

## Education

- ▶ Ph.D. Candidate, Rice University, Houston, TX, USA, 08/2010 - Present
  - ▶ Dissertation Topic: Nonlinear Extended Waveform Inversion
  - ▶ M.A. with Master Thesis: " Transparency property of one dimensional acoustic wave equations"
  - ▶ Relevant courses: Numerical Differential Equations; Optimization; High Performance Computing; Geophysical Data Analysis
- ▶ M.S, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China, 09/2006 - 03/2009
  - ▶ Dissertation topic: Comparision of many numerical methods for saddle point system arising from the mixed finite element method of elliptic problems with nonsmooth coefficients

## Research Interests

- ▶ Seismic waveform inversion
- ▶ Forward and inverse problems for non-homogeneous medium
- ▶ High performace computing

# Linearized Extended Waveform Inversion: Reduced Objective Function and Its Gradient

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# Reduced Objective Function

The value of the reduced objective function is the minimum value of  $J$  for fixed  $m_I$

$$\tilde{J}[m_I] = \min_{\delta \bar{m}} J[m_I, \delta \bar{m}].$$

Let

$$N[m_I] = D\bar{F}[m_I]^T D\bar{F}[m_I] + \alpha^2 A^T A$$

Minimizer of  $J$

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# Restarting Chebyshev iteration

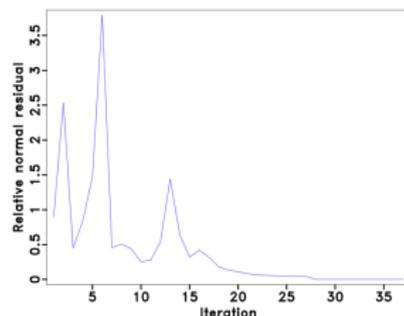
Simple scheme:

- ▶ Compute no. of iterations  $k$  and Chebyshev coefficients
- ▶ Initialize the iteration, compute Rayleigh Quotient (RQ) to get spectrum bound  $\lambda$
- ▶ Run Chebyshev iteration until
  - ▶ Get bigger  $\lambda$ , restart Chebyshev
  - ▶ Or run  $k$  steps and return.

NOTE: Performance depends on condition number. Good preconditioner is needed.

Implementation is available in RVL.

Restarting curve for depth-oriented extended waveform inversion (Liu et al. 2013).



# Summary

## Reduced objective function

- ▶ Smooth in long scale model
- ▶  $D^2 \bar{F}[m_I]^T$  of extended acoustic constant density forward operator
- ▶ Gradient
- ▶ Correction term to the gradient

## Chebyshev iteration

- ▶ Better than CG for operator with moderate condition number and uniformly distributed spectrum
- ▶ Restarting scheme for operators without prior information of spectrum
- ▶ Available in RVL

# Future work

## Short term

- ▶ Fill in detailed mathematical analysis
- ▶ Find good preconditioner for shot-coordinate extension

## Long term

- ▶ Extend to nonlinear waveform inversion (D. Sun's PhD thesis)

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