

L-sweeps: A scalable parallel high-frequency Helmholtz solver

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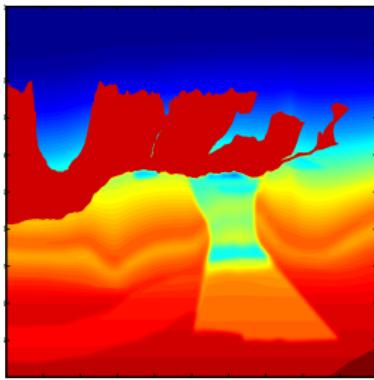
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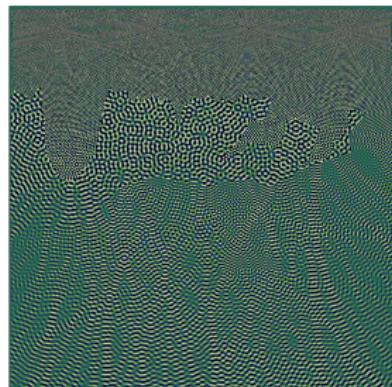
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Wave propagation in geophysical applications



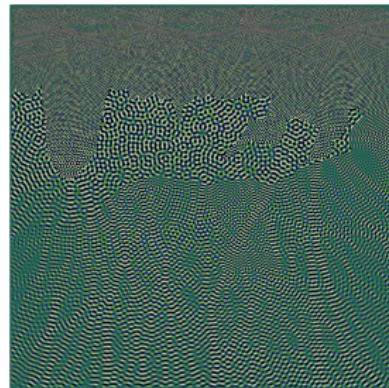
Inhomogeneous media



High frequency

$$-\Delta u - \omega^2 m u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

+ A.B.C. at $\partial\Omega$



Ω ... Domain of interest
 ω ... frequency

m ... squared slowness
 f ... sources

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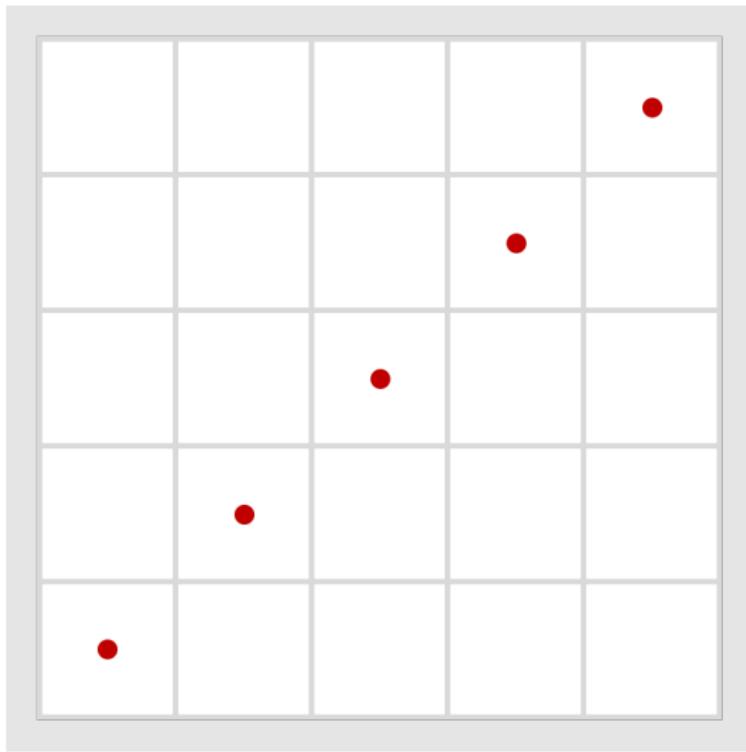
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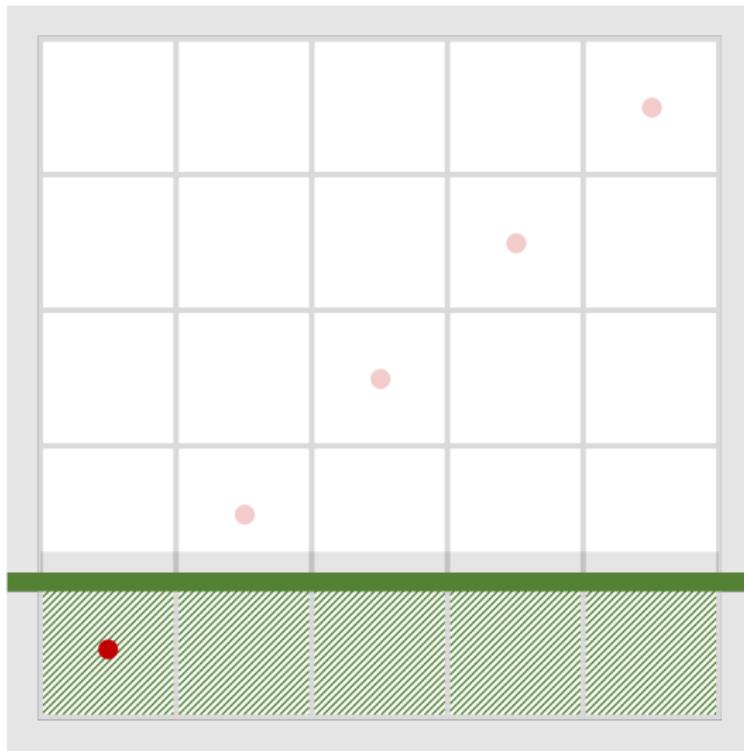
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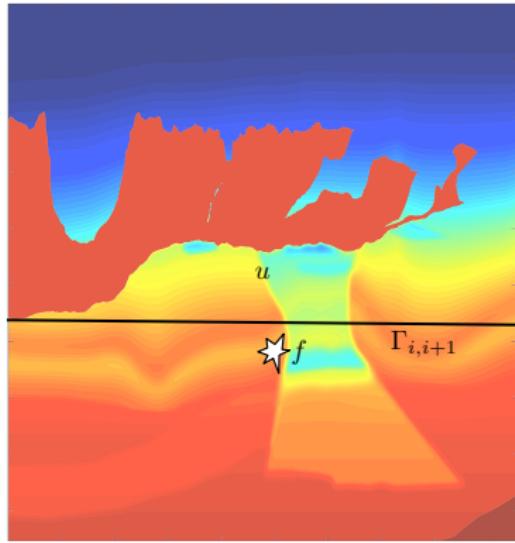
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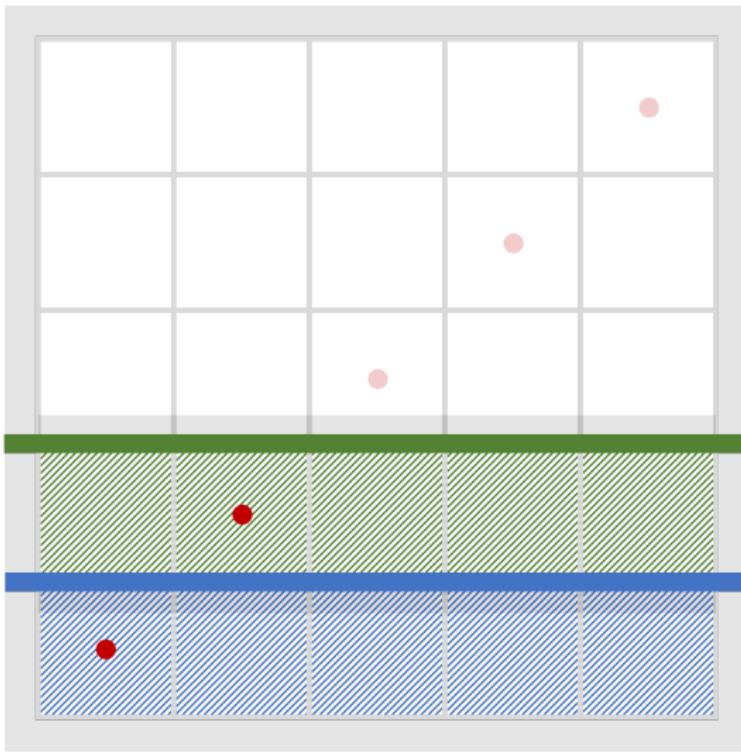
Half-space Problem



