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Applications

For many practical active noise control applications:

- **Multichannel systems :**
for large-size quiet zone.
- **Multiple constraints :**
robust stability, enhancement,
filter output power.



Interior of Vehicles



Air Conditioner



Range Hood



Infant Incubator

Background

One common approach for designing **constrained multichannel** controller:
solve a **constrained optimization problem**

❑ Advantage: better noise control performance

❑ **Challenge: significant computational effort**
(large channel number, filter order, number of the constraints)

Background

This work is a continuation of our previous work of convex & cone formulation:

- Zhuang and Liu, JASA 2021:
- Zhuang and Liu, InterNoise 2020:
- Zhuang and Liu, NoiseCon 2019:



Constrained optimal filter design for multi-channel active noise control via convex optimization

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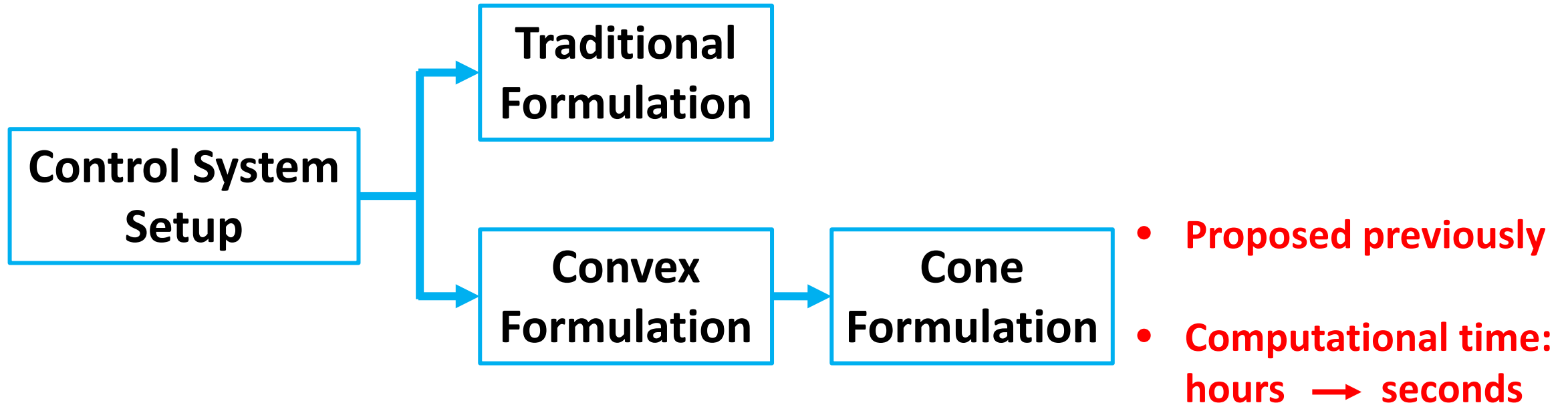
Development and application of dual form conic formulation of multichannel active noise control filter design problem in frequency domain



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Study on the Cone Programming Reformulation of Active Noise Control Filter Design in the Frequency Domain

Background



Benefits of shorter computational time:

☐ Reducing time and cost during product design circle

☐ Make continuously design possible for time-varying environment.

Motivation

For proposed formulation, **warmstarting** strategies are difficult.

❑ Cold start:

choosing initial guess **without** information of approximate location of optimal solution.

e.g., use origin $(0,0,\dots,0)$, or identity $(1,1,\dots,1)$.

❑ Warm start:

choosing initial guess **using** information of approximate location of optimal solution.

e.g., the optimal solution of a similar but different environmental setup

Motivation

Why warmstarting strategies are important?

