# Supplementary material for BSM 2024 poster Theory

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# 1 Spaces

The model is composed of one or more physical parameters of interest (for example only  $v_p$ , or  $v_p$ ,  $v_s$ ,  $\rho$ ). Each physical parameter lives in a space  $\mathcal{M}_j$ , which may be a  $\mathbb{R}^N$  or some function space. For this poster we use as example physical parameters that are piece-wise continuous and bounded functions defined on some spatial domains  $\Omega_j$  (in short notation  $PCb[\Omega_j]$ ). We assume that the spaces are Hilbert spaces with some inner product defined on them. For example, in this poster we assume the following inner product:

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_j} = \int_{\Omega_j} fg d\Omega_j$$
 (1)

where  $f, g \in \mathcal{M}_j$ . The norm induced by the inner product is:

$$||f||_{\mathcal{M}_i} = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{M}_i}}.$$
 (2)

When we have multiple physical parameters, each member of some  $\mathcal{M}_j$ , we construct the total model space  $\mathcal{M}$  (also called simply the model space) by a direct sum:

$$\mathcal{M} = \bigoplus_{j} \mathcal{M}_{j} \tag{3}$$

Every member of  $\mathcal{M}$  will therefore be a tuple  $m=(m^1,m^2,...)$ . Such a construction does not impose any assumptions on the links between the various physical parameters  $m^j$ . The inner product and norm on  $\mathcal{M}$  are defined by:

$$\langle m_1, m_2 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \sum_j \left\langle m_1^j, m_2^j \right\rangle_{\mathcal{M}_j}$$
 (4)

$$||m||_{\mathcal{M}} = \sum_{j} ||m^{j}||_{\mathcal{M}_{j}} \tag{5}$$

where  $m^1, m^2 \in \mathcal{M}$ .

The data space  $\mathcal{D}$  and the property space  $\mathcal{P}$  will always be some  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , where N is either the number of data, or the number of property values. We assume

the usual inner product and induced norm on  $\mathbb{R}^N$ :

$$\langle a, b \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^N} = \sum_{i} a_i b_i \tag{6}$$

$$||a||_{\mathbb{R}^N} = \sqrt{\sum_i a_i^2} \tag{7}$$

# 2 Mappings

There are two important mappings: the model-data mapping G and the property mapping  $\mathcal{T}$ . They have the general form:

$$d_i = G(m) = \sum_{j} \left\langle K_i^j, m^j \right\rangle_{\mathcal{M}_j} \tag{8}$$

$$p^{(k)} = \mathcal{T}(m) = \sum_{j} \left\langle T^{j,(k)}, m^{j} \right\rangle_{\mathcal{M}_{j}}$$
(9)

where  $K_i^j$  are the sensitivity kernels, and  $T^{j,(k)}$  are the target kernels. The kernels are members of the spaces  $\mathcal{M}_j$  and are assumed to be linearly independent.

#### 3 Norm Bound

The prior information used in this method is, following (Al-Attar 2021):

$$||m||_{\mathcal{M}} \le M \tag{10}$$

Usually the norm bound M is found by assuming that the absolute value of the true model  $\bar{m}$  is bounded above by some functions  $b^j$  such that:

$$\left| m^j \right| \le b_j \tag{11}$$

$$||m|| = \sum_{j} ||m^{j}|| \le \sum_{j} ||b_{j}|| = M$$
 (12)

### 4 Solution

This overview of the solution derivation follows Al-Attar 2021. The problem that we want to solve is:

$$G(m) = d (13)$$

$$||m||_{\mathcal{M}} \le M \tag{14}$$

Find

$$\mathcal{T}(\bar{m}) = \bar{p}.\tag{15}$$

If G is surjective, but not injective, then there might be multiple models that fit the data perfectly, making an inversion ill-posed. A general solution of (13) can be given in terms of the generalized Moore-Penrose right inverse and the null space of G (also known as the kernel and denoted by  $\ker$ ):

$$\{m\} = \tilde{m} + \ker(G) \tag{16}$$

where  $\tilde{m}$  is the generalized inverse (in this case it is also equal to the least norm solution of eq. (13)). Therefore we can write the true model solution as:

$$\bar{m} = \tilde{m} + m_0 \tag{17}$$

where  $m_0 \in \ker(G)$ . If we apply the property mapping we obtain:

$$\bar{p} = \tilde{p} + \mathcal{T}(m_0) \tag{18}$$

where  $\tilde{p}$  is the property of the least norm solution  $\tilde{m}$ , and  $\bar{p}$  is the property of the true model. While  $\tilde{p}$  is known and fixed,  $\mathcal{T}(m_0)$  may take many values. To find the range of values that  $\mathcal{T}(m_0)$  we will do the following operations: replace (17) into (14) squared:

$$\|\bar{m}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 = \langle \bar{m}, \bar{m} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} = \langle \tilde{m} + m_0, \tilde{m} + m_0 \rangle \le M^2$$
 (19)

then use the fact that  $\tilde{m} \perp m_0$  (see in next section why):

$$\|\tilde{m}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \langle m_0, m_0 \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \le M^2 \tag{20}$$

