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MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS WITH INCIDENT WAVE AS A FIELD SOURCE

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1. Motivation

Plasma-vacuum interfaces $\Gamma^- = \{(x, y, z) \in R_3 : x = 0\}$ and $\Gamma^+ = \{(x, y, z) \in R_3 : x = a\}$ of a slab $\{(x, y, z) \in R_3 : 0 \leq x \leq a\}$ of plasma with a given density $\varrho = \varrho(x, y, z)$ are irradiated by a laser light. It is assumed that the waves of the light have the form $\exp i(\alpha x + \beta y)$, where $\beta(p/2\pi)$ is an integer (i.e. the waves are p -periodic in y). Moreover, we assume $\varrho = \varrho(x, y) = \varrho(x, y + p)$.

The aim is to calculate both, the electric and magnetic fields $\mathbf{E} = (E_1, E_2, E_3)$ and $\mathbf{B} = (B_1, B_2, B_3)$. Due to the assumptions above, the electromagnetic field depends on two spatial variables (namely x and y) and is p -periodic in y .

2. Formulation

We set $\boldsymbol{\mu} = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3)$, where $\mu_1 = B_3$, $\mu_2 = E_2$, $\mu_3 = E_1$. Let the following data be given:

- a) $\omega = \omega_1 + i\omega_2$ (a complex constant, which is related to the frequency of laser light and decay time); $i = \sqrt{-1}$, $\omega_1 > 0$, $\omega_2 > 0$.
- b) $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(x, y)$ (a complex valued function, which depends on the plasma density ϱ) on $\Omega = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq a, 0 \leq y \leq p\}$ (Ω is cross-section of the plasma slab); ε is smooth and $\text{Re}(-i\omega\varepsilon) \geq \text{constant} > 0$ on Ω .
- c) $\mathbf{F} = (0, J_1, J_2)$; $J_2 = J_2(x, y)$ are complex valued and smooth functions on Ω (J_2 are components of the source current density on Ω).
- d) $H^+ = H^+(y)$ and $H^- = H^-(y)$ on $\Gamma = \{y : 0 \leq y \leq p\}$ are the incident waves from the right and from the left; H^+ and H^- are smooth, $H^+(0) = H^+(p)$ and $H^-(0) = H^-(p)$.

In [1], we justified the following

Problem (P1) Find $u \in \mathcal{C} = \{v = (v_1, v_2, v_3) : \text{each component}$

$v_i = v_i(x, y)$ is smooth, complex valued function on Ω ; $v_2(x, 0) = v_2(x, \rho)$ for $0 \leq x \leq a\}$ such that

- (1) $\Lambda u + Au = F$ on Ω
- (2) $T_1^+ u + BT_2^+ u = H^+$ on Γ
- (3) $T_1^- u - BT_2^- u = H^-$ on Γ ,

where

$$\Lambda u = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \quad Au = -i\omega \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \varepsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \varepsilon \end{pmatrix} u;$$

$(T_i^+ u)(y) = u_i(a, y)$, $(T_i^- u)(y) = u_i(0, y)$ for $y \in \Gamma$ and $i = 1, 2$. The operator B is defined as follows: For each $\varphi = \varphi(y)$ smooth on Γ , $\varphi(0) = \varphi(\rho)$, we set

$$B\varphi = (B\varphi)(y) = \frac{\omega}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} H_0^{(1)}(\omega|\gamma - \gamma'|) \tilde{\varphi}(\gamma') d\gamma'$$

for each $y \in \Gamma$, where $\tilde{\varphi}$ is the ρ -periodical extension of φ on \mathbb{R}_1 and

$$H_0^{(1)}(\omega r) = -\frac{2i}{\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\mu \nu (i\omega r t)}{\sqrt{t^2 - 1}} dt$$

for $r > 0$.

A similar boundary value problem can be formulated for the components E_3 , B_2 , B_1 of the electromagnetic field.

Remark (1) is the reduced system of steady Maxwell's equations; (2) and (3) are boundary conditions on plasma-vacuum interfaces.

3. Weak formulation

We proved (see [1]), that $B\psi_k = \lambda_k \psi_k$ on Γ for each integer k , where $\psi_k = \psi_k(y) = \rho^{-4/2} \mu \nu \left(\frac{2k\pi i}{\rho} y\right)$ and $\lambda_k = \rho \omega (\rho^2 \omega^2 - (2k\pi)^2)^{-1/2}$; we mean the branch $\pi > \arg \Gamma > 0$.

For each real α , we define \mathcal{V}^α to be the closure of $\{v = v(y) : v \text{ is } \rho\text{-periodic and infinitely differentiable on } \mathbb{R}_1\}$ in the norm of the "fractional" Sobolev space $W^{\alpha,2}(\Gamma)$. Using the spectral properties of B , one can verify that $B: \mathcal{V}^\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{\alpha+1}$ is linear and bounded operator (for each real α). If $\alpha = -1/2$ then B is dissipative.

Graph of the operator A : We set

$$\mathcal{L} = \{v = (v_1, v_2, v_3) : (\sum_k \int_{\Omega} v_k \overline{v_k} dx)^{1/2} = \|v\| < +\infty\}$$

and define \mathcal{E} to be the closure of \mathcal{C} in the norm $\| \cdot \|_{\mathcal{E}}$, $\|v\|_{\mathcal{E}} = (\|v\|^2 + \|Av\|^2)^{1/2}$. It is possible to prove (see [1]) that there exist continuous extensions $T_1^+ : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{1/2}$, $T_1^- : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{1/2}$, $T_2^+ : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{-1/2}$, $T_2^- : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}^{-1/2}$; moreover, the operators above are surjective.

Problem (P) Data: $F \in \mathcal{L}$, $H^+ \in \mathcal{V}^{1/2}$, $H^- \in \mathcal{V}^{1/2}$. Find $u \in \mathcal{E}$:
 $Au + Au = F$ a.e. on Ω , $T_1^+ u + BT_2^+ u = H^+$ a.e. on Γ ,
 $T_1^- u - BT_2^- u = H^-$ a.e. on Γ . □

Theorem There exists one and only one solution to Problem (P).

Proof see [1].

4. Approximation

We considered finite difference approximation of the system (1), while the boundary conditions (2) and (3) were discretised by means of Galerkin method. Namely, the operator B was approximated by ΠB , where Π was a projection on a space S of piecewise constant functions. The operator $\Pi B: S \rightarrow S$ was represented as an $m \times m$ matrix, where m was a number of nodal points on Γ . The matrix can be explicitly evaluated; moreover, we know

(explicitly) its eigenvectors and eigenfunctions.

For the details concerning the discretisation of Problem (P), convergence results and the algorithm solving the discrete scheme, we refer to our report [1] .

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