

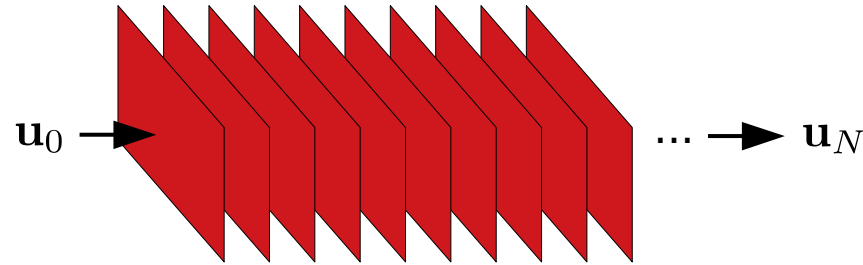
Learned iterative solvers for the Helmholtz equation

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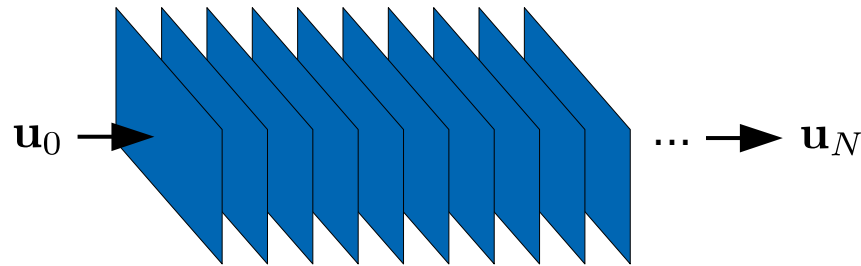


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[Haber and Ruthotto, 2017]

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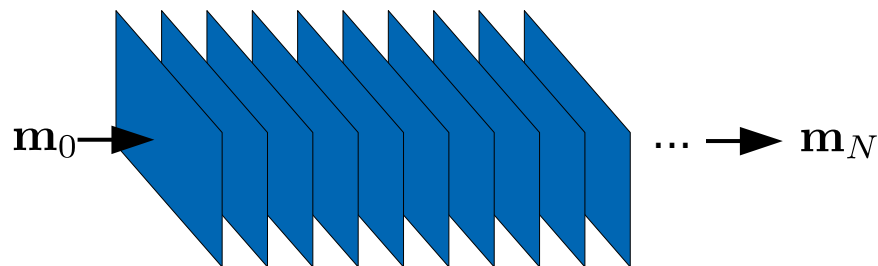
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- **time stepping** in finite-differences [Siahkoohi et al., 2018]

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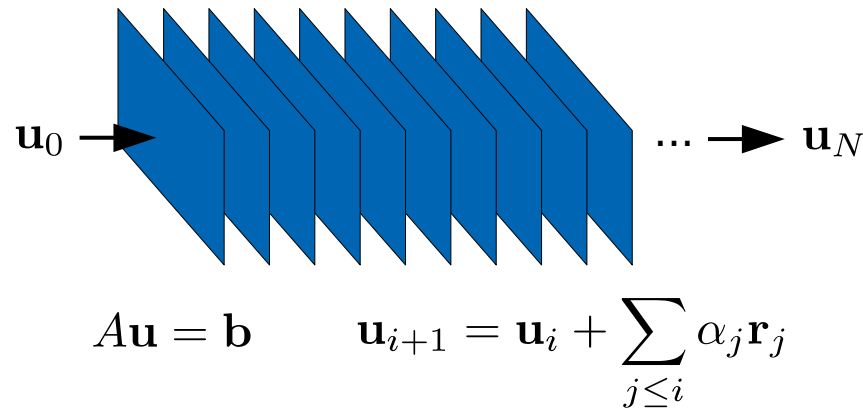
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- nonlinear optimization in **inverse problems** [Adler and Öktem, 2017]

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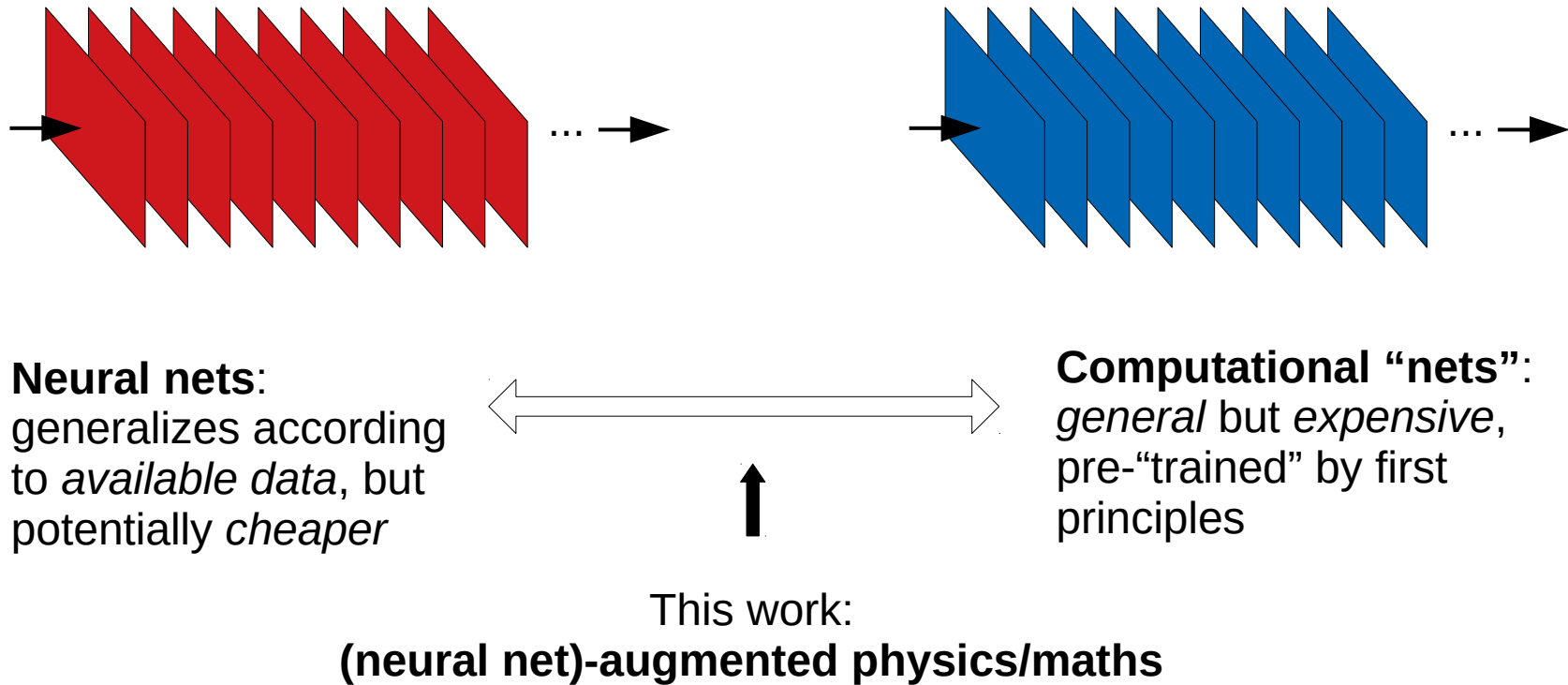
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- **iterative solvers** for linear systems (this talk: **Helmholtz** equation)

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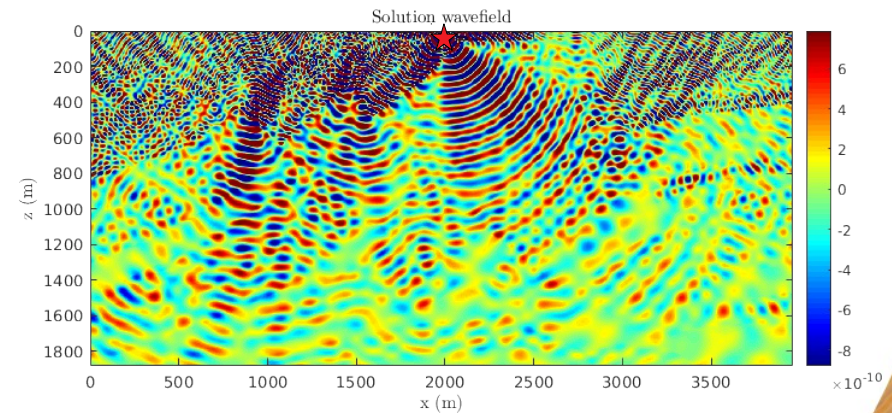
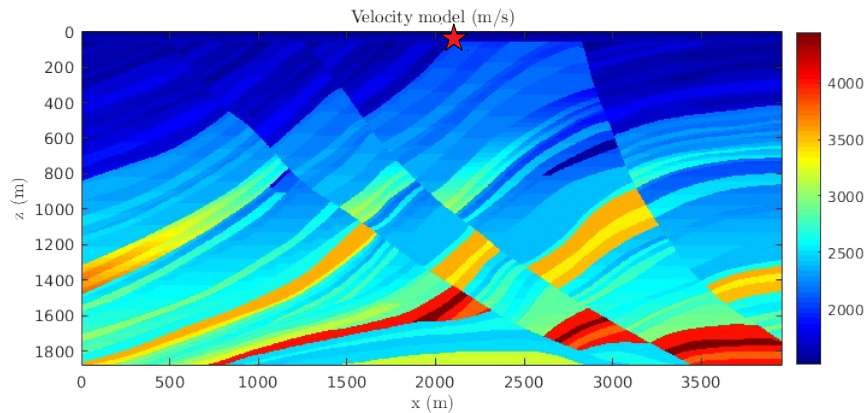


Helmholtz equation

Long-standing problem in frequency-domain **wave equation based imaging**:

- numerical solution of the **Helmholtz** equation (e.g., discretized by finite-differences):

$$H[\mathbf{m}] = -\omega^2 \mathbf{m} - \Delta, \quad H[\mathbf{m}] \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$$



Helmholtz equation: classical solution methods

Classical solution methods:

- **direct methods: LU factorization** (e.g., via nested dissection [George, 1973])

Big-O complexity [Mulder and Plessix, 2002]:

Complexity	2D	3D
# grid points	n^2	n^3
factorization	$n_f n^3$	$n_f n^6$
application	$n_s n_f n^2 \log n$	$n_s n_f n^4 \log n$

Helmholtz equation: classical solution methods

Classical solution methods:

- **iterative methods: Krylov-subspace** schemes for **indefinite** systems (e.g., GMRES, BiCGStab, ... [Saad, 2003]):

$$\mathbf{u}_{i+1} = \mathbf{u}_i + \sum_{j \leq i} \alpha_j \mathbf{r}_j, \quad \mathbf{r}_j = \mathbf{f} - H[\mathbf{m}] \mathbf{u}_j$$

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E.g., **shifted-Laplacian** preconditioning by **multigrid** [Erlangga et al., 2006]:

$$H_\beta[\mathbf{m}] \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}, \quad H_\beta[\mathbf{m}] = -\omega^2(1 - \beta i)\mathbf{m} - \Delta$$

...competitive with time-domain based imaging? # iter grow linearly with frequency [Knibbe et al., 2014]

Helmholtz equation: potential role of machine learning?

Assumptions:

- ultimate goal: solve the inverse problem; **we don't need/want overly "accurate" solutions** (even better, *solve forward and inverse map jointly?*)
- **specialized right-hand sides** (e.g., point sources)
- **prior information** about **model parameter distribution** is often available

Role of machine learning:

- **specialize** classical methods to a restricted class of problems = **accelerate** classical methods for the problem at hand

PDE solution by machine learning: general overview

Ever growing body of work, so far focused on learning solutions which generalize over:

- boundary conditions and domain geometry
- right-hand side
- initial conditions; etc...

Poisson equation	[Tang et al., 2017], [Tompson et al., 2017], [Farimani et al. 2017], [Zhang et al., 2018], [Hsieh et al., 2019]
Laplace equation	[Sharma et al., 2017]
Schrodinger equation	[Mills et al., 2017]
Fluid dynamics	[Guo et al., 2016], [Yang et al., 2016], [Chu and Thuerey, 2017], [Kutz, 2017], [Singh et al., 2017]
Black-Scholes	[Sirignano and Spiliopoulos, 2018]

Helmholtz equation: Krylov net training setup

Goal:

- approximate the Helmholtz **solution map** with a net-based approximation (for a **fixed source and frequency**)

$$F : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}, F(\mathbf{m}) = (H[\mathbf{m}])^{-1} \mathbf{f} \iff F_\theta : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}, F_\theta(\mathbf{m}) \approx (H[\mathbf{m}])^{-1} \mathbf{f}$$

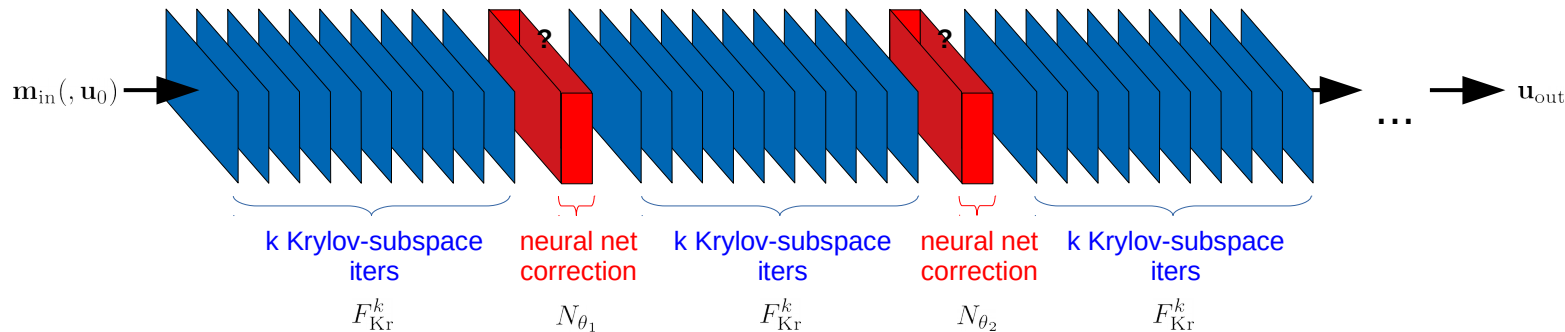
Candidate loss functions:

$$F_{\theta^*} = F_{\arg \min_{\theta} L(\theta)},$$

- **supervised**, given solution (this talk): $L(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{m} \sim p_M} \|F(\mathbf{m}) - F_\theta(\mathbf{m})\|_2^2$
- **unsupervised**: $L(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{m} \sim p_M} \|\mathbf{f} - H[\mathbf{m}] F_\theta(\mathbf{m})\|_2^2$
- Training with stochastic gradient descent algorithms (ADAM, [Kingma and Ba, 2015])

Helmholtz equation: Krylov net structure

Main idea: **intersperse** Krylov-subspace “nets” and neural nets...



$$F_{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_N)} : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}, \quad F_{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_N)}(\mathbf{m}) = \begin{cases} F_{Kr}^k(\mathbf{m}, N_{\theta_N} \circ F_{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{N-1})}(\mathbf{m})), & N \geq 1 \\ F_{Kr}^k(\mathbf{m}, \boxed{\mathbf{u}_0}), & N = 0 \end{cases}$$

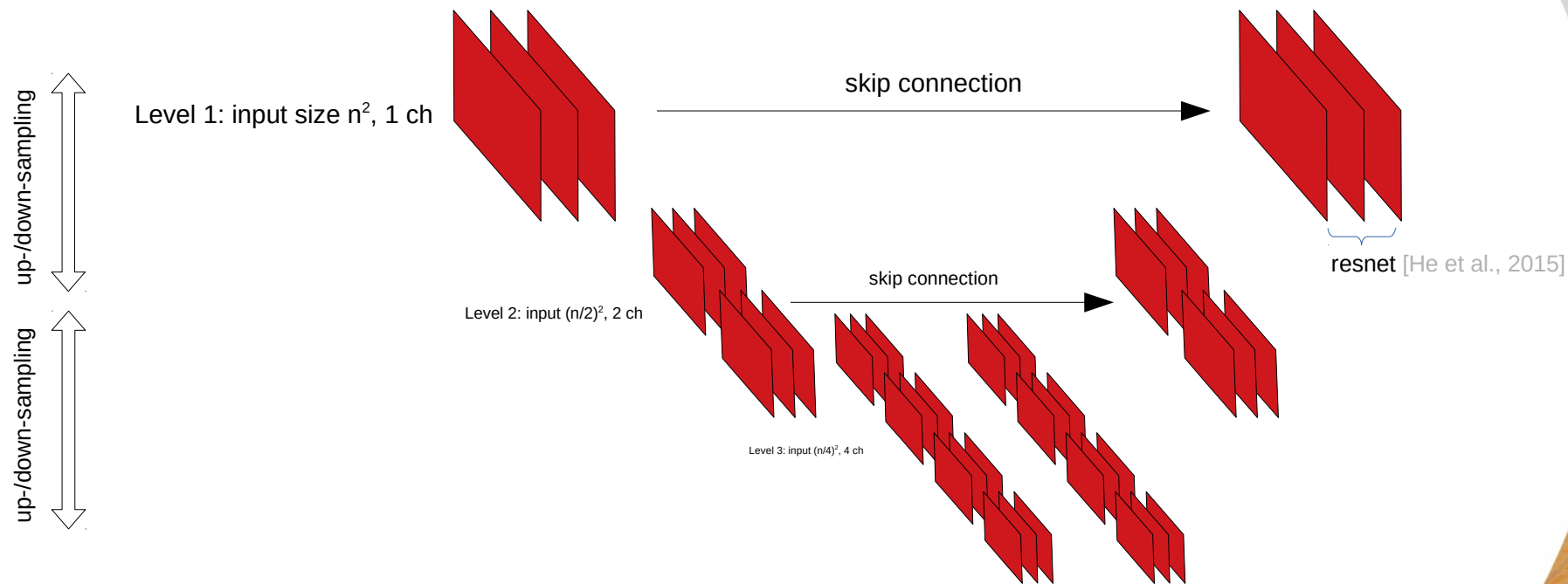
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$$F_{Kr}^k : \mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}, \quad F_{Kr}^k(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{u} + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \alpha_j H[\mathbf{m}]^j \mathbf{r}, \text{ for some } \alpha_j \quad (\in \mathbf{u} + \text{Kr}(H[\mathbf{m}], \mathbf{r}))$$

$$N_{\theta_i} : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$$

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2-D net correction architecture (“Unet”) ~ multigrid
(e.g. [Ke et al., 2017], [He and Xu, 2019]):



