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# Sound speed uncertainty in Acousto-Electric Tomography

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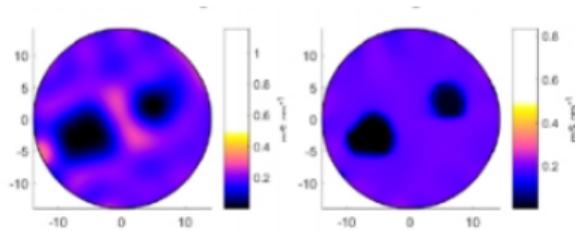
# Imaging of electric conductivity



Heinrich *et.al* (2006)



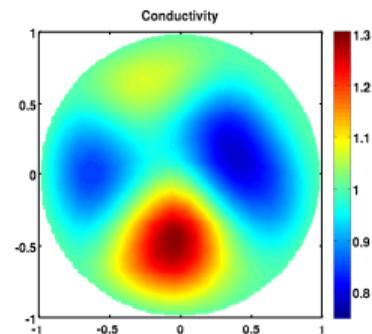
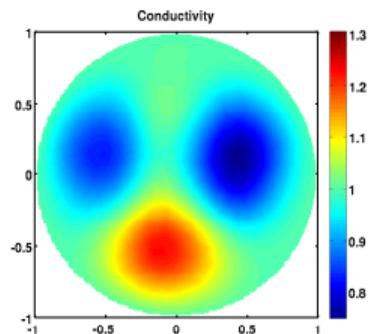
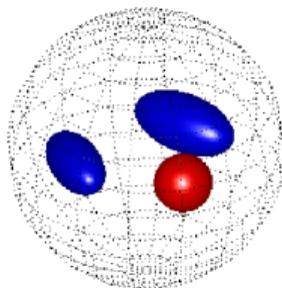
Dräger system



KIT4 system, Kuopio, UEF, Hauptman *et.al.* (2017)

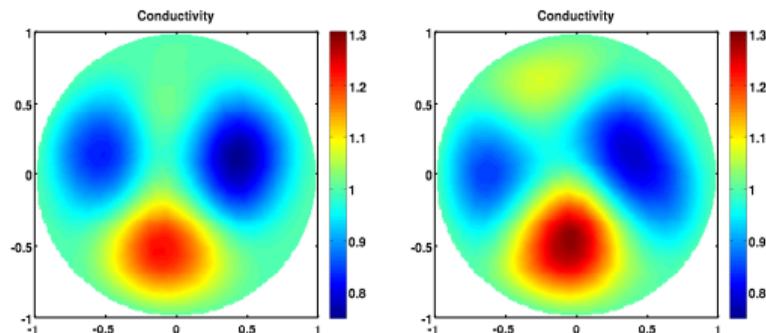
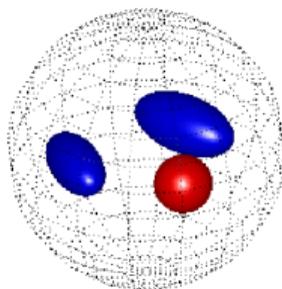
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Acousto-electric tomography (AET) excites EIT with ultrasonic waves and claims **high contrast - high resolution**

### Goal:

Confirm the feasibility of AET through a computational study

Quantify the uncertainty in reconstructions

## Outline

- 1 Mathematical models for Acousto-Electric Tomography
- 2 Reconstruction method
- 3 Uncertainty Quantification in AET

Joint work with Bjørn Jensen (Jyväskylä) and Adrian Kirkeby (Oslo)



# 1. Mathematical models for AET

## Electrical Impedance Tomography

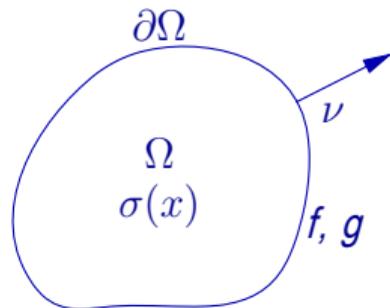
Smooth bounded domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  (soon  $n = 2$ ); conductivity coefficient  $\sigma$ .

