

3-D forward modeling of elastic wave equation:

Stress-Displacement formulation, see e.g. Graves et al. (1996), equations (1-2) which include:

Equation of momentum conservation

$$\begin{aligned}\rho\ddot{u}_x &= \partial_x\tau_{xx} + \partial_y\tau_{xy} + \partial_z\tau_{xz} + f_x \\ \rho\ddot{u}_y &= \partial_x\tau_{xy} + \partial_y\tau_{yy} + \partial_z\tau_{yz} + f_y \\ \rho\ddot{u}_z &= \partial_x\tau_{xz} + \partial_y\tau_{yz} + \partial_z\tau_{zz} + f_z\end{aligned}$$

And Equation of stress-strain relations

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_{xx} &= (\lambda + 2\mu)\partial_x u_x + \lambda(\partial_y u_y + \partial_z u_z) \\ \tau_{yy} &= (\lambda + 2\mu)\partial_y u_y + \lambda(\partial_x u_x + \partial_z u_z) \\ \tau_{zz} &= (\lambda + 2\mu)\partial_z u_z + \lambda(\partial_x u_x + \partial_y u_y) \\ \tau_{xy} &= \lambda(\partial_y u_x + \partial_x u_y) \\ \tau_{xz} &= \lambda(\partial_z u_x + \partial_x u_z) \\ \tau_{yz} &= \lambda(\partial_z u_y + \partial_y u_z)\end{aligned}$$

where (u_x, u_y, u_z) are the displacement components; $(\tau_{xx}, \tau_{yy}, \tau_{zz}, \tau_{xy}, \tau_{xz}, \tau_{yz})$ are the stress components; (f_x, f_y, f_z) are the body-force components; ρ is the density; λ and μ are Lamé coefficients. The symbols $\partial_x, \partial_y, \partial_z$ are the spatial differential operators and \ddot{u} is the second order temporal derivative.

Stress-Velocity formulation, see e.g. Graves et al. (1996), equations (3-4) which include:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{v}_x &= b(\partial_x\tau_{xx} + \partial_y\tau_{xy} + \partial_z\tau_{xz} + f_x) \\ \dot{v}_y &= b(\partial_x\tau_{xy} + \partial_y\tau_{yy} + \partial_z\tau_{yz} + f_y) \\ \dot{v}_z &= b(\partial_x\tau_{xz} + \partial_y\tau_{yz} + \partial_z\tau_{zz} + f_z)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{\tau}_{xx} &= (\lambda + 2\mu)\partial_x v_x + \lambda(\partial_y v_y + \partial_z v_z) \\
\dot{\tau}_{yy} &= (\lambda + 2\mu)\partial_y v_y + \lambda(\partial_x v_x + \partial_z v_z) \\
\dot{\tau}_{zz} &= (\lambda + 2\mu)\partial_z v_z + \lambda(\partial_x v_x + \partial_y v_y) \\
\dot{\tau}_{xy} &= \lambda(\partial_y v_x + \partial_x v_y) \\
\dot{\tau}_{xz} &= \lambda(\partial_z v_x + \partial_x v_z) \\
\dot{\tau}_{yz} &= \lambda(\partial_z v_y + \partial_y v_z)
\end{aligned}$$

where $b = 1/\rho$ is the buoyancy.

For convenience to storage **the strains for inversion**, the Stress-Displacement formulation also can be written in more general form as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\rho\ddot{u}_i &= \partial_j \tau_{ij} + f_i \\
\tau_{ij} &= \lambda\theta\delta_{ij} + 2\mu\epsilon_{ij} \\
\epsilon_{ij} &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_j u_i + \partial_i u_j)
\end{aligned}$$

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\end{aligned}$$

where i, j are spatial directions x, y and z ; ϵ_{ij} are strain components; $\theta = \frac{\epsilon_{ii}}{3}$ is the mean strain; δ_{ij} is the Kronecker function. We also want to introduce **the deviator strains components** as following:

$$\epsilon'_{ij} = \epsilon_{ij} - \theta.$$

Finite-Difference Implementation

The equations of the Stress-Velocity formulation is solved using a staggered-grid finite-difference technique, see e.g. Graves et al. (1996), equations (5-6) which

include:

Discrete form for the velocities

$$\begin{aligned}
vx_{i+1/2,j,k}^{n+1/2} &= vx_{i+1/2,j,k}^{n-1/2} + [\Delta tb(D_x Txx + D_y Txy + D_z Txz + f_x)]_{i+1/2,j,k}^n \\
vy_{i,j+1/2,k}^{n+1/2} &= vy_{i,j+1/2,k}^{n-1/2} + [\Delta tb(D_x Txx + D_y Txy + D_z Txz + f_x)]_{i,j+1/2,k}^n \\
vz_{i,j,k+1/2}^{n+1/2} &= vz_{i,j,k+1/2}^{n-1/2} + [\Delta tb(D_x Txx + D_y Txy + D_z Txz + f_x)]_{i,j,k+1/2}^n
\end{aligned}$$

Discrete form for the stresses

$$\begin{aligned}
Txx_{i,j,k}^{n+1} &= Txx_{i,j,k}^n + \Delta t[(\lambda + 2\mu)(D_x vx + \lambda(D_x vy + D_z vz))]_{i,j,k}^{n+1/2} \\
Tyy_{i,j,k}^{n+1} &= Tyy_{i,j,k}^n + \Delta t[(\lambda + 2\mu)(D_x vx + \lambda(D_x vy + D_z vz))]_{i,j,k}^{n+1/2} \\
Tzz_{i,j,k}^{n+1} &= Tzz_{i,j,k}^n + \Delta t[(\lambda + 2\mu)(D_x vx + \lambda(D_x vy + D_z vz))]_{i,j,k}^{n+1/2} \\
Txy_{i+1/2,j+1/2,k}^{n+1} &= Txy_{i+1/2,j+1/2,k}^n + \Delta t[\mu(D_x vy + D_y vx)]_{i+1/2,j+1/2,k}^{n+1/2} \\
Txz_{i+1/2,j,k+1/2}^{n+1} &= Txz_{i+1/2,j,k+1/2}^n + \Delta t[\mu(D_x vz + D_z vx)]_{i+1/2,j,k+1/2}^{n+1/2} \\
Tyz_{i,j+1/2,k+1/2}^{n+1} &= Tyz_{i,j+1/2,k+1/2}^n + \Delta t[\mu(D_y vz + D_z vy)]_{i,j+1/2,k+1/2}^{n+1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

where the subscripts refer to the spatial indices, and the superscripts refer to the time index; the symbols D_x, D_y and D_z represent the discrete forms of the spatial differential operators ∂_x, ∂_y , and ∂_z

Storage of the wavefields

For wavefield storage, we suggest 3 options:

-Store the velocity wavefield including 3 components: vx, vy, vz (Time integration and spatial derivatives are required at later stages).

-Store the deformation fields including 9 components: $D_x vx, D_y vy, D_z vz, D_x vy, D_y vx, D_x vz, D_z vx, D_y vz$ and $D_z vy$ (Time integration is required at later stages).

-Store the deviator strain fields including 6 components: $\epsilon_{xx}, \epsilon_{yy}, \epsilon_{xy}, \epsilon_{xz}, \epsilon_{yz}$, and θ .

For time subsampling, we can store the data fields at every n-th time step (n=5, 10, 20...)

For spatial domain downscale, (not mentioned yet!)