

Spurious Quasi-Resonances for Stabilized BIE-Volume Formulations for Helmholtz Transition Problem

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1 Theoretical Background

1.0.1 Lipschitz Domain

Remark 1.1. Henceforth we shall require that, roughly speaking that Ω is locally the set of points located above the graph of some Lipschitz function and the boundary is this graph.

Definition 1.2 (Lipschitz domain). Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let Ω be a domain of \mathbb{R}^n and let $\partial\Omega$ denote the boundary of Ω . Then Ω is called a Lipschitz domain if for every point $p \in \partial\Omega$ there exists a hyperplane H of dimension $n - 1$ through p , a Lipschitz-continuous function $g : H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ over that hyperplane, and reals $r > 0$ and $h > 0$ such that

- $\Omega \cap C = \{x + y\vec{n} \mid x \in B_r(p) \cap H, -h < y < g(x)\}$
- $(\partial\Omega) \cap C = \{x + y\vec{n} \mid x \in B_r(p) \cap H, g(x) = y\}$

where \vec{n} is a unit vector that is normal to H and $C := \{x + y\vec{n} \mid x \in B_r(p) \cap H, -h < y < h\}$.

1.0.2 Sobolev Space

Definition 1.3 (H^1). For a bounded domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $d \in \mathbb{N}$, we define the Sobolev space $H^1(\Omega) := \{v \in L^2(\Omega) : \int_{\Omega} |\text{grad } v(x)|^2 \, dx < \infty\}$ as a Hilbert space with norm $\|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 := \|v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + |v|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2$, $|v|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 := \int_{\Omega} |\text{grad } v(x)|^2 \, dx$

Definition 1.4 ($H^{1/2}$).

Definition 1.5 (H_{loc}^k).

1.0.3 Trace operators

Definition 1.6 (Trace operator). A trace operator is a linear mapping from a function space on the volume domain Ω to a function space on (parts of) the boundary $\partial\Omega$.

Definition 1.7 ((Layer) potential). A (layer) potential is a linear mapping from a function space on $\partial\Omega$ into a function space on the volume domain Ω .

Definition 1.8 (Dirichlet Trace). The Dirichlet trace (operator) T_D boils down to pointwise restriction for smooth functions:

$$(T_D w)(\mathbf{x}) := w(\mathbf{x}) \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma, \quad w \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega}).$$

Definition 1.9 (Dirichlet trace space). The Dirichlet trace space $H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$ is the Hilbert space obtained by completion of $C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})|_{\Gamma}$ with respect to the energy norm

$$\|u\|_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)} := \inf \left\{ \|v\|_{H^1(\Omega)} : v \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega}), T_D v = u \right\}, \quad u \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega})|_{\Gamma}.$$

Theorem 1.10. The Dirichlet trace T_D according can be extended to a continuous and surjective linear operator $T_D : H^1(\Omega) \rightarrow H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$

Definition 1.11 (Neumann Trace). For smooth functions the Neumann trace (operator) T_N is defined by

$$(T_N w)(\mathbf{x}) := \text{grad } w \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma, w \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega}).$$

Definition 1.12 (Neumann Trace Space). The Neumann trace space $H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$ is the Hilbert space obtained by the completion of $C^0(\Gamma)$ with respect to the norm

$$\|\phi\|_{H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)} := \|\tilde{\phi}\|_{\tilde{H}^{-1}(\Omega)}$$

where $\tilde{\phi}$ is the "extension by zero to \mathbb{R}^d " of ϕ . We have the definition $\|\rho\|_{\tilde{H}^{-1}(\Omega)} := \|u\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)}$ where u solves
$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = \tilde{\rho} & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3 \\ u \text{ satisfies decay conditions} \end{cases}.$$

Definition 1.13 (Space of function with square-integrable Laplacian). We define the Hilbert space

$$H(\Delta, \Omega) := \{v \in H^1(\Omega) : \Delta v \in L^2(\Omega)\}$$

with norm

$$\|u\|_{H(\Delta, \Omega)}^2 := \|u\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2 + \|\Delta u\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2, \quad u \in H(\Delta, \Omega).$$

Theorem 1.14. *The Neumann trace T_N can be extended to a continuous mapping $T_N : H(\Delta, \Omega) \rightarrow H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$.*

Definition 1.15 ($C_{\text{comp}}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$).

