

Ellipsoidal Bounds for Static Response of Uncertain Trusses by using Semidefinite Programming

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$\tilde{\mathbf{a}}, \tilde{\mathbf{f}}$

nominal

ζ_a, ζ_f

unknown-but-bounded

$a^0, f^0 > 0$

coefficients ('magnitudes' of uncertainties)

$\mathcal{Z}_a, \mathcal{Z}_f$

(given) closed sets

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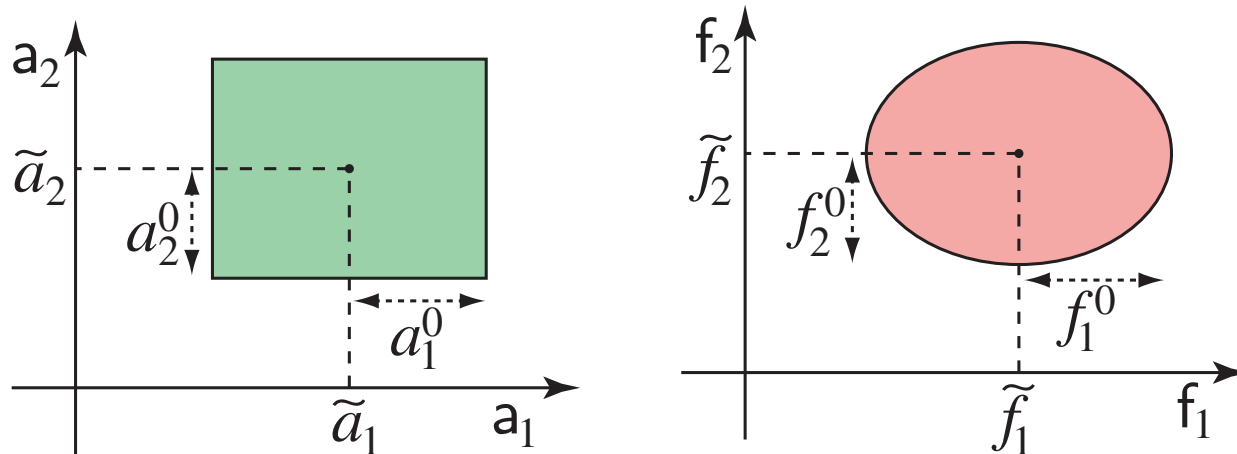
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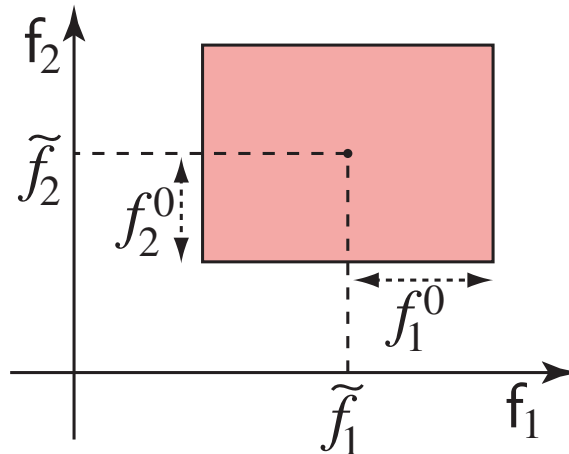
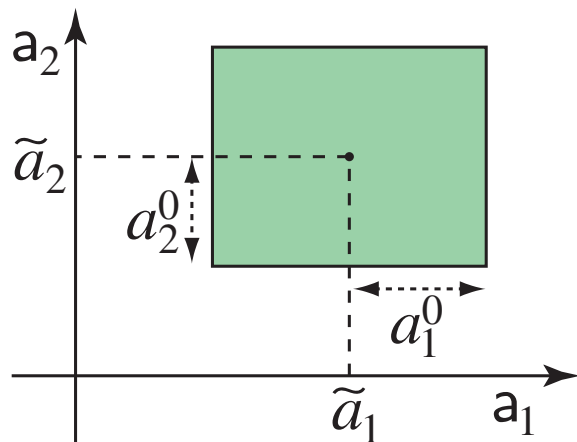
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≡ “interval
analysis”

bounding ellipsoid

n -dimensional ellipsoid

$$\mathbf{x} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{z}, \quad 1 \geq \|\mathbf{z}\|_2$$

$\hat{\mathbf{x}}$: center

$\mathbf{P} := \mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}^T$: symmetry, positive semidefinite

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{P}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}) = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n : \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P} & (\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}) \\ (\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}})^T & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ is p.s.d.} \right\}$$

'size' of $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{P}, \hat{\mathbf{x}})$

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{P}) \quad : \quad \sum (\text{semi-axis length})^2$$

min. bounding ellipsoid

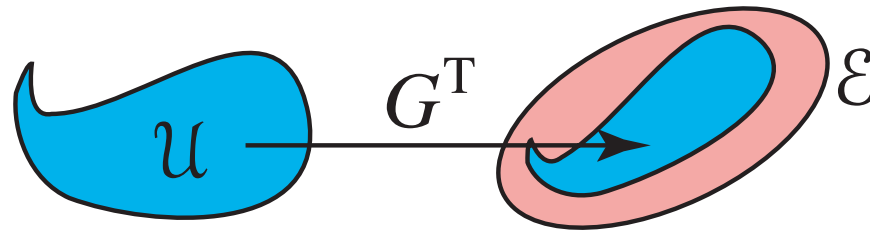
def. of 'bounding ellipsoid'

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{P}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}) \supseteq \{ \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{u} \mid \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{U} \}$$



\mathcal{U} : set of \mathbf{u} solving uncertain equilibrium eqtn.

