

# Time-dependent Wave Splitting and Source Separation

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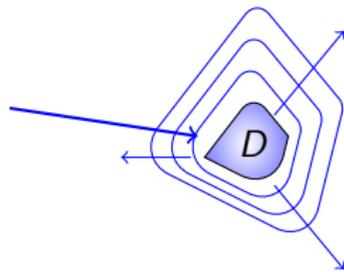
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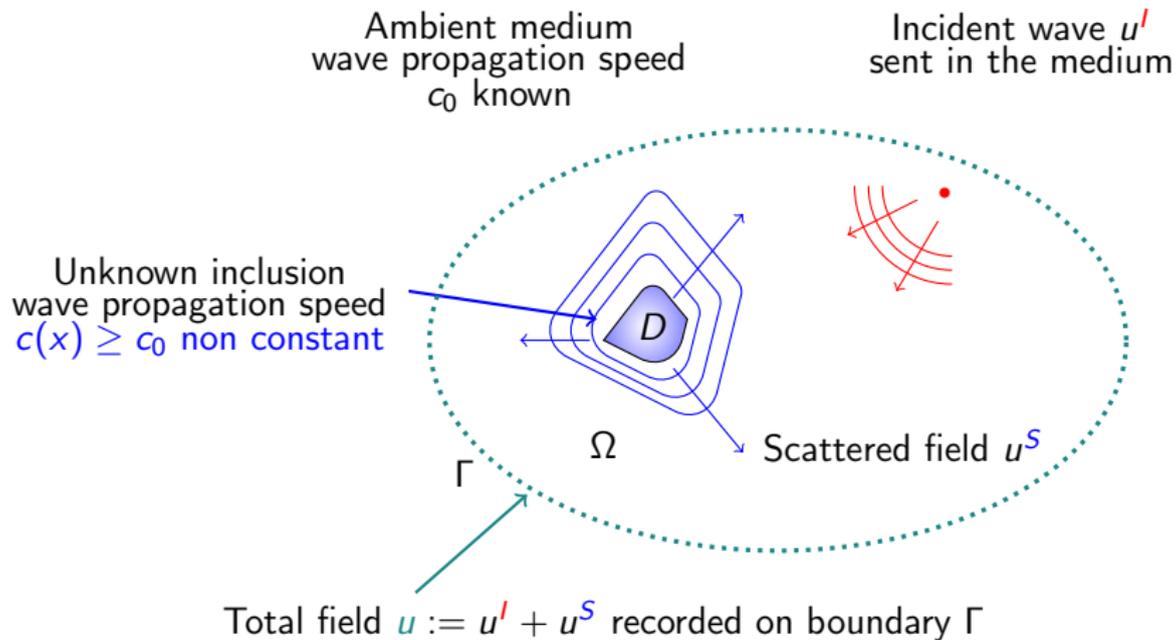
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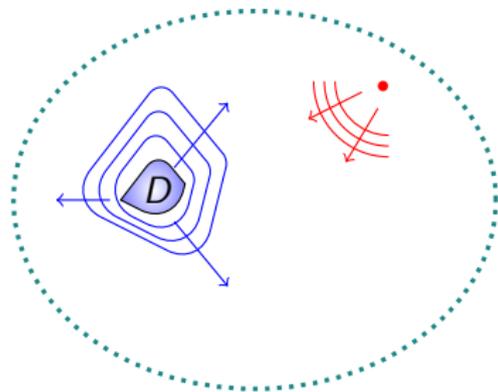


**Aim:** solve a time-dependent inverse problem from measurements data in situations when the **incident field is unknown**

**But!!!** needed to solve inverse problems  
⇒ computation of the forward problem  
in the optimization process

**Assumptions about the incident field:**

- location: approx. known
- time history: unknown

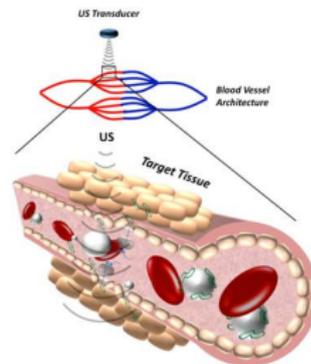


## Examples of applications:

- in medical imaging

e.g. Contrast-enhanced ultrasound:  
microbubbles as contrast agents

- [1] M. Pernot, G. Montaldo, M. Tanter, and M. Fink. “Ultrasonic stars” for time reversal focusing using induced cavitation bubbles. *Appl. Phys. Lett.*, 88(3):034102, 2006.
- [2] S. R. Sirsi, M. A. Borden. Advances in Ultrasound Mediated Gene Therapy Using Microbubble Contrast Agents, *Theranostics*, 2(12):1208-1222, 2012.



from [2]

- in geophysics

e.g. Full Waveform Inversion or imaging

- [3] N. Tu, A. Y. Aravkin, T. van Leeuwen, and F. J. Herrmann. Fast least-squares migration with multiples and source estimation, *EAGE* 2013.

