

Analysis and Hermite spectral approximation of diffusive-viscous wave equations in unbounded domains arising in geophysics

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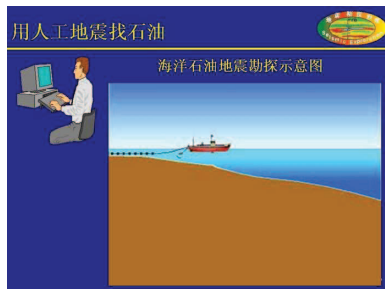
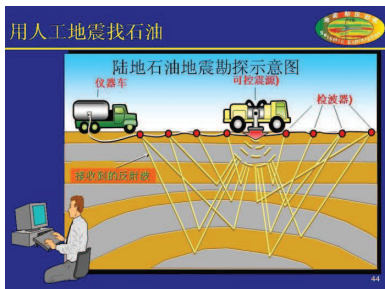
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Modeling of seismic wave

- Acoustic wave theory
- Elastic wave theory
- Biot's theory ([Biot 1956, 1962](#))
- Diffusive-viscous wave theory ([Knorreev, 2004](#))

Existing research works on DVWEs

- ✧ Interlayer-flow model using finite difference method ([Quintal et al. 2007](#))
- ✧ Seismic data-driven geological model ([Chen et al. 2013](#))
- ✧ Finite difference method ([Zhao et al. 2014, 2018](#))
- ✧ Finite volume method ([Mensah et al. 2019](#))
- ✧ Well-posedness of a general initial-boundary value problem ([Han et al. 2020](#))
- ✧ Finite element method ([Han et al. 2021, Zhao et al. 2022](#))
- ✧ Local discontinuous Galerkin method ([Ling et al. 2023](#))

Motivation

- ⌘ A main aspect for the DVWEs is **the non-reflection boundary conditions**.
- ⌘ Numerical simulations performed in bounded domains may generate **artificial reflections** due to the truncation of the model.
- ⌘ The perfectly matched layer boundary condition can be used to absorb the artificial reflections but **the implementation is more complex and more expensive**.
- ⌘ The **Hermite spectral method** is a good choice for unbounded domain problems and it enjoys **high accuracy** if the solution is smooth enough.

Our work

- ① Consider the DVWE without the truncation of the domain
- ② Establish the existence and uniqueness of the weak solution
- ③ Discuss the regularity of the solutions in terms of the initial conditions and the source term
- ④ Develop an efficient Hermite spectral Galerkin method and build its stability and error estimate

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The governing equation

The diffusive-viscous wave equation in unbounded domain is described as follows:

$$\partial_t^2 u + \alpha \partial_t u - \partial_t \operatorname{div}(\beta \nabla u) - \operatorname{div}(\gamma^2 \nabla u) = f, \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad t > 0 \quad (1)$$

subjecting to following initial conditions

$$u(\mathbf{x}, 0) = u_0(\mathbf{x}), \quad \partial_t u(\mathbf{x}, 0) = w_0(\mathbf{x}), \quad (2)$$

where d is the dimension in space, $u = u(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is the wave field, $\alpha = \alpha(\mathbf{x})$ and $\beta = \beta(\mathbf{x})$ are the diffusive and viscous attenuation parameters respectively, $\gamma = \gamma(\mathbf{x})$ is the wave propagation speed in the non-dispersive medium, $f = f(\mathbf{x}, t)$ is the source.

Weak formulation

Let $H^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ be the usual Sobolev space. By using the integration by parts, we have the weak form of the problem (1):

For a.e. $t \in (0, T)$, find $u(t)$, $\partial_t u(t) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\partial_t^2 u(t) \in H^{-1}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, such that

$$A(u, v) = (f, v), \quad \forall v \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^d) \quad (3)$$

with $u(\mathbf{x}, 0) = u_0(\mathbf{x})$, $\partial_t u(\mathbf{x}, 0) = w_0(\mathbf{x})$, where

$$A(u, v) := (\partial_t^2 u, v) + (\alpha \partial_t u, v) + (\beta \partial_t \nabla u, \nabla v) + (\gamma^2 \nabla u, \nabla v).$$

