

# 02FD\_2D\_Acoustic-V1

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## 1 2D Acoustic Wave Equation

This exercise from [seismo-live](#) covers the following aspects:

- Presenting you with an implementation of the 2D acoustic wave equation
- Allowing you to explore the benefits of using high-order finite-difference operators
- Understanding the concepts of stability (Courant criterion)
- Exploration of numerical dispersion and numerical grid anisotropy
- Changing the earth model and exploring some effects of structural heterogeneities (e.g., fault zones)

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### NOTE

1. This is the original version, with minor modifications that enable rerunning the code with reinitialization of all the fields.
2. The animation is very basic, and only runs once. No video is saved. There are no controls of the animation.
3. For a version with animation controls and video saving, see the V2.

### 1.1 Basic Equations

The acoustic wave equation in the 2D  $x$ - $z$  plane is

$$\ddot{u}(x, z, t) = c(x, z)^2(\partial_x^2 u(x, z, t) + \partial_z^2 u(x, z, t)) + f(x, z, t)$$

and we replace the time-dependent (upper index time, lower indices space) part by

$$\frac{u_{j,k}^{n+1} - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k}^{n-1}}{\Delta t^2} = c_j^2(\partial_x^2 u + \partial_z^2 u) + u_{j,k}^n.$$

Solving for  $u_{j,k}^{n+1}$ , the explicit time-integration scheme is

$$u_{j,k}^{n+1} = c_j^2 \Delta t^2 [\partial_x^2 u + \partial_z^2 u] + 2u_{j,k}^n - u_{j,k}^{n-1} + \Delta t^2 f_{j,k}^n$$

The spatial derivatives are approximated by

$$\partial_x^2 u = \frac{u_{j+1,k}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j-1,k}^n}{\Delta x^2}$$

$$\partial_z^2 u = \frac{u_{j,k+1}^n - 2u_{j,k}^n + u_{j,k-1}^n}{\Delta z^2}$$


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### 1.1.1 1. Getting started

Relate the time extrapolation loop with the numerical algorithm we developed in the course. Understand the input parameters for the simulation and the plots that are generated. Modify source and receiver locations and observe the effects on the seismograms.

### 1.1.2 2. Stability

The Courant criterion is defined as  $r = (v \cdot \Delta t) / \Delta x$  and provides the maximum possible, stable time step, with  $v$  being the velocity,  $\Delta t$  the time step and  $\Delta x$  the spatial step. Determine numerically the stability limit of the code as accurately as possible by increasing the time step. Print the max value of the pressure field at each time step and observe the evolution of it in the case of stable and unstable simulations.

### 1.1.3 3. Numerical anisotropy

Increase the frequency of the wavefield by varying  $f_0$ . Investigate the angular dependence of the wavefield. Why does the wavefield look anisotropic? Which direction is the most accurate and why? What happens if you set the source time function to a spike (zero everywhere except one element with value 1).

### 1.1.4 4. Heterogeneous models

Change the various pre-implemented heterogeneous models. Invent a heterogeneous model of your liking and implement it appropriately.

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[1]: # This is a configuration step for the exercise. Please run it before the
      ↪simulation code!
import numpy as np
%matplotlib widget
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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Below is the 2D acoustic simulation code:

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[2]: # Simple finite difference solver
      # Acoustic wave equation  $u_{tt} = c^2 u_{xx} + src$ 
      # 2-D regular grid

nx = 200      # grid points in x - 500
nz = 200      # grid points in z - 500
nt = 1000     # number of time steps
dx = 10.0     # grid increment in x - 1
dt = 0.001    # Time step
c0 = 3000.0   # velocity (can be an array) - 580
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isx = nx // 2 # source index x - 250
isz = nz // 2 # source index z - 250
ist = 100     # shifting of source time function
f0 = 50.0     # dominant frequency of source (Hz)
isnap = 10    # snapshot frequency
T = 1.0 / f0  # dominant period
nop = 5       # length of operator

# Model type, available are "homogeneous", "fault_zone",
# "surface_low_velocity_zone", "random", "topography",
# "slab"
model_type = "topography"
model_type = "slab"
model_type = "fault_zone"

# Receiver locations
irx = np.array([60, 80, 100, 120, 140])
irz = np.array([5, 5, 5, 5, 5])
seis = np.zeros((len(irx), nt))

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[3]: # Initialize velocity model (the fun bit!)
c = np.zeros((nz, nx))

if model_type == "homogeneous":
    c += c0
elif model_type == "fault_zone":
    c += c0
    c[:, nx // 2 - 5: nx // 2 + 5] *= 0.8
elif model_type == "surface_low_velocity_zone":
    c += c0
    c[1:10,:] *= 0.8
elif model_type == "random":
    pert = 0.4
    r = 2.0 * (np.random.rand(nz, nx) - 0.5) * pert
    c += c0 * (1 + r)
elif model_type == "topography":
    c += c0
    c[0 : 10, 10 : 50] = 0
    c[0 : 10, 105 : 115] = 0
    c[0 : 30, 145 : 170] = 0
    c[10 : 40, 20 : 40] = 0
    c[0 : 15, 50 : 105] *= 0.8
elif model_type == "slab":
    c += c0
    c[110 : 125, 0 : 125] = 1.4 * c0
    for i in range(110, 180):
        c[i, i-5 : i + 15] = 1.4 * c0

