

Analysis of Methods for the Maxwell-Random Lorentz Model

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Maxwell's Equations

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} + \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}, \text{ in } (0, T) \times \mathcal{D} \quad (\text{Faraday})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J} - \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{0}, \text{ in } (0, T) \times \mathcal{D} \quad (\text{Ampere})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0, \text{ in } (0, T) \times \mathcal{D} \quad (\text{Poisson/Gauss})$$

$$\mathbf{E}(0, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{E}_0; \mathbf{H}(0, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{H}_0, \text{ in } \mathcal{D} \quad (\text{Initial})$$

$$\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{0}, \text{ on } (0, T) \times \partial \mathcal{D} \quad (\text{Boundary})$$

$\mathbf{E} =$ Electric field vector

$\mathbf{D} =$ Electric flux density

$\mathbf{H} =$ Magnetic field vector

$\mathbf{B} =$ Magnetic flux density

$\mathbf{J} =$ Current density

$\mathbf{n} =$ Unit outward normal to $\partial \mathcal{D}$

Constitutive Laws

Maxwell's equations are completed by constitutive laws that describe the response of the medium to the electromagnetic field.

$$\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J}_s$$

\mathbf{P} = Polarization ϵ = Electric permittivity

\mathbf{M} = Magnetization μ = Magnetic permeability

\mathbf{J}_s = Source Current σ = Electric Conductivity

where $\epsilon = \epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty$ and $\mu = \mu_0 \mu_r$.

Lorentz Model

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Unfortunately many materials are not well modeled by a simple Lorentz polarization, and practitioners resort to linear combinations of Lorentz models, called a **multi-pole Lorentz model**.

Random Polarization

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The **random Lorentz model** is

$$\ddot{\mathcal{P}} + 2\nu\dot{\mathcal{P}} + \omega_0^2\mathcal{P} = \epsilon_0\omega_p^2E$$

where we let the parameter ω_0^2 be a random variable with probability distribution F on the interval (a, b) . The **macroscopic polarization** is then taken to be the expected value of the random polarization,

$$P(t, z) = \int_a^b \mathcal{P}(t, z; \omega_0^2) dF(\omega_0^2).$$

Maxwell-Random Lorentz system

In a polydisperse Lorentz material, we have

$$\mu_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} = -\nabla \times \mathbf{E} \quad (1a)$$

$$\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial t} \quad (1b)$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{P}} + 2\nu \dot{\mathbf{P}} + \omega_0^2 \mathbf{P} = \epsilon_0 \omega_p^2 \mathbf{E} \quad (1c)$$

with

$$\mathbf{P}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_a^b \mathcal{P}(t, \mathbf{x}; \omega_0^2) f(\omega_0^2) d\omega_0^2.$$

2D Maxwell-Random Lorentz Transverse Electric (TE) curl equations

For simplicity in exposition and to facilitate analysis, we reduce the Maxwell-Random Lorentz model to two spatial dimensions (we make the assumption that fields do not exhibit variation in the z direction).

$$\mu_0 \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} = -\text{curl } \mathbf{E}, \quad (2a)$$

$$\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} = \text{curl } H - \mathbf{J}, \quad (2b)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial t} = \mathcal{J} \quad (2c)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial t} = -2\nu \mathcal{J} - \omega_0^2 \mathcal{P} + \epsilon_0 \omega_p^2 \mathbf{E} \quad (2d)$$

where $\mathbf{E} = (E_x, E_y)^T$, $\mathbf{J} = (J_x, J_y)^T$, $\mathcal{J} = (\mathcal{J}_x, \mathcal{J}_y)^T$, $\mathcal{P} = (\mathcal{P}_x, \mathcal{P}_y)^T$ and $H = H_z$.

Note $\text{curl } \mathbf{U} = \frac{\partial U_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial U_x}{\partial y}$ and $\text{curl } V = \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial y}, -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \right)^T$.

