Surface integral equations for conductors

- Let us return to our surface integral equations, but now assume that the scattering object is a perfect conductor. The immediate result is the surface integral equation

$$-\hat{n}' \times E_i(r') = -j \omega \mu_0 \hat{n}' \times \oint_S \overline{G}_0(r', r) \cdot [\hat{n} \times H(r)] dS$$

or

$$-\hat{n}' \times H_i(r') = \hat{n}' \times \oint_S \left[ \nabla' \times \overline{G}_0(r', r) \right] \cdot [\hat{n} \times H(r)] dS$$

- In evaluating the Green’s functions note that $$r' \rightarrow S$$ from $$V_c$$
Let us first focus on the 1st equation (EFIE). Note that

\[ \bar{G}_0(r',r) \cdot \left[ \hat{n} \times H(r) \right] = \bar{G}_0(r',r) \cdot J_s(r) \]

\[ = G_0(r',r)J_s(r) - \frac{1}{k^2} \nabla' \{ \nabla G_0(r',r) \cdot J_s(r) \} \]

\[ J_s(r) = \hat{n} \times H(r) \quad \text{Surface electric current} \]

By partial integration over S, its right hand side becomes

\[ -j \omega \mu_0 \hat{n}' \times \oint_S \left[ G_0(r',r)J_s(r) + \frac{1}{k^2} \nabla' G_0(r',r) \nabla \cdot J_s(r) \right] dS \]
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- Using the continuity relation for surface current

\[
\vec{n}' \times \left\{ -j \omega \mu_0 \oint_S G_0 (r', r) J_s (r) \, dS - \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \nabla' \oint_S G_0 (r', r) \rho_s (r) \, dS \right\}
\]

\[
\rho_s (r) = -\frac{1}{j \omega} \nabla \cdot J_s (r)
\]

- This is the tangential electric field generated inside \( V_c \) by surface currents and charges. The 1^{st} equation states that the total electric field should have a zero tangential component as we approach S from the conductor side.

- It remains true as we move across S.
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- Now consider the 2nd equation (MFIE). Note that

\[
\left[ \nabla' \times \mathbf{G}_0(r', r) \right] \cdot [\hat{n} \times \mathbf{H}(r)] = \left[ \nabla' \times \mathbf{G}_0(r', r) \right] \cdot \mathbf{J}_s(r)
\]

\[
= \nabla' \times \left[ G_0(r', r) \mathbf{J}_s(r) \right]
\]

\[
\hat{n}' \times \oint_S \left[ \nabla' \times \mathbf{G}_0(r', r) \right] \cdot [\hat{n} \times \mathbf{H}(r)] dS = \hat{n}' \times \oint_S G_0(r', r) \mathbf{J}_s(r) dS
\]

- This is the tangential magnetic field induced inside \( V_c \) by surface currents. The 2nd equation states that the total magnetic field should have no tangential component as we approach \( S \) from the conductor side. But this does not remain true across \( S \)!
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- Once solved, the scattered (far) field is found using the calculated surface magnetic field (3D case only)

\[
E_s(r) = jk_0 \eta_0 \frac{\exp(-jk_0 r)}{4\pi r} \hat{k}_s \times \left[ \hat{k}_s \times F\left(\hat{k}_s\right) \right]
\]

\[
H_s(r) = -\frac{jk_0 \exp(-jk_0 r)}{4\pi r} \hat{k}_s \times F\left(\hat{k}_s\right)
\]

\[
F\left(\hat{k}_s\right) = \oint_S \exp(jk_s \cdot r') J_s(r') dS'
\]

\[
J_s(r) = \hat{n} \times H(r)
\]
To keep the analysis simple, we again consider the 2D case where the object is cylindrical and infinitely long, while the incident wave vector has no z-component.

- **TE:** $H$ has only a z-component and $E$ lies on the x-y plane.
- **TM:** $E$ has only a z-component and $H$ lies on the x-y plane.

$\rho = (x, y)$
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- We can use the result obtained for dielectrics by letting the tangential electric field to be zero. For the TM case we use the 2D EFIE (MFIE is also applicable, but this is easier)

\[
E_{i,z}(\rho') = j\omega\mu_0 \oint_{\mathcal{C}} G_0^{(2D)}(\rho', \rho) H_\tau(\rho) dl
\]

\[\rho' \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \text{ from } \Omega_c\]

- Note that

\[
J_s(\rho) = J_{s,z}(\rho)\hat{z}
\]

\[
J_{s,z}(\rho) = H_\tau(\rho)
\]
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- In more detail:

\[
E_{i,z}(\rho') = \frac{\omega \mu_0}{4} \oint_{C} H_0^{(2)} \left(k_0 |\rho' - \rho| \right) J_{s,z}(\rho) dl
\]

