

## Elasticity, Equation of Motion and Wave Solutions II

Consider a case in which wave particle motions are in the same direction as the wave propagation

$$\vec{u} = u(x_1) \hat{x}_1$$

then by substitution

$$\rho \ddot{u} \hat{x}_1 = (\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla \left( \frac{du(x_1)}{dx_1} \right) - \mu \nabla \times \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ \frac{d}{dx_1} & \frac{d}{dx_2} & \frac{d}{dx_3} \\ u(x_1) & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\rho \ddot{u} \hat{x}_1 = (\lambda + 2\mu) \frac{d^2 u}{dx_1^2} \hat{x}_1$$

$$\ddot{u} \hat{x}_1 = \alpha^2 \frac{d^2 u}{dx_1^2} \hat{x}_1$$

Suppose a wave has particle motions that are perpendicular to the direction of propagation

$$\vec{u} = u(x_1) \hat{x}_2$$

then by substitution

$$\rho \ddot{u} \hat{x}_2 = (\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla \left( \frac{\partial u(x_1)}{\partial x_2} \right) - \mu \nabla \times \begin{pmatrix} i & j & k \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \\ 0 & u(x_1) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= -\mu \nabla \times \left( \frac{\partial u(x_1)}{\partial x_1} \hat{x}_3 \right)$$

$$= -\mu \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x_3} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\partial u(x_1)}{\partial x_1} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \mu \frac{\partial u(x_1)}{\partial x_1^2} \hat{x}_2$$

$$\ddot{u} \hat{x}_2 = \beta^2 \frac{\partial u(x_1)}{\partial x_1^2} \hat{x}_2$$

## Helmholtz Decomposition

$$\rho \ddot{\vec{u}} = \vec{F} + (\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{u}) - \mu \nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{u} \quad \mathbf{1}$$

$$\vec{u} = \nabla \phi + \nabla \times \vec{\Psi} \quad \mathbf{2}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{\Psi} = 0$$

$$\vec{\Psi} = \langle 0, \Omega, \chi \rangle$$

$\phi, \Omega, \chi$ , are scalar displacement potential functions. Application of the above relationships to the vector wave equation results in three separated scalar wave equations for P, SV and SH waves

Substitution of 2 into 1

$$\nabla \ddot{\phi} + \nabla \times \ddot{\vec{\psi}} = \alpha^2 \nabla (\nabla \cdot (\nabla \phi + \nabla \times \vec{\psi})) - \beta^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times (\nabla \phi + \nabla \times \vec{\psi})$$

$$[\nabla \ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \nabla (\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi)] + [\nabla \times \ddot{\vec{\psi}} + \beta^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{\psi}] = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \vec{u} = \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{u}) - \nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{u}$$

$$\nabla \times (\nabla u) = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{u}) = 0$$

## S-waves

$$\nabla \times \ddot{\vec{\psi}} + \beta^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{\psi} = 0$$

$$\ddot{\vec{\psi}} + \beta^2 [\nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{\psi}) - \nabla^2 \vec{\psi}] = 0$$

$$\ddot{\vec{\psi}} - \nabla^2 \vec{\psi} = 0$$

$$\ddot{\Omega} - \beta^2 \nabla^2 \Omega = 0 \quad \text{SV waves}$$

$$\ddot{\chi} - \beta^2 \nabla^2 \chi = 0 \quad \text{SH waves}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{u} &= \nabla \phi + \nabla \times \vec{\Psi} \\ &= \nabla \phi + \nabla \times \langle 0, \Omega, \chi \rangle \end{aligned}$$

