#### Inverse Theory





#### Inversion



## Forward problem



- Symbolically: F[m] = d
  - F[m] : forward modelling operator
  - m : physical property
  - d : simulated data
- Two cases for mapping:
  - Linear:  $F[c_1m + c_2m] = c_1F[m] + c_2F[m]$
  - Nonlinear: equality does not hold

## Linear problem

$$d_j = \int_v g_j(x)m(x)dx$$

–  $d_j$ : j-th datum

- $g_j$ : kernel function for j-th datum
- -m: model



Evaluate product:  $d_j = \mathbf{g} \cdot \mathbf{m} = 4.89$ 

#### The linear problem can be in higher dimensions



• Or magnetics

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$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \int_V \nabla \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_o|} \cdot \kappa \mathbf{H}_0 dv, \qquad \kappa(x, y, z) \text{ is 3D susceptibility}$$

## Solving the forward problem: linear

$$d_j = \int_v g_j(x)m(x)dx$$

• Discretize the earth



• Evaluate:  $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{m}$ 

## Nonlinear problem

$$F[m] = d$$

- $F[\cdot]$ : Maxwell's operator
  - DC
  - Time domain
  - Frequency domain
  - 1D, 2D, 3D
- Examples

- DC: 
$$\nabla \cdot \sigma \nabla V = I_0 \delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_s)$$

- or EM: 
$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \times \mathbf{e} + \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{e}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial t}$$



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- Solve
  - Discretize Maxwell's equations onto a mesh

 $\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \times \mathbf{e} + \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{e}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial t}$ 

- Solve system to find fields (e.g. V, e)
- Evaluate Datum: d = f[V] or  $d = f[\mathbf{e}]$
- Lot of details
  - size of cells
  - size of mesh



## Linear inversion app (demo)

- It will help us
  - Develop a model
  - Consider kernels
  - Generate data
- Model: m(x)
- Kernels (physics):  $g_j(x) = e^{jpx} cos(2\pi jqx)$
- Data:

$$d_j = \int_v g_j(x)m(x)dx$$

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| dm1  |                         | 0.20         |         |              |
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## Models with the app (demo)

- Start with 1D model
  - Conductivity changes with depth
- In the app this is here:





# Analogy with 1D frequency domain EM

- FDEM system (Resolve)
- Signals: sinusoids at 5 frequencies
- Penetration depth depends upon frequency
- Measurements are fields from buried conductors



$$\delta = 503 \sqrt{rac{
ho}{f}}$$

#### Resolve system (2008)





HCP frequencies: 382, 1822, 7970, 35920 and 130100 Hz

## Kernels with the app (demo)

• Kernels for FEM are decaying sinusoids

$$g_j(x) = e^{jpx} \cos(2\pi jqx)$$

- How many kernels for FEM?
  - MAXMIN: 8 or 10 frequencies, in-phase & quadrature
  - Resolve: In-phase & quad, 5 frequencies



# Discretize the app's data and kernels

- Datum is defined as:  $d_i = \int_0^1 g_i(x)m(x)dx$
- For discretized model:

 $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_M)$ 

$$d_{i} = \int_{0}^{X_{1}} g_{i}(x)m_{1}dx + \int_{X_{1}}^{X_{2}} g_{i}(x)m_{2}dx + \dots$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{M} \left(\int g_{i}(x)dx\right)m_{j}$$



• In matrix form:  $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{Gm}$ 

**G**:  $(N \times M)$  matrix **d**:  $(N \times 1)$  vector **m**:  $(M \times 1)$  vector

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• Data in the app:  $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{m}$ 



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### Inversion



## Inverse problem

- Observed data:  $d_i^{obs}, j = 1, 2, ..., N$
- Uncertainty:  $\epsilon_j$
- Ability to simulate data: F[m] = d
- Find the model which fits the observation



• For linear problem:

 $\mathbf{Gm} = \mathbf{d}$ 

$$\mathbf{m} \in \mathcal{R}^{M} \\ \mathbf{d} \in \mathcal{R}^{N} \\ \mathbf{G} \in \mathcal{R}^{N \times M}$$

M > N

more unknowns than data (underdetermined system)

## Inversion using Misfit criterion

| Forward modelling | $\mathbf{Gm} = \mathbf{d}$                              |
|-------------------|---|
| Data              | $\mathbf{d}^{obs} = \mathbf{d} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ |
| Noise             | $\epsilon$  |

