

Full Waveform Inversion

Applications of body waves

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Shallow marine data



2 km

Shallow land data



10 m

Non-destructive testing



50 cm

Medical imaging



10 cm

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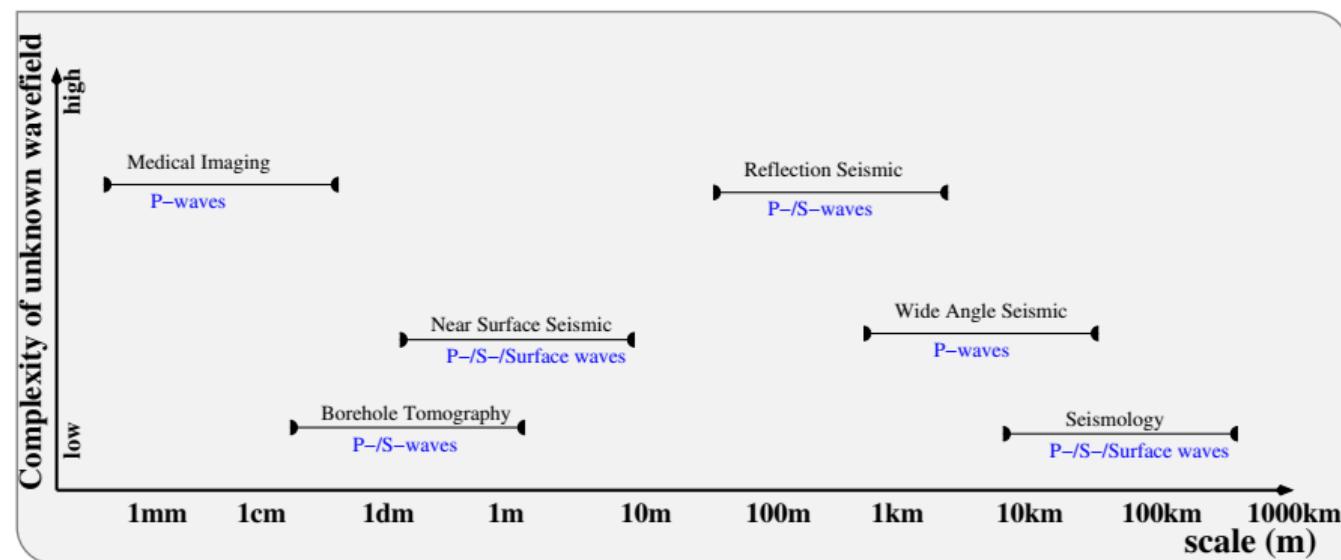
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Applications of FWI

In recent 20 years FWI has been applied successfully to different wave types on a broad range of spatial scales covering 9 orders of magnitude



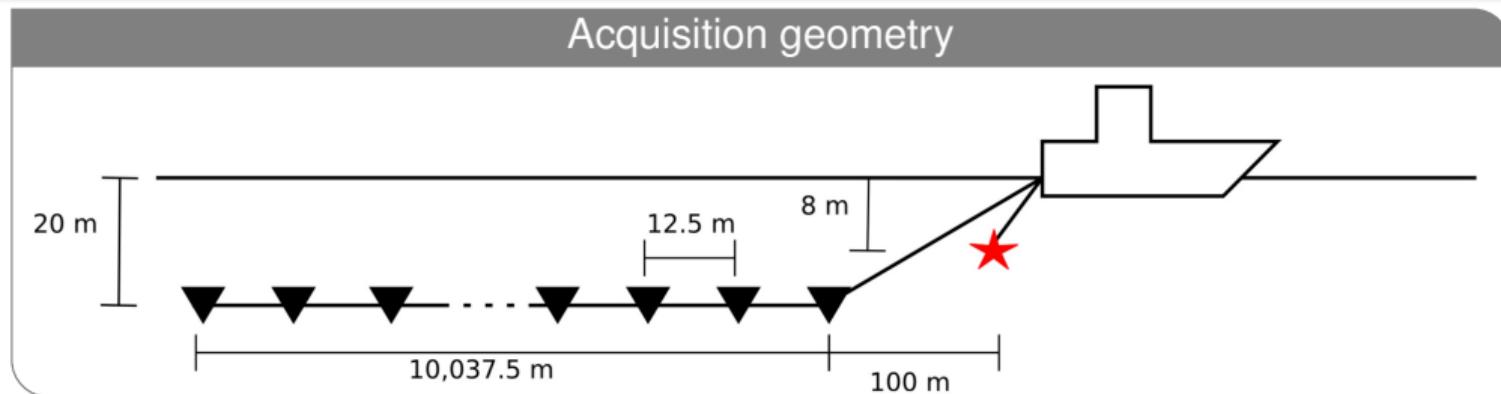
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Acoustic/elastic FWI of marine streamer data

Goal

- Imaging of structures above (and below) a salt dome located west of Africa.



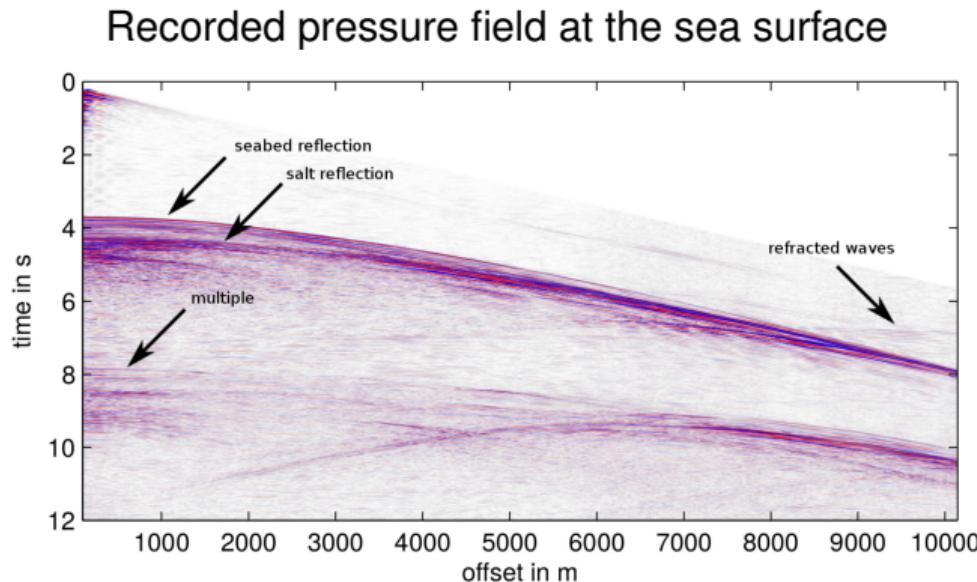
Streamer (length 10 km) record P-waves in the water

(Thiel 2018)

Data was provided by PGS



Marine streamer field data example

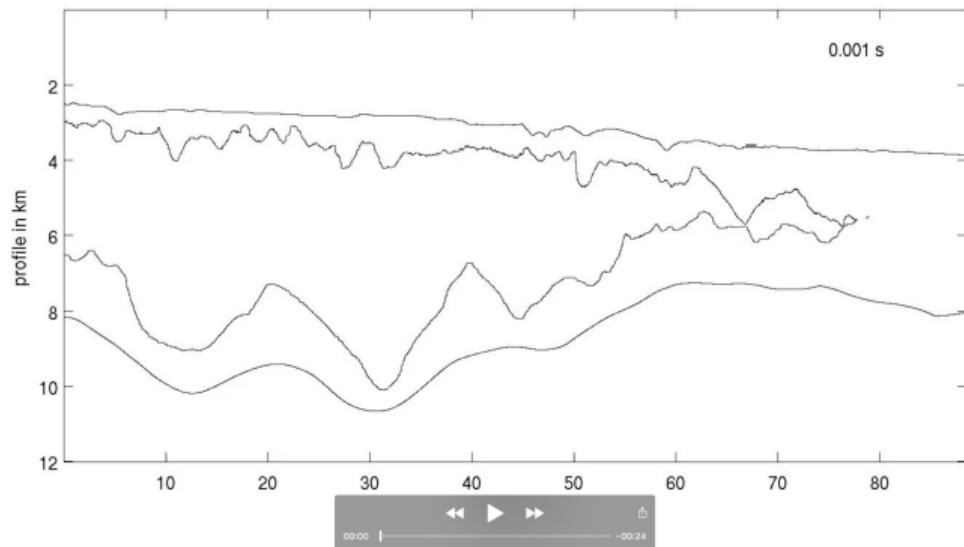


FWI: Conjugate gradients, $N_s = 19$, $I_n \approx 60 - 90$

(Thiel 2018)