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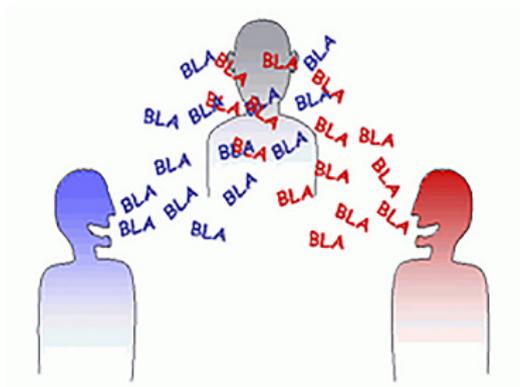
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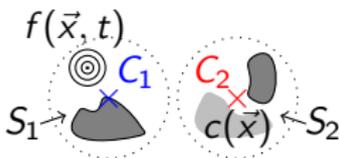
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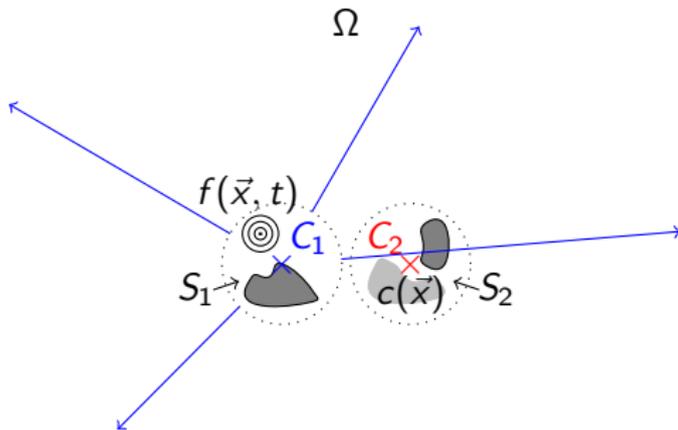
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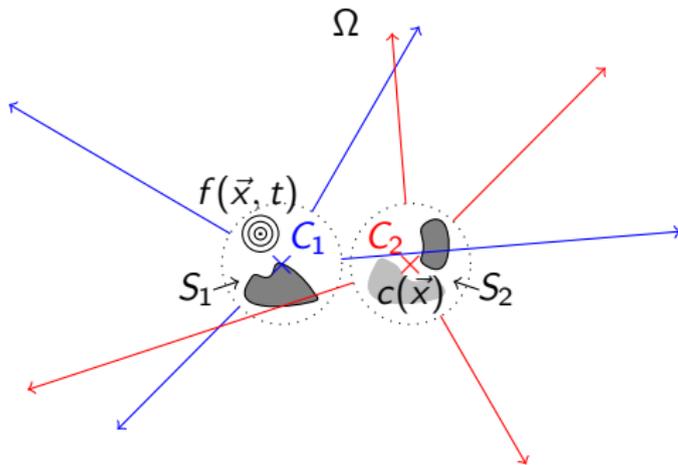
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Other works on Wave splitting:

- in the **frequency domain**
  - F. Ben Hassen, J. Liu, and R. Potthast. (2007)  
On source analysis by wave splitting with applications in inverse scattering of multiple obstacles. *J. Comput. Math*, 25(3):266–281.
  - R. Griesmaier, M. Hanke, and J. Sylvester. (2014)  
Far field splitting for the Helmholtz equation. *SIAM J. Numer. Anal.*, 52(1):343–362.
  - H. Wang and J. Liu. (2013)  
On decomposition method for acoustic wave scattering by multiple obstacles. *Acta Mathematica Scientia*, 33B(1):1–22.
- in the **time-dependent domain**
  - R. Potthast, F. M. Fazi, and P. A. Nelson. (2010)  
Source splitting via the point source method. *Inv. Problems*, 626(4):045002.

Our method is local in space and time, deterministic, and also avoids a priori assumptions on the frequency spectrum of the signal.

