

# A Finite Volume Evolution Galerkin Scheme for Wave Propagation in Heterogeneous Media

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# Aim

- To model the propagation of acoustic waves in heterogeneous media.
- To extend the Finite Volume Evolution Galerkin (FVEG) scheme for linear hyperbolic systems with spatially varying flux functions.
- To derive a genuinely multi-dimensional finite volume scheme for the acoustic wave equation system.

# Governing Equations

Propagation of acoustic waves in an ideal gas at rest initially is given by,

$$\begin{pmatrix} p \\ \rho_0 u \\ \rho_0 v \end{pmatrix}_t + \begin{pmatrix} \gamma p_0 u \\ p \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_x + \begin{pmatrix} \gamma p_0 v \\ p \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_y = 0, \quad (1)$$

$\rho_0 = \rho_0(x, y)$ ,  $p_0 = \text{const}$  are the ambient density and pressure. In non-conservation form

$$\mathbf{v}_t + \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{v}_x + \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{v}_y = 0, \quad (2)$$

where  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \gamma p_0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\rho_0} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$\mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \gamma p_0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\rho_0} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Note that (2) is a linear system with spatially varying coefficients.



# Definition of a characteristic surface

## Definition

A characteristic surface  $\Omega: \varphi(x, y, t) = 0$  of (1) is a surface of discontinuity of the first derivatives.

The one parameter family of characteristic surfaces  $\varphi(x, y, t) = \text{const}$  is governed by the characteristic partial differential equation

$$Q(\mathbf{x}, \varphi_t, \nabla \varphi) \equiv \det(\varphi_t \mathbf{I} + \varphi_x \mathbf{A}_1 + \varphi_y \mathbf{A}_2) = 0, \quad (3)$$

$\mathbf{A}_1$  and  $\mathbf{A}_2$  are the flux Jacobian matrices. Note that (3) is a nonlinear first order PDE for  $\varphi$ , of the Hamilton-Jacobi type. This is a generalization of the eikonal equation in optics.

# Definition of a bicharacteristic curve

## Definition

The characteristic curves of (3) are called bicharacteristic curves

- These are curves in  $(x, y, t)$ -space.
- The generators of characteristic surfaces.
- Advection curves, stream lines for Euler equations.
- A hyperbolic system of  $m$  equations has  $m$  families of bicharacteristic curves.

[Courant-Hilbert 1962, Prasad 2001]

