Passive sensor imaging with cross correlations

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Part I: cross correlation for travel time estimation

Use of ambient noise in order to estimate the travel time between two sensors x_1 and x_2 .

- Ambient noise sources emit stationary random signals.
- Record the noisy signals $u(t, \mathbf{x}_1)$ and $u(t, \mathbf{x}_2)$ at \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 .
- Compute the empirical cross correlation:

$$C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T u(t, \mathbf{x}_1) u(t + \tau, \mathbf{x}_2) dt$$

• $C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ is related to the Green's function from \mathbf{x}_1 to \mathbf{x}_2 !

• The singular component of the Green's function from \mathbf{x}_1 to \mathbf{x}_2 gives the travel time from \mathbf{x}_1 to \mathbf{x}_2 .



Estimations of travel times between pairs of sensors

Surface (Rayleigh) waves [from Larose et al, Geophysics 71, 2006, SI11-SI21]

Background velocity estimation from travel time estimations



[from Larose et al, Geophysics 71, 2006, SI11-SI21]

Wave equation

$$\frac{1}{c^2(\mathbf{x})}\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} - \Delta_{\mathbf{x}}u = n(t, \mathbf{x})$$

Sources $n(t, \mathbf{x})$: Gaussian process, with mean zero, stationary in time, with covariance function

$$\langle n(t_1,\mathbf{y}_1)n(t_2,\mathbf{y}_2)\rangle = F^{\varepsilon}(t_2-t_1)\Gamma(\mathbf{y}_1,\mathbf{y}_2)$$

Assume

$$\Gamma(\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2) = \boldsymbol{\theta}(\mathbf{y}_1) \delta(\mathbf{y}_1 - \mathbf{y}_2)$$
$$F^{\varepsilon}(t_2 - t_1) = F\left(\frac{t_2 - t_1}{\varepsilon}\right)$$

 ϵ =ratio of the decoherence time of the noise sources over the typical travel times between sensors.

Solution *u*:

$$u(t,\mathbf{x}) = \int \int n(s,\mathbf{y}) G(t-s,\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) ds d\mathbf{y}$$

Green's function:

$$\frac{1}{c^2(\mathbf{x})}\frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial t^2} - \Delta_{\mathbf{x}}G = \delta(t)\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

starting from $G(0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \partial_t G(0, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 0$.

Cross correlation

Empirical cross correlation:

$$C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T u(t, \mathbf{x}_1) u(t + \tau, \mathbf{x}_2) dt$$

1. The expectation of C_T (with respect to the distribution of the sources) is independent of the integration time *T*:

$$\langle C_T(\mathbf{\tau},\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2)\rangle = C^{(1)}(\mathbf{\tau},\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2)$$

where $C^{(1)}$ is given by

$$C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \int d\mathbf{y} \theta(\mathbf{y}) \int d\omega \overline{\hat{G}}(\omega, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) \widehat{G}(\omega, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}) \widehat{F}^{\varepsilon}(\omega) e^{-i\omega\tau}$$

2. The empirical cross correlation is a self-averaging quantity:

$$C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \xrightarrow{T \to \infty} C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

in probability. More precisely, the fluctuations of C_T around its expectation $C^{(1)}$ are of order $T^{-1/2}$.

Source distribution over all space, in a homogeneous medium



$$\frac{1}{c_0^2} \left(\frac{1}{T_a} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^2 u - \Delta_{\mathbf{x}} u = n(t, \mathbf{x}), \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$
$$n(t_1, \mathbf{y}_1) n(t_2, \mathbf{y}_2) \rangle = F^{\varepsilon} \left(t_2 - t_1 \right) \delta(\mathbf{y}_2 - \mathbf{y}_1), \quad \mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

We have (up to a multiplicative constant):

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = e^{-\frac{|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|}{c_0 T_a}} \left[F^{\varepsilon} * G(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) - F^{\varepsilon} * G(-\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \right]$$

Sources distributed on a closed surface



$$C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \int d\omega \int_{\partial B(\mathbf{0}, L)} dS(\mathbf{y}) \overline{\hat{G}}(\omega, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) \hat{G}(\omega, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}) \hat{F}^{\varepsilon}(\omega) e^{-i\omega\tau}$$

