## Documentation for the microTDFL

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#### Abstract

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### 1 Introduction

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## 2 Background

- Ohm's law
- Charge conservation
- EFIE
- Thin wire approximation
- Basically the same as section 2 in [1]

#### 3 Framework

- Channel geometry (with pictures!)
- Overview of model operation and organization of history vector

### 4 Generating the Matrix

- Computation of geometric factors
- Interpolation of charges and currents
- Putting everything together to get the transition matrix

# 5 Two-Stage Stepping

- Motivation for two-stage averaging scheme
- Details of implementation

### 6 Stability Analysis

- Overview of eigenvalue-based stability analysis
- Pretty plots of eigenvalues! (and comments thereupon)
- Effect of parameters on stability

### 7 Equilibrium Charge Distribution

- Plots of equilibrium charge distribution with and without external field
- Comparison to results in Jackson paper

#### 8 Off-Channel Field

- Details of off-channel field calculation
- Effect of distance and orientation on measured field

# 9 Stepped Leaders

- Implementation of adding segments
- Plots of off-channel field, comparison to HAMMA data

### 10 Frequency Response of Channel to External Field

• Power spectral density of radiated field

## Appendices

• Briefly describe functions in microTDFL.py and their inputs/outputs

#### References

- [1] Carlson, Brant. "Mathematical development of the TDFL." Will properly cite later.
- [2] Jackson, John David. Paper on charge density on straight wire.
- [3] Cite Jackson's E&M book?