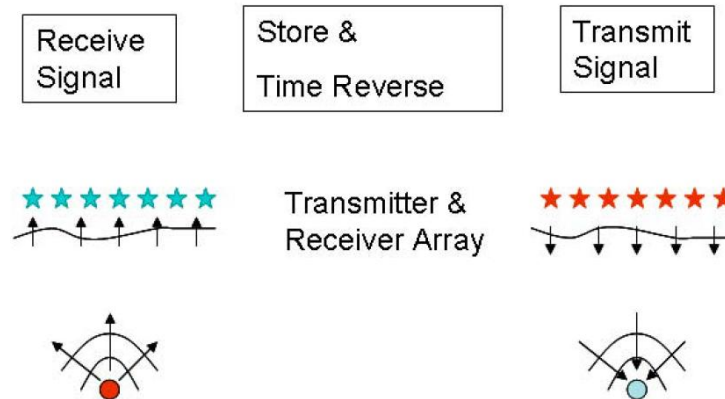


Tutorial for the Time Reversal Simulation

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Introduction

The time reversal method utilizes the reciprocity of wave propagation in a time-invariant medium to find the shape and the location of a object through the field focusing.



The focusing quality in the time-reversal method is determined by the effective aperture of transmitter-receiver array. This effective aperture includes the physical size of the transmitter-receiver array and the effect of the environment. A complicated background will create so-called multipath effect and can significantly increase the aperture of transmitter-receiver array.

In this tutorial, we will demonstrate how to simulate time-reversal cases in Wavenology EM-EL package.

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Basic Setup Scheme

(1) Backward Propagate the Direct Wave

The purpose of this scheme is to find out the field focusing on the sources. In this scheme, the source may be introduced by other physics. For example, a EL wave is excited by the thermal effect on the tissue by a EM field.

A time-reversal simulation will include following steps:

- 1) Obtain the received signals on sensors
- 2) Set up a WCT project, with transmitters at sensor's position
 - Set up source directly for a new case
 - Or, convert the receiver to source in GUI, if the user has a similar project with the same physics
- 3) Define the simulation time window with a fixed time
- 4) Load the received signals to source as the excitation pulse
 - User can reverse the time sequence of signal by themselves and load
 - WCT GUI already provide a function to reverse the time sequence
- 5) Define snapshot to record the EM/EL wave propagates
- 6) Run the simulation and check the result
 - transient snapshot result
 - WCT RTI image result

Basic Setup Scheme

(2) Backward Propagate the Scattered Field

The purpose of this scheme is to find out the field focusing on the induced sources. In general, this scheme is for the scattered signal from the same physics.

This time-reversal simulation scheme will be almost the same as previous one, the change is the source signal for imaging will be the scattered field instead of the direct wave.

Obtain the scattered signals

- a) it can be from the measurement
- b) Or, it can be from some kinds of simulation tools. In WCT, it can be obtained by
 - Simulate two cases to obtain the transient fields on receivers. These two cases are almost the same. The only difference is one case has the target (**total field case**). Another has not the target (**incident field case**).
 - Setup transmitter in two cases.
 - Setup sensor array in two cases.
 - Calculate the scattered field from the data obtained from these two cases.

Transmitters & Receivers

EM Solver

For a time-reversal project,

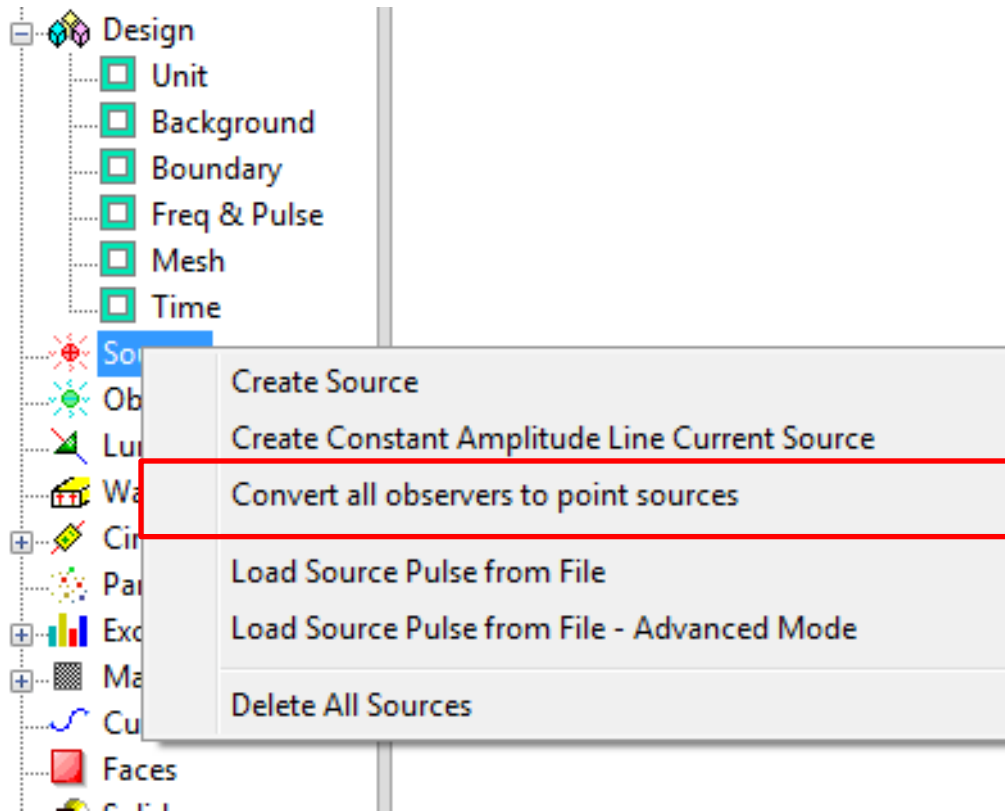
- the transmitter can be
 - ideal point dipole source
 - or, antenna
- the receiver can be
 - ideal point observer, the received signal is the field
 - or, antenna, the received signal is the voltage

EL Solver

For a time-reversal project,

- the transmitter can be
 - ideal dipole source
 - ideal monopole source
 - ideal moment tensor source
- the receiver is
 - ideal point observer, to capture particle velocity or force

Tools to Convert Point Receiver to PointTransmitter



In Wavenology GUI, with menu item “***Convert all observers to point sources***”, a point observer in the project will be converted to one or several ideal point sources at the same position.

But for the port on an antenna to record voltage, user need to manually convert it from the receiving mode to the transmitting mode.

The conversion rule

EM Project

- if all receivers to capture **single** field component, the ideal E dipole source converted from receiver will be
 - at the same position
 - with the same name
 - the dipole source will be set with a polarization along the field component direction. For example, E_y field receiver will be converted to a point E dipole with polarization as $(0, 1, 0)$.

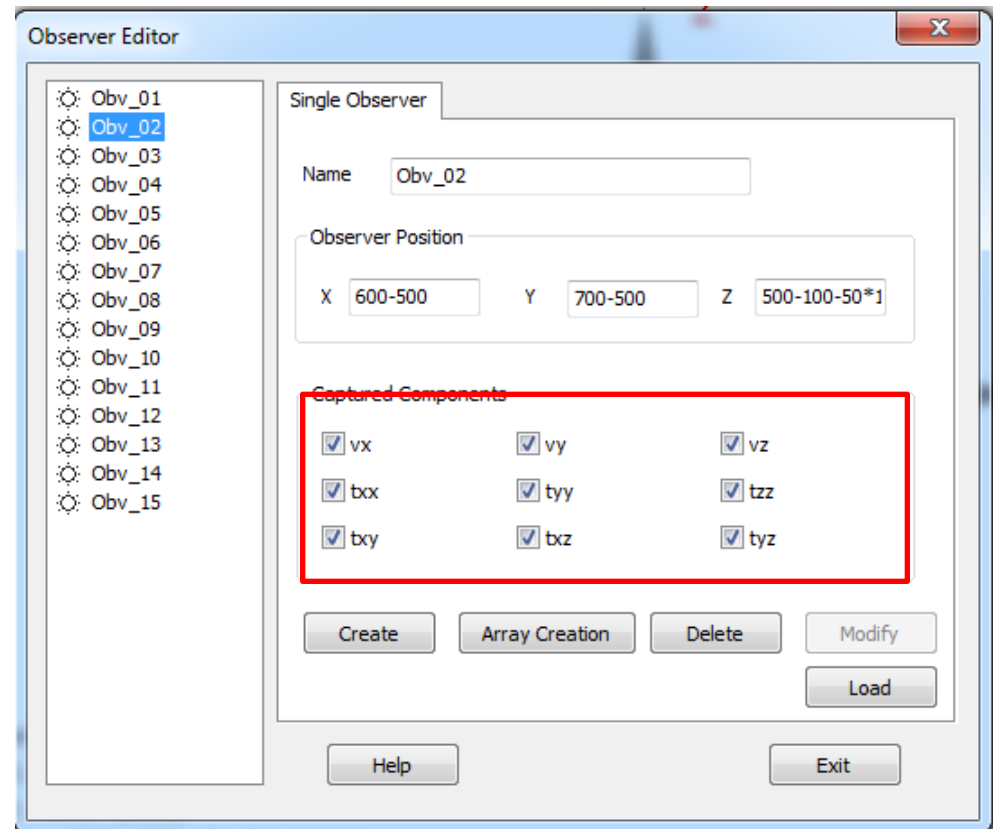
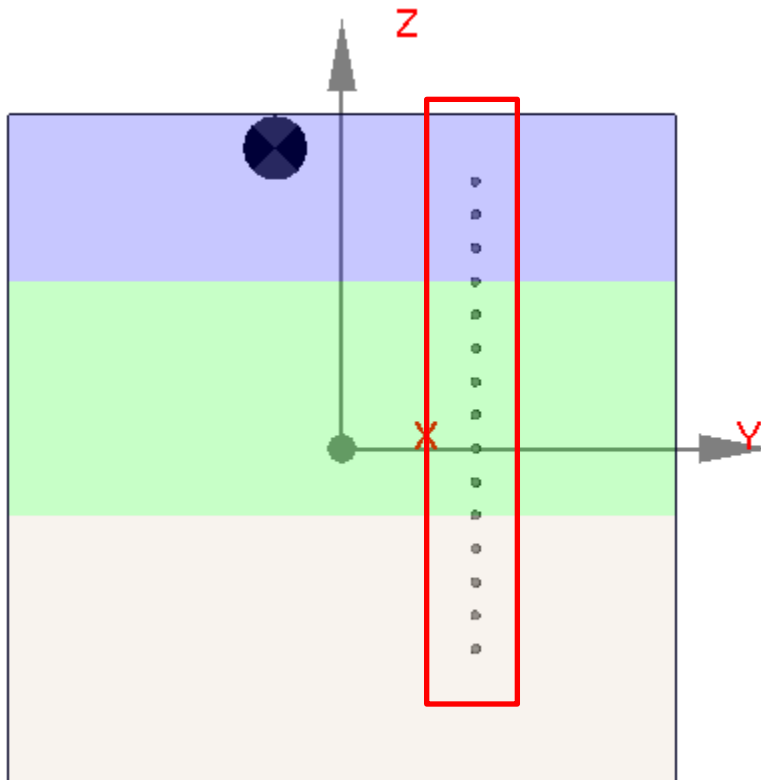
- if there is any one receiver to capture **multiple** field components, for each component on a receiver, there will be a converted ideal E dipole source
 - at the same position
 - with the same name as prefix, following by component name
 - the dipole source will be set with a polarization along the field component direction.
 - for example, a $(E_x + E_z)$ field receiver 'A' will be converted to
 - one point E dipole with a polarization as $(1, 0, 0)$, name by "A_x"
 - another point E dipole with a polarization as $(0, 1, 0)$, name by "A_y"

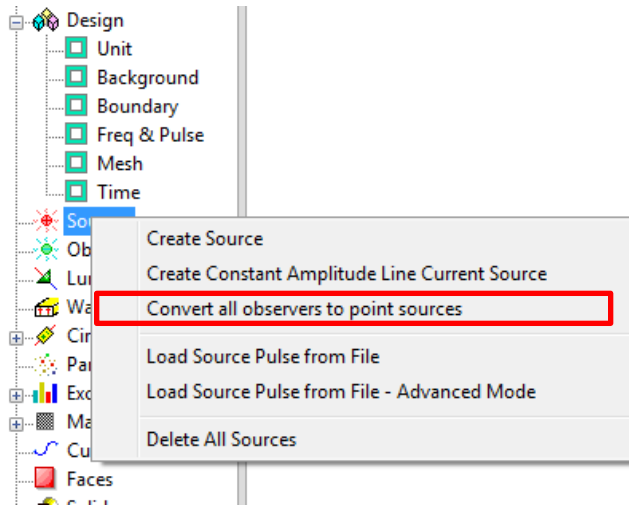
- if all receivers to capture single field component, the ideal point source converted from receiver will be
 - ❑ at the same position
 - ❑ with the same name
 - ❑ the source will be determined by the recorded field type
 - ❑ velocity receiver will be converted to point dipole source, with a polarization along the field component direction.
 - ❑ compress force receiver (T_{au_xx} , T_{au_yy} , T_{au_zz}) will be converted to a point monopole source
 - ❑ shear force receiver (T_{au_xy} , T_{au_xz} , T_{au_yz}) will be converted to a point moment tensor source

- if there is any one receiver to capture multiple field components, for each component on a receiver, there will be a converted ideal point source with above rules except the name rule
 - ❑ the name will be the same name as prefix, following by component name
 - ❑ for example, a ($V_y + T_{au_xx}$) field receiver 'A' will be converted to
 - one point dipole source with a polarization as (1, 0, 0), name by "A_vx"
 - another point monopole source with the name by "A_tau_xx"

Following is a demo in a EL project to convert receiver to source.

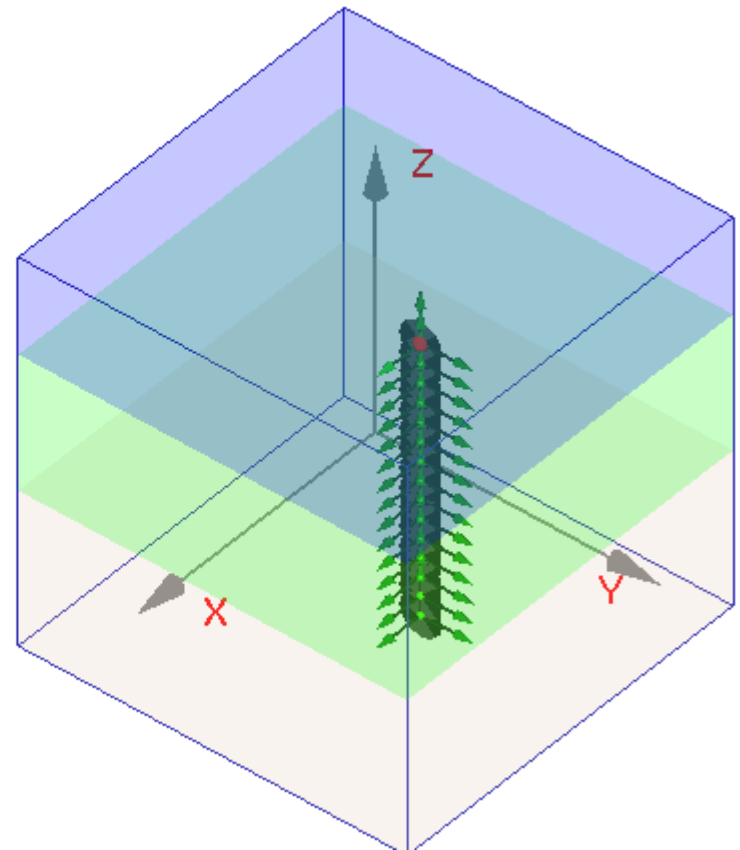
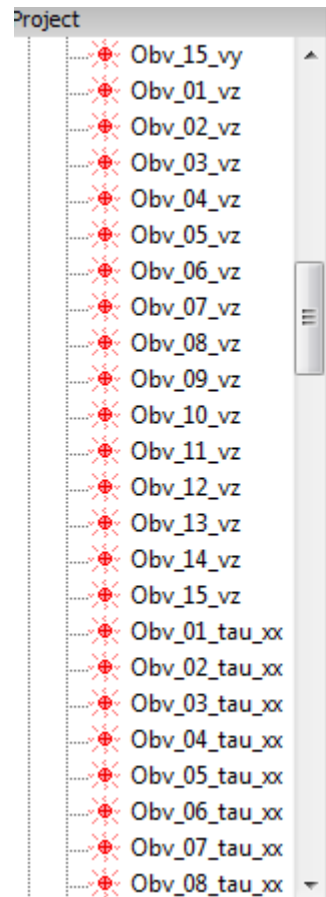
There are multiple receivers in the project, and capture all 9 field components





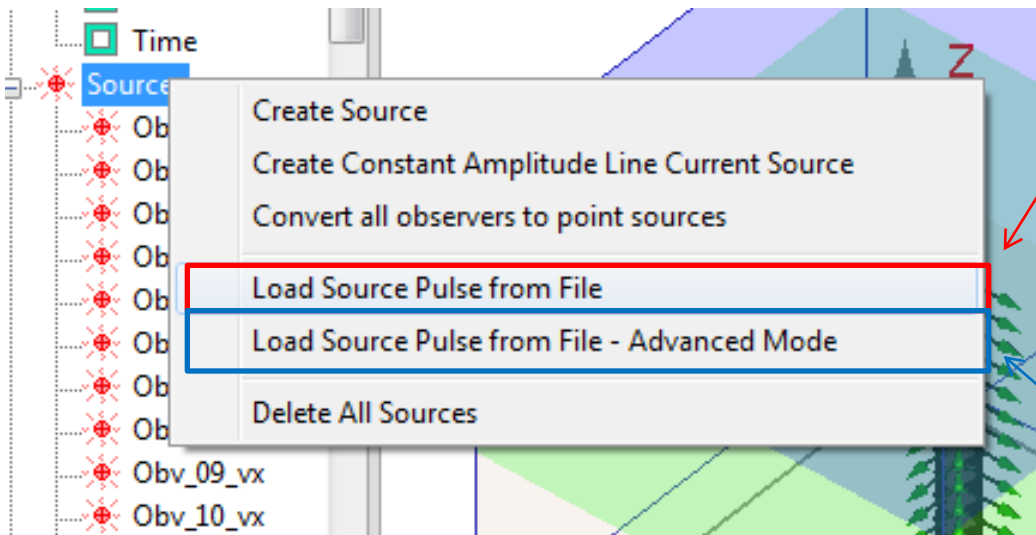
With conversion menu, we get following sources.

Each one receiver is converted to 9 sources, with corresponding name subfix and source type



Loading Source Pulse with GUI Tools

- WCT GUI provide two tools to load pulses to multiple sources in one operation, as following,

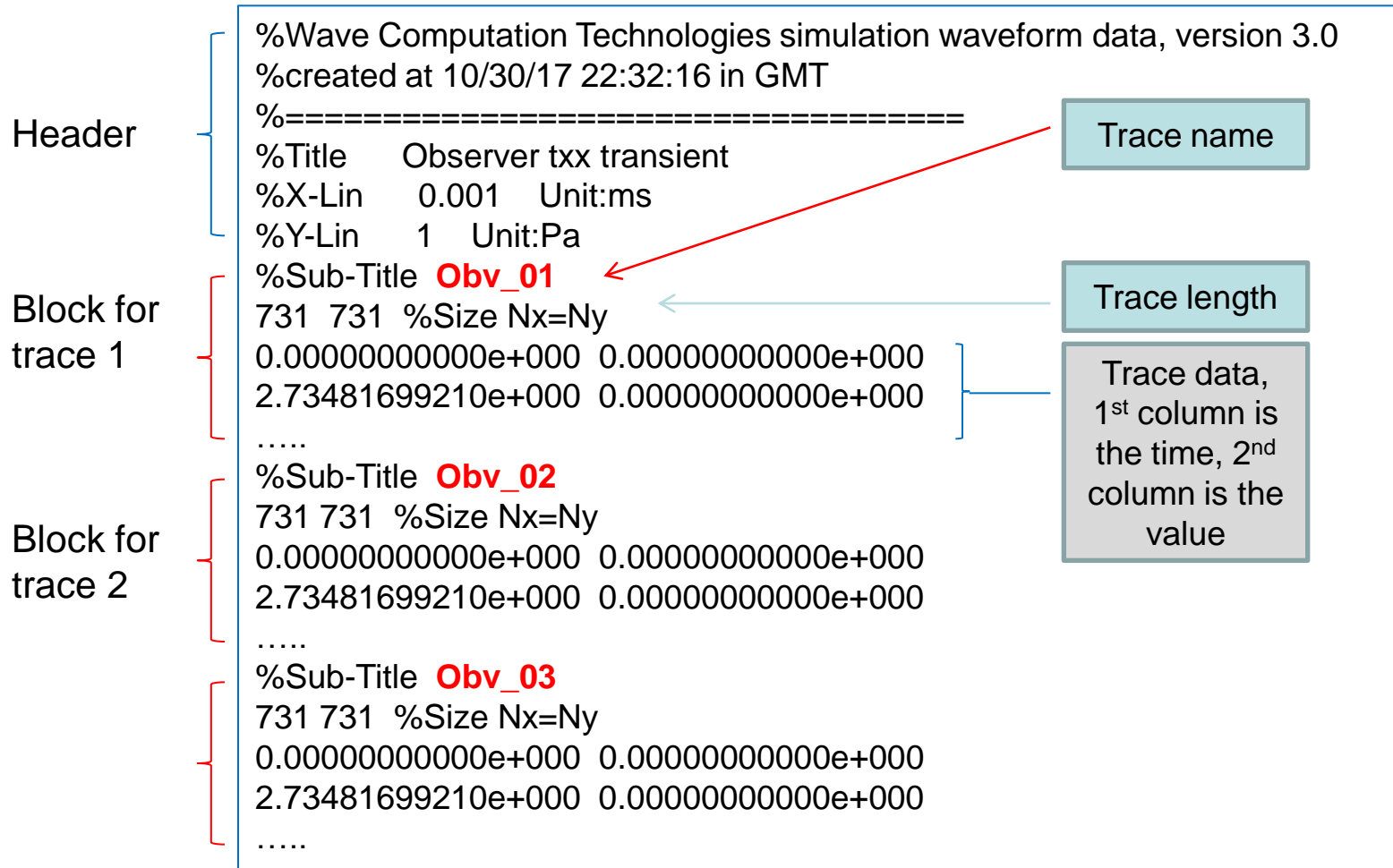


Load pulse to all sources with name-matching method without reverse the signal

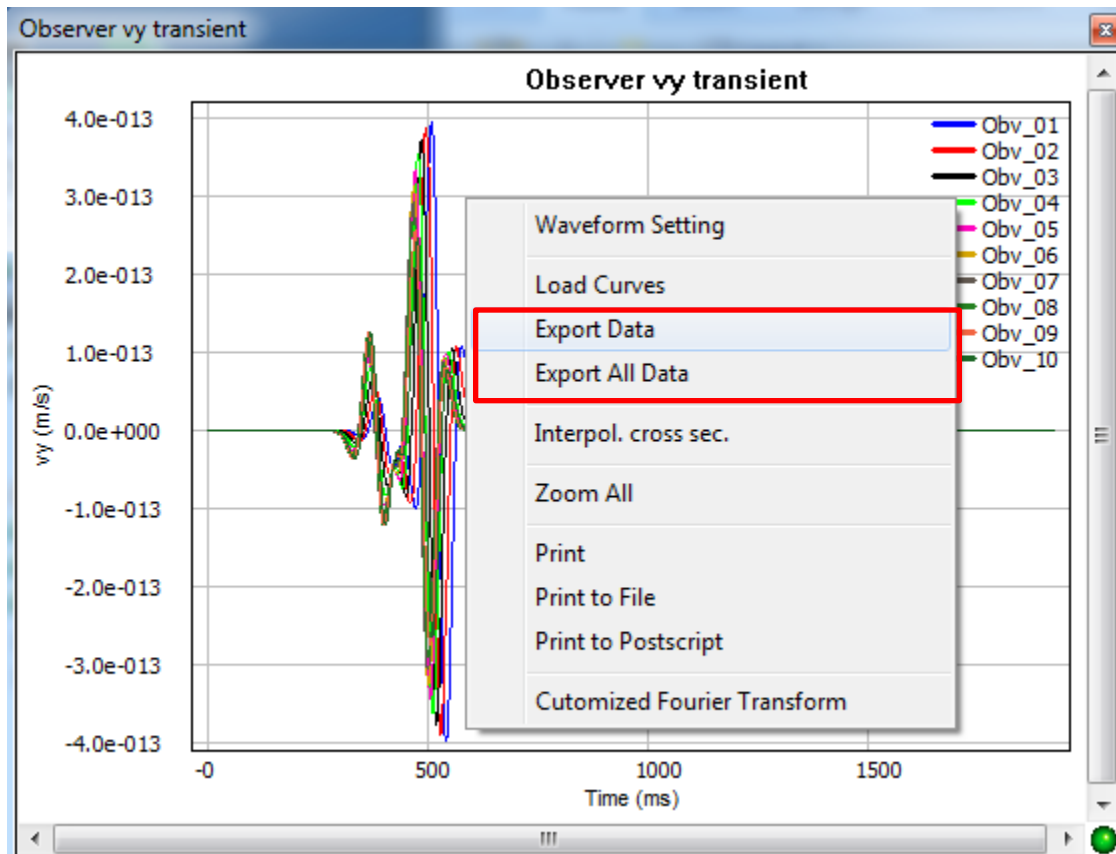
Load pulse to sources with options

Load pulse to all sources with the name-matching method without reverse the signal

This method load a ASCII file with following format:

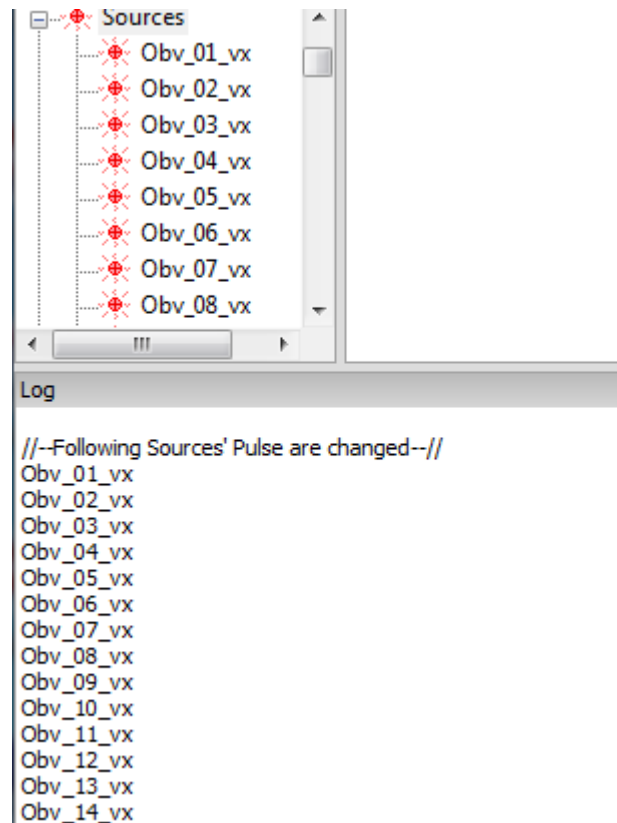


This format is the same as the data file format exported from WCT 2D canvas



In this method, only the traces which have a matching name to a source will be assigned to that source correctly, other traces will be skipped.

After loaded, the name of source which load pulse successfully will be reported in GUI log, as following



Load pulse to sources with options

This method has a control dialog as following

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Load Pulse to Source". On the left, a list of sources is shown, with "Obv_03_vx" selected. The "Options" section contains several checkboxes and radio buttons. A red box highlights the radio buttons for "Do't need to match curve name" (selected) and "Use curve with matched name only". A green box highlights the "Reverse the time sequence of pulse" checkbox (checked). A blue box highlights the "Smooth Pulse" checkbox (unchecked). A pink box highlights the "Data File" input field. A purple box highlights the "Log" area. Three callout boxes on the right provide instructions: a red box for naming rules, a green box for reversing traces, and a blue box for smoothing traces.

Whether need to use naming matching rule in loading traces

Whether need to reverse trace in loading

Whether need to remove the noise in traces

Select a data file to load traces to the sources starting from the selected source

This trace loading method support 3 kinds of format, the code will automatically detecting the file format and load.

- a. Pure ASCII data file with 2 columns data
- b. Wavenology trace data, ASCII format, version 3.0
- c. Wavenology simulation result ASCII file, version 1.0

a. 2 columns, pure ASCII data file

- One trace per file
- Two columns data. 1st column is time, 2nd is value
- MKSU as unit
- The line start with “%” or “#” will be considered as comment line and be skipped

b. Wavenology trace data, ASCII format, version 3.0

- Please refer to [this page](#)

c. Wavenology simulation result ASCII file, version 1.0

- It is the Wavenology simulation result file stored in folder
 - ❑ `Projectname_res\observers`
- Format as

%Wave Computation Technologies simulation waveform data, version 1.0 ::

%Time (ns)

%frames number

12

%frame start

0

%frame end

3.0005e-008

%frame step

1.7e-011

%frame length

1766

0.0000000e+000

0.0000000e+000

0.0000000e+000

...

0.0000000e+000

0.0000000e+000

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...

0.0000000e+000

Information for all curves.

All curves has the same length with the same uniform interval.

1766 rows for the first curve.

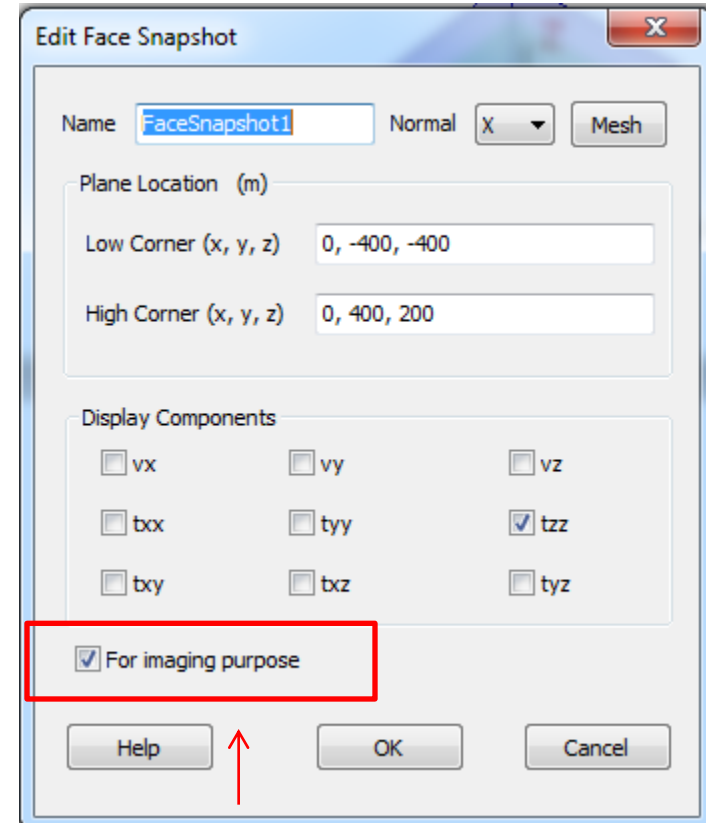
1766 rows for the second curve.

Note: the curve sequence is the ASCII string index for all observers in the project. It may be different from the sequence shown in the project tree.

Define Snapshot for Imaging Purpose

Wavenology GUI provide two methods to generate images

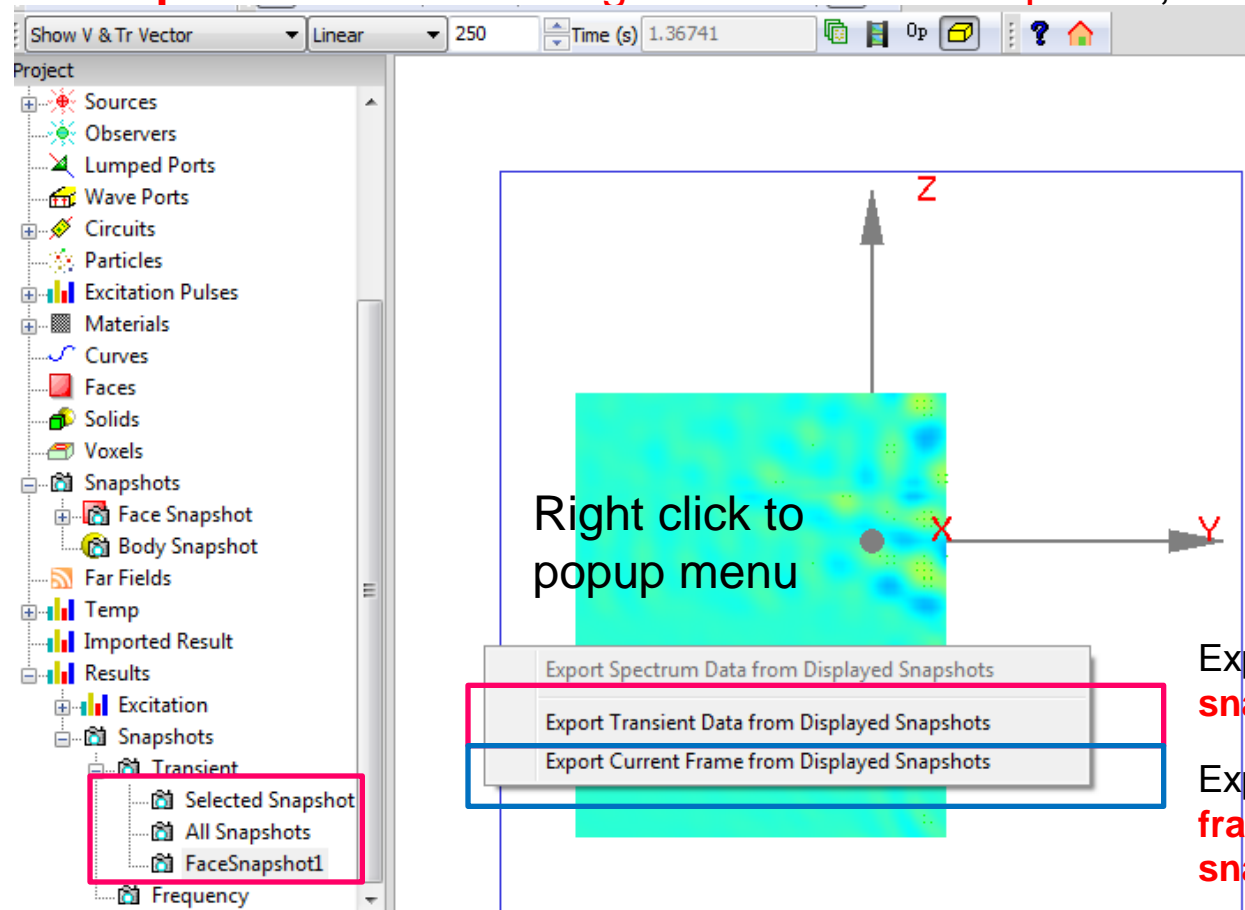
- A. snapshot to record field propagation, user can export any frame of a snapshot as an image
- B. define a special snapshot for let Wavenology Imaging solver to find out a frame with a strongest energy point in the whole snapshot history
 - this snapshot will generate two sets of data after simulation
 - 1) The regular transient field on this snapshot
 - 2) One image with a strongest energy point



Without check this item, it is a regular type of snapshot (type A). With checked item, it is a type B snapshot.