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Outside  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ ,  $u$  satisfies:

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - c_0^2 \Delta u = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega, t > 0,$$

$c_0 > 0$  constant.

At  $t = 0$ , no signal in  $\Omega$ , then uniqueness of splitting<sup>1</sup>

$$u = u_1 + u_2 \quad \text{in } \Omega, t > 0$$

and  $u_k$  outgoing (3D):

$$u_k(t, r_k, \theta_k, \varphi_k) = \frac{1}{r_k} \sum_{i \geq 0} \frac{f_{k,i}(r_k - c_0 t, \theta_k, \varphi_k)}{(r_k)^i}$$

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<sup>1</sup>M. J. Grote and C. Kirsch. Nonreflecting boundary condition for time-dependent multiple scattering. J. Comput. Phys., 221(1):41–67, 2007.

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$m^{\text{th}}$ -order absorbing boundary condition<sup>2</sup> on any  $\Gamma$  in  $\Omega$

$$B_k[u_k] = O\left(\frac{1}{r_k^{2m+1}}\right), \quad k = 1, 2$$

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<sup>2</sup>A. Bayliss and E. Turkel. Radiation boundary conditions for wave-like equations. *Comm. Pure Appl. Math.*, 33(6):707–725, 1980.

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**Difficulty:** integration of partial differential equation (1)-(2)  
on the submanifold  $\Gamma$

- Find adequate initial and boundary conditions
- Change of coordinates from  $(r_k, \theta_k, \varphi_k)$  to  $(r_j, \theta_j, \varphi_j)$
- Remove normal/radial derivatives (equation on  $\Gamma$  involving only  $(t, \theta_j, \varphi_j)$ )

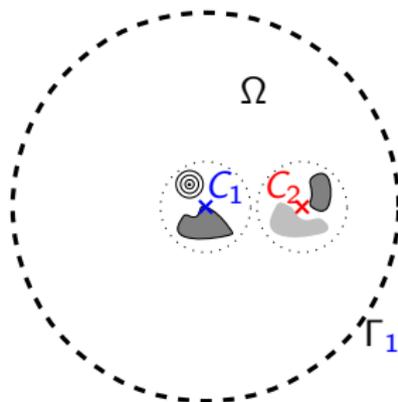
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Wave splitting in the two-space dimensional case

In 2D, Bayliss-Turkel first order absorbing boundary condition

$$B_j[u] = \frac{1}{c_0} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial r_j} + \frac{u}{2r_j}$$

For simplicity, let  $\Gamma := \Gamma_1$  be a circle centered at  $C_1$ .



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E.g. to recover  $u_1$  on  $\Gamma_1$

$$B_2[u_1] = B_2[u]$$
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How to solve this PDE for  $u_1$ ?

- need initial and boundary conditions
- remove the radial derivative! we solve on  $\Gamma_1$
- derivatives in  $(r_2, \theta_2)$ , when domain in  $(r_1, \theta_1)$

⇒ rewrite the PDE using only  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_1}$  and 0<sup>th</sup>-order term

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!!! on  $\Gamma_1$ , solution only depends on  $t$  and  $\theta_1$  since  $r_1$  constant

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**Finally:** PDE to recover  $f_1 = \sqrt{r_1} u_1$  on  $\Gamma_1$ ,  $t > 0$

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with

$$\alpha_1(\theta_1) = \frac{\sqrt{r_1^2 + \ell^2 - 2r_1\ell \cos(\theta_1)} - r_1 + \ell \cos(\theta_1)}{c_0 \sqrt{r_1} \sqrt{r_1^2 + \ell^2 - 2r_1\ell \cos(\theta_1)}},$$

$$\beta_1(\theta_1) = \frac{\ell \sin(\theta_1)}{r_1 \sqrt{r_1} \sqrt{r_1^2 + \ell^2 - 2r_1\ell \cos(\theta_1)}},$$

$$\gamma_1(\theta_1) = \frac{\ell \cos(\theta_1)}{2r_1 \sqrt{r_1} \sqrt{r_1^2 + \ell^2 - 2r_1\ell \cos(\theta_1)}},$$

and  $\ell$  the signed distance between  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

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## Initial condition?

