

Design and Analysis of a 2-D Eigenspace-Based Interference Canceller

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Abstract—This paper deals with the problem of eigenspace-based interference cancellation using a two-dimensional (2-D) rectangular array. An efficient 2-D signal blocking technique is presented to remove the desired signal from the received array data. In conjunction with the 2-D signal blocking technique, a positive definite matrix is further constructed and used to compensate the effect of the signal blocking operation on the sensor noise received by a 2-D eigenspace-based interference canceller (EIC). Therefore, the interference subspace required for computing the optimal weight vector of the designed 2-D EIC can be obtained by simply using conventional eigenvalue decomposition methods instead of any complicated generalized eigenvalue decomposition methods. The performances of the designed 2-D EIC under finite samples and steering angle error are also evaluated. The developed theoretical results are confirmed by several simulation examples.

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I. INTRODUCTION

ADAPTIVE interference cancellation can be used for maximizing the rejection of interference regardless of the interference-to-noise ratio (INR) when processing array data. This goal can be efficiently achieved by utilizing eigenspace-based interference cancellers (EIC's) as presented in the literature [1]–[6]. A common feature for these EIC's is that the interference subspace (IS) spanned by the interferers must be first computed. Then, the optimal weight vector is computed by maximizing the output signal-to-noise power ratio (SNR) subject to a constraint of orthogonality to the IS.

Notable among these EIC's is the one presented by [4] due to its several advantages over the others. Using a one-dimensional (1-D) uniformly linear array (ULA) and an appropriately designed signal blocking processor which blocks the desired signal from the received array data, it finds the IS through the generalized eigenvalue decomposition (GEVD) of the correlation matrix of the data vector at the output of the signal blocking processor. However, the noise component left in the blocked data vector is no longer spatially white because of using the signal blocking matrix. Hence, finding the required IS for computing the optimal weight vector inevitably resorts to a complicated GEVD. As a result, it is very difficult to evaluate the statistical performance under finite samples and

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the robust capability against steering angle error for the EIC. Moreover, the technique presented in [4] cannot be extended to process two-dimensional (2-D) array data since its 1-D blocking scheme can not be directly applied to the 2-D case. In the literature, there are practically no papers dealing with eigenspace-based interference cancellation using 2-D adaptive arrays.

In this paper, we present the theoretical results for designing and analyzing an EIC using a 2-D adaptive array. Two 1-D blocking matrices are first designed for both row and column subarrays, respectively. Using the blocked data vectors at the output of these 1-D blocking matrices and the properties of Kronecker product for matrices, a 2-D blocking technique is developed to construct a blocked data correlation matrix R that does not contain the desired signal component for computing the IS. However, the noise component in R is no longer spatially white, which introduces more complexity in computing the IS. To eliminate this effect, a positive definite matrix Ω is created from the designed blocking scheme and $\pi_n\Omega$ is then added to R , where π_n is the background noise power. The resulting data correlation matrix $R + \pi_n\Omega$ then possesses a noise component which is spatially white. As a result, we can find an orthogonal basis matrix of the IS by performing the conventional EVD and then construct the optimal weight vector using this orthogonal basis matrix. This technique facilitates the analyses of the statistical performance under finite samples and the robust capability against steering angle error for the 2-D EIC. Theoretical results on the expectation of the output signal-to-interference plus noise ratio (SINR) are presented for showing the statistical performance of the 2-D EIC. As to the robust capability against steering angle error, it is shown that the performance of the 2-D EIC may be significantly degraded even if there is a small steering angle error. However, using the proposed 2-D blocking technique with higher order can alleviate the difficulty. The breakdown threshold for the 2-D EIC's performance due to steering angle error is also derived.

This paper is organized as follows. Section II presents the design of an eigenspace-based interference canceller using a 2-D rectangular array. A 2-D blocking technique is developed and the construction of a positive definite matrix for eliminating the effect of the 2-D blocking operation on the spatially white noise received by the 2-D array is proposed. Section III analyzes the statistical performance under finite snapshots for the designed 2-D EIC. The performance of the designed 2-D EIC in the presence of steering angle error is evaluated in Section IV. Several simulation examples for illustration

and confirmation of the theoretical works are provided in Section V. Finally, Section VI gives a conclusion for this paper.

II. DESIGN OF A 2-D EIGENSPACE-BASED INTERFERENCE CANCELLER

A. The 2-D Array Data Model

Consider a 2-D $\bar{M} \times \bar{N}$ uniform rectangular array (URA) with sensors located on the X - Y plane at the positions $((m-1)\lambda/2, (n-1)\lambda/2)$ for $m = 1, 2, \dots, \bar{M}$ and $n = 1, 2, \dots, \bar{N}$, where λ represents the signal wavelength. Let the signal impinging on the array from the elevation angle θ and azimuth angle ϕ yield a unit magnitude response and a phase response given by $\exp\{j[(m-1)\pi u + (n-1)\pi v]\}$ at the array sensor located at $((m-1)\lambda/2, (n-1)\lambda/2)$, where $j = \sqrt{-1}$ and $(u, v) = (\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi), \sin(\theta)\sin(\phi))$. P narrow-band signals are impinging on the URA from P distinct angles (u_i, v_i) for $i = 1, 2, \dots, P$. Thus, the data received by the sensor located at $((m-1)\lambda/2, (n-1)\lambda/2)$ can be expressed as

$$\bar{x}_{m,n}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^P \bar{s}_i(t) \exp\{j[(m-1)\pi u_i + (n-1)\pi v_i]\} + \bar{y}_{m,n}(t) \quad (1)$$

where $\bar{s}_i(t)$ denotes the complex waveform of the signal emitted by the i th source and $\bar{y}_{m,n}(t)$ the spatially white sensor noise independent of $\bar{s}_i(t)$. Without loss of generality, assume that $\bar{s}_1(t)$ is the desired signal with direction angle (u_1, v_1) and the other $P-1$ signals are interferers. From (1), the data matrix received by the URA is given by

$$\bar{X}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^P [\bar{A}_c(u_i) \bar{A}_r(v_i)^T] \bar{s}_i(t) + \bar{Y}(t) \quad (2)$$

where $\bar{A}_c(u_i) = [1, \exp\{j\pi u_i\}, \dots, \exp\{j(\bar{M}-1)\pi u_i\}]^T$, $\bar{A}_r(v_i) = [1, \exp\{j\pi v_i\}, \dots, \exp\{j(\bar{N}-1)\pi v_i\}]^T$, and $\bar{Y}(t)$ is the received noise matrix. Rewriting (2) in vector form, we have

$$\text{vec}\{\bar{X}(t)\} = [\bar{x}_{1,1}(t), \dots, \bar{x}_{\bar{M},1}(t), \bar{x}_{1,2}(t), \dots, \bar{x}_{\bar{M},2}(t), \bar{x}_{1,3}(t), \dots, \bar{x}_{1,\bar{N}}(t), \dots, \bar{x}_{\bar{M},\bar{N}}(t)]^T. \quad (3)$$

Using the following property of Kronecker product [7]:

$$\langle \text{KP.1} \rangle \quad \text{vec}\{Q_1 Q_2 Q_3^T\} = (Q_3 \otimes Q_1) \text{vec}\{Q_2\}$$

where Q_i are matrices with appropriate sizes, we can rewrite (3) as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vec}\{\bar{X}(t)\} &= \sum_{i=1}^P \bar{A}(u_i, v_i) \bar{s}_i(t) + \text{vec}\{\bar{Y}(t)\} \\ &= \bar{A}_S \bar{S}_S(t) + \text{vec}\{\bar{Y}(t)\} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where the response vector of the i th signal source $\bar{A}(u_i, v_i) = \bar{A}_r(v_i) \otimes \bar{A}_c(u_i)$, the response matrix of the P signal sources

$\bar{A}_S = [\bar{A}(u_1, v_1) \dots \bar{A}(u_P, v_P)]$, and the signal source vector $\bar{S}_S(t) = [\bar{s}_1(t), \dots, \bar{s}_P(t)]^T$. The correlation matrix of $\text{vec}\{\bar{X}(t)\}$ is then given by

$$\bar{R} = E\{\text{vec}\{\bar{X}(t)\} \text{vec}\{\bar{X}(t)\}^H\} = \bar{A}_S \bar{\Psi}_S \bar{A}_S^H + \pi_n I_{\bar{M}\bar{N}} \quad (5)$$

where $\bar{\Psi}_S = E\{\bar{S}_S(t) \bar{S}_S(t)^H\}$ denotes the full rank correlation matrix of the signal sources, π_n the noise power, and $I_{\bar{M}\bar{N}}$ the $\bar{M}\bar{N} \times \bar{M}\bar{N}$ identity matrix.

