

Electromagnetic wormholes via handlebody constructions

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Abstract: Cloaking devices are prescriptions of electrostatic, optical or electromagnetic parameter fields (conductivity $\sigma(x)$, index of refraction $n(x)$, or electric permittivity $\epsilon(x)$ and magnetic permeability $\mu(x)$) which are piecewise smooth on \mathbb{R}^3 and singular on a hypersurface Σ , and such that objects in the region enclosed by Σ are not detectable to external observation by waves. Here, we give related constructions of invisible tunnels, which allow electromagnetic waves to pass between possibly distant points, but with only the ends of the tunnels visible to electromagnetic imaging. Effectively, these change the topology of space with respect to solutions of Maxwell's equations, corresponding to attaching a handlebody to \mathbb{R}^3 . The resulting devices thus function as electromagnetic wormholes.

1. Introduction

There has recently been considerable interest, both theoretical [16, 18, 19, 3, 13] and experimental [20], in invisibility (or “cloaking”) from observation by electromagnetic (EM) waves. (See also [17] for a treatment of cloaking in the context of elasticity.) Theoretically, cloaking devices are given by specifying the conductivity $\sigma(x)$ (in the case of electrostatics), the index of refraction $n(x)$ (for optics in the absence of polarization, where one uses the Helmholtz equation), or the electric permittivity $\epsilon(x)$ and magnetic permeability $\mu(x)$ (for the full system of Maxwell's equations.) In the constructions to date, the EM parameter fields ($\sigma; n; \epsilon$ and μ) have been piecewise smooth and anisotropic. (See, however, [5, Sec.4] for an example that can be interpreted as cloaking with respect to Helmholtz by an isotropic negative index of refraction material.) Furthermore, the EM parameters have singularities, with one or more eigenvalues of the tensors going to zero or infinity as one approaches from on or both sides the *cloaking*

surface Σ , which encloses the region within which objects may be hidden from external observation. Such constructions might have remained theoretical curiosities, but the advent of *metamaterials*[1] allows one, within the constraints of current technology, to construct media with fairly arbitrary $\epsilon(x)$ and $\mu(x)$.

It thus becomes an interesting mathematical problem with practical significance to understand what other new phenomena of wave propagation can be produced by prescribing other arrangements of ϵ and μ . Geometrically, cloaking can be viewed as arising from a singular transformation of \mathbb{R}^3 . Intuitively, for a spherical cloak [6, 7, 18], it is as if an infinitesimally small hole in space has been stretched to a ball D ; an object can be inserted inside the hole so created and is then invisible to external observations. On the level of the EM parameters, homogeneous, isotropic parameters ϵ, μ are pushed forward to become inhomogeneous, anisotropic and singular as one approaches $\Sigma = \partial D$ from the exterior. There are then two ways, referred to as the *single* and *double* coating in [3], of continuing ϵ, μ to within D so as to rigorously obtain invisibility with respect to locally finite energy waves. We refer to either process as *blowing up a point*. As observed in [3], one can use the double coating to produce a manifold with a different topology, but with the change in topology invisible to external measurements.

To define the solutions of Maxwell's equations rigorously in the single coating case, one has to add boundary conditions on Σ . Physically, this corresponds to the lining of the interior of the single coating material, e.g., in the case of blowing up a point, with a perfectly conducting layer, see [3]. We point out here that in the very interesting preprint [21], the single coating construction is supplemented with selfadjoint extensions of Maxwell operators in the interior of the cloaked regions; these implicitly impose interior boundary conditions on the boundary of the cloaked region, similar to the PEC boundary condition suggested in [3]. For the case of an infinite cylinder the Soft-and-Hard (SH) interior boundary condition is used in [3] to guarantee cloaking of active objects, and is needed even for passive ones.

In this paper, we show how more elaborate geometric constructions, corresponding to *blowing up a curve*, enable the description of tunnels which allow the passage of waves between distant points, while only the ends of the tunnels are visible to external observation. These devices function as electromagnetic wormholes, essentially changing the topology of space with respect to solutions of Maxwell's equations.

We form the wormhole device around an obstacle $K \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ as follows. First, one surrounds K with metamaterials, corresponding to a specification of EM parameters $\tilde{\epsilon}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$. Secondly, one lines the surface of K with material implementing the Soft-and-Hard (SH) boundary condition from antenna theory [8, 10, 11]; this condition arose previously [3] in the context of cloaking an infinite cylinder. The EM parameters, which become singular as one approaches K , are given as the pushforwards of nonsingular parameters ϵ and μ on an abstract three-manifold M , described in Sec. 2. For a curve $\gamma \subset M$, we construct the diffeomorphism F from $M \setminus \gamma$ to the wormhole device in Sec. 3. For the resulting EM parameters $\tilde{\epsilon}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$, we have singular coefficients of Maxwell's equations at K , and so it is necessary to formulate an appropriate notion of locally finite energy solutions (see Def. 4.1). In Theorem 4.2, we then show that there is a perfect correspon-

dence between the external measurements of EM waves propagating through the wormhole device and those propagating on the wormhole manifold.

It was shown in [3] that the cloaking constructions are mathematically valid at all frequencies k . However, both cloaking and the wormhole effect studied here should be considered as essentially monochromatic, or at least very narrow-band, using current technology, since, from a practical point of view the metamaterials needed to implement the constructions have to be fabricated and assembled with a particular wavelength in mind, and theoretically are subject to significant dispersion [18]. Thus, as for cloaking in [16, 18, 3], here we describe the wormhole construction relative to electromagnetic waves at a fixed positive frequency k . We point out that the metamaterials used in the experimental verification of cloaking [20] should be readily adaptable to yield a physical implementation, at microwave frequencies, of the wormhole device described here. See Remark 1 in Sec. 4.2 for further discussion.

The results proved here were announced in [4].

2. The wormhole manifold M

First we explain, somewhat informally, what we mean by a wormhole. The concept of a wormhole is familiar from general relativity [9, 22], but here we define a wormhole as an object obtained by gluing together pieces of Euclidian space equipped with certain anisotropic EM parameter fields. We start by describing this process heuristically; later, we explain more precisely how this can be effectively realized *vis-a-vis* EM wave propagation using metamaterials.

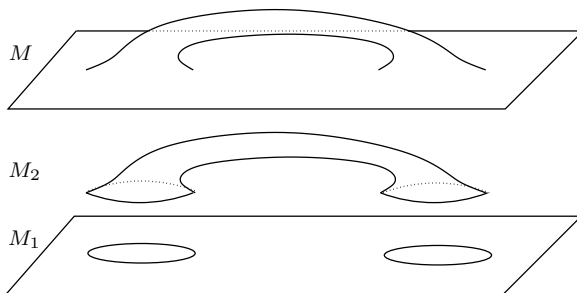


Fig. 1. Schematic figure: a wormhole manifold is glued from two components, the “handle” and space with two holes. Note that in the actual construction, the components are three dimensional.

