

Time Reversed Absorbing Conditions: Signal reconstruction and Application to inverse problems

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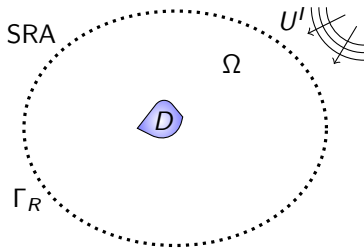
Forward problem

\mathcal{L} is a hyperbolic equation: Maxwell, elasticity, wave equation, ...

An impinging wave U^I illuminates an unknown inclusion D .

The total field U^T satisfies:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}(U^T) = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^d \\ U^S \text{ has finite energy at infinity} \\ \text{Homogeneous Initial Conditions} \end{array} \right.$$



The **scattered field** $U^S := U^T - U^I$ is recorded from $t = 0$ to $t = T_f$ on a Source-Receiver Array (SRA) located on a surface Γ_R that encloses a domain Ω .

Goal: Reconstruct the scattered field from the recorded data on Γ_R .

Total and Scattered fields

Numerical simulations were made using `Freefem++` (F. Hecht).

▶ Next

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Based on Time reversibility of hyperbolic equations.

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TR approach: Find a BVP whose solution is the time reversed scattered field $U_R^S(t, \cdot) := U^S(T_f - t, \cdot)$. Thus, U_R^S satisfies:

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}_0(U_R^S) = 0 & \text{in } (0, T_f) \times \Omega \setminus D \\ U_R^S(t, \cdot) = U^S(T_f - t, \cdot) & \text{on } (0, T_f) \times \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

Problem: No boundary condition on ∂D .

This boundary value problem is **underdetermined**.

TRAC: time reversal and absorbing boundary conditions

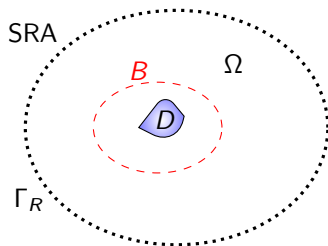
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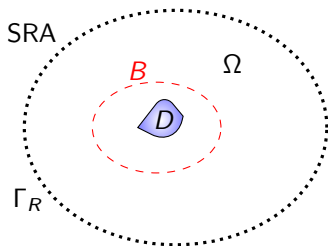
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The forward scattered field U^S satisfies a radiation condition at ∞ , that we can approximate by an absorbing boundary condition (ABC):

$$\text{ABC}(U^S) = 0 \text{ on } \partial B,$$

We time reverse it:

$$\text{TRAC}(U_R^S) = 0 \text{ on } \partial B.$$



(Ref. for ABCs: Engquist & Majda 1977, Bayliss & Turkel 1980, Grote & Keller 1995)

Recreate the past via *TRAC*

Example: the wave equation

$$\mathcal{L}(U) \longrightarrow \rho u_{tt} - \operatorname{div}(\mu \nabla u)$$

The *TRAC* problem reads

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \rho_0 \frac{\partial^2 u_R^S}{\partial t^2} - \operatorname{div}(\mu_0 \nabla u_R^S) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \setminus B \\ u_R^S(t, \cdot) = u^S(T_f - t, \cdot) & \text{on } \Gamma_R \\ \text{TRAC}(u_R^S) := \frac{\partial u_R^S}{\partial t} + c_0 \frac{\partial u_R^S}{\partial n} - c_0 \kappa \frac{u_R^S}{2} = 0 & \text{on } \partial B \\ \text{zero Cauchy Data} & \end{array} \right. \quad (1)$$

where $c_0 = \sqrt{\mu_0/\rho_0}$ and κ is the [curvature](#) of ∂B .

By solving (1), we are able to [recreate the past](#), namely reconstruct u^S in domain $\Omega \setminus B$.

Time reversal with *TRAC* (20% noise)

Left: B encloses the inclusion D ; *TRAC* recreates the past
Right: B does not enclose D ; past is not correctly recreated

▶ Next

TRAC has at least two applications in inverse problems:

- 1 The first application is the **reduction of the size of the computational domain by redefining the reference surface** on which the receivers appear to be located. This is reminiscent of the redatuming method, see Berryhill, 1979.
- 2 The second application is to identify an unknown inclusion D from boundary measurements. This is achieved by using a **trial and error procedure** on the trial domain B .

