

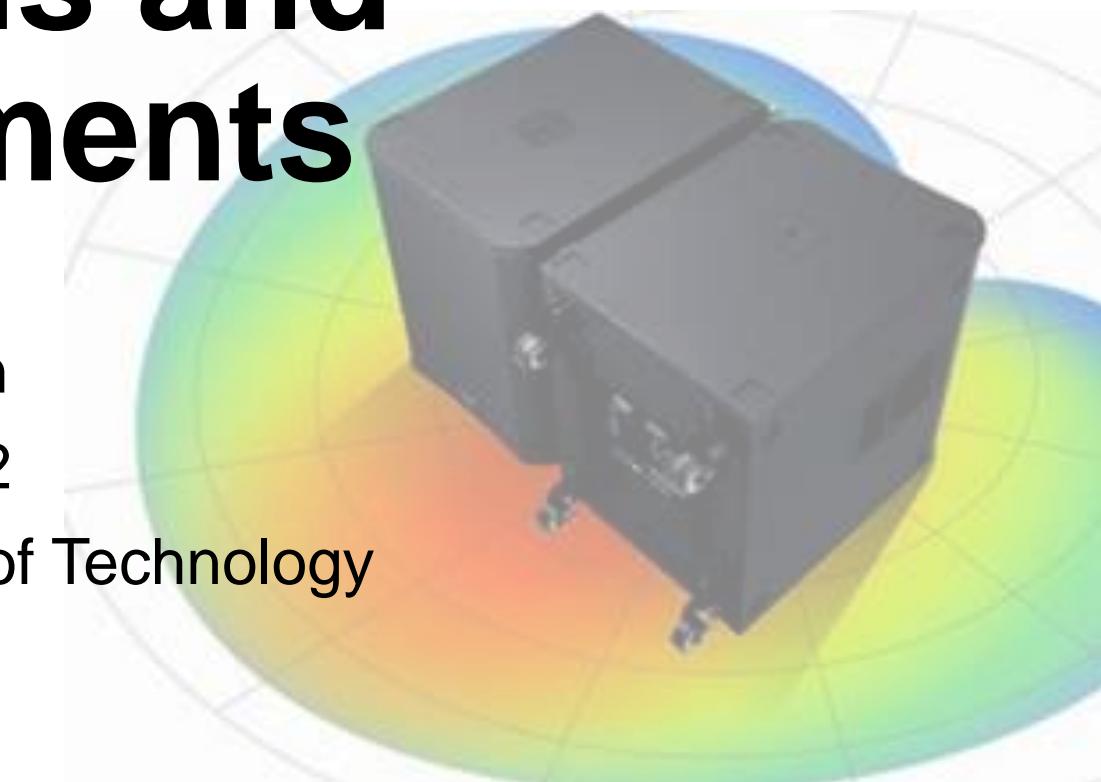


Subwoofer Array Configurations: Projections and Measurements

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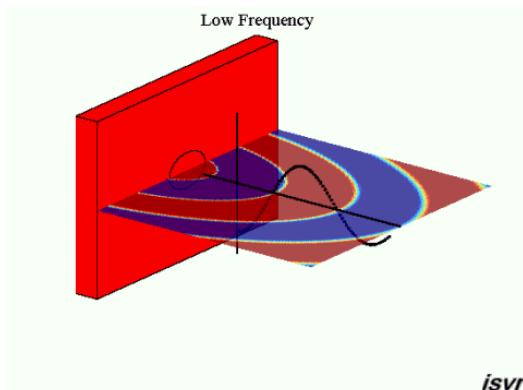
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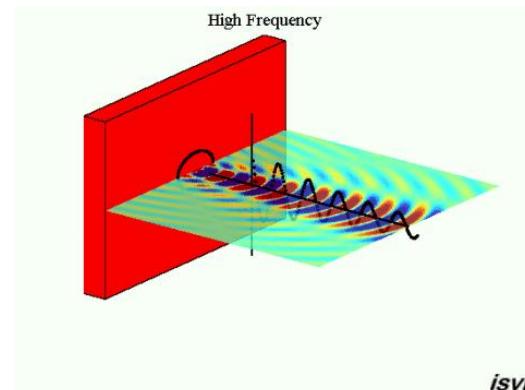


Subwoofer Array?

- Low frequency producing loudspeakers
(frequency range 30 – 100 Hz)
- Longer wavelength radiates in more dispersed pattern
40 Hz – 28.3 ft ; 5 kHz – 0.22 ft
- Multiple sources of sound waves interfere constructively and destructively



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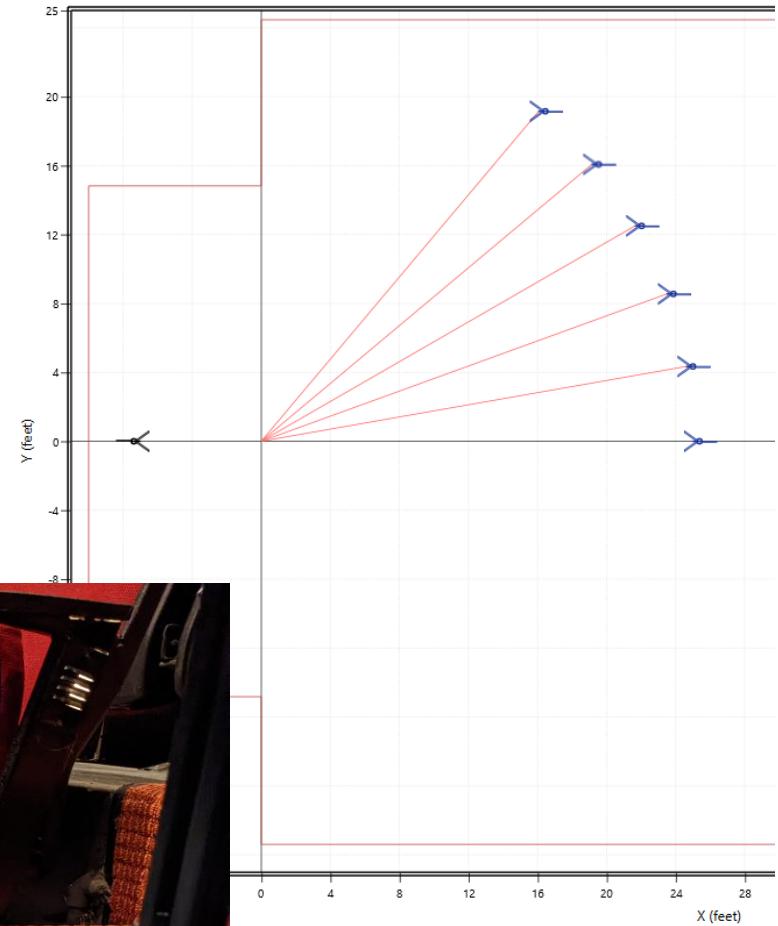
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Fundamental Arrays

- Endfire
- Gradient
- Stacked Cardioid

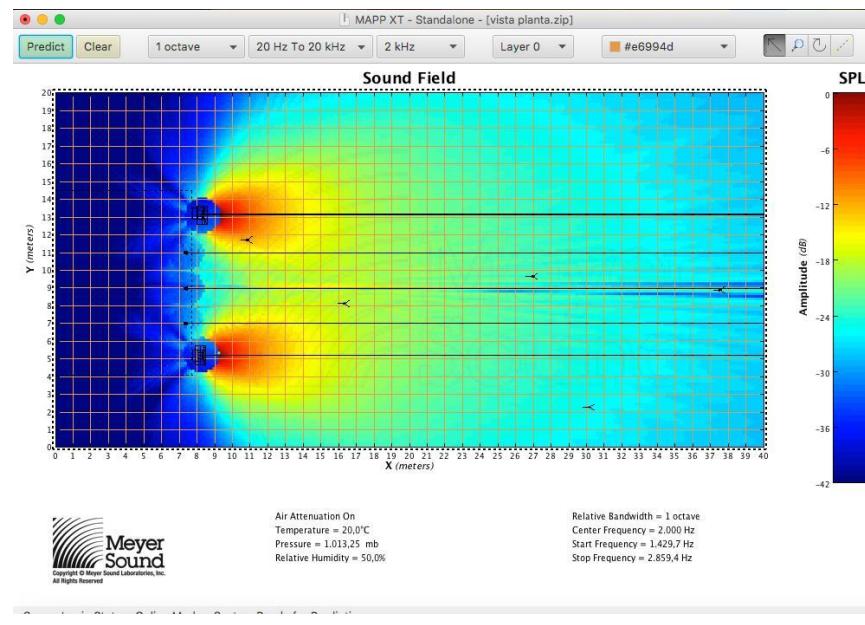
Measurement

- 7 Microphones
 - 0°, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50° array @ 25'
 - 180° @ 7'
- Frequency Response
- Phase Response

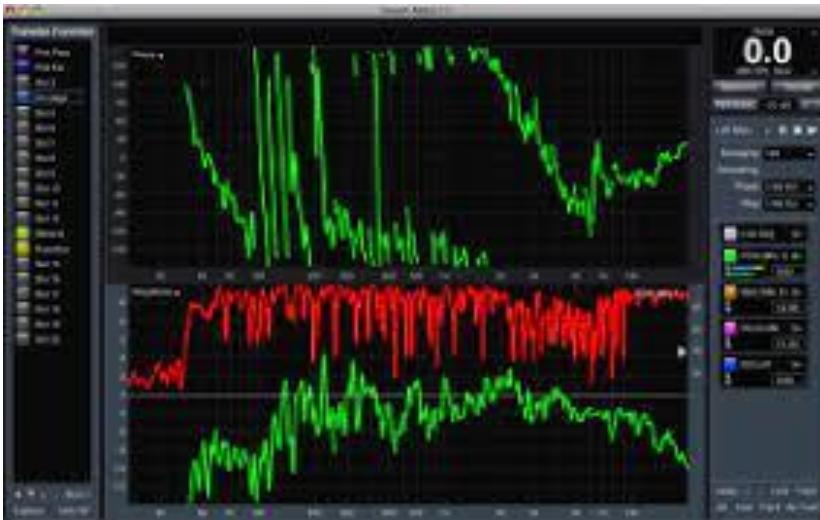


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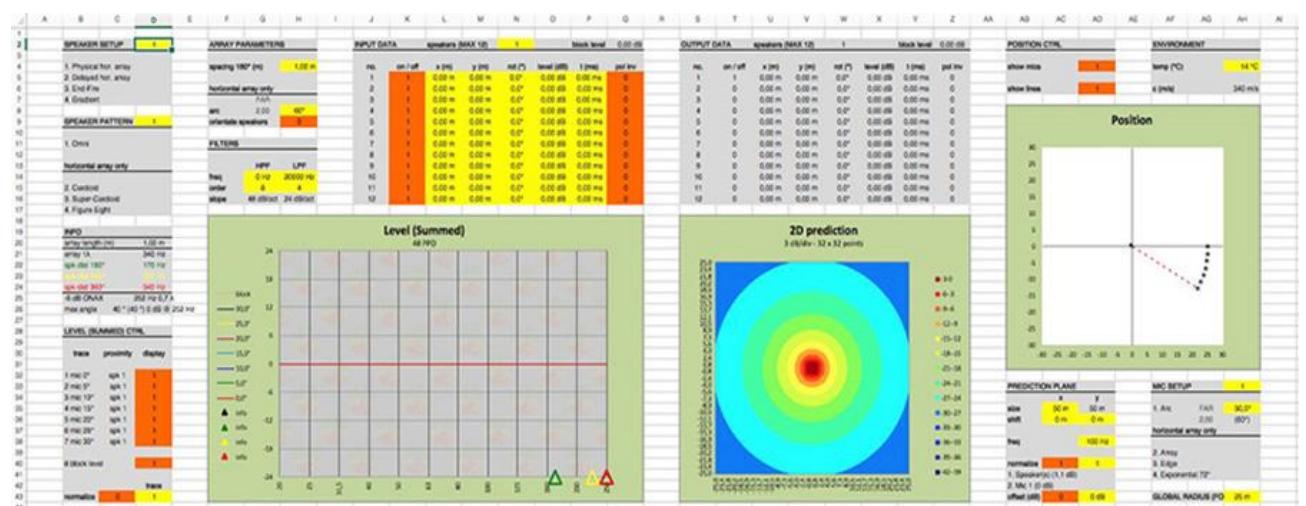
- MAPP XT – Meyer Sound
- S.A.D. (Subwoofer Array Designer) - Merlijn van Veen
- Smaart – Rational Acoustics



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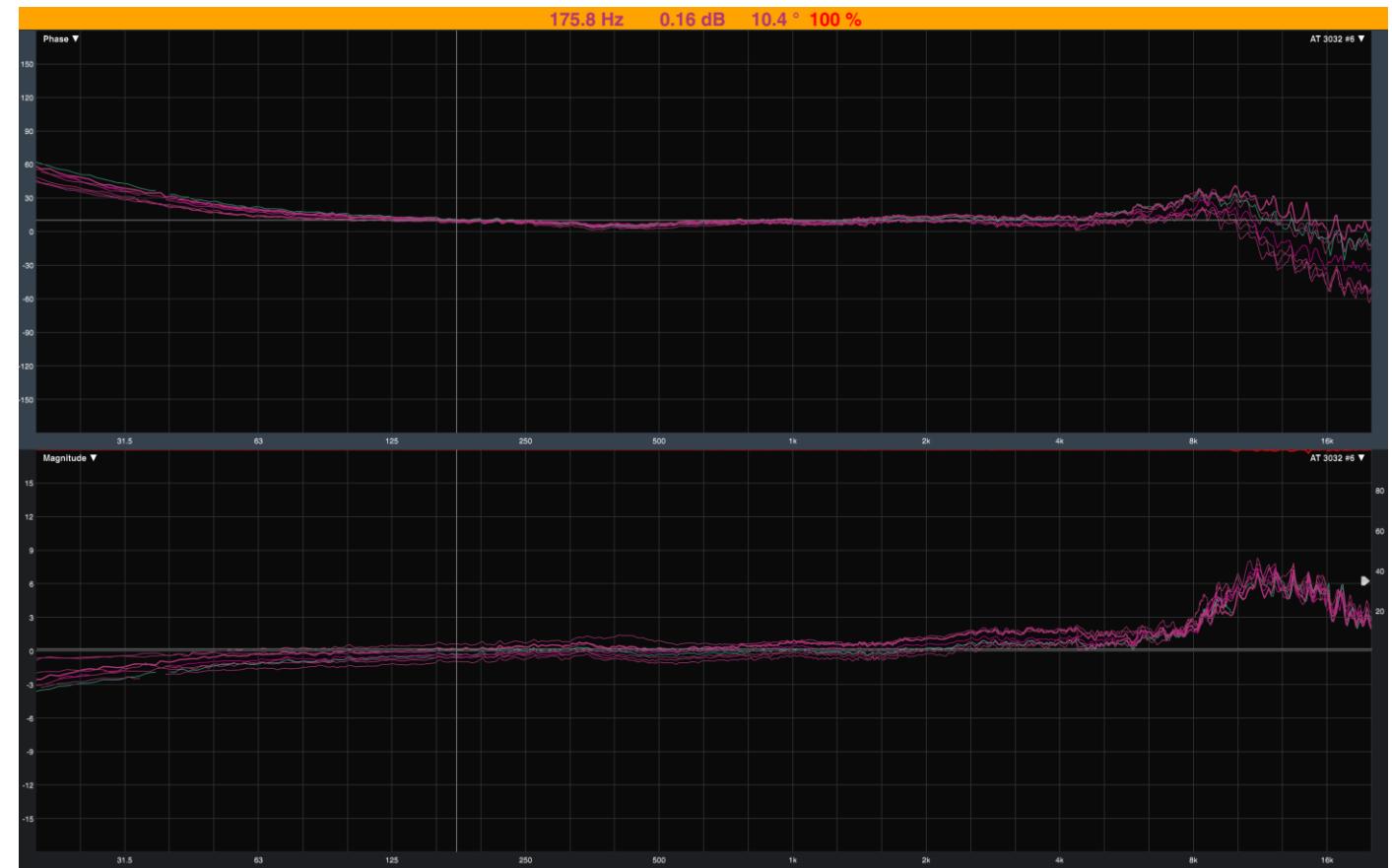
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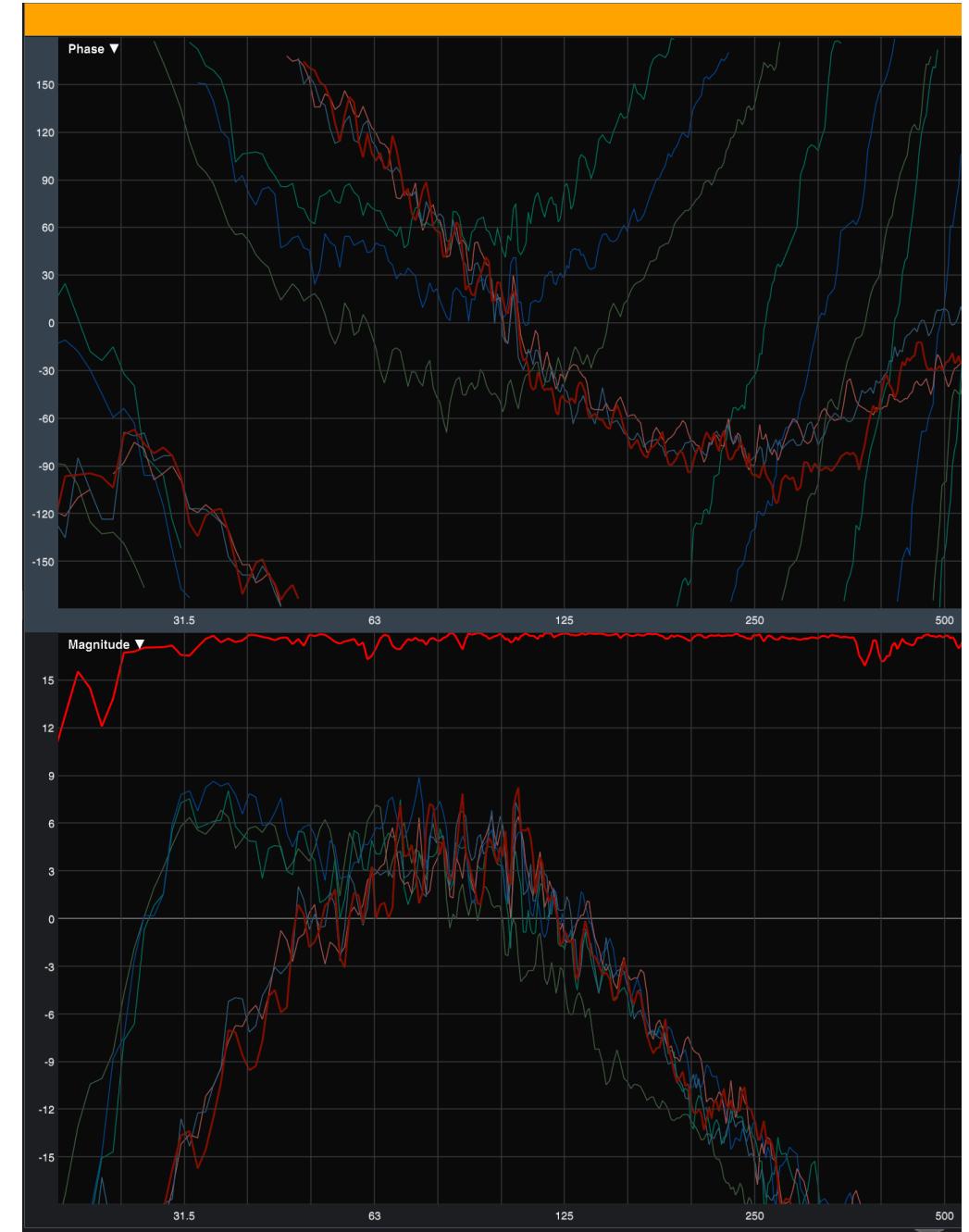
Microphone Calibration