We first describe the wormhole as an abstract manifold M , see Fig. 1; in the next section we will show how to realize this concretely in \mathbb{R}^3 , as a wormhole device N . Start by making two holes in the Euclidian space $\mathbb{R}^3 = \{(x, y, z) | x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$, say by removing the open ball $B_1 = B(O, 1)$ with center at the origin O and of radius 1, and also the open ball $B_2 = B(P, 1)$, where $P = (0, 0, L)$ is a

point on the z -axis having the distance $L > 3$ to the origin. We denote by M_1 the region so obtained, $M_1 = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (B_1 \cup B_2)$, which is the first component we need to construct a wormhole. Note that M_1 is a 3-dimensional manifold with boundary, the boundary of M_1 being $\partial M_1 = \partial B_1 \cup \partial B_2$, the union of two 2-spheres. Thus, ∂M_1 can be considered as a disjoint union $\mathbb{S}^2 \cup \mathbb{S}^2$, where we will use \mathbb{S}^2 to denote various copies of the two-dimensional unit sphere.

The second component needed is a 3-dimensional cylinder, $M_2 = \mathbb{S}^2 \times [0, 1]$. This cylinder can be constructed by taking the closed unit cube $[0, 1]^3$ in \mathbb{R}^3 and, for each value of $0 < s < 1$, gluing together, i.e., identifying, all of the points on the boundary of the cube with $z = s$. Note that we do not identify points at the top of the boundary, at $z = 1$, or at the bottom, at $z = 0$. We then glue together the boundary $\partial B(O, 1) \sim \mathbb{S}^2$ of the ball $B(O, 1)$ with the lower end (boundary component) $\mathbb{S}^2 \times \{0\}$ of M_2 , and the boundary $\partial B(P, 1)$ with the upper end, $\mathbb{S}^2 \times \{1\}$. In doing so we identify the point $(0, 0, 1) \in \partial B(O, 1)$ with the point $NP \times \{0\}$ and the point $(0, 0, L - 1) \in \partial B(P, 1)$ with the point $NP \times \{1\}$, where NP is the north pole on \mathbb{S}^2 .

The resulting manifold M no longer lies in \mathbb{R}^3 , but rather is the connected sum of the components M_1 and M_2 and has the topology of \mathbb{R}^3 with a 3-dimensional handle attached. Note that adding this handle makes it possible to travel from one point in M_1 to another point in M_1 , not only along curves lying in M_1 but also those in M_2 .

To consider Maxwell's equations on M , let us start with Maxwell's equations on \mathbb{R}^3 at frequency $k \in \mathbb{R}$, given by

$$\nabla \times E = ikB, \quad \nabla \times H = -ikD, \quad D(x) = \varepsilon(x)E(x), \quad B(x) = \mu(x)H(x).$$

Here E and H are the electric and magnetic fields, D and B are the electric displacement field and the magnetic flux density, ε and μ are matrices corresponding to permittivity and permeability. As the wormhole is topologically different from the Euclidian space \mathbb{R}^3 , we use a formulation of Maxwell's equations on a manifold, and as in [3], do this in the setting of a general Riemannian manifold, (M, g) . For our purposes, as in [14, 3] it suffices to use ε, μ which are conformal, i.e., proportional by scalar fields, to the metric g . In this case, Maxwell's equations can be written, in the coordinate invariant form, as

$$dE = ikB, \quad dH = -ikD, \quad D = \varepsilon E, \quad B = \mu H \quad \text{in } M,$$

where E, H are 1-forms, D, B are 2-forms, d is the exterior derivative, and ε and μ are scalar functions times the Hodge operator of (M, g) , which maps 1-forms to the corresponding 2-forms [2]. In local coordinates these equations are written in the same form as Maxwell's equations in Euclidian space with matrix valued ε and μ . Although not necessary, for simplicity one can choose a metric on the wormhole manifold M which is Euclidian on M_1 , and on M_2 is the product of a given metric g_0 on \mathbb{S}^2 and the standard metric of $[0, 1]$. More generally, can also choose the metric on M_2 to be a warped product. Even the simple choice of the product of the standard metric of \mathbb{S}^2 and the metric $\delta^2 ds^2$, where δ is the "length" of the wormhole, gives rise to interesting ray-tracing effects for rays passing through the wormhole tunnel. For $\delta \ll 1$, the image through one end of the wormhole (of the region beyond the other end) would resemble the image

in a a fisheye lens; for $\delta \gtrsim 1$, multiple images and greater distortion occur. (See [4, Fig.2].)

The proof of the wormhole effect that we actually give is for yet another variation, where the balls that form the ends have their boundary spheres flattened; this may be useful for applications, since it allows for there to be a vacuum (or air) in a neighborhood of the axis of the wormhole, so that, e.g., instruments may be passed through the wormhole. We next show how to construct, using metamaterials, a device N in \mathbb{R}^3 that effectively realizes the geometry and topology of M , relative to solutions of Maxwell's equations at frequency k , and hence functions as an electromagnetic wormhole.

3. The wormhole device N in \mathbb{R}^3

We now explain how to construct a “device” N in \mathbb{R}^3 , i.e., a specification of permittivity ε and permeability μ , which affects the propagation of electromagnetic waves in the same way as the presence of the handle M_2 in the wormhole manifold M . What this means is that we prescribe a configuration of metamaterials which make the waves behave as if there were an invisible tube attached to \mathbb{R}^3 , analogous to the handle M_2 in the wormhole manifold M . In the other words, as far as external EM observations of the wormhole device are concerned, it appears as if the topology of space has been changed.

We use cylindrical coordinates (θ, r, z) corresponding to a point $(r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z)$ in \mathbb{R}^3 . The wormhole device is built around an obstacle $K \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. To define K , let S be the two-dimensional finite cylinder $\{\theta \in [0, 2\pi], r = 2, 0 \leq z \leq L\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. The open region K consists of all points in \mathbb{R}^3 that have distance less than one to S and has the shape of a long, thick-walled tube with smoothed corners.

Let us first introduce a deformation map F from M to $N = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus K$ or, more precisely, from $M \setminus \gamma$ to $N \setminus \Sigma$, where γ is a closed curve in M to be described shortly and $\Sigma = \partial K$. We will define F separately on M_1 and M_2 denoting the corresponding parts by F_1 and F_2 .

