

# **Nonlinear Methods for Geophysical Imaging**

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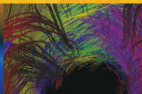
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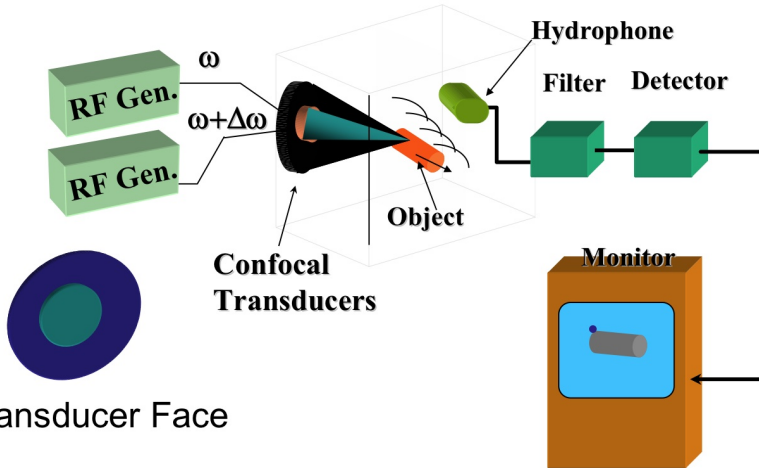


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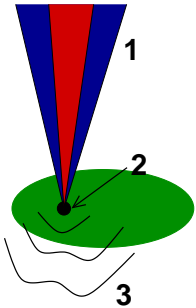
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  - ▶ **Sensing one wave with another**
- ② **FWI starting models**

# The Experiment

Fatemi & Greenleaf (1998)



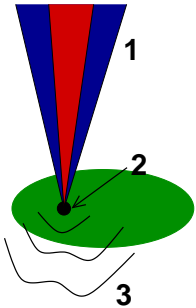
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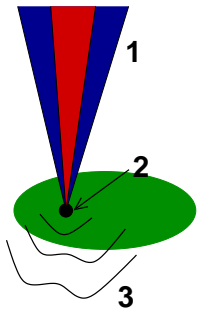


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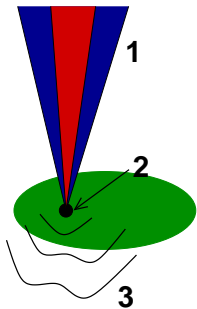
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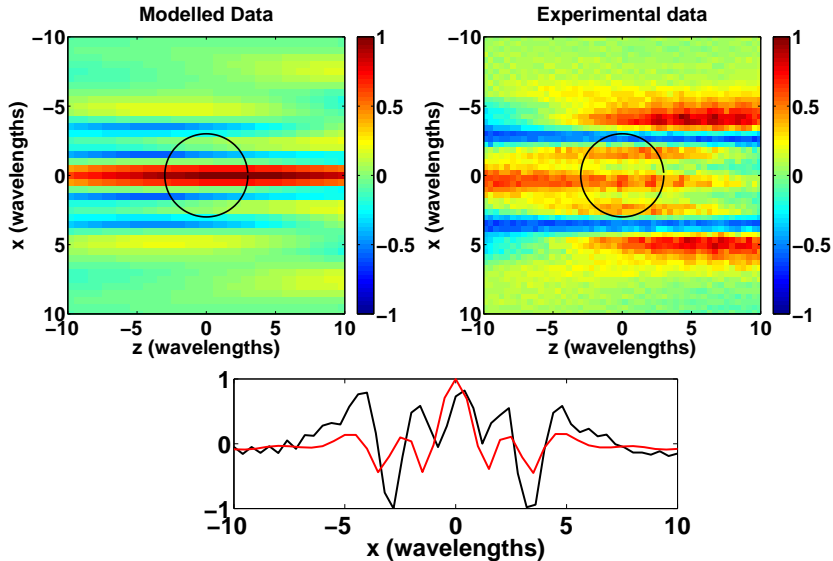
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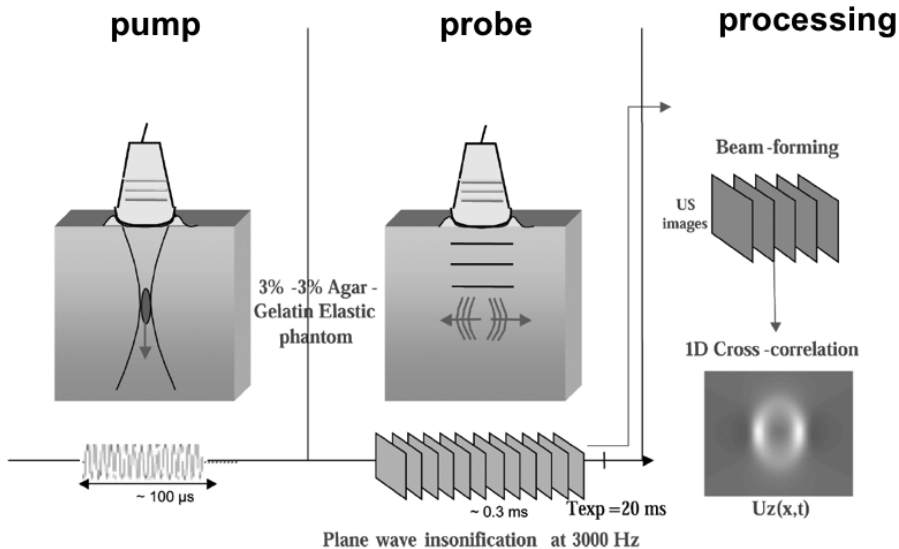
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③ image is  $|\psi|$  (focus point)

