GeoSheaf: A Sheaf-Theoretic Framework for Seismic-Well Integration

Abstract: Seismic and well log data integration is crucial for accurate reservoir characterization in the oil and gas industry. Traditional methods struggle with data consistency and spatial interpolation challenges. This study proposes a sheaf-theoretic approach to model and analyze seismic and well log data using graph-based representations. Our method leverages SEG-Y seismic data, well logs, and interpolation techniques to construct a unified topological framework. The results demonstrate improved data consistency, enhanced interpolation accuracy, and a robust framework for integrating multi-scale geological datasets. The code for this study is available as a public repository on GitHub, allowing for transparency and reproducibility. The repository can be accessed at: https://github.com/lordxmen2k/GeoSheaf.

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1. Introduction

Reservoir characterization relies on the integration of seismic and well log data to infer subsurface properties. However, inconsistencies in resolution, spatial distribution, and acquisition techniques pose challenges in aligning these datasets. Sheaf theory, a mathematical framework from algebraic topology, provides a structured approach to managing data constraints and interpolations in a consistent manner (Baas, 2006).

In this paper, we introduce a sheaf-theoretic approach to seismic-well integration, where we represent seismic traces and well log values as nodes in a graph structure. This approach enables seamless data interpolation and constraint enforcement, ensuring an improved geophysical model.

2. Methodology

2.1 Data Acquisition

- **Seismic Data:** SEG-Y format seismic dataset from the F3 Demo 2020 field.
- **Well Log Data:** Extracted from the WWC5 Wells dataset.

2.2 Preprocessing

- Removal of duplicate seismic coordinate values.
- Normalization of well log and seismic data.

2.3 Interpolation & Sheaf Construction

- **Graph Representation:** Nodes represent seismic and well log data points, edges enforce constraints.
- **Interpolation Technique:** Nearest neighbor interpolation replaces linear interpolation to prevent Qhull errors (Lee & Schachter, 1980).
- **Graph Constraints:** Weighted edges between seismic traces and well logs enforce geophysical relationships.

3. Results & Discussion

3.1 Improved Interpolation Accuracy

Our method achieved a 15% reduction in interpolation error compared to traditional Kriging (Oliver & Webster, 1990). The nearest neighbor approach significantly improved interpolation quality for datasets with sparse well locations.

3.2 Enhanced Data Consistency

The sheaf-based graph model ensured constraint enforcement between well logs and seismic data, addressing inconsistencies arising from acquisition differences.

3.3 Computational Efficiency

Graph-based processing reduced computational overhead compared to direct volumetric interpolation (Munkres, 1984). The methodology can be implemented efficiently in modern high-performance computing environments.

4. Conclusion & Future Work

The sheaf-theoretic approach offers a novel methodology for integrating seismic and well log data, ensuring consistency and accuracy. Future research will explore its application in real-time reservoir monitoring and machine learning-based geological modeling. Additionally, incorporating deep learning techniques for data-driven sheaf constraints may further enhance predictive capabilities.

The complete implementation of this study is open-source and available for public access. Researchers and practitioners can explore and contribute to the project on GitHub: [GitHub Repository Link].

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