

Extended images in action

image gather with surface-related multiples

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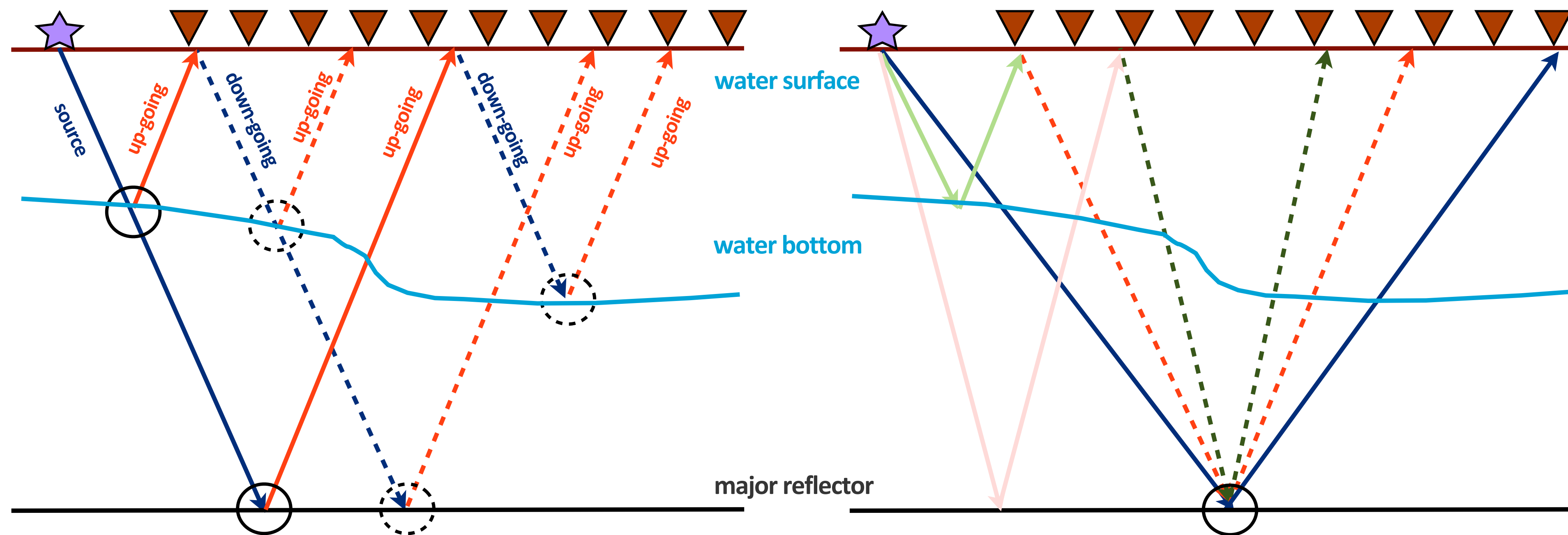
Why need image gathers ?

- Effective velocity analysis tool
- *Full*-subsurface *offset* volumes allow us to conduct
 - AVA using information from *all* offset directions.
 - geological dip corrections

Requirement's

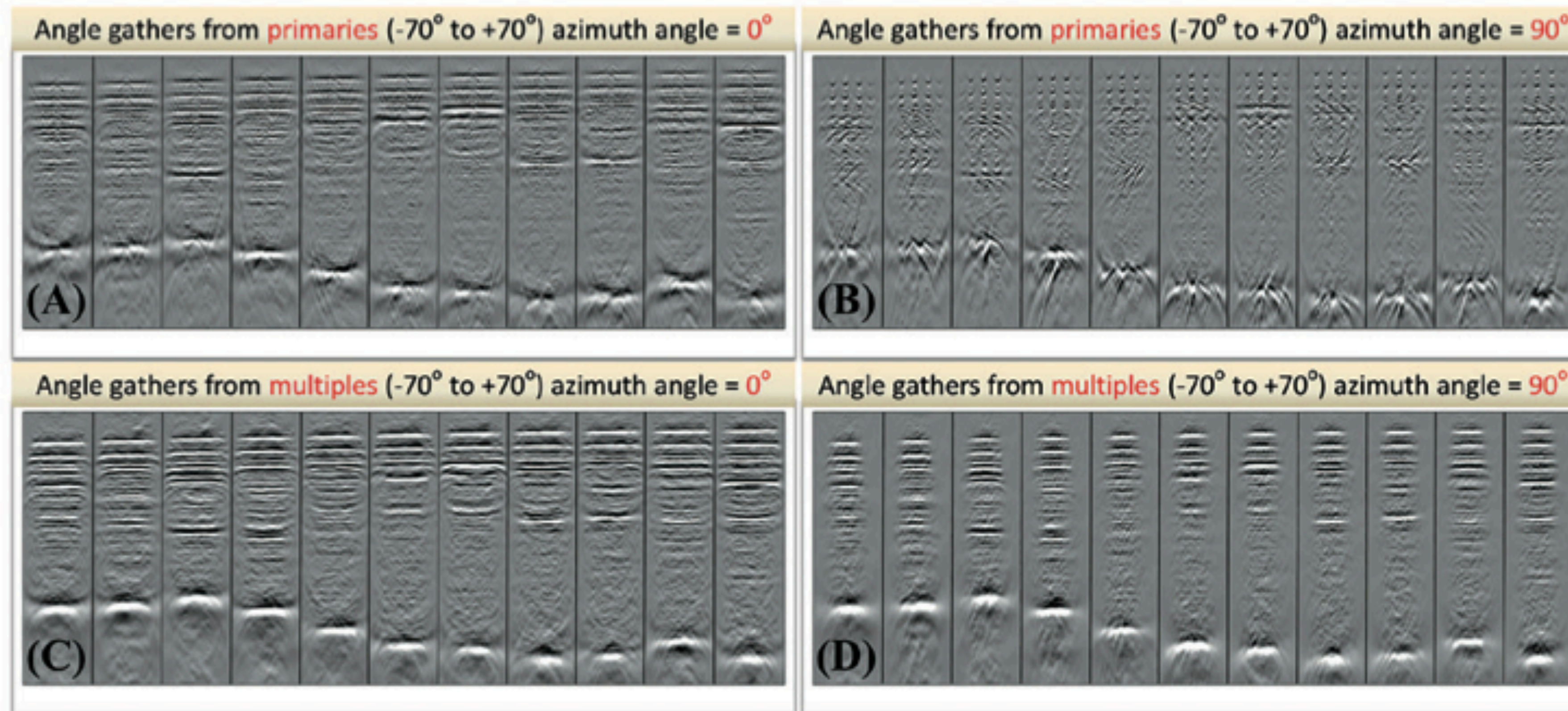
- Primaries only [Kumar et. al. '14](#)
 - limited by subsurface illumination
- Multiples only [Lu et. al. '14](#)
 - wider illumination of subsurface
 - cumbersome process

Why need multiples ?



