

Contrast-source inversion of CSEM and MT data

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Introduction

Contrast-source inversion

- Whenever you have a Lippmann-Schwinger equation
- Developed by P. van den Berg and co-workers (Abubakar and van den Berg, Inverse Problems, 2002)

Some applications:

- Medical acoustic imaging: van den Berg et al.
- Ground-penetrating radar: Feng et al (2003)
- Diffusive EM fields: Wiik et al. (2011)

Publications

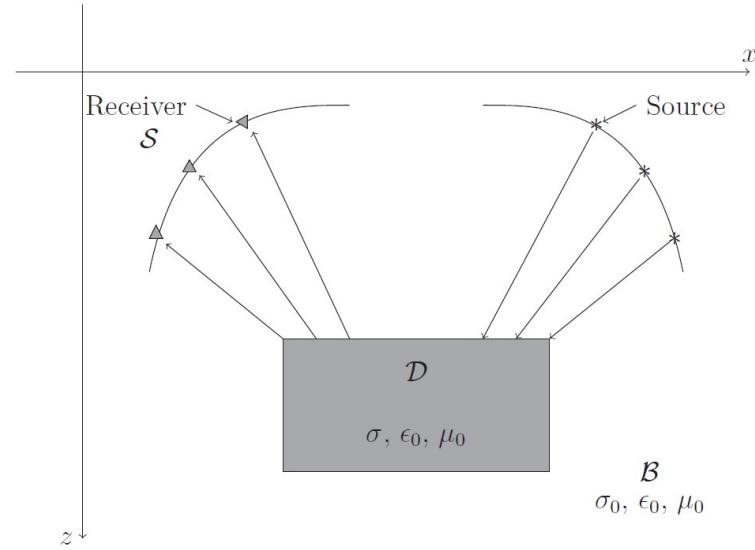
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- Wiik,T., Løseth,L., Ursin,B. and Hokstad,K, 2011, **TIV contrast source inversion of mCSEM data:** Geophysics 76, F65-F76
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Background and anomaly

Anomalous conductivity

$$\chi_h = \frac{\sigma_h}{\sigma_{0,v}} - \Upsilon \quad \chi_v = \frac{\sigma_v}{\sigma_{0,v}} - 1$$

$$\boldsymbol{\chi} = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_h & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \chi_h & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \chi_v \end{pmatrix}$$



Lippmann-Schwinger

$$e_i(\mathbf{x}) = e_i^{\text{inc}}(\mathbf{x}) + \int_{\mathcal{D}} G_{ij}^E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \sigma_{0,v}(\mathbf{x}') \chi_{jj}(\mathbf{x}') e_j(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}', \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{D}$$

Scattered E and H fields

Data equation

$$\begin{aligned} f_i^E(\mathbf{x}) &= \int_{\mathcal{D}} G_{ij}^E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \sigma_{0,v}(\mathbf{x}') \chi_{jj}(\mathbf{x}') e_j(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}', \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_i \\ f_i^H(\mathbf{x}) &= \int_{\mathcal{D}} G_{ij}^H(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') \sigma_{0,v}(\mathbf{x}') \chi_{jj}(\mathbf{x}') e_j(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}', \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}_i \end{aligned}$$

(Lippmann-Schwinger again)

Operator notation

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{e}^{\text{inc}} + G^{E,\mathcal{D}} \chi \mathbf{e},$$

Lippmann-Schwinger
on anomaly

$$\mathbf{f}^E = G^{E,\mathcal{S}} \chi \mathbf{e},$$

Scattered E-field on receiver

$$\mathbf{f}^H = G^{H,\mathcal{S}} \chi \mathbf{e},$$

Scattered H-field on receiver

Contrast sources

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{W}_{\text{CSEM}} &= \left\{ \mathbf{w}_{\text{CSEM}}^{j,k} \right\}_{j=1 \dots N_s}^{k=1 \dots N_{f_{\text{CSEM}}}} = \left\{ \chi \mathbf{e}_{\text{CSEM}}^{j,k} \right\}_{j=1 \dots N_s}^{k=1 \dots N_{f_{\text{CSEM}}}}, \\ \mathcal{W}_{\text{MT}} &= \left\{ \mathbf{w}_{\text{MT}}^k \right\}_{k=1 \dots N_{f_{\text{MT}}}} = \left\{ \chi \mathbf{e}_{\text{MT}}^k \right\}_{k=1 \dots N_{f_{\text{MT}}}},\end{aligned}$$

Operators

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{e}^{\text{inc}} + G^{E,\mathcal{D}} \mathbf{w},$$

