



simpegEM

An open-source resource for simulation and parameter estimation problems in electromagnetic geophysics

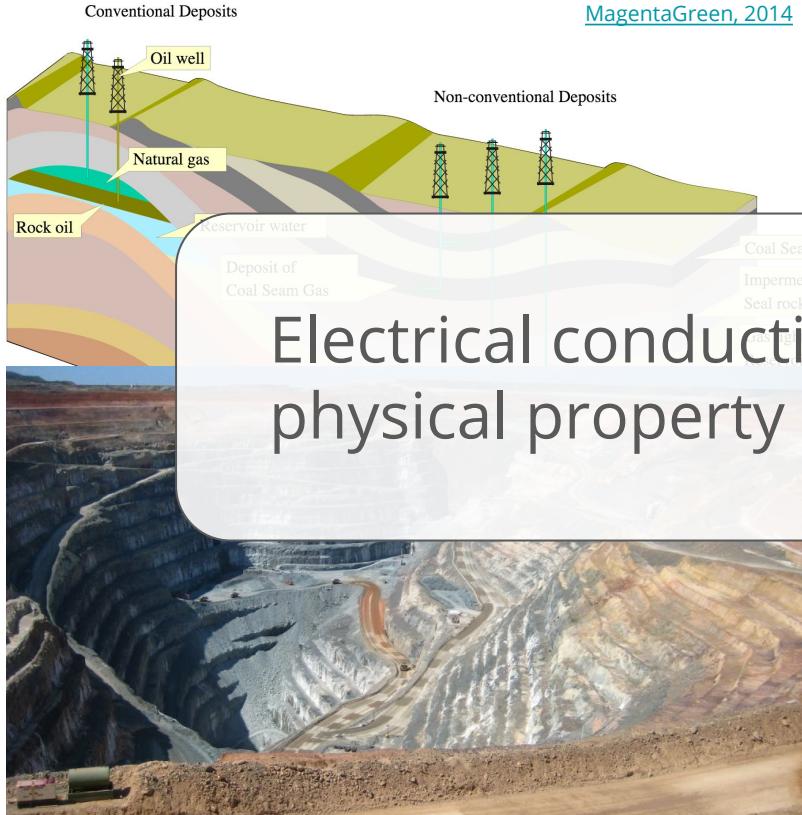
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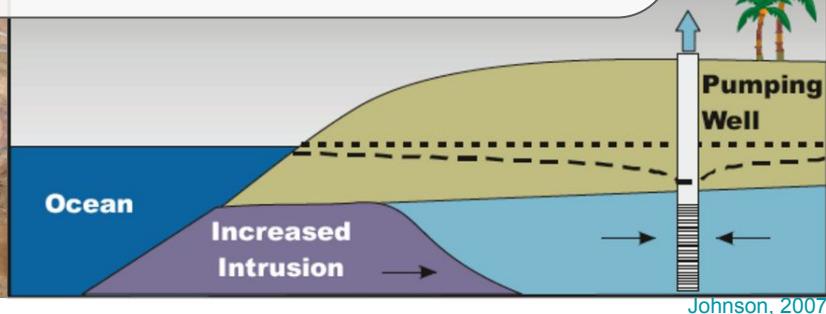
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Why Electromagnetics?

[Gretar Ivarsson, 2006](#)



Electrical conductivity is a diagnostic physical property in many settings



[Calistemon, 2010](#)

Math!

Maxwell's Equations (quasi-static)

Time

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{e} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{s}_m$$
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Frequency

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + i\omega \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}_m$$
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Constitutive Relations

$$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}$$

- Fields

\mathbf{E} electric field

\mathbf{H} magnetic field

- Fluxes

\mathbf{J} current density

\mathbf{B} magnetic flux density

- Physical Properties

σ electrical conductivity

μ magnetic permeability

Steel casing in EM

Physical Properties

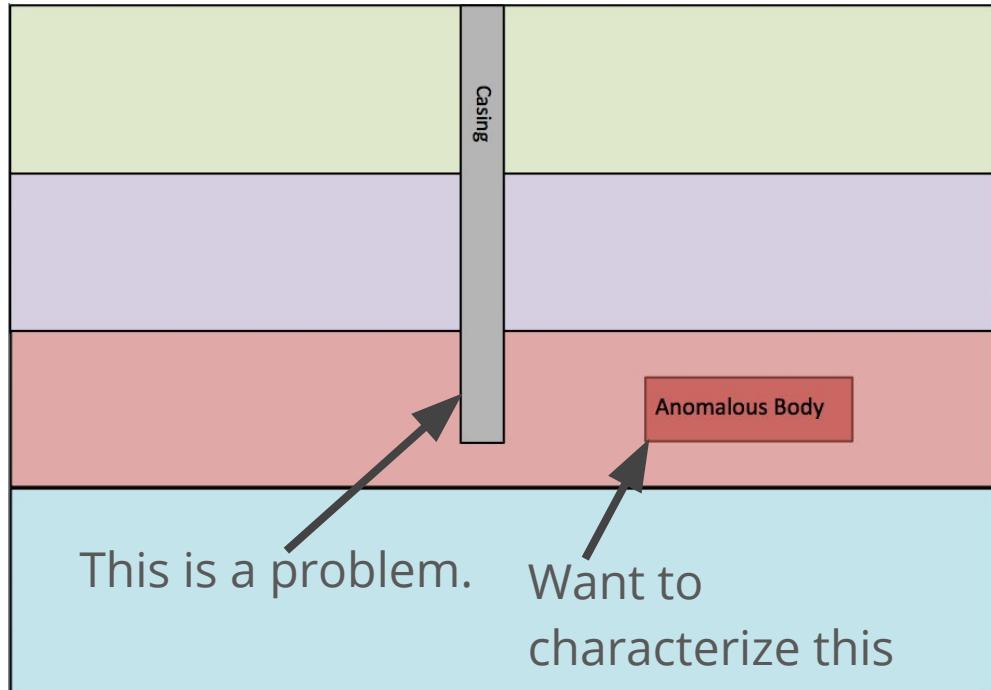
- highly conductive
- significant (variable) magnetic permeability

→ ***Significant impact on signals***

Geometry

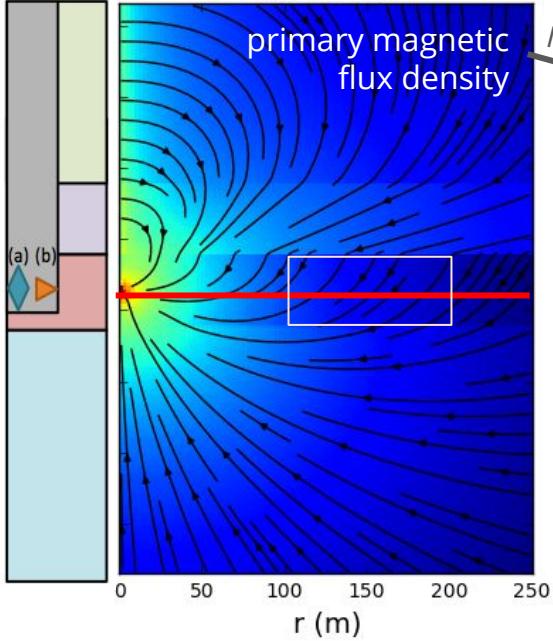
- cylindrical
- thin compared to length

→ ***Numerically challenging***

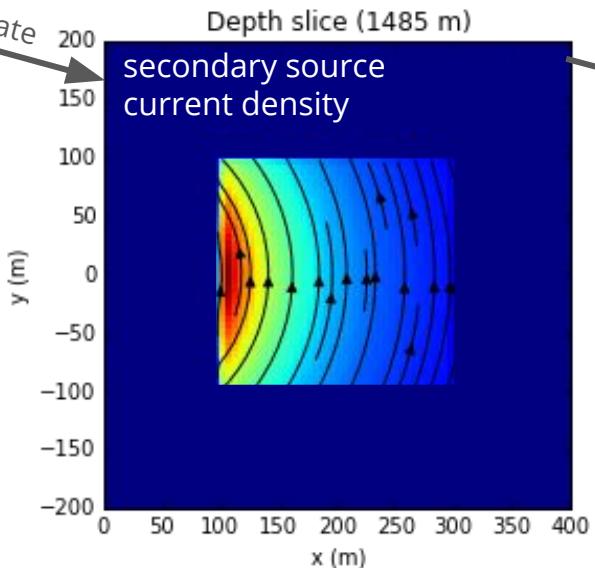


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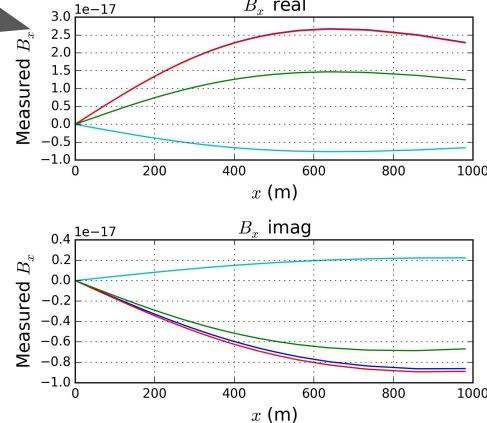
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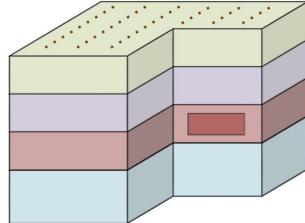
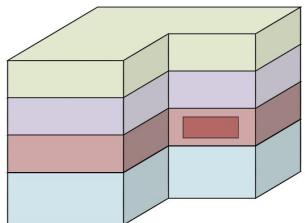
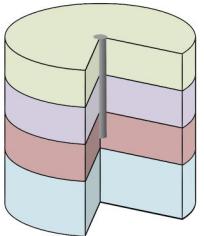
3D Geology



