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Application of adaptive wavelet thresholding to recovery geophysical signal pulse waveforms

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Problem

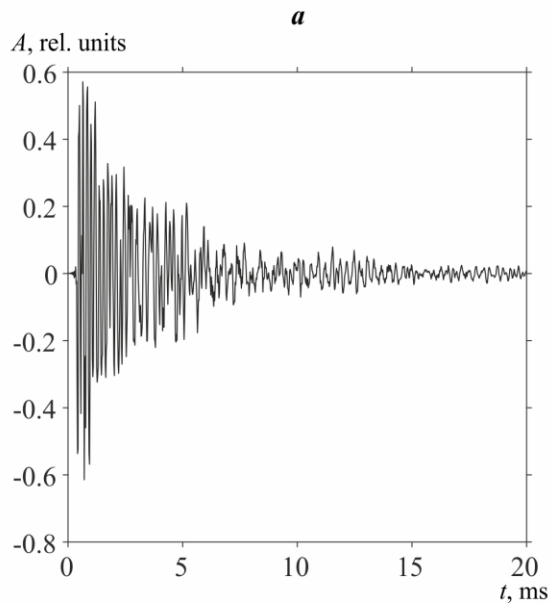
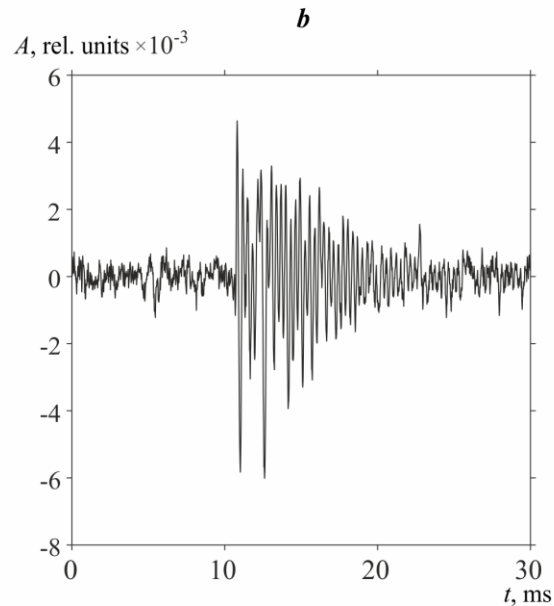


Figure 1. Geoacoustic pulses



Reasons

- ▶ natural noise
- ▶ artificial interference
- ▶ nonlinearity of receive path
- ▶ dynamic range limitations
- ▶ quantization errors
- ▶ primary hardware processing, etc