Display the Field Propagation in the Snapshot & Export Image

➤ in the transient snapshot displaying mode, there are two menu items to export “**whole snapshot data**” or “**a single frame of the snapshot**”, as following



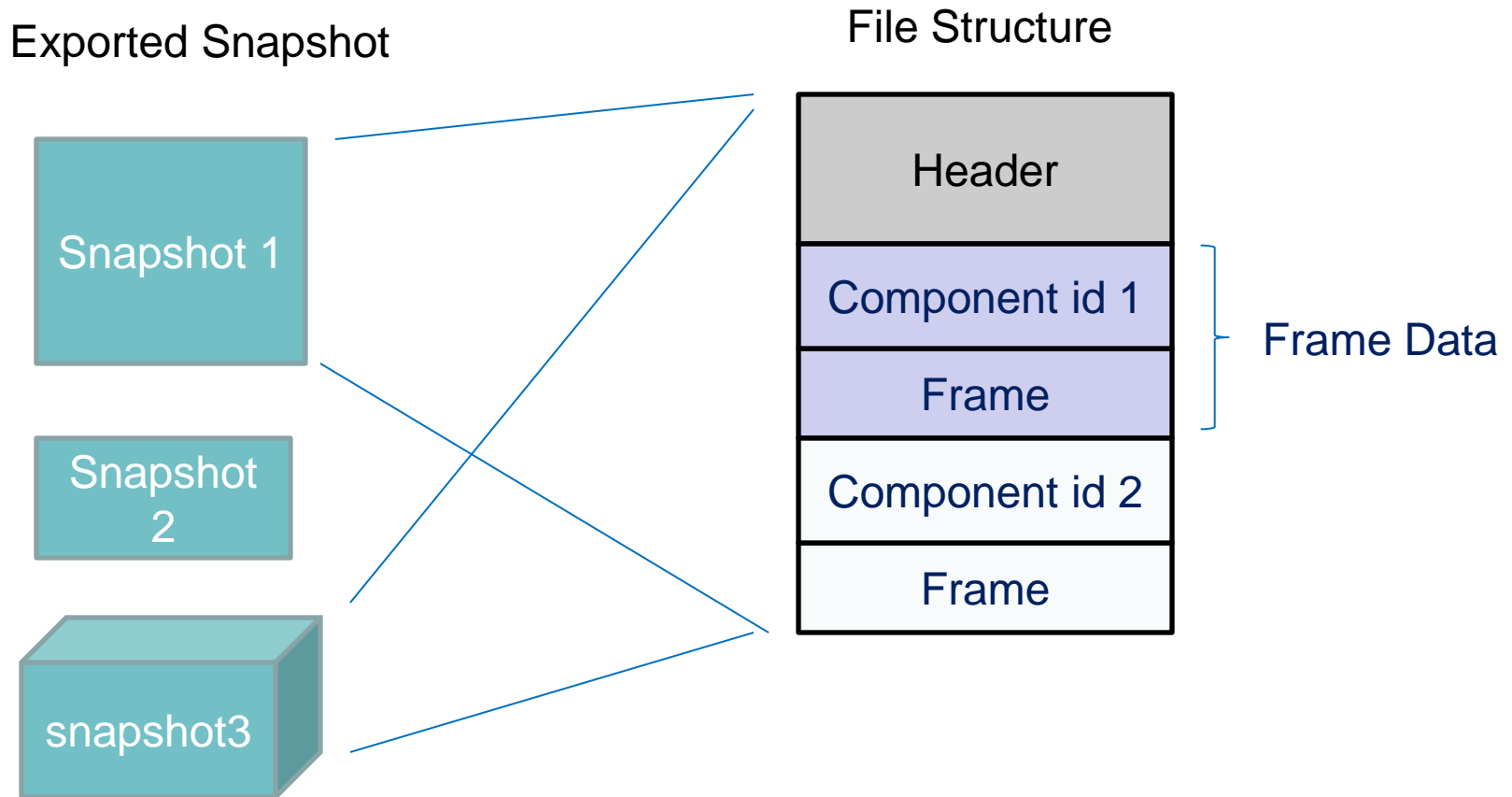
Double click to enter snapshot displaying mode

Export “**whole snapshot data**”
Export “**a single frame of the snapshot**”

Exported Transient Data File Format

Single Frame

Rule: one snapshot one file



Header

128 Bytes Text
Number of components[int32]
32 Bytes Text (name of component 1)
32 Bytes Text (name of component k)
Δt [float]
Frame length[int32]
Number of capture points in this snapshot[int32]
Array of 3D position (x,y,z) [float]

Frame Data

Component index[int32]
Frame index[float]
Value on capture points in this snapshot[float]

Following matlab code show how to load a single component from a Single Frame file

```
clear all;

% open file
fid = fopen( 'fs.bin', 'rb' ); % target file
if( fid == -1 ) return; end;

%%% read header
sHeader = fread( fid, 128, '*char' );
nComp = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );
for k = 1 : nComp;
    sCompName = fread( fid, 32, '*char' );
    sComps(k, :) = sCompName';
end;
dt = fread( fid, 1, '*float32' );
nFrameLength = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );
nPt = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );
pos = fread( fid, double(nPt*3), '*float32' );

pos = reshape( pos, 3, length(pos)/3 );
x_pos = pos(1,:);
y_pos = pos(2,:);
z_pos = pos(3,:);

%%% read one componet, if there are several
components in this file
%%% change this part
CompId = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );

FrameId = fread( fid, 1, '*float32' );

val = fread( fid, double(nPt), '*float32' );

%%%%%%%% close file %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
fclose( fid );
```

For a 2D face snapshot or a 3D rectangular volume snapshot, the mesh point in the snapshot is generated by following loop:

for x

for y

for z

Exported Transient Data File Format

Whole Snapshot

Rule: one snapshot one file

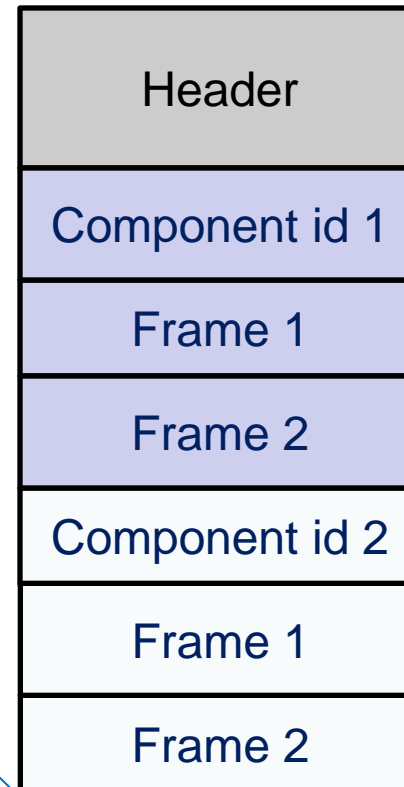
Exported Snapshot

Snapshot 1

Snapshot 2

snapshot3

File Structure



all data for one component

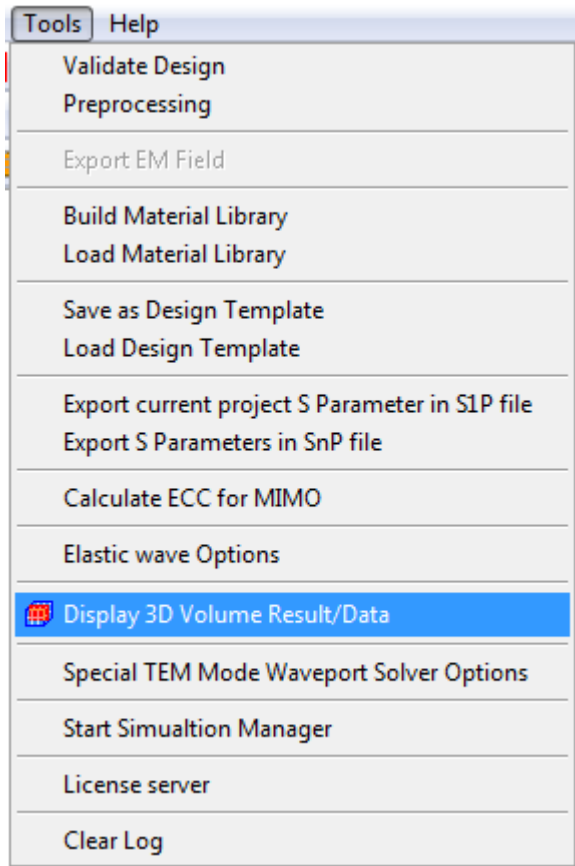
Header

128 Bytes Text
Number of components[int32]
32 Bytes Text (name of component 1)
32 Bytes Text (name of component k)
Δt [float]
Frame length[int32]
Number of capture points in this snapshot[int32]
Array of 3D position (x,y,z) [float]

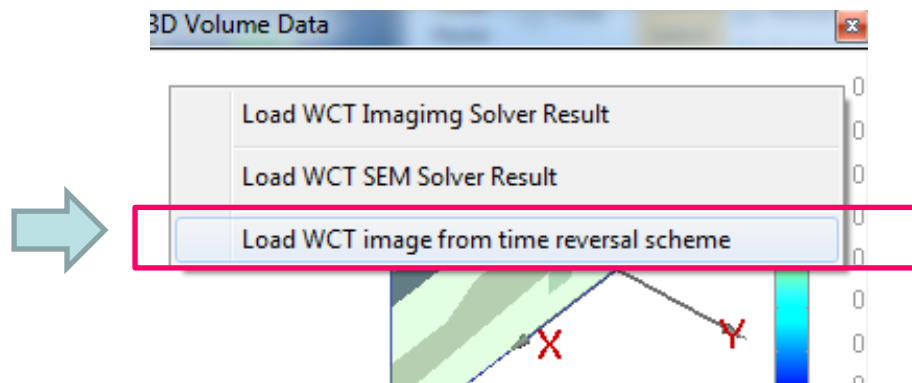
Data for One Component

Component index[int32]	
Frame index[float]	1 st frame
Value on capture points in this snapshot[float]	
Frame index[float]	2 nd frame
Value on capture points in this snapshot[float]	

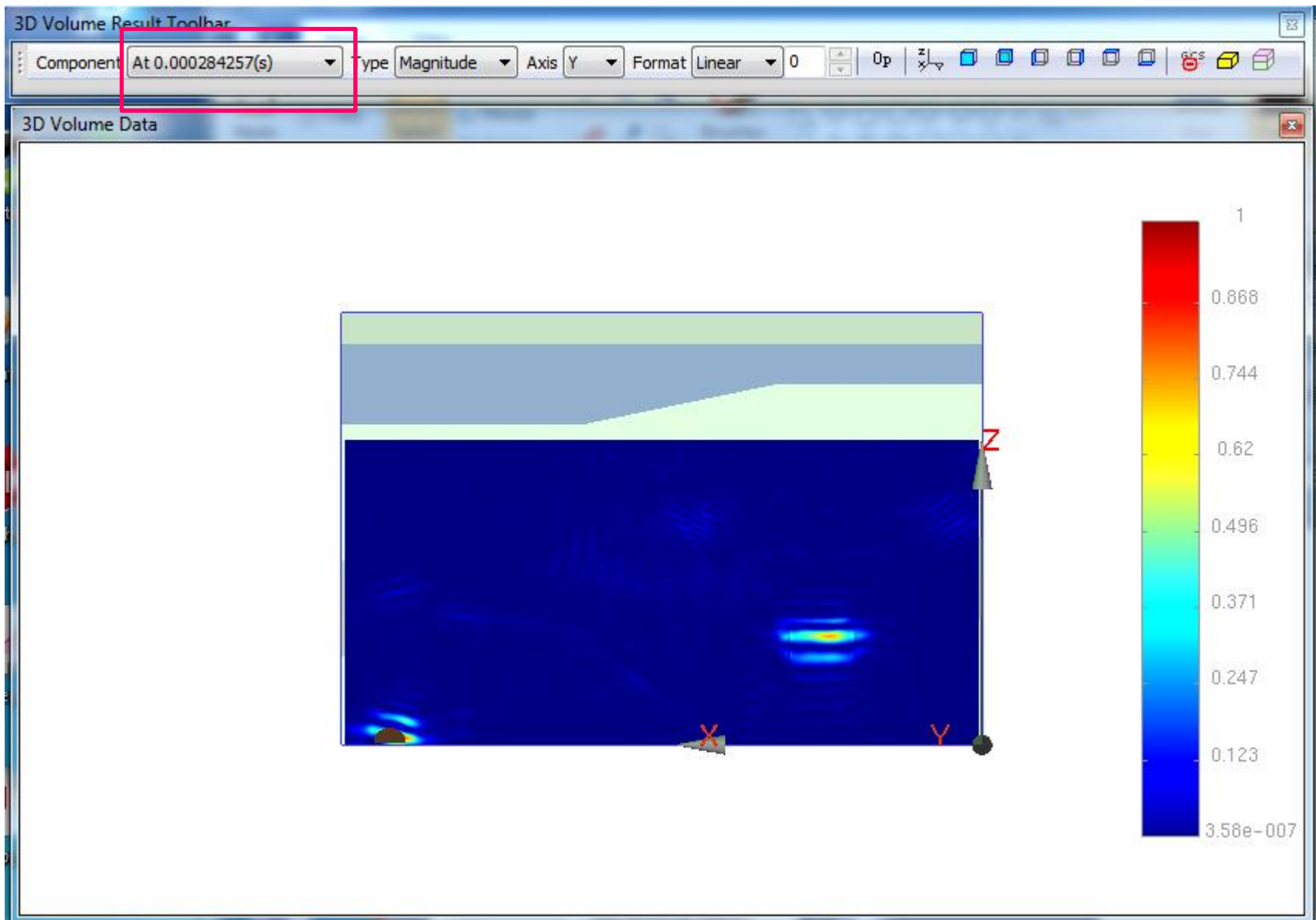
Display the Image with a Strongest Energy Point



Follow these steps to load a image on a snapshot with a strongest energy point in the snapshot history.



The time of this frame



This image file is in: [project_name_res \tril\snapshot_name.img](#)

Format as,

Data Type	Length in Byte	Meaning
char	128	comment
int32	4	Version number, value is 3
double	8	Frame time (MKSU)
char	120	reserved
int32	4	Number of cell in X, nx
double	8*nx	Cell positions in x
int32	4	Number of cell in Y, ny
double	8*ny	Cell positions in y
int32	4	Number of cell in Z, nz
double	8*nz	Cell positions in z
double	nx*ny*nz	Value for cells

Following matlab code show how to load a image file which has the strongest energy point in the snapshot history

```
clear all;

% open file
fid = fopen( 'FaceSnapshot1.img', 'rb' ); %
target file
if( fid == -1 ) return; end;

%%% read header
sHeader = fread( fid, 128, '*char' );
nVer = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );
dt = fread( fid, 1, '*double' );
sExt = fread( fid, 128-8, '*char' );

nx = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );
xpos = fread( fid, double(nx), '*double' );

ny = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );
ypos = fread( fid, double(ny), '*double' );

nz = fread( fid, 1, '*int32' );
zpos = fread( fid, double(nz), '*double' );

val = fread( fid, double(nx*ny*nz), '*double' );

%%%%%%%% close file %%%%%%%%%%%
fclose( fid );

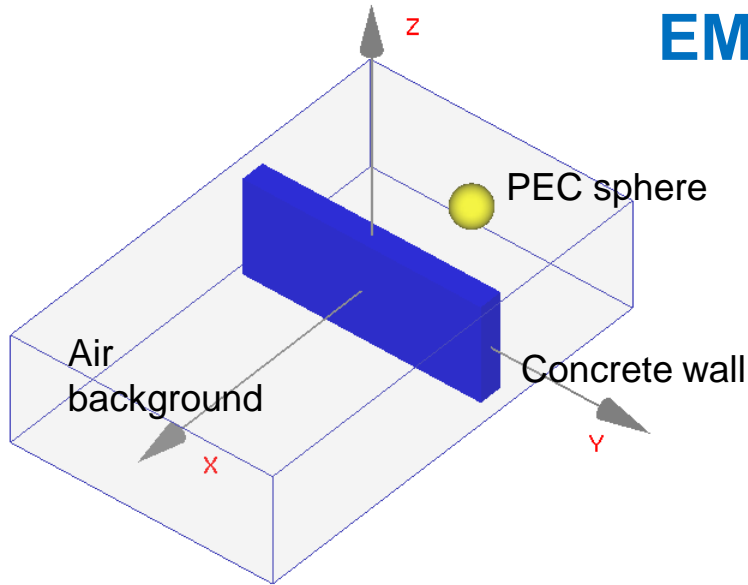
%%%%%%%% display image %%%%%%%%%%%
img = reshape( val, nz, ny, nx );
img = squeeze( img );

figure;
pcolor( img );

colorbar;
shading flat;
```

Case (1): Detect a PEC Sphere behind a Wall

EM Solver



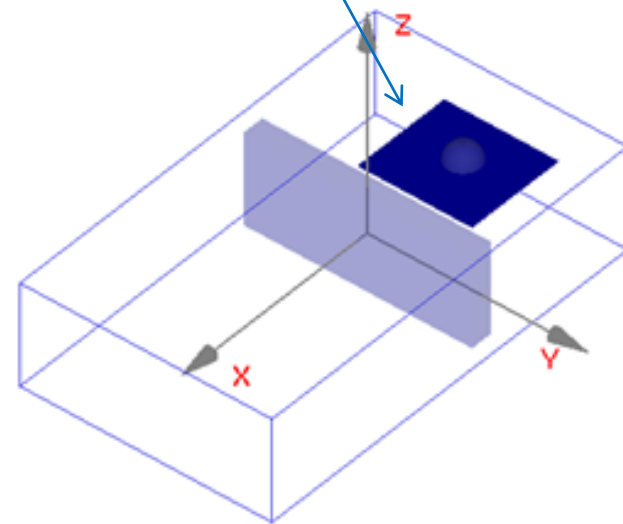
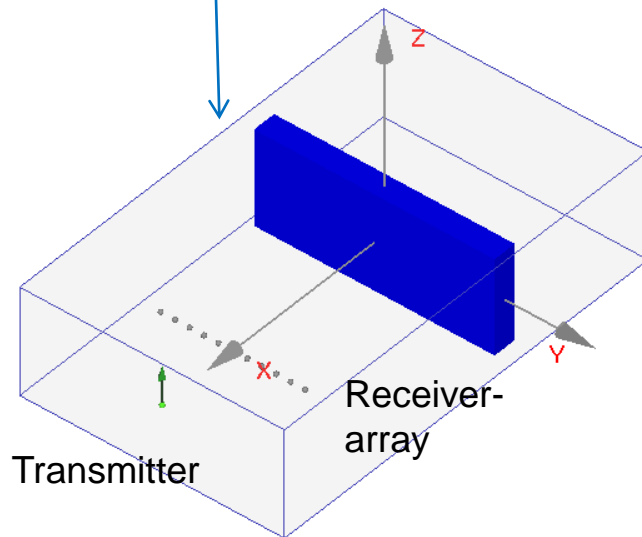
This case shows how to setup a time-reversal project to detect a object by the scattered signal.

Note:

1. Due to the time-reversal is an approximate method, it cannot focus on a small target. It is suggested that the target size is larger than one wavelength.
2. The focus quality of the time-reversal method depends on the aperture size of the re-radiation transmitter array, i.e., larger size of the array can obtain better focus.
3. The clutter between the re-radiation transmitter array and the target will increase the aperture and significantly improve the quality of focus. If there is not clutter between the re-radiation transmitter array and the target, in order to get a good focus, the size of array should be much larger.

The basic idea of this case is

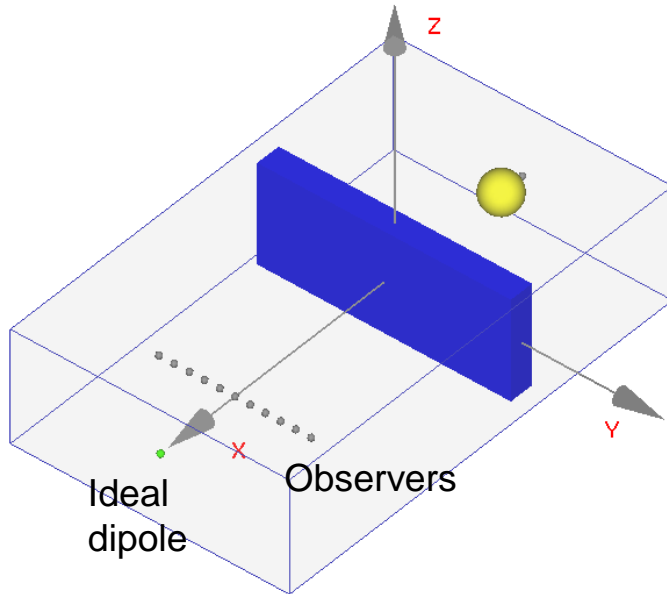
- we have a T-R (Transmitter-Receiver Array) system in front a wall
- we know the source excitation and the measurement on the receiver array
- we would like to find out whether there is any object behind the wall and where it is, through checking the focus of field in face snapshot



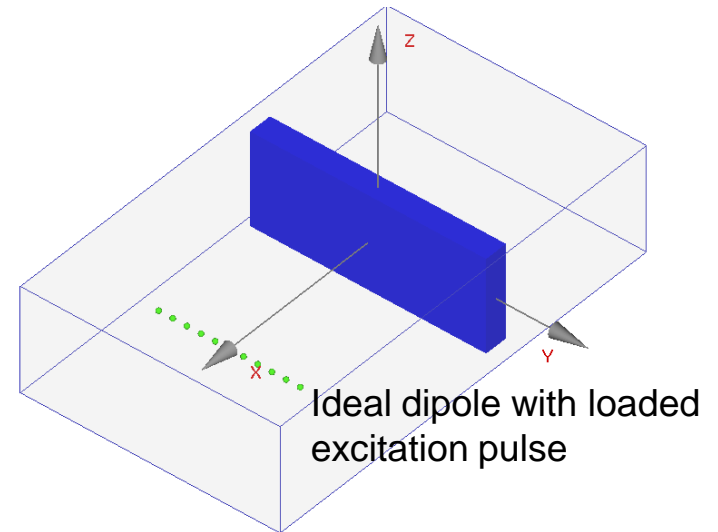
Following, we will demonstrate how to

- 1) obtain the scattered signal from a PEC sphere behind a wall for this T-R system
- 2) Set up a time-reversal simulation to check whether there is object after wall through the scattered signal

Project to obtain the scattered signal



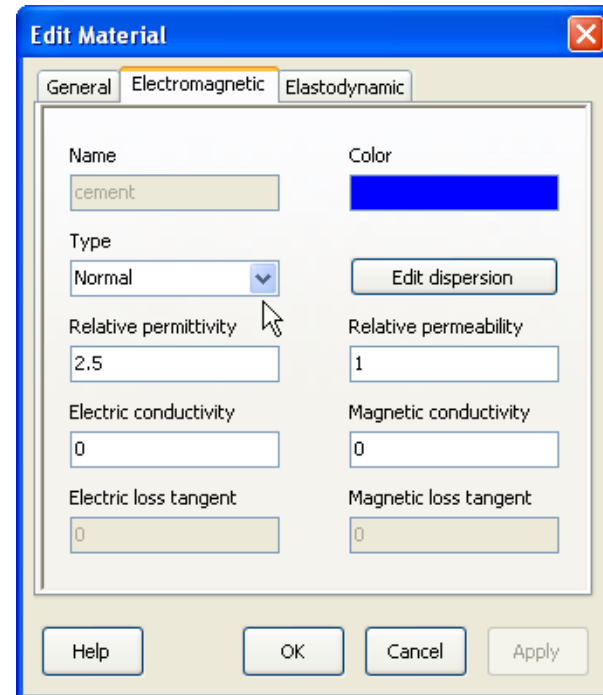
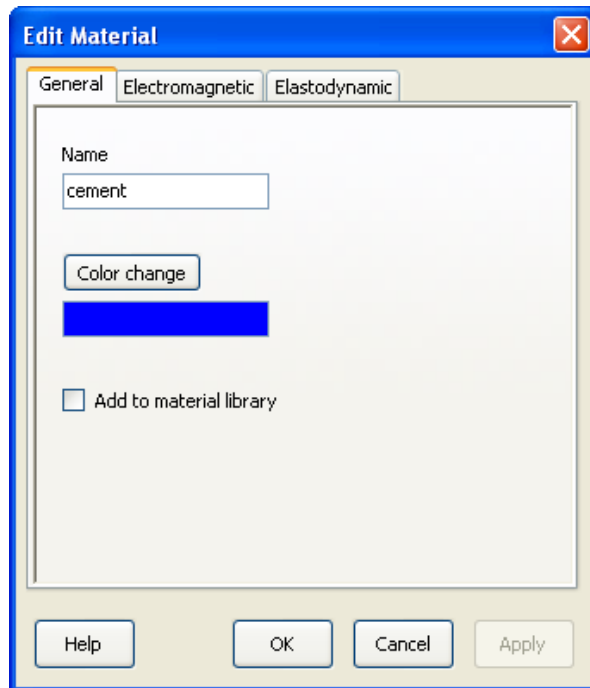
The time-reversal project



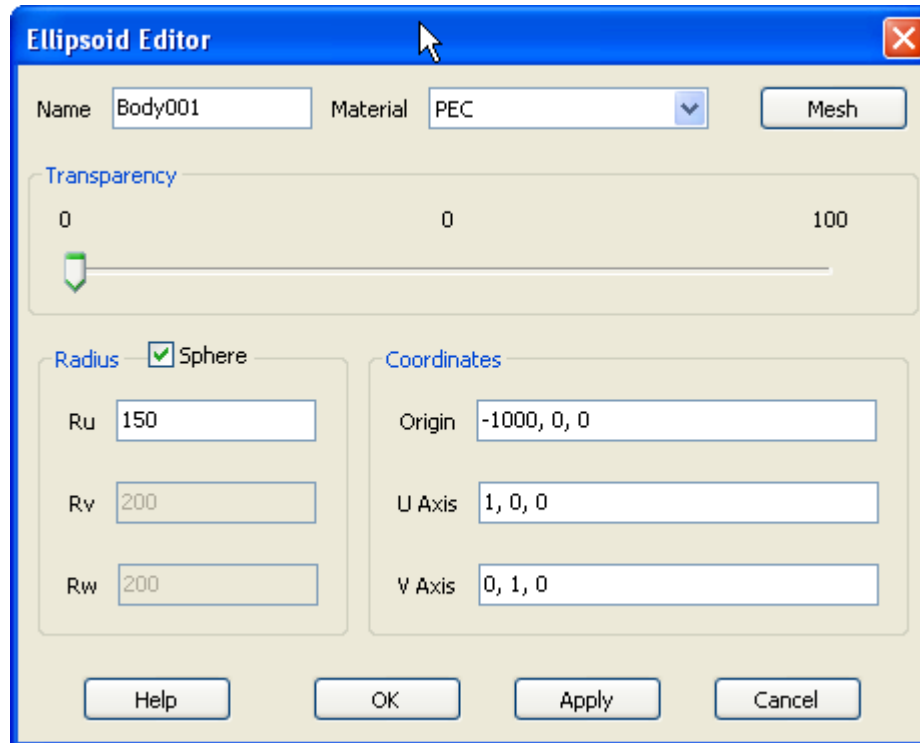
Part 1: the project to obtain the scattered signal from a PEC sphere behind a wall

Steps:

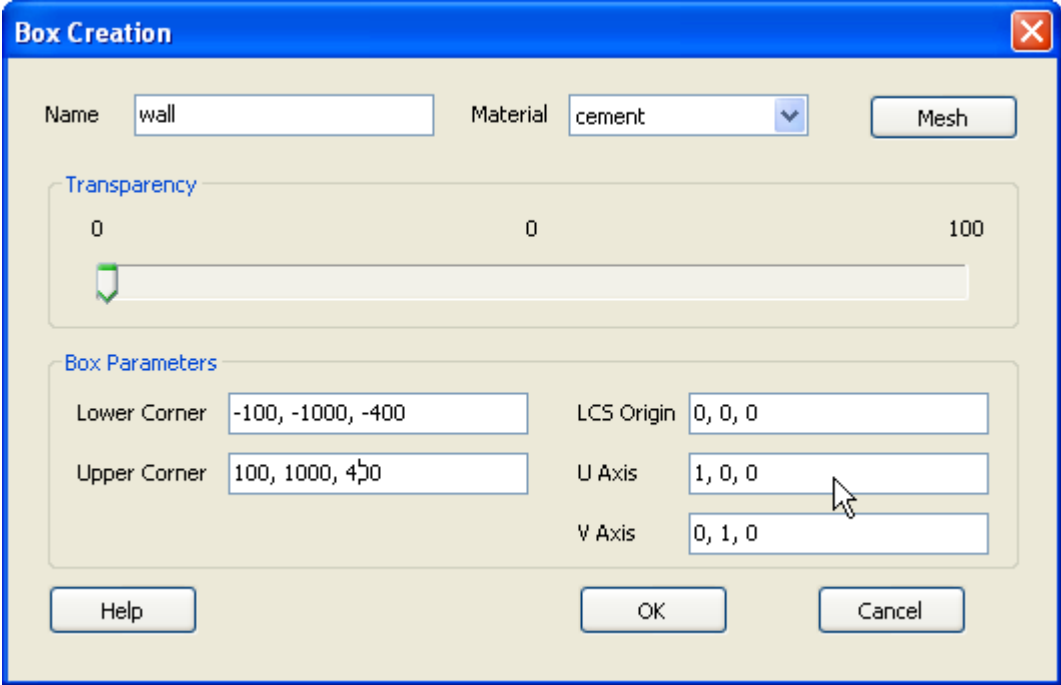
1. Create a new folder as `single_wall_single_target`. Then use WCT GUI create a new project, save it under the sub-folder `tot` with name `1`.
2. Define a new material: cement



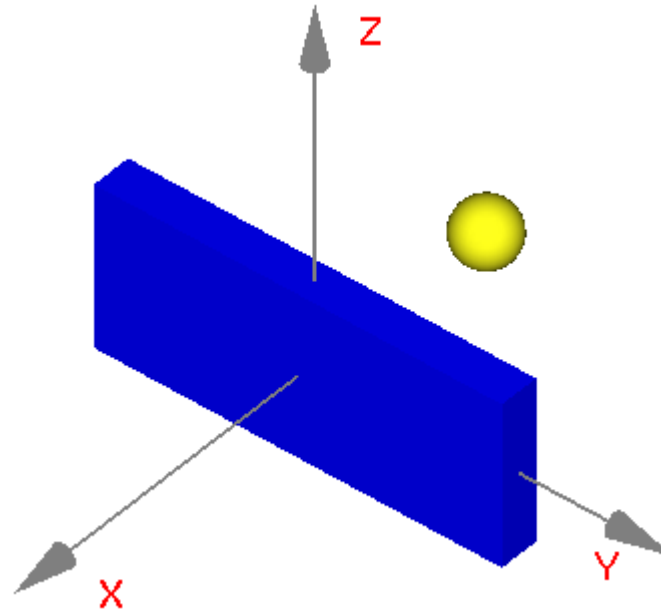
3. Define the target: PEC sphere (unit: mm)



4. Define clutter: wall (unit: mm)

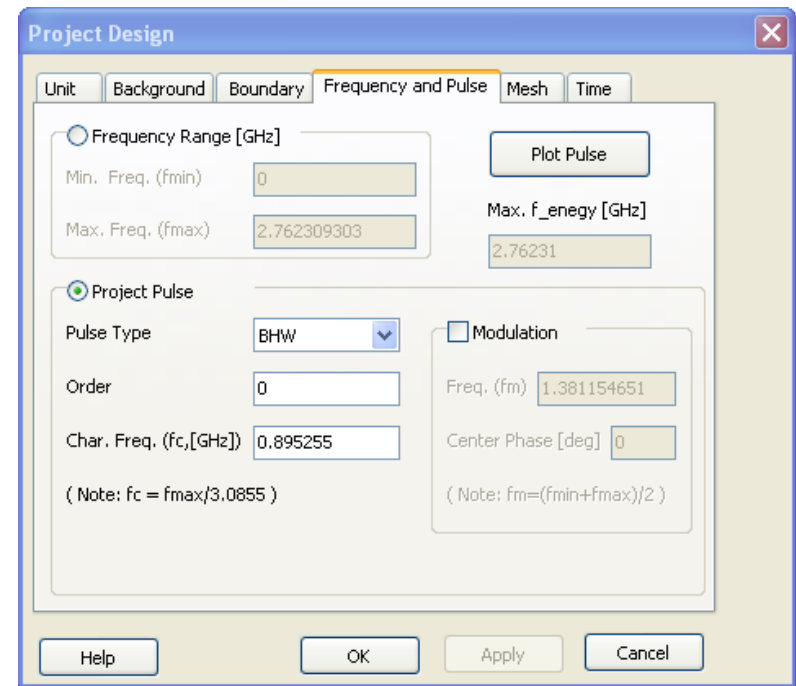
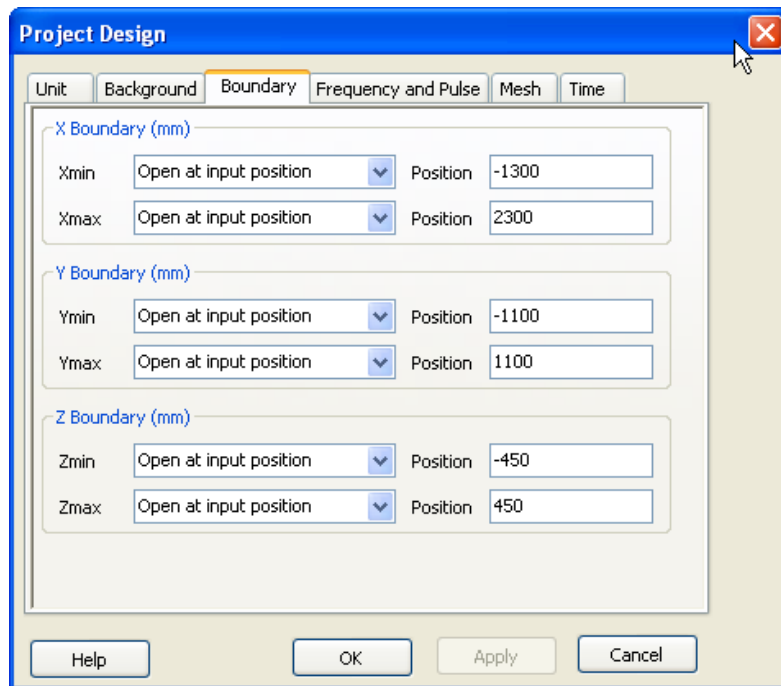


The position of Sphere & Wall is shown in the following Figure.