1.0.4 Notations

- Consider a bounded Lipschitz open set $\Omega^- \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, $d = 2, 3$.
- $\Omega^+ := \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \overline{\Omega^-}$
- $\Gamma := \partial\Omega^- = \partial\Omega^+$
- \mathbf{n} is the unit normal vector field on Γ pointing from Ω^- into Ω^+
- For any $\varphi \in L_{\text{loc}}^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$, we let $\varphi^- := \varphi|_{\Omega^-}$ and $\varphi^+ := \varphi|_{\Omega^+}$
- $H_{\text{loc}}^1(\Omega^\pm, \Delta) := \{v : \chi v \in H^1(\Omega^\pm), \Delta(\chi v) \in L^2(\Omega^\pm) \text{ for all } \chi \in C_{\text{comp}}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)\}$
- Dirichlet and Neumann trace operators¹: $\gamma_D^\pm : H_{\text{loc}}^1(\Omega_\pm) \rightarrow H^{1/2}(\Gamma)$ and $\gamma_N^\pm : H_{\text{loc}}^1(\Omega_\pm, \Delta) \rightarrow H^{-1/2}(\Gamma)$ with $\gamma_D^\pm v := v^\pm|_\Gamma$ and γ_N^\pm such that if $v \in H_{\text{loc}}^2(\Omega_\pm)$ then $\gamma_N^\pm v = \mathbf{n} \cdot \gamma_D^\pm(\nabla v)$
- Cauchy trace: $\gamma_C^\pm : H_{\text{loc}}^1(\Omega^\pm, \Delta) \rightarrow H^{1/2}(\Gamma) \times H^{-1/2}(\Gamma)$, $\gamma_C^\pm := (\gamma_D^\pm, \gamma_N^\pm)$
- Sommerfeld radiation condition: $\varphi \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus B_R)$, for some ball $B_R := \{|\mathbf{x}| < R\}$, and $\kappa > 0$ satisfies this condition if $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^{\frac{d-1}{2}} \left(\frac{\partial \varphi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial r} - i\kappa \varphi(\mathbf{x}) \right) = 0$ in all directions. We then write $\varphi \in \text{SRC}(\kappa)$

Theorem 1.16 (Green's first formula). *(From Wikipedia) $\int_U (\phi \nabla^2 \psi + \nabla \phi \cdot \nabla \psi) \, dU = \int_{\partial U} \phi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \mathbf{n}} \, dS$*

1. The Dirichlet trace operator boils down to pointwise restriction.

2 Problem

We start by formulating the problem. We want to investigate the occurrence of spurious quasi-resonances in the variational formulation of the following Helmholtz transition problem.

Definition 2.1 (Helmholtz Transmission Problem). *Find $u \in H_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \Gamma) \cap \text{SRC}(k\sqrt{c_o})$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta + \tilde{\kappa}^2 c_i) u^- &= 0 & \text{in } \Omega^- \\ (\Delta + \tilde{\kappa}^2 c_o) u^+ &= 0 & \text{in } \Omega^+ \\ \gamma_C^+ u^+ &= \gamma_C^- u^- + \mathbf{f} & \text{on } \Gamma. \end{aligned}$$

2.1 Deriving the variational formulation

We will now state the variational formulation of the problem in Ω^- . Integration by parts in Ω^- using Green's first formula implies

$$a(U, V) - (\gamma_1^- U, \gamma_0^- V)_\Gamma = 0 \quad \forall v \in H^1(\Omega^-)$$

This variational equation can be coupled to the transmission conditions using the BIE. As the problem is equivalent to the problem in the 2006 paper with $U_i = 0, f = 0, n(x) = c_i/c_o, \kappa = \tilde{\kappa}\sqrt{c_o}$, we can use the same formulation as in the 2006 paper.

