



Complex Interval Arithmetic for ultrasound imaging

Surveying subsea cables and pipelines with non-ideal sonar

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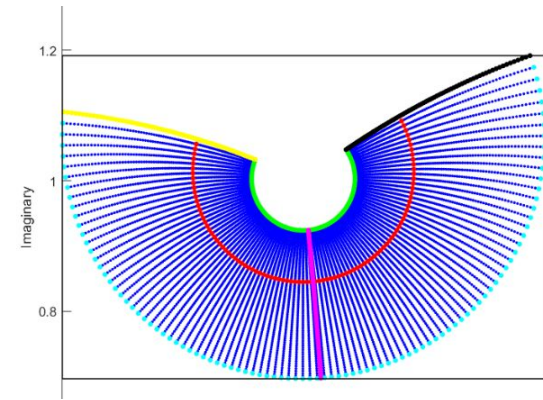


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Introduction

Part of summer project



Study of a tool for the worst-case analysis of non-ideal sonars

Sensitivity of adaptive array signal processing to calibration errors

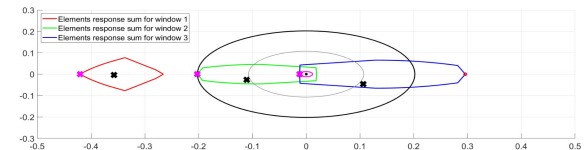
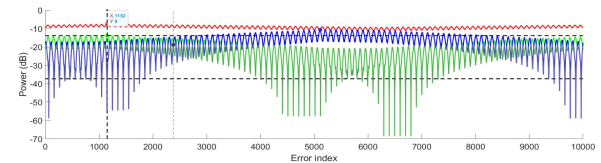




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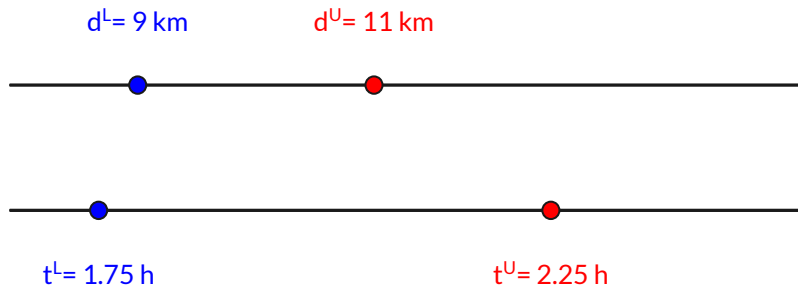
Complex Interval Arithmetic

How to reason with uncertainty

- Real Interval Arithmetic
- Complex Interval Arithmetic
- Interval extensions of functions
- Dependency problem
- MATLAB Toolbox

Real interval arithmetic

- Compute with intervals instead of numbers
- Representation of uncertainty, and worst-case scenario, without needing statistics
- Simple on the real line : only one way to define it (connected closed sets)



Example :

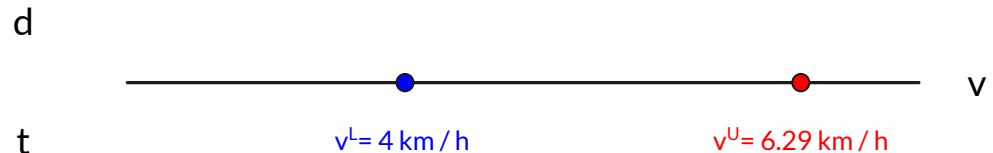
Traveled ≈ 10 km in ≈ 2 hours \rightarrow Speed ≈ 5 km/h

With intervals :

Distance : $d^I = [d^L, d^U] = [9, 11]$ km

Time : $t^I = [t^L, t^U] = [1.75, 2.25]$ h

Speed : $v^I = d^I / t^I = [d^L/t^U, d^U/t^L] = [4, 6.29]$ km/h





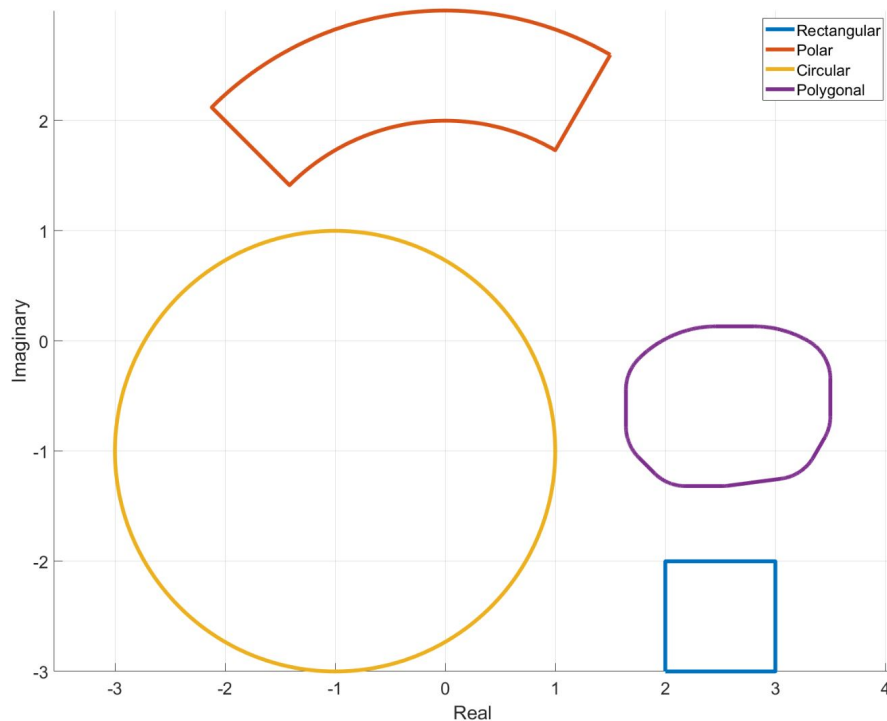
Extension to complex numbers

Several ways to define complex “intervals”

- *Rectangular*
- *Polar*
- *Circular*
- *Polygonal*
- ...

Each have advantages and drawbacks :

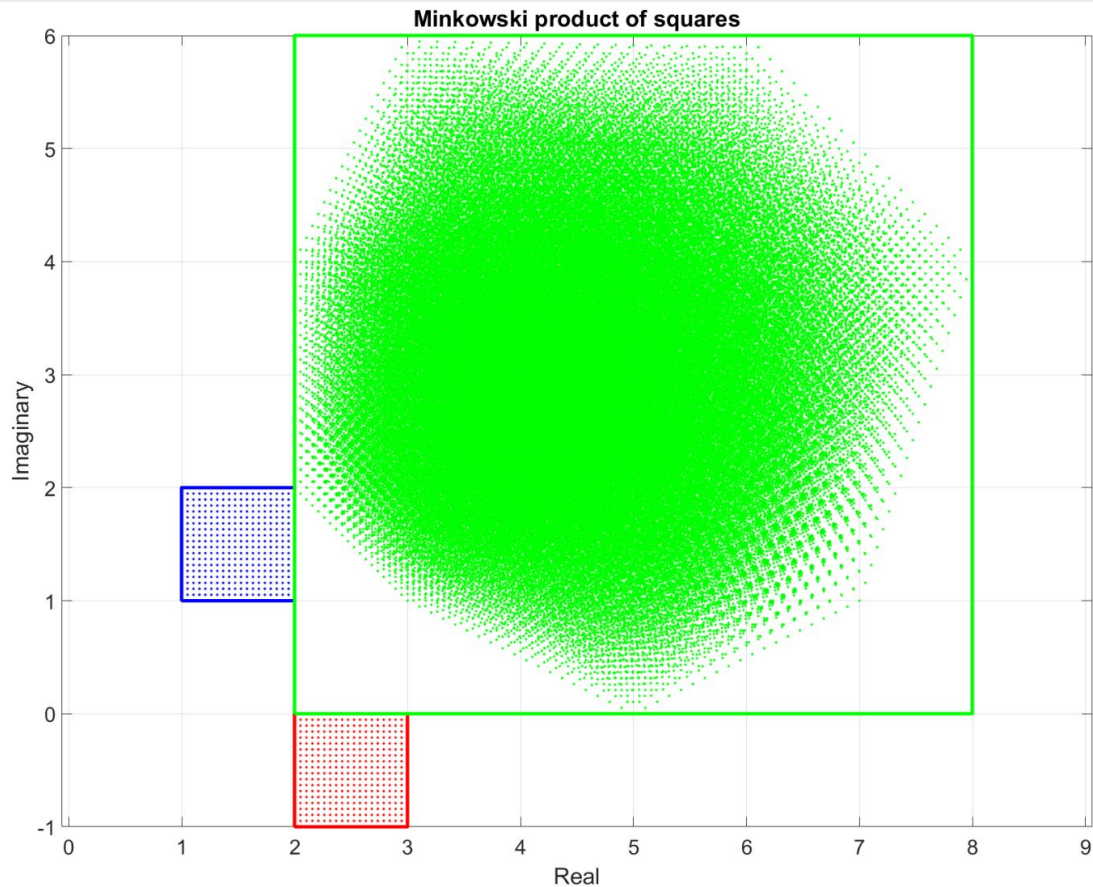
- Computational cost
- Tightness
- Closure under some operations
- ...



Operations on complex intervals

Minkowski (pointwise) product of squares forms an octagon.

The IA extension returns a tight rectangle containing it (i.e. the rectangular interval hull of the image).