B. The 2-D Blocking Technique

In the following, we present a technique for the design of a 2-D EIC with a steering angle (u_0, v_0) . Utilizing the results presented in [4] and letting the steering angle be accordant with the direction angle (u_1, v_1) of the desired signal, we can construct a blocking matrix B_c for the column subarrays of the 2-D URA such that

$$B_c^H \bar{A}_c(u_i) = d_{c,i} A_c(u_i) \quad \text{with } d_{c,i} = (e^{j\pi u_i} - e^{j\pi u_1})^\beta$$

and

$$A_c(u_i) = J_c \bar{A}_c(u_i) \quad (6)$$

where β is the order of B_c . $J_c = [I_M \ O_{M,\beta}]$ is the row selection matrix which selects the first $M = \bar{M} - \beta$ rows of $\bar{A}_c(u_i)$, where $O_{m,n}$ is an $m \times n$ zero matrix. Similar results can be obtained for the row subarrays as

$$B_r^H \bar{A}_r(v_i) = d_{r,i} A_r(v_i) \quad \text{with } d_{r,i} = (e^{j\pi v_i} - e^{j\pi v_1})^\delta$$

and

$$A_r(v_i) = J_r \bar{A}_r(v_i) \quad (7)$$

where δ is the order of B_r . $J_r = [I_N \ O_{N,\delta}]$ is the row selection matrix which selects the first $N = \bar{N} - \delta$ rows of $\bar{A}_r(v_i)$. Based on the above results, we present a 2-D blocking technique as follows.

Theorem 1: Let the matrix R be given by

$$R = \tilde{B}_c^H \bar{R} \tilde{B}_c + \tilde{B}_r^H \bar{R} \tilde{B}_r, \quad \text{with } \tilde{B}_c = J_r^T \otimes B_c$$

and

$$\tilde{B}_r = B_r \otimes J_c^T. \quad (8)$$

Then R is an autocorrelation matrix of the blocked 2-D array data which contain all the interferers except the desired signal.

Proof: Based on the fact that $\tilde{B}_c = J_r^T \otimes B_c$, $\bar{A}(u_i, v_i) = \bar{A}_r(v_i) \otimes \bar{A}_c(u_i)$, and the property of Kronecker product [7]

$$\langle \text{KP.2} \rangle \quad (Q_1 \otimes Q_2)(Q_3 \otimes Q_4) = (Q_1 Q_3) \otimes (Q_2 Q_4)$$

it can be shown that

$$\tilde{B}_c^H \bar{A}(u_i, v_i) = d_{c,i} A(u_i, v_i). \quad (9)$$

where $d_{c,i}$ is given by (6) and $A(u_i, v_i) = A_r(v_i) \otimes A_c(u_i)$. Based on (5) and (9), then we have

$$\tilde{B}_c^H \bar{R} \tilde{B}_c = A_S \tilde{D}_c \bar{\Psi}_S \tilde{D}_c^H A_S^H + \pi_n \tilde{B}_c^H \tilde{B}_c \quad (10)$$

where $A_S = [A(u_1, v_1), \dots, A(u_P, v_P)]$ and $\tilde{D}_c = \text{diag}\{d_{c,1}, \dots, d_{c,P}\}$. Based on the fact of $d_{c,1} = 0$ and the property of KP.2, (10) can be further written as

$$\tilde{B}_c^H \bar{R} \tilde{B}_c = A_I D_c \bar{\Psi}_I D_c^H A_I^H + \pi_n (I_N \otimes (B_c^H B_c)) \quad (11)$$

where $A_I = [A(u_2, v_2), \dots, A(u_P, v_P)]$, $D_c = \text{diag}\{d_{c,2}, \dots, d_{c,P}\}$, $\bar{\Psi}_I = E\{\bar{S}_I(t)\bar{S}_I(t)^H\}$, and $\bar{S}_I(t) = [\bar{s}_2(t), \dots, \bar{s}_P(t)]^T$. Similar to (11), we have the following result for the row subarrays:

$$\tilde{B}_r^H \bar{R} \tilde{B}_r = A_I D_r \bar{\Psi}_I D_r^H A_I^H + \pi_n ((B_r^H B_r) \otimes I_M) \quad (12)$$

where $D_r = \text{diag}\{d_{r,2}, \dots, d_{r,P}\}$. Summing (11) and (12) yields

$$R = \tilde{B}_c^H \bar{R} \tilde{B}_c + \tilde{B}_r^H \bar{R} \tilde{B}_r = A_I \bar{\Psi}_I A_I^H + \pi_n \Phi \quad (13)$$

where

$$\Psi_I = D_c \bar{\Psi}_I D_c^H + D_r \bar{\Psi}_I D_r^H \quad (14)$$

and

$$\Phi = I_N \otimes (B_c^H B_c) + (B_r^H B_r) \otimes I_M. \quad (15)$$

Clearly, Ψ_I is a positive definite matrix if $(u_i, v_i) \neq (u_1, v_1)$ for all $i = 2, \dots, P$. From (13) to (15), we note that R is the autocorrelation matrix of a data vector which does not contain the desired signal component. \square

C. The 2-D EIC Formulation

Based on the 1-D results of [4], the criterion in finding the optimal weight vector for the 2-D EIC can be defined as maximizing the output SNR subject to a constraint of orthogonality to the IS. Accordingly, we have to solve the following optimization problem:

$$\text{Maximize } \frac{|W^H A(u_1, v_1)|^2}{W^H W} \quad \text{subject to } W \perp \text{range}\{A_I\} \quad (16)$$

where $A(u_1, v_1)$ serves as the steering vector. The optimal solution of (16) is given by

$$W_o = (I_{MN} - A_I (A_I^H A_I)^{-1} A_I^H) A(u_1, v_1). \quad (17)$$

Equation (17) reveals that the matrix $A_I = [A(u_2, v_2), \dots, A(u_P, v_P)]$ due to the $P - 1$ interferers must be found in order to compute W_o . However, A_I cannot be known *a priori*. Basically, one can resort to finding a basis matrix spanning $\text{range}\{A_I\}$ to solve this problem. Unfortunately, the matrix Φ given by (15) is generally not an identity matrix. Hence, we have to perform the GEVD of R . Let the generalized eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors be designated as γ_i and g_i , respectively. Accordingly, we have the following expression:

$$R g_i = \gamma_i \Phi g_i \quad (18)$$

where $\gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq \gamma_{P-1} > \gamma_P = \dots = \gamma_{MN} = \pi_n$. Let $G_I = [g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{P-1}]$, then it can be shown that $\text{range}\{A_I\} = \text{range}\{\Phi G_I\}$. Therefore, the optimal weight vector of (17) can be rewritten as

$$W_o = (I_{MN} - (\Phi G_I) ((\Phi G_I)^H (\Phi G_I))^{-1} (\Phi G_I)^H) A(u_1, v_1). \quad (19)$$

From (19), we note that performing the complicated GEVD of R is inevitable for computing the optimal weight vector W_o .

Moreover, evaluating the statistical performance under finite data samples and the sensitivity to steering angle error for the 2-D EIC becomes very difficult because the GEVD of R is necessary for designing the 2-D EIC.

To tackle the above two problems, in Appendix A, an efficient method is presented to construct such a positive definite matrix Ω that the effect of the 2-D blocking operation on the noise component of the received array data can be eliminated, i.e., $\Phi + \Omega = \sigma^2 I_{MN}$. Thus, we obtain

$$R_w = R + \pi_n \Omega = A_I \bar{\Psi}_I A_I^H + \sigma^2 \pi_n I_{MN}. \quad (20)$$

Equation (20) reveals that the corresponding noise component in R_w becomes spatially white. Performing the EVD of R_w , we have the following expression:

$$R_w e_i = \lambda_i e_i \quad (21)$$

where $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_{P-1} > \lambda_P = \dots = \lambda_{MN} = \sigma^2 \pi_n$. Let the matrix $E_I = [e_1 \dots e_{P-1}]$ and the matrix $E_R = [e_P \dots e_{MN}]$. It is easy to show that $[E_I \ E_R]^H [E_I \ E_R] = I_{MN}$ and

$$\text{range}\{E_I\} = \text{range}\{A_I\} \perp \text{range}\{E_R\} \quad (22)$$

i.e., E_I is an orthogonal basis matrix spanning $\text{range}\{A_I\}$ and E_R is an orthogonal basis matrix spanning the complement of $\text{range}\{A_I\}$. It follows from (22) that the optimal weight vector for the 2-D EIC based on the criterion of (16) can be rewritten as

$$W_o = (I_{MN} - E_I E_I^H) A(u_1, v_1) = E_R E_R^H A(u_1, v_1). \quad (23)$$

III. STATISTICAL PERFORMANCE UNDER FINITE DATA SAMPLES

In practice, the number of signal sources P , the background noise power π_n , and the ensemble correlation matrix \bar{R} required for implementing the 2-D EIC are not available and usually estimated from the received data snapshots. Using the first K data snapshots, we obtain the estimate P for the number of signal sources based on the AIC or MDL criterion presented by [11]. Moreover, implementing the AIC or MDL criterion requires performing the EVD of the corresponding data correlation matrix. Therefore, π_n can be estimated by utilizing the eigenvalue method of [12] during the same estimation process. Let the estimated value be denoted as $\hat{\pi}_n$. Then, the next L data snapshots are used to compute the sample correlation matrix \hat{R} as follows:

$$\hat{R} = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{l=1}^L \text{vec}\{\bar{X}(t_l)\} \text{vec}\{\bar{X}(t_l)\}^H \quad (24)$$

to replace \bar{R} , where $\bar{X}(t_l)$ is the data matrix received at the time instant t_l . The correlation matrix R_w of (20) is then replaced by

$$\hat{R}_w = \hat{R} + \hat{\pi}_n \Omega \quad (25)$$

where

$$\hat{R} = \tilde{B}_c^H \hat{R} \tilde{B}_c + \tilde{B}_r^H \hat{R} \tilde{B}_r. \quad (26)$$

