

1. Introduction

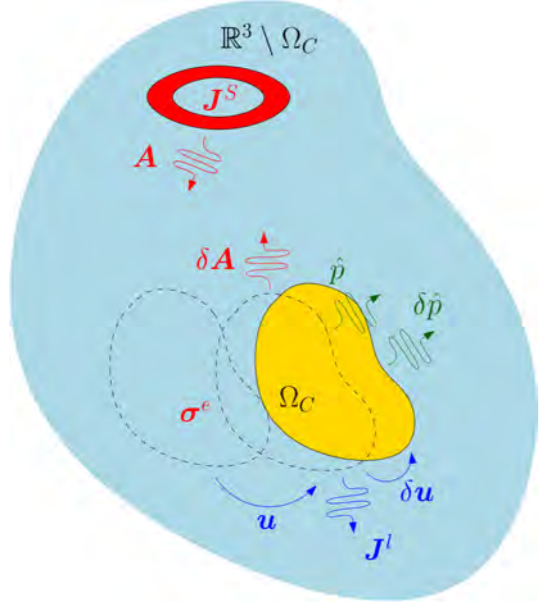
Objective

- Optimise design process of MRI scanners by implementing a reduced order method



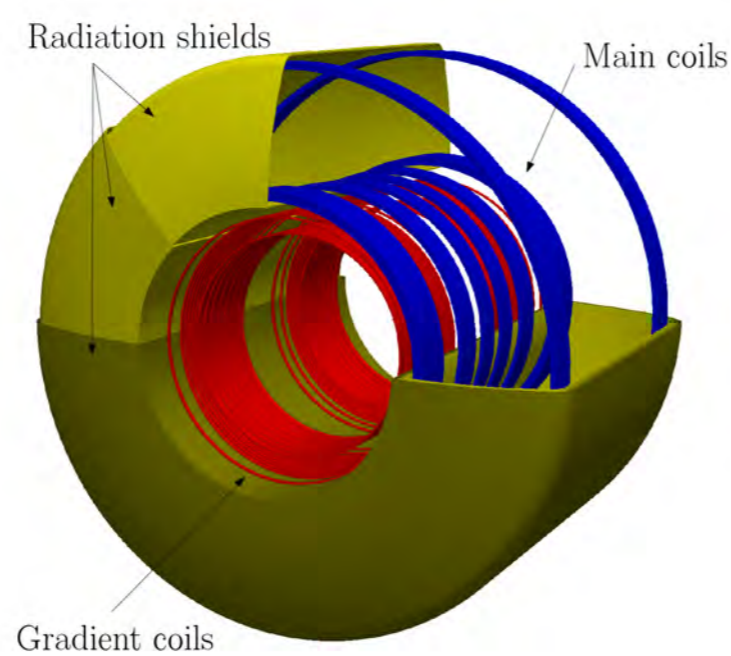
Challenges

- Complex coupled problem
- Unwanted vibrations → imaging artefacts and noise
- High computational cost when designing coils