Dependency problem

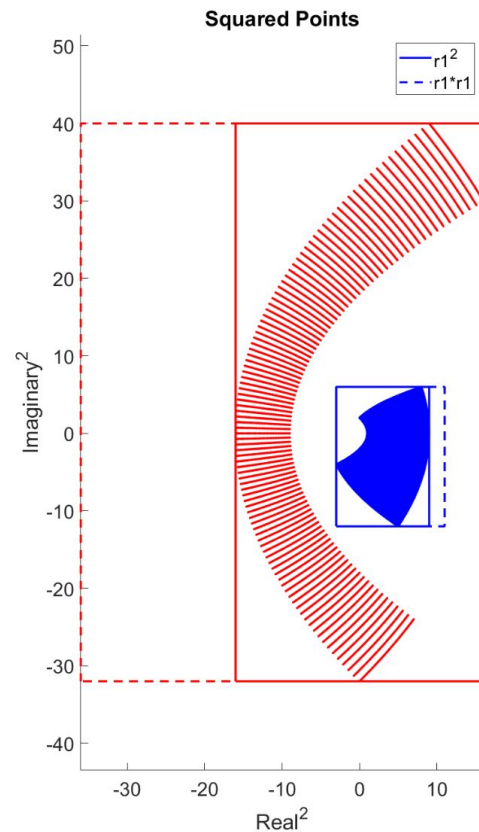
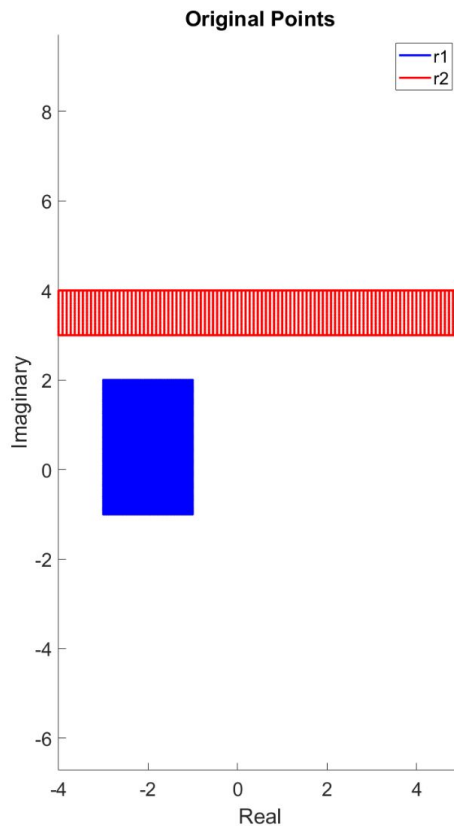
Occurs when a variable appears several time in an expression

Example :

$x^l = [-1, 1]$; Square of x^l ?

$x^l * x^l = [-1, 1] * [-1, 1] = [-1, 1]$

$(x^l)^2 = [0, 1] \neq [-1, 1]$





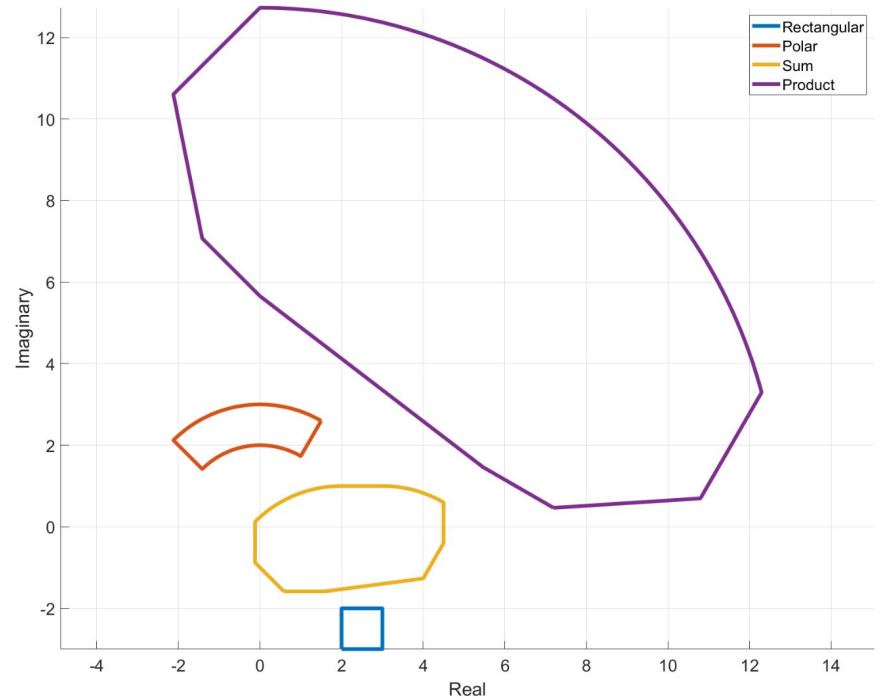
Complex Interval Arithmetic Toolbox (CIAT)

MATLAB Toolbox (Gábor Geréb - Håvard Kjellmo Arnestad)

Contributions :

- Improvements and bugfixes
- Interval extensions of many functions
- IA with probability (see last section)

Havard Kjellmo Arnestad, Gábor Geréb, Tor Inge Birkenes Lønmo, Jan Egil Kirkebø, Andreas Austeng, Sven Peter Næsholm; Sonar array beampattern bounds and an interval arithmetic toolbox. Proc. Mtgs. Acoust 20 June 2022; 47 (1): 055002. <https://doi.org/10.1121/2.0001613>



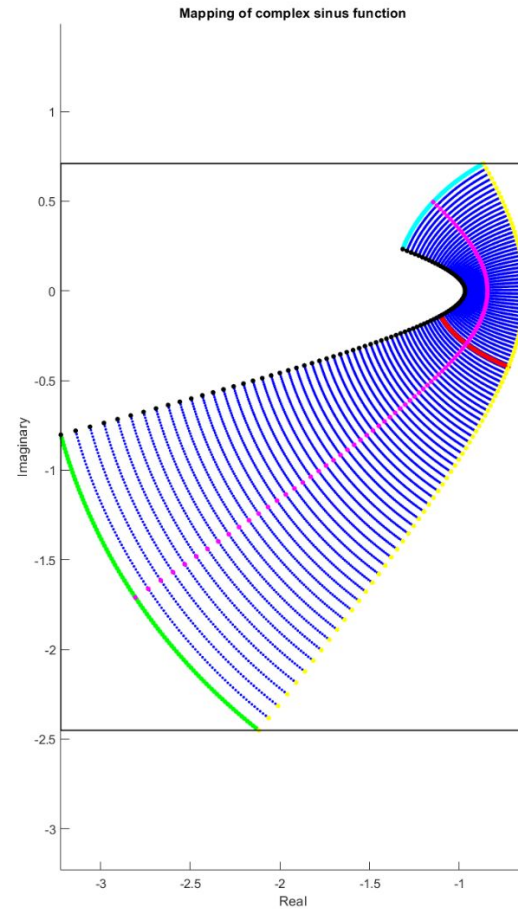
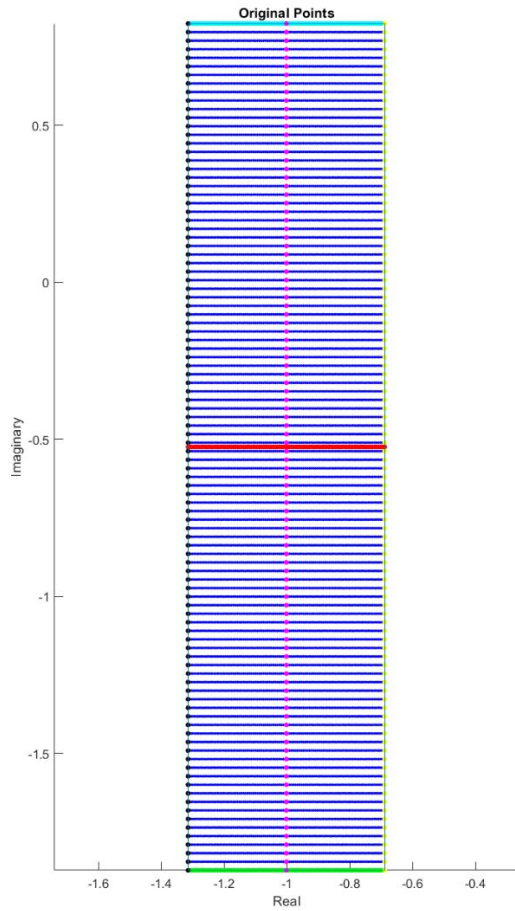


Image of a rectangular interval by the complex sinus function



Application to sonar arrays

Modelization of non-ideal sonar

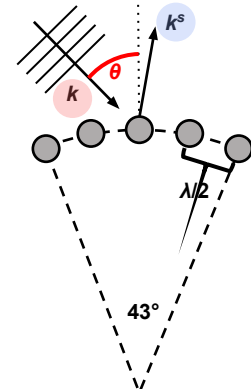
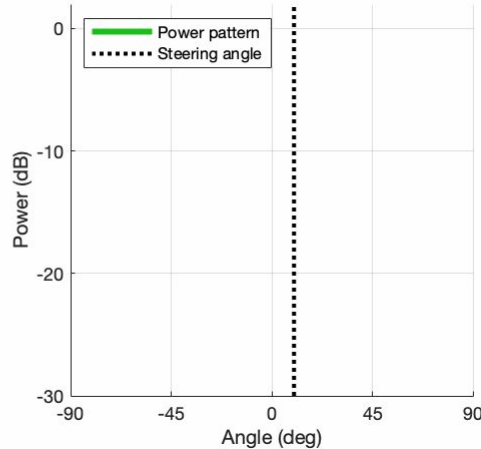
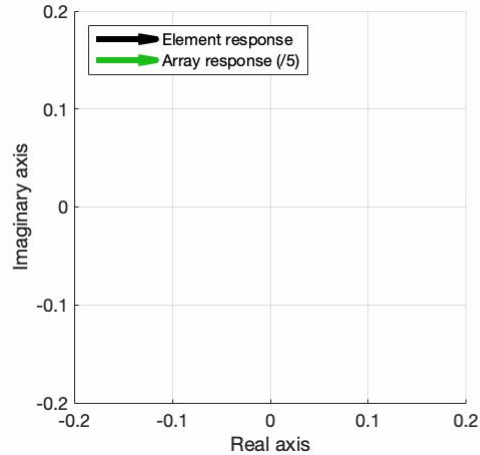
- Sonar beamforming
- An adaptive beamformer LCA
- How to use IA
- Can we have tighter bounds?

