

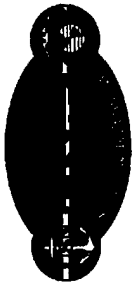
# **Robust ABF for Large, Passive Broadband Sonar Arrays**

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# Introduction: Themes

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**ABF for large arrays ( $100 < N < 10000$  elements)  
require particular attention to computing efficiency**

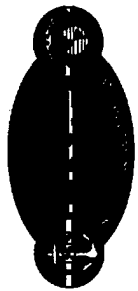
- Element space  $DMR > O(ND^2)$

**“Ideal” reduced complexity adaptive beamformer:**

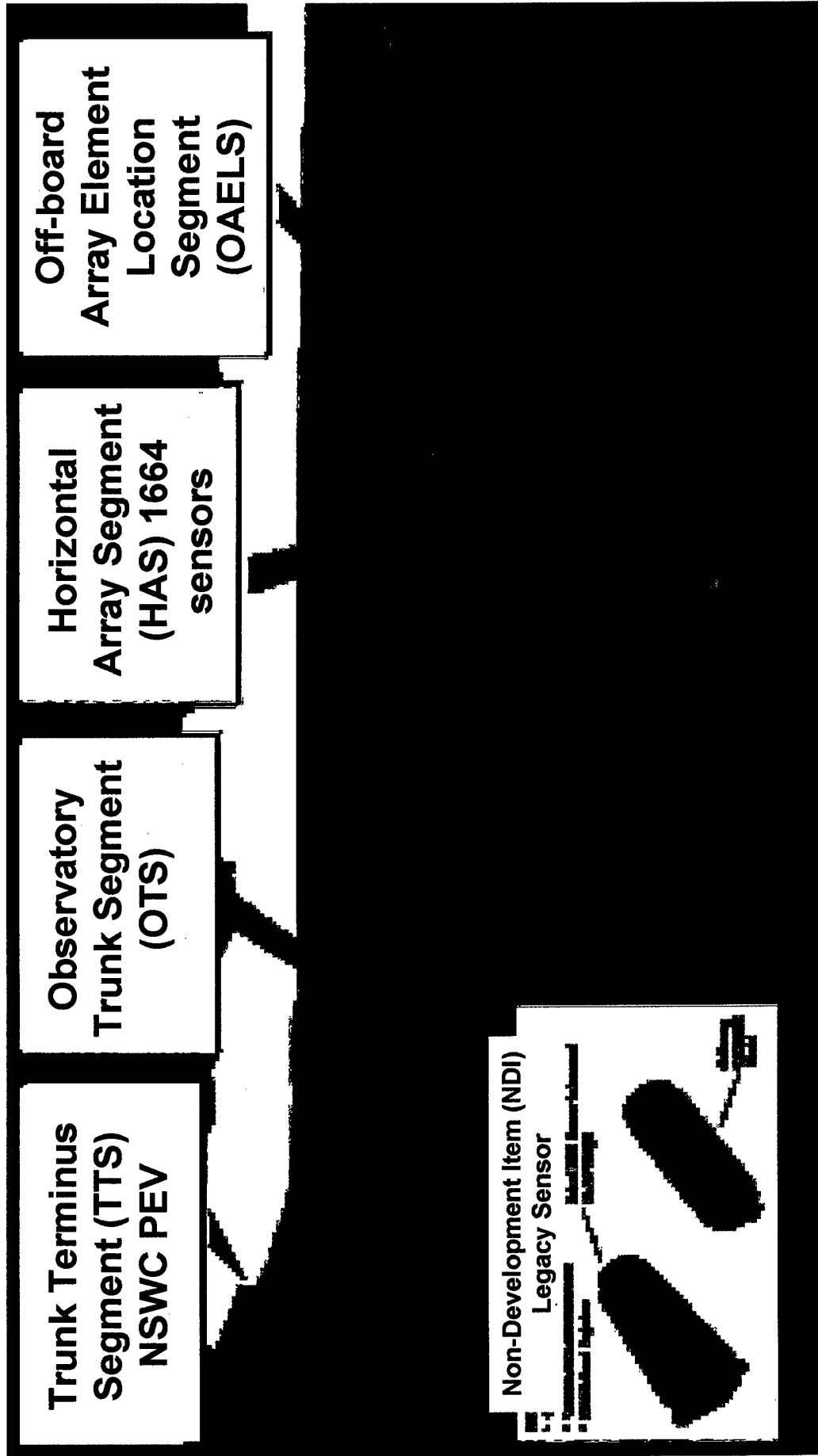
- Adaptation space dimension,  $N_a$ , close to required adaptive degrees of freedom  $D$
- Consistent with spatial sampling theory
- Steering direction invariant
- “Robust robustness”

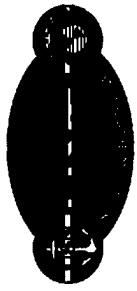
**Broadband beamforming:**

- computing efficiency inherent at low frequency
- can trade high SNR signal suppression for spatial resolution



# LOPS AO Array Wet Subsystem(AWS)



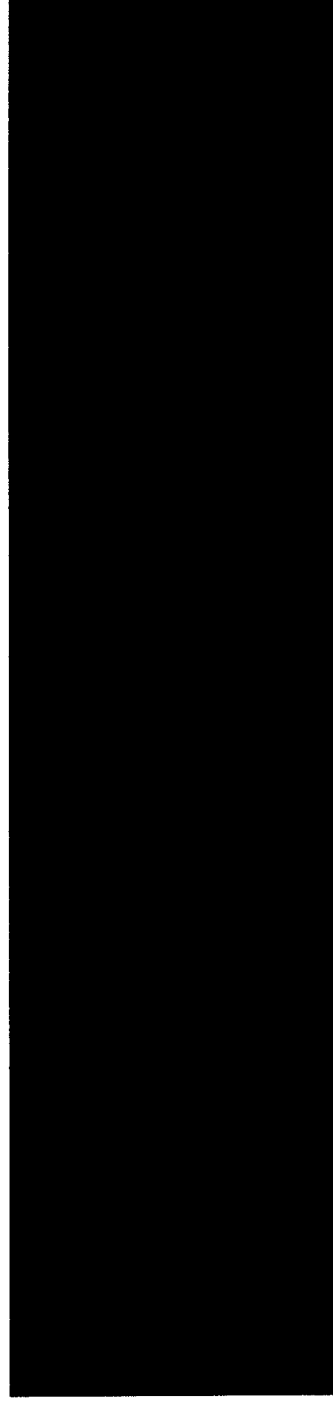


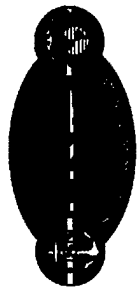
## Complexity (C) in Dominant Mode Rejection (DMR) Adaptive Beamforming (ABF)

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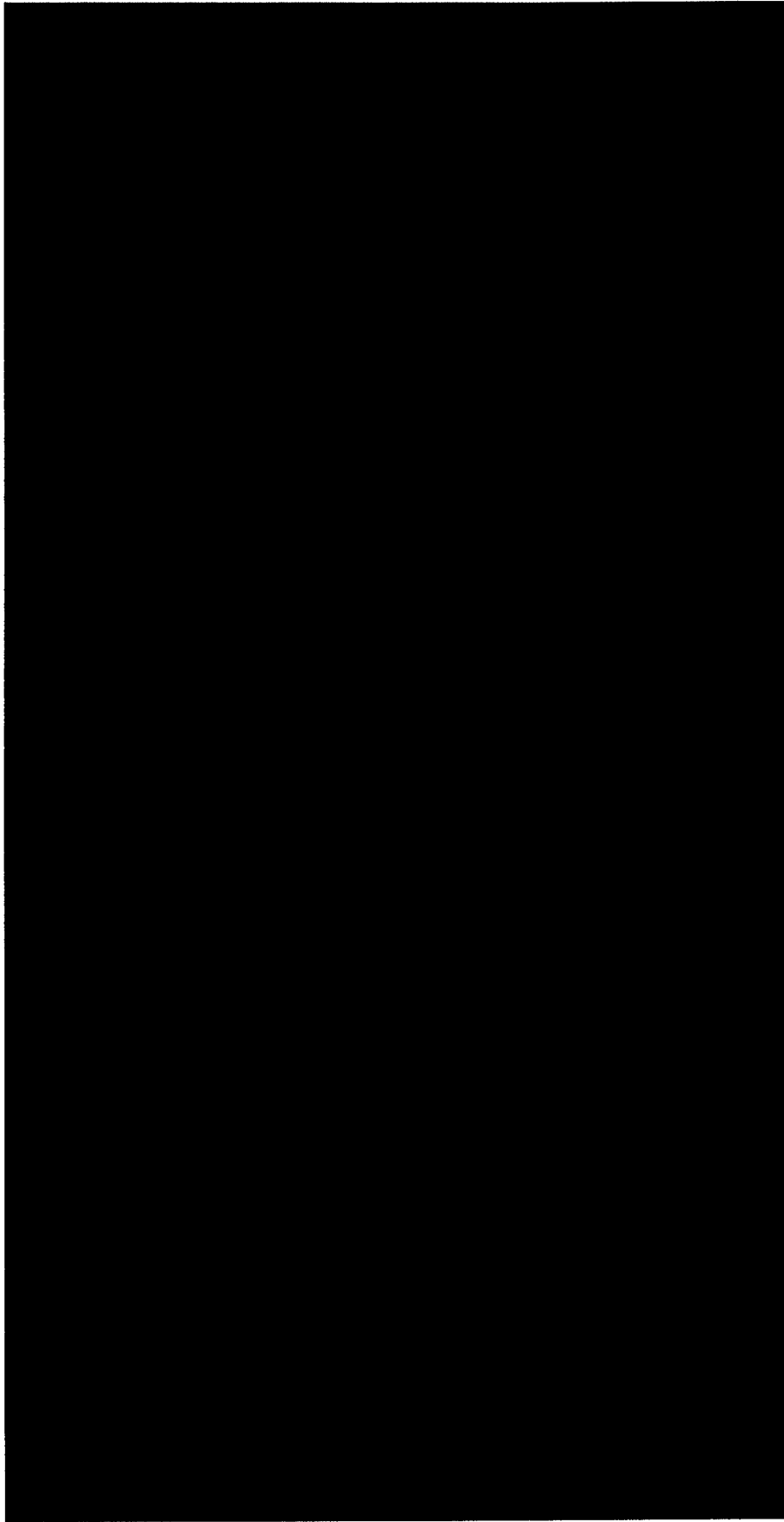
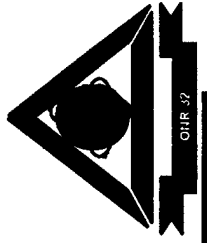


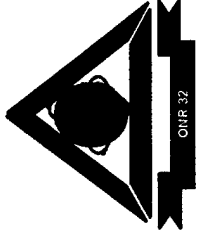
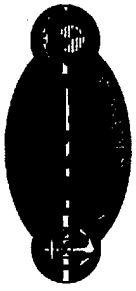
- $N$  = number of sensors
- $S$  = number of steering directions
- $N_a$  = number of adaptively filtered channels
- $D$  = number of adaptive degrees of freedom





# Candidate ASAP Methods for Large BB Arrays





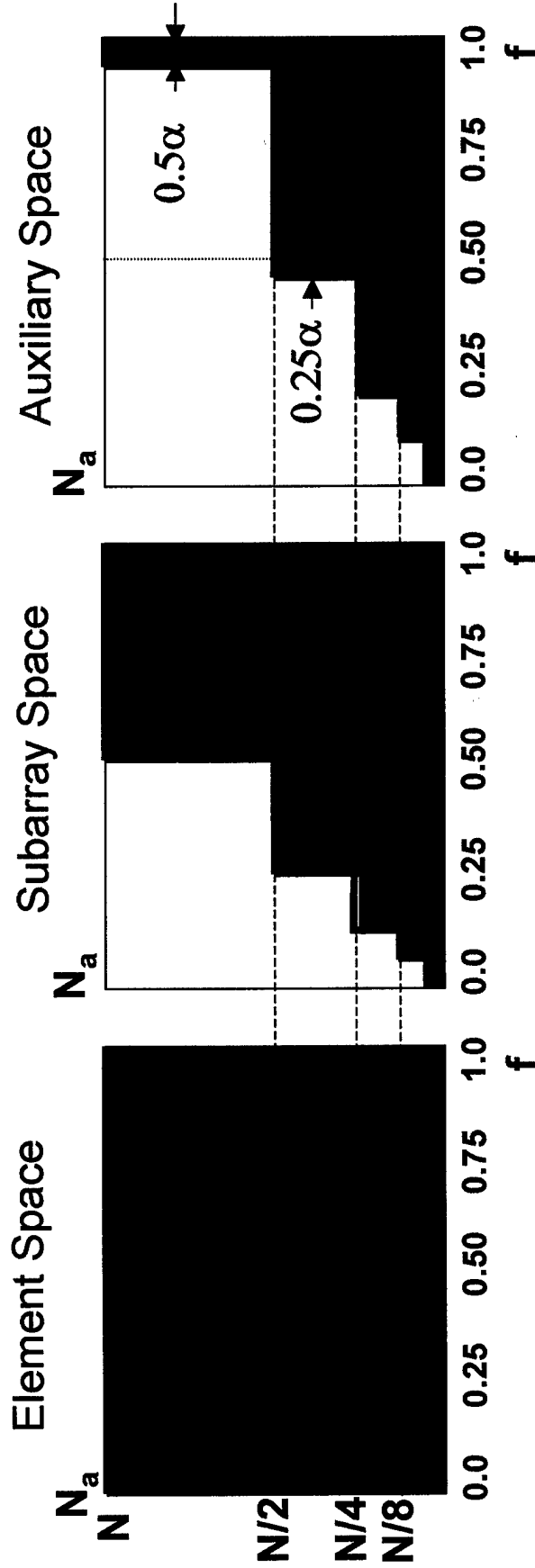
# Adaptive Degrees of Freedom: Frequency Dependence

$N$  = number of sensors  $\lambda/2$  spaced sensors in linear array

$N_a$  = number of adaptive channels

$f$  = frequency normalized by the  $\lambda/2$  spacing design frequency

$f=1$  is array design frequency

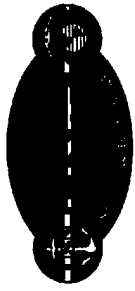


$\text{Area} = N$

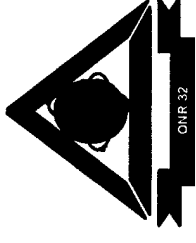
$\text{Area} = 2N/3$

$\text{Area} = (\alpha+1)N/3$

$N_a = N_a$  (Number of Sources, Number of  $\lambda/2$ -s in Aperture) (???)



