Surface Field Calculations for Microscopic Defects

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Introduction

• Microscopic defects

- \rightarrow E.g. burrs from machining, undulations due to crystal structures
- \rightarrow Can be created in accelerating structures
- \rightarrow Local surface-field enhancements
- \rightarrow Breakdown trigger of accelerating structures
- \rightarrow Deterioration of accelerator performance

• Accurate calculations of such surface fields desired

- Concave structure studied
 - We know: projection tips \rightarrow Large field enhancements
 - On the other hand, how large enhancements about concave structures?

• Field enhancement factors calculated using three different methods:

- Method_1: RF-field simulation based on the <u>Finite Integration Technique</u> (FIT)
- Method_2: Static-field simulation based on the FIT
- Method_3: Floating Random Walk

(The FIT is a generalized finite-difference scheme for solving Maxwell's equations, implemented in CST STUDIO SUITE.)

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Parameterization of Concave Geometry



PEC: <u>Perfect Electric Conductor</u> ($\sigma = infinite$) Vac: <u>Vac</u>uum

Simulating the round chamfer of the edges of the bonded planes of the Quadrant-type X-band accelerating structure:



Method_1 : FIT-based RF-Field Simulation using CST Microwave Studio (CST-MWS)

- ✓ Rectangular Waveguide with $f_{cutoff}(TE_{10}) = 10 \text{ GHz}$
- \checkmark A small groove at the center of the E-plane
- ✓ Port mode computation of TE_{10}
- ✓ Hexahedral meshing with the PBA

(PBA: <u>Perfect Boundary Approximation</u>)



Meshing Parameters and **Mesh-Size Dependence**



✓ FDSolver.Method "Hexahedral Mesh" ✓ Mesh.MeshType "PBA" '(Perfect Boundary Approx.) ✓ Mesh.LinesPerWavelength "300" (←10(default)) ✓ Mesh.AutomeshRefineAtPecLines "True", "**RAPL**" ✓ FDSolver.AccuracyHex "1e-6" Using a function: "GetFieldVectorSurface()" \rightarrow Better field interpolation scheme on PEC surfaces



Results by Method_1





Method_2: FIT-based *Static-Field* Simulation using CST EM Studio (CST-EMS)

✓ Static-field approximation

1V

- ✓ Two parallel PEC plates with a small groove (PEC: <u>Perfect Electric Conductor</u> (σ = infinite)) ✓ Potential difference: 1V
- ✓ Hexahedral meshing with the PBA

- (PBA: <u>Perfect Boundary Approximation</u>)
- \checkmark Same meshing parameters as used in the previous simulation



Comparison of the Results



Summary of Method_1&2

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• However,

- There might be some systematic errors related to the meshing and/or interpolation method.
- In general,
 - Methods with meshing are week in local-field calculations.
 - It is hard to estimate computation accuracies for finite-element, finite-difference, and finite-integration techniques.
- Some other methods suitable to local-field calculations?

Benchmark Test



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Exact Solution



FIT-based Simulation (1)



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FIB-based Simulation (2)



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Method_3: Floating Random Walk (FRW) ~ A Stochastic Approach ~

For an electro-static potential ϕ (harmonic function)

$$\phi(X,Y) = \frac{1}{2\pi r_1} \oint_{C_1} ds_1 \, \phi(X_1,Y_1) \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi r_1} \oint_{C_1} ds_1 \frac{1}{2\pi r_2} \oint_{C_2} ds_2 \, \phi(X_2,Y_2) \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi r_1} \oint_{C_1} ds_1 \frac{1}{2\pi r_2} \oint_{C_2} ds_2 \cdots$$

$$\cdots \frac{1}{2\pi r_N} \oint_{C_N} ds_N \, \phi(X_N,Y_N) \,, \, (3)$$

where C_N indicates a circle with a fixed radius of r_N :

$$r_N = \sqrt{X_N^2 + Y_N^2}$$
, (4)

and the value of r_N is always set to be the minimum distance to the boundary with a known potential. In the FRW



The multiple integration (3) can be given a probabilistic interpretation, and estimated by many random walks in a Monte-Carlo method

Method_3: Floating Random Walk (FRW)

Letting ϕ_k be an estimate by the k-th single random walk, and performing M random walks in total, we obtain an estimate \overline{V} and its error σ of the potential by M random walks according to the following formula:

$$\bar{\phi} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=1}^{M} \phi_k, \quad \sigma = \frac{\text{(Standard Deviation)}}{\sqrt{M}}.$$
 (5)

Advantages of FRW

- 1. No meshing (i.e. no space discretization)
- 2. Simple algorithm,
- 3. No large amount of computer memory needed,
- 4. High parallelization efficiency (← Monte Carlo method)
- 5. Calculation accuracies also estimated,
- 6. Higher accuracy with larger statistics of random walks.

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Can be overcome by adopting

GPGPU (<u>General-Purpose computing on Graphics Processing Units</u>)

- Many cores

- Rapidly-advancing field in computer science

It should be noted that GPGPU is weak in complicated algorithms.

GPGPU Computing

The FRW algorithm to calculate local fields is implemented in my own computer program for GPGPU written in CUDA Fortran / Fortran 2003.

This program was executed in a personal computer (<u>Dell Precision T7400</u>) with a GPGPU board of <u>NVIDIA Tesla C2070</u>.



Two Simulation Parameters in FRW

δn

Tiny distance from the conductor surface to compute electric fields:

$$\mathbf{E} = (1.0\mathbf{V} - \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{FRW}}(\delta n)) / \delta n$$

 $V_{FRW}(\delta n)$: potential at a distance of δn from the conductor surface



Very tiny distance to terminate random walks



How to Determine these Two Parameters ?

In this study, (Sn, r_{min}) is set to be (S0nm, 0.1nm) so as to have a 1µm-Resolution Computational Probe for the benchmark test.



Parallelization Efficiency

For a FRW computation on the benchmark test using one GPGPU board (NVIDIA Tesla C2070)



Comparisons with the FITbased Simulations



✓MC statistics: ~0.4% ✓Number of random walks / point : ~1 billion (=M) ✓Elapsed time of computation / point : ~1 minute



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Results



Theoretically the equivalent calculations performed on the FRW and CST-EMS (E-static)
 Systematically a few % smaller by CST-EMS than using the FRW

Conclusions for Method_3 (FRW)

• It has been found that

 The FIT-based simulations using CST-MWS/EMS systematically give a few % lower field-enhancement factors than using the FRW.

• It has been demonstrated that the FRW method

- Can give highly-accurate calculations of local surface fields for microscopic objects,
- Practical and Promising because of its suitability for GPGPU computing.
 - Significant speed-up to be achieved by further code improvements and using a GPU cluster
 → Better-resolution computational probe

• This FRW method is applicable to any structures.

- Next step: Surface field calculations for real conductor surfaces (3D) damaged by breakdowns/discharges, etc.
- What kind of shapes makes large field enhancements?

To be Continued...