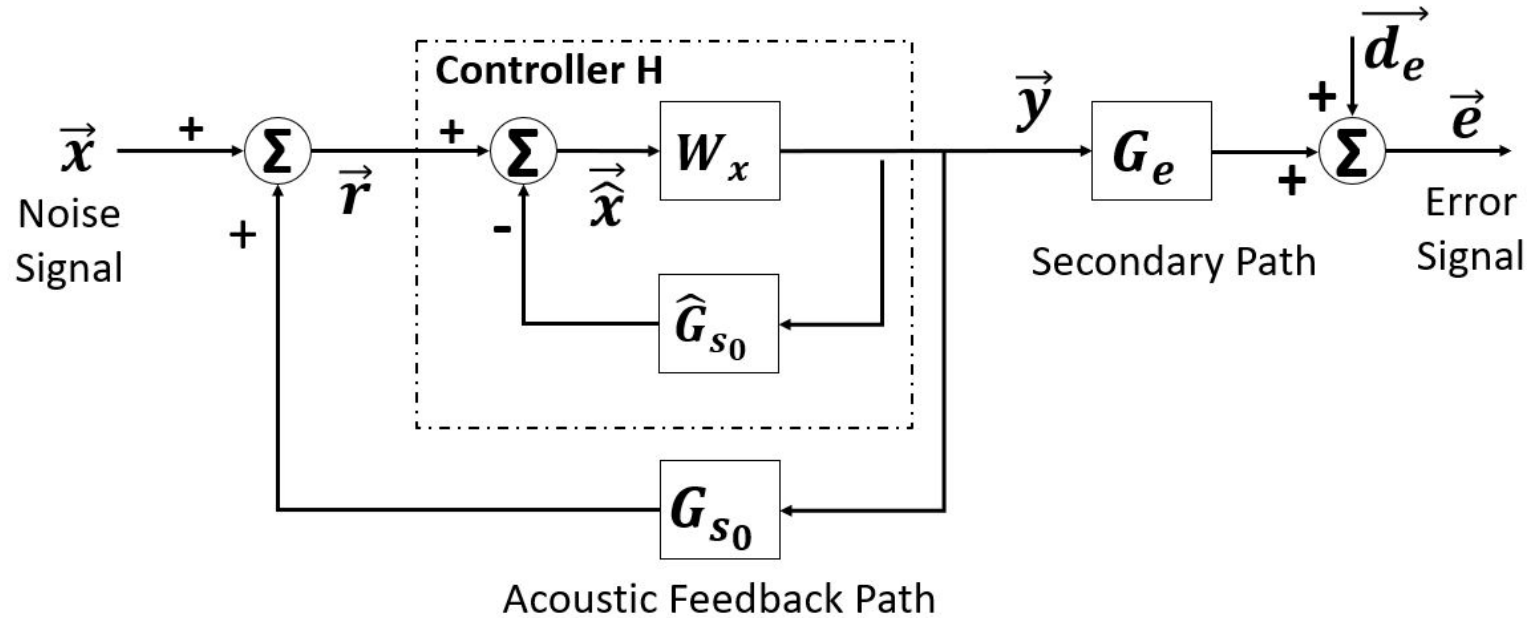
❑ Commercial product design:

- Current product model may be a variation of previous models
- Product differs from prototype by batch manufactural error

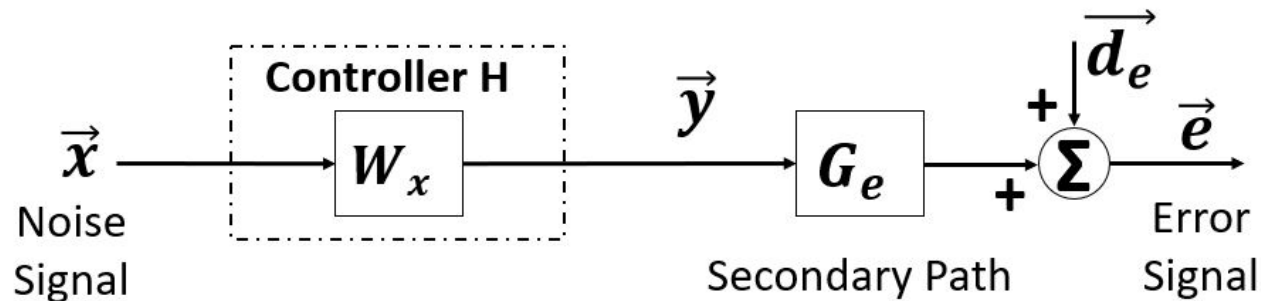
❑ Time-varying applications:

- the optimal filter coefficients of previous environment condition can be used as the initial guess when the condition changes.