At  $t = 0$ , no signal in  $\Omega$ : all sources in  $S_1 \cup S_2$

$\implies f_1$  and  $f_2$  vanish in  $\Omega$ , thus on  $\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2$

the initial condition is:

$$f_1 = 0, \quad \text{on } \Gamma_1, \text{ at } t = 0.$$

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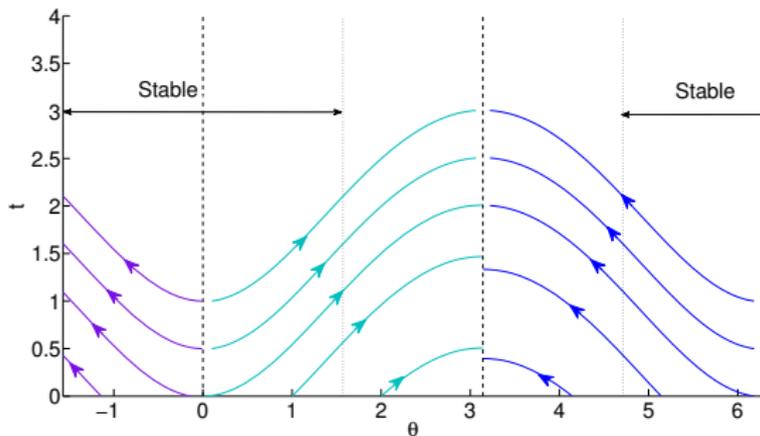


Hyperbolic PDE

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trivial at  $\theta_1 = 0$  or  $\pi$  modulo  $2\pi$ , since  $\alpha_1(\theta_1) = 0, \beta_1(\theta_1) = 0$

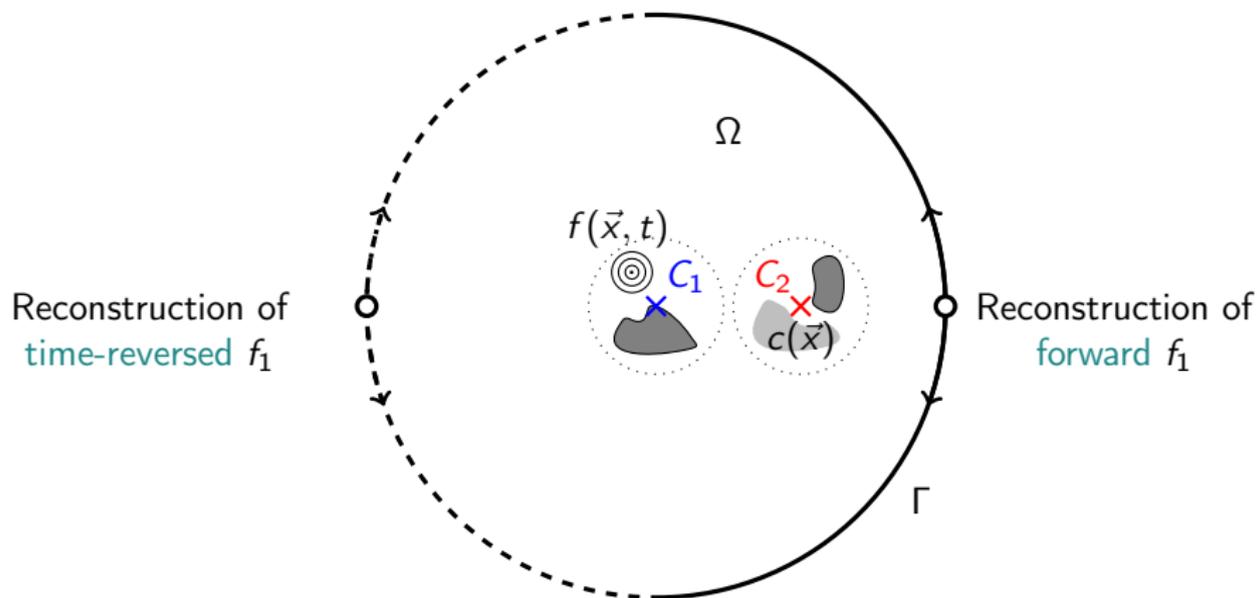
⇒ **Dirichlet boundary condition:**  $f_1 = \frac{B_2[u]}{\gamma_1(0)}$  at  $\theta_1 = 0$



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... and by using time reversal<sup>1</sup>



A similar equation can be derived for  $f_2$  on the same boundary  $\Gamma = \Gamma_1$ .