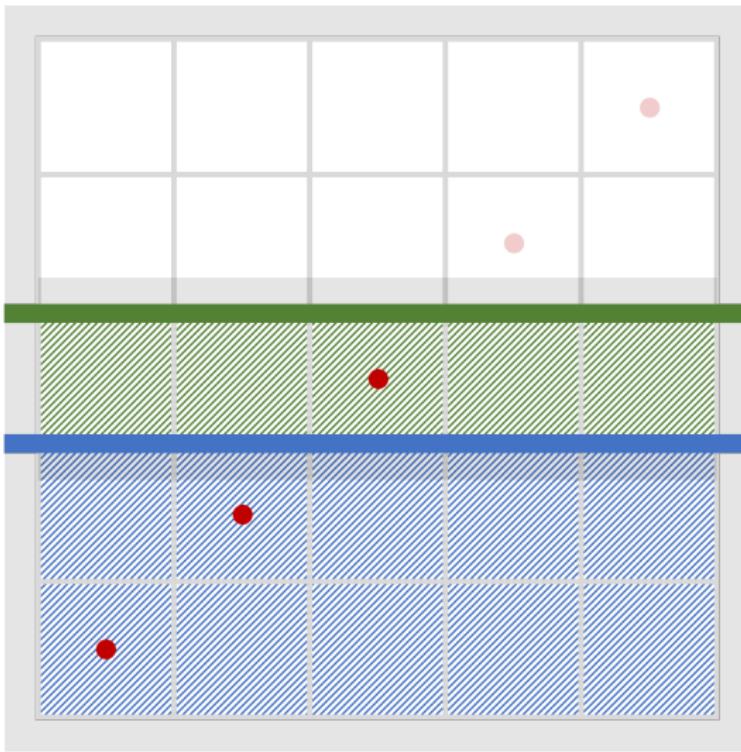
Polarization condition:

$$0 = - \int_{\Gamma} G(x, y) \partial_{n_y} u^{\uparrow}(y) ds_y \\ + \int_{\Gamma} \partial_{n_y} G(x, y) u^{\uparrow}(y) ds_y$$

