

Source separation via SVD-free rank-minimization in the hierarchical semi-separable representation

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Conventional marine acquisition

★ source depth = 10 m

regularly sampled spatial grid →

shot 1



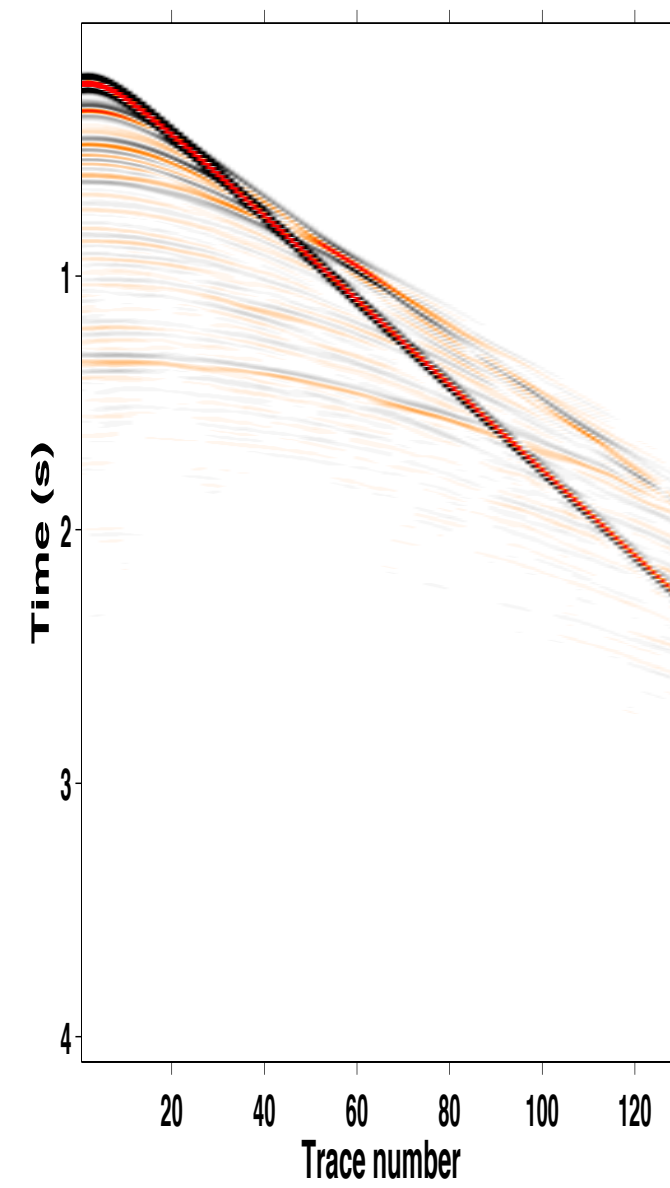
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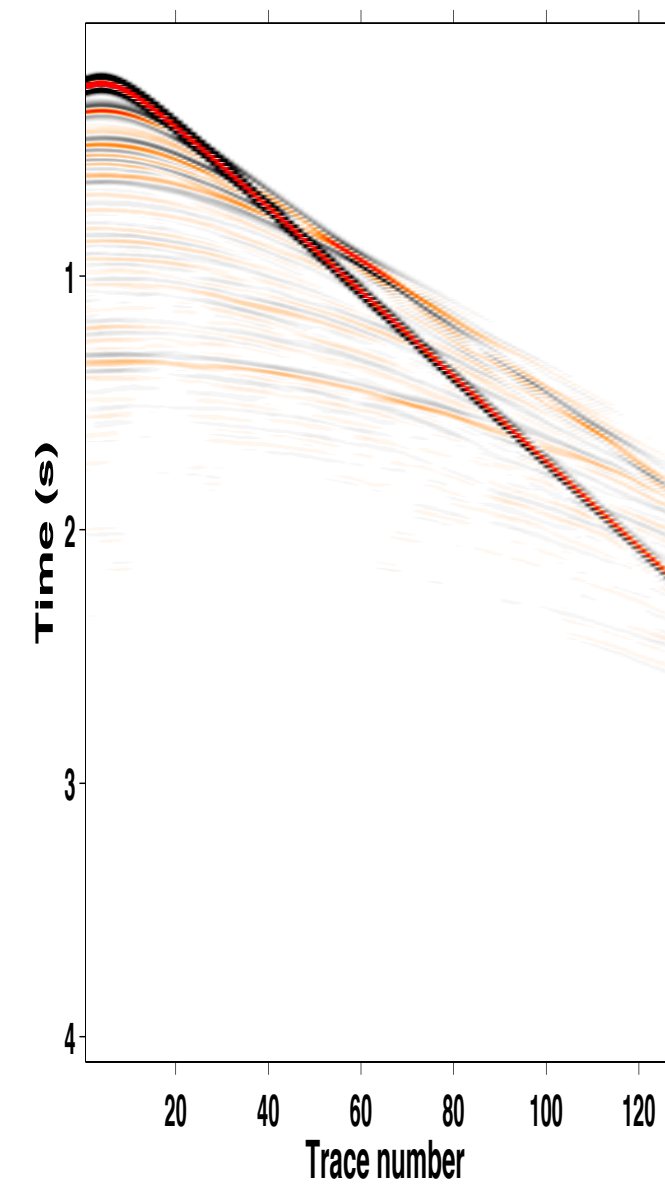
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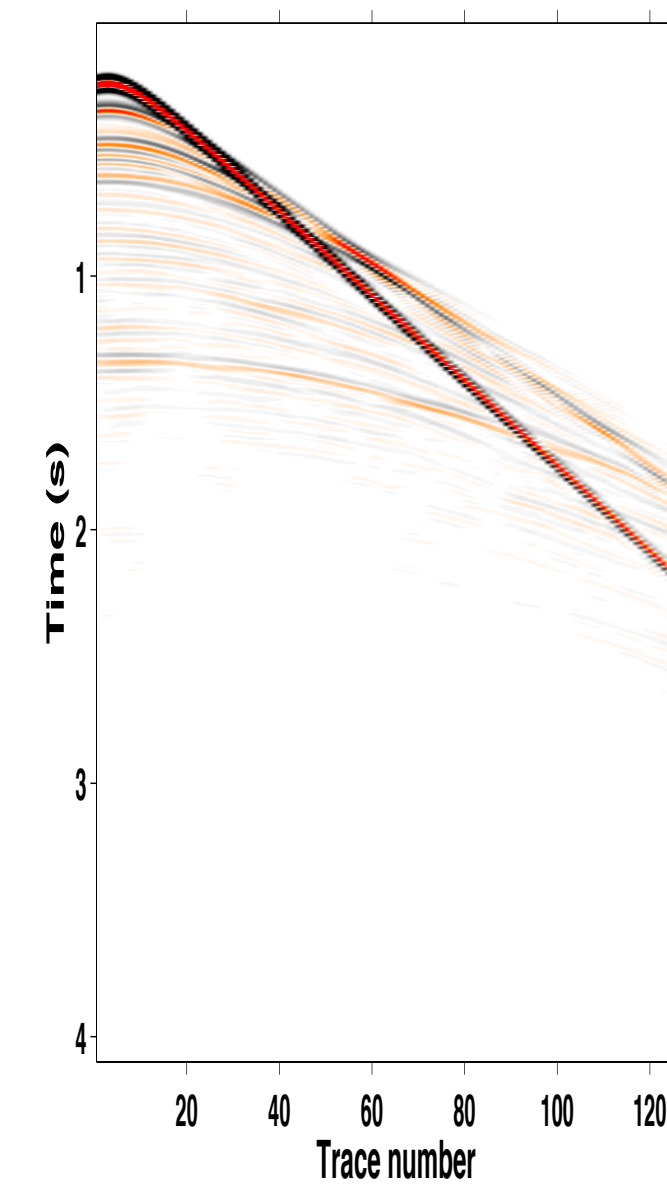
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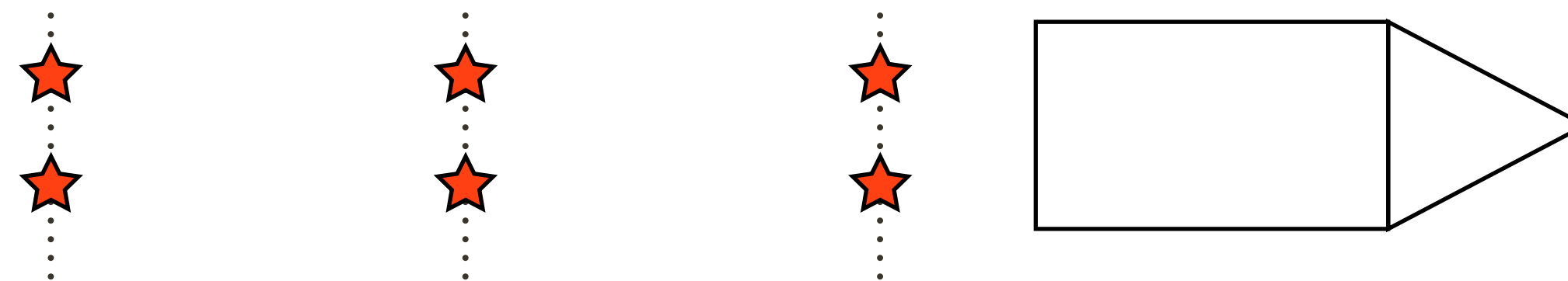


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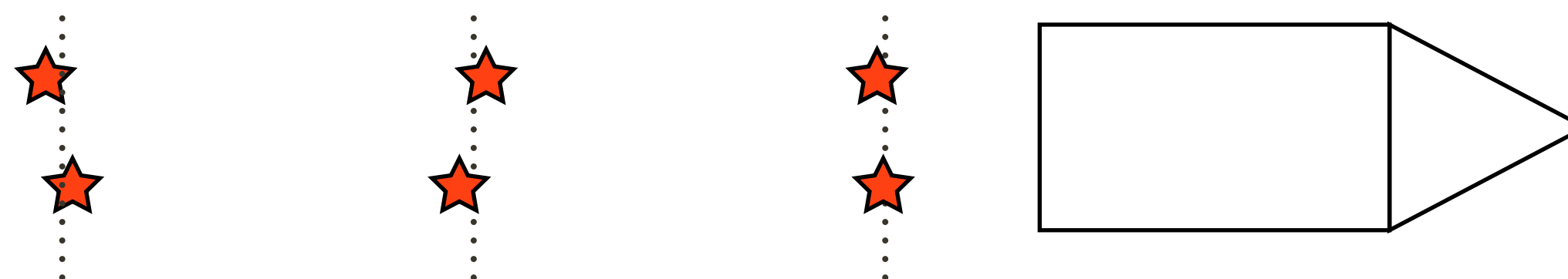


Blended/Simultaneous marine acquisition

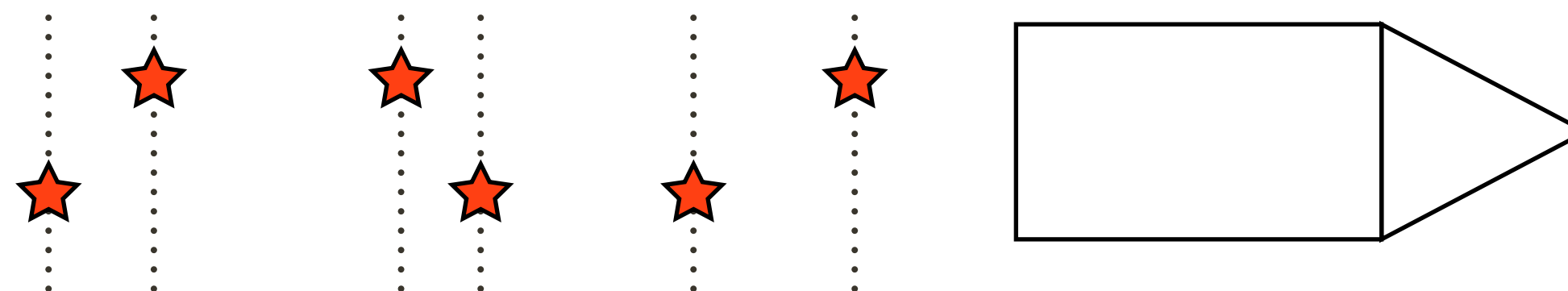
regularly sampled spatial grid



almost regularly sampled spatial grid
(over/under acquisition)



irregularly sampled spatial grid
(*Time-jittered* acquisition)



[Wason and Herrmann, 2013]

[Mansour et. al., 2012]

Blended/Simultaneous marine acquisition

[over/under acquisition]

★ source1 depth = 10 m

★ source2 depth = 15 m

regularly sampled spatial grid
(almost)

shot-time randomness - **LOW**

shot 1



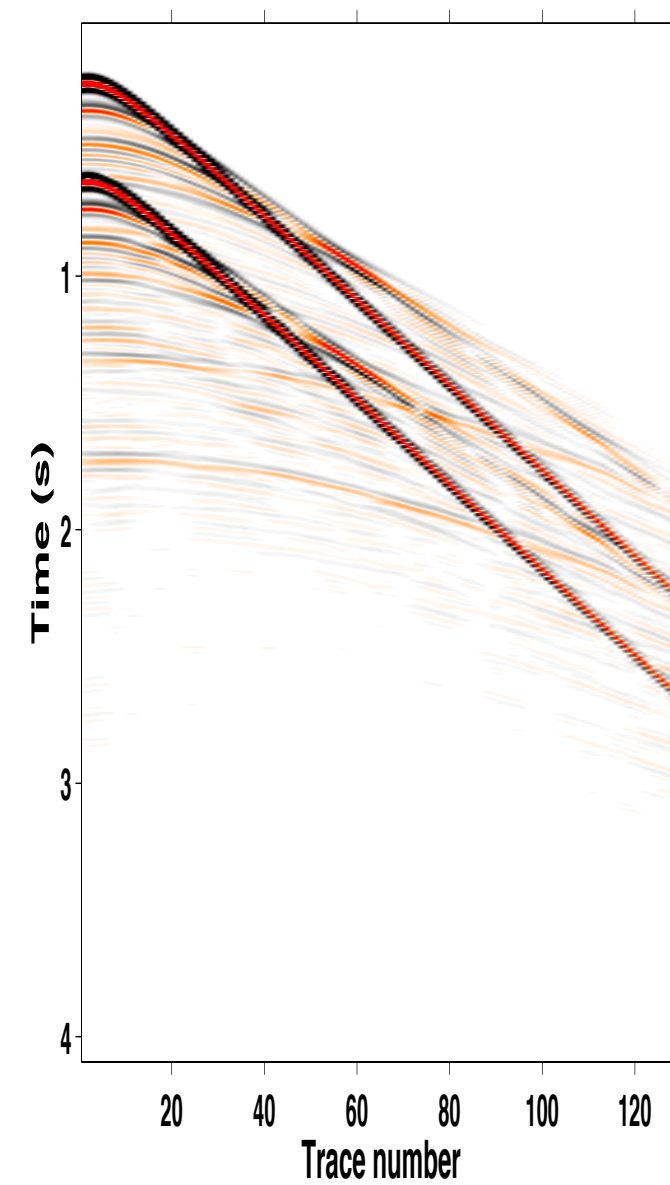
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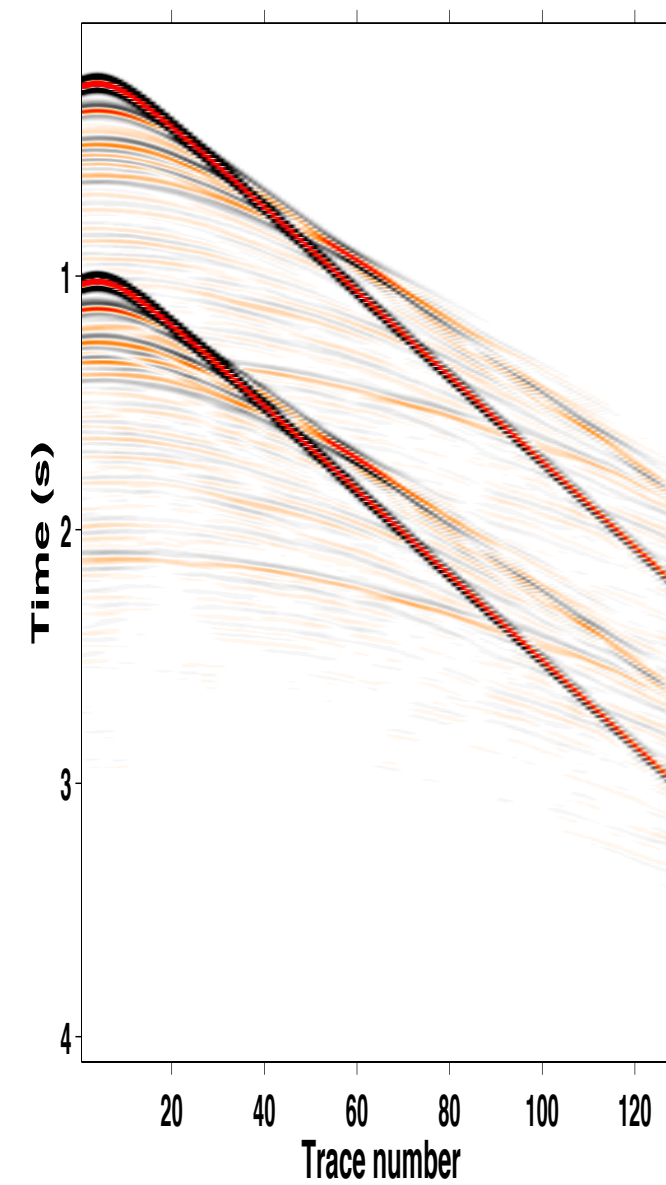
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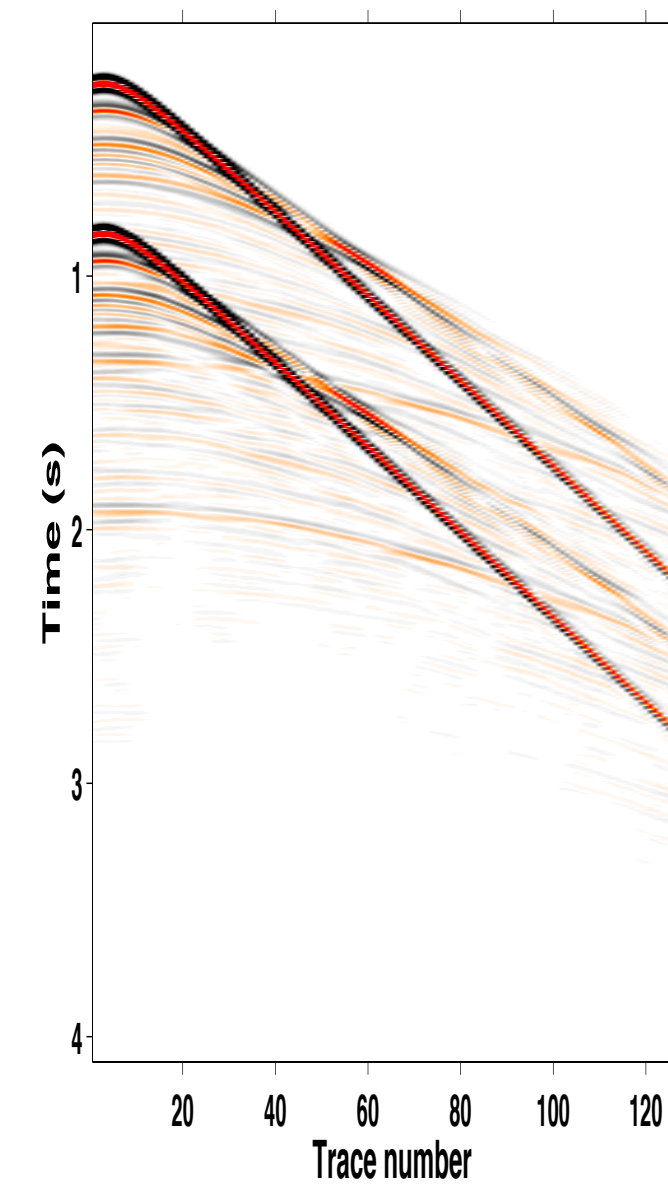
shot 1



shot 2



shot 3



Challenges

- ▶ Source separation (or *deblending*)
 - recover individual datasets
- ▶ Shot-time randomness
 - low

Compressed sensing

Successful sampling & reconstruction scheme

- ▶ exploit *structure* via *sparsifying* transform
 - *fast decay* of “transform domain” coefficients
- ▶ sampling
 - randomly blended data *decreases* sparsity in “transform domain”
- ▶ optimization
 - via *sparsity-promotion*

Matrix completion

Successful reconstruction scheme

- ▶ exploit *structure*
 - *low-rank / fast decay* of singular values
- ▶ sampling
 - randomly blended data *increases* rank in “transform domain”
- ▶ optimization
 - via *rank-minimization (nuclear norm-minimization)*

Low-rank structure

In which domain?

source-receiver or midpoint-offset

Blended data (w/o delay)

