

Трудности сейсмической инверсии и построения сейсмических изображений

Advanced seismic processing and imaging

(Part I)

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Чем определяется удача в науке? В первую очередь - это выдающиеся учителя.

В науке есть те, которые пробивают стены, а есть другие, которые потом в течении 100 лет расчищают осколки

Sergey Goldin

Нет ничего постыдного быть игнорантом, то есть не знать чего либо. Но очень опасно быть игнорантом наполовину - то есть претендовать, что ты знаешь все

Tury Taner

Все люди имеют мозг: разной формы и размера. Но только немногие имеют УМ (познавательные и аналитические способности). Ум как правило сочетается с душой.

Tad Ulrych

Наблюденные данные не могут предсказать модель. Они могут только отрицать неправильные модели.

Albert Tarantola

Одномерная обратная задача может быть решена путем бурения одной скважины

Vladimir Glogovsky

Многому я научился у своих наставников, еще большему — у своих товарищей, но больше всего — у своих учеников.

Talmud

In this course:

- I do not pretend to teach you a part of seismic that is known pretty well.
- I will not tell you about a subject that has been very thoroughly analyzed.
- I will not propose or describe a new completely developed algorithms or numerical schemes for seismic imaging or inversion.
- I will not compare different methods and algorithms.

The course has a conceptual character and I will try as accurately as I can to describe new ideas, new visions, new dreams (why not!) which hopefully can lead to substantial progress in both resolution and reliability of seismic exploration.

О понимании

- Я постараюсь объяснить вещи так, чтобы вы смогли понять. Но может случиться , что вы не поймете то, что я буду рассказывать.
- Моя задача сделать так, чтобы вы не ушли, чтобы вы остались.
- Если это поможет... Я тоже не все понимаю. Никто не понимает всего...

Есть много причин, почему мы можем не понять рассказчика:

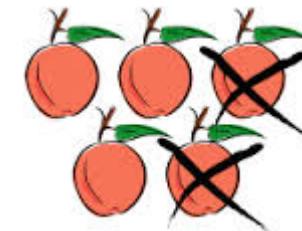
- Его язык плохой - он не говорит того, что думает или рассказывает наоборот
- Рассказчик использует слова не в их обычном смысле ("работа", "энергия", "свет")
- Когда рассказчик описывает как Природа работает, вы не понимаете **почему** Природа работает именно так (никто не понимает этого)
- После того, как рассказчик говорит что либо, мы просто не верим ему. Или мы просто не любим то, что он говорит

Концептуальный характер курса не позволяет мне представить многие вещи в строгой математической формулировке. Да это и не является моей целью. Попробую объяснить это на примере (по Фейнману):

"Когда то давно индейцы Майя интересовались восходом и закатом планеты Венера... Для вычислений, они придумали систему "палочек и точек", чтобы представлять числа и они имели правила для вычислений и предсказаний... В те далекие дни только священники Майя могли делать такие сложные расчеты. Как бы священник сегодня объяснил бы нам, что такое вычитание. Он мог бы либо научить нас их представлению чисел с помощью точек и палочек, и их правилам... или он мог бы рассказать нам, что он в принципе делает: "Допустим мы хотим вычесть 236 из 584. Сначала, мы отсчитываем 584 фасоли и кладем их в горшок. Потом вынимаем 236 фасолей... В конце мы считаем оставшиеся в горшке фасоли..." Вы можете сказать: "Как примитивно, считать фасоли..." Священник мог бы ответить: "Поэтому мы имеем правила для точек и палочек. Правила эти сложны, но эффективны... Важно то, что нет разницы относительно результата: мы можем предсказать появление Венеры считая фасоли (что долго, но легко объяснимо) или используя сложные правила (что намного быстрее, но требует годы обучения)"

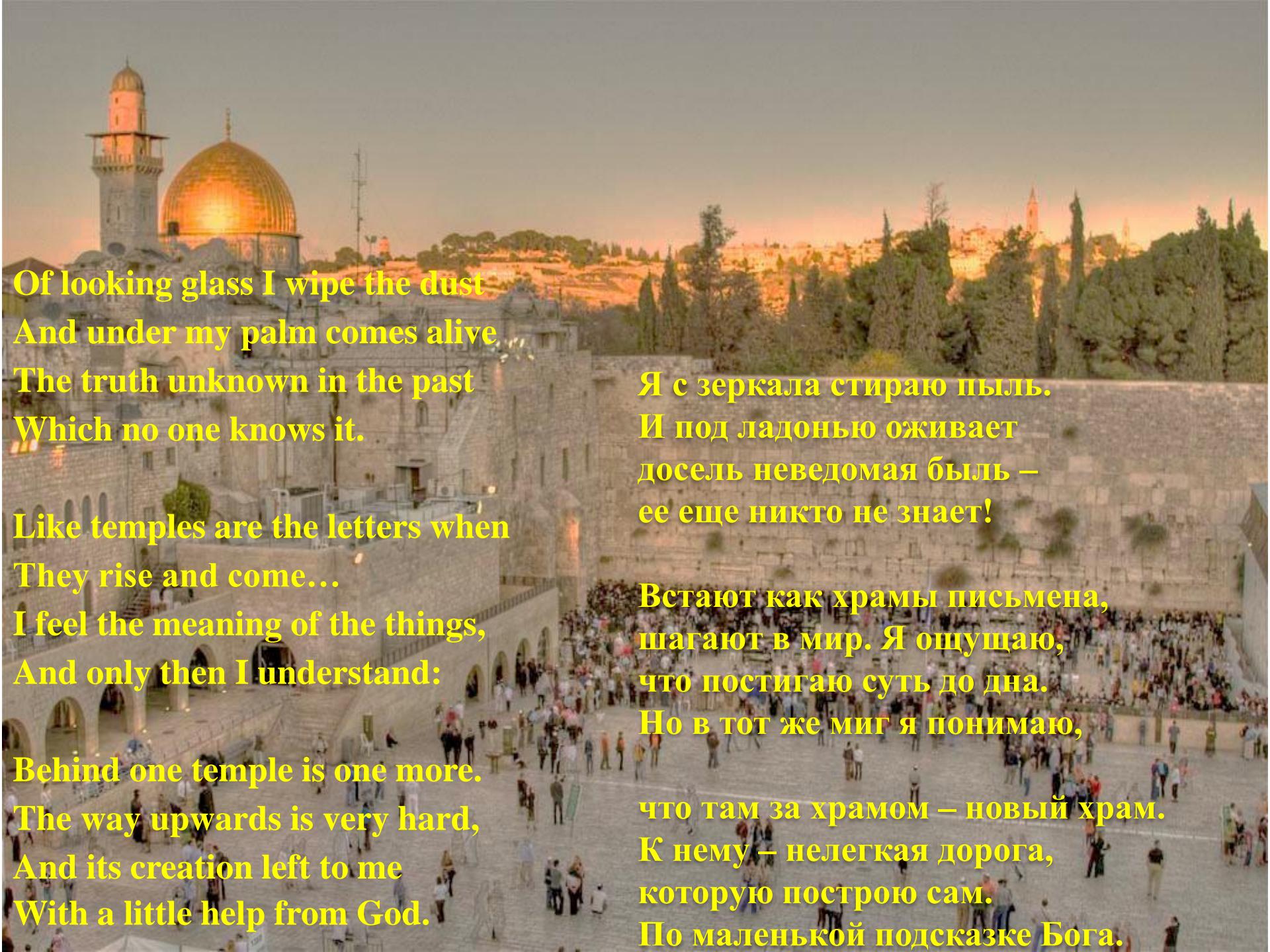
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$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ -7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ ← We can't subtract 7 from 3, since 7 is bigger than 3!





In memory of my teacher and friend
Sergey Goldin



Of looking glass I wipe the dust
And under my palm comes alive
The truth unknown in the past
Which no one knows it.

Like temples are the letters when
They rise and come...

I feel the meaning of the things,
And only then I understand:

Behind one temple is one more.
The way upwards is very hard,
And its creation left to me
With a little help from God.

Я с зеркала стираю пыль.
И под ладонью оживает
досель неведомая быль –
ее еще никто не знает!

Встают как храмы письмена,
шагают в мир. Я ощущаю,
что постигаю суть до дна.
Но в тот же миг я понимаю,

что там за храмом – новый храм.
К нему – нелегкая дорога,
которую построю сам.
По маленькой подсказке Бога.

“Birds and Frogs”

Бывают учёные-птицы, а бывают и учёные-лягушки. Птицы парят в вышине и обозревают обширные пространства математики, сколько видит глаз. Наслаждение им доставляют понятия, которые сводят наши размышления воедино и позволяют совместно рассматривать задачи, возникающие в разнообразных элементах пейзажа. Лягушки же копошатся далеко внизу в грязи и видят только растущие поблизости цветы. Для них наслаждение — внимательно разглядывать конкретные объекты; задачи они решают последовательно, одну за другой.

Математика сложна и прекрасна потому, что птицы привносят в неё широкий взгляд, а лягушки — замысловатые детали. Математика сочетает в себе общность принципов и глубину структур, что делает её и великим искусством, и важной наукой. Было бы глупо утверждать, что птицы лучше лягушек, ибо видят дальше, или что лягушки лучше птиц, ибо проницают глубже. Мир математики широк и глубок, и для его изучения нужны и птицы, и лягушки.

Freeman Dyson

Goldin's legacy

FROM STATISTICS TO DETERMINISM AND DUALITY

- Бедные эмпирические данные приводят к очень упрощенным статистическим моделям и отсутствию статистического анализа экспериментальных данных
- "В конце концов можно научить обезьяну строить функцию правдоподобия"
- Сейсмический сигнал состоит в основном из функции источника, среды распространения и условий приема. Эти компоненты обычно рассматриваются как чисто детерминистические.
- Движение в сторону чистого детерминизма тоже неверно. Когда детерминизм выполнил свою функцию и помеха должна быть принята во внимание, статистика необходима.
- Ричард Фейнман, в своей знаменитой классификации науки, поставил геофизику на 11 (почти самую высокую) ступень сложности, охарактеризовав её как "непрерывный спектр неоднородностей".
- Чистый детерминизм и описание среды с помощью гладких кусочно-непрерывных функций не соответствует этому определению.

FORMALISM AND OVERCOMING UNCERTAINTY

- Насколько обратная геофизическая задача может быть формализована?
- Применение определенного решения задачи построения сейсмического изображения - это область интерпретации, которая не относится к математической теории.
- Разрыв между неизвестной геологической ситуацией и известным модельным решением может быть заполнена только если мы понимаем, что невозможно полностью формализовать обратную задачу
- Является ли степень использования математики показателем зрелости науки?
- Математика помогает выполнять вещи эффективно

EFFICIENCY AND UNDERSTANDING

- Для многих ученых цель любого исследования - это получение новых данных
- Наука не ограничивается новыми знаниями. Необходимо, чтобы наука улучшала что либо в человеческой жизни и повседневной деятельности человека
- Новые методы часто предлагаются талантливыми людьми с хорошей интуицией, но в то же время без ясного физического видения и понимания
- Эффективность не необходима для понимания

«Наука – баба веселая и паучьей серьезности не терпит»

Тимофеев-Рессовский

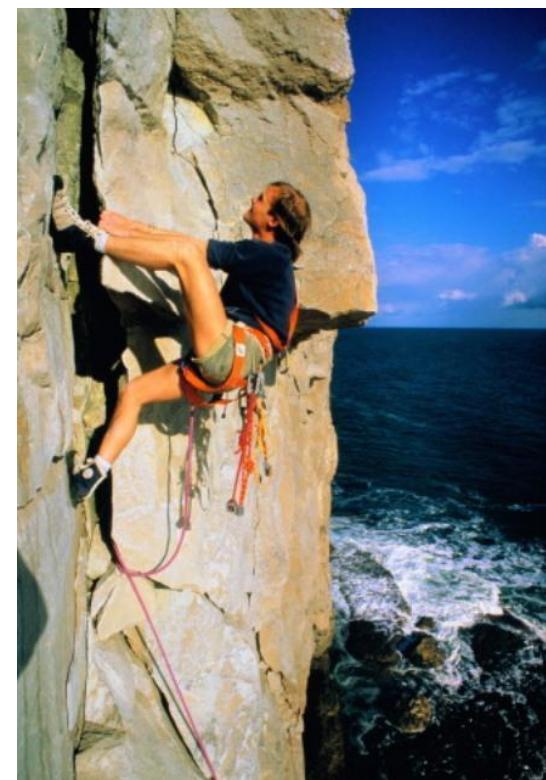
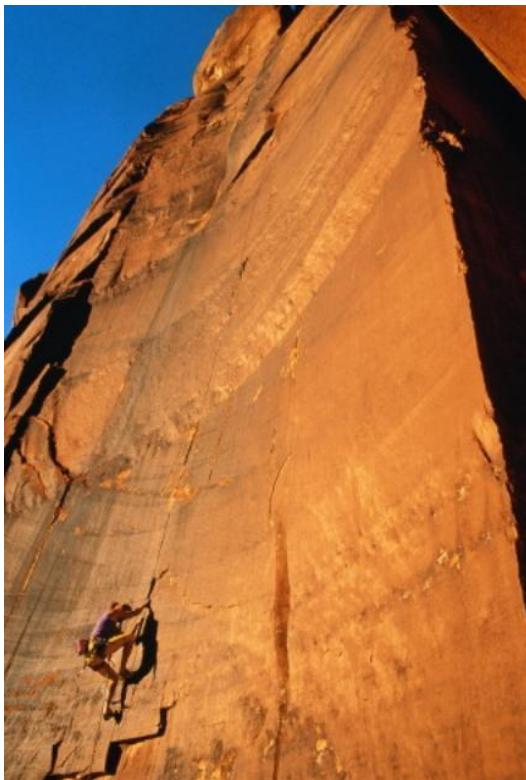
Наука как сфера человеческой деятельности

- Наука – это люди
- Научные традиции, научные школы создаются медленно; достаточно двух деградирующих поколений, чтобы потерять
- Наука – это игра; игровое поле – семинары
- Факт становится научным результатом, когда он проинтерпретирован научным сообществом

- Наука - лучший вид человеческой деятельности; в научном творчестве человек может достигнуть максимальной свободы
- Можно ли говорить об особенных моральных качествах ученых? Ученый может ошибаться, но его заблуждения должны быть искренними
- Сергей Гольдин: качество, прежде всего, присущее материальному миру – сложность
- Ричард Фейнман - фундаментальные законы физики могут быть описаны разными путями; в этом отображение простоты фундаментальных законов

Goldin's legacy

- Обычно мы наблюдаем не отдельные простые явления, а сложный феномен взаимодействия простых идей
- « Не та сложность, которая похожа на высокую гладкую стену, а скорее скала, где всегда найдешь место, куда поставить ногу, и подняться на полметра выше... »



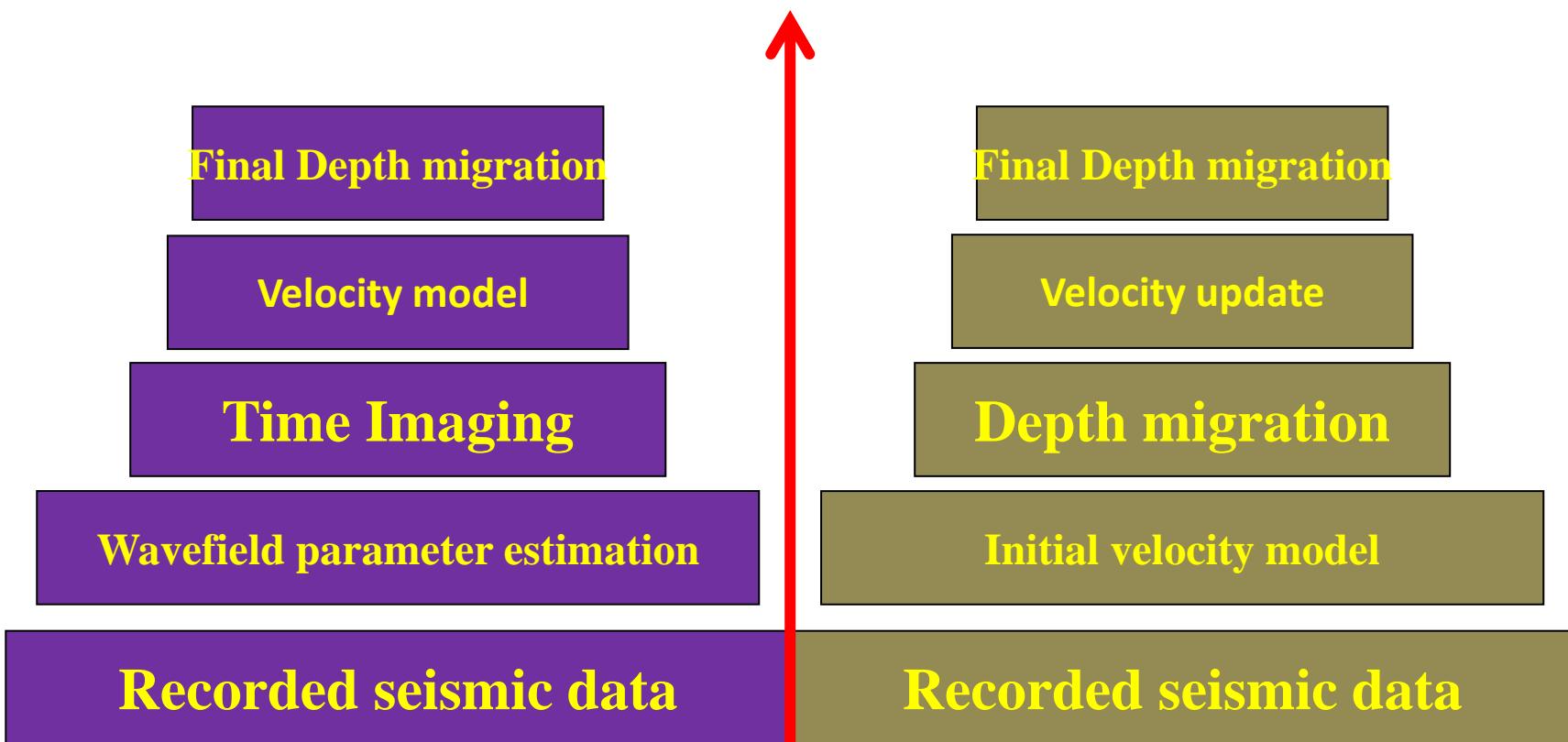
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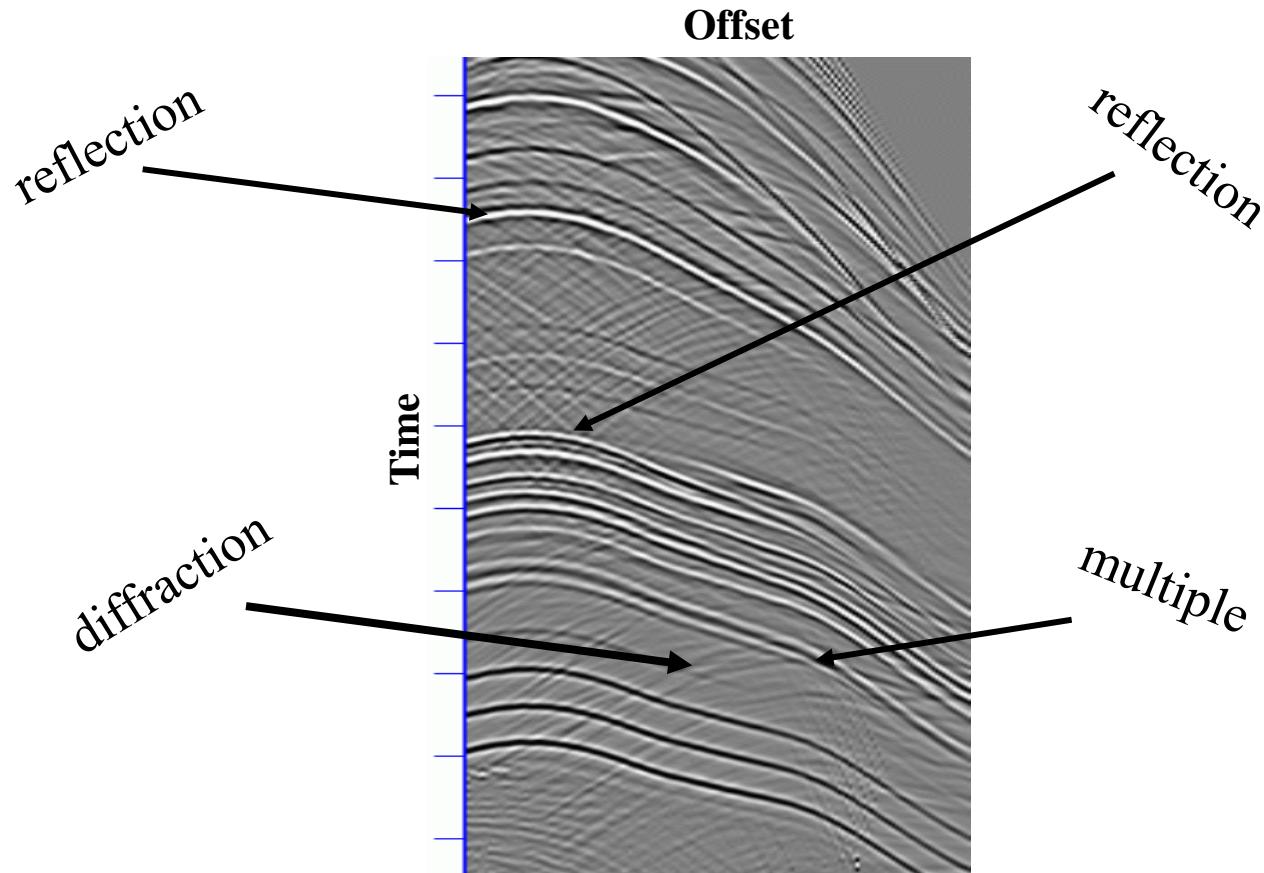
Preamble

While depth imaging plays an increasing role in seismic exploration, prestack data analysis and imaging in time domain remain important issues in processing and interpretation. Time imaging provides sufficient information for a variety of subsurface models of moderate complexity. Moreover, for more complex models that request the use of prestack depth migration, time imaging usually constitutes a key first step.

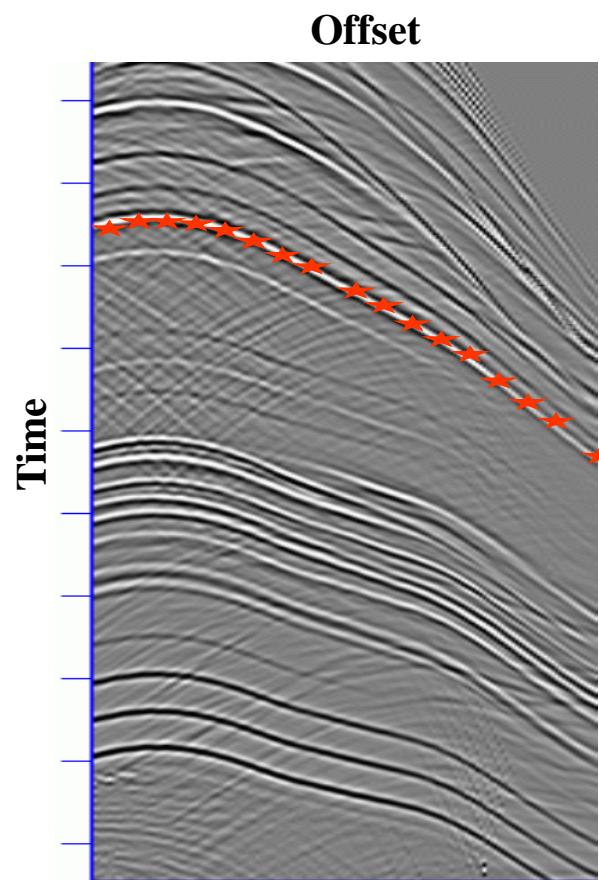
Time vs. Depth Imaging



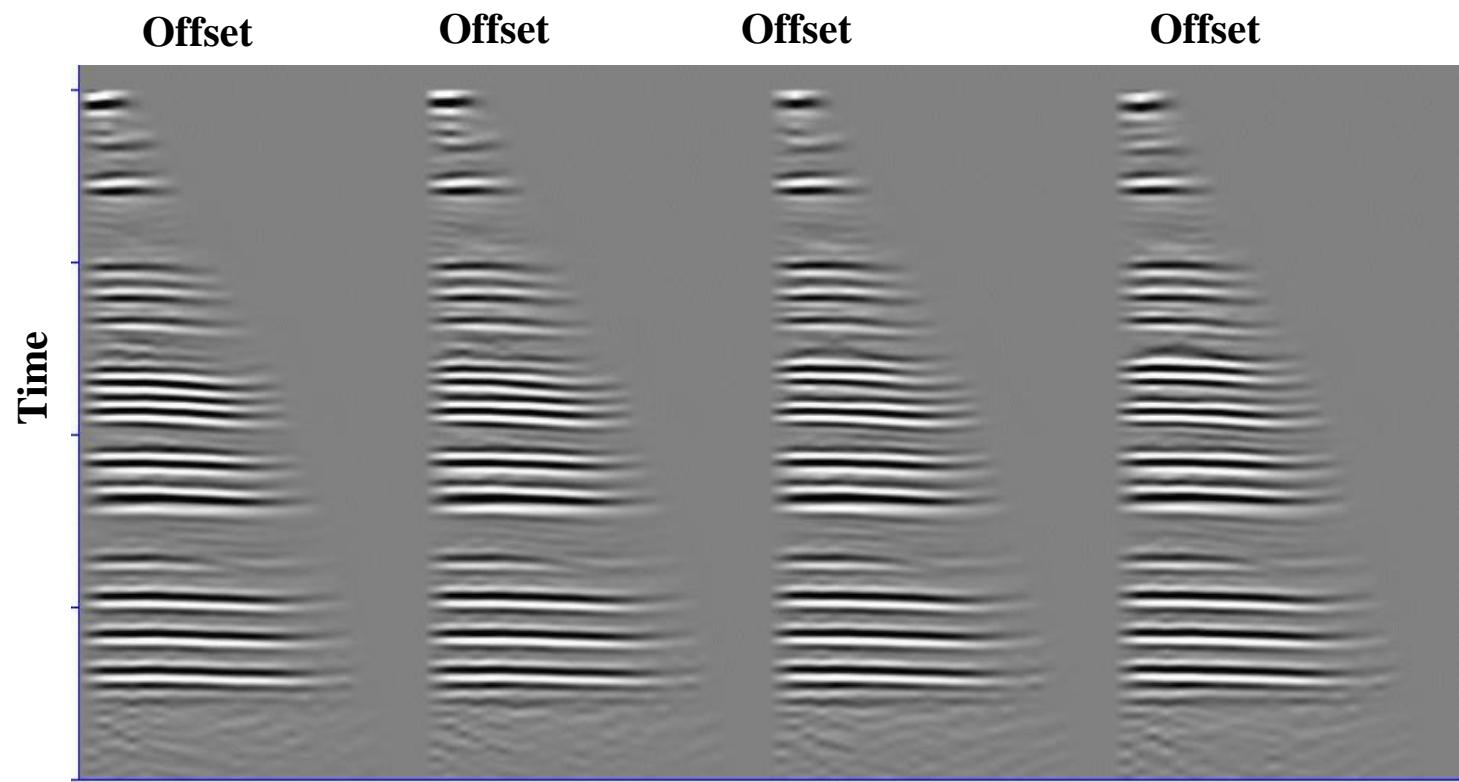
Decomposition of the total wavefield into body waves is one of the fundamental principles of the seismic reflection method



Correlation



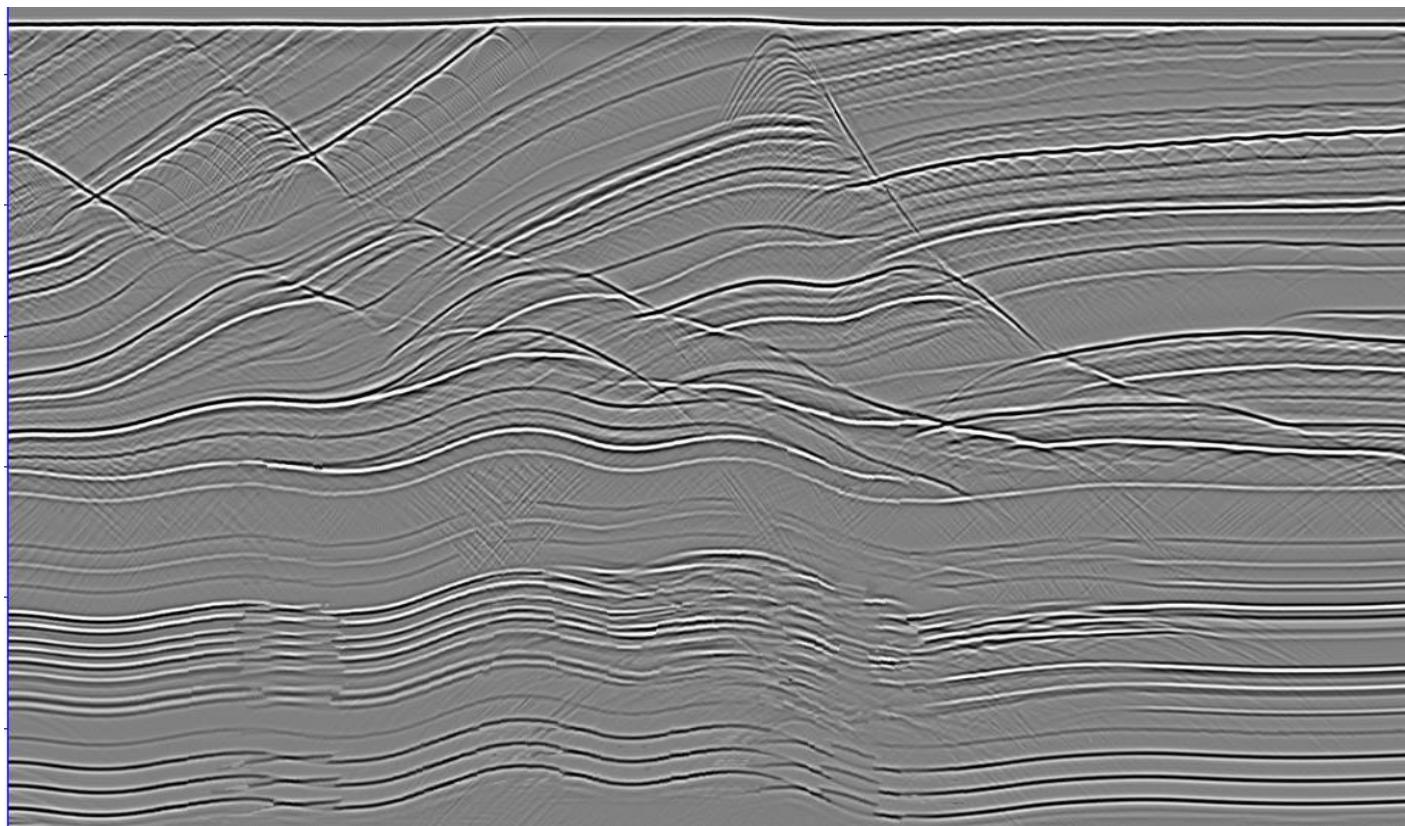
Moveout correction



Stack

CMP

Time/Depth



Time field

“Each seismic operator is a function of two pairs parameters”
G. Gamburtsev

The most important characteristic of seismic wavefield is arrival times of different type of waves

$$T(\vec{s}, \vec{r})$$

The time field (time surface) contains an important information about the subsurface. A section of the time field is named “**traveltime curve**”.

For example, CMP time field can be define in this case as:

$$T(m, h)$$

$$m = (s + r)/2 \quad h = (s - r)/2$$

What is the main physical meaning of this coordinate transform?

- In models with a moderate complexity, lateral velocity variations (including reflector geometry) of the subsurface appear mostly in sections $h=constant$ of the function $T(m, h)$, while velocity in the overburden including vertical velocity variations appear mostly in sections $m=constant$.
- Function $T(m, h)$ is even with respect to variable h . It means that section $T_m(h)$ (traveltime curve) is a symmetric function:

$$T(m, h) = T(m, -h)$$

Approximation of the CMP traveltimes:

$$T(m, h) = \sqrt{(t_0^2(m) + a_1(m)h^2 + a_2(m)h^4 + \dots)}$$
$$a_1 = 4 \cos^2 \psi / V_{\text{int}}^2$$

Introduction of the time field important because it has features which does not have the “classical“ traveltimes curve $T_s(r)$

Time field is directly connected to solutions of forward and inverse kinematic problems.
 Estimation of the time field from the observed data is a crucial issue in solving problems of velocity model building and seismic imaging.

The simplest statistical model of a trace is:

$$u(t, s, r) = f((t - \tau(s, r)) + \xi(t, s, r))$$

To estimate the time field is possible by:

$$F\left[\sum_{s, r \in \sigma} u(t + \tau(s, r, \vec{c}))\right] \rightarrow \max_{\vec{c}}$$

C is a parameter vector describing the time field

We distinguish between local parameters \vec{c}^i and global $\langle \vec{c}^j \rangle$.

Global estimate of the time field $\hat{\alpha}$ is taken as a collection of local estimates

$$\langle u^j \rangle \rightarrow \langle c^j \rangle = \hat{\alpha}$$

Velocity model $\vec{\theta}$ can be computed as

$$\langle u^j \rangle \rightarrow \langle c^j \rangle \rightarrow \hat{\alpha} \rightarrow \vec{\theta}$$

$$\langle u^j \rangle \rightarrow \langle \vec{\theta}^j \rangle \rightarrow \vec{\theta} \quad \text{or even} \quad \langle u^j \rangle \rightarrow \vec{\theta}$$

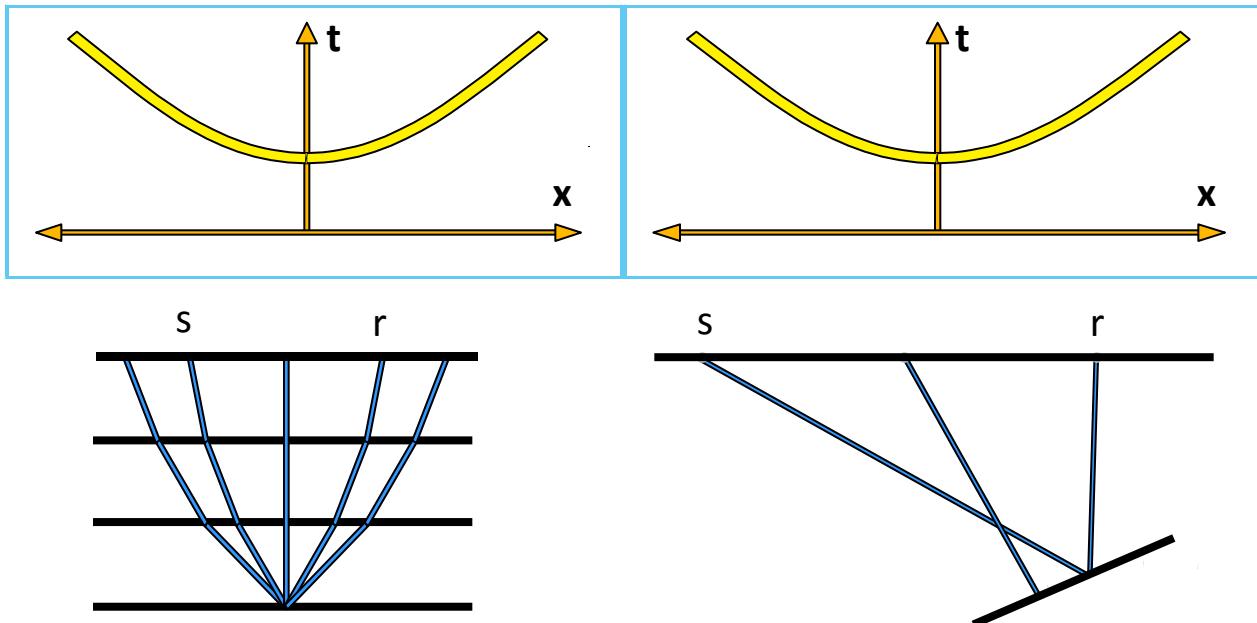
Time Imaging

Time correction equation is a key to successful time imaging.

This equation should satisfy two conditions:

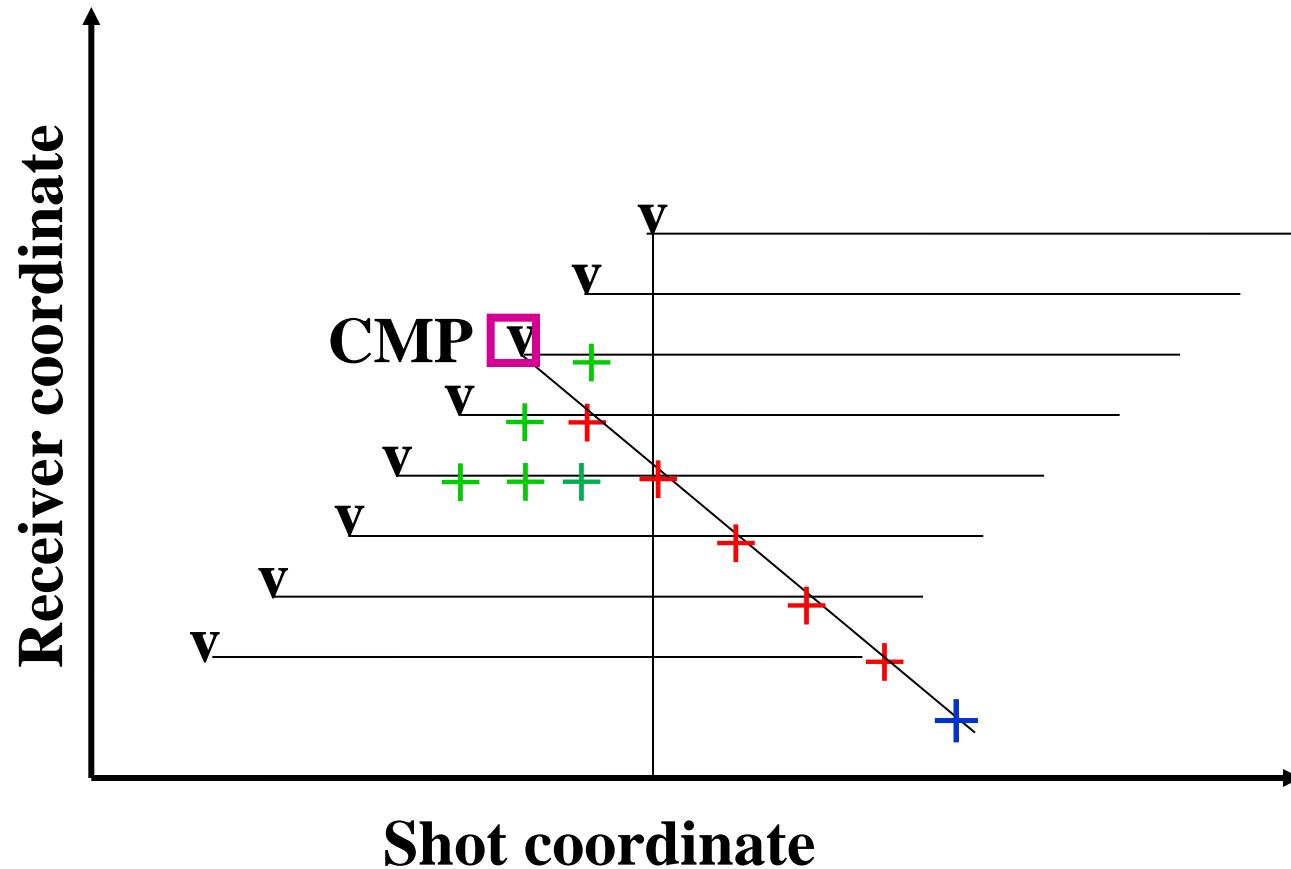
1. **It should be valid for arbitrary media** (be model independent);
2. **It should be valid for arbitrary observation geometry**

Why CMP method *works* ?

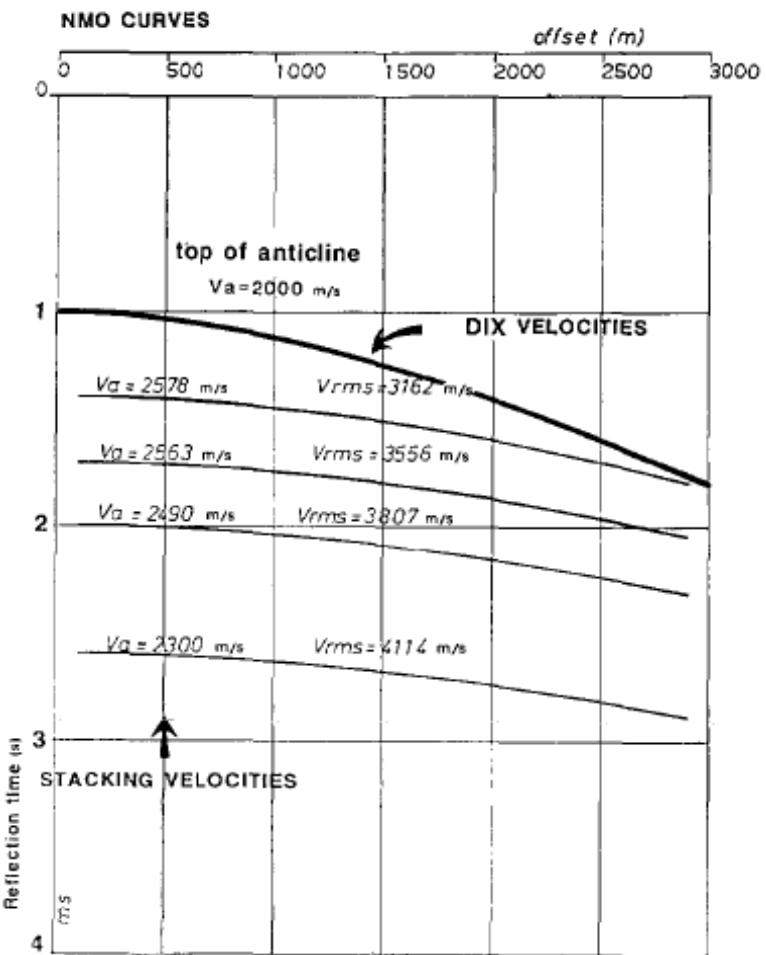
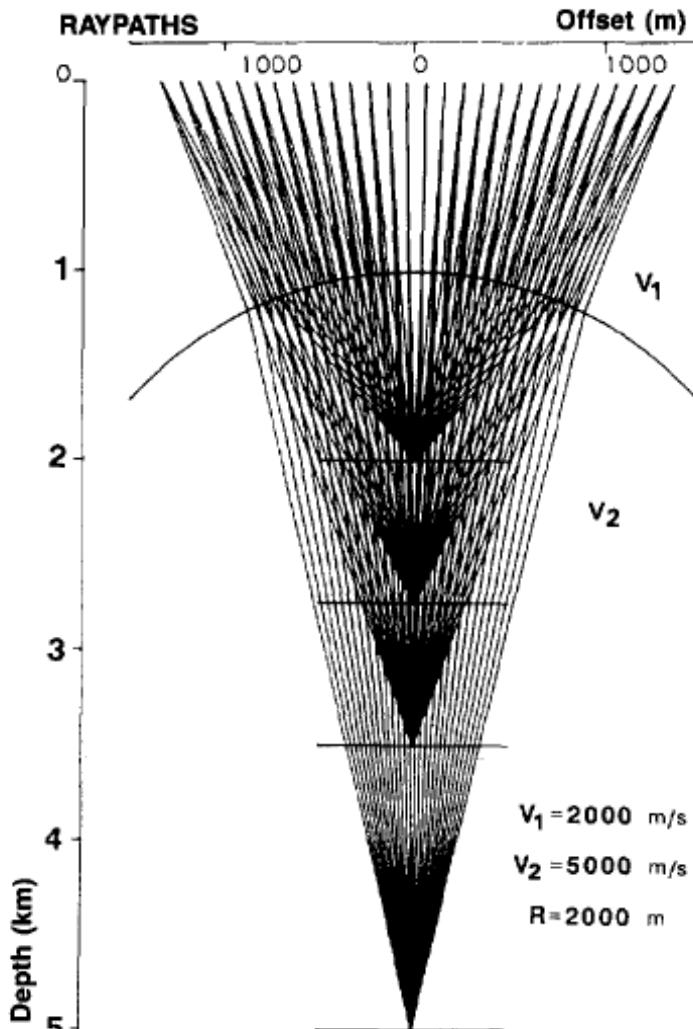


$$t(m) = \sqrt{t_0^2(m) + \frac{4h^2}{V_{st}^2}}$$

Stacking chart



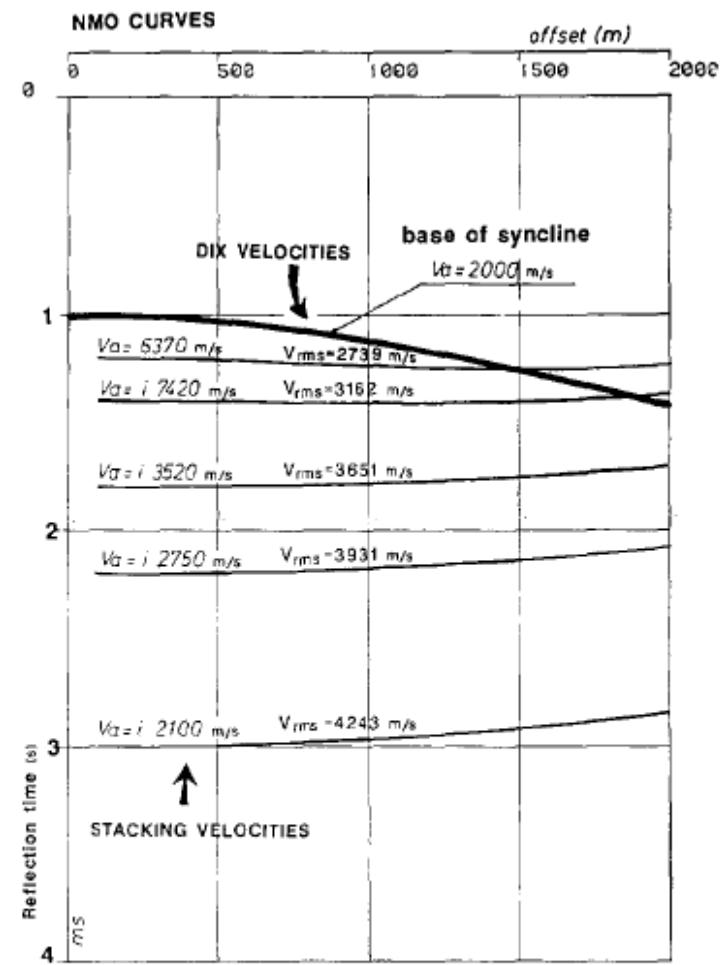
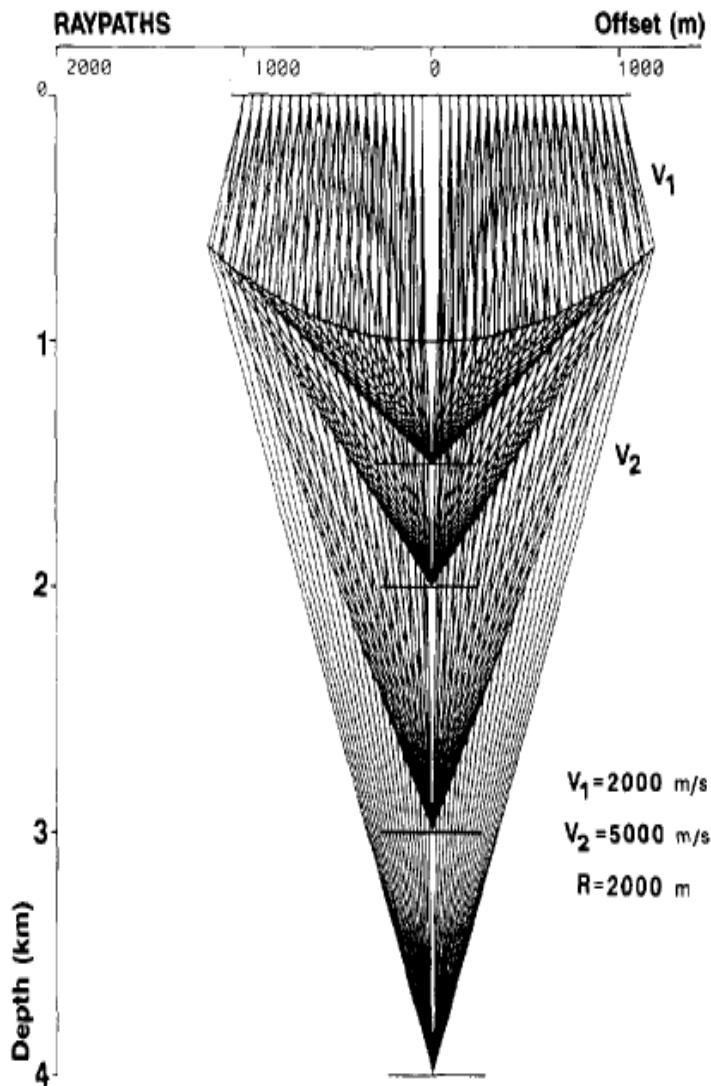
Convex interface



After de Bazelaire, 1988

RMS velocities are computed and stacking velocities are estimated using a velocity analysis. Interval velocities computed by Dix formula are completely wrong

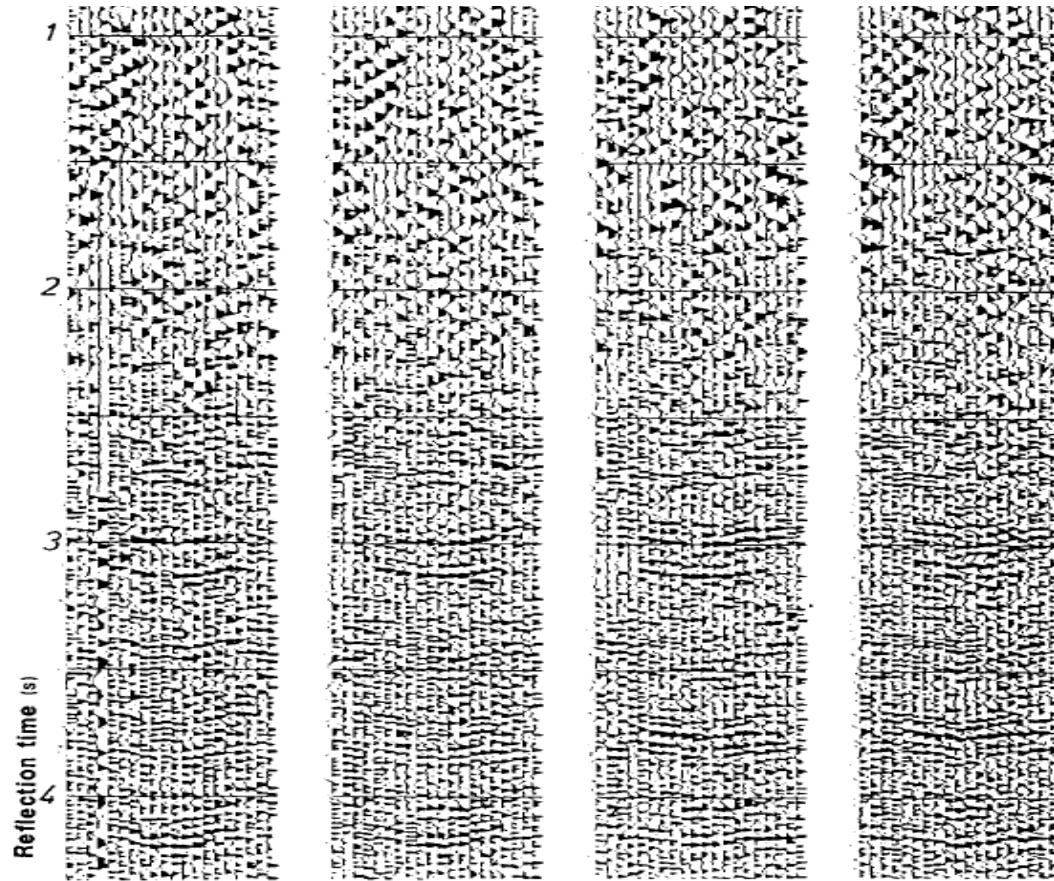
Concave interface



After de Bazelaire, 1988

All the NMO curves have inverse curvature. Stacking velocities are imaginary.

