# Cooperative Estimation of Power and Direction of Transmission for a Directive Source

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Abstract—Reliable spectrum cartography of directive sources depends on an accurate estimation of the direction of transmission (DoT) as well as the transmission power. Joint estimation of power and DoT of a directive source using ML sestimation techniques is considered in this paper. We further analyze the parametric identifiability conditions of the problem, develop the estimation algorithm, and derive the Cramer–Rao-Bound for the two situations: 1) where the source signal is known to the sensors and 2) where the sensors are not aware of the source signal but its distribution. Particularly, we devise a specific sensor placement/selection setup for the symmetric antenna patterned sources which leads to identifiability of the problem. Finally, numerical results verifies the efficiency and accuracy of the provided estimation algorithms in this paper.

*Index Terms*—Cooperative estimation, direction of trans mission (DoT), power estimation, directive source, spectrum
 cartography, cognitive radio.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

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ATABASE assisted dynamic resource allocation is 19 generally considered as a technique to enable network 20 <sup>21</sup> level deployment of cognitive radios [1]–[3]. Such a database 22 ideally should include all the required information of the 23 incumbent network (e.g., power, location, radiation pattern, 24 bandwidth, direction of transmission, etc.) for the cognitive 25 system intending to share the same spectrum as incumbent sers, to be able to adapt its transmission parameters to the 26 U 27 environment, without hindering operation of incumbent users. 28 Most of the databases are obtained by collecting informa-29 tion from the regulatory bodies. However, such information 30 are either not complete, or becomes outdated after a short 31 time. This calls for a dynamic technique in order to complete <sup>32</sup> the information of databases, update the existing information, 33 or even produce a database where such information can not

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be obtained from regulatory bodies. Spectrum cartography or 34 radio environment mapping is proposed as an efficient tech- 35 nique to produce the dynamic database of the incumbent or 36 primary users, [4]-[8]. However, spectrum cartography can 37 have plethora of other applications, e.g., network monitor- 38 ing, malicious user detection, interference monitoring, and 39 etc. The cornerstone of any spectrum cartography technique 40 is a collaboration of sensors to estimate source parameters, 41 e.g., location and power [9]–[15]. Bazerque and Giannakis [9] 42 employ sparse signal processing techniques to localize and 43 estimate the power of multiple incumbent transmitters. In [10], 44 quantized measurements are used to reduce the communica-45 tions overhead and overcome the hardware complexities. And, 46 location of incumbent users are determined in [11] assum-47 ing a fading channel model. Most of these works provide 48 efficient tools for spectrum cartography of omni-directional 49 sources which can be a valid assumption for lower parts of the 50 frequency spectrum. However, considering the highly directive 51 nature of wireless communications in higher parts of spectrum 52 (e.g., Ka band, mmWave, etc. [16]), estimation of direction 53 of transmission (DoT) becomes an essential component of 54 spectrum cartography in order to obtain accurate results. For 55 example, terrestrial microwave links in Ka band often used for 56 mobile backhauling are highly directive, and thus for the cog-57 nitive systems such as fixed satellite services to coexist with the terrestrial links, it is important to know in which directions, 59 the terrestrial links are operating [3], [16]. The same holds 60 when a new terrestrial system intends to reuse the frequency 61 of currently in use microwave links, e.g., for smart backhaul-62 ing [17]. In such cases, the cognitive system needs to have 63 a good estimate of the amount of power in a specific place 64 in order to operate properly, and determine its transmission 65 parameters such as carrier, power, etc., [3]. Even if the cog-66 nitive system is aware of all the underlying parameters, e.g., 67 source power, location, etc., but still the knowledge of DoT 68 is essential. Otherwise, the cognitive system is not able to obtain an accurate estimate of the power distribution in the 70 environment, and either may hinder the operation of incum-71 bent users or adapt transmission parameters which are not 72 efficient. 73

There are few works which touch the problem of DoT 74 estimation for spectrum cartography. An extensive set of mea-75 surements over different distances and positions is collected 76 in [12] in order to estimate the DoT. Martin and Thomas [13] 77 propose exhaustive search over multiple dimensions and large 78 number of sensors to estimate the DoT. Further, the developed 79

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<sup>80</sup> techniques only consider the case with Gaussian shaped <sup>81</sup> antenna radiation patterns. In [18], we developed a joint power <sup>82</sup> and DoT estimation for a directive source, considering the <sup>83</sup> source signal to be known to the sensors. The developed <sup>84</sup> algorithm of [18] can be applied to any antenna radiation <sup>85</sup> pattern with a single main lobe. However, in most cases <sup>86</sup> the source signal is not known, and further the algorithm <sup>87</sup> of [18] incurs a high complexity in terms of synchroniza-<sup>88</sup> tion between the sensors and the source, and among the <sup>89</sup> sensors.

Including and in addition to the known signal model in [18], here, the joint estimation of power and DoT is also investigated by considering the source signal to be unknown but random with a known distribution. A number of sensors collect observations, and transmit their observations to a fusion center (FC). Unlike the setup in [18], the sensors are not synchronized in sampling. The FC is responsible to infer the received data and globally estimate the power and DoT.

<sup>98</sup> Specifically, our main contributions in this paper are as <sup>99</sup> follows:

• First we formulate and develop the required maximum 100 likelihood (ML) estimation algorithms for the joint power 101 and DoT estimation of a single directive source with a 102 general single main lobe radiation pattern. On top of 103 the known signal model considered in [18], we con-104 sider a scenario where the exact source signals are not 105 known, but are i.i.d. randomly distributed modeled by 106 a zero-mean Gaussian distribution. It is shown that for 107 both known and unknown signal models, both power 108 and DoT can be determined by a bounded line-search 109 over DoT. 110

• In addition to the algorithmic developments, we investigate the identifiability of the underlying parameter model irrespective of a specific signal model. We find a set of sufficient conditions for the identifiability. And particularly, we devise a specific sensor selection/placement setup which makes the model parameter identifiable for the symmetric antenna patterned sources.

• We derive the Cramer-Rao-Bound (CRB) of the underlying algorithms for both known and unknown signal models as the performance bounds. Further, we prove that the developed algorithms are unbiased and consistent, and thus converge to the true values of power and DoT for large number of samples.

• Finally, we provide a set of numerical results which verifies the efficiency of the developed algorithms, and the propositions of the paper.

The remainder of the paper is organized as follows. 127 <sup>128</sup> Following the introduction of the signal model, the underlying arameter identifiability conditions of the model are derived p 129 Section II. Afterward, we develop the estimation algorithms 130 in 131 by employing ML estimation techniques for both known and <sup>132</sup> unknown signal models, in Sections III and IV. Furthermore, achieve a theoretical benchmark for performance compari-133 to <sup>134</sup> son, we derive the Cramer-Rao-Bound (CRB) in these section. As shall be shown in Section V, where a set of simulations 136 results are depicted, the developed algorithm performs close to <sup>137</sup> the CRB. And finally, we draw our conclusions in Section VI.



Fig. 1. A parabolic antenna with its radiation pattern as an example of a directive source.



Fig. 2. Schematic plan of the considered model for the source and the sensors.

#### II. SYSTEM MODEL AND PROBLEM STATEMENT

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We consider a source which employs a directive antenna 139 with a known radiation pattern, and a single main lobe (e.g., 140 the parabolic antenna in Fig. 1). The transmission occurs 141 in a deterministic but unknown direction. The direction of 142 transmission (DoT) is denoted by angle  $\phi$  towards a specific 143 reference line and represents the direction of the main lobe. 144 We denote  $P_s$  as the source transmission power, and M > 1 145 as the number of sensors which are located at different angles 146 towards the reference line denoted by  $\theta_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, M$ . We 147 assume the sensors employ omni-directional antennas for sig- 148 nal reception. A schematic plan for the considered model of 149 the source and the sensors is depicted in Fig. 2. We assume the 150 observations are then sent sequentially (and orthogonally) to 151 the FC for global data fusion (however, as shall be shown later, 152 this can be simplified significantly by some pre-processing at 153 the sensor level, and transmitting, e.g., the energy of samples 154 instead of each sample individually). We consider a scenario 155 where the FC is aware of the sensors locations as well as the 156 location of the source (and thus the angles  $\theta_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, M$ ). <sup>157</sup> In this paper, we consider a 2 dimensional (2D) location and 158 radiation pattern model, nevertheless the extension to the 3D 159 model is straightforward. The location information can be 160 obtained either through a database or estimated using localization techniques, e.g., [22]-[24], a priori. However, the FC is 162 not aware of the transmission power  $P_s$  and DoT  $\phi$ . The goal 163 of the FC is to jointly estimate  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  based on sensors' 164 observations. Further, we assume that the location of sensors 165 and the source are fixed during the estimation period. 166

<sup>167</sup> Denoting  $x_i[n]$ , i = 1, ..., M to be the received signal at <sup>168</sup> time *n* and sensor *i*, following an additive-white-Gaussian-<sup>169</sup> noise (AWGN) channel model, we have

$$x_i[n] = \sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) s_i[n]} + w_i[n], \tag{1}$$

171 where

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•  $G(\phi, \theta_i)$  is the antenna gain in the direction of sensor *i* known a-priori,

- $d_i$  is the distance between the source and the *i*-th sensor, and  $h(d_i)$  is the path-loss,
- $s_i[n]$  is the source signal received at sensor *i* at its *n*-th sampling instance,
- and  $w_i[n]$  is the i.i.d. additive-white-Gaussian-noise (AWGN) with zero-mean and variance  $\sigma_w^2$ .