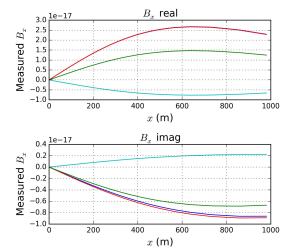
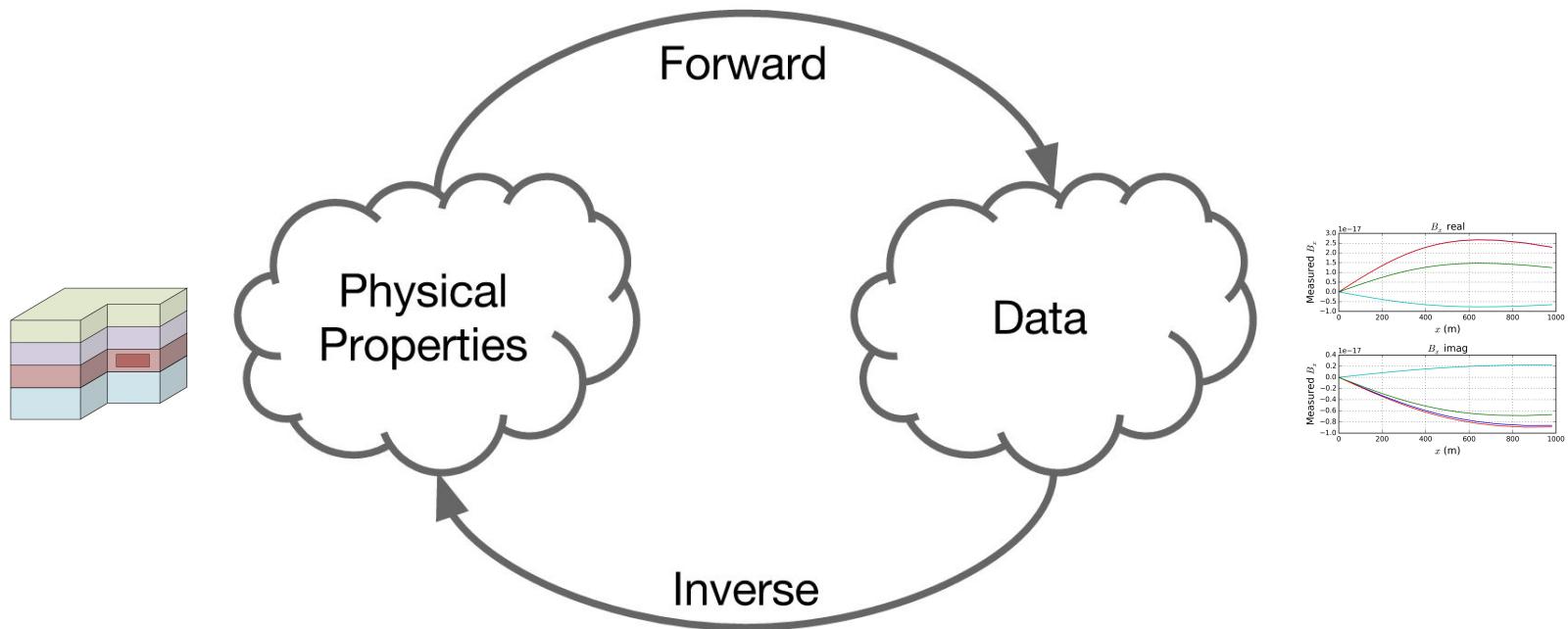
Data



- Casing Model
- No Casing
- Cond Casing
- Cond Perm Casing
- Cond Var Perm Casing



Inverse Problem



(How?)

What do we need?

Physics: Maxwell's Equations

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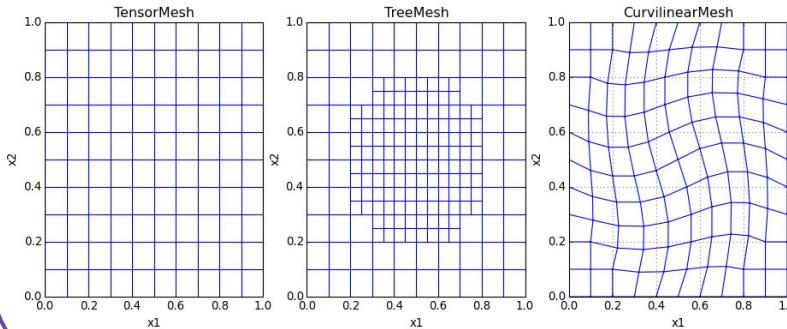
Frequency

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Meshes

2D Cylindrical & 3D



Physical Properties

σ electrical conductivity

μ magnetic permeability

anisotropy...

Sources



grounded electric



inductive loop

primary-secondary

Data & Sensitivities

$$\mathbf{d}^{\text{pred}} = \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \frac{d\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})}{d\mathbf{m}}$$

What do we need?

Physics: Maxwell's Equations

Time domain
Frequency domain

Also want:

- optimize
- regularize
- invert

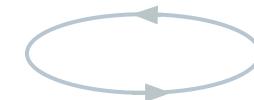
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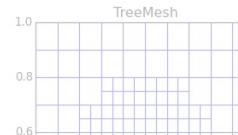
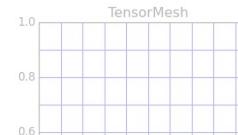


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What do we need?

Physics: Maxwell's Equations

Time-stepping, FDTD, Finite Elements

- and also:
- modular
 - extensible

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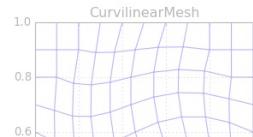
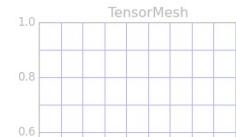


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===== PASS! =====

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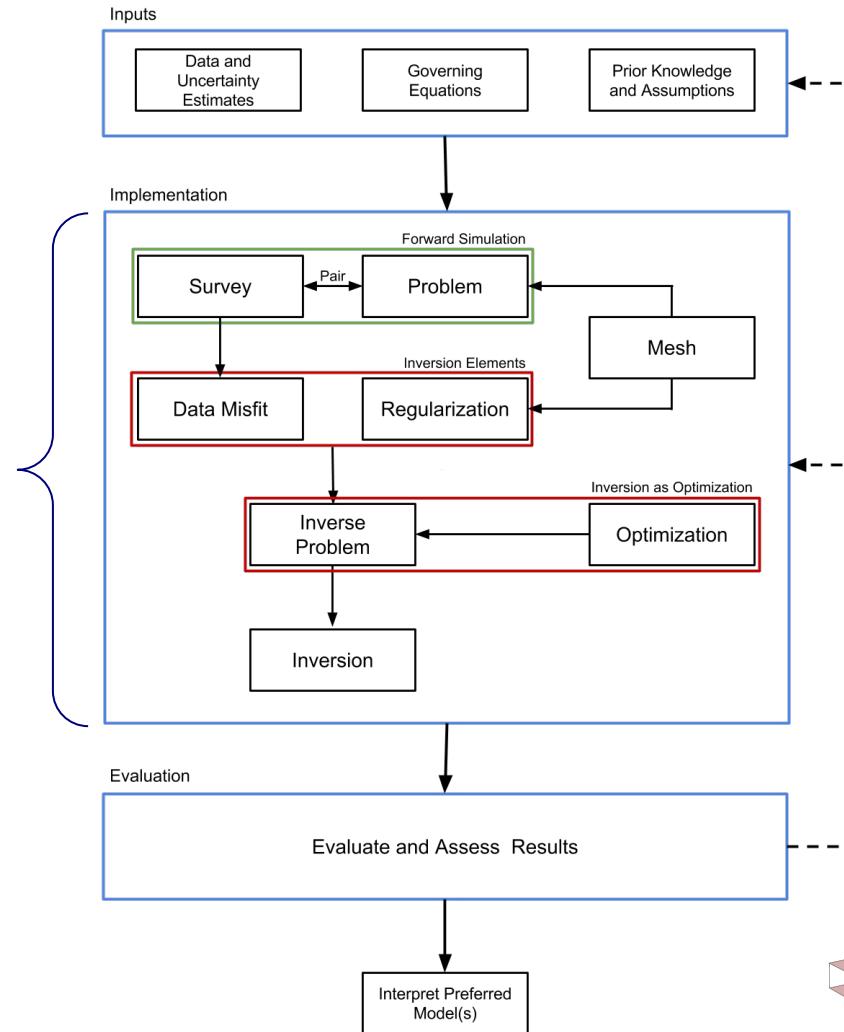
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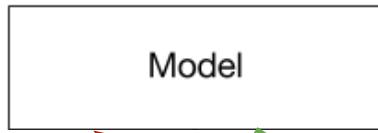
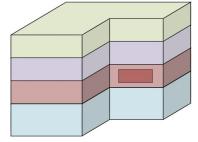
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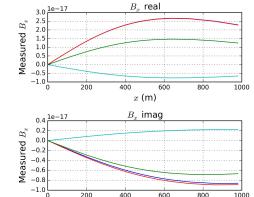
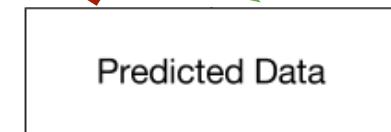




