

Randomized sampling without repetition in time-lapse seismic surveys

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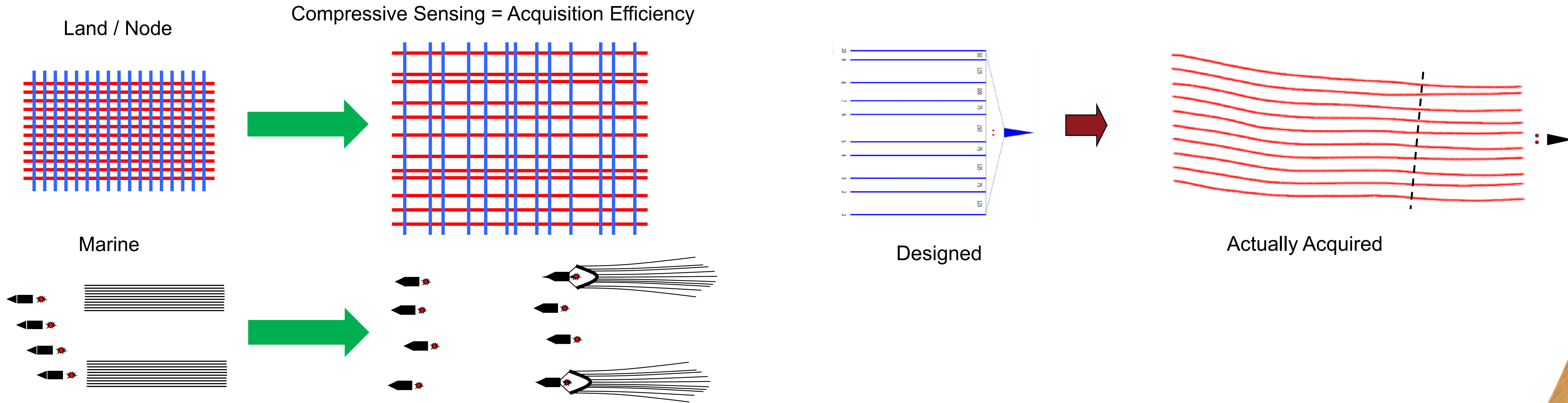
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Randomized undersampling

– examples from industry (ConocoPhilips)

Deliberate & natural randomness in acquisition
(thanks to Chuck Mosher)



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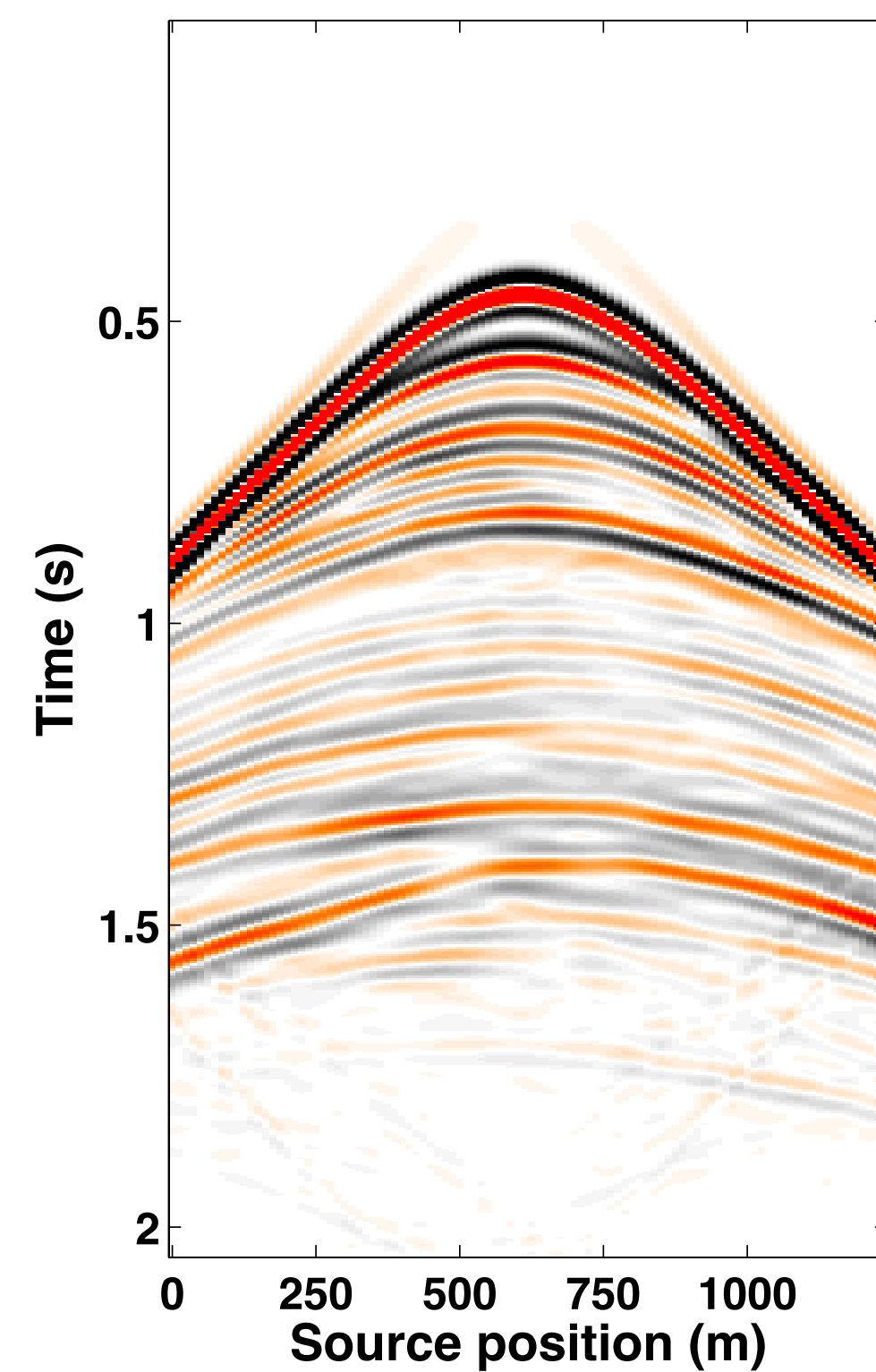
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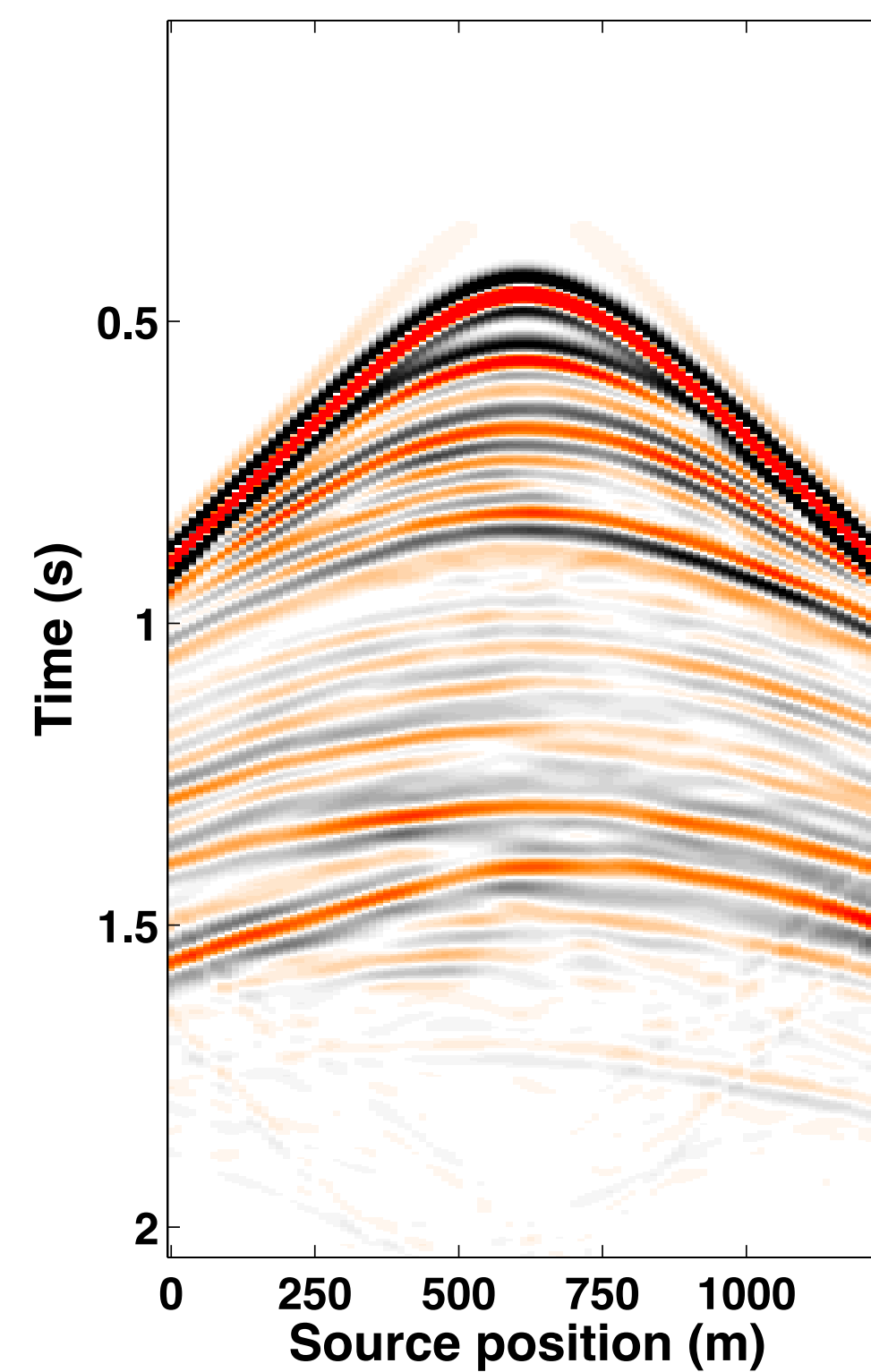
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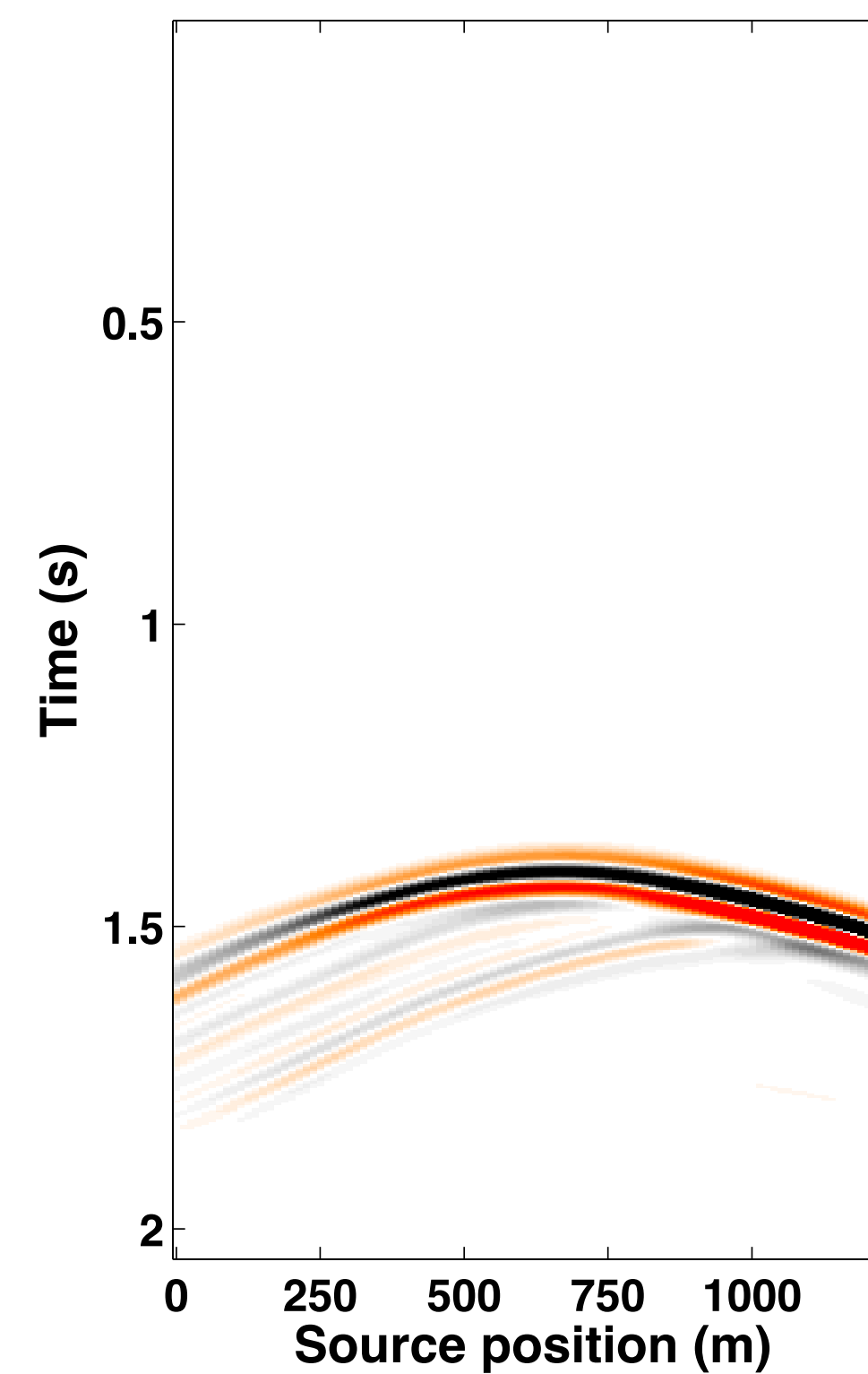
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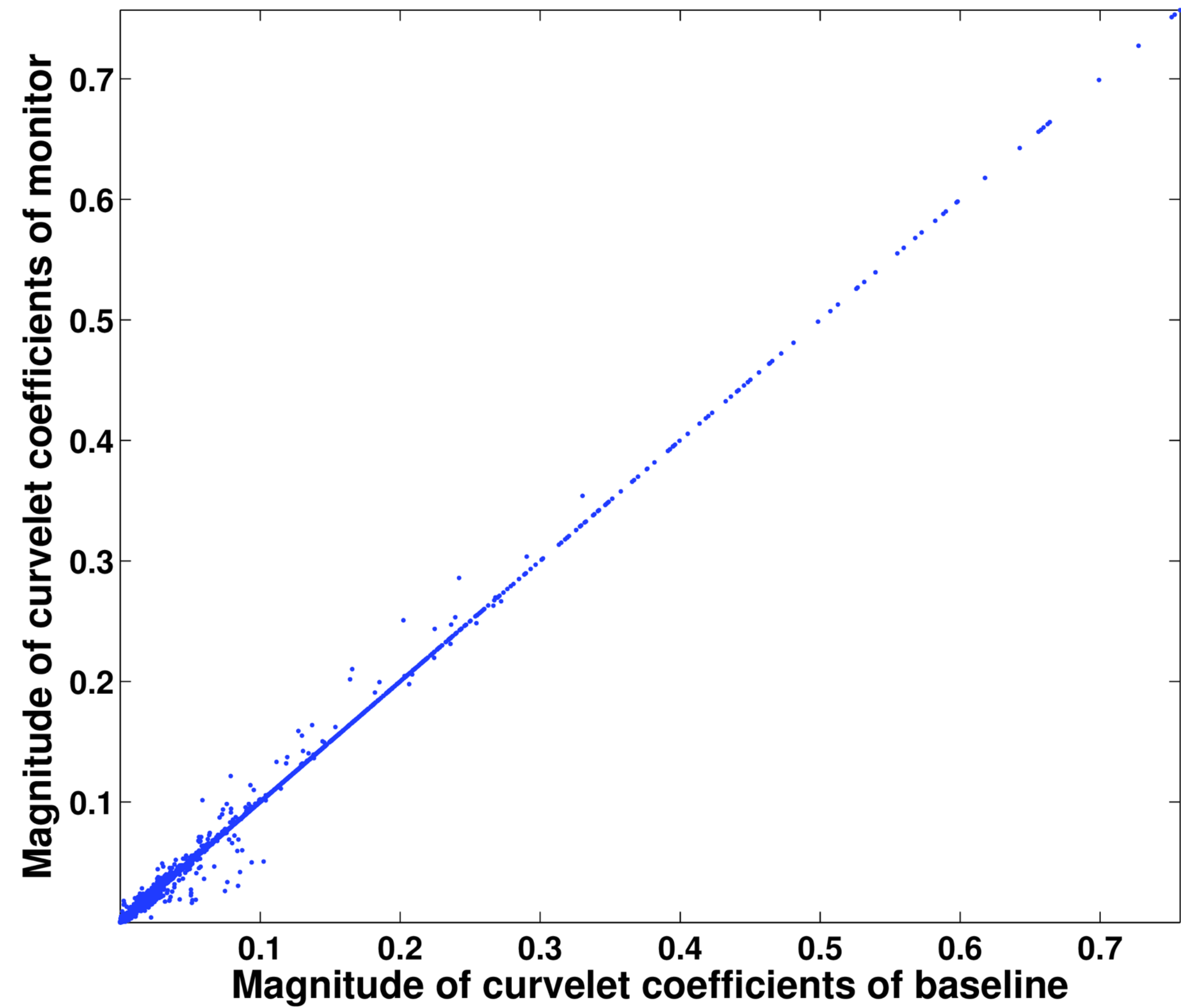
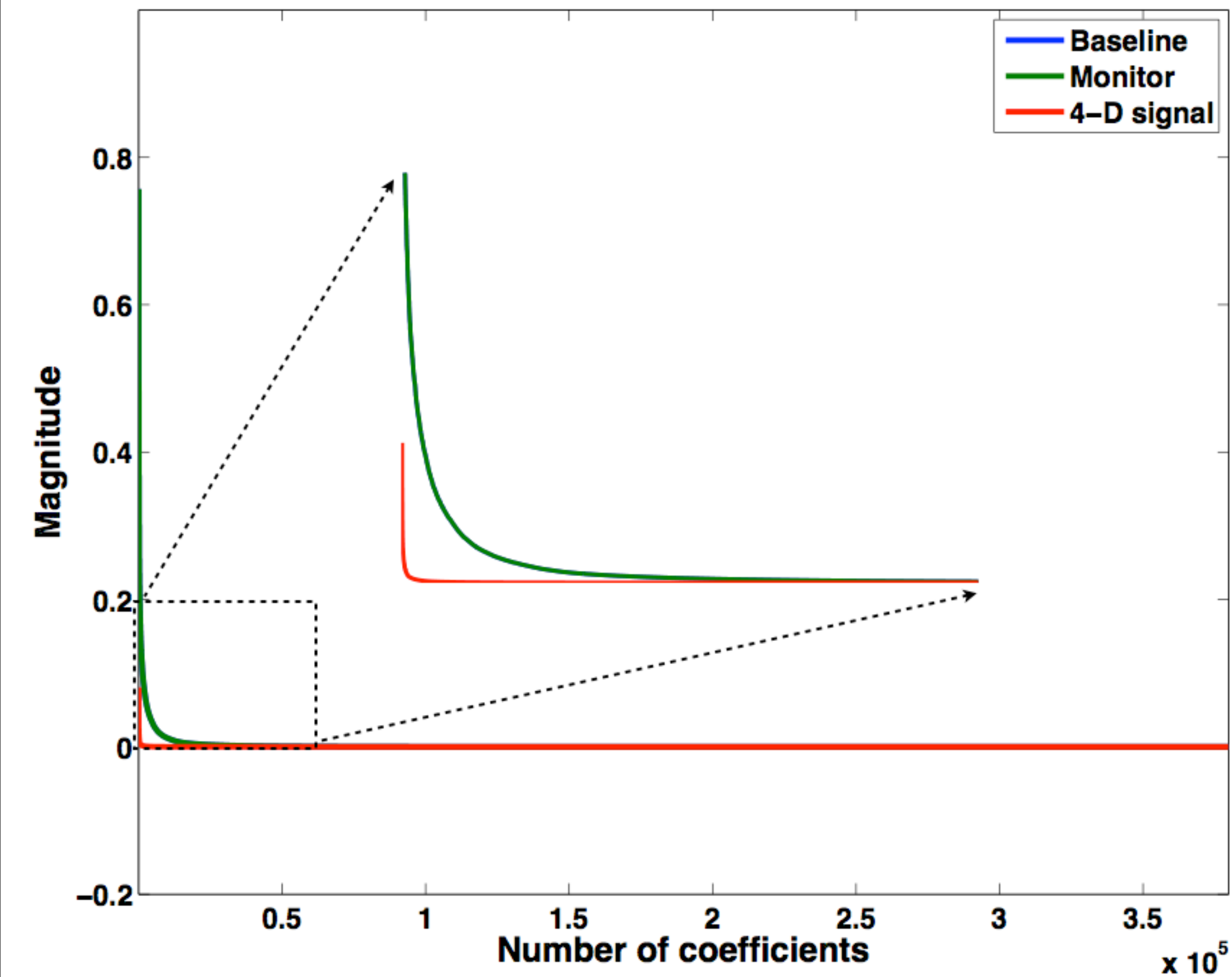
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Structure - curvelet representation



