

## Regularisation in 3D BIE for Anisotropic Elastodynamic Crack Problems

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $\Gamma$  be a smooth piece of curved surface in  $R^3$ , having a smooth edge  $\partial\Gamma$ . The elastodynamic crack problem is formulated as follows: Find functions  $u_i(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\tau_{ij}(\mathbf{x})$  which satisfy the field equations

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} \tau_{ij,j} + \rho\omega^2 u_i = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) = D_{ijkl}\tau_{kl} \end{cases} \text{ in } R^3 \setminus \bar{\Gamma}$$

boundary condition

$$\tau_{ij}^{\pm} n_j = t_i \quad \text{on } \Gamma$$

regularity condition

$$[u_i] = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Gamma$$

and the radiation condition, where  $D_{ijkl}$  is a positive constant tensor which satisfies

$$D_{ijkl} = D_{jikl} = D_{klij}$$

$\rho$  and  $\omega$  are positive constants, and  $t_i$  is a function given on  $\Gamma$ . Also,  $n_i$  stands for the unit normal vector to  $\Gamma$ , superposed + and -, respectively, indicate the limit from the side of  $\Gamma$  into which  $\mathbf{n}$  points and the limit from the other side,  $_{,i} = \partial/\partial x_i$ , and

$$[u_i] = u_i^+ - u_i^-.$$

In physical terms  $u_i, \tau_{ij}, \rho, \omega$  and  $\mathbf{D}$  represent the displacement, stress, density, frequency and elastic compliance, respectively.

The double layer potential approach for this problem uses an ‘integral’ equation

$$t_i(\mathbf{x}) = \text{p.f.} \int_{\Gamma} \Sigma_{ijkl}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) n_j(\mathbf{x}) n_l(\mathbf{y}) f_k(\mathbf{y}) dS_y, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma$$

where  $f_i (= [u_i])$  is the unknown vector function on  $\Gamma$ , and  $\Sigma$  is a kernel function which satisfies

$$(2) \quad \Sigma_{ikab,kj}(\mathbf{x}) + \Sigma_{jkab,ki}(\mathbf{x}) + 2\rho\omega^2 D_{ijkl} \Sigma_{klab}(\mathbf{x}) = -\rho\omega^2 (\delta_{ia}\delta_{jb} + \delta_{ib}\delta_{ja})\delta(\mathbf{x})$$

with Dirac’s delta  $\delta(\mathbf{x})$ . With  $\mathbf{f}$ , one computes  $\tau_{ij}$  by

$$\tau_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\Gamma} \Sigma_{ijkl}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) n_k(\mathbf{x}) f_l(\mathbf{y}) dS_y$$

and  $u_i$  by using (1).

A difficulty inherent to the numerical analysis based on this approach is the strong singularity of  $\Sigma(\mathbf{x})$ , which is of the order of  $|\mathbf{x}|^{-3}$  as  $|\mathbf{x}| \rightarrow 0$ . This singularity is usually removed with the help of the “regularisation”, or integration by parts in other words[1][2]. In [1] Nishimura & Kobayashi have shown that this regularisation is carried out in an automatic manner, once one finds a decomposition of the form

$$(3) \quad \Sigma_{ijkl}(\mathbf{x}) = (\text{curl})_i (\text{curl})_j (\text{curl})_k (\text{curl})_l \Phi_{\dots}(\mathbf{x}) + \Psi_{ijkl}(\mathbf{x})$$

where  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  are kernels which behave essentially as  $O(|\mathbf{x}|)$  and  $O(|\mathbf{x}|^{-1})$  as  $|\mathbf{x}| \rightarrow 0$ , respectively.  $\Phi$  is called the stress function for  $\Sigma$ .

In this note we shall derive explicit formulae for  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  in the general case of anisotropic elastodynamics. Also, we shall discuss the relation between Nédélec’s regularisation technique and the present formulation.