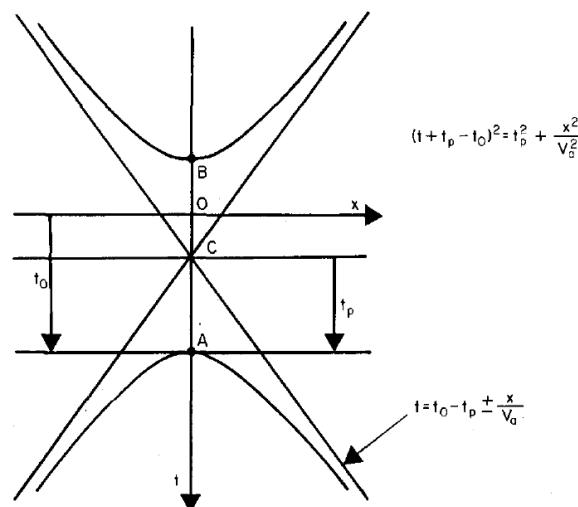
These CMP records show that upward curvatures can actually be observed.
The corresponding stacking velocities are imaginary.



After de Bazelaire, 1988

Shifted hyperbola

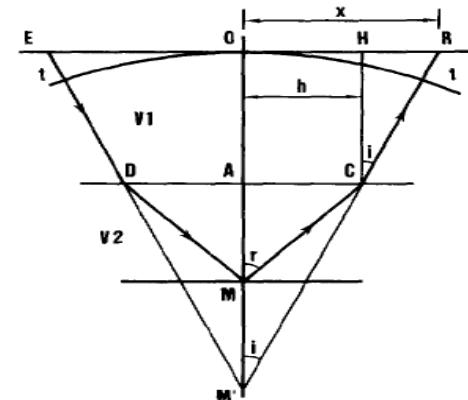
The 'delayed' or 'shifted' hyperbola (de Bazelaire 1988) is not symmetrical about the x-axis. It includes two parameters, the reflection time t_0 and the focusing time t_r , and is given by



$$(t + t_r)^2 = (t_0 + t_r)^2 + x^2 / V_a^2$$

V_a , average velocity

$t_r = AM' / V_1 - AM / V_2$ is the difference
between the actual and vertical traveltime



The centers of these hyperbolas do not coincide with the center of coordinates, but are shifted along the time axis.

Actual ray path TMR and equivalent ray path $TM'R$ for two media, plane and parallel layers, with small apertures.

Shifted hyperbola

Making the variable change $t_p = t_0 - t_r$ and after some algebraic transformation, we obtain a shifted hyperbola moveout correction:

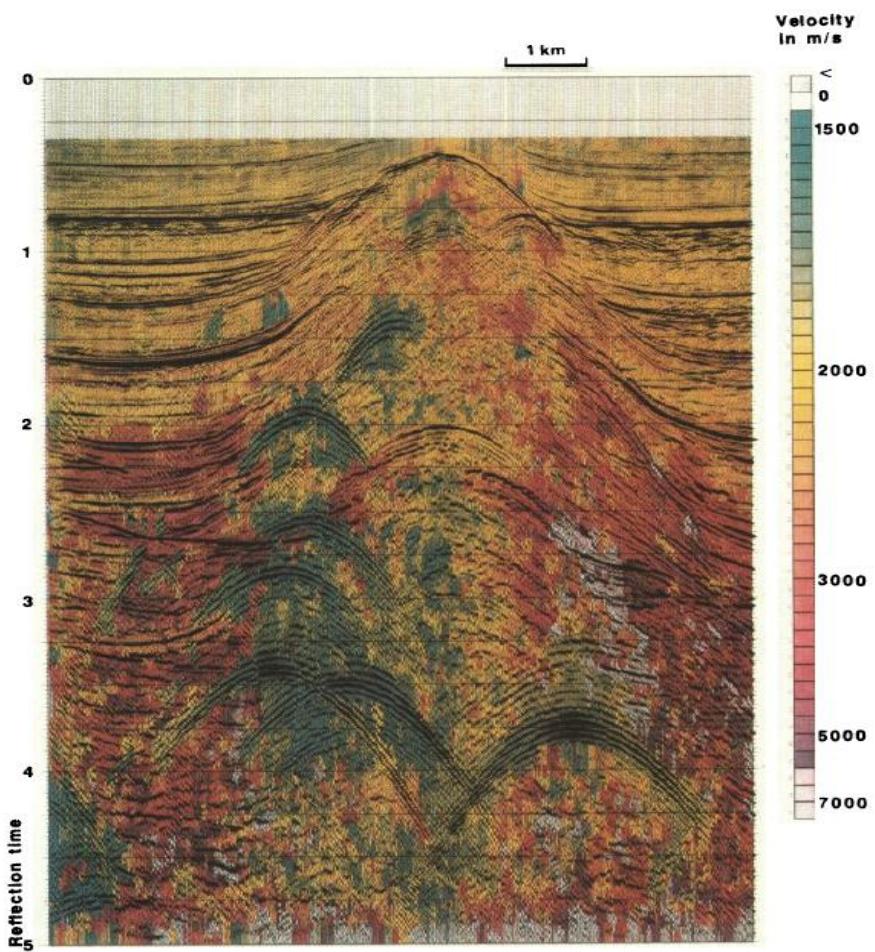
$$t = t_0 - t_p + \sqrt{t_p^2 + 4h^2 / V^2}$$

For small offsets the parameter V may be replaced by the near surface velocity, resulting in a robust single-parameter correlation procedure. For a given t_p , the correction is a function of a trace distance to the source only. Whatever the time t_0 , all the seismic events which can be stacked into focus at this time are corrected simultaneously.

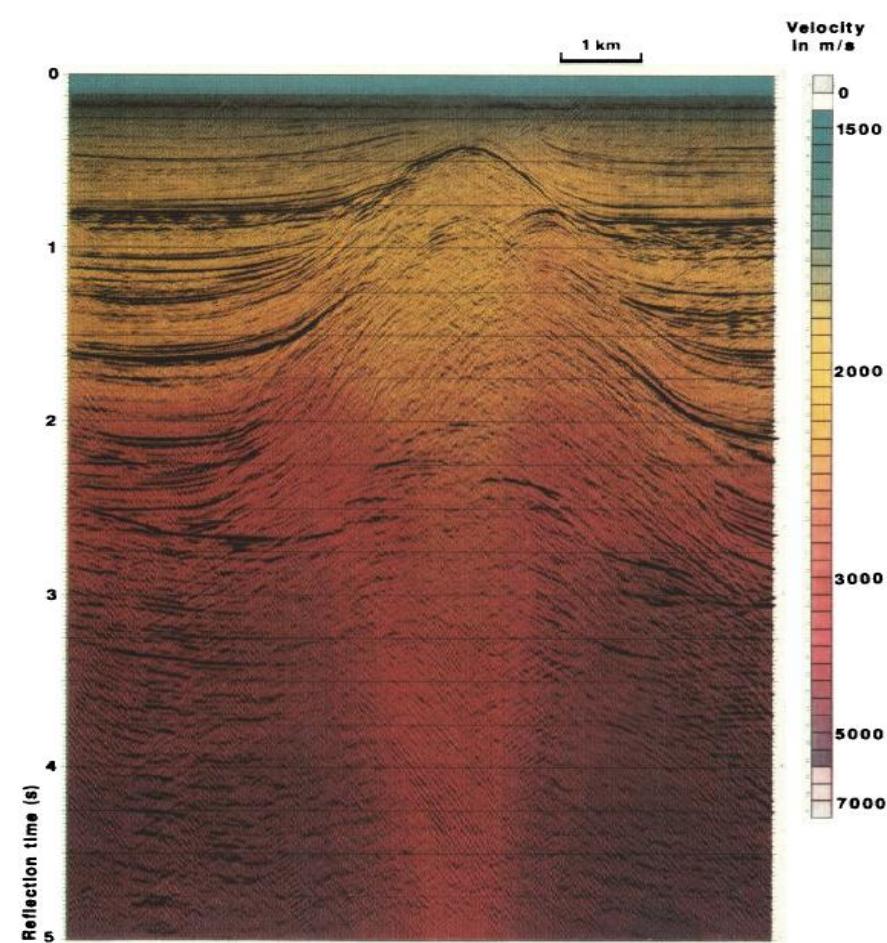
Shifted hyperbola

All the events that assume the shape of a hyperbola receive equal treatment. However the multiples have very different velocities. Clear where the reflections stop and where the diffractions start.

Shifted hyperbola stack



Conventional stack



After de Bazelaire, 1988

Non-hyperbolic (anisotropic) moveout

$$t^2(x) = t_0^2 + A_2 x^2 + \frac{A_4 x^4}{1 + Ax^2}$$

$$A_2 = \frac{1}{\alpha_0^2(1 + 2\delta)},$$

$$A_4 = -\frac{2(\varepsilon - \delta)[1 + 2\delta(1 - \frac{\beta_0^2}{\alpha_0^2})]^{-1}}{t_0^2 \alpha_0^2 (1 + 2\delta)^4}$$

$$A = \frac{A_4}{v_h^{-2} - A_2}$$

where ε and δ represent the Thomsen anisotropic parameters,
 α_0 and β_0 are the vertical P and S velocities and

$$v_h = \sqrt{\alpha_0(1 + \varepsilon)} \quad \text{is the horizontal velocity}$$

Offset dependent NMO velocity model

Non-hyperbolic behaviors can be modeled using the horizontal velocity acceleration model

$$t(x) = \sqrt{t_0 + x^2/V^2(x)} \quad V(x) = V_0 + ax^2$$

V_0 where V_0 is the velocity at zero offset, and a is a *horizontal velocity acceleration parameter*. Both parameters can be estimated from the data

For horizontally stratified model:

$$V_0 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^4 \sum_{j=1}^N V(x_j) - \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^2 \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^2 V(x_j)}{N \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^4 - \left(\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^2 \right)^2}$$

$$a = \frac{N \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^2 V(x_j) - \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^2 \sum_{j=1}^N V(x_j)}{N \sum_{j=1}^N x_j^4 - \left(\sum_{j=1}^N x_j^2 \right)^2}$$

Comparison of different CMP approximations

The Taylor series of the standard hyperbola, Alkalifa & Tsvankin, Taner's and de Bazelair's. Each formula is expanded up to the 4th order:

$$T_4(x)_{\text{stand}} = t_0 + \frac{1}{2v_{st}^2 t_0} x^2 - \frac{1}{8v_{st}^4 t_0^3} x^4$$

$$T_4(x)_{\text{Alk}} = t_0 + \frac{1}{2v_{st}^2 t_0} x^2 - \left(\frac{\eta}{v_{st}^4 t_0^3} + \frac{1}{8v_{st}^4 t_0^4} \right) x^4$$

$$T_4(x)_{\text{Taner}} = t_0 + \frac{1}{2v_{st}^2 t_0} x^2 - \left(\frac{\alpha}{v_{st}^4 t_0^3} + \frac{1}{8v_{st}^4 t_0^4} \right) x^4$$

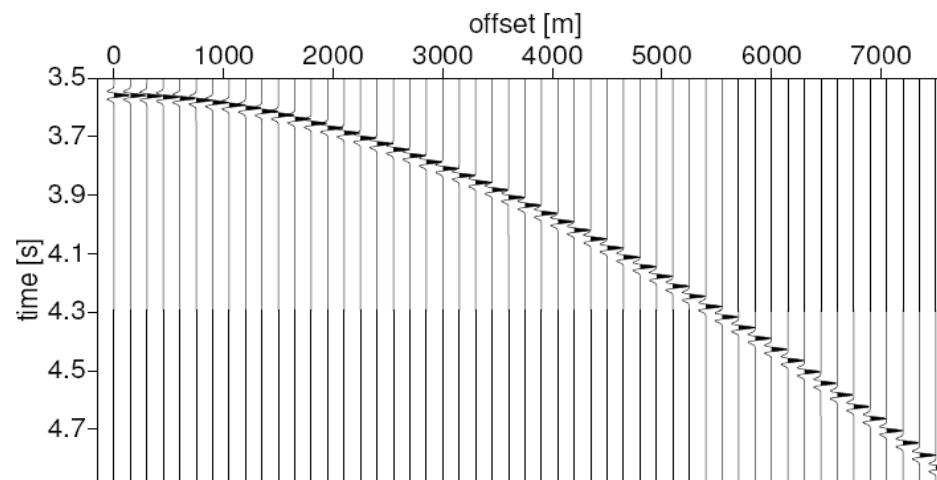
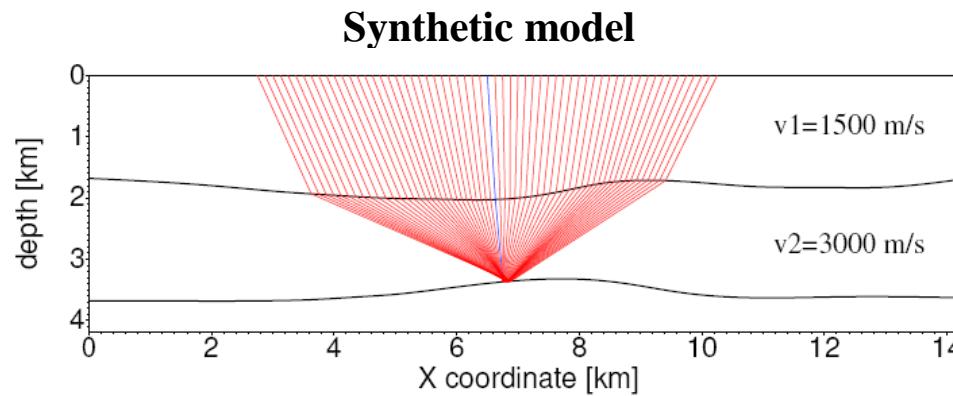
$$T_4(x)_{\text{shift}} = t_0 + \frac{1}{2v_a^2 t_p} x^2 - \frac{1}{8v_a^4 t_p^4} x^4$$

Standard, Alkalifa's and Taner contain the same second-order coefficients. Shifted hyperbola depends on v_a and t_p . Relationship between v_{st}, v_a, t_0 and t_p :

$$v_a^2 t_p = v_{st}^2 t_0$$

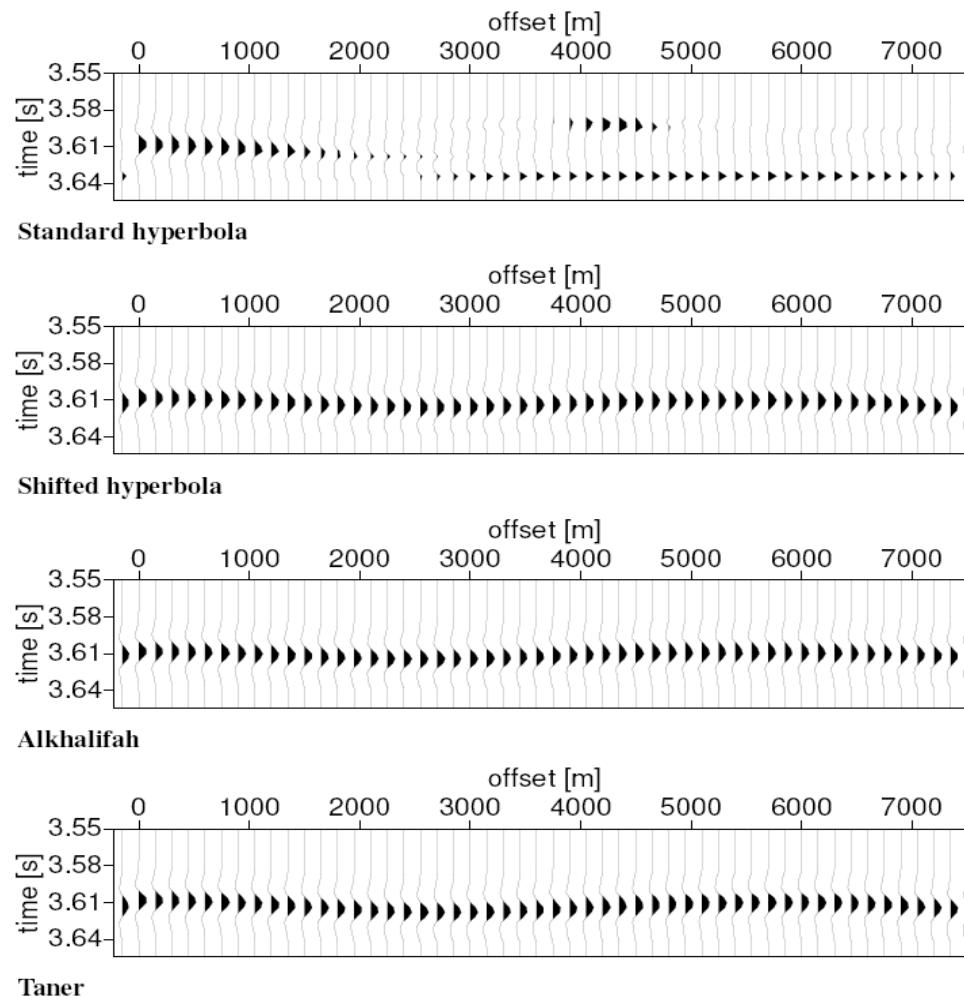
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Comparison of different CMP approximations



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Comparison of different CMP approximations

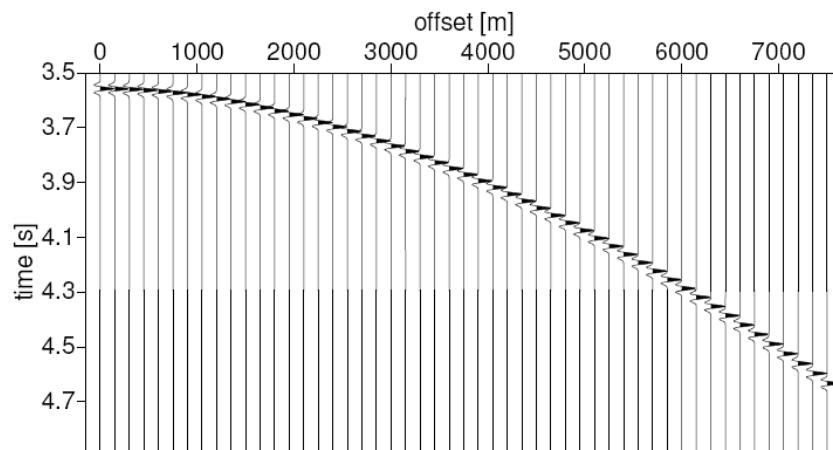
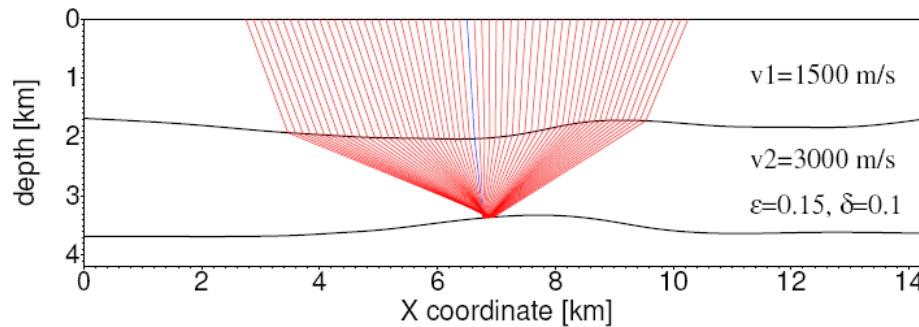


Traveltime could be adequately described by two-parameter equation

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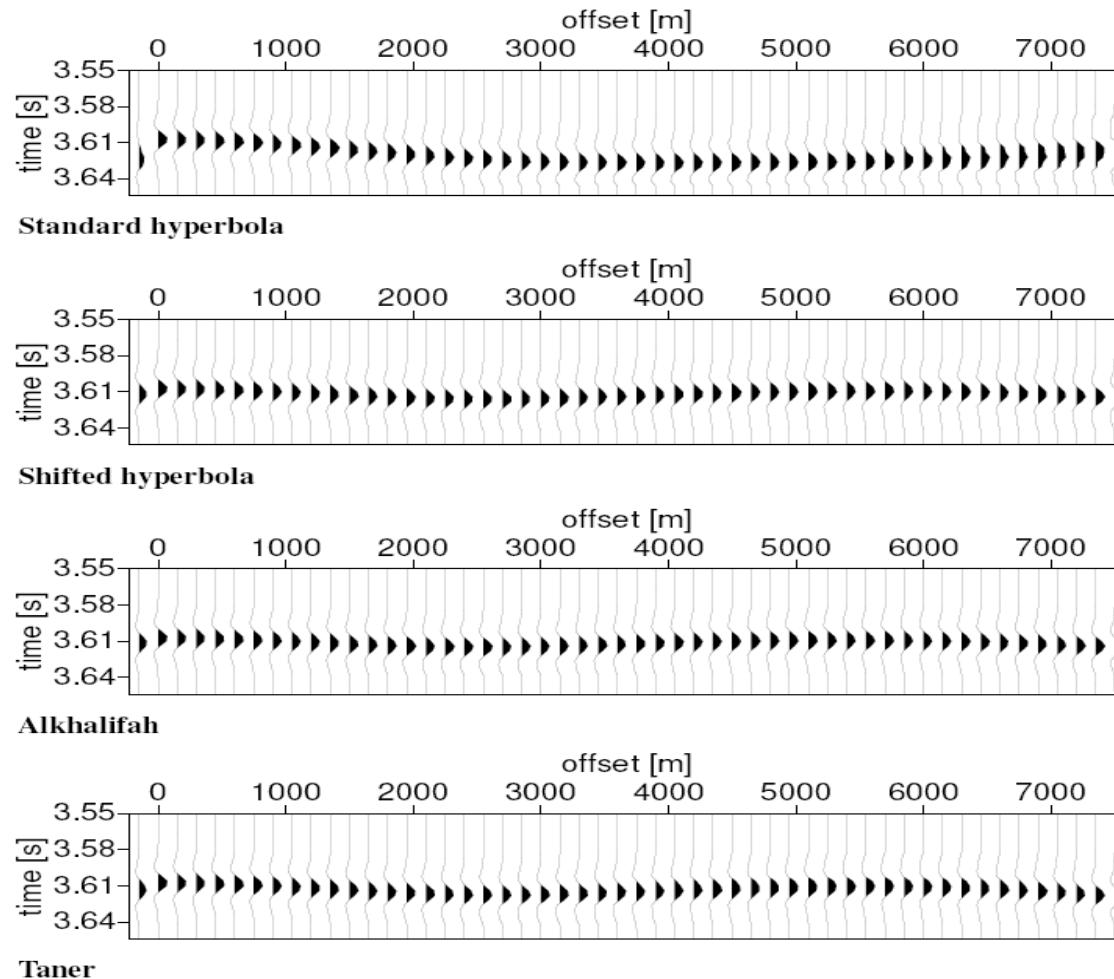
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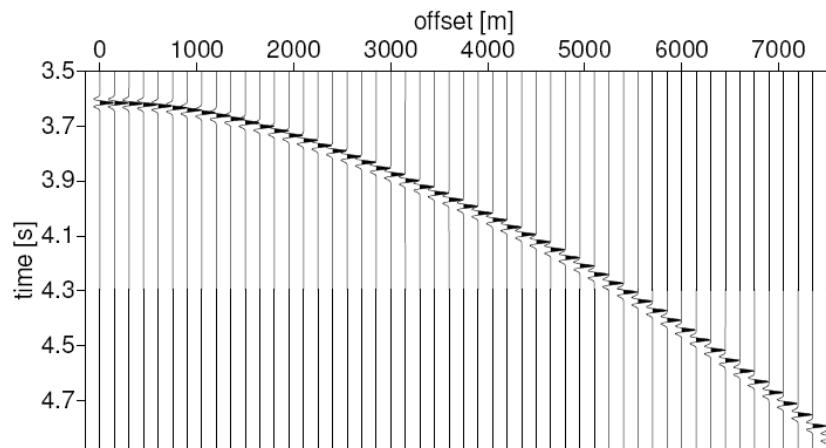
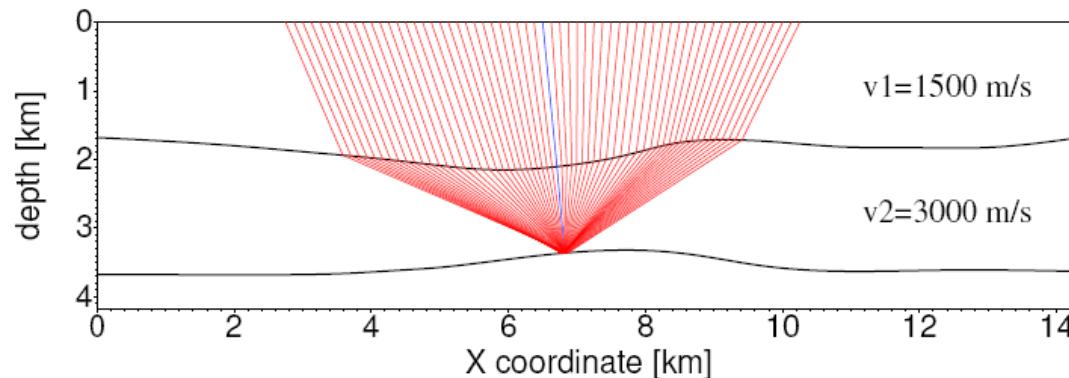


Anisotropy can *reduce* the deviation of the reflection event from a standard hyperbola. Compared to the standard hyperbola the two-parameter equations slightly improve the moveout correction

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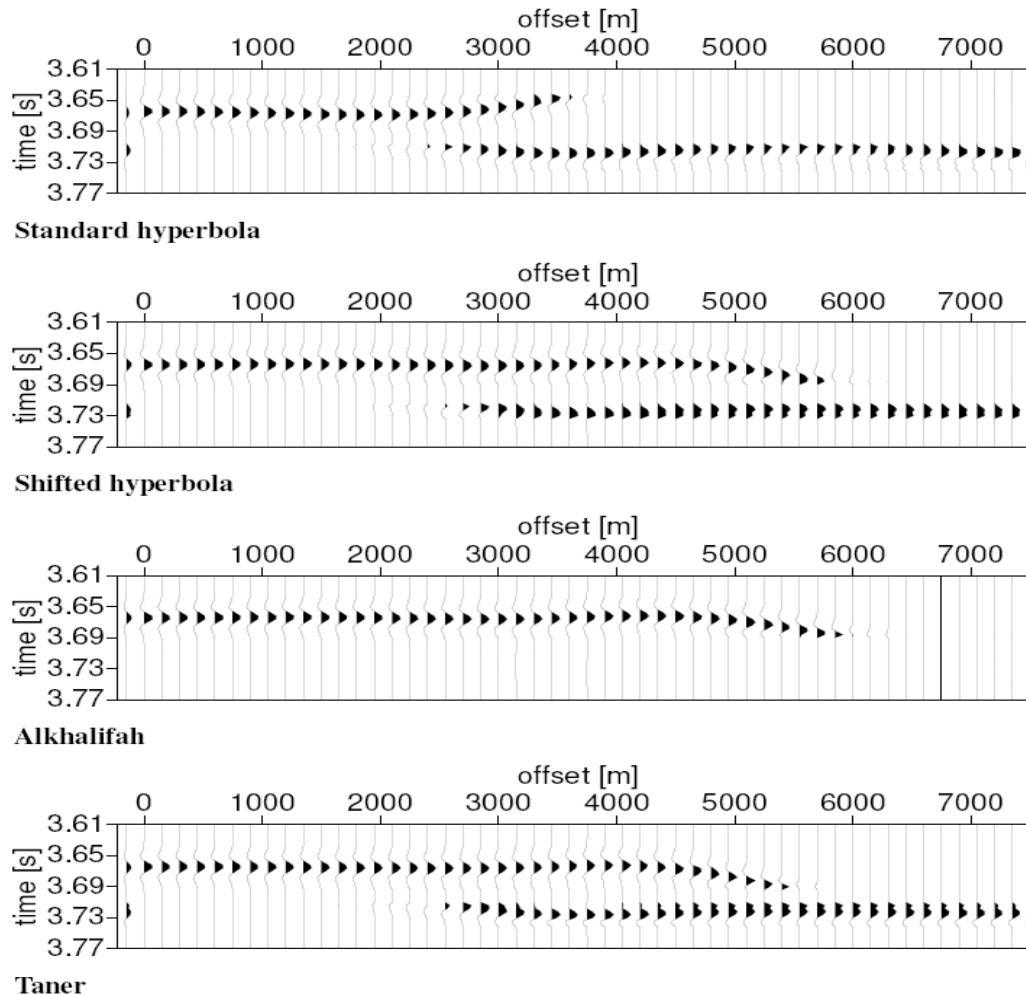
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Reflection events can split into two parts due to the complexity of the model

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**And the conclusion of comparison of different
CMP-based approximations is...**

$$2 > 1$$

Why CMP-based methods fail ?

- 1. Short offset approximation**
- 2. Non-hyperbolicity**
- 3. Low signal to noise ratio**
- 4. Stretch**

Non-CMP based methods

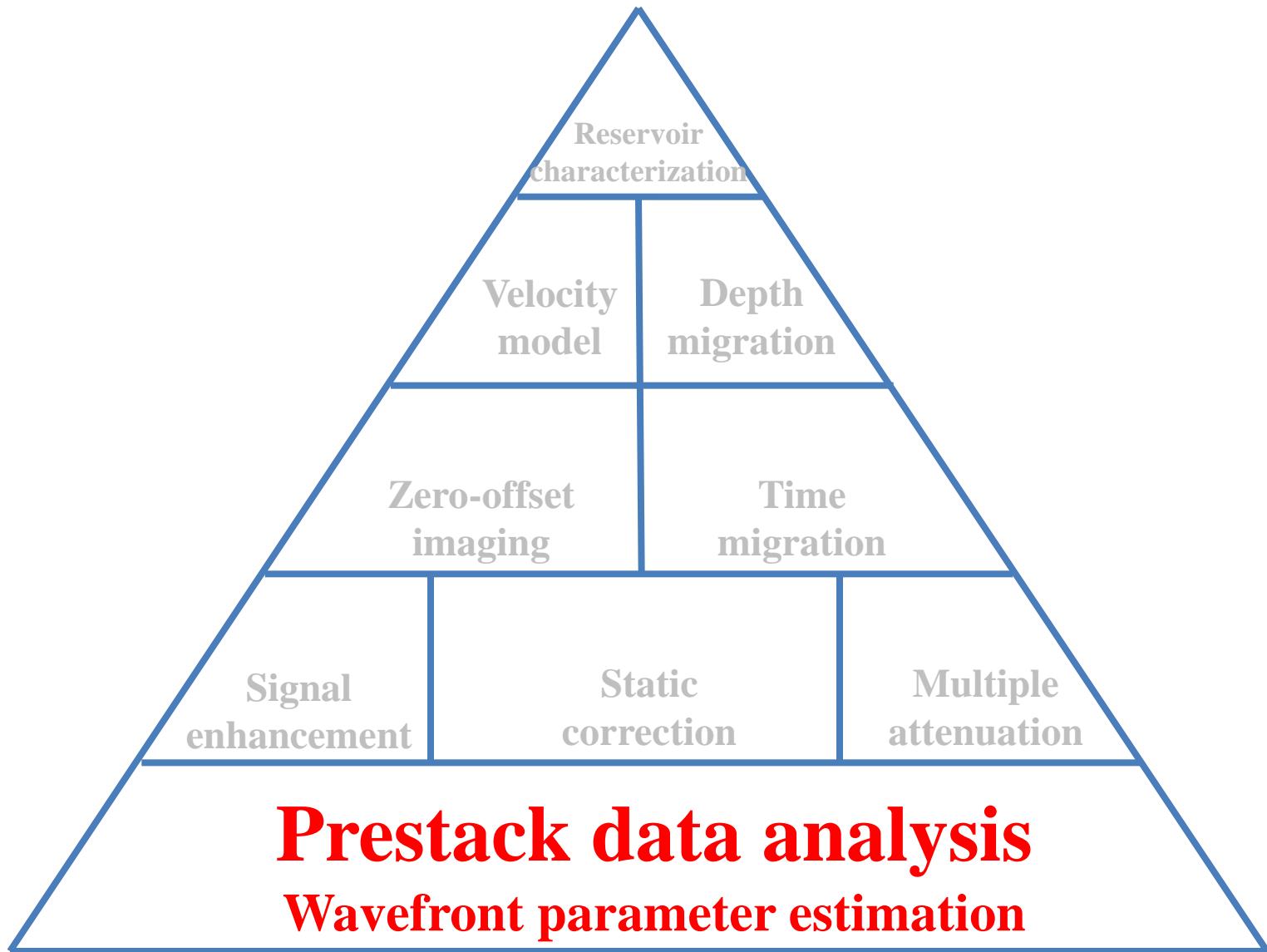
Local time correction equation is a key to successful time imaging. Good time correction should satisfy two conditions:

- 1. *It should be valid for arbitrary media***
- 2. *It should be valid for arbitrary observation geometry***

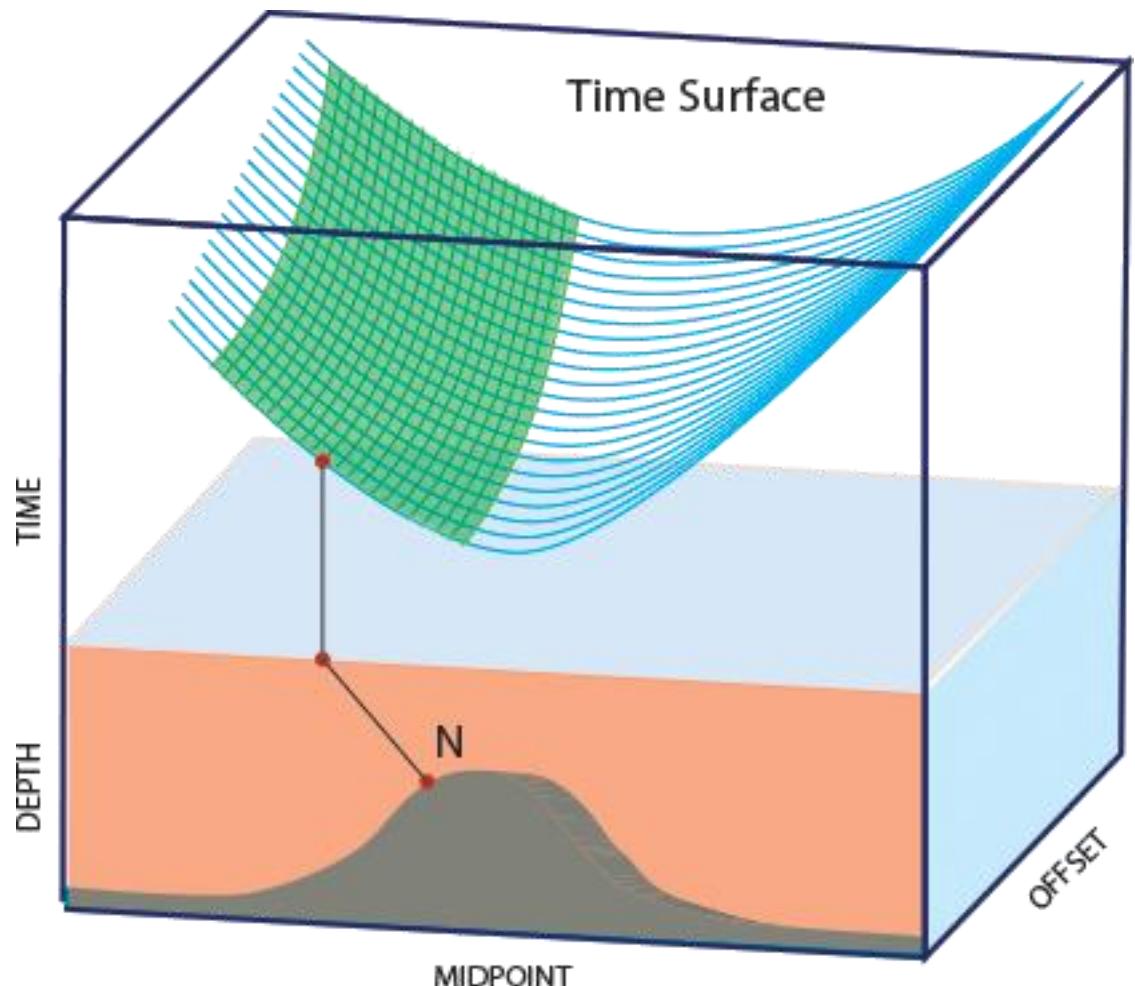
In practice it implies that:

- a) the time correction formula should be model independent
- b) the formula is valid for arbitrary distribution of source-receiver pairs

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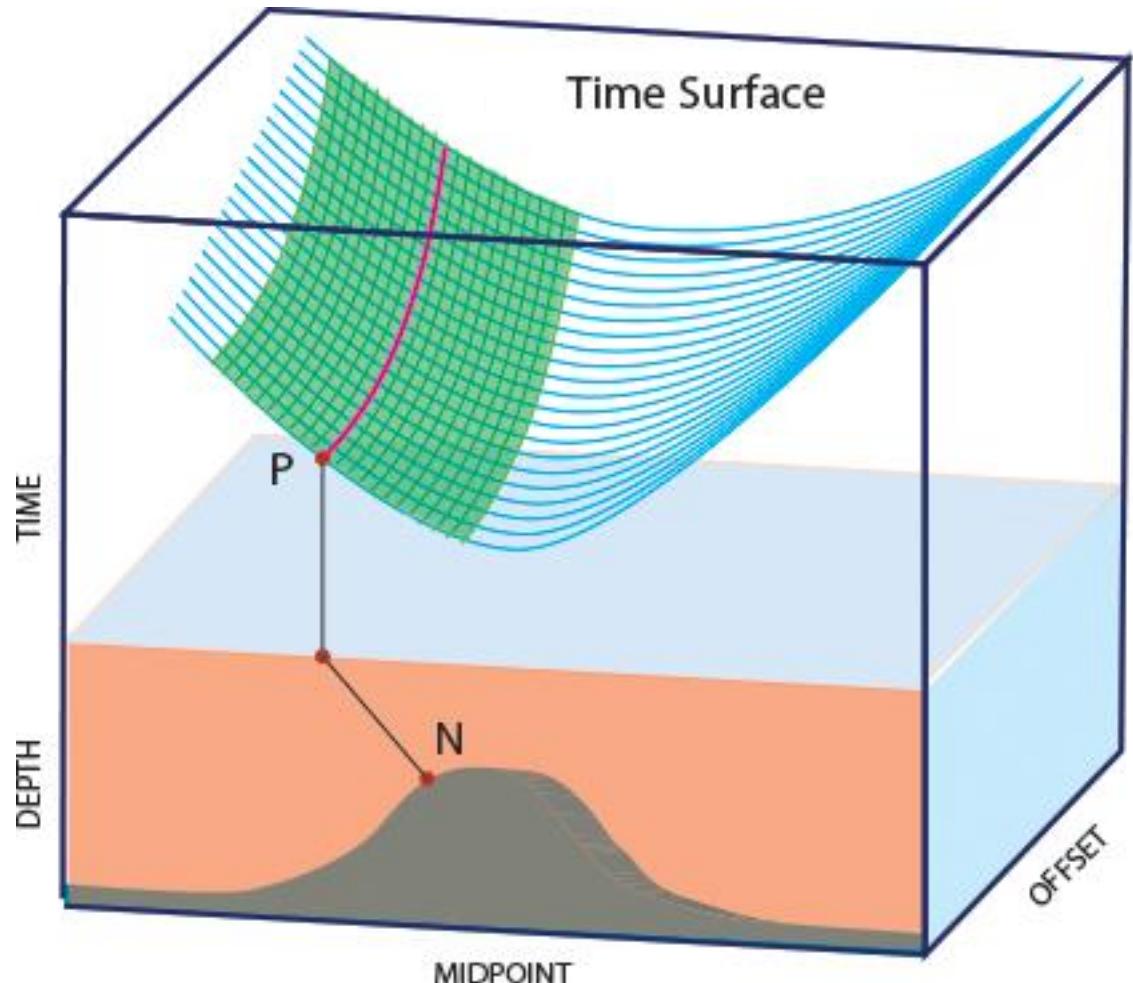


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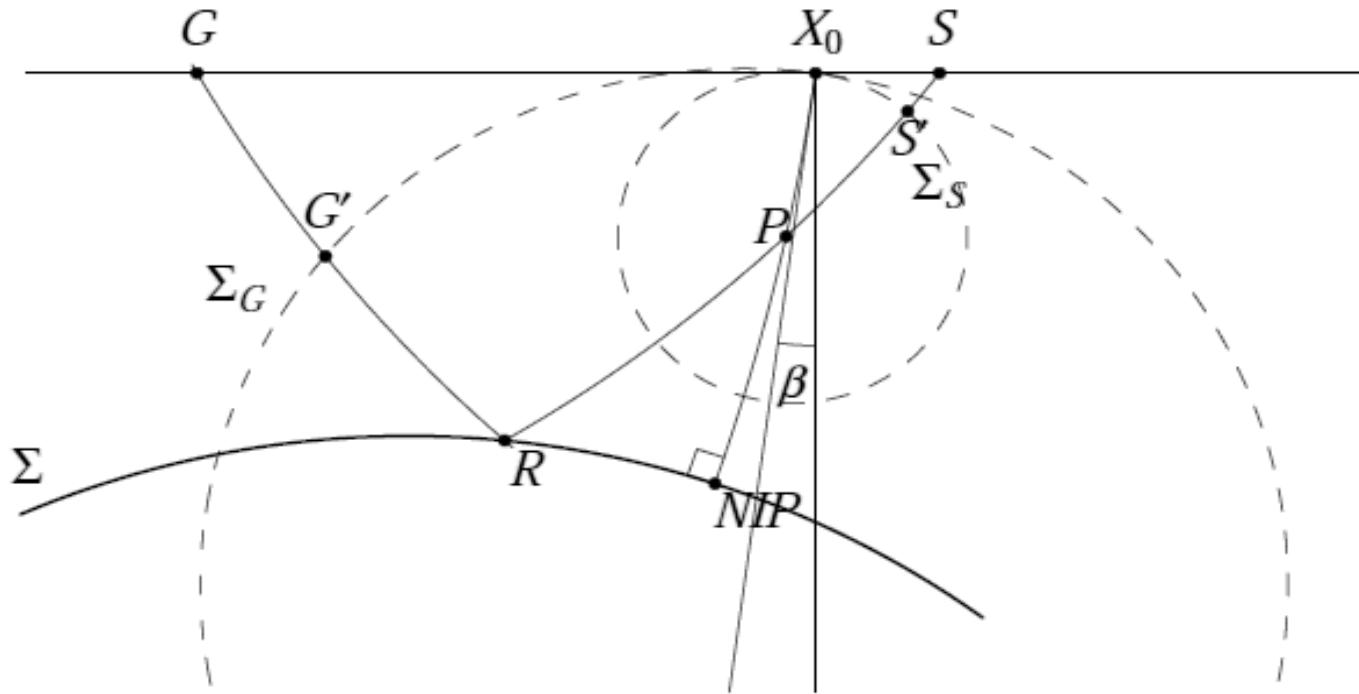
Actual traveltime surface is shown in blue. MF surface is shown in green.

