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Preface

The "2018 URSI Commission B School for Young Scientists" is organized by URSI Commission B and is arranged on the occasion of the "2018 URSI Atlantic Radio Science Conference" (URSI AT-RASC 2018), May 28 - June 1, 2018, Gran Canaria, Spain. This School is a one-day event held during URSI AT-RASC 2018, and is sponsored jointly by URSI Commission B and the URSI AT-RASC 2018 Organizing Committee. The School offers a short, intensive course, where a series of lectures will be delivered by a leading scientist in the Commission B community. Young scientists are encouraged to learn the fundamentals and future directions in the area of electromagnetic theory from these lectures.

Program

1. Course Title

Multiscale Computational Electromagnetics in Time Domain

2. Course Instructor

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3. Course Program

Lecture 1

- Date and Time: 9:00-13:00, Sunday, May 27, 2018
- Venue: ExpoMeloneras Convention Centre, Gran Canaria, Spain
- Lecture Topics:

1D Time Domain Methods The Finite Difference Time Domain (FDTD) Method The Finite Element Time Domain (FETD) Method The Fourier Pseudospectral Time Domain (PSTD) Method The Chebyshev PSTD Method The Frequency Domain Spectral Element Method (SEM) The Spectral Element Time Domain (SETD) Method

Lecture 2

- Date and Time: 14:00-18:00, Sunday, May 27, 2018
- Venue: ExpoMeloneras Convention Centre, Gran Canaria, Spain
- Lecture Topics:

1D Multiscale DGTD Method

- 3D DGTD Methods
- Nodal DGTD Methods

Vector (Subdomain) DGTD Method with EH Fields

Vector (Subdomain) DGTD Method with EB Fields

Vector DGTD Method with the Wave Equation

Vector DGTD Method for Coupling SE, FE and FDTD Methods

Lecture Abstract

Multiscale Computational Electromagnetics in Time Domain

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2018 edition of the URSI Commission B School for Young Scientists lectures by Prof. Qing Huo Liu focuses on the multiscale computational electromagnetics. The objective of this short course is to introduce the multiscale time-domain computational electromagnetics to address realistic electromagnetic sensing and system-level design problems. Such problems are often multiscale and contain three electrical scales, i.e., the fine scale (geometrical feature size much smaller than a wavelength), the coarse scale (geometrical feature size greater than a wavelength), and the intermediate scale between the two extremes. Most existing commercial solvers are based on single methodologies (such as finite element method or finite-difference time-domain method), and are unable to solve large multiscale problems. In this short course, we will present the discontinuous Galerkin time-domain (DGTD) framework to combine the spectral element, finite difference, and finite element time domain methods, using both explicit and implicit time integration techniques. Numerical results show significant advantages of the multiscale method. Time permitting, we will also overview some recent techniques in solving multiscale problems in the frequency domain.

Biographical Sketch of Course Instructor



Qing Huo Liu received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in physics from Xiamen University, China, and Ph.D. degree in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. His research interests include computational electromagnetics and acoustics, inverse problems, and their application in nanophotonics, geophysics, biomedical imaging, and electronic packaging. He has published over 400 papers in refereed journals and 500 papers in conference proceedings. He was with the Electromagnetics Laboratory at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as a Research Assistant from September 1986 to December 1988, and as a Postdoctoral Research Associate from January 1989 to February 1990. He was a Research Scientist and Program Leader with Schlumberger-Doll Research, Ridgefield, CT from 1990 to 1995. From 1996 to May 1999 he was an Associate Professor with New Mexico

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Chapter 1. 1-D Time Domain Methods

This chapter review the finite difference, finite element, pseudospectral and spectral time domain methods for 1D problems. In particular, large scale problems are of interest where objects and domains are larger than the typical wavelength.

Topics:

- The Finite Difference Time Domain (FDTD) Method
- The Finite Element Time Domain (FETD) Method
- The Fourier pseudospectral time domain (PSTD) method
- The Chebyshev PSTD method
- The frequency domain spectral element method (SEM)
- The spectral element time domain (SETD) method

1.1 Finite-Difference Time-Domain Method

In one-dimensional problems, the medium and fields

- depend only on one coordinate direction (say x),
- and independent of all other directions.

In this case, Maxwell's equation can be decoupled into two **decoupled** sets of problems:

Set 1: (E_y, H_z) produced by (J_y, M_z)

Set 2: (E_z, H_y) produced by (J_z, M_y) .

Our objective in this section is to develop methods for Set 1. The solution of Set 2 is similar.

Set 1: (E_y, H_z) are governed by

$$\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} = -\mu \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial t} - \sigma_m H_z - M_z \tag{1.1}$$

$$\frac{\partial H_z}{\partial x} = -\epsilon \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} - \sigma_e E_y - J_y \tag{1.2}$$

* J_y is the y component of the electric current density. Set 2: (E_z, H_y) are similarly governed by

$$\frac{\partial E_z}{\partial x} = \mu \frac{\partial H_y}{\partial t} + \sigma_m H_y + M_y \tag{1.3}$$

$$\frac{\partial H_y}{\partial x} = \epsilon \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial t} + \sigma_e E_z + J_z \tag{1.4}$$

1.1.1 Finite-Difference Schemes

Common finite-difference schemes are

• Forward differencing scheme:

$$\frac{\partial f(x,t)}{\partial x} = \frac{f(x+\Delta x,t) - f(x,t)}{\Delta x} + O(\Delta x)$$
(1.5)

• Backward differencing scheme:

$$\frac{\partial f(x,t)}{\partial x} = \frac{f(x,t) - f(x - \Delta x, t)}{\Delta x} + O(\Delta x)$$
(1.6)

• Central differencing scheme as in Yee's FDTD Method:

$$\frac{\partial f(x,t)}{\partial x} = \frac{f(x + \frac{\Delta x}{2}, t) - f(x - \frac{\Delta x}{2}, t)}{\Delta x} + O(\Delta x^2) \quad (1.7)$$

The order of the error terms can be easily verified by Taylor expansions.

1.1.2 The Finite-Difference Time-Domain Method

We first discretize the electric and magnetic fields at staggered spatial points and temporal points.

The domain $a \le x \le b = a + L$ is uniformly divided into I cells

with $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{I}$. The grid points for E_y are at $x_i^e = a + (i-1)\Delta x$, $i = 1, \cdots, I+1$. The magnetic field H_z is located at $x_i^h = x_i^e + \frac{1}{2}\Delta x$, $i = 1, \cdots, I$.

$$E_i^n \equiv E_y(x_i^e, n\Delta t), \quad H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \equiv H_z(x_i^h, (n+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t)$$
 (1.8)

Figure: 1.1 1-D FDTD grid with **E** field located at the boundaries x = a and x = b and at integer grid points, while **H** field located at half-integer grid points. Note that the half integer index of \mathbf{H} is rounded down to integers for programming. The indexing for \mathbf{E} and H can be reversed.

The staggered grid FDTD method (Yee scheme)

$$\frac{E_{i+1}^{n} - E_{i}^{n}}{\Delta x} = -\mu_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \frac{H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta t} - \sigma_{m,i+\frac{1}{2}} \frac{H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} + H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{2}}{-M_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n}} \frac{H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - \sigma_{m,i+\frac{1}{2}}}{2} \frac{H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} + H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}}}{2}}{(1.9)}$$
$$\frac{H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - H_{i-\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{\Delta x} = -\epsilon_{i} \frac{E_{i}^{n+1} - E_{i}^{n}}{\Delta t} - \sigma_{e,i} \frac{E_{i}^{n+1} + E_{i}^{n}}{2} - J_{i}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} (1.10)$$

The source terms

$$J_{i}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i}^{e} - \frac{\Delta x}{2}}^{x_{i}^{e} + \frac{\Delta x}{2}} J_{y}(x, (n+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t) dx \approx J_{y}(x_{i}^{e}, (n+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t),$$
$$M_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i}^{h} - \frac{\Delta x}{2}}^{x_{i}^{h} + \frac{\Delta x}{2}} M_{z}(x, n\Delta t) dx \approx M_{z}(x_{i}^{h}, n\Delta t),$$

The averaged μ and σ_m at $x = x_i^h$

$$\mu_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_i^h - \frac{\Delta x}{2}}^{x_i^h + \frac{\Delta x}{2}} \mu(x) dx, \quad \sigma_{m,i+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_i^h - \frac{\Delta x}{2}}^{x_i^h + \frac{\Delta x}{2}} \sigma_m(x) dx$$

And the averaged ϵ and σ_e at $x=x_i^e$

$$\epsilon_i = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_i^e - \frac{\Delta x}{2}}^{x_i^e + \frac{\Delta x}{2}} \epsilon(x) dx, \quad \sigma_{e,i} = \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_i^e - \frac{\Delta x}{2}}^{x_i^e + \frac{\Delta x}{2}} \sigma(x) dx,$$

From these equations, it is easy to obtain a leap-frog scheme

$$H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = B_0 H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} - B_1 (E_{i+1}^n - E_i^n) - B_2 M_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^n \quad (1.11)$$

$$E_i^{n+1} = A_0 E_i^n - A_1 (H_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - H_{i-1}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}) - A_2 J_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \quad (1.12)$$

The FD coefficients are given by

$$A_0 = \frac{2\epsilon_i - \sigma_{e,i}\Delta t}{2\epsilon_i + \sigma_{e,i}\Delta t}, A_1 = \frac{2\Delta t}{(2\epsilon_i + \sigma_{e,i}\Delta t)\Delta x}, A_2 = A_1\Delta x$$

$$B_{0} = \frac{2\mu_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - \sigma_{m,i+\frac{1}{2}}\Delta t}{2\mu_{i+\frac{1}{2}} + \sigma_{m,i+\frac{1}{2}}\Delta t}, B_{1} = \frac{2\Delta t}{(2\mu_{i+\frac{1}{2}} + \sigma_{m,i+\frac{1}{2}}\Delta t)\Delta x}, B_{2} = B_{1}\Delta x$$

Proper initial and boundary conditions are needed to obtain unique solutions.

1.1.3 Initial Conditions

The initial conditions usually refer to field values at t = 0. However, since we discretize E and H at staggered temporal points, we will use the initial value of

$$E_i^0 = E_y(x_i^e, 0) (1.13)$$

$$H_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} = H_z(x_i^h, -\frac{1}{2}\Delta t)$$
(1.14)

for all integer values of i.

1.1.4 Boundary Conditions

A. PEC Boundary Conditions

$$E_1^n = E_{I+1}^n = 0 (1.15)$$

B. PMC Boundary Conditions

PMC Implementation 1: Let H_z locate at PMC boundaries.

 H_z at integer points $x_i^h = a + (i-1)\Delta x$, and E_y nodes at $x_i^e = x_i^h + \frac{1}{2}\Delta x$.

The PMC boundary conditions can be treated easily

$$H_1^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = H_{I+1}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = 0 (1.16)$$



Figure § 1.02 First implementation of PMC boundary

PMC Implementation 2: Let E_y locate at PMC boundaries. The PMC boundary condition

$$H_z(x=a) = 0$$
 or $\frac{\partial E_y(x=a)}{\partial x} = 0$

 H_z is an odd function at x=a, so at the virtual node $H^{n+\frac{1}{2}}_{-\frac{1}{2}}=-H^{n+\frac{1}{2}}_{\frac{1}{2}}$

The update equation for E_1 is modified as



C. Radiation Boundary Conditions

Incident field \mathbf{E}^{inc} from outside, and the scattered field $\mathbf{E}^{sct} = \mathbf{E} - \mathbf{E}^{inc}$.

• The radiation condition at the left boundary x = a

$$\frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{c_L} \frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial t} \tag{1.18}$$

where c_L is the speed of light for $x \leq a$. Similarly, at the right boundary x = b, the radiation condition is

$$\frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial x} = -\frac{1}{c_R} \frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial t} \tag{1.19}$$

where c_R is the speed of light for $x \ge b$. These conditions are exact as long as the medium is homogeneous for $x \le a$ and for $x \ge b$.



Figure § 1.04 Radiation boundary conditions for the 1D problem where the scattered field travels outward. The material discontinuities can occur as close as $1.5\Delta x$ from the boundaries x = a and x = b.

The above radiation conditions can be written explicitly

$$E_y^{sct}(x,t) = f_{-}(t+x/c_L) \text{ at } x = a$$
 (1.20)

$$E_y^{sct}(x,t) = f_+(t - x/c_R) \text{ at } x = b$$
 (1.21)

 $f_{-}(t) \sim$ the time function of the waves propagating to the left $f_{+}(t) \sim$ the time function of the waves propagating to the right

Therefore, with linear interpolation, one has

$$E_y^{sct}(a, t + \Delta t) = f_-(t + \Delta t + x_1/c_L) = E_y^{sct}(a + c_L\Delta t, t)$$

$$\approx E_y^{sct}(a, t)(1 - \frac{c_L\Delta t}{\Delta x}) + E_y^{sct}(a + \Delta x, t)\frac{c_L\Delta t}{\Delta x}$$
(1.22)

$$E_y^{sct}(b,t+\Delta t) = f_+(t+\Delta t - x_{I+1}/c_R) = E_y^{sct}(b-c_R\Delta t,t)$$

$$\approx E_y^{sct}(b,t)(1-\frac{c_R\Delta t}{\Delta x}) + E_y^{sct}(b-\Delta x,t)\frac{c_R\Delta t}{\Delta x}$$
(1.23)





Remark: One important thing about 1D incident waves:

Unlike in 2D and 3D, the incident wave in 1D cannot be *distinguished* from an internal source for the opposite boundary that is NOT impinged by the wave.

For example, if the incident wave comes from left, \mathbf{E}^{inc} is not zero for x = a; but to the boundary at x = b, this incident wave cannot be distinguished from an internal source at a < x < b. Hence the incident field is treated as zero for the boundary at x = b, and vise versa. Now if the incident electric field are

 $E_{yL}^{\text{inc}}(x,t)$ from the left, and $E_{yR}^{\text{inc}}(x,t)$ from the right, the updating equations for E_1^{n+1} and E_{I+1}^{n+1} are

$$E_1^{n+1} = E_{yL}^{\rm inc}(x_1^e, t + \Delta t) + [E_1^n - E_{yL}^{\rm inc}(x_1^e, t)](1 - \frac{c_L \Delta t}{\Delta x}) + [E_2^n - E_{yL}^{\rm inc}(x_2^e, t)]\frac{c_L \Delta t}{\Delta x}$$
(1.24)

$$E_{I+1}^{n+1} = E_{yR}^{\text{inc}}(x_{I+1}^{e}, t + \Delta t) + [E_{I+1}^{n} - E_{yR}^{\text{inc}}(x_{I+1}^{e}, t)](1 - \frac{c_R \Delta t}{\Delta x}) + [E_{I}^{n} - E_{yR}^{\text{inc}}(x_{I}^{e}, t)]\frac{c_R \Delta t}{\Delta x}$$
(1.25)

Equations (1.24) and (1.25)

- together with (1.11) and (1.12) for $i = 2, \cdots, I$
- complete the time stepping process.



from the right side.