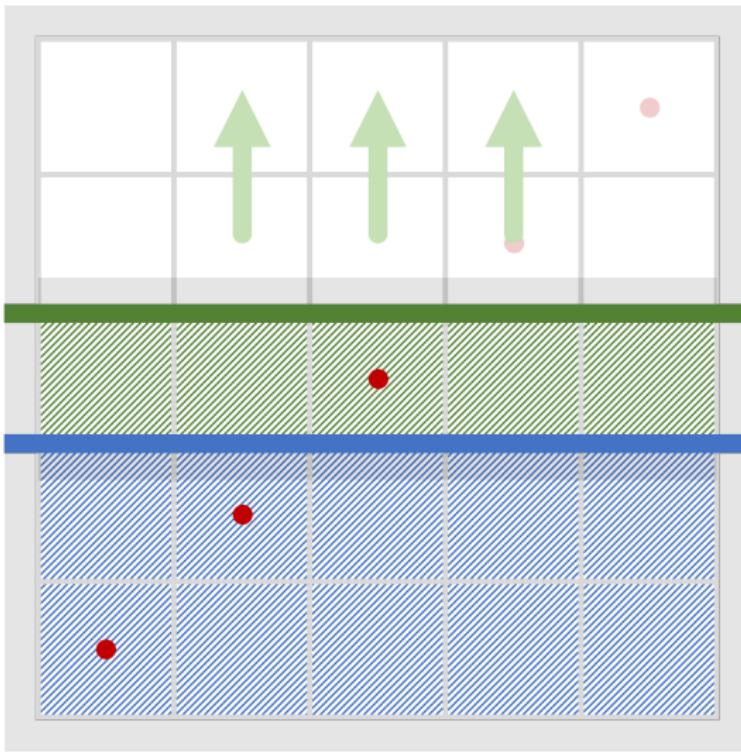
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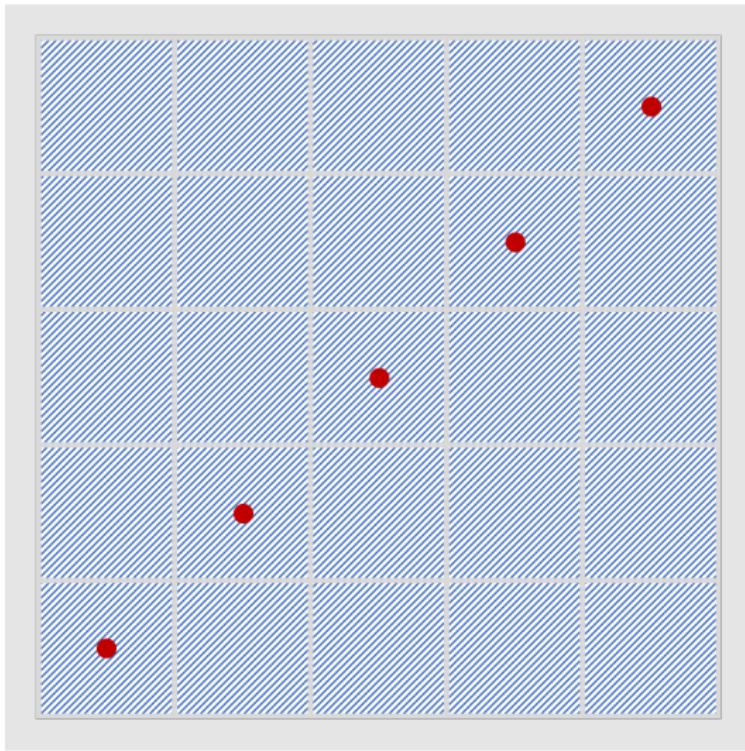
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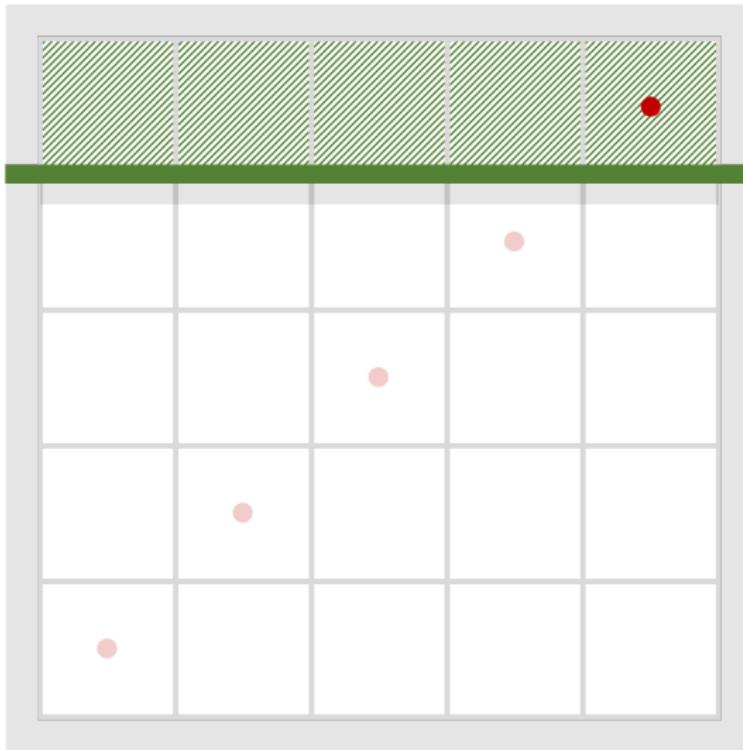
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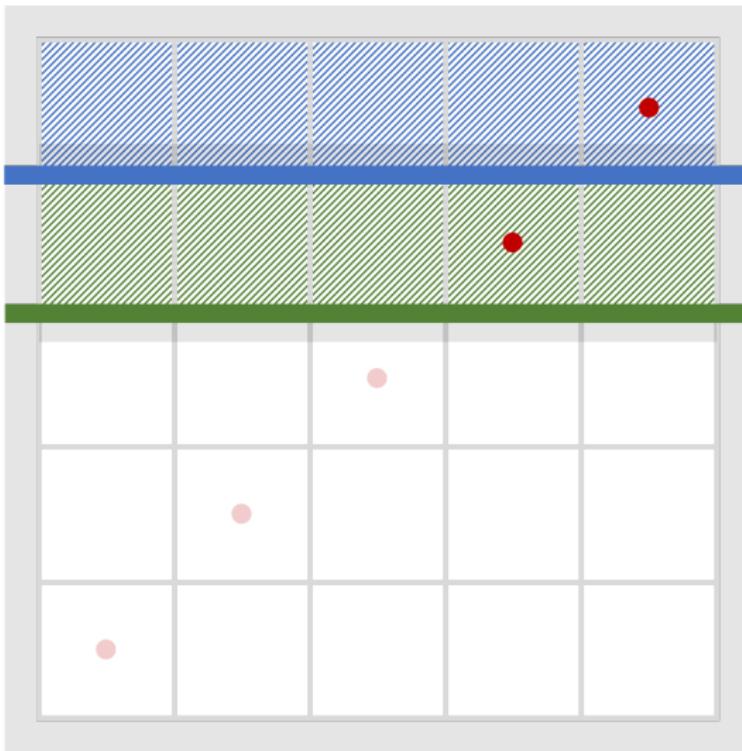