- 7 x AT-3032
Maximum 17.6° phase offset
2.89 dB at 20.5 Hz



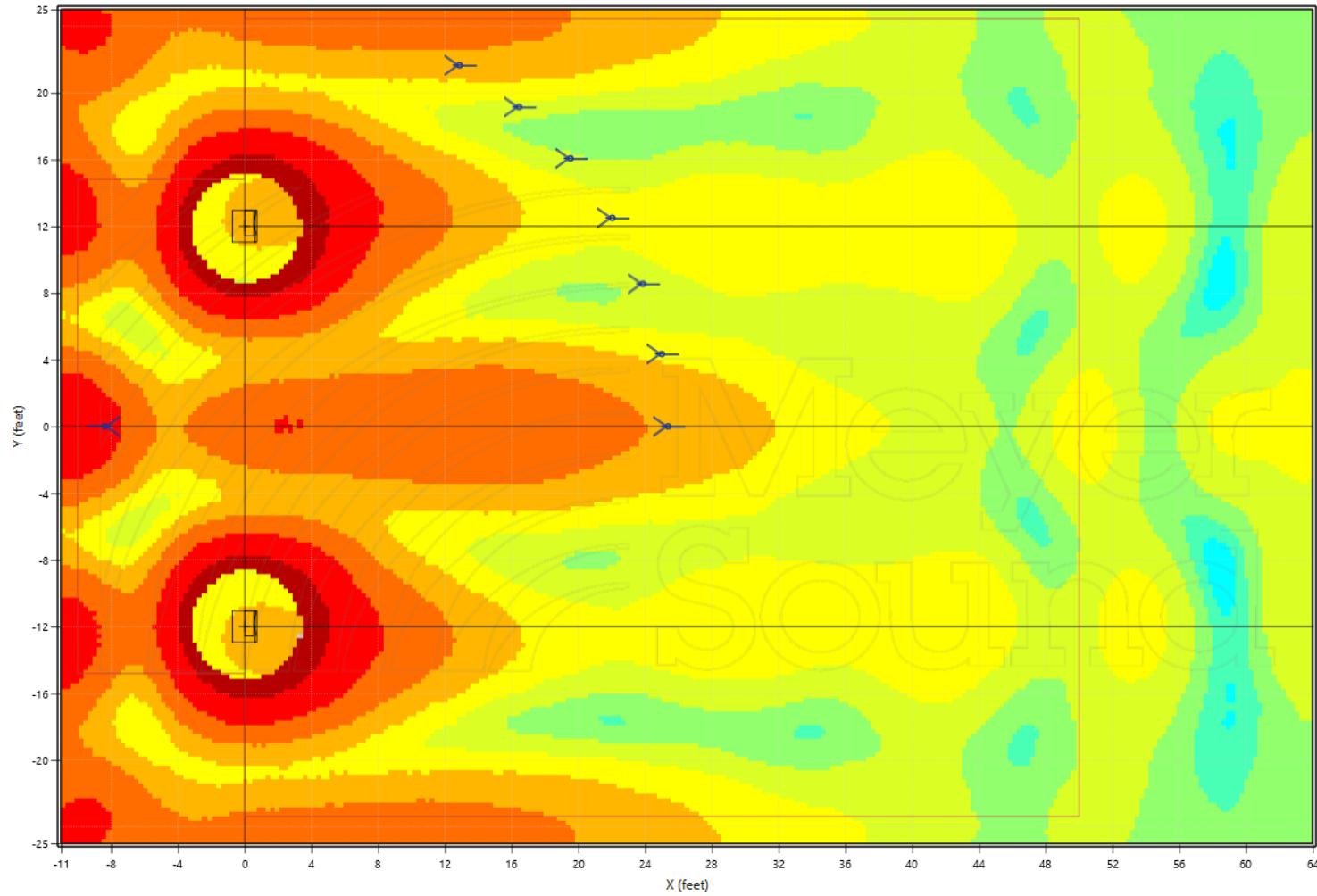
Speaker Calibration

- 1 x Meyer 650-P 
- 2 x Meyer UMS-1P  
- 3 x EAW SB120iXR   

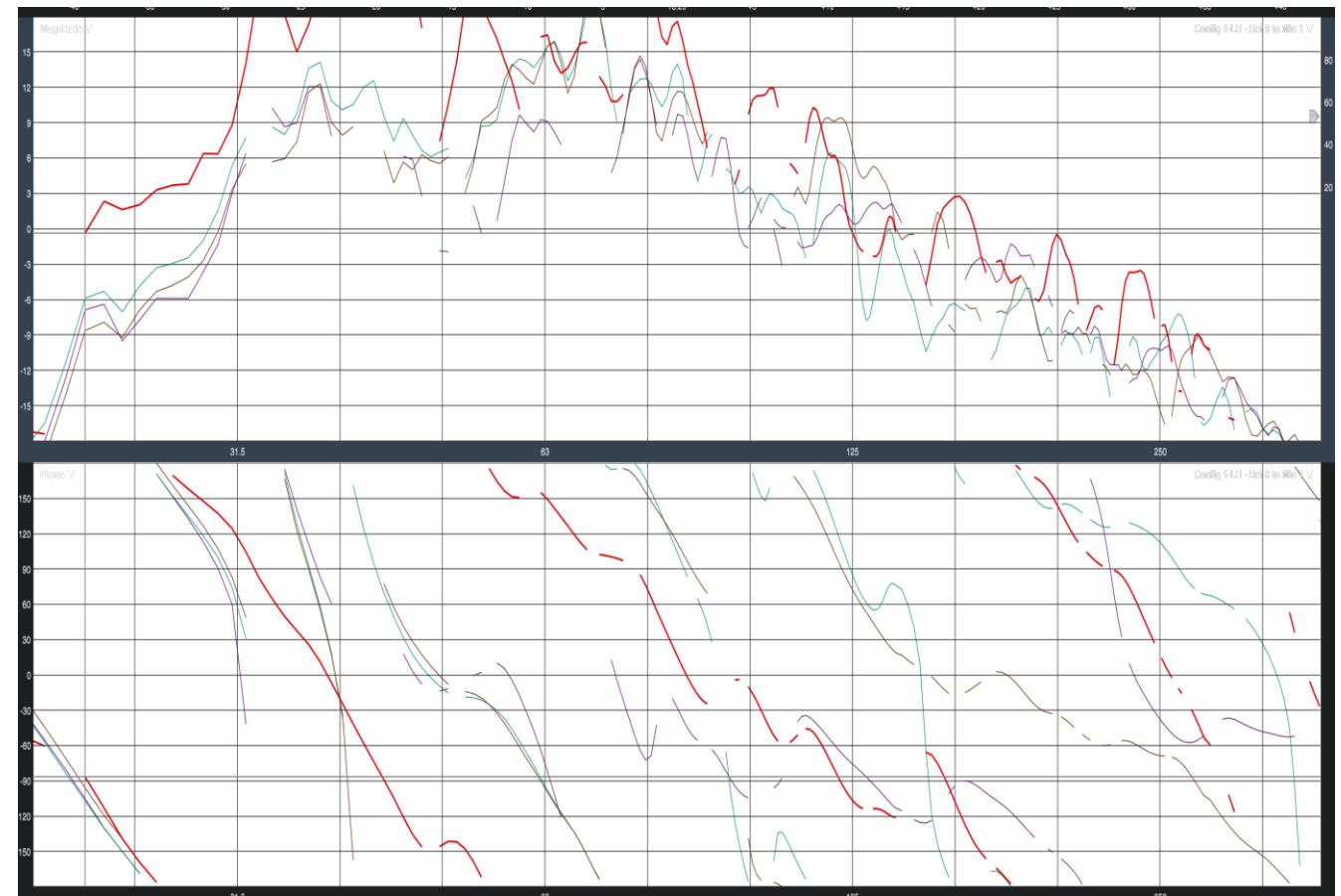
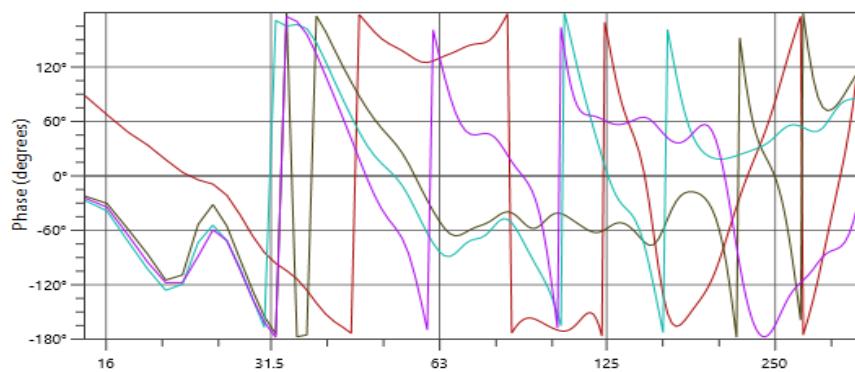
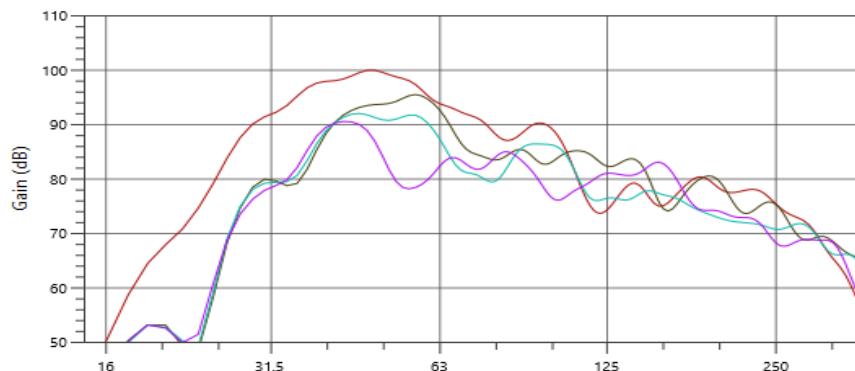


