



GNSS Receiver Signal Processing Under Spoofing

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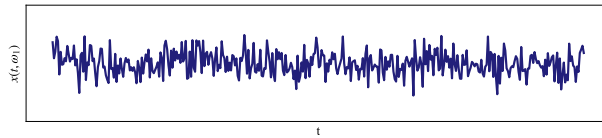
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A Probabilistic Framework for Non-ergodic Signals

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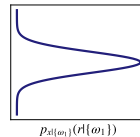
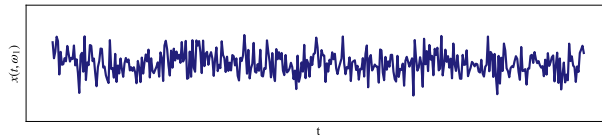
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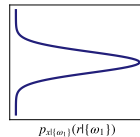
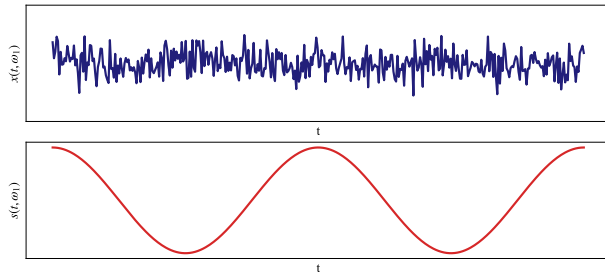


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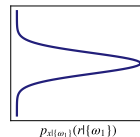
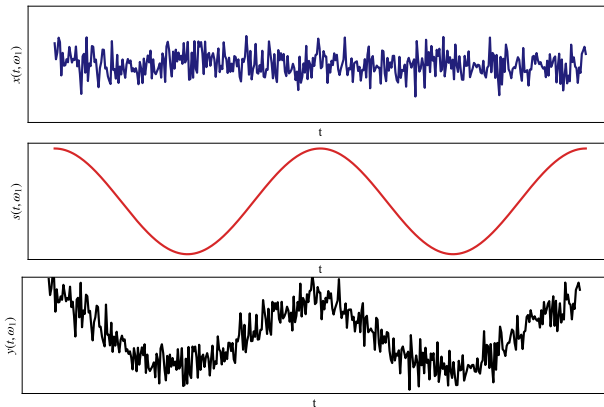
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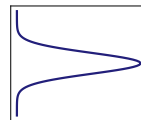
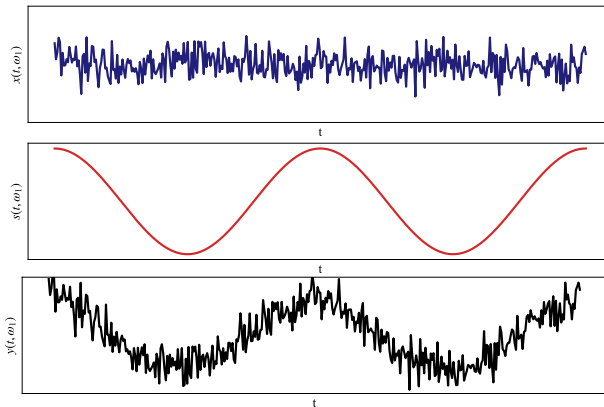
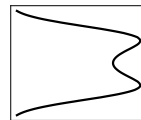
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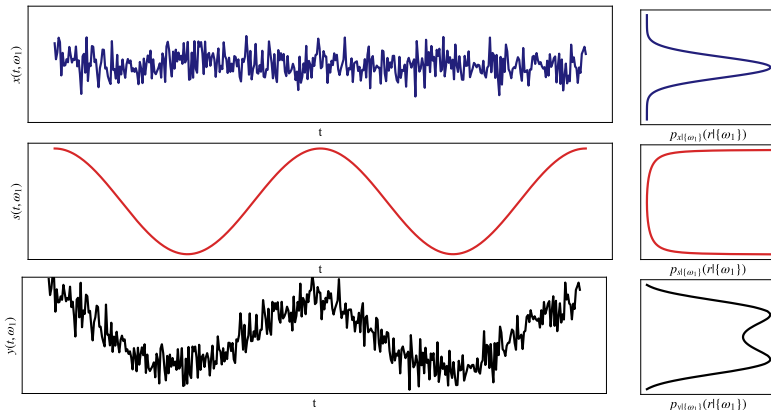
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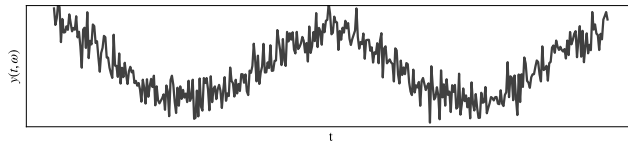
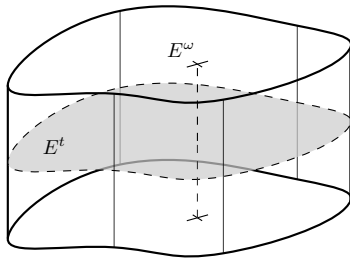
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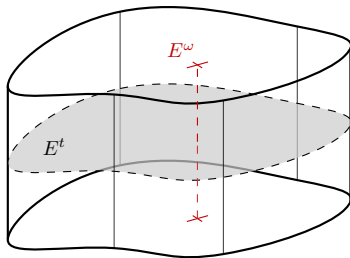
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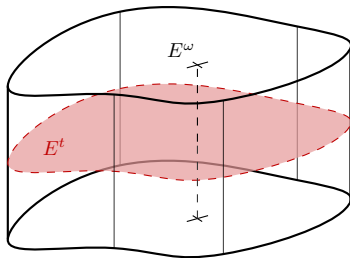


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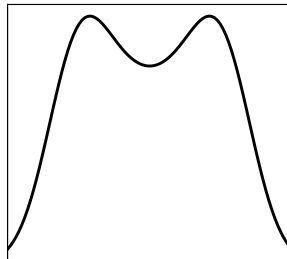
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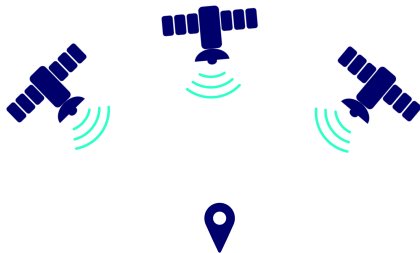
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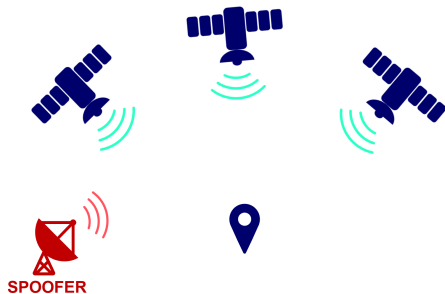
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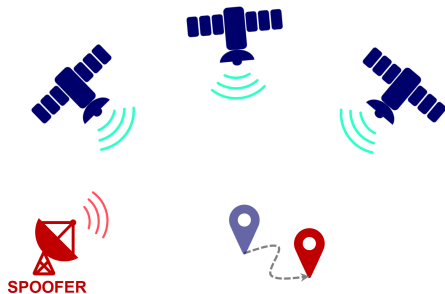
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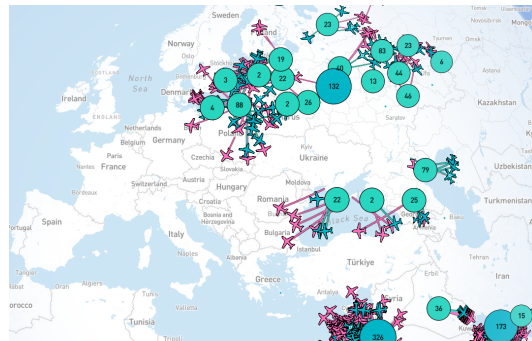
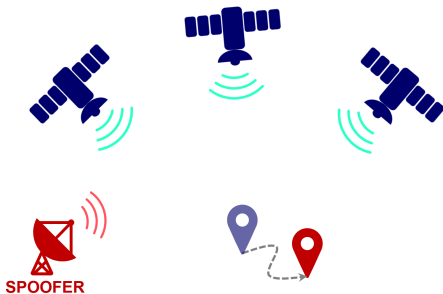
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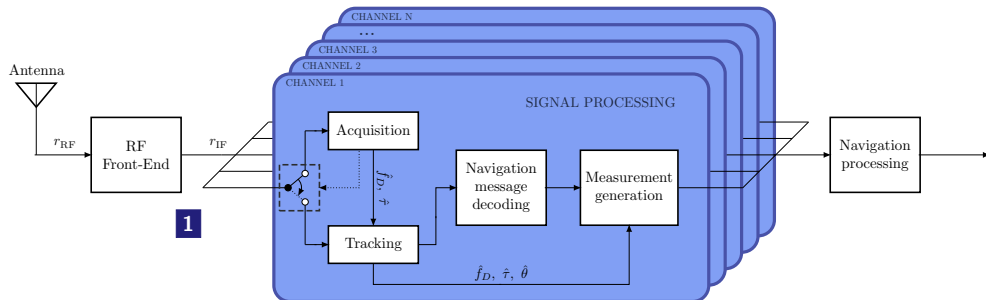


Recorded spoofing events on aircraft receivers (06/11/2025)