$\mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{u}$: static response (to be estimated)



to find 'tight' bound

$$\min_{\mathbf{P}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}} \{ \text{tr}(\mathbf{P}) : (\clubsuit) \}$$

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• in the form of Farkas lemma

(a)': the system $f_1(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0, \dots, f_m(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0, g(\mathbf{x}) < 0$
is not solvable

SDP formulation

$$\mathcal{E}(P, \hat{x}) \supseteq \{G^T u \mid u \in \mathcal{U}\}$$



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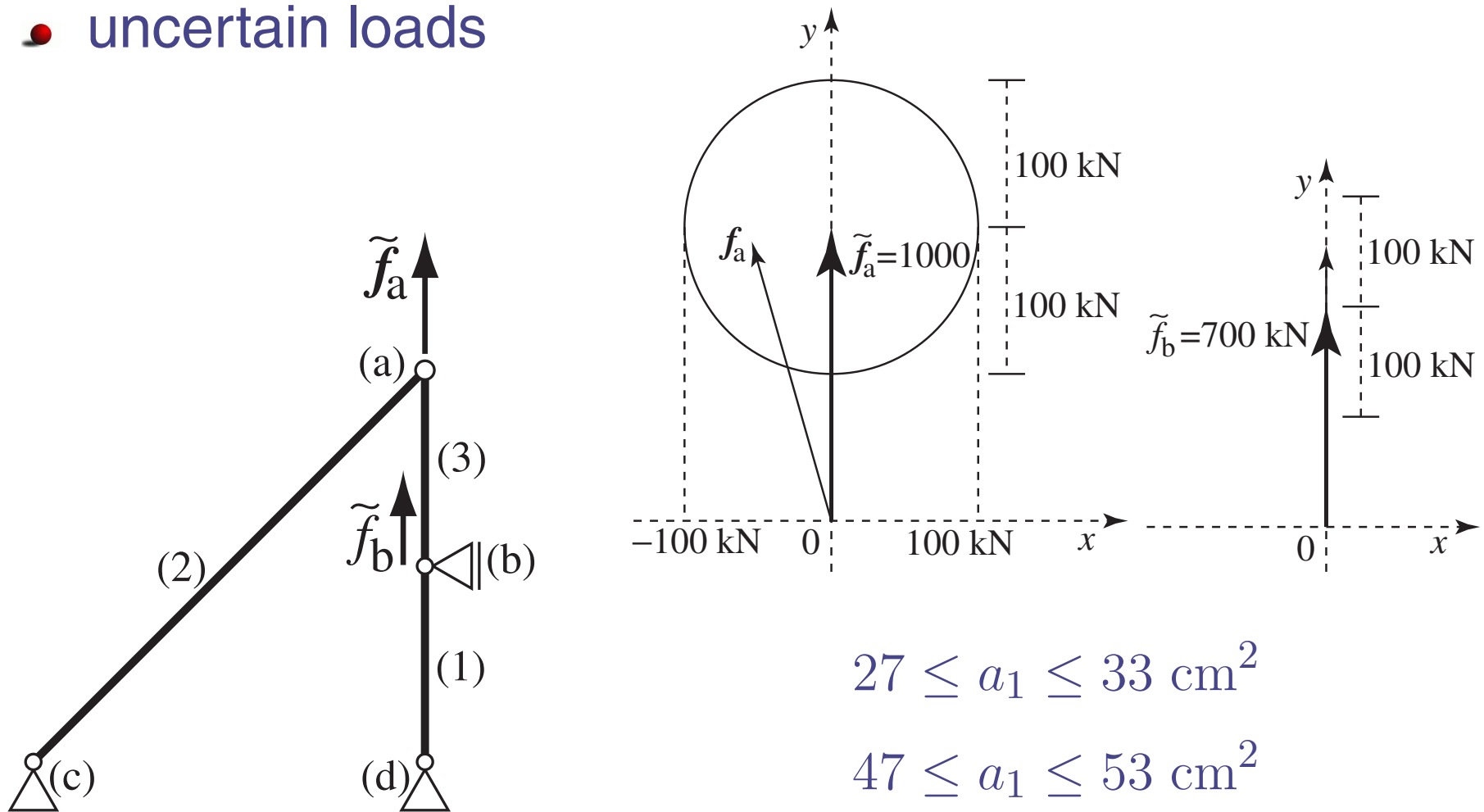
semidefinite programming (SDP) relaxation

$$\min_{\mathbf{P}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \rho} \{\text{tr}(\mathbf{P}) : \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{P}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}, \rho) \text{ is p.s.d.}, \rho \geq 0\}$$

- convex optimization
- can be solved effectively (in polynomial time)
 - primal-dual interior-point method

example (3-bar truss)