Well-posedness of the weak solution

Theorem (Ling & Mao, JSC, 2023)

Assume $u_0 \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $w_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $f \in L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(\mathbb{R}^d))$, then the weak problem (3) admits a unique solution

$u \in L^\infty(0, T; H^1(\mathbb{R}^d))$, $\partial_t u \in L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)) \cap L^2(0, T; H^1(\mathbb{R}^d))$, and $\partial_t^2 u \in L^2(0, T; H^{-1}(\mathbb{R}^d))$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_t u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; L^2(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|\partial_t u\|_{L^2(0, T; H^1(\mathbb{R}^d))} \\ + \|u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^1(\mathbb{R}^d))} \leq C(u_0, w_0, f). \end{aligned}$$

Regularity of the weak solution

Theorem (Ling & Mao, JSC, 2023)

Assume α, β, γ are constants, let u be the solution of (3), if $u_0 \in H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $w_0 \in H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $f \in H^1(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))$, $k \geq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\partial_t^2 u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|\partial_t u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^{k+1}(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d))} \\ & + \|\partial_t^2 u\|_{L^2(0, T; H^{k+1}(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|\partial_t u\|_{L^2(0, T; H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d))} \\ & \leq C \left(\|f\|_{H^1(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|w_0\|_{H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)} + \|u_0\|_{H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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Hermite polynomials

The orthonormal Hermite polynomials $\{H_n(x)\}$ are defined in \mathbb{R} by the three-term recurrence relation:

$$H_0(x) = \pi^{-1/4}, \quad H_1(x) = \sqrt{2}\pi^{-1/4}x,$$
$$H_{n+1}(x) = x\sqrt{\frac{2}{n+1}}H_n(x) - \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}}H_{n-1}(x), \quad n \geq 1.$$

Weighted orthogonality:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H_m(x)H_n(x)\omega(x)dx = \delta_{mn}, \quad \omega(x) = e^{-x^2}.$$

Denote $P_N(x)$ the space of the polynomials of degree at most N , i.e.

$$P_N(x) = \text{span}\{H_0(x), H_1(x), \dots, H_N(x)\}.$$

Hermite functions

Let us introduce the Hermite orthogonal functions

$$\phi_j(x) = e^{-x^2/2} H_j(x), \quad j = 0, 1, \dots,$$

which form an orthogonal basis in $L^2(\mathbb{R})$, i.e.,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \phi_m(x) \phi_n(x) dx = \delta_{mn}.$$

Let

$$\mathcal{P}_N(x) = \left\{ e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} v \mid v \in P_N(x) \right\} = \text{span}\{\phi_0(x), \phi_1(x), \dots, \phi_N(x)\},$$

and denote V_N the d dimension tensor product of \mathcal{P}_N .

Hermite spectral Galerkin scheme

The Hermite spectral Galerkin approximation to (3) is to find $u_N(t)$, $\partial_t u_N(t) \in V_N$, such that for any $v \in V_N$

$$A(u_N, v) = (f, v), \quad \forall v \in V_N, \quad (4)$$

where $u_N(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \hat{\Pi}_N u_0$, $\partial_t u_N(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \hat{\Pi}_N w_0$ and V_N is the d dimension tensor product of \mathcal{P}_N , $\hat{\Pi}_N$ is the L^2 projection defined as follows:

Projection

Recall the orthogonal projection $\Pi_N : L^2_\omega(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow P_N^d$,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\Pi_N u - u) v_N \omega(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = 0, \quad \forall v_N \in P_N^d.$$

Note that for any $u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$, we have $u\omega^{-1/2} \in L^2_\omega(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Define

$$\hat{\Pi}_N u := \omega^{1/2} \Pi_N(u\omega^{-1/2}) \in V_N.$$

Then for $u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$, we derive immediately the following

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\hat{\Pi}_N u - u) v_N d\mathbf{x} = 0, \quad \forall v_N \in V_N.$$