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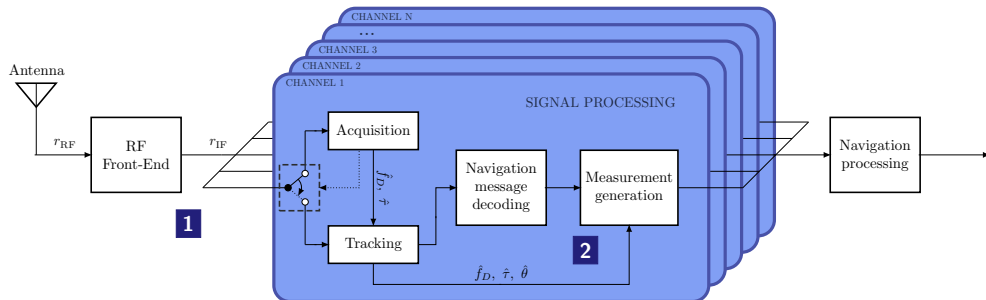


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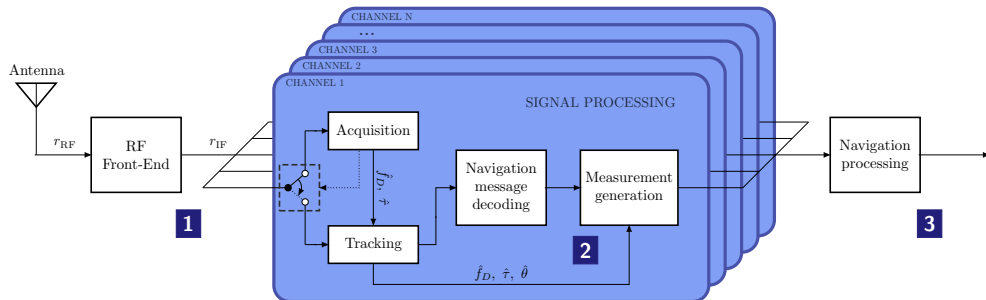
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- Pseudoranges⁵
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- Residuals

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- Identified specific spoofing situations where GNSS receivers **exhibit harmful distortions**, including tracking loop chaotic behaviors (e.g., high oscillations, bifurcations) and significant C/N_0 degradation.

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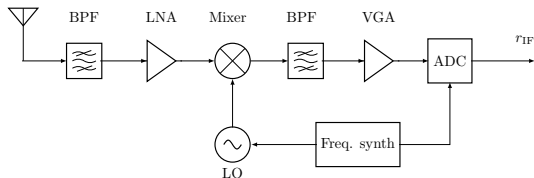
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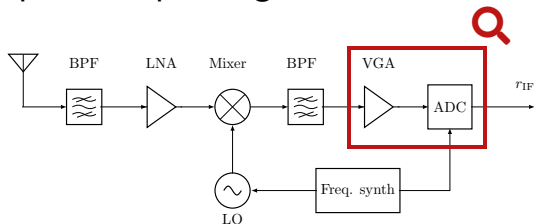
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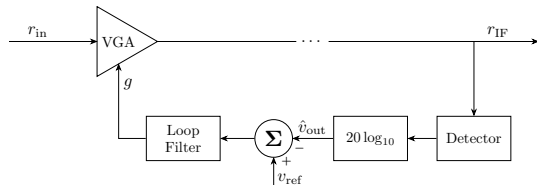
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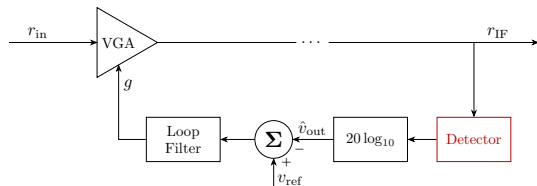
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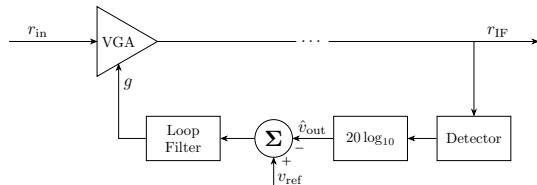
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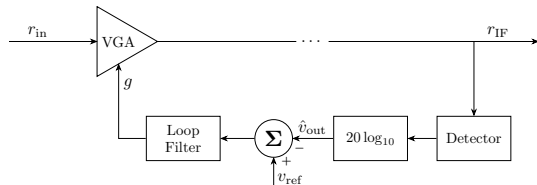
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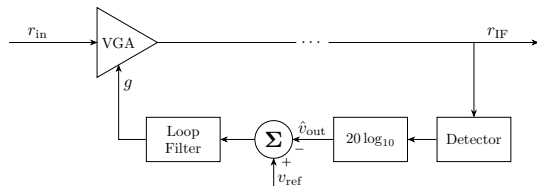
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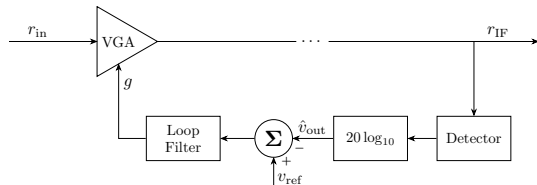
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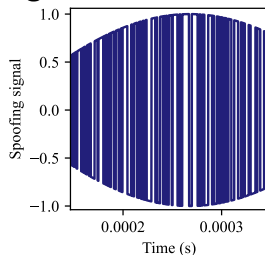
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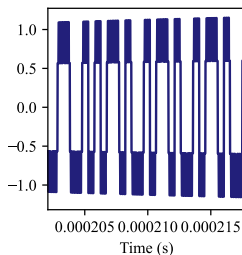
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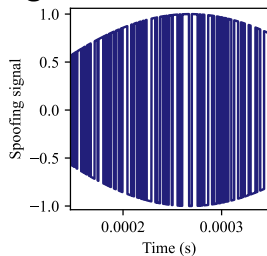
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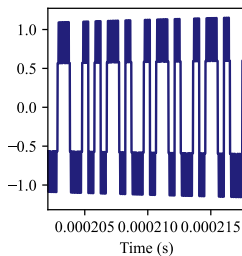
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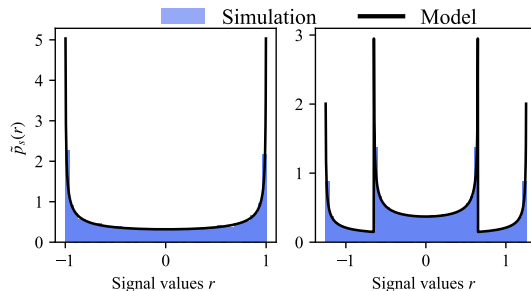
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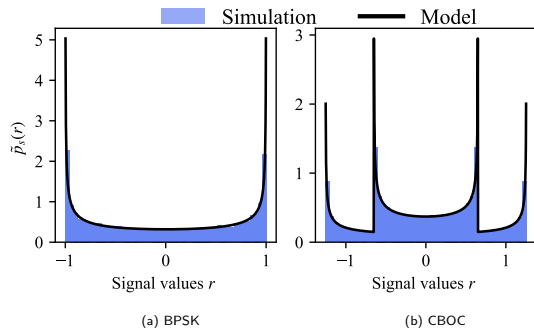
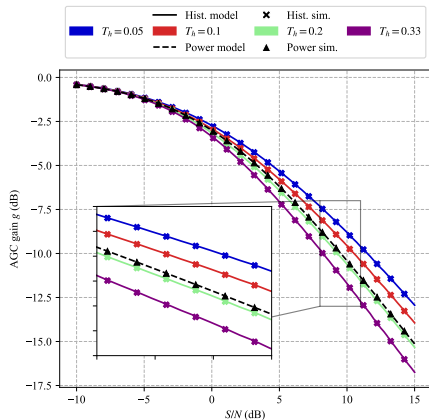
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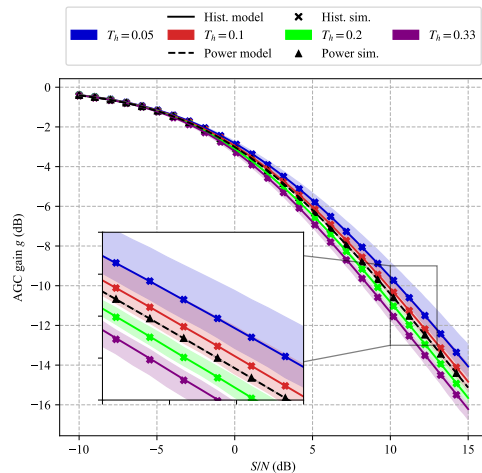
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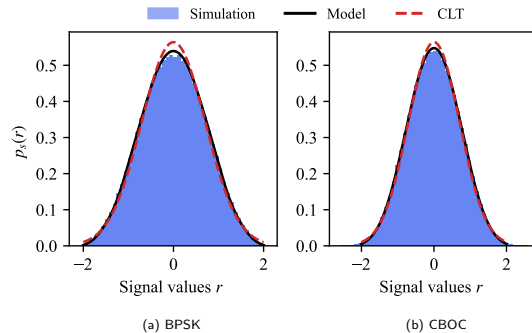


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Signal distribution ($M=5$):



Conclusion on spoofing impact before correlation

Spoofing Impact Before Correlation

The AGC dynamic response can be characterized through the input signal level (and thus signal power and distribution).

The spoofing impact can be modeled as weighted continuous waves (CWs), analyzed similarly to a jammer:

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Spoofing acts as a multiple weighted CW jammer for the AGC, starting to impact AGC values for $S/N > -5$ dB.

