

# Curvelet / Surfacelet comparison

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# Outline

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- Properties
- Construction
- Decomposition / Reconstruction example
- Relative decay rates
- Fourier / Space domain comparison

# Properties

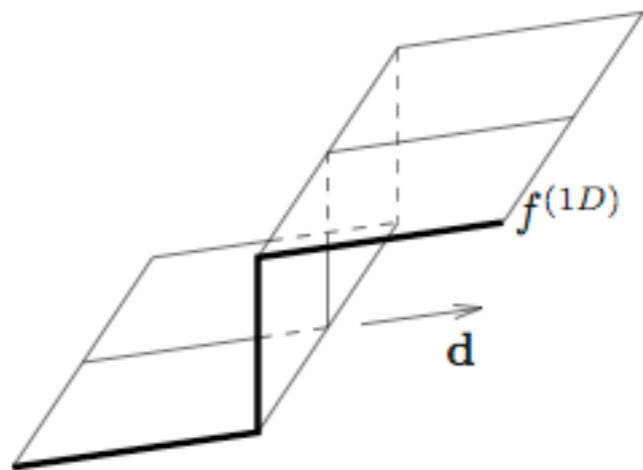
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- Multidimensional signal decomposition ( $N \geq 2$ )
- decomposition into different scales and directions
- Refinement of angular resolution
- Tree-structured filter bank
- “Same” frequency partitioning as Curvelets
- Perfect reconstruction

# Motivation

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- Ideal surface discontinuities and curved wavefronts
- locally plane waves
  - A 3-D constant function with a plane discontinuity



- **d**: normal direction to the surface
- Plane:  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}^N \quad t \cdot d = 0\}$
- $f^{(1D)}$ : a 1-dimensional step function
- Ideal plane discontinuity:

$$y(t) = f^{(1D)}(t \cdot d)$$

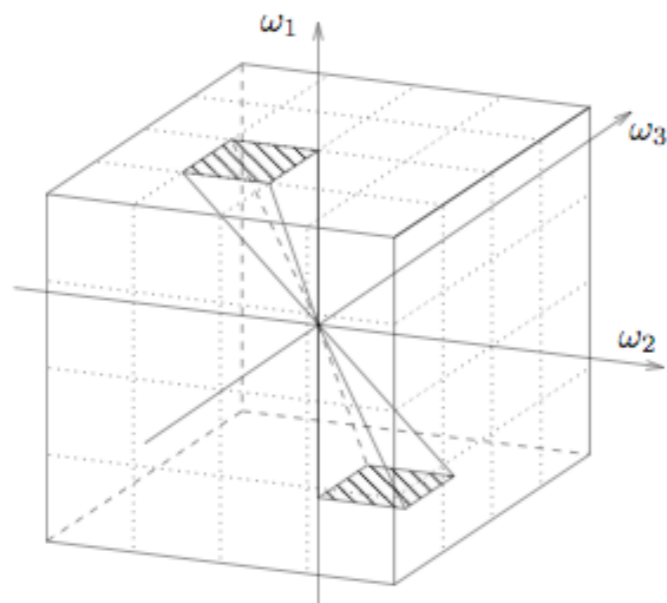
# Motivation

- Frequency domain support

- Fourier spectrum of plane waves concentrates on radial lines

$$y(t) = t^{(1D)}(t \cdot d) \xrightarrow{\text{FT}} \text{supp } \hat{y}(\omega) = \{cd : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

- Ideal frequency partitioning to analyze plane waves



- Rectangular-based pyramids tiling the entire frequency spectrum
- Different frequency bands will capture different plane waves (or singularities) with different orientations

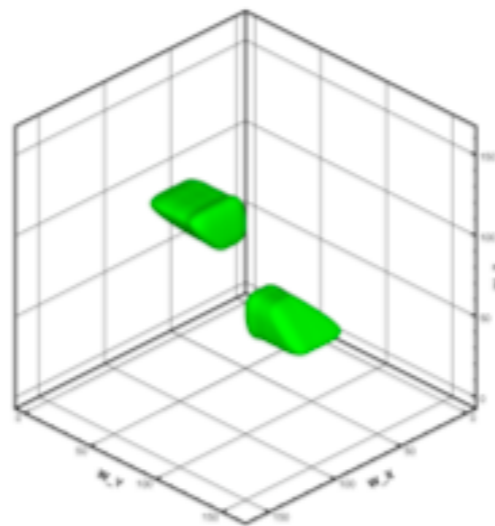
# Motivation

## □ Resulting goal:

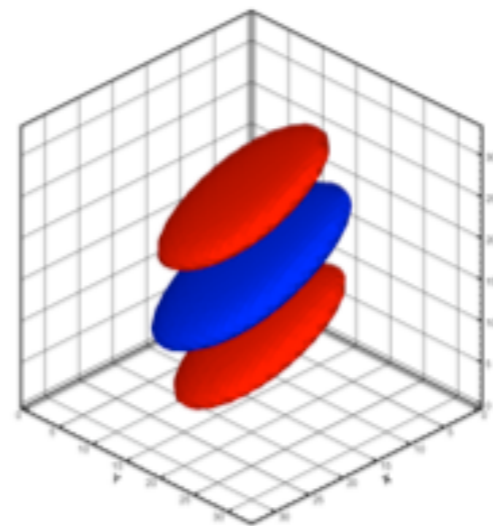
- A tight frame expansion for functions  $f(n)$  in  $l^2(\mathbb{Z}^N)$

$$f(n) = \sum_{k,m,j} \langle f, s_{k,m}^j \rangle s_{k,m}^j(n)$$

- Constructed from a set of basis functions  $\{P_k^{(j)}(n)\}$



frequency



space

# Construction

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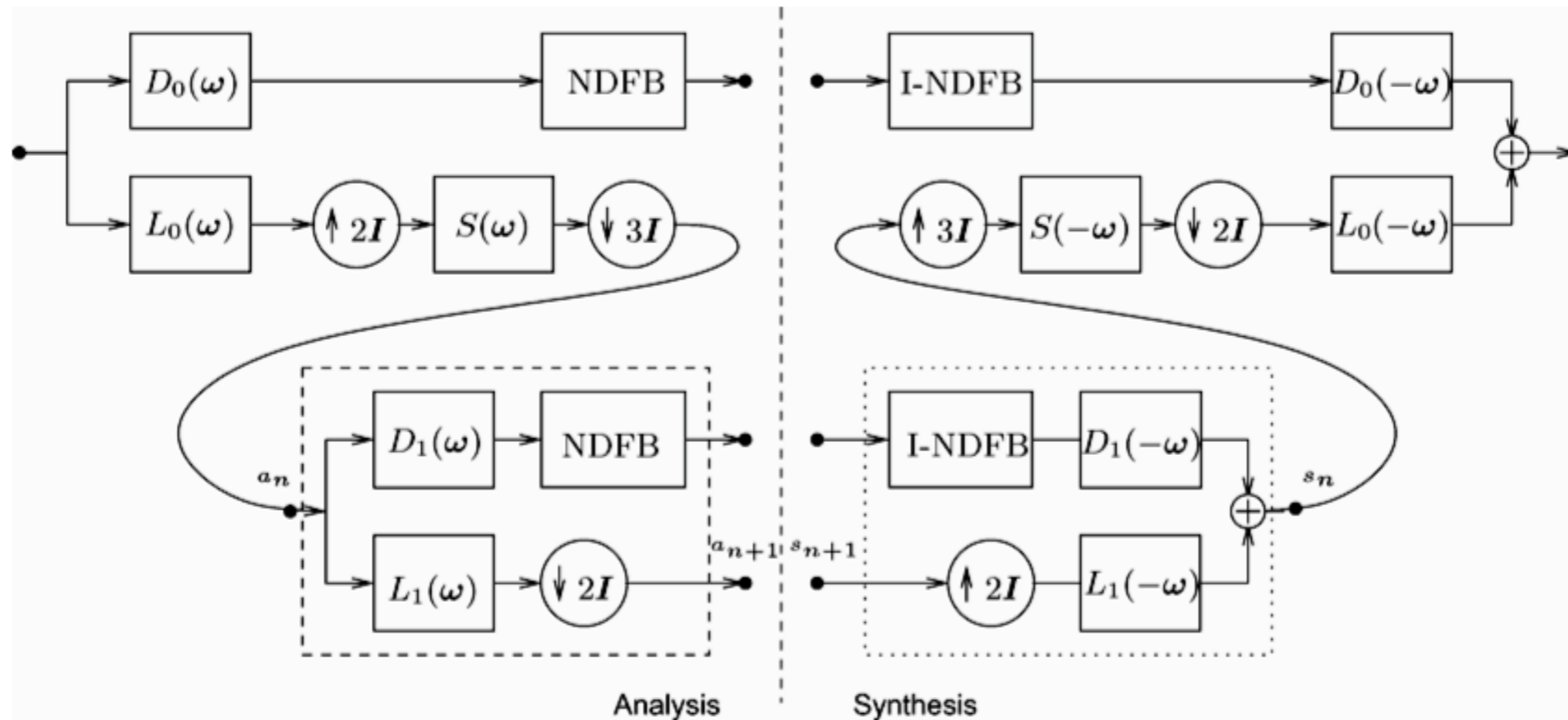
## Curvelets

- Define “mother” curvelet
  - Tile frequency space
- Obtain curvelet coefficients
  - Fourier samples  $\times$  curvelet window functions
- Spacial downsampling
  - **alias-free**
    - band limited
    - tradeoff in redundancy - spacial localization
      - strictly localized to one angular wedge

## Surfacelets

- **aliasing allowed to exist**
  - canceled by carefully designed filters
  - redundancy factor
  - fast spacial decay
    - filters not strictly bandlimited