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 - ▶ invert for *common* components & *differences* w.r.t. the *common* components with *sparse* recovery

Sparsity-promoting recovery

$$\tilde{\mathbf{z}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \|\mathbf{z}\|_1 \quad \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{b}$$

A *measurement operator/sampling matrix*

b *observed data*

$\tilde{\mathbf{z}}$ *estimated representation of true data*

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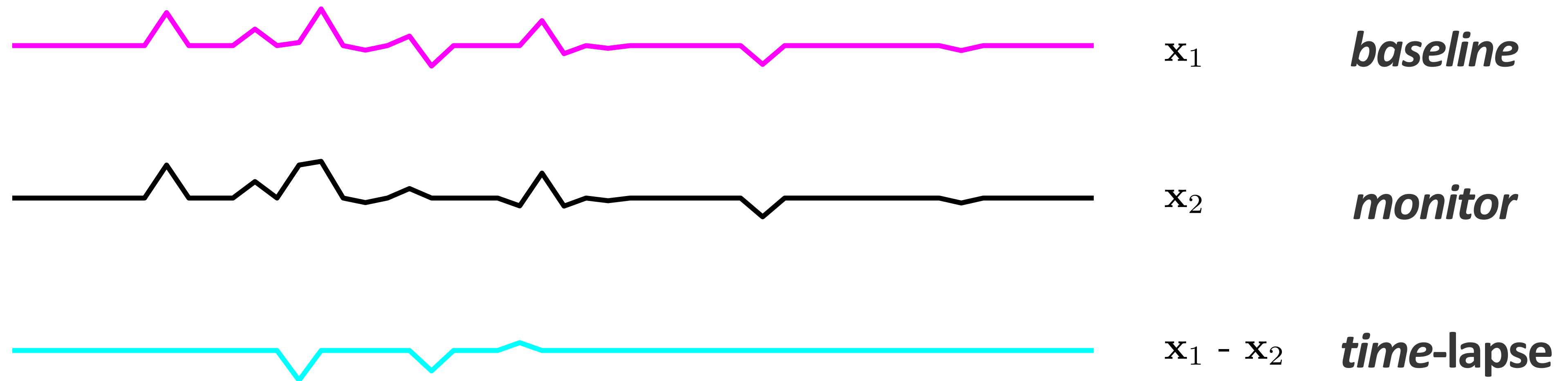
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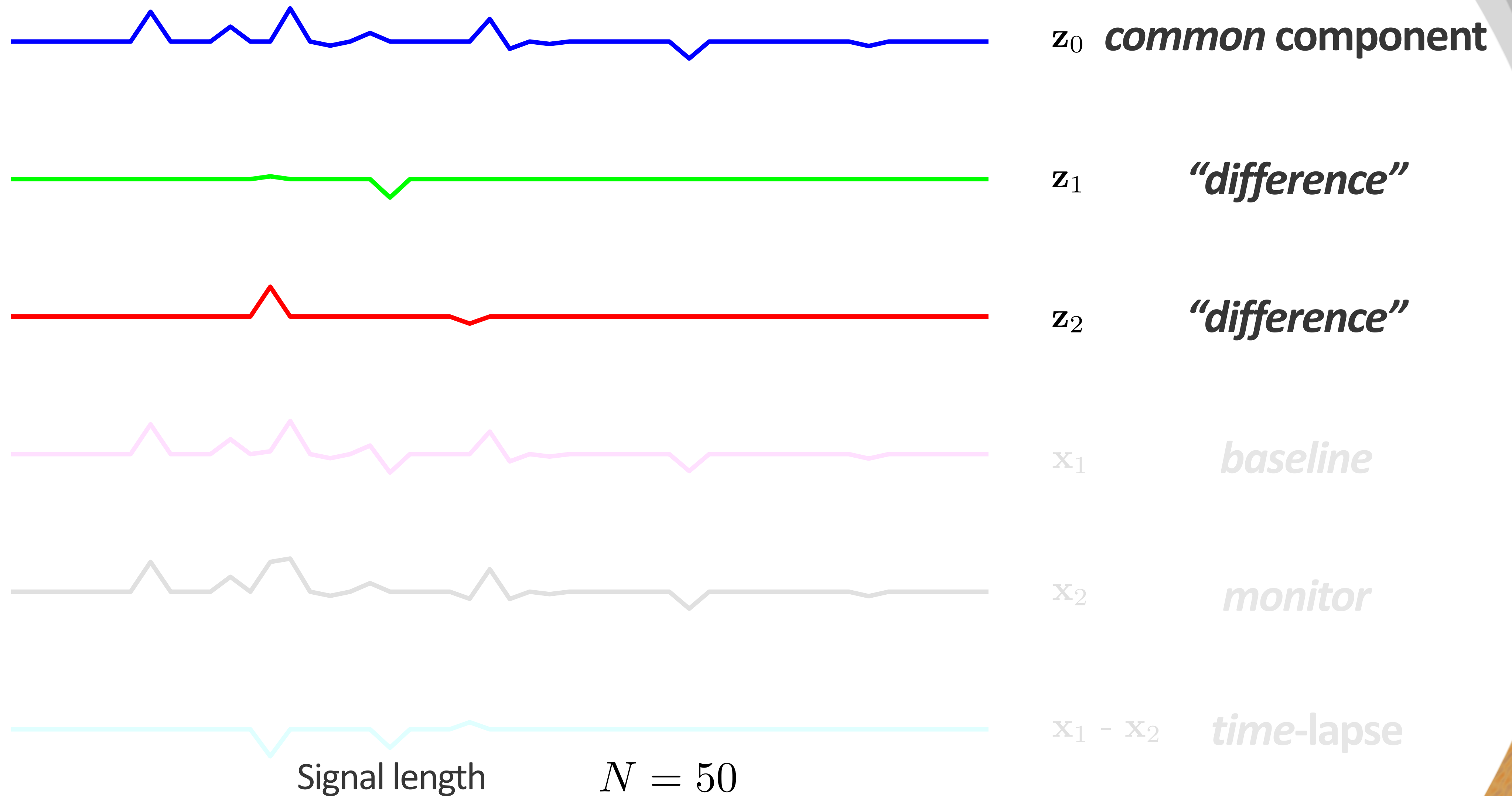
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 - ▶ *calibration* errors
 - ▶ noise...

Stylized Examples

Sparse baseline, monitor & time-lapse signals



Sparse Joint Recovery Model (JRM)



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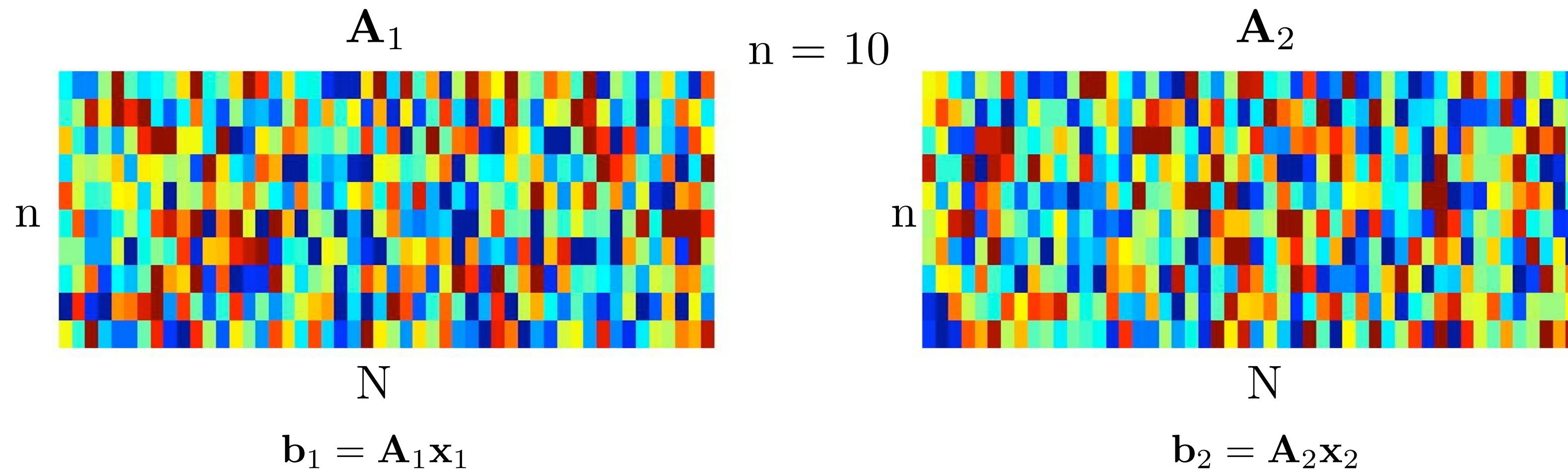
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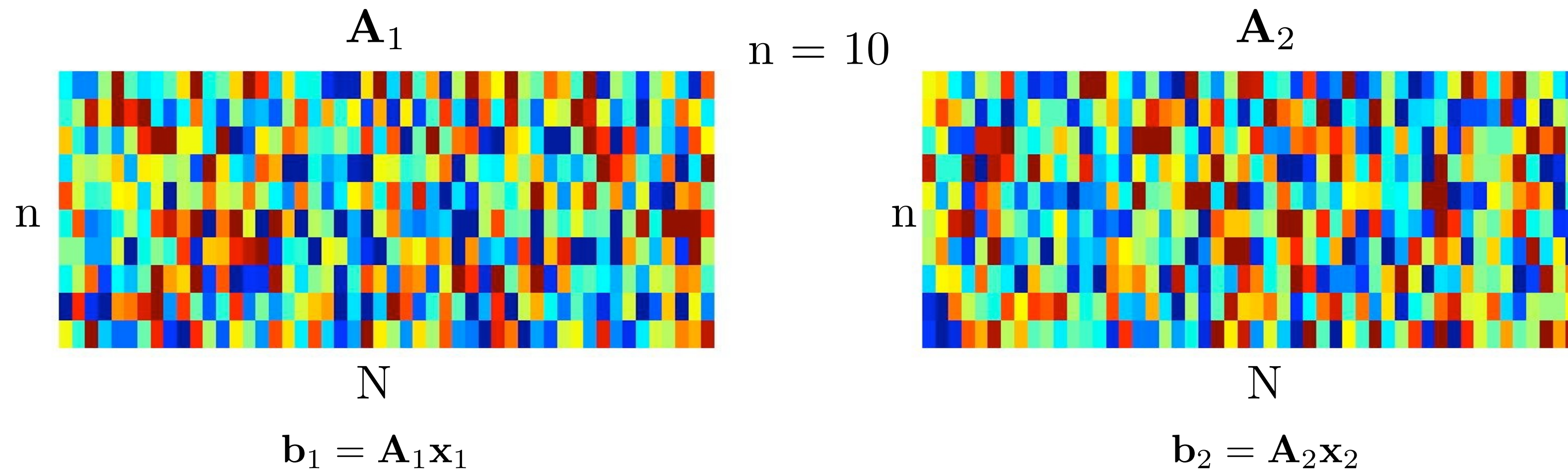
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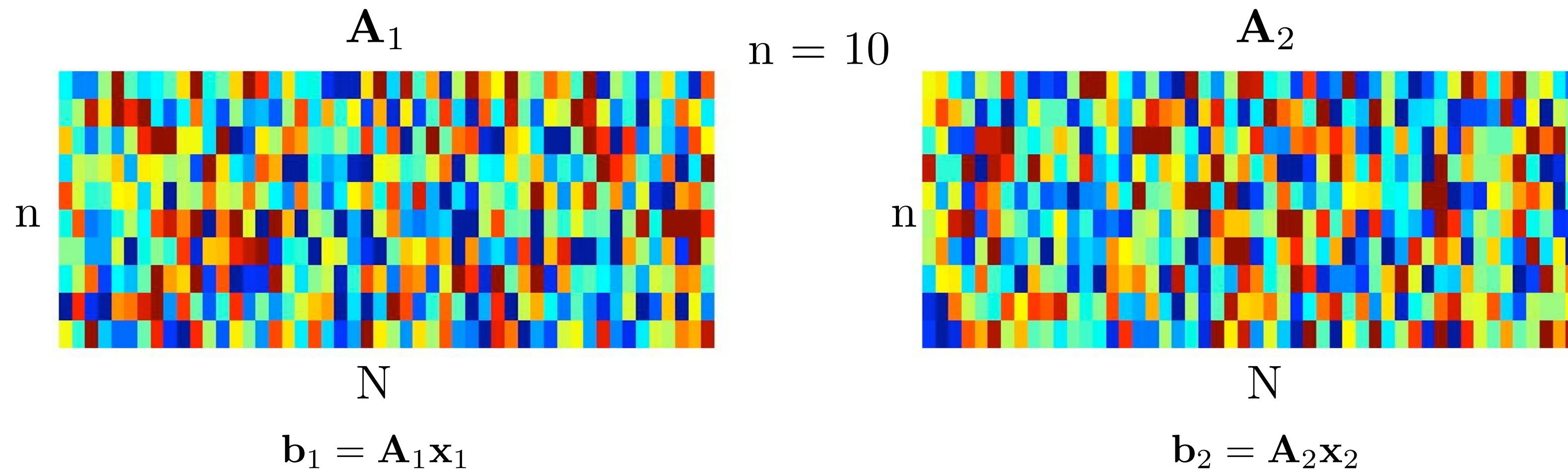