180 The path-loss is obtained by  $h(d_i) = (4\pi d_i/\lambda)^{-\gamma}, d_i \neq 0$ , where  $\lambda$  is the source signal wavelength, and  $\gamma$  is the path-181 182 loss exponent. Note, this channel model does not represent the instantaneous channel variations in wireless communications, 183 184 but provides a good approximation of the large-scale atten-185 uation. For the sake of simplicity, we consider real-valued 186 signals,  $s_i[n]$ ,  $n = 1, \ldots, N$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, M$ , however as the 187 channel gains  $h(d_i), i = 1, \dots, M$  are real, extension of the 188 developed techniques in this paper to the case of complex signals is straightforward. The signal  $s_i[n]$  is usually unknown, 189 therefore, one way of modeling  $s_i[n]$  is to model it as a random 190 variable following a zero mean i.i.d. Gaussian distribution with 191 variance  $\sigma_s^2$ . In this case, we further consider a case where the 192 <sup>193</sup> sensors observation sampling is asynchronous, which explains <sup>194</sup> the subscript *i*, and this way considering enough separa-195 tion between the sensors, the sensors observations become 196 independent from each other. However, in case the sensors <sup>197</sup> are synchronous in sampling, i.e., receiving the same signals <sup>198</sup> from the source, the observations become correlated and this <sup>199</sup> needs to be taken into account in designing the algorithms. 200 Nevertheless, in some cases, the sensors may have knowledge 201 about specific part of the transmitted signal, e.g., the training sequence of the communications system. In such a case, s[n]202 known and thus can be modeled by a deterministic signal. 203 İS Here, sensors need to synchronize with the source, and fur-204 ther  $s_i[n] = s[n], i = 1, ..., M$ . As in the previous model, for 205 known signal model, the sensors observations are independent. 206 Considering these two possible models for  $s_i[n]$ , in this paper 207 we define the problem for a known signal (i.e., deterministic), 208 d an unknown signal (i.e., random). 209 а

We formulate the underlying estimation problem based on ML techniques, which are widely considered as statistically efficient techniques to estimate the deterministic parameters [29]. However, before going through the detail of the estimation problem and its corresponding algorithm, in the following theorem, we establish the sufficient conditions for the considered model to be parametrically identifiable. In this theorem,  $\forall$  denotes "for all", and  $\exists$  denotes "there is".

*Theorem 1:* The model in (1) is identifiable, if the following conditions are satisfied,

- 220 1)  $\forall \phi \neq \phi^t : \exists \theta_i : G(\phi, \theta_i) \neq G(\phi^t, \theta_i).$
- 221 2)  $\forall \Delta \neq 1$  and  $\phi \neq \phi^t : \exists \theta_i : G(\phi, \theta_i) \neq \frac{1}{\Delta} G(\phi^t, \theta_i)$ , where 222  $\Delta = \frac{P_s}{P_s^t}$ .

<sup>223</sup> With  $\phi^t$  and  $P_s^t$  denoting the true DoT and  $P_s$ , respectively.



Fig. 3. (a): A symmetric antenna pattern example, (b) and (c): a *not identifiable* and an *identifiable* setup example with  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$  in both, and  $\theta_1 = 0$ ,  $\theta_2 = \pi$  in (b), and  $\theta_1 = 0$ ,  $\theta_2 = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ ,  $\theta_3 = \frac{4\pi}{3}$  in (c). The solid blue line shows the true DoT, and the dashed blue line in (b) depicts the ambiguity. It is clear that in (b) both  $\phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\phi = \frac{3\pi}{2}$  leads to the same power and gain product, thus the problem is not identifiable. This ambiguity is resolved in (c), because of addition of one more sensor.

**Proof:** The proof is provided in Appendix A. From Theorem 1, we can see that the parameter identifiability of (1) depends on the proper selection of the sensors, 226 which in turn depends on the specific  $G(\phi, \theta_i)$  function of the 227 source. Below, we outline the proper selection/placement of 228 the sensors for the specific case of symmetric antenna patterns (e.g., Horn antennas) in order to gain additional insight 230 into the conditions outlined in Theorem 1. 231

In the symmetric antenna patterns, the gain function only <sup>232</sup> depends on  $|\phi - \theta_i|$  where  $|\cdot|$  denotes the absolute value, and <sup>233</sup> thus  $G(\phi, \theta_i) = G(\phi - \theta_i) = G(\theta_i - \phi) = G(\phi - \theta_i + \pi), 0 \le$  <sup>234</sup>  $\phi \le 2\pi$ . Note, for this discussion, we consider a symmetric <sup>235</sup> antenna pattern which is a one-to-one monotonically decreasing function over  $|\phi - \theta_i| \in [0, \pi]$ , e.g., Fig. 3a. Since, we <sup>237</sup> are not aware of the specific value of  $(P_s^t, \phi^t)$ , we need to <sup>238</sup> select the sensors such that irrespective of  $\phi^t$ , the identifiability <sup>239</sup> conditions in Theorem 1 always hold. <sup>240</sup>

For the first condition in Theorem 1, assuming  $P_s^t$  to be <sup>241</sup> known, it is easy to show that this condition is satisfied, if <sup>242</sup> at least three of the sensors are located on either side of  $\phi^t$  <sup>243</sup> (e.g., Fig. 3c). Note that two sensors located on either side of <sup>244</sup>  $\phi^t$  is not sufficient for identifiability as in Fig. 3b. Further, in <sup>245</sup> order to make sure that irrespective of  $\phi^t$ , the selected sensors <sup>246</sup>  $(M \ge 3)$  make the problem identifiable, one of the possibilities <sup>247</sup> is to choose/place the sensors at equal angular separation to <sup>248</sup> each other, e.g.,  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{2\pi}{M}$  as in Fig. 3c. <sup>249</sup> To satisfy the second condition in Theorem 1, one <sup>250</sup>

To satisfy the second condition in Theorem 1, one 250 approach could be to select the sensors such that 251  $\forall \phi^{t}, \Delta \neq 1 : \exists \theta_{i} : \frac{\partial G(\phi^{t}, \theta_{i})}{\partial \phi^{t}} \neq \frac{1}{\Delta}$ . Assuming a non-linear 252 gain pattern as in Fig. 3a (which is mostly the case), again, 253

<sup>254</sup> one approach can be to select/place the sensors such that  $_{255} \theta_i = (i-1)\frac{2\pi}{M}$  (e.g., Fig. 3c). In this case, for all possible 256  $\phi^t$  and  $\Delta$ , there is always at least one sensor *i* for which  $\frac{\partial G(\phi^t, \theta_i)}{\partial \phi^t} \neq \frac{1}{\Delta}$ . This is an important result for identifiable esti-257 <sup>258</sup> mation setup of symmetric antenna patterned sources. Hence, we highlight a generalized description of this discussion in the 259 260 following proposition.

*Proposition 1:* If the source is equipped with a non-linear 261 262 symmetric antenna pattern which is a one-to-one non-linear decreasing function over  $|\phi - \theta_i| \in [0, \omega]$ , the model parameters are identifiable if  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{2\pi}{M}, i = 1, \dots, M$ , with 265  $M > \frac{2\pi}{\omega}$ , and  $\omega \le \pi$ .

Proof: The proof follows the same discussion as above and 266 267 therefore is omitted.

In the following sections, we present the likelihood func-268 269 tion of  $x_i[n]$  for both signal models, and provide the required 270 algorithms in the FC to estimate the power and DoT of the 271 source using maximum likelihood (ML) estimation technique 272 assuming the model to be identifiable.