# Construction



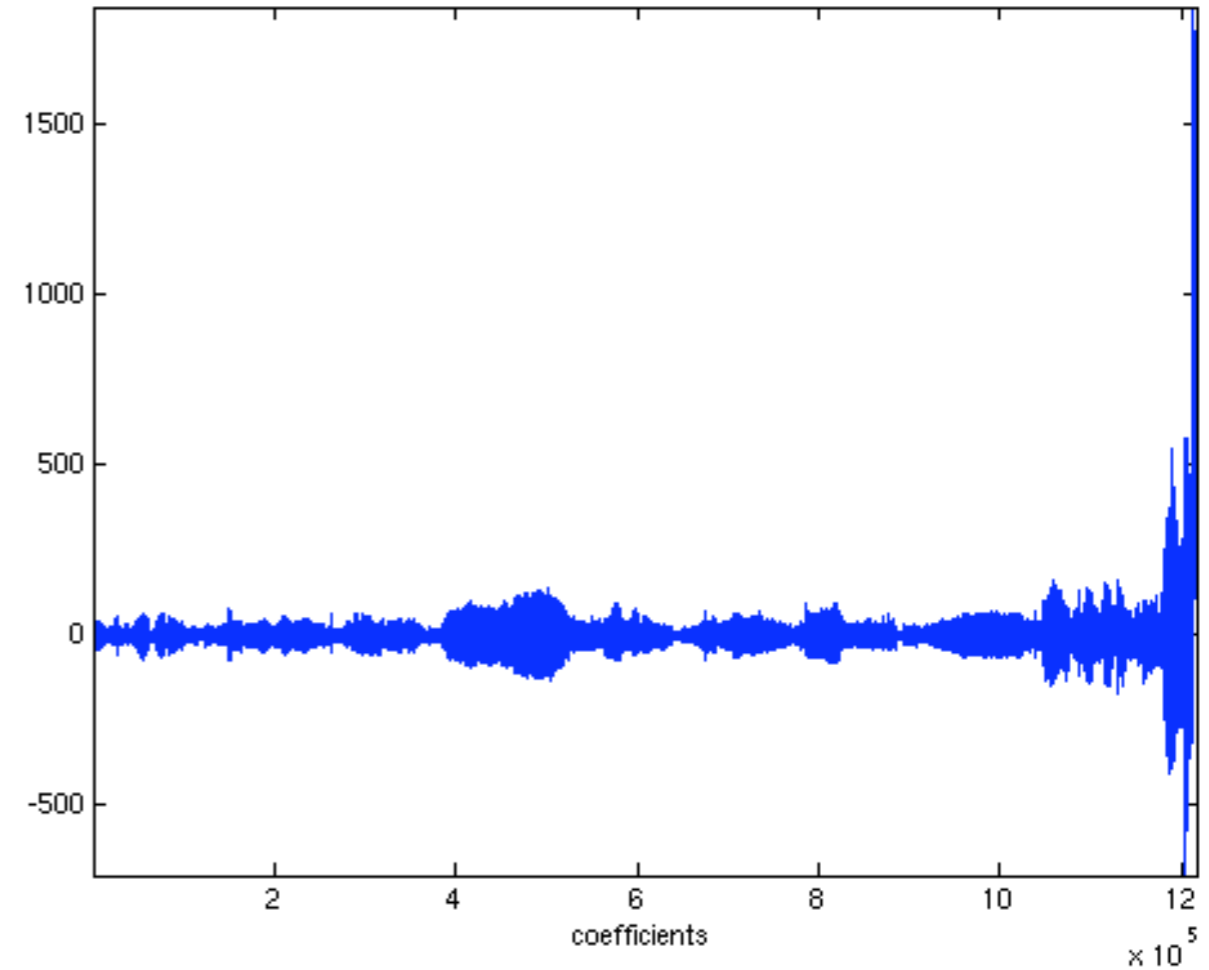


# Surfacelet Decomposition/ Reconstruction

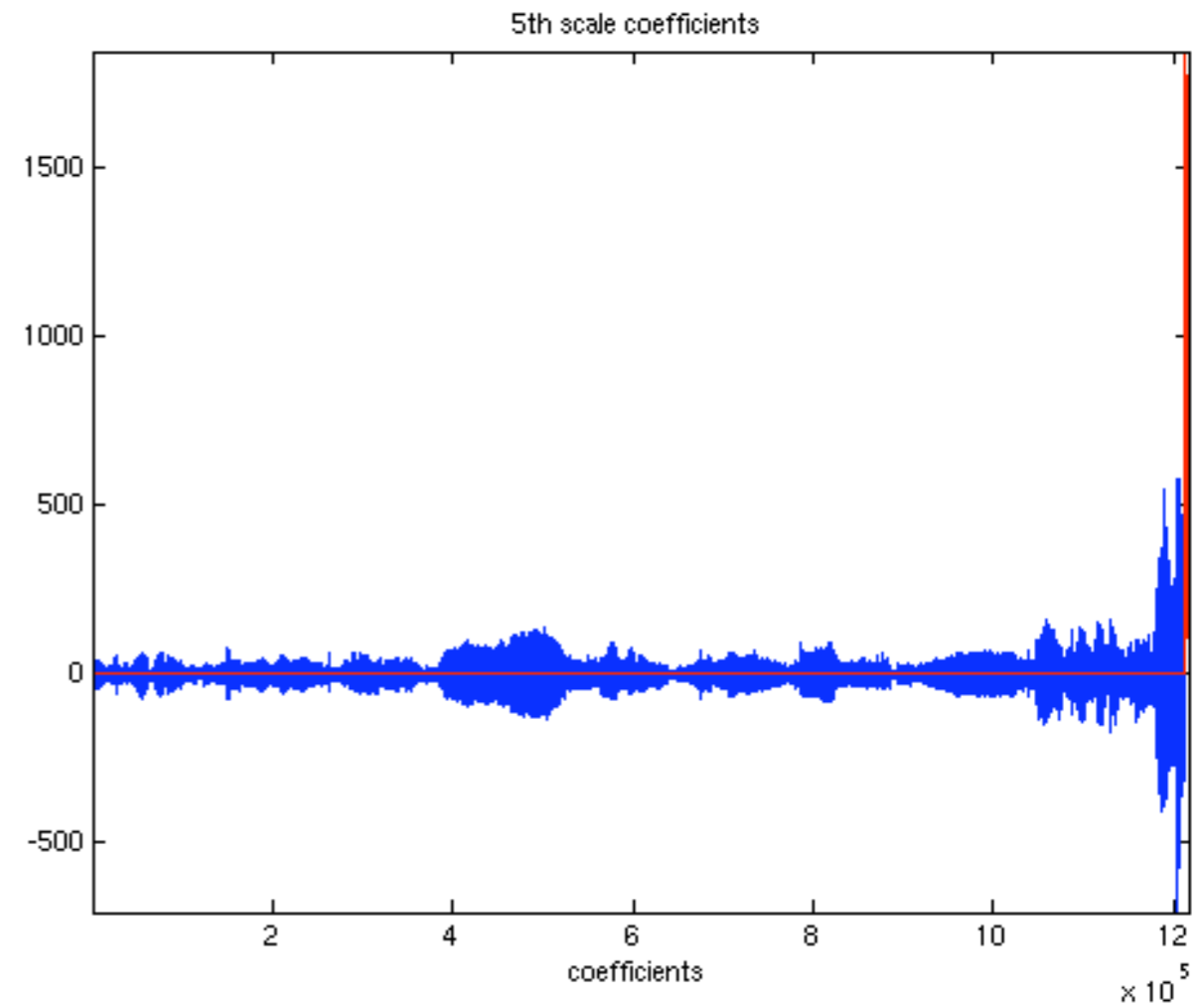
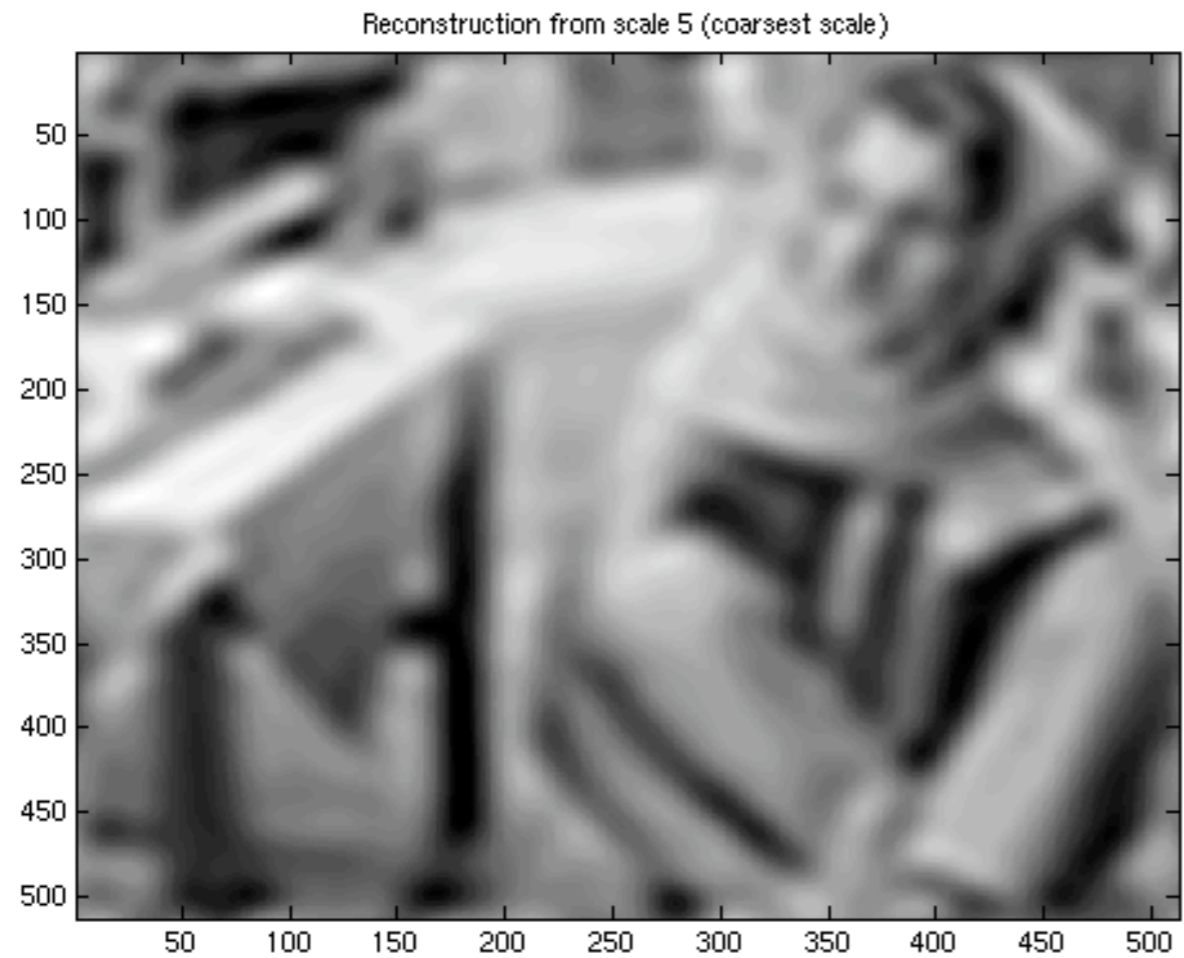
Input image



