Reverse-time true amplitude migration

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Incorrect AVO behavior



Correct reflection coefficients



[Arntsen et al., 2013] [Zhang et al., 2014]

Overview

- 1. Introduction
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Introduction

- 1. AVO analysis important for exploration and reservoir characterization
- 2. Output gathers from migration should ideally be equal to angle-dependent reflection coefficient
- 3. The most commonly used imaging condition in Reverse-time migration gives gathers with incorrect angle-dependence
- 4. Simple modification of Claerbouts (1971) imaging condition gives correct angle dependence
- 5. Theoretically sound













Using an approach described by f.ex [Vasconcelos et al., 2010] one finds: New imaging condition for multicomponent streamer data:

$$r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_s} \int dt \, \partial_z p_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t) p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_s, t) - \sum_{\mathbf{x}_s} \int dt \, p_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t) \partial_z p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_s, t)$$
(1)

New imaging condition for conventional streamer data:

$$r(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_s} \int dt \, \partial_z p_0(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}_s,t) p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}',\mathbf{x}_s,t)$$
(2)

[Ordoñez et al., 2014] Old imaging condition: (Rickett and Sava, 2002)

$$r_c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_s} \int dt \, p_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t) p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_s, t) \tag{3}$$



Plane wave reflection coefficient:

$$r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}_h, z) = \int d\mathbf{h} \, \exp(i\mathbf{k}_h \cdot \mathbf{h}) r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \tag{4}$$





Velocity



Data at depth:



$p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t)$ at depth of 1000 m.



 $\hat{p}_0(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}_s,t)$ at depth of 1000 m



Data at depth 1000m

New imaging condition:

$$r(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', t = 0) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_s} \int dt \, \partial_z p_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t) p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_s, t)$$
(5)

Old imaging condition:

$$r_c(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', t=0) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}_s} \int dt \, p_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t) p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_s, t) \tag{6}$$

Reflectivity $p_{sc}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t = 0)$ at depth of 1000 m using new imaging condition



Source-Receiver Redatuming t=0

Reflectivity $p_{sc}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t = 0)$ at depth of 1000 m using old imaging condition



Reflectivity $p_{sc}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t = 0)$ at all depths using new imaging condition



Full section $p_{sc}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}' = 0, t)$ at all depths using new imaging condition



Zero offset section

Plane wave reflection coefficient $p_{sc}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t)$ at depth of 1000 m using new imaging condition



Plane wave reflection coefficient

Plane wave reflection coefficient $p_{sc}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}', t)$ at depth of 1000 m using old imaging condition



Reflection coefficient at three different depths using new imaging condition



Plane wave reflection coefficient

Reflection coefficient at three different depths using old imaging condition



Plane wave reflection coefficient

Summary/Conclusion

- New imaging condition gives correct Amplitude-Versus-Angle behavior
- Easy to implement for reverse-time migration
- Simple modification of existing imaging condition

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$$p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) = -\int_{S} dS(\mathbf{x}') \rho^{-1}(\mathbf{x}') \partial_{z} p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) * \hat{g}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', t) + \int_{S} dS(\mathbf{x}') \rho^{-1}(\mathbf{x}') \partial_{z} \hat{g}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', t) * p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t)$$
(7)

$$p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) \approx \int_{S} dS(\mathbf{x}') \rho^{-1}(\mathbf{x}') 2\partial_{z} \hat{g}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', t) * p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t)$$
(8)

- $\hat{g}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t)$: Anticausal background Green's function
- ρ : Density
- *: Time convolution

$$p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', t) * \hat{s}(t) = - \int_{S} dS(\mathbf{x}_{s}) \rho^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{s}) \partial_{z} p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) * \hat{\rho}_{0}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) + \int_{S} dS(\mathbf{x}_{s}) \partial_{z} \hat{\rho}_{0}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) * p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t)$$
(9)

$$p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', t) * \hat{s}(t) \approx \int_{S} ds(\mathbf{x}_{s}) \partial_{z} \hat{p}_{0}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) * p_{sc}(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}_{s}, t) \quad (10)$$

• $\hat{p}_0(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, t)$: Anticausal downgoing wavefield