Review – Control diagram



↓ If $\hat{G}_{s0} = G_{s0}$



- **Objective:**
minimize the power of \vec{e}
- **Robust stability:**
the feedback loop $W_x \hat{G}_{s0}$
- **Output power:**
Power of W_x or \vec{y}
- **Disturbance enhancement:**
 \vec{e} should not be amplified at certain frequency bands

Review – Convex and cone formulation

Convex formulation

Cost function: Quadratic function

Constraining total power of \mathbf{e}

Constraints:

Enhancement: Quadratic function

Constraining normalized power of \mathbf{e}

Filter response: Quadratic function

The magnitude of frequency response

Stability: Max of eigenvalue

Use Nyquist criterion

Robustness: Max of singular value

M - Δ structure and small gain theory



Cone formulation

Cost function: Linear

Constraints:

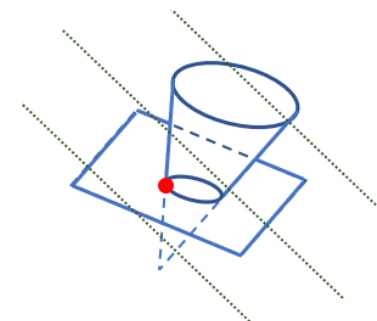
Linear equalities or inequalities

Second-order cones:

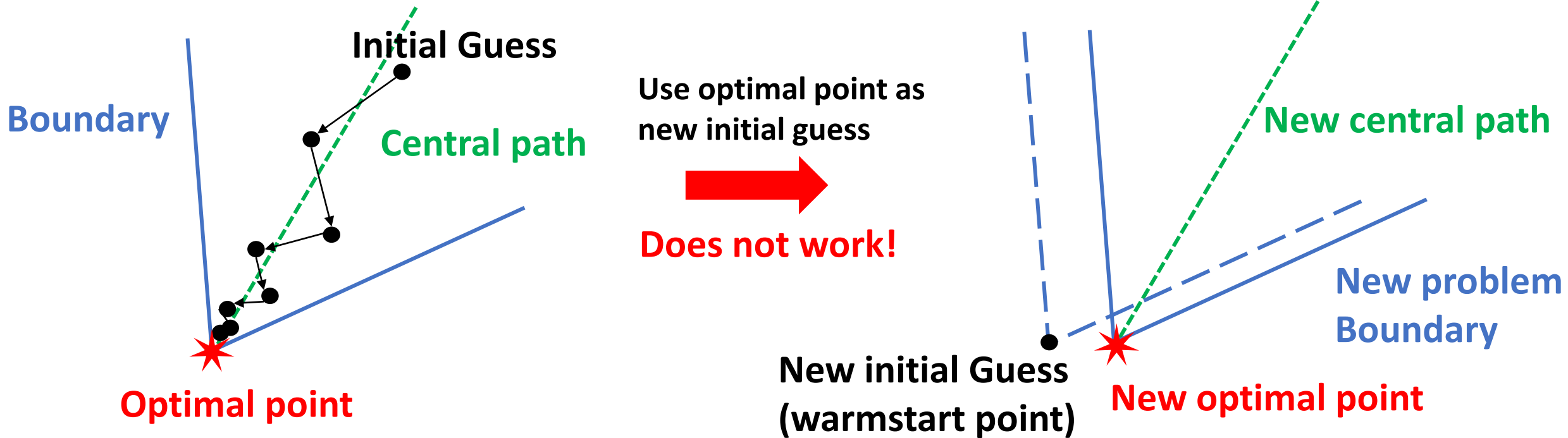
$$\{(y, \vec{\mathbf{x}}) \in \mathcal{R} \times \mathcal{R}^{n_i-1} : y \geq \|\vec{\mathbf{x}}\|_2\}$$

Positive semidefinite cones:

$$\{\text{vec}(X) \in \mathcal{R}^{n_i^2} : X \in \mathcal{R}^{n_i \times n_i} \text{ is positive semidefinite}\}$$