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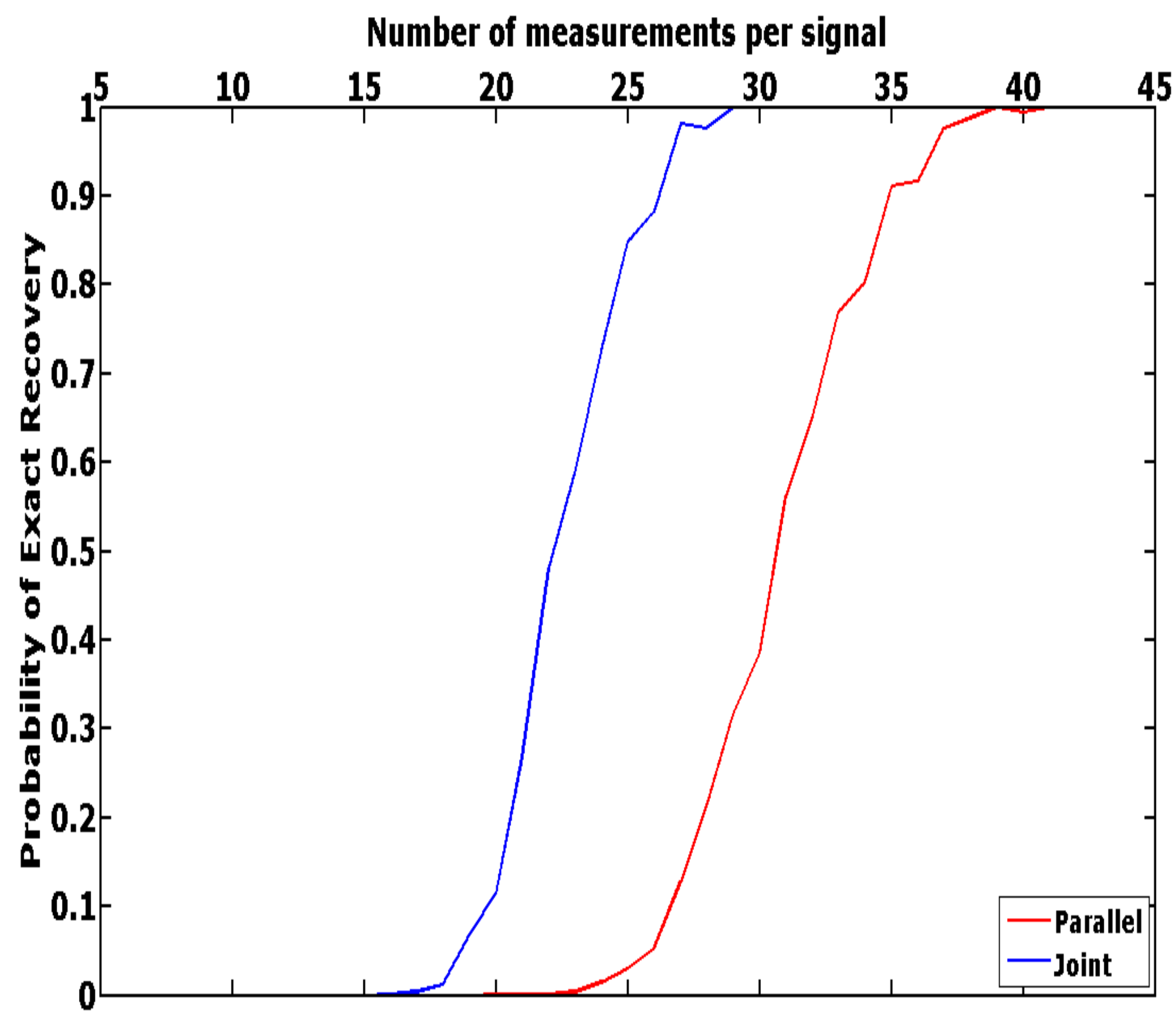
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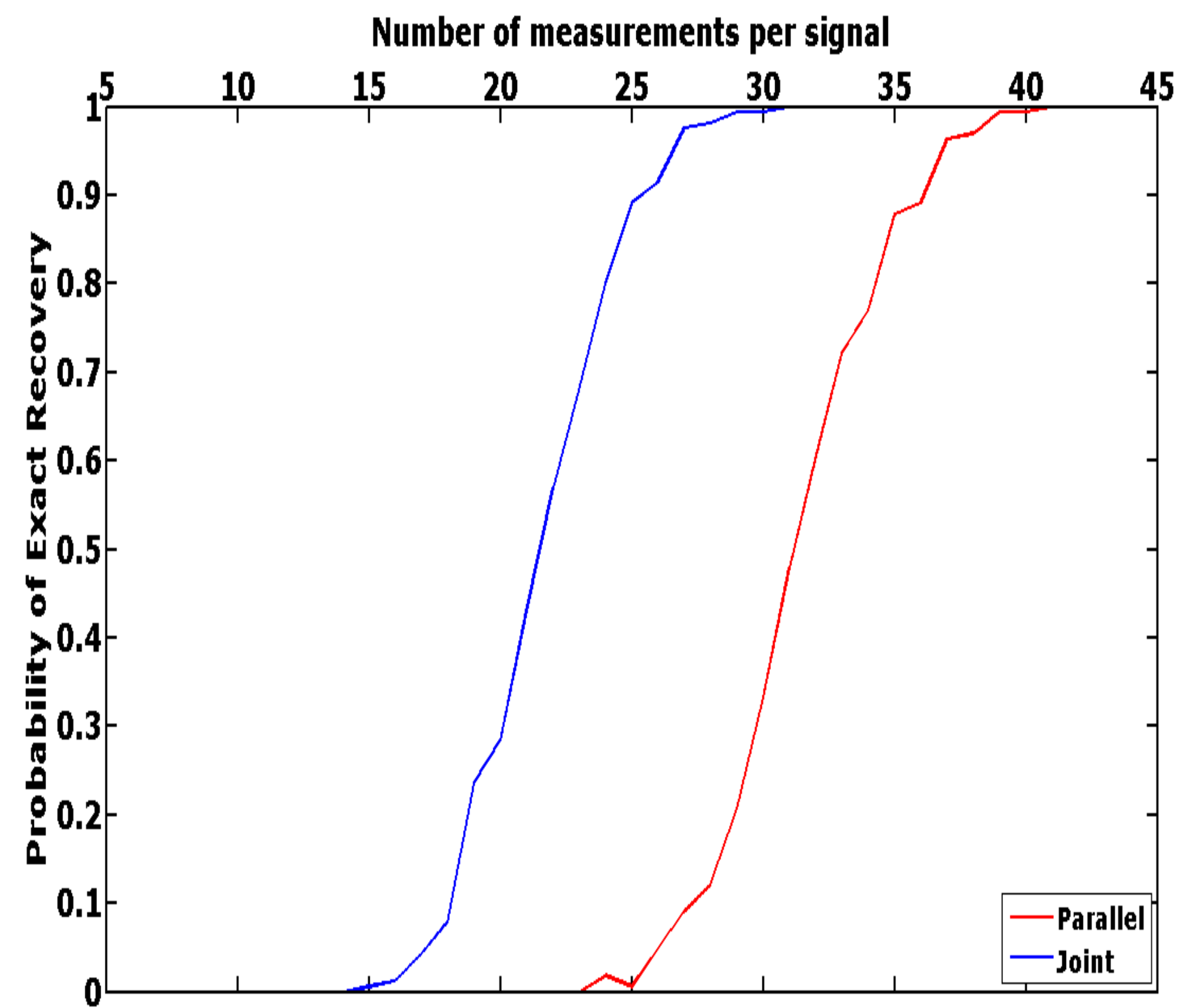
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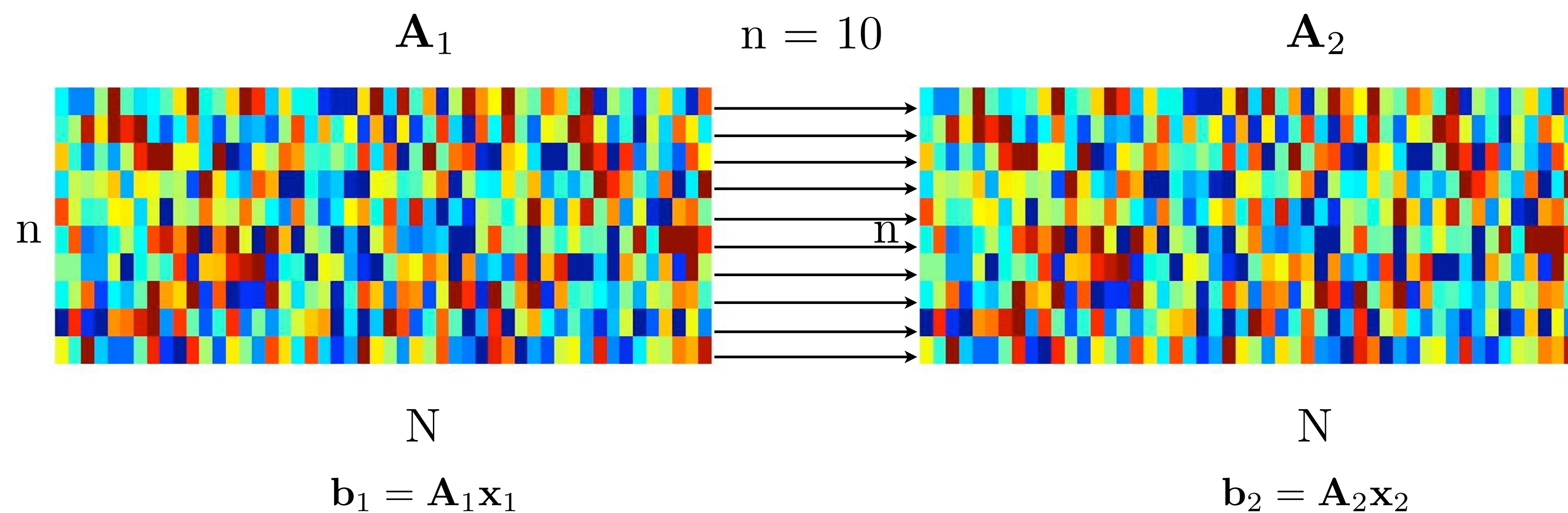
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Joint recovery method is better than parallel because it exploits the shared information in the data

Fewer samples required with joint recovery

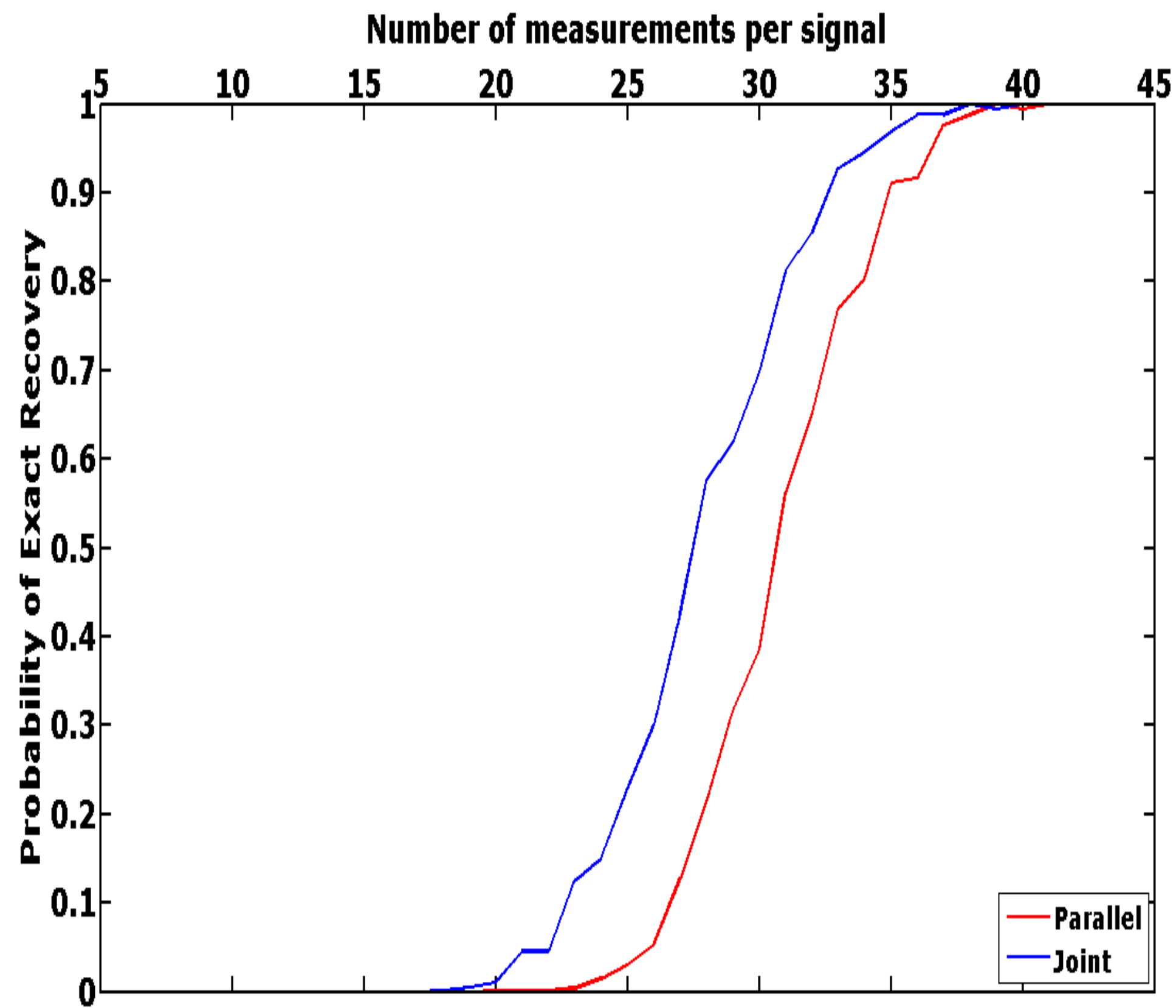
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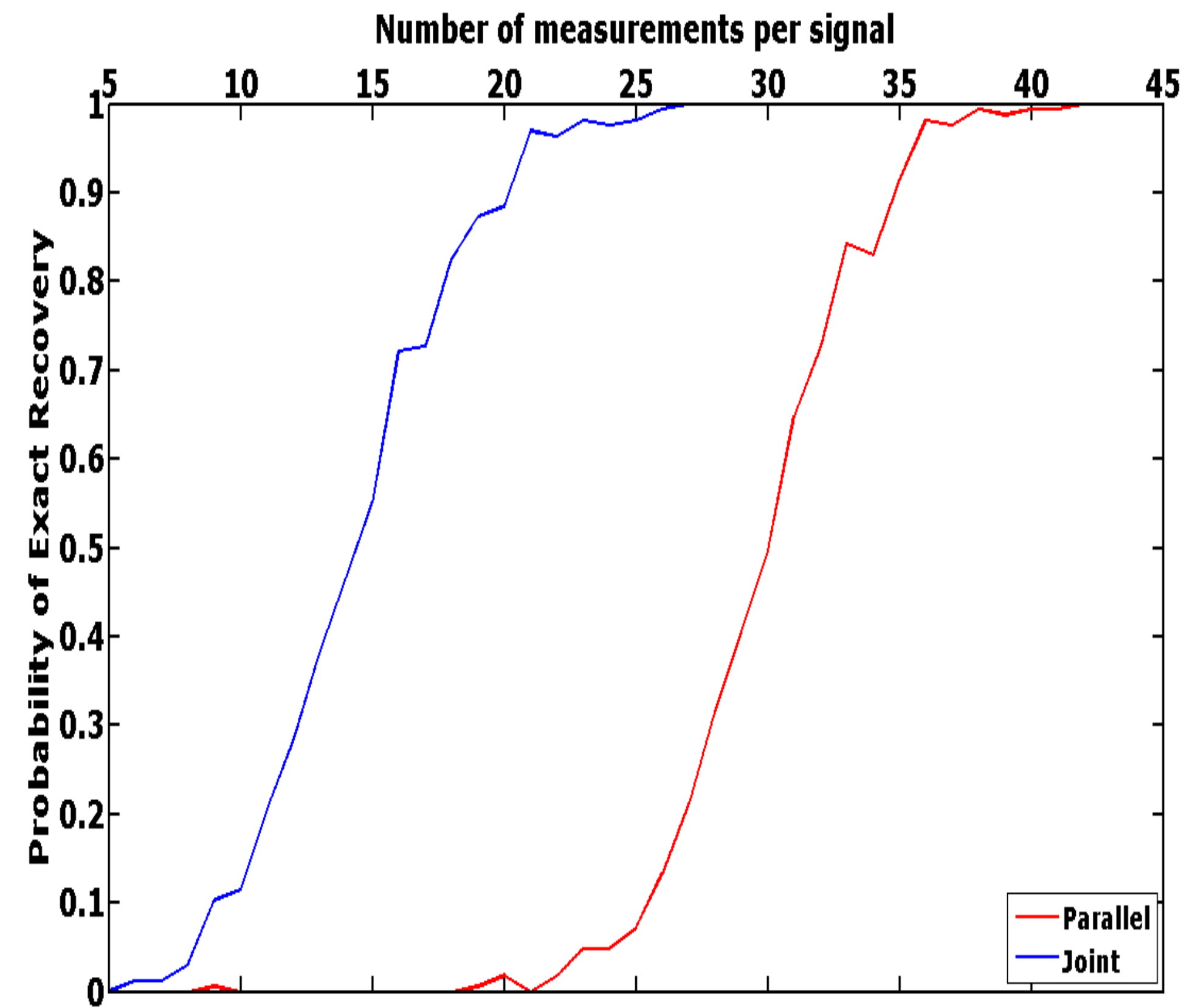


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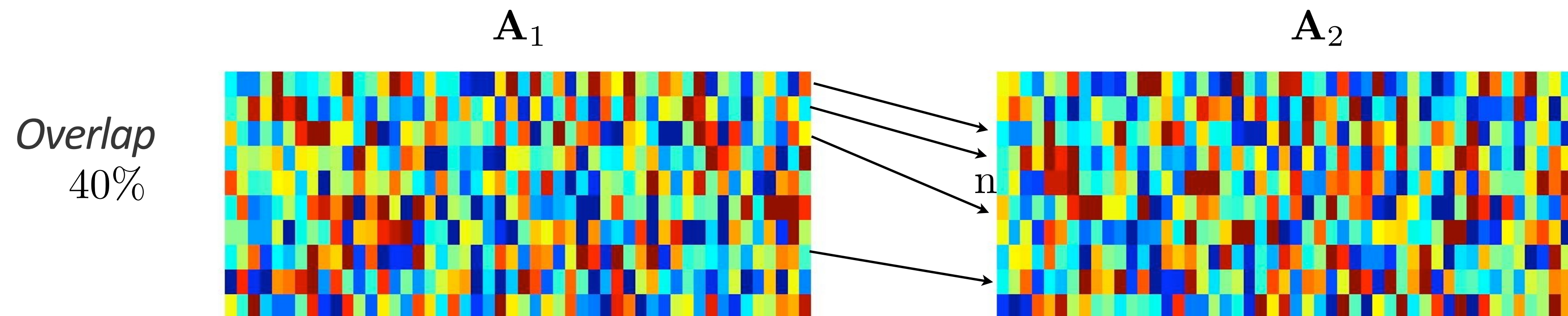
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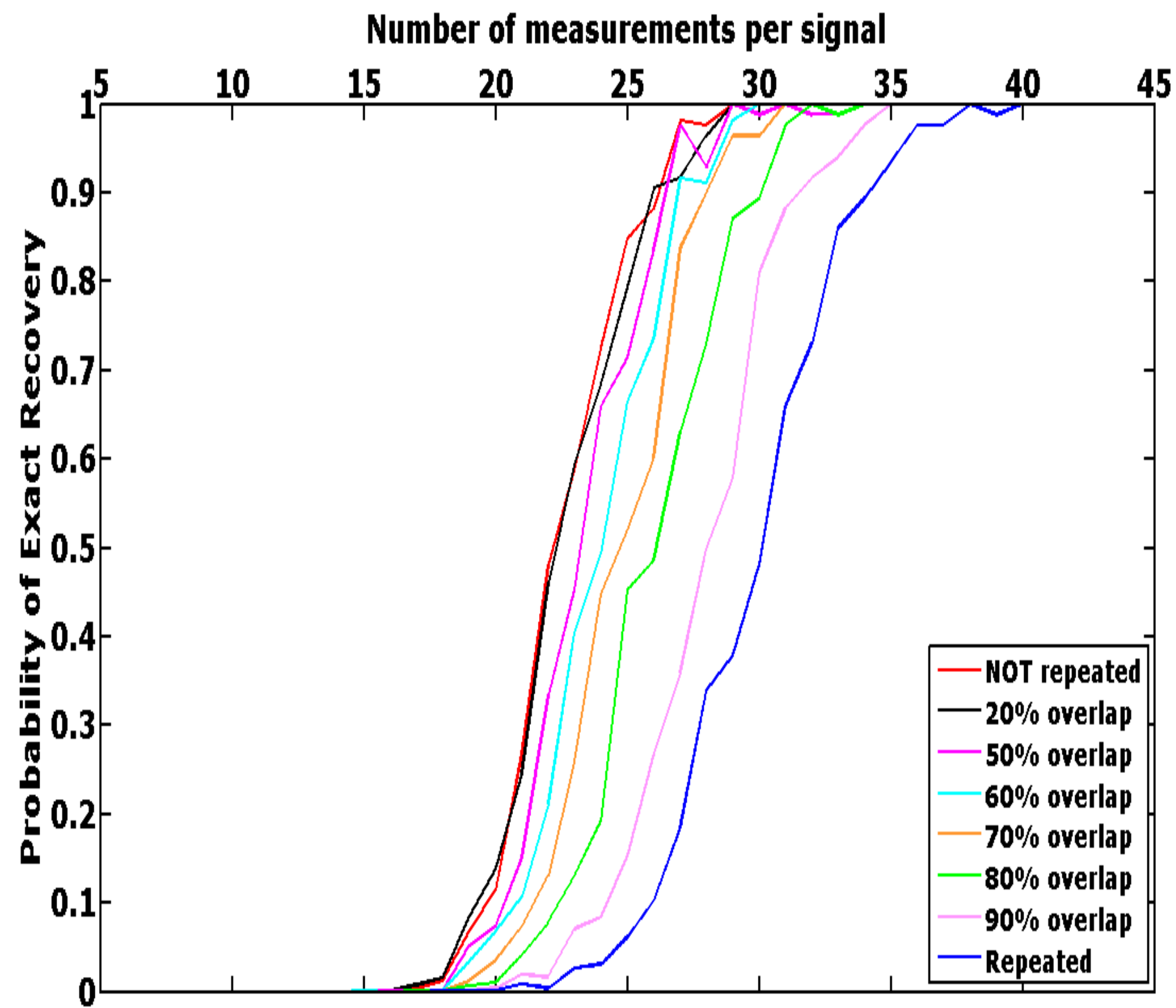
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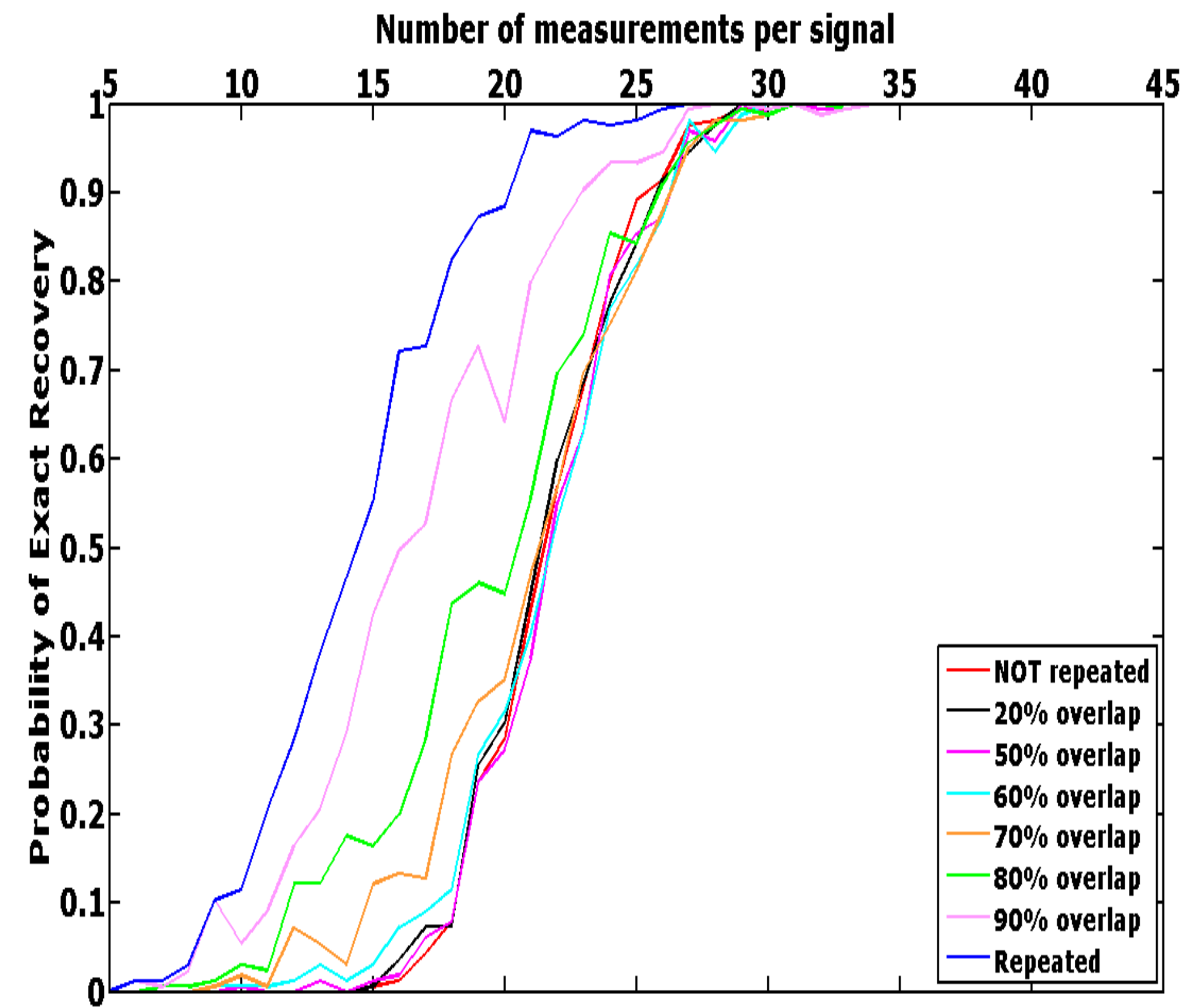
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Time-jittered marine acquisition

