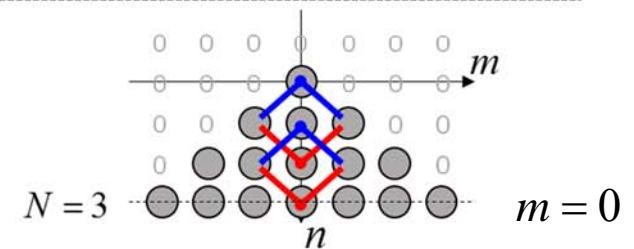
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Total number of independent equations:

of independent equations \rightarrow # of detectable sources

► Procedure of DOA estimation

Recurrence relation

$$2mY_n^m(\Omega_s)^* + w_{nm}^+ Y_{n-1}^{m+1}(\Omega_s)^* \sin \theta_s e^{i\phi_s} + w_{nm}^- Y_{n-1}^{m-1}(\Omega_s)^* \sin \theta_s e^{-i\phi_s} = 0$$

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Matrix form

Recurrence relation for \mathbf{Y}^H

$$2\mathbf{M}\mathbf{Y}^{H(0,0)} + \mathbf{W}^+\mathbf{Y}^{H(-1,1)}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\sin} + \mathbf{W}^-\mathbf{Y}^{H(-1,-1)}\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{\sin}^* = 0$$

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$\times \mathbf{T}$

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Least squared solution

$$\underline{\Psi}_{\sin} = -2 \mathbf{E}^\dagger \underline{\mathbf{M}} \underline{\mathbf{U}}$$

Solve the equation for $\underline{\Psi}_{\sin}$

Relationship between $\underline{\Psi}_{\sin}$ and Φ_{\sin}

$$\underline{\Psi}_{\sin} = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \Phi_{\sin} \mathbf{T} \quad \text{Eigen value decomposition of matrix } \underline{\Psi}_{\sin}$$

Matrix containing DOA information Φ_{\sin}

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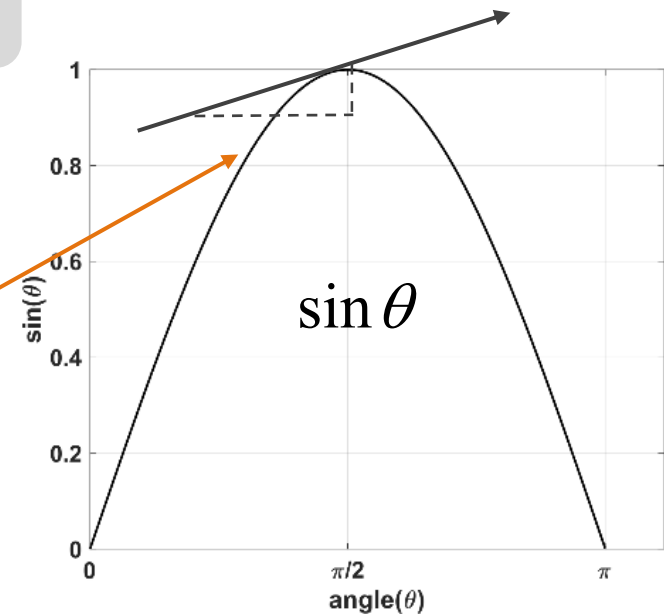
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Procedure of sine-based EB-ESPRIT

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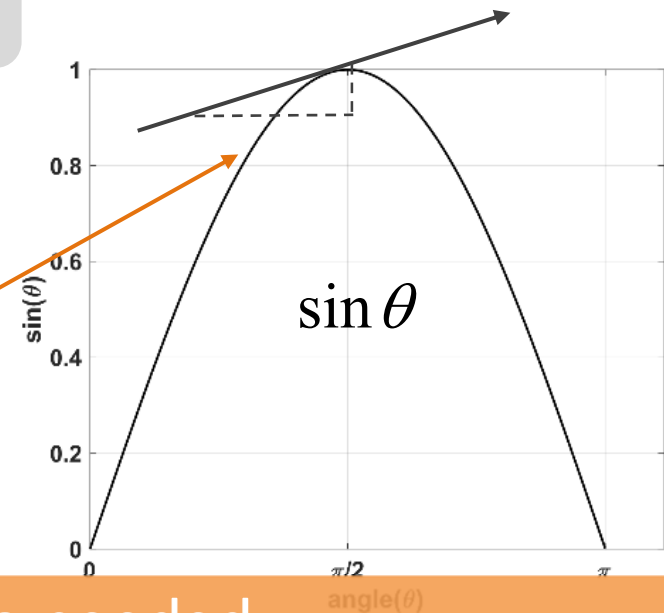
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Performance validation is needed

