

Chapter 9 Integral Equations

9-1 Classification of Integral Equations

Fredholm equation: $\alpha(x)y(x) = F(x) + \lambda \int_a^b K(x,t)y(t)dt$

The 1st kind: $\alpha=0 \Rightarrow -F(x) = G(x) = \lambda \int_a^b K(x,t)y(t)dt$

The 2nd kind: $\alpha=1 \Rightarrow y(x) = F(x) + \lambda \int_a^b K(x,t)y(t)dt$

Voterra equation: $\alpha(x)y(x) = F(x) + \lambda \int_a^x K(x,t)y(t)dt$

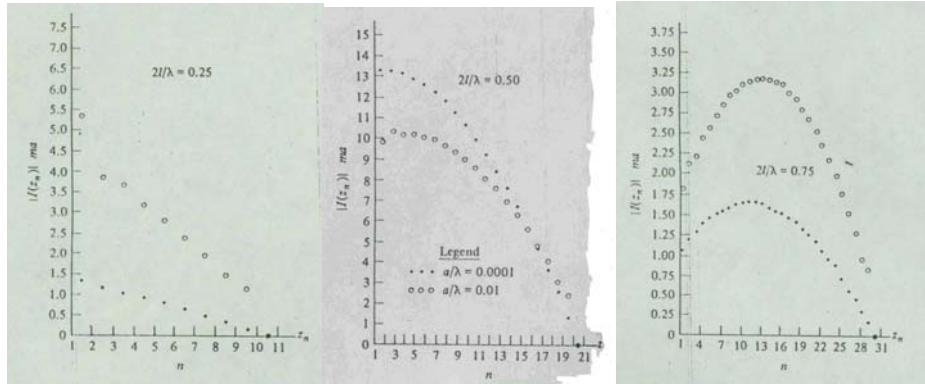
The 1st kind: $\alpha=0 \Rightarrow -F(x) = G(x) = \lambda \int_a^x K(x,t)y(t)dt$

The 2nd kind: $\alpha=1 \Rightarrow y(x) = F(x) + \lambda \int_a^x K(x,t)y(t)dt$

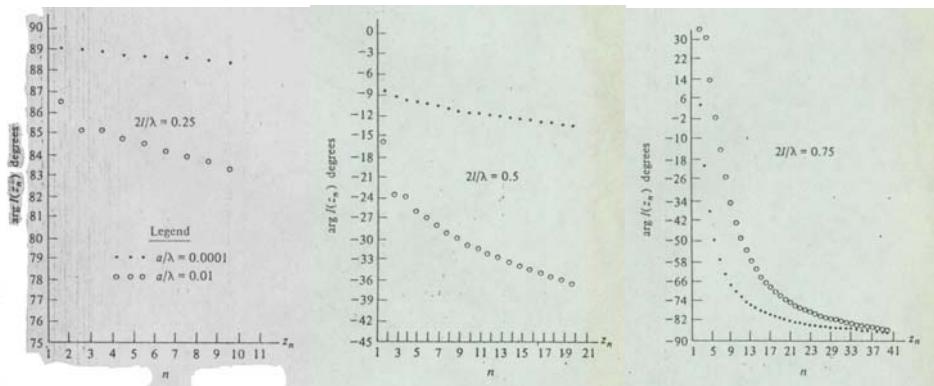
Eg. Solve Hallen's equation: $-i\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon_0}{\mu_0}} \frac{V}{2} \sin(k|z|) + C \cos(k|z|) = \int_{-l}^l I(z')K(z-z',a)dz'$,

where $K(z-z',a) = \frac{e^{-ik\sqrt{(z-z')^2+a^2}}}{4\pi\sqrt{(z-z')^2+a^2}}$, $k=2\pi/\lambda$ and C must be satisfied by $I(l)=0$. This

is an example of the first kind of the Fredholm equation.



