# Hybrid high-order (HHO) method for modeling and numerical simulation of seismic-acoustic wave propagation



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### Context and issues - Coupling of the acoustic and elastic wave equations

#### **Objectives**

- Accurate modelisation and simulation of seismo-acoustic waves through heterogeneous domains with complex geometries
- Treatment of realistic cases of interest
  - ► High Performance Computing (HPC)

#### Issues

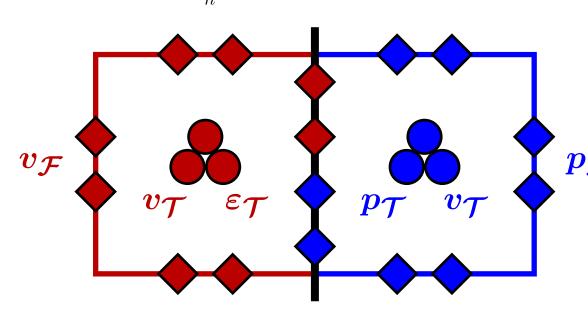
- Difficulty to mesh complex geometries
- High-order precision needed to accurately capture waves
  - ► Hybrid discontinuous methods (HDG/HHO)
- Acoustic wave equation:
- **■** Elastic wave equation:
- **■** Coupling condition:

 $\begin{aligned}
& \rho_{\mathrm{F}} \partial_t \boldsymbol{v}^{\mathrm{F}}(t) + \nabla p(t) = \mathbf{0} \\
& \frac{1}{\kappa} \partial_t p(t) + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}^{\mathrm{F}}(t) = g(t)
\end{aligned}$ 

 $\rho_{\rm S} \partial_t \boldsymbol{v}^{\rm S}(t) - \nabla \cdot (\boldsymbol{\mathcal{C}} : \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(t)) = \boldsymbol{f}(t)$ 

## Application of HHO method to seismo-acoustic coupling

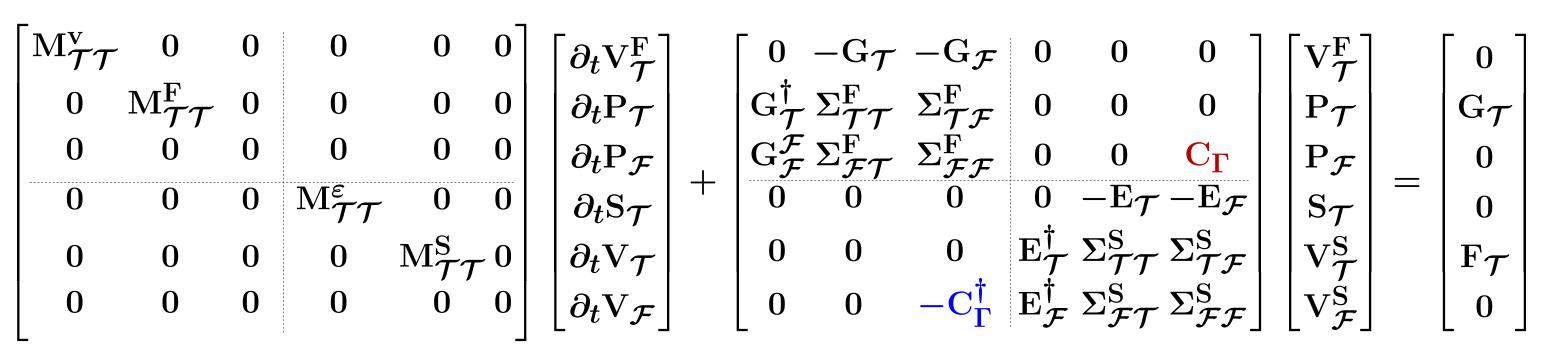
- Approximation spaces:
- ► Acoustic domain:  $V_{\mathcal{T}_{F}}^{k} := \underset{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}^{F}}{\times} \mathbb{P}^{k}\left(T; \mathbb{R}^{d}\right), \quad \hat{V}_{h}^{F} := \underset{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}^{F}}{\times} \mathbb{P}^{k'}(T; \mathbb{R}) \times \underset{F \in \mathcal{F}_{h}^{F}}{\times} \mathbb{P}^{k}(F; \mathbb{R})$ ► Elastic domain:  $\mathcal{Z}_{\mathcal{T}_{S}}^{k} := \underset{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}^{S}}{\times} \mathbb{P}^{k}\left(T; \mathbb{R}_{\text{sym}}^{d \times d}\right), \quad \hat{V}_{h}^{S} := \underset{T \in \mathcal{T}_{h}^{S}}{\times} \mathbb{P}^{k'}\left(T; \mathbb{R}^{d}\right) \times \underset{F \in \mathcal{F}_{h}^{S}}{\times} \mathbb{P}^{k}\left(F; \mathbb{R}^{d}\right)$



- Elastic unknowns
- Elasto-acoustic interface  $\Gamma$
- **○ ◆ Acoustic unknowns**

Fig. 1: Elasto-acoustic unknowns with a mixed-order (k' = k + 1 = 2) discretization.