## P-waves

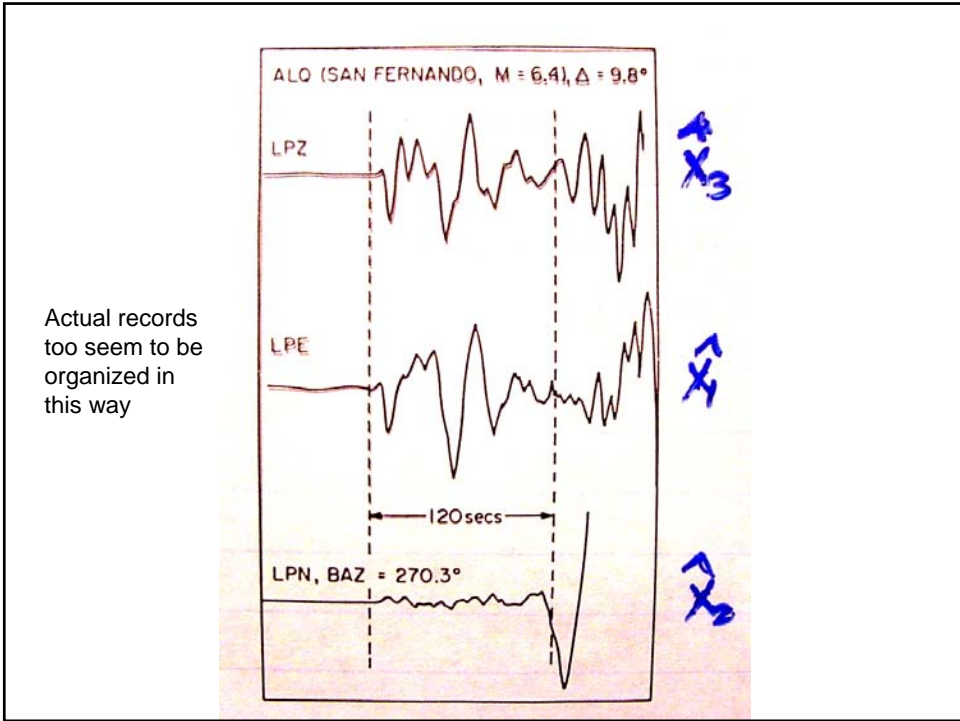
$$\nabla \ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \nabla (\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi) = 0$$

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- Why go to such trouble?
  - Solutions to scalar wave equations are simpler.
- What has been assumed?
  - Homogeneous media leading to 1D boundary value problems
- How is vector motion found?
  - Solve each scalar wave equation separately and then combine using Helmholtz equation



## Different Coordinate Systems

$$\ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \nabla^2 \phi = 0$$

Cartesian Geometry

$$\phi(\bar{x}, t) = f\left(t - \frac{\bar{x}}{\alpha}\right) + g\left(t + \frac{\bar{x}}{\alpha}\right)$$

General solutions  
Specific solutions are harmonic functions  
This geometry is used for local to regional scale 3D wave propagation problems

$$\ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2} \right] = 0$$

Cylindrical Geometry

$$\phi(\bar{x}, t) = \frac{f\left(t - \frac{R}{\alpha}\right)}{R}$$

General Solution  
Specific solutions are Bessel functions

It is useful to think of  $f(t - R/\alpha)$  as  $f(t) * \delta(t - R/\alpha)$

This geometry is often used for 1D wave propagation problems

## Different Coordinate Systems

$$\ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \left[ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} \right) \right) \right] = 0 \quad \text{Spherical Geometry}$$

$$\phi(\bar{x}, t) = \frac{f(t - r/\alpha)}{r} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{General Solution} \\ \text{Specific solutions are Legendre polynomials} \end{array}$$

This coordinate system is used for whole Earth scale problems

## Solutions to Scalar Wave Equations

$$\ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \nabla^2 \phi = 0$$

$$\phi(x_1, t) = X(x_1)T(t)$$

$$X(x_1) \frac{d^2 T}{dt^2} = \alpha^2 T(t) \frac{d^2 X}{dx_1^2} = -\omega^2$$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dt^2} + \omega^2 T = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 X}{dx_1^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{\alpha^2} X = 0$$

$$T(t) = b e^{\pm i \omega t}$$

$$X(x_1) = c e^{\pm i k x_1} \quad k = \frac{\omega}{\alpha}$$

$$\phi(x_1, t) = A e^{\pm i(\omega t + k x_1)}$$

$$\phi(\vec{x}, t) = Ae^{i(\pm\omega t \pm \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} + \varepsilon)}$$

$$\vec{k} = k_1 \hat{x}_1 + k_2 \hat{x}_2 + k_3 \hat{x}_3 = \langle k_1, k_2, k_3 \rangle$$

$$\|\vec{k}\| = \sqrt{k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2} = \frac{\omega}{\alpha}$$