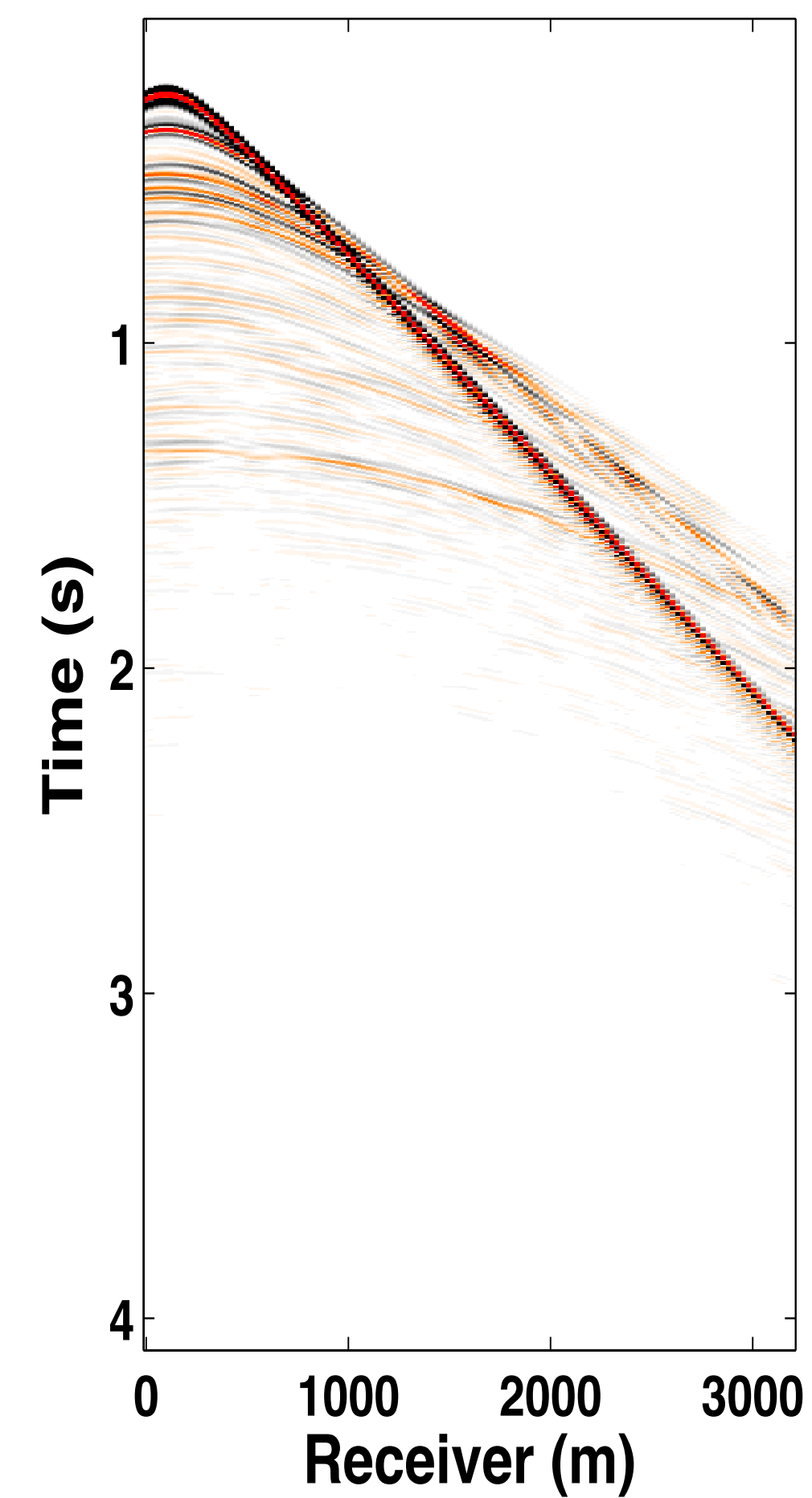
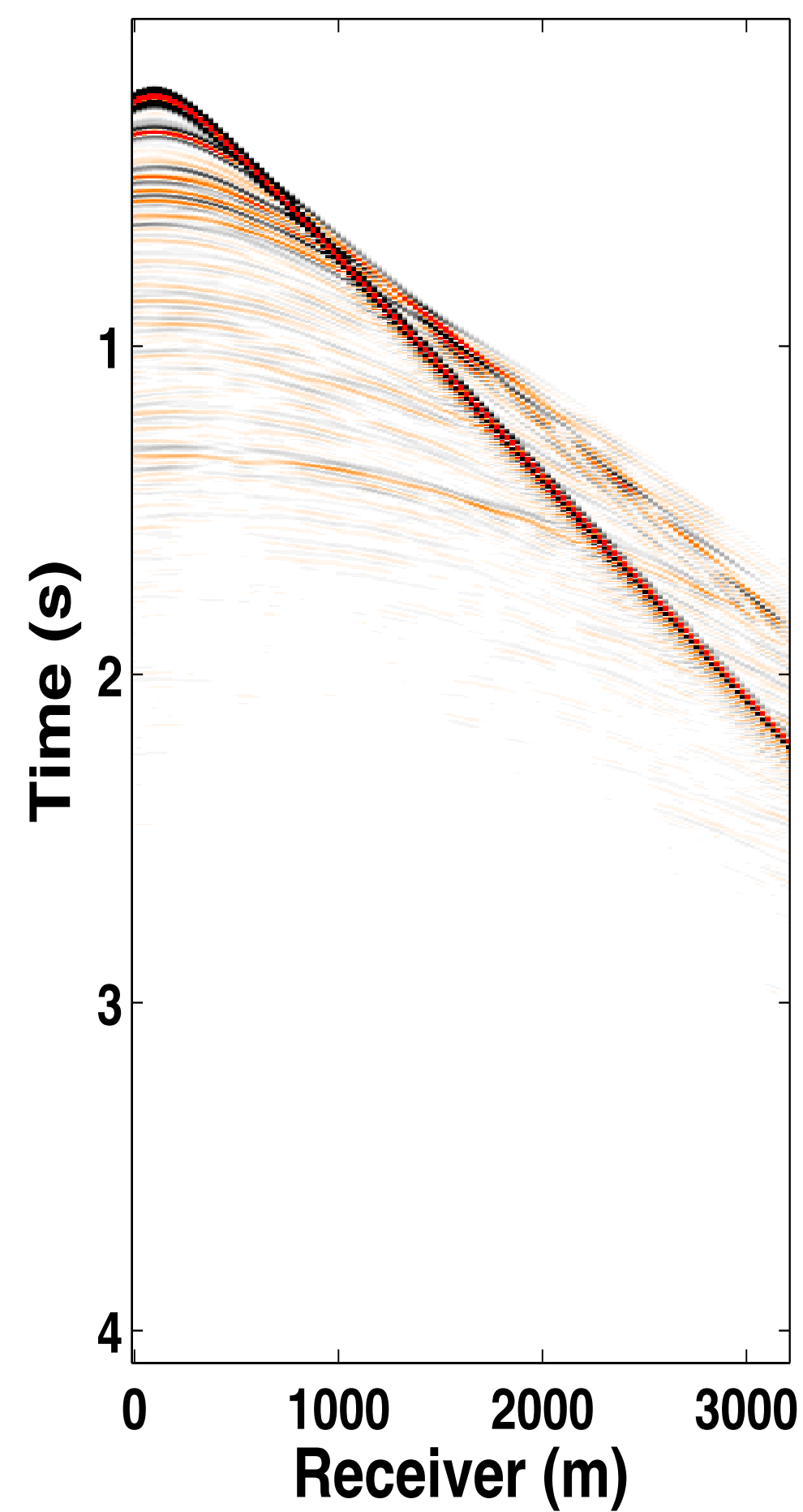
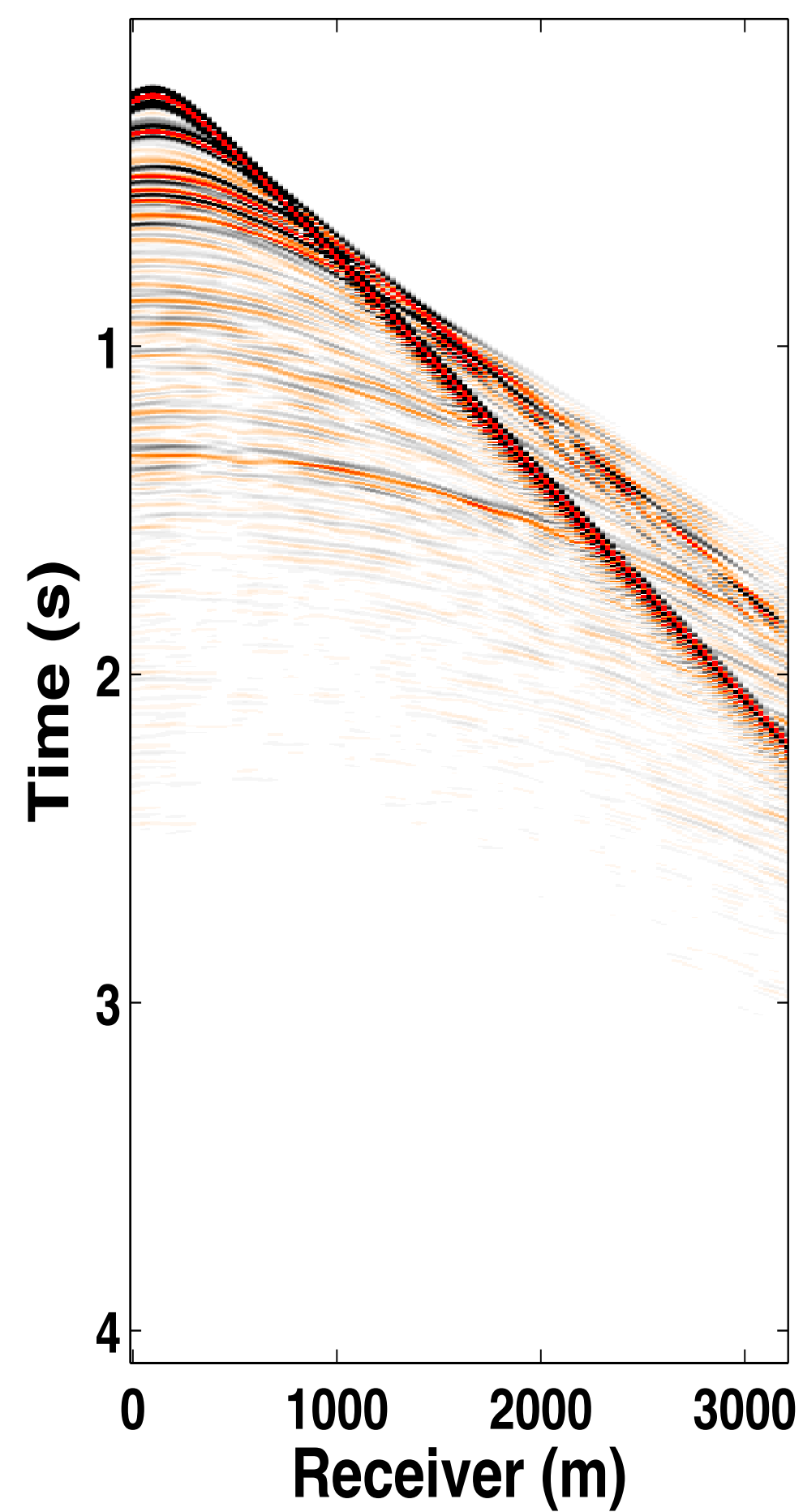
blended shot

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source 1

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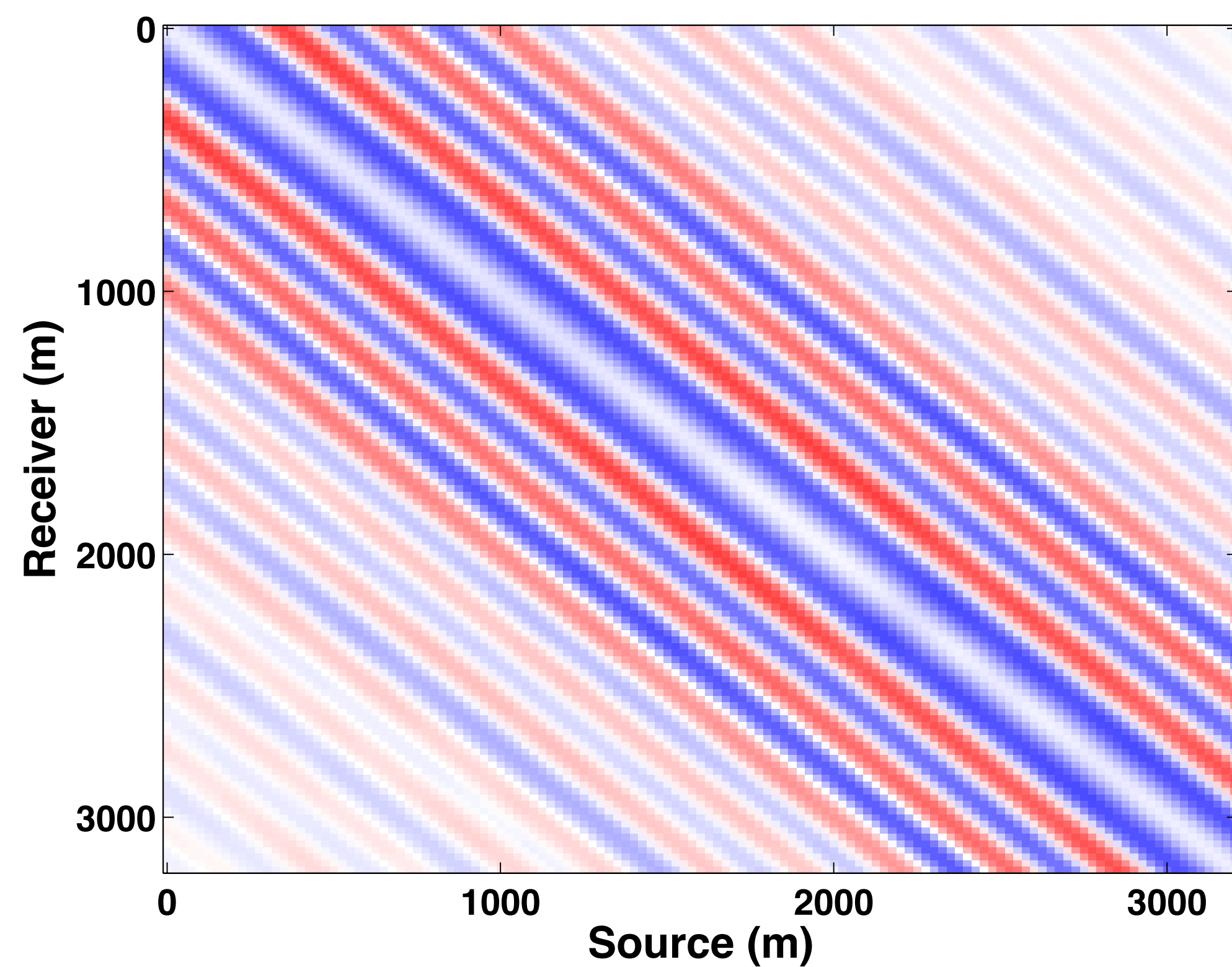
source 2



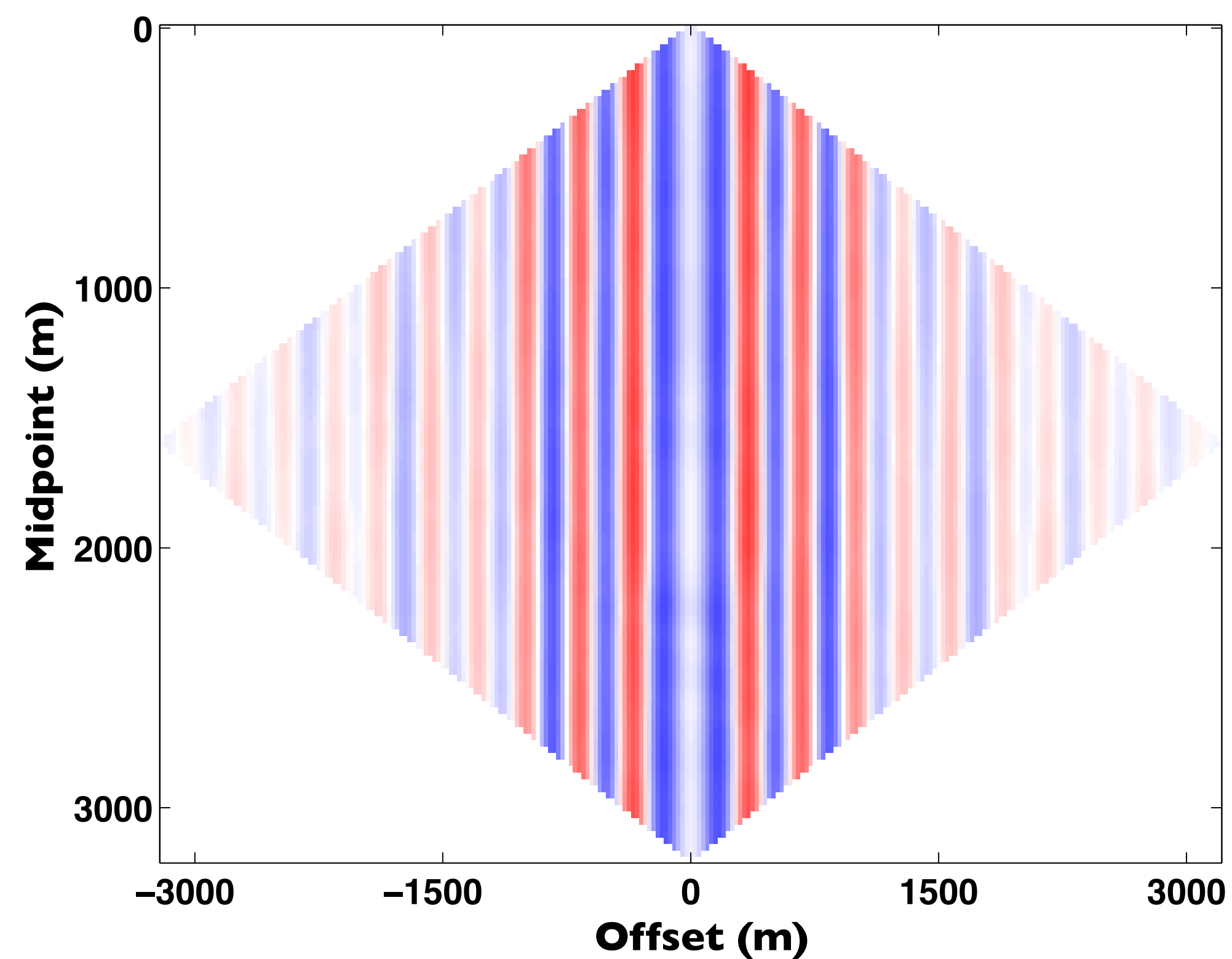
In which domain?

frequency slice at 5 Hz

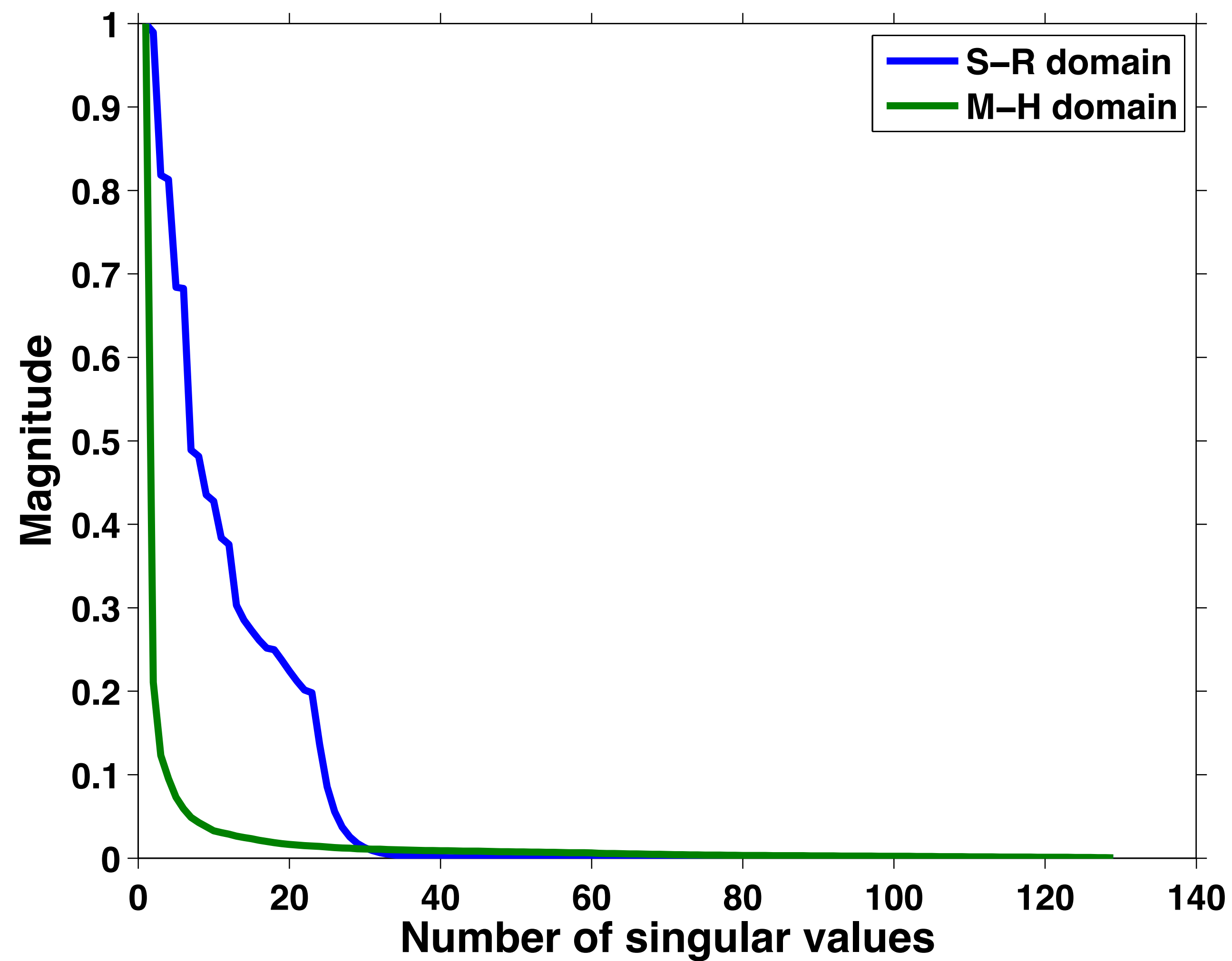
source-receiver domain



midpoint-offset domain



Decay of singular values



**low-rank in
midpoint-offset
domain**

Sampling scheme

sample to *break* the structure

random time delays break the structure

Blended data (w/o delay)