Approximation theory

Define the operator $\hat{\partial}_{x_j} = \partial_{x_j} + x_j$, $\hat{\partial}_{\mathbf{x}} := \prod_{j=1}^d \hat{\partial}_{x_j}$, $\hat{\partial}_{\mathbf{x}}^{\mathbf{k}} := \prod_{j=1}^d \hat{\partial}_{x_j}^{k_j}$ and weighted Sobolev spaces:

$$\hat{B}^m(\mathbb{R}^d) := \{u : \hat{\partial}_{\mathbf{x}}^{\mathbf{k}} u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d), 0 \leq |\mathbf{k}|_1 \leq m\}, \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$\|u\|_{\hat{B}^m(\mathbb{R}^d)} = \left(\sum_{0 \leq |\mathbf{k}|_1 \leq m} \|\hat{\partial}_{\mathbf{x}}^{\mathbf{k}} u\|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad |u|_{\hat{B}^m(\mathbb{R}^d)} = \left(\sum_{j=1}^d \|\hat{\partial}_{x_j}^m u\|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Lemma

For any $u \in \hat{B}^m(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with $m \geq 1$, we have

$$\|\hat{\Pi}_N u - u\|_{H^\mu(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq C N^{(\mu-m)/2} |u|_{\hat{B}^m(\mathbb{R}^d)}, \quad 0 \leq \mu \leq m.$$

Error estimate

Let us denote the errors as follows:

$$e_N = u - u_N = \xi_N + \eta_N, \quad \xi_N = \hat{\Pi}_N u - u_N, \quad \eta_N = u - \hat{\Pi}_N u.$$

Triangle inequality:

$$\|e_N\| = \|\xi_N + \eta_N\| \leq \|\xi_N\| + \|\eta_N\|.$$

Error equation:

$$A(u - u_N, v) = 0, \quad \forall v \in V_N \quad \implies \quad A(\xi_N, v) = -A(\eta_N, v).$$

Theorem (Ling & Mao, JSC, 2023)

Let u and u_N be the solutions of the weak problem (3) and the Hermite spectral Galerkin scheme (4), respectively. Assume $u_0 \in \hat{B}_\mu(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $w_0 \in \hat{B}_\nu(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\partial_t^2 u(t) \in L^2(0, T; \hat{B}_p(\mathbb{R}^d))$, and

$$\begin{aligned} u(t) &\in L^2(0, T; \hat{B}_r(\mathbb{R}^d)) \cap L^\infty(0, T; \hat{B}_s(\mathbb{R}^d)), \\ \partial_t u(t) &\in L^2(0, T; \hat{B}_q(\mathbb{R}^d)) \cap L^\infty(0, T; \hat{B}_\tau(\mathbb{R}^d)), \end{aligned}$$

with $t \geq 0$, $q, s > 1$, $p, \mu, \nu, \tau > 0$, then there holds

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_t e_N\| + \|e_N\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^d)} &\lesssim N^{-\frac{p}{2}} |\partial_t^2 u|_{L^2(0, T; \hat{B}_p(\mathbb{R}^d))} + N^{\frac{1-q}{2}} |\partial_t u|_{L^2(0, T; \hat{B}_q(\mathbb{R}^d))} \\ &\quad + N^{-\frac{\tau}{2}} |\partial_t u|_{L^\infty(0, T; \hat{B}_\tau(\mathbb{R}^d))} + N^{\frac{1-r}{2}} |u|_{L^2(0, T; \hat{B}_r(\mathbb{R}^d))} \\ &\quad + N^{\frac{1-s}{2}} |u|_{L^\infty(0, T; \hat{B}_s(\mathbb{R}^d))} + N^{-\frac{\mu}{2}} |u_0|_{\hat{B}_\mu(\mathbb{R}^d)} + N^{-\frac{\nu}{2}} |w_0|_{\hat{B}_\nu(\mathbb{R}^d)}. \end{aligned}$$