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▶ Simulation configuration

- Number of microphones : 32
spherical t-design sampling, radius of sphere = 7.5 cm
- Maximum harmonics order: $N = 3$
- Target frequency: 1,456 Hz ($kr = 2$)
- Self-microphone noise (incoherent to signal)
- Compute covariance matrix: averaging 300 independent snapshots

▶ Error measure of DOA estimation

- Estimation error

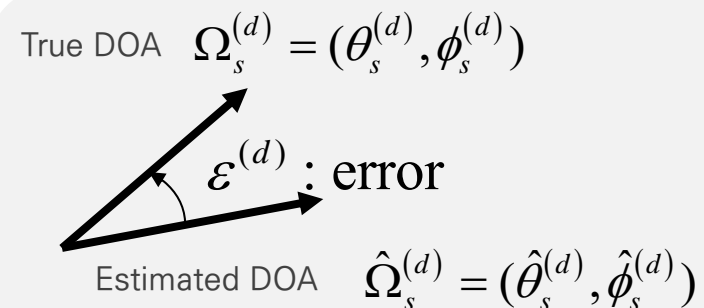
$$\varepsilon^{(d)} = \left| \Omega_s^{(d)} - \hat{\Omega}_s^{(d)} \right|, \quad \Delta\theta^{(d)} = \left| \theta_s^{(d)} - \hat{\theta}_s^{(d)} \right|, \quad \Delta\phi^{(d)} = \left| \phi_s^{(d)} - \hat{\phi}_s^{(d)} \right|$$

- Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR)

$$\text{SNR (dB)} = 10\log_{10} \left(D\sigma_s^2 / L\sigma_n^2 \right),$$

σ_s^2, σ_n^2 : power of signals and noises

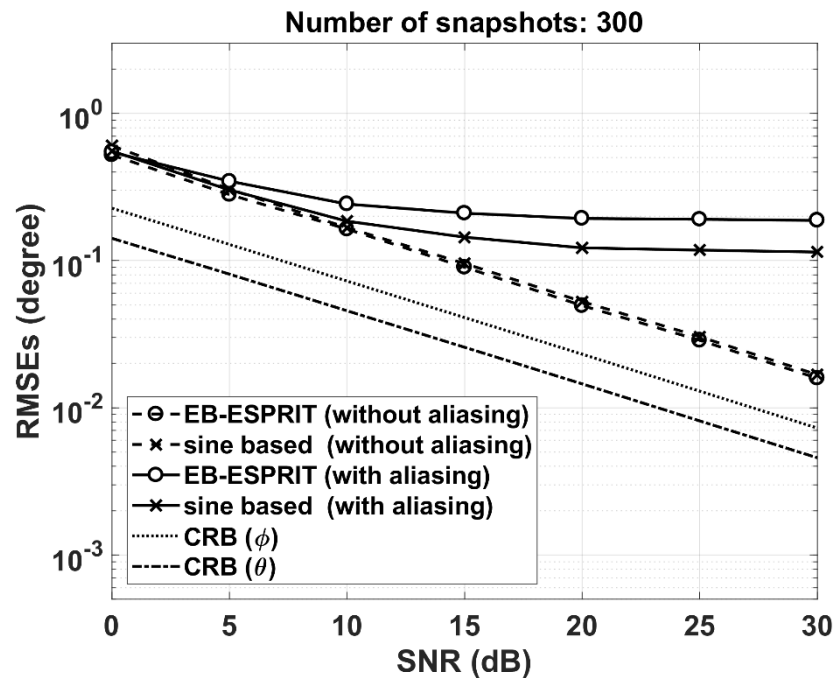
- Number of detectable sources



► Validation for two incoherent sources

$$(\theta_s^{(1)}, \phi_s^{(1)}) = (20^\circ, 45^\circ), (\theta_s^{(2)}, \phi_s^{(2)}) = (46^\circ, 68^\circ)$$

$$\text{RMSE} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{JD} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{d=1}^D |\varepsilon_j^{(d)}|^2}, J = 400 \text{ independent trials}$$