# Examples

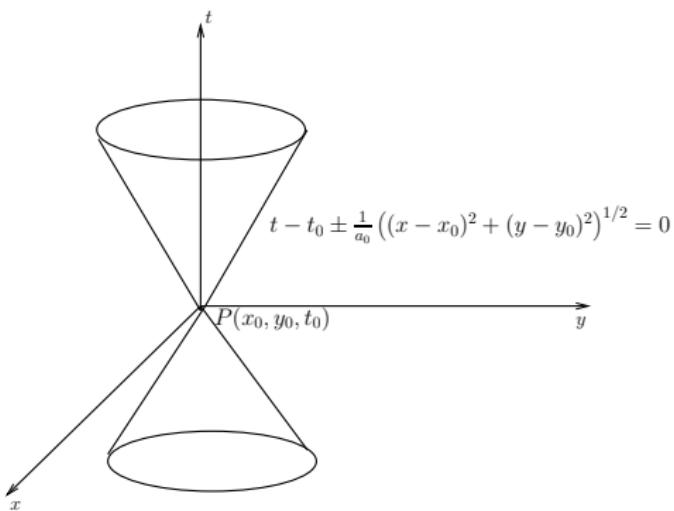
For the wave equation

$$u_{tt} - a_0^2 (u_{xx} + u_{yy}) = 0, \quad (4)$$

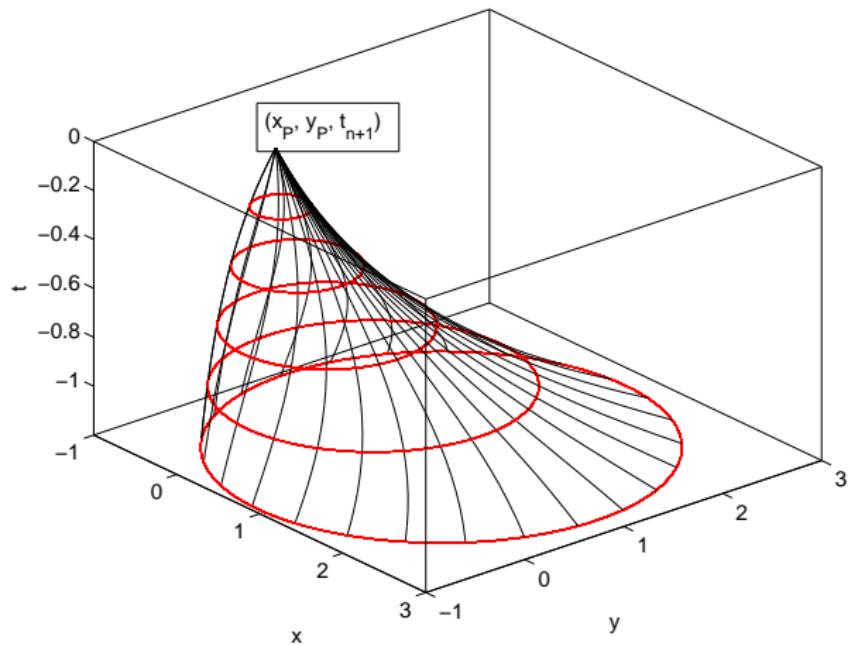
the eikonal is

$$\varphi_t - a_0 (\varphi_x^2 + \varphi_y^2)^{1/2} = 0. \quad (5)$$

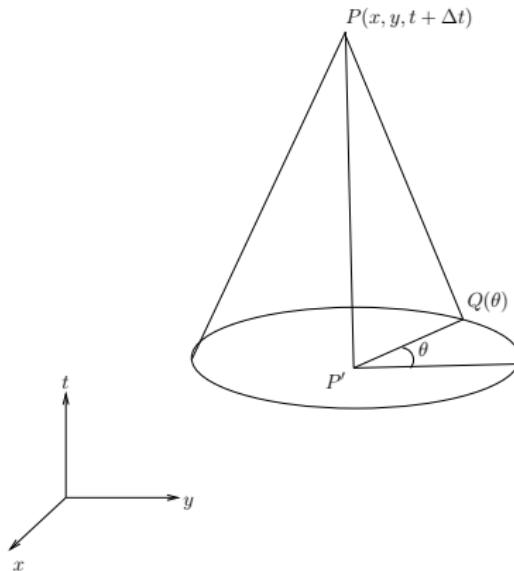
An important solution is the characteristic conoid



## Examples contd



**Figure:** Characteristic conoid for the acoustic wave equation system



**Figure:** Bicharacteristics along the Mach cone through  $P$  and  $Q(\theta)$

- Can we get the solution at  $P$  using the values at  $Q(\theta)$ ?
- As  $Q(\theta)$  moves along the circle we get contributions from infinitely many directions!

# Result

Lemma (Extended lemma on bicharacteristics, Prasad, 1993)

For a hyperbolic system

$$\mathbf{u}_t + \sum_{j=1}^d (\mathbf{f}_j(\mathbf{u}))_{x_j} = 0, \quad (6)$$

the evolution of the  $p$ -th bicharacteristic family is given by

$$\frac{dx_j}{dt} = \mathbf{l}^{(p)} \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{r}^{(p)}, \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{dn_j}{dt} = \mathbf{l}^{(p)} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^d n_k \left( \lambda^{(p)} \sum_{s=1}^d n_s \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}_s}{\partial \eta_k^j} \right) \right\} \mathbf{r}^{(p)}, \quad (8)$$

where  $\mathbf{l}^{(p)}$  and  $\mathbf{r}^{(p)}$  are left and right eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda^{(p)}$  of the matrix pencil  $A := \sum_{j=1}^d n_j \mathbf{A}_j$ .