# Measures of Performance

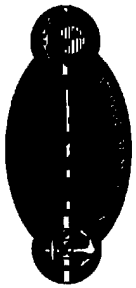


- **Qualitative: Bearing-Time-Recording (BTR)**  
**side-by-side beauty contest**
- **Quantitative: Array Gain (AG)**

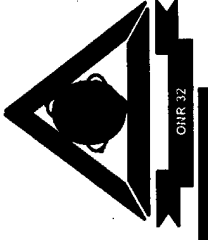
$\mathbf{w}(\theta_{\text{targ}})$  = beamforming filter vector for beam steered at  $\theta_{\text{targ}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}_{\text{true}}(\theta_{\text{targ}}) &= \text{Cross-Channel Spectral Density Matrix (CSDM)} \\ &= \mathbf{d}(\theta_{\text{targ}})\mathbf{d}(\theta_{\text{targ}})^H, \quad \text{Trace}(\mathbf{P}_{\text{true}}(\theta_{\text{targ}})) = N \end{aligned}$$

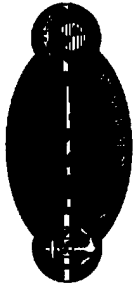
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_{\text{true}}(\text{all } \theta \neq \theta_{\text{targ}}) &= \sum_m \alpha_m \mathbf{d}(\theta_m)\mathbf{d}(\theta_m)^H + \alpha_0 \mathbf{I}_N, \\ &\quad \text{Trace}(\mathbf{Q}_{\text{true}}(\theta_{\text{targ}})) = N \end{aligned}$$



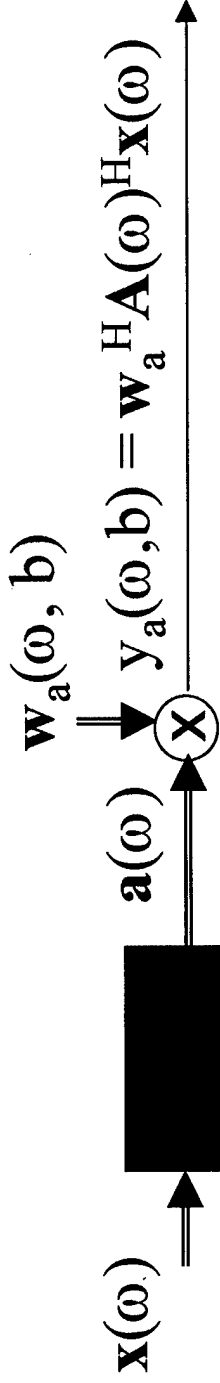
## AG MOP Usage



- AG is given as a function of  $\theta_{\text{targ}}$  for static source examples
- AG is given along the bearing track of a clairvoyant designated target tracker for dynamic source examples



# ABF with Subarray Preprocessing

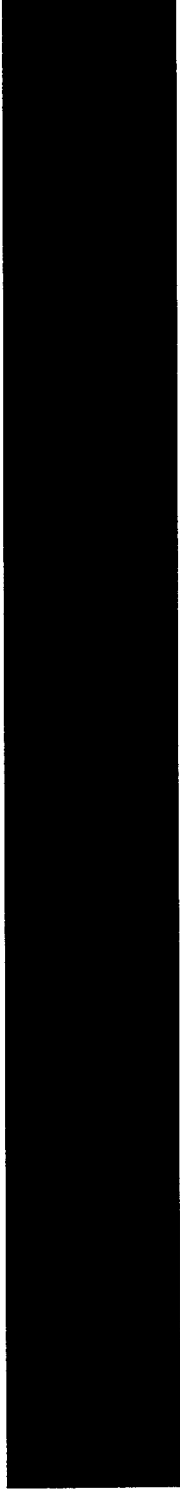


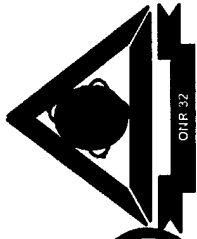
**Steering invariant subarray grouping:**

$$\mathbf{v}_a(\omega, b) = \mathbf{A}(\omega) \mathbf{H} \mathbf{v}(\omega, b)$$

**Suppress  $\omega$  and  $b$  notation:**

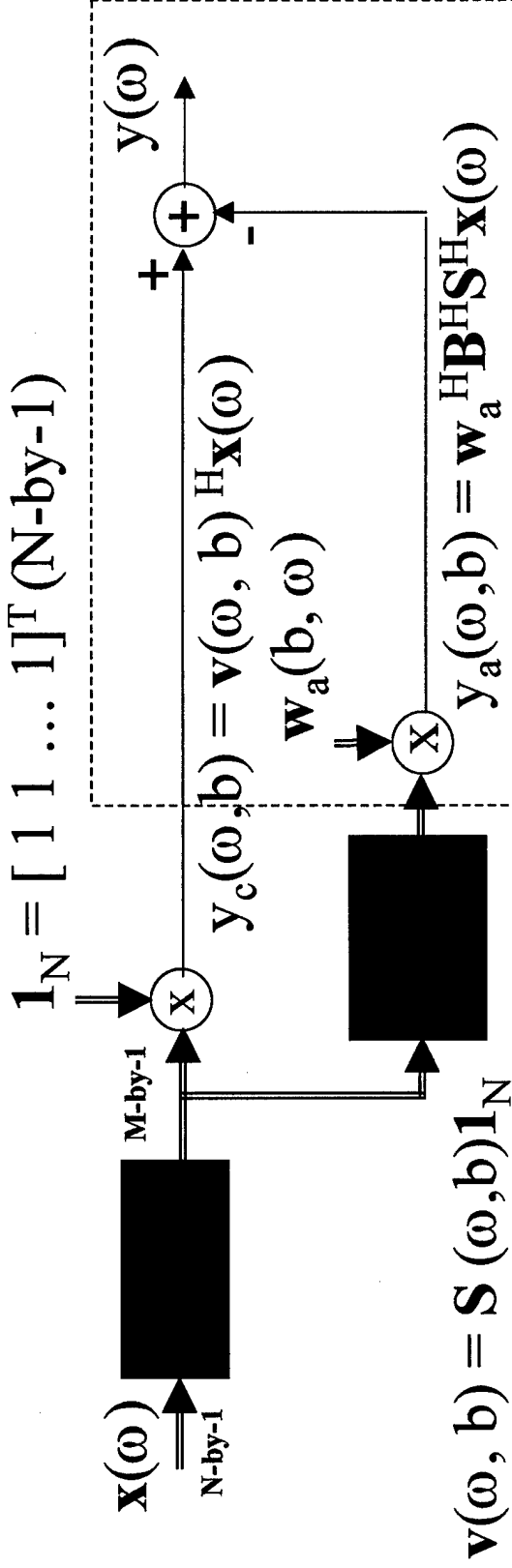
$$\mathbf{w}_a = \frac{1}{\mathbf{v}_a^H \mathbf{R}_{aa}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_a} \mathbf{R}_{aa}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_a$$





# GSC with Presteering and Signal Blocking Distortionless Response (DR)

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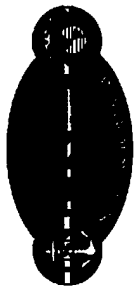
Unconstrained  
"Weiner Filter"

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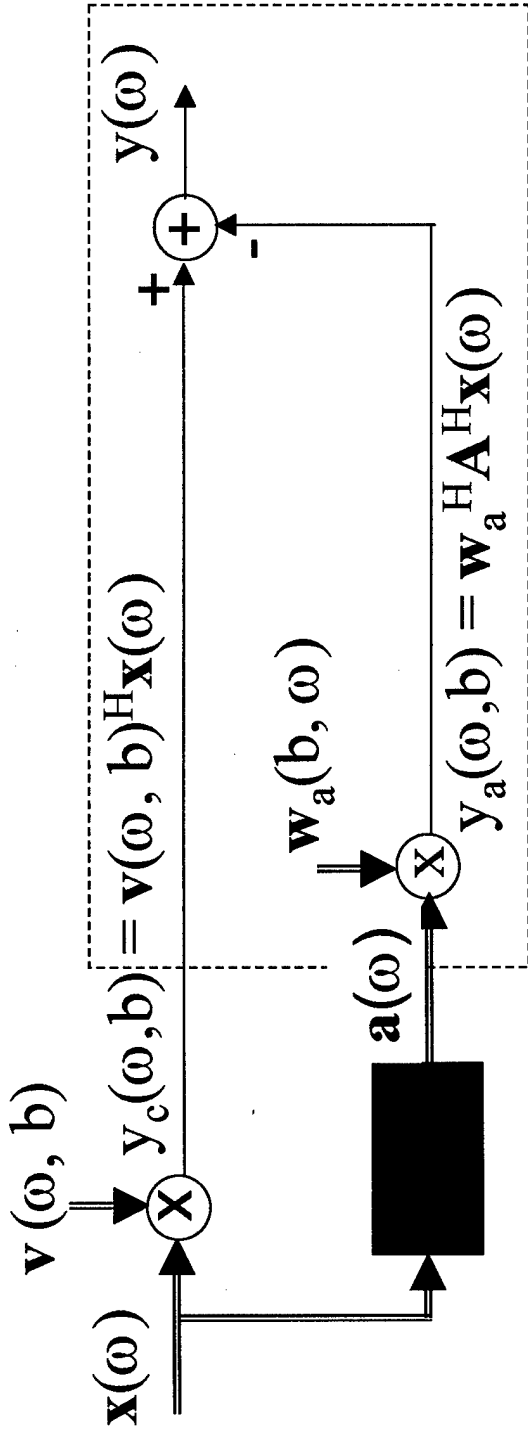
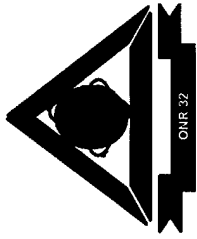
$$\mathbf{B}^H \mathbf{1}_N = \mathbf{0}_M = [0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0]^T \text{ (M-by-1)}$$

$$\mathbf{w}_a = [\mathbf{B}^H \mathbf{S}^H \mathbf{R}_{xx} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{B}]^{-1} \mathbf{B}^H \mathbf{S}^H \mathbf{R}_{xx} \mathbf{v}$$





# Steering Invariant DR Sidelobe Cancellation (SISC) Process



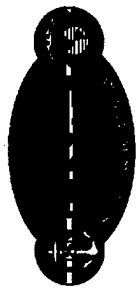
$v_a(\omega, b) = A(\omega)v(\omega, b)$

**Constrained Wiener Filter**

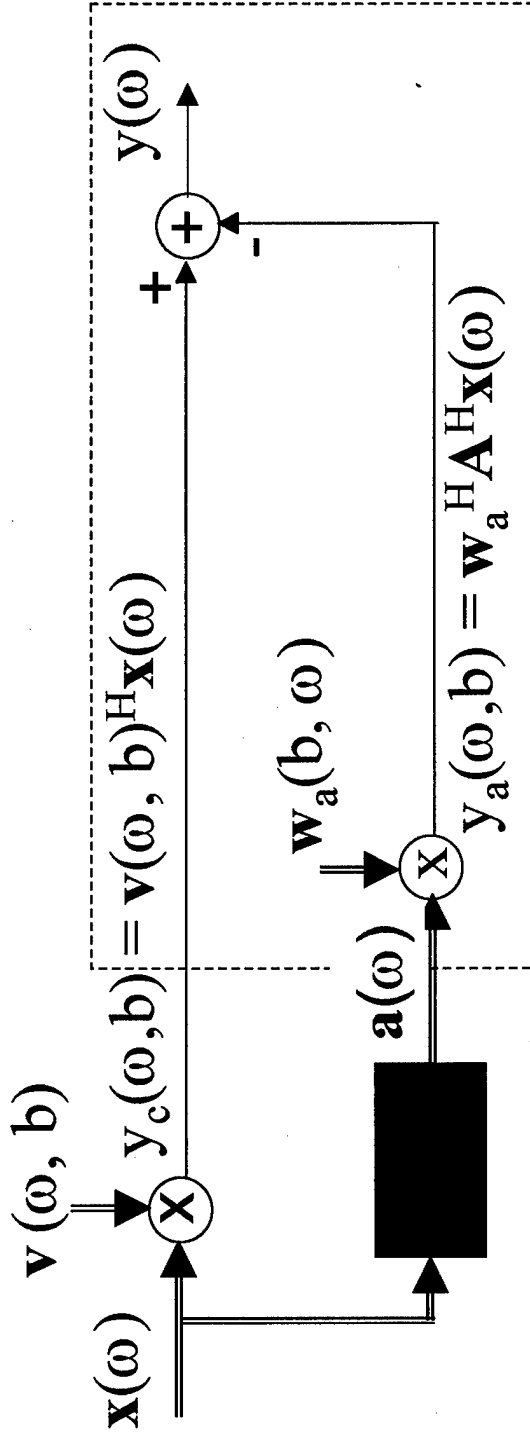
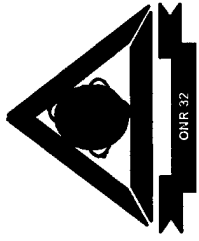
**Suppress  $\omega$  and  $b$ :**

$$\mathbf{w}_a = \mathbf{R}_{aa}^{-1} \left( \mathbf{r}_{ac} - \left( \frac{\mathbf{r}_{ac}^H \mathbf{R}_{aa}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_a}{\mathbf{v}_a^H \mathbf{R}_{aa}^{-1} \mathbf{v}_a} \right) \mathbf{v}_a \right)$$





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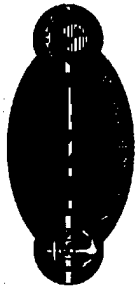
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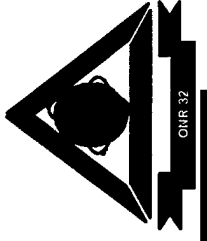
**Suppress  $\omega$  and b:**

$$\mathbf{W} = \frac{\mathbf{V} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{W}_a}{1 - \mathbf{W}_a^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{V}} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{w}_a = \mathbf{R}_{aa}^{-1} (\mathbf{r}_{ac} - \alpha \mathbf{v}_a)$$





# Robust Robustness (RR): Robustness Management



CBF ( $\mathbf{v}$ ) and unconstrained ABF ( $\mathbf{w}_0$ ) linear blend

$$\mathbf{w} = (1 - \beta) \mathbf{v} + \beta \mathbf{w}_0,$$

where on a beam-by-beam as-needed basis (RR),

$$\beta = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } |\mathbf{w}_0 - \mathbf{v}|^2 \leq G \\ \frac{G^{1/2}}{|\mathbf{w}_0 - \mathbf{v}|}, & \text{for } |\mathbf{w}_0 - \mathbf{v}|^2 > G \end{cases}$$

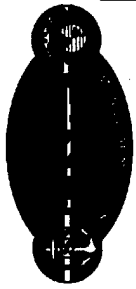
$$G = WNGC - 1.$$

For a Sidelobe Cancellation ABF

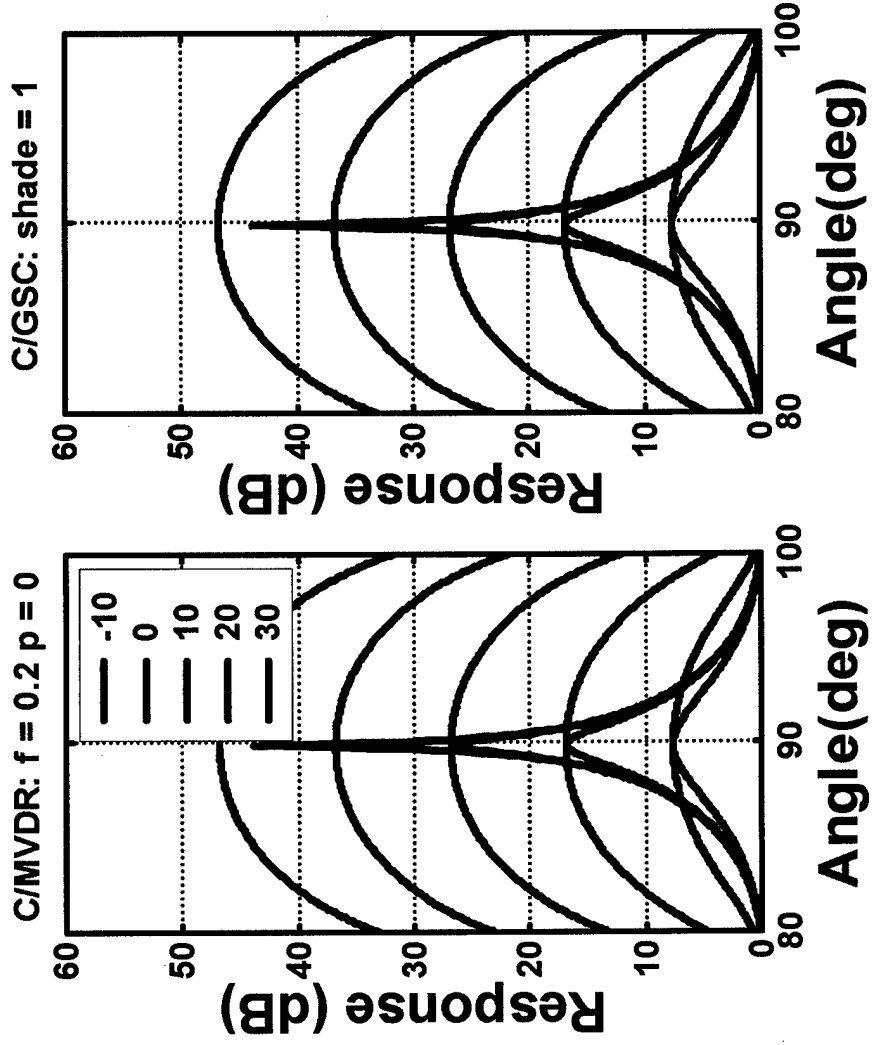
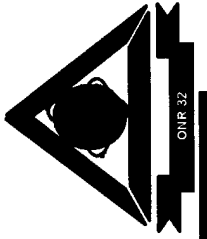
$$\mathbf{w}_0 = \mathbf{v} - A\mathbf{w}_a$$

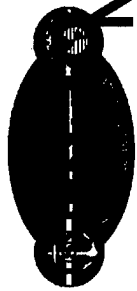
and the

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{v} - \beta A\mathbf{w}_a \text{ (really simple!).}$$