A voltage potential  $u$  in  $\Omega$  generated by boundary voltage  $f$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \sigma \nabla u &= 0 \text{ in } \Omega, \\ u|_{\partial\Omega} &= f.\end{aligned}$$

Measure electric current through the boundary

$$g = \partial_\nu u|_{\partial\Omega}.$$

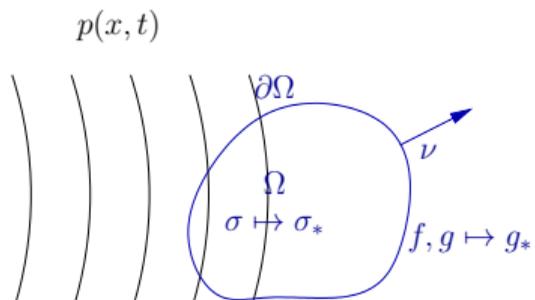


**Inverse problem:**

Reconstruct  $\sigma$  from measurements of all possible  $(f, g)$ .

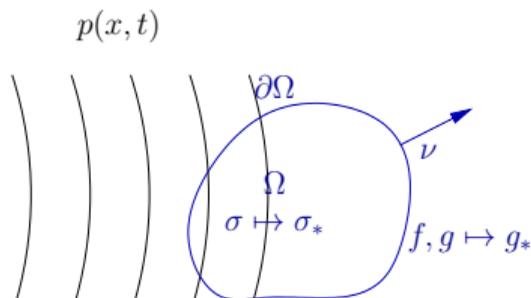
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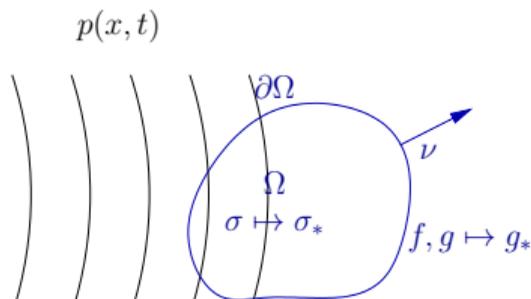
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Reconstruct  $\sigma$  from knowledge of wave  $p(x, t)$  and (few)  $(f, g, g_*)$

Chang and Wang (2004); Lavandier, Jossinet and Cathignol (2000); Ammari, Bonnetier, Capdeboscq, Tanter, and Fink (2008).