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Illustration of the redatuming:

combination [1] of the TRAC method with an inverse problem technique, called Adaptive Inversion method

- the TRAC method ([Time-Reversed Absorbing Condition method](#)) [2] allows to reduce the computational domain and regularize the data
- the AI method ([Adaptive Inversion method](#)) [3] solve an inverse problem using mesh and basis adaptivity

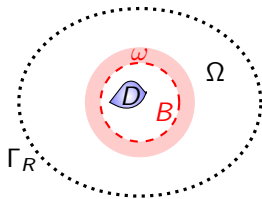
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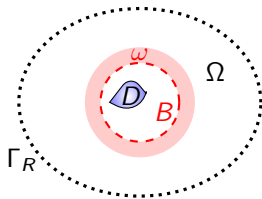
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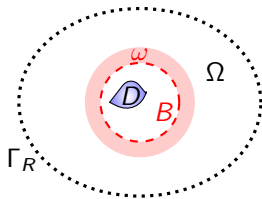
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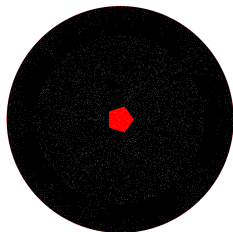
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- 3 whole wave equation vs. paraxial approximation (redatuming in geophysics)

Size reduction

Reduction of the size of the computational domain: ratio 40



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(c)

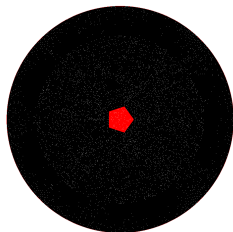


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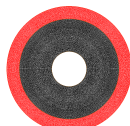
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Reduction of the computational time: ratio 10

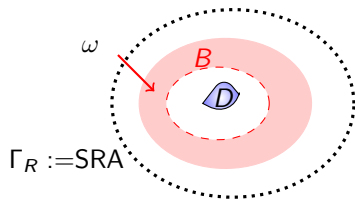
Signal reconstruction with *TRAC*

u_R^T time-reversed total field (exact)

v_R^T *TRAC* reconstruction

relative L^2 -error:

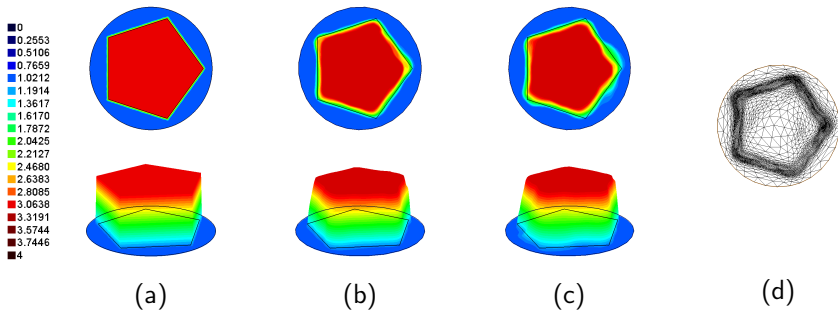
$$E(v_R) = \frac{\|u_R^T - v_R^T\|_{L^2(\omega)}}{\|u_R^T\|_{L^2(\omega)}}$$



Noise/Test	1	2	3	4	5	6	Mean value
0%	6.28%	3.14%	1.93%	3.92%	7.37%	5.18%	4.64%
5%	6.39%	3.37%	2.31%	4.15%	7.50%	5.31%	4.84%
10%	6.72%	4.03%	3.21%	4.68%	7.84%	5.78%	5.38%
20%	8.04%	5.98%	5.32%	6.28%	8.87%	7.21%	6.95%
Mean value	6.86%	4.13%	3.19%	4.76%	7.90%	5.87%	5.45%

Remark: penetrable inclusions such as $c_D = 3$ and $c_0 = 1$.