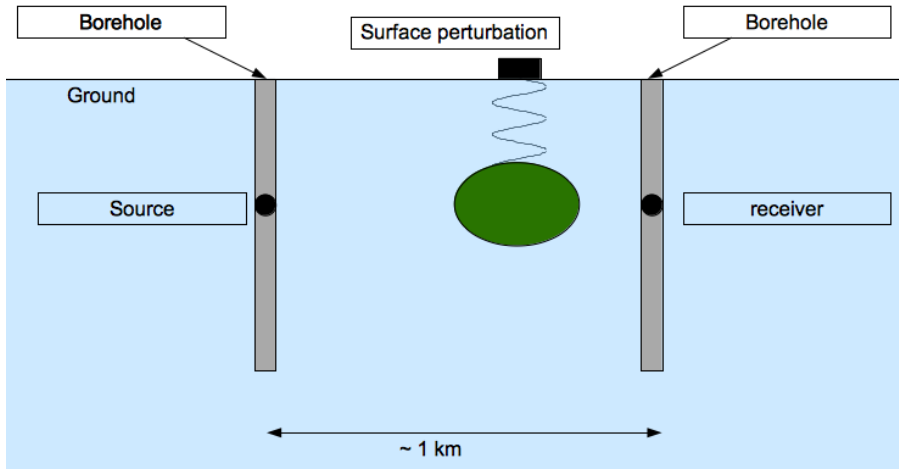
# Experimental comparison



# Elastography



# Field Scale Rough Idea



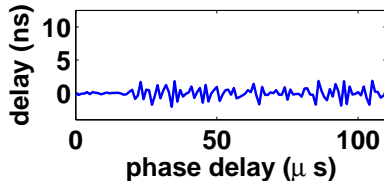
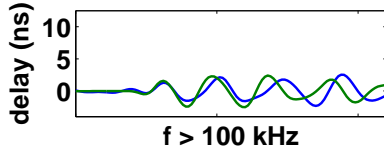
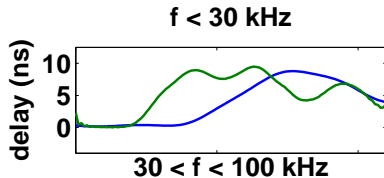
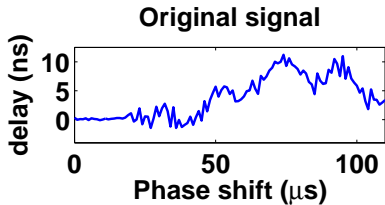
# Experimental Setup



