

ANNA Newtonian Noise Analysis: Recent developments

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Introduction

Recent developments

- Updated finite element formulation and integration strategy
 - no dedicated mesh refinement near the test mass
 - adaptive integration of the element Newtonian noise matrices
- Extended element implementation and verification
 - solid and surface finite elements
 - spatially varying density
- Shared native C++ core
 - MATLAB interface through MEX
 - Python interface through nanobind

Adaptive integration

Triangular integration domains

- For the current triangular integration domain, identify the closest corner node to the mirror position $\mathbf{x}_0$,

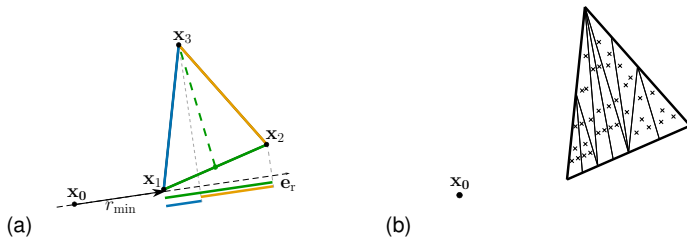
$$r_{\min} = \min_i \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_0\|, \quad \mathbf{e}_{r,\min} = \frac{\mathbf{x}_{\min} - \mathbf{x}_0}{\|\mathbf{x}_{\min} - \mathbf{x}_0\|}. \quad (1)$$

- For each edge (i, j) of the triangle, compute its projected length along the radial direction $\mathbf{e}_{r,\min}$,

$$l_{ij} = |(\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i) \cdot \mathbf{e}_{r,\min}|. \quad (2)$$

If $\max(l_{ij}) > \alpha r_{\min}$, split the edge with the largest projected length at its midpoint. The default value is $\alpha = 0.1$.

- Repeat recursively until all subtriangles satisfy the refinement criterion, then apply the standard quadrature rule.



Adaptive integration

Quadrilateral integration domains

- For the current quadrilateral integration domain, identify the closest corner node to the mirror position $\mathbf{x}_0$,

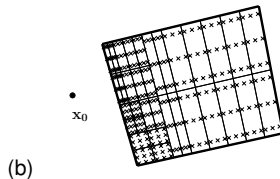
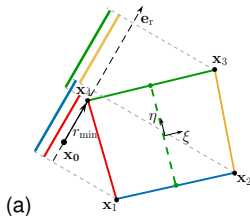
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- For each edge (i, j) of the quadrilateral, compute its projected length along the radial direction $\mathbf{e}_{r,\min}$,

$$l_{ij} = |(\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_i) \cdot \mathbf{e}_{r,\min}|. \quad (4)$$

If $\max(l_{ij}) > \alpha r_{\min}$, split the quadrilateral along the corresponding parametric direction (ξ or η).

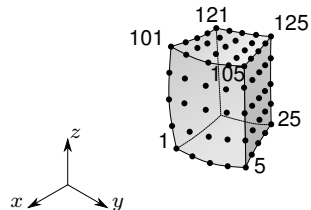
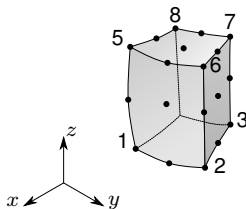
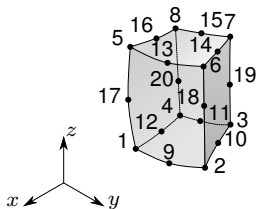
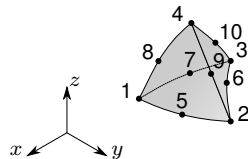
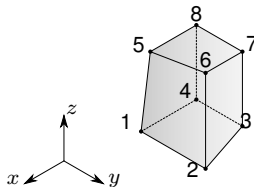
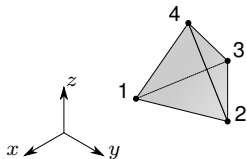
- Repeat recursively until all sub-quadrilaterals satisfy the refinement criterion, then apply the standard quadrature rule.