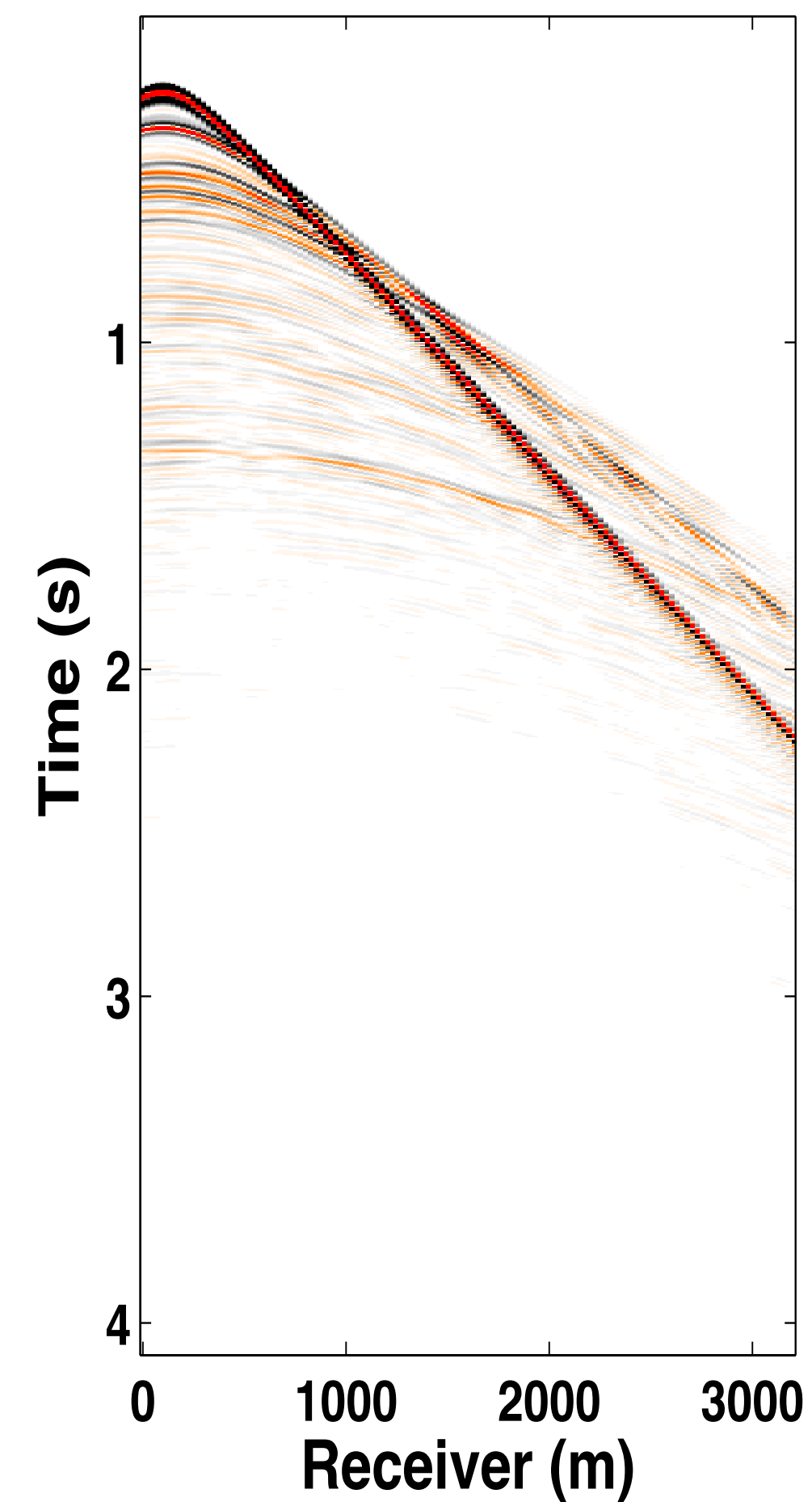
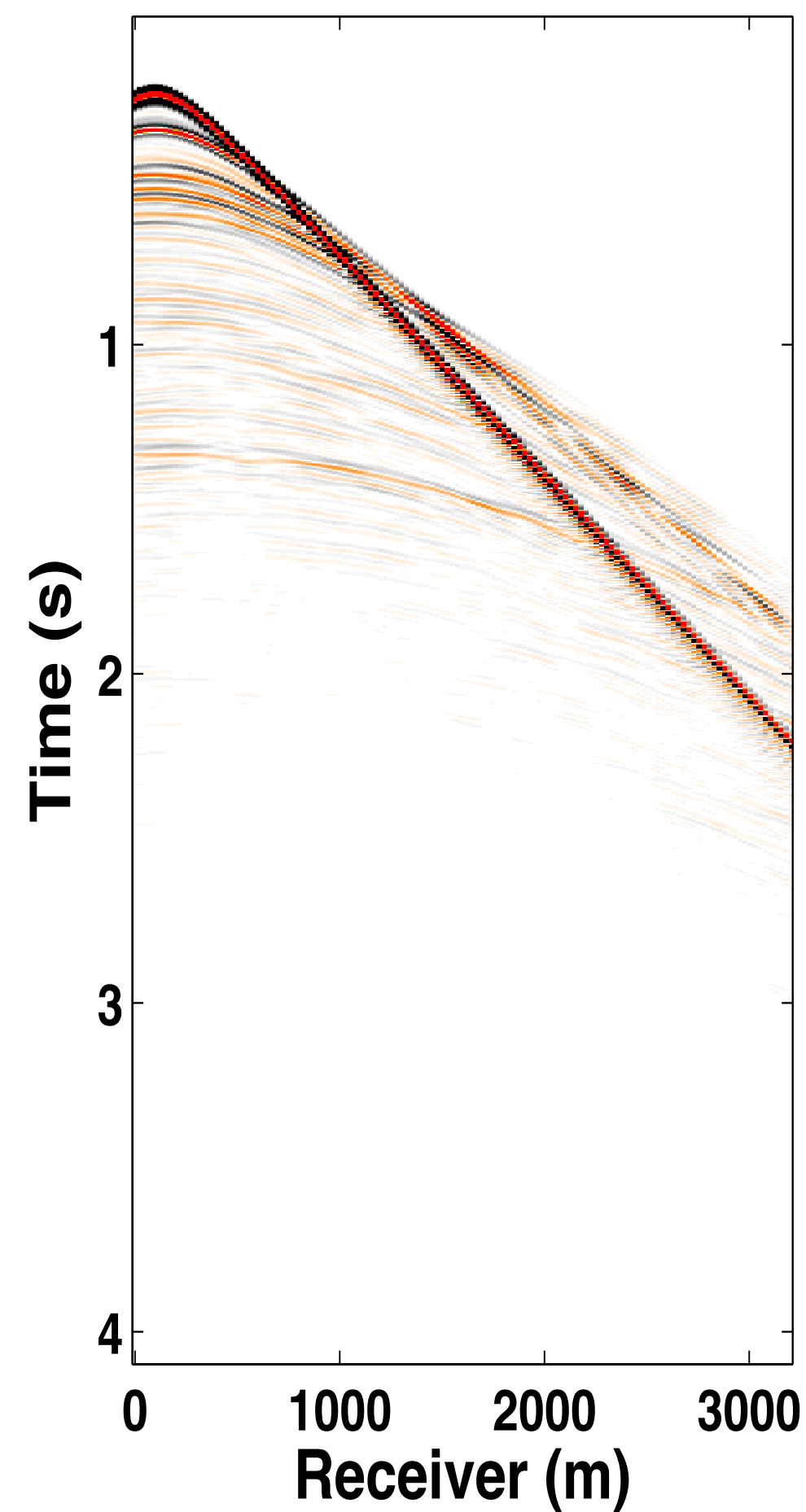
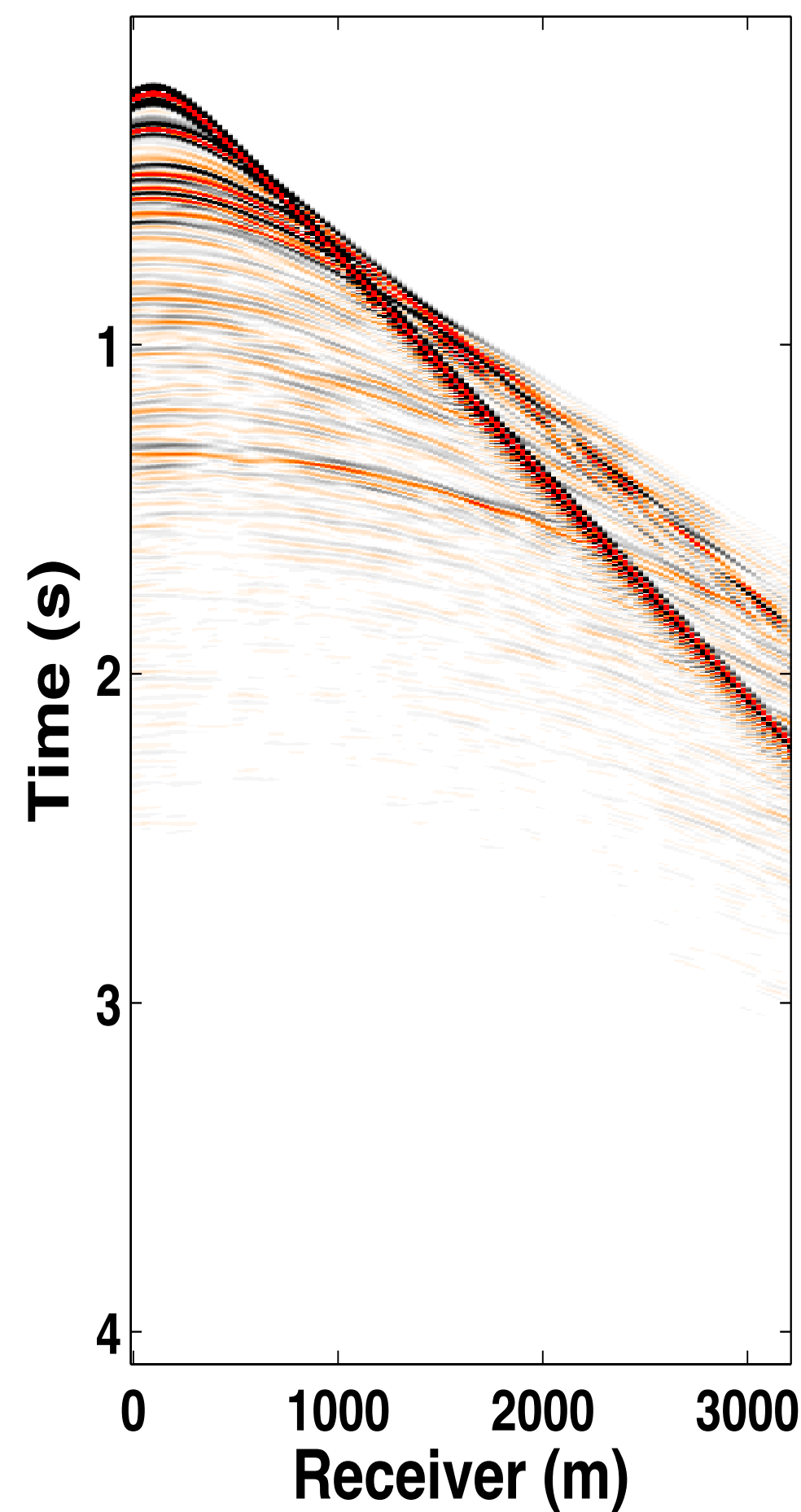
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source 1

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Blended data (w/ delay)

- random time delays applied to source 2

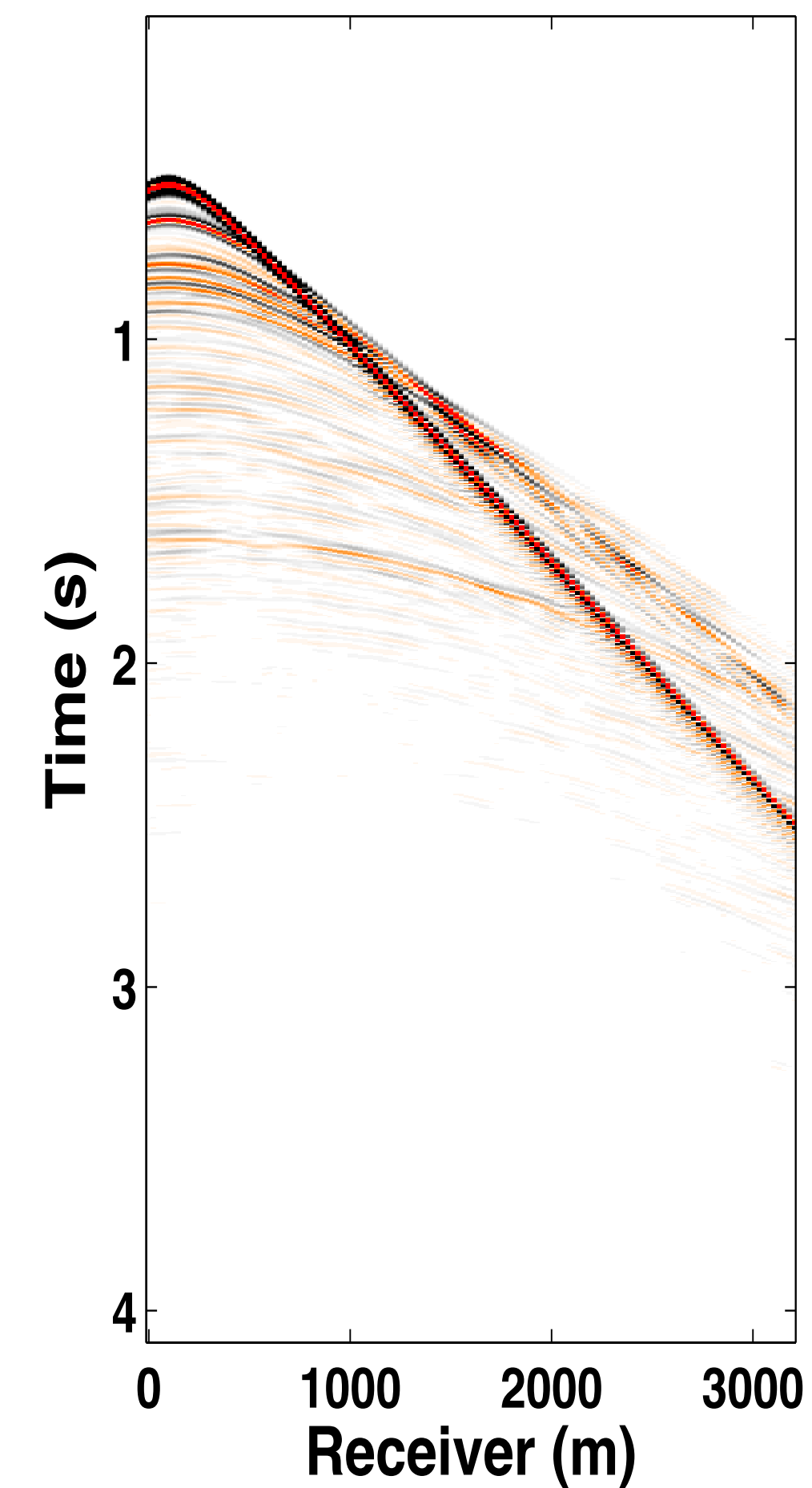
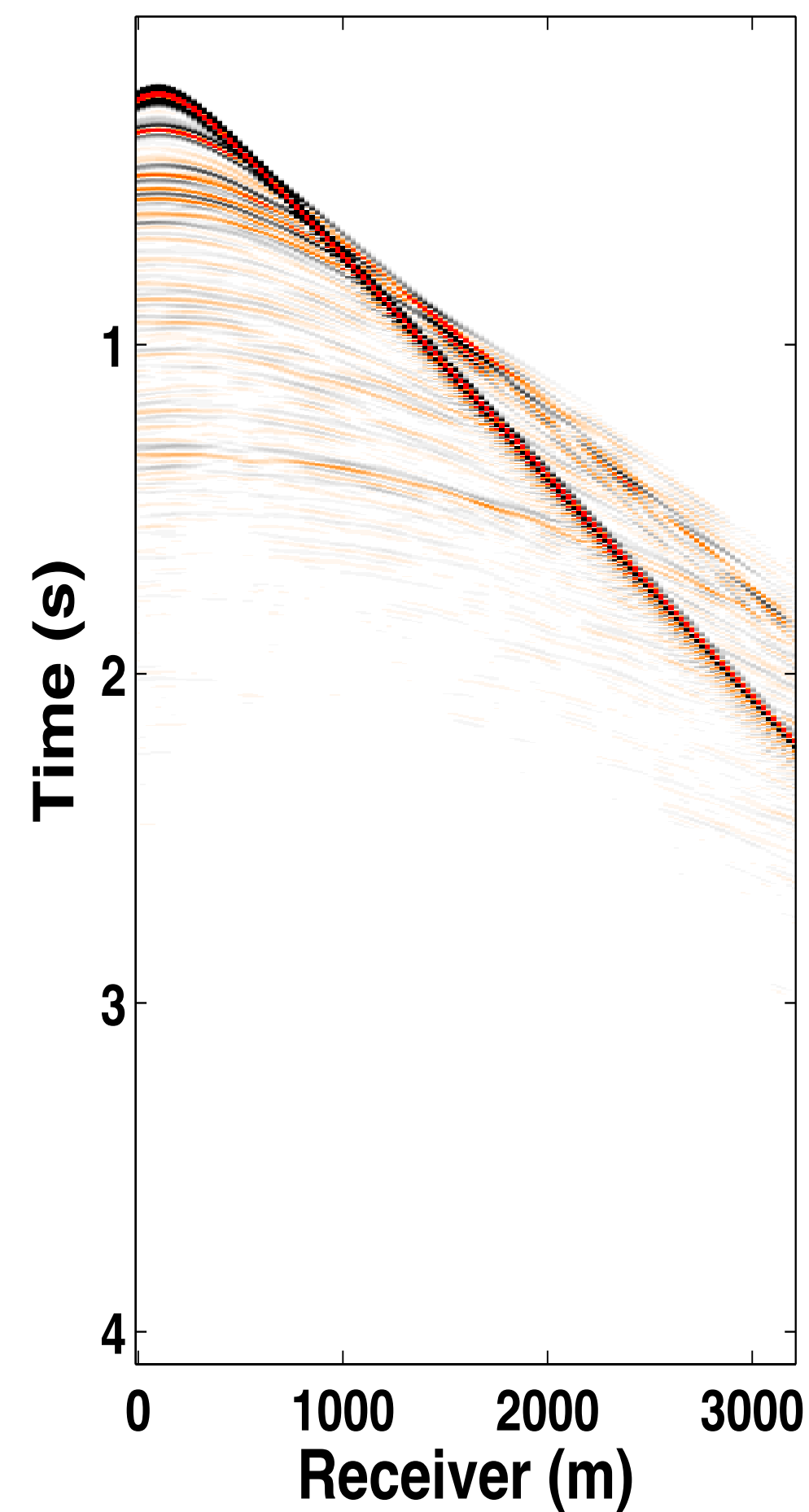
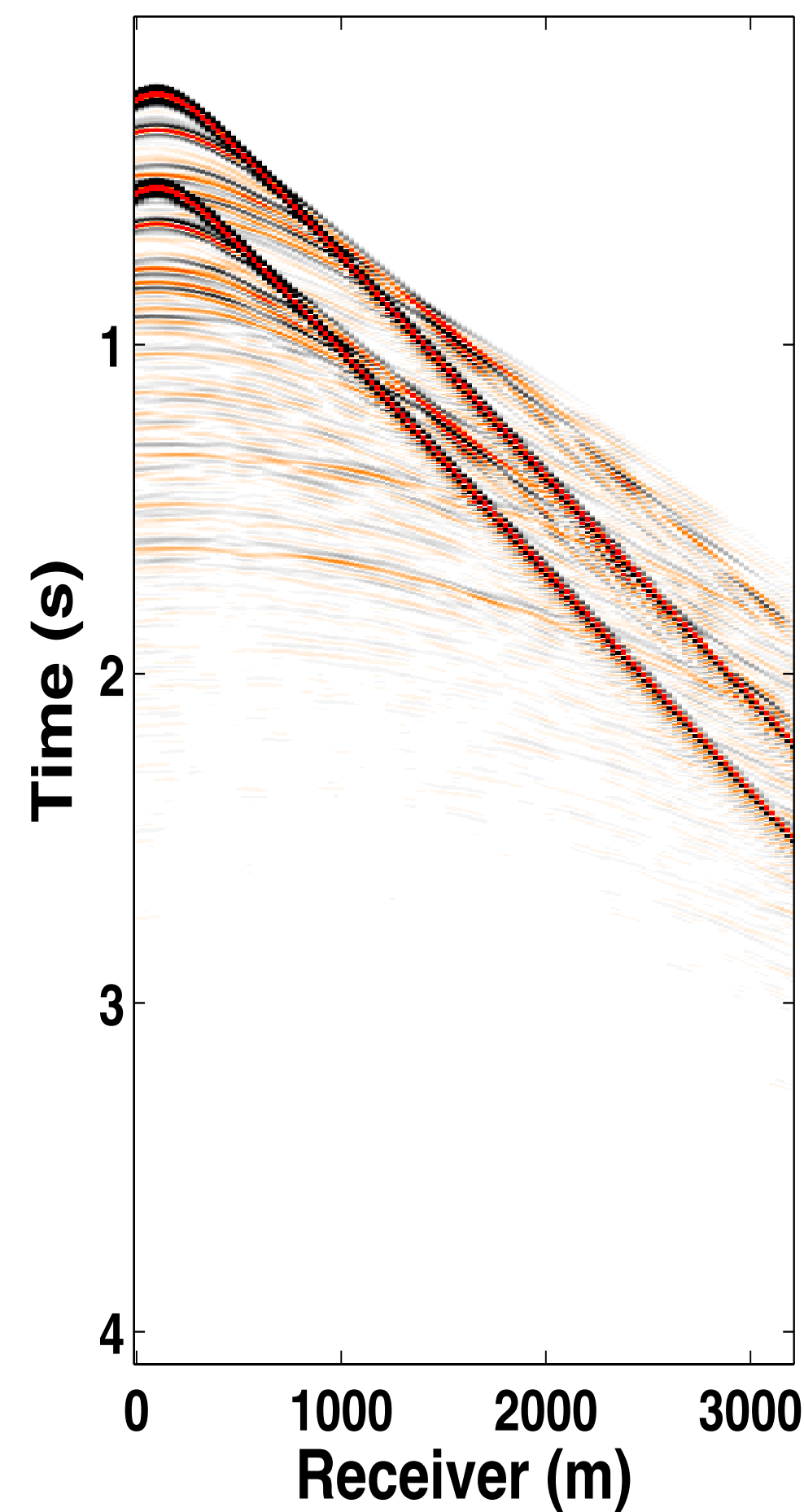
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source 1

