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A YUKAWA-CALDERÓN TIME-DOMAIN COMBINED FIELD INTEGRAL EQUATION FOR ELECTROMAGNETIC SCATTERING*

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Time-domain integral equations

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TD vs **FD**: TD allows coupling to non-linear systems.

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Goal of this talk: to introduce a TD formulation that is immune to all above issues.





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Time-domain \Rightarrow **Frequency-domain**: Fourier transform w.r.t. angular frequency $\omega = \kappa c$. **FD-EFIE** operator

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Yukawa-Calderón frequency-domain CFIE

A Yukawa-Calderón FD-CFIE formulation:

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Properties:

- \checkmark free from resonant frequencies
- $\checkmark\,$ well-conditioned at all regimes.
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Yukawa-Calderón frequency-domain CFIE Special property

A Yukawa-Calderón FD-CFIE operator:

$$-T_{-j\kappa}T_{\kappa} + \alpha \left(\frac{1}{2}I - K_{-j\kappa}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}I + K_{\kappa}\right).$$

Given R^{Γ} the loop projection, the following special property holds

$$R^{\Gamma}\left(\frac{1}{2}I - K_0\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}I + K_0\right)R^{\Gamma} = 0.$$

Consequence: symmetrized MFIE operator is compact. Properties:

- $\checkmark\,$ applicable for different domains
- ✓ gives accurate solutions.



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Solution: $T_{\kappa}, K_{\kappa} \Rightarrow T_{\kappa'}, K_{\kappa'}$, with $\kappa' > 0$

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Yukawa-Calderón time-domain CFIE (cont.)

The Yukawa-Calderón FD-CFIE:

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Applying the inverse Fourier transform w.r.t. $\omega' = \kappa' c$ gives the Yukawa-Calderón TD-CFIE

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Optimal parameters: $\kappa = (c.\Delta t)^{-1}$ and $\alpha = \eta^2$.

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Yukawa-Calderón time-domain CFIE Properties

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- $\checkmark\,$ Accuracy of the solution.



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Discretization



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Testing schemes

Frequency-domain operators	Time-domain operators
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A Yukawa-Calderón TD-CFIE for electromagnetic scattering

Marching-on-in-time algorithm

The discretized linear system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_0 & & \\ \mathbf{L}_1 & \mathbf{L}_0 & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ \mathbf{L}_{N_T-1} & \mathbf{L}_{N_T-2} & \dots & \mathbf{L}_0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{j}_1 \\ \mathbf{j}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{j}_{N_T} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{r}_1 \\ \mathbf{r}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{r}_{N_T} \end{pmatrix} \implies \mathbf{j}_i = \mathbf{L}_0^{-1} \left(\mathbf{r}_i - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \mathbf{L}_k \, \mathbf{j}_{i-k} \right),$$

with

$$\mathbf{L}_{i} = \mathbb{Z}\mathbb{G}^{-\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{Z}_{i} + \eta^{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbb{G} - \mathbb{M}\right) \mathbb{G}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{G}_{i} + \mathbf{M}_{i}\right),$$

and

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Numerical results

Geometries









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Numerical results

Experimental setting

Gaussian-in-time plane wave

$$e^{in}(\mathbf{r},t) = \frac{4A}{w\sqrt{\pi}}\mathbf{p}\exp\left(-\left(\frac{4}{w}\left(c(t-t_0)-\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}\right)\right)^2\right).$$

Numerical results are obtained using 4 formulations:

- the standard TD-EFIE;
- the standard TD-MFIE;
- the mixed TD-CFIE

$$\mathbf{Z} + \eta \, \mathbb{G}_{xx} \mathbb{G}^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \, \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{M} \right) = \mathbf{e} + \eta \, \mathbb{G}_{xx} \mathbb{G}^{-1} \mathbf{h};$$

• the Yukawa-Calderón (YC) TD-CFIE.



Numerical results Sphere



A Yukawa-Calderón TD-CFIE for electromagnetic scattering

Numerical results Cuboid



Numerical results Torus



Conclusions and future work

This contribution has introduced a Yukawa-Calderón TD-CFIE formulation, which:

- is immune to resonant instability and late-time instability
- is well-conditioned at all regimes
- gives accurate solutions
- is applicable for different domains
- is not affected by nullspaces of the static MFIE operators on toroidal surfaces.

Future work: to combine the Yukawa-Calderón TD-CFIE with the quasi-Helmholtz projectors to render a stabilized TD-CFIE formulation at low frequencies.

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