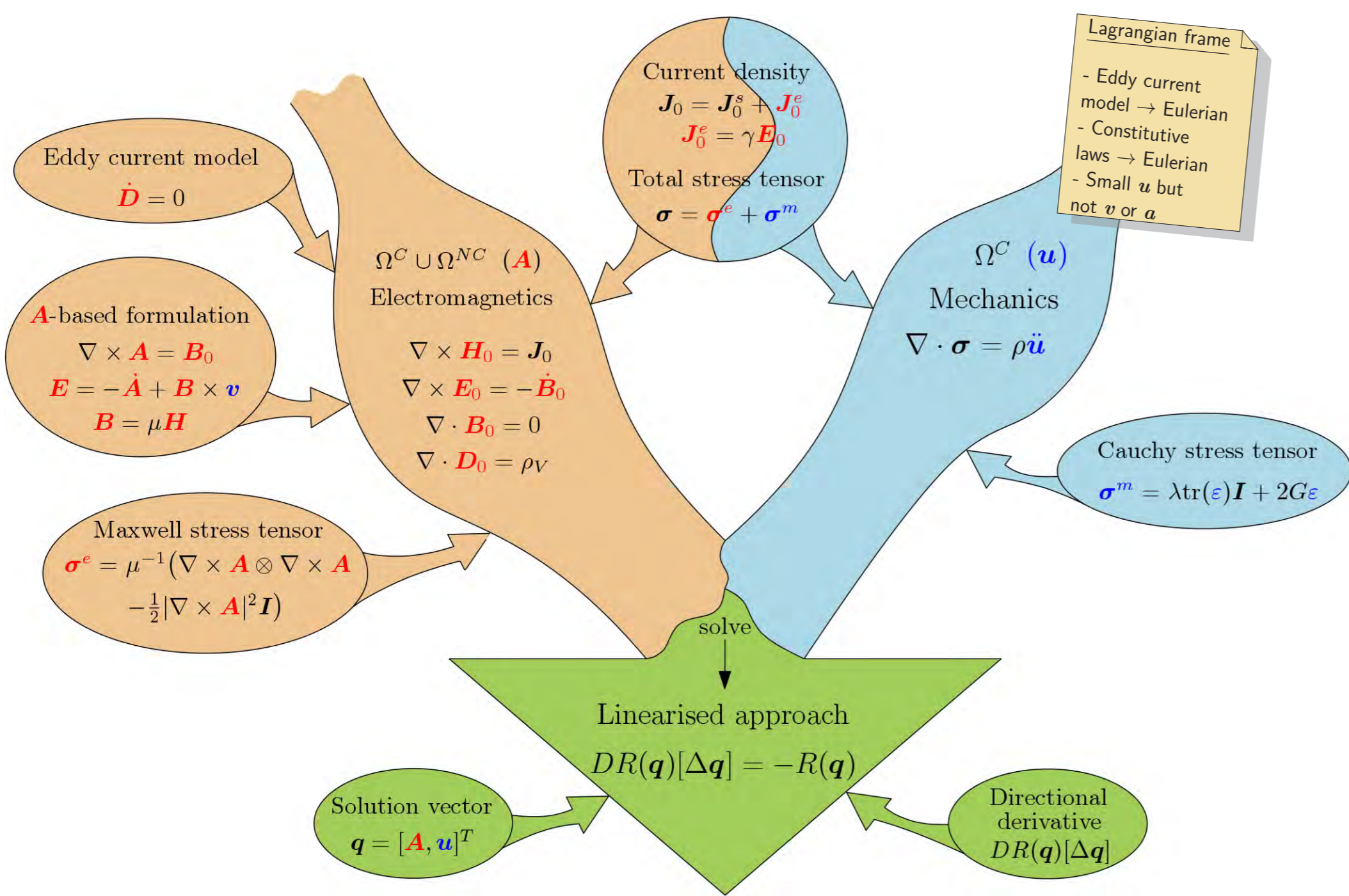


MRI basics

- Strong static (DC) magnetic field generated by the main coils
- Gradient coils emit transient (AC) magnetic field
- Radiation shields prevent electromagnetic radiation from escaping



2. Physical problem



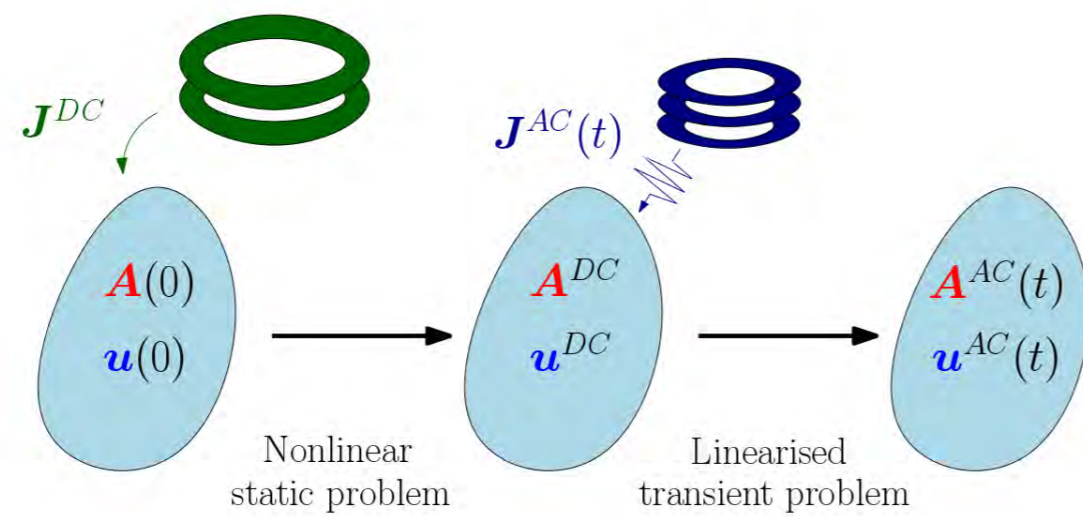
3. Numerical problem

Linearisation^[1]