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$\chi(t)$ is shown as a **Gaussian random variable** (CLT)

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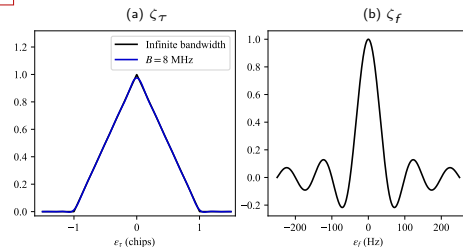
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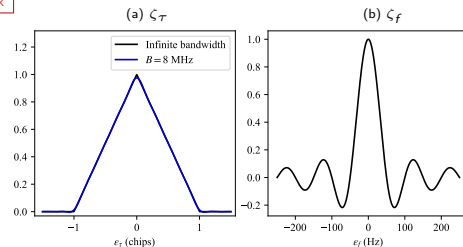
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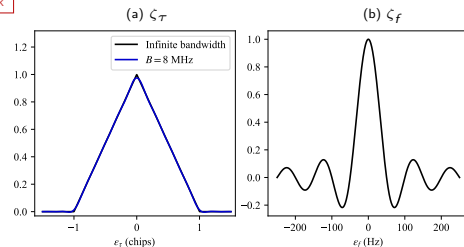
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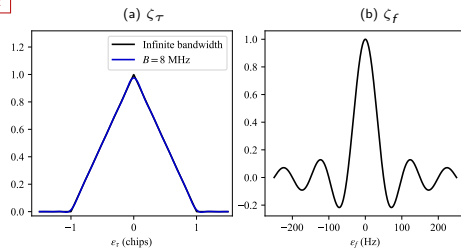
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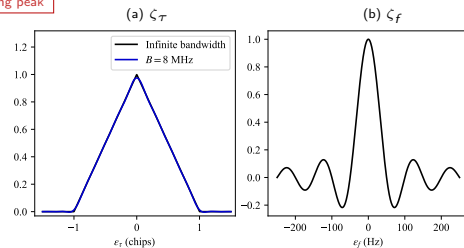
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$$\eta_a = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_a \\ \theta_a \\ f_a \end{bmatrix}^T \quad \text{and} \quad \eta_s = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_s \\ \theta_s \\ f_s \end{bmatrix}^T$$

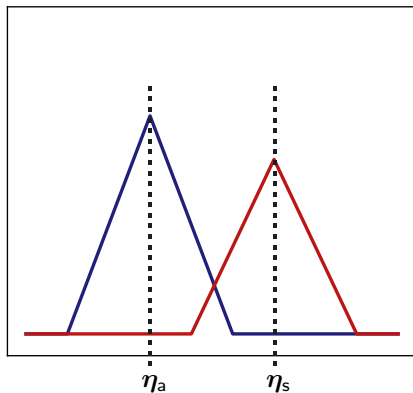
Labels for η_a : Authentic delay (above τ_a), Authentic phase (below θ_a), Authentic frequency (below f_a).
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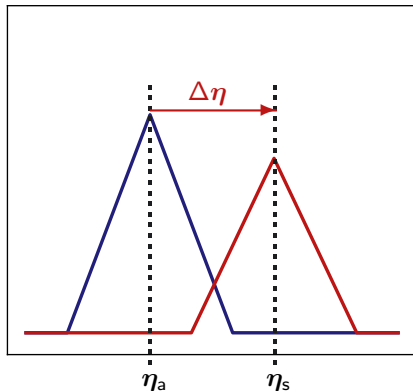
Authentic dynamic

Spoofing dynamic



Relative dynamic

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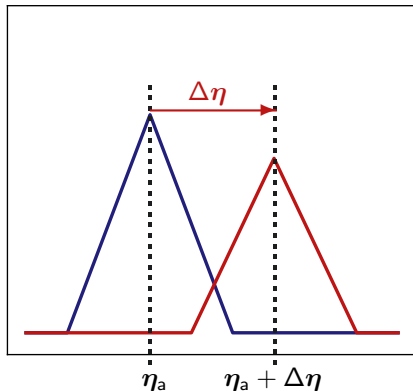


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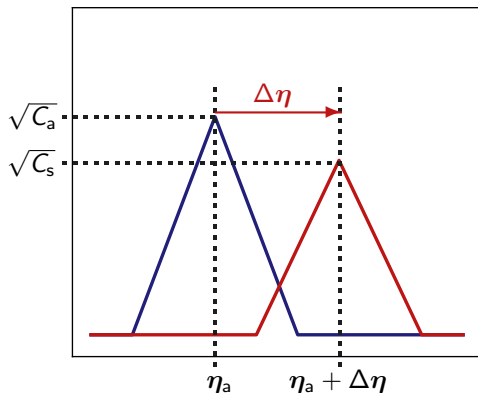
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Annotations for the vector components:

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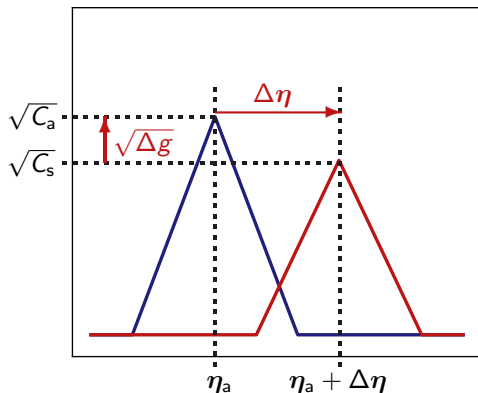
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Relative power (points to $\sqrt{\Delta g}$)



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Relative frequency (points to Δf)

Relative parameters:

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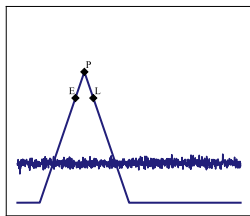
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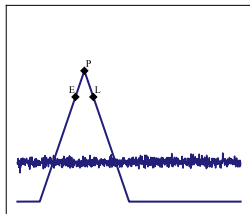


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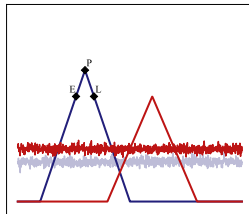
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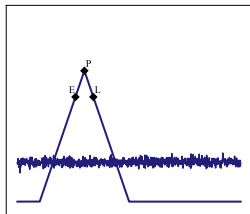


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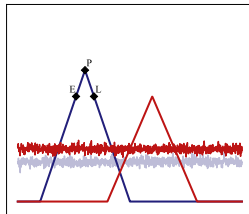
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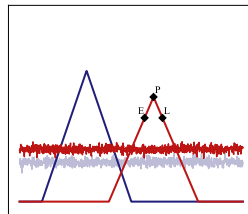
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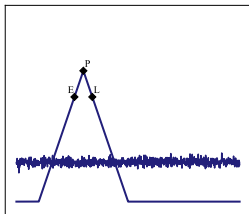


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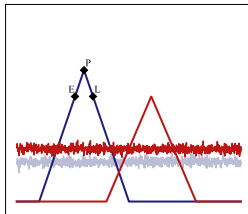
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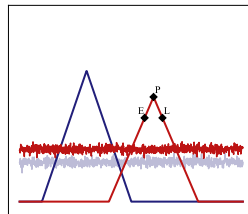
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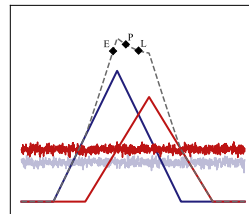
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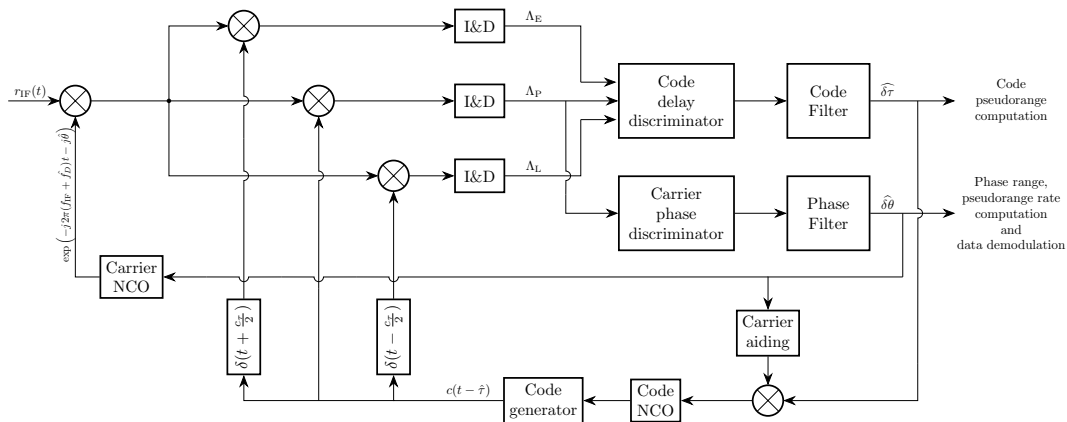
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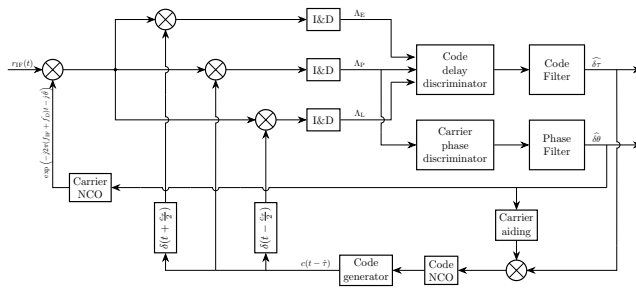
Outline

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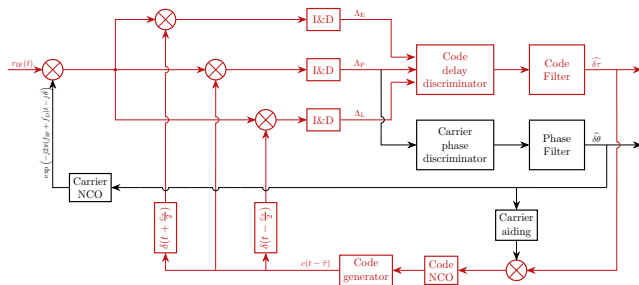