We introduce the random Hilbert space $V_F = (L^2(\Omega) \otimes L^2(\mathcal{D}))^2$ equipped with an inner product and norm as follows

$$(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_F = \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_2],$$

$$\|\mathbf{u}\|_F^2 = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2].$$

The weak formulation of the **2D Maxwell-Random Lorentz TE** system is

$$\left(\mu_0 \frac{\partial H}{\partial t}, \mathbf{v} \right)_2 = (-\text{curl } \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{v})_2 \quad (3a)$$

$$\left(\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}, \mathbf{u} \right)_2 = (\text{curl } H, \mathbf{u})_2 - (\mathbf{J}, \mathbf{u})_2 \quad (3b)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial t}, \mathbf{q} \right)_F = (\mathcal{J}, \mathbf{q})_F \quad (3c)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial t}, \mathbf{w} \right)_F = (-2\nu \mathcal{J}, \mathbf{w})_F + (-\omega_0^2 \mathcal{P}, \mathbf{w})_F + (\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2 \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{w})_F. \quad (3d)$$

for $v \in L^2(\mathcal{D})$, $\mathbf{u} \in H_0(\text{curl}, \mathcal{D})^2$, and $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{w} \in V_F$.

Theorem (Stability of Maxwell-Random Lorentz)

Let $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ and suppose that $\mathbf{E} \in C(0, T; H_0(\text{curl}, \mathcal{D})) \cap C^1(0, T; (L^2(\mathcal{D}))^2)$, $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{J} \in C^1(0, T; (L^2(\Omega) \otimes L^2(\mathcal{D}))^2)$, and $H(t) \in C^1(0, T; L^2(\mathcal{D}))$ are solutions of the weak formulation for the Maxwell-Random Lorentz system along with PEC boundary conditions. Then the system exhibits energy decay

$$\mathcal{E}(t) \leq \mathcal{E}(0) \quad \forall t \geq 0,$$

where the energy $\mathcal{E}(t)$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{E}(t)^2 = \left\| \sqrt{\mu_0} H(t) \right\|_2^2 + \left\| \sqrt{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty} \mathbf{E}(t) \right\|_2^2 + \left\| \sqrt{\frac{\omega_0^2}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2}} \mathcal{P}(t) \right\|_F^2 + \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2}} \mathcal{J}(t) \right\|_F^2$$

where $\|u\|_F^2 = \mathbb{E}[\|u\|_2^2]$ and $\mathcal{J} := \frac{\partial \mathcal{P}}{\partial t}$.

Proof: (for 2D)

By choosing $\nu = H$, $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{E}$, $\mathbf{q} = \mathcal{P}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \mathcal{J}$ in the weak form, and adding all equations into the time derivative of the definition of \mathcal{E}^2 , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d\mathcal{E}^2(t)}{dt} &= - \left(\operatorname{curl} \mathbf{E}, H \right)_2 + \left(H, \operatorname{curl} \mathbf{E} \right)_2 - \left(\mathbf{J}, \mathbf{E} \right)_2 + \left(\frac{\omega_0^2}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2} \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{P} \right)_F \\ &\quad - \left(\frac{2\nu}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2} \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{J} \right)_F - \left(\frac{\omega_0^2}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2} \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{J} \right)_F + \left(\mathbf{E}, \mathcal{J} \right)_F \\ &= - \left\| \sqrt{\frac{2\nu}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2}} \mathcal{J} \right\|_F^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{E}(t)}{dt} = \frac{-1}{\mathcal{E}(t)} \left\| \sqrt{\frac{2\nu}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2}} \mathcal{J} \right\|_F^2 \leq 0.$$



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$$\mathcal{P}(\xi, t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \alpha_i(t) \phi_i(\xi) \rightarrow \ddot{\mathcal{P}} + 2\nu\dot{\mathcal{P}} + (r\xi + m)\mathcal{P} = \epsilon_0\omega_p^2 E.$$