- Application to time-lapse seismic

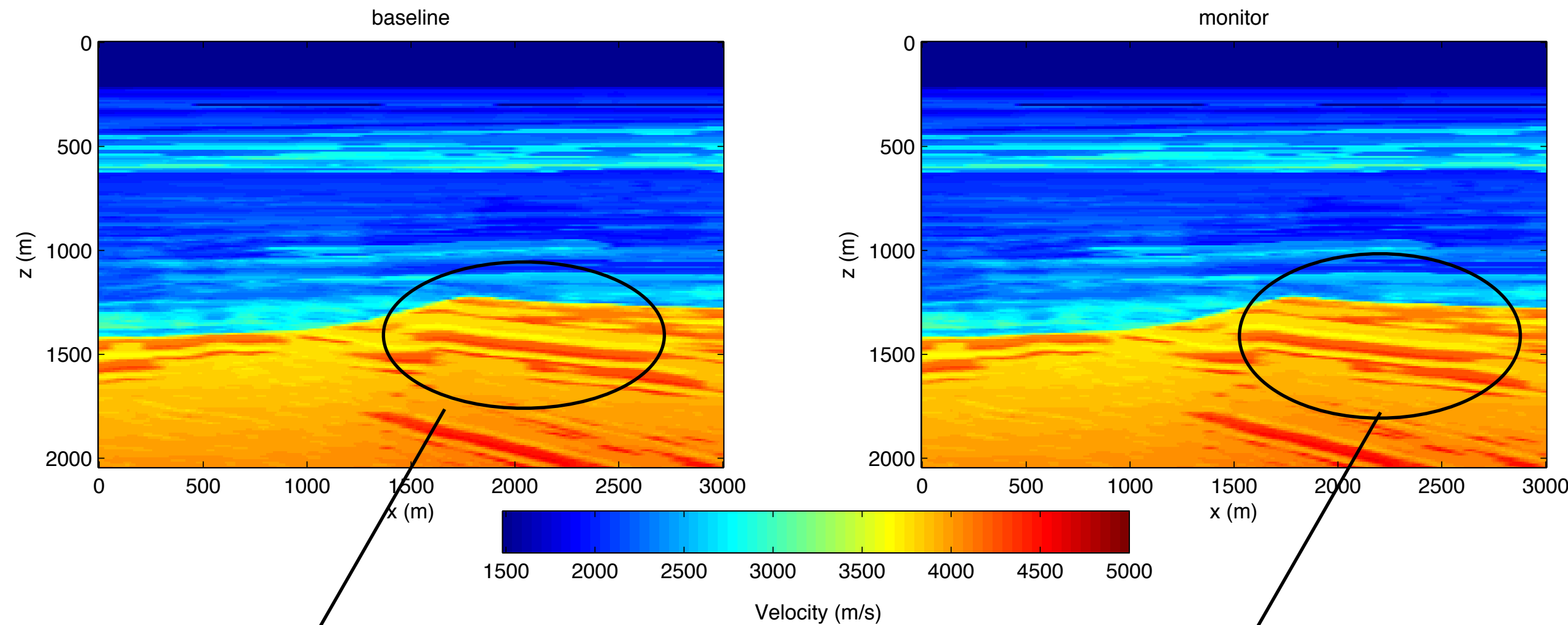


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Method

- Velocity and density model provided by BG, taken as baseline
- High permeability zone identified at a depth of $\sim 1300\text{m}$
- Fluid substitution (gas/oil replaced with brine) simulated to derive monitor velocity model
- Wavefield simulation to generate synthetic time-lapse data

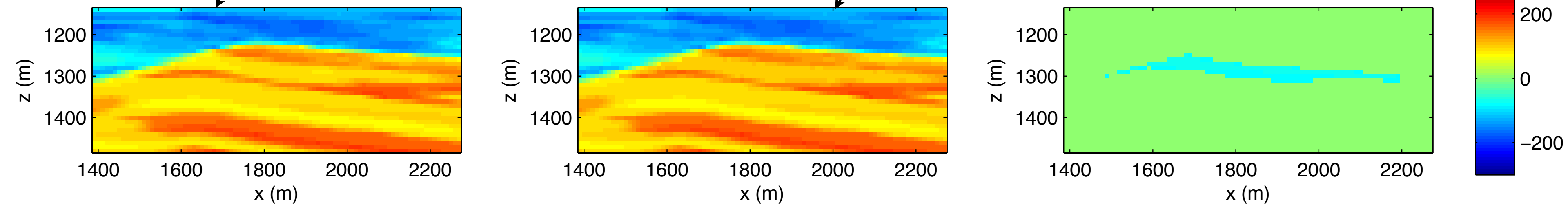
Baseline Model



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monitor

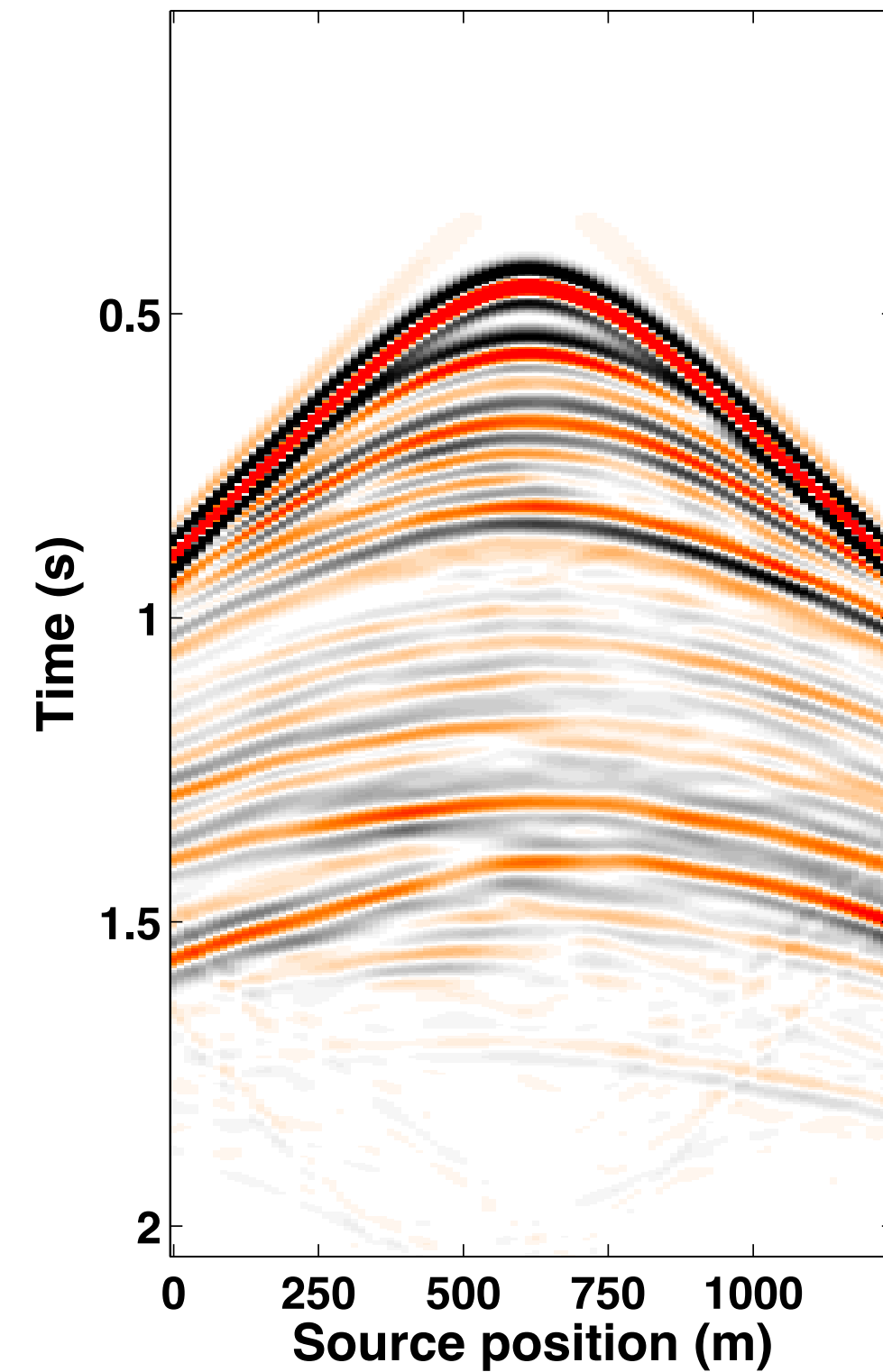
4D (difference)



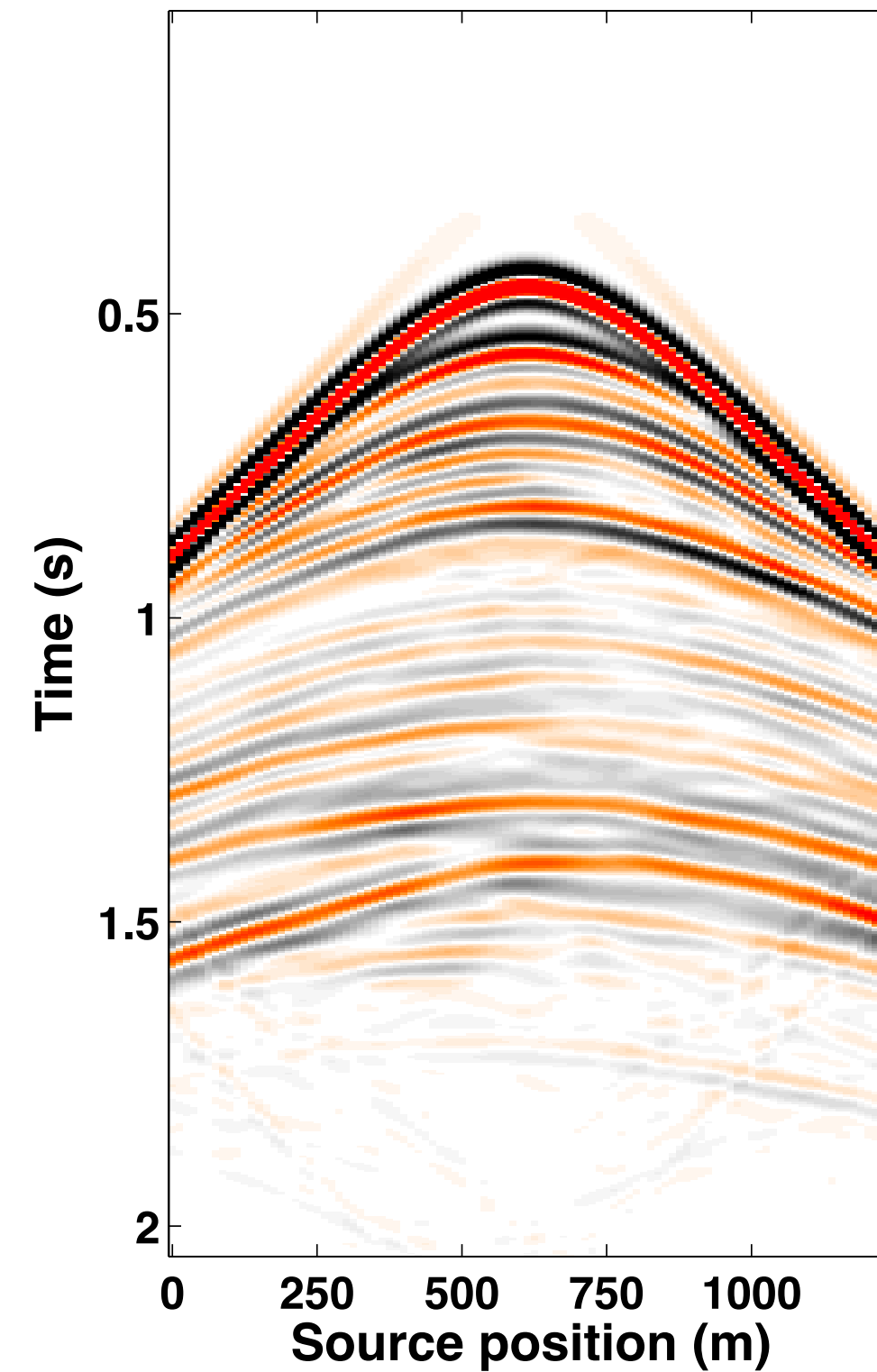
Simulated original data

– time-domain finite differences

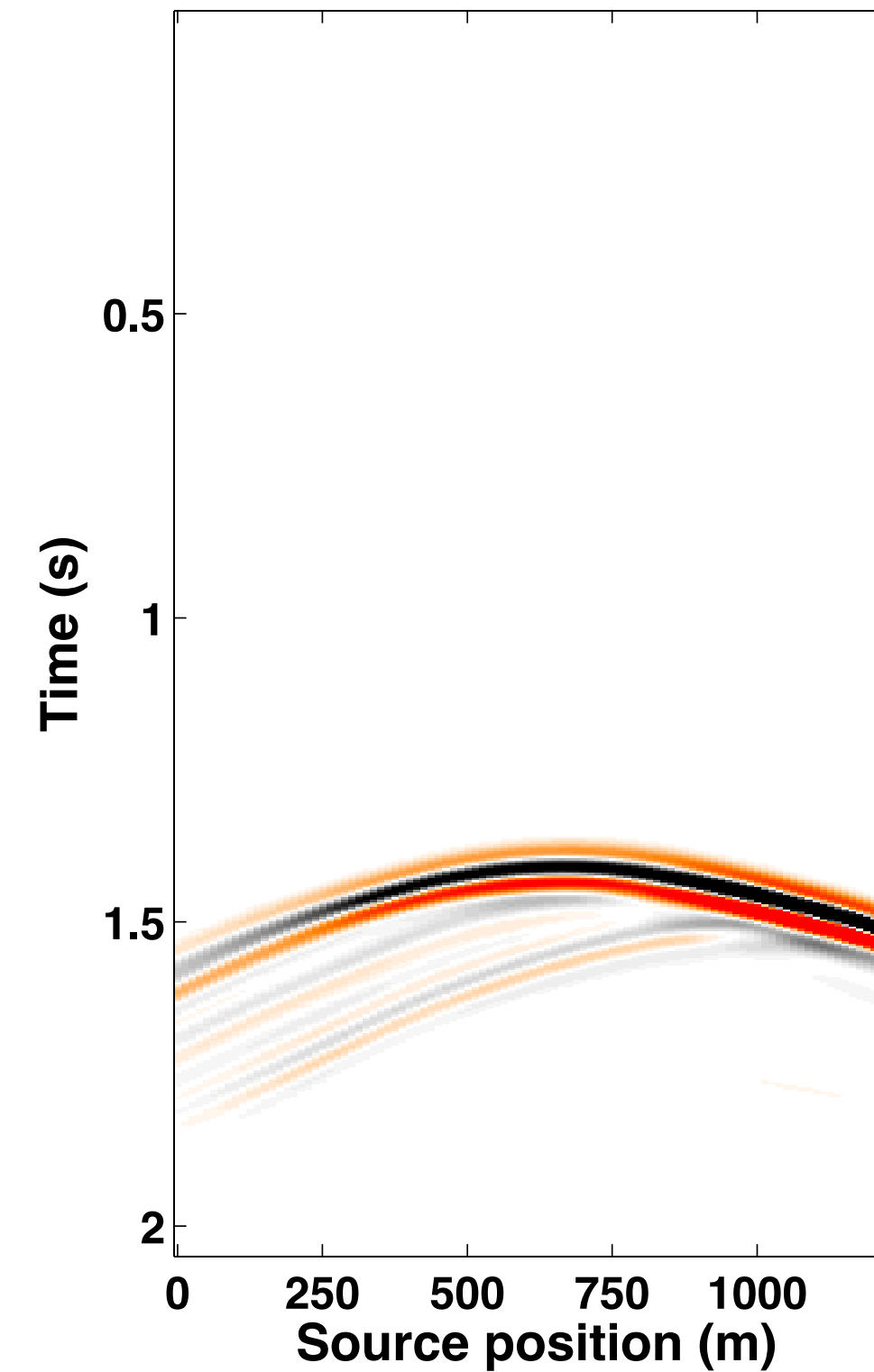
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4-D signal



