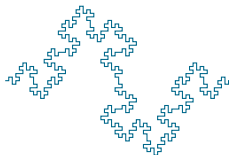


Modeling Underwater Acoustic Interface Waves

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INTRODUCTION

- ▶ Sound = pressure, pressure causes displacement
- ▶ Elastic Potential Theory
- ▶ Elastic Parabolic equation (PE)

Goal: Compare Elastic Potential Theory displacement to PE displacement

APPLICATIONS

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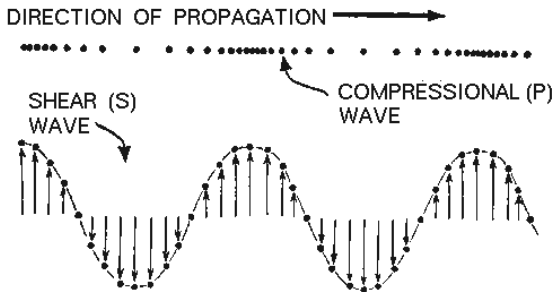
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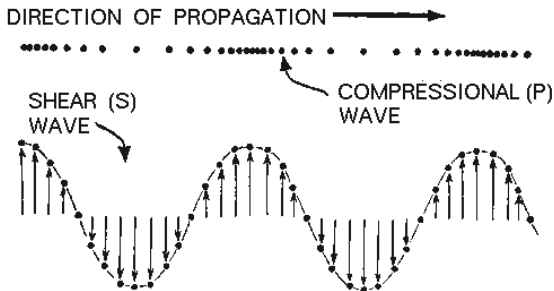


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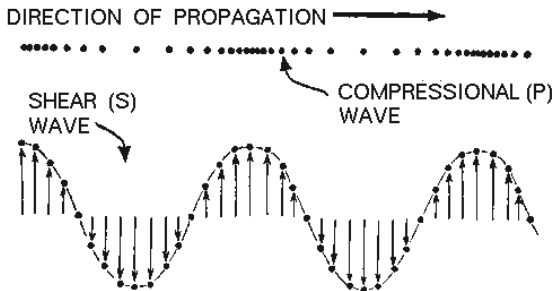


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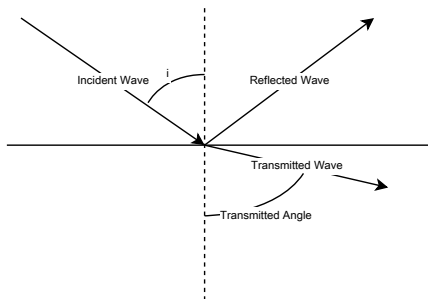
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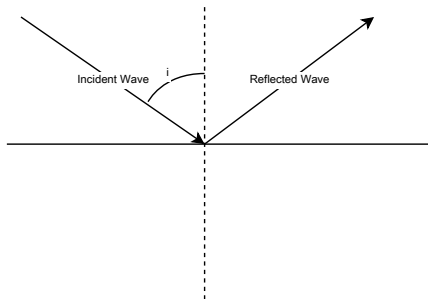
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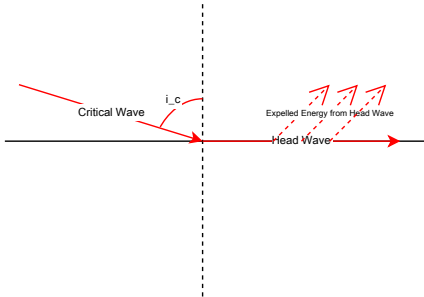
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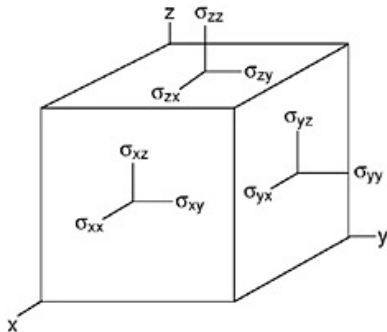
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RAYLEIGH WAVES



Stress components acting on an infinitesimal rectangular parallelepiped

- ▶ Stress in elastic media
 - ▶ $\sigma_{xy} = \sigma_{yx}$
 - ▶ $\sigma_{xz} = \sigma_{zx}$
 - ▶ $\sigma_{zy} = \sigma_{yz}$
 - ▶ Six independent components remain