Complexity $\sim O(n^2 \log n)$

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2-D net correction architecture, **two-grid sketch**:

Pre-smoothing (fine grid): $\mathbf{x}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{x}^h + a(W_k^h * \mathbf{x}^h + b_k^h), \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, N$

\nwarrow activation function (e.g., ReLU) resnet

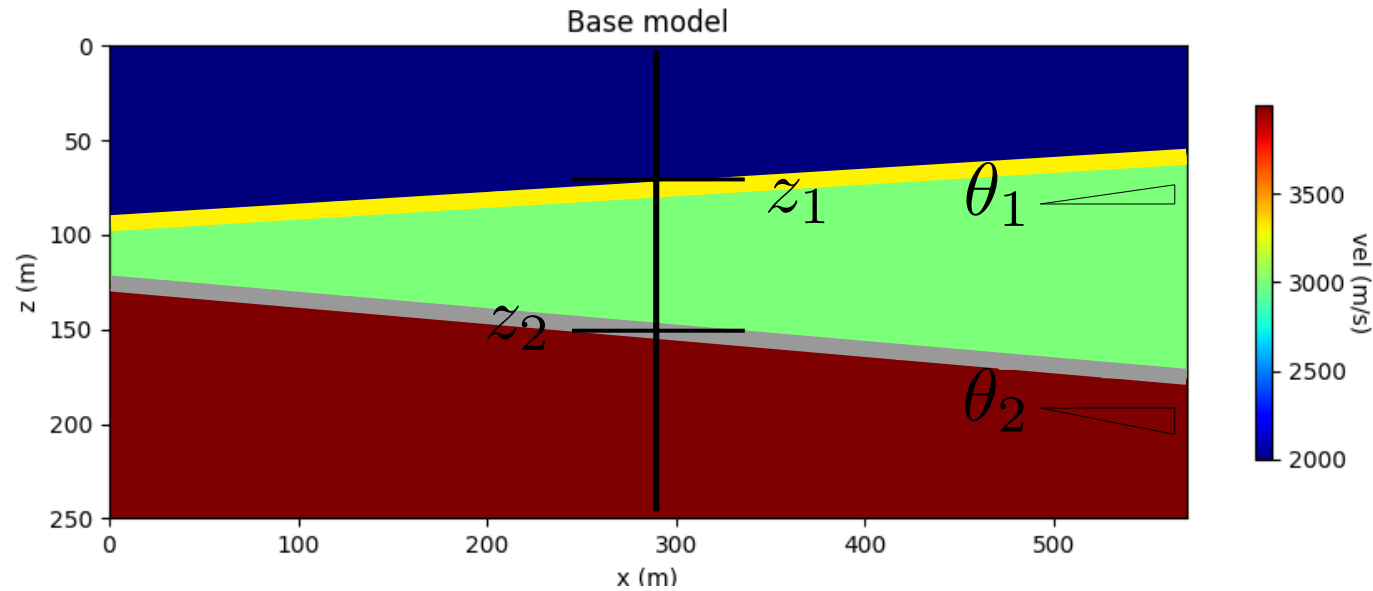
Restriction (many channels!): $\mathbf{x}_{\text{ch}_i}^{2h} \leftarrow R_h^{2h}(W_{\text{ch}_i}^h * \mathbf{x}^h + b_{\text{ch}_i}^h), \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N_{\text{ch}}$

Smoothing (coarse grid): $\mathbf{x}_{\text{ch}_i}^{2h} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_{\text{ch}_i}^{2h} + a\left(\sum_j W_{k,\text{ch}_i,\text{ch}_j}^{2h} * \mathbf{x}_{\text{ch}_j}^{2h} + b_{k,\text{ch}_i}^{2h}\right), \quad \text{for } i, k, \dots$

Prolongation: $\mathbf{x}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{x}^h + P_{2h}^h \sum_i (W_{\text{ch}_i}^{2h} * \mathbf{x}_{\text{ch}_i}^{2h} + b_{\text{ch}_i}^{2h})$

Post-smoothing (fine grid): $\mathbf{x}^h \leftarrow \mathbf{x}^h + a(W_l^h * \mathbf{x}^h + b_l^h), \quad \text{for } l = 1, \dots, N$

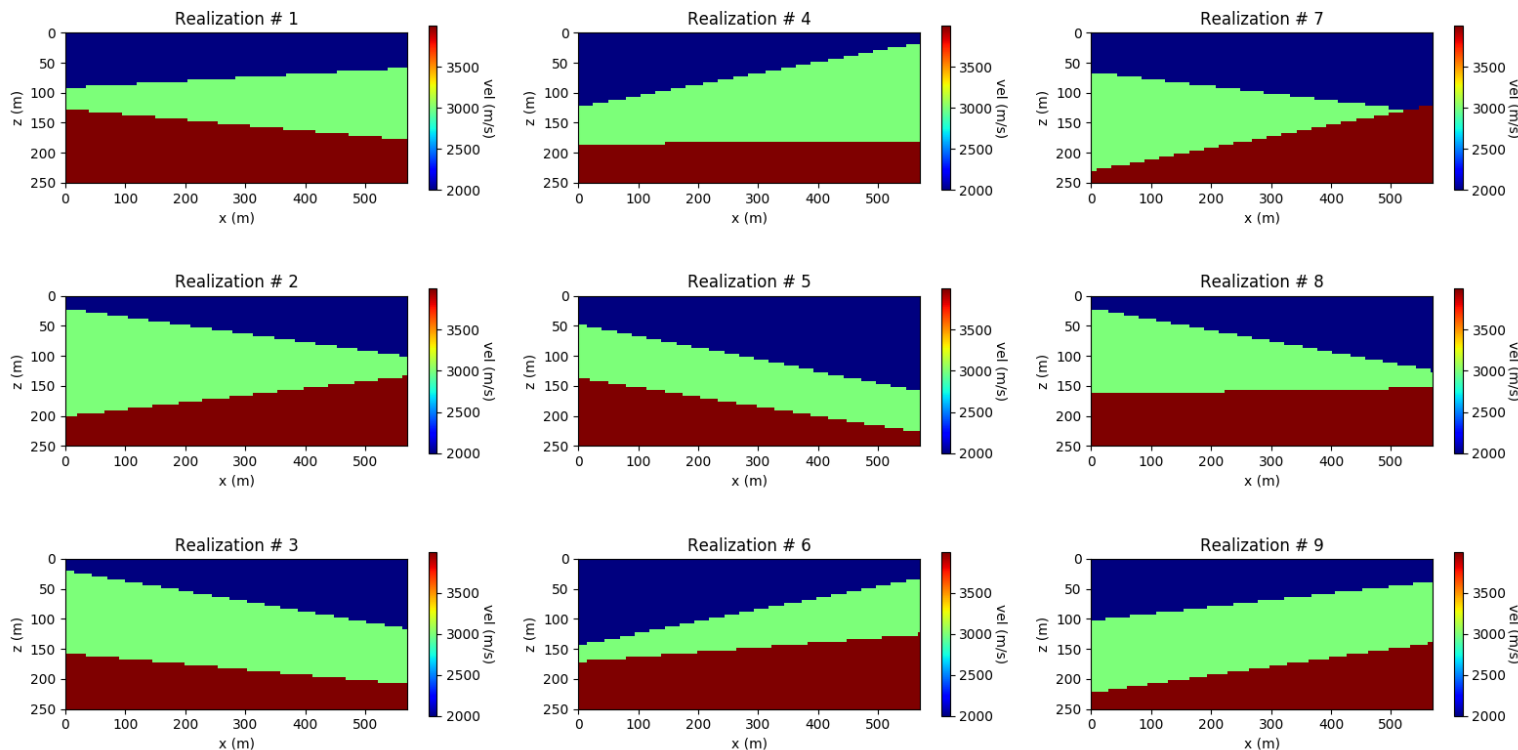
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$$z \sim z^0 + U(-a, a) \quad \theta \sim U(-b, b)$$