Estimation of background noise parameters

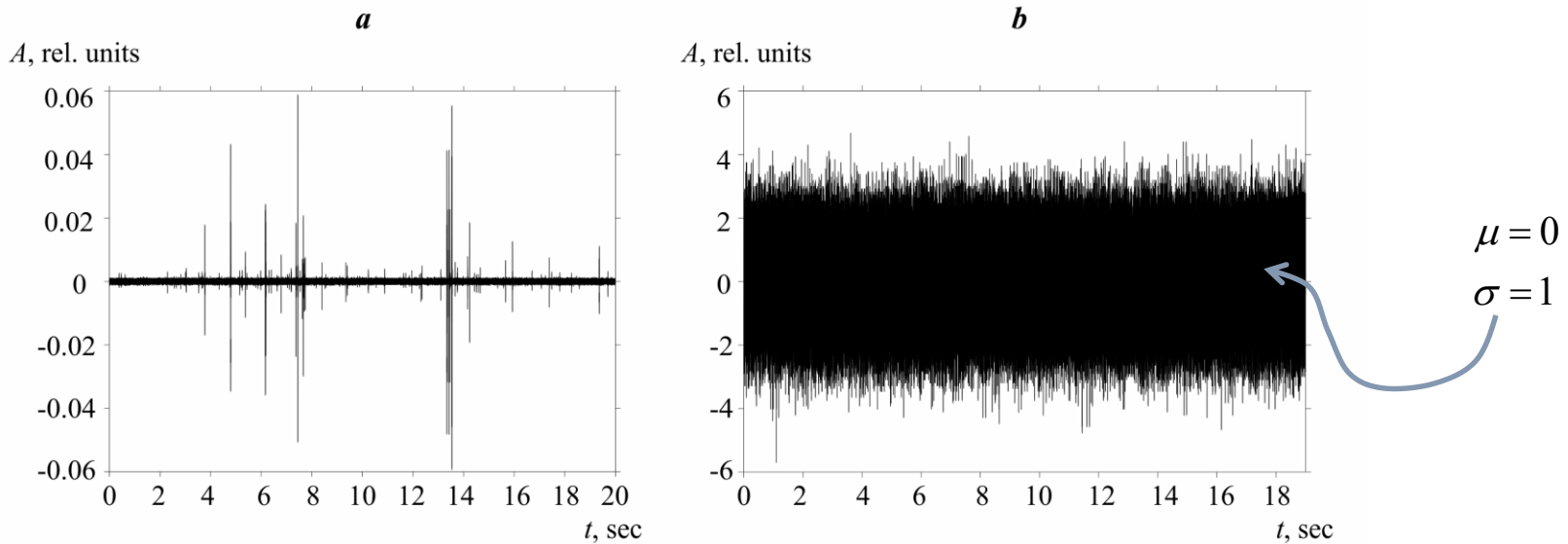


Figure 2. *a* – pulsed signal; *b* – noise

Fragments without pulses were selected from the geoacoustic signal recorded in good weather conditions. This noise signal was scaled and shifted.

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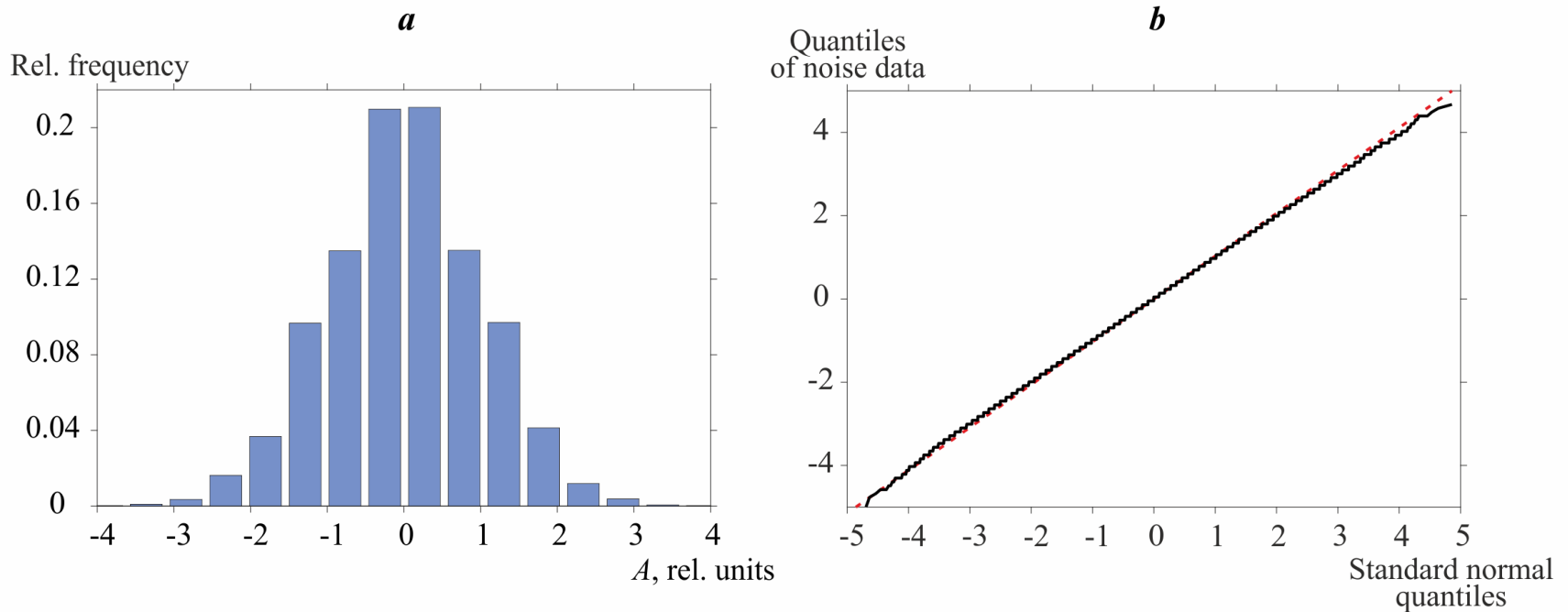