$$\mathbf{f}^E = G^{E,\mathcal{S}} \mathbf{w},$$

$$\mathbf{f}^H = G^{H,\mathcal{S}} \mathbf{w}.$$

Objective function

$$\begin{aligned}
F_1(\mathcal{W}_{\text{CSEM}}, \mathcal{W}_{\text{MT}}, \chi) = & \alpha_{1,\text{CSEM}}^E \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{f}_{\text{CSEM}}}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \left\| \Xi_{\text{CSEM}}^{E,j,k} \left(\mathbf{f}_{\text{CSEM}}^{E,j,k} - G^{E,\mathcal{S},k} \mathbf{w}_{\text{CSEM}}^{j,k} \right) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}}^2 \\
& + \alpha_{1,\text{CSEM}}^H \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{f}_{\text{CSEM}}}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \left\| \Xi_{\text{CSEM}}^{H,j,k} \left(\mathbf{f}_{\text{CSEM}}^{H,j,k} - G^{H,\mathcal{S},k} \mathbf{w}_{\text{CSEM}}^{j,k} \right) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}}^2 \\
& + \alpha_{2,\text{CSEM}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{f}_{\text{CSEM}}}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \left\| \chi \mathbf{e}_{\text{CSEM}}^{\text{inc},j,k} - \mathbf{w}_{\text{CSEM}}^{j,k} + \chi G^{E,\mathcal{D},k} \mathbf{w}_{\text{CSEM}}^{j,k} \right\|_{\mathcal{D}}^2 \\
& + \alpha_{1,\text{MT}}^E \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{f}_{\text{MT}}}} \left\| \Xi_{\text{MT}}^{E,k} \left(\mathbf{f}_{\text{MT}}^{E,k} - G^{E,\mathcal{S},k} \mathbf{w}_{\text{MT}}^k \right) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}}^2 \\
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& + \alpha_{2,\text{MT}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{\text{f}_{\text{MT}}}} \left\| \chi \mathbf{e}_{\text{MT}}^{\text{inc},k} - \mathbf{w}_{\text{MT}}^k + \chi G^{E,\mathcal{D},k} \mathbf{w}_{\text{MT}}^k \right\|_{\mathcal{D}}^2
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& + \text{Regularization}
\end{aligned}
\quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{CSEM} \\ \text{data fit} \end{array} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Lippmann-} \\ \text{Schwinger} \end{array} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{MT} \\ \text{data fit} \end{array} \right\} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Lippmann-} \\ \text{Schwinger} \end{array} \right\}$$

Contrast-source inversion

foreach iteration

foreach CSEM source and frequency

minimize J w.r.t. $\mathbf{w}_{\text{CSEM}}^{j,k}$

end

foreach MT frequency

minimize J w.r.t. \mathbf{w}_{MT}^k

end

Minimize J w.r.t. $\boldsymbol{\chi}$

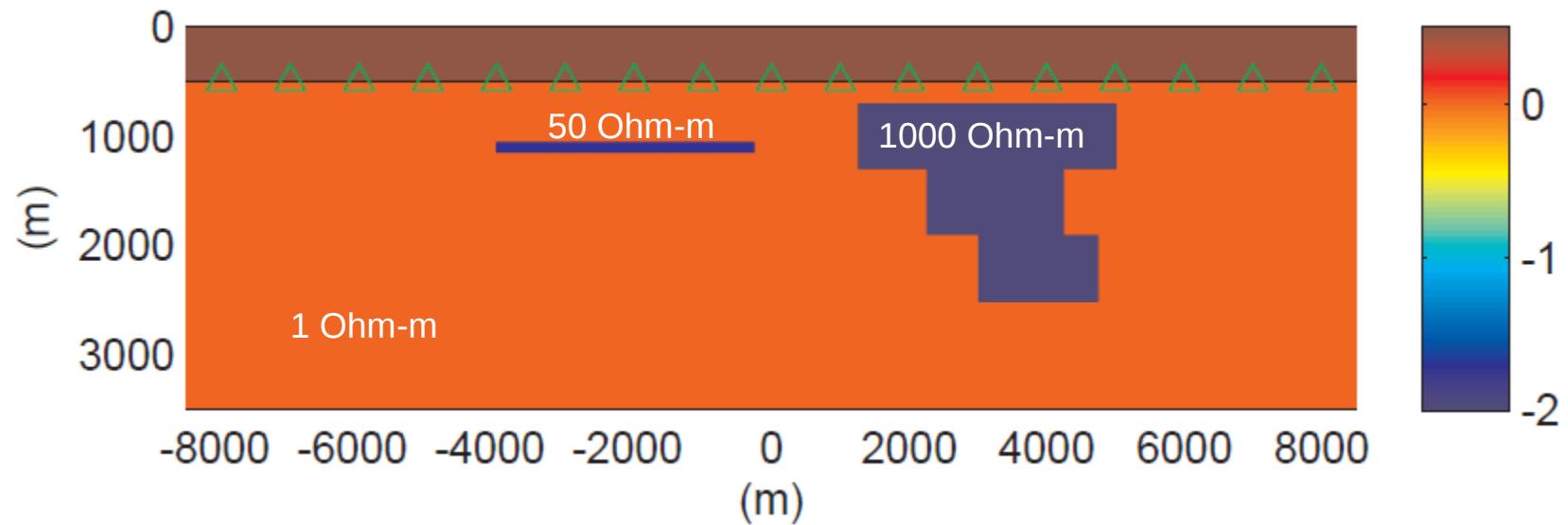
Stop or continue?

end

Objective function and regularization

$$\begin{aligned} J = & F_1(\mathcal{W}_{\text{CSEM}}, \mathcal{W}_{\text{MT}}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) \\ & + \lambda^2 \|\Omega(\boldsymbol{\chi} - \boldsymbol{\chi}^{\text{ref}})\|_{\mathcal{D}}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Synthetic example - isotropic



