### Passive approximation and optimization

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## A brief summary on convex optimization

Main ref: S. Boyd and L. Vandenberghe. Convex Optimization. Cambridge University Press, 2004.

Convex sets: A set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is *convex* if

$$\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in S \Rightarrow (1-t)\mathbf{x}_1 + t\mathbf{x}_2 \in S,$$

for all 0 < t < 1. Geometrically this means that the straight line between any two points in a convex set remains in the set.



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**Convex combinations:** Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an arbitrary set. A *convex combination* of the elements  $\mathbf{x}_i \in S$  is a positive linear combination

$$\mathbf{z} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} t_i \mathbf{x}_i$$
 where  $t_i \ge 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^{m} t_i = 1$ .

If S is a convex set, it can be shown (by induction) that any convex combination of elements of S belongs to S.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  belong to the convex set S. Let

$$\mathbf{z} = t_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + t_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + t_3 \mathbf{x}_3,$$

where  $t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = 1$  and  $t_3 \neq 1$  (otherwise  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x}_3 \in S$ ). Then

$$\mathbf{z} = (1 - t_3) \underbrace{\left(\frac{t_1}{1 - t_3}\mathbf{x}_1 + \frac{t_2}{1 - t_3}\mathbf{x}_2\right)}_{\in S \text{ since } \frac{t_1}{1 - t_3} + \frac{t_2}{1 - t_3}} + t_3 \mathbf{x}_3 \in S.$$

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Intersection of convex sets(\*):

The intersection  $\cap_{\alpha} S_{\alpha}$  of convex sets  $S_{\alpha}$  is a convex set.

#### Convex hull(\*):

Let  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be an arbitrary set. The *convex hull*  $\operatorname{conv}(S)$  of S is the set of all convex combinations of elements in S. It can be shown that  $\operatorname{conv}(S)$  is the smallest convex set containing S, *i.e.*,

$$\operatorname{conv}(S) = \cap_{\alpha} T_{\alpha}$$

where the intersection is taken over all convex sets  $T_\alpha$  containing S, i.e.,  $S \subset T_\alpha.$ 

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**Convex functions:** Let f be a function defined on the convex set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . The function f is said to be a *convex function* if

$$\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in S \Rightarrow f((1-t)\mathbf{x}_1 + t\mathbf{x}_2) \le (1-t)f(\mathbf{x}_1) + tf(\mathbf{x}_2), \quad (1)$$

for all 0 < t < 1. If the function f satisfies a strict inequality in (1), it is said to be a *strictly convex function*. A function f is said to be *concave* if -f is convex.



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#### Linear functions(\*):

A linear (or affine) function f is both convex and concave (but it is not strictly convex). In particular, if f is linear (or affine), both f and -f are convex.

#### Positive linear combinations of convex functions(\*):

Let  $f_1 \mbox{ and } f_2$  be convex functions defined on a convex set S. Then the positive linear combination

$$f = \alpha_1 f_1 + \alpha_2 f_2$$

(with  $\alpha_1 > 0$  and  $\alpha_2 > 0$ ) is a convex function. If any one of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  is strictly convex, then the function f is strictly convex.

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#### Differentiable convex functions(\*\*):

Let f be a two times differentiable continuous function defined on the open convex set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  ( $f \in C^2(S)$ ). It can then be shown that f is a convex function if and only if the Hessian  $\mathbf{H}_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = \partial_{x_i} \partial_{x_j} f(\mathbf{x})$  is a positively semidefinite matrix for all  $\mathbf{x} \in S$ , *i.e.*,

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0 \ \forall \mathbf{x} \in S \Leftrightarrow f \text{ convex}.$$

If the Hessian  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})$  is positively definite for all  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  then f is strictly convex, *i.e.*,

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) > 0 \ \forall \mathbf{x} \in S \Rightarrow f \text{ strictly convex},$$

but the converse is not true (take e.g.,  $f(x) = x^4$ ).