To describe F_1 , let γ_1 be the line segment on the z -axis connecting $\partial B(O, 1)$ and $\partial B(P, 1)$ in M_1 , namely, $\gamma_1 = \{r = 0, z \in [1, L - 1]\}$. Let $F_1(r, z) = (\theta, R(r, z), Z(r, z))$ be such that $(R(r, z), Z(r, z))$, shown in Fig. 2,

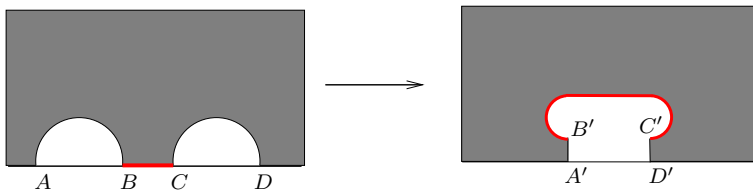


Fig. 2. The map $(R(r, z), Z(r, z))$ in cylindrical coordinates (z, r) .

transforms in the (r, z) coordinates the semicircles AB and CD in the left picture to the vertical line segments $A'B' = \{r \in [0, 1], z = 0\}$ and $C'D' = \{r \in$

$[0, 1], z = L\}$ in the right picture and the cut γ_1 on the left picture to the curve $B'C'$ on the right picture. This gives us a map $F_1 : M_1 \setminus \gamma_1 \rightarrow N_1 \setminus \Sigma$, where the closed region N_1 in \mathbb{R}^3 is obtained by rotation of the region exterior to the curve $A'B'C'D'$ around the z -axis. We can choose F_1 so that it is the identity map in the domain $U = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{-2 \leq z \leq L + 2, 0 \leq r \leq 4\}$.

To describe F_2 , consider the line segment, $\gamma_2 = \{NP\} \times [0, 1]$ on M_2 . The sphere without the north pole can be "flattened" and stretched to an open disc with radius one which, together with stretching $[0, 1]$ to $[0, L]$, gives us a map F_2 from $M_2 \setminus \gamma_2$ to $N_2 \setminus \Sigma$. The region N_2 is the 3-dimensional cylinder, $N_2 = \{\theta \in [0, 2\pi], r \in [0, 1], z \in [0, L]\}$. When flattening $\mathbb{S}^2 \setminus NP$, we do it in such a way that F_1 on $\partial B(O, 1)$ and $\partial B(P, 1)$ coincides with F_2 on $(\mathbb{S}^2 \setminus NP) \times \{0\}$ and $(\mathbb{S}^2 \setminus NP) \times \{1\}$, respectively.

Thus, F maps $M \setminus \gamma$, where $\gamma = \gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2$ is a closed curve in M , onto $N \setminus \Sigma$; in addition, F is the identity on the region U .

Now we are ready to define the electromagnetic material parameter tensors on N . We define the permittivity to be

$$\tilde{\varepsilon} = F_*\varepsilon(y) = \left. \frac{(DF)(x) \cdot \varepsilon(x) \cdot (DF)(x)^t}{\det(DF)} \right|_{x=F^{-1}(y)},$$

where DF is the derivative matrix of F , and similarly the permeability to be $\tilde{\mu} = F_*\mu$. These deformation rules are based on the fact that permittivity and permeability are conductivity type tensors, see [14].

Maxwell's equations are invariant under smooth changes of coordinates. This means that, by the chain rule, any solution to Maxwell's equations in $M \setminus \gamma$, endowed with material parameters ε, μ becomes, after transformation by F , a solution to Maxwell's equations in $N \setminus \Sigma$ with material parameters $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$, and *vice versa*. However, when considering the fields on the entire spaces M and N , these observations are not enough, due to the singularities of $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$ near Σ ; the significance of this for cloaking was observed and analyzed in [3]. In the following, we will show that the physically relevant class of solutions to Maxwell's equations, namely the *(locally) finite energy* solutions, remains the same, with respect to the transformation F , in $(M; \varepsilon, \mu)$ and $(N; \tilde{\varepsilon}, \tilde{\mu})$. One can analyze the rays in M and N endowed with the electromagnetic wave propagation metrics $g = \sqrt{\varepsilon\mu}$ and $\tilde{g} = \sqrt{\tilde{\varepsilon}\tilde{\mu}}$, respectively. Then the rays on M are transformed by F into the rays in N . As almost all the rays on M do not intersect with γ , therefore, almost all the rays on N do not approach Σ . This was the basis for [16, 18] and was analyzed further in [19]; see also [17] for a similar analysis in the context of elasticity. Thus, heuristically one is led to conclude that the electromagnetic waves on $(M; \varepsilon, \mu)$ do not feel the presence of γ , while those on $(N; \tilde{\varepsilon}, \tilde{\mu})$ do not feel the presence of K , and these waves can be transformed into each other by the map F .

Although the above considerations are mathematically rigorous, on the level both of the chain rule and of high frequency limits, i.e., ray tracing, in the exteriors $M \setminus \gamma$ and $N \setminus \Sigma$, they do not suffice to fully describe the behavior of physically meaningful solution fields on M and N . However, by carefully examining the class of the finite-energy waves in M and N and analyzing their behavior near γ and Σ , respectively, we can give a complete analysis, justifying

the conclusions above. Let us briefly explain the main steps of the analysis using methods developed for theory of invisibility (or cloaking) at frequency $k > 0$ [3] and at frequency $k = 0$ in [6, 7]. The details will follow.

First, to guarantee that the fields in N are finite energy solutions and do not blow up near Σ , we have to impose at Σ the appropriate boundary condition, namely, the Soft-and-Hard (SH) condition, see [8, 11],

$$e_\theta \cdot E|_\Sigma = 0, \quad e_\theta \cdot H|_\Sigma = 0,$$

where e_θ is the angular direction. Secondly, the map F can be considered as a smooth coordinate transformation on $M \setminus \gamma$; thus, the finite energy solutions on $M \setminus \gamma$ transform under F into the finite energy solutions on $N \setminus \Sigma$, and vice versa. Thirdly, the curve γ in M has Hausdorff dimension equal to one. This implies that the possible singularities of the finite energy electromagnetic fields near γ are removable [12], that is, the finite energy fields in $M \setminus \gamma$ are exactly the restriction to $M \setminus \gamma$ of the fields defined on all of M .

Combining these steps we can see that measurements of the electromagnetic fields on $(M; \varepsilon, \mu)$ and on $(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus K; \tilde{\varepsilon}, \tilde{\mu})$ coincide in U . In the other words, if we apply any current on U and measure the radiating electromagnetic fields it generates, then the fields on U in the wormhole manifold $(M; \varepsilon, \mu)$ coincide with the fields on U in $(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus K; \tilde{\varepsilon}, \tilde{\mu})$, 3-dimensional space equipped with the wormhole device construction.

Summarizing our construction, the wormhole device consists of the metamaterial coating of the obstacle K . This coating should have the permittivity $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and permeability $\tilde{\mu}$. In addition, we need to impose the SH boundary condition on Σ , which may be realized by fabricating the obstacle K from a perfectly conducting material with parallel corrugations on its surface [8, 11].

In the next section, the permittivity $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and permeability $\tilde{\mu}$ are described in a rather simple form. (As mentioned earlier, in order to allow for a tube around the axis of the wormhole to be a vacuum or air, we deal with a slightly different construction than was described above, starting with flattened spheres). It should be possible to physically implement an approximation to this mathematical idealization of the material parameters needed for the wormhole device, using concentric rings of split ring resonators as in the experimental verification of cloaking obtained in [20].

4. Rigorous construction of the wormhole

Here we present a rigorous model of a typical wormhole device and justify the claims above concerning the behavior of the electromagnetic fields in the wormhole device in \mathbb{R}^3 in terms of as the fields on the wormhole manifold (M, g) .

