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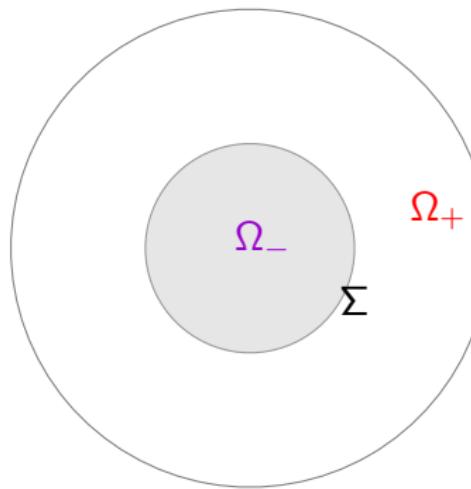


Introduction

A 3-D Problem set in heterogeneous acoustic media

We solve the Helmholtz equation (with a Dirichlet B.C.) :

$$-\operatorname{div} \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u \right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u = f \quad \text{in } \Omega$$



- $\Omega_- = \{r < r_t\}$ Acoustic medium : Density ρ^- , Velocity c^-
- $\Sigma = \{r = r_t\}$: Interface
- $\Omega_+ = \Omega \setminus \overline{\Omega_-}$ Acoustic medium : Density ρ^+ , Velocity c^+

Framework

Data and right-hand side

Assumption

- (i) *The density ρ and the velocity c are smooth and strictly positive functions*
- (ii) *The density ρ^+ satisfies*

$$\rho^+(r) = \rho_s(r_t) \exp(-\alpha(r - r_t))$$

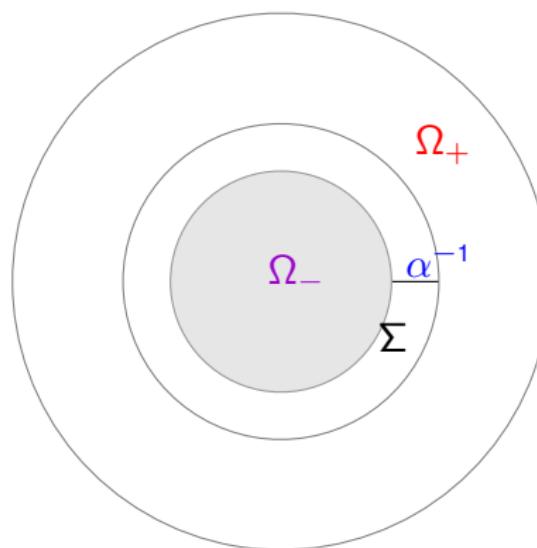
where the parameter α is large.

Assumption

The right-hand side f has a support in Ω_-

Aim

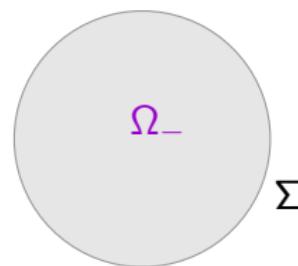
A **boundary layer phenomenon** occurs : rapid decay of acoustic fields (pressure and velocity) inside the medium Ω_+



Goal : (i) Describing the **boundary layer phenomenon**
(ii) Deriving and solving approximate models

Approach : an Asymptotic Method

- ① Describing the **boundary layer phenomenon** with a multiscale expansion in power series of α^{-1}
- ② Deriving Equivalent Boundary Conditions on Σ to replace the **boundary layer** inside Ω_+
- ③ Applying a Finite Element Method to solve the acoustic equation in Ω_- with an Equivalent Boundary Condition



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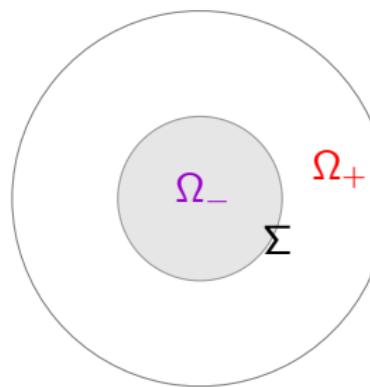
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Problem (P_α)

Helmholtz equation :

$$-\operatorname{div} \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u_\alpha \right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u_\alpha = f \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

with an homogeneous Dirichlet boundary condition on $\partial\Omega$.