# AET sketch

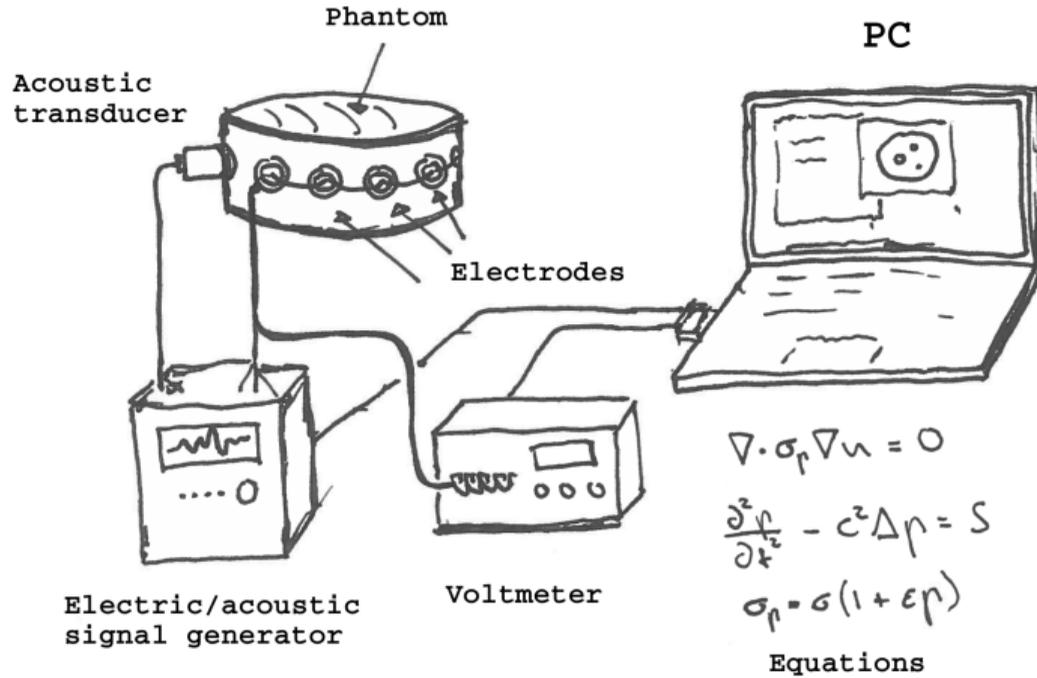
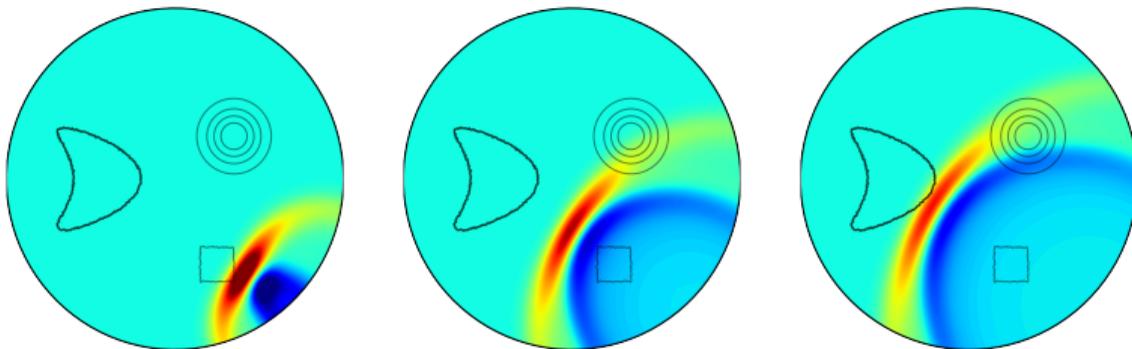
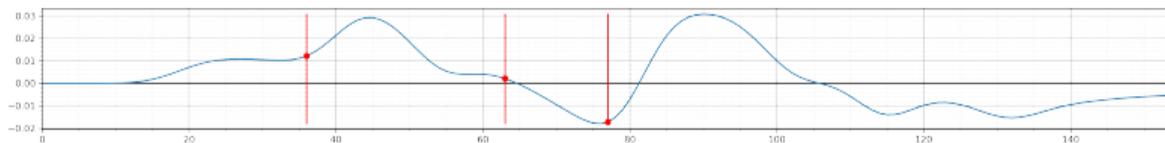


Image courtesy of Adrian Kirkeby

## 2. Reconstruction method

# Total power difference

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Integration by parts

$$I(t) = -\eta \int_{\Omega} \rho(x, t) \sigma(x) \nabla u(x) \cdot \nabla u_*(x) \, dx$$

and linearization ( $u_* \approx u$  in  $H^1(\Omega)$ ) yields

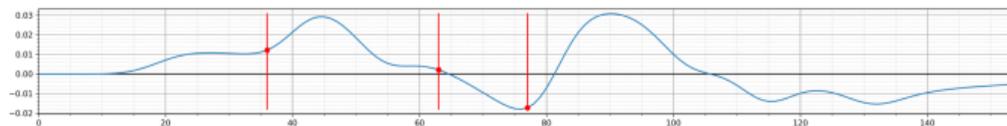
$$I(t) \approx -\eta \int_{\Omega} \rho(\cdot, t) \sigma |\nabla u|^2 \, dx = -\eta \int_{\Omega} \rho(\cdot, t) H \, dx.$$

with **interior power density**

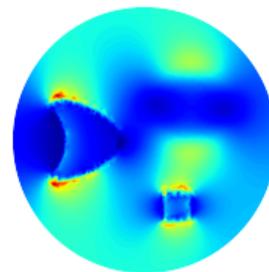
$$H(x) = \sigma(x) |\nabla u(x)|^2 \quad \text{in } \Omega.$$

To recover  $H$  from  $I$  we need enough waves  $\rho(x, t)$ .