Acoustic Finite-Difference Simulation

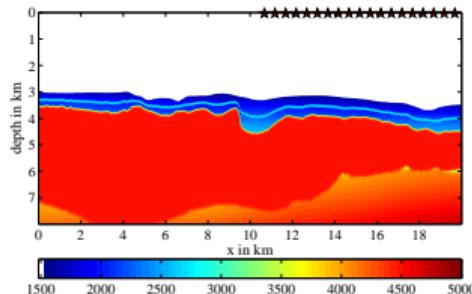
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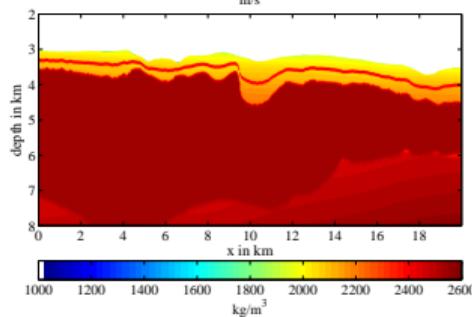
Synthetic reconstruction test

P-wave velocity

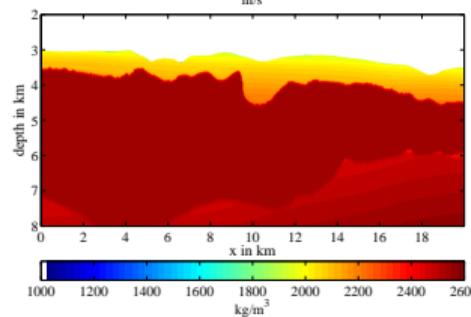
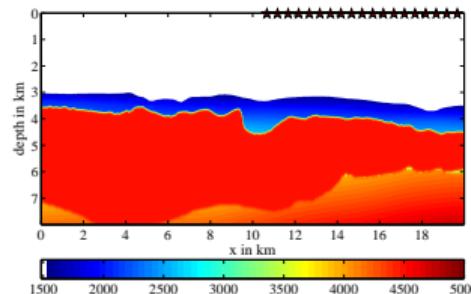
True model



Density



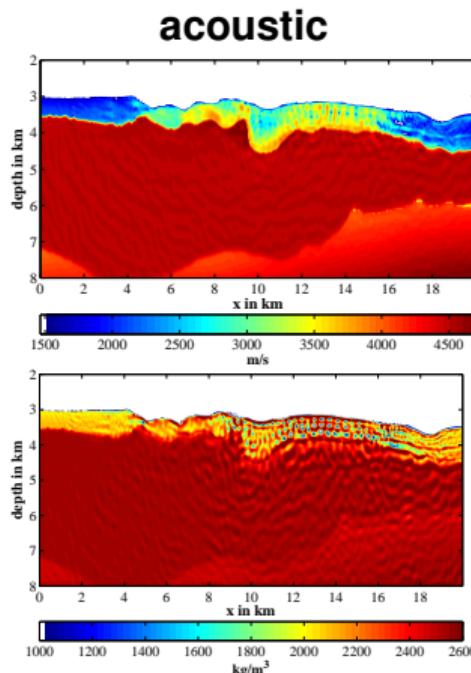
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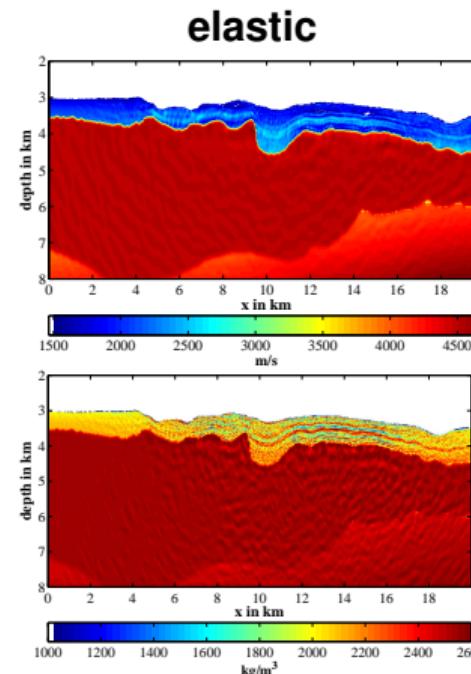
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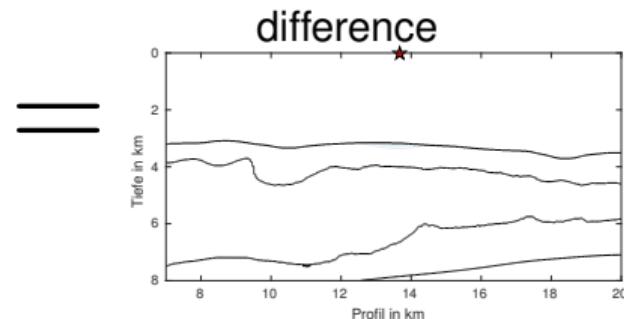
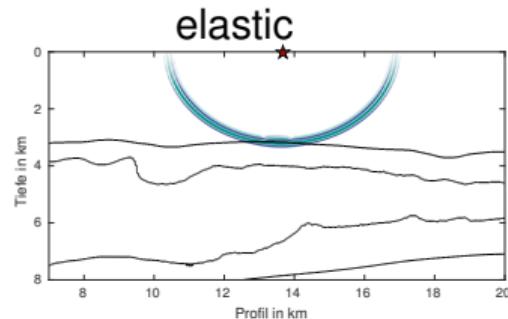
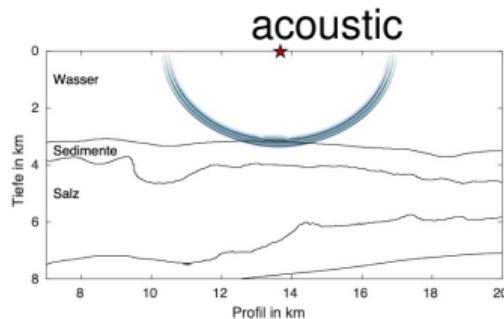


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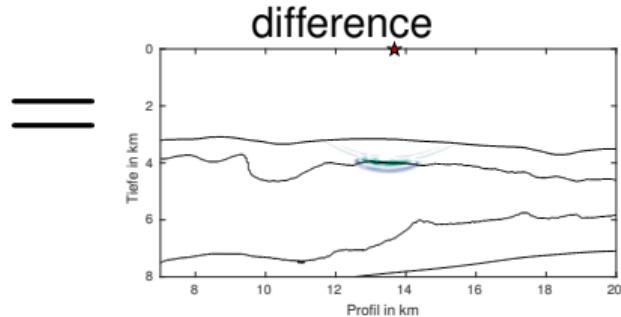
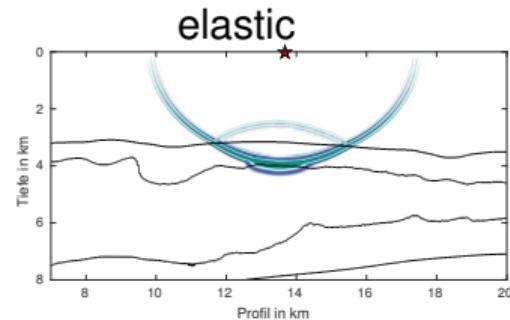
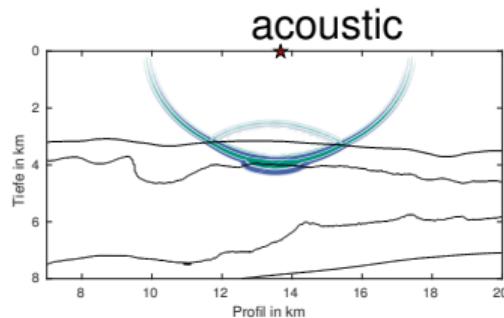
→ Elastic Modelling/FWI is necessary