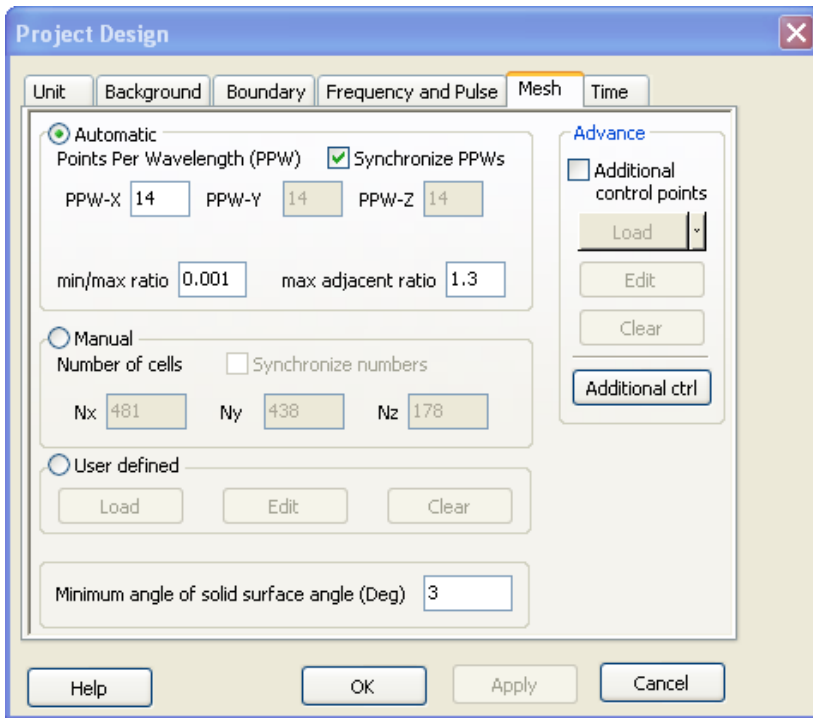
5. Setup project unit, background, boundary, excitation pulse, mesh and simulation time.

For the unit, we use default setting. The background material is default material, air.

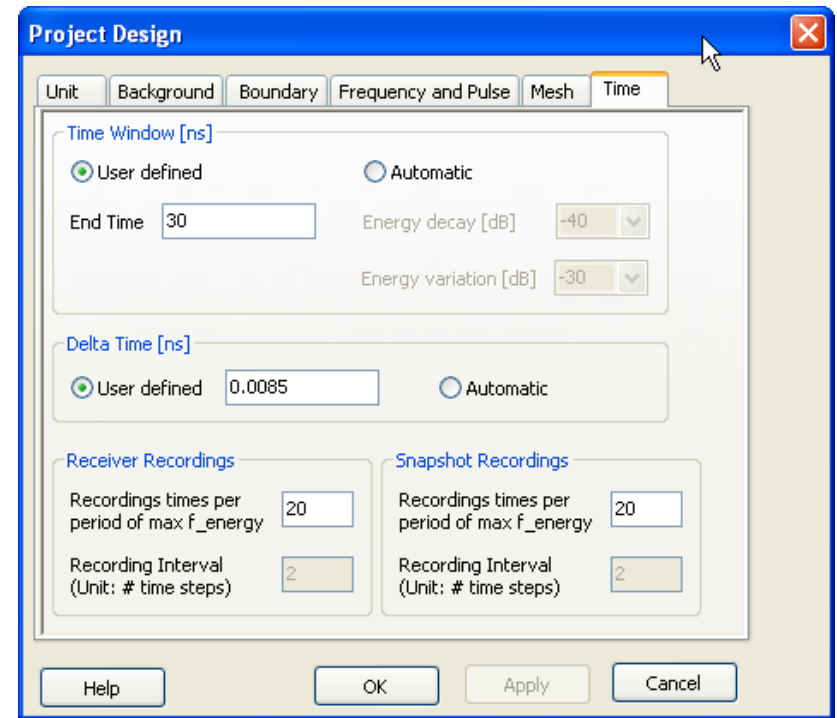


In this case, we use 0th order BHW wideband signal. And we set up the size of sphere about one wavelength of the frequency which has the maximum energy in this wideband excitation. 30 cm sphere $\rightarrow 1\lambda \approx 30\text{ cm} \rightarrow f_{\text{max_energy}} \approx 1\text{ GHz}$.

In our setup, we set $f_{\text{max}} = 2.76\text{ GHz}$.



Sampling density is set to be 14 points per wavelength



Because for time-reversal case, we only want to check the transient result. So, we manually set up the simulation time window as 30 ns.

For the FDTD method, a high accurate scattered field can be obtained by **incident & total field cases** if these two cases use the same Δt and mesh.

Here, we set Δt as 0.0085 ns.

6. Setup an ideal dipole source.

Edit Existing Source

Name: Type:

Location (x, y, z): Polarization:

Excitation Pulse

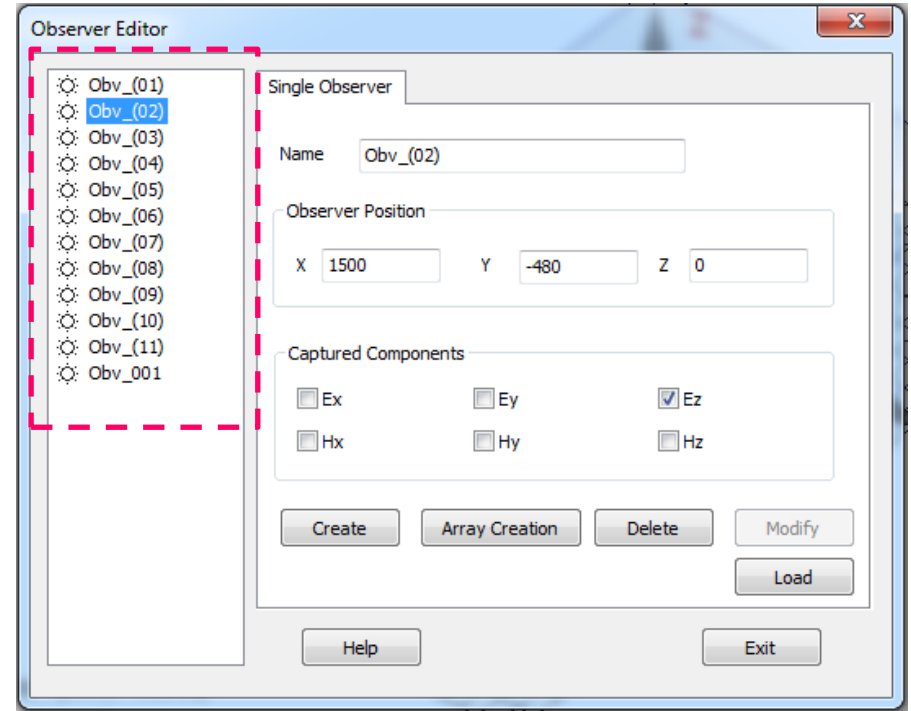
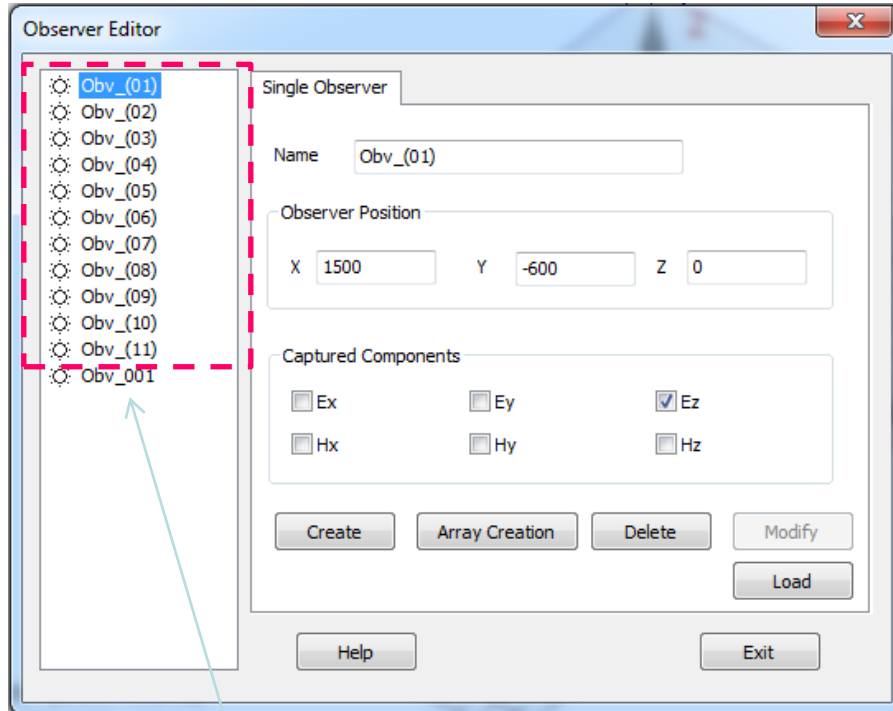
Use project pulse

Use individual pulse

Amplitude:

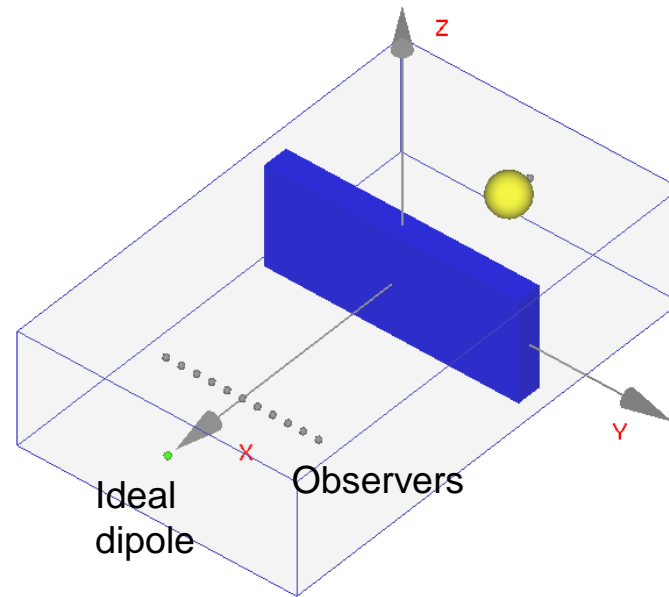
7. Setup point observers.

Eleven observers in a line with a distance of 120 mm. Recording Ez field only.



Obv_001 is for monitoring only. It is not a part of [reverse-radiation](#) array.

8. Simulate the case to obtain **the total field** on observers.

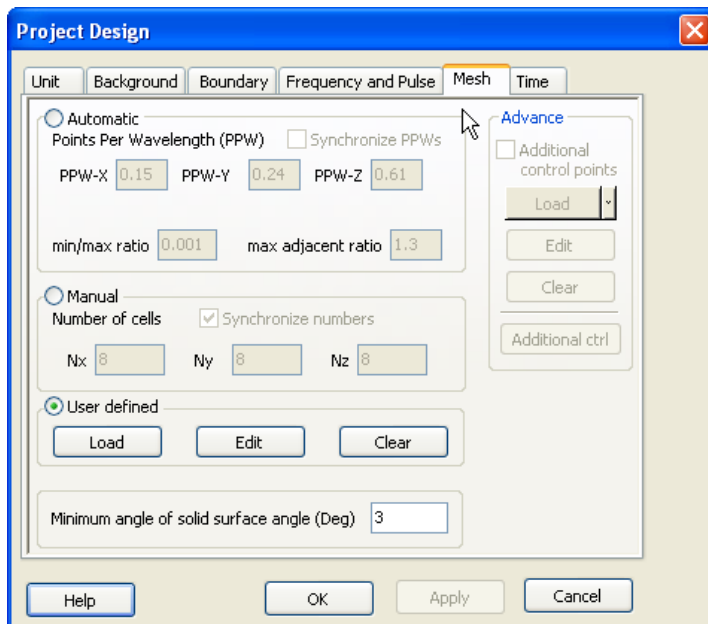


9. Setup a case to obtain the incident field on observers.

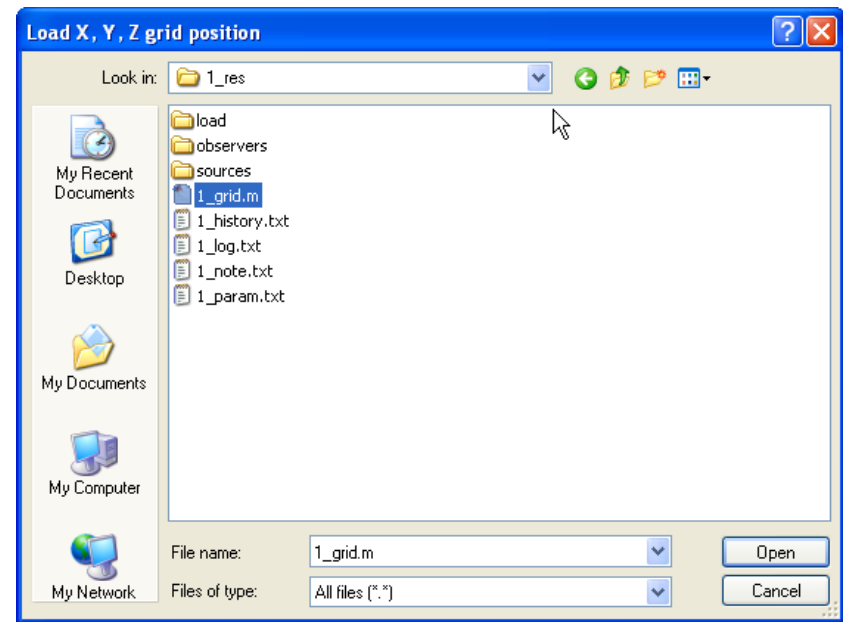
9.1 Create a new sub-folder under `single_wall_single_target` as `inc`. Use `SaveAs` function to save the total field case to `inc` sub-folder with name `1`.

9.2 Remove PEC sphere, or change the material of sphere as background material `air`.

9.3 We need to let this case has the same mesh as the total field case. But due to the sphere does not exist. If we use `Automatic` meshing method, we cannot generate the same mesh as the total field case. Thus, we need to load the mesh directly from the total field case.

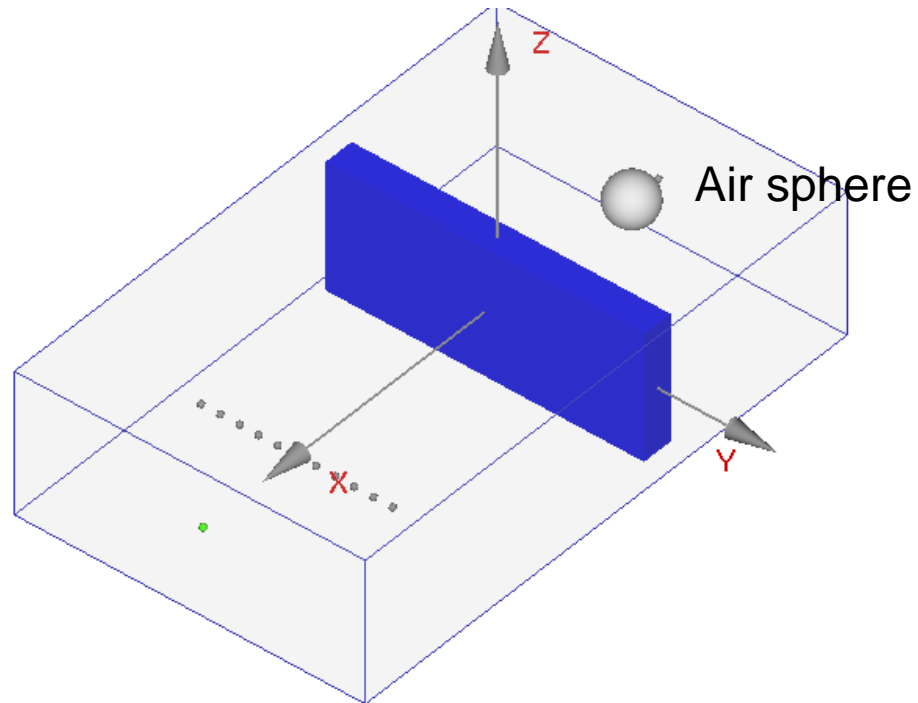


Switch to “User defined” mesh option, press “Load” button



In file dialog, goto `single_wall_single_target\tot\1_res\`, there is a file “`1_grid.m`”, which has the mesh information of the total field case, load this mesh into this incident field case.

10. Simulate this **incident field case** to obtain **the incident field** on observers.



11. Calculate the scattered field from [the total field case](#) and [the incident field case](#).

$$E_{\text{sct}} = E_{\text{tot}} - E_{\text{inc}}$$

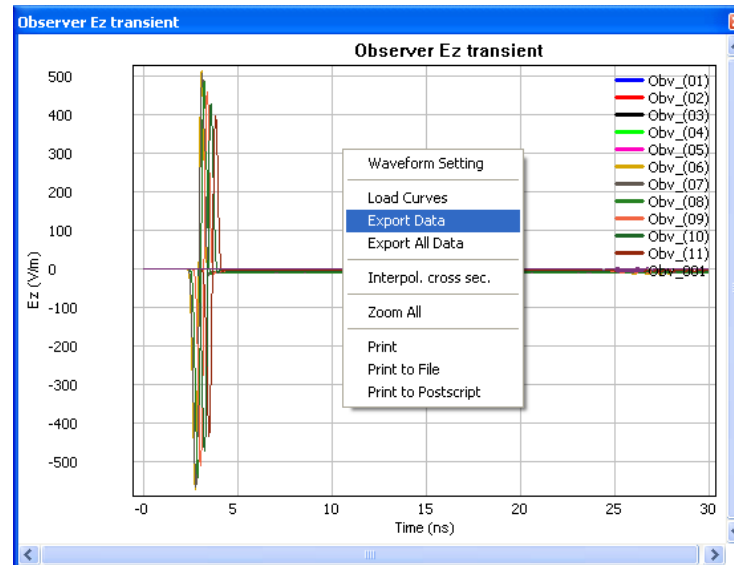
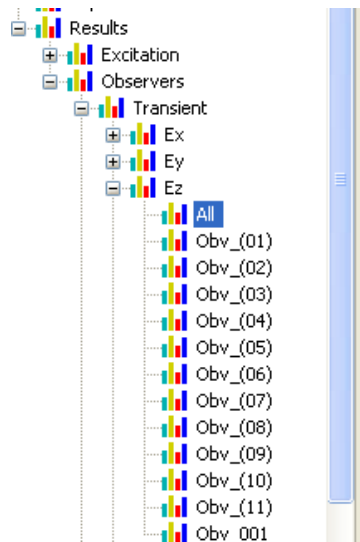
E_{tot} is the total field, from the result on the observers in [the total field case](#). E_{inc} is the incident field, from the result on the observers in [the incident field case](#).

In this case, the \mathbf{z} polarized dipole source makes the \mathbf{z} component in the case is the dominant component. Therefore, in our time-reversal case, we will use E_z to reverse-radiate only.

The transient received signal on receiver can be obtained by two methods:

- 1) Export from 2D result canvas.
- 2) Directly use the simulation result data files.

A. Export Data from 2D result canvas.
For example, we will export Ez on all receivers.



Double click this tree-node

On 2D canvas, right click mouse to get this menu. Export all data curves.

Data format of export data file, it is compatible for *Matlab* ASCII data file.

```
%Wave Computation Technologies simulation waveform data, version 3.0
%created at 08/23/12 21:55:00 in GMT
%=====
%Title   Observer Ez transient
%X-Lin   1e-009   Unit:ns
%Y-Lin   1   Unit:V/m
%Sub-Title Obv_(01)
```

Header

1st curve name

```
1766 1766 %Size Nx=Ny
0.0000000e+000 0.0000000e+000
1.7000000e-002 0.0000000e+000
3.4000000e-002 0.0000000e+000
5.1000000e-002 0.0000000e+000
6.8000000e-002 0.0000000e+000
8.5000000e-002 0.0000000e+000
1.0200000e-001 0.0000000e+000
1.1900000e-001 0.0000000e+000
1.3600000e-001 0.0000000e+000
1.5300000e-001 0.0000000e+000
1.7000000e-001 0.0000000e+000
```

How many data (rows) in this curve + real data. 1st column is time, 2nd column is magnitude.

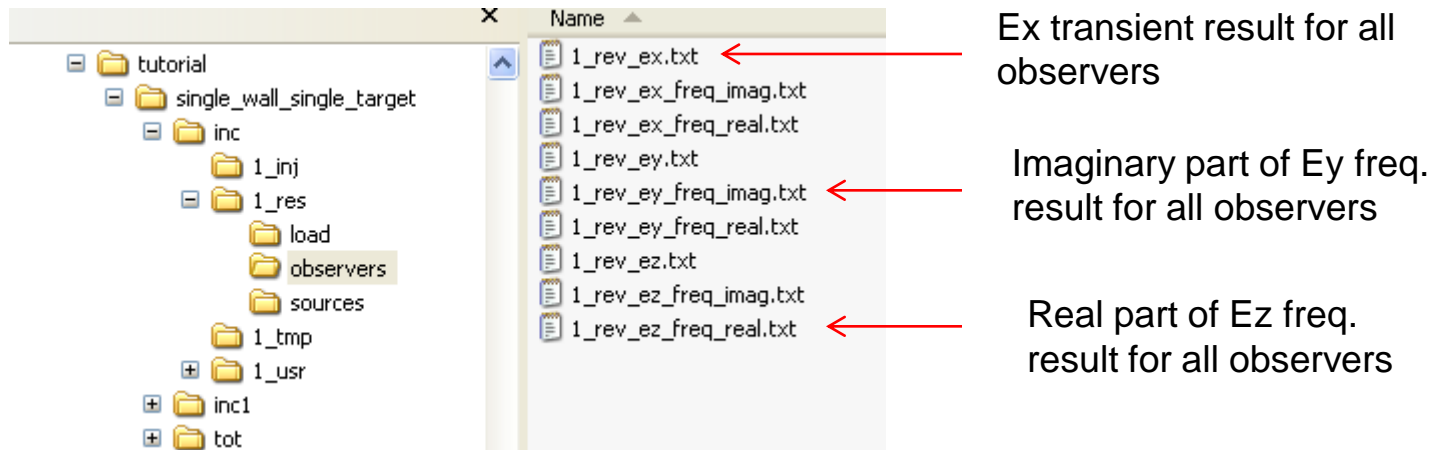
For this curve, there are 1766 recorded data. It means the 1766 rows after the line “1766 1766 %Size Nx=Ny“ is the real data for curve 1.

```
%Sub-Title Obv_(02)
1766 1766 %Size Nx=Ny
0.0000000e+000 0.0000000e+000
1.7000000e-002 0.0000000e+000
...
```

2nd curve, same format as curve 1

B. Directly use the simulation result data files.

The simulation result for each case has following structure:



x_res is simulation result folder. (**x** is project name)

The sub-folder “**observers**” has all results for observers

Data format of simulation data file, it is compatible for **Matlab** ASCII data file.

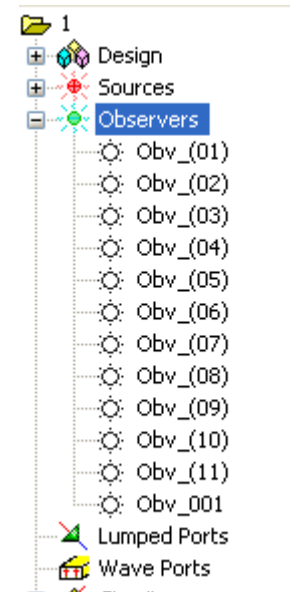
```
%Wave Computation Technologies simulation waveform data, version 1.0 ::  
%Time (ns)  
%frames number  
12  
%frame start  
0  
%frame end  
3.0005e-008  
%frame step  
1.7e-011  
%frame length  
1766  
0.0000000e+000  
0.0000000e+000  
0.0000000e+000  
...  
0.0000000e+000  
0.0000000e+000  
0.0000000e+000  
0.0000000e+000  
...  
0.0000000e+000
```

Information for all curves.
All curves has the same length with the same uniform interval.

1766 rows for the first curve.

1766 rows for the second curve.

Note: the curve index is the same as that shown in the project tree.



Following matlab code shows how to calculate the Ez_sct from the simulation data files directly, then reverse the time of the Ez_sct. (This matlab file for this code is [single_wall_single_target\sct_reverse_time.m](#))

```

clear all;

%% load total field
Etot_tx = load( '\tot\1_res\observers\1_rev_ez.txt' );
nFrame = Etot_tx( 1 );
t0 = Etot_tx( 2 );
t1 = Etot_tx( 3 );
dt = Etot_tx( 4 );
nLen = Etot_tx( 5 );
Etot_tx = reshape( Etot_tx(6:end), nLen, nFrame );

%% load incident field
Einc_tx = load( '\inc\1_res\observers\1_rev_ez.txt' );
Einc_tx = reshape( Einc_tx(6:end), nLen, nFrame );

%% resampling
ND = 1;
Etot_tx = Etot_tx( 1:ND:end, : );
Einc_tx = Einc_tx( 1:ND:end, : );

dt = dt * ND;
nLen = length( Etot_tx( :, 1 ) );
t = [0:(nLen-1)] * dt;
t = t';

%% make transient scattered field
Esct_tx = (Etot_tx - Einc_tx);
Esct_tx_1 = flipud( Esct_tx ); % reverse the result time

%% assume you will create Z field only
fid = fopen( 'Z_field.txt', 'w' );

fprintf( fid, '%Wave Computation Technologies simulation waveform data, version 3.0\n' );
fprintf( fid, '%created at 08/21/12\n' );
fprintf( fid, '%===== \n' );
fprintf( fid, '%Title      User defined pulse\n' );
fprintf( fid, '%X-Lin   1   Unit: \n' );
fprintf( fid, '%Y-Lin   1   Unit: \n' );

for k = 1 : 11,
    tt = [ t Esct_tx_1(:,k) ];

    fprintf( fid, '%Sub-Title  Obv_(%02d)\n', k );          %% assign trace name to match a
    source
    fprintf( fid, '%dt %dt %%Size Nx=Ny\n', nLen, nLen ); %% this pulse length

    for j = 1 : nLen,
        fprintf( fid, '%g\t %g\t\n', tt( j, 1 ), tt( j, 2 ) );
    end;
end;

fclose( fid );

```

Part 2: Project for the time-reversal imaging

1. Set up the reverse-radiation case.

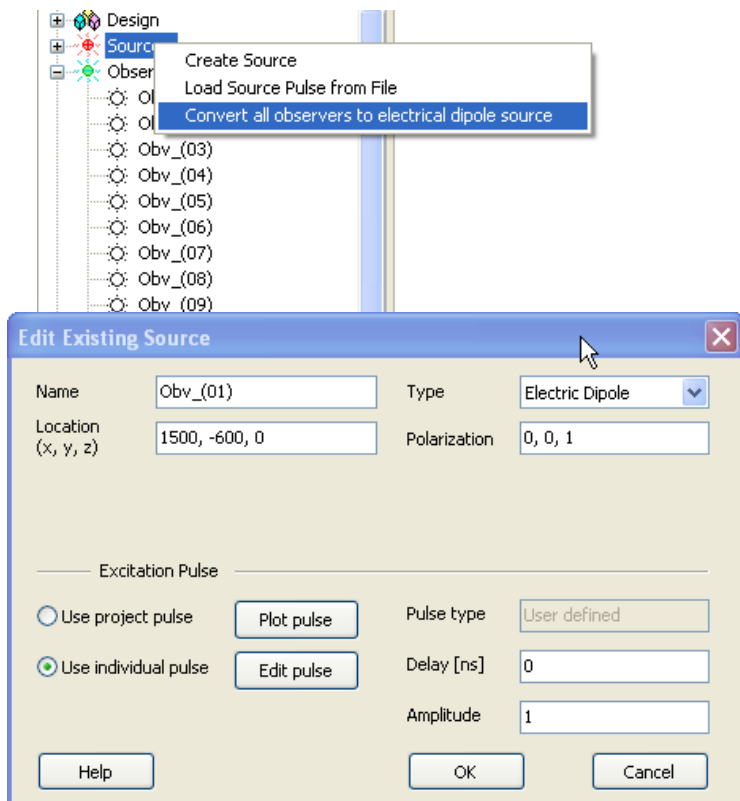
- 1) SaveAs the incident case to sub-folder “inc1” with name 1.
- 2) delete the original source “source1”
- 3) convert all observers to dipole source (except the observer Obv_001)

WCT GUI provides a menu to simplify this operation.

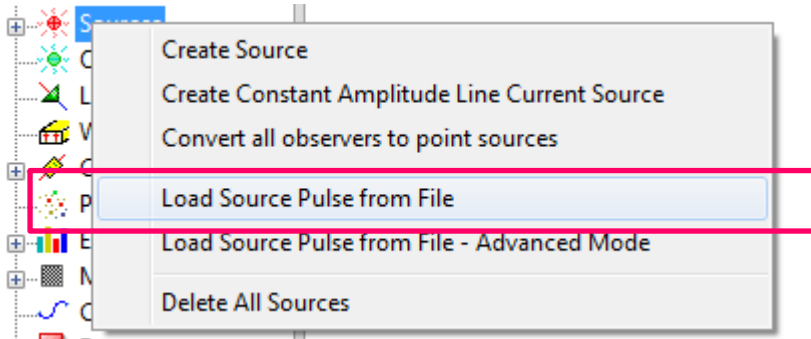
Right click mouse button on tree-node “Source”, there is menu item “Convert all observers to electrical dipole source”.

This is the converted source with z polarization.

Due to the receiver is capturing single component only, the conversion make the new sources have the same name of the original receivers.



4) Load excitations for all new sources.

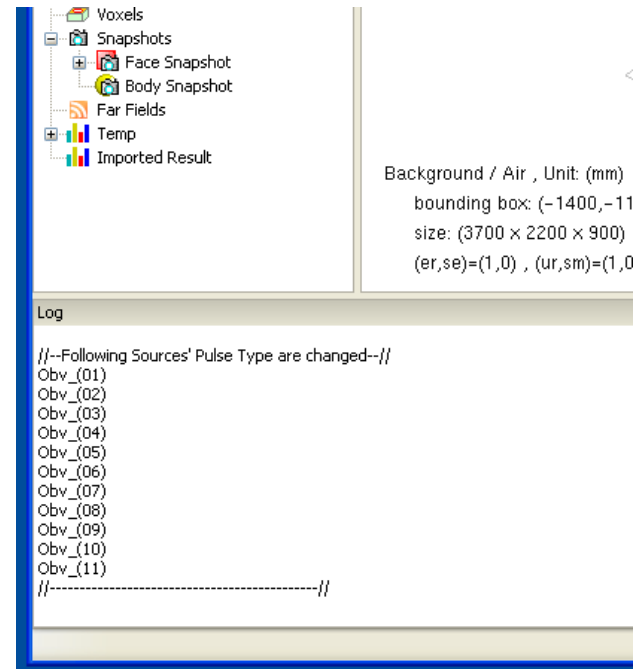


WCT GUI provides a menu to simplify this operation.

Right click mouse button on tree-node “Source”, and use menu item “Load Source Pulse from File” load the reversed-time Ez_sct as the source pulse.

Select the file we create in [the previous page](#), load the pulse for all sources.

This function uses the name of curve in the file to match the source name. WCT GUI will report how many curve has been successfully loaded.