It is appropriate to assume that $\hat{\pi}_n$ and \hat{R} are independent in this case. Thus, (21) becomes

$$\hat{R}_w \hat{e}_i = \hat{\lambda}_i \hat{e}_i \quad (27)$$

where $\hat{\lambda}_1 \geq \hat{\lambda}_2 \geq \dots \geq \hat{\lambda}_{MN}$. Since the number of interferers is $P - 1$, the corresponding basis matrix of IS and its complement are given by $\hat{E}_I = [\hat{e}_1 \dots \hat{e}_{P-1}]$ and $\hat{E}_R = [\hat{e}_P \dots \hat{e}_{MN}]$, respectively. Consequently, the optimal weight vector for the 2-D EIC under finite snapshots is given by

$$\hat{W}_o = (I_{MN} - \hat{E}_I \hat{E}_I^H) A(u_1, v_1) = \hat{E}_R \hat{E}_R^H A(u_1, v_1). \quad (28)$$

The statistical performance of the proposed 2-D EIC under finite data samples is given by the following theorem.

Theorem 2: For the case of input INR high enough, the expectation of the output SINR can be approximately given by

$$E\{\widehat{\text{SINR}}_o\} \approx \text{SINR}_o \left(1 - \frac{1}{L} FSP\right) \quad (29)$$

where SINR_o denotes the array output SINR without the finite sample effect. FSP represents the factor of statistical performance and is given by

$$FSP = \omega^{-1} (\xi_{r,r} \omega_{r,r} + \xi_{c,c} \omega_{c,c} + \xi_{r,c} \omega_{c,r} + \xi_{c,r} \omega_{r,c}) \quad (30)$$

where $\omega = W_o^H W_o$

$$\begin{cases} \omega_{c,c} = W_o^H \tilde{B}_c^H \tilde{B}_c W_o, & \omega_{r,r} = W_o^H \tilde{B}_r^H \tilde{B}_r W_o \\ \omega_{c,r} = W_o^H \tilde{B}_c^H \tilde{B}_r W_o, & \omega_{r,c} = W_o^H \tilde{B}_r^H \tilde{B}_c W_o \end{cases} \quad (31)$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \xi_{c,c} = \text{Tr}\{\Psi_I^{-1} \bar{\Psi}_I \Psi_I^{-1} D_c \bar{\Psi}_I D_c^H\} \\ \xi_{r,r} = \text{Tr}\{\Psi_I^{-1} \bar{\Psi}_I \Psi_I^{-1} D_r \bar{\Psi}_I D_r^H\} \\ \xi_{c,r} = \text{Tr}\{\Psi_I^{-1} \bar{\Psi}_I \Psi_I^{-1} D_c \bar{\Psi}_I D_r^H\} \\ \xi_{r,c} = \text{Tr}\{\Psi_I^{-1} \bar{\Psi}_I \Psi_I^{-1} D_r \bar{\Psi}_I D_c^H\} \end{cases} \quad (32)$$

Proof: Please see Appendix B. \square

If the interferers are uncorrelated, (32) can be further simplified as

$$\begin{cases} \xi_{c,c} = \sum_{i=2}^P |d_{c,i}|^2 (|d_{c,i}|^2 + |d_{r,i}|^2)^{-2} \\ \xi_{r,r} = \sum_{i=2}^P |d_{r,i}|^2 (|d_{c,i}|^2 + |d_{r,i}|^2)^{-2} \\ \xi_{c,r} = \sum_{i=2}^P d_{c,i} d_{r,i}^* (|d_{c,i}|^2 + |d_{r,i}|^2)^{-2} \\ \xi_{r,c} = \sum_{i=2}^P d_{r,i} d_{c,i}^* (|d_{r,i}|^2 + |d_{c,i}|^2)^{-2} \end{cases}. \quad (33)$$

Moreover, we have the following result.

Theorem 3: If the angle separations between the interferers and the desired signal satisfy that $|u_i - u_1| \geq 1/3$ or $|v_i - v_1| \geq 1/3$ for $i = 2, 3, \dots, P$, it can be shown that

$$E\{\widehat{\text{SINR}}_o\} > \text{SINR}_o (1 - (P-1)(\sigma_c + \sigma_r)^2/L) \quad (34)$$

where σ_c^2 and σ_r^2 are given by (A-11).

Proof: Please see Appendix D. \square

Theorem 3 provides a lower bound of the convergence rate for the proposed 2-D EIC under the situation considered. For example, consider the situation where the direction angle of the desired signal $(u_1, v_1) = (0, 0)$, the blocking orders $(\beta, \delta) = (1, 1)$, and the direction angles of interferers (u_i, v_i) with $|u_i| \geq 1/3$ or $|v_i| \geq 1/3$ for $i = 2, 3, \dots, P$. Then, we have $\sigma_c^2 = \sigma_r^2 = 4$. A lower bound of the output SINR can be obtained from (34) and is given by

$$E\{\widehat{\text{SINR}}_o\} > \text{SINR}_o (1 - 16(P-1)/L). \quad (35)$$

Equation (35) shows that a satisfactory convergence speed for the designed 2-D EIC can be guaranteed in this case.

To result in a simpler version of the above theoretical results for providing an insight, we next consider a special situation where all the uncorrelated interferers are located outside the array mainlobe and the angle separations between the desired signal and the interferers are large enough so that

$$A_I (A_I^H A_I)^{-1} A_I^H A(u_1, v_1) \ll A(u_1, v_1). \quad (36)$$

Moreover, \bar{M} and \bar{N} are greater than 2β and 2δ , respectively. Based on these two conditions, the optimal weight vector given by (17) can be reduced to an approximation of $W_o \approx A(u_1, v_1)$ and, hence, $\omega \approx MN$, the results in (31) can be simplified as the following approximations:

$$\begin{cases} \omega_{c,c} \approx 2N \sum_{i=0}^{\beta-1} \left[\sum_{k=0}^i (-1)^k \binom{\beta}{k} \right]^2, \\ \omega_{r,r} \approx 2M \sum_{i=0}^{\delta-1} \left[\sum_{k=0}^i (-1)^k \binom{\delta}{k} \right]^2 \\ \omega_{c,r} = \omega_{r,c}^* \approx e^{j(\pi u_1 - \pi v_1)}, \\ \text{for } (\beta, \delta) = (1, 1), \quad \approx 0, \quad \text{for } (\beta, \delta) \neq (1, 1). \end{cases} \quad (37)$$

Then, we can simply substitute (33) and (37) into (30) to obtain the corresponding FSP .

IV. PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS UNDER STEERING ANGLE ERROR

In this case, the steering angle is not accordant with the direction angle of the desired signal, i.e., $(u_0, v_0) \neq (u_1, v_1)$. The blocking factors shown in (6) and (7) become

$$d_{c,i} = (e^{j\pi u_i} - e^{j\pi u_0})^\beta \quad \text{and} \quad d_{r,i} = (e^{j\pi v_i} - e^{j\pi v_0})^\delta \quad (38)$$

respectively. The mismatch between (u_0, v_0) and (u_1, v_1) leads to a result that the blocked data correlation matrix R given by (8) contains a leakage due to the desired signal and becomes

$$R = A_S \Psi_S A_S^H + \pi_n \Phi \quad (39)$$

where $A_S = [A(u_1, v_1), \dots, A(u_P, v_P)]$, $\Psi_S = \tilde{D}_c \bar{\Psi}_S \tilde{D}_c^H + \tilde{D}_r \bar{\Psi}_S \tilde{D}_r^H$, $\tilde{D}_c = \text{diag}\{d_{c,1}, \dots, d_{c,P}\}$, and $\tilde{D}_r = \text{diag}\{d_{r,1}, \dots, d_{r,P}\}$, respectively. Since $(d_{c,i}, d_{r,i}) \neq (0, 0)$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, P$, Ψ_S is a $P \times P$ positive definite matrix. Hence the matrix $R_w = R + \pi_n \Omega$ has P principal eigenvalues

which are greater than $\sigma^2\pi_n$ and the corresponding eigenvectors spans the subspace range $\{A_S\}$. The computed basis matrix E_I will contain more than $P-1$ principal eigenvectors of R_w if the number of interferers is overestimated. From (23), the optimal weight vector corresponding to this case is given by

$$W_o = (I_{MN} - E_I E_I^H) A(u_0, v_0). \quad (40)$$

This leads to the result that the 2-D EIC fails to work due to that range $\{E_I\}$ contains the vector $A(u_1, v_1)$ and the constraint of $W_o^H E_I = 0$.

