

Computational Electromagnetics : Surface Integral Equations

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Topics in this module

- ① Motivation: Bending Waves
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- ④ Huygen's principle & the Extinction theorem
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② Slit-light interference



Huygen's principle in school



Interference pattern

Observations of waves bending

① Mobile reception in a room

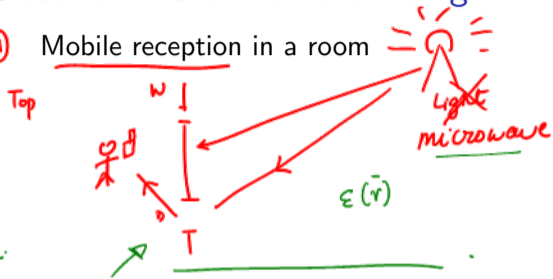
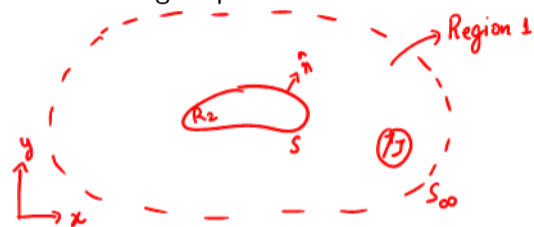


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Problem setup

A two region problem: a source and an object



Polarizations

- Choose \rightarrow
- 1) TM $\rightarrow (E_z, H_x, H_y) \rightarrow H_z = 0$
 - 2) TE $\rightarrow (H_z, E_x, E_y) \rightarrow E_z = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} &= \frac{\partial E_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial E_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial E_z}{\partial z} \\ &= 0 + 0 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

Assumptions

Non magnetic media
2D problem $\rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial z} = 0$, fns(x,y)

Maxwell's equations (any volume):

$$\begin{aligned} \checkmark \nabla \times \vec{E}(\vec{r}) &= -j\omega\mu_0 \vec{H}(\vec{r}) \rightarrow \nabla \times (\nabla \times \vec{E}) = \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{E}) - \nabla^2 \vec{E} = -\nabla^2 \vec{E} \\ \checkmark \nabla \times \vec{H}(\vec{r}) &= j\omega\epsilon(\vec{r}) \vec{E}(\vec{r}) + \vec{J}(\vec{r}) \end{aligned}$$

$$-\nabla^2 \vec{E} = -j\omega\mu_0 (j\omega\epsilon(\vec{r}) \vec{E} + \vec{J})$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 \vec{E}(\vec{r}) + \omega^2 \mu_0 \epsilon(\vec{r}) \vec{E}(\vec{r}) = j\omega\mu_0 \vec{J}(\vec{r}) \quad \checkmark$$

Helmholtz equation

\rightarrow True for Regs 1, 2.

Helmholtz equation: Making it concrete

Geometry:



Equations:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{Reg 1: } \nabla^2 \phi_1(r) + k_1^2 \phi_1(r) &= j\omega \mu_0 J_z(r) \\ \text{Reg 2: } \nabla^2 \phi_2(r) + k_2^2 \phi_2(r) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\omega^2 \mu_0 \underline{\epsilon}(r) = \underline{k}^2$$

Material properties:

$$\epsilon(r) \rightarrow \epsilon(x, y)$$

scalar fns

Fields, currents:

$$\text{TM pol: } E_z, H_x, H_y$$

$$E_z \rightarrow \text{Reg 1} \rightarrow \phi_1(r)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Reg 2} \rightarrow \phi_2(r)$$

$$\vec{J} = J_z \hat{z}$$

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Introduce a new "Green's" function

Want to solve:

$$\nabla^2 \phi_1(r) + k_1^2 \phi_1(r) = Q(r)$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi_2(r) + k_2^2 \phi_2(r) = 0$$

Introduce two new functions g_1, g_2 s.t.:

$$\nabla^2 g_1(r, r') + k_1^2 g_1(r, r') = -\delta(r - r')$$

$$\nabla^2 g_2(r, r') + k_2^2 g_2(r, r') = -\delta(r - r')$$

[assume we know these (for now)]

dirac delta fn

Some algebra: $[(\nabla^2 + k_1^2) \times g_1 - (\nabla^2 + k_1^2) \times \phi_1]$:

$$\int_{V_1} dV (g_1 \nabla^2 \phi_1 - \phi_1 \nabla^2 g_1 = g_1 Q + \phi_1 \delta(r - r'))$$

$$k_1^2 g_1 - k_1^2 \phi_1$$

$$\int_{V_1} g_1(r, r') Q(r) dV = -\phi_1(r')$$

Vector calculus results;