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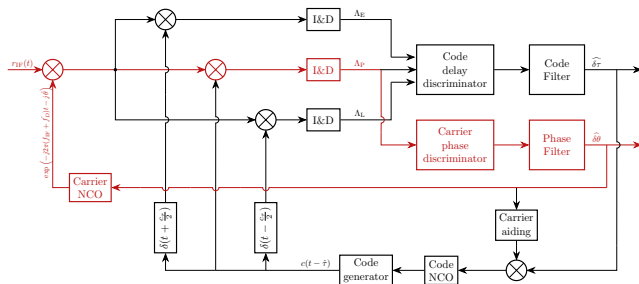
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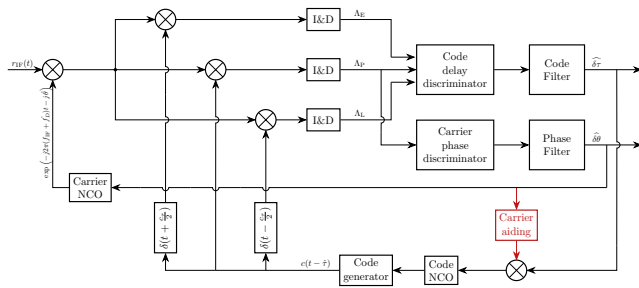
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State vector (points to $\hat{\tau}(z)$, $\hat{\theta}(z)$, and $\hat{\eta}(z)$)
Loop filter (points to $F_{\theta}(z)$)

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The diagram illustrates the Tracking loops model, showing the relationship between the State vector, Relative dynamic, and the tracking loops (DLL and PLL).

State vector (indicated by a blue arrow pointing to $\hat{\tau}(z)$ and $\hat{\theta}(z)$):

Relative dynamic (indicated by a red arrow pointing to $\Delta\nu(z)$):

Low-pass filter (indicated by a green arrow pointing to $F_\tau(z)$ and $F_\theta(z)$):

Discriminator (indicated by a purple arrow pointing to D_τ and D_θ):

The equations for the DLL and PLL are:

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The PLL equation is:

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The Low-pass filter (L) is applied to the PLL output. The Discriminator (D) is applied to the DLL output. The Relative dynamic is applied to the DLL output.

Dynamic approach:

- Characterize the dynamic behavior under spoofing through the analysis of the closed-loop model.
- Account for the interconnection between DLL and PLL, incorporating all dynamic aspects (e.g., filter and feedback architecture).
- Propose an analysis of linearity, Stable Equilibria (SE), and stochastic behavior for each spoofing-induced situation.

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Results

- ✓ Maintains its linearity assumption under induced jamming and spoofing situations (near SE).
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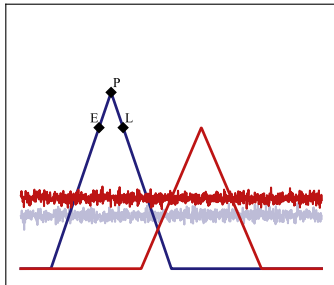
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SE solutions

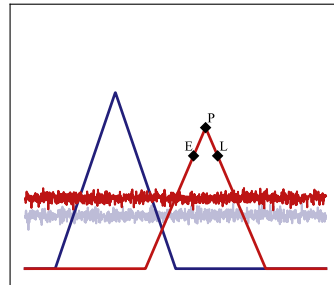
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Stable Equilibria (SE) (2/3)

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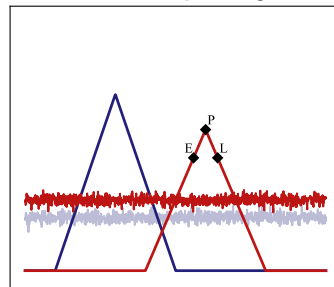
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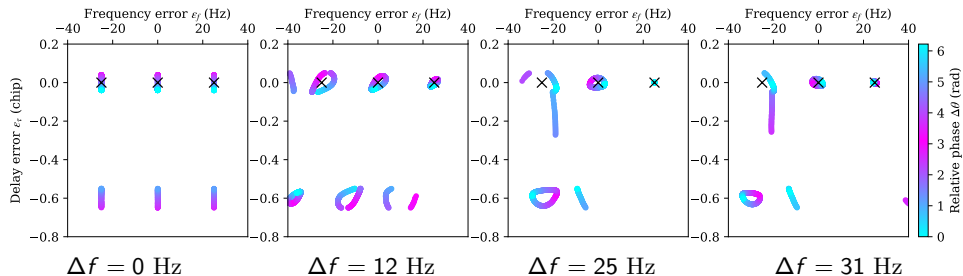
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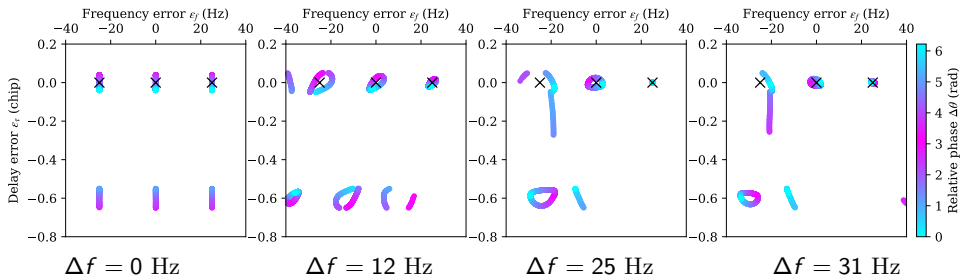
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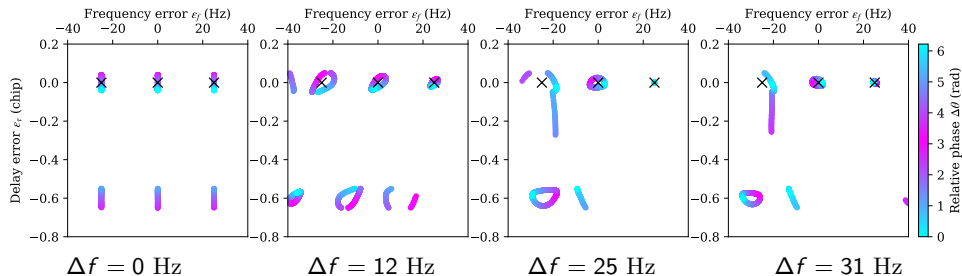
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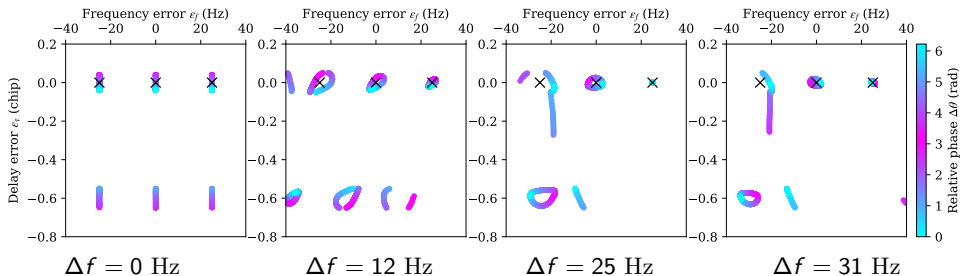


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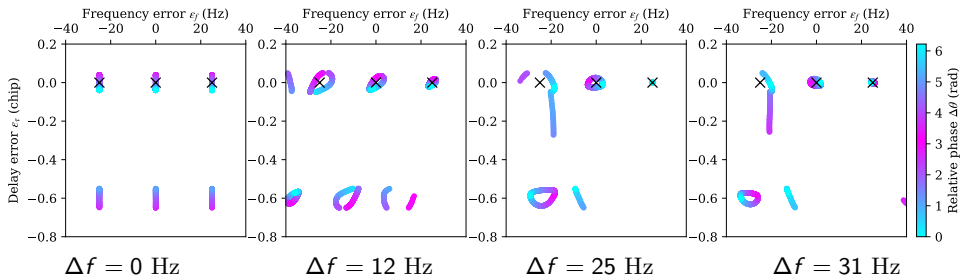