Now,  $m_0 \in \ker(G)$ , and we note that a part of  $m_0$  may be in  $\ker(\mathcal{T})$ . We call that part  $m_{00}$  and we can obtain it via:

$$m_{00} = \mathbb{P}_{\ker(\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)})} m_0 \tag{21}$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}$  is the restriction of  $\mathcal{T}$  onto  $\ker(G)$ , and  $\mathbb{P}_{\ker(\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)})}$  is the projection onto  $\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}$  operator (see next section to more details). We then separate  $m_0$  into its two components in (20):

$$\|\tilde{m}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 + \langle m_0 - m_{00}, m_0 - m_{00} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} + \|m_{00}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \le M^2$$
(22)

where we used the fact that  $m_0 - m_{00} \perp m_{00}$  (see next section why). Replacing (21) into (22):

$$\left\langle (1 - \mathbb{P}_{\ker(\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)})}) m_0, (1 - \mathbb{P}_{\ker(\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)})}) m_0 \right\rangle_{\mathcal{M}} \leq M^2 - \|\tilde{m}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 - \|m_{00}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2.$$

However:

$$1 - \mathbb{P}_{\ker(\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)})} =$$

$$1 - (1 - \mathcal{T}^*_{|\ker(G)}(\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}\mathcal{T}^*_{|\ker(G)})^{-1}\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}) =$$

$$\mathcal{T}^*_{|\ker(G)}(\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}\mathcal{T}^*_{|\ker(G)})^{-1}\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}$$

$$(24)$$

(see next section for more details). Plugging this back into (23), and writing the inner product as a norm:

$$\left\| \mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^{*} (\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)} \mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^{*})^{-1} \mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)} (m_{0}) \right\|_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \leq M^{2} - \|\tilde{m}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} - \|m_{00}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}.$$
(26)

However:

$$\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}(m_0) = \mathcal{T}(m_0) = \mathcal{T}(\bar{m} - \tilde{m}) = \bar{p} - \tilde{p} \qquad (27)$$

which means that (26) can also be written as:

$$\left\| \mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^{*} (\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)} \mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^{*})^{-1} (\bar{p} - \tilde{p}) \right\|_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \leq M^{2} - \left\| \tilde{m} \right\|_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} - \left\| m_{00} \right\|_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}.$$
(28)

Now let:

$$\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^* (\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)} \mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^*)^{-1} = A \tag{29}$$

then (28) is:

$$||A(\bar{p} - \tilde{p})||_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \le M^{2} - ||\tilde{m}||_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} - ||m_{00}||_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}$$
(30)  
$$\langle A(\bar{p} - \tilde{p}), A(\bar{p} - \tilde{p})\rangle_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} \le M^{2} - ||\tilde{m}||_{\mathcal{M}}^{2} - ||m_{00}||_{\mathcal{M}}^{2}$$
(31)

$$\langle A^* A(\bar{p} - \tilde{p}), \bar{p} - \tilde{p} \rangle_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \le M^2 - \|\tilde{m}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2 - \|m_{00}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2.$$
(32)

Using (29) we have:

$$A^*A = (\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^*)^{-1} \tag{33}$$

which finally yields the result:

$$\left\langle (\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}^*)^{-1}(\bar{p}-\tilde{p}), \bar{p}-\tilde{p}\right\rangle_{\mathcal{M}}^2 \leq M^2 - \|\tilde{m}\|_{\mathcal{M}}^2$$
(34)

where  $||m_{00}||^2_{\mathcal{M}}$  was omitted since it cannot be computed in practice (and it immediately shows that this innequality is not sharp).

Inequality (34) tells us that the true property  $\bar{p}$  is found in a hyperellipsoid centered on  $\tilde{p}$  and with a shape determined by  $\mathcal{H} = (\mathcal{T}_{|\ker(G)}\mathcal{T}^*_{|\ker(G)})^{-1}$ .

## References

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