By checking the source pulse, all source pulse become “User defined”

Edit Existing Source

Name: Obv_(01) Type: Electric Dipole

Location (x, y, z): 1500, -600, 0 Polarization: 0, 0, 1

Excitation Pulse

Use project pulse Use individual pulse

Plot pulse Edit pulse

Pulse type: User defined

Delay [ns]: 0

Amplitude: 1

Buttons: Help, OK, Cancel

Source Pulse and Frequency

Frequency Range [GHz]

Min. Freq. (fmin): 0.0888325

Max. Freq. (fmax): 2.38227

Plot Pulse

Source Pulse

Pulse Type: User defined

Min. Freq. [GHz]: 0.0888325

Max. Freq. [GHz]: 2.38227

Number of data: 1766

Choose a file: C:\ymq\wavenology\Installation Version(2.8.3)\gui\tes

Modulation:

Freq. (fm): 0.505

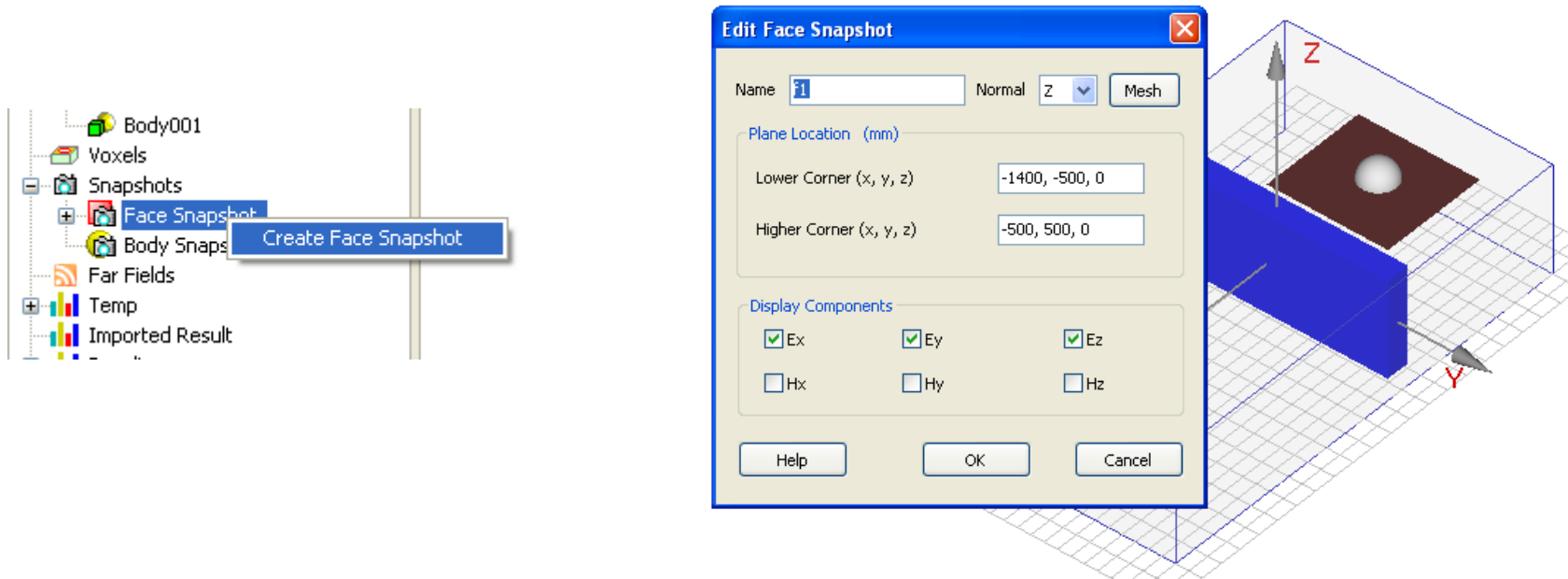
Center Phase [deg]: 0

(Note: fm=(fmin+fmax)/2)

Buttons: Help, OK, Apply, Cancel

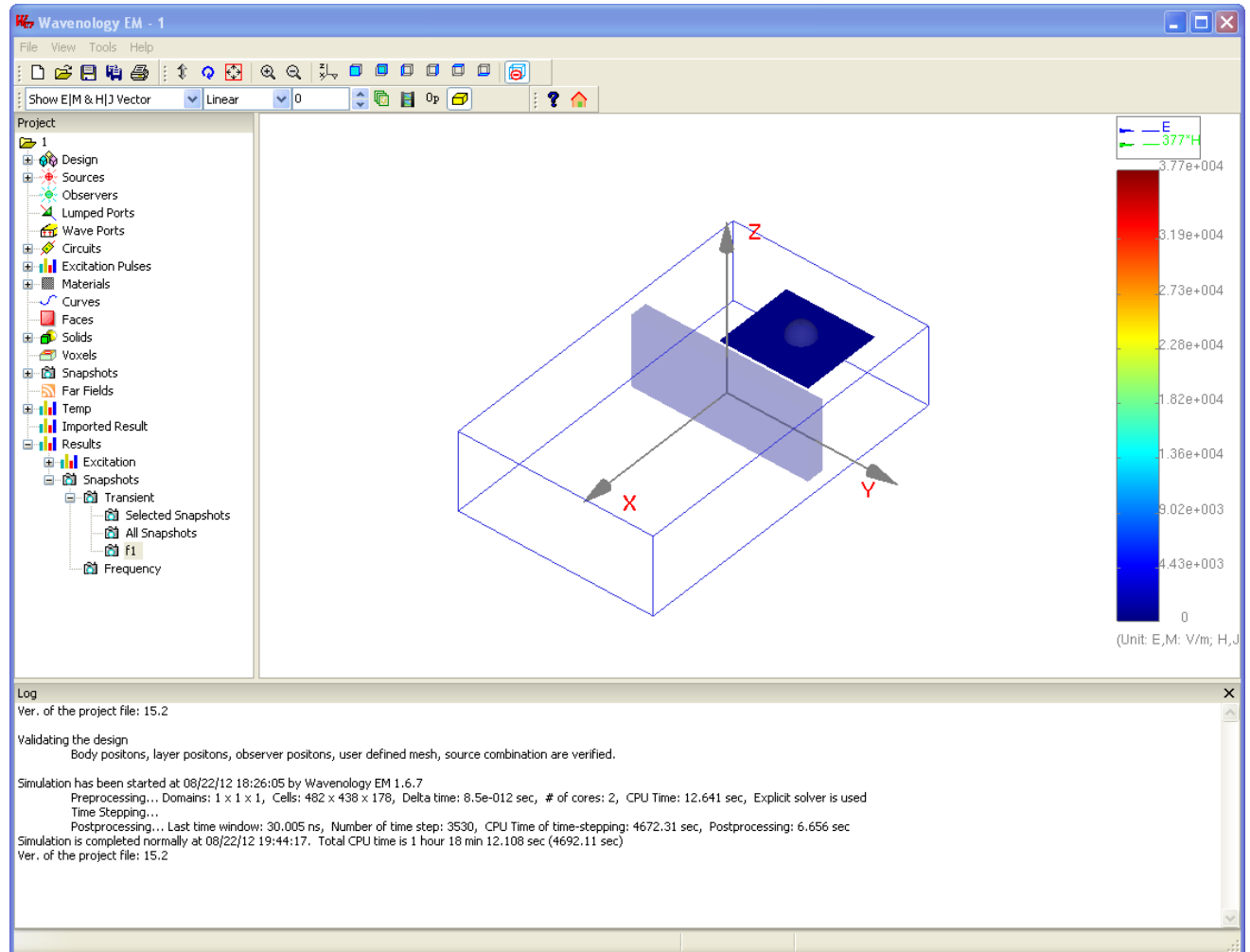
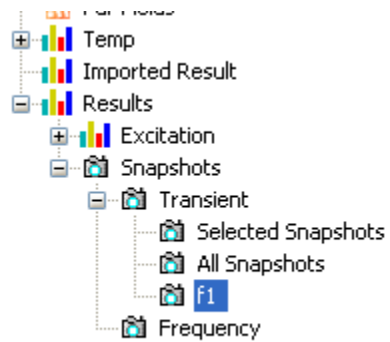
2. User can modify the computation size, mesh and time to reduce simulation time. But this is an optional setup, user can still keep all setups.

3. Define 2D face snapshot to record the result.



15. Simulate the case.

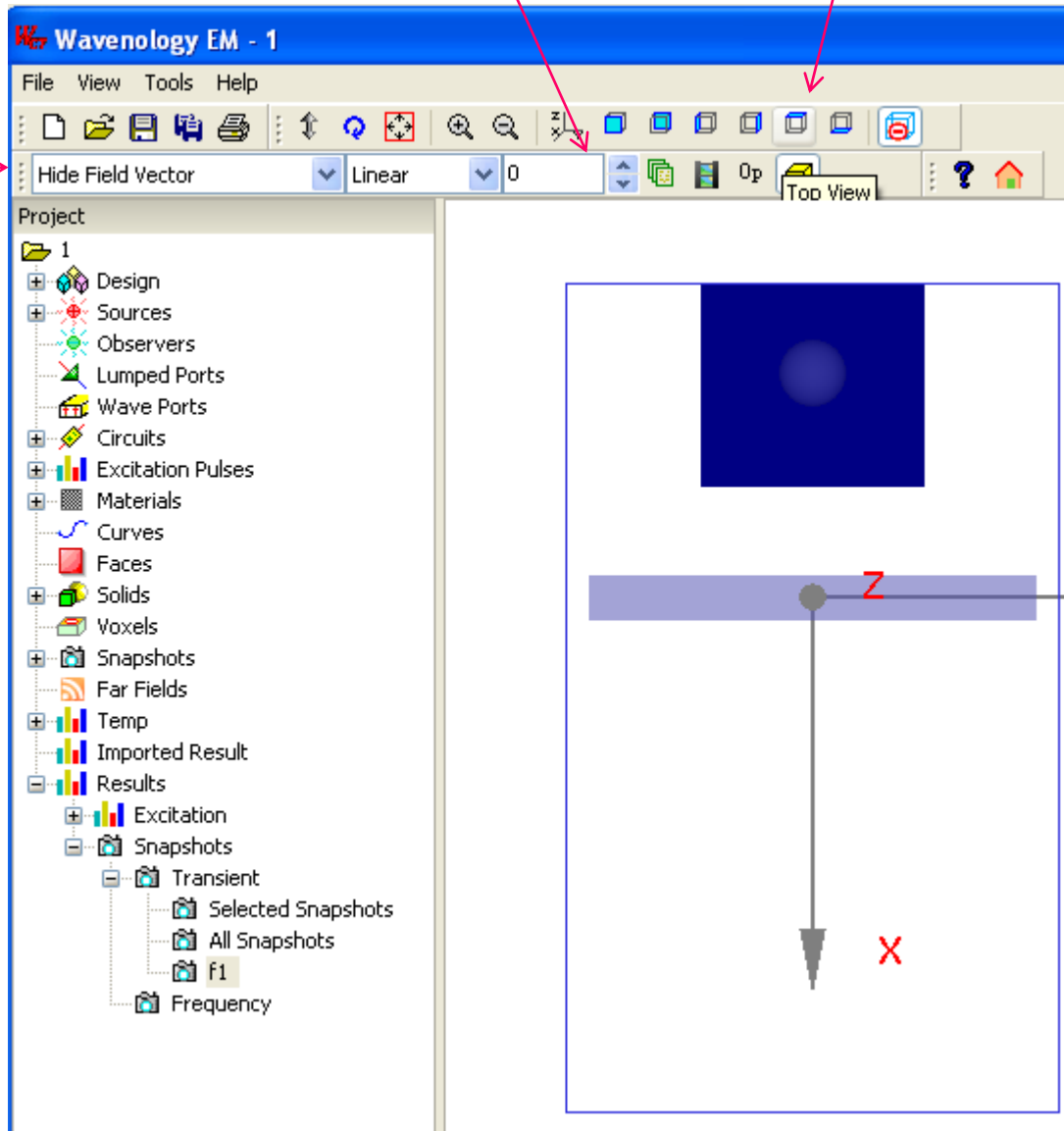
4. Check the result by watching the snapshot.

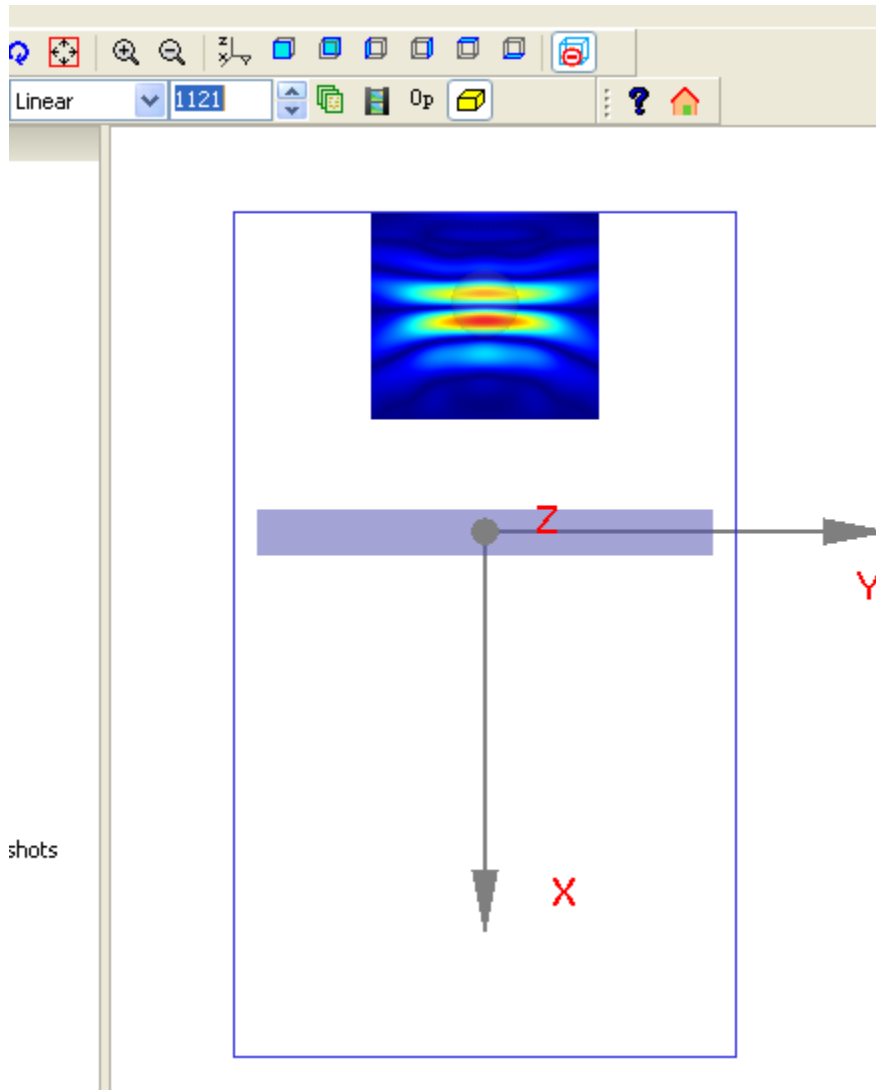


Hide 3D field vector

Change frame index to watch how wave propagate

Top view



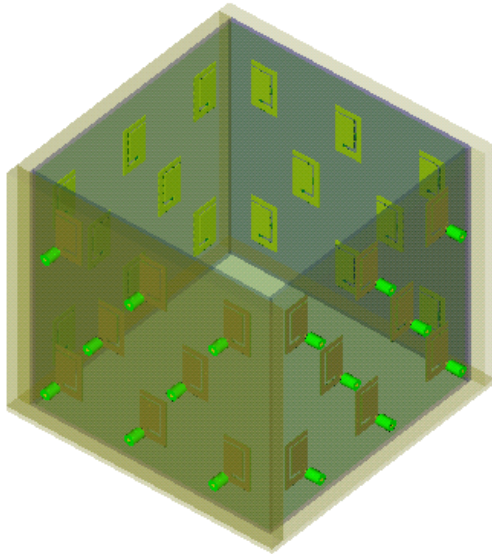


A strong focus on sphere can be seen at frame #1121

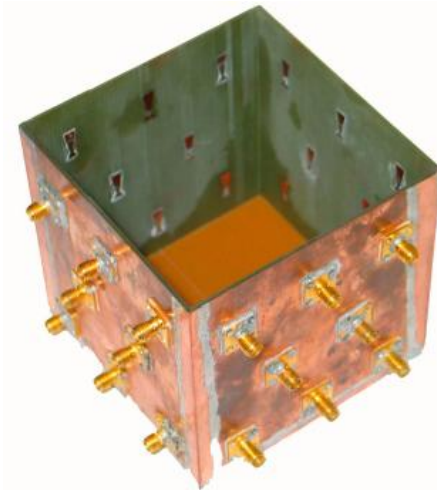
Case (2): Detect a Object in a Chamber by an Antenna Array

EM Solver

This case shows how to setup a time-reversal case with an antenna array. We will demo how to locate a target in the chamber by the time-reversal method.



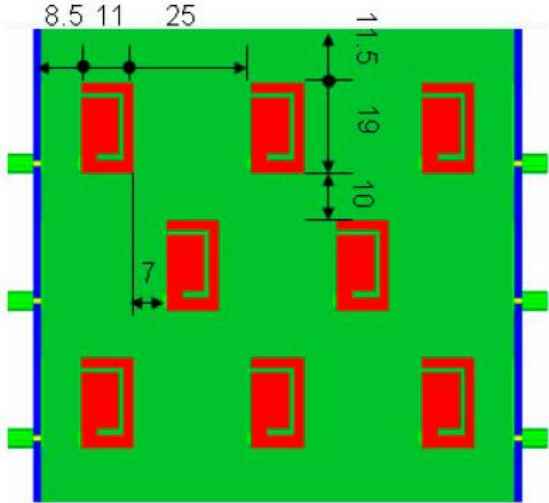
The simulated chamber model composed by an PIFA Antenna Array



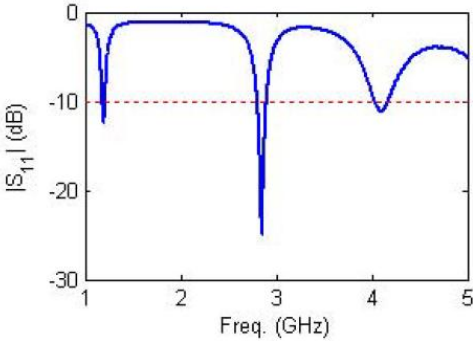
An reference physical Chamber composed by an Bowtie Antenna Array

The antenna array is built on a rectangular chamber with 5 PCB panels (the material of PCB board is FR4). The chamber is open at the +z direction.

The chamber size is $10 \times 10 \times 10 \text{ cm}^3$, filled by a fluid ($\epsilon_r=5$, $\sigma=0.01 \text{ S/m}$). There are 8 Planar Inverted F Antennas (PIFA) fabricated on each panel, totally 32 antennas in the chamber.



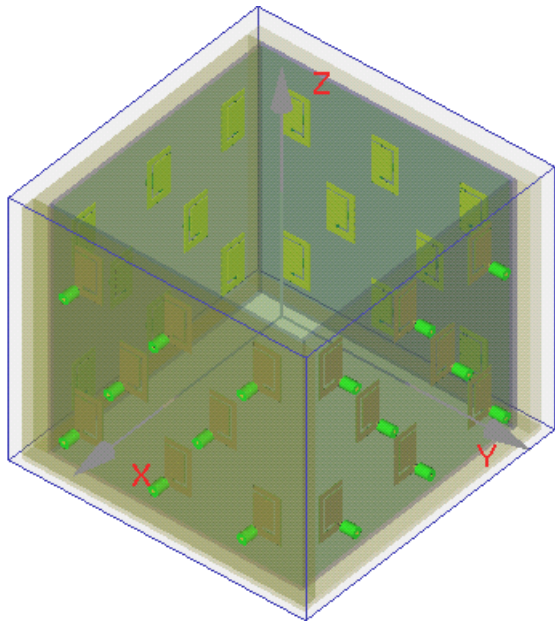
Antennas layout in a panel



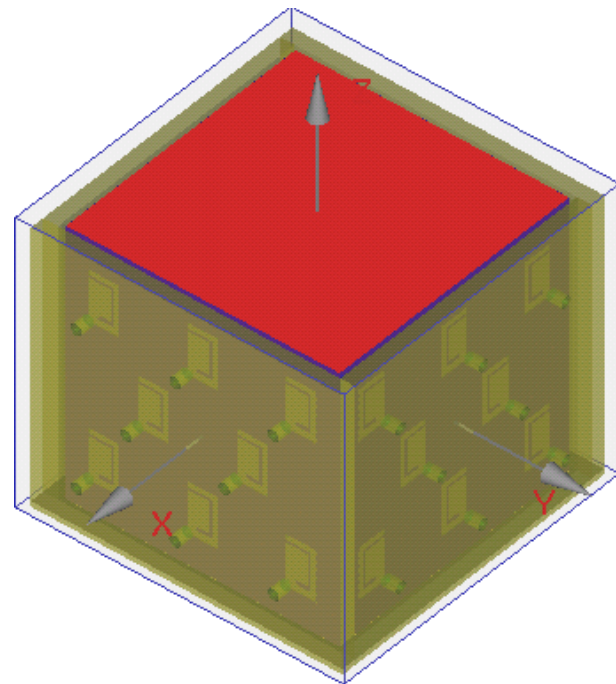
S_{11} of PIFA antenna

Because this chamber model is complicated. Thus, in this demo, we will not discuss how to build this model and just use this model.

Assume that we already have the chamber filled with fluid, we will show how to modify this model to simulate a time reversal-case.



Chamber with fluid (Fluid is set as transparent).



Fluid in the chamber (Fluid is highlighted by selection).

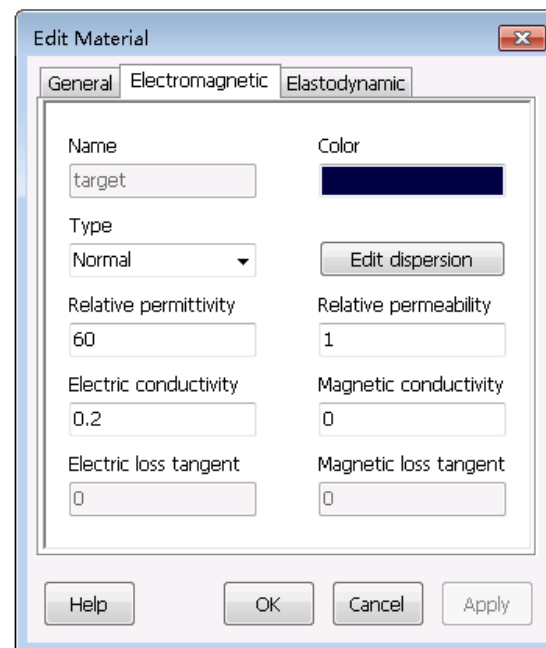
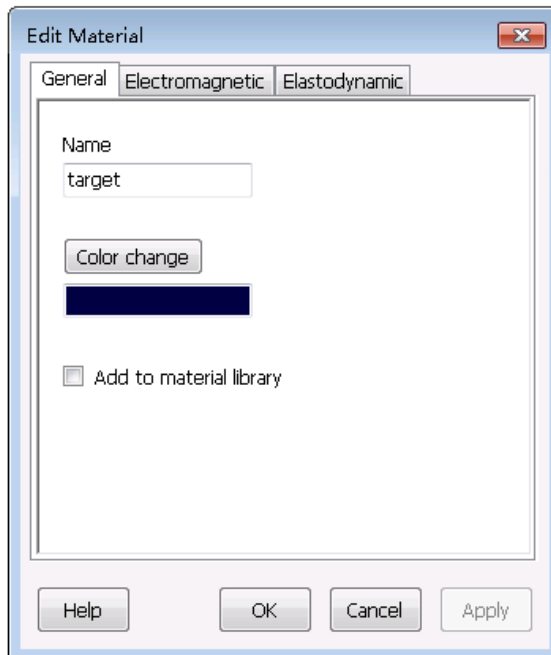
Similar to Case (1), we need to build three cases: the total field case, the incident field case and the reverse-radiation case.

Steps:

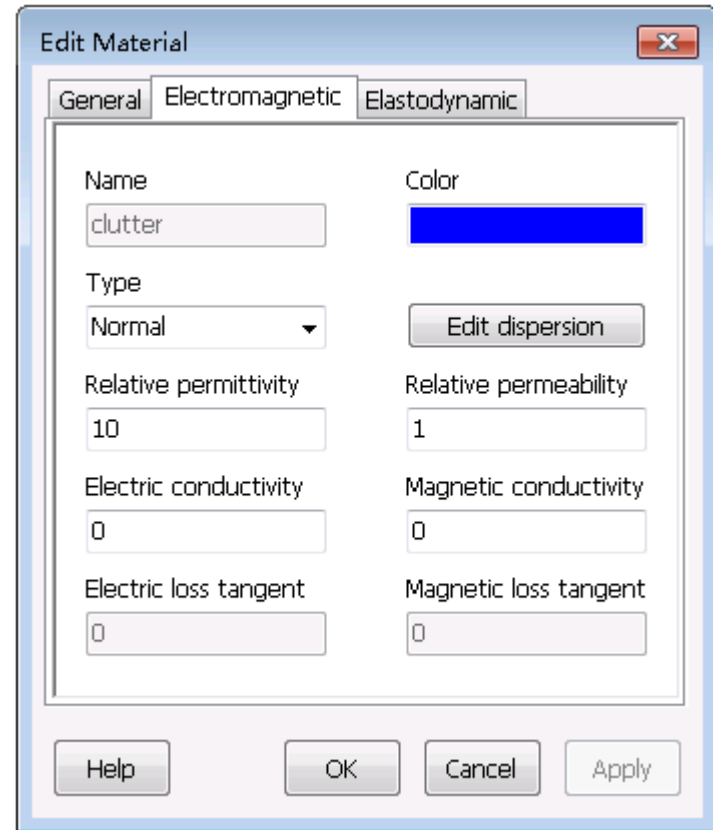
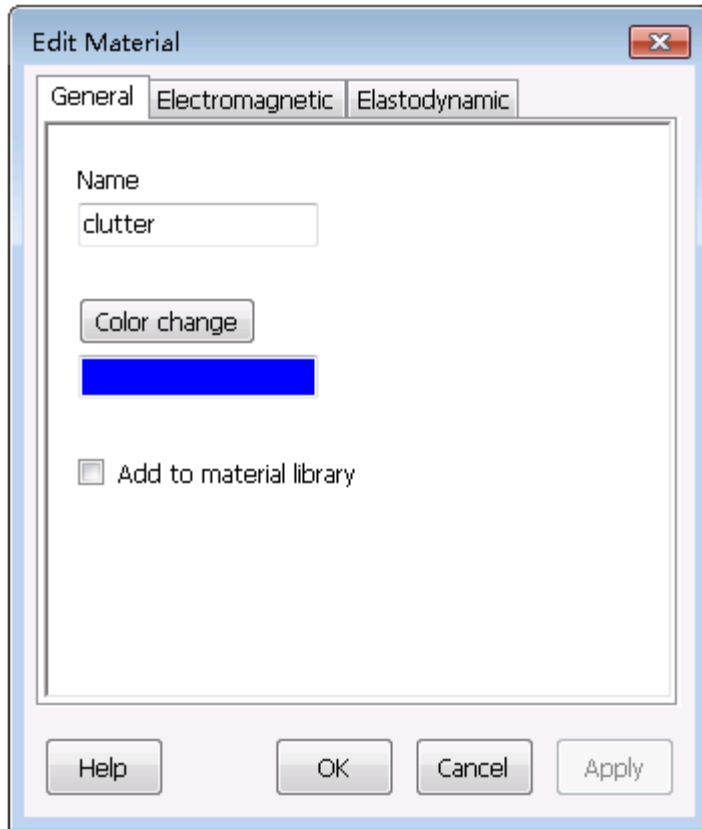
1. Assuming we have the chamber model case, we will build the total field case firstly.

SaveAs the chamber case to folder “time-reversal-chamber\tot\” with name “pifa_chamber”.

2. Define material for the target and the clutter.

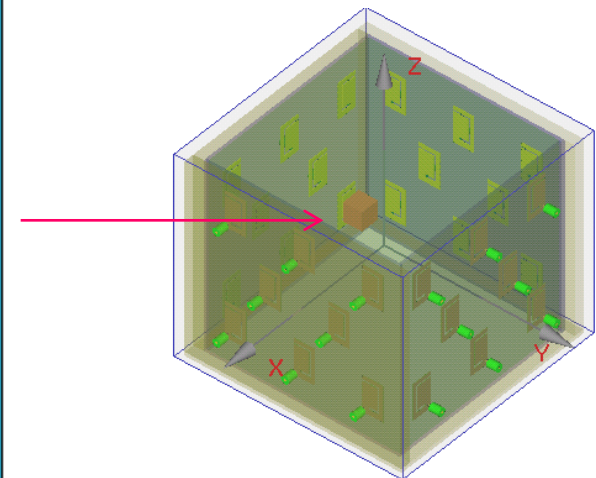
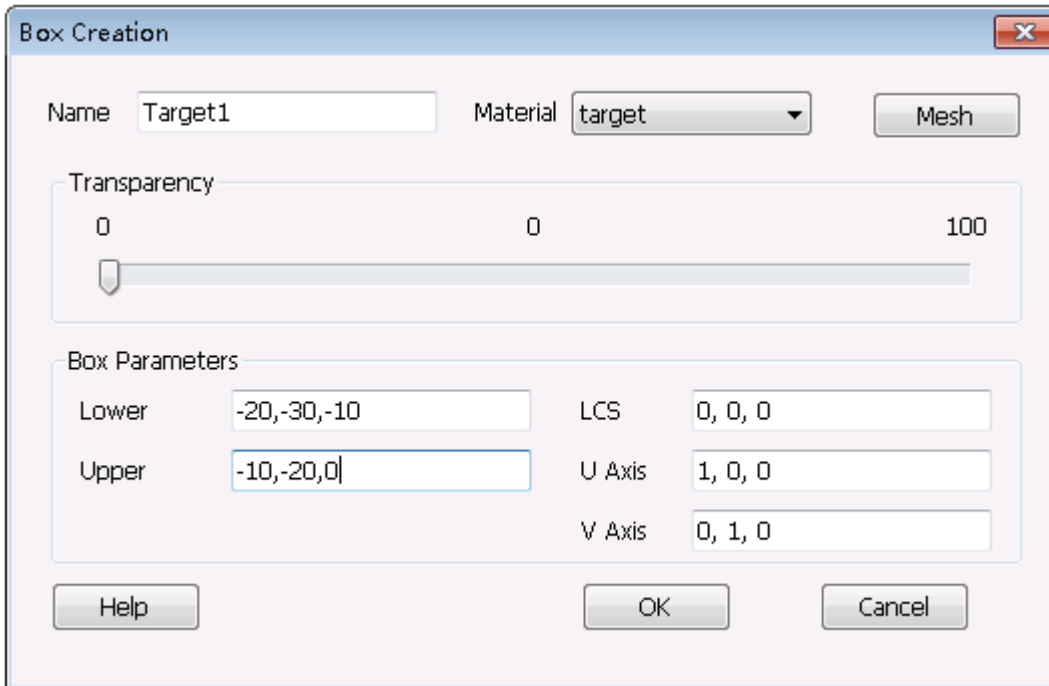


Material for target

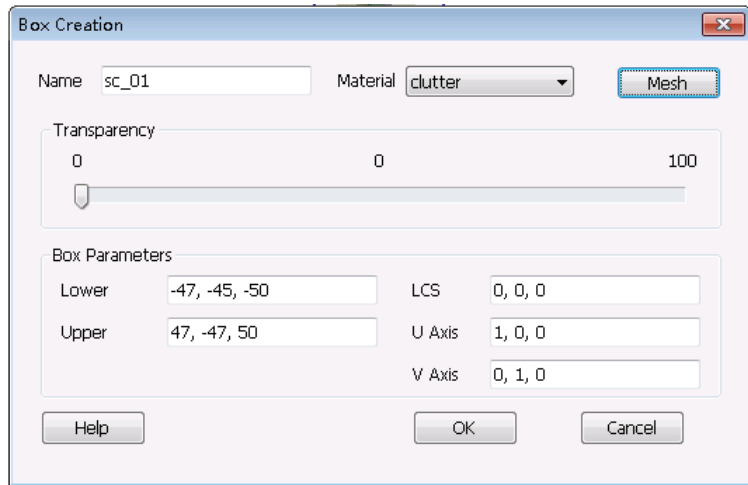


Material for clutter

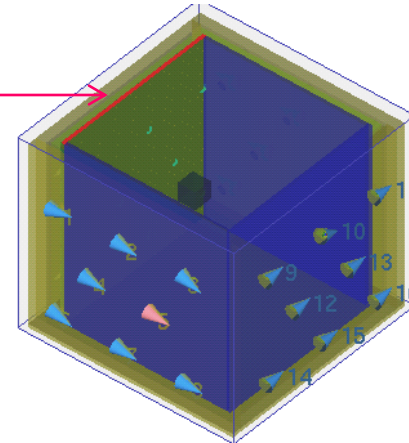
3. Insert a cubic target in the chamber.



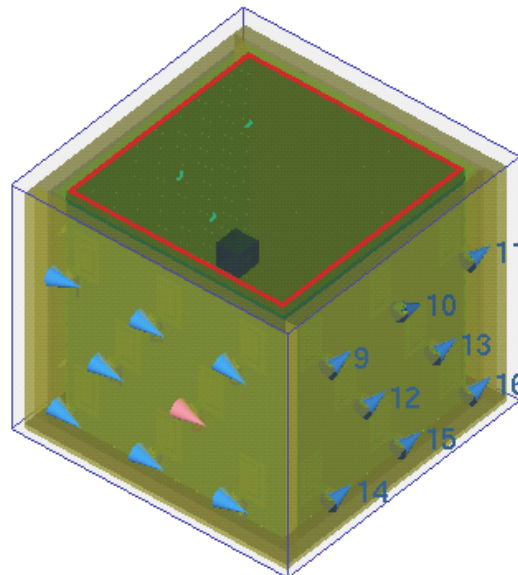
4. Insert four dielectric planes to work as clutter.



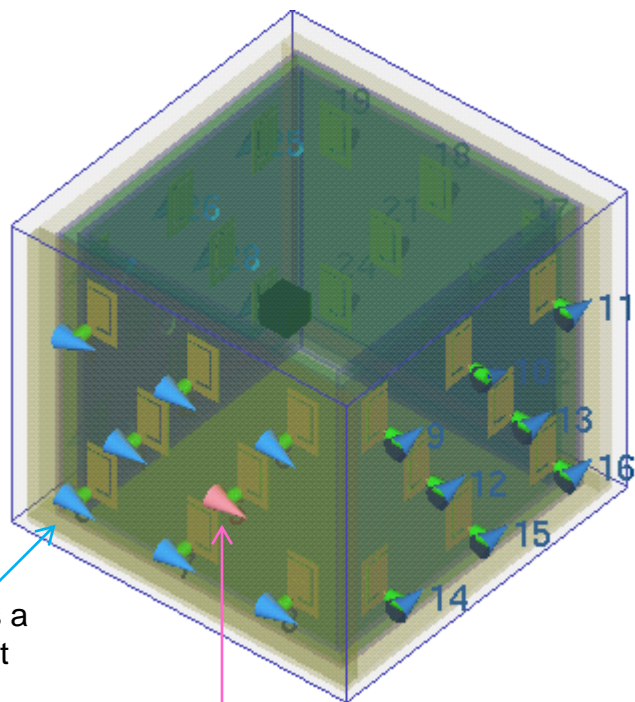
Plane 1



Four planes have been added.



5. Define the transmitting and receiving antennas. In this case, we use lumped port as the feeding port and receiving ports. Thus, there is one transmitting port and 31 receiving port.



Blue arrow is a receiving port

Purple arrow is a transmitting port



One terminal of the port is on the coax pin.