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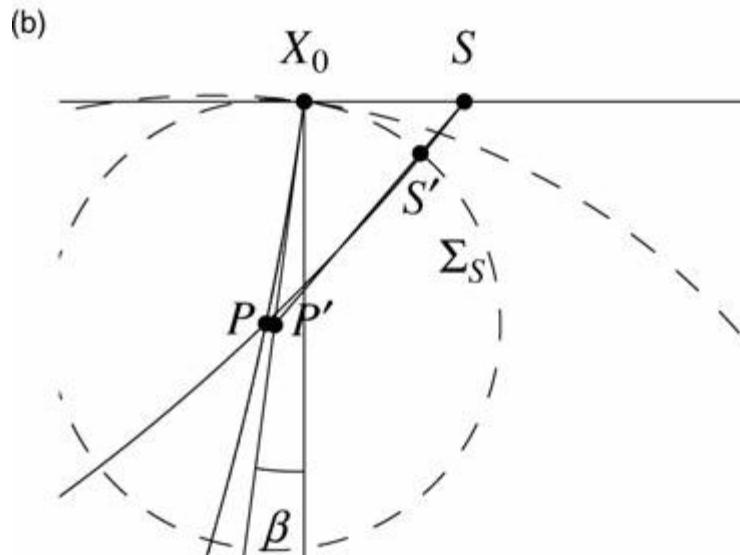


Actual traveltime surface is shown in blue. MF surface is shown in green. The purple line shows CMP trajectory for point P.

Multifocusing: Ray scheme zero-offset case



A central (normal) ray starts at the central point X_0 at an angle β with the vertical, hits the reflector Σ at the normal-incidence point NIP and turns back to X_0 . Its reflection travelttime is denoted by T_0 . A neighboring (paraxial) ray from the source point S , reflecting at R and emerging at the receiver G . The purpose of multifocusing is to express the travelttime $S-R-G$ in terms of T_0 and two corrections at S and G . This is done by considering a fictitious wave, which initially has the wavefront Σ_s , then implodes and focuses at the intersection point P of the normal and paraxial ray and emerges at X_0 as the wavefront Σ_G .

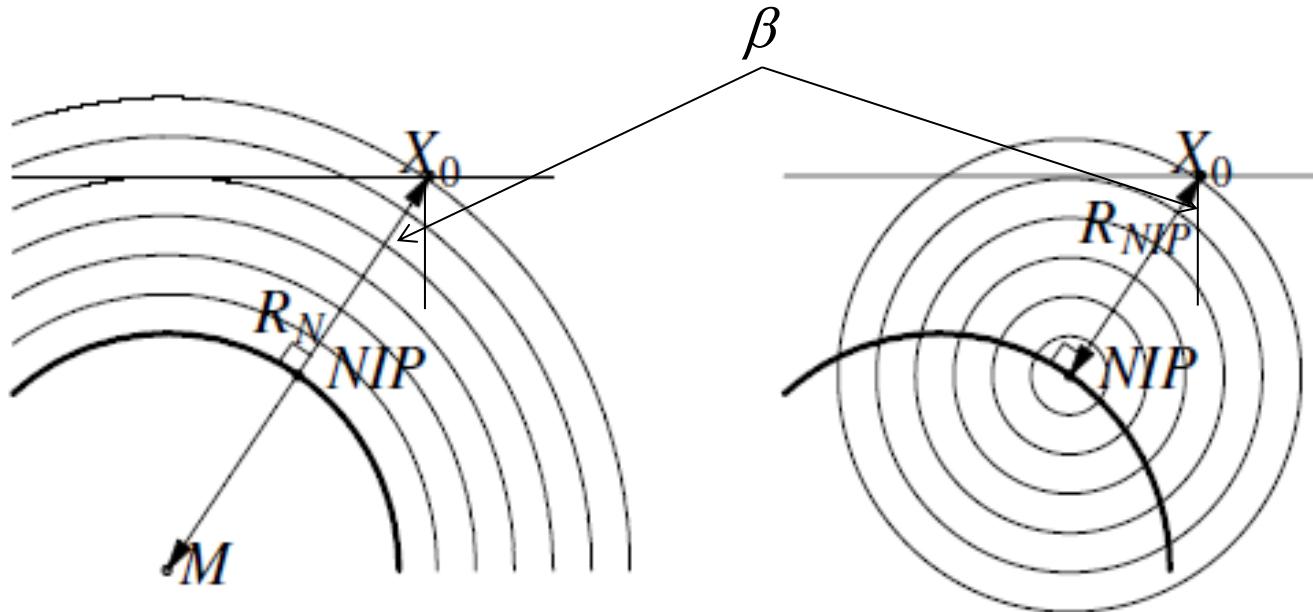


The corrections can be approximated by straight ray segments SS' and GG' . The normal ray is rectified along its tangent at X_0 and the point P is chosen so that $X_0P = X_0P'$. Then in the triangle $P - X_0 - S$ we apply the law of cosines and obtain the correction for the traveltime along SS' . The result for both S and G is a double-square root equation for the traveltime, which is expressed as follows:

$$\Delta t = \frac{\sqrt{(R^+)^2 + 2 \sin \beta_0 R^+ \Delta X^+ + (\Delta X^+)^2} - R^+}{V_0} + \frac{\sqrt{(R^-)^2 - 2 \sin \beta_0 R^- \Delta X^- + (\Delta X^-)^2} - R^-}{V_0}.$$

R^+ and R^- are the radii of curvature of the fictitious wave fronts Σ_s and Σ_G , respectively. By moving the source and receiver point along the surface, the focusing point P is moved up and down along the normal ray – hence the name multifocusing. Based on dynamic ray theory, it is possible to show that the radii R^+ and R^- are related to the radii of curvature of the two fundamental wave fronts corresponding to the normal (N) and NIP wave

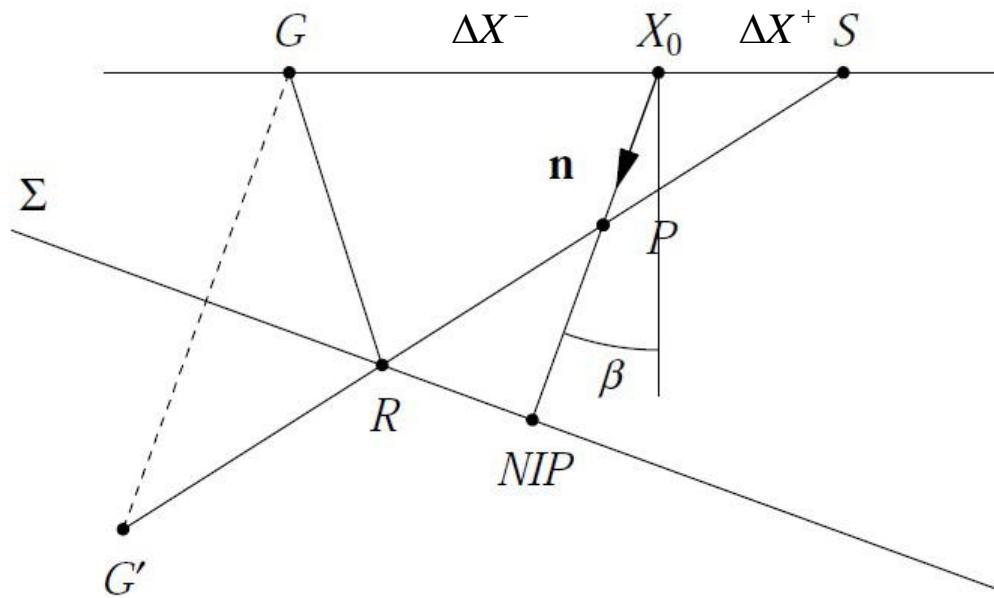
$$R^\pm = \frac{1 \pm \sigma}{\frac{1}{R_N} \pm \frac{\sigma}{R_{NIP}}}$$



Geometrical meaning of R_N and R_{NIP} -waves.

The N-wave radius of curvature is related to reflector curvature, the NIP-wave radius of curvature to its depth.

Focusing quantity σ for plane reflector



$$\sigma = \frac{\Delta X^+ - \Delta X^-}{\Delta X^+ + \Delta X^- + 2 \frac{\Delta X^+ \Delta X^-}{R_{NIP}} \sin \beta}$$

- Defines the location of the focusing point P along the central ray
- Is used to classify subsets of super-gather, e.g., common-shot, common-receiver, common-midpoint
- The quantity σ is *not a fixed parameter, but depends on source and receiver location*
- A σ function can be designed for every reflector geometry, such that the MF moveout is *exact*

σ -is the *focusing parameter*, which defines the position of the focusing point P on the normal ray

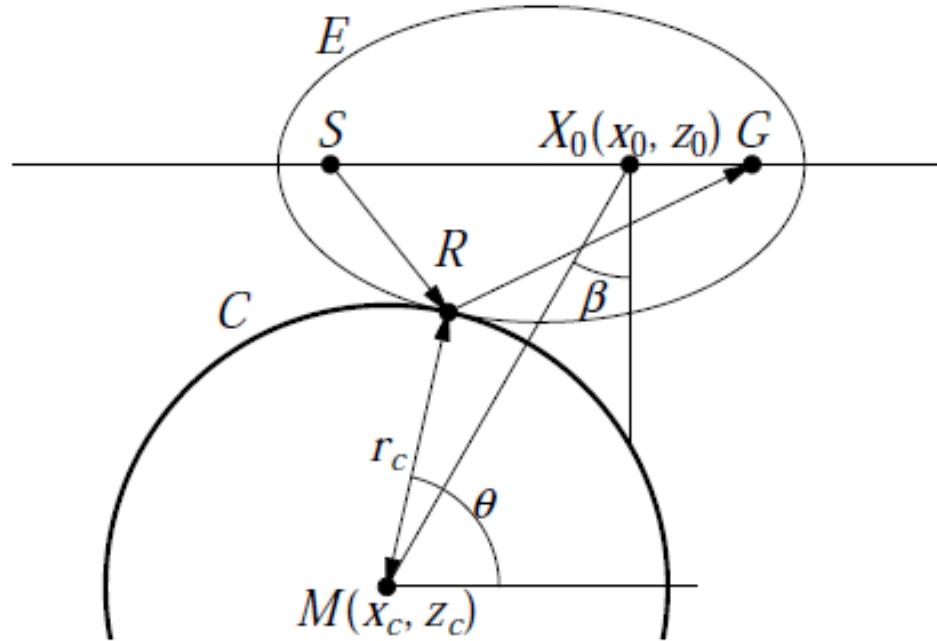
$\sigma = 0$ means that $R^+ = R^- = R_N$ which implies that point P coincides with the centre of curvature of the normal wave and corresponds to the case of coinciding source and receiver (zero-offset configuration).

$\sigma = 1$ or -1 imply $R^+ = 0$ or $R^- = 0$ and correspond to the common shot or common receiver configuration

$\sigma = \infty$ leads to $R^+ = R^- = R_{NIP}$ and corresponds to the situation where the focusing point P coincides with NIP. CRP configuration

Spherical Multifocusing

Reflection travel time and σ on spherical reflector

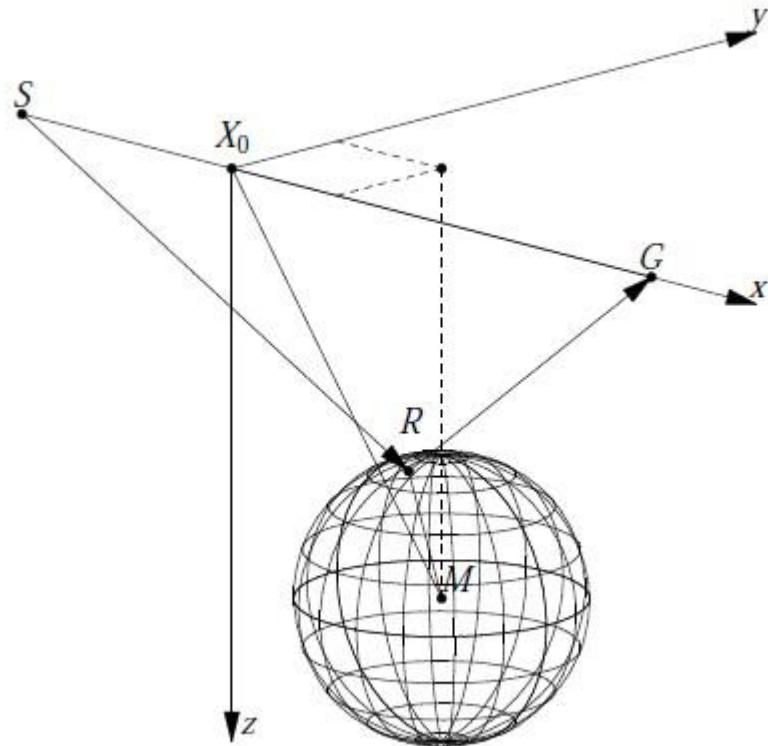


$$R_N = [(x_0 - x_c)^2 + (z_0 - z_c)^2]^{1/2}, \quad R_{NIP} = R_N - r_c,$$

$$\sin \beta = (x_c - x_0)/R_N$$

exact for curved reflectors of all curvatures!

Spherical Multifocusing in 3D



Four MF attributes: β , R_{nip} , R_n and inclination φ

COMMON REFLECTION SURFACE STACK (CRS)

Taylor expansion of the squared traveltime moveout $T_2(x_m, h)$ as a function of the common midpoint (CMP) location $x_m = (x_s + x_g)/2$ and half-offset $h = (x_s - x_g)/2$ around a central CMP location x_0 .

$$\begin{aligned} T^2(x_m, h) &= (T_0 + A(x_m - x_0))^2 + B(x_m - x_0)^2 \\ &\quad + Ch^2 + O((x_m - x_0)^3, h^4). \end{aligned}$$

$$A = \frac{2 \sin \beta}{v_0}, \quad B = \frac{2 T_0 \cos^2 \beta}{v_0 R_N}, \quad C = \frac{2 T_0 \cos^2 \beta}{v_0 R_{NIP}}.$$

MF versus CRS

Multifocusing method: single CMP

$$\Delta\tau_{CMP}^{MF} = \frac{\sqrt{(R^+)^2 + 2R^+h \sin \beta + h^2} - R^+}{V_0} + \frac{\sqrt{(R^-)^2 - 2R^-h \sin \beta + h^2} - R^-}{V_0}$$

$$R^\pm = \frac{1 \pm \sigma}{\frac{1}{R_N} \pm \frac{\sigma}{R_{NIP}}}$$

$$\sigma = -\frac{R_{NIP}}{h \sin \beta}$$

$R_N = \infty$ (plane reflector)

$$t_{MF} = t_0 - t_p + \sqrt{t_p^2 + \frac{h^2 \cos^2 \beta}{V_0^2}}$$

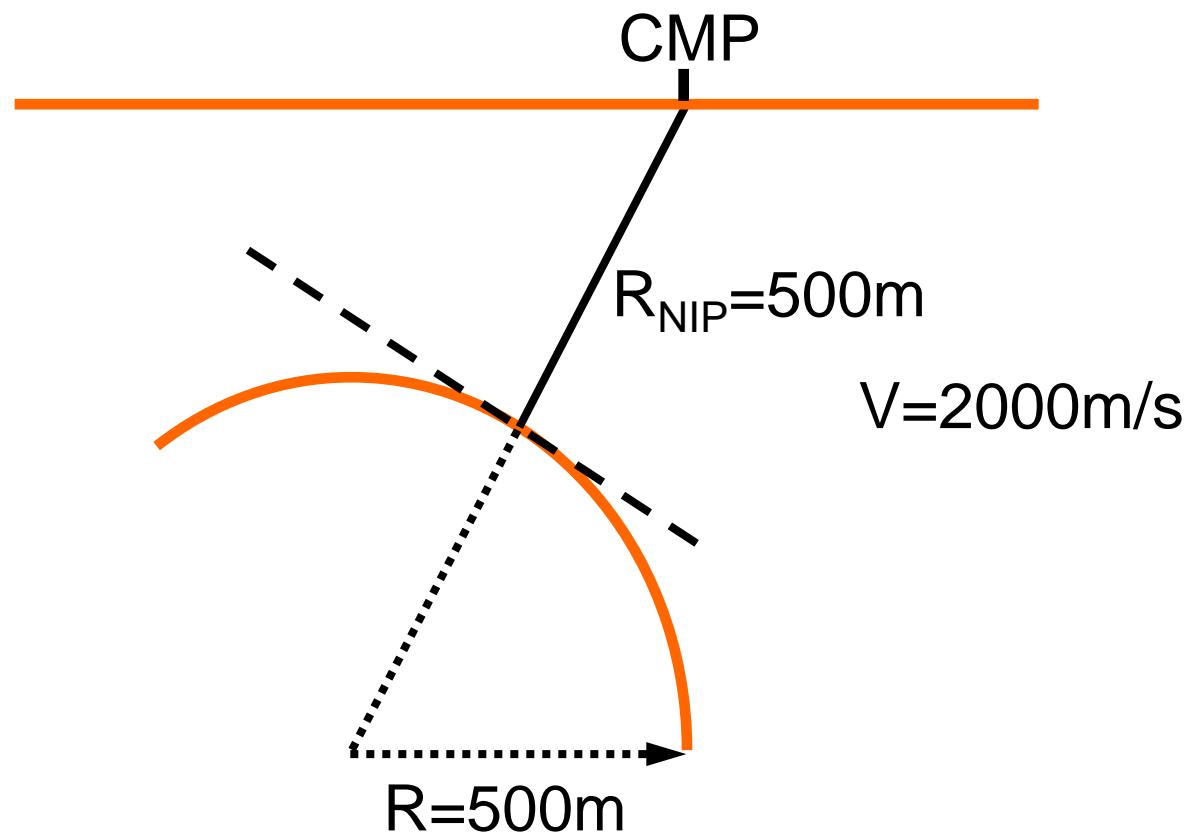
Shifted hyperbola of de Bazelaire, $t_p = 2R_{NIP}/V_0$

CRS method: single CMP

$$t_{CMP}^{CRS} = \sqrt{t_0^2 + \frac{h^2}{V_{st}^2}}$$

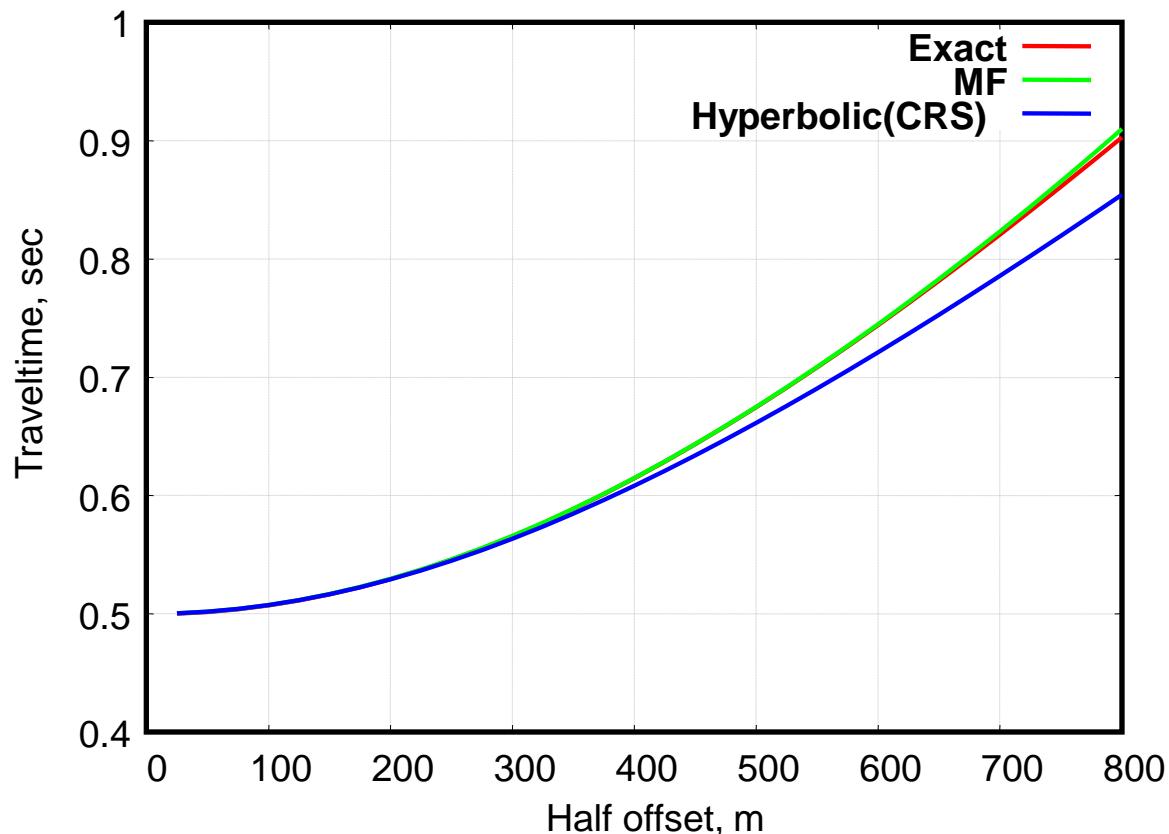
MF versus CRS

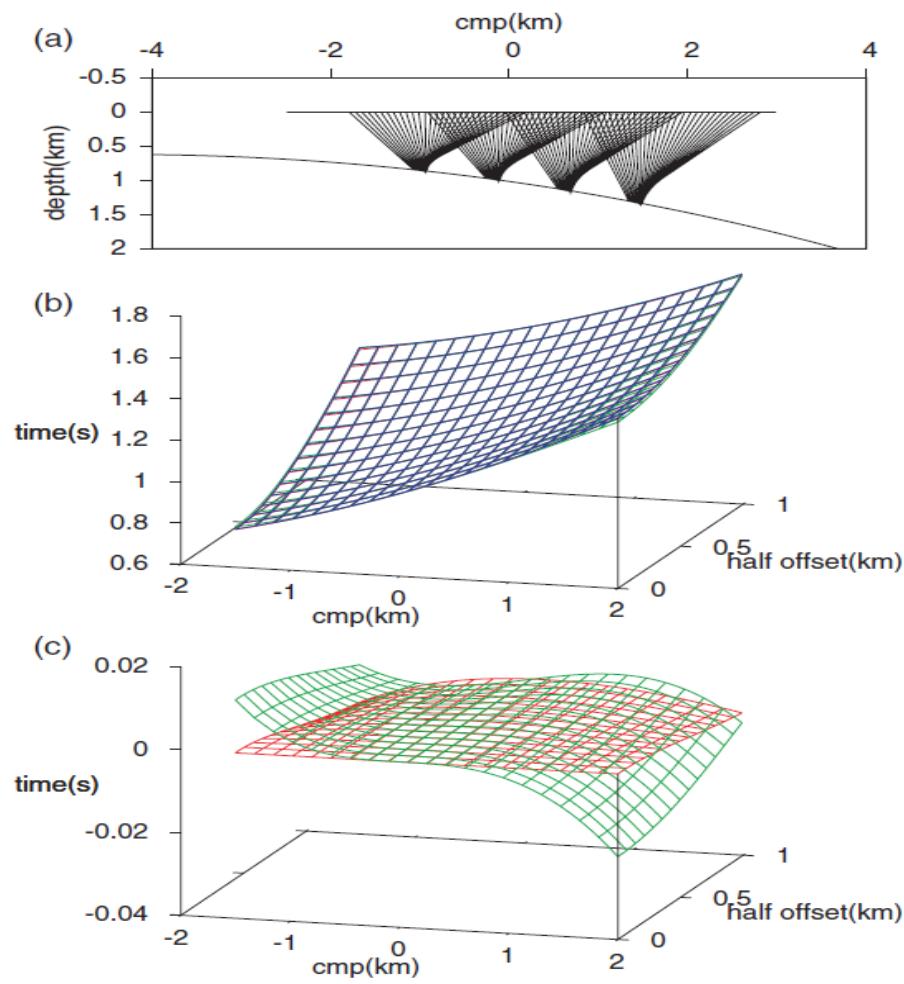
Circular reflector - one CMP



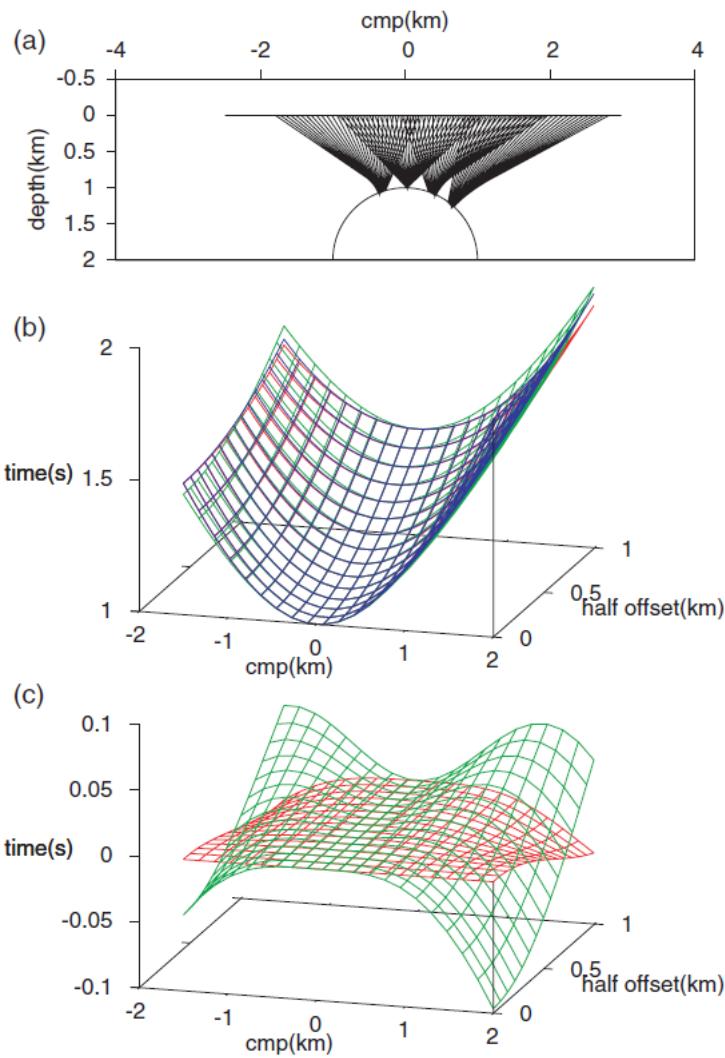
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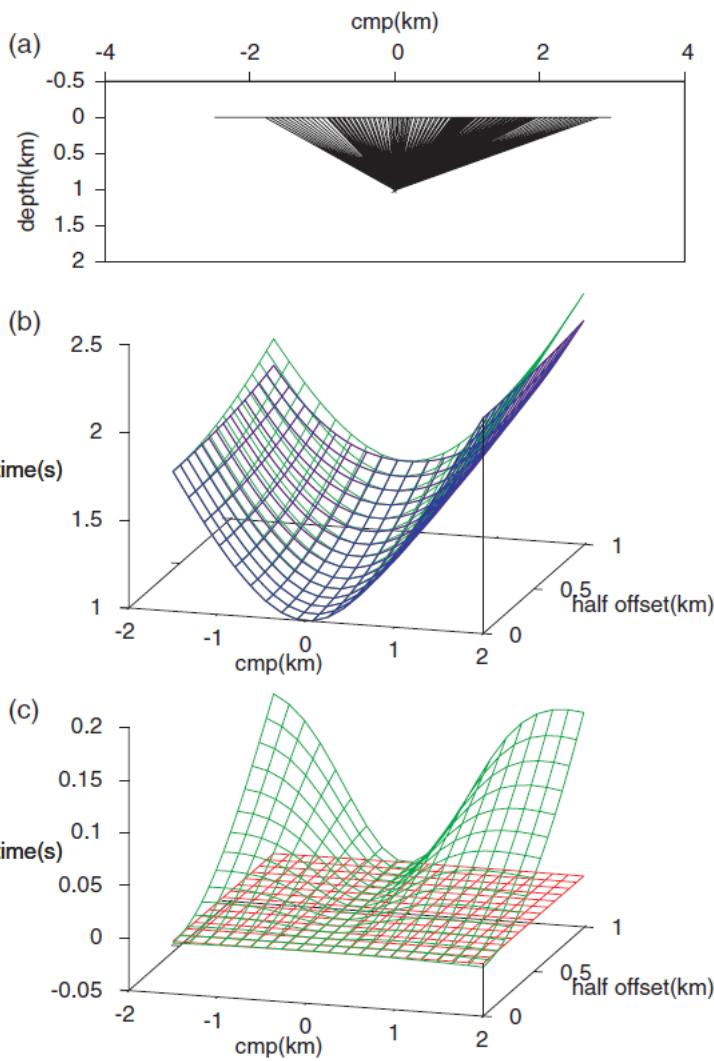




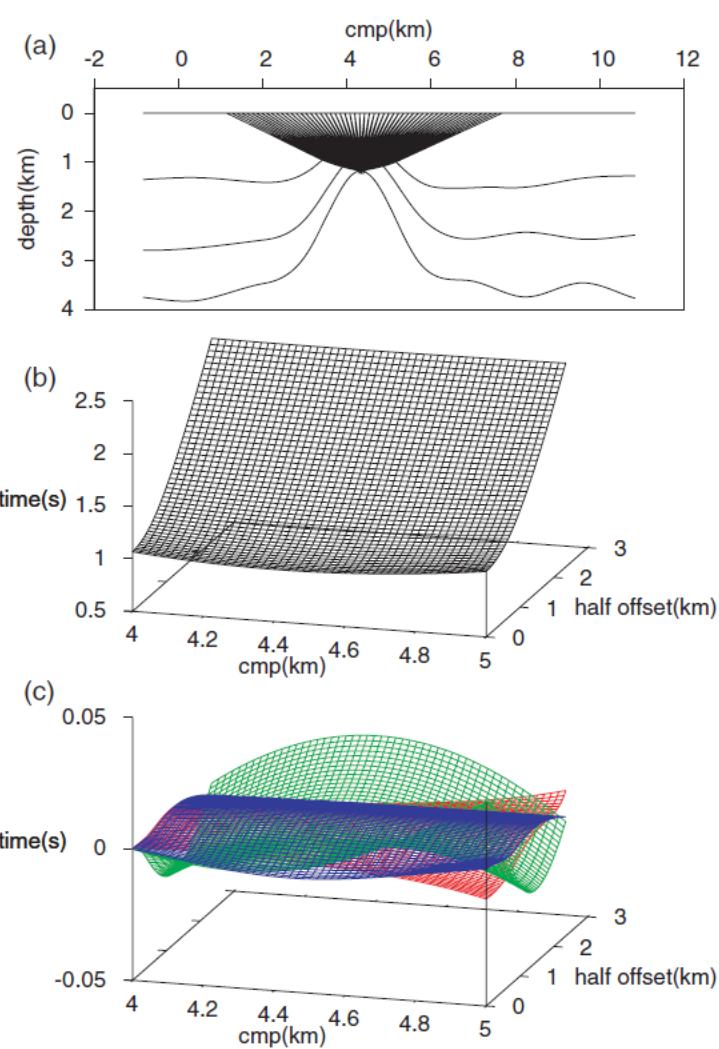
Gently curved reflector. a) Ray geometry. b) Moveout surfaces: common-reflection surface CRS (green), planar multifocusing (red), spherical multifocusing (blue). The spherical multifocusing expression is exact for this case. Note that the planar multifocusing moveout coincides almost completely with the spherical multifocusing move-out. c) Moveout errors: CRS (green), planar multifocusing (red).



Strongly curved reflector. a) Ray geometry. b) Moveout surfaces: common-reflection surface CRS (green), planar multifocusing (red), spherical multifocusing (blue). The spherical multifocusing expression is exact for this case. c) Moveout errors: CRS (green), planar multifocusing (red).

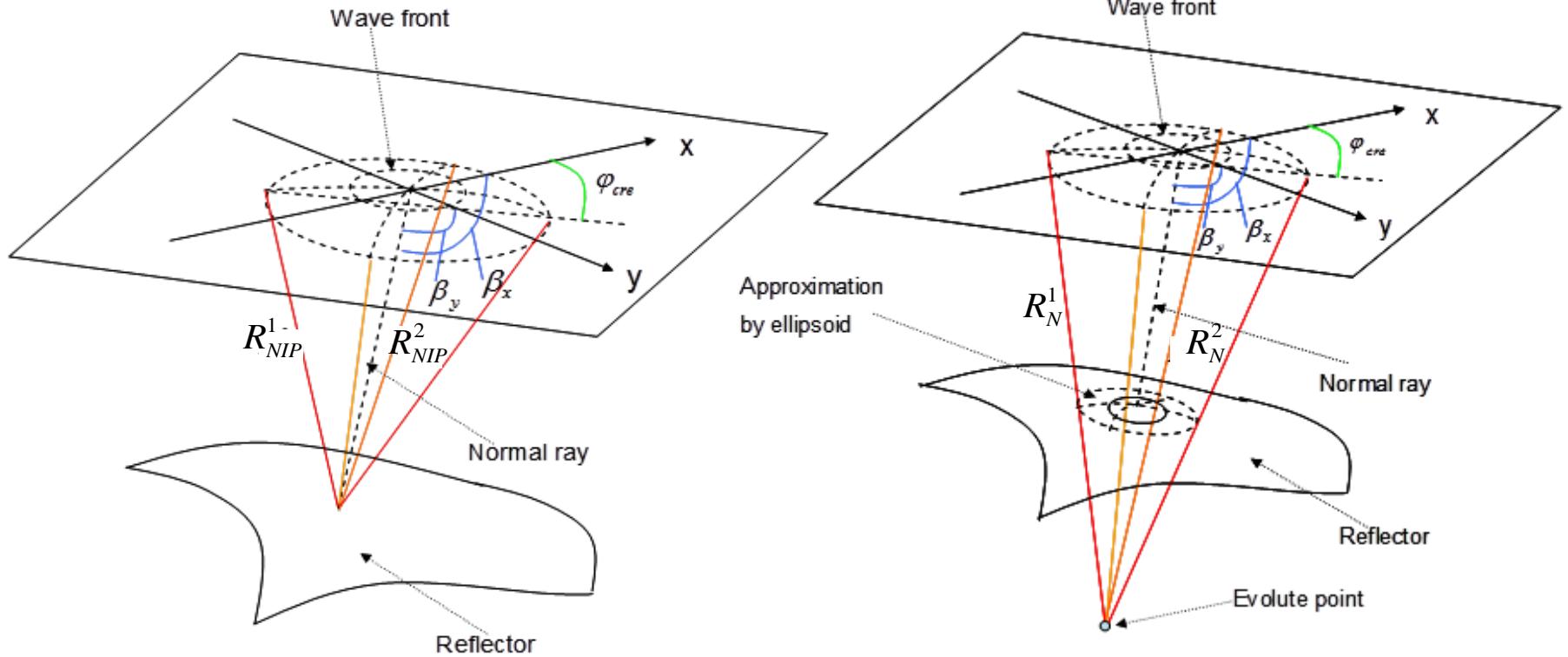


Limit to point diffractor. a) Ray geometry. b) Moveout surfaces: common-reflection surface CRS (green), planar multifocusing (red), spherical multifocusing (blue). The spherical multifocusing expression is exact for this case. c) Moveout errors: CRS (green), planar multifocusing (red).



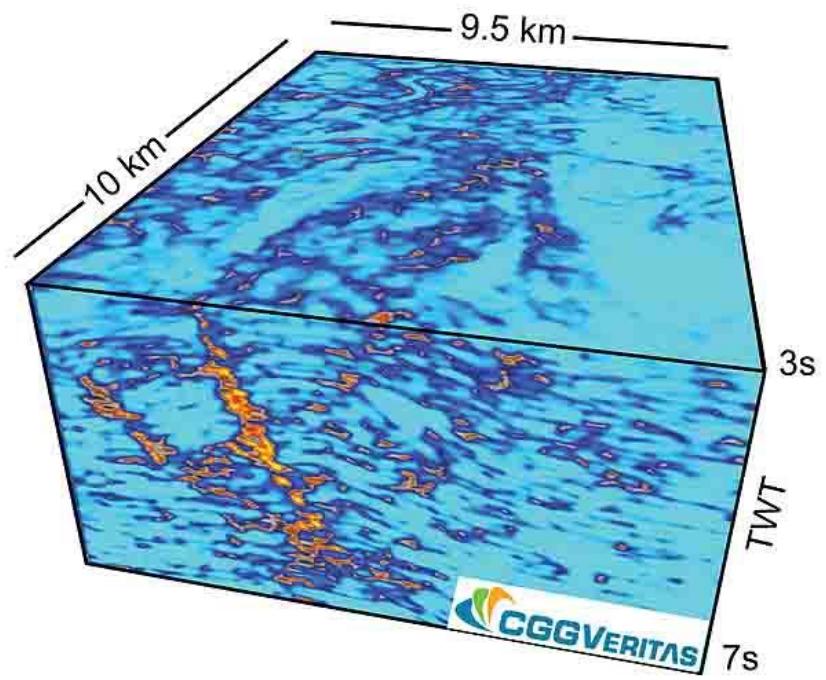
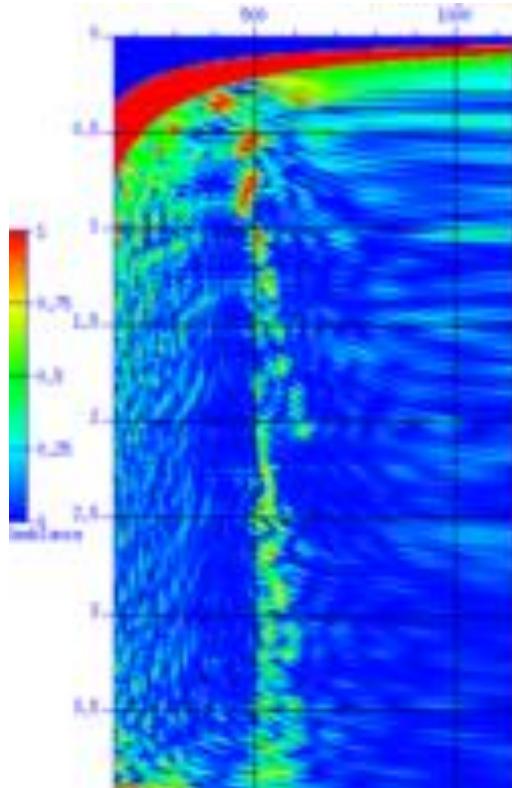
Multilayered model. a) Ray geometry. b) Moveout surface from raytracing. c) Moveout errors: CRS (green), planar multifocusing (red), spherical multifocusing (blue).

Non-CMP based seismic data analysis, processing and imaging: 3D case

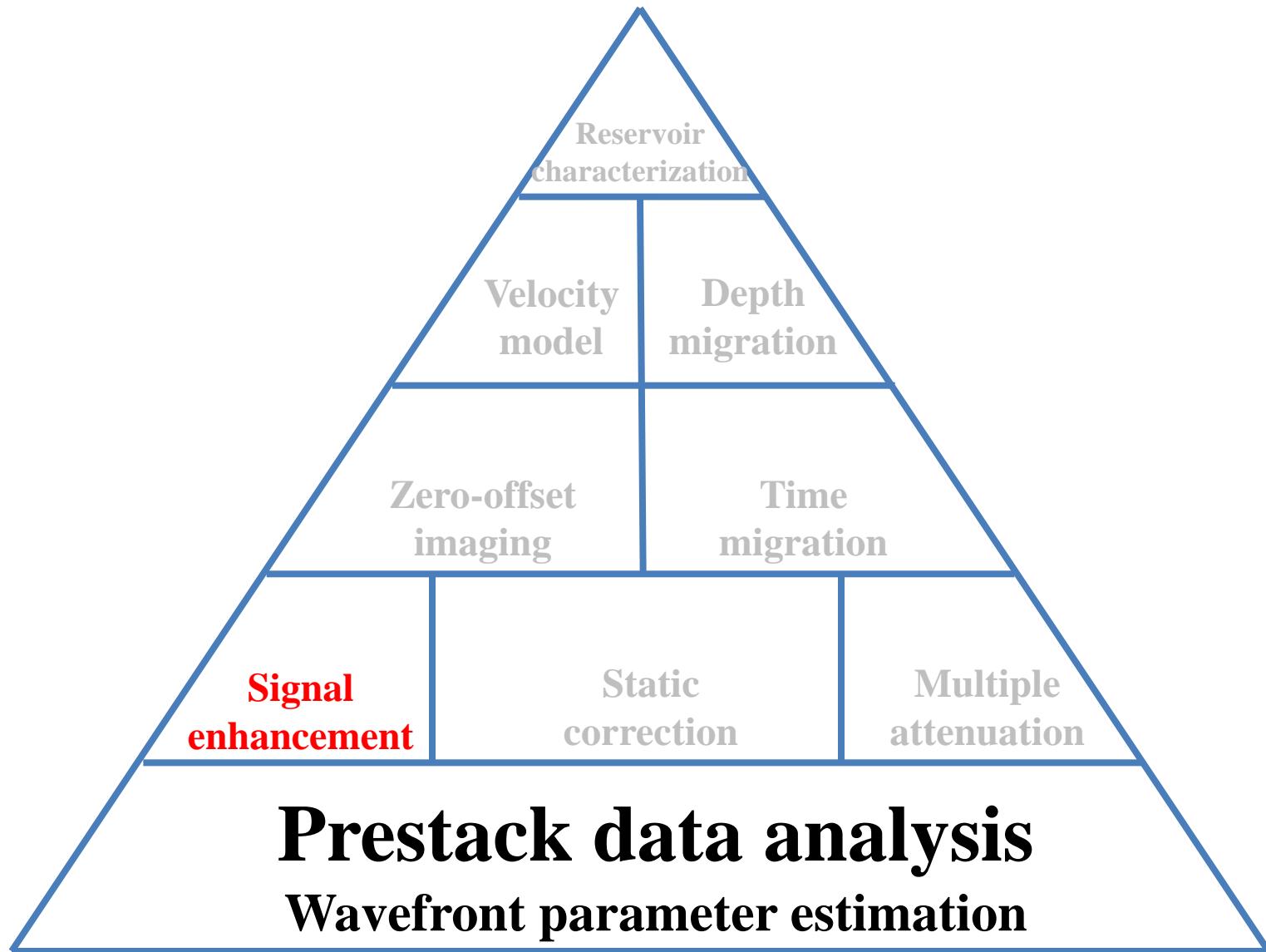


$$T(\vec{x}_0, \vec{x}_s, \vec{x}_r) = F(\vec{x}_s, \vec{x}_r, \vec{c}) = F(\Delta\vec{x}_s, \Delta\vec{x}_r, \vec{\beta}, \vec{R}_{NIP}, \vec{R}_N, V_0)$$

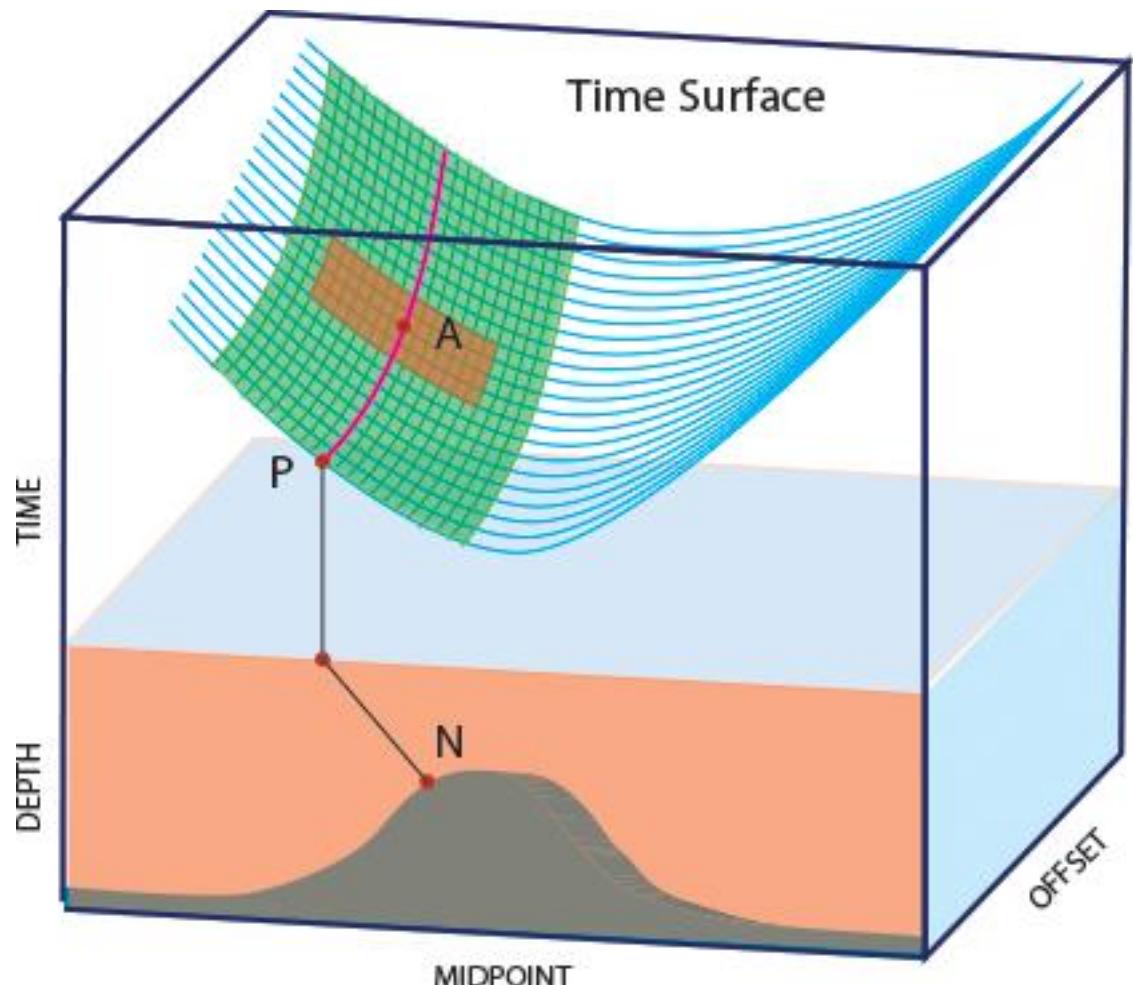
$$\vec{c} = \max_{\vec{c}} [F[\sum_{\vec{s}, \vec{r} \in \sigma} u(t + \tau(\vec{s}, \vec{r}, \vec{c}))]]$$



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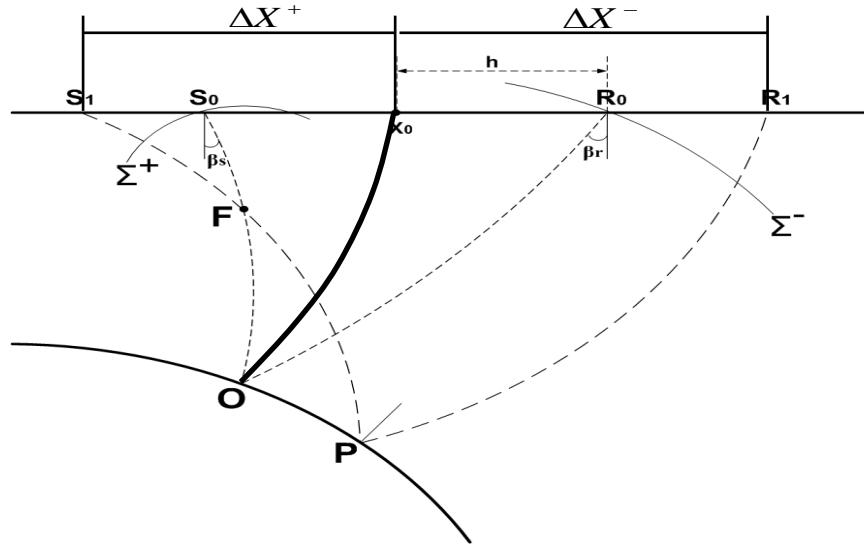


Non-CMP based seismic data analysis, processing and imaging



Time surface is shown in green. The purple line shows CMP trajectory for point P. Local time surface is shown in red around point A.