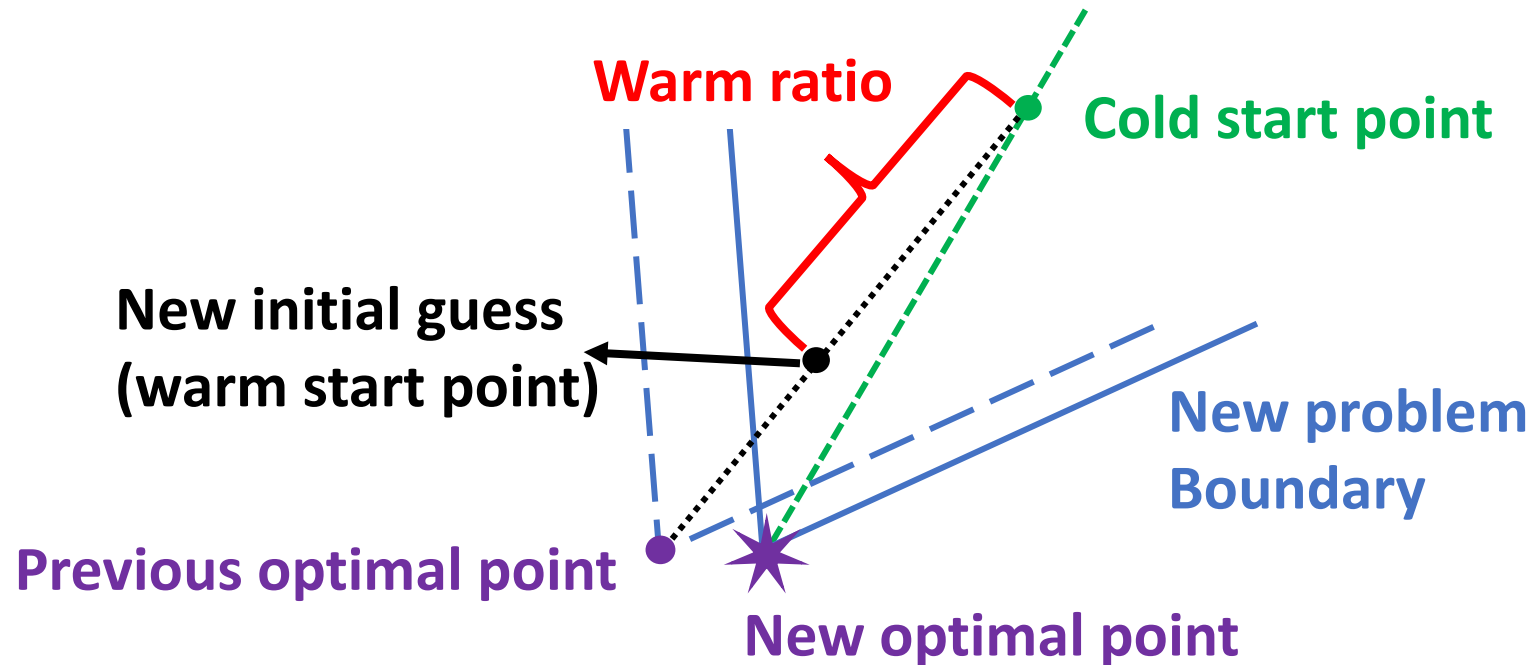
Method – Warmstarting challenges



For cone programming algorithm, each iteration should:

- Inside the constraint boundaries
- Away from boundary as much as possible (follow the central path)

Method – Warmstarting method



Proposed by
Anders Skajaa et al.
in 2013

Use convex combination of cold start point and previous optimal point:

- Guarantees a usable initial guess (close enough to cold start)
- Very little extra computational effort for warm start point

Method – Convert PSD cones to SOCs

Convex formulation

Cost function: Quadratic function

Constraining total power of e

Constraints:

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Filter response: Quadratic function

The magnitude of frequency response

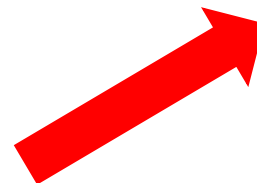
Stability: Max of eigenvalue

Use Nyquist criterion

Robustness: Max of singular value

M - Δ structure and small gain theory

- Need second-order cone (SOC) only
- The stability and robustness constraints can only be reformulated equivalently to positive semidefinite (PSD) cones
- Some relaxation must be done to convert them to second-order cones (SOCs)



Method – Convert PSD cones to SOCs

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Open Loop Response

$$\|\mathbf{W}_x(f_k)\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{s0}(f_k)\|_2 \leq C(f_k)$$

Method 1: use max-norm properties:

$$\|M\|_{max} \leq \|M\|_2 \leq \sqrt{mn}\|M\|_2$$

PSD converts to SOCs:

$$\|\mathbf{W}_x(f_k)\|_{max} \leq \frac{C(f_k)}{\sqrt{N_r N_s} \|\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{s0}(f_k)\|_2}$$

