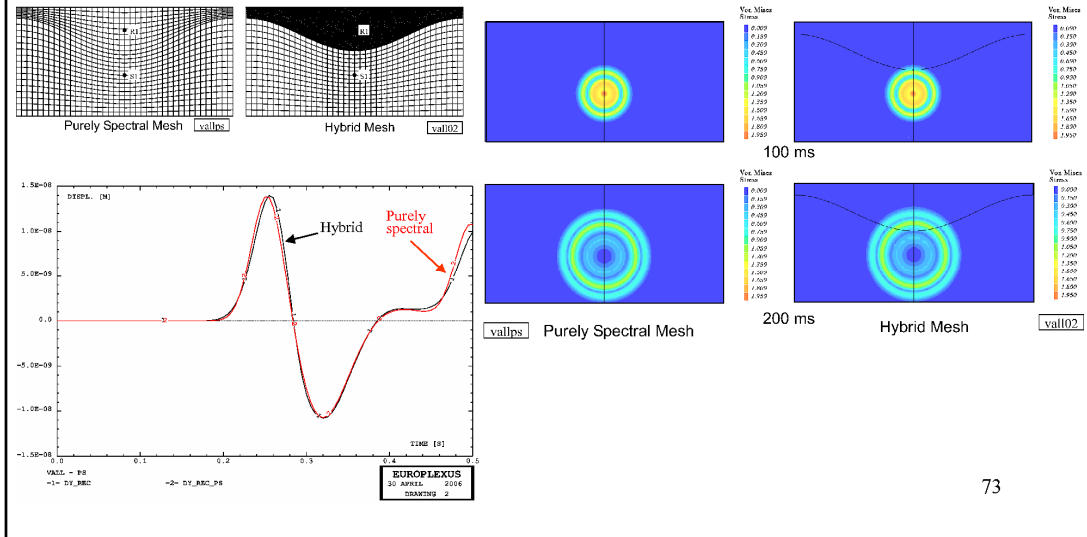


# Example 10 – Sediment valley

- Verification of coupling algorithm - sediment valley test:



## Problem description:

This example represents the propagation of a seismic wave in a sediment valley. The wave is generated at the centre of the region, while a “receiver” (displacement transducer) is located at a certain height over the source.

The bedrock, containing the source, is modelled by spectral elements, while the sediment valley may either be meshed by finite elements (hybrid solution), or by spectral elements (purely spectral solution).

By comparing the two solutions, an assessment of the quality of FE/SE coupling is obtained.

## Numerical Solutions

### VALL02

This calculation assumes a hybrid mesh composed of 320 macro spectral elements, 5120 micro spectral elements and 3035 finite elements. The coupling between FE and SE regions along the closed square interface is realized by means of the LINK COUP FESE directive.

The mesh generation file is:

```
*%siz 50
*
opti echo 0;
opti donn 'D:\Users\Folco\Plexia3c\Proc\pxleg2.proc';
opti donn 'D:\Users\Folco\Plexia3c\Proc\pxspect2.proc';
opti donn 'D:\Users\Folco\Plexia3c\Proc\pxpdrol1.proc';
opti echo 1;
*
opti dime 2 elem qua4;
opti titr 'VALL - 02';
*
p0=0 0;
p1=500 0;
p2=0 300;

p3=500 450;
p4=0 500;
p5=500 500;
n=4;
tol=0.01;
tol2=0.1;
*
i=0; repe lab1 20;
i=i+1;
*
xi = 25. * i;
yy = cos( xi * 180. / 500.);
yi = 375. - (75. * yy);
pt1 = xi yi;
```

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      si (ega i 1);
      c1 = d 1 p2 pti;
      sinon;
      c1 = c1 d 1 pti;
      fin si;
    *
  fin lab1;
  elim tol (c1 et p3);
  *
  c2 = p3 d 16 p1;
  c3 = p1 d 20 p0;
  c4 = p0 d 16 p2;
  *
  sm = dall c1 c2 c3 c4 plan;
  *
  sem = pxspect2 sm n tol;
  *
  p2p=p2 plus p0;
  p3p=p3 plus p0;
  *
  i=0; repe lab2 20;
  i=i + 1;
  *
  xi = 25. * i;
  yy = cos( xi * 180. / 500.);
  yi = 375. - (75. * yy);
  pti = xi yi;
  si (ega i 1);
  c1p = d 4 p2p pti;
  sinon;
  c1p = c1p d 4 pti;
  fin si;
  *
  fin lab2;
  elim tol (c1p et p3p);
  *
  c2p = p3p d 5 p5;
  c3p = p5 d 80 p4;