# Compatibility conditions

Result (Prasad and Ravindran, 1984)

*For a hyperbolic system of quasilinear equations*

$$\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \sum_{j=1}^d \mathbf{A}_j(\mathbf{u}) \partial x_j \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad (9)$$

*The transport equation along the  $p^{th}$  family of bicharacteristics is given by*

$$\mathbf{l}^{(p)} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} + \sum_{j=1}^d \mathbf{l}^{(p)} \left( \mathbf{A}_j - \chi_j^{(p)} \mathbf{I}_m \right) \partial x_j \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad (10)$$

*where  $\chi_j^{(p)} = \mathbf{l}^{(p)} \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{r}^{(p)}$  is the ray velocity vector and*

$\frac{d}{dt} \equiv \partial_t + \sum_{j=1}^d \chi_j^{(p)} \partial x_j$  is the derivative along the  $p^{th}$  bicharacteristic.



# Exact integral representation

## Result (Ostkamp, 1995)

For a linear hyperbolic system an exact integral representation of the solution is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}(P) = & \frac{1}{|S^{d-1}|} \int_{S^{d-1}} \sum_{k=1}^m \mathbf{r}^{(k)}(P) \mathbf{l}^{(k)}(Q_k) \mathbf{u}(Q_k) dS \\ & + \frac{1}{|S^{d-1}|} \int_{S^{d-1}} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \sum_{k=1}^m \mathbf{r}^{(k)}(P) \frac{d\mathbf{l}^{(k)}}{dt}(\tilde{Q}_k) \mathbf{u}(\tilde{Q}_k) d\tau dS \\ & - \frac{1}{|S^{d-1}|} \int_{S^{d-1}} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \sum_{k=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^d \mathbf{r}^{(k)}(P) \mathbf{l}^{(k)}(\tilde{Q}_k) \left( \mathbf{A}_j - \chi_j^{(k)} \mathbf{I} \right) \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x_j} d\tau dS\end{aligned}\quad (11)$$

## Examples

For the acoustic wave equation system,

$$\begin{pmatrix} p \\ \rho_0 u \\ \rho_0 v \end{pmatrix}_t + \begin{pmatrix} \gamma p_0 u \\ p \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_x + \begin{pmatrix} \gamma p_0 v \\ p \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_y = 0, \quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(P) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (p - z_0 u \cos \theta - z_0 v \sin \theta) (Q_1) d\omega \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} (z_0 (a_{0x} u + a_{0y} v)) (\tilde{Q}_1) d\tau d\omega \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} (z_0 S) (\tilde{Q}_1) d\tau d\omega. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u(P) = & \frac{1}{2\pi z_0(P)} \int_0^{2\pi} (-p + z_0 u \cos \theta + z_0 v \sin \theta) (Q_1) \cos \omega d\omega \\
& + \frac{1}{2\pi z_0(P)} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} z_0 (a_{0x} u + a_{0y} v) (\tilde{Q}_1) \cos \omega d\tau d\omega \\
& + \frac{1}{2} u(Q_2) - \frac{1}{2\rho_0(P)} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} p_x(\tilde{Q}_2) d\tau \\
& + \frac{1}{2\pi z_0(P)} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} (z_0 S)(\tilde{Q}_1) \cos \omega d\tau d\omega.
\end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

The expression for  $v(P)$  is analogous.

$$S(\tilde{Q}) := a_0 \left\{ u_x(\tilde{Q}) \sin^2 \theta - (u_y(\tilde{Q}) + v_x(\tilde{Q})) \sin \theta \cos \theta + v_y(\tilde{Q}) \cos^2 \theta \right\}, \tag{15}$$

is a geometric source term.

# Approximation of the exact evolution operators

- The exact evolution operator is an implicit relation.
- It involves the time integrals of the unknown and its derivatives.
- The integrals along the Mach cone are to be simplified.
- We freeze the time integrals at  $t = t_n$  to get an explicit relation.
- The geometric source term  $S$  contains only tangential derivatives, thanks to this special structure.