Evolution of pressure in acoustic and elastic simulation



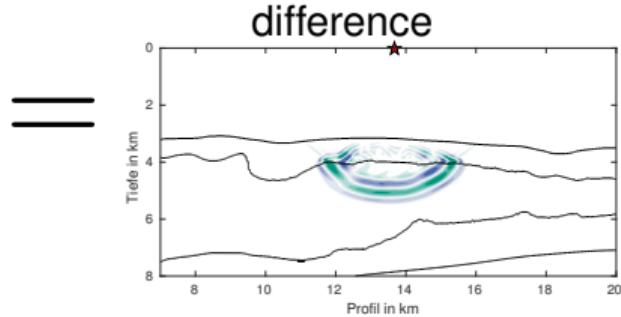
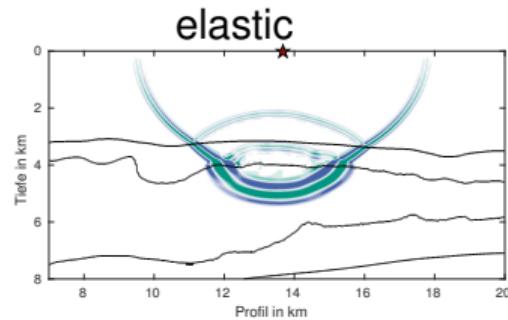
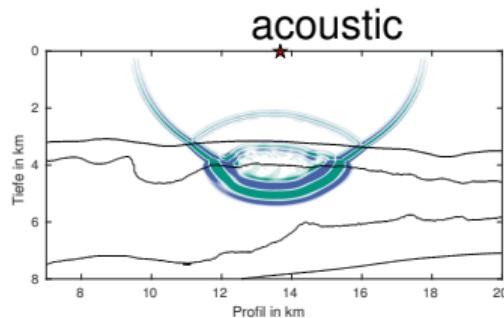
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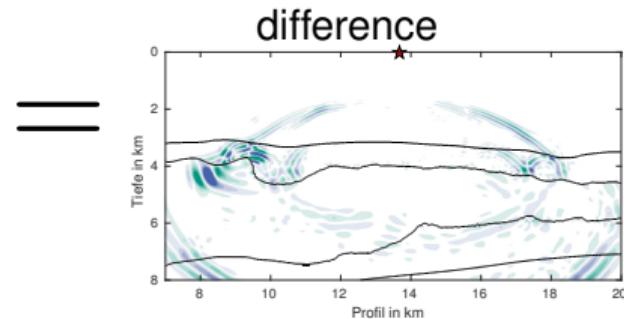
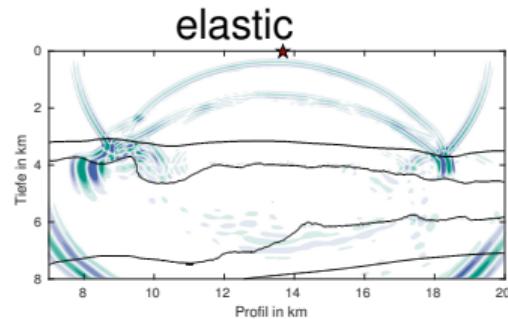
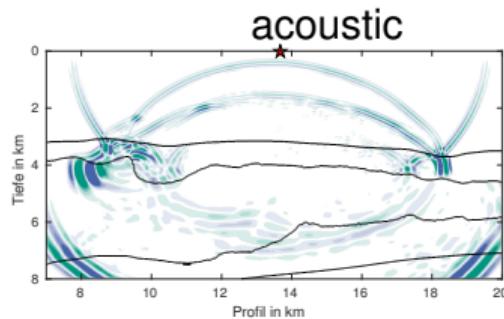
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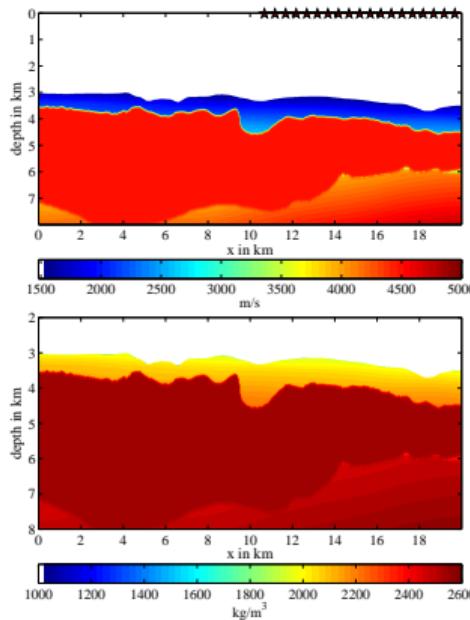


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Comparison of acoustic and elastic simulation

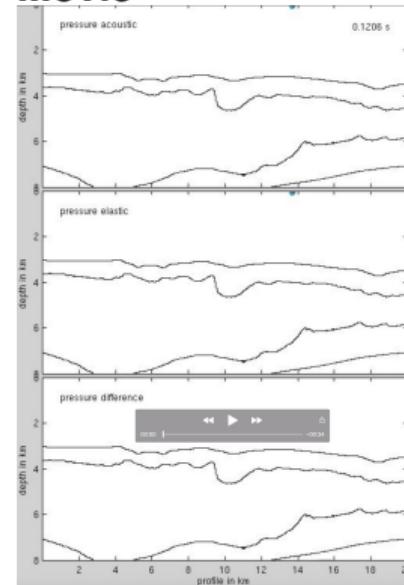
P-wave velocity

Initial model

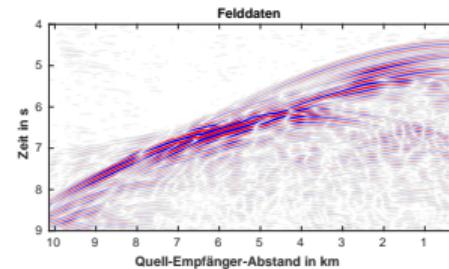
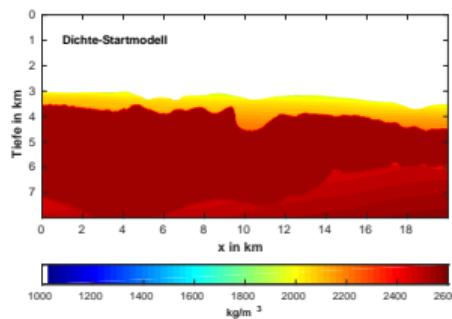
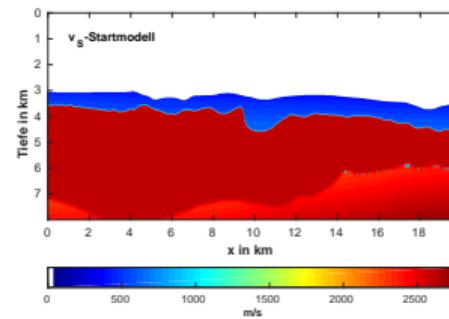
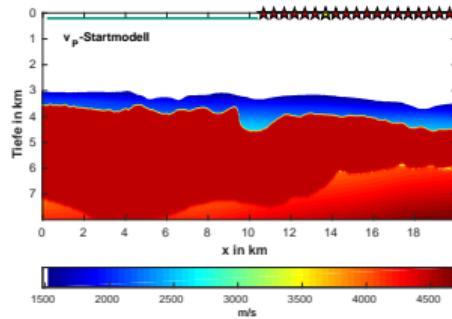