The formulation is:

Find $U \in H^1(\Omega), \theta \in H^{-1/2}(\Gamma)$ and $p \in H^1(\Gamma)$ such that for all $V \in H^1(\Omega), \varphi \in H^{-1/2}(\Gamma)$ and $q \in H^1(\Gamma)$ there holds

$$\begin{aligned} q_\kappa(U, V) + (W_\kappa(\gamma_D^- U), \gamma_D^- V)_\Gamma - \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} - K'_\kappa \right)(\theta), \gamma_D^- V \right)_\Gamma &= g_1(V) \\ \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} - K_\kappa \right)(\gamma_D^- U), \varphi \right)_\Gamma + (V_\kappa(\theta), \varphi)_\Gamma + i\bar{\eta}(p, \varphi)_\Gamma &= \overline{g_2(V)}(\varphi) \\ - (W_\kappa(\gamma_D^- U), q)_\Gamma - \left((K'_\kappa + \frac{1}{2} \text{Id})(\theta), q \right)_\Gamma + b(p, q) &= g_3(V)(q). \end{aligned}$$

where we have

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(V) &:= (f, V)_\Omega - (g_N, \gamma_D^- V)_\Gamma - (W_\kappa(g_D), \gamma_D^- V)_\Gamma \\ g_2(V)(\varphi) &:= \left(\varphi, \left(K_\kappa - \frac{1}{2} \text{Id} \right)(g_D) \right)_\Gamma \\ g_3(V)(q) &:= (W_\kappa(g_D), q)_\Gamma, \end{aligned}$$

$$q_\kappa(U, V) := \int_\Omega \text{grad } U \cdot \text{grad } \bar{V} - \kappa^2 n(\mathbf{x}) U \bar{V} \, d\mathbf{x} \text{ and } b(p, q) := (\text{grad}_\Gamma p, \text{grad}_\Gamma q)_\Gamma + (p, q)_\Gamma.$$

3 How to investigate Stability

To figure out how stable this formulation is, we use the inf-sup constant

Theorem 3.1. *Existence and uniqueness of discrete solutions $u_h \in V_h$ and the convergence $u_h \rightarrow u$ can only hold if the sesquilinear form a satisfies a discrete inf-sup condition, cf. [89, Eq. 2.3.6]: There exists a constant $\gamma > 0$ such that for all $v_h \in V_h$ and the whole family V_h with $h \rightarrow 0$, there holds*

$$\sup_{0 \neq w_h \in V_h} \frac{|a(v_h, w_h)|}{\|w_h\|_V} \geq \gamma \|v_h\|_V$$

(from P.Meury thesis).

We will now investigate the reliability of the variational formulation by investigating the inf-sup constant of the sesquilinear form on the left side of the variational problem.

Definition 3.2.

$$\gamma = \inf_{0 \neq v_h \in V_h} \sup_{0 \neq w_h \in V_h} \frac{|a(v_h, w_h)|}{\|w_h\|_V \|v_h\|_V}$$

Remark 3.3. *We can estimate the inf-sup constant from the minimum singular value of the Galerkin matrix (proven in P.Meury thesis).*

So we now derive the Galerkin Matrix to find the inf-sup constant.

4 Derivation of Galerkin Matrix

First, we notice that we can restrict ourselves to finding functions on $H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma) \times H^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma) \times H^1(\Gamma)$, since the bilinear form only depends on the restriction $\gamma_D^- U$.

Now we will further restrict this space to finite subspaces and choose orthonormal bases for the finite subspaces.

4.1 Basis functions of $\mathcal{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$

We make the Fourier Ansatz $V_n = V_n^r e^{in\phi}$. Since U must satisfy $(\Delta + \frac{c_i}{c_o} \kappa^2)U = 0$, we have

$$r^2 \partial_r^2 V_n^r + r \partial_r V_n^r + (r^2 \frac{c_i}{c_o} \kappa^2 - n^2) V_n^r = 0.$$

This is Bessel's equation. Since we require convergence at the origin we have $V_n^r(r) = J_n(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa r)$.