Surfacelet Coefficients

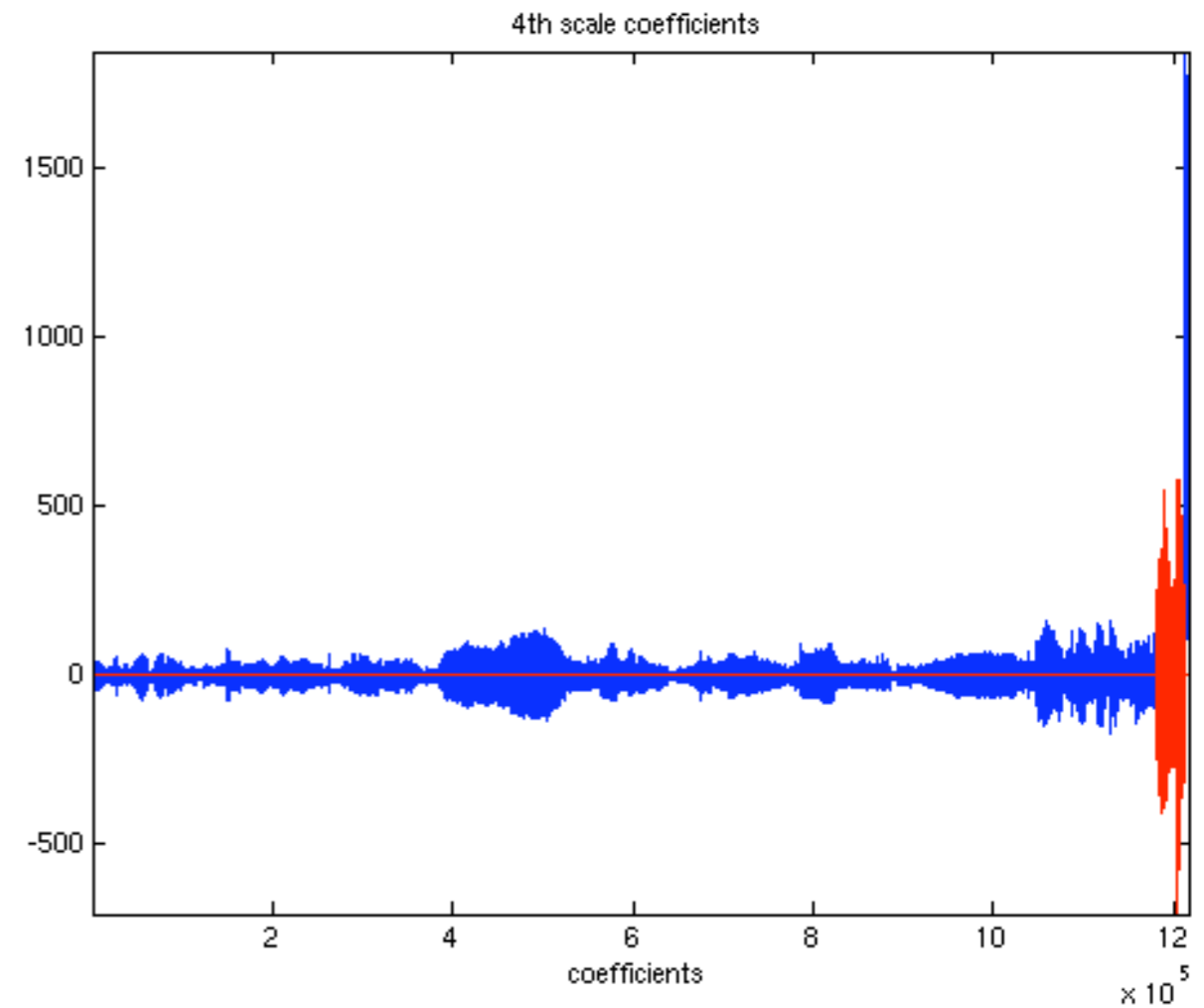
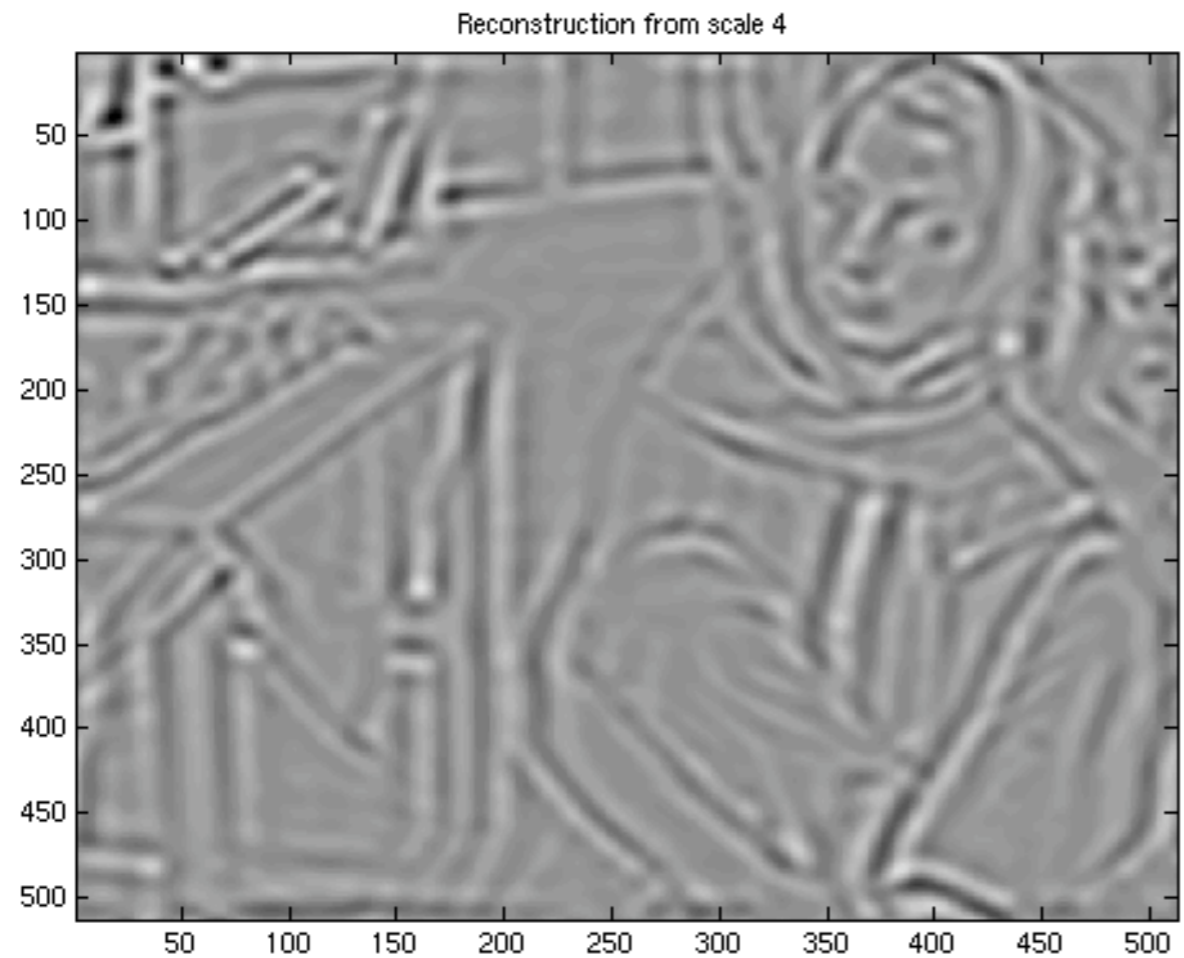


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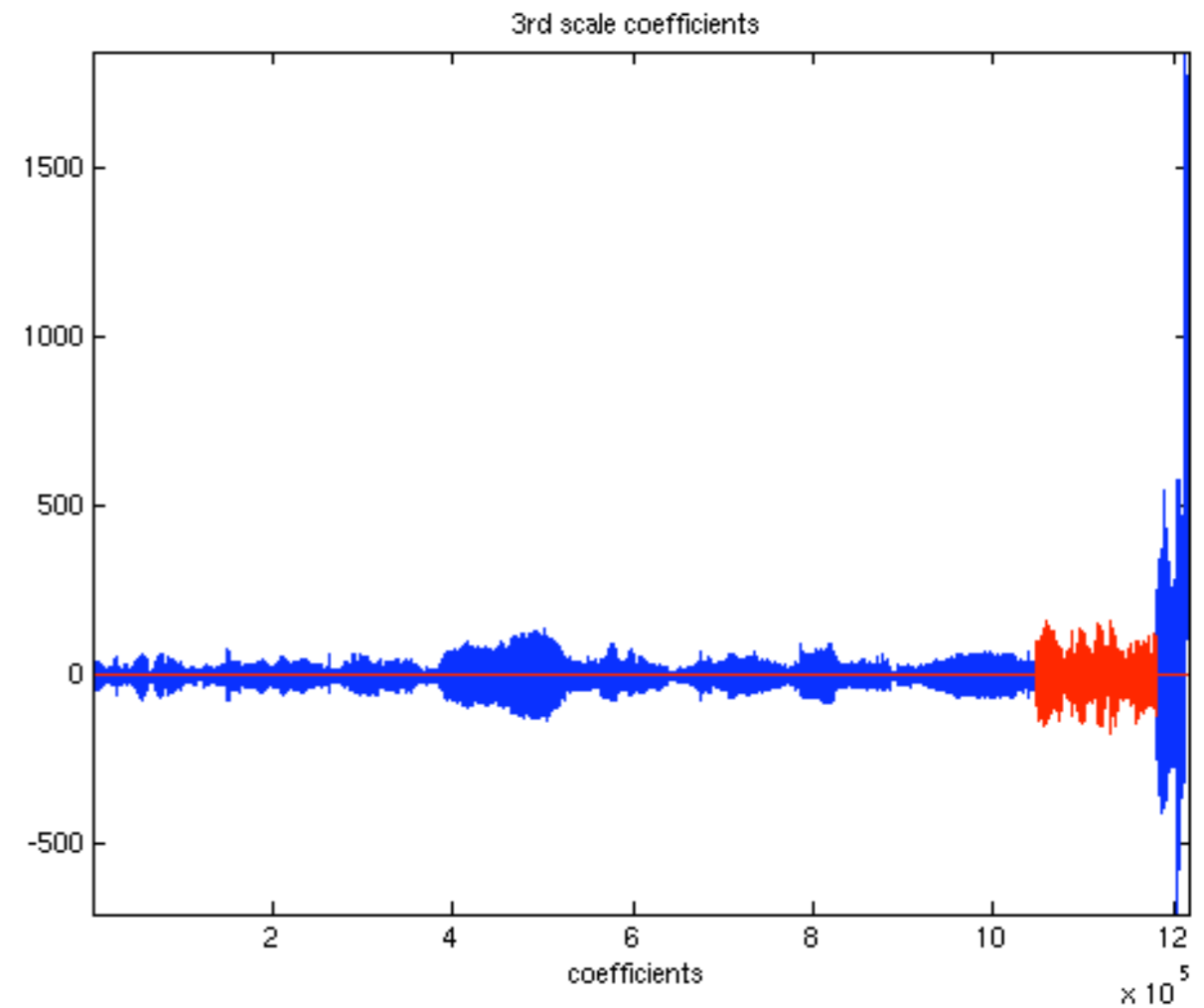
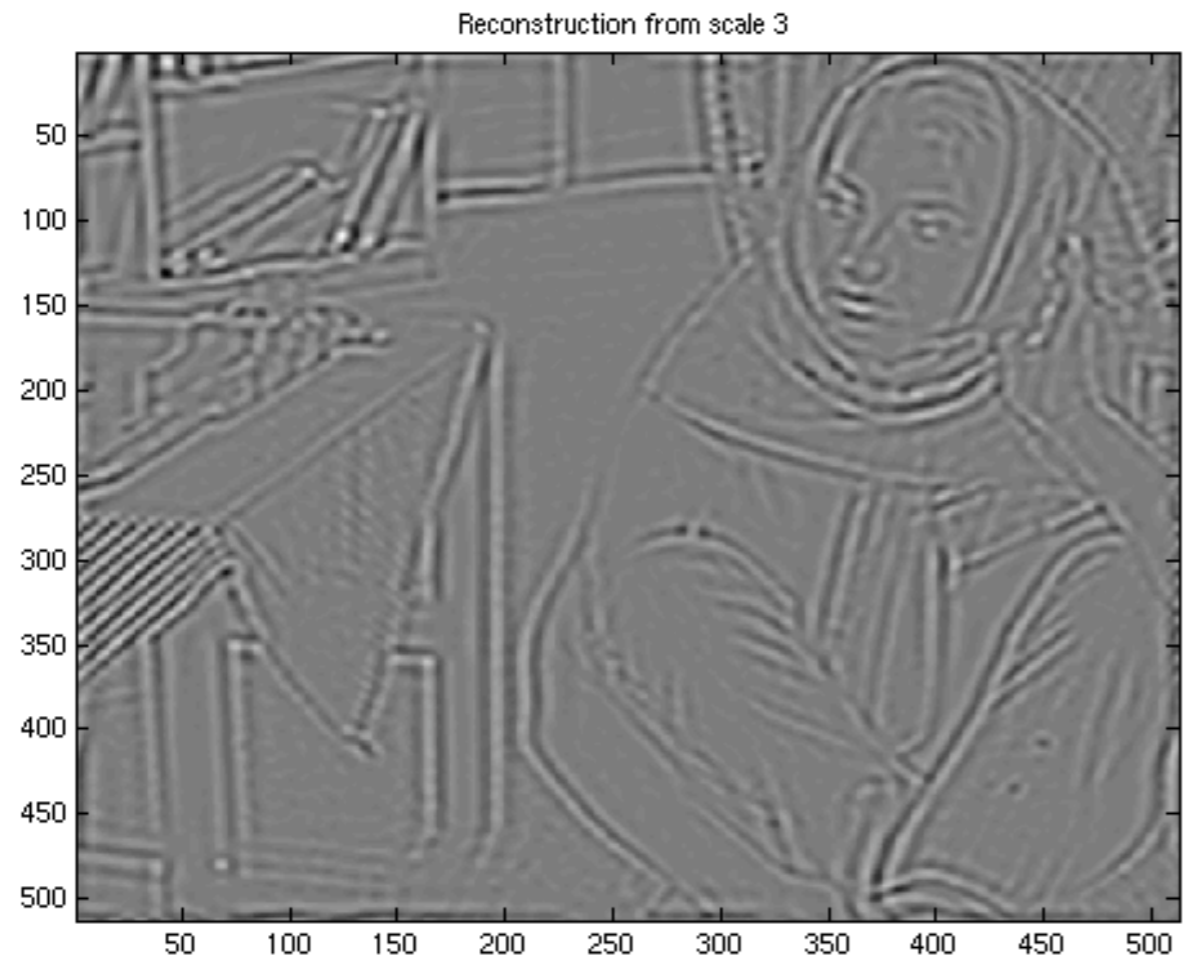
reconstruction from scale 5