<sup>1</sup> M.J. Grote, M. Kray, F. Nataf and F. Assous. Time-dependent wave splitting and source separation. (2016)

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## Numerical example

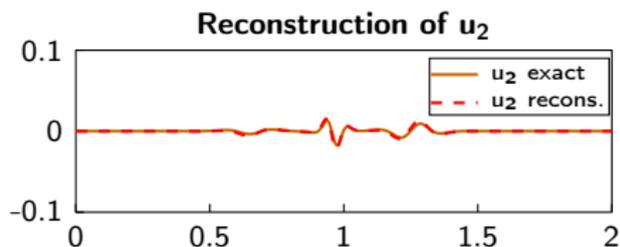
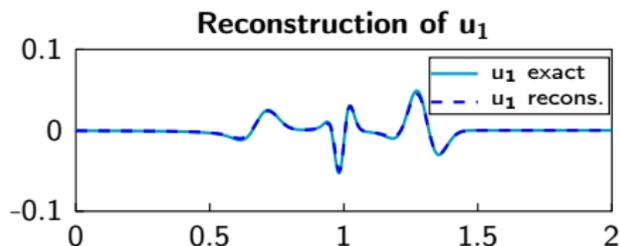
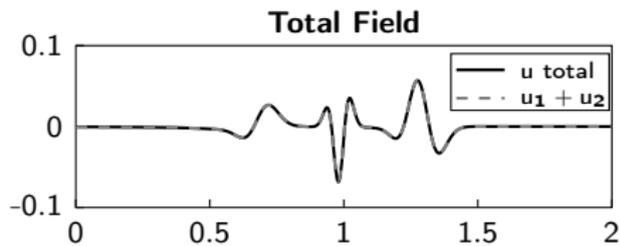
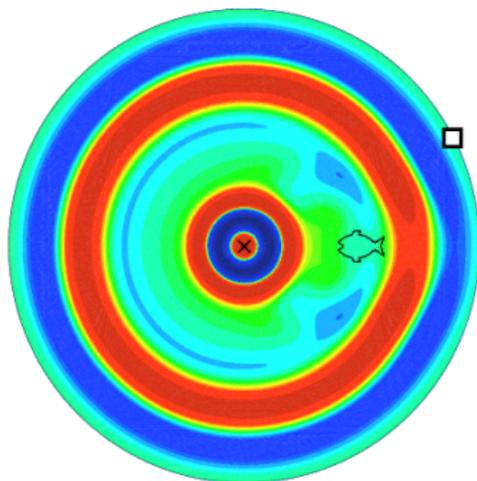


- **Incident wave field from a point source**
- **Scattered wave field from a penetrable fish-shaped inclusion**

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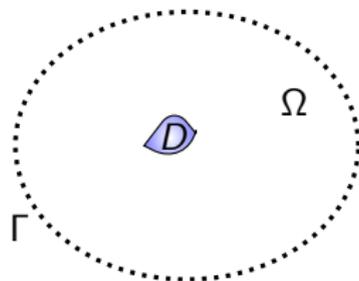
Numerical example

Time history of wave fields at one location: incident wave impinges on a penetrable inclusion



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**Aim:** Reconstruct the outgoing wave field  $u$  in  $\Omega \setminus D$  from measurements on  $\Gamma$  reversed in time.



The wave equation is time reversible. The time reversed field  $u_R(t, \cdot) := u(T - t, \cdot)$  is solution of a wave equation as well:

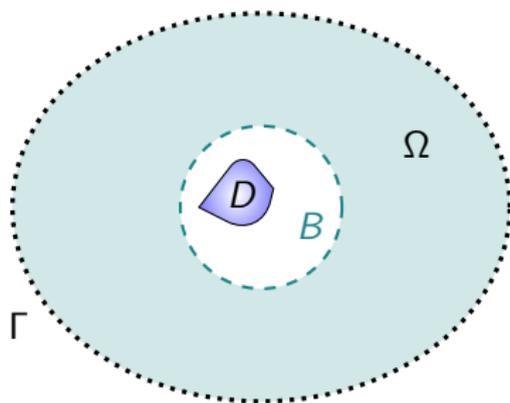
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{\partial^2 u_R}{\partial t^2} - c_0^2 \Delta u_R = 0 & \text{in } (0, T) \times (\Omega \setminus D), \\ u_R(t, \cdot) = u(T - t, \cdot) & \text{on } (0, T) \times \Gamma, \\ u_R = ? & \text{on } (0, T) \times \partial D, \end{array} \right.$$

with homogeneous initial conditions.

**This problem is undetermined because  $D$  is unknown!**

Time Reversed Absorbing Condition (*TRAC*) method:

Introduce a subdomain  $B$  enclosing the inclusion  $D$ .