4.1. The wormhole manifold (M, g) and the wormhole device N . Here we prove the wormhole effect for a variant of the wormhole device described in the previous sections. Instead of using a round sphere \mathbb{S}^2 as before, we present a construction that uses a deformed sphere $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2$ that is flat the near the south and north poles,

SP and NP . This makes it possible to have constant isotropic material parameters near the z -axis located inside the wormhole. For possible applications, see [4].

We use following notations. Let $(\theta, r, z) \in [0, 2\pi] \times \overline{\mathbb{R}}_+ \times \mathbb{R}$ be the cylindrical coordinates of \mathbb{R}^3 , that is the map

$$X : (\theta, r, z) \rightarrow (r \cos \theta, r \sin \theta, z)$$

that maps $X : [0, 2\pi] \times \overline{\mathbb{R}}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$. In the following, we identify $[0, 2\pi]$ and the unit circle S^1 .

Let us start by removing from \mathbb{R}^3 two “deformed” balls which have flat portions near the south and north poles. More precisely, let $M_1 = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (P_1 \cup P_2)$, where in the cylindrical coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= \{X(\theta, r, z) : -1 \leq z \leq 1, 0 \leq r \leq 1\} \\ &\quad \cup \{X(\theta, r, z) : (r-1)^2 + z^2 \leq 1\}, \\ P_2 &= \{X(\theta, r, z) : 1 \leq z-L \leq 1, 0 \leq r \leq 1\} \\ &\quad \cup \{X(\theta, r, z) : (r-1)^2 + (z-L)^2 \leq 1\}. \end{aligned}$$

We say that the boundary ∂P_1 of P_1 is a deformed sphere with flat portions, and denote it by $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2$. We say that the intersection points of $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2$ with the z -axis are the north pole, NP , and the south pole, SP .

Let g_1 be the metric on M_1 inherited from \mathbb{R}^3 , and let γ_1 be the path

$$\gamma_1 = \{X(0, 0, z) : 1 < z < L-1\} \subset M_1.$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= M_1 \setminus V_{1/4}, \\ V_t &= \{X(\theta, r, z) : 0 \leq r \leq t, 1 < z < L-1\}, \quad 0 < t < 1, \end{aligned}$$

and consider a map $G_0 : M_1 \setminus \gamma_1 \rightarrow A_1$; see Fig. 3. G_0 defined as the identity map on $M_1 \setminus V_{1/2}$ and, in cylindrical coordinates, as

$$G_0(X(\theta, r, z)) = X\left(\theta, \frac{1}{4} + \frac{r}{2}, z\right), \quad (\theta, r, z) \in V_{1/2}.$$

Clearly, G_0 is $C^{0,1}$ -smooth.

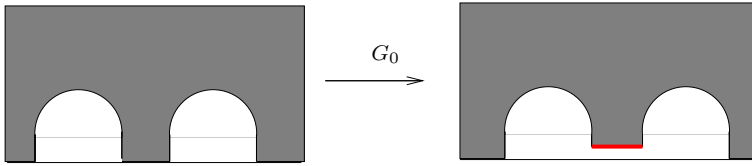


Fig. 3. A schematic figure on the map G_0 , considered in the (r, z) coordinates. Later, we impose the SH boundary condition on the portion of the boundary coloured red.

Let $U(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$, $x = X(\theta, r, z)$, be the orthogonal matrix that maps the standard unit vectors e_1, e_2, e_3 of \mathbb{R}^3 to the Euclidian unit vectors corresponding to the θ , r , and z directions, that is,

$$U(x)e_1 = (-\sin \theta, \cos \theta, 0), \quad U(x)e_2 = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta, 0), \quad U(x)e_3 = (0, 0, 1).$$

Then the differential of G_0 in the Euclidian coordinates at the point $x \in V_{1/2}$ is the matrix

$$DG_0(x)U(y) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{r}(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{r}{2}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} U(x)^{-1}, \quad x = X(\theta, r, z), \quad y = G_0(x). \quad (1)$$

Later we impose on part of the boundary, $\Sigma_0 = \partial A_1 \cap \{1 < z < L - 1\}$, the soft-and-hard boundary condition (marked red in the figures).

Next, let $(\theta, z, \tau) = (\theta(x), z(x), \tau(x))$ be the Euclidian boundary normal coordinates associated to Σ_0 , that is, $\tau(x) = \text{dist}_{\mathbb{R}^3}(x, \Sigma_0)$ and $(\theta(x), z(x))$ are the θ and z -coordinates of the closest point of Σ_0 to x .

Denote by $(G_0)_*g_1$ the push forward of the metric g_1 in G_0 , that is, the metric obtained from g_1 using the change of coordinates G_0 , see [2]. The metric $(G_0)_*g_1$ coincides with g_1 in $A_1 \setminus V_{1/2}$, and in the Euclidian boundary normal coordinates of Σ_0 , on $A_1 \cap V_{1/2}$, the metric $(G_0)_*g_1$, has the length element

$$ds^2 = 4\tau^2 d\theta^2 + dz^2 + 4d\tau^2.$$

Next, let

$$\begin{aligned} q_3 &= \text{conv} \left(\{(r, z) : (r - 2)^2 + (z - (-2))^2 \leq 1\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \cup \{(r, z) : (r - 2)^2 + (z - (L + 2))^2 \leq 1\} \right), \\ q_4 &= \{(r, z) : 0 \leq r \leq 1, -1 \leq z \leq L + 1\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\text{conv}(q)$ denotes the convex hull of the set q .

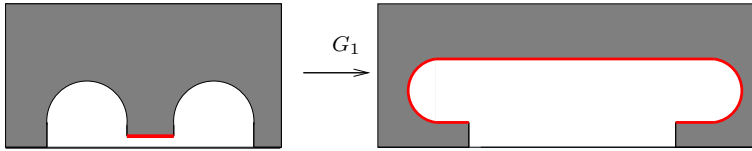


Fig. 4. Map G_1 in (r, z) -coordinates.