We restrict our functions to $H^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and want to get an orthonormal basis $U_n(\phi) = v_n V_n(1, \phi)$ for this space:

$$(U_n, U_m)_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)} = \delta_{nm}$$

This implies:

$$\begin{aligned} (U_n, U_m)_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)} &= (U_n, U_m)_{\Gamma} + (\nabla_{\Gamma} U_n, \nabla_{\Gamma} U_m)_{\Gamma} = \delta_{nm} \\ &= |v_n|^2 2\pi(1+n^2) |J_n(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa)|^2 \delta_{nm} \stackrel{!}{=} \delta_{nm} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can choose real constants $v_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1+n^2)|J_n(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa)|}}$.

Notes

In the calculation above we used $\nabla f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \hat{\mathbf{r}} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ and eliminated the r -dependency.

4.2 Other basis functions

We also pick orthonormal basis functions for $\mathcal{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$ and $\mathcal{H}^1(\Gamma)$. We choose

$$\theta_n = w_n e^{in\phi} \text{ where } w_n = \frac{(1+n^2)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

for $\mathcal{H}^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$ and for $\mathcal{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\Gamma)$ we choose

$$p_n = l_n e^{in\phi} \text{ where } l_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1+n^2)}}.$$

Notes

See P. Meury 3.22 (Lemma) for explanation why we use these bases.

5 Constructing the Galerkin Matrix

Now let's restrict ourselves to the space $\mathcal{S}_N^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^1$ where ... and $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Now we can construct the Galerkin Matrix.

5.1 Redefining the problem

We reduce our problem to the space $\mathcal{H}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{H}^1$:

Definition 5.1 (The restricted problem). Find $(u, \theta, p) \in \mathcal{S}_N^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^1$ such that for all $(V, \varphi, p) \in \mathcal{S}_N^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^1$ there holds

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{q}_{\kappa}(U, V) + (\mathbf{W}_{\kappa}(\gamma_D^- U), \gamma_D^- V)_{\Gamma} - \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} - \mathbf{K}'_{\kappa} \right)(\theta), \gamma_D^- V \right)_{\Gamma} &= g_1(V) \\ \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} - \mathbf{K}_{\kappa} \right)(\gamma_D^- U), \varphi \right)_{\Gamma} + (\mathbf{V}_{\kappa}(\theta), \varphi)_{\Gamma} + i\bar{\eta}(p, \varphi)_{\Gamma} &= \overline{g_2(V)}(\varphi) \\ -(\mathbf{W}_{\kappa}(\gamma_D^- U), q)_{\Gamma} - \left((\mathbf{K}'_{\kappa} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Id})(\theta), q \right)_{\Gamma} + \mathbf{b}(p, q) &= g_3(V)(q). \end{aligned}$$

Now let's simplify the notation of this problem a bit. First, let's extend $(u, \theta, p) = \sum_{n=-N}^N (C_n^U U_n, C_n^{\theta} \theta_n, C_n^p p_n)$, $f_1 = \sum_{j=-N}^N \frac{1}{2\pi} f_1^j e^{ij\theta}$

and $f_2 = \sum_{j=-N}^N \frac{1}{2\pi} f_2^j e^{ij\theta}$.

Define $\vec{C}_n = (C_n^U, C_n^{\theta}, C_n^p)$.

Let's introduce a few new constants before deriving the Galerkin Matrix.

Definition 5.2. Define the notation $P_n^{ab} = (a_n, b_n)_{\Gamma}$ where $a_n, b_n \in L^2(\Gamma)$. In particular, the following values will be helpful:

- $P_n^{UU} = 2\pi |\tilde{v}_n|^2$

- $P_n^{\theta U} = 2\pi w_n \bar{v}_n$
- $P_n^{U\theta} = \bar{P}_n^{\theta U}$
- $P_n^{\theta\theta} = 2\pi |w_n|^2$
- $P_n^{p\theta} = 2\pi l_n \bar{w}_n$
- $P_n^{Up} = 2\pi \bar{v}_n l_n$
- $P_n^{\theta p} = \bar{P}_n^{p\theta}$

where $\tilde{v}_n = J_n(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}}\kappa)v_n$.