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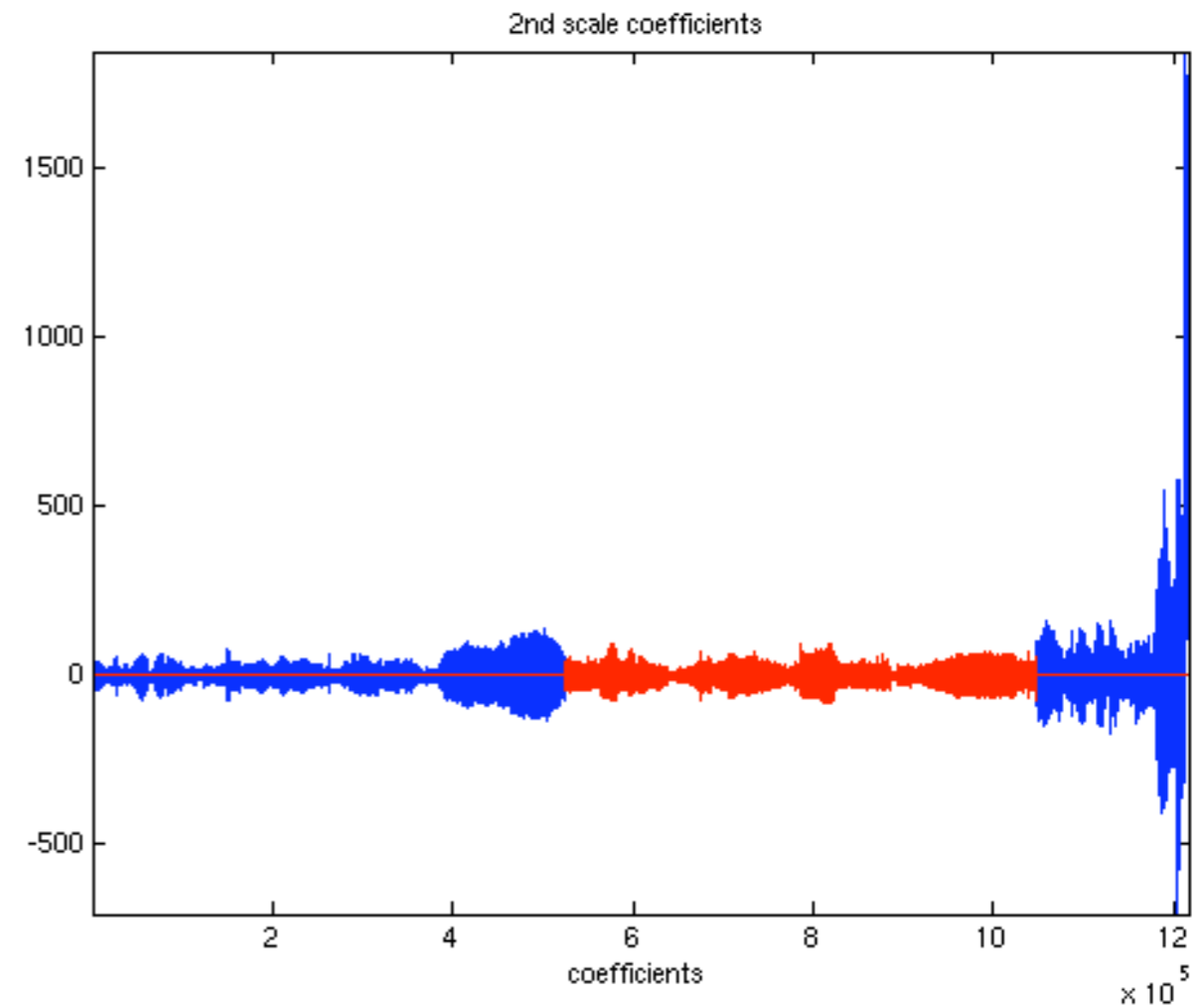
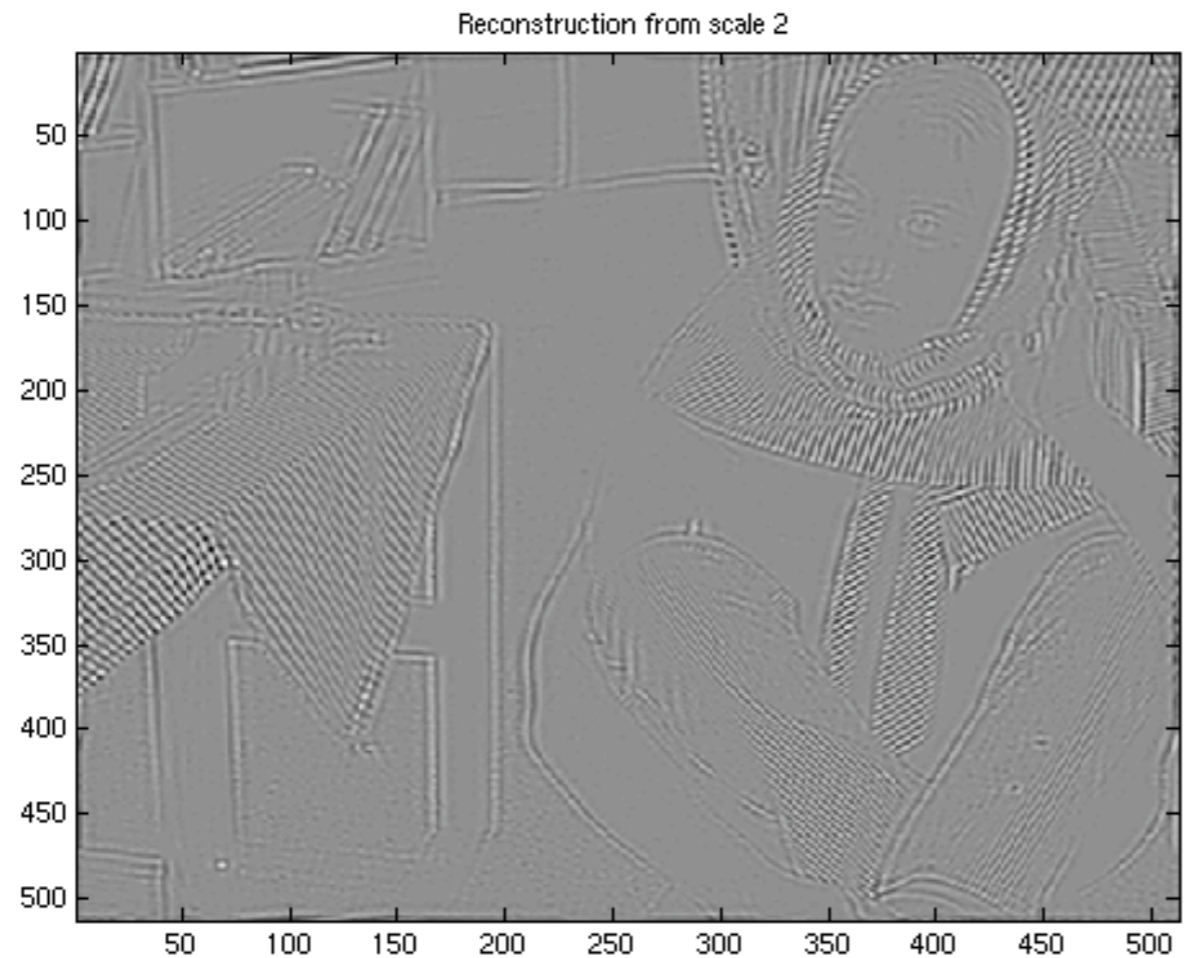
reconstruction from scale 4