Here $\rho^+(r) = \rho_s(r_t) \exp(-\alpha(r - r_t))$ and $\alpha \gg 1$

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Theorem

Assume Ω_+ is a **dissipative medium**. Then under Assumption (SA), there exists $\alpha_0 > 0$ s.t. for all $\alpha \in (\alpha_0, \infty)$, the problem (\mathbf{P}_α) with a right-hand side $f \in L^2(\Omega)$ has a unique solution $u_\alpha \in H_0^1(\Omega)$, and

$$\|u_\alpha^-\|_{1,\Omega_-} + \alpha \|u_\alpha^+\|_{1,\Omega_+} \leq C \|f\|_{0,\Omega}$$

Application: Convergence of asymptotic expansion for large parameter α

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$$-\operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u_\delta^-\right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u_\delta^- = f \quad \text{in } \Omega_-$$

$$-\Delta u_\delta^+ - \frac{1}{\delta} \partial_r u_\delta^+ - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} u_\delta^+ = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_+$$

$$u_\delta^+ = u_\delta^- \quad \text{on } \Sigma$$

$$\partial_n u_\delta^+ = \partial_n u_\delta^- \quad \text{on } \Sigma$$

$$u_\delta^+ = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial\Omega$$

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Asymptotic Expansion

Overview

Deriving an Asymptotic Expansion for the solution (u_δ^-, u_δ^+) of (\mathbf{P}_δ) when $\delta \rightarrow 0$:

$$u_\delta^-(\mathbf{x}) = u_0^-(\mathbf{x}) + \delta u_1^-(\mathbf{x}) + \delta^2 u_2^-(\mathbf{x}) + \delta^3 u_3^-(\mathbf{x}) + \dots \quad \text{in } \Omega_-$$

$$u_\delta^+(\mathbf{x}) = u_0^+(\mathbf{x}; \delta) + \delta u_1^+(\mathbf{x}; \delta) + \delta^2 u_2^+(\mathbf{x}; \delta) + \delta^3 u_3^+(\mathbf{x}; \delta) + \dots \quad \text{in } \Omega_+,$$

$$\text{with } u_j^+(\mathbf{x}; \delta) = \chi(r) \mathfrak{U}_j \left(\theta, \phi, \frac{r - r_t}{\delta} \right)$$

Method based on the Scaling :

$$s = \frac{r - r_t}{\delta}$$

Equations for the terms \mathfrak{U}_n and u_n^-

$$\begin{cases} -\partial_S^2 \mathfrak{U}_n - \partial_S \mathfrak{U}_n &= \sum_{p=1}^n A_p \mathfrak{U}_{n-p} \quad \text{in } \Sigma \times (0, +\infty), \\ \partial_S \mathfrak{U}_n &= \partial_n u_{n-1}^- \quad \text{on } \Sigma, \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u_n^-\right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u_n^- &= f \delta_n^0 \quad \text{in } \Omega_-, \\ u_n^- &= \mathfrak{U}_n \quad \text{on } \Sigma. \end{cases}$$

First terms

1

$$\mathfrak{U}_0 = 0$$

2

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u_0^-\right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u_0^- = f & \text{in } \Omega_- \\ u_0^- = 0 & \text{on } \Sigma \end{cases}$$

3

$$\mathfrak{U}_1(\cdot, s) = -\partial_n u_0^- e^{-s}, \quad s \in (0, \infty)$$

4

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u_1^-\right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u_1^- = 0 & \text{in } \Omega_- \\ u_1^- = -\partial_n u_0^- & \text{on } \Sigma \end{cases}$$

Next terms



$$\mathfrak{U}_2(\cdot, s) = (a_2 + b_2 s) e^{-s}, \quad s \in (0, \infty)$$

Here

$$\begin{cases} a_2 = -\partial_n u_1^- + \frac{2}{r_t} \partial_n u_0^-, \\ b_2 = \frac{2}{r_t} \partial_n u_0^-. \end{cases}$$