■ Algebraic realization:



## General principles of the HHO method

■ HHO is a finite element method similar to Hybrid Discontinuous Galerkin method (HDG)

#### Design of the HHO method

- **Degrees of freedom:**  $\triangleright$  Polynomial unknowns located in the cells (degree k') and on the faces (degree k):  $\hat{u}_h := (u_{\mathcal{T}}, u_{\mathcal{F}})$ 
  - ightharpoonup Equal-order discretization: k' = k
  - $\blacktriangleright$  Mixed-order discretization: k' = k + 1
- ightharpoonup Gradient reconstruction operator:  $\nabla u \rightarrow G(\hat{u}_h)$ ,
  - ightharpoonup Stabilization operator:  $\mathbf{s}(\hat{u}_h,\hat{w}_h)$
  - Penalization at the element level to ensure stability while preserving the approximation properties of the reconstruction.

### Advantages over classical finite element methods

- **Mesh flexibility:** ► Complex geometries
  - ► Unstructured and polyhedral meshes
  - ► Local mesh refinement
- Local conservativity
- Optimal error estimates for smooth solutions
- Attractive computational costs: ► Global problem couples only face dofs
  - ► Cell dofs recovered by local post-processing

## Static condensation Space semi-discretization Assembly Coupled dofs Mesh Global dofs Local dofs

Fig. 2: Static condensation procedure.

#### Validation on academic test cases

- Verification of convergence rates on sinusoïdal analytical solutions:
- $\triangleright \mathcal{O}(h^{k+1}) \text{ in } H^1\text{-norm}$
- $\triangleright \mathcal{O}(h^{k+2})$  in  $L^2$ -norm (superconvergence)
- Verification of the energy conservation of the scheme with a no contrast test case:
- $ho_{\rm S} = \rho_{\rm F} = 1, \quad c_{\rm S}^{\rm P} = c_{\rm F}^{\rm P} = \sqrt{3}, \quad c_{\rm S}^{\rm S} = 1$
- ▶ **Initial condition:** velocity Ricker wave in the acoustic medium:
  - $\boldsymbol{v_0^F}(x,y) := \theta \exp\left(-\pi^2 \frac{r^2}{\lambda^2}\right) (x x_c, y y_c)^{\mathrm{T}}$

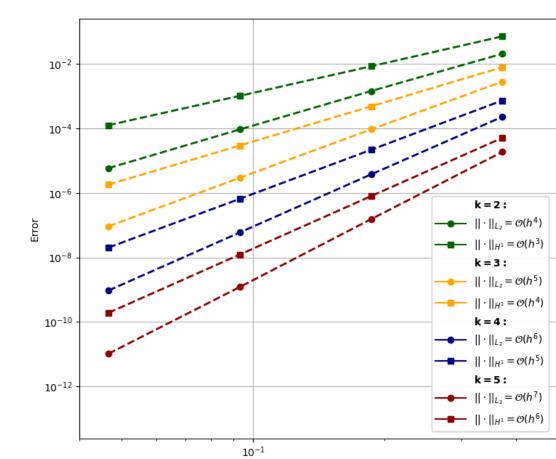


Fig. 3: Errors as a function of the mesh size with  $\Delta t = 0.1 \times 2^{-5}$ .

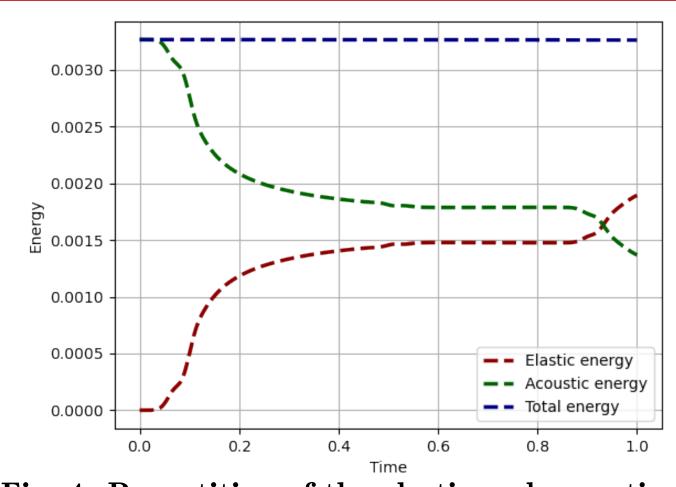


Fig. 4: Repartition of the elastic and acoustic energy after propagation of the wave.

