





Taller 1: Problemas inversos

Y un poco de programación

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Objectivos de este taller



- What is inversion? When do we meet this class of problem (inversion is everywhere in physical, sociological, health, ...)
- Provide recipes to solve linear inverse problems
- Give simple examples
- Two useful books on the subject, and main credits:
 - 1 Geophysical Data Analysis: Discrete Inverse Theory (Revised Edition) William Menke (1989), Academic Press
 - 2 Parameter Estimation and Inverse Problems (Second Edition) Richard C. Aster, Brian Borchers & Clifford H. Thurber (2013), Academic Press

Outline



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Forward and inverse problems



Forward problem:

Model parameters \rightarrow Forward modeling \rightarrow Predicted data Inverse problem:

Observed data \rightarrow Inverse modeling \rightarrow Parameter estimation

Principios matemáticos



We are interested in the relationships between physical (or chemical, economic, \dots) model parameters m and a set of data d.

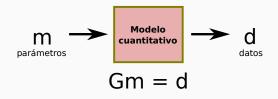
 We assume a good knowledge of the laws governing the investigated phenomena (underlying physics), in the form of a function G such that

$$d = G(m) \tag{1}$$

- In the mathematical model d = G(m), the forward modeling operator G can be defined as
 - a linear or nonlinear system of algebraic equations
 - the solution of an ODE or PDE
- Forward problem: find d given m
- Inverse problem: find m given d_c
- Model identification problem: find G knowing some values of d and m

Ejemplos:





 $\mathsf{Modelo} \to \mathsf{l\'inea} \ \mathsf{recta}$

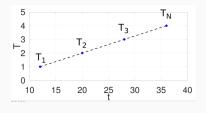
ejemplo:

$$T_1 = a + bt_1$$

$$T_2 = a + bt_2$$

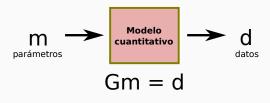
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$$T_N = a + bt_N$$



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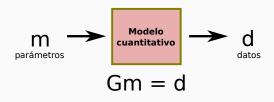
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$$\begin{bmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \\ \vdots \\ T_N \end{bmatrix}_{[N \times 1]} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ 1 & t_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_N \end{bmatrix}_{[N \times 2]} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}_{[2 \times 1]}$$

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Inverse problem (and/or

optimization) specific notions

Why inverse problem are difficult?



- We are concerned with far more than just finding an acceptable model m_i that fits the data d_i, assuming a physical model G.
- There may be several acceptable solutions
- Essential issues are i) solution existence, ii) solution uniqueness and iii) instability of the solution process
- There may be no model that exactly fits the data
 - The model is wrong, or approximate
 - Data are noisy
- Rank deficiency in the model space; null space= a set of parameter combination that do not change the data:
 d = G(m + lambda * m0) = i model resolution analysis
 because the solution may be biased with respect to the reality
- ii) Several solutions can fit equally the same dataset: in potential field, several density distribution produce the

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