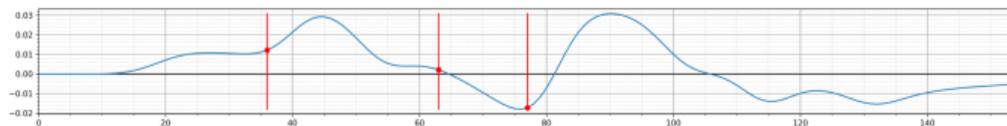
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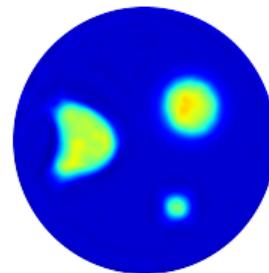
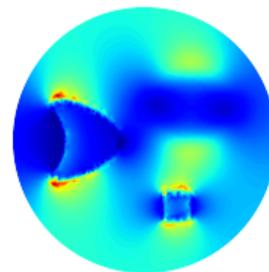


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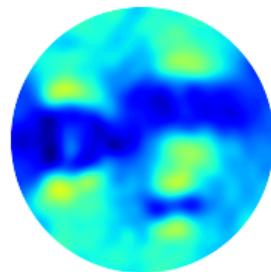
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Non-linear, moderately well-posed.

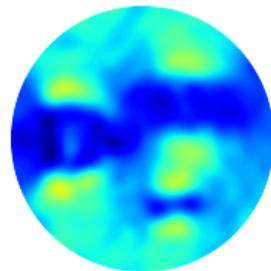


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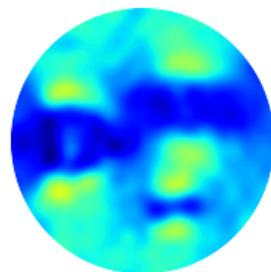
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Regularization by  $H^1(\Omega)$  norm

$$\mathcal{R}(H) = \alpha \|H_0 - H\|_{H^1(\Omega)}^2.$$

$H_0$  is the power density for the constant background conductivity  $\sigma_0$ .

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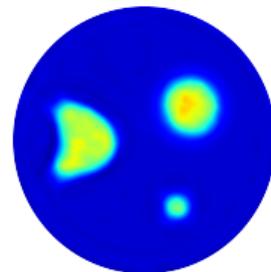
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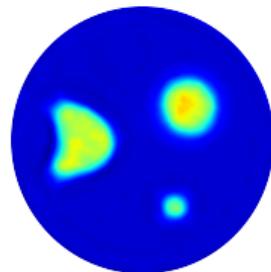
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**Theorem**

$\mathcal{J}_2(\sigma)$  has a minimizer in  $BV(\Omega)$ .

Capdeboscq et al. (2009); Bal et. al. (2012); Hoffmann and Knudsen (2014); Adesokan et al. (2018); Roy and Borzi (2018)

## Step 2: Successive linearization

**Linearization** around base conductivity  $\sigma$  :

Put  $d_\sigma = z - \mathcal{H}(\sigma)$ .

$$\mathcal{J}_2(\sigma + \kappa) \approx \mathcal{J}_\sigma(\kappa) = \|\mathcal{H}'(\sigma)\kappa - d_\sigma\|_{L^1} + \beta|\sigma + \kappa|_{\text{TV}}.$$

Iteratively minimize  $\mathcal{J}_\sigma$  for a step  $\kappa$  and update  $\sigma$  with this step.

### **Non-differentiability**

Replace  $|\cdot|_{\text{TV}}$  in  $\mathcal{J}_\sigma$  by the standard smoothing  $|\cdot|_\varepsilon = \sqrt{|\cdot|^2 + \varepsilon^2}$ .

## Step 2: Minimizing $J_\sigma$ via lagged diffusivity

### Derivative

$$J'_\sigma(\kappa)\xi = \int \frac{H'(\sigma)\kappa - d_\sigma}{|H'(\sigma)\kappa - d_\sigma|_\varepsilon} H'(\sigma)\xi \, dx + \beta \int \frac{\nabla(\sigma + \kappa)}{|\nabla(\sigma + \kappa)|_\varepsilon} \cdot \nabla\xi \, dx.$$

### Freeze the denominator at $\kappa'$

$$J'_{\sigma,\kappa'}(\kappa)\xi = \int \frac{H'(\sigma)\kappa - d_\sigma}{|H'(\sigma)\kappa' - d_\sigma|_\varepsilon} H'(\sigma)\xi \, dx + \beta \int \frac{\nabla(\sigma + \kappa)}{|\nabla(\sigma + \kappa')|_\varepsilon} \cdot \nabla\xi \, dx$$

### Equivalent to weighted quadratic functional

$$J_{\sigma,\kappa'}(\kappa) = \|H'(\sigma)\kappa - d_\sigma\|_{L_w^2}^2 + \beta \|\nabla(\sigma + \kappa)\|_{L_{w_0}^2}^2.$$

We minimize  $J_\sigma$  by iteratively minimizing  $J_{\sigma,\kappa'}$  while updating  $\kappa'$ ,  $w$ ,  $w_0$ .