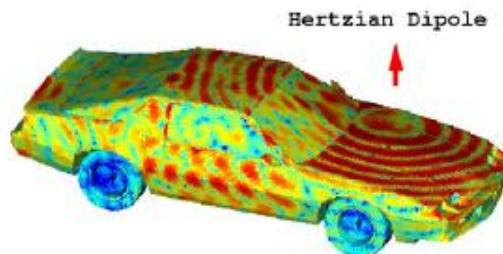
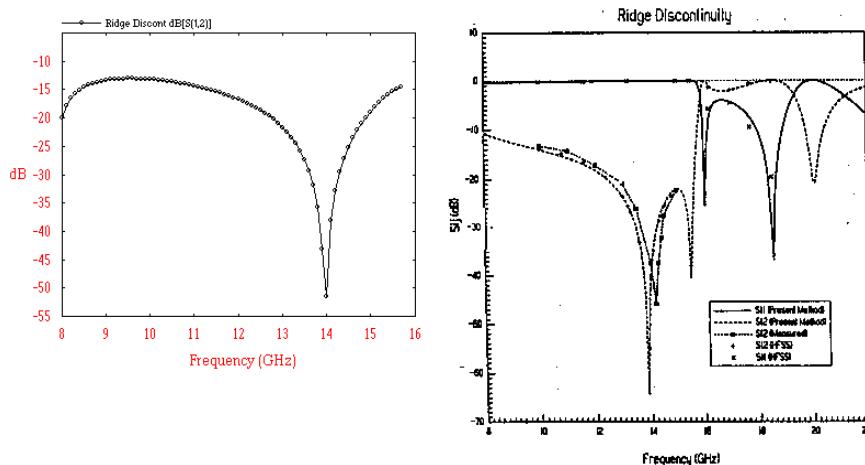
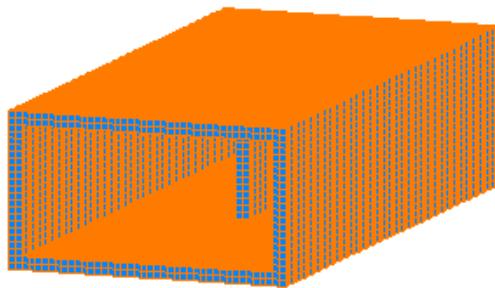
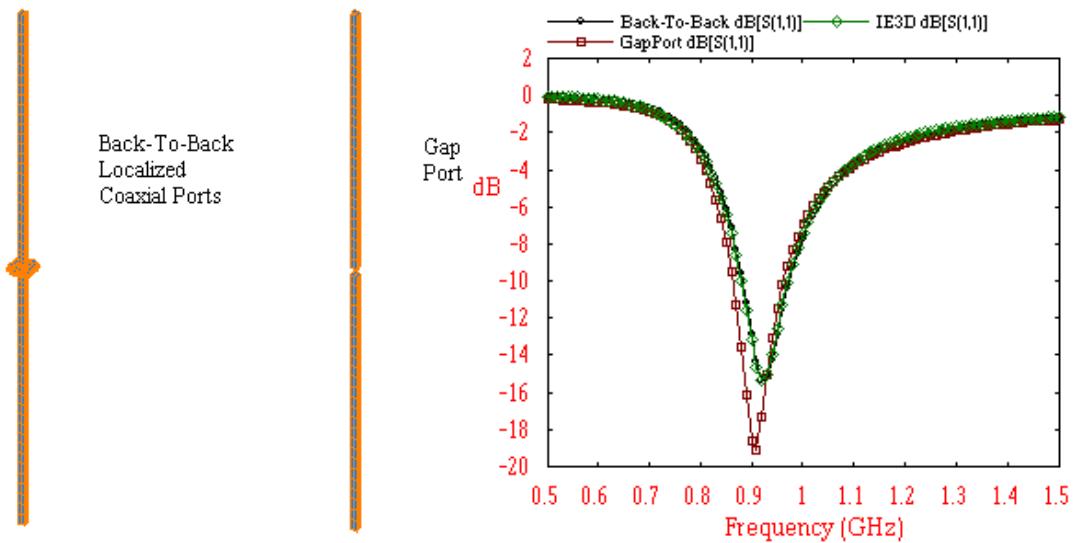
(Sol.)



It is shown that the resonant length of the dipole antenna is about 1/4 of wavelength.

Eg. $f(x) = e^{-x} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{e^{-(x+1)}}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 (x+1)e^{-xy} f(y)dy$ is the second kind of the Fredholm equation, which has a solution $f(x) = e^{-x}$.

Some examples of solving integral equations:



Irradiation of an 83 Camaro by a one GHz Hertzian dipole source.

Relations between differential and integral equations:

Eg. $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + A(x)\frac{dy}{dx} + B(x)y = f(x)$ with $y(a)=C, y'(a)=D$.