# Surfacelet Decomposition/ Reconstruction



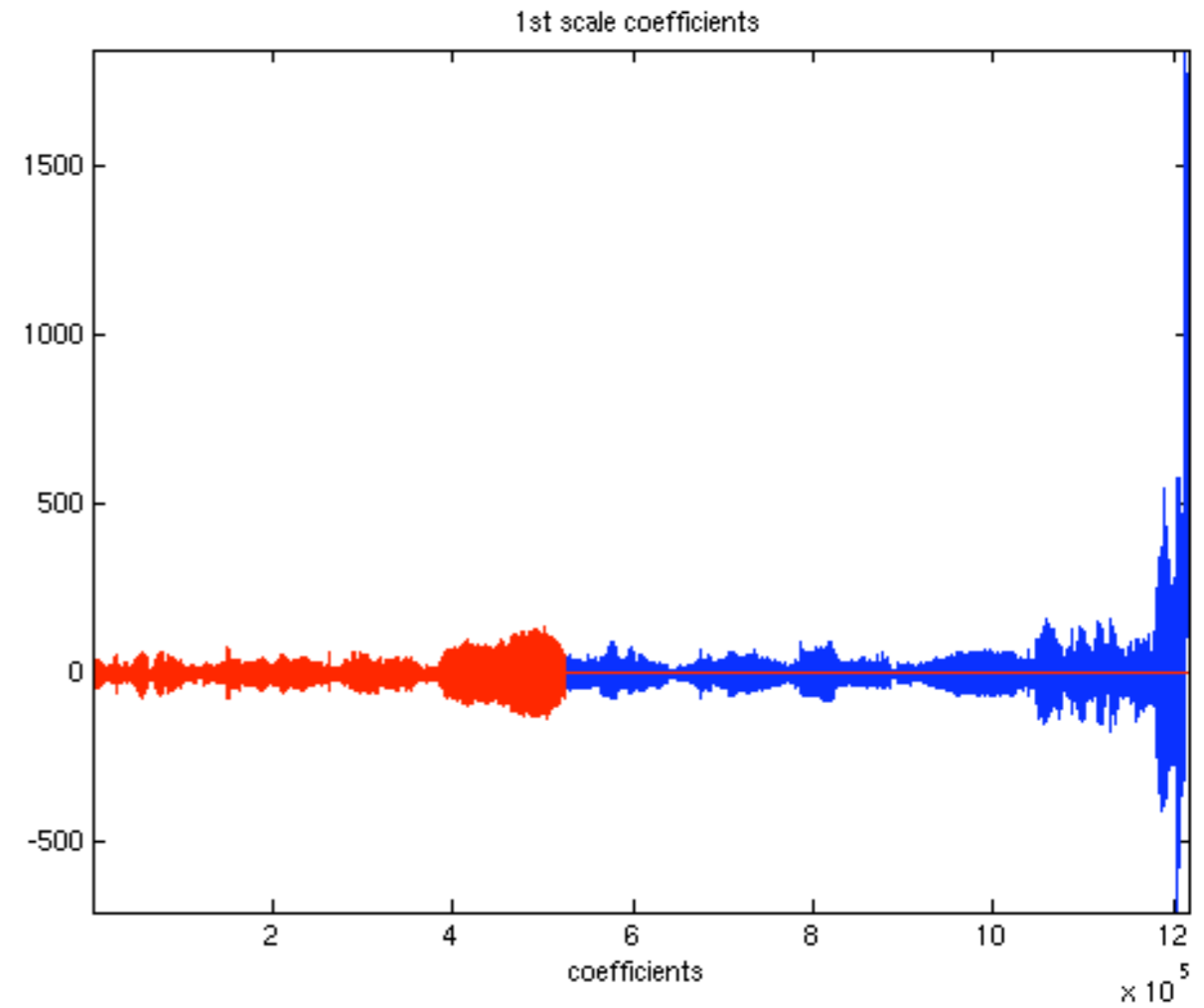
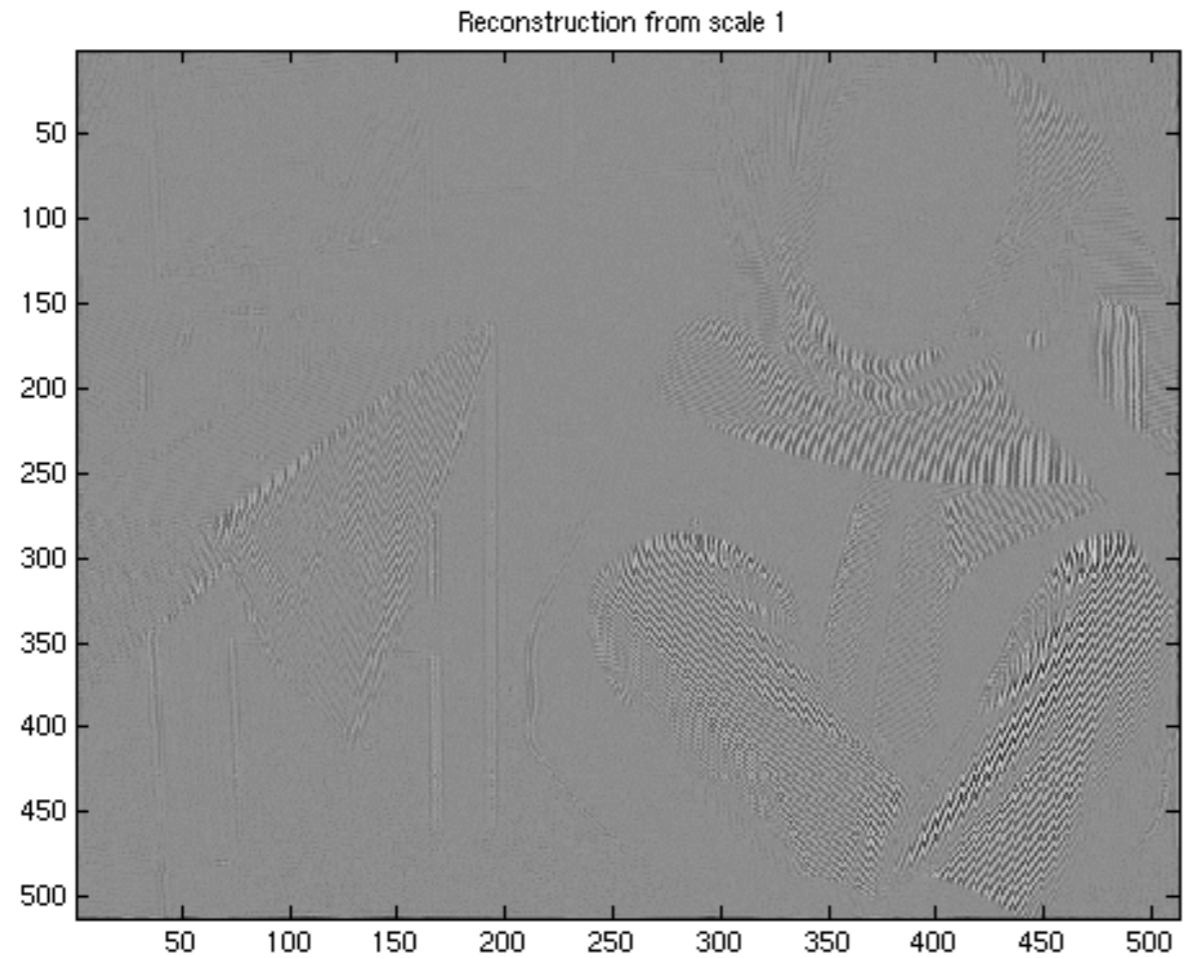
reconstruction from scale 3

