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A Possible Improvement on Helioseismic Holography

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Helioseismic holography is a powerful technique to probe the solar interior and its application of detecting active regions on the far-side of the Sun plays an important role in the space weather prediction. The basic principle of helioseismic holography is that the wavefield can be estimated by the backpropagation (in time) of the acoustic waves observed at the surface into any depth in the Sun. Porter-Bojarski holography, which is a well-established method used in acoustics to recover sources and scatterers in 3D, is also an estimation of the wavefield, and hence has the potential to be applied to helioseismology. Through a comparison of the two imaging techniques in a solar-like stratified background medium, I find that PB holography better resolves acoustic sources than helioseismic holography. In order to implement PB holography in the Sun, however, a method for determining the normal derivative of the wavefield needs to be developed.