Lu et. al. '14

Image gathers w/ multiples



Impediments

- “*Sloppy*” – ad hoc processing (move-out / dip filtering)
 - not accurate
- *Accurate* – model driven (SRME, EPSI)
 - computationally expensive

Motivation

- *Leverage benefits of SRME*
 - perform multi-dimensional convolution within imaging condition
- *All in one go method*

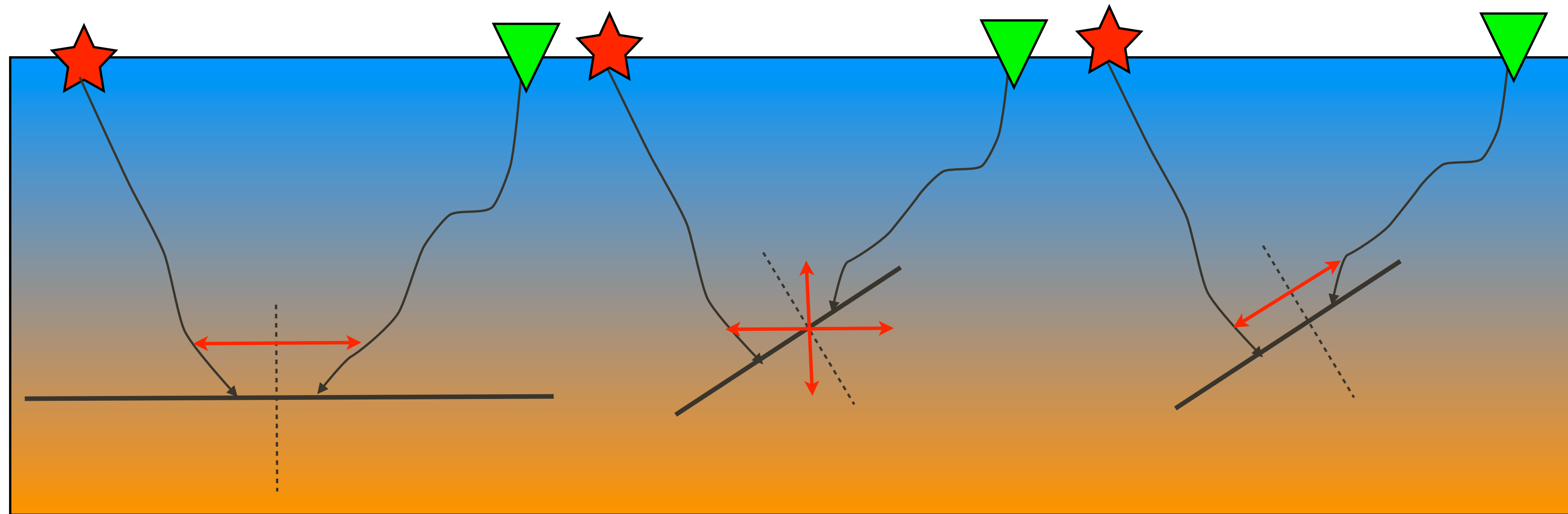
Quick recap

$$e(\omega, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_i u_i(\omega, \mathbf{x}) v_i(\omega, \mathbf{x}')^*$$

- Organize wavefields in monochromatic data matrices [\[Berkhout, 84\]](#)
- Express *extended* image volume *tensor* as *matrix*

$$E = UV^*$$

[Biondo & Symes, '04 ;Sava & Vasconcelos, '11]

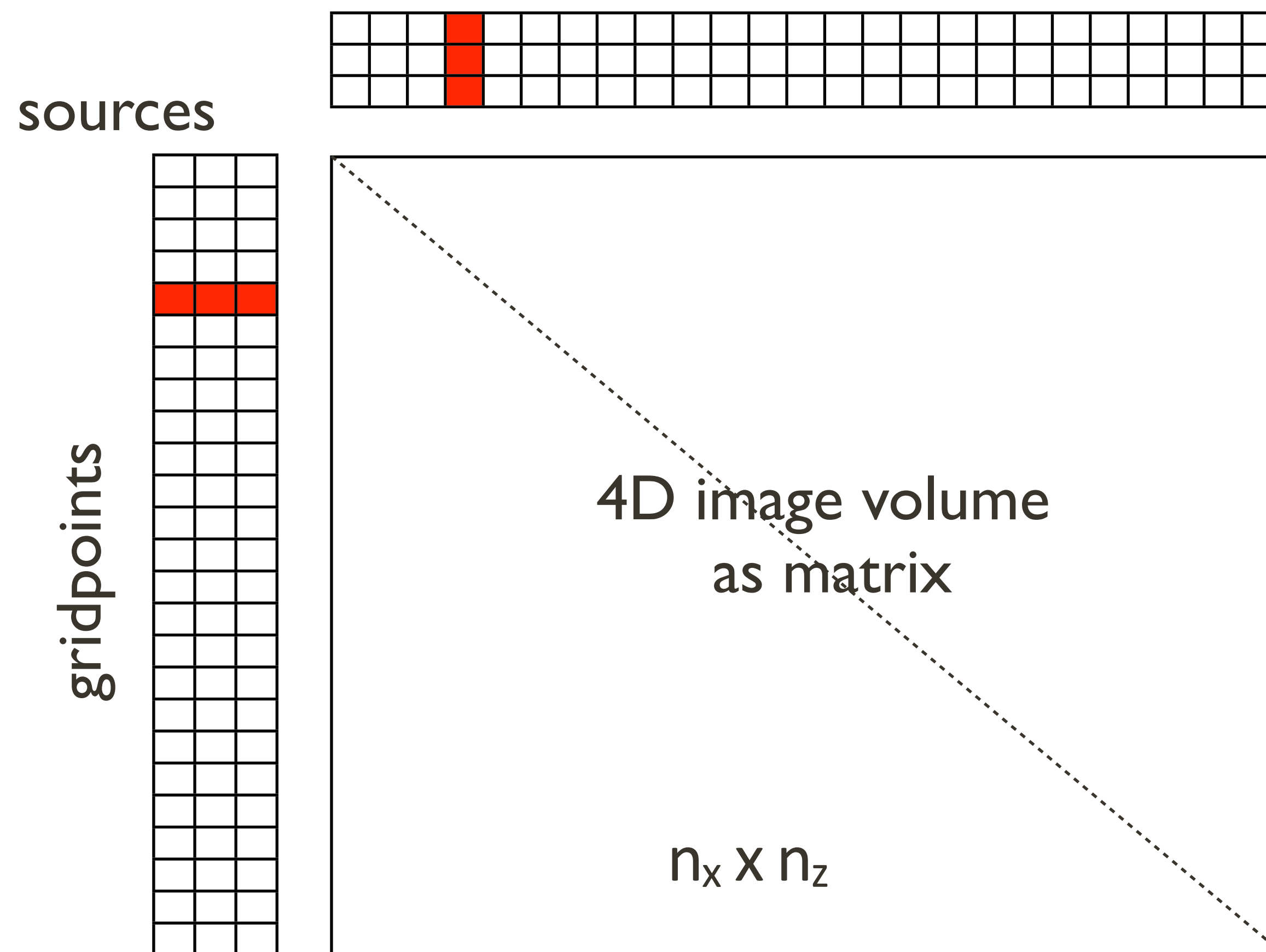


horizontal
offset

horizontal
+vertical
offset

all offsets

Extended images



Computation

- *Complete* image volume too *large* to form: $(n_x \times n_z)^2$
- instead, *probe* volume for information via *mat-vecs* $E\mathbf{w}$ VAN LEEUWEN 2012
- \mathbf{w} can be interpreted as subsurface (sim.) *source* function

Computation

- *mat-vec* with extended image :

$$\tilde{E} = EW = H^{-1} P_s^T Q D^* P_r H^{-1} W$$

- $\tilde{\mathbf{d}} = P_r H^{-1} \mathbf{y}$ (one subsurface source)
- $\tilde{\mathbf{w}} = D^* \tilde{\mathbf{d}}$ (source weight)
- $\tilde{E} = H^{-1} P_s^T Q \tilde{\mathbf{w}}$ (one source)