Figure 3. *a* – histogram; *b* – Q-Q plot

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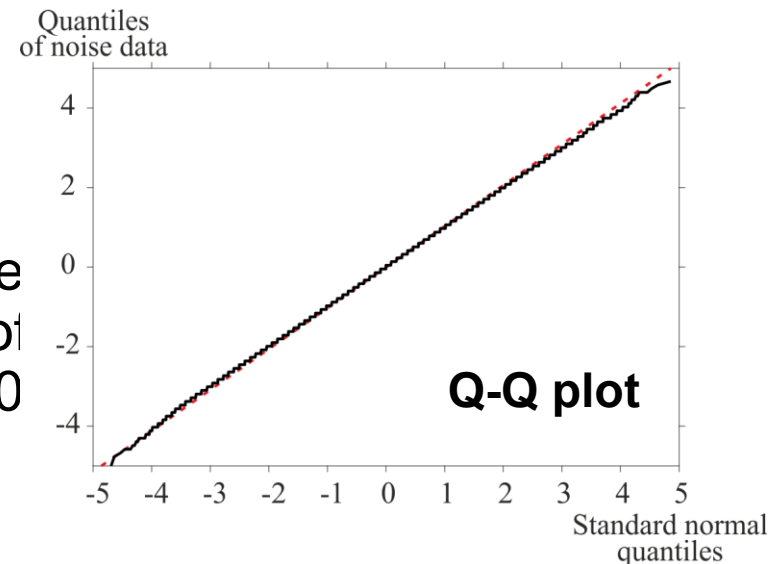
Table 1. Applying various statistical test

Test	Significance level, α	Sample size, N	Accepted hypothesis, H_0 or H_1
Pearson	0.05	500	H_0
		1000	H_0
Anderson–Darling	0.05	500	H_0
		1000	H_1
Lilliefors	0.05	500	H_0
		1000	H_1

H_0 – The noise signal amplitudes have the normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma)$, where μ and σ are estimated from the tested data

Estimation of background noise parameters

- ADC used in the signal registration system has a resolution of 16 bits (65536 levels, values from -1 to 1)
- According to calculations, dynamic range of the formed noise signal contains 112 levels (values from -0.00189 to 0.001526)
- Gaussian noise signal was generated and digitized
- The Wilcoxon–Mann–Whitney test confirmed H_0 (the distributions of both samples are equal) at $\alpha = 0$ for $N = 500, 1000$



Wavelet thresholding as denoising method



- ▶ Wavelet family
 - ▶ Daubechies wavelets
 - ▶ symlets
 - ▶ coiflets

- ▶ Strategy for choosing a threshold value → adaptive threshold
 - ▶ Universal threshold
 - ▶ Minimax
 - ▶ FDR
 - ▶ SURE
 - ▶ Block James-Stein
 - ▶ Empirical Bayes method
- ▶ Thresholding scheme
 - ▶ hard
 - ▶ soft
 - ▶ special schemes for certain methods