1.1.5 Accuracy and Stability Conditions

In order for the FDTD method to produce accurate results, the spatial discretization must be fine enough.

If the maximum frequency of the pulse excitation is f_{max}

(for example, f_{max} is the frequency where the spectrum decays to -40 dB of the peak value),

the minimum wavelength inside the domain is

$$\lambda_{min} = \frac{c_{\min}}{f_{max}} \tag{1.26}$$

* $c_{\min} = \min\{1/\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\}$ is the minimum speed of light in the material inside the domain.

For a moderate size of problem of several wavelengths,

- to obtain accuracy of the order of 1%,
- empirically the sampling density S_D should be chosen such that the number of points per wavelength (PPWs)

Sampling Density
$$S_D \equiv \frac{\lambda_{min}}{\Delta x} \ge 10 \text{ (PPWs)}$$
 (1.27)

If the problem size becomes large with respect to the minimum wavelength,

this sampling density has to be increased.

In other words, the numerical dispersion error of the FDTD method

increases with the problem size.



Figure § **1.08** Pulse (top) and its spectrum magnitude. A maximum frequency f_{max} is defined as one beyond which the magnitude is negligible (for example -40 dB below the peak magnitude).



Figure § **1.09** The spatial sampling density is defined as the number of points per wavelength (PPW) at f_{max} .

The stability condition for the FDTD method is

$$\Delta t \le \frac{\Delta x}{\sqrt{D}c_{\max}} \tag{1.28}$$

where $c_{\text{max}} = \max\{1/\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}\}\$ is the maximum speed of light, D is the dimensionality of the problem (in the 1D case, D = 1).



Figure \S 1.10The stability condition will ensure that withinone time step the wave will propagate a distance within one cellrather than over one cell.

1.1.6 Sources and Their Time Functions

Electromagnetic sources can be (a) internal electric and magnetic sources; (b) E_{yL}^{inc} incident from the left, and (c) E_{yR}^{inc} incident from the right.

The time function of the source can be written as s(t). For example, if the incident wave is from the left

$$E_{yL}^{\rm inc}(x,t) = E_0 s(t - (x - x_0)/c_L)$$
(1.29)

where $x_0 \leq a$ is the initial location of the incident wave.

If the incident wave is from the right,

$$E_{uR}^{\rm inc}(x,t) = E_0 s(t + (x - x_0)/c_R)$$
(1.30)

where $x_0 \ge b$ is the initial location of the incident wave.

Similarly, for an internal point source located inside the domain at $a < x = x_s < b$

$$J_y(x,t) = J_0 \delta(x - x_s) s(t)$$
 (1.31)

where s(t) is the time function of the pulse.

In this case, in the updating equation (1.12) the discrete current source term is

$$J_{i}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \approx \frac{1}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i}^{e}-\frac{1}{2}\Delta x}^{x_{i}^{e}+\frac{1}{2}\Delta x} \delta(x-x_{s})s(t=(n+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t)dx$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Delta x}s((n+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t) & \text{if } x_{i}^{e}-\frac{1}{2}\Delta x \leq x_{s} < x_{i}^{e}+\frac{1}{2}\Delta x\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1.32)

There are several commonly used time functions, including

- (a) Gaussian pulse and its derivatives;
- (b) Blackman-Harris window (BHW) function and its derivatives:

$$s(t) = \begin{cases} \sum_{n=0}^{n=3} a_n \cos(2n\pi t/T) & \text{if } 0 \le t \le T \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1.33)

$$\begin{cases} a_0 = 0.35322222, a_1 = -0.488, \\ a_2 = 0.145, a_3 = -0.01022222 \end{cases}$$

The characteristic frequency of BHW function is defined as $f_{ch} = 1/T$. The maximum frequency of this PHW 1 pulse is

The maximum frequency of this BHW-1 pulse is

$$f_{max} \approx 3.351 f_{ch}$$



Figure § **1.11** Gaussian pulse (left), its first derivation (center) and second derivative (right). All three have infinite tails.



Figure § 1.12 Blackman-Harris window (BHW) function (top), its first derivative (BHW-1, center) and second derivative (BHW-2, bottom). All three have a finite duration $T = 1/f_{ch}$.



Figure § 1.13 The -40 dB truncation frequency f_{max} is related to the characteristic frequency of BHW-1 function as $f_{max} \approx 3.351 f_{ch}$.

1.2 The Finite Element Time Domain (FETD) Method

1.2.1 1-D Wave Equation for the Electric Field

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\mu_r^{-1}\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\epsilon_r(x)}{c^2}\frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial t^2} = -S_y, \quad x \in [a, b]$$
(1.34)

* the source term $S_y(x,t) = -\mu_0 \frac{\partial J_y}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\mu_r^{-1} M_z)}{\partial x}$

* $J_y \sim$ the electric current densities of the source

* $M_z \sim$ the magnetic current densities of the source This equation is the strong form of the wave equation. The weak form of the wave equation can be obtained by

- multiplying (1.34) with a testing function $w_m(x)$
- integrating over the interval [a, b]:

$$\int_{a}^{b} dx w_{m}(x) \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mu_{r}^{-1}(x) \frac{\partial E_{y}}{\partial x} - \frac{\epsilon_{r}(x)}{c^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2} E_{y}}{\partial t^{2}} \right] = -\int_{a}^{b} dx w_{m}(x) S_{y}(x,t)$$
(1.35)

Integrating by parts, we obtain the weak form equation

$$\int_{a}^{b} dx \left[-\frac{\partial w_m}{\partial x} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\epsilon_r(x)}{c^2} w_m(x) E_y \right]$$
$$= -\left[\mu_r^{-1}(x) w_m(x) \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} dx w_m(x) S_y(x,t)$$
$$= \mu_0 \left[w_m(x) \frac{\partial H_z(x,t)}{\partial t} \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} dx w_m(x) S_y(x,t) \qquad (1.36)$$

* $\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} = -\mu \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial t}$ has been used. Initial and boundary conditions must be applied to obtain unique solutions.

1.2.2 Perfect Electric-Conductor (PEC) Boundaries

As $E_y = 0$ is known at the outer boundaries, only the internal field need to be expanded in terms of basis functions $\{f_n(x)\}$:

$$E_y(x,t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} e_n(t) f_n(x)$$
 (1.37)

where $N = N_e - 1$ for the first-order basis functions.



Figure § 1.23 Perfect electric-conductor (PEC) boundaries.

The surface term vanishes, and the boundary unknowns are removed from the system.

With the Galerkin method, the semi-discretized equation

$$\mathbf{M}\frac{d^2\mathbf{e}}{dt^2} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{v} \tag{1.38}$$

The elements of the mass matrix and stiffness matrix are

$$M_{mn} = \int_{a}^{b} dx \epsilon_{r}(x) f_{m}(x) f_{n}(x) \equiv \langle f_{m}(x), \epsilon_{r}(x) f_{n}(x) \rangle_{\Omega}$$
$$S_{mn} = -c^{2} \int_{a}^{b} dx \frac{df_{m}}{dx} \mu_{r}^{-1} \frac{df_{n}}{dx} \equiv -c^{2} \langle f'_{m}(x), \mu_{r}^{-1} f'_{n}(x) \rangle_{\Omega}$$
$$v_{m} = -c^{2} \int_{a}^{b} dx f_{m} [\mu_{0} \frac{\partial J_{y}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\mu_{r}^{-1} M_{z})}{\partial x}]$$
$$\equiv -c^{2} \langle f_{m}, \mu_{0} \frac{\partial J_{y}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial (\mu_{r}^{-1} M_{z})}{\partial x} \rangle_{\Omega}$$

If there are N_e elements, the number of DoFs is $N = N_e - 1$. This is the **essential boundary condition**.

1.2.3 Perfect Magnetic-Conductor (PMC) Boundaries

Boundary E_y values remain unknowns, so $N = N_e + 1$ for first-order basis functions.

The surface term in (1.36) is zero as $H_z = 0$ at PMC boundaries.



The discretized equation remains the same as the PEC case except $N = N_e + 1$.

This PMC boundary condition is known as a **natural boundary condition** for E_y : Basis and testing functions do not explicitly satisfy the boundary condition.

1.2.4 Radiation Boundary Conditions

Radiation boundary conditions for an unbounded domain:

$$\frac{1}{\mu_L} \frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial x}|_{x=a} = -\frac{\partial H_z^{sct}}{\partial t}|_{x=a} = \frac{1}{\eta_L} \frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial t}|_{x=a}$$
(1.39)
$$1 \frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial t}|_{x=a} = \frac{1}{\eta_L} \frac{\partial E_y^{sct}}{\partial t}|_{x=a}$$
(1.39)

$$\frac{1}{\mu_R} \frac{\partial E_y^{\text{out}}}{\partial x}|_{x=b} = -\frac{\partial H_z^{\text{sur}}}{\partial t}|_{x=b} = -\frac{1}{\eta_R} \frac{\partial E_y^{\text{out}}}{\partial t}|_{x=b}$$
(1.40)

where $\eta_{L,R} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_{L,R}}{\epsilon_{L,R}}}$ are the wave impedance to the left and to the right of the domain, respectively, and are assumed real.



Figure § **1.25** Radiation Boundary Conditions.

The RBC for the total field $H_z = H_z^{inc} + H_z^{sct}$:

$$\dot{H}_{z}|_{x=a} = -\frac{1}{\eta_{L}} \dot{E}_{y}|_{x=a} + \frac{2}{\eta_{L}} \dot{E}_{yL}^{inc}|_{x=a}$$
(1.41)

$$\dot{H}_{z}|_{x=b} = \frac{1}{\eta_{R}} \dot{E}_{y}|_{x=b} - \frac{2}{\eta_{R}} \dot{E}_{yR}^{inc}|_{x=b}$$
(1.42)

where E_{yL}^{inc} and E_{yR}^{inc} are the incident electric field from left and from right sides, respectively.

Substituting the RBCs into (1.36) yields

$$\int_{a}^{b} dx \left[-\frac{\partial w_m}{\partial x} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\epsilon_r(x)}{c^2} w_m(x) \dot{E}_y \right]$$
$$-\mu_0 [\eta_R^{-1} w_m(b) \dot{E}_y(b,t) + \eta_L^{-1} w_m(a) \dot{E}_y(a,t)]$$
$$= -2\mu_0 \left[\eta_R^{-1} w_m(b) \dot{E}_{yR}^{inc}(b,t) + \eta_L^{-1} w_m(a) E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t) \right]$$
$$-\int_{a}^{b} dx w_m(x) S_y(x,t)$$
(1.43)

If there are N_e elements inside the domain, the number of DoFs is $N = N_e + 1$.

1.2.5 Galerkin's method with triangular functions



Testing and basis functions are both triangular (piecewise linear) functions.

$$M_{mn} = \int_{x_{m-1}}^{x_{m+1}} \epsilon_r(x) t_m(x) t_n(x) dx$$

=
$$\begin{cases} \frac{(1-\delta_{m,1})\epsilon_{r,m-1}\Delta x_{m-1}}{3} + \frac{(1-\delta_{m,N})k_0^2\epsilon_{r,m}\Delta x_m}{3} & \text{if } n = m \\ \frac{(1-\delta_{m,N})\epsilon_{r,m}\Delta x_m}{6} & \text{if } n = m+1 \\ \frac{(1-\delta_{m,1})\epsilon_{r,m-1}\Delta x_{m-1}}{6} & \text{if } n = m-1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v_{m} = -c_{0}^{2} \int_{x_{m-1}}^{x_{m+1}} dx t_{m}(x) S_{y}(x,t) -2\mu_{0} c_{0}^{2} \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1} \dot{E}_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_{L}} + \frac{\delta_{m,N} E_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_{R}} \right]$$

For a point electric current source $J_y = J_0 \delta(x - x_s)$ at x_s , we have $S_y = -\mu_0 J_0 \delta(x - x_s) \dot{s}(t)$, and

$$v_m = \mu_0 c_0^2 J_0 t_m(x_s) \dot{s}(t) - 2c_0^2 \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1} \dot{E}_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_L} + \frac{\delta_{m,N} \dot{E}_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_R} \right]$$

1.2.6 Elemental Matrices and Assembly

The above is the node-based approach to obtain FETD matrices.

An alternative way is the element-by-element approach, which is often preferred in multidimensions. The FETD matrices are first calculated element by element, then assembled globally.





The *m*-th element in 1D has two nodal points, x_m and x_{m+1} . We use p, q = 1, 2 as their local node indices in the *e*-th element.

- * Local elemental matrices $M_{pq}^{(e)}, S_{pq}^{(e)}$, and $v_p^{(e)}$.
- * Corresponding global indices when assembling the matrices

$$M_{mn} = \sum_{e}^{N_e} M_{pq}^{(e)}$$
$$S_{mn} = \sum_{e}^{N_e} S_{pq}^{(e)}$$
$$v_m = \sum_{e}^{N_e} v_p^{(e)}$$

The basis function written compactly with simplex coordinates,

$$t_p(x) \equiv \ell_p(x) = \frac{L_p}{L^{(e)}} = \frac{x_{p+1} - x}{x_{p+1} - x_p}, \quad p = 1, 2$$
 (1.44)

- * $L_p = x_{p+1} x$ is the "distance" of x to x_{p+1} .
- * $L^{(e)} = x_{p+1} x_p$ is the "distance" from x_p to x_{p+1} .
- * $\Delta x^{(e)} = |L^{(e)}| = |x_{p+1} x_p|$ is the positive element length.