Computation

computation of an *image point gather*

	# of PDE solves	“flops for correlations”
conventional	$2N_s$	$N_s \times N_h$
mat-vecs	$2N_x$	$N_s \times N_r$

N_s - # of sources

N_r - # of receivers

N_h - # of subsurface offsets

N_x - # of sample points

How to incorporate the multiples

Linearized modeling w\ multiples

$$P \doteq \nabla \mathcal{F}_i [m_0, Q_i - P_i]$$

$\nabla \mathcal{F}_i$: linearized modelling

m_0 : background model

$Q_i - P_i$: areal source array

Extended imaging w\ multiples

$$\tilde{E} = EW = H^{-1} P_s^T (Q - P) P^* P_r H^{-1} W$$

where

$(Q - P)$: areal source

P : total upgoing wavefield

Least-square extended imaging w\ multiples

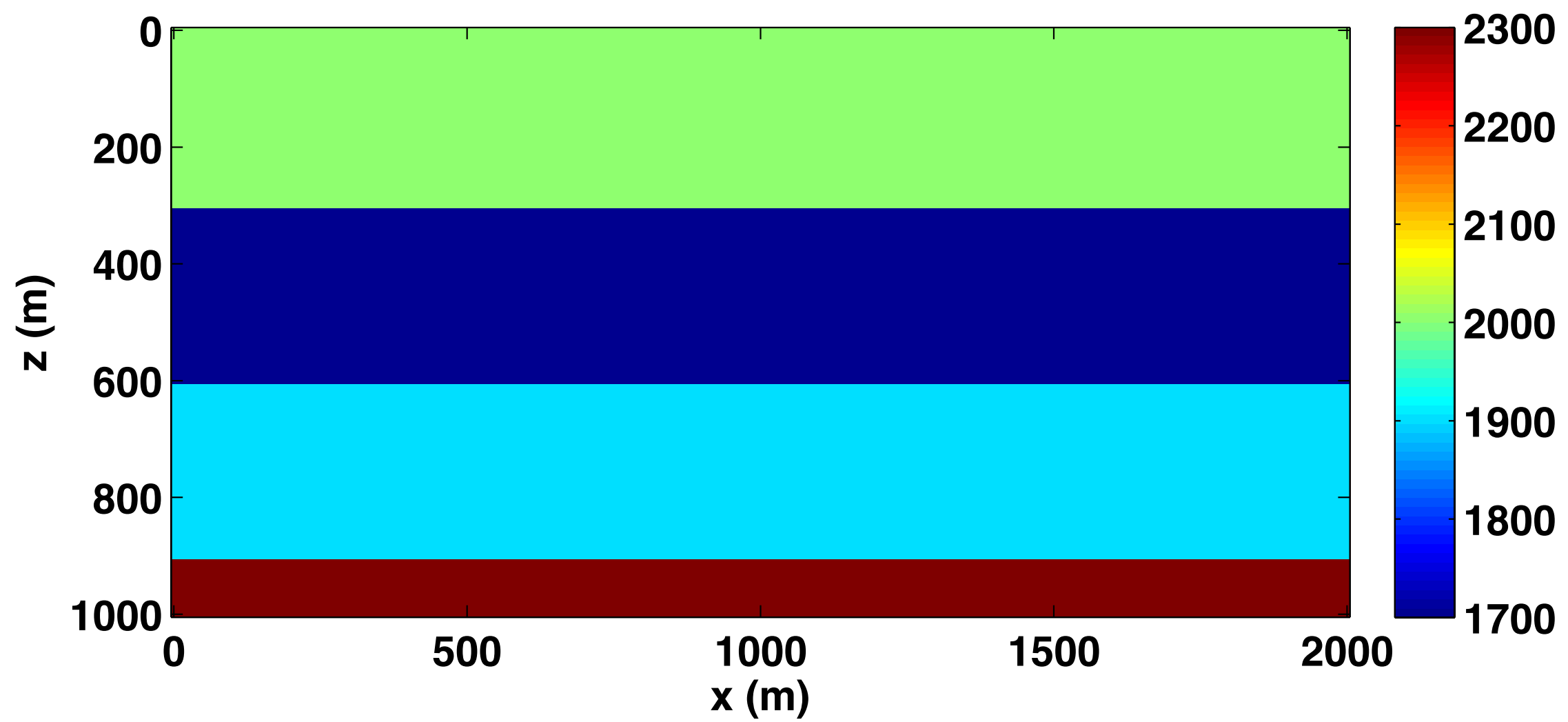
$$\text{minimize}_{\tilde{E}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|P - \mathcal{F}(\tilde{E})\|_F^2$$

where

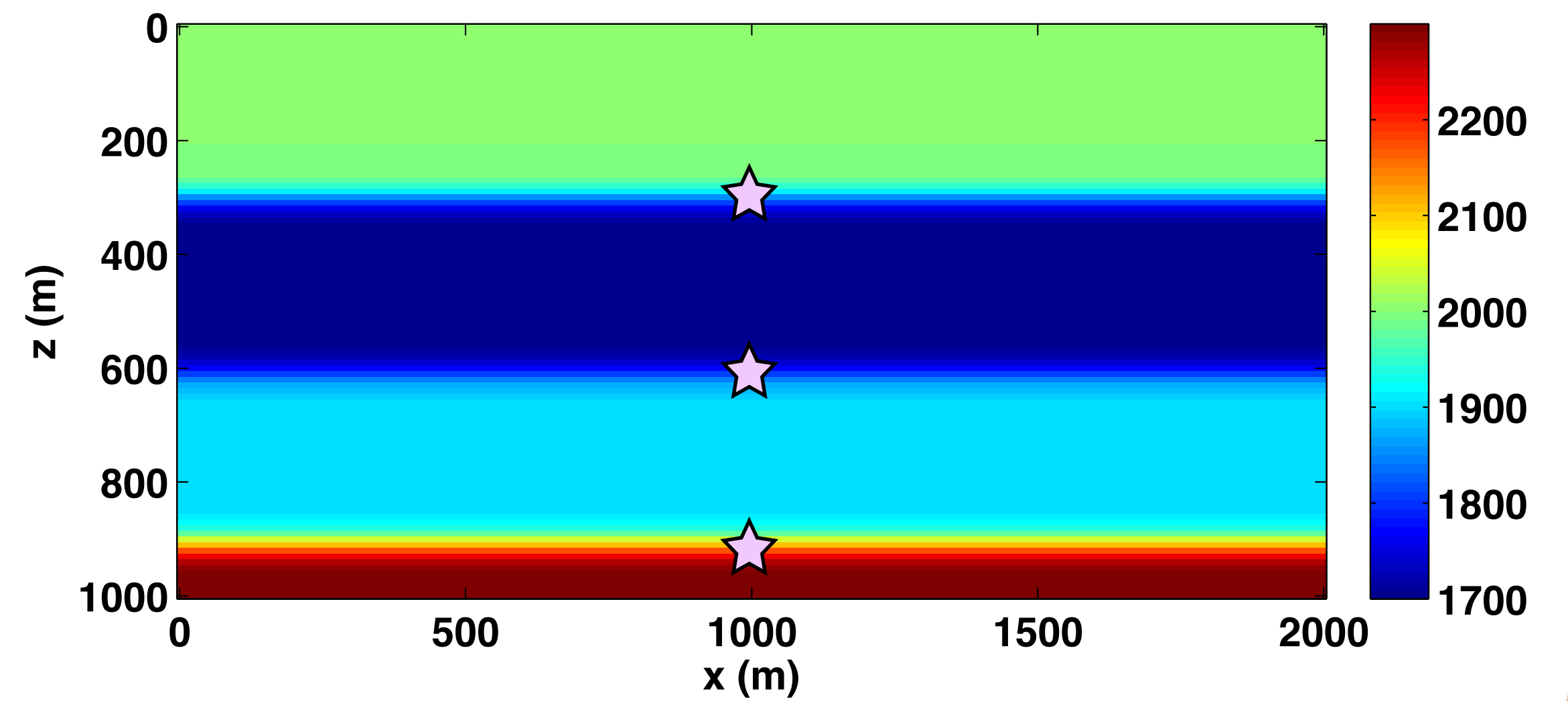
$$\mathcal{F}(\tilde{E}) = P_r H^{-1} \tilde{E} ((Q - P)^* P_s H^{-*} W)^*$$