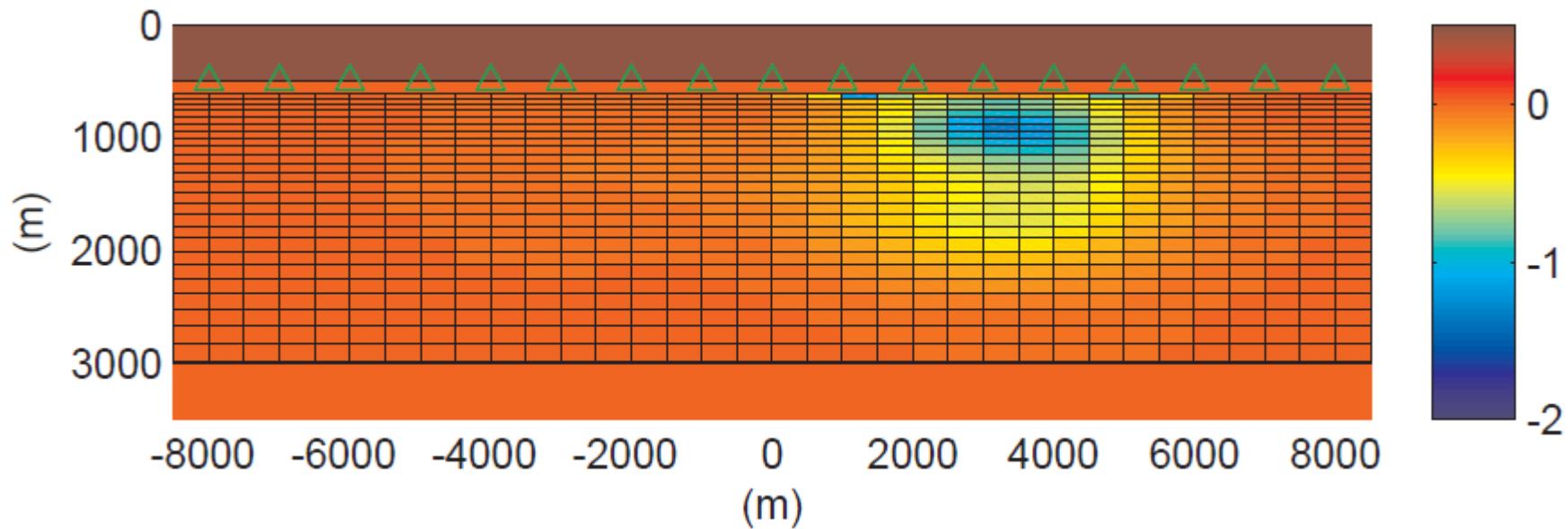
CSEM:

- $f=0.25$ Hz

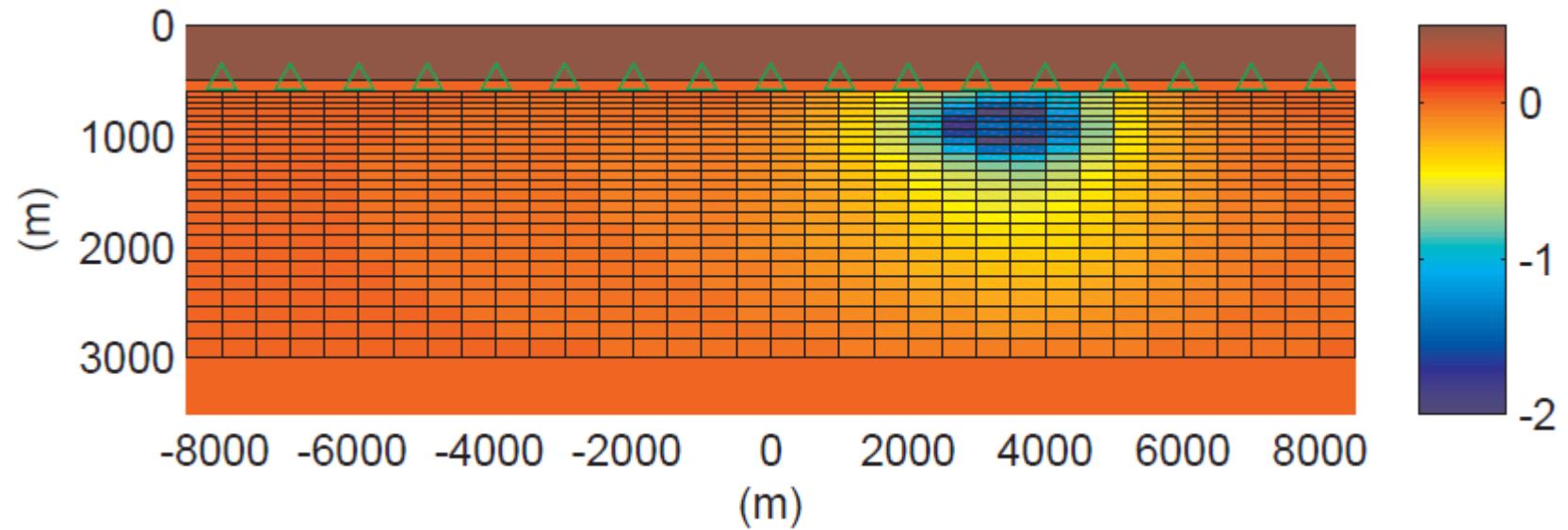
MT:

- $T=\{10, 20, 40, 100\}$ s, $f=\{0.1, 0.05, 0.025, 0.01\}$ Hz

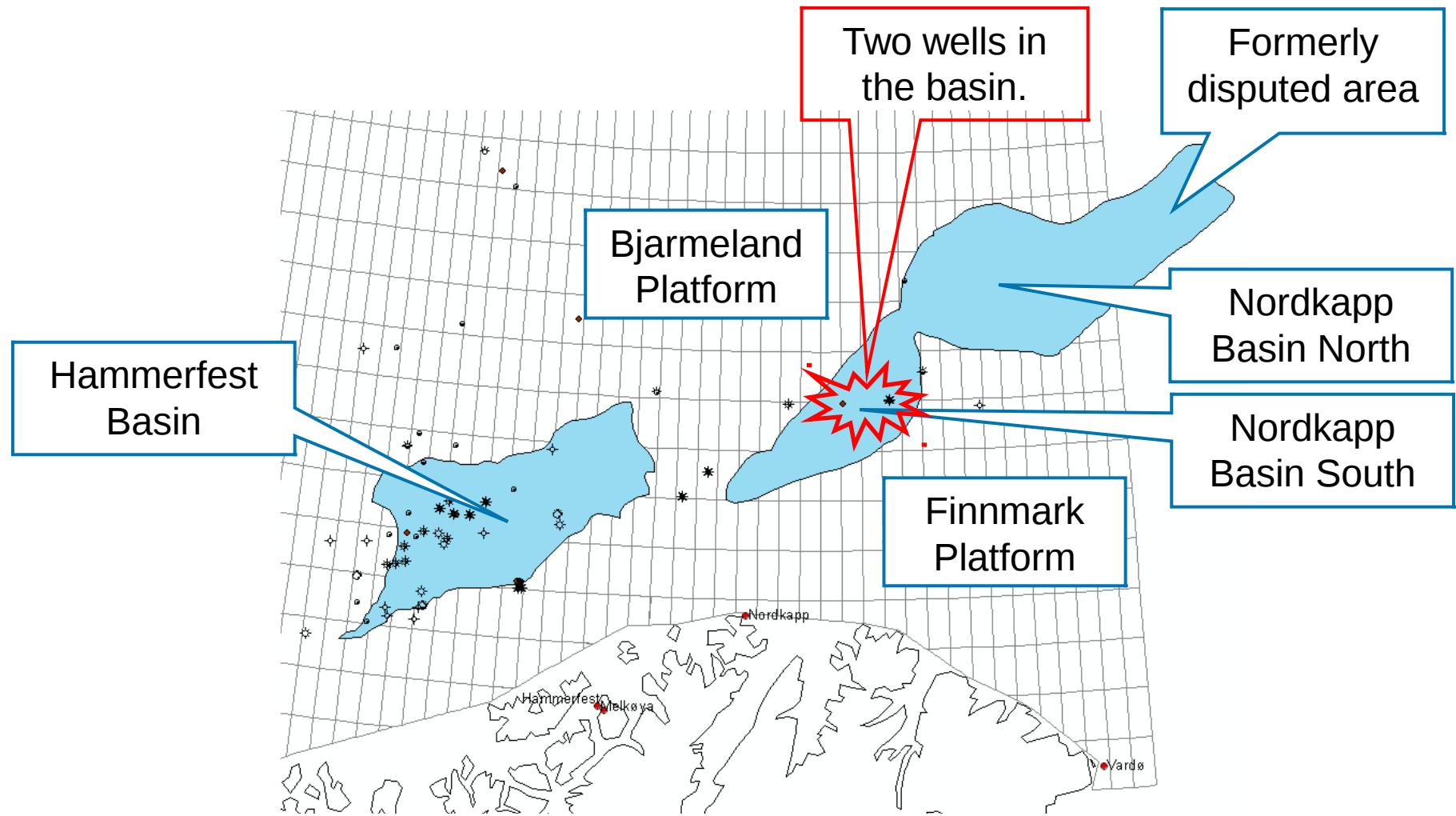
MT inversion



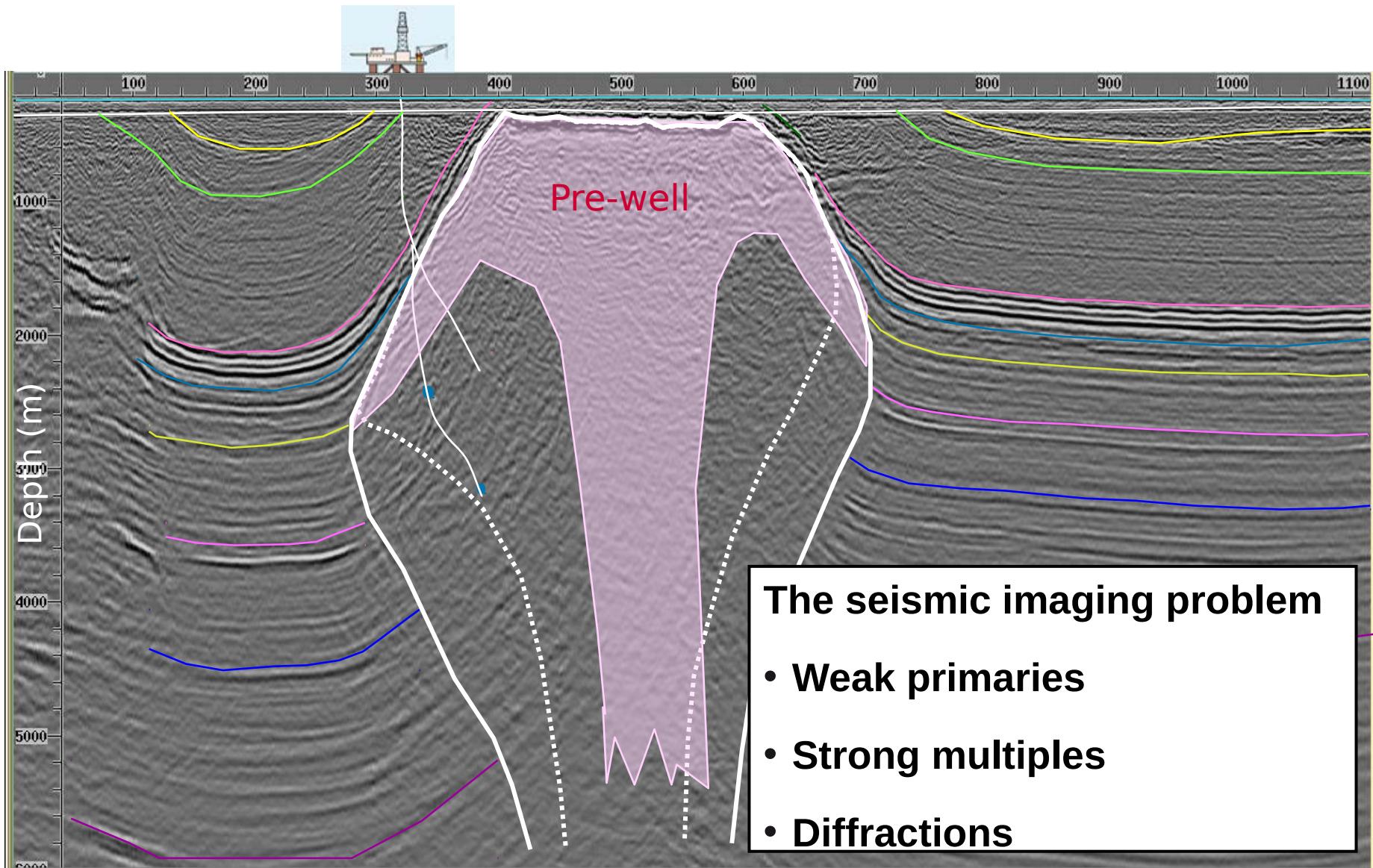
Joint MT+CSEM inversion



