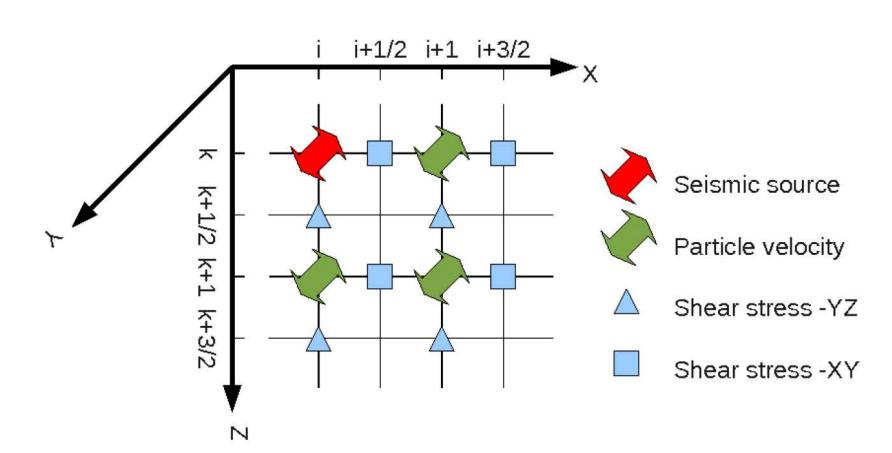
SH wave modelling by a staggered-grid method

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SH modelling method

A staggered grid for SH modelling



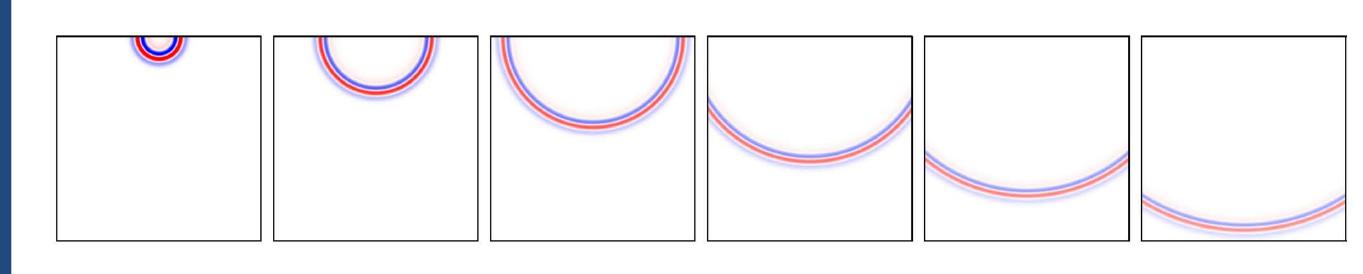
- The surface boundary condition is $\sigma_{23} = 0$.
- A method of combining absorbing boundary conditions (Clayton, 1977) and the nonreflecting boundary condition (Cerjan: 1985) is applied to the sides and bottom of subsurface models

Boundary conditions

Nith a buried seismic source in a homogenous meida, implementation of the free surface and computational boundaries at the bottom and the sides are proved to be working correctly.

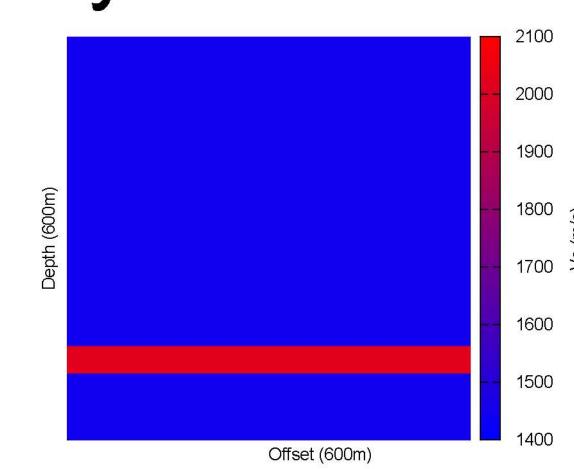
Surface seismic source

- Wave propagation velocity is measured to be correct.
- the amplitude scales as $\frac{1}{\sqrt{distance}}$. This is different from the spherical wave, which scales as $\frac{1}{distance}$.
- There is no surface wave generated in the homogeneous medium.