### Green's Function Solution

$$\ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \nabla^2 \phi = -4\pi\alpha^2 \delta(x)\delta(y)\delta(z)\delta(t)$$

$$\left[ \frac{s^2}{\alpha^2} + (k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2) \right] \tilde{\phi} = -4\pi$$

$$\phi(\vec{x}, s) = \frac{-4\pi}{8\pi^3} \iiint \frac{e^{ik_x x} \cdot e^{ik_y y} \cdot e^{ik_z z}}{\left[ \frac{s^2}{\alpha^2} + (k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2) \right]} dk_x dk_y dk_z$$

$$\phi(r, z, s) = \int_0^{\infty} J_0(k_r r) e^{-\gamma z} \frac{k_r}{\gamma} = \frac{e^{-Rs/\alpha}}{R}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \delta\left(t - \frac{R}{\alpha}\right) \frac{1}{R} e^{-st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \delta(\tau) \frac{1}{R} e^{-s(\tau + R/\alpha)} d\tau = \frac{e^{-sR/\alpha}}{R}$$

## Behavior of Plane Wave Solutions

$$\ddot{\phi} - \alpha^2 \nabla^2 \phi = 0$$

$$\phi(\vec{x}, t) = A e^{i(\pm \omega t \pm \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x} + \varepsilon)}$$

Solutions found by substitution, Fourier Transforms, separation of variables

$$\omega^2 - \alpha^2 (k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2) = 0$$

Substitution into scalar wave equation yields dispersion relation

$$k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{\alpha^2}$$

Vector displacement motions are obtained from the Helmholtz equation

$$\nabla \phi = \vec{k} \phi$$

$$\vec{u} = \nabla \phi + \nabla \times \vec{\Psi}$$

$$\vec{k} = \|\vec{k}\| \hat{k} = \frac{\omega}{\alpha} \hat{k}$$

$$= \nabla \phi + \nabla \times \langle 0, \Omega, \chi \rangle$$



constant phase plane wave has wave fronts defined by

$$\pm \omega t \pm k_1 x_1 \pm k_2 x_2 \pm k_3 x_3 = C$$

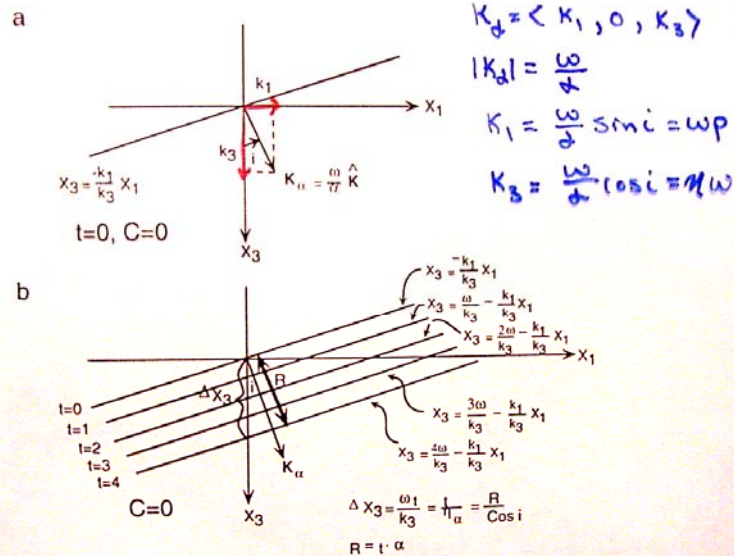
\* sign determines the direction of propagation

e.g. in the  $\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_3$  plane

$$\omega t - k_1 x_1 - k_3 x_3 = C$$

$$t = \frac{[C + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3]}{\omega}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{\omega t}{k_3} - \frac{k_1}{k_3} x_1$$



**FIGURE 2.11** (a) The projection of the wavefront defined by  $t=0, C=0$  in the  $x_1, x_3$  plane and the associated wavenumber vector  $k_{\alpha}$ . (b) Variation of the position of a wavefront of constant phase ( $C=0$ ) for increasing time,  $t$ . The distance that the wavefront moves after time  $t$  is  $R = \alpha t$ .