Let

$$\begin{aligned} N_1 &= \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (P_3 \cup P_4), \\ P_3 &= \{X(\theta, r, z) : (r, z) \in q_3\}, \\ P_4 &= \{X(\theta, r, z) : (r, z) \in q_4\}, \\ \Sigma_1 &= \partial N_1 \setminus \partial P_4. \end{aligned}$$

We can find a Lipschitz smooth map $G_1 : A_1 \rightarrow N_1$, see Fig. 4, of the form

$$G_1(X(\theta, r, z)) = X(\theta, R(r, z), Z(r, z))$$

such that it maps Σ_0 to Σ_1 , and in A_1 near Σ_0 it is given by

$$G_1(x + t\nu_0) = G_1(x) + t\nu_1. \quad (2)$$

Here, $x \in \Sigma_0$, ν_0 is the Euclidian unit normal vector of Σ_0 , ν_1 is the Euclidian unit normal vector of Σ_1 , and $0 < t < \frac{1}{4}$. Moreover, we can find a G_1 so that it is the identity map near the z -axis, that is,

$$G_1(x) = x, \quad x \in A_1 \cap \{0 \leq r < \frac{1}{4}\} \quad (3)$$

and such that G_1 is also the identity map in the set of points with the Euclidian distance 4 or more from $P_1 \cup P_2$. Note that we can find such a G_1 such that both G_1 and its inverse G_1^{-1} are Lipschitz smooth up to the boundary. Thus the differential DG_1 of G_1 at $x \in A_1$ in Euclidian coordinates is

$$DG_1(x) = U(y) \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}(r, z) & 0 \\ 0 & A(r, z) \end{pmatrix} U(x)^{-1}, \quad x = X(\theta, r, z), \quad y = G_1(x),$$

where $c_0 \leq a_{11}(r, z) \leq c_1$ and $A(r, z)$ is a symmetric (2×2) -matrix satisfying

$$c_0 I \leq A(r, z) \leq c_1 I$$

with some $c_0, c_1 > 0$.

The map $F_1(x) = G_1(G_0(x))$ then maps $F_1 : M_1 \setminus \gamma_1 \rightarrow N_1$. Let $\tilde{g}_1 = (F_1)_* g_1$ be metric on N_1 . From the above considerations, we see that the differential DF_1 of F_1 at $x \in M_1 \setminus \gamma_1$ near Σ_0 , in Euclidian coordinates, is given by

$$DF_1(x) = U(y) \begin{pmatrix} b_{11}(\theta, r, z) & 0 \\ 0 & B(r, z) \end{pmatrix} U(x)^{-1}, \quad (4)$$

$$b_{11}(\theta, r, z) = \frac{c_{11}(r, z)}{\text{dist}_{\mathbb{R}^3}(X(\theta, r, z), \Sigma_0)} \quad x = X(\theta, r, z), \quad y = F_1(x)$$

where $c_0 \leq c_{11}(r, z) \leq c_1$, and $B(r, z)$ is a symmetric (2×2) -matrix satisfying

$$c_0 I \leq B(r, z) \leq c_1 I,$$

for some $c_0, c_1 > 0$.

Note that $\partial P_4 \cap \{r < 1\}$ consists of two two-dimensional discs, $B_2(0, 1) \times \{-1\}$ and $B_2(0, 1) \times \{L+1\}$. Below, we will use the map

$$f_2 = F_1|_{\partial P_1 \setminus NP} : \partial P_1 \setminus NP \rightarrow B_2(0, 1) \times \{-1\} \subset \partial N_1.$$

The map f_2 can be considered as the deformation that ‘‘flattens’’ $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \setminus NP$ to a two dimensional unit disc.

To describe f_2 , consider $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2$ as a surface in Euclidian space and define on it the θ coordinate corresponding to the θ coordinate of $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{z = 0\}$. Let then $s(y)$ be the intrinsic distance of $y \in \mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2$ to the south pole SP . Then (θ, s) define

coordinates in $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \setminus \{SP, NP\}$. We denote by $y(\theta, s) \in \mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \setminus \{SP, NP\}$ the point corresponding to the coordinates (θ, s) .

By the above construction, the map f_2 has the form, with respect to the coordinates used above,

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(y(\theta, s)) &= X(\theta, R(s), -1) \in B_2(0, 1) \times \{-1\}, \quad \text{where} \quad (5) \\ R(s) &= s, \quad \text{for } 0 < s < \frac{1}{4}, \\ R(s) &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}[(\pi + 4) - s], \quad \text{for } (\pi + 4) - \frac{1}{4} < s < (\pi + 4), \end{aligned}$$

cf. formulae (2) and (3). In the following we identify $B_2(0, 1) \times \{-1\}$ with the disc $B_2(0, 1)$.

Let h_1 be the metric on $\partial P_1 \setminus NP$ inherited from (M_1, g_1) . Let $h_2 = (f_2)_* h_1$ be the metric on $B_2(0, 1)$. We observe that the metric h_2 makes the disc $B_2(0, 1)$ isometric to $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \setminus NP$, endowed with the metric inherited from \mathbb{R}^3 . Thus, let

$$M_2 = \mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \times [-1, L + 1].$$

On M_2 , let the metric g_2 be the product of the metric of $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2$ inherited from \mathbb{R}^3 and the metric $\alpha_2(z)dz^2$, $\alpha_2 > 0$ on $[-1, L + 1]$. Let $\gamma_2 = \{NP\} \times [-1, L + 1]$ be a path on M_2 .

Define $N_2 = P_4 = \{X(\theta, r, z) : 0 \leq r < 1, -1 \leq z \leq L + 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, $\Sigma_2 = \partial N_2 \cap \{r = 1\}$, and let $F_2 : M_2 \setminus \gamma_2 \rightarrow N_2$ be the map of the form

$$F_2(y, z) = (f_2(y), z) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad (y, z) \in (\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \setminus NP) \times [-1, L + 1]. \quad (6)$$

Let $\tilde{g}_2 = (F_2)_* g_2$ be the resulting metric on N_2 .

Denote by $\overline{M}_1 = M_1 \cup \partial M_1$ the closure of M_1 and let $(M, g) = (\overline{M}_1, g_1) \# (M_2, g_2)$ be the connected sum of \overline{M}_1 and M_2 , that is, we glue the boundaries ∂M_1 and ∂M_2 . The set $N = N_1 \cup N_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is open, and its boundary ∂N is $\Sigma = \Sigma_1 \cup \Sigma_2$.

Let F be the map $F : M \setminus \gamma \rightarrow N$ defined by the maps $F_1 : M_1 \setminus \gamma_1 \rightarrow N_1$ and $F_2 : M_2 \setminus \gamma_2 \rightarrow N_2$, and finally, let $\gamma = \gamma_1 \cup \gamma_2$ and $\tilde{g} = F_* g$.

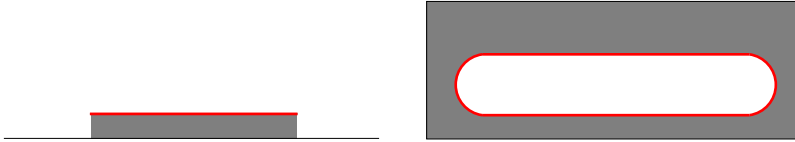


Fig. 5. Left: The set N_2 in the (r, z) coordinates. Right: The set $N = N_1 \cup N_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ having the complement K , presented in the (r, z) coordinates. Later, the SH boundary condition is imposed on ∂K .

