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# MODELLING OF DIELECTRIC CAVITY STRUCTURES USING MULTIRESOLUTION TIME-DOMAIN ANALYSIS

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#### **SUMMARY**

Multiresolution time domain (MRTD) analysis is applied directly to Maxwell's equations to model inhomogeneous dielectric material. In our approach, scaling and wavelet functions are used as a complete basis for the method of moments. The MRTD scheme is used to analyze different types of resonant cavity structures with varying dielectric perturbations in one, two and three dimensions. The results presented here agree very well with those obtained by FDTD, FEM and integral equation methods. MRTD allows for considerable savings in memory and computation time in comparison to FDTD, while maintaining the same accuracy of the results. © 1998 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The method of moments<sup>1</sup> is a mathematically correct approach for the discretization of integral and partial differential equations. This technique can be used to derive Yee's FDTD scheme using pulse functions for the expansion of the unknown fields.<sup>2,3</sup> Since the method of moments allows for the use of a complete set of orthonormal basis functions, the choice of an appropriate set may lead to new discretization schemes. In the literature,<sup>4,5</sup> the use of scaling and wavelet functions as a complete set of basis functions is called multiresolution analysis. The MRTD scheme is a fast-growing new method<sup>6–8</sup> which incorporates the advantages of multiresolution analysis. It has been shown that the MRTD scheme has highly linear dispersion characteristics resulting in a high degree of accuracy in electromagnetic computations for discretizations close to the Nyquist limit. The MRTD scheme presented in this paper is extended for arbitrary resonant cavity structures, with varying dielectrics. Complete formulations for dielectrics in one, two and three dimensions have been developed, using both scaling and wavelet functions.

Battle-Lemarie<sup>9,10</sup> scaling and wavelet functions are used to represent the electric and magnetic fields in several resonant cavity structures. The first is a cavity which is loaded with a quarterslice dielectric. In this case the  $\epsilon$  coefficient varies only along one co-ordinate direction, which is referred to as a one-dimensional dielectric perturbation. Both the scaling function based MRTD (S-MRTD) and wavelet function based MRTD (Wy-MRTD) scheme achieved excellent correlation with FDTD results and analytic values for discretization close to the Nyquist limit. The second structure is a resonant cavity loaded with a dielectric slice along two co-ordinate directions, referred to as a two-dimensional dielectric perturbation. As with the previous structure, the S-MRTD method achieved excellent correlation with FDTD results. The final analysis is performed with two different resonant cavities with a dielectric along three co-ordinate directions, referred to as a three-dimensional dielectric perturbation. In the first case, a cavity has a varying threedimensional dielectric perturbation in one corner of the structure. It is shown that S-MRTD gives excellent correspondence to FDTD in the frequency domain. The second case is a cavity with a varying three-dimensional dielectric perturbation in the centre of the bottom side. In this case S-MRTD results are compared to results generated by FEM and integral equation (IE) methods. Once again excellent correspondence is achieved between S-MRTD, FEM and IE methods.

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### 2. MODELLING INHOMOGENEOUS DIELECTRIC MATERIAL

In the S-MRTD scheme, Battle–Lemarie scaling functions<sup>9,10</sup> are used as a complete set of orthonormal basis functions. This scheme is derived in a homogeneous medium by representing the field components as a series of scaling and pulse functions in the space and time domains.<sup>11,12</sup> For complete multiresolution analysis, first-order wavelet functions are added to produce the Wy-MRTD scheme. The Wy-MRTD scheme in a homogeneous medium is derived by representing the field components as a series of scaling and wavelet functions in the space domain and pulse functions in the time domain. The situation becomes more complicated for inhomogeneous dielectric media. Since Battle–Lemarie (BL) scaling functions are non-localized in space, they cannot account directly for localized boundary conditions. This Section describes how to discretize the appropriate constitutive relations for one-, two- and three-dimensional dielectric perturbations.

#### 2.1. General derivation

To model the electromagnetic field inside an inhomogeneous dielectric material, Maxwell's first vector equation is separated in

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} \tag{1}$$

and

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon (\vec{r}, t) \mathbf{E} \tag{2}$$

where **D** represents the electric flux vector and  $\epsilon(r,t)$  the space- and time-dependent permittivity tensor. These equations can be discretized using scaling and pulse functions in the space and time domains, respectively, as expansion factors in the method of moments. The use of non-localized basis functions cannot accommodate localized boundary conditions and cannot allow for a localized modelling of the material properties. To overcome this difficulty, the image principle is used to model perfect electric and magnetic boundary conditions. As for the description of material parameters, the constitutive relations are discretized accordingly so that the relationships between the electric/magnetic flux and the electric/magnetic field are given by matrix equations. In the following, the discretization of (2) using the method of moments is described.