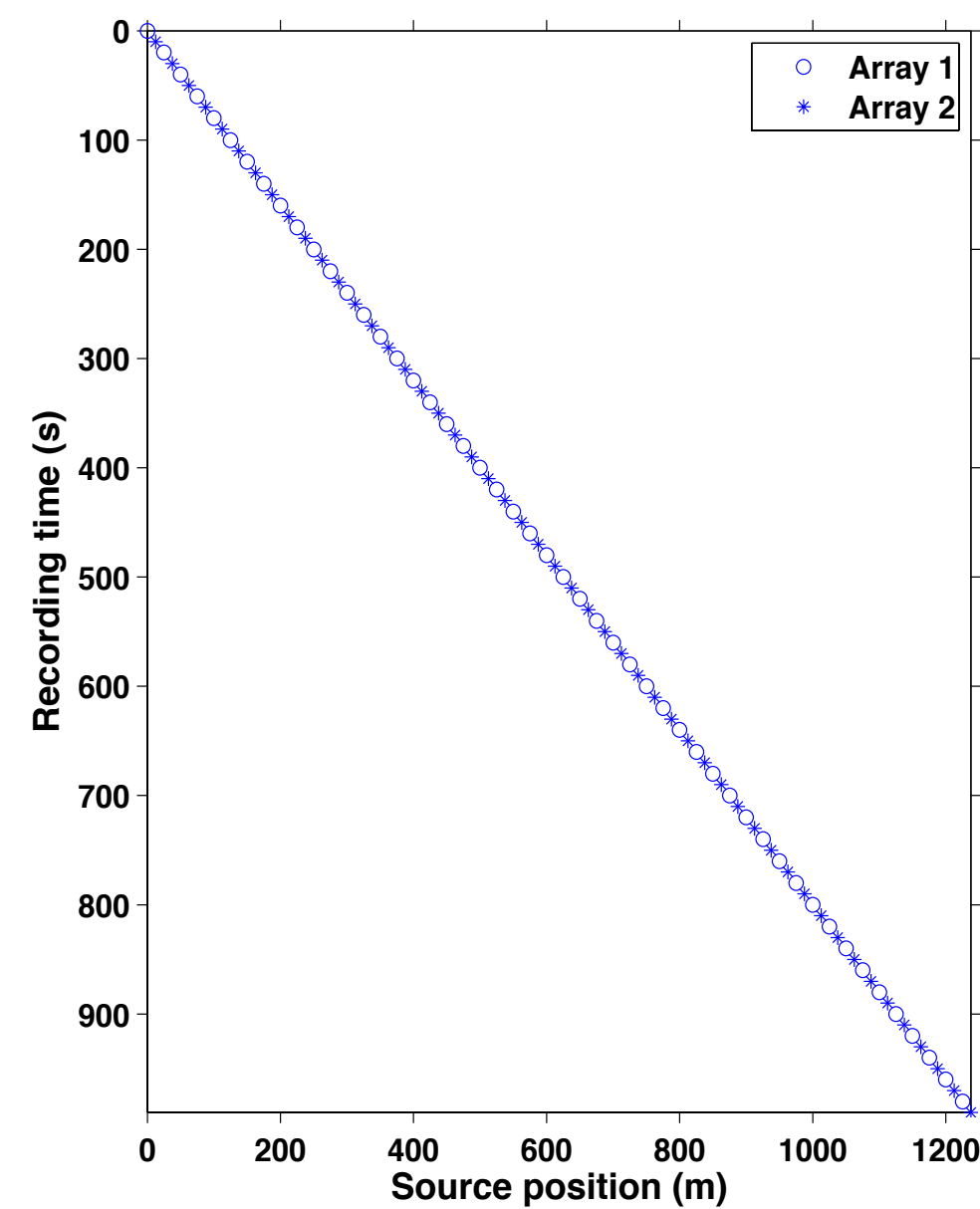
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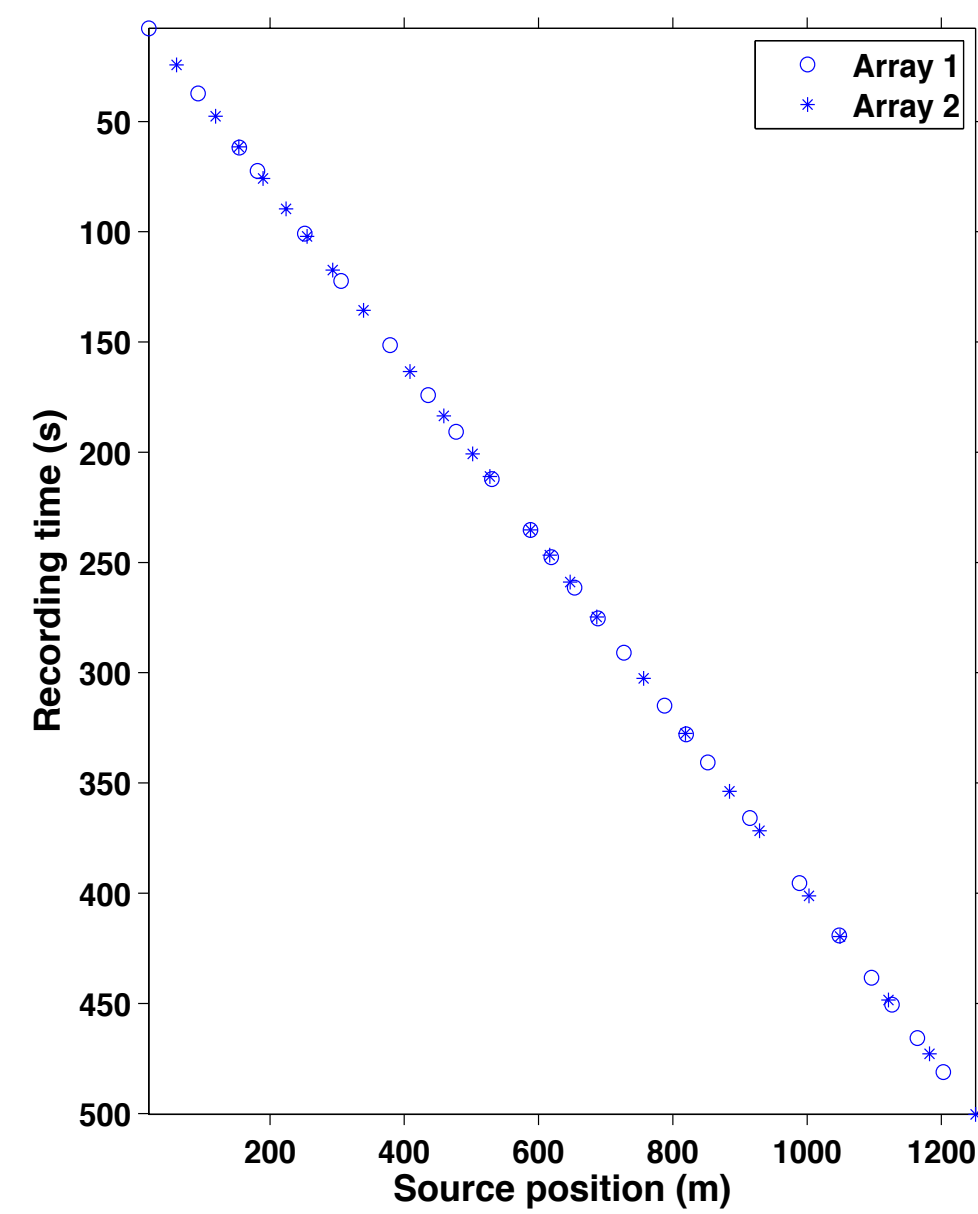
Conventional vs. *time-jittered* sources

– undersampling ratio = 2, 2 source arrays

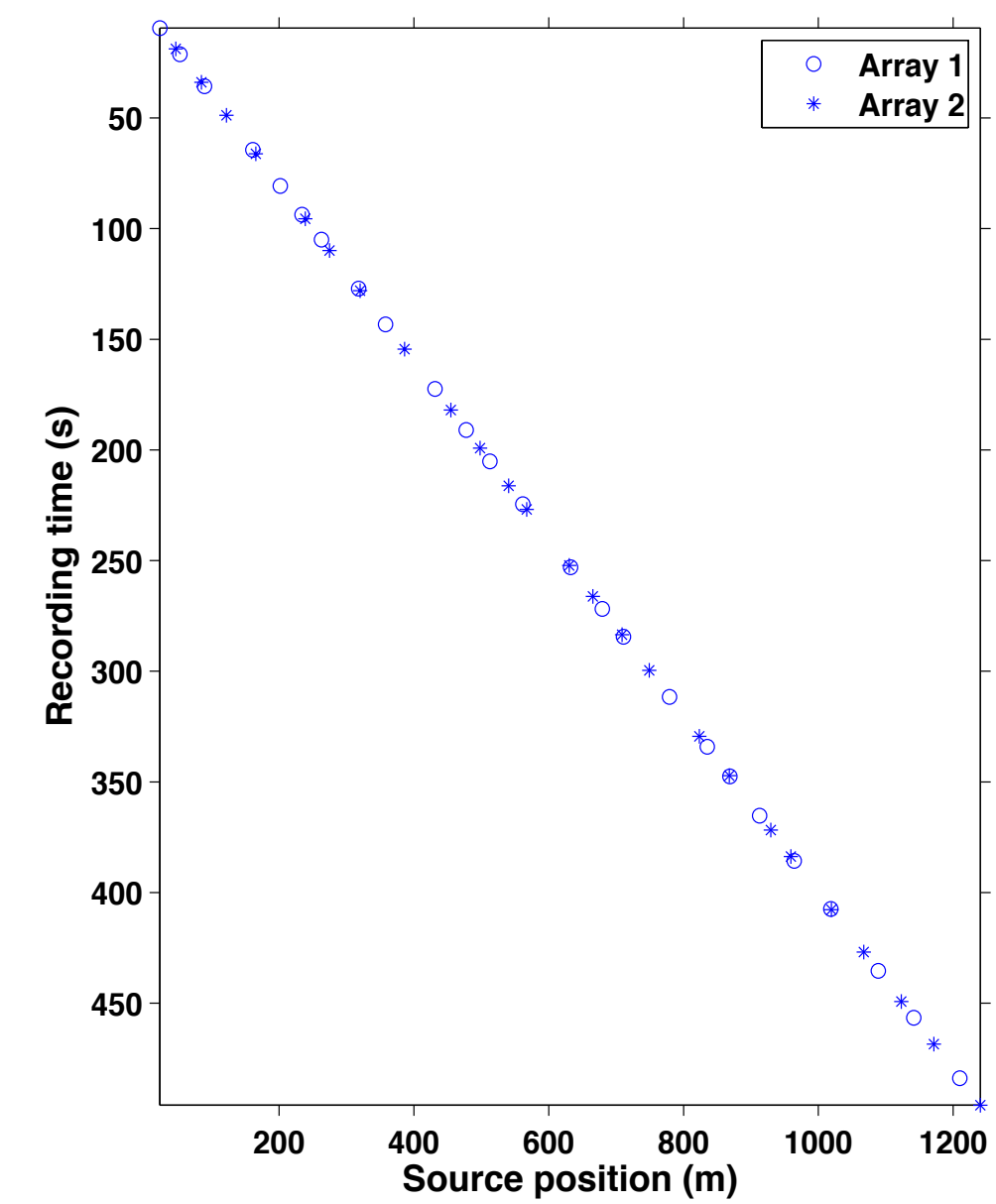
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jittered acquisition 1
(for baseline)



jittered acquisition 2
(for monitor)



shorter acquisition time

geometry is not the same

Sample baseline and monitor
randomly and independently

Parallel
processing

Joint
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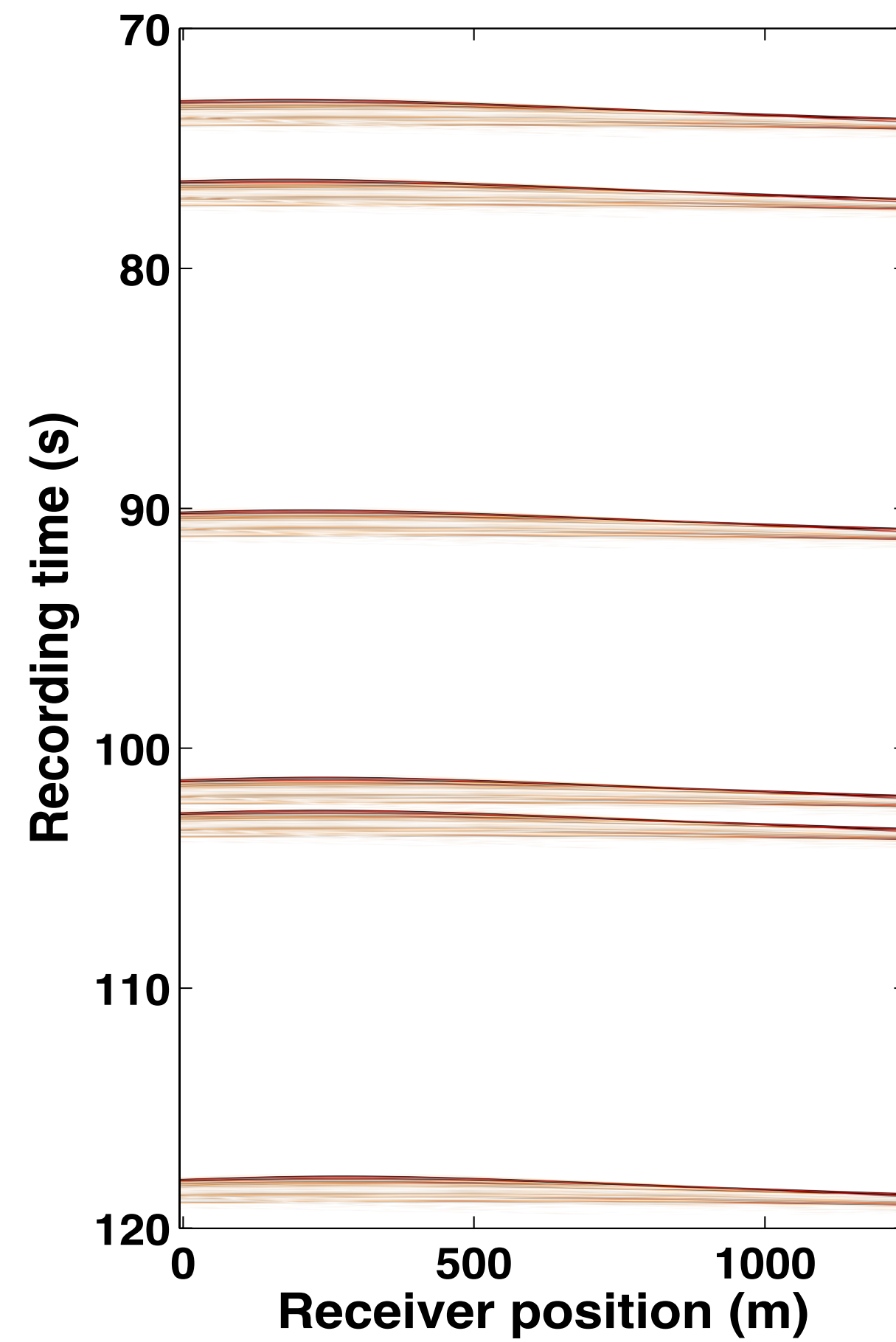
Compare results