- uncertain stiffnesses
- uncertain loads



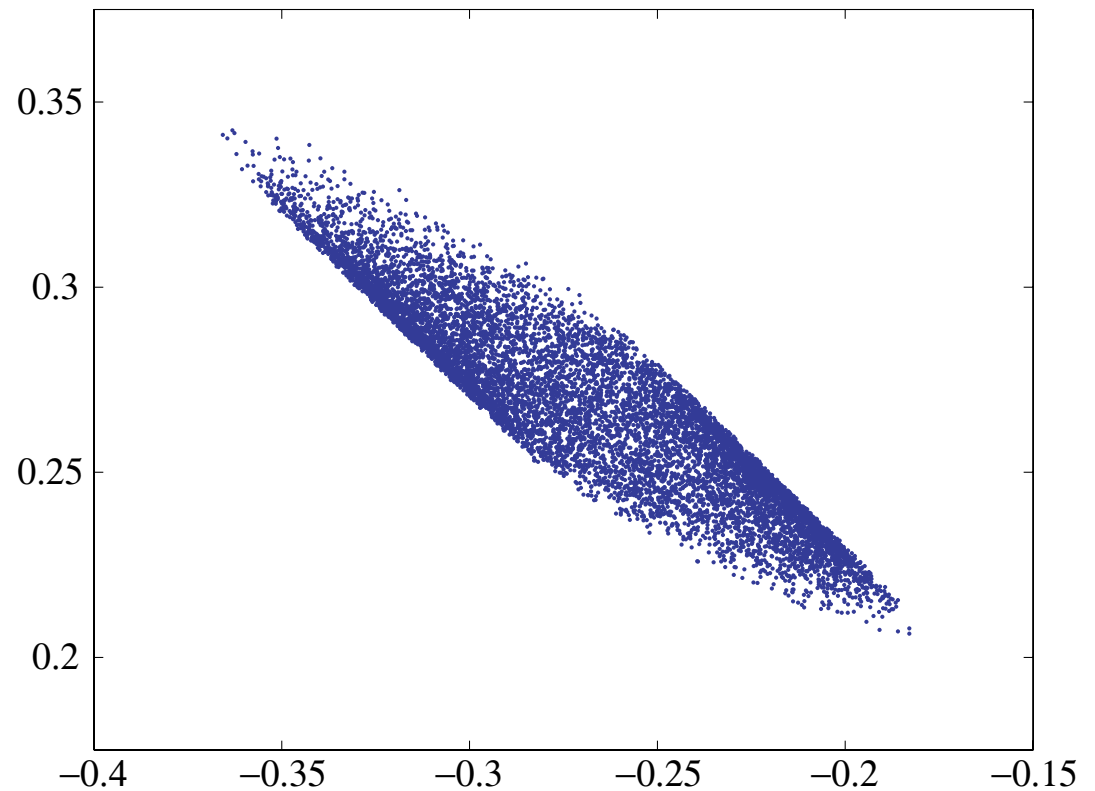
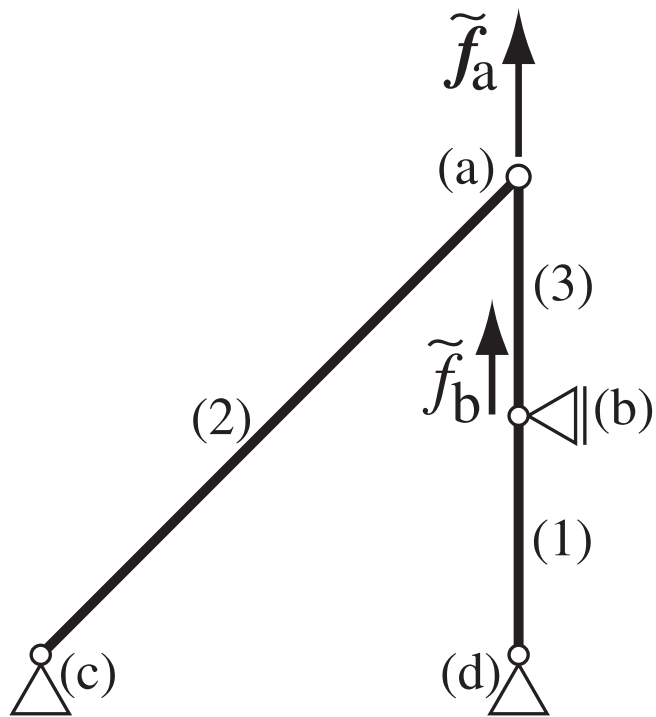
$$27 \leq a_1 \leq 33 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$47 \leq a_1 \leq 53 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$17 \leq a_1 \leq 23 \text{ cm}^2$$