Density

Movie

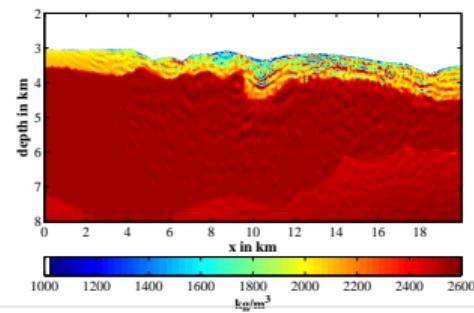
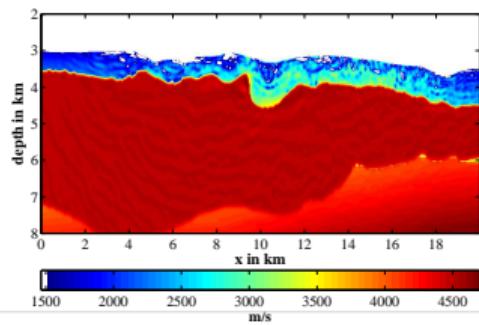
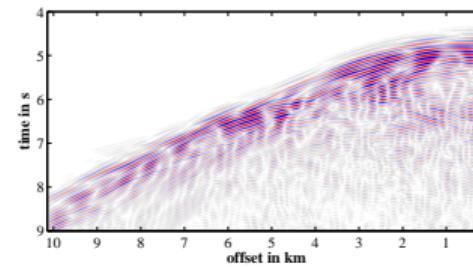
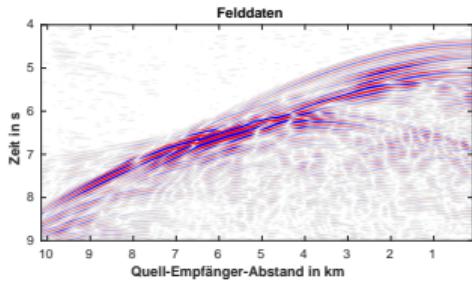


Initial model and field data

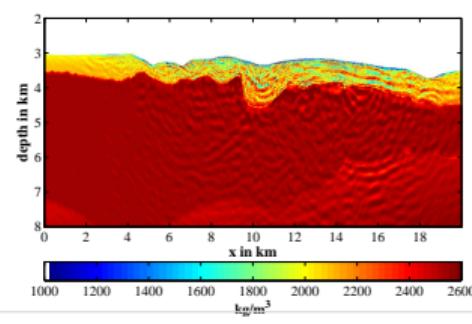
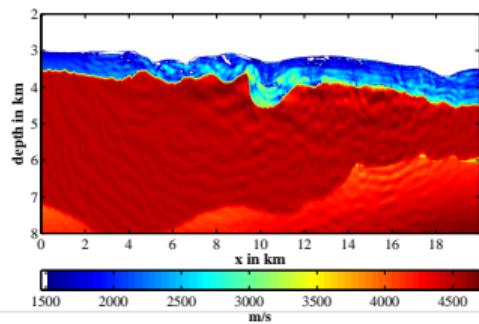
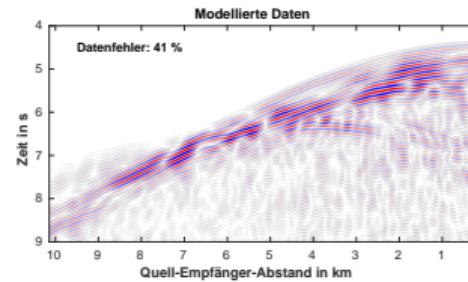
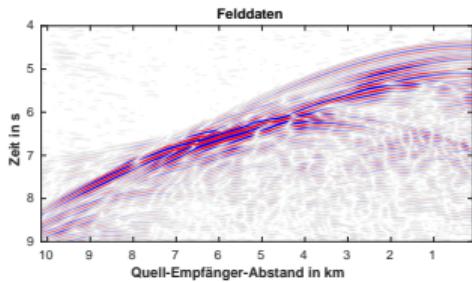


Shot at $x \approx 13,5$ km

Application of acoustic FWI to field data

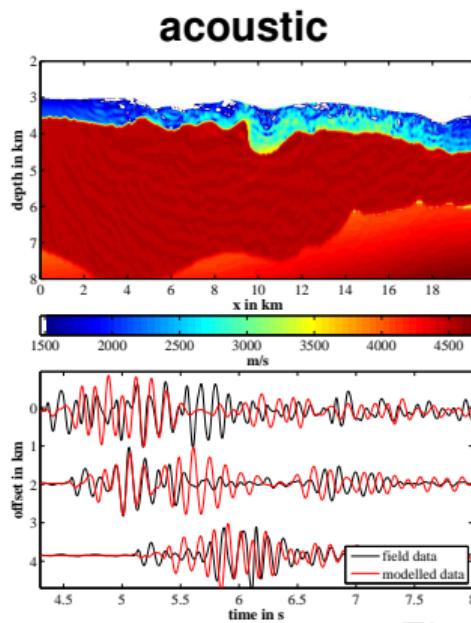


Application of elastic FWI to field data

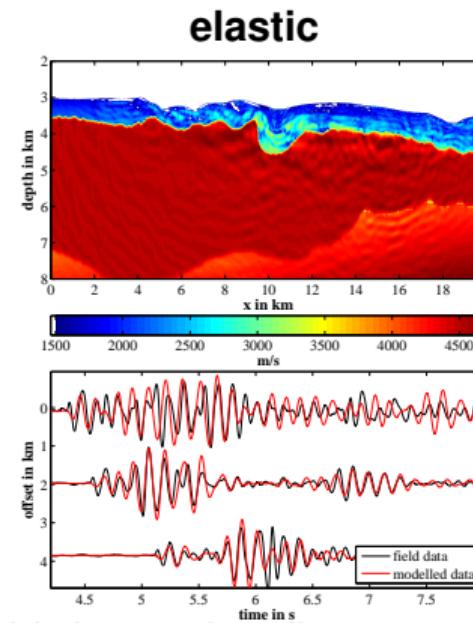


Comparison of acoustic and elastic FWI models

P-wave velocity

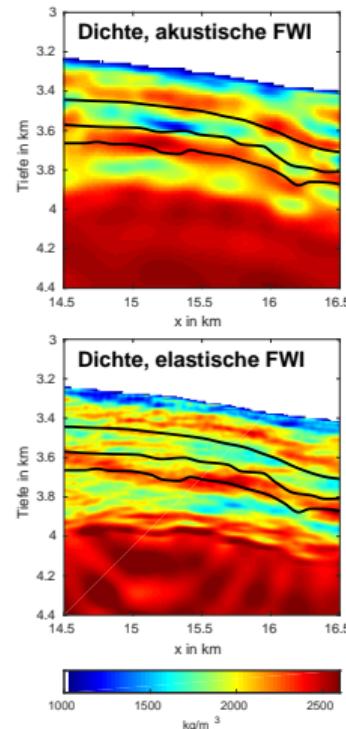
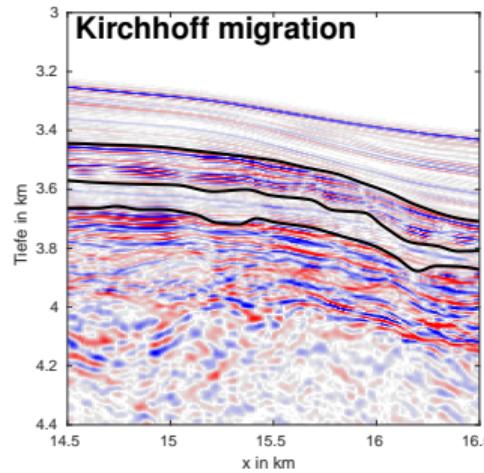
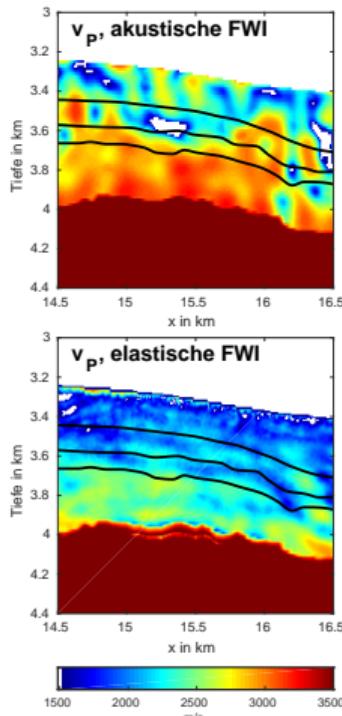