Next, consider the situation where the number of interferers is exactly known and the desired signal is uncorrelated with the $(P-1)$ interferers. Based on (39), we have

$$R_w = R + \pi_n \Omega = \pi_1 A(u_1, v_1) A(u_1, v_1)^H + R_I + \sigma^2 \pi_n I_{MN} \quad (41)$$

where $\pi_1 = (|d_{c,1}|^2 + |d_{r,1}|^2) E\{|\bar{s}_1(t)|^2\}$ denotes the power of the desired signal leakage in the output after the 2-D blocking operation. $R_I = A_I \Psi_I A_I$, where Ψ_I is given by (14) except that the entries of D_c and D_r are now given by (38). Let the $P-1$ nonzero eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors of R_I be given by $\kappa_1 \geq \dots \geq \kappa_{P-1} > 0$ and z_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots, P-1$, respectively. For further simplicity, assume that the interferers are located far away from the desired signal so that $A(u_1, v_1)^H A(u_i, v_i) \approx 0$ for $i = 2, 3, \dots, P$. Then, the eigenvalues λ_i which are greater than $\sigma^2\pi_n$ and the corresponding eigenvectors e_i of R_w can be approximated as $\lambda_i \approx \kappa_i + \sigma^2\pi_n$ and $e_i \approx z_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, P-1$, $\lambda_P \approx MN\pi_1 + \sigma^2\pi_n$ and $e_P \approx A(u_1, v_1)/\sqrt{MN}$, respectively. Note that E_I consists of the first $P-1$ principal eigenvectors of R_w . As a result, E_I consists of z_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots, P-1$ when $MN\pi_1 < \kappa_{P-1}$. Hence, range $\{E_I\} \approx$ range $\{A_I\}$ and the 2-D EIC works normally. On the other hand, E_I contains the normalized response vector $A(u_1, v_1)/\sqrt{MN}$ if $MN\pi_1 > \kappa_{P-1}$. From the optimal weight vector given by (40), we note that the desired signal will be suppressed due to the constraint of $W_o^H E_I = 0$. As shown by (38) and the fact that π_1 is proportional to $(|d_{c,1}|^2 + |d_{r,1}|^2)$, this difficulty could be alleviated by increasing the orders β and δ if the steering angle error is small. In general, the breakdown threshold $MN\pi_1 > \kappa_{P-1}$ happens when R_I is nearly rank-deficient. To look into the effect of $MN\pi_1 > \kappa_{P-1}$, we proceed to consider the case of two uncorrelated and closely separated interferers.

Let the two uncorrelated interferers be closely separated so that $A(u_2, v_2)^H A(u_3, v_3) \approx MN$. From [8, pp. 25–27], we can easily show that

$$\kappa_2 = \frac{MN\pi_2\pi_3}{\pi_2 + \pi_3} (1 - |g_{c,2,3}|^2 |g_{r,2,3}|^2). \quad (42)$$

where $\pi_i = (|d_{c,i}|^2 + |d_{r,i}|^2) E\{|\bar{s}_i(t)|^2\}$ for $i = 2$ and 3 . $g_{c,2,3}$ and $g_{r,2,3}$ are given by

$$\begin{cases} g_{c,2,3} = \frac{\sin(\pi M(u_2 - u_3)/2)}{M \sin(\pi(u_2 - u_3)/2)} e^{j\pi(M-1)(u_2 - u_3)/2} \\ g_{r,2,3} = \frac{\sin(\pi N(v_2 - v_3)/2)}{N \sin(\pi(v_2 - v_3)/2)} e^{j\pi(N-1)(v_2 - v_3)/2}. \end{cases}$$

Hence, the condition $MN\pi_1 > \kappa_2$ causing the performance failure becomes

$$1 - |g_{c,2,3}|^2 |g_{r,2,3}|^2 < \pi_1(\pi_2^{-1} + \pi_3^{-1}). \quad (43)$$

When $|u_2 - u_3|$ and $|v_2 - v_3|$ are small enough, it is also shown in [8] that

$$\begin{cases} |g_{c,2,3}|^2 \approx 1 - \frac{M^2 - 1}{12} \pi^2 (u_2 - u_3)^2 \\ |g_{r,2,3}|^2 \approx 1 - \frac{N^2 - 1}{12} \pi^2 (v_2 - v_3)^2. \end{cases} \quad (44)$$

Substituting (44) into (43) and taking the first-order approximation yields the following performance breakdown threshold

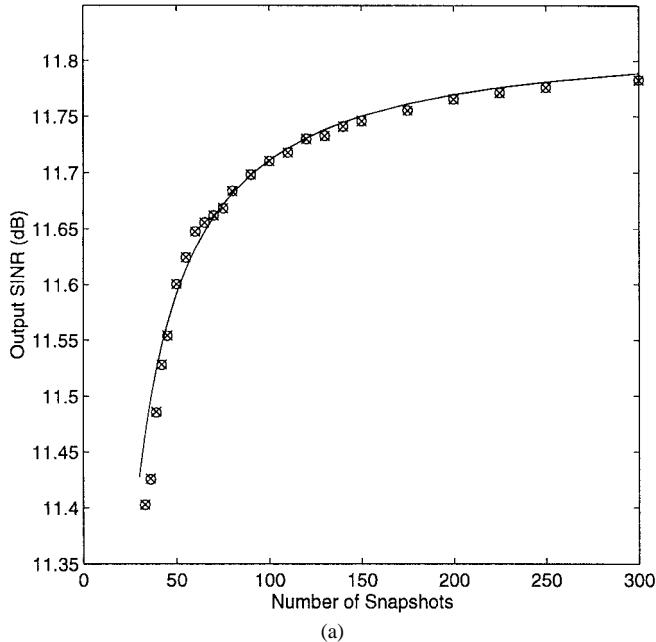
$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{M^2 - 1}{12} \pi^2 (u_2 - u_3)^2 + \frac{N^2 - 1}{12} \pi^2 (v_2 - v_3)^2 \\ &= \pi_1(\pi_2^{-1} + \pi_3^{-1}). \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

V. COMPUTER SIMULATION EXAMPLES

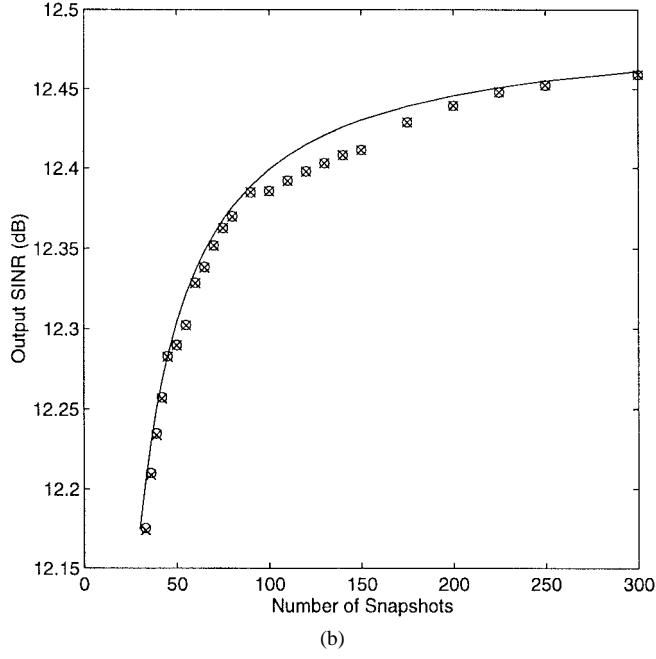
In this section, several simulation examples for illustrating and confirming the theoretical works are presented. The 2-D array used for all simulations is a URA with $\bar{M} = 7$ and $\bar{N} = 6$. Moreover, the simulation results based on the direct GEVD of R given by (18) to obtain an IS basis matrix required for computing the optimal weight vector are also presented for comparison.

Example 1: This example is performed to illustrate the theoretical results presented in Section III. We set $(\beta, \delta) = (1, 1)$. The desired signal with input SNR = 0 dB is impinging on the array from $(u_1, v_1) = (0, 0)$. One interferer has input INR = 20 dB. The first $K = 50$ data snapshots are used to estimate the source number P and the noise power π_n . Fig. 1 plots the array output SINR in dB versus the number of snapshots L for two different interfering angles. Each simulation result is obtained by averaging 100 independent runs with independent noise samples for each run. The solid curve represents the theoretical results computed by using (29) based on (28) and (30)–(32). This confirms the validity of (29) given by Theorem 2. On the other hand, the curve with “x” represents the simulation results for the performance of the 2-D EIC designed by using the proposed technique, while the curve with “o” represents the simulation results of the 2-D EIC designed by using the direct GEVD technique. The coincidence between these two curves shows that the 2-D EIC designed by using the proposed technique provides the same performance as that directly using the complicated GEVD technique.

Comparing the results of Fig. 1(a) and (b), we note that the output SINR of Fig. 1(a) is smaller than that of Fig. 1(b) for each number of snapshots as expected because the angle separation between the desired signal and the interferer is smaller for Fig. 1(a). This phenomenon is further demonstrated in Fig. 2 by plotting the FSP of (30) versus the interfering angle (u_2, v_2) . We note that FSP increases and hence the performance degradation increases as (u_2, v_2) approaches $(u_1, v_1) = (0, 0)$.