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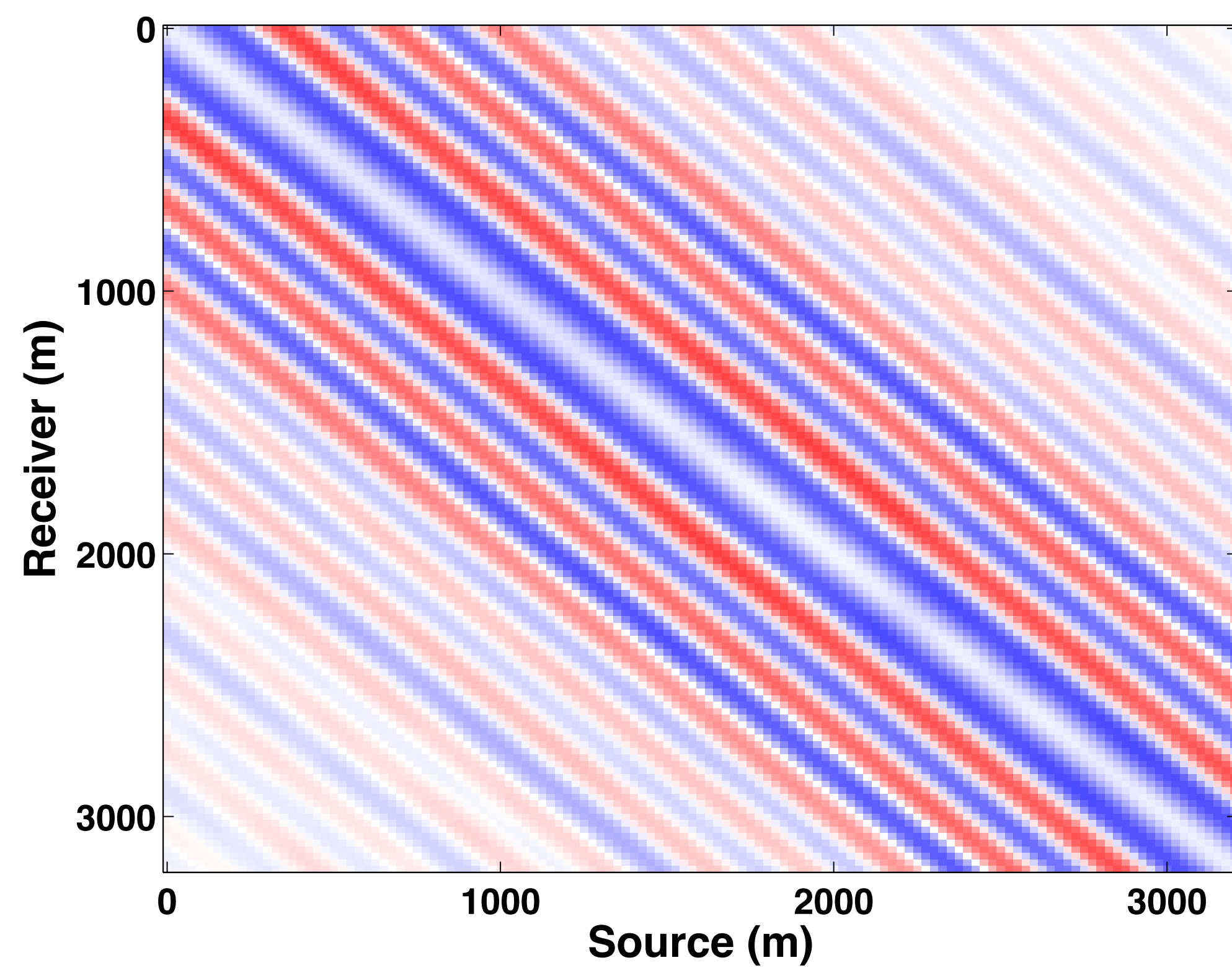
source 2
(time-delayed)