Sonar beamforming

A summation of element responses to enhance pick-up from a particular location/direction

$$B(\theta) = \sum_{m=1}^M w_m e^{j(k - k^s) \cdot x_m}$$

Array response: Power = $|B|^2$
 Element weights / apodization
 Element positions



Curved $M = 5$ element array

Sonar rarely ideal!

- Component aging
- Temperature variations
- Environmental factors (e.g., barnacle)
- Manufacturing imperfections
- Damages and deformations
- Design flaws
- Model errors

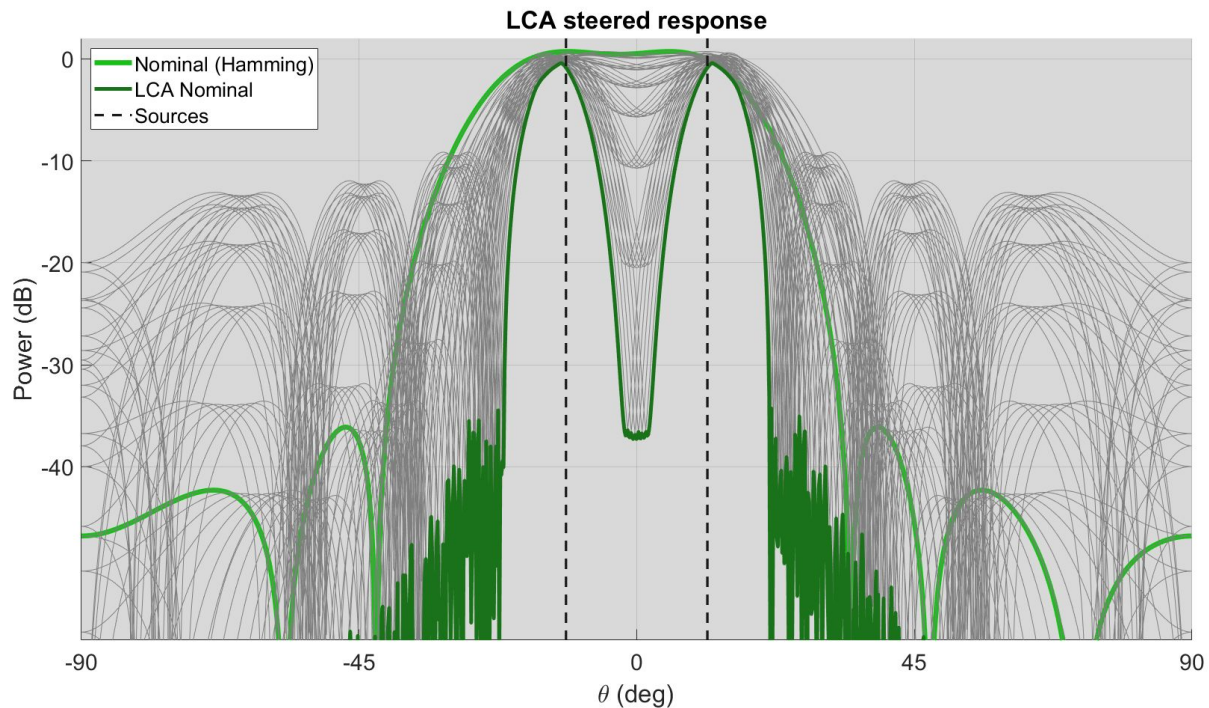
Manifests as errors in:

- Amplitude
 - Element response
 - Orientation error (directivity)
- Phase
 - Element response
 - Position errors
- Coupling

Low Complexity Adaptive Beamformer (LCA)

- Discrete version of MVDR
- Adaptive version of DAS

Adaptive beamformers seek to reduce the power of noise and interference.





Mathematical formulation

$$P_{LCA}(\theta) = \min_{w \in W} |B_w(\theta)|^2$$

And with intervals?

$$P_{LCA}^I(\theta) = \min_{w \in W} |B_w^I(\theta)|^2$$

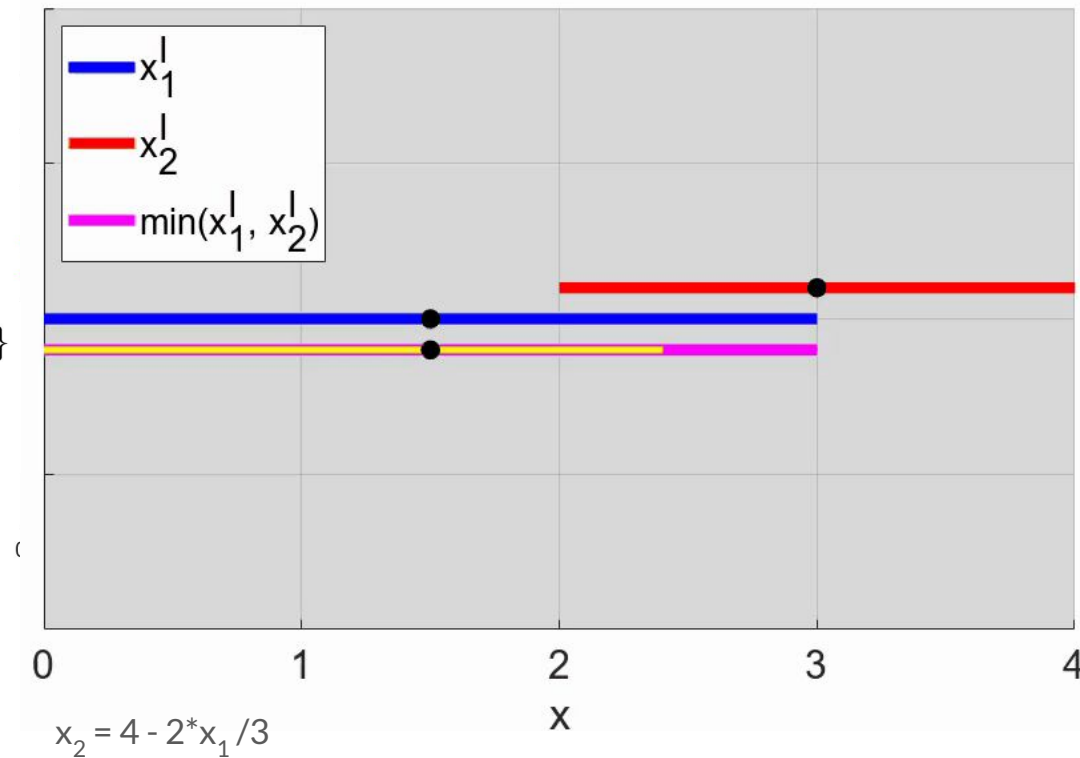


Minimum (intervals)

- Independent inputs
- What happens with dependent inputs ?

$$\begin{aligned} \min\{x^I, y^I\} &= \{\min\{x, y\} \mid \forall x \in x^I \forall y \in y^I\} \\ &= [\min\{\underline{x}^I, \underline{y}^I\}, \min\{\bar{x}^I, \bar{y}^I\}] \end{aligned}$$

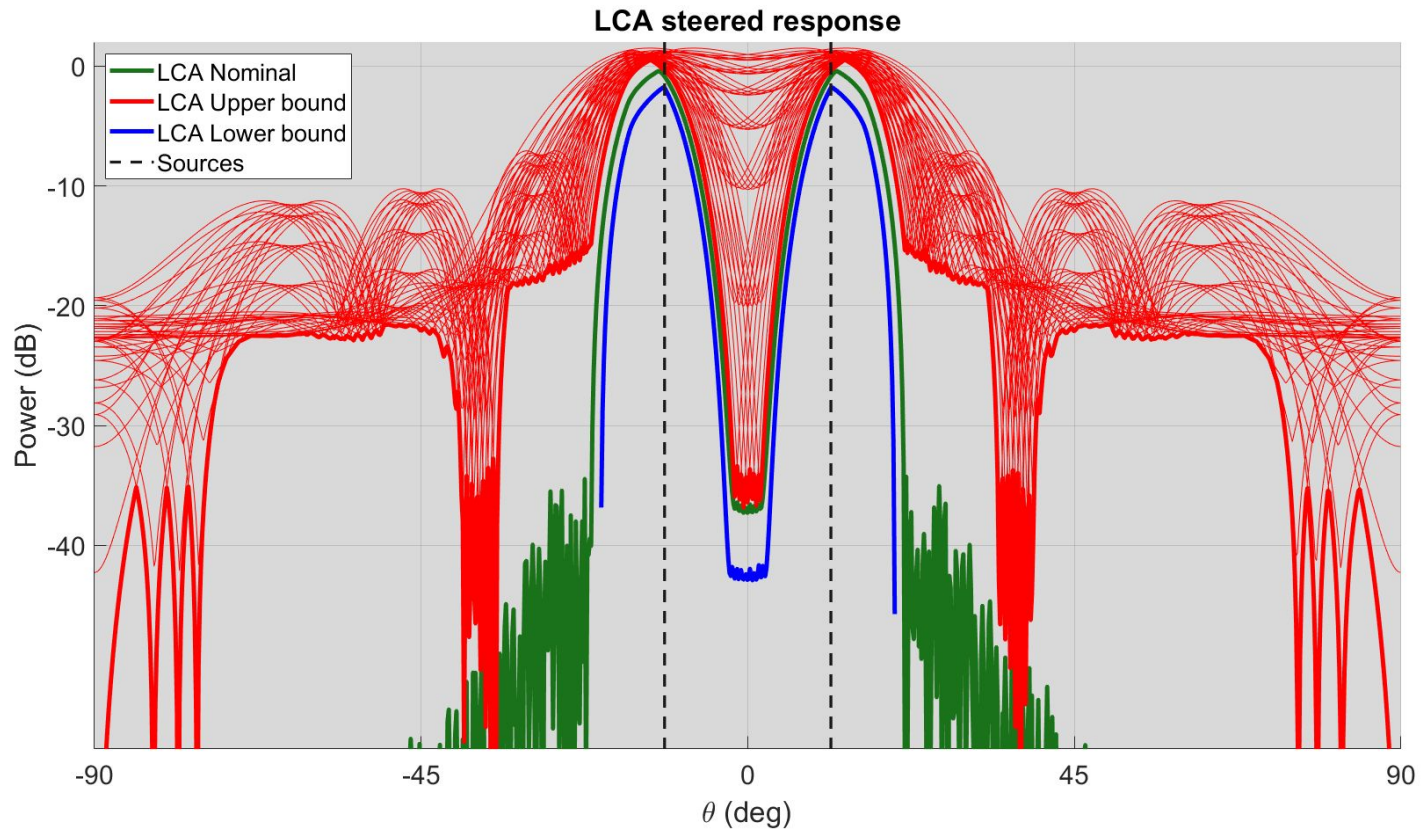
Plot of x_1^I , x_2^I , and $\min(x_1^I, x_2^I)$