#### **III. ANALYSIS AND PROBLEM FORMULATION:** 273 KNOWN SIGNAL 274

### 275 A. ML Estimation Problem Formulation

Assuming s[n] to be known with  $\mathbb{E}[s^2[n]] = 1$  (where  $\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$ 276 277 denotes the expectation),  $x_i[n]$  is an i.i.d. real-valued random <sup>278</sup> Gaussian variable with mean value of  $\sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)} s[n]$ and variance  $\sigma_w^2$ . Therefore, the probability density function 279 (pdf) of the received signal at sensor *i* and time *n* denoted by 280 <sub>281</sub>  $P(x_i[n])$  becomes

$${}^{282} P(x_i[n]|P_s, \phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_w^2}} \times \exp\left\{\frac{-\left(x_i[n] - \sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)} s[n]\right)^2}{2\sigma_w^2}\right\}.$$

As mentioned before, we consider a scenario where all 285 286 the sensors send their observations to the FC. Then the 287 FC estimate the power and the DoT using maximum like-288 lihood (ML) estimation. Denoting N to be total number of 289 samples per sensor, the joint likelihood function denoted by L290 is obtained by

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$$L(P_s, \phi) = \prod_{i=1}^{M} \prod_{n=1}^{N} P(x_i[n]|P_s, \phi), \qquad (3)$$

<sup>292</sup> and thus after some simplifications, the log-likelihood (LL) 293 function becomes

<sup>294</sup> 
$$LL(P_s, \phi) = MN \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \sigma_w^2}}$$
  
<sup>295</sup>  $- \frac{1}{2\sigma_w^2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^N (x_i[n] - \sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) s[n]})^2 \right],$ 
<sup>296</sup> (4)

<sup>297</sup> where log is the natural logarithm. Since  $MN \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_w^2}}$  and <sup>298</sup>  $\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}$  do not depend on  $P_s$  or  $\phi$ , for estimation purposes, we consider a reduced version of LL function in (4) as follows

$$LL(P_s, \phi) = -\left[\sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_i[n] - \sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) s[n]})^2\right].$$
(5) 301

In order to estimate  $P_s$  and  $\phi$ , we consider an ML estimation 302 problem defined as 303

$$\max_{\substack{P \neq \phi}} LL(P_s, \phi)$$
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s.t. 
$$P_s \ge 0, \ 0 \le \phi < 2\pi.$$
 (6) 305

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where  $LL(P_s, \phi)$  is obtained from (5).

#### B. Estimation Algorithm for (6)

To find a solution algorithm for (6), first we assume that 308 the  $\phi$  is given and find the optimal  $P_s$ , and then we insert 309 the optimal  $P_s$  in (6) to devise the required algorithm in order 310 to estimate  $\phi$  and  $P_s$ . As shall be shown later, for a given  $\phi_{311}$ denoted by  $\phi_g$ , there is a unique  $P_s$  which maximizes (5). For 312  $\phi_g$ , (6) becomes 313

$$\max_{P_s} - \left[\sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(x_i[n] - \sqrt{P_s G(\phi_g, \theta_i) h(d_i)} s[n]\right)^2\right]$$
  
s.t.  $P_s \ge 0.$  (7) 315

Thereby, we obtain the following theorem which provides the 316 closed form solution of (7) denoted by  $P_s^*(\phi_g)$ . 317

• If 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)} > 0$$
, then  
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$$P_{s}^{*}(\phi_{g}) = \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_{i} \sqrt{G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}\right)^{2}, \quad (8) \text{ set}$$

where 
$$R_i = \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_i[n]s[n], S = \sum_{n=1}^{N} s^2[n].$$
  
• If  $\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi_e, \theta_i)h(d_i)} < 0$ , then 322

$$P_s^*(\phi_g) = 0.$$

*Proof:* The proof is provided in Appendix B. 324 Proposition 2: The source power estimator in Theorem 1 is 325 unbiased and consistent for  $\phi_g = \phi^t$ . 326

Proof: The proof is provided in Appendix C. 327 Proposition 2 guarantees that the estimator in Theorem 2 328 converges to the true value of  $P_s$ , if  $\phi_g = \phi^t$ . 329 We can now rewrite (6) as follows 330

$$\max_{\phi} LL(P^*_{s}(\phi), \phi)$$
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s.t. 
$$0 \le \phi < 2\pi$$
, (9) 332

where  $P_s^*(\phi)$  is the optimal  $P_s$  coming from Theorem 2. After 333 some simple algebraic simplifications reported in Appendix D, 334 we obtain 335

$$\max_{\phi} \quad U\left(\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}\right)$$
<sup>336</sup>

$$\times \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}\right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}, \qquad (10) \quad {}_{337}$$

**Algorithm 1** Joint  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  Estimation Algorithm

**Input:**  $\phi = 0$ ,  $\delta \phi$  as the search step size,

- 1: while  $\phi \le 2\pi$  do 2: Step 1: Find  $P_s^*$  for  $\phi$  from Theorem 2, and store  $\phi$ ,  $P_s^*(\phi)$ , and  $LL(P_s^*, \phi)$ .
- 3: Step 2:  $\phi = \phi + \delta \phi$ .
- 4: end while
- 5: Find  $(\phi, P_s^*(\phi))$  which has the maximum  $LL(P_s^*, \phi)$  in storage.
- 6: **if**  $P_s^* = 0$  **then**
- 7: announce the transmitter is "off".
- 8: else
- 9: Estimate  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  by  $(\phi, P_s^*(\phi))$ .
- 10: end if

<sup>338</sup> where  $U(\bullet)$  is the Heaviside function, i.e., U(x) = 1 if  $x \ge 0$ , <sup>339</sup> and U(x) = 0 otherwise. This way, we can find the optimal  $\phi$ <sup>340</sup> denoted by  $\phi^*$  by an exhaustive line-search over  $\phi$ , and con-<sup>341</sup> sequently  $P_s^*$  from Theorem 2. The joint estimation of  $P_s$  and <sup>342</sup>  $\phi$  using (10) is depicted in a more clear way in Algorithm 1. <sup>343</sup> *Remark 1*: We can see from (10) that for the known signal <sup>344</sup> scenario, the sensors only need to send  $R_i$  to FC which reduces <sup>345</sup> the communications overhead significantly.

<sup>346</sup> Considering the fact that the computational and communica-<sup>347</sup> tion load of the FC reduces significantly by transmitting only <sup>348</sup>  $R_i$ s from the sensors, and further the fact that in each point <sup>349</sup> of the line search over  $\phi$ , the corresponding power estimate is <sup>350</sup> calculated by a closed form solution, the main computational <sup>351</sup> complexity of the algorithm lies in the required resolution of <sup>352</sup> the line-search. However, this can also be relieved significantly <sup>353</sup> by performing parallel computing techniques.

*Proposition 3*: If the ML estimator in (10) is identifiable, the estimator in Theorem 2 is unbiased and consistent.

<sup>356</sup> *Proof:* The proof is provided in Appendix E.

Therefore, the estimator in (10) converges to  $P_s^t$  and  $\phi^t$ .

# 358 C. CRB for Known Signal

In order to compare the performance of the developed technique, here we obtain the Cramer-Rao-Bound (CRB) of the estimation technique developed in this paper. The CRB provides a lower-bound on the mean-square-error (MSE) of an unbiased estimator and thus  $MSE(P_s, \phi)=MSE(P_s)+MSE(\phi)\geq$  $CRB(P_s, \phi) = CRB(P_s) + CRB(\phi)$  [29].

Assuming that  $LL(P_s, \phi)$  satisfies the regularity conditions, after algebraic manipulations presented in Appendix F, we obtain the following Theorem which calculates  $CRB(P_s, \phi)$ where  $G'(\phi, \theta_i) = \frac{\partial G(\phi, \theta_i)}{\partial \phi}$ .

Theorem 3: The  $CRB(P_s, \phi)$  for known signal is given by

<sup>370</sup> CRB(
$$P_s, \phi$$
) =  $\frac{4P_s \sigma_w^2}{N \sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)}$   
+  $\frac{4\sigma_w^2}{NP_s \sum_{i=1}^M h(d_i) \frac{G'^2(\phi, \theta_i)}{G(\phi, \theta_i)}}$ , (11)

with individual  $CRB(P_s)$  and  $CRB(\phi)$  obtained by

$$CRB(P_s) = \frac{4P_s \sigma_w^2}{N \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)},$$
 (12) 373

$$CRB(\phi) = \frac{4\sigma_w^2}{NP_s \sum_{i=1}^M h(d_i) \frac{G'^2(\phi, \theta_i)}{G(\phi, \theta_i)}}.$$
 (13) 374

Note that the calculation of individual CRBs is merely provided to gain more insights. Otherwise, as the estimation is <sup>376</sup> jointly performed over  $P_s$  and  $\phi$ , the individual CRBs can <sup>377</sup> not be a good benchmark for comparison. From (11), it is <sup>378</sup> clear that increasing the noise power, increases the total CRB, <sup>379</sup> but the effect of  $P_s$  on the total CRB is not exactly clear. <sup>380</sup> Increasing  $P_s$  increases the CRB( $P_s$ ) but reduces the CRB( $\phi$ ). <sup>381</sup> Additionally, increasing the number of samples reduces the <sup>382</sup> total CRB linearly and thus the expected MSE. Furthermore, <sup>383</sup> we can see that as the number of sensors increases, the CRB <sup>344</sup> decreases but its effect is not linearly scaled as is the case <sup>345</sup> for the number of samples *N*. Finally, it is clear that as the <sup>346</sup> distance of the sensors to the source increases, CRB increases. <sup>347</sup>