Quadratic forms(\*\*):

Let

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x} + c$$

be a quadratic form where **A** is an  $n \times n$  matrix, **x** and **b** are  $n \times 1$  vectors, c a constant and  $(\cdot)^{\mathrm{T}}$  denotes the transpose. The function f is convex if and only if the Hessian matrix **A** is positively semidefinite, *i.e.*,

 $\mathbf{A} \ge 0 \Leftrightarrow f$  convex.

The function f is strictly convex if and only if the Hessian matrix **A** is positively definite, *i.e.*,

$$\mathbf{A} > 0 \Leftrightarrow f$$
 strictly convex.

#### Level set(\*):

Let g be a convex function defined on the convex set  $S\subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\alpha$  an arbitrary real number. Then the level set

$$S_{\alpha} = \{ \mathbf{x} \in S | g(\mathbf{x}) \le \alpha \}$$

is a convex set.

#### Continuity(\*\*):

Let f be a convex function defined on the convex set  $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . Then f is a continuous function on the interior of S.

#### Convex optimization:

A convex optimization problem in general is a problem of the form

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{subject to} & \mathbf{x} \in S, \end{array} \tag{2}$$

where f is a convex function defined on the convex set S.

It is common that the convex set  $\boldsymbol{S}$  is given in the form

$$S = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n | g_i(\mathbf{x}) \le 0 \}$$

where  $\{g_i(\mathbf{x})\}_{i=1}^M$  is a set of convex functions representing the convex constraints.

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#### A local minimum is also a global minimum:

Below are given some definitions and a proof.

Consider the convex optimization problem (2) where f is a convex function defined on the convex set S.

- If  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  it is called a *feasible point*.
- The function f has a global minimum at  $\mathbf{x}$  if

 $f(\mathbf{x}) \le f(\boldsymbol{\xi}), \quad \forall \boldsymbol{\xi} \in S$ 

▶ The function *f* has a *local minimum* at **x** if

$$f(\mathbf{x}) \le f(\boldsymbol{\xi}), \quad \forall \boldsymbol{\xi} \in S_r = \{ \boldsymbol{\xi} \in S | \| \boldsymbol{\xi} - \mathbf{x} \| < r \}$$

for some  $r\text{-neighbourhood }S_r$  with radius r>0, and where  $\|\cdot\|$  is a suitable norm.

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**Proof:** Let  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  be a local minimum and  $S_r$  a corresponding r-neighbourhood. Suppose now that  $\mathbf{x}$  is not a global minimum, then there is a feasible  $\mathbf{y} \in S$  with minimum value  $f(\mathbf{y}) < f(\mathbf{x})$ . Since  $\mathbf{x}$  is a local minimum it follows that  $\mathbf{y} \notin S_r$  and hence  $\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\| \ge r$ . Define the point

$$\mathbf{z} = (1-t)\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}$$
 where  $t = \frac{r}{2\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\|} \le \frac{1}{2}$ ,

so that

$$\|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{x}\| = t\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\| = \frac{r}{2},$$

and hence  $\mathbf{z} \in S_r.$  On the other hand, it follows by the convexity of f that

$$f(\mathbf{z}) = f((1-t)\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}) \le (1-t)f(\mathbf{x}) + tf(\mathbf{y}) < f(\mathbf{x}),$$

#### which contradicts the assumption that ${\bf x}$ is a local minimum.

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# If f is strictly convex then a minimum is also a unique minimum:

**Proof:** Let  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  be a minimum so that  $f(\mathbf{x}) \leq f(\boldsymbol{\xi})$  for all  $\boldsymbol{\xi} \in S$ . Suppose that  $\mathbf{y} \in S$  where  $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{x}$  is also a minimum so that  $f(\mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x})$ . Let  $\mathbf{z} = (1 - t)\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}$  where 0 < t < 1 and hence  $\mathbf{z} \in S$ . Then by the strict convexity

$$f(\mathbf{z}) = f((1-t)\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{y}) < (1-t)f(\mathbf{x}) + tf(\mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}),$$

which contradicts the assumption that  $\mathbf{x}$  is a minimum.

