FMM based solution of electrostatic and magnetostatic field problems

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- Numerical results
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Fast adaptive multipole boundary element method (FAM-BEM)

- Electrostatic, magnetostatic, and steady current flow field problems
- Direct and indirect BEM formulations
- Dirichlet and Neumann boundary conditions
- 8-noded, second order quadrilateral elements
- 20-noded, second order hexahedral elements
- GMRES with Jacobi preconditioner
- Fast multipole method



Octree in practice

Adaptive meshes





Adaptive meshes





Series expansions

• Multipole expansion

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{m=-n}^{n} \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} Y_n^m(\theta,\varphi) M_n^m$$

• Local expansion

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{m=-n}^{n} r^n Y_n^m(\theta, \varphi) L_n^m$$



Convergence of the multipole expansion





Octree in practice

Octree





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Classical near- and far-field definition





Problems caused by higher order elements

- Extremely varying size of the elements
- Inhomogeneous distribution of elements
- Elements can jut out of a cube

Possible solutions

- Ignore the problems
- Cut the elements at the boundaries of the cubes
- Consider real convergence radii of the cubes



Convergence radius of a cube





Octree in practice

Convergence radius of a cube





Near-field interactions





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Far-field interactions





FMM for direct and indirect BEM formulations

Direct BEM formulation

- Electrostatics
- Steady current flow fields
- Green's theorem

$$c(\mathbf{r})u(\mathbf{r}) = \oint \frac{\partial u(\mathbf{r'})}{\partial n'} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r'}|} dA' - \oint u(\mathbf{r'}) \frac{\partial}{\partial n'} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r'}|} dA'$$

- Dirichlet boundary conditions
- Neumann boundary conditions



FMM for direct and indirect BEM formulations

Indirect BEM formulation

- Electrostatics
- Magnetostatics
- Charge densities

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \int_A \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{r'})}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r'}|} \, \mathrm{d} A'$$

- Dirichlet boundary conditions
- Neumann boundary conditions



Classical multipole expansion

• Classical integral

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \int_A \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{r'})}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r'}|} dA'$$

• Multipole expansion

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{m=-n}^{n} \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} Y_n^m(\theta, \varphi) M_n^m$$
$$M_n^m = \int_{A} \sigma(\mathbf{r'}) r'^n Y_n^{-m}(\theta', \varphi') dA'$$



FMM for direct and indirect BEM formulations

Fast multipole method for double-layer potentials

• Integral

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \int_A \tau(\mathbf{r}') \nabla_{\mathbf{r}'} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} \cdot \mathbf{n}' \mathrm{d} A'$$

• Multipole expansion

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{m=-n}^{n} \frac{1}{r^{n+1}} Y_n^m(\theta, \varphi) M_n^m$$
$$M_n^m = \int_{A} \tau(\mathbf{r'}) \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{r'}) \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{r'}} (r'^n Y_n^{-m}(\theta', \varphi')) dA$$



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Series expansion transformations

- Multipole-to-multipole transformation
- Multipole-to-local transformation \leftarrow large CPU-time
- Local-to-local-transformation



• Classical approach

$$L_{n}^{m} = \sum_{k=0}^{L} \sum_{l=-k}^{k} \frac{M_{k}^{l} j^{|m-l|-|m|-|l|} A_{k}^{l} A_{n}^{m} Y_{k+n}^{l-m} (\mu, \nu)}{(-1)^{k} \rho^{k+n+1} A_{n+k}^{l-m}}$$
$$O(L^{4})$$



- Transformation in *z*-direction: $O(L^3)$
- Rotation about the *z*-axis

 $M'_{n}^{m} = M_{n}^{m} e^{jm\beta}$

• Rotation about the *y*-axis

$$M_{n}^{'m'} = \sum_{m=-n}^{-1} R(n,m,m',\alpha) (-1)^{m} (M_{n}^{m})^{*} + \sum_{m=0}^{n} R(n,m,m',\alpha) M_{n}^{m}$$