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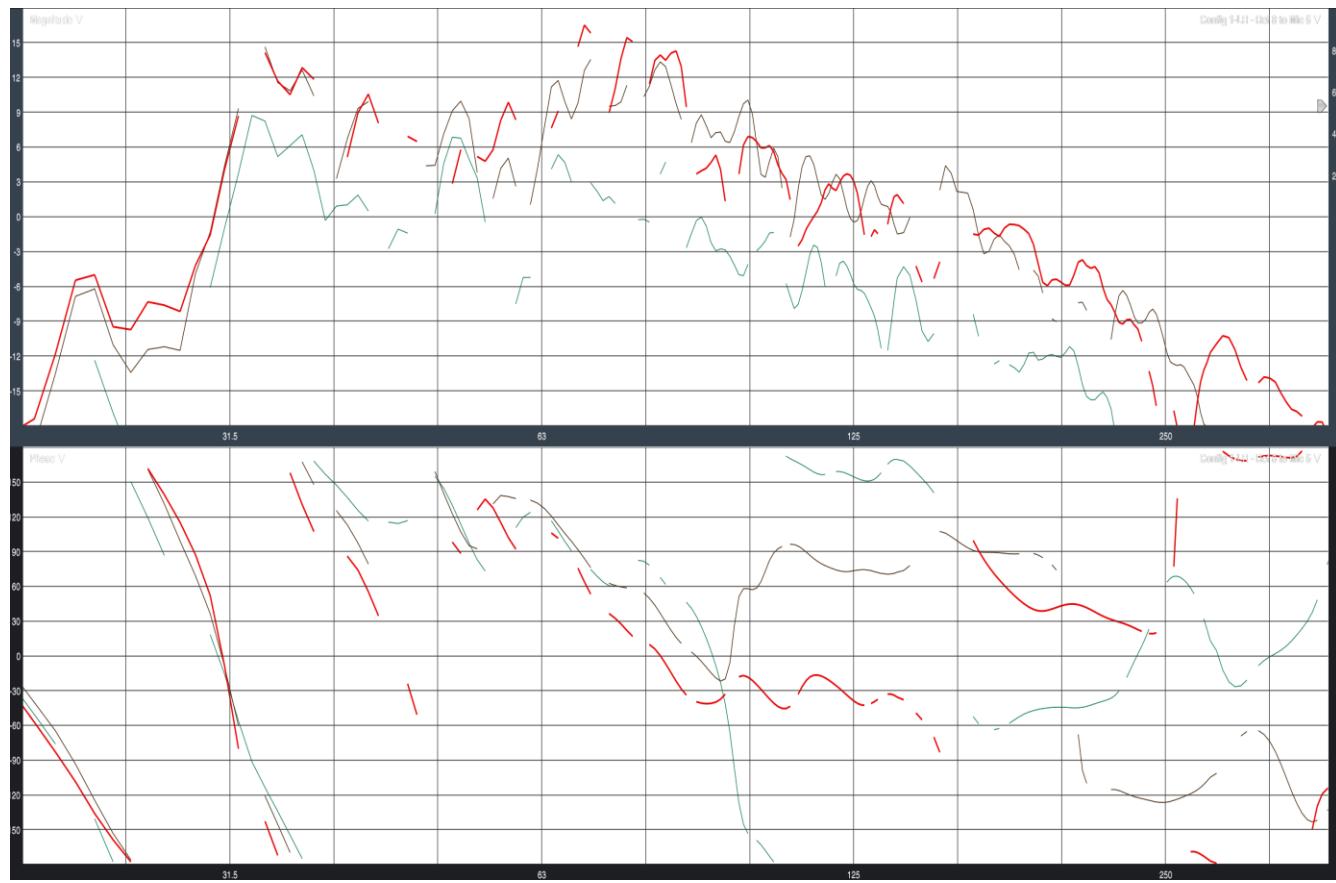
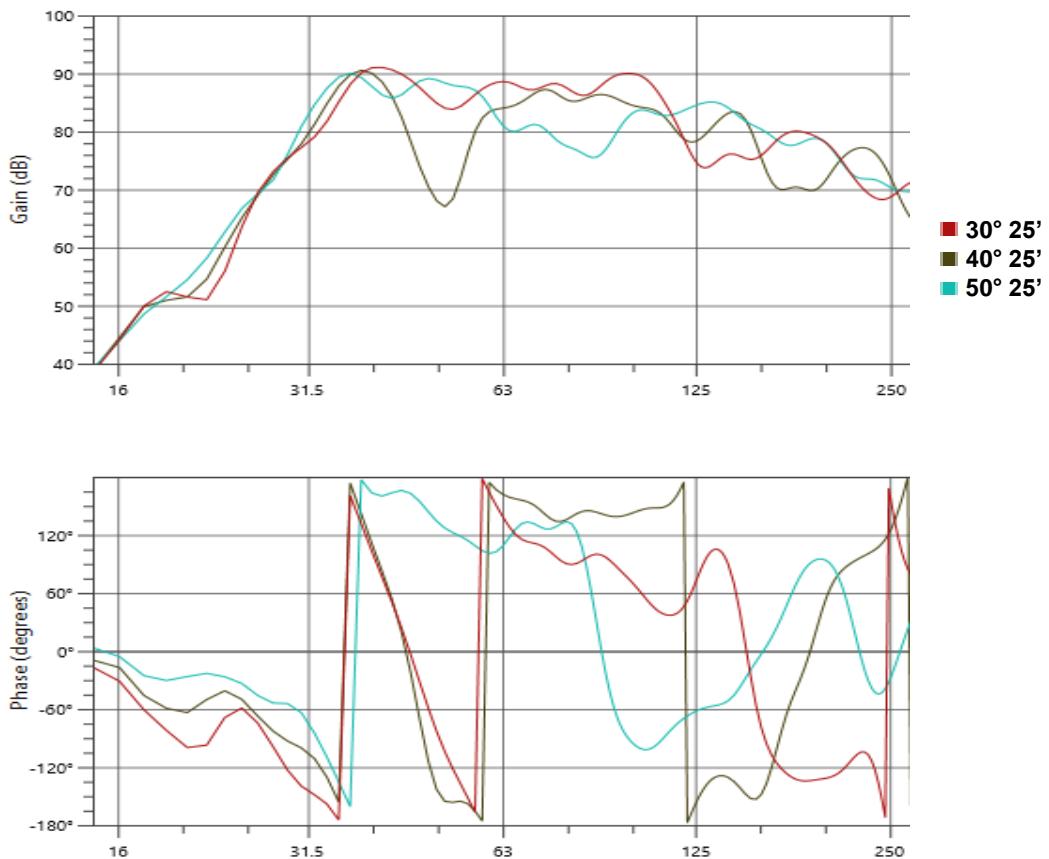
- 2 x UMS-1P spaced 24'



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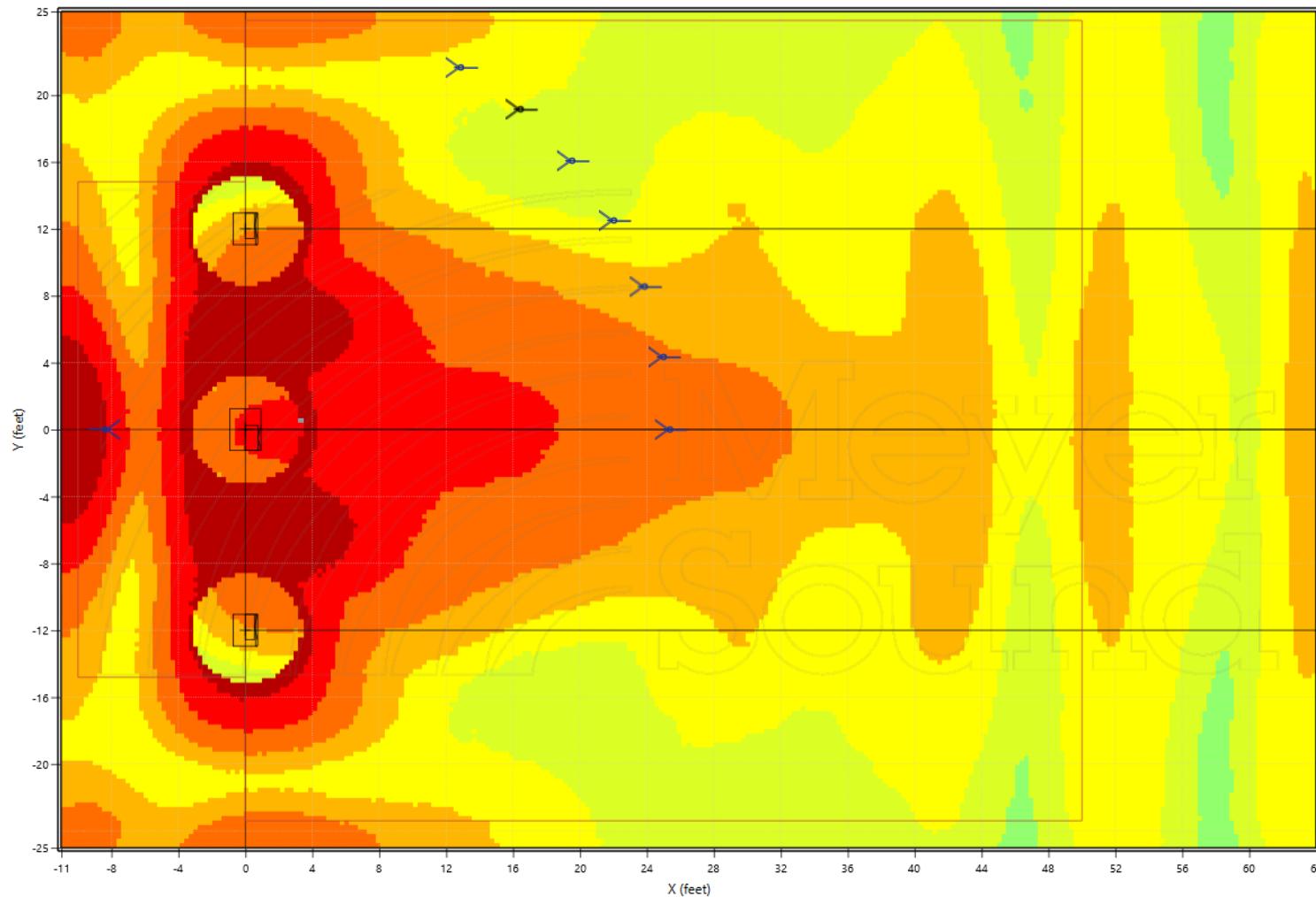


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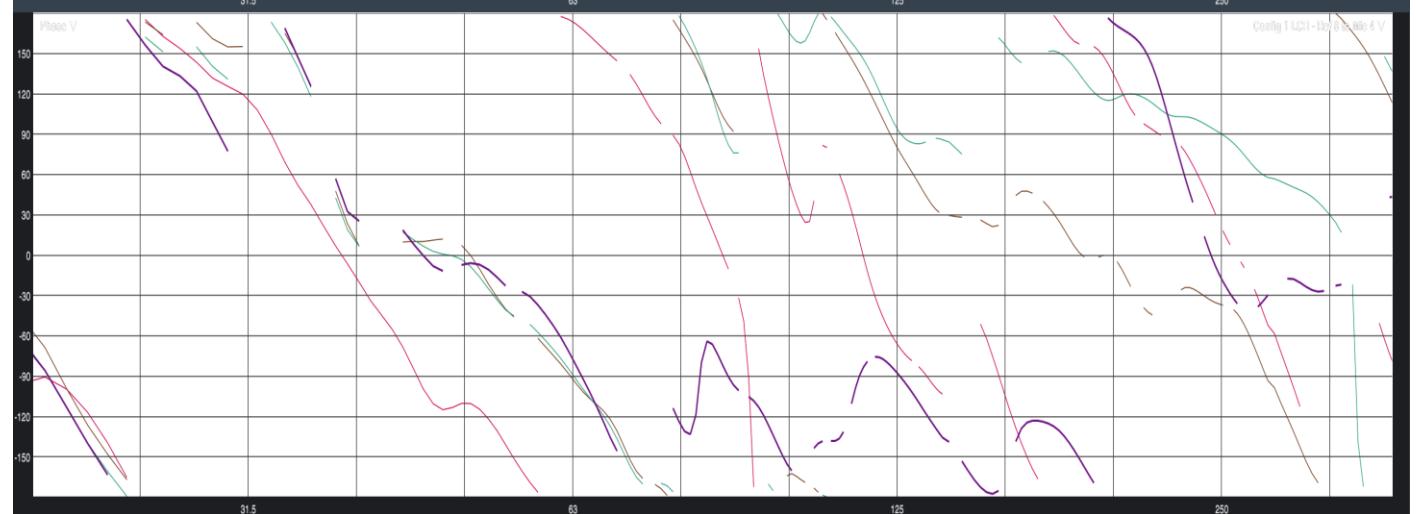
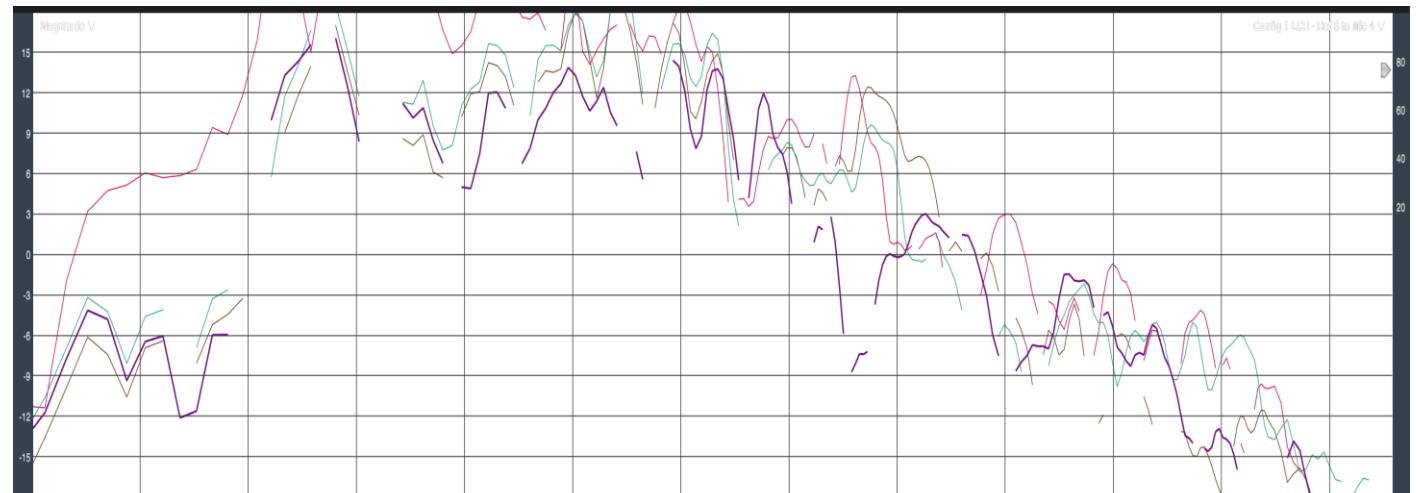
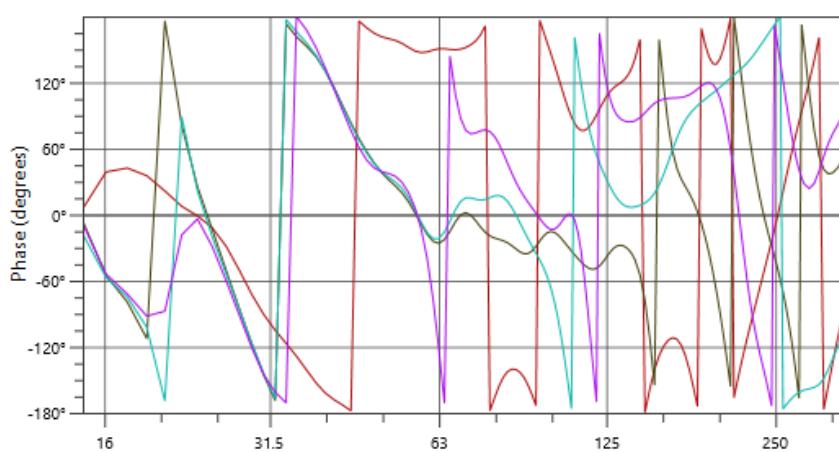
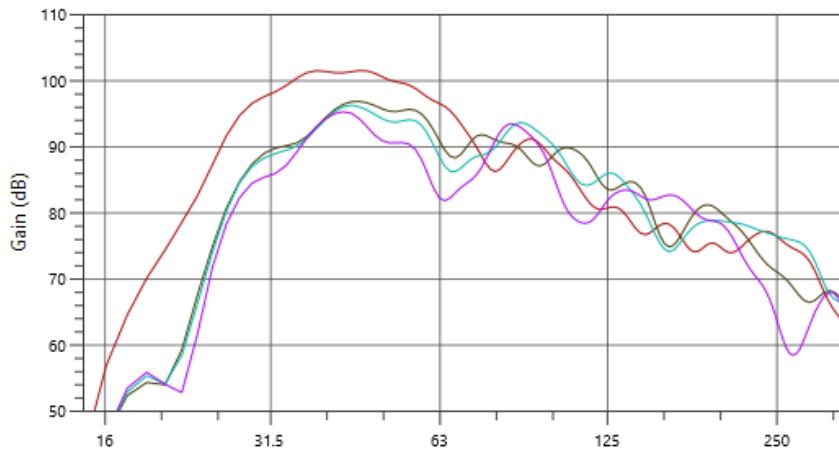