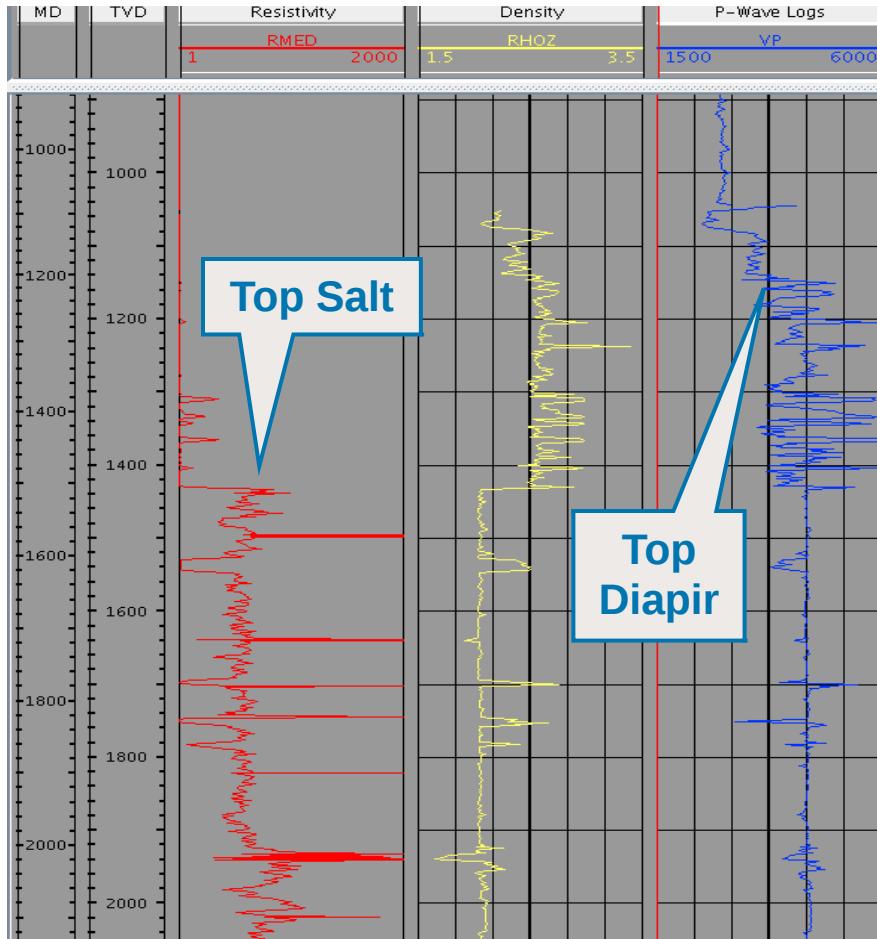
The Nordkapp Basin - Location



Uranus pre and post-well interpretations



Can we image the salt-sediment interface with non-seismic geophysics?