## Plane Wave Displacement Motions

P-waves:

$$u_p = \nabla \phi$$

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Note that the gradient of a scalar field also gives the direction that the wave is traveling

For the  $x_1 x_3$  problem

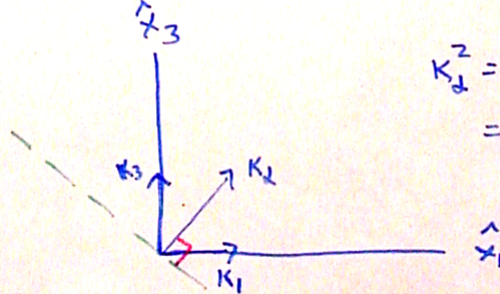
$$\phi(\vec{x}, t) = e^{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)}$$

$$u_p(\vec{x}, t) = (i k_1 \hat{x}_1 + i k_3 \hat{x}_3) e^{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)}$$

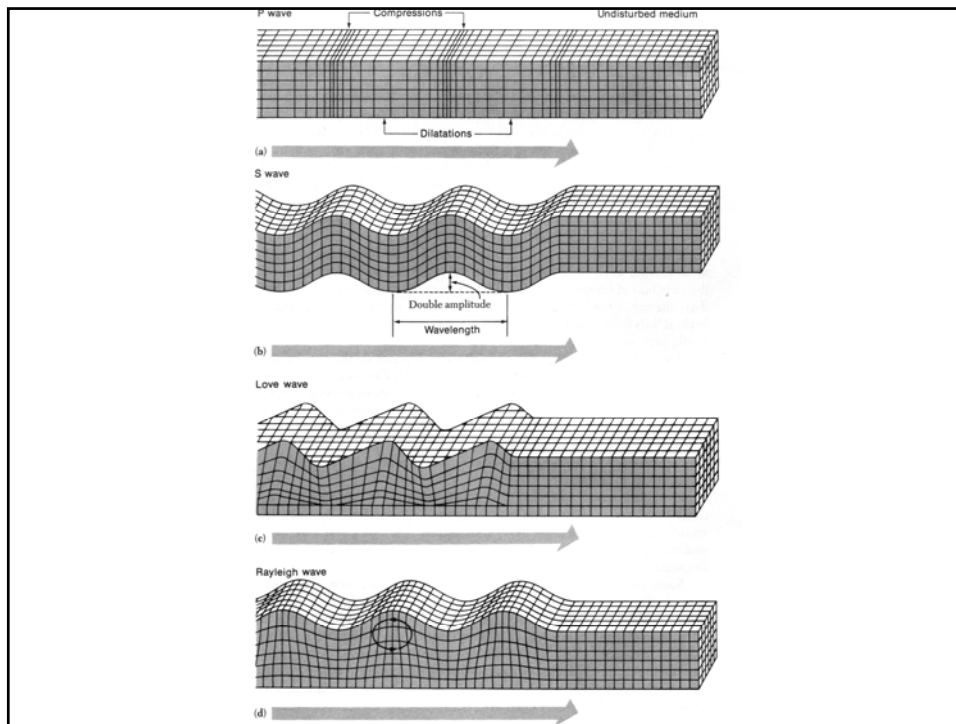
The ratio of horizontal to vertical motions is then

$$\frac{u_1}{u_3} = \frac{k_1}{k_3} \Rightarrow u_3 = \frac{k_3}{k_1} u_1$$

$$k_d^2 = k_1^2 + k_3^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{\alpha^2}$$



Wave front of constant phase at  $T=0$



SV-waves

$$\Omega(\vec{x}, t) = A e^{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)}$$