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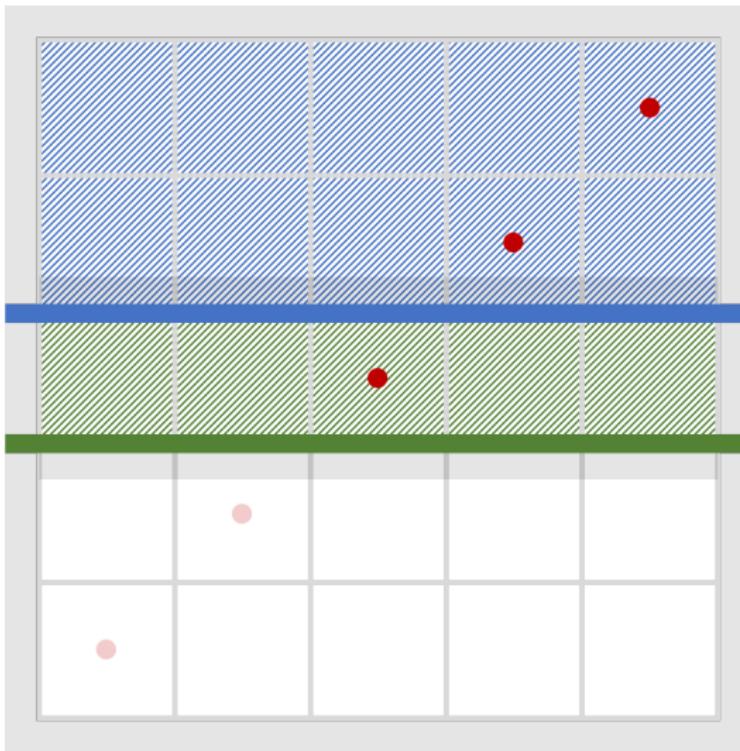
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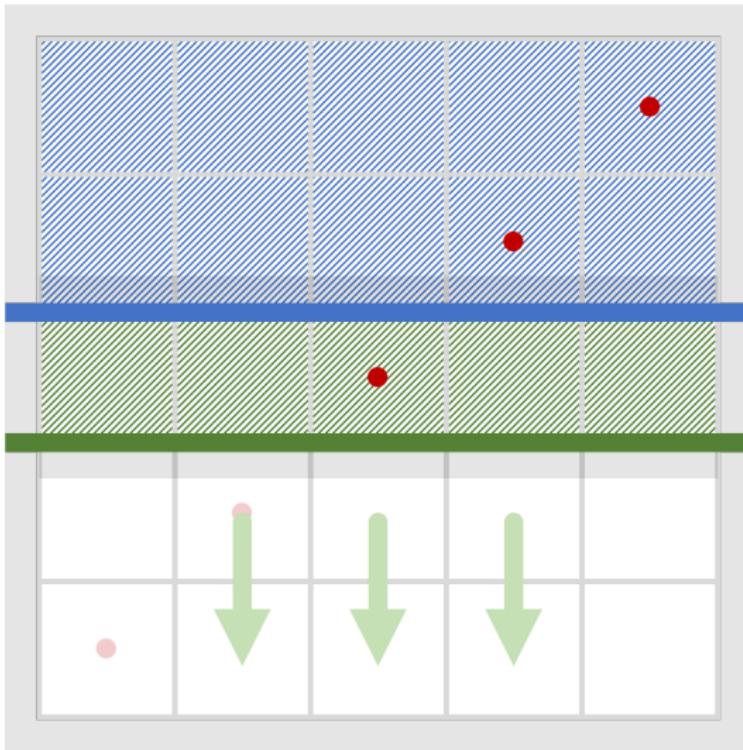
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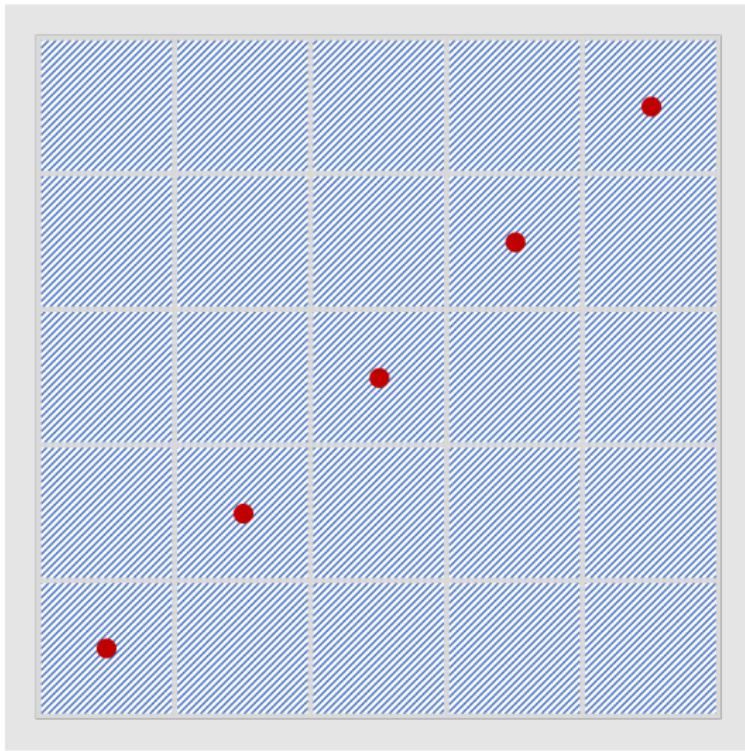
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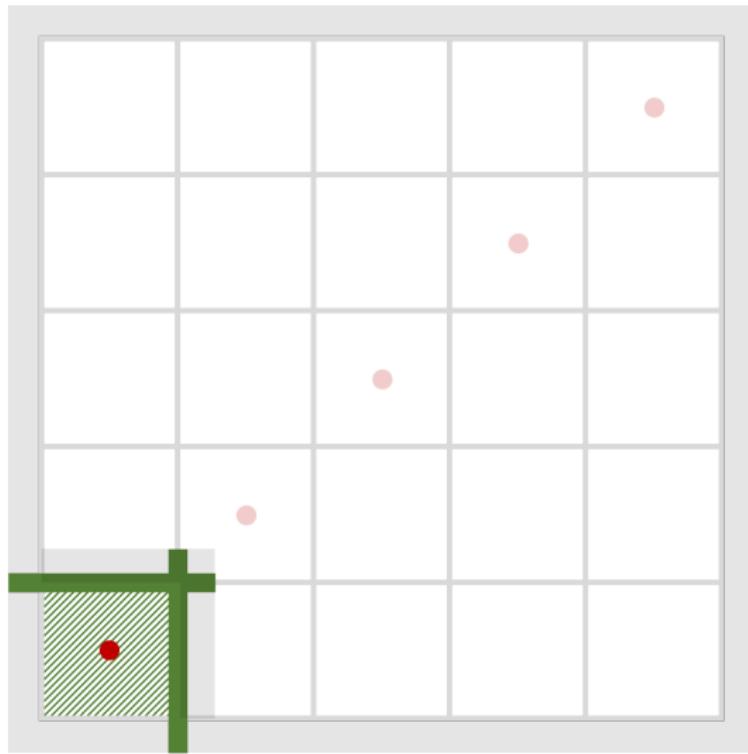