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$$\mathfrak{U}_3(\theta, \phi, s) = (a_3(\theta, \phi) + sb_3(\theta, \phi) + s^2 c_3(\theta, \phi)) e^{-s}, \quad s \in (0, \infty)$$

Here

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_3 = -\partial_n u_2^- + \frac{2}{r_t} \partial_n u_1^- - \left\{ \frac{6}{r_t^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} + \Delta_\Sigma \right\} \partial_n u_0^- , \\ b_3 = \frac{2}{r_t} \partial_n u_1^- - \left\{ \frac{6}{r_t^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} + \Delta_\Sigma \right\} \partial_n u_0^- , \\ c_3 = -\frac{3}{r_t^2} \partial_n u_0^- . \end{array} \right.$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} -\operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u_3^-\right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u_3^- = 0 & \text{in } \Omega_- , \\ u_3^- = -\partial_n u_2^- + \frac{2}{r_t} \partial_n u_1^- - \left\{ \frac{6}{r_t^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} + \Delta_\Sigma \right\} \partial_n u_0^- & \text{on } \Sigma . \end{array} \right.$$

Existence and regularity of the asymptotics

Proposition

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Assume that $f \in H^k(\Omega_-)$ and $\rho \in C^\infty(\overline{\Omega_-})$. Then it is possible to derive the first $(k+2)$ terms $(\mathbf{u}_j^-, \mathfrak{U}_j)$, and

$$\mathbf{u}_0^- \in H^{k+2}(\Omega_-), \mathbf{u}_1^- \in H^{k+1}(\Omega_-), \dots, \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^- \in H^1(\Omega_-)$$

and

$$\mathfrak{U}_1 \in H^{k+\frac{1}{2}}(\Sigma \times \mathbb{R}^+), \mathfrak{U}_2 \in H^{k-\frac{1}{2}}(\Sigma \times \mathbb{R}^+), \dots, \mathfrak{U}_{k+1} \in H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\Sigma \times \mathbb{R}^+)$$

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Equivalent Conditions on Σ

Overview

We identify a simpler problem satisfied by

$$u_{k,\delta}^- := u_0^- + \delta u_1^- + \delta^2 u_2^- + \cdots + \delta^k u_k^- \quad \text{up to } \mathcal{O}(\delta^{k+1})$$

The simpler problem *of order $k+1$* writes

$$(P_\delta^k) \quad \begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla u_k^\delta\right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} u_k^\delta &= f \quad \text{in } \Omega_- , \\ u_k^\delta + D_{k,\delta}(\partial_n u_k^\delta) &= 0 \quad \text{on } \Sigma , \end{cases}$$

with $D_{k,\delta}$ a surfacic differential operator

Equivalent Conditions

① Order 1 :

$$u_0 = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma$$

② Order 2 :

$$u_1^\delta + \delta \partial_n u_1^\delta = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma$$

③ Order 3 :

$$u_2^\delta + \delta \left(1 - \frac{2\delta}{r_t} \right) \partial_n u_2^\delta = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma$$

④ Order 4 :

$$u_3^\delta + \delta \left(1 - \frac{2\delta}{r_t} + \delta^2 \left\{ \frac{6}{r_t^2} - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} - \Delta_\Sigma \right\} \right) \partial_n u_3^\delta = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \Sigma$$

Dirichlet-to-Neumann Conditions

- Order 4 :

$$\delta^{-1} \left(\left(1 + \frac{2\delta}{r_t} \right) \mathbb{I} - \delta^2 \left\{ \frac{2}{r_t^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} + \Delta_\Sigma \right\} \right) v_3^\delta + \partial_n v_3^\delta = 0 \quad \text{on } \Sigma$$

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For all $k \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, the simpler problem writes

$$(Q_{\delta}^k) \quad \begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}\left(\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla v_k^\delta\right) - \frac{\omega^2}{\rho c^2} v_k^\delta &= f \quad \text{in } \Omega_- , \\ N_{k,\delta}(v_k^\delta) + \partial_n v_k^\delta &= 0 \quad \text{on } \Sigma , \end{cases}$$

with $N_{k,\delta}$ a surfacic differential operator.

