Local absorbing boundary conditions for heterogeneous and convected time-harmonic acoustic problems

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Non-reflecting boundary conditions for time-harmonic problems

ightarrow Well-developed in the Helmholtz case (ABCs, PMLs, Infinite elements, etc.)

Industrial situation - flow acoustics

- heterogeneous medium spatially varying density ρ₀(x) and speed of sound c₀(x)
- convection spatially varying velocity vector field v₀(x)



Goals

- 1. improve accuracy of ABCs for such problems [Marchner et al., to appear in SIAP, 2022],
- 2. use them as transmission conditions for non-overlapping Schwarz domain decomposition
 - \rightarrow parallel time-harmonic solver [Lieu et al., CMAME, 2020]

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Microlocal analysis - DtN operator

ABCs: find local approximations of the Dirichlet-to-Neumann map

$$\widetilde{\Lambda^{+}}: \begin{cases} H^{1/2}(\Sigma) \to H^{-1/2}(\Sigma) \\ u_{|\Sigma} \mapsto \widetilde{\Lambda^{+}} u_{|\Sigma} = \partial_{\mathbf{n}} u_{|\Sigma} \end{cases}, \end{cases}$$

through pseudo-differential calculus [*Engquist and Majda 1977 & 1979*]



2D Helmholtz half-space problem with heterogeneous coefficients

$$\mathcal{L} = \rho_0^{-1} \partial_x (\rho_0 \partial_x) + \rho_0^{-1} \partial_y (\rho_0 \partial_y) + \omega^2 c_0^{-2}$$

$$\approx \left(\partial_x - i \sqrt{\omega^2 c_0^{-2} + \rho_0^{-1} \partial_y (\rho_0 \partial_y)} \right) \left(\partial_x + i \sqrt{\omega^2 c_0^{-2} + \rho_0^{-1} \partial_y (\rho_0 \partial_y)} \right)$$

We cannot formally factorize \mathcal{L} when $\partial_x(\rho_0) \neq 0$ or $\partial_x(c_0) \neq 0$

- Compute instead the symbol λ^+ of Λ^+
- ightarrow work on polynomials in ξ with pseudo-differential algebraic rules

Microlocal analysis - symbol expansion

Nirenberg's factorization theorem: there exists $(\Lambda^+, \Lambda^-) \in OPS^1$

$$\mathcal{L} = (\partial_x + i\Lambda^+) (\partial_x + i\Lambda^-) \mod \mathsf{OPS}^{-\infty}$$
$$= \partial_x^2 + i (\Lambda^+ + \Lambda^-) \partial_x + i \mathrm{Op} \{\partial_x \lambda^+\} - \Lambda^- \Lambda^+ \mod \mathsf{OPS}^{-\infty}.$$

Identify with the Helmholtz operator and get an equation for Λ^+

$$\left(\Lambda^{+}\right)^{2}+i\rho_{0}^{-1}\partial_{x}\left(\rho_{0}\right)\Lambda^{+}+i\operatorname{Op}\left\{\partial_{x}\lambda^{+}\right\}=\omega^{2}c_{0}^{-2}+\rho_{0}^{-1}\partial_{y}\left(\rho_{0}\partial_{y}\right)$$

"high frequency" asymptotic expansion for the total symbol λ^+

$$\lambda^+ \sim \sum_{j=-1}^{\infty} \lambda^+_{-j} = \lambda^+_1 + \lambda^+_0 + \lambda^+_{-1} + \cdots$$
 (classical symbol expansion)

Each λ^+_{-j} is homogeneous of leading order $(\omega/c_0,\xi)^{-j}$

$$\lambda_{1}^{+} = \sqrt{\omega^{2}c_{0}^{-2} - \xi^{2}}, \ \lambda_{0}^{+} = -i\left(\frac{\partial_{x}\left(\rho_{0}\right)}{2\rho_{0}} + \frac{\xi\partial_{y}\left(\rho_{0}\right)}{2\rho_{0}\lambda_{1}^{+}} + \frac{\omega^{2}\partial_{x}\left(c_{0}^{-2}\right)}{4\left(\lambda_{1}^{+}\right)^{2}} + \frac{\xi\omega^{2}\partial_{y}\left(c_{0}^{-2}\right)}{4\left(\lambda_{1}^{+}\right)^{3}}\right)$$