Serial complexity: $O(N)$

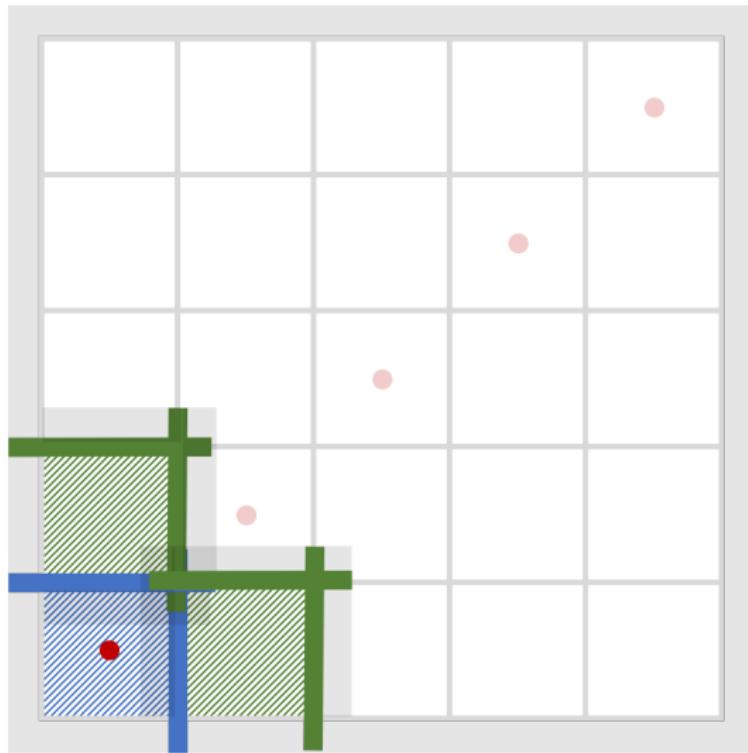
Question: Can we parallelize this preconditioner?

Problem: Serial nature of the sweeps

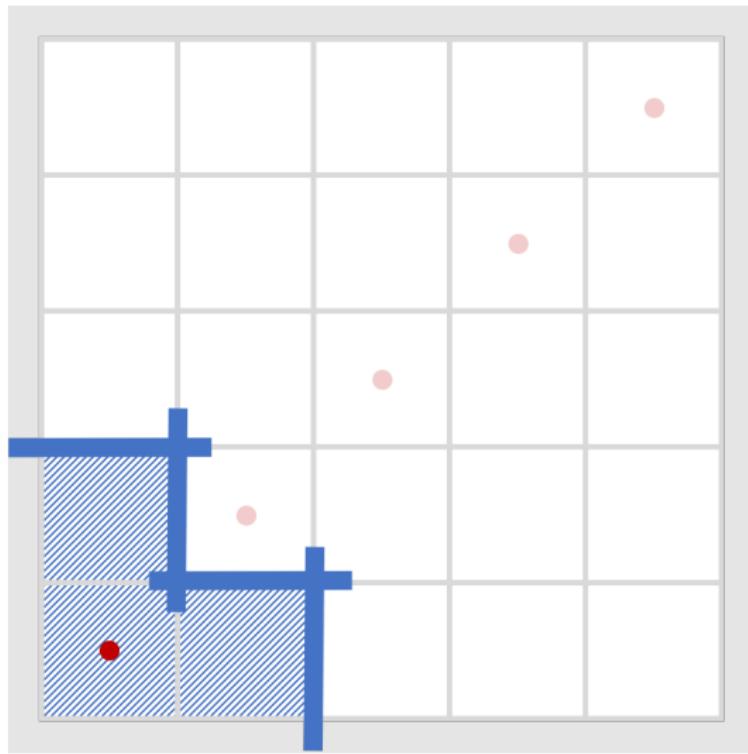
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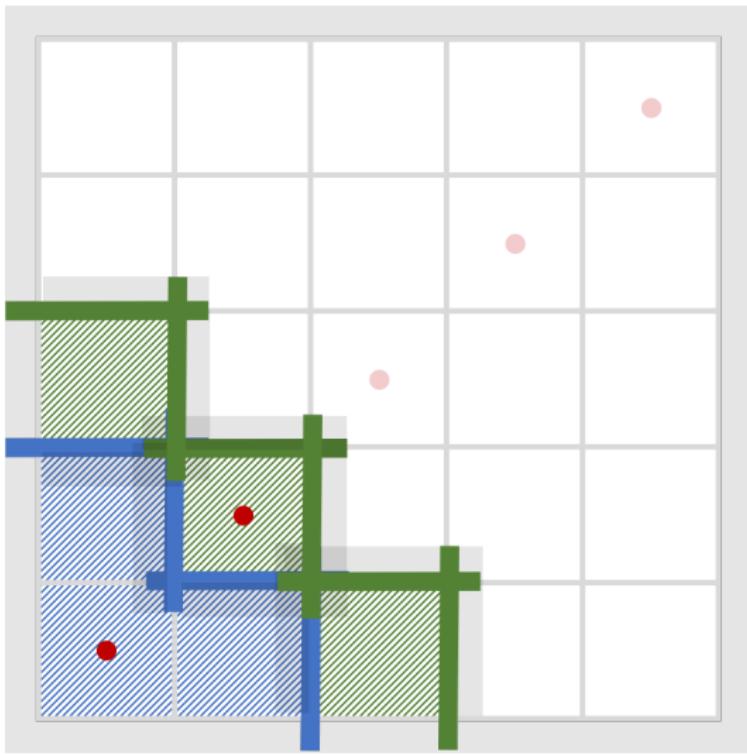
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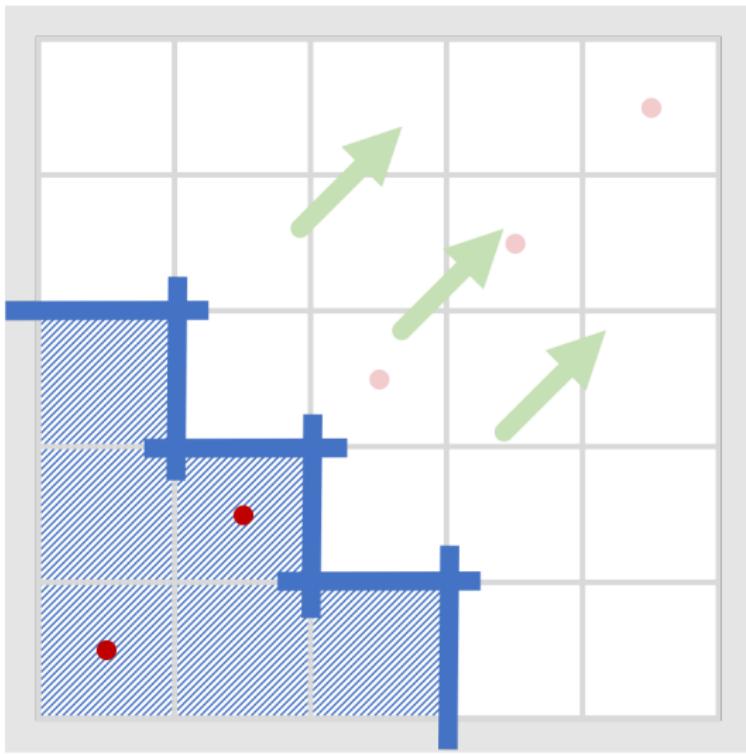
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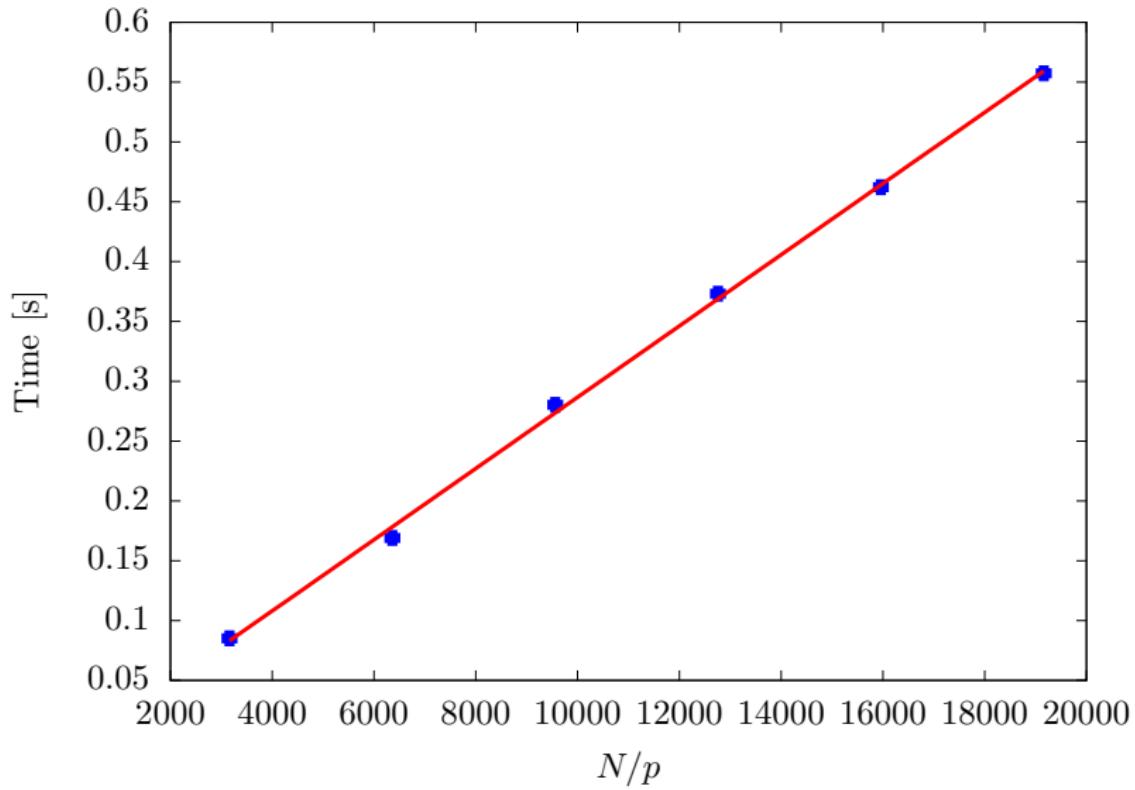