Stability and convergence results

Theorem

Under Assumption (SA), there exists $\delta_0 > 0$ s.t. for all $\delta \in (0, \delta_0)$, the problem (\mathbf{Q}_δ^k) with data $f \in L^2(\Omega_-)$ has a unique solution $v_k^\delta \in V_k$, and

$$\|v_k^\delta\|_{1,\Omega_-} \leq C \|f\|_{0,\Omega_-}$$

$$\|u_\delta - v_\delta^k\|_{1,\Omega_-} \leq C_k \delta^{k+1}$$

Functional setting : $v_k^\delta \in V_k$ where

$$V_k = H^1(\Omega_-) \quad \text{when } k = 1, 2$$

and

$$V_3 = \{u \in H^1(\Omega_-) \mid u|_\Sigma \in H^1(\Sigma)\}$$

Proof of the stability result

Lemma

Under Assumption (SA), there exists $\delta_0 > 0$ s.t. for all $\delta \in (0, \delta_0)$, any solution $v_k^\delta \in V_k$ of problem (\mathbf{Q}_δ^k) with a data $f \in L^2(\Omega_-)$ satisfies

$$\|v_k^\delta\|_{0,\Omega_-} \leq C \|f\|_{0,\Omega_-} .$$

Sketch of the proof of the Lemma

Assume : there exists $(u_m) \in (V_k)^{\mathbb{N}}$ satisfying $(Q_{\delta_m}^k)$ with $\delta_m \rightarrow 0$ and $f_m \in L^2(\Omega_-)$ such that

$$\|u_m\|_{0,\Omega_-} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \|f_m\|_{0,\Omega_-} \rightarrow 0$$

We prove successively that :

①

$$\|u_m\|_{1,\Omega_-} \leq C$$

② there exists a subsequence (u_m) s.t.

$$u_m \rightarrow u \quad \text{in} \quad L^2(\Omega_-) \quad \text{and} \quad \nabla u_m \rightharpoonup \nabla u \quad \text{in} \quad L^2(\Omega_-)$$

$$\text{and } u_m \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{in} \quad L^2(\Sigma)$$

③

$$\|u\|_{0,\Omega_-} = 1$$

④ Using Assumption (SA), we prove that $u = 0$. Contradiction.

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Numerical method

Helmholtz equation with radial data

Using a decomposition in spherical harmonics we solve a sequence of 1-D problems with a Finite Element Method.

- 1-D Computational domain :

Approximate models : $\Omega_- = (0; 1)$

Reference solutions : $\Omega = (0; R_\Omega)$ such that $\rho^+(R_\Omega) = 10^{-15}$

- \mathbb{P}_{10} -finite elements (Lagrange) available in the Library Montjoie

- Data :

① Artificial data

② Realistic data

Framework

Artificial data

- The density is given as

$$\rho(r) = \begin{cases} D_1 & \text{if } r < 1 \\ D_1 e^{-(r-1)/\delta} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$D_1 = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg/m}^3,$$

- The velocity is constant

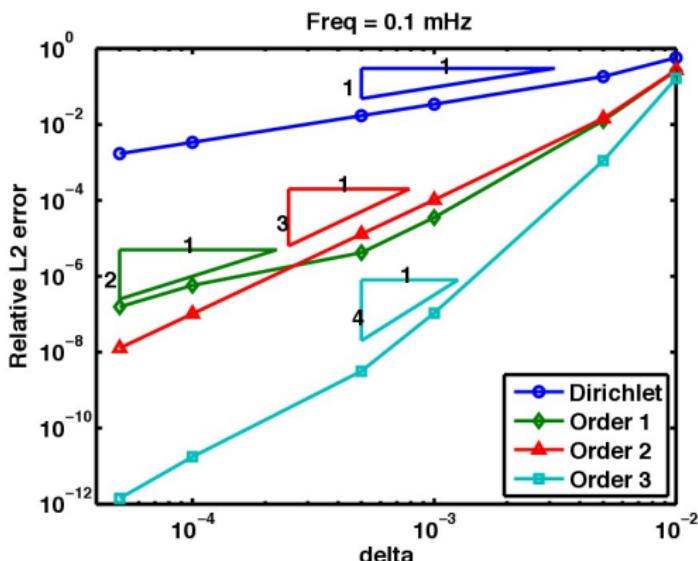
$$c = 8 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}$$