Helmholtz-Kirchhoff theorem: If the medium is homogeneous (velocity c_e) outside $B(\mathbf{0}, D)$, then $\forall \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in B(\mathbf{0}, D)$ we have for $L \gg D$:

$$\hat{G}(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) - \overline{\hat{G}}(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \frac{2i\boldsymbol{\omega}}{c_e} \int_{\partial B(\mathbf{0}, L)} dS(\mathbf{y}) \overline{\hat{G}}(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) \hat{G}(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y})$$

If 1) the medium is homogeneous outside B(0,D),

2) the sources are distributed uniformly on the sphere $\partial B(\mathbf{0}, L)$, with $L \gg D$. Then for any $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in B(\mathbf{0}, D)$ we have (up to a multiplicative constant):

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = F^{\varepsilon} * G(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) - F^{\varepsilon} * G(-\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

Summary: if the fields at the sensors are incoherent superpositions of waves coming from all directions, then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) \simeq F^{\varepsilon} * G(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) - F^{\varepsilon} * G(-\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

Keyword: "Directional diversity"

What about situations such as



Simple geometry in a smoothly varying background

Simple geometry hypothesis: $c(\mathbf{x})$ is smooth and there is a unique ray between any pair of points (in the region of interest).

We use the WKB (geometric optics) approximation:

$$\hat{G}\left(\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}\right) \sim a(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) e^{i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}\tau(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

valid when $\varepsilon \ll 1$, where the travel time is

$$\tau(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) = \inf\left\{T \text{ s.t. } \exists (\mathbf{X}_t)_{t \in [0,T]} \in \mathcal{C}^1, \mathbf{X}_0 = \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{X}_T = \mathbf{y}, \left|\frac{d\mathbf{X}_t}{dt}\right| = c(\mathbf{X}_t)\right\}$$

Localized sources: stationary phase analysis

$$\begin{split} F^{\varepsilon}(t) &= F(\frac{t}{\varepsilon}) \Longrightarrow \hat{F}^{\varepsilon}(\omega) = \varepsilon \hat{F}(\varepsilon \omega). \\ C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\mathbf{y} \theta(\mathbf{y}) \int d\omega \overline{\hat{G}}(\omega, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) \hat{G}(\omega, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}) e^{-i\omega\tau} \varepsilon \hat{F}(\varepsilon \omega) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\mathbf{y} \theta(\mathbf{y}) \int d\omega \overline{\hat{G}}\left(\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}\right) \hat{G}\left(\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}\right) e^{-i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}\tau} \hat{F}(\omega) \end{split}$$

WKB approximation for \hat{G} :

$$C^{(1)}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\mathbf{y} \theta(\mathbf{y}) \int d\omega \hat{F}(\omega) \overline{a}(\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{y}) a(\mathbf{x}_2,\mathbf{y}) e^{i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{y})}$$

with the rapid phase

$$\omega \mathcal{T} \left(\mathbf{y} \right) = \omega [\tau(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) - \tau]$$

Use of the stationary phase theorem. The dominant contribution comes from the stationary points (ω, y) satisfying:

$$\partial_{\omega} \Big(\omega \mathcal{T} \left(\mathbf{y} \right) \Big) = 0, \quad \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} \Big(\omega \mathcal{T} \left(\mathbf{y} \right) \Big) = \mathbf{0}$$

 \hookrightarrow two conditions:

$$\tau(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) = \tau, \quad \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} \tau(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_2) = \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} \tau(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_1)$$

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 \implies **x**₁ and **x**₂ are on the same ray issuing from **y** and $\tau = \pm \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$.



Also: **y** should be in the support of θ





Singular component at $\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$



Conclusion: The cross correlation $C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ has singular components iff the ray joining \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 reaches into the source region (i.e. the support of θ). Then there are one or two singular components at $\tau = \pm \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$.

More exactly:

the rays $\mathbf{y} \to \mathbf{x}_1 \to \mathbf{x}_2$ contribute to the singular component at $\tau = \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$, the rays $\mathbf{y} \to \mathbf{x}_2 \to \mathbf{x}_1$ contribute to the singular component at $\tau = -\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$.





Here, the cross correlation method does not allow for travel time estimation, because there is not enough "directional diversity".

Idea: exploit the scattering properties of the medium.