Data fit



→ Elastic FWI yields better data fit

Comparison of acoustic and elastic FWI models



Acoustic/elastic FWI of marine streamer data for top-salt imaging

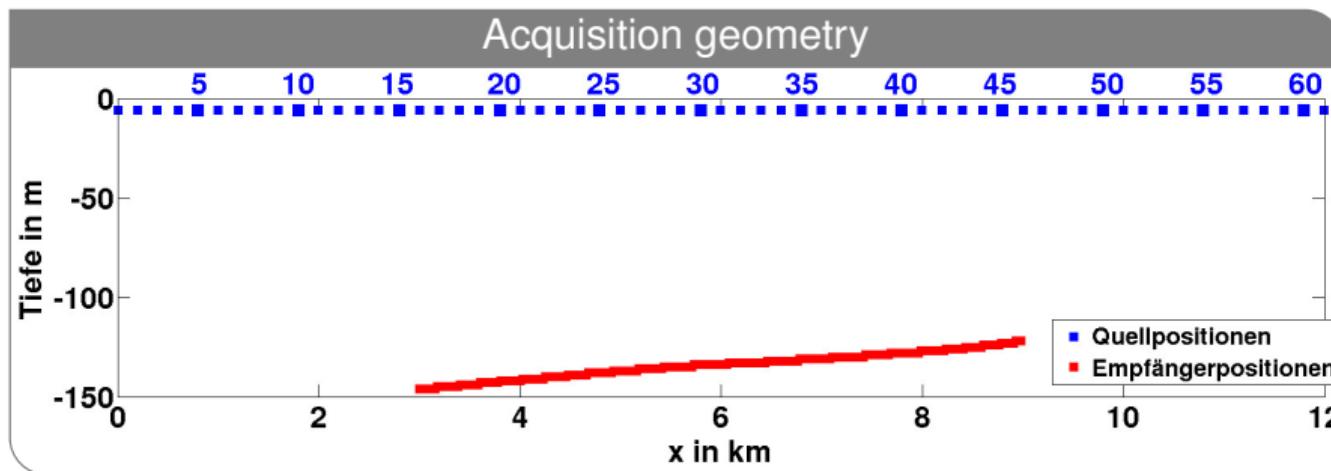
Conclusions

- Elastic FWI may be necessary even in marine environment in the presence of strong contrast discontinuities such as salt
- The discontinuities in the P-velocity (and density) show similarities to the reflectivity seen in migrated images

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FWI of OBC data in shallow water



- Ocean-Bottom-Cable
- Length: 6 km, 240 Hydrophones
- 61 Airgun shots
- Water depth approx. 130m
- Maximum offset 9 km

(Kunert 2015, Kunert et al. 2016, Habelitz 2017)

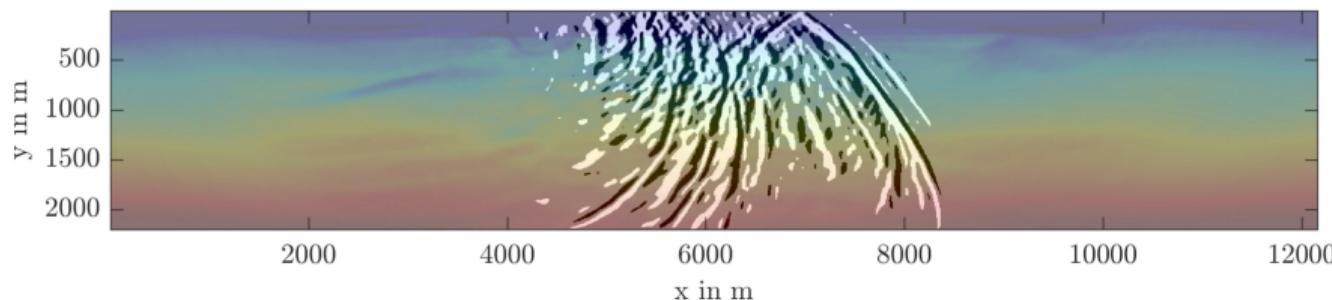
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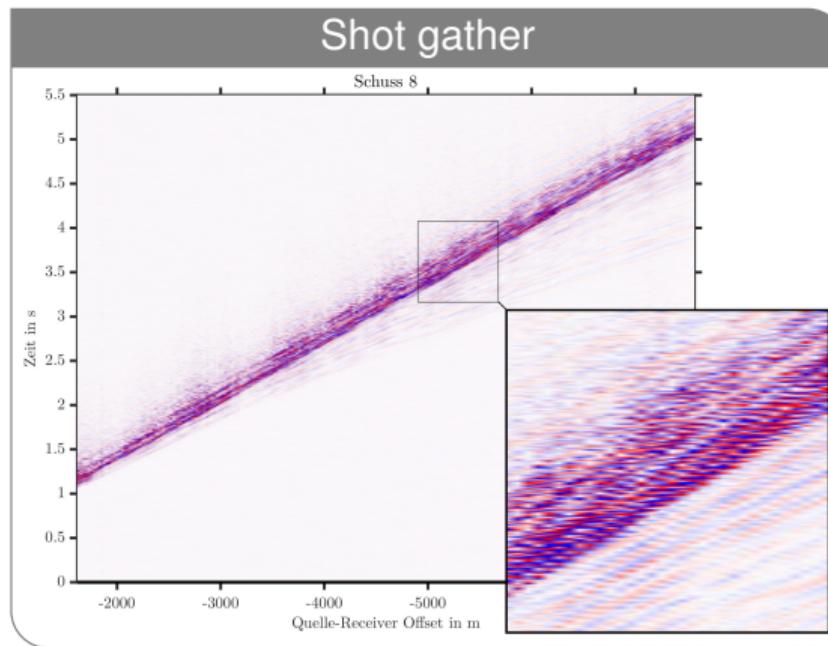
Acoustic simulation of wavefield in the final FWI model

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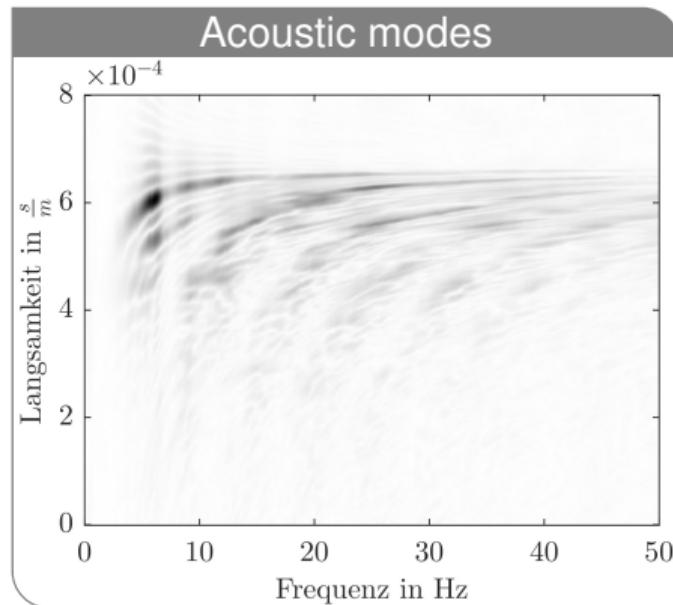
(Habelitz 2017)