- Radial gaussian source** located at the radius $r = 0.8$
- $\omega = 2\pi f_0$ where $f_0 \in \{7 \times 10^4 \text{ Hz}, 7 \times 10^5 \text{ Hz}\}$

Convergence results

Freq. $f_0 = 7 \times 10^4$ Hz

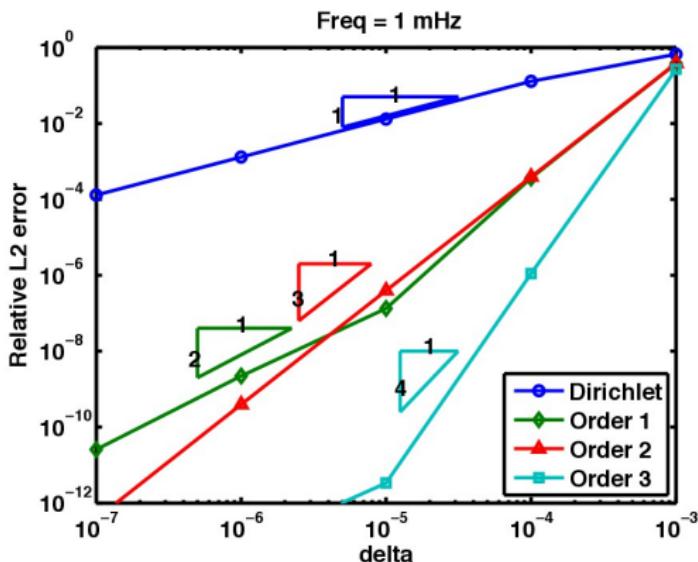
Relative L^2 -error between exact solution and approximate solutions versus δ