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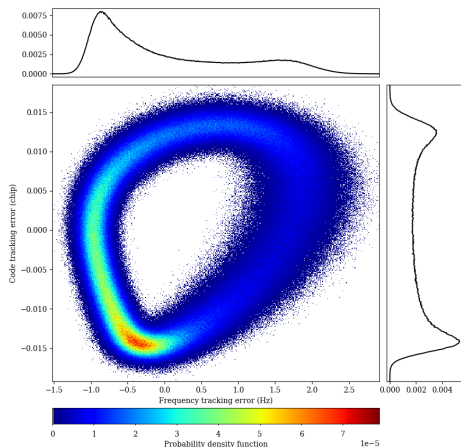
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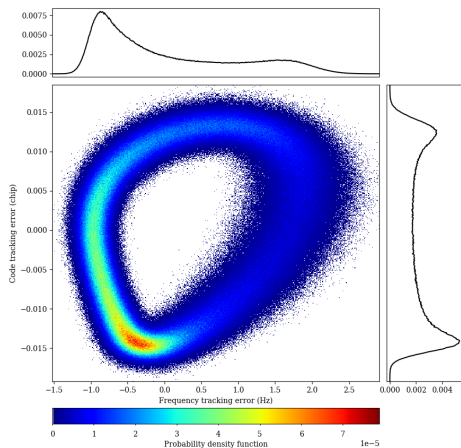
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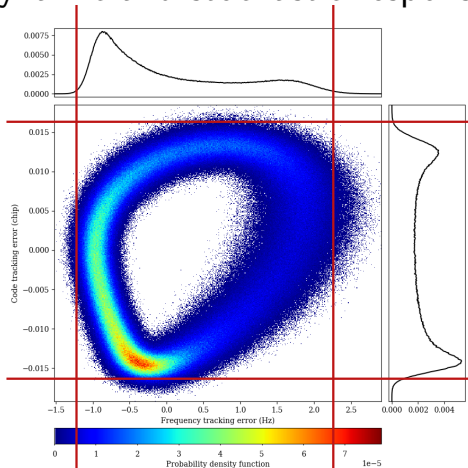
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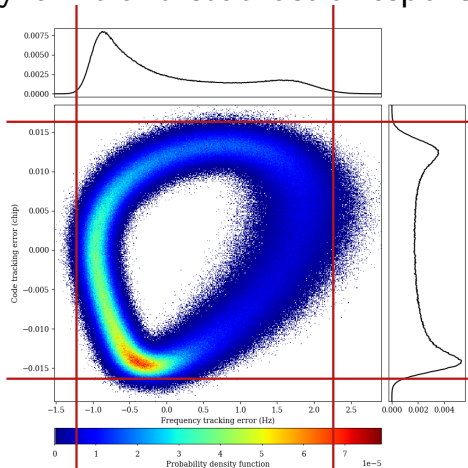
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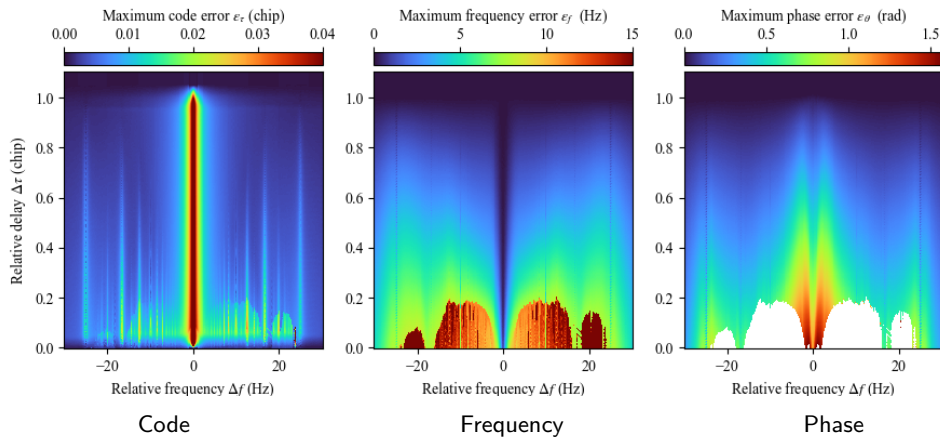
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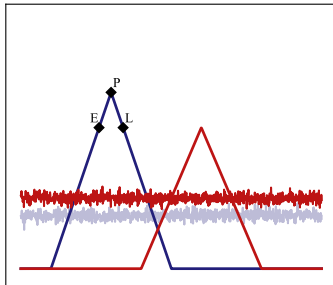
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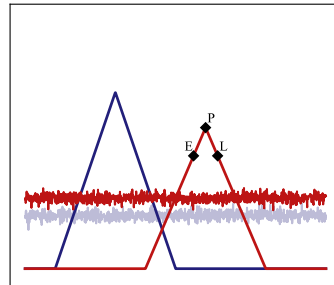
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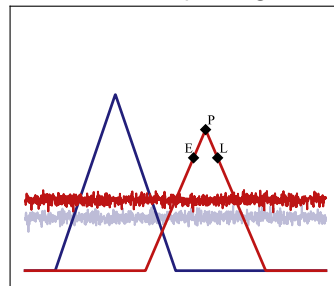
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Induced-multipath:

C/N₀ under spoofing (2/4)

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The components are color-coded and labeled with arrows:

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Induced-Multipath Results

- Derivation of **analytic expressions** as a function of $\Delta\eta$.
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- Spoofing distortion **varies depending on the type of estimator**.

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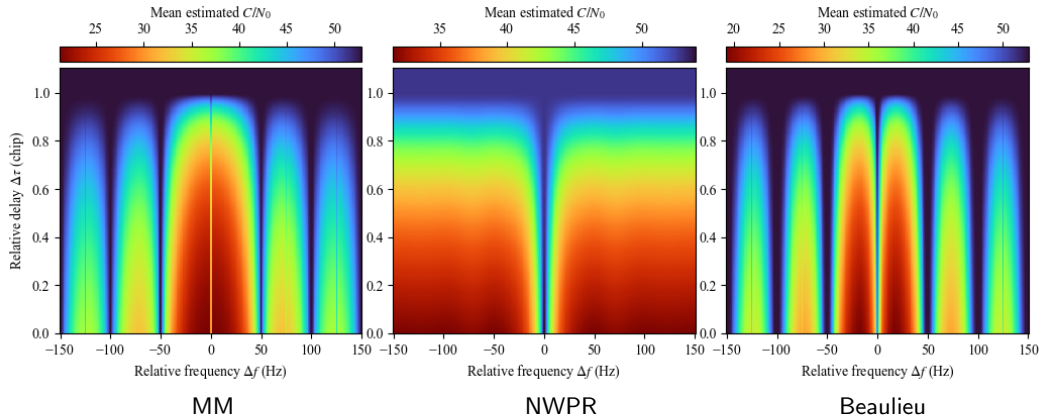
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C/N_0 under spoofing (4/4)



Mean estimated C/N_0 in dB.Hz ($\Delta g = 0.64$ and authentic C/N_0 of 55 dB.Hz).

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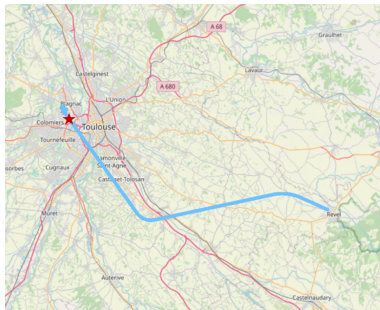
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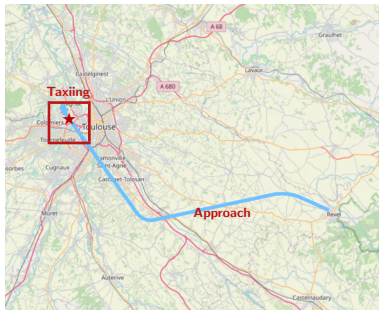
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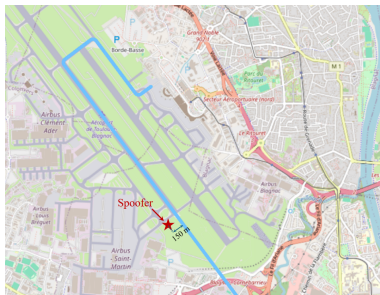
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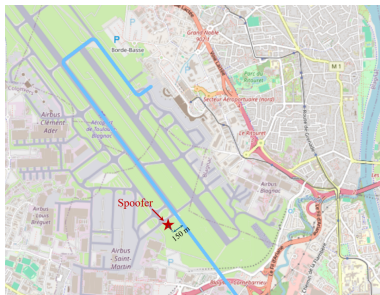
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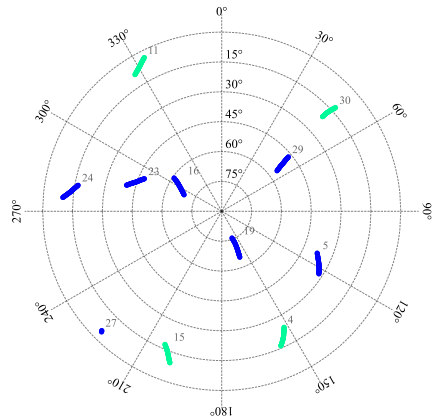
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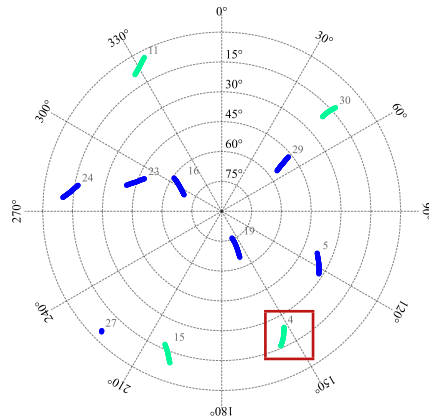


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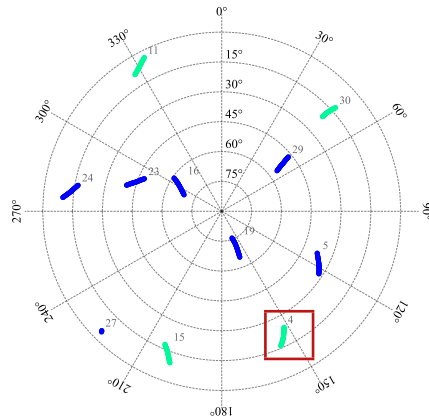


