

# Operator-Based Upscaling for the Elastic Wave Equation

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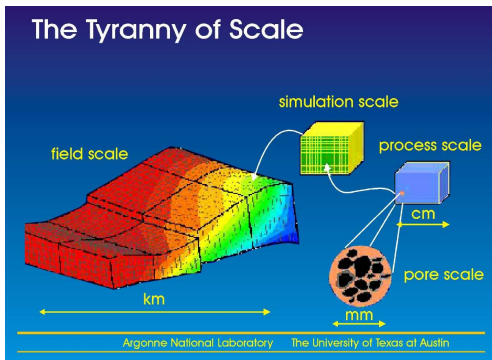
- Upscaling in the Context of Multiscale Methods
- Upscaling for the Elastic Wave Equation
  - Description of the Method
  - Numerical Implementation
  - Numerical Experiment
- Current and Future Work

# Multiscale Methods

- Why do we need multiscale methods?
  - Many processes in nature involve multiple scales.
- **Goal:** to design a numerical technique that
  - produces accurate solution on the coarse scale;
  - is more efficient than solving full fine scale problem.

## Multiscale problems:

- flow in porous media ( $10^{-2}$  -  $10^4$  m),
- composite materials ( $10^{-9}$  m - large scales depend on applications),
- protein folding ( $10^{-15}$  -  $10^{-1}$  s).



<http://www.ticam.utexas.edu/Groups/SubSurfMod/ACTI/IPARS.htm>

# Upscaling Methods

Highly detailed  
physical models

Upscaling  
→

Feasible  
simulation grids

Upscaling is the process of converting the problem from the fine scale where physical parameters are defined to a coarse scale.

- Averaging: Review by Renard and Marsily (1997).
- Renormalization: King (1989).
- Homogenization: Bensoussan, Lions, Papanicolaou (1978).
- Multiscale FEM: Hou, Wu (1997).
- Mortar Upscaling: Peszynska, Wheeler, Yotov (2002).
- Variational Multiscale Method: Hughes (1995).
- **Operator Upscaling**: Arbogast, Minkoff, Keenan (1998).
- Metric Upscaling: Owhadi et al. (2006).

# Numerical Simulation of Seismograms

## SEG Advanced Modeling “SEAM” project, Phase 1 model:

- simulates typical deep water sub-salt exploration regime,
- 28 km (W-E)  $\times$  30 km (N-S)  $\times$  15 km (depth) and 15 s.

## Computational cost:

- 10 m grid  $\implies 10^{10}$  spatial grid points,
- source bandwidth: 0 - 30 Hz  $\implies 30000$  time steps,
- number of simulations: 100000.

**Acoustic:** 20 FLOP per point  $\implies 10^{20}$  FLOP:

3000 years on a 1 GFLOPS desktop

**Elastic:** 100 FLOP per point  $\implies 5 \cdot 10^{20}$  FLOP:

15000 years on a 1 GFLOPS desktop

# Model problem: The Elastic Wave Equation

- Velocity/displacement formulation of the elastic equation:

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}(t, \mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{f},$$
$$\rho(\mathbf{x}) \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = \rho(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{v}(t, \mathbf{x}),$$

$\rho$  is density,  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  is the stress tensor.

- Weak formulation, Komatitsch et al. (1999):

$$\left( \rho \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t}, \mathbf{w} \right) = -(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \nabla \mathbf{w}) + (\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{w}),$$
$$\left( \rho \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t}, \mathbf{w} \right) = (\rho \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}).$$

- Eliminate components of the stress tensor:

$$\sigma_{i,j} = \lambda \sum_k^3 \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k} \delta_{ij} + \mu \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right).$$

## Weak Formulation (continued)

- First component of velocity:

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \rho \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial t}, w \right) &= - \left( (\lambda + 2\mu) \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial y} + \lambda \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \\ &\quad - \left( \mu \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial y} + \mu \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) \\ &\quad - \left( \mu \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial z} + \mu \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) + (f_1, w). \end{aligned}$$

- First component of displacement:

$$\left( \rho \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t}, w \right) = (\rho v_1, w).$$

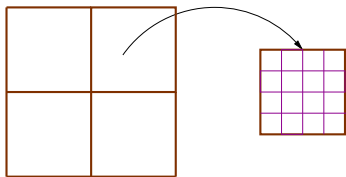
- Upscale both variables.