## 2. Notation and Preliminaries

### (a) Fundamental Solution

We now introduce the following notation:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{11} &\rightarrow T_1 & \tau_{22} &\rightarrow T_2 & \tau_{33} &\rightarrow T_3 \\ \tau_{23} &\rightarrow T_4 & \tau_{31} &\rightarrow T_5 & \tau_{12} &\rightarrow T_6 \\ D_{1111} &\rightarrow D_{11} & D_{1122} &\rightarrow D_{12} & 2D_{2311} &\rightarrow D_{41} & 2D_{3111} &\rightarrow D_{51} \\ 4D_{2323} &\rightarrow D_{44} & \dots & & 4D_{1212} &\rightarrow D_{66} & & \text{etc.} \\ \Sigma_{1111} &\rightarrow \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{1122} &\rightarrow \Sigma_{12} & \Sigma_{2311} &\rightarrow \Sigma_{41} & \Sigma_{3111} &\rightarrow \Sigma_{51} \\ \Sigma_{2323} &\rightarrow \Sigma_{44} & \dots & & \Sigma_{1212} &\rightarrow \Sigma_{66} & & \text{etc.} \end{aligned}$$

With this convention (2) is easily seen to transform into

$$(4) \quad \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \partial_1^2 & & & & \partial_1 \partial_3 & \partial_1 \partial_2 \\ & \partial_2^2 & & \partial_2 \partial_3 & & \partial_1 \partial_2 \\ & & \partial_3^2 & \partial_2 \partial_3 & \partial_1 \partial_3 & \\ & & \partial_2 \partial_3 & \partial_2^2 + \partial_3^2 & \partial_1 \partial_2 & \partial_1 \partial_3 \\ \partial_1 \partial_3 & & \partial_1 \partial_3 & \partial_1 \partial_2 & \partial_1^2 + \partial_3^2 & \partial_2 \partial_3 \\ \partial_1 \partial_2 & \partial_1 \partial_2 & & \partial_1 \partial_3 & \partial_2 \partial_3 & \partial_1^2 + \partial_2^2 \end{pmatrix} + \rho \omega^2 \mathbf{D} \right\} \Sigma = -\rho \omega^2 \mathbf{1} \delta.$$

The F.T. of (4) is written as

$$(\mathbf{K} - \rho \omega^2 \mathbf{D}) \hat{\Sigma} = \rho \omega^2 \mathbf{1},$$

where  $\hat{\cdot}$  indicates the F.T. with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  ( $\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \xi$ ) and  $\mathbf{K}$  is the matrix obtained by replacing  $\partial_i$  in the first matrix in (4) by the Fourier parameter  $\xi_i$ . Obviously one has

$$(5) \quad \hat{\Sigma} = (\mathbf{K} - \rho \omega^2 \mathbf{D})^{-1} \rho \omega^2 = \frac{\{\text{cof}(\mathbf{K} - \rho \omega^2 \mathbf{D})\}^T}{\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho \omega^2 \mathbf{D})} \rho \omega^2.$$

### (b) Some Matrices

In statics where  $\omega = 0$ ,  $\tau$  has a stress function representation given by

$$\tau_{ij} = e_{imk} e_{jnl} \xi_m \xi_n \phi_{kl},$$

where  $\phi$  is the stress function. This relation is transformed into

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \\ T_3 \\ T_4 \\ T_5 \\ T_6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_3^2 & \xi_2^2 & -2\xi_2\xi_3 & & & \\ \xi_3^2 & \xi_1^2 & & -2\xi_3\xi_1 & & \\ \xi_2^2 & \xi_1^2 & & & -2\xi_1\xi_2 & \\ -\xi_2\xi_3 & & -\xi_1^2 & \xi_1\xi_2 & \xi_1\xi_3 & \\ & -\xi_3\xi_1 & \xi_1\xi_2 & -\xi_2^2 & \xi_2\xi_3 & \\ & & -\xi_1\xi_2 & \xi_1\xi_3 & \xi_2\xi_3 & -\xi_3^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \\ \phi_4 \\ \phi_5 \\ \phi_6 \end{pmatrix},$$

namely,

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{1} \quad \mathbf{C})\phi$$

in the matrix form, where

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \xi_3^2 & \xi_2^2 & \\ \xi_3^2 & \xi_1^2 & \\ -\xi_2\xi_3 & & \\ & -\xi_3\xi_1 & \\ & & -\xi_1\xi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\xi_1^2}{\xi_2\xi_3} & -\frac{\xi_1}{\xi_3} & -\frac{\xi_1}{\xi_2} \\ -\frac{\xi_2}{\xi_3} & \frac{\xi_2^2}{\xi_1\xi_3} & -\frac{\xi_2}{\xi_1} \\ -\frac{\xi_3}{\xi_2} & -\frac{\xi_3}{\xi_1} & \frac{\xi_3^2}{\xi_1\xi_2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

A direct calculation shows that

$$(6) \quad \mathbf{K}\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}$$

holds. As a matter of fact,  $\mathbf{K}$  is of rank 3, and the 3 columns of  $\mathbf{B}$  span  $\ker \mathbf{K}$ .