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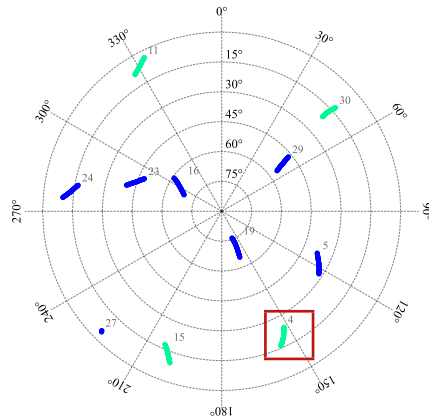
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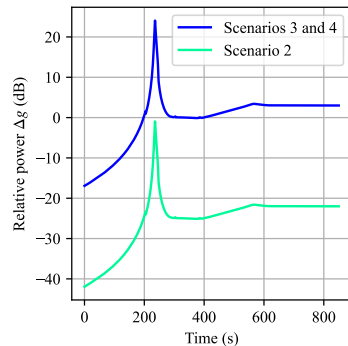
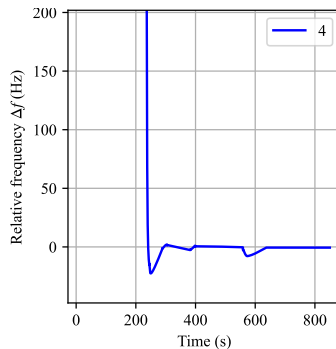
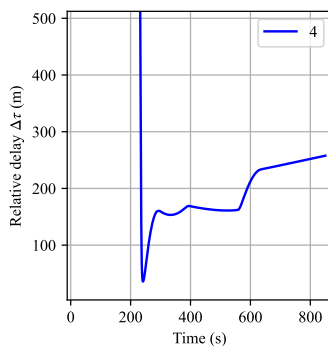
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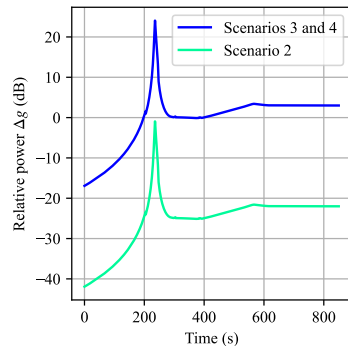
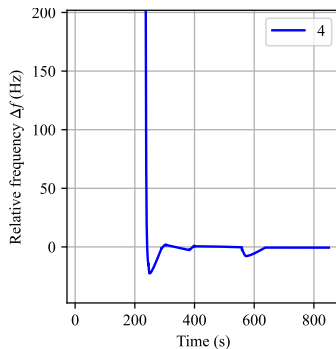
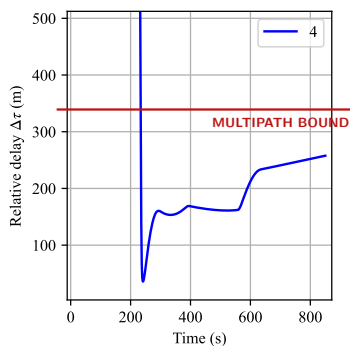


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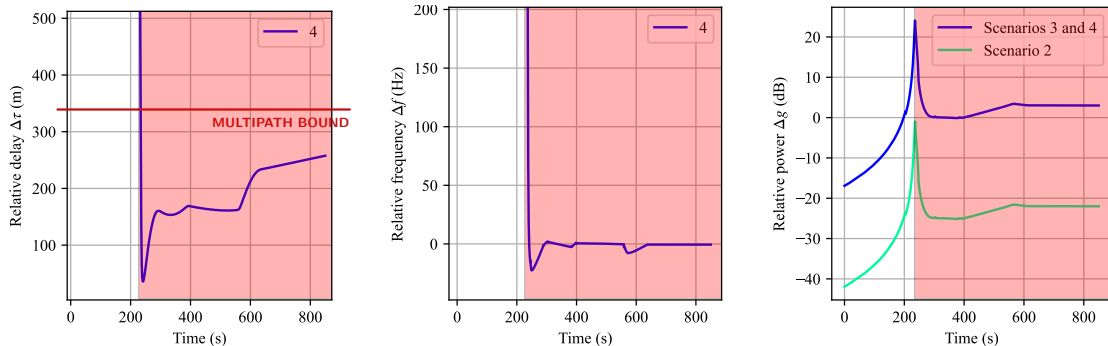
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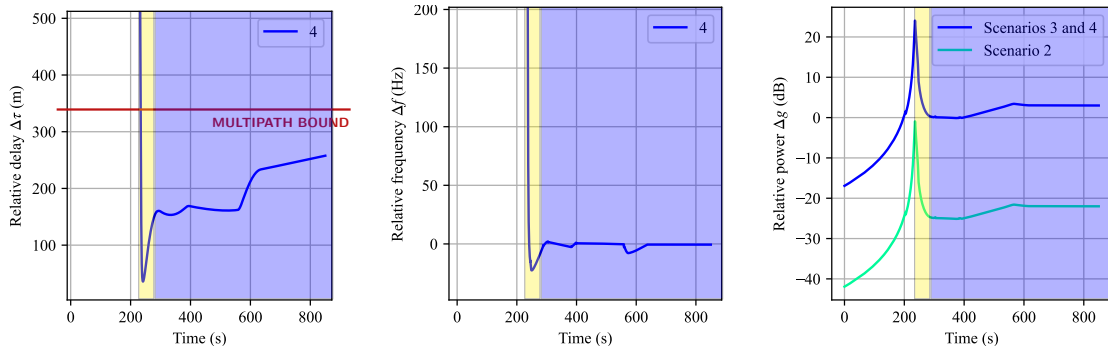
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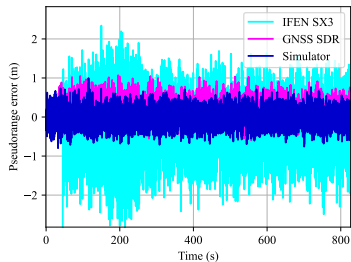
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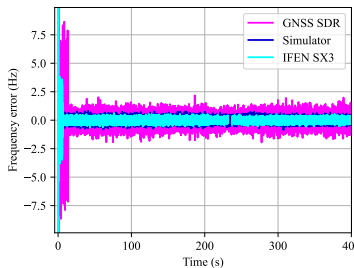
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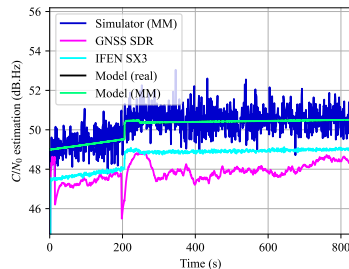
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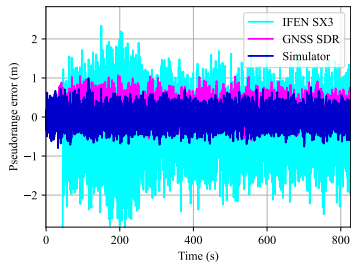


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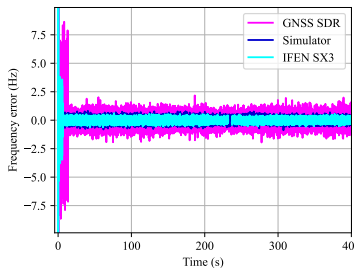


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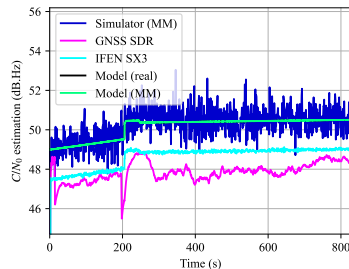
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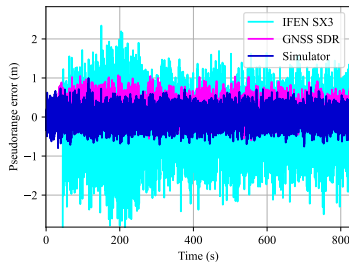
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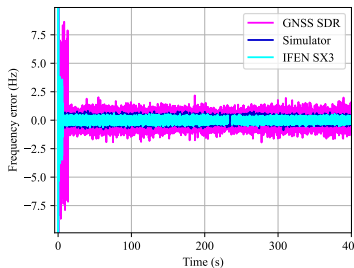
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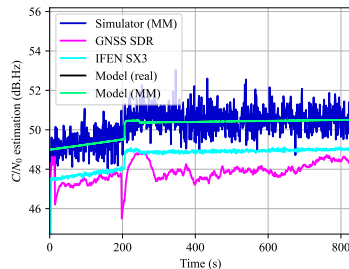
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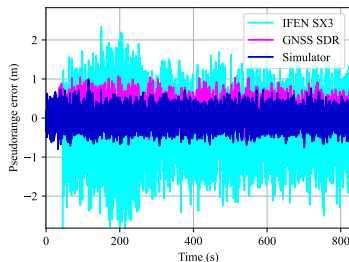


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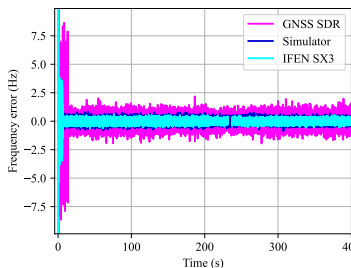
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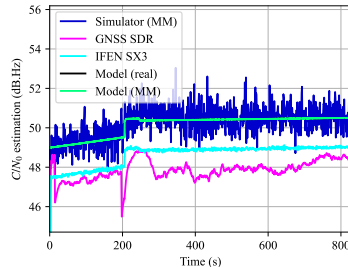
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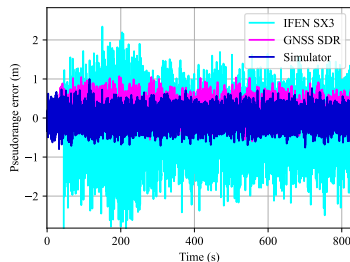


