

Quasi-product-convolution Hessian approximation for ice sheet inverse problems

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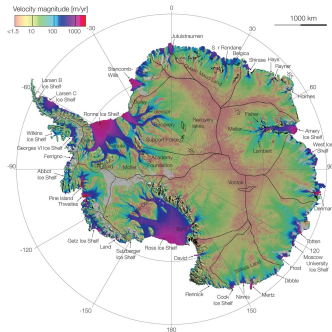
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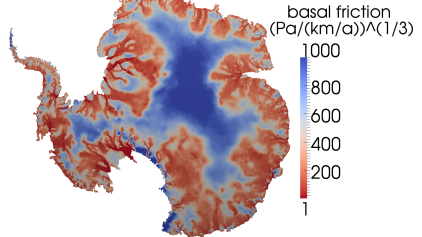
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Antarctic ice sheet



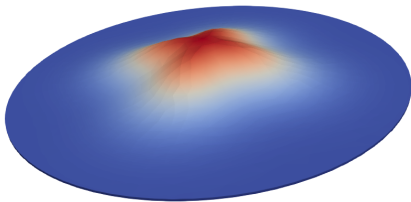
Observed surface flow velocity from InSAR (Rignot et. al, 2011)



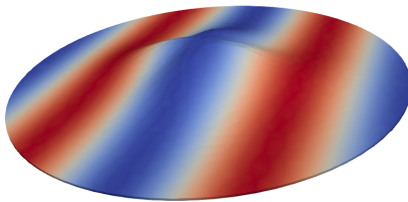
Antarctic ice sheet inversion for the basal friction parameter field from InSAR surface velocities

Details in: T. Isaac, N. Petra, G. Stadler, and O. Ghattas. *Scalable and efficient algorithms for the propagation of uncertainty from data through inference to prediction for large-scale problems, with application to flow of the Antarctic ice sheet*, Journal of Computational Physics, 296, 348-368 (2015).

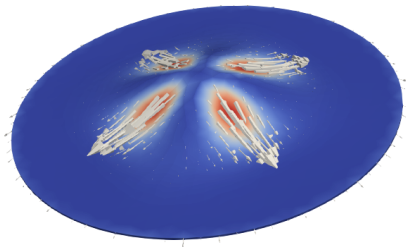
Model Problem (Ice mountain)



(a) Ice sheet elevation



(b) Basal friction



(c) Velocity

Ice sheet dynamics: forward and inverse

Balance of linear momentum, mass, and energy

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot [\eta(\theta, \mathbf{u}) \dot{\epsilon} - \mathbf{I}p] &= \rho \mathbf{g}, & [\dot{\epsilon} &= \frac{1}{2}(\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T)] \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0, \\ \rho c \left(\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \theta \right) - \nabla \cdot (K \nabla \theta) &= 2 \eta \operatorname{tr}(\dot{\epsilon}^2) \end{aligned}$$

We have: Satellite observations of surface velocity

We want: The sliding/friction coefficient β in Robin boundary condition

$$\mathbf{T}(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{n}) + \beta(x) \mathbf{T} \mathbf{u} = 0$$

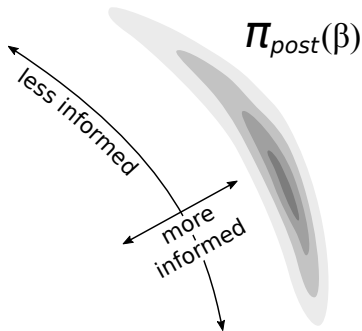
(\mathbf{T} is tangential component)

Bayesian approach

Inverse problem: given noisy data \mathbf{d} and a model \mathbf{f} , infer parameters β that characterize the model, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{f}(\beta) + \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{d}$$

Interpret β , \mathbf{d} as random variables; solution of inverse problem is the “posterior” probability density function $\pi_{\text{post}}(\beta)$ found via Bayes’ theorem.