- Solve static DC field
- Solve linearised AC problem with DC field as initial state
- Recover total solution as

$$A(t) = A^{DC} + A^{AC}(t)$$

$$u(t) = u^{DC} + u^{AC}(t)$$



Axisymmetric formulation^[1]

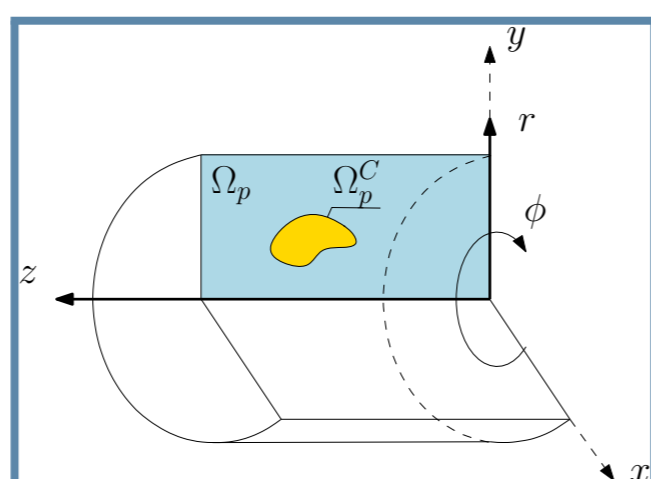
- Assume axisymmetry in geometry and current source

$$J^s(r, \phi, z) = J_\phi^s(r, z) e_\phi$$

- Use cylindrical coordinates

$$A(r, \phi, z) = A_\phi(r, z) e_\phi$$

$$u(r, \phi, z) = u_r(r, z) e_r + u_z(r, z) e_z$$



Frequency domain

- From now onwards only dynamic AC problem is considered
- Compute using complex amplitudes

$$A_\phi \rightarrow \bar{A}_\phi e^{i\omega t} \text{ and } u \rightarrow \bar{u} e^{i\omega t}$$

- Expensive frequency sweeps when computing integrated quantities such as dissipated power $P_{\Omega^c}^0$ and kinetic energy $E_{\Omega^c}^k$

4. Proper Generalised Decomposition (PGD)

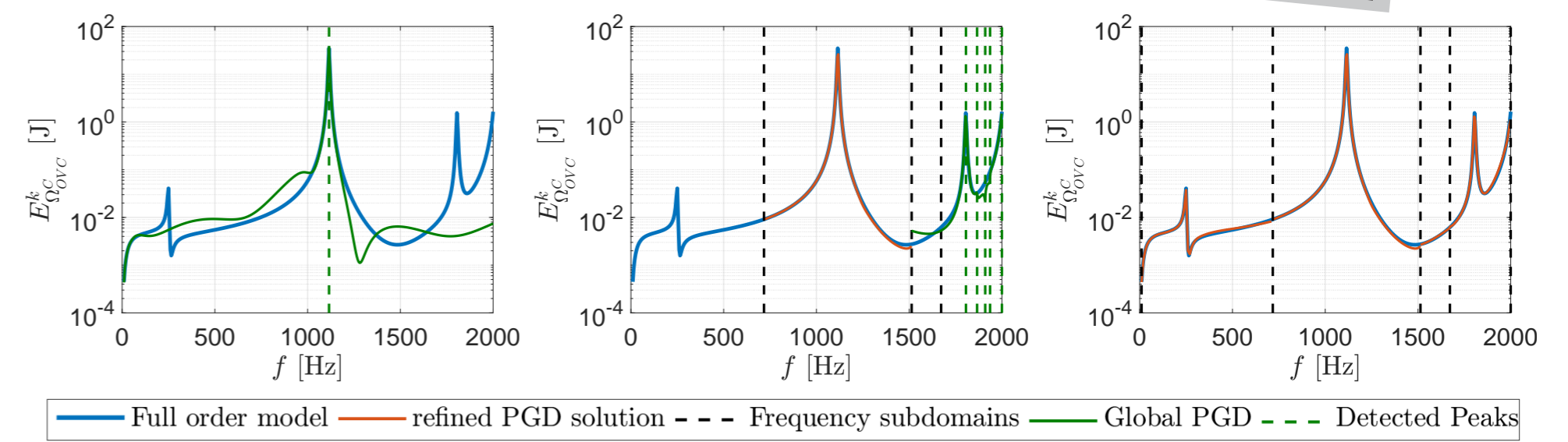
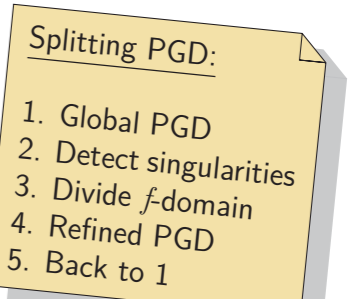
General d -dimensional PGD definition