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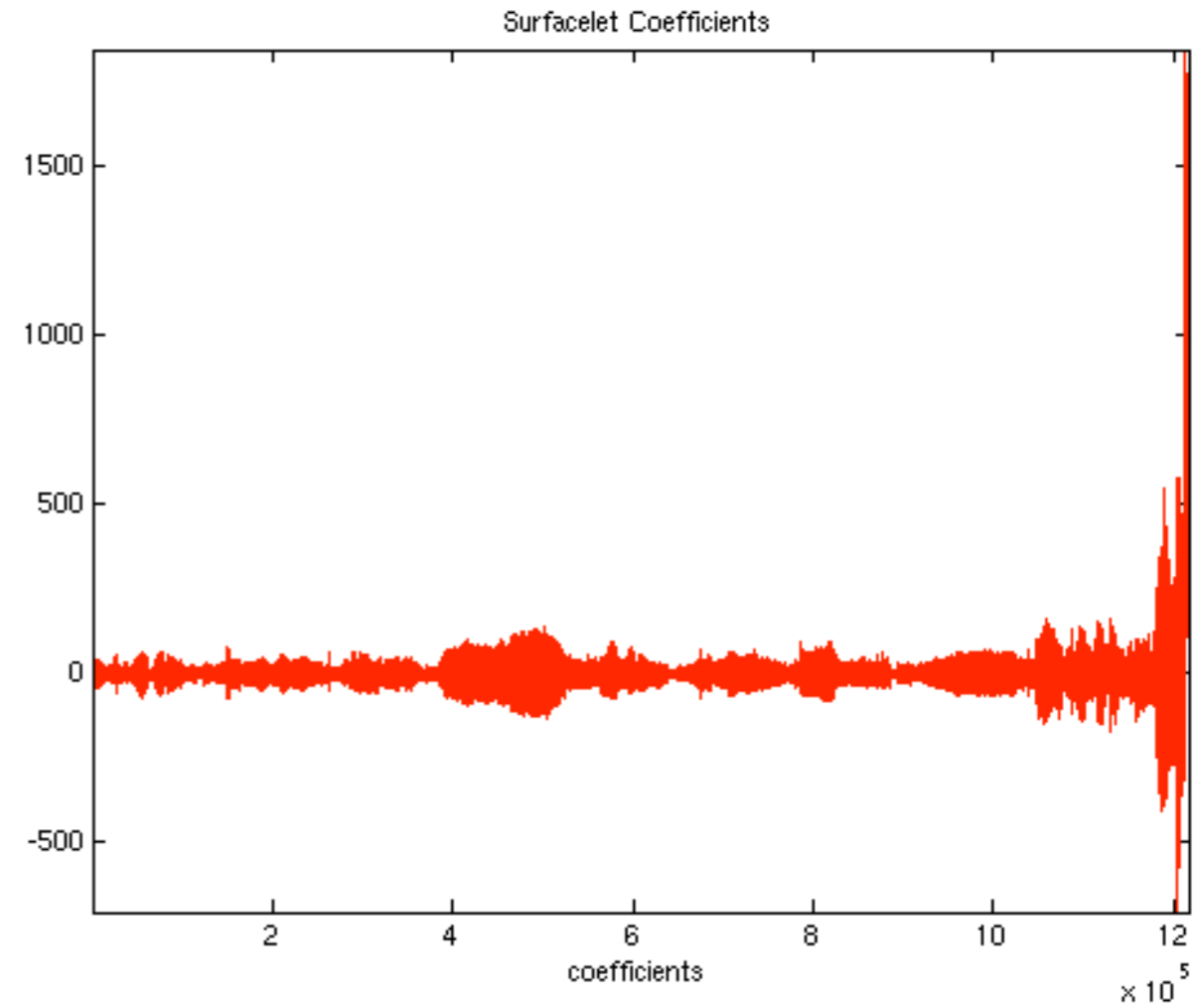
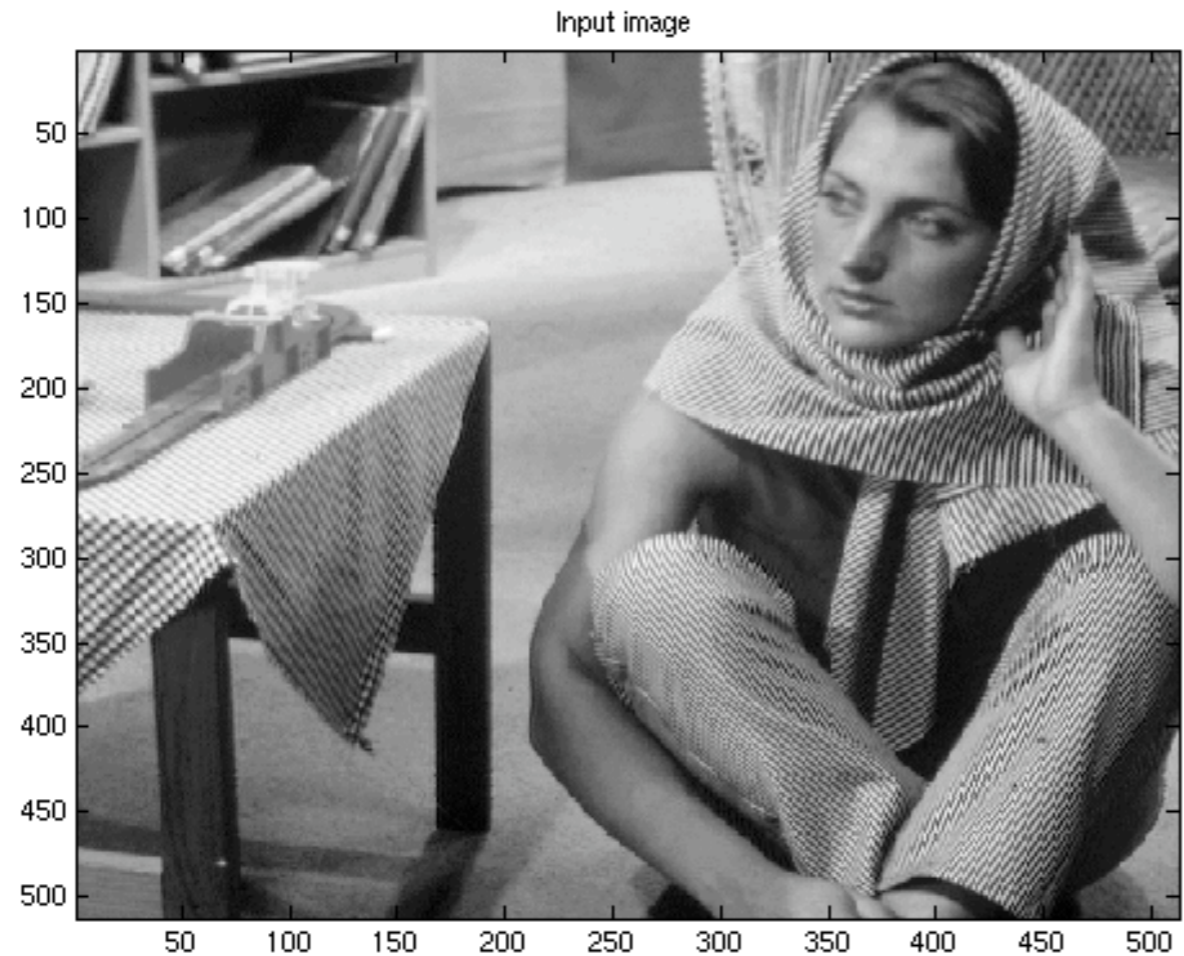
reconstruction from scale 2

# Surfacelet Decomposition/ Reconstruction



reconstruction from scale 1

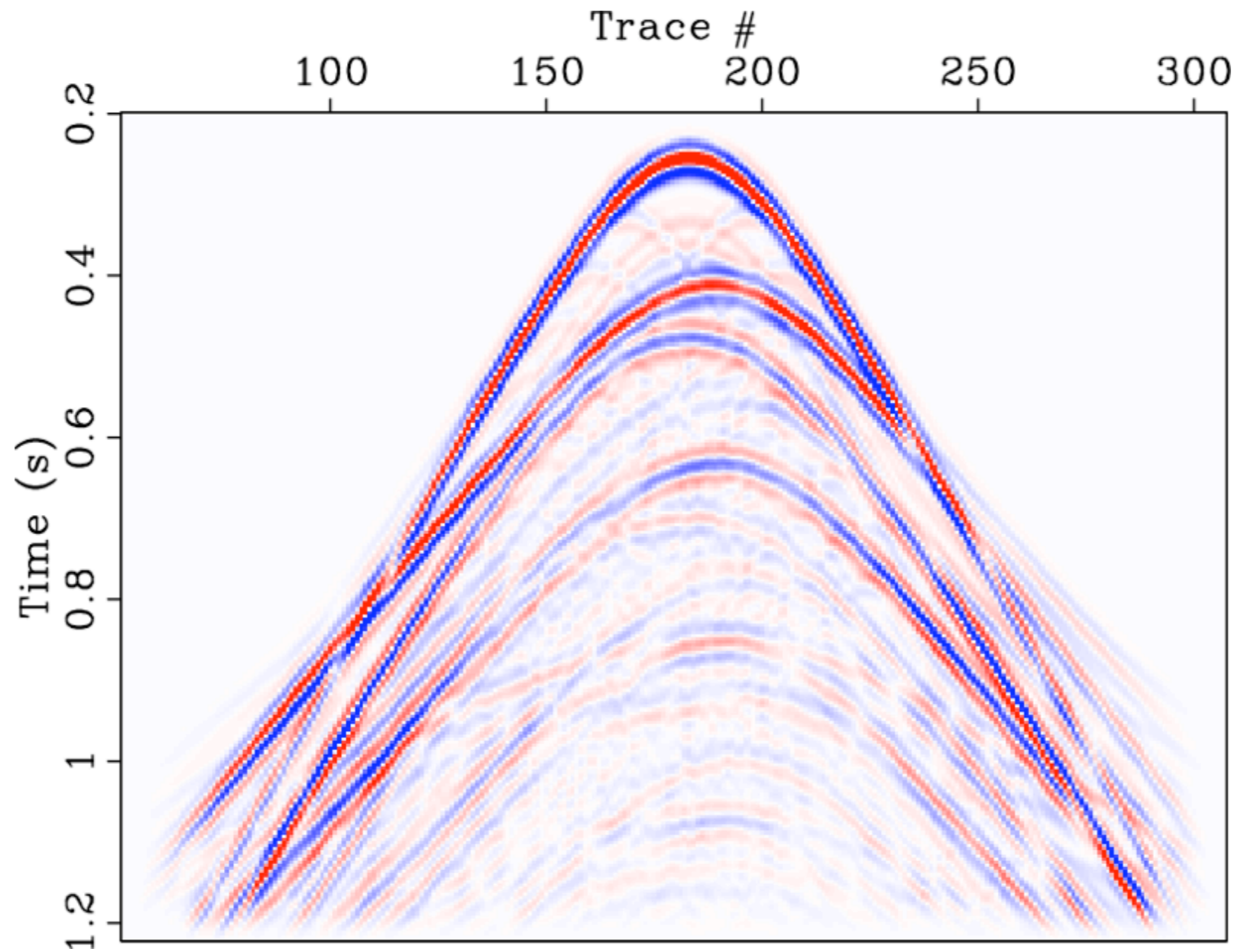
# Surfacelet Decomposition/ Reconstruction