The simplex coordinate ℓ_p is thus the relative length from the nodal point p + 1. Indices (p, q) = (1, 2) are cyclic with a period of 2:

- In other words, p + 2k = p for any integer k.
The elemental matrices

$$M_{mn} = \sum_{e=1}^{e=N_e} M_{pq}^{(1,e)}, \quad S_{mn} = \sum_{e=1}^{e=N_e} S_{pq}^{(2,e)}]$$
$$C_{mn} = -\mu_0 c_0^2 \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1} \delta_{n,1}}{\eta_L} + \frac{\delta_{m,N} \delta_{n,N}}{\eta_R} \right]$$

The local indices (p,q) are mapped to the global indices (m,n).

$$S_{pq}^{(e)} = -c_0^2 \int_{x_p}^{x_{p+1}} \frac{d\ell_p}{dx} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{d\ell_q}{dx} dx = -\frac{c_0^2}{L^{(e)}} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{d\ell_p}{d\ell_p} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{d\ell_q}{d\ell_p} d\ell_p$$
$$= \begin{cases} -\frac{c_0^2}{\mu_r^{(e)} \Delta x^{(e)}} & \text{if } q = p \\ \frac{c_0^2}{\mu_r^{(e)} \Delta x^{(e)}} & \text{if } q = p \pm 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$M_{pq}^{(e)} = \int_{x_p}^{x_{p+1}} \epsilon_r(x)\ell_p(x)\ell_q(x)dx = L^{(e)} \int_{0}^{1} \epsilon_r(x)\ell_p(x)\ell_q(x)d\ell_p$$
$$= \begin{cases} \frac{\epsilon_r^{(e)}\Delta x^{(e)}}{3} & \text{if } q = p\\ \frac{\epsilon_r^{(e)}\Delta x^{(e)}}{6} & \text{if } q = p \pm 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The excitation vector for a point electric source is

$$v_m = \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} v_p^{(e)} - 2\mu_0 c_0^2 \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1} \dot{E}_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_L} + \frac{\delta_{m,N} \dot{E}_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_R} \right]$$
$$v_p^{(e)} = \mu_0 c_0^2 J_0 t_p(x_s) \dot{s}(t)$$

1.2.7. Solution of Semi-Discrete Equation

$$\mathbf{M}\frac{d^2\mathbf{e}}{dt^2} + \mathbf{C}\frac{d\mathbf{e}}{dt} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{v}$$
(1.45)

We can rewrite this as a set of coupled first order ODEs

$$\mathbf{M}\frac{d\mathbf{\hat{e}}}{dt} + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{\dot{e}} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{v}$$
$$\mathbf{\dot{e}} = \frac{d\mathbf{e}}{dt}$$
(1.46)

Using a 2nd-order (instead of the better 4th-order) time integration yields

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = (\mathbf{M} + \frac{\Delta t}{2}\mathbf{C})^{-1}[(\mathbf{M} - \frac{\Delta t}{2}\mathbf{C})\dot{\mathbf{e}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} + \mathbf{S}\mathbf{e}^{n} + \mathbf{v}^{n}]$$
$$\mathbf{e}^{n+1} = \mathbf{e}^{n} + \Delta t\dot{\mathbf{e}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}$$

Note the diagonal mass matrix inversion is trivial and efficient.

Limitations of the low-order FETD method:

- * Low-order convergence error decreases slowly with the sampling density (SD)
- * A high SD is necessary: typically 20 points per wavelength (PPW) for $\rm Error_2 \leq 1\%$
- * Expensive and not very suitable for large-scale problems

Stability condition: Depending on the time integration scheme and properties of system matrices.

- For a PDE time-domain solver, the numerical dispersion error is linearly proportional to the length of time integration.
 - * To maintain an acceptable accuracy, the sampling rate must be increased accordingly if a longer time window is needed.

The required SD is determined by

- 1. the problem spatial size in terms of the wavelength, and
- 2. the length of time window in terms of the period.

Therefore, for a large-scale problem, the SD should be increased

- $\ast\,$ from the SD of a small-scale problem,
- * thus making large-scale problems even more challenging.

1.3 One-Dimensional PSTD Methods

The single-domain pseudospectral time-domain (PSTD) methods use

- (a) trigonometric functions
- (b) Chebyshev/Legendre polynomials

to approximate spatial derivatives with high accuracy.

The Fourier and Chebyshev PSTD methods have the spectral accuracy if the medium is very smooth.

1.3.1 Periodic 1D Problems

The spatial derivative can be found through a matrix notation.

A. Derivative Matrix for the 2nd-Order FD Method The central differencing scheme

$$u_m = \frac{df(x_m)}{dx} \approx \frac{f(x_{m+1}) - f(x_{m-1})}{2\Delta x}$$
 (1.47)

has a 2nd-order accuracy, i.e., the error is $O(\Delta x^2)$. This can be verified by Taylor expansion.

Now let's assume a set of periodic data, $\{f_m, m = 1, \cdots, N\}$

where $f_{m+N} = f_m$, for all integer m.

Written in terms of a differentiation matrix ${\cal D}$

$$\mathbf{u} = D\mathbf{f} \tag{1.48}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = [u_1, \cdots, u_N]^T, \quad \mathbf{f} = [f_1, \cdots, f_N]^T$$
(1.49)

$$D = \frac{1}{2\Delta x} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.50)

Note $D_{mn} = a_{m-n}$ is a Toeplitz matrix.

Another view: Interpolation with 2nd-order polynomials $p^{\left(2\right)}(x)$

$$f(x) \approx f_{m-1}\phi_{-1}^{(2)}(x) + f_m\phi_0^{(2)}(x) + f_{m+1}\phi_1^{(2)}(X)$$

= $\sum_{\ell=-1}^{1} f_{m+\ell}\phi_{\ell}^{(2)}(x), \quad x_{m-1} \le x < x_{m+1}$ (1.51)

where $\phi_m^{(2)}(x)$ are the Lagrange interpolation polynomials:

$$\phi_{-1}^{(2)}(x) = \frac{(x - x_m)(x - x_{m+1})}{2\Delta x^2}
\phi_0^{(2)}(x) = -\frac{(x - x_{m-1})(x - x_{m+1})}{\Delta x^2}
\phi_1^{(2)}(x) = \frac{(x - x_{m-1})(x - x_m)}{2\Delta x^2}$$
(1.52)



Figure § 3.01 Derivative matrix for the 2nd-Order FD method.

Hence the derivative at node x_m is given by

$$u_m = \frac{df(x_m)}{dx} = \sum_{\ell=-1}^{1} f_{m+\ell} \frac{d\phi_{\ell}^{(2)}(x_m)}{dx} \equiv D_{mn} f_n \qquad (1.53)$$

The matrix is given by

$$D_{mn} = \frac{1}{2\Delta x} [\delta_{n,m+1} - \delta_{n,m-1}] \equiv \frac{1}{2\Delta x} [\delta_{m-n+1,0} - \delta_{m-n-1,0}]$$
$$\equiv a_{m-n} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\Delta x}, & n = m+1\\ -\frac{1}{2\Delta x}, & n = m-1(1.54)\\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Again D is a Toeplitz matrix with

$$a_{k} = \frac{1}{2\Delta x} [\delta_{k-1,0} - \delta_{k+1,0}]$$

B. The 4th-Order FD Method

Similarly, for the fourth-order FD scheme, we have

$$f(x) \approx p^{(4)}(x) = \sum_{\ell=-2}^{2} f_{m+\ell} \phi_{\ell}^{(4)}(x), \quad x_{m-2} \le x < x_{m+2}$$
(1.55)

The derivative matrix is given by

$$D_{mn} \equiv a_{m-n} \\ = \frac{1}{12\Delta x} [8\delta_{m-n+1,0} - 8\delta_{m-n-1,0} - \delta_{m-n+2,0} + \delta_{m-n-2,0}] \\ = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{12\Delta x}, & n = m - 2 \\ -\frac{2}{3\Delta x}, & n = m - 1 \\ \frac{2}{3\Delta x}, & n = m - 1 \\ \frac{2}{3\Delta x}, & n = m + 1 \\ \frac{-1}{12\Delta x}, & n = m + 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

C. The Nth-Order FD Method

Similarly, for the N-th order FD scheme with all N points

$$D_{mn} = \frac{d\phi_{n-m}^{(N)}(x_m)}{dx}$$
(1.56)

where $\phi_{n-m}^{(N)}(x)$ are the N-th order Lagrange polynomials. The required N+1 data points are provided by

- the N points in the domain, and
- the additional point from the periodic boundary condition.

D. Trigonometric Interpolation and FFT Method

The period of the computational domain: $L = x_{max} - x_{min}$.

* Sampling points: $x_m = x_{min} + (m-1)\Delta x$

for
$$m = 0, \dots, N-1$$
 and $\Delta x = L/N$.

The periodic function is written as a truncated Fourier series

$$f(x) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{p=-N/2}^{N/2-1} \hat{f}_p e^{j2\pi p(x-x_0)/N\Delta x}$$
(1.57)

The Fourier series coefficients are

$$\hat{f}_{p} = \frac{N}{L} \int_{x_{min}}^{x_{max}} f(x) e^{-j2\pi p(x-x_{0})/N\Delta x} dx$$
$$\approx \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} f(x_{m}) e^{-j2\pi m p/N}$$
$$\equiv \{\text{DFT}[\mathbf{f}]\}_{p}$$
(1.58)

Thus, from (1.57), we have the spatial derivative

$$\frac{df(x_m)}{dx} \approx \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{p=-N/2}^{N/2-1} \frac{j2\pi p}{\Delta x} \hat{f}_p e^{j2\pi m p/N}$$
$$\equiv \frac{2\pi}{N\Delta x} \left\{ \text{DFT}^{-1}[jp\hat{f}_p] \right\}_m$$
$$= \frac{2\pi}{N\Delta x} \left\{ \text{DFT}^{-1}[jp\{\text{DFT}(\mathbf{f})\}_p] \right\}_m \quad (1.59)$$

When substituting the Fourier series coefficients \hat{f}_n into (1.57), one can obtain the explicit derivative matrix

$$\frac{df(x_m)}{dx} \approx \frac{2\pi}{N^2 \Delta x} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(x_n) \sum_{p=-N/2}^{N/2-1} jp e^{j2\pi(m-n)p/N}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(x_n) D_{mn}$$
(1.60)

$$D_{mn} = \frac{2\pi}{N^2 \Delta x} \sum_{p=-N/2}^{N/2-1} jp e^{j2\pi(m-n)p/N} \\ = \frac{\pi}{N \Delta x} (-1)^{m-n} \cot\left(\frac{(m-n)\pi}{N}\right) (1-\delta_{m-n,0}) \\ \equiv a_{m-n}$$
(1.61)

Therefore, the derivative matrix again is Toeplitz.

The derivative vector is given by

$$\frac{d\mathbf{f}}{dx} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{f} = \mathrm{D}\mathrm{F}\mathrm{T}^{-1}\left\{\mathrm{D}\mathrm{F}\mathrm{T}[\mathbf{f}] \cdot \mathrm{D}\mathrm{F}\mathrm{T}[\mathbf{a}]\right\}$$
(1.62)

This derivative costs $O(N \log N)$ operations by FFT.

The accuracy of this algorithm is "spectral" for an analytic function.

* The error decreases as $O(\alpha^N)$ where $0 < \alpha < 1$.

E. The Fourier PS Method

1-D time domain EM problem for $x \in [x_{min}, x_{max}]$

$$\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} = -\mu \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial t} - \sigma_m H_z - M_z \qquad (1.63)$$

$$\frac{\partial H_z}{\partial x} = -\epsilon \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} - \sigma_e E_y - J_y \tag{1.64}$$

with periodic boundary conditions

$$E_y(x+L,t) = E_y(x,t), \quad H_z(x+L,t) = H_z(x,t)$$
 (1.65)

where $L = x_{max} - x_{min}$, and appropriate initial conditions.

Spatial and Temporal Grids

In contrast to the FDTD method which uses a staggered grid,

- the Fourier PS method uses a collocated centered grid
- where all field components are located at the cell centers.

$$E_i^n \equiv E_y((i+\frac{1}{2})\Delta x, n\Delta t)$$

$$H_i^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \equiv H_z((i+\frac{1}{2})\Delta x, (n+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t)$$
(1.66)

where $\Delta x = \frac{L}{N}$. This centered grid provides an important advantage over FDTD

- * No need for material averaging in a staggered grid.
- * No need for field averaging in anisotropic media.

Note that the time step is still staggered for E and H.

Time Integration Scheme

For an isotropic medium, the central time differencing yields

$$\mathbf{H}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = C_{h1}\mathbf{H}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} - C_{h2}\{D_x[\mathbf{E}^n] + \mathbf{M}^n\}$$
(1.67)

$$\mathbf{E}^{n+1} = C_{e1}\mathbf{E}^n + C_{e2}\{D_x[\mathbf{H}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}] - \mathbf{J}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\}$$
(1.68)

• Here D_x denotes the derivative operator

$$D_x[\mathbf{f}] \equiv \frac{2\pi}{L} \left\{ \mathrm{DFT_x}^{-1} [jp\{\mathrm{DFT_x}[\mathbf{f}]\}_p] \right\}$$
(1.69)

The coefficients

$$C_{h1} = \frac{\mu - \Delta t \sigma_m/2}{\mu + \Delta t \sigma_m/2}, \quad C_{h2} = \frac{\Delta t}{\mu + \Delta t \sigma_m/2}$$
$$C_{e1} = \frac{\epsilon - \Delta t \sigma_e/2}{\epsilon + \Delta t \sigma_e/2}, \quad C_{e2} = \frac{\Delta t}{\epsilon + \Delta t \sigma_e/2}$$
(1.70)

The 4th-order Runge-Kutta method can also be used for better accuracy.

Source Implementation is the PSTD Method

A point source is a discrete Delta function, so it will suffer from the well-known Gibbs phenomenon.

* A point source is approximated as a smoothed source over a few (4-6) cells.

Example: $s(x) = S_0 \cdot BHW_0(x - x_s)$ where $x = x_s$ is the point source location.

* An alternative method is to solve for the scattered field.

1.3.2 A Bounded 1-D Problem

Many problems in practice are bounded and thus not periodic (for example, a PEC cavity). The Fourier PSTD method has following issues:

* The discontinuity at boundaries will create the Gibbs phenomena.

Furthermore, the wave field will "wrap around" (the wrap-around effect)

- because of the periodicity,
- thus corrupting the fields inside the computational domain.

In addition, the uniform interpolation points will cause the Runge phenomenon.

A. Gibbs' Phenomenon and Wrap-Around Effect

When the trigonometric interpolation

- is used to approximate a discontinuous function,
- it will introduce a large error near the discontinuities.
- This error is called the Gibbs' phenomenon.

Furthermore, when a non-periodic function

- is interpolated by the trigonometric interpolation method,
- it will create the wrap-around effect
- $^{\ast}\,$ when the wavefield from other periods will propagate into the interested domain.

B. The Runge Phenomenon

If a uniform grid is used in the Lagrange interpolation method to interpolate a non-periodic function,

- as one increases the order of the interpolation polynomials,
- the numerical error near the edges actually grows exponentially.
- This is the so-called Runge phenomenon for a uniform grid.

