

# Supplement to “Probabilistic seismic source inversion II - Modelling errors and station covariances”

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## S1 Resolution power of $\ell^p$ norms vs $D$

To demonstrate the results shown in fig. 4 of the main paper (distance between misfit value for true depth compared to noise in sigma) more intuitively, fig. S1 shows perturbed waveforms and the resulting misfit values for a larger set of signal to noise ratios and modelling errors. The figures are otherwise identical to fig. 3 in the paper.

## S2 Likelihood distribution parameters

### S2.1 $\mu$ and $\sigma$

To estimate the likelihood distribution of new earthquakes, we need to have an analytical fit function of the distribution parameters  $\mu_P, \mu_{SH}, \sigma_P, \sigma_{SH}$  in dependence of SNR. Figure S2 shows the parameters with fit functions  $h(\text{SNR}) = a_1 + a_2 \cdot \exp(-a_3 \cdot \text{SNR})$ . To estimate the goodness of fit, 95% confidence intervals were estimated using the bootstrapping method and added to the figure.

	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$
$\mu_P$	-2.06	0.51	0.031
$\sigma_P$	0.6	-0.093	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$\mu_{SH}$	-1.12	0.28	0.24
$\sigma_{SH}$	6.7	-6.3	$-0.27 \cdot 10^{-3}$

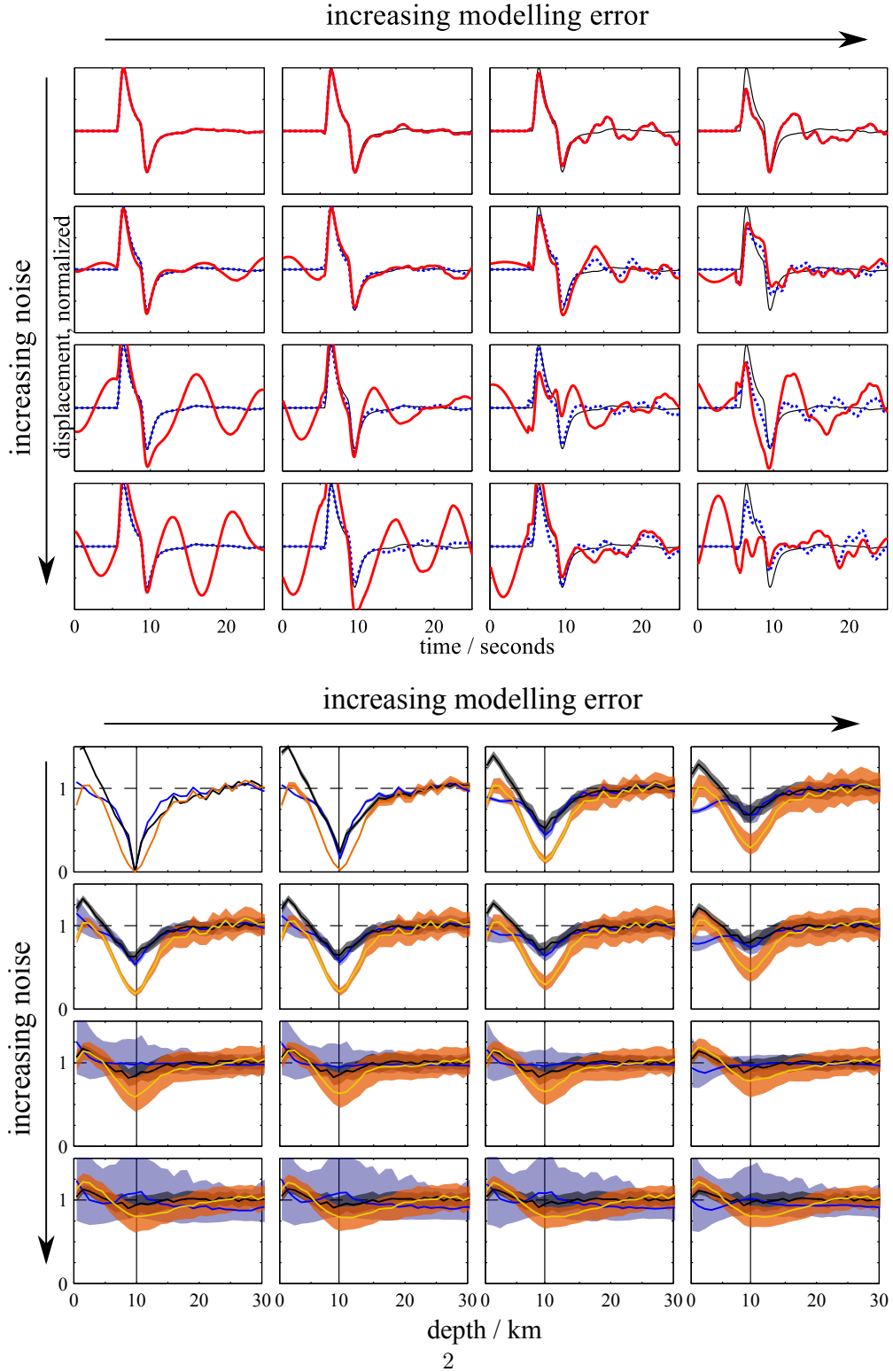


Figure S1: Comparison of the  $\ell^1$ ,  $\ell^2$  norm and the signal decorrelation as misfit criteria in noisy signals, as described in Sect. 2.3 in the main paper. A perturbed synthetic waveform for a 10 km deep earthquake, measured in  $40^\circ$  distance was compared to synthetic seismograms for other depths, using the three misfit criteria. The shaded colours mark the 90% quantiles of the misfit values, calculated by perturbing the reference waveform with different random seeds. The figure shows the relatively high robustness of the cross-correlation coefficient in recognizing reference signals in perturbed measurements. For better visualisation, all misfit values have been normalized separately to have an average values of one between 20 and 30 km.