Experimental Results

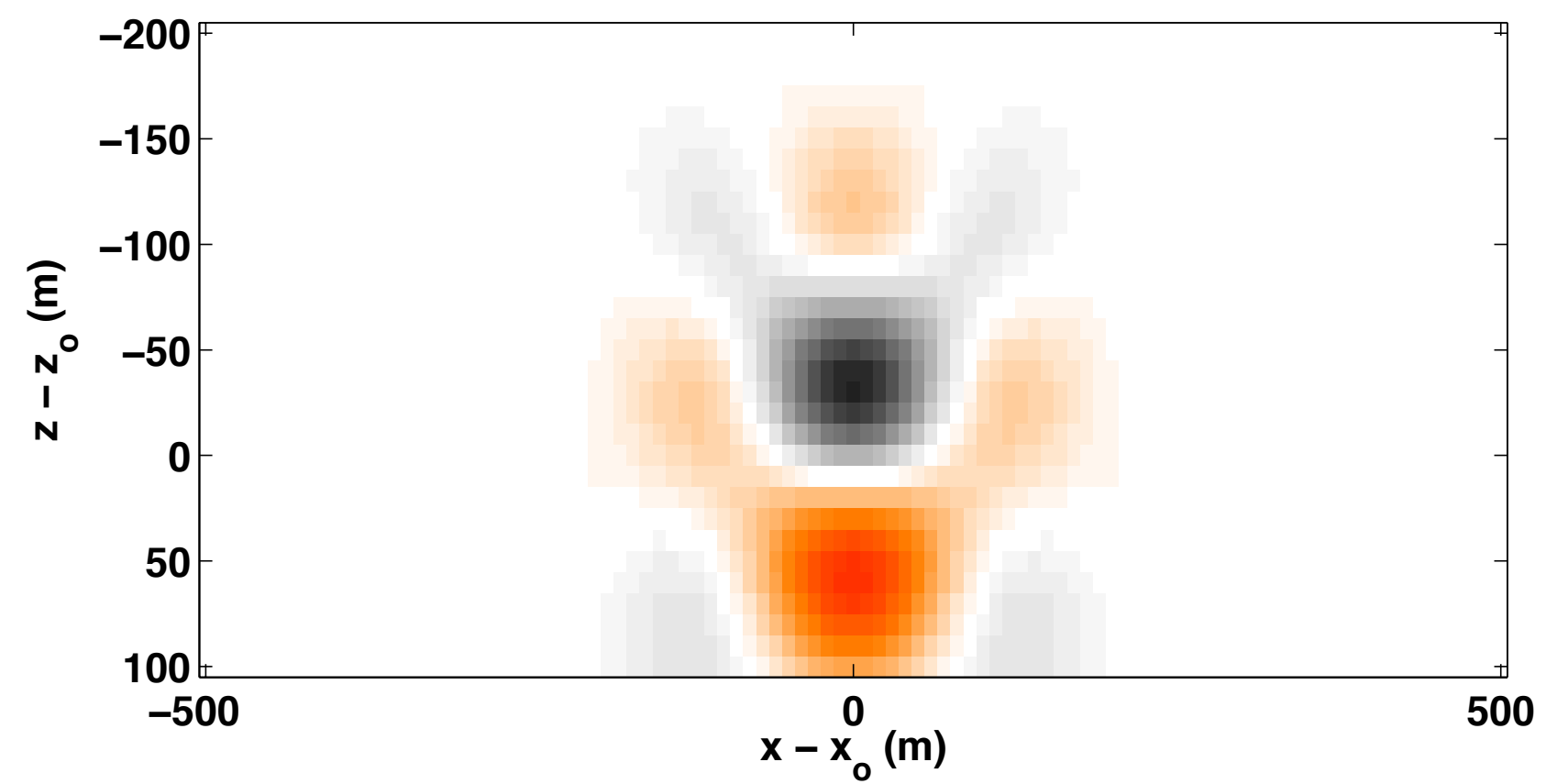