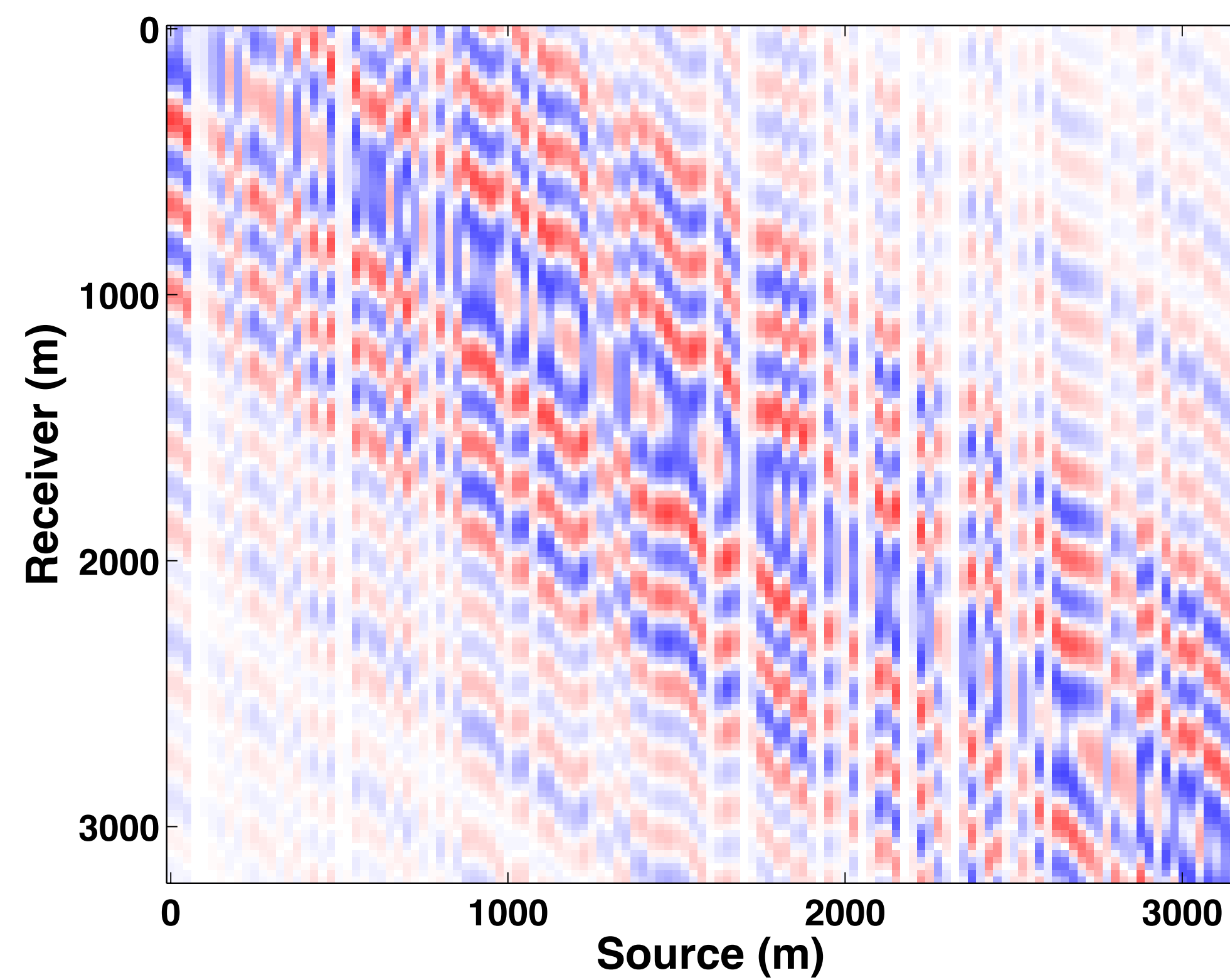
Source-receiver domain

frequency slice at 5 Hz

without delay



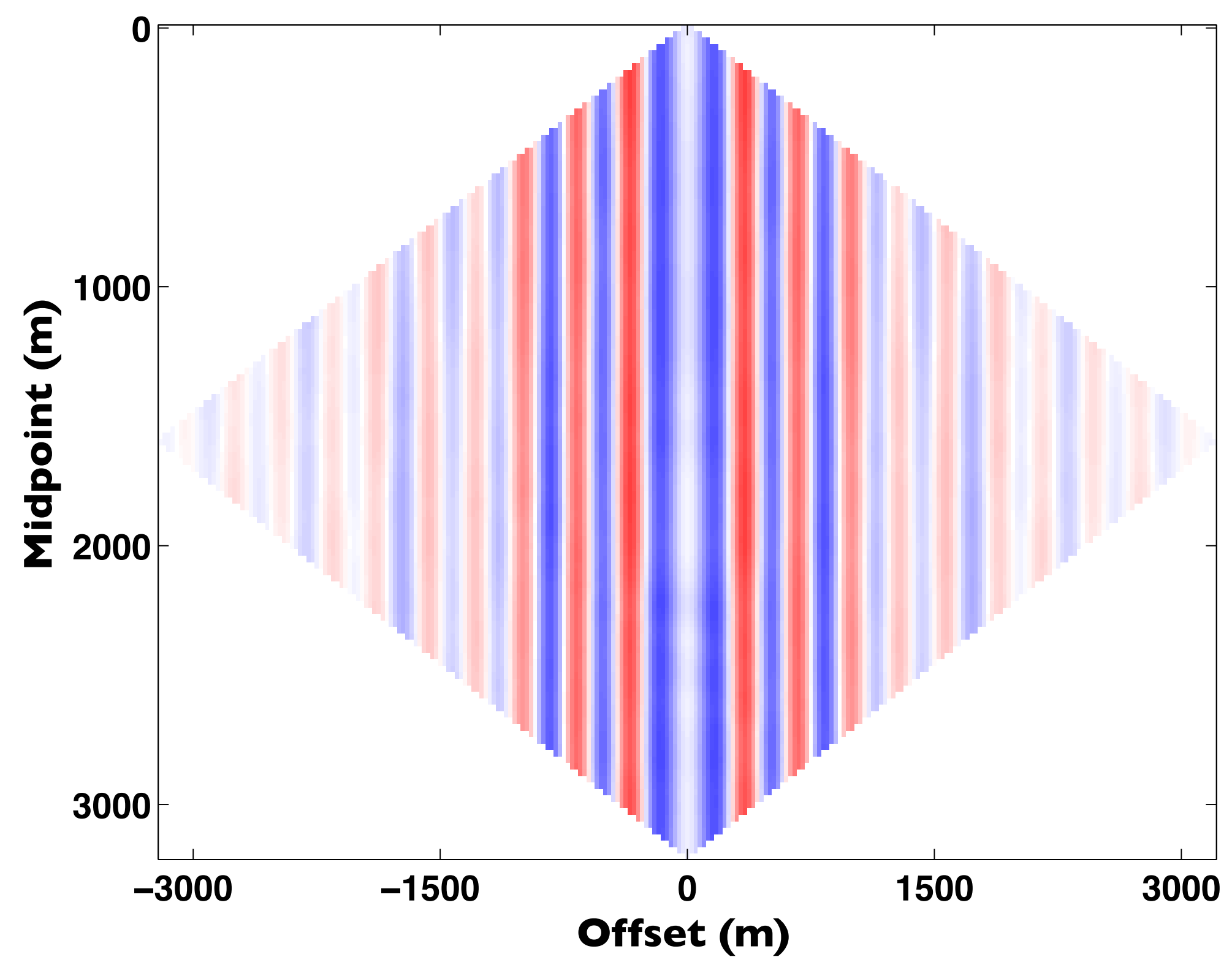
with delay



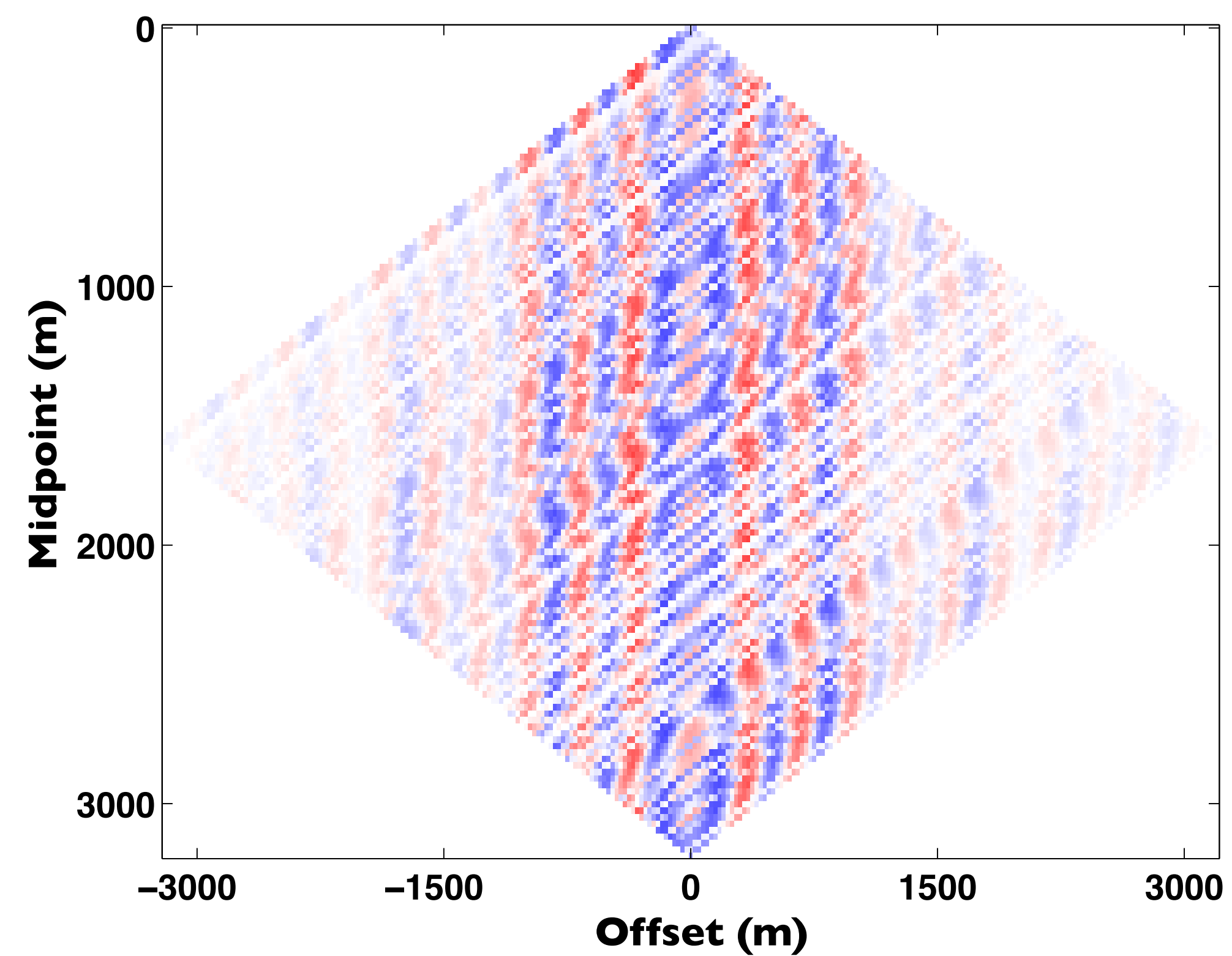
Midpoint-offset domain

frequency slice at 5 Hz

without delay

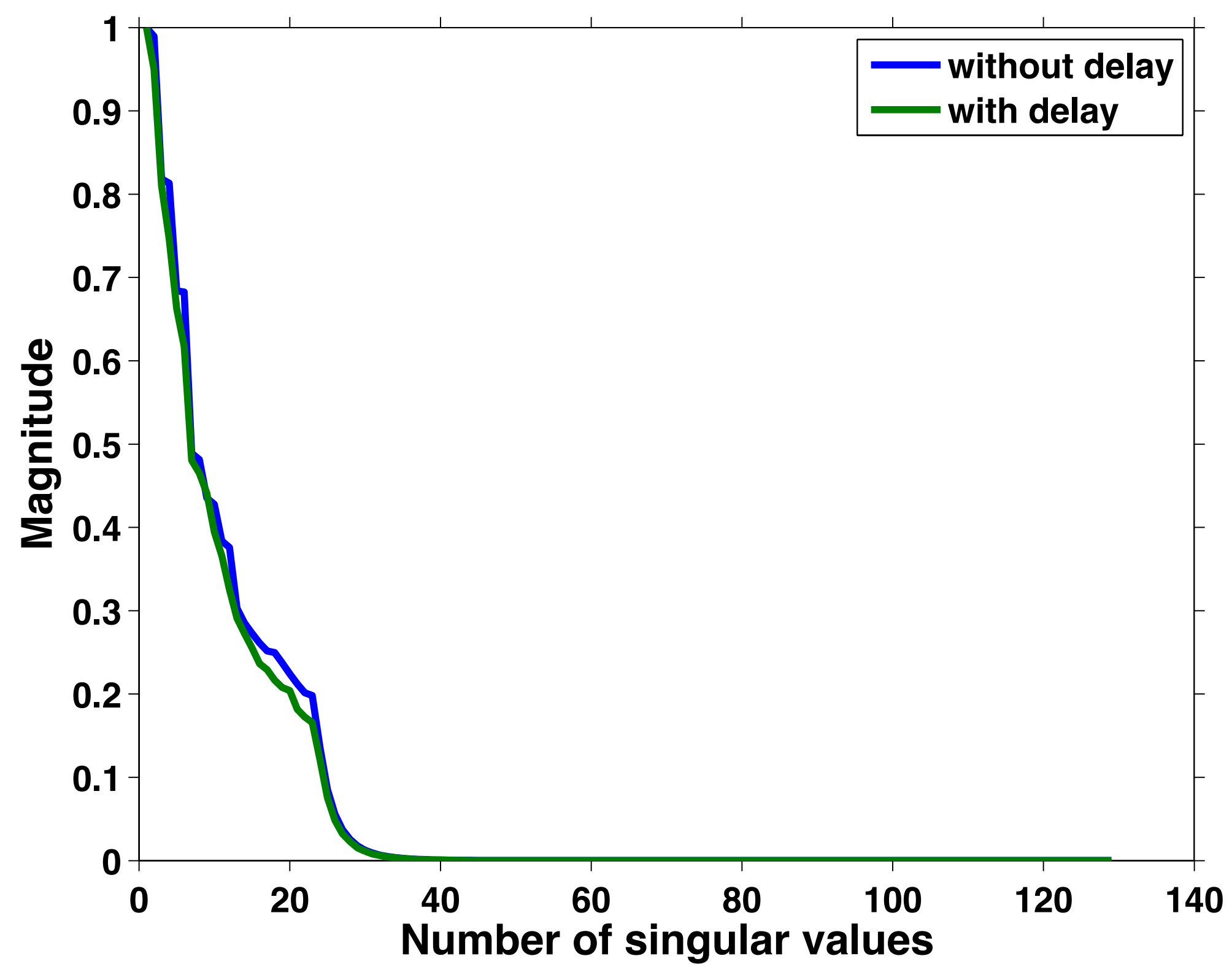


with delay

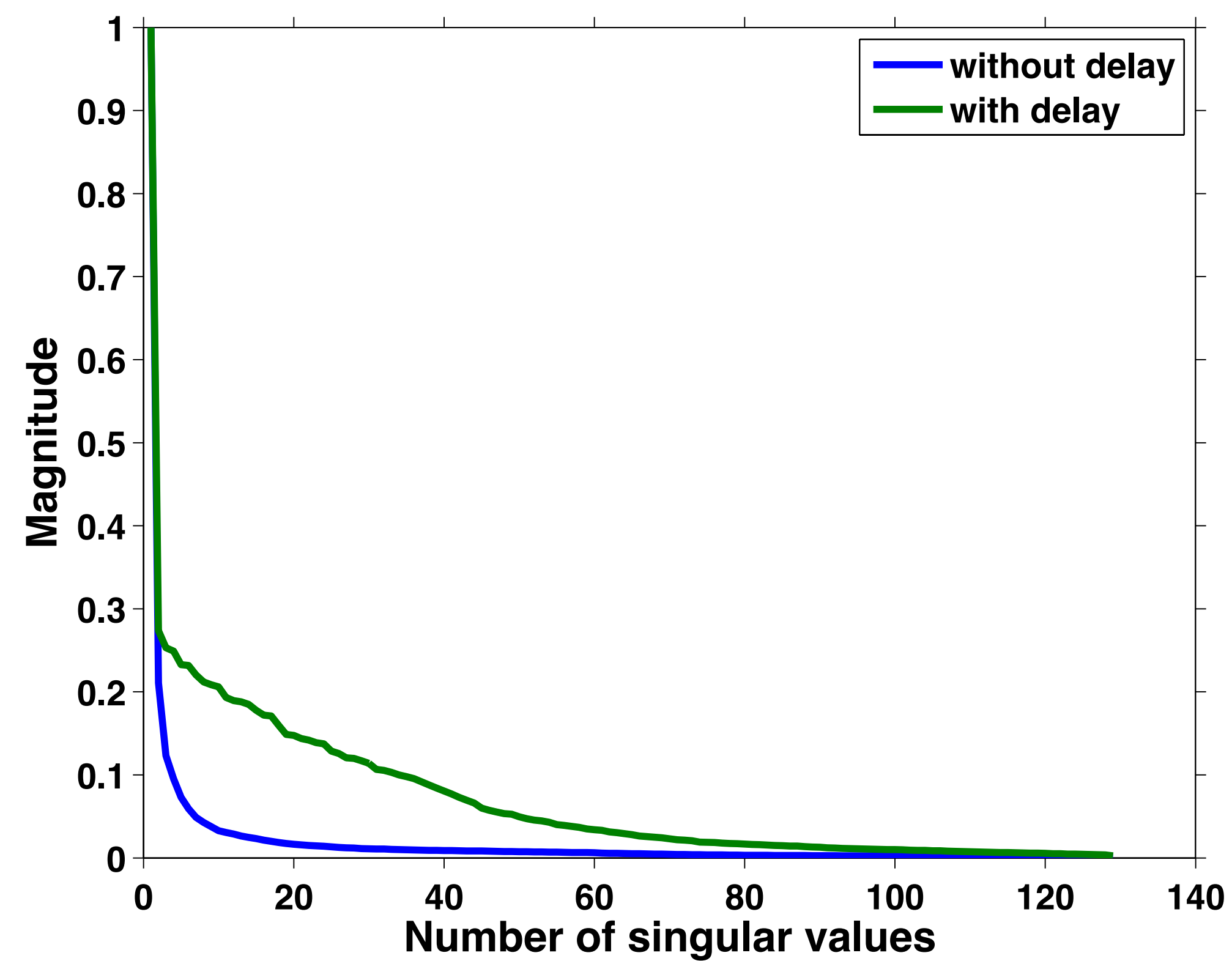


Decay of singular values

source-receiver domain

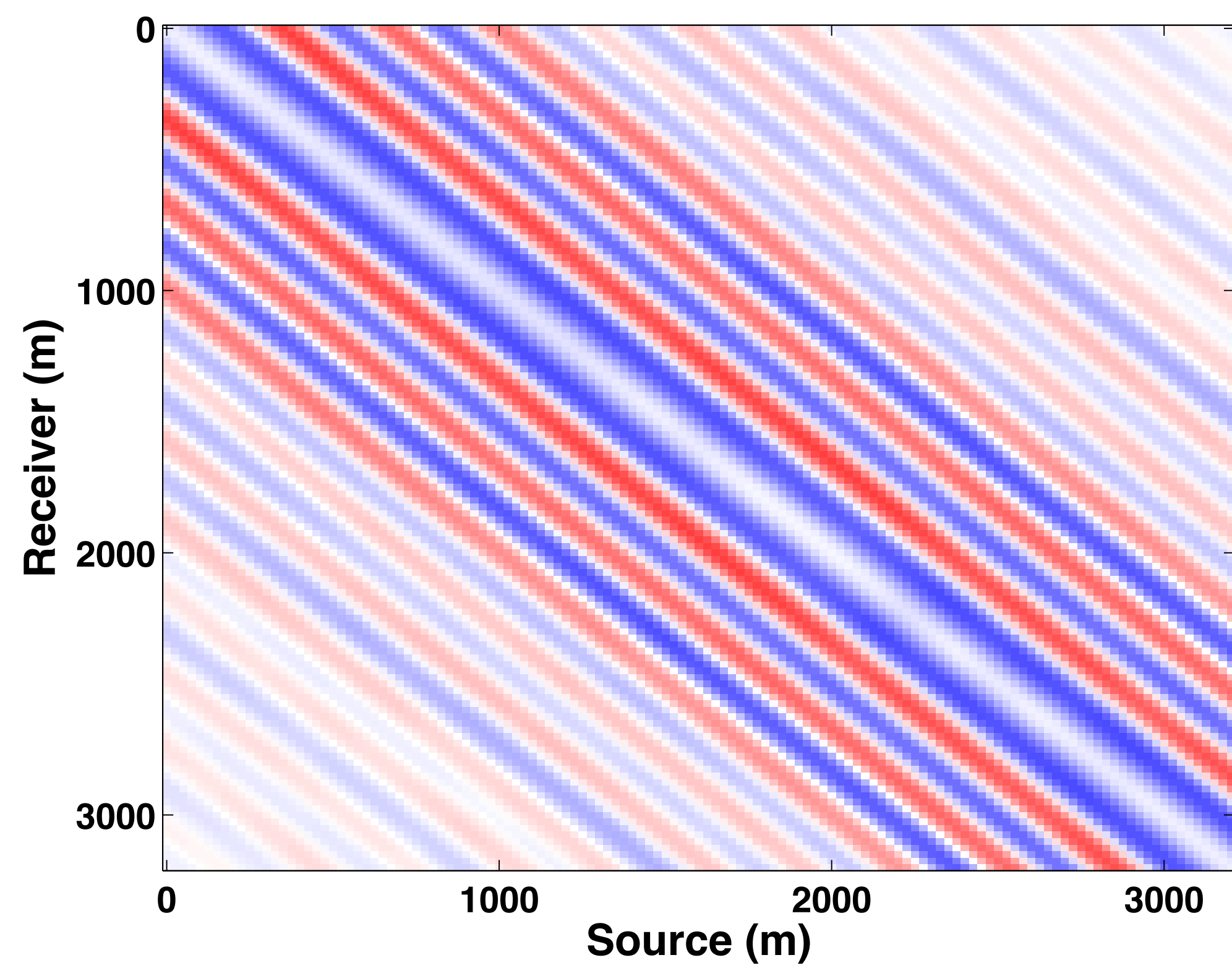


midpoint-offset domain

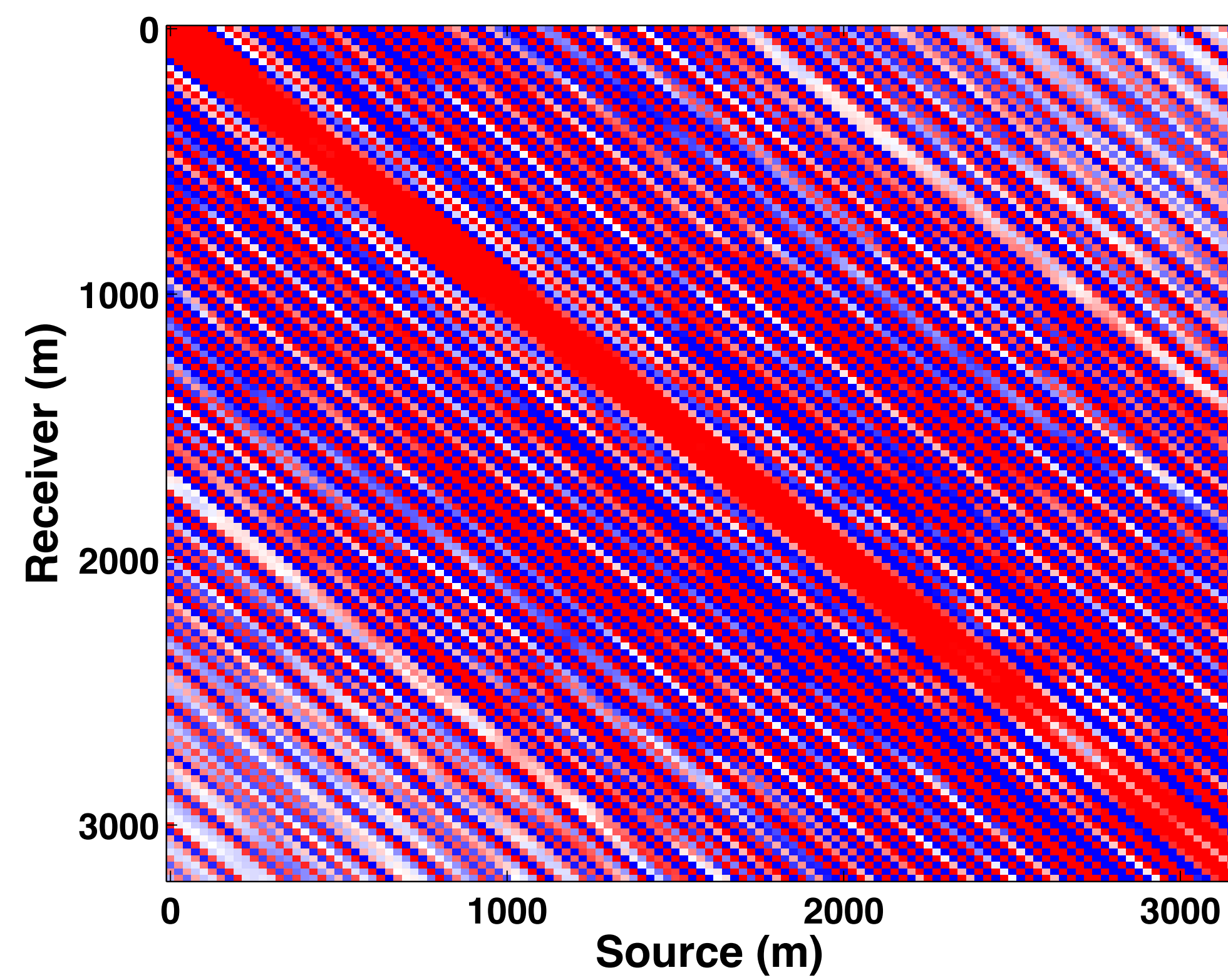


Are high frequencies low-rank?

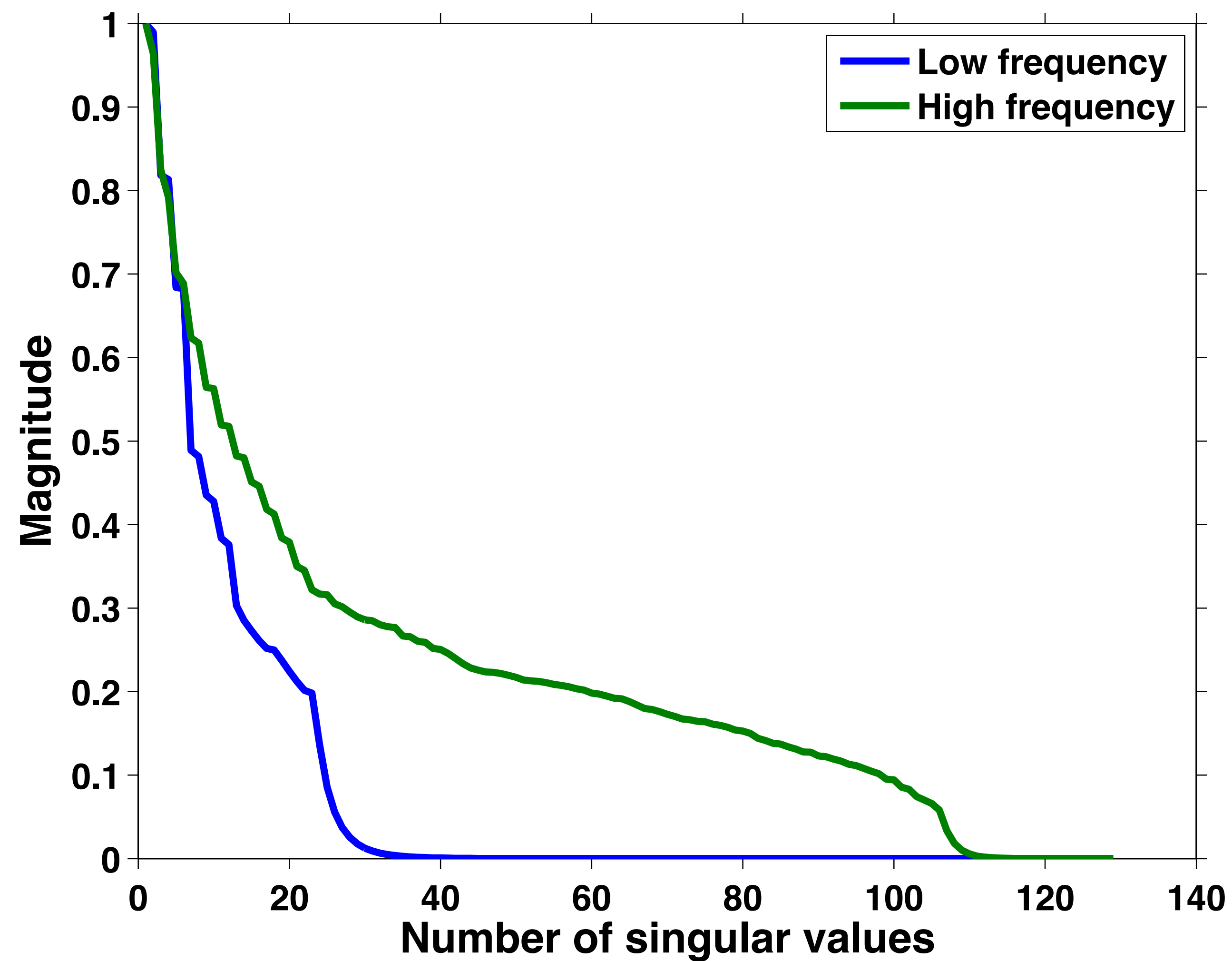
low frequency



high frequency



Decay of singular values



**high frequencies
do NOT have
low-rank structure**

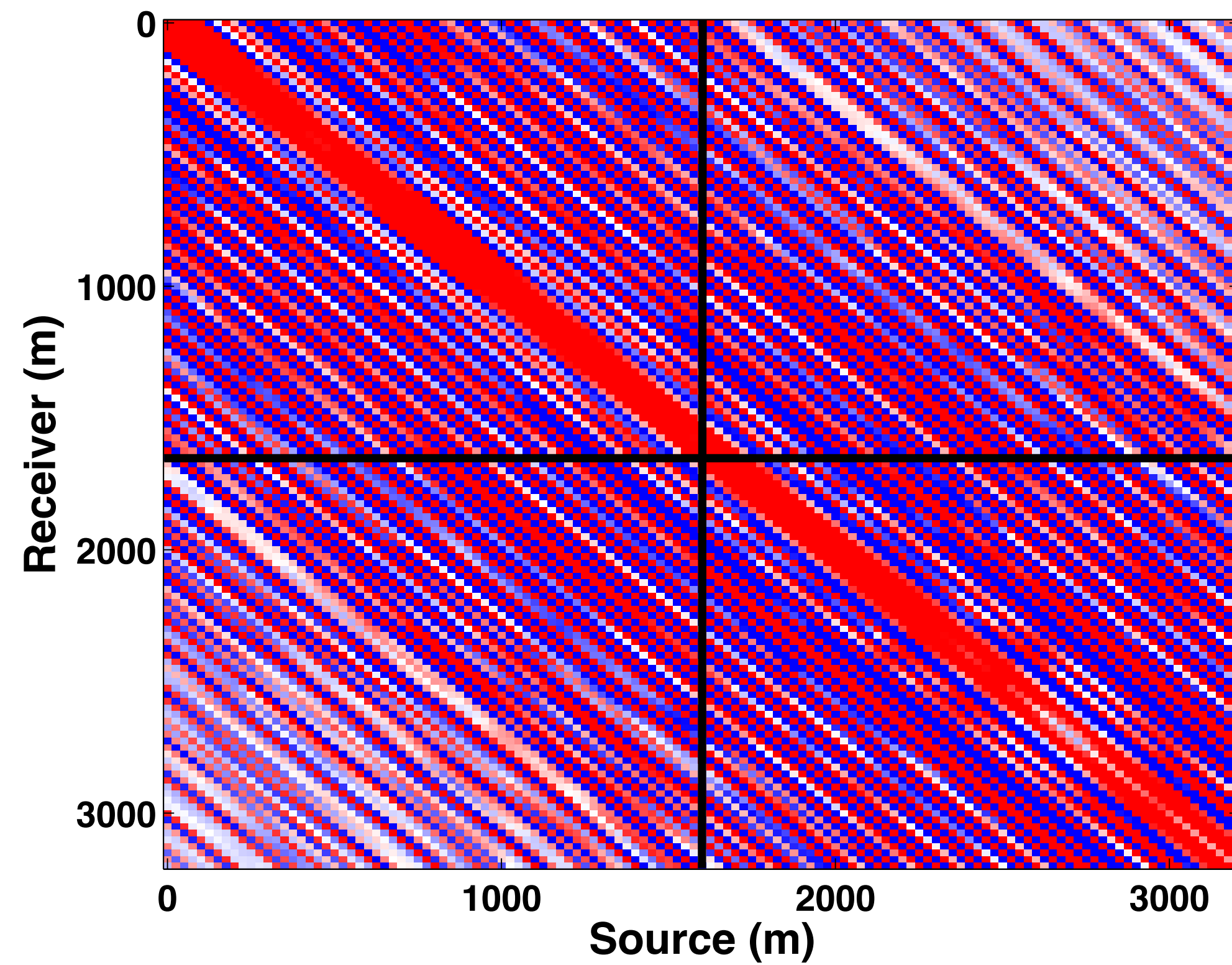
Hierarchical semi-separable (HSS) representation