- This is a Fredholm integral equation of the 1st kind which has to be solved over the boundary curve C.
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- For the TE case we use 2D MFIE (EFIE also possible)

$$H_{i,z}(\rho') = \oint_C \partial_n G_0^{(2D)}(\rho', \rho) H_z(\rho) dl$$

- Note that

$$J_s(\rho) = H_z(\rho)(\hat{n} \times \hat{z})$$

- In more detail:

$$H_{i,z}(\rho') = \frac{1}{4j} \oint_C \partial_n H_0^{(2)}(k_0 |\rho' - \rho|) H_z(\rho) dl$$

Note that

$$\rho' \to C \text{ from } \Omega_c$$
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

\[ \partial_n^- H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \rho \right| \right) = -\lim_{\zeta \to 0} \nabla H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \zeta \hat{n}' - \rho \right| \right) \cdot \hat{n} \]

- Now consider

\[ \nabla H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \rho \right| \right) = -k_0 H_0^{(2)'} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \rho \right| \right) \frac{\rho' - \rho}{\left| \rho' - \rho \right|} \]

\[ \partial_n^- H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \rho \right| \right) = k_0 \lim_{\zeta \to 0} H_0^{(2)'} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \zeta \hat{n}' - \rho \right| \right) \frac{\rho' - \zeta \hat{n}' - \rho}{\left| \rho' - \zeta \hat{n}' - \rho \right|} \cdot \hat{n} \]
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- Consider a section of the boundary curve containing $\rho'$.
- Instead of taking the limit this way, we consider a different procedure.
- We consider a slightly modified curve containing a small semi-circle surrounding $\rho'$ and let the circle radius to zero.
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- The contribution of the small semi-circle (radius \( \varepsilon \)) is found by using the following approximation on this circle:

\[
\partial_n^{-} H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 |\rho' - \rho| \right) \sim \frac{2}{\pi j} \frac{\rho' - \rho}{|\rho' - \rho|^2} \cdot \hat{n}
\]

- Note that on any point \( \rho \) on this semi-circle we have

\[
\hat{n} = \frac{\rho - \rho'}{|\rho' - \rho|}
\]
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

As a result:

\[
\frac{1}{4j} \oint_{\text{semi-circle}} \partial_n H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \rho \right| \right) H_z(\rho) dl = \frac{1}{2} H_z(\rho')
\]

The contribution of the rest of the curve is written as

\[
-\frac{k_0}{4j} \oint_C H_1^{(2)} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \rho \right| \right) \left( \frac{\rho' - \rho}{|\rho' - \rho|} \cdot \hat{n} \right) H_z(\rho) dl = \frac{k_0}{4j} \oint_C H_1^{(2)} \left( k_0 \left| \rho' - \rho \right| \right) \cos \left[ \theta(\rho, \rho') \right] H_z(\rho) dl
\]
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- We thus obtain the integral equation

\[
H_{i,z}(\rho') = \frac{1}{2} H_z(\rho') + \frac{jk_0}{4} \oint_C H_1^{(2)} \left( k_0 |\rho' - \rho| \right) \left( \frac{\rho' - \rho}{|\rho' - \rho|} \cdot \hat{n} \right) H_z(\rho) dl
\]

- Or:

\[
H_{i,z}(\rho') = \frac{1}{2} H_z(\rho') - \frac{jk_0}{4} \oint_C H_1^{(2)} \left( k_0 |\rho' - \rho| \right) \cos \left[ \vartheta(\rho, \rho') \right] H_z(\rho) dl
\]

- The integral is a principal value integral which excludes the interval \(2\varepsilon\) around the point \(\rho'\)
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- In both TE and TM cases, after solving the surface magnetic field, the scattered field is found from the original equations.
- The TE case we have for any \( \rho' \) outside the conductor:

\[
E_{s,z}(\rho') = -j \omega \mu_0 \oint_{C} G_0(\rho', \rho) J_{s,z}(\rho) dl
\]

\[
= -\frac{\omega \mu_0}{4} \oint_{C} H_0^{(2)}(k_0 |\rho' - \rho|) J_{s,z}(\rho) dl
\]

\[
= -\frac{\omega \mu_0}{4} \oint_{C} H_0^{(2)}(k_0 |\rho' - \rho|) H_\tau(\rho) dl
\]
But, we are interested in the far field:

\[
H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 | \rho' - \rho \right) \sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi k_0 \rho'}} \exp(-j k_0 \rho' + j \pi / 4) \exp( j k_s \cdot \rho )
\]

\[
E_{s,z} (\rho' \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow -\frac{\omega \mu_0}{4} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi k_0 \rho'}} \exp(-j k_0 \rho' + j \pi / 4) \int_C \exp( j k_s \cdot \rho ) J_{s,z} (\rho) dl
\]
For the TE scattering we have for any \( \rho' \) outside the conductor

\[
H_{s,z}(\rho') = \nabla' \times \oint_{C} G_{0}^{(2D)}(\rho', \rho) J_{s}(\rho) dl
\]

\[
= -\oint_{C} \partial_{n}^{-} G_{0}^{(2D)}(\rho', \rho) H_{z}(\rho) dl
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{4j} \oint_{C} \left[ \hat{n} \cdot \nabla H_{0}^{(2)}(k_{0} | \rho' - \rho |) \right] H_{z}(\rho) dl
\]
2D Surface integral equations for conductors