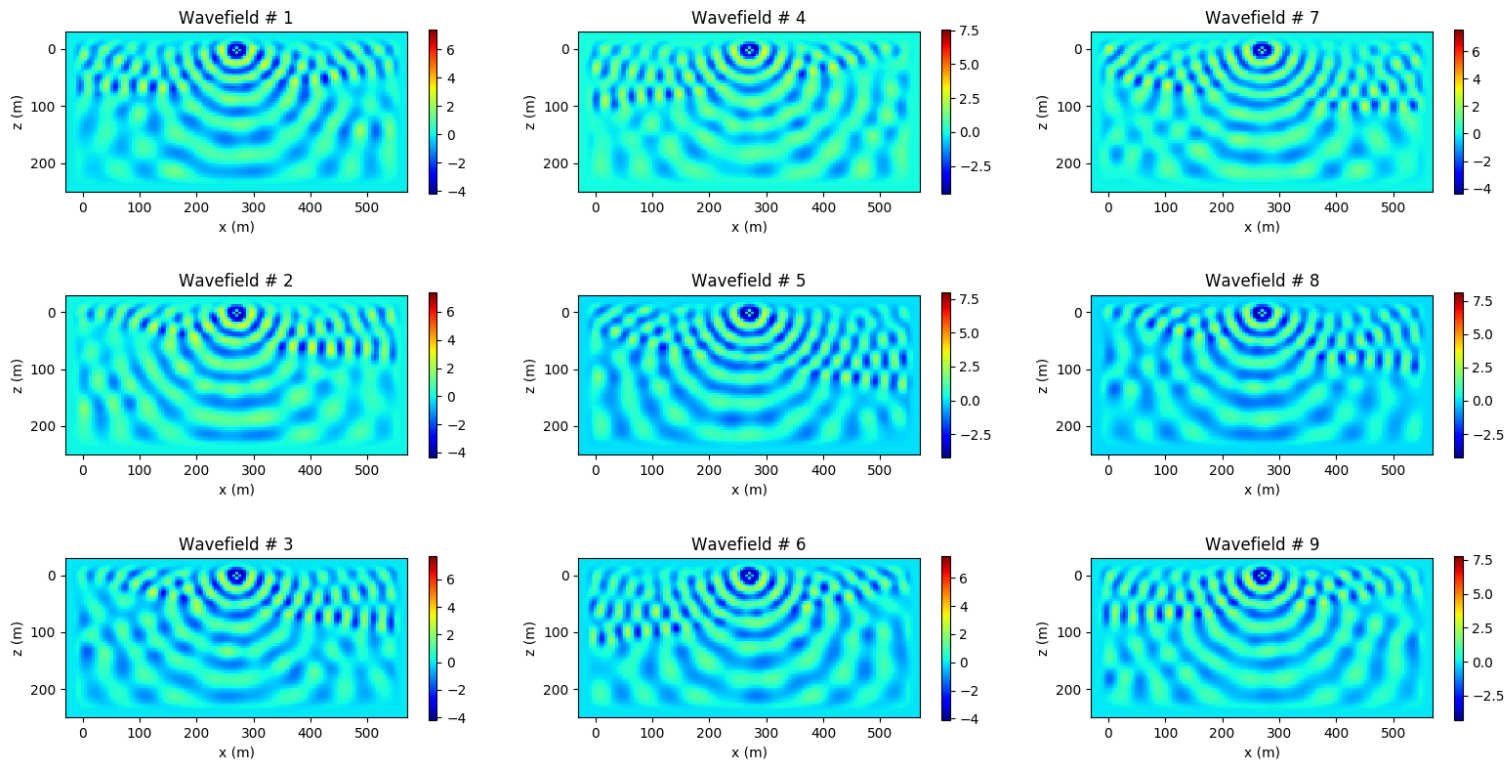
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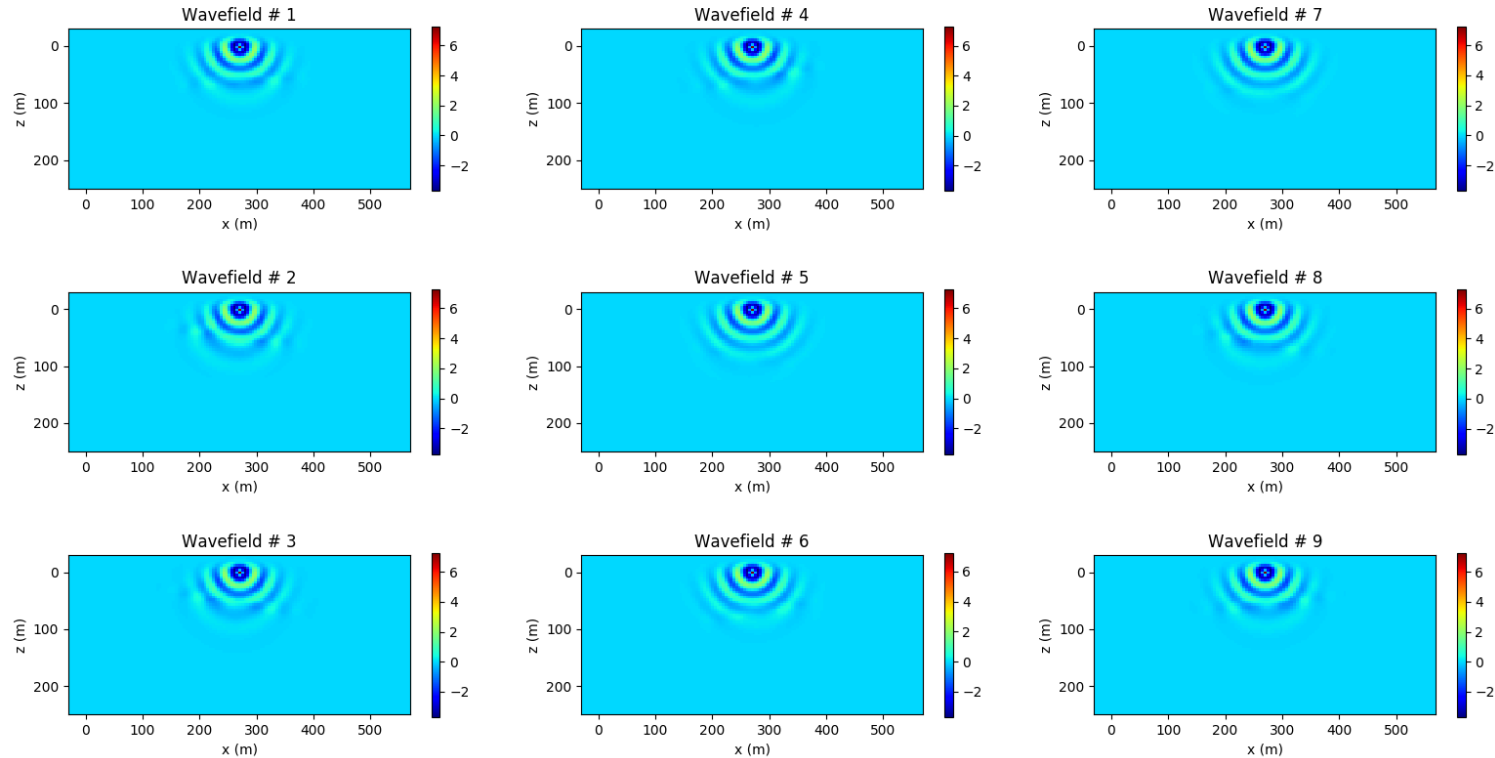
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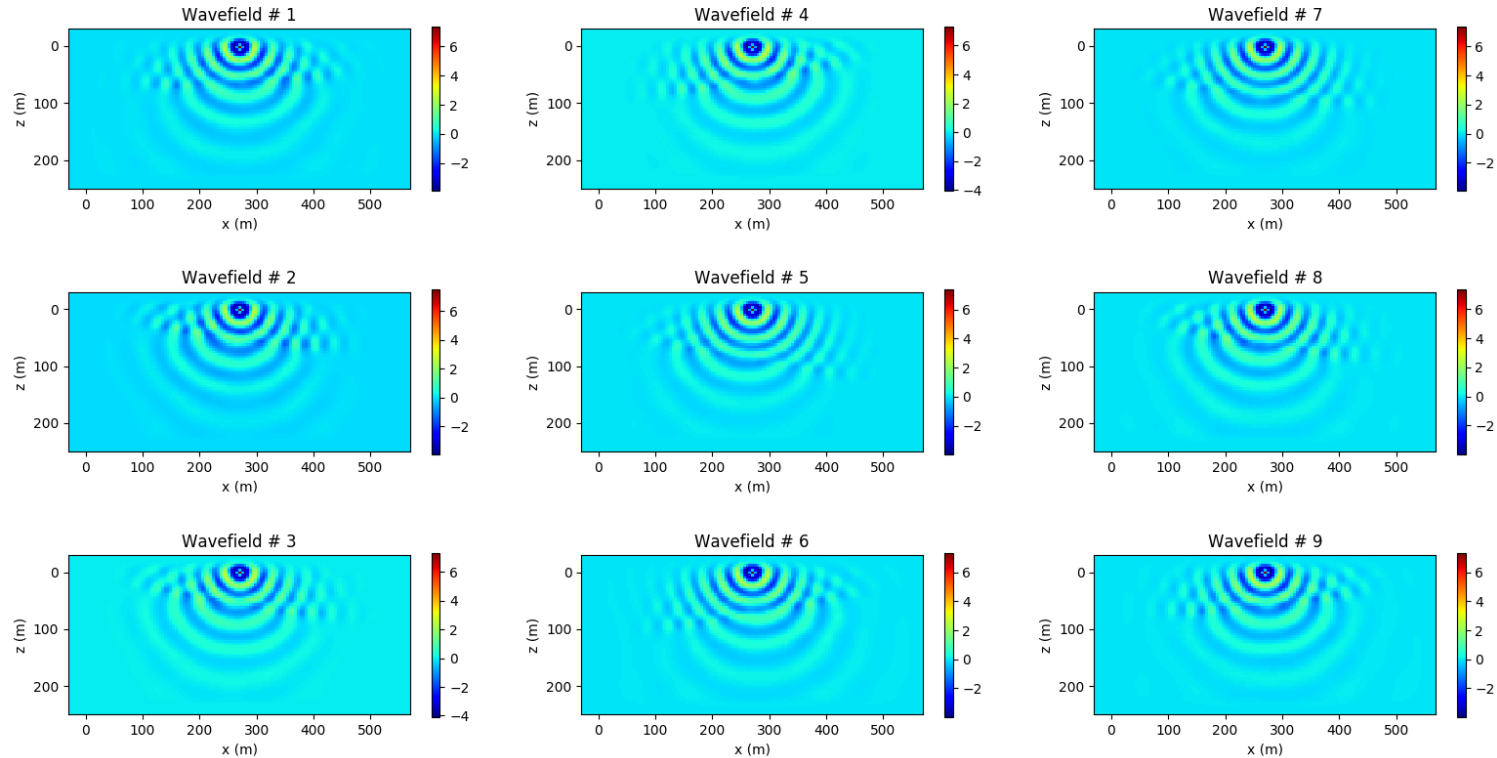
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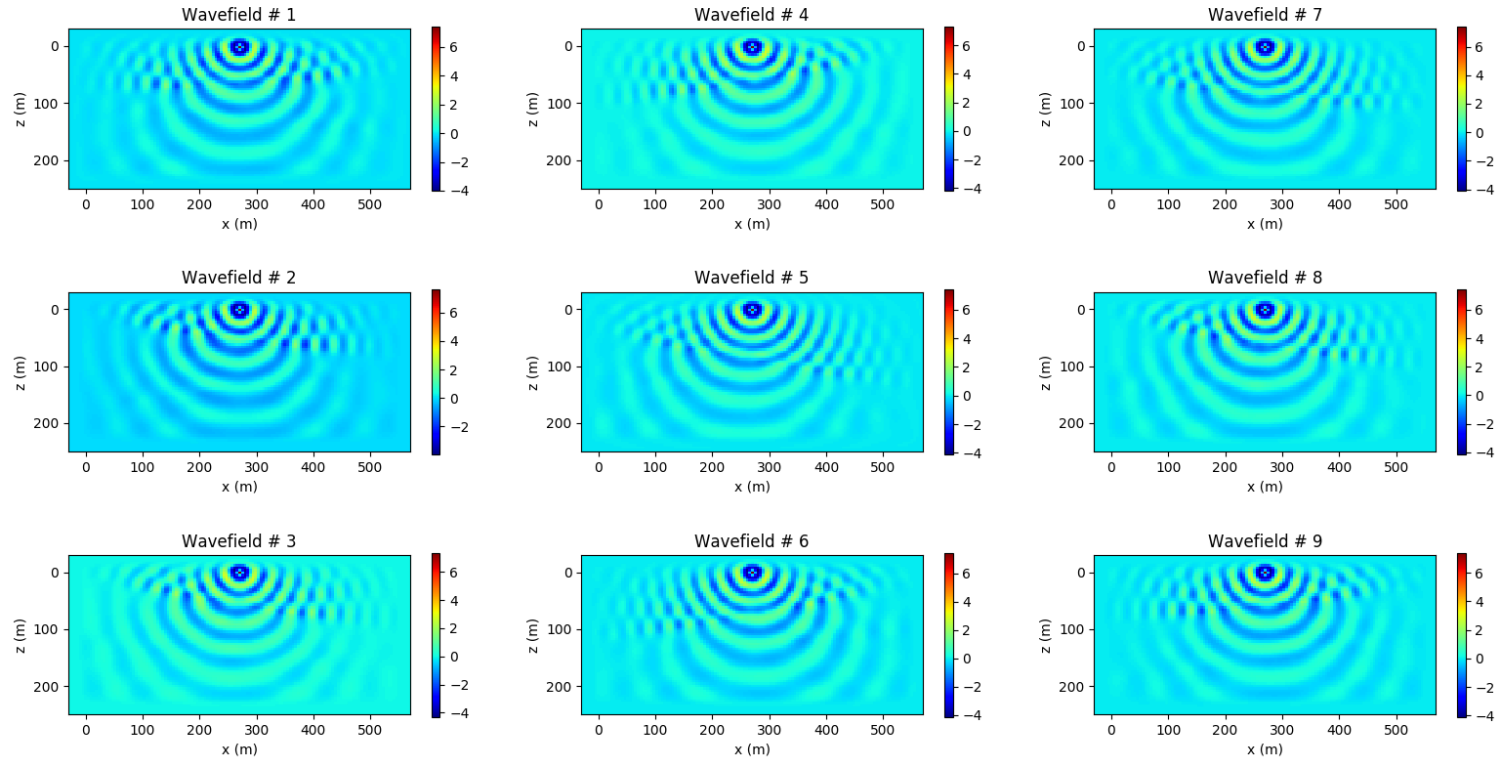
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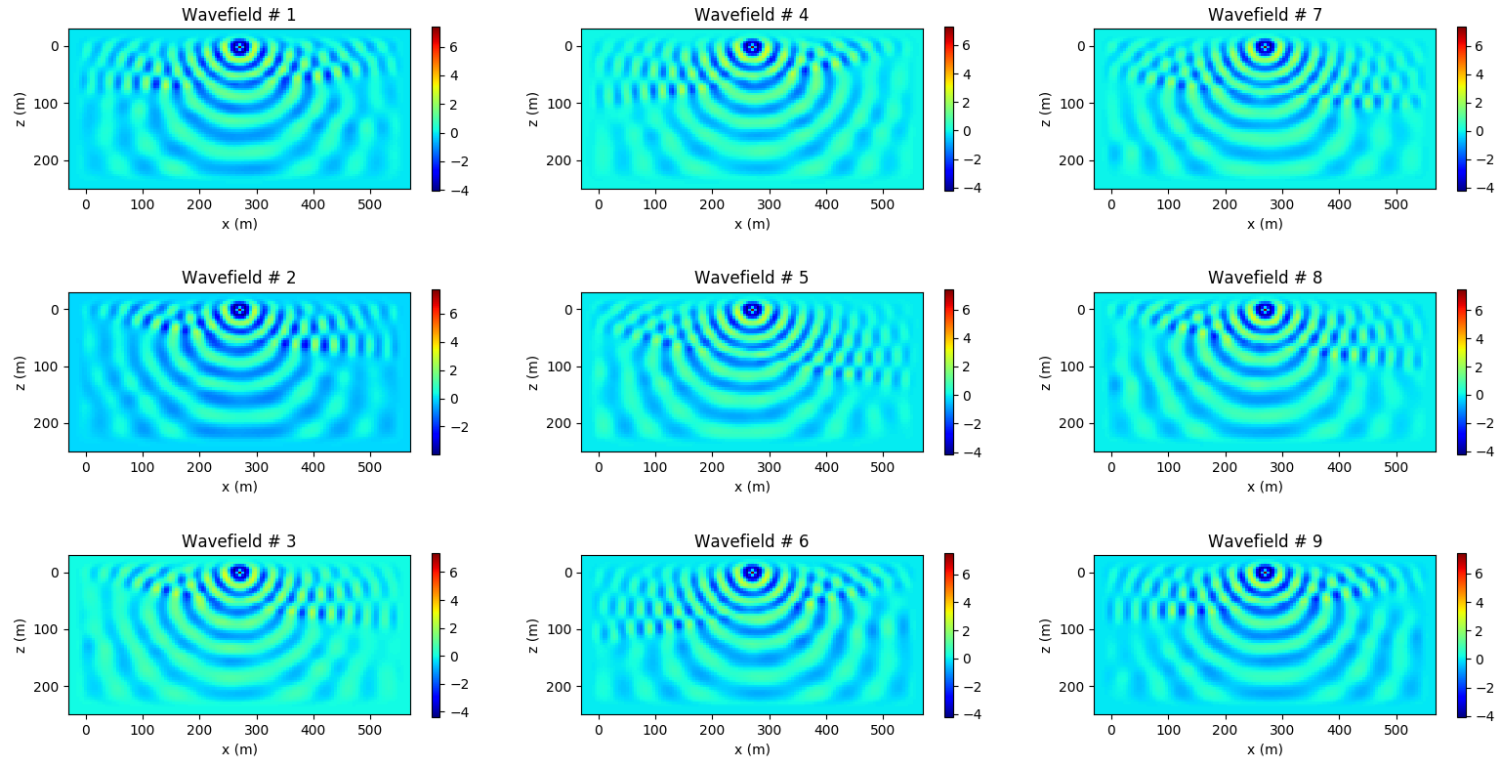
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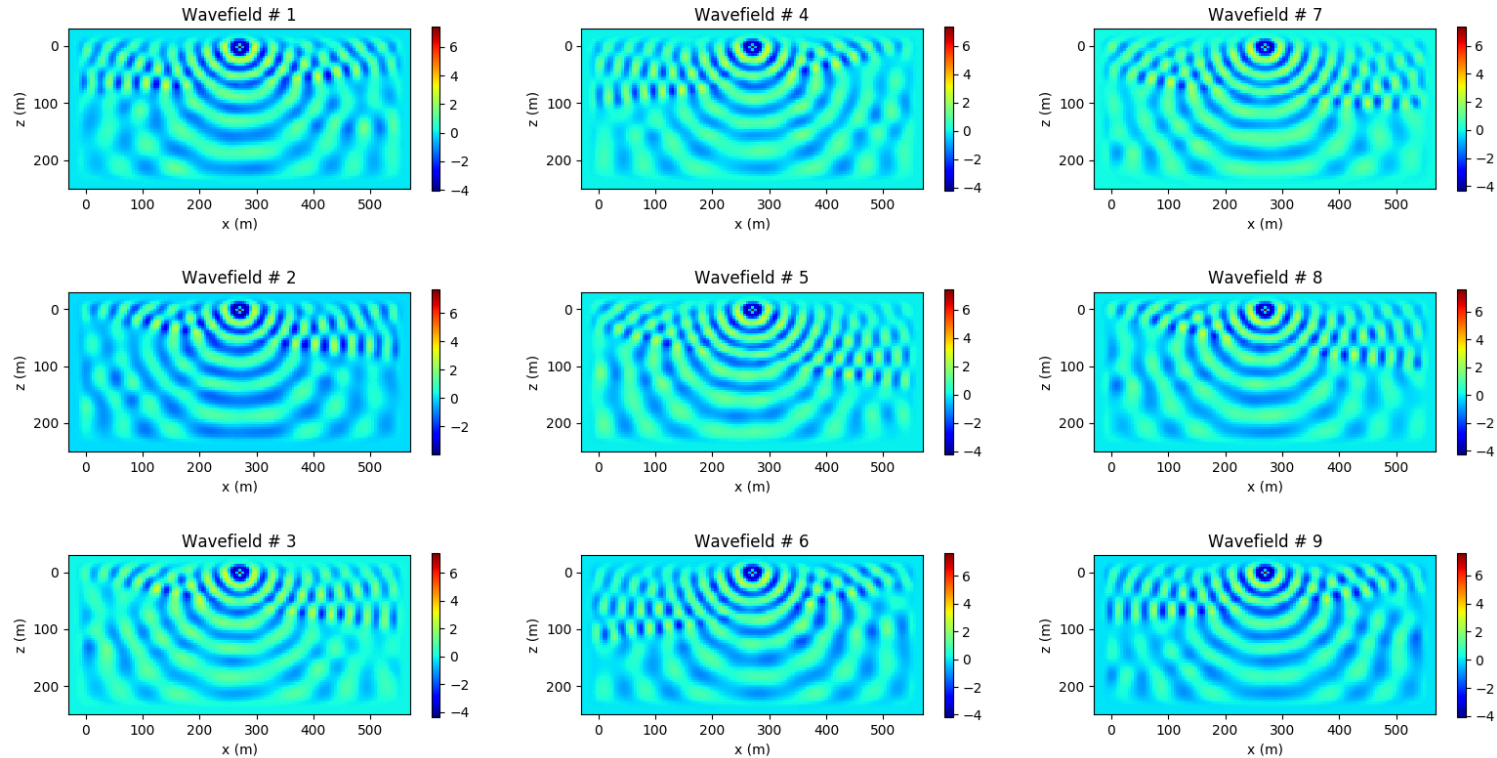
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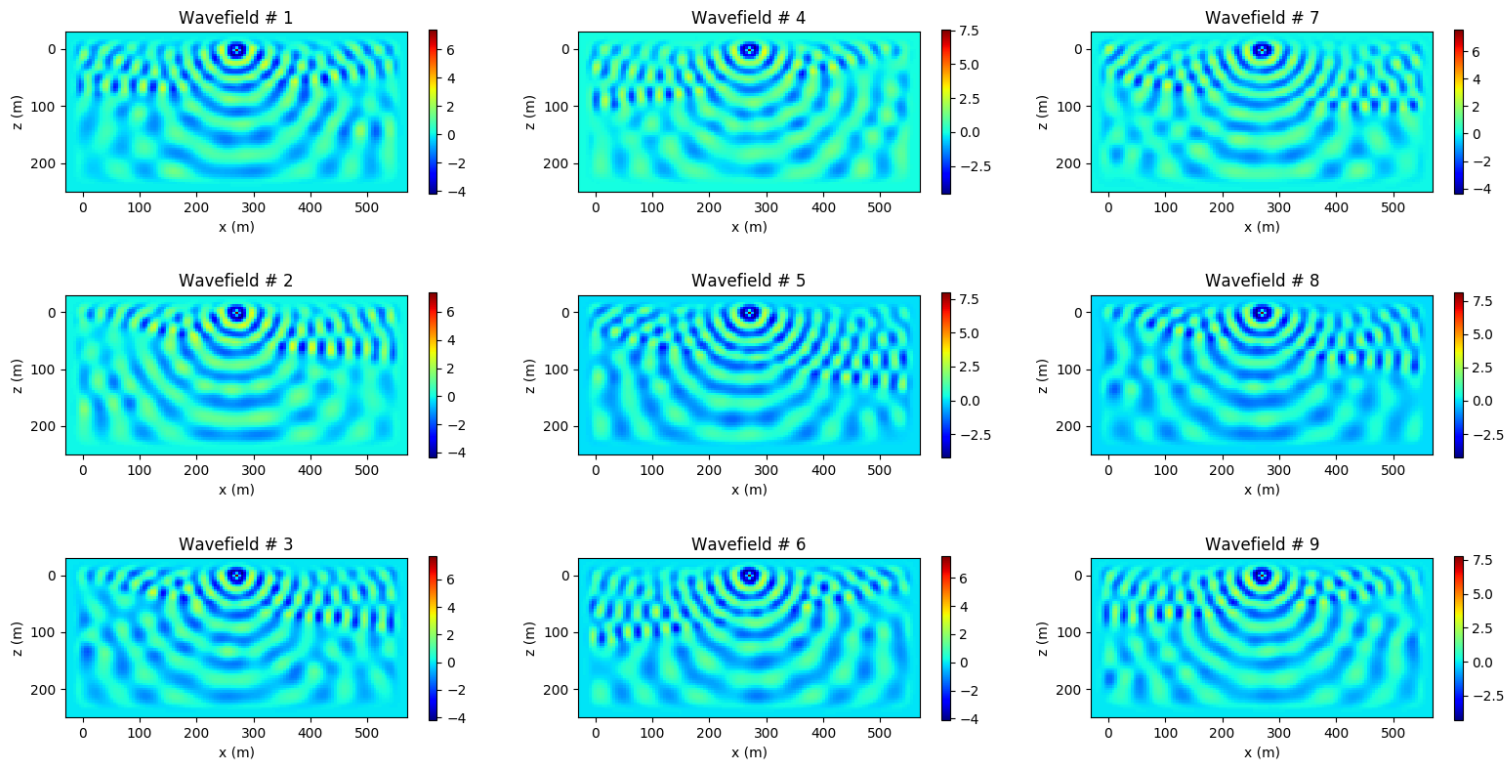
