



Three-dimensional numerical simulation of wave propagation through model sunspots

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The subsurface structure of sunspots has only recently become amenable to observation through helioseismology, which uses acoustic and surface-gravity waves to 'see' beneath the solar surface. Part of the anticipated progress depends on 3-D simulations. In this regard we have used the SLiM code to simulate wave propagation through some 3-dimensional models of sunspots, looking for the 'fingerprints' of the different sunspot models.