## Propagation of an acoustic (water) pulse into an elastic medium (granit)

#### **■** Simulation parameters:

- ► Computational domain:
- Water on the upper side
- Granit on the lower side

► Mixed-order discretization:

- k' = k + 1 = 3
- ► Homogeneous Dirichlet conditions
- ▶ Intial condition: velocity Ricker wave in the acoustic medium:
- ▶ Time integration scheme: SDIRK(3,4)
  - ▶ **Time step:**  $dt = 0, 1 \times 2^{-9}$
  - $\boldsymbol{v_0^F}(x,y) := \theta \exp\left(-\pi^2 \frac{r^2}{\lambda^2}\right) (x x_c, y y_c)^{\mathrm{T}}$ 
    - HHO k = 30.015 Analytical solution 0.010 0.005 0.0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8

Fig. 5: Left panel: Two-dimensional distribution of the acoustic pressure and the elastic velocity norm, at t = 0,4375 s. Right panel: Pressure as a function of time at the sensor in the water (coarse mesh).

## Propagation of an elastic pulse into a sedimentary bassin

- Composition of the sedimentary bassin: ► Acoustic region: air
- ► Sedimentary region:  $\rho = 1200 \text{ kg.m}^3$ 

  - $c_{\rm P} = 3400 \text{ m.s}^{-1}, \quad c_{\rm S} = 1400 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$
- ► Elastic region:
  - $\rho = 5350 \text{ kg.m}^3,$  $c_{\rm P} = 3090 \text{ m.s}^{-1}, \quad c_{\rm S} = 2570 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$

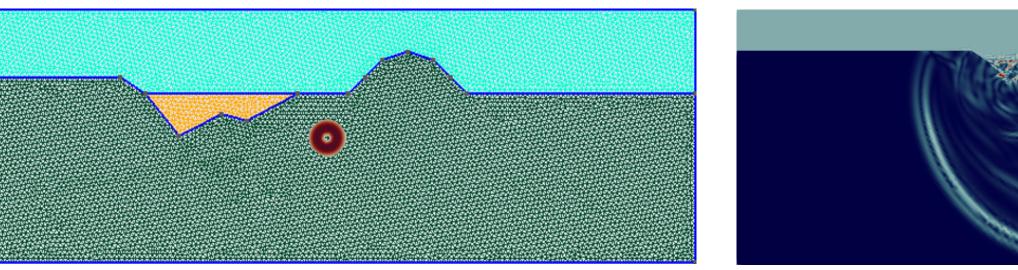


Fig. 6: Mesh of a sedimentary bassin and location of the initial pulse.

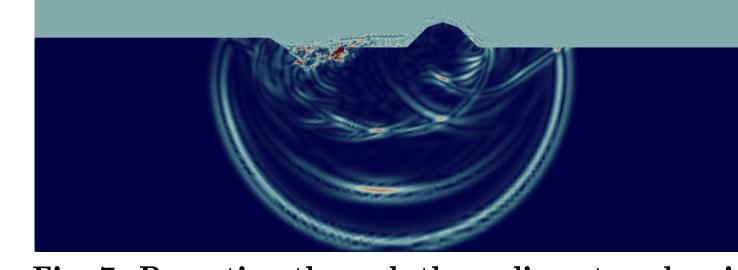


Fig. 7: Progation through the sedimentary bassin.

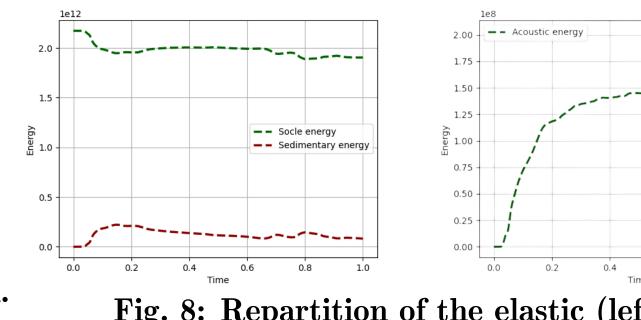


Fig. 8: Repartition of the elastic (left) and the acoustic (right) energy.

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