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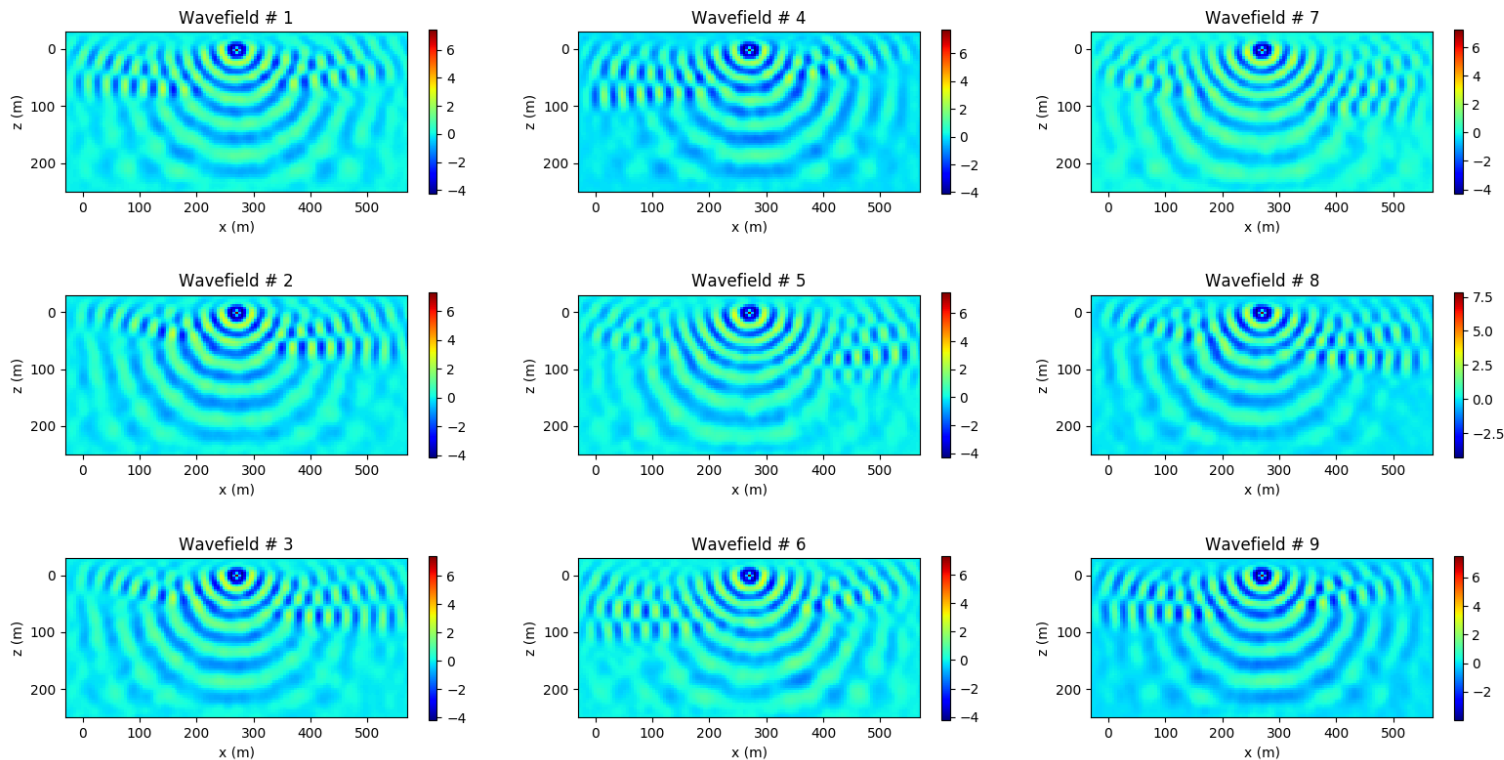
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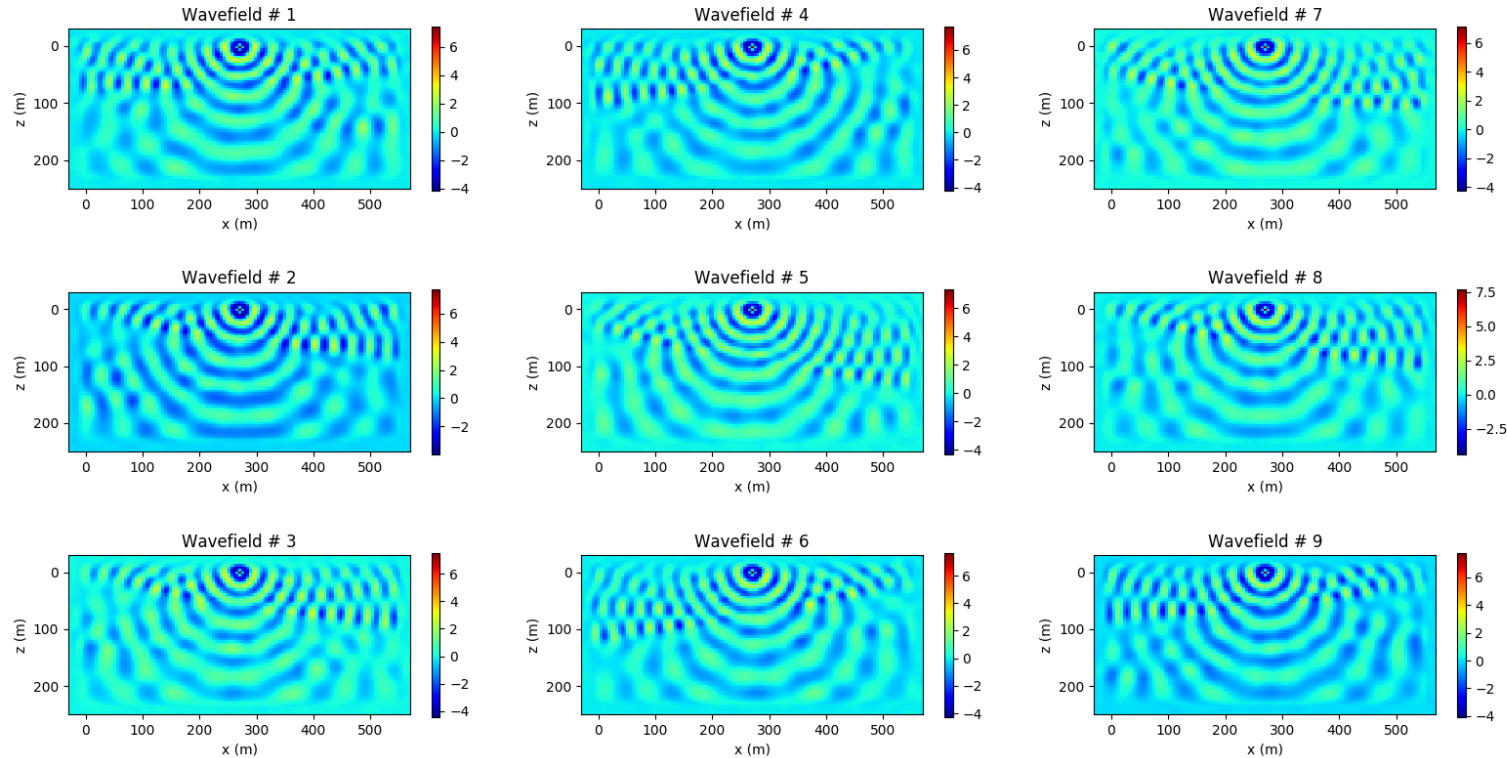
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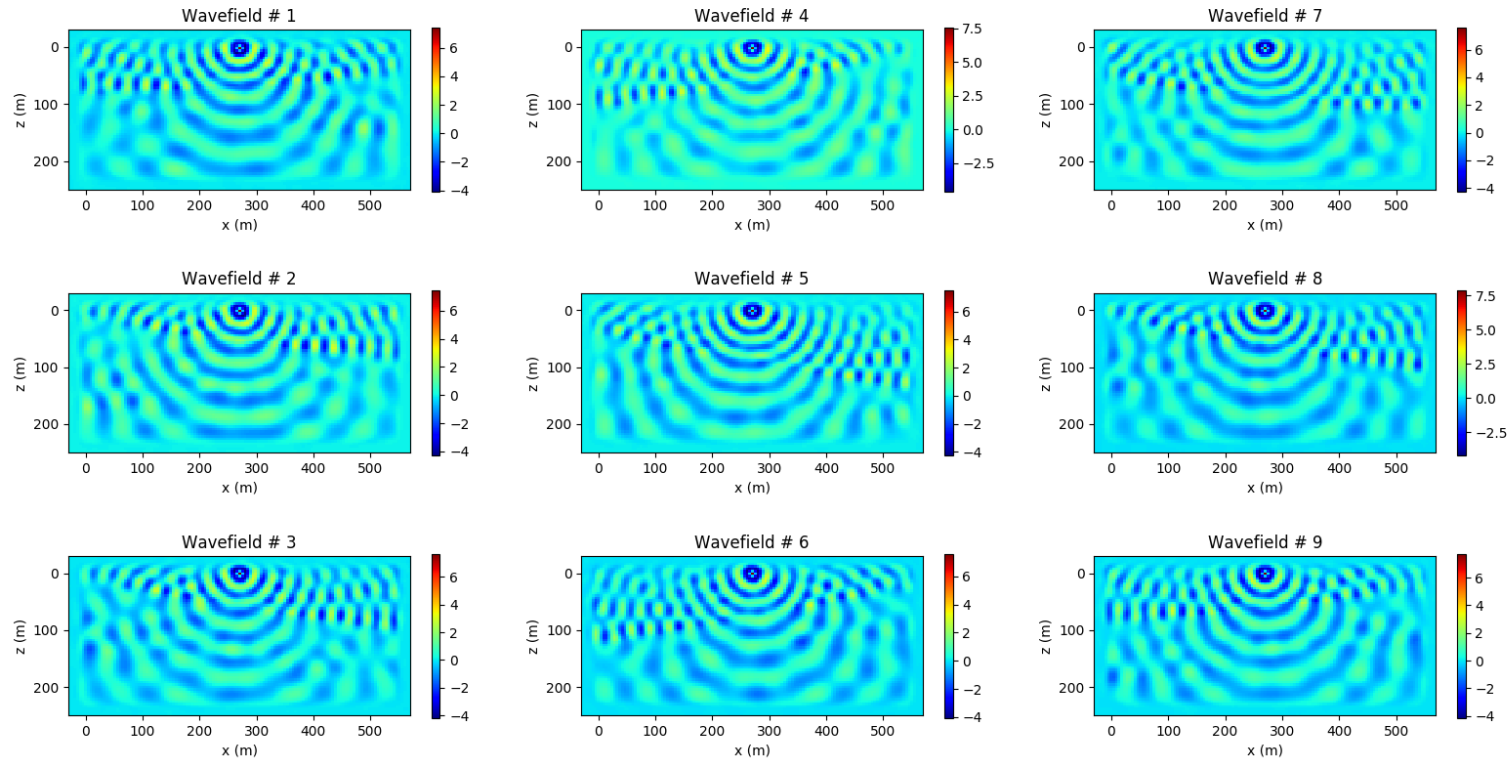
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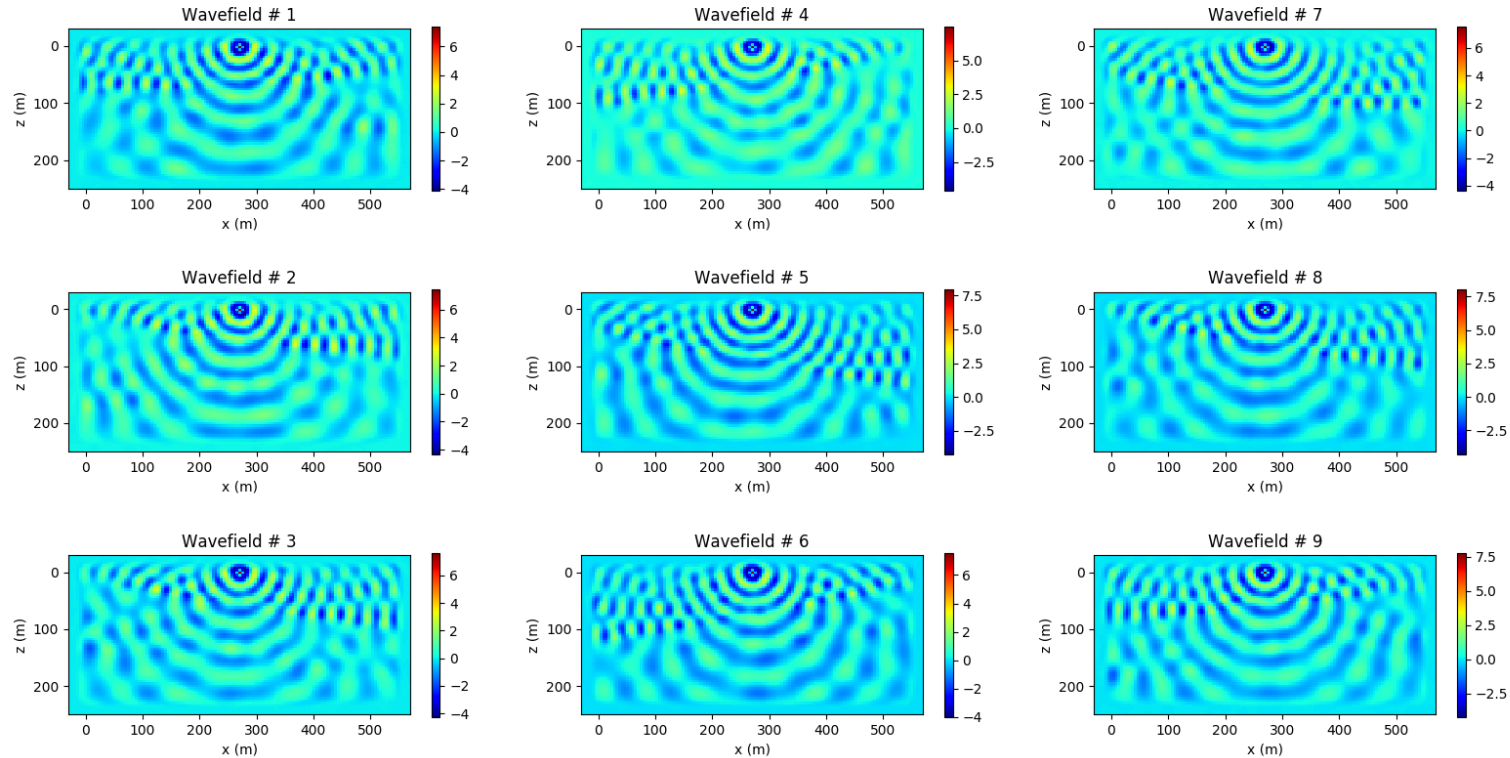
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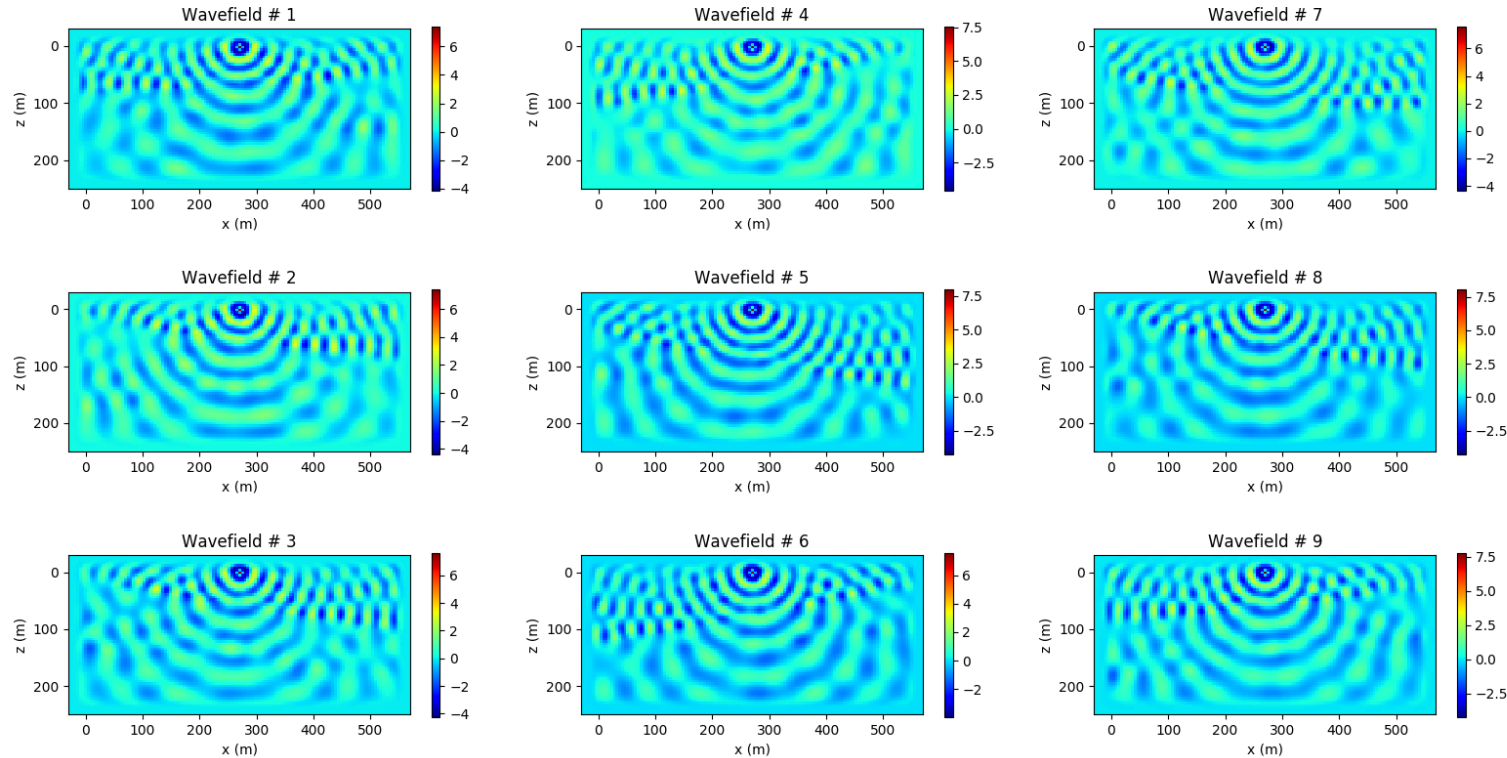
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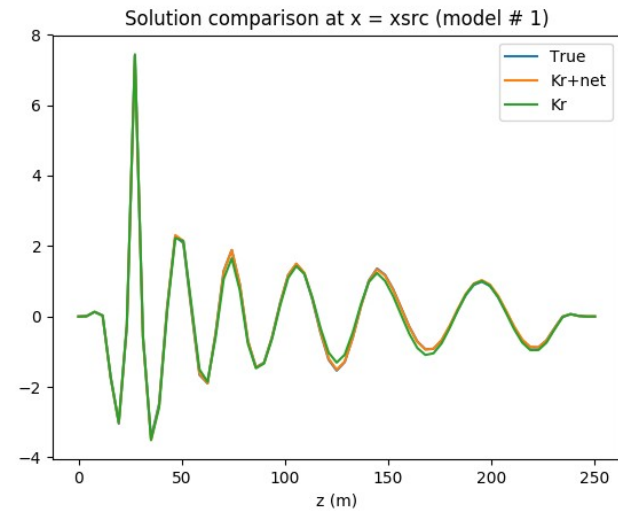
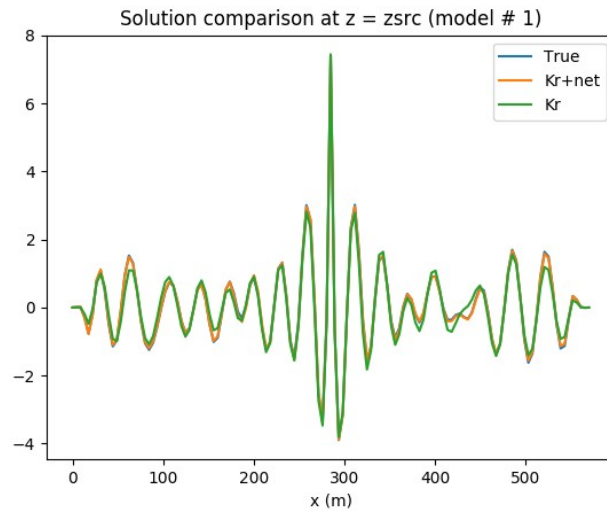


