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A practical comparison of different parameterizations for anisotropic elastic full-waveform inversion

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- Choice of parameterization can affect results in FWI.
- Apply FWI using different parameterizations to the same problem and examine differences.
- Parameterizations:
 - 1. $V_{P0}, V_{S0}, \varepsilon, \delta$ 2. $V_{P0}, V_{S0}, V_{hor}, V_{nmo}$ 3. $V_{nmo}, V_{S0}, \eta, \delta$
- Inverted for V_{P0} in a complex model.
- Multiparameter inversion in a simple model.



- In FWI we want to find a parameter model **m** that can produce modeled data **u** which is close to some measured data **d**.
- Apply a numerical wave operator that maps ${\bf m}$ from the model domain into the data domain:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{m}) = \mathbf{u}.\tag{1}$$

• Ideally, find an inverse operator to map ${\bf d}$ from the data domain to the model domain:

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathcal{L}^{-1}(\mathbf{d}). \tag{2}$$



(4)

• Define a misfit functional:

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{n_s} \sum_{i=0}^{n_r} ||\hat{\mathbf{u}}_{i,j}(\mathbf{m}) - \hat{\mathbf{d}}_{i,j}||_2^2.$$
(3)

• The solution is an extreme point of $\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})$:

$$\mathbf{m}' = \operatorname*{arg\ min}_{\mathbf{m}} \ \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m}).$$





• Update the model iteratively:

$$\mathbf{m}_{k+1} = \mathbf{m}_k - \alpha_k \mathbf{H}_k^{-1} \delta \mathbf{m}_k.$$
 (5)

- Hessian matrix contains second derivatives of the misfit functional
 - Approximated from previous gradients (L-BFGS)
- Gradients are found via the adjoint method, Mora (1987).

$$\delta \hat{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{n_s} \int dt \sum_{n_r} \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{S}}, \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{R}}, t)}{\partial \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x})} \delta u_i(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{S}}, \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{R}}, t).$$
(6)
$$\delta u_i(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{S}}, \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{R}}, t) = \int_V dV \frac{\partial u_i(\mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{S}}, \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{R}}, t)}{\partial \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x})} \delta \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{x}).$$
(7)

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Gradients, 3D

$$\begin{split} \delta\rho &= -\sum_{n_s} \int \mathrm{d}t \dot{u}_j \dot{\Psi}_j, \\ \delta c_{11} &= -\sum_{n_s} \int \mathrm{d}t (u_{1,1} + u_{2,2}) (\Psi_{1,1} + \Psi_{2,2}), \\ \delta c_{33} &= -\sum_{n_s} \int \mathrm{d}t u_{3,3} \Psi_{3,3}, \\ \delta c_{13} &= -\sum_{n_s} \int \mathrm{d}t u_{3,3} (u_{1,1} + u_{2,2}) + (\Psi_{1,1} + \Psi_{2,2}) u_{3,3} \Big], \\ \delta c_{13} &= -\sum_{n_s} \int \mathrm{d}t \Big[\Psi_{3,3} (u_{1,1} + u_{2,2}) + (\Psi_{1,1} + \Psi_{2,2}) u_{3,3} \Big], \\ \delta c_{13} &= -2(\Psi_{2,2} u_{1,1} + \Psi_{1,1} u_{2,2}) \Big]. \end{split}$$

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Gradients for parameterizations, 2D

1)

$$\delta V_{P0} = k_{11} \delta c_{11} + k_{12} \delta c_{13} + k_{13} \delta c_{33},$$

$$\delta V_{S0} = k_{14} \delta c_{13} + k_{15} \delta c_{44},$$

$$\delta \varepsilon = k_{16} \delta c_{11},$$

$$\delta \delta = k_{17} \delta c_{13},$$

2)

$$\delta V_{P0} = k_{21}\delta c_{13} + k_{22}\delta c_{33},$$

 $\delta V_{S0} = k_{23}\delta c_{13} + k_{24}\delta c_{44},$
 $\delta V_{hor} = k_{25}\delta c_{11},$
 $\delta V_{nmo} = k_{26}\delta c_{13},$

3)

$$\delta V_{nmo} = k_{31}\delta c_{11} + k_{32}\delta c_{13} + k_{33}\delta c_{33},$$

$$\delta V_{S0} = k_{34}\delta c_{13} + k_{35}\delta c_{44},$$

$$\delta \eta = k_{36}\delta c_{11},$$

$$\delta \delta = k_{37}\delta c_{13} + k_{38}\delta c_{44},$$

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Complex model

- Synthetic model representative of the Gullfaks field
- 10 km long, 3 km deep
- 1001×300 grid points
- Total of 101 shots and 1001 receivers
- Source: 5 Hz Ricker wavelet
- Receivers: Pressure
- Gradient muted in the water layer



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Simple model

- Homogeneous model with a Gaussian perturbation in V_{P0} or ε
- ~3.5 km long, ~2 km deep
- 500×300 grid points
- Transmission experiment: 34 shots at the top, 500 receivers at the bottom
- Source: 10 Hz Ricker wavelet
- Receivers: P, Vz, Vx
- $V_{P0} = 3000 \text{ m/s}, V_{S0} = 1500 \text{ m/s},$ $\varepsilon = 0.1, \delta = -0.05.$







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Complex model



(a) Parameterization 1

(b) Parameterization 2



(c) Parameterization 3

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Simple model V_{P0} , parameterization 1









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Simple model ε , parameterization 3















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