In the principal co-ordinate system, the permittivity tensor  $\epsilon$  for symmetric media is given by

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\vec{r},t) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{x}(\vec{r},t) & 0 & 0\\ 0 & \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{y}(\vec{r},t) & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{z}(\vec{r},t) \end{bmatrix}$$
(3)

In this case, (2) may be written in the form of three scalar Cartesian equations as

$$D_{x} = \epsilon_{x}(\vec{r}, t)E_{x} \tag{4}$$

$$D_{y} = \epsilon_{y}(\vec{r}, t)E_{y} \tag{5}$$

$$D_z = \epsilon_z (\vec{r}, t) E_z \tag{6}$$

For simplicity in the presentation, consider the discretization of (4), (5) and (6) for field expansions using only scaling functions in the space domain. Under this assumption the field expansions of the electric flux and electric field vectors are shown by the following set of equations:

$$F_{x}(\vec{r},t) = \sum_{k,l,m,n=-\infty}^{+\infty} {}_{k}F_{l+1/2,m,n}^{\phi x} \ h_{k}(t) \ \phi_{l+1/2}(x) \ \phi_{m}(y) \ \phi_{n}(z)$$

$$\vec{F_y(r,t)} = \sum_{k,l,m,n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \ _k F_{l,m+1/2,n}^{\phi y} \ h_k(t) \ \phi_l(x) \ \phi_{m+1/2}(y) \ \phi_n(z)$$

$$F_{z}(\vec{r},t) = \sum_{k,l,m,n=-\infty}^{+\infty} {}_{k}F_{l,m,n+1/2}^{\phi z} h_{k}(t) \phi_{l}(x) \phi_{m}(y) \phi_{n+1/2}(z)$$
(7)

where  $F_{\kappa}(\vec{r},t) = [E_{\kappa}(\vec{r},t), D_{\kappa}(\vec{r},t)]$ , with  $\kappa = x,y,z$ . The coefficients  $_k F_{l,m,n}^{\phi\kappa}$  represent the field expansion coefficients in terms of scaling functions. The indices l, m, n and k are the discrete space and time indices related to the space and time co-ordinates via  $x = l\Delta x$ ,  $y = m\Delta y$ ,  $z = n\Delta z$  and  $t = k\Delta t$ , where  $\Delta x$ ,  $\Delta y$ ,  $\Delta z$  and  $\Delta t$  represent the space and time discretization intervals in the x-, y-, z- and t-directions. The function  $h_m(x)$  is defined as

$$h_m(x) = h \left( \frac{x}{\Delta x} - m \right) \tag{8}$$

where h(x) is a rectangular pulse function given by

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } |x| < 1/2\\ 1/2 & \text{for } |x| = 1/2\\ 0 & \text{for } |x| > 1/2 \end{cases}$$
 (9)

The function  $\phi_m(x)$  is defined as

$$\phi_m(x) = \phi \left( \frac{x}{\Delta x} - m \right) \tag{10}$$

where  $\phi(x)$  represents the cubic spline Battle–Lemarie scaling functions. <sup>9,10</sup>

The field equations shown in (7) are inserted into (4), (5) and (6) and the equations are sampled using pulse functions with respect to time and scaling test functions with respect to space. Assuming

$$\vec{\epsilon_{\kappa}(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_{\kappa}(x)} \; \vec{\epsilon_{\kappa}(y)} \; \vec{\epsilon_{\kappa}(z)} \; \vec{\epsilon_{\kappa}(t)}$$
 (11)

and sampling (4) with  $\phi_{l+1/2}(x)$   $\phi_m(y)$   $\phi_n(z)$   $h_k(t)$  yields

$${}_{k}D^{\phi x}_{l+1/2,m,n} = \sum_{k',l',m',n'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon^{\phi x}_{(x)l+1/2,l+1/2'} \epsilon^{\phi x}_{(y)m,m'} \epsilon^{\phi x}_{(z)n,n'} \epsilon^{x}_{(t),k,k'} {}_{k'}E^{\phi z}_{l'+1/2,m',n'}$$
(12)

where  $\epsilon_{(\kappa)m,m'}^{\phi x}$  and  $\epsilon_{(t)k,k'}^{x}$  are integrals given by

$$\epsilon_{(\kappa)m,m'}^{\phi x} = \frac{1}{\Delta \kappa} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi_m(\kappa) \ \epsilon_x(\kappa) \ \phi_{m'}(\kappa) \ d\kappa \tag{13}$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{(t)k,k'}^{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} h_k(t) \, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\mathbf{x}}(t) \, h_{k'}(t) \, \mathrm{d}t \tag{14}$$

In subsequent Sections, the derivation of specific expressions for the dielectrics in one, two and three dimensions are presented.

