

Investigating Magnetic and Electric Fields Couplings for 3D models in Harmonic and Transient States

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Context and Goal



• Context:

Pulsed magnetic technologies Medium frequencies – pulsed magnetic fields Eddy currents, skin effect and Lorentz force

• Goal:

Investigate a 3D harmonic and transient formulation coupling magnetic and electric fields formulations in COMSOL









- 1. Introduction: 2 or 3 test cases
- 2. Governing and resulting equations
- 3. Modelling of test cases and results
 - 3.1. Presentation of Test Case 1 the wire
 - 3.2. Presentation of Test Case 2 the wire in air
 - 3.3. Presentation of Test Case 3 the coil
- 4. Conclusion and Forthcomings



1. Introduction ESIEE

Conducting material: Copper (Conductivity $\sigma \cong 6e^7$ S.m⁻¹, permeability $\mu = \nu^{-1} = \mu_0 = \nu_0^{-1} = 4\pi . e^{-7}$ H.m⁻¹, permittivity $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 = 8.85 . e^{-12}$ F.m⁻¹)



2. Governing Equations

- Magnetic Field Magnetic Vector Potential A: $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{j} \text{ and } \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{v} \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{v}_0 \mathbf{B} \\ \text{with } \mathbf{B} = \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \mathbf{A} \end{matrix} \right\}$
- Electric Field Electric Scalar Potential V: $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \nabla \cdot j = 0 \text{ and } j = \sigma E \\ \text{with } E = -\nabla V \end{matrix} \right\}$
- Coupling potentials A and V:

$$\begin{cases} \nabla \times (\nabla \nabla \times \mathbf{A}) + \sigma \partial_{t} \mathbf{A} = -\sigma \nabla V \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0 \end{cases}$$

with $\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla V - \partial_{t} \mathbf{A}$

2. Resulting Equations



• Power losses and equivalent resistance

$$P_{j} = \iiint_{\text{space}} \frac{j^{2}}{2\sigma} d^{3}x \text{ and } R = \frac{2P_{j}}{I^{2}} \text{ with } I = \iint_{\pi R_{0}^{2}} \mathbf{j} \cdot \mathbf{d}^{2}x$$

Magnetic energy and equivalent inductance

$$W_{\rm m} = \iiint_{\rm space} \frac{B^2}{2\mu} d^3x \text{ and } L = \frac{2W_{\rm m}}{I^2}$$

• Electric energy and equivalent capacity

$$W_{e} = \iiint_{space} \frac{D^{2}}{2\epsilon} d^{3}x \text{ and } C = \frac{2W_{e}}{(\Delta V)^{2}}$$







 $V = V_1 = 1 \mu V = 1 e^{-6} V$

freq0(5)=50 freq(1)=50 Multicoupes: Potentiel électrique (V) Flèches sur surface: Densité de courant



freq0(5)=50 freq(1)=50 Multicoupes: Champ magnétique, norme (A/m) Flèches sur surface: Champ magnétique



3. Modelling of test cases 3.1. Test case 1 – *the wire*

H and j distribution with field constraint



- Eddy currents and skin effect correctly described
- Agreement between the two methods and formulations COMSOL

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H and j distribution without field constraint

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Electric field and total current density damping

3. Modelling of test cases 3.1. Test case 1 – the wire

Current-Voltage behaviour @ 50 Hz



3. Modelling of test cases **ESIEE** 3.1. Test case 1 – *the wire*

Equivalent resistance per unit length













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Field H and Current density j distribution



- Field damping due to both the inductance in air and eddy currents
- Eddy currents and skin effect correctly described
- Agreement between the two methods and formulations



Harmonic vs transient behaviour @50 Hz



- Correct Magnitude and phase angle
- Wrong DC current (cause: Gauge? Convergence method?)

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Equivalent R, L and C per unit length



Correct estimation of Resistance R and Inductance L

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• Different Capacities C (cause: $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla \mathbf{V} \neq \mathbf{E} = -\nabla \mathbf{V} - \partial_t \mathbf{A}$)

4. Conclusion and Forthcomings

• Conclusion:

(+) no geometry constraint on the coil
(+) resistive, inductive and capacitive effects
(+) transient working condition
(-) big memory space needed
(-) hard convergence
(-) time consuming method

• Forthcomings:



Apply the transient coupling formulation on the coil Compare segregated and fully-coupled methods Investigate other potentials formulations (T, Φ)









)=50 Volume: Densité de courant, norme (A/m²)





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Field distribution





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Current distribution





Equivalent R, L and C per unit length



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3. Modelling of test cases 3.3. Test case 3 – the coil

Equivalent R, L and C per unit length





Equivalent R, L and C per unit length



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