Vogel and Oman (1996)

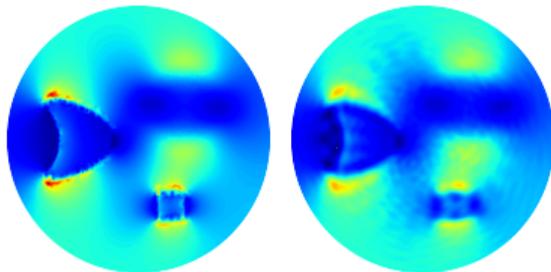
## Feasibility of AET

Medical imaging scenario

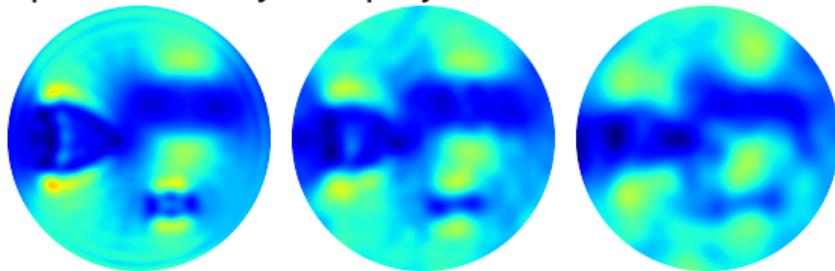
Parameter	Symbol	Values(s)	Unit
Conductivity	$\sigma$	0.1 – 1.5	S/m
Boundary current amplitude	$f_{max}$	$1 \times 10^{-3}$	A
Acousto-electric coupling constant	$\eta$	$\{10^{-7}, 10^{-9}, 10^{-11}\}$	$\text{Pa}^{-1}$
Max. acoustic pressure	$p_{max}$	$1.5 \times 10^6$	Pa
Acoustic wave speed	$c_0$	1500	m/s
Domain radius	$R$	0.1	m
Boundary conditions	$f_j$	$x, y, x + y$	
Noise level	$\delta$	$\{0, 10^{-2}, 10^{-1}\} \%$	

Software: k-Wave and FEniCS

## Reconstructions: Power densities (step 1)

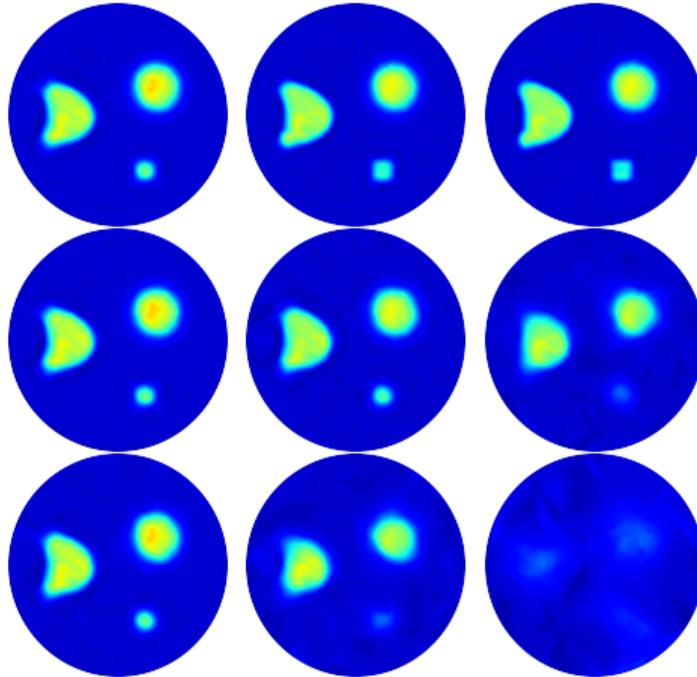


True power density and projection onto basis functions



Reconstructed power density with increasing noise level.