- The scattered waves have more directional diversity than the direct waves from the noise sources.

- The contributions of the scattered waves are in the tails of the cross correlations.
- By cross correlating the tails of the cross correlations, it is possible to exploit scattered waves and their enhanced directional diversity (first suggested by M. Campillo).

Part II: Fourth-order cross correlations for travel time estimation



Use of auxiliary sensors $\mathbf{x}_{a,j}$, j = 1, ..., N. Algorithm:

1) compute the cross correlations $C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_1)$ and $C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_2)$, for each *j*:

$$C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_1) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T u(t, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}) u(t+\tau, \mathbf{x}_1) dt, \quad C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_2) = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T u(t, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}) u(t+\tau, \mathbf{x}_2) dt$$

2) consider the tails of $C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_1)$ and $C_T(\tau, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_2)$:

$$C_{T,\text{coda}}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{a,j},\mathbf{x}_l) = C_T(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{a,j},\mathbf{x}_l) \left[\mathbf{1}_{(-\infty,-T_{\text{coda}})}(\tau) + \mathbf{1}_{(T_{\text{coda}},\infty)}(\tau) \right]$$

3) compute the cross correlations between the tails and sum over *j*:

$$C_{T',T}^{(3)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{-T'}^{T'} C_{T,\text{coda}}(\tau', \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_1) C_{T,\text{coda}}(\tau' + \tau, \mathbf{x}_{a,j}, \mathbf{x}_2) d\tau'$$

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Model for the scattering medium

Medium characterized by a smoothly varying background velocity $c_0(\mathbf{x})$ and a clutter, modeled by a collection of localized scatterers around $(\mathbf{z}_j)_{j \ge 1}$.

Full Green's function:

$$\hat{G}(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \hat{G}_0(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \hat{G}_1(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

with \hat{G}_0 the Green's function of the background medium c_0 :

$$\frac{\omega^2}{c_0^2(\mathbf{x})}\hat{G}_0 + \Delta_{\mathbf{x}}\hat{G}_0 = -\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

and (Born approximation)

$$\hat{G}_1(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \boldsymbol{\omega}^2 \sum_j \hat{G}_0(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}_j) \boldsymbol{\sigma}_j \hat{G}_0(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{z}_j, \mathbf{y})$$

We look for an estimate of c_0 , or an estimate of

$$\tau(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) = \inf\left\{T \text{ s.t. } \exists (\mathbf{X}_t)_{t \in [0,T]} \in \mathcal{C}^1, \mathbf{X}_0 = \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{X}_T = \mathbf{y}, \left|\frac{d\mathbf{X}_t}{dt}\right| = c_0(\mathbf{X}_t)\right\}$$

Simplifications:

1) The distribution of the auxiliary sensors $(\mathbf{x}_{a,j})_{j=1,...,N}$ is dense \rightarrow continuous approximation with the density $\chi_a(\mathbf{x}_a)$.

$$\sum_{j} \Psi(\mathbf{x}_{a,j}) \simeq \int d\mathbf{x}_a \chi_a(\mathbf{x}_a) \Psi(\mathbf{x}_a)$$

for any test function ψ .

- 2) The distribution of the scatterers $(\mathbf{z}_j)_{j\geq 1}$ is dense
- \rightarrow continuous approximation with the density $\chi_s(\mathbf{z}_s)$:

$$\sum_{j} \Psi(\mathbf{z}_{j}) \simeq \int d\mathbf{z}_{s} \chi_{s}(\mathbf{z}_{s}) \Psi(\mathbf{z}_{s})$$

3) Scattering amplitudes $(\sigma_j)_{j\geq 1}$ of the scatterers are independent and identically distributed with $\mathbb{E}[\sigma_j^2] = \sigma^2$.