Recall that if

$u_0 \in H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $w_0 \in H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $f \in H^1(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))$, $k \geq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\partial_t^2 u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|\partial_t u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^{k+1}(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|u\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d))} \\ & + \|\partial_t^2 u\|_{L^2(0, T; H^{k+1}(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|\partial_t u\|_{L^2(0, T; H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d))} \\ & \leq C \left(\|f\|_{H^1(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))} + \|w_0\|_{H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)} + \|u_0\|_{H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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Let u and u_N be the solutions of the weak problem (3) and the Hermite spectral Galerkin scheme (4), respectively. If $u, \partial_t u, \partial_t^2 u$ decay sufficiently fast at infinity, α, β, γ are sufficiently smooth, and $f \in H^1(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))$, $u_0 \in H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $w_0 \in H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$, then the error estimate is reduced as

$$\|\partial_t e_N\| + \|e_N\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq CN^{-\frac{k+1}{2}},$$

where C is independent of N and just depends on α, β, γ as well as $\|f\|_{H^1(0, T; H^k(\mathbb{R}^d))}$, $\|u_0\|_{H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)}$, $\|w_0\|_{H^{k+2}(\mathbb{R}^d)}$.

Time discretization

Let us recall the Hermite spectral Galerkin method: find $u_N(t)$, $\partial_t u_N(t) \in V_N$, such that for any $v \in V_N$

$$(\partial_t^2 u_N, v) + (\alpha \partial_t u_N, v) + (\beta \partial_t \nabla u_N, \nabla v) + (\gamma^2 \nabla u_N, \nabla v) = (f, v).$$

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By introducing an auxiliary variable $w_N = \partial_t u_N$, we rewrite it as the following ODE system:

$$\begin{cases} (\partial_t u_N, v_1) = (w_N, v_1), \\ (\partial_t w_N, v_2) + (\alpha w_N, v_2) + (\beta \nabla w_N, \nabla v_2) + (\gamma^2 \nabla u_N, \nabla v_2) = (f, v_2). \end{cases}$$

Then the explicit or implicit time discretization methods can be used, e.g. RK3, Crank-Nicolson, BDFs.

Fully-discrete scheme

Take the BDF1 as an example: let $\delta_\tau u_N^{k+1} = \frac{1}{\tau}(u_N^{k+1} - u_N^k)$

$$(\delta_\tau u_N^{k+1}, v_1) = (w_N^{k+1}, v_1),$$

$$(\delta_\tau w_N^{k+1}, v_2) + (\alpha w_N^{k+1}, v_2) + (\beta \nabla w_N^{k+1}, \nabla v_2) + (\gamma^2 \nabla u_N^{k+1}, \nabla v_2) = (f^{k+1}, v_2).$$

The key is to solve the second equation, which is equivalent to the following problem:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Find } u_N \in V_N \text{ such that} \\ (au_N, v) + (b\nabla u_N, \nabla v) = (f, v), \quad \forall v \in V_N. \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Implementation in 1D case

1D case:

$$V_N = \text{span}\{\varphi_i(x) : i = 0, 1, \dots, N\}.$$

We denote

$$u_N = \sum_{i=0}^N \hat{u}_i \varphi_i(x), \quad \mathbf{u} = (\hat{u}_0, \hat{u}_1, \dots, \hat{u}_N)^T,$$

$$f_i = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \varphi_i(x) dx, \quad \mathbf{f} = (f_0, f_1, \dots, f_N)^T,$$

$$m_{ij} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} a(x) \varphi_i(x) \varphi_j(x) dx, \quad M = (m_{ij})_{i,j=0,1,\dots,N},$$

$$s_{ij} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} b(x) \varphi'_i(x) \varphi'_j(x) dx, \quad S = (s_{ij})_{i,j=0,1,\dots,N}.$$

Then (5) yields to the following linear system:

$$(M + S)\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}.$$

Implementation in 2D case

If $a(x, y)$ and $b(x, y)$ are constants, i.e.

$$a(x, y) \equiv a, \quad b(x, y) \equiv b,$$

then we denote

$$\begin{aligned} U &= (\hat{u}_{nm})_{n,m=0,1,\dots,N}, & F &= (f_{ij})_{i,j=0,1,\dots,N}, \\ m_{ij} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi_i(x) \varphi_j(x) dx, & M &= (m_{ij})_{i,j=0,1,\dots,N}, \\ s_{ij} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi'_i(x) \varphi'_j(x) dx, & S &= (s_{ij})_{i,j=0,1,\dots,N}. \end{aligned}$$