Repeat experiment for
different overlap in source
points

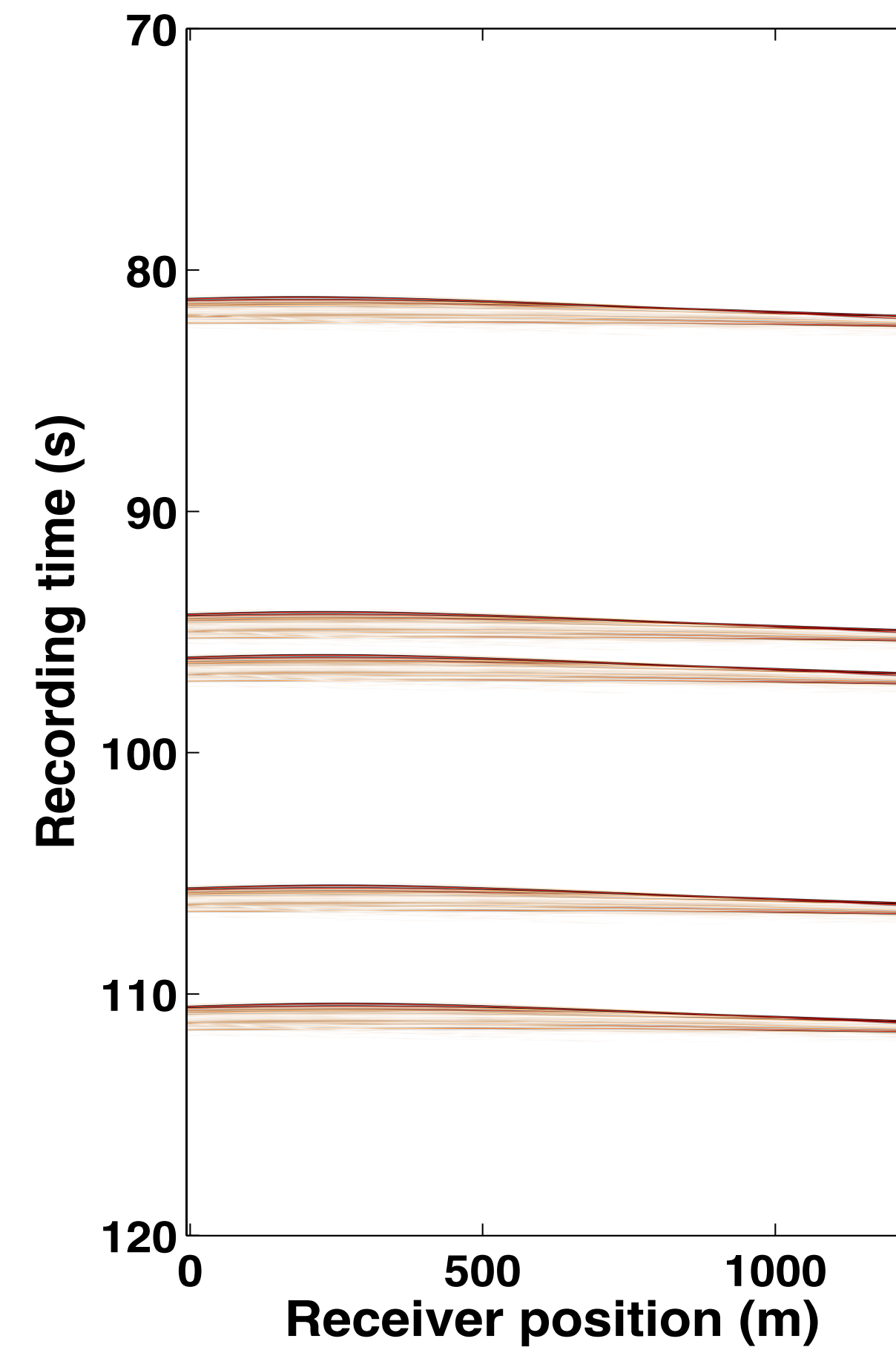
Measurements

– *undersampled and blended*

baseline



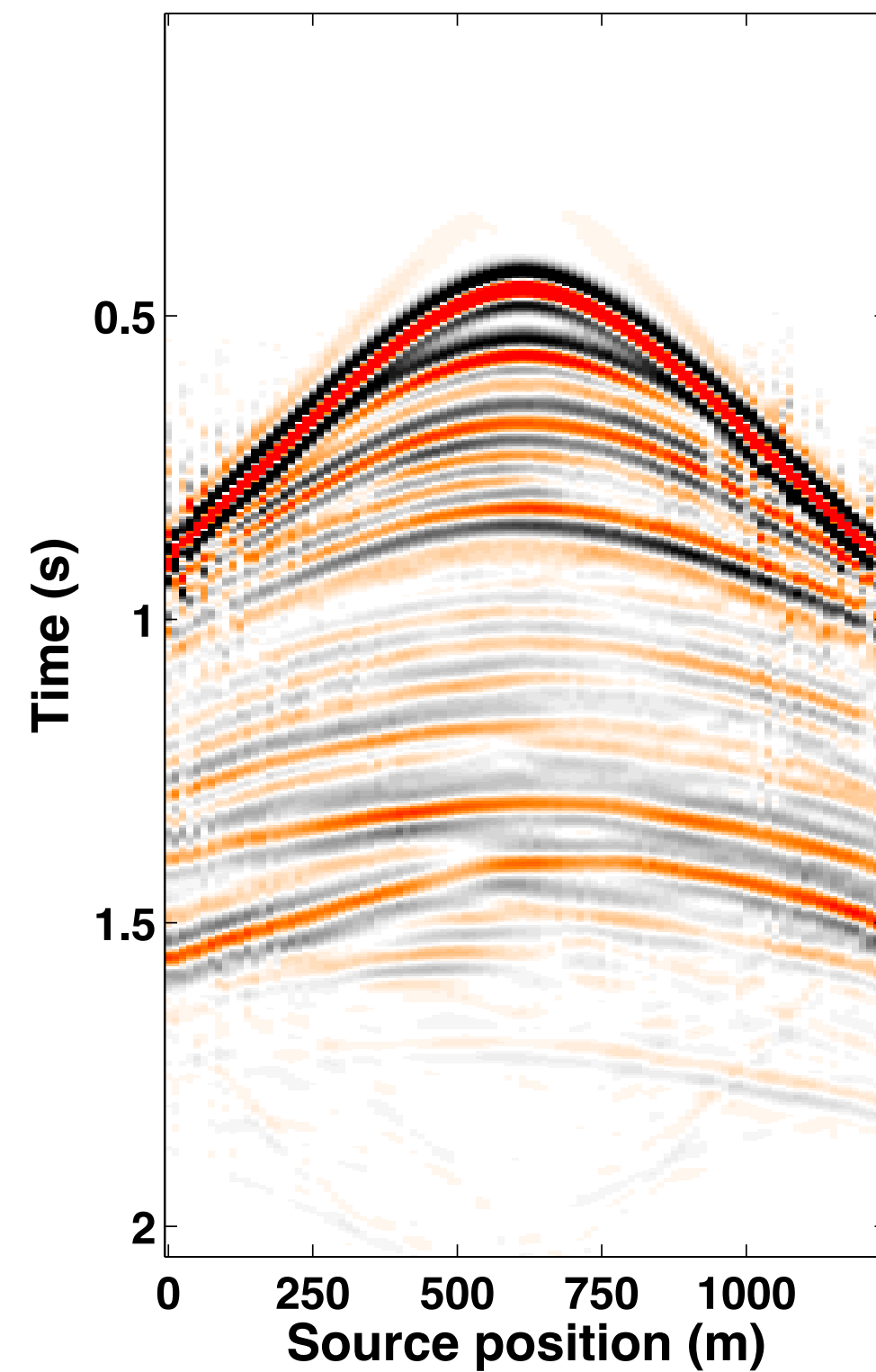
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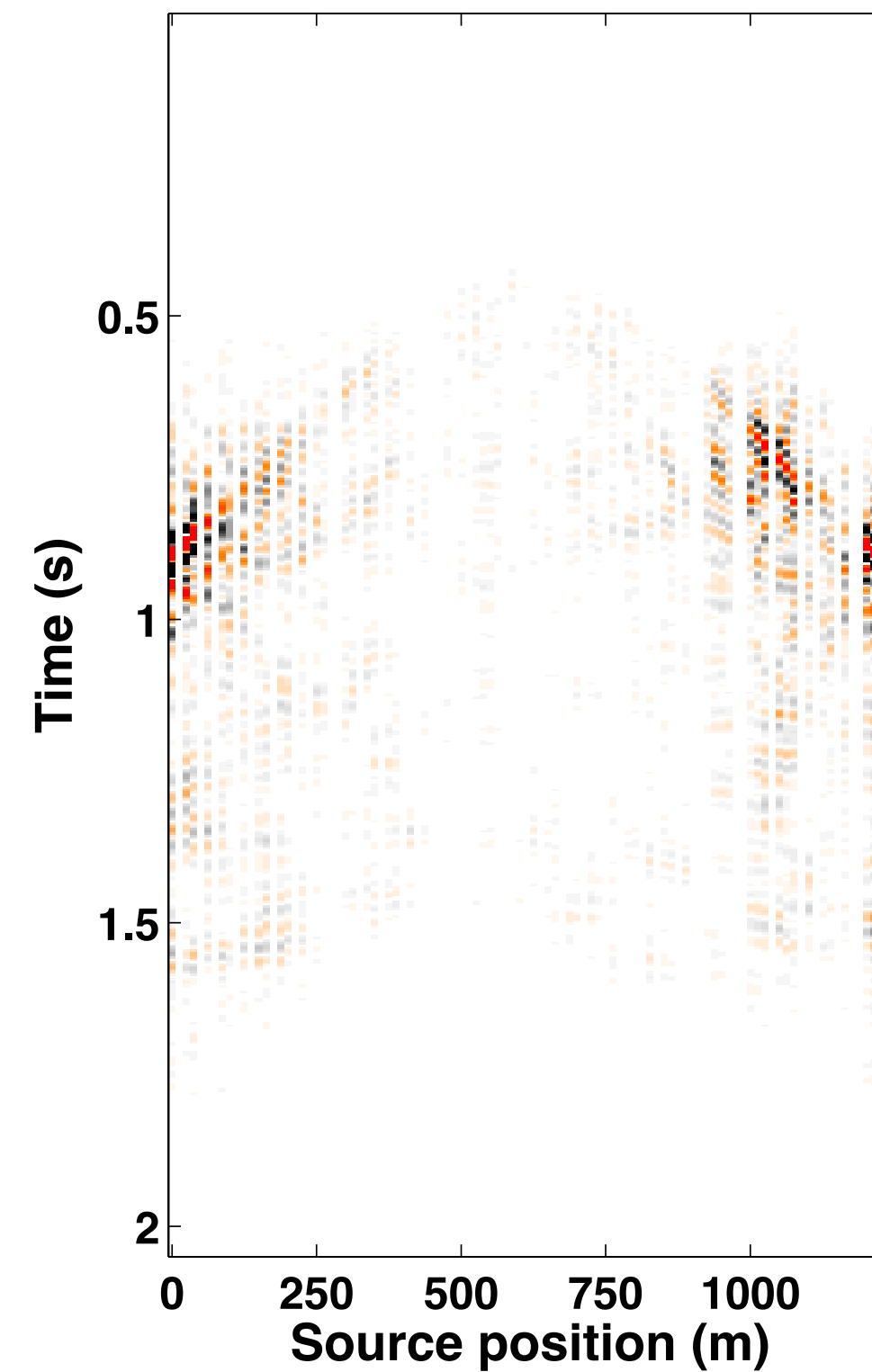
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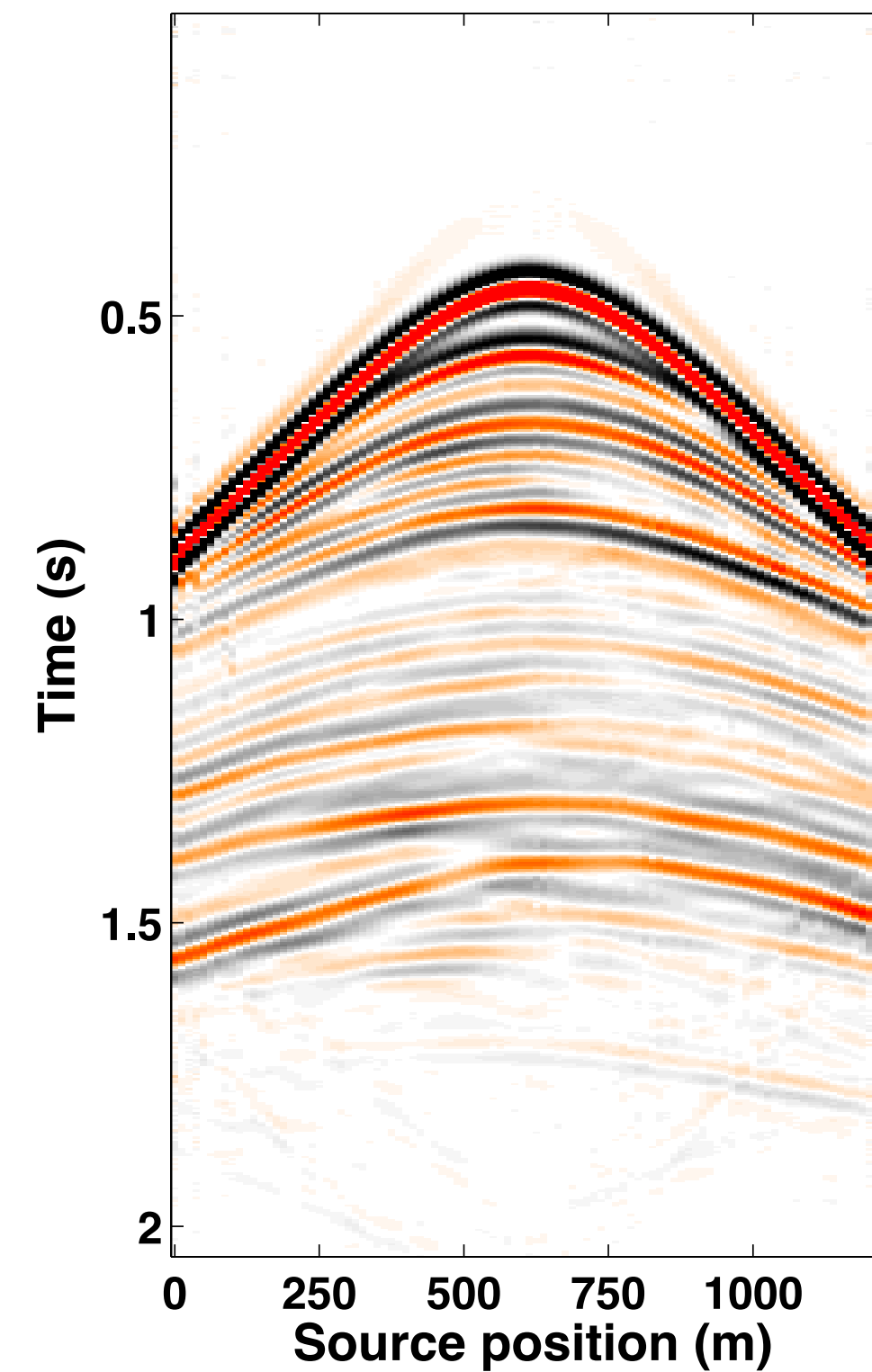
Parallel
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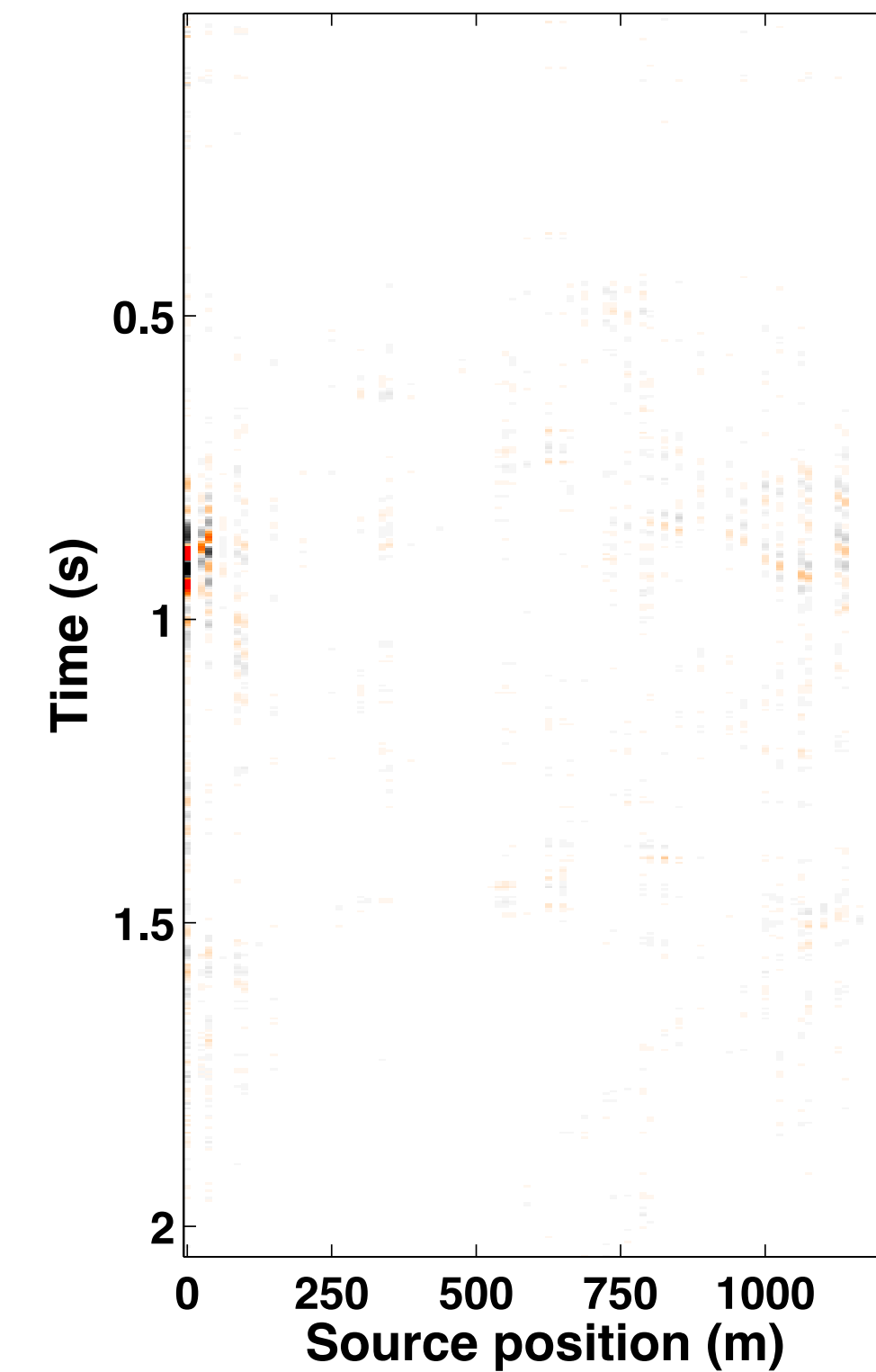
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Joint
