Waveform inversion via reduced order modeling

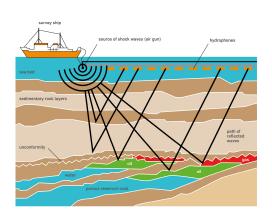
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Motivation: seismic exploration



- Reduced order model (ROM) framework for acoustic velocity estimation:
- 1 Construct a **data-driven**ROM from the data
- 2 Formulate velocity estimation as ROM misfit optimization problem
- ROM misfit objective is much better behaved than conventional FWI least squares data misfit objective

Velocity estimation problem

 Setting: array of m sources/receivers (collocated at x_s) drives pressure waves

$$[\partial_t^2 - c^2(\mathbf{x})\Delta] \rho^s(t,\mathbf{x}) = f'(t)\theta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_s), \quad s = 1,\dots, m,$$
$$\rho^s(t,\mathbf{x}) \equiv 0, \quad t \ll 0,$$

• Measured data $\mathcal{M}(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ with entries

$$\mathcal{M}^{rs}(t) = \int_{\Omega} d\mathbf{x} \, \theta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_r) p^s(t, \mathbf{x}), \quad r, s = 1, \dots, m$$

- Velocity estimation problem: given $\mathcal{M}(t)$, estimate quantitatively acoustic velocity $c(\mathbf{x})$
- Remark: source/receiver collocation condition can be relaxed via data interpolation (numerical results available)



Symmetrized forward model

 Symmetrize the forward model, move source to initial condition (Duhamel-like argument), discretize in x on an N node grid

$$egin{aligned} \partial_t^2 \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}, \quad t > 0, \ \mathbf{u}(0) &= \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times m}, \ \partial_t \mathbf{u}(0) &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

solved by

$$\mathbf{u}(t) = \cos\left(t\sqrt{\mathbf{A}}\right)\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{N imes m}$$

- **A** is discretization of $-c(\mathbf{x})\Delta c(\mathbf{x})$
- Source/receiver matrix **b** depends on f, θ , c near \mathbf{x}_s
- Data becomes

$$\mathbf{D}(t) = \mathbf{b}^T \cos\left(t\sqrt{\mathbf{A}}\right) \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m},$$

related to $\mathcal{M}(t)$ via

$$D^{rs}(t) = rac{\mathcal{M}^{rs}(t) + \mathcal{M}^{rs}(-t)}{c(\mathbf{x}_r)c(\mathbf{x}_s)}, \quad t > 0$$



Projection based ROM

- Data is sampled discretely $\mathbf{D}_k = \mathbf{D}(k\tau), k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n-2$
- Define wavefield **snapshots** sampled at the same instants

$$\mathbf{u}_k = \mathbf{u}(k au) = \cos\left(k au\sqrt{\mathbf{A}}\right)\mathbf{b}$$

Obtain ROM of A by projecting onto

$$\mathcal{K}_n = \mathsf{colspan}(\mathbf{U}), \quad \mathbf{U} = [\mathbf{u}_0, \mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{n-1}] \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times mn}$$

• If columns of $V \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times mn}$ form **orthonormal basis** for \mathcal{K}_n , then

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{mn \times mn}, \quad \widetilde{\mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{mn \times m}$$

 Difficulty: U and V contain wavefields in the whole domain, hence they are unknown!



Data-driven ROM: mass matrix

• Define mn × mn mass matrix

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U}$$

Use trigonometric identity

$$\cos \alpha \cos \beta = \frac{1}{2} (\cos(\alpha + \beta) + \cos(\alpha - \beta))$$

to compute mass matrix **blocks** (using $\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}$)

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{M}_{ij} &= \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_j \\ &= \mathbf{b}^T \cos \left(i \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) \cos \left(j \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) \mathbf{b} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{b}^T \left[\cos \left((i+j) \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) + \cos \left(|i-j| \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) \right] \mathbf{b} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{D}_{i+j} + \mathbf{D}_{|i-j|} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}, \end{split}$$

for i, j = 0, 1, ..., n - 1, from data!