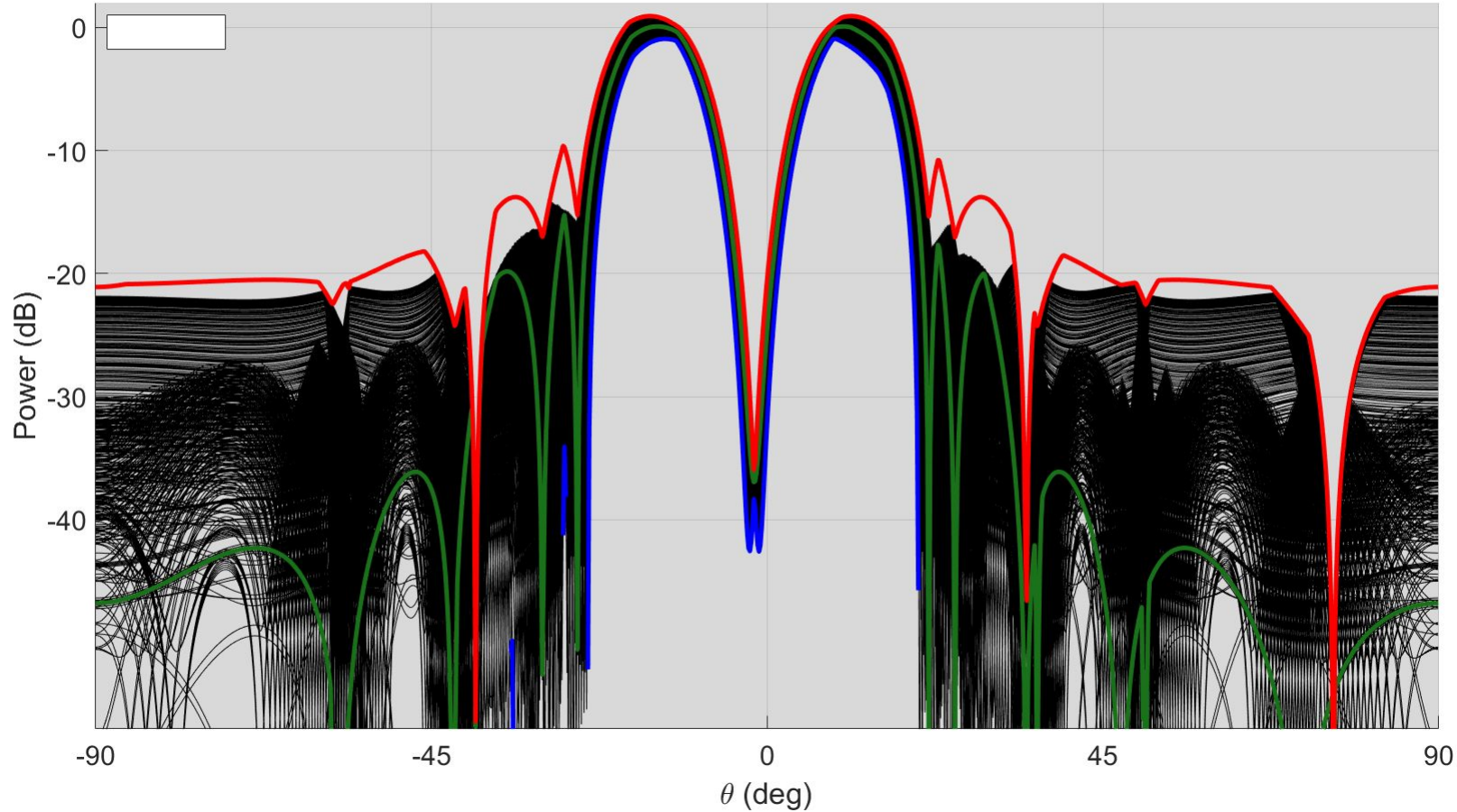




LCA with IA

Computes the upper bound for each window, then takes the minimum





Exhaustive Monte-Carlo method for a simple case - Bounds are not tight



Untight bounds : a dependency problem

Recall the formula for the LCA steered response

$$P_{LCA}^I(\theta) = \min_{w \in W} |B_w^I(\theta)|^2$$

Consider the true (optimal) upper bound :

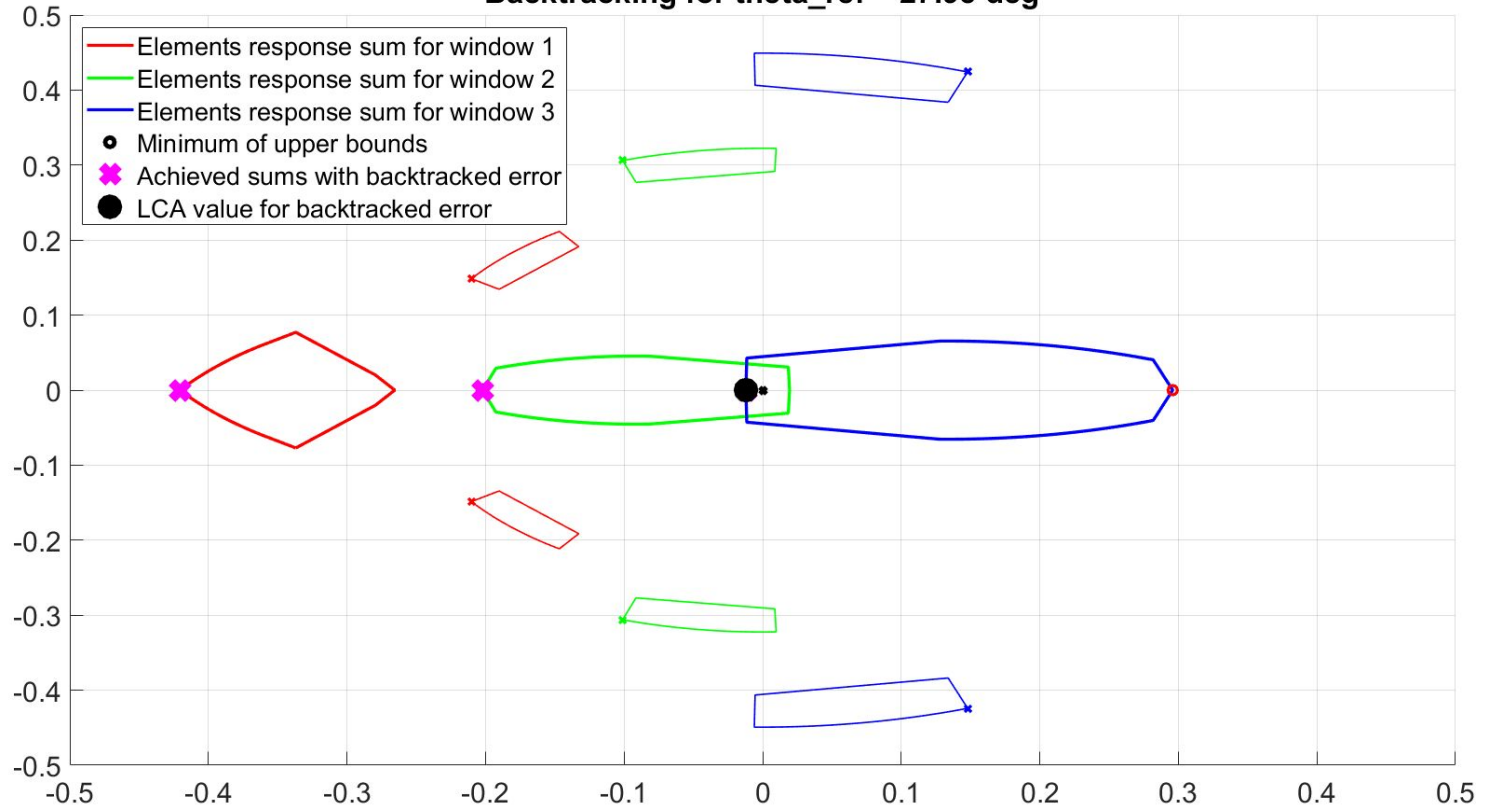
$$\overline{P}_{LCA}^{opt}(\theta) = \max_{\varepsilon \in E} \min_{w \in W} |B_w(\theta, \varepsilon)|^2$$

Compared to the one given by IA

$$\overline{P}_{LCA}^I(\theta) = \min_{w \in W} \overline{|B_w^I(\theta_s)|^2}$$

The IA minimum function doesn't take the dependency into account, hence the relaxed bound

Backtracking for theta_ref = 27.95 deg



Two blocks array - Three windows : maximum values and backtracked errors



Trying to get rid of dependency : backtracking

Note that the lower bound is actually tight ! (Due to the commutativity of minimums)