# A. ML Estimation Problem Formulation

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In this section, ML estimation of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  is considered for <sup>391</sup> an unknown signal model  $s_i[n]$  which follows a zero-mean <sup>392</sup> normal distribution. Therefore, the probability distribution <sup>393</sup> function of  $x_i[n]$  is obtained by <sup>394</sup>

$$p(x_i[n]|P_s,\phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \left[P_s G(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right]}}$$
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$$\leftarrow \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{x_i^2[n]}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2}\right), \quad (14) \quad \text{(14)}$$

This way, due to the temporal and spatial independence of  $_{397}$  sensors observations, the joint likelihood of  $x_i[n]$ s becomes  $_{398}$ 

$$L(P_{s},\phi) = \prod_{i=1}^{M} \prod_{n=1}^{N} p(x_{i}[n]|P_{s},\phi)$$
<sup>399</sup>

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{M} \prod_{n=1}^{N} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi [P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2]}} \right)$$
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$$\times \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{x_i^2[n]}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2}\right)\right), \quad {}^{401}$$

$$(15) \quad {}^{402}$$

To make the mathematical derivations easier, we apply the 403 natural logarithm on both sides of (15), and thus after some 404 simplifications, we obtain 405

$$LL(P_s,\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{N}{2} \log \left(2\pi \left[P_s G(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right]\right)$$
<sup>406</sup>

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_i^2[n]}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2}.$$
 (16) 407

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408 As in the previous case, here we estimate  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  by 409 maximizing the function in (16) as follows,

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$$\max_{P_s,\phi} LL(P_s,\phi)$$
411 s.t.  $P_s \ge 0, \ 0 \le \phi \le 2\pi$ . (17)

#### 412 B. Estimation Algorithm for (17)

The joint estimation of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  with the defined objective 413 414 function is difficult. Therefore, first we obtain the ML of  $P_s$ 415 for a given  $\phi$ , and then we insert the obtained result in (17) <sup>416</sup> in order to obtain the ML of  $\phi$ .

For a given  $\phi = \phi_g$ , the optimal  $P_s$  is obtained according 417 the following theorem. 418 to

*Theorem 4:* For a given  $\phi = \phi_g$ , the optimal  $P_s$  denoted by 419 420  $P_{s}^{*}$  is obtained by

• If 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})(X_{i} - N\sigma_{w}^{2}) \leq 0$$
 then  $P_{s}^{*} = 0$ .

• If  $\sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi_g, \theta_i) h(d_i) (X_i - N\sigma_w^2) > 0$  then  $P_s^*$  is the unique solution of  $\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} = 0$ , with 422 423

$$\begin{array}{ll} _{424} & \frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{NG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{2\left(P_s G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)} \\ _{425} & + \frac{G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)X_i}{2\left(P_s G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2}, \end{array}$$

426 where 
$$X_i = \sum_{n=1}^N x_i^2[n]$$
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*Proof:* The proof is provided in Appendix G. Note that to find the solution of  $\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} = 0$ , we can either 428 use efficient techniques such as Newton method, or exploit the 429 430 quasi concavity of the LL function, and employ bisection techniques. In the latter case, we should remember to put  $P_s^* = 0$ 431 432 in case the result of bisection technique leads to a negative 433 power.

Proposition 4: The transmission power estimator in 434 <sup>435</sup> Theorem 4 is unbiased and consistent for  $\phi_g = \phi^t$ .

Proof: The proof is provided in Appendix H. 436

Proposition 4 guarantees that the estimator in Theorem 4 437 onverges to  $P_s^t$ . 438 C

As in the case of known signal, here we insert  $P_s^*$  in (16), 439 440 and thus the optimal  $\phi$  and consequently optimal  $P_s$  can be 441 estimated by solving the following line-search problem,

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$$\max_{\phi} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( -\frac{N}{2} \log \left( 2\pi \left[ P_s^*(\phi) G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2 \right] \right) \right)$$

<sup>443</sup> 
$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} r_i r_i}{P_s^*(\phi) G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2}$$
<sup>444</sup> s.t.  $0 \le \phi \le 2\pi$ , (18)

445 where  $P_s^*(\phi)$  is obtained from Theorem 4. Since the LL func-446 tion often does not have a unique global maxima in  $\phi$ , standard 447 optimization algorithms such as gradient descent can lead to <sup>448</sup> a local maxima which may be far away from the true  $\phi$ . The 449 joint estimation of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  using (18) is depicted in a more 450 clear way in Algorithm 2.

Proposition 5: If the estimator in (17) is identifiable, then 451 <sup>452</sup> the estimator in (18) is asymptotically unbiased and consistent. *Proof:* The proof is provided in Appendix I. 453

Algorithm 2 Joint  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  Estimation Algorithm

**Input:**  $\phi = 0$ ,  $\delta \phi$  as the search step size,

1: while 
$$\phi \leq 2\pi$$
 do

Step 1: Find  $P_s^*$  for  $\phi$  from Theorem 4, and store  $\phi$ , 2:  $P_s^*(\phi)$ , and  $LL(P_s^*, \phi)$ .

Step 2:  $\phi = \phi + \delta \phi$ . 3:

- 4: end while
- 5: Find  $(\phi, P_s^*(\phi))$  which has the maximum  $LL(P_s^*, \phi)$  in storage.
- 6: **if**  $P_s^* = 0$  **then**
- 7: announce the transmitter is "off".
- 8: else
- Estimate  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  by  $(\phi, P_s^*(\phi))$ 9:

10: end if

Therefore, estimator in (18) converges to  $\phi^t$  and conse- 454 quently  $P_{s}^{t}$ .

Remark 2: Looking at the unknown signal estimator, we 456 can see that in this estimator, the sensors only need to com- 457 municate the accumulated energy of the received samples to 458 the FC. 459

Considering the fact that the computational and communica- 460 tion load of the FC reduces significantly by transmitting only 461 the accumulated energy of samples from the sensors, the main 462 computational complexity of the algorithm lies in the required 463 resolution of the line-search as well as finding the root of 464  $\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_{\rm c}}$ . However, the computational complexity induced by the 465 line search can be relieved significantly by performing parallel 466 computing techniques. As for the root-finding, we can resort 467 to fast techniques such as Newton method with quadratic con- 468 vergence rate, and of low complexity. Therefore, although the 469 complexity of algorithm in case of unknown signals may be 470 higher than the one of known signals, but yet affordable. 471

# C. CRB for Unknown Signal

As in Section III-C, after some algebraic calculations, we 473 obtain Theorem 5, which derives the  $CRB(P_s, \phi)$  for the 474 unknown signal scenario. 475

Theorem 5. We obtain  $CRB(P_s, \phi)$  for the unknown signal 476 as follows, 477

$$CRB(P_s, \phi) = \frac{2}{N(\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B})} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{P_s h(d_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2 \right], \quad {}_{479}$$

$$(19) \quad {}_{480}$$

with 
$$G'(\phi, \theta_i) = \frac{\partial G(\phi, \theta_i)}{\partial \phi}$$
, and 481

$$\mathcal{A} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{P_s h(d_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2$$
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$$\times \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2, \quad {}_{483}$$

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$$\mathcal{B} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{P_s h^2(d_i) G(\phi, \theta_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{\left(P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2}\right)^2.$$

<sup>486</sup> Further, the individual CRB for  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  are given by

$${}_{487} \quad \operatorname{CRB}(P_s) = \frac{2}{N(\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B})} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{P_s h(d_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2 \right],$$

$${}_{488} \tag{20}$$

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$$\operatorname{CRB}(\phi) = \frac{2}{N(\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B})} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2 \right].$$
491 (21)

<sup>492</sup> *Proof:* The proof is provided in Appendix J. <sup>493</sup> We can see that as the number of sensors N increases, the <sup>494</sup> nominator of CRB( $P_s, \phi$ ) increases with N and denominator <sup>495</sup> with  $N^2$ , and thus we can deduce that CRB decreases as N <sup>496</sup> increases. Opposite effect can be observed for  $\sigma_w^2$ , i.e., CRB <sup>497</sup> increases with  $\sigma_w^2$ . However, the effect of the number of <sup>498</sup> sensors M,  $P_s$  and  $d_i$  on CRB is not straightforward.