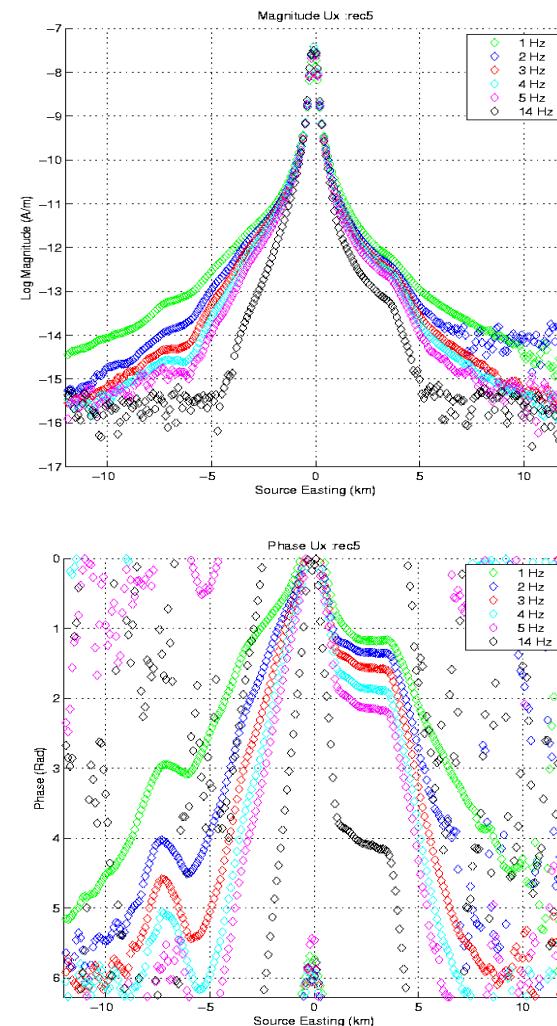
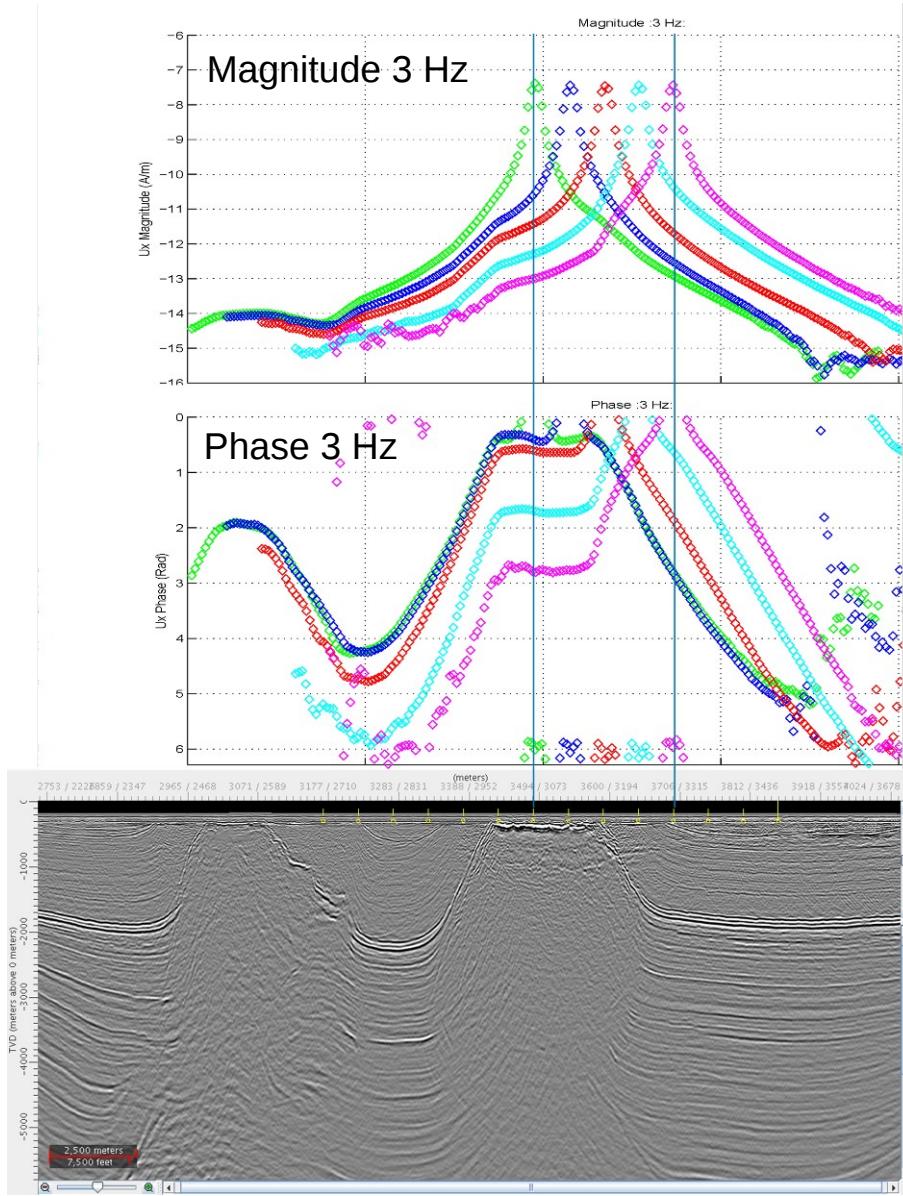


Characteristic properties of rock salt:

- Low mass density
 - Gravimetry
- High electric resistivity
 - Magnetotellurics
 - Controlled-Source EM
- Seismic is needed to get the details