Method selection

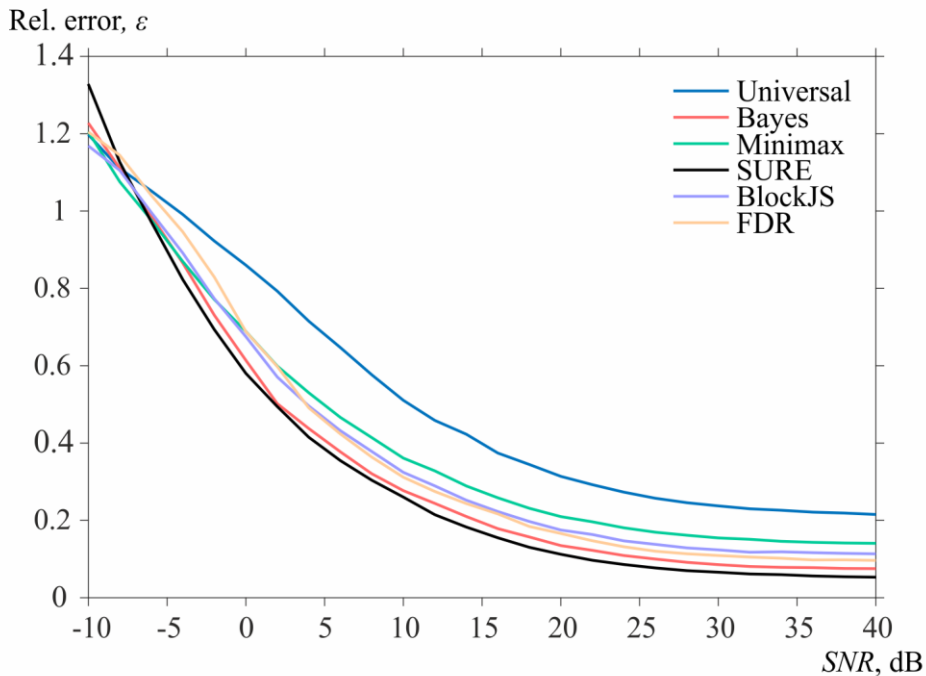


Figure 4. $\varepsilon(SNR)$ plots for different threshold calculation methods

Average relative error of wavelet thresholding

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\|s_i(t) - \hat{s}_i(t)\|}{\|s_i(t)\|} \quad (1)$$

where

$s_i(t)$ is an undistorted pulse

$\hat{s}_i(t)$ is a pulse after the wavelet thresholding

N is a total number of processed pulses

Empirical Bayes Method

Mathematics

$$x_i = \mu_i + \epsilon_i \quad (2)$$

where

x_i are detail wavelet coefficients
of distorted signal

μ_i are coefficients of undistorted signal

ϵ_i is normally distributed noise

$$f(\mu) = (1 - \omega)\delta_0 + \omega\gamma(\mu) \quad (3)$$

where

ω is the probability that $\mu_i = 0$

γ is quasi-Cauchy distribution

Thresholding procedure

- ▶ μ_i are evaluated by posterior median $\hat{\mu}(d_i, \omega)$;
- ▶ μ_i are evaluated by posterior mean $\bar{\mu}(d_i, \omega)$
- ▶ determining $t(\omega)$ and soft or hard thresholding