- Gaussian errors with standard deviation,  $\epsilon_j$
- Misfit measure:  $\phi_d = \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{d_j d_j^{obs}}{\epsilon_j}\right)^2$
- Expected value of  $\phi_d$  is  $E[\phi_d] = N$
- Data are fit when  $\phi_d \simeq \phi_d^*$   $\phi_d^*$ : target misfit  $\phi_d^* = N$

### Inversion with misfit only



$$\phi_d = \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\frac{d_j - d_j^{obs}}{\epsilon_j}\right)^2$$

# Inversion app (demo)

- Use accurate data and show the effects of reducing the data misfit (set  $\alpha_s$ =2e-12)
- Add a bit of noise and repeat the process.



## Acceptable models and non-uniqueness

- There are infinitely many models that could generate the data
- Why?
  - # of model parameters (M) > # of data (N)
  - Physics based non-uniqueness
    - Conductance (magnetotelluric)
    - Resistivity-thickness product (DC)
    - Equivalent layer (magnetics)
    - ...



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# The basic problem of non-uniqueness

- Each datum is a *volumetric* response
- Data are

$$d_i = \sum_{j=1}^M G_{ij} m_j$$

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 $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{Gm} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{G} : (N \times M)$ 

- In the app
  - M=100
  - N=20
  - So, M>N (underdetermined problem)  $\rightarrow$  infinitely many solutions

## Questions to consider

- Consider the simple problem that involves two unknowns: *x* and *y* 
  - We have one datum: x + y = 2
- What is the value of *x* and *y*?
  - (1,1)
  - (2,0)

. . . .

satisfies x+y=2 5 4 3  $\geq$ 2 1 0  $^{-1}$ -2 2 0 Х

Any point here

How to pick one of infinitely many solutions?

Use prior knowledge

- Geophysical:
  - Values are positive, and/or within bounds
  - Physical Properties: Estimates for host rock properties
  - Point-location values from drill hole information
- Logical:
  - Find a "simple" result (as featureless as possible)
- Geologic:
  - Character of the model (smooth, sparse, blocky)
  - Some idea of scale length (or size) of the bodies
  - Structural constraints

## Using prior information to choose optimal models

- Recall we are building an automated decision-making scheme
- Encode prior knowledge in a form that can be optimized
- *i.e.* build a mathematical ruler to test sizes of possible models, then choose the "smallest"
- The people-in-the-room analogy



## Feasible model norms

- What "measures on the model" can be implemented?
  - "Size of the model"
  - "Flatness of the model"
- Consider the 4-parameter problem:
  - 4 unknowns: (m<sub>1</sub>, m<sub>2</sub>, m<sub>3</sub>, m<sub>4</sub>)
  - 2 data: (6, 2)

$$m_1 + 2m_2 - m_3 + m_4 = 6$$
$$-m_1 + m_2 + 2m_3 - m_4 = 2$$

- It is underdetermined problem, so there is no unique solution
- For possibilities work as well as more...

$$\mathbf{m}^{A} = (2.000, 2.000, 2.000, 2.000)$$
$$\mathbf{m}^{B} = (0.444, 2.622, 0.133, 0.444)$$
$$\mathbf{m}^{C} = (-2.408, 2.630, 0.109, 3.256)$$
$$\mathbf{m}^{D} = (2.002, 2.846, -0.537, -2.239)$$

## Choosing from many solutions

- Define a ruler to measure the model, and call it  $\phi_m$
- Values of the model can be plotted
- What norms or rulers are sensible?
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  - Smallness: sum of squares



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- Norm #2:
  - Smoothness: differences between adjacent model values

$$\phi_m = \|\frac{d\mathbf{m}}{d\mathbf{x}}\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^3 (m_{j+1} - m_j^2)$$



Model element

#### Numerical examples

Use smallest model norm

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 $\mathbf{m}^{A} = (2.000, 2.000, 2.000, 2.000) \quad \phi_{m}^{A} = 16.00$   $\rightarrow \mathbf{m}^{B} = (0.444, 2.622, 0.133, 0.444) \quad \phi_{m}^{B} = 7.29$   $\mathbf{m}^{C} = (-2.408, 2.630, 0.109, 3.256) \quad \phi_{m}^{C} = 23.33$  $\mathbf{m}^{D} = (2.002, 2.846, -0.537, -2.239) \quad \phi_{m}^{D} = 17.41$ 