Let $K = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus N$. On the surface $\Sigma = \partial K$ we can use local coordinates $(\tilde{t}, \tilde{\theta})$, where $\tilde{\theta}$ is the θ -coordinate of the ambient space \mathbb{R}^3 and \tilde{t} is either the r or z -coordinate of the ambient space \mathbb{R}^3 restricted to Σ . Denote also

$$\tilde{\tau} = \tilde{\tau}(x) = \text{dist}_{\mathbb{R}^3}(x, \partial K).$$

Then by formula (2) we see that in N_1 , in the Euclidian boundary normal coordinates $(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{t}, \tilde{\tau})$ associated to the surface Σ_1 , the metric \tilde{g} has the length element

$$ds^2 = 4d\tilde{\tau}^2 + \alpha_1(\tilde{t}) d\tilde{t}^2 + 4\tilde{\tau}^2 d\tilde{\theta}^2, \quad 0 < \tilde{\tau} < \frac{1}{4}, \quad c_0^{-1} \leq \alpha_1(\tilde{t}) \leq c_0, \quad c_0 \geq 1.$$

The construction of F_2 yields that in N_2 , in the Euclidian boundary normal coordinates $(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{t}, \tilde{\tau})$ with $\tilde{t} = z$, associated to the surface $\Sigma_2 = \partial K \cap \partial N_2$, the metric \tilde{g} has the length element, near Σ_2 ,

$$ds^2 = 4d\tilde{\tau}^2 + \alpha_2(\tilde{t}) d\tilde{t}^2 + 4\tilde{\tau}^2 d\tilde{\theta}^2, \quad 0 < \tilde{\tau} < \frac{1}{4}.$$

Here, near $\partial N_1 \cap \partial N_2$, we use $\tilde{t} = z$ on Σ_1 . Choosing the map G_1 in the construction of the map F_1 appropriately, we have $\alpha_2(-1) = \alpha_1(-1)$, $\alpha_2(L+1) = \alpha_1(L+1)$, and the resulting map is Lipschitz.

On M_1 , N_1 , and N_2 that are subsets of \mathbb{R}^3 we have the well defined cylindrical coordinates (θ, r, z) . Similarly, $M_2 = \mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \times [-1, L+1]$ we define the coordinates (θ, s, z) , where (θ, s) are the above defined coordinates on $\mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \setminus \{SP, NP\}$.

We can also consider on $N \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ also the Euclidian metric, denoted by g^e . In Euclidean coordinates, $(g^e)_{ij} = \delta_{jk}$. Consider next the above defined Euclidian boundary normal coordinates $(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{t}, \tilde{\tau})$ associated to ∂K . They are well defined in a neighborhood of ∂K . We define the vector fields

$$\tilde{\xi} = \partial_{\tilde{\tau}}, \quad \tilde{\eta} = \partial_{\tilde{\theta}}, \quad \tilde{\zeta} = \partial_{\tilde{t}}$$

on N near ∂K . These vector fields are orthogonal with respect to the metric \tilde{g} and to the metric g^e .

On M near γ , we use coordinates (θ, t, τ) . On M_1 , near γ_1 they in the terms of the cylindrical coordinates are $(\theta, t, \tau) = (\theta, z, r)$. On M_2 , they are the coordinates $(\theta, t, \tau) = (\theta, z, s)$, where s is the intrinsic distance to the north pole NP . We define also the vector fields

$$\xi = \partial_{\tau}, \quad \eta = \partial_{\theta}, \quad \zeta = \partial_t$$

on $M \setminus \gamma$ near γ . These vector fields are orthogonal with respect to the metric g .

In the sequel, we consider the differential of F as the linear map $DF : (T_x M, g) \rightarrow (T_y N, g^e)$, $y = F(x)$, $x \in M \setminus \gamma$.

Using formula (4) in M_1 and formulas (5), (6) in M_2 , we see that $DF^{-1}(x)$ at $x \in N$ near ∂N is a bounded linear map that satisfies

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} |(\eta, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\eta})_g| &\leq C \tilde{\tau}(x), & (\zeta, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\eta})_g &= 0, & (\xi, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\eta})_g &= 0, \\ (\eta, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\zeta})_g &= 0, & |(\zeta, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\zeta})_g| &\leq C, & |(\xi, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\zeta})_g| &\leq C, \\ (\eta, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\xi})_g &= 0, & |(\zeta, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\xi})_g| &\leq C, & |(\xi, DF^{-1}(x)\tilde{\xi})_g| &\leq C, \end{aligned}$$

where $C > 0$ and $(\cdot, \cdot)_g$ is the inner product defined by the metric g . Moreover, we obtain similar estimates for DF in terms of the Euclidian metric g^e ,

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} |(\tilde{\eta}, DF(y)\eta)_{g^e}| &\leq C \tau(y)^{-1}, & (\tilde{\zeta}, DF(y)\eta)_{g^e} &= 0, & (\tilde{\xi}, DF(y)\eta)_{g^e} &= 0, \\ (\tilde{\eta}, DF(y)\zeta)_{g^e} &= 0, & |(\tilde{\zeta}, DF(y)\zeta)_{g^e}| &\leq C, & |(\tilde{\xi}, DF(y)\zeta)_{g^e}| &\leq C, \\ (\tilde{\eta}, DF(y)\xi)_{g^e} &= 0, & |(\tilde{\zeta}, DF(y)\xi)_{g^e}| &\leq C, & |(\tilde{\xi}, DF(y)\xi)_{g^e}| &\leq C \end{aligned}$$

for $y \in M \setminus \gamma$ near γ with $C > 0$.

Next, consider $DF(y)$ at $y \in M \setminus \gamma$. Recall that the singular values $s_j(y)$, $j = 1, 2, 3$ of $DF(y)$ are the square roots of the eigenvalues of $(DF(y))^t DF(y)$, where $(DF)^t$ is the transpose of DF . By (7), the singular values $s_j = s_j(y)$, $j = 1, 2, 3$, of $DF(y)$, numbered in increasing order, satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &\leq s_1(y) \leq c_2, \\ c_1 &\leq s_2(y) \leq c_2, \\ \frac{c_1}{\tau(y)} &\leq s_3(y) \leq \frac{c_2}{\tau(y)}, \end{aligned}$$

where $c_1, c_2 > 0$.

The determinant of the matrix $DF(y)$ can be computed in terms of its singular values by $\det(DF) = s_1 s_2 s_3$. Later, we need the norm of the matrix $\det(DF(y))^{-1} DF(y)$. It satisfies by formula (8)

$$\|\det(DF(y))^{-1} DF(y)\| = \left\| \left(\prod_{k=1}^3 s_k^{-1} \right) \text{diag}(s_1, s_2, s_3) \right\| = \max_{1 \leq j \leq 3} \prod_{k \neq j} s_k^{-1} \leq c_1^{-2}. \quad (9)$$

4.2. Maxwell's equations on the wormhole with SH coating. Let $dV_0(x)$ denote the Euclidian volume element on $\bar{N} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. Recall that $N \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ is open set with boundary $\partial N = \Sigma$. Let dV_g be the Riemannian volume on (M, g) . We consider below the map $F : M \setminus \gamma \rightarrow N$ as a coordinate deformation. The map F induces for any differential form \tilde{E} on N a form $E = F^* \tilde{E}$ in $M \setminus \gamma$ called the pull back of \tilde{E} in F , see [2].