Dummy variables: $x=t$, $dx=dt$, and then we have $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + A(t)\frac{dy}{dt} + B(t)y = f(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_a^x \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} \cdot dt &= \int_a^x f(t)dt - \int_a^x A(t)\frac{dy}{dt} \cdot dt - \int_a^x B(t)y(t) \cdot dt \\ &= \int_a^x f(t)dt - A(x)y(x) \Big|_a^x + \int_a^x y(t)A'(t)dt - \int_a^x y(t)B(t)dt\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow y'(x) - D = -A(x)y(x) - \int_a^x [B(t) - A'(t)]y(t)dt + \int_a^x f(t)dt + A(a)C$$

Dummy variables: $x=s$, $dx=ds$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \int_a^x y'(s)ds &= [A(a)C + D](x-a) - \int_a^x A(s)y(s)ds \\ &\quad - \int_a^x \int_a^s [B(t) - A'(t)]y(t)dtds + \int_a^x \int_a^s f(t)dtds \\ \Rightarrow y(x) &= C + [A(a)C + D](x-a) - \int_a^x \int_t^x [B(t) - A'(t)]y(t)dsdt + \int_a^x \int_t^x f(t)dsdt - \int_a^x A(t)y(t)dt \\ &= C + [A(a)C + D](x-a) - \int_a^x \{A(t) + (x-t)[B(t) - A'(t)]\}y(t)dt + \int_a^x (x-t)f(t)dt \\ \Rightarrow y(x) &= C + [A(a)C + D](x-a) + \int_a^x (x-t)f(t)dt - \int_a^x \{A(t) + (x-t)[B(t) - A'(t)]\}y(t)dt \text{ is the 2nd kind of Volterra equation.}\end{aligned}$$

Eg. Transform $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + \lambda y = f(x)$ with $y(0)=1, y'(0)=0$ into an integral equation.

(Sol.) $A(x)=0, B(x)=\lambda, C=1, D=0$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow y(x) &= 1 + \int_0^x (x-t)f(t)dt - \int_0^x (x-t)\lambda y(t)dt \\ \Rightarrow y(x) &= 1 - \int_0^x (t-x)f(t)dt + \lambda \int_0^x (t-x)y(t)dt\end{aligned}$$

9-2 Moment Method

Solve a Fredholm equation $F(x)=a(x)y(x)-\lambda \int_a^b K(x,t)y(t)dt$.

$$\text{Let } y(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n f_n(x) \approx \sum_{n=1}^N c_n f_n(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(x) \approx \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \alpha(x) f_n(x) - \lambda \int_a^b K(x,t) \cdot \sum_{n=1}^N c_n f_n(t) dt = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n [\alpha(x) f_n(x) - \lambda \int_a^b K(x,t) f_n(t) dt]$$

Choose distinct x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N

$$F(x_1) = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n A_n(x_1) = c_1 A_1(x_1) + c_2 A_2(x_1) + \dots + c_N A_N(x_1)$$

$$F(x_2) = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n A_n(x_2) = c_1 A_1(x_2) + c_2 A_2(x_2) + \dots + c_N A_N(x_2)$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots$$

$$F(x_N) = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n A_n(x_N) = c_1 A_1(x_N) + c_2 A_2(x_N) + \dots + c_N A_N(x_N)$$

$$\text{Or, } \begin{bmatrix} F(x_1) \\ F(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ F(x_N) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_1(x_1) & A_2(x_1) & \cdots & A_N(x_1) \\ A_1(x_2) & A_2(x_2) & \cdots & A_N(x_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ A_1(x_N) & A_2(x_N) & \cdots & A_N(x_N) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N \end{bmatrix} = ?$$

where $A_n(x_m) = \alpha(x_m) f_n(x_m) - \lambda \int_a^b K(x_m, t) f_n(t) dt$, $1 \leq n, m \leq N$.

Solve a Volterra equation $F(x)=a(x)y(x)-\lambda \int_a^x K(x,t)y(t)dt$.

$$\text{Let } y(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n f_n(x) \approx \sum_{n=1}^N c_n f_n(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(x_i) \approx \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \alpha(x_i) f_n(x_i) - \lambda \int_a^{x_i} K(x_i, t) \cdot \sum_{n=1}^N c_n f_n(t) dt$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \cdot [\alpha(x_i) f_n(x_i) - \lambda \int_a^{x_i} K(x_i, t) f_n(t) dt]$$

$$\text{Or, } \begin{bmatrix} F(x_1) \\ F(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ F(x_N) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B_1(x_1) & B_2(x_1) & \cdots & B_N(x_1) \\ B_1(x_2) & B_2(x_2) & \cdots & B_N(x_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ B_1(x_N) & B_2(x_N) & \cdots & B_N(x_N) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N \end{bmatrix} = ?$$

where $B_n(x_m) = \alpha(x_m) f_n(x_m) - \lambda \int_a^{x_m} K(x_m, t) f_n(t) dt$, $1 \leq n, m \leq N$.

Eg. Let $y(x) = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n f_n(x) = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n x^{n-1}$ and solve $y(x) = \int_0^1 K(x,t) y(t) dt - x$, where

$$K(x,t) = \begin{cases} x(1-t), & x < t \\ t(1-x), & x \geq t \end{cases}.$$