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c4p = p4 d 20 p2p;
opti elem tri3;
fem = surf (c1p et c2p et c3p et c4p) plan;
*
ptiold=p2;
i=0; repe lab3 20;
i=i + 1;
*
xi = 25. * i;
yy = cos( xi * 180. / 500.);
yi = 375. - (75. * yy);
pti = xi yi;
si (i ega 1);
nods = pxpdroi1 sem ptiold pti tol2;
sinon;
nods = nods et (pxpdroi1 sem ptiold pti tol2);
fin si;
ptiold = pti;
*
fin lab3;
nodf=c1p;
*
tpln=0.0 400.0;
elim tol (tpln et fem);
*
blxs = pxpdroi1 sem p0 p2 tol2;
blxf = c4p;
*
trac (fem et sem);
*
mesh = fem et sem et sm et nodf et nods et tpln et blxs et blxf;
*
tass mesh;
*
opti sauv form 'vall02.msh';
sauv form mesh;
fin;

```

## The input file is:

```

VALL - 02
$
ECHO
$VERI
!CONV win
CAST MESH
DPLA NONL
$
DIME
PT2L 6876 MS24 320 S24 5120 TRIA 3035 ZONE 3
TERM
$
GEOM MS24 sm S24 sem TRIA fem TERM
$
MATE LINE RO 2500. YOUN 1.501196172E9 NU 0.200956938
LECT sm fem TERM
$
LINK COUP
CONT SPLA NX 1.0 NY 0.0 LECT blxf blxs TERM
FESE FPOD LECT nodf TERM
SNOD LECT nods TERM
CHAR SPEC POIN BET PRES
SOUR BETA 200.0
AMP 10.0
TO 0.01
X 0.0 Y 200.0
ALFA 20.0

```

```

$
ECRI DEPL VITE ACCE FINT FEXT TFRE 0.5
FICH ALIC FREQ 5
$
OPTI PAS UTIL NOTE
LOG 1
$
CALC TINI 0. TEND 0.5d0 PASF 1.00D-3
*****
SUIT
Post-treatment (bande alic)
ECHO
*
RESU alic GARD PSCR
*
SORT GRAP
*
AXTE 1.0 'Time [s]'
*
COUR 1 'dy_rec' DEPL COMP 2 NOEU LECT tpln TERM
*
trac 1 AXES 1.0 'DISPL. [M]' yzer
list 1 AXES 1.0 'DISPL. [M]'
*
QUAL DEPL COMP 2 LECT tpln TERM REFE 9.95286E-9 TOLE 3.E-3
*****
FIN

```

## VALLPS

This calculation assumes a purely spectral mesh composed of 480 macro spectral elements and 7680 micro spectral elements. The mesh generation file is:

```

*%siz 50
*
opti echo 0;
opti donn 'D:\Users\Polco\Plexia3c\Proc\pxleg2.proc';
opti donn 'D:\Users\Polco\Plexia3c\Proc\pxspect2.proc';
opti donn 'D:\Users\Polco\Plexia3c\Proc\pxpdroi1.proc';
opti echo 1;
*
opti dime 2 elem qua4;
opti titr 'VALL - PS';
*
p0=0 0;
p1=500 0;
p2=0 300;
p3=500 450;
p4=0 500;
p5=500 500;
n=4;
tol1=0.01;
tol2=0.1;
*
i=0; repe lab1 20;
i=i + 1;
*
xi = 25. * i;
yy = cos( xi * 180. / 500.);
yi = 375. - (75. * yy);
pti = xi yi;
si (ega i 1);
c1 = d 1 p2 pti;
sinon;
c1 = c1 d 1 pti;
fin si;
*

```

```

fin lab1;
elim tol (c1 et p3);
*
c2 = p3 d 16 p1;
c3 = p1 d 20 p0;
c4 = p0 d 16 p2;
*
sm1 = dall c1 c2 c3 c4 plan;
*
c5 = p3 d 8 p5;
c6 = p5 d 20 p4;
c7 = p4 d 8 p2;
*
sm2 = dall c1 c5 c6 c7 plan;
*
trac (sm1 et sm2);
*
sm = sm1 et sm2;
*
sem = pxspect2 sm n tol;
*
tpln=0.0 400.0;
elim tol (tpln et sem);
*
blxs = pxpdroi1 sem p0 p4 tol2;
*
mesh = sem et sm et tpln et blxs ;
*
tass mesh;
*
opti sauv form 'vallPS.msh';
sauv form mesh;
fin;

```

## The input file is:

```

VALL - PS
$
ECHO
$VERI
!CONV win
CAST MESH
DPLA NONL
$
DIME
PT2L 7857 MS24 480 S24 7680 ZONE 2
TERM
$
GEOM MS24 sm S24 sem TERM
$
MATE LINE RO 2500. YOUN 1.501196172E9 NU 0.200956938
LECT sm TERM
$
LINK COUP
CONT SPLA NX 1.0 NY 0.0 LECT blxs TERM
*
CHAR SPEC POIN BET PRES
SOUR BETA 200.0
AMP 10.0
TO 0.01
X 0.0 Y 200.0
ALFA 20.0
$

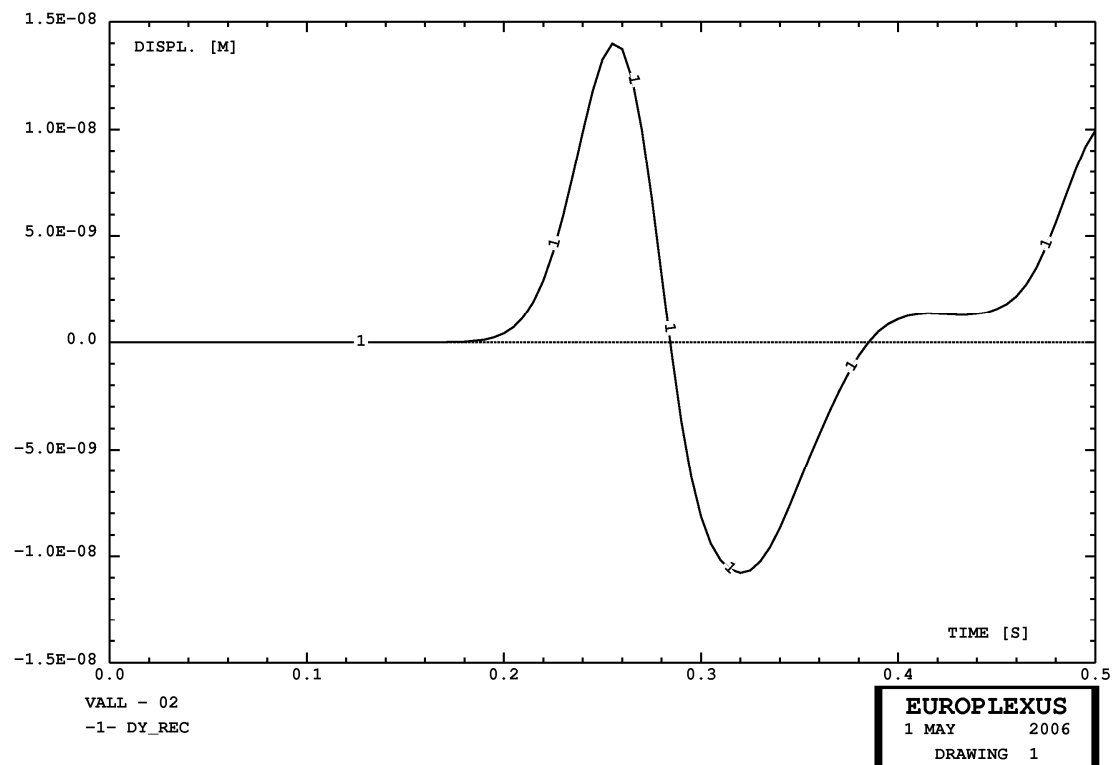
```

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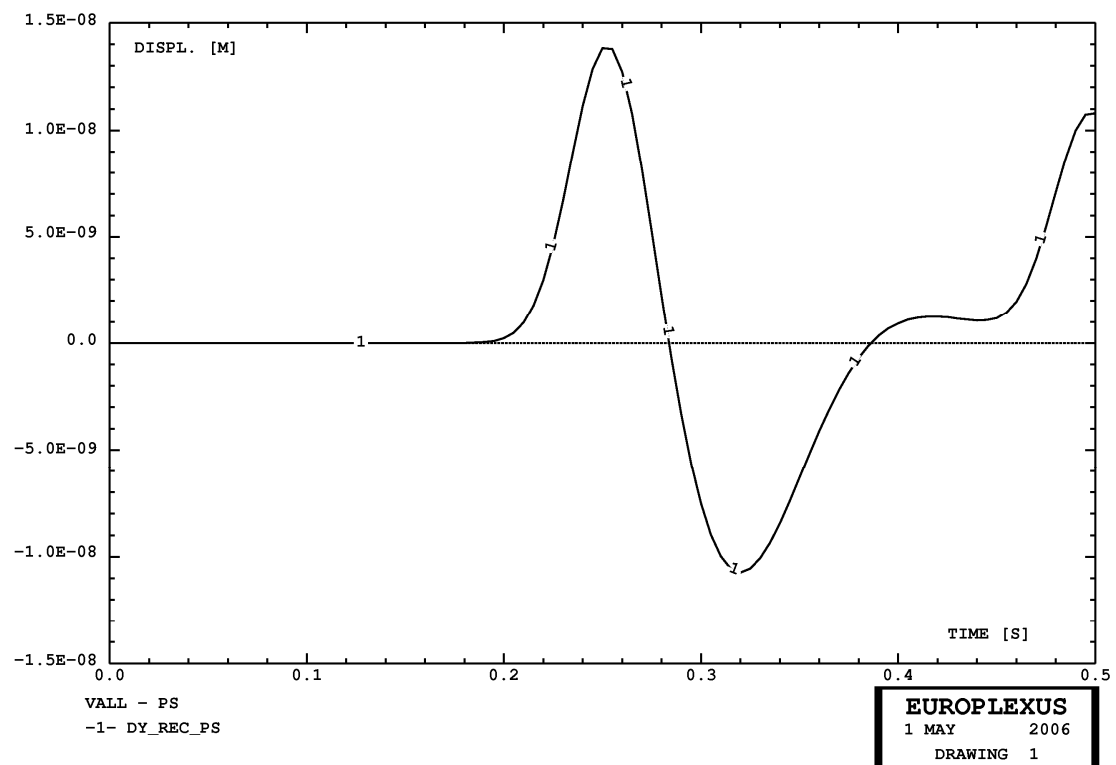
ECRI DEPL VITE ACCE FINT FEXT TFRE 0.5
FICH ALIC FREQ 10
$
OPTI PAS UTIL NOTE
$
CALC TINI 0. TEND 0.5d0 PASF 0.50D-3
*****
SUIT
Post-treatment (bande alic)
ECHO
*
RESU alic GARD PSCR
*
SORT GRAP
*
AXTE 1.0 'Time [s]'
*
COUR 1 'dy_rec_ps' DEPL COMP 2 NOEU LECT tpln TERM
RCOU 2 'dy_rec' FICH 'vall02.pun'
*
trac 1 AXES 1.0 'DISPL. [M]' yzer
trac 2 1 AXES 1.0 'DISPL. [M]' yzer
COLO noir rouge
*
QUAL DEPL COMP 2 LECT tpln TERM REFE 1.07909E-8 TOLE 3.E-3
*****
FIN

