



Cavity cloud generated by seismic air-gun arrays – comparing video recordings to modeling

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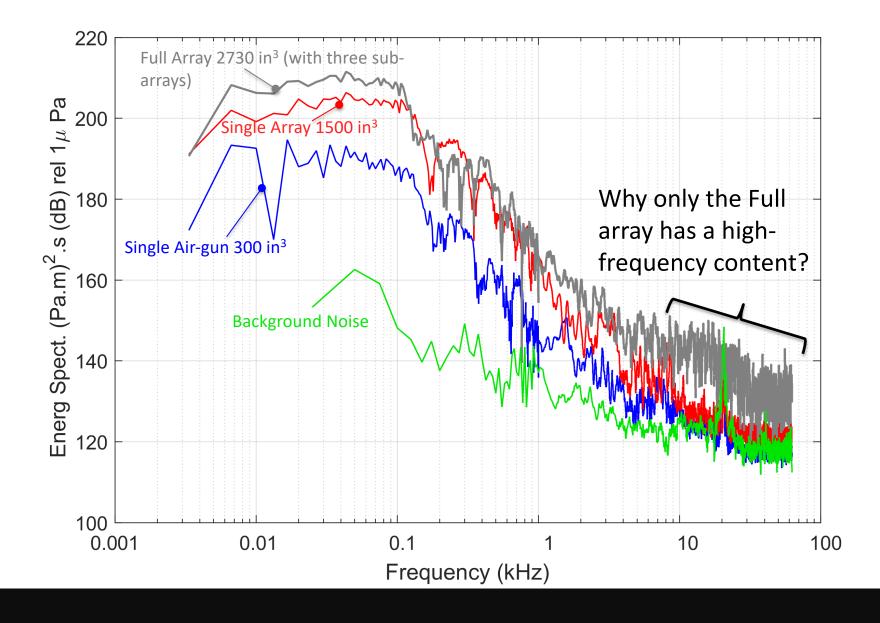


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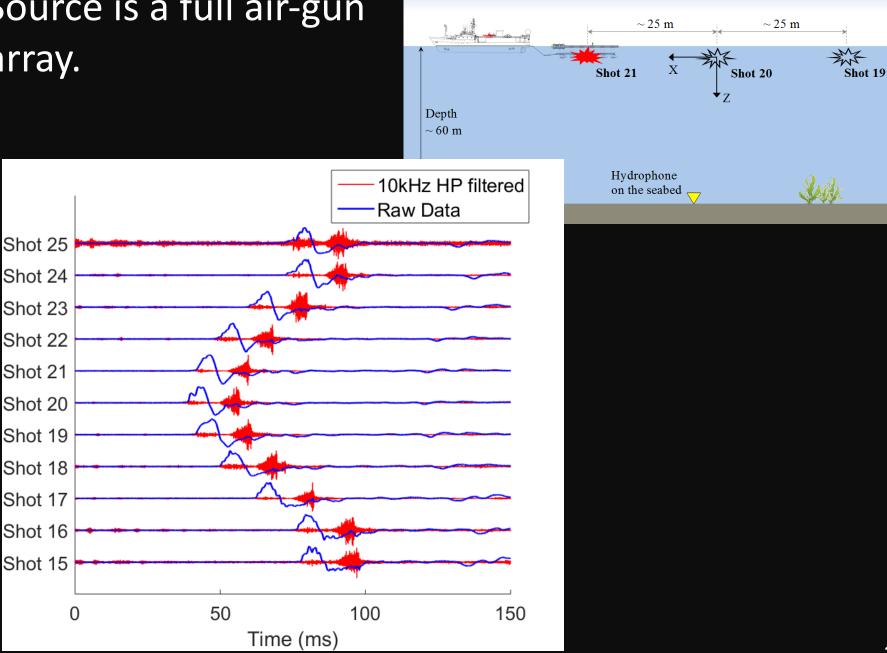
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Field Measurement with a Broad-band Hydrophone (125 kHz):