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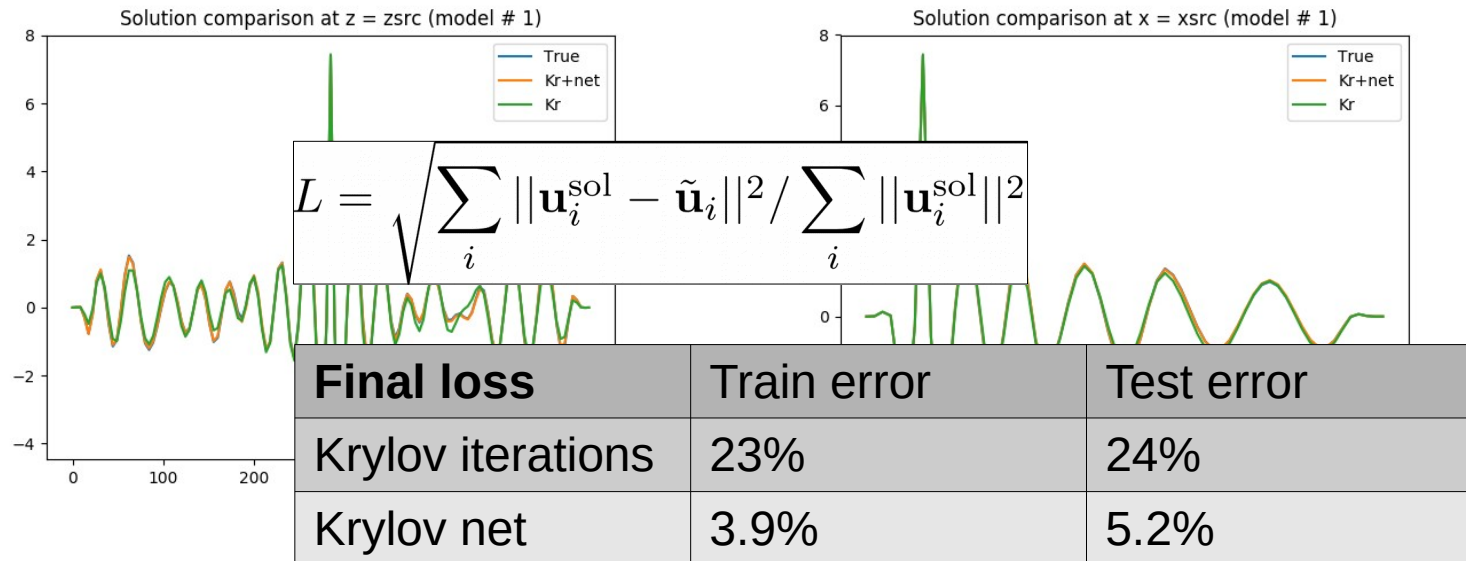
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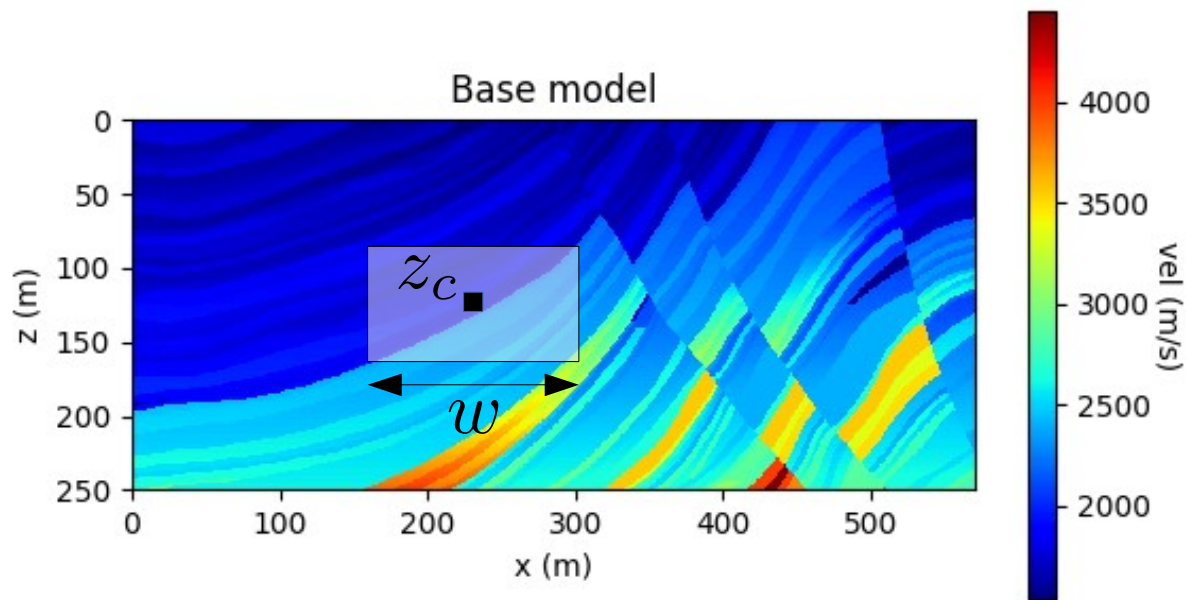
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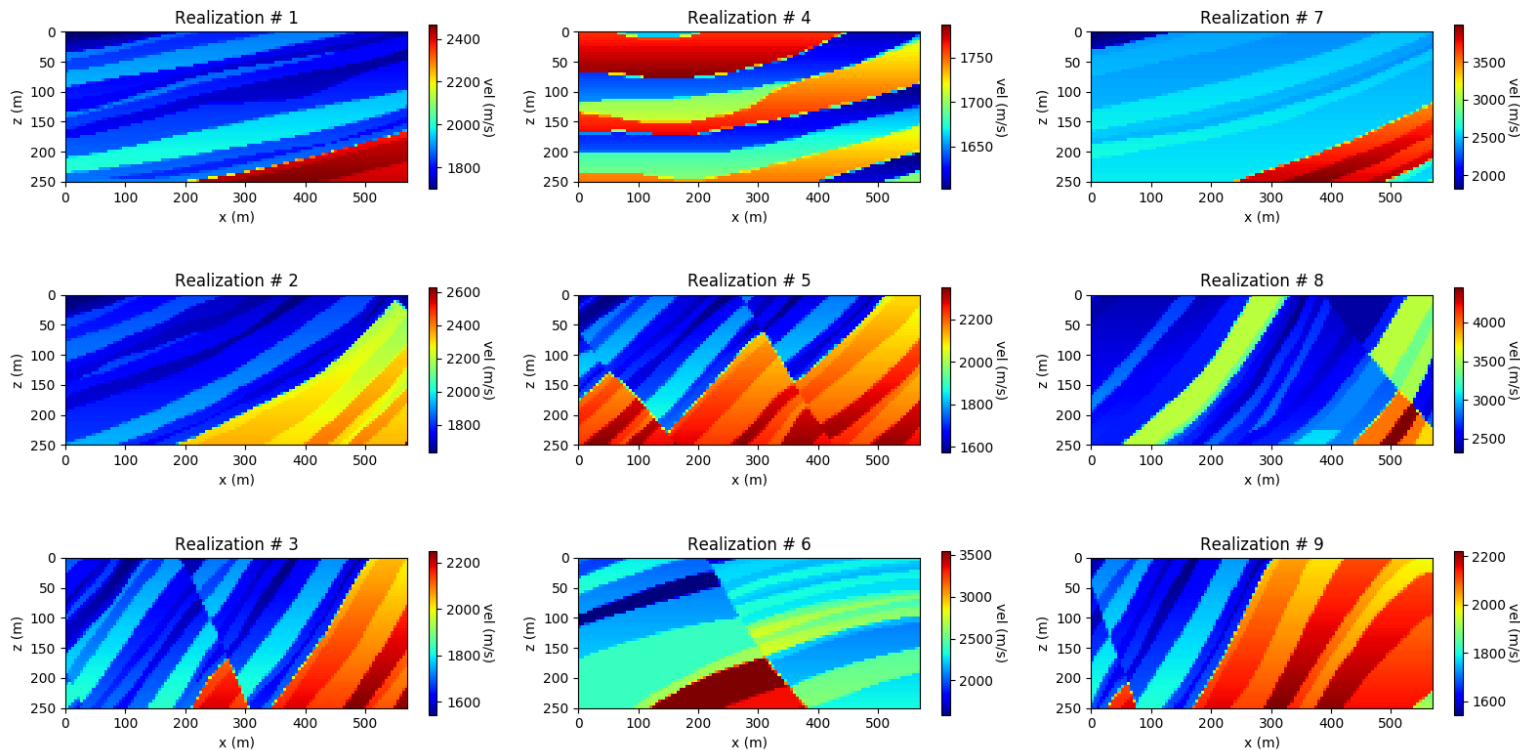
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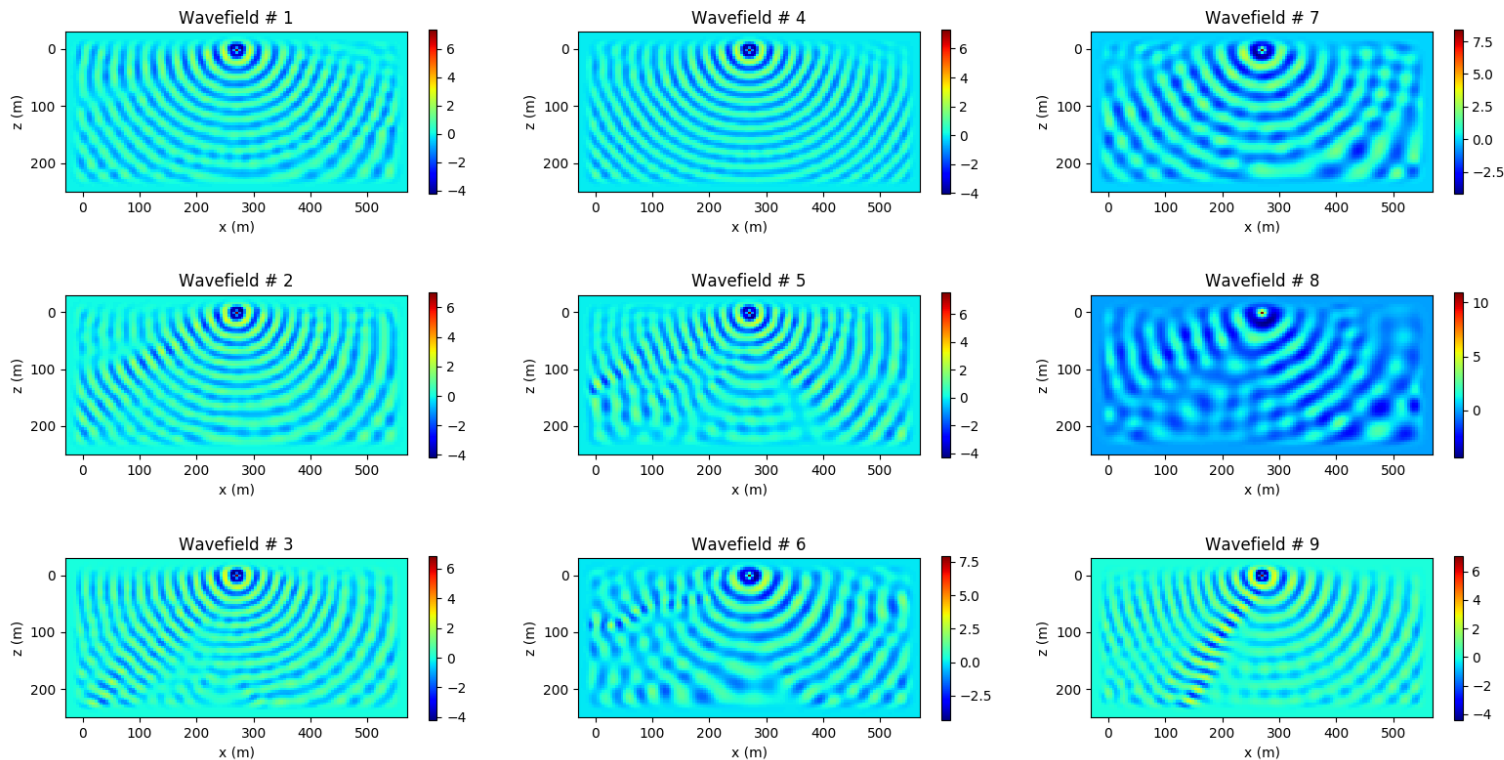
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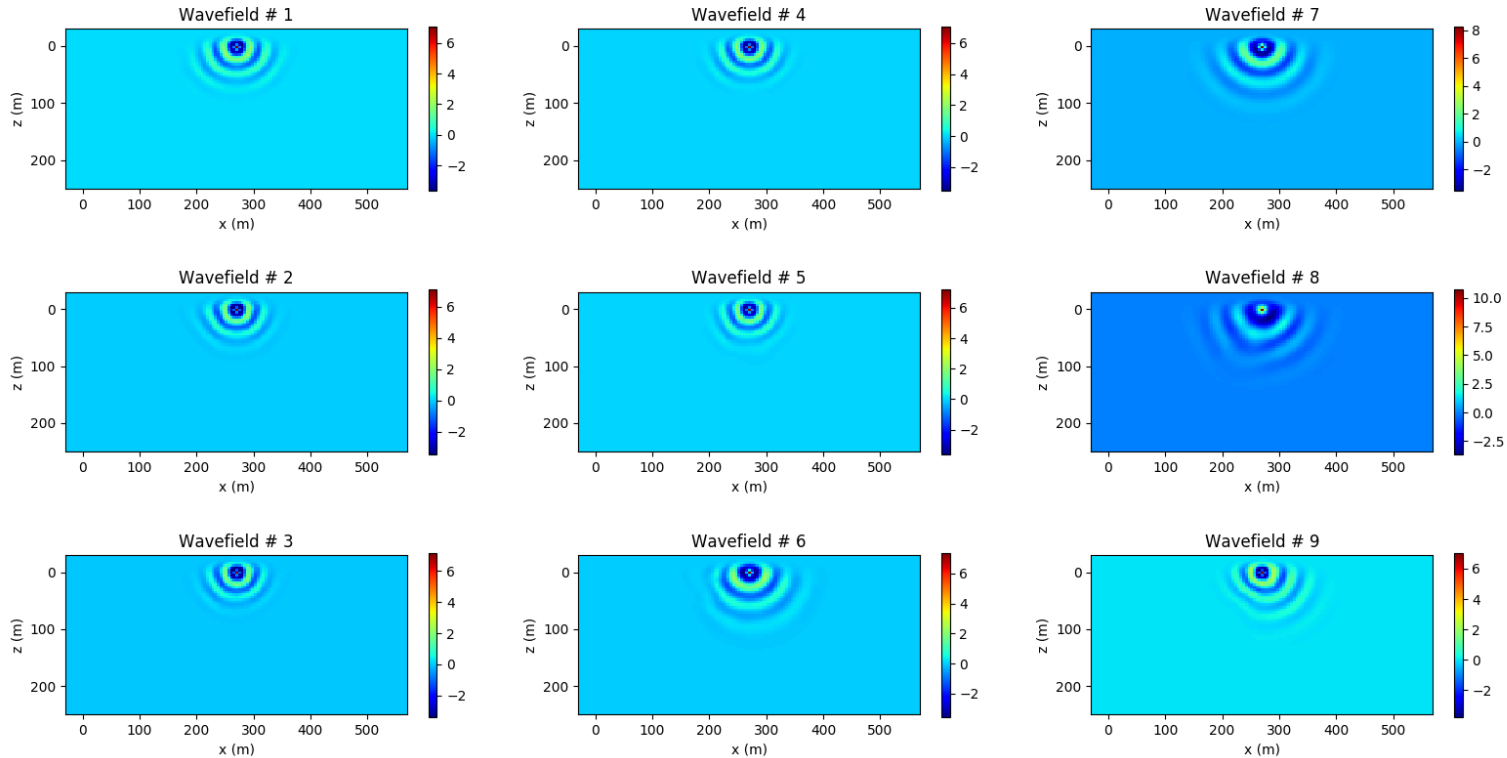
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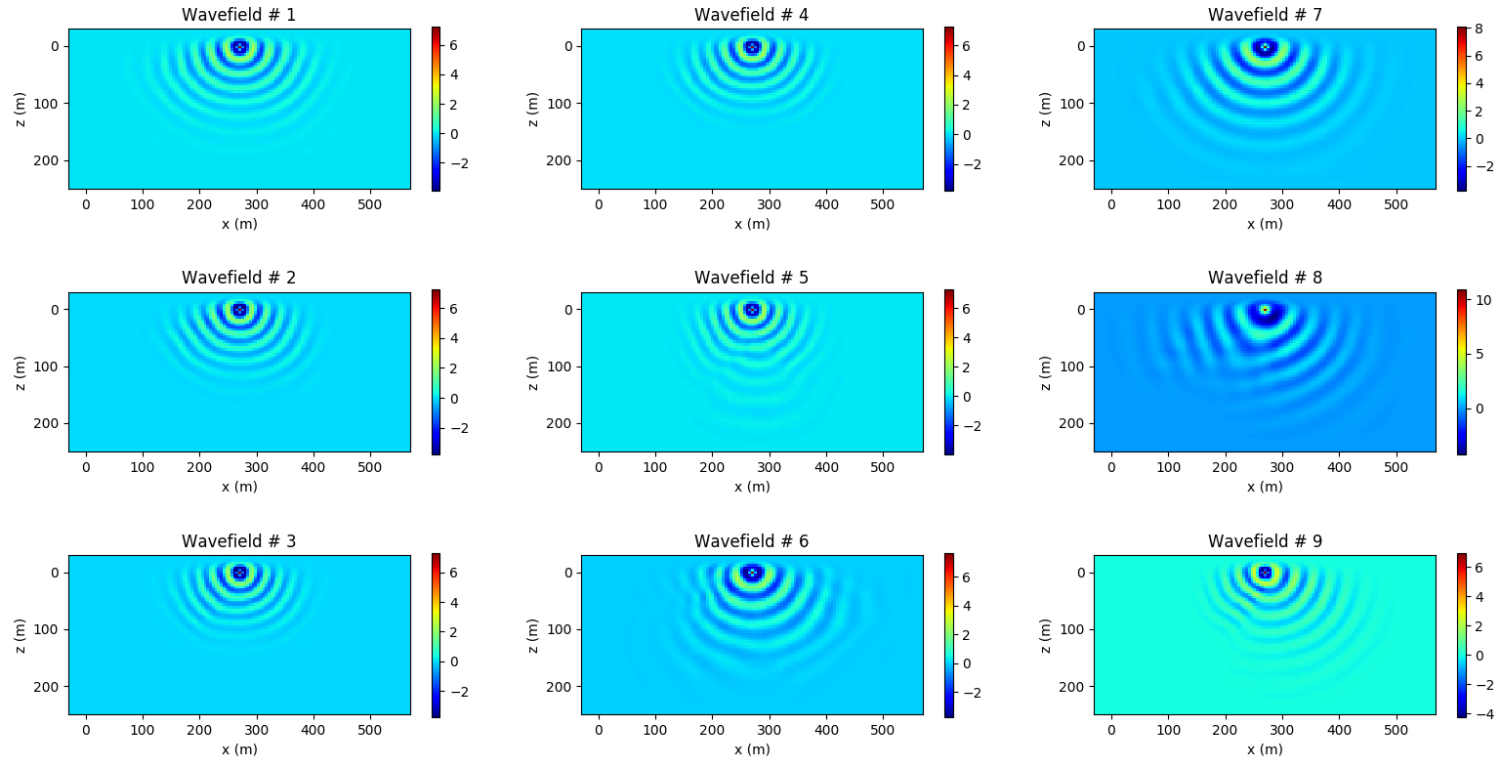
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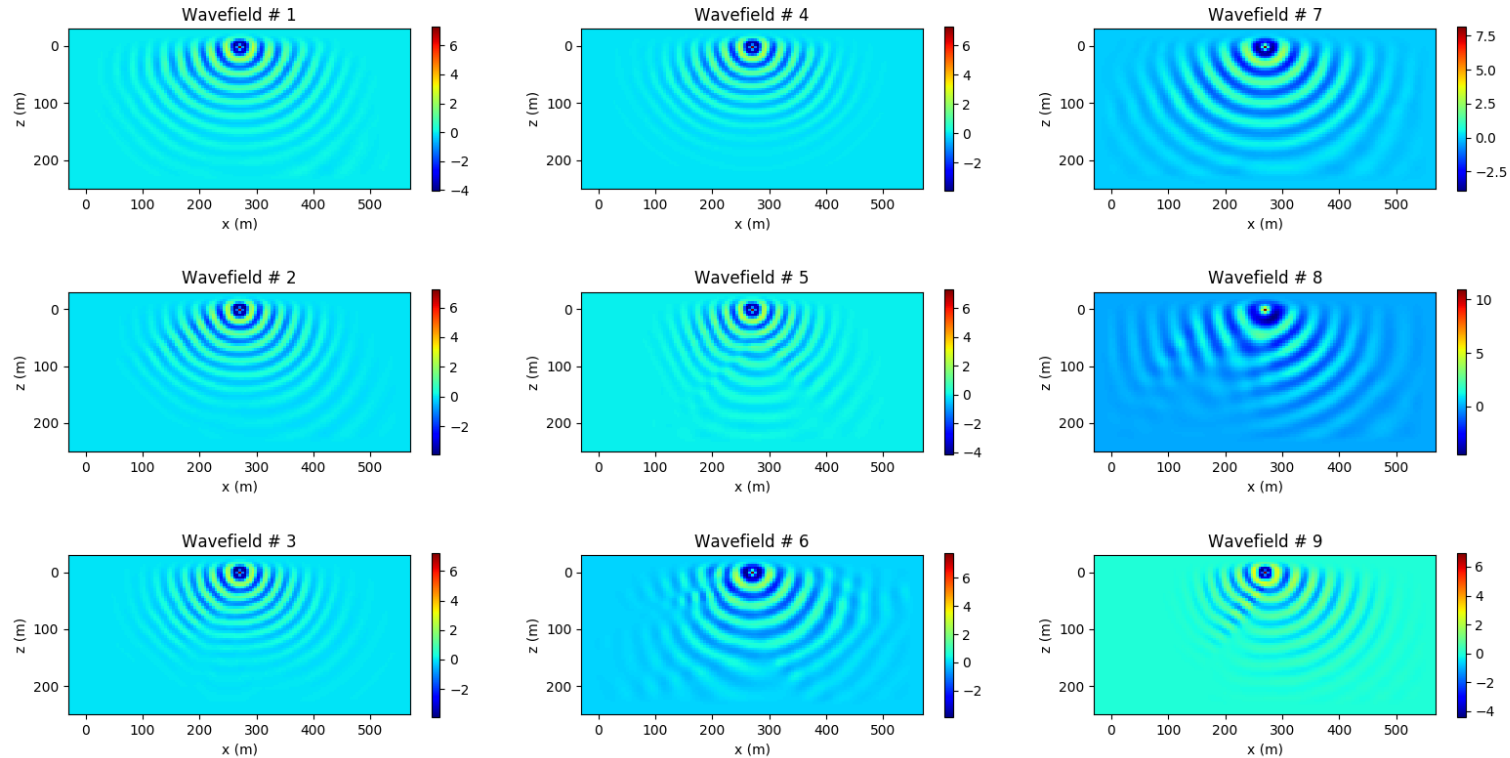
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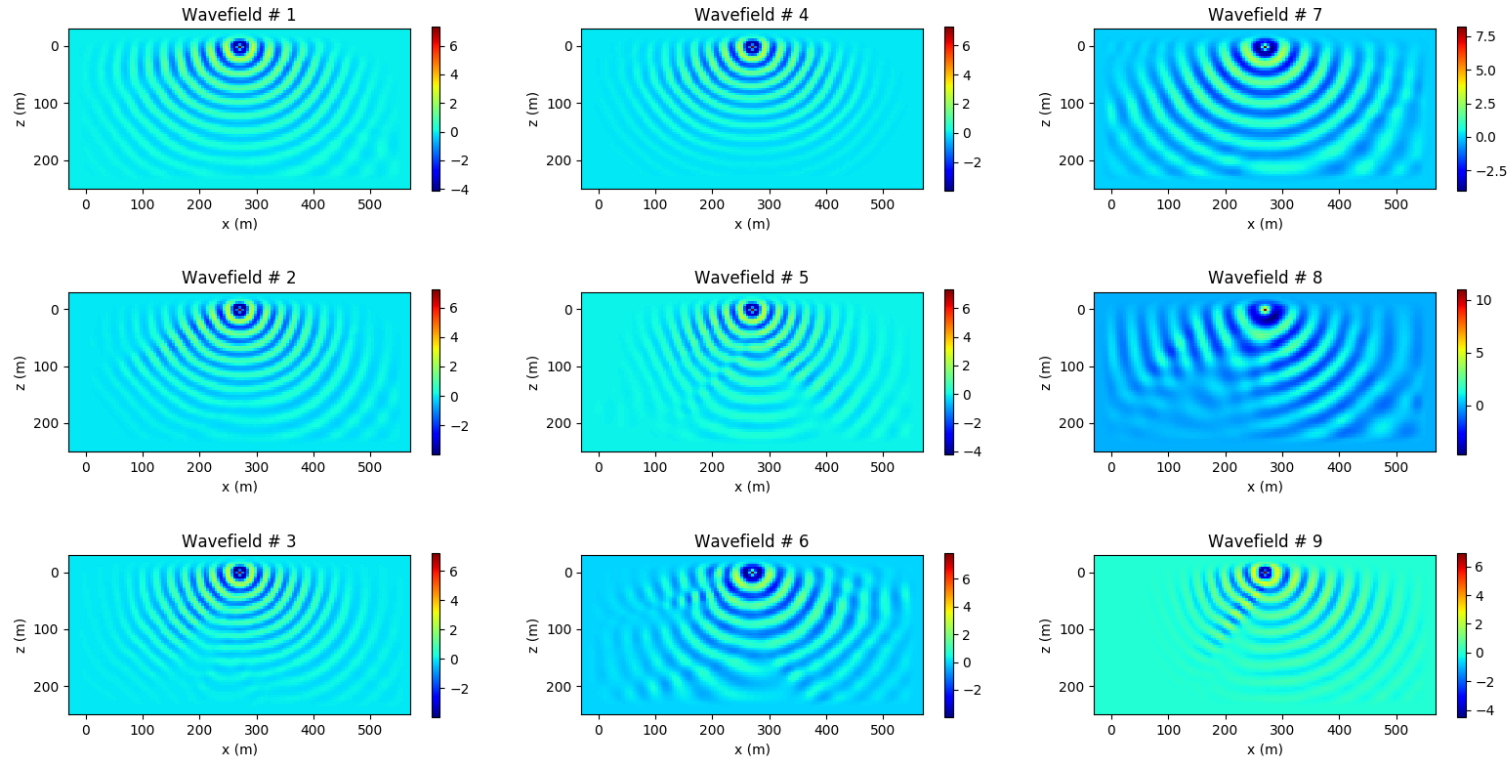