HSS representation

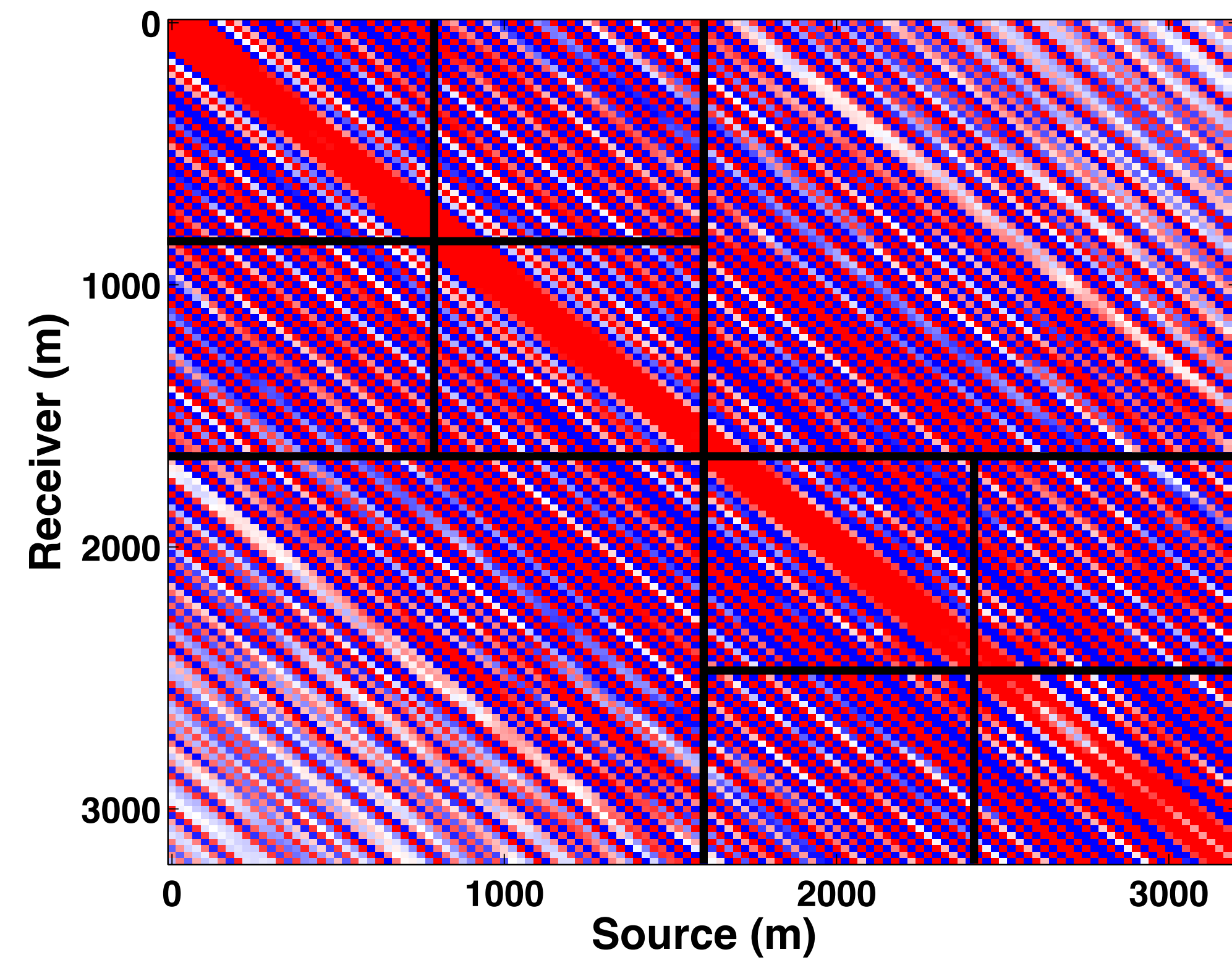
[Chandrasekaran, et. al., 2006]

off-diagonals are low-rank

level - 1



level - 2

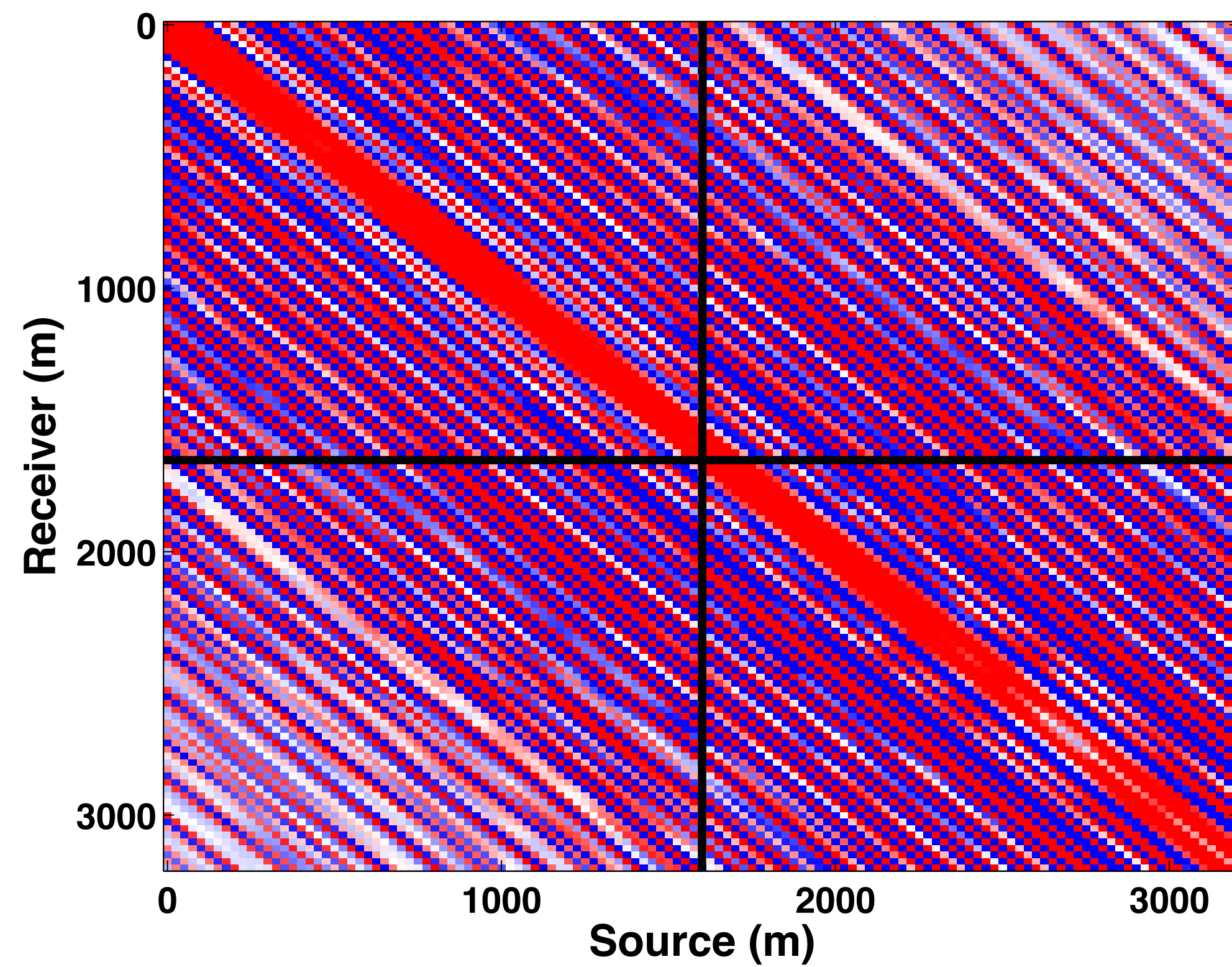


HSS representation

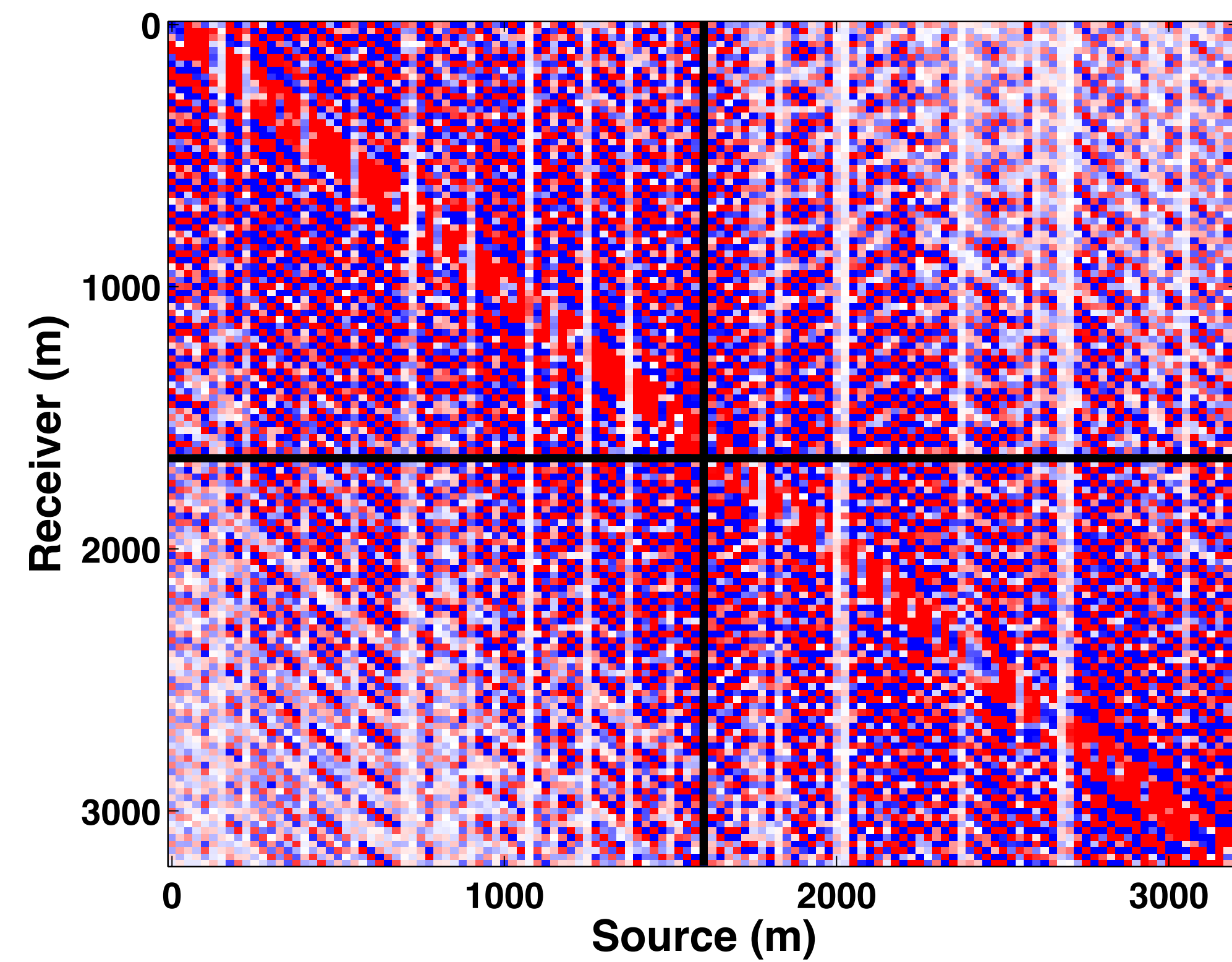
[Chandrasekaran, et. al., 2006]

level - 1 (applied)

without delay



with delay



Rank-minimization

Nuclear norm-minimization

Factorized formulation (“*SVD-free*”)

Rank-minimization

$$\min_{\mathbf{X}} \text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) - \mathbf{b}\|_2 \leq \epsilon$$



number of singular values of \mathbf{X}

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for blended acquisition:

\mathbf{b} : blended data

$$\mathcal{A} := \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}\mathbf{S}^H & \mathbf{M}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{S}^H \end{bmatrix}$$

↑
time delay matrix

unblended data matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1 \\ \mathbf{X}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \longleftarrow \text{source 1} \\ \longleftarrow \text{source 2} \end{array}$$

Rank-minimization

expensive
(search over all possible values of rank)

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Nuclear norm-minimization

convex relaxation of rank-minimization

[Recht, et. al., 2010]

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sum of singular values of \mathbf{X}

however ...
requires repeated application of SVD

Factorized formulation (“SVD-free”)

[Rennie and Srebro, 2005; Lee et. al., 2010; Recht and Re, 2011]

$$\boxed{\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}} = \boxed{\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \boxed{\mathbf{R}^H \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}}$$

Upper-bound on nuclear norm:

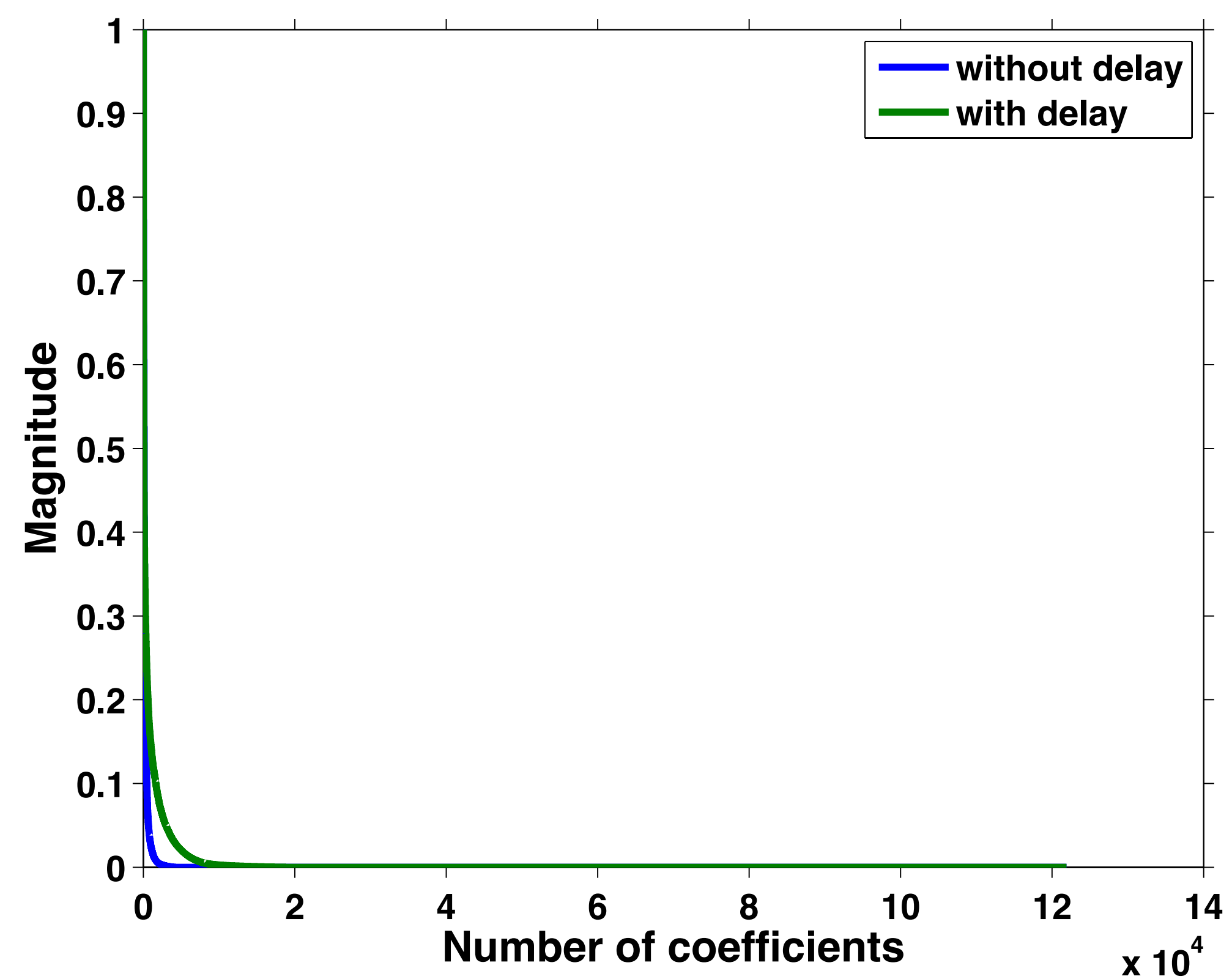
$$\|\mathbf{X}\|_* \leq \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_1 \\ \mathbf{R}_1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_F^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}_2 \\ \mathbf{R}_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_F^2 =: \Phi(\mathbf{L}_1, \mathbf{R}_1, \mathbf{L}_2, \mathbf{R}_2)$$

