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Temperature Rise Due to Microwave Heating, Including Effects of Load Rotation

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Vector Fields

Engineering Consultancy Specializing in Electromagnetic Computation

Founded at Oxford, England in 1984 by former employees of the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory



Software Packages ...

OPERA-2d

- 2d static and time varying field analysi
- 2d stress and thermal analysis

• OPERA-3d

- TOSCA : 3d static analysis
- ELEKTRA : 3d time varying field analysis
- CARMEN : 3d rotating machine analysis
- SCALA : 3d space charge analysis

• CONCERTO

• 2d & 3d Microwave analysis



What is CONCERTO?

- CONCERTO is software specifically for RF and microwave design
- CONCERTO uses state of the art techniques, in conjunction with validated methods
- CONCERTO is intuitive to use, with a sophisticated Geometric Modeler
- CONCERTO provides designers with design information they require



CONCERTO Environment





Antenna Placement and RCS using CLASP







FDTD Method

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- This is well proven, robust and accurate
- Lossy, anisotropic media _ / including dispersive, gyrotropic



- Singularity correction near conductor edges/corners
 - especially for thin sheets, thin wires etc.

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Time Domain

- A time pulse is used for input sources
 - by Fourier Transform, the frequency response is obtained



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Time Domain Reflectometry

A strip-line structure terminated with a narrow grounded strip





Time-domain electric (above) and magnetic (below) fields revealing location and kind of the discontinuity

Why choose FDTD?

- Finite Elements are also very effective, but:
 leads to large matrices

 - frequency response requires multiple solutions
- Integral Methods for open air problems:
 - deals with free space well
 - less suited for complex geometres

when using Conforming Elements **Finite Differences are only effective**

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Conforming Elements

- For curved and inclined geometries
 - Vivaldi antenna



Conforming Elements

- Cells can contain more than one material type
 - Small cells are not required to represent the geometry





CONCERTO Will Model Curved and Inclined Boundaries





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Refining the FD Grid

- Mesh refinement
 - mesh density is controlled globally, or per cell
 - Expert Mesher can be used to set defaults
- Mesh position
 - grid can be forced to coincide with geometry
- Singularity correction
 - metal edges may have singularity correction if they coincide with grid edge



CONCERTO Geometric Modeler





Model 1 16(4) 99 213 125 Global coordinate system











Boolean operations allow primitives to be combined













Time variation can be selected, or user defined

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CONCERTO Editor shows different windows for drawing and viewing



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User Defined Objects

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Library of many objects, all parameterized and ready to use







Data Input

- Modeler
 - Powerful means of model creation
 - Import CAD files
 - Parameterization
- Editor
 - Predefined library of objects
 - Already parameterized
 - Couples directly to built in Optimizer



CONCERTO Simulator







File Run View Test Configure Tools Window Setup Help



3D display of fields







S-Parameter Calculations are Dynamic



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to remove oscillations in Frequency Domain



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Pyramidal Horn Antenna

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Design & measurements: Prof.B.Stec, Technical Military Academy, Poland Simulations: QWED

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3D Far-Field Radiation Patterns





Cylindrical Patch Antenna







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Introducing CONCERTO-2d





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Benchmark







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Results for Benchmark



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Envelope of Ez on zx mid-plane through load



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Envelope of Ez on xy plane 10mm above bottom of oven





Envelope of Ez on xy plane 52.5mm (centre of load)





Power Density on xy plane 52.5mm (centre of load)



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Power Density on mid vertical plane





Microwave Heating



Basic Heat Module

- Includes effect of Adiabatic Heating
 - No temperature diffusion
 - Simple update of temperature from heat sources
 - Simple update of material properties from T
- Iterative Process
 - Continually run EM / Temperature rise
 - Update T every few seconds as heat generated



BHM module operation



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Temperature rise during heating (BHM)





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Microwave Heating Simulation

Microwave Problem

- Universal EM solver (CONCERTO):
 - Electromagnetical fields simulation
 - ✓ Temperature-induced changes of the media E-M properties – BHM module

Interface -

Heat Transfer Problem

- Heat Transfer Solver:
 - Heat transfer effect
 - Mass transport effect
 - Radiation
 - Temperature-induced changes of the media thermal properties



Two approaches to Heat Transfer Simulation



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Commercial CFD package – Fluent

- Fluent universal CFD tool capable of modeling range of problems:
 - Heat transfer in solids
 - Support for porous media
 - Support for media with phase change
 - Mass transfer
 - Laminar and turbulent flow
 - Radiation
 - Range of boundary conditions



Fluent

- Fluent why this package?
 - Import of meshes from text files
 - Support for User Defined Routines
 - Initialization of fields from external files
 - Initialization of media properties
 - Initialization of boundary conditions
 - Dump of results to text files
 - Batch mode operation

As a result the whole process can be run directly from CONCERTO!

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Fluent Project Preparation

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- 1. Fluent Project preparation
 - Mesh
 - Media definitions
 - Boundary conditions
 - Initial conditions
- 2. Call thermal solver
 - Heat Transfer simulation
 - Results dump
- 3. Result files reading
 - Conversion to CONCERTO data format

Mesh conversion



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Media, BC, and IC preparation

Conversion software

Microwave Problem

Lossy media properties defined in a text file (pmo-file) containing:

- medium permittivity (given as f(T))
- medium losses (given as f(T))
- thermal conductivity (Ka)
- specific heat (SpecHeat)
- density (Density)

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Heat Transfer Problem

Conversion software role:

- Read the pmo files
- Establish kind of BC's based on pmo-files
- Prepare a media definition file for Fluent (*.BC)
- Include in the file the BC's data
- Prepare a script for Fluent (*.JOU) (needed to run Fluent in batch mode)

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Heat transfer simulation



Temperature field read into CONCERTO

Heat Transfer Problem

Conversion software role:

- Run Fluent in batch mode •
- Wait for Fluent to finish
- Read output data
- Create data text file in CONCERTO format
- Quit



Temperature field solution (ready to be dumped into a text file)
Result of example simulation

- Domestic microwave oven
- Sample of bread
- Temperature of hot spot (approx. in the centre of the sample)



Comparison of the solution obtained with and without the heat transfer module

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Two approaches to Heat Transfer Simulation



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Including Load Rotation



BHM module with Load Rotation

• The load is set to rotate

- At regular time intervals, temperature rise computed
- Material properties
 updated
- Load is rotated (with temperature pattern)
- New EM analysis performed



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BHM module with Load Rotation





Final State With and Without Rotation



Load Rotation

Stationary Load

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Final State With and Without Rotation





Load Rotation

Stationary Load



In Summary

- FDTD Technique is tried and tested
 - Proven to be efficient and accurate
 - Conforming Elements are required to model complex boundaries accurately, efficiently
- Basic Heat Module computes temperatures
 - Assuming adiabatic heating
 - Can model change in material properties
- Couple to Fluent
 - Accurate thermal model with dissipation
- Include Load rotation





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