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**Each propagation onto the next diagonal can be
embarrassingly parallel on a cell-wise level!**

$\Rightarrow O(N/p)$ complexity
(as long as $p = O(N^{1/d})$)

Numerical Example: Complexity



Numerical Example: Iteration Count

4 points per wavelength

Wavelengths in domain	Number of cells	Wavelengths in PML				
		1	1.5	2	2.5	3
16	2	5	3	3	3	3
32	4	7	5	5	5	5
64	8	7	6	6	6	6
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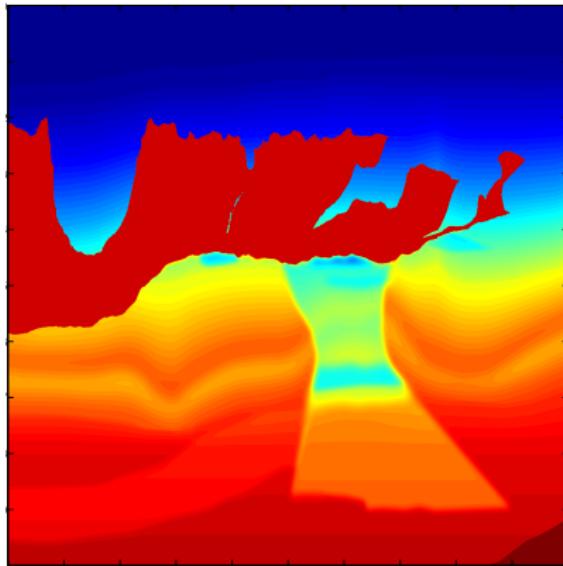
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Numerical Example: BP Model Setup