Next, we consider Maxwell equations with degenerate material parameters $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$ on N with SH boundary conditions on Σ . On M and N we define the permittivity and permeability by setting

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{jk} &= \mu^{jk} = \det(g)^{1/2} g^{jk}, & \text{on } M, \\ \tilde{\varepsilon}^{jk} &= \tilde{\mu}^{jk} = \det(\tilde{g})^{1/2} \tilde{g}^{jk}, & \text{on } N. \end{aligned}$$

Here, and below, the matrix $[g_{jk}(x)]$ is the representation of the metric g in local coordinates, $[g^{jk}(x)]$ is the inverse of the matrix $[g_{jk}(x)]$, and $\det(g)$ is the determinant of $[g_{jk}(x)]$. We note that the metric \tilde{g} is degenerate near Σ , and thus $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$, represented as matrices in the Euclidian coordinates, have elements that tend to infinity at Σ , that is, the matrices $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$ have a singularity near Σ .

Remark 1. Modifying the above construction by replacing M_2 with $M_2 = \mathbb{S}_{\text{flat}}^2 \times [l_1, l_2]$ for appropriate $l_1, l_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ and choosing F_1 in an appropriate way, we can use local coordinates $(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{t})$ on Σ such that the Euclidian distance along Σ of points $(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{t}_1)$ and $(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{t}_2)$ is proportional to $|\tilde{t}_1 - \tilde{t}_2|$, and the metric \tilde{g} in the Euclidian boundary normal coordinates $(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{t}, \tilde{\tau})$ associated to ∂K has the form

$$ds^2 = 4d\tilde{\tau}^2 + d\tilde{t}^2 + 4\tilde{\tau}^2 d\tilde{\theta}^2, \quad 0 < \tilde{\tau} < \frac{1}{4}.$$

The metric corresponding to the metamaterials used in the physical experiment in [20] has the same form in Euclidian boundary normal coordinates associated to an infinitely long cylinder $B_2(0, 1) \times \mathbb{R}$. Thus it seems likely that metamaterials similar to those used in the experimental verification of cloaking could be used to create physical wormhole devices working at microwave frequencies.

4.3. Finite energy solutions of Maxwell's equations and the equivalence theorem. In the following, we consider 1-forms $\tilde{E} = \sum_j \tilde{E}_j d\tilde{x}^j$ and $\tilde{H} = \sum_j \tilde{H}_j d\tilde{x}^j$ in the Euclidian coordinates $(\tilde{x}^1, \tilde{x}^2, \tilde{x}^3)$ of $N \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. In the sequel, we use Einstein's summation convention and omit the sum signs. We use the Euclidian coordinates as we want to consider N with the differential structure inherited from the Euclidian space. We say that \tilde{E}_j and \tilde{H}_j are the (Euclidian) coefficients of the forms \tilde{E} and \tilde{H} , correspondingly. We say that these coefficients are in $L_{loc}^p(\overline{N}, dV_0)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, if

$$\int_W |E_j(x)|^p dV_0(x) < \infty, \quad \text{for all bounded measurable sets } W \subset \overline{N}.$$

Definition 1. We say that the 1-forms \tilde{E} and \tilde{H} are finite energy solutions of Maxwell's equations in N with the soft-and-hard (SH) boundary conditions on Σ and the frequency $k \neq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times \tilde{E} &= ik\tilde{\mu}(x)\tilde{H}, & \nabla \times \tilde{H} &= -ik\tilde{\varepsilon}(x)\tilde{E} + \tilde{J} \quad \text{on } N, \\ \tilde{\eta} \cdot \tilde{E}|_{\Sigma} &= 0, & \tilde{\eta} \cdot \tilde{H}|_{\Sigma} &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

if 1-forms \tilde{E} and \tilde{H} and 2-forms $\tilde{D} = \tilde{\varepsilon}\tilde{E}$ and $\tilde{B} = \tilde{\mu}\tilde{H}$ in N have coefficients in $L_{loc}^1(\overline{N}, dV_0)$ and satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{E}\|_{L^2(W, |\tilde{g}|^{1/2} dV_0)}^2 &= \int_W \tilde{\varepsilon}^{jk} \tilde{E}_j \overline{\tilde{E}_k} dV_0(x) < \infty, \\ \|\tilde{H}\|_{L^2(W, |\tilde{g}|^{1/2} dV_0)}^2 &= \int_W \tilde{\mu}^{jk} \tilde{H}_j \overline{\tilde{H}_k} dV_0(x) < \infty \end{aligned}$$

for all bounded measurable sets $W \subset N$, and finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_N ((\nabla \times \tilde{h}) \cdot \tilde{E} - ik\tilde{h} \cdot \tilde{\mu}(x)\tilde{H}) dV_0(x) &= 0, \\ \int_N ((\nabla \times \tilde{e}) \cdot \tilde{H} + \tilde{e} \cdot (ik\tilde{\varepsilon}(x)\tilde{E} - \tilde{J})) dV_0(x) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

for all 1-forms \tilde{e} and \tilde{h} with coefficients in $C_0^\infty(\overline{N})$ that satisfy

$$\tilde{\eta} \cdot \tilde{e}|_\Sigma = 0, \quad \tilde{\eta} \cdot \tilde{h}|_\Sigma = 0, \quad (11)$$

where $\tilde{\eta} = \partial_\theta$ is the angular vector field that is tangential to Σ .

Below, we use for 1-forms $E = E_j dx^j$ and $H = H_j dx^j$, given in local coordinates (x^1, x^2, x^3) on M , the notations

$$\nabla \times E = dH, \quad \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon E) = d * E, \quad \nabla \cdot (\mu H) = d * H,$$

where d is the exterior derivative and $*$ is the Hodge operator on (M, g) , cf. formula (10).

We have the following “equivalent behavior of electromagnetic fields on N and M ” result, analogous to the results of [3] for cloaking.

Theorem 1. *Let E and H be 1-forms on $M \setminus \gamma$ and \tilde{E} and \tilde{H} be 1-forms with coefficients in $L_{\text{loc}}^1(\overline{N}, dV_0)$ such that $E = F^* \tilde{E}$, $H = F^* \tilde{H}$. Let \tilde{J} and $J = F^* \tilde{J}$ be 2-forms with smooth coefficients in N and $M \setminus \gamma$ that are supported away from Σ and γ .*

Then the following are equivalent:

1. *On N , the 1-forms \tilde{E} and \tilde{H} satisfy Maxwell’s equations with SH boundary conditions in the sense of Definition 1.*
2. *On M , the forms E and H can be extended on M so that they are classical solutions E and H of Maxwell’s equations,*

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times E &= ik\mu H, \quad \text{in } M, \\ \nabla \times H &= -ik\varepsilon E + J, \quad \text{in } M. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Assume first that E and H satisfy Maxwell’s equations on M with source J supported away from γ . Then E and H are C^∞ smooth near γ .