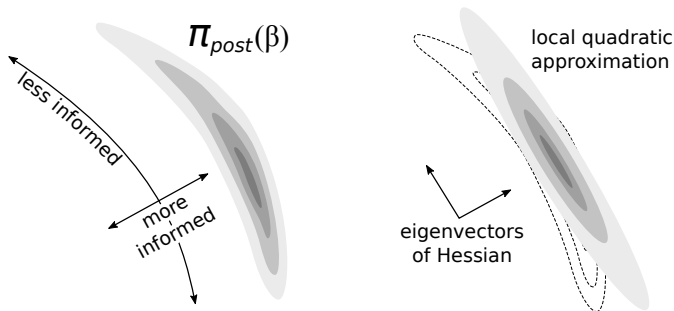
Hessian: local Gaussian approximation

Hessian:

$$\mathbf{H} := -\frac{d^2 \log \pi_{\text{post}}}{d\beta^2}$$

Local Gaussian approximation proposal:

$$\pi_{\text{prop}}(\beta) := \frac{\det \mathbf{H}^{1/2}}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{y} - \beta_k + \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{H} (\mathbf{y} - \beta_k + \mathbf{H}^{-1} \mathbf{g}) \right)$$



Matrix-free

$$\mathbf{H} = \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_d}_{\text{data misfit Hessian}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{H}_r}_{\text{Prior Hessian}}$$

- Data misfit Hessian, and therefore the whole Hessian, are only available matrix-free
- Cannot access \mathbf{H}_{ij} easily
- Can compute matrix-vector products (matvecs)

$$\mathbf{u} \mapsto \mathbf{H}\mathbf{u}$$

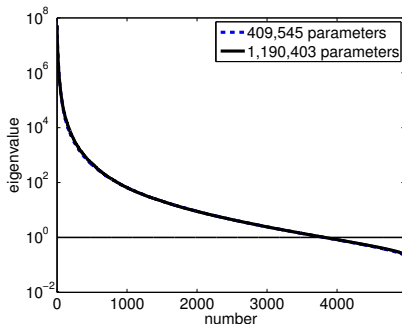
- Cost: **2** linearized Stokes **PDE solves** per matvec

Low rank Hessian approximation (extremely expensive!)

Low-rank approximation/Woodbury formula:

$$\Gamma_{\text{prop}} = \mathbf{H}^{-1} = (\mathbf{H}_d + \mathbf{H}_r)^{-1} \approx \mathbf{H}_r^{1/2} (\mathbf{V}_r \mathbf{\Lambda}_r \mathbf{V}_r^T + \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{H}_r^{1/2}$$

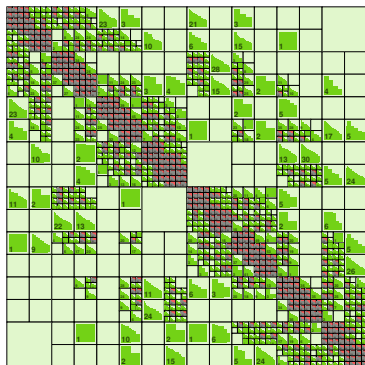
where \mathbf{V}_r and $\mathbf{\Lambda}_r$ are the eigenvectors/values of $\mathbf{H}_d \mathbf{v}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{H}_r \mathbf{v}_i$



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Hierarchical matrices (\mathcal{H} -matrices)

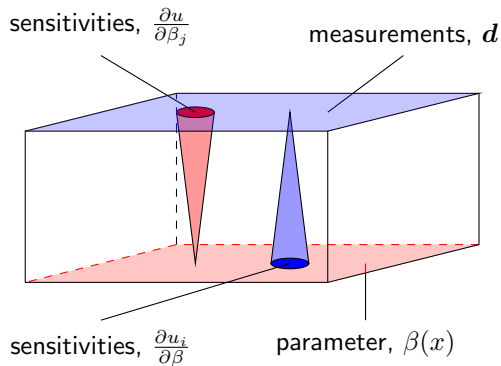
- Matrix is reordered and subdivided recursively
- Many off-diagonal blocks are low-rank
- Overall matrix may be high rank
- $O(N (\log N)^a)$ complexity matrix operations, $a \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$
 - matrix-vector products, matrix-matrix addition, matrix-matrix multiplication, matrix factorization, matrix inversion, ...