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else:
    raise NotImplementedError

cmax = c.max()

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[4]: # Source time function is derivative of Gaussian
src = np.empty(nt + 1)
for it in range(nt):
    src[it] = np.exp(-1.0 / T ** 2 * ((it - ist) * dt) ** 2)
# Take the first derivative
src = np.diff(src) / dt
src[nt - 1] = 0

[5]: # Plot preparation
unew = np.zeros((nz, nx))
v = max([np.abs(src.min()), np.abs(src.max())])
# Initialize animated plot
image = plt.imshow(unew, interpolation='nearest', animated=True,
                   vmin=-v, vmax=+v, cmap=plt.cm.RdBu)

# Plot the receivers
for x, z in zip(irx, irz):
    plt.text(x, z, '+')

plt.text(isx, isz, 'o')
plt.colorbar()
plt.xlabel('ix')
plt.ylabel('iz')

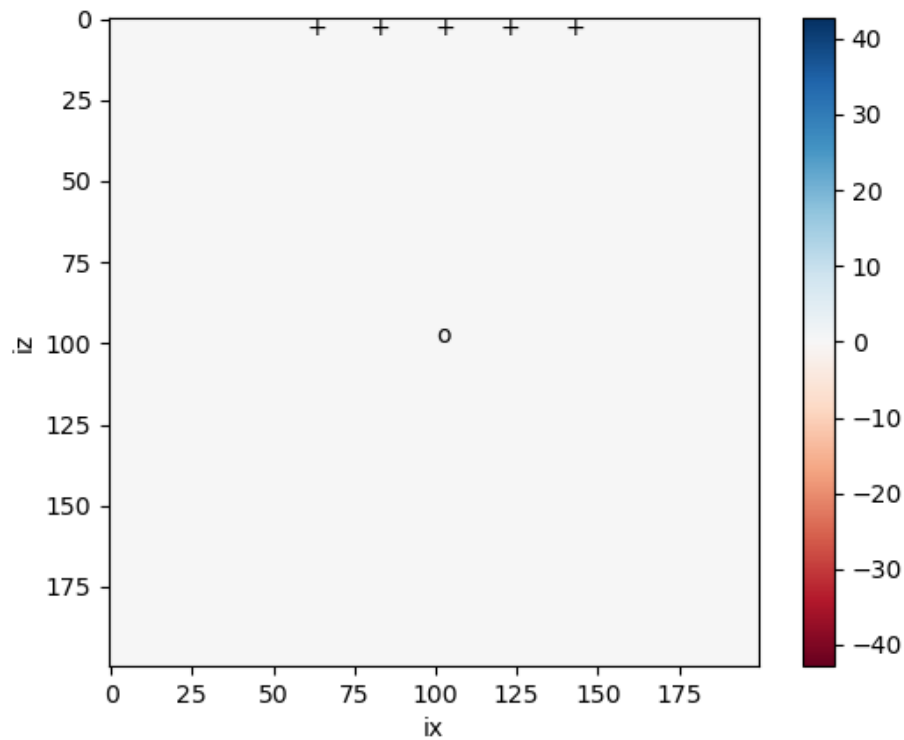
plt.ion()
#plt.show(block=False)

# required for seismograms
ir = np.arange(len(irx))

# Output Courant criterion
print("Courant Criterion r :")
print(cmax*dt/dx)

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Courant Criterion r :  
0.3



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[6]: # Initialize pressure at different time steps and the second
      # derivatives in each direction
      u = np.zeros((nz, nx))
      uold = np.zeros((nz, nx))
      unew = np.zeros((nz, nx))
      uxx = np.zeros((nz, nx))
      uzz = np.zeros((nz, nx))

      # Time extrapolation
      for it in range(nt):
          if nop==3:
              # calculate partial derivatives, be careful around the boundaries
              for i in range(1, nx - 1):
                  uzz[:, i] = u[:, i + 1] - 2 * u[:, i] + u[:, i - 1]
              for j in range(1, nz - 1):
                  uxx[j, :] = u[j - 1, :] - 2 * u[j, :] + u[j + 1, :]

          if nop==5:
              # calculate partial derivatives, be careful around the boundaries
              for i in range(2, nx - 2):
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        uzz[:, i] = -1./12*u[:,i+2]+4./3*u[:,i+1]-5./2*u[:,i]+4./3*u[:,
↪ i-1]-1./12*u[:,i-2]
        for j in range(2, nz - 2):
            uxx[j, :] = -1./12*u[j+2,:]+4./3*u[j+1,:]-5./2*u[j,:]+4./3*u[j-1,:
↪]-1./12*u[j-2,:]

    uxx /= dx ** 2
    uzz /= dx ** 2

    # Time extrapolation
    unew = 2 * u - uold + dt ** 2 * c ** 2 * (uxx + uzz)
    # Add source term at isx, isz
    unew[isz, isx] = unew[isz, isx] + src[it]