CO Multifocusing: ray scheme



$$\Delta t = \frac{\sqrt{(R^+)^2 + 2\sin\beta_s R^+ \Delta X^+ + (\Delta X^+)^2} - R^+}{V_0} + \frac{\sqrt{(R^-)^2 - 2\sin\beta_r R^- \Delta X^- + (\Delta X^-)^2} - R^-}{V_0}.$$

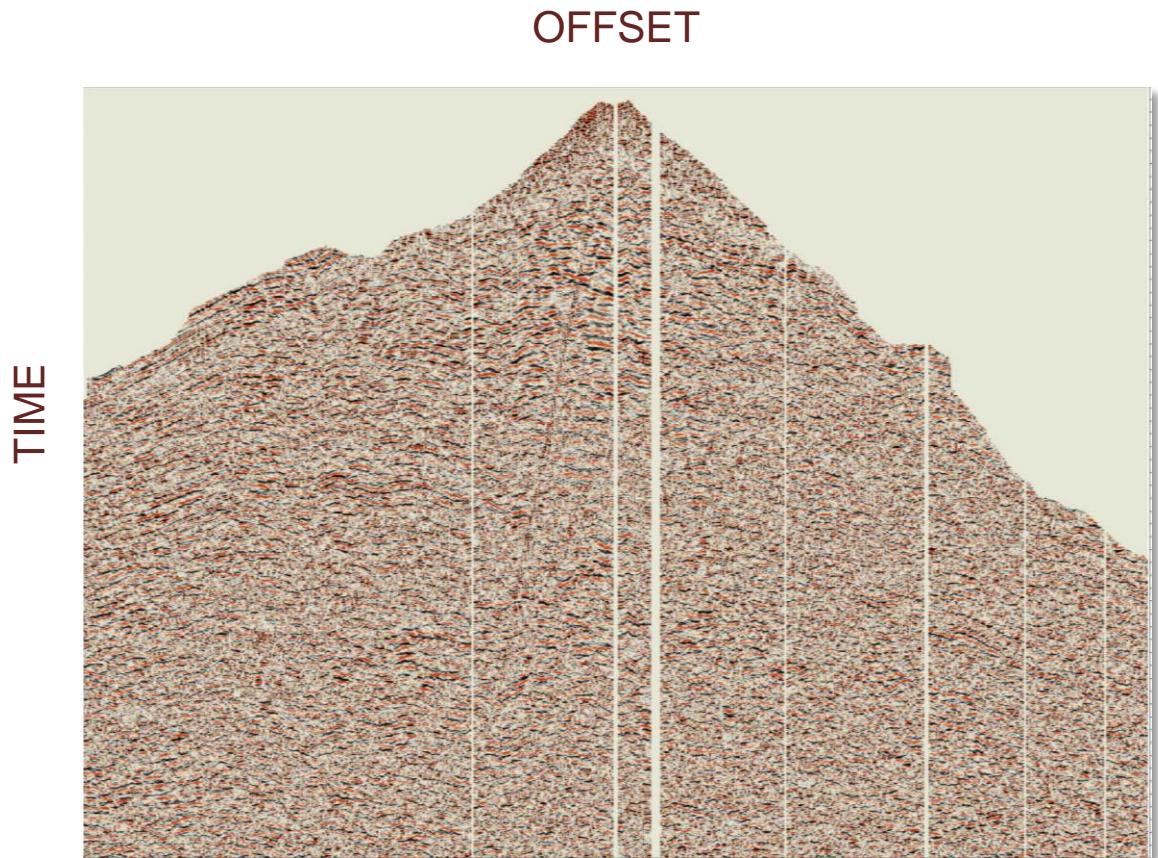
$$R^\pm = \frac{1+\sigma}{\frac{1}{R_1^\pm} + \frac{\sigma}{R_2^\pm}}, \quad \frac{1}{R_{1,2}^\pm} = \pm \frac{1}{2L} + \frac{1}{R_{s,r}},$$

$$\Delta X^+ = \frac{(1+\sigma)}{\cos\beta_s} Y + \frac{\sin\beta_s}{\cos^2\beta_s} (1+\sigma) \left(\frac{1}{R_1^+} + \frac{\sigma}{R_2^+} \right)^2 Y^2$$

$$\Delta X^- = \frac{(1-\sigma)}{\cos\beta_r} Y + \frac{\sin\beta_r}{\cos^2\beta_r} (1-\sigma) \left(\frac{1}{R_1^-} - \frac{\sigma}{R_2^-} \right)^2 Y^2$$

- Local waveform parameters estimated for each X, Y position and for each time sample allow to perform local coherent summation around each time-space sample
- It overcomes hyperbolic assumption for traveltime approximation

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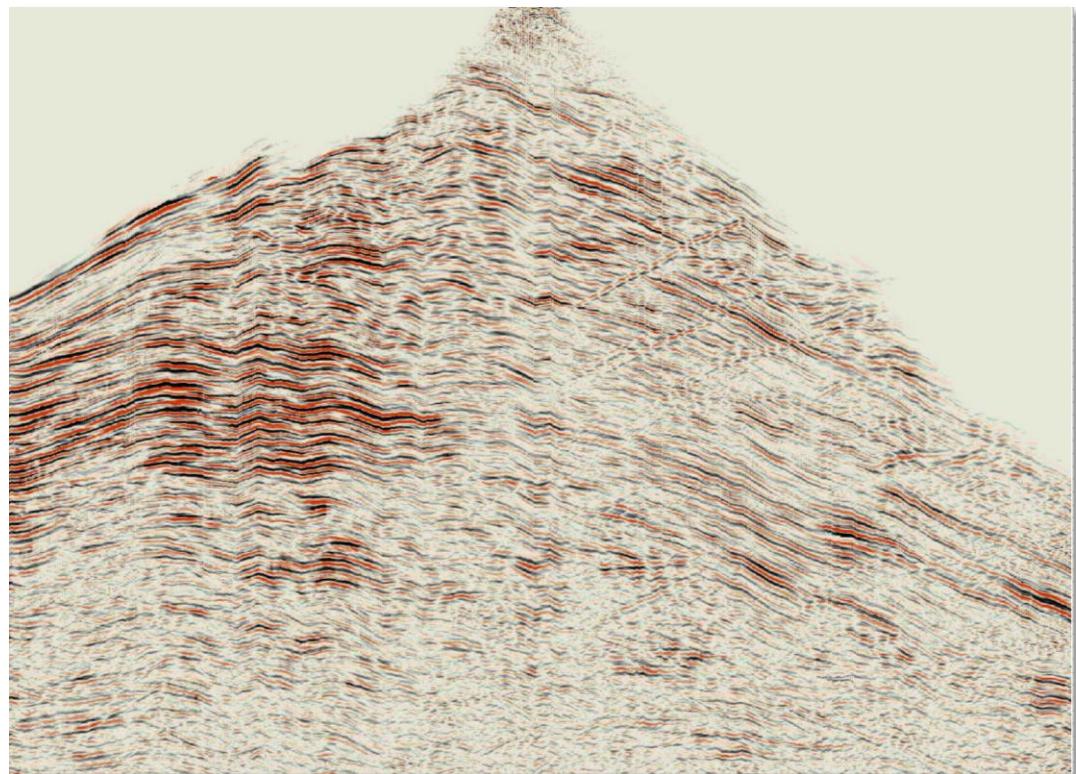


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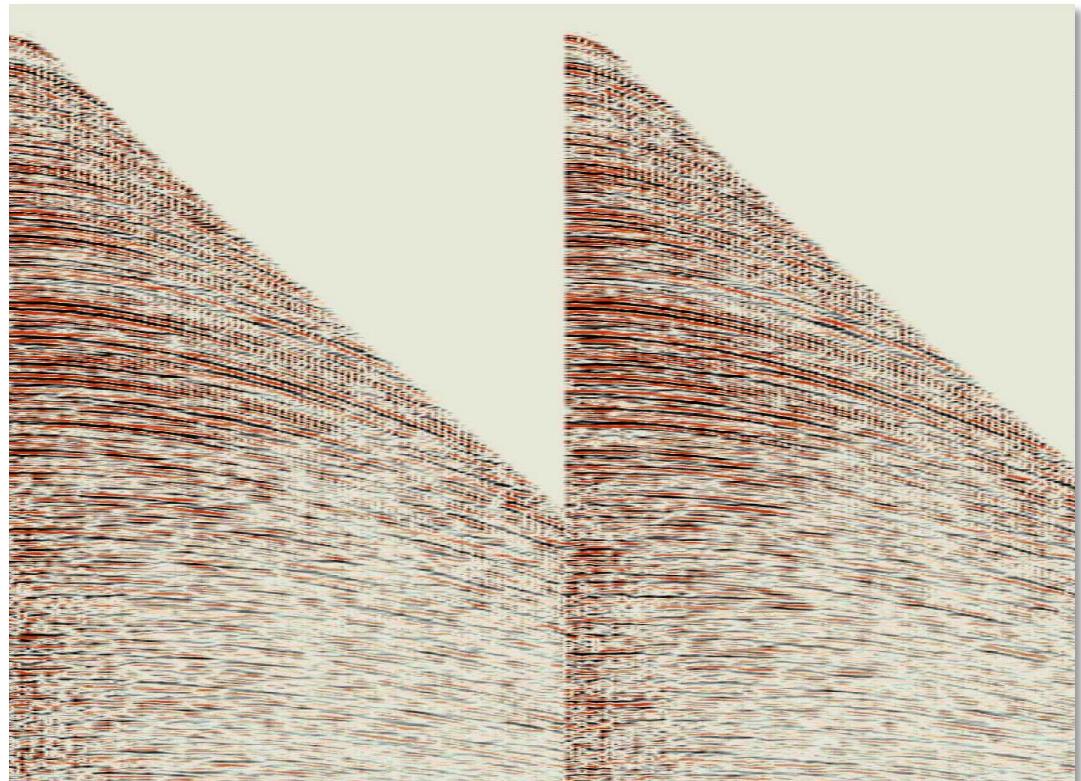


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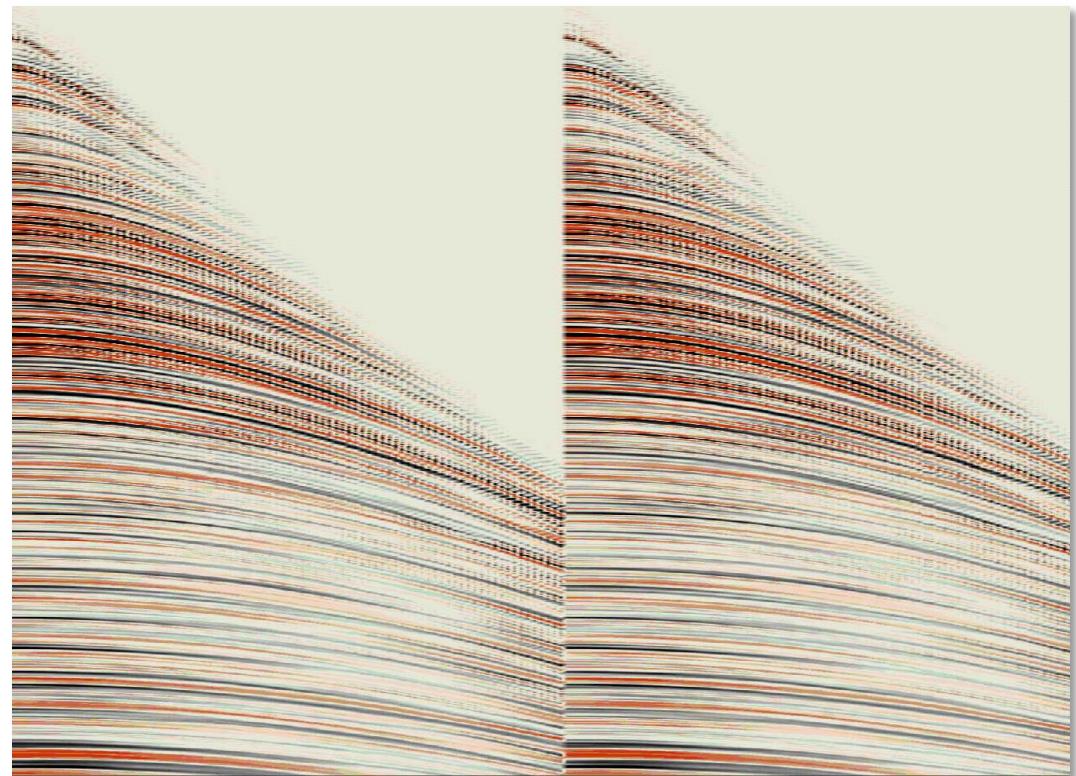


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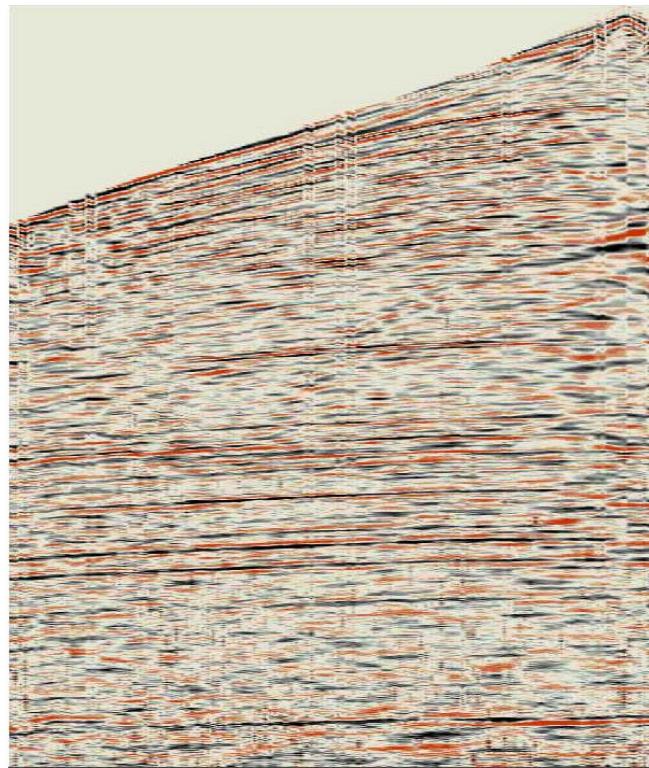


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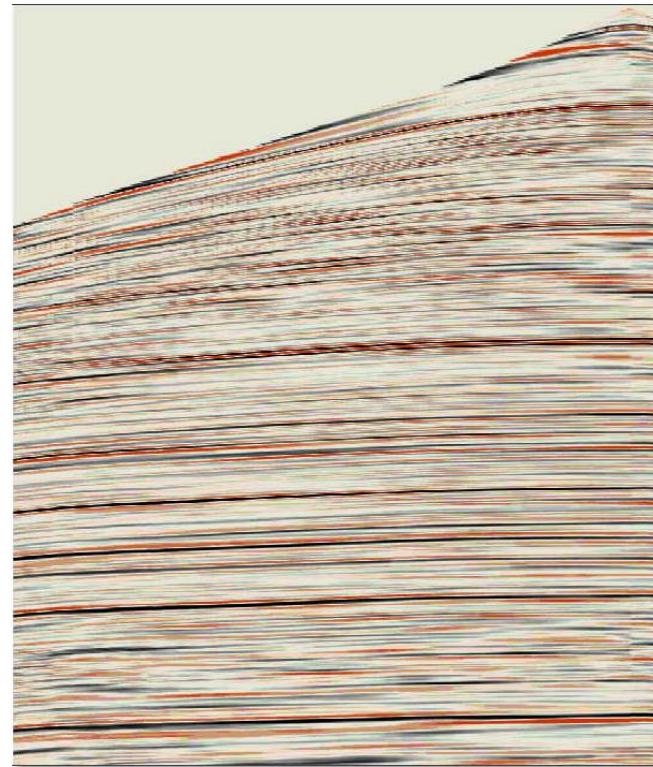


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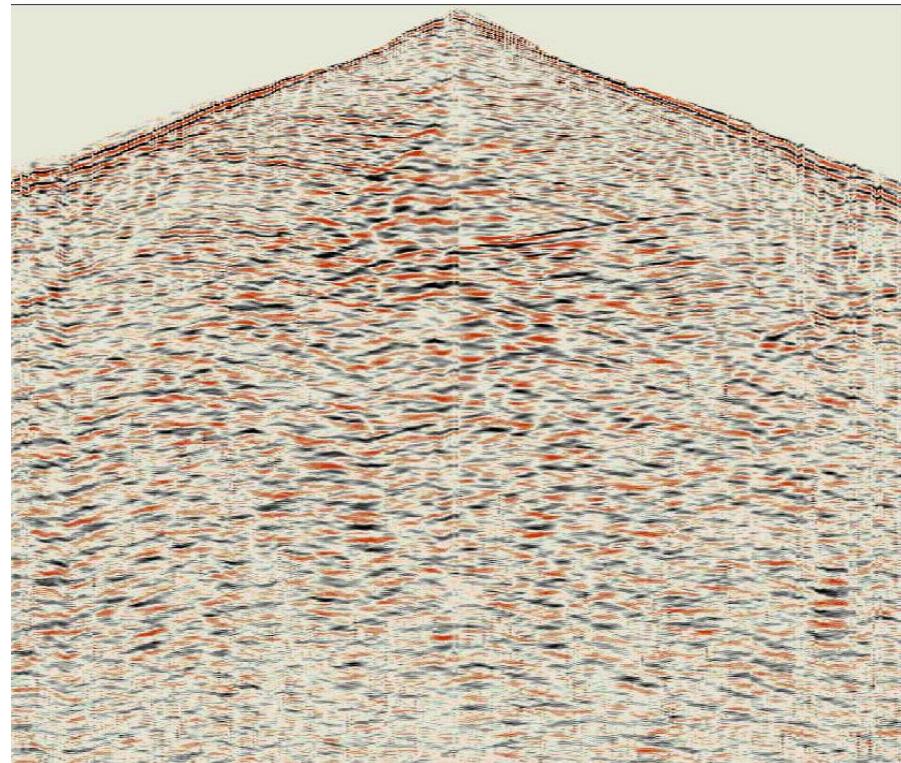


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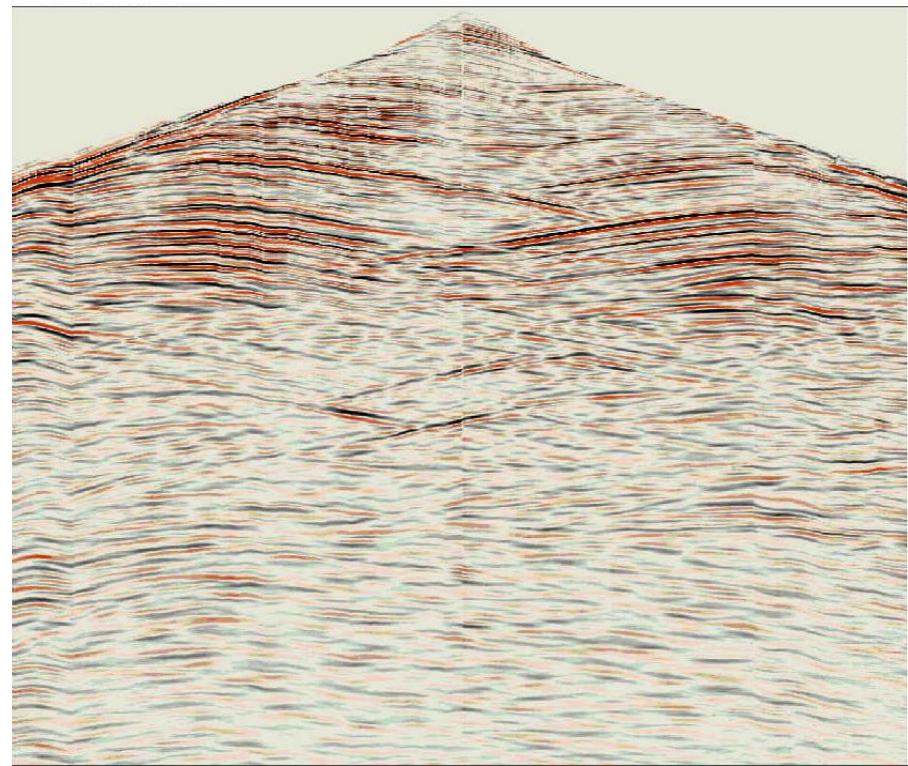


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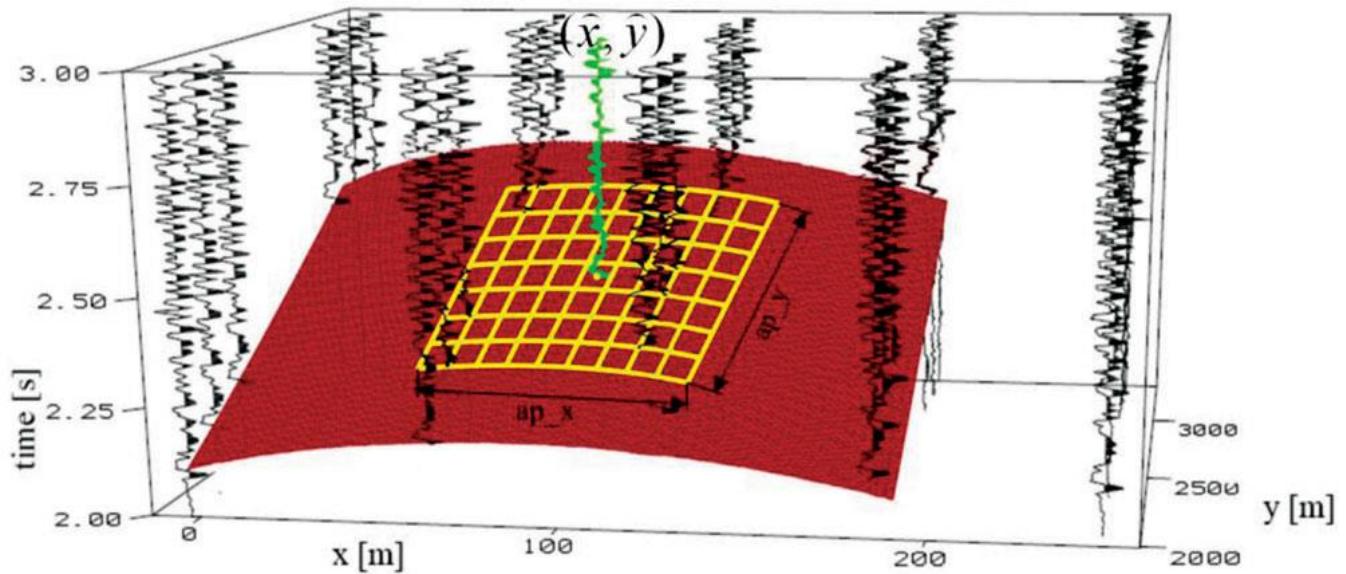
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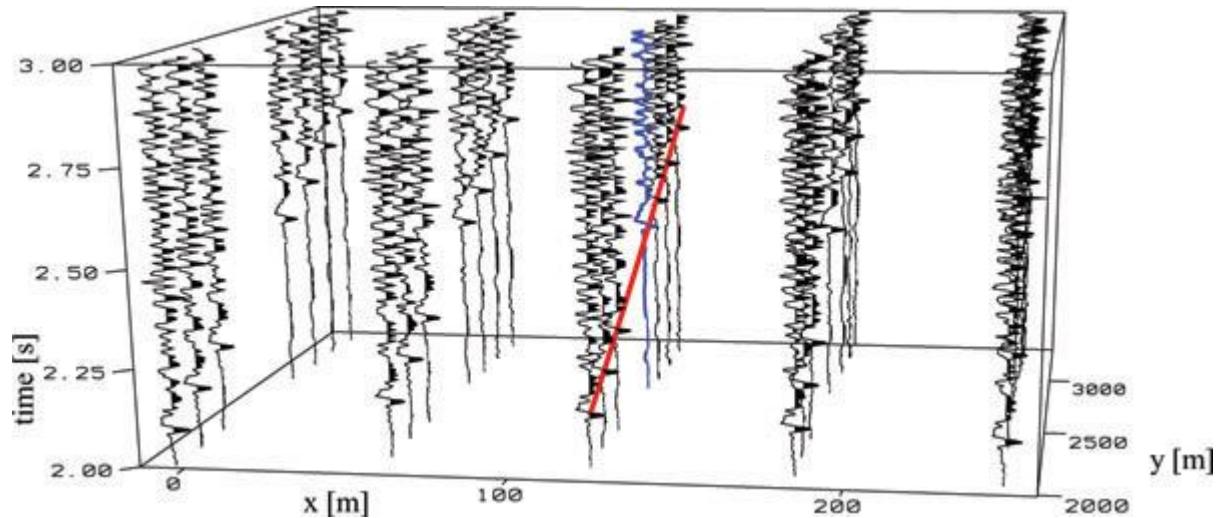
Operator oriented CO CRS-based signal enhancement



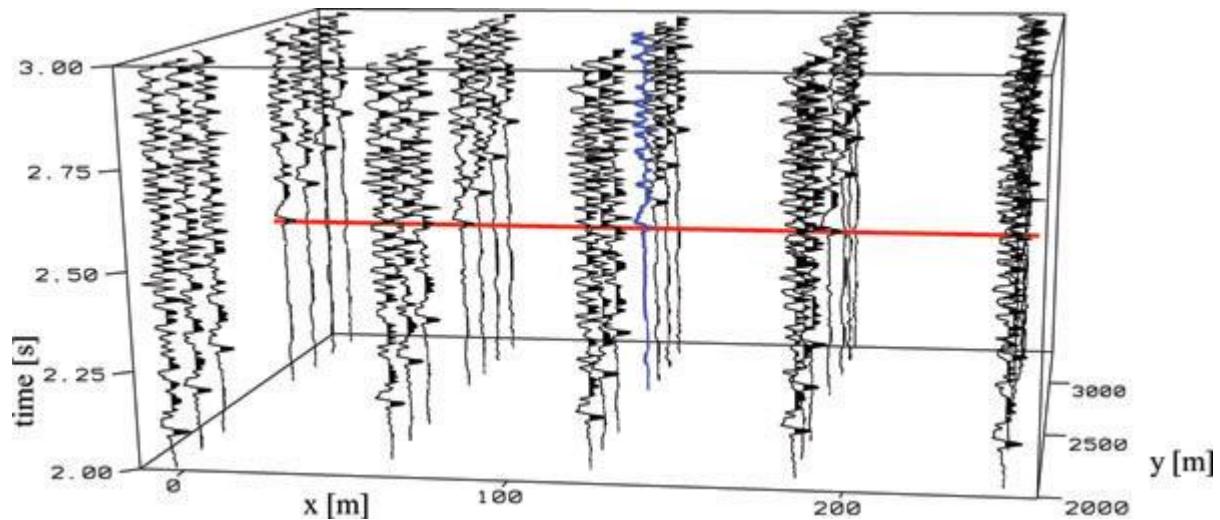
Signal enhancement in 3D data space: the observed traces are shown in black; the target trace is shown in green; the stacking operator for one sample is shown in brown. The summation aperture is shown in yellow

$$\Delta t = t(\Delta x, \Delta y) - \hat{t} = b_0 \Delta x + b_1 \Delta y + a_{00} \Delta x^2 + a_{01} \Delta x \Delta y + a_{11} \Delta y^2$$

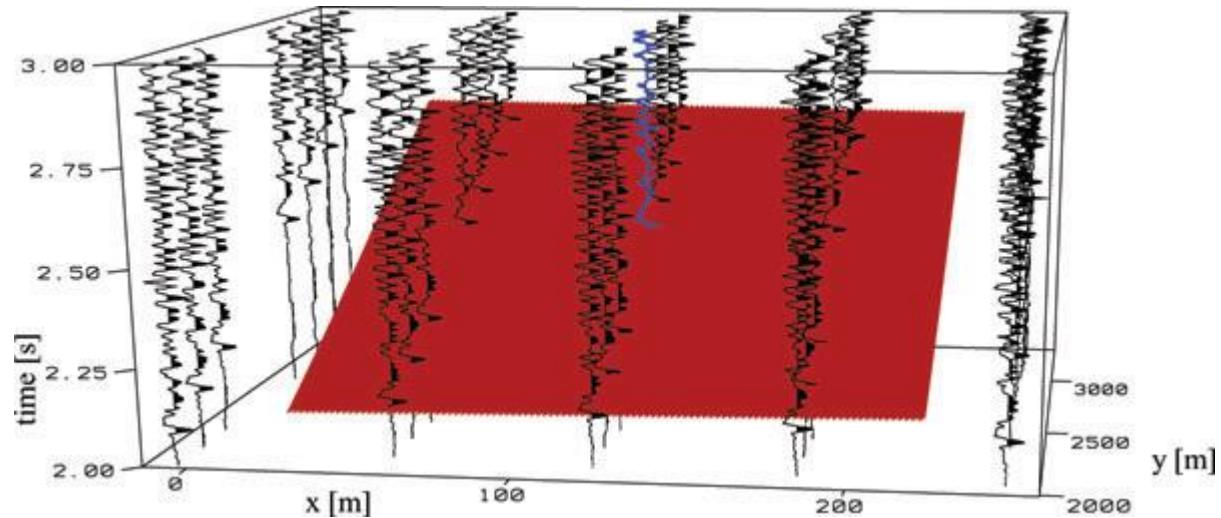
where, the time-shift t is the moveout of a reflection event relative to the investigated sample \hat{t} of the target trace and $\Delta x = x - \hat{x}$ and $\Delta y = y - \hat{y}$ are the positions of the data traces relative to the target trace location. The unknown parameters b_0, b_1 are the first-order special traveltimes derivatives and a_{00}, a_{01}, a_{11} the second-order ones.



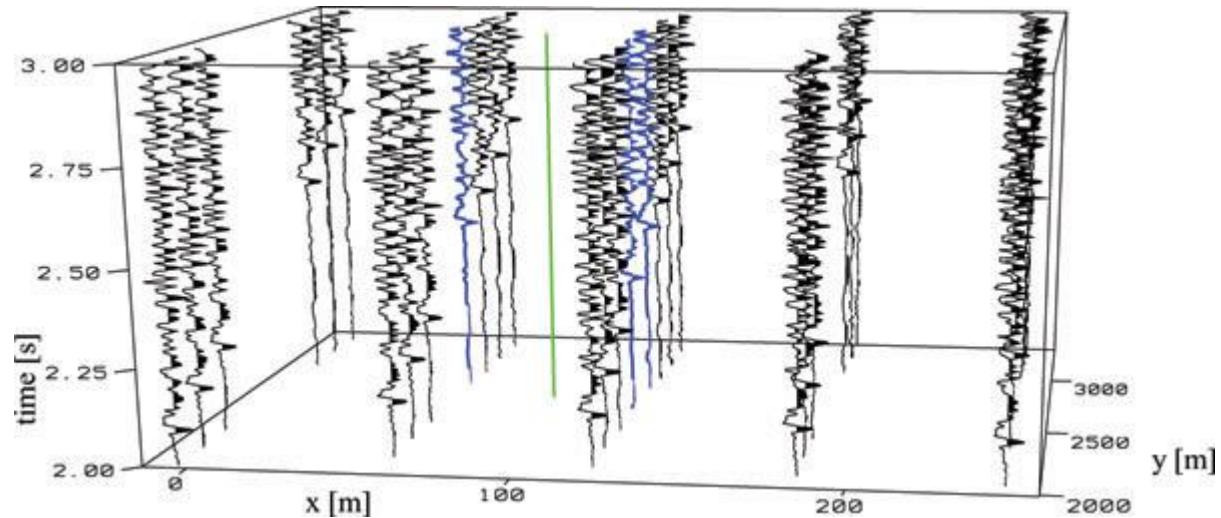
Estimation of the parameters b_1 and α_{11} for a sample of a parameter trace (blue) within a bin in x -direction. The estimated operator is shown in red.



Estimation of the parameters b_0 and a_{00} for a sample of a parameter trace (blue) within a bin in y -direction. The estimated operator is shown in red.

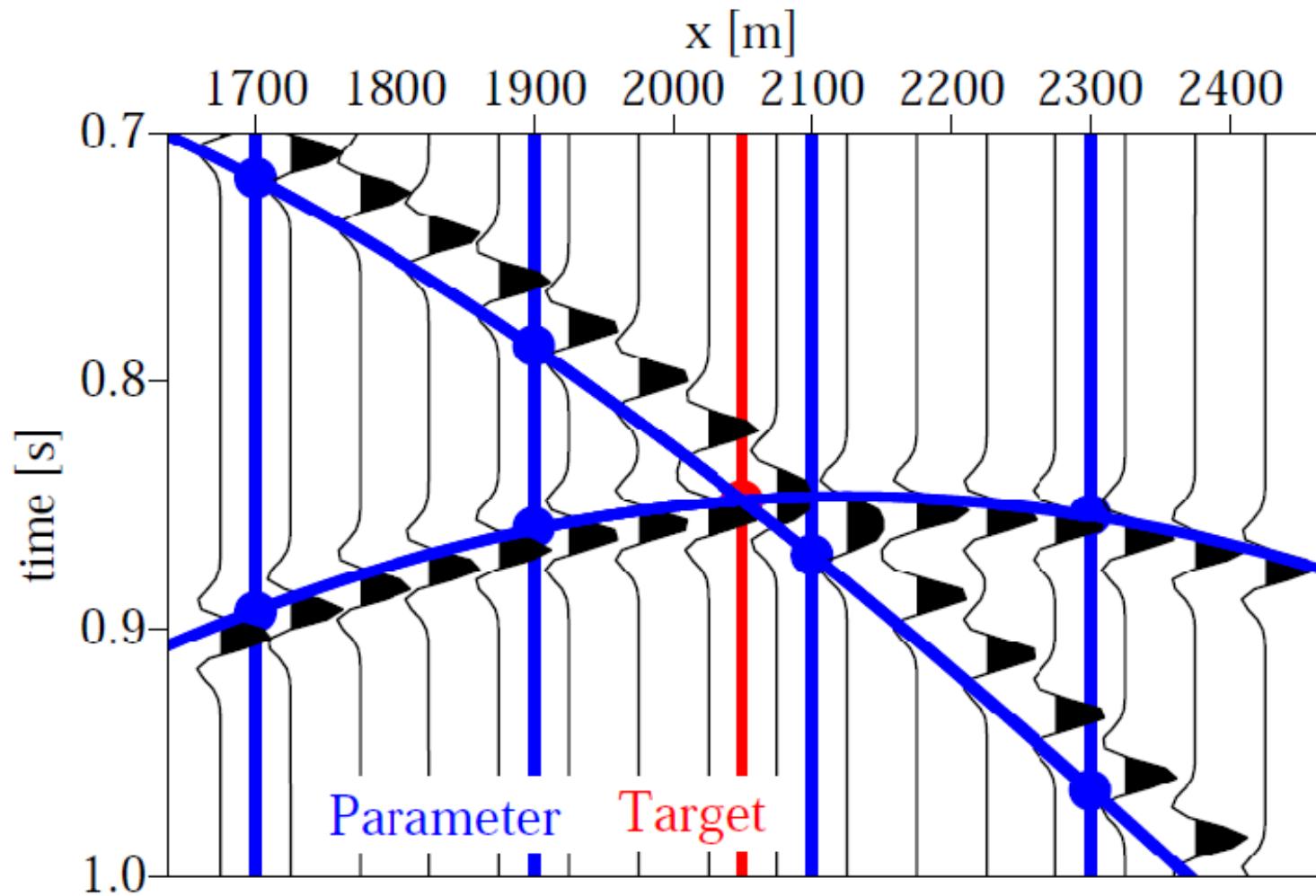


Estimation of the parameter $a01$ for a sample of a parameter trace (blue) within the data volume. The final operator is shown in red.

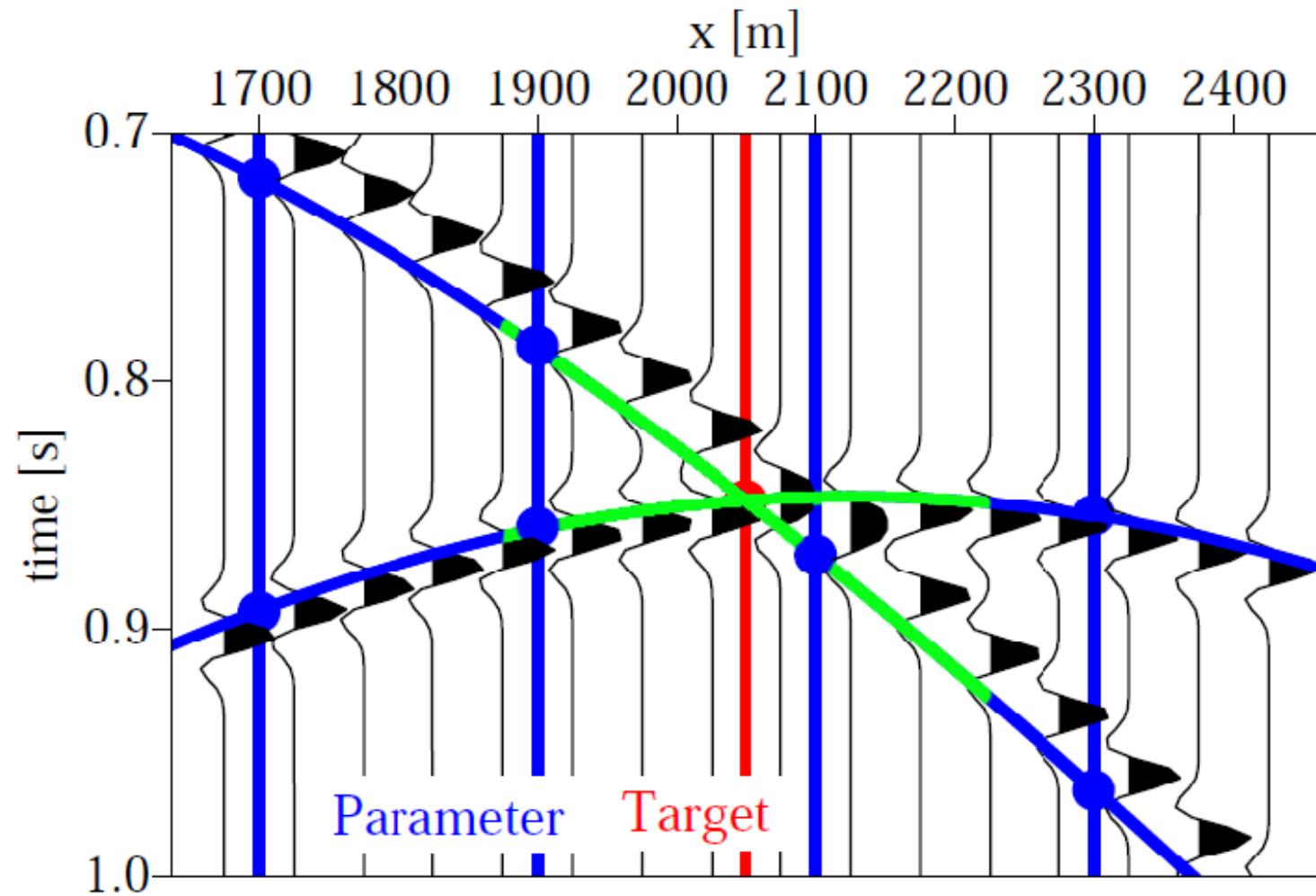


Position of a target trace (green) and three enclosing parameter traces (blue). The parameters allow to construct the operators at the parameter traces but these are required at the target trace.