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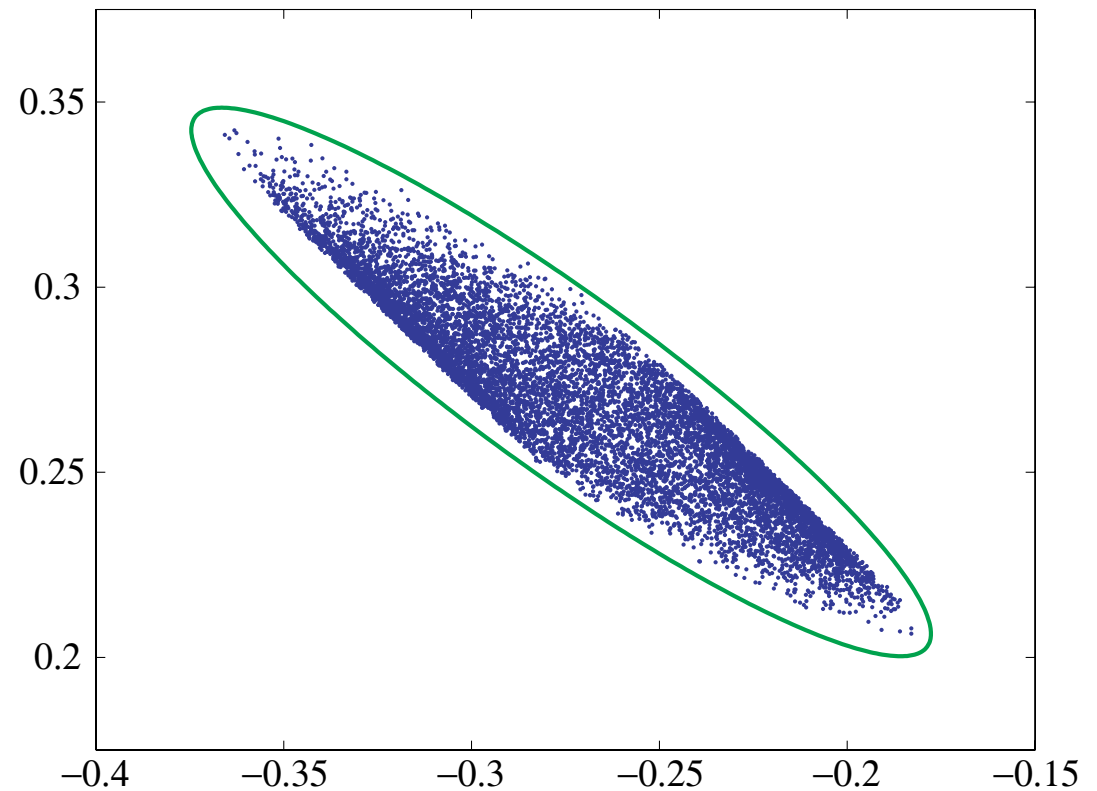
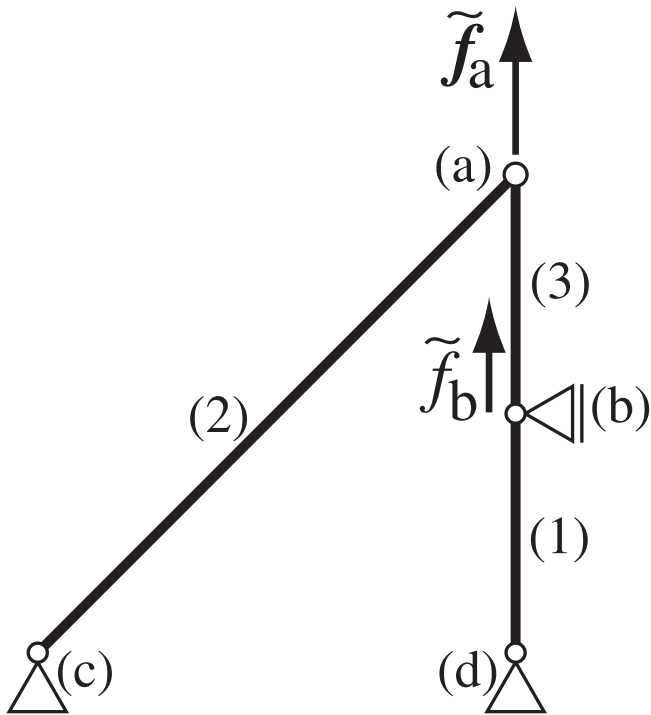
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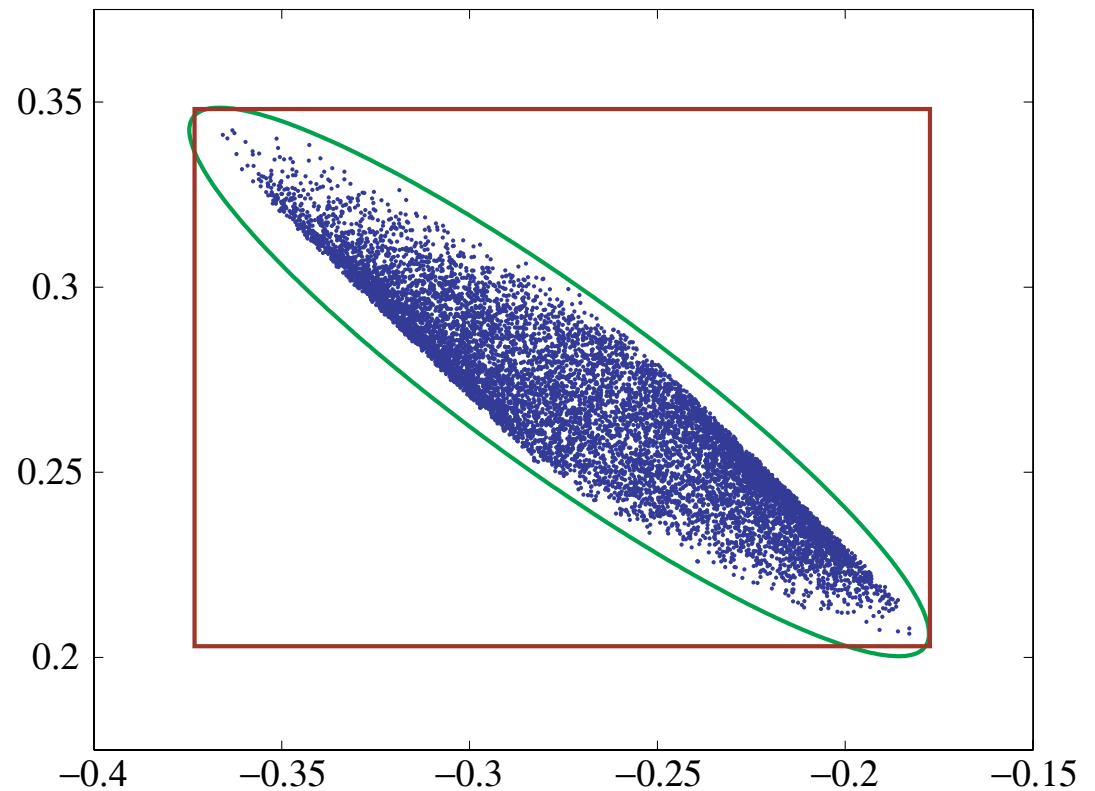
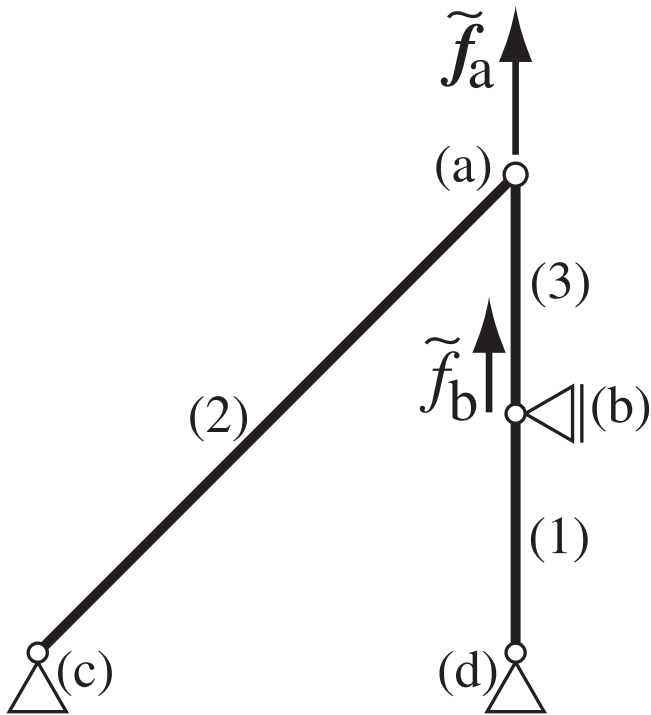
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bounding ellipsoid for u_a