- ▶ Second order finite difference discretization
- ▶ unit square

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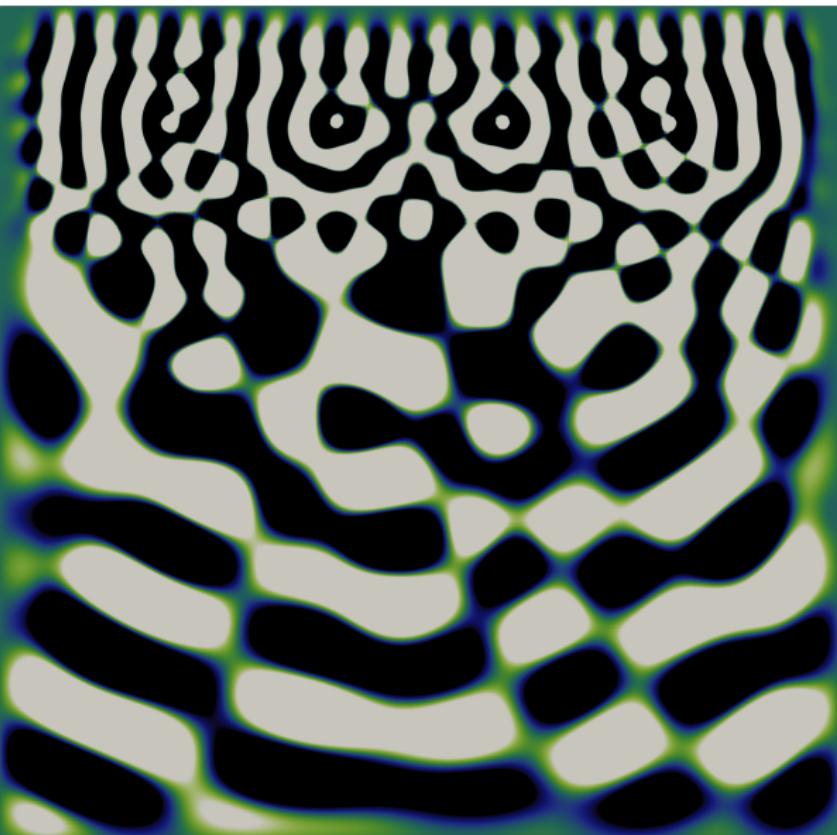
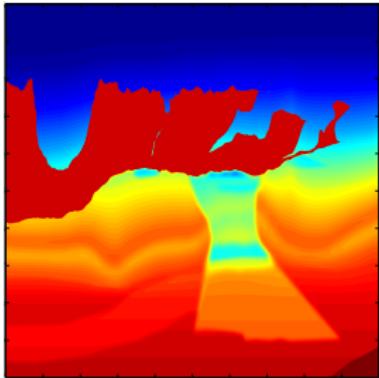
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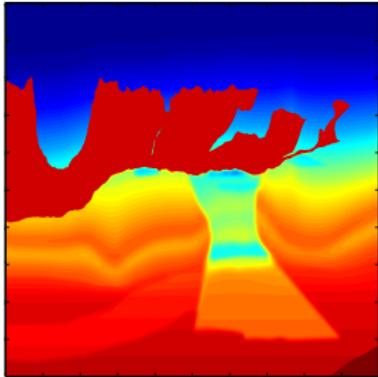
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Numerical Example: High Frequency Solutions

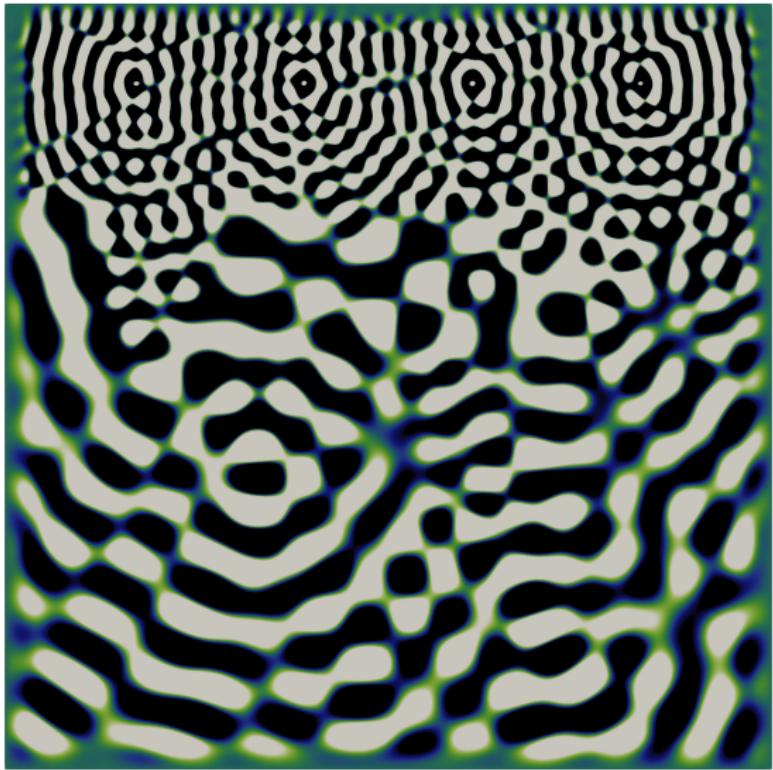


- ▶ max. 16 wavelengths in domain
- ▶ PML width: 1.25 wavelengths
- ▶ 2×2 domain decomposition

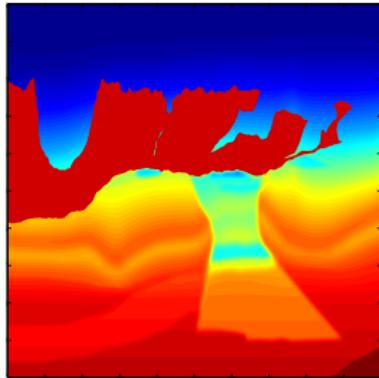
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- ▶ max. 32 wavelengths in domain
- ▶ PML width: 1.5 wavelengths
- ▶ 4×4 domain decomposition