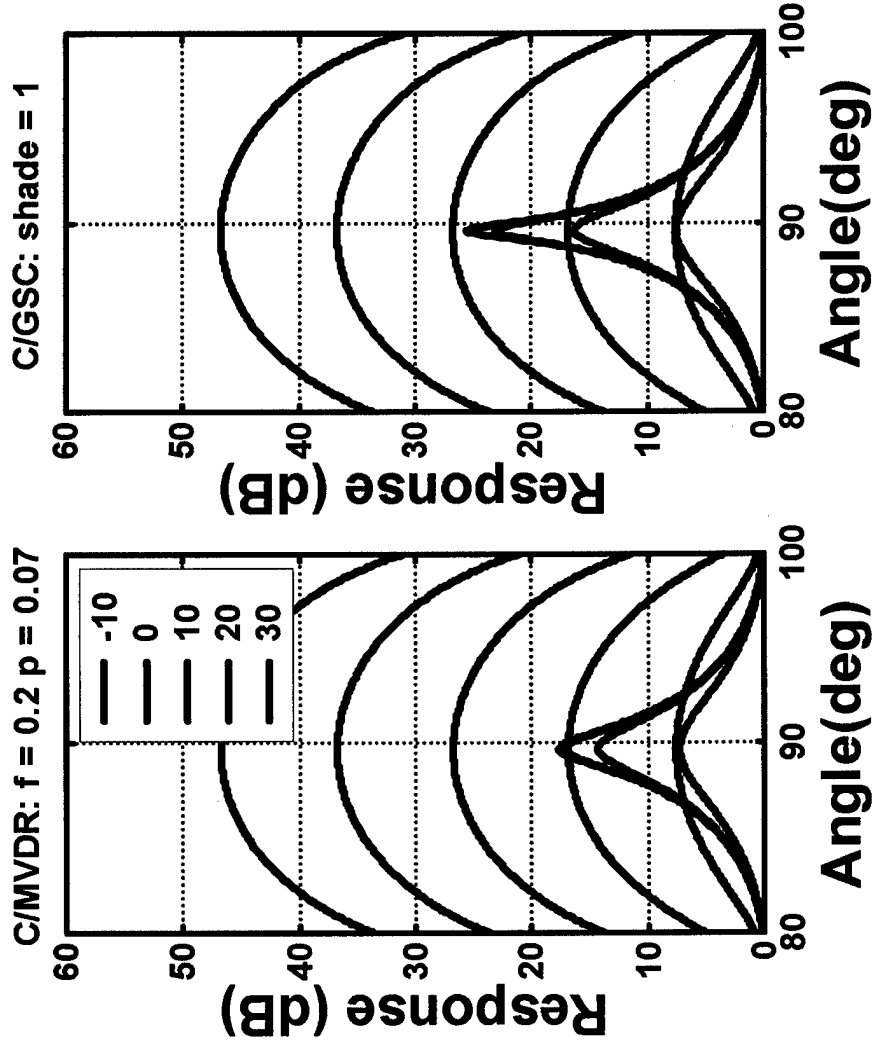
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**NumHydPerGroup = 6 (M = 8, N = 48, pert=0.)**

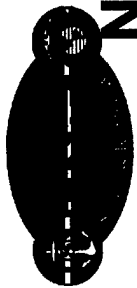




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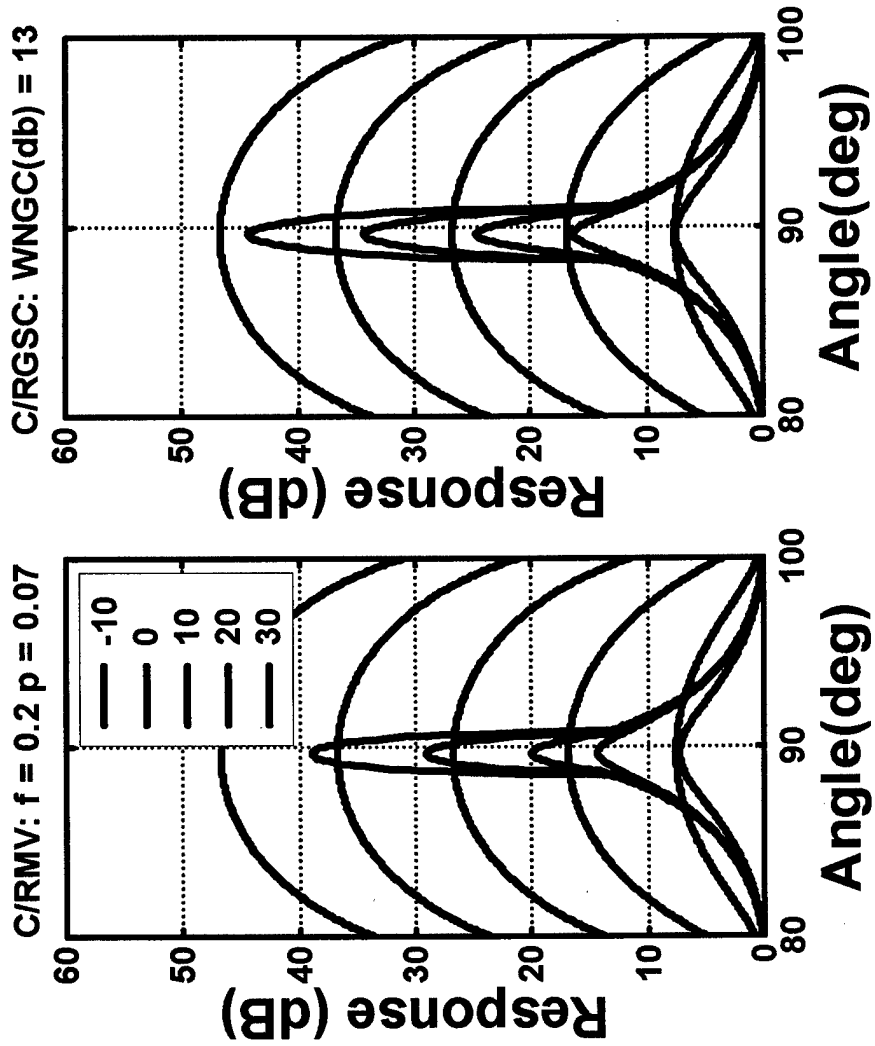
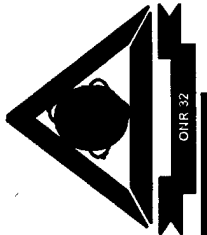
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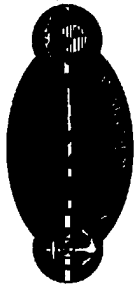




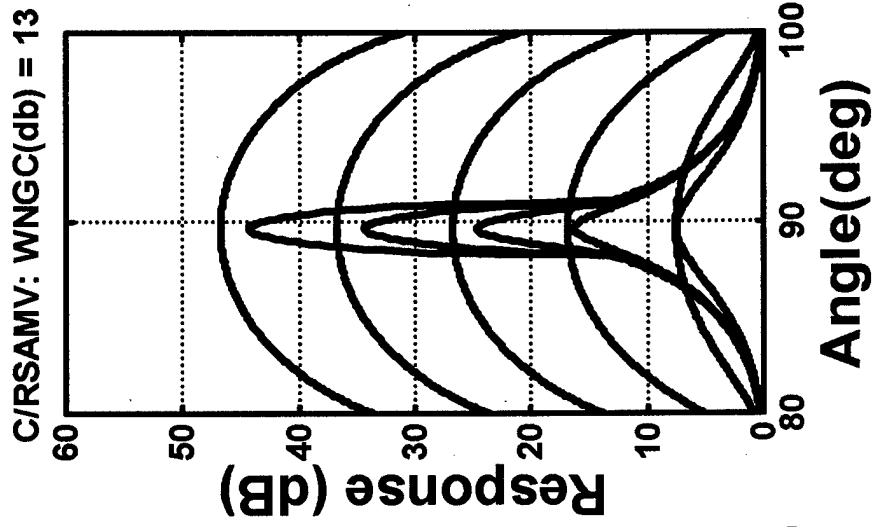
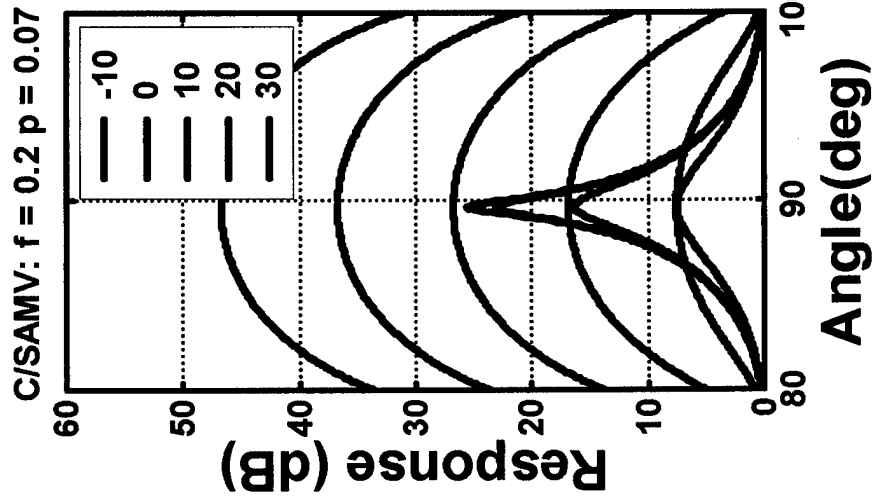
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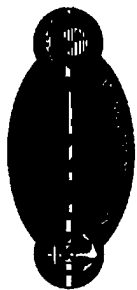
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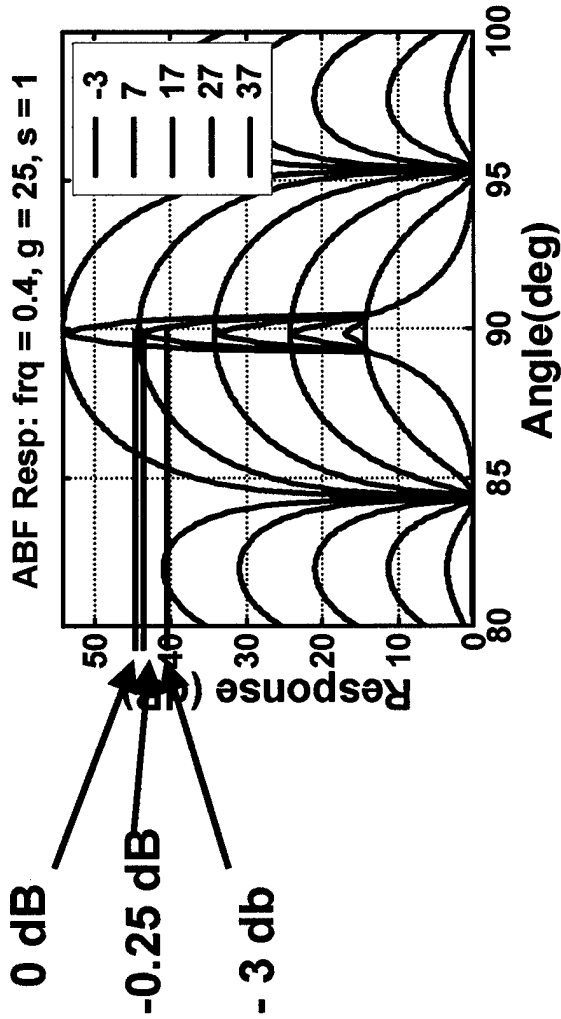
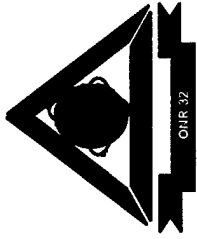
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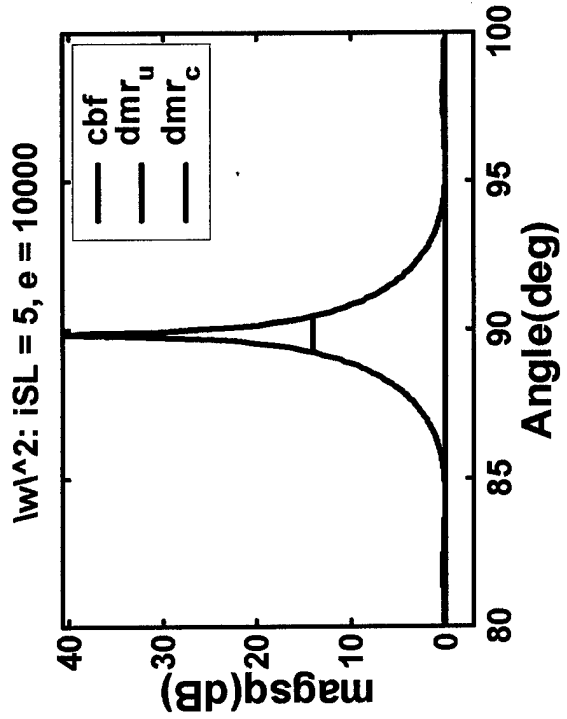


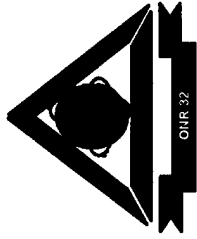
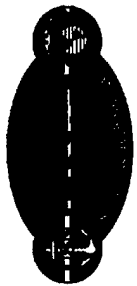
# Blended CBF-DMR Point Design

(Owsley, SAM 02)



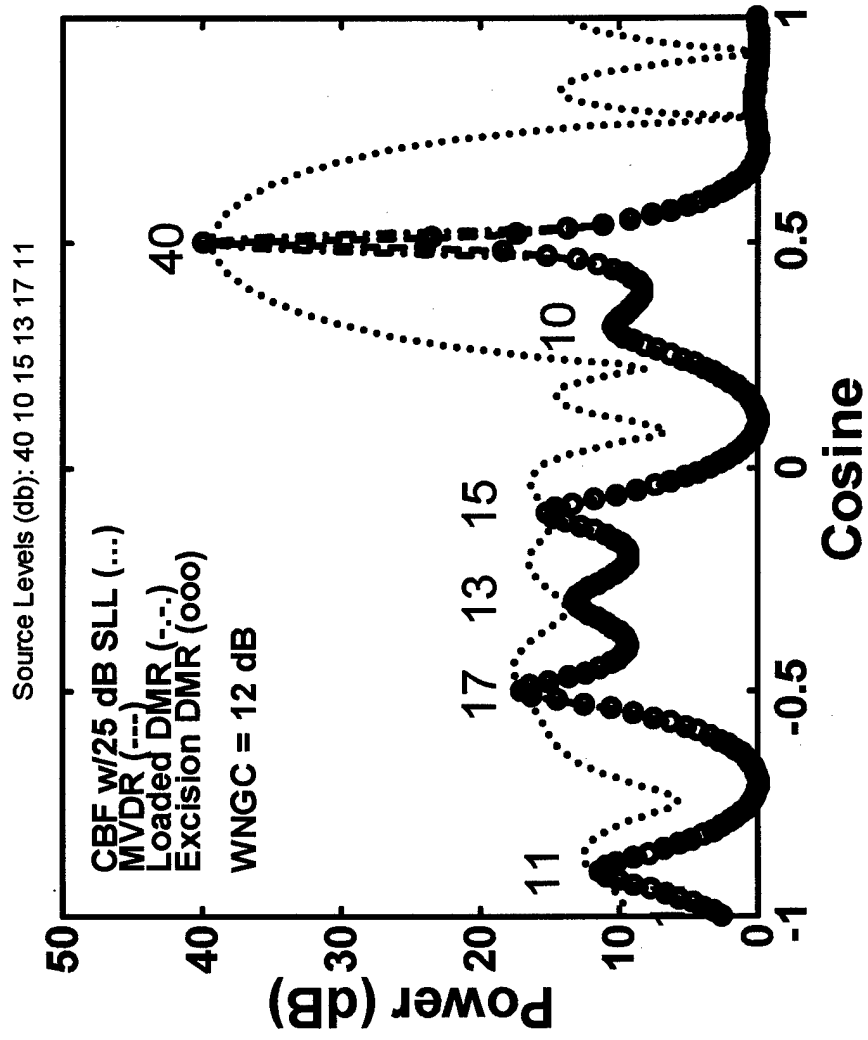
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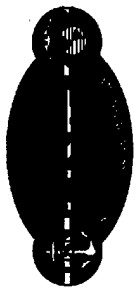