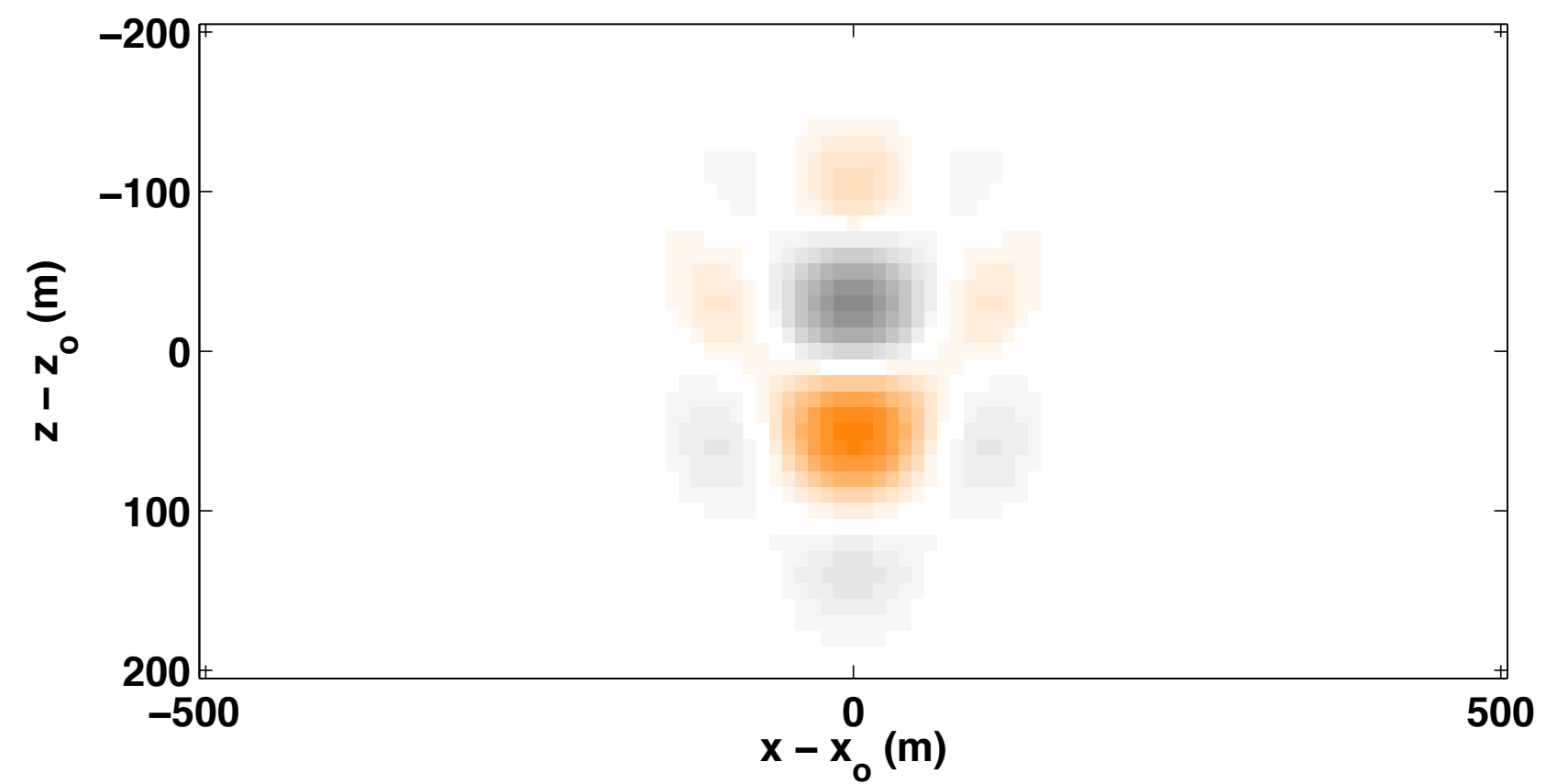
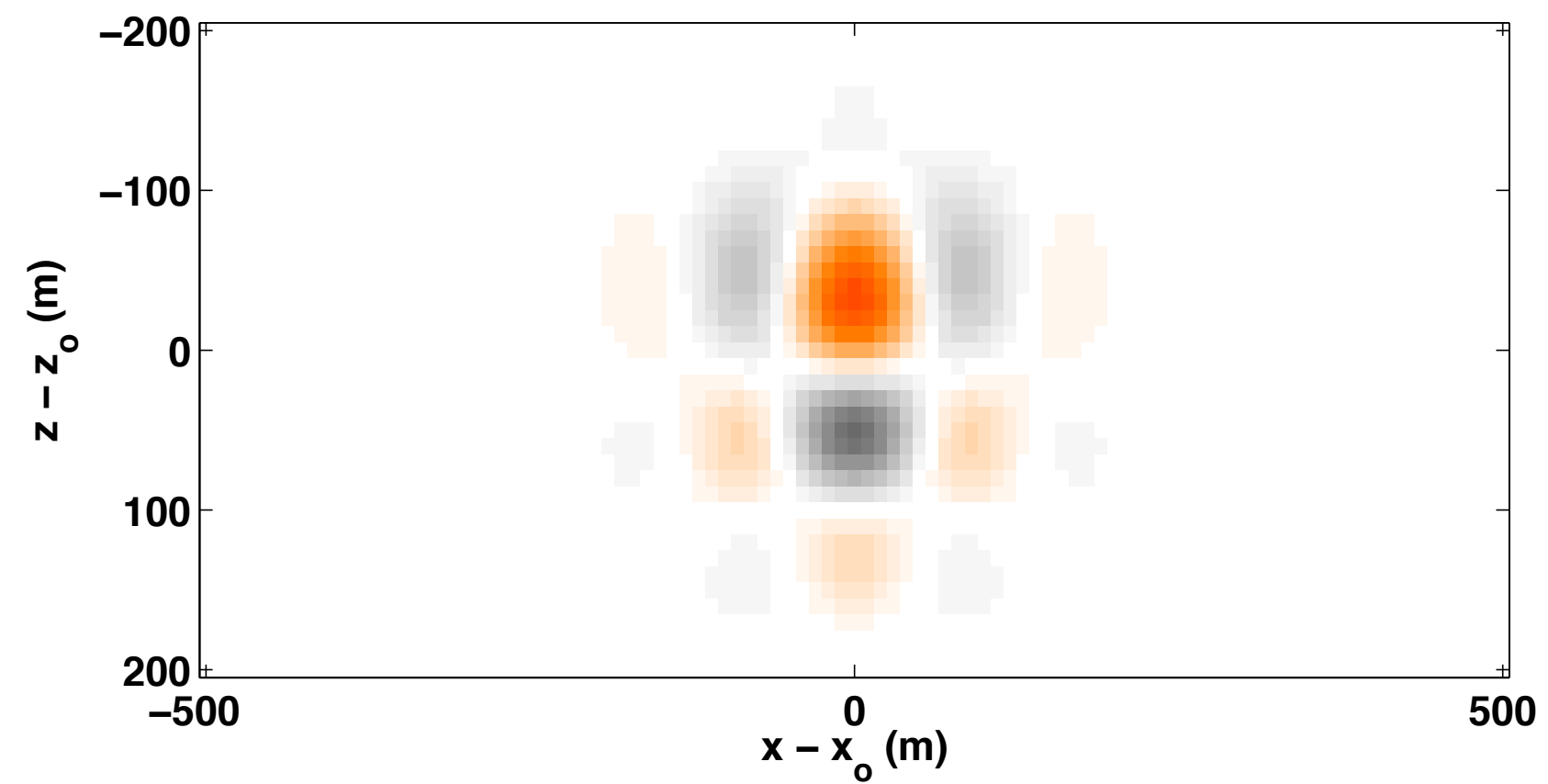
Velocity model



