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# Groundroll prediction by interferometry & separation by curvelet-domain filtering

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## **Motivation**

- Improve groundroll separation
  - preserve reflection, increase groundroll separation
- Develop data-driven workflow for groundroll separation
  - using data itself as prediction operator for groundroll
- Adapt tools for primary-multiple separation to reflectiongroundroll separation



# Strategy

• Use inteferometry to predict groundroll

Xue & Schuster '07, Halliday et al '07, Vasconcelos & Snieder '08

 Adaptively match the prediction by Fourier and Curvelet domain matching technique

Verschuur '97, Herrmann '08

 Separate by sparsity promotion and Bayesian separation algorithm

Wang, Saab, Yilmaz & Herrmann '08



## Interferometry

$$\mathbf{G}^{*}(x_{B}, x_{A}, \omega) + \mathbf{G}(x_{B}, x_{A}, \omega)$$

$$\approx \frac{2}{\rho c} \oint_{\partial V} \mathbf{G}(x_{A}, x, \omega) \mathbf{G}^{*}(x_{B}, x, \omega) d^{2}x$$
Wapenaar '04





#### **Interferometry:** a simple example





#### Interferometry: a simple example





#### **Interferometry:** a simple example





## Interferometry





## Interferometry





#### Interferometry of seismic data

• Sources restricted to surface





#### Interferometry of seismic data

• Sources contributing to surface waves





#### Interferometry of seismic data

• Sources contributing to surface waves and reflections





- Elastic finite difference modeling: P wave velocity profile:
  - 250 active sources locate on surface







• Sources contributing to surface waves





• Sources contributing to surface waves and reflections





### **Prediction of groundroll**

Cross-correlation of 3D data cube equals to matrix multiple in frequency domain



#### Berkhout '97



## **Prediction of groundroll**



**Frequency Slice** 

#### $\mathbf{RPRP}^*$

 ${f P}\,$  frequency slice of data

 ${f R}$  restriction matrix muting diagonal receivers





## **Problems with the prediction**

- Unknown source wavelet
  - ➡ Global prediction error in interferometry data
- Conditions to produce exact Green's function not met
  - finite aperture
  - attenuating media
  - usually only vertical sources available, etc.
  - ➡ Prediction error depends on position and dip etc,
- Requires adaptive matching, similar to problems in SRME method (surface related multiples elimination)



## Workflow



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## Adaptive matching methods

- Transform-domain matched-filtering forms the basis of
  - *adaptive* subtraction during surface-related multiple elimination [Verschuur '97]
  - *idem* during surface-wave removal with interferometry [Vasconcelos '08, Wapenaar '08]
- Fourier-based matching
  - accounts for amplitude-spectra mismatches & global kinematic errors
  - fails for errors that vary spatially & as function of the local dip
- Spatial & windowed Fourier matching
  - run risk of over fitting (loss of primary energy) [Verschuur '97]
- *Curvelet-domain* matching in phase space
  - corrects for *amplitude* errors that vary *smoothly* as a function of position & dip
  - successful applications in multiple elimination [Herrmann '08]

#### **2D discrete curvelets**



Localized in frequency domain, multi-direction, multi-scale

E. J. Candes, et al '05

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## Our two step matching method

• Step 1: global Fourier matching

$$\mathbf{\hat{f}} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{\hat{g}}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{\hat{d}} - \mathbf{\hat{g}}\mathbf{\hat{m}}_{\text{predicted}}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \|\mathbf{L}_{\mathcal{F}}\mathbf{\hat{g}}\|_{2}^{2}$$

-  $L_{\mathcal{F}}$  Fourier-space sharpening operator that promotes smoothness in Fourier domain, which means short in time

$$\tilde{\mathbf{m}}_{\mathrm{matched}} = \mathcal{F}\mathbf{\hat{f}}\mathbf{\hat{m}}$$

• Step 2: Curvelet matching

$$\tilde{\mathbf{b}} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{b}>0} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{C}^T \operatorname{diag} \left(\mathbf{C}\mathbf{m}^0\right) \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 + \gamma \|\mathbf{L}_{\mathcal{C}}\mathbf{b}\|_2^2$$

-  $L_{\mathcal{C}}$  curvelet-domain sharpening operator that promotes smoothness

 $\mathbf{m}^0 = \mathbf{\tilde{m}}_{\text{matched}}$ 

Herrmann '08



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#### **Fourier matched trace**



Comparison of reflection at offset 0.4km

#### **Curvelet matched trace**



Comparison of reflection at offset 0.4km

#### **Curvelet-based Bayesian Separation**

Instead of minus directly, solve the sparsity-promoting program:

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1, \, \mathbf{x}_2) = \lambda_1 \|\mathbf{x}_1\|_{1, \mathbf{w}_1} + \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{x}_2\|_{1, \mathbf{w}_2} + \|\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{b}_2\|_2^2 + \eta \|\mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{x}_1 + \mathbf{x}_2) - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$$

- $\eta$  Prediction confidence parameter
- $\lambda_1$  Expected reflector sparsity
- $\lambda_2$  Expected groundroll sparsity

Can be solved by iterative soft thresholding.

Wang, Saab, Yilmaz & Herrmann '08

Yarham, C., and F. J. Herrmann, '08







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## Workflow



## **Conclusions & future work**

- Correlation interferometry can provide data-driven groundroll predictions
- Significant improvements in separation can be made by exploiting curvelet-domain adaptation and sparsity
- Similar workflow with SRME

- Real data example
- Deconvolution interferometry prediction



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## True groundroll and interferometry prediction



Prediction of groundroll at offset 0.4km