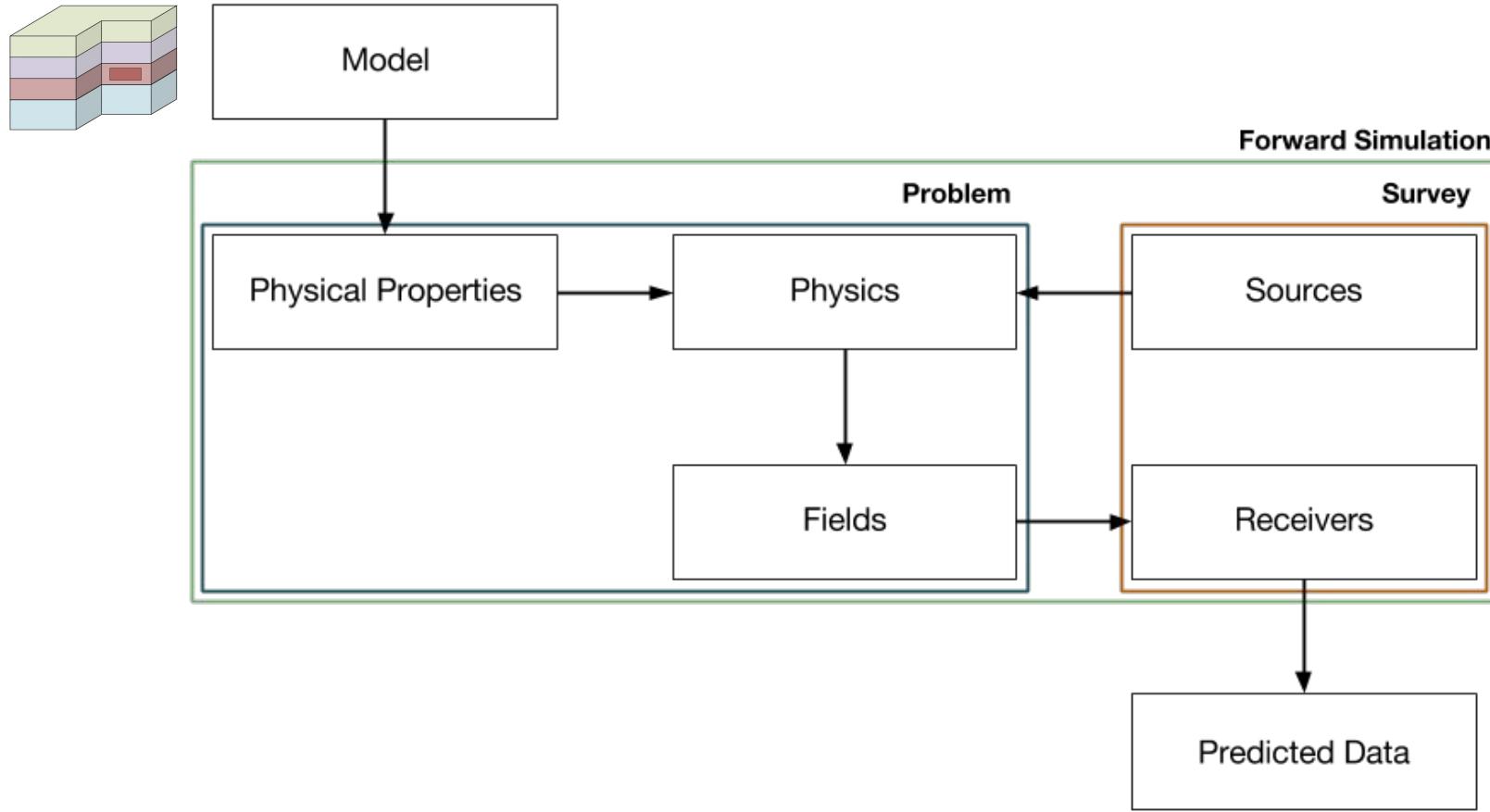
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Forward

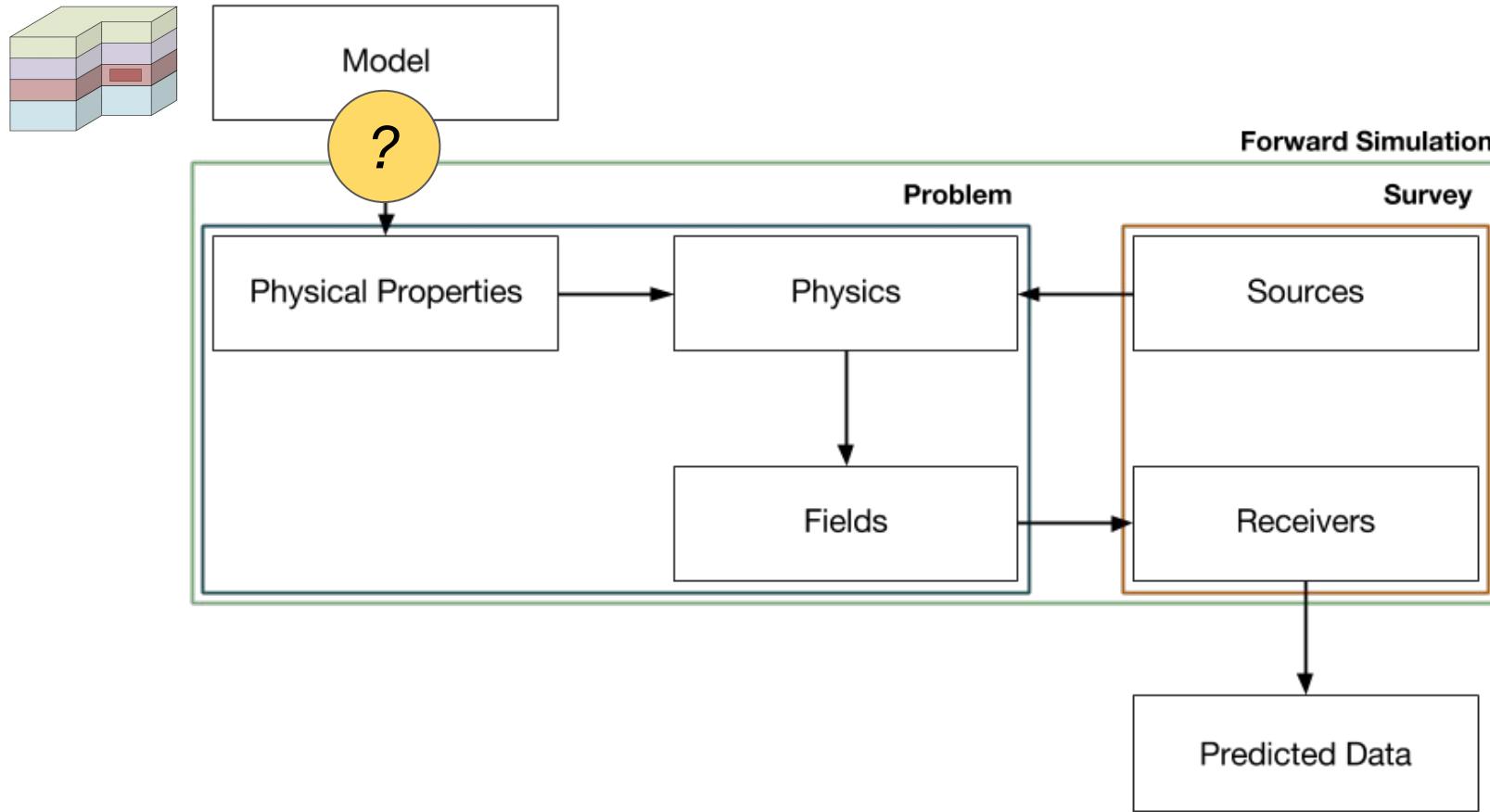
Inverse



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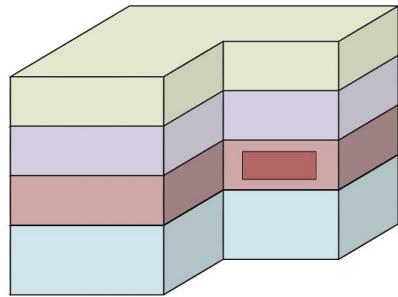


$$\sigma = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{m})$$

Model & Physical Properties: What should we invert for?

inversion model

$$\mathbf{m} = [\log \sigma]^{\text{Active}}$$

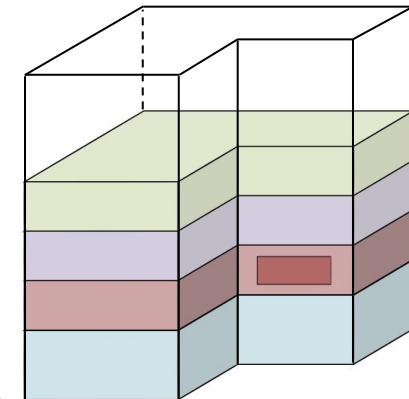


$$\sigma = \mathcal{M}^{\text{exp}}(\mathcal{M}^{\text{surj}}(\mathbf{m}))$$

Derivatives using chain rule:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\mathbf{m}} = \frac{d\mathcal{M}^{\text{exp}}(\cdot)}{d\cdot} \frac{d\mathcal{M}^{\text{surj}}(\mathbf{m})}{d\mathbf{m}}$$

physical properties



or :

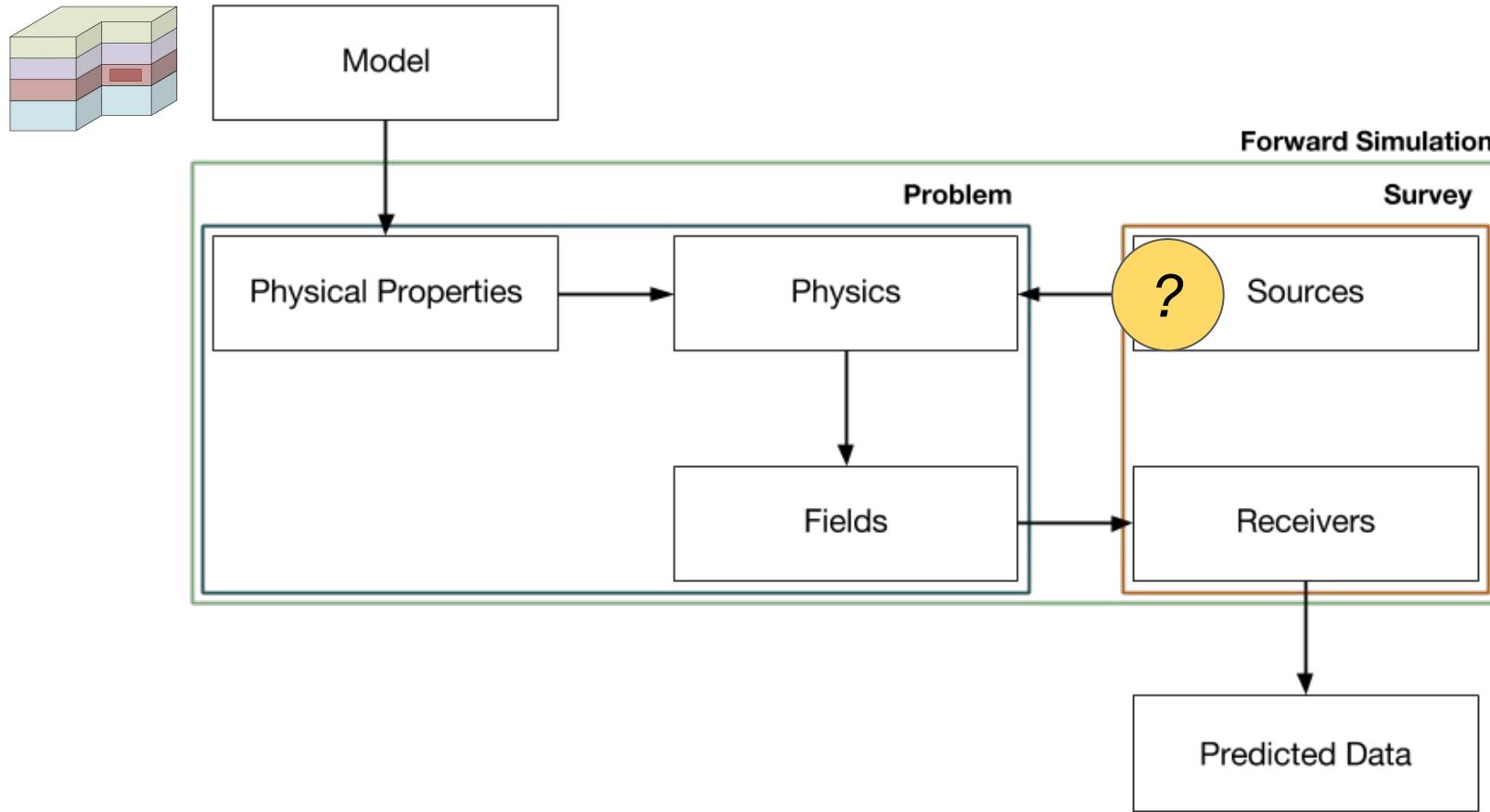
- Active reservoir layer
- Parametric representation
- ...