    # Plot every isnap-th iteration
    if it % isnap == 0:      # you can change the speed of the plot by increasing ↪
↪ the plotting interval

        plt.title("Max u: %.2f" % u.max())
        image.set_data(unew)
        plt.gcf().canvas.draw()

    uold, u = u, unew

    # Save seismograms
    seis[ir, it] = u[irz[ir], irx[ir]]

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The cell below allows you to plot source time function, seismic velocities, and the resulting seismograms in windows inside the notebook. Remember to rerun after you simulated again!

[7]: # Plot the source time function and the seismograms

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plt.ioff()
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))

plt.subplot(221)
time = np.arange(nt) * dt
plt.plot(time, src)
plt.title('Source time function')
plt.xlabel('Time (s) ')
plt.ylabel('Source amplitude ')

#plt.subplot(222)
#ymax = seis.ravel().max()
#for ir in range(len(seis)):
#    plt.plot(time, seis[ir, :] + ymax * ir)

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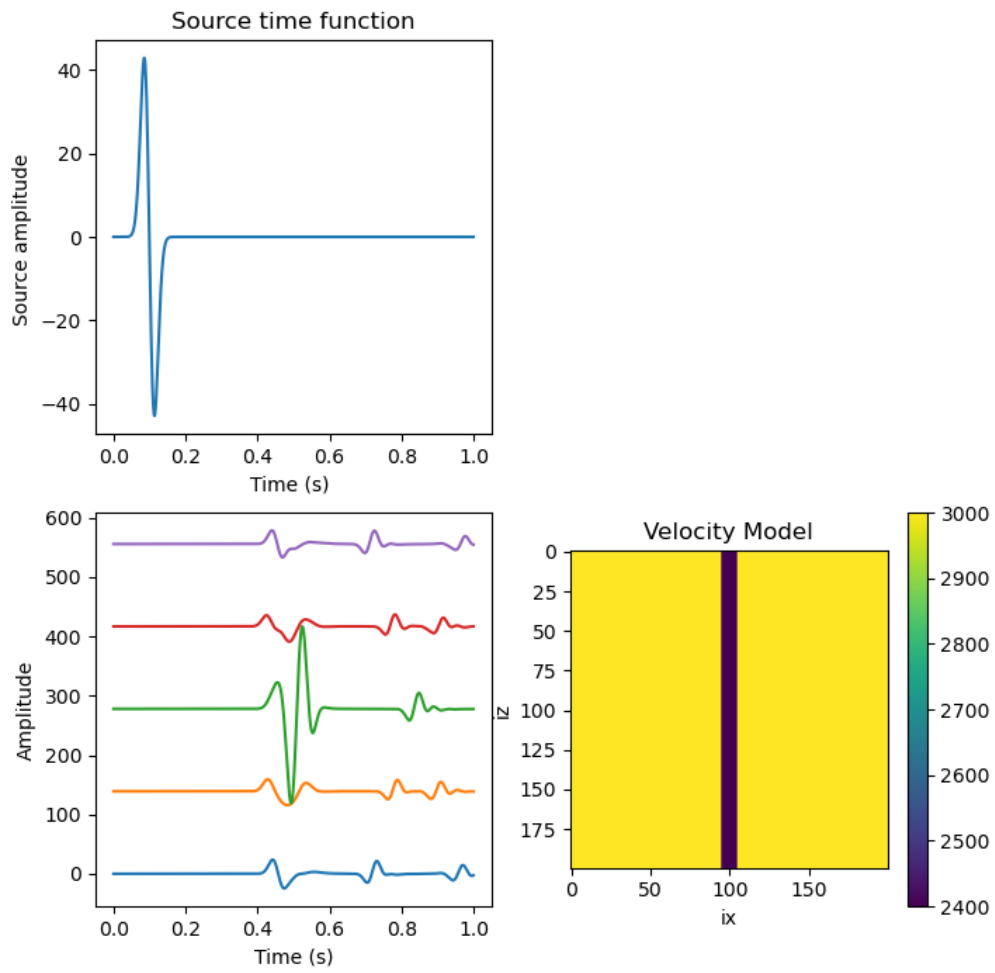
#     plt.xlabel('Time (s)')
#     plt.ylabel('Amplitude')

plt.subplot(223)
ymax = seis.ravel().max()
for ir in range(len(seis)):
    plt.plot(time, seis[ir, :] + ymax * ir)
    plt.xlabel('Time (s)')
    plt.ylabel('Amplitude')

plt.subplot(224)
# The velocity model is influenced by the Earth model above
plt.title('Velocity Model')
plt.imshow(c)
plt.xlabel('ix')
plt.ylabel('iz')
plt.colorbar()

plt.show()

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