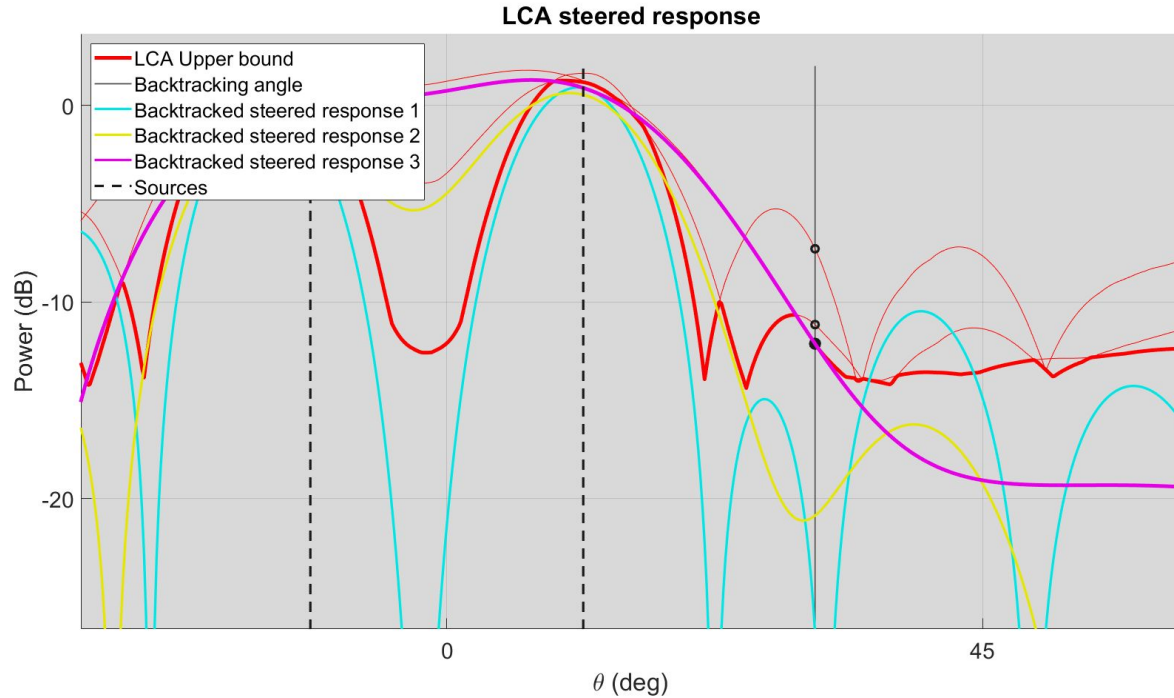
Backtracking aims to recover the elements that sums to an extreme value in an interval (in our case).

Why backtracking won't work

Backtracked errors are most likely different for every window

“The” error achieving the IA upper bound can result in a completely different result for other windows

The maximum is actually achieved in the interior of the intervals





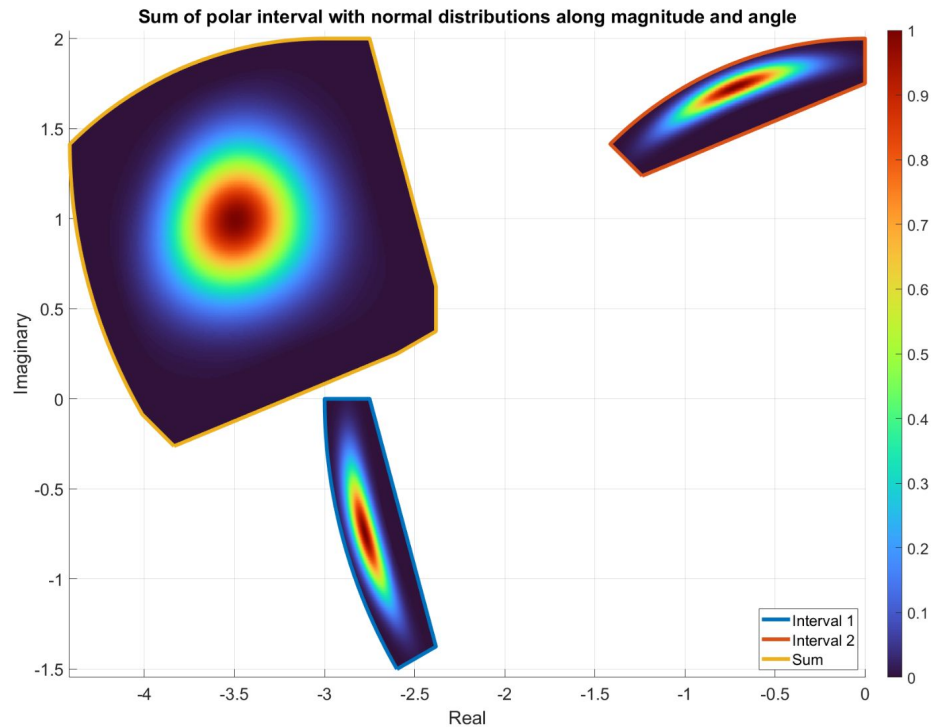
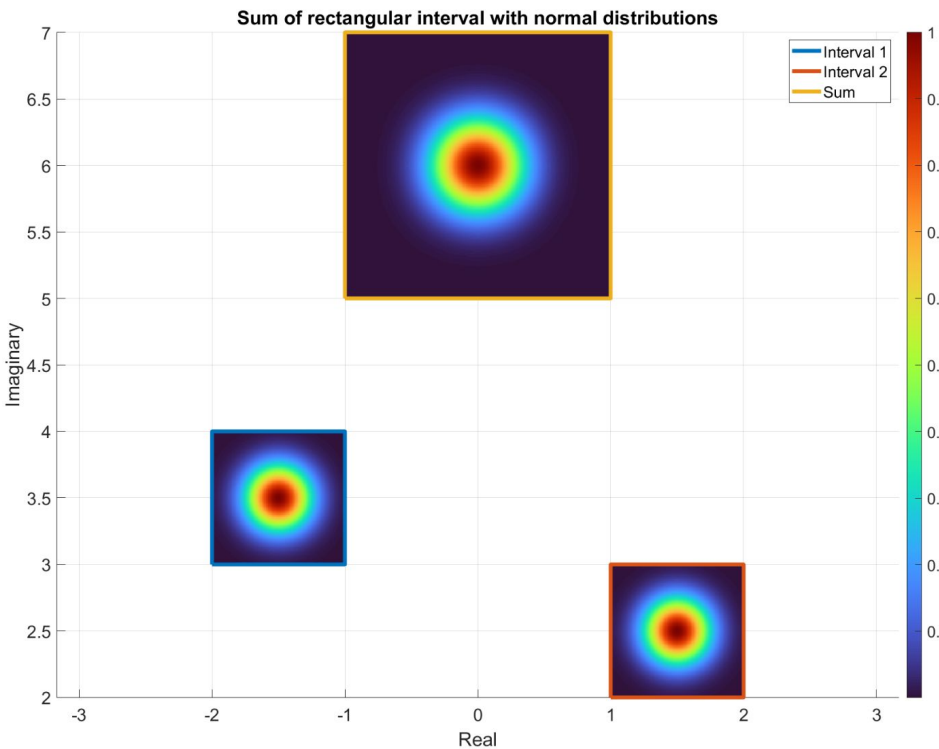
Probabilities on intervals

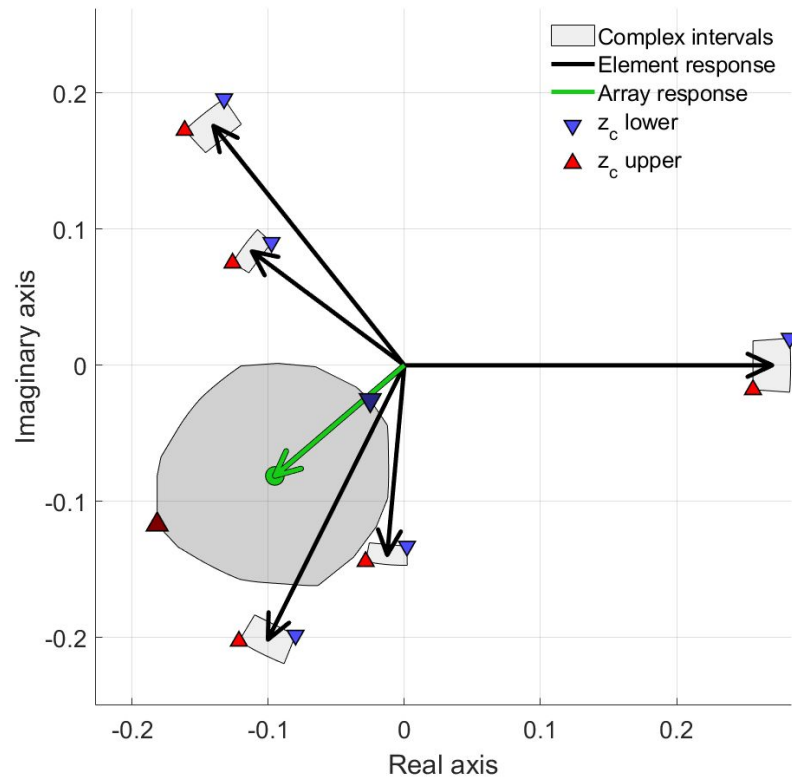
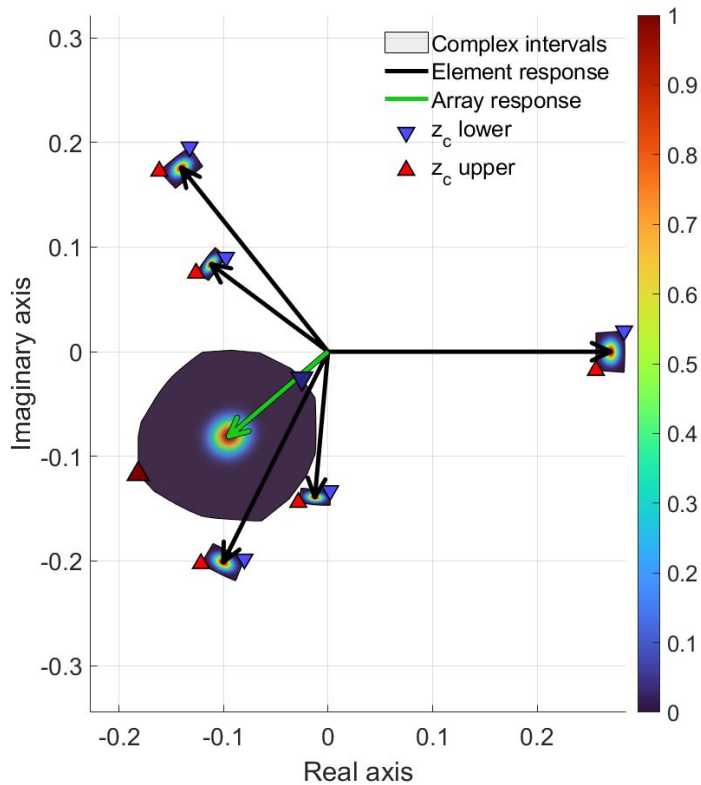
Heatmaps, and back to statistics