Reconstruction of a pentagon:



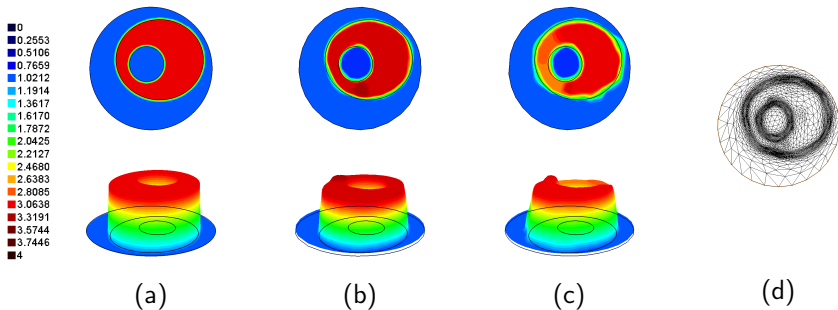
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Reconstruction of a holed ellipse:



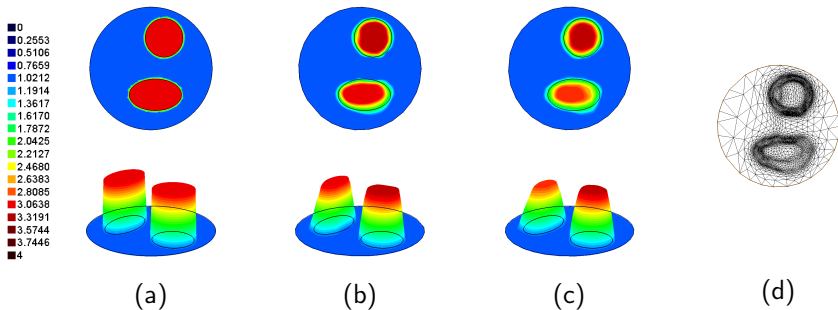
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Reconstruction of two distinct ellipses:



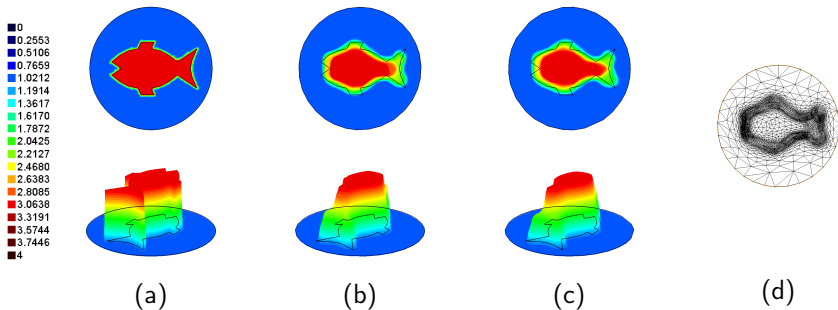
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Reconstruction of a fish:



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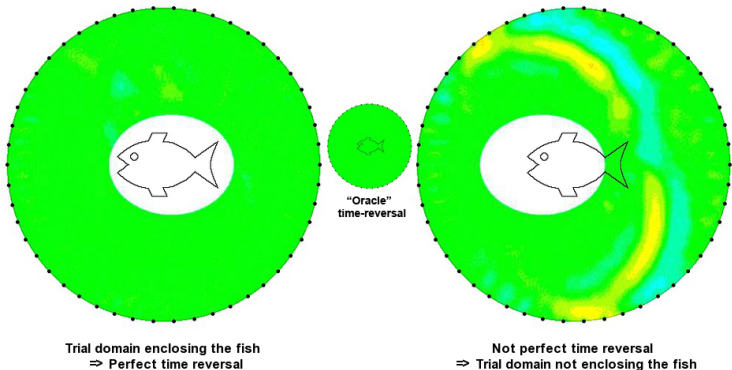
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Principle to identify the inclusion:

- If B encloses the object D , the solution u_R^S to the time reversed BVP coincides with the time reversed of the “forward” solution u^S (“oracle”).
- Conversely, if there is a difference between u_R^S and the reverse of the “forward” solution u^S , we know that domain B does not contain the inclusion.