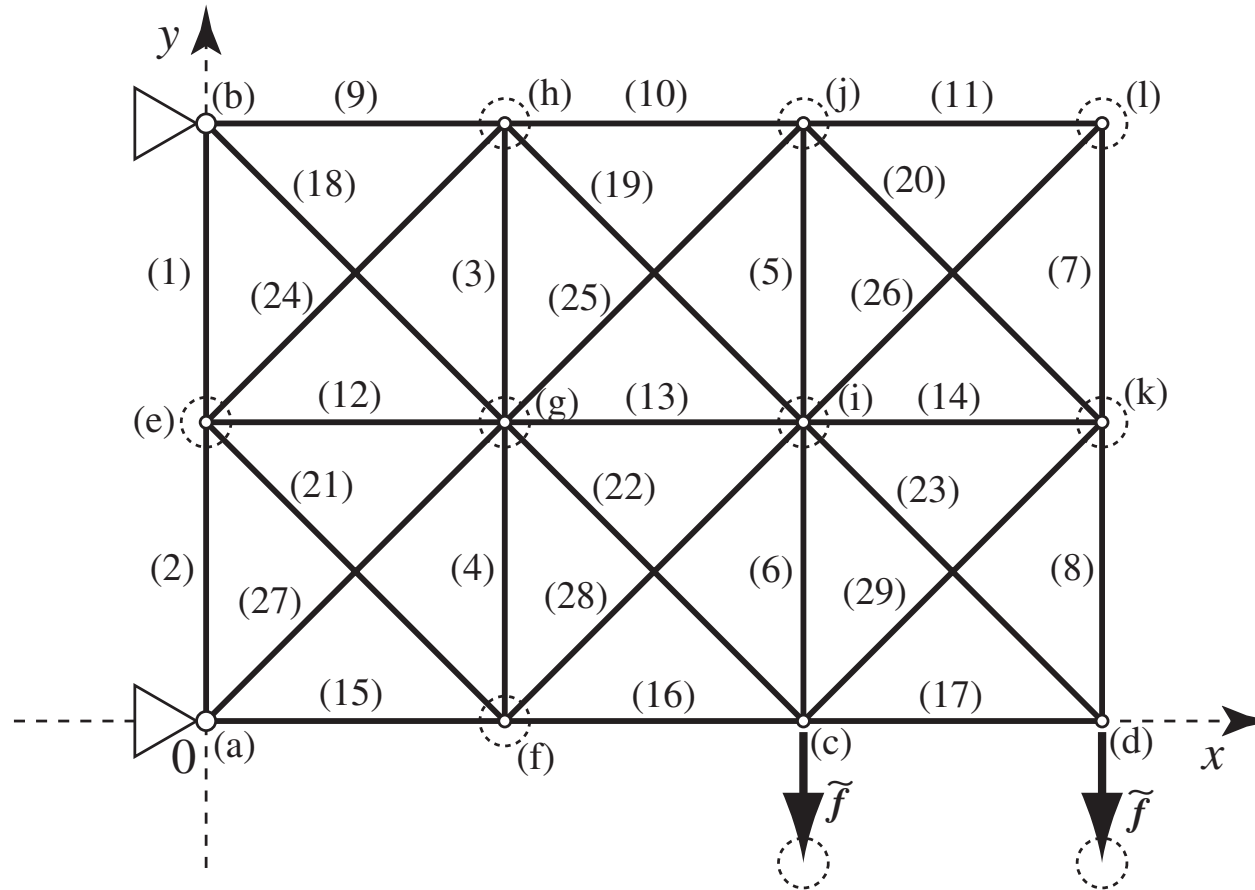
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bounding box for u_a

