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Migration preconditioning with Curvelets



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Overview

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Related Works

- Candes (2002), Edge preserving image reconstruction using Curvelet transform.
- Candes (2003), Curvelet and Fourier Integral Operators.
- Rickett (2003), Illumination-based migration
- Trad (2003), Sparse Radon Transform
- Claerbout (1994), Spectral Preconditioning

Problem Formulation

The linear system of equation needs to be solved is:

d = Km + n

- Conventionally there are two approachs for solving above equation:
- 1) Iterative solver (GMRES, PCG,...)
- 2) Approximating the normal operator:

 $\hat{m} = (approx.(K^*K))^{-1}K^*d$

Inversion

• A conventional form of inversion is: $\hat{m}: \min_{m} \frac{1}{2} \|d - Km\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda J(m)$

This can be solved using following iterative solver:

$$\delta m = (K^* K + A)^{-1} (K^* d + B)$$

Where:

$$A = \nabla^2 \lambda J(m)$$
 and $B = \nabla \lambda J(m)$

Basic Questions

- How can we improve the structure of K?
- Which type of norm is better to use?
- How can we incorporate the noise information in solution as a typical inverse problem?
- Which solver is better to be used and how can we guarantee its convergence?

Preconditioning using Curvelet Transform

We precondition migration and normal operator as:

 $K^* \Rightarrow \tilde{K}^* = CK^*C^* \qquad \psi = K^*K \Rightarrow \tilde{\psi} = CK^*KC^*$

- The sparsity of both migration and normal operator increase after preconditioning.
- For preconditioned operator the singular values shifted away from zero and have tendency to concentrate in a point in spite of operator itself.
- The convergence rate for preconditioned normal operator faster than normal operator itself.



Preconditioned System

We map the original system of equations to preconditioned as:

 $CK^*d = CK^*KC^*Cm + CK^*n$

 $\tilde{u}=\tilde{\psi}\tilde{m}+\tilde{n}$

Maximum Likelihood Solution:

Or:

 $\tilde{\psi}\tilde{m}_{ML}=\tilde{u}$

- In ML solution priori knowledge about the model is ignored
- We are looking for a solution which contains priori information about model

First Guess!

Hard-Thresholding of migrated noisy data in Curvelet domain:

 $\hat{\tilde{u}} = \theta_T(\tilde{u}) = \theta_T(CK^*d)$

Where: $T = \lambda \Gamma$ and $\Gamma = \sqrt{diag(\tilde{\psi})}$

- Curvelet domain Hard-Thresholding is a minimax denoising approach
- This process keeps only the events which are lying on the curves as a priori information

Constrained Optimization

Optimization Problem:

 \hat{m} : min J(m) s.t. $\left|\tilde{\psi}\tilde{m} - \hat{\hat{u}}\right|_{\mu} \le e_{\mu}$ • Or approximately:

 \hat{m} : min J(m) s.t. $\left| diag(\tilde{\psi})\tilde{m} - \hat{\tilde{u}} \right|_{\mu} \le e_{\mu}$ and tolerance defined by:

$$e_{\mu} = \begin{cases} \Gamma_{\mu} & \tilde{u}_{\mu} \geq \lambda \Gamma_{\mu} \\ \lambda \Gamma_{\mu} & \tilde{u}_{\mu} \leq \lambda \Gamma_{\mu} \end{cases}$$

with ^{e_µ} threshold and noise-dependent tolerance on Curvelet coefficients

• with λ define the control parameter



Solution of Constrained Optimization

- An augmented Lagrangian method is implemented to solve optimization problem
- L1 norm is employed as J(m)
- For each subproblem a Steepest Decent method is employed
- Initial value for model is the solution of all-constraints-zero, which is the minimax denoising solution

Algorithm

k = 0 $m_0, \Lambda_0^{\pm}, \mu_0$ % Initial Values % Sub Optimum Loop $g_k = \nabla_m \ell_A(m_k, \Lambda_k^{\pm}; \mu_k)$ % Gradient $\tau_k = \arg\left[\min_{\tau>0} \ell_A(m_k - \tau g_k, \Lambda_k^{\pm}; \mu_k)\right]$ % Line Search $m_{k+1} = m_k - \tau_k g_k$ % Update m % Update Λ and μ

Setting the Initial Values

- Since the number of iteration is limited, setting the initial values which are near to final solution is very important
- The initial value for model is all-constraintszero solution in our optimization problem: $\tilde{\psi}\tilde{m}_0 = \hat{\tilde{u}}$
- The initial value for Lagrange-multipliers can be in this form:

 $\Lambda_0^{\pm} = \pm \tilde{\psi} C \nabla_m J(m_0)$

In approximate form these value can be set as: $diag(\tilde{\psi})\tilde{m}_0 = \hat{\tilde{u}}$ $\Lambda_0^{\pm} = \pm diag(\tilde{\psi})C\nabla_m J(m_0)$

Noisy Image



LSQR Migration



Threshold Denoised



Thresholded and Corrected Denoised



Optimized Denoised





Optimized Plus Spike Removing Denoised

Marmoussi Noise Free Model



Migrated Noisy Image



Thresholded Denoised



Thresholded and Corrected Denoised



Optimized Denoised





Control Parameter: $\lambda = 1.5$

Control Parameter: λ = 3



Conclusion

- Preconditioning using Curvelet Transform introduced and it shows enhancement in the characteristics of migration and normal operators.
- A new constrained optimization is constructed by imposing sparsity on the model subject to bounded constraints defined by noise level
- An augmented-Lagrangian method to solve the optimization problem is implemented
- Results show Significant improvement rather than Least Square migration