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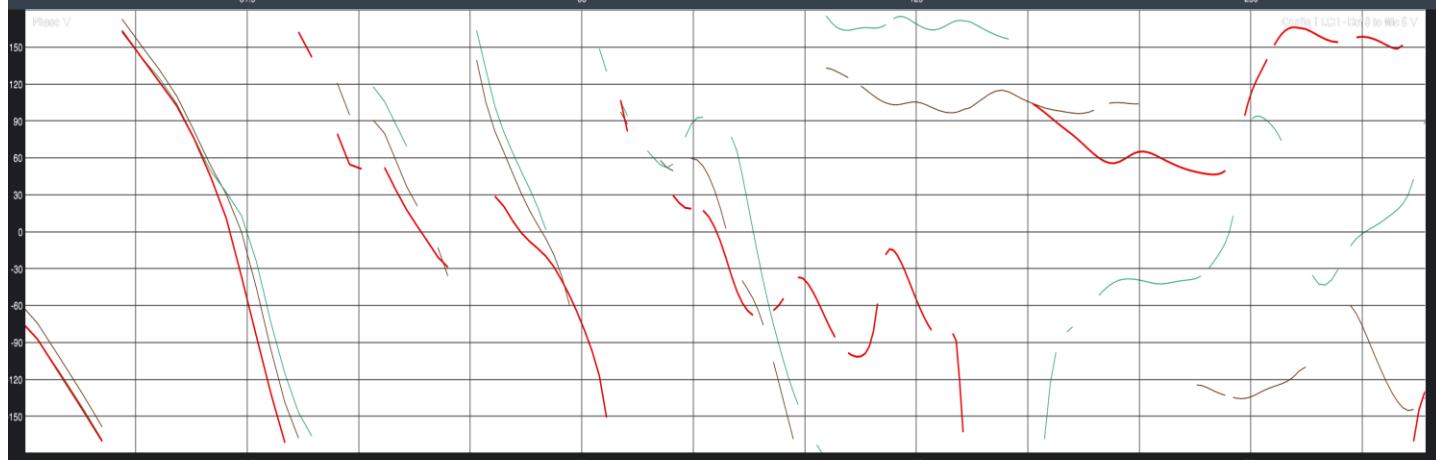
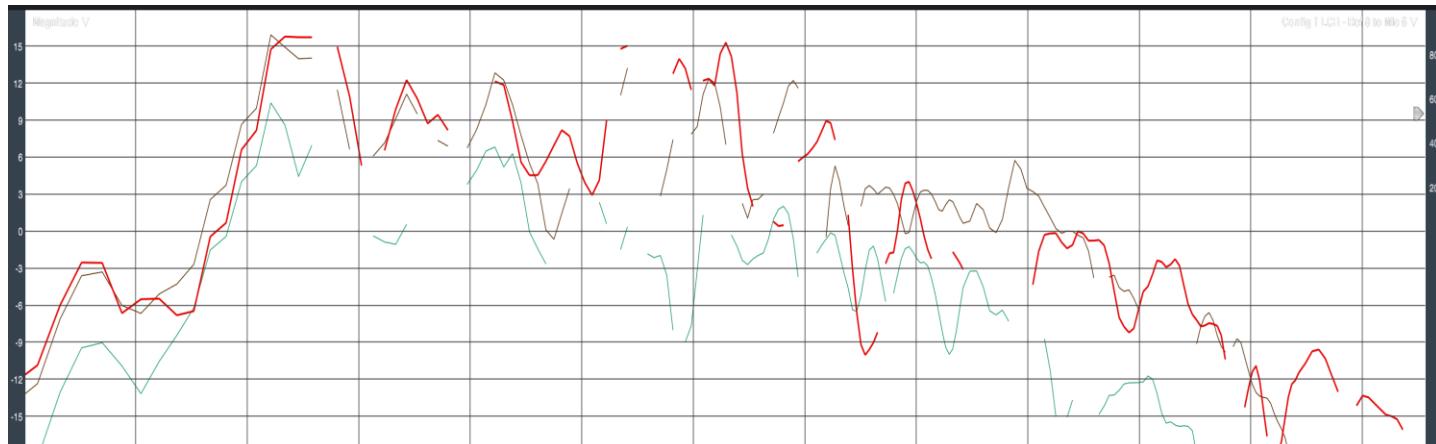
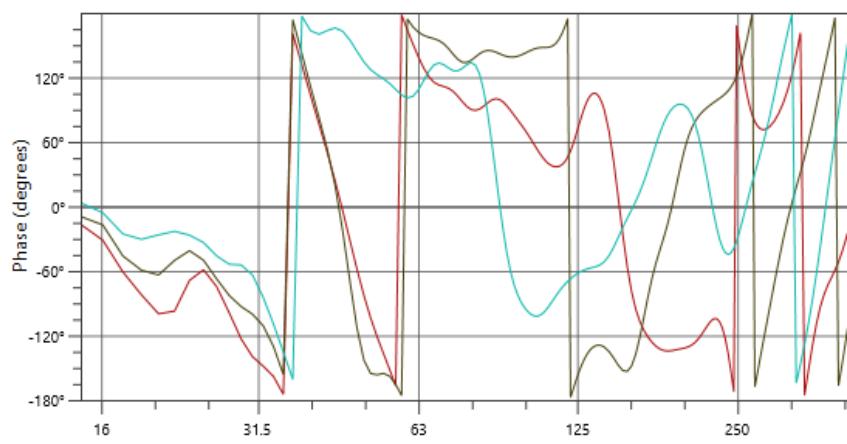
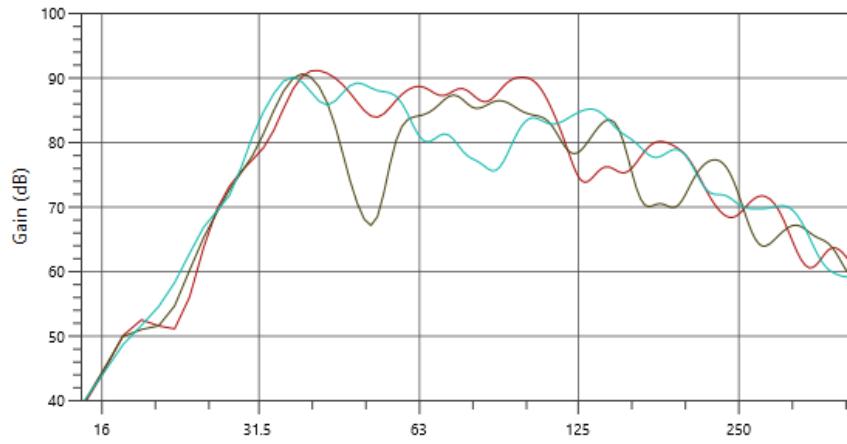
- 2 x UMS-1P spaced 24' + 650-P placed center



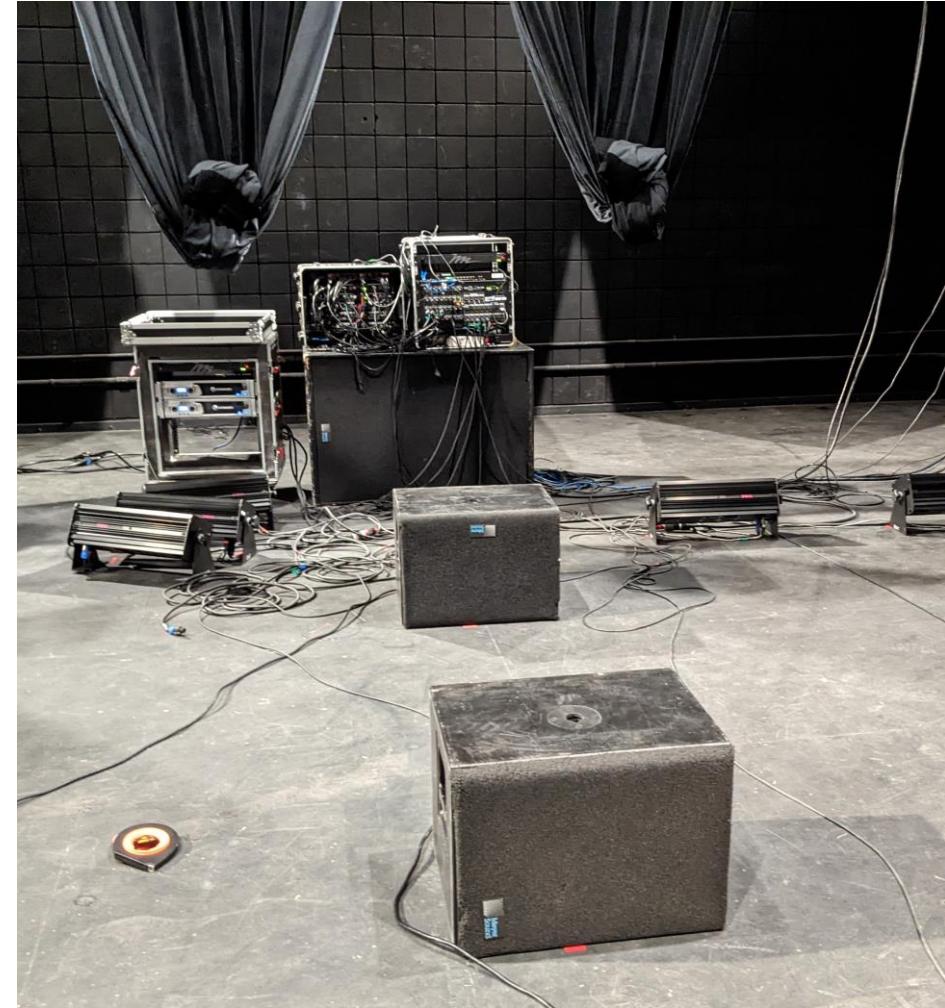
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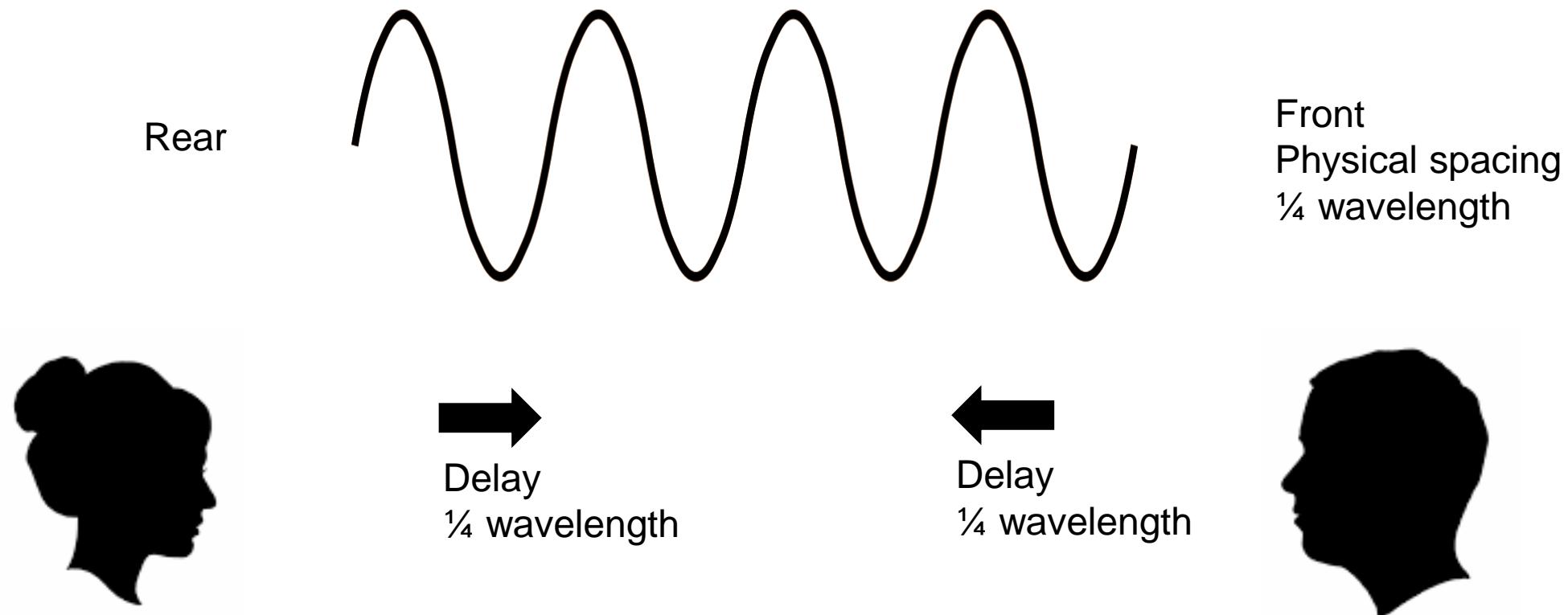
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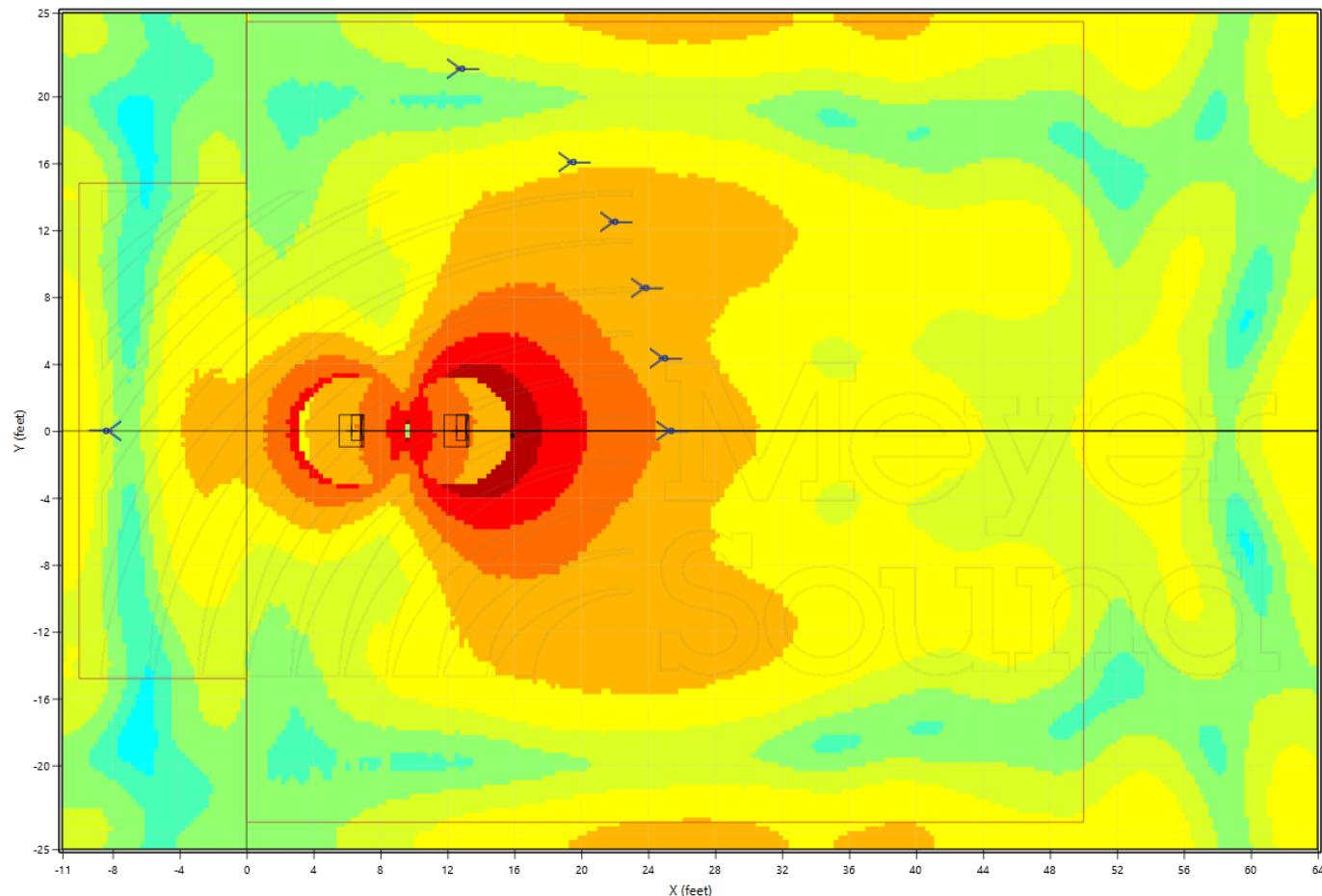