## 2.2. Analysis of resonant cavities with one-dimensional dielectrics

In this Section the equations describing a dielectric perturbation that varies only along one direction are derived. Consider, for example, the structure shown in Figure 1. This structure has a dielectric constant which varies only along the *y*-axis and is homogeneous along the *x*- and *z*-directions, with no time dependence. Therefore, the non-zero elements of the permittivity tensor are as follows:

$$\vec{\epsilon_x(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_x(y)} \tag{15}$$

$$\vec{\epsilon_y(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_y(y)} \tag{16}$$

$$\vec{\epsilon_x(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_z(y)} \tag{17}$$

Applying (15), (16) and (17) to (4), (5) and (6), and using the field expansions in (7), yields:

$${}_{k}D^{\phi x}_{l+1/2,m,n} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon^{\phi x}_{(y)m,m'} {}_{k'}E^{\phi x}_{l'+1/2,m',n'}$$
(18)

$${}_{k}D_{l,m+1/2,n}^{\phi y} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon_{(y)m+1/2,m'+1/2}^{\phi y} {}_{k'}E_{l',m'+1/2,n'}^{\phi y}$$
(19)

$${}_{k}D^{\phi z}_{l,m,n+1/2} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon^{\phi z}_{(y)m,m'} {}_{k'}E^{\phi z}_{l',m',n'+1/2}$$
(20)

where the integrals  $\epsilon^{\phi x}_{(y)m,m'}$ ,  $\epsilon^{\phi y}_{(y)m+1/2,m'+1/2}$  and  $\epsilon^{\phi z}_{(y)m,m'}$  are given by:

$$\epsilon_{(y)m,m'}^{\phi x} = \frac{1}{\Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi_m(y) \, \varepsilon_x(y) \, \phi_{m'}(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \tag{21}$$

$$\epsilon_{(y)m+1/2,m'+1/2}^{\phi y} = \frac{1}{\Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi_{m+1/2}(y) \ \epsilon_{y}(y) \ \phi_{m'+1/2}(y) \ dy$$
 (22)

$$\epsilon_{(y)m,m'}^{\phi z} = \frac{1}{\Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi_m(y) \ \epsilon_z(y) \ \phi_{m'}(y) \ dy \tag{23}$$

Note that although the limits of integration are infinite the Battle-Lemarie scaling functions exponentially decay to zero after  $\pm 6\Delta l$ , which significantly truncates the limits of the integration.

For the evaluation of the integrals, (21)–(23), a simple representation of the scaling function in terms of cubic spline functions is used. The structure shown in Figure 1 is used to illustrate an evaluation of the integrals. This structure is a resonant cavity that is one-quarter filled with a dielectric material. The cavity has the dimensions 1 cm  $\times$  2 cm  $\times$  1.5 cm, and the dielectric material has a relative dielectric constant equal to 10. A discretization of 2  $\times$  6  $\times$  3 is applied for the method described below. The electric field components tangential to the dielectric interface,  ${}_{k'}E^{hx}_{l',m',n'}$  and  ${}_{k'}E^{hx}_{l',m',n'}$ , are related to  ${}_{k}D^{hx}_{l,m,n}$  and  ${}_{k'}D^{hx}_{l,m,n}$  by the tangential epsilon( $\epsilon$ ) coefficients  $\epsilon^{hx}_{l'}$ 

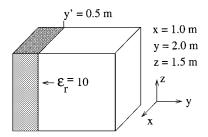


Figure 1. Cavity resonator one-quarter filled with dielectric

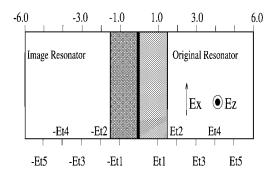


Figure 2. Tangential epsilon components

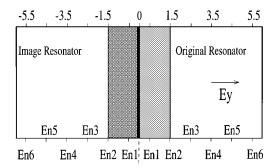


Figure 3. Normal epsilon components

and  $\epsilon_{l',m',n'}^{\phi z}$ , respectively. Additionally, the electric field component normal to the dielectric interface  $_{k'}E_{l',m',n'}^{\phi y}$  is related to  $_{k'}D_{l',m',n'}^{\phi y}$  by the normal  $(\epsilon)$  coefficient  $\epsilon_{(y)}^{\phi y}$ . To model the structure in Figure 1 the image principle is applied, thus replacing the structure in Figure 1 by the structures shown in Figures 2 and 3, respectively. The tangential  $\epsilon$  coefficients now relate ten  $_{k'}E_{l',m',n'}^{\phi x}$  components to ten  $_{k'}D_{l,m,n}^{\phi x}$  components through a  $10 \times 10$  matrix. The image principle applies odd symmetry of the tangential electric fields. Thus the five tangential electric field components in the image resonator are linearly dependent on the five tangential electric field components in the original resonator. This allows the elimination of the field components in the image resonator, reducing the  $10 \times 10$  matrix to a  $5 \times 5$  matrix, which is used in (8). Similarly, the  $12 \times 12$  matrix of the normal  $\epsilon$  coefficient is reduced to a  $6 \times 6$  matrix using even symmetry for the normal electric field component. Note that a general description of  $\epsilon$  coefficients in (9) allows for an arbitrary positioning of the dielectric interface.