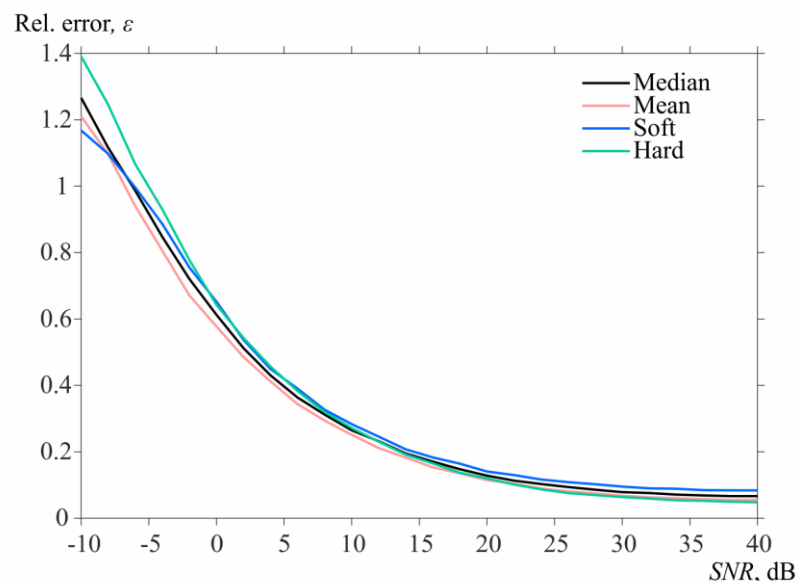


Figure 5. $\epsilon(SNR)$ plots for various thresholding procedures

Wavelet family selection

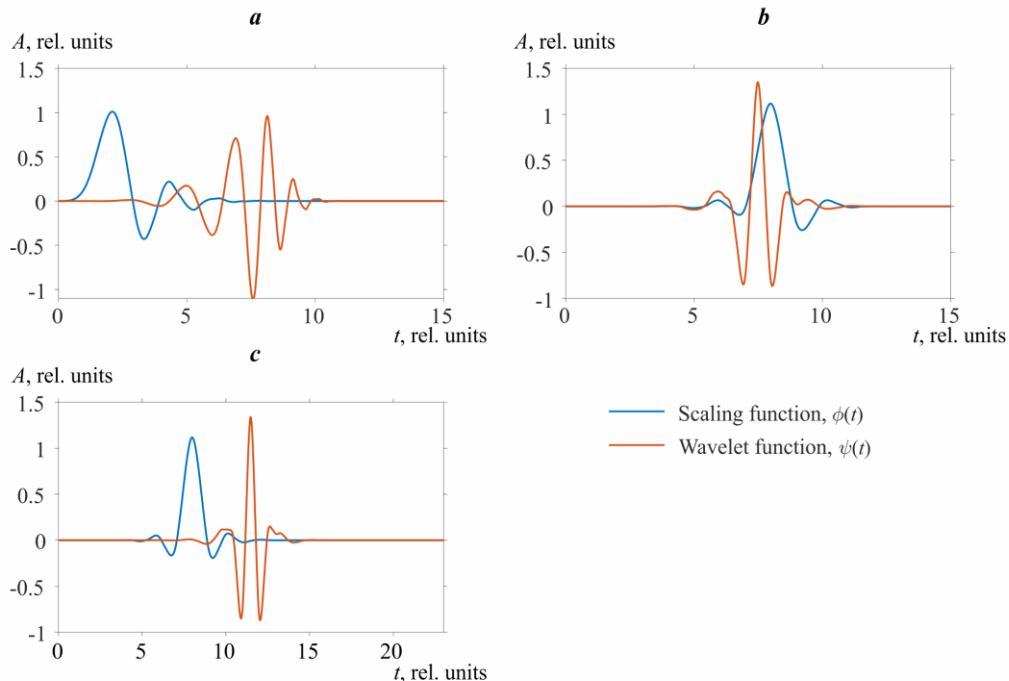


Figure 6. Mother wavelets and scaling functions:
a — eighth-order Daubechies wavelet, db_8 ;
b — eighth-order symlet, sym_8 ;
c — forth-order coiflet, $coif_4$

