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Title: Tensor Train Acceleration of Volume Integral Equation Solution

Level: Intermediate (graduate level background in electromagnetic theory and numerical methods)

Abstract: Method of Moments (MoM) discretization of the Integral Equations (IEs) of electromagnetics results in dense matrix equation. Such matrix equations require prohibitively large computational resources when the number of basis functions used in discretization reaches hundreds of thousands and higher. Tensor Train (TT) decomposition of the MoM dense matrix equations has been recently proposed [1] to drastically reduce both the memory use for matrix storage and the CPU time required for its multiplication with a vector. Toeplitz matrix resulting from MoM discretization of Volume Integral Equation (VIE) can be represented as a multi-dimensional matrix and stored as a product of smaller dimensional matrices (tensors). Such product of smaller dimensional matrices, also known as the tensor train (TT), can reduce the matrix storage and matrix-vector multiplication complexities. In order to accelerate MoM solution of practical scattering problems we recently developed Conjugate-Gradient-Tensor-Train (CG-TT) [2] and Precorrected-Tensor-Train (P-TT) [3] algorithms.

The proposed CG-TT method works analogously with the well-established CG-FFT method [4]. Specifically, the VIE is MoM discretized with regular mesh of square elements and scattered field is cast into the form to discrete convolution. The Toeplitz matrix of the convolution is stored in TT-format. It is then used for fast evaluation of the pertinent matrix-vector products in the CG or GMRES iterative matrix solvers. To enable flexible meshing of the object with unstructured elements such as triangles, tetrahedrons, and others we developed the pre-corrected version of the algorithm. The latter projects onto a regular grid the basis and testing functions of the MoM defined on the unstructured elements similarly with the Precorrected-FFT algorithm [5]. The point-to-point interactions forming the Toeplitz matrix are subsequently stored in the TT format, hence, enabling drastic reduction of memory and CPU time required for evaluation of the matrix-vector products during the iterative matrix solution.

Various numerical examples demonstrating performance of the recently developed CG-TT and P-TT algorithms will be presented in the lecture.

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