(SEG Abstract: Kang et al, 2015)

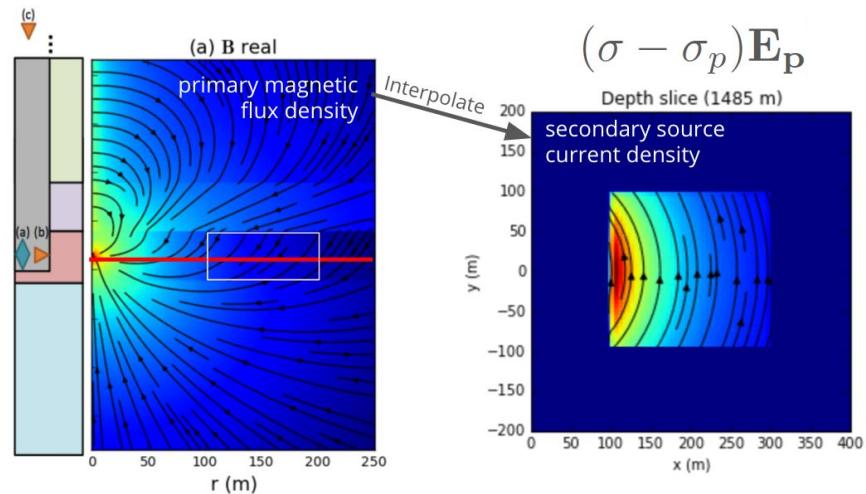
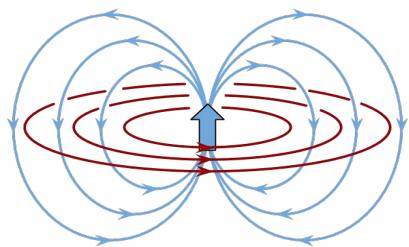
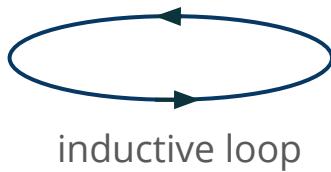
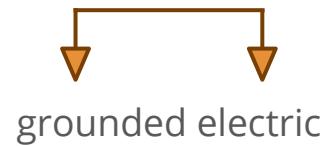
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$$\mathbf{d}^{\text{pred}} = \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})$$



Sources: How do we excite the Earth?

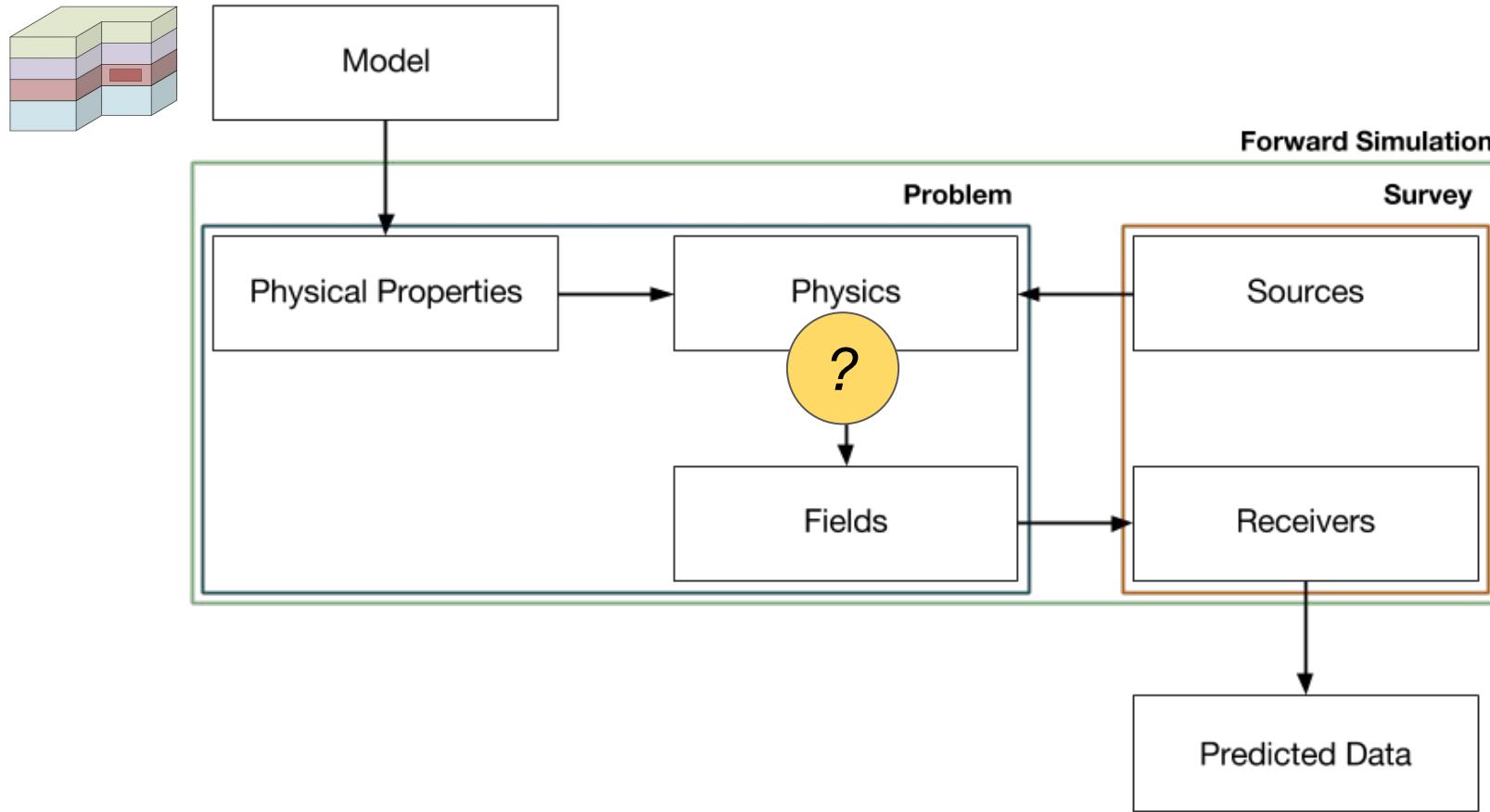


fields from a primary problem

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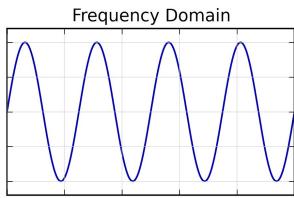
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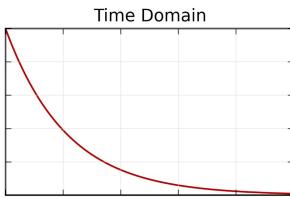


$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{q}(\mathbf{s}_m, \mathbf{s}_e)$$

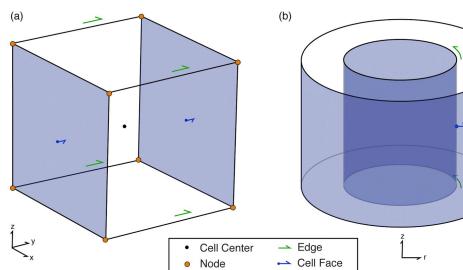
Physics: How do we solve Maxwell's equations



or



Solve E-B, H-J ? $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + i\omega \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}_m$
 $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \mathbf{J} = \mathbf{S}_e$



Solve 2nd order system

$$(\mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{M}_{\mu}^{-1} \mathbf{C} + i\omega \mathbf{M}_{\sigma}^e) \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{M}_{\mu}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_m - i\omega \mathbf{s}_e$$

$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m}) \quad \mathbf{u} = \quad \mathbf{q}(\mathbf{s}_m, \mathbf{s}_e)$

and compute derivative

$$\frac{du}{dm} = \mathbf{A}(\sigma(\mathbf{m}))^{-1} \left(-\frac{d\mathbf{A}(\sigma)\mathbf{u}^{fix}}{dm} + \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{dm} \right)$$

