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Frequency Domain Analysis of GPR Dipole Antenna using Galerkin-Bubnov Indirect Boundary Element Method

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Historical note on modeling in electromagnetics

- Electromagnetics as a rigorous theory started when James Clerk Maxwell derived his celebrated four equations and published this work in the famous treatise in 1865.
- In addition to Maxwell's equations themselves, relating the behaviour of EM fields and sources we need:
 - \checkmark the constitutive relations of the medium
 - the imposed boundary conditions of the physical problem of interest.







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Historical note on modeling in electromagnetics

- One of the first digital computer solution of the Pocklington's equation was reported in 1965.
- This was followed by the one of the first implementations of the **Finite Difference Method (FDM)** to the solution of partial differential equations in 1966 and time domain integral equation formulations in 1968 and 1973.
- Through 1970s the Finite Element Method (FEM) became widely used in almost all areas of applied EM applications.
- The **Boundary Element Method (BEM)** developed in the late seventies for the purposes of civil and mechanical engineering started to be used in electromagnetics in 1980s.







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EMC computational models and solution methods

• A <u>basic EMC model</u>, includes *EMI source* (any kind of undesired EMP), coupling path which is related to EM fields propagating in free space, material medium or conductors, and, finally, *EMI victim* - any kind of electrical equipment, medical electronic equipment (e.g. pacemaker), or even the human body itself.







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EMC computational models and solution methods

- In principle, all EMC models arise from the rigorous EM theory concepts and foundations based on Maxwell equations.
- EMC models are analysed using either analytical or numerical methods.
- Analytical models are not useful for accurate simulation of electric systems, or their use is restricted to the solution of rather simplified geometries.
- More accurate simulation of various practical engineering problems is possible by the use of *numerical methods*.







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Classification of EMC models

- Regarding underlying theoretical background EMC models can be classified as:
 - circuit theory models featuring the concentrated electrical parameters
 - transmission line models using distributed parameters in which low frequency electromagnetic field coupling are taken into account
 - models based on the full-wave approach taking into account radiation effects for the treatment of electromagnetic wave propagation problems

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Summary remarks on EMC modeling

• The main limits to EMC modeling arise from the **physical complexity** of the considered electric system.

Sometimes even the electrical properties of the system are too difficult to determine, or the number of independent parameters necessary for building a valid EMC model is too large for a practical computer code to handle.

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Summary remarks on EMC modeling

- The advanced EMC modeling approach is based on *integral* equation formulations in the FD and TD and related BEM solution featuring the direct and indirect approach, respectively.
 - This approach is preferred over a partial differential equation formulations and related numerical methods of solution, as the integral equation approach is based on the corresponding fundamental solution of the linear operator and, therefore, provides more accurate results.
- This higher accuracy level is paid with more complex formulation, than it is required within the framework of the partial differential equation approach, and related computational cost.







Frequency domain analysis of wire antennas

- In addition to antenna design the model of horizontal wires above lossy half-space has <u>numerous applications</u> in (EMC) in the analysis of aboveground lines and cables.
- The current distribution along the multiple wire structure is governed by the set of Pocklington equation for half-space problems.
- The influence of lossy half-space can be taken into account via the reflection coefficient (RC) approximation.





All wires are assumed to have same radius a and the length of the m-th wire is equal L_m .

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The analysis starts by considering a single straight wire above a dissipative half-space.



Horizontal antenna over imperfect ground

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- The integral equation can be derived by enforcing the interface conditions for the *E*-field at the wire surface: $\vec{e}_x \cdot (\vec{E}^{exc} + \vec{E}^{sct}) = 0$
- The excitation represents the sum of the incident field and field reflected from the lossy ground: $\vec{E}^{exc} = \vec{E}^{inc} + \vec{E}^{ref}$

• The scattered field can be written as:

$$\vec{E}^{sct} = -j\omega\vec{A} - \nabla\varphi$$

where **A** is the magnetic vector potential and ϕ is the scalar potential. According to the <u>thin wire approximation (TWA)</u> only the axial component of the magnetic potential differs from zero:

$$A_x = \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_0^L I(x')g(x,x')dx' \qquad \varphi(x) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon} \int_0^L q(x')g(x,x')dx'$$

 $E_x^{sct} = -j\omega A_x - \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x}$

while q(x) is the charge distribution and I(x') is the induced current along the wire.