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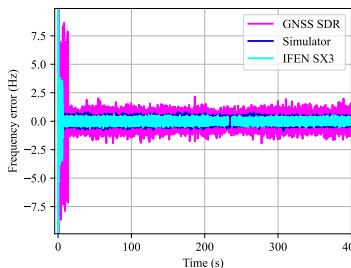
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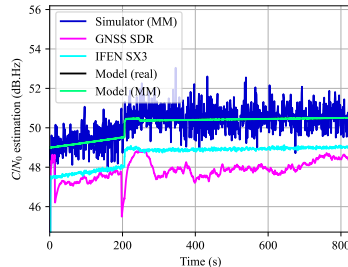
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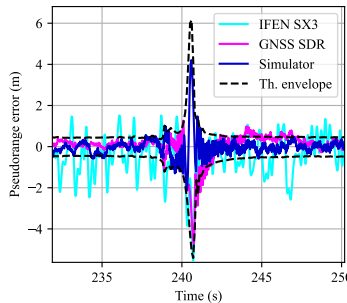


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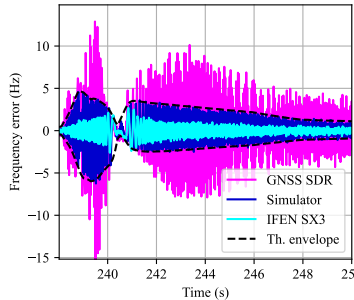
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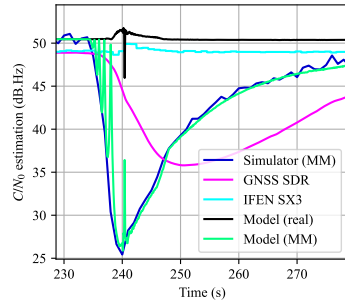
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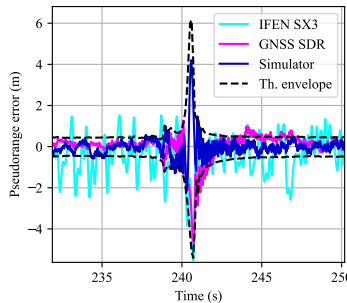


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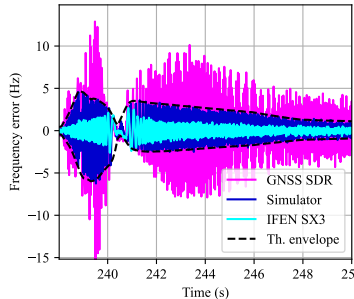


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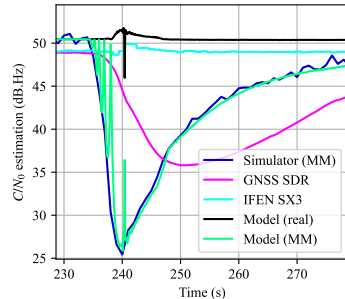
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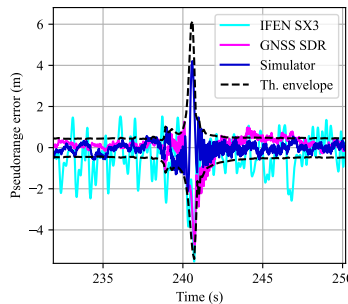
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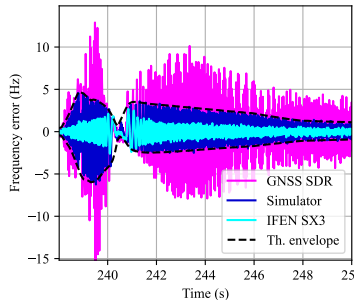
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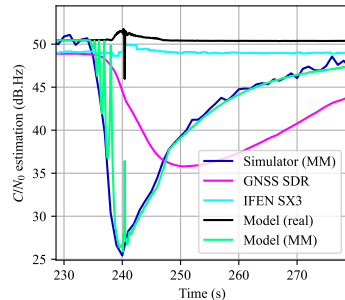
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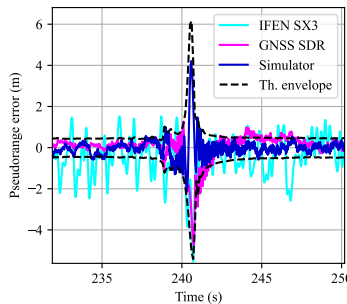


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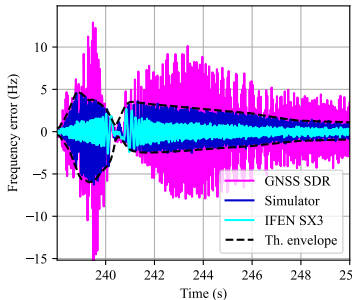
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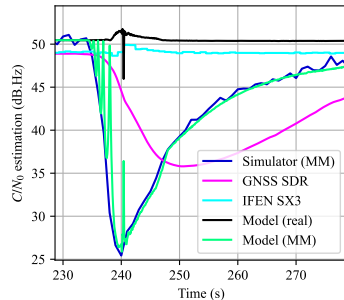
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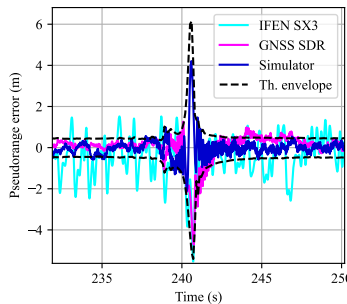


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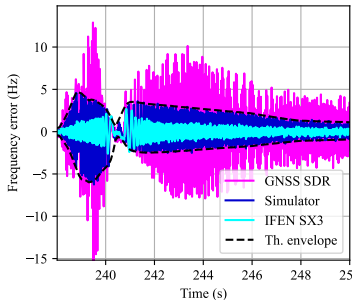
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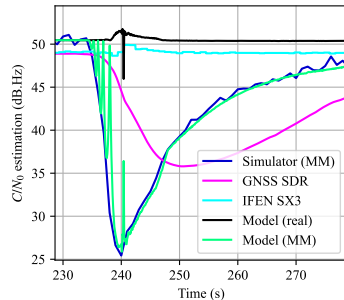
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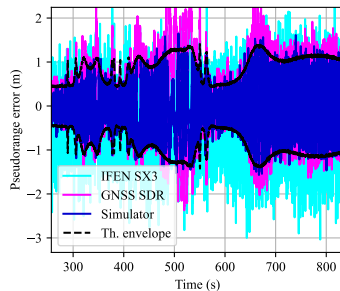


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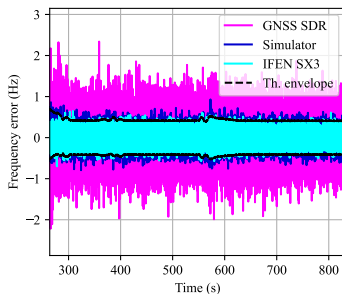
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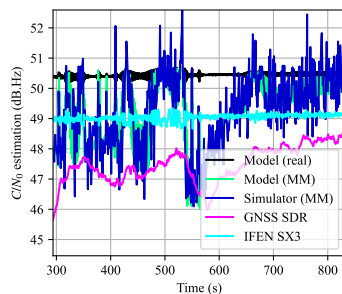
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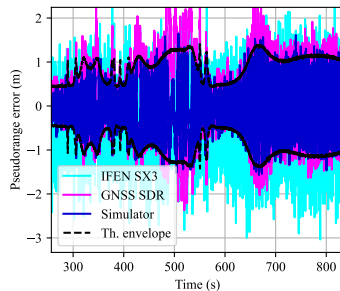


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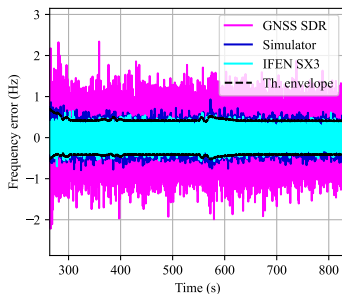


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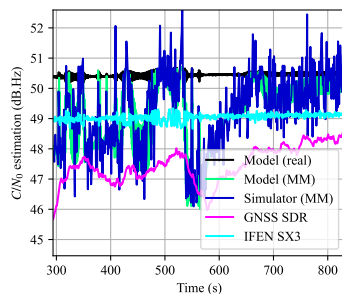
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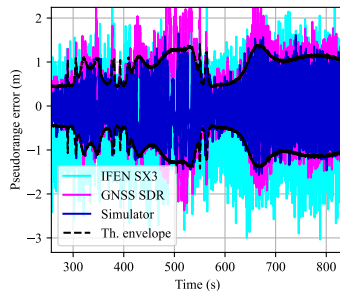
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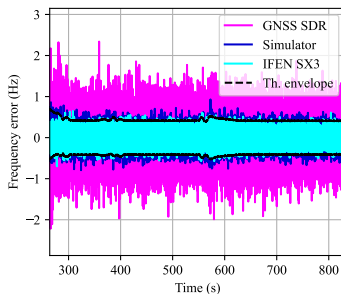
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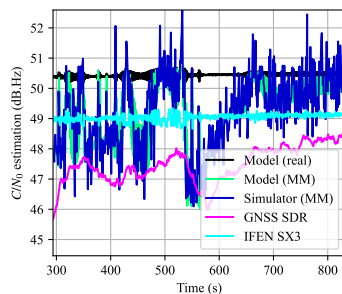
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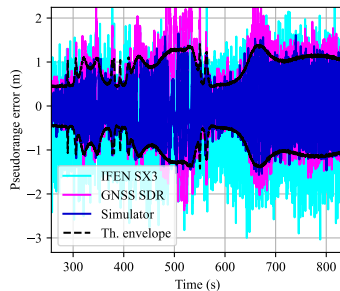