FWI of OBC data in shallow water



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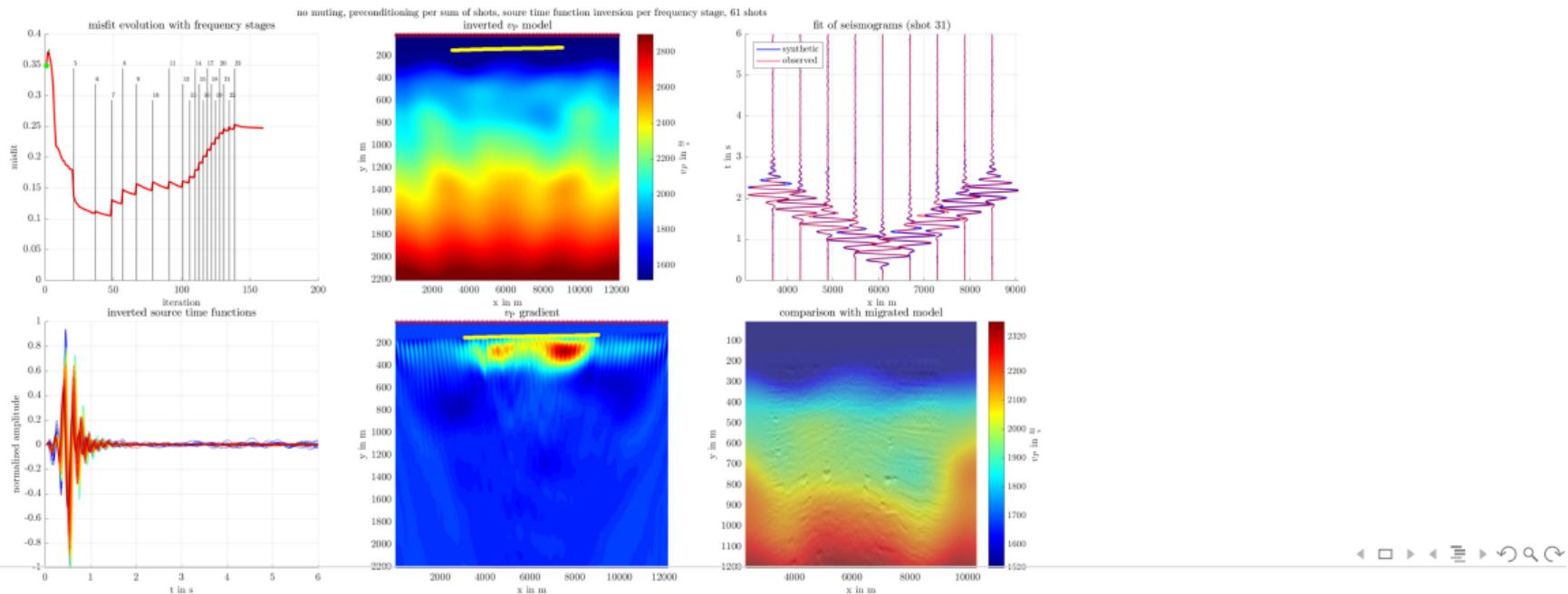


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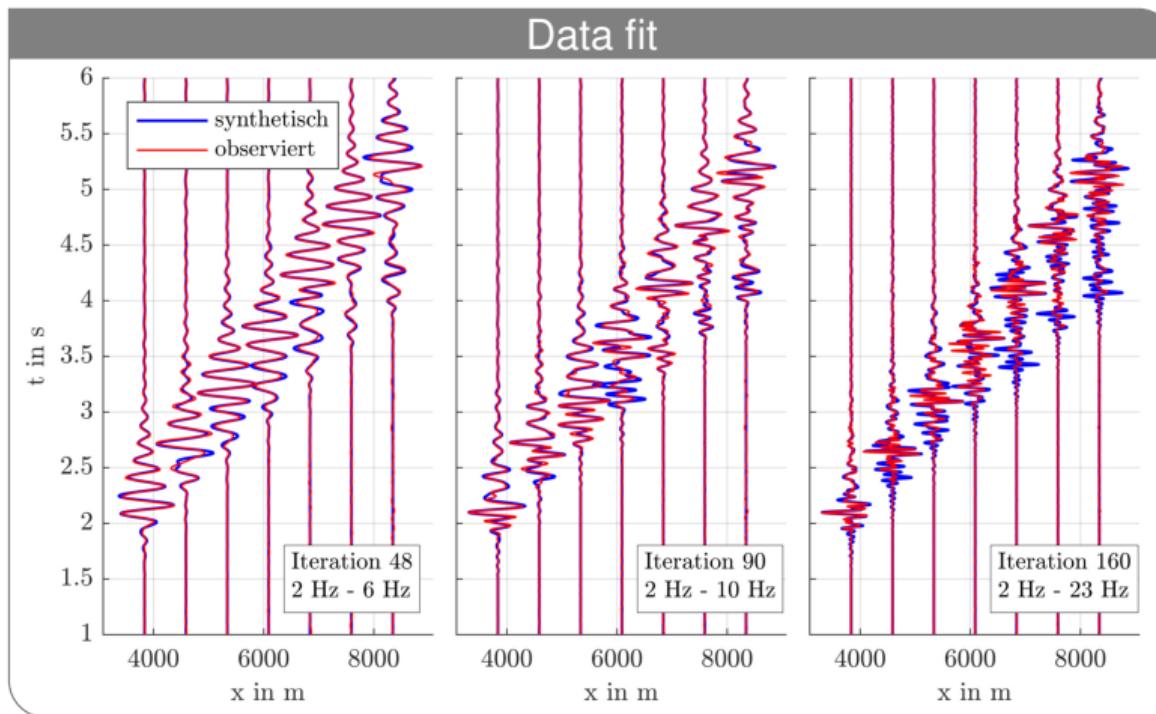
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Performance of FWI