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Realistic setting

Using the data given by the Standard Solar Model

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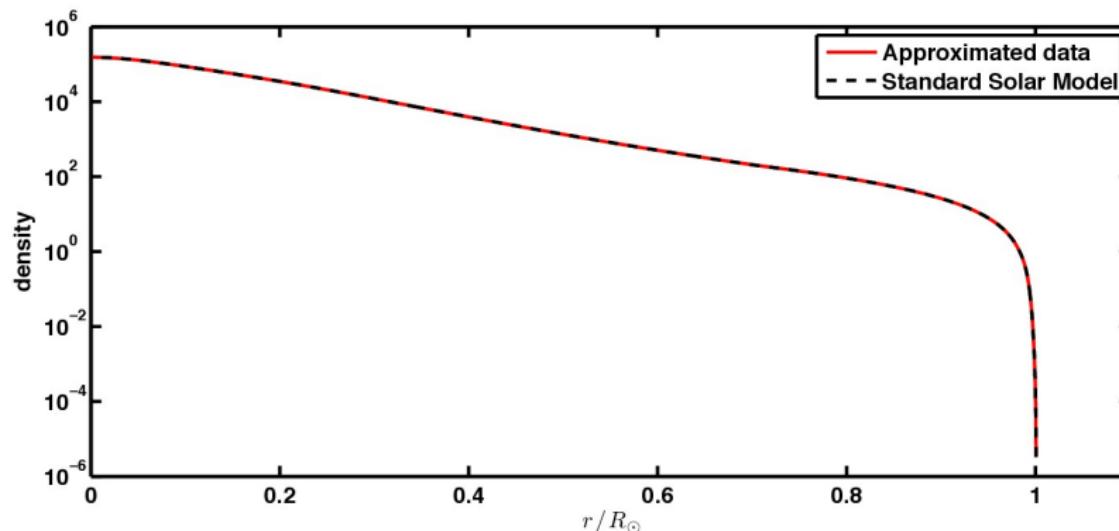
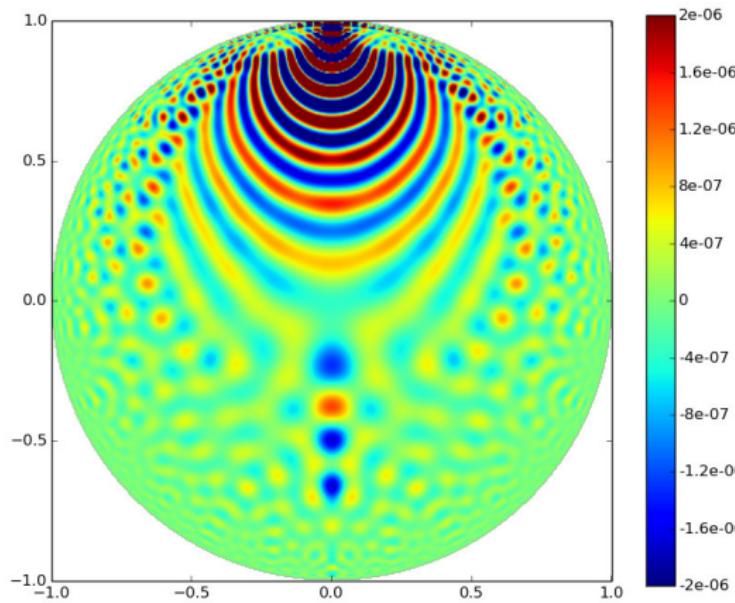


Figure : Exact value and approximated value of ρ^{sun} versus the relative radius r/R_\odot .