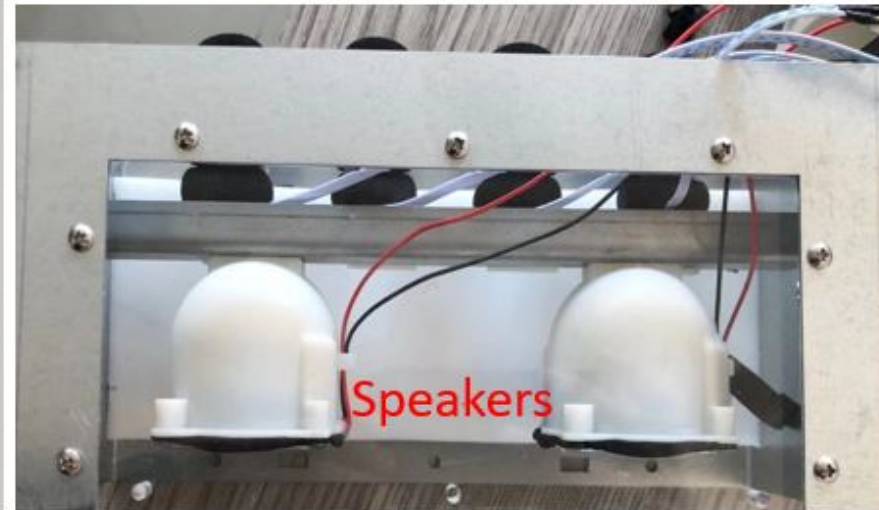
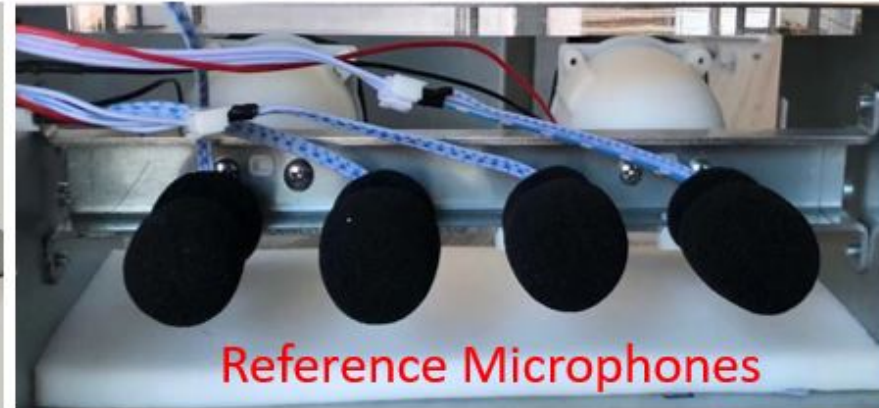
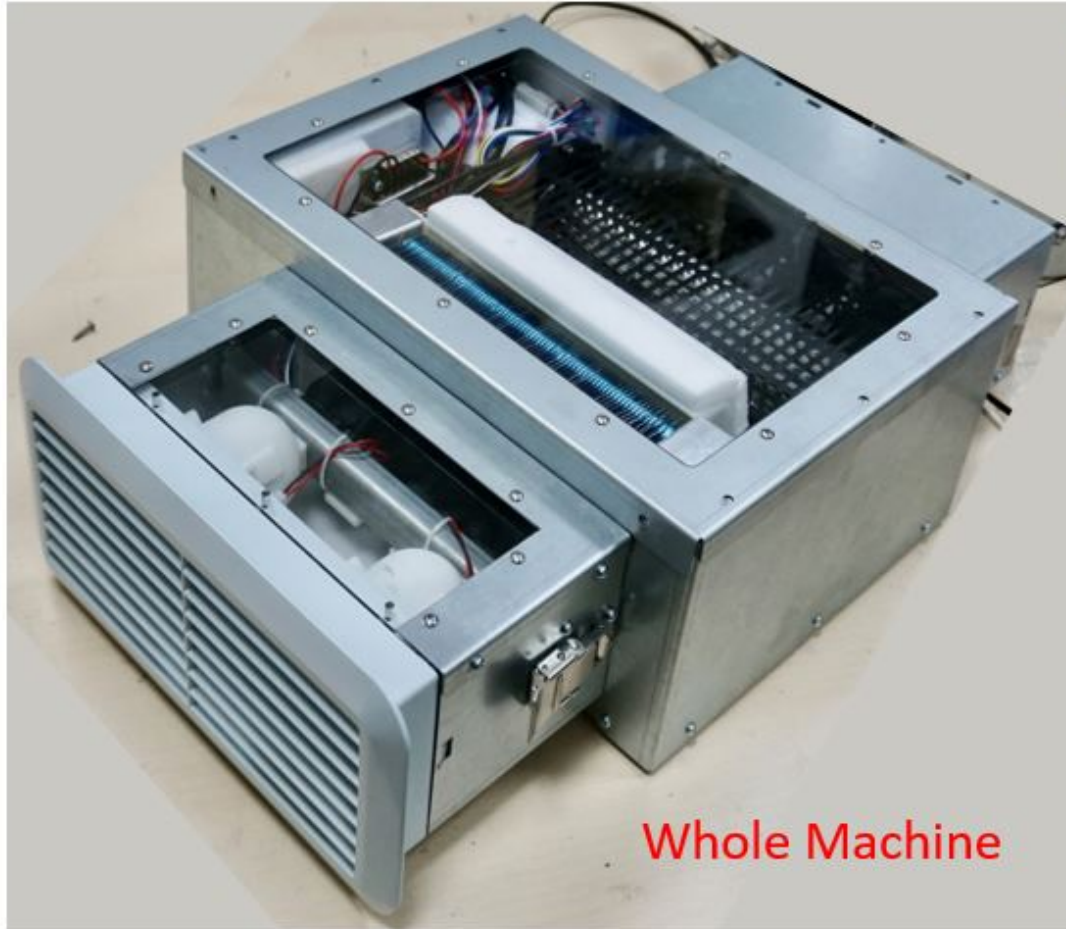
Method 2: use Frobenius norm properties:

$$\|M\|_2 \leq \|M\|_F$$

PSD converts to SOCs:

$$\text{tr}(\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{s0}^H(f_k)\mathbf{W}_x^H(f_k)\mathbf{W}_x(f_k)\widehat{\mathbf{G}}_{s0}(f_k)) \leq C^2(f_k)$$

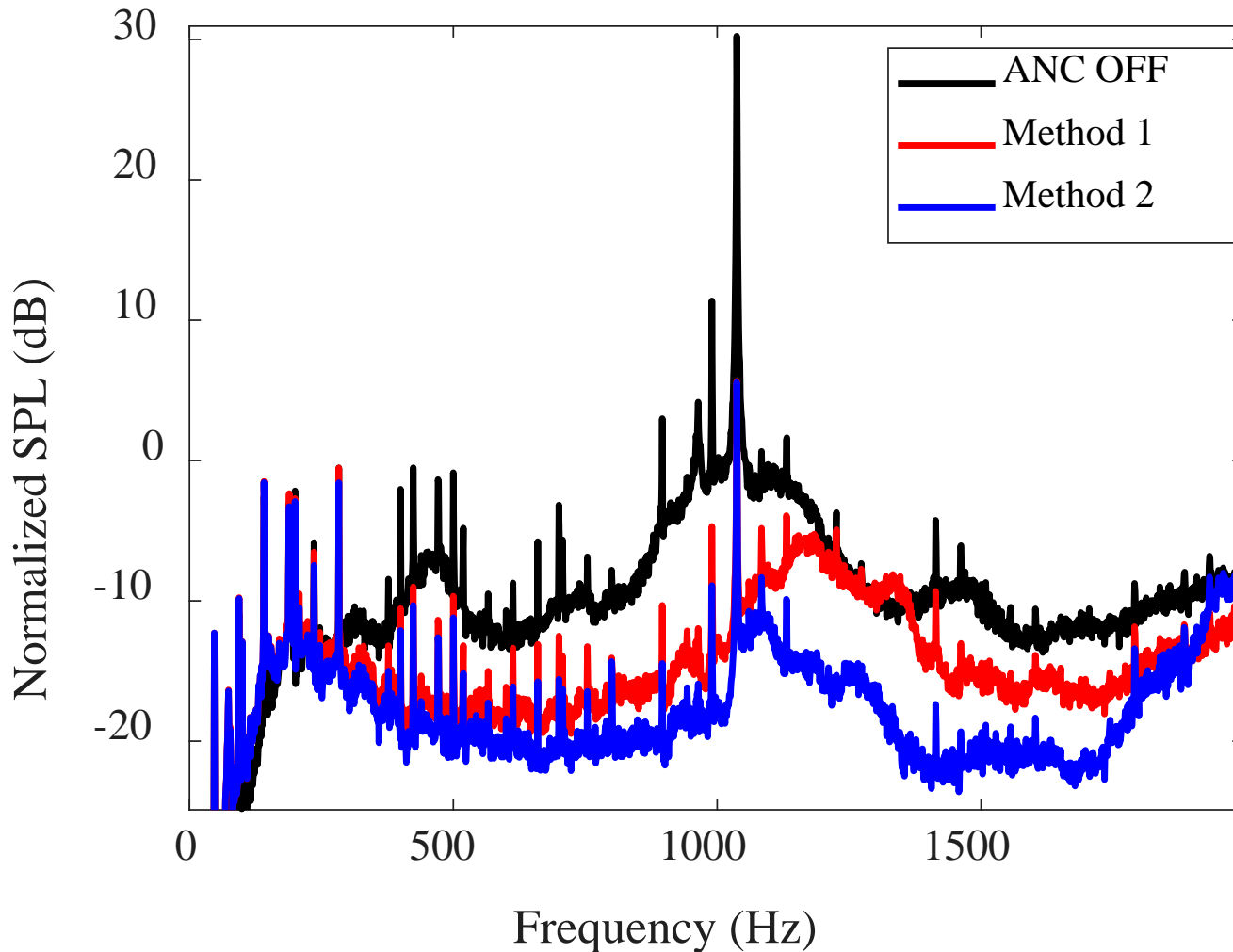
Result – Experimental setup



A multi-channel active noise control system on a wind channel

Result – Comparison of two methods

Noise control performance



Method 1: use max-norm

Method 2: use Frobenius norm

- Converting constraints will sacrifice performance
