A refraction index retrieval method using the Factorization Method for acoustics.

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We are interested in numerically retrieving a scatterer's acoustic refraction index. Thus we consider the Helmholtz equation with refractive index n(x) for a scattered field u^s , modeling the diffraction of an incident wave h by a scatterer $D = \text{support}(1 - n(x)) \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ (d=2 or 3) :

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u^s + k^2 n(x) u^s = -k^2 n(x) h, & x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ \text{Sommerfeld radiation condition on } u^s. \end{cases}$$
(1)

Provided some data u_0 measured on an observation surface Σ , we look for n(x) minimizing the following least squares problem :

$$\mathcal{J}_0(n) := \|\mathcal{F}(n) - u_0\|_{L^2(\Sigma)}^2,$$
(2)

with $\mathcal{F} : n \mapsto u^s |_{\Sigma}$ and u^s being the solution to (1). This problem is ill-posed and nonlinear. Following [1], we have investigated a coupled Gauss-Newton and Tychonov regularization method. This provides a sequence $n_{p+1} = n_p + \delta n_p$ converging locally to a solution for (2), δn_p being the minimizer of $\tilde{\mathcal{J}}_{\alpha}(\delta n)$:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}}_{\alpha}(\delta n) := \left\| \mathcal{F}'(n_p) \cdot \delta n - (u_0 - \mathcal{F}(n_p)) \right\|_{L^2(\Sigma)}^2 + \alpha \left\| \delta n_p \right\|_X^2 \quad (n_p \text{ fixed}),$$
(3)

where $\|\cdot\|_X$ is some norm and α a regularization parameter. If $\|\cdot\|_X = \langle B \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{L^2(D)}$, then δn_p is obtained as the solution of the normal equation

$$\left(\mathcal{F}'(n_p)^*\mathcal{F}'(n_p) + \alpha B\right)\delta n_p - \mathcal{F}'(n_p)\left(u_0 - \mathcal{F}(n_p)\right) = 0.$$
(4)

Obviously, the convergence is influenced by the choice of $\|\cdot\|_X$. Hence, this paper investigates the build of an $L^2(D)$ weighted space, whose norm will be $\|\cdot\|_X$, from a fast domain reconstruction method such as the Factorization Method [2]. It provides a characteristic function of D in terms of a constrained minimization problem :

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{R}^d, \ z \in D \iff W_n(z) := \inf\left\{ \left| \langle F_n^{\infty} \psi, \psi \rangle_{L^2(\Gamma)} \right|, \ \langle \Phi_z^{\infty}, \psi \rangle_{L^2(\Gamma)} = 1 \right\} > 0, \tag{5}$$

where F_n^{∞} is the far field operator for (1), Γ a part of the unit sphere S_1^d and Φ_z^{∞} Green's function far field for (1) with n(x) = 1 (free space).

Moreover, place now an inhomogeneity Ω into D, and design by \tilde{n} this modified scatterer's refraction index. Then we can construct a new "characteristic" function $\tilde{W}_{\{\tilde{n},n\}}$ by using the substraction of the far fields induced by $\tilde{n}(x)$ and n(x):

$$\tilde{W}_{\{\tilde{n},n\}}(z) := \inf\left\{ \left| \langle (F_{\tilde{n}}^{\infty} - F_{n}^{\infty})\psi, \psi \rangle_{L^{2}(\Gamma)} \right|, \, \langle \Phi_{z}^{\infty}, \psi \rangle_{L^{2}(\Gamma)} = 1 \right\} > 0.$$
(6)



FIG. 1 – Localization of inclusion and gradient of $W_{\{\tilde{n},n\}}$.

This function seems to give a close representation of the shape of Ω (see [3]), as seen on Fig. 1.

The straightforward norm of the $L^2(D)$ weighted space which measure is defined by $\tilde{W}_{\{\tilde{n},n\}}$ is then taken as $\|\cdot\|_X$. Reconstruction results, comparable to those with a BV norm (see [1]), are encouraging. Fig. 2 shows an example for n(x) = 2.5 when $x \in B([0.3, 0.3], 0.4)$ and n(x) = 3 + 0.1i elsewhere (of course n(x) = 1 outside of D).



FIG. 2 – Reconstruction of n(x) with the weighted $L^2(D)$ norm (real and imaginary parts).

At last, as $\hat{W}_{\{\tilde{n},n\}}$ provides a local information on the scatterer, we investigate an adaptive refinement process for the reconstruction. This is done in order to enable more precise reconstructions without increasing the computational costs. Fig. 3 shows the areas where n(x) will be looked for as a piecewise constant complex function, and the corresponding computed values (n(x) = 1.3 + 0.4i when $x \in B([0.4, 0.4], 0.1)$ and n(x) = 1.6 + 0.2i elsewhere).



FIG. 3 – Adaptive mesh after 5 iterations (left), real (center) and imaginary (right) parts of n(x)

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