

Collocation Isogeometric Approximation of acoustic wave problems

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In this presentation we consider the numerical approximation of acoustic wave problems with absorbing boundary conditions by the Isogeometric discretization in space, and Newmark scheme in time, both explicit and implicit [2, 5]. Isogeometric Analysis (IGA) allows not only the standard p - and hp - refinement of hp - finite elements and spectral elements, where p is the polynomial degree of the C^0 piecewise polynomial basis functions, but also a novel k - refinement where the global regularity k of the IGA basis functions is increased proportionally to the degree p , up to the maximal IGA regularity $k = p - 1$ [2].

In the framework of NURBS-based IGA, first we have considered Galerkin approaches [4] and then we have moved on to collocation methods, that in general optimize the computational cost, still taking advantage of IGA geometrical flexibility and accuracy [1, 3].

Proper boundary conditions are also considered. While homogeneous Neumann conditions provide a good mathematical representation of a free surface, absorbing boundary conditions are imposed in order to simulate wave propagation in infinite domains, by truncating the original unbounded region into a finite one.

Several numerical examples illustrate the stability and convergence properties of the numerical collocation IGA methods with respect to all the IGA approximation parameters, namely the local polynomial degree p , regularity k , mesh size h , and to the time step size Δt of the Newmark schemes [5]. Some numerical results on the spectral properties of the Collocation IGA mass and stiffness matrices are also presented.

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