#### V. SIMULATION RESULTS

In this section, our goal is to evaluate the performance of the known signal and unknown signal algorithms using some signal and unknown signal algorithms using some some simulations results. We particularly focus on a source with a symmetric antenna pattern (with a shape similar to Fig. 3a) source defined as

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$$G(\phi, \theta_i) = \begin{cases} 100 \exp(-|\phi - \theta_i|) & \text{if } 0 \le |\phi - \theta_i| \le 180^\circ; \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$
<sup>506</sup> (22)

507 This definition of antenna gain pattern matches well with most of the practical symmetric antenna patterns, e.g., Horn or 508 parabolic antennas. Further, according to Proposition 1, we 509 510 place the sensors such that  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{2\pi}{M}$  to make the setup identifiable, and without loss of generality, unless it is clearly 511 <sup>512</sup> mentioned, we assume the sensors are equally distanced from 513 the source, and thus  $\forall i : d_i = d$ . In all the simulations, we <sub>514</sub> assume DoT to be  $\phi = 60^\circ$ ,  $P_s = 0$  dBW, transmit frequency 515 denoted by f to be 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$  (equivalent to a line-ofsight channel), and  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW which approximately 517 represents the noise power of a 5 MHz bandwidth and noise 518 temperature of T = 360 K receiver. Note that in practice, 519 depending on the environment, the value of  $\gamma$  is often higher 520 than 2 which is equivalent to free space path-loss. Further, the considered value of bandwidth and noise temperature in this 521 522 paper does not necessarily represent a particular implementa-<sup>523</sup> tion, as the specific value of these parameters may change from one sensor technology to another, and depends on the require-524 ment of the operators, environment and antenna technologies. 525 Therefore, the simulations based on the chosen parameters 526 527 here are provided as an academic exercise in order to illustrate 528 the efficiency of the proposed algorithms as well as validity of

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Fig. 4. NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus number of samples for known and unknown signal algorithms, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 3,  $\theta_i = (i - 1)\frac{360}{3}$  for i = 1, 2, 3, and d = 1000 m.

claims in this paper. Before going through the detailed simulations results, please note that in all the figures, 'ks' denotes the known signal algorithm, and 'us' denotes the unknown one.

Fig. 4 depicts the normalized mean square error (NMSE) of 532 the estimated parameters  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  with the number of sam- 533 ples N, for the known and unknown signal algorithms. In this 534 figure, three sensors are considered for cooperative estima- 535 tion setup, which are located at the distance of d = 1000 m 536 to the source. The simulation result is averaged over 1000 537 runs and  $\delta \phi = 0.1$ . It is clear that as N increases, NMSE 538 for both parameters and both algorithms reduces. This verifies 539 the claims in Propositions 2 to 5. Further, in order to eval- 540 uate the performance of the algorithm with respect to those 541 that only estimate  $P_s$  assuming accurate  $\phi$  to be known (as in, 542 e.g., [13]), the lines titled  $P_s(\phi_g = 60^\circ)$  are depicted which 543 shows the NMSE of  $P_s$  when  $\phi$  is known for both known 544 and unknown signal algorithms. In both cases, we can see 545 that the NMSE in this case is extremely close to the one with 546 estimated  $\phi$ . 547

In order to evaluate the sensitivity of the algorithms with 548 respect to the line search step size,  $\delta\phi$ , in Figures 5 and 6, 549 we depict the NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus  $\delta \phi$  for both known 550 and unknown signal algorithms, respectively. In these figures, 551 we evaluate the performance for two different values of  $\phi$ , 552 i.e.,  $\phi = 60^{\circ}, 60.5^{\circ}$ . The other parameters are the same as 553 previous scenario, with the difference of N = 1000. An inter- 554 esting trend in both figures is that for  $\phi = 60.5^{\circ}$  where a 555 minimum resolution of level 0.1 is required, increasing  $\delta \phi$  556 generally leads to an increase in NMSE. This is particularly 557 evident for NMSE of  $\phi$ . However, for  $\phi = 60^{\circ}$ , a minimum 558 resolution of  $\delta \phi = 1$  is required. Here, we can see while 559 NMSE for  $\delta \phi = 0.1$  is vet acceptable, however for a range 560 of  $\delta\phi$  from 1 to 6 as well as 10, the NMSE particularly for 561  $\phi$  is very low (in our case for 1000 realizations, no error was 562 observed). This trend can be because of the fact that here 563 a resolution of 1 is enough and further, the gain pattern in 564 the next step becomes largely different from the previous step 565



Fig. 5. NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus  $\delta\phi$  for known signal algorithm, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 3,  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{360}{3}$  for i = 1, 2, 3, N = 1000, and d = 1000 m.



Fig. 6. NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus  $\delta\phi$  for unknown signal algorithm, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 3,  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{360}{3}$  for i = 1, 2, 3, N = 1000, and d = 1000 m.

<sup>566</sup> (something which does not usually happen for lower resolu-<sup>567</sup> tions unless the pattern becomes very sharp), and thus a better <sup>568</sup> NMSE in this case can be achieved. Nevertheless, in practice, <sup>569</sup> we are mostly not aware of the minimum required step size, <sup>570</sup> therefore it is more reasonable to choose a lower resolution as <sup>571</sup> long as the computations are affordable. Note that in the rest <sup>572</sup> of numerical results unless it is clearly mentioned we assume <sup>573</sup>  $\delta \phi = 0.1$ .

In Fig. 7, the CRB performance of the known and unknown signal algorithms is evaluated versus the number of samples for the same scenario as in Fig. 4, and for two values of  $\delta \phi =$ 0.1, 1. Here, we particularly depict the normalized total CRB row (NCRB) and compared with the total NMSE as defined in Section III-C. We can see that the unknown signal estimator performs very close to CRB for both values of  $\delta \phi$ . For the known estimator, once again we can observe the importance of  $\delta \phi$  in estimation accuracy. While for  $\delta \phi = 1$ , the estimator



Fig. 7. NMSE and NCRB of known and unknown signal algorithms versus the number of samples, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 3,  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{360}{3}$  for i = 1, 2, 3, and d = 1000 m.



Fig. 8. NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus the distance to the source for the known signal algorithm and different number of sensors, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 3, 4,  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{360}{M}$  for i = 1, ..., M, and N=1000.

achieves the CRB after few samples, however for  $\delta \phi = 0.1$ , 583 due to a higher value of estimation error in  $\phi$ , the performance 584 is further away from the CRB. 585

After confirming the convergence of the algorithms with the 586 number of samples in Figures 4 and 7, in Fig. 8, we intend 587 to evaluate the effect of the distance to the source d, and 588 the number of sensors M on the estimation accuracy of the 589 known signal algorithm. In this figure, we consider a configuration of 3 and 4 sensors, with the number of samples fixed at 591 N = 1000. We can see that as d increases, the estimation accuracy decreases, and the opposite effect is seen 593 when M increases, which verifies the discussion provided in 594 Section III-C. 595

In Fig. 9, the evaluation of Fig. 8 is performed for the 596 unknown signal algorithm. In this case, the number of sen- 597 sors is fixed at 3, 6 and 9, and the results are averaged over 598



Fig. 9. NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus the distance to the source for the unknown signal algorithm and different number of sensors, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 3, 6, 9,  $\theta_i = (i - 1)\frac{360}{M}$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, M$ , and N=1000.

1000 runs. It is clear that increasing d, leads to a lower esti-600 mation accuracy for  $\phi$ , and increasing the number of sensors <sup>601</sup> improves the estimation accuracy of  $\phi$ . However, in case of  $P_s$ , we have not observed a major change. Nevertheless, we have 602 not observed the effect of number of sensors on improving 603 604 estimation accuracy for all numbers of M > 3 in our simula-<sup>605</sup> tions. We can say if the setup with 3 sensors is spanned by the <sup>606</sup> setup of higher number of sensors (e.g., 6 or 9 as in Fig. 9), the 607 estimation accuracy may improve, however if the new setup does not include the one of 3 sensors, it may even lead to a 608  $_{609}$  lower estimation accuracy for  $P_s$  based on our observations. This indeed verifies the discussion in Section IV-C, where we 610 could not draw a definite conclusion about the effect of number 611 612 of sensors on the estimation accuracy of the unknown signal 613 algorithm.

Note that so far, we assumed that the sensors are placed the equal distance to the source. In order to evaluate the performance of the system when the sensors are located at a random distance to the source, in Fig. 10, NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$ the versus the number of samples is depicted for the same paramers as in Fig. 4, except for *d*, which is chosen randomly from the set {100, 1000} m. As we can see the algorithms still provide a good estimation accuracy.

After verification of the provided algorithms for the assumed radiation pattern in (22), in Fig. 11, we provide NMSE versus number of samples for the case of a more realistic antenna pattern obtained from ITU-R S.465-6 [30]. The other parameters are the same as Fig. 4. Note that in this case the antenna pattern is only a one to one function over  $[0^{\circ}, 48^{\circ}]$ , and thus according to Proposition 1, at least 8 sensors are required to make sure the problem is identifiable. Indeed, during the simulations, we confirmed this fact by reducing the number of sensors to 7, and it was observed that the algorithms can not converge in this case. From the figure, we can see that the proposed algorithms provide a good estimation accuracy, and further as the



Fig. 10. NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus number of samples for known and unknown signal algorithms for random  $d_i$ s, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 3,  $\theta_i = (i - 1)\frac{360}{3}$  for i = 1, 2, 3.