all coefficients = perfect reconstruction

# Relative Decay Rates

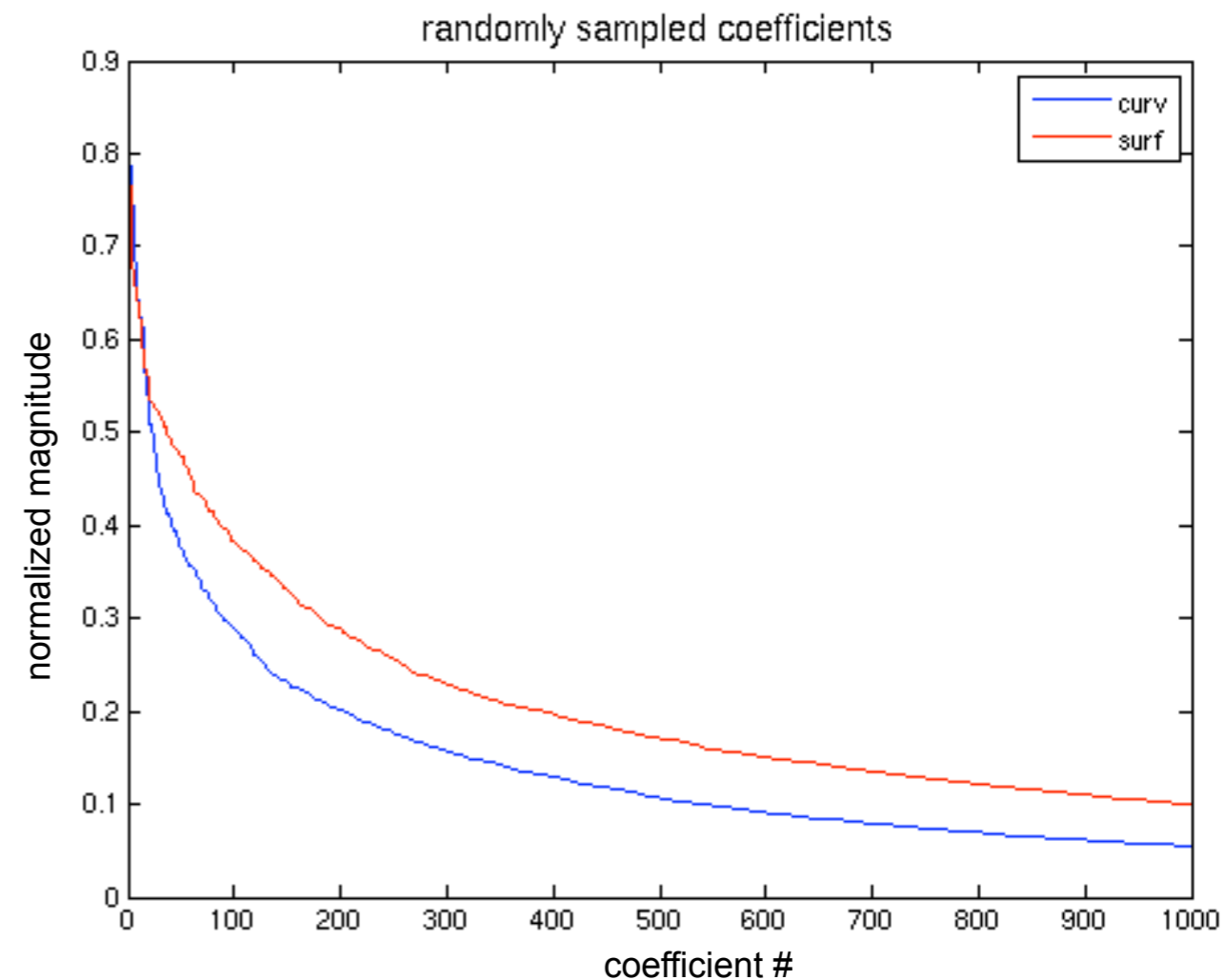
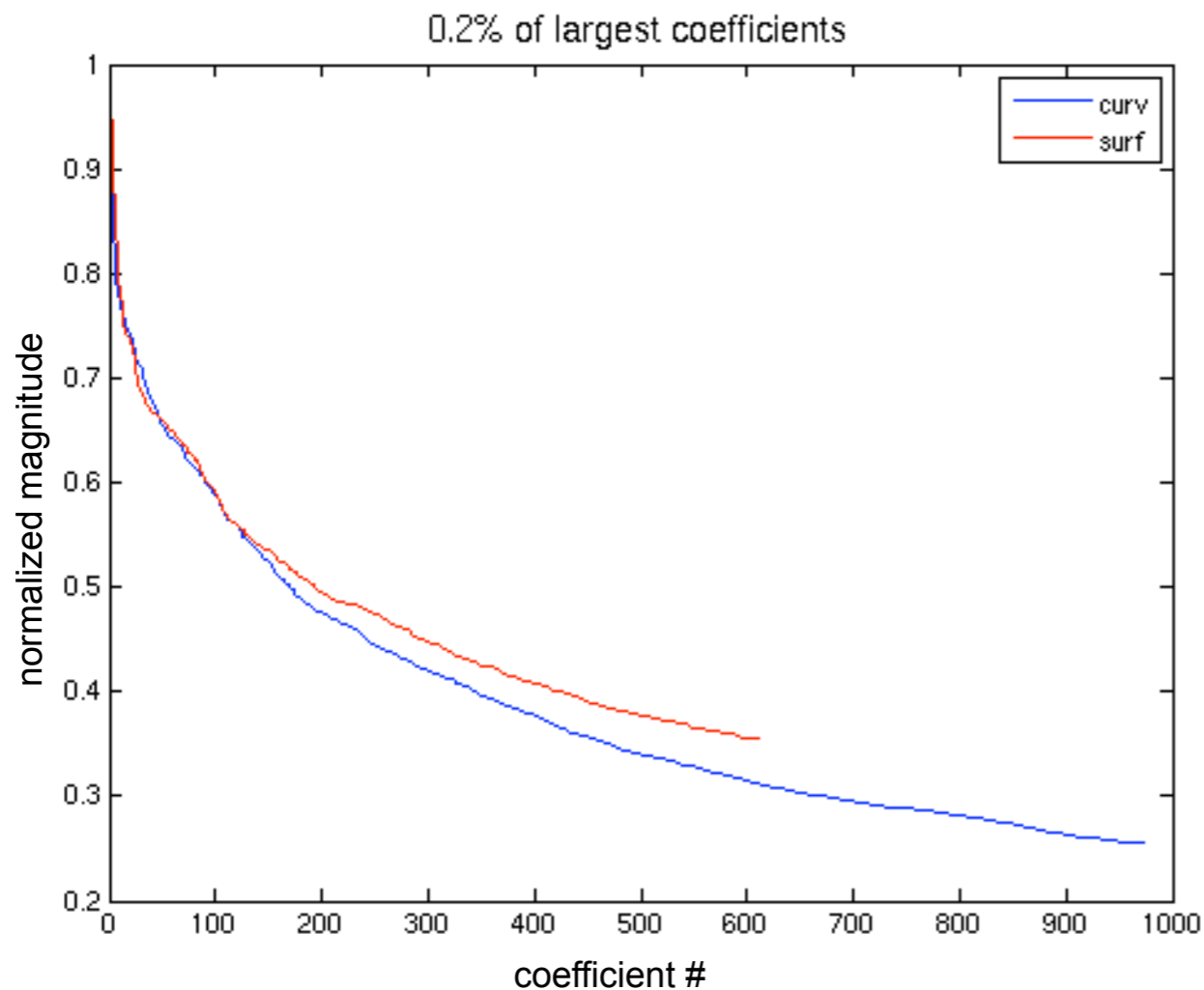
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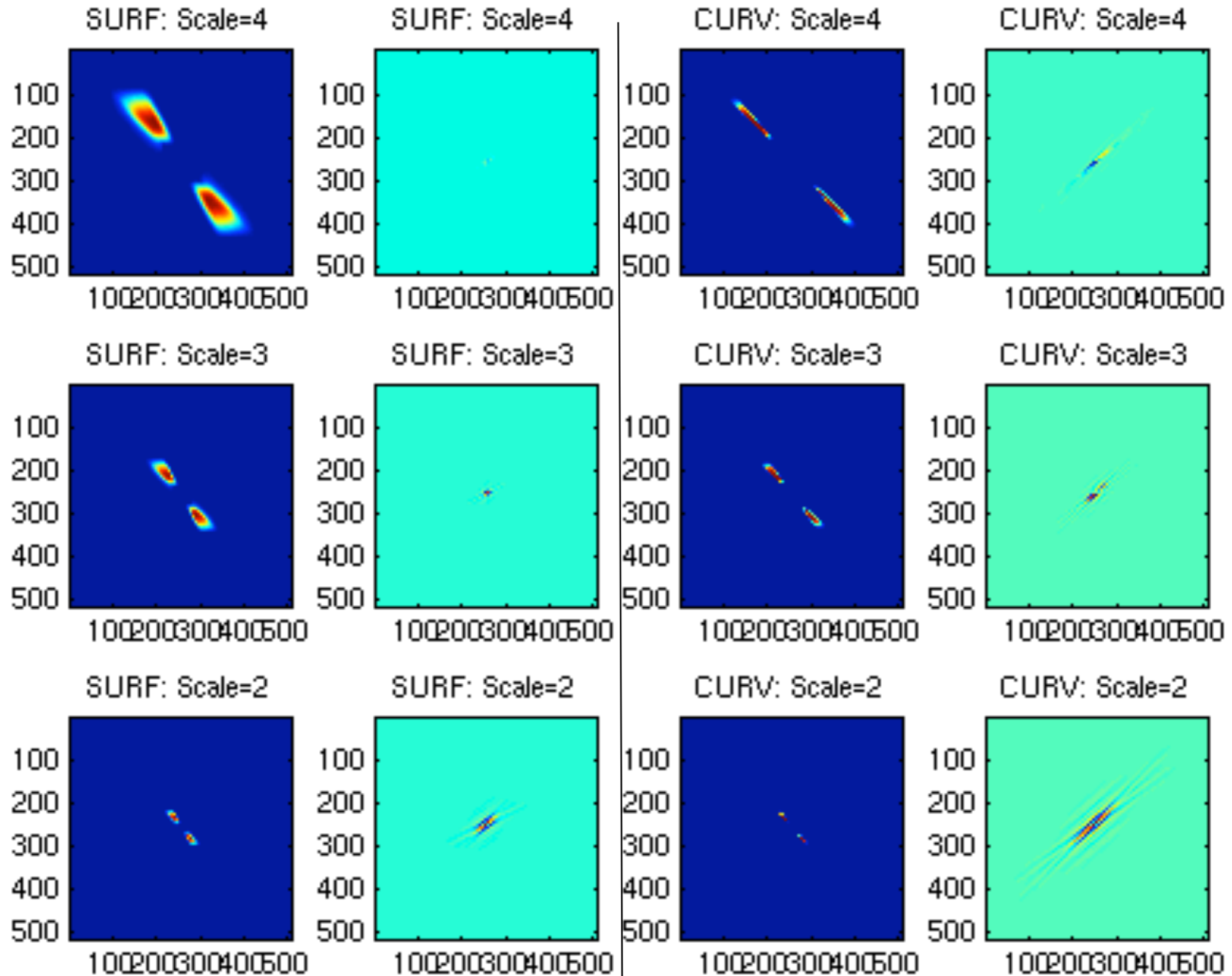


# Relative Decay Rates

## Seismic data example



# Fourier/Space domain comparison



Surfacelets

Curvelets

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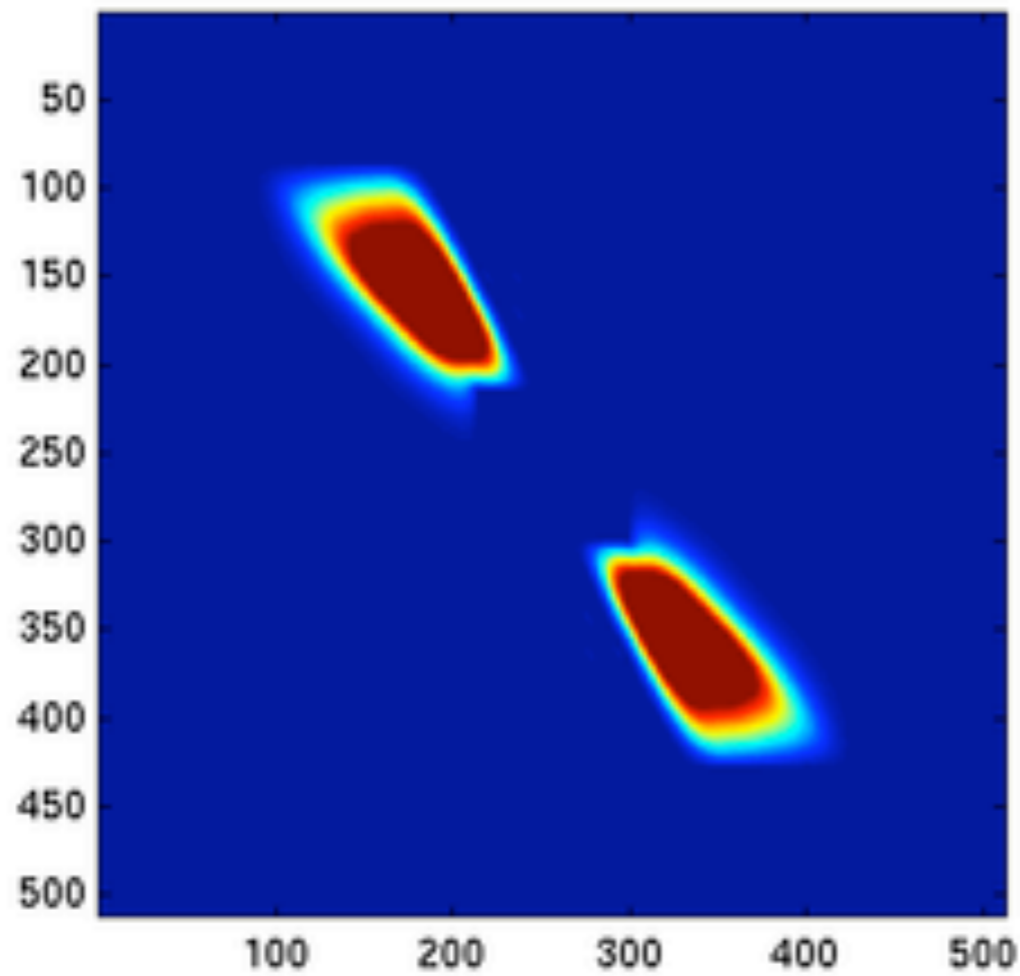
- Fourier domain, a closer look...