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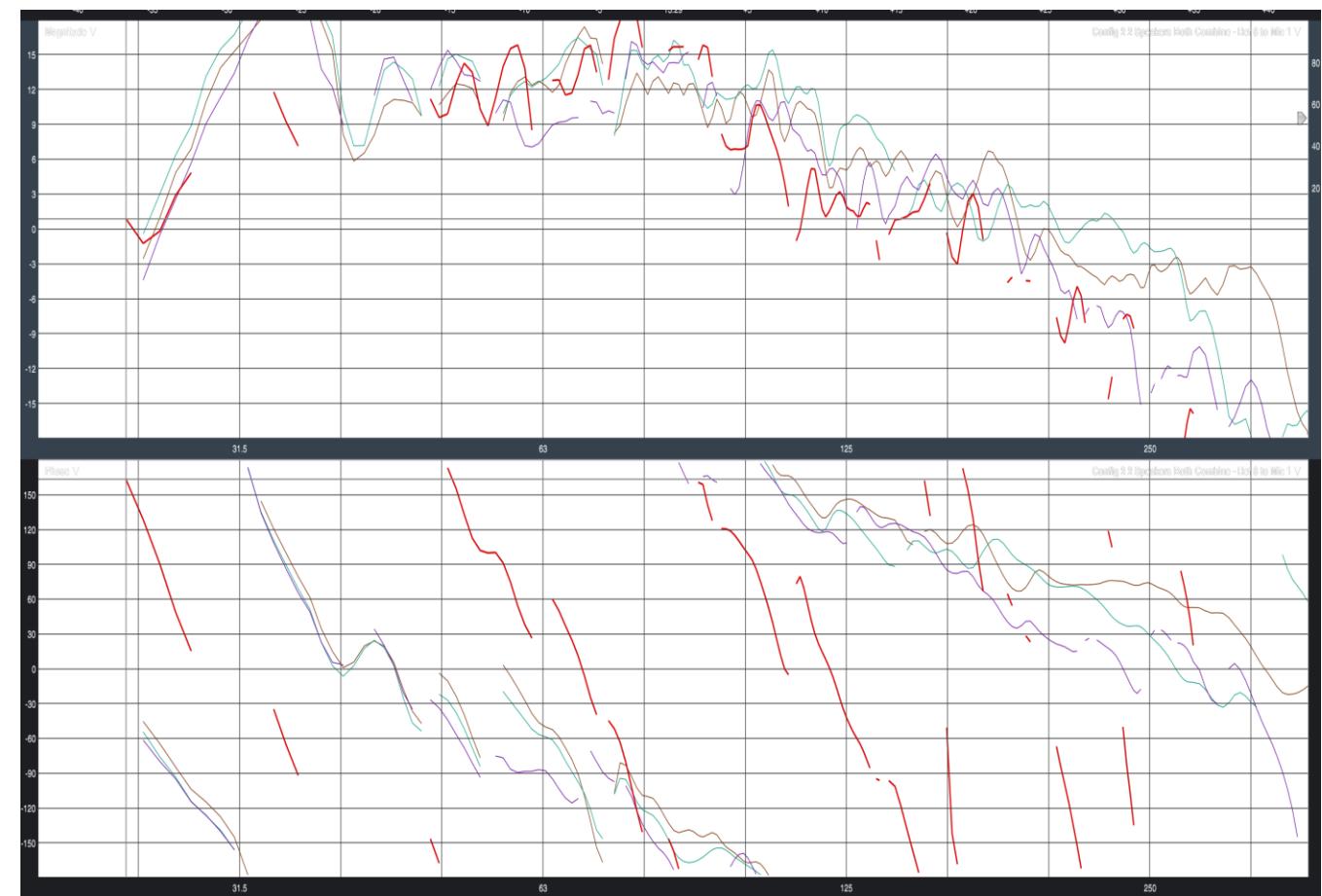
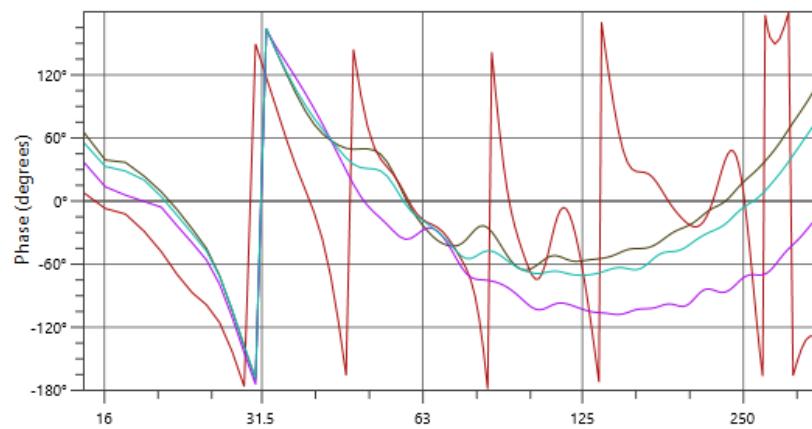
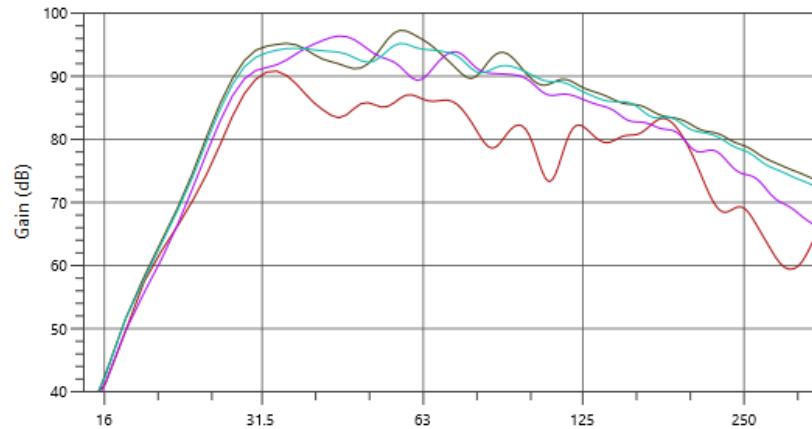


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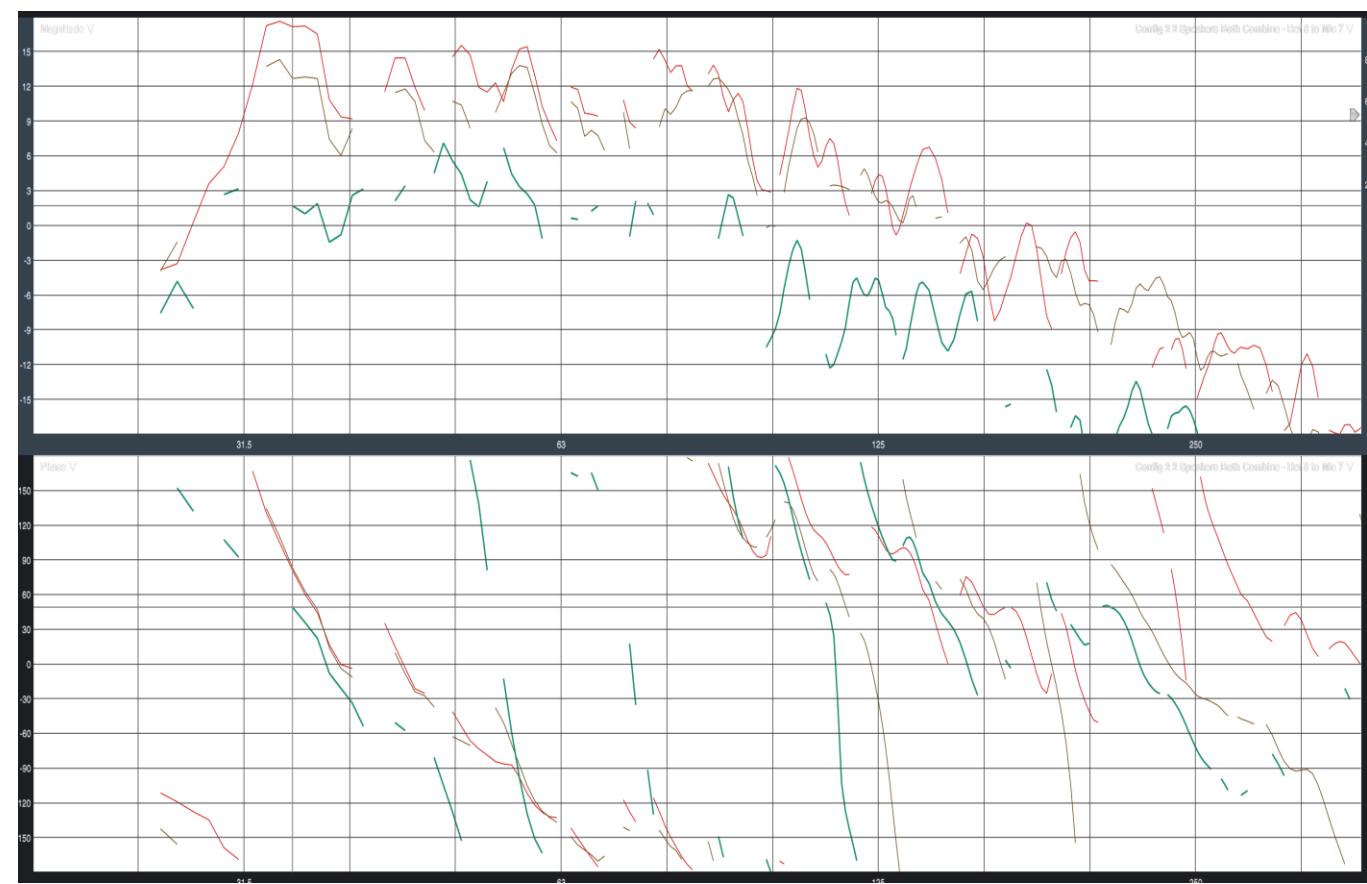
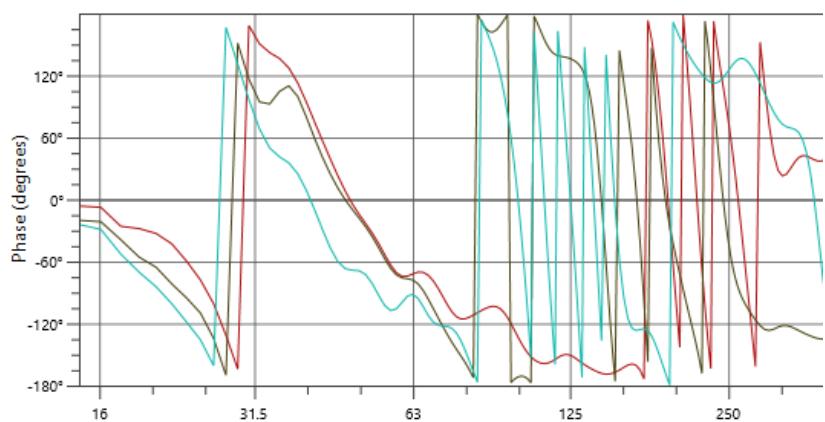
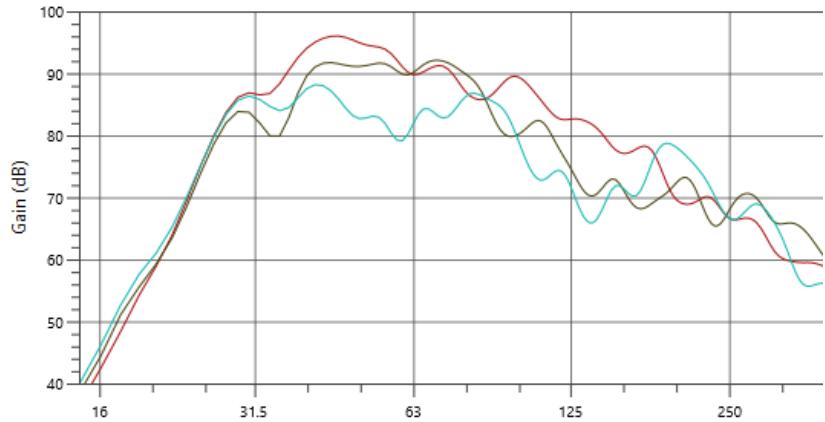
- 2 x UMS-1P spaced 6'-3¼", Front delayed



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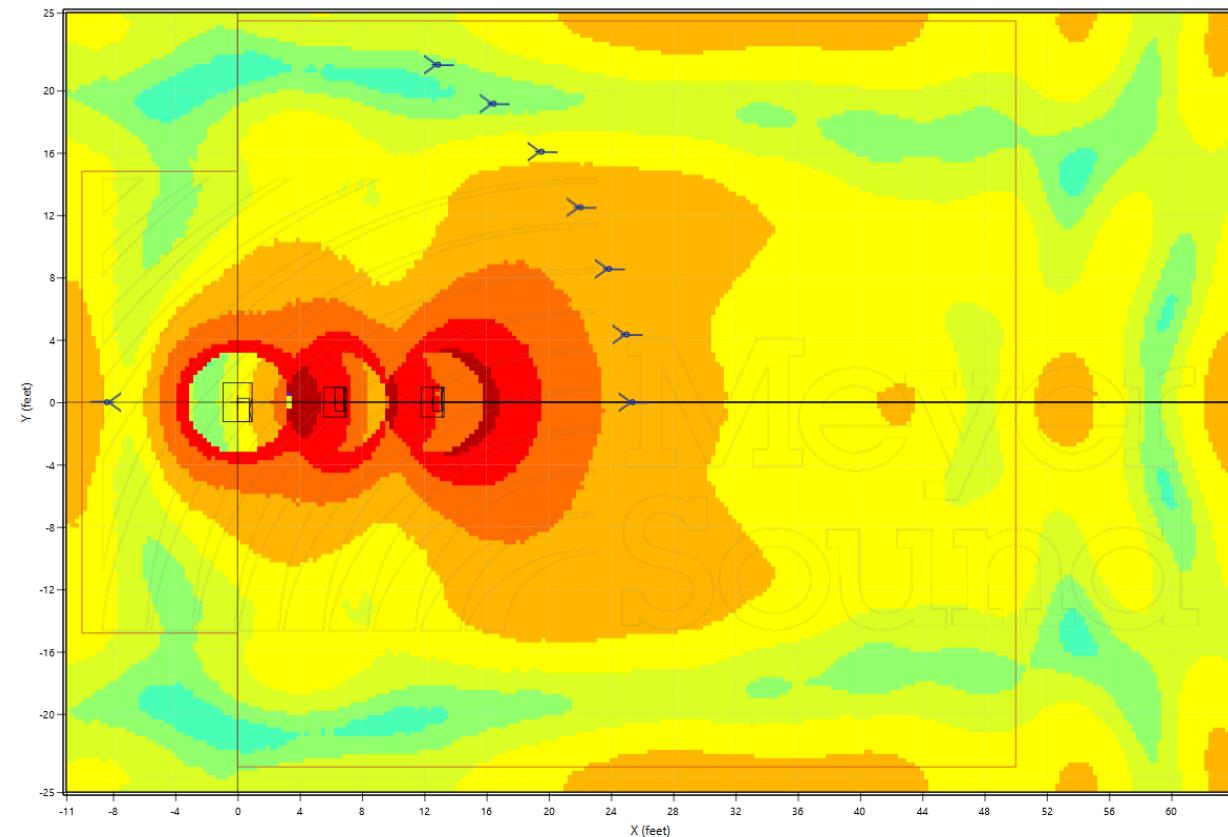


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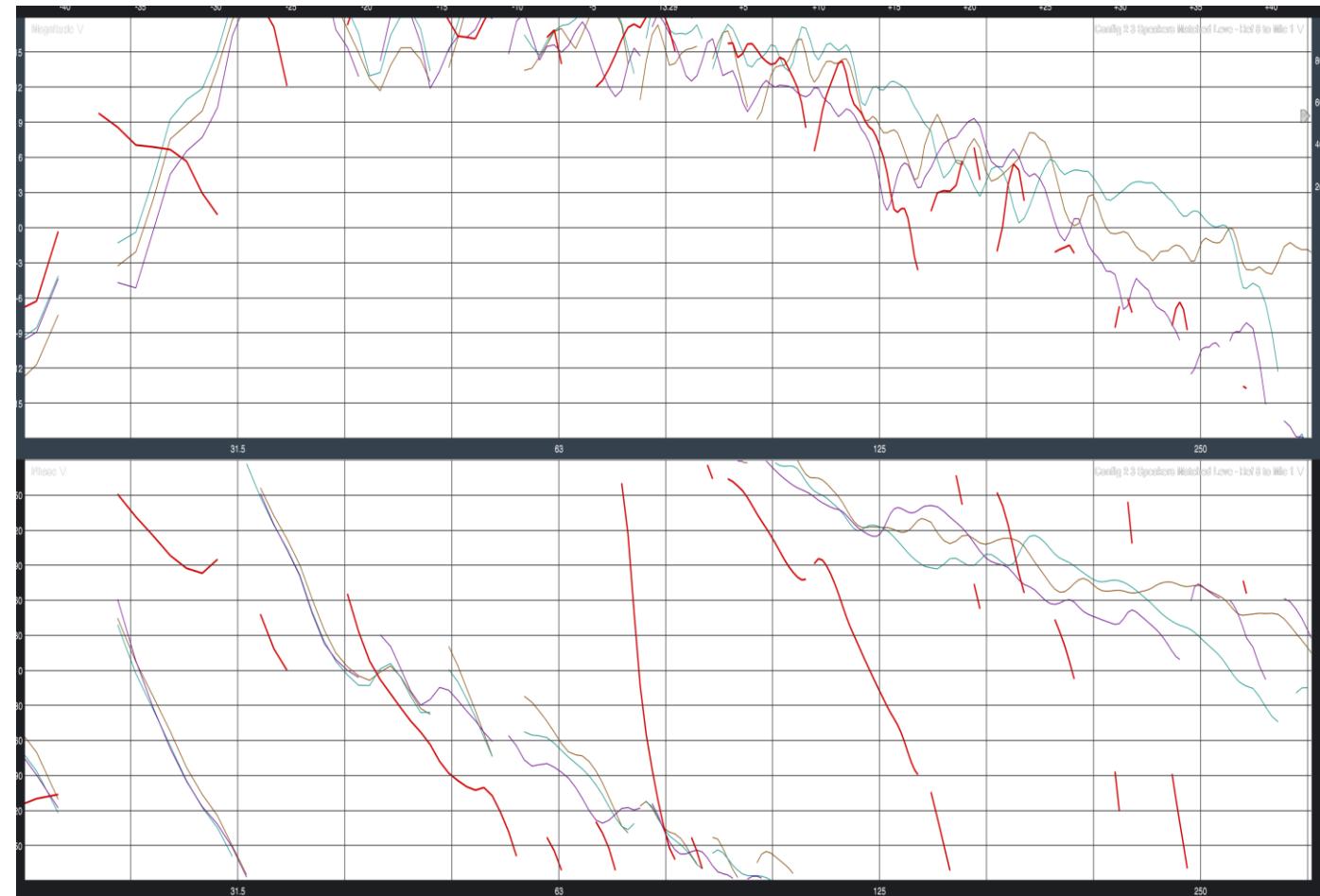
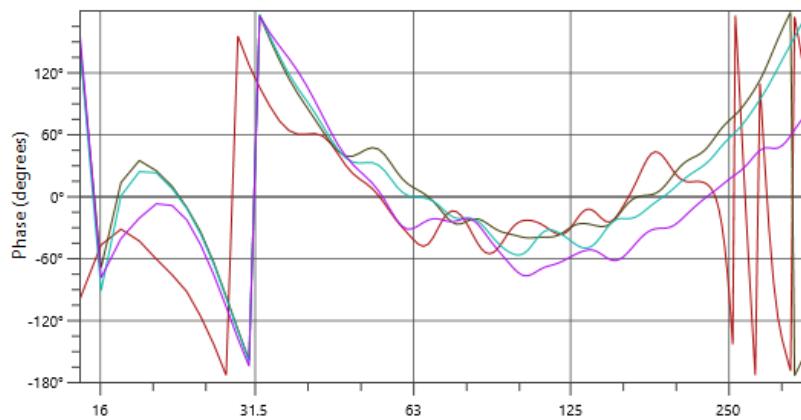
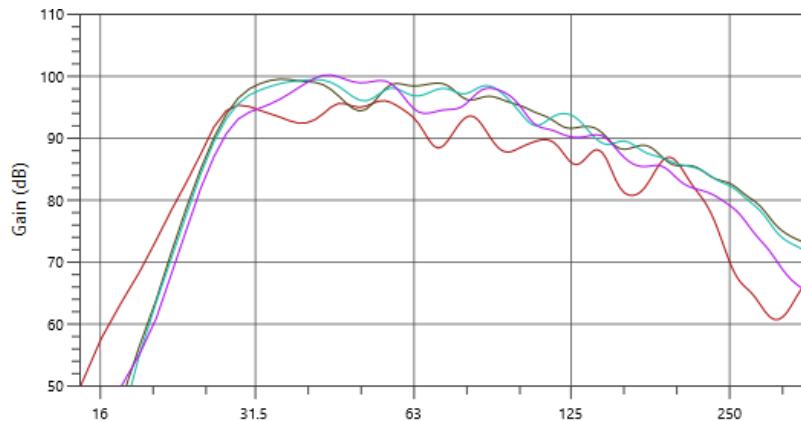