We now introduce

$$(7) \quad \mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{A})^T,$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  is an arbitrary  $(6 \times 3)$  matrix s.t.

$$(8) \quad \det \mathbf{F} = 1.$$

We then have the following results:

$$(9) \bullet \quad \mathbf{K}_o := \mathbf{F}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{F}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{K}_o \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{K}}_o$  is a  $(3 \times 3)$  matrix.  $\bar{\mathbf{K}}_o$  satisfies

$$(10) \quad \det \bar{\mathbf{K}}_o = \frac{1}{\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2}.$$

Proof

We use (6) and (7) to have

$$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{K}\mathbf{F}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{K}\mathbf{A} \end{pmatrix},$$

which means  $\bar{\mathbf{K}}_o = \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{K}\mathbf{A}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{b}_i (i = 1 \sim 3)$  be a set of orthonormal base vectors for  $\ker \mathbf{K}$ . Also, let  $\mathbf{a}_i (i = 1 \sim 3)$  be such that  $(\mathbf{b}_i, \mathbf{a}_j)$  forms a system of orthonormal base vectors for  $R^6$ .

Then  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  are written as

$$\mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3)\bar{\mathbf{B}}, \quad \mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{a}_3)\bar{\mathbf{A}} + (\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3)\bar{\mathbf{B}}',$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{B}}, \bar{\mathbf{B}}'$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$  are  $(3 \times 3)$  matrices. Also, we have from (6)~(8)

$$\mathbf{K} = \sum_i \kappa_i \mathbf{a}_i \otimes \mathbf{a}_i, \quad 1 = \det \mathbf{F} = \left| \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{B}} & \bar{\mathbf{B}}' \\ \mathbf{0} & \bar{\mathbf{A}} \end{pmatrix} \right| = \det \bar{\mathbf{B}} \det \bar{\mathbf{A}},$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{K}\mathbf{A} = \bar{\mathbf{A}}^T \begin{pmatrix} \kappa_1 & & \\ & \kappa_2 & \\ & & \kappa_3 \end{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{A}},$$

which imply

$$\det \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{K}\mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{(\det \bar{\mathbf{B}})^2} \kappa_1 \kappa_2 \kappa_3.$$

This result shows that the value of  $\det \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{K}\mathbf{A}$  is independent of the choice of  $\mathbf{A}$ . Hence we may put

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{1} \\ (2\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2)^{1/3} \end{pmatrix},$$

for example. This choice gives

$$\det \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{A} = \frac{1}{\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2}. \quad \square$$

### 3. Computation of $\hat{\Sigma}$

We shall compute  $\Sigma$  in several steps.

(a) Computation of  $\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D})$

- $\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D}) = \sum_{i=1}^4 d_i (\rho\omega^2)^{i+2}$ , where  $d_i$  are polynomials of  $\xi$ .

#### Proof

It is clear from the definition that this determinant is a 6th order polynomial of  $\rho\omega^2$  whose coefficients are polynomials of  $\xi$ . Hence it is sufficient to show that the coefficients of the 0th  $\sim$  2nd powers of  $\rho\omega^2$  vanish. But one immediately shows this from the following calculation:

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D}) &= \det(\rho\omega^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}^T - \mathbf{K}_o) \\ &= \det \left( \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}^T - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \bar{\mathbf{K}}_o \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= (\rho\omega^2)^3 \det \left( \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}_{\downarrow 3, 1 \rightarrow 3}^T \right) \det \bar{\mathbf{K}}_o + O((\rho\omega^2)^4) \\ &= \frac{(\rho\omega^2)^3 \det(\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B})}{\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2} + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used (7)~(10). This calculation also shows

$$(11) \quad d_1 = \frac{\det(\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B})}{\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2}. \quad \square$$

- $d_1 \neq 0$ .