$$q^N(x_1, \dots, x_d) = \sum_{n=1}^N \prod_{i=1}^d F_i^n(x_i)$$

- Off-line stage: obtain general solution $q^N(x_1, \dots, x_d)$ by computing all $F_i^n(x_i)$
- On-line stage interpolate $q^N(x_1, \dots, x_d)$ for a set of parameters (x_1, \dots, x_d)

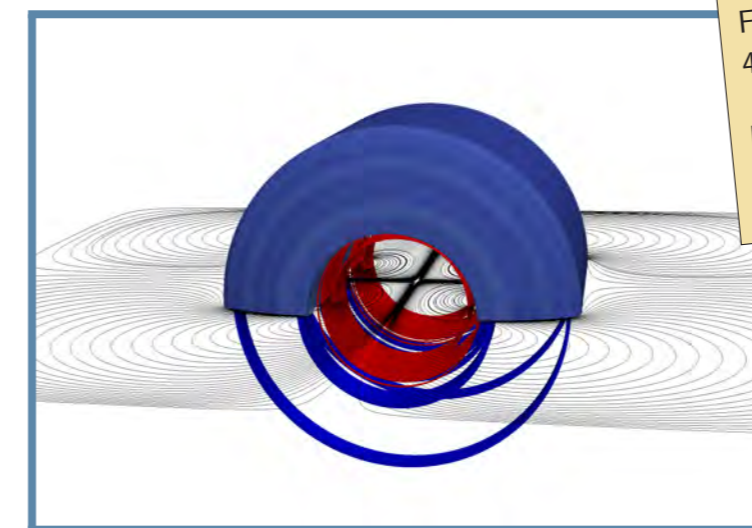
Regularised-adaptive PGD^[2]

- 3D parametric problem $q^N(r, z, \omega)$
- Conducting shell in a non-conducting domain
- Addition of numerical regularisation (Rayleigh coeff. α)
- Automatic adaptive PGD splitting