- Implementation in the CIAT toolbox
- Operations on random variables
- Utilizations

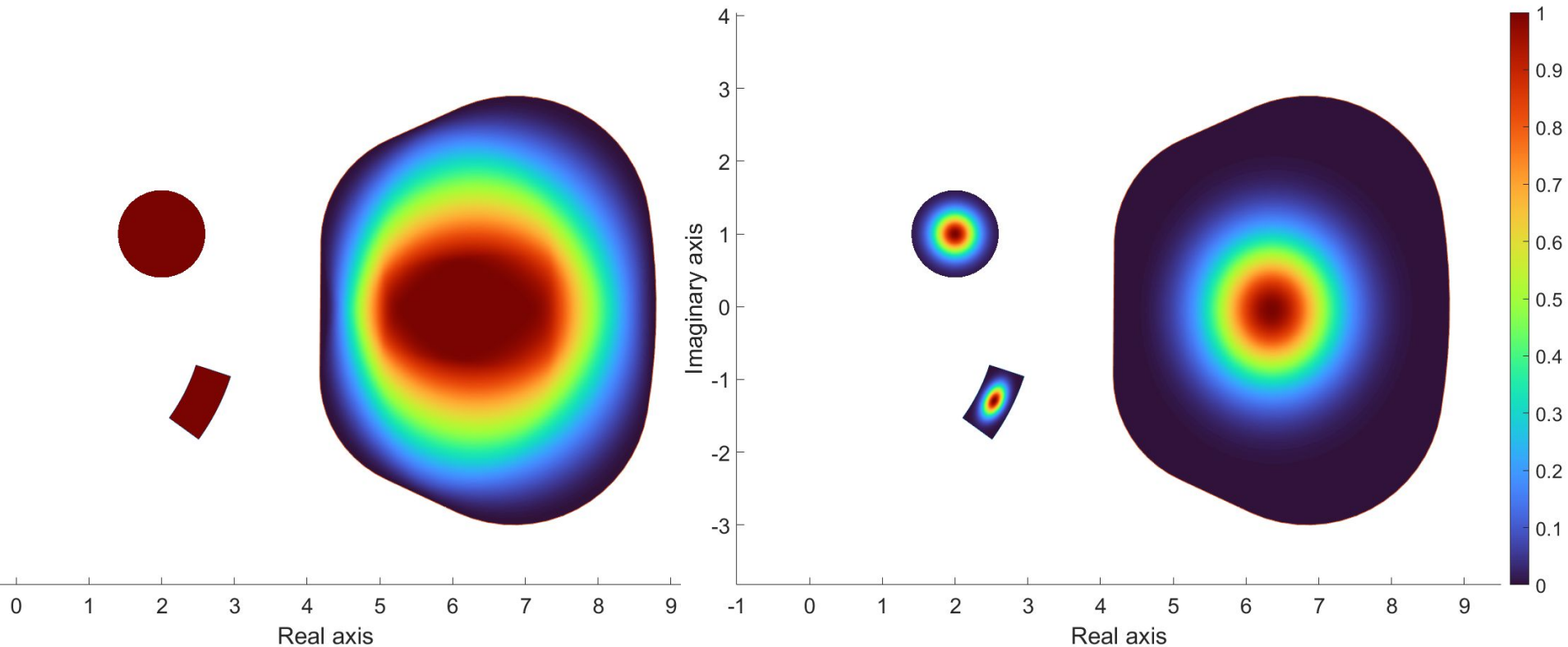


Two examples



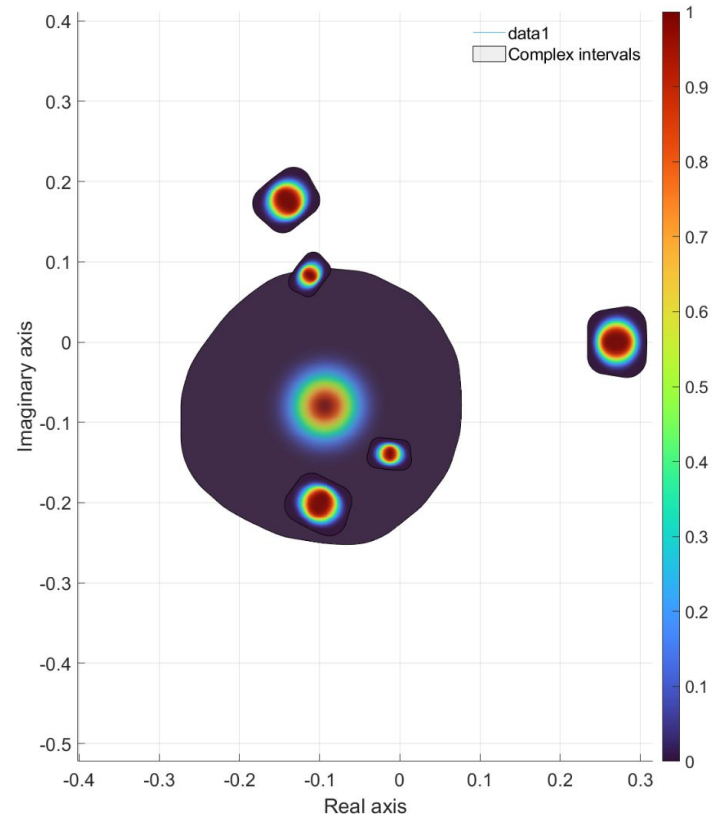
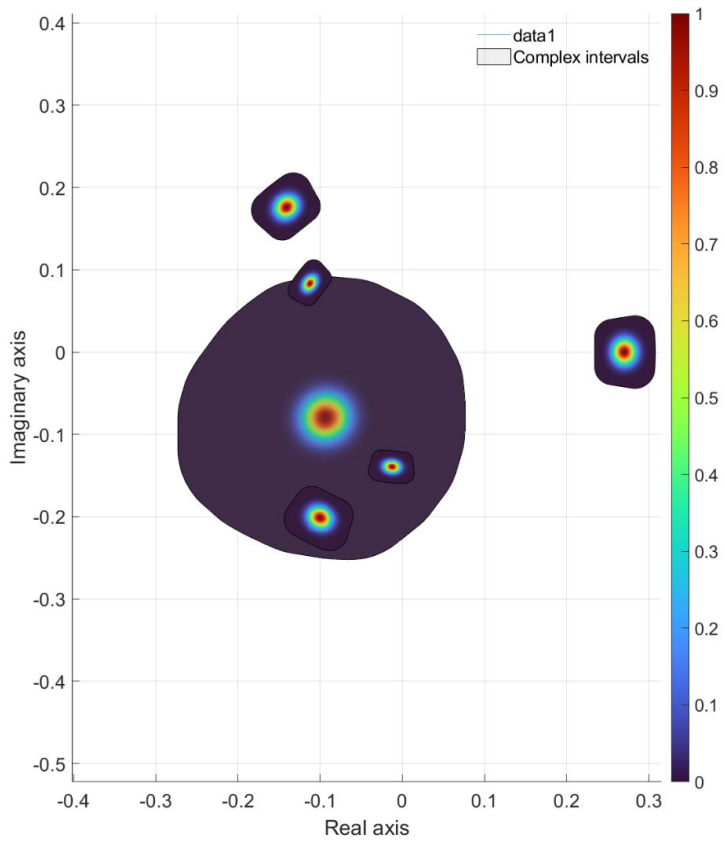


Side by side comparison of Fig. 6. (b) of JASA paper: sum of element response with and without probability distributions



Product of circular and polar intervals (Fig. 8 JASA paper) -

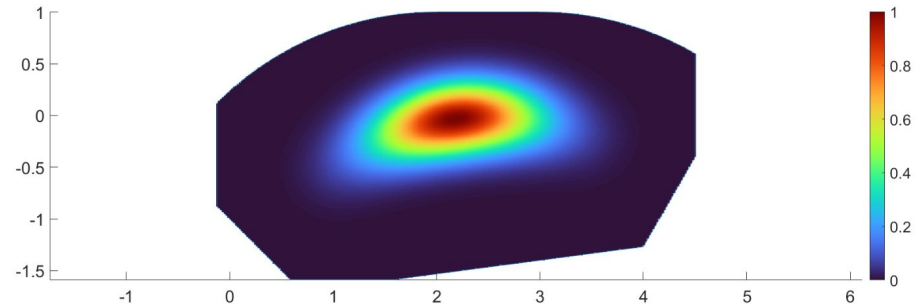
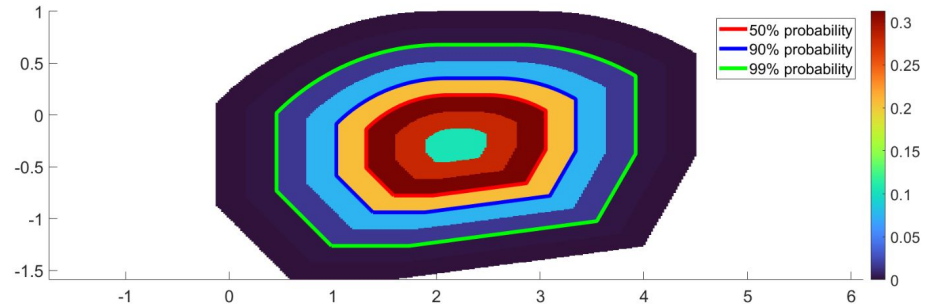
- Left : Product of intervals with uniform distributions
- Right: 2D normal distribution for the circle, normal-ish distribution along magnitude and angle for polar interval