Fig. 11. NMSE of  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  versus the number of samples for known and unknown signal algorithms, an antenna pattern based on ITU-R S.465-6, with  $P_s = 0$  dBW,  $\sigma_w^2 = -136$  dBW, f = 18 GHz,  $\gamma = 2$ , M = 8, 10,  $\theta_i = (i-1)\frac{360}{M}$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, M$ , and d = 1000.

number of sensors increases, the estimation accuracy clearly 634 improves in this case. 635

#### VI. CONCLUSION 636

Joint estimation of transmission power and DoT for a <sup>637</sup> directive source was considered in this paper. We formulated <sup>638</sup> the underlying ML estimation problems considering a known <sup>639</sup> and an unknown model. The identifiability conditions for the <sup>640</sup> model parameters were derived, and particularly we showed <sup>641</sup> that for the symmetric antenna patterned sources, the sufficient <sup>642</sup> conditions include a lower-bound on the number of sensors, <sup>643</sup> and sensors to be placed with equal angular distances. This <sup>644</sup> was followed by providing the algorithmic solution of the <sup>645</sup> estimation problems which rendered to be unbiased and consistent. Further, we drove the CRB for both the known signal <sup>647</sup> 648 and unknown signal algorithms. In addition, it was shown 649 that in case of known signal scenario, the sensors only need 650 to transmit the cross correlation of the observation samples 651 with the original signal, and in case of unknown signal sce-652 nario, the sensors only need to communicate the energy of 653 the received samples. This leads to a significant reduction of 654 communication and computation overhead.

To evaluate the performance of the developed algorithms, 655 we performed several simulations results. It was shown that the 656 esp algorithms deliver a good estimation accuracy for  $P_s$  and  $\phi$ , 658 and further their performance is close to CRB. As verified by 659 simulations results, proper placement of the sensors according the identifiability analysis provided in the paper is a critical 660 to 661 parameter to consider. Another parameter which is important 662 in obtaining accurate results is the path-loss exponent. While 663 in the simulations results, we assumed this to be equal to 2 in the case of free space path-loss, in reality depending on 664 as 665 the environment this value is usually higher. Therefore, proper 666 tuning of path-loss exponent is another parameter to take into 667 account while calibrating the system.

In this paper, we assumed the gain pattern to be exactly known, however in practice this knowledge might not be always available or simply the antenna is not well calibrated. Development of the algorithms for unknown gain patterns is an include better path-loss modeling, particularly using advanced wave-field estimation techniques, polarization estimation, and estimation of sources in point-to-multi-point scenarios.

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# APPENDIX A Proof of Theorem 1

Parameter identifiability means that model parameters can error be uniquely determined from a set of noise and error free observations [27], [28]. Hence, in our case, we need to show that the set of equations  $\forall i : s_i[n]\sqrt{P_sG(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)} =$  $s_i[n]\sqrt{P_s^tG(\phi^t, \theta_i)h(d_i)}$  results in  $P_s = P_s^t$  and  $\phi = \phi^t$ , with  $P_s^t$  and  $\phi^t$  denoting the true  $P_s$  and  $\phi$ . Therefore, the problem boils down to finding the conditions under which no other  $P_s \neq P_s^t$  or  $\phi \neq \phi^t$  can result in  $P_sG(\phi, \theta_i) = P_s^tG(\phi^t, \theta_i) \forall i$ . First, we start with the case where  $\phi = \phi^t$  but  $P_s \neq P_s^t$ . In this case, it is clear that there is no  $P_s \neq P_s^t$  for which  $P_sG(\phi, \theta_i) = P_s^tG(\phi^t, \theta_i), \forall i$ . Therefore, if  $\phi = \phi^t$ , the problem is always identifiable.

Now, we consider the case where  $P_s = P_s^t$ , but  $\phi \neq \phi^t$ . This way, the problem is identifiable if  $\forall i, \phi \neq \phi^t : G(\phi \neq \phi^t, \theta_i) \neq$  $G(\phi^t, \theta_i)$ . This condition does not hold for a general antenna pattern, all the time, e.g., symmetric antenna patterns as in Fig. 3a. In this case, the problem is identifiable if the common solution of the set  $G(\phi, \theta_i) = G(\phi^t, \theta_i), i = 1, ..., M$ , is unique. It is clear that all the equations have at least a common solution which is  $\phi = \phi^t$ , and further, the uniqueness can be satisfied if  $\forall \phi \neq \phi^t : \exists \theta_i : G(\phi, \theta_i) \neq G(\phi^t, \theta_i)$ .

Finally, we look into the case where  $P_s \neq P_s^t$ , and  $\phi \neq \phi^t$ . 700 Assuming  $P_s = \Delta P_s^t$ , the problem in this case is unidentifiable 701 if  $\exists \phi \neq \phi^t : G(\phi \neq \phi^t, \theta_i) = \frac{1}{\Delta}G(\phi^t, \theta_i), \forall i$ . Therefore, the 702 problem becomes identifiable if  $\forall \Delta \neq 1, \phi \neq \phi^t : \exists \theta_i : G(\phi \neq \phi^t, \theta_i) \neq \frac{1}{\Delta}G(\phi^t, \theta_i)$ . And this concludes our proof.

## APPENDIX B 704 PROOF OF THEOREM 2 705

In order to find the maximum of  $P_s \mapsto LL(P_s, \phi_g)$ , we <sup>706</sup> would like to analyze the shape of the function. To do that, <sup>707</sup> we will calculate its derivative function. For any  $P_s \neq 0$ , we <sup>708</sup> easily get <sup>709</sup>

$$\frac{\partial LL(P_s, \phi_g)}{\partial P_s} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{P_s}} \sum_{i=1}^M R_i \sqrt{G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)} - S \sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i).$$
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• If  $\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)} > 0$ , then the derivative func- 712 tion is positive as  $P_s \rightarrow 0$ . And thus the function 713  $LL(\bullet, \phi_g)$  increases with  $P_s$  until the point  $P_s^*$  such that 714

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{P_s^*}} \sum_{i=1}^M R_i \sqrt{G(\phi_g, \theta_i) h(d_i)} = S \sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi_g, \theta_i) h(d_i).$$
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Beyond the point  $P_s^*$ , the derivative function becomes 716 negative and the function  $LL(\bullet, \phi_g)$  decreases. Therefore 717 the optimal point is  $P_s^*$  and so we get Eq. (8). 718

• If  $\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)} \le 0$ , then the derivative func- 719 tion is always negative and so the function  $LL(\bullet, \phi_g)$  is 720 monotonic decreasing in  $P_s$ . Therefore the optimal point 721 is zero. 722

# APPENDIX C 723 PROOF OF PROPOSITION 2 724

We prove the proposition for the case  $P_s^t > 0$ , the case 725 with  $P_s^t = 0$  (i.e., the case where the transmitter is actually "off") can be proved in a similar way (indeed in this 727 case for any  $\phi_g$  including  $\phi_t$ , the estimated  $P_s$  tends to 0 728 asymptotically). Denoting the true  $P_s$  to be estimated as  $P_s^t$ , 729 to prove the consistency of the estimator in Theorem 2, 730 we need to prove that  $\lim_{N\to\infty} P_s^{M}$  from (8) is equal to  $P_s^t$ . 731 Considering the fact that  $\lim_{N\to\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi^t, \theta_i)h(d_i)} =$  732  $\lim_{N\to\infty} S\sqrt{P_s^t} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sqrt{G(\phi^t, \theta_i)h(d_i)} > 0$ , we have (23), as 733 shown at the top of the next page, where we used the fact that  $R_i = S\sqrt{P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i)h(d_i)} + \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_i[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^t, \theta_i)h(d_i)}$ , 735 and  $\lim_{N\to\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_i[n] = 0$ . 736

Further, to prove that this estimator is unbiased, we need to 737 show that  $\mathbb{E}(P_s^*) = P_s^t$ . Therefore we have (24), as shown at 738 the top of the next page, where 739

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{M}\sum_{n=1}^{N}s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{t},\theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S\sum_{i=1}^{M}G(\phi^{t},\theta_{i})h(d_{i})}\right)^{2}\right]$$
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$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{2\sqrt{P_s^t}\sum_{i=1}^M\sum_{n=1}^N s[n]w_i[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^t,\theta_i)h(d_i)}}{S\sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi^t,\theta_i)h(d_i)}\right)\right],$$
<sup>742</sup>

are found to be zero by replacing the expectation with the <sup>743</sup> samplez average as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . And this concludes our proof. <sup>744</sup>

and

$$\begin{split} \lim_{N \to \infty} P_{s}^{*} &= \lim_{N \to \infty} \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_{i} \sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} \\ &= \lim_{N \to \infty} \left( \frac{S\sqrt{P_{s}} \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} + \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{P_{s}} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} + \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{P_{s}} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} + \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{P_{s}} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} + \sum_{N \to \infty} \frac{2\sqrt{P_{s}} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} \\ &= P_{s}^{I} + 0 + 0, \\ &= P_{s}^{I} + \mathbb{E}\left[ \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} + \mathbb{E}\left[ \frac{2\sqrt{P_{s}} \sum_{i=1}^{M} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} \right] \\ &= P_{s}^{I} + \mathbb{E}\left[ \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} \right] + \mathbb{E}\left[ \left( \frac{2\sqrt{P_{s}} \sum_{i=1}^{M} s[n]w_{i}[n]\sqrt{G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}}{S \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi^{i}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} \right)^{2} \right] \\ &= P_{s}^{I} + 0 + 0, \\ &= P_{s}^{I}, \\ LL(P_{s}, \phi) = \mathbb{E}\left[ \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n] - \sqrt{P_{s}G(\phi, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} s[n]^{2} \right] \right],$$

$$&= \mathbb{E}\left[ \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{M} s[n]w_{i}[n] - \sqrt{P_{s}G(\phi, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} s[n]^{2} \right] \right],$$

$$&= \mathbb{E}\left[ \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n] - \sqrt{P_{s}G(\phi, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} s[n]^{2} \right] \right],$$

$$&= \mathbb{E}\left[ \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} s[n]w_{i}[n] - \sqrt{P_{s}G(\phi, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})} s[n]^{2} \right] \right],$$