#### The norm:

Any norm  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|$  is a convex function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  since by the triangle inequality

$$f((1-t)\mathbf{x}_1 + t\mathbf{x}_2) = \|(1-t)\mathbf{x}_1 + t\mathbf{x}_2\| \le (1-t)\|\mathbf{x}_1\| + t\|\mathbf{x}_2\|$$
  
=  $(1-t)f(\mathbf{x}_1) + tf(\mathbf{x}_2),$ 

where 0 < t < 1.

Comments: It follows from the properties of the norm that the minimum of  $f(\mathbf{x}) = ||\mathbf{x}||$  is the unique vector  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ . Note however that  $f(\mathbf{x}) = ||\mathbf{x}||$  is not a strictly convex function. To see this, choose *e.g.*,  $\mathbf{x}_2 = \alpha \mathbf{x}_1$  where  $\alpha > 1$  and verify that  $f((1-t)\mathbf{x}_1 + t\mathbf{x}_2) = (1-t)f(\mathbf{x}_1) + tf(\mathbf{x}_2)$  for all 0 < t < 1. Note however that the function  $f(\mathbf{x}) = ||\mathbf{x}||_2^2 = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$  is strictly convex.

#### Norm of a linear (or affine) form:

The norm of a linear (or affine) form is a convex function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Consider *e.g.*, the function  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|$  where  $\mathbf{A}$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix,  $\mathbf{x}$  an  $n \times 1$  vector and  $\mathbf{b}$  an  $m \times 1$  vector. The function  $f(\mathbf{x})$  is convex since by the triangle inequality

$$f((1-t)\mathbf{x}_1 + t\mathbf{x}_2) = \|\mathbf{A}((1-t)\mathbf{x}_1 + t\mathbf{x}_2) - \mathbf{b}\|$$
  
=  $\|(1-t)(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_1 - b) + t(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{b})\| \le (1-t)\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{b}\| + t\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{b}\|$   
=  $(1-t)f(\mathbf{x}_1) + tf(\mathbf{x}_2),$ 

where 0 < t < 1.

#### Norm of a linear (or affine) form:

**Comments:** Note that if the Euclidean norm  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is used, if m > n and if the rank of the matrix **A** is rank{**A**} = n, then the minimum of f (the least squares solution) is unique (even though the function f is not strictly convex).

It is evident that the well-posedness of the minimization of  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|$  depends on the properties of the matrix (or operator)  $\mathbf{A}$ . If the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is not full rank and has a non-trivial null space, then the optimization problem can be regularized by adding a strictly convex penalty term as *e.g.*,  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2 + \alpha \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$  where  $\alpha > 0$  (*cf.*, Tikhonov regularization). Now the new function *f* is strictly convex, and if  $\alpha$  is sufficiently small the optimal solution will coincide with the pseudo-inverse.

#### Disciplined convex programming in Matlab:

As an example, consider the following convex optimization problem related to the normed error

minimize 
$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_p$$
  
subject to  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{c}$  (3)  
 $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{d},$ 

where the  $n \times 1$  vector  $\mathbf{x}$  is the unknown optimization variable and  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  are given matrices and  $\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{c}$  and  $\mathbf{d}$  are given vectors of suitable dimensions. Here,  $\|\cdot\|_p$  denotes that a *p*-norm is used where  $p \ge 1$ . The max-norm is denoted  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ .

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#### Disciplined convex programming in Matlab:

Once formulated on a standard form the problem (3) can be solved efficiently by using the CVX Matlab software for disciplined convex programming which is available via the link http://cvxr.com/cvx/. Here, the following lines in Matlab may be used

cvx\_begin

variable x(n)
minimize(norm(A \* x - b, p))
subject to
B \* x <= c
C \* x == d</pre>

cvx\_end

where n, p (p  $\geq 1$  or p = Inf), A, B, C, b, c and d have been defined in the preamble.