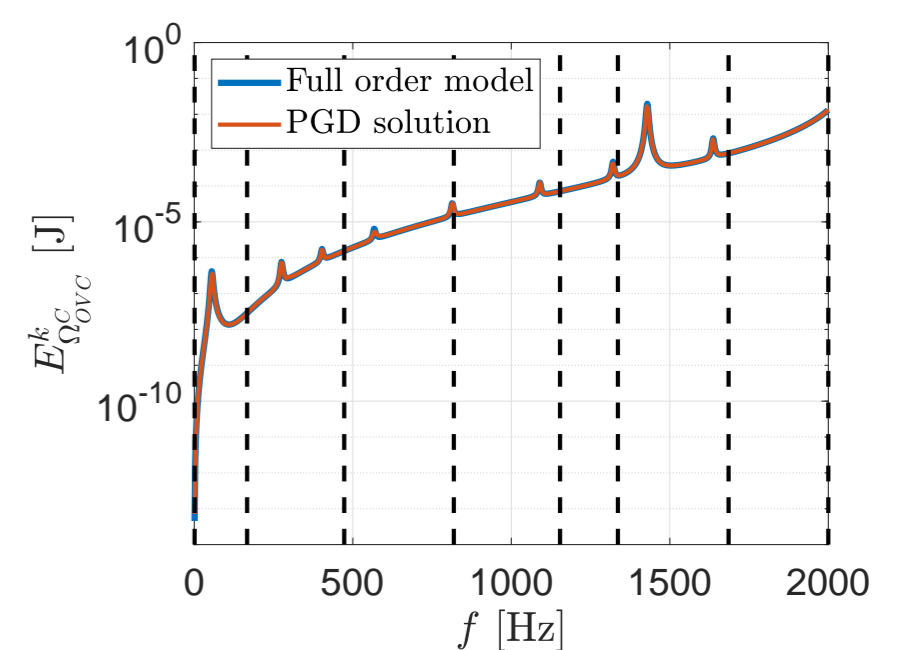


5. Results

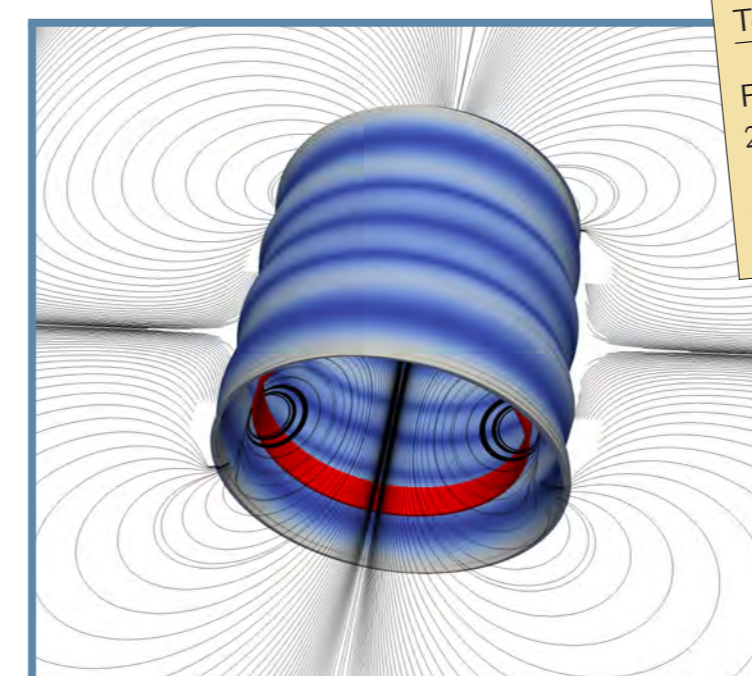
3D parametric full magnet problem $q^N(r, z, \omega)$