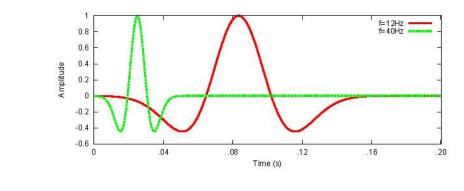


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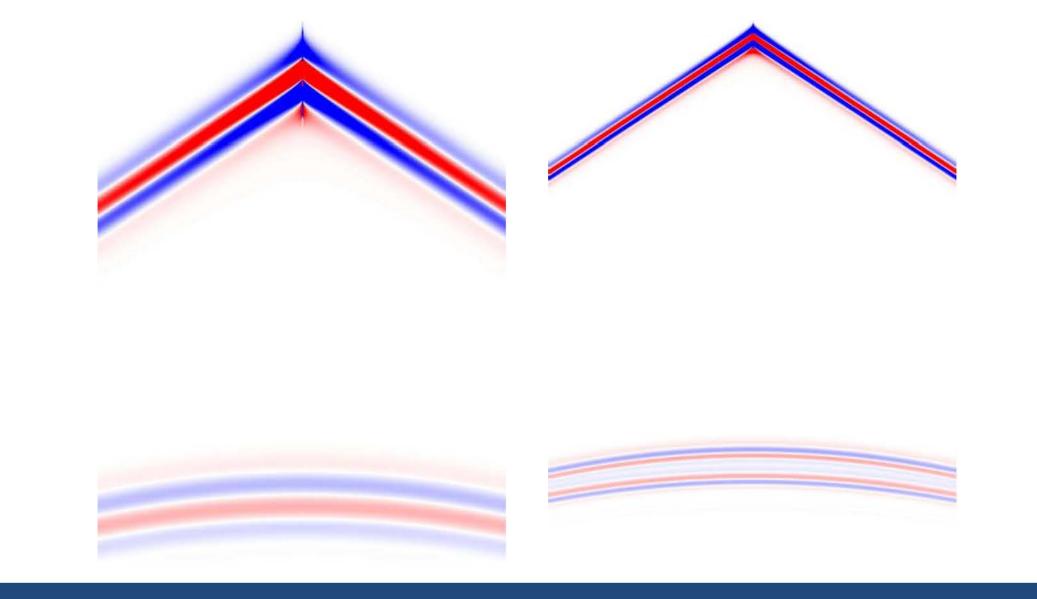
A thin layer model



Source frequencies

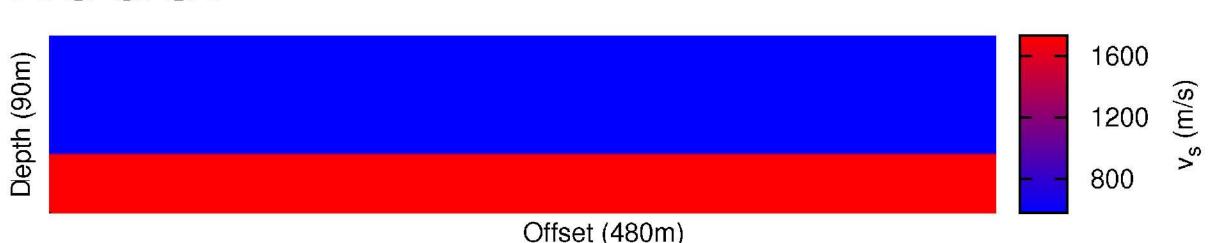


Surface records



Guided SH waves

A surface layer subsurface model



Snapshots in time order show guided SH waves