Gallot, AM et al (in prep)

# Results

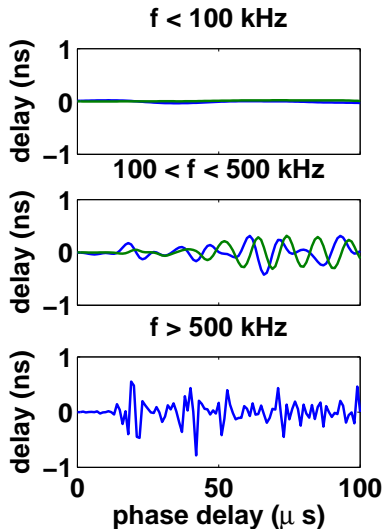
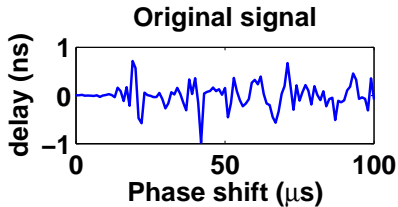
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# Results

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# Questions

- **How can we focus in an unknown, variable soundspeed material?**
- **Can we recover the nonlinear elasticity parameters?**
- **Can we efficiently model the nonlinear interactions?**

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# Full Waveform Inversion

$$\operatorname{argmin} \mathcal{J}(m) = \|Fm - d\|_2 + \text{regularization}$$

- $\mathcal{J}$  – objective function
- $F$  – wave operator
- $m$  – soundspeed model
- $d$  – recorded data

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# Topological Derivative Methods

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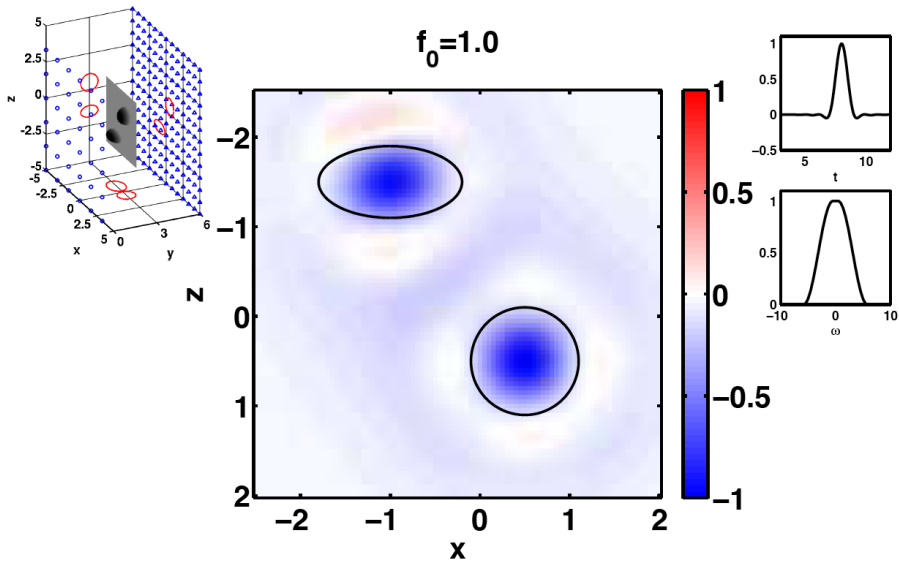
Find points  $x$  where

$$\frac{\partial \operatorname{argmin} \mathcal{J}(m(x))}{\partial s} < 0$$

$s$  –  $-\epsilon$  size spherical inclusion

e.g. Guzina & Bonnet (04,06)

# Example



# Questions

- **Can we do something similar with layers?**
- **Will this improve our final models?**
- **What about interpretation?**
  - ▶ **Statistical change detection?**
  - ▶ **Automate?**

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