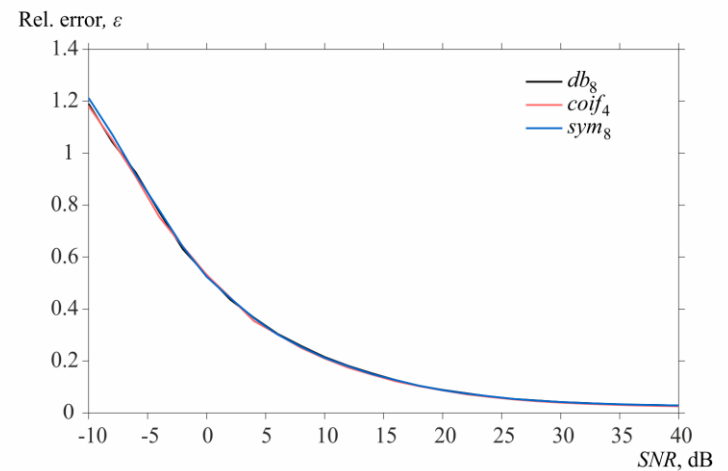
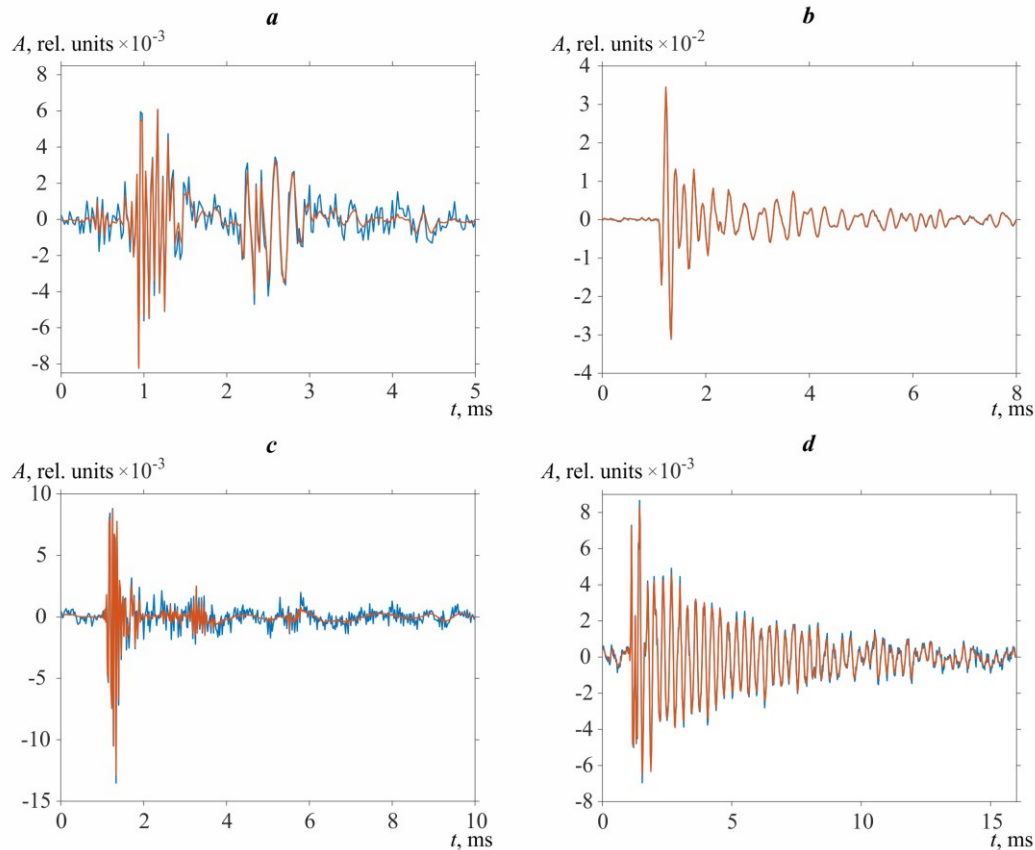


Figure 7. $\varepsilon(SNR)$ plots obtained by the Empirical Bayes Method using various wavelet families

Approbation



Denoising method

- ▶ Empirical Bayes Method
- ▶ posterior mean
- ▶ forth-order coiflets

Figure 8. Real data processing

**Thank you
for your attention**

Questions