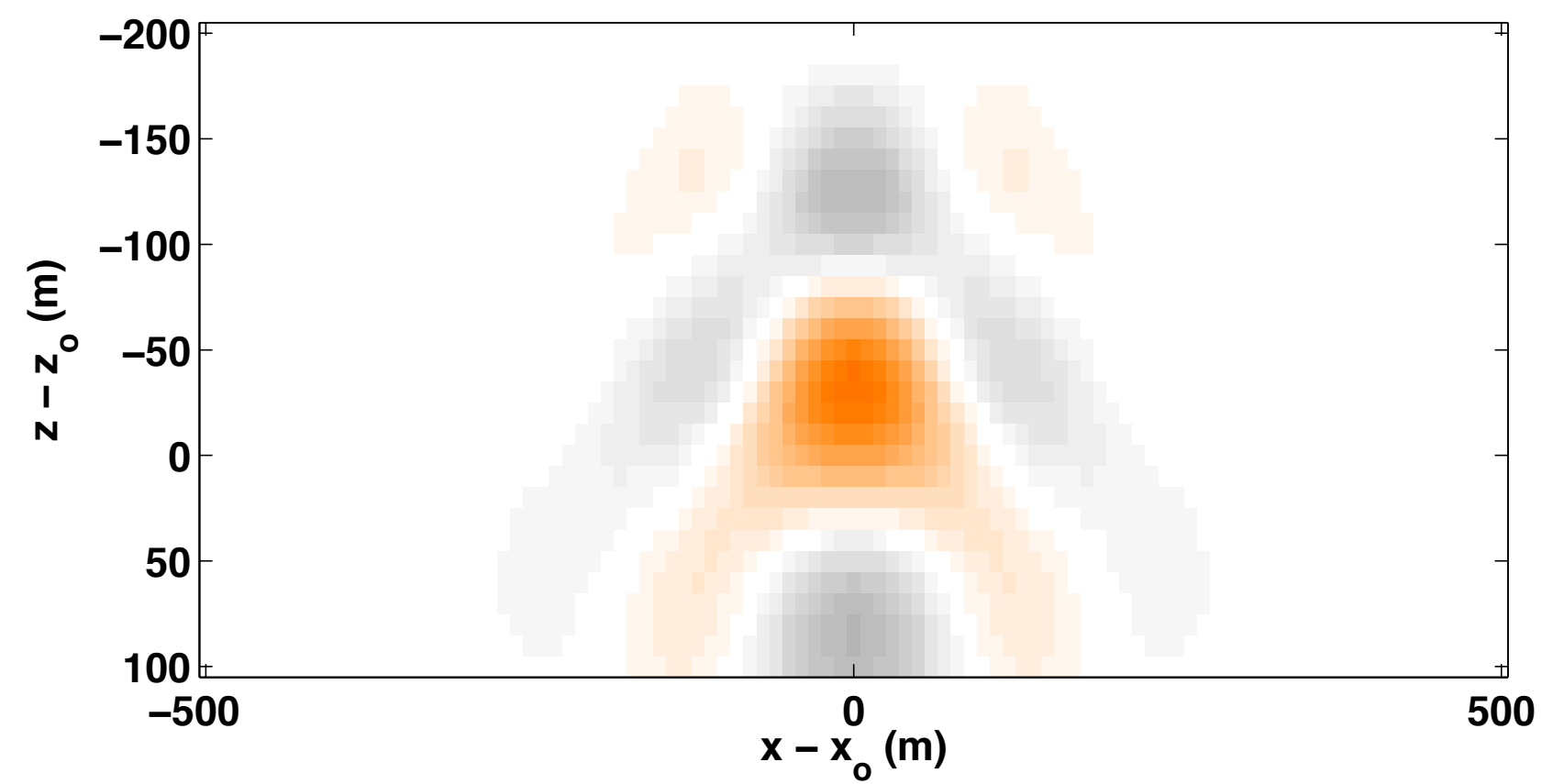
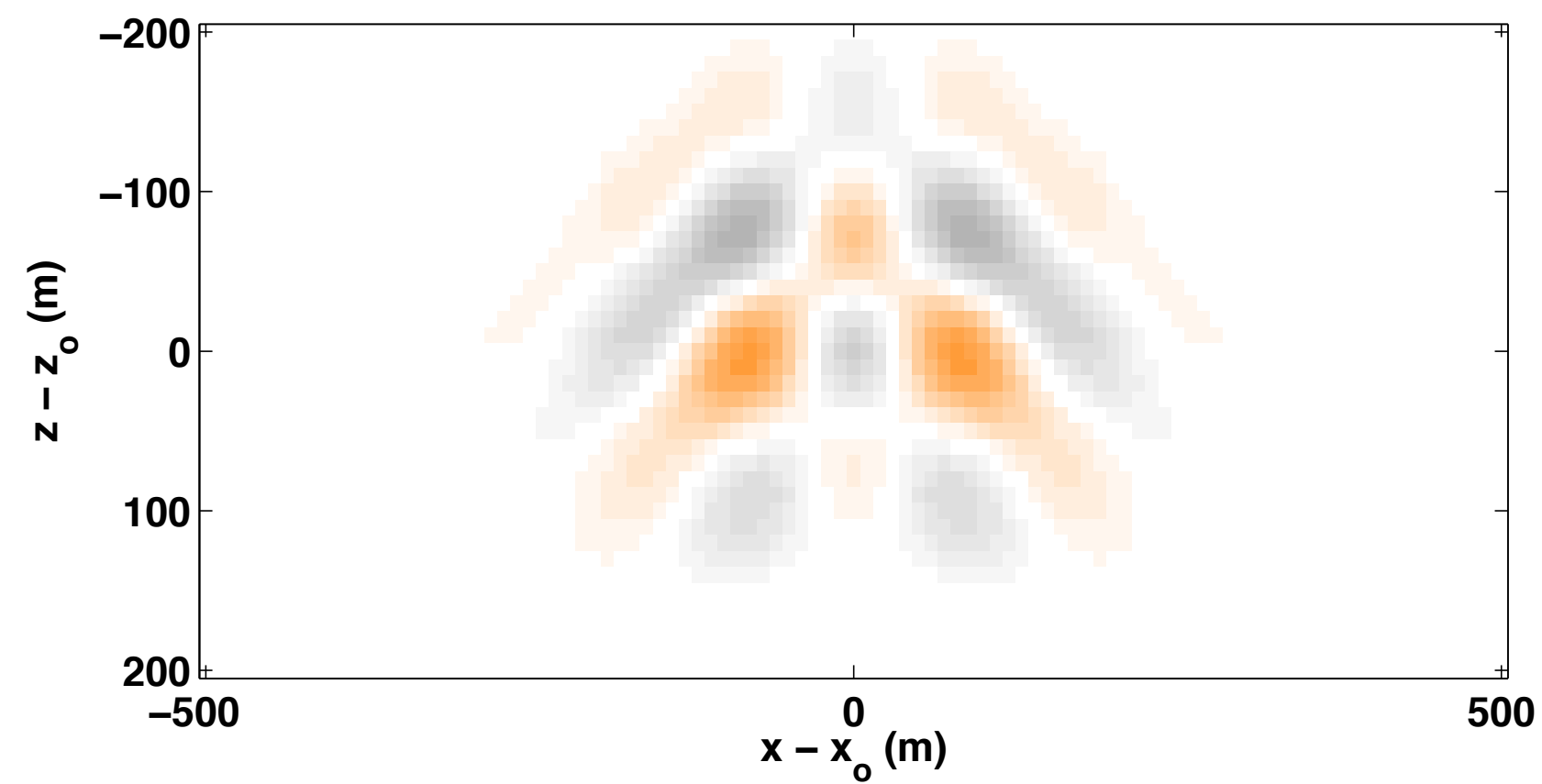
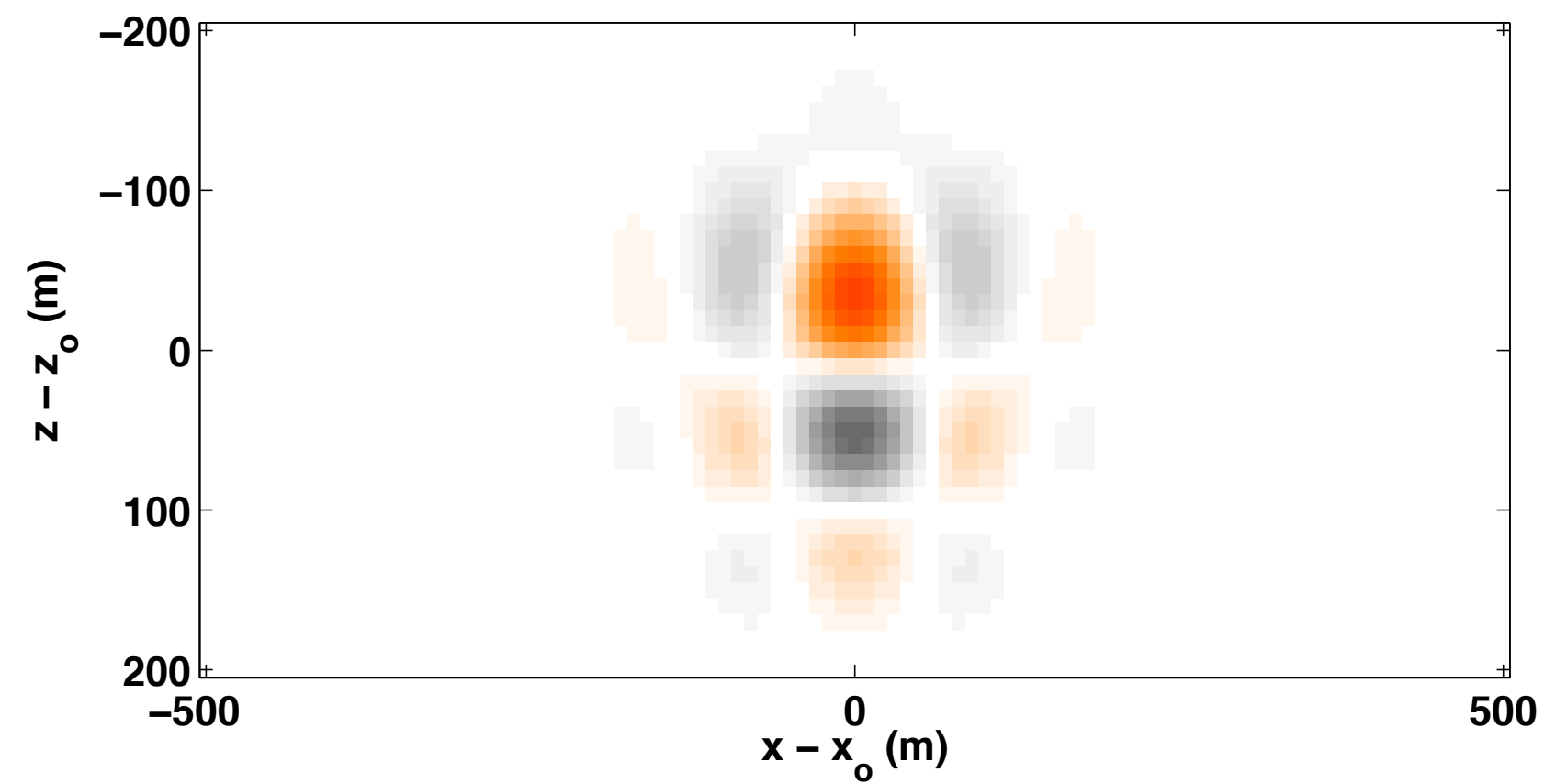
True model



