

Relaxing the initial model constraint for crustal-scale full waveform inversion with graph space optimal transport misfit function

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- Dense nodes increasing the data redundancy GO_3D_OBS model









Problem

- Precision of picking and prediction of first arrivals determines occurrence of cycle-skipping
- The criteria is difficult to fulfil ⇒ far offsets
 - \Rightarrow long time of propagation
 - \Rightarrow more wavelets to propagate
 - \Rightarrow accumulation of error
 - \Rightarrow higher probability of cycle-skipping (Pratt, 2008)
- Lack of information about the later arrivals

Solution

- \Rightarrow extract more information to constrain better tomographic model
- \Rightarrow use more convex misfit function able to mitigate cycle-skipping issue





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Recently Optimal Transport has been proposed to design more convex misfit functions.

• OT distance looks for an optimal mapping M between synthetic and observed data



• OT is convex with respect to shifted patterns - proxy to convexity with respect to wave velocities



(Métivier et al., 2019)





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• QUESTION: Can we combine GSOT with proper data selection to relax the cycle-skipping constraint on the initial FWI model?



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- TD acoustic FWI
- LBFGS optimization
- Density const. or true
- Single frequency band
- 3 time-windows
- MPI over OBS



Convexity analysis



Population of the V_{α} models generated according to formula:

$$V_{\alpha} = V_{true} + \alpha^2 (V_{init} - V_{true})$$

where -1 $\leq \alpha \leq$ 1.







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TRUE MODEL



FINAL MODEL: ~400 iterations; ~30 hours; 3 nodes; 72 cores



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- GSOT-based FWI can significantly reduce the constrain on the accuracy of initial FWI model
- Traveltimes defining mute window can be approximate and not precise less problematic picking
- Multiscale FWI strategy and proper data-selection seem still obligatory
- Challenges for real data application accurate source estimation, elastic effects, noise
- Future development extensions from trace-by-trace to 2D misfit





GO_3D_OBS model





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