Hierarchical matrix vs. matrix free

- Classical methods for building \mathcal{H} -matrix require matrix entries \mathbf{H}_{ij}
- New algebraic methods based on “peeling process” can build \mathcal{H} -matrix from matrix-vector products
 - T. Hartland, G. Stadler, M. Perego, K. Liégeois and N. Petra. *Hierarchical off-diagonal approximation of Hessians in inverse problems*. To be submitted.
 - Tucker Hartland is giving a talk about this later
 - 3:00-3:25 Thursday, MS140, Room: Augusta F - 7th Floor
- **Problem:** peeling process better than low rank, but **still expensive**
- Here we build the \mathcal{H} -matrix faster by taking advantage of the problem structure
 - **Local sensitivities**
 - **Local mean-displacement invariance**
 - **Non-negative impulse responses***

Local sensitivities

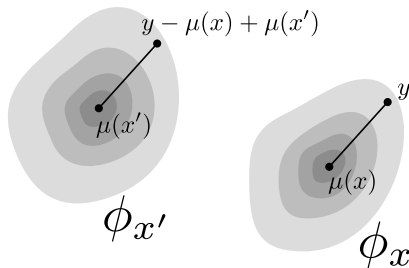


Local mean-displacement invariance

Impulse response ϕ_x :

$\phi_x := H_d \delta_x =$ action of Hessian operator on delta distribution at x

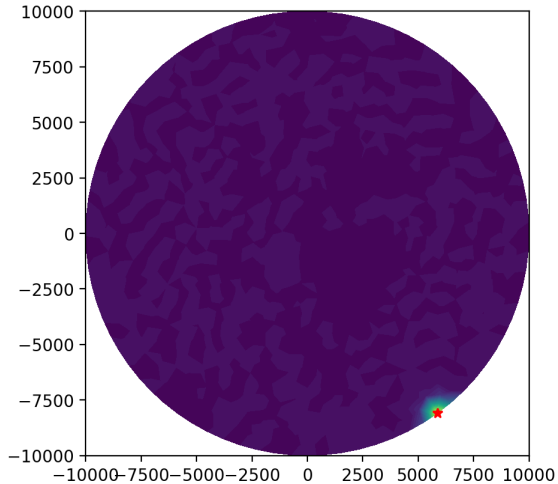
$\mu(x) :=$ center of mass (mean) of ϕ_x



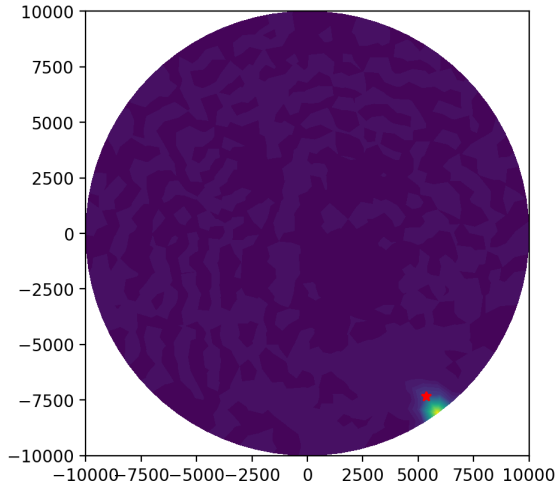
Local mean-displacement invariance:

$$\phi_x(y) \approx \phi_{x'}(y - \mu(x) + \mu(x'))$$

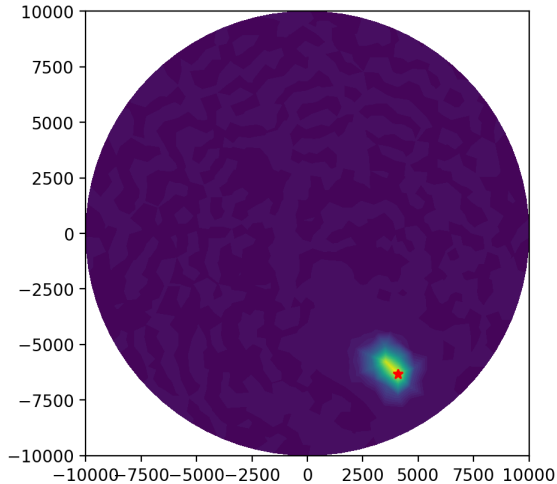
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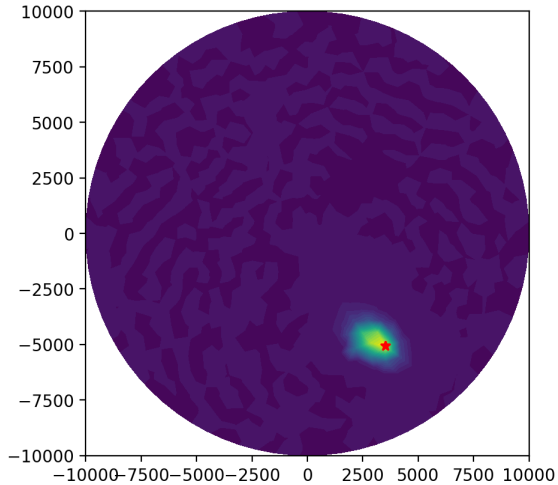
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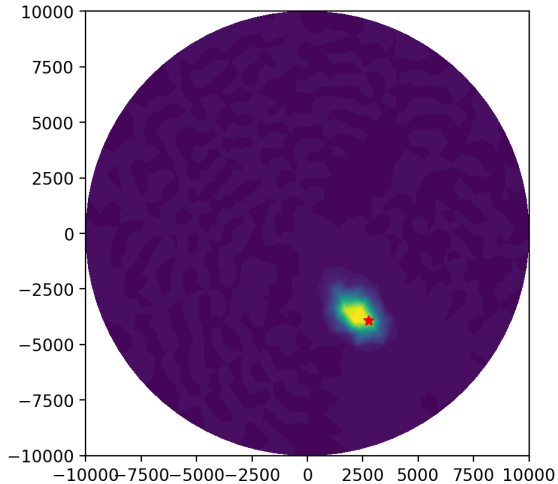
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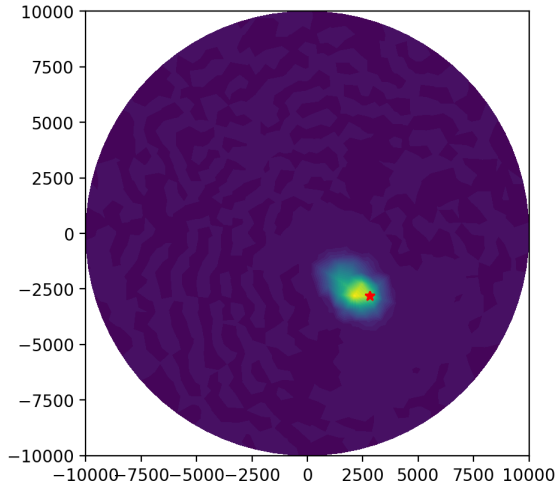
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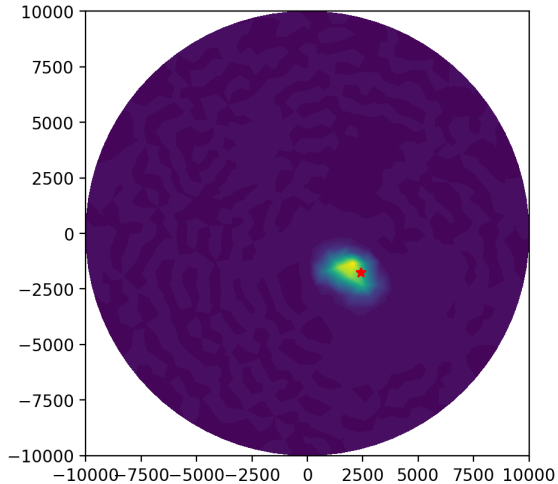
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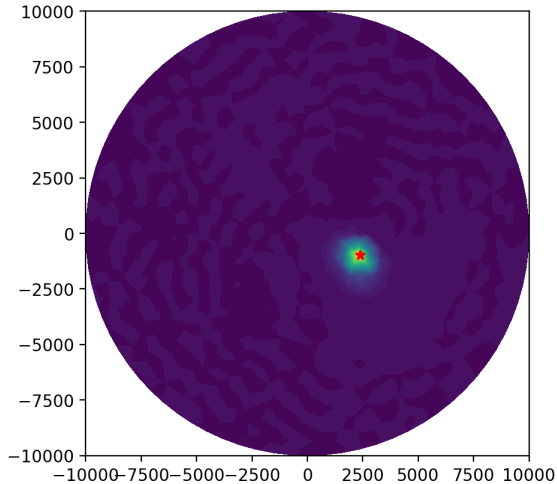