Utilizing the Triple Recursion Relation for orthogonal polynomials:

$$\xi\phi_n(\xi) = a_n\phi_{n+1}(\xi) + b_n\phi_n(\xi) + c_n\phi_{n-1}(\xi),$$

the differential equation becomes

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} [\ddot{\alpha}_i(t) + 2\nu\dot{\alpha}_i(t) + m\alpha_i(t)] \phi_i + r\alpha_i(t) [a_i\phi_{i+1} + b_i\phi_i + c_i\phi_{i-1}] = \epsilon_0\omega_p^2 E\phi_0.$$

Galerkin Projection

We apply a Galerkin Projection onto the space of polynomials of degree at most p to get:

$$\ddot{\vec{\alpha}} + 2\nu\dot{\vec{\alpha}} + A\vec{\alpha} = \vec{f}$$

where $\vec{f} = \hat{e}_1 \epsilon_0 \omega_p^2 E$ and

$$A = rM + ml, \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} b_0 & c_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ a_0 & b_1 & c_2 & & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & & a_{p-2} & b_{b-1} & c_p \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & a_{p-1} & b_p \end{pmatrix}.$$

Or we can write as a first order system:

$$\dot{\vec{\alpha}} = \vec{\beta}$$

$$\dot{\vec{\beta}} = -A\vec{\alpha} - 2\nu\vec{\beta} + \vec{f}.$$

Finite Difference Time Domain (FDTD)

We now choose a space-time discretization of the Maxwell-PC Lorentz model. Note that any scheme can be used, independently of the spectral approach in random space employed here.

The Yee Scheme (FDTD)

- This gives an explicit second order accurate scheme in time and space.
- It is conditionally stable with the CFL condition

$$\frac{c_{\infty} \Delta t}{h} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}}$$

where $c_{\infty} = 1/\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_{\infty}}$ is the fastest wave speed in the medium, d is the spatial dimension, and h is the (uniform) spatial step.

- The Yee scheme can exhibit **numerical dispersion and dissipation**.

We stagger three discrete meshes in the x and y directions and two discrete meshes in time:

$$\tau_h^{E_x} := \left\{ \left(x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2}}, y_j \right) \mid 0 \leq \ell \leq L-1, 0 \leq j \leq J \right\}$$

$$\tau_h^{E_y} := \left\{ \left(x_\ell, y_{j+\frac{1}{2}} \right) \mid 0 \leq \ell \leq L, 0 \leq j \leq J-1 \right\}$$

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$$\tau_t^E := \{ (t^n) \mid 0 \leq n \leq N \}$$

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Let U be one of the field variables: H , E_x , E_y , $\vec{\alpha}_x$, $\vec{\alpha}_y$, $\vec{\beta}_x$, $\vec{\beta}_y$. Let (x_i, y_j) be a node on any discrete spatial mesh, and γ be either n or $n + \frac{1}{2}$ with $\gamma \leq N$.

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and the centered spatial difference operators in the x and y direction, respectively as

$$\delta_x U_{i,j}^\gamma := \frac{U_{i+\frac{1}{2},j}^\gamma - U_{i-\frac{1}{2},j}^\gamma}{\Delta x}, \quad \delta_y U_{i,j}^\gamma := \frac{U_{i,j+\frac{1}{2}}^\gamma - U_{i,j-\frac{1}{2}}^\gamma}{\Delta y}. \quad (6)$$

The Yee Scheme applied to the Maxwell-PC Lorentz yields

$$\mu_0 \delta_t H_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j+\frac{1}{2}}^n = \left(\delta_y E_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j+\frac{1}{2}}}^n - \delta_x E_{y_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j+\frac{1}{2}}}^n \right) \quad (7a)$$

$$\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty \delta_t E_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \delta_y H_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - \overline{\beta}_{0,x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \quad (7b)$$

$$\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty \delta_t E_{y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = -\delta_x H_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} - \overline{\beta}_{0,y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \quad (7c)$$

$$\delta_t \overline{\alpha}_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \overline{\beta}_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \quad (7d)$$

$$\delta_t \overline{\alpha}_{y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \overline{\beta}_{y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \quad (7e)$$