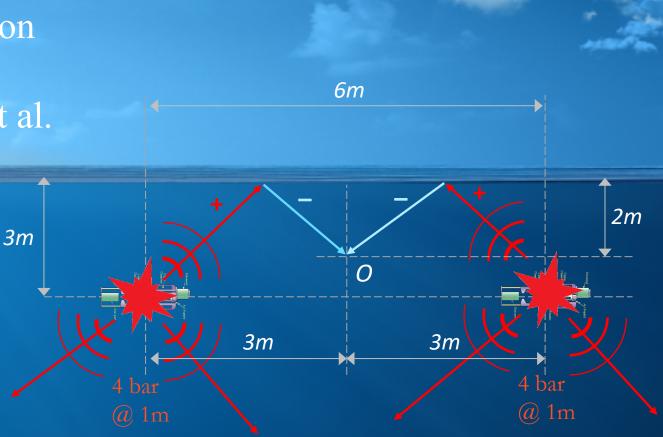


Source is a full air-gun array.



Underlying mechanism for high-frequencies (>10 kHz) in seismic air-gun arrays?

Ghost cavitation hypothesis by Martin Landrø et al. (2011)



Pressure at point O: (-0.65) + (-0.65) + 1.2 = -0.1 bar!

Ghost Cavitation Cloud Modeling Technique:

Where and When?

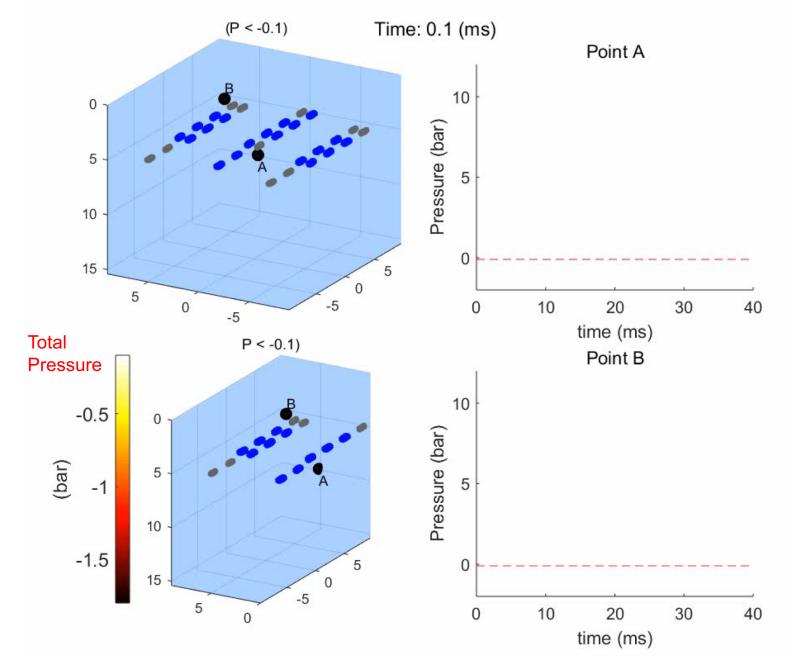
Individual Cavity Signatures

Propagation of Cavities

Superposition of Cavities

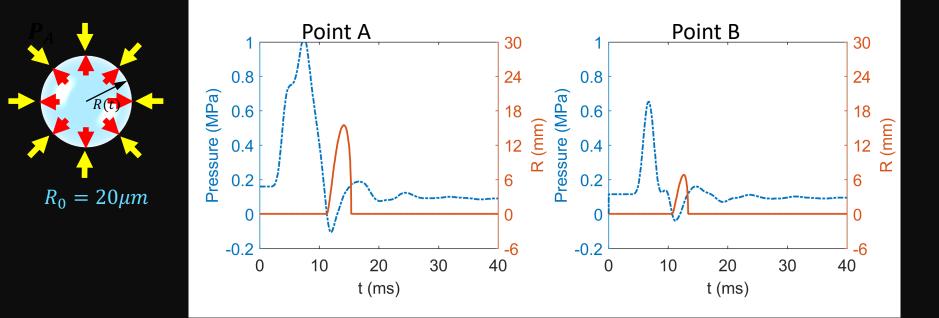
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Estimating pressure around a seismic air-gun array:



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Response of a microbubble to the pressure variations at points A and B:

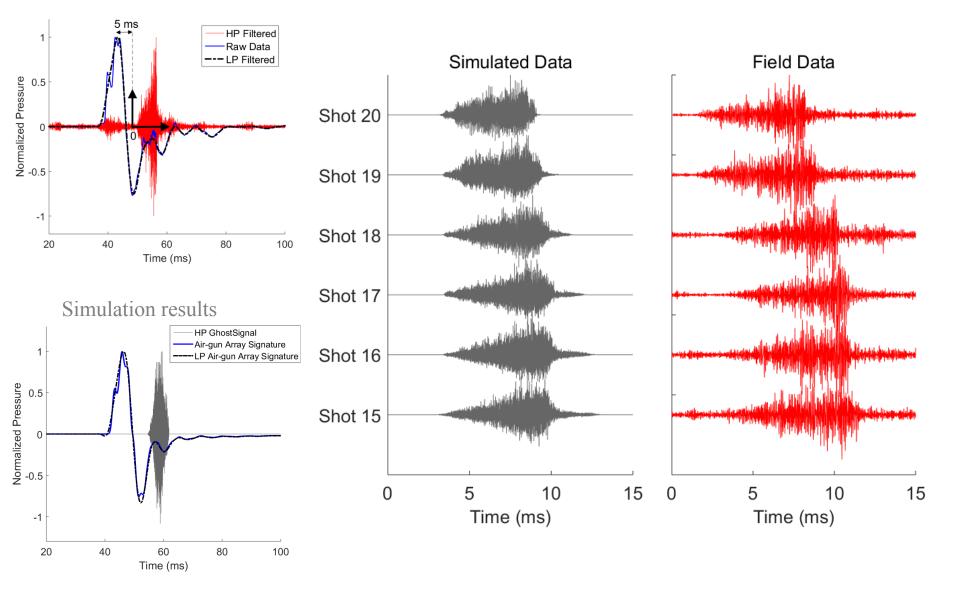


Bubble dynamics equation (Prosperetti and Lezzi, 1986):

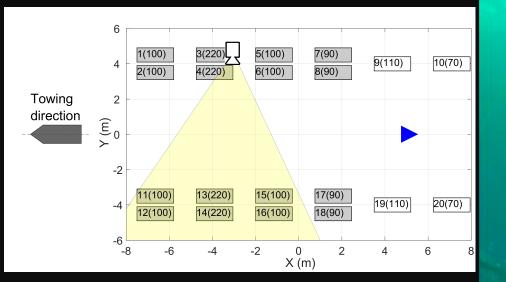
$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{c}\frac{dR}{dt}\right)R\frac{d^2R}{dt^2} + \frac{4\mu}{\rho c}\frac{d^2R}{dt^2} = -\frac{3}{2}\left(1 - \frac{1}{3c}\frac{dR}{dt}\right)\left(\frac{dR}{dt}\right)^2$$
$$-\frac{1}{\rho R}\left[2\sigma + 4\mu\frac{dR}{dt}\right] + \frac{1}{\rho}\left(1 + \frac{1}{c}\frac{dR}{dt}\right)\left[P_i(t) - P\right] + \frac{R}{\rho c}\frac{dP_i(t)}{dt}$$

R(t): the time dependent radius of the cavity, ρ, c : density and sound speed of undisturbed water, μ : is the dynamic viscosity of water. σ : water surface tension P_i : The pressure inside the cavity, P: external pressure