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#### Analytic functions with the property

$$\operatorname{Im} h(\omega) \geq 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \omega \in \mathbb{C}_+ = \{ \omega \in \mathbb{C} | \operatorname{Im} \omega > 0 \}$$

Integral representation

$$h(\omega) = b_1 \omega + \alpha + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\xi - \omega} - \frac{\xi}{1 + \xi^2}\right) d\beta(\xi)$$

Here,  $b_1 \geq 0$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ 

 $d\beta(\xi)$  is a positive Borel measure with  $\int_{\mathbb{R}}d\beta(\xi)/(1+\xi^2)<\infty$ 

Notation: 
$$d\beta(\xi) = \beta'(\xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} h(\xi + i0) d\xi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} h(\xi) d\xi$$

# Symmetric Herglotz functions

Conjugate symmetry and symmetric measure

$$h(\omega) = -h^*(-\omega^*) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Im} h(-\xi) = \operatorname{Im} h(\xi) \\ &\operatorname{Re} h(-\xi) = -\operatorname{Re} h(\xi) \end{aligned}$$

Integral representation for  $\omega \in \mathbb{C}_+$ 

$$h(\omega) = b_1 \omega + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\xi - \omega} \operatorname{Im} h(\xi) \, \mathrm{d}\xi$$

Distributional limit on the real line  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ 

$$\frac{1}{\xi - \omega} \to \frac{1}{\xi - \omega} + i\pi\delta(\xi - \omega) \quad \text{as} \quad \text{Im}\,\omega \to 0 +$$
$$\text{Re}\,h(\omega) = b_1\omega + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\xi - \omega} \,\text{Im}\,h(\xi)\,\mathrm{d}\xi$$

where the integral is a Cauchy principal value integral

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#### Suppose that the following asymptotic properties are valid

$$h(\omega) = \begin{cases} a_{-1}\omega^{-1} + a_{1}\omega + \dots + a_{2N_{0}-1}\omega^{2N_{0}-1} + o(\omega^{2N_{0}-1}) & \text{as } \omega \hat{\to} 0\\ b_{1}\omega + b_{-1}\omega^{-1} + \dots + b_{1-2N_{\infty}}\omega^{1-2N_{\infty}} + o(\omega^{1-2N_{\infty}}) & \text{as } \omega \hat{\to} \infty \end{cases}$$

then the following integral identities (sum rules) hold

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_{0+}^{\infty} \frac{\operatorname{Im} h(\xi)}{\xi^{2n}} \, \mathrm{d}\xi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0+} \lim_{y \to 0+} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\varepsilon}^{1/\varepsilon} \frac{\operatorname{Im} h(\xi + \mathrm{i}y)}{\xi^{2n}} \, \mathrm{d}\xi = a_{2n-1} - b_{2n-1}$$
  
for  $n = 1 - N_{\infty}, \dots, N_0$ 

minimize  $\|h(\xi) - f(\xi)\|_{\Omega}$ subject to  $f(\xi)$  continuous on  $\Omega$  $h(\xi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} h(\xi + i0) \exists$  continuous on  $\Omega$ 

Approximation domain  $\Omega$  is a closed and bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  $h(\omega)$  is a symmetric Herglotz function regular in a neighbourhood of  $\mathbb{C}^+ \cup \Omega$ 

#### A non-trivial example

 $-f(\xi)$  can be continued to a Herglotz function  $h_0(\omega)$  which is analytic in a neighbourhood of  $\mathbb{C}^+\cup\Omega$ 

Large argument asymptotics:  $h_0(\omega) = b_1^0 \omega + o(\omega)$  as  $\omega \hat{\to} \infty$ Then  $\sup_{\xi \in \Omega} |h(\xi) - f(\xi)| \ge b_1^0 \frac{1}{2} |\Omega|$ 

[1] M. Gustafsson and D. Sjöberg. Sum rules and physical bounds on passive metamaterials. New Journal of Physics, 12, 043046, 2010.