Stationary phase analysis of the cross correlation $C^{(3)}$

Using the Born approximation for $\hat{G} = \hat{G}_0 + \hat{G}_1$ and the WKB approximation for \hat{G}_0 :

$$C_{1}^{(3)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\sigma^{2}}{2\pi} \int d\mathbf{x}_{a} d\mathbf{y}_{1} d\mathbf{y}_{2} d\mathbf{z}_{s} \chi_{a}(\mathbf{x}_{a}) \theta(\mathbf{y}_{1}) \theta(\mathbf{y}_{2}) \chi_{s}(\mathbf{z}_{s}) \int d\omega \omega^{4} \hat{F}(\omega)^{2} \\ \times a(\mathbf{x}_{a}, \mathbf{y}_{1}) \overline{a}(\mathbf{x}_{1}, \mathbf{z}_{s}) \overline{a}(\mathbf{z}_{s}, \mathbf{y}_{1}) \overline{a}(\mathbf{x}_{a}, \mathbf{y}_{2}) a(\mathbf{x}_{2}, \mathbf{z}_{s}) a(\mathbf{z}_{s}, \mathbf{y}_{2}) e^{i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{x}_{a}, \mathbf{y}_{1}, \mathbf{y}_{2}, \mathbf{z}_{s})}$$

with the rapid phase

$$\omega \mathcal{T} (\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2, \mathbf{z}_s) = \omega [\tau(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{y}_1) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{z}_s) - \tau(\mathbf{z}_s, \mathbf{y}_1) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{y}_2) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{z}_s) + \tau(\mathbf{z}_s, \mathbf{y}_2) - \tau]$$

Stationary points:

$$\left(\partial_{\boldsymbol{\omega}}, \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{a}}, \nabla_{\mathbf{y}_{1}}, \nabla_{\mathbf{y}_{2}}, \nabla_{\mathbf{z}_{s}}\right)\left(\boldsymbol{\omega}\mathcal{T}\left(\mathbf{x}_{a}, \mathbf{y}_{1}, \mathbf{y}_{2}, \mathbf{z}_{s}\right)\right) = \left(0, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}\right)$$

 \hookrightarrow five conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(\mathbf{x}_{a},\mathbf{y}_{1}) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_{1},\mathbf{z}_{s}) - \tau(\mathbf{z}_{s},\mathbf{y}_{1}) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_{a},\mathbf{y}_{2}) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_{2},\mathbf{z}_{s}) + \tau(\mathbf{z}_{s},\mathbf{y}_{2}) &= \tau \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{a}}\tau(\mathbf{x}_{a},\mathbf{y}_{1}) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{x}_{a}}\tau(\mathbf{x}_{a},\mathbf{y}_{2}) \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{y}_{1}}\tau(\mathbf{y}_{1},\mathbf{x}_{a}) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{y}_{1}}\tau(\mathbf{y}_{1},\mathbf{z}_{s}) \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{y}_{2}}\tau(\mathbf{y}_{2},\mathbf{x}_{a}) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{y}_{2}}\tau(\mathbf{y}_{2},\mathbf{z}_{s}) \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{z}_{s}}\tau(\mathbf{z}_{s},\mathbf{y}_{1}) + \nabla_{\mathbf{z}_{s}}\tau(\mathbf{z}_{s},\mathbf{x}_{1}) &= \nabla_{\mathbf{z}_{s}}\tau(\mathbf{z}_{s},\mathbf{y}_{2}) + \nabla_{\mathbf{z}_{s}}\tau(\mathbf{z}_{s},\mathbf{x}_{2}) \end{aligned}$$

There are stationary points:



Conclusion: $C^{(3)}$ has singular components if:

1) there are scatterers \mathbf{z}_s along the ray joining \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2 (but not between \mathbf{x}_1 and \mathbf{x}_2). 2) there are auxiliary sensors \mathbf{x}_a along rays joining sources $\mathbf{y}_1, \mathbf{y}_2$ and scatterers \mathbf{z}_s . These singular components are at $\tau = \pm \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$.

It is not required that the ray joining x_1 and x_2 reaches into the source region !



Here:

It is not possible to extract the travel time $\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ from $C^{(1)}$ It is possible to extract the travel time $\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$ from $C^{(3)}$

Part III: Passive imaging by cross correlation of noisy signals

- Network or array of passive sensors \mathbf{x}_j , j = 1, ..., N
- Ambient noise sources emitting stationary random signals
- Target (small reflector) at \mathbf{z}_r
- Different light configurations



Daylight configuration



Backlight configuration

- Two types of situations:
- Data in the absence (C_0) and in the presence (C) of the reflector
- Data only in the presence of the reflector
- We know the background medium: the travel times between the sensors and points in the region around \mathbf{z}_r are known.