Surfacelet

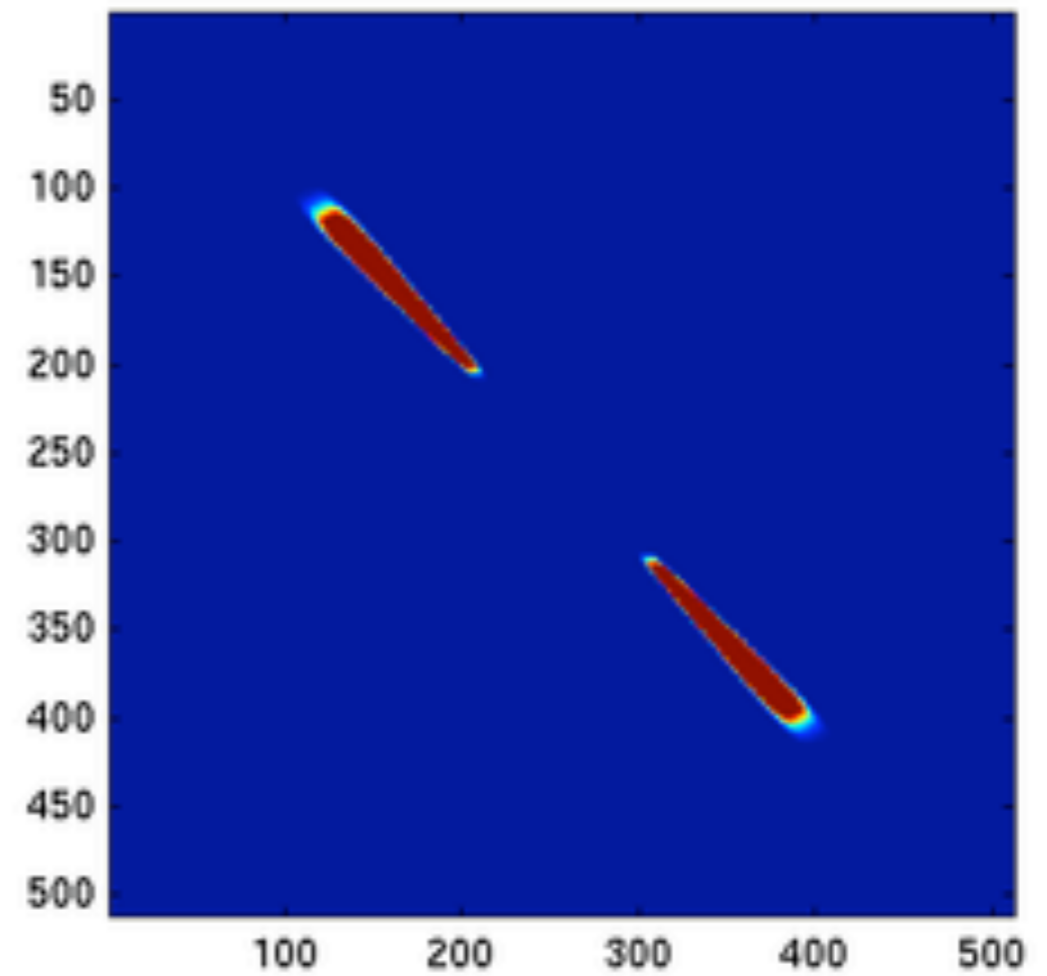
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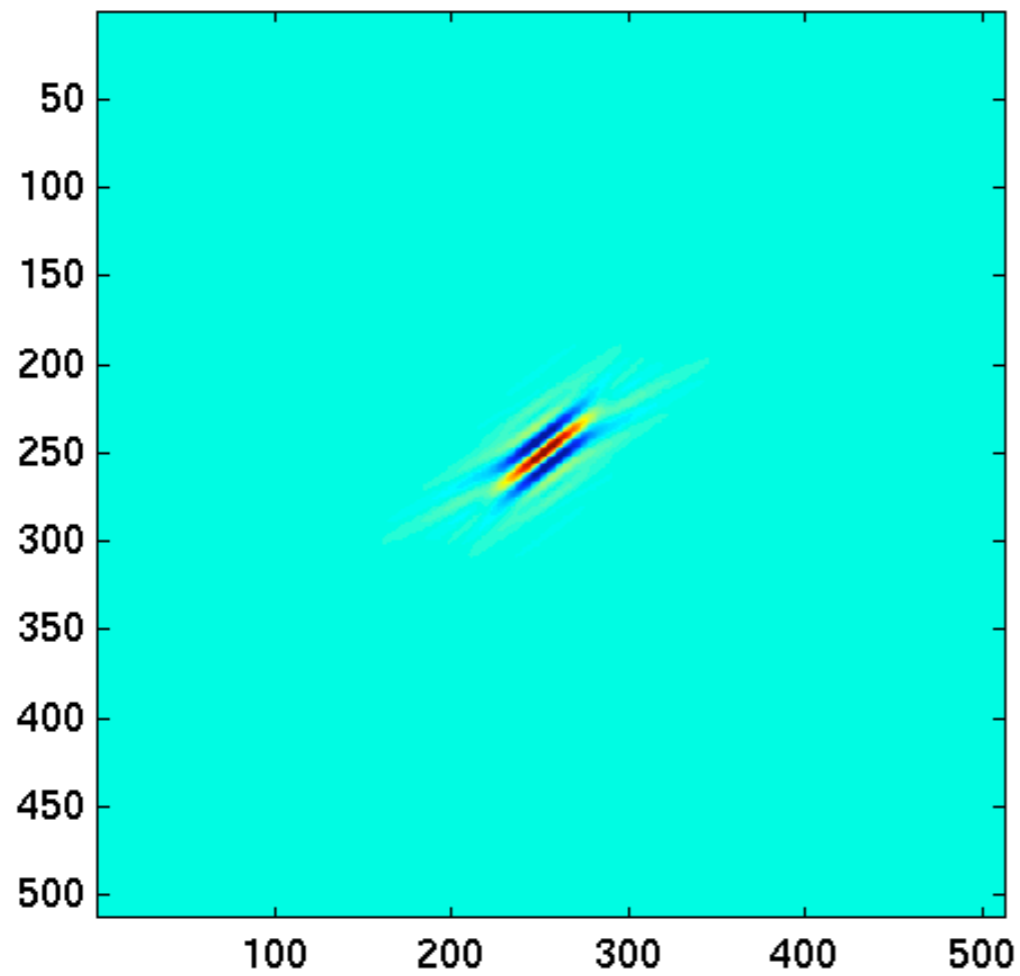
- Space domain, a closer look...

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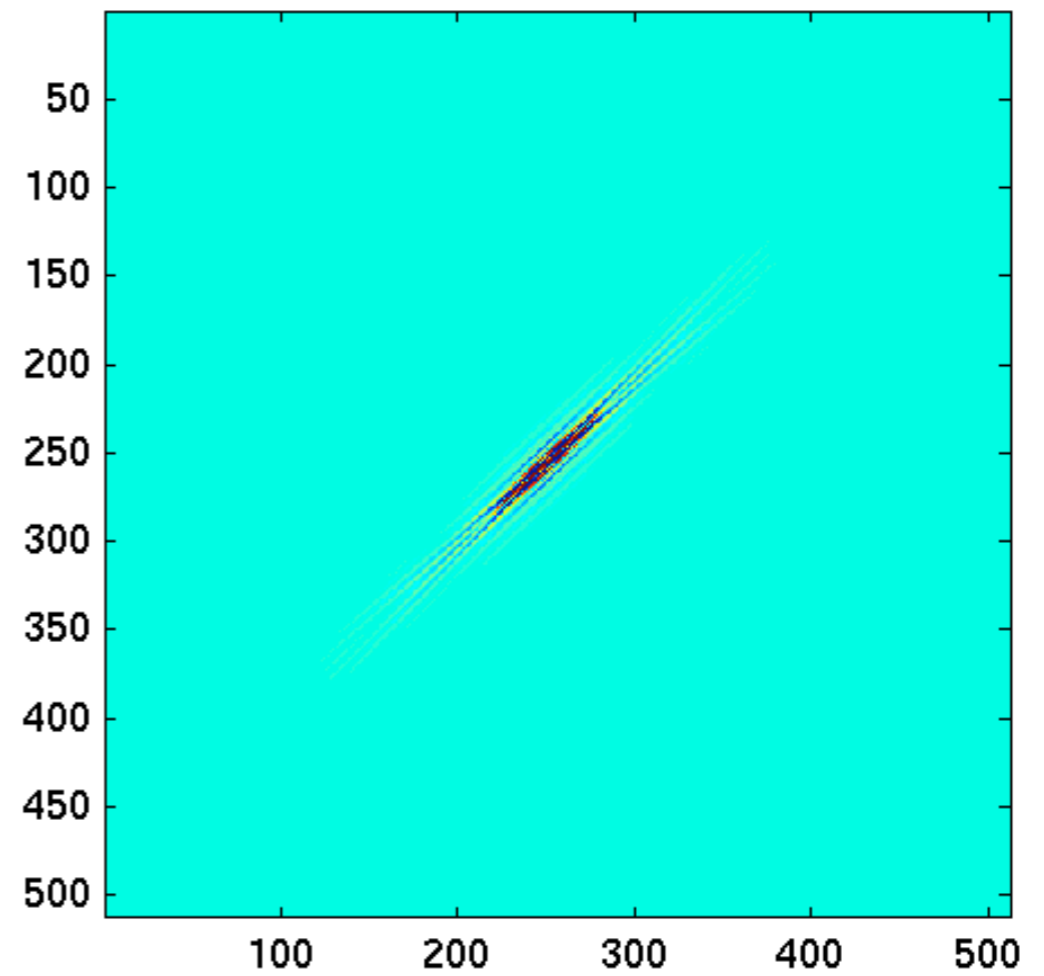
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Surfacelet



Curvelet

# Comparison Summary

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	Surfacelets		Curvelets	
Redundancy	2D:	~4	2D:	~8
	3D:	~6	3D:	~24
Spacial Localization	Slower spacial decay		Faster spacial decay	
Frequency Localization	Spread over an entire scale		Strict (localized to one wedge)	
Coefficient decay rate	Slower		Faster	

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