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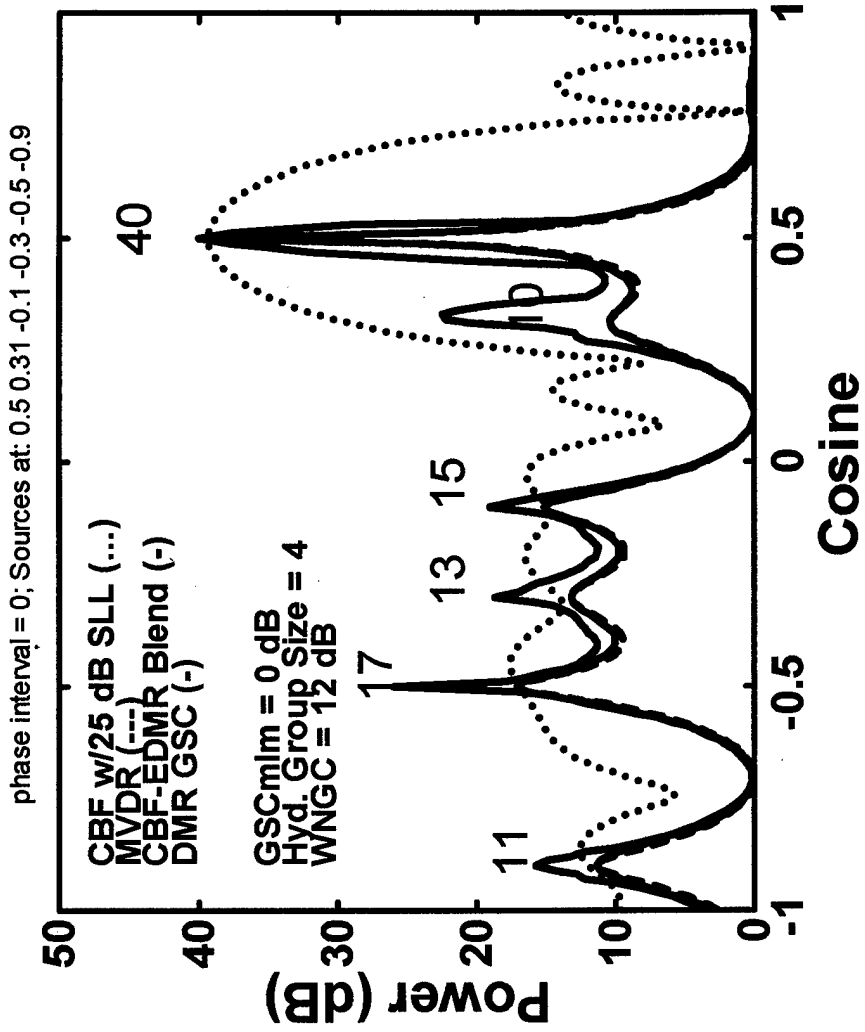
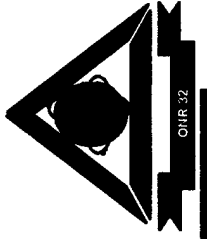
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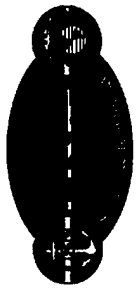




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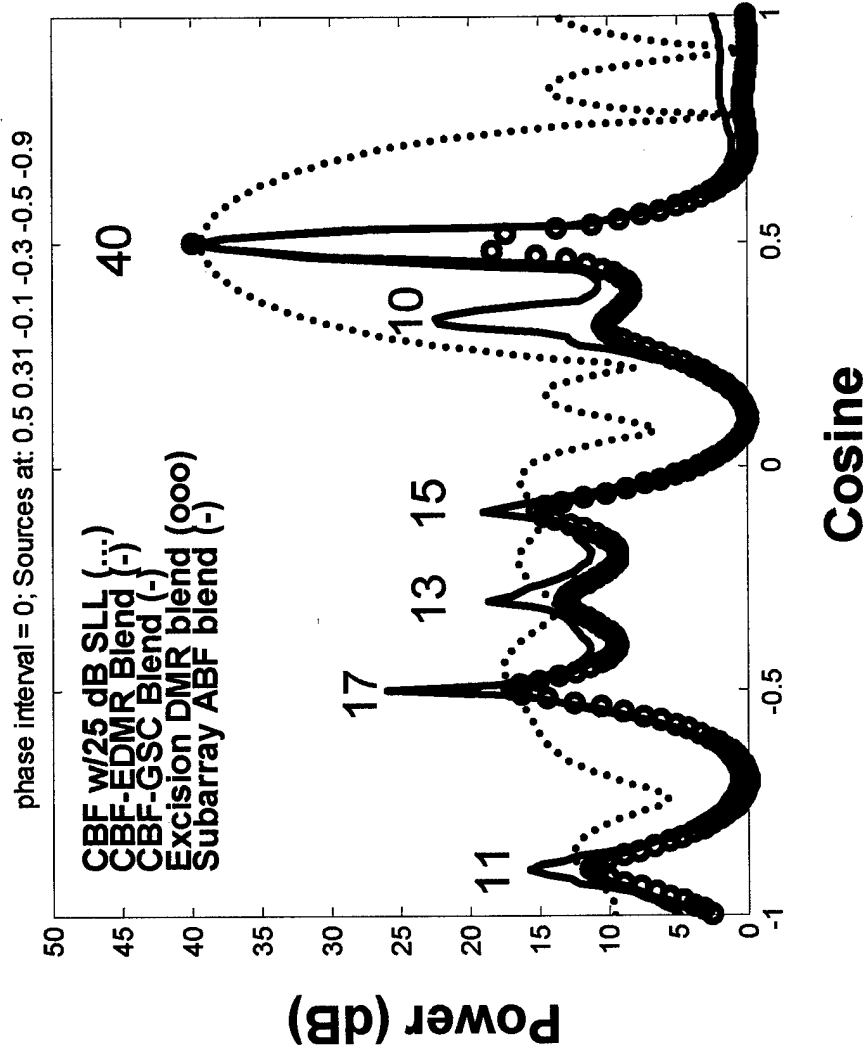
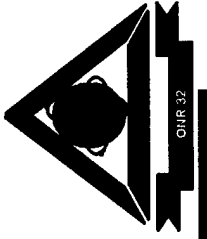
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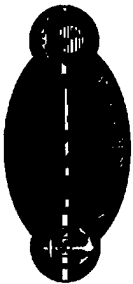




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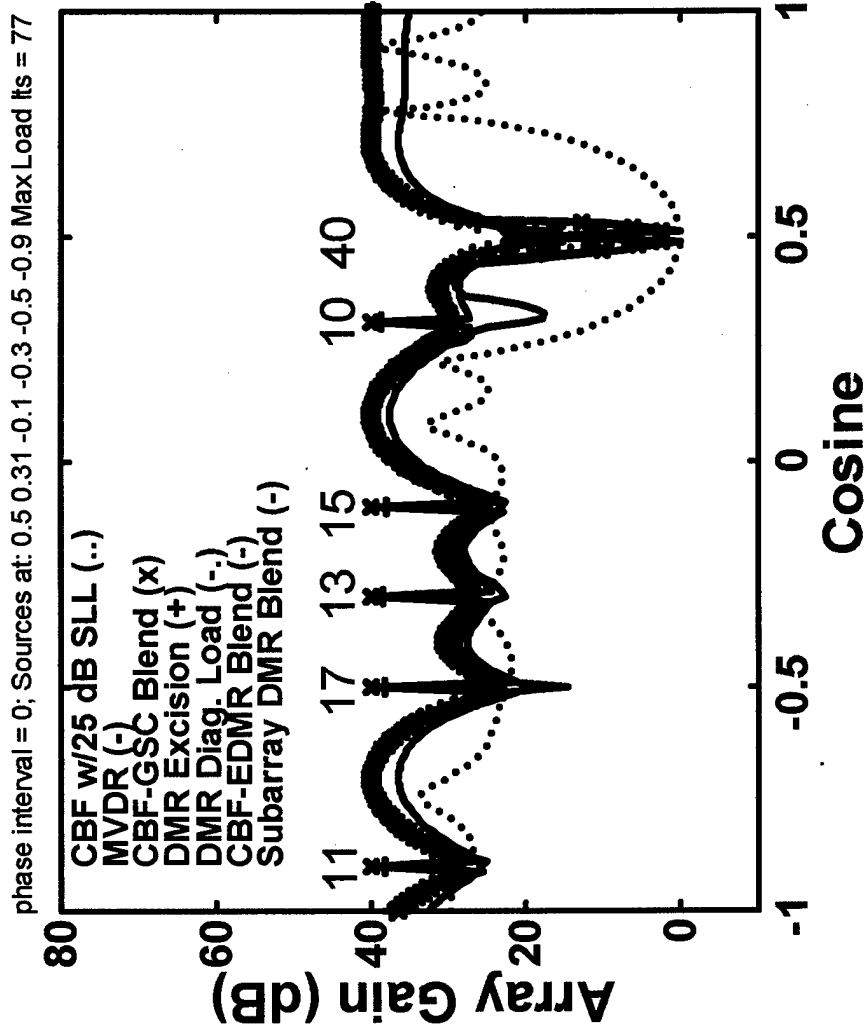
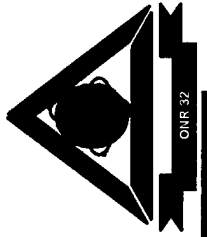
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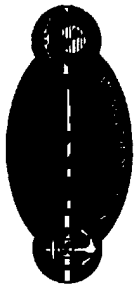




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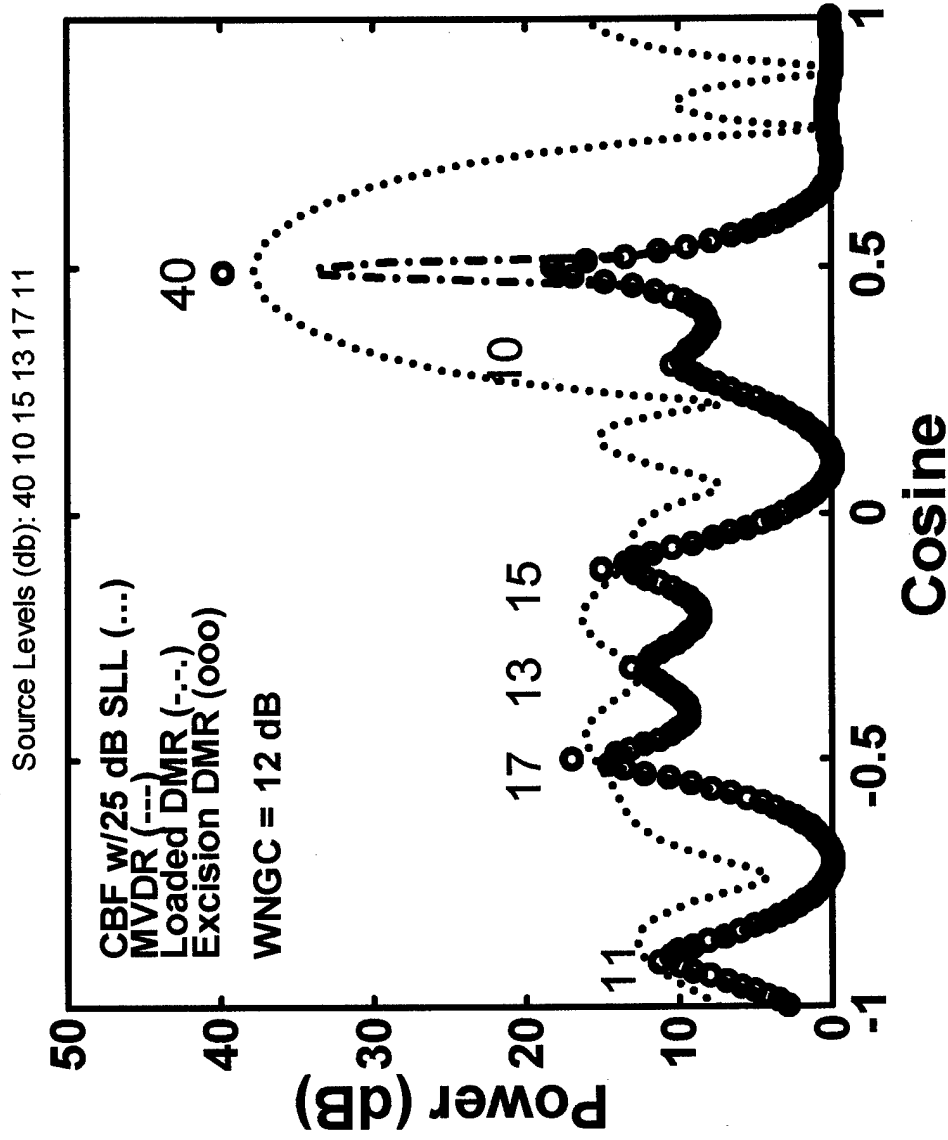
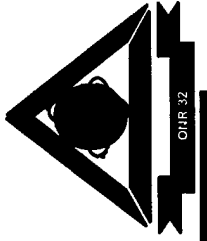
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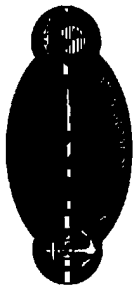




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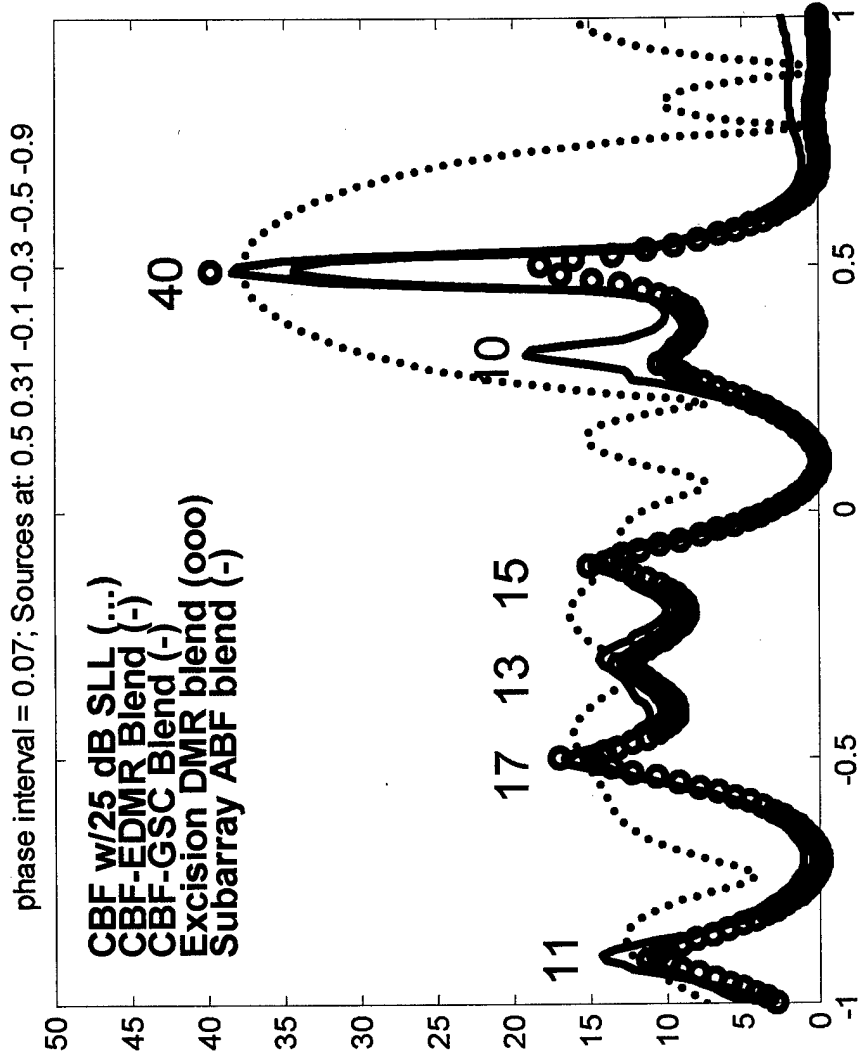
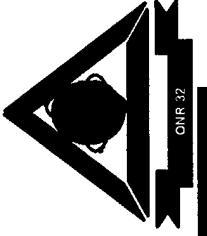
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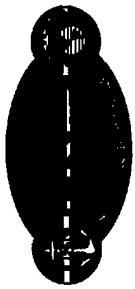