Let's introduce the following matrix and vector:

Definition 5.3.

$$A_n := \begin{pmatrix} (\alpha_n + \lambda_n^{(w)} P_n^{UU}) & -(\frac{1}{2} - \lambda_n^{(K')}) P_n^{\theta U} & 0 \\ (\frac{1}{2} - \lambda_n^{(K)}) P_n^{U\theta} & \lambda_n^{(V)} P_n^{\theta\theta} & i\eta P_n^{p\theta} \\ -\lambda_n^{(W)} P_n^{Up} & -(\lambda_n^{(K')} + \frac{1}{2}) P_n^{\theta p} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\vec{b}_n = \begin{bmatrix} g_1(U_n) \\ g_2(\theta_n) \\ g_3(p_n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\bar{v}_n f_2^n - \lambda_n^{(W)} \bar{v}_n f_1^n \\ (\lambda_n^{(K)} - 0.5) \bar{w}_n f_1^n \\ \lambda_n^{(W)} \bar{l}_n f_1^n \end{bmatrix} = f_1^n \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -\lambda_n^{(W)} \bar{v}_n \\ (\lambda_n^{(K)} - 0.5) \bar{w}_n \\ \lambda_n^{(W)} \bar{l}_n \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{x}_1^n} + f_2^n \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -\bar{v}_n \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{x}_1^n}.$$

The following theorem summarises the Galerkin formulation of the problem:

Theorem 5.4. $(u, \theta, p) \in \mathcal{H}^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{H}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{H}^1$ solves the problem in definition 5.1 if and only if $A_n \vec{C}_n = \vec{b}_n \forall n \in \{-N, -N+1, \dots, N\}$.

Before we proof this we need the following Lemma from (...):

Lemma 5.5. We are also using the following eigenvalue equations

$$\begin{aligned} V_\kappa(y_n) &= \lambda_n^{(V)} y_n, & \lambda_n^{(V)} &:= \frac{i\pi}{2} J_n(\kappa) H_n^{(1)}(\kappa) \\ K_\kappa(y_n) &= \lambda_n^{(K)} y_n, & \lambda_n^{(K)} &:= \frac{i\pi\kappa}{2} J_n(\kappa) H_n^{(1)'}(\kappa) + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{i\pi\kappa}{2} J_n'(\kappa) H_n^{(1)}(\kappa) - \frac{1}{2} \\ K_\kappa'(y_n) &= \lambda_n^{(K')} y_n, & \lambda_n^{(K')} &:= \frac{i\pi\kappa}{2} J_n(\kappa) H_n^{(1)'}(\kappa) + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{i\pi\kappa}{2} J_n'(\kappa) H_n^{(1)}(\kappa) - \frac{1}{2} \\ W_\kappa(y_n) &= \lambda_n^{(W)} y_n, & \lambda_n^{(W)} &:= -\frac{i\pi\kappa^2}{2} J_n'(\kappa) H_n^{(1)'}(\kappa) \end{aligned}$$

in particular these eigenvalue equations are satisfied for U_n, θ_n, p_n .

The following lemmas will also come in handy for the proof.

Lemma 5.6. $q_\kappa(U_n, U_m) = 2\pi\delta_{nm}|v_n|^2\kappa J_n(\kappa)J_n'(\kappa) =: \alpha_n$.

Proof of Lemma. We start by using Greens first formula $\int_U (\psi\Delta\varphi + \nabla\psi \cdot \nabla\varphi) dV = \oint_{\partial U} \psi\nabla\varphi \cdot d\mathbf{S}$ to see that

$$\begin{aligned} q_\kappa(U_n, U_m) &= \int_{\Omega^-} (\nabla \cdot U_n \nabla \cdot \bar{U}_m - \frac{c_i}{c_o} \kappa^2 U_n \bar{U}_m) \\ &= \int_{\partial\Omega^-} \bar{U}_m \nabla \cdot U_n d\vec{S} - \int_{\Omega^-} \underbrace{(\frac{c_i}{c_o} \kappa^2 U_n + \Delta U_n) \bar{U}_m}_{=0} d\vec{S} \\ &= \delta_{nm} \int_{\partial\Omega^-} \bar{U}_n \nabla \cdot U_n d\vec{S} \\ &= \delta_{nm} |v_n|^2 \sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa J_n(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa) J_n'(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa) \int_{\partial\Omega^-} e^{in\phi} e^{-in\phi} dS \\ &= \delta_{nm} 2\pi |v_n|^2 \kappa \sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} J_n(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa) J_n'(\sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}} \kappa) \end{aligned}$$