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• Green function g(x,x') is given by:

$$g(x, x') = g_0(x, x') - R_{TM} g_i(x, x')$$

where $g_0(x, x')$ is the free space-Green function and $g_i(x, x')$ arises from the image theory:

$$g_{o}(x, x') = \frac{e^{-jk_{o}R_{o}}}{R_{o}}$$
 $g_{i}(x, x') = \frac{e^{-jk_{o}R_{i}}}{R_{i}}$

 R_{o} and Ri, respectively, is the distance from the source to the observation point, and the reflection coefficient is

$$R_{TM} = \frac{n\cos\Theta - \sqrt{n - \sin^2\Theta}}{n\cos\Theta + \sqrt{n - \sin^2\Theta}}$$

$$n = \varepsilon_r - j \frac{\sigma}{\omega \varepsilon_0} \qquad \Theta = \operatorname{arctg} \frac{|x - x'|}{2h}$$

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• The linear charge density and the current distribution along the line are related through the equation of continuity:

$$q = -\frac{1}{j\omega} \frac{dI}{dx}$$

• After mathematical manipulation it follows:

$$\varphi(x) = -\frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'} g(x, x') dx'$$

leading to the following integral relationship for the scattered field:

$$E_x^{sct} = -j\omega \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_0^L I(x')g(x,x')dx' + \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_0^L \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'}g(x,x')dx$$

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• Combining previous equations results in the following integral equation for the current distribution induced along the wire:

$$E_{x}^{exc} = j\omega \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_{0}^{L} I(x')g(x,x')dx' - \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{0}^{L} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'}g(x,x')dx'$$

- This equation is well-known in antenna theory representing one of the most commonly used variants of the Pocklington's integro-differential equation for half space problems.
 - This integro-differential equation is <u>particularly attractive for</u> <u>numerical modeling</u>, as there is no second-order differential operator under the integral sign.





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• The electric field components are:

$$E_{x} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \left[-\int_{-L}^{L} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial g(x,x')}{\partial x'} dx' + k^{2} \int_{-L}^{L} g(x,x')I(x')dx' \right]$$

$$E_{z} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \int_{-L}^{L} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial g(x',z)}{\partial z} dx'$$

$$E_{y} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \int_{-L}^{L} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial g(x', y)}{\partial y} dx'$$

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• Vertical wire above a real ground







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• Integro-differential equation for vertical wire

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} + k^2\right] \int_{h-(L/2)}^{h+(L/2)} I(z')g(z,z')dz' = -j4\pi \frac{k}{Z_0} E_z^{exc}$$

The propagation constant k is given by

 $k = \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \varepsilon_0}$

and Z_0 is the free space impedance

$$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon_0}}$$

The total Green function is, as follows

$$g(z, z') = g_0(z, z') - \Gamma_{Fr}^{ref} g_i(z, z')$$

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• Vertical wire penetrating the ground



Fig. 4. Vertical antenna penetrating the ground excited by a voltage source (a) and by a current source (b).







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• Integro-differential equation for vertical penetrating the ground

$$\begin{split} E_{z}^{inc} &= -\frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{eff}} \begin{bmatrix} \int_{-L_{g}}^{0} \left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}} + k_{2}^{2}\right) G^{22}(\rho, z, z') I(z') dz' + \\ \int_{0}^{L_{a}} \left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}} + k_{2}^{2}\right) G^{12}(\rho, z, z') I(z') dz' \end{bmatrix}; \quad z \leq 0, \\ E_{z}^{inc} &= -\frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \begin{bmatrix} \int_{-L_{g}}^{0} \left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}} + k_{1}^{2}\right) G^{21}(\rho, z, z') I(z') dz' + \\ \int_{0}^{L_{a}} \left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial z^{2}} + k_{1}^{2}\right) G^{11}(\rho, z, z') I(z') dz' + \\ \end{bmatrix}; \quad z > 0, \end{split}$$