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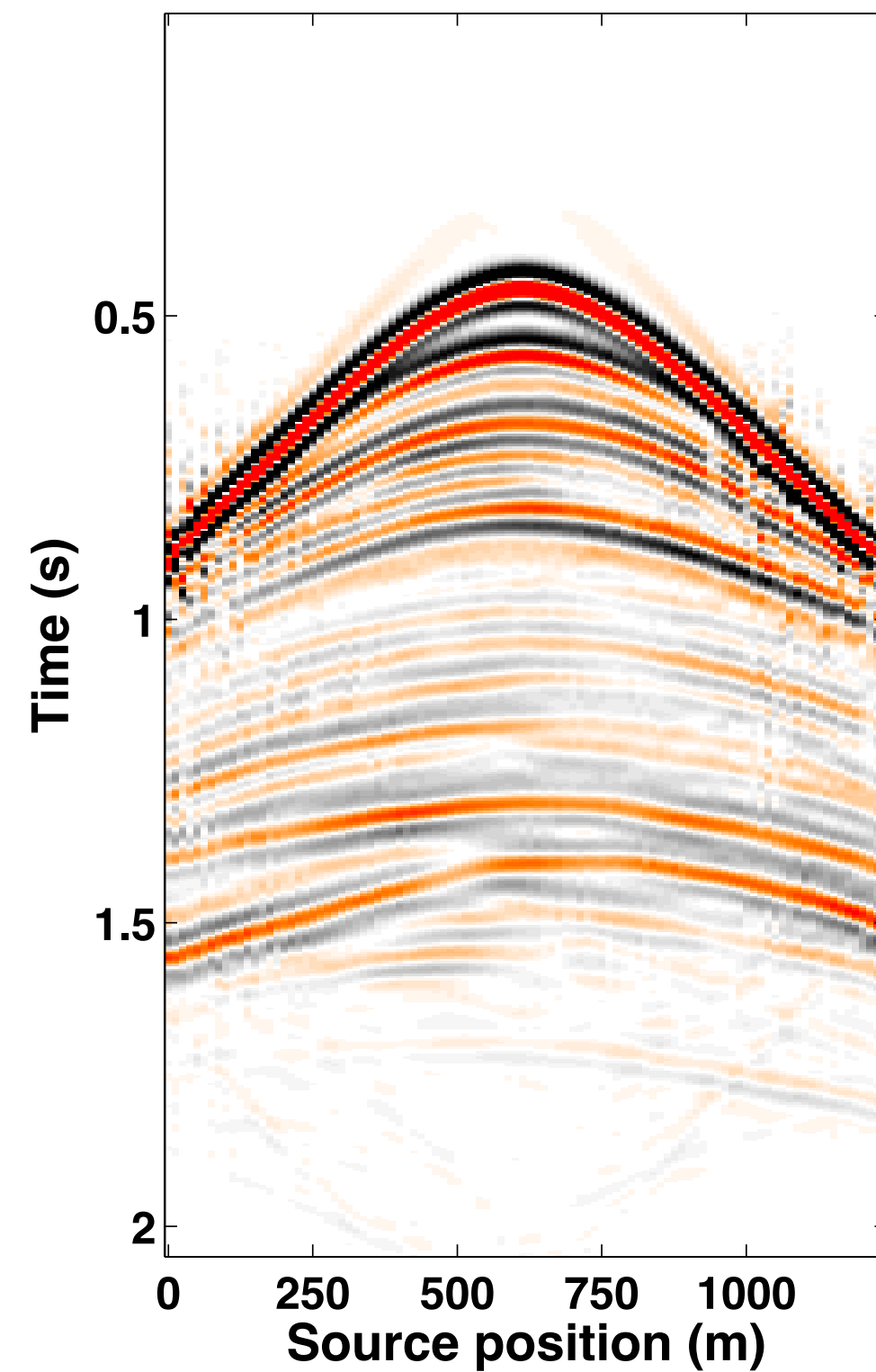
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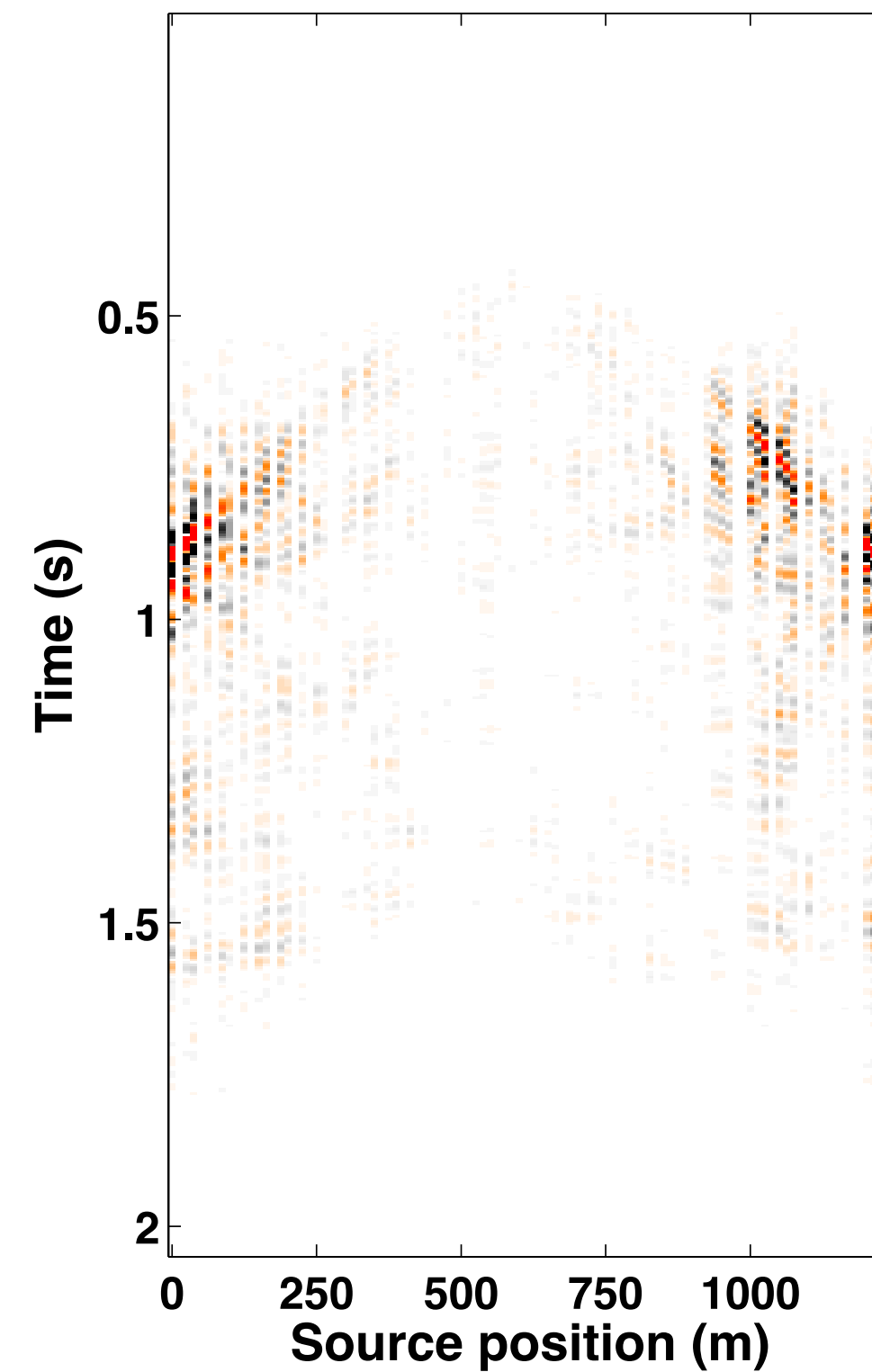
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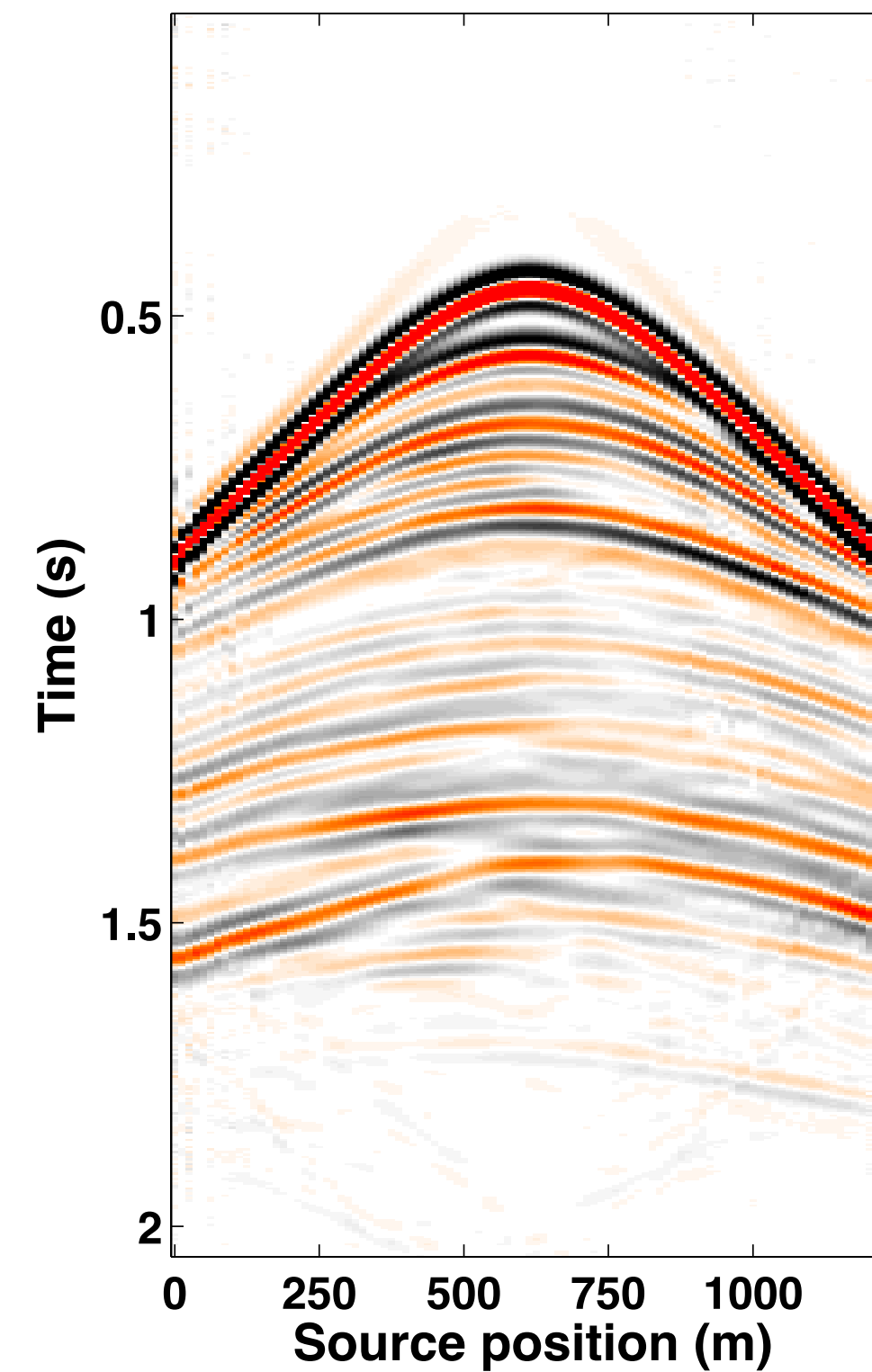
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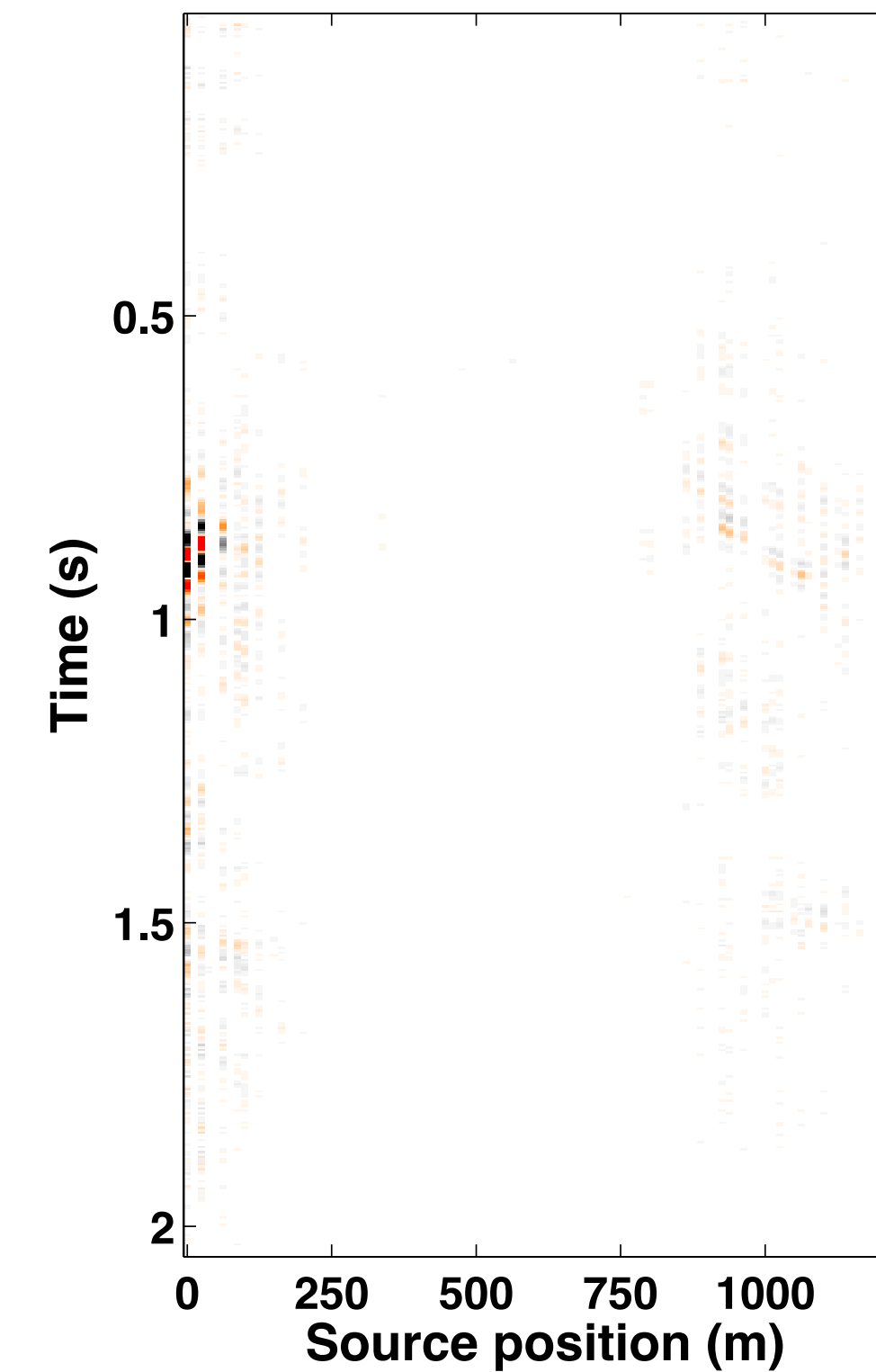
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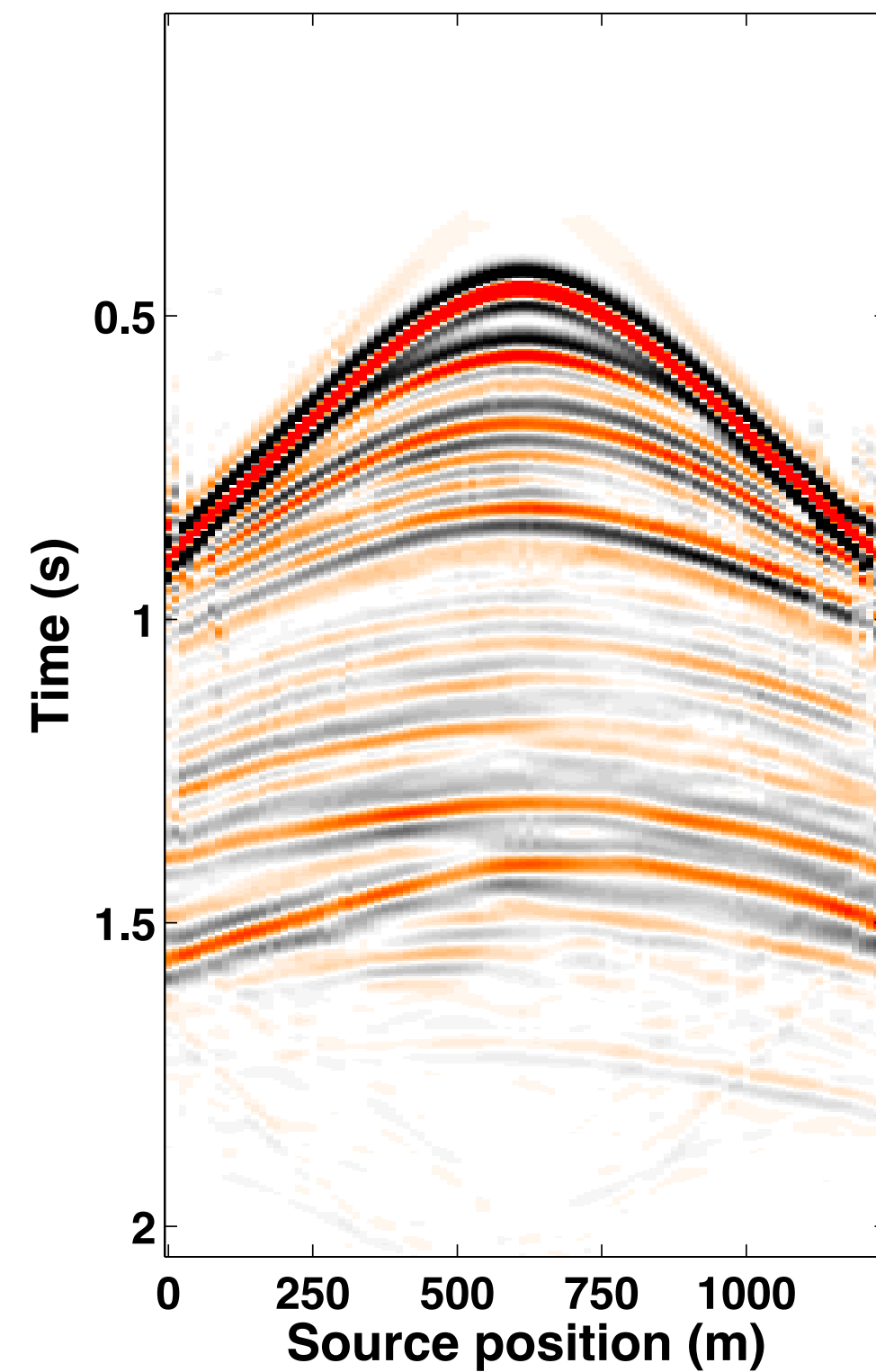
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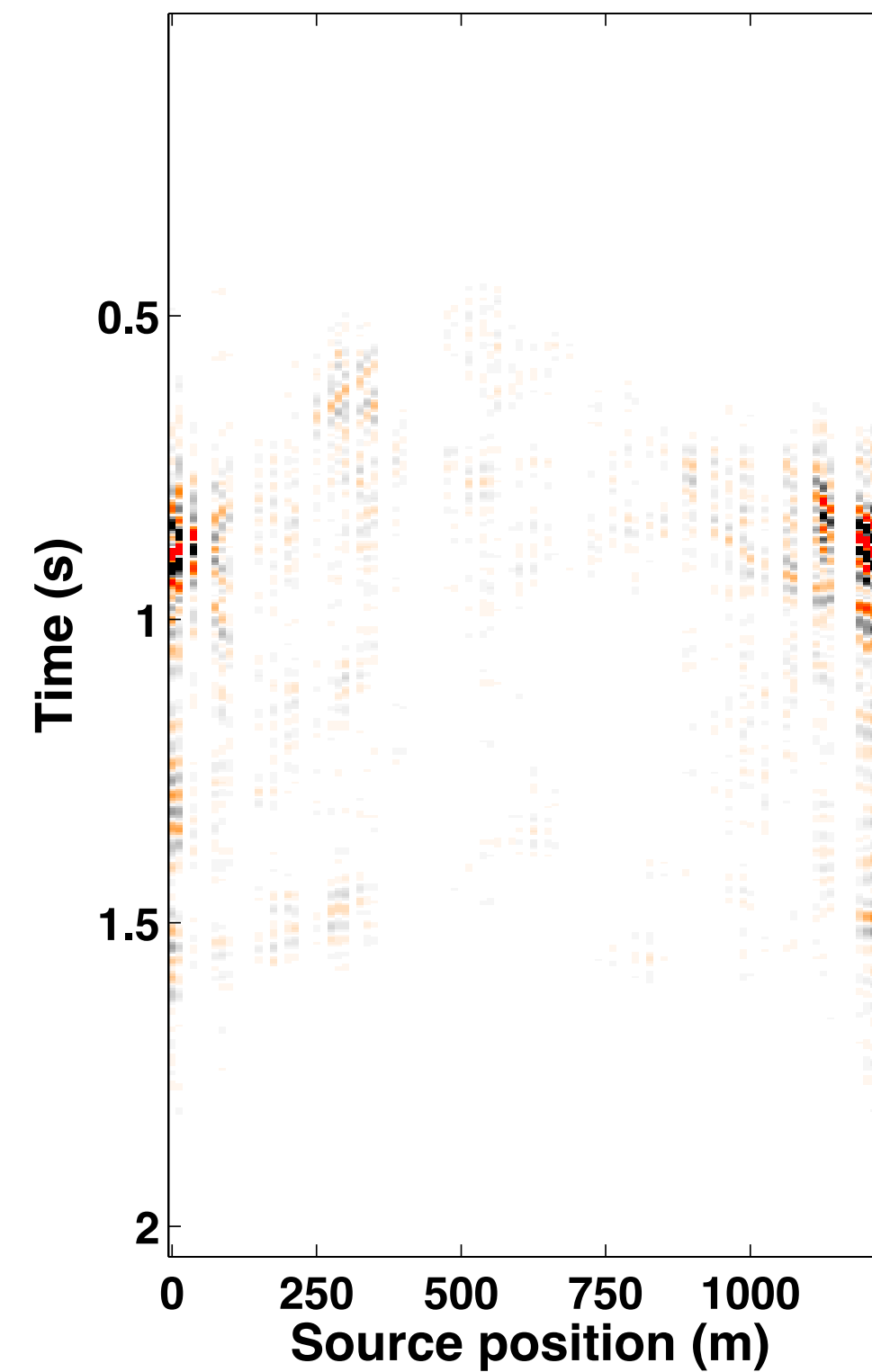
Monitor recovery