(a)



(b)

Fig. 1. The results of *Example 1*. Output SINR versus the number of snapshots for the case of one interferer. Solid line: The theoretical result. “x”: The 2-D EIC using the proposed technique. “o”: The 2-D EIC using the direct GEVD technique. (a) $(u_2, v_2) = (0.11, 0.13)$. (b) $(u_2, v_2) = (0.14, 0.12)$.

Example 2: This example considers the case of multiple interferers. Again, we set $(\beta, \delta) = (1, 1)$. The desired signal

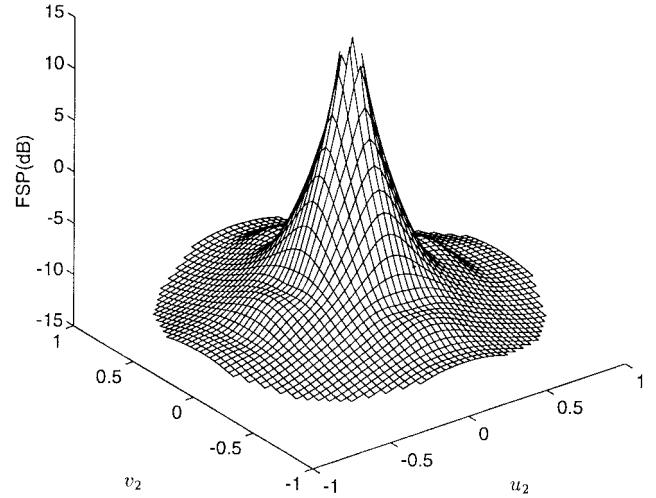


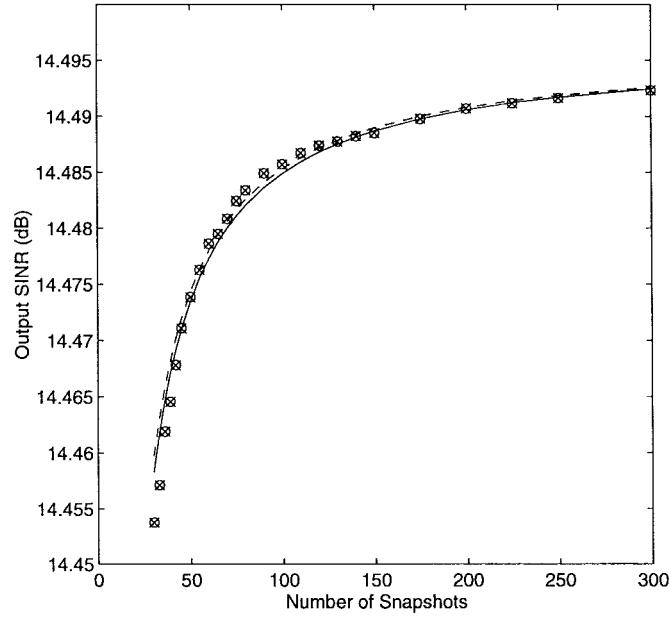
Fig. 2. The factor of statistical performance (FSP) versus the interfering angle for *Example 1*.

with input SNR = 0 dB is impinging on the array from $(u_1, v_1) = (0, 0)$, while the uncorrelated interferers have the same input INR = 20 dB. The first $K = 50$ data snapshots are used to estimate the source number P and the noise power π_n . Fig. 3 depicts the array output SINR in decibels versus the number of snapshots L for different interfering situations. Each simulation result is obtained by averaging 100 independent runs with independent noise samples for each run. The solid curve represents the theoretical results computed by using (29) based on (28) and (30)–(32). In contrast, the dash curve represents the theoretical results computed by using (29) based on the approximations described by (37). The dash curve almost coincides with the solid curve. This confirms the validity of the approximations given by (37). Moreover, the coincidence between the curves with “x” and “o” illustrates that the 2-D EIC’s designed by using the proposed technique and directly using the complicated GEVD technique have the same performance.

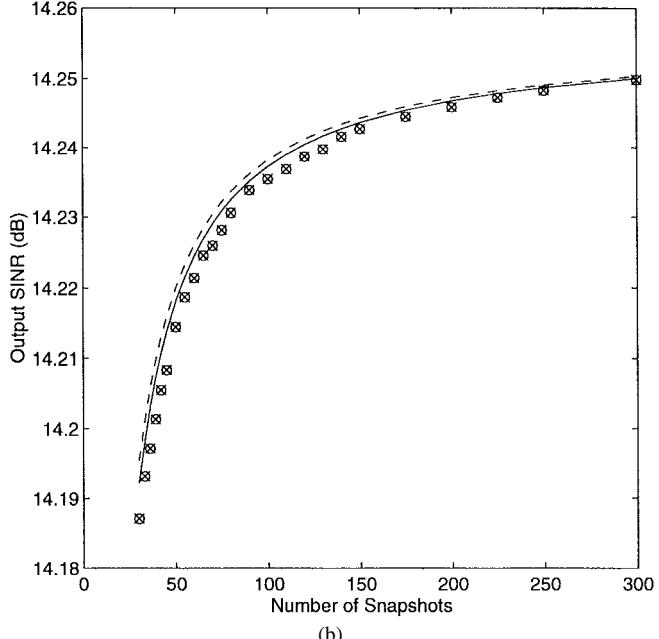
Example 3: Here, we illustrate the performance of the designed 2-D EIC in the presence of steering angle error. The steering angle is $(u_o, v_o) = (0, 0)$. The desired signal with input SNR = 3 dB is impinging on the 2-D array from $(u_1, v_1) = (0.03, 0.03)$. Two uncorrelated interferers with input INR = 3 dB are impinging on the array from $(u_2, v_2) = (0.5, 0.6)$ and $(u_3, v_3) = (u_2 + \Delta u, v_2 + \Delta v)$. To evaluate the sensitivity to the angle separation $(\Delta u, \Delta v)$, we define a robustness index (RI) as follows in (46), shown at the bottom of the page, for the designed 2-D EIC and (47), shown at the bottom of the page, for the 2-D EIC directly

$$R_{IP} = \frac{\text{The output SINR using } W_o \text{ of (40)}}{\text{The output SINR using } W_o \text{ of (17) with } A(u_1, v_1) \text{ replaced by } A(u_0, v_0)} \quad (46)$$

$$RI_h = \frac{\text{The output SINR using } W_o \text{ of (19) with } A(u_1, v_1) \text{ replaced by } A(u_0, v_0)}{\text{The output SINR using } W_o \text{ of (17) with } A(u_1, v_1) \text{ replaced by } A(u_0, v_0)} \quad (47)$$



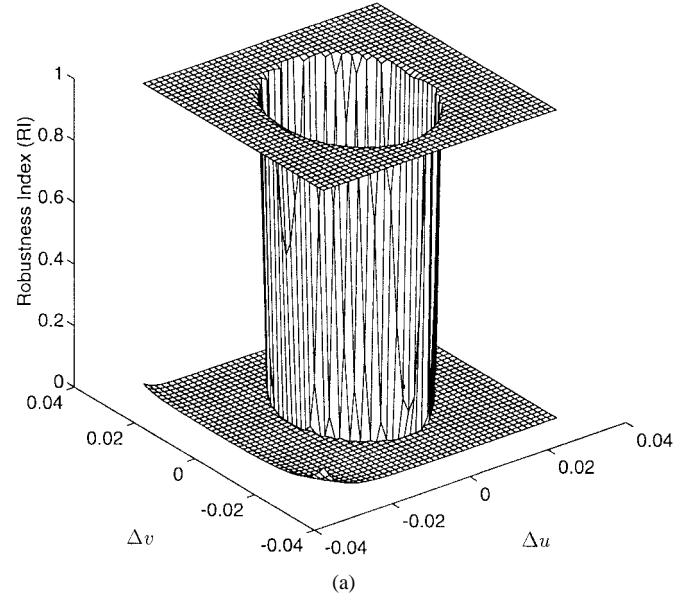
(a)



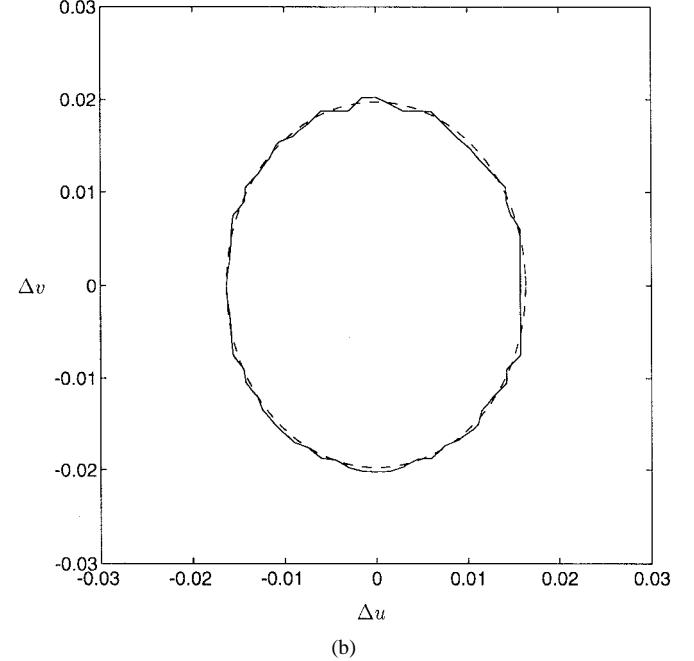
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Fig. 3. The results of *Example 2*. Output SINR versus the number of snapshots. Solid line and dash line: The theoretical results. "x": The 2-D EIC using the proposed technique. "o": The 2-D EIC using the direct GEVD technique. (a) Two interferers with $(u_2, v_2) = (0, 0.6)$ and $(u_3, v_3) = (0.55, 0.45)$. (b) Three interferers with $(u_2, v_2) = (0, 0.6)$, $(u_3, v_3) = (0.55, 0.45)$ and $(u_4, v_4) = (0.5, 0)$.