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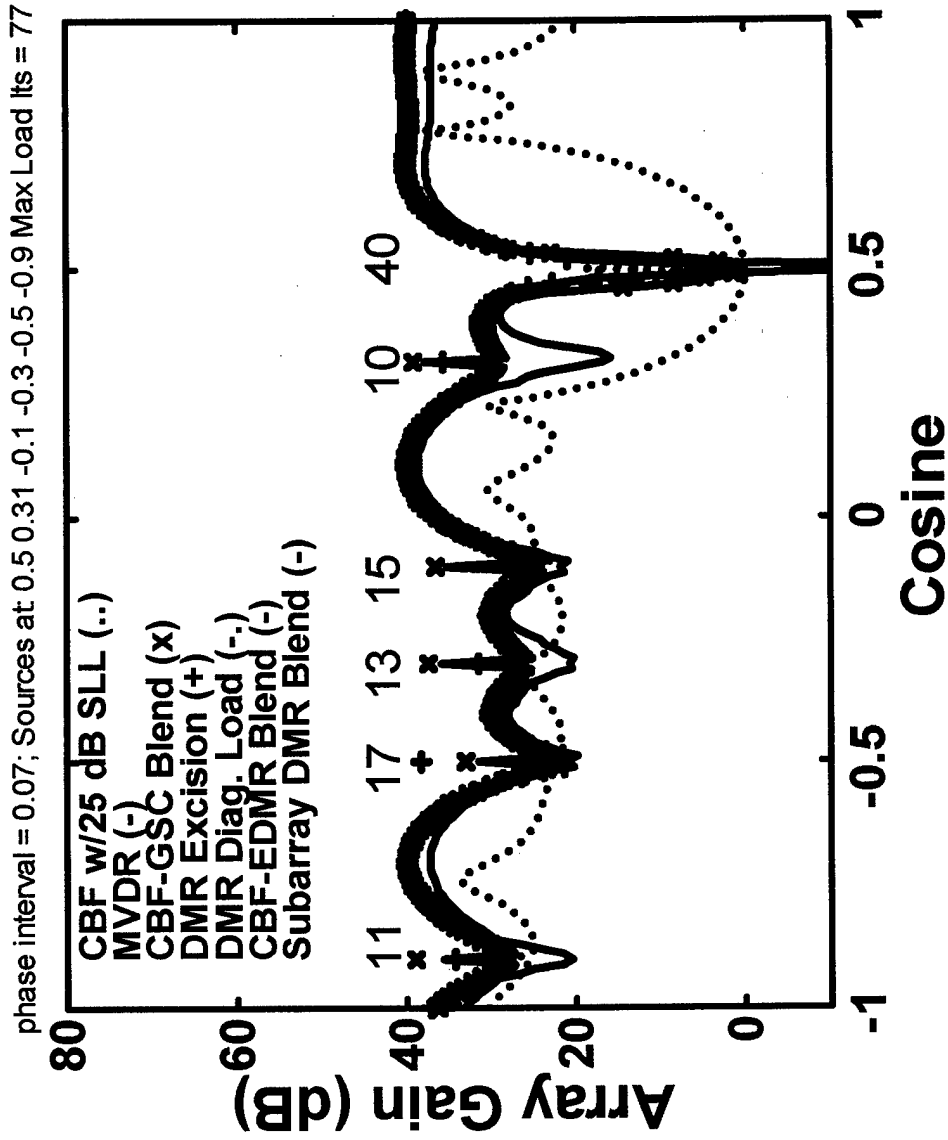
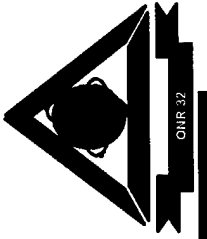
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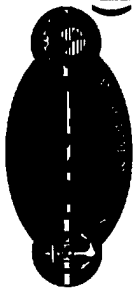




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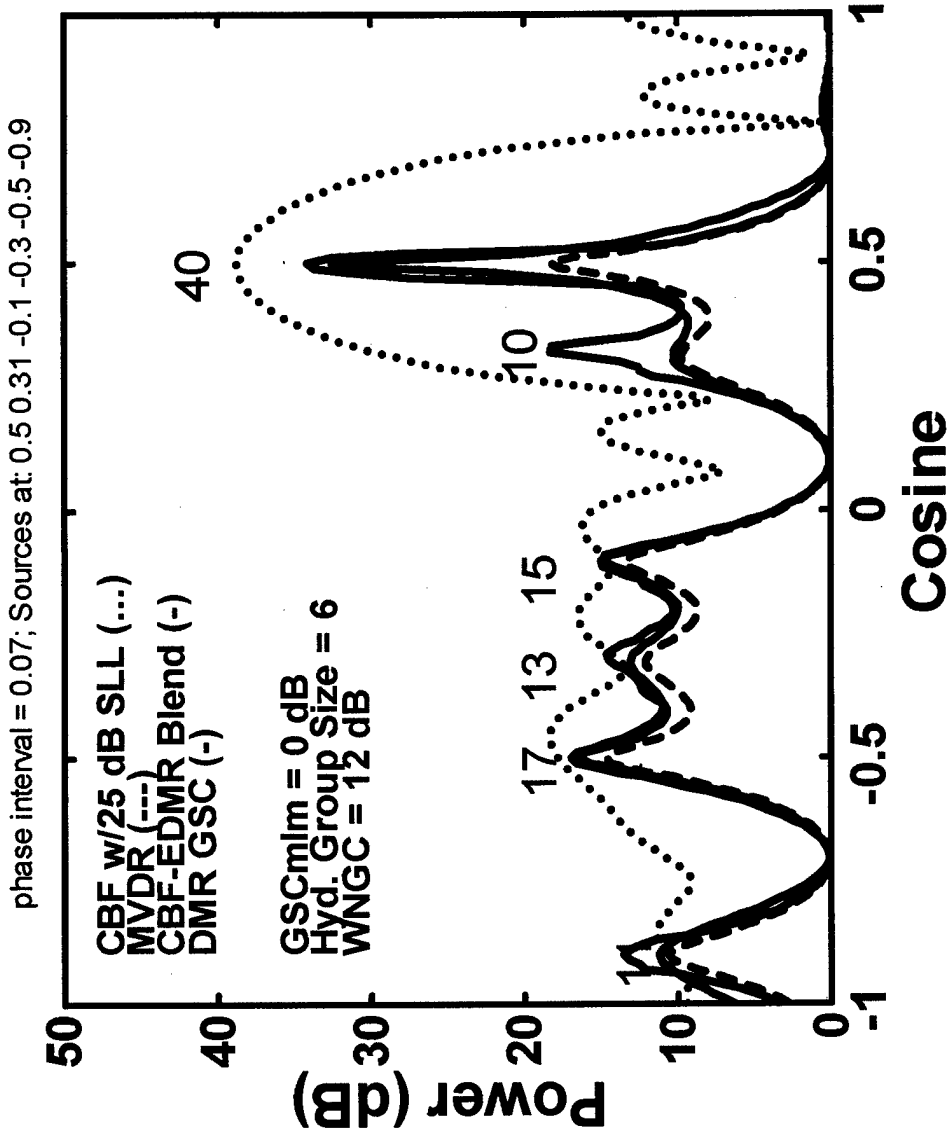
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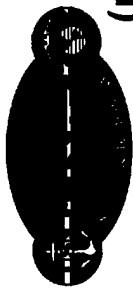




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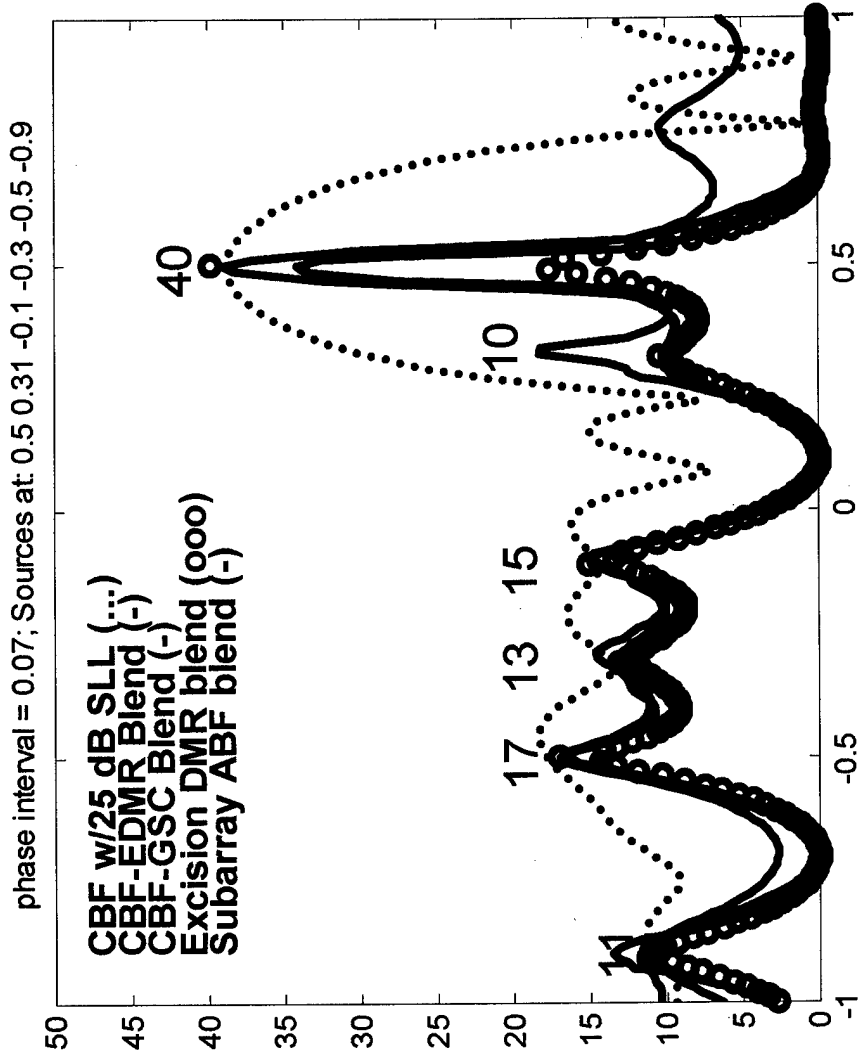
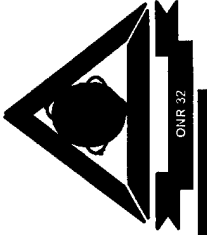
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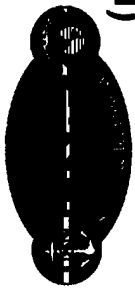




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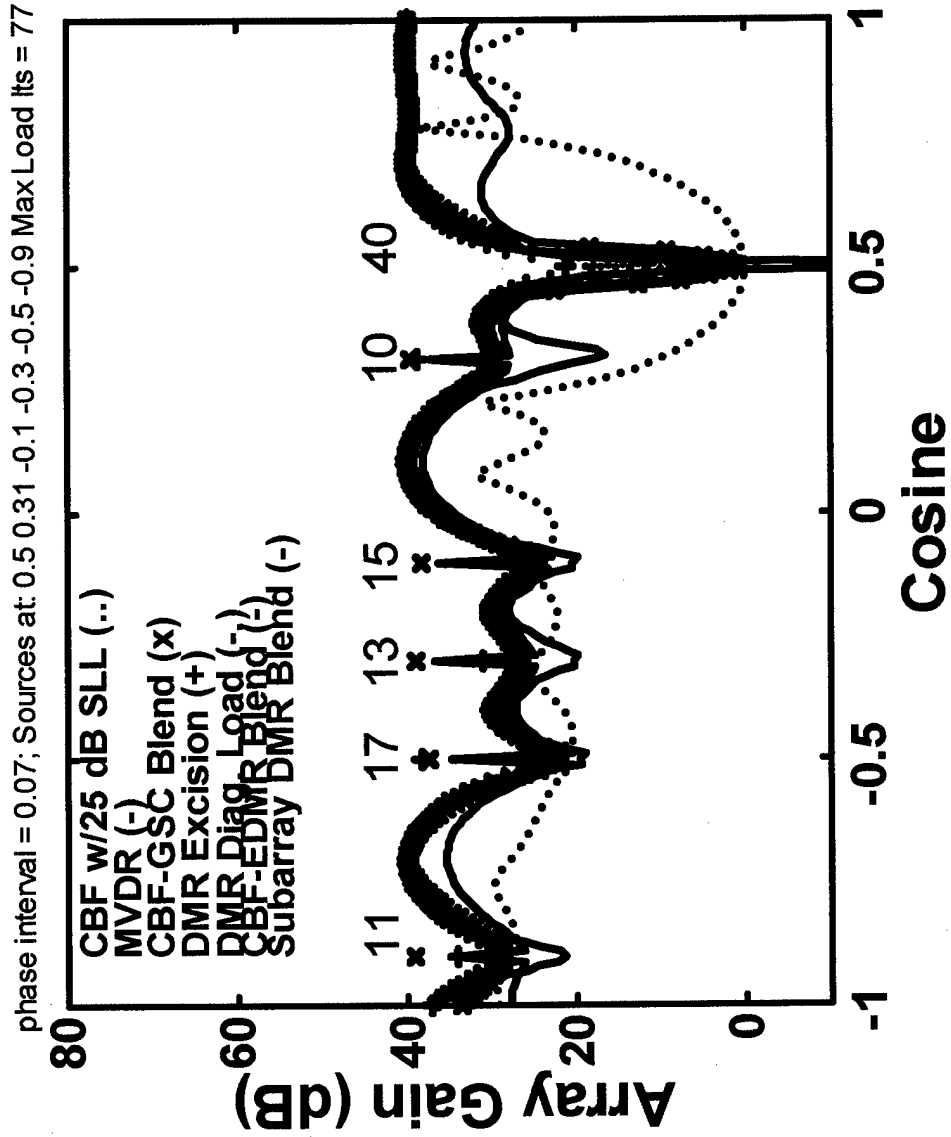
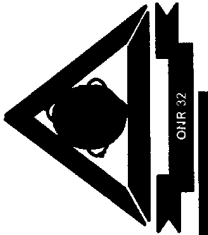
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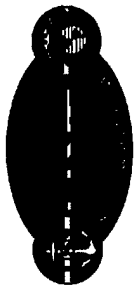




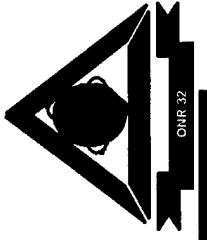
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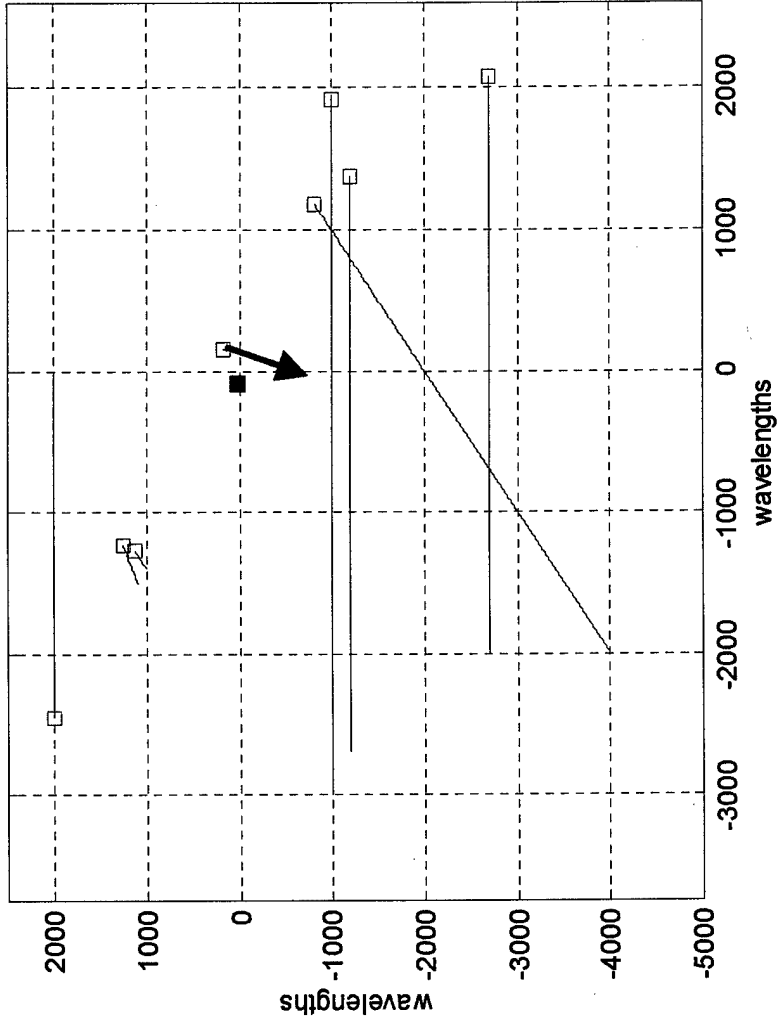