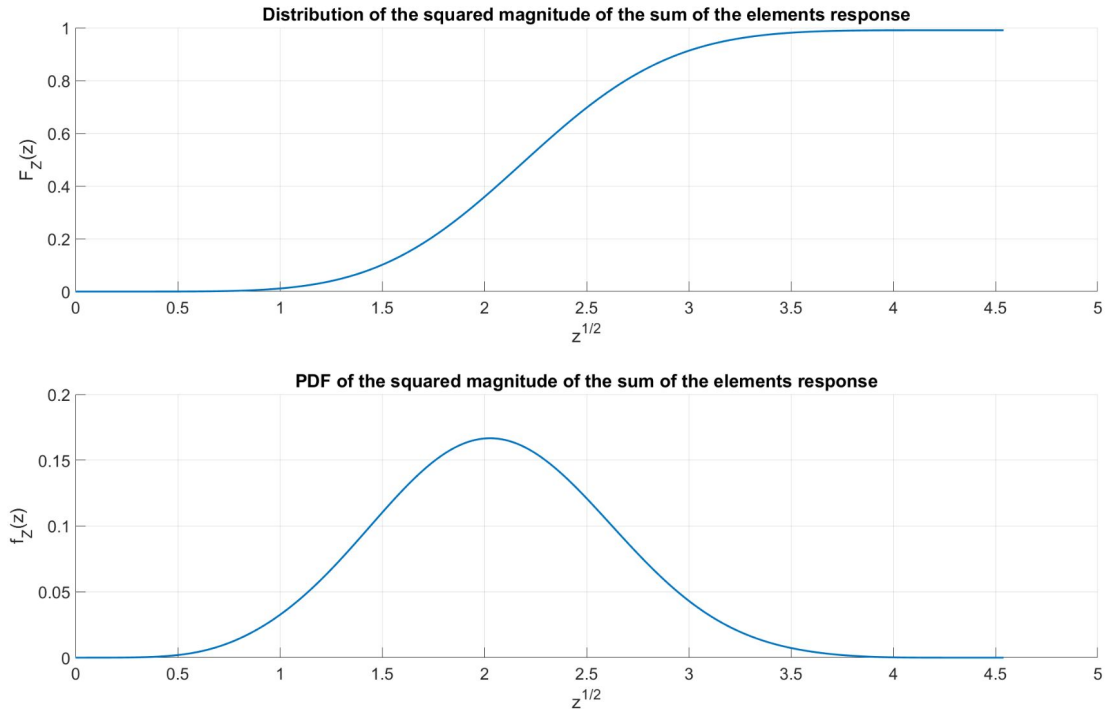
Multiplication of intervals allows a deeper study of coupling errors

Usage

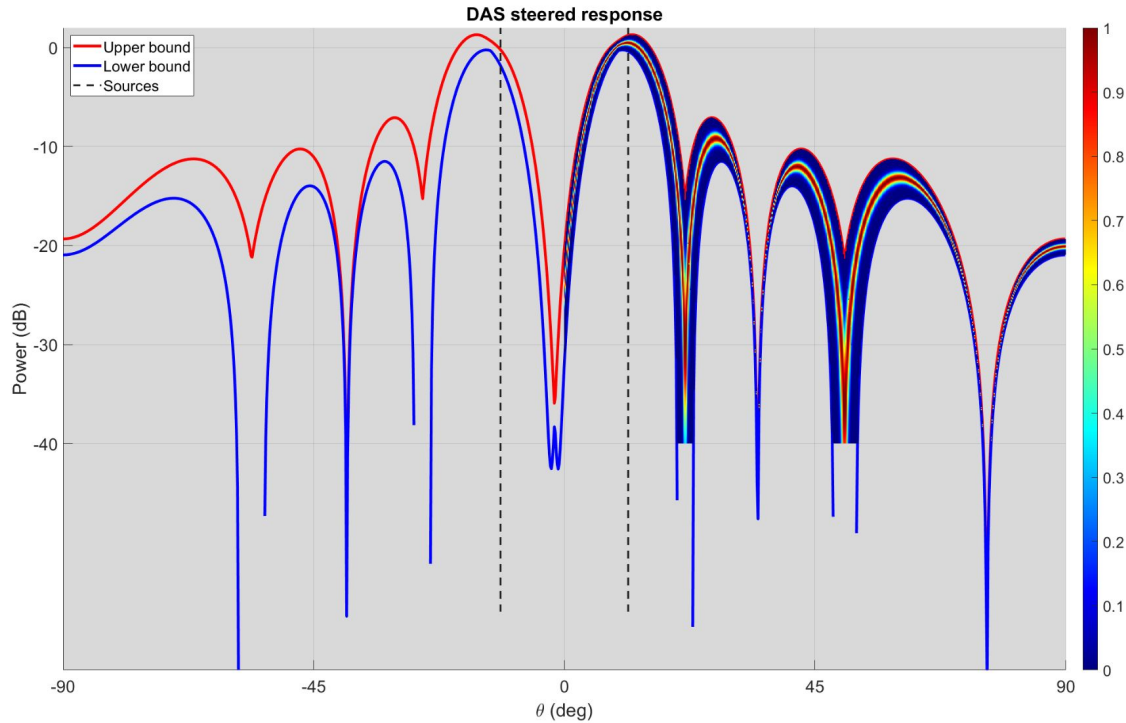
Zone captures 50/90/99 % of the probability



Power distribution (1)



Power distribution (2)





Conclusion

A lot of rectangles...

Done :

- Interval Arithmetic
 - Contribution for the toolbox
- IA for LCA
 - Non-trivial to obtain tight bound
- Probability intervals

→ Two papers

Future works :

- Deeper analysis using the toolbox
- More insight on adaptive beamformers

Thanks for listening!

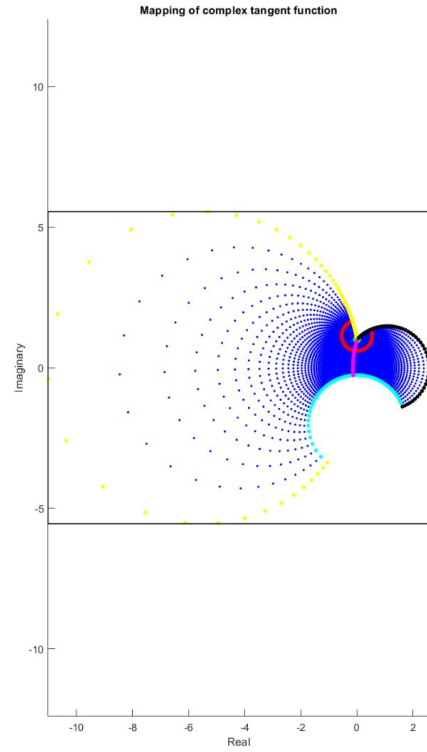
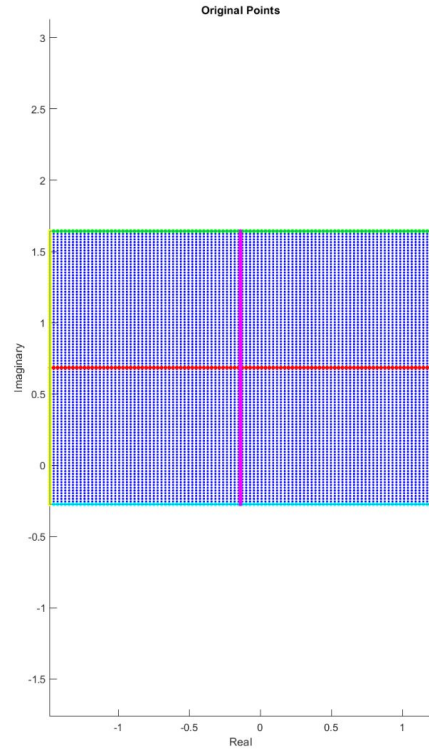