using the complicated GEVD technique. Fig. 4(a) plots the RI versus $(\Delta u, \Delta v)$. The top curve represents the RI_p versus $(\Delta u, \Delta v)$, while the bottom curve represents the RI_h versus $(\Delta u, \Delta v)$. It shows that the proposed technique possesses the advantage of robust capability against steering angle error over the GEVD technique. Fig. 4(b) depicts the curves of the breakdown threshold for $RI_p = 0.5$. The dash curve represents the breakdown threshold computed by (45), while the solid curve represents the simulation results. This figure also confirms the presented theoretical results.



(a)



(b)

Fig. 4. The performance comparison for *Example 3*. (a) Robustness index versus the interfering angle separation $(\Delta u, \Delta v)$. The top curve: The 2-D EIC using the proposed technique. The bottom curve: The 2-D EIC using the direct GEVD technique. (b) The breakdown threshold curves of the 2-D EIC using the proposed technique. Solid curve: The simulation results. Dash curve: The theoretical results.

VI. CONCLUSION

The theoretical works for the design and analysis of a 2-D eigenspace-based interference canceller (EIC) have been presented. An effective 2-D signal blocking technique is first presented to remove the desired signal from the received array data. To compensate the effect of the signal blocking operation on the sensor noise, a positive definite matrix has been constructed. Therefore, the interference subspace required for computing the optimal weight vector can be obtained by using conventional eigenvalue decomposition methods. The performances of the designed 2-D EIC under finite samples

and steering angle error have been evaluated, respectively. The developed theoretical results are confirmed by several simulation examples. It has been shown that the performance of the designed 2-D EIC is the same as that of a 2-D EIC directly using a complicated GEVD technique in the situation without steering angle error. However, the proposed 2-D EIC possesses the advantage of more robust capability against steering angle error over the 2-D EIC based on the GEVD technique.

APPENDIX A

Let \tilde{I}_m be an $m \times m$ cyclic-shifting matrix defined as

$$\tilde{I}_m = [I_{m,2} \quad I_{m,3} \quad \dots \quad I_{m,m} \quad I_{m,1}] \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where $I_{m,i}$ is the i th column vector of the $m \times m$ identity matrix. Following the results presented in [4], the blocking matrix B_c which satisfies (6) can be constructed as follows:

$$B_c = [\tilde{b}_c \quad \tilde{I}_{\bar{M}} \tilde{b}_c \quad \dots \quad (\tilde{I}_{\bar{M}})^{M-1} \tilde{b}_c] \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where \tilde{b}_c is an $\bar{M} \times 1$ vector given by

$$\tilde{b}_c = [b_{c,0}, \dots, b_{c,\beta}, 0, \dots, 0]^T \quad (\text{A.3})$$

and $b_{c,k}$ are the coefficients satisfying

$$(z - e^{j\pi u_1})^\beta = \sum_{k=0}^{\beta} b_{c,k}^* z^k. \quad (\text{A.4})$$

The subscript “*” denotes the complex conjugate. From (A.2) and (A.3), it can be seen that $B_c^H B_c$ is an $M \times M$ Hermitian and Toeplitz matrix. Furthermore, let $HT\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$ denote an $m \times m$ Hermitian and Toeplitz matrix with its first row given by $[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m]$. Then, we have

$$B_c^H B_c = HT\{\epsilon_{c,0}, \epsilon_{c,1}, \dots, \epsilon_{c,M-1}\}$$

$$\text{with } \epsilon_{c,i} = \sum_{k=0}^{\beta-i} b_{c,k+i}^* b_{c,k}. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Next, we construct an $(M+i) \times 1$ vector as follows:

$$f_c(k, i) = [1 \quad O_{1,i-1} \quad j^k \quad O_{1,M-1}]^T \quad (\text{A.6})$$

where $i = 1, 2, \dots, M-1$ and k is an integer. From (A.6), an $(M+i) \times M$ matrix is constructed as follows:

$$F_c(k, i) = [f_c(k, i) \quad \tilde{I}_{M+i} f_c(k, i) \quad \tilde{I}_{M+i}^2 f_c(k, i) \quad \dots \quad \tilde{I}_{M+i}^{M-1} f_c(k, i)]. \quad (\text{A.7})$$

Using (A.6) and (A.7), we have

$$\Gamma_c(k, i) = F_c(k, i)^H F_c(k, i)$$

$$= HT\{2, O_{1,i-1}, (-j)^k, O_{M-1-i}\}. \quad (\text{A.8})$$

From (A.8), we note that $\Gamma_c(k, i)$ is positive definite, Hermitian, and Toeplitz. Moreover, it is easy to show that

$$|\text{Re}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}| \Gamma_c(2 \text{sgn}(\text{Re}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}), i)$$

$$+ |\text{Im}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}| \Gamma_c(2 \text{sgn}(\text{Im}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}) - 1, i)$$

$$= HT\{2(|\text{Re}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}| + |\text{Im}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}|),$$

$$O_{1,i-1}, -\epsilon_{c,i}, O_{1,M-1-i}\} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, M-1$, where $\text{Re}\{x\}$ and $\text{Im}\{x\}$ denote the real and imaginary parts of x , respectively. $\text{sgn}(x) = 1$ if $x \geq 0$, and $=0$, otherwise. We then construct a positive definite matrix as follows:

$$\Omega_c = \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} (|\text{Re}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}| \Gamma_c(2 \text{sgn}(\text{Re}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}), i) + |\text{Im}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}| \Gamma_c(2 \text{sgn}(\text{Im}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}) - 1, i)). \quad (\text{A.10})$$

Summing (A.5) and (A.10) thus yields a diagonal matrix as follows:

$$B_c^H B_c + \Omega_c = \left(\epsilon_{c,0} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} (|\text{Re}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}| + |\text{Im}\{\epsilon_{c,i}\}|) \right) I_M$$

$$= \sigma_c^2 I_M \quad (\text{A.11})$$

where σ_c^2 denotes the proportional constant. Following the same procedure, we can find a positive definite matrix Ω_r such that $B_r^H B_r + \Omega_r = \sigma_r^2 I_N$ for some positive σ_r^2 . Finally, we form the following matrix:

$$\Omega = I_N \otimes \Omega_c + \Omega_r \otimes I_M. \quad (\text{A.12})$$

Based on (15) and the property of Kronecker product [7]

$$\langle \text{KP.3} \rangle \quad \left(\sum_i Q_i \right) \otimes \left(\sum_k T_k \right) = \sum_i \sum_k (Q_i \otimes T_k)$$

for matrices Q_i and T_k with appropriate sizes, we can easily show that $\Phi + \Omega = \sigma^2 I_{MN}$, where $\sigma^2 = \sigma_c^2 + \sigma_r^2$.

APPENDIX B

Here, we show the result given by (29) in Theorem 2. Performing the EVD of R_w , we obtain the following expression:

$$R_w = E_I \Lambda_I E_I^H + E_R \Lambda_R E_R^H \quad (\text{B.1})$$

where $\Lambda_I = \text{diag}\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_{P-1}\}$ and $\Lambda_R = \text{diag}\{\lambda_P, \lambda_{P+1}, \dots, \lambda_{MN}\} = \sigma^2 \pi_n I_{MN}$. Similarly, we have the following expression:

$$\hat{R}_w = \hat{E}_I \hat{\Lambda}_I \hat{E}_I^H + \hat{E}_R \hat{\Lambda}_R \hat{E}_R^H \quad (\text{B.2})$$

from the EVD of \hat{R}_w , where $\hat{\Lambda}_I = \text{diag}\{\hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2, \dots, \hat{\lambda}_{P-1}\}$ and $\hat{\Lambda}_R = \text{diag}\{\hat{\lambda}_P, \hat{\lambda}_{P+1}, \dots, \hat{\lambda}_{MN}\}$. From (20) and (25), the deviation between \hat{R}_w and R_w due to finite sample effect can be expressed as

$$\Delta R_w = \hat{R}_w - R_w = \Delta R + \Delta \pi_n \Omega \quad (\text{B.3})$$

where $\Delta \pi_n = \hat{\pi}_n - \pi_n$ and $\Delta R = \hat{R} - R$. Using (8) and (26), ΔR is given by

$$\Delta R = \tilde{B}_c^H \Delta \bar{R} \tilde{B}_c + \tilde{B}_r^H \Delta \bar{R} \tilde{B}_r. \quad (\text{B.4})$$