#### Proof

Suppose  $\det(\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B}) = 0$  (see (11)). This means that there exists a nonzero vector  $\mathbf{a}$  s.t.

$$\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{a} = 0.$$

But this implies  $\mathbf{B} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$  since  $\mathbf{D}$  is positive. Hence the definition of  $\mathbf{B}$  gives  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$ , which is a contradiction.  $\square$

Finally we note that  $d_i$  is a polynomial (of  $\xi$ ) of degree  $8 - 2i$ .

(b) Computation of  $\text{cof}(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D})$

$$(12) \bullet \text{cof}(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D})^T = \mathbf{F}^T \text{cof}(\mathbf{K}_o - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}^T)^T \mathbf{F}.$$

Proof

Since

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D})^{-1} &= \{\mathbf{F}^{-1} \mathbf{F} (\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D}) \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F}^{-1}\}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{F}^T (\mathbf{K}_o - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{F}, \end{aligned}$$

we divide the both sides of the above equation by

$$\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D}) = \det(\mathbf{K}_o - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}^T)$$

to obtain (12).  $\square$

$\bullet \text{cof}(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D}) = \sum_{i=1}^4 (\rho\omega^2)^{i+1} \mathbf{S}_i$ , where  $\mathbf{S}_i$  is a matrix whose components are polynomials of  $\xi$ .

Proof

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cof}(\mathbf{K}_o - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}^T) &= \text{cof} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \bar{\mathbf{K}}_o \end{pmatrix} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{F} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{F}^T \right] \\ &= (\rho\omega^2)^2 \begin{pmatrix} \text{cof}(\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B}) \det \bar{\mathbf{K}}_o & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} + O((\rho\omega^2)^3), \end{aligned}$$

we use (12) to obtain the required result.  $\square$

The explicit expression for  $\mathbf{S}_1$  is obtained without difficulty. Indeed, we have

$$(13) \quad \mathbf{S}_1 = \mathbf{F}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{S} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{A}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{S} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{B}^T \\ \mathbf{A}^T \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{B}^T,$$

where

$$(14) \quad \mathbf{S} = \frac{\text{cof}(\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B})}{\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2}.$$

Since  $\mathbf{S}$  is written explicitly as

$$S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2} e_{ipq} e_{jrs} B_{Ap} D_{AB} B_{Br} B_{Cq} D_{CD} B_{Ds},$$

we use (13) and (14) to have

$$(15) \quad (\mathbf{S}_1)_{IJ} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{e_{ipq} B_{Ii} B_{Ap} B_{Cq} D_{AB} D_{CD} e_{jrs} B_{Jj} B_{Br} B_{Ds}}{\xi_1 \xi_2 \xi_3}.$$

Finally we note that  $\mathbf{S}_i$  is a polynomial (of  $\xi$ ) of degree  $8 - 2i$ .

### (c) Stress Function

From (15) and the ‘‘quotient law’’ one expects that

$$\frac{B_{Ii} B_{Jj} B_{Kk} e_{ijk}}{\xi_1 \xi_2 \xi_3}$$

is a tensor of the 6th order. Indeed, an ‘‘experiment’’ shows that the  $(ij) \rightarrow I, (st) \rightarrow$

$J, (mn) \rightarrow K$  component of the above expression is given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{4} e_{ipk} e_{jq l} \xi_p \xi_q [(\delta_{ks} \delta_{lm} + \delta_{km} \delta_{ls}) e_{tun} + (\delta_{kt} \delta_{lm} + \delta_{km} \delta_{lt}) e_{sun} \\ & + (\delta_{ks} \delta_{ln} + \delta_{kn} \delta_{ls}) e_{tum} + (\delta_{kt} \delta_{ln} + \delta_{kn} \delta_{lt}) e_{sum}] \xi_u \end{aligned}$$



Therefore the general expression for the F.T. of the stress function (see (3)) is

$$(16) \quad \hat{\Phi}_{klij} = \frac{(\delta_{ks}\delta_{lm} + \delta_{km}\delta_{ls})(\delta_{ia}\delta_{jc} + \delta_{ic}\delta_{ja})e_{tun}e_{bvd}\xi_u\xi_v D_{stab}D_{mncd}}{2[\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2\mathbf{D})/(\rho\omega^2)^3]} \\ = \frac{(D_{ktib}D_{lnjd} + D_{ltib}D_{knjd} + D_{ktjb}D_{lnid} + D_{ltjb}D_{knid})e_{tun}e_{bvd}\xi_u\xi_v}{2[\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2\mathbf{D})/(\rho\omega^2)^3]}.$$