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Staggered L^2 normed spaces

Next, we define the L^2 normed spaces

$$\mathbb{V}_E := \left\{ \mathbf{F} : \tau_h^{E_x} \times \tau_h^{E_y} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \mathbf{F} = (F_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}}, F_{y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}})^T, \|\mathbf{F}\|_E < \infty \right\} \quad (8)$$

$$\mathbb{V}_H := \left\{ U : \tau_h^H \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid U = (U_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j+\frac{1}{2}}), \|U\|_H < \infty \right\} \quad (9)$$

with the following discrete norms and inner products

$$\|\mathbf{F}\|_E^2 = \Delta x \Delta y \sum_{\ell=0}^{L-1} \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \left(|F_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}}|^2 + |F_{y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}}|^2 \right), \forall \mathbf{F} \in \mathbb{V}_E \quad (10)$$

$$(\mathbf{F}, \mathbf{G})_E = \Delta x \Delta y \sum_{\ell=0}^{L-1} \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} \left(F_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}} G_{x_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j}} + F_{y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}} G_{y_{\ell,j+\frac{1}{2}}} \right), \forall \mathbf{F}, \mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{V}_E \quad (11)$$

$$\|U\|_H^2 = \Delta x \Delta y \sum_{\ell=0}^{L-1} \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} |U_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j+\frac{1}{2}}|^2, \forall U \in \mathbb{V}_H \quad (12)$$

$$(U, V)_H = \Delta x \Delta y \sum_{\ell=0}^{L-1} \sum_{j=0}^{J-1} U_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j+\frac{1}{2}} V_{\ell+\frac{1}{2},j+\frac{1}{2}}, \forall U, V \in \mathbb{V}_H. \quad (13)$$

We define a space and inner product for the random polarization in vector notation, since $\vec{\alpha}$ and $\vec{\beta}$ are now $2 \times p + 1$ matrices:

$$\mathbb{V}_\alpha := \left\{ \vec{\alpha} : \tau_h^{E_x} \times \tau_h^{E_y} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^{p+1} \mid \vec{\alpha} = [\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_p], \alpha_k \in \mathbb{V}_E, \|\vec{\alpha}\|_\alpha < \infty \right\}$$

where the discrete L^2 grid norm and inner product are defined as

$$\|\vec{\alpha}\|_\alpha^2 = \sum_{k=0}^p \|\alpha_k\|_E^2, \quad \forall \vec{\alpha} \in \mathbb{V}_\alpha$$

$$(\vec{\alpha}, \vec{\beta})_\alpha = \sum_{k=0}^p (\alpha_k, \beta_k)_E, \quad \forall \vec{\alpha}, \vec{\beta} \in \mathbb{V}_\alpha.$$

We choose both spatial steps to be uniform and equal ($\Delta x = \Delta y = h$), and require that the usual CFL condition for two dimensions holds:

$$\sqrt{2}c_\infty \Delta t \leq h. \tag{14}$$

Theorem (Energy Decay for Maxwell-PC Lorentz-FDTD)

If the stability condition (14) is satisfied, then the Yee scheme for the 2D TE mode Maxwell-PC Lorentz system satisfies the discrete identity

$$\delta_t \mathcal{E}_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{-1}{\bar{\mathcal{E}}_h^{n+\frac{1}{2}}} \left\| \sqrt{\frac{2\nu}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2}} \bar{\beta}^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_\alpha^2 \quad (15)$$

for all n where

$$\mathcal{E}_h^n = \left(\mu_0 (H^{n+\frac{1}{2}}, H^{n-\frac{1}{2}})_H + \|\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \epsilon_\infty} \mathbf{E}^n\|_E^2 + \left\| \frac{A^{1/2}}{\sqrt{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2}} \bar{\alpha}^n \right\|_\alpha^2 + \left\| \sqrt{\frac{1}{\epsilon_0 \omega_p^2}} \bar{\beta}^n \right\|_\alpha^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad (16)$$

defines a discrete energy.