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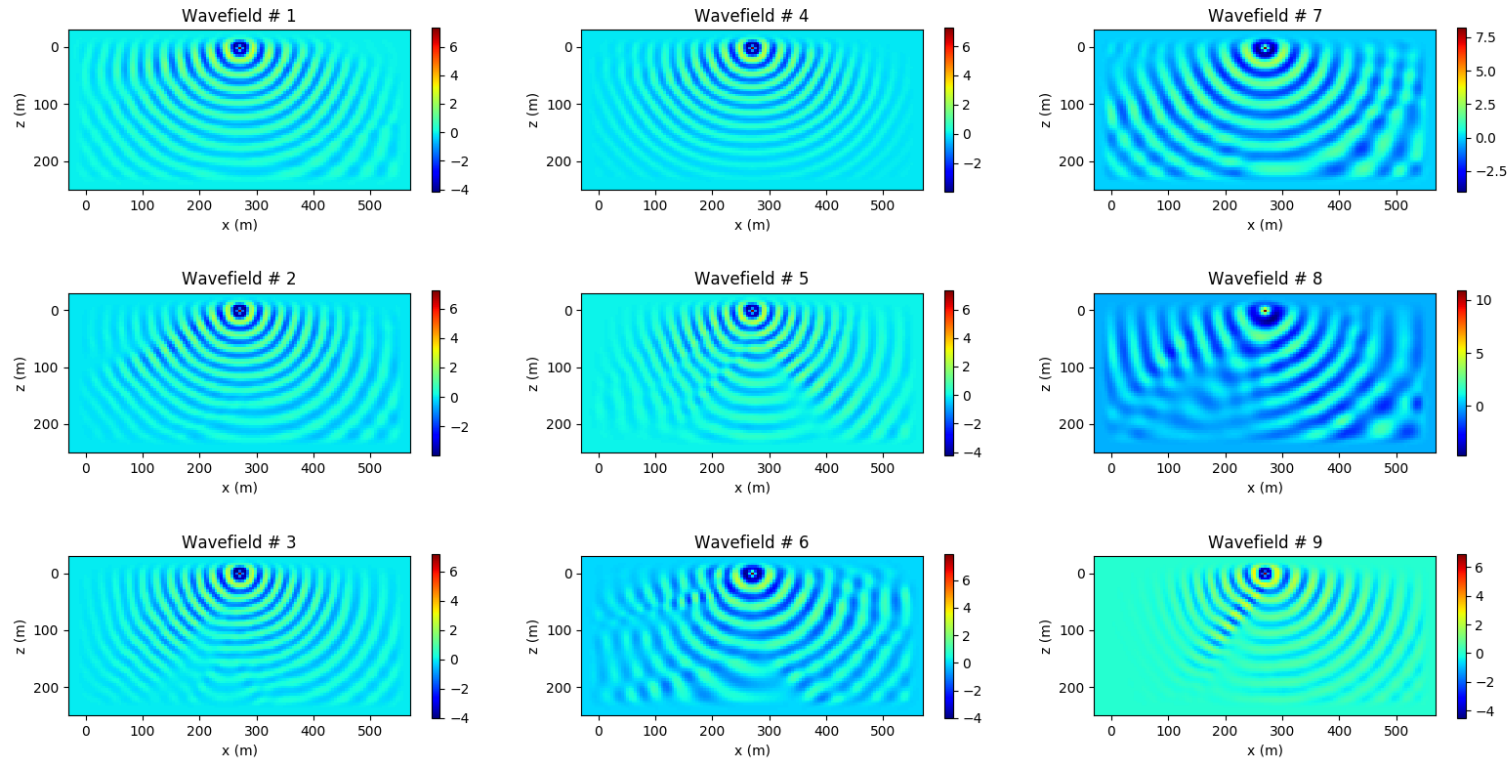
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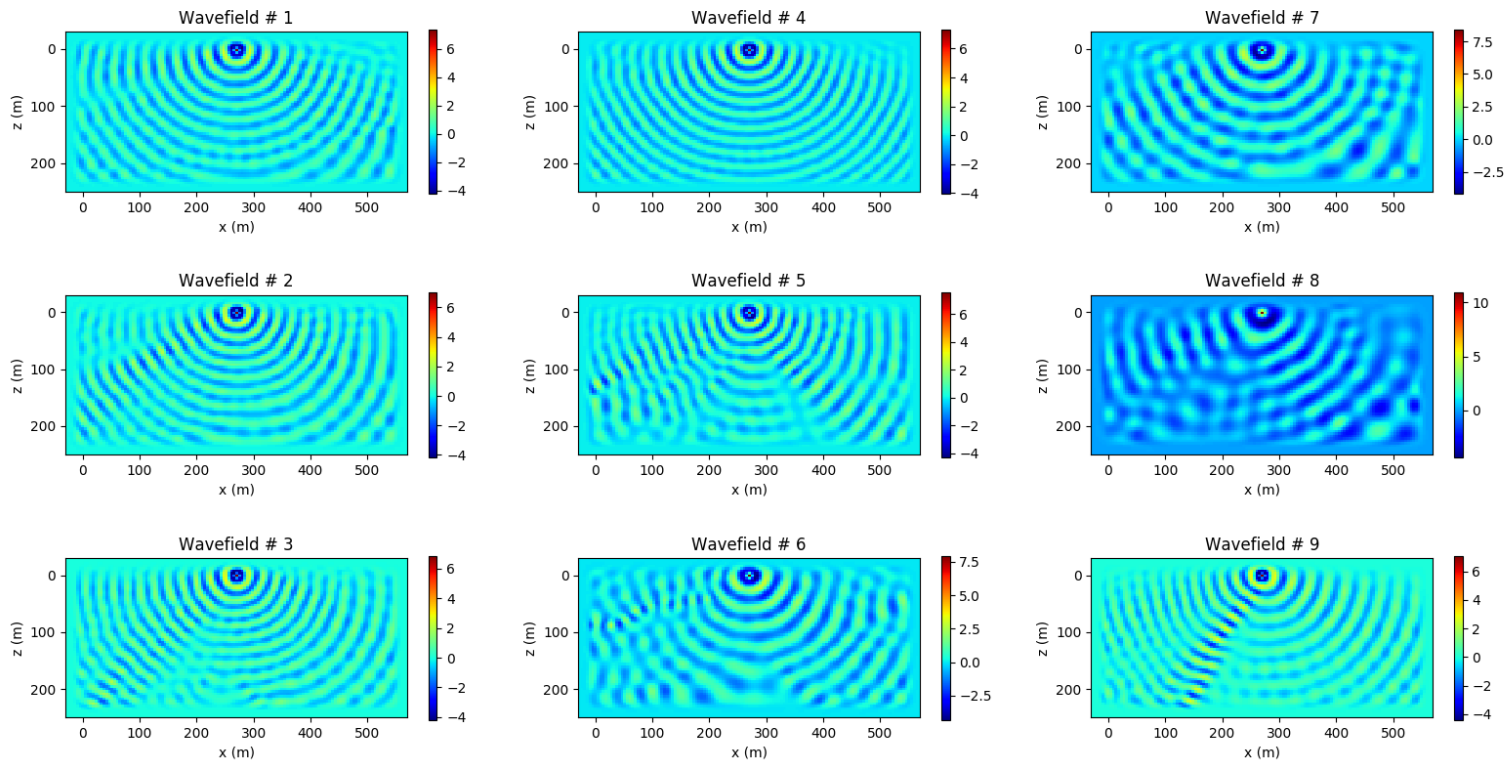
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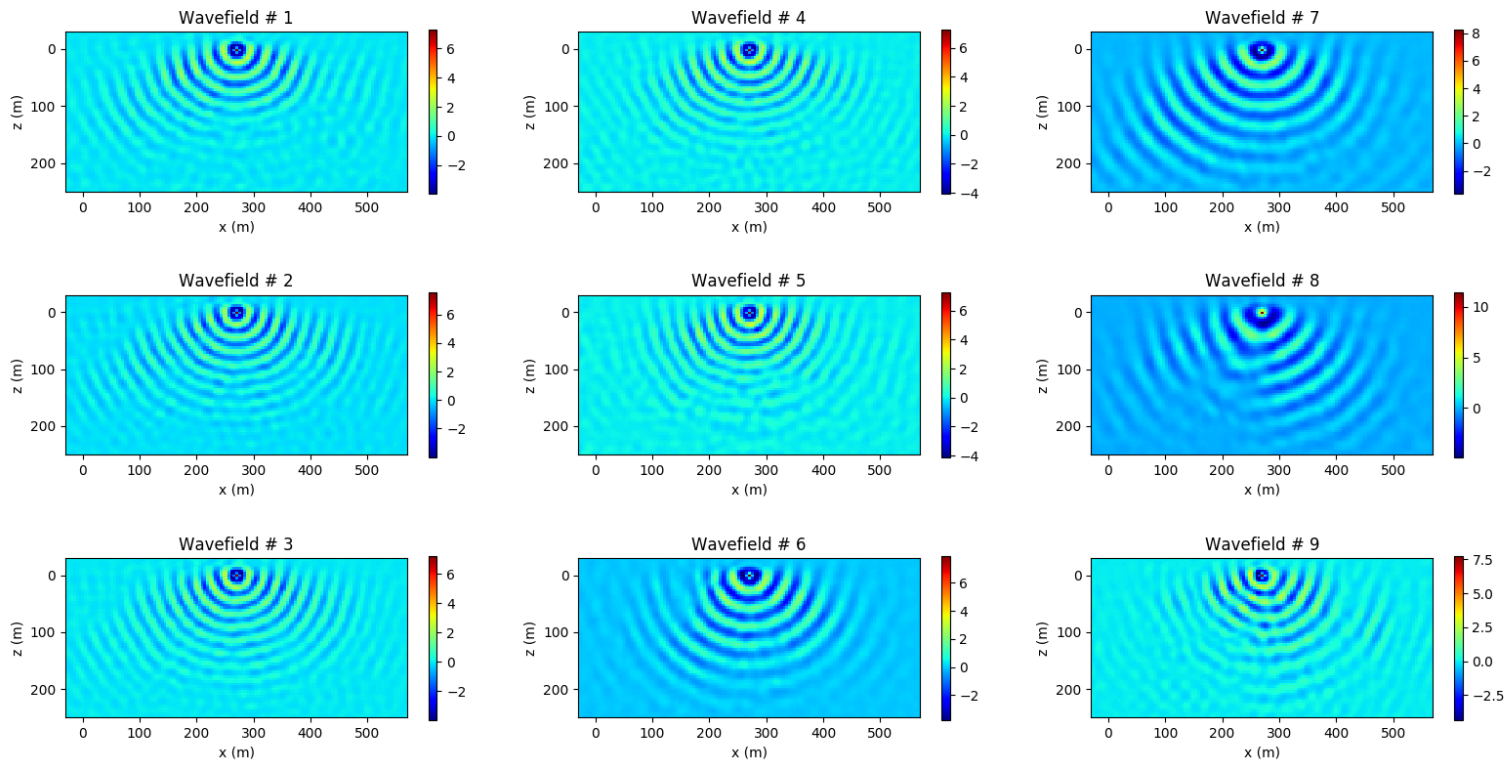
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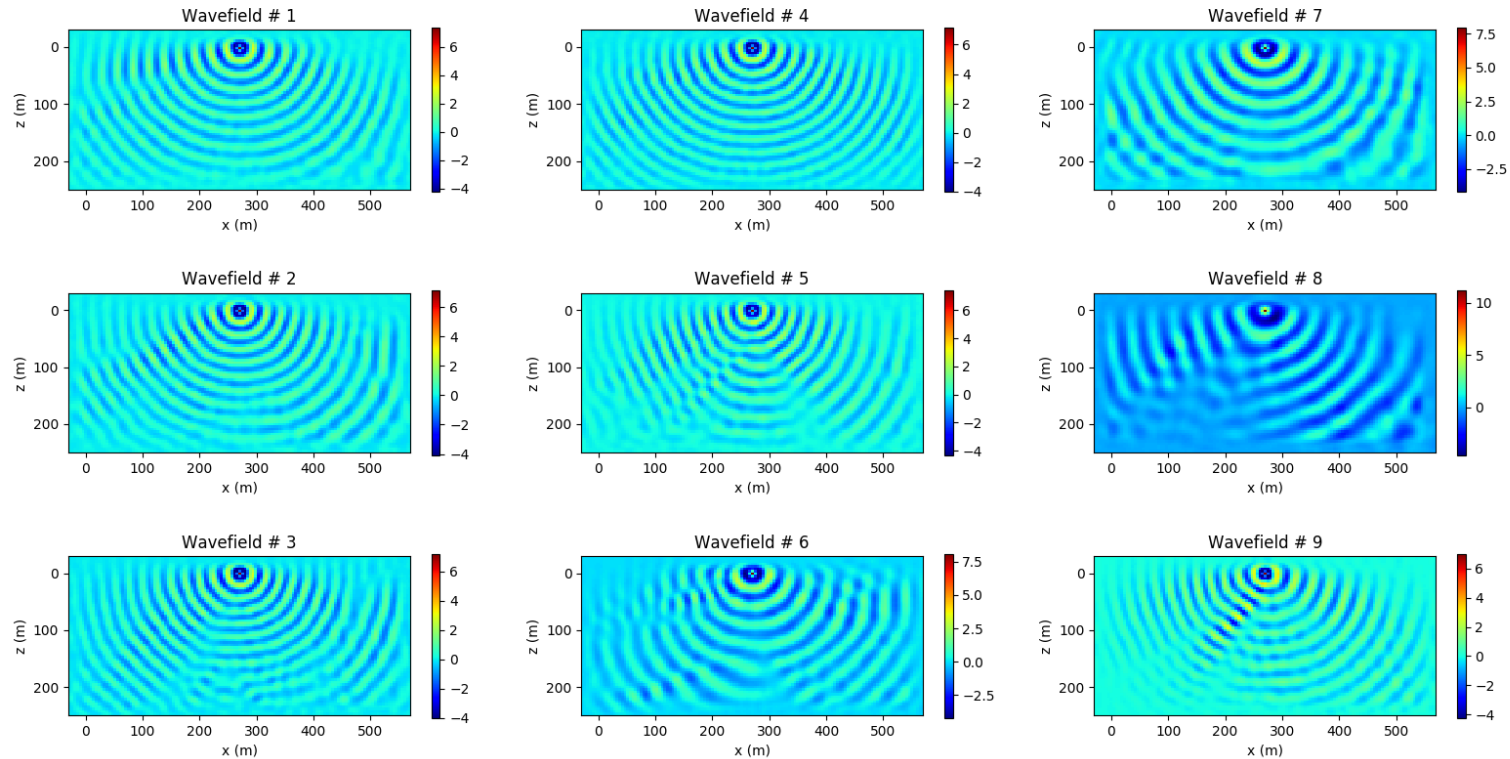
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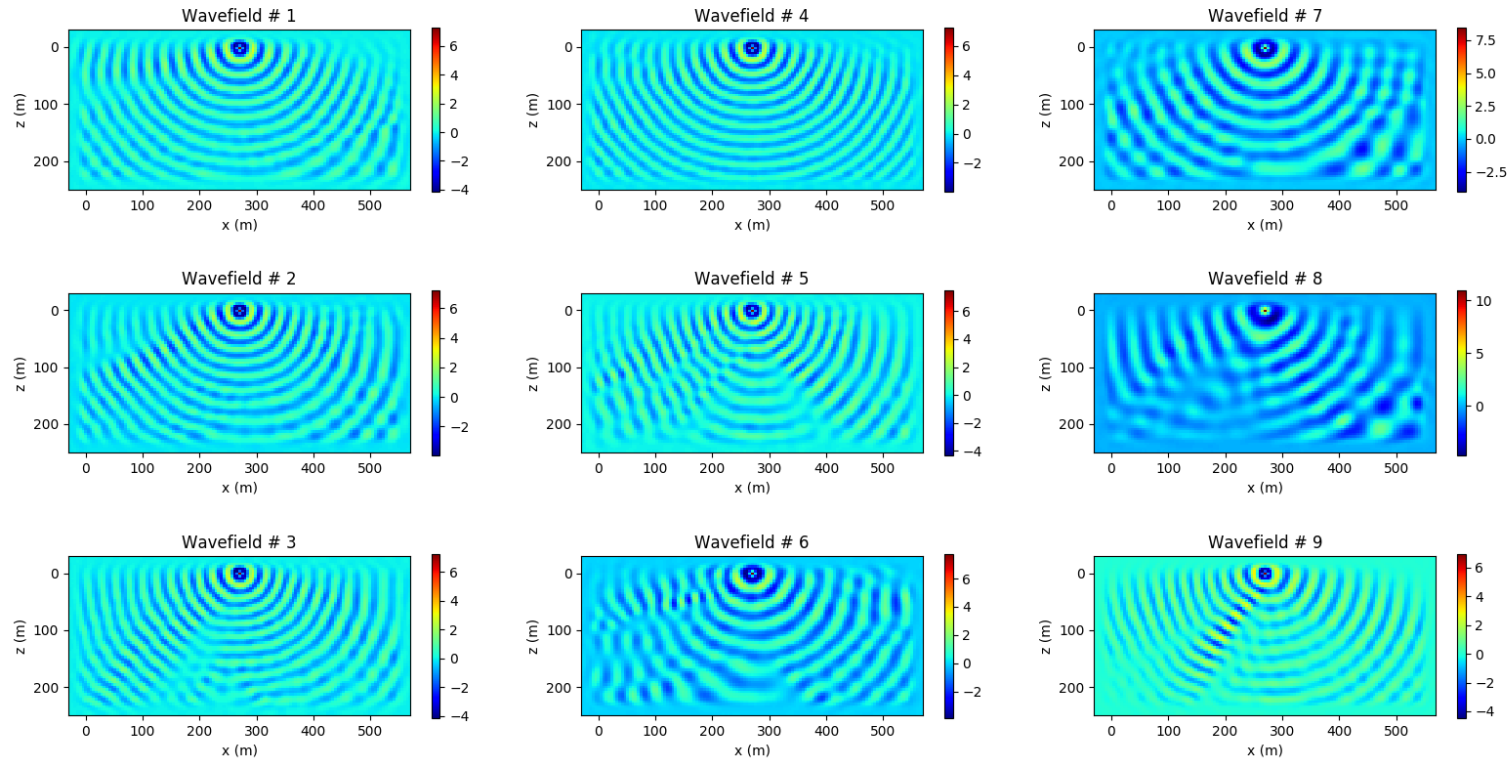
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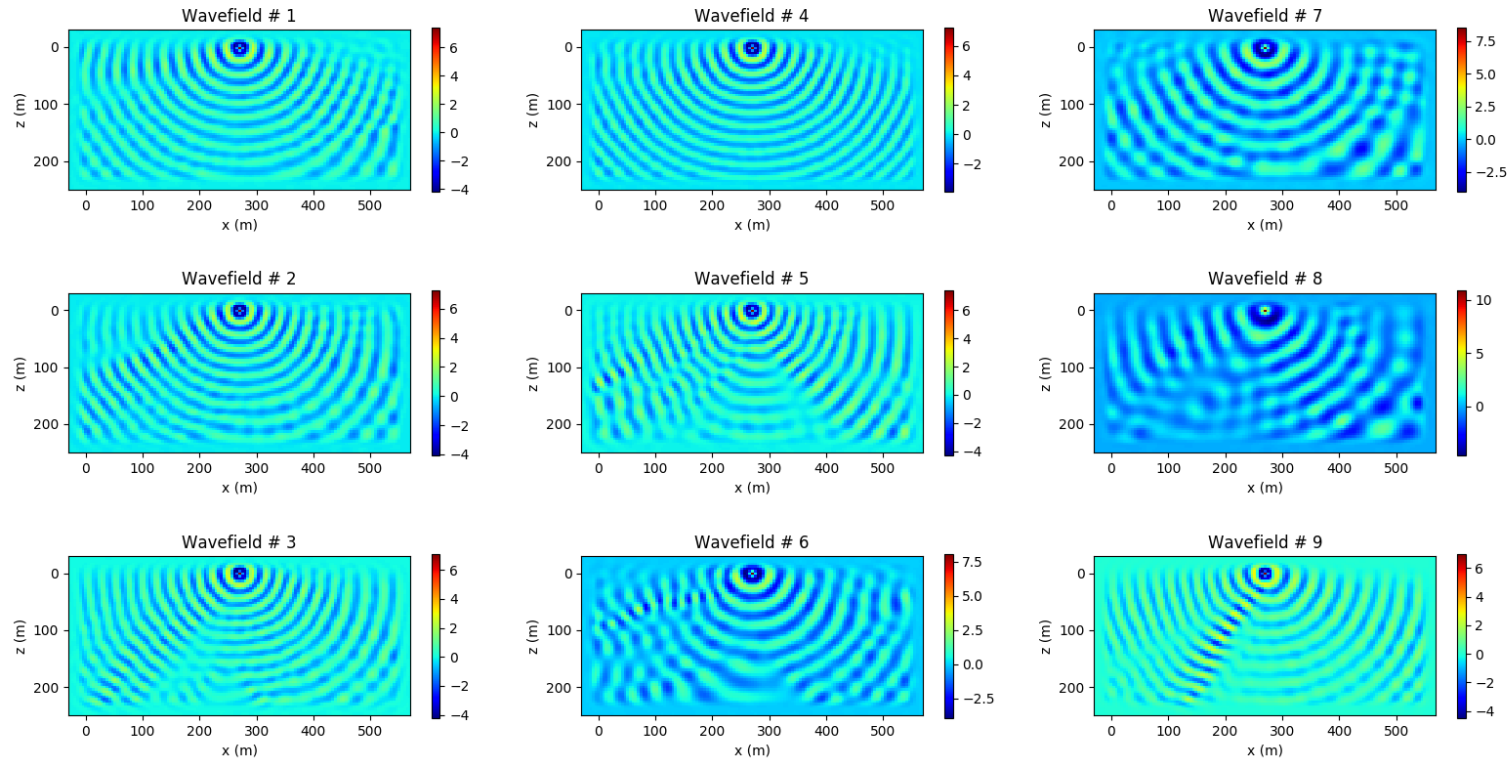
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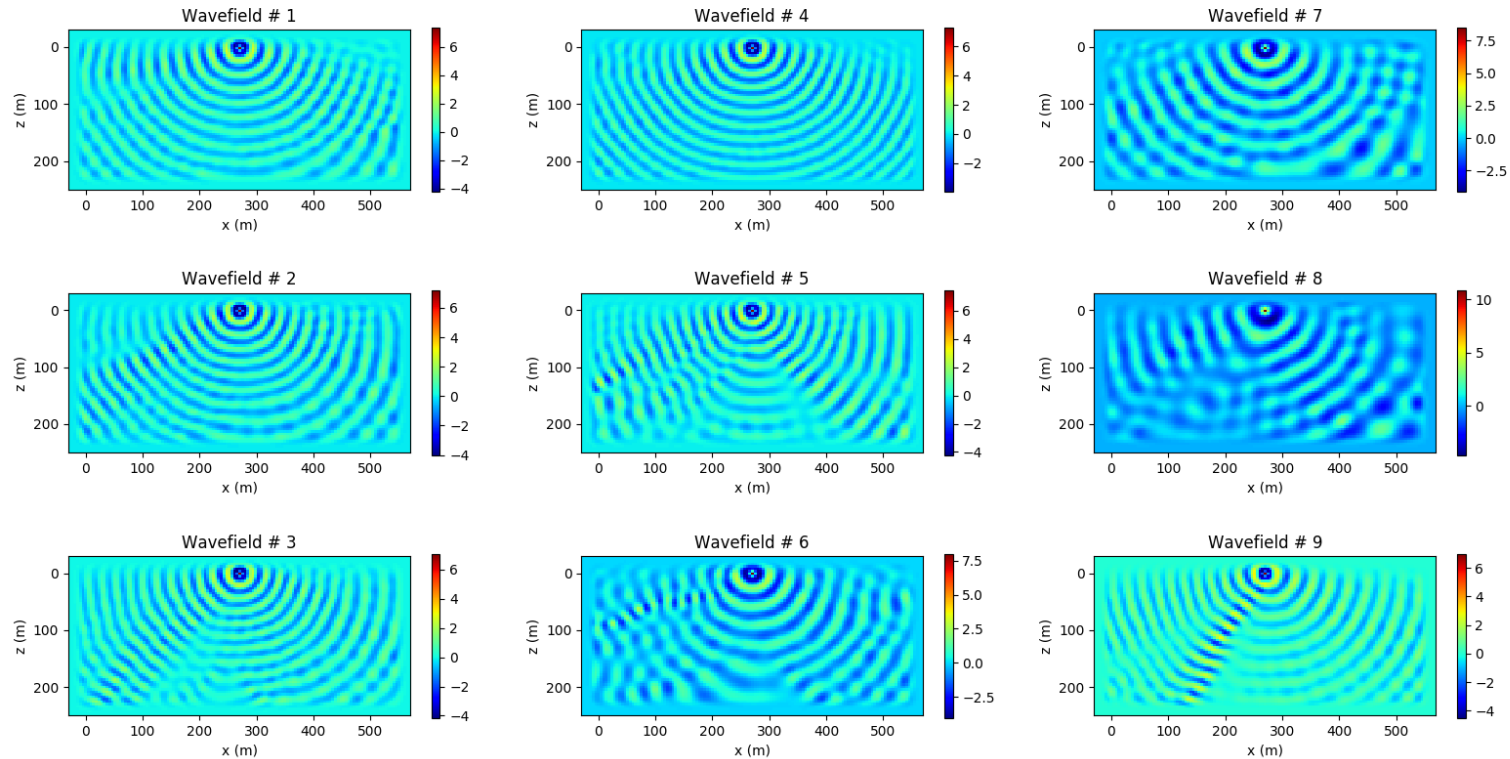
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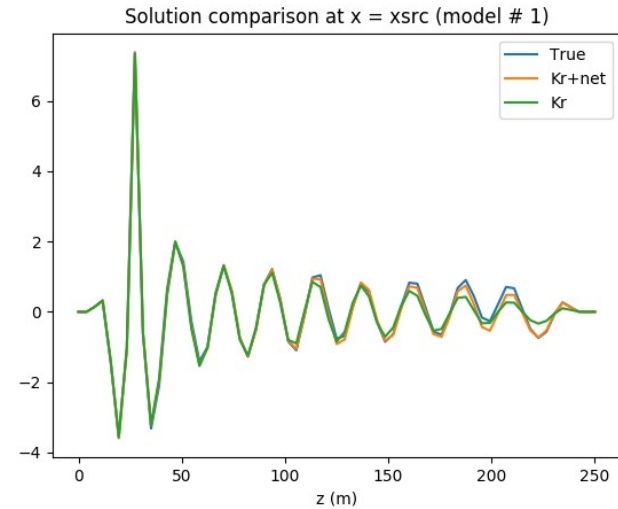
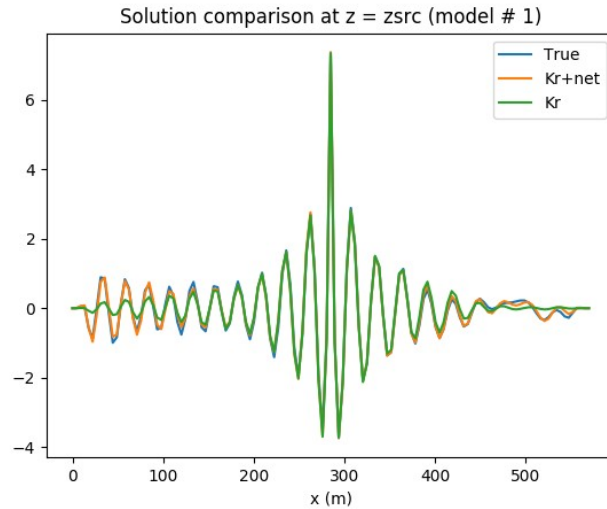