Identification of the singular components of the cross correlations

Using Born and WKB approximations

$$\hat{G}_0\left(\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2\right) \sim a(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) e^{i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)} \hat{G}\left(\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2\right) \sim a(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) e^{i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)} + \omega^2 a(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_r) \sigma_r a(\mathbf{z}_r, \mathbf{x}_2) e^{i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon}[\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{z}_r) + \tau(\mathbf{z}_r, \mathbf{x}_2)]}$$

Differential cross correlation

$$C^{(1)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) - C^{(1)}_0(\tau, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \frac{\sigma_r}{2\pi} \int d\mathbf{y} \theta(\mathbf{y}) \int d\omega \, \omega^2 \hat{F}(\omega) \overline{a}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}) a(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{z}_r) a(\mathbf{z}_r, \mathbf{y}) e^{i\frac{\omega}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{y})} + \dots$$

with the rapid phase

$$\omega \mathcal{T} \left(\mathbf{y} \right) = \omega [\tau(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}_2) - \tau(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}_r) - \tau(\mathbf{z}_r, \mathbf{x}_1) - \tau]$$

The dominant contribution comes from the stationary points (ω, \mathbf{y}) satisfying

$$\partial_{\omega} \Big(\omega \mathcal{T} \left(\mathbf{y} \right) \Big) = 0, \quad \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} \Big(\omega \mathcal{T} \left(\mathbf{y} \right) \Big) = \mathbf{0}$$

which gives the conditions

$$\tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}_2) - \tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{z}_r) - \tau(\mathbf{z}_r,\mathbf{x}_1) = \tau, \quad \nabla_{\mathbf{y}}\tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}_2) = \nabla_{\mathbf{y}}\tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{z}_r)$$

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$$\tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}_2) - \tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{z}_r) - \tau(\mathbf{z}_r,\mathbf{x}_1) = \tau, \quad \nabla_{\mathbf{y}}\tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{x}_2) = \nabla_{\mathbf{y}}\tau(\mathbf{y},\mathbf{z}_r)$$





Conclusion:

1) In a daylight imaging configuration, the singular components of $C^{(1)} - C_0^{(1)}$ are at $\tau = \pm (\tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{z}_r) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{z}_r)).$

2) In a backlight imaging configuration, the singular component of $C^{(1)} - C_0^{(1)}$ is at $\tau = \tau(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{z}_r) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{z}_r)$.

Daylight configuration

• Data in the absence $(C_0(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l), j, l = 1, ..., 5)$ and in the presence $(C(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l), j, l = 1, ..., 5)$ of the reflector



Differential cross correlations:

$$\Delta C(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l) = (C - C_0)(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l)$$

Daylight configuration - migration

Theory: ΔC has singular components at $\tau = \pm [\tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_r) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{z}_r)].$ • Migration of the differential cross correlations $\Delta C = C - C_0$



Kirchhoff Migration (KM) functional (image) for the search point z^S :

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \int d\omega \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})+\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{+}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) + e^{i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})+\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{-}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})$$
$$\Delta C^{-}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) = (C-C_{0})(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})\mathbf{1}_{(-\infty,0)}(\tau), \quad \Delta C^{+}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) = (C-C_{0})(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})\mathbf{1}_{(0,\infty)}(\tau)$$

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Daylight configuration - resolution

KM functional (image):

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) \simeq \int d\boldsymbol{\omega} \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\boldsymbol{\omega}[\boldsymbol{\tau}(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})+\boldsymbol{\tau}(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{\Delta C}(\boldsymbol{\omega},\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})$$

Equivalent to KM for array imaging using an array of active sensors $(\mathbf{x}_j)_{j=1,...,N}$ emitting broadband pulses. The data is then the impulse response matrix $(P(t, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l))_{j,l=1,...,N}$ and the KM functional is

$$I^{\mathrm{KM}}(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \int d\omega \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})+\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{P}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})$$

Range resolution $\simeq c_0/B$, where *B* is the bandwidth.

Cross range resolution (for a linear array) $\simeq \lambda_0 L/a$, where λ_0 is the carrier frequency, *L* is the distance from the array to the reflector, *a* the diameter of the array.

Cross range resolution (for a network) $\simeq c_0/B$ (triangulation).