For uniform interpolation points

$$f(x) \approx \sum_{i=1}^{N+1} f_i \phi_{i-[N/2-1]}^{(N)}(x), \qquad |x| \le 1$$
 (1.71)

Runge phenomenon: The error increases exponentially with N near $x = \pm 1$.

To avoid this Runge phenomenon, the grid points are clustered near the edge.

A. Chebyshev Interpolation

The Chebyshev points:

- The grid density per unit length should change with ${\cal N}$
- so that the density is proportional to

$$\frac{N}{\pi\sqrt{1-\xi^2}}, \qquad \xi \in [-1,1]$$

An example is the Gauss-Chebyshev-Lobatto (GCL) points

$$\xi_m = -\cos(m\pi/N), \qquad m = 0, \cdots, N$$
 (1.72)

If $x_{min} \leq x \leq x_{max}$, we can first transform x into ξ by

$$x = J_x \xi + \frac{1}{2}(x_{min} + x_{max})$$

 $J_x = (x_{max} - x_{min})/2$ is the Jacobian of the transformation.

Given $\{f_m = f(x_m) = f(\xi_m)\}\ (m = 0, \cdots, N),\$

- the function can be interpolated by Lagrange polynomials

$$\phi_m^{(N)}(x) = \prod_{\substack{n=0, n \neq m}}^N \frac{(x-x_n)}{(x_m - x_n)}$$
$$= \prod_{\substack{n=0, n \neq m}}^N \frac{(\xi - \xi_n)}{(\xi_m - \xi_n)} = \phi_m^{(N)}(\xi), \quad m = 0, \cdots, N$$

The interpolation polynomial can be written into a closed form

$$\phi_m^{(N)}(\xi) = \frac{(1-\xi^2)T'_N(\xi)(-1)^{m+1+N}}{c_m N^2(\xi-\xi_m)}$$
(1.73)
$$c_m = 1 + \delta_{m,0} + \delta_{m,N}$$

Example: N = 1, then $\xi_0 = -1$, $\xi_1 = 1$

$$f(\xi) \approx \frac{1}{2}(1-\xi)f_0 + \frac{1}{2}(1+\xi)f_1$$
$$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{1}{J_x}[-\frac{1}{2}f_0 + \frac{1}{2}f_1]$$

At the grid points, the derivatives are

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_0\\u_1 \end{pmatrix} = D^{(1)} \begin{pmatrix} f_0\\f_1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{1.74}$$

The derivative matrix

$$D^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2J_x} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1\\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.75)

Similarly, if N = 2, then $\xi_0 = -1$, $\xi_1 = 0$, $\xi_2 = 1$, we have

$$f(\xi) = \frac{1}{2}\xi(\xi - 1)f_0 + (1 - \xi^2)f_1 + \frac{1}{2}\xi(1 + \xi)f_2$$
$$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{1}{J_x}\left[(\xi - \frac{1}{2})f_0 - 2\xi f_1 + (\xi + \frac{1}{2})f_2\right]$$

The derivative matrix

$$D^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2J_x} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 4 & -1\\ -1 & 0 & 1\\ 1 & -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1.76)

The general formula for an arbitrary positive integer ${\cal N}$

$$D_{mn}^{(N)} = \frac{1}{J_x} \cdot \begin{cases} \frac{c_m}{c_n} \frac{(-1)^{m+n}}{\xi_m - \xi_n} & m \neq n \\ -\frac{\xi_n}{2(1 - \xi_n^2)} & 1 \le m = n \le N - 1 \\ -\frac{2N^2 + 1}{6} & m = n = 0 \\ \frac{2N^2 + 1}{6} & m = n = N \\ c_m = 1 + \delta_{m,0} + \delta_{m,N} \end{cases}$$

The straightforward way to find the derivative needs to multiple this dense matrix $D_{mn}^{(N)}$ with the vector **f**

* It requires $O(N^2)$ operations.

This can be circumvented by the fast cosine transform. Since the Lagrange polynomials used above are of order N,

- * we can represent function f(x) equivalently
 - by Chebyshev polynomials up to order N.

Function f(x) can be expanded with Chebyshev polynomials $T_n(\xi) = \cos[n \cos^{-1}(\xi)]$:

$$f(\xi) = \sum_{n=0}^{N} a_n T_n(\xi)$$
 (1.77)

 a_n are the expansion coefficients. Examples of Chebyshev polynomials

$$T_{0}(\xi) = 1$$

$$T_{1}(\xi) = \xi$$

$$T_{2}(\xi) = 2\xi^{2} - 1$$

$$T_{3}(\xi) = 4\xi^{3} - 3\xi$$
(1.78)

For Chebyshev polynomials, some recursion relations are

$$T_{n+1}(\xi) = 2\xi T_n(\xi) - T_{n-1}(\xi)$$

$$\frac{T'_{n+1}(\xi)}{n+1} - \frac{T'_{n-1}(\xi)}{n-1} = 2T_n(\xi)$$

$$(1-\xi^2)T'_n(\xi) = -n\xi T_n(\xi) + nT_{n-1}(\xi)$$

$$2T_m(\xi)T_n(\xi) = T_{n+m}(\xi) + T_{|n-m|}(\xi)$$
(1.79)

Therefore, from $T_0(\xi)$ and $T_1(\xi)$,

one can obtain all higher-order Chebyshev polynomials. Then, using (1.77), one can obtain the derivative of $f(\xi)$

$$\frac{df(\xi)}{d\xi} = \sum_{n=0}^{N} a_n \frac{dT_n(\xi)}{d\xi} = \sum_{n=0}^{N} b_n T_n(\xi)$$
(1.80)

The coefficients $\{b_n\}$ can be derived through

the recursion relations of the Chebyshev polynomials.

With these relations, and by comparing (1.80) and derivative of (1.77), we have

$$\begin{cases}
 b_N = 0 \\
 b_{N-1} = 2Na_N \\
 b_{N-2} = 2(N-1)a_{N-1} \\
 b_{n-1} = b_{n+1} + 2na_n, \quad n = N-2, N-3, \cdots, 2 \\
 b_0 = a_1 + \frac{1}{2}b_2
\end{cases}$$
(1.81)

With the choice of the grid points in (1.72),

- we can obtain the coefficients $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$
- using the fast cosine transform (FCT) algorithm.

First, a_n can be obtained by the inverse fast cosine transform since

$$f(\xi_m) = \sum_{n=0}^{N} a_n T_n(\xi_m) = \sum_{n=0}^{N} a_n \cos[n \cos^{-1}(-\cos\frac{m\pi}{N})]$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N} a_n \cos n(\pi - \frac{m\pi}{N}) \qquad (1.82)$$

Step 1: Coefficients

$$\{a_n\} = FCT^{-1}[f(\xi_m)]$$
(1.83)

Step 2: $\{b_n\}$ can be obtained by $\{a_n\}$ from (1.81)

$$\{b_n\} = B[a_n] \tag{1.84}$$

Step 3: Derivative at the grid points

$$\{\frac{df(\xi_m)}{d\xi}\} = -\text{FCT}[b_n] = \sum_{n=0}^N b_n \cos n(\pi - \frac{m\pi}{N})$$
(1.85)

Symbolically, we can finally write the spatial derivative as

$$\left\{\frac{df(x_m)}{dx}\right\} \equiv D_{GCL}[\mathbf{f}] = -\frac{2}{L} \cdot \operatorname{FCT}[B\{\operatorname{FCT}^{-1}[f(\xi_m)]\}] \quad (1.86)$$

Thus, the cost of finding the derivative is $O(N \log N)$.

B. Legendre Interpolation

A similar approach can be

- developed for Legendre interpolation method.

However, in this case,

- the cost is in general $O(N^2)$
- as one cannot use the fast cosine transform algorithm
- to speed up the derivative computation.

Nevertheless, this is not a problem if $N \leq 16$ as it is usually faster to do the direct matrix-vector multiply than FCT for smaller N values.

C. 1-D Chebyshev PSTD Method

We can also use the collocated grid points for E_y and H_z . For an isotropic medium, the central time differencing yields

$$\mathbf{H}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = C_{h1}\mathbf{H}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} - C_{h2}\{D_{GCL}[\mathbf{E}^n] + \mathbf{M}^n\}$$
(1.87)

$$\mathbf{E}^{n+1} = C_{e1}\mathbf{E}^n + C_{e2}\{D_{GCL}[\mathbf{H}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}] - \mathbf{J}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\}$$
(1.88)

• Here D_{GCL} denotes the derivative operator in (1.86)

$$D_{GCL}[\mathbf{f}] = -\frac{2}{L} \cdot \text{FCT}[B\{\text{FCT}^{-1}[\mathbf{f}]\}]$$
(1.89)

The coefficients

$$C_{h1} = \frac{\mu - \Delta t \sigma_m/2}{\mu + \Delta t \sigma_m/2}, \quad C_{h2} = \frac{\Delta t}{\mu + \Delta t \sigma_m/2}$$
$$C_{e1} = \frac{\epsilon - \Delta t \sigma_e/2}{\epsilon + \Delta t \sigma_e/2}, \quad C_{e2} = \frac{\Delta t}{\epsilon + \Delta t \sigma_e/2}$$
(1.90)

The 4th-order Runge-Kutta method can also be used for better accuracy.

1.3.3 The PSTD Method for an Unbounded Domain

For an unbounded domain, waves will propagate to outside the domain. Wrap-around effect:

* The Fourier PS method makes waves travel periodically to the domain to corrupt the late time solutions.

Fortunately, the perfectly matched layer (PML) saves the day.

- * PML at one or both end attenuate waves without reflecting.
- * PML attenuation can be adjusted to make the wrap-around negligible.
- * Thus the Fourier PSTD can completely model unbounded media.

1-D time domain EM problem for $x \in [x_{min}, x_{max}]$ with the well-posed PML (GX Fan & QH Liu, 2001/2004)

$$\mu \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_z}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial x} - (\sigma_m + \omega_x \mu) \tilde{H}_z - \sigma_m \omega_x H_z^{(1)} - M_z$$

$$\epsilon \frac{\partial \tilde{E}_y}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{H}_z}{\partial x} - (\sigma_e + \omega_x \epsilon) \tilde{E}_y - \sigma_e \omega_x E_y^{(1)} - J_y$$

$$\frac{\partial E_y^{(1)}}{\partial t} = \tilde{E}_y - \omega_x E_y^{(1)}$$

$$\frac{\partial H_z^{(1)}}{\partial t} = \tilde{H}_z - \omega_x H_z^{(1)}$$
(1.91)

with periodic boundary conditions

$$\tilde{E}_y(x+L,t) = \tilde{E}_y(x,t), \quad \tilde{H}_z(x+L,t) = \tilde{H}_z(x,t) \quad (1.92)$$

where $L = x_{max} - x_{min}$, $\tilde{E}_y = E_y + \omega_x E_y^{(1)}$, $\tilde{H}_z = H_z + \omega_x H_z^{(1)}$.

Collocated Spatial Grid and Staggered Temporal Grid

$$\tilde{E}_{i}^{n} \equiv \tilde{E}_{y}\left((i+\frac{1}{2})\Delta x, n\Delta t\right)
\tilde{H}_{i}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \equiv \tilde{H}_{z}\left((i+\frac{1}{2})\Delta x, (n+\frac{1}{2})\Delta t\right)$$
(1.93)

Time Integration Scheme

$$\mathbf{H}^{(1),n} = A_{1}\mathbf{H}^{(1),n-1} + A_{2}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} \\
\mathbf{E}^{(1),n+\frac{1}{2}} = A_{1}\mathbf{E}^{(1),n-\frac{1}{2}} + A_{2}\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{n} \\
\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = C_{h1}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} - C_{h2}\{D_{x}[\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{n}] + \sigma_{m}\omega_{x}\mathbf{H}^{(1),n} + \mathbf{M}^{n}\} \\
\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{n+1} = C_{e1}\tilde{\mathbf{E}}^{n} + C_{e2}\{D_{x}[\tilde{\mathbf{H}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}] + \sigma_{e}\omega_{x}\mathbf{E}^{(1),n+\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{J}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}\} (1.94)$$

• Here D_x denotes the derivative operator

$$D_x[\mathbf{f}] \equiv \frac{2\pi}{L} \left\{ \text{DFT}_x^{-1} [jp\{\text{DFT}_x[\mathbf{f}]\}_p] \right\}$$
(1.95)

The coefficients

$$A_{1} = \frac{1 - \omega_{x}\Delta t/2}{1 + \omega_{x}\Delta t/2}, \quad A_{2} = \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \omega_{x}\Delta t/2}$$

$$C_{h1} = \frac{\mu - \Delta t(\sigma_{m} + \omega_{x}\mu)/2}{\mu + \Delta t(\sigma_{m} + \omega_{x}\mu)/2}, \quad C_{h2} = \frac{\Delta t}{\mu + \Delta t(\sigma_{m} + \omega_{x}\mu)/2}$$

$$C_{e1} = \frac{\epsilon - \Delta t(\sigma_{e} + \omega_{x}\epsilon)/2}{\epsilon + \Delta t(\sigma_{e} + \omega_{x}\epsilon)/2}, \quad C_{e2} = \frac{\Delta t}{\epsilon + \Delta t(\sigma_{e} + \omega_{x}\epsilon)/2}$$

The 4th-order Runge-Kutta method can also be used for better accuracy.

1.3.4 Dispersion Analysis and Stability Condition

Sample wave equation for $x \in [0, L]$

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial t} = 0, \quad x \in [0,L], \quad t \ge 0$$
(1.96)

with a periodic boundary condition u(0,t) = u(L,t) and an initial condition $u(x,0) = e^{i\omega x/c}$. This PDE has an exact solution

$$u(x,t) = e^{i\omega(x/c-t)}$$
(1.97)

In FD and PS methods, there can be numerical dispersion errors in spatial and temporal discretization.

A. Approximations of Spatial Derivatives

$$\frac{\partial u(x,t)}{\partial x} \approx \mathcal{D}_x\{u(x,t)\}$$

where the derivative operator is given by

$$\mathcal{D}_{x}f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2\pi}{L} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \Big\{ jp[\mathcal{F}(f)]_{p} \Big\}, & \text{PS} \\ \frac{P/2}{\sum_{p=1}^{P/2} \frac{a_{p}}{\Delta x}} [f(x+(p-\frac{1}{2})\Delta x) - f(x-(p-\frac{1}{2})\Delta x)], & \text{FD} \end{cases}$$
(1.98)

The 2nd-order FD method: P = 2 and $a_1 = 1$; The 4th-order FD method: P = 4, $a_1 = 27/24$, and $a_2 = -1/24$.