Sparsity-promotion

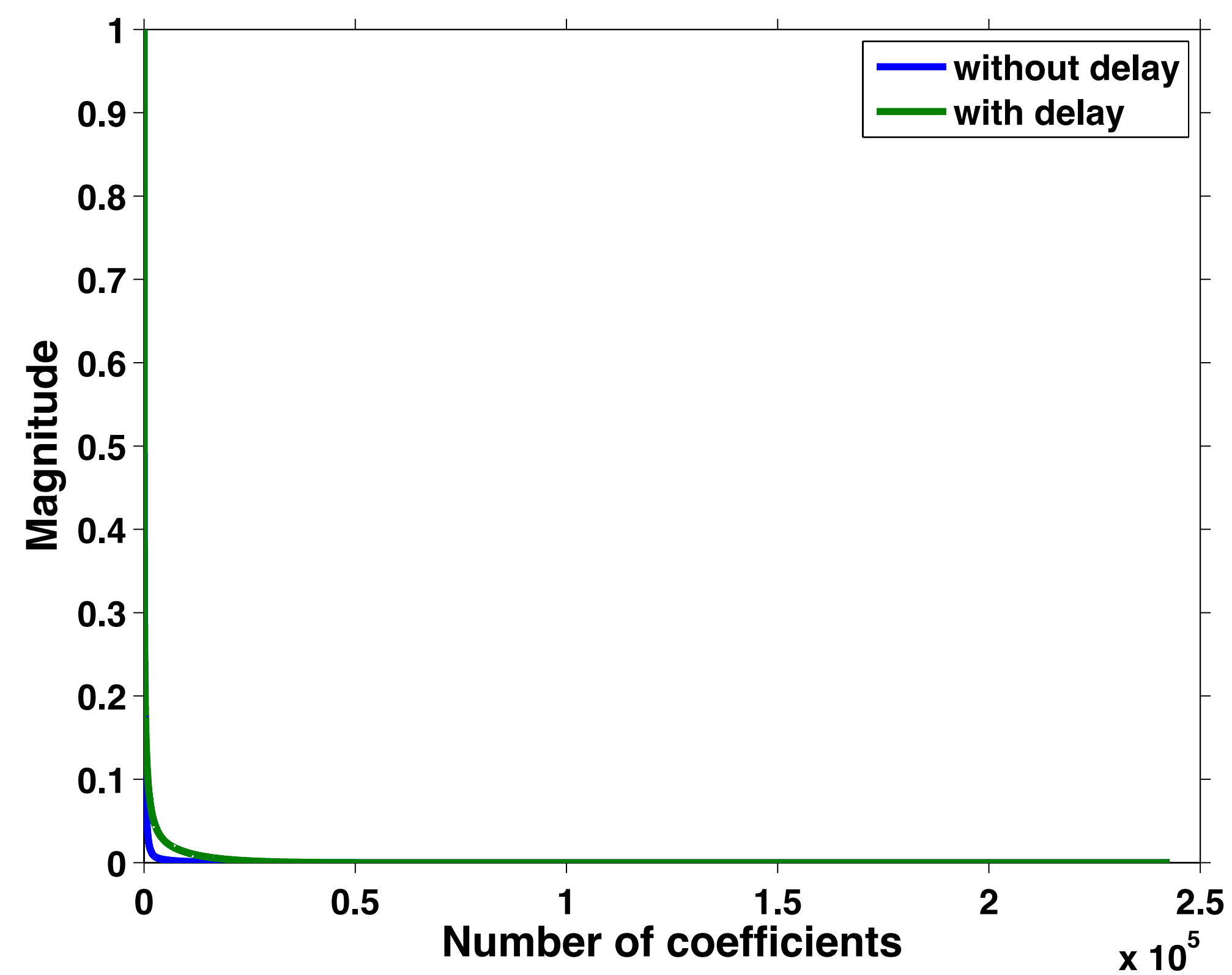
one norm-minimization

Decay of curvelet coefficients

source-receiver domain



midpoint-offset domain

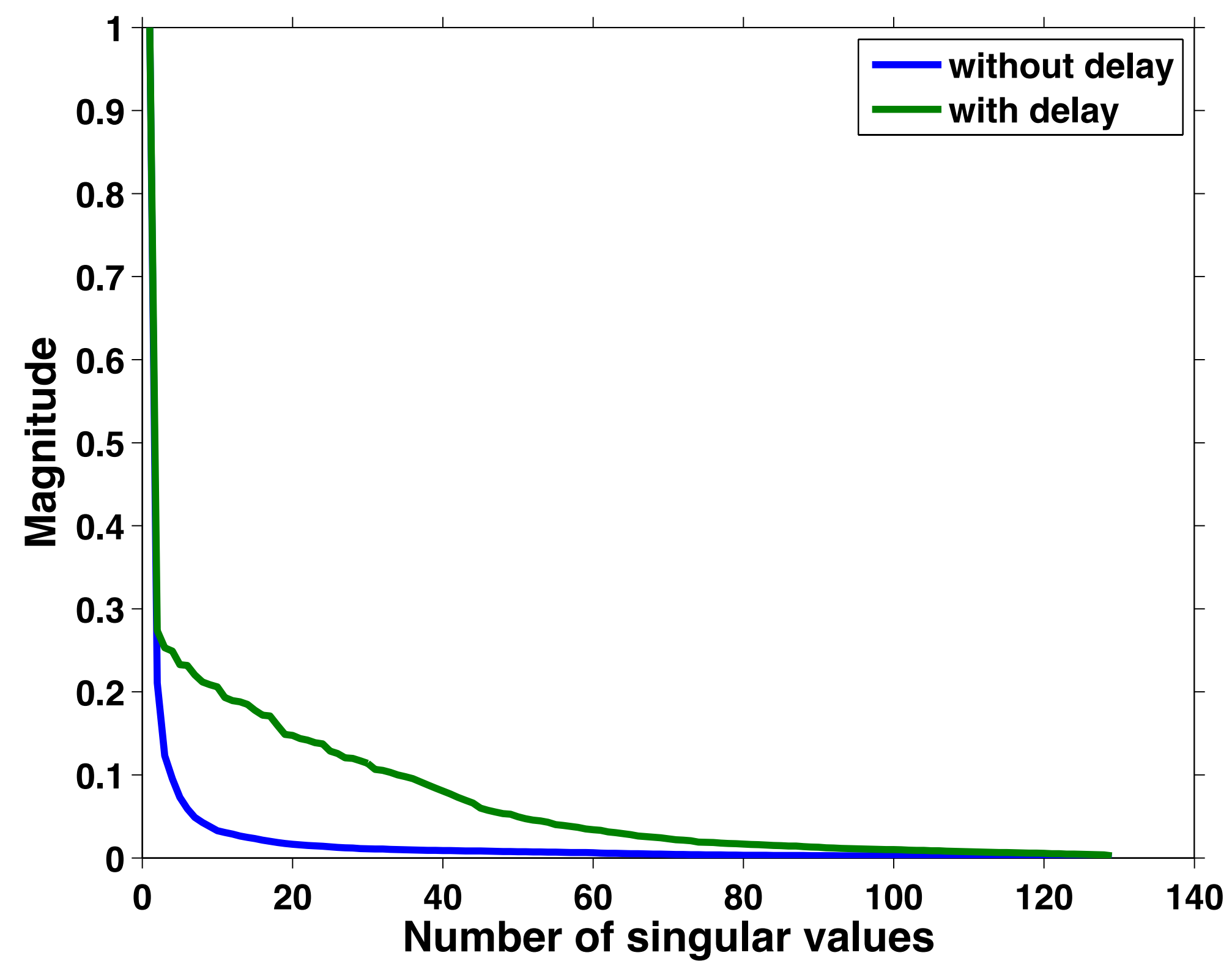


Source separation results

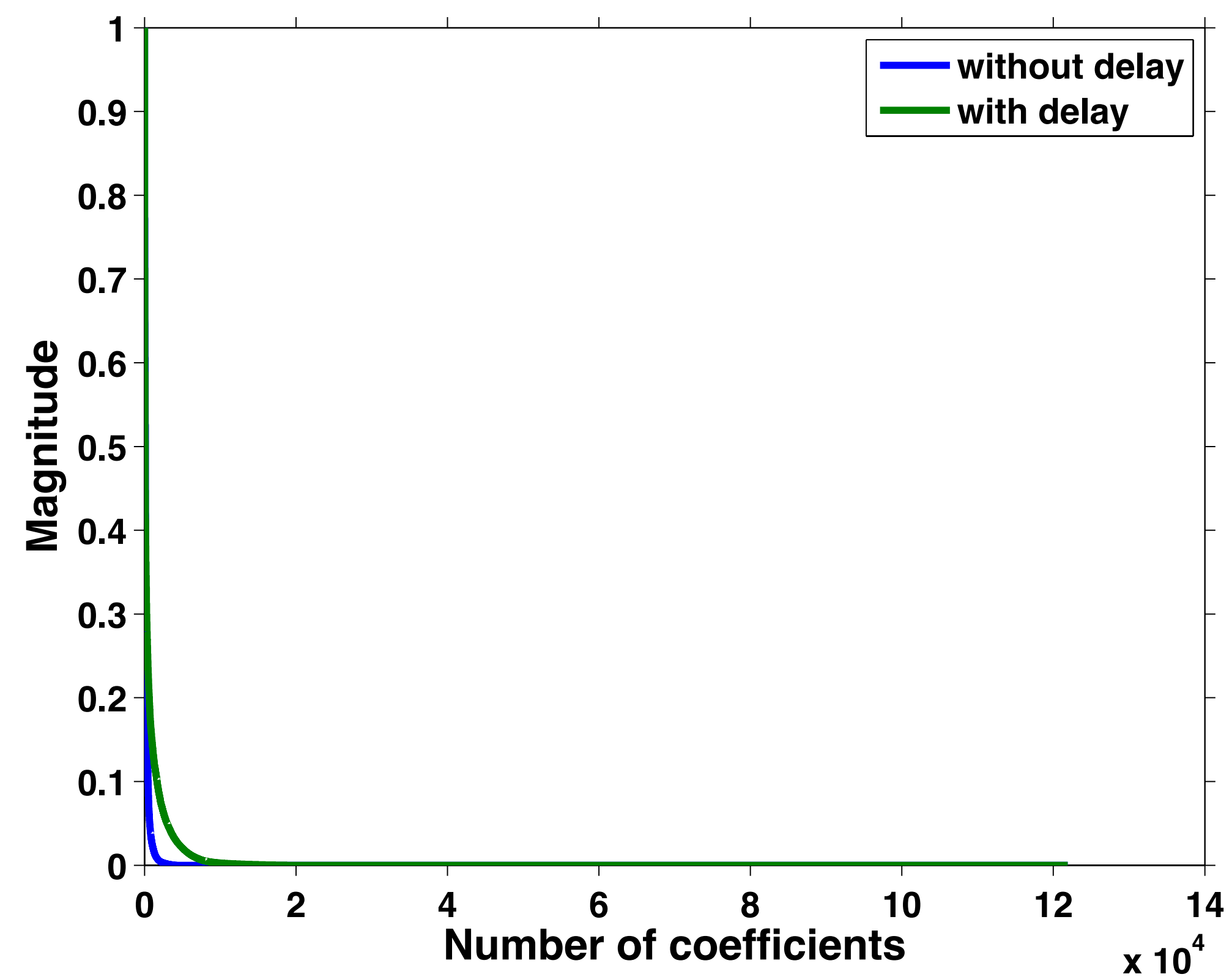
Rank-minimization vs. sparsity-promotion

Rank vs. sparsity

rank-minimization
(midpoint-offset domain)



sparsity-promotion
(source-receiver domain)



Blended data (w/ delay)

- random time delays applied to source 2

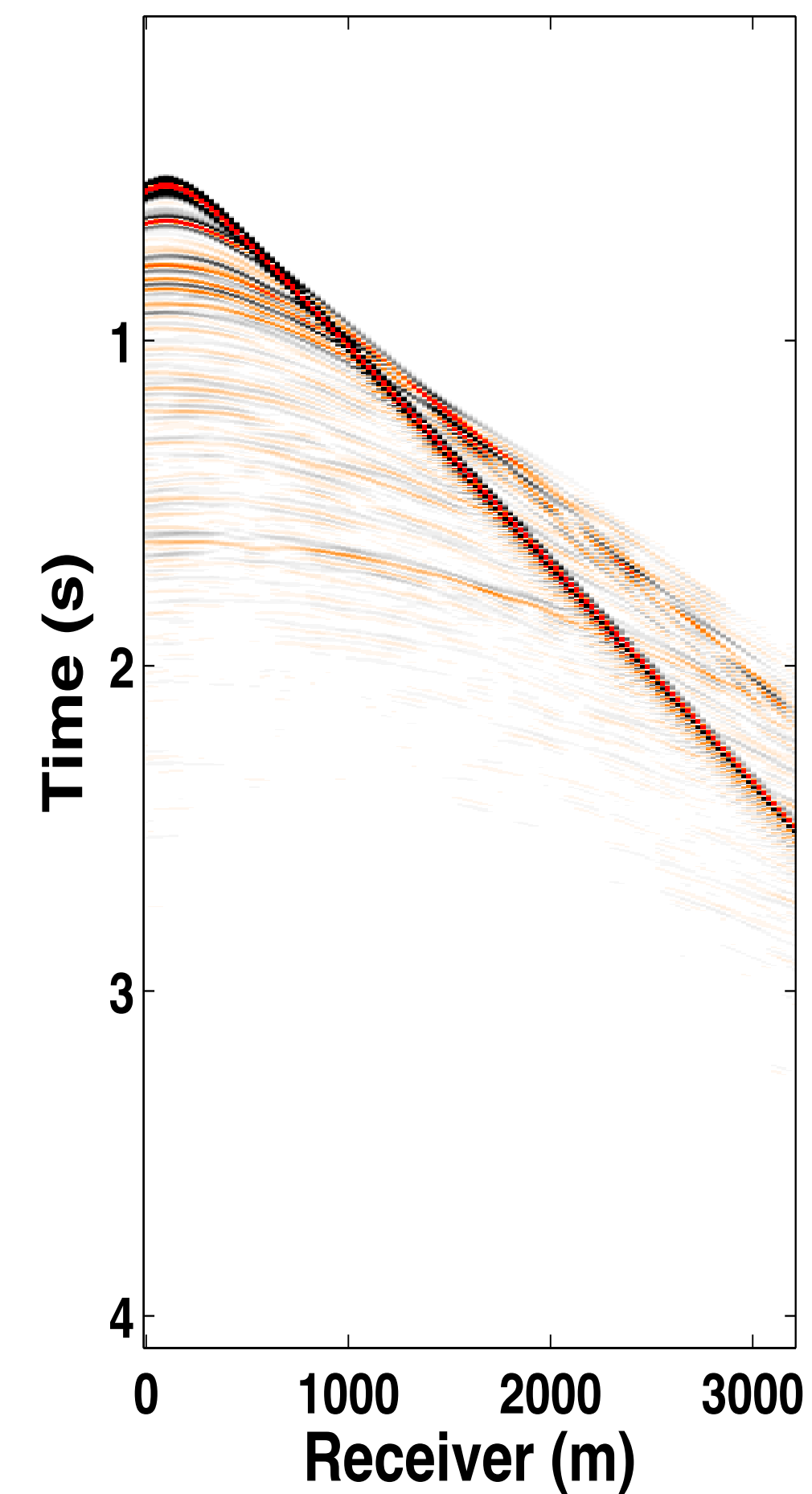
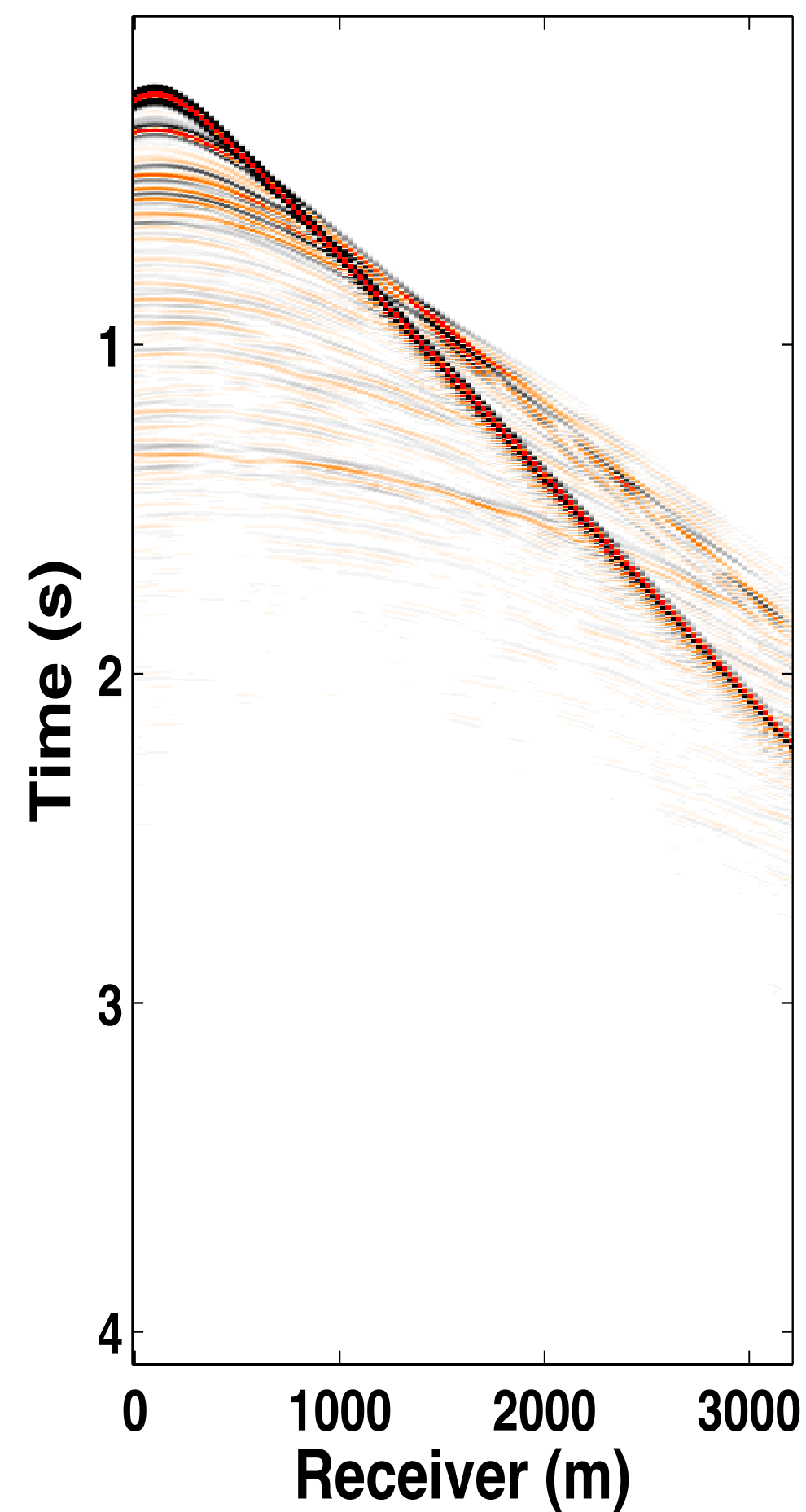
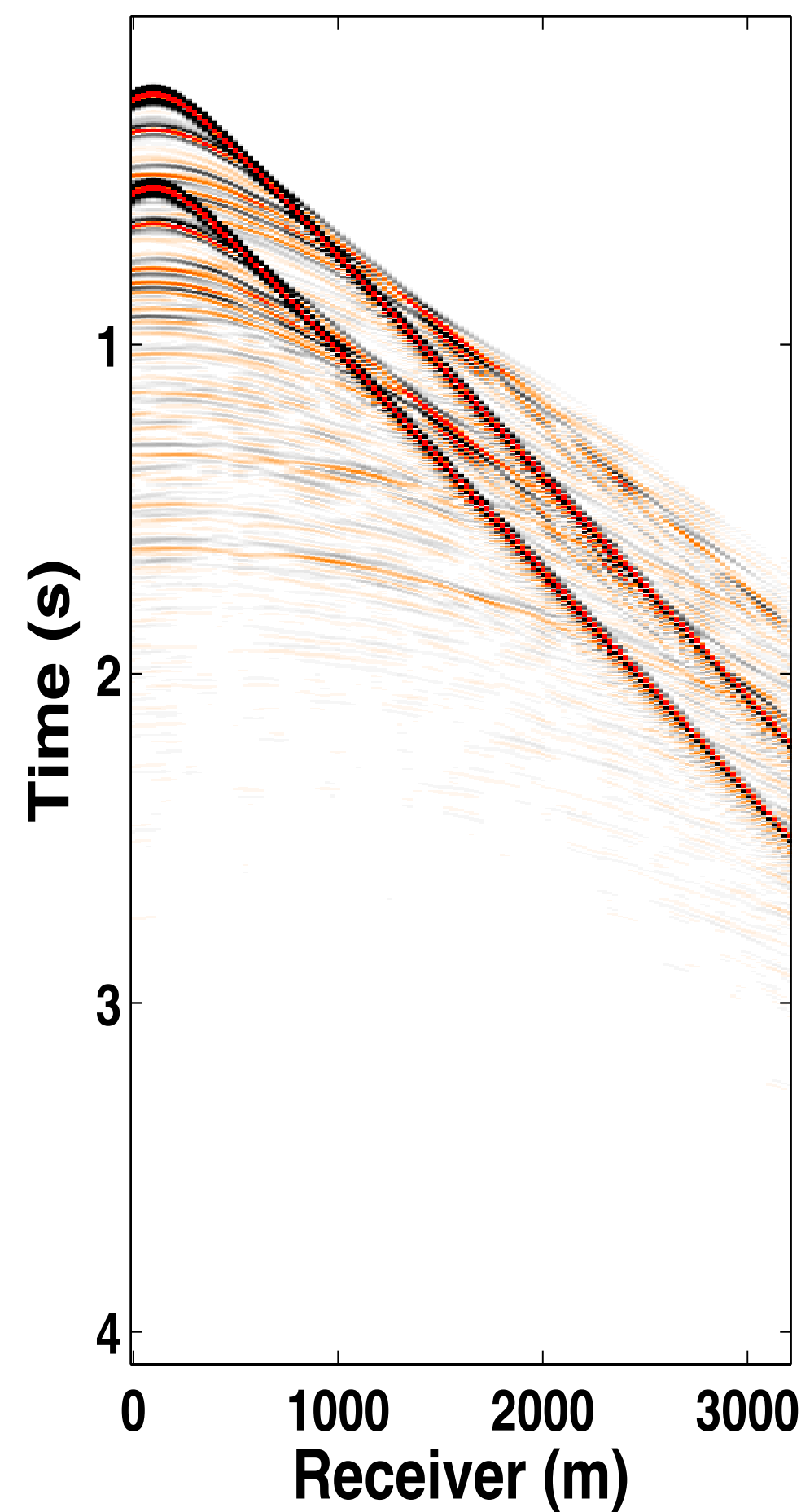
blended shot

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source 1

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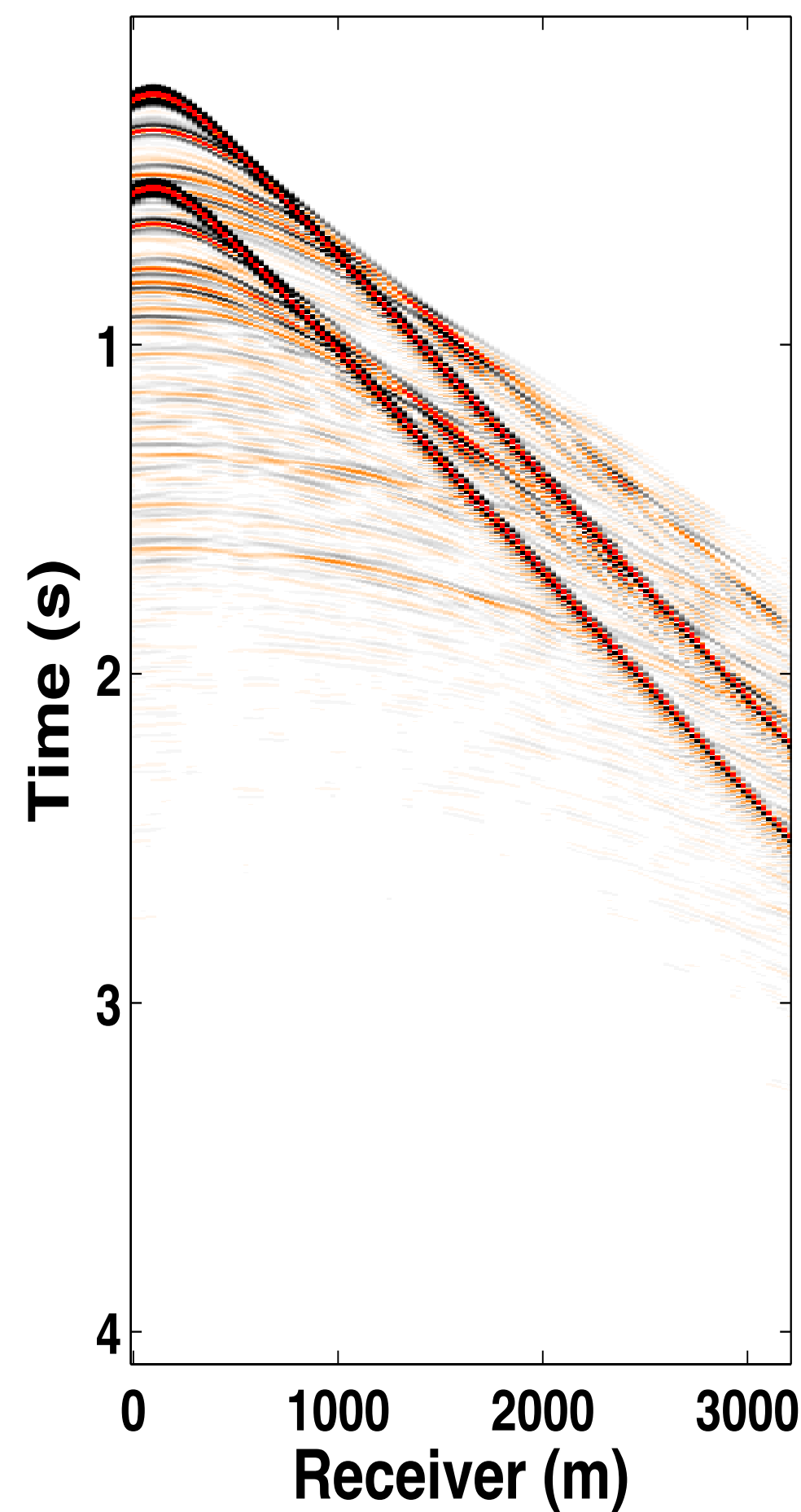
source 2
(time-delayed)