Daylight configuration - bandwidth 50%

• Migration of the differential cross correlations $\Delta C = C - C_0$



KM functional (image):

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \int d\omega \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j}) + \tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{+}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) + e^{i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j}) + \tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{-}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})$$

Daylight configuration - bandwidth 10%

• Migration of the differential cross correlations $\Delta C = C - C_0$



KM functional (image):

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \int d\omega \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j}) + \tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{+}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) + e^{i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j}) + \tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{-}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})$$

Daylight configuration

• Data *only* in the presence of the reflector: $C(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l), j, l = 1, ..., 5$.



$$C_{\text{coda}}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l) = C(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l) \left[\mathbf{1}_{(-\infty, -\tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l))}(\tau) + \mathbf{1}_{(\tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l), \infty)}(\tau) \right]$$

Daylight configuration - migration

Theory: $C_{\text{coda}}(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l)$ has singular components at $\tau = \pm [\tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_r) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{z}_r)]$. Triangular inequality: $|\tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_r) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{z}_r)| \ge \tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l) \Longrightarrow$ singular components in C_{coda} .

• Migration of the coda cross correlations



KM functional (image):

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \int d\omega \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})+\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{C_{\text{coda}}^{+}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) + e^{i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})+\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})]} \widehat{C_{\text{coda}}^{-}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})$$

$$C_{\text{coda}}^{-}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) = C(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})\mathbf{1}_{(-\infty,-\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}))}(\tau), \quad C_{\text{coda}}^{+}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) = C(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})\mathbf{1}_{(\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}),\infty)}(\tau)$$
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Backlight configuration

• Data in the absence (C_0) and in the presence (C) of the reflector



 $\Delta C(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l) = (C - C_0)(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l)$

Backlight configuration - migration

Theory: $\Delta C(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l)$ has singular components at $\tau = \tau(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{z}_r) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_r)$.

• Migration of the differential cross correlations $\Delta C = C - C_0$



KM functional (image):

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \int d\omega \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{+}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \mathbf{1}_{(0,\infty)}(\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})) + e^{i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})]} \widehat{\Delta C^{-}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \mathbf{1}_{(-\infty,0)}(\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})) \Delta C^{-}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) = (C-C_{0})(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \mathbf{1}_{(-\infty,0)}(\tau), \quad \Delta C^{+}(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) = (C-C_{0})(\tau,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \mathbf{1}_{(0,\infty)}(\tau)$$

Backlightlight configuration - resolution

KM functional

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) \simeq \int d\boldsymbol{\omega} \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\boldsymbol{\omega}[\boldsymbol{\tau}(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\boldsymbol{\tau}(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})]} \widehat{C}(\boldsymbol{\omega},\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l})$$

Same form as the Matched Filter (MF) imaging functional used when \mathbf{z}_r is a source emitting an impulse that is recorded by passive sensors at $(\mathbf{x}_j)_{j=1,...,N}$ and the data is the vector $P(t, \mathbf{x}_j)$. The MF functional is

$$I^{\mathrm{MF}}(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\boldsymbol{\omega} \Big| \sum_{l=1}^{N} e^{-i\boldsymbol{\omega}\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})} \hat{P}(\boldsymbol{\omega},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \Big|^{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\boldsymbol{\omega} \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\boldsymbol{\omega}[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})]} \hat{P}(\boldsymbol{\omega},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \overline{\hat{P}(\boldsymbol{\omega},\mathbf{x}_{j})},$$

Backlight cross correlation imaging with passive sensor arrays provides poor range resolution, as in MF imaging.

Backlight configuration

- Data only in the presence (*C*) of the reflector
- Migration of the full cross correlations



Singular components at $\tau = \tau(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{z}_r) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_r)$. Triangular inequality $|\tau(\mathbf{x}_l, \mathbf{z}_r) - \tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{z}_r)| \leq \tau(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l) \Longrightarrow$ singular components buried in the main (singular and non-sigular) components, the coda cross correlation technique cannot be applied.

