

Full waveform inversion

where are we on this long journey to make speak each piece of seismic trace?

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initial model *m*0 observations d_{obs} initial

model m₀











































- data type
- cycle-skipping
- multi-parameters sensitivity and non-linearity
- FWI with reflections
- computational cost
- high frequency FWI





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- In the 90's: reinvestigation of FWI in the 90's by Pratt's group, for cross-well data (in 2D frequency-domain) → success thanks to transmissions (and cheaper HPC cost)





Figure 4 Evolution of a depth slice at 1050 m below sea level over the course of FWI: (a) the 2007 starting model; (b) after using only the lowest frequency of 3.5 Hz; and (c) after six frequencies from 3.5 to 7.0 Hz were used.

Sirgue et al. (2010)

• In the 2000's: first 2D and 3D applications from long-offset surface data (reflections and transmission)





Prieux et al. (2011)

Reflection and diving waves: requirement of anisotropy





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all waves-types needs to be fit: anisotropy is compulsary to account all propagation directions

Cycle-skipping





Bunks et al. (1995)

Cycle-skipping: hierachical approaches











but also Tape et al. (2009); Fichtner et al. (2008) in seismology, or dynamic-time warping (Ma and Hale, 2013)

More recently in the industry: Adjustive FWI (Schlumberger), Time Lag FWI (CGG), Travel Time FWI (TGS)







Adaptive Waveform Inversion from Warner and Guasch (2016)

Graph-Space Optimal Transport from Métivier et al. (2018, 2019)





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- what about very complex targets? surface-waves? multiples?







3 parameters Hessian matrix from Métivier et al. (2015)





Kamath et al. (2021)





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- high-frequency should also more info on multiple parameters down to the reservoir scale.











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Imaged Vp

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- imaging condition challenges for the correlation of both fields(Symes, 2007; Anderson et al., 2012; Yang et al., 2016; Komatitsch et al., 2016; Robertsson et al., 2021, among others)











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- is homogeneization theory required when reconstructing velocity model on several octaves?



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- Probing the Hessian... with it cost







Thurin et al. (2019)



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Zhou & Lumley (2021)

Other challenging perspectives for FWI



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Nouibat et al (in prep)



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