Single source simulation
Without spatial aliasing

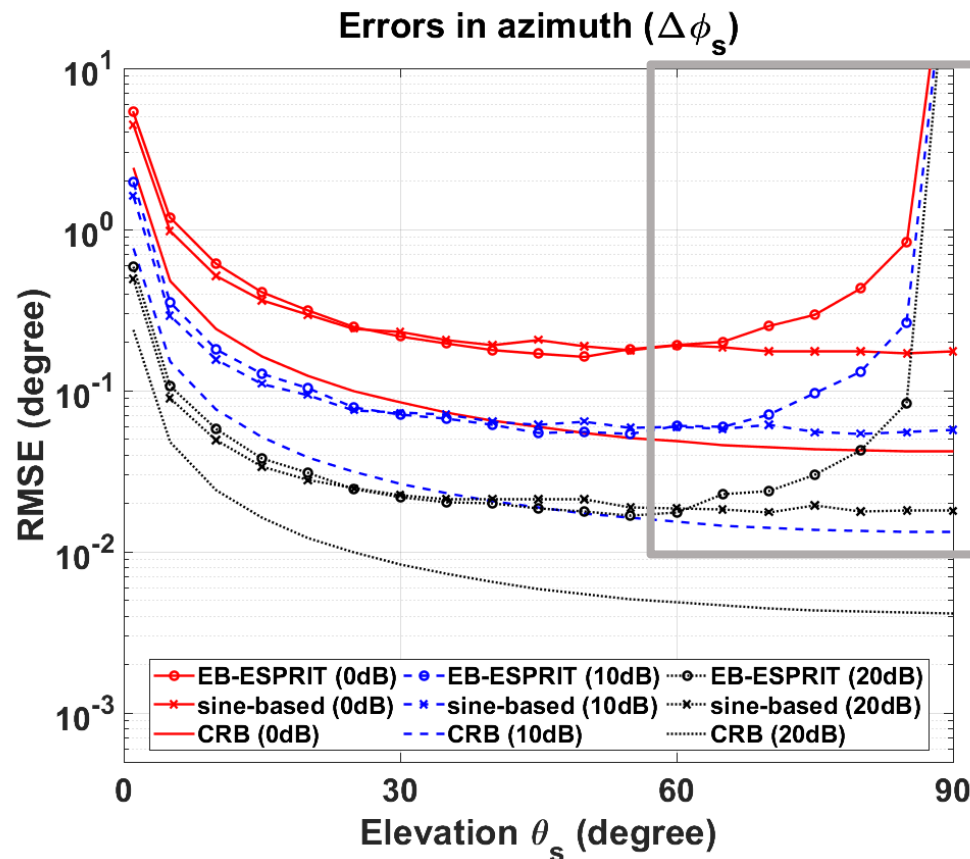
Estimation performance is comparable to EB-ESPRIT

- ▶ **Single source:** $\phi_s = 60^\circ$, $0^\circ \leq \theta_s \leq 90^\circ$