Reconstruct the time-reversed wave field in  $\Omega \setminus B$   
by imposing a relevant boundary condition on  $\partial B$ .

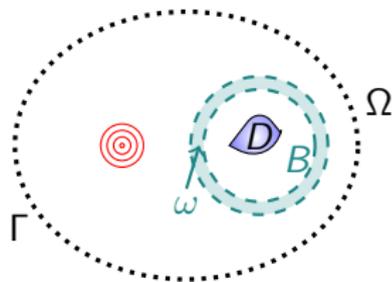
$\implies$  *TRAC*

### Reconstruction of the **total** wave field

exact

sum

**Aim:** recover the location, shape and properties of inclusion  $D$  from the reconstructed data on a reduced computational domain



To solve the inverse problem, we minimize the functional:

$$J(p) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \int_{\omega} |u(p) - u^{obs}|^2 dx dt + \frac{\alpha}{2} \int_B |\nabla p|^2 dx,$$

with  $p$  the parameter to reconstruct, such that:  $c^2(x) = c_0^2 + p(x)\chi_B(x)$  using

- *optimize-then-discretize* reduced-space approach
- BFGS algorithm
- finite elements method

### Adaptive process<sup>3</sup>:

From an initial guess  $p^{(0)}$ , look for parameter  $p$  in the space spanned by the  $K$  first eigenfunctions of the elliptic operator:

$$p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^K p_i \phi_i(x), \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} -\nabla \cdot (A(x) \nabla \phi_i) = \lambda_i \phi_i & \text{in } B, \\ \phi_i = 0 & \text{on } \partial B. \end{cases}$$

Matrix  $A$  is chosen with respect to the result obtained from the previous iteration:

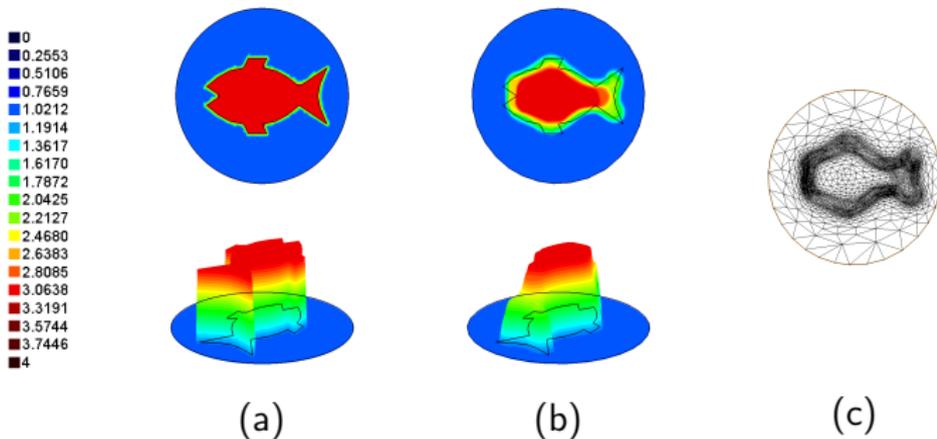
$$A(x) = \frac{1}{|\nabla p^{(0)}(x)|^q} Id.$$

+ Mesh adaptation

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<sup>3</sup>M. de Buhan, M. Kray. A new approach to solve the inverse scattering problem for waves: combining the TRAC and the Adaptive Inversion methods. *Inverse Problems*, 29(8), 2013.

Reconstruction of a fish: (from [de Buhan, K. 2013])



- (a) Exact propagation speed in  $B$
- (b) Reconstruction with AI from data on  $\omega$
- (c) Final mesh through adaptive process

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## Time-dependent Wave Splitting and Source Separation

New partial differential equation

- on a submanifold  $\Gamma$
- in the time-dependent domain
- local in space and time
- independent on the frequency spectrum

Method extendable to:

- 2 or more scatterers
- vector-valued wave equations from electromagnetics and elasticity
- improved accuracy with higher order absorbing boundary condition (more terms in the progressive wave expansion)

## Wave Splitting and adaptive eigenspace inversion for time-dependent inverse problems

Procedure in 3 steps:

- 1 **split the total wave field** to recover the incident wave field, necessary for the optimization process
- 2 incident and scattered wave fields reconstructed from split data by using the *TRAC* method
- 3 **adaptive eigenspace inversion** to solve the inverse problem from the reconstructed data (in progress)

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