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# Derivation of sum rule and non-trivial bound

Following [1] above, employ the auxiliary Herglotz function

$$h_{\Delta}(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\Delta}^{\Delta} \frac{1}{\xi - z} \,\mathrm{d}\xi = \frac{1}{\pi} \ln \frac{z - \Delta}{z + \Delta} = \begin{cases} \mathrm{i} + o(1) & \mathrm{as} \ z \hat{\to} 0\\ \frac{-2\Delta}{\pi z} + o(z^{-1}) & \mathrm{as} \ z \hat{\to} \infty \end{cases}$$

where  $\operatorname{Im} h_{\Delta}(z) \geq \frac{1}{2}$  for  $|z| \leq \Delta$  and  $\operatorname{Im} z \geq 0$ 

Composite Herglotz function  $\tilde{h}(\omega) = h_{\Delta}(h(\omega) + h_0(\omega))$ where  $h(\omega) + h_0(\omega) = (b_1 + b_1^0)\omega + o(\omega)$  as  $\omega \hat{\rightarrow} \infty$ 

$$\widetilde{h}(\omega) = \begin{cases} o(\omega^{-1}) & \text{as } \omega \widehat{\rightarrow} 0\\ \frac{-2\Delta}{\pi(b_1 + b_1^0)} \omega^{-1} + o(\omega^{-1}) & \text{as } \omega \widehat{\rightarrow} \infty \end{cases}$$

Sum rule for n = 0 $\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \operatorname{Im} \widetilde{h}(\xi) \, \mathrm{d}\xi = a_{-1} - b_{-1} = \frac{2\Delta}{\pi(b_1 + b_1^0)}$ 

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or

$$\sup_{\xi \in \Omega} |h(\xi) + h_0(\xi)| \ge (b_1 + b_1^0) \frac{1}{2} |\Omega| \quad \text{where} \quad |\Omega| = \int_{\Omega} \mathrm{d}\xi$$

Permittivity functions: If  $h(\omega) = \omega \epsilon(\omega)$  and  $h_0(\omega) = -f(\omega) = -\omega \epsilon_t$ with  $\epsilon_t < 0$ , then  $b_1 = \epsilon_\infty$  and  $b_1^0 = -\epsilon_t$  and

$$\sup_{\xi \in \Omega} |\epsilon(\xi) - \epsilon_{t}| \ge \frac{(\epsilon_{\infty} - \epsilon_{t})\frac{1}{2}B}{1 + \frac{B}{2}}$$

where  $\Omega = \omega_0 [1 - \frac{B}{2}, 1 + \frac{B}{2}]$  and where  $\omega_0$  is the center frequency and 0 < B < 2, see also [1].

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### Discretization

Discretization of positive measure on  $\Omega_1=[\omega_1,\omega_4]$  ,  $\Delta\omega=\frac{\omega_4-\omega_1}{N-1}$ 

 $\operatorname{Im} h(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n \left[ p(\omega - (n+n_1)\Delta\omega) + p(\omega + (n+n_1)\Delta\omega) \right], \quad x_n \ge 0$ 

**Triangular basis functions** 

$$p(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{|\omega|}{\Delta \omega} & |\omega| \le \Delta \omega \\ 0 & |\omega| > \Delta \omega \end{cases}$$

Hilbert transform on approximation domain  $\Omega = [\omega_2, \omega_3] \subset \Omega_1$ 

$$\operatorname{Re} h(\omega) = b_1 \omega + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n \left[ \hat{p}(\omega - (n+n_1)\Delta\omega) + \hat{p}(\omega + (n+n_1)\Delta\omega) \right]$$

$$\hat{p}(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\xi - \omega} p(\xi) \,\mathrm{d}\xi$$
$$= (2\omega \ln |\omega| - (\omega - \Delta\omega) \ln |\omega - \Delta\omega| - (\omega + \Delta\omega) \ln |\omega + \Delta\omega|) / (\pi \Delta\omega)$$