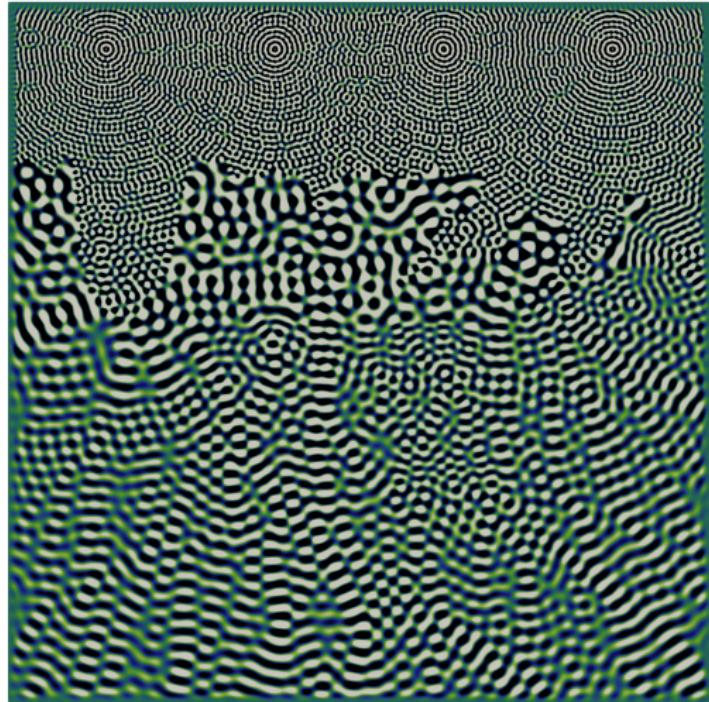
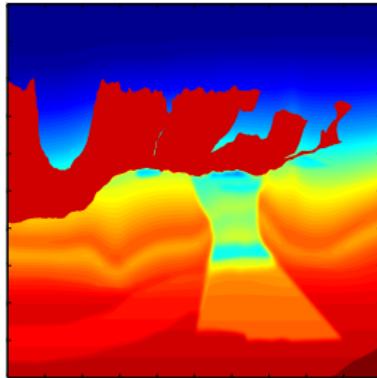


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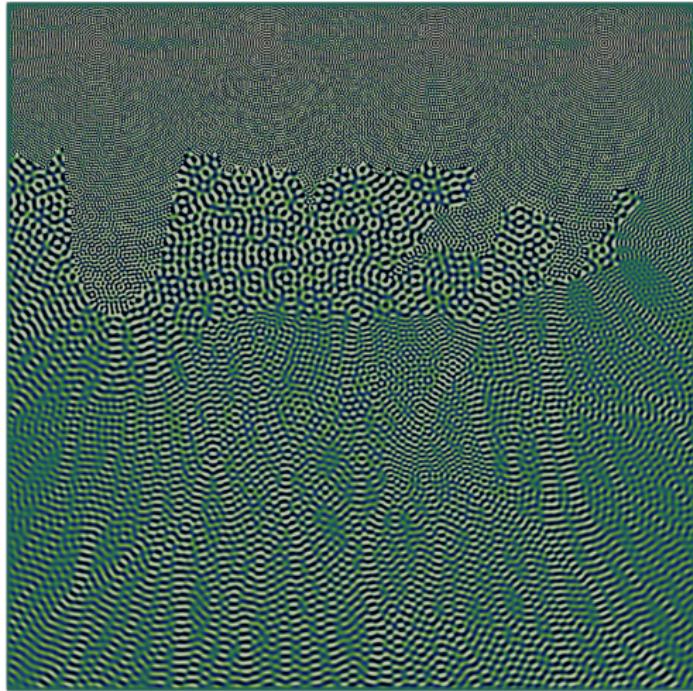
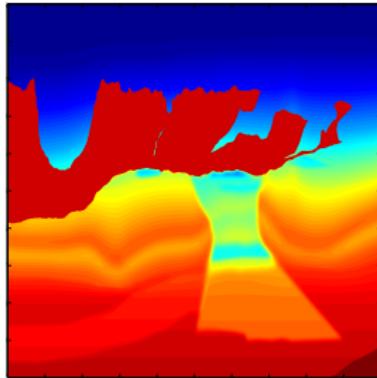
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- ▶ PML width: 1.75 wavelengths
- ▶ 8×8 domain decomposition

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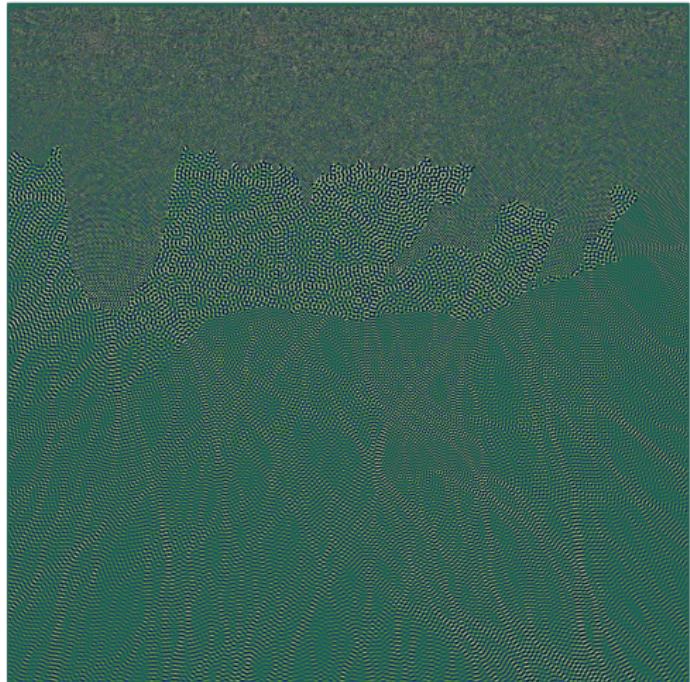
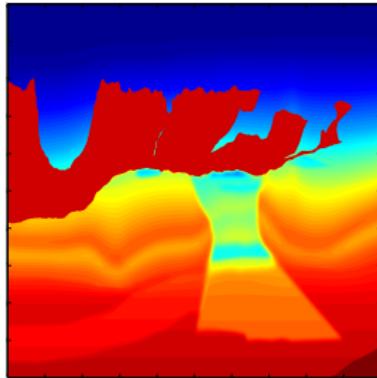
- ▶ max. 128 wavelengths in domain
- ▶ PML width: 2.00 wavelengths
- ▶ 16×16 domain decomposition

Numerical Example: High Frequency Solutions



- ▶ max. 256 wavelengths in domain
- ▶ PML width: 2.25 wavelengths
- ▶ 32×32 domain decomposition

Numerical Example: High Frequency Solutions



- ▶ max. 512 wavelengths in domain
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- ▶ $O(N/p)$ -scaling in 3D where $p = O(N^{2/3})$
- ▶ several right-hand sides ($O(1)$ scaling per right hand side?)