The MRTD method for the structure in Figure 1 at a discretization of  $2 \times 6 \times 3$  proved to be the closest approximation to analytic values. This is due to to the fact that a discretization of  $2 \times 4 \times 3$  is nearly at the Nyquist criterion for the variation of  $\epsilon$  in the y-direction (one sampling point in the dielectric material).

MRTD results are compared to analytic values and the results obtained by Yee's FDTD scheme in Table I. The same value for the time discretization interval  $\Delta t = 0.9 \times 10^{-9} \,\mathrm{s}$  is used for both schemes. This time step interval is chosen to maximize the linear properties of the MRTD dispersion relation. Both cases run for 35,000 time steps. For the analysis using Yee's FDTD scheme, a mesh with  $\Delta x = \Delta y = \Delta z = 0.1 \,\mathrm{cm}$  is used, resulting in a total number of 3000 grid points. In the  $2 \times 6 \times 3$  analysis, a total number of 36 grid points is used, resulting in a memory improvement by a factor of 83 for MRTD. Additionally an improvement by a factor of 10 in computation time is found for the MRTD method.

Table I. Resonant frequency data for a cavity one-quarter filled with dielectric material

Analytic, GHz	6.6990	8.7805	9.3007
FDTD $(10 \times 20 \times 15)$	6.686	8.770	9.270
FDTD relative error %	-0.194	-0.119	-0.330
S-MRTD $(2 \times 6 \times 3)$	6.707	8.800	9.343
MRTD relative error %	0.119	0.222	0.435

Due to the properties of multiresolution analysis, MRTD has a unique ability to calculate field distributions. While a method such as FDTD results in only one field value per discretization cell, MRTD scaling functions imply field variations within the discretization cell. Deriving MRTD and FDTD using the method of moments, the field components have to be interpreted as field expansion coefficients. From the different field expressions, it is clear that the field expansion coefficients of the FDTD scheme represent the total field value at a specific point, while the field expansion coefficients of the MRTD scheme represent a fraction of the total field. To calculate the total field at a space point, the field expansions are sampled with delta test functions in the space and time domains. For example, the total electric field  $E_y(x_o, y_o, z_o, t_o)$  with  $(k-1/2)\Delta t < t_o < (k+1/2)\Delta t$  is calculated by

$$E_{x}(x_{o}, y_{o}, z_{o}, t_{o}) = \iiint E_{y}(x, y, z, t) \delta(x - x_{o}) \delta(y - y_{o}) \delta(z - z_{o}) \delta(t - t_{o}) dx dy dz dt$$

$$= \sum_{l', m', n' = -\infty}^{\infty} {}_{k} E_{l', m' + 1/2, n'}^{y, \phi, \phi, \phi} \phi_{l'}(x_{o}) \phi_{m' + 1/2}(y_{o}) \phi_{n'}(z_{o})$$
(24)

Practically, the above summation is truncated to very few terms (6–8 per index), due to the exponentially decaying support of the Battle-Lemarie scaling function.

Figures 4 and 5 show plots of  $E^{\phi y}$  calculated using S-MRTD with a discretization of  $2 \times 8 \times 3$  for the quarter-slice dielectric. Figure 4 shows the amplitudes of the scaling functions calculated by MRTD. Figure 5 shows field distributions using seven intermediate points along each of the co-ordinate axes. Figure 6 shows a field plot calculated by FDTD with a discretization of  $20 \times 40 \times 30$ . It should be noted that execution time for the interpolation was extremely low.

As mentioned above, for multiresolution analysis, wavelets must be added to discretize Maxwell's equations in the space domain. Therefore, consider the discretization of (4)–(6) for field expansions with scaling and wavelet functions in the space domain. The expansions of the field components are now a two-fold expansion in scaling and wavelet functions with respect to the y-axis as shown below:

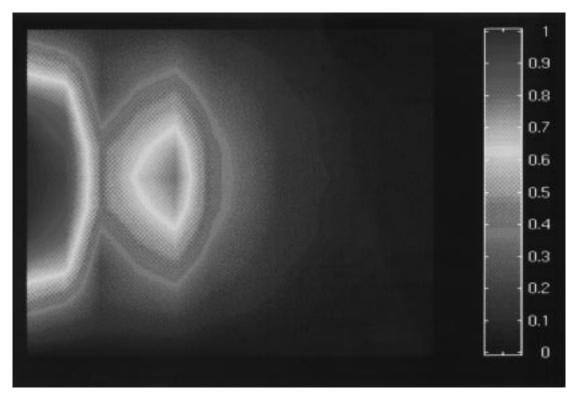


Figure 4. S-MRTD field pattern for quarter dielectric, not interpolated

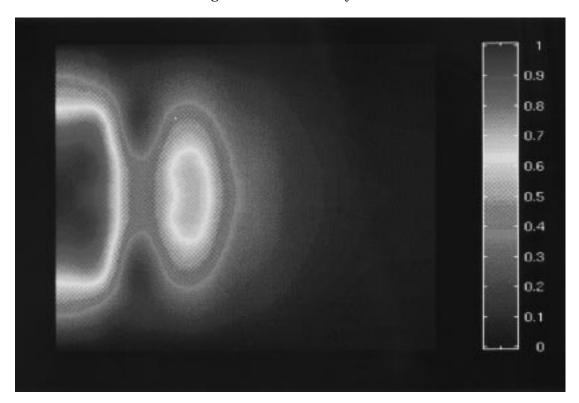


Figure 5. S-MRTD field pattern for quarter dielectric, interpolated

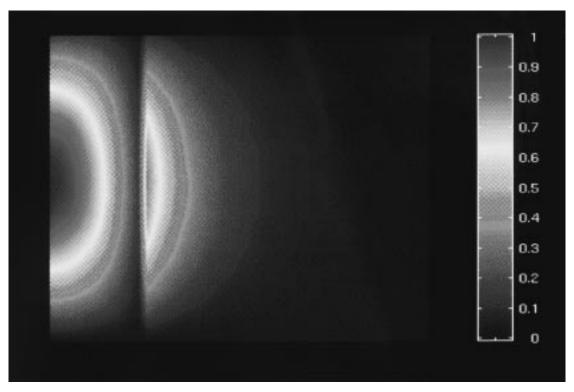


Figure 6. FDTD field pattern for quarter dielectric

$$F_{x}(\vec{r},t) = \sum_{k,l,m,n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( {}_{k}F_{l+1/2,m,n}^{\phi x} \phi_{m}(y) + {}_{k}F_{l+1/2,m+1/2,n}^{\psi x} \psi_{m+1/2}(y) \right) h_{k}(t) \phi_{l+1/2}(x) \phi_{n}(z)$$

$$F_{y}(\vec{r},t) = \sum_{k,l,m,n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( {}_{k}F_{l,m+1/2,n}^{\phi y} \phi_{m+1/2}(y) + {}_{k}F_{l,m,n}^{\psi y} \psi_{m}(y) \right) h_{k}(t) \phi_{l}(x) \phi_{n}(z)$$

$$\vec{F_z(r,t)} = \sum_{k,l,m,n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( {}_{k}F_{l,m,n+1/2}^{\phi_z} \phi_m(y) + {}_{k}F_{l,m+1/2,n+1/2}^{\psi_z} \psi_{m+1/2}(y) \right) h_k(t) \phi_l(x) \phi_{n+1/2}(z)$$
 (25)

where  $F_{\kappa}(\vec{r},t) = (E_{\kappa}(\vec{r},t),D_{\kappa}(\vec{r},t))$  with  $\kappa = x,y,z$ . Inserting (15), (16) and (17) into (4), (5) and (6) while using the expansions given in (25) and the procedure discussed above yields:

$${}_{k}D_{l+1/2,m,n}^{\phi x} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \epsilon_{(y)m,m'}^{\phi x} {}_{k}E_{l+1/2,m',n}^{\phi x} + \epsilon_{(y)m,m'+1/2}^{lx} {}_{k}E_{l+1/2,m'+1/2,n}^{\phi x} \right)$$
(26)

$${}_{k}D_{l+1/2,m+1/2,n}^{l/x} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \epsilon_{(y)m',m+1/2}^{lx} {}_{k}E_{l+1/2,m',n}^{dx} + \epsilon_{(y)m+1/2,m'+1/2}^{l/x} {}_{k}E_{l+1/2,m'+1/2,n}^{l/x} \right)$$
(27)

$${}_{k}D_{l,m+1/2,n}^{\phi y} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \epsilon_{(y)m+1/2,m'+1/2}^{\phi y} {}_{k}E_{l,m'+1/2,n}^{\phi y} + \epsilon_{(y)m+1/2,m'}^{ly} {}_{k}E_{l,m',n}^{ly} \right)$$
(28)

$${}_{k}D_{l,m,n}^{\mu y} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \epsilon_{(y)m'+1/2,m}^{ly} {}_{k}E_{l,m'+1/2,n}^{\phi y} + \epsilon_{(y)m,m'}^{\mu y} {}_{k}E_{l,m',n}^{\mu y} \right)$$
 (29)

$${}_{k}D_{l,m,n+1/2}^{\phi z} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \epsilon_{(y)m,m'}^{\phi z} {}_{k}E_{l,m',n+1/2}^{\phi z} + \epsilon_{(y)m',m+1/2}^{lz} {}_{k}E_{l,m'+1/2,n+1/2}^{\psi z} \right)$$
(30)

$$_{k}D_{l,m+1/2,n+1/2}^{\psi z} = \sum_{m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left( \epsilon_{(y)m+1/2,m'}^{lz} \,_{k} E_{l,m',n+1/2}^{\phi z} + \epsilon_{(y)m+1/2,m'+1/2}^{\psi z} \,_{k} E_{l,m'+1/2,n+1/2}^{\psi z} \right)$$
(31)

The new generalized integral identities are:

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{(y)m,m'}^{\psi\kappa} = \frac{1}{\Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \psi_m(y) \; \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\kappa}(y) \; \psi_{m'}(y) \; \mathrm{d}y \tag{32}$$

and

$$\epsilon_{(y)m,m'}^{I\kappa} = \frac{1}{\Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \phi_m(y) \ \epsilon_{\kappa}(y) \ \psi_{m'}(y) \ dy \tag{33}$$

The procedure for evaluating the integrals is similar to the procedure discussed for equations (21)–(23).