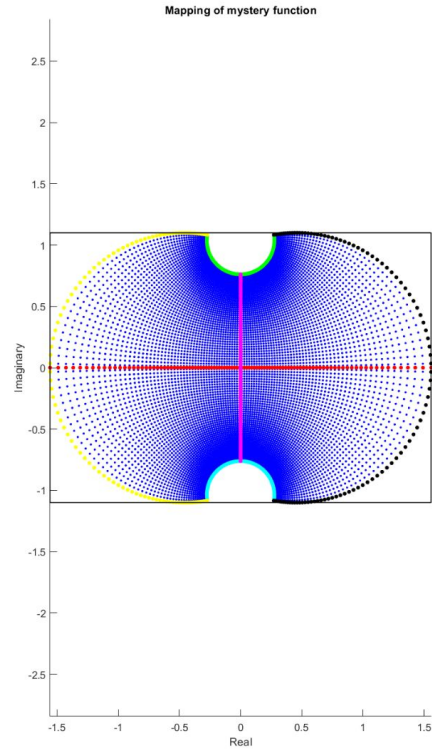
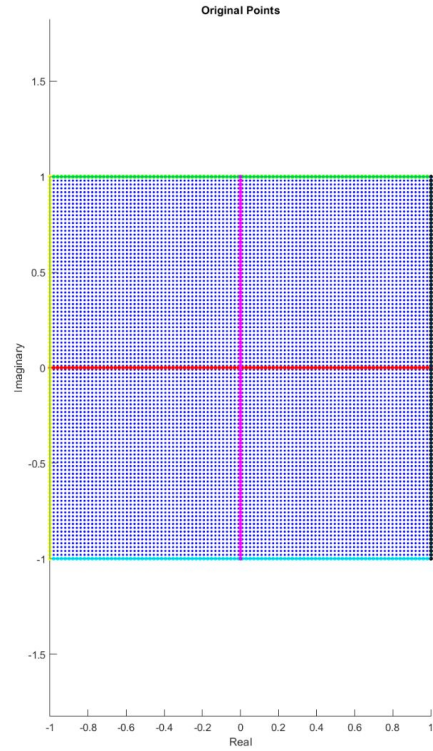
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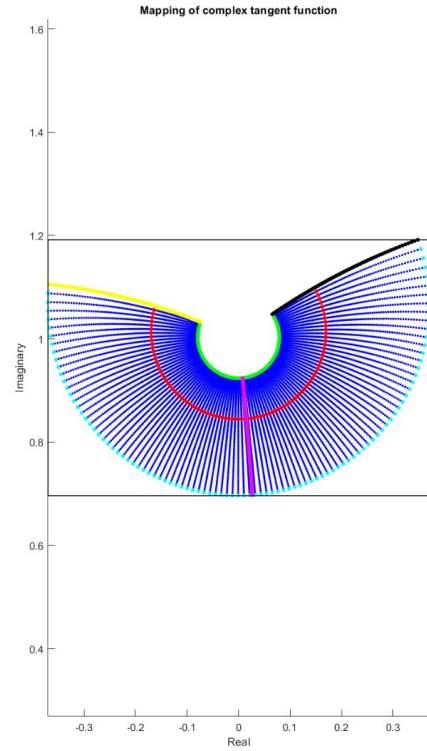
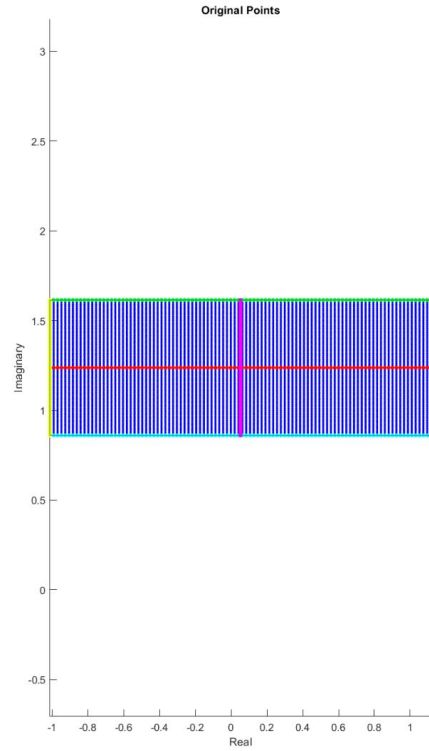
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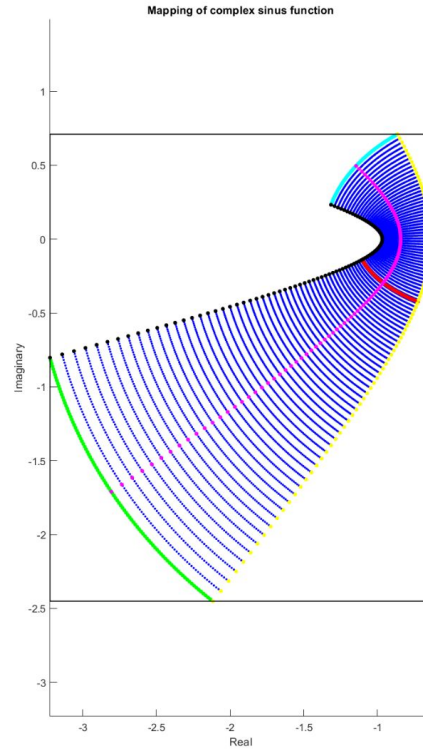
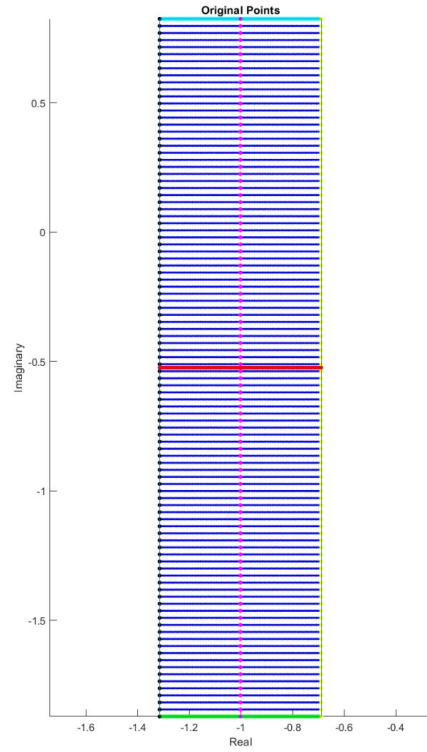


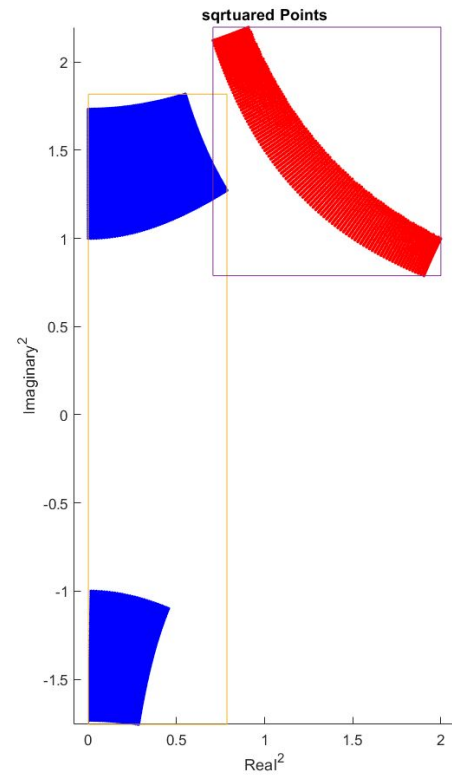
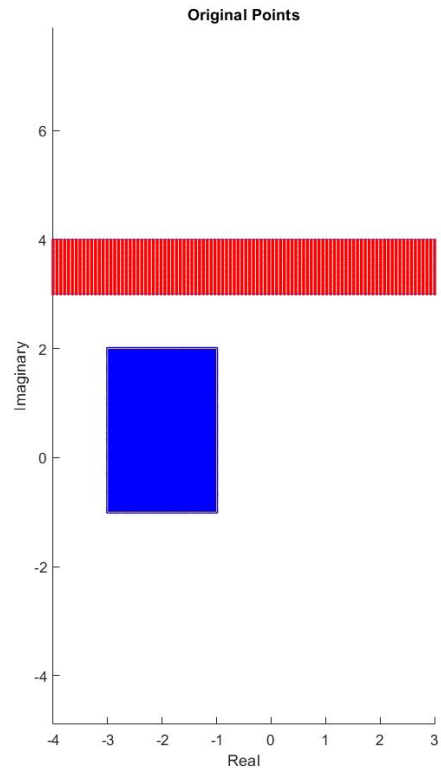
Interval Analysis













Probabilistic intervals



Addition

Let $Z = X + Y$, then :

$$f_Z(z) = (f_X * f_Y)(z) = \iint_{\mathbf{C}} f_X(t) f_Y(z - t) dt \quad (1)$$



Logarithm

Let $Z = \log X$, we consider only one branch of the logarithm, i.e. $Z = \log X = \log |X| + j \arg X$ with $\arg X \in]-\pi, \pi]$. This means $f_Z = f_{\log X}$ is only defined on the band $] -\infty, \infty[+ j]-\pi, \pi]$. Then we have :

$$f_Z(z) = f_X(e^z) |e^z| = f_X(e^z) e^{\Re(z)}$$



Exponential

$$f_Z(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{f_X(\log z + 2k\pi j)}{|z|}$$

Multiplication

$$\begin{aligned}f_Z(z) &= \sum_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{(f_{\log X} * f_{\log Y})(\log z + 2k\pi j)}{|z|} \\&= \sum_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} \frac{1}{|z|} \iint_{|\Im(t)| < \pi} f_{\log X}(\log z + 2k\pi j - t) f_{\log Y}(t) dt \\&= \frac{1}{|z|} \iint_{|\Im(t)| < \pi} f_X(e^{\log z + 2k\pi j - t}) |e^{\log z + 2k\pi j - t}| f_Y(e^t) |e^t| dt \\&= \frac{1}{|z|} \iint_{|\Im(t)| < \pi} f_X(ze^{-t}) |ze^{-t}| f_Y(e^t) |e^t| dt \\&= \iint_{|\Im(t)| < \pi} f_X(ze^{-t}) f_Y(e^t) dt \\&= \iint_{|\Im(t)| < \pi} s_X(\log z - t) s_Y(t) dt \\&= (s_X * s_Y)(\log z) \\&= (f_X *_l f_Y)(z)\end{aligned}$$

where $s_X(t) = f_X(e^t)$ and $s_Y(t) = f_Y(e^t)$. This is in fact the logarithmic convolution of f_X and f_Y .



Square

The distribution of the square of a positive real random variable is given by :

$$f_{X^2}(x) = \frac{f_X(\sqrt{x})}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

If the random variable is defined for all real numbers, then the distribution is :

$$f_{X^2}(x) = \frac{f_X(\sqrt{x}) + f_X(-\sqrt{x})}{2\sqrt{x}}$$



Squared magnitude

Several ways :

- Direct computation of the cdf
- Using formula for the squares and sum using convolution
 - Fast but singularity at zero
 - Stable way to compute the pdf with a change of variable

$$\begin{aligned}F_Z(z) &= \int_{-\sqrt{z}}^{\sqrt{z}} f_Y(y) \int_{-\sqrt{z-y^2}}^{\sqrt{z-y^2}} f_X(x) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\sqrt{z}}^{\sqrt{z}} f_Y(y) (F_X(\sqrt{z-y^2}) - F_X(-\sqrt{z-y^2})) dy\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f_Z(z) &= f_{X^2+Y^2}(z) \\ &= (f_{X^2} * f_{Y^2})(z) \\ &= \int_0^z f_{X^2}(z-t) f_{Y^2}(t) dt \\ &= \int_0^{\sqrt{z/2}} \frac{(f_X(u) + f_X(-u))(f_Y(\sqrt{z-u^2}) + f_Y(-\sqrt{z-u^2})) + (f_Y(u) + f_Y(-u))(f_X(\sqrt{z-u^2}) + f_X(-\sqrt{z-u^2}))}{\sqrt{z-u^2}} du\end{aligned}$$



Distributions

- Uniform
- Complex normal
- Polar normal
 - Wrapped normal distribution & Von Mises distribution
 - Folded normal distribution
 - Truncated normal distribution



LCA