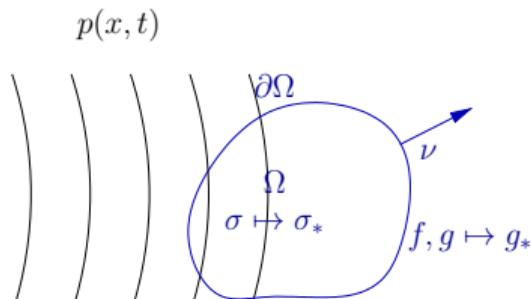
## Reconstructions: conductivity (step 2)



Coupling  $\eta = 10^{-7}, 10^{-8}, 10^{-9}$  (left to right); noise  $\delta = 0, 0.1, 0.01\%$  (top to bottom)

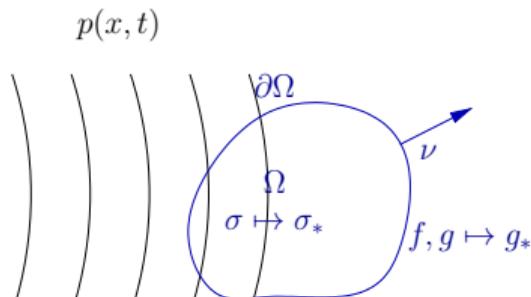
### 3. Uncertainty Quantification for AET

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- Linearization error
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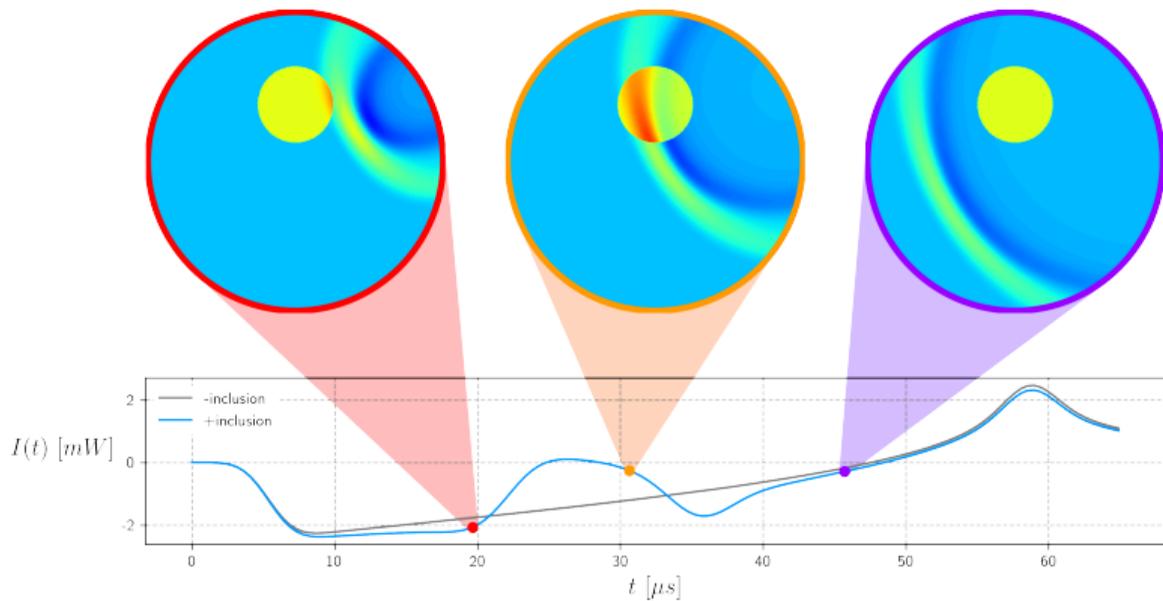
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- **Wave model - sound speed and sound source**

# Uncertain wave speed

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# Scalar wave equation

Ground truth

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Model

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Errors  $\tilde{c} - c$ ,  $\tilde{p} - p$  and  $\tilde{K} - K$ .