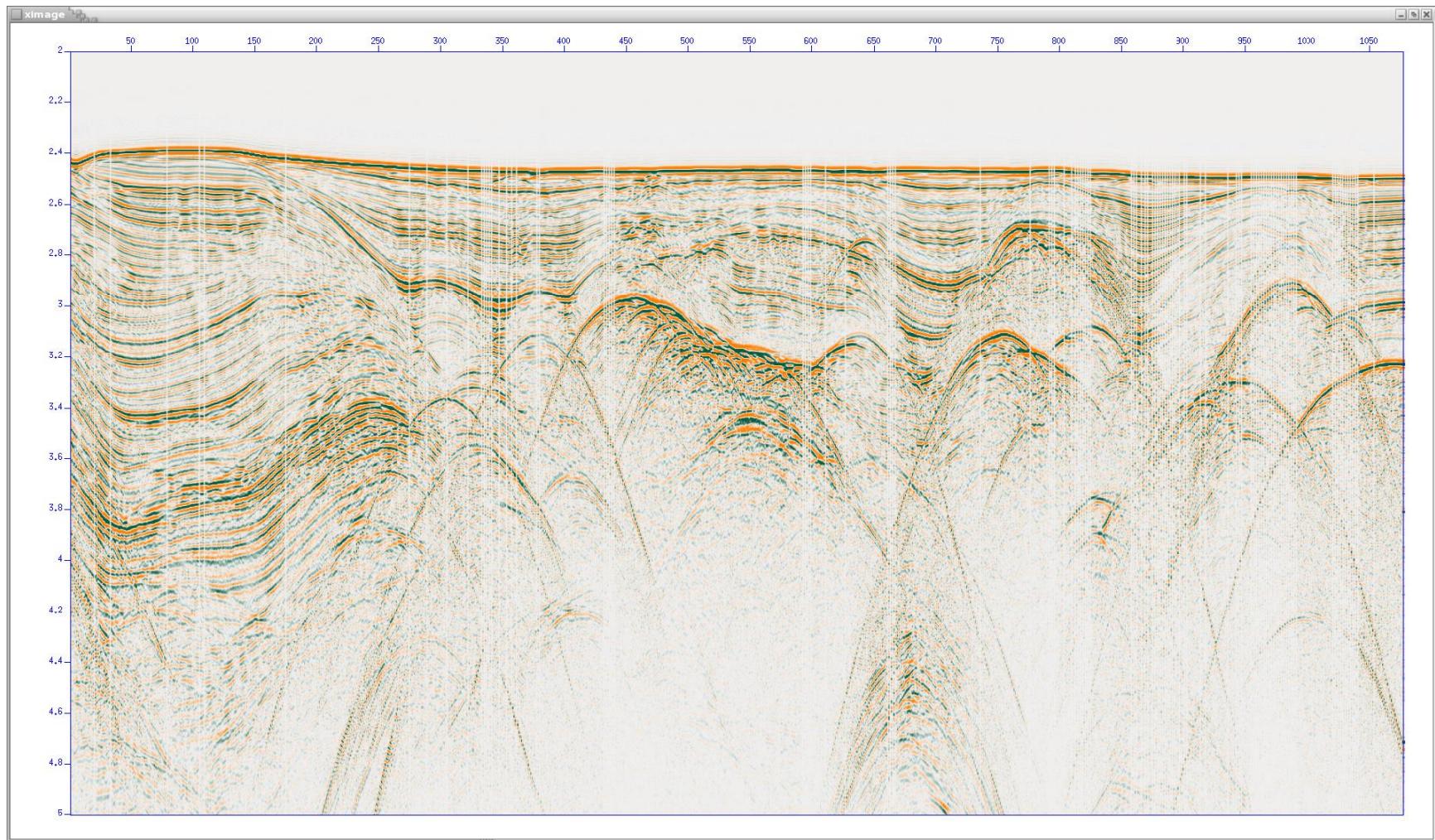
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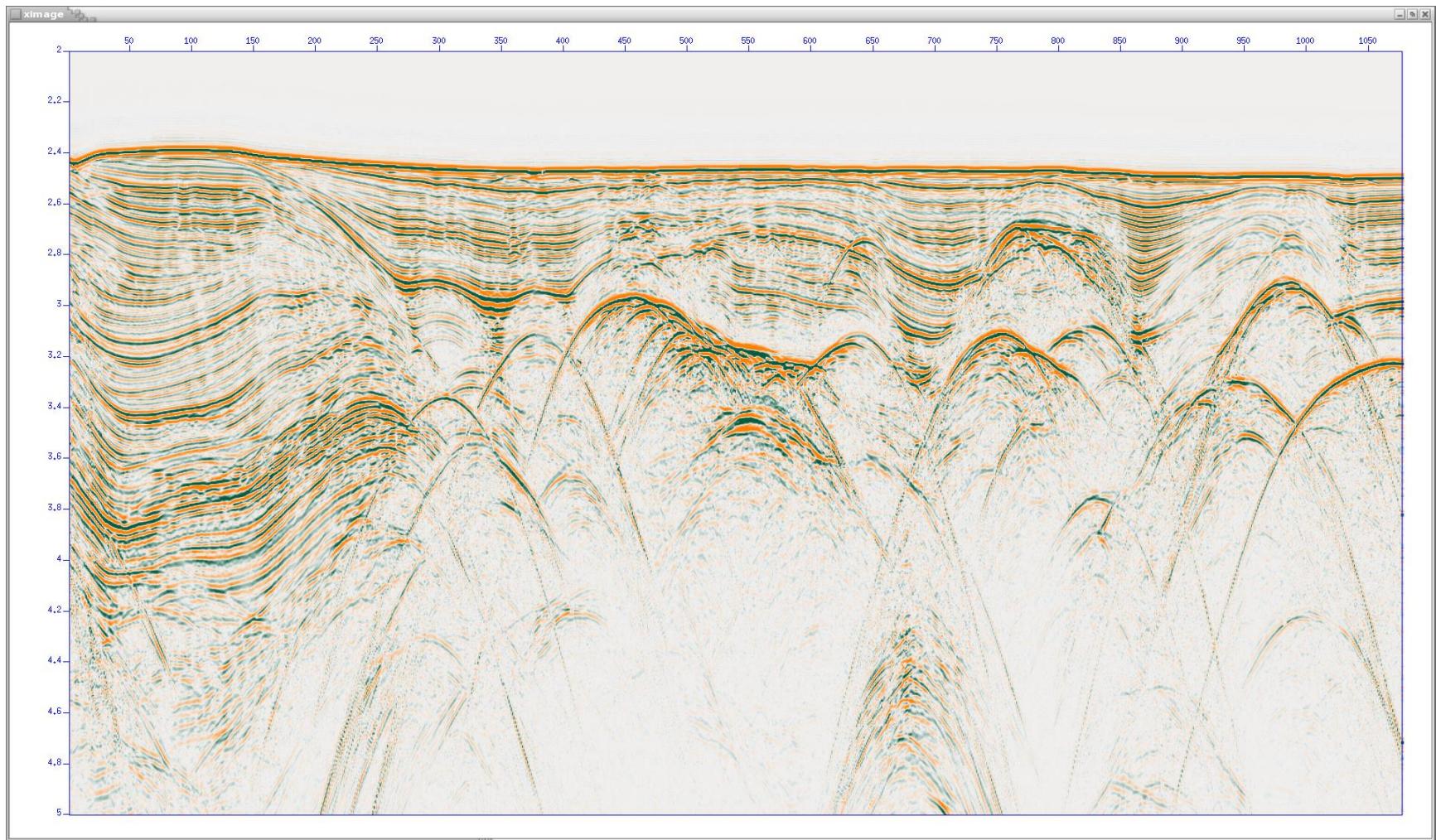
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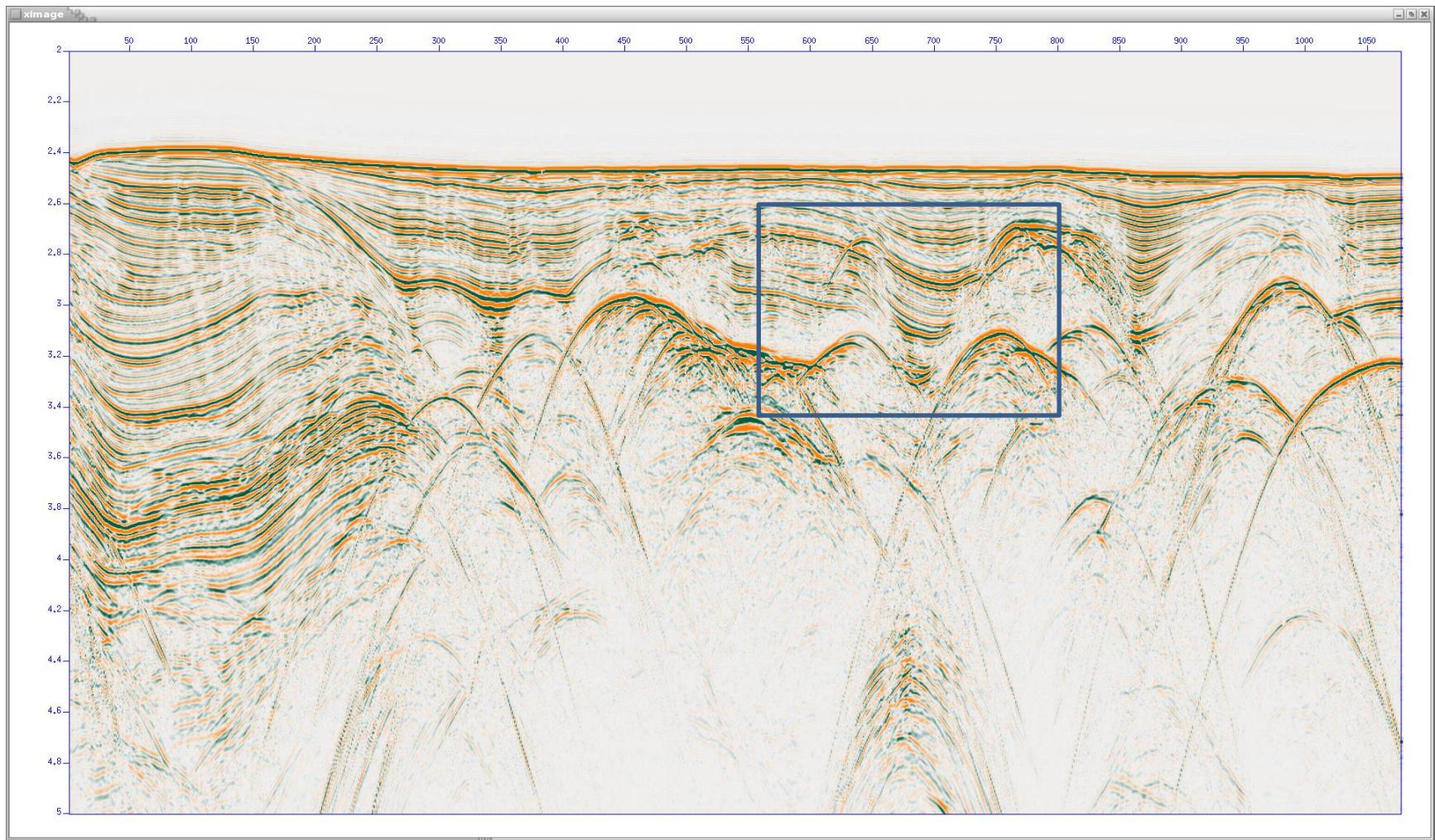
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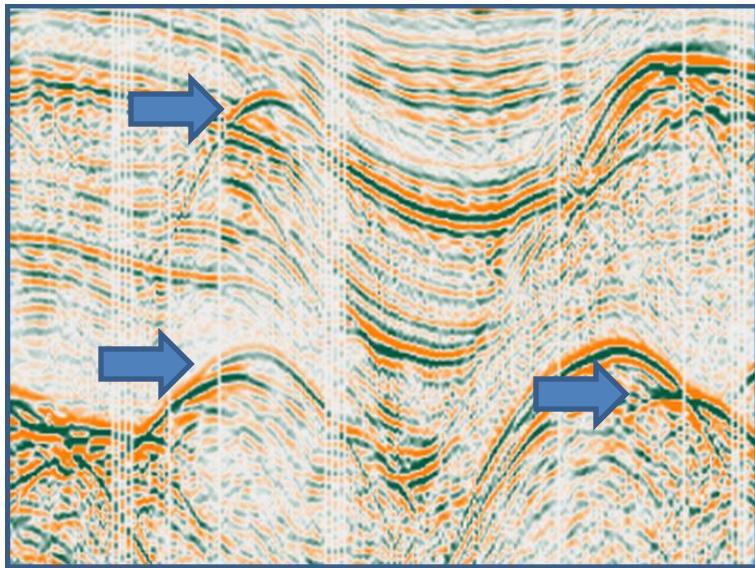
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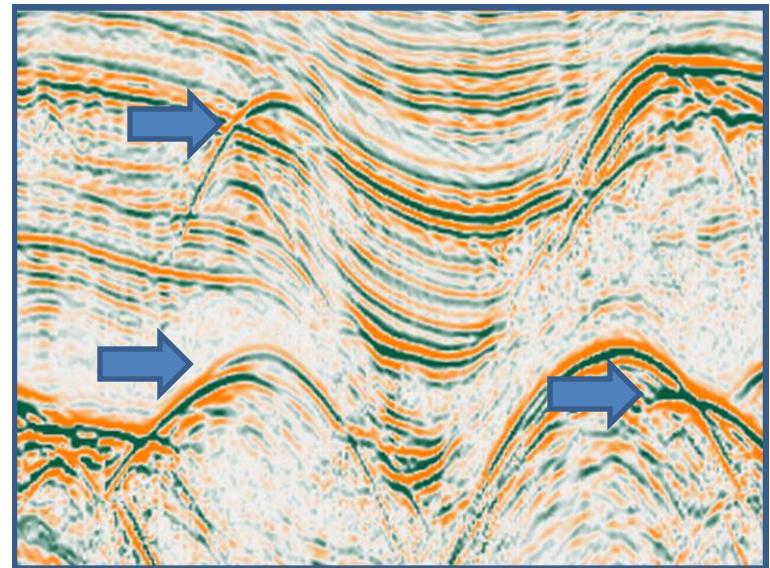
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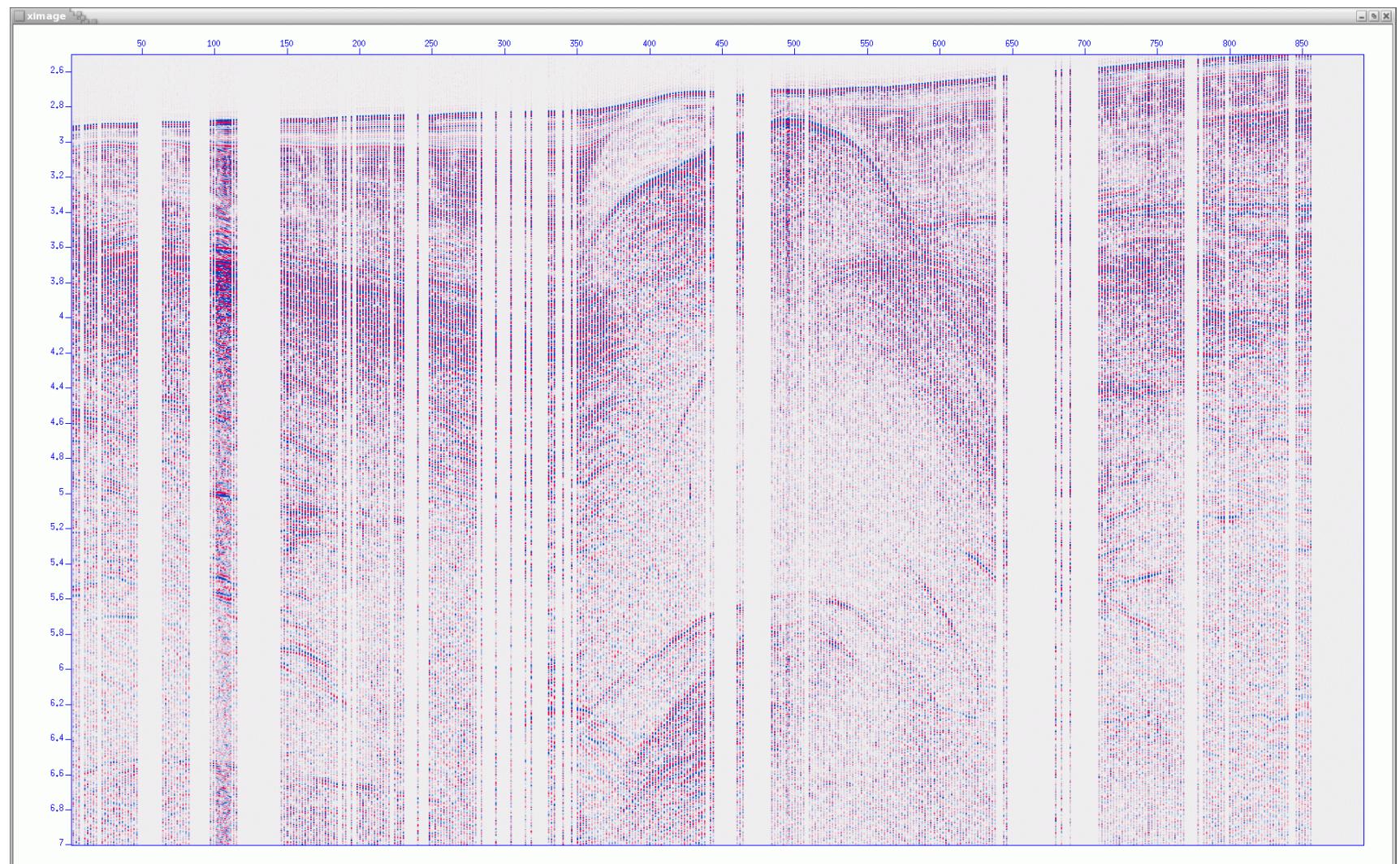


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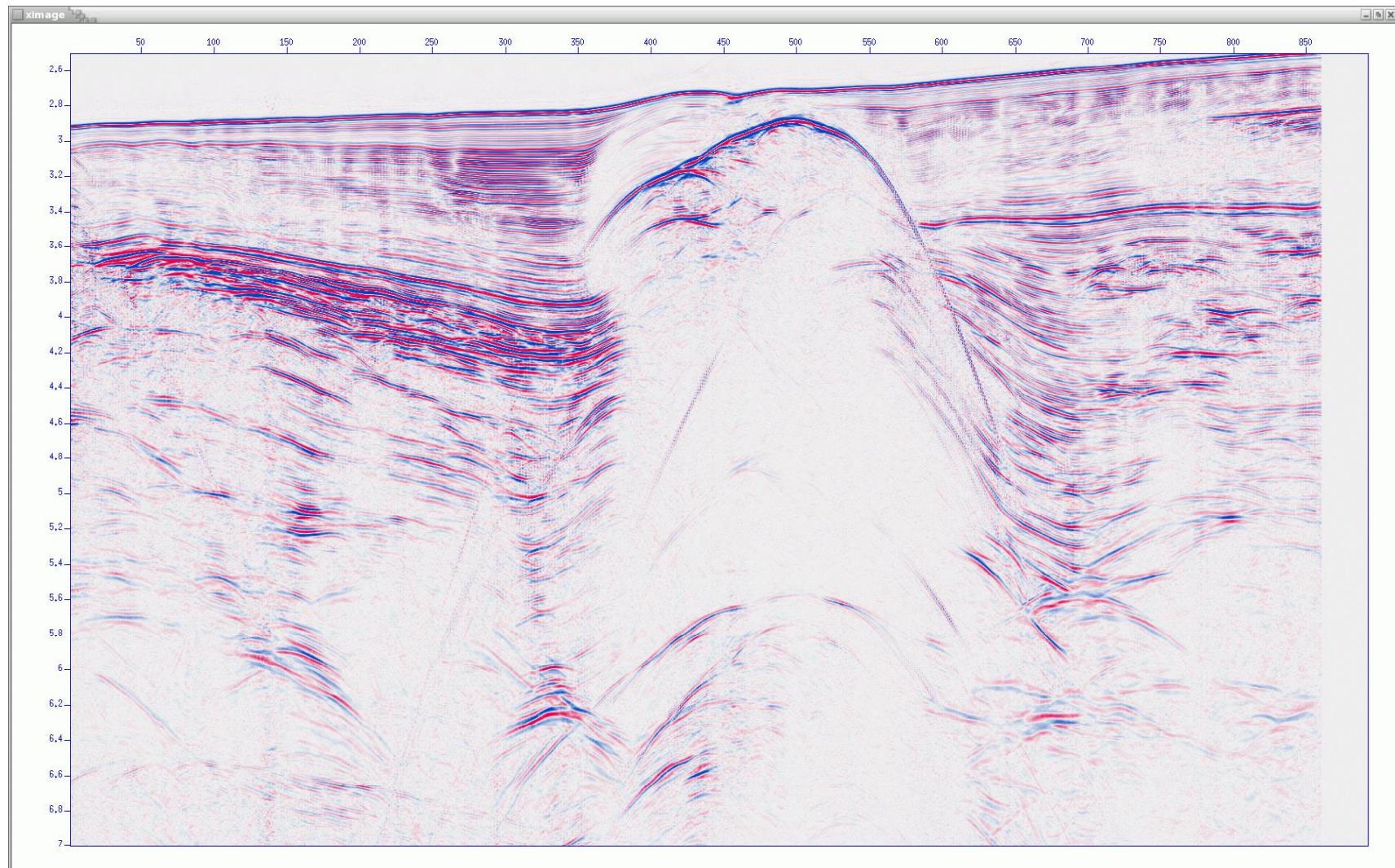
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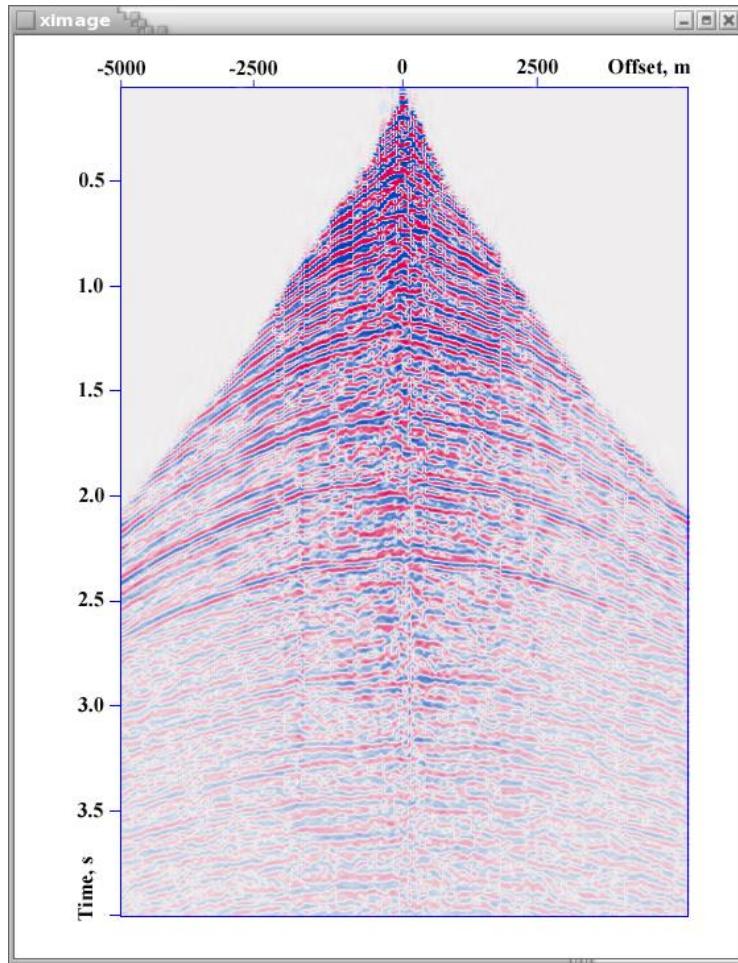
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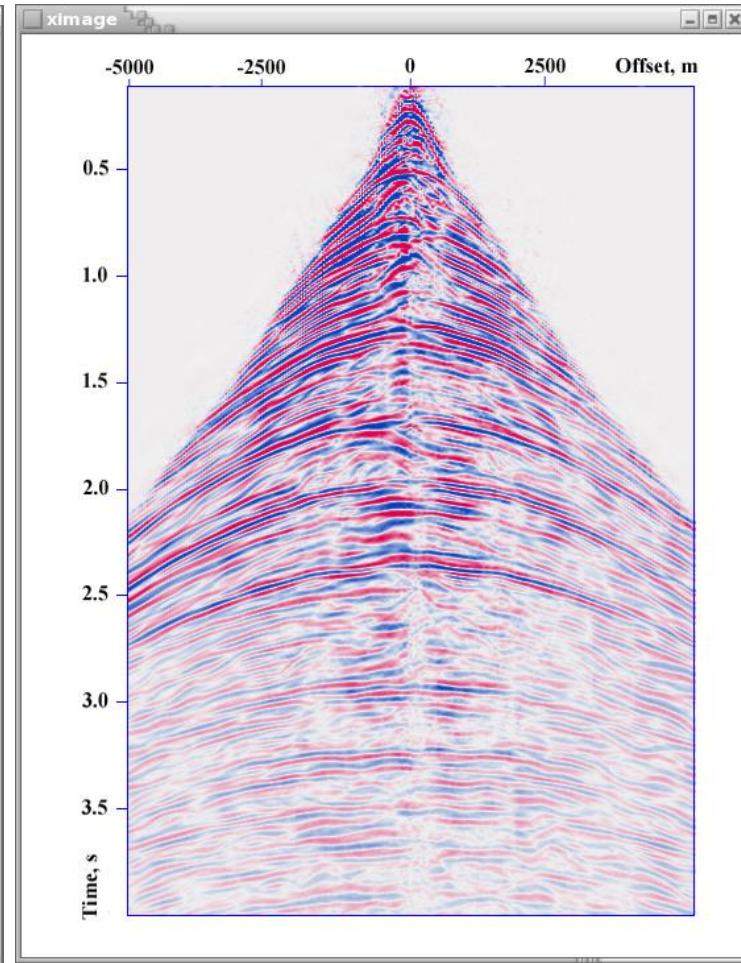


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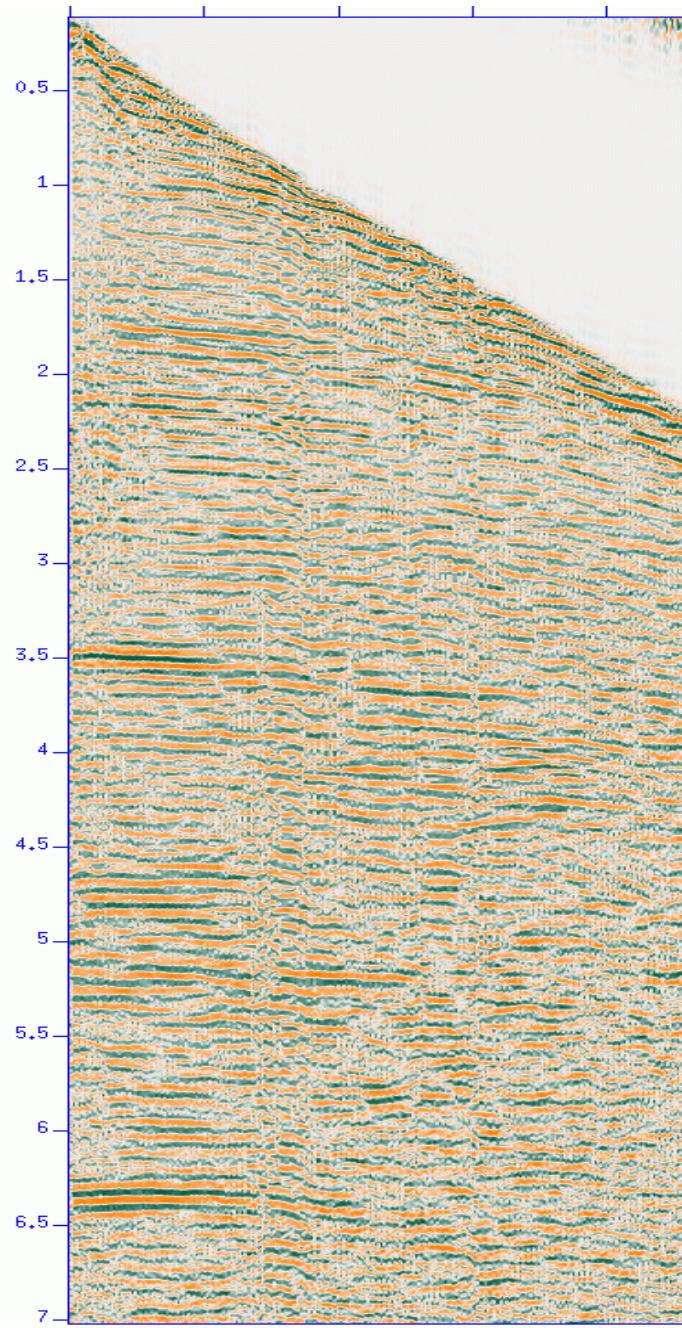
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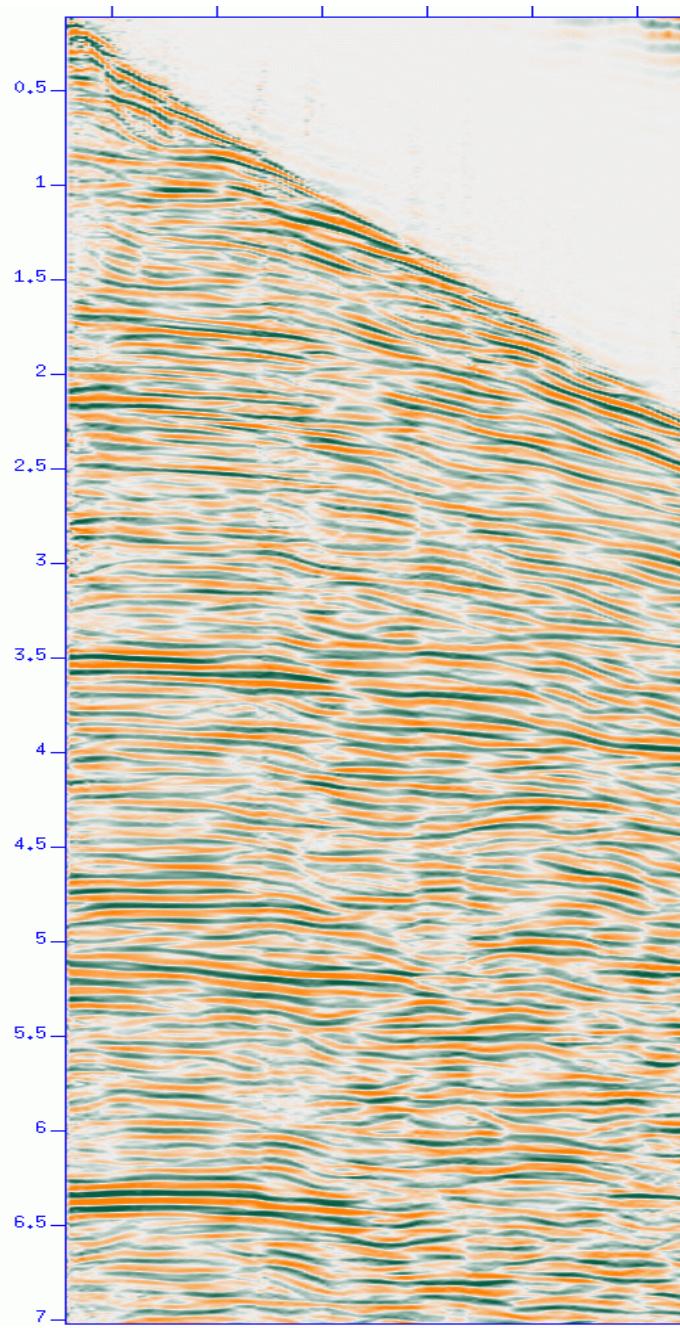


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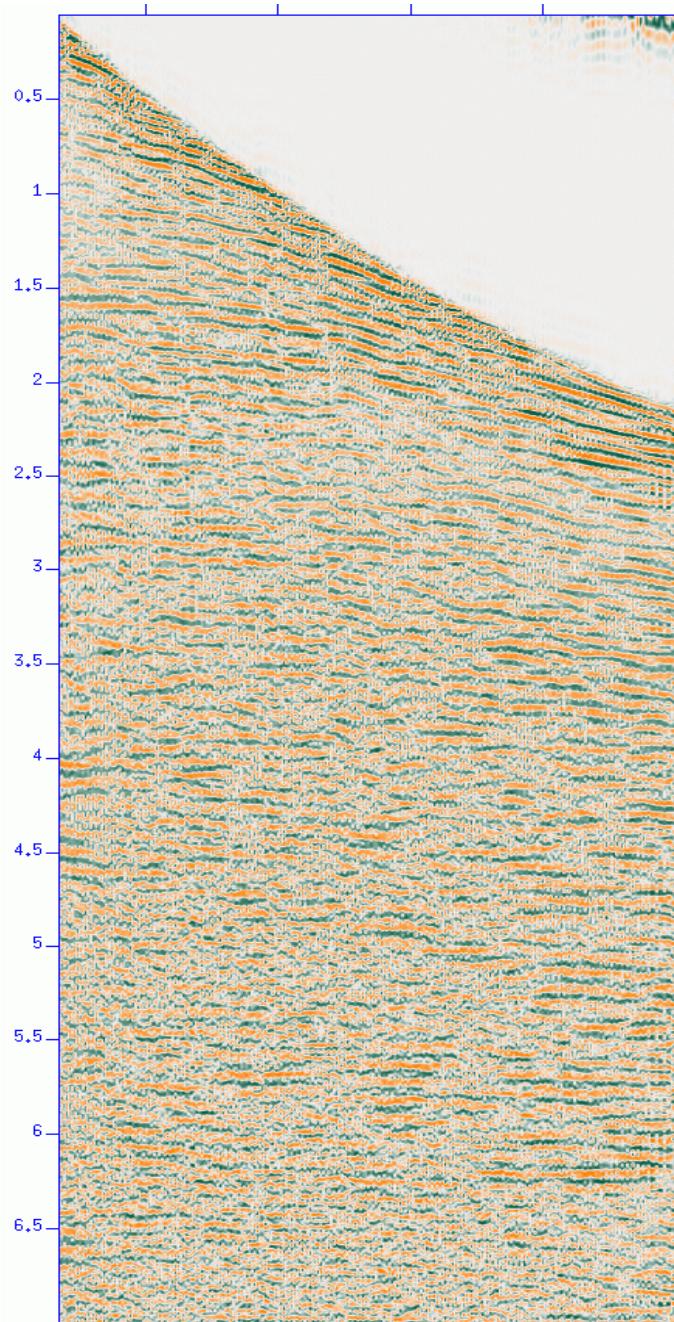


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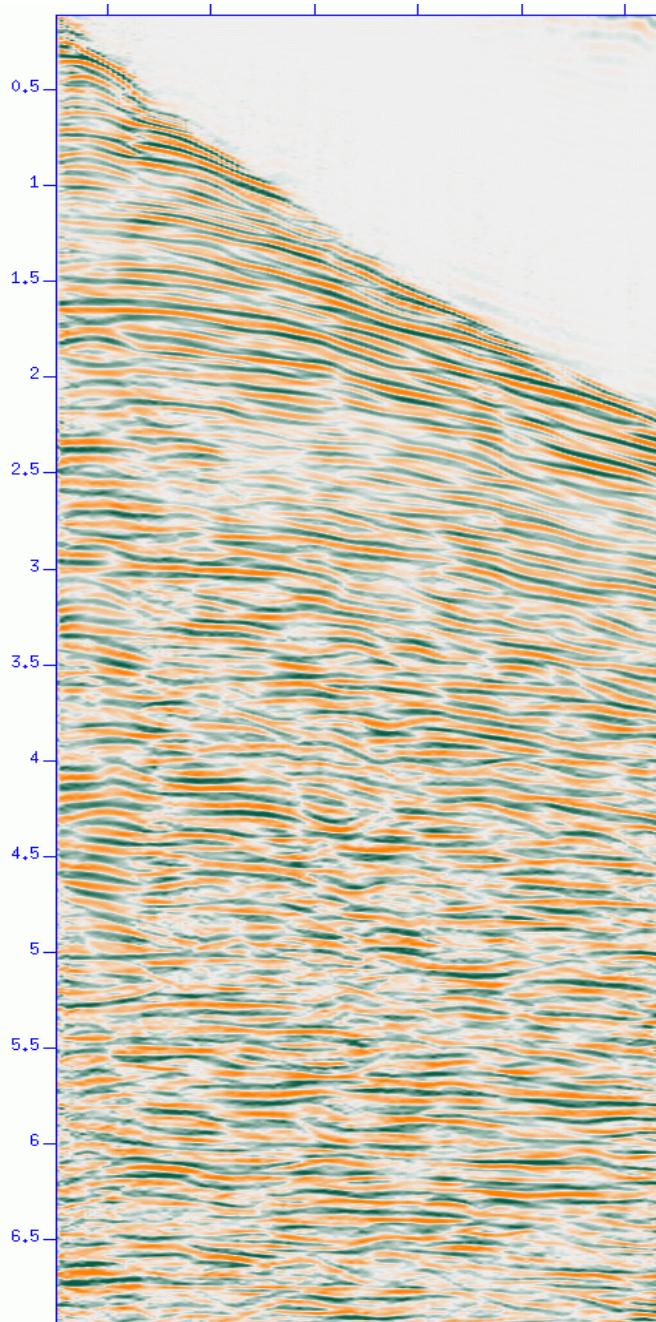
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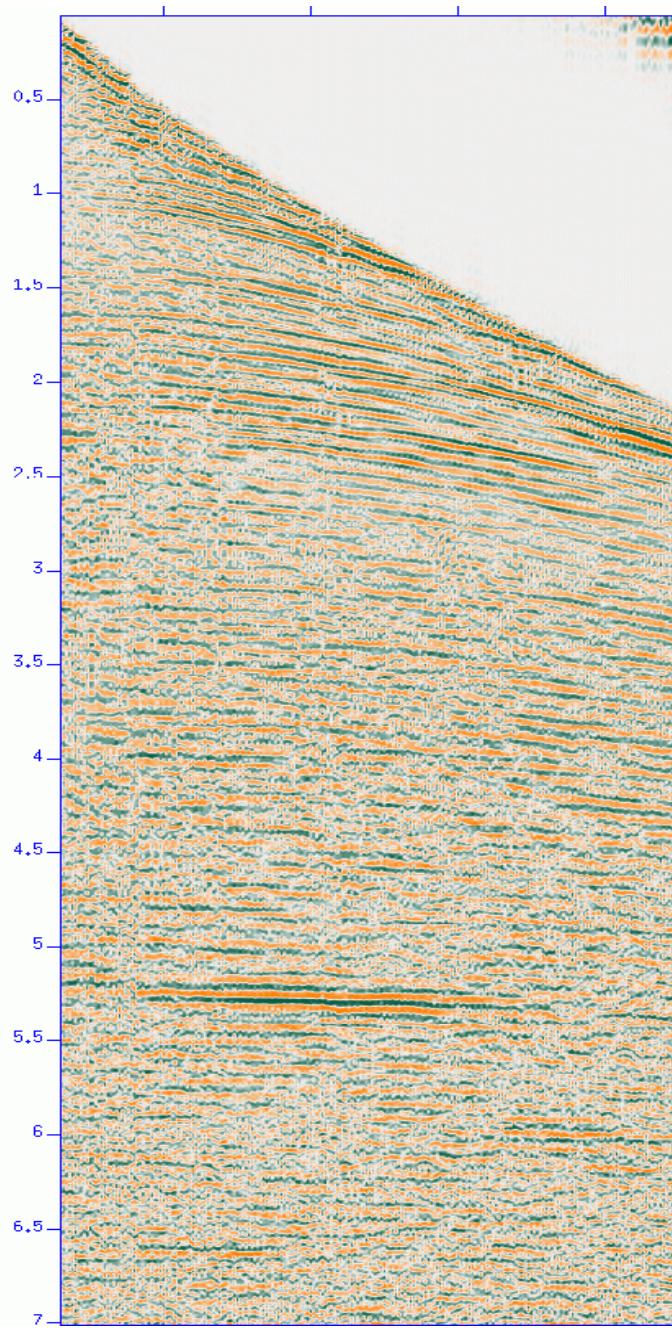


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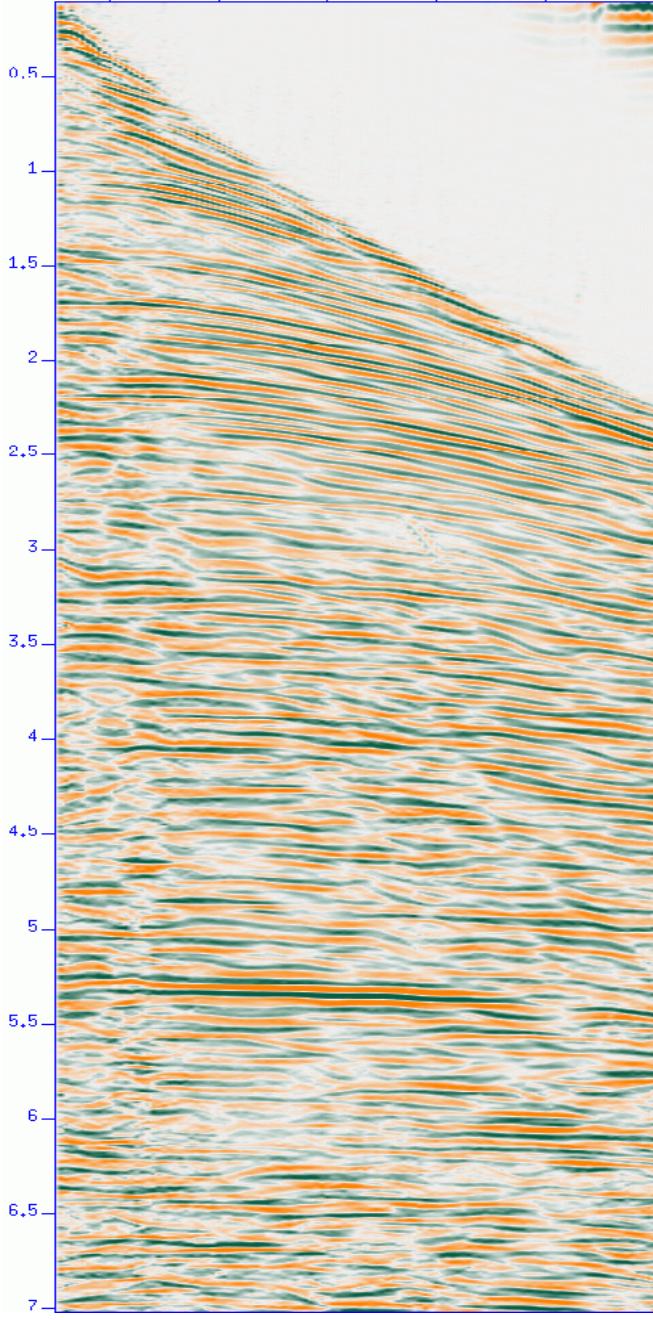


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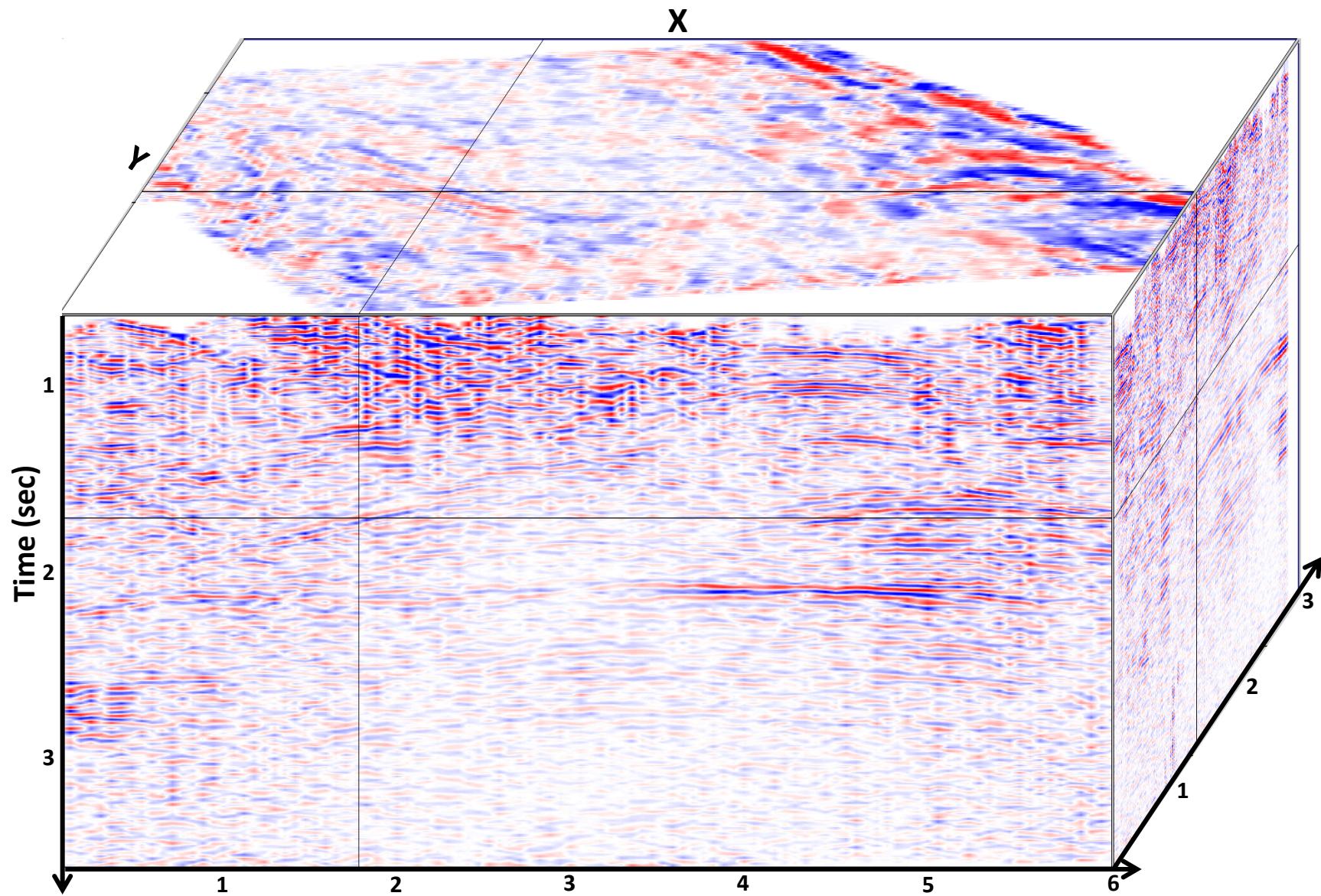


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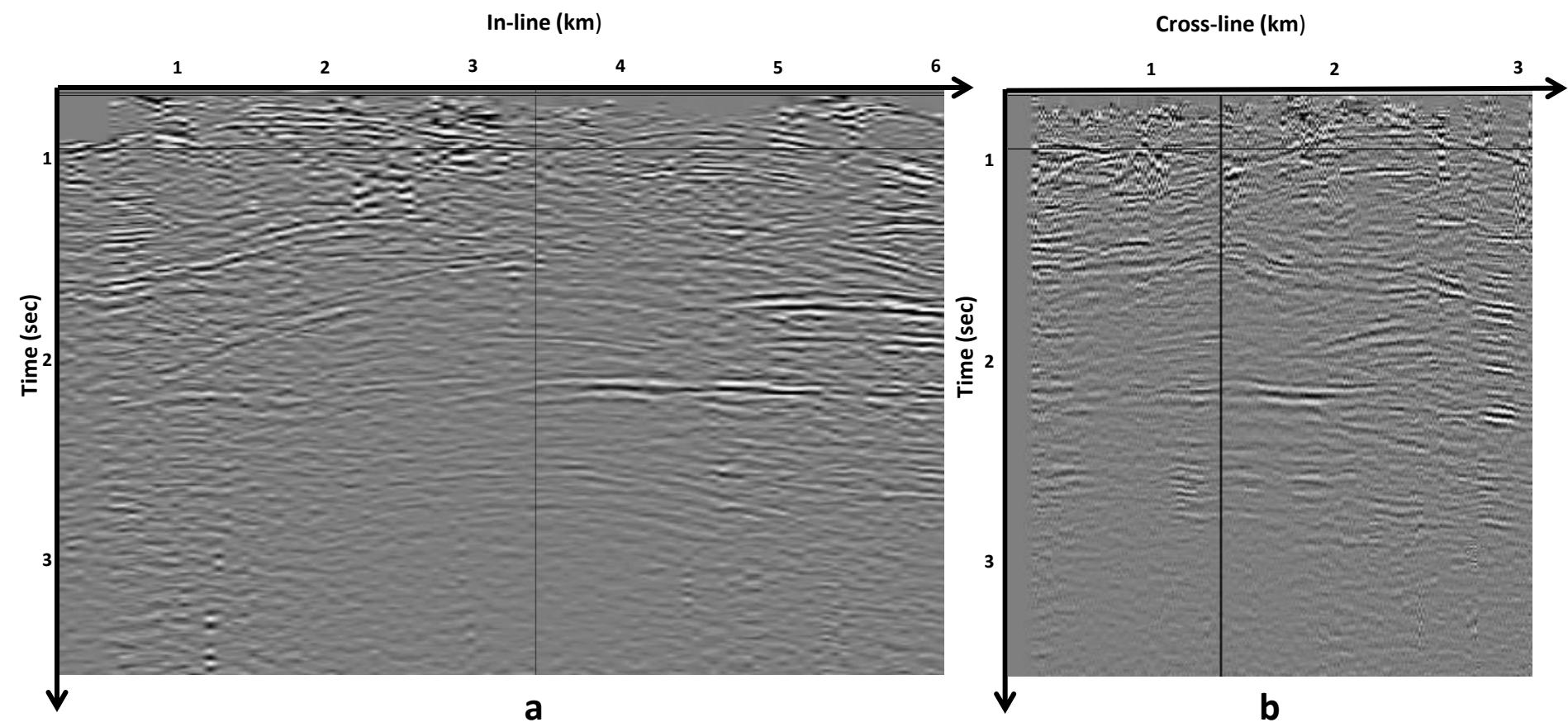


