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Nonuniform Fast Discrete Curvelet Transform

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Motivation

- improve processing of non-uniformly sampled seismic data
 - binning
 - interpolation
 - multiple prediction & removal





Approach

- look at seismic data in a geometrically correct way
 - high dimensional
 - typically 5D i.e. time × source location × receiver location
 - typically non-uniformly sampling only along spatial axes
 - very strong geometrical structure (i.e. wavefronts)

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Agenda

- Nonuniform Fast Fourier Transform (NFFT)
 - successful applications to interpolation by A. Duijndam, M. Sacchi, M. Schonewille, and P. Zwartjes among others
 - Fourier not best suited for seismic data
- Fast Discrete Curvelet Transform (FDCT)
 - successful applications to interpolation by G. Hennenfent, and F. Herrmann
 - assumes regular sampling
- Nonuniform FDCT (NFDCT)
 - NFDCT 1.0
 - NFDCT 2.0

Direct & adjoint NDFT

- direct NDFT
 - given the Fourier coefficients f_k

$$f_j = f(x_j) := \sum_k \hat{f}_k e^{-2\pi i k x_j}$$
$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{f}}$$



adjoint NDFT

– given the value of f at the non equispaced points x_j

$$\hat{f}_k = \sum_j f_j e^{2\pi i k x_j}$$
$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{f}$$



Inverse NDFT

• equispaced sampling points

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{H} = \mathbf{A}^{H}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$$

non-uniformly sampled points

– given the value of \hat{f} at the non equispaced points x_j , find \hat{f}_k such that

$$\mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{f}} pprox \mathbf{f}$$

- standard method: Moore-Penrose pseudo-inverse \mathbf{A}^{\dagger}
 - over-determined: weighted approximation problem (compensate for sampling clusters)

$$\|\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|_{\mathbf{W}} = \sqrt{\sum_{j} w_j |f_j - f(x_j)|^2}$$

- under-determined: damped minimization problem (favour smooth solution)

$$\min \|\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|_{\hat{\mathbf{W}}^{-1}} = \sqrt{\sum_{k} \hat{w}^{-1} |\hat{f}_{k}|^{2}} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{f}$$

Inverse NDFT by *I*¹ minimization

• assume f has a sparse Fourier representation...



key facts:

- S = 6
- ~ 25 observations required to perfectly recover
- more than 1:3 underdetermined



Curvelets



Wavefronts & sampling

- regular sampling
 - continuity along wavefronts

- irregular sampling
 - continuity along wavefronts

broken continuity along wavefronts



NFDCT 1.0

• combination of FDCT & NFFT

- handle irregular sampling (over-determined problem)
- explore continuity along wavefronts
- construction



NFDCT 1.0 - performance

- FDCT on regular data (reference)
 - curvelets explore continuity along wavefronts
 - best compression
- FDCT on irregular data
 - continuity along wavefronts broken
 - loss in performance
- NFDCT on irregular data
 - continuity along wavefronts restored
 - performance on irregular data to the same level as FDCT on regular data



NFDCT 1.0 - binning & denoising

 $\tilde{\mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{C}^H S_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{C}_n d)$

Signal-to-noise ratio (dB)
-1.96
9.04
13.35
8



NFDCT 2.0

• combination of FDCT & NFFT

- handle irregular sampling
- explore continuity along wavefronts
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CnRSI using NFDCT 2.0

• find the **sparsest set of curvelet coefficients** that explains the irregular sampled data

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}\|_1 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\mathbf{C}_n\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \le \epsilon$$

construct the interpolated result from its curvelet representation

 $\tilde{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{C}^H \tilde{\mathbf{x}}$

Conclusions

- NFDCT is the combination of NFFT & FDCT
 - handle irregular sampling
 - explore continuity along wavefronts
- NFDCT has comparable performance on irregular data to FDCT on regular data
- NFDCT 2.0 opens the path to CnRSI

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