Time Reversal with TRAC recreates the past: $t = -0.72$

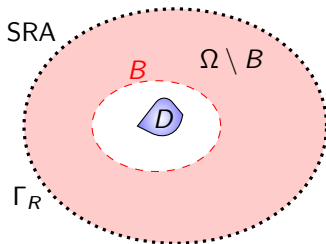


Criterion of objet discrimination

In **full** aperture : final time criterion

$$J_{FT}(B) := \frac{\|v_R^S(T_f, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\Omega \setminus B)}}{\sup_{t \in [0, T_f]} \|u^I(t, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)}}$$

v_R^S computed time-reverse scattered field
 u^I known forward incident wave



Robustness w.r.t noise on the recorded data

Only Final time solutions are displayed

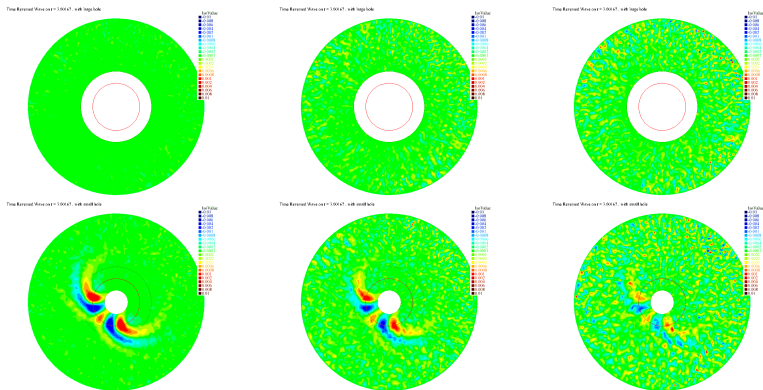


Figure: $Coeff = 10\%$, $Coeff = 30\%$, $Coeff = 50\%$

Aim: Objects identification and **counting**.

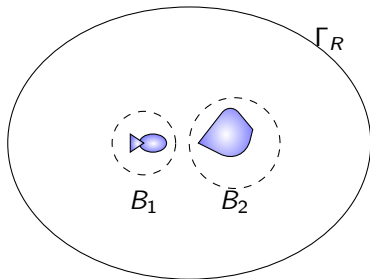
TRAC problem:

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with

$$\text{TRAC}_k(u) := \left(-\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial}{\partial r_k} + \frac{c}{2r_k} \right) u$$

and r_k the radial coordinate with origin at the center of B_k



Improvement of the TRAC method for multiscattering:

New TRAC problem:

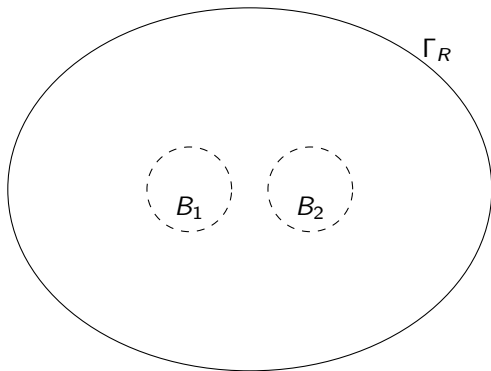
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$$g_\ell := \text{TRAC}_k(u_{\ell,R}) \quad k \neq \ell$$

Problem: Find $u_{1,R}$ on B_2 (respectively $u_{2,R}$ on B_1)