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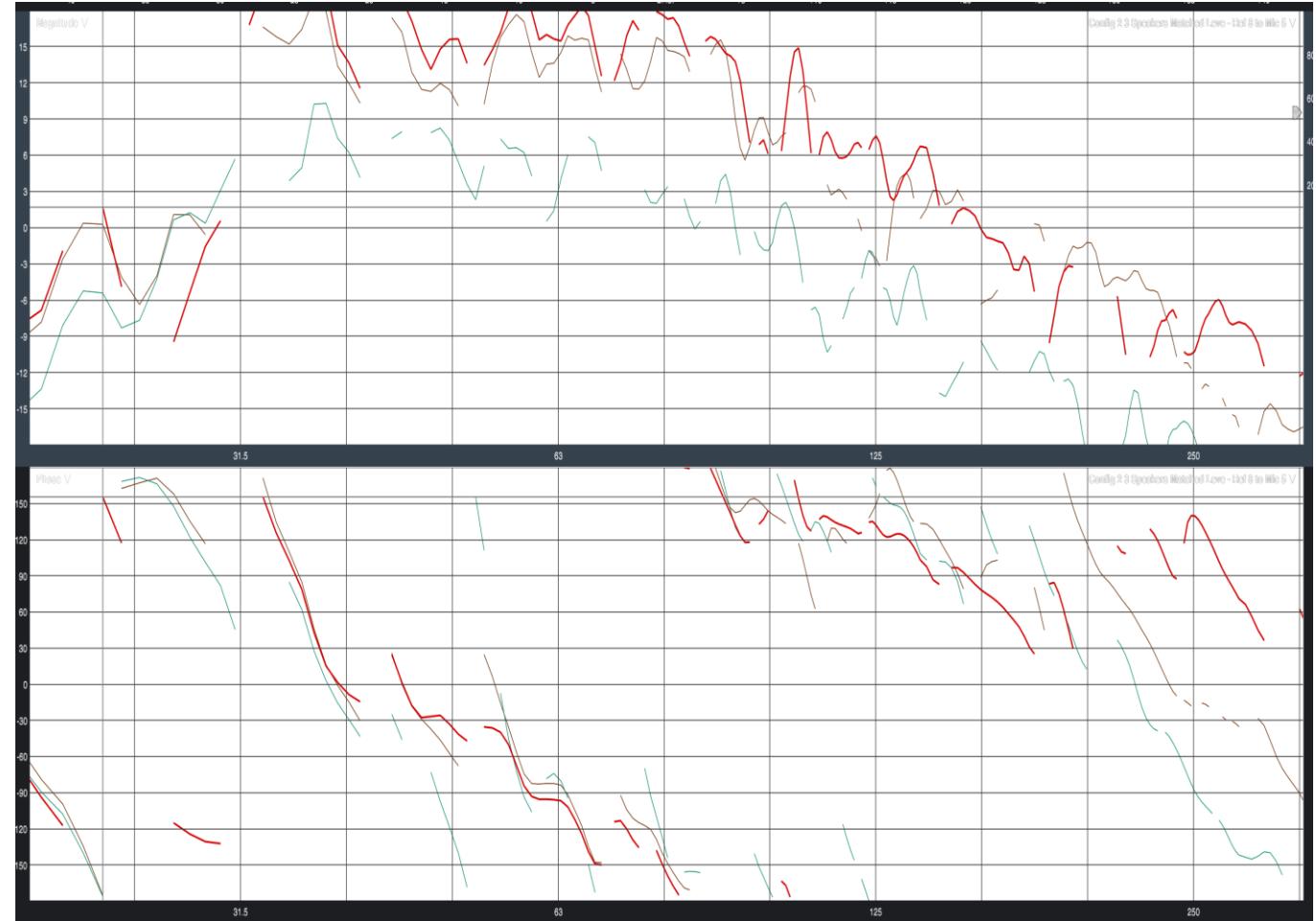
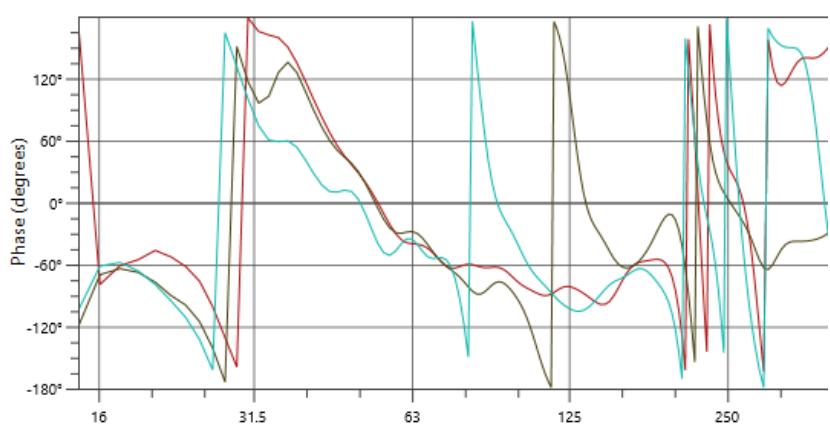
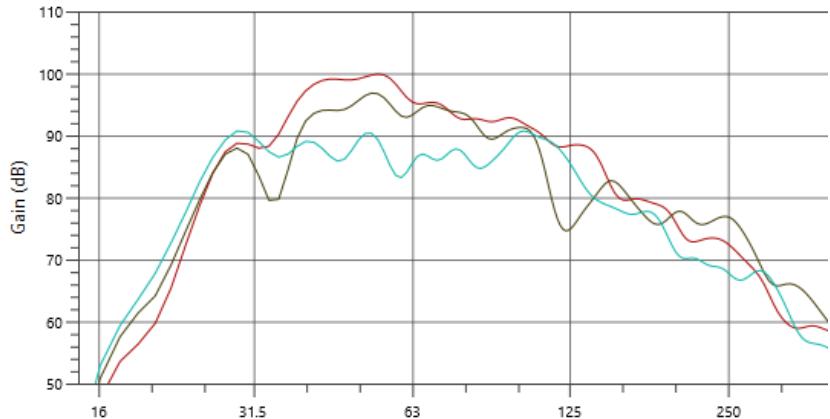
- 2 x UMS-1P + 1 x 650-P spaced 6'-3 $\frac{1}{4}$ ",
Middle delayed 5.6ms, Front delayed 11.12ms



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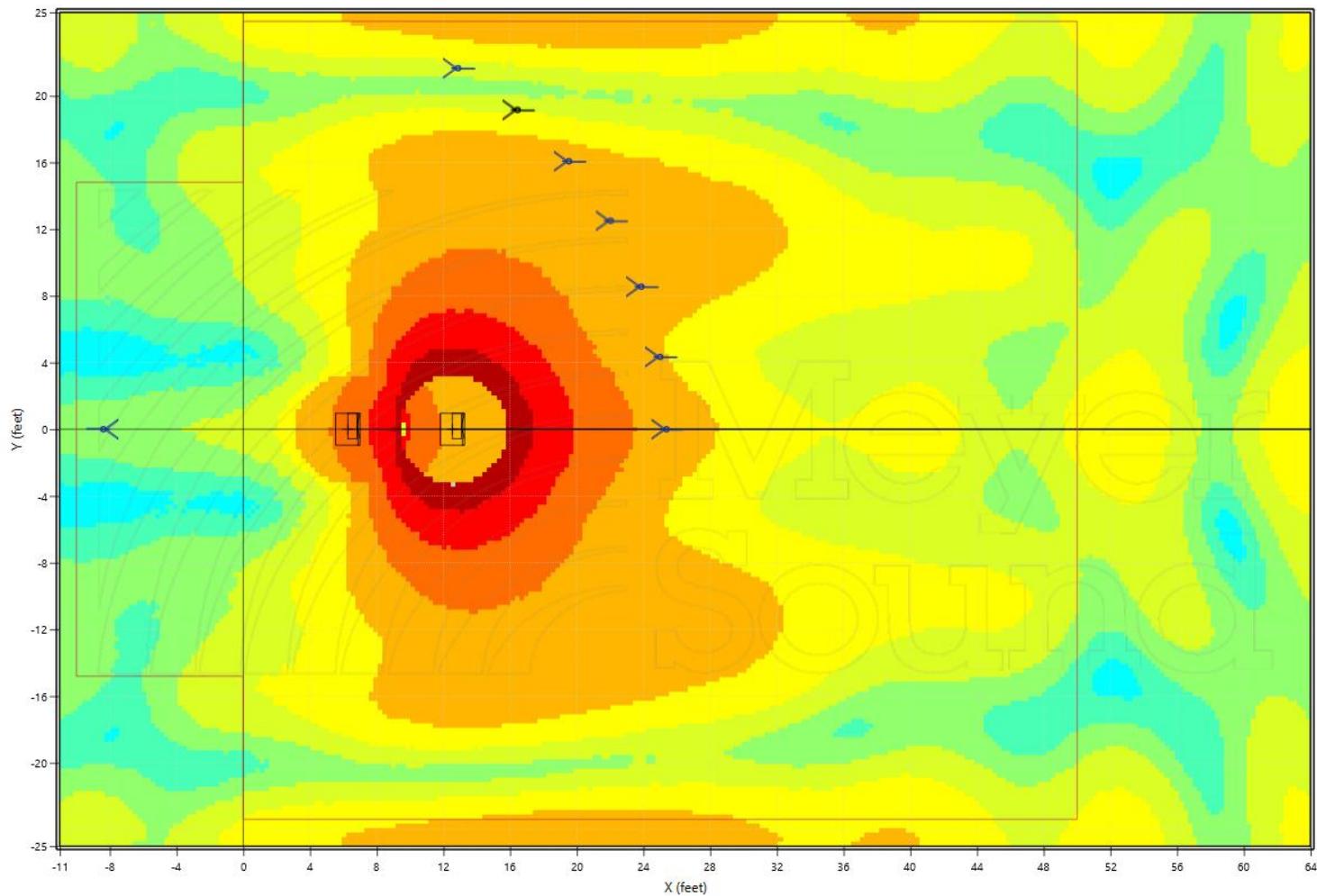


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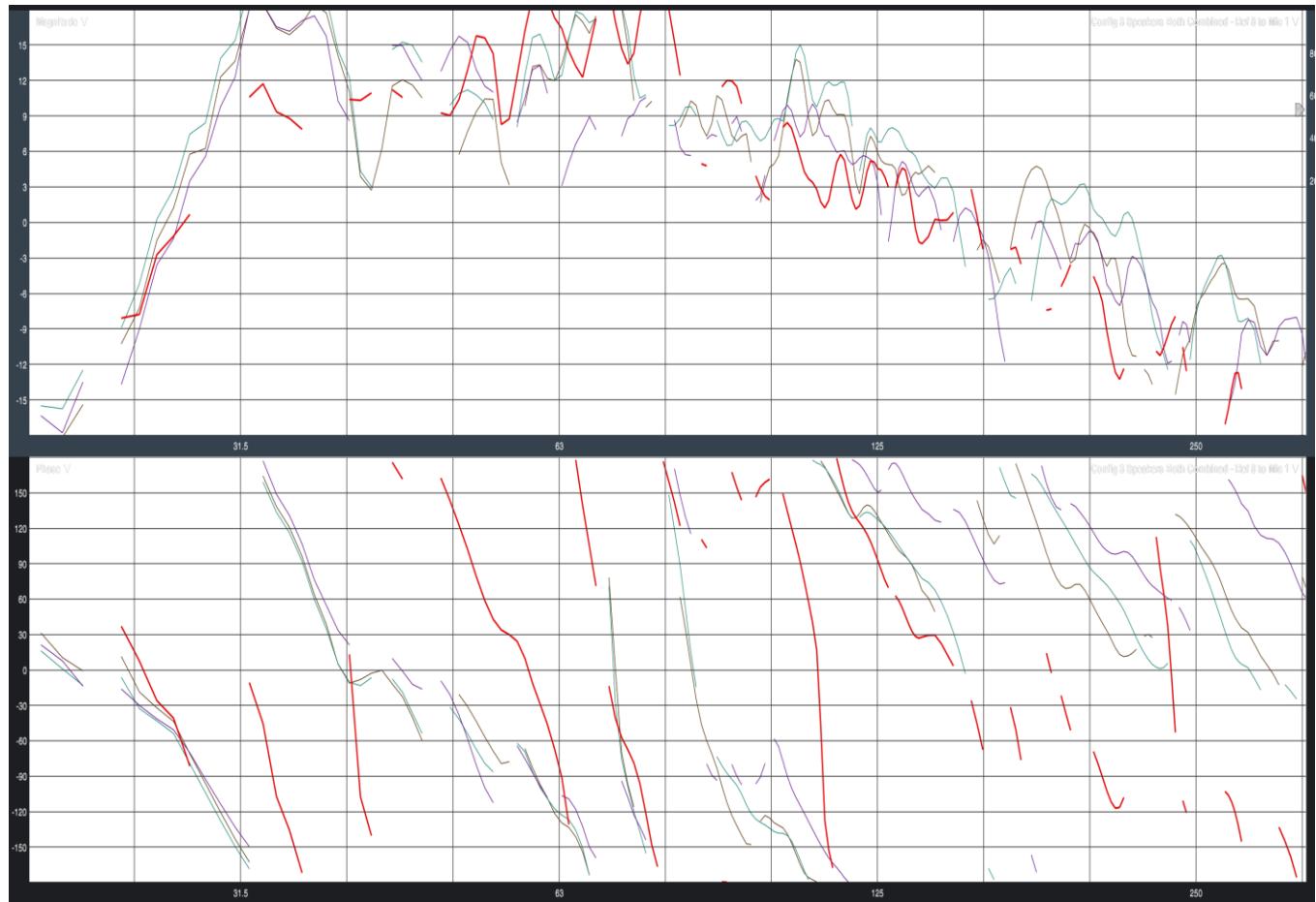
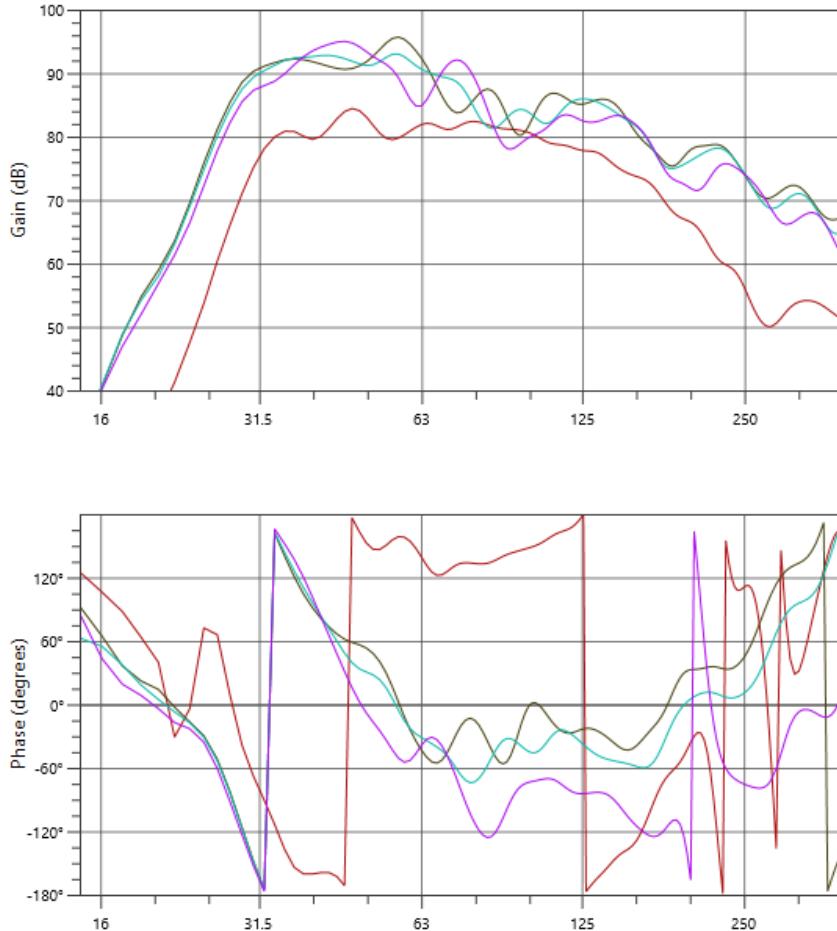