For the PS method, \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}^{-1} denote the forward and inverse discrete Fourier transforms through an FFT algorithm.

B. Phase Dispersion Errors

Nyquist theorem for a smooth band-limited signal: D_x is exact in PS as long as $\omega \leq \pi c/\Delta x$ (i.e., $\Delta x \leq \lambda/2$ where λ is the wavelength). The phase error is zero. The FD method gives a solution $u_{FD}(x,t) = e^{i\omega(x/c-\beta t)}$ with

$$\beta(\omega) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{P/2} a_j \sin[(j-1/2)\omega\Delta x/c]}{(\omega\Delta x/2c)}$$

The phase (or dispersion) error is

$$e(\omega, t) = \omega t [1 - \beta(\omega)]$$

This dispersion error is linearly proportional to time. The FD method requires a large SD for a long time window.

Dispersion Analysis and Stability Condition

The dispersion relations for the FDTD and PSTD methods in a homogeneous lossless medium are

$$\sin\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2} = \begin{cases} \frac{c\Delta t}{2}\sqrt{k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2}, & \text{PSTD} \\ \frac{c\Delta t}{\Delta x}\sqrt{\sum_{\eta=x,y,z} \left\{\sum_{j=1}^{P/2} a_j \sin^2[k_\eta \Delta \eta(j-1/2)]\right\}^2}, & \text{FDTD} \end{cases}$$
(1.99)

The corresponding CFL stability conditions can also be written compactly as

$$\frac{c\Delta t}{\Delta x} \le \frac{1}{\alpha\sqrt{D}}$$

for a problem of dimensionality D, where $\alpha = 1$ for FDTD, and $\alpha = \pi/2 \approx 1.5708$ for PSTD.

The stability condition for the PSTD method is a factor of $\pi/2 \approx 1.57$ more stringent than the FDTD method for the same Δx .

However, because of much larger Δx afforded by the PSTD method, Δt in the Fourier PSTD method

- need not be smaller than the FDTD method
- for the same accuracy.

In practice, for large-scale problems without small geometrical features finer than a quarter wavelength, the choice of Δt in the Fourier PSTD method

* is usually dictated by the accuracy

rather than the stability consideration.

1.4 The Spectral Element Method in Frequency Domain

The above PSTD methods are for smooth media. For large-scale highly discontinuous media, the spectral element method in time domain will be used. But we will first consider the **SEM in frequency domain**.

1.4.1. Gauss-Legendre-Lobatto (GLL) Polynomials

* A special set of Lagrangian interpolation polynomials with the nodal points located at the Gauss-Legendre-Lobatto (GLL) points.

In a 1-D standard reference element $\xi \in [-1, 1]$

The N-th order GLL basis functions are defined by

$$\phi_j^{(N)}(\xi) = \frac{-1}{N(N+1)L_N(\xi_j)} \frac{(1-\xi^2)L'_N(\xi)}{(\xi-\xi_j)}, \quad j = 0, \cdots, N$$
(1.100)

where $L_N(\xi)$ is the *N*-th order Legendre polynomial, and $L'_N(\xi)$ is its derivative.

Within the element $\xi \in [-1, 1]$ the nodal points $\{\xi_j\}$ are the **GLL points**: The (N + 1) roots of equation

$$(1 - \xi_j^2) L_N'(\xi_j) = 0 \tag{1.101}$$

Note that $\xi_0 = -1, \, \xi_N = 1.$

Legendre polynomials satisfy the Legendre differential equation

$$\frac{d}{d\xi} [(1-\xi^2)\frac{L_N(\xi)}{d\xi}] + N(N+1)L_N(\xi) = 0$$
(1.102)

These polynomials can be written as

$$L_N(\xi) = \frac{1}{2^N N} \frac{d^N}{d\xi^N} [(\xi^2 - 1)^N]$$
(1.103)

Orthogonal relation

$$\int_{-1}^{1} L_m(\xi) L_n(\xi) d\xi = \frac{2}{2n+1} \delta_{mn}$$
(1.104)

Examples of Legendre polynomials

$$L_{0}(\xi) = 1$$

$$L_{1}(\xi) = \xi$$

$$L_{2}(\xi) = \frac{1}{2}(3\xi^{2} - 1)$$

$$L_{3}(\xi) = \frac{1}{2}(5\xi^{3} - 3\xi)$$

The derivative matrix with the GLL points is (Canuto et al., 1988)

$$D_{mn}^{(N)} = \frac{1}{J_x} \cdot \begin{cases} \frac{L_N(\xi_m)}{L_N(\xi_n)(\xi_m - \xi_n)} & \text{if } m \neq n \\ -\frac{N(N+1)}{4} & \text{if } m = n = 0 \\ \frac{N(N+1)}{4} & \text{if } m = n = N \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

GLL Quadrature

The integration of a smooth function f(x) by GLL quadrature:

$$I = \int_{x_{min}}^{x_{max}} f(x)dx = |J_x| \int_{-1}^{1} f(x(\xi))d\xi \approx |J_x| \sum_{p=1}^{N} w_p f(x(\xi_p)) (1.105)$$

where $\{w_n\}$ are the weights of the GLL quadrature. This is exact if f(x) is a polynomial of degree 2N - 1 or smaller.

Special Case: For $f(x) = \phi_m^{(N)}(\xi)\phi_n^{(N)}(\xi)$

$$I_{m,n} = \int_{x_{min}}^{x_{max}} f(x)dx = |J_x| \int_{-1}^{1} \phi_m^{(N)}(\xi)\phi_n^{(N)}(\xi)d\xi$$
$$\approx |J_x| \sum_{p=0}^{N} w_p \phi_m^{(N)}(\xi_p)\phi_n^{(N)}(\xi_p) = |J_x|w_m \delta_{m,n} \qquad (1.106)$$

since for a Lagrange interpolation function $\phi_m^{(N)}(\xi_p) = \delta_{m,p}$.

1.4.2. The SEM in Frequency Domain

1-D Helmholtz equation for a domain with complex $\mu_r(x)$ and $\epsilon_r(x)$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\mu_r^{-1}\frac{dE_y}{dx} + k_0^2\epsilon_r E_y = -S_e \tag{1.107}$$

where $S_e = \frac{d(\mu_r^{-1}M_{iz})}{dx} - j\omega\mu_0 J_y$. Spectral element expansion within each element (note the continuity between elements)

$$E_y(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} e_n \phi_n(x), \quad x \in [x_{min}^{(e)}, x_{max}^{(e)}]$$
(1.108)

The basis and testing functions will use the GLL polynomials.

Weak form Helmholtz equation

$$\int_{a}^{b} dx \left[-\frac{dw_{m}}{dx} \cdot \mu_{r}^{-1}(x) \frac{dE_{y}}{dx} + k_{0}^{2} \epsilon_{r}(x) w_{m}(x) E_{y}(x) \right]$$

$$= -\left[\mu_{r}^{-1}(x) w_{m}(x) \frac{dE_{y}}{dx} \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} dx w_{m}(x) S_{y}(x)$$

$$= j \omega \mu_{0} \left[w_{m}(x) H_{z}(x) \right]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} dx w_{m}(x) S_{y}(x) \qquad (1.109)$$

Radiation boundary conditions

$$H_{z}(x=a) = [H_{zL}^{inc} + H_{zL}^{sct}]_{x=a} = \frac{1}{\eta_{L}} [2E_{zL}^{inc} - E_{z}]_{x=a}$$
$$H_{z}(x=b) = [H_{zR}^{inc} + H_{zR}^{sct}]_{x=b} = \frac{1}{\eta_{R}} [-2E_{zR}^{inc} + E_{z}]_{x=b}$$
(1.110)

where $\eta_{L,R} = \sqrt{\mu/\epsilon}|_{x=a^-,b^+}$ are impedances for x < a and x > b.

Weak form Helmholtz equation with radiation BCs

$$\int_{a}^{b} dx \left[-\frac{dw_{m}}{dx} \cdot \mu_{r}^{-1}(x) \frac{dE_{y}}{dx} + k_{0}^{2} \epsilon_{r}(x) w_{m}(x) E_{y}(x) \right] -j\omega [\eta_{L}^{-1} w_{m}(a) E_{y}(a) + \eta_{R}^{-1} w_{m}(b) E_{y}(b)] = -j2\omega \left[\eta_{L}^{-1} w_{m}(a) E_{yL}^{inc}(a) + \eta_{R}^{-1} w_{m}(b) E_{yR}^{inc}(b) \right] - \int_{a}^{b} dx w_{m}(x) S_{y}(x)$$
(1.111)

We choose both testing and basis functions as the GLL polynomials $\phi_n.$

SEM Impedance Matrix and Excitation Vector

$$Z_{mn} = \int_{a}^{b} dx \left[-\frac{d\phi_{m}}{dx} \cdot \mu_{r}^{-1}(x) \frac{d\phi_{n}}{dx} + k_{0}^{2} \epsilon_{r}(x) \phi_{m}(x) \phi_{n}(x) \right]$$
$$-j\omega [\eta_{R}^{-1} \phi_{m}(b) \phi_{n}(b) + \eta_{L}^{-1} \phi_{m}(a) \phi_{n}(a)]$$
$$= Z_{mn}^{(1)} + Z_{mn}^{(2)} - j\omega \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1} \delta_{n,1}}{\eta_{L}} + \frac{\delta_{m,N} \delta_{n,N}}{\eta_{R}} \right]$$

$$V_{m} = -\int_{a}^{b} dx \phi_{m}(x) S_{y}(x)$$

$$-j2\omega \left[\eta_{R}^{-1} \phi_{m}(b) E_{yR}^{inc}(b) + \eta_{L}^{-1} \phi_{m}(a) E_{yL}^{inc}(a)\right]$$

$$= -\int_{a}^{b} dx \phi_{m}(x) S_{y}(x) - j2\omega \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1} E_{yL}^{inc}(a)}{\eta_{L}} + \frac{\delta_{m,N} E_{yR}^{inc}(b)}{\eta_{R}}\right]$$

The elemental SEM impedance matrix

$$Z_{mn} = \sum_{e=1}^{e=N_e} [Z_{pq}^{(1,e)} + Z_{pq}^{(2,e)}] - j\omega \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1}\delta_{n,1}}{\eta_L} + \frac{\delta_{m,N}\delta_{n,N}}{\eta_R}\right]$$

Local indices (p,q) are mapped to the global indices (m,n).

$$Z_{pq}^{(1,e)} = -\int_{x_{min}^{(e)}}^{x_{max}^{(e)}} \frac{d\phi_p}{dx} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{d\phi_q}{dx} dx = -\frac{2}{L^{(e)}} \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{d\phi_p}{d\xi} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{d\phi_q}{d\xi} d\xi$$
$$= -\frac{2}{L^{(e)}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} \frac{w_n}{\mu_r(x(\xi_n))} \frac{d\phi_p(\xi_n)}{d\xi} \frac{d\phi_q(\xi_n)}{d\xi}$$

$$Z_{pq}^{(2,e)} = k_0^2 \int_{x_{min}^{(e)}}^{x_{max}^{(e)}} \epsilon_r(x)\phi_p(x)\phi_q(x)dx$$

= $k_0^2 \frac{L^{(e)}}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} \epsilon_r(x(\xi))\phi_p(\xi)\phi_q(\xi)d\xi$
= $k_0^2 \frac{L^{(e)}}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} w_n \epsilon_r(x(\xi_n))\phi_p(\xi_n)\phi_q(\xi_n)$
= $k_0^2 \frac{L^{(e)}}{2} w_p \epsilon_r(x(\xi_p))\delta_{p,q}$

This gives a diagonal elemental mass matrix.

The excitation vector for sources is

$$V_m = \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} V_p^{(e)} - j2\omega \left[\frac{\delta_{m,1} E_{yL}^{inc}(a)}{\eta_L} + \frac{\delta_{m,N} E_{yR}^{inc}(b)}{\eta_R} \right]$$

$$V_p^{(e)} = \frac{L^{(e)}}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} w_n [j \omega \mu_0 J_y(x(\xi_n)) \phi_p(\xi_n) + \frac{2M_z(x(\xi_n))}{\mu_r(x(\xi_n))L^{(e)}} \frac{d\phi_p(\xi_n)}{d\xi}]$$

= $\frac{j \omega \mu_0 L^{(e)}}{2} J_y(x(\xi_p)) w_p + \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} w_n \frac{M_z(x(\xi_n))}{\mu_r(x(\xi_n))} \frac{d\phi_p(\xi_n)}{d\xi}$

for smooth sources, where the M_z has been evaluated by integration by parts, assuming that the magnetic current at the element boundaries are zero. For point sources $J_y = J_0 \delta(x - x_J)$ and $M_z = M_0 \delta(x - x_M)$,

$$V_p^{(e)} = j\omega\mu_0 J_0 \phi_p(\xi(x_J)) + \frac{M_0}{\mu_r(x_M)} \frac{d\phi_p(\xi(x_M))}{d\xi}$$

A Note on the Source Implementation

To preserve the high-order convergence, the source excitation implementation should be careful when the source is a nonsmooth function inside an element. In that case, it is better to solve for the scattered field instead of total field in the source element (or even including the adjacent elements). The other elements can still use the total field. This is the total-field/scattered-field (TF/SF) formulation. Alternative way: Approximate the singular source by a smoothed source.

Once these matrix and vector are assembled, the solution can be easily obtained by

$$\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{Z}^{-1} \mathbf{V}$$

1.5. The Spectral Element Time Domain Method

1.5.1. The SETD Method for 1-D Wave Equation

To avoid basis functions for both fields, we consider the 1-D wave equation for the special case where $\sigma_m = 0$:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\mu_r^{-1}\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{c^2}\epsilon_r\frac{\partial^2 E_y}{\partial t^2} - \mu_0\sigma_e\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} = -S_e \qquad (1.112)$$

where $c = 1/\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$ and $S_e = \frac{\partial(\mu_r^{-1} M_{iz})}{\partial x} - \mu_0 \frac{\partial J_{iy}}{\partial t}$. Spectral element expansion within each element (note the continuity between elements)

$$E_y(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} e_n(t)\phi_n(x)$$
 (1.113)

$$H_z(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_H} h_n(t)\psi_n(x)$$
 (1.114)

The choice of basis functions should be carefully considered.