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Integro-differential equation for vertical penetrating the ground

where

 $G^{11}(\rho, z, z') = g_0(z, z')$ - $g_i(z, z') + g_{Sa}(\rho, z, z')$, for points z > 0 and z' > 0

while g_0 , g_i are defined by (13) and g_{Sa} is given by

$$g_{Sa}(\rho, z, z') = 2 \int_0^\infty J_0(\lambda \rho) e^{-\mu(z+z')} \frac{\varepsilon_{eff}}{\varepsilon_{eff}\mu + \varepsilon_0 \mu_E} \lambda d\lambda$$

with

$$\mu = \sqrt{\lambda^2 - k^2}; \mu_E = \sqrt{\lambda^2 - k_2^2}; k_2^2 = \underline{n}k^2$$
(21)

where <u>n</u> is the relative complex permittivity of the air–ground interface given by (14), while ε_{eff} is the complex permittivity of the ground determined by (15), and *k* is wave propagation of free space

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Integro-differential equation for vertical penetrating the ground
 Furthermore



$$G^{22}(\rho, z, z') = g_0(z, z') - g_i(z, z') + g_{Si}(\rho, z, z'), \text{ for points } z < 0 \text{ and } z' < 0$$
(22)

while g_0, g_i, g_{Su} are defined, as follows:

$$g_0(z,z') = \frac{e^{-jk_2R}}{R}, \quad g_i(z,z') = \frac{e^{-jk_2R_i}}{R_i}$$
 (23)

$$g_{Su}(\rho, z, z') = 2 \int_0^\infty J_0(\lambda \rho) e^{-\mu_E(z+z')} \frac{\varepsilon_0}{\varepsilon_0 \mu_E + \varepsilon_{eff} \mu} \lambda d\lambda$$
(24)

The Green functions related to transmitted field are given by:

$$G^{12}(\rho, z, z') = 2 \int_0^\infty J_0(\lambda \rho) e^{-\mu_E |z|} e^{-\mu |z'|} \frac{\varepsilon_{eff}}{\varepsilon_{eff} \mu + \varepsilon_0 \mu_E} \lambda d\lambda$$
(25)

for points z < 0 and z' > 0, and

$$G^{21}(\rho, z, z') = 2 \int_0^\infty J_0(\lambda \rho) e^{-\mu_E |z|} e^{-\mu |z'|} \frac{\varepsilon_0}{\varepsilon_{eff} \mu + \varepsilon_0 \mu_E} \lambda d\lambda$$
(26)

for points z > 0 and z' < 0:

Sommerfeld integrals (20), (24)–(28) are evaluated numerically using Simpson adaptive quadrature in complex plane [21].

Furthermore, certain continuity conditions have to be satisfied at the air-ground interface, i.e.:

$$I(z=0^{+}) = I(z=0^{-})$$
(27)

$$\frac{\partial l(z=0^+)}{\partial z}\varepsilon_{eff} = \frac{\partial l(z=0^-)}{\partial z}\varepsilon_0$$
(28)

where (+) and (-) denote above and below the interface, respectively.





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• An extension to the wire array is straightforward and results in the the set of coupled Pocklington integral equations:

$$E_{x}^{exc} = -\frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \int_{-L_{n}/2}^{L_{n}/2} \left[\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}} + k_{1}^{2}\right] \left[g_{0mn}(x, x') - R'_{TM}g_{imn}(x, x')\right] I_{n}(x')dx'$$

$$m = 1, 2, \dots M$$

where $I_n(x')$ is the unknown current distribution induced on the nth wire axis, $g_{0mn}(x,x)$ is the free space Green function, while $g_{imn}(x,x)$ arises from the image theory:

$$g_{0mn}(x, x') = \frac{e^{-jk_1R_{1mn}}}{R_{1mn}}$$

$$g_{0mn}(x, x') = \frac{e^{-jk_1R_{1mn}}}{R_{1mn}}$$
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• The wires are excited by a plane wave of arbitrary incidence







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• The tangential component of an incident plane wave can be represented in terms of its vertical E_V and horizontal E_H component:

 $E_x^{exc} = E_x^i + E_x^r =$ $E_0(\sin\alpha\sin\phi - \cos\alpha\cos\theta\cos\phi)e^{-jk_1\vec{n}_i\cdot\vec{r}} +$ $+E_0(R_{TE}\sin\alpha\sin\phi + R_{TM}\cos\alpha\cos\theta\cos\phi)e^{-jk_1\vec{n}_r\cdot\vec{r}}$

where α is an angle between *E*-field vector and the plane of incidence.