Another terminal of the port is on the PEC ground.

transmitting port

Lumped Port Editor

General
Name

Type
S Parameter Port: Source & Obs
 Plus AC Resistance
DC Resistance: 50
Plot Total Resistance (R=Rdc+Rac)
Edit AC Resistance

Excitation Pulse
 Use project pulse
Plot pulse
Delay [ns]: 0
 Use individual pulse
Edit pulse
Amplitude: 1

Positions
Negative (Start) Terminal: 57, 13.615, -7.59284
Positive (End) Terminal: 57, 17.7802, -8.09689
Reverse

Help OK Cancel

receiving port

Lumped Port Editor

General
Name

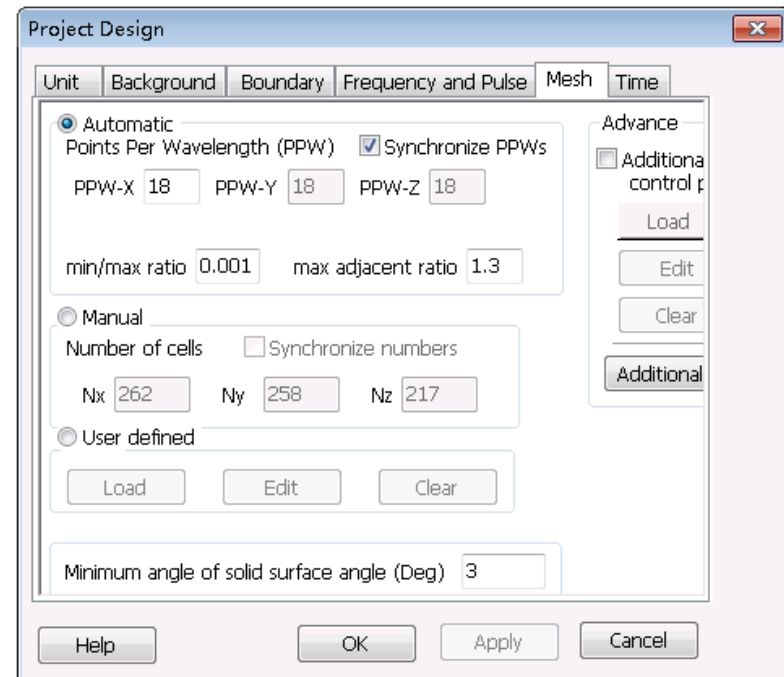
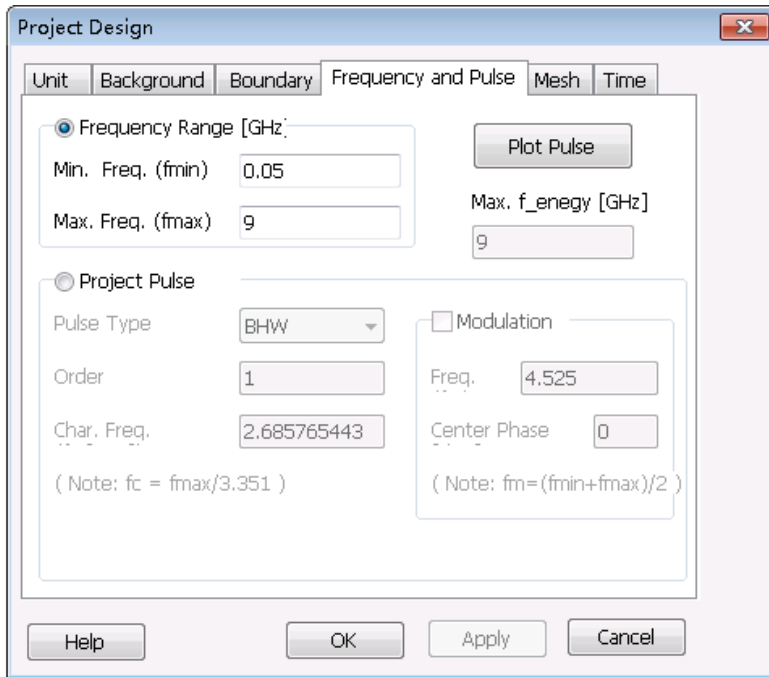
Type
S Parameter Port: Observer
 Plus AC Resistance
DC Resistance: 50
Plot Total Resistance (R=Rdc+Rac)
Edit AC Resistance

Excitation Pulse
 Use project pulse
Plot pulse
Delay [ns]: 0
 Use individual pulse
Edit pulse
Amplitude: 1

Positions
Negative (Start) Terminal: 57, -40.3528, 21.3628
Positive (End) Terminal: 57, -36.9104, 21.8555
Reverse

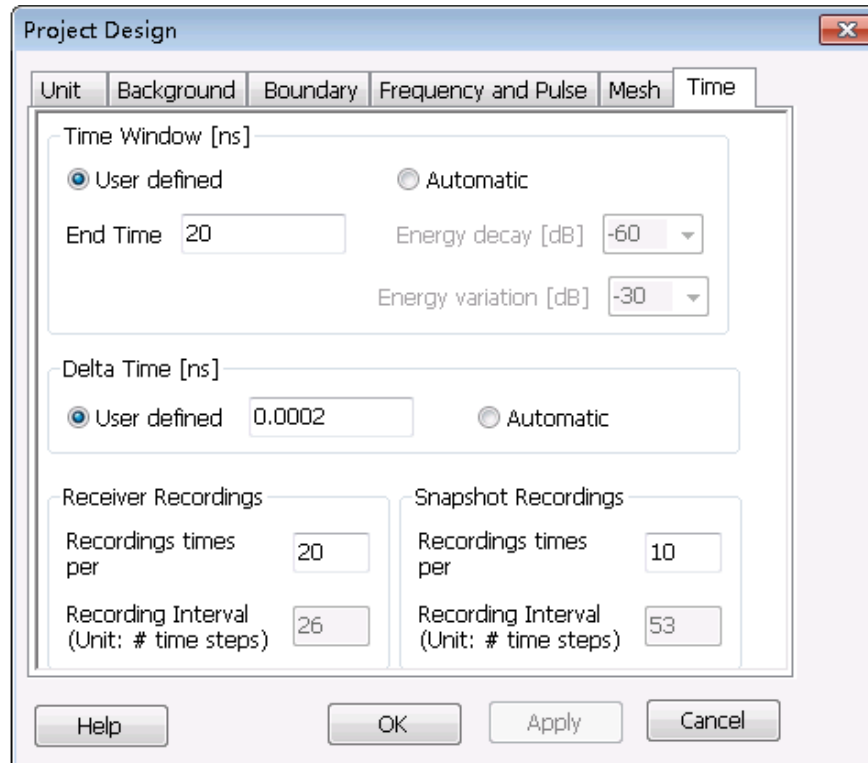
Help OK Cancel

6. Set up simulation pulse, mesh density and time.

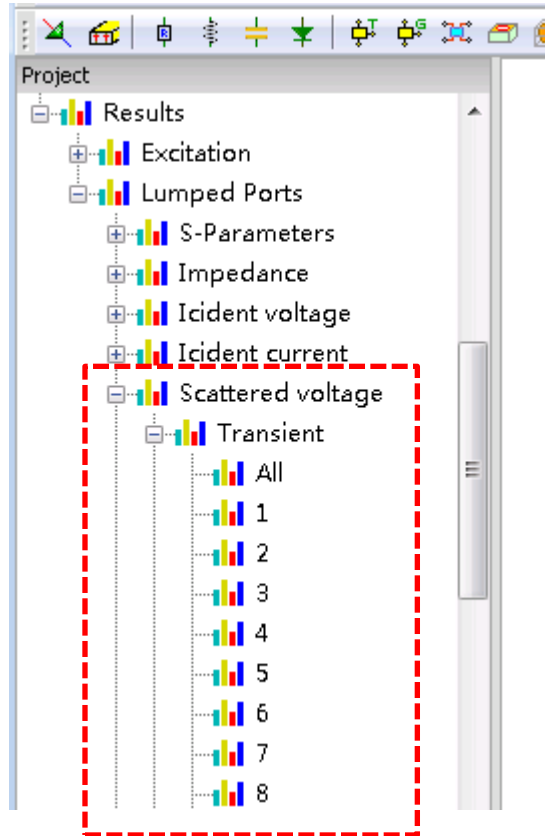


Here, we use 1st BHW wideband pulse as the source pulse.

Due to the antenna radiation freq. is about 2.7 GHz, we need to make the excitation pulse has a characteristic freq. around 2.7 GHz.



8. Simulate the case to obtain **the transient total voltage** on the receiving antennas.



Note: in WCT GUI, there is scattered voltage on the transmitting & receiving ports.

For receiving port, it has not excitation. Thus, the total voltage on port is the same as the scattered voltage.

*For this time-reversal case, in order to distinguish the voltage on the receiving port in the two cases (**with-target** & **without-target**), we call the scattered voltage for with-target case is **the total voltage**, the scattered voltage for with-target case is **the incident voltage**, in this demo.*

9. Setup a case to obtain [the incident voltage](#) on receiving antennas.

9.1 Create a new sub-folder under “[time-reversal-chamber](#)” as [inc](#). Use [SaveAs](#) function to save the total voltage case to [inc](#) sub-folder with name “[pifa_chamber](#)”.

9.2 Change the material of the target as fluid (oil).

9.3 We set this case having the same mesh as [the total voltage case](#), through loading the mesh directly from [the total voltage case](#). Detail information please refer to Page 18.

10. Simulate this [incident voltage case](#) to obtain [the incident voltage](#) on the receiving antennas.

11. Calculate the scattered voltage from [the total voltage case](#) and [the incident voltage case](#).

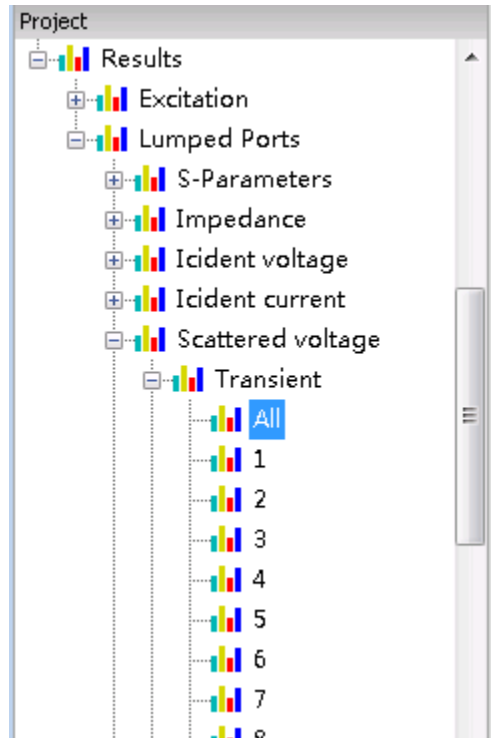
$$V_{\text{sct}} = V_{\text{tot}} - V_{\text{inc}}$$

V_{tot} is the total voltage, from the result on the receiving antennas in [the total voltage case](#). V_{inc} is the incident voltage, from the result on the receiving antennas in [the incident voltage case](#).

The transient voltage on the receiving antennas can be obtained by two methods:

- 1) Export from 2D result canvas.
- 2) Directly use the simulation result data files.

A. Export Data from 2D result canvas.

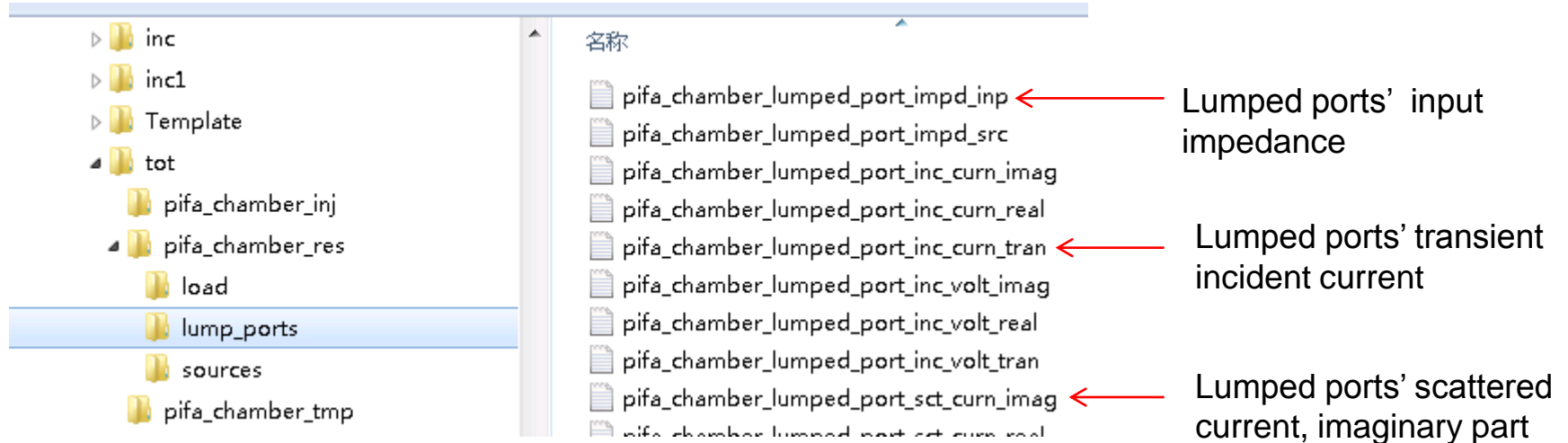


Double click this tree-node and export the data

Exported data file format is described on page 22.

B. Directly use the simulation result data files.

The simulation result for each case has following structure:



x_res is simulation result folder. (**x** is project name)

The sub-folder **“Lump_ports”** has all results for lumped ports, the scattered voltage has the file name **“x_lumped_port_sct_volt_tran.txt”**.

Data file format is described on page 24.

Following matlab code shows how to calculate the Vsct from the simulation data files directly. (This matlab file for this code is [time-reversal-chamber\sct_reverse_time.m](#))

```
clear all;

%% load incident field
Etot = load( '\tot\pifa_chamber_res\lump_ports\pifa_chamber_lumped_port_sct_volt_tran.txt' );
nFrame = Etot( 1 );
t0 = Etot( 2 );
t1 = Etot( 3 );
dt = Etot( 4 );
nLen = Etot( 5 );
Etot = reshape( Etot(6:end), nLen, nFrame );

%% load total field
Einc = load( '\inc\pifa_chamber_res\lump_ports\pifa_chamber_lumped_port_sct_volt_tran.txt' );
Einc = reshape( Einc(6:end), nLen, nFrame );

%% resampling
ND = 1;
Etot = Etot( 1:ND:end, : );
Einc = Einc( 1:ND:end, : );

dt = dt * ND;
nLen = length( Etot( :, 1 ) );
t = [0:(nLen-1)] * dt;
t = t';

Esct = Etot - Einc; %%% make transient scattered field

ids = [ 1 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 4 5 6 7 8 9 ];
% need mapping, because the export function of WCT use ASCII sequence. (Till current version 1.6)

for k = 1 : 32,
    tt = [ t flipud(Esct(:,k)*1e4) ];
    str = sprintf( 'pifa_chamber_user_lport_pulse_%0d.txt', ids(k) );

    fid = fopen( str, 'w' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%Wave Computation Technologies simulation waveform data, version 3.0\n' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%created at 11/06/10 04:21:37 in GMT\n' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%=====\n' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%Title    User defined pulse\n' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%X-Lin   1 Unit: \n' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%Y-Lin   1 Unit: \n' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%Sub-Title User defined pulse\n' );
    fprintf( fid, '%%d\t %d\t %%Size Nx=Ny\n', nLen, nLen );

    for j = 1 : nLen,
        fprintf( fid, '%g\t %g\t\n', tt( j, 1 ), tt( j, 2 ) );
    end;

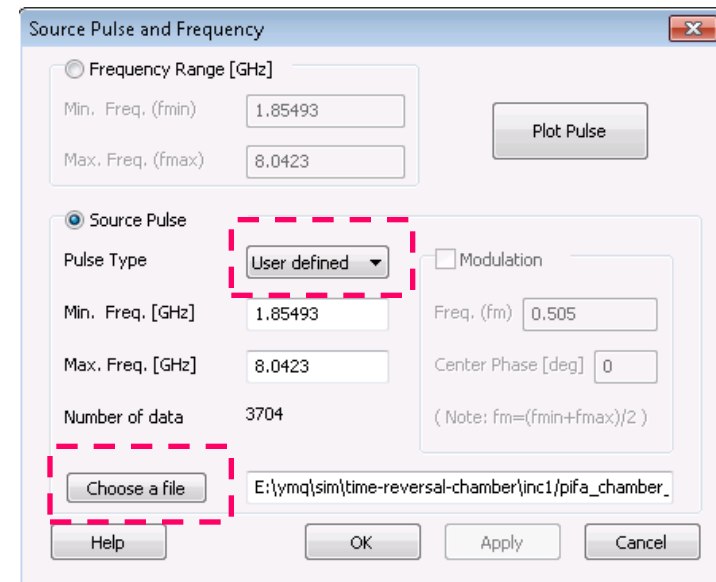
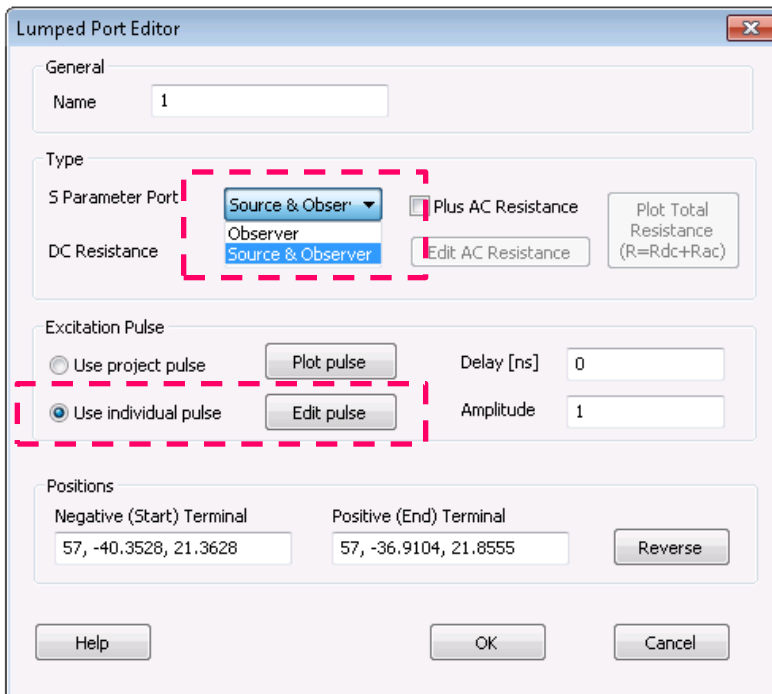
    fclose( fid );
End;
```

Note: This code generate 32 data files. Each file is corresponding to the scattered voltage of one port.

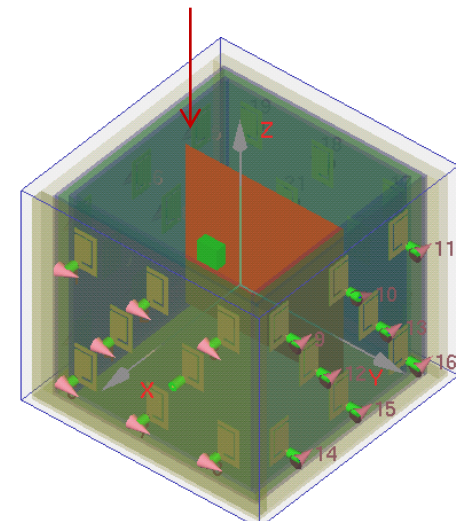
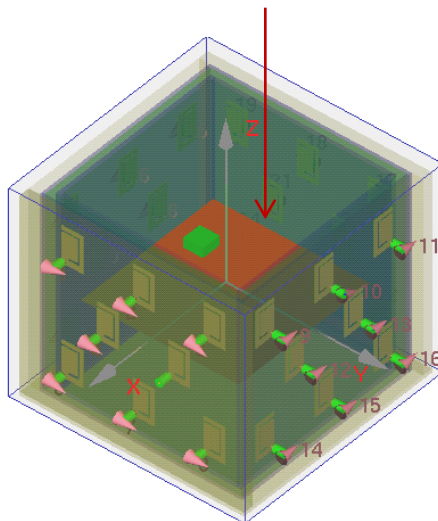
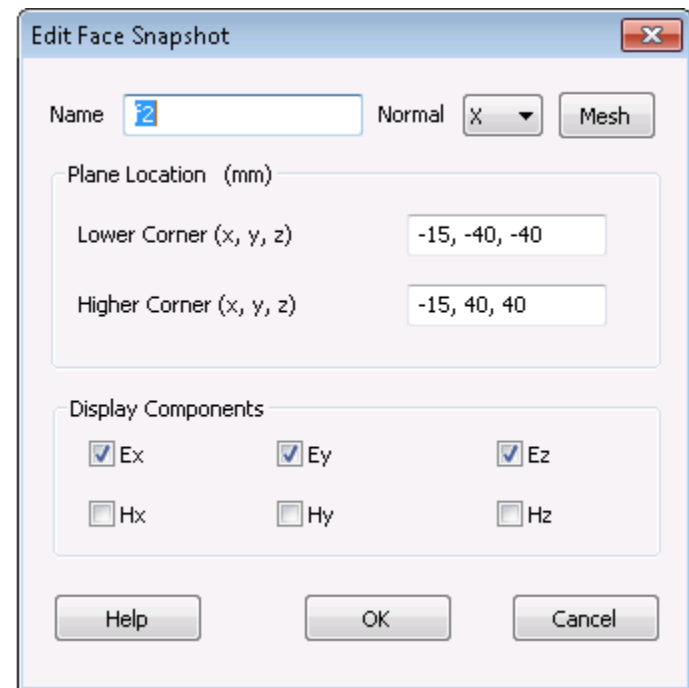
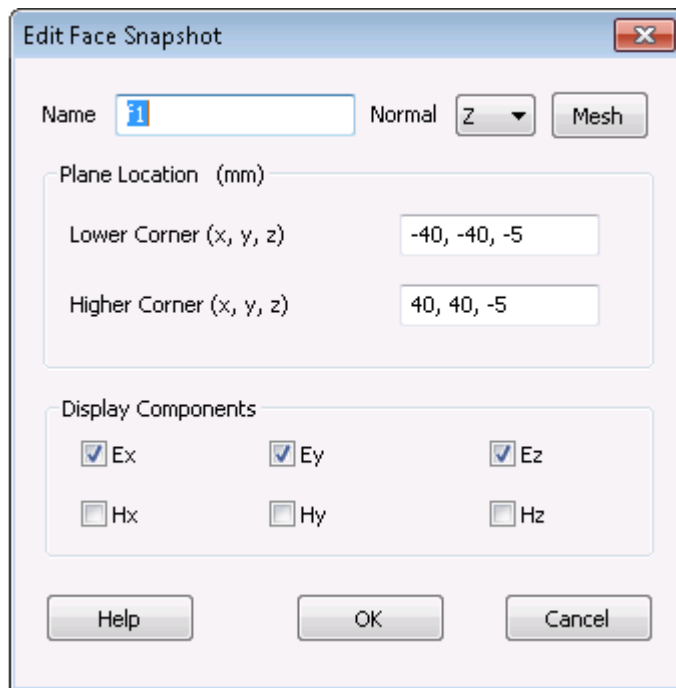
12. Set up the reverse-radiation case.

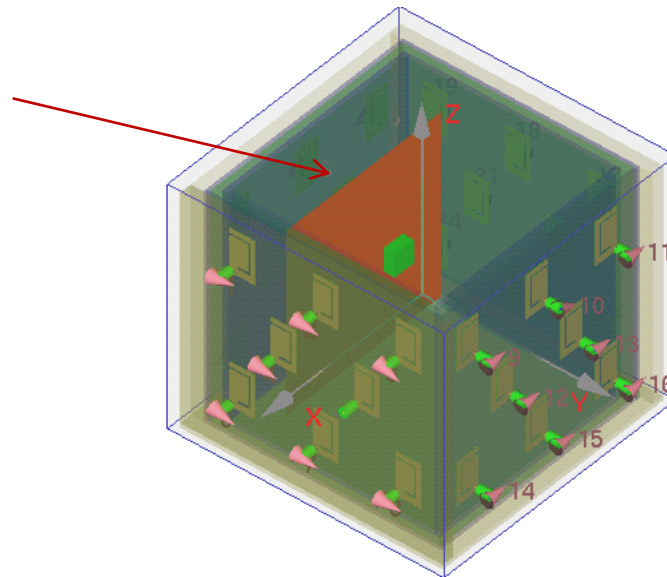
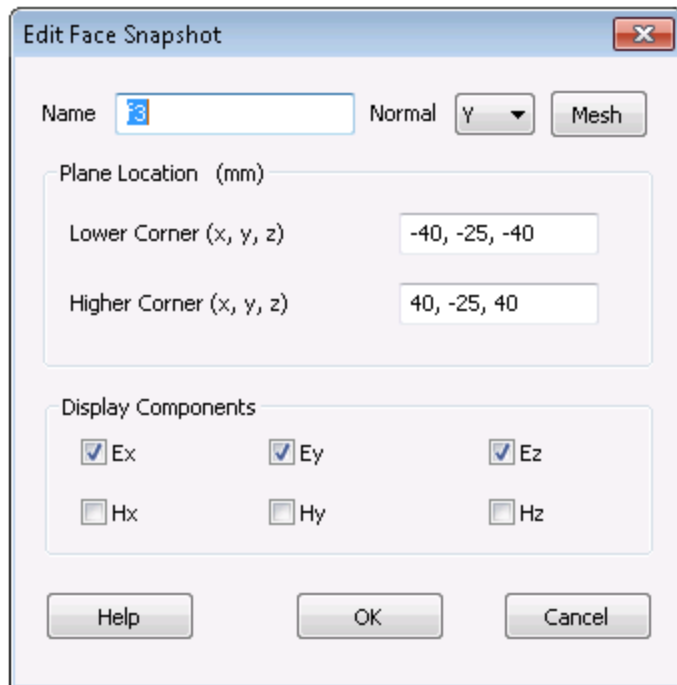
- 1) SaveAs the incident case to sub-folder “inc1” with name “pifa_chamber”.
- 2) delete the original excitation port “5”
- 3) convert all receiving ports to excitation port, set up the excitation pulse of port as “User defined” and load it from the data file.

(The code in page 48 generates the scattered voltage for each port, named as “pifa_chamber_user_lport_pulse_XX.txt”. XX is the name of port.)



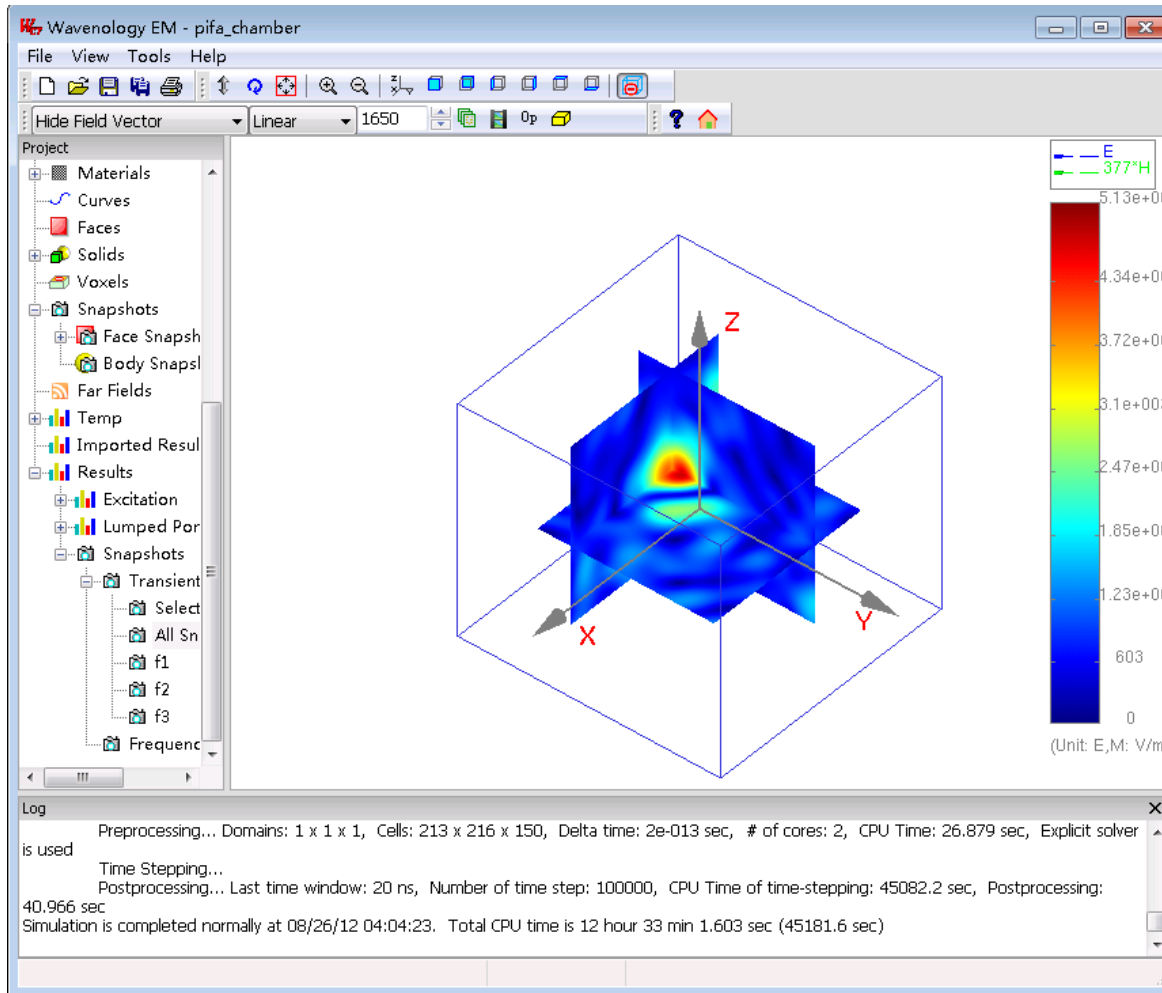
13. Define 2D face snapshots to record the result.





14. Simulate the case.

15. Check the result by watching the snapshot.

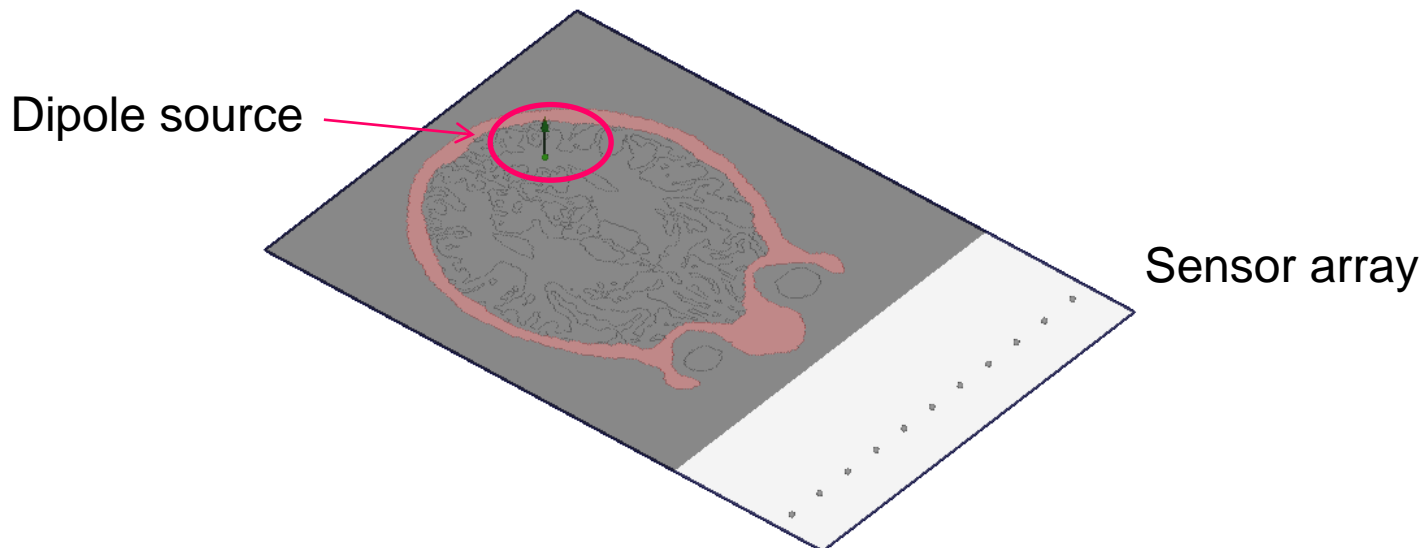


It can be seen, there is a strongest focus (frame 1650) at the position of target.

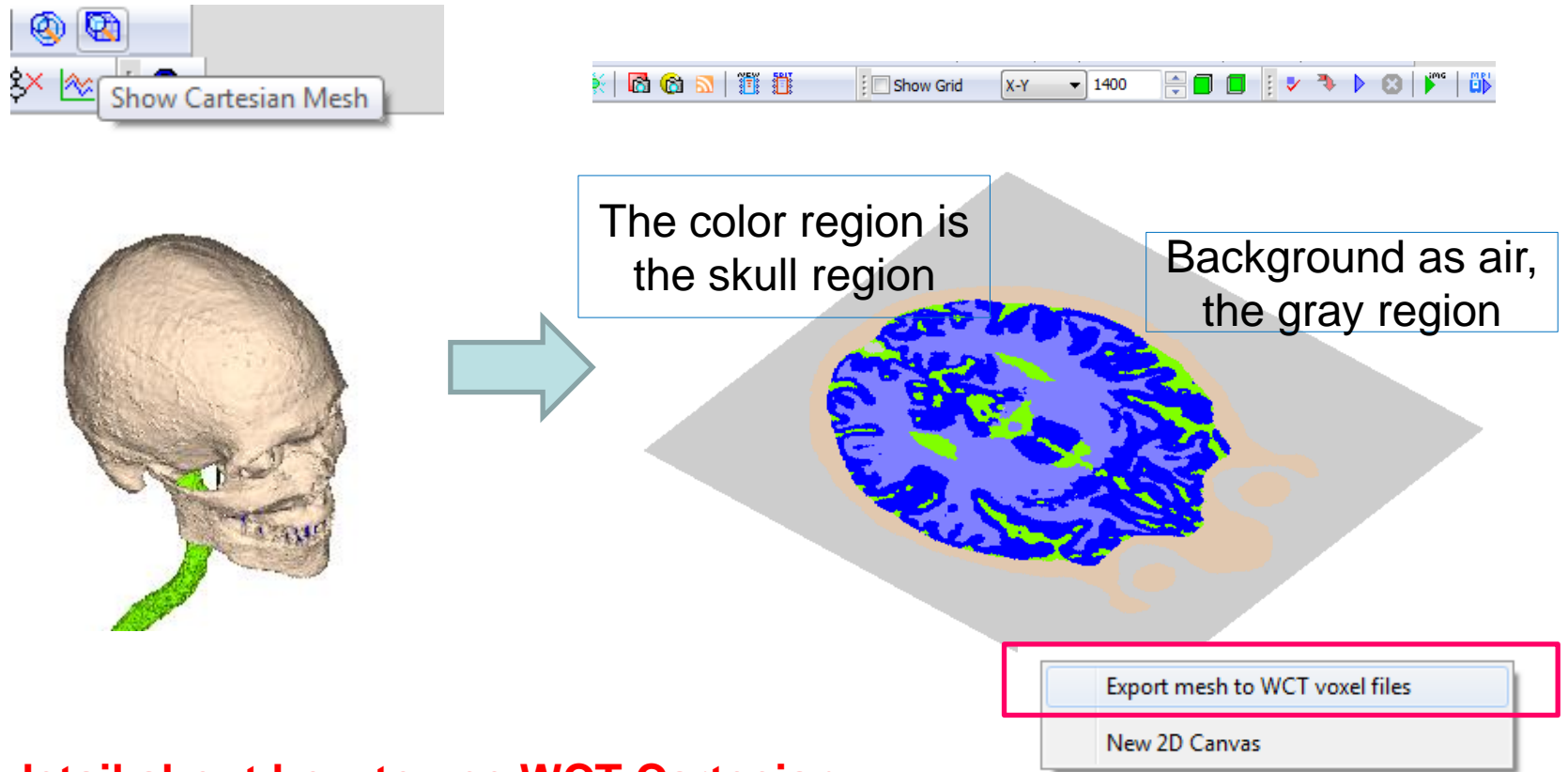
Case (3): Detect a source in a 2D human skull slice by the direct wave

EM Solver

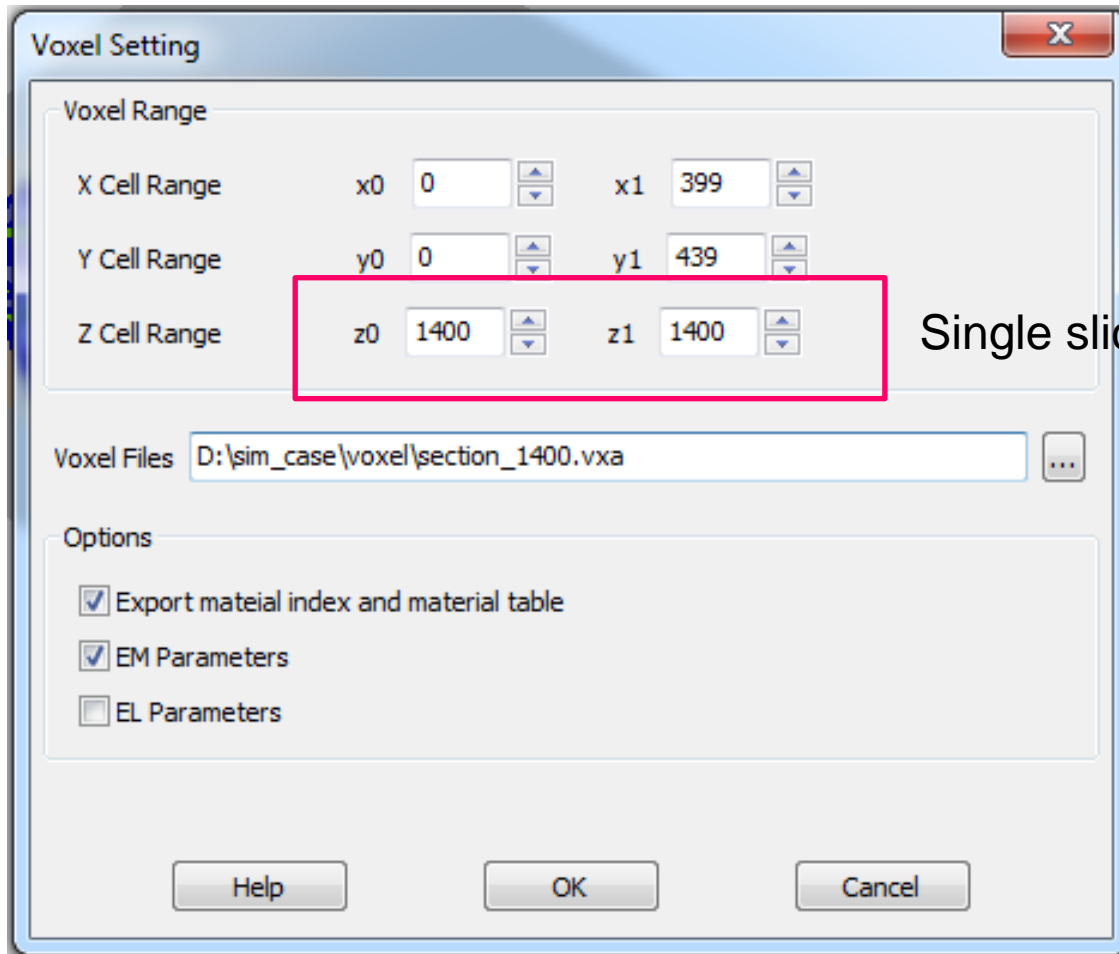
This case shows how to setup a time-reversal case to detect an electrical dipole source in a 2D human skull slice by the direct wave



2D human skull slice is generate by WCT Cartesian mesher

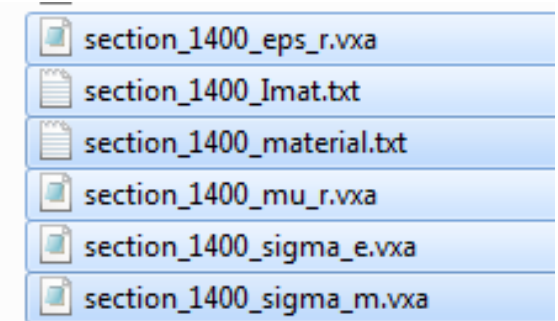


More detail about how to use WCT Cartesian mesher and voxel data please refer to Wavenology Voxel Manual.