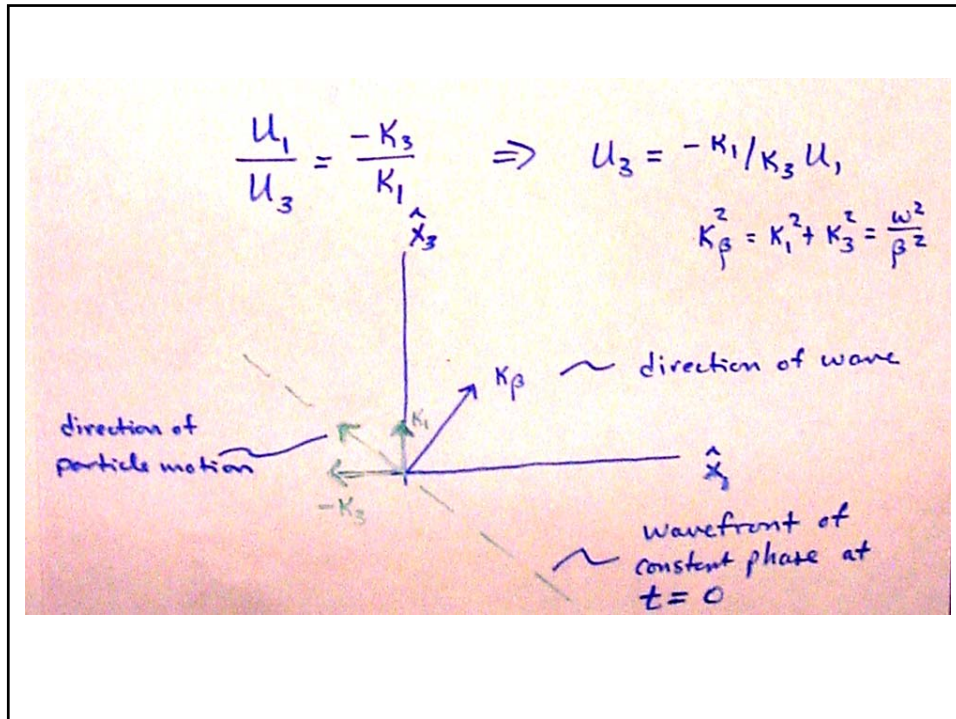
$$\text{direction } \nabla \Omega = \underbrace{\langle i k_1, 0, i k_3 \rangle}_{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)} A e^{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)}$$

Particle motions are:

$$U_{SV}(\vec{x}, t) = \nabla \times \langle 0, \Omega, 0 \rangle$$

$$= \nabla \times \left\langle \frac{-\partial \Omega}{\partial x_3}, 0, \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial x_1} \right\rangle$$

$$= A \langle -i k_3, 0, i k_1 \rangle e^{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)}$$



SH waves

$$\chi = Ae^{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)}$$

direction  $\propto \nabla \chi$

Particle motions,  $u_{SH} = \nabla \chi \langle 0, 0, \chi \rangle$

$$= \left\langle \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial x_2}, \frac{\partial \chi}{\partial x_1}, 0 \right\rangle$$

$$= A \langle 0, -ik_1, 0 \rangle e^{i(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)}$$

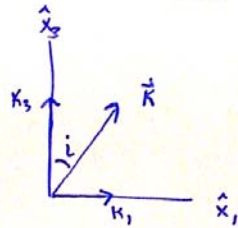
$$= A k_1 \sin(\omega t + k_1 x_1 + k_3 x_3)$$

since  $e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$

Another very useful notation

Given:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(\vec{x}, t) &= A e^{i(\omega t - k_1 x_1 - k_3 x_3)} \\ &= A e^{i\omega(t - \frac{k_1}{\omega} x_1 - \frac{k_3}{\omega} x_3)} \\ &= A e^{i\omega(t - p x_1 - \eta x_3)}\end{aligned}$$