In the above, A positive definite iff $r < m$, and assumed to have been symmetrized.

Note that $\|\bar{\alpha}\|_\alpha^2 \approx \|\mathbb{E}[\mathcal{P}]\|_2^2 + \|\text{StdDev}(\mathcal{P})\|_2^2 = \mathbb{E}[\|\mathcal{P}\|_2^2] = \|\mathcal{P}\|_F^2$ so that this is a natural extension of the Maxwell-Random Lorentz energy.

Assuming a solution to the Maxwell-Random Lorentz system of the form $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_0 \exp(i(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}))$, the following relation must hold.

Theorem

The *dispersion relation* for the Maxwell-Random Lorentz system is given by

$$\frac{\omega^2}{c^2} \epsilon(\omega) = k^2$$

where the *expected complex permittivity* is given by

$$\epsilon(\omega) = \epsilon_\infty + \omega_p^2 \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - i2\nu\omega} \right].$$

Where $\mathbf{k} = [k_x, k_y, k_z]^T$ is the wave vector, $k^2 = k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2$ is the wavenumber (squared) and $c = 1/\sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0}$ is the speed of light.

Theorem

The *discrete dispersion relation* for the Maxwell-PC FDTD Lorentz scheme is given by

$$\frac{\omega_{\Delta}^2}{c^2} \epsilon_{\Delta}(\omega) = k_{\Delta}^2$$

where the *discrete expected complex permittivity* is given by

$$\epsilon_{\Delta}(\omega) := \epsilon_{\infty} + \omega_{p,\Delta}^2 \hat{e}_1^T (A_{\Delta} - \omega_{\Delta}^2 I - i2\nu_{\Delta}\omega_{\Delta} I)^{-1} \hat{e}_1$$

and the *discrete wavenumber* is given by

$$k_{\Delta} := \sqrt{x_{\Delta}^2 + y_{\Delta}^2},$$

with

$$x_{\Delta} := \frac{2}{\Delta x} \sin\left(\frac{k_{x,\Delta}\Delta x}{2}\right), \quad y_{\Delta} := \frac{2}{\Delta y} \sin\left(\frac{k_{y,\Delta}\Delta y}{2}\right) \dots$$

Theorem (Continued)

and the *discrete PC matrix* and *discrete damping* are given by

$$A_{\Delta} := \cos^2(\omega\Delta t/2)A, \quad \nu_{\Delta} := \cos\left(\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2}\right)\nu.$$

Similarly,

$$\omega_{\Delta} := \frac{2}{\Delta t} \sin\left(\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2}\right), \quad \omega_{p,\Delta} := \cos\left(\frac{\omega\Delta t}{2}\right)\omega_p.$$

Dispersion Error

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- We wish to examine the phase error as a function of ω in the range around $\bar{\omega}_0$. Δt is determined by $h := \bar{\omega}_0 \Delta t / (2\pi)$, while $\Delta x = \Delta y$ are determined by the CFL condition.
- We assume a uniform distribution and the following parameters **Lorentz material**:

$$\epsilon_{\infty} = 1, \quad \epsilon_s = 2.25, \quad \nu = 2.8 \times 10^{15} \text{ 1/sec}, \quad \bar{\omega}_0 = 4 \times 10^{16} \text{ rad/sec}.$$