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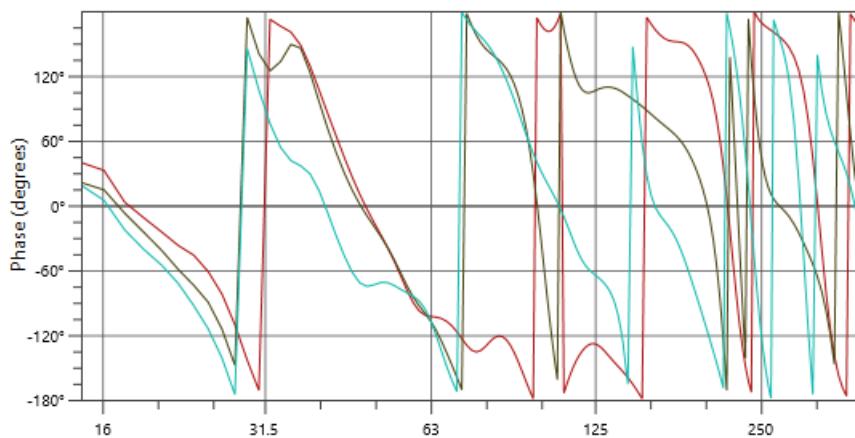
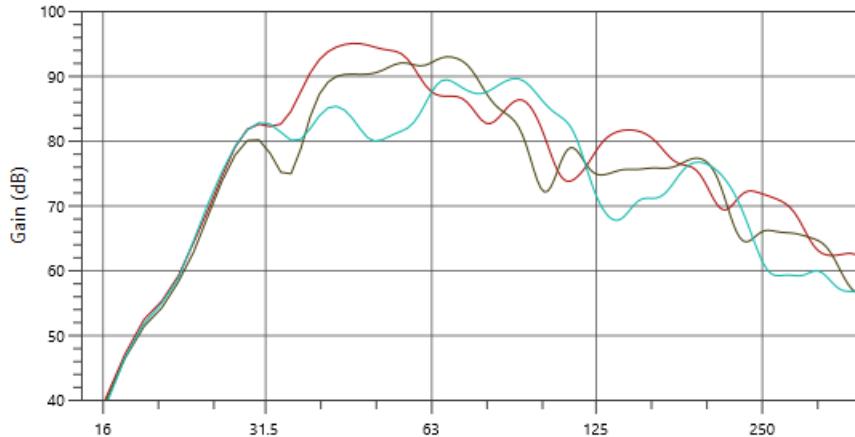
- 2 x UMS-1P spaced 6'-3¼", rear delayed, Ø switch



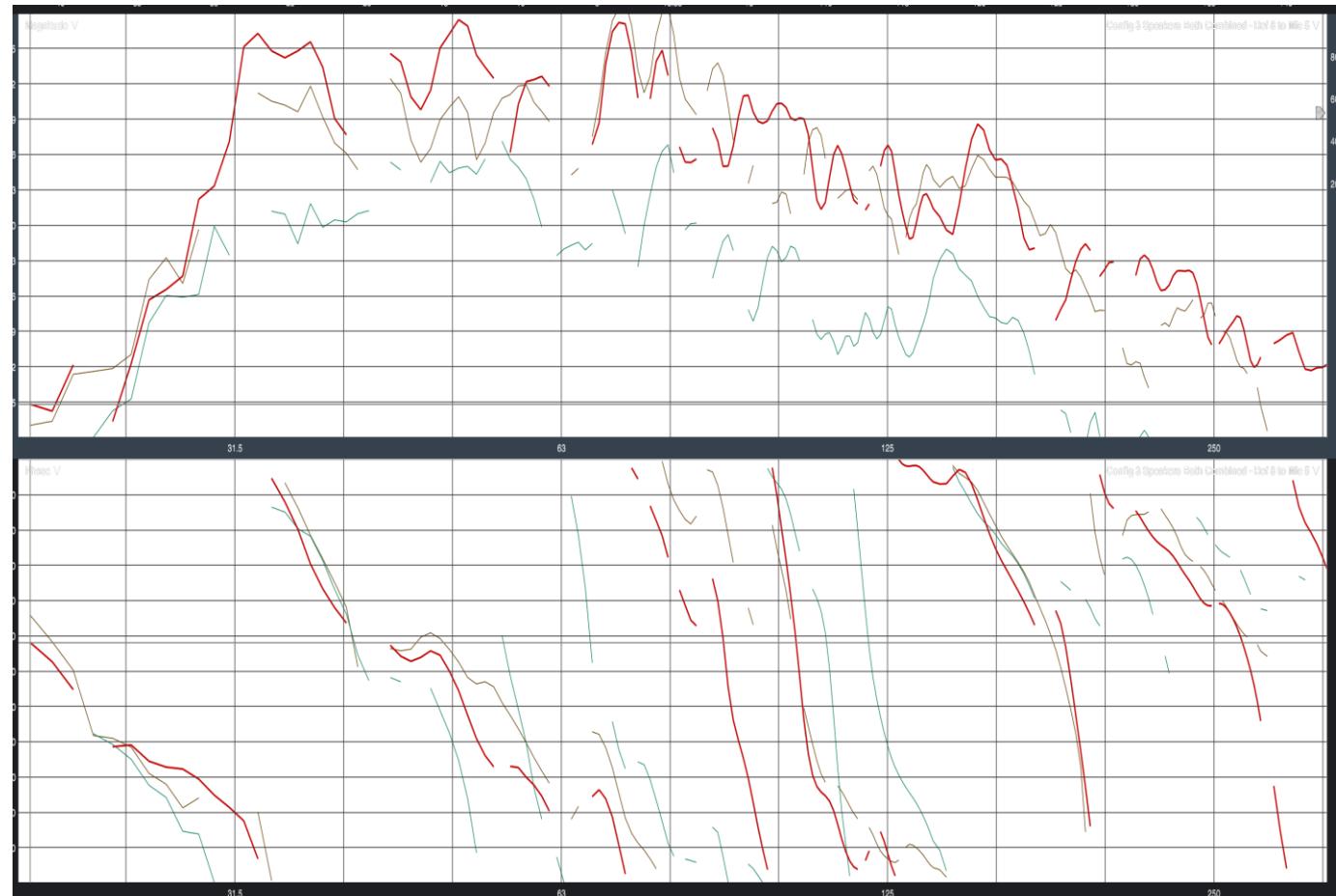
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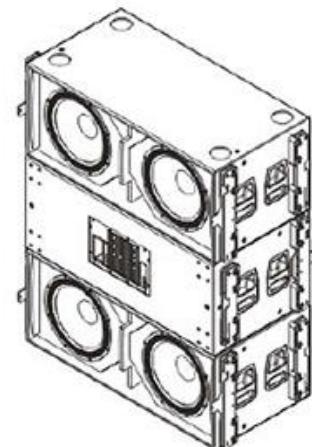
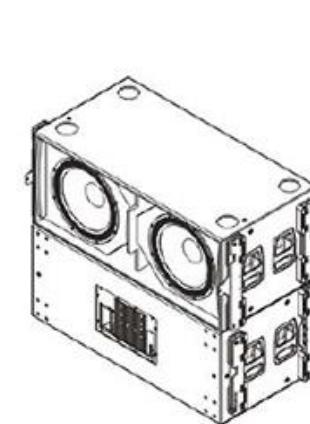
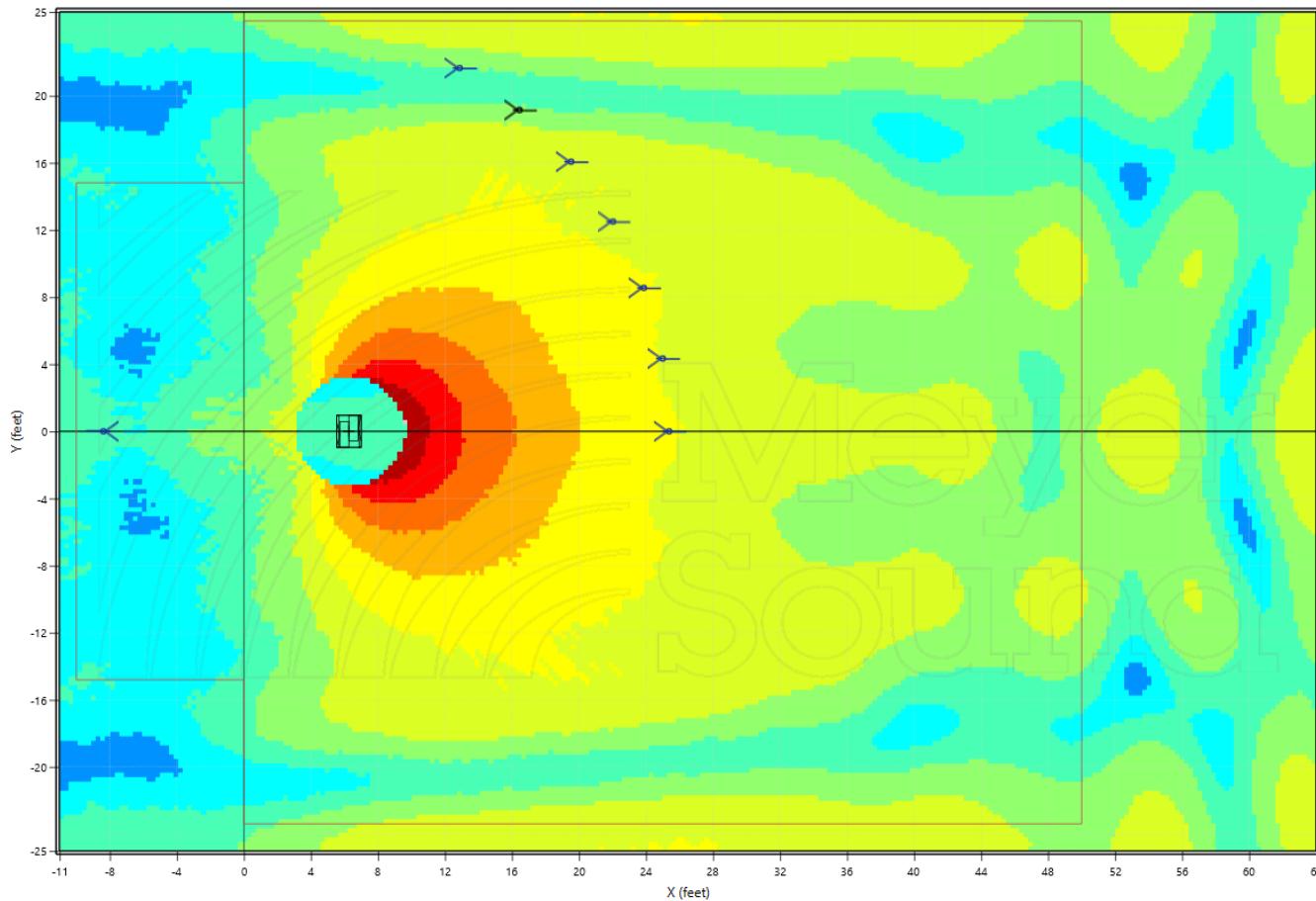


■ 30° 25'
■ 40° 25'
■ 50° 25'