- Far field:

\[
H_{s,z}(\rho' \to \infty) \to \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi k_0 \rho'}} \exp(-j k_0 \rho' + j \pi / 4) \int_C \exp(j k_s \cdot \rho) H_z(\rho)(k_s \cdot \hat{n}) \, dl
\]
Infinitely long, finite width strip

- Consider the 2D scattering problem of a conducting strip of width $w$.
- Consider the TM case first. The incident electric field is then
  \[
  E_{i,z}(\rho') = E_0 \exp\left(-jk_{i,x}x - jk_{i,y}y\right)
  \]
- We then have to solve
  \[
  E_{i,z}(\rho') = \frac{\omega \mu_0}{4} \oint_C H_0^{(2)}\left(k_0 |\rho' - \rho|\right) J_{s,z}(\rho)dl
  \]
Infinitely long, finite width strip

- We take the strip to be very thin.
- Then we just have to consider the total surface current (top plus bottom surfaces). As a result we obtain the equation

\[ E_0 \exp(-j k_{i,x} x') = \frac{\omega \mu_0}{4} \int_0^w H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 |x' - x| \right) J_{s,z}(x) \]

- Can be solved by numerical methods.
Infinitely long, finite width strip

- If the wire width is much smaller than the wavelength

\[ k_0 w \ll 1 \rightarrow k_0 |x' - x| \ll 1 \]

\[
H_0^{(2)} \left( k_0 |x' - x| \right) \approx \frac{2}{\pi j} \ln \left( k_0 |x' - x| \right)
\]

\[
E_0 \exp \left( -j k_{i,x} x' \right) = \frac{\omega \mu_0}{2\pi j} \int_0^w \ln \left( k_0 |x' - x| \right) J_{s,z} (x) d|x| \]
Now consider the TE case where we use the MFIE formulation:

$$H_{i,z}(\rho') = \frac{1}{2} H_z(\rho') + \frac{jk_0}{4} \oint_{\Sigma} H^{(2)}_1 \left( k_0 |\rho' - \rho| \right) \left( \frac{\rho' - \rho}{|\rho' - \rho|} \cdot \hat{n} \right) H_z(\rho)dl$$

But we should be careful with letting the thickness of the conductor approach zero.

The correct limiting process should be considered.
Infinitely long, finite width strip

- Denote magnetic fields on the top and bottom surface by $H_{z}^{\pm}(x)$ and the incident fields on the top and bottom by $H_{i,z}^{\pm}(x)$.

- Neglect the sidewall contributions. For the field on the top surface we have

$$H_{i,z}^{+}(x') = \frac{1}{2} H_{z}^{+}(x') - \frac{jk_0 t}{4} \int_{0}^{w} \frac{H_{1}^{(2)}(x')}{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + t^2}} H_{z}^{-}(x)dx$$
Infinitely long, finite width strip

- On the bottom surface

\[
H_{i,z}^{-}(x') = \frac{1}{2} H_{z}^{-}(x') - \frac{jk_{0}t}{4} \int_{0}^{w} \frac{H_{1}^{(2)}(x')}{\sqrt{(x-x')^2 + t^2}} H_{z}^{+}(x) dx
\]

- Note that on the top surface

\[
\hat{J}_{x} = J_{x}^{+} \hat{x}, \quad J_{x}^{+}(x') = H_{z}^{+}(x')
\]

- Whereas on the bottom surface

\[
\hat{J}_{x} = J_{x}^{-} \hat{x}, \quad J_{x}^{-}(x') = -H_{z}^{-}(x')
\]
Infinitely long, finite width strip

- Subtracting equations leads to

\[ H_{i,z}^+ (x') - H_{i,z}^+ (x') = \frac{1}{2} J_x (x') + \frac{jk_0 t}{4} \int_0^w H_1^{(2)} \left[ k_0 \sqrt{(x-x')^2 + t^2} \right] J_x (x) dx \]

\[ J_x (x) = J_x^+ (x) + J_x^- (x) \quad \text{Total current} \]

- Bear in mind that

\[ \frac{H_1^{(2)} (z)}{z} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ H_0^{(2)} (z) + H_2^{(2)} (z) \right] \]
Infinitely long, finite width strip

- Keep in mind that if the thickness is much smaller than the wavelength then the left hand side is

\[ H_{i,z}^+(x') - H_{i,z}^+(x') \approx t \frac{\partial H_{i,z}}{\partial y} = (j\omega \varepsilon_0 t) E_{i,z} \]

- Also note that if the width of the strip is much smaller than the wavelength, then the right hand side can be approximated by

\[ \frac{1}{2} J_x(x') - \frac{t}{2\pi} \int_0^w \frac{J_x(x)}{(x-x')^2 + t^2} dx \]