Following the first-order perturbation analysis presented in [9], we can show that

$$\Delta E_R = \hat{E}_R - E_R \approx -R_I^+ \Delta R_w E_R \quad (\text{B.5})$$

where

$$R_I^+ = E_I (\Lambda_I - \sigma^2 \pi_n I_{P-1})^{-1} E_I^H. \quad (\text{B.6})$$

It follows from (B-6) that R_I^+ possesses the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned} R_I^+ &= E_I (A_I^H E_I)^{-1} \Psi_I^{-1} (A_I^H E_I)^{-H} E_I^H, \quad \text{and} \\ R_I^+ R_I R_I^+ &= R_I^+ \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.7})$$

Substituting (B.5) into (28) and preserving only the first-order term, we obtain the following approximation for the optimal weight vector under finite samples:

$$\hat{W}_o \approx W_o + (E_R \Delta E_R^H + \Delta E_R E_R^H) A(u_1, v_1). \quad (\text{B.8})$$

Using (B-8) and the property that $\Delta E_R^H E_R = 0$, we can find the powers of the desired signal, the noise, and the interferers at the array output as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \hat{p}_s &= \bar{\pi}_1 |\hat{W}_o^H A(u_1, v_1)|^2 \approx p_s + \sum_{k=1}^3 \Delta p_{s,k} \\ &\quad + \text{the first-order terms} \\ \hat{p}_n &= \pi_n \hat{W}_o^H \hat{W}_o \approx p_n + \sum_{k=1}^2 \Delta p_{n,k} \\ &\quad + \text{the first-order terms} \\ \hat{p}_i &= \hat{W}_o^H A_I \bar{\Psi}_I A_I \hat{W}_o \approx p_i + \Delta p_i \\ &\quad + \text{the first-order terms} \end{aligned} \right. \quad (\text{B.9})$$

where $p_s = \bar{\pi}_1 |W_o^H A(u_1, v_1)|^2$, $p_n = \pi_n W_o^H W_o$, and $p_i = W_o^H A_I \bar{\Psi}_I A_I^H W_o$ represent the output powers of the desired signal, the noise, and the interferers without finite sample effect, respectively. $\bar{\pi}_1 = E\{|\bar{s}_1(t)|^2\}$ denotes the input power of the desired signal. p_i is negligible when the 2-D EIC works normally. The other terms are the second-order perturbation terms which are given by

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \Delta p_{s,1} &= \Delta p_{s,2}^* = \bar{\pi}_1 (A(u_1, v_1)^H E_R \Delta E_R^H A(u_1, v_1))^2 \\ \Delta p_{s,3} &= 2\bar{\pi}_1 |A(u_1, v_1)^H E_R \Delta E_R^H A(u_1, v_1)|^2 \end{aligned} \right. \quad (\text{B.10})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \Delta p_{n,1} &= \pi_n A(u_1, v_1)^H \Delta E_R \Delta E_R^H A(u_1, v_1), \\ \Delta p_{n,2} &= \pi_n A(u_1, v_1)^H E_R \Delta E_R^H \Delta E_R E_R^H A(u_1, v_1) \end{aligned} \right. \quad (\text{B.11})$$

and

$$\Delta p_i = A(u_1, v_1)^H E_R \Delta E_R^H A_I \bar{\Psi}_I A_I^H \Delta E_R E_R^H A(u_1, v_1) \quad (\text{B.12})$$

respectively. Since p_i is negligible, the output SINR of the 2-D EIC can be written as

$$\widehat{\text{SINR}}_o = \frac{\hat{p}_s}{\hat{p}_i + \hat{p}_n} = \frac{p_s (1 + (\hat{p}_s - p_s)/p_s)}{p_n (1 + (\hat{p}_n - p_n)/p_n + \hat{p}_i/p_n)}. \quad (\text{B.13})$$

Consider the situation where the number of data snapshots is large enough. Utilizing the first-order approximation of $(1 + x)^{-1} \approx 1 - x$ for a small x , we can obtain an approximation for (B-13) as follows:

$$\widehat{\text{SINR}}_o \approx \text{SINR}_o (1 + (\hat{p}_s - p_s)/p_s - (\hat{p}_n - p_n)/p_n - \hat{p}_i/p_n), \quad (\text{B.14})$$

where $\text{SINR}_o = p_s/p_n$ represents the output SINR without finite sample effect. Since the expectation for each of the first-order terms in (B-9) is zero, the expectation of the output SINR can be approximated from (B-14) as follows:

$$E\{\widehat{\text{SINR}}_o\} \approx \text{SINR}_o \left(1 + \frac{E\{\Delta p_s\}}{p_s} - \frac{E\{\Delta p_n\}}{p_n} - \frac{E\{\Delta p_i\}}{p_n} \right) \quad (\text{B.15})$$

$$\text{where } \Delta p_s = \sum_{k=1}^3 \Delta p_{s,k} \text{ and } \Delta p_n = \sum_{k=1}^2 \Delta p_{n,k}.$$

Next, we compute the individual terms in (B.15). As shown in (B.3), the deviation ΔR_w is composed of two independent terms, i.e., $\Delta \pi_n$ and $\Delta \bar{R}$. By using the eigenvalue method of [12] to estimate the noise power, it has been shown that

$$E\{|\Delta \pi_n|^2\} = \frac{\pi_n^2}{K(MN - P)} \quad (\text{B.16})$$

if K data snapshots are used. On the other hand, it has been shown in [10] that the deviation $\Delta \bar{R}$ due to finite sample effect has zero mean and the second-order statistical property as

$$E\{Q_1^H \Delta \bar{R} Q_2 Q_3^H \Delta \bar{R} Q_4\} = \frac{1}{L} \text{Tr}\{Q_3^H \bar{R} Q_2\} (Q_1^H \bar{R} Q_4) \quad (\text{B.17})$$

where Q_i are matrices with appropriate sizes. By substituting (B.5) into (B.10)–(B.12) and using the properties of (B.7), (B.16), and (B.17), the individual terms in (B.15) are computed. The results are listed in Appendix C. It is also shown in Appendix C that the term $LE\{\Delta p_{i,a}\}/p_n$ is dominant in the case of input INR high enough since all the other terms decrease as the input INR increases. Accordingly, (B.15) can be approximately expressed as

$$E\{\widehat{\text{SINR}}_o\} \approx \text{SINR}_o \left(1 - \frac{1}{L} FSP \right) \quad (\text{B.18})$$

for input INR high enough, where the factor of statistical performance $FSP = LE\{\Delta p_{i,a}\}/p_n$ is given by (30).

APPENDIX C

To ease the presentation, we employ the subscripts $x(1)$ and $x(2)$ to replace the subscripts “ r ” and “ c ”, respectively. For example, $B_{x(1)}$ and $B_{x(2)}$ represent the notations B_r and B_c , respectively. Thus, (B-4) can be rewritten as

$$\Delta R = \sum_{i=1}^2 \tilde{B}_{x(i)}^H \Delta \bar{R} \tilde{B}_{x(i)}. \quad (\text{C.1})$$