Microlocal regimes

Outgoing propagating waves are characterized by $\Re(\lambda_1^+) > 0$ **Evanescent waves** ? rotate the square root branch-cut [*Milinazzo et al. 1997*]

$$\lambda_1^+ = e^{i\alpha/2} \sqrt{e^{-i\alpha} (\omega^2 c_0^{-2} - \xi^2)}, \ \alpha \in [0, -\pi], \ (+i\omega t \text{ convention})$$

- $\omega c_0^{-1} > |\xi|$, x-positive propagating wave $\rightarrow \alpha = 0$,
- $\omega c_0^{-1} < |\xi|$, x-positive evanescent wave $\rightarrow \alpha = -\pi$,
- $\omega c_0^{-1} = |\xi|$, grazing wave, ill-posed problem

In practice choose $\alpha \in [0, -\pi/2]$

 \rightarrow trade-off to capture both propagative and evanescent part of the spectrum

Approximate DtN operator $\widetilde{\Lambda}^+_M$

$$\partial_{\mathbf{n}} u = -i\Lambda_M^+ u, \quad \Lambda_M^+ = \sum_{j=-1}^{M-2} \operatorname{Op}\left(\lambda_{-j}^+\right)$$

Take the trace on the outgoing boundary Σ to get $\widetilde{\Lambda}^+_M$

Difficulties

- the formal computation of λ^+_{-i} can be involved (PDE dependent),
- the operator ${
 m Op}\left(\lambda^+_{-j}
 ight)$ is in general not unique and still non-local
- limited a priori to smooth variations of ho_0 and c_0

Next step

focus on simplified academic situations

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Longitudinal heterogeneous waveguide

Single mode propagation in a heterogeneous waveguide: $\rho_0 = 1$, $c_0(x, y) = c_0(x)$



Single mode analytic solution for a linear profile

$$u_{\mathrm{ex}}^{n}(x,y) = \cos\left(k_{y}y\right) \operatorname{Ai}\left(e^{-\frac{2i\pi}{3}}\frac{k_{y}^{2}-\omega^{2}(ax+b)}{(a\omega^{2})^{2/3}}\right), \quad k_{y} = \frac{n\pi}{H}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Approximation at the symbol level

 $c_0^{-2}(x) = 5x + 0.1$, L = 1 at fixed frequency $\omega = 30$

Analytic total symbol $\lambda^{+} = -ie^{-\frac{2i\pi}{3}} \left(a\omega^{2}\right)^{1/3} \frac{\operatorname{Ai'}(z)}{\operatorname{Ai}(z)}, \quad z = e^{-\frac{2i\pi}{3}} \frac{\xi^{2} - \omega^{2}(aL+b)}{(a\omega^{2})^{2/3}}$



• singularity in the grazing regime $\xi \approx \omega c_0^{-1}$

Operator representation

Truncate the asymptotic expansion for λ^+

$$\lambda^{+} \approx \lambda_{1}^{+} + \lambda_{0}^{+} = \sqrt{\omega^{2}c_{0}^{-2} - \xi^{2}} - i\frac{\omega^{2}\partial_{x}(c_{0}^{-2})}{4(\omega^{2}c_{0}^{-2} - \xi^{2})}$$

Unique operator representation on $\Gamma_3 := \{x = L, y \in [0, H]\}$

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\Lambda}_{1}^{+} &= \mathsf{Op}(\lambda_{1}^{+}) = \sqrt{\omega^{2}c_{0}^{-2} + \Delta_{\Gamma}} \\ \widetilde{\Lambda}_{2}^{+} &= \mathsf{Op}(\lambda_{1}^{+} + \lambda_{0}^{+}) = \sqrt{\omega^{2}c_{0}^{-2} + \Delta_{\Gamma}} - i\frac{\omega^{2}\partial_{x}\left(c_{0}^{-2}\right)}{4}\left(\omega^{2}c_{0}^{-2} + \Delta_{\Gamma}\right)^{-1} \end{split}$$

 $\widetilde{\Lambda}_1^+$ and $\widetilde{\Lambda}_2^+$ are still **non-local** \Rightarrow square-root localization

Diagonal Padé approximants of order N in the high frequency limit

$$\sqrt{1+X} \approx K_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^N A_\ell X (1+B_\ell X)^{-1}, \ X = \Delta_{\Gamma}/(\omega^2 c_0^{-2}) \to 0$$