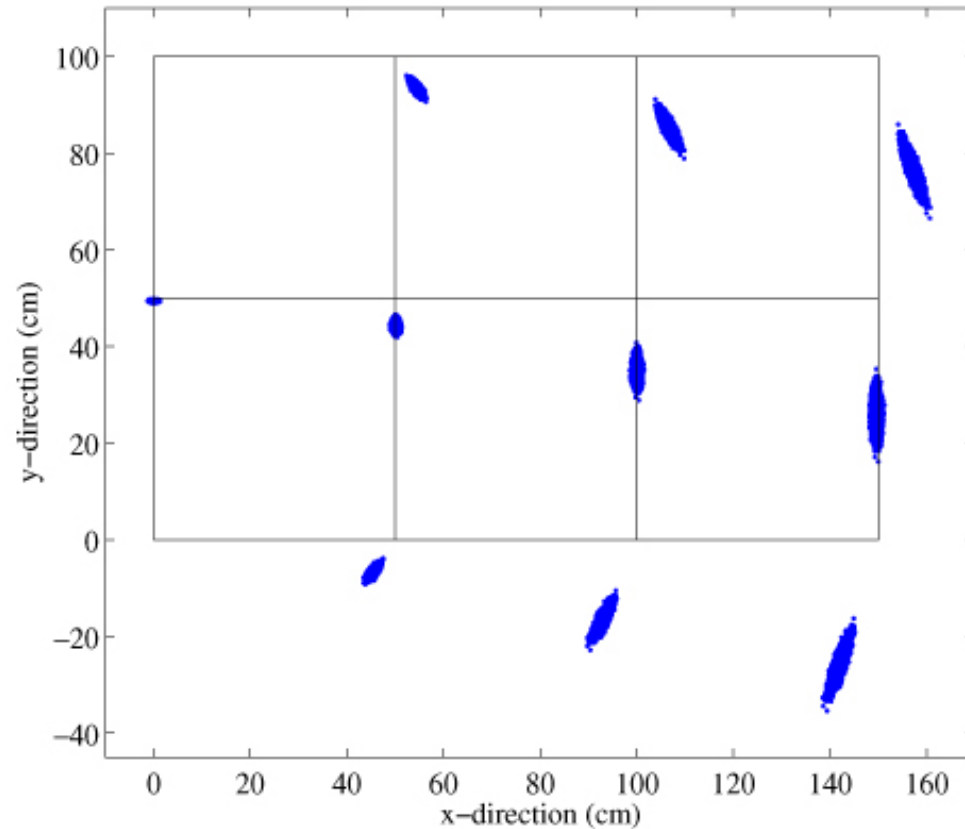
example (29-bar truss)



- nominal load : $\tilde{f} = 1000 \text{ kN}$
- uncertain load : $\|f^0 \zeta_f\| \leq 100 \text{ kN}, \quad \forall \text{ node}$
- uncertainty of stiffness : $9.0 \leq a_i \leq 11.0 \text{ cm}^2$