$$K = \langle k_1, 0, k_3 \rangle$$

$$|K| = \omega/v$$

$$k_1 = |K| \sin i = \frac{\omega}{v} \sin i$$

$$k_3 = |K| \cos i = \frac{\omega}{v} \cos i$$

$$\frac{k_1}{\omega} = \frac{\sin i}{v} = p$$

$$\frac{k_3}{\omega} = \frac{\cos i}{v} = \eta$$

For an initial phase of zero

$$t - p x - \eta z = 0$$

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$$t = p x + \eta z$$

arrival  
time

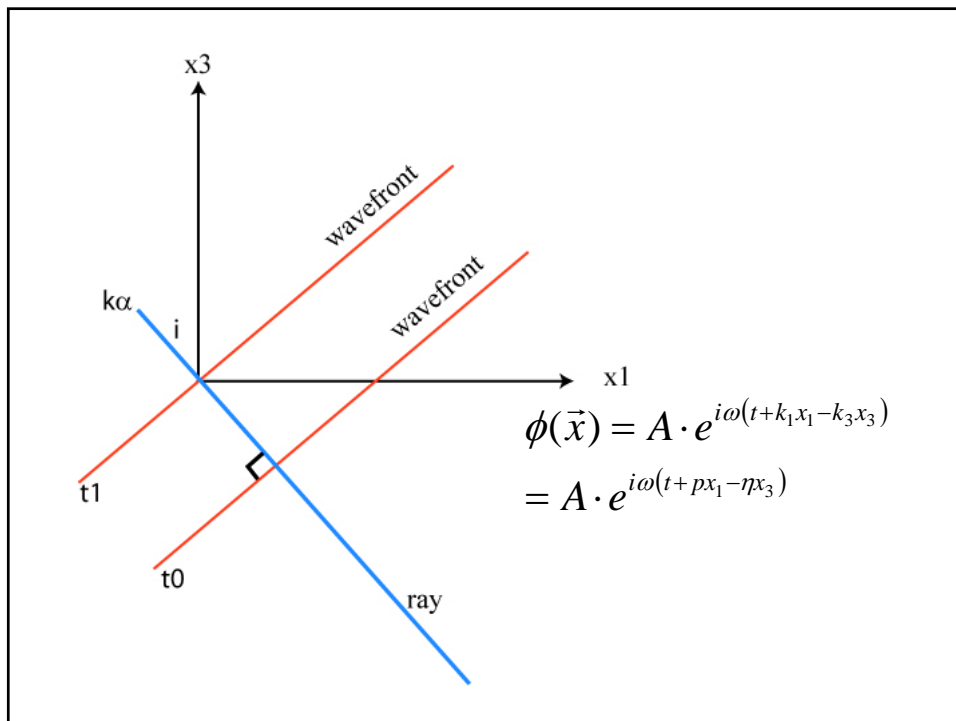
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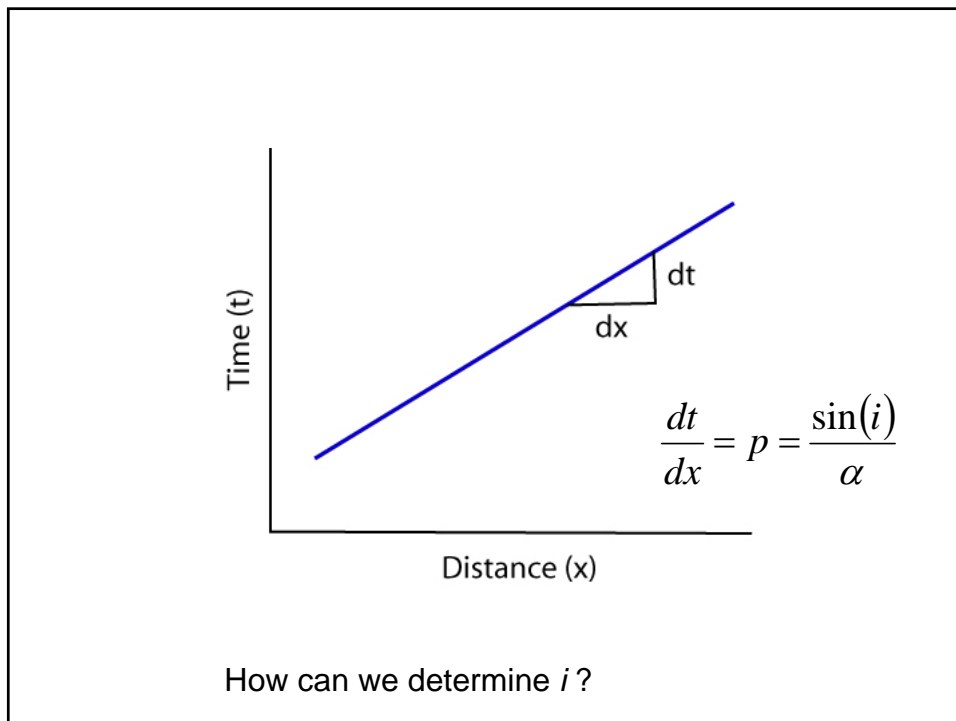