# Two-Scale Decomposition

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- Two-scale grid:



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- $\delta\mathbf{v}, \delta\mathbf{u}$  are the subgrid unknowns internal to each block.
- **Simplifying assumption:** Subgrid solutions are equal to zero on coarse block boundaries.

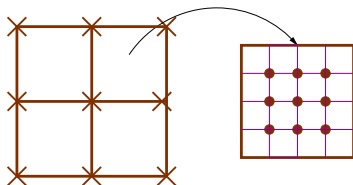


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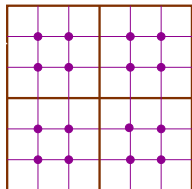
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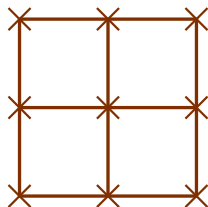
# Two-stage Algorithm

**Step 1:** On each coarse element solve the subgrid problem:



- Zero boundary conditions
- **Basis:** piecewise trilinear functions
- **Quadrature:** trapezoid rule
- **Mass matrix:** diagonal

**Step 2:** Use the subgrid solutions to solve the coarse-grid problem:



- Original boundary conditions
- Original fine-scale parameter fields
- **Basis:** piecewise trilinear functions
- **Quadrature:** subgrid trapezoid rule
- **Mass matrix:** banded (27 diagonals) and sparse

# Parallel Implementation

## Preprocessing:

- read input data and split it among processes,
- construct coarse grid system matrix.

## Time-step loop:

- **Subgrid problems:** embarrassingly parallel
  - no communication between processors,
  - no additional ghost-cell memory allocations,
  - diagonal linear system.
- **Coarse problem:**
  - Construct rhs locally and assemble global copy on all processes:
    - 3 velocity load vectors, 10 inner products each,
    - 3 displacement load vectors, 3 inner products each,
    - example:  $20 \times 20 \times 20$  coarse grid blocks  
 $20^3 \cdot (3 \cdot 10 + 3 \cdot 3) = 169,744$  triple integrals.
  - Solve linear system using SuperLU\_DIST or UMFPACK.

**Postprocessing:** reconstruct  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}^c + \delta\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}^c + \delta\mathbf{u}$ .

## Parallel Performance

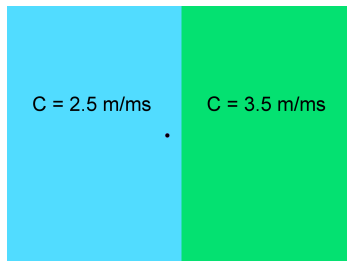
Number of processes	Time-step loop	Subgrid problems	Coarse problem
1	238.07	17.00	220.23
2	119.41	8.39	110.63
4	60.03	4.22	55.62
8	30.61	2.23	28.28
16	17.07	1.00	16.02
32	8.17	0.51	7.63
64	4.51	0.25	4.24
128	2.88	0.13	2.74

- Discretization:  $320 \times 320 \times 320$  fine grid blocks,  $32 \times 32 \times 32$  coarse grid blocks, 20 time steps.
- Full finite element code on a single process: 140.30 seconds.

# Acoustic Numerical Example

- Pressure-acceleration formulation:

$$\mathbf{u}(x, z, t) = -\nabla p(x, z, t),$$
$$\frac{1}{c^2(x, z)} \frac{\partial^2 p(x, z, t)}{\partial t^2} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}(x, z, t) = w(t)\delta(x, z)$$



- Upscale acceleration only
- Domain: 1000 × 1000 m and 250 ms
- Source: Ricker wavelet, peak frequency 15 Hz
- Fine grid: 200 × 200, coarse grid: 20 × 20

# Acoustic Numerical Example: Pressure

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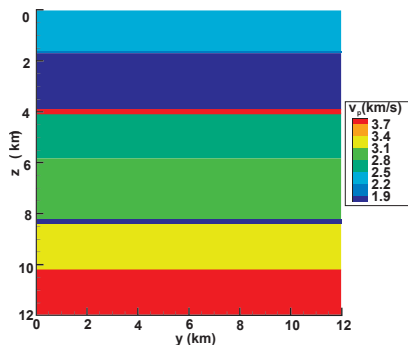
# Acoustic Numerical Example: Horizontal Acceleration

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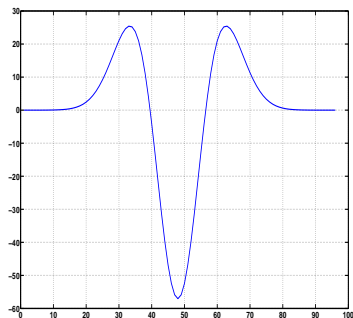
# Numerical Experiment I

- Domain:  $12 \times 12 \times 12$  km and 1.56 seconds.
- Source:  $\mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{x}) = Ah(t)g(|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_s|^2)\mathbf{a}$ ,
  - $h(t)$  is Ricker wavelet with peak frequency 1.7 Hz,
  - $g(|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_s|^2)$  is Gaussian.
- Fine grid:  $120 \times 120 \times 120$ , coarse grid  $24 \times 24 \times 24$ .
- Layered medium.