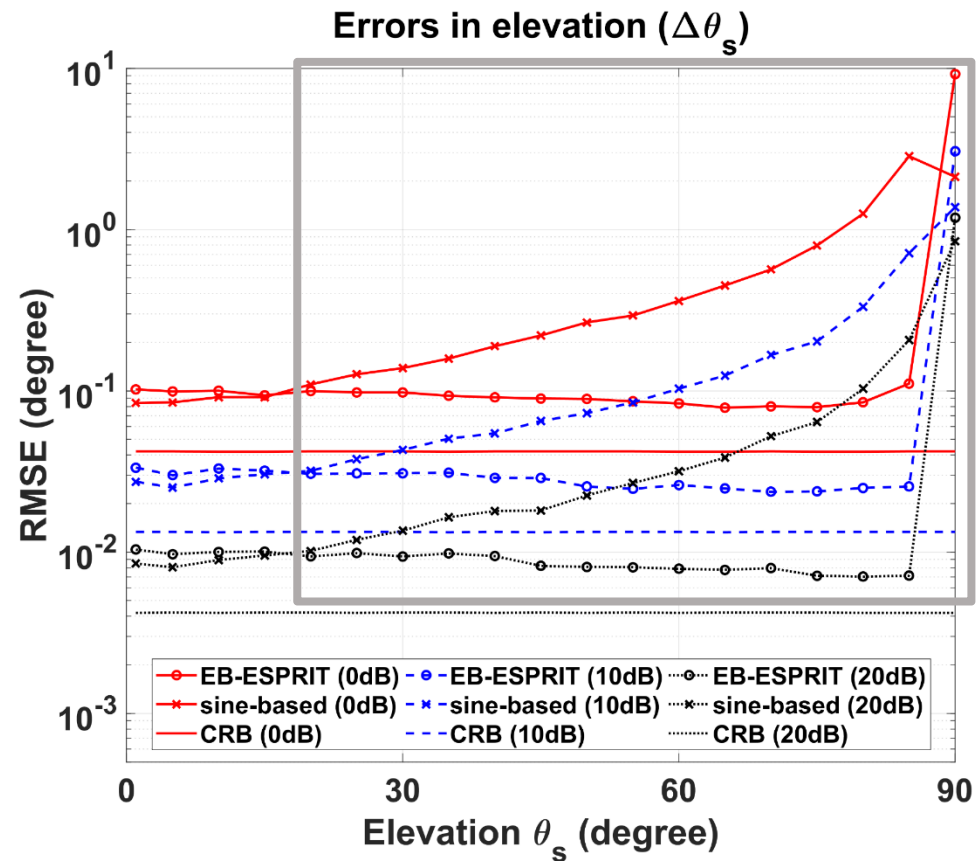
$$\text{RMSE}(\theta) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{JD} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{d=1}^D |\Delta\theta^{(d)}|^2}$$

$$\text{RMSE}(\phi) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{JD} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{d=1}^D |\Delta\phi^{(d)}|^2}, J = 400 \text{ independent trials}$$

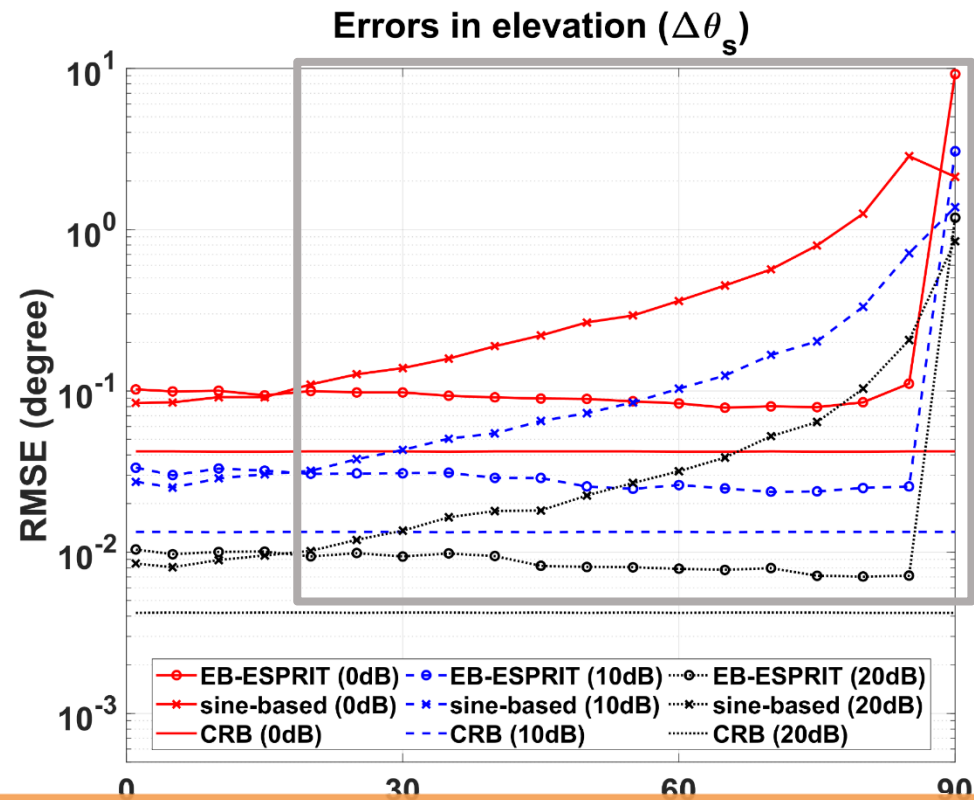
- ▶ **Validate the proposed method by comparing the RMSEs with various elevation angles and SNRs**