# Approximate evolution operators

$$\begin{aligned} p(P) = & \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[ \int_0^{2\pi} (p - z_0(u \cos \omega + v \sin \omega))(\bar{Q}) d\omega \right. \\ & - \Delta t \int_0^{2\pi} (z_0[u \sin \omega - v \cos \omega][-\bar{a}_{0x} \sin \omega + \bar{a}_{0y} \cos \omega])(\bar{Q}) d\omega \\ & - \Delta t \int_0^{2\pi} (z_0(\bar{a}_{0x} u + \bar{a}_{0y} v))(\bar{Q}) d\omega \\ & - \gamma p_0 \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ \phi_j=j\pi/2}}^3 \frac{1}{\bar{a}_0^j} \left[ \int_{\phi_j}^{\phi_{j+1}} (u \cos \omega + v \sin \omega)(\bar{Q}) d\omega \right. \\ & \quad + (u \sin \phi_j - v \cos \phi_j)(\bar{Q}(\phi_j^+)) \\ & \quad \left. \left. - (u \sin \phi_{j+1} - v \cos \phi_{j+1})(\bar{Q}(\phi_{j+1}^-)) \right] \right] + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2) \end{aligned}$$


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& + \Delta t \int_0^{2\pi} (z_0[u \sin \omega - v \cos \omega][-\bar{a}_{0x} \sin \omega + \bar{a}_{0y} \cos \omega])(\bar{Q}) \\
& + \Delta t \int_0^{2\pi} (z_0(\bar{a}_{0x} u + \bar{a}_{0y} v))(\bar{Q}) \cos \omega d\omega \\
& + \gamma p_0 \sum_{\substack{j=0 \\ \phi_j=j\pi/2}}^3 \frac{1}{\bar{a}_0^j} \left[ \int_{\phi_j}^{\phi_{j+1}} (u(2 \cos^2 \omega - 1) + 2v \cos \omega \sin \omega)(\bar{Q}) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + (u \cos \phi_j \sin \phi_j - v \cos^2 \phi_j)(\bar{Q}(\phi_j^+)) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - (u(\cos \phi_{j+1} \sin \phi_{j+1}) - v \cos^2 \phi_{j+1})(\bar{Q}(\phi_j^-)) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

# Finite Volume Scheme

Divide a computational domain  $\Omega$  into a finite number of regular finite volumes  $\Omega_{ij} := [i\Delta x, (i+1)\Delta x] \times [j\Delta y, (j+1)\Delta y]$  for  $i = 0, \dots, M$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, N$

$$\mathbf{U}_{ij}^0 = \frac{1}{|\Omega_{ij}|} \int_{\Omega_{ij}} \mathbf{U}(\cdot, 0) d\Omega. \quad (16)$$

The update formula for the finite volume evolution Galerkin scheme is

$$\mathbf{U}_{ij}^{n+1} = \mathbf{U}_{ij}^n - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \delta_x^{ij} \bar{f}_1^{n+1/2} - \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta y} \delta_y^{ij} \bar{f}_2^{n+1/2}. \quad (17)$$

We evolve the cell interface fluxes  $\bar{f}_k^{n+1/2}$  to  $t_n + 1/2$  using the approximate evolution operator denoted by  $E_{\Delta t/2}$  and average them along the cell interface  $\mathcal{E}$

$$\bar{f}_k^{n+1/2} := \sum_j \omega_j f_k(E_{\Delta t/2} \mathbf{U}^n(\mathbf{x}^j(\mathcal{E}))), \quad k = 1, 2. \quad (18)$$

Here  $\mathbf{x}^j(\mathcal{E})$  are the nodes and  $\omega_j$  the weights of the quadrature for the flux integration along the edges.



# The algorithm

The building blocks of the FVEG scheme are

- Step 1: Polynomial reconstruction of the piecewise constant data using standard recovery procedures.
- Step 2: Discretize the flux integrals in the FV update using either Trapezoidal or Simpson rule.
- Step 3: Construct the local Mach cone at the quadrature nodes.
- Step 4: Evolve the data using the approximate evolution operator and compute fluxes at half time step.
- Step 5: Update the solution using the standard FV scheme.