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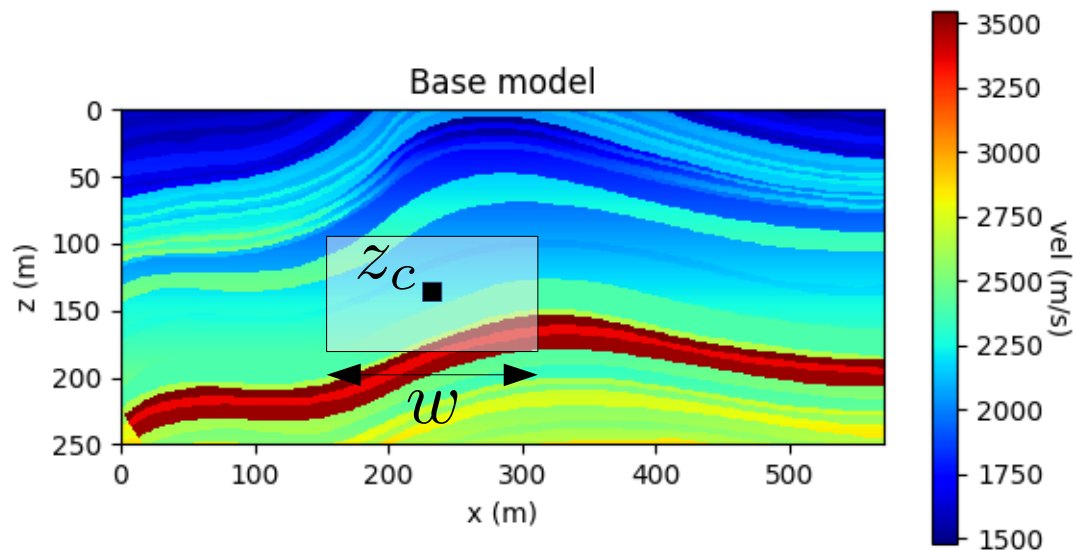
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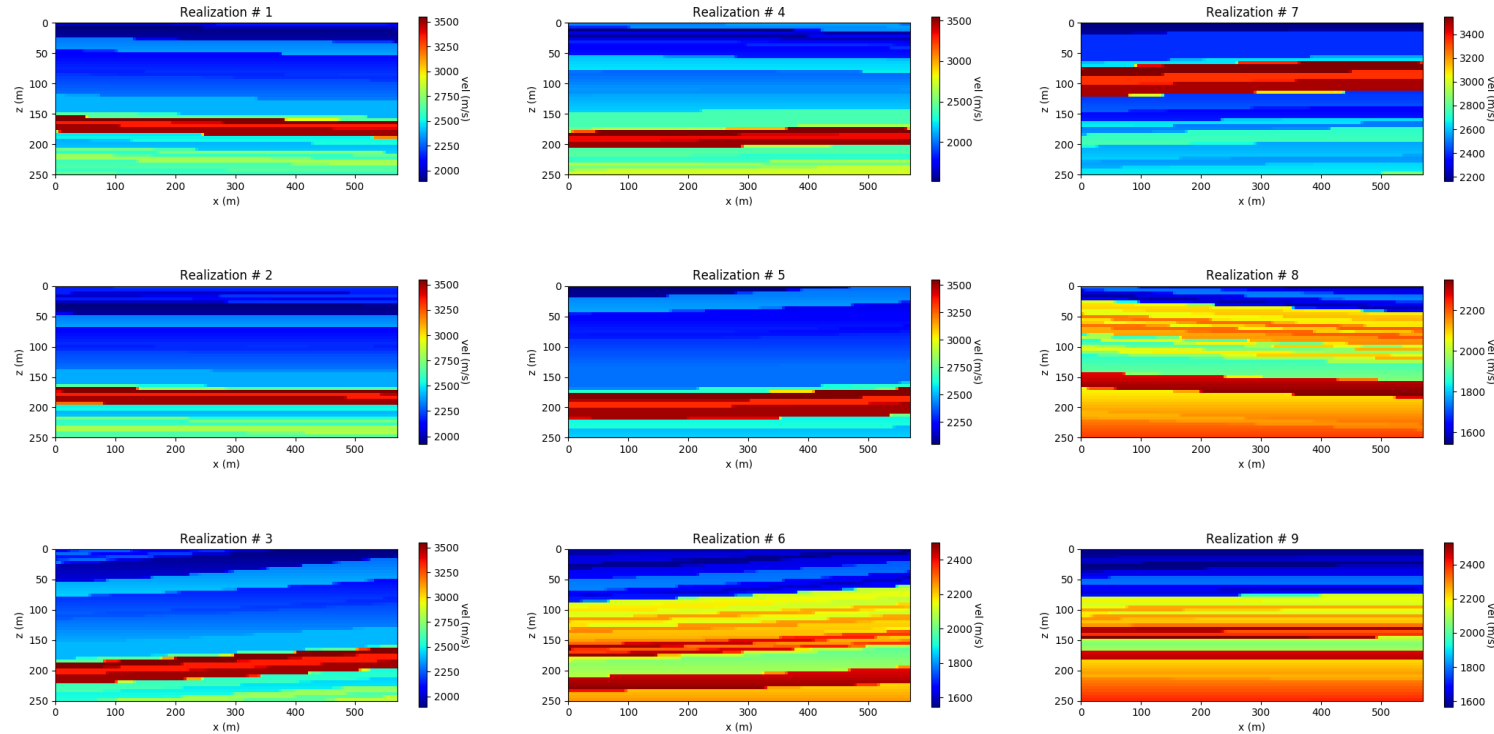
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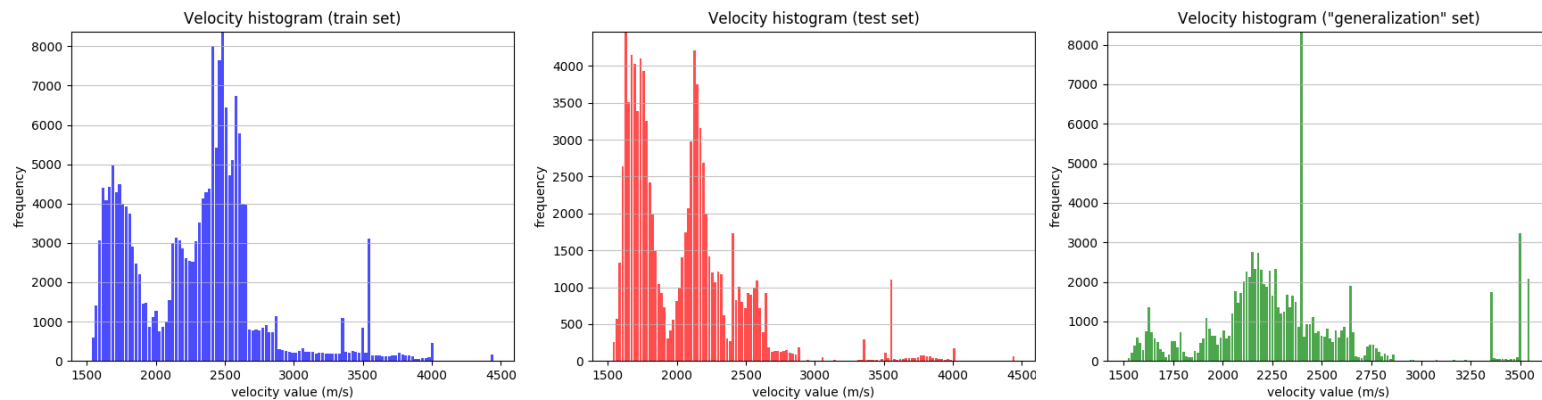
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Generalization test set excerpt