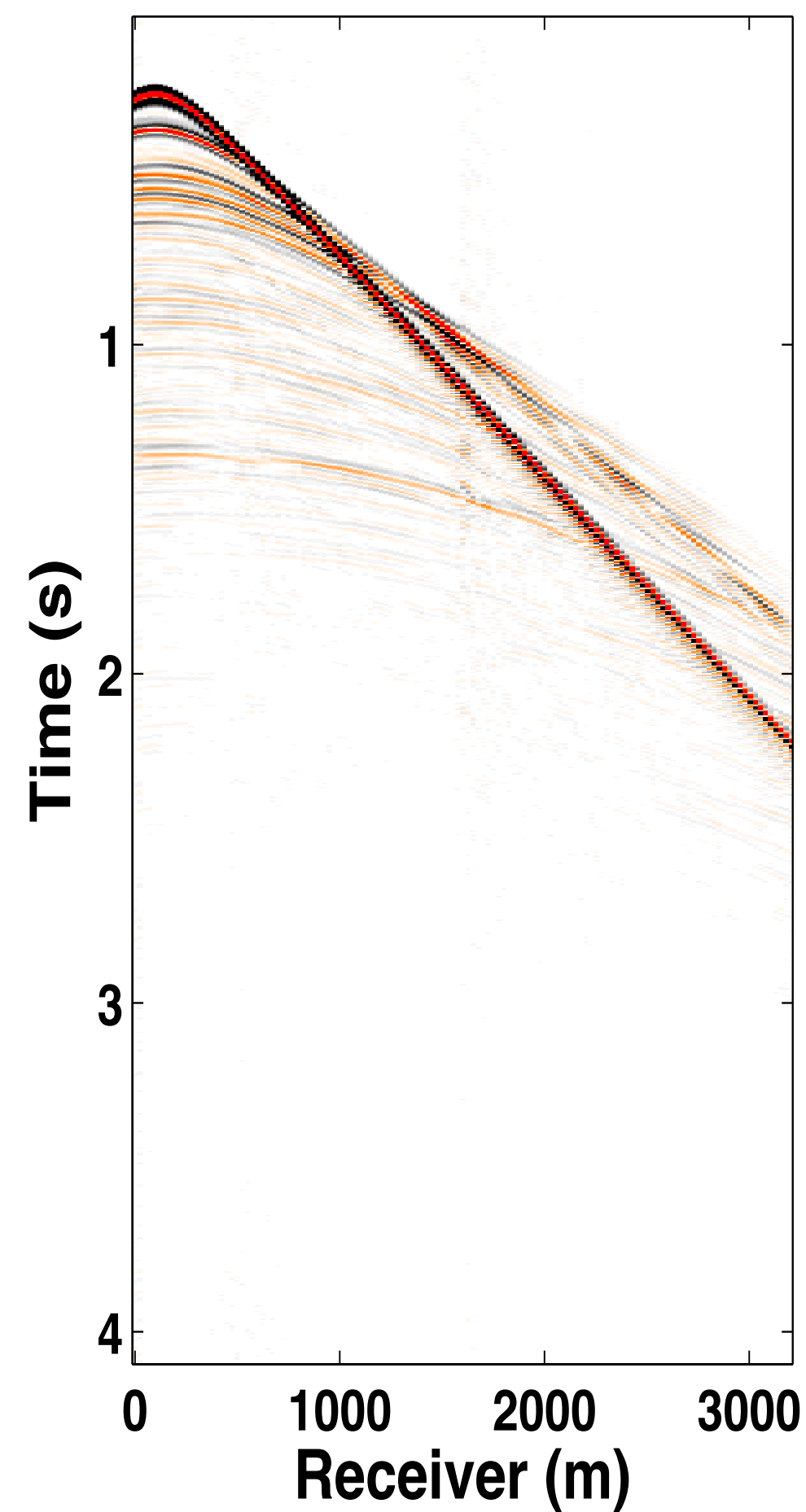
Source separation via *rank*-minimization

- computation time = 1.5 hours

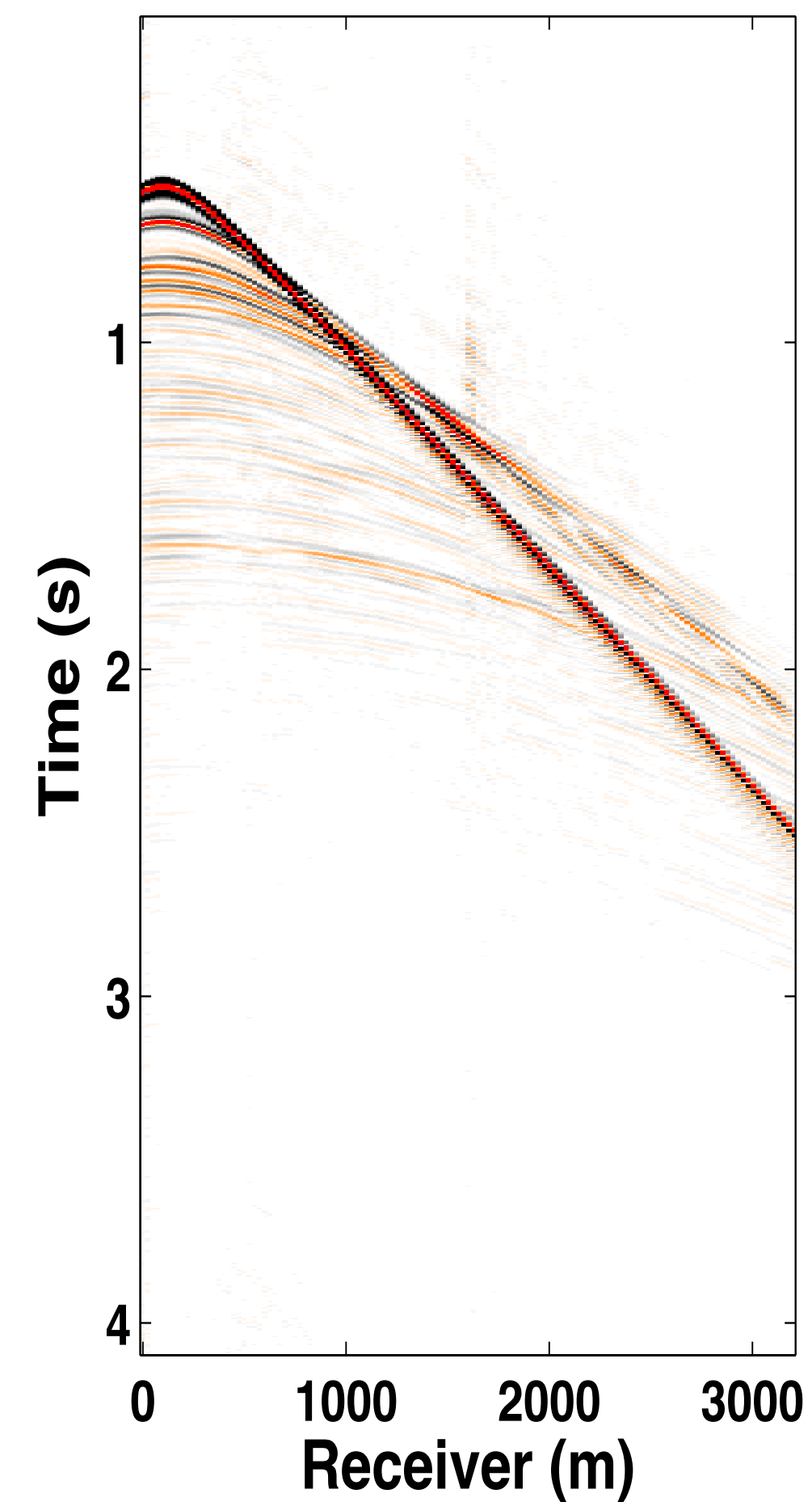
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source 1



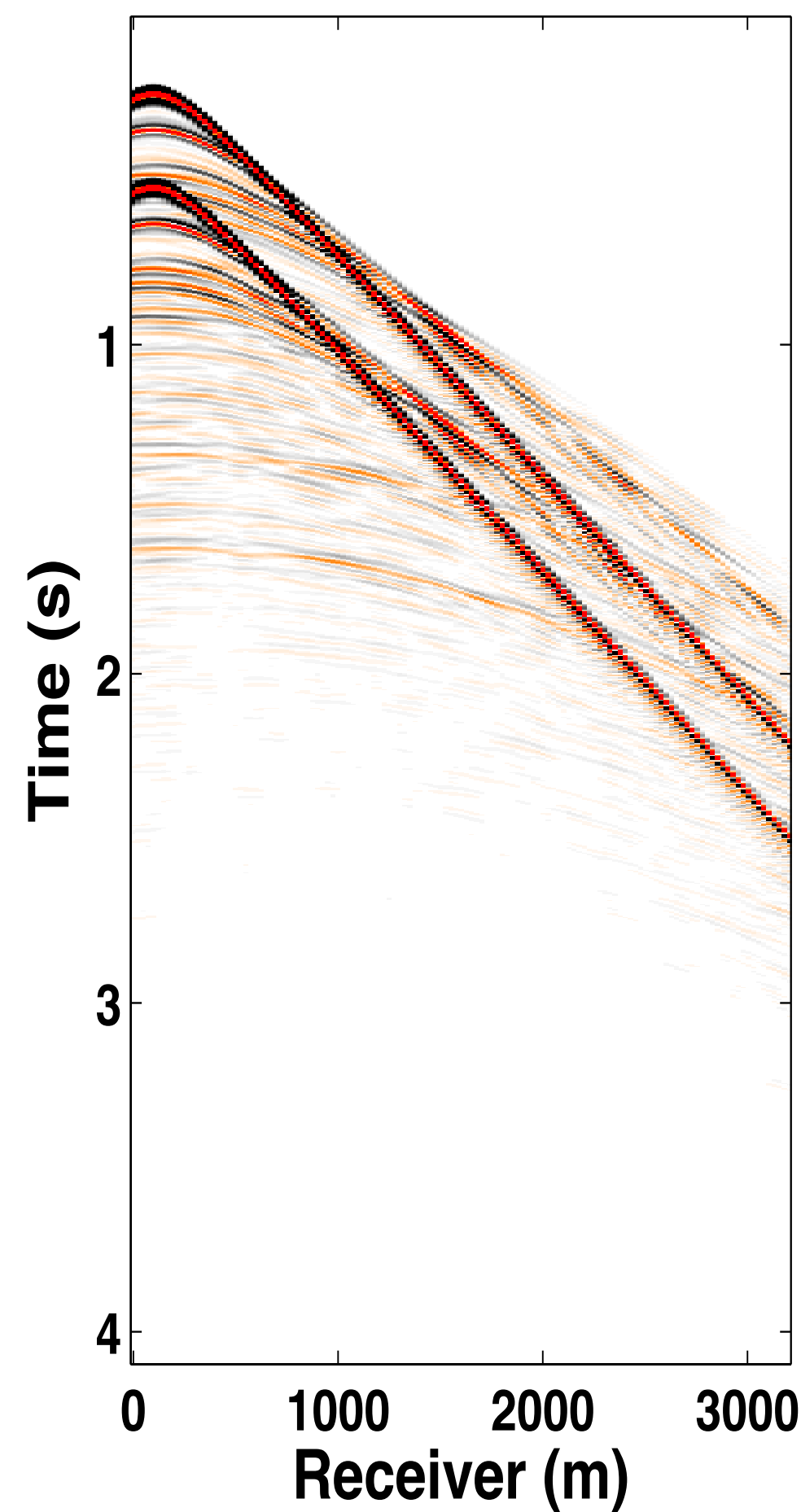
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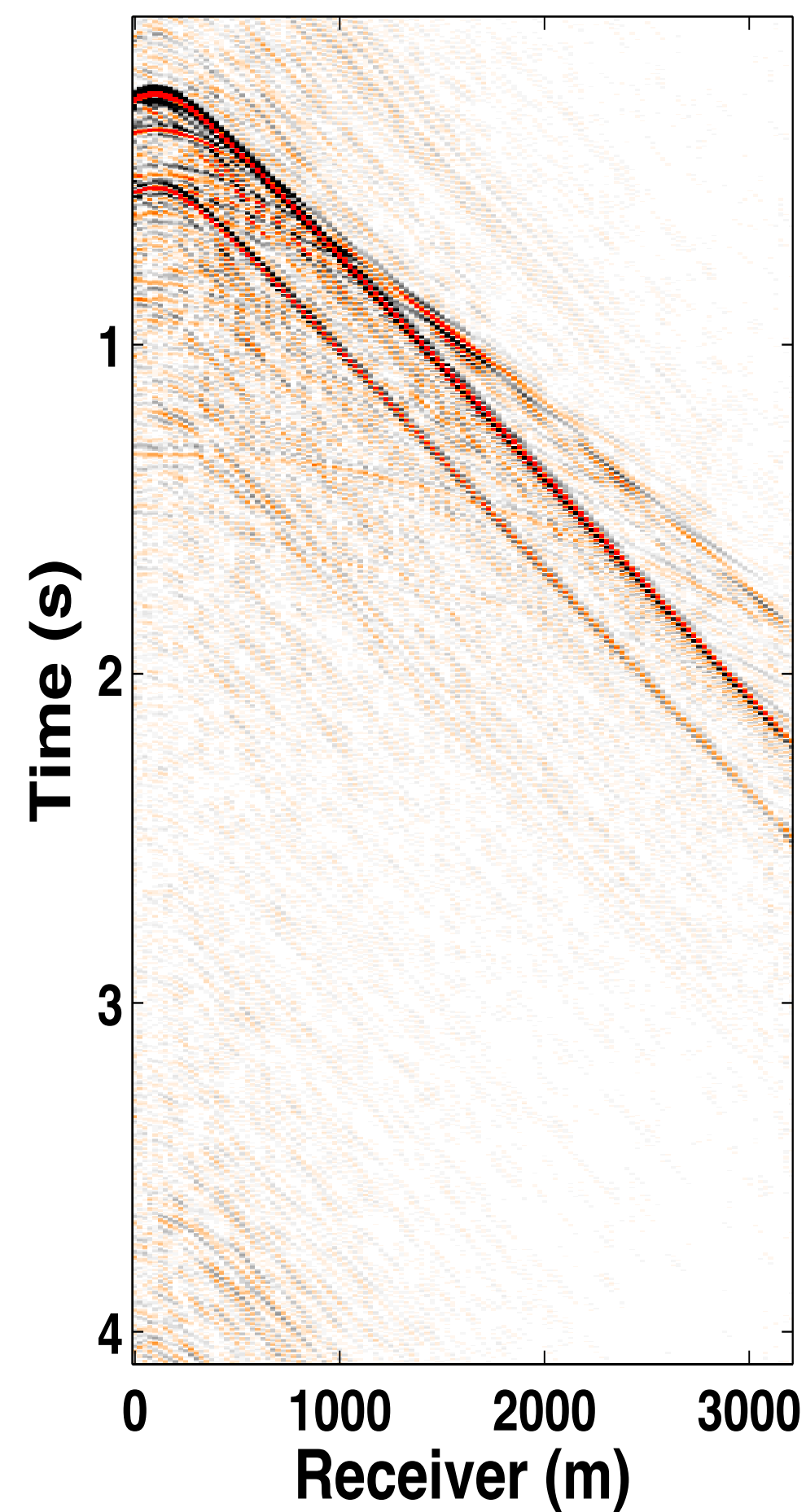
Source separation via *sparsity*-promotion

- computation time = 100 hours

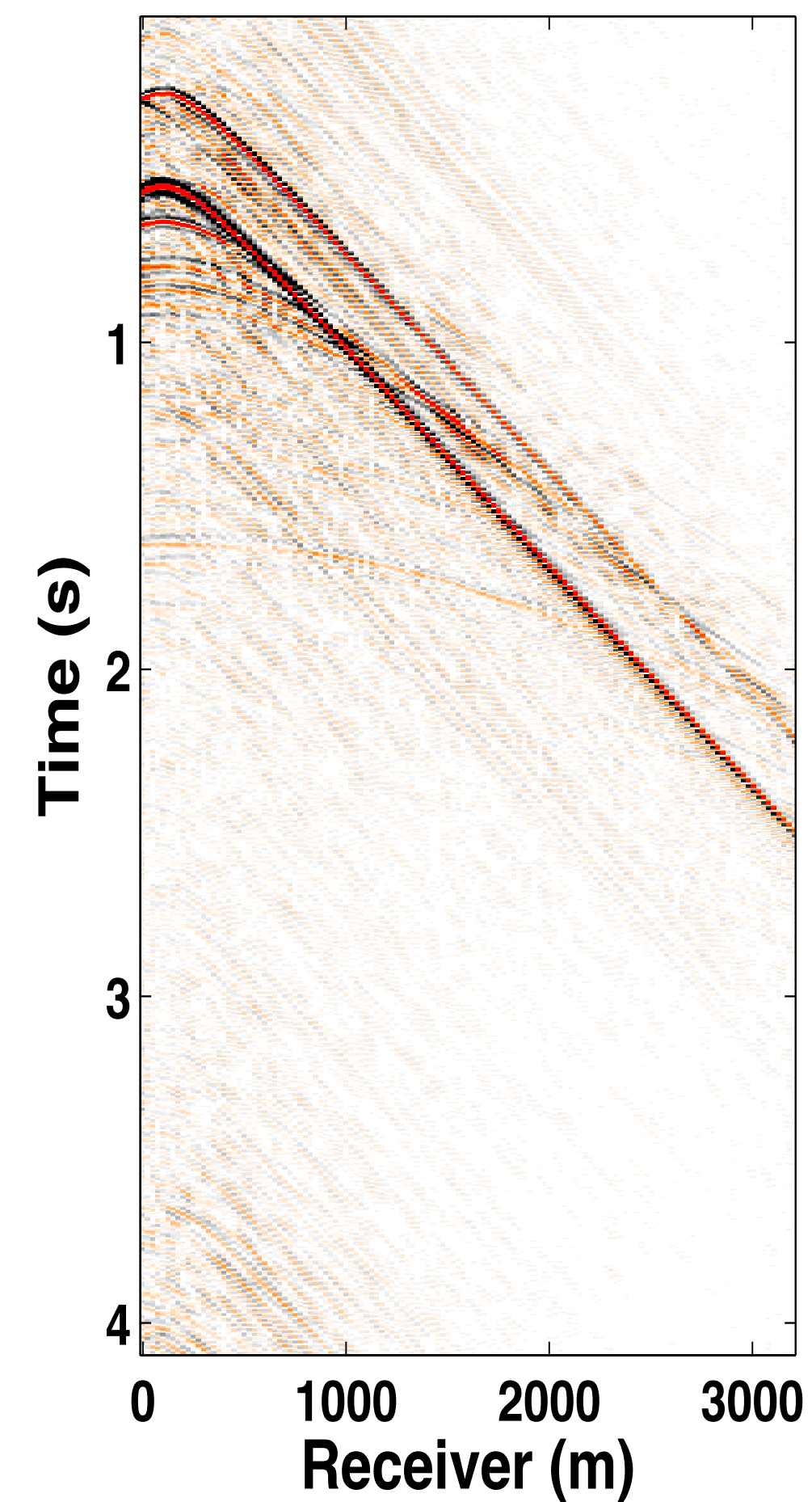
blended shot



source 1



source 2
(time-delayed)



Observations

Source separation for *low variability* acquisition scenarios can be treated as a *rank-minimization* problem

- ▶ e.g., towed-array (streamer) acquisition

Small variability in shot-times does *not* seem *desirable* for source separation via *sparsity-promotion*

Future work

More detailed comparisons of rank-minimization and sparsity-promoting techniques for source separation

Test with field data

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