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# APPENDIX D Proof of Equation (10)

<sup>746</sup> If  $\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)} \ge 0$ , we put (8) into (5), <sup>748</sup> and obtain that we have to maximize  $-\sum_{i=1}^{M} X_i +$ <sup>749</sup>  $\frac{1}{S} \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}$  with  $X_i = \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_i^2(n)$ . <sup>750</sup> If  $\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)} < 0$ ,  $P_s^*(\phi_g) = 0$ , and so we triv-<sup>751</sup> ially have to maximize  $-\sum_{i=1}^{M} X_i$  which is actually constant.

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Consequently, we can merge both cases in a single equation T56 Consequently, we can merge both cases in a single equation T57 as follows  $-\sum_{i=1}^{M} X_i + \delta \frac{1}{S} \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^{M} R_i \sqrt{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}$  with  $\delta$  equal T58 to 1 for the first case and 0 for the second case. T59 Moreover as  $-\sum_{i=1}^{M} X_i$  and S are independent of  $\phi$ , these

<sup>759</sup> Moreover as  $-\sum_{i=1}^{M} X_i$  and *S* are independent of  $\phi$ , these <sup>760</sup> terms can be removed and we then obtain the result provided <sup>761</sup> in (10).

# 762APPENDIX E763PROOF OF PROPOSITION 3

To prove that (10) is unbiased and consistent, it is easier to provide the same for (6). To prove consistency, it is clear that

<sup>766</sup> 
$$\lim_{N \to \infty} - \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_i[n] - \sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)} s[n])^2 \right]$$

$$= \lim_{N \to \infty} -\left[\sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(\sqrt{P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i) h(d_i)} s[n] + w_i[n]\right] \right]^{763}$$

$$-\sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)} s[n] \Big)^2 \bigg]$$
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is maximized when  $P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) = P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i)$ . Since the <sup>769</sup> problem is assumed to be identifiable,  $P_s = P_s^t$  and  $\phi = \phi^t$ . <sup>770</sup>

To prove (6) is unbiased, we need to show that 771  $\mathbb{E}\left(\max_{P_s,\phi} LL(P_s,\phi)\right) = (P_s^t,\phi^t)$ . Therefore we have (25), as 772 shown at the top of this page, where 773

$$\min_{P_s,\phi} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^N \left( x_i[n] - \sqrt{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)} s[n] \right)^2 \right]$$
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$$=\sum_{i=1}^{M}\sum_{n=1}^{N}\min_{P_{s},\phi}\left[\left(\left(\sqrt{P_{s}^{t}G(\phi^{t},\theta_{i})h(d_{i})}-\sqrt{P_{s}G(\phi,\theta_{i})h(d_{i})}\right)\right) \times s[n]+w_{i}[n]\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$\times s[n]+w_{i}[n]\right)^{2}$$

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is similar to minimizing variance of a non-central chi-squared <sup>777</sup> distributed random variable. The variance of a chi-squared random variable is minimized when the non-centrality parameter <sup>779</sup> becomes zero. Therefore, we obtain  $P_sG(\phi, \theta_i) = P_s^tG(\phi^t, \theta_i)$ , <sup>780</sup> and again as the problem is assumed to be identifiable <sup>781</sup>  $P_s = P_s^t$  and  $\phi = \phi^t$ . Replacing this in (25), we obtain <sup>762</sup> <sup>783</sup>  $\mathbb{E}[\max_{P_s,\phi} LL(P_s,\phi)] = \mathbb{E}[(P_s^t,\phi^t)] = (P_s^t,\phi^t)$ . And this con-<sup>784</sup> cludes our proof.

# 785 APPENDIX F 786 PROOF OF THEOREM 3

<sup>787</sup> We recall that the CRB for parameters  $[P_s, \phi]$  is the trace of <sup>788</sup> the inverse of the Fisher Information Matrix **F** ([29]) defined as

 $\mathbf{F} = \mathbb{E} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} \frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} & \frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} \frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi} \\ \frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} & \frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi} \frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (26)$ 

<sup>790</sup> where  $LL(P_s, \phi)$  is given by (4). After some calculations we <sup>791</sup> can derive each term of the **F** matrix by

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\right) = \frac{N\sum_{i=1}^{M}G(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i)}{4P_s\sigma_w^2},$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\right) = \frac{NP_s\sum_{i=1}^{m}h(d_i)\frac{\partial LL}{G(\phi,\theta_i)}}{4\sigma_w^2},$$

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$$G'(\phi, \theta_i) = \frac{\partial G(\phi, \theta_i)}{\partial \phi}$$
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$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\right) = \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\right) = 0.$$

<sup>797</sup> This way, the inverse of **F** denoted by  $\mathbf{F}^{-1}$  becomes

$$\mathbf{F}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4P_s \sigma_w^2}{N \sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)} & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & \frac{4\sigma_w^2}{NP_s \sum_{i=1}^M h(d_i) \frac{C^{\prime 2}(\phi, \theta_i)}{G(\phi, \theta_i)}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (27)$$

799 and thus we obtain

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$$\operatorname{CRB}(P_s, \phi) = \operatorname{trace}\left(\mathbf{F}^{-1}\right) = \frac{4P_s \sigma_w^2}{N \sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)} + \frac{4\sigma_w^2}{\sqrt{N} \sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)},$$
 (28)

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$$CRB(r_s) = \frac{1}{N \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)},$$
$$CRB(\phi) = \frac{4\sigma_w^2}{N P_s \sum_{i=1}^{M} h(d_i) \frac{G'^2(\phi, \theta_i)}{G(\phi, \theta_i)}},$$

<sup>805</sup> which concludes our proof.

In order to prove Theorem 4, first we calculate  $\frac{\partial LL(P_s,\phi_g)}{\partial P_s}$ and we obtain

$${}^{\text{B10}} \quad \frac{\partial LL(P_s, \phi_g)}{\partial P_s} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{NG(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{2\left(P_sG(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)} + \frac{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)X_i}{2\left(P_sG(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2}.$$
 (29)

It is clear the negative term in (29), i.e.,  $-\frac{NG(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i)}{2(P_sG(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i)+\sigma_w^2)}$ <sup>812</sup> is increasing in  $P_s$ , while the positive term, <sup>813</sup> i.e.,  $\frac{G(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i)X_i}{2(P_sG(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i)+\sigma_w^2)^2}$  is decreasing in  $P_s$ . Further, it <sup>814</sup> is clear that the speed of the negative term growth is slower <sup>815</sup> that the speed of the positive term reduction. This shows that <sup>816</sup> the negative term of (29) can cut the positive term only once

the negative term of (29) can cut the positive term only once. <sup>817</sup> For  $P_s = 0$ ,  $\frac{\partial LL(P_s, \phi_g)}{\partial P_s}$  has two possibilities as follows. <sup>818</sup>

• If  $\frac{\partial LL(P_s,\phi_g)}{\partial P_s}\Big|_{P_s=0} \le 0$  and thus  $\sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi_g,\theta_i)h(d_i)(X_i - \theta_{19})$  $N\sigma_w^2) \le 0$ , with increasing  $P_s$ , the positive term reduces  $\theta_{20}$ 

 $P(\sigma_w) \leq 0$ , with increasing  $P_s$ , the positive term increases are positive term increases, and hence  $\frac{\partial LL(P_s, \phi_g)}{\partial P_s}$  and remains not positive. Therefore the optimal  $P_s$  in this are case is  $P_s^* = 0$ .