The Weak Form Helmholtz Equation in Time Domain

Weak form Helmholtz equation with radiation BCs

$$\int_{a}^{b} dx \left[-\frac{dw_m}{dx} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{dE_y}{dx} - w_m(x) \left\{ \frac{1}{c^2} \epsilon_r(x) \frac{\partial^2 E_y(x,t)}{\partial t^2} + \mu_0 \sigma_e \frac{\partial E_y(x,t)}{\partial t} \right\} \right] - \left[\eta_L^{-1} w_m(a) \frac{\partial E_y(a,t)}{\partial t} + \eta_R^{-1} w_m(b) \frac{\partial E_y(b,t)}{\partial t} \right] = -2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\eta_L^{-1} w_m(a) E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t) + \eta_R^{-1} w_m(b) E_{yR}^{inc}(b,t) \right] - \int_{a}^{b} dx w_m(x) S_y(x,t)$$
(1.115)

Both testing and basis functions will be the GLL polynomials.

Radiation Boundary Conditions in Time Domain

$$\mu_r^{-1}(a)\frac{\partial E_y(a,t)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial H_z(a,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\eta_L} [2\dot{E}_{yL}^{inc} - \dot{E}_y]_{x=a} \quad (1.116)$$
$$\mu_r^{-1}(b)\frac{\partial E_y(b,t)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial H_z(b,t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\eta_R} [-2\dot{E}_{yR}^{inc} + \dot{E}_y]_{x=b} \quad (1.117)$$

where a dot over a variable denotes its time derivative.

The elemental SETD matrices:

$$\begin{split} S_{pq}^{(e)} &= -\int_{x_{min}^{(e)}}^{x_{max}^{(e)}} \frac{d\phi_p}{dx} \cdot \mu_r^{-1}(x) \frac{d\phi_q}{dx} dx = -\frac{2}{L^{(e)}} \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} \frac{w_n \phi_p'(\xi_n) \phi_q'(\xi_n)}{\mu_r(x(\xi_n))} \\ M_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \frac{1}{c^2} \int_{x_{min}^{(e)}}^{x_{max}^{(e)}} \epsilon_r(x) \phi_p(x) \phi_q(x) dx = \frac{L^{(e)}}{2c^2} w_p \epsilon_r(x(\xi_p)) \delta_{p,q} \\ C_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \mu_0 \int_{x_{min}^{(e)}}^{x_{max}^{(e)}} \sigma_e(x) \phi_p(x) \phi_q(x) dx + \frac{\phi_p(\xi) \phi_q(\xi)|_a}{\eta_L} + \frac{\phi_p(\xi) \phi_q(\xi)|_b}{\eta_R} \\ &= \left[\frac{\mu_0 L^{(e)}}{2} w_p \sigma_e(x(\xi_p)) + \frac{\delta_{e,1} \delta_{p,0}}{\eta_L} + \frac{\delta_{e,N_e} \delta_{p,N_E}}{\eta_R} \right] \delta_{p,q} \end{split}$$

Note the diagonal elemental mass matrices for ϵ_r and σ_e .

The excitation vector for sources is

$$v_p = \sum_{e=1}^{N_e} v_p^{(e)} - 2\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\frac{\delta_{p,1} E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_L} + \frac{\delta_{p,N} E_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_R} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_p^{(e)} &= \frac{L^{(e)}}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} w_n [\mu_0 \dot{J}_y(x(\xi_n), t) \phi_p(\xi_n) + \frac{2\dot{M}_z(x(\xi_n), t)}{\mu_r(x(\xi_n))L^{(e)}} \frac{d\phi_p(\xi_n)}{d\xi}] \\ &= \frac{\mu_0 L^{(e)}}{2} \dot{J}_y(x(\xi_p), t) w_p + \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} w_n \frac{\dot{M}_z(x(\xi_n), t)}{\mu_r(x(\xi_n))} \frac{d\phi_p(\xi_n)}{d\xi} \end{aligned}$$

for smooth sources, where the M_z term has been evaluated by integration by parts, assuming that the magnetic current at the element boundaries are zero. For point sources $J_y = J_0(t)\delta(x - x_J)$ and $M_z = M_0(t)\delta(x - x_M)$,

$$v_p^{(e)} = \mu_0 \dot{J}_0(t)\phi_p(\xi(x_J)) + \frac{\dot{M}_0(t)}{\mu_r(x_M)} \frac{d\phi_p(\xi(x_M))}{d\xi}$$

The System Equation in Time Domain

$$\mathbf{M}\frac{d^2\mathbf{e}}{dt^2} + \mathbf{C}\frac{d\mathbf{e}}{dt} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{v}$$
(1.118)

We can rewrite this as a set of coupled first order ODEs

$$\mathbf{M}\frac{d\dot{\mathbf{e}}}{dt} + \mathbf{C}\dot{\mathbf{e}} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{v}$$
$$\dot{\mathbf{e}} = \frac{d\mathbf{e}}{dt}$$
(1.119)

Using a 2nd-order (instead of the better 4th-order) time integration yields

$$\dot{\mathbf{e}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = (\mathbf{M} + \frac{\Delta t}{2}\mathbf{C})^{-1}[(\mathbf{M} - \frac{\Delta t}{2}\mathbf{C})\dot{\mathbf{e}}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} + \mathbf{S}\mathbf{e}^{n} + \mathbf{v}^{n}]$$
$$\mathbf{e}^{n+1} = \mathbf{e}^{n} + \Delta t\dot{\mathbf{e}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}}$$

Note the diagonal mass matrix inversion is trivial and efficient.

Magnetic field from electric field

Once the electric field is solved, \mathbf{H} can be obtained by Faraday's law

$$\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} \quad -M_z \tag{1.120}$$

By central time differencing, we have

$$\mathbf{b}_{z}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \mathbf{b}_{z}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} - \Delta t (\mathbf{D}\mathbf{e}^{n} + \mathbf{m}_{z}^{n})$$
(1.121)

where **D** is the derivative matrix. B_z is in general **not continuous** between adjacent elements.

1.5.2. The SETD Method for 1st-Order EH Equations

1-D time domain EM problem for $x \in [a, b]$

$$\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} = -\mu \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial t} - \sigma_m H_z - M_z \qquad (1.122)$$

$$\frac{\partial H_z}{\partial x} = -\epsilon \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} - \sigma_e E_y - J_y \qquad (1.123)$$

Spectral element expansion within each element (note the continuity between elements)

$$E_y(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} e_n(t)\phi_n(x), \quad H_z(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_H} h_n(t)\psi_n(x) (1.124)$$

The choice of basis functions should be carefully considered.

Weak Form Equations

Integration by parts for the magnetic field

$$\begin{split} \langle \phi_m, \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial x} \rangle_{\Omega} &= -\langle \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x}, H_z \rangle_{\Omega} + [\phi_m H_z]_a^b = -\langle \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x}, H_z \rangle_{\Omega} \\ &+ \frac{[\phi_m (-2E_{yR}^{inc} + E_y)]_b}{\eta_R} - \frac{[\phi_m (2E_{yL}^{inc} - E_y)]_a}{\eta_L} \end{split}$$

Weak form equations

$$\langle \psi_m, \mu \frac{\partial H_z}{\partial t} \rangle_{\Omega} = -\langle \psi_m, \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} - \sigma_m H_z - M_z \rangle_{\Omega}$$
(1.125)

$$\langle \phi_m, \epsilon \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} \rangle_{\Omega} = \langle \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x}, H_z \rangle_{\Omega} - \langle \phi_m, \sigma_e E_y + J_y \rangle_{\Omega}$$
$$- \frac{[\phi_m (-2E_{yR}^{inc} + E_y)]_b}{\eta_R} + \frac{[\phi_m (2E_{yL}^{inc} - E_y)]_a}{\eta_L} (1.126)$$

The above boundary terms are zero for PEC and PMC outer boundaries. Furthermore, removal of the corresponding E unknowns on the PEC boundary is needed.

The System Equation in Time Domain

$$\mathbf{M}_{e}\dot{\mathbf{e}} = \mathbf{S}_{h}\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{C}_{e}\mathbf{e} - \mathbf{j} \qquad (1.127)$$

$$\mathbf{M}_h \dot{\mathbf{h}} = -\mathbf{S}_e \mathbf{e} - \mathbf{C}_h \mathbf{h} - \mathbf{m}$$
(1.128)

The elemental SETD matrices are:

$$\begin{split} M_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \phi_p, \epsilon \phi_q \rangle_{\Omega_e} = \frac{1}{2} w_p^{(N_E)} L^{(e)} \epsilon(x_p) \delta_{p,q} \\ M_{h,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \psi_p, \mu \psi_q \rangle_{\Omega_e} = \frac{1}{2} w_p^{(N_H)} L^{(e)} \mu(x_p) \delta_{p,q} \\ C_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \phi_p, \sigma_e \phi_q \rangle_{\Omega_e} + \delta_{e,1} \left[\phi_p \cdot \frac{\phi_0}{\eta_L} \right]_{x=a} + \delta_{e,N_e} \left[\phi_p \cdot \frac{\phi_{N_E}}{\eta_L} \right]_{x=b} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} w_p^{(N_E)} L^{(e)} \sigma_e(x_p) \delta_{p,q} + \delta_{e,1} \delta_{p,0} / \eta_L + \delta_{e,N_e} \delta_{p,N_E} / \eta_R \\ C_{h,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \psi_p, \sigma_m \psi_q \rangle_{\Omega_e} = \frac{1}{2} w_p^{(N_H)} L^{(e)} \sigma_m(x_p) \delta_{p,q} \\ S_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \psi_p, \phi_q' \rangle_{\Omega_e} = w_p^{(N_H)} \phi_q'(\xi_p) \\ S_{h,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \phi_p', \psi_q \rangle_{\Omega_e} = \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} w_n^{(N_E)} \phi_p'(\xi_n) \psi_q(\xi_n) \approx w_p^{(N_H)} \phi_q'(\xi_p) \end{split}$$

The elemental excitation vectors for smooth sources are

$$\begin{split} j_{p}^{(e)} &= \langle \phi_{p}, J_{y} \rangle + \frac{2E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_{L}} \delta_{p,0} \delta_{e,1} + \frac{2E_{yR}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_{R}} \delta_{p,N_{E}} \delta_{e,N_{e}} \\ &= \frac{L^{(e)}}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{N_{E}} w_{n}^{(N_{E})} J_{y}(x_{n},t) \phi_{p}(\xi_{n}) \\ &+ \frac{2E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_{L}} \delta_{p,0} \delta_{e,1} + \frac{2E_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_{R}} \delta_{p,N_{E}} \delta_{e,N_{e}} \\ &= \frac{L^{(e)} w_{p}^{(N_{E})} J_{y}(x_{p},t)}{2} + \frac{2E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_{L}} \delta_{p,0} \delta_{e,1} + \frac{2E_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_{R}} \delta_{p,N_{E}} \delta_{e,N_{e}} \\ &= \frac{M_{p}^{(e)}(b,t)}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{N_{H}} w_{n}^{(N_{H})} M_{z}(x_{n},t) \psi_{p}(\xi_{n}) = \frac{L^{(e)} w_{p}^{(N_{H})} M_{z}(x_{p},t)}{2} \end{split}$$

for smooth sources, where the M_z term has been evaluated by integration by parts, assuming that the magnetic current at the element boundaries are zero.

For point sources $J_y = J_0(t)\delta(x - x_J)$ and $M_z = M_0(t)\delta(x - x_M)$,

$$\begin{aligned} j_p^{(e)} &= J_0(t)\phi_p(\xi(x_J)) + \frac{2E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_L}\delta_{p,0}\delta_{e,1} + \frac{2E_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_R}\delta_{p,N_E}\delta_{e,N_e} \\ m_p^{(e)} &= M_0(t)\psi_p(\xi(x_M)) \end{aligned}$$

But again it's better to used TF/SF formulation or smoothed sources in this case.
The Time Integration for \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{H}

By using central differencing we can obtain

$$\mathbf{h}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = (\mathbf{M}_h + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_h)^{-1} [(\mathbf{M}_h - \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_h) \mathbf{h}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} - \Delta t (\mathbf{S}_e \mathbf{e}^n + \mathbf{m}^n)]$$
$$\mathbf{e}^{n+1} = (\mathbf{M}_e + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_e)^{-1} [(\mathbf{M}_e - \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_e) \mathbf{e}^n + \Delta t (\mathbf{S}_h \mathbf{h}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{j}^{n+\frac{1}{2}})]$$

Note the diagonal elemental matrices for \mathbf{M}_e , \mathbf{M}_h , \mathbf{C}_e and \mathbf{C}_h , so the above matrix inversion is trivial and efficient.

Remarks: Higher order (such as the 4th-order) Runge-Kutta methods can be used to improve time integration accuracy.

1.5.3. The SETD Method for 1st-Order EB Equations

The above discussions hint a better 1-D time domain EM system based on EB (or similarly DH) fields

$$\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} - \sigma_m \mu^{-1} B_z - M_z \tag{1.129}$$

$$\epsilon \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \mu^{-1} B_z}{\partial x} - \sigma_e E_y - J_y \tag{1.130}$$

Spectral element expansion within each element (note the continuity between elements)

$$E_y(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_E} e_n(t)\phi_n(x), \quad B_z(x,t) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_B} b_n(t)\psi_n(x)$$
(1.131)

where in fact B_z does not need to be continuous between elements in 1D, so here $\psi_n(x)$ is only defined within each element.

Weak Form Equations

Integration by parts for the magnetic field yields the weak form equations

$$\langle \psi_m, \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial t} \rangle_{\Omega} = -\langle \psi_m, \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial x} - \sigma_m \mu^{-1} B_z - M_z \rangle_{\Omega} \quad (1.132)$$

$$\langle \phi_m, \epsilon \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial t} \rangle_{\Omega} = \langle \frac{\partial \phi_m}{\partial x}, \mu^{-1} B_z \rangle_{\Omega} + \langle \phi_m, \sigma_e E_y + J_y \rangle_{\Omega}$$

$$- \frac{[\phi_m (-2E_{yR}^{inc} + E_y)]_b}{\eta_R} - \frac{[\phi_m (2E_{yL}^{inc} - E_y)]_a}{\eta_L} \quad (1.133)$$

The above boundary terms are zero for PEC and PMC outer boundaries. Furthermore, removal of the corresponding E unknowns on the PEC boundary is needed.