□

Remark 5.7. In the previous proof U_n is integrated over Ω^- , while U_n is technically only defined on Γ . However, note that, knowing the coefficients of U_n , it is straightforward to extend U to Ω^- using our basis vectors V_n . Also, the end result only depends on the restriction to Γ .²

2. These two points is what justified the restriction of U_n to Γ in the first place.

Lemma 5.8. $b(p_n, p_m) = (p_n, p_m)_{H^1(\Gamma)} = \delta_{nm}$.

Proof. ... □

Proof of theorem Both sides of the problem in definition 5.1 are linear in (V, φ, q) . Therefore the condition in the problem is satisfied for all $(V, \varphi, q) \in \mathcal{S}_N^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \mathcal{S}_N^1$ if and only if it is satisfied for $(V, \varphi, q) \in (U_n, \theta_n, p_n) \forall n \in \{-N, -N+1, \dots, N\}$. So we end up with $(2N+1)$ systems of equations of the form

$$\begin{aligned} q_\kappa(U, U_n) + (W_\kappa(\gamma_D^- U), U_n)_\Gamma - \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} - K'_\kappa \right)(\theta), U_n \right)_\Gamma &= f_2(U_n) \\ \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{Id} - K_\kappa \right)(\gamma_D^- U), \theta_n \right)_\Gamma + (V_\kappa(\theta), \theta_n)_\Gamma + i\bar{\eta}(p, \theta_n)_\Gamma &= \overline{g_2(V)}(\theta_n) \\ - (W_\kappa(\gamma_D^- U), p_n)_\Gamma - \left((K'_\kappa + \frac{1}{2} \text{Id})(\theta), p_n \right)_\Gamma + b(p, p_n) &= g_3(V)(p_n). \end{aligned}$$

Now, before plugging in for (U, θ, p) note the following structural feature: Each of the summands of the left side of the problem has a factor that contains one of the following three bilinear forms:

- A scalar product $(a, b)_\Gamma$ of one of the entries of (U, θ, p) and a basis function.
- The bilinear form $b(a, b)$ of the entries of (U, θ, p) and a basis function.
- The bilinear form $q_\kappa(a, b)$ of the entries of (U, θ, p) and a basis function.

Note that for each of these bilinear forms s we have the orthogonality property $s(a_n, b_m) = 0$ for $n \neq m$, $a, b \in \{U, \theta, p\}$. Also considering that our basis are also eigenvectors of the BIO, this implies that for each of the $(2N+1)$ problems all but one x_n is in the kernel of the left hand side. Or, said more simply, the problem can be written as a blockdiagonal problem with 3×3 blocks.

Plugging the relations derived in the former lemmata for $q(U, U_n)$, $b(p, p_n)$, the BIOs and the scalar products elementary calculation yields $A_n x_n$ for the left hand side of the problem.

For the right, plugging in our extension for f_1, f_2 yields b_n . This concludes the proof. □

5.2 Matrix

Now the first equation yields with coefficients:

$$(\alpha_n + \lambda_n^{(w)} P_n^{UU}) C_n^U - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \lambda_n^{(K')} \right) P_n^{\theta U} C_n^\theta = f_2(V)$$

second equation

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} - \lambda_n^{(K)} \right) P_n^{U\theta} C_n^U + \lambda_n^{(V)} P_n^{\theta\theta} C_n^\theta + i\eta P_n^{p\theta} C_n^p = \overline{g_2(V)}$$

third equation

$$-\lambda_n^{(W)} P_n^{Up} C_n^U - \left(\lambda_n^{(K')} + \frac{1}{2} \right) P_n^{\theta p} C_n^\theta + C_n^p = g_3(V)$$