Element library

Solid elements

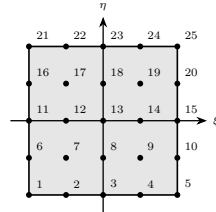
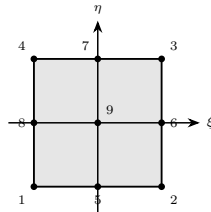
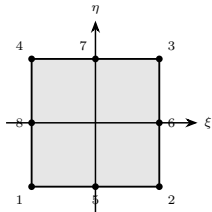
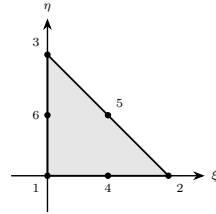
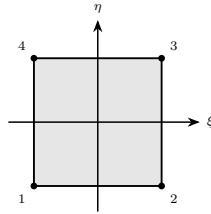
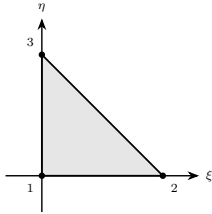
■ Solid (volume) elements: solid4, solid8, solid10, solid20, solid27, solid125.



Element library

Surface elements

■ Surface (boundary) elements: surf3, surf4, surf6, surf8, surf9, surf25.

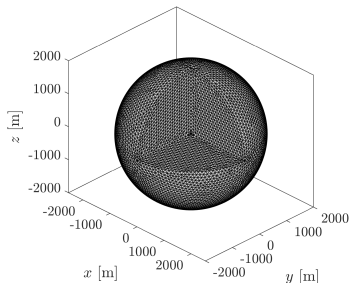


ANNA Workflow

Newtonian noise computation

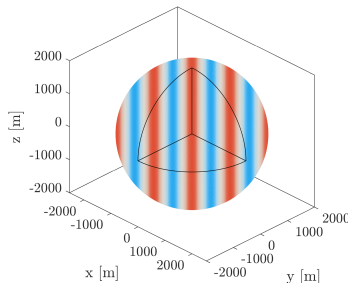
1. FE mesh

- Generated in Gmsh (or any external meshing software).
- Supports solid (volume) and surface (boundary) elements.



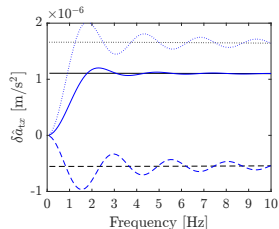
2. Seismic wave field

- Input seismic displacement field $\hat{\mathbf{u}}(\omega)$.
- Defined at the FE nodes and stored as a $(3N \times 1)$ vector.



3. NN computation

- Assemble NN matrices ($\mathbf{a}_{smnn}$): $\mathbf{A}_t(\mathbf{x}_0)$, $\mathbf{A}_b(\mathbf{x}_0)$, $\mathbf{A}_s(\mathbf{x}_0)$ ($3 \times 3N$)
- Compute NN acceleration: $\delta \hat{\mathbf{a}}_i(\mathbf{x}_0, \omega) = \mathbf{A}_i(\mathbf{x}_0) \hat{\mathbf{u}}(\omega)$



* Analytical reference solution for validation from Harms (2019).

Examples

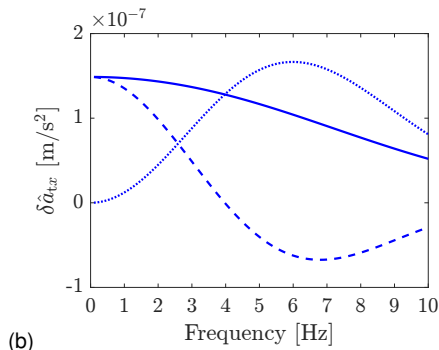
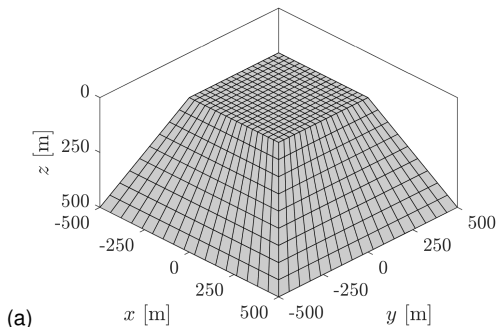
Overview