Using $F^{-1} : N \rightarrow M \setminus \gamma$ we define the 1-forms \tilde{E}, \tilde{H} and 2-form \tilde{J} on N by $\tilde{E} = (F^{-1})^* E$, $\tilde{H} = (F^{-1})^* H$, and $\tilde{J} = (F^{-1})^* J$. These fields satisfy Maxwell’s equations in N ,

$$\nabla \times \tilde{E} = ik\tilde{\mu}(x)\tilde{H}, \quad \nabla \times \tilde{H} = -ik\tilde{\varepsilon}(x)\tilde{E} + \tilde{J} \quad \text{in } N. \quad (12)$$

Now, writing $E = E_j(x) dx^j$ on M near γ , we see using the transformation rule for differential 1-forms that the form $\tilde{E} = (F^{-1})^* E$ is in local coordinates

$$\tilde{E} = \tilde{E}_j(\tilde{x}) d\tilde{x}^j, \quad \tilde{E}_j(\tilde{x}) = (DF^{-1})_j^k(\tilde{x}) E_k(F^{-1}(\tilde{x})), \quad \tilde{x} \in N. \quad (13)$$

Using the smoothness of E and H near γ on M and formulae (7), we see that \tilde{E}, \tilde{H} are forms on N with $L_{\text{loc}}^1(\overline{N}, dV_0)$ coefficients. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varepsilon}(x)\tilde{E}(x) &= \det(DF(y))^{-1} DF(y)\varepsilon(y) DF(y)^t (DF(y)^t)^{-1} E(y) \\ &= \det(DF(y))^{-1} DF(y)\varepsilon(y) E(y) \end{aligned}$$

where $x \in N$, $y = F^{-1}(x) \in M \setminus \gamma$. Formula (9) shows that $\tilde{D} = \tilde{\varepsilon}\tilde{E}$, and $\tilde{B} = \tilde{\mu}\tilde{H}$ are 2-forms on N with $L^1_{\text{loc}}(\overline{N}, dV_0)$ coefficients.

Let $\Sigma(t) \subset \overline{N}$ be the t -neighbourhood of Σ in the \tilde{g} -metric. Note that for small $t > 0$ the set $\Sigma(t)$ is the Euclidian $(t/2)$ -neighborhood of ∂K . Denote by ν be the unit exterior Euclidian normal vector of $\partial\Sigma(t)$ and the Euclidian inner product by $(\tilde{\eta}, \tilde{E})_{g^e} = \tilde{\eta} \cdot \tilde{E}$.

Formulas (7) and (13) imply that the angular components satisfy

$$|\tilde{\eta} \cdot \tilde{E}| \leq Ct, \quad x \in \partial\Sigma(t),$$

and

$$|\tilde{\zeta} \cdot \tilde{E}| \leq C, \quad x \in \partial\Sigma(t)$$

with some $C > 0$. Thus denoting by dS the Euclidian surface area on $\partial\Sigma(t)$, Stokes' formula, formula (12), and the identity $\nu \times \tilde{\xi} = \pm\tilde{\eta}$ yield

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_N ((\nabla \times \tilde{h}) \cdot \tilde{E} - ik\tilde{h} \cdot \tilde{\mu}\tilde{H}) dV_0(x) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{N \setminus \Sigma(t)} ((\nabla \times \tilde{h}) \cdot \tilde{E} - ik\tilde{h} \cdot \tilde{\mu}\tilde{H}) dV_0(x) \\ &= - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{\partial\Sigma(t)} (\nu \times \tilde{E}) \cdot \tilde{h} dS(x) \\ &= - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{\partial\Sigma(t)} \nu \times ((\tilde{\eta} \cdot \tilde{E})\tilde{\eta} + (\tilde{\zeta} \cdot \tilde{E})\tilde{\zeta}) \cdot \tilde{h} dS(x) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for a test function \tilde{h} satisfying formula (11).

Similar analysis for \tilde{H} shows that 1-forms \tilde{E} and \tilde{H} satisfy Maxwell's equations with SH boundary conditions in the sense of Definition 1.

Next, assume that \tilde{E} and \tilde{H} form a finite energy solution of Maxwell's equations on (N, g) with a source \tilde{J} supported away from Σ , implying in particular that

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}^{jk} \tilde{E}_j \overline{\tilde{E}_k} \in L^1(W, dV_0), \quad \tilde{\mu}^{jk} \tilde{H}_j \overline{\tilde{H}_k} \in L^1(W, dV_0)$$

where $W = F(U \setminus \gamma) \subset N$ and $U \subset M$ is a relatively compact open neighbourhood of γ , $\text{supp}(\tilde{J}) \cap W = \emptyset$. Define $E = F^*\tilde{E}$, $H = F^*\tilde{H}$, and $J = F^*\tilde{J}$ on $M \setminus \gamma$. Therefore we conclude that

$$\nabla \times E = ik\mu(x)H, \quad \nabla \times H = -ik\varepsilon(x)E + J, \quad \text{in } M \setminus \gamma$$

and

$$\varepsilon^{jk} E_j \overline{E_k} \in L^1(U \setminus \gamma, dV_g), \quad \mu^{jk} H_j \overline{H_k} \in L^1(U \setminus \gamma, dV_g).$$

As representations of ε and μ , in local coordinates of M , are matrices that are bounded from above and below, these imply that

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \times E &\in L^2(U \setminus \gamma, dV_g), \quad \nabla \times H \in L^2(U \setminus \gamma, dV_g), \\ \nabla \cdot (\varepsilon E) &= 0, \quad \nabla \cdot (\mu H) = 0, \quad \text{in } U \setminus \gamma. \end{aligned}$$

Let $E^e, H^e \in L^2(U, dV_g)$ be measurable extensions of E and H to γ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \times E^e - ik\mu(x)H^e &= 0, & \text{in } U \setminus \gamma, \\ \nabla \times E^e - ik\mu(x)H^e &\in H^{-1}(U, dV_g), \\ \nabla \times H^e + ik\varepsilon(x)E^e &= 0, & \text{in } U \setminus \gamma, \\ \nabla \times H^e + ik\varepsilon(x)E^e &\in H^{-1}(U, dV_g),\end{aligned}$$

where $H^{-1}(U, dV_g)$ is the Sobolev space with smoothness (-1) on (U, g) . Since γ is a subset with (Hausdorff) dimension 1 of the 3-dimensional domain U , it has zero capacitance. Thus, the Lipschitz functions on U that vanish on γ are dense in $H^1(U)$, see [12]. Therefore, there are no non-zero distributions in $H^{-1}(U)$ supported on γ . Hence we see that

$$\nabla \times E^e - ik\mu(x)H^e = 0, \quad \nabla \times H^e + ik\varepsilon(x)E^e = 0 \quad \text{in } U.$$

This also implies that

$$\nabla \cdot (\varepsilon E^e) = 0, \quad \nabla \cdot (\mu H^e) = 0 \quad \text{in } U,$$

which, by elliptic regularity, imply that E^e and H^e are C^∞ smooth in U .

In summary, E and H have unique continuous extensions to γ , and the extensions are classical solutions to Maxwell's equations. \square

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