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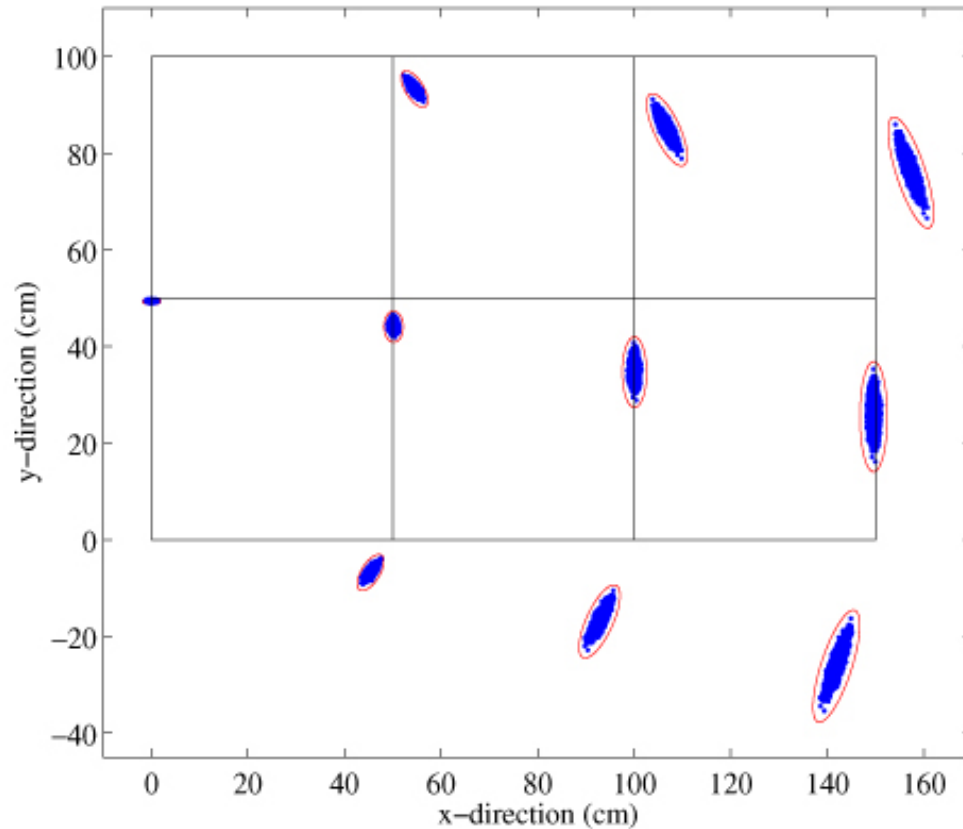
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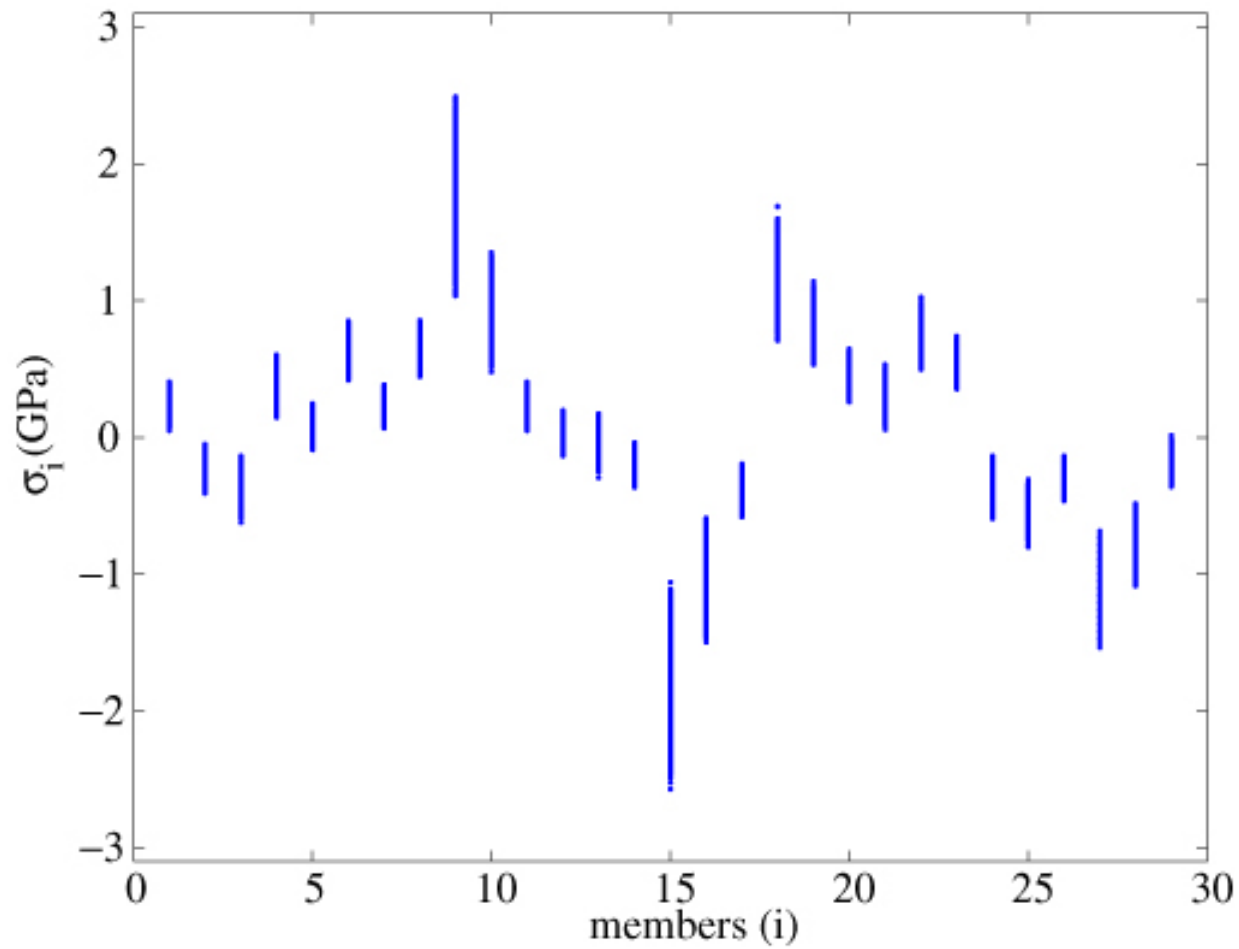
- distribution of u — bounding ellipsoids