Single slice

The exported voxel data files for 2D human skull slice



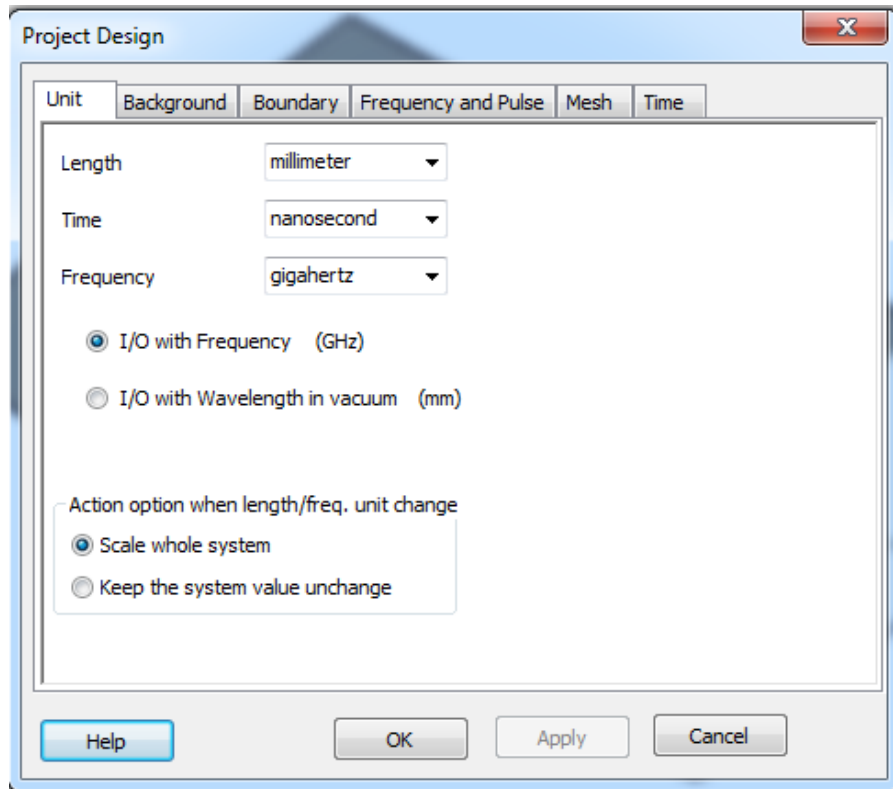
Note: in this model, we set up the EM parameter for the human skull model as: different ϵ_r for different tissues. $\mu_r=1$, $\sigma_e=0$, $\sigma_m=0$ for all tissues.

Part 1: the project to obtain the signal from a electrical dipole source in 2D human skull slice

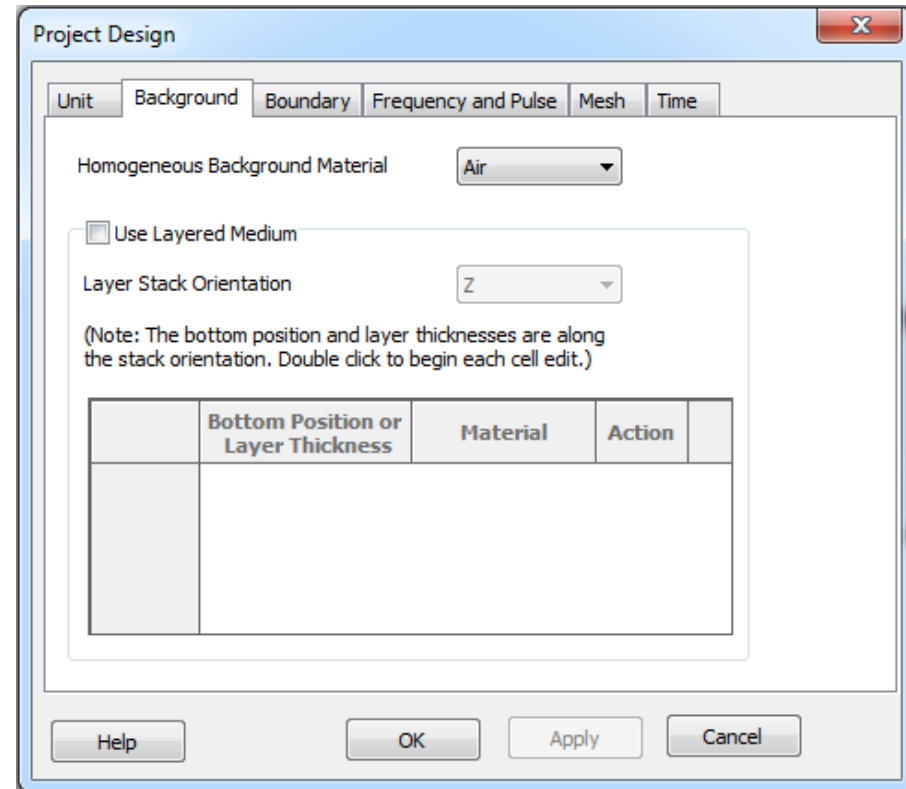
- before we build this case, we has following information
 - ❑ the 2D human skull slice data file is WCT “vxa” file for relative permittivity: [section_1400_eps_r.vxa](#)
 - ❑ the 2D human skull slice has a cell number of: 400x440x1 in X, Y and Z axis, respectively
 - ❑ the cell resolution of the slice is – (0.5, 0.5, 0.5) mm³, the total size is (200, 220, 1) mm³
 - ❑ the background outside the skull region is air

Define the project name as: **2_1.wnt**

Length unit is mm

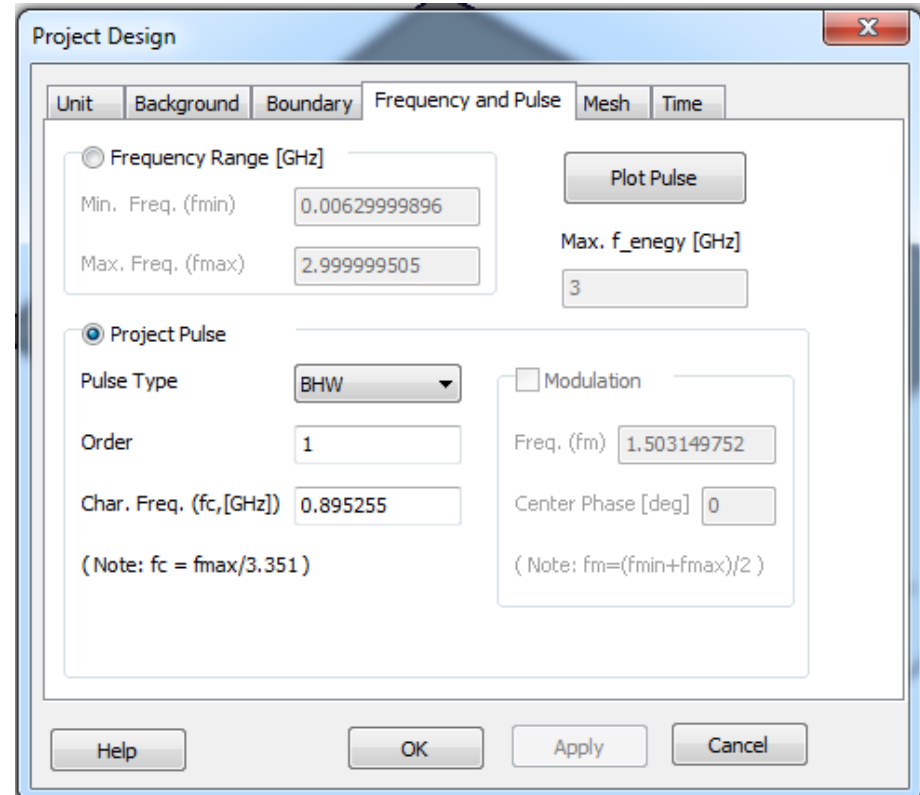
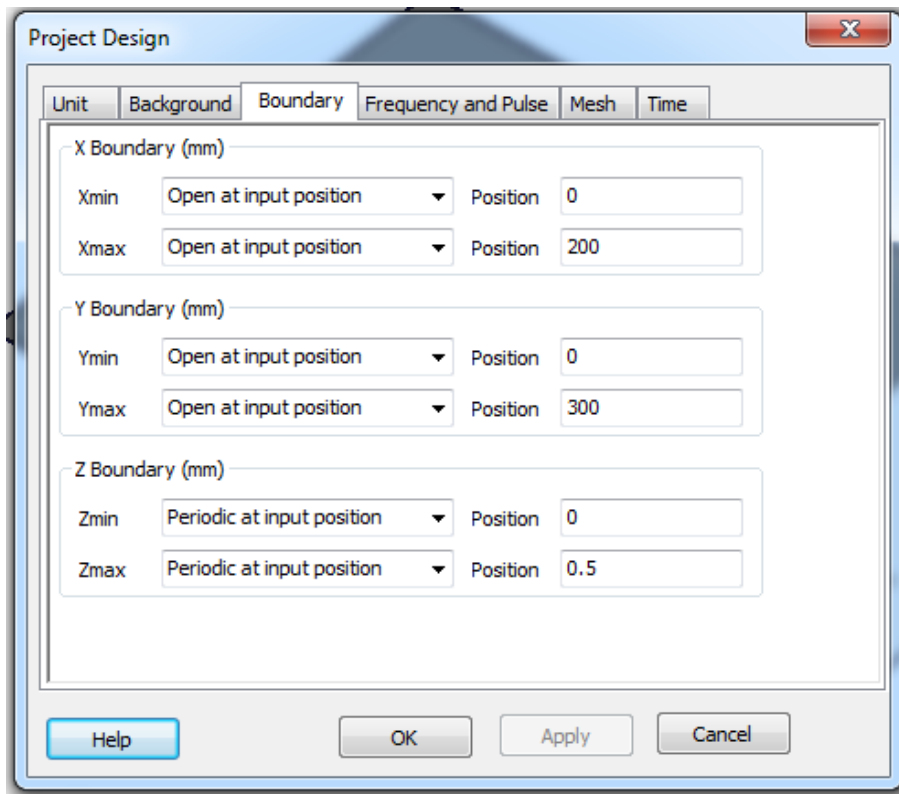


Background as air

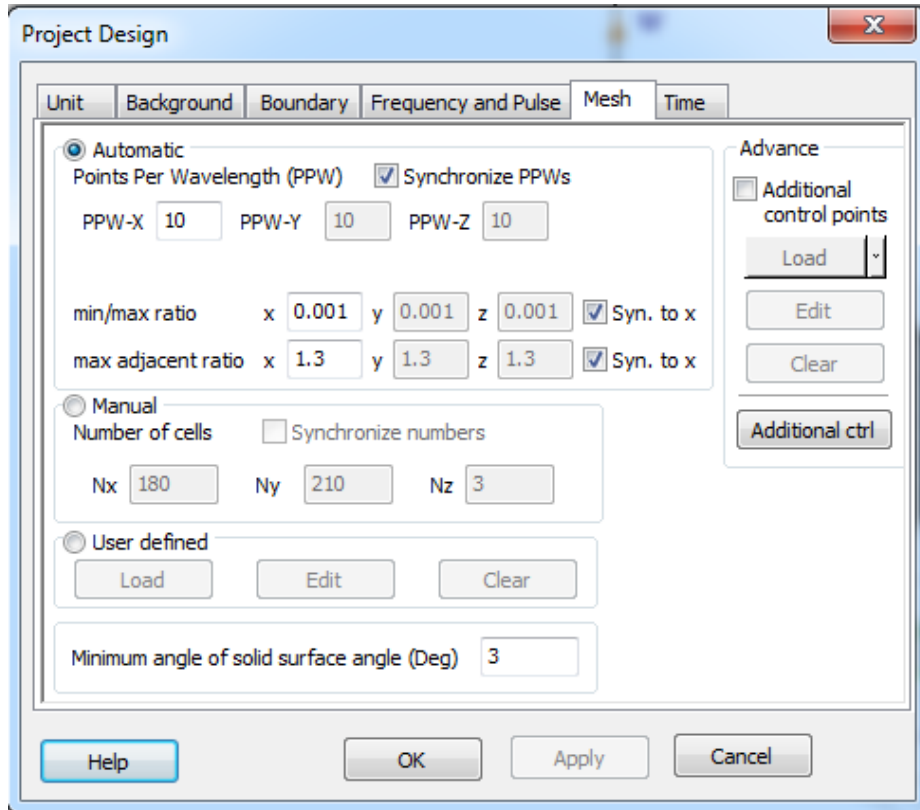


B.C. in Z is periodic for this 2D case

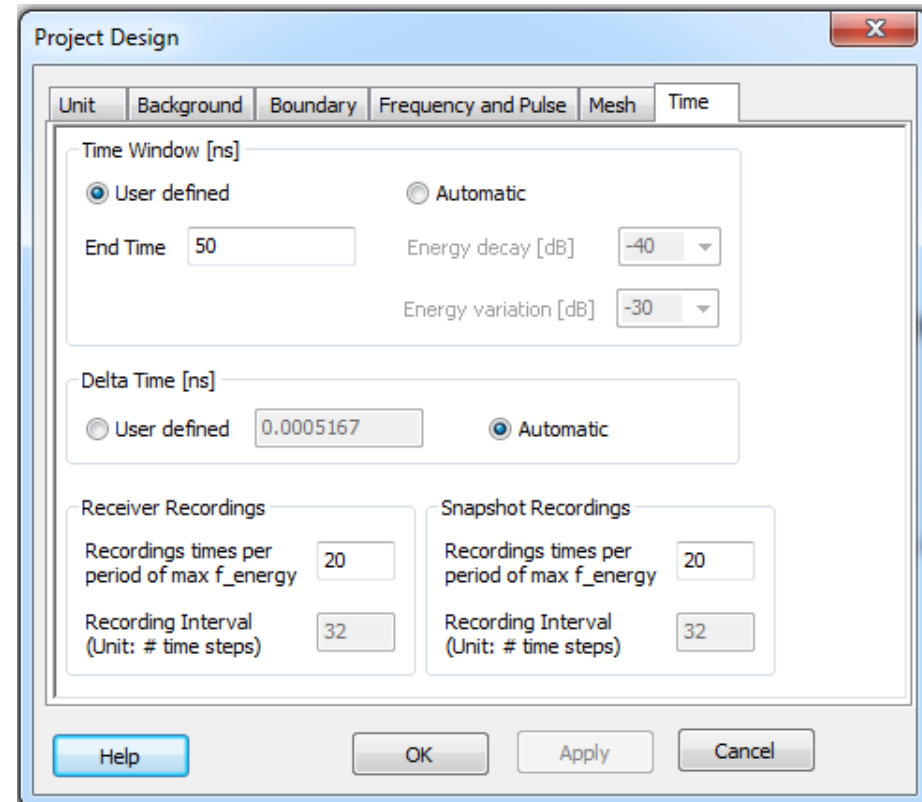
Source pulse is an order=1 BHW waveform with $f_{\max}=3$ GHz



Automatic mesh with ppw=10

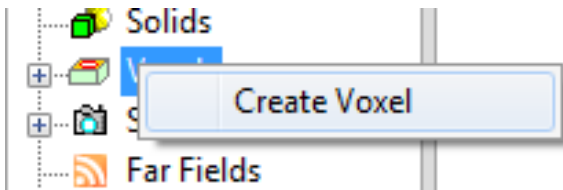


With a fixed time window as 50 ns



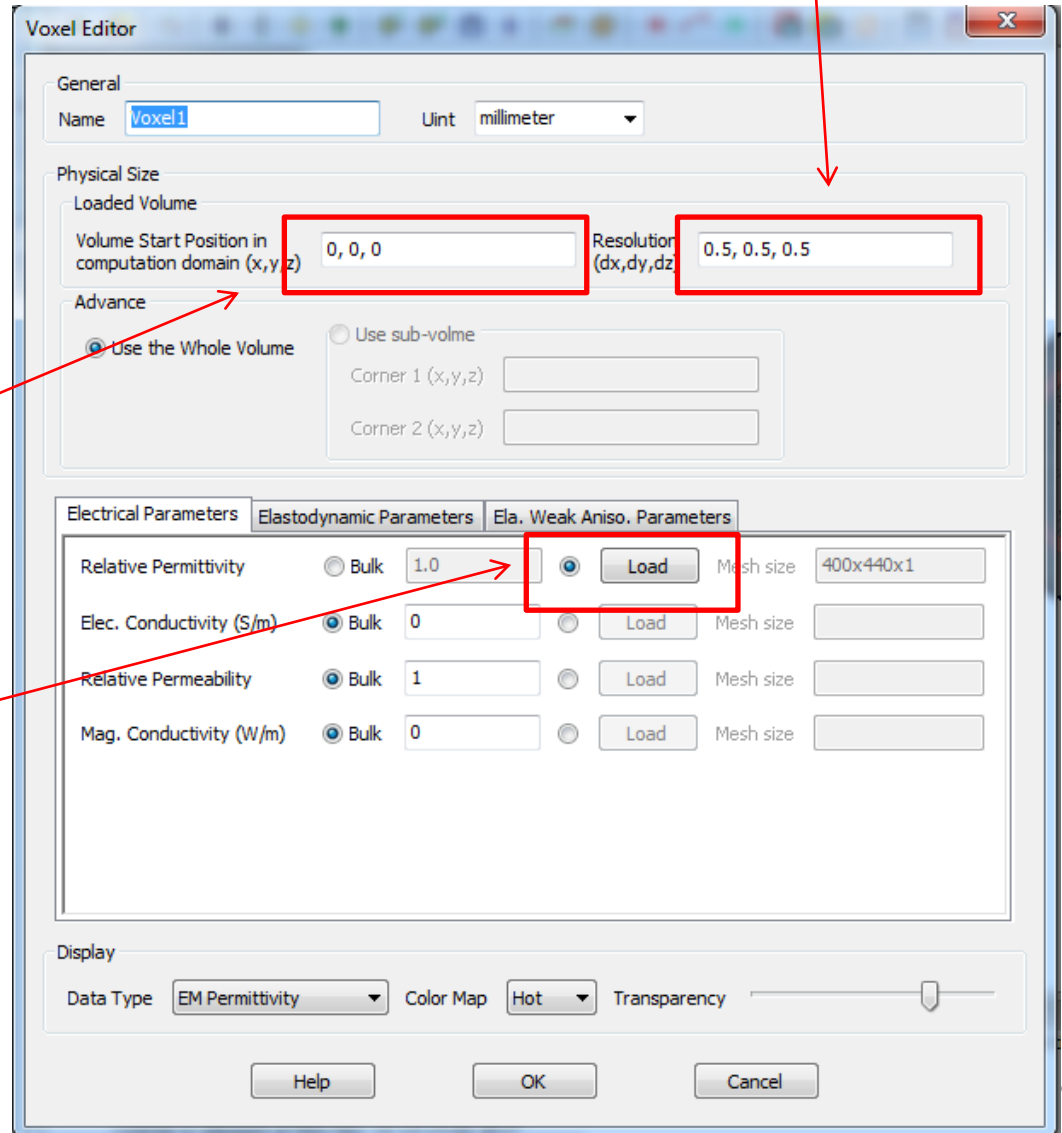
Then we create voxel to load 2D human skull slice

Voxel resolution

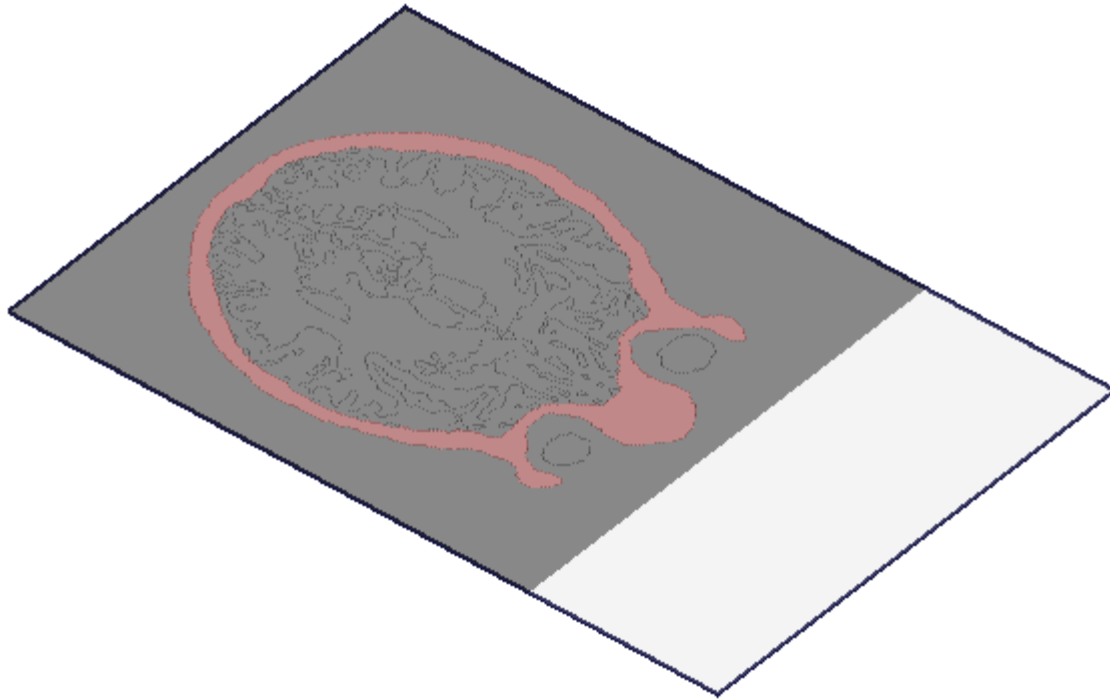


Slice start position in the project

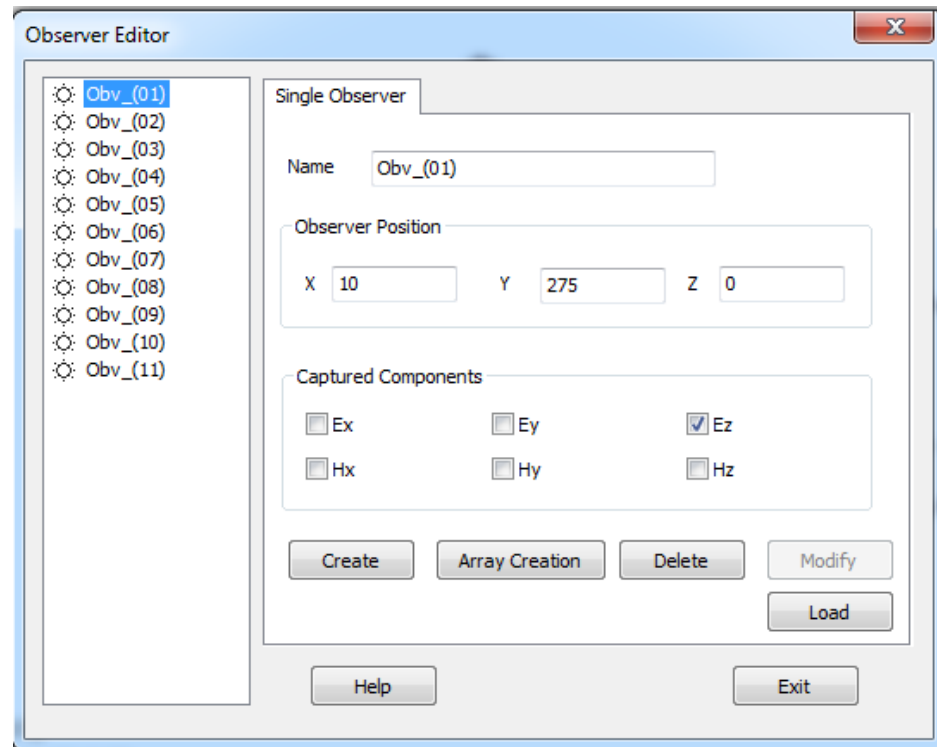
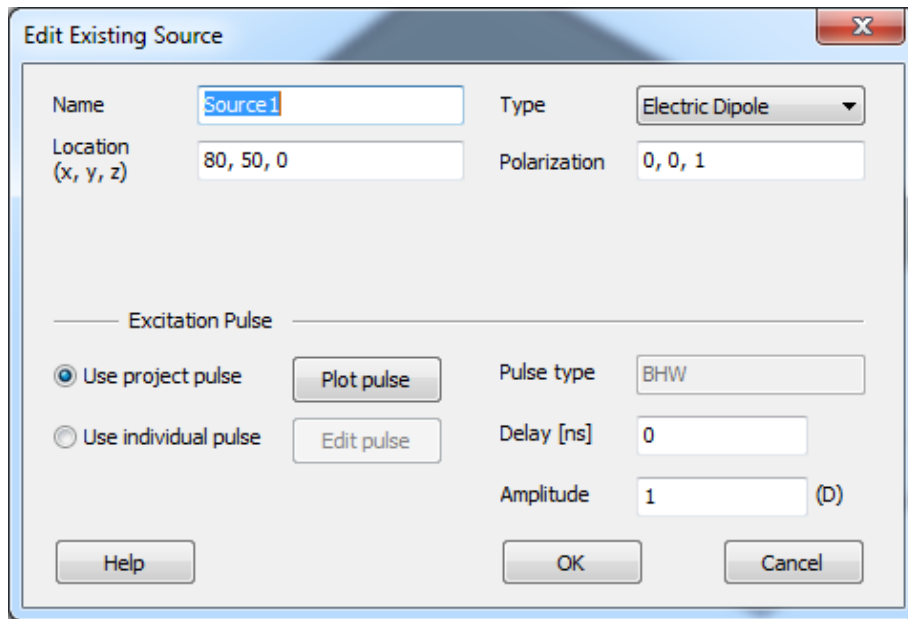
Load section_1400_eps_r.vxa



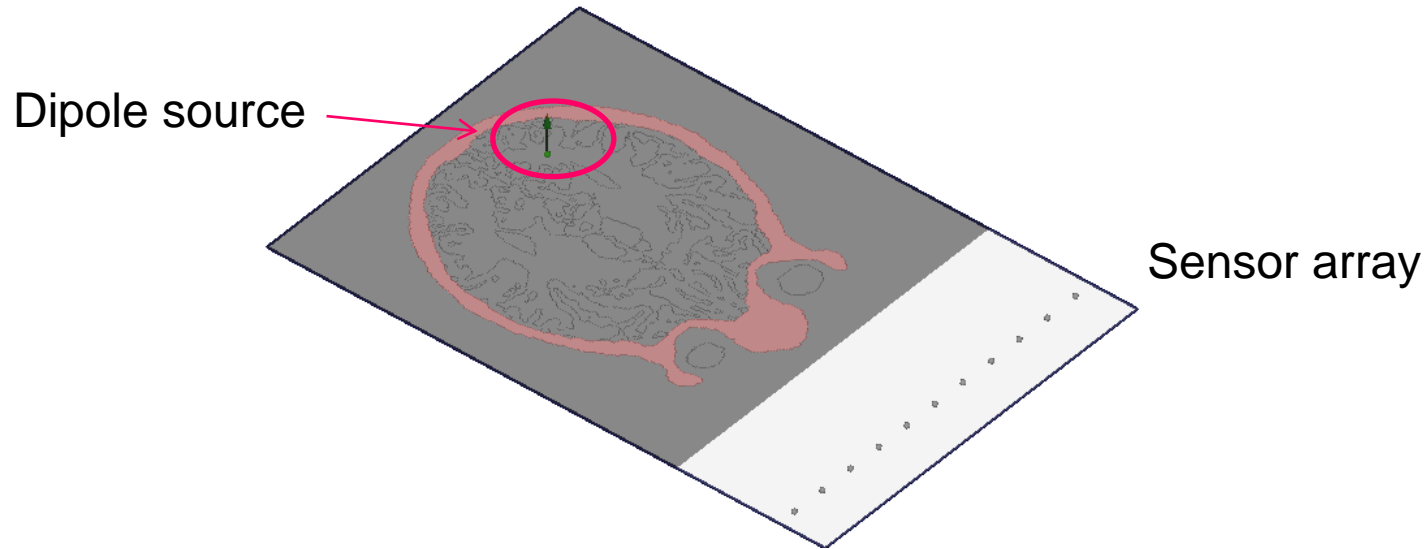
Then we can get project as figure



Set up a Z polarized E dipole at (80, 50, 0), an array of observers at (10:18:190, 275, 0) to record Ez field.



The project layout is



Simulate the project, we get the transient E_z field on the sensor.

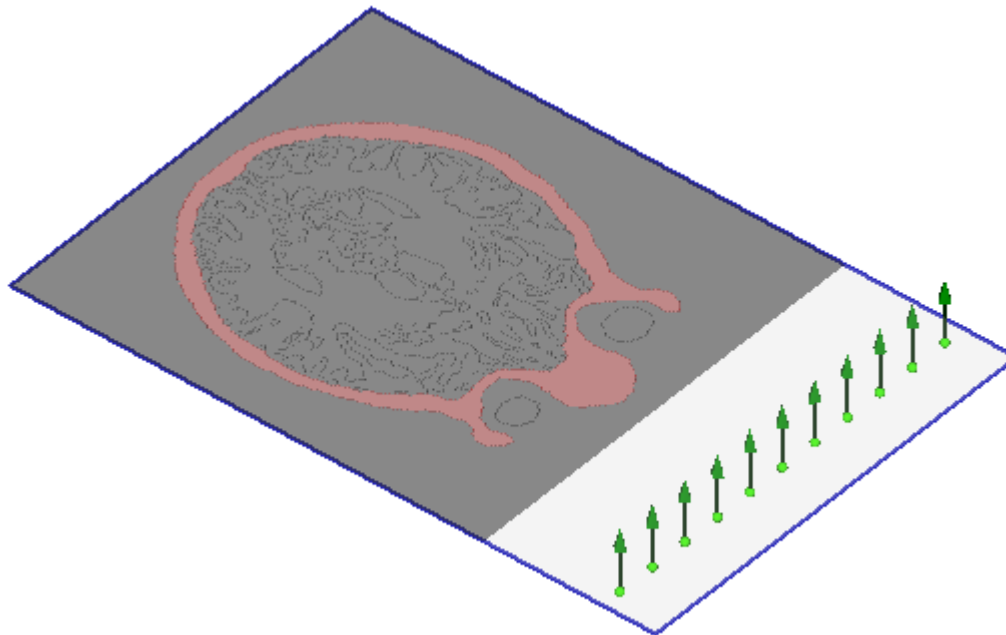
The data file for it is: [2_1_res\observers\2_1_rev_ez.txt](#)

This data will be considered as the signal for the time reversal imaging case.