• Transformation in *z*-direction

$$L_{n}^{m} = \sum_{k=m}^{L} M_{k}^{m} \frac{Y_{k+n}^{0}(0,0)(-1)^{k+m}(n+k)!}{\rho^{k+n+1}\sqrt{(k-m)!(k+m)!(n-m)!(n+m)!}}$$



- "Plane waves": $O(L^2)$
- Definition of main-directions: up, down, north, south, east, west
- Rotation of the coordinate system
- Outgoing wave

$$W(k,l) = \frac{W_k}{dM_k} \sum_{m=-L}^{L} j^{|m|} e^{jm\alpha_{l,k}} \sum_{n=|m|}^{L} \frac{M_n^m}{\sqrt{(n-m)!(n+m)!}} \left(\frac{\lambda_k}{d}\right)^n$$



- "Plane waves": $O(L^2)$
- Incoming wave $V(k,l) = W(k,l) e^{-\lambda_k z_0} e^{j\lambda_k \left(x_0 \cos(\alpha_{l,k}) + y_0 \sin(\alpha_{l,k})\right)}$
- Local expansion $L_n^m = \frac{j^{|m|}}{\sqrt{(n-m)!(n+m)!}} \sum_{k=1}^{s(\varepsilon)} \left(-\frac{\lambda_k}{d}\right)^n \sum_{l=1}^{M_k} V(k,l) e^{-jm\alpha_{l,k}}$



In practice

- L = 9
- Multipole-to-multipole transformation in *z*-direction
- Local-to-local transformation in *z*-direction
- Multipole-to-local transformation in *z*-direction



Postprocessing

Classical

• Potential

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \int_A \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{r'})}{|\mathbf{r}-\mathbf{r'}|} \, \mathrm{d} A'$$

• Field strength

$$\boldsymbol{E}(\boldsymbol{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \int_{A} \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\boldsymbol{r}') \frac{\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}'}{|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}'|^3} \, \mathrm{d} A'$$



FMM

- Octree for elements and evaluation points
- Same FMM algorithm as for matrix-by-vector-product
- Local expansion

$$u(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{m=-n}^{n} r^n Y_n^m(\theta, \varphi) L_n^m$$

$$\boldsymbol{E} = -\frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{n=0}^{L} \sum_{m=-n}^{n} \nabla \left(r^n Y_n^m \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \right) \right) L_n^m$$



Meshing strategies

• Element size near evaluation points





• Geometrical configuration (adaptive mesh)





• Geometrical configuration (fine mesh)





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• Geometrical configuration (particle on the right spacer)





• Potential between the electrodes





• Electric field strength above the particle





• Computer resources

| | Coarse mesh | Fine mesh |
|------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Unknowns | 28857 | 93409 |
| Memory | 932 MByte | 1.2 GByte |
| CPU-time | 41662 s | 86385 s |
| Postprocessing | 4324 s | 1062 s |
| Compression rate | 85 % | 98 % |



Numerical results

Chip on a printed circuit board

• Geometrical configuration





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Chip on a printed circuit board

• Computer resources

| | Coarse mesh | Fine mesh |
|------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Unknowns | 20964 | 56980 |
| Memory | 195 MByte | 832 MByte |
| CPU-time | 25657 s | 344877 s |
| Compression rate | 94 % | 99.6 % |



Numerical results

Contactor

• Geometrical configuration





Contactor

- Number of unknowns: 43949
- CPU time: 1 day
- Non-linear iterations steps: 9
- Memory requirements: 990 MByte
- Compression rate: 93 %



Numerical results

Steady current flow field problem

• Geometrical configuration





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Steady current flow field problem

• Potential inside the conductor





Steady current flow field problem

- 3720 second order boundary elements
- 11244 unknowns
- 160 linear iteration steps
- Compression rate: 88.3 %
- CPU-time: 1 hour and 8 minutes (Pentium III 1 GHz)
- 113 MByte (instead of 965 MByte)
- Computation of the potential in 17220 evaluation points in 145 s



Conclusion

- Static electric and magnetic field problems
- Direct and indirect boundary element method
- Volume integral equations for non-linear problems
- Fast adaptive multilevel multipole method
- Adaptive meshes
- High compression rates and accuracy
- Fast postprocessing