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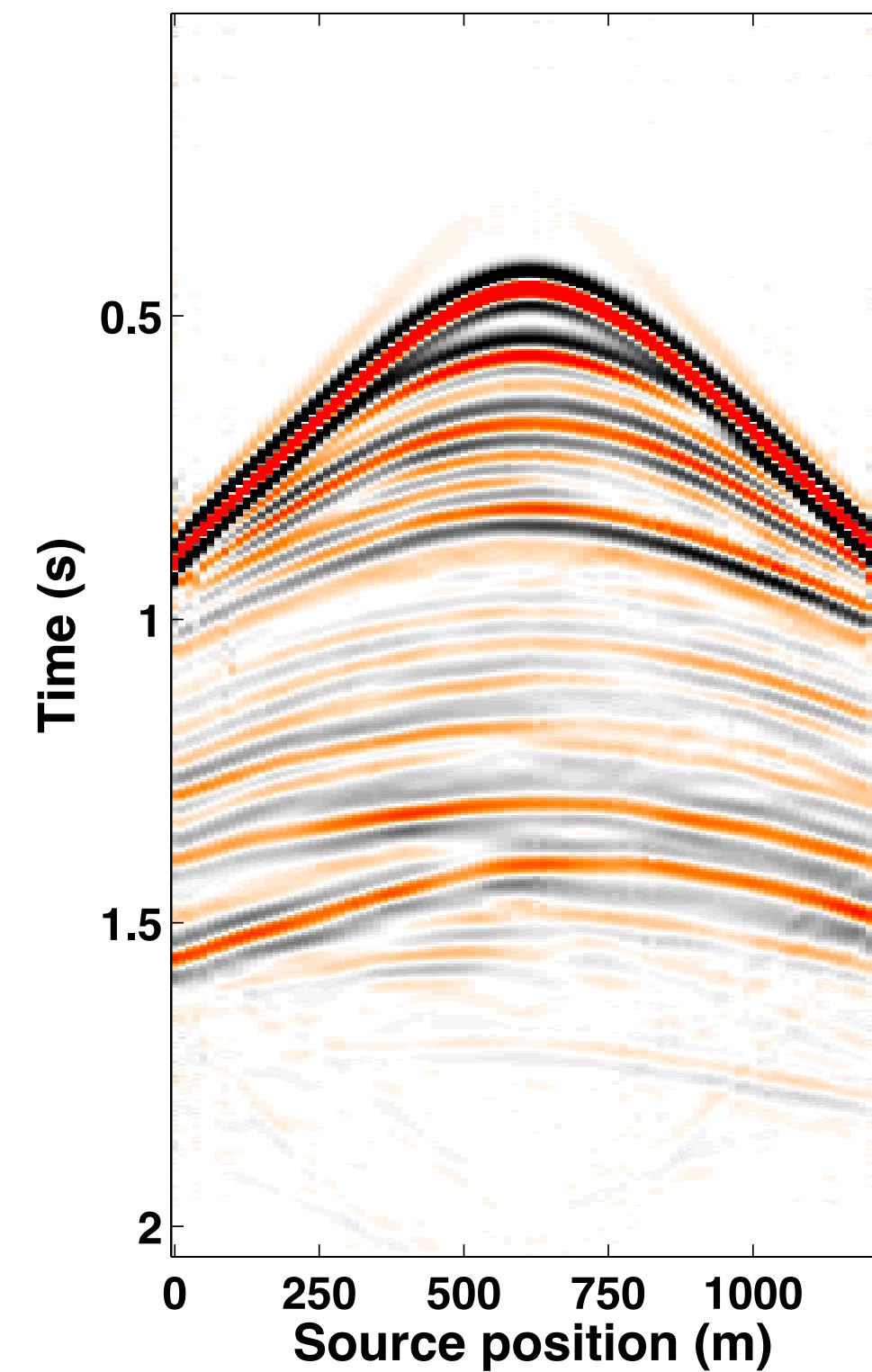
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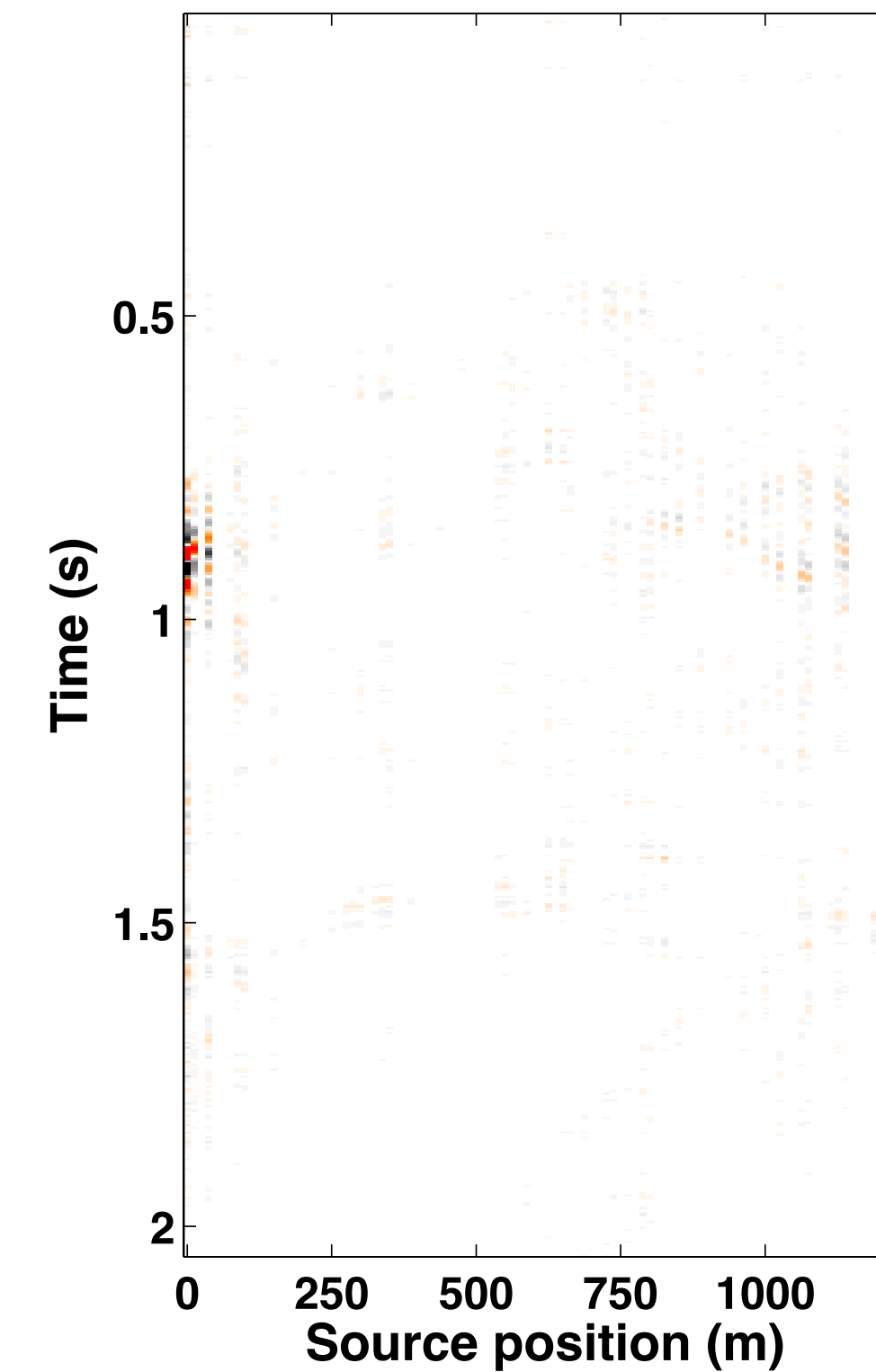
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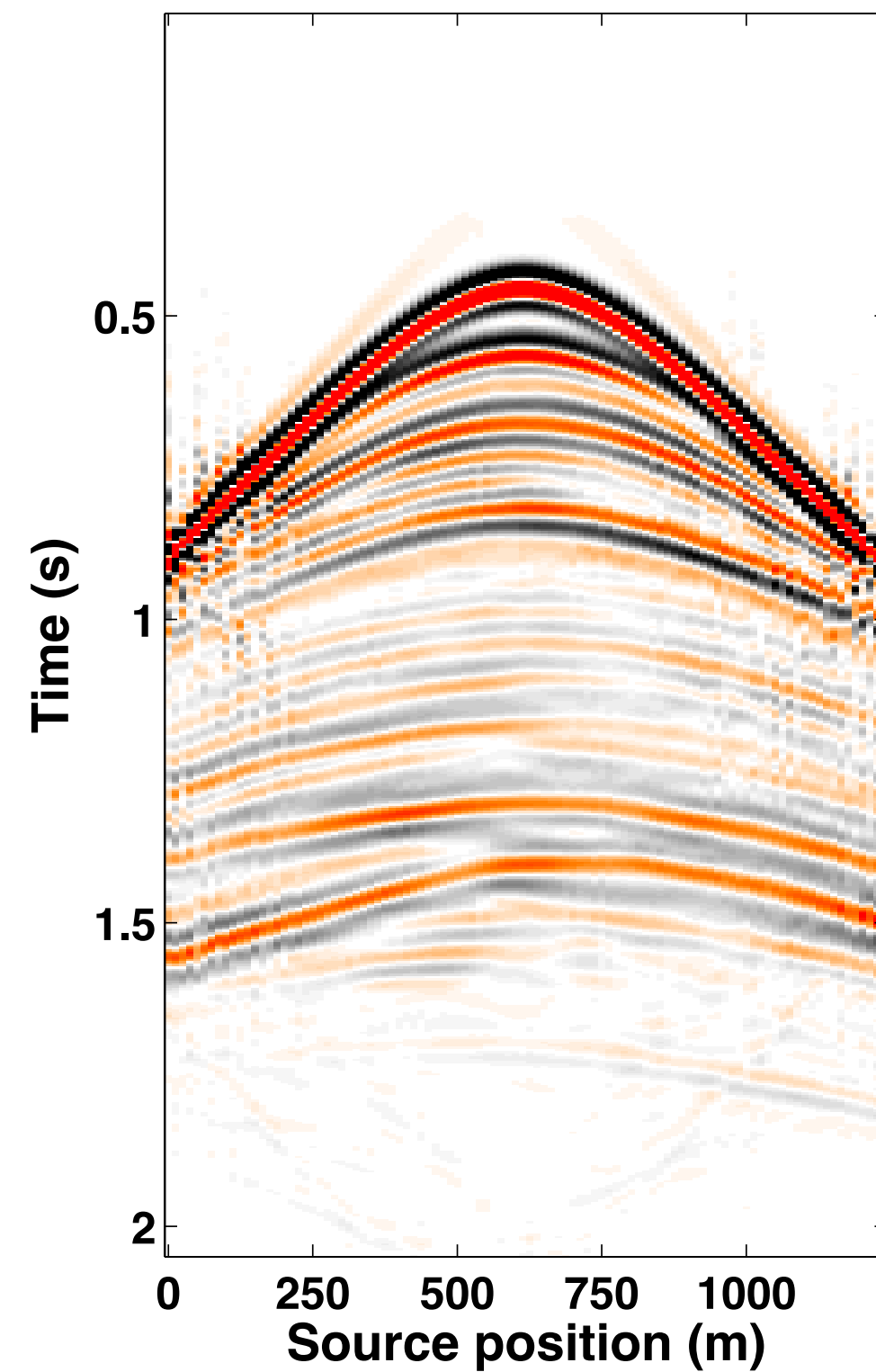
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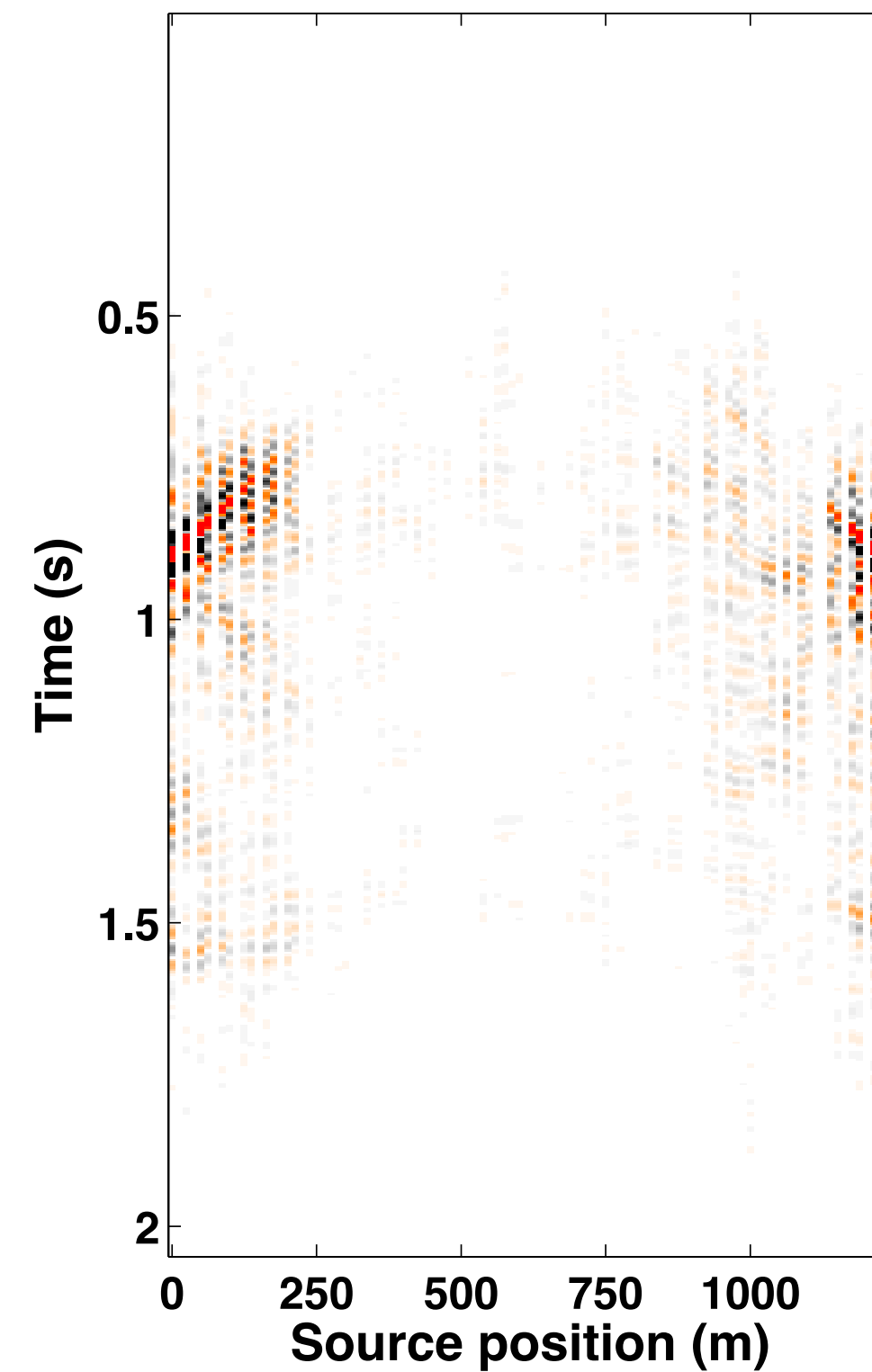
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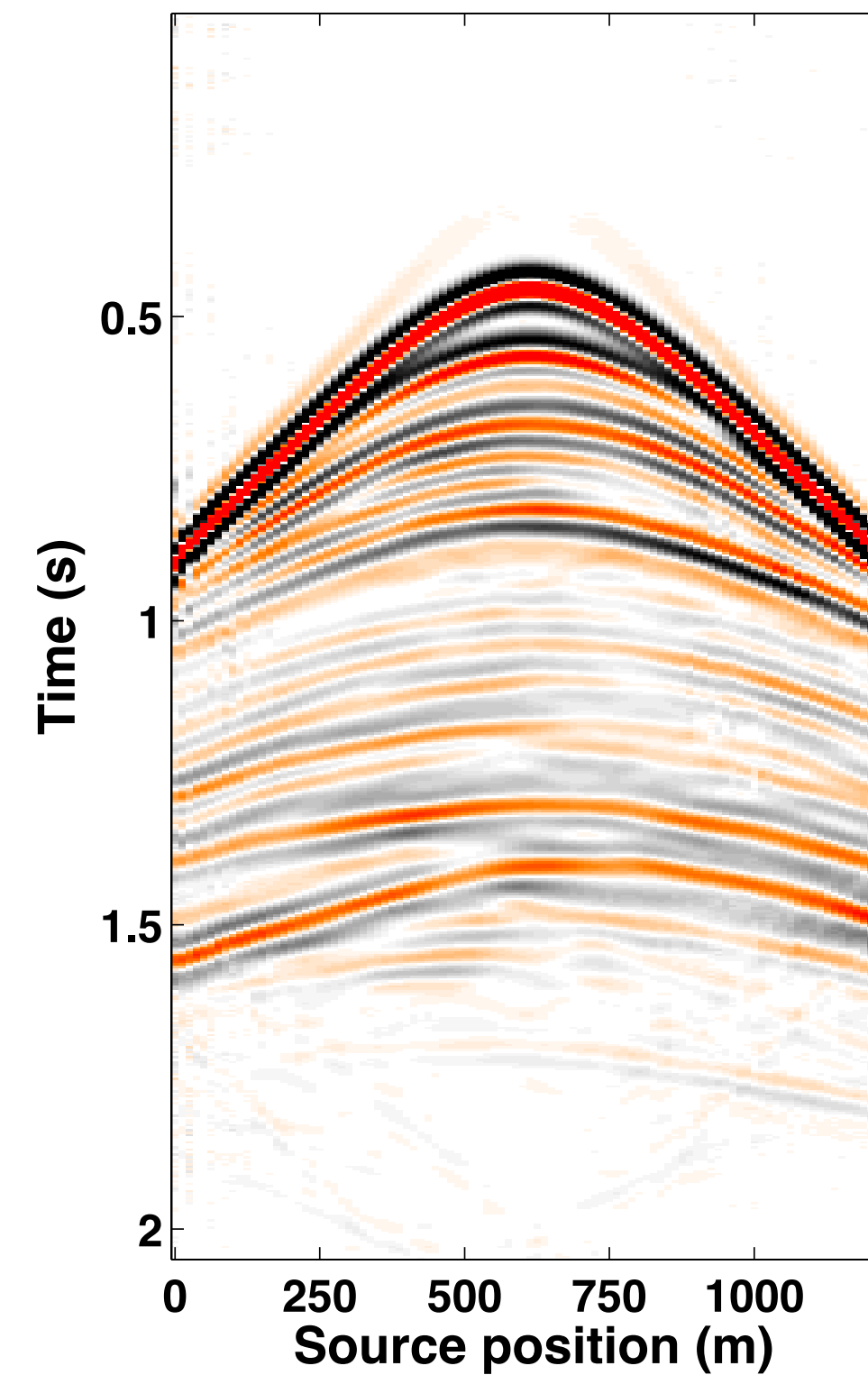
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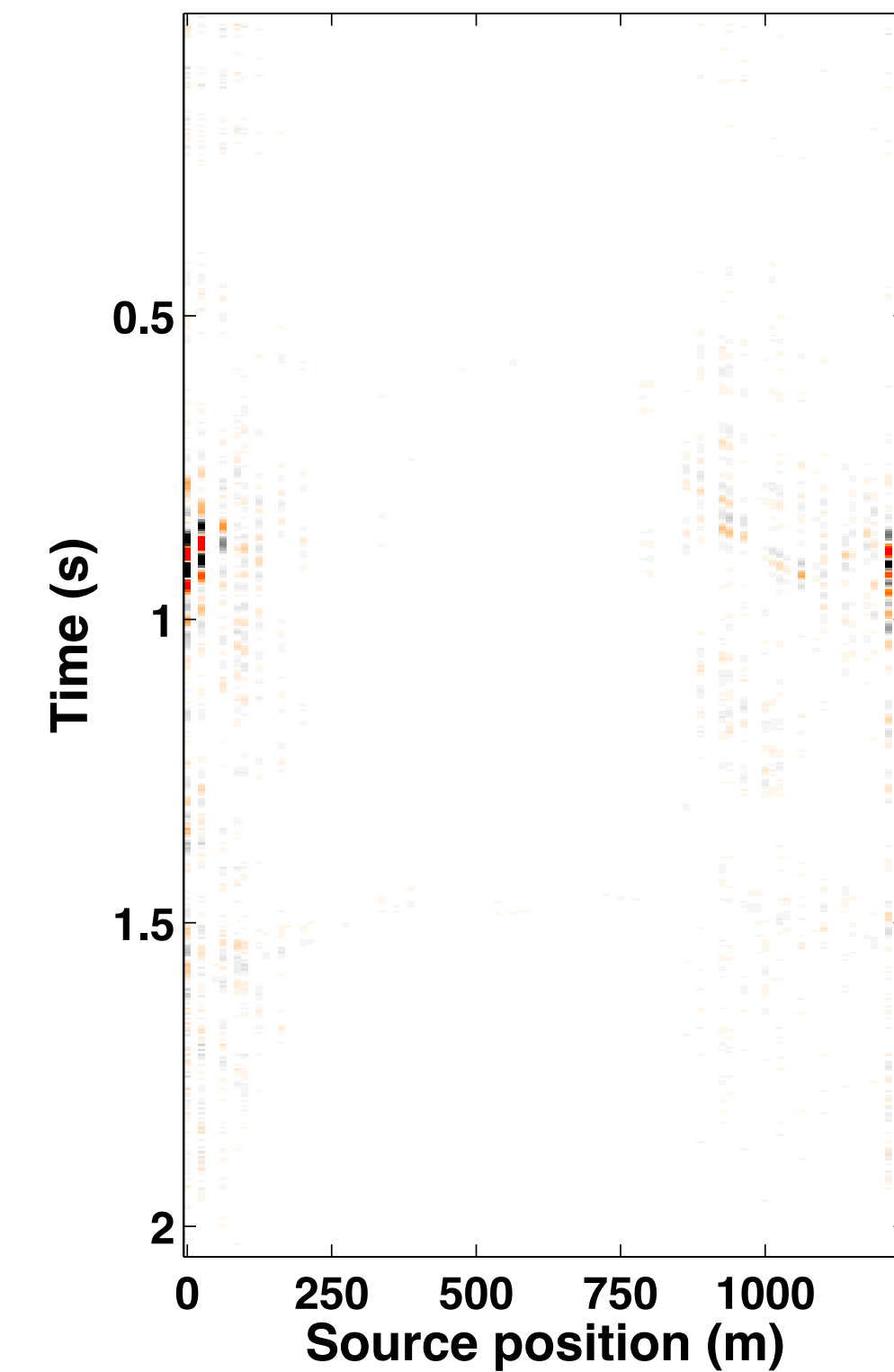
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