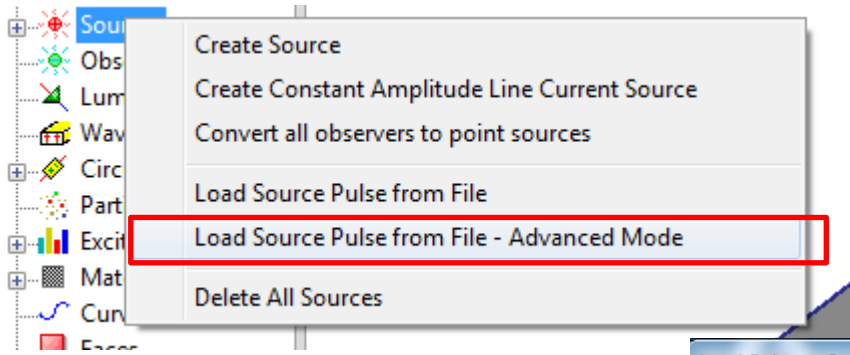
Part 2: Project for the time-reversal imaging

- we can “**SaveAs**” project “**2_1.wnt**” as “**2_tri_1.wnt**”
- delete the original dipole source
- convert all observers to source

Then we get the project as

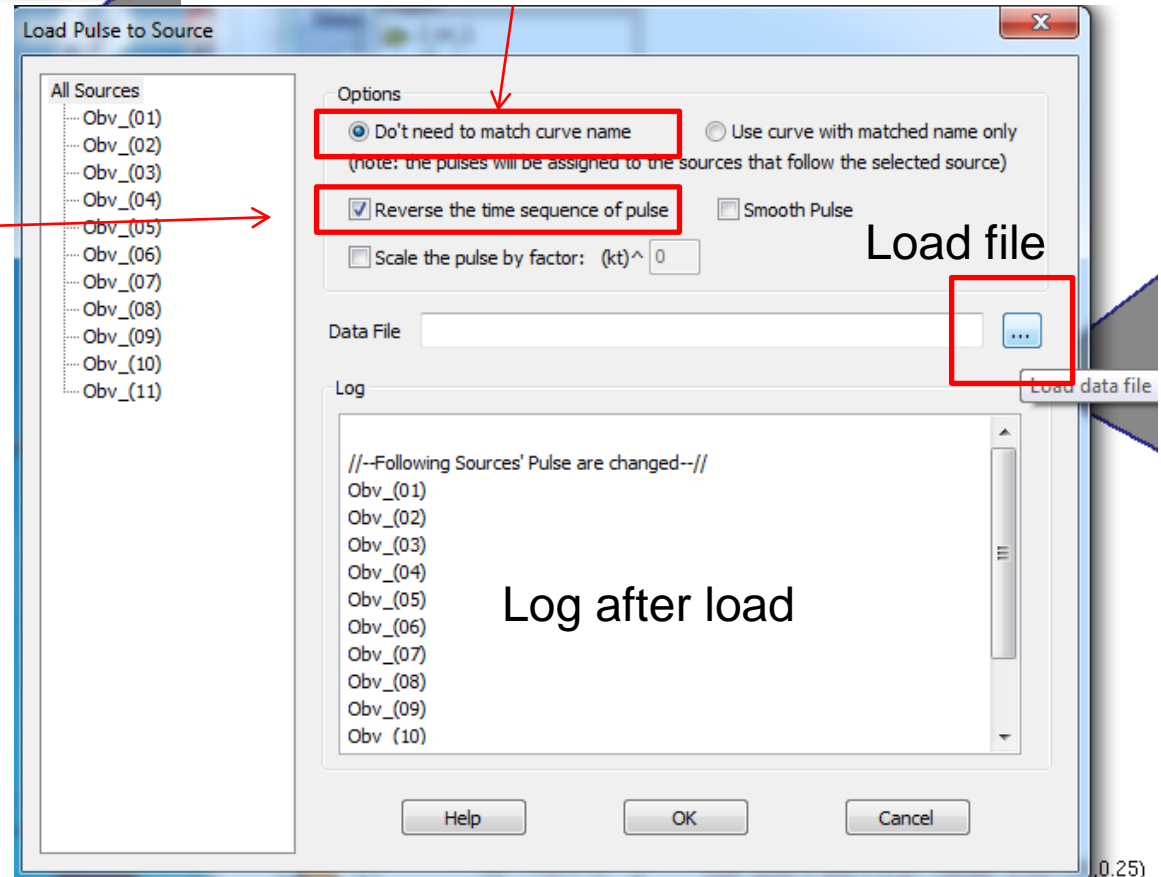


➤ Load signal to sources as the excitation pulse



Do not need name matching

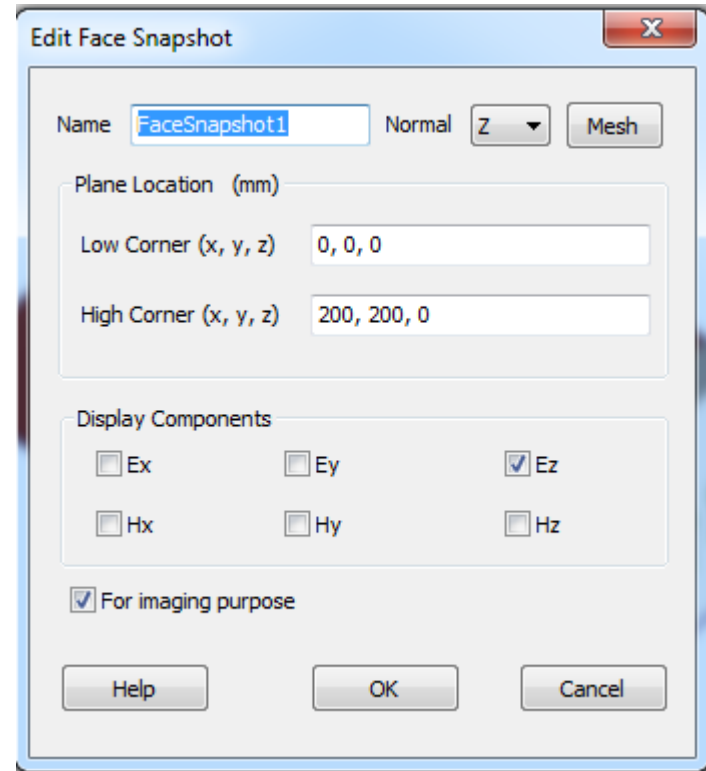
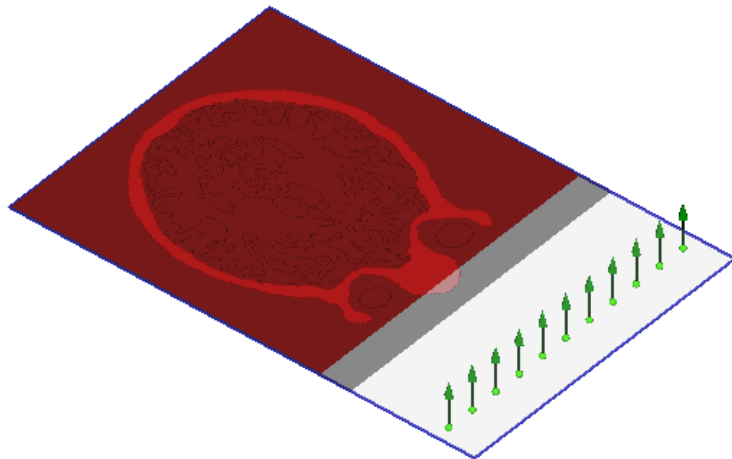
Reverse trace time in loading



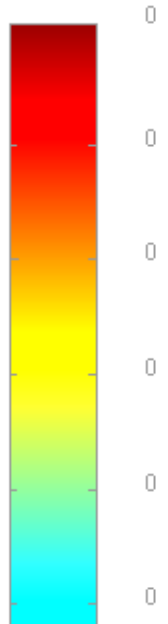
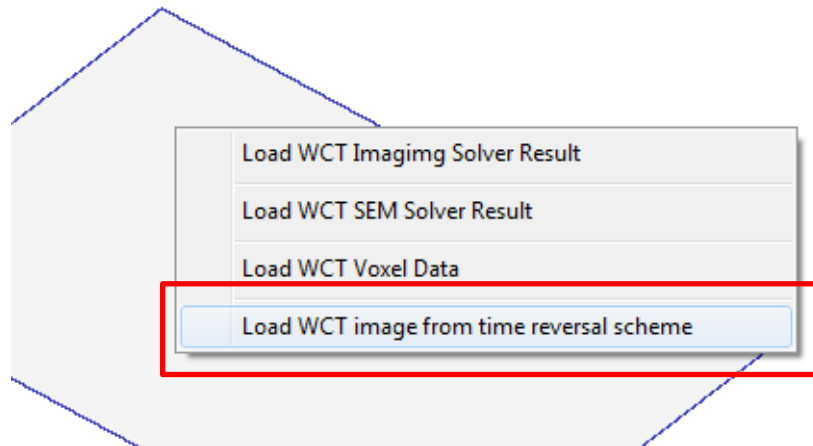
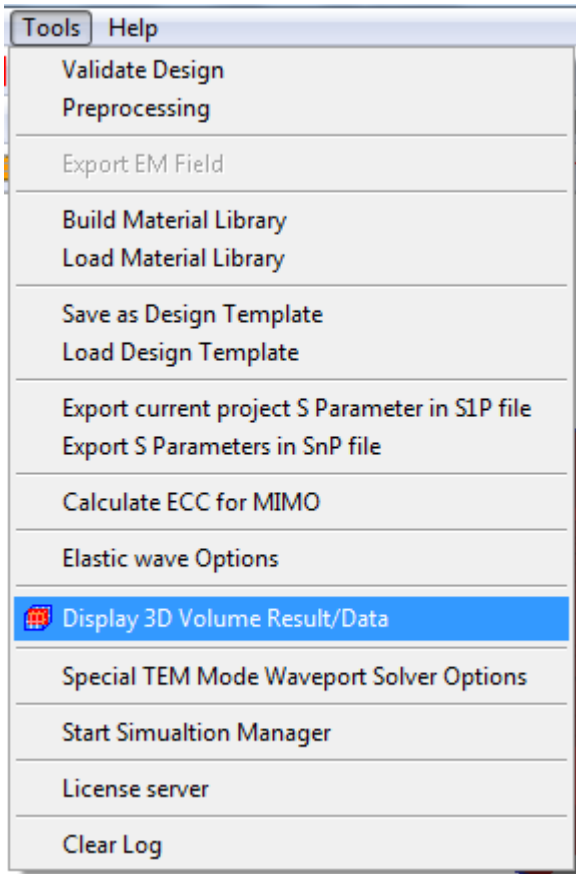
➤ define a 2D snapshot for imaging



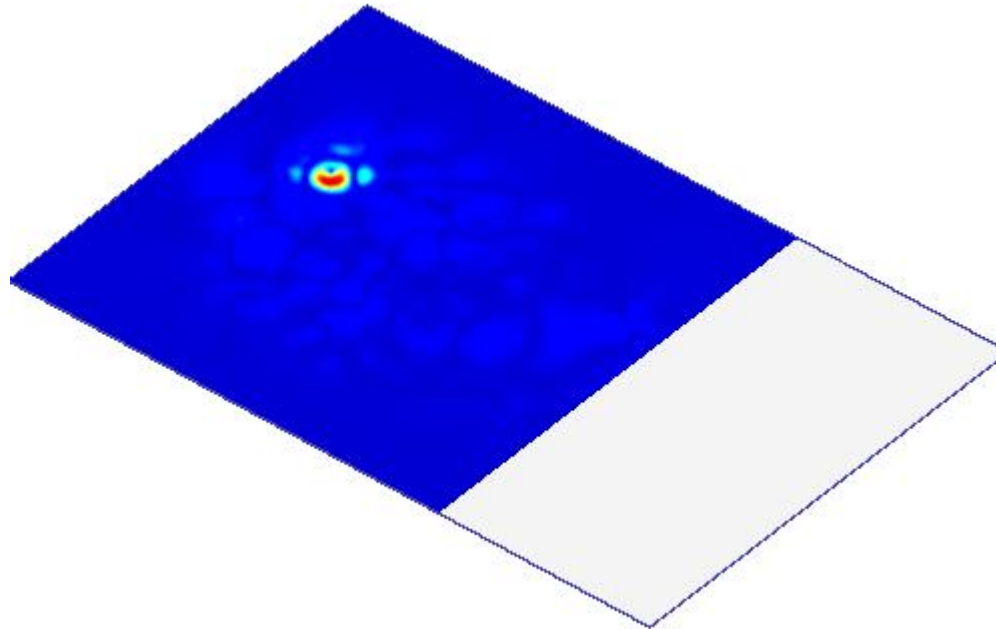
Snapshot area



Simulate the project. After finish, we load the image with the maximum energy.



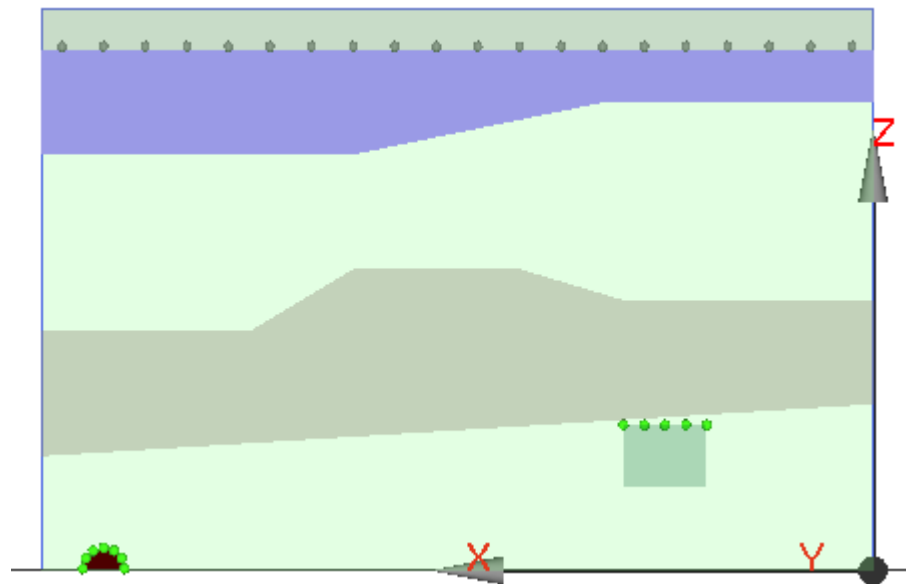
We can see the maximum energy position match the source position.



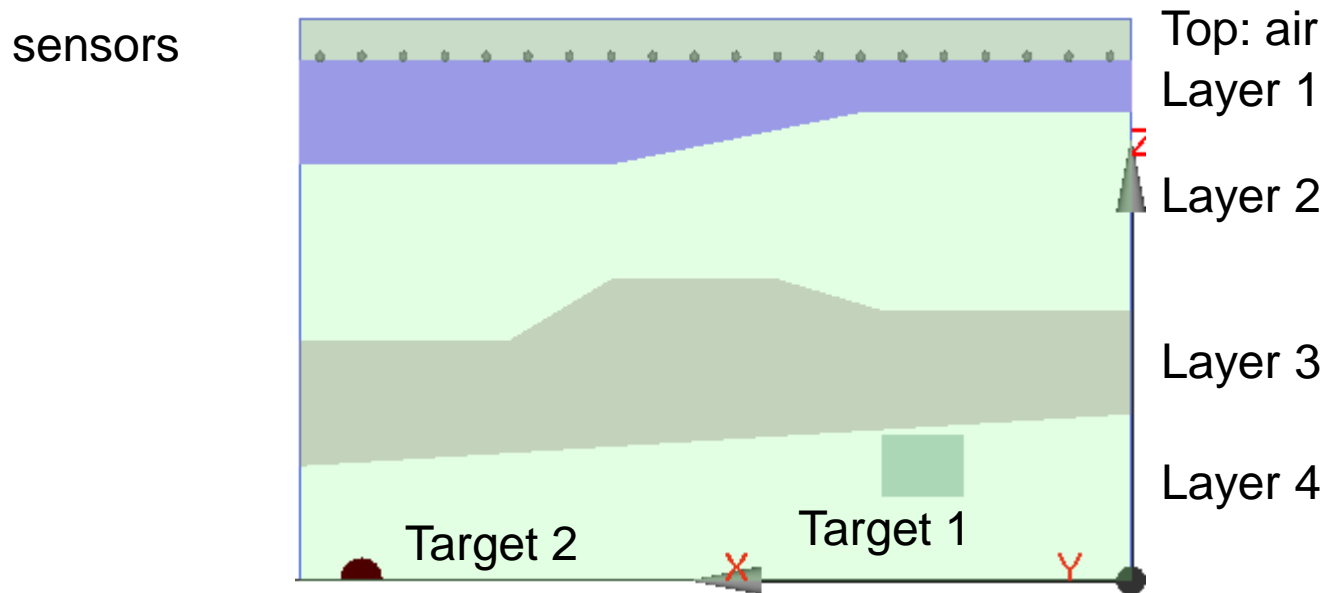
Case (4): Detect array of sources in multiple layers background by the direct wave

EL Solver

This case shows how to setup a time-reversal case to detect two source array in multiple layers background by the direct wave,

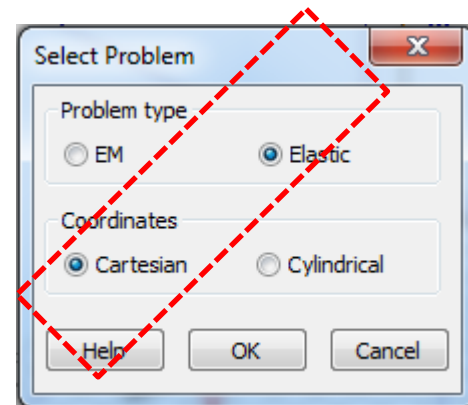
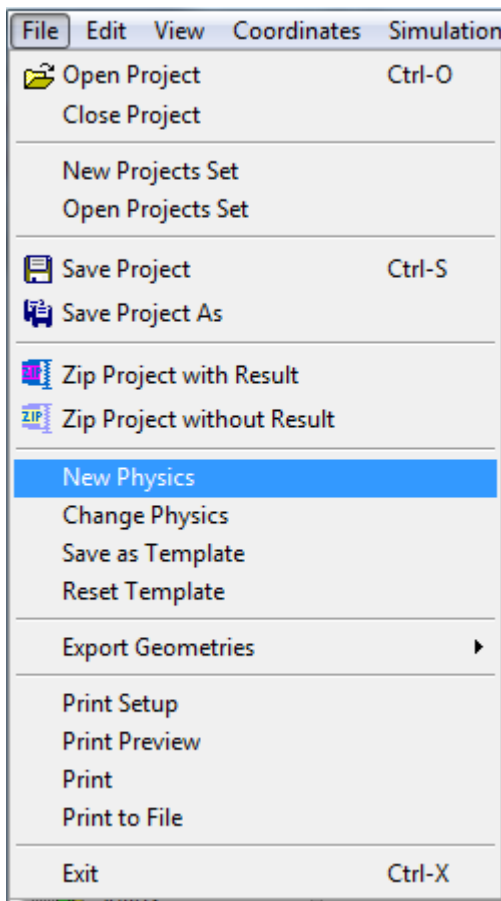


This case is an elastic wave project. It assumes that there are two objects embedded in a multiple layers background. Through some kind of operation in other physics, the edge of object become elastic wave sources. Then, we will use the signal on sensors to detect the edge of these two objects.



Part 1: the project to obtain the signal from equivalent array of monopole sources in 2D multiple layers background

1. create a Cartesian EL project, named as “**Layered_2D_01.wnt**”



2. Create new materials for background and objects

The 'Edit Material' dialog box for 'Layer1' is shown with the 'Elastodynamic' tab selected. The 'Name' field contains 'Layer1' and the 'Color' field shows a brownish-tan color. The 'Mass density' is set to 1800 kg/m³. The 'P-Velocity' is 2200 m/s and the 'Qp (0, Inf)' is 'inf'. The 'S-Velocity' is 1500 m/s and the 'Qs (0, Inf)' is 'inf'. The 'Advanced' section is collapsed, showing radio buttons for 'Anisotropic Material' and 'PoroElastic Material', each with a 'Property' button.


Property	Value	Unit
Name	Layer1	
Color	Brownish-tan	
Mass density	1800	kg/m ³
P-Velocity	2200	m/s
Qp (0, Inf)	inf	
S-Velocity	1500	m/s
Qs (0, Inf)	inf	

The 'Edit Material' dialog box for 'Layer2' is shown with the 'Elastodynamic' tab selected. The 'Name' field contains 'Layer2' and the 'Color' field shows a bright green color. The 'Mass density' is set to 2500 kg/m³. The 'P-Velocity' is 3000 m/s and the 'Qp (0, Inf)' is 'inf'. The 'S-Velocity' is 1900 m/s and the 'Qs (0, Inf)' is 'inf'. The 'Advanced' section is collapsed, showing radio buttons for 'Anisotropic Material' and 'PoroElastic Material', each with a 'Property' button.

Property	Value	Unit
Name	Layer2	
Color	Bright Green	
Mass density	2500	kg/m ³
P-Velocity	3000	m/s
Qp (0, Inf)	inf	
S-Velocity	1900	m/s
Qs (0, Inf)	inf	

Edit Material [X]

General | Electromagnetic | **Elastodynamic**

Name: Layer3 Color: 

Mass density: 2800 kg/m³

P-Velocity: 4000 m/s Qp (0, Inf): inf

S-Velocity: 2800 m/s Qs (0, Inf): inf

Advanced


Anisotropic Material Property

PoroElastic Material Property

Help OK Cancel Apply

Edit Material [X]

General | Electromagnetic | **Elastodynamic**

Name: cirde Color: 

Mass density: 3000 kg/m³

P-Velocity: 4500 m/s Qp (0, Inf): inf

S-Velocity: 3100 m/s Qs (0, Inf): inf

Advanced


Anisotropic Material Property

PoroElastic Material Property

Help OK Cancel Apply

Edit Material [X]

General | Electromagnetic | **Elastodynamic**

Name: Color: 

Mass density: kg/m³

P-Velocity: m/s Qp (0, Inf):

S-Velocity: m/s Qs (0, Inf):

Advanced

Anisotropic Material

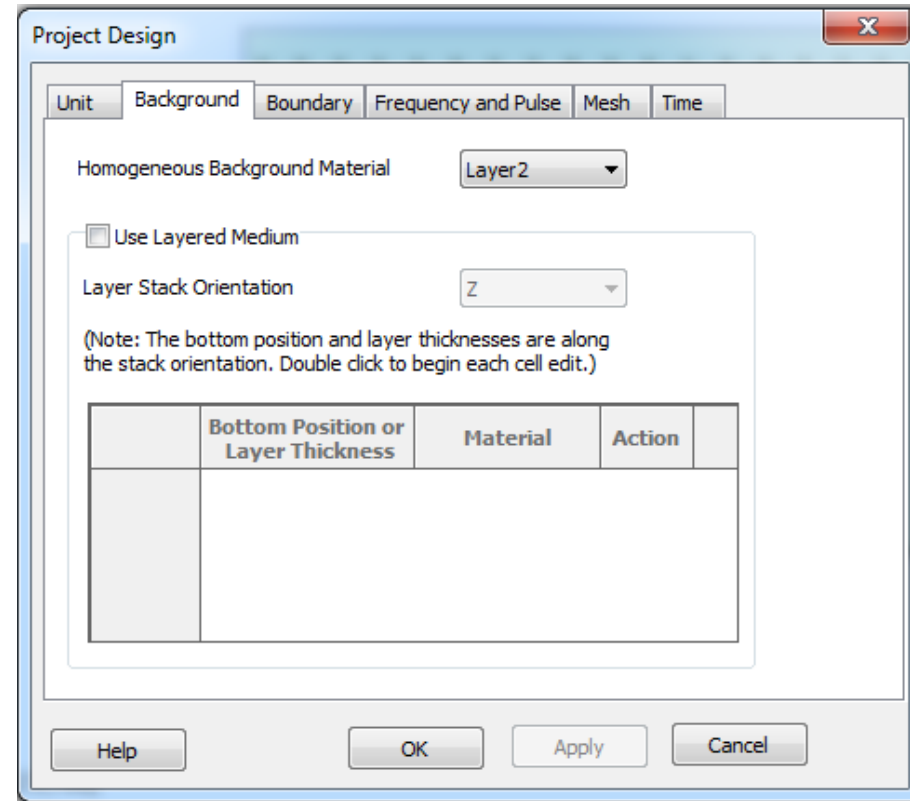
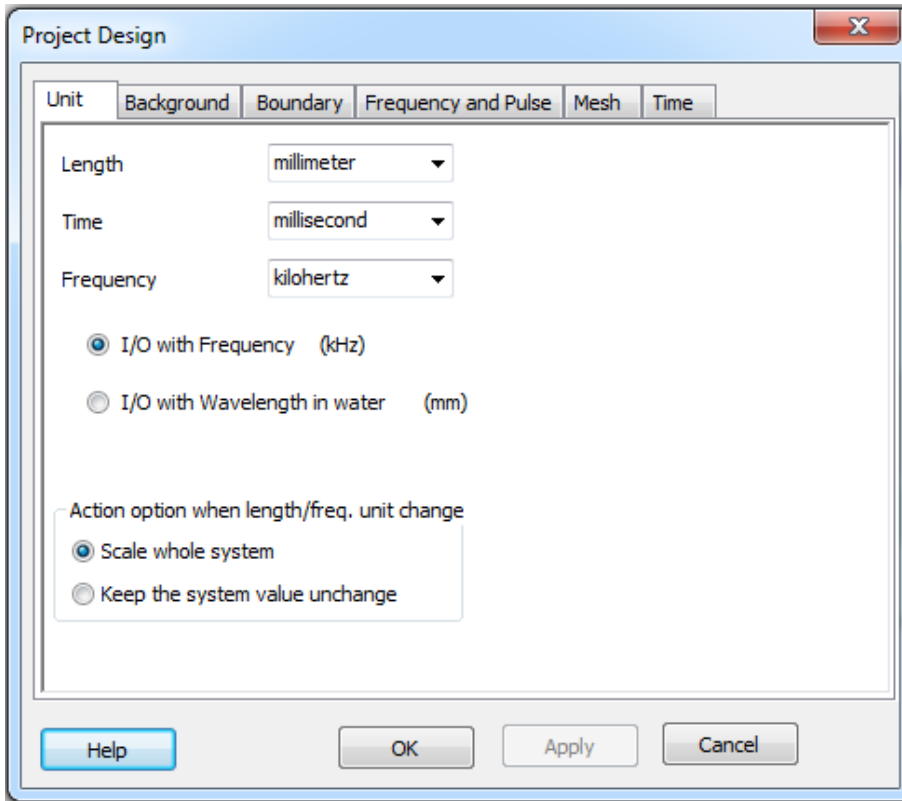
PoroElastic Material

3. Project setting

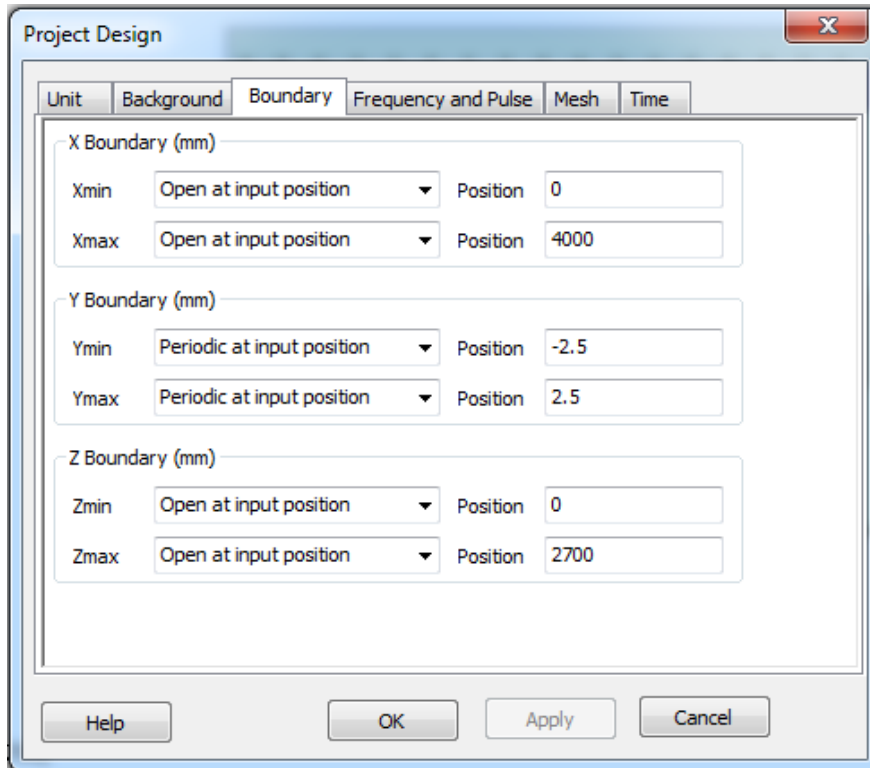
Set up unit as:

- mm in length
- ms in time,
- KHz for freq

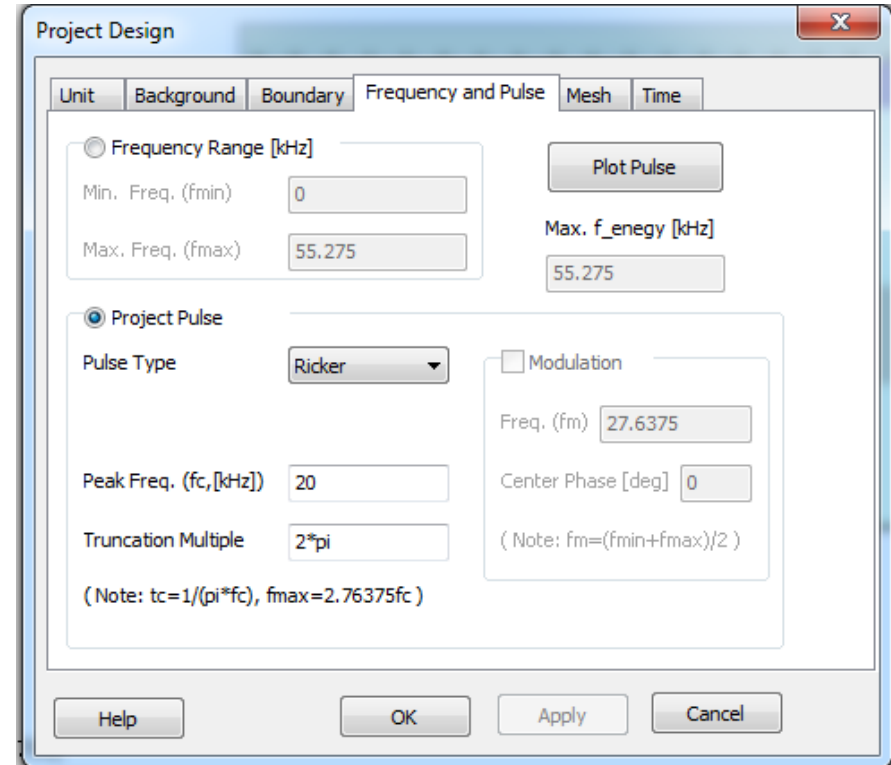
A homogenous background with material “Layer2”



Boundary position & type



Excitation pulse is 1st order BHW waveform with $f_{\max} \approx 55$ KHz



Uniform mesh

Project Design

Unit Background Boundary Frequency and Pulse Mesh Time

Automatic
Points Per Wavelength (PPW) Synchronize PPWs
PPW-X 1.24 PPW-Y 1.24 PPW-Z 1.14

min/max ratio x 0.001 y 0.001 z 0.001 Syn. to x
max adjacent ratio x 1.3 y 1.3 z 1.3 Syn. to x

Manual
Number of cells Synchronize numbers
Nx 800 Ny 1 Nz 500

User defined
Load Edit Clear

Minimum angle of solid surface angle (Deg) 3

Advance
 Additional control points
Load Edit Clear
Additional ctrl

Help OK Apply Cancel

Time setting

Project Design

Unit Background Boundary Frequency and Pulse Mesh Time

Time Window [ms]
 User defined Automatic
End Time 3.5 Energy decay [dB] -40
Energy variation [dB] -30

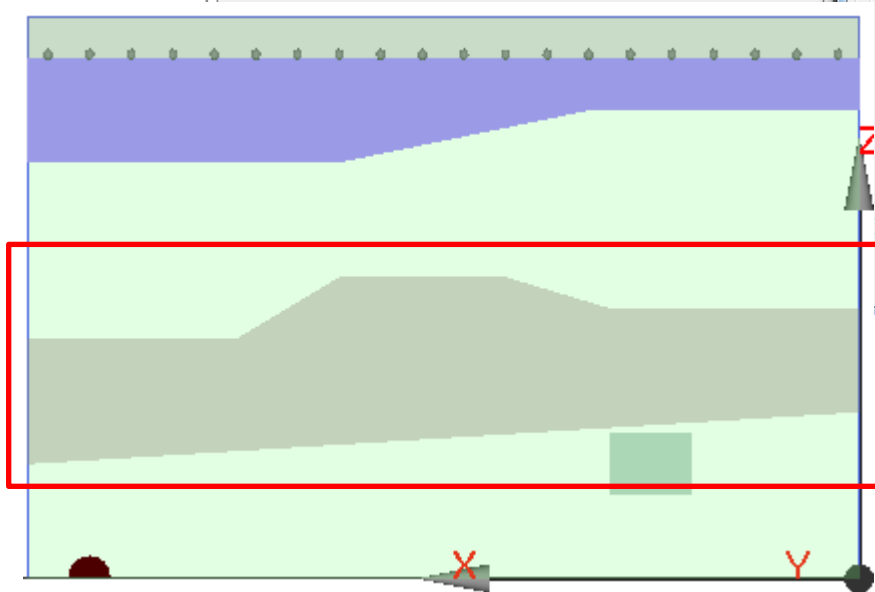
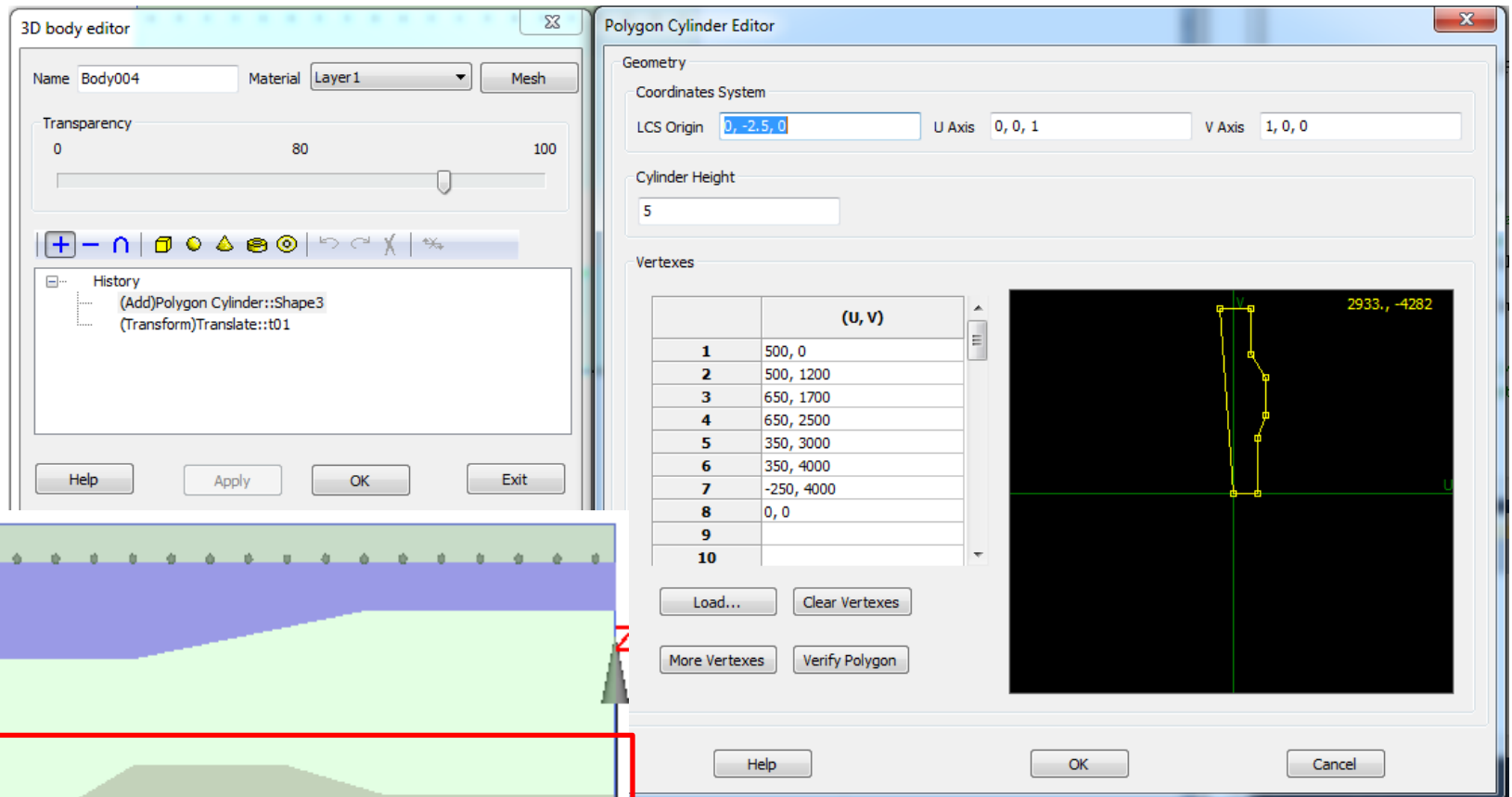
Delta Time [ms]
 User defined 0.000707107 Automatic