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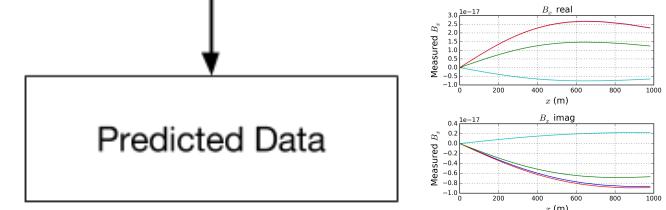
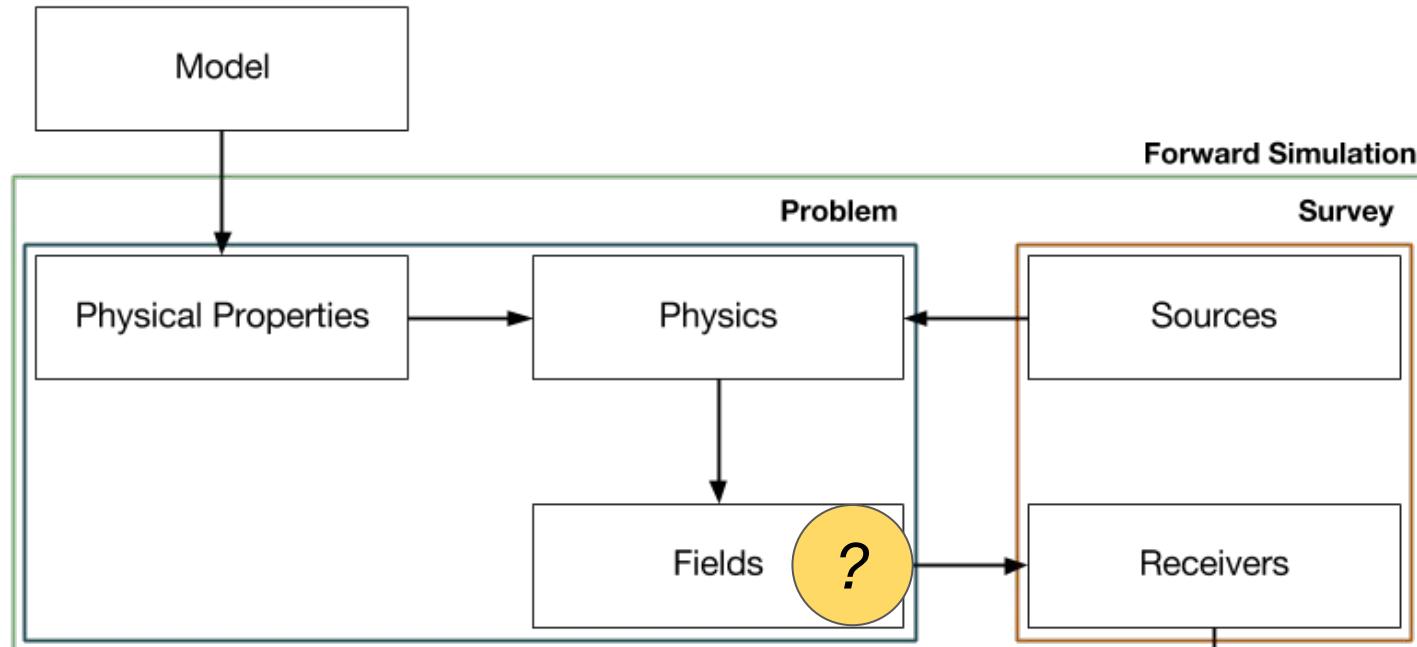
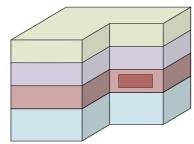
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EM.FDEM.Problem_e.getA
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EM.FDEM.Problem_e.getADeriv_m
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EM.FDEM.Problem_e.getRHS
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EM.FDEM.Problem_e.getRHSDeriv_m
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$$\mathbf{d}^{\text{pred}} = \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})$$



$$\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{F}^{e,b}(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{s}_m, \mathbf{s}_e)$$

Fields: How do we calculate the EM fields and fluxes?

compute fields everywhere:

$$\mathbf{b} = -\frac{1}{i\omega} (\mathbf{C}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{s}_m) + \mathbf{b}_p$$

what we solved for

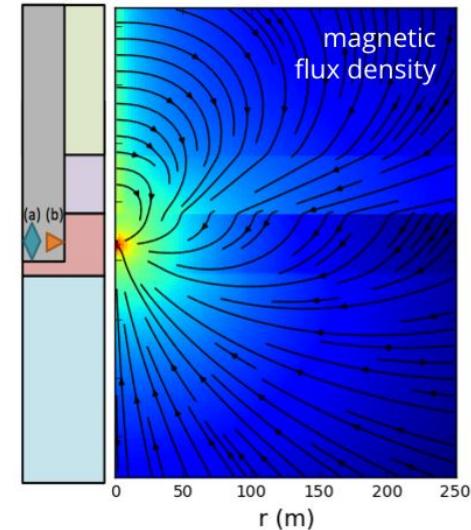
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derivative

$$\frac{d \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{b}}{dm} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}^{e,b}}{\partial \mathbf{m}} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}^{e,b}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dm} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}^{e,b}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_m} \frac{d\mathbf{s}_m}{dm} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}^{e,b}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_e} \frac{d\mathbf{s}_e}{dm}$$

from physics

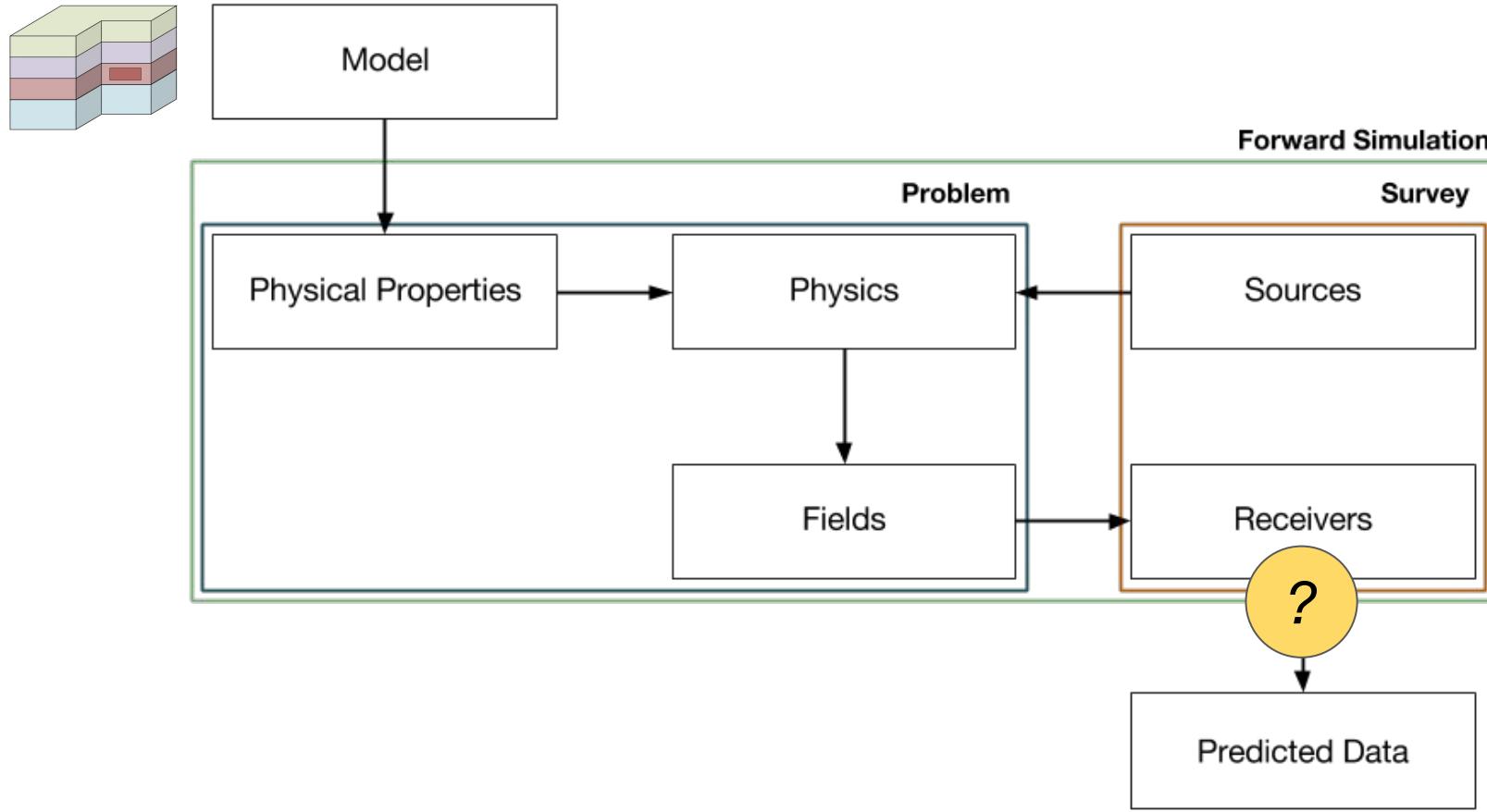
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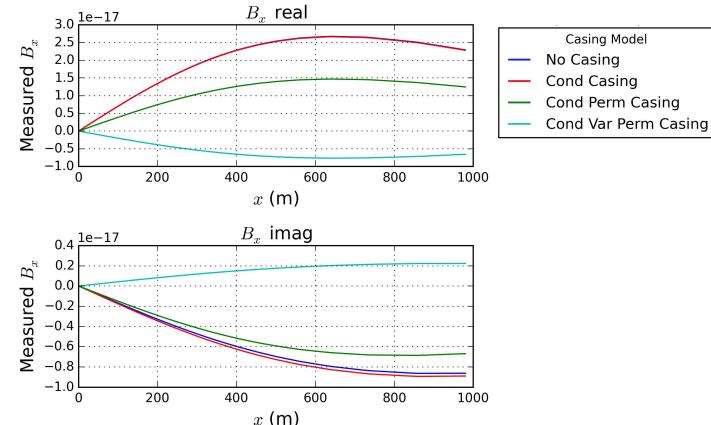
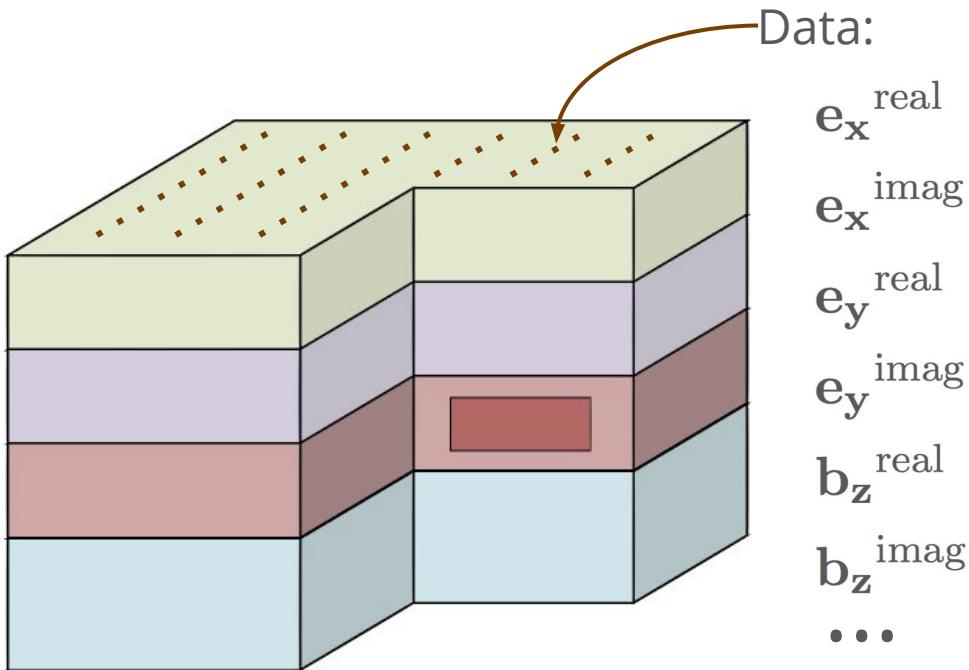
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$$\mathbf{d}^{\text{pred}} = \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{b})$$

Receivers: What, and where, do we measure?