Realistic setting

Reference solution in the plane Oxz

Real part of $u/\sqrt{\rho}$ when $\delta = 1/7000$

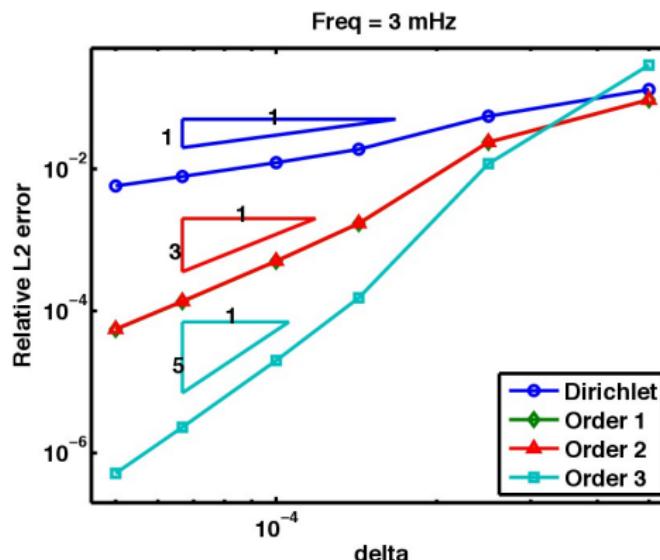


The source is a 3-D gaussian and we use 100 spherical harmonics

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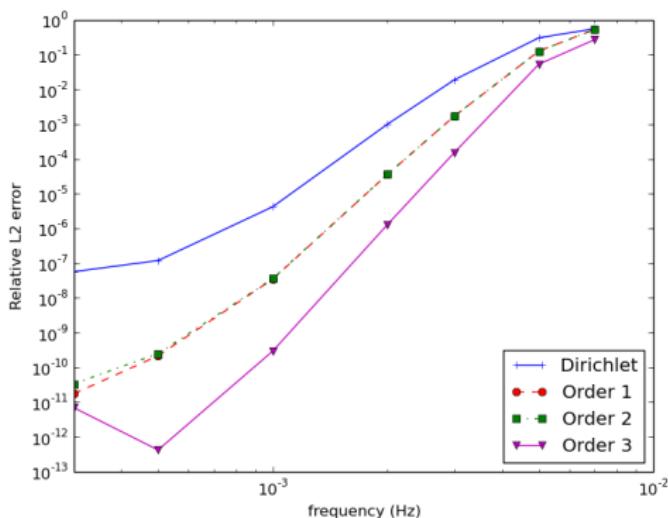
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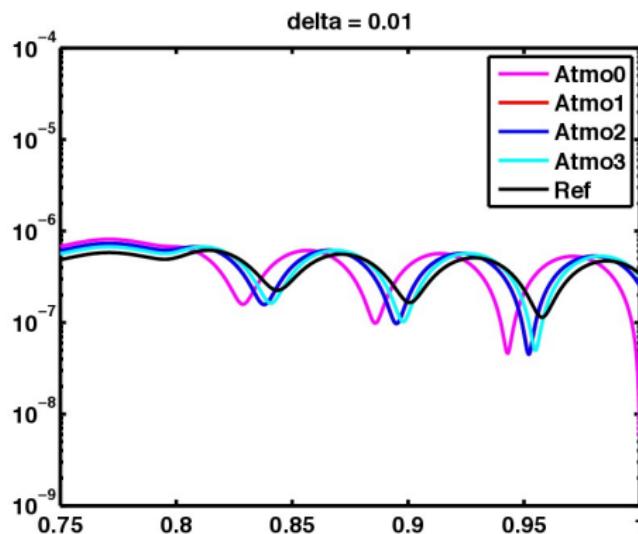
Comparison of equivalent boundary conditions for different frequencies from 0.3 mHz until 7 mHz.



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Numerical tests with artificial data

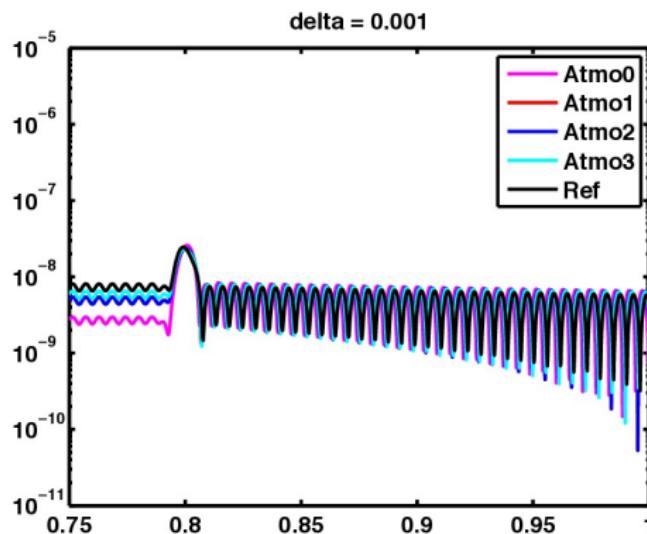
Qualitative Comparisons



Reference solution and solutions using equivalent boundary conditions.
 $f_0 = 7 \times 10^4$ Hz

Numerical tests with artificial data

Qualitative Comparisons



Reference solution and solutions using atmosphere boundary conditions.
 $f_0 = 7 \times 10^5$ Hz

Realistic setting

- The density is given as

$$\rho_0(r) = \left(1 + \frac{2i\gamma}{\omega}\right) \begin{cases} \rho^{\text{sun}} & \text{if } r/R_\odot \leq 1.0007126 \\ D_1 e^{-(r/R_\odot - 1)/\delta} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$D_1 \approx 3.292 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kg/m}^3, \gamma = \frac{\omega}{100}$$

- The velocity is given as

$$c_0(r) = \begin{cases} c^{\text{sun}} & \text{if } r/R_\odot \leq 1.0007126 \\ C_1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$C_1 \approx 6.865 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}$$

- The source is a 3-D gaussian:

$$f(x) = \exp(-\beta ||x - x_0||^2)$$

Here $x_0 \approx (0, 0, 0.981)$ and β is chosen such that $\exp(-0.015 \beta) = 10^{-6}$.