The System Equation in Time Domain

$$\mathbf{M}_e \dot{\mathbf{e}} = \mathbf{S}_b \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{C}_e \mathbf{e} - \mathbf{j} \tag{1.134}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_b \dot{\mathbf{b}} = -\mathbf{S}_e \mathbf{e} - \mathbf{C}_b \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{m}$$
(1.135)

The elemental SETD matrices are:

$$\begin{split} M_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \phi_{p}, \epsilon \phi_{q} \rangle_{\Omega_{e}} = \frac{1}{2} w_{p}^{(N_{E})} L^{(e)} \epsilon(x_{p}) \delta_{p,q} \\ M_{b,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \psi_{p}, \psi_{q} \rangle_{\Omega_{e}} = \frac{1}{2} w_{p}^{(N_{B})} L^{(e)} \delta_{p,q} \\ C_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \phi_{p}, \sigma_{e} \phi_{q} \rangle_{\Omega_{e}} + \delta_{e,1} \left[\phi_{p} \cdot \frac{\phi_{0}}{\eta_{L}} \right]_{x=a} + \delta_{e,N_{e}} \left[\phi_{p} \cdot \frac{\phi_{N_{E}}}{\eta_{L}} \right]_{x=b} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} w_{p}^{(N_{E})} L^{(e)} \sigma_{e}(x_{p}) \delta_{p,q} + \delta_{e,1} \delta_{p,0} / \eta_{L} + \delta_{e,N_{e}} \delta_{p,N_{E}} / \eta_{R} \\ C_{b,p}^{(e)} \langle \psi_{p}, \sigma_{m} \mu^{-1} \psi_{q} \rangle_{\Omega_{e}} = \frac{\sigma_{m}(x_{p})}{2\mu(x_{p})} w_{p}^{(N_{B})} L^{(e)} \delta_{p,q} \\ S_{e,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \psi_{p}, \phi_{q}' \rangle_{\Omega_{e}} = w_{p}^{(N_{B})} \phi_{q}'(\xi_{p}) \\ S_{b,pq}^{(e)} &= \langle \phi_{p}', \mu^{-1} \psi_{q} \rangle_{\Omega_{e}} = \sum_{n=0}^{N_{E}} \frac{w_{n}^{(N_{E})}}{\mu(x_{n}^{(N_{E})})} \phi_{p}'(\xi_{n}) \psi_{q}(\xi_{n}) \approx \frac{w_{p}^{(N_{B})}}{\mu(x_{n}^{(N_{B})})} \phi_{q}'(\xi_{p}) \end{split}$$

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for smooth sources, where the M_z term has been evaluated by integration by parts, assuming that the magnetic current at the element boundaries are zero.

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$$\begin{aligned} j_p^{(e)} &= J_0(t)\phi_p(\xi(x_J)) + \frac{2E_{yL}^{inc}(a,t)}{\eta_L}\delta_{p,0}\delta_{e,1} + \frac{2E_{yR}^{inc}(b,t)}{\eta_R}\delta_{p,N_E}\delta_{e,N_e} \\ m_p^{(e)} &= M_0(t)\psi_p(\xi(x_M)) \end{aligned}$$

But again it's better to used TF/SF formulation or smoothed sources in this case.

The Time Integration for \mathbf{E} and \mathbf{B}

By using central differencing we can obtain

$$\mathbf{b}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = (\mathbf{M}_b + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_b)^{-1} [(\mathbf{M}_b - \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_b) \mathbf{b}^{n-\frac{1}{2}} - \Delta t (\mathbf{S}_e \mathbf{e}^n + \mathbf{m}^n)]$$
$$\mathbf{e}^{n+1} = (\mathbf{M}_e + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_e)^{-1} [(\mathbf{M}_e - \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathbf{C}_e) \mathbf{e}^n + \Delta t (\mathbf{S}_b \mathbf{b}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - \mathbf{j}^{n+\frac{1}{2}})]$$

Note the diagonal elemental matrices for \mathbf{M}_e , \mathbf{M}_b , \mathbf{C}_e and \mathbf{C}_b , so the above matrix inversion is trivial and efficient.

Remarks: Higher order (such as the 4th-order) Runge-Kutta methods can be used to improve time integration accuracy.

EB Formulation Versus EH Formulation

The EH Formulation

- Basis functions for H_z and E_y both continuous across elements.
- Spurious modes in 3D if $N_H = N_E$ compatibility issue. How about 1D?
- More unknowns to obtain the N_E -order accuracy, as $N_H = N_E + 1$.
- The $E_n H_{n+1}$ scheme.

The EB (or DH) formulation

- \bullet Basis functions for B_z discontinuous across elements.
- No spurious modes.
- $N_B = N_E 1$ produces the N_E -order accuracy.
- Fewer unknowns than the EH formulation.

Thus, the EB formulation is favored.

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Numerical Flux for Interfaces Between Subdomains

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Note that twice integration by parts yields the second equation

 (E^{*}_y, H^{*}_z) is the numerical flux at subdomain interfaces between adjacent subdomains





Transformation matrix

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \eta & -\eta \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{V}^{-1} = \frac{1}{2\eta} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \eta \\ -1 & \eta \end{bmatrix}$$







• Characteristics for $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm c$ $\widetilde{\mathbf{u}}_{1,2} = \mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{u} = \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}\left(t - \frac{x}{\lambda_{1,2}}\right) = \widetilde{\mathbf{u}}\left(t \mp \frac{x}{c}\right)$









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$$\begin{aligned} a_{ee}^{ii} &= \frac{Y^{i}}{Y^{i} + Y^{j}} - 1, \qquad a_{eb}^{ii} &= -\frac{1}{\mu^{i}(Y^{i} + Y^{j})} \\ a_{ee}^{ij} &= \frac{Y^{j}}{Y^{i} + Y^{j}}, \qquad a_{eb}^{ij} &= \frac{1}{\mu^{j}(Y^{i} + Y^{j})} \\ a_{bb}^{ii} &= \frac{Z^{i}/\mu^{i}}{Z^{i} + Z^{j}}, \qquad a_{be}^{ii} &= -\frac{1}{(Z^{i} + Z^{j})} \\ a_{bb}^{ij} &= \frac{Z^{j}/\mu^{j}}{Z^{i} + Z^{j}}, \qquad a_{be}^{ij} &= \frac{1}{(Z^{i} + Z^{j})} \end{aligned}$$



• Final weak form equations

$$\begin{cases}
\left(\phi_{m}^{i}, \epsilon \frac{\partial E_{y}^{i}}{\partial t} + \sigma_{e} E_{y}^{i} + J_{y}\right)_{\Omega^{i}} \\
= \left(\partial_{x} \phi_{m}^{i}, (\mu^{i})^{-1} B_{z}\right)_{\Omega^{i}} - \left(\phi_{m}^{i}, a_{bb}^{ii} B_{z}^{i} + a_{be}^{ij} E_{y}^{i} + a_{be}^{ij} E_{y}^{j} + a_{bb}^{ij} B_{z}^{j}\right)_{\partial\Omega^{i}} \\
\left(\psi_{m}^{i}, \frac{\partial B_{z}^{i}}{\partial t} + \frac{\sigma_{m}}{\mu} B_{z}^{i} + M_{z}\right)_{\Omega^{i}} \\
= -\left(\psi_{m}^{i}, \partial_{x} E_{y}^{i}\right)_{\Omega^{i}} - \left(\psi_{m}^{i}, a_{ee}^{ii} E_{y}^{i} + a_{eb}^{ii} B_{z}^{i} + a_{ee}^{ij} E_{y}^{j} + a_{eb}^{ij} B_{z}^{j}\right)_{\partial\Omega^{i}}$$









 Explicit Singly Diagonally Implicit RK (ESDIRK) Butcher Tableau

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 Coefficients *b* and *c* are exactly the same for Ex-RK and ESDIRK













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- Discontinuous approximation across element interfaces
 - Face-based communication between adjacent elements
 - Support hp adaptivity
 - Spectral accuracy with p
 - High-order accuracy with *h*
 - Amenable to parallel computation
 - Weakly enforcement of differential equations and B.C.s





Nodal DGTD Methods



Each element is one subdomain

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- Scalar basis functions can be used
- At an interface between two elements, the DoFs are redundant (thus more DoFs than continuous Galerkin)



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$$\begin{split} \int_{D} L_i \nabla \times \mathbf{E} dv &= \int_{D} \nabla \times (L_i \mathbf{E}) dv - \int_{D} \nabla L_i \times \mathbf{E} dv. \\ \int_{D} \nabla \times (L_i \mathbf{E}) dv &= \oint_{\delta D} L_i \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{E}^* |d\mathbf{s}|, \\ \int_{D} L_i \nabla \times \mathbf{E} dv &= \oint_{\delta D} L_i \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{E}^* |d\mathbf{s}| - \int_{D} \nabla L_i \times \mathbf{E} dv. \\ \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{E}^* |_{\delta D} &= \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \frac{(Y\mathbf{E} - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{H})^- + (Y\mathbf{E} + \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{H})^+}{Y^- + Y^+}, \\ \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{H}^* |_{\delta D} &= \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \frac{(Z\mathbf{H} + \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{E})^- + (Z\mathbf{H} - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{E})^+}{Z^- + Z^+} \underbrace{\text{Upwind Flux}} \end{split}$$

Upwind Flux for 2D (Similar for 3D)

$$\begin{pmatrix}
H^{n} \\
H^{\tau} \\
E^{z}
\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}
\cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\
-\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}
H^{x} \\
H^{y} \\
E^{z}
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mu \frac{\partial H^{n}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial E^{z}}{\partial \tau}, \quad \mu \frac{\partial H^{\tau}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial E^{z}}{\partial n}, \quad \varepsilon \frac{\partial E^{z}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial H^{\tau}}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial H^{n}}{\partial \tau}$$

$$C^{-}, Z^{-} C^{+}, Z^{+}$$

$$M \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{A} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial n} + \mathbf{B} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial \tau} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
W_{1} \\
W_{2} \\
W_{3}
\end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{S}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix}
H^{\tau} \\
E^{z} \\
H^{n}
\end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix}
-\eta & \eta & 0 \\
1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1
\end{pmatrix}$$
Upwind components W_{1-} and W_{2+} are not affected by interface.
 W_{2-} and W_{1+} are modified by the interface through BCs

$$\begin{pmatrix}
E^{z} \\
H^{\tau} \\
U^{-} \\
U^{-} \\
H^{-} \\
U^{-} \\
U^{-} \\
U^{-} \\
W_{2-} \\
U^{-} \\
W_{2-} \\
U^{-} \\
W_{2-} \\
W_{2-} \\
W_{2-} \\
W_{2+} \\$$





where $W_{1-}^c = W_{1-}$ and $W_{2+}^c = W_{2+}$.

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 $W_3 = H^n$ is a non-propagating wave and does not need to be corrected.

$$E_{\mathbf{z}}^{*} = \frac{Y^{-}E_{z}^{-} + Y^{+}E_{z}^{+}}{Y^{-} + Y^{+}} + \frac{H_{\tau}^{+} - H_{\tau}^{-}}{Y^{-} + Y^{+}}$$
$$H_{\tau}^{*} = \frac{Z^{-}H_{\tau}^{-} + Z^{+}H_{\tau}^{+}}{Z^{-} + Z^{+}} + \frac{E_{z}^{+} - E_{z}^{-}}{Z^{-} + Z^{+}}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix}H_{\tau}^{*}\\H_{\pm,c}^{y}\\E_{\pm,c}^{z}\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}\cos\theta & -\sin\theta & 0\\\sin\theta & \cos\theta & 0\\0 & 0 & 1\end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}H_{\tau}^{\tau}\\H_{\pm}^{n}\\E_{c}^{z}\end{pmatrix}$$





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- **Regular Prisms**
- Cubes



- Low Order
- Different order in different domain







- Face-Based Communication by interpolation
- Domain Decomposition Strategies

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- Use large cubes as much as possible
- Use tetrahedrons or prisms to capture boundary curvature
- Use methods with proper orders
 - For large cubes, use high-order method
 - For fine details, use low-order method
 - For tetrahedrons for curved objects, use low-order order method
 - Try to avoid a wide rage of time steps



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Potential Drawbacks of the Nodal DGTD Method



- Each subdomain must be one element, so the boundary DoFs are always redundant. For lower order methods, this can produce much more DoFs than the CGTD method.
- For implicit regions, the redundant DoFs do not bring noticeable benefits.

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• Numerical experiments show that long term instability may be an issue, although filtering can reduce this problem.

3.2 Vector (Subdomain) DGTD Method with EH Fields



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Outline

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- Multiscale electromagnetic problems
- A non-spurious mixed finite element method (FEM)
- A non-spurious mixed spectral element method (SEM)
- The hybrid FEM/SEM spatial discretization
- The hybrid implicit-explicit (IMEX) time stepping
- Numerical examples
- Conclusion and future work







- explicit scheme: very small Δt
- implicit scheme: inversion of matrices





Hybrid method based on domain decomposition

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Galerkin's weak form and surface integration

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integration



Galerkin's weak form with integration by parts

$$\int_{V} \mathbf{\Phi} \cdot \left(\epsilon \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + \sigma_{e} \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J}_{s} \right) dV = \int_{V} \nabla \times \mathbf{\Phi} \cdot \mathbf{H} dV + \int_{S} \mathbf{\Phi} \cdot (\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{H}) dS$$
$$\int_{V} \mathbf{\Psi} \cdot \left(\mu \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} + \sigma_{m} \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M}_{s} \right) dV = -\int_{V} \nabla \times \mathbf{\Psi} \cdot \mathbf{E} dV - \int_{S} \mathbf{\Psi} \cdot (\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}) dS$$

surface integration

Riemann solver for interface between adjacent subdomains

$$(\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{H}) = \frac{\mathbf{n} \times \left(Z^{(i)} \mathbf{H}^{(i)} + Z^{(j)} \mathbf{H}^{(j)} \right) + \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{n} \times \left(\mathbf{E}^{(i)} - \mathbf{E}^{(j)} \right)}{Z^{(i)} + Z^{(j)}}$$

$$(\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{E}) = \frac{\mathbf{n} \times \left(Y^{(i)} \mathbf{E}^{(i)} + Y^{(j)} \mathbf{E}^{(j)}\right) - \mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{n} \times \left(\mathbf{H}^{(i)} - \mathbf{H}^{(j)}\right)}{Y^{(i)} + Y^{(j)}}$$













block Gauss-Seidel, SOR, CG, BiCG, etc. can also be employed here

 $\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{M}_{1} - \Delta t a_{k,k}^{\mathrm{im}} \mathbf{L}_{(1,1)} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{M}_{2} - \Delta t a_{k,k}^{\mathrm{im}} \mathbf{L}_{(2,2)} \end{array} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{1} \\ \mathbf{u}_{2} \end{bmatrix}^{i+1} = \Delta t a_{k,k}^{\mathrm{im}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{L}_{(1,2)} \\ \mathbf{L}_{(2,1)} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{1} \\ \mathbf{u}_{2} \end{bmatrix}^{i} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{1} \\ \mathbf{q}_{2} \end{bmatrix}$

 $\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{M}_2 \end{bmatrix} - \Delta t a_{k,k}^{\text{im}} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{(1,1)} & \mathbf{L}_{(1,2)} \\ \mathbf{L}_{(2,1)} & \mathbf{L}_{(2,2)} \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \end{bmatrix}$

(subdomain-based) block Jacobian iteration

implicit RK









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3.3 Vector (Subdomain) DGTD Method with EB Fields

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Summary (L. Tobon & Q. Ren)

- 1. A unified framework based on the theory of differential forms and the finite element method. It is used to analyze the discretization of the Maxwell's equations.
- 2. Numerical analysis based on modal analysis for one- and two- dimensional spectral elements. Comparison with analytical formulas of numerical dispersion based on semidiscrete analysis.
- *3. Study of dispersive Hodge Operator.* Phase velocity analysis provides same conclusion as previous dispersion analysis.
- 4. Implementation, analysis and application of Spectral-Prism element for EH DGTD; including single domain performance analysis, and applications to multiple domain and multi-layered EM cases.
- 5. Formulation, implementation and application of new LDU algorithm for highly multiscale EM cases decomposed in sequential order.
- 6. Implementation of first and second order divergence-conforming tetrahedral element for EB DGTD; including single domain performance analysis, and applications to multiple domain and multiscale EM cases.
- 7. DGTD for anisotropic media.