High-order FEM implementation

Weak formulation: discretization on a conformal high-order H^1 -basis

$$\forall v \in H^{1}(\Omega), \quad \int_{\Omega} \left\{ \nabla u \cdot \nabla \bar{v} - \omega^{2} c_{0}^{-2} u \bar{v} \right\} d\Omega + i \int_{\Gamma_{3}} \widetilde{\Lambda}_{2}^{+} u \bar{v} d\Gamma = \int_{\Gamma_{1}} g \bar{v} d\Gamma$$

$$\int_{\Gamma_3} \widetilde{\Lambda}_2^+ u \overline{v} \, d\Gamma = \int_{\Gamma_3} \omega c_0^{-1} \underbrace{\sqrt{1+X}}_{\approx \kappa_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^N A_\ell X (1+B_\ell X)^{-1}} u \overline{v} \, d\Gamma - i \int_{\Gamma_3} \frac{\partial_x \left(c_0^{-2}\right)}{4c_0^{-2}} (1+X)^{-1} u \overline{v} \, d\Gamma$$

Introduce auxiliary fields $\varphi_{\ell} = (1 + B_{\ell}X)^{-1}u$ and $\psi = (1 + X)^{-1}u$

Sparse discretization of inverse operators \Rightarrow Augmented system of N+1 surfacic equations

$$\int_{\Gamma_{3}} (1 + B_{\ell}X) \varphi_{\ell} \overline{\nu}_{\ell} \, d\Gamma = \int_{\Gamma_{3}} u \overline{\nu}_{\ell} \, d\Gamma$$
$$\int_{\Gamma_{3}} (1 + X) \psi \overline{\mu} \, d\Gamma = \int_{\Gamma_{3}} u \overline{\mu} \, d\Gamma$$

Numerical results

ABC^{N,α}: Local Padé approximation of $\widetilde{\Lambda}^+_M$ with rotation branch-cut α Relative L²-error (%)



use the derivative of $c_0 \Rightarrow$ more accurate ABC: $ABC_2^{N+1,\alpha} > ABC_1^{N,\alpha}$

Gain of \approx two order of magnitude Precision limited by the DtN symbol truncation

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Transverse heterogeneous waveguide

Spatial variation transverse to the boundary: $c_0(y)$, $\rho_0(y)$

$$\partial_x^2 u + \rho_0^{-1} \partial_y \left(\rho_0 \partial_y \right) u + \omega^2 c_0^{-2} u = 0$$

Formal operator factorization for outgoing waves

$$\Lambda_{S} = \sqrt{\omega^{2} c_{0}^{-2} + \rho_{0}^{-1} \nabla_{\Gamma} \left(\rho_{0} \nabla_{\Gamma}\right)}$$

Microlocal justification - total symbol of Λ_S

$$\lambda_{S}^{2} = \omega^{2} c_{0}^{-2} - \xi^{2} - i \rho_{0}^{-1} \partial_{y}(\rho_{0}) \xi$$

Classical symbol asymptotic expansion

$$\lambda_{1,S} = \sqrt{\omega^2 c_0^{-2} - \xi^2}, \ \lambda_{0,S} = -i\xi \left(\frac{\partial_y \left(\rho_0\right)}{2\rho_0 \lambda_{1,S}} + \frac{\omega^2 \partial_y \left(c_0^{-2}\right)}{4\left(\lambda_{1,S}\right)^3}\right), \ \lambda_{-1,S} = \cdots$$

It exactly matches the total DtN symbol λ^+

$$\operatorname{Op}(\lambda^+) = \Lambda_{\mathcal{S}} \mod \operatorname{OPS}^{-\infty}$$

Square-root approximations

Example: Gaussian speed of sound profile: $c_0(y)$, $\rho_0 = 1$, $k_0 = \omega c_0^{-1}$

Operator choices for local square-root approximation

$$\Lambda_{\omega} = \omega \sqrt{1 + \left[\left(c_0^{-2} - 1 \right) + \frac{\Delta_{\Gamma}}{\omega^2} \right]}, \quad \Lambda_{k_0} = k_0 \sqrt{1 + \frac{\Delta_{\Gamma}}{k_0^2}}$$





 $\mathsf{ABC}^{\mathsf{N},\alpha}_\omega$ seems increasingly accurate except for grazing modes

Discontinuous speed of sound profile

Layered waveguide:
$$c_0(y) = \begin{cases} 1/4, & y \in [H/2 - \delta, H/2 + \delta] \\ 1, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$
, $\delta = H/4$