 R_{TM} and R_{TE} are the vertical and horizontal Fresnel reflection coefficients at the air-earth interface given by:

$$R_{TM} = \frac{\underline{n}\cos\theta - \sqrt{\underline{n} - \sin^2\theta}}{\underline{n}\cos\theta + \sqrt{\underline{n} - \sin^2\theta}} \qquad R_{TE} = \frac{\cos\theta - \sqrt{\underline{n} - \sin^2\theta}}{\cos\theta + \sqrt{\underline{n} - \sin^2\theta}} \\ \vec{n}_i \cdot \vec{r} = -x\sin\theta\cos\phi - y\sin\theta\sin\phi - z\cos\theta \\ \vec{n}_r \cdot \vec{r} = -x\sin\theta\cos\phi - y\sin\theta\sin\phi + z\cos\theta \\ \vec{n}_r \cdot \vec{r} = -x\sin\theta\cos\phi - y\sin\theta\sin\phi + z\cos\theta \\ \text{Split, 11 November 2016} \end{cases}$$





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• The E-field components are given, as follows:

$$E_{x} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\epsilon_{0}} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \left[-\int_{-L_{n}}^{L_{n}} \frac{\partial I_{n}(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial G_{nm}(x,x')}{\partial x'} dx' + k^{2} \int_{-L_{n}}^{L_{n}} G_{nm}(x,x') I_{n}(x') dx' \right]$$

$$E_{y} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \int_{-L_{n}}^{L_{n}} \frac{\partial I_{n}(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial G_{nm}(x,x')}{\partial y} dx'$$

$$E_{z} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \int_{-L_{n}}^{L_{n}} \frac{\partial I_{n}(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial G_{nm}(x,x')}{\partial z} dx$$

where *m*=1, 2, ..., *M* and Green function G is given by:

$$G_{nm}(x, x') = g_{0nm}(x, x') - R_{TM} g_{inm}(x, x')$$

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BEM solution of Pocklington equation system

• The BEM procedure starts, as follows:

$$I(x') = I_{1i} \frac{x_{2i} - x'}{\Delta x} + I_{2i} \frac{x' - x_{1i}}{\Delta x}$$

• Performing certain mathematical manipulations and BEM discretisation results in the following matrix equation: N_e - the total number of elements

 $[Z]_{pk}$ - the interaction matrix:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{N_e} \left[Z \right]_{pk} \left\{ I \right\}_k = \left\{ V \right\}_p$$

$$\left[Z\right]_{pk}^{e} = -\int_{\Delta l_{p}} \int_{\Delta l_{k}} \left\{D\right\}_{p} \left\{D'\right\}_{k}^{T} g_{ji}(x,x') dx' dx + k^{2} \int_{\Delta l_{p}} \int_{\Delta l_{k}} \left\{f\right\}_{l} \left\{f'\right\}_{k}^{T} g_{ji}(x,x') dx' dx$$

- Vectors {f}and {f'} contain shape functions f_n(x) and f_n(x'), while {D} and {D'} contain their derivatives.
 - The vector {V}_p represents the voltage along the segment:

$$\left\{V\right\}_{p} = -j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}\int_{\Delta l_{p}}E_{x}^{inc}(x)\left\{f\right\}_{p}dx$$





FD analysis of wire antennas The BEM field calculation

• Applying the BEM formalism to field expressions it follows:

$$\begin{split} E_{x} &= \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{j}} \left[-\frac{I_{i+1,n} - I_{i,n}}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i,n}}^{x_{i+1,n}} \frac{\partial G_{nm}(x,x')}{\partial x'} dx' + k^{2} \int_{x_{i,n}}^{x_{i+1,n}} G_{nm}(x,x') I_{in}(x') dx' \right];\\ m &= 1, 2, ..., M \\ E_{y} &= \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{j}} \frac{I_{i+1,n} - I_{i,n}}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i,n}}^{x_{i+1,n}} \frac{\partial G_{nm}(x,x')}{\partial y} dx'; \ m = 1, 2, ..., M \\ E_{z} &= \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \sum_{n=1}^{M} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{j}} \frac{I_{i+1,n} - I_{i,n}}{\Delta x} \int_{x_{i,n}}^{x_{i+1,n}} \frac{\partial G_{nm}(x,x')}{\partial z} dx'; \ m = 1, 2, ..., M \end{split}$$

 $-N_j$ is the total number of boundary elements on the *j*-th wire

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Computational examples

Vertical wire:

- Single wire above a lossy ground
- Wire penetrating the interfacearray above a lossy ground



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Fig. 2. Current distribution (L=1 m, a=0.005 m, h=2 m, $\sigma=1$ mS/m, $e_r=10$, $V_0=1$ V, f=168.2 MHz).