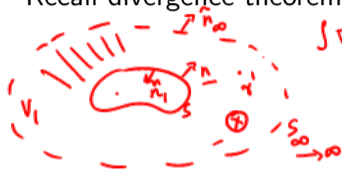
$$\nabla \cdot (g \nabla \phi) = \nabla g \cdot \nabla \phi + g \nabla^2 \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow g_1 \nabla^2 \phi_1 - \phi_1 \nabla^2 g_1 = \nabla \cdot (g_1 \nabla \phi_1 - \phi_1 \nabla g_1)$$

← integrate over V_1 : volume of Region 1

... some more vector calculus

Recall divergence theorem, apply to region 1:



$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{f} dV = \oint_S \vec{f} \cdot \hat{n} dS = \oint_{S_1} \vec{f} \cdot \hat{n}_1 dS + \oint_{S_2} \vec{f} \cdot \hat{n}_2 dS$$

$$= - \oint_S \vec{f} \cdot \hat{n} dS$$

$$\int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{A} dV = \oint_S \vec{A} \cdot \hat{n} dS \quad (3D)$$

$$\int_S \nabla \cdot \vec{f} dS = \oint \vec{f} \cdot \hat{n} dl \quad (\text{in 2D})$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{V_1} [g \nabla^2 \phi - \phi \nabla^2 g] dV = \int_S \nabla \cdot [g \nabla \phi - \phi \nabla g] dS = - \oint_S (g \nabla \phi - \phi \nabla g) \cdot \hat{n} dl$$

Putting it together:

$$\phi_i(r') - \oint [g_1(r, r') \nabla \phi_1(r) - \phi_1(r) \nabla g_1(r, r')] \cdot \hat{n} dl$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{V_1} \phi_i(r) \delta(r-r') dV$$

$$= \begin{cases} \phi_i(r'), & r' \in V_1 \rightarrow \text{Huygen's principle} \\ 0, & r' \in V_2 \rightarrow \text{Extinction theorem.} \end{cases}$$



BC

Reviewing the derivation so far

$$\int_{V_1} (\partial_i \nabla^2 \phi_i - \phi_i \nabla^2 g_i) ds = \int (g_i(r, r') Q(r) + \phi_i(r) \delta(r - r')) ds \quad \begin{matrix} \text{2D problem} \\ \rightarrow 3D \int dv \end{matrix}$$

$$\int_{V_1} \nabla \cdot (g_i \nabla \phi_i - \phi_i \nabla g_i) ds = -\phi_i(r') + \int_{V_1} \phi_i(r) \delta(r - r') ds$$

$$- \oint_S (g_i \nabla \phi_i - \phi_i \nabla g_i) \cdot \hat{n} dl \quad \text{inward normal}$$



$= \begin{cases} \phi_i(r') & \text{if } r' \in V_1 \\ 0 & \text{if } r' \in V_2 \end{cases}$
 Huygen's principle.

Physical Interpretations:

$$\left. \begin{matrix} r' \in V_1 \rightarrow \text{Total} \\ r' \in V_2 \rightarrow \end{matrix} \right\} \phi_i(r') = \underbrace{\phi_i(r')}_{\substack{\text{incident field,} \\ \text{no object}}} - \underbrace{\oint_S (g_i \nabla \phi_i - \phi_i \nabla g_i) \cdot \hat{n} dl}_{\text{scattered field due to object}}$$

Extinction thm.

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Huygen's principle & the Extinction theorem

$$\phi_i(r') - \oint [g_1(r, r') \nabla \phi_1(r) - \phi_1(r) \nabla g_1(r, r')] \cdot \hat{n} dl$$

$$= \begin{cases} \phi_1(r') & r' \in V_1 \rightarrow \text{Req.} \\ 0 & r' \in V_2 \rightarrow \text{Ext.} \end{cases}$$

Similarly for region 2:

$$\oint [g_2(r, r') \nabla \phi_2(r) - \phi_2(r) \nabla g_2(r, r')] \cdot \hat{n} dl$$

$$= \begin{cases} \phi_2(r') & r' \in V_2 \rightarrow \text{Req. inside } V_2 \\ 0 & r' \in V_1 \rightarrow \text{Ext.} \end{cases}$$

boundary

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Formulating the integral equations – 1

If we pick the bottom equations of each pair from before:

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \phi_i(r') &= \oint_S [g_1(r, r') \nabla \phi_1(r) - \phi_1(r) \nabla g_1(r, r')] \cdot \hat{n} dl \\ \rightarrow 0 &= \oint_S [g_2(r, r') \nabla \phi_2(r) - \phi_2(r) \nabla g_2(r, r')] \cdot \hat{n} dl \end{aligned}$$

How many variables?

$$\underbrace{\phi_1, \phi_2, \nabla \phi_1 \cdot \hat{n}, \nabla \phi_2 \cdot \hat{n}}_4$$

↓

$$\phi$$

Boundary conditions?

$$\vec{E}_{\tan 1} = \vec{E}_{\tan 2}, \quad \vec{H}_{\tan 1} = \vec{H}_{\tan 2}.$$

$$\text{TM: } \vec{E} = E_z \hat{z} = \phi \hat{z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_1(r') &= \phi_2(r') \text{ on } \underline{S}. \\ &= \phi(r') \text{ on } S. \end{aligned}$$



$\nabla\phi \cdot \hat{n} = \left(n_x \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} + n_y \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} \right)$ $\hat{n} = (n_x, n_y, 0) \rightarrow \hat{t} = (-n_y, n_x, 0) \leftarrow \Rightarrow \nabla\phi_1 \cdot \hat{n} = \nabla\phi_2 \cdot \hat{n}$ on S .