Initial model

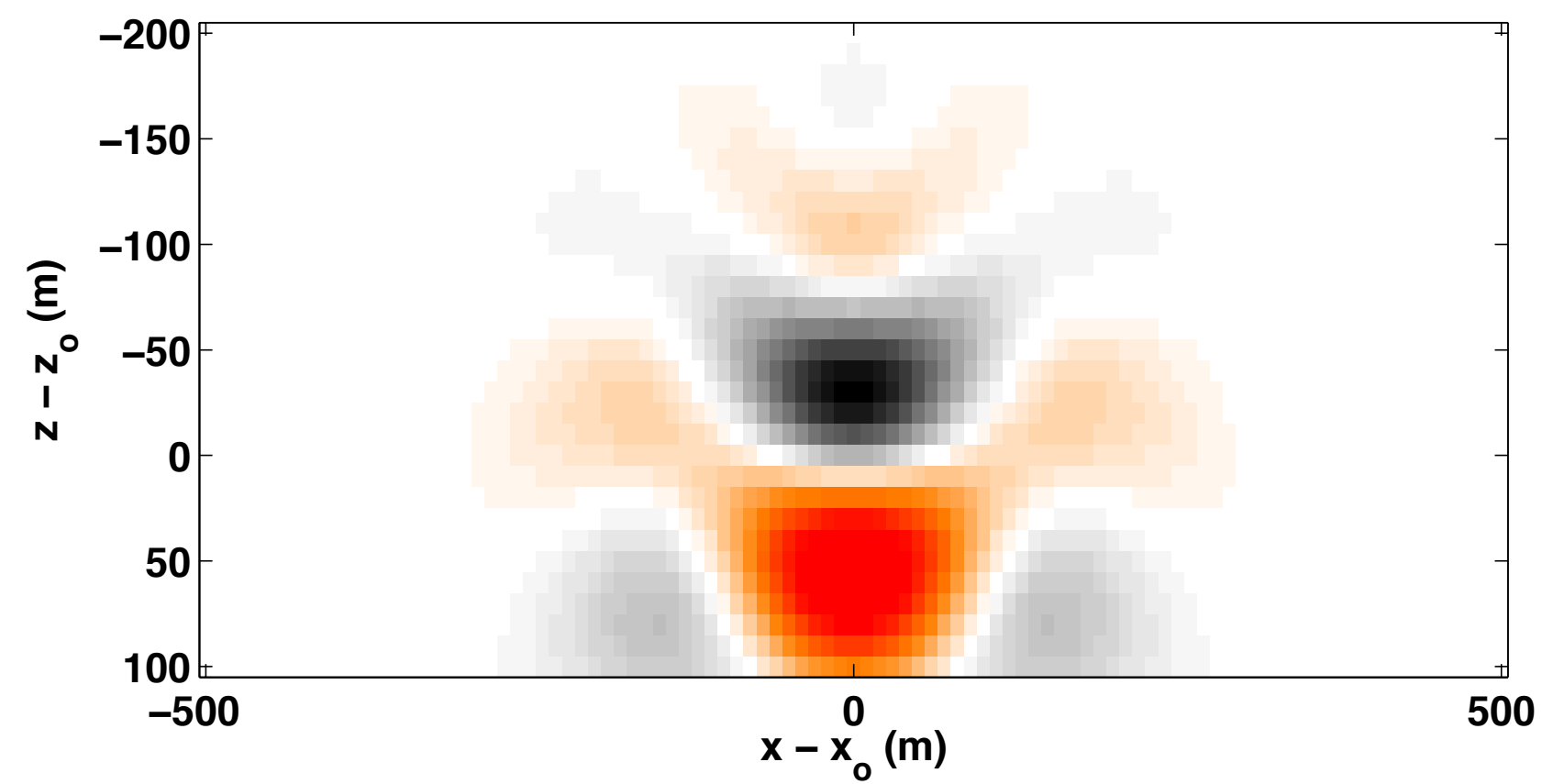
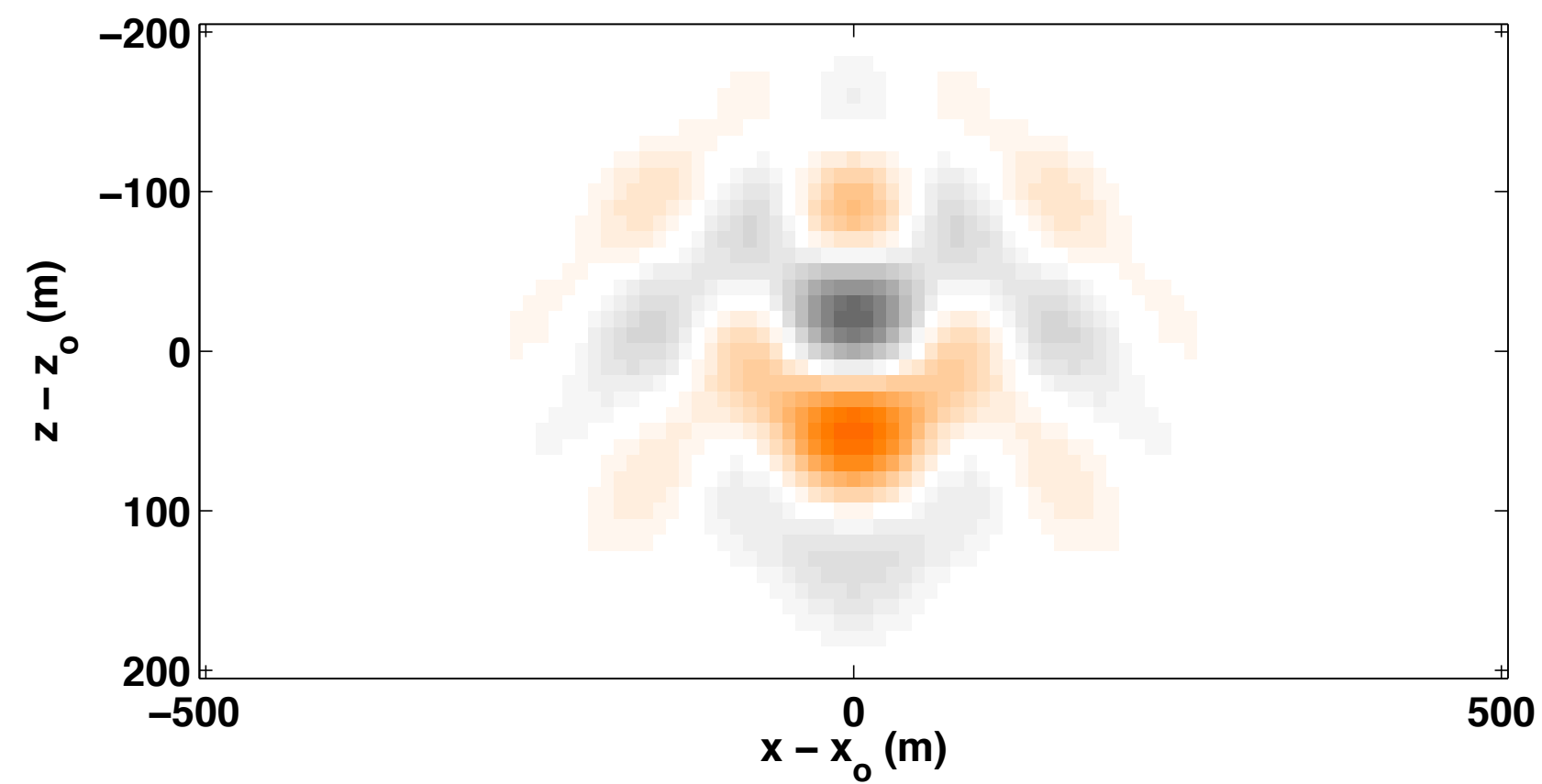
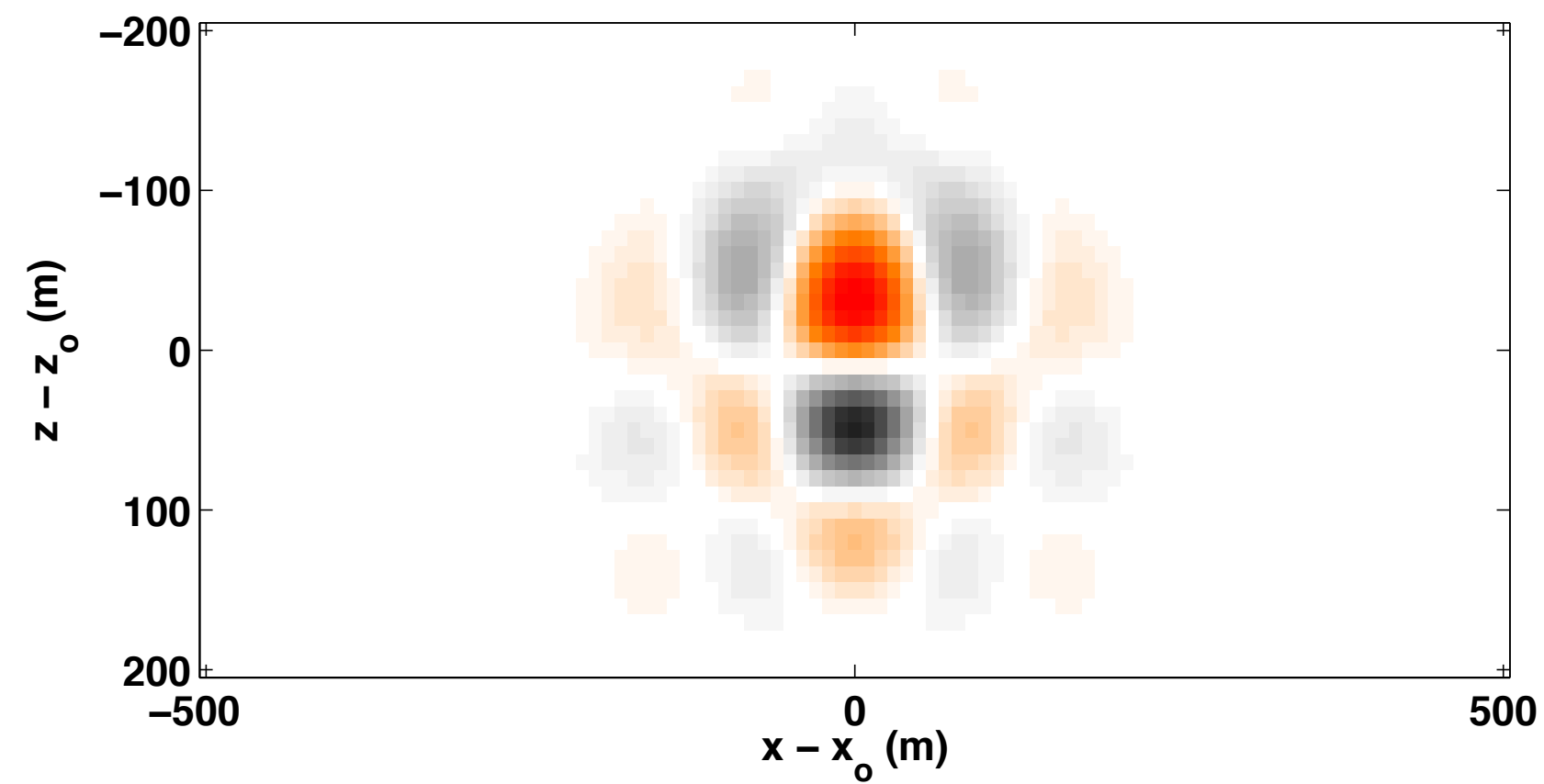