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Computational examples

Numerical results are obtained via TWiNS code for:

- Single wire above a lossy ground
- Wire array above a lossy ground
- Practical example: Yagi-Uda array for VHF TV applications
- Practical example: single LPDA for ILS







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Dipole above a <u>PEC ground</u>, f=300MHz, L= λ

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Dipole above a lossy ground, f=300MHz, L= $\lambda/2$, ε_r = 30, σ =0.04 S/m

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h=1m

h=0.2m





XYplane: Currents and far-field pattern for the Yagi-Uda array above a <u>PEC ground</u> (reflector, fed element + director), a=0.0025m, L_r=0.479m, L_f=0.453m i L_d=0.451m, d=0.25m V_g=1V

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a=0.0025m, L_r=0.479m, L_r=0.453m i L_d=0.451m, d=0.25m V_d=1V

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Yagi-Uda array for VHF TV applications







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Yagi-Uda array: technical parameters

- Number of wires N=15
- Number of directors 13
- Operating frequency f=216MHz (frequency of 13th TV channel)
- Wire radius: $a = 0.0085\lambda = 0.0118m$
- Director lengths $I_1 = I_2 = 0.424\lambda = 0.589$ m, $I_3 = 0.420\lambda = 0.583$ m,
- $I_4 = 0.407\lambda = 0.565 \text{ m}, I_5 = 0.403\lambda = 0.56 \text{ m}, I_6 = 0.398\lambda = 0.553 \text{ m},$
- $I_7 = 0.394\lambda = 0.547$ m, $I_8 I_{13} = 0.390\lambda = 0.542$ m
- Reflector lengths $I_{14}=0.475\lambda=0.66m$
- fed-element length I_{15} =0.466 λ =0.647m
- Distance between directors $d_d=0.308\lambda=0.427m$
- Distance between reflector and fed-element $d_r=0.2\lambda=0.278m$

Computational aspects

- $\Delta l \ge 2a$
- L_{tot} = 5.83m, N_{tot}=225





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XYplane: Currents and far-field pattern for the Yagi-Uda array

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FD analysis of wire antennas Log-periodic dipole array

- LPDA impedance and radiation properties repeat periodically as the logarithm of frequency (VHF and UHF bands; 30MHz to 3GHz).
- The LPDA antennas are easy to optimize, while the crossing of the feeder between each dipole element leads to a mutual cancellation of backlobe components from the individual elements yielding to a very low level of backlobe radiation (around 25dB below main lobe gain at HF and 35dB at VHF and UHF).

The cutoff frequencies of the truncated structure is determined by the electrical lengths of the largest and shortest elements of the structure.

The use of logarithmic antenna arrays is very often related with electronic beam steering. An important application of LPDA antennas is in air traffic, as it an essential part of localizer antenna array.

A typical localizer antenna system is a part of the electronic systems known as Instrumental Landing System (ILS). Localizer shapes a radiation pattern providing lateral guidance to the aircraft beginning its descent, intercepting the projected runway center line, and then making a final approach.







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The length of actual wire is obtained by multiplying the previous length and factor T:





A look at a real localizer antenna element geometry...





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LPDA in free space

- LPDA is composed from 12 dipoles insulated in free space.
- The radius of all wires is a=0.004m while the length of wires are determined by the length of 1st wire $L_1=1.5$ m, and factor T=0.9.
 - All dipoles are fed by the voltage generator $V_g=1V$ with variable phase (each time phase is changed for 180°).
- The operating frequency is varied from 100 MHz to 300 MHz.



Absolute value of Current distribution along 12 dipoles versus BEM nodes at f=100MHz, f=250MHz and f=300MHz

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LPDA above a PEC ground Radiation pattern (XY plane)







LPDA above a real ground







f=300MHz

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• realistic geometries of localizer antenna systems.

f=110MHz T=0.983 σ =0.1876 L₁=1.27m d₁=0.4765m n=7 -wires per LPDA a=0.002 N_{seg}=11 - segments per wire N_{LPDA}=14 h=1.82m σ =0.005 ε_r =13





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• realistic geometries of localizer antenna systems.