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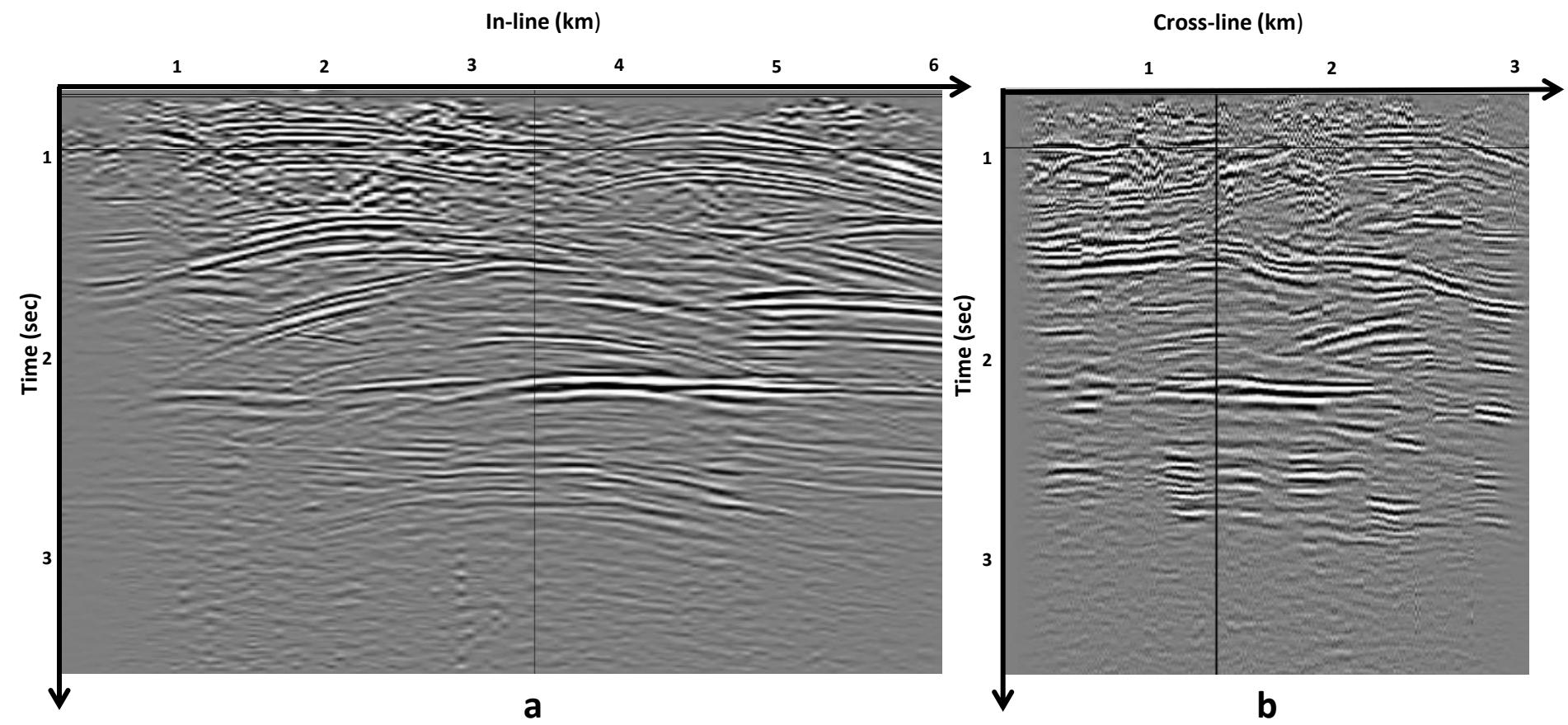
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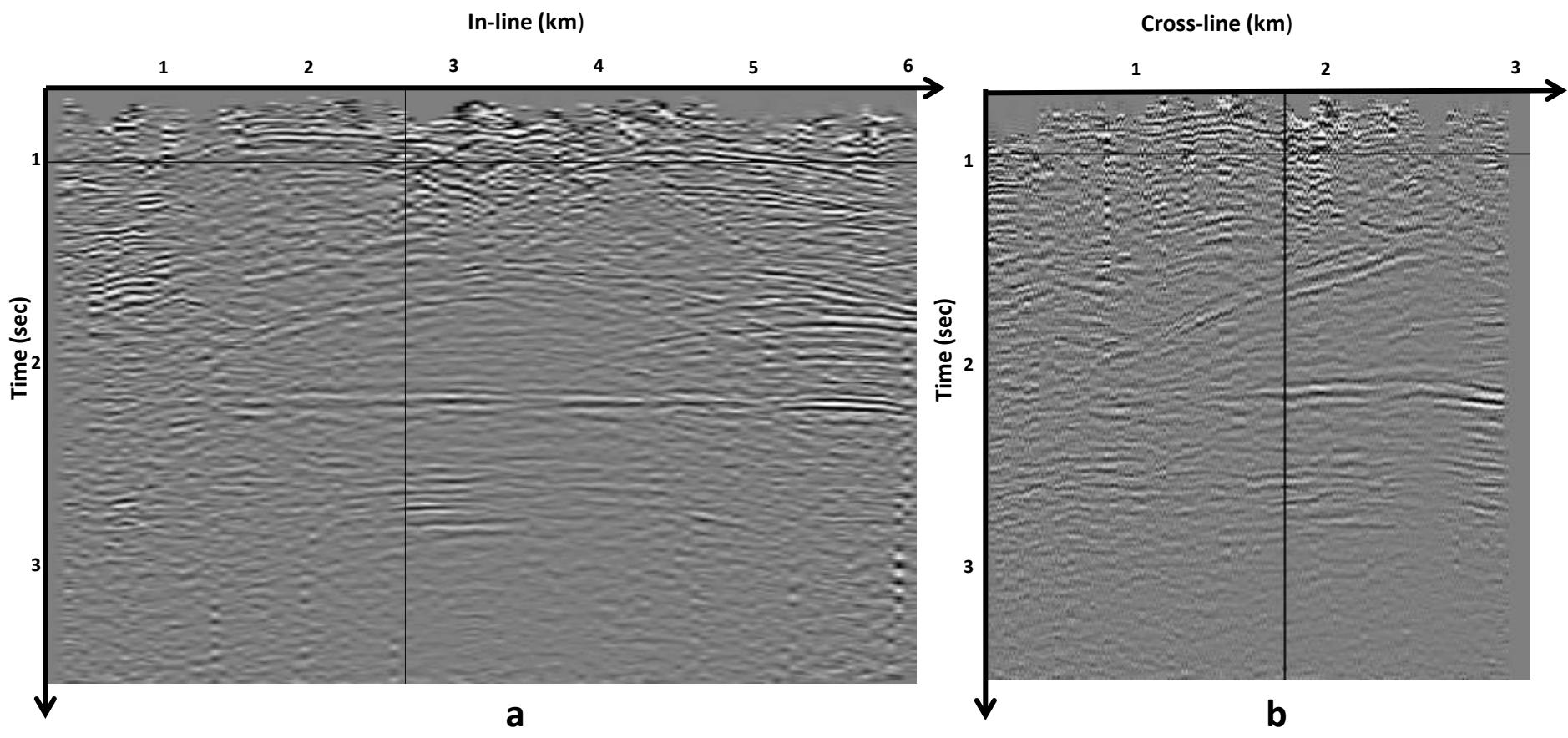
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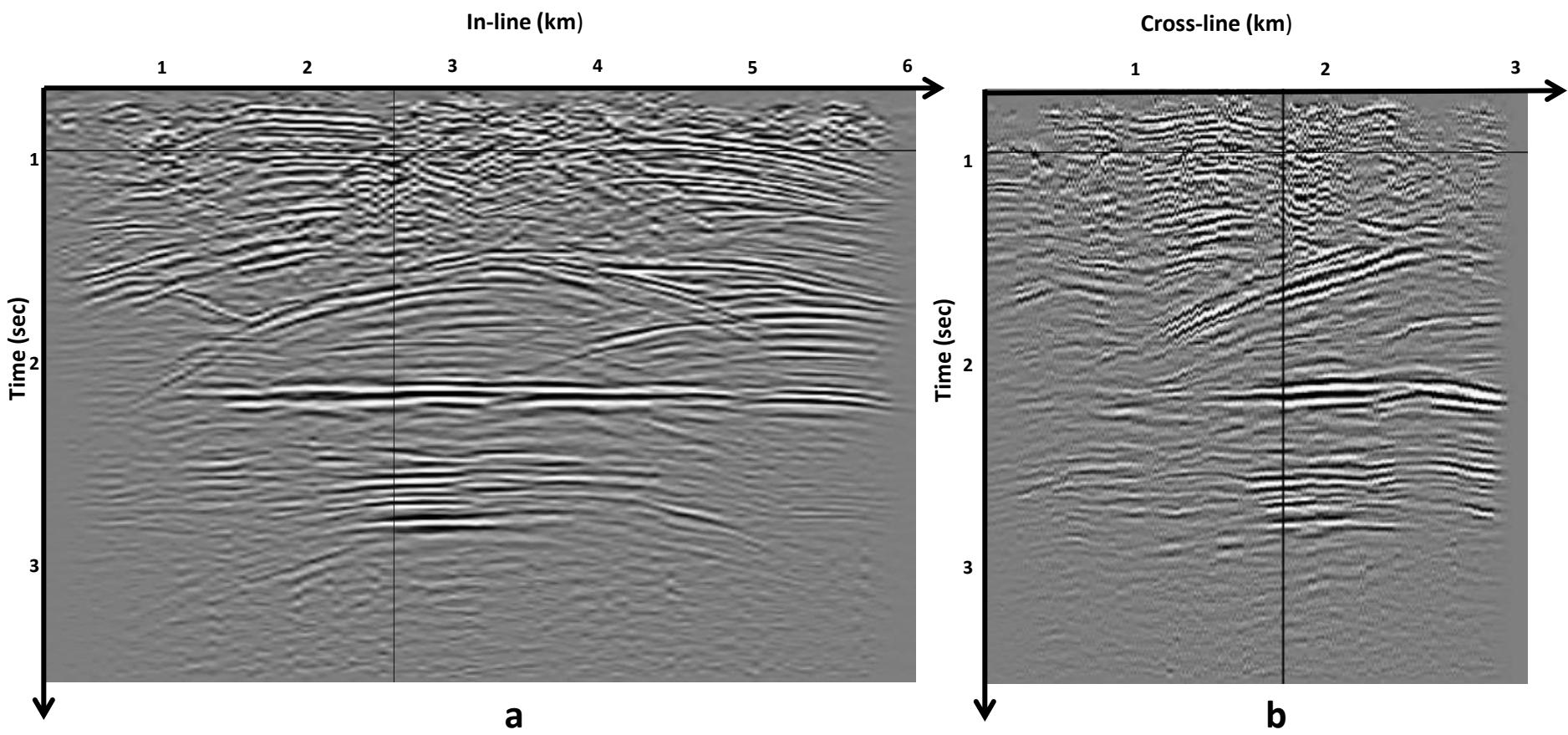
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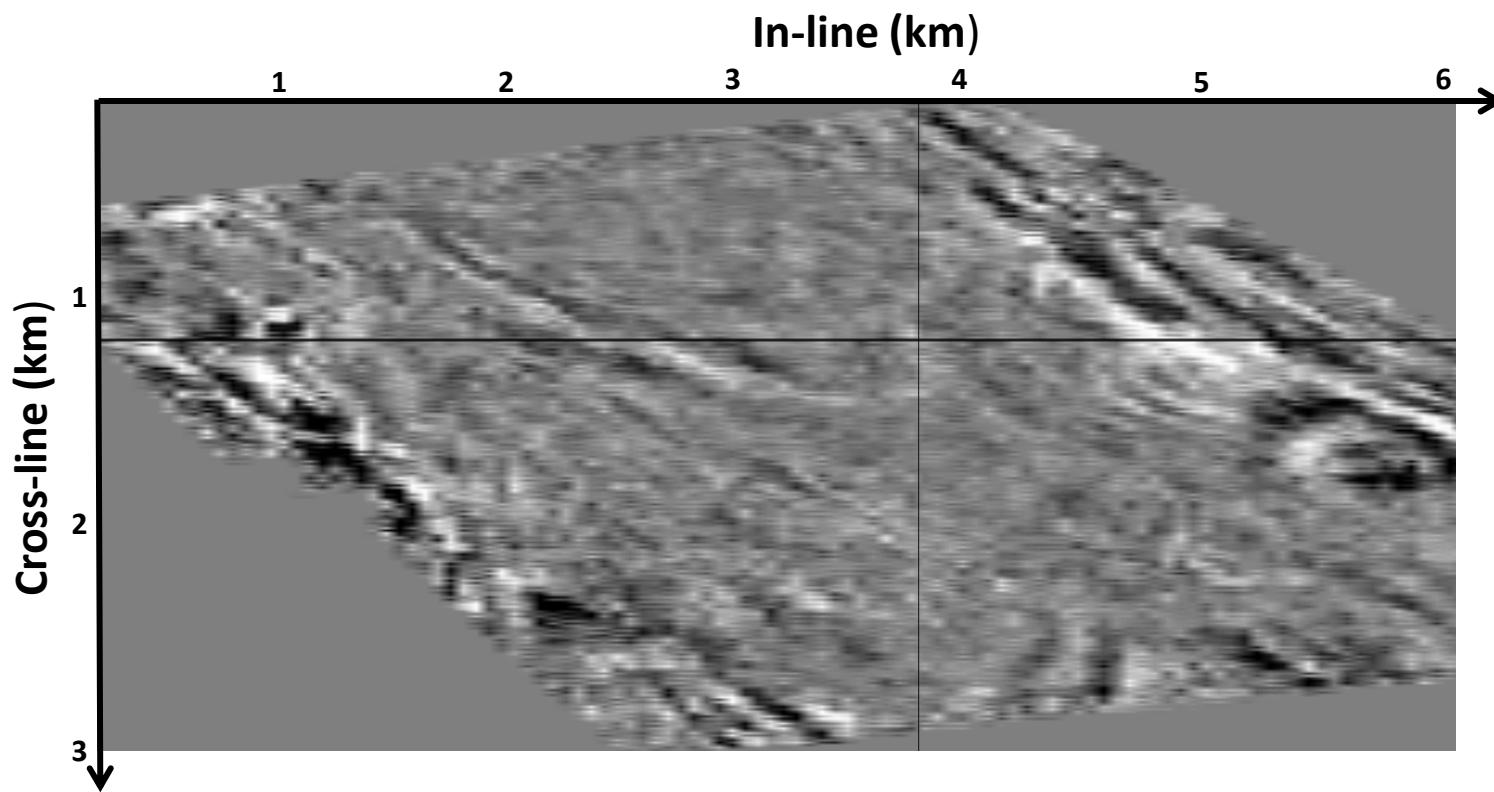
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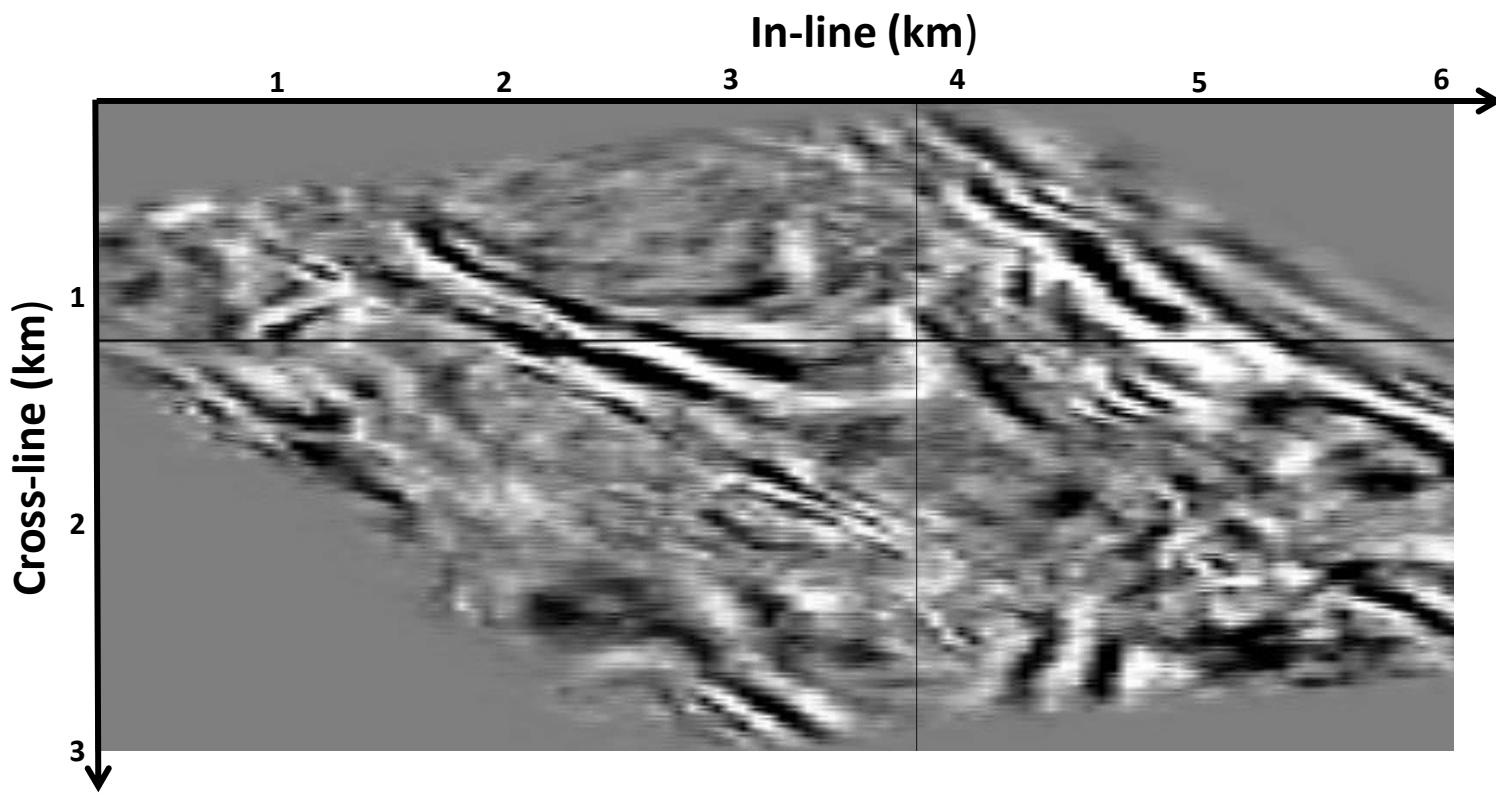
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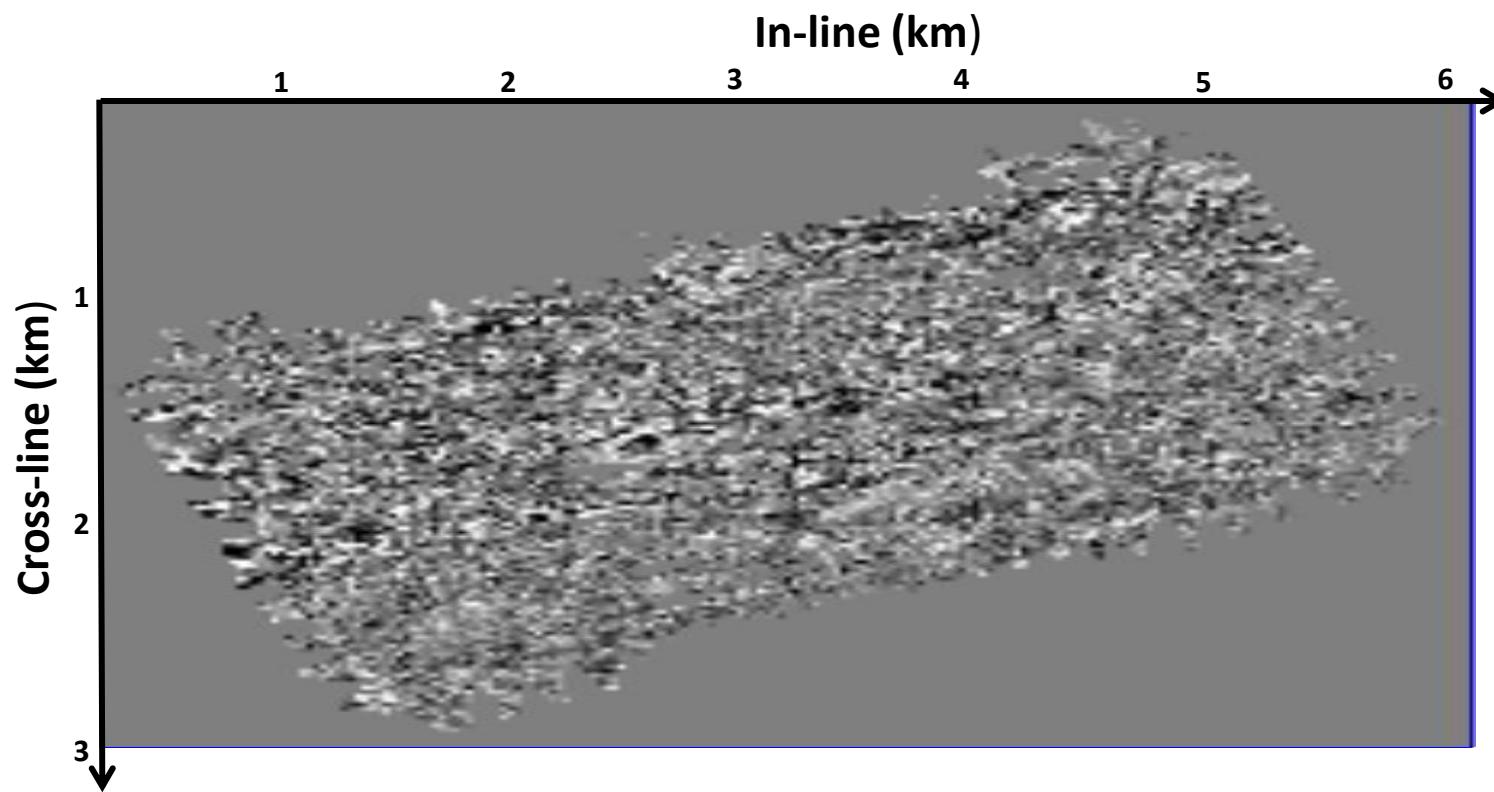
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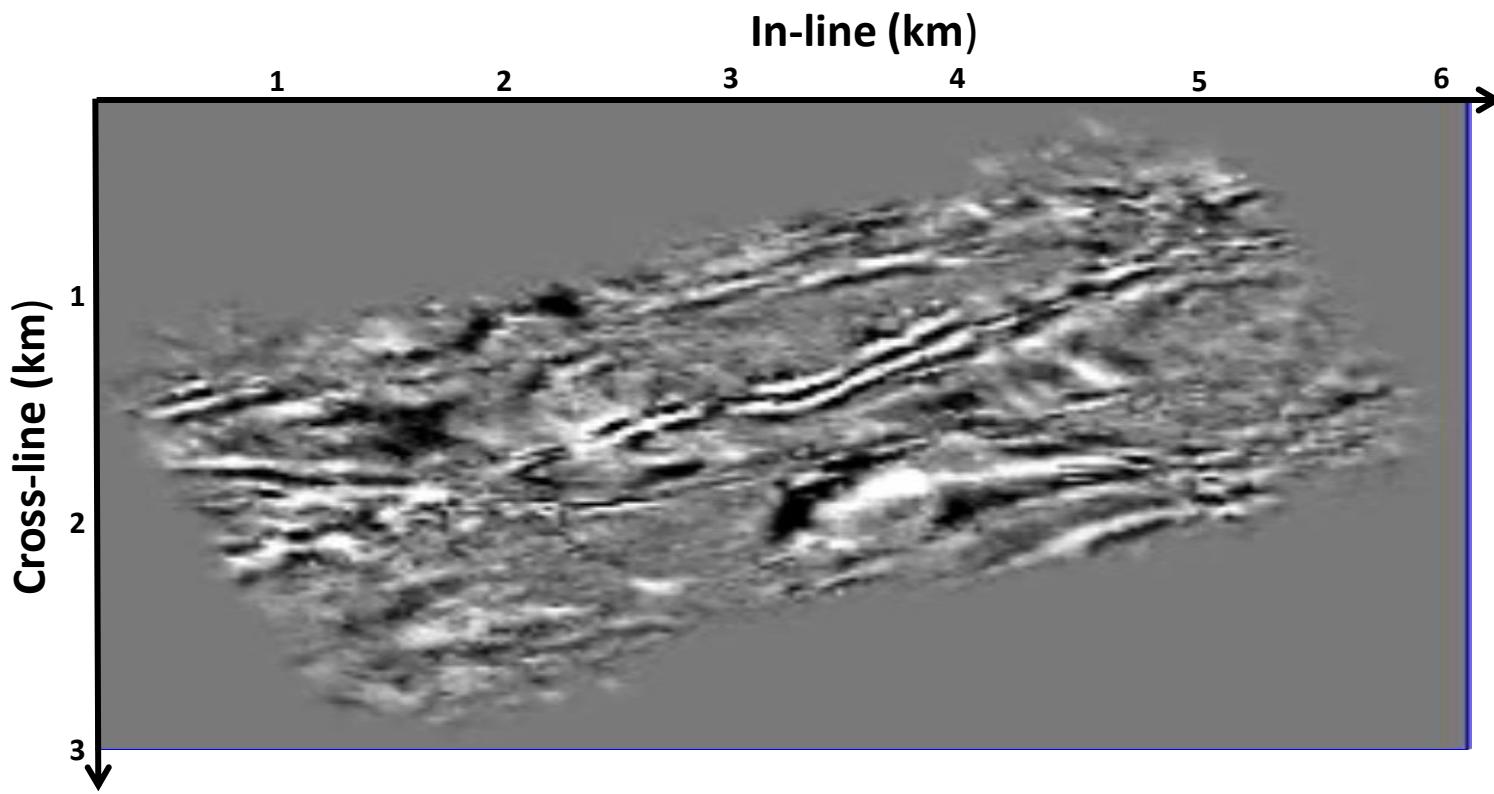
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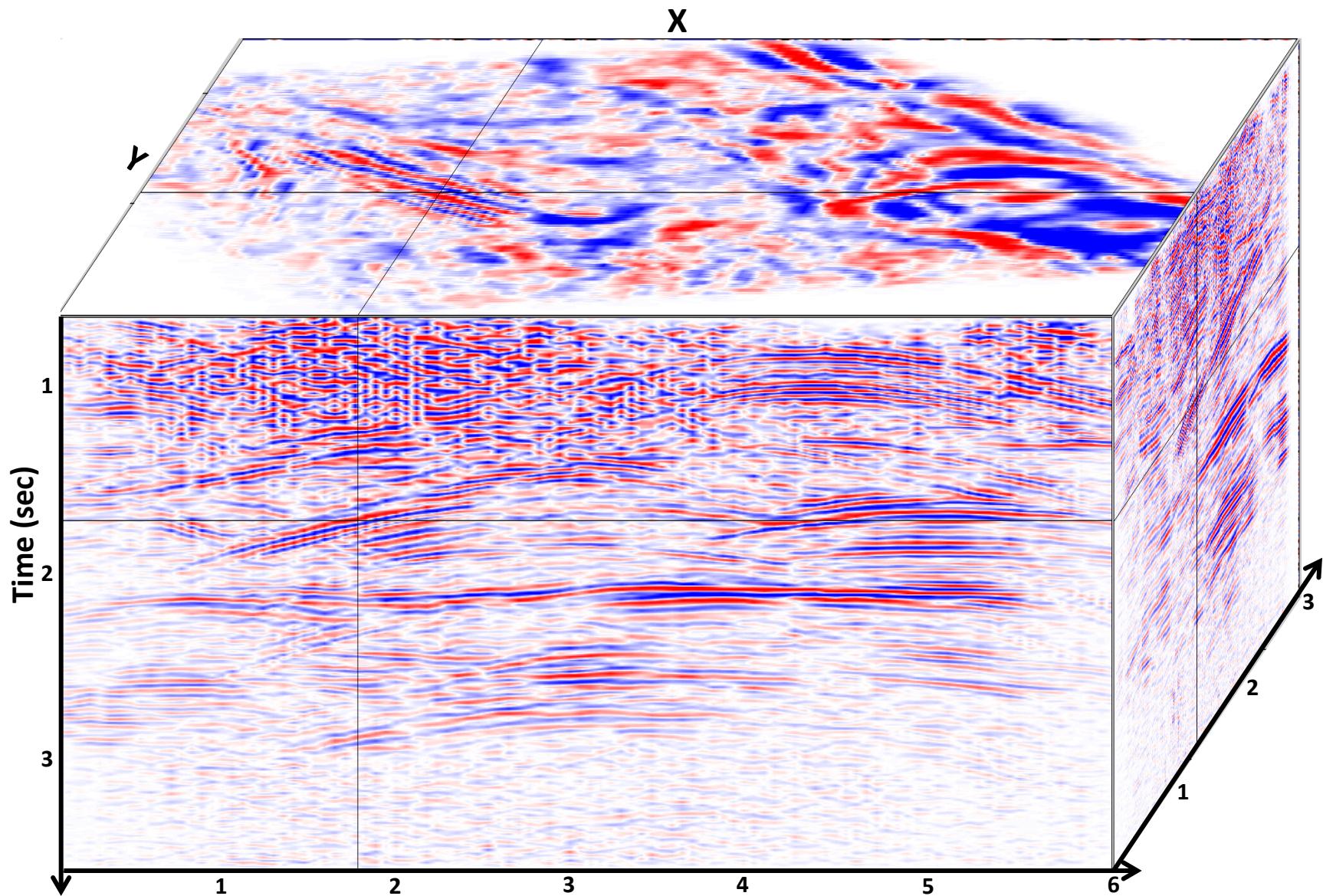
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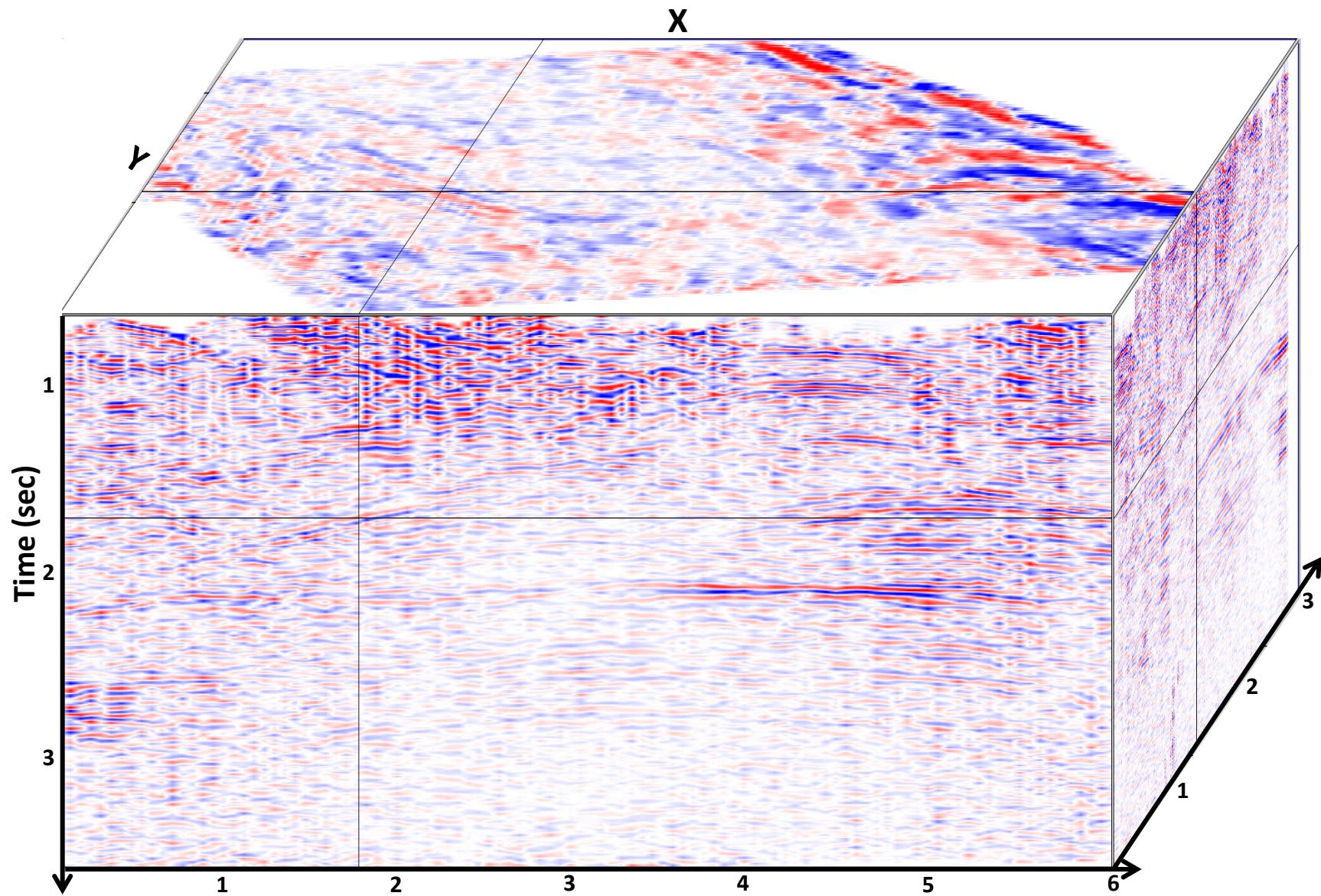
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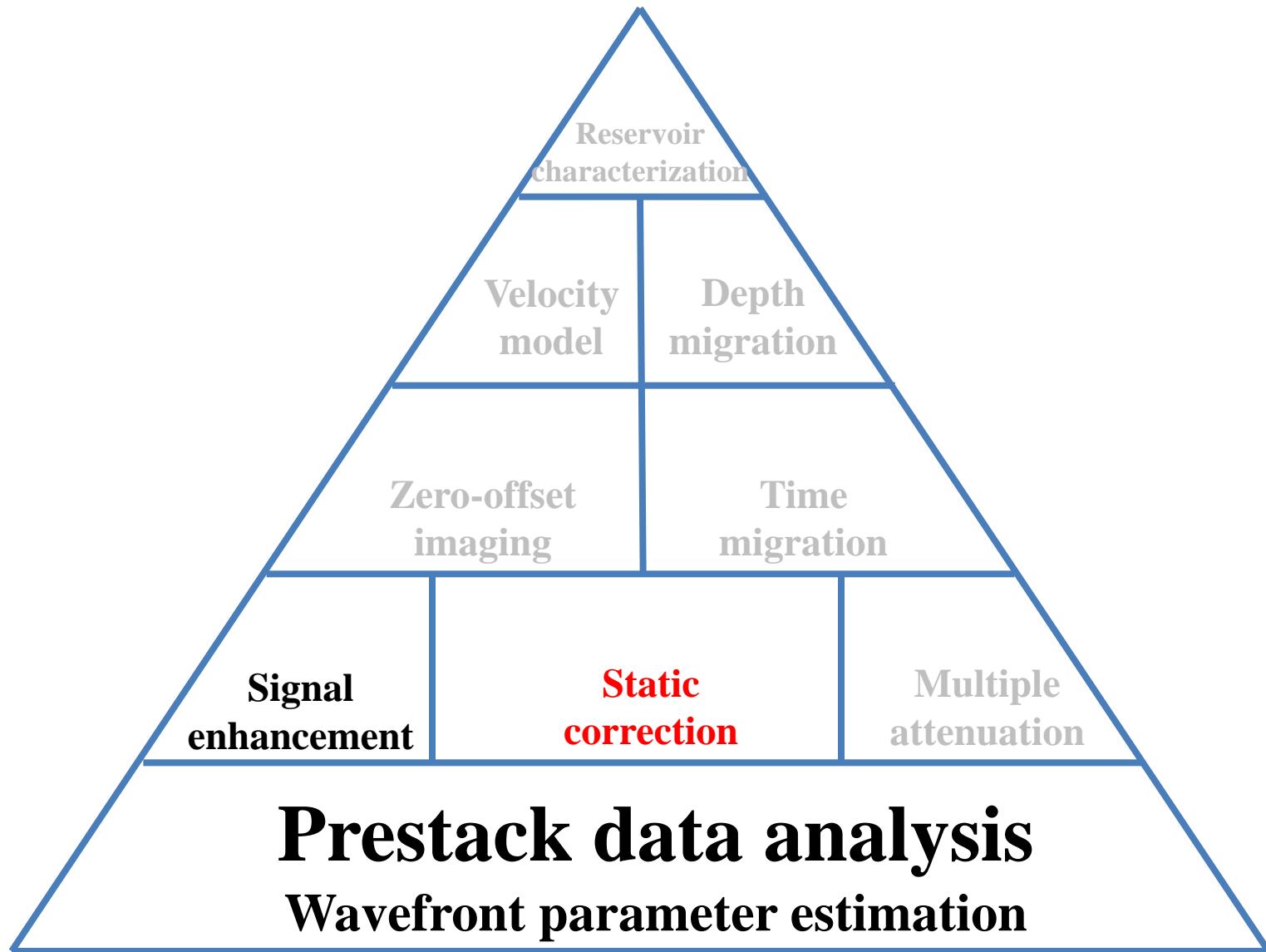
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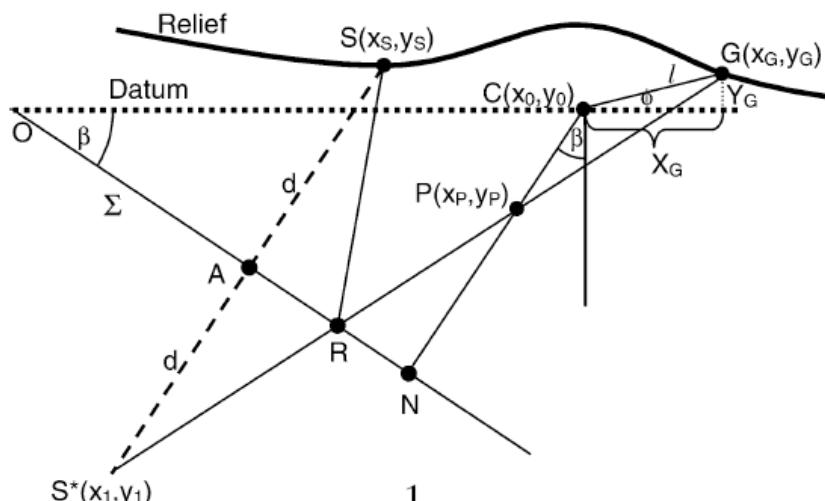


Non-CMP based seismic data analysis, processing and imaging



Rugged Topography

Gurevich et al., 2002



$$\Delta \tau^- = \frac{1}{v_0}$$

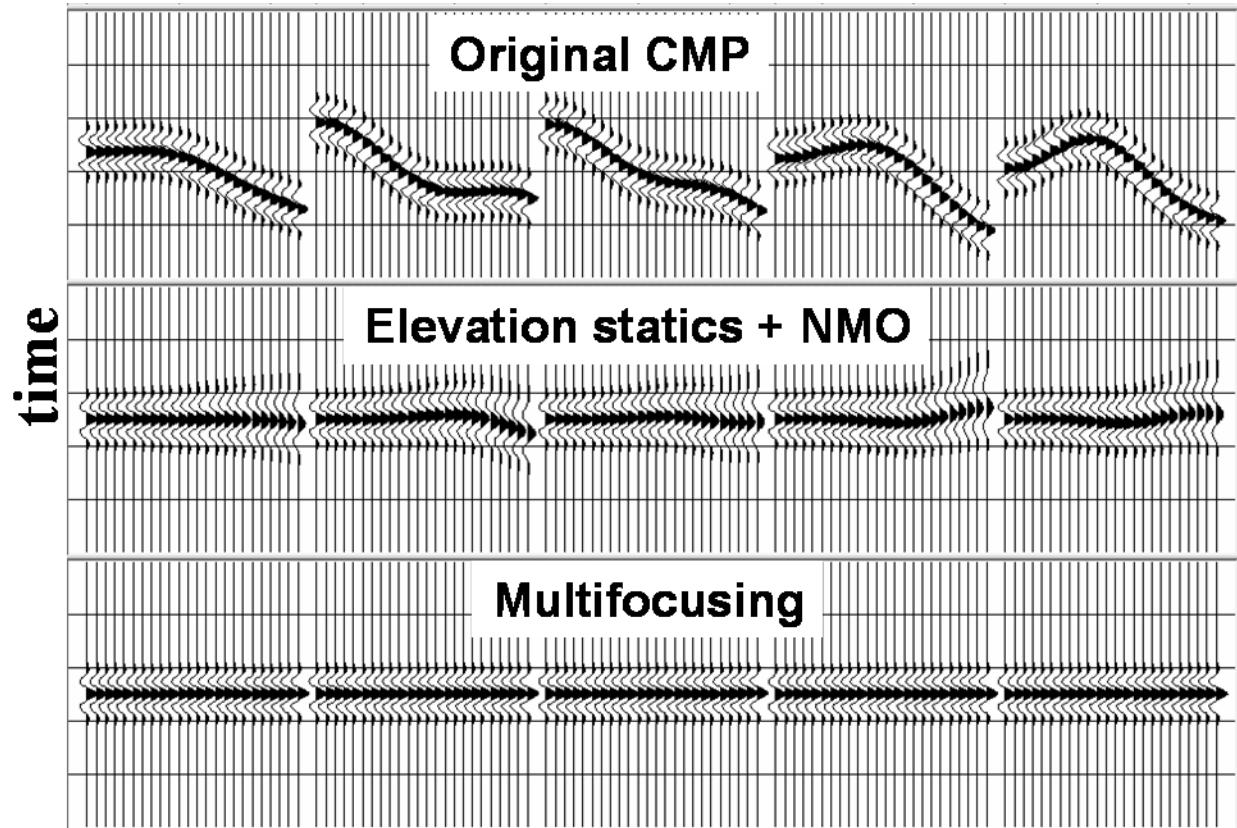
$$\times \left[\sqrt{(R^-)^2 + (Y_G^2 + X_G^2)} + 2(X_G \sin \beta + Y_G \cos \beta)R^- - R^- \right].$$

$$\Delta \tau^+ = \frac{1}{v_0}$$

$$\times \left[\sqrt{(R^+)^2 + (Y_S^2 + X_S^2)} + 2(X_S \sin \beta + Y_S \cos \beta)R^+ - R^+ \right]$$

$$\sigma = \frac{X_S - X_G - (Y_S - Y_G) \tan \beta}{X_S + X_G - (Y_S + Y_G) \tan \beta + \frac{2(X_S X_G - Y_S Y_G) + (X_S Y_G + X_G Y_S)(\cos^2 \beta - \sin^2 \beta)}{R_{NIP}} \sin \beta}.$$

RUGGED TOPOGRAPHY CMPs



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Elevation statics + NMO +Stack

time

Multifocusing Stack

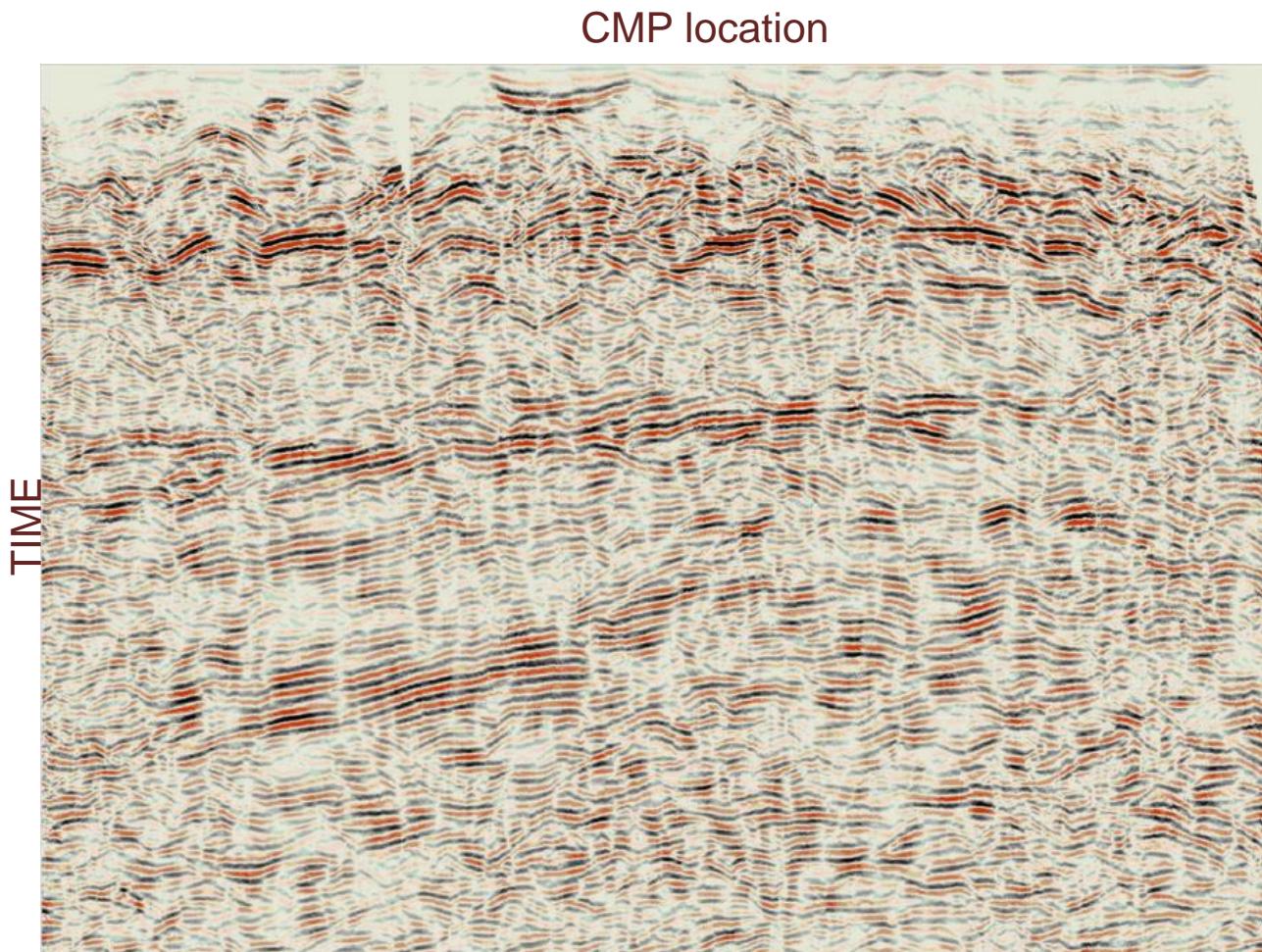
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Statics solution

- Multifocusing statics correction solution is based on the surface consistent concept and prestack signal enhancement.
- It overcomes a hyperbolic assumption for arrival traveltimes

MF

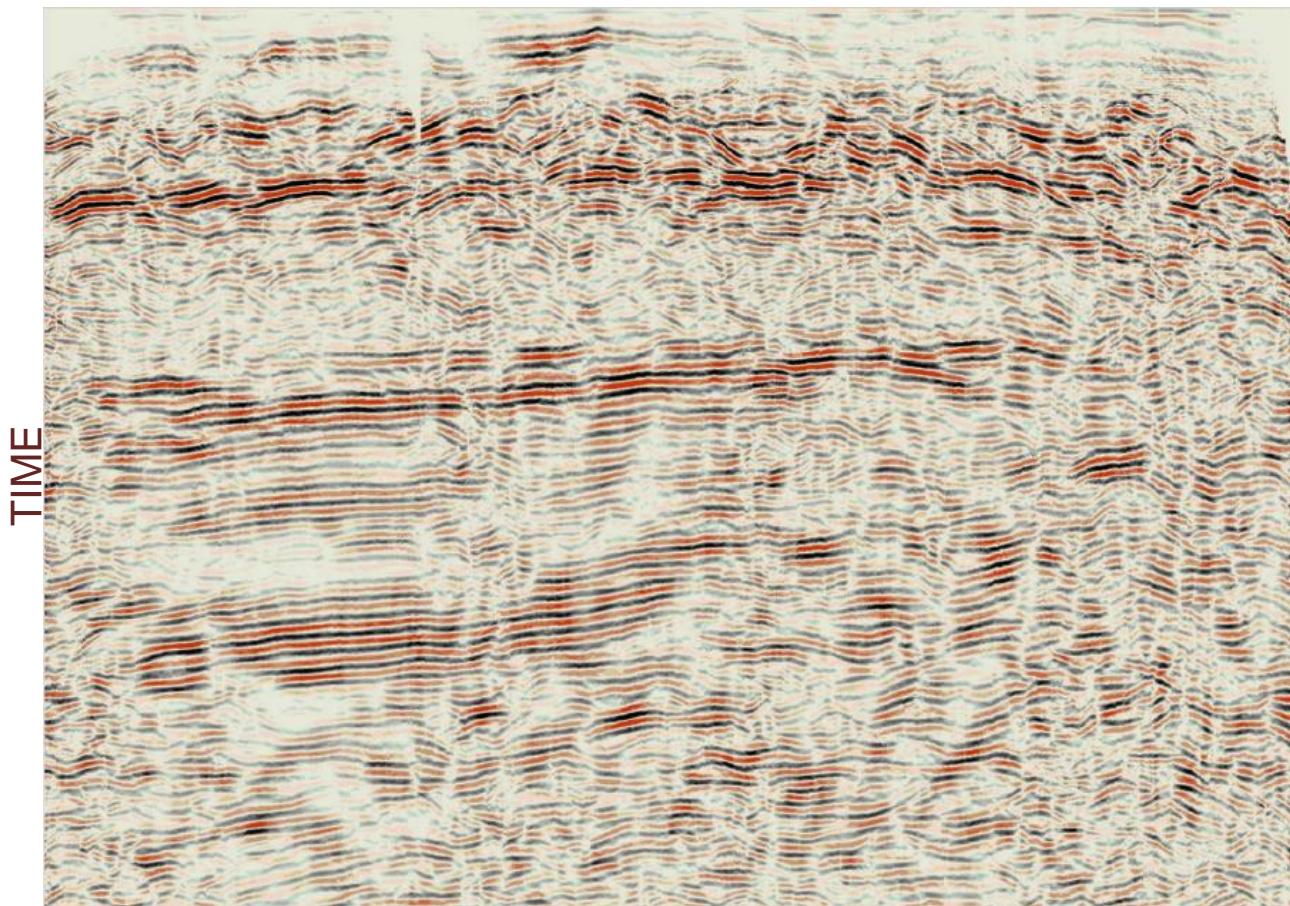
Stack with standard
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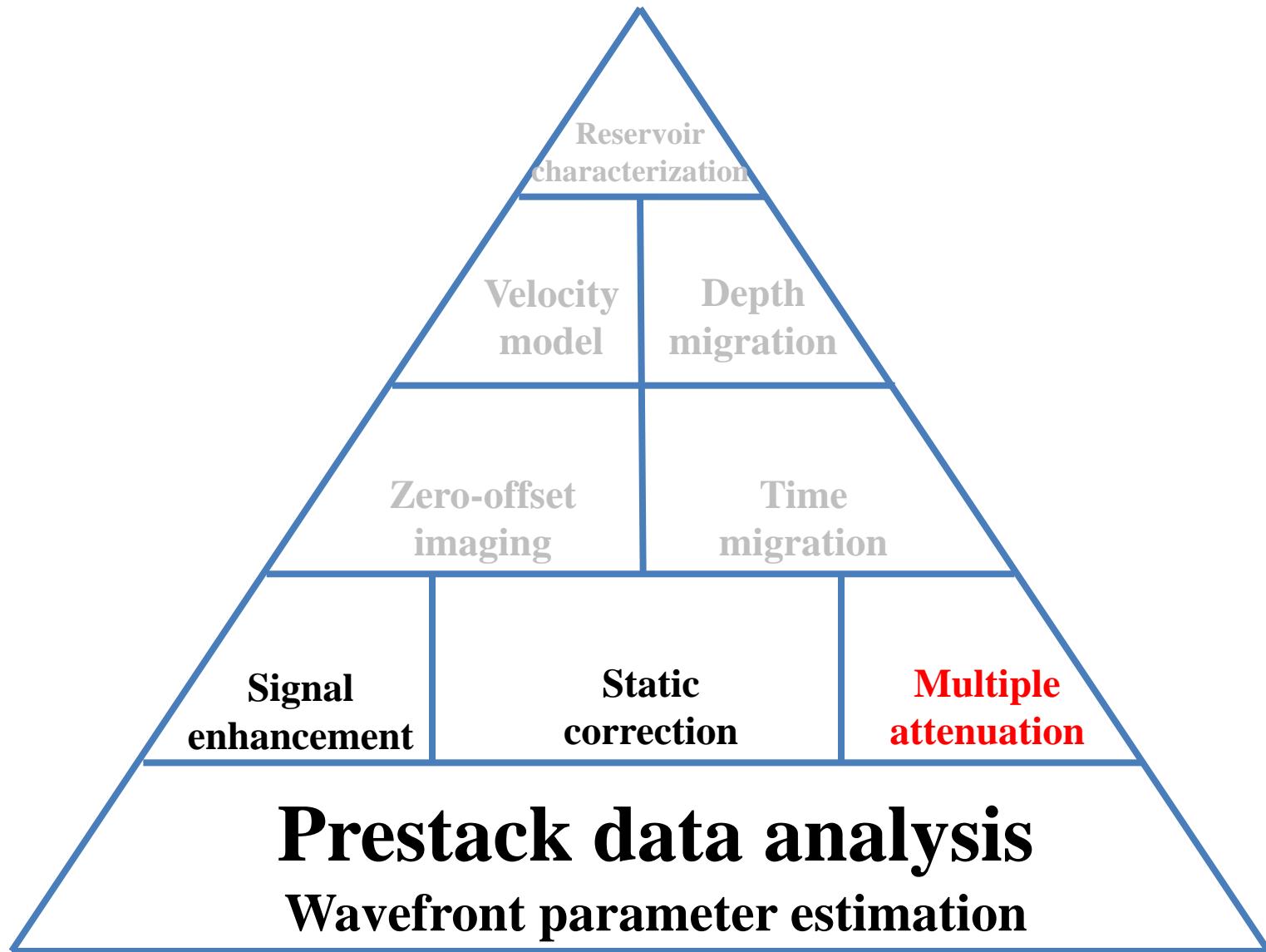
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CMP location