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$$A\left(\frac{2\eta_\alpha}{c}\right) + B\left(\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 - \eta_\beta^2\right) = 0 \quad (5)$$

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Rewrite equations (3) and (4) as the matrix equation:

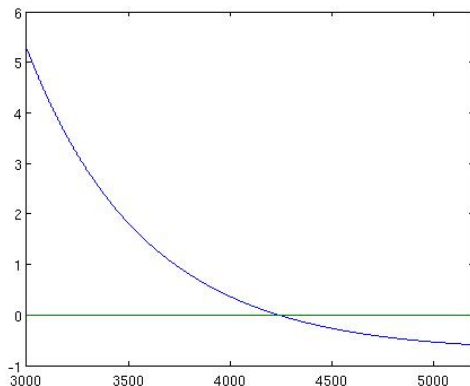
$$\begin{bmatrix} (\lambda + 2\mu)\eta_\alpha^2 + \lambda \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 & \left(\frac{2\mu\eta_\beta}{c}\right) \\ \frac{2\eta_\alpha}{c} & \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 - \eta_\beta^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

Nontrivial solutions exist where determinant equal to zero:

$$\left[(\lambda + 2\mu)\eta_\alpha^2 + \lambda \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 \right] \left(\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 - \eta_\beta^2 \right) - 4\mu \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 \eta_\alpha \eta_\beta = 0 \quad (7)$$

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Find c that allows a solution for A and B

Future Work: Use roots in eq. 3 to find Rayleigh Wave displacements for different media

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- ▶ Assume outgoing energy dominates incoming energy

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \begin{pmatrix} u_x \\ w \end{pmatrix} = i(L^{-1}M)^{1/2} \begin{pmatrix} u_x \\ w \end{pmatrix}. \quad (10)$$

This is the (u_x, w) parabolic equation for propagation in elastic and fluid media.

PARABOLIC EQUATION MODEL

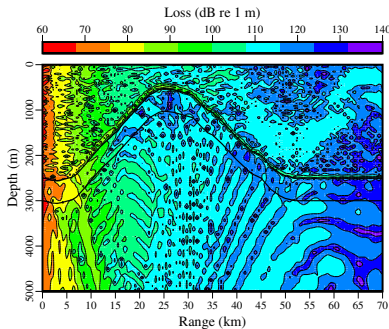
- ▶ Marching method
- ▶ Range dependent media
- ▶ Solves for pressure at every point in a range depth grid

Transmission Loss: Measure of signal weakening as it propagates outward from the source

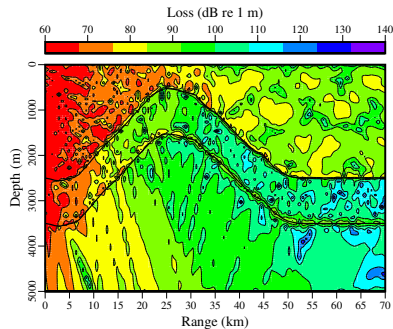
$$TL = -20 \log_{10} \left| \frac{p_r}{p_0} \right|$$

where p_0 is pressure near the source and p is pressure at the receiver

PARABOLIC EQUATION RESULTS



Compressional Source

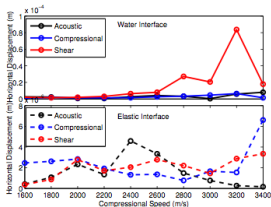


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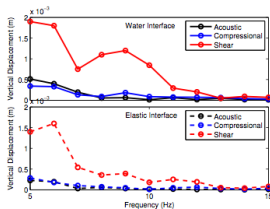
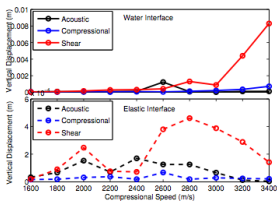
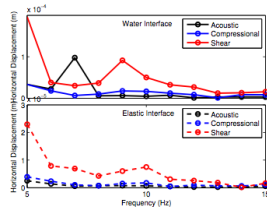
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Pressure output form PE at both interfaces

Soundspeed Analysis:



Frequency Analysis:



Future

Work: Compare these curves to theoretical displacement curves

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