```

The receiver signal in the coupled FE/SE case is:

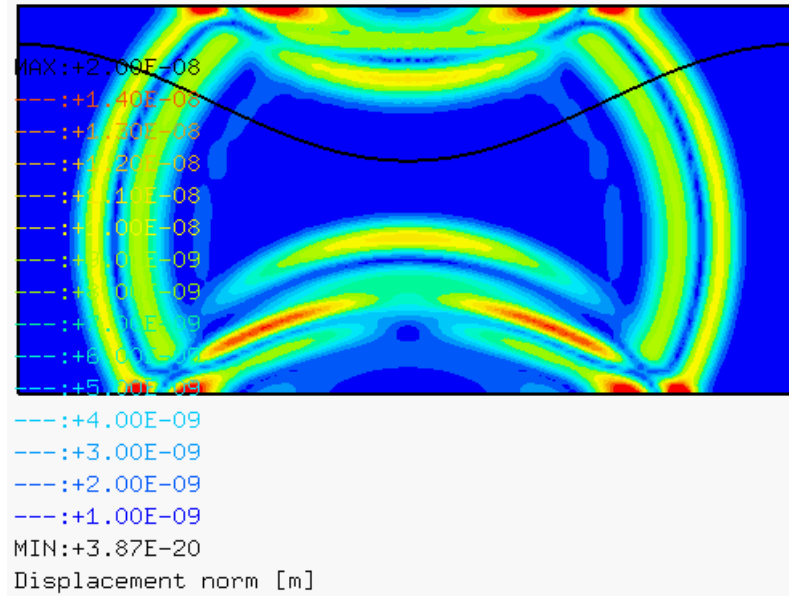


The receiver signal in the purely spectral case is:



The final displacement norm in the hybrid solution is:

```
VALL - 02  
Time: 5.00000E-01 Step: 500
```



The final displacement norm in the purely spectral solution is:

```
VALL - PS  
Time: 5.00000E-01 Step: 1000
```