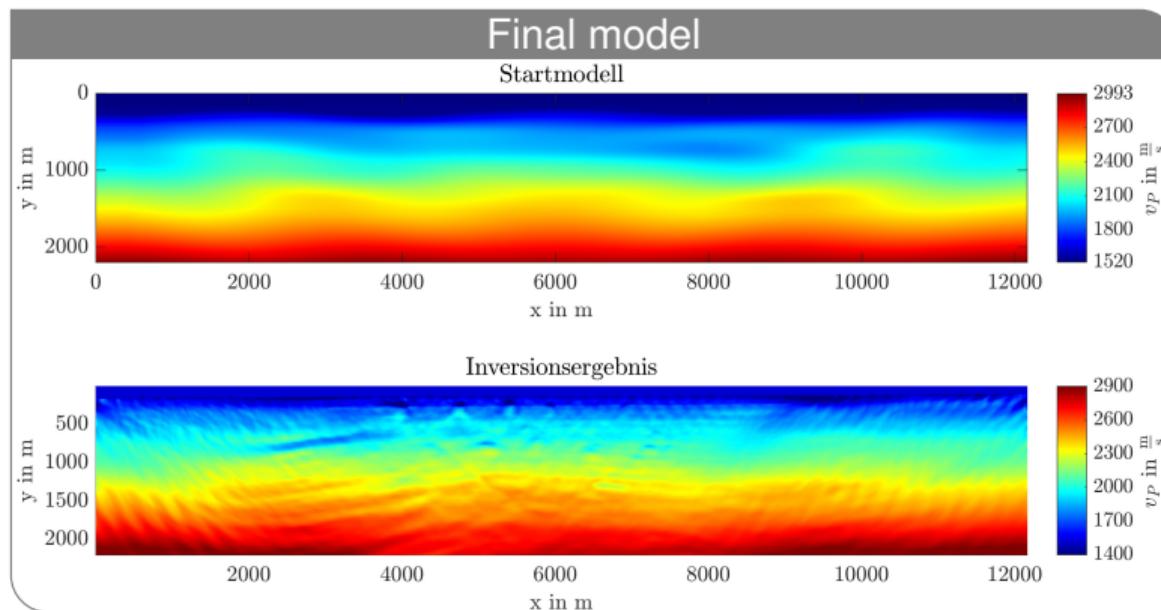
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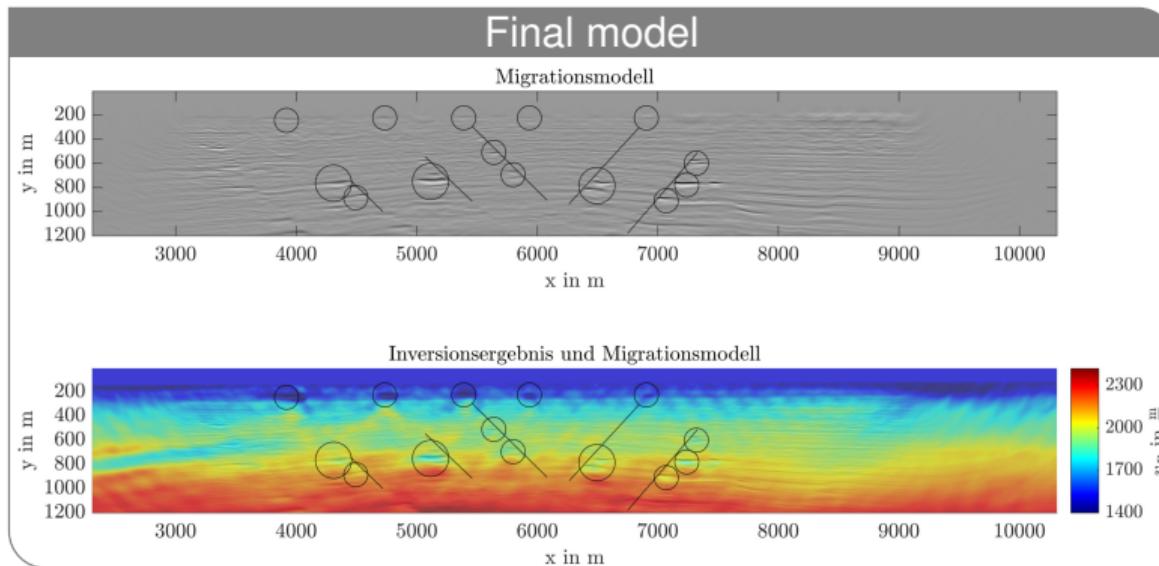


FWI of OBC data in shallow water



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Conclusions

- Acoustic FWI of guided waves in shallow water was successful
- Higher resolution of Vp model reveals gas accumulations and pathways along faults
- Consistent with migrated images of reflected waves (independent data)

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Motivation

Non-destructive testing (NDT):

- Crucial task to prevent failures of building materials
- Current methods are limited in recovering material parameters



IDEA

Full-waveform inversion can help to improve imaging of flaws and other anomalies in building materials

(Mueller 2020)

2D reconstruction test

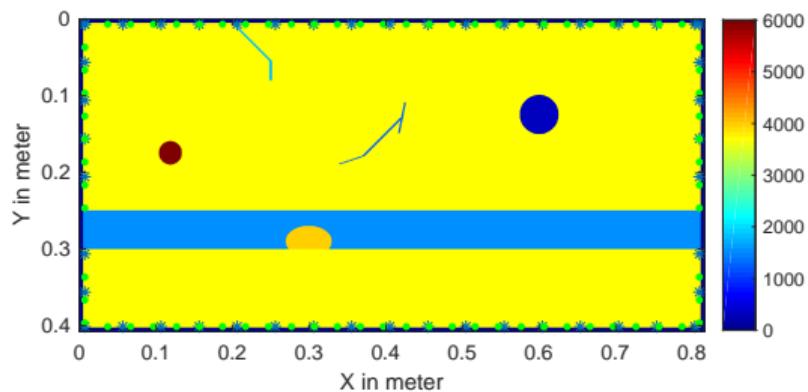
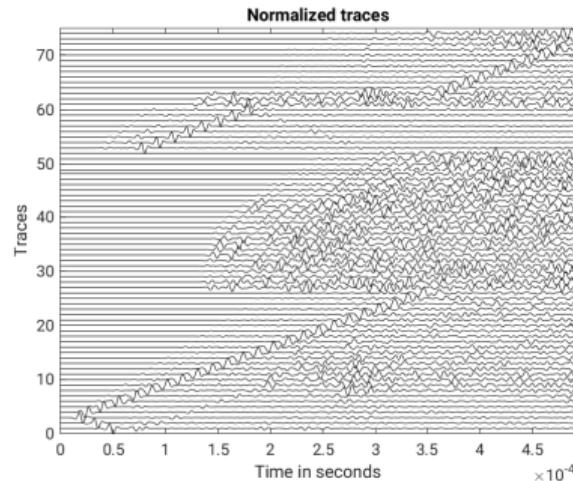


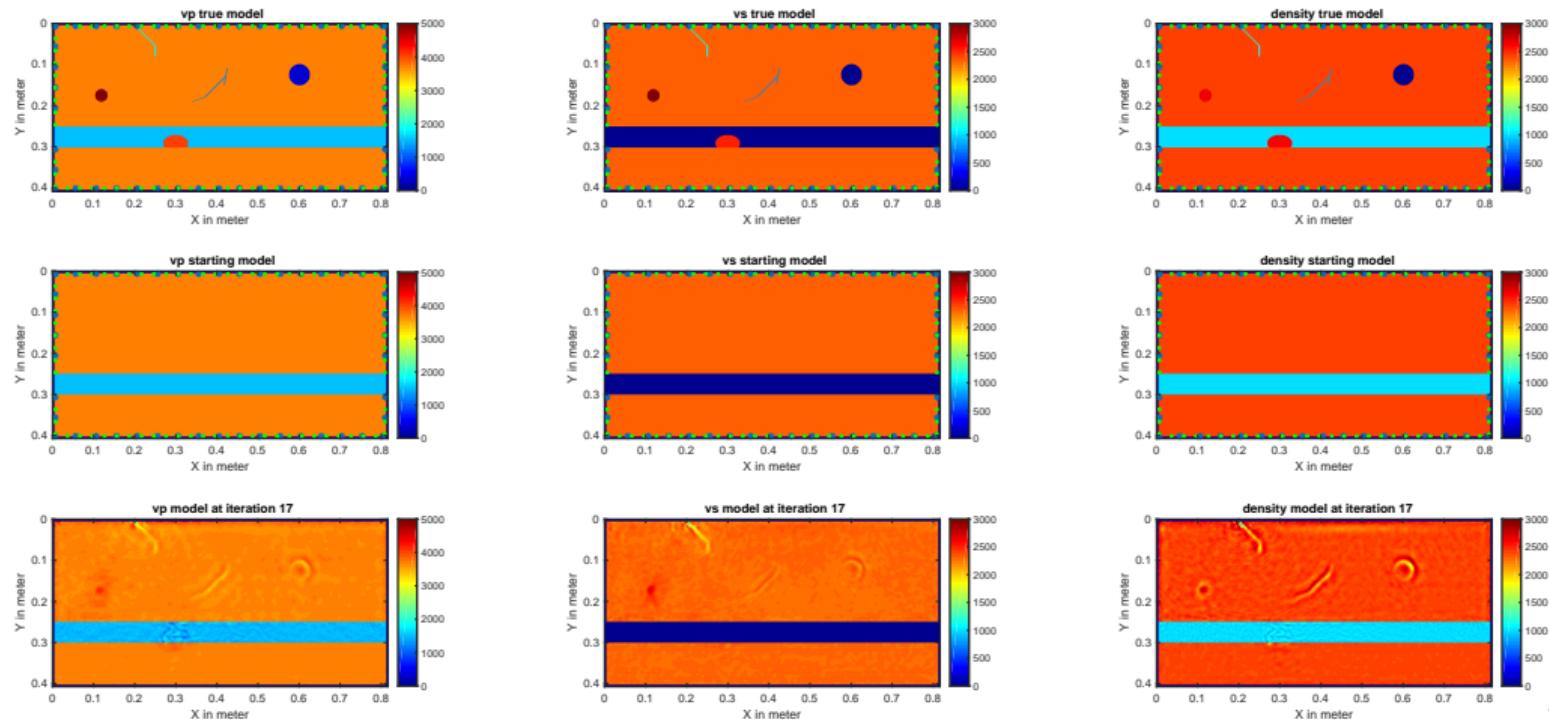
Figure: 2D model with pipe and additional perturbations.