Data for the structure shown in Figure 1 are presented in Table II, with four and six wavelets added along the y-direction. As can be seen from Table II, adding wavelets increases the resonant frequency resolution.

## 2.3. Analysis of resonant cavity with 2D dielectric

This Section shows the derivation of the equations describing a dielectric perturbation that varies along two co-ordinate directions. Consider the structure shown in Figure 7, where the

Table II. Resonant frequency data for a cavity one-quarter filled with dielectric material with the application of wavelets along the y-direction

Analytic, GHz	6.699	8.7805	9.300
Wy-MRTD (6 wavelets)	6.703	8.7825	9.315
Wy-MRTD relative error %	0.0596	0.0227	0.1613
Wy-MRTD (4 wavelets)	6.705	8.7850	9.325
Wy-MRTD relative error, %	0.0894	0.05122	0.268

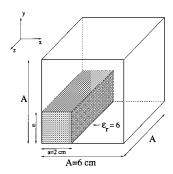


Figure 7. 2D dielectric structure

dielectric varies along the x- and y-directions and is constant in the z-direction. In this structure, the non-zero elements of the permittivity tensor are as follows:

$$\vec{\epsilon_x(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_x(x,y)} \tag{34}$$

$$\vec{\epsilon_y(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_y(x,y)} \tag{35}$$

$$\overrightarrow{\epsilon_z(r,t)} = \overrightarrow{\epsilon_z(x,y)} \tag{36}$$

Following the procedure above, (34), (35) and (36) are applied to (4), (5) and (6). Then, using the field expansions given by (7) yields

$${}_{k}D^{\phi x}_{l+1/2,m,n} = \sum_{l',m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon^{\phi x}_{(x,y)l+1/2,l'+1/2,m,m'} {}_{k'}E^{\phi x}_{l'+1/2,m',n'}$$
(37)

$${}_{k}D^{\phi y}_{l,m+1/2,n} = \sum_{l',m'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon^{\phi y}_{(x,y)l,l',m+1/2,m'+1/2} {}_{k'}E^{\phi y}_{l',m'+1/2,n'}$$
(38)

$${}_{k}D^{\phi z}_{l,m,n+1/2} = \sum_{n'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon^{\phi z}_{(x,y)l,l',m,m'} {}_{k'}E^{\phi z}_{l',m',n'+1/2}$$
(39)

where the integrals  $\epsilon_{(x,y)l+1/2,l'+1/2,m,m'}^{\phi x}$ ,  $\epsilon_{(x,y)l,l',m+1/2,m'+1/2}^{\phi y}$  and  $\epsilon_{(z)l,l',m,m'}^{\phi z}$  are given by:

$$\epsilon_{(x,y)l+1/2,l'+1/2,m,m'}^{\phi x} = \frac{1}{\Delta x \Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon_x(x,y) \phi_{l+1/2}(x) \ \phi_{l'+1/2}(x) \ \phi_m(y) \ \phi_{m'}(y) \ dx \ dy \tag{40}$$

$$\epsilon_{(x,y)l,l',m+1/2,m'+1/2}^{\phi y} = \frac{1}{\Delta x \Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon_{y}(x,y) \phi_{l}(x) \ \phi_{l'}(x) \ \phi_{m+1/2}(y) \ \phi_{m'+1/2}(y) \ dx \ dy \tag{41}$$

$$\epsilon_{(x,y)l,l',m,m'}^{\phi z} = \frac{1}{\Delta x \Delta y} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon_z(x,y) \phi_l(x) \ \phi_{l'}(x) \ \phi_m(y) \ \phi_{m'}(y) \ dx \ dy$$
 (42)