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• Dipole antenna for Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) applications







Frequency domain analysis: Formulation

• Pocklington integro-differential equation:

$$E_{x}^{exc} = j\omega \frac{\mu}{4\pi} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} I(x')g(x,x')dx' - \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{0}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'}g(x,x')dx'$$

• The transmitted electric field components:

$$E_{x} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{eff}} \left[-\int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial G(x, x', z)}{\partial x'} dx' - \gamma^{2} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} G(x, x', z)I(x') dx' \right]$$
$$E_{z} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{eff}} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'} \frac{\partial G(x, x', z)}{\partial z} dx' \right]$$
$$G(x, x') = \Gamma_{tr}^{MIT} g_{E}(x, x', z)$$
$$\Gamma_{tr}^{MIT} = \frac{2n}{n+1}$$

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Frequency domain analysis: Numerical solution

• The current and its first derivative at the *i*-th boundary element are given by:

$$I(x') = I_{1i} \frac{x_{2i} - x'}{\Delta x} + I_{2i} \frac{x' - x_{1i}}{\Delta x} \qquad \frac{\partial I(x')}{\partial x'} = \frac{I_{2i} - I_{1i}}{\Delta x}$$

Matrix equation:
$$\sum_{j=1}^{M} [Z]_{ji} \{I\}_{i} = \{V\}_{j}$$

Mutual impedance matrix, voltage vector:

$$\begin{bmatrix} Z \end{bmatrix}_{ji} = -\frac{1}{j4\omega\pi\varepsilon_{eff}} \left[\int_{\Delta l_j} \{D\}_j \int_{\Delta l_i} \{D'\}_i^T g(x,x') dx' dx + \gamma^2 \int_{\Delta l_j} \{f\}_j \int_{\Delta l_i} \{f'\}_i^T g(x,x') dx' dx \right]$$
$$\{V\}_i = -\int E_x^{inc}(x) \{f\}_i dx$$

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Frequency domain analysis: Numerical solution

•The field formulas:

$$E_{x} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{eff}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{j}} \left[-\frac{I_{2i} - I_{1i}}{\Delta x_{j}} \int_{x_{1ij}}^{x_{2i}} \frac{\partial G(x, x', z)}{\partial x'} dx' - \gamma^{2} \int_{x_{1ij}}^{x_{2ij}} \left[I_{1i} \frac{x_{2i} - x'}{\Delta x} + I_{2i} \frac{x' - x_{1i}}{\Delta x} \right] G(x, x', z) I(x') dx' \right]$$

$$E_{z} = \frac{1}{j4\pi\omega\varepsilon_{eff}} \sum_{j=1}^{M} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{j}} \frac{I_{2ij} - I_{1ij}}{\Delta x_{j}} \int_{x_{1ij}}^{x_{2ij}} \frac{\partial G(x, x', z)}{\partial z} dx'$$





requency domain analysis: Numerical results

- The computational example; dipole antenna (L=1m, a=2mm, h=0,25m, ε_{rg} =10, σ =10mS/m).
- Terminal voltage is $V_T = 1V$.
- The operating frequency: from 1MHz to 100MHz.



Transmitted field (V/m) into the ground at f = 1MHzTraining SchoolSplit, 11 November 2016





f = 10 MHz

f = 100 MHz

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Frequency domain analysis: Numerical results







Frequency domain analysis: Numerical results

• E_x component of the transmitted field versus depth in the broadside direction for different operating frequencies



Broadside transmitted field (V/m) into the ground for different frequencies

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Frequency domain analysis: Concluding remarks

- The FD analysis of *E*-field transmitted into the material halfspace due to the GPR dipole antenna radiation is based on the Pocklington IDE and related field formulas.
- The influence of the earth-air interface is taken into account via the simplified reflection/transmission coefficient arising from the Modified Image Theory (MIT).
 - The Pocklington IDE is solved via the Galerkin-Bubnov variant of the Indirect Boundary Element Method (GB-IBEM) and the corresponding transmitted field is determined by using BEM formalism, as well.