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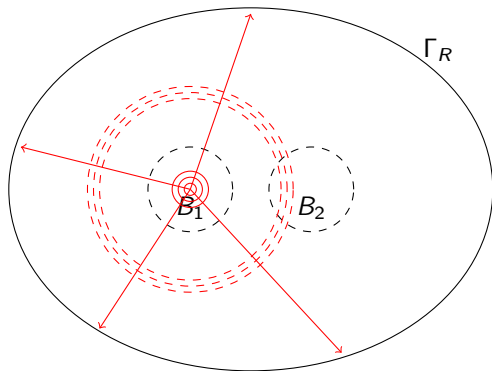
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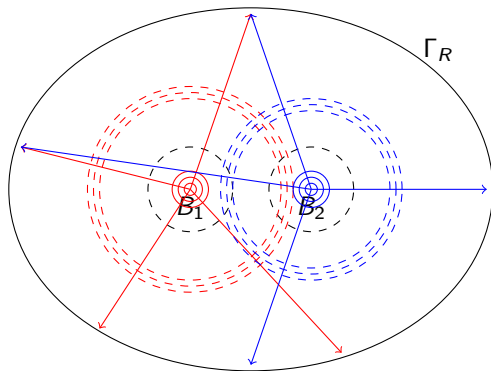
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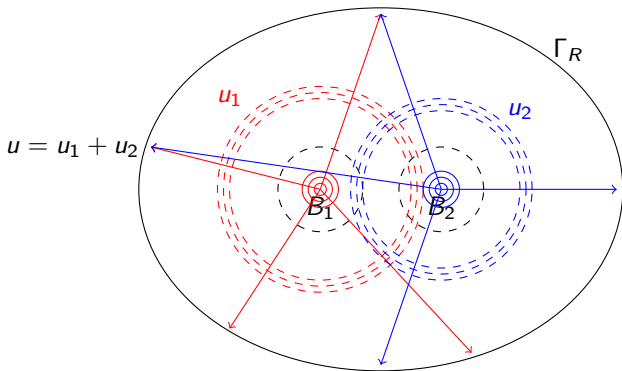
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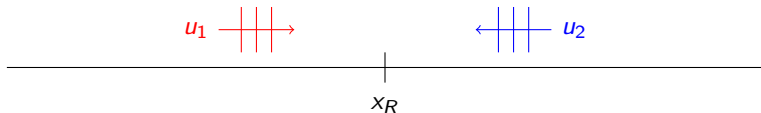
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Analogous case in 1D

$$u(t, x) := u_1(x - ct) + u_2(x + ct)$$



On x_R , absorbing boundary condition

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}}_{\text{data}} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x}}_{=0} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial u_2}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x}}_{2\partial u_2 / \partial t}$$

By integrating in time on $[0, t]$ (initialization at 0), we get u_2 , then u_1

Numerical results: accuracy at 10^{-14}

2D case for θ -independent source functions

$$\begin{aligned}u(t, \vec{x}) &:= u_1(r_1 - ct) + u_2(r_2 - ct) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_1}} f_1(r_1 - ct) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_2}} f_2(r_2 - ct)\end{aligned}$$

Functions f_i are constant along the characteristics $r_i - ct$

Filter operators:

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i} \right) (\sqrt{r_i} u) = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + c \frac{\partial}{\partial r_i} \right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{r_i}{r_j}} f_j \right), \quad \text{for } i \neq j$$

After a change of variable: first order ODE in time to get f_j with homogeneous initial condition

Numerical result: error $\sim 1\%$

Next ?

- 2D case for θ -dependent functions (in progress)
- more than 2 sources
- 3D:

$$\begin{aligned}u(t, \vec{x}) &:= u_1(r_1 - ct, \theta_1, \phi_1) + u_2(r_2 - ct, \theta_2, \phi_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{r_1} f_1(r_1 - ct, \theta_1, \phi_1) + \frac{1}{r_2} f_2(r_2 - ct, \theta_2, \phi_2)\end{aligned}$$

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Conclusion about the *TRAC* method

- stability and energy estimate
- time and frequency domain method
- redatuming without paraxial approximation
- for solid or penetrable object of any shape
- robust with respect to noise on the recorded data
- full and partial aperture of the SRA
- application to discrimination between one and two nearby inclusions

Actual work & prospects

- improvement of the TRAC for multiple scatterers (ABC for multiple scattering, Grote et al., 2007, 2011, joint work with Marcus Grote, Unibas)
- comparison with experimental data (joint work with Frédéric Nataf and Franck Assous)
- combination of the *TRAC* method and an inverse problem technique (joint work with Maya de Buhan, Paris 5)
- other equations: Maxwell, elasticity (ANR Medimax)

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