

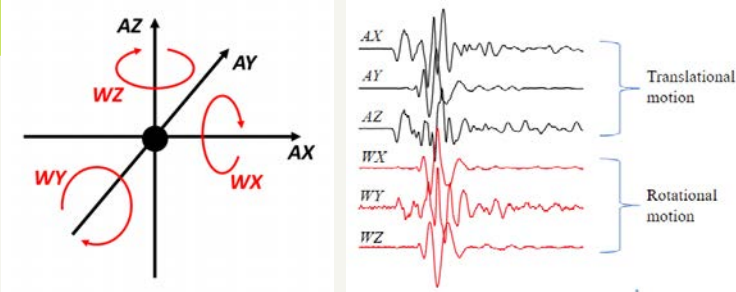
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6C Sensor

6C Sensors for Velocity Profiling and Void or Buried Object Detection

Rotational Seismology using Six Components (6C) of Motion



Rotational displacement field: $\vec{\Omega} = \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \vec{u}$

\vec{u} : displacement field.
 \vec{k} : wavenumber vector;
 $\vec{p} = \frac{\vec{k}}{|\vec{k}|}$: propagation direction vector;
 ω : angular frequency;
 c : wave propagation velocity.

In the wavenumber domain, $\vec{\Omega} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{k} \times \vec{u} = \frac{i\omega}{2c} \vec{p} \times \vec{u}$
 $\rightarrow \vec{\Omega} = \frac{1}{2} \vec{k} \times \vec{u} = -\frac{1}{2c} \vec{p} \times \vec{u}$

For near surface seismic problems, the wavefield \vec{u} is dominated by surface wave, so we can assume that \vec{u} and $\vec{\Omega}$ correspond to the acceleration and rotational velocity of the surface wavefield. For Rayleigh wave, its phase velocity can be immediately obtained as

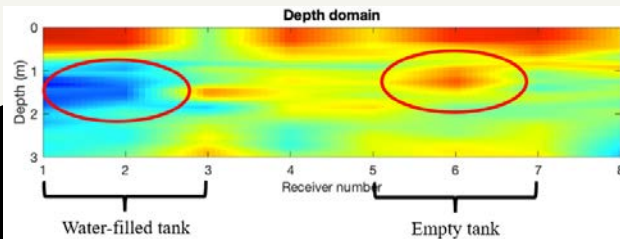
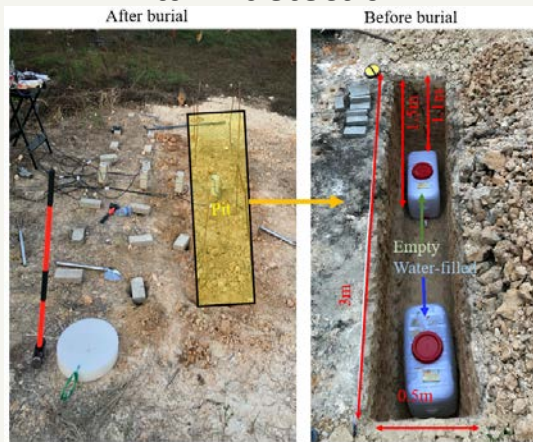
$$c = c(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{u_z^2}{\Omega_x^2 + \Omega_y^2}}$$

When linear displacement and rotational displacement are measured by a ground-motion sensor, the subsurface velocity profile below the sensor is revealed.



Identifying objects and voids with 6C velocity profiling

1. Air-filled vs water-filled buried tank detection



2. Buried pipe detection