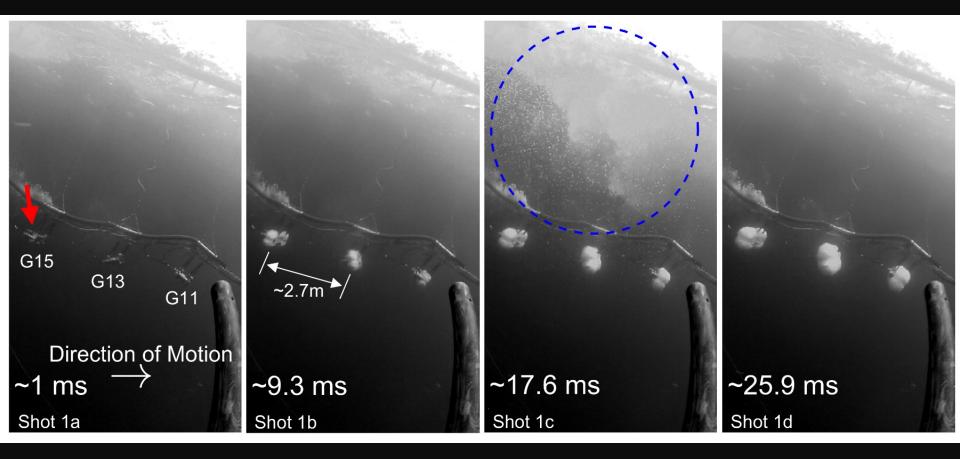
Field measurement



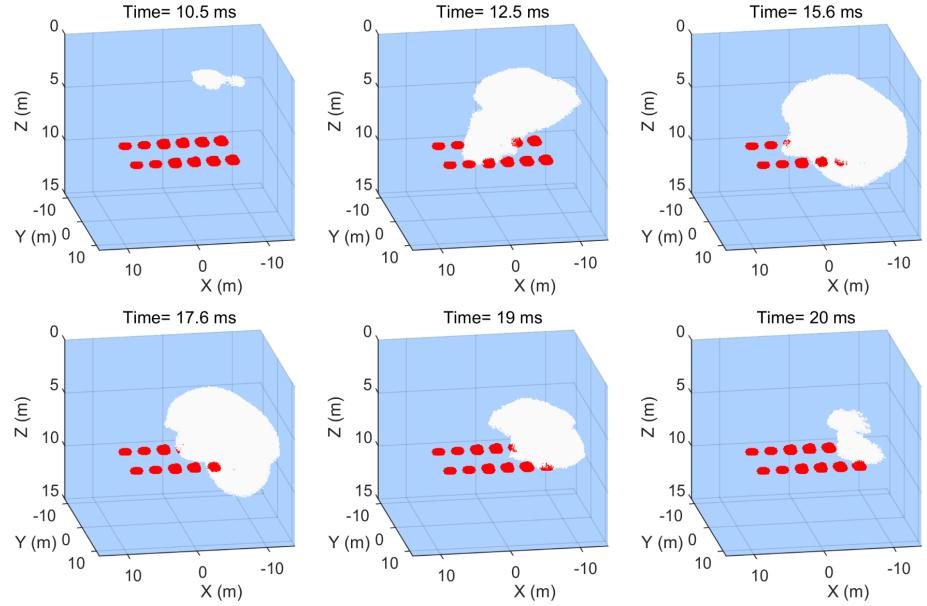
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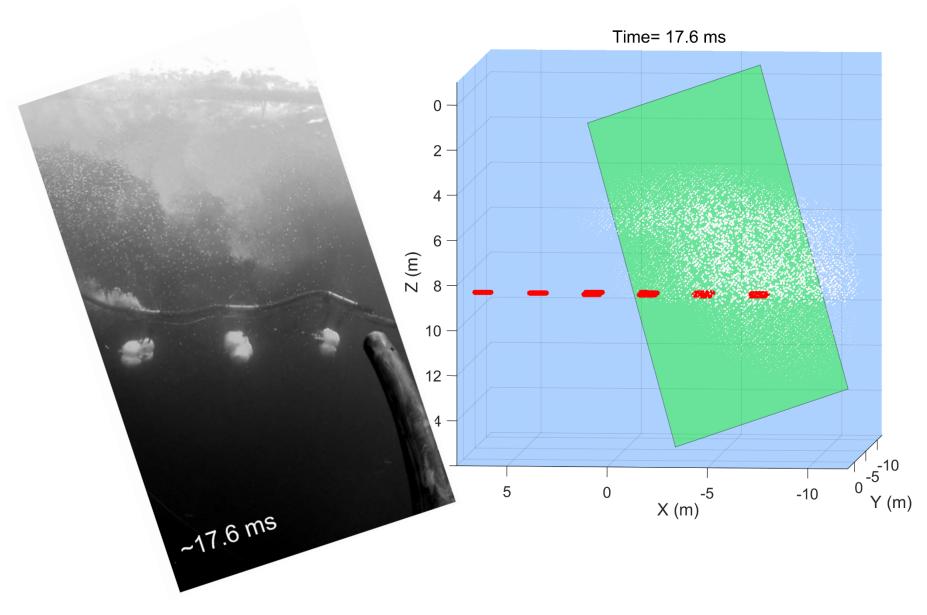


