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**Refinement criteria for OcTree discretization of Maxwell  
equations**

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In this study an OcTree discretization for Maxwells equations is proposed. This discretization is based on an explicit construction of the adjoint of the curl operator. As opposed to the  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  local accuracy offered by the transposed curl operator, this non-symmetric construction offers local accuracy of  $\mathcal{O}(h)$ , which is more favorable. We explore several adaptive refinement criteria, and discuss their effectiveness.