## Remark

*The FVEG method is a genuine multi-dimensional generalization of Godunov's REA algorithm.*



## Smoothly varying wave speed

The computational domain is  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  and the initial conditions are

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, y) &= \sin(2\pi x) + \cos(2\pi y), \\ u(x, y) &= 0, \\ v(x, y) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The initial wave speed is

$$a_0(x, y) = 1 + \frac{1}{4} (\sin(4\pi x) + \cos(4\pi y)).$$

Periodic boundary conditions and final time is  $T = 1.0$ .

# Smoothly varying wave speed

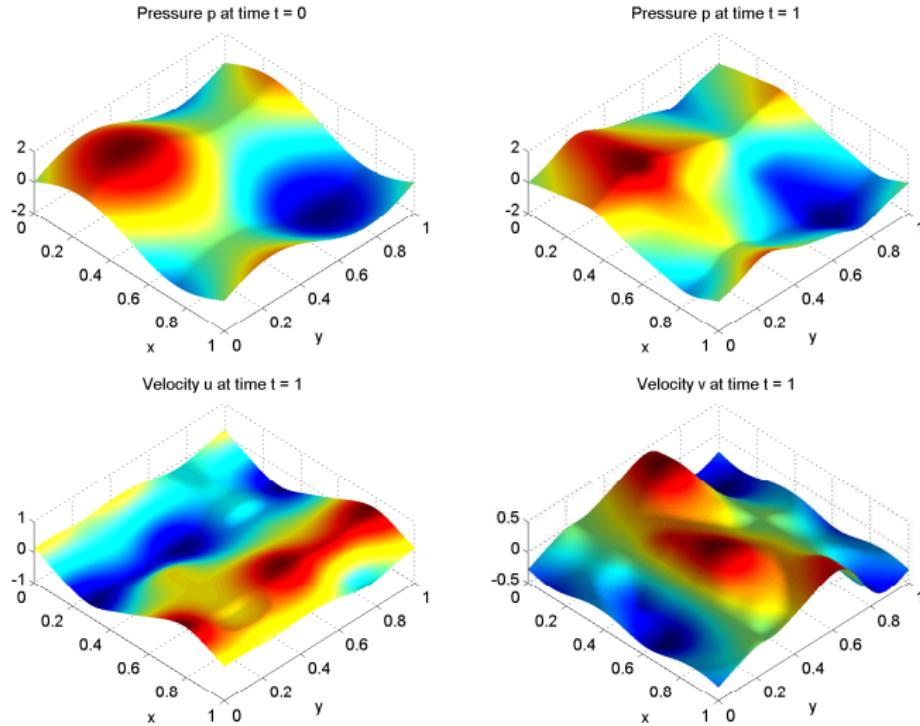


Figure: Results with a smoothly varying wave speed

## Radially symmetric wave speed

We model the wave propagation in a radially symmetric medium. The wave speed is

$$a_0(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0.175 & \text{if } r \leq 0.15, \\ 0.350 & \text{if } 0.41 < r \leq 0.59, \\ 0.275 & \text{if } 0.85 < r. \end{cases}$$

The initial pressure is given by

$$p(x, y) = \begin{cases} \bar{p}((r - 0.5)/0.18) & \text{if } |r - 0.5| < 0.18, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

$\bar{p}$  is a suitable polynomial.

