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TITLE:

Local energy decay for Lipschitz wavespeeds

ABSTRACT:

We establish logarithmic local energy decay in dimensions two and three for solutions to the wave equation with a wavespeed that is a short range, Lipschitz perturbation of unity. The key is to establish Hölder continuity of the resolvent for real frequencies, modulo a logarithmic remainder in dimension two as frequency goes to zero. This is carried out by proving two types of resolvent estimates. We obtain a resolvent estimate at low frequency using a Neumann series and Bessel function asymptotics. The second resolvent estimate, valid uniformly in $\mathbb{R} \setminus [-\lambda_0, \lambda_0]$ for any fixed $\lambda_0 > 0$, is proved by way of a Carleman estimate. This work is joint with Gayana Jayasinghe, Katrina Morgan, and Mengxuan Yang.