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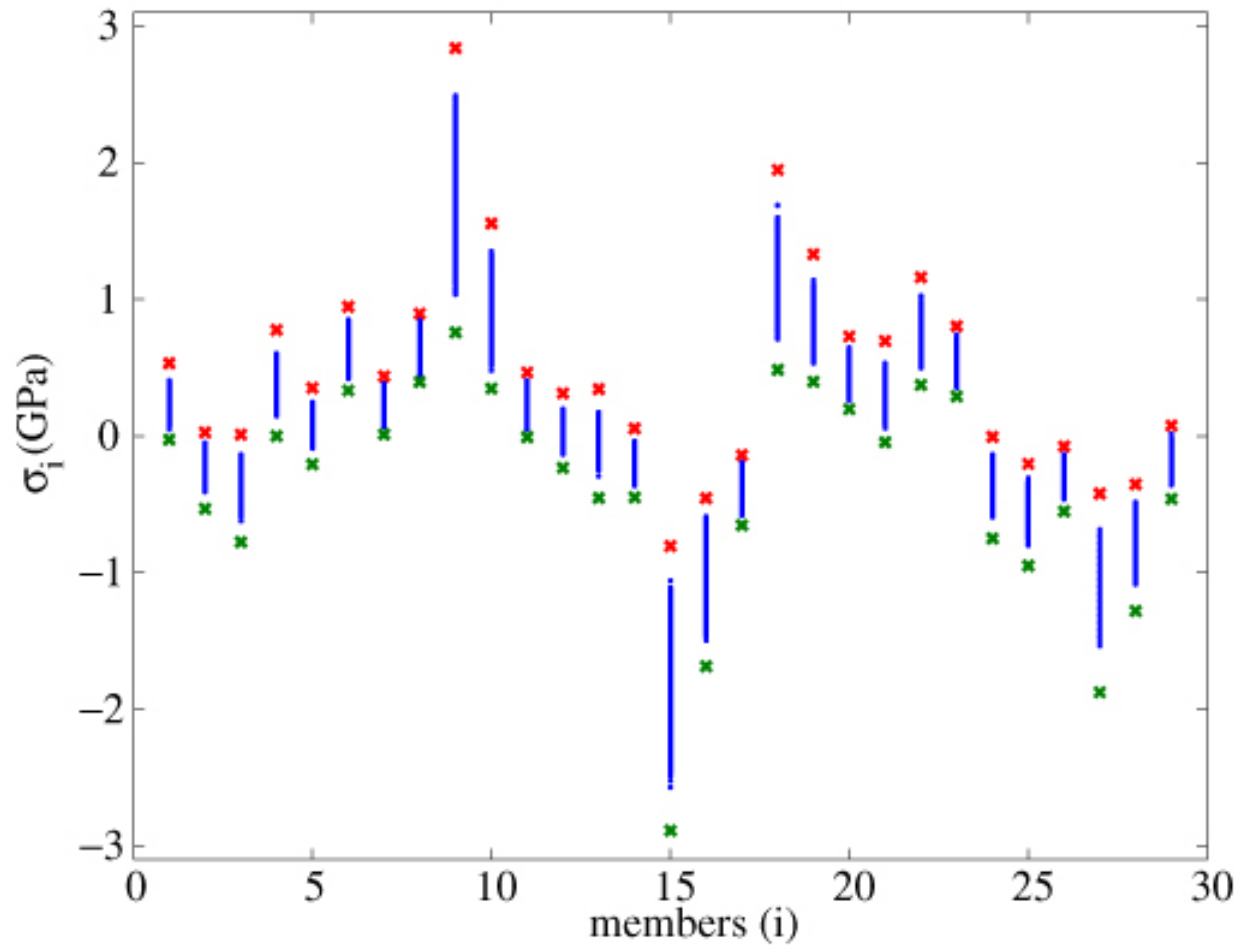
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- distribution of stresses — bounding intervals



conclusions

- uncertainty of trusses
 - uncertain stiffness & uncertain load
 - non-stochastic uncertainty
 - bounding ellipsoid of static response
- ellipsoidal bound
 - finding min. bounding ellipsoid
 - semidefinite programming relaxation
 - conservative approximation