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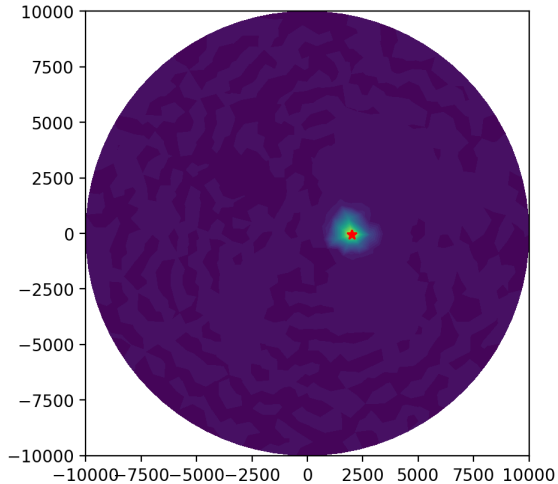
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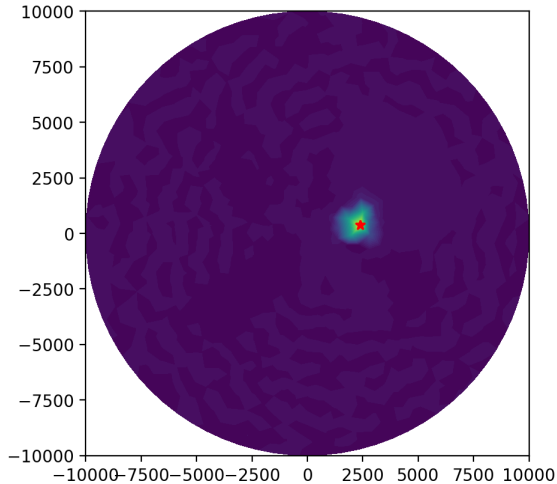
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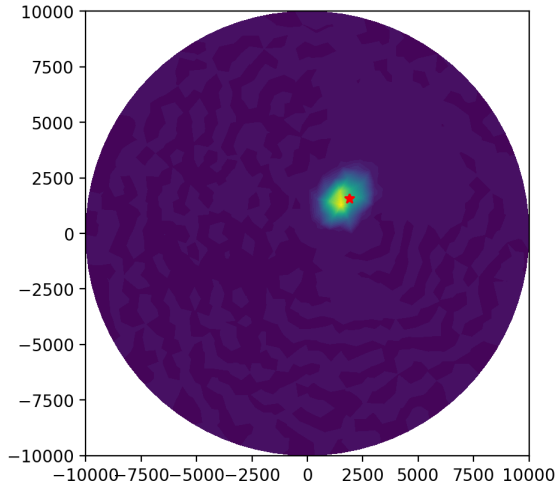
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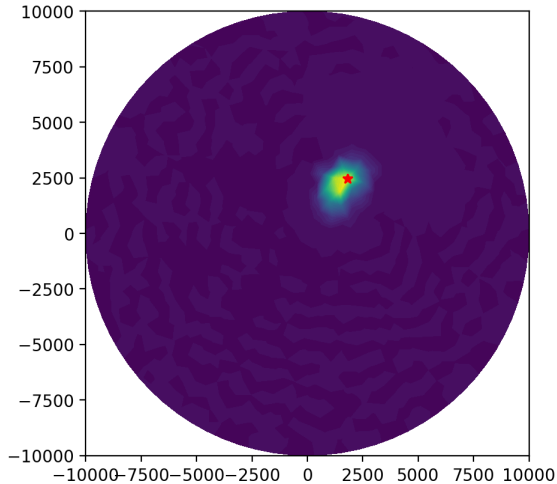
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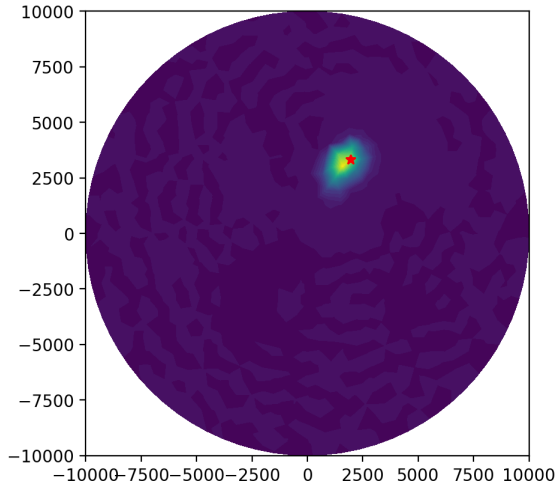
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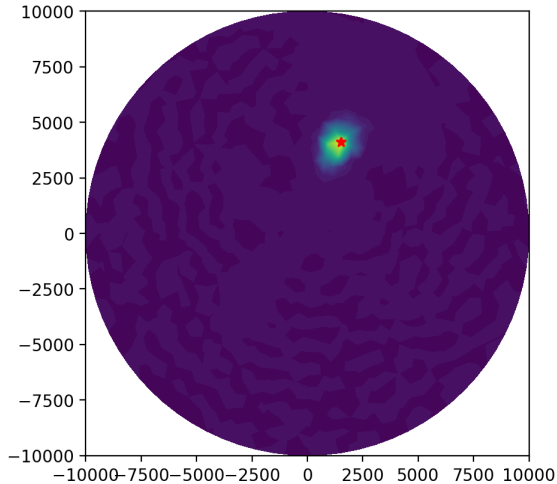