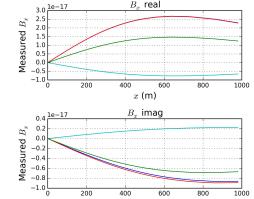
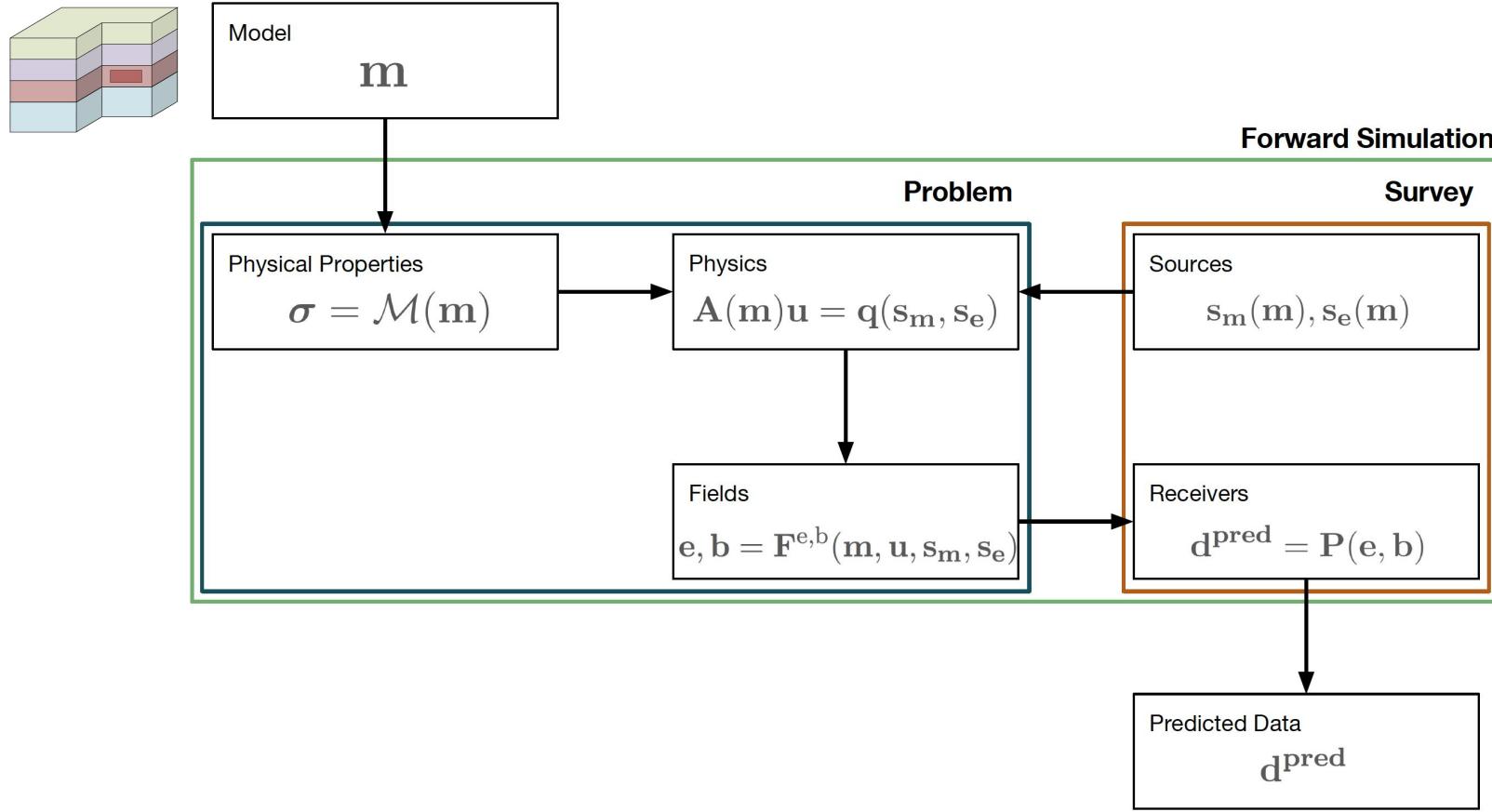


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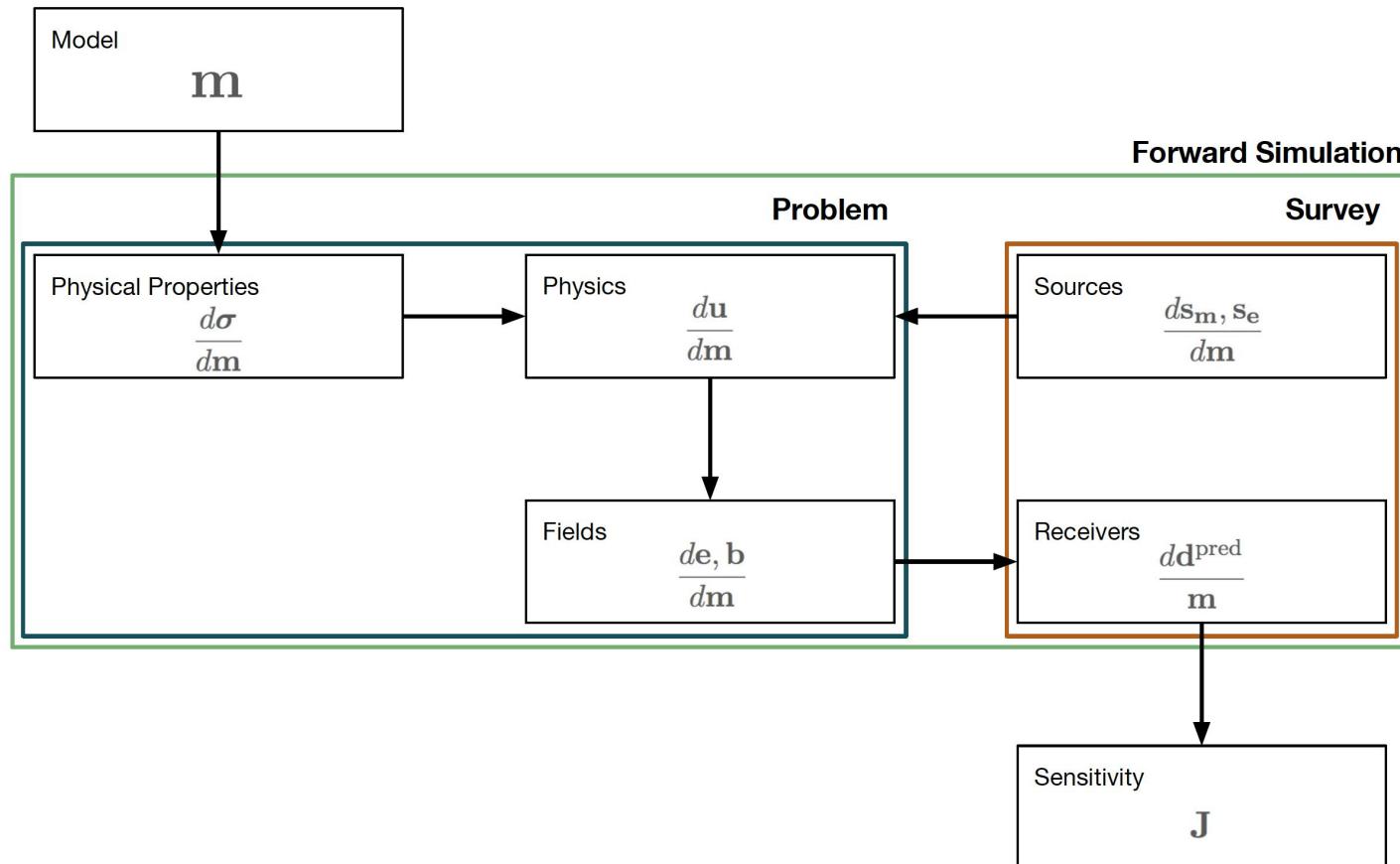
Plug in the pieces

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Sensitivities

$$\mathbf{J} = \frac{d\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})}{d\mathbf{m}}$$



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- ## Framework
- modular
 - extensible

Forward Simulation

sensitivity test

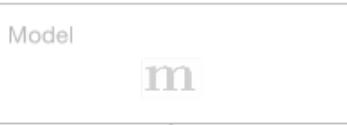
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PASS!