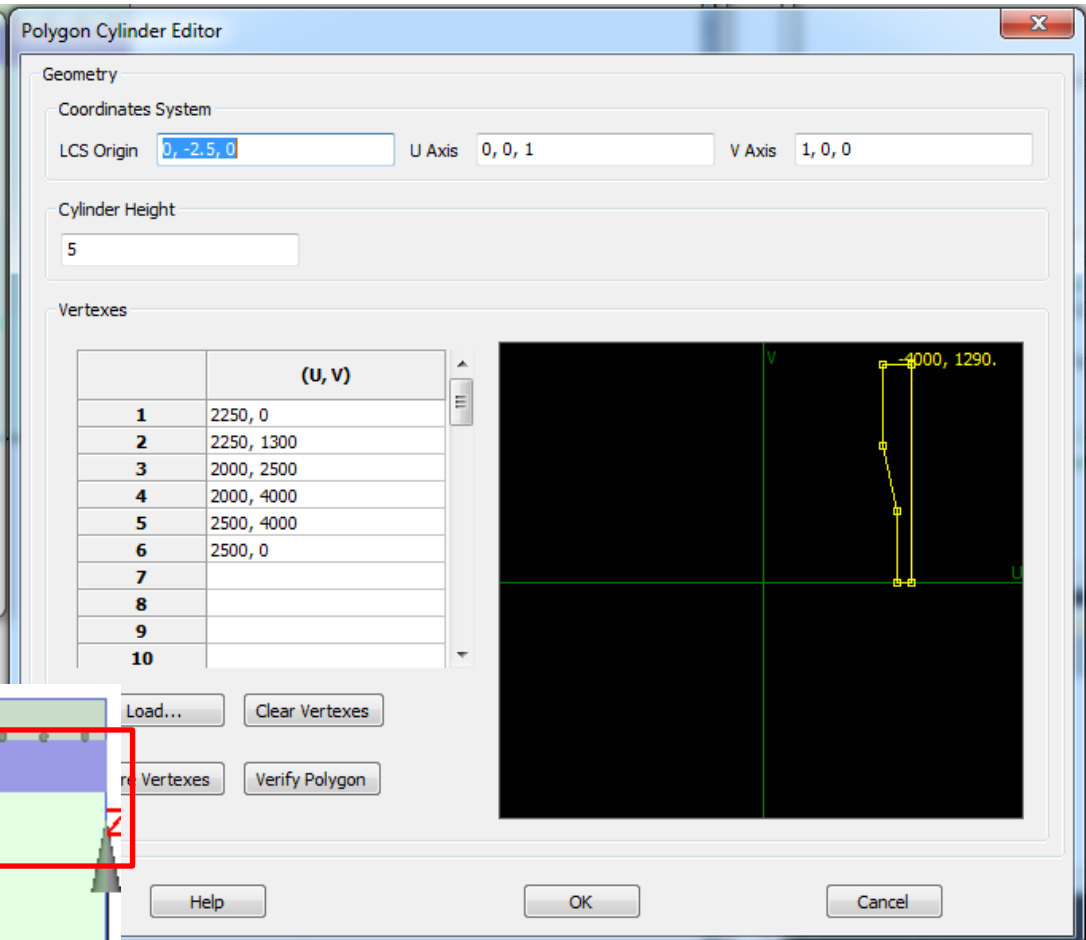
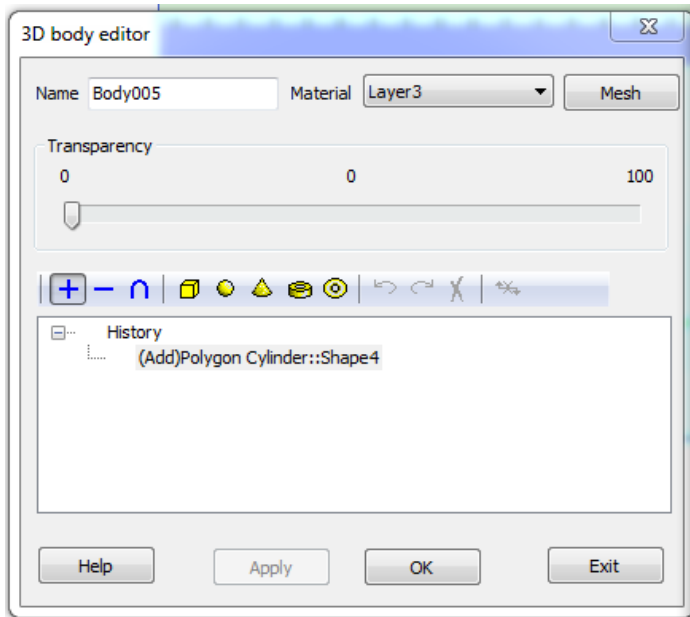
Receiver Recordings
Recordings times per period of max f_energy 10
Recording Interval (Unit: # time steps) 2

Snapshot Recordings
Recordings times per period of max f_energy 2
Recording Interval (Unit: # time steps) 12

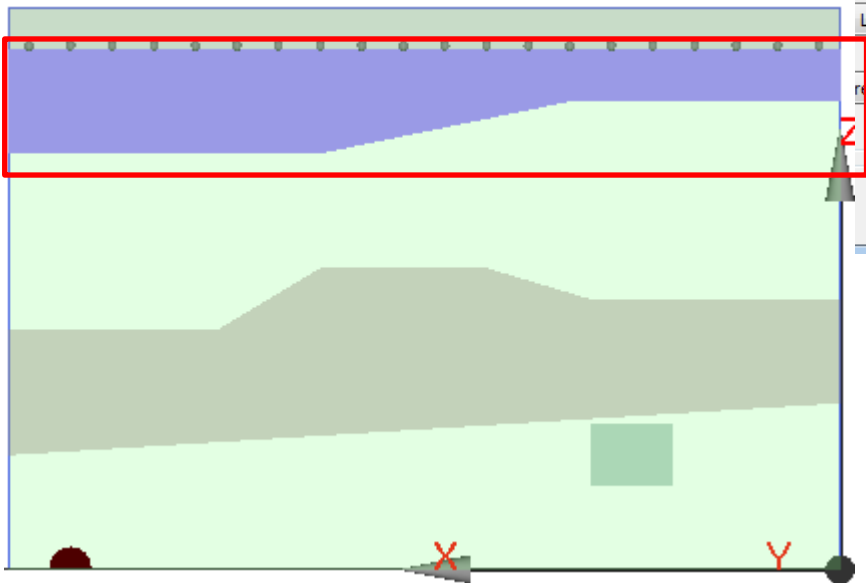
Help OK Apply Cancel

4. Build layers in the homogenous background

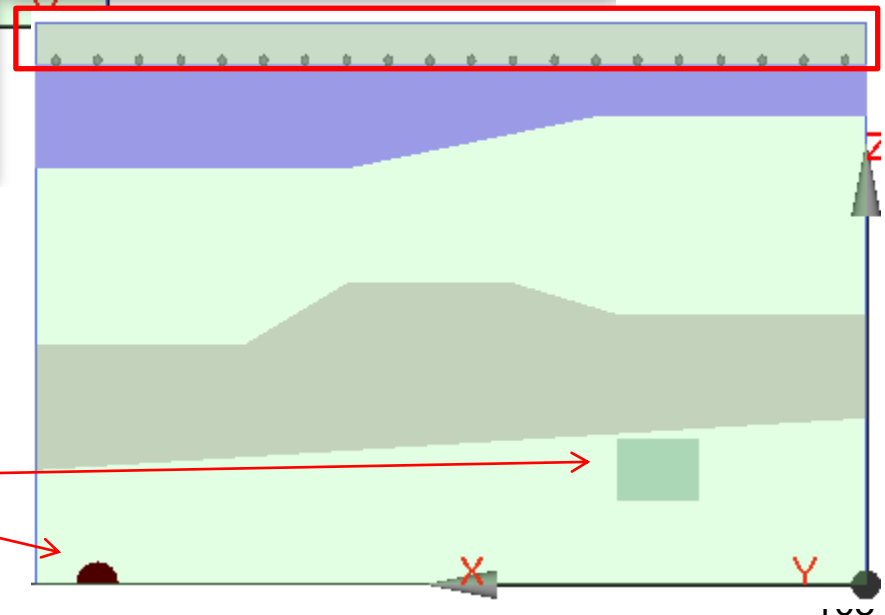
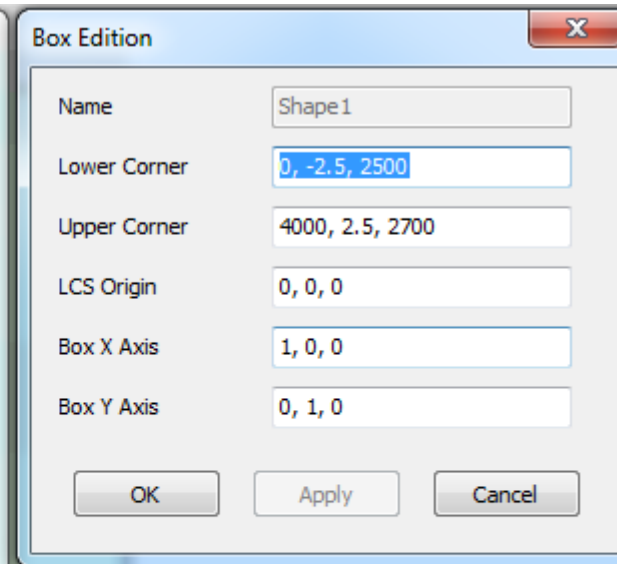
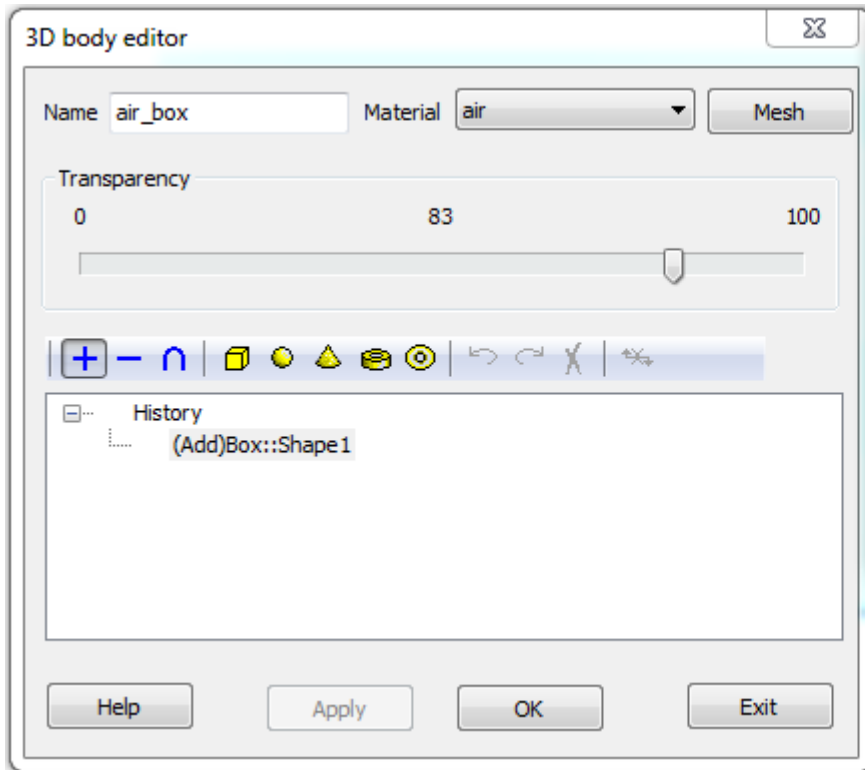




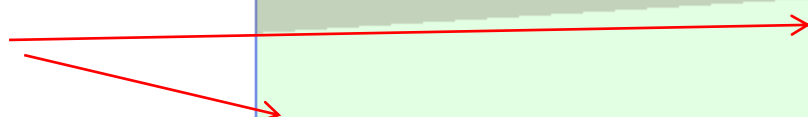
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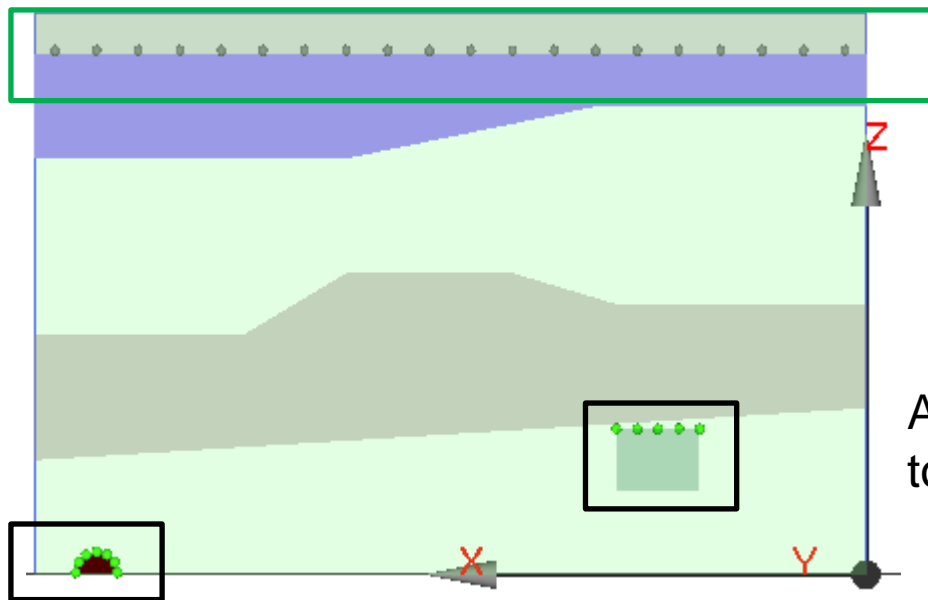
Top layer is an air box



Then two objects



5. Add array of elastic monopole source at the top edge of object, and create an array of observers to record T_{au_xx} and T_{au_zz} , as following



Array of source on the top edge of target 1

Array of source on the top edge of target 2

6. Simulate the project, we get the transient T_{au_xx} field on the sensor. The data files for it are:

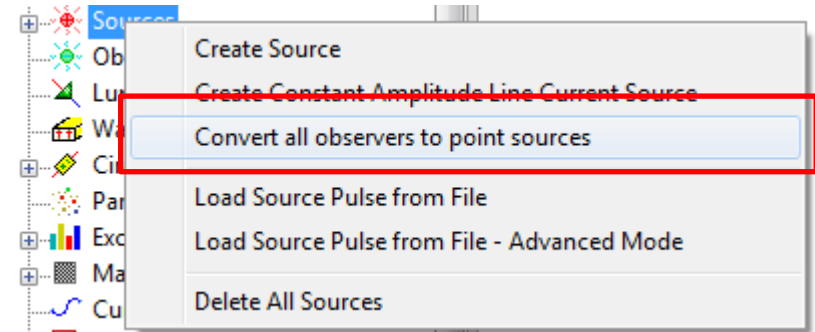
[Layered_2D_01_res\observers \ Layered_2D_01_obv_txx_time.txt](#)

[Layered_2D_01_res\observers \ Layered_2D_01_obv_tzz_time.txt](#)

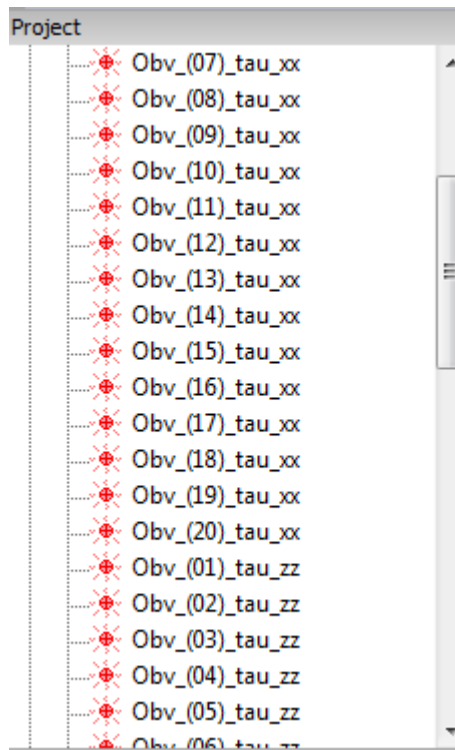
These data will be considered as the signal for the time reversal imaging case.

Part 2: Project for the time-reversal imaging

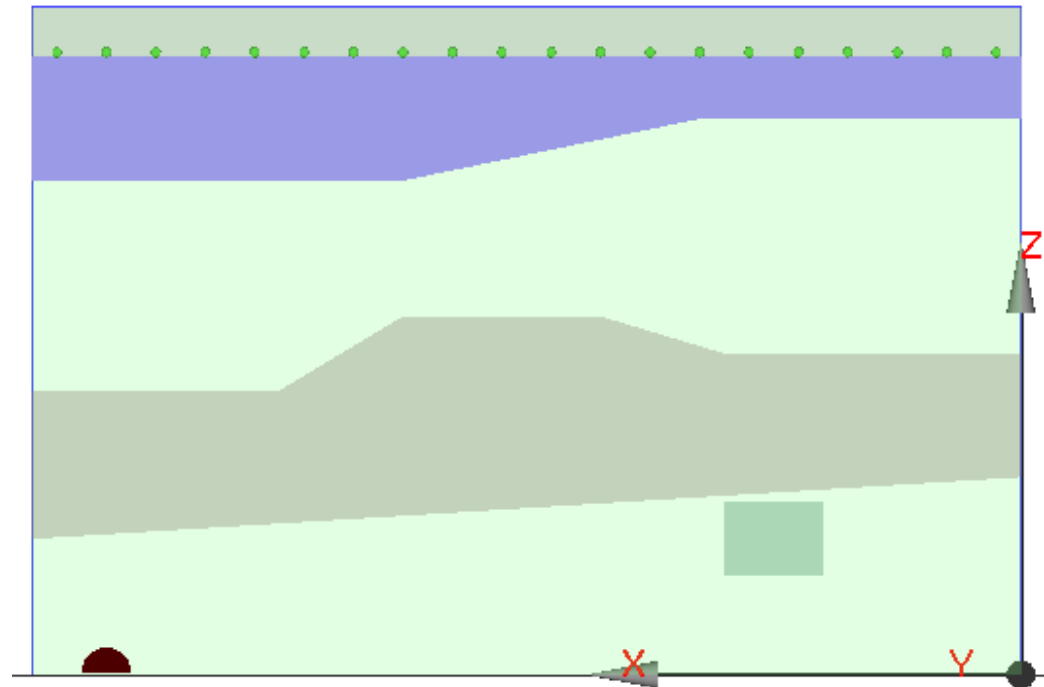
- we can “**SaveAs**” project “**Layered_2D_01.wnt**” as “**Layered_2D_01_tri.wnt**”
- delete the original sources
- convert all observers to monopole sources



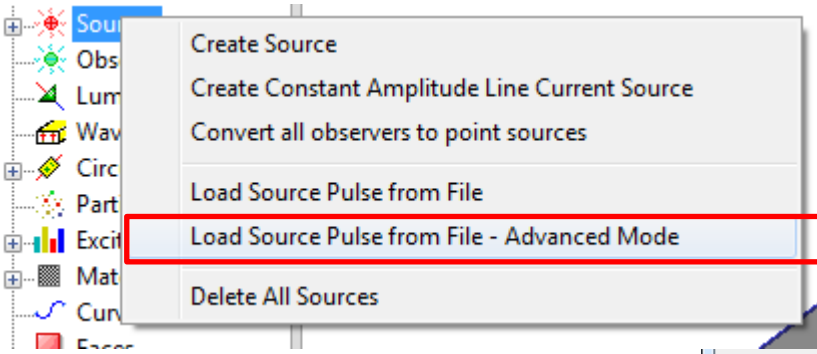
Then we get the project as



Converted sources array



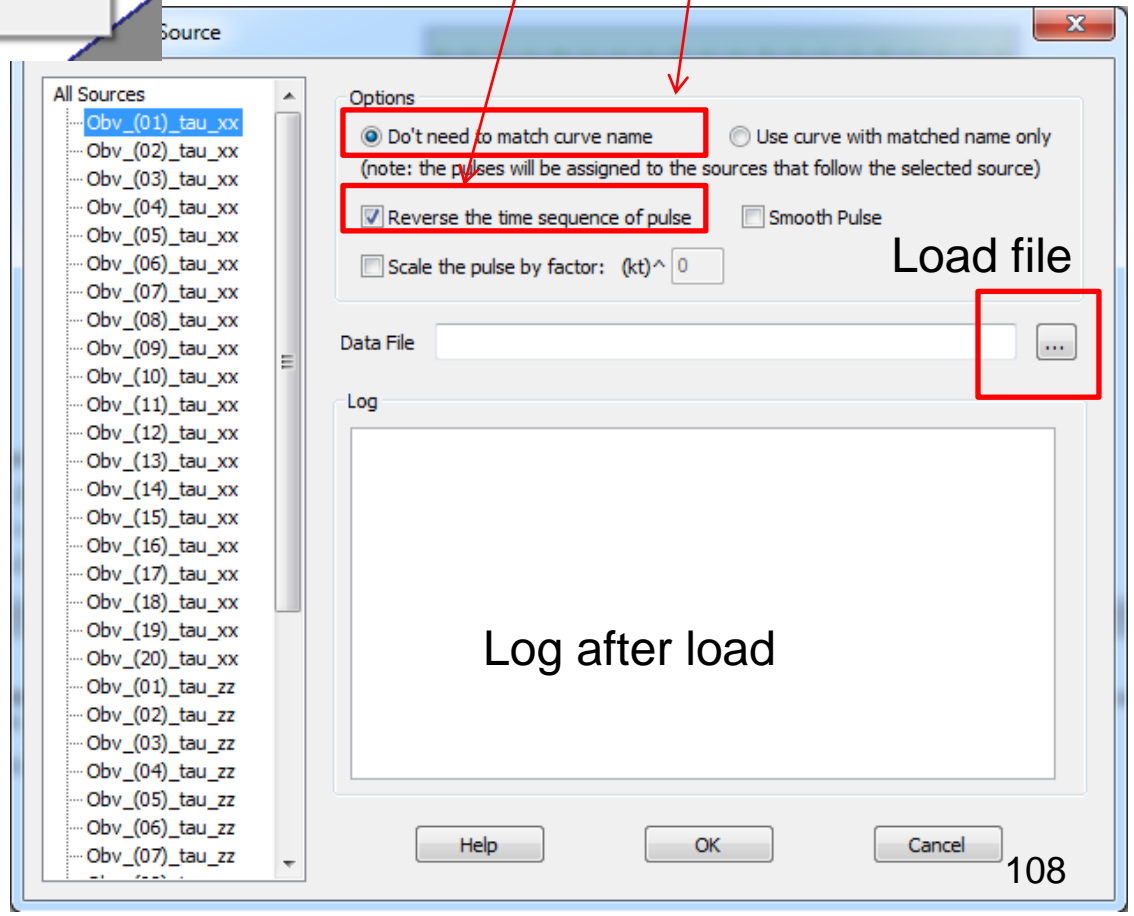
➤ Load signal to sources as the excitation pulse



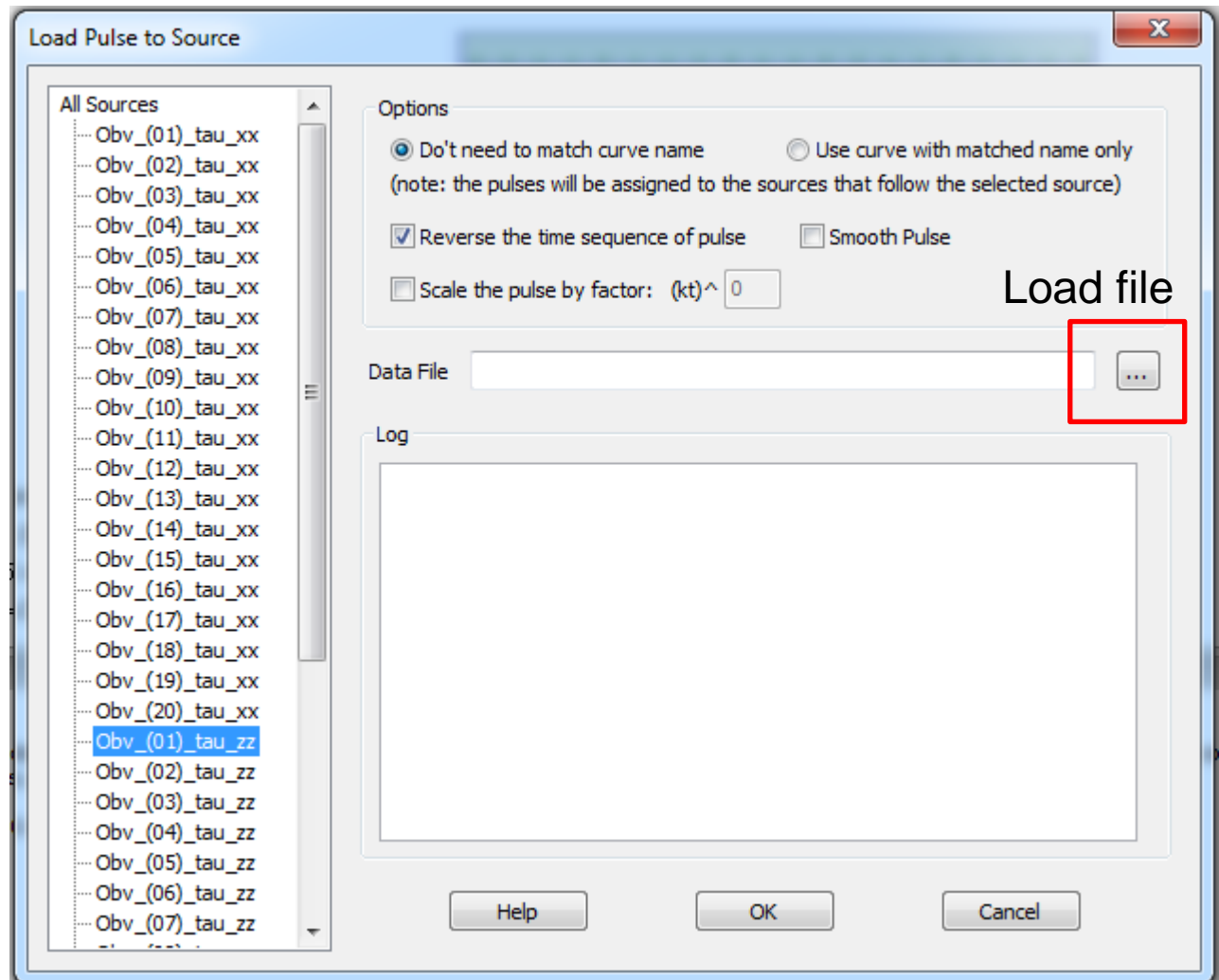
Reverse trace time in loading

Do not need name matching

Select the 1st named with **Tau_{xx}** source.
Load pulse from data file:
Layered_2D_01_obs_v_txx_time.txt



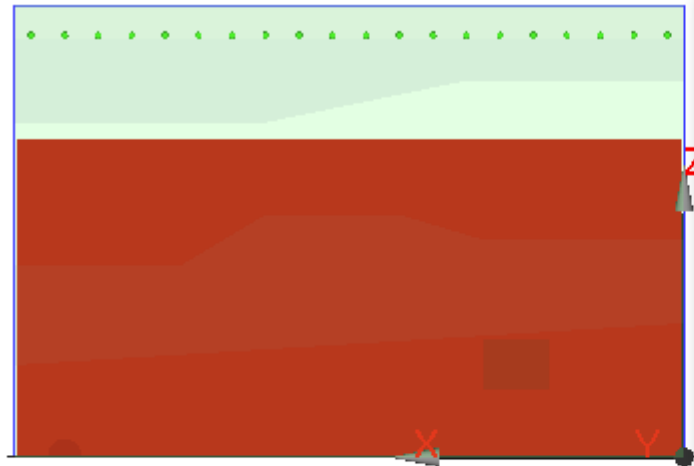
Select the 1st named with **Tau_zz** source.
Load pulse from data file:
Layered_2D_01_obv_tzz_time.txt



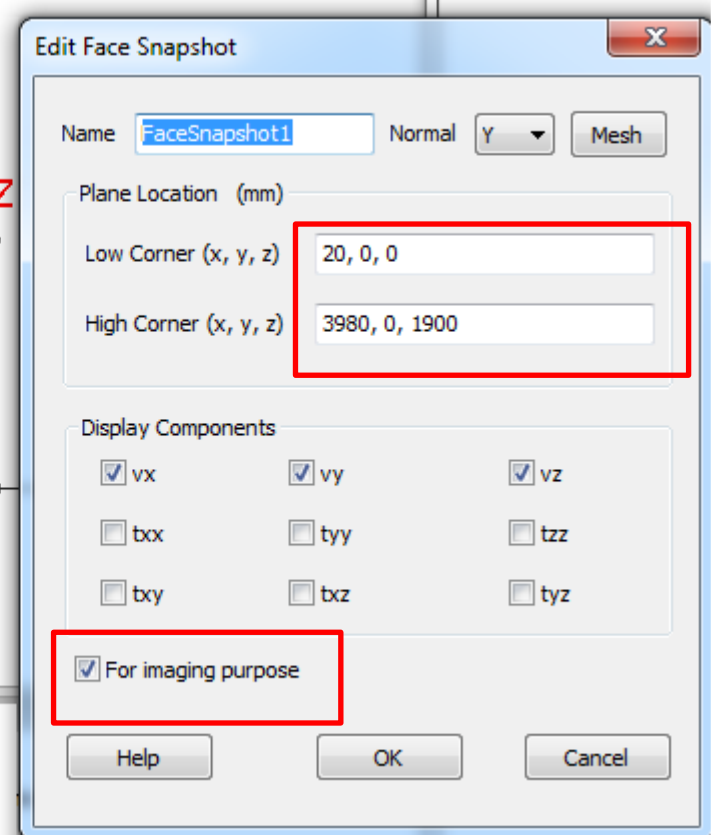
➤ define a 2D snapshot for imaging



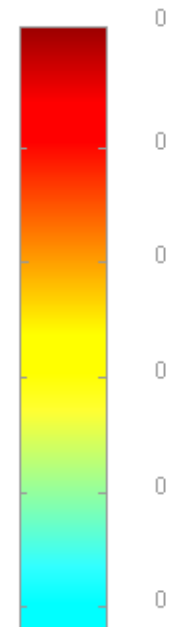
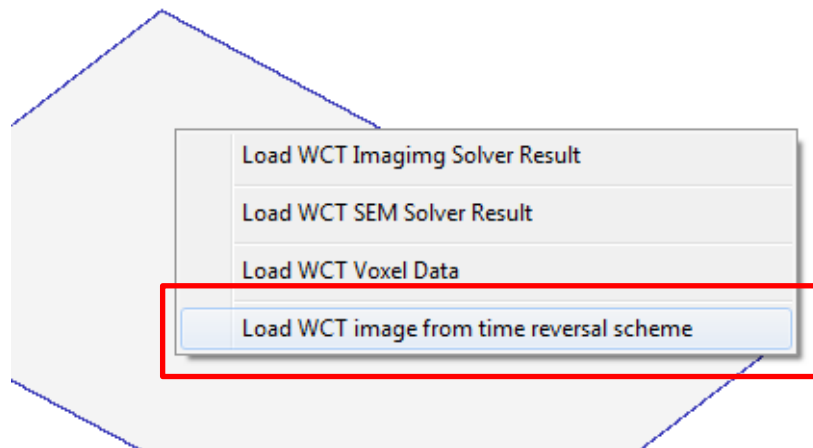
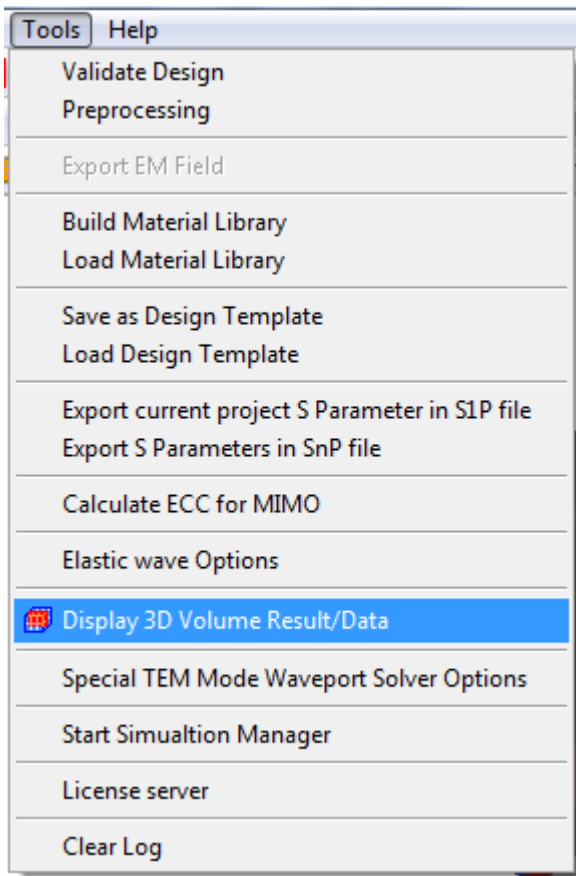
Snapshot area



if,inf)



Simulate the project. After finish, we load the image with the maximum energy.



We can see the maximum energy position match the source array position.