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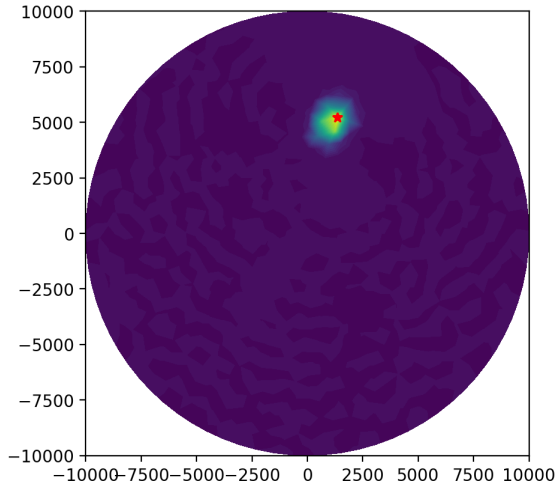
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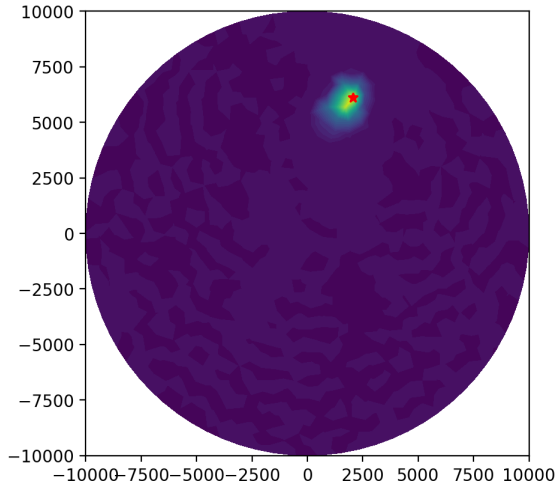
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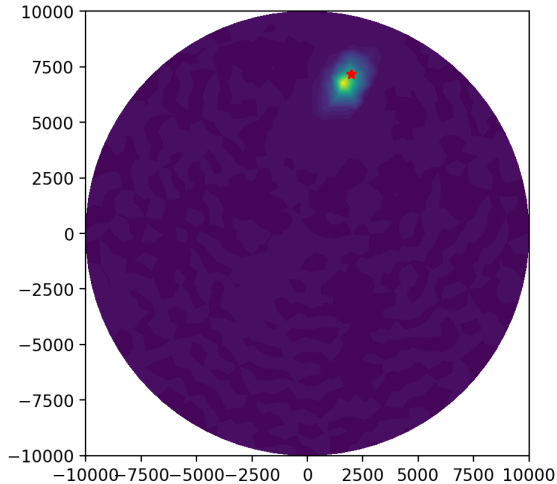
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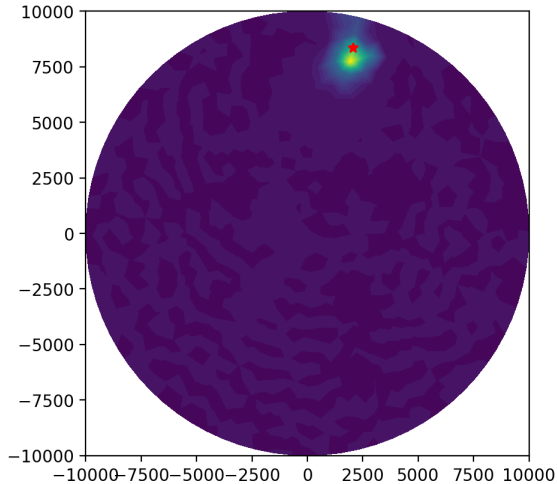
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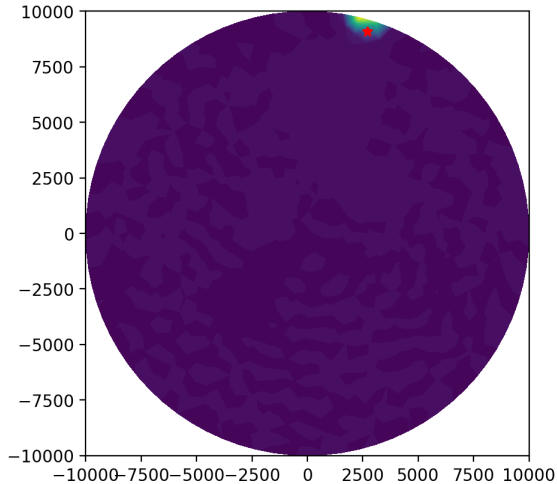
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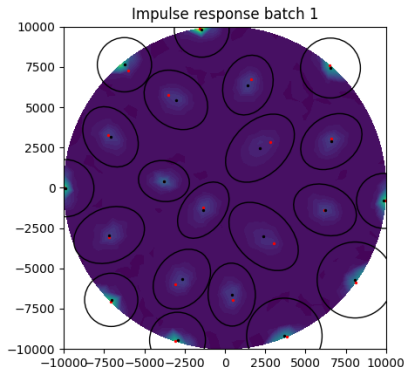
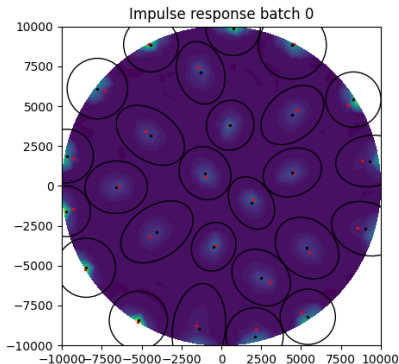