Formulating the integral equations – 2

If we pick the bottom equations of each pair from before:

$$\phi_i(r') = \oint [g_1(r, r') \nabla\phi_1(r) - \phi_1(r) \nabla g_1(r, r')] \cdot \hat{n} dl$$

$$0 = \oint [g_2(r, r') \nabla\phi_2(r) - \phi_2(r) \nabla g_2(r, r')] \cdot \hat{n} dl$$

How many variables?

$\nabla\phi \cdot \hat{n} = \left(n_y \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} + n_x n_y \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x}, -n_x \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} - n_x n_y \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y}, 0 \right)$
 $= (n_y \nabla\phi \cdot \hat{n}, -n_x \nabla\phi \cdot \hat{n}, 0)$
 $= (\nabla\phi \cdot \hat{n}) (n_y, -n_x, 0) = (\nabla\phi \cdot \hat{n}) \hat{t}$

Boundary conditions?

$\vec{H}_{tan,1} = \vec{H}_{tan,2}$

$\nabla \times \vec{E} = -j\omega\mu_0 \vec{H}$

\hat{x}	\hat{y}	\hat{z}
$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$	$\frac{\partial}{\partial y}$	$\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$
0	0	$\phi(x,y)$

$\vec{H} = \frac{j}{\omega\mu_0} \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y}, -\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x}, 0 \right)$

$\vec{H} = H_t \hat{t} + H_n \hat{n}$

$\vec{H}_{tan} = H_t \hat{t} = \vec{H} - H_n \hat{n}$

$= \vec{H} - (\vec{H} \cdot \hat{n}) \hat{n}$

$= \frac{j}{\omega\mu_0} \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y}, -\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x}, 0 \right) - \left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y}, -\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x}, 0 \right) \cdot (n_x, n_y, 0) \cdot (n_x, n_y, 0)$

$n_x^2 + n_y^2 = 1 \leftarrow \hat{n} = (n_x, n_y, 0)$

$= \frac{j}{\omega\mu_0} \left[\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} - n_x \left(n_x \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} - n_y \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} \right), \left(-\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} - n_y \left(n_x \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial y} - n_y \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} \right), 0 \right) \right]$

$\vec{H}_{tan} = \frac{j}{\omega\mu_0} (\nabla\phi \cdot \hat{n}) \hat{t}$

The final set of equations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \oint [g_1(r, r') (\nabla \phi(r) \cdot \hat{n}) - \phi(r) \nabla g_1(r, r') \cdot \hat{n}] dl &= \phi_i(r') \\ \oint [g_2(r, r') (\nabla \phi(r) \cdot \hat{n}) - \phi(r) \nabla g_2(r, r') \cdot \hat{n}] dl &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

2 Eqns /
2 variables.

Fredholm, 1st kind, coupled, boundary integrals
 discretization
 basis fns.

Q1: What about a magnetic medium, $\mu = \mu(r)$?

$$[\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{E}) = -j\omega \nabla \times (\mu(r) \bar{\mathbf{H}}(r))$$

$$\frac{1}{\mu(r)} \nabla \times \bar{\mathbf{E}} = -j\omega \bar{\mathbf{H}}$$

$$\nabla \times \left(\frac{1}{\mu(r)} \nabla \times \bar{\mathbf{E}} \right) = -j\omega (\nabla \times \bar{\mathbf{H}})$$

$$= -j\omega [j\omega \epsilon(r) \bar{\mathbf{E}} + \bar{\mathbf{J}}]$$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon(r)} \nabla \times \bar{\mathbf{H}} = j\omega \bar{\mathbf{E}} + \frac{\bar{\mathbf{J}}(r)}{\epsilon(r)}$$

photonic crystals.

Generalizing the idea

Maxwell's equations:

$$\nabla \times \bar{\mathbf{E}}(\vec{r}) = -j\omega \mu(r) \bar{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{r})$$

$$\nabla \times \bar{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{r}) = j\omega \epsilon(r) \bar{\mathbf{E}}(\vec{r}) + \bar{\mathbf{J}}(\vec{r})$$

Q2: What about a Helmholtz like eqn in $\bar{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{r})$? μ_0

$$\nabla \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{H}) = \nabla \times [j\omega \epsilon(r) \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J}(r)]$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{H}$$

$$\therefore \nabla \cdot \mathbf{H} = 0$$

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