## Compressional Velocity



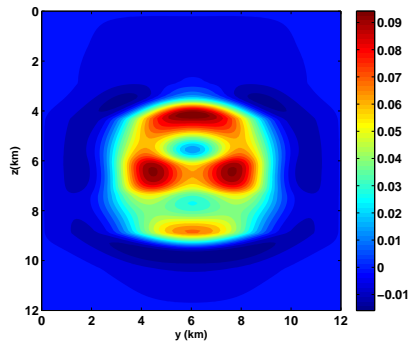
## Ricker Source



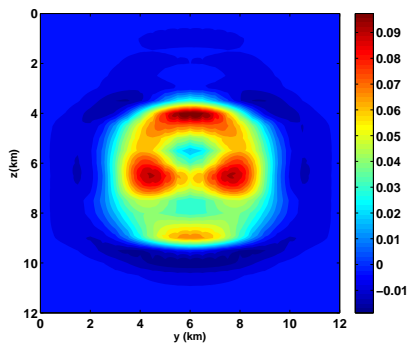


# 1st Component of the Velocity Solution (yz-plane), 3.7 km

Full finite-element  
solution

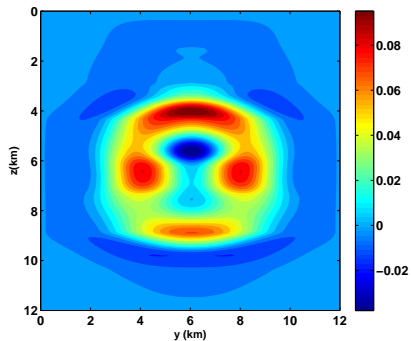


Reconstructed upscaled  
solution  $v_1^c + \delta v_1$

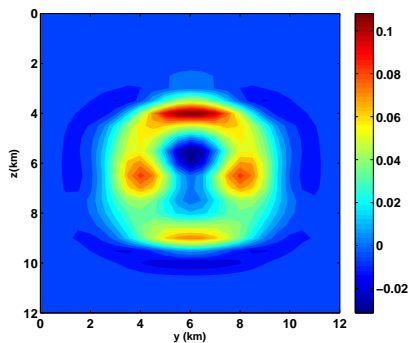


# 1st Component of the Velocity Solution (yz-plane), 4.0 km

Full finite-element  
solution



Coarse  
solution  $v_1^c$



# Summary

## What do we have?

- Elastic wave equation:
  - velocity/displacement formulation, 3D,
  - serial and parallel implementations,
  - numerical convergence.
  - Vdovina, Griffith, Minkoff (in revision)
- Acoustic wave equation:
  - pressure/acceleration formulation, 2D,
  - serial and parallel implementations,
  - convergence analysis confirmed by numerical experiments.
  - Vdovina, Minkoff, Korostyshevskaya (2005), Korostyshevskaya, Minkoff (2006), Vdovina, Minkoff (2008)

## Where do we go with this?

- Seismic inversion: progress report in my second talk

# Numerical Convergence

- Homogeneous medium
- Source function is chosen to produce closed form solutions
- Both fine and coarse grids are refined

Number of fine blocks	Number of coarse blocks	Number of time steps	$\frac{\ V_1 - v_1\ _\infty}{\ V_1\ _\infty}$	Rate
$50 \times 50 \times 50$	$5 \times 5 \times 5$	50	2.4554e-01	–
$100 \times 100 \times 100$	$10 \times 10 \times 10$	100	5.5976e-02	2.1
$200 \times 200 \times 200$	$20 \times 20 \times 20$	200	1.5578e-02	1.9
$400 \times 400 \times 400$	$40 \times 40 \times 40$	400	3.8776e-03	2.0

## Numerical Convergence (cont.)

- Fine grid is fixed, coarse grid is refined

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$200 \times 200 \times 200$	$5 \times 5 \times 5$	200	2.4770e-01	–
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