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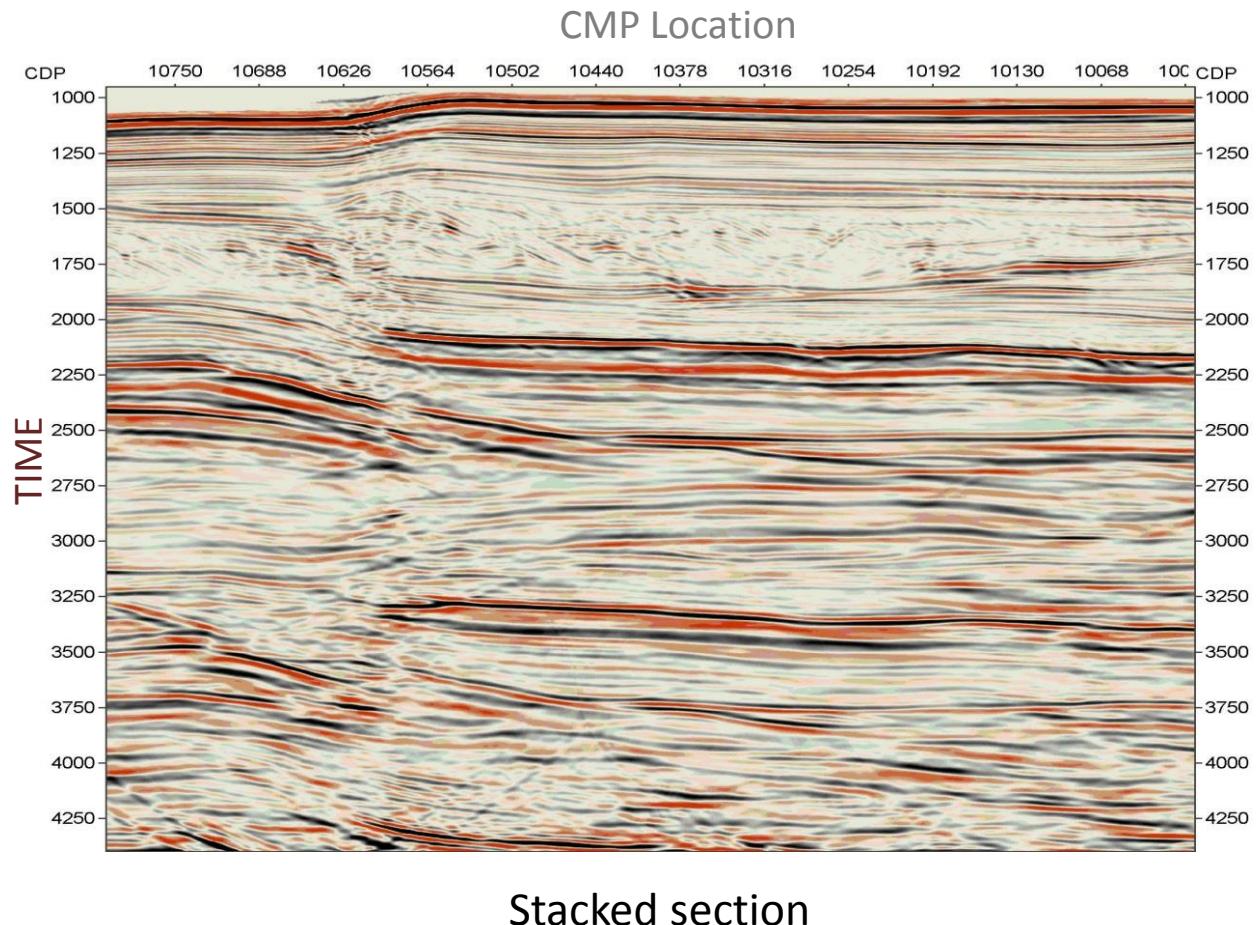


Multiple Attenuation

- The timing of any multiple event, no matter how complicated its raypath, consists of segments that are primary events
- Parameters obtained in prestack wavefield analysis allow prediction and better separation between primary reflections and multiples in the wavefront parameter domain resulting in computing an accurate “multiples model” and better subtraction from the total wavefield

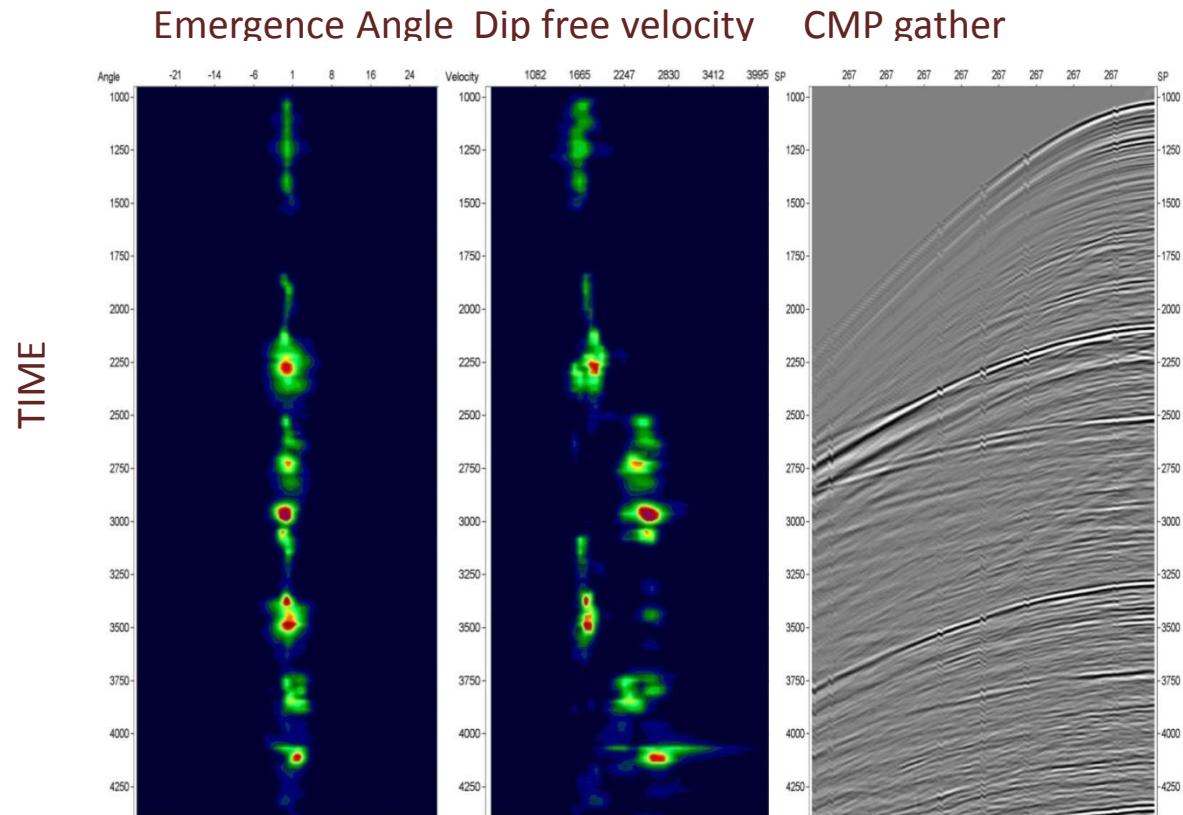
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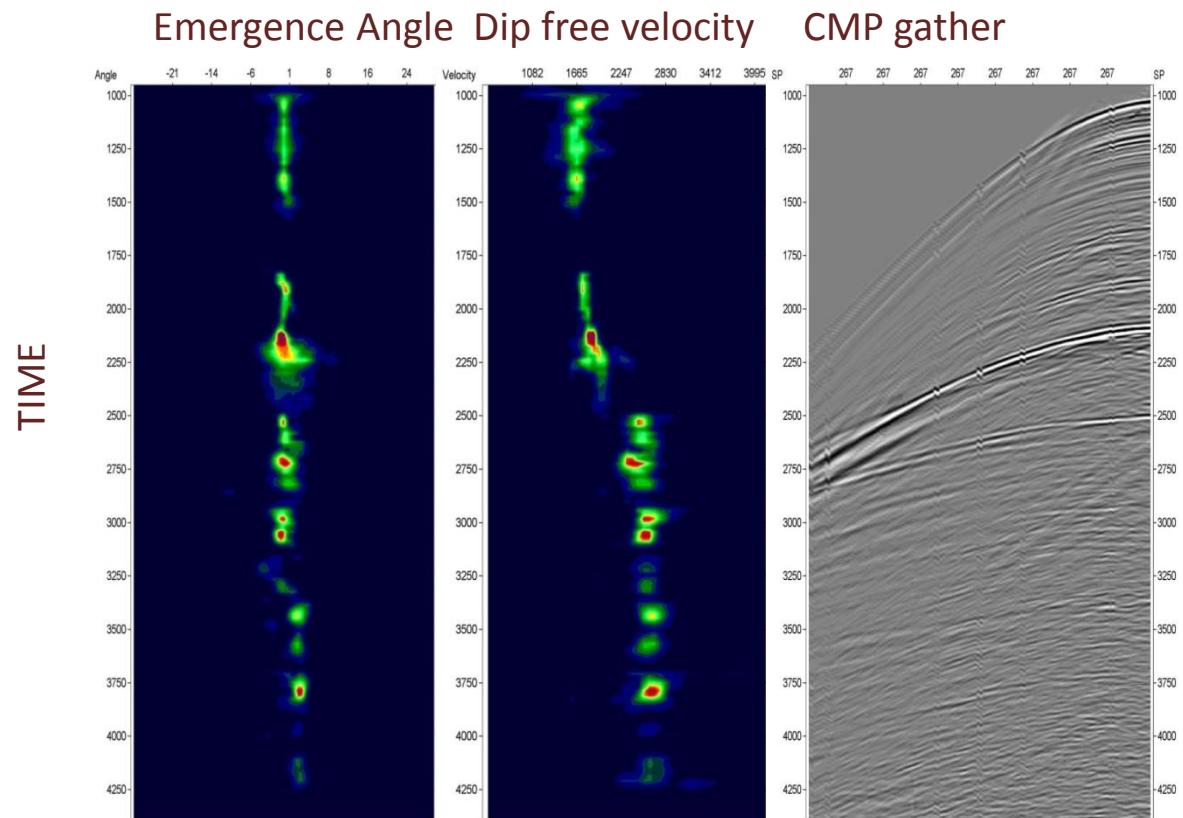
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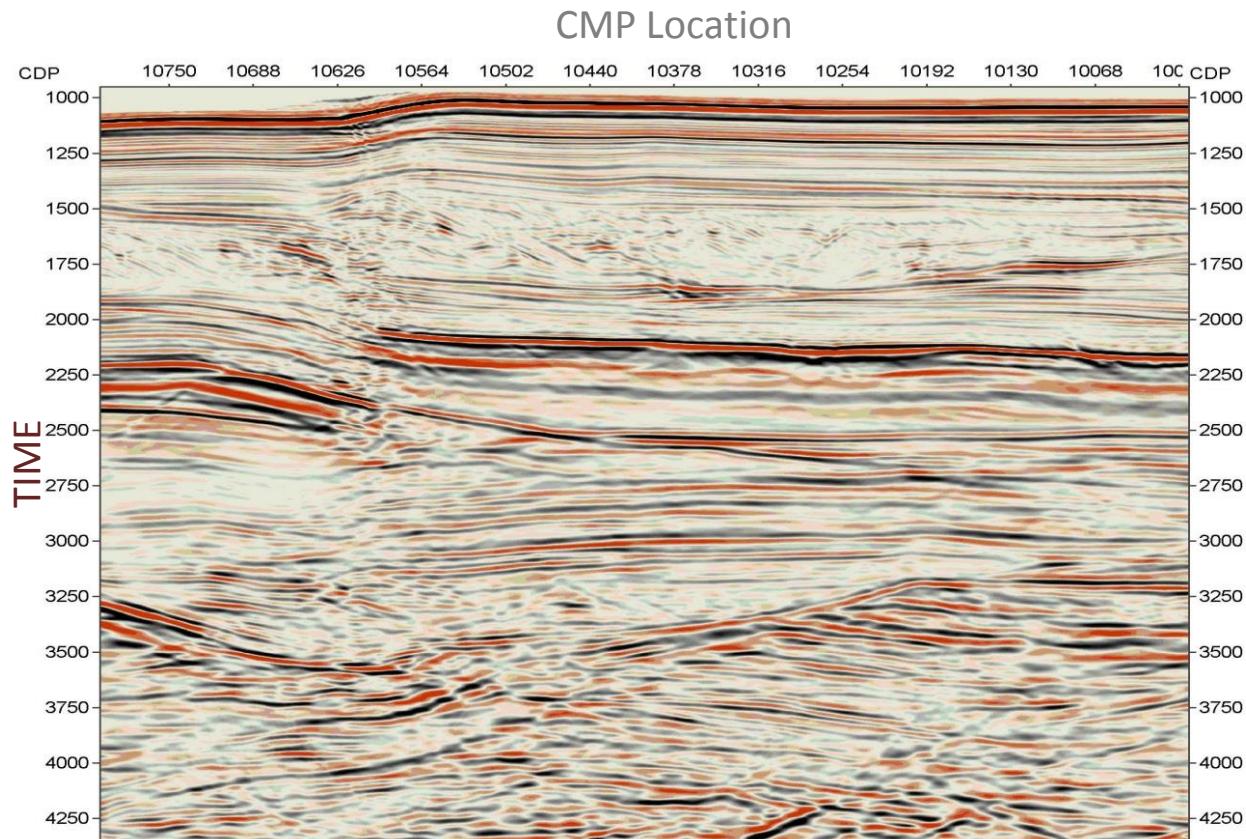
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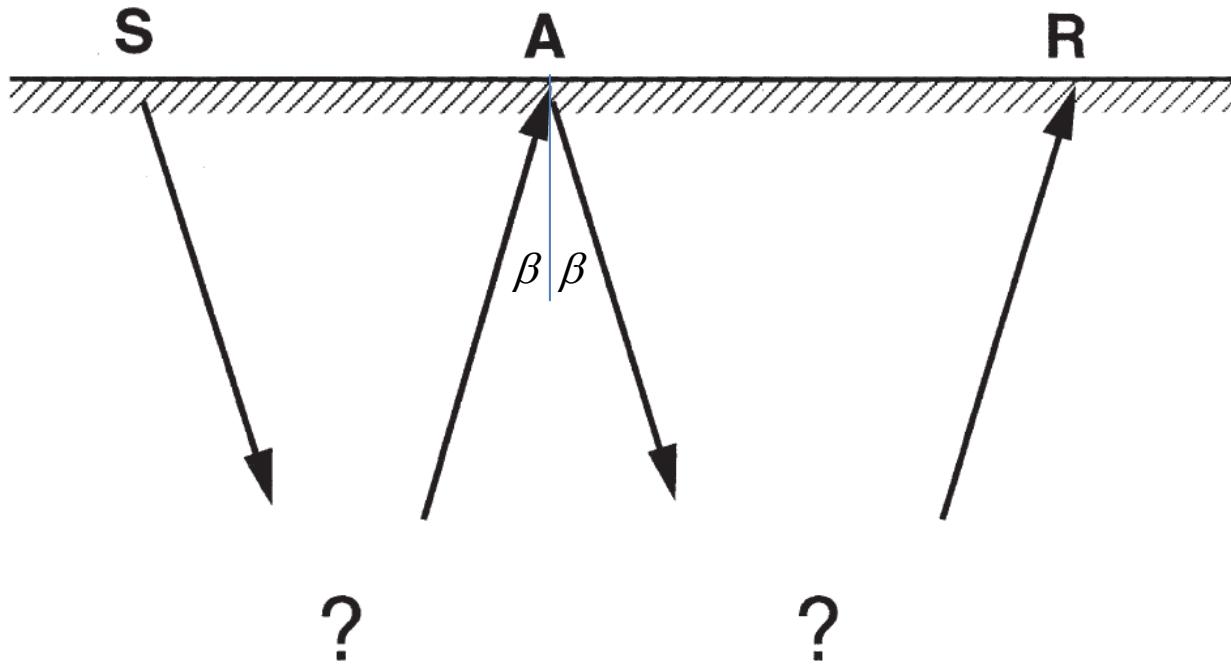


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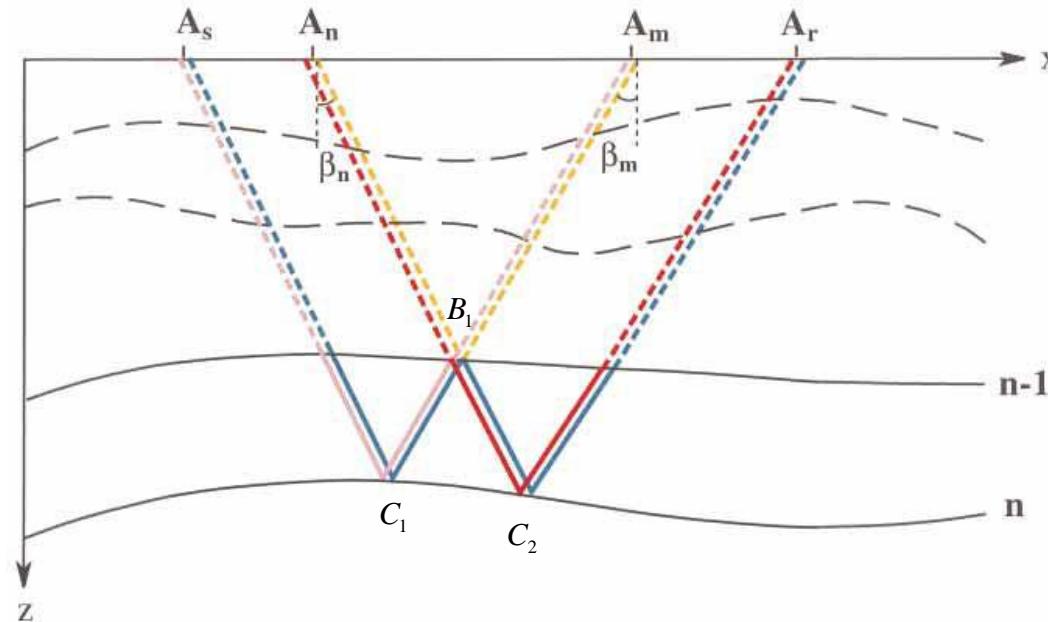


Stacked section after multiple attenuation



In order to predict multiple SAR from two primaries SA and AR we must find intermediate point A

Multiple attenuation using wavefront characteristics of multiple generating primaries

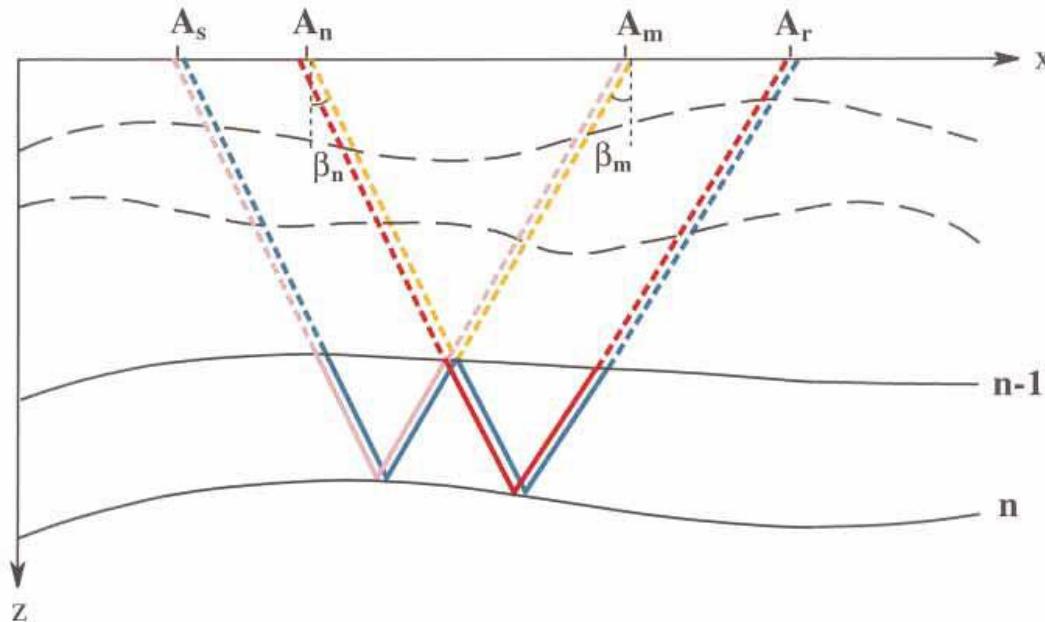


Kinematic properties of multiples. The inter-bed multiple $A_s C_1 B_1 C_2 A_r$, can be represented as a combination of three primary events reflected from the interfaces $n - 1$ and n , namely $A_s C_1 A_m$, $A_n C_2 A_r$, and $A_n B_1 A_m$

$$T_m = T_{p1} + T_{p2} - T_{p3}$$

Thus, to predict the multiple for a given source and receiver positions A_s and A_r , we need to find locations of intermediate points A_n and A_m . It is evident that:

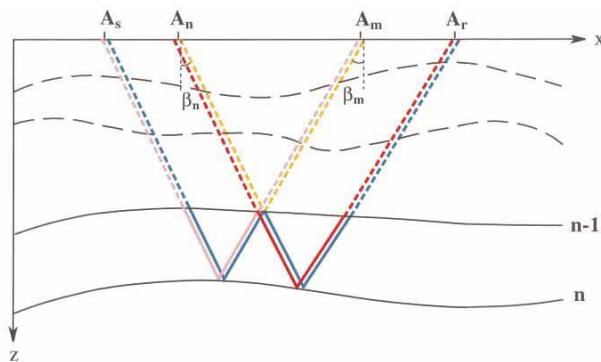
- 1) The emergence angle, β_m is identical for the wave emitted from source A_s , reflected from the interface n at point C_1 and emerging at point A_m , and the wave emitted from source A_n , reflected from interface $n - 1$ at point B_1 and recorded at the same point A_m .
- 2) The emergence angle β_n is identical for the wave emitted from source A_r , reflected from the interface n at point C_2 and emerging at point A_n , and the wave emitted from source A_m , reflected from interface $n - 1$ at point B_1 and recorded at the same point A_n .



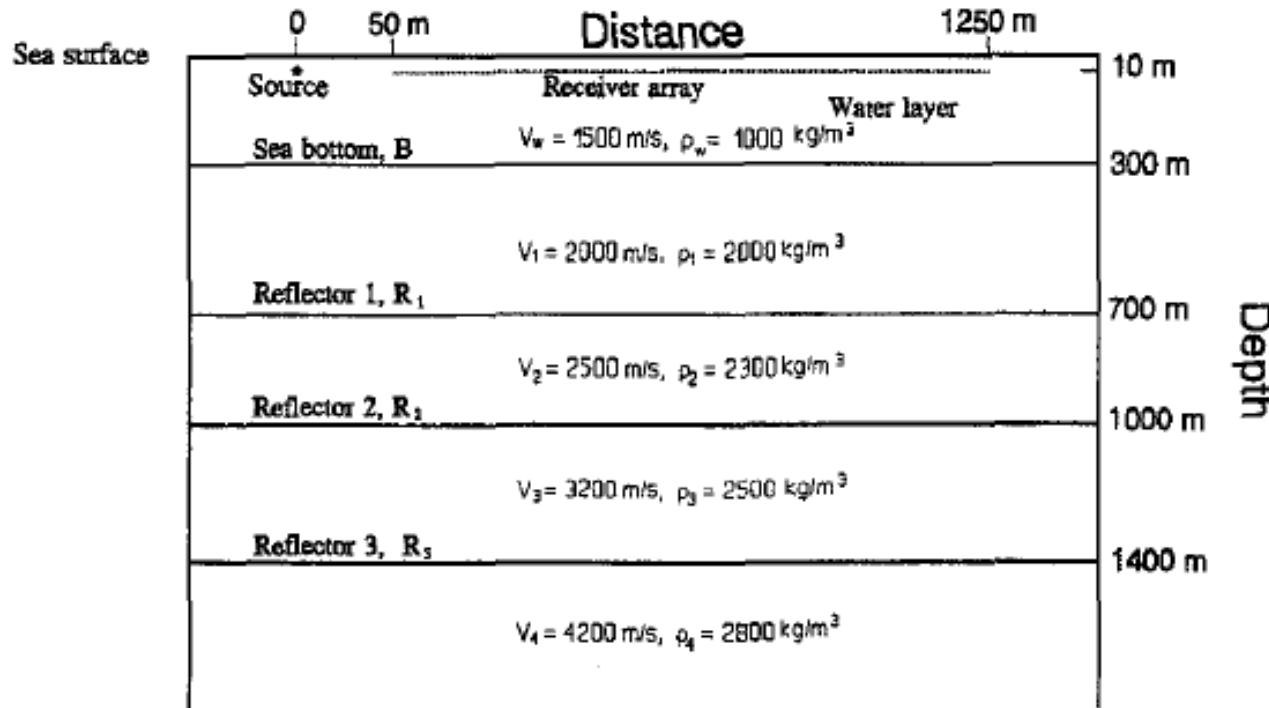
The crucial step in our prediction procedure is the estimation of the angle of emergence of the reflection wavefront.

These conditions ("multiple conditions") are used to determine the segments of primary events generating the multiple. The prediction procedure consists of three steps:

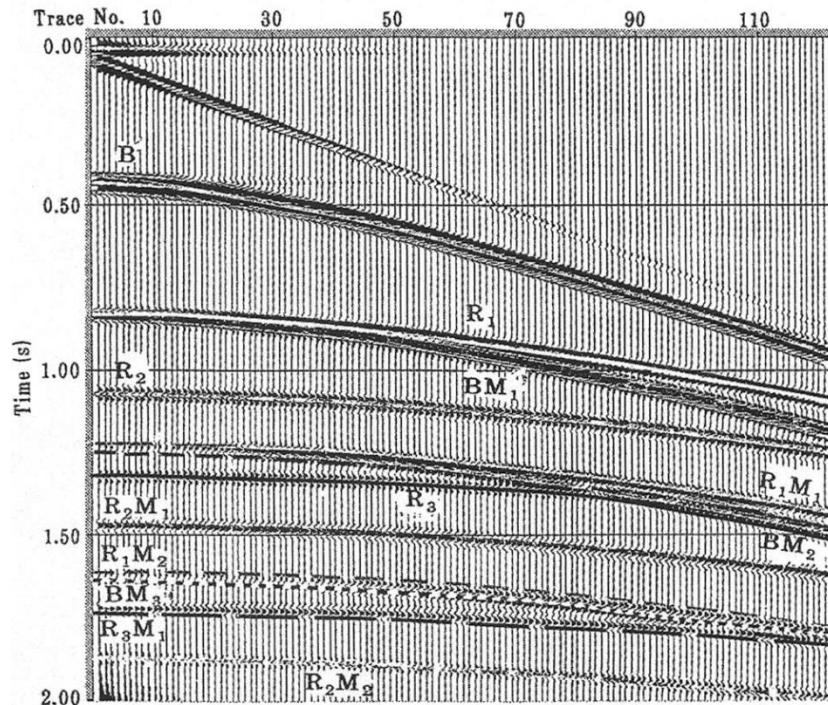
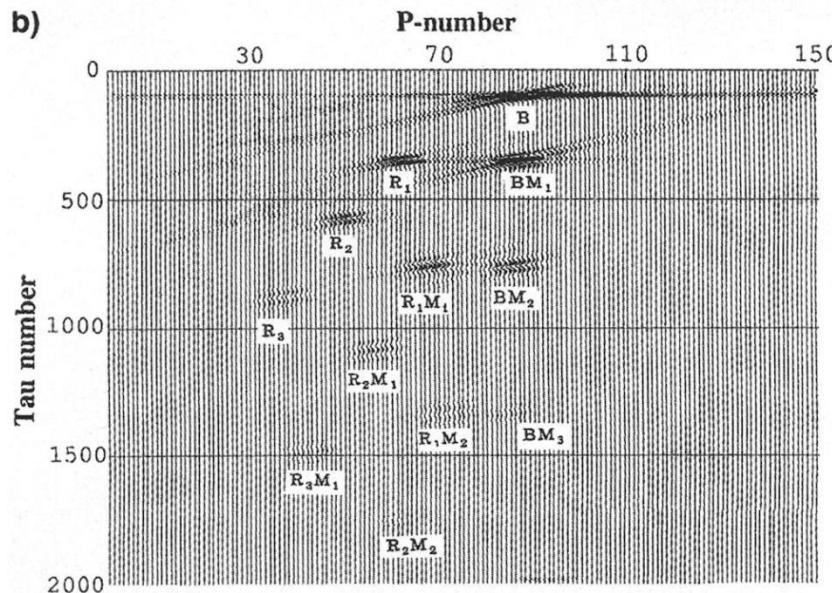
- 1) The angle of emergence of the primary reflections from multiple generating interfaces is estimated for every trace of each common shot gather
- 2) For a given source-receiver location, primary reflections that satisfy the multiple conditions are selected (thereby defining the points A_m and A_n , (in Figure)
- 3) The arrival times for multiple events are calculated from known primary reflections



SYNTHETIC EXAMPLE



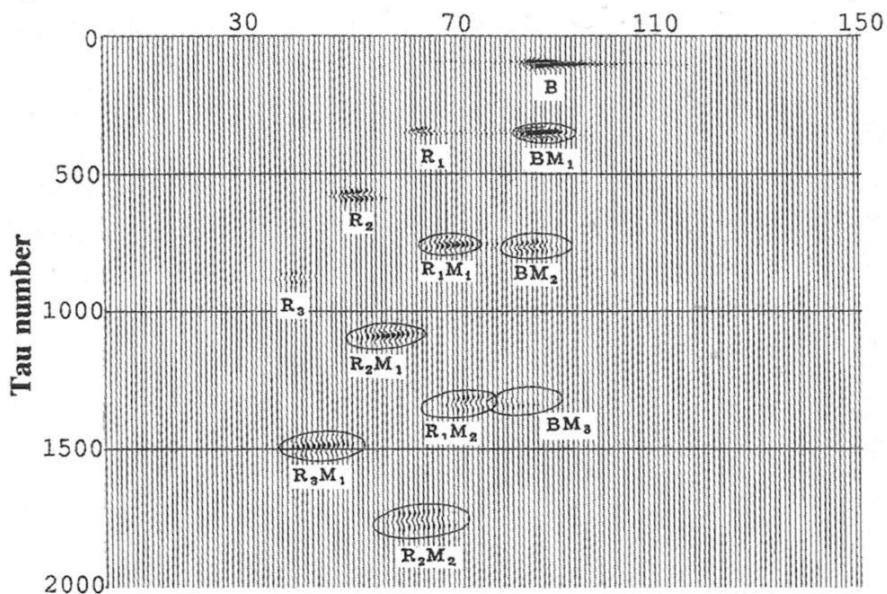
- 1) For a given multiple code (in our case water-bottom or surface-related peg-legs), the angles of emergence and the radii of wavefront curvatures were estimated for primary reflections for each receiver in the CSP gather. This was done using the wave correlation procedure and local NMO correction.
- 2) For each shot-receiver pair, the intermediate points participating in the composition of a specified multiple event were determined using the multiple conditions.
- 3) The traveltimes of the multiples were calculated.

a)**b)**

(a) Synthetic CSP gather calculated using the FD method. The primary reflectors, B, R₁, R₂, and R₃, are labeled on the gather. The water-bottom multiples of the first, second, third, and fourth orders are labeled BM , BM_2 , BM_3 , and BM_4 , respectively. The symbols $R_1 M_1$, $R_1 M_2$, and $R_1 M_3$ represent the first, second, and third order peg-leg multiples from reflector R_1 . The peg-leg multiples from R_2 are $R_2 M_0$ and $R_2 M_2$. Only the first order multiple $R_3 M_1$ from R_3 can be observed. Multiple traveltimes predicted using our prediction procedure are shown.

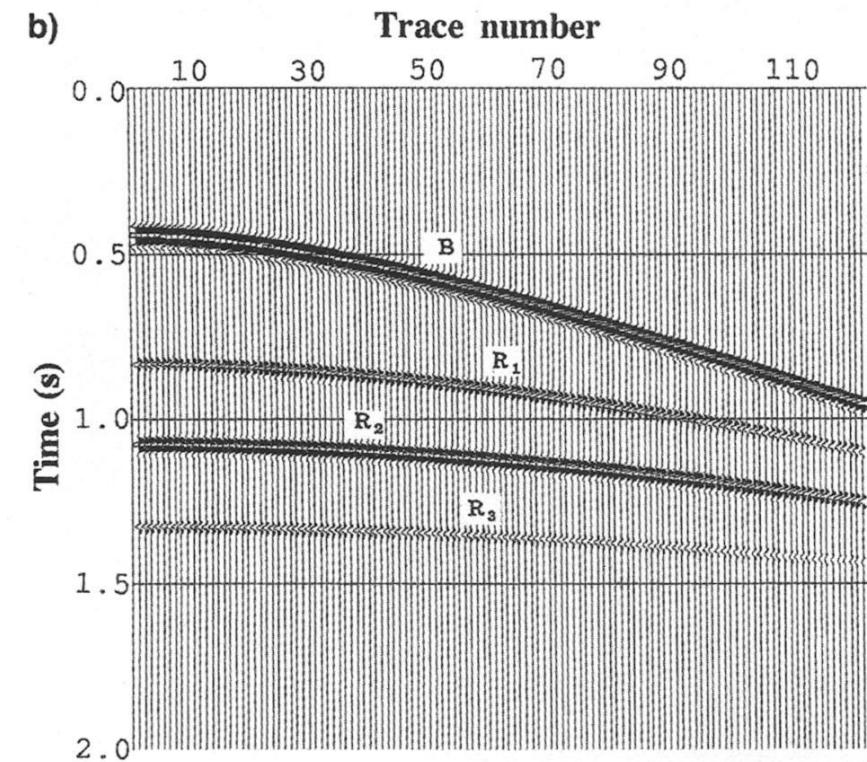
(b) the parabolic Radon transform of the seismogram in (a).

a)

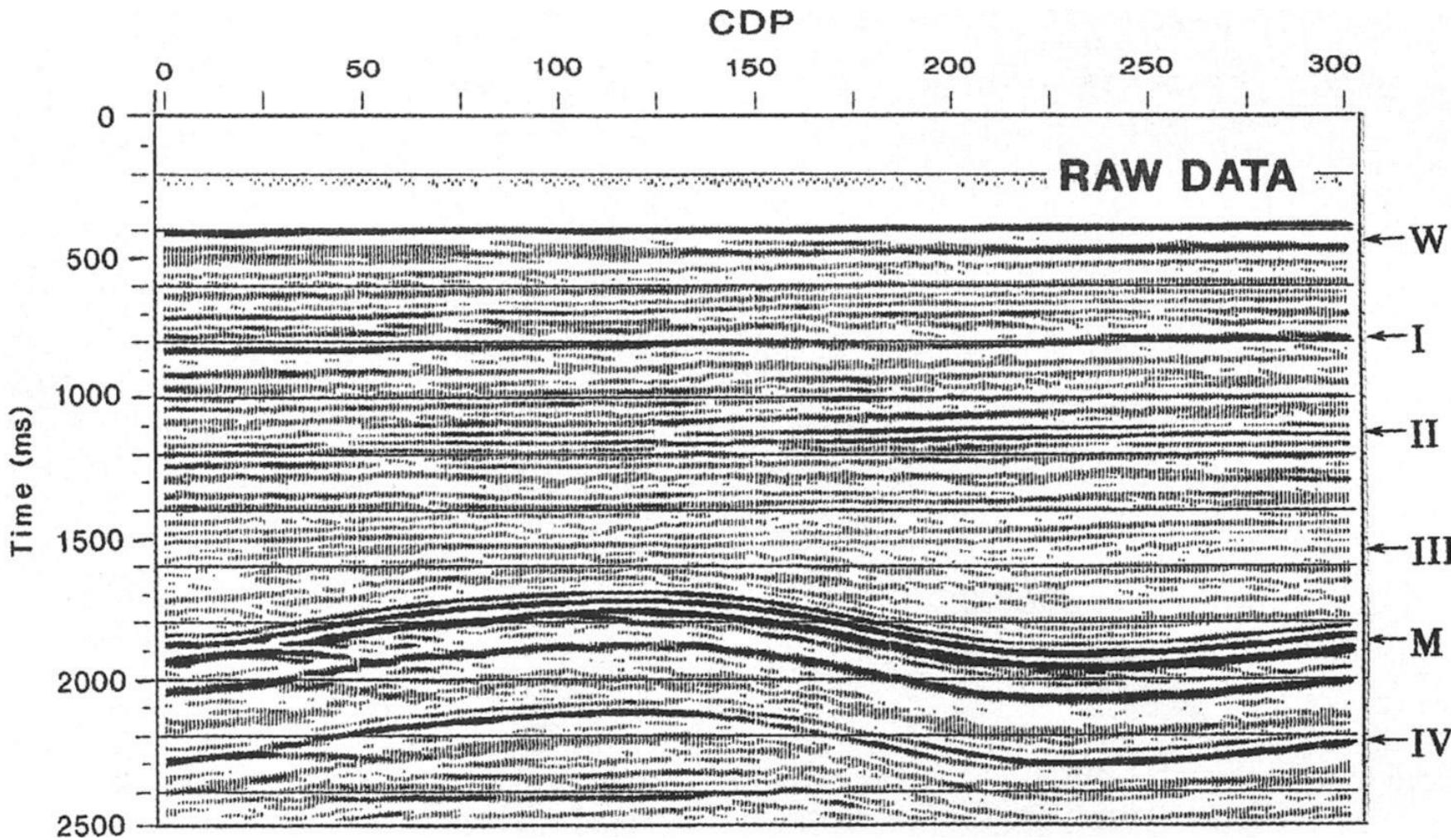


(a) Semblance weighted parabolic *Radon* section calculated for the data set. Results show improved separation of the events. Filter for multiple suppression (muting ellipses) is shown by solid lines.

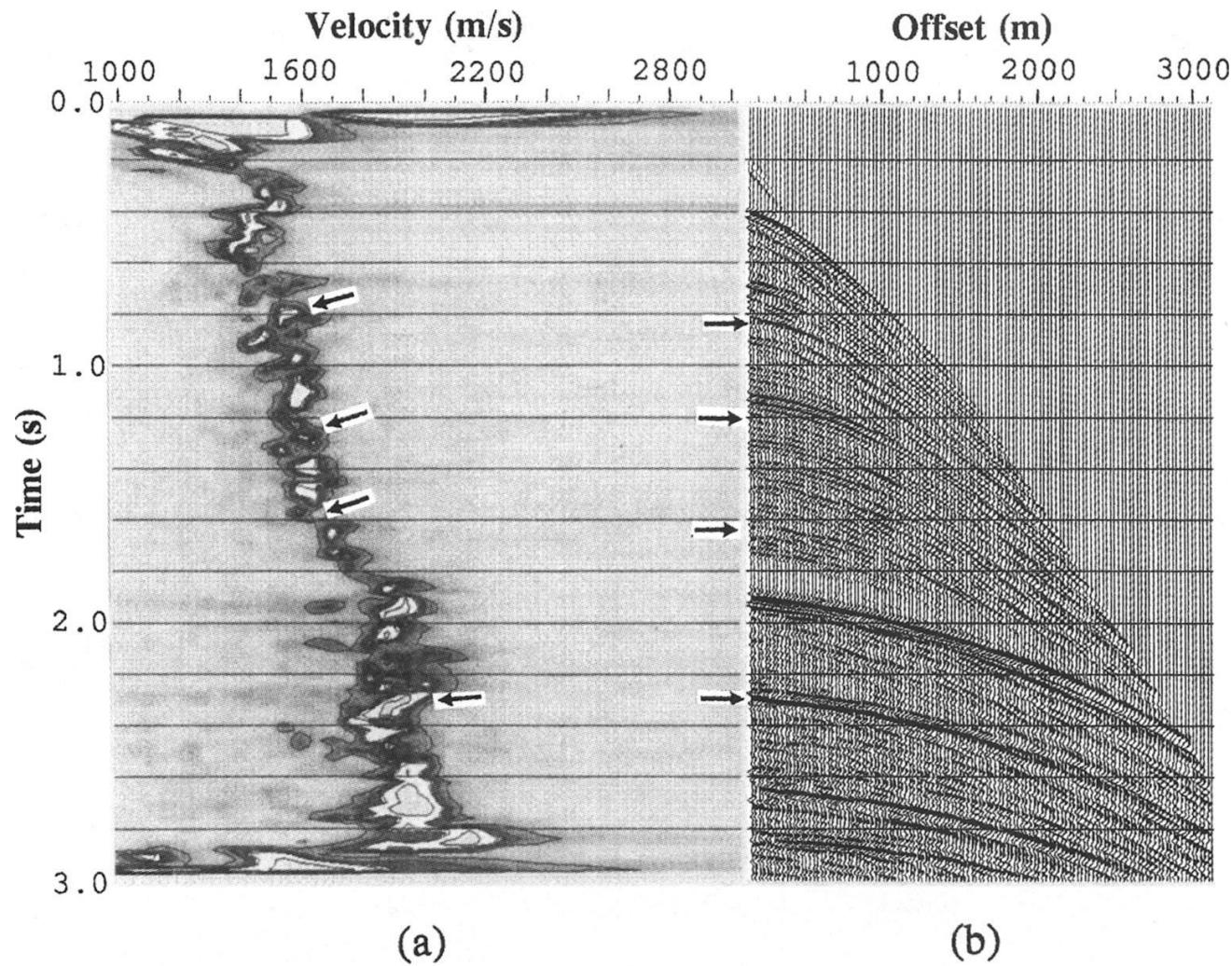
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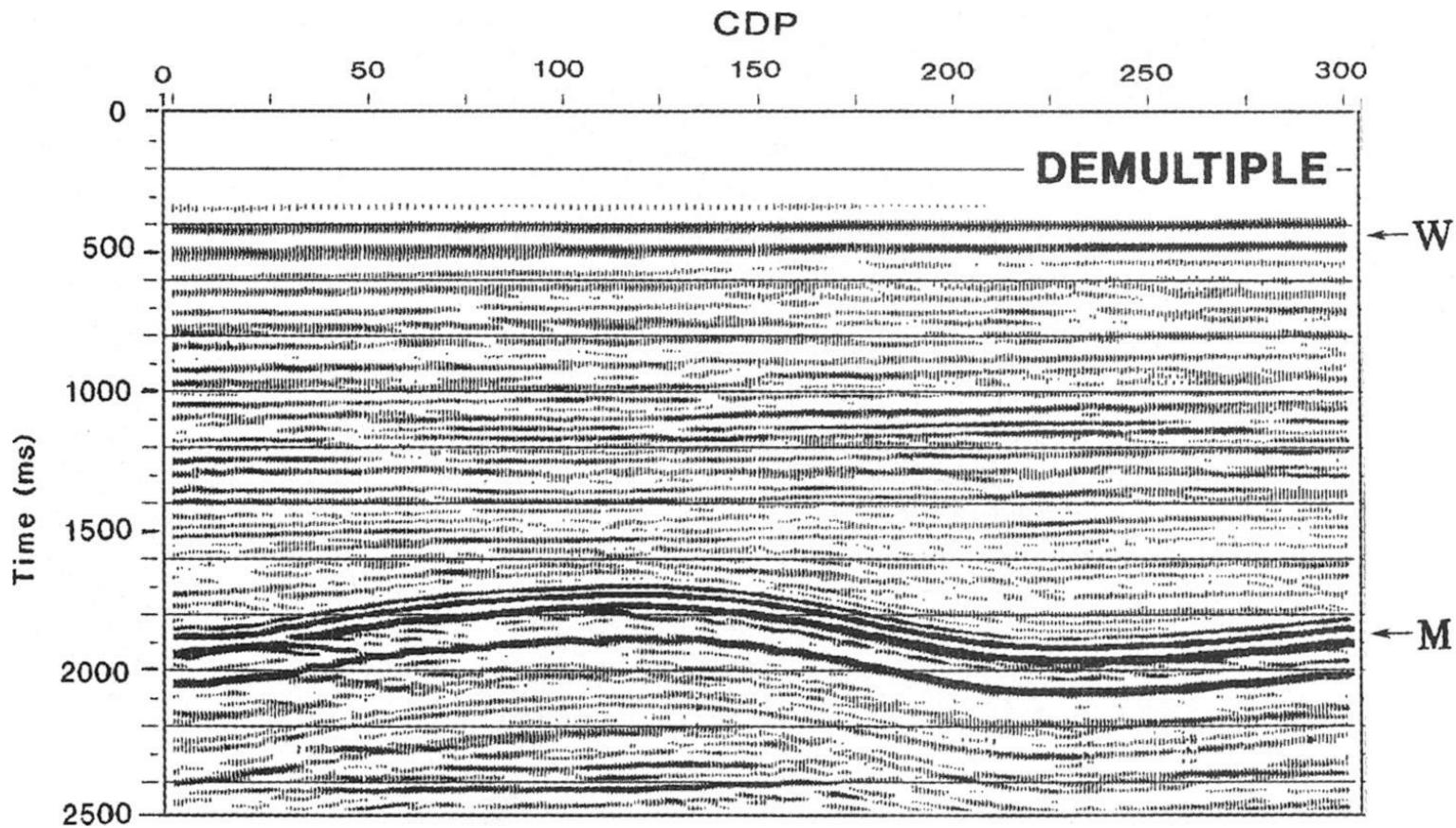
(b) Results of multiple filtering followed by inverse parabolic *Radon* transform.