- Method 2 has better performance (less conservative)

Result – Warmstarting performance

Auto spectral density function
of newly generated noise signal

$$\mathbf{E}_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_{xx}^{new} \leq \mathbf{S}_{xx}(\mathbf{E}_n + \alpha \mathbf{P}_n)$$

Each element of \mathbf{P}_n is
generated by a standard
Gaussian process

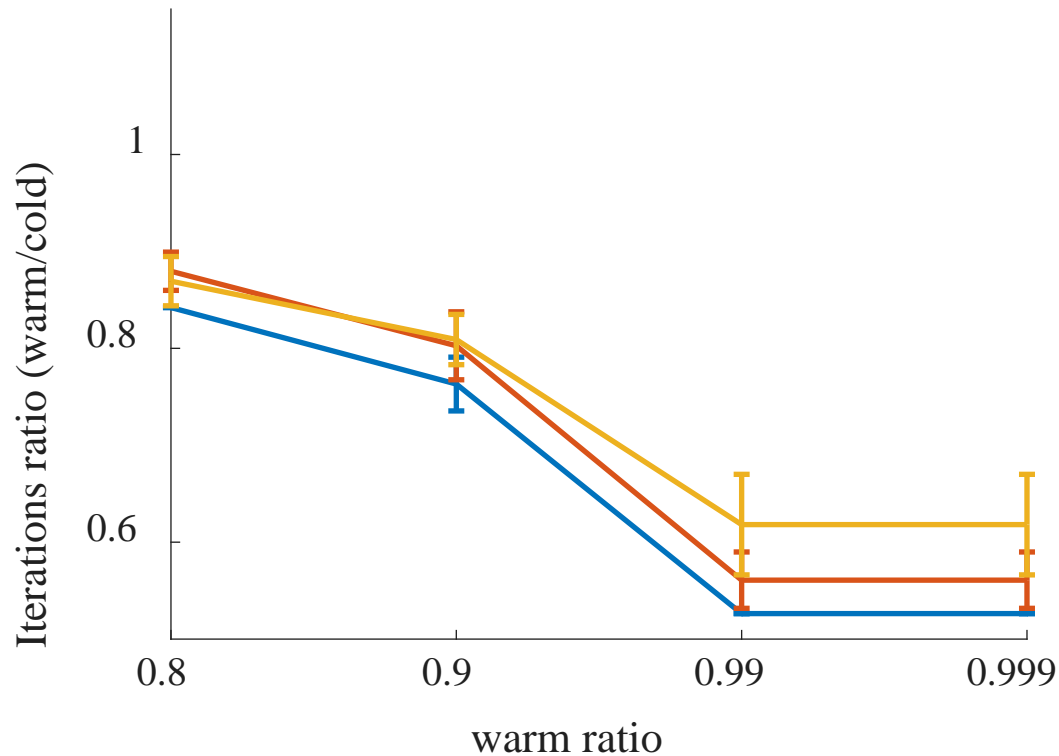
Measured auto spectral density function
-known optimal filter coefficients