## Errors as perturbations

Wave difference

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**Propositions** ( $m > (n + 1)/2$ )

Wave

$$\|\tilde{p} - p\|_{L^\infty(0, T; H^{m+1}(B))} \leq C \|\tilde{c} - c\|_{H^m(B)}$$

Operator

$$\|\tilde{K} - K\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^2(\Omega), L^2(0, T))} \leq C' \|\tilde{c} - c\|_{H^m(B)}$$

# Reconstruction

Optimization problem

$$\operatorname{argmin}_h \frac{1}{2} \|\tilde{K}h - l\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \|h\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2$$

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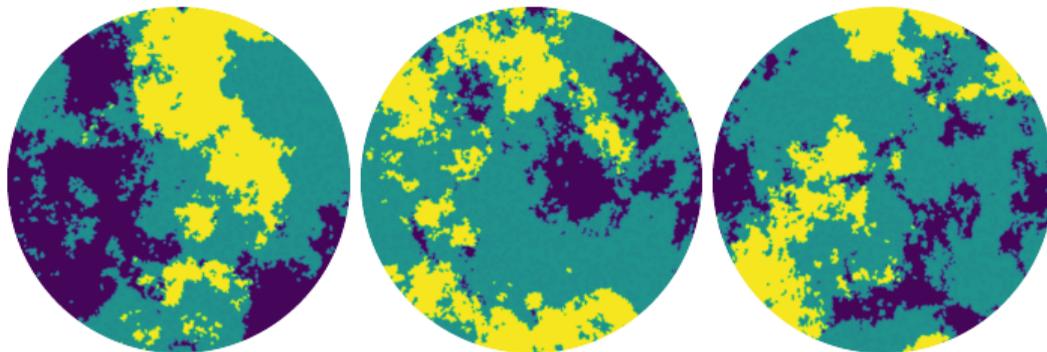
## Regularization strategy

For  $\beta \propto \|\tilde{c} - c\|_{H^m(B)}$

$$\|H - R_\beta I\|_{L^2(\Omega)} \leq C \|\tilde{c} - c\|_{H^m(B)}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