Backlight configuration

• Migration of the full cross correlations



KM functional (image):

$$I(\mathbf{z}^{S}) = \int d\omega \sum_{j,l=1}^{N} e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})]} \widehat{C^{+}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \mathbf{1}_{(0,\infty)}(\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j}))$$
$$+ e^{i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j})]} \widehat{C^{-}}(\omega,\mathbf{x}_{j},\mathbf{x}_{l}) \mathbf{1}_{(-\infty,0)}(\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{l})-\tau(\mathbf{z}^{S},\mathbf{x}_{j}))$$

Perspectives:

• Use the sensor network for travel time estimation and background velocity estimation (to be used in migration)

• Exploit the scattering properties of the medium and apply Coherent Interferometry (CINT), which amounts to cross correlate the coda cross correlations

CINT

• Key idea in CINT with arrays of sensors in active imaging: migrate cross correlations of the impulse response matrix, rather than the impulse response itself.

• Here: migrate cross correlations of the coda/differential cross correlations $C(\tau, \mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{x}_l)$, which means that we use fourth-order cross correlations.

• It is important to compute these fourth-order cross correlations *locally* in time and space, and not over the whole time interval and the whole set of pairs of sensors.

CINT 1

Consider the square of the KM functional:

$$\left| I^{\mathrm{KM}}(\mathbf{z}^{S}) \right|^{2} = \sum_{j,j',l,l'=1}^{N} \iint \widehat{C}(\omega, \mathbf{x}_{j}, \mathbf{x}_{l}) \overline{\widehat{C}}(\omega', \mathbf{x}_{j'}, \mathbf{x}_{l'}) \\ \times e^{-i\omega[\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j}, \mathbf{z}^{S}) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_{l}, \mathbf{z}^{S})]} e^{i\omega'[\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j'}, \mathbf{z}^{S}) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_{l'}, \mathbf{z}^{S})]} d\omega d\omega'$$

Decoherence frequency Ω_d : frequency gap beyond which the coda are not correlated. Remark: The reciprocal of the decoherence frequency is the delay spread (duration of the coda).

$$I^{\text{CINT}}(\mathbf{z}^{S}, \Omega_{d}) = \sum_{j, j', l, l'=1}^{N} \iint_{|\boldsymbol{\omega}-\boldsymbol{\omega}'| \leq \Omega_{d}} \hat{C}(\boldsymbol{\omega}, \mathbf{x}_{j}, \mathbf{x}_{l}) \overline{\hat{C}}(\boldsymbol{\omega}', \mathbf{x}_{j'}, \mathbf{x}_{l'}) \\ \times e^{-i\boldsymbol{\omega}[\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j}, \mathbf{z}^{S}) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_{l}, \mathbf{z}^{S})]} e^{i\boldsymbol{\omega}'[\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j'}, \mathbf{z}^{S}) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_{l'}, \mathbf{z}^{S})]} d\boldsymbol{\omega} d\boldsymbol{\omega}'$$

Compare with the square of the KM functional: The CINT functional and the square of the KM functional differ only in that the frequencies $|\omega - \omega'| > \Omega_d$ are eliminated in CINT.

CINT 2

Decoherence length X_d : distance between sensors beyond which the coda that can be recorded at them are not correlated.

$$I^{\text{CINT}}(\mathbf{z}^{S}, \Omega_{d}, X_{d}) = \sum_{\substack{j, j', l, l' = 1 \\ |\mathbf{x}_{j} - \mathbf{x}_{j'}| \le X_{d}, |\mathbf{x}_{l} - \mathbf{x}_{l'}| \le X_{d}}} \iint_{|\mathbf{\omega} - \mathbf{\omega}'| \le \Omega_{d}} d\mathbf{\omega} d\mathbf{\omega}' \hat{C}(\mathbf{\omega}, \mathbf{x}_{j}, \mathbf{x}_{l}) \overline{\hat{C}}(\mathbf{\omega}', \mathbf{x}_{j'}, \mathbf{x}_{l'})$$
$$\times e^{-i\mathbf{\omega}[\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j}, \mathbf{z}^{S}) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_{l}, \mathbf{z}^{S})]} e^{i\mathbf{\omega}'[\tau(\mathbf{x}_{j'}, \mathbf{z}^{S}) + \tau(\mathbf{x}_{l'}, \mathbf{z}^{S})]}$$

• The range resolution of CINT is of the order of c_0/Ω_d and the cross range resolution of the order of $\lambda_0 L/X_d$.

• An adaptive procedure for estimating optimally the unknown parameters Ω_d and X_d is based on minimizing a suitable norm of the image to improve its quality, both in terms of resolution and signal-to-noise ratio.