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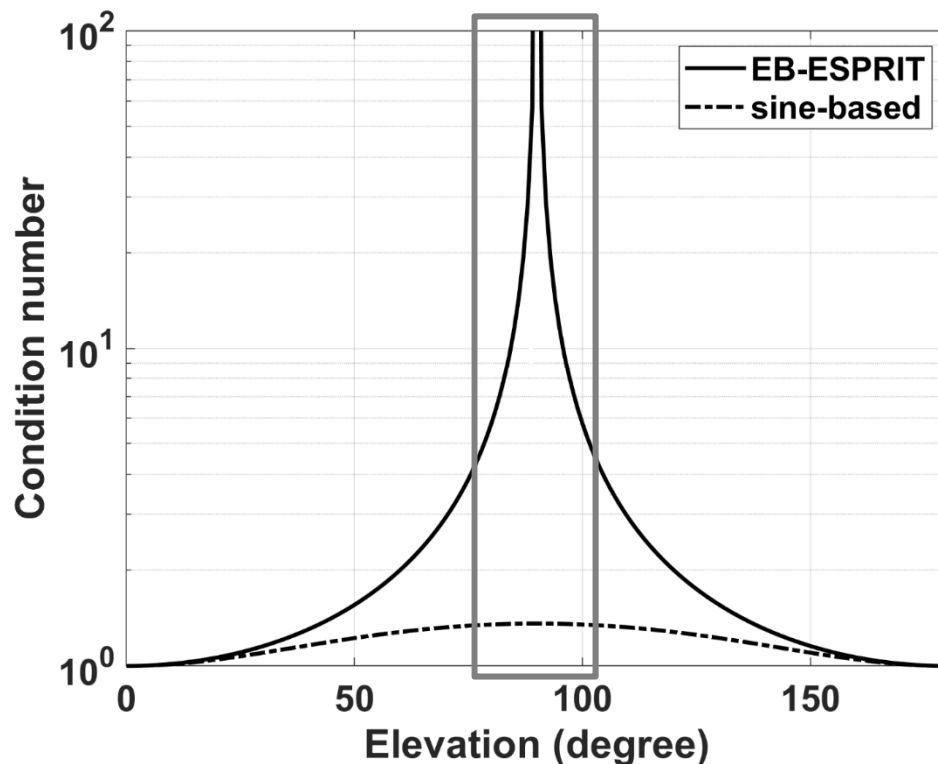


Despite performance degradation in elevation, a reasonable performance with error under 2°

▶ Robustness measure: 2-norm condition number

$$\underline{\Psi} = -2\mathbf{E}^\dagger \underline{\mathbf{M}} \underline{\mathbf{U}}$$