Start animation:

forward simulation

Results of elastic FWI



Data fit

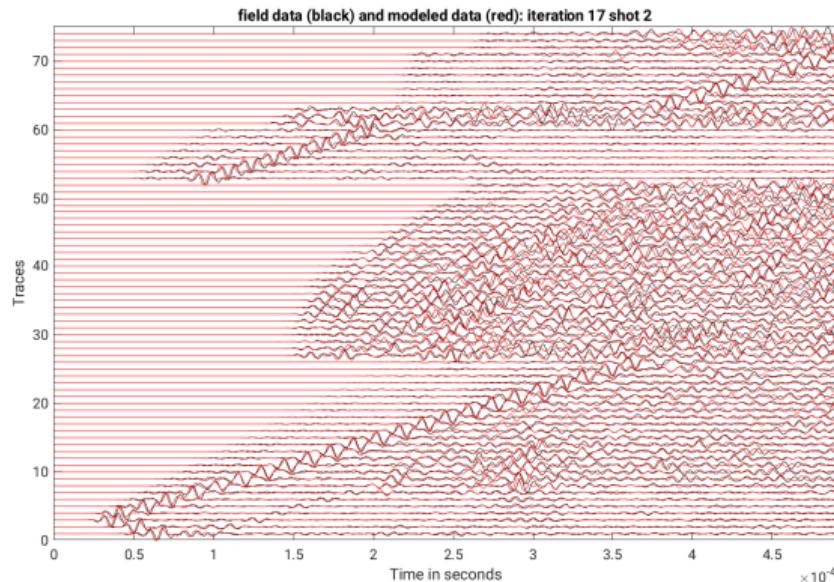


Figure: Initial data (red) and final data (black).

Application of elastic FWI for NDT

Conclusions

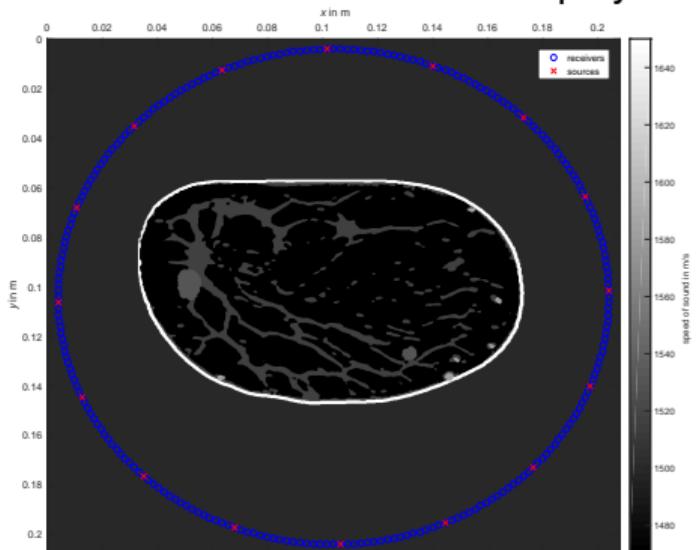
- High potential in recovering multi-parameter models with high resolution
- First test with measured data are promising
- Models with complex 3D perturbations and geometries will require 3D FWI

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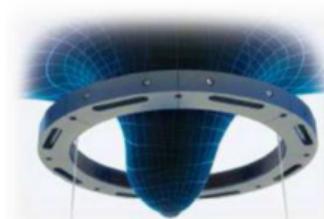
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Acquisition geometry

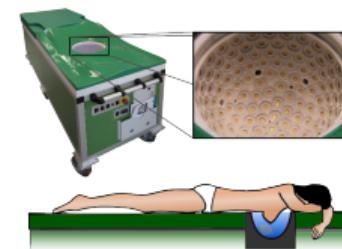
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2D acquisition geometry used in the reconstruction test.
The ring array is equipped with 256 receivers and 16 sources.



Measurement with a 2D ring transducer
(Sandhu et al., 2015)

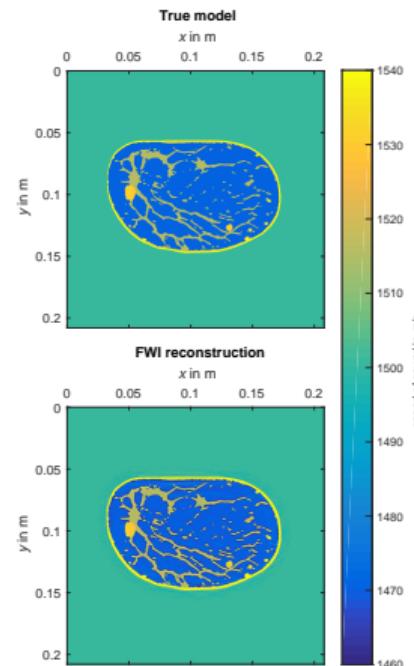


Prototype of a ultrasound device with a full
3D acquisition geometry (Ruiter et al., 2017).

(Kühn 2018)

Reconstruction of speed of sound

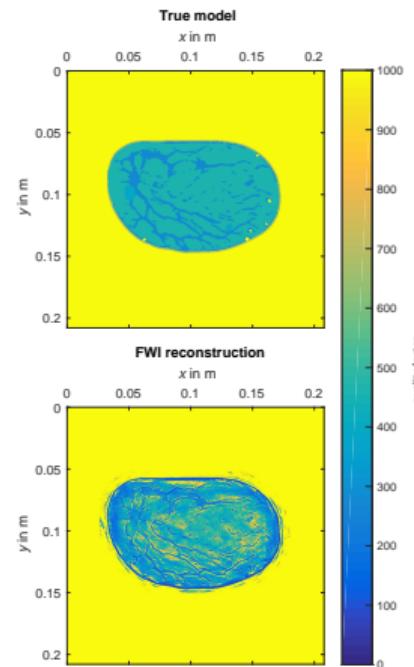
Propagation medium	v_p, true in m/s	$\bar{v}_{p, \text{FWI}}$ in m/s	$\sigma(v_{p, \text{FWI}})$ in m/s
Fat	1470	1469	6
Fibroglandular	1515	1520	13
Tumour	1530	1530	7
Blood vessels	1584	1572	18
Skin	1650	1636	28
Water	1500	NA	NA



True, initial and inverted speed of sound models (Kühn 2018)

Reconstruction of damping

Propagation medium	$Q_{p,true}$	$\overline{Q_{p,FWI}}$	$\sigma(Q_{p,FWI})$
Fat	462	459	172
Fibroglandular	279	263	125
Tumour	385	382	109
Blood vessels	>1000	178	83
Skin	644	394	381
Water	>1000	NA	NA



True, initial and inverted quality factor models (Kühn 2018)

Data fit



(Kühn 2018)

Visco-acoustic FWI for medical imaging

Conclusions

- Forward modelling is very expensive due to the high frequencies in medical imaging
- 3D applications are still prohibitive
- 2D visco-acoustic FWI of synthetic data with good illumination works very well
- Detailed models of P-velocity and attenuation can be recovered

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Summary

First applications revealed that FWI is applicable on different wave types acquired on a broad range of spatial scales. We are still in the early stage of the development of this technology.

Current directions of research

- Application to 3D seismic data
- Reduction of number of forward modellings for 3D applications
- Multi-parameter reconstruction techniques using higher order optimization methods
- Quantification of uncertainties

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