Data-driven ROM: stiffness matrix

Similarly to M, define mn x mn stiffness matrix

$$S = U^T A U$$

- To compute **S** we need to know $\ddot{\mathbf{D}}_k = -\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{A} \cos(k\tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}})\mathbf{b}$ that can be obtained from $\mathbf{D}(t)$ via **Fourier** domain **differentiation**
- Given second derivative data $\ddot{\mathbf{D}}_k$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, 2n 2$, compute

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{S}_{ij} &= \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}_j = \\ &= \mathbf{b}^T \cos \left(i \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) \mathbf{A} \cos \left(j \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) \mathbf{b} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{b}^T \left[\mathbf{A} \cos \left((i+j) \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) + \mathbf{A} \cos \left(|i-j| \tau \sqrt{\mathbf{A}} \right) \right] \mathbf{b} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\ddot{\mathbf{D}}_{i+j} + \ddot{\mathbf{D}}_{|i-j|} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}, \end{split}$$

for $i, j = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$, again from data!



Data-driven ROM: block Cholesky factorization

 Suppose U is orthogonalized by a block QR (block Gram-Schmidt) process

$$\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{VR}$$
, equivalently, $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{UR}^{-1}$,

where **R** is an upper-block-triangular **block Cholesky** factor of the mass matrix $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U}$ known from the data

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R}$$

Projection ROM is given by

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{R}^{-T} \left(\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{U} \right) \mathbf{R}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-T} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{R}^{-1},$$

where the **stiffness matrix S** = $\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{U}$ is also known from the data



Conventional FWI vs ROM inversion

 Conventional full waveform inversion (FWI): nonlinear least squares

$$\underset{c(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{C}}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{k=0}^{2n-2} \| \mathbf{D}_k(c(\mathbf{x})) - \mathbf{D}_k^{\text{meas}} \|_F^2, \tag{1}$$

where $\mathbf{D}_k(c(\mathbf{x}))$ is the forward map and $\mathbf{D}_k^{\mathrm{meas}}$ is measured data

- Objective of (1) is notoriously non-convex, optimization easily gets stuck in abundant local minima, especially when lacking low-frequency data (cycle skipping)
- Replace (1) with

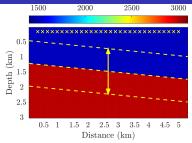
$$\underset{c(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{C}}{\operatorname{minimize}} \left\| \widetilde{\mathbf{A}}(c(\mathbf{x})) - \widetilde{\mathbf{A}}^{\operatorname{meas}} \right\|_{F}^{2}, \tag{2}$$

where $\widetilde{\mathbf{A}}^{\text{meas}}$ is computed from $\mathbf{D}_k^{\text{meas}}$, $\ddot{\mathbf{D}}_k^{\text{meas}}$, $k=0,1,\ldots,2n-2$

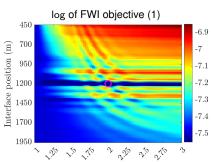
• Why objective (2) is better than (1)?

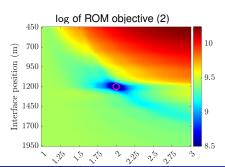


Objective topography: FWI vs ROM inversion



- Objective topography for a single interface model (left) with two parameters: interface position and velocity contrast
- Non-convexity of FWI objective (1): cycle-skipping results in horizontal stripes, also local minima
- ROM objective (2) has a global minimum at the true parameter values





Numerical experiments

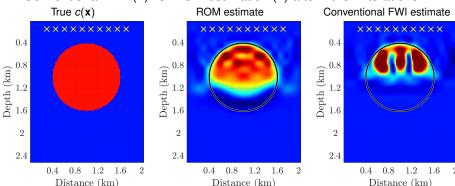
Band-limited source wavelet

$$f(t) = \frac{\cos(\omega_0 t)}{\sqrt{2\pi}B_{\omega}}e^{-\frac{(B_{\omega}t)^2}{2}},$$

with central frequency $\omega_0=2\pi(6Hz)$ and bandwidth $B_\omega=2\pi(4Hz)$

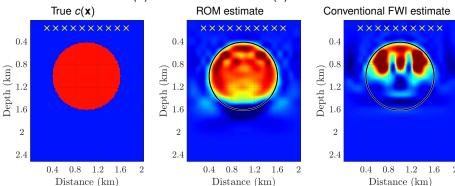
- ROM based velocity estimation is solved via Gauss-Newton iteration regularized with adaptive Tikhonov regularization
- Construction of ROM A is causal, optimization can be performed in a layer-peeling manner
- Two numerical examples:
 - "Camembert" model with reflection data
 - Section of the Marmousi model
- Marmousi velocity estimation is for noisy data (1% noise) using regularized ROM construction

