

Scattering from microbubble clouds: A fast multipole model with experimental validation

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Motivation

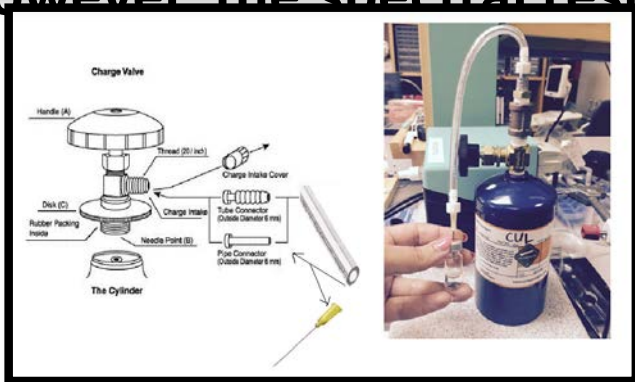
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However, the spectral response can be difficult to interpret

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Simulation Approach

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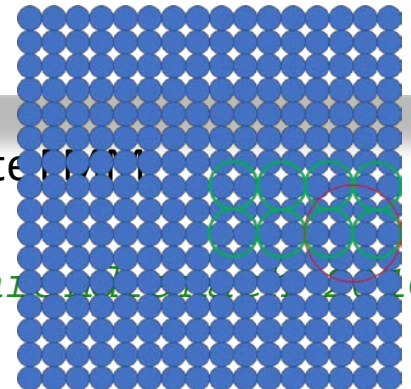
- ✓ Complexity reduced from $O(N^2)$ to $O(\log(1/u)N)$
- ✓ Single solution valid for arbitrary incident field
- ☹ Monochromatic
- ☹ Scatterers are non-compressible

Modified Rayleigh Plesset*:

- ✓ Accurate under controlled conditions
- ✓ Straightforward implementation
- ☹ Oscillations symmetric
- ☹ Bubbles don't translate
- ☹ Driven only by primary wave

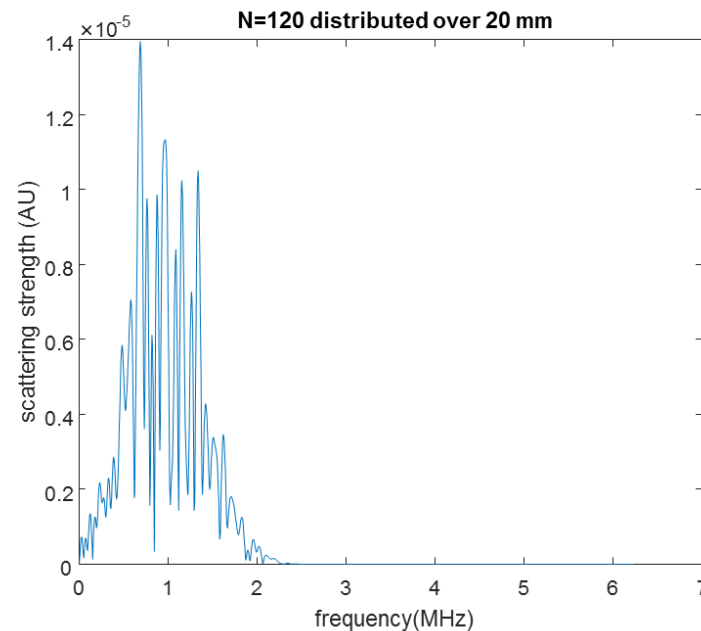
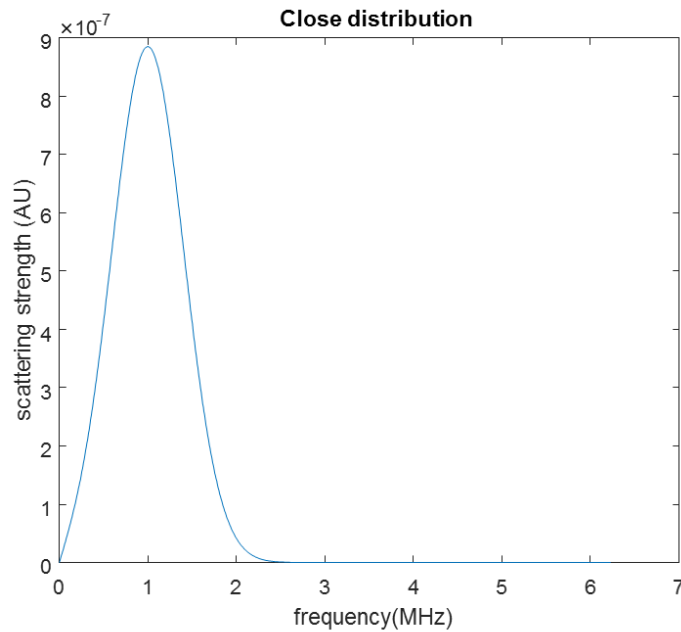
Quasi static: Simulate FMM – Time step RP, update FMM

*A.D. Nair, *Nature*, 2016



Example Application

Dependence on spatial distribution, uniform field



Summary

- Simulations predict backscattering spectra that correlates with experiments over microbubble size and concentration
- Ongoing work seeks develop it the approach into a tool for interpreting signals for passive acoustic mapping of bubbles and others.
- FMM may find further utility in modeling general heterogeneous media

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