Example : Isotropy. In this case the compliance tensor  $\mathbf{D}$  is given in terms of the Lamé's constants ( $\lambda, \mu$ ) as

$$D_{ijkl} = \frac{1}{4\mu} \left( \delta_{ik}\delta_{jl} + \delta_{il}\delta_{jk} - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \delta_{ij}\delta_{kl} \right).$$

This gives

$$(4\mu)^2 D_{stab}D_{mncd}e_{tun}e_{bvd}\xi_u\xi_v = e_{tun}\xi_u e_{bvd}\xi_v \\ \times \left( \delta_{sa}\delta_{tb} + \delta_{sb}\delta_{ta} - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \delta_{st}\delta_{ab} \right) \left( \delta_{mc}\delta_{nd} + \delta_{md}\delta_{nc} - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \delta_{mn}\delta_{cd} \right) \\ = \left[ 2\delta_{sa}\delta_{mc}\delta_{nv} + \delta_{sa}e_{buc}e_{bvm} - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \delta_{sa}e_{bum}e_{bvc} \right. \\ \left. + e_{aud}e_{svd}\delta_{mc} + e_{auc}e_{svm} - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} e_{aum}e_{svc} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} e_{sud}e_{avd}\delta_{mc} - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} e_{suc}e_{avm} + \left( \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \right)^2 e_{sum}e_{avc} \right] \xi_u\xi_v \\ \sim |\xi|^2 \left[ 2\delta_{sa}\delta_{mc} + \delta_{sa}\delta_{cm} - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \delta_{sa}\delta_{cm} + \delta_{as}\delta_{mc} \right. \\ \left. + (\delta_{as}\delta_{cm} - \delta_{am}\delta_{cs}) - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} (\delta_{as}\delta_{mc} - \delta_{ac}\delta_{ms}) - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \delta_{sa}\delta_{mc} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} (\delta_{sa}\delta_{mc} - \delta_{sm}\delta_{ca}) + \left( \frac{2\lambda}{3\lambda + 2\mu} \right)^2 (\delta_{sa}\delta_{mc} - \delta_{sc}\delta_{ma}) \right],$$

where  $\sim$  indicates an equality modulo terms proportional to either  $\xi_s$  or  $\xi_a$  or  $\xi_m$  or  $\xi_c$ .

The symmetrisation ( $\delta$  terms) in (16) transforms the  $\delta$  terms in the above formula into

$$\delta_{sa}\delta_{mc} \rightarrow 2(\delta_{ki}\delta_{lj} + \delta_{kj}\delta_{il})$$

$$\delta_{sc}\delta_{ma} \rightarrow 2(\delta_{ki}\delta_{lj} + \delta_{kj}\delta_{il})$$

$$\delta_{sm}\delta_{ca} \rightarrow 4\delta_{kl}\delta_{ij}.$$

Hence the stress function for this case is

$$\hat{\Phi}_{kl ij} = \frac{|\xi|^2}{4\mu^2(3\lambda + 2\mu)} \frac{(\lambda + 2\mu)(\delta_{ki}\delta_{lj} + \delta_{kj}\delta_{li}) + 2\lambda\delta_{kl}\delta_{ij}}{\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2\mathbf{D})/(\rho\omega^2)^3}.$$

#### 4. Remarks

1 It is not difficult to evaluate  $d_1$  in terms of tensor components. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\det \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{B}}{\xi_1^2 \xi_2^2 \xi_3^2} &= \frac{1}{6} \frac{e_{ikm} B_{Ii} B_{Kk} B_{Mm}}{\xi_1 \xi_2 \xi_3} D_{IJ} D_{KL} D_{MN} \frac{e_{jln} B_{Jj} B_{Ll} B_{Nn}}{\xi_1 \xi_2 \xi_3} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} e_{ipc} e_{aqm} e_{kre} e_{jds} e_{btn} e_{luf} \xi_p \xi_q \xi_r \xi_s \xi_t \xi_u D_{iajb} D_{kcl d} D_{menf}. \end{aligned}$$

2 It is noted that the present formulation transforms the ‘‘cofactor’’ in (5) only. In addition the stress function is given in a form of

$$\frac{\text{polynomials in } \xi}{\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2\mathbf{D})/(\rho\omega^2)^3}.$$

Hence this process does not introduce anything artificial to the final results in that the functions  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  maintain the correct causality in the time domain.