Using the above notations and performing some algebraic manipulation provides

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} E\{\Delta p_i\}/p_n &\approx E\{\Delta p_{i,a}\}/p_n + E\{\Delta p_{i,b}\}/p_n \\ &\quad + E\{\Delta p_{i,c}\}/p_n \\ E\{\Delta p_{i,a}\}/p_n &= (L\omega)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\xi_{x(k),x(i)} \omega_{x(i),x(k)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{i,b}\}/p_n &= (L\omega)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\text{Tr}\{\pi_n R_I^+ A_I \bar{\Psi}_I \\ &\quad \times A_I^H R_I^+ \tilde{B}_{x(k)}^H \tilde{B}_{x(i)}\} \omega_{x(i),x(k)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{i,c}\}/p_n &= (K(MN - P)\omega)^{-1} \\ &\quad \times (\pi_n W_o^H \Omega R_I^+ A_I \bar{\Psi}_I A_I^H R_I^+ \Omega W_o) \end{aligned} \right. \quad (\text{C.2})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E\{\Delta p_{n,1}\}/p_n \approx E\{\Delta p_{n,1a}\}/p_n \\ \quad + E\{\Delta p_{n,1b}\}/p_n + E\{\Delta p_{n,1c}\}/p_n \\ E\{\Delta p_{n,1a}\}/p_n = (L\omega)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\text{Tr}\{E_R E_R^H \\ \quad \times \tilde{B}_{x(k)}^H \tilde{B}_{x(i)}\} \eta_{x(i),x(k)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{n,1b}\}/p_n = (L\omega)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\text{Tr}\{E_R E_R^H \\ \quad \times \tilde{B}_{x(k)}^H \tilde{B}_{x(i)}\} \rho_{x(i),x(k)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{n,1c}\}/p_n = (K(MN - P)\omega)^{-1} (\pi_n^2 A(u_1, v_1)^H \\ \quad \times R_I^+ \Omega E_R E_R^H \Omega R_I^+ A(u_1, v_1)) \end{array} \right. \quad (C.3)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E\{\Delta p_{n,2}\}/p_n \approx E\{\Delta p_{n,2a}\}/p_n + E\{\Delta p_{n,2b}\}/p_n \\ \quad + E\{\Delta p_{n,2c}\}/p_n \\ E\{\Delta p_{n,2a}\}/p_n = (L\omega)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\text{Tr}\{\pi_n R_I^+ A_I \\ \quad \times D_{x(k)} \bar{\Psi}_I D_{x(i)}^H A_I^H R_I^+\} \omega_{x(i),x(k)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{n,2b}\}/p_n = (L\omega)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\text{Tr}\{\pi_n^2 R_I^+ \tilde{B}_{x(k)}^H \\ \quad \times \tilde{B}_{x(i)} R_I^+\} \omega_{x(i),x(k)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{n,2c}\}/p_n = (K(MN - P)\omega)^{-1} \\ \quad \times (\pi_n^2 W_o^H \Omega R_I^+ R_I^+ \Omega W_o) \end{array} \right. \quad (C.4)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E\{\Delta p_{s,1}\}/p_s \approx E\{\Delta p_{s,1a}\}/p_s + E\{\Delta p_{s,1b}\}/p_s \\ E\{\Delta p_{s,1a}\}/p_s = (L\omega^2)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} [(\pi_n W_o^H \\ \quad \times \tilde{B}_{x(i)}^H \tilde{B}_{x(k)} R_I^+ A(u_1, v_1)) \\ \quad \times (\pi_n W_o^H \tilde{B}_{x(k)}^H \tilde{B}_{x(i)} R_I^+ A(u_1, v_1))] \\ E\{\Delta p_{s,1b}\}/p_s = (K(MN - P)\omega^2)^{-1} \\ \quad \times (\pi_n W_o^H \Omega R_I^+ A(u_1, v_1))^2 \end{array} \right. \quad (C.5)$$

and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E\{\Delta p_{s,3}\}/p_s \approx E\{\Delta p_{s,3a}\}/p_s + E\{\Delta p_{s,3b}\}/p_s \\ \quad + E\{\Delta p_{s,3c}\}/p_s \\ E\{\Delta p_{s,3a}\}/p_s = 2(L\omega^2)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\eta_{x(i),x(k)} \omega_{x(k),x(i)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{s,3b}\}/p_s = 2(L\omega^2)^{-1} \sum_{i,k} (\rho_{x(i),x(k)} \omega_{x(k),x(i)}) \\ E\{\Delta p_{s,3c}\}/p_s = 2(K(MN - P)\omega^2)^{-1} \\ \quad \times |\pi_n W_o^H \Omega R_I^+ A(u_1, v_1)|^2 \end{array} \right. \quad (C.6)$$

respectively, where $\omega = W_o^H W_o$ and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega_{x(i),x(k)} = W_o^H \tilde{B}_{x(i)}^H \tilde{B}_{x(k)} W_o \\ \xi_{x(k),x(i)} = \text{Tr}\{\bar{\Psi}_I^{-1} \bar{\Psi}_I \bar{\Psi}_I^{-1} D_{x(k)} \bar{\Psi}_I D_{x(i)}^H\} \\ \eta_{x(i),x(k)} = \pi_n A(u_1, v_1)^H R_I^+ A_I D_{x(i)} \bar{\Psi}_I D_{x(k)}^H \\ \quad \times A_I^H R_I^+ A(u_1, v_1) \\ \rho_{x(i),x(k)} = \pi_n^2 A(u_1, v_1)^H R_I^+ \tilde{B}_{x(i)}^H \tilde{B}_{x(k)} R_I^+ A(u_1, v_1) \end{array} \right. \quad (C.7)$$

for $i, k = 1, 2$, respectively.

Next, let the positive definite matrix $\bar{\Psi}_I$ be expressed as $\bar{\Psi}_I = \tilde{a} \bar{\Psi}_0$ for some positive number \tilde{a} and positive definite matrix $\bar{\Psi}_0$. Then it can be easily shown from (B.7) that R_I^+ is

proportional to \tilde{a}^{-1} . From (C.2) to (C.7), it can also be shown that each of the following terms:

$$\begin{aligned} & E\{\Delta p_{i,b}\}/p_n, \quad E\{\Delta p_{i,c}\}/p_n, \quad E\{\Delta p_{n,1a}\}/p_n, \\ & E\{\Delta p_{n,2a}\}/p_n, \quad \text{and} \quad E\{\Delta p_{s,3a}\}/p_s \end{aligned} \quad (C.8)$$

is proportional to \tilde{a}^{-1} and each of the following terms:

$$\begin{aligned} & E\{\Delta p_{n,1b}\}/p_n, \quad E\{\Delta p_{n,1c}\}/p_n, \quad E\{\Delta p_{n,2b}\}/p_n \\ & E\{\Delta p_{n,2c}\}/p_n, \quad E\{\Delta p_{s,1a}\}/p_s \\ & E\{\Delta p_{s,1b}\}/p_s, \quad E\{\Delta p_{s,3b}\}/p_s, \quad \text{and} \quad E\{\Delta p_{s,3c}\}/p_s \end{aligned} \quad (C.9)$$

is proportional to \tilde{a}^{-2} , while only the term $E\{\Delta p_{i,a}\}/p_n$ is fixed and independent of \tilde{a} . To get a further simplification, consider the case that \tilde{a} is large enough, i.e., the input INR is high enough so that these terms in (C.8) and (C.9) are negligible as compared to $E\{\Delta p_{i,a}\}/p_n$. Then, we have the result as shown by (B-18).

APPENDIX D

By using the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality that

$$|\text{Tr}\{Q_1 Q_2^H\}|^2 \leq \text{Tr}\{Q_1 Q_1^H\} \text{Tr}\{Q_2 Q_2^H\} \quad (D.1)$$

where Q_1 and Q_2 are matrices with appropriate sizes, it follows from (31) and (32) that

$$\begin{cases} |\omega_{c,r}|^2 = |\omega_{r,c}|^2 \leq \omega_{c,c} \omega_{r,r} \\ |\xi_{c,r}|^2 = |\xi_{r,c}|^2 \leq \xi_{c,c} \xi_{r,r}. \end{cases} \quad (D.2)$$

Based on (30) and (D.2), it can be shown that

$$FSP \leq \left[\left(\xi_{r,r} \frac{\omega_{r,r}}{\omega} \right)^{1/2} + \left(\xi_{c,c} \frac{\omega_{c,c}}{\omega} \right)^{1/2} \right]^2. \quad (D.3)$$

Substituting (31) into (D.3), we obtain

$$FSP \leq \left[(\xi_{r,r} \lambda_{\max}\{\tilde{B}_r^H \tilde{B}_r\})^{1/2} + (\xi_{c,c} \lambda_{\max}\{\tilde{B}_c^H \tilde{B}_c\})^{1/2} \right]^2 \quad (D.4)$$

where $\lambda_{\max}\{Q\}$ denotes the maximal eigenvalue of Q . Furthermore, based on (A.11) and the property of Kronecker product [7]

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{KP.4} \rangle \quad & \det\{Q_1 - q_1 I\} = 0, \quad \det\{Q_2 - q_2 I\} = 0, \\ \Rightarrow \det\{Q_1 \otimes Q_2 - q_1 q_2 I\} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $\det\{Q\}$ denotes the determinant of the matrix Q , it can be shown that

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_{\max}\{\tilde{B}_c^H \tilde{B}_c\} = \lambda_{\max}\{B_c^H B_c\} < \sigma_c^2 \\ \lambda_{\max}\{\tilde{B}_r^H \tilde{B}_r\} = \lambda_{\max}\{B_r^H B_r\} < \sigma_r^2. \end{cases} \quad (D.5)$$

Therefore, we have

$$FSP < (\xi_{c,c}^{1/2} \sigma_c + \xi_{r,r}^{1/2} \sigma_r)^2. \quad (D.6)$$

If the interferers are uncorrelated, (33) reveals that both $\xi_{c,c}$ and $\xi_{r,r}$ are not greater than $\sum_{i=2}^P (|d_{c,i}|^2 + |d_{r,i}|^2)^{-1}$. Thus, the inequality in (D.6) becomes

$$FSP < \sum_{i=2}^P (|d_{c,i}|^2 + |d_{r,i}|^2)^{-1} (\sigma_c + \sigma_r)^2. \quad (D.7)$$

From (6), it can be shown that $|d_{c,i}|^2 > 1$ if $|u_i - u_1| > 1/3$. Similarly, we have $|d_{r,i}|^2 > 1$ if $|v_i - v_1| > 1/3$. Thus, if $|u_i - u_1| > 1/3$ or $|v_i - v_1| > 1/3$, we have $|d_{c,i}|^2 + |d_{r,i}|^2 > 1$ for $i = 2, 3, \dots, P$. Hence, (D.7) reduces to

$$FSP < (P - 1)(\sigma_c + \sigma_r)^2. \quad (\text{D.8})$$

Finally, substituting (D.8) into (29) yields the result shown by (34).

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