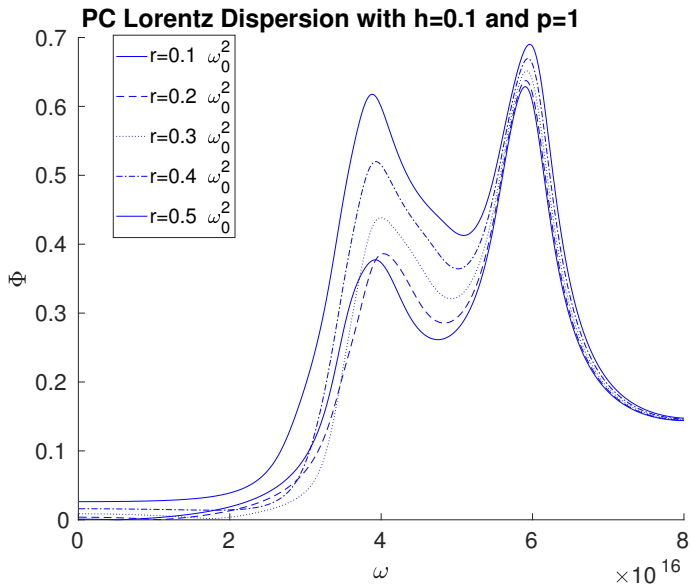


Figure: Plots of phase error at $\theta = 0$.

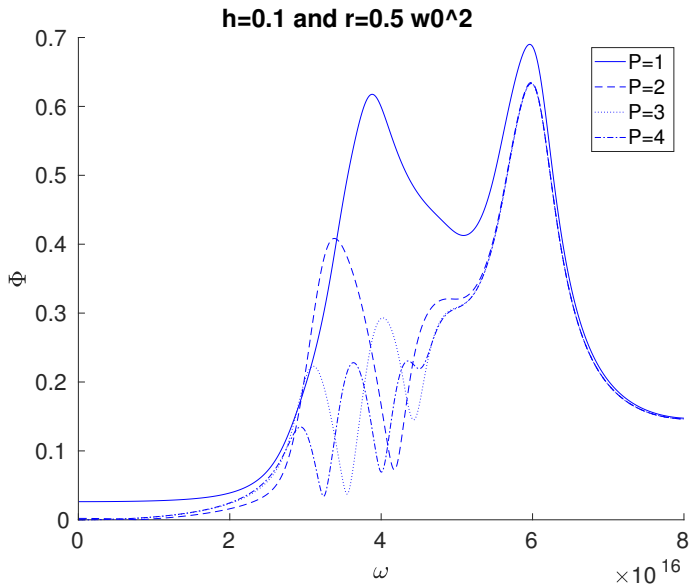


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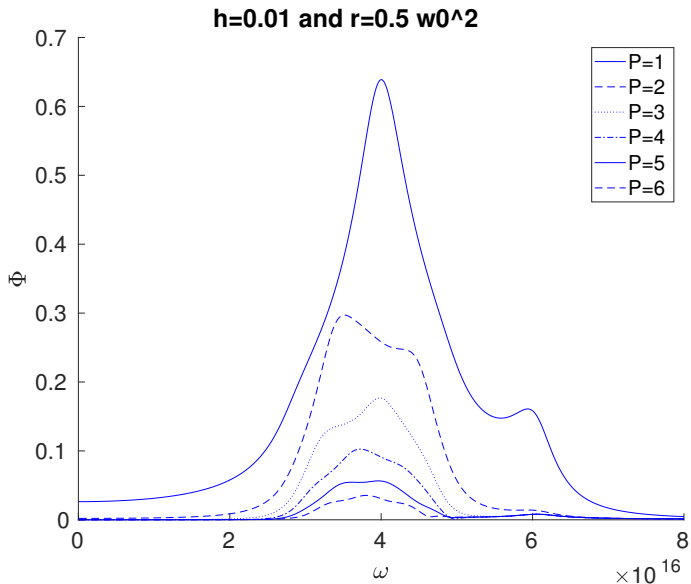






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