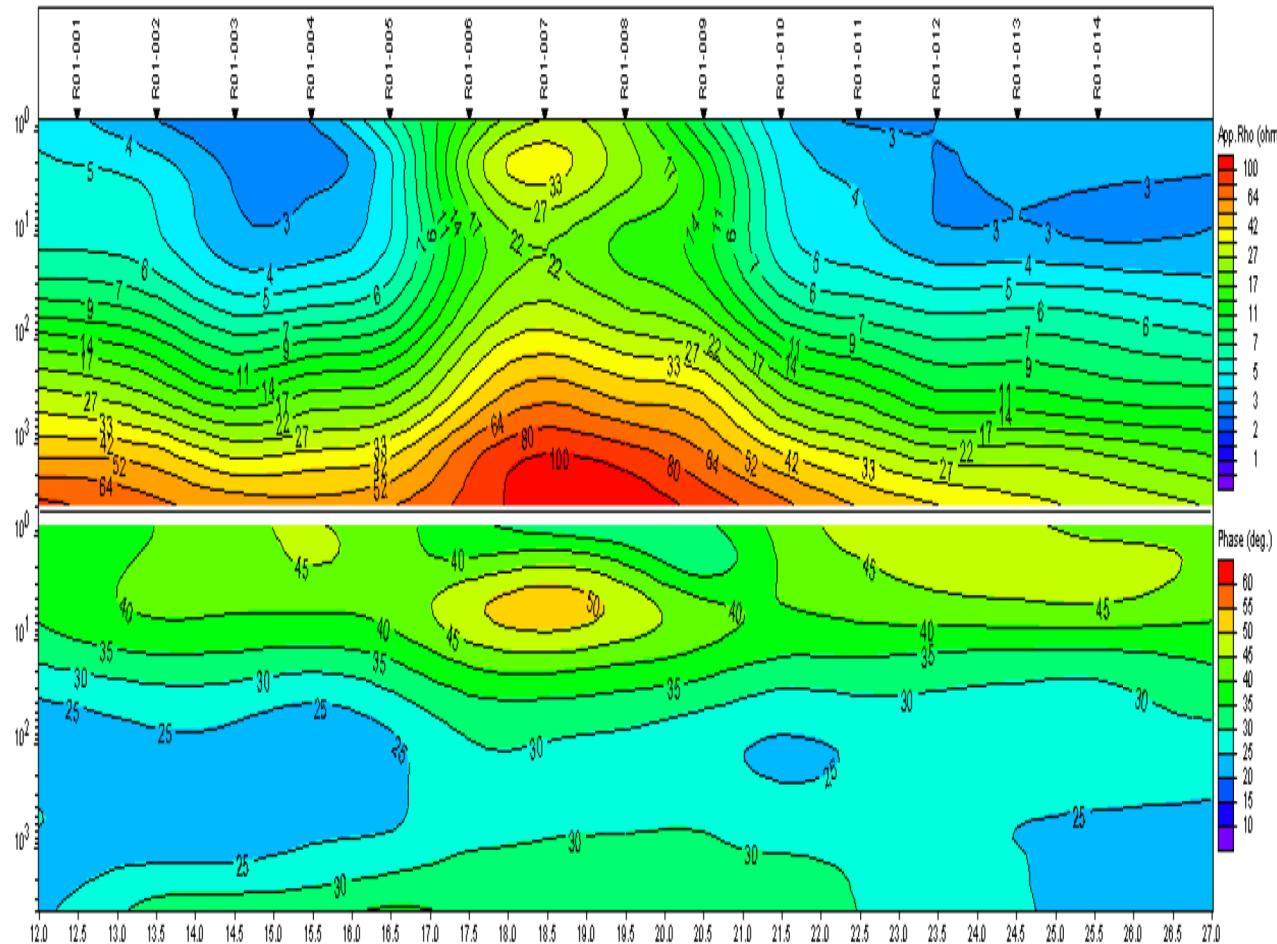
The failure of the Uranus well triggered major geophysical efforts

