# Identification of Quasi-Normal Modes 

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## Introduction

- Certain systems when excited by an external input dissipate the stored energy in the form of vibrations at its natural frequencies constrained by its geometry and composition
- Guitar String
- Optical resonator: Light trapped using reflecting boundaries



## Introduction

- Simulating a system governed by partial differential equations is computationally intensive
- Hardware is limited for the size of systems that need to be simulated and solved
- Quasi-Normal Modes approach requires much less computation than solving the partial differential equations
- The presentation is towards understanding and identifying the QNMs for such systems


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- Vibrations of different frequencies undergo different level of damping
- The frequencies for which the damping is small are called natural frequencies
- The phenomena is called resonance


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$$

$\omega_{2} \rightarrow u_{2}=$

Cavity Space

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## Normal Modes and Natural Frequencies

- It is the motion of the field inside the system at its natural frequencies
- The associated natural frequencies are real
- Completely describes the behavior of a system (Modes are complete)
- For inputs containing multiple natural frequency, output is the sum of modes at that frequencies
- This means that some modes are more dominant than others in determining the solution
- Reduces the computation requirements


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## Open System

- System loses energy to infinity
- Damping can't be accurately modeled using the normal modes


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## Quasi Normal Modes

- The modes of such open system are called Quasi-Normal Modes
- They have complex eigenvalues with imaginary part being the damping in the system
- Doesn't fit the definition of Normal modes because of the complex frequencies
- Its ability to completely describe a system in terms of QNM expansion has been observed experimentally


## QNM Completeness

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- It is a difficult task to identify the QNMs
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## Implementation



## Electromagnetic System



- A one-dimensional EM system with a slab and a source is considered
- Loss in the system is represented by electrical conductivity $\sigma$
- Medium parameters are the electrical permittivity $\epsilon_{2}$, magnetic permeability $\mu$ and the slab width d


## Electromagnetic System

- An analytical solution is available in the literature
- Scattering Poles can be obtained



## Discretization

One dimensional Maxwell equation governing the EM waves inside the system are:

## Maxwell Equations

$$
\begin{aligned}
\partial_{y} \mathcal{H}_{x}+\sigma \mathcal{E}_{z}+\epsilon_{r} \partial_{t} \mathcal{E}_{z} & =-\mathcal{J}_{z}^{e x t} \\
\partial_{y} \mathcal{E}_{z}+\mu_{r} \partial_{t} \mathcal{H}_{x} & =-\mathcal{K}_{x}^{\text {ext }}
\end{aligned}
$$

- Finite-Difference approach is used

- The system is discretized on a grid like structure


## System Equation

Discretized model of the system is $(A+s l) \mathbf{f}=-\mathbf{q}, A=M^{-1}(D+S)$
Solution $\mathbf{f}(t)=V e^{-\lambda t} \mathbf{c}$

## Matrix A for a lossless system $(\sigma=0)$

- Eigenvalues of the matrix A are purely imaginary
- From our definition of the system equations, it shows a purely oscillatory behavior with no damping.
- Waves oscillate forever without decaying



## Reflections

Truncation with PEC conditions creates a boundary that causes reflections.

- Discretized system not identical to the open system
- Outgoing waves getting reflected instead of leaking to infinity
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## Modified System Equation

## Discretized System with PML Implemented

 It can be shown that even after the addition of PML, the system equation can still be expressed as:$$
(A+s l) f=-q,
$$

where $A=M^{-1}(D+P+S)$

- Eigenvalues of matrix $A$ shifts to a region of higher damping


Real ( $\lambda$ )

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- We observe the eigenvalue distribution and its eigenvectors as the system parameters are changed
- Slab Width
- PML Length
- Loss $\sigma$ in the slab


## Slab Width

- The red stripe is the scattering poles calculated from the analytical model
- There are multiple stripes
- The left stripe overlapping with the scattering poles are the QNMs
- The slab width is increased by shifting the right end of the slab
- On increasing the slab width, the middle stripe does not change but the other two move apart
- We observe the eigenvectors of the different stripes
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(2) Middle Stripe
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## Modes due to lossy medium

- PML is a lossy layer by design which attenuates the waves in a small region with minimal reflections
- In this case, a lossy slab should have a similar behavior
- Therefore, we begin with add more loss to the slab and observe the behavior


## Loss $\sigma$ in the slab

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## Conclusions

With these results, we have:

- Clustered the eigenvalues
- Established that PML modes behave similar to lossy modes
- Found a structure of the lossy modes
- Identified the QNMs



## Reconstructing the solution

We will reconstruct the wave-field solution using the identified QNMs. We take different regions of the QNMs for this purpose. The three regions are:

- Both end of the spectrum excluding the PML modes
- Eigenvalues with the positive imaginary part
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- Entire spectrum of eigenvalues excluding the region around the frequency of the input pulse


Figure: Finite Difference solution for an input of a chosen frequency

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## Conclusions

- Eigenvalue spectrum was clustered into different regions of QNMs and lossy modes
- Lossy regions come out as a separate region in the eigenvalue spectrum if the loss is high compared to other regions
- The separated region is sparsely populated
- High loss regions have their corresponding eigenvectors localized instead of being spread out in the entire region
- QNMs corresponding to the eigenfrequencies lying in the bandwidth of the input pulse is necessary for reconstructing the solution


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## Future work

- Using the structure of the QNMs and PMLs to find the relevant modes
- Creating a filter to have a faster convergence to the QNMs
- Using a different system with fewer number of scattering poles

Thank You!