3 In general the regularisation process goes as follows: i) Write

$$(17) \quad \hat{\Sigma}_{ijkl} = \frac{e_{ipa} e_{jqb} e_{krc} e_{lsd} \varphi_{abcd} \xi_p \xi_q \xi_r \xi_s + \rho\omega^2 \psi_{ijkl}}{\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2\mathbf{D})/(\rho\omega^2)^3}$$

where  $\varphi$  is the ‘stress function’ part of the cofactor. Notice that  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are polynomials in  $\xi$ . ii) Compute the Fourier inversions given by

$$\Phi := F^{-1} \left( \frac{\varphi}{\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2\mathbf{D})/(\rho\omega^2)^3} \right), \quad \Psi := F^{-1} \left( \frac{\psi}{\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2\mathbf{D})/(\rho\omega^2)^3} \right),$$

and use the regularisation techniques proposed elsewhere[1].

4 Nédélec's technique is interpreted as follows: One uses an identity

$$|\xi|^2 \delta_{ij} = -e_{ipq} e_{qrp} \xi_p \xi_q + \xi_i \xi_j$$

to have

$$(18) \quad \hat{\Sigma}_{ijkl} = \frac{1}{|\xi|^4} e_{iPQ} \xi_P e_{lAB} \xi_A e_{QRS} \xi_R e_{BCD} \xi_C \hat{\Sigma}_{SjkD} \\ - \frac{1}{|\xi|^4} \left( \underline{e_{iPQ} \xi_P e_{QRS} \xi_R \xi_l \hat{\Sigma}_{ShjD} \xi_D + e_{lAB} \xi_A e_{BCD} \xi_C \xi_i \hat{\Sigma}_{SjkD} \xi_S - \xi_i \xi_l \hat{\Sigma}_{SjkD} \xi_S \xi_D} \right)$$

Since  $\hat{\Sigma}_{ijkl} \xi_l \sim O(1/|\xi|)$  as one shows from (17), the expression in the  $(\dots)$  in (18) gives an integrable kernel. In order to show that the  $1/|\xi|^4$  does not destroy the correct causality in the time domain, however, one would have to show that the underlined parts in (18)  $\times \det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D})$  could be factored out by  $|\xi|^4$ . Unfortunately, this is not always the case. To see this we use (17) and (18) to have

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{ijkl} = \frac{1}{|\xi|^4} \frac{e_{iPQ} \xi_P e_{lAB} \xi_A \{ |\xi|^4 e_{jqb} e_{krc} \xi_q \xi_r \varphi_{QbcA} + \rho\omega^2 e_{QRS} \xi_R e_{BCD} \xi_C \psi_{SjkD} \}}{\det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D}) / (\rho\omega^2)^3} \\ - \frac{\rho\omega^2 e_{iPQ} \xi_P e_{QRS} \xi_R \xi_l \psi_{SjkD} \xi_D + e_{lAB} \xi_A e_{BCD} \xi_C \xi_i \psi_{SjkD} \xi_S - \xi_i \xi_l \psi_{SjkD} \xi_S \xi_D}{|\xi|^4 \det(\mathbf{K} - \rho\omega^2 \mathbf{D}) / (\rho\omega^2)^3}$$

This shows that it is impossible to eliminate the  $1/|\xi|^4$  factor except in the static case. A possible remedy for this artificiality is to use Nédélec's technique to the  $\Phi$  term only. This method will give exactly the same result as does the technique mentioned in 3 †. When one is interested only in a time harmonic analysis for a particular  $\omega$ , however, the artificiality of the original Nédélec formulation may not cause numerical problems. In addition, the original Nédélec formulation works in statics regardless of the material symmetry.

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† Notice, however, that the present proof that " $\varphi$  is a polynomial" is necessary to claim that the modified Nédélec formulation is free of artificiality.

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