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#### Approximation problem

minimize  $\|h(\xi) - f(\xi)\|_{\Omega}$ subject to  $f(\xi)$  continuous on  $\Omega$  $h(\xi) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} h(\xi + i0) \exists$  continuous on  $\Omega$ 

#### Disciplined convex programming in MATLAB [2]

 $\begin{array}{l} \texttt{A}=\texttt{H}+\texttt{li}*\texttt{I}\\ \texttt{cvx\_begin}\\ & \texttt{variable } \texttt{x}(\texttt{N})\\ & \texttt{minimize}(\texttt{norm}(\texttt{A}*\texttt{x}-\texttt{f},\texttt{Inf}))\\ & \texttt{subject to}\\ & \texttt{x} >= \texttt{0} \end{array}$ 

cvx\_end

[2] M. Grant and S. Boyd. CVX: A system for disciplined convex programming, release 2.0, ©2012 CVX Research, Inc., Austin, TX.

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# Approximation of $tan(\omega)$



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Approximation of  $tan(-1/\omega)$ 





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# Approximation of metamaterial

Herglotz function  $h(\omega) = \omega \epsilon(\omega)$  with  $\epsilon_{\infty} = 1$  (and  $\epsilon_{\rm s} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \epsilon(0)$ ) Metamaterial  $f(\omega) = \omega \epsilon_{\rm t}$  for  $\omega \in \Omega$  and where  $\epsilon_{\rm t} = -1$ 

Convex optimization problem

minimize 
$$\sup_{\xi \in \Omega} \frac{1}{\xi} |h(\xi) - f(\xi)|$$
  
subject to 
$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\operatorname{Im} h(\xi)}{\xi^2} \, \mathrm{d}\xi \le \epsilon_{\mathrm{s}}^{\max} - \epsilon_{\infty}$$

#### Discretization of sum rule

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{\operatorname{Im} h(\xi)}{\xi^2} \, \mathrm{d}\xi = \frac{2}{\pi \Delta \omega} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x_n \ln \frac{(n+n_1)^2}{(n+n_1-1)(n+n_1+1)}$$
assuming that  $n_1 > 1$  where  $\omega_1 = n_1 \Delta \omega \, \left( \operatorname{Im} h(\xi) = o(\xi) \right)$ 

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# Approximation of metamaterial

#### Disciplined convex programming in MATLAB [2]

```
Omega;
A = H + 1i * I;
B;
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% Approximation domain

- % Representation of Herglotz function
- % Representation of sum rule
- b = epss epsinf;

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\% Static and optical responses
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```
cvx_begin variable x(N) minimize(norm((epsinf * Omega + A * x - f)./Omega, Inf)) subject to x >= 0 
 B * x <= b
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```
cvx_end
```

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# Approximation of metamaterial

Herglotz function  $h(\omega) = \omega \epsilon(\omega)$  with  $\epsilon_{\infty} = 1$ 

Metamaterial  $f(\omega)=\omega\epsilon_{\rm t}$  for  $\omega\in\Omega$  and where  $\epsilon_{\rm t}=-1$ 



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# Approximation of metamaterial with static permittivity

Herglotz function  $h(\omega)=\omega\epsilon(\omega)$  with  $\epsilon_\infty=1$  and  $\epsilon_{\rm s}^{\rm max}=5$ 

Metamaterial 
$$f(\omega) = \omega \epsilon_t$$
 for  $\omega \in \Omega$  and where  $\epsilon_t = -1$ 



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- A general approximation problem has been formulated based on the class of symmetric Herglotz functions.
- The approximation problem can be discretized and solved by using a disciplined convex programming in MATLAB which facilitates a straightforward addition of auxiliary convex constraints.
- Future work aims at
  - ♦ Rigorous mathematical formulation and proof of convergence
  - Further applications of dispersion analysis and optimization of passive materials and structures
  - Optimization of matrix valued Herglotz functions for complex materials