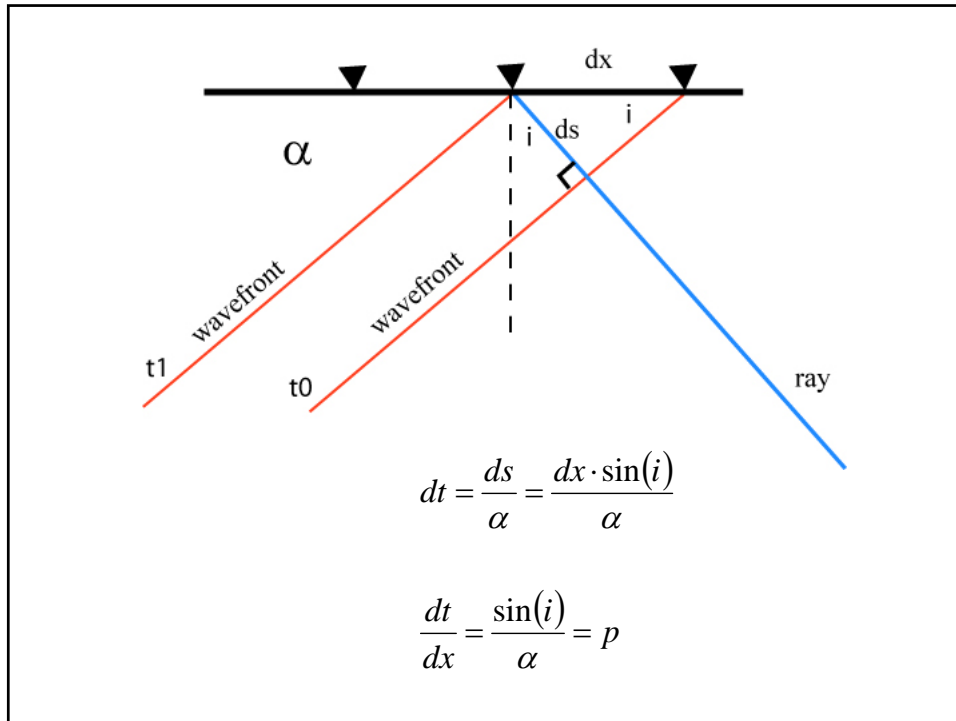
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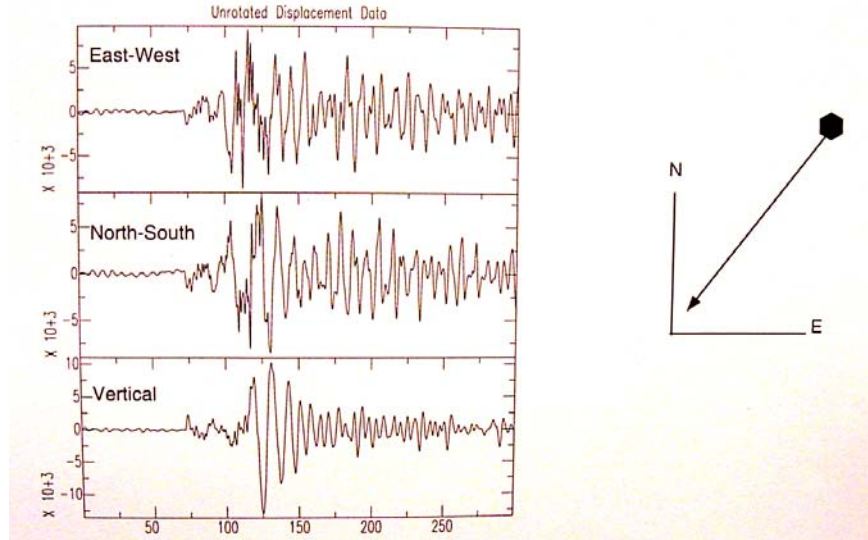
## Exercise

- How can we define an experiment making use of plane wave theory to determine the velocity of the Earth's surface?
  - Assume a teleseismic (greater than 3000 km) plane wave arrival.
  - What can we measure?
  - How can we determine  $\alpha$ ?





### Three-Components in Geographic Coordinate System



### Three-Components in Rotated Coordinate System