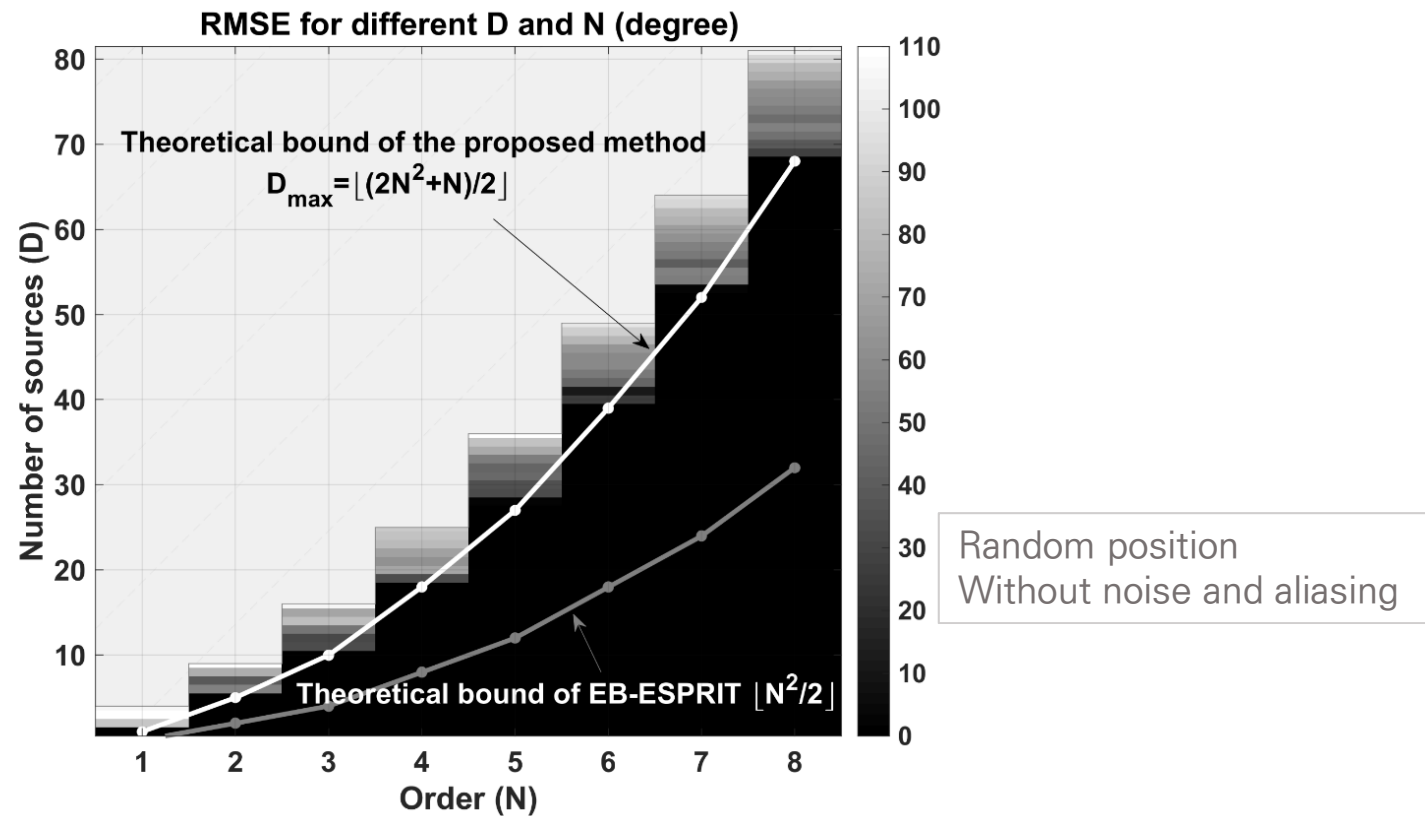
$$CN_2(\mathbf{E}) = \|\mathbf{E}\|_2 \cdot \|(\mathbf{E}^H \mathbf{E})^{-1} \mathbf{E}^H\|_2$$



- ✓ Single source simulation
- ✓ Without self-microphone noise
- ✓ condition number with different source elevation angles

Overcome the singularity problem

- ▶ RMSE variations with respect to the number of sources (D) and maximum order (N)



- ▶ Number of detectable sources

$$D_{\max}(\text{Proposed}) = \lfloor N^2 + N/2 \rfloor > D_{\max}(\text{EB-ESRPIT}) = \lfloor N^2/2 \rfloor$$

- ▶ **Sine-based EB-ESPRIT utilizes two recurrence relations of spherical harmonics which has sine-based directional parameters**
 - Can estimate the DOAs near the equator without singularity
 - No need for additional coordinate rotation
 - Can estimate elevation and azimuth at once

- ▶ **More number of detectable sources than conventional EB-ESPRIT**
 - Increase of the number of independent equations
→ can estimate more number of sources simultaneously

- ▶ **Limitation**
 - Performance degradation in elevation near the equator due to the slow rate of change of sine function

Thank you

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