Primary only



Primary + Multiples

w/o areal source

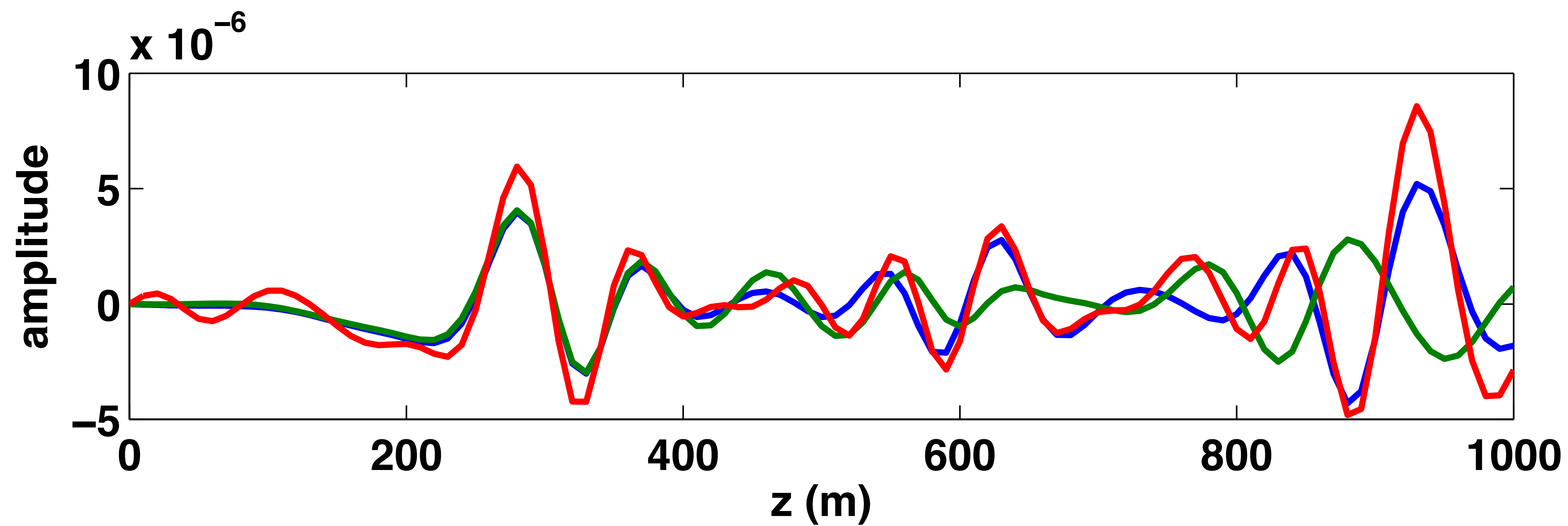


Primary + Multiples

w/ areal source

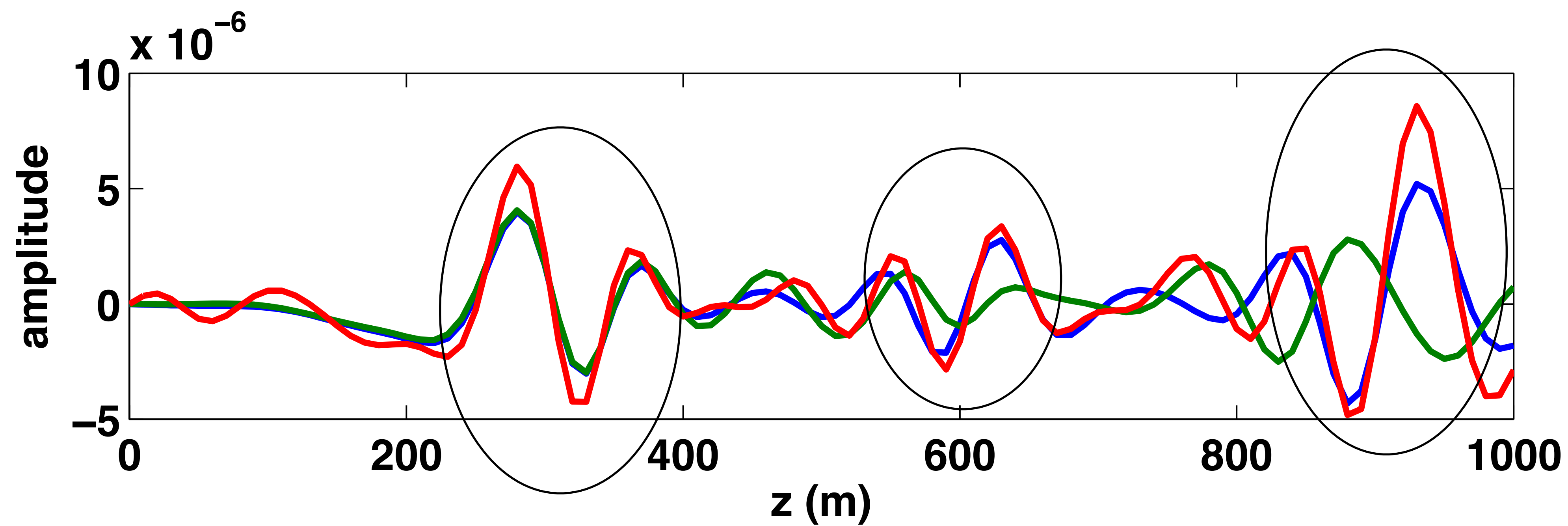
Vertical Trace

primaries only
primaries + multiple (w/o areal source)
primaries + multiple (w areal source)



Vertical Trace

primaries only
primaries + multiple (w/o areal source)
primaries + multiple (w areal source)



Conclusions

- Multiples illuminate the subsurface at larger azimuthal angle
- Provide extra degree of freedom to improve image-gathers
- Multiples should be use with primary to mitigate the acquisition related artifacts

Future Work

- Testing on real data set
- Incorporation of multiples in migration velocity analysis

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