Maxwell's Equations

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$$\mathbb{H}_{P}$$





 3^{r_d} order reference element







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Comparison of EH and EB Basis Functions



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	DoFs comparison	
	Tetrahedron	Hexahedron
$\mathbf{E}_{1}\mathbf{H}_{2}$	26	66
$\mathbf{E}_1 \mathbf{B}_1$	10	18
$\mathbf{E}_{2}\mathbf{H}_{3}$	92	180
$\mathbf{E}_2\mathbf{B}_2$	35	90
$\mathbf{E}_{3}\mathbf{H}_{4}$		408
$\mathbf{E}_{3}\mathbf{B}_{3}$		252

EB Scheme has much less DoFs
































EB Scheme Upwind Flux DG Formulation

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Weak Forms of Maxwell's Equations with DG

$$\int_{V} \hat{\Phi}^{i} \cdot (\varepsilon_{r} \frac{\partial \hat{E}^{i}}{\partial t} + \frac{\sigma_{e}}{\varepsilon_{0}} \hat{E}^{i} + \frac{\sqrt{\mu_{0}}}{\varepsilon_{0}} \mathbf{J}^{i}) dV = c_{0} \int_{V} \nabla \times \hat{\Phi}^{i} \cdot \mu_{r}^{-1} \hat{B}^{i} dV + c_{0} \int_{S} \hat{\Phi}^{i} \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times \mu_{r}^{-1} \hat{B}^{i}) dS$$

$$\int_{V} \hat{\Psi}^{i} \cdot (\frac{\partial \hat{B}^{i}}{\partial t} + \frac{\sigma_{m}}{\mu} \hat{B}^{i} + \frac{\mathbf{M}^{i}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_{0}}}) dV = -c_{0} \int_{V} \hat{\Psi}^{i} \cdot \nabla \times \hat{E}^{i} dV + c_{0} \int_{V} \hat{\Psi}^{i} \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times \hat{E}^{i}) dS - c_{0} \int_{S} \Psi^{i} \cdot (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times \hat{E}^{i}) dS$$

$$\hat{B} = \mathbf{B} / \sqrt{\varepsilon_{0}}$$

$$EB Scheme Riemann Solver$$

$$(\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times \mathbf{E}^{t}) = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times (Y^{i} \mathbf{E}^{i} + Y^{j} \mathbf{E}^{j})}{Y^{i} + Y^{j}} - \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times (\mu_{j} \mathbf{B}^{i} - \mu_{i} \mathbf{B}^{j})}{\mu_{i} \mu_{j} (Y^{i} + Y^{j})}$$

$$(\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times \mu^{-1} \mathbf{B}^{t}) = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times (\mu_{j} Z^{i} \mathbf{B}^{i} + \mu_{i} Z^{j} \mathbf{B}^{j})}{\mu_{i} \mu_{j} (Z^{i} + Z^{j})} - \frac{\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times \hat{\mathbf{n}}^{i} \times (\mathbf{E}^{i} - \mathbf{E}^{j})}{Z^{i} + Z^{j}}$$

Multiscale Computational Electromagnetics in Time Domain Part 2 DUKE QH<mark>L/DGT</mark> **Non-Conformal Mesh** Allow a sharp change of element Allow different kinds of elements size Non-conformal mesh applies to any element type. Shared Interface DUKE

DGTD, EB scheme

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$$\mathbf{M}_{ee}^{(i)} \frac{d\mathbf{e}^{(i)}}{dt} = \mathbf{K}_{eb}^{(i)} \mathbf{b}^{(i)} + \mathbf{C}_{ee}^{(i)} \mathbf{e}^{(i)} + \mathbf{j}^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^{N} \mathbf{L}_{eb}^{(ij)} \mathbf{b}^{(j)}, \ i = 1, \dots N$$
$$\mathbf{M}_{bb}^{(i)} \frac{d\mathbf{b}^{(i)}}{dt} = \mathbf{K}_{be}^{(i)} \mathbf{e}^{(i)} + \mathbf{C}_{bb}^{(i)} \mathbf{b}^{(i)} + \mathbf{m}^{(i)} + \sum_{j=1}^{N} \mathbf{L}_{be}^{(ij)} \mathbf{e}^{(j)}, \ i = 1, \dots N$$

$$(\mathbf{L}_{eb}^{(ij)})_{pq} = \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{\Phi}_{p}^{E,(i)}, (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{(i)} \times \frac{\mathbf{\Psi}_{q}^{B,(j)}}{\mu^{(j)}}) \rangle_{S_{ij}}$$

$$(\mathbf{L}_{be}^{(ij)})_{pq} = \frac{1}{2} \langle \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{p}^{B,(i)}, (\hat{\mathbf{n}}^{(i)} \times \boldsymbol{\Phi}_{q}^{E,(j)}) \rangle_{S_{ij}}$$



DGTD, Cavity case



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- 1. The EB scheme is more accurate than EH scheme.
- 2. Dispersion error in the E1H2 scheme is very high.
- 3. Numerical dispersion in the E2B2 scheme is the lowest.



DG-TD, Time Stepping schemes

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Rewritting previous DGTD equations

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$$\mathbf{M}^{(i)} \frac{d\mathbf{v}^{(i)}}{dt} = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \mathbf{L}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{v}^{(j)} + \mathbf{f}^{(i)}, \ i = 1, \dots N$$

	Accuracy	Stability	CPU time	Memory	Cases
ExRK	High	Conditional	Fast	Low	EH, EB, high order elements
ImExRK	Middle	Conditional	fast	Medium	EH, EB, multiscale structures
CN-GS	Low	Unconditional	Slow	Medium	EH, EB, small structures
CN-BT	High	Unconditional	Fast	High	EH, EB, sequential cases
CN-LDU	High	Unconditional	Fast	Medium	EH, sequential cases

ExRK	ExRK		ExRK	ExRK		CN- GS	CN- GS		CN-BT CN- LDU		rse
	ExRK			ImRK			CN- GS			CN-BT CN- LDU	Fine

DG-TD, ImEx Runge-Kutta	EDUKE EDMIND J. FRAIT, R. SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING
$\mathbf{v}_{n+1}^{(i)} = \mathbf{v}_{n}^{(i)} + \Delta t \sum_{k=1}^{s} b_{k} \mathbf{u}_{k}^{(i)}, i = 1, \cdots, N_{\text{im}} + N_{\text{im}}$ Explicit $\mathbf{M}^{(i)} \mathbf{u}_{k}^{(i)} = \sum_{j=N_{\text{im}}+1}^{N_{\text{im}}} \mathbf{L}^{(ij)} \left(\mathbf{v}_{n}^{(j)} + \Delta t \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} a_{k,l}^{\text{ex}} \mathbf{u}_{l}^{(j)} \right) \\ + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{im}}} \mathbf{L}^{(ij)} \left(\mathbf{v}_{n}^{(j)} + \Delta t \sum_{l=1}^{k} a_{k,l}^{\text{im}} \mathbf{u}_{l}^{(j)} \right) \\ + \mathbf{f}^{(i)}(t_{n} + c_{k} \Delta t)$ $\mathbf{M}^{(i)} = \sum_{j=N_{\text{im}}+1}^{N_{\text{im}}+N_{\text{ex}}} \mathbf{L}^{(ij)} \left(\mathbf{v}_{n}^{(j)} + \Delta t \sum_{l=1}^{k} a_{k,l}^{\text{im}} \mathbf{u}_{l}^{(j)} \right) \\ + \mathbf{f}^{(i)}(t_{n} + c_{k} \Delta t)$	$V_{\text{ex}} = \mathbf{f}^{(i)}(t_n + c_k \Delta t)$ $\sum_{l=1}^{1} a_{k,l}^{\text{im}} \mathbf{u}_l^{(j)} \end{pmatrix}$ $+ \Delta t \sum_{l=1}^{k-1} a_{k,l}^{\text{ex}} \mathbf{u}_l^{(j)} \end{pmatrix}$
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5.9 hours for one simulation using **FDTD**

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1 Frequency (GHz)

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COMPUTATIONAL COSTS

	Explicit FDTD	Implicit DGTD	Gain
Number of unknowns	3.5 millions	138514	25
Δt	0.36 fs	2 ps	5700
Number of steps for 8 ns	22.8 millions	4000	5700
CPU time per time step (s)	0.0117	0.6	0.02
Total CPU time (s)	265712	2400	110
Memory (MB)	56	1340	0.04







		IDID	DGID	gam
Unkno	owns	1.1 TDoF	1.6 MDoF	1e6
Mem	ory	24 GB	$9.5~\mathrm{GB}$	2.5
\triangle	t	11 fs	25 fs	2.3
CPU	time	10 d 13 h 4m	1 d 18 h 8 m	6

0.3 Time (ns) 0.2

0.4 0.5

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0.1 0.2 0.3 Time (ns) 0.4 0.5 0.6



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Time Domain Anisotropic PML (2)







Anisotropic M-PML Case (1)

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Space-Time Separated Non-Conformal TF/SF BC for VBF (1)











Anisotropic Time Domain Half Space TF/SF Boundary Condition



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The M-PML is divided into two halves, each half has the same material as the physical domain it is matched for.





Negative Refraction (2)

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Negative Refraction (5)



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More cases are simulated.

They all agree with the analytical solution.

The relative errors of incidence and refraction angles (respect to energy) are all less than 1%.









- The novel coupling method of PML with wave • equation based DGTD shows good accuracy;
- Energy evolution for a long time window is ٠ observed, and no instability occurs, demonstrating that PML works properly in the novel coupling method.

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100 200 300 Time (ns)











3.5 Vector DGTD Method for Coupling SE, FE and FDTD Methods



Vector (Subdomain) DGTD Method to couple SE, FE and FDTD methods

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Implicit-Explicit CN-LF Time Integration

FDTD region (LF)

(1) $\mathbf{E}^{n-1/2}$ to $\mathbf{E}^{n+1/2}$

 $\mathbf{E^{n+1/2}}$ at Interface $1 \leftarrow \mathbf{B^n}$ in both FDTD and buffer;

(2) B^n to B^{n+1}

 $\mathbf{B^{n+1}}$ at Interface $1 \leftarrow \mathbf{E^{n+1/2}}$ at Interface 1;

SETD/FETD and buffer regions

(3) Sub-step 1: pseudo-forward Euler (buffer zone)

$$\mathbf{M}_{ee}^{(i)} \frac{\mathbf{e}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(i)} - \mathbf{e}_{n}^{(i)}}{\Delta t/2} = \sum_{j=1}^{N} (\mathbf{L}_{eb}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n}^{(j)} + \mathbf{L}_{ee}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{e}_{n}^{(j)}) + \mathbf{j}_{n+\frac{1}{4}}^{(i)};$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{bb}^{(i)} \frac{\mathbf{b}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(i)} - \mathbf{b}_{n}^{(i)}}{\Delta t/2} = \sum_{jex} (\mathbf{L}_{bb}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n}^{(j)} + \mathbf{L}_{be}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{e}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(j)}) + \sum_{jim} (\mathbf{L}_{bb}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n}^{(j)} + \mathbf{L}_{be}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{e}_{n}^{(j)}) + \mathbf{m}_{n+\frac{1}{4}}^{(i)};$$

(4) Sub-step 2: Crank-Nicolson (SETD/FETD region)

$$\mathbf{M}^{(i)} \frac{\mathbf{u}_{n+1}^{(i)} - \mathbf{u}_{n}^{(i)}}{\Delta t} = \sum_{j_{ex}} \mathbf{L}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{u}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(j)} + \sum_{j_{im}} \mathbf{L}^{(i,j)} \frac{\mathbf{u}_{n+1}^{(j)} + \mathbf{u}_{n}^{(j)}}{2} + \mathbf{q}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}$$

(5) Sub-step 3: reversed pseudo-forward Euler (buffer zone)

$$\mathbf{M}_{bb}^{(i)} \frac{\mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(i)} - \mathbf{b}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(i)}}{\Delta t/2} = \sum_{j_{ex}} (\mathbf{L}_{be}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{e}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(j)} + \mathbf{L}_{bb}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(j)}) + \sum_{j_{im}} (\mathbf{L}_{be}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{e}_{n+1}^{(j)} + \mathbf{L}_{bb}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(j)}) + \mathbf{m}_{n+\frac{3}{4}}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(j)}) + \mathbf{m}_{n+\frac{3}{4}}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(i,j)} + \mathbf{m}_{n+\frac{3}{4}}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(i,j)} + \mathbf{m}_{n+\frac{3}{4}}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+\frac{3}{4}}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(i,j)$$

$$\mathbf{I}_{ee}^{(i)} \frac{\mathbf{e}_{n+1}^{(i)} - \mathbf{e}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(i)}}{\Delta t/2} = \sum_{j_{ex}} (\mathbf{L}_{ee}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{e}_{n+\frac{1}{2}}^{(j)} + \mathbf{L}_{eb}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(j)}) + \sum_{j_{im}} (\mathbf{L}_{ee}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{e}_{n+1}^{(j)} + \mathbf{L}_{eb}^{(i,j)} \mathbf{b}_{n+1}^{(j)}) + \mathbf{j}_{n+\frac{3}{4}}^{(i)}$$



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• The hybrid method consumes lower computational overheads than FDTD.