Perturbation ratio
-represents the changes
of environmental setup

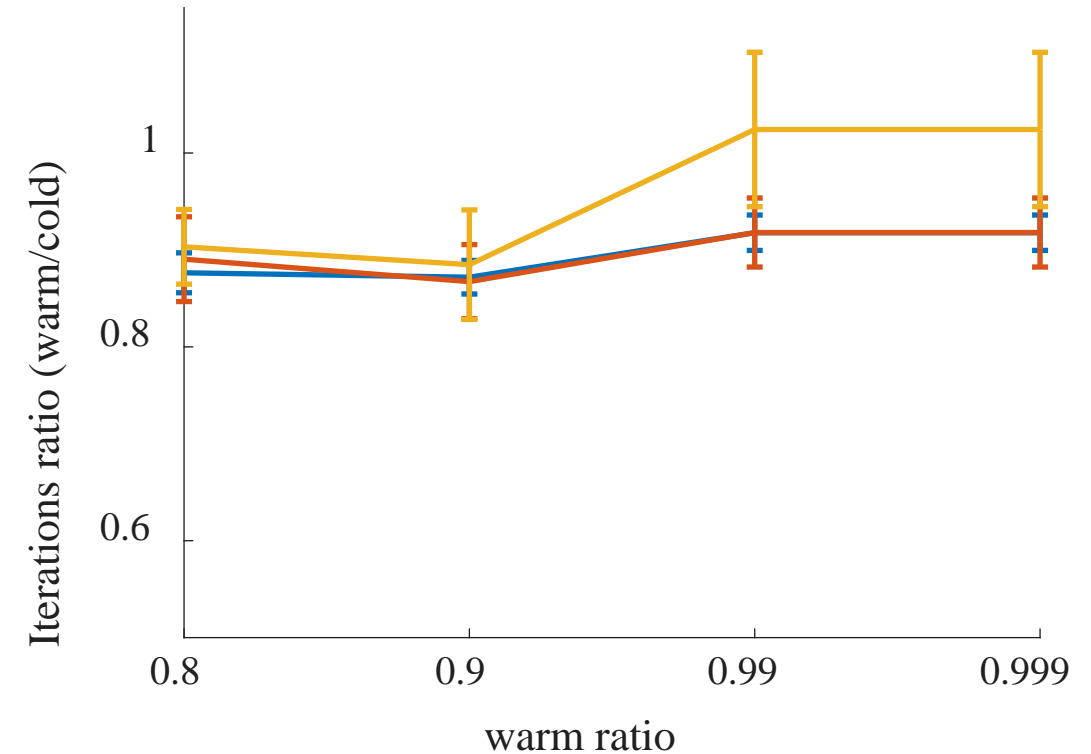
Result – Warmstarting performance

+ Perturbation ratio = 0.1%
 + Perturbation ratio = 1.0%
 + Perturbation ratio = 5.0%

Proposed Method 2



Original Formulation



Warm ratio: closer to 1, initial point closer to previous optimal solution
 When warm ratio is higher than 0.999, it goes outside the constraints.

Conclusion

- Two methods of converting the positive semidefinite cones into second order cones are proposed.
- After using the proposed formulation method 2, the iteration number can be **reduced up to 45%** when using the warmstarting strategy.
- For a relatively wide range of problem perturbation ratio (from 0.1% to 5%), the warmstarting method is **robust** when choosing the same warm ratio parameter.

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