And we can get the following equivalent linear system

$$aMUM^T + b(SUM^T + MUS^T) = F. \quad (6)$$

Matrix diagonalization method

Consider the generalized eigenvalue problem

$$Mx = \lambda Sx. \quad (7)$$

Let Λ be the diagonal matrix whose diagonal entries $\{\lambda_k\}$ are the eigenvalues of (7), and E be the matrix whose columns are the corresponding eigenvectors of (7), that is to say,

$$ME = SE\Lambda.$$

Then we set $U = EWE^T$ in (6) and can obtain

$$aSE\Lambda W\Lambda^T E^T S^T + b(SEW\Lambda^T E^T S^T + SE\Lambda W E^T S^T) = F. \quad (8)$$

Matrix diagonalization method

Multiplying the left (resp. right) of (8) by $(SE)^{-1}$ (resp. $(SE)^{-T}$) gives

$$a\Lambda W\Lambda^T + b(W\Lambda^T + \Lambda W) = (SE)^{-1}F(SE)^{-T} := G.$$

It is equivalent to

$$(a\lambda_i\lambda_j + b(\lambda_j + \lambda_i))w_{ij} = g_{ij}, \quad i, j = 0, 1, \dots, N, \quad (9)$$

where w_{ij} and g_{ij} are the entries of W and G respectively.

Efficient implementation

An efficient implementation for solving (6) can be summarized into the following steps:

- ① Pre-processing: compute the generalized eigenvalue problem (7) to obtain the eigenvalues Λ and eigenvectors E and compute $(SE)^{-1}$;
- ② Compute $G = (SE)^{-1}F(SE)^{-T}$;
- ③ Obtain W from (9);
- ④ Set $U = EWE^T$.

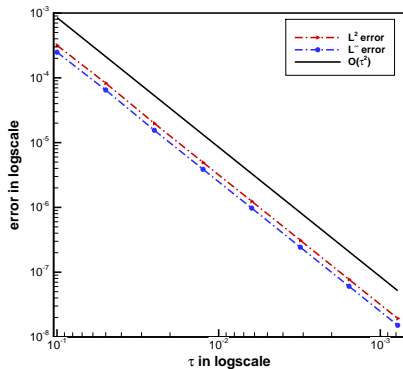
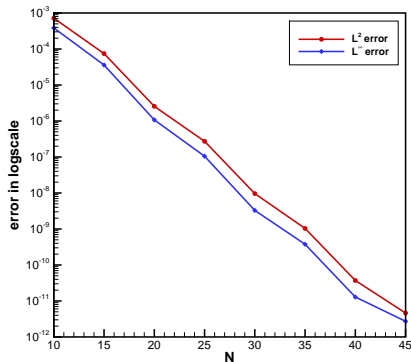
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Accuracy tests—CN

2D DVWEs with $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 1$:

$$u(x, y, 0) = e^{-(x^2+y^2)}, \quad u_t(x, y, 0) = -e^{-(x^2+y^2)}, \quad f = 0.$$

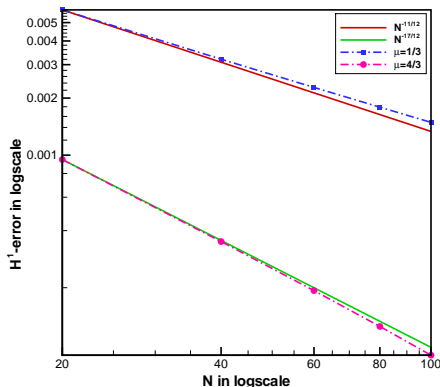


Regularity tests

We set $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 1, u = u_t = 0$ and the source function is

$$u(x, 0) = u_t(x, 0) = 0, \quad f(x, t) = x^\mu e^{-x^2} \cos(t).$$

When $\mu = 1/3$ and $\mu = 4/3$, the expected convergence rates of $\|e\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R})}$ are almost $11/12$ and $17/12$ respectively, according to (5).