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Hessian approximation method: big idea

- **Step 1:** Compute “batches” of impulse responses by applying Hessian to Dirac combs
- **Step 2:** Interpolate known impulse responses to approximate unknown Hessian entries \mathbf{H}_{ij}
- **Step 3:** Convert to \mathcal{H} -matrix to do linear algebra

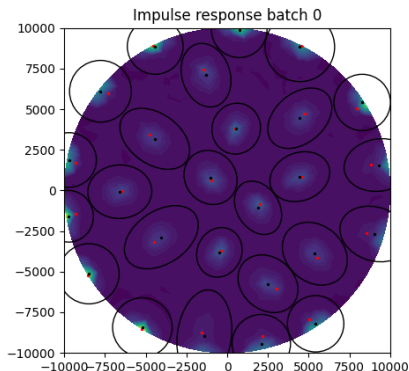


Hessian approximation: technical details

- How do we choose the impulse response points?
 - How do we make sure they don't overlap?
- How do we interpolate the impulse responses?
 - What about boundary issues?

How to choose impulse response points?

One hessian matrix-vector product \rightarrow many impulse responses



- **Goal:** choose as many points as possible, such that the impulse response supports don't overlap
- **Dilemma:** How can we know the impulse response supports before we compute them?

Matrix analogy: getting all row sums

Matrix: let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$. Then

$$\mathbf{A}^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{sum of } \mathbf{A} \text{ col } 1 \\ \text{sum of } \mathbf{A} \text{ col } 2 \\ \vdots \\ \text{sum of } \mathbf{A} \text{ col } N \end{bmatrix}$$

Apply matrix to vector of ones \rightarrow get row sums for all rows

Operator: let $C(x) = 1$ be the constant function. Then

$$(H_d^T C)^*(y) = \int_{\Omega} (H_d \delta_y)(x) dx$$

Apply Hessian to constant function \rightarrow get volumes of every impulse response

Mean and standard deviations of impulse responses

- Let $V(x)$, $\mu(x)$, and $\Sigma(x)$ be the “volume”, “mean”, and “variance” of ϕ_x
- Let C , L^i , and Q^{ij} be the following functions:

$$C(x) := 1, \quad L^i(x) := x^i, \quad Q^{ij}(x) = x^i x^j$$

- Then

$$\begin{aligned} V &= (H_d^T C)^* \\ \mu^i &= (H_d^T L^i)^* / V \\ \Sigma^{ij} &= (H_d^T Q^{ij})^* / V - \mu^i \cdot \mu^j \end{aligned}$$