Using all the previously derived equations we can construct the Galerkin matrix:

$$A_n = \begin{pmatrix} (\alpha_n + \lambda_n^{(w)} P_n^{UU}) & -\left(\frac{1}{2} - \lambda_n^{(K')} \right) P_n^{\theta U} & 0 \\ \left(\frac{1}{2} - \lambda_n^{(K)} \right) P_n^{U\theta} & \lambda_n^{(V)} P_n^{\theta\theta} & i\eta P_n^{p\theta} \\ -\lambda_n^{(W)} P_n^{Up} & -\left(\lambda_n^{(K')} + \frac{1}{2} \right) P_n^{\theta p} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

6 Validation

6.1 Solving a special case

To validate the correctness of our derived matrix is to show that it yields the correct numerical solution for a simple example. Consider the special case

$$\vec{f} = \begin{bmatrix} H_n^{(1)}(\kappa) - J_n(\tilde{c}\kappa) \\ H_n'^{(1)}(\kappa) - J_n'(\tilde{c}\kappa) \end{bmatrix} e^{in\phi}$$

where $\tilde{c} = \sqrt{\frac{c_i}{c_o}}$.

Then the solution is

$$u = J_n(\tilde{c}\kappa r) e^{in\phi}, x \in \Omega^-, u = H_n^{(1)}(\kappa r) e^{in\phi}, x \in \Omega^+.$$

This can be seen directly by plugging in.

Remark 6.1. Note that the discretized problem will yield the same solution as the original one as the restricted space contains the analytical solution.

Fig. 1: Validation of the numerical solution for the considered case case.

Proposition 6.2. *With regards to our chosen basis, the analytical solution can be written as $(U, \theta, p) = (\frac{1}{v_n}U_n, \frac{1}{w_n}\kappa H_n'^{(1)}(\kappa)\theta_n, 0)$. So the solution vector should be*

$$C_j^U = \delta_{nj} \frac{1}{v_n}, C_j^\theta = \delta_{nj} \frac{1}{w_n} \kappa H_n'^{(1)}(\kappa), C_j^p = 0, \forall j.$$

Proof. .. Also, we expect $\theta = \partial_r(u_{\Omega^+})|_\Gamma = -\frac{1}{w_0}\kappa_o H_1^{(1)}(\kappa_o)\theta_0$ and $p = 0$, from ... □

Let's validate if we get the same numerical solution using our matrix A_n . We just use the \vec{b}_n as computed above, with $f_1^j = \delta_{nj} 2\pi(J_n(\tilde{c}\kappa) - H_n^{(1)}(\kappa))$, $f_2^j = \delta_{nj} 2\pi(\tilde{c}\kappa J_1'(\tilde{c}\kappa) - \kappa H_n'^{(1)}(\kappa))$.

To measure how good the solution is, let's introduce the ζ -number:

$$\zeta(\kappa) = \max_{n \in [-N, \dots, N]} \frac{\|\vec{C}_{num}^n - \vec{C}_{ana}^n\|}{\|\vec{C}_{ana}^n\|}$$

As seen in fig. 1, the ζ -number is negligible across all values of κ and n which validates our derivation of A_n and b_n .

6.2 $p = 0$

From P.Meury:

Remark 6.3. *At second glance, we realise that $p = 0$, if (U, θ) solve the problem.*

We can use this to validate that our derived matrix A_n is correct we just have to show that every solution of $A_n \vec{x} = \vec{b}_n$ satisfies $x_3 = 0$, where $\vec{b} \in \text{span}(\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2) =: V_{\vec{b}}$.

Let's assume that A_n is invertible. Then we have to show that $V_{\vec{b}} \subset \text{Ker}(P_3 A_n^{-1})$. For dimensional reasons this is equivalent to $V_{\vec{b}} = \text{Ker}(P_3 A_n^{-1})$.

Let $P_{V_{\vec{b}}}$ be the projector on $V_{\vec{b}}$. Then we just have to show that $P_3 A_n^{-1} P_{V_{\vec{b}}}$ is approximately the zero map. For that, we just calculate the euclidian matrix norm of A for a range of κ values.

7 Numerical Results