Wave propagation within homogeneous medium

We set the parameters as $\alpha = 1$, $\beta = 0.01$ and $\gamma = 20$. A Ricker wavelet with dominant frequency of 15Hz located at $(x_0, y_0) = (10, 10)$ is used to generate the vibration. The source function is taken as follows

$$f(x, y, t) = g(x, y)h(t), \quad g(x, y) = e^{-[(x-x_0)^2 + (y-y_0)^2]}, \quad (10)$$

and

$$h(t) = [1 - 2(\pi f_0(t - t_0))^2]e^{-(\pi f_0(t-t_0))^2} \quad (11)$$

with the dominant frequency $f_0 = 15$ and the time delay $t_0 = 0.05$.

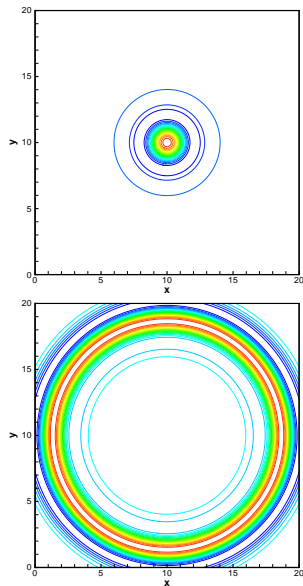
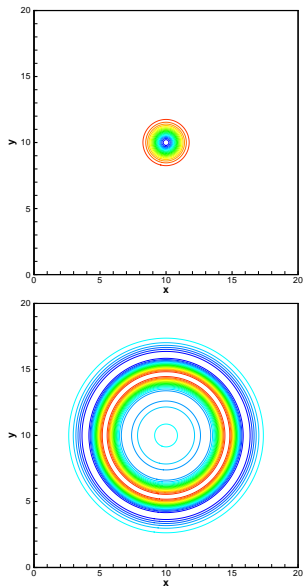


Figure 1: Contours of the numerical approximations at $T = 0.005, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5$ with $N = 200$.

Wave propagation within heterogeneous media

Now we consider the wave propagation within two different media.
The parameters are set as

$$(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \begin{cases} (1.0, 0.02, 15.6), & \text{if } y \leq 16.5, \\ (2.5, 0.05, 20.4), & \text{if } y > 16.5. \end{cases}$$

The source function is defined as that in (10) and (11) with $(x_0, y_0) = (15, 15)$, $f_0 = 20$ and $t_0 = 0.05$.

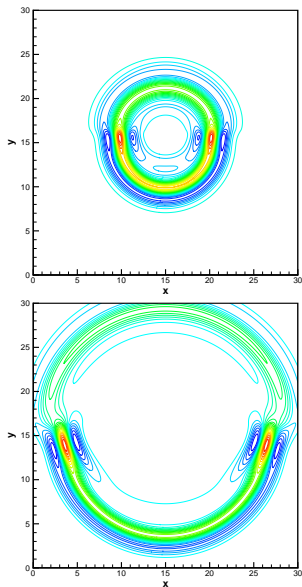
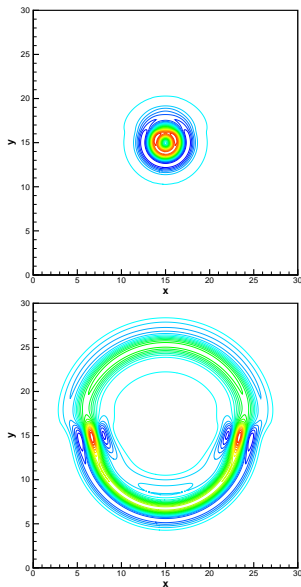


Figure 2: Contours of the numerical approximations at $T = 0.15, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8$ with $N = 300$.

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Summary

- ① The diffusive-viscous wave model in unbounded domains is considered.
- ② We analyzed the existence, uniqueness and regularity of the weak solution.
- ③ We further developed a high accuracy Hermite spectral Galerkin method and then derived the error estimate.
- ④ Several numerical examples are provided to demonstrate the effectiveness of the present algorithm.

Thanks for your attention!
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