# High-Order Finite Element for the resolution of time-harmonic Maxwell equations 

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Use of Arpack++ to solve this eigenvalue system

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$\psi_{i}^{G}, \psi_{i}^{G L}$ lagrangian functions linked with respectively Gauss and Gauss-Lobatto points.

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- Mass matrix block-diagonal (mass-lumping)
- Gain in storage and time for the matrix-vector product


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## Eigenvalues with the second family



Eigenvalues with a non-regular mesh. Analytical eigenvalues are symbolized by red lines.

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- Spurious eigenvalues and modes are dependent of the mesh.
- Nedelec's second family is NOT spectrally correct on quadrilaterals
- Nedelec's second family seems spectrally correct on triangles.


## Consequency of spurious modes

Gaussian source at the center of the square, and $\omega^{2}=38.00$

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Solution with Q5 for the first (left) and second family (right)

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Let us remind that

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\{H\} & =\frac{1}{2}\left(H_{i}+H_{j}\right)  \tag{5}\\
{[\vec{E}] } & =\left(\vec{E}_{i}-\vec{E}_{j}\right)
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## Eigenvectors with DG on quadrilaterals



Eigenvalues, only one spurious mode.

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- Use of curved elements


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- Order 3 of convergence for first family, order 4 for DG method


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- First family on quadrilaterals is the most efficient
- No irregular convergence for the second family (use of a quasi-regular mesh)


## Direct solver

Error level of 0.1 dB

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| Finite element | Number of dof | Memory used to factorize |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| First Family | 2300 | 3 Mo |
| Second Family | 21420 | 35 Mo |
| DG Lobatto | 14250 | 15 Mo |

## Direct solver

Error level of 0.1 dB


Mesh used for the first family

## Direct solver

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Mesh used for Discontinuous Galerkin method

## Iterative solver

COCG (conjugate gradient for complex symmetric matrices) without preconditioning ( $\varepsilon=1 e-6$ )

| Finite element | Number of iterations | Time |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| First Family | 4100 | 7 s |
| Second Family | $>100000$ | - |
| DG Lobatto | $>100000$ | - |

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Factorization of matrices $A_{i}$ with a direct solver (MUMPS)

## Iterative solver with preconditioner

With 8 subdomains, we obtain :

| Finite element | Number of iterations | Time |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| First Family | 148 | $1 s$ |
| Second Family | 3200 | $182 s$ |
| DG Lobatto | 37 | $1 s$ |

## Scattering by a sphere

Use of first family on hexahedrals, with Silver-Muller condition and curved elements.


Diffracted field (real part of $E_{x}$ ) on three planes

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Results for COCG without preconditioning ( $\varepsilon=1 e-6$ )

| Order | Number dof | Memory used | Number iterations | Time |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5 | 120000 | 30 Mo | 6800 | 940 s |

Use of a specific matrix-vector product in order to have a low storage (Gain of time too).