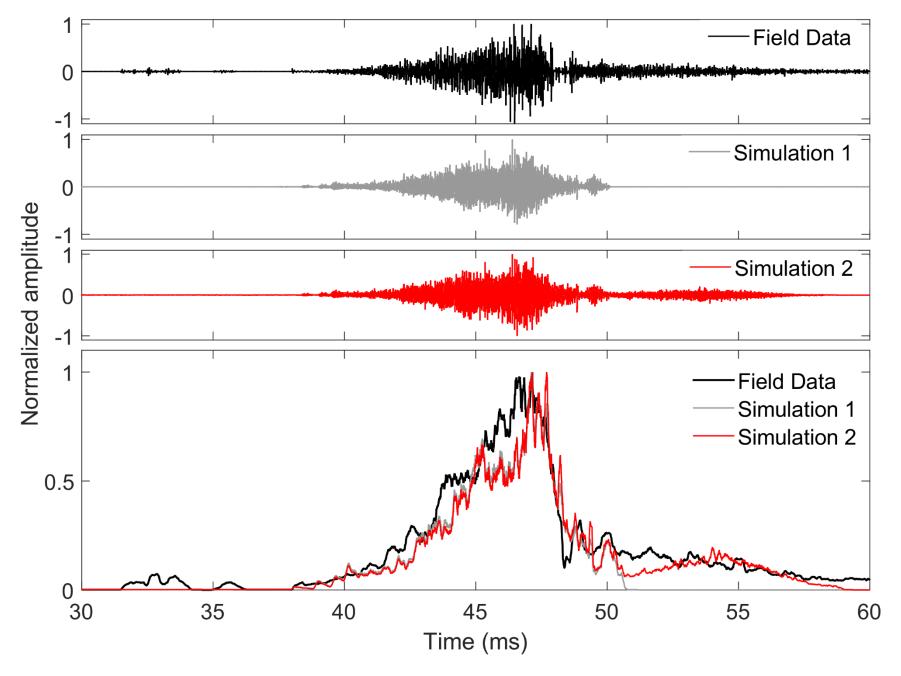
Gun 15 & 16 Gun 13 & 14 Gun 11 & 12



Modeled Cavity cloud:







Khodabandeloo, B., and Landrø, M., Acoustically induced cavity cloud generated by air-gun arrays– comparing video recordings and acoustic data to modeling. Submitted to *The Journal of the Acoustical Society of America*.

Conclusions



The first convincing photographic evidence of ghost-induced cavitation

Reliable modeling technique for ghost cavitation phenomenon.

Ongoing research

Acoustic properties within the cavity cloud

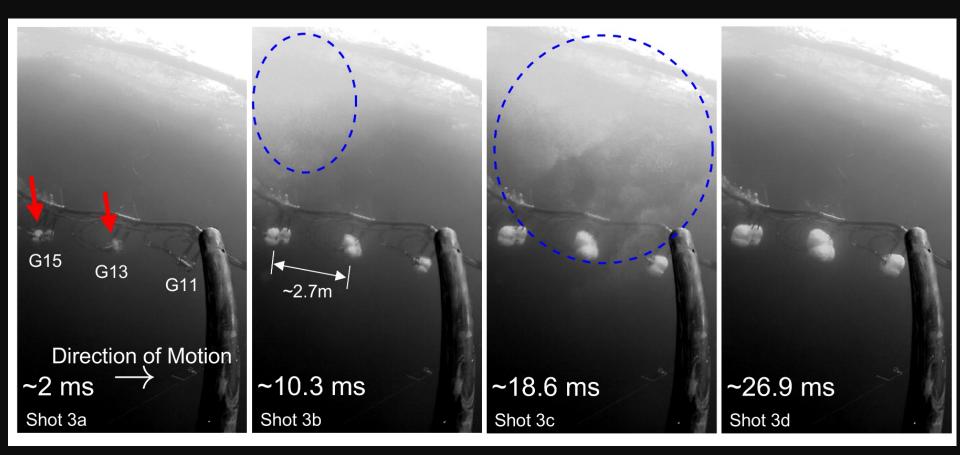
Future work:

Calibrating the numerical model

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Modeled Cavity cloud (all air-gun activated simultaneously):