SUMMARY - SPECTRAL APPROACHES

Heuristic

where:



 $Y = \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} y_j Z_j$

Sudret, PCE Theory, Numerical Methods & Applications Parts I & II, MNMUQ, 2014

- {Z_j}^{+∞}_{j=0} is a numerable set of random variables that forms a basis of a suitable space H ⊃ Y
- $\{y_j\}_{j=0}^{+\infty}$ is the set of coordinates of Y in this basis



- Actually
 - Truncated series expansion
 - EMC illustration: Y = current I

Random N-vector:
$$\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$$

Polynomial basis: $\Phi^u(\mathbf{X})$ function of \mathbf{X}

$$[I]_u \left(\mathbf{X} \right) \approx \sum_{v_1=0}^{n_1} \dots \sum_{v_N=0}^{n_N} \eta_w^{v_1 \dots v_N} \Phi^u(\mathbf{X})$$

Expansion coefficient: $\eta_w^{v_1...v_N}$

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SUMMARY - PHILOSOPHY OF THE STOCHASTIC COLLOCATION



Basic idea: close to PCE (spectral method) \rightarrow choice of polynomial basis

Finding a polynomial approximation of the Finding a polynomial approximation of function of a real variable the function of a random variable: $f(X) = \frac{1}{1 + Y^2}$ $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + x^2}$ Lagrange polynomials Lagrange polynomials $f(x) \approx \sum_{i=0}^{n} f_i L_i(x)$ $f(X) \approx \sum_{i=0}^{n} f_i L_i(X)$ $\{L_i(x)\}_{0 \le i \le n}$ nth order polynomial basis $L_i(x) = \prod_{j=0}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$ Stochastic collocation method Problem: We can demonstrate: $p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \quad Y = f(X)$ $f_i = f(x_i)$

Bonnet et al., Numerical simulation of a Reverberation Chamber with a stochastic collocation method, 2009

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SUMMARY - SC PRINCIPLE (1)



 $\{x_j\}_{0 \leq j \leq n}$ defined by the Gauss quadrature rule

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} f(x) dx \approx \sum_{j=0}^{n} \omega_j f(x_j)$$

Mean value assessment

$$= = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} f(x) dx$$

Replacing f(x) by its expansion

$$e^{-x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} L_i(x) dx = \sum_{i=0}^n \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} L_i(x) dx = \sum_{j=0}^n \omega_j L_i(x_j) dx = \sum_{i=0}^n \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} L_i(x) dx$$

 $L_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$ \longrightarrow All the terms are equal to 0 except at its particular collocation point i:

$$< Y > \approx \sum_{i=0}^{n} \omega_{i} f_{i}$$

$$var(Y) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \omega_{k} (f_{k})^{2} - \langle Y \rangle^{2}$$
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SUMMARY - SC PRINCIPLE (3)

- Determination of weights w_i and points x_i
- Computation of the system response
- Mean value and variance assessment methods are given by:

$$\langle f(X) \rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \omega_{i} f_{i}$$
$$\operatorname{var}(f) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \omega_{i} f_{i}^{2} - \langle f(X) \rangle^{2}$$

Small number N of collocation points !



$$f_i = f(x_i) = \frac{1}{1 + x_i^2}$$

N=n+1	Weights	Points
2	0,5000 0,5000	1 -1
3	0.1667 0.6667 0.1667	1.7321 0 -1.7321
4	0.0459 0.4541 0.4541 0.0459	2.3344 0.7420 -0.7420 -2.3344
5	0.0113 0.2221 0.5333 0.2221 0.0113	2,8570 1,3556 0 -1,3556 -2,8570



General approach

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SUMMARY - SC PRINCIPLE (4) Random parameter: Z ≡ û = Z⁰ + û⁰ Z^0 central value, \hat{u}^0 Random Variable (RV) Statistical moment arbitrarily given



Extension to multi-RV

Computation

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Stochastic Modeling : Numerical results



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The horizontal dipole antenna placed above the dielectric half-space has length L=1 m and radius r=6.74 mm. Both length and radius of the antenna are considered as deterministic parameters.

Two parameters are modelled as random input variables following the uniform distributions: the height of the antenna: $h \sim \cup (0.275, 0.725)$ m and soil permittivity $\varepsilon_r \sim \cup (4, 30)$.

$$V(f) = V_0 \cdot \sqrt{\pi} t_w e^{-(\pi f t_w)^2} e^{-j2\pi f t_0}$$



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Fig. 2 Current at the center of the wire with soil permittivity as random variable: (I) is stochastic expected value and σ_i is standard deviation (univariate example No. 1)







There is scarcely a subject that cannot be mathematically treated and the effect calculated beforehand, or the results determined beforehand from the available theoretical and practical data.

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We made models in science, but we also made them in everyday life. STEPHEN HAWKING

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