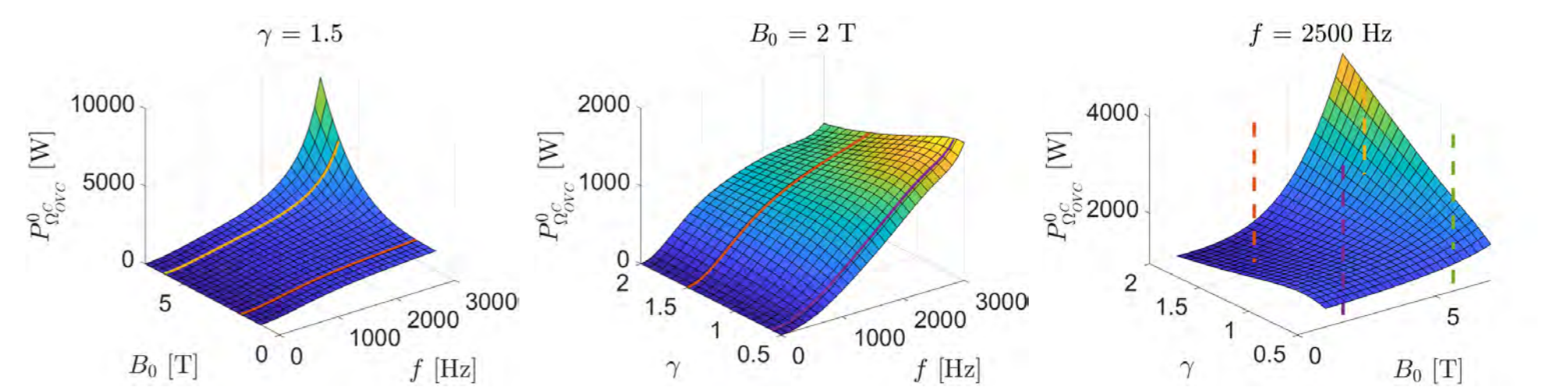
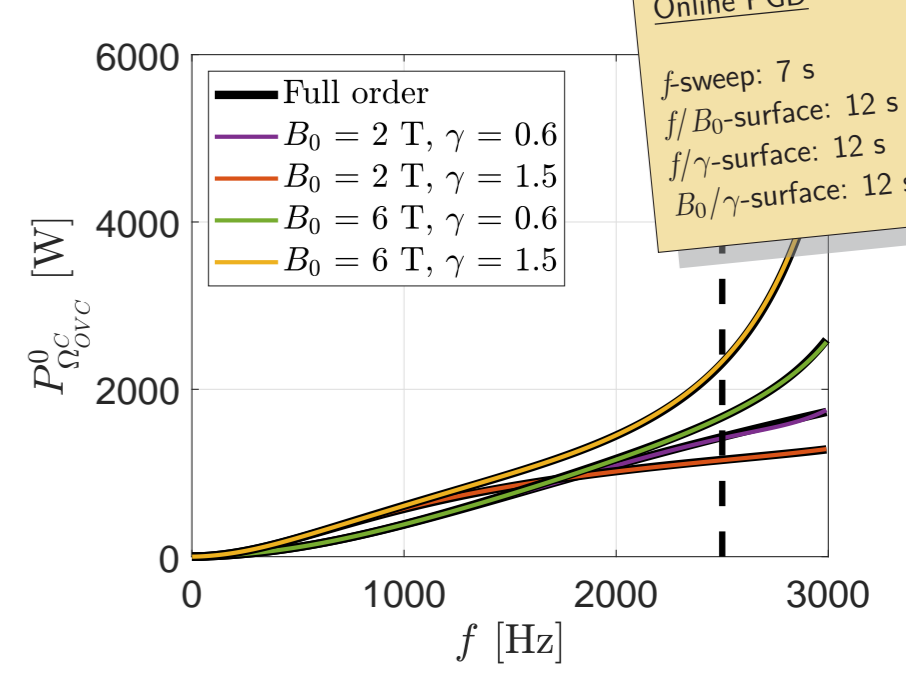
Full magnet
Full order: 45 min/f-sweep
PGD: x2
Offline: 90 min
Online: 15 s



5D parametric test magnet problem $q^N(r, z, \omega, B_0, \gamma)$



Test magnet
Full order: 2 min/f-sweep
Offline PGD: x3
6 min

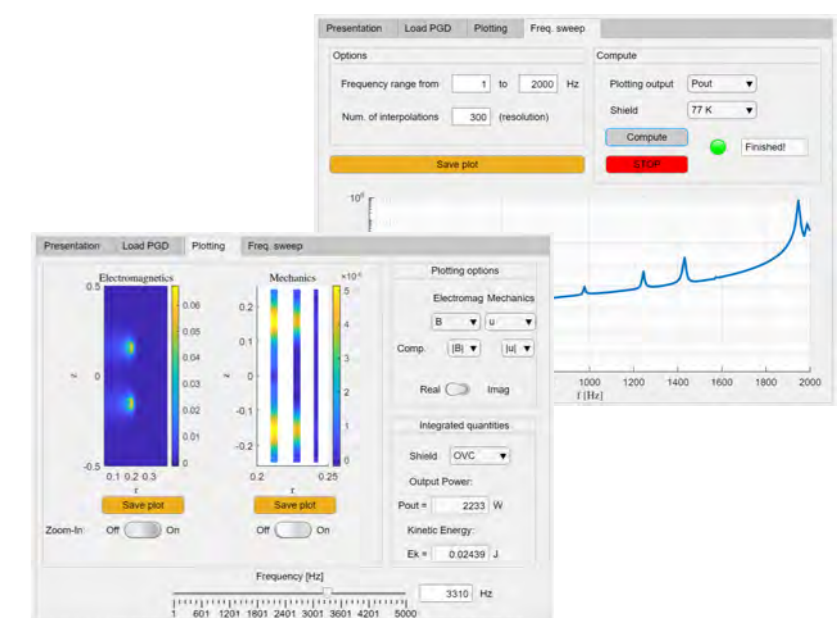


6. Further work

- Further develop the online PGD tool

- 5D parametric PGD in the resonance region

- Geometrically parametrised PGD (shield thickness)



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