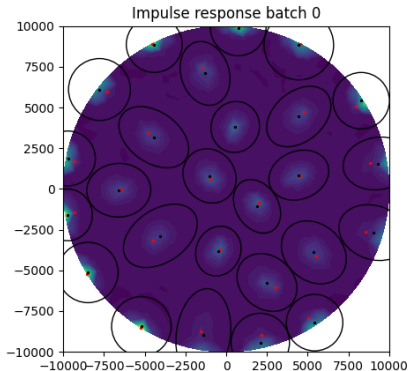
- Apply Hessian to constant, linear, and quadratic functions \rightarrow get estimates of support for every impulse response

Impulse response support ellipsoids

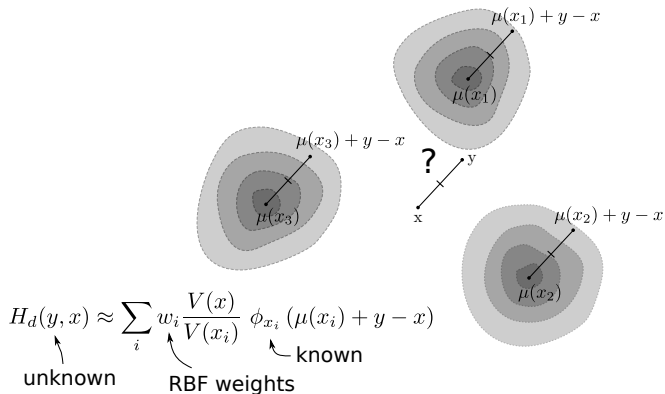
- ϕ_x is **approximately supported** in the ellipsoid

$$E = \{y : (y - \mu(x))^T \Sigma(x)^{-1} (y - \mu(x)) \leq \tau^2\}$$

- Picking impulse response points becomes an **ellipsoid packing problem**
- Pack ellipsoids using **greedy algorithm**

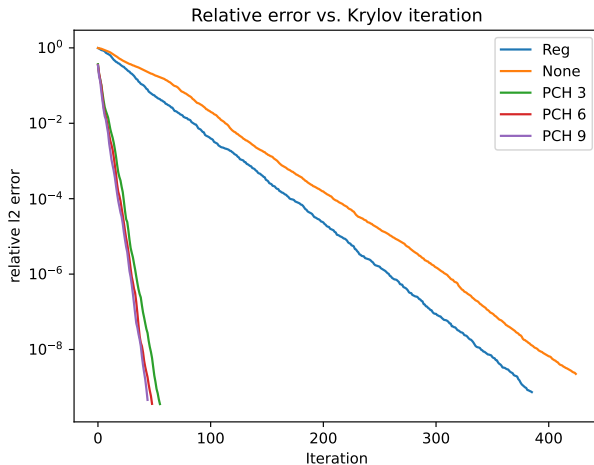


Radial basis function interpolation



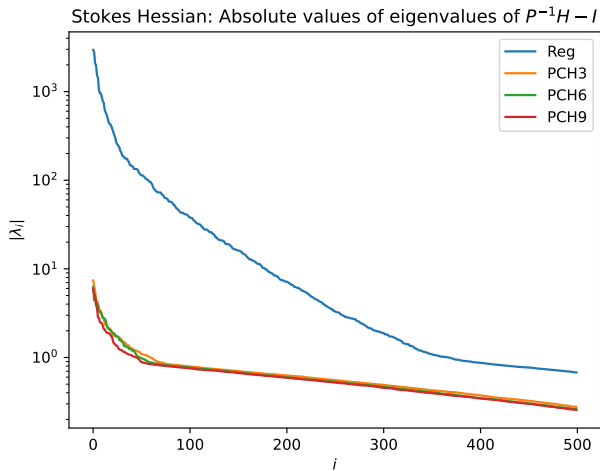
- Interpolate impulse responses using polyharmonic spline radial basis functions.
- Use only k -nearest neighbors (must solve $k \times k$ linear system)

CG Hessian solve with different preconditioners



Solving $Hp = -g$ with preconditioned conjugate gradient

Preconditioned spectrum



Summary

- Hessian approximations or preconditioners are essential for Bayesian sampling in inverse problems governed by partial differential equations.
- Low-rank approximations of the Hessian become prohibitive as the data becomes more informative (as is the case for ice sheet inverse problems).
- Local point spread function interpolation combined with Hierarchical matrix representations yield a highly efficient Hessian approximation.

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