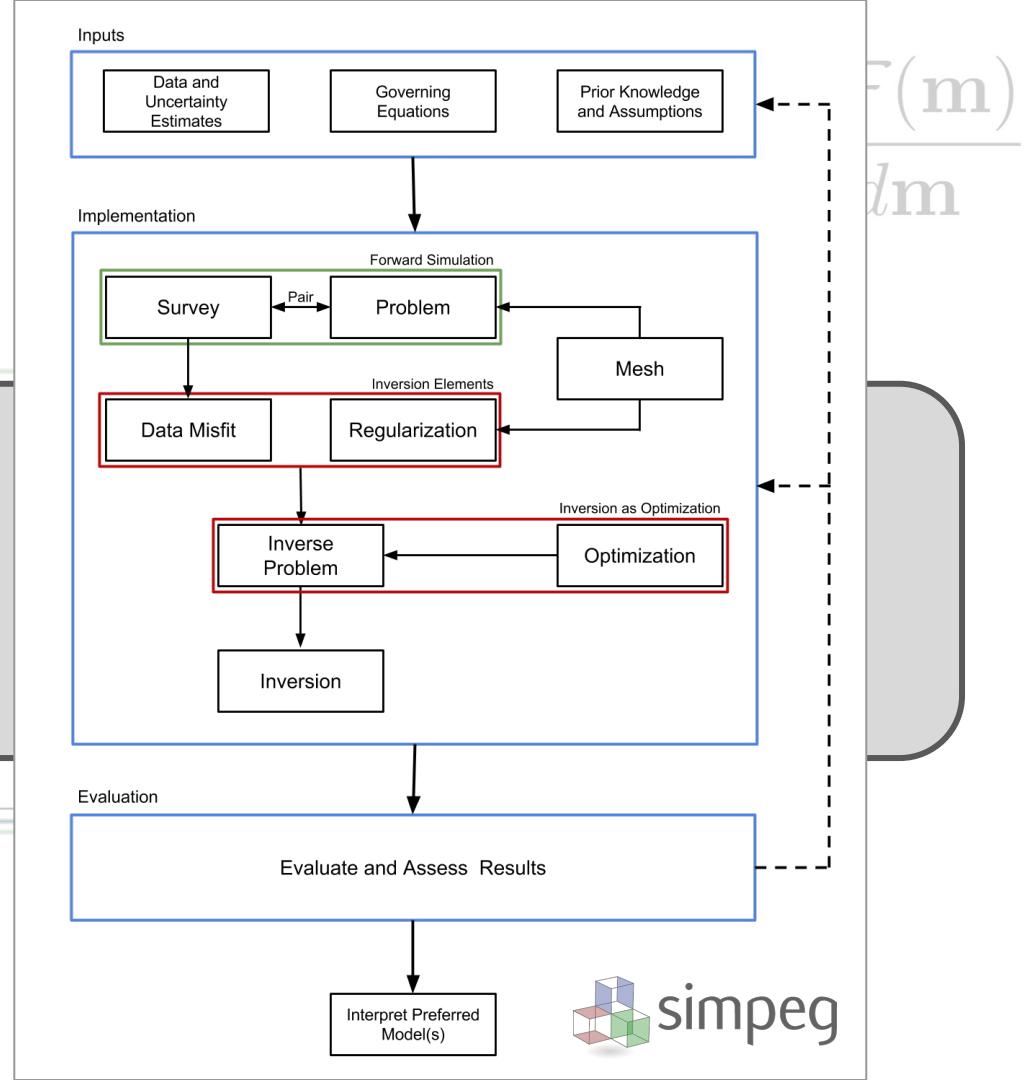
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Package	State
SimPEG	✓
simpegEM	↻
simpegMT	↻
simpegFLOW	🧪
simpegDC	⚠️
simpegPF	⚠️
simpegSEIS	🔧
simpegGPR	🔧

Documentation

A screenshot of the SimPEG documentation website. It features a dark sidebar with a blue header bar at the top containing the "SimPEG" logo and a search bar. The sidebar includes links for "Why SimPEG?", "License", "Authors", "Projects Using SimPEG", "Installation", "SimPEG Meshes", and "Differential Operators". At the bottom of the sidebar is a "Read the Docs" button. The main content area has a light background and displays the "SimPEG Documentation" title, the SimPEG logo (a 3D cube composed of colored faces), and the subtitle "SimPEG: Simulation and Parameter Estimation in Geophysics".

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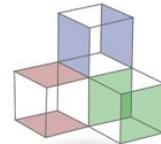
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Simulation and Parameter Estimation in Geophysics

An open source python package for simulation and gradient based parameter estimation in geophysical applications.

Installation

The easiest way to install SimPEG is from PyPI, using pip:

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> pip install SimPEG
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Read more detailed installations instructions in the [documentation](#).

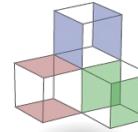
Get the source code at [Github](#).

Thank You!

Questions?

Other Presentations!

- Wed 4:15 - SimPEG
 - Rowan Cockett
- Wed 4:20 - Time Domain IP
 - Seogi Kang
- Fri 8-12 - Simulations & Education
 - Lindsey Heagy



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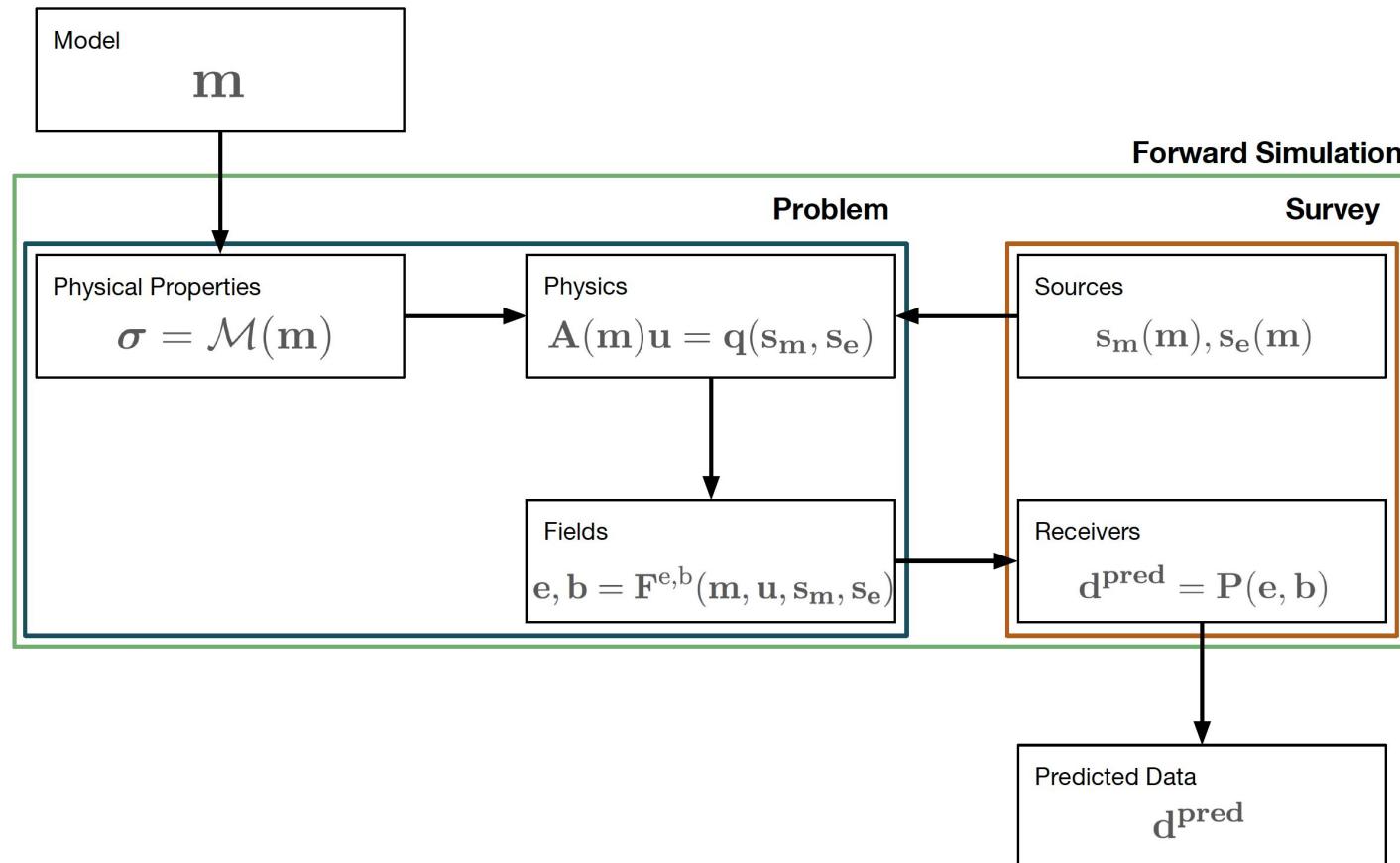


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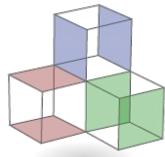
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Testing



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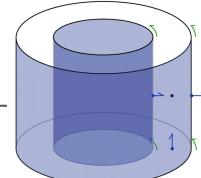
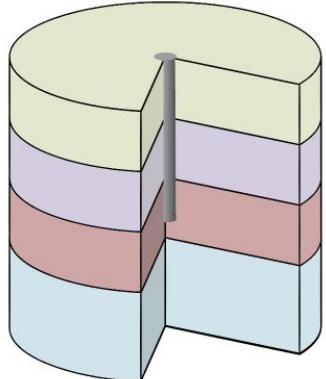
Primary

Estimate: $\sigma_p \mu_p$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_p + i\omega \mathbf{B}_p = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mu_p^{-1} \mathbf{B}_p - \sigma_p \mathbf{E}_p = \mathbf{q}$$

Solve for: $\mathbf{E}_p \mathbf{B}_p$



Interpolate to
compute source

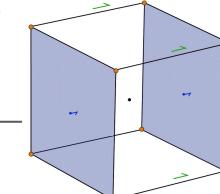
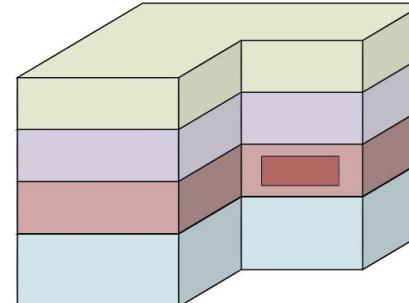
Secondary

Invert for 3D conductivity : σ

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_s + i\omega \mathbf{B}_s = 0$$

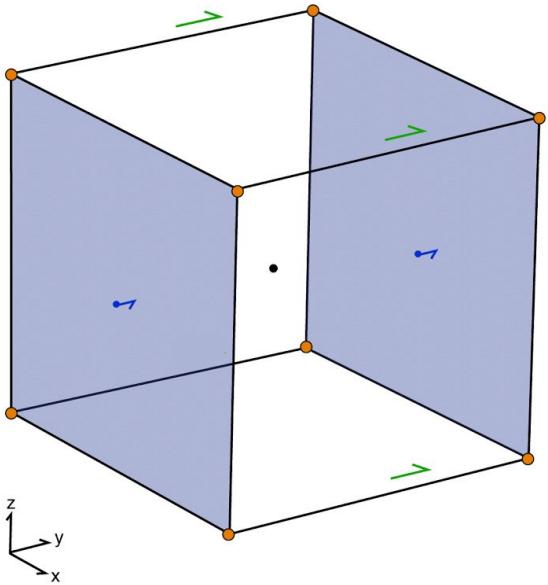
$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \mathbf{B}_s - \sigma \mathbf{E}_s = \tilde{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{q}} = (\sigma - \sigma_p) \mathbf{E}_p$$