The evaluation of (40) and (41) is similar to the procedure described for one-dimensional dielectric perturbations. This procedure is illustrated by applying a discretization of  $6 \times 6 \times 6$  to the structure in Figure 7. This structure has the dimensions  $6 \text{ cm} \times 6 \text{ cm} \times 6 \text{ cm}$ , with a one-third dielectric slice along the x- and y-directions. The dielectric has a relative permittivity equal to 6. Here, the electric field components  ${}_{k'}E^{\phi x}_{l',m',n'}$  and  ${}_{k'}E^{\phi y}_{l',m',n'}$  are related to  ${}_{k}D^{\phi x}_{l,m,n}$  and  ${}_{k'}D^{\phi y}_{l,m,n}$  by a  $6 \times 6 \times 6 \times 6$  matrix described by  $\epsilon^{\phi x}_{(x,y)}$  and  $\epsilon^{\phi y}_{(x,y)}$ , respectively. To evaluate the integrals, the image theory is applied, thus replacing Figure 7 by a new structure made by imaging Figure 7 about the x and y axes. Now the electric field components  ${}_{k'}E^{\phi x}_{l',m',n'}$  and  ${}_{k'}E^{\phi y}_{l',m',n'}$  are related to  ${}_{k}D^{\phi x}_{l,m,n}$  and  ${}_{k}D^{\phi y}_{l,m,n}$  by a  $6 \times 6 \times 12 \times 12$  matrix. Each of the  $\epsilon^{\phi x}_{(x,y)}$  and  $\epsilon^{\phi y}_{(x,y)}$  matrix components is calculated by applying (40) and (41) over the new imaged structure. The epsilon components in each of the three resonators are linearly dependent on the components in the original

Table III. Resonant frequency data for a cavity one-quarter filled with dielectric material

FDTD ( $40 \times 40 \times 40$ ), GHz	1.9640
S-MRTD $(6 \times 6 \times 6)$	1.9480
FDTD/MRTD relative error, %	0.814
S-MRTD $(8 \times 8 \times 8)$	1.9610
FDTD/MRTD relative error, %	0.152
S-MRTD ( $10 \times 10 \times 10$ )	1.9610
MRTD relative error, %	0.152

resonator. Therefore, the image theory is applied again, reducing the  $6 \times 6 \times 12 \times 12$  matrix to a  $6 \times 6 \times 6 \times 6$  matrix. Note that this can be repeated for any discretization along the x-, y- or z-directions.

S-MRTD results for the structure in Figure 7 are shown in Table III. A time discretization interval of  $\Delta t = 1.0 \times 10^{-12}\,\mathrm{s}$  and 80,000 time steps is used for FDTD, which has a discretization of  $40 \times 40 \times 40$ . The time discretization interval for S-MRTD  $6 \times 6 \times 6$ , S-MRTD  $8 \times 8 \times 8$  and S-MRTD  $10 \times 10 \times 10$  is  $\Delta t = 3.0 \times 10^{-12}\,\mathrm{s}$ . In all three cases 60,000 time steps were used to generate frequency data. The S-MRTD discretization of  $8 \times 8 \times 8$  provided excellent correlation with the FDTD method, resulting in a memory saving of a factor of 125. Additionally execution time for the S-MRTD method was found to be significantly lower. Figures 8, 9 and 10 show field distributions for S-MRTD and FDTD. Figure 8 is a plot of the  $E^{\phi y}$  field for the non-interpolated S-MRTD method with a discretization of  $8 \times 8 \times 8$ . Figure 9 is an interpolated plot of the  $E^{\phi y}$  distribution with seven intermediate points, resulting in a total discretization of  $56 \times 56 \times 56$ . The FDTD field plot shown in Figure 10 has a discretization of  $40 \times 40 \times 40$ . Note the high degree of correlation between the S-MRTD and FDTD field plots.

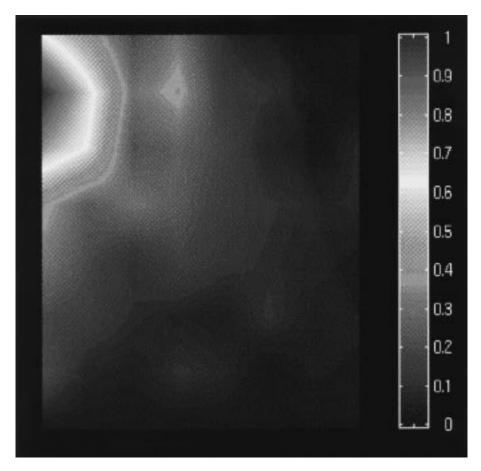


Figure 8. MRTD field pattern for 2D dielectric structure

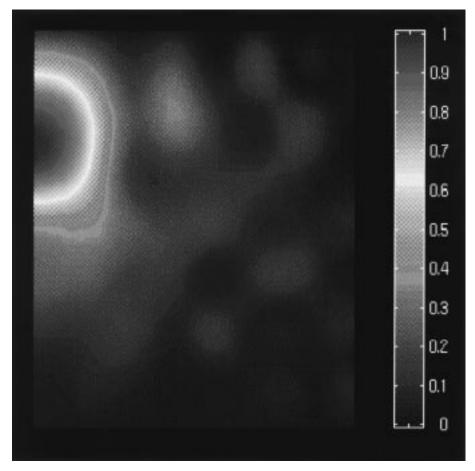


Figure 9. MRTD interpolated field pattern for 2D dielectric structure

# 2.4. Analysis of resonant cavity with 3D dielectric

The equations describing a dielectric perturbation that varies along all three co-ordinate directions is described in this Section. Consider the structures shown in Figures 11 and 12, where the dielectric varies along the x-, y- and z-directions. In this structure, the non-zero elements of the permittivity tensor are as follows:

$$\vec{\epsilon_x(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_x(x,y,z)} \tag{43}$$

$$\vec{\epsilon_{v}}(\vec{r},t) = \vec{\epsilon_{v}}(x,y,z) \tag{44}$$

$$\vec{\epsilon_z(r,t)} = \vec{\epsilon_z(x,y,z)} \tag{45}$$

Applying a similar procedure to (43), (44) and (45), the following results for  $_kD_{l+1/2,m,n}^{\phi x}$  are received:

$${}_{k}D^{\phi x}_{l+1/2,m,n} = \sum_{l',m',n'=-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon^{\phi x}_{(x,y,z)l+1/2,l'/1/2,m,m',n,n'} {}_{k'}E^{\phi x}_{l'+1/2,m',n'}$$
(46)

The  $\epsilon^{\phi x}_{(x,y,z)l+1/2,l'+1/2,m,m',n,n'}$  integral is given by

$$\epsilon_{(x,y,z)l+1/2,l'+1/2,m,m',n,n'}^{\phi x} = \frac{1}{\Delta x \Delta y \Delta z} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \epsilon_x(x,y,z) \ \phi_{l+1/2}(x) \ \phi_{l'+1/2}(x)$$

$$\times \phi_m(y) \ \phi_{m'}(y) \ \phi_n(z) \ \phi_{n'}(z) \ dx \ dy \ dz$$

$$(47)$$

The first structure considered is a resonant cavity 6 cm on a side with a varying dielectric of

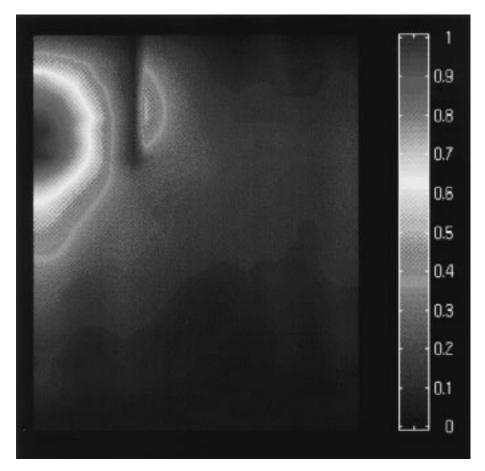


Figure 10. FDTD field pattern for 2D dielectric structure

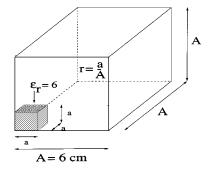


Figure 11. 3D resonator structure with varying dielectric in corner

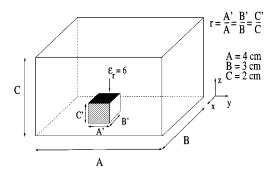


Figure 12. 3D resonator structure with varying dielectric in centre

Table IV. Resonant frequencies for a resonator with a corner dielectric perturbation

r	FDTD ( $40 \times 40 \times 40$ )	MRTD $(6 \times 6 \times 6)$	MRTD $(8 \times 8 \times 8)$
0.15	3.534	3.524	3.529
0.25	3.500	3.489	3.497
0.33	3.136	3.139	3.137

Table V. Resonant frequencies for a resonator with a centre dielectric perturbation

r	IE/MoM, GHz	FEM	MRTD $(6 \times 6 \times 6)$	MRTD $(8 \times 8 \times 8)$
0.10	6.220	6.1875	6.19	6.20
0.15	6.1535	6.1125	6.11	6.12
0.20	6.02	5.9125	5.945	5.975
0.25	5.840	5.740	5.73	5.75

relative permittivity equal to 6. In this case the varying dielectric is located in one corner of the structure, as shown in Figure 11. The S-MRTD simulations ran for 60,000 time steps, with  $\Delta t = 3.0 \times 10^{-12}$  s. FDTD simulations ran for 100,000 time steps with  $\Delta t = 2.0 \times 10^{-12}$  s. Note that FDTD needed to run for a high number of time steps in order to achieve convergence with the S-MRTD results. Results are shown in Table IV. Note that FDTD and S-MRTD have a high degree of convergence in the resonant frequency data.

The second 3D dielectric structure simulated is a varying dielectric cube with a relative permittivity equal to 6. In this case the cube is located in the centre of the bottom face of the structure as shown in Figure 12. This structure has previously been simulated with tetrahedral FEM and an integral equation method<sup>13</sup> and is compared to S-MRTD in Table V. Once again a high degree of convergence is achieved between the methods.

## 3. CONCLUSION

MRTD schemes based on orthonormal wavelet expansions are derived and applied in the numerical analysis of simple resonant cavity structures. It is shown in this paper that a multiresolution expansion using Battle-Lemarie scaling functions has excellent correspondence with the FDTD method. In comparison with Yee's FDTD scheme, the examples suggest computer savings of two orders of magnitude with respect to the memory requirements.

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