Example 2: Train/test errors



$$L = \sqrt{\sum_i ||\mathbf{u}_i^{\text{sol}} - \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i||^2 / \sum_i ||\mathbf{u}_i^{\text{sol}}||^2}$$

Final loss	Train error	Test error	"Generalization" error
Krylov iterations	37.6%	40.5%	32.3%
Krylov net	12.1%	12.9%	17.2%

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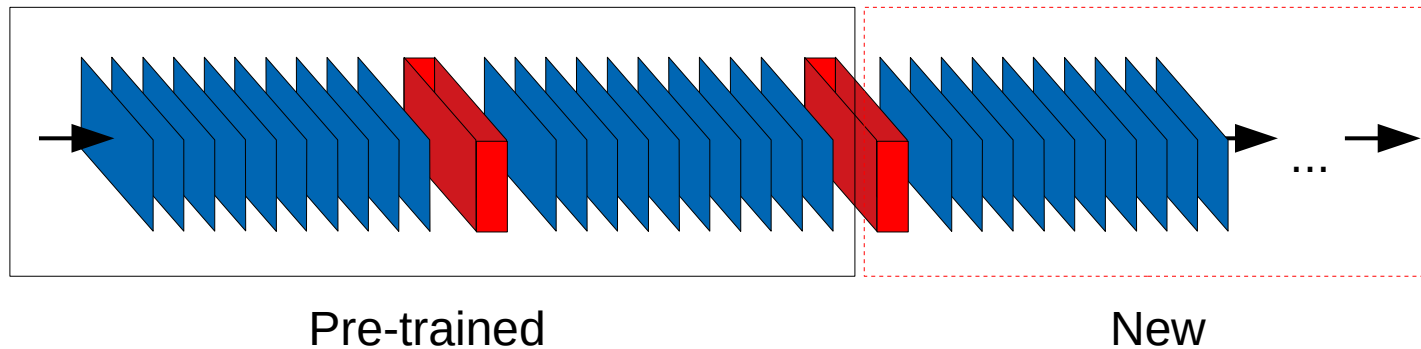
$D_\varphi : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ discriminator

$$L(\theta, \varphi) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{u} \sim p_U} (1 - D_\varphi(\mathbf{u}))^2 + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{m} \sim p_M} (D_\varphi \circ F_\theta(\mathbf{m}))^2 + \lambda \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{u} \sim p_{M,U}} \|\mathbf{u} - F_\theta(\mathbf{m})\|^2$$

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Alternative applications/extensions:

- implicit time-stepping
- source-to-source / low-to-high frequency / acoustic-to-elastic transfer
- combination with learned reconstruction operators

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