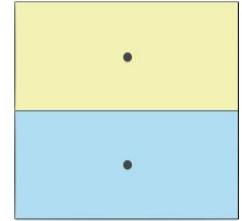
Model
dependence
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Finite Volume Forward Modelling

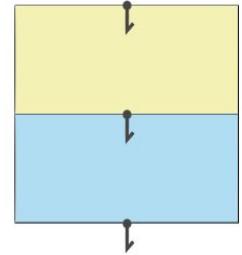


- Cell Center
- Node
- Edge
- Cell Face

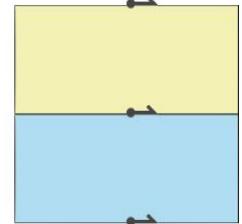
- Physical Properties
 - σ electrical conductivity
 - μ magnetic permeability



- Fluxes
 - \mathbf{J} current density
 - \mathbf{B} magnetic flux density



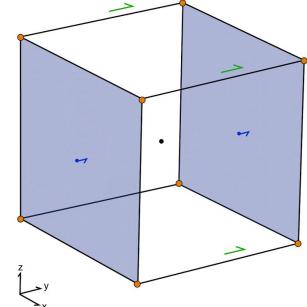
- Fields
 - \mathbf{E} electric field
 - \mathbf{H} magnetic field



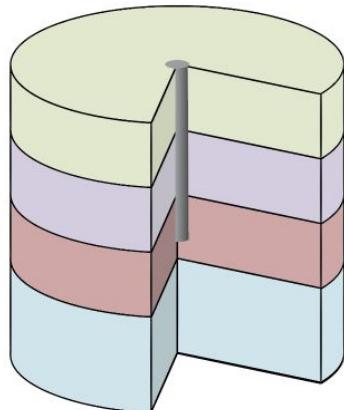
Steel casing in EM

Motivation: How do we characterize 3D conductivity distributions in settings with steel cased wells?

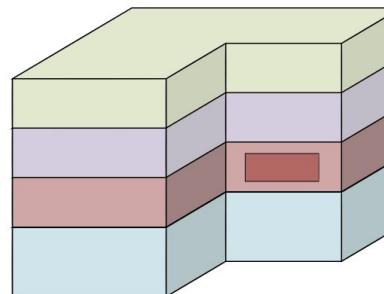
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} + i\omega \mathbf{B} = 0$$
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} - \mathbf{J} = \mathbf{q}$$



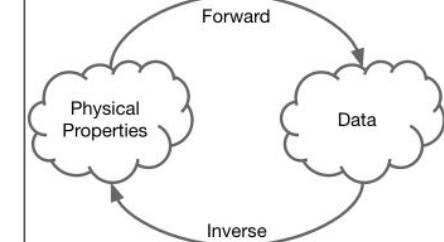
Modelling Maxwell's equations



Modelling the Casing



Modelling 3D geology

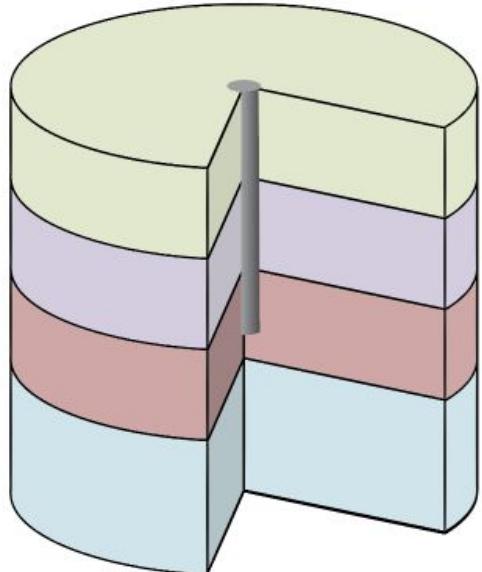


Approaching the inverse problem

Modelling with 3D geology: Primary Secondary

Primary: $\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_p + i\omega \mathbf{B}_p = 0$

$$\nabla \times \mu_p^{-1} \mathbf{B}_p - \sigma_p \mathbf{E}_p = \mathbf{q}$$



Casing & Source, Layered Earth

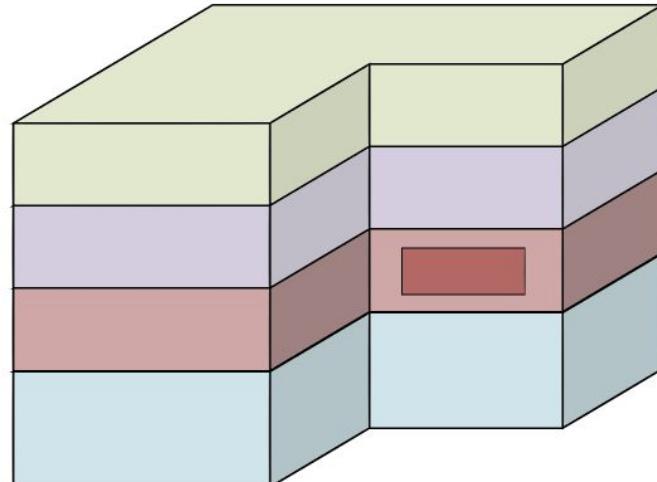
Secondary:

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E}_s + i\omega \mathbf{B}_s = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \mathbf{B}_s - \sigma \mathbf{E}_s = \tilde{\mathbf{q}}$$

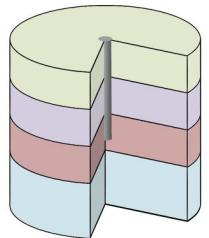
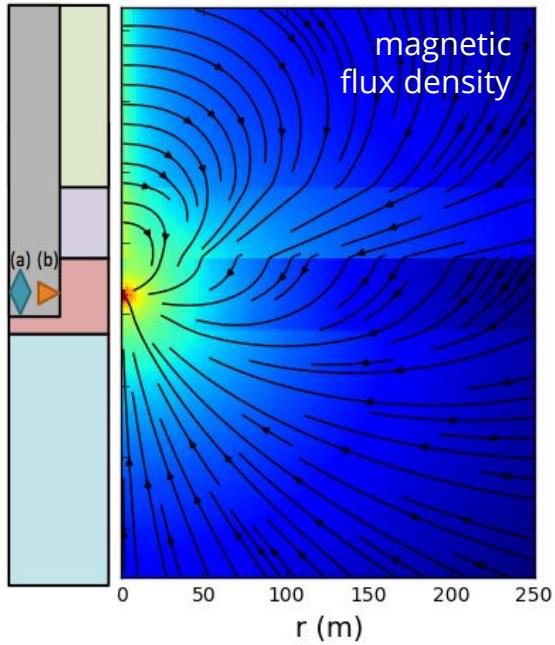
$$\tilde{\mathbf{q}} = -(\nabla \times (\mu^{-1} - \mu_p^{-1}) \mathbf{B}_p - (\sigma - \sigma_p) \mathbf{E}_p)$$

Interpolate

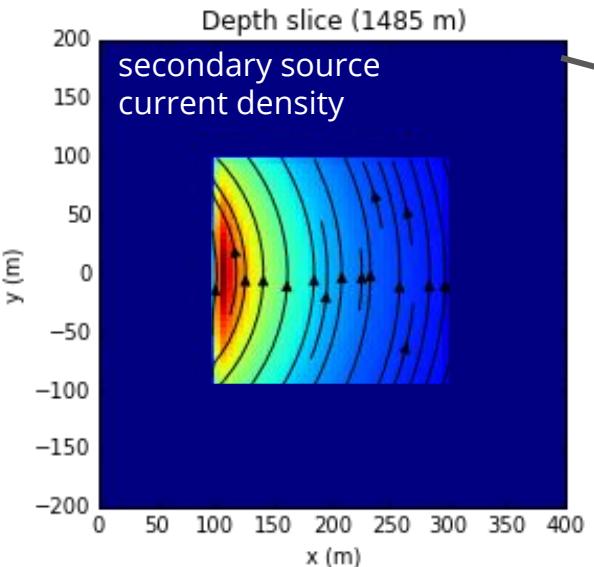


Fields from casing, 3D Earth

(c)

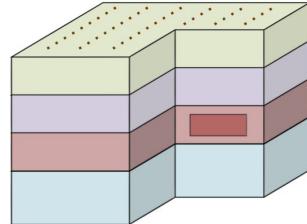
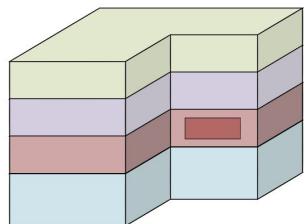
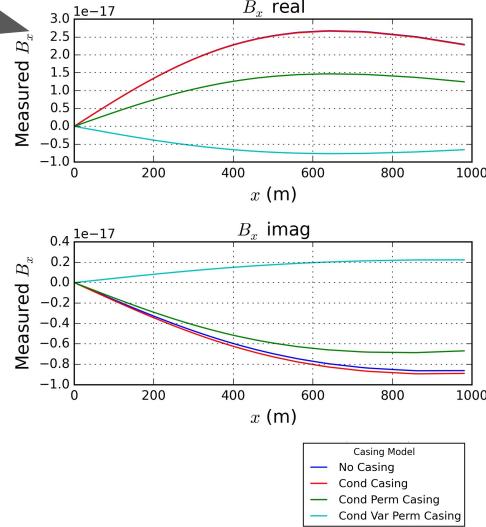


3D Geology

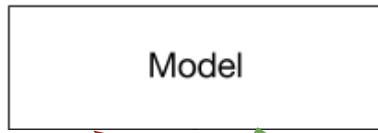
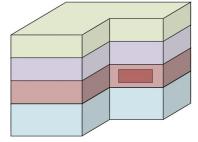


Simulate

Data



- Casing Model
- No Casing (blue line)
- Cond Casing (red line)
- Cond Perm Casing (green line)
- Cond Var Perm Casing (cyan line)



$$\mathbf{d}^{\text{pred}} = \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})$$
$$\mathbf{J} = \frac{d\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{m})}{d\mathbf{m}}$$

Forward

Inverse