CSEM magnitude and phase – inline E field

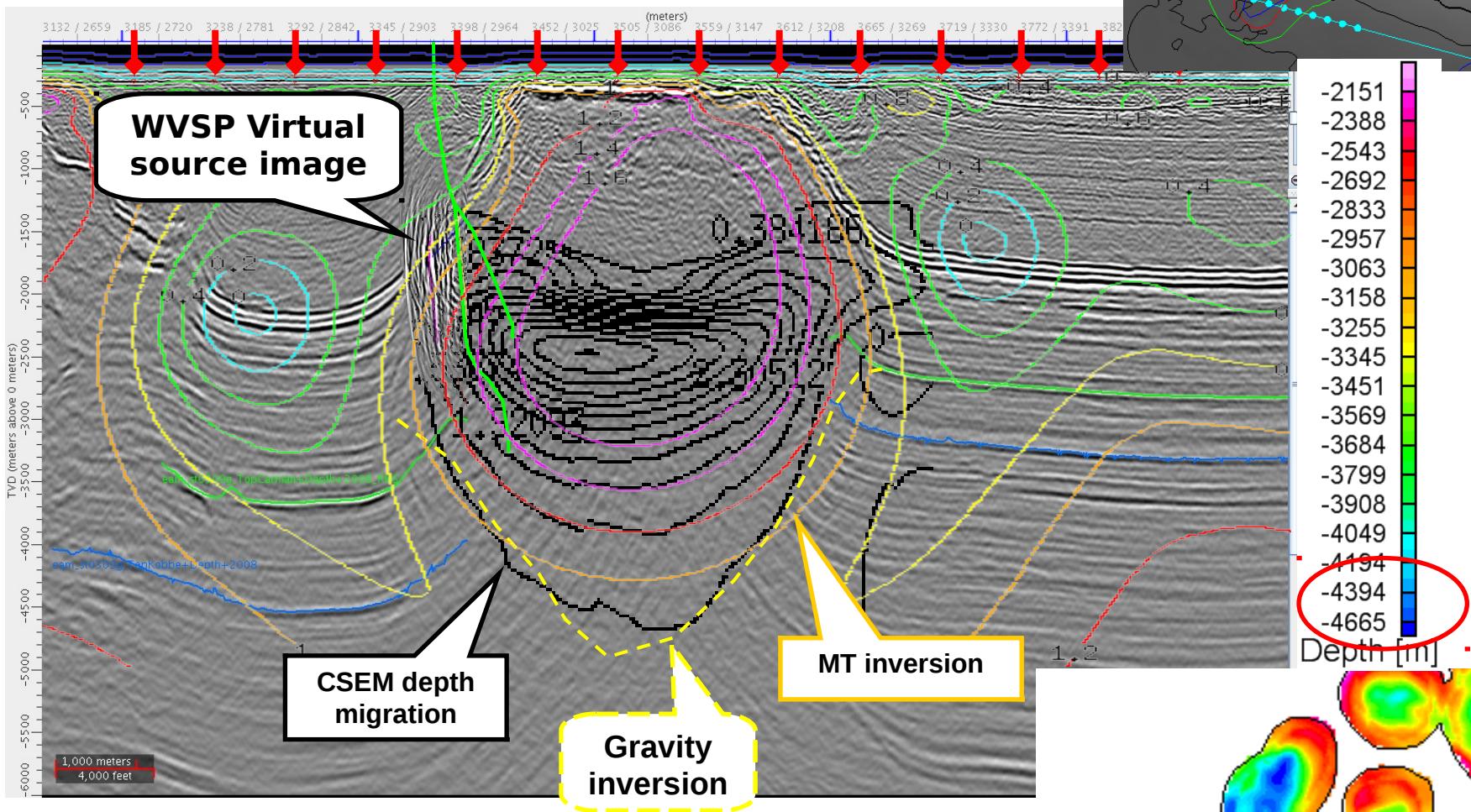


MT apparent resistivity

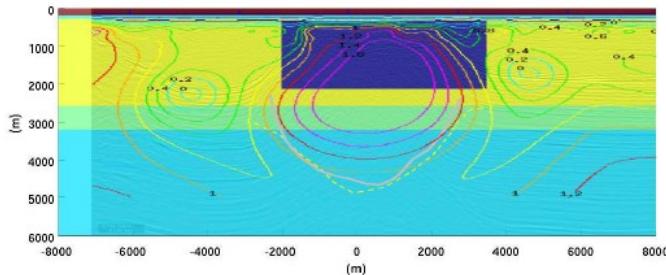
TM
mode



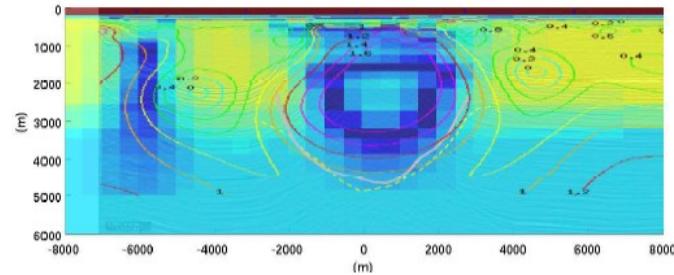
Uranus – previous results



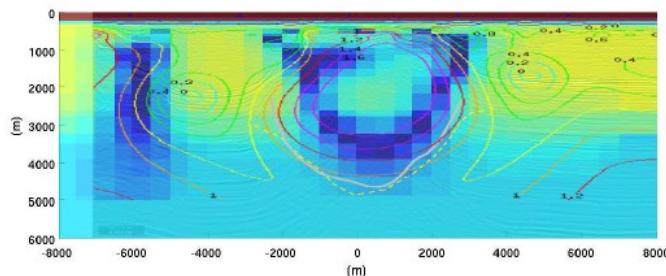
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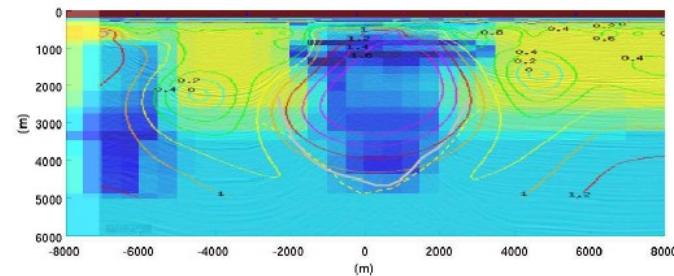
Initial model



Sequential MT+CSEM inversion



MT inversion



Simultaneous MT+CSEM inversion



Real MT data

Conventional approach

- Impedance tensor Z is standard output from MT processing

$$E_I = Z_{IJ} H_J, \quad I, J = 1, 2$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{H}$$

- Inversion of impedance tensor or apparent resistivity

Our approach:

- Return to E- and H-fields

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ H_x \\ H_y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & Z \\ Z^{-1} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \\ H_x \\ H_y \end{bmatrix}$$

- Solve an eigenvalue/eigenvector problem with unit eigenvalues
- Only minor modifications of inversion scheme needed
- Other options being investigated ...

Conclusions

- Contrast source inversion developed for diffusive EM fields
- Current implementation in Matlab; large speedup expected by porting to Fortran and cluster
- Tested on real and synthetic CSEM and MT data
- Results on real data from Uranus are in agreement with previous results obtained with other methods