# Radially symmetric

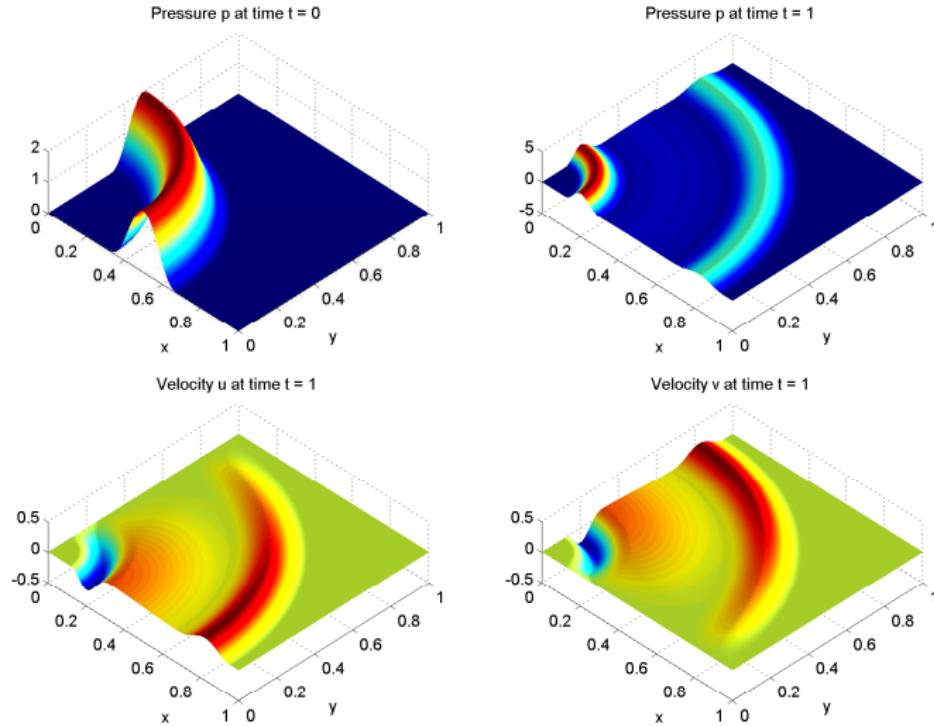


Figure: The solution corresponding to radially symmetric wave speed  $a_0$

# Heterogeneous medium with discontinuous wave speed

Propagation of acoustic waves through a layered medium with a single interface. The piecewise constant wave speed is given as

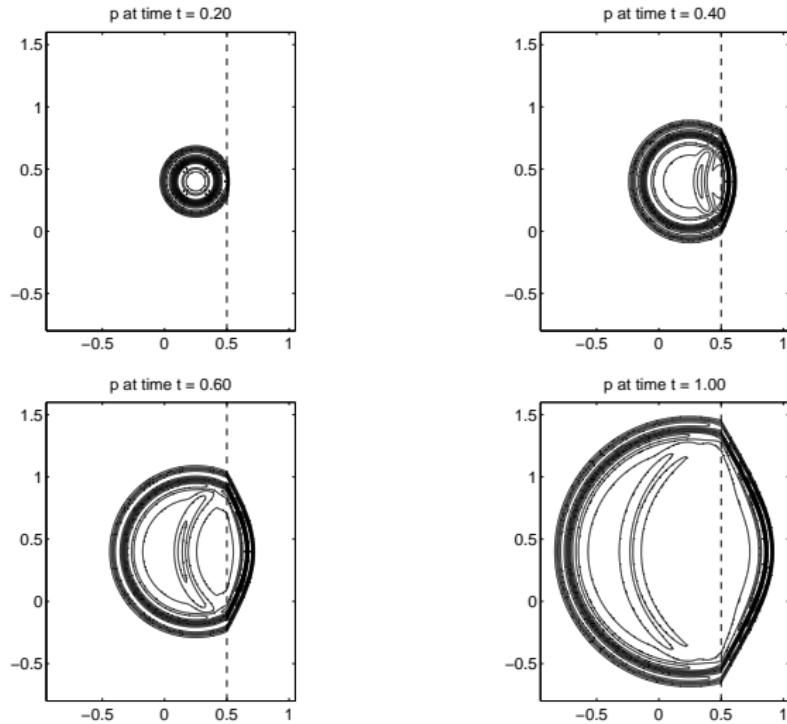
$$a_0(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1.0 & \text{if } x < 0.5, \\ 0.5 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The initial data are

$$p(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1.0 + 0.5(\cos(\pi r/0.1) - 1.0) & \text{if } r < 0.1, \\ 0.0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$u(x, y) = v(x, y) = 0.0.$$

# Heterogeneous medium



**Figure:** The pressure isolines for the reflection problem

*Thank You for Your Kind Attention!*