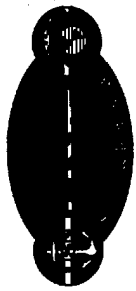


# Ship Tracks: 30 Minute Event



Multiple Source Tracks Re: Own Ship at Origin



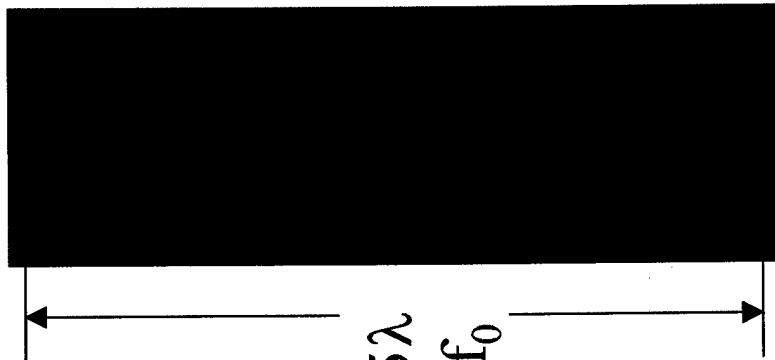


# ONR Acoustic Observatory Segment

(L = 1, N = 48) or (L = 4, N = 192)



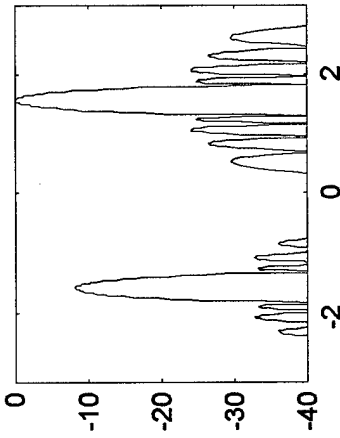
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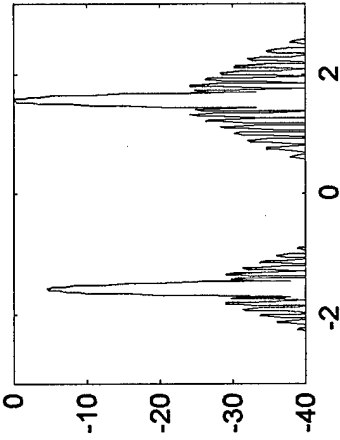
$23.5\lambda$   
at  $f_0$

$f = 1.0$  at  $f_0$

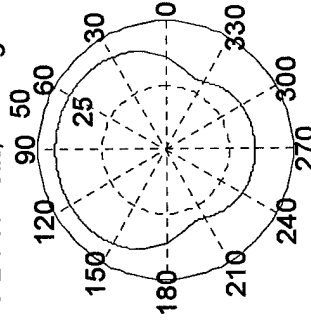
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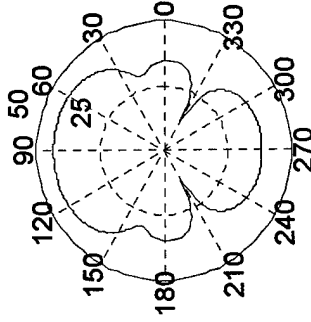
Horizontal Beam Pattern:  $f = 0.4$



V B P:  $f = 0.2, \text{ shading} = 4$



V B P:  $f = 0.4$



$\leftarrow 0.2\lambda$  at  $f = 0.4$  (auxiliary array 2 hyd. groups)  
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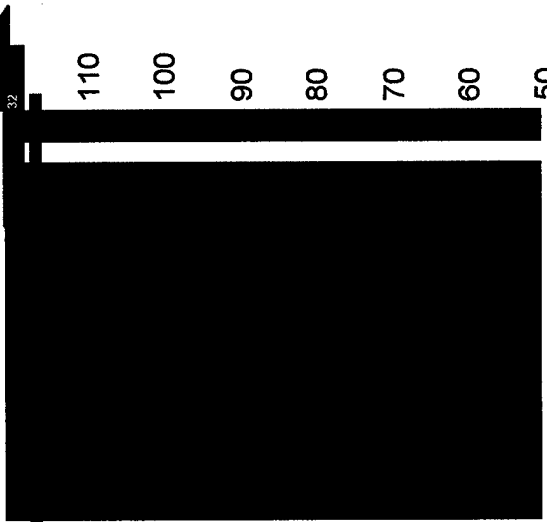
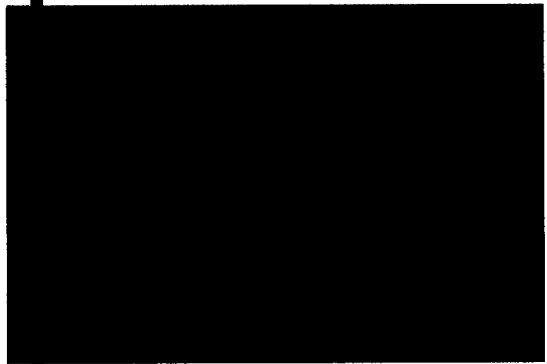
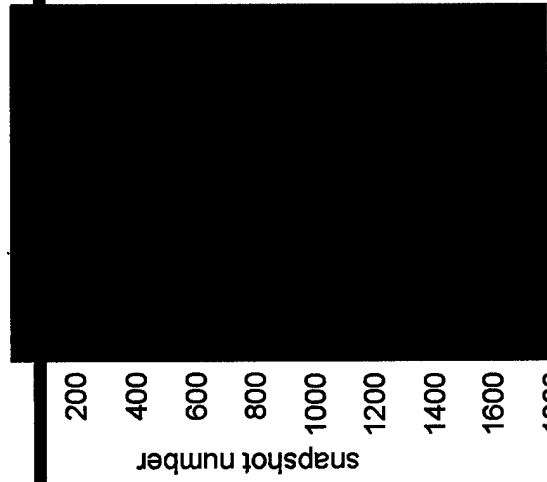
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(L = 1, N = 48) CBF

ES (Na = 48)

SISC(Na = 12)

SAPP (Na = 12)

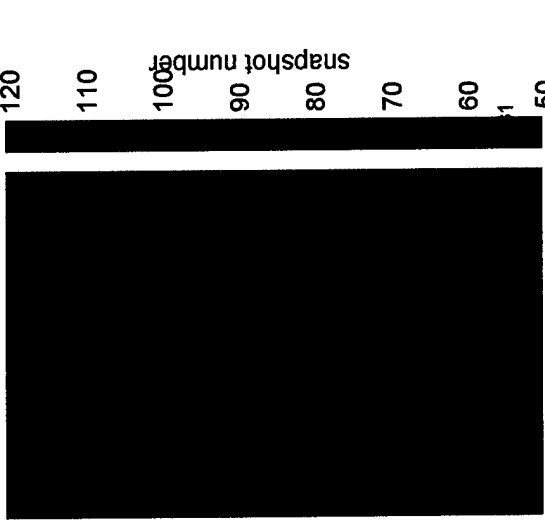
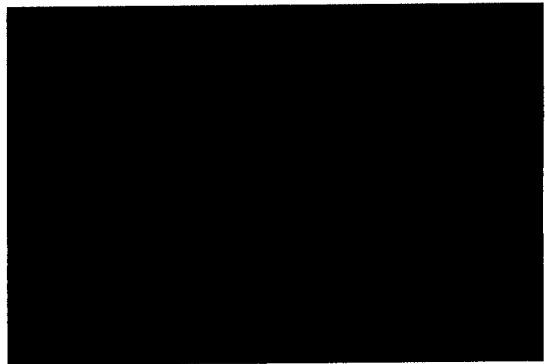
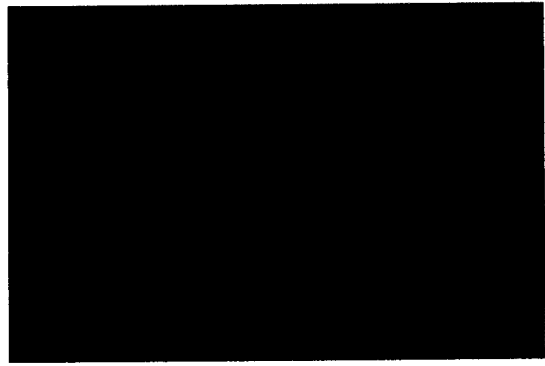
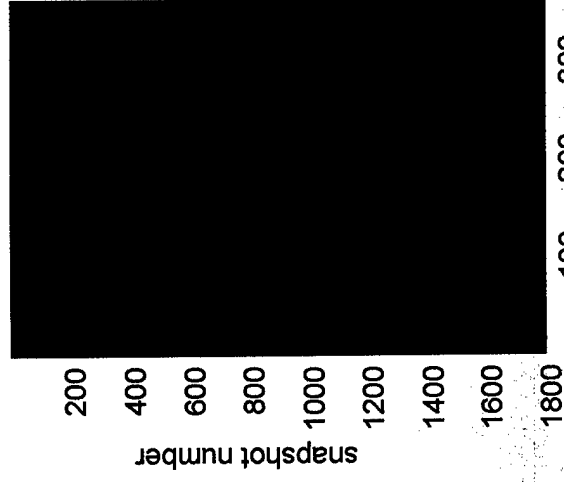


(L = 4, N = 192) CBF

ES (Na = 192)

SISC(Na = 24)

SAPP (Na = 48)



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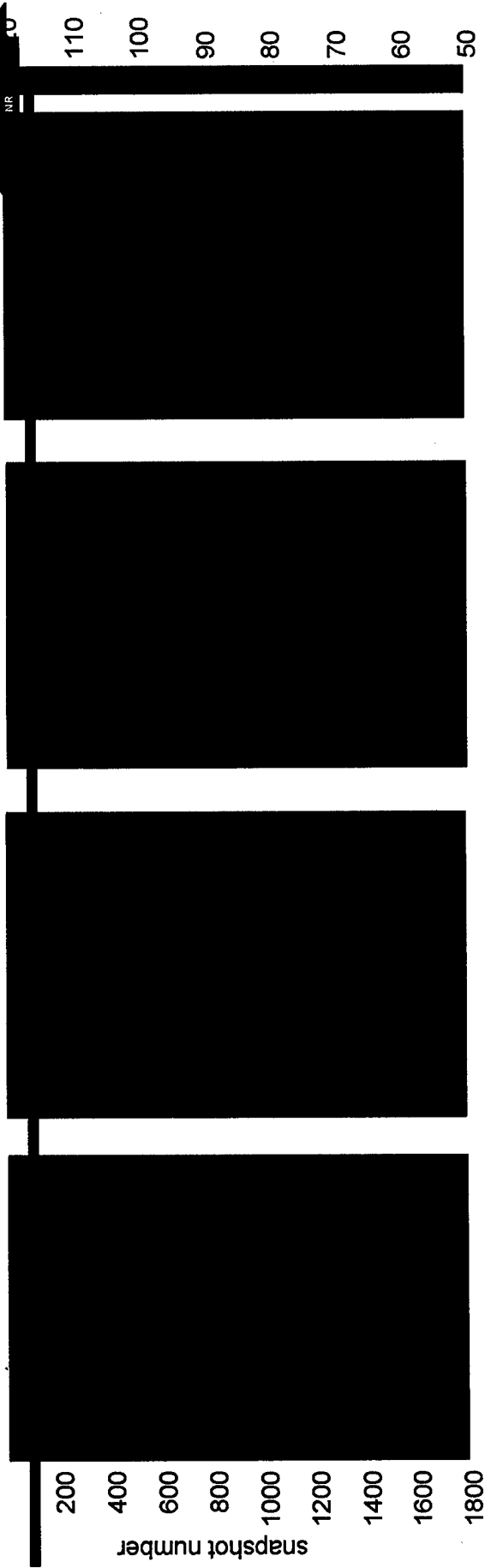


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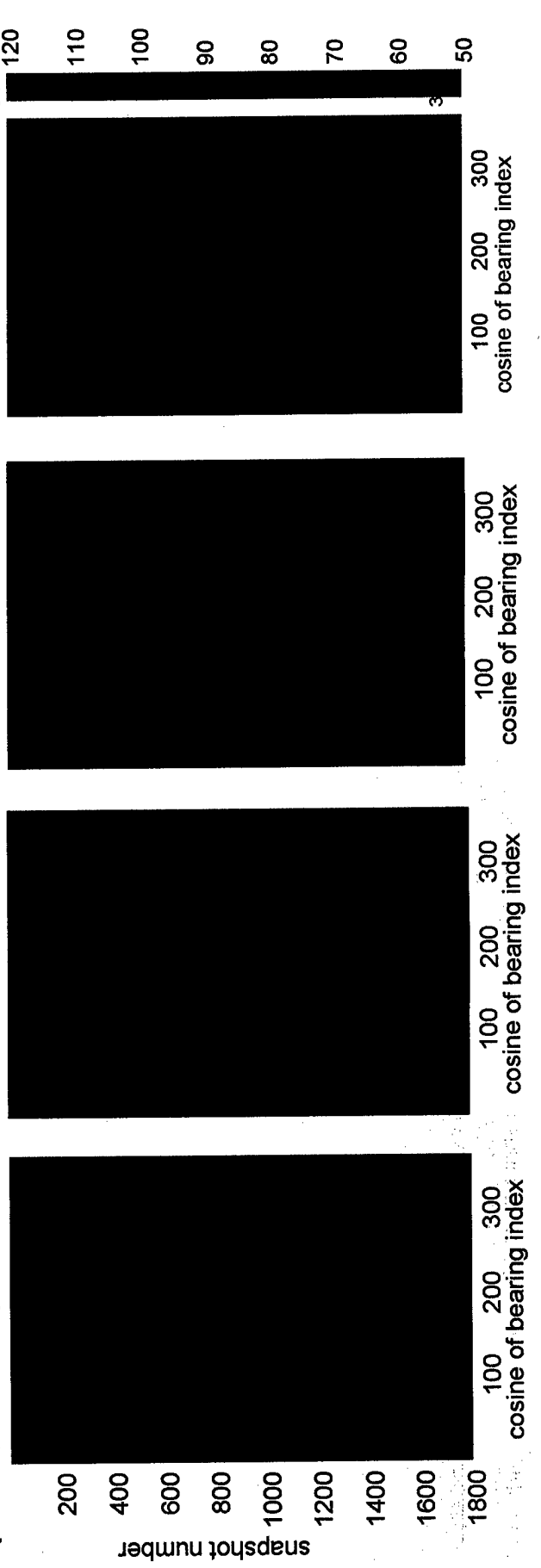


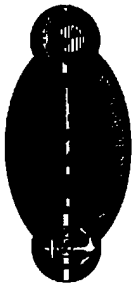
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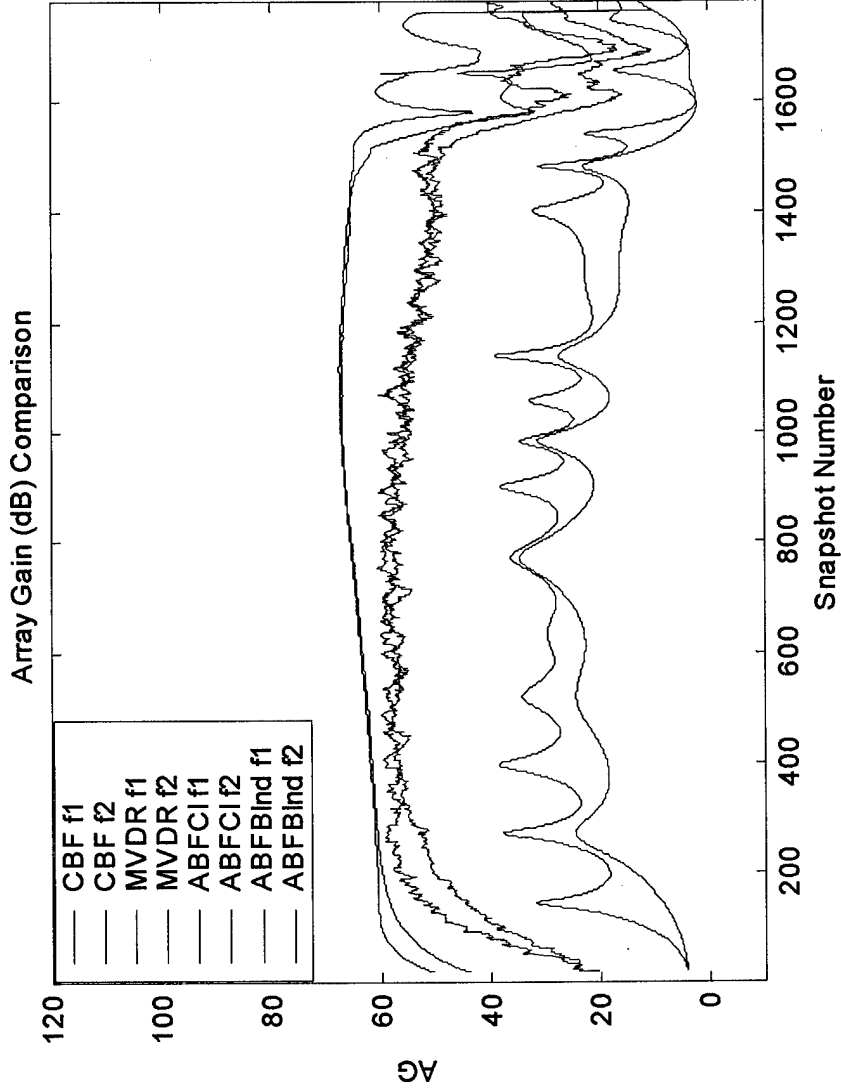
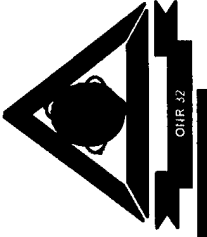
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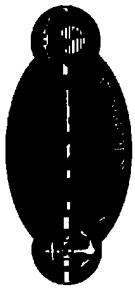