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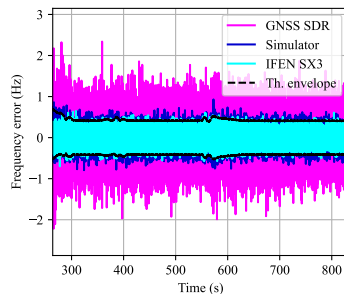
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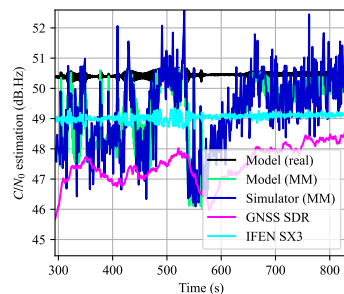
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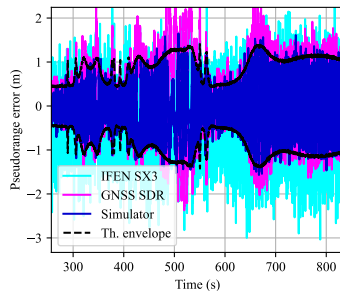


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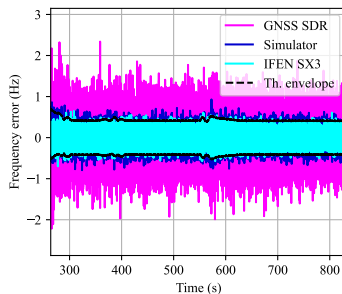
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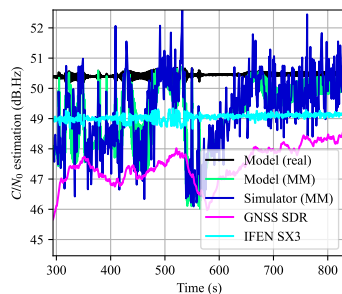
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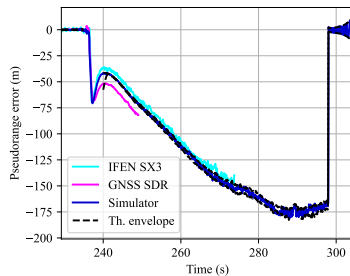


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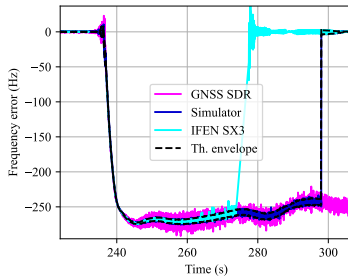
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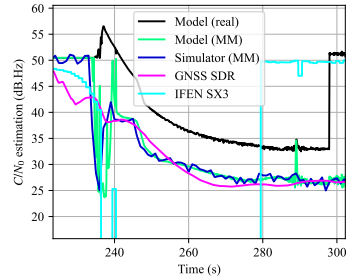
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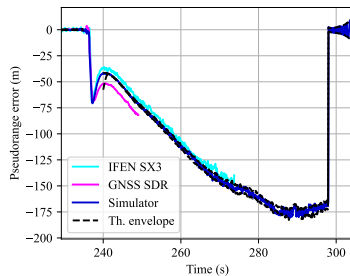
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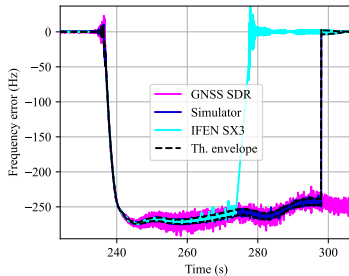
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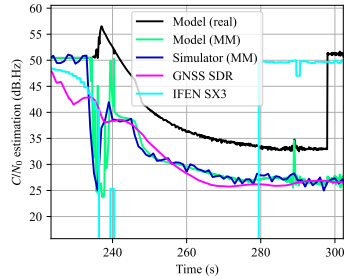
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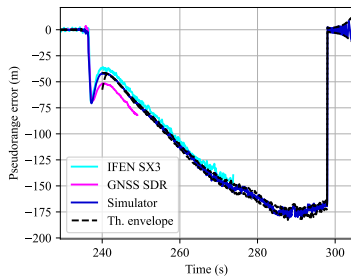


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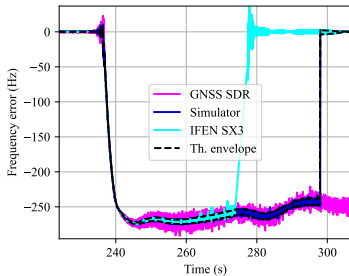
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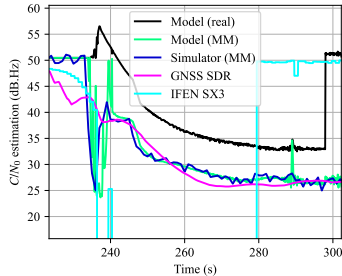
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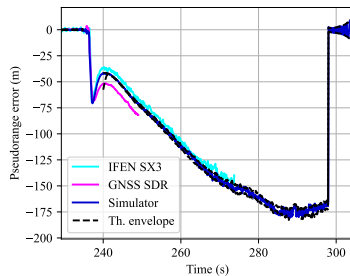


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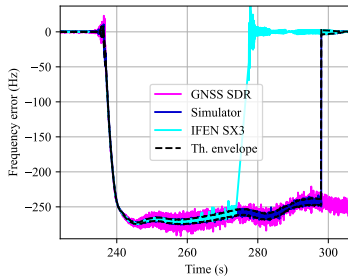
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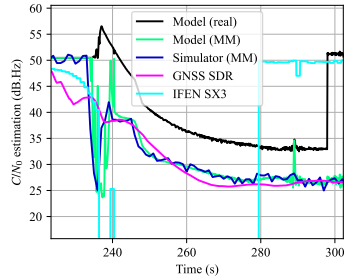
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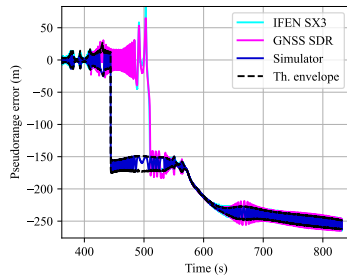


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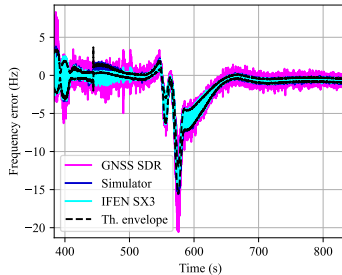
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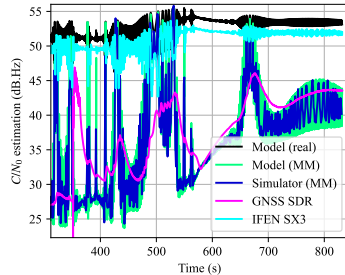
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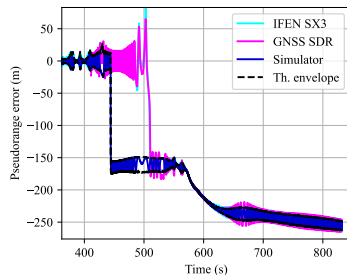
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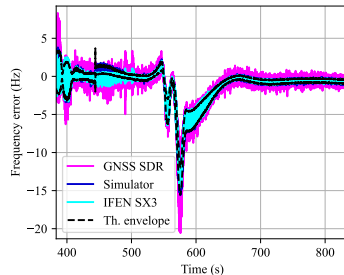
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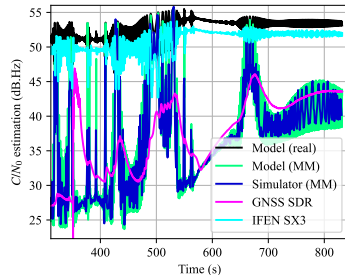
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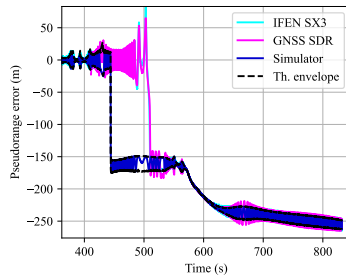


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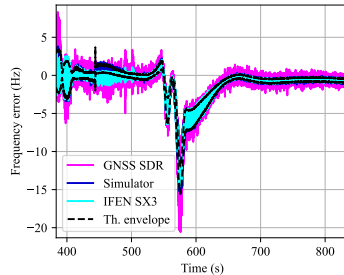
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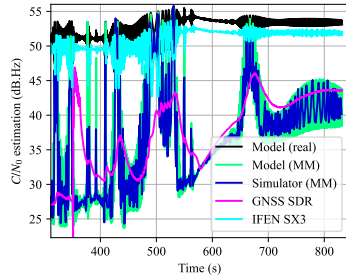
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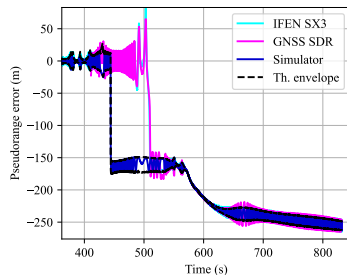


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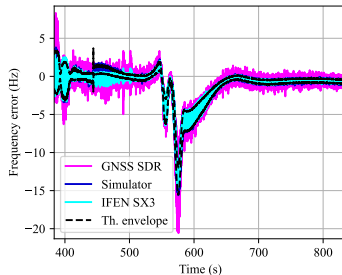
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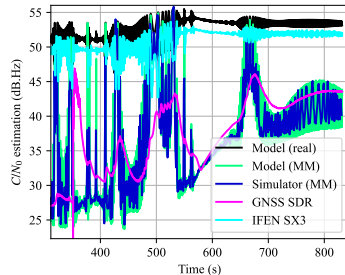
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