- Examples are provided with both the MATLAB and Python interfaces
 - `example1` – Plane harmonic P-wave in a full space.
 - `example2` – Plane harmonic S-wave in a full space.
 - `example3` – Harmonic Rayleigh wave in a halfspace.
 - `example4` – Test case with alternative element types.
 - `example5` – Test case with a height-dependent density field.
- Typical example structure (`example1`–`example3`):
 - Gmsh geometry (`.geo`) and mesh (`.msh`)
 - main MATLAB/Python script (`.m/.py`)
 - analytical reference solution
 - post-processing script
- Additional examples (`example4` and `example5`): separate cases are provided for
 - `solid4 (surf3)`,
 - `solid8 (surf4)`,
 - `solid10 (surf6)`,
 - `solid20 (surf8)`,
 - `solid27 (surf9)`,
 - `solid125 (surf25)`.

Examples

Alternative element types

- Verification (Example 4) extended to all supported solid element types `solid4`, `solid8`, `solid10`, `solid20`, `solid27` and `solid125`.
- Surface contribution $\mathbf{A}_s$ evaluated either from the faces of the solid elements or independently from a surface (boundary) element mesh.
- Agreement at machine precision between the two evaluations of $\mathbf{A}_s$.



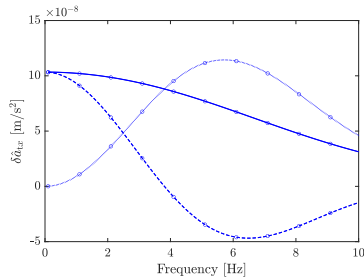
Examples

Spatially varying density

- Spatially varying density (Example 5) represented either as
 - a per-node density field `NodalDensity`, interpolated within each element via the element shape functions,
 - an element-wise constant density through `Materials`, using the mean of the element's nodal density values.
- Verification for a linearly varying density field,

$$\rho(z) = \rho_0 \left(0.5 + 0.5 \frac{z}{h_{\text{dom}}} \right).$$

- Good agreement between both density representations.



ANNA Newtonian Noise Analysis

Structure

- ANNA is organized into three components:
 - `anna-core`: shared native C++ library,
 - `anna-matlab`: MATLAB/MEX interface and MATLAB functions,
 - `anna-python`: Python/nanobind interface and Python functions.
- The performance-critical routines are implemented in `anna-core`:
 - Element shape functions, DOF numbering and quadrature,
 - Newtonian noise element routines and `asmnn` global assembly.
 - Code optimized for performance.
- MATLAB and Python use the same C++ implementation for the computation of the Newtonian noise matrices.
- The C++ core can also be compiled and linked directly with external simulation software (SPECFEM, Salvus), for **in-core Newtonian noise calculation**, or (alternatively) as a postprocessing step.

ANNA Newtonian Noise Analysis

Implementation / compilation / installation

- MATLAB and Python share the same `anna-core` C++ implementation.

anna-core

- `include/`, `src/` – shape functions, `nn_*` element routines, `asmnn` assembly
- `tests/` – C++ unit tests (CTest)
- no external dependencies

Build: `cmake -S . -B build`
`cmake -build build`

anna-matlab

- `mex/` – MEX wrappers (`*_mex.cpp`)
- `matlab/` – pure MATLAB helper functions
- `examples/`, `manual/`, `tests/`

Build: `annamake`
compiles `anna-core` and every MEX function via CMake into `build/`

Install: add the toolbox folder to the MATLAB path

anna-python

- `nanobind/` – nanobind wrappers (`*_nb.cpp`)
- `src/anna/` – Python package
- `examples/`, `manual/`, `tests/`

Build: `python -m build -wheel`
via `scikit-build-core` + `nanobind`:
builds `anna-core` and the bindings into a wheel

Install: `pip install anna***.whl`

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