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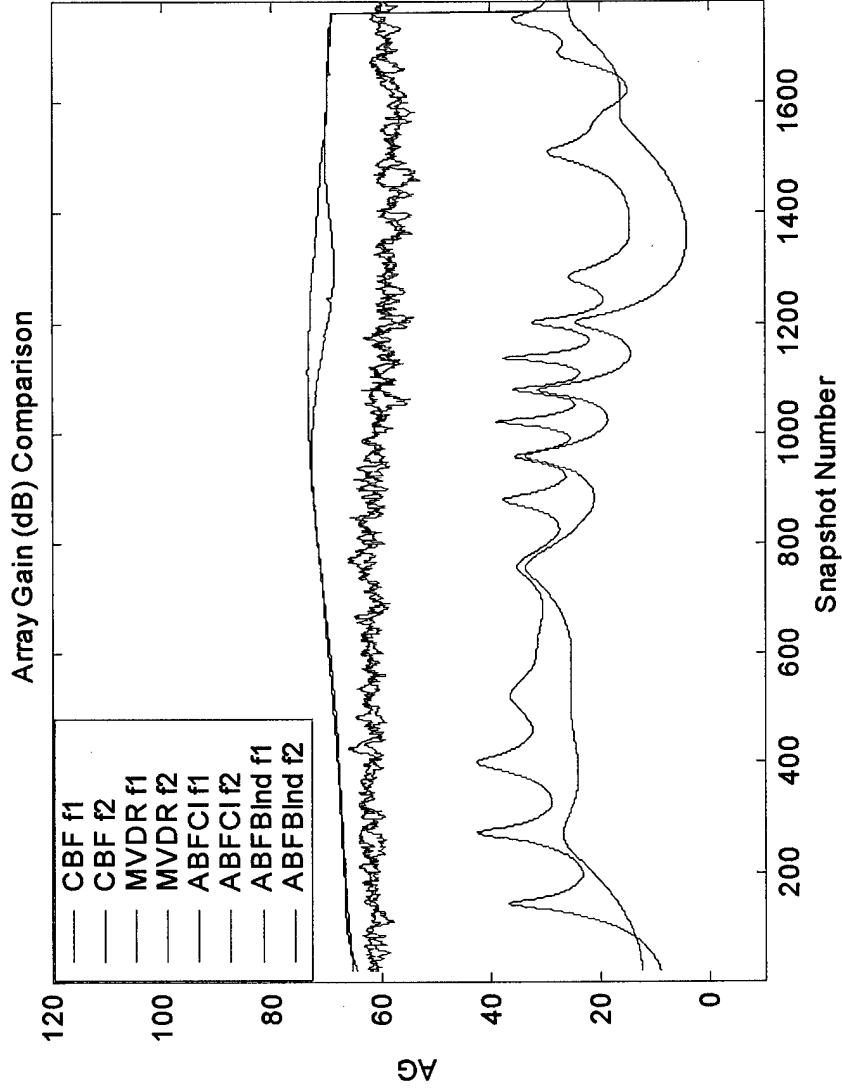
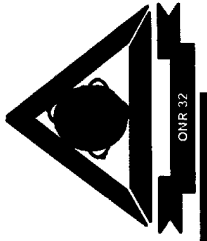
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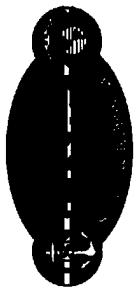




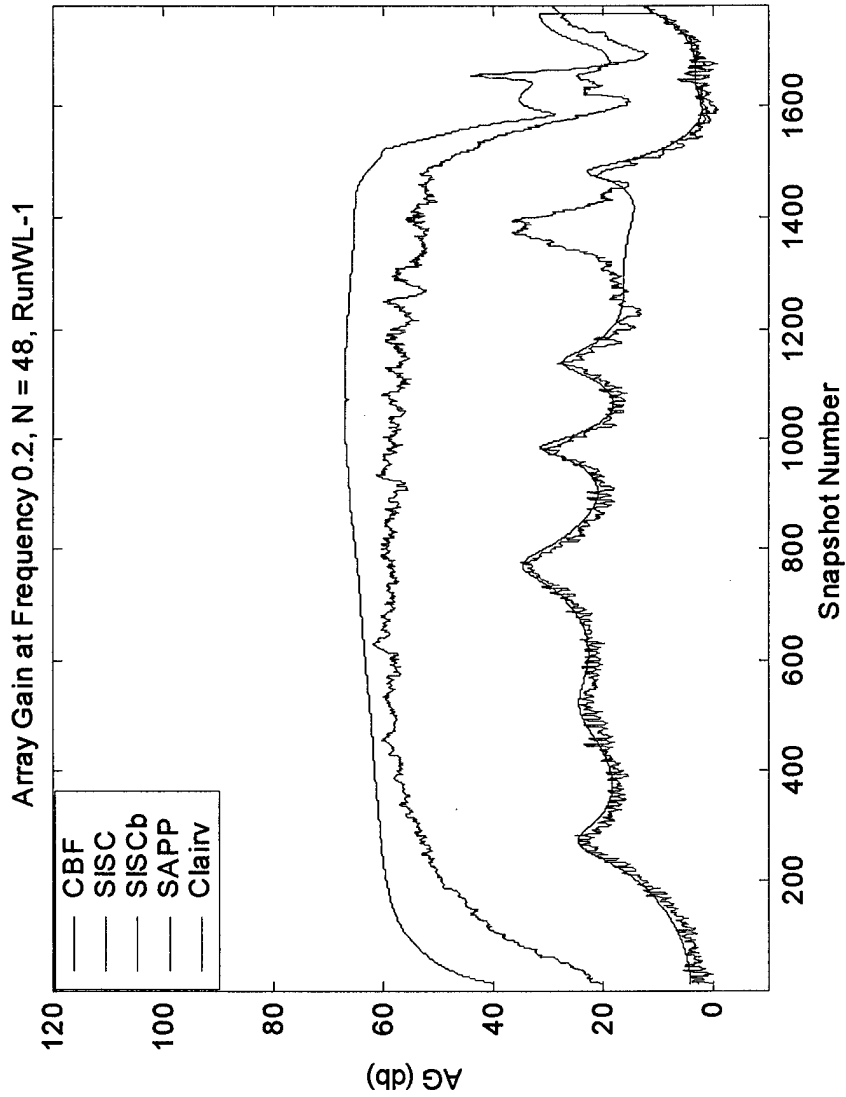
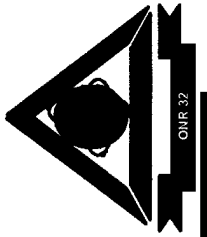
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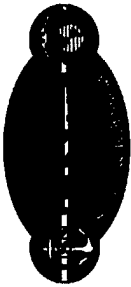
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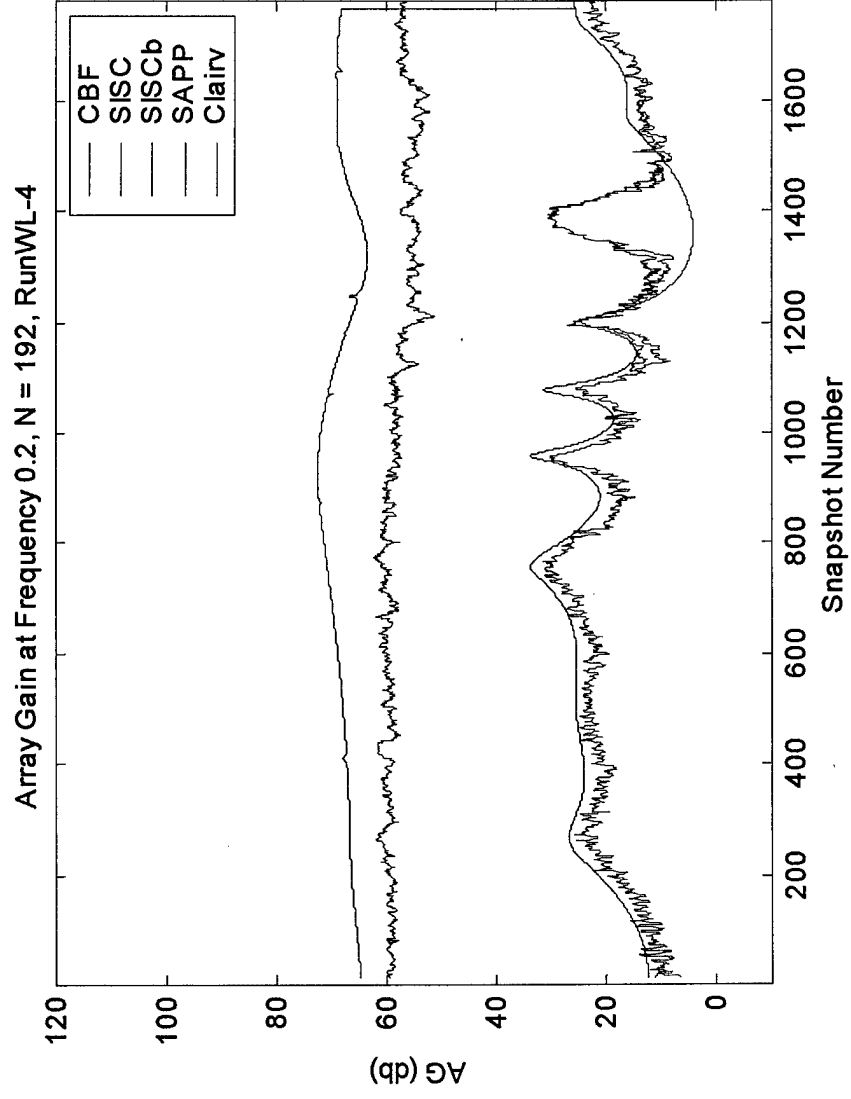
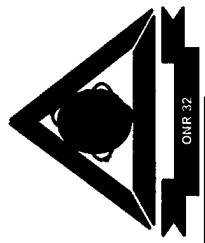


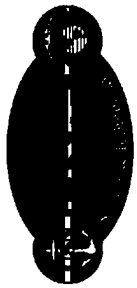
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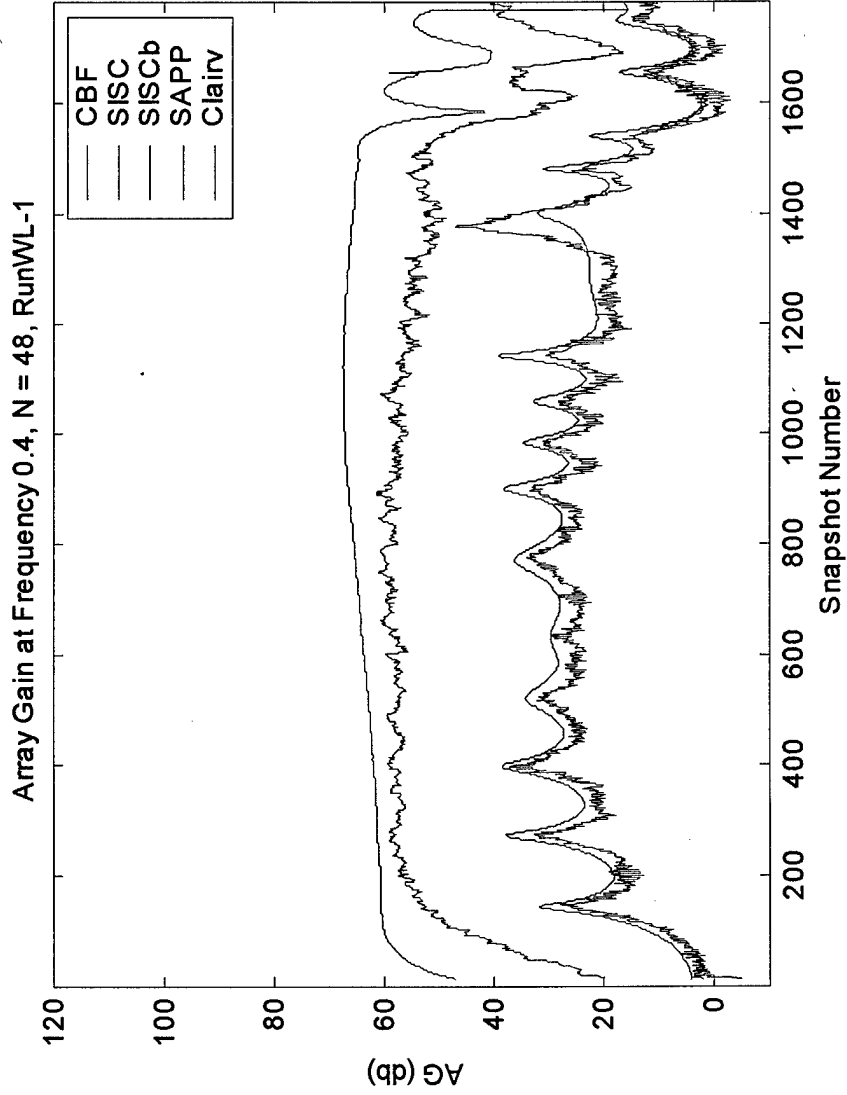
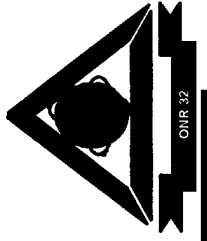