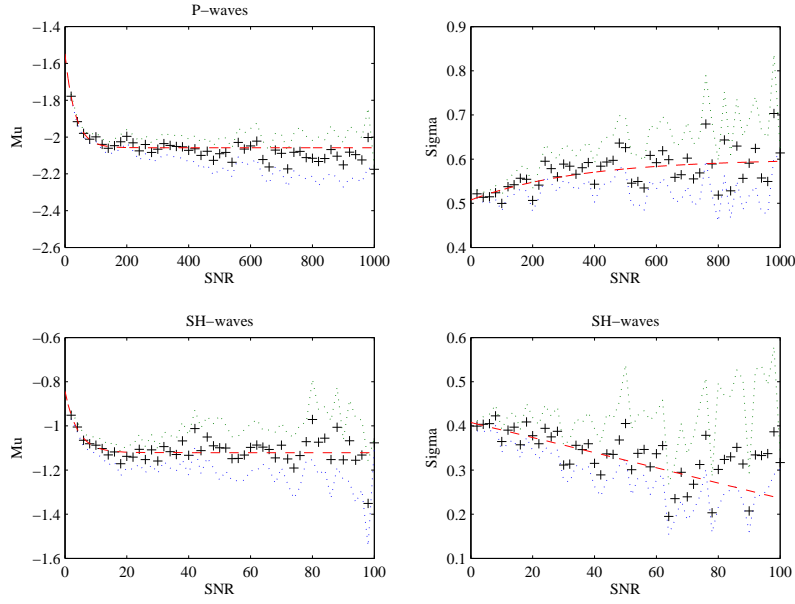


Figure S2: Distribution of parameters  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  for P- (top row) and SH-waveforms (bottom row) with respect to the Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR).  $\mu_P$  is the expectation value for  $\ln(1 - CC_{\max})$  for a waveform with the given SNR, while  $\sigma_P$  is the standard deviation. The values in each SNR bin are compared with the fitting function  $h(\text{SNR}) = a_1 + a_2 \cdot \exp(-a_3 \cdot \text{SNR})$  (red dashed). Parameters  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  are given in table S2.1. The dotted lines show 95% confidence intervals of the parameters estimated by the bootstrapping method.

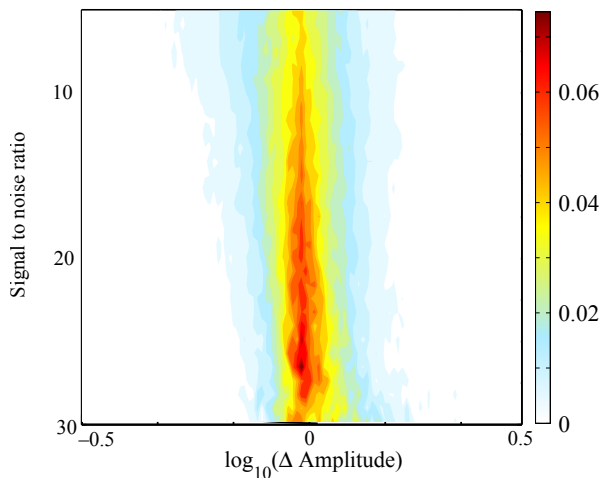


Figure S3: Distribution of amplitude misfits for different signal to noise ratios. Figure is similar to Figure 6 in the paper, but shows the distribution of the amplitude misfit as defined in eq. 28.

## S2.2 Amplitudes

The amplitude misfit follows an exponential distribution  $|\Delta \log_{10}(A)_j - \text{median}(\Delta \log_{10}(A)_j)| \sim \text{Exp}(\gamma)$ , where  $\gamma$  takes the values 0.2 and 0.1 for P and SH respectively. We remove the  $\text{median}(\Delta \log_{10}(A)_j)$  before fitting to account for wrongly determined body wave magnitudes in our database. See figure S3 for an overview of the relationship between signal-to-noise ratio and the distribution of  $\Delta \log_{10}(A)_j$ .

## S3 Inter-station correlation

The inter-station correlation was calculated as described in section 3.4 in the paper. To fit it, the function  $g(\vartheta) = b_1 + b_2 \cdot \exp(-b_3 \cdot \vartheta^2)$  was used, with the following parameters as a result:

$$\frac{r(\vartheta)}{r(\vartheta)} \left| \begin{array}{ccc} b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \\ 0.049 & 0.31 & 2.17 \cdot 10^{-4} \end{array} \right.$$

The fit function follows the values well (see figure 7 in the paper), although there is a non-explained rise from  $160^\circ$  on. We think that this is an artefact of imperfectly determined focal mechanisms. Stations close to a nodal plane of the radiation pattern will be strongly affected by an error in the strike angle. At the same time, this affects stations at the opposite site of the earthquake, with a back-azimuthal difference of  $180^\circ$ . Strike-slip events even have a quadrupole radiation pattern, where errors in the strike parameter will influence stations at  $0^\circ, 90^\circ, 180^\circ$  and  $270^\circ$ . So, if that explanation was true, there should be another peak at  $90^\circ$ , which is lost here.