Limitations

- grazing modes
- can require a large number of auxiliary fields

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Convected Helmholtz operator

Wave convection by a steady subsonic mean flow M < 1

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x},\partial_{\mathbf{x}},\omega) = \frac{D_0}{Dt} \left(\frac{1}{c_0^2} \frac{D_0}{Dt}\right) - \rho_0^{-1} \nabla \cdot (\rho_0 \nabla), \quad \frac{D_0}{Dt} = i\omega + \mathbf{v}_0 \cdot \nabla$$

Principal symbol (half-space), $M_x = v_{0,x}/c_0$, $M_y = v_{0,y}/c_0$, $k_0 = \omega/c_0$

$$\lambda_{1}^{+} = \frac{1}{1 - M_{x}^{2}} \left[-M_{x} \left(k_{0} - \xi M_{y} \right) + \sqrt{k_{0}^{2} - 2k_{0}M_{y}\xi - (1 - M^{2})\xi^{2}} \right]$$

Tangent plane approximation, $M_n = \mathbf{v}_0 \cdot \mathbf{n}/c_0, M_\tau = \mathbf{v}_0 \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}/c_0$

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\Lambda}_{1}^{+} &= \operatorname{Op}(\lambda_{1}^{+}) = \frac{k_{0}}{1 - M_{n}^{2}} \left(-M_{n} + iM_{n}M_{\tau} \frac{\nabla_{\Gamma}}{k_{0}} + \sqrt{1 + X} \right), \\ X &= -2iM_{\tau} \frac{\nabla_{\Gamma}}{k_{0}} + \left(1 - M^{2}\right) \frac{\Delta_{\Gamma}}{k_{0}^{2}}, \quad M = \left\| \mathbf{v}_{0} \right\| / c_{0} \end{split}$$

Point source convection in free field

Complex Padé approximants of $\sqrt{1+X}$ for $\tilde{\Lambda}_1^+ \Rightarrow ABC_1^{N,\alpha}$ Complex Taylor approximants $\Rightarrow ABC_1^{T0,\alpha}$ and $ABC_1^{T2,\alpha}$

Attempt to incorporate curvature effects from λ_0^+ (circle of radius R)

$$ABC_2 = ABC_1 + (1 - M^2)/(2R)$$



 $\mathsf{ABC}_1^{N,lpha}$ is robust for high Mach numbers - wavelength ratio (1+M)/(1-M)

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Domain decomposition in a nutshell

Domain partition:
$$\Omega = \bigcup_{i=0}^{N_{dom}-1} \Omega_i, \ \Sigma_{ij} = \overline{\partial \Omega_i \bigcap \partial \Omega_j}, \ j \neq i$$

$$\begin{array}{c} & & \\ & &$$

Parallel iterative (e.g. GMRES) solver for $\mathcal{A}\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{f} \text{ on } \Sigma \left(\partial_{n_i} u_i + i \mathcal{S}_i u_i = g_{ij} \right)$ Do at iteration (*n*)

- 1. Given $g_{ii}^{(n)}$, solve by a direct method $u_i^{(n)}$ in Ω_i ,
- 2. Update the (n + 1) interface unknowns on Σ_{ij} thanks to $g_{ji}^{(n+1)} = -g_{ij}^{(n)} + i(S_i + S_j)u_i^{(n+1)}$

If we choose $S_i = \widetilde{\Lambda}^+$ and $S_j = \widetilde{\Lambda}^-$, we converge in $(N_{dom} - 1)$ iterations

Illustration for a Gaussian waveguide

ABCs for S_i and S_j : propagating, evanescent and grazing modes Gaussian waveguide: $c_0(y) = 1.25 \left(1 - 0.4e^{-32(y-H/2)^2}\right), \rho_0(y) = c_0^2(y)$

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}\hline & \mathcal{S}_i & \mathsf{ABC}_{k_0}^{\mathsf{T0},-\pi/4} & \mathsf{ABC}_{k_0}^{\mathsf{T2},-\pi/4} & \mathsf{ABC}_{k_0}^{\mathsf{4(8)},-\pi/4} & \mathsf{ABC}_{\omega}^{\mathsf{4(8)},-\pi/4} \\\hline & \mathsf{It} \ (r_l = 10^{-6}) & 110 & 73 & 41 \ (\mathsf{41}) & 19 \ (\mathsf{7}) \\\hline \end{array}$$

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Thank you ! Questions ?