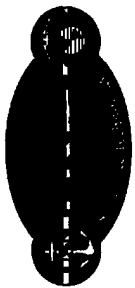
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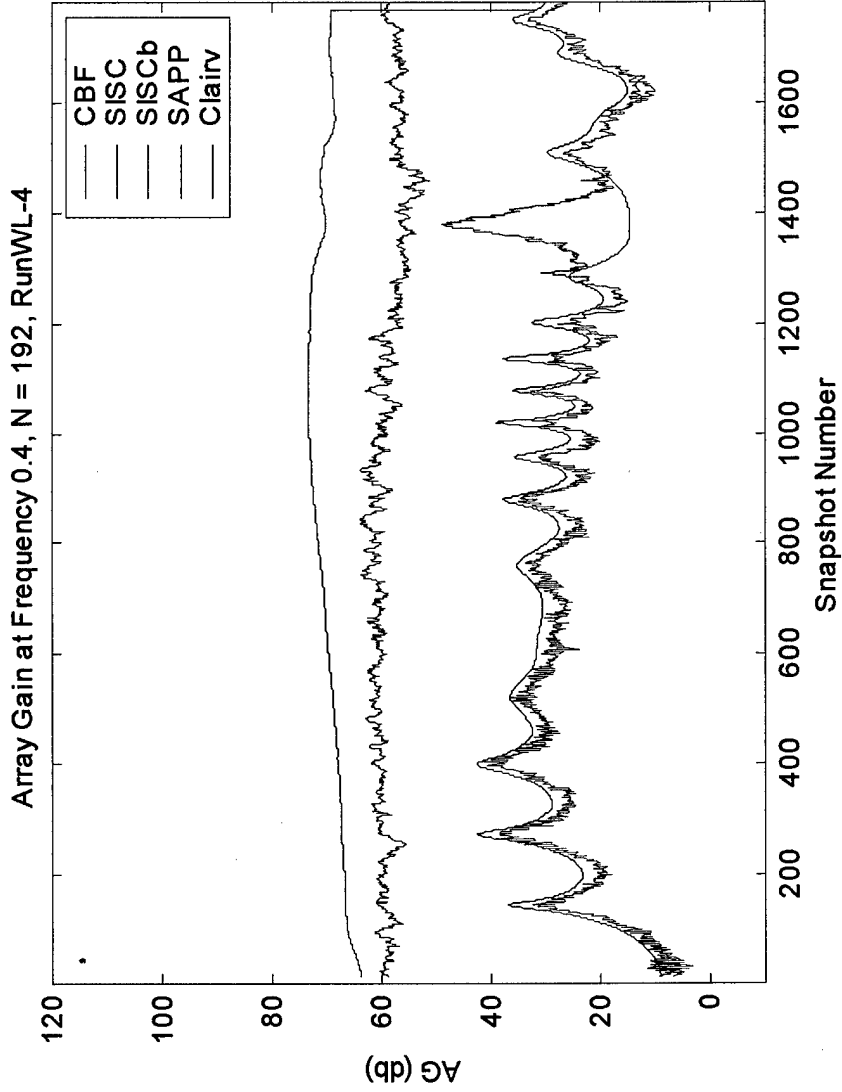
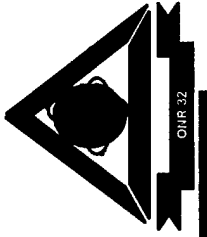


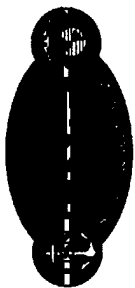
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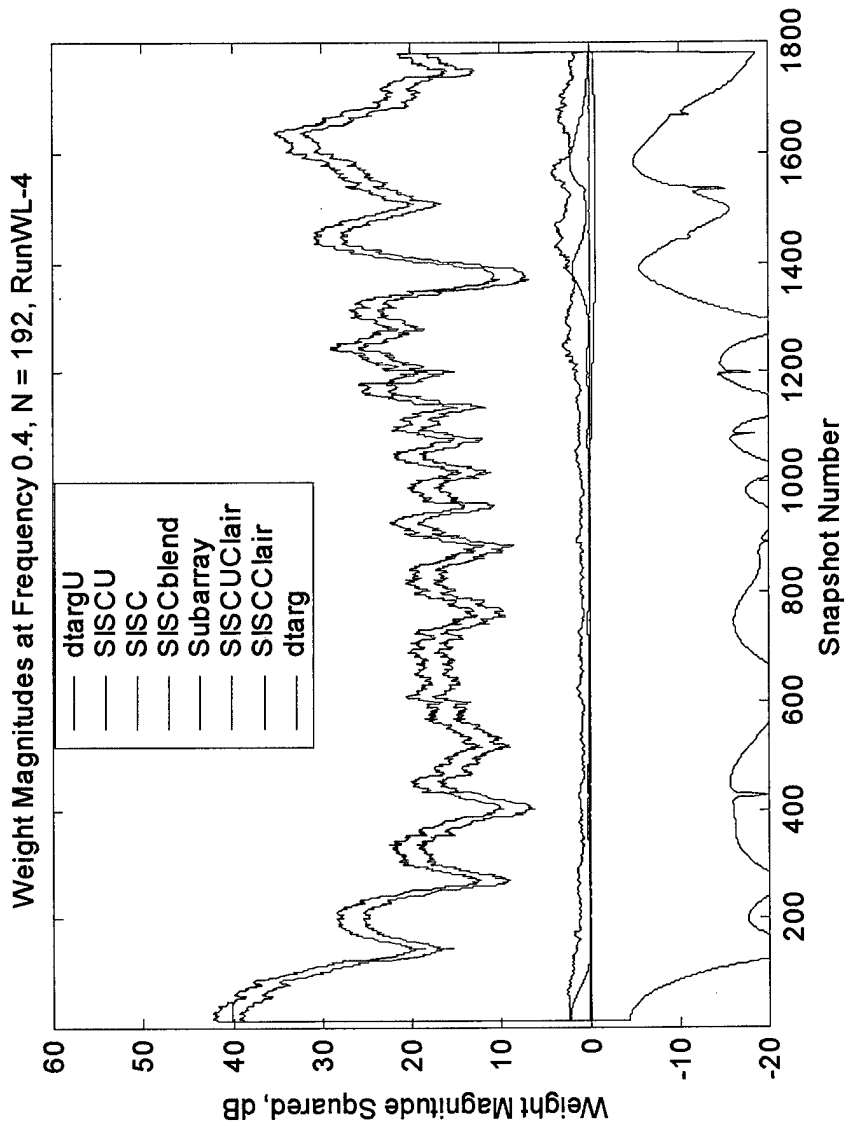
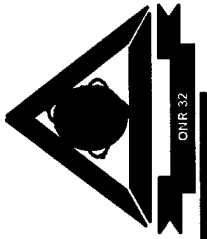


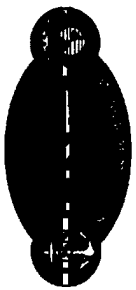
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# Clue to SISC AG Degradation: Stochastic v. Clairvoyant Weight Vector MS





# Final Comments



**Candidate ABF spaces for efficient DMR ABF:**

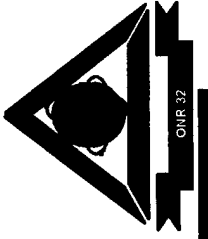
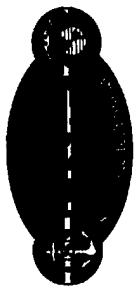
**Beam, subarray, auxiliary (sparseness is key)**

**Adaptation space sample vector should/can be independent of beam steering direction and have  $N_a$  order  $O(D + \text{safety factor})$ .**

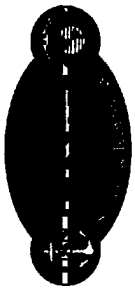
**The Steering Invariant Sidelobe Canceller (SISC) is an auxiliary space method that can “hedge” on the spatial sampling theorem and increase efficiency. AG is an open issue.**

**“Measure” the need for ABF at higher frequencies.**

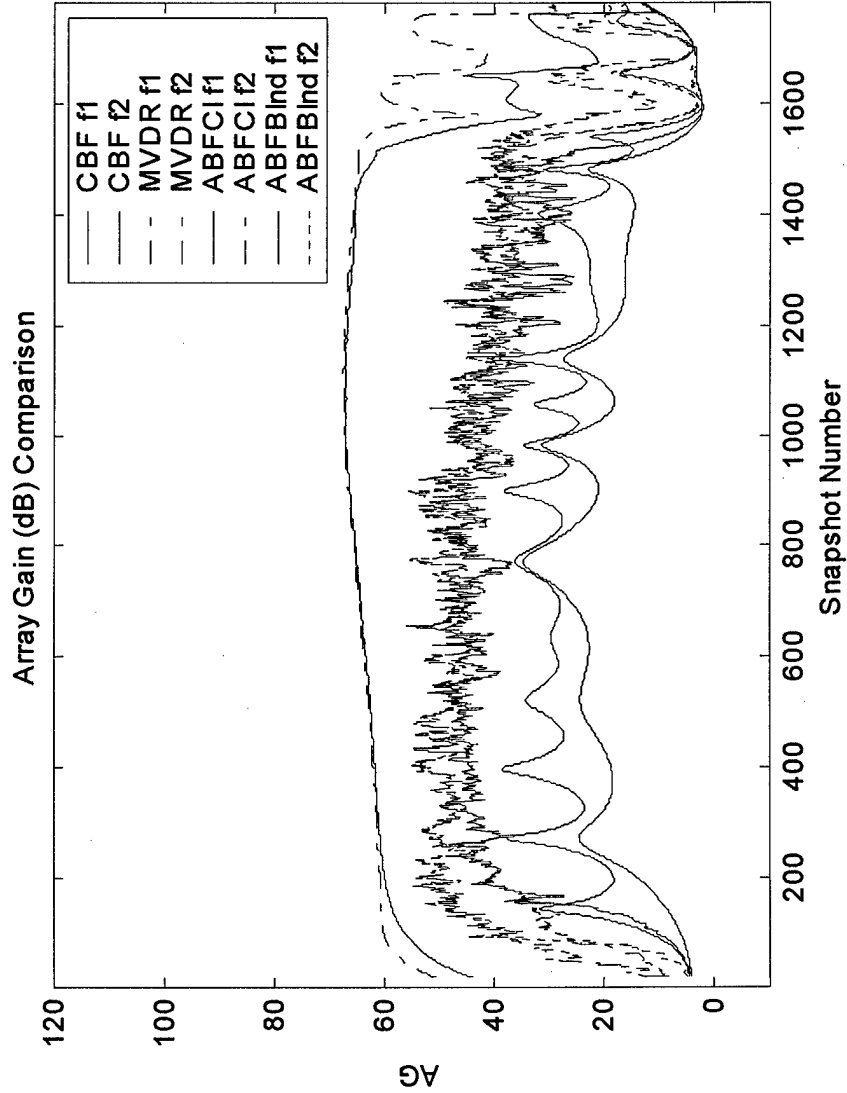
**Signal Suppression v. Spatial Resolution: Clairvoyant ABF without an infinite number of beams suppresses loud sources but, by definition, produces “the best” spatial resolution.**

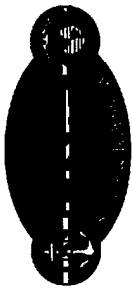


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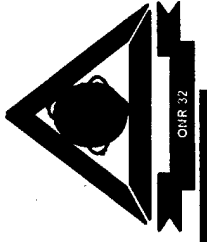
# AG ES DMR: N = 48, D = 10/12 (2 degree phase pert)





# Session V: Sonar I (Classified)

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## **Adaptive Beamforming with the T-16 Array for Broadband Detection**

H. Cox/ Orincon Corporation  
S. Kogon/ MIT Lincoln Laboratory  
H. Lai/ Orincon Corporation  
T. Phipps/ UT ARL

## **Adaptive Array Processing for the MK-48 Torpedo in a Shallow Water Countermeasure Scenario**

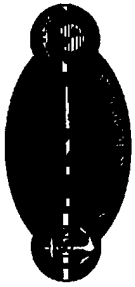
A. Mirkin/ NUWC  
N. Pulsone/ MIT Lincoln Laboratory

## **An Adaptive Beamformer for Spectrum Analysis in Passive Sonar Systems**

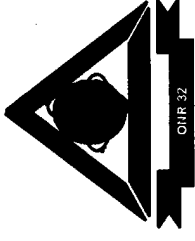
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K. Arsenault/ MIT Lincoln Laboratory

## **Sub-Aperture Beamspace Adaptive Array Processing**

H. Freese/ SAIC  
B. Sperry / SAIC  
K. Votaw/ / SAIC



## Session V: Sonar I - Themes



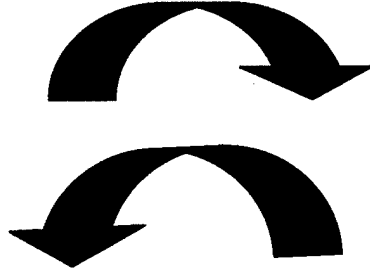
### Detection v. Classification in Clutter

#### ABF for Detection in Clutter

- Spatial resolution is key
- Aggressive/minimally constrained BB ABF
- High SNR signal suppression is acceptable

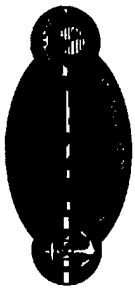
#### ABF for Classification in Clutter

- Minimum spectral distortion is key
- Highly constrained mainlobe ABF
- Must balance rejection of undesired interference in the beam with suppression of desired signal in the same beam

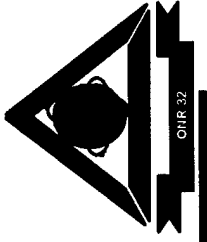


### Rapid Adaptivity

- Reverberation, shipping dynamics, array motion and high data dimensionality



# Shipping Parameters



Number of sources = 8

Source SoA = 1.5 knts.

Source SoA = 4.1 knts.

Source SoA = 8.2 knts.

Source SoA = 6.8 knts.

Source SoA = 7.5 knts.

Source SoA = 6.8 knts.

Source SoA = 0.5 knts.

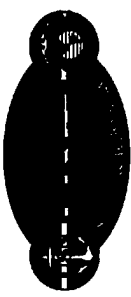
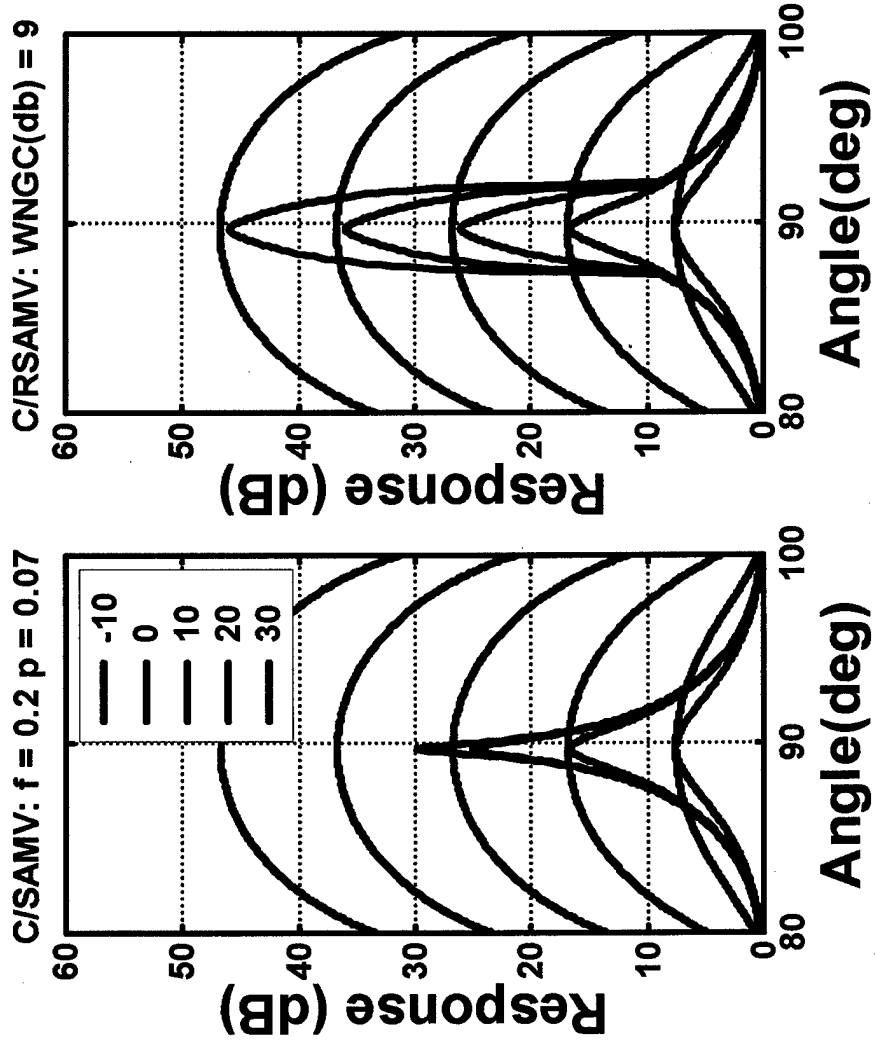
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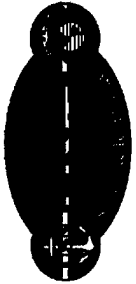
**Source Level Range(wl) Prop Loss Amb Level SNR SoA(wl/s) Heading (SourceInfo = 1.0e+003 \*)**

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0.1650	2.0000	0.0660	0.0600	0.0390	0.0041	0.1800
0.1700	3.1623	0.0700	0.0600	0.0400	0.0082	0
0.1500	3.3601	0.0705	0.0600	0.0195	0.0068	0
0.1650	4.4721	0.0730	0.0600	0.0320	0.0075	0.0450
0.1600	2.9547	0.0694	0.0600	0.0306	0.0068	0
0.1200	1.8601	0.0654	0.0600	-0.0054	0.0005	0.0300
0.1250	1.7205	0.0647	0.0600	0.0003	0.0003	0.0450



**Figure 3.4**





# Six Stationary Sources

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