## Sampling sound speed structure

Treat uncertain sound speed and solution as random variables.  
Samples  $s$

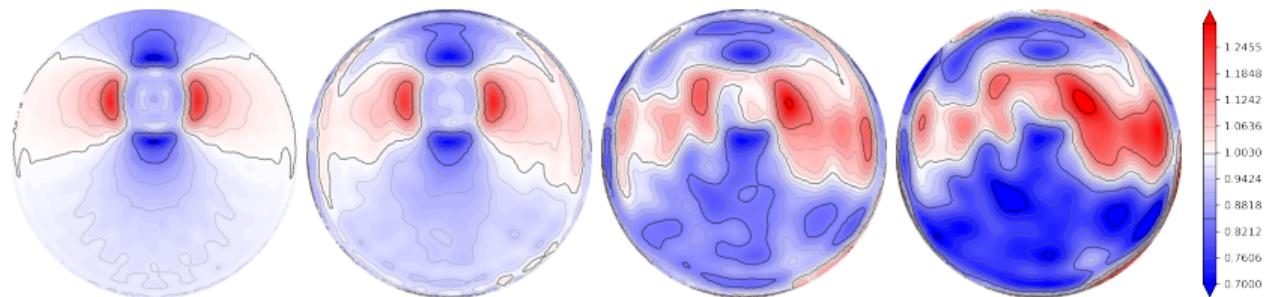


Take constant sound speed  $\tilde{c} = c_0$  and

$$c(x) = c_0(1 + \mu s(x))$$

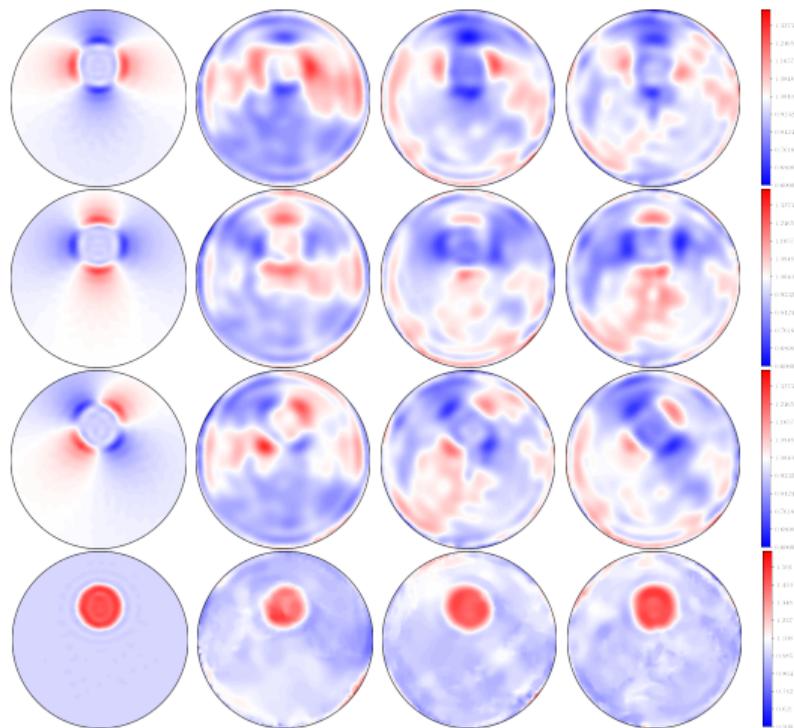
Reiser, Edwards, and Nishikawa (2013)

## Error due to uncertain sound speed



Reconstructions of  $H$  for (left-to-right)  $\mu = 0.00, 0.01, 0.05$  and  $0.10$ .

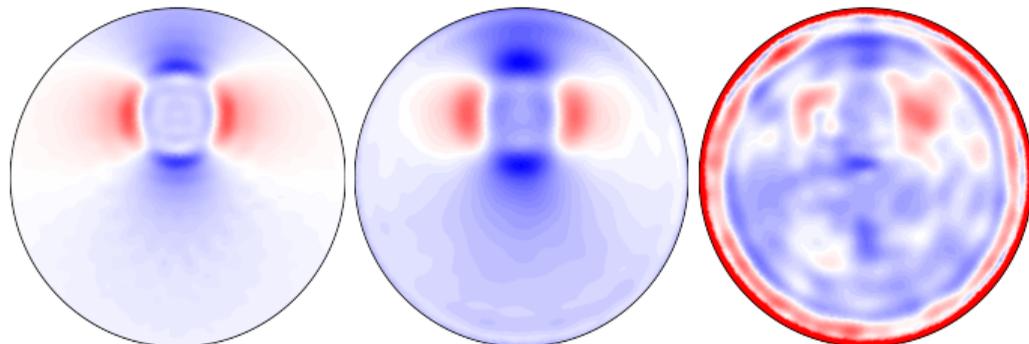
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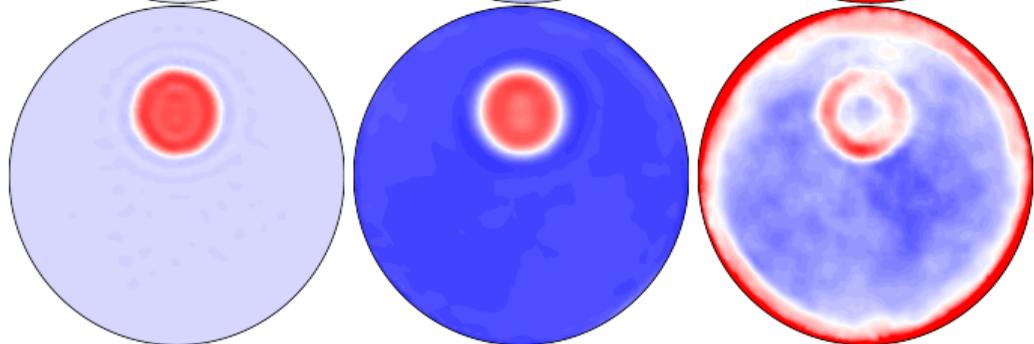
$H$  and  $\sigma$  for 3 different BC and  $\mu = 0.00, 0.01, 0.05$  and  $0.10$ .

# Computational Uncertainty Quantification

Power density



Conductivity



Ground truth

Mean

Standard deviation

## Take home message

- Acousto-electric tomography: model problem
- Uncertainty handled as operator perturbations
- Quantification via reconstruction method

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