If 
$$\frac{\partial LL(P_s,\phi_g)}{\partial P_s}\Big|_{P_s=0} > 0$$
 and thus  $\sum_{i=1}^M G(\phi_g,\theta_i)h(d_i)(X_i - \theta_i)h(d_i)(X_i - \theta_i)h(d_i)h(d_i)(X_i - \theta_i)h(d_i)h(d_i)(X_i - \theta_i)h(d_i)h($ 

 $N\sigma_w^2$  > 0, then the positive and negative terms will cut <sup>825</sup> each other at  $P_s^*$  > 0, and after that  $\frac{\partial LL(P_s, \phi_g)}{\partial P_s}$  becomes <sup>826</sup> negative. Therefore, the optimal  $P_s$  in this case the root of <sup>827</sup>

$$\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s} = \sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{NG(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{2\left(P_s G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)}$$

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$$\frac{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)X_i}{2\left(P_s G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2}.$$

This concludes the proof, and further we can deduce that  $^{830}$ LL( $P_s, \phi_g$ ) is a quasi-concave function in  $P_s$ .

## APPENDIX H 832 PROOF OF PROPOSITION 4 833

As in Appendix C, first we prove Proposition 4 for  $P_s^t > 0$ , <sup>834</sup> the proof for  $P_s^t = 0$  is then straightforward. It is easy to show <sup>835</sup> that  $\lim_{N\to\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)(X_i - N\sigma^w) > 0$  for  $P_s^t > 0$ . <sup>836</sup> Then, in order to prove the consistency of the estimator in <sup>837</sup> Proposition 4, we need to show that the root of <sup>838</sup>

$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{NG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{2\left(P_s G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)} + \frac{G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)X_i}{2\left(P_s G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2} \quad \text{asso}$$

as  $N \to \infty$  is equal to  $P_s^t$ . Therefore, we have (30), as shown <sup>840</sup> at the top of the next page, We can see that by  $P_s = P_s^t$ , the <sup>841</sup> above equality is valid, and as this equation has a unique root, <sup>842</sup> therefore,  $P_s = P_s^t$ . <sup>843</sup>

In the same way as in the case of consistency, it is <sup>844</sup> easy to show that  $\mathbb{E}(\sum_{i=1}^{M} G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)(X_i - N\sigma^w)) > 0$  <sup>845</sup> for  $P_s^t$ . Hence, to prove that on top of consistency, the <sup>846</sup> estimator is also unbiased, we need to show that the root <sup>847</sup> of  $\mathbb{E}(\sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{NG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{2(P_sG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2)} + \frac{G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)X_i}{2(P_sG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2)})$  is  $P_s^t$ . <sup>848</sup> Considering the fact that  $\mathbb{E}(X_i) = N(P_s^tG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2)$ , <sup>849</sup> we need to find the root of the following equation (31), as <sup>850</sup> shown at the top of the next page, which is clearly  $P_s = P_s^t$ , <sup>851</sup> and this concludes our proof.

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PROOF OF PROPOSITION 5

To prove consistency, first we try to simplify  $_{855}$  $\lim_{N\to\infty} LL(P_s, \phi)$ . This way, we obtain (32), as shown  $_{856}$ 

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{NG(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}{2(P_{s}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})} = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})X_{i}}{2(P_{s}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})^{2}} \\
= \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})(P_{s}^{t}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})\sum_{n=1}^{N}s^{2}[n] + \sum_{n=1}^{N}w^{2}[n] + \sum_{n=1}^{N}\sqrt{P_{s}^{t}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}\phi^{t}w[n])}{2(P_{s}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})^{2}} \\
= \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{NG(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})(P_{s}^{t}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})}{2(P_{s}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})^{2}} + \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})(\sum_{n=1}^{N}\sqrt{P_{s}^{t}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}\phi^{t}w[n])}{2(P_{s}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})^{2}} \\
= \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{NG(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})(P_{s}^{t}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})}{2(P_{s}G(\phi_{g}, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2})^{2}}.$$
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$$\mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{NG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{2\left(P_s G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)} + \frac{NG(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i)\left(P_s^t G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)}{2\left(P_s G(\phi_g, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2}\right),\tag{31}$$

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} LL(P_s, \phi) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{N}{2} \log \left( 2\pi \left[ P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2 \right] \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} x_i^2[n]}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \\ = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{N}{2} \log \left( 2\pi \left[ P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2 \right] \right) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{N(P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2},$$
(32)

$$\mathbb{E}(LL(P_{s},\phi)) = \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{N}{2}\log\left(2\pi\left[P_{s}G(\phi,\theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}\right]\right) - \frac{1}{2}\frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N}x_{i}^{2}[n]}{P_{s}G(\phi,\theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}}\right) \\ = \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{M} -\frac{N}{2}\log\left(2\pi\left[P_{s}G(\phi,\theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}\right]\right) - \frac{N}{2}\frac{P_{s}^{t}G(\phi^{t},\theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}}{P_{s}G(\phi,\theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}}\right).$$
(34)

<sup>857</sup> at the top of this page, where we used the fact that <sup>858</sup>  $\lim_{N\to\infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_i^2[n] = P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2$ . Our goal is <sup>859</sup> to maximize (32). Defining  $A_i = P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2$  and  $\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P} \frac{\partial LL}{\partial P}\right) = \frac{N}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \left(\frac{G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)}{P(G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2)}\right)$ 860  $A_i^t = P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2$ , the underlying problem becomes

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$$\max_{\substack{A_i \\ i=1,\dots,M}} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( -\frac{N}{2} \left( 2\pi A_i \right) - \frac{N}{2} \frac{A_i^t}{A_i} \right).$$
(33)

<sup>862</sup> It is easy to show that the solution of this equation is  $\forall i : A_i =$ <sup>863</sup>  $A_i^t$ , which in turn means  $\forall i : P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) = P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i)$ . Since the problem is assumed to be identifiable, we obtain  $P_s = P_s^t$ and  $\phi = \phi^t$ .

As in the case of consistency, to prove that the estima-866 <sup>867</sup> tor is unbiased, first we obtain  $\mathbb{E}(LL(P_s, \phi))$  as follows, 868 (34), as shown at the top of this page, Again with chang-<sup>869</sup> ing the variables to  $A_i = P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2$  and  $A_i^t =$ <sup>870</sup>  $P_s^t G(\phi^t, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2$ , we can easily show that  $\forall i : A_i = A_i^t$ <sup>871</sup> maximizes  $\mathbb{E}(LL(A_i))$ , which in the same way as consistency, <sup>872</sup> we can deduce  $P_s = P_s^t$  and  $\phi = \phi^t$ . And this concludes our 873 proof.

#### APPENDIX J 874 **PROOF OF THEOREM 5** 875

As in the case of Theorem 3, here again we need to calcu-876 877 late the Fisher Information Matrix, F. After some calculations,

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\right) = \frac{N}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{M} \left(\frac{G(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i)}{P_s G(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2}\right)^2, \quad (35) \text{ step}$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\right) = \frac{N}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{M} \left(\frac{P_sh(d_i)G'(\phi,\theta_i)}{P_sG(\phi,\theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2}\right)^2,$$
(211.211)

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\right) = \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial LL}{\partial \phi}\frac{\partial LL}{\partial P_s}\right) \tag{36} \text{ set}$$

$$= \frac{N}{2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{P_{s}h^{2}(d_{i})G(\phi,\theta_{i})G'(\phi,\theta_{i})}{\left(P_{s}G(\phi,\theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}\right)^{2}} \right).$$
(37) 882

Calculating  $\mathbf{F}^{-1}$ , we obtain (38), as shown at the top of the  $_{883}$ next page, with 884

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{P_s h(d_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2$$

$$\times \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i)h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2, \quad \text{sse}$$

and

$$\mathcal{B} = \frac{N^2}{4} \bigg( \sum_{i=1}^M \frac{P_s h^2(d_i) G(\phi, \theta_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{\left(P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2} \bigg)^2.$$

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$$\mathbf{F}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{P_s h(d_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2 & -\frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{P_s h^2(d_i) G(\phi, \theta_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{\left(P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2} \\ -\frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{P_s h^2(d_i) G(\phi, \theta_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{\left(P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2\right)^2} & \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right)^2 \end{bmatrix},$$
(38)

<sup>889</sup> By deriving the trace of  $\mathbf{F}^{-1}$ , we can easily obtain CRB( $P_s, \phi$ ) 890 for the unknown signal by

<sup>891</sup> CRB(
$$P_{s}, \phi$$
) =  $\frac{1}{\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}} \left[ \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{P_{s}h(d_{i})G'(\phi, \theta_{i})}{P_{s}G(\phi, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}} \right)^{2} + \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{G(\phi, \theta_{i})h(d_{i})}{P_{s}G(\phi, \theta_{i})h(d_{i}) + \sigma_{w}^{2}} \right)^{2} \right],$ 
<sup>892</sup> (39)

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<sup>894</sup> The individual CRB for  $P_s$  and  $\phi$  are then given by

 $\operatorname{CRB}(P_s) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}} \left[ \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \left( \frac{P_s h(d_i) G'(\phi, \theta_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \right) \right],$ 895

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$$^{\text{897}} \quad \text{CRB}(\phi) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}} \bigg[ \frac{N}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \bigg( \frac{G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i)}{P_s G(\phi, \theta_i) h(d_i) + \sigma_w^2} \bigg)^2 \bigg],$$

898 which concludes our proof.

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