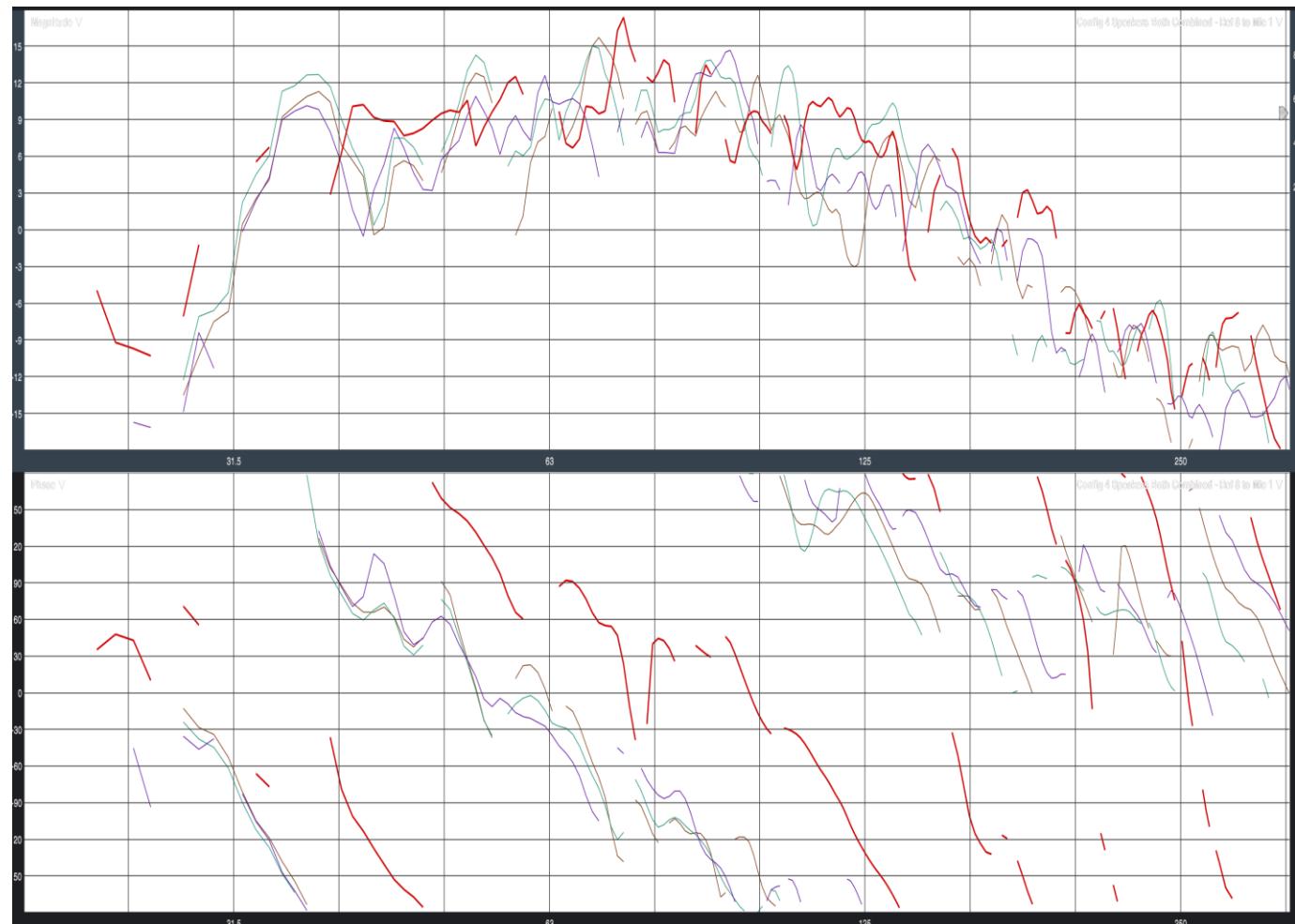
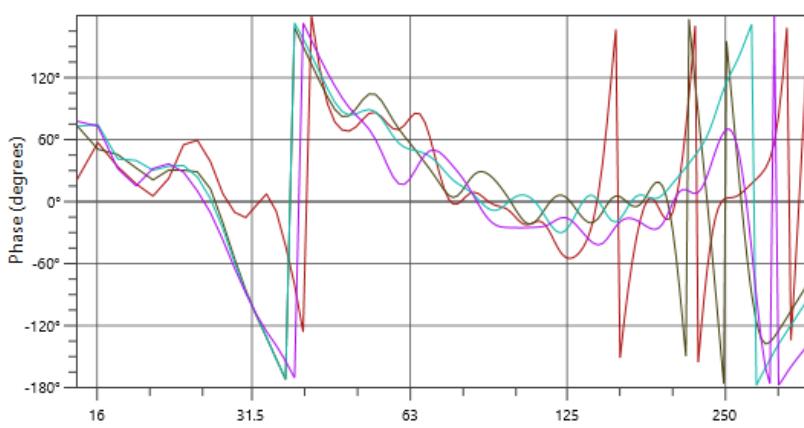
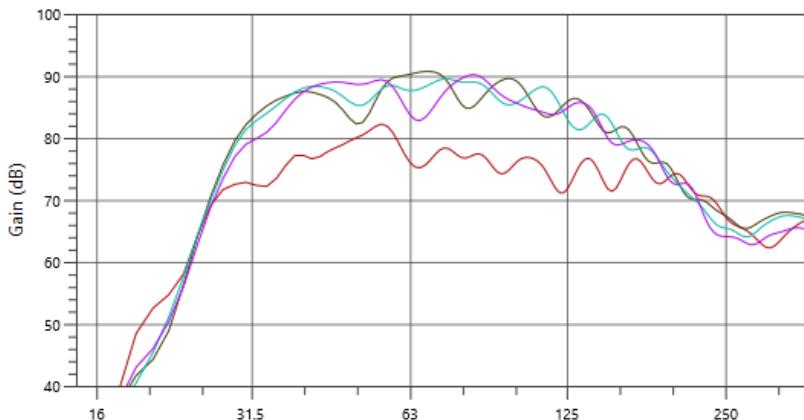


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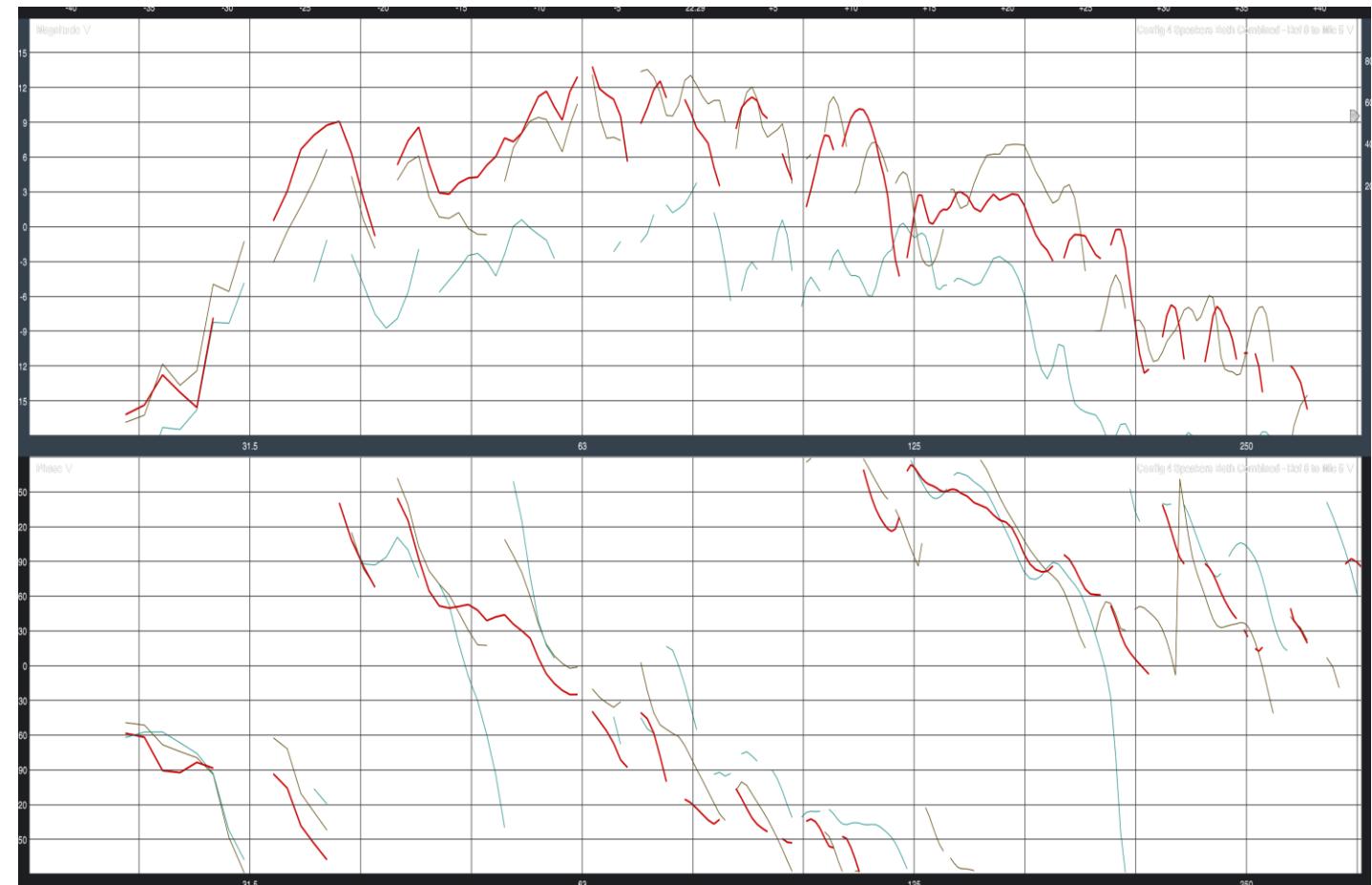
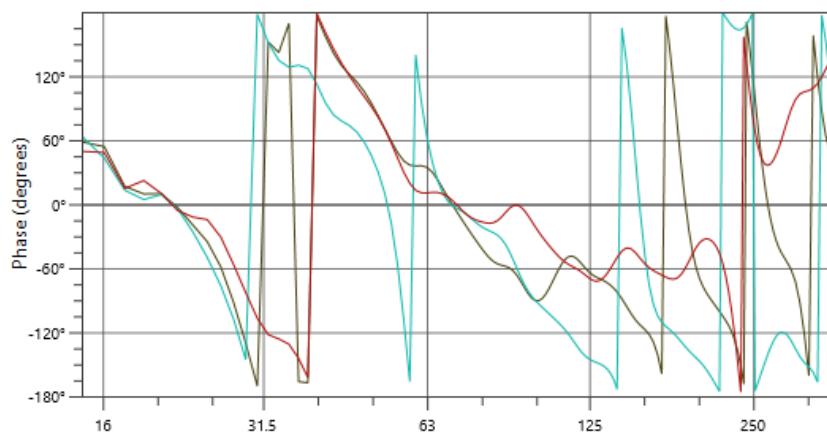
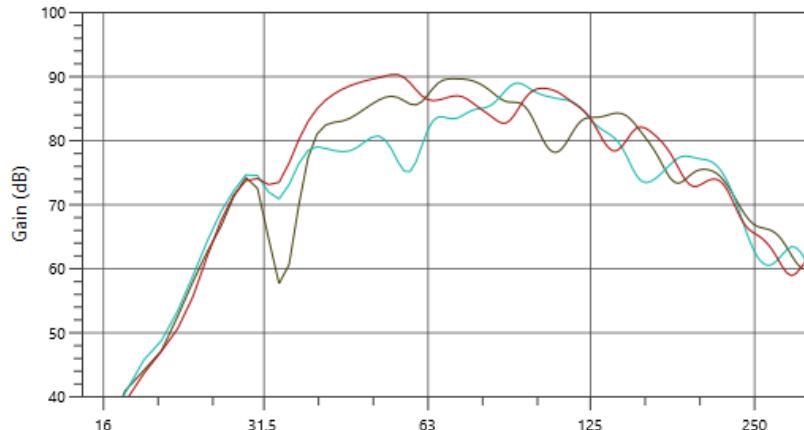
- 2 x UMS-1P, Bottom facing rear, delayed 1.5 ms, \emptyset switch



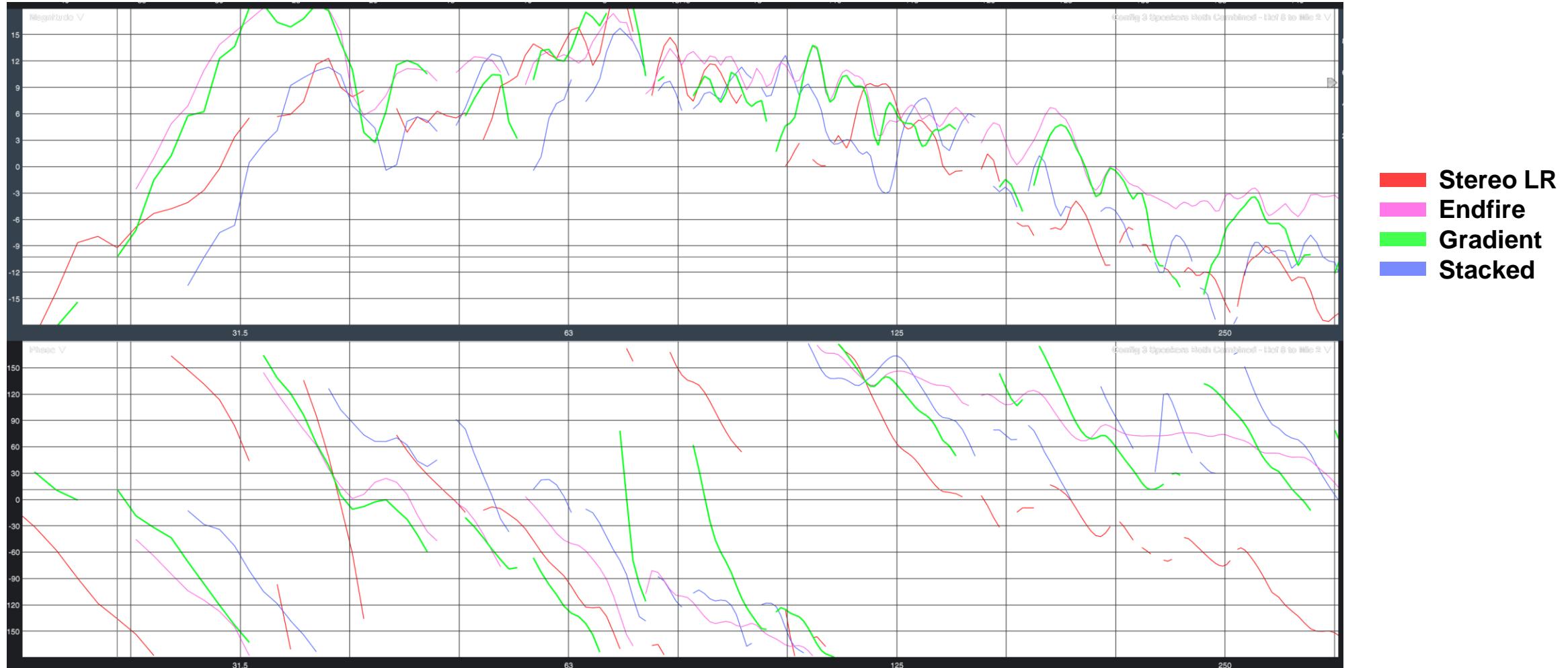
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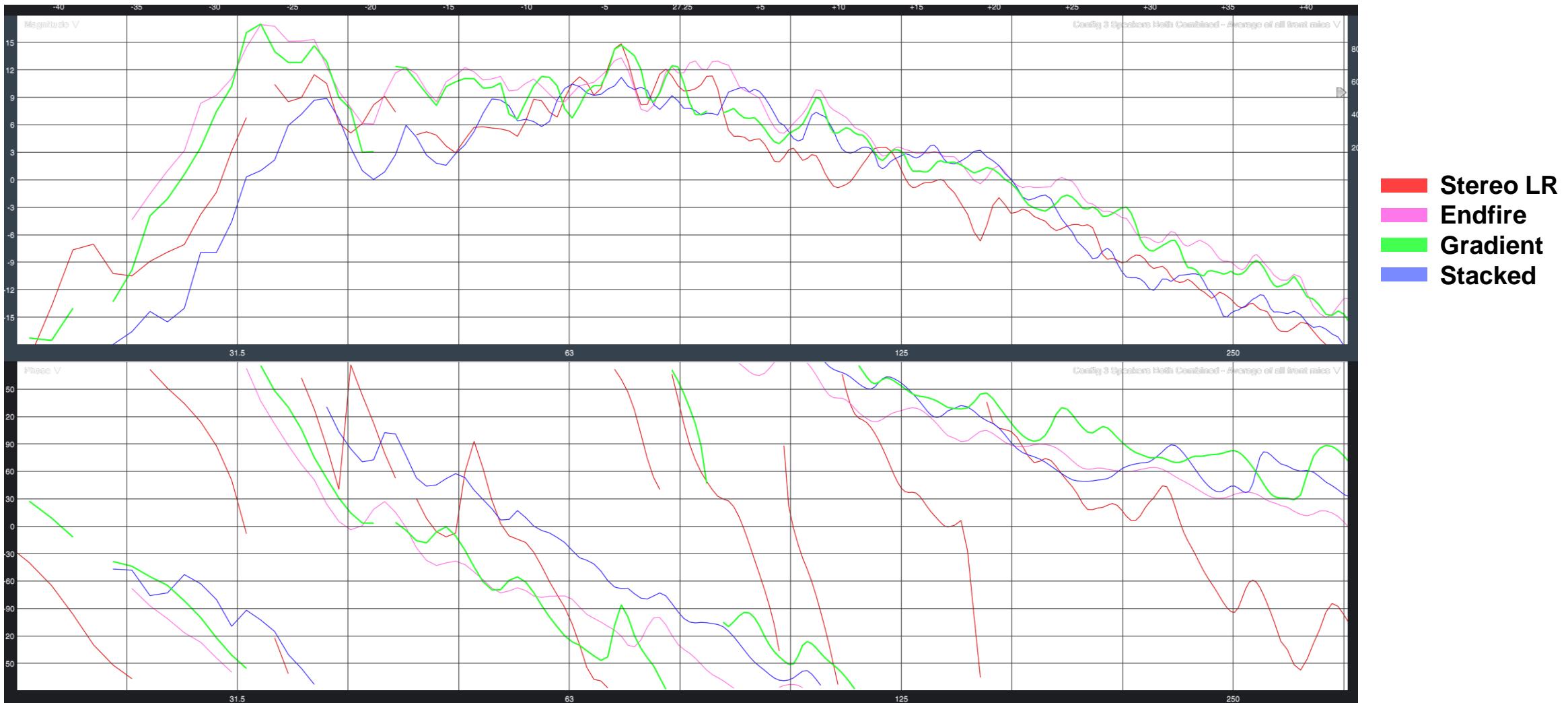
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2 x UMS-1P at 0° Microphone



2 x UMS-1P Average of Front Mic Array



Questions