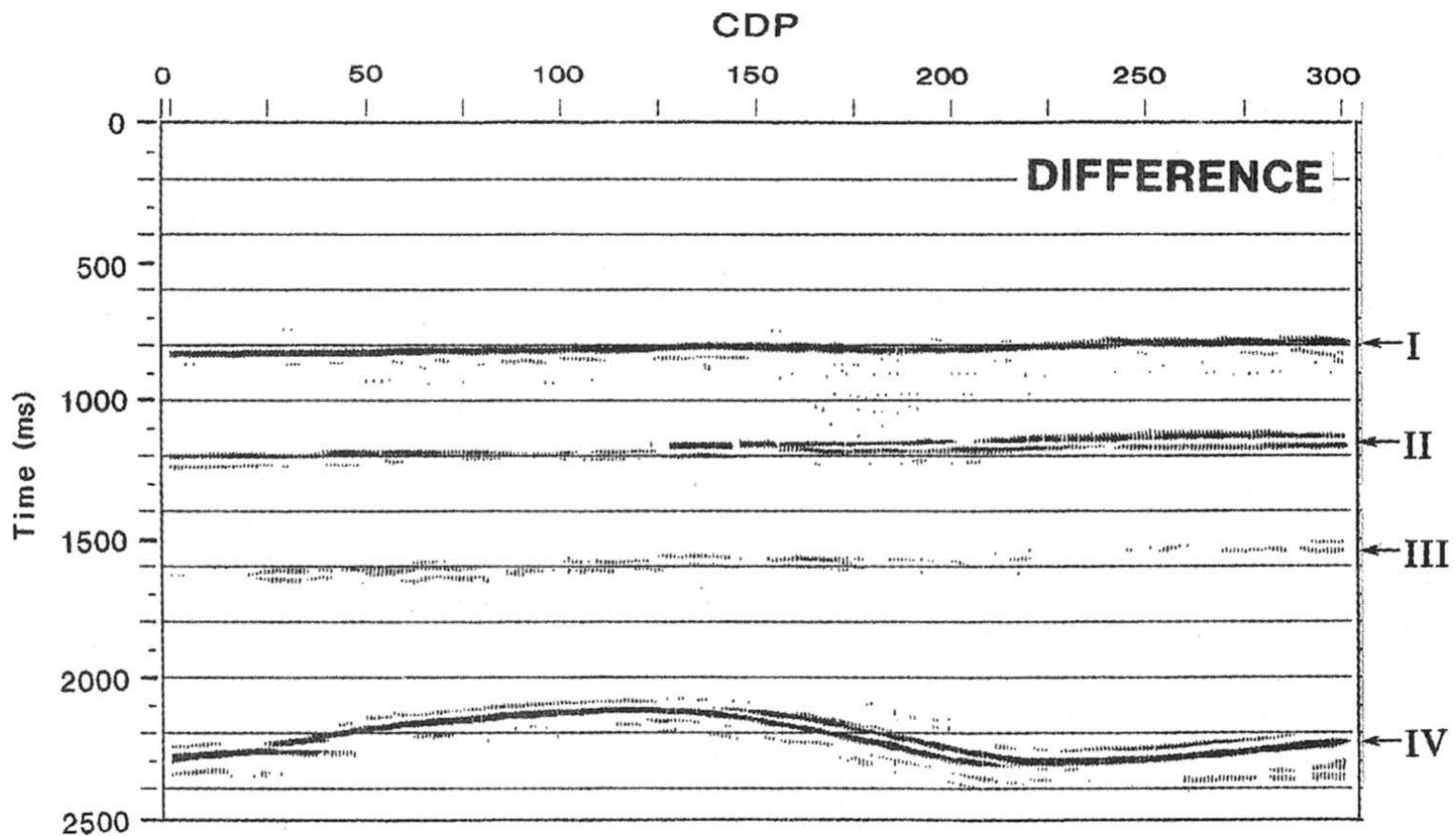
Stacked section containing numerous water-bottom reverberations and multiple reflections. Three orders of water bottom (labeled I, II, and III), and a strong peg-leg (labeled IV) produced by a reflector *M* at about 1.9 s are indicated.



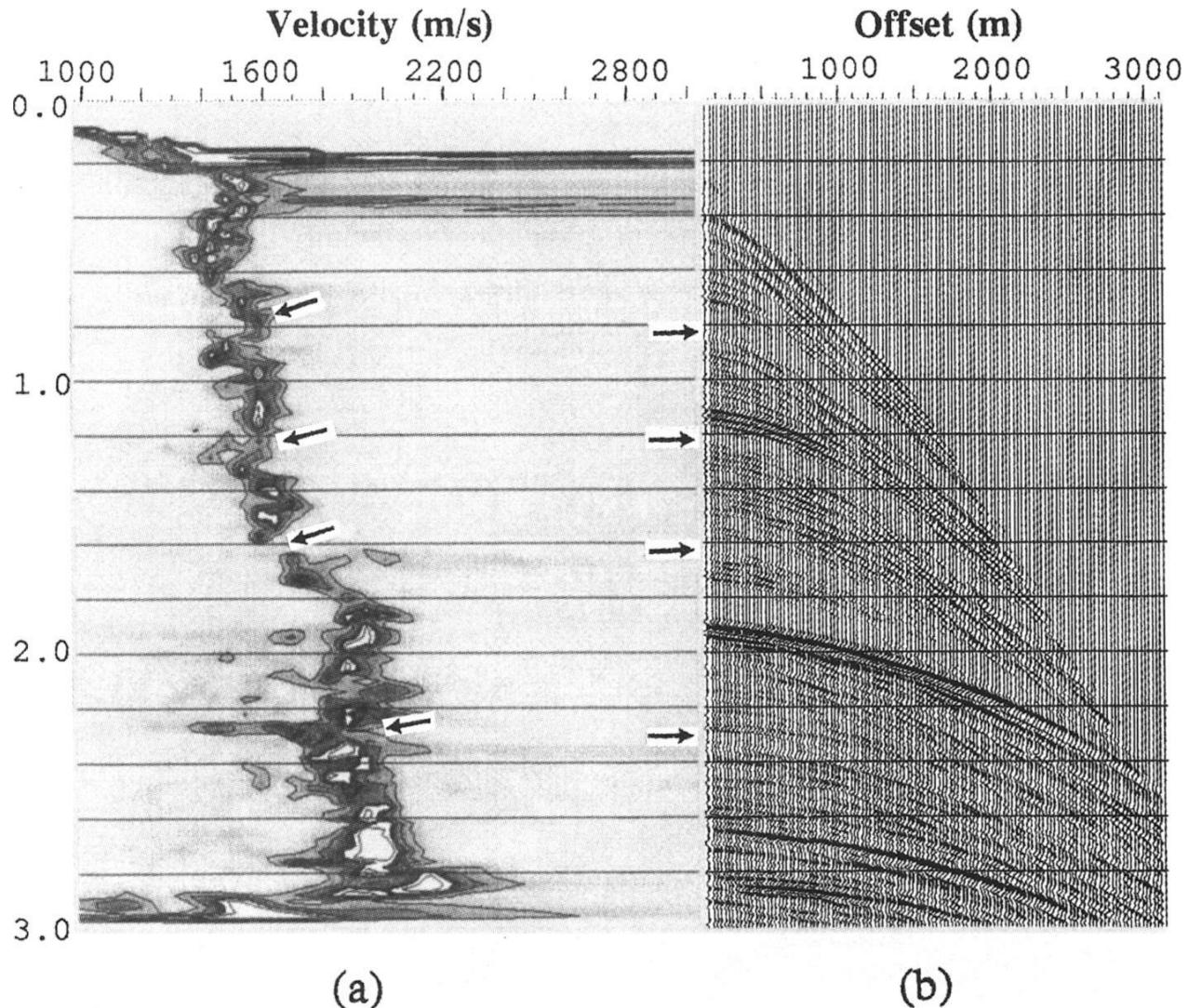
(a) Semblance velocity spectrum. (b) CMP gather acquired in the Mediterranean Sea off Israel. Arrows indicate water-bottom multiples of several orders (times about 0.8, 1.2, and 1.6 s) and a strong peg-leg multiple.



Stacked section after multiple attenuation.

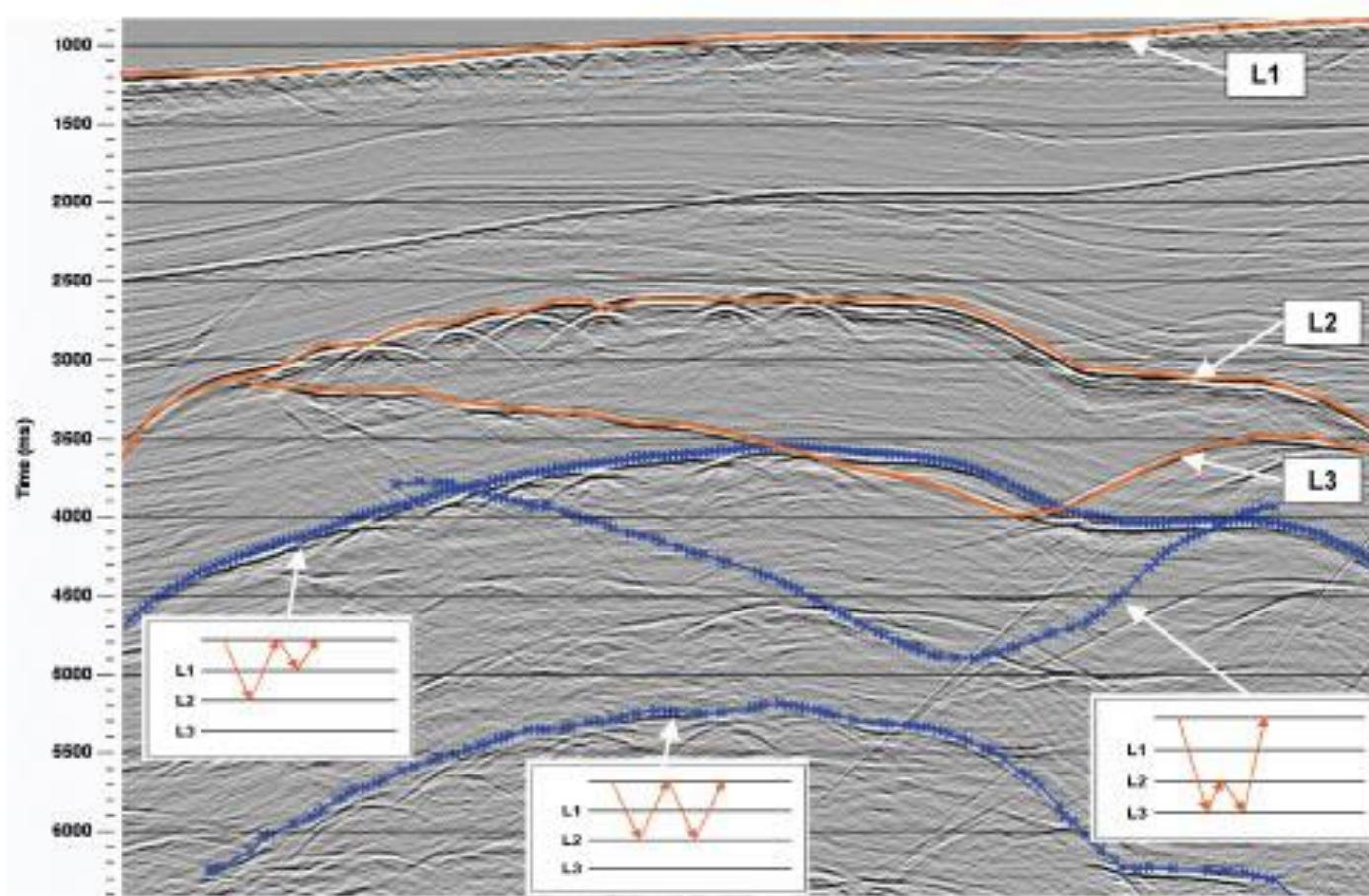


Differential section illustrating exactly what multiple energy has been removed.

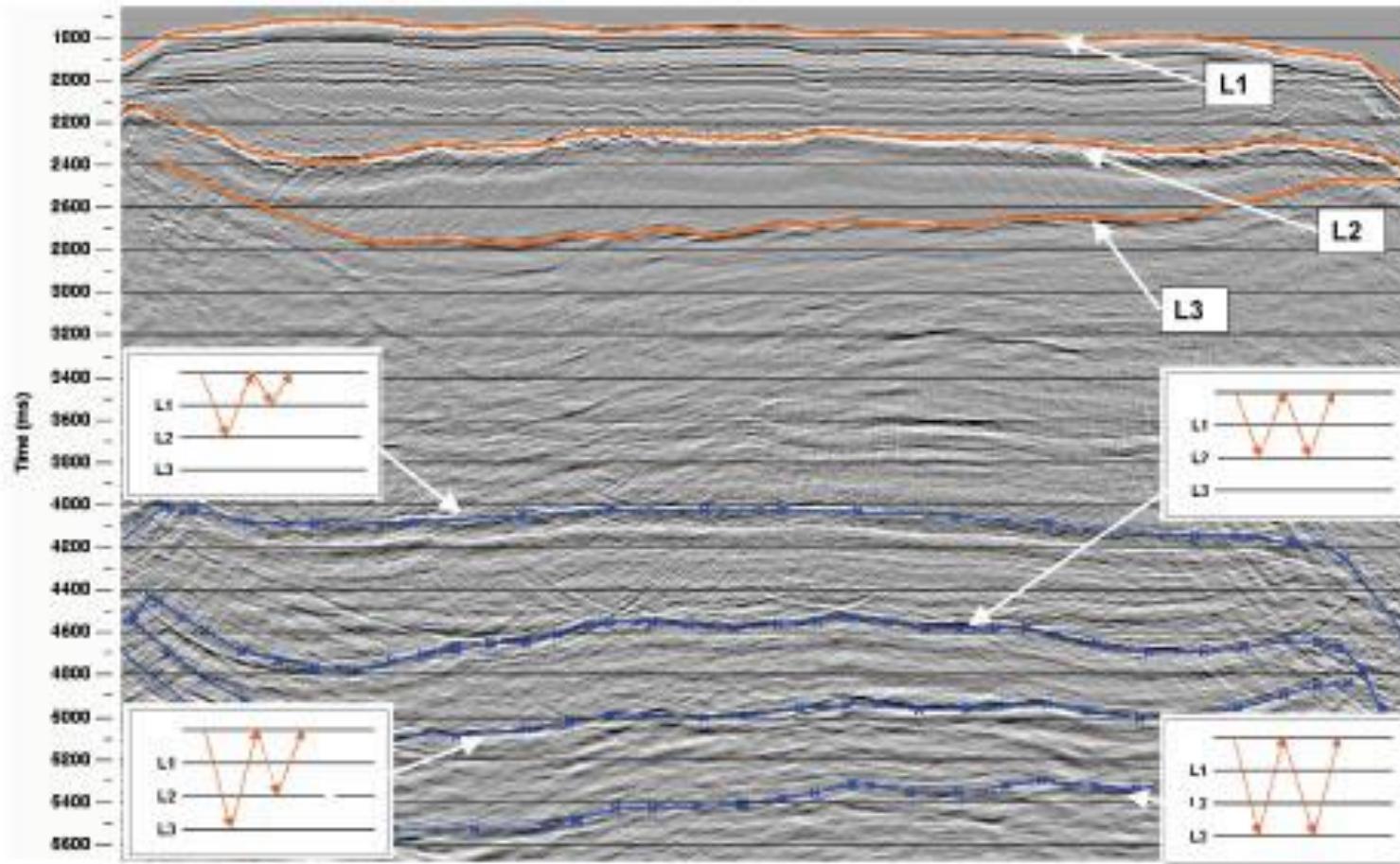


(a) Semblance velocity spectrum after multiple attenuation. (b) CMP gather after attenuation. Arrows indicate places of water-bottom multiples of several orders (times about 0.8, 1.2, and 1.6 s) and a strong peg-leg multiple.

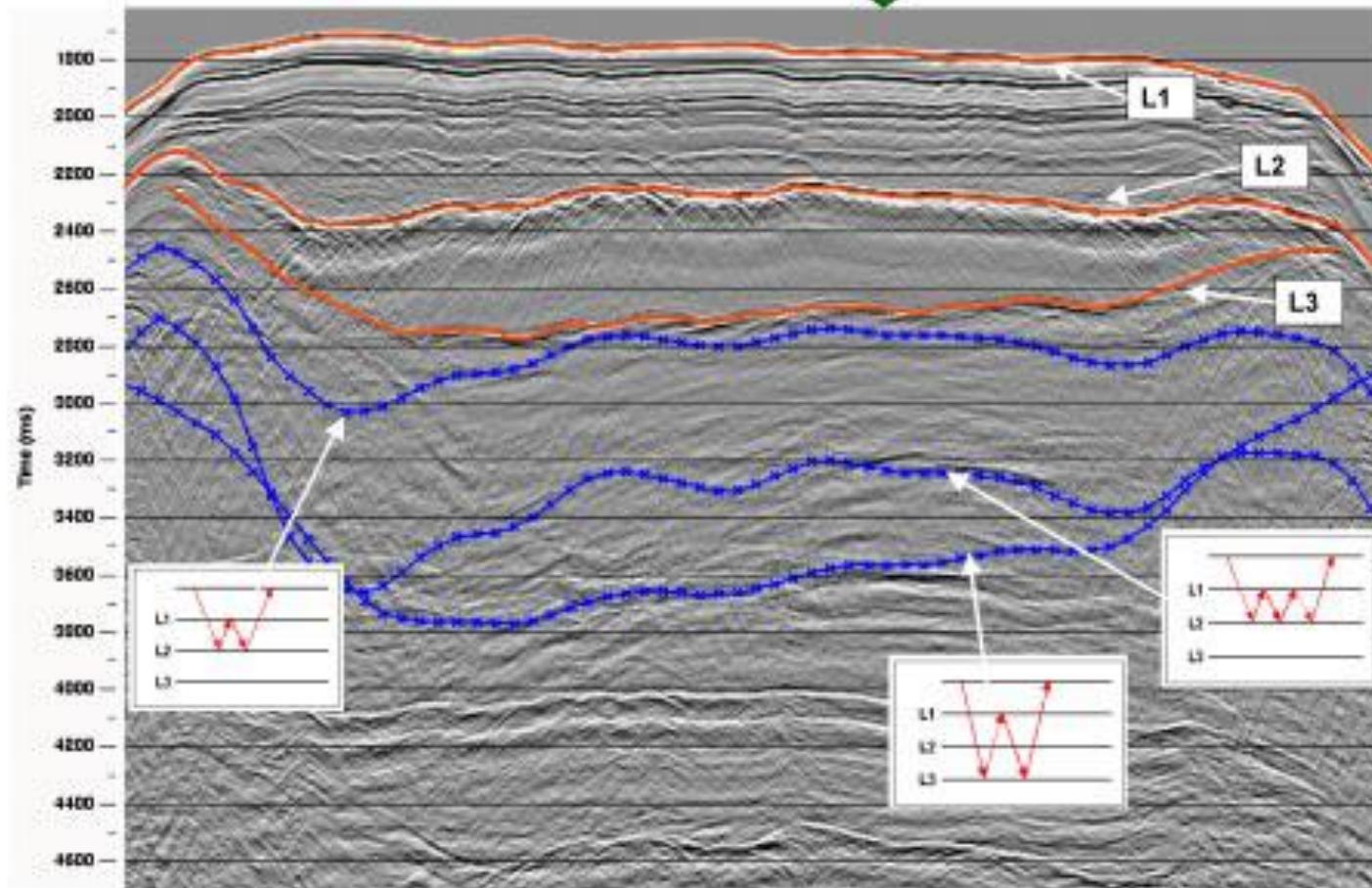
Multiple prediction without prestack data: an efficient tool for interpretive processing



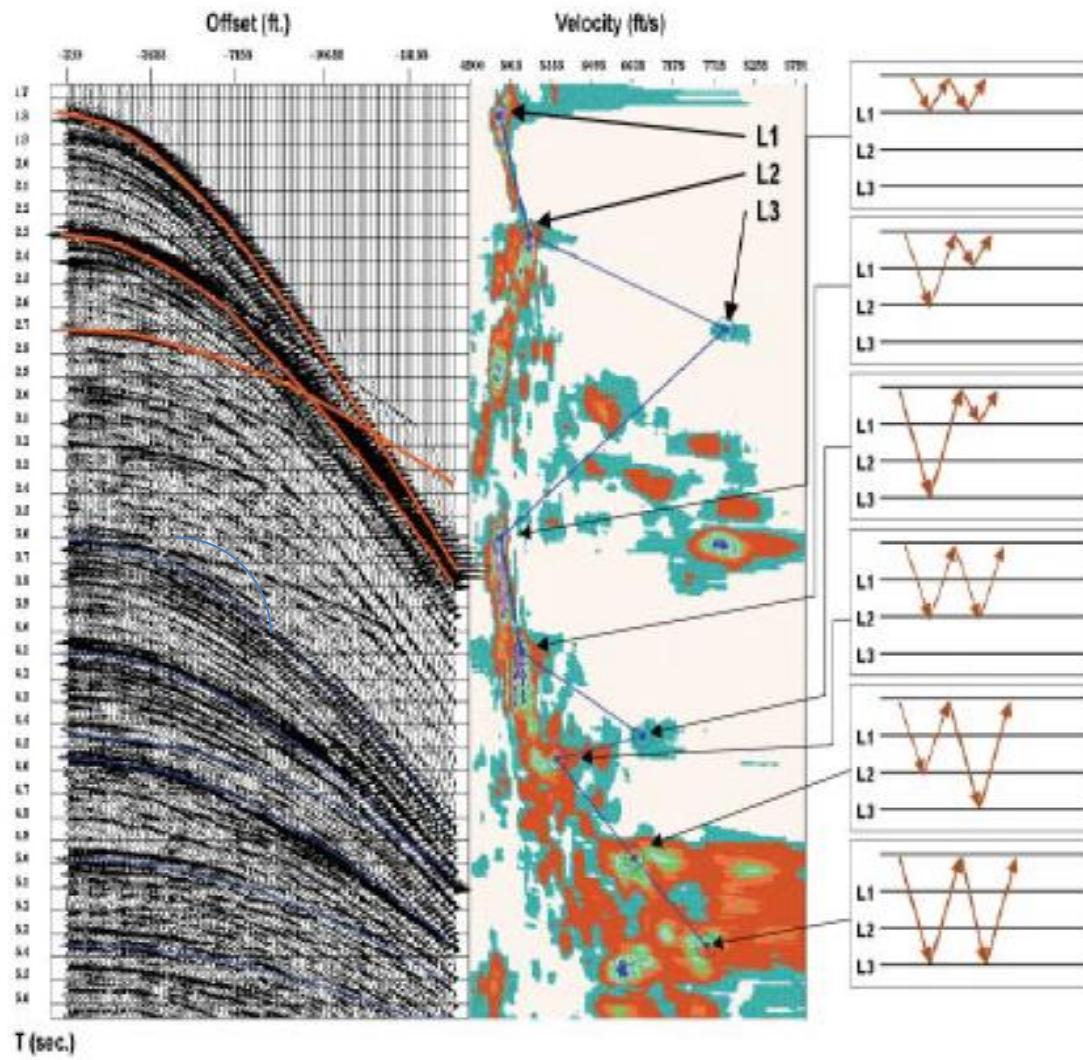
Post-stack multiple prediction. Picked horizons (L1–L3) in red, predicted multiples in blue. Multiple paths are schematically represented in the white boxes.



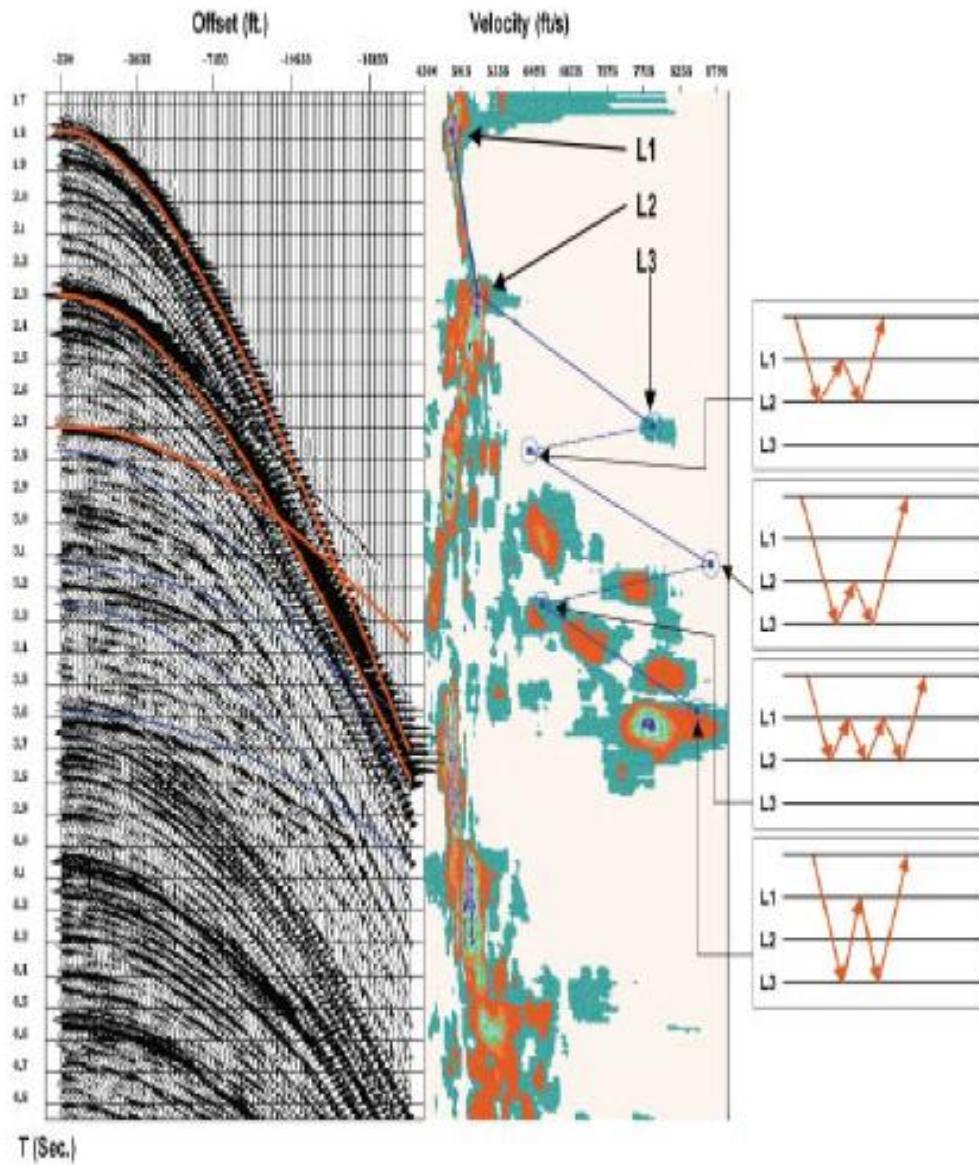
Post-stack multiple prediction. Picked time-migrated horizons L1–L3) in red, predicted (and time-migrated) multiples in blue. Multiple paths are schematically represented in the white boxes.



Interbed multiples. Picked horizons (L1–L3) in red, predicted multiples in blue. Multiple paths are schematically represented in the white boxes. The green arrow on top marks the location of the velocity analysis shown in the next slide.

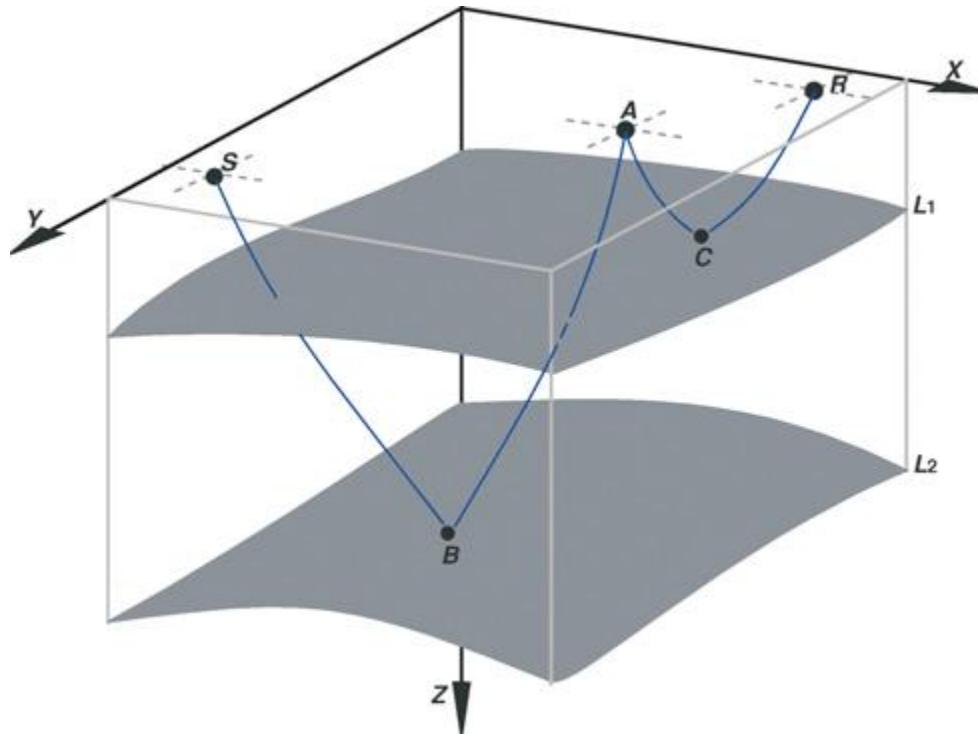


Three primaries and a few predicted surface-related multiples are shown in blue. The multiple paths are graphically represented in the white boxes on the right.

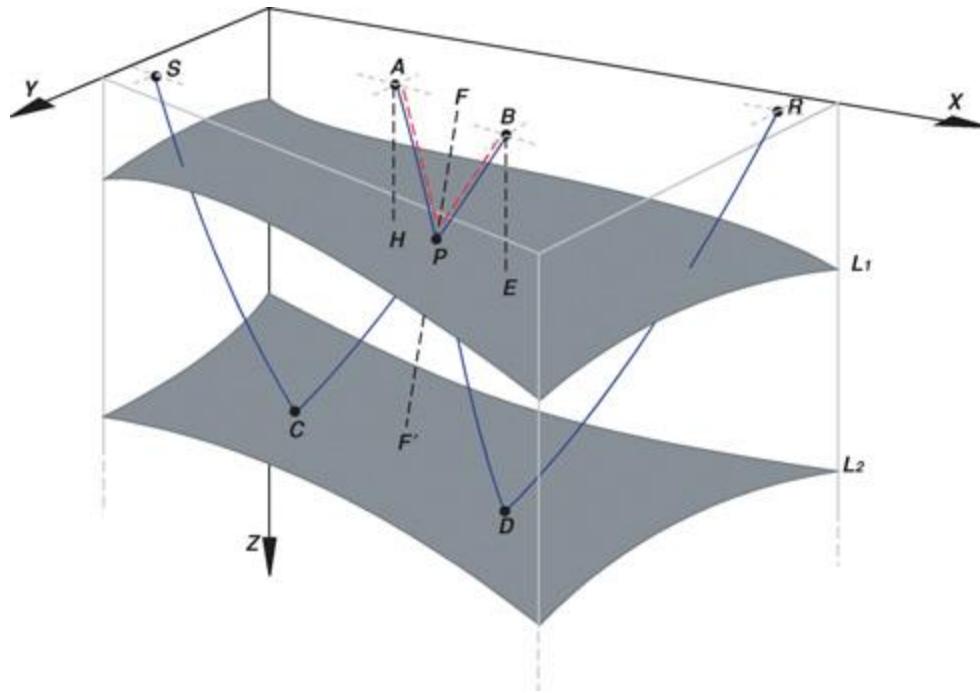


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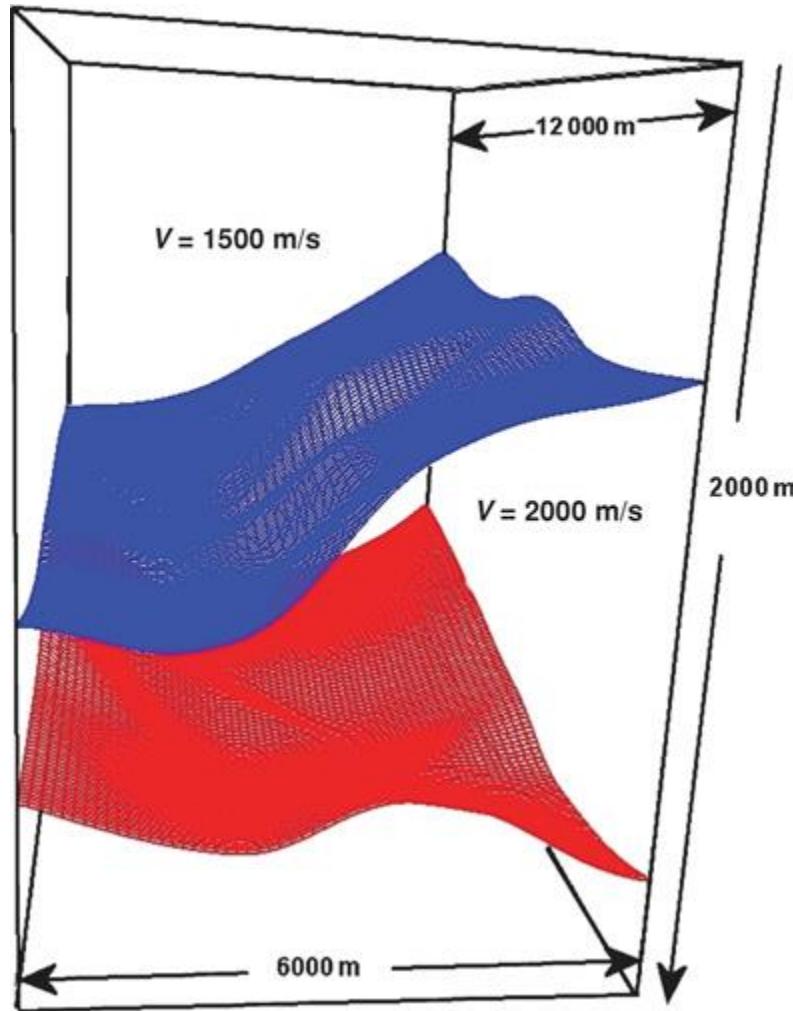
3D prediction of surface-related and interbed multiples



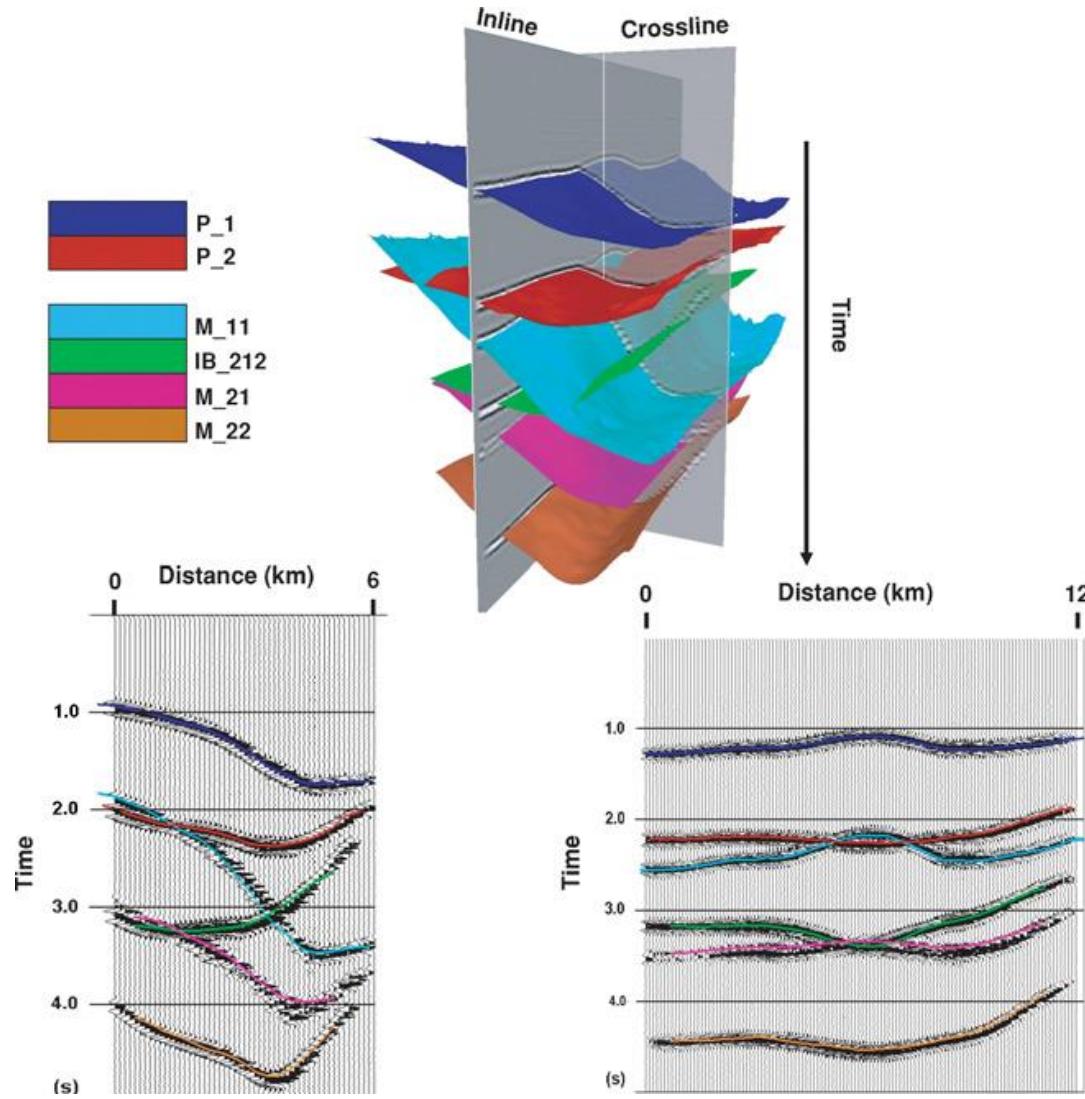
Schematic raypath of a peg-leg multiple for a given shot S and receiver R pair. The surface reflection point A does not have to lie on the line connecting S and R .



Schematic raypath of an interbed multiple for a givenshot S and receiver R pair

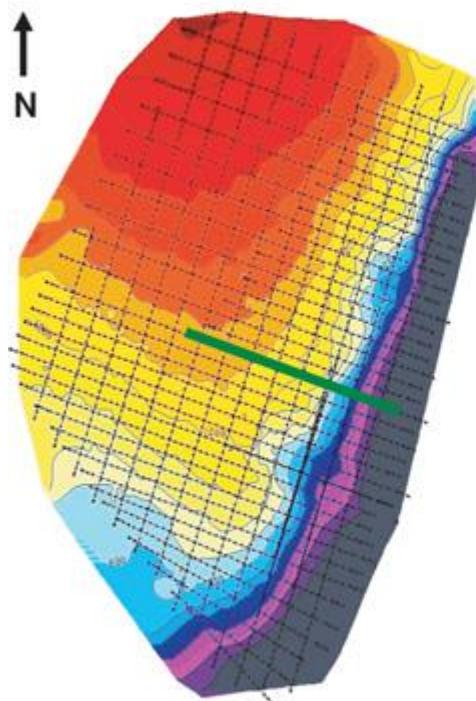


A 3D synthetic model. The horizontal size is $12 \times 6 \text{ km}$; 1500 m/s is the velocity V above the first interface, 2000 m/s is the velocity between the first and second interfaces, and 2500 m/s is the velocity in the lower half-space.

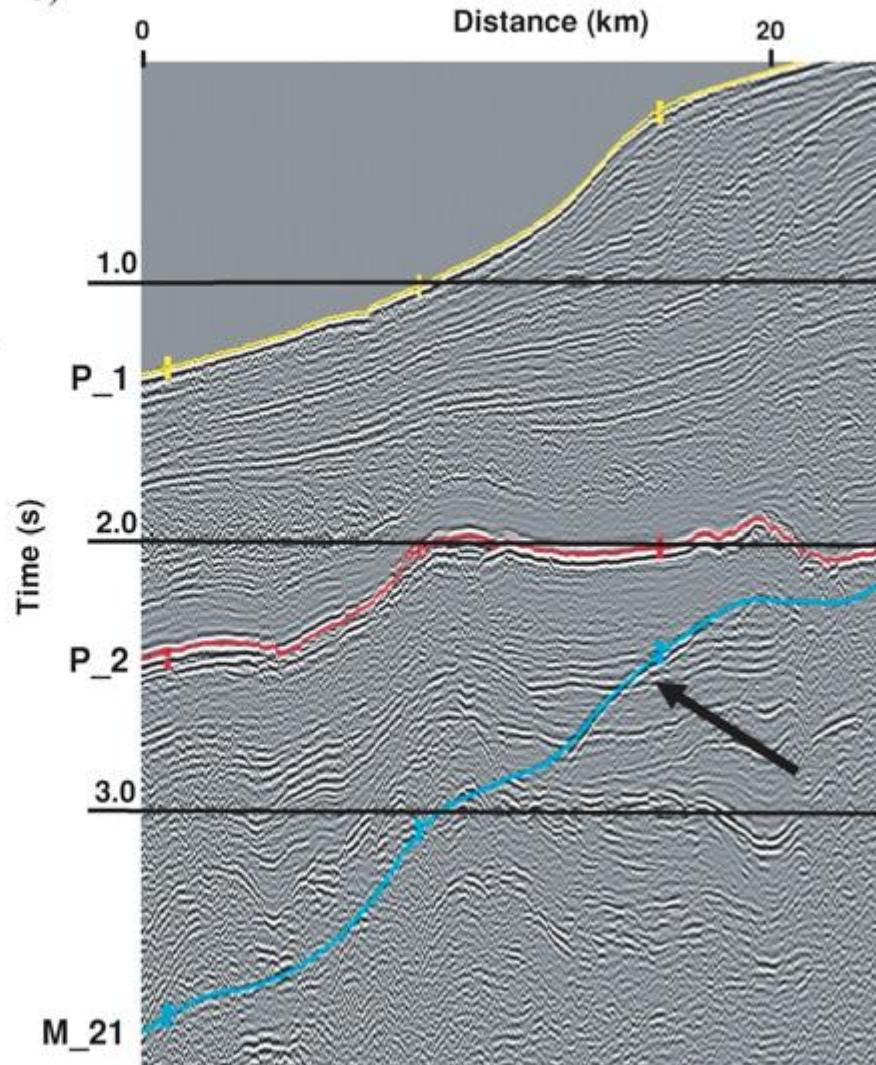


Multiple prediction, synthetic example. (Top) A 3D view of the two primaries and four predicted multiples. (Bottom) Inline and crossline displays from the central part of the cube. The picked primaries and the predicted multiples are color coded according to the table on the upper left

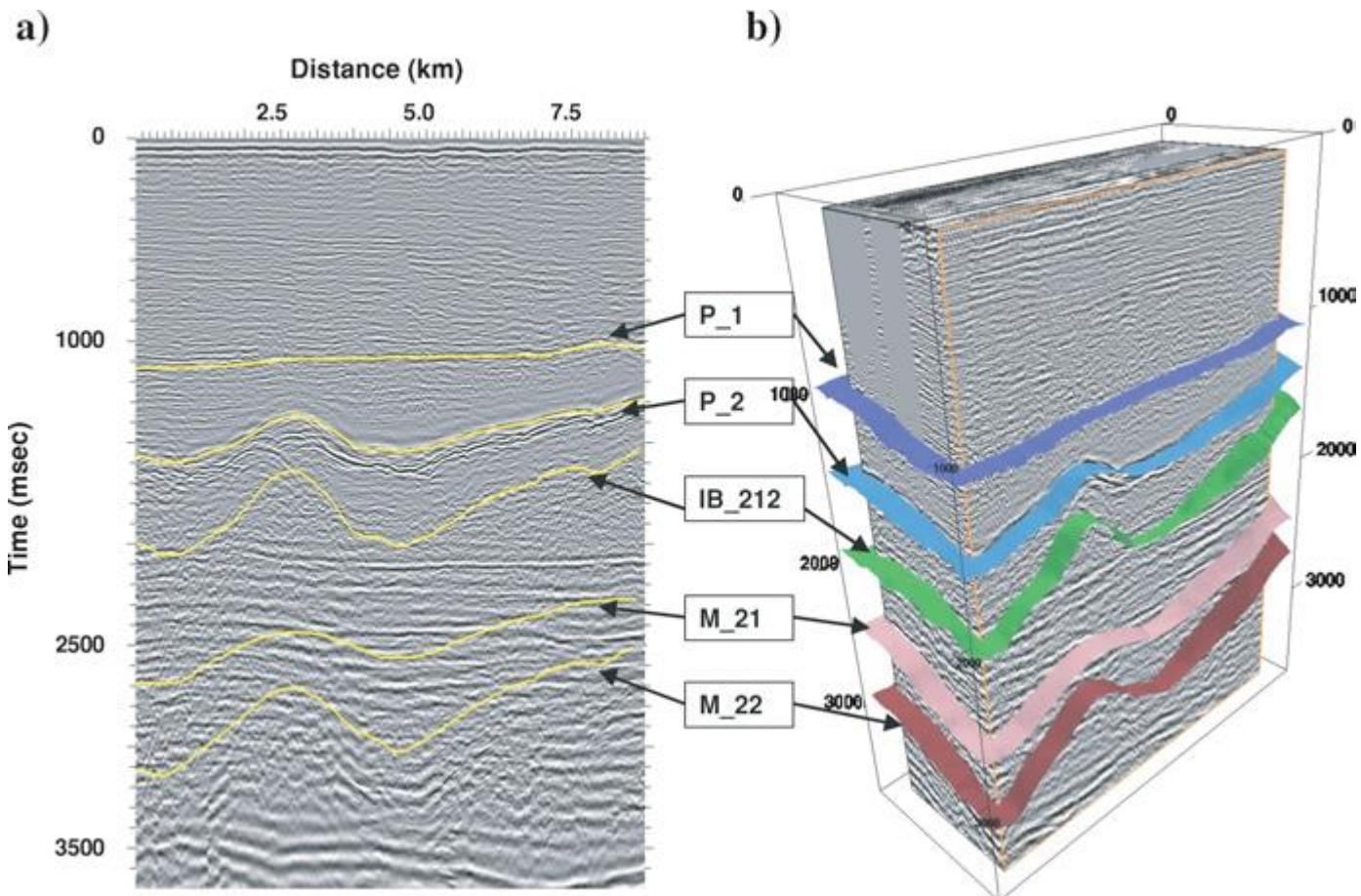
a)



b)



Three-dimensional multiple prediction from a 2D survey. (a) Survey map showing the 2D acquisition pattern overlain by a T_0 map of the first primary reflector. (b) Portion of a 2D line [location marked by the green line on (a)], showing two picked primaries ($P\ 1$ and $P\ 2$) and a predicted peg-leg ($M\ 21$). The arrow points to significant multiple energy in the section.



Marine data QC. (a) Two primaries (P_1 and P_2), two surface-related multiples (M_{21} and M_{22}), and an interbed multiple (IB_{212}) are shown on top of a central inline taken from a stacked cube (b). No coherent events exist along the predicted multiples' horizons.