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Use smoothest model norm

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### Model norms

Smallest model:

$$\phi_m = \int m^2 dx$$

Smallest with reference:

$$\phi_m = \int (m - m_{ref})^2 dx$$
$$\phi_m = \int \left(\frac{dm}{dt}\right)^2 dx$$

Smoothest model:

$$\phi_m = \int \left(\frac{dm}{dx}\right)^2 dx$$

 $\phi_m = \alpha_s \int (m - m_{ref})^2 dx + \alpha_x \int \left(\frac{dm}{dx}\right)^2 dx$ Combination:

 $\phi_m = \alpha_s \|\mathbf{W}_s(\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{ref})\|_2^2 + \alpha_x \|\mathbf{W}_x(\mathbf{m})\|_2^2$ Discretize:

# Combining misfit and model norm

- A statement of the inverse problem is:
   Find the model *m* that
  - produces an acceptable misfit (  $\phi_d < \phi_d^*$  )
  - minimizes the model norm,  $\phi_m$
- Re-cast as an optimization:

minimize  $\phi_d + \beta \phi_m$ where  $0 < \beta < \infty$ 

•  $\beta$  : trade-off (Tikhonov) parameter

# The role of $\beta$

Analogy: an optimization problem with two requirements

- Travelling from A to B
  - minimize **time** taken
  - minimize fuel consumption
- $\phi = \operatorname{time} + \beta \cdot \operatorname{fuel}$ 
  - both time and fuel consumption are functions of speed
- $\beta = 0$  : minimize time (regardless of fuel)
- large  $\beta$ : minimize fuel (but still get there)





# The role of $\beta$

- A typical problem might be:
  - Minimize fuel consumption
  - Subject to getting there in 16 hours




# The role of $\beta$ : managing misfit

- Our inverse problem
  - Find the model (m)

minimize 
$$\phi_d + \beta \phi_m$$

- Which beta to use?
- If standard deviations of data are known,

$$E[\phi_d] = N$$



- Desired misfit is  $\phi_d^* \simeq N$ 

– Choose 
$$\beta$$
 so that  $\phi_d(m) = \phi_d^*$ 



## Inversion App (demo)





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- $\beta$  just right ( $\phi_d(m) \simeq N$ )  $\rightarrow$  optimal fit





### Flow chart for inverse problem



• Model and discretization

$$\mathbf{m} = (m_1, m_2, ..., m_M)$$

Physical property (e.g. conductivity)



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- Most geophysical problems are non-linear
  - DC resistivity
  - EM
  - MT
  - ...

## DC resistivity







### DC resistivity: non-uniqueness

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# Airborne EM: Tli Kwi Cho (TKC) kimerlites



#### **DIGHEM (1992)**

| Configuration | HCP         |
|---------------|-------------|
| Frequency     | 900Hz-56kHz |
| Data unit     | ppm         |
| Line spacing  | 200 m       |
| Line km       | 52 km       |
| # of sounding | 6274        |

#### VTEM (2003)

| Configuration    | Colocated-loop      |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Off time channel | 90-6340 (µs)        |
| Data unit        | pV/A-m <sup>4</sup> |
| Line spacing     | 75 m                |
| Line km          | 39 km               |
| # of sounding    | 26342               |

### **Basic Equations**

|                                   | Time   | Frequency FDEM   |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Faraday's<br>Law                  | $\nabla \times \mathbf{e} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial t}$           | $ abla 	imes {f E} = -i\omega {f B}$                       |
| Ampere's<br>Law                   | $ abla 	imes \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{d}}{\partial t}$ | $ abla 	imes \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J} + i\omega \mathbf{D}$ |
| No Magnetic<br>Monopoles          | $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$  | $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$                              |
| Constitutivo                      | $\mathbf{j} = \sigma \mathbf{e}$   | $\mathbf{J}=\sigma\mathbf{E}$                              |
| Relationships<br>(non-dispersive) | $\mathbf{b}=\mu\mathbf{h}$   | $\mathbf{B}=\mu\mathbf{H}$                                 |
|                                   | $\mathbf{d} = \varepsilon \mathbf{e}$  | $\mathbf{D} = \varepsilon \mathbf{E}$                      |

\* Solve with sources and boundary conditions

# Why difficult: Forward Problem

- Discretize in frequency or time
- Discretize in space: (1D vs 3D)
- Solve system of equations
- Many transmitters

| Time  |   |
|---|---|
| $ abla 	imes {f e} = -  rac{\partial {f b}}{\partial t}$                     | $ abla 	imes {f E} = -i\omega {f B}$        |
| $ abla 	imes \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{j} + rac{\partial \mathbf{d}}{\partial t}$ | $ abla 	imes {f H} = {f J} + i\omega {f D}$ |
| $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$   | $ abla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$                |
| $\mathbf{j} = \sigma \mathbf{e}$  | $\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$            |
| $\mathbf{b}=\mu\mathbf{h}$  | ${f B}=\mu {f H}$                           |
| $\mathbf{d} = \varepsilon \mathbf{e}$   | $\mathbf{D} = arepsilon \mathbf{E}$         |



## Time Domain: Mathematical Setup

 $\partial \mathbf{G}$ 

Maxwell's equations
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{e} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial t} = 0$$
  
 $\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \mathbf{b} - \sigma \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{s}(t)$  $\mathbf{\Omega}$   
time:  $[0, t_f]$ Boundary conditions $\mathbf{n} \times \mathbf{b} = 0$ time:  $[0, t_f]$ Initial conditions $\mathbf{e}(x, y, z, t = 0) = \mathbf{e}_0$   
 $\mathbf{b}(x, y, z, t = 0) = \mathbf{b}_0$ 

Need to solve in space and time

### Semi-discretization in space

Staggered Grid

- Physical properties: cell centers
- Fields: edges
- Fluxes: faces

Continuous second-order equations

$$\nabla \times \mu^{-1} \nabla \times \mathbf{e} + \sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{e}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial t}$$

Semi-discretized second order equations

$$\mathbf{C}^{\top}\mathbf{M}_{\mu^{-1}}^{f}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{M}_{\sigma}^{e}\frac{\partial\mathbf{e}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial\mathbf{s}}{\partial t}$$



## Discretizing in time

First order backwards difference (implicit)

•  $\mathbf{e}^{n+1}$  depends upon  $\mathbf{e}^n$ 

$$\mathbf{C}^{\top}\mathbf{M}_{\mu^{-1}}^{f}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{e} + \mathbf{M}_{\sigma}^{e}\frac{\partial\mathbf{e}}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial\mathbf{s}}{\partial t}$$

• Time-step:  $\Delta t = t_{n+1} - t_n$  $\left( \mathbf{C}^{\top} \mathbf{M}_{\mu^{-1}}^f \mathbf{C} + \frac{1}{\Delta t} \mathbf{M}_{\sigma}^e \right) \mathbf{e}^{n+1} = -\frac{\mathbf{s}^{n+1} - \mathbf{s}^n}{\Delta t} + \frac{1}{\Delta t} \mathbf{M}_{\sigma}^e \mathbf{e}^n$ 

$$\mathbf{A}_{n+1}\mathbf{u}_{n+1} = -\mathbf{B}_n\mathbf{u}_n + \mathbf{q}_{n+1}$$

Solve system at each time step

Factor 
$$\mathbf{A}_{n+1} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^{ op}$$

# Solving a TDEM Problem

Solve with forward elimination

- Initial conditions provide  $\mathbf{u}_0$ ullet
- To propagate forward, solve  $\mathbf{A}_{n+1}\mathbf{u}_{n+1} = -\mathbf{B}_n\mathbf{u}_n + \mathbf{q}_{n+1}$

Some details of solving system

- Refactor only if  $\mathbf{A}_{n+1}(\sigma, \Delta t)$  changes
- Divide modelling time into *P* partitions ullet



Total computation time:

$$T = P(N_{\Delta t}N_{TX}t_{\text{solve}} + t_{\text{factor}})$$
Time to factor system

lime to solve factored system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A}_0 & & & & \\ \mathbf{B}_1 & \mathbf{A}_1 & & & \\ & \mathbf{B}_2 & \mathbf{A}_2 & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & \mathbf{B}_{n-1} & \mathbf{A}_{n-1} \\ & & & & \mathbf{B}_n & \mathbf{A}_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_0 \\ \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_{n-1} \\ \mathbf{u}_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{q}_0 \\ \mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{q}_{n-1} \\ \mathbf{q}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

That was challenging... What about the inverse problem?

### Flow chart for inverse problem



### Inverse problem

• Minimize

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}) = \phi_d(\mathbf{m}) + \beta \phi_m(\mathbf{m})$$

subject to  $\mathbf{m}_{lower} < \mathbf{m} < \mathbf{m}_{upper}$ 

Data misfit  

$$\phi_d(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{W}_d(F[\mathbf{m}] - \mathbf{d}_{obs})||_2^2.$$
Regularization  

$$\phi_m(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} ||\mathbf{W}_m(\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{ref})||_2^2.$$
Tikhonov curve

 $\phi_m$ 

### Gauss-Newton approach

• Inverse problem

$$\begin{split} \min_{\mathbf{m}} \phi(\mathbf{m}) &= \phi_d(\mathbf{m}) + \beta \phi_m(\mathbf{m}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \| \mathbf{W}_d(F[\mathbf{m}]) - \mathbf{d}^{obs} \|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \| \mathbf{W}_m(\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{ref}) \|^2 \end{split}$$

• Gradient

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{m}) = \mathbf{J}^{\top} \mathbf{W}_{d}^{\top} \mathbf{W}_{d}(F[\mathbf{m}] - \mathbf{d}^{obs}) + \beta \mathbf{W}_{m}^{\top} \mathbf{W}_{m}(\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{ref})$$

- Taylor expand: Gauss Newton equation  $(\mathbf{J}^{\top}\mathbf{W}_{d}^{\top}\mathbf{W}_{d}\mathbf{J} + \beta\mathbf{W}_{m}^{\top}\mathbf{W}_{m})\delta\mathbf{m} = -\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{m})$
- Use inexact PCG to solve for model update (N<sub>CG</sub> iterations)  $\mathbf{m}_{k+1} = \mathbf{m}_k + \delta \mathbf{m}$

Number of forward modellings:  $2(N_{CG}+1) \sim 20$ 

Gauss-Newton approach  

$$\begin{split} \min_{\mathbf{m}} \phi(\mathbf{m}) &= \phi_d(\mathbf{m}) + \beta \phi_m(\mathbf{m}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \| \mathbf{W}_d(F[\mathbf{m}]) - \mathbf{d}^{obs} \|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \| \mathbf{W}_m(\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{ref}) \|^2 \end{split}$$

Choose  $\beta_{\text{0}}\text{,}\text{m}_{\text{ref}}$ Evaluate  $\phi(\mathbf{m}_{ref})$ ,  $g(\mathbf{m}_{ref})$ , matrices  $W_d$ , W... for i in range([0, max beta iter]): for k in range([0, max inner iterations]): • IPCG to solve  $(\mathbf{J}^{\top}\mathbf{W}_{d}^{\top}\mathbf{W}_{d}\mathbf{J} + \beta\mathbf{W}_{m}^{\top}\mathbf{W}_{m})\delta\mathbf{m} = -\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{m})$ • line search for step length  $\alpha$ • Update model  $\mathbf{m}_{k+1} = \mathbf{m}_k + lpha \delta \mathbf{m}$ • Exit if  $\phi < \phi_d^*$  or  $\frac{\|\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{m}_{k+1})\|}{\|\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{m}_k)\|} < \mathrm{tol}$ Reduce  $\beta$ 

# Tally up the computations

| Number of transmitters  | 1000 |
|-------------------------|------|
| Number of time steps    | 50   |
| Solving a GN step       | 20   |
| Number of GN iterations | 20   |

- Total number of Maxwell solutions is 20,000,000
- Suppose: t<sub>factor</sub>=1 sec
  - 100 processors: 55 hours
  - 1000 processors 5.5 hours

Need:

- Fast forward modelling
- Multiple cpu

## Mesh

- Trade off (accuracy vs. computation)
- Consider a 3D airborne EM simulation (1000 sources)
  - Octree mesh



How do we tackle this?

> 1,000,000 cells (this is big!)

### Mesh decomposition

• Separate forward modelling mesh for each transmitter

Global mesh



Local mesh



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### Advances

- Direct solvers (factor Maxwell operator)
- Semi-structured meshes (OcTree, reduce the # of variables)
- Separating forward and inverse meshes
- Handling the sensitivity matrix
- Access to multi-cores


## Example 3D inversion (TKC)



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## MT Tutorials



## End of Inverse Theory