Conventional FWI (1) vs. ROM estimation (2) after 10 GN iterations



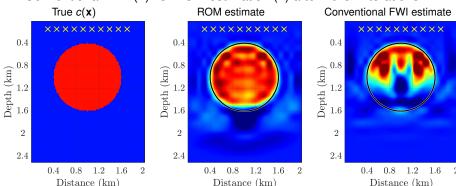
- Camembert model with reflection data
- Circular inclusion ($c(\mathbf{x}) = 4000$ m/s) of radius 600m in a homogeneous background ($c(\mathbf{x}) = 3000$ m/s), data collected at m = 10 sensors
- Very challenging for FWI, difficult to fill in the inclusion

Conventional FWI (1) vs. ROM estimation (2) after 20 GN iterations



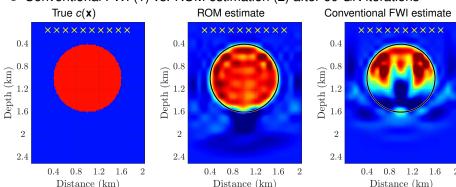
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- Circular inclusion ($c(\mathbf{x}) = 4000 \text{m/s}$) of radius 600m in a homogeneous background ($c(\mathbf{x}) = 3000 \text{m/s}$), data collected at m = 10 sensors
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Conventional FWI (1) vs. ROM estimation (2) after 40 GN iterations



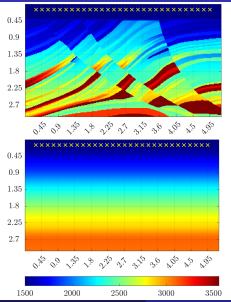
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Conventional FWI (1) vs. ROM estimation (2) after 60 GN iterations



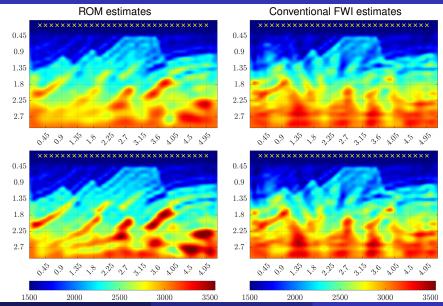
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Marmousi model



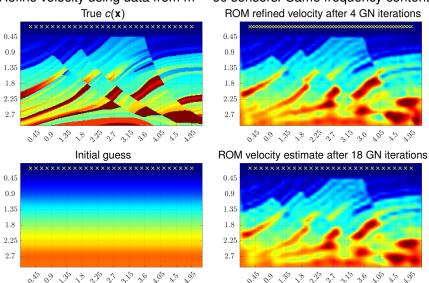
- **Top:** section of Marmousi model 5.25km × 3km
- Bottom: initial guess is a 1D gradient in depth
- Data collected at m = 30 sensors
- Perform 18 regularized Gauss-Newton iterations
- Compare to conventional FWI: it gets stuck in a low quality solution, likely not enough low-frequency information

Marmousi model: FWI vs. ROM iterations 12 & 18



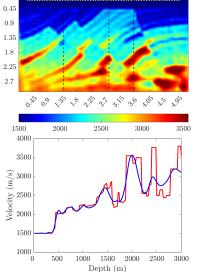
Marmousi model: velocity refinement

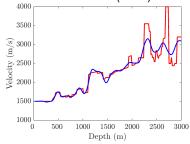
Refine velocity using data from m = 60 sensors. Same frequency content!

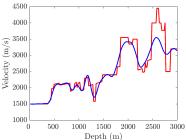


Marmousi model: vertical velocity slices

True velocity (red) and the best ROM estimate (blue)







Conclusions and future work

- We introduced ROM framework for acoustic velocity estimation
- Time domain formulation is essential, linear algebraic analogues of causality: Gram-Schmidt, Cholesky
- Separate velocity estimation problem into two steps:
 - Construct wave equation operator ROM from data
 - Use ROM misfit as optimization objective
- Much better behaved than conventional FWI least squares data misfit even for band-limited sources: ROM misfit optimization objective is very close to convex
- Robust version exists for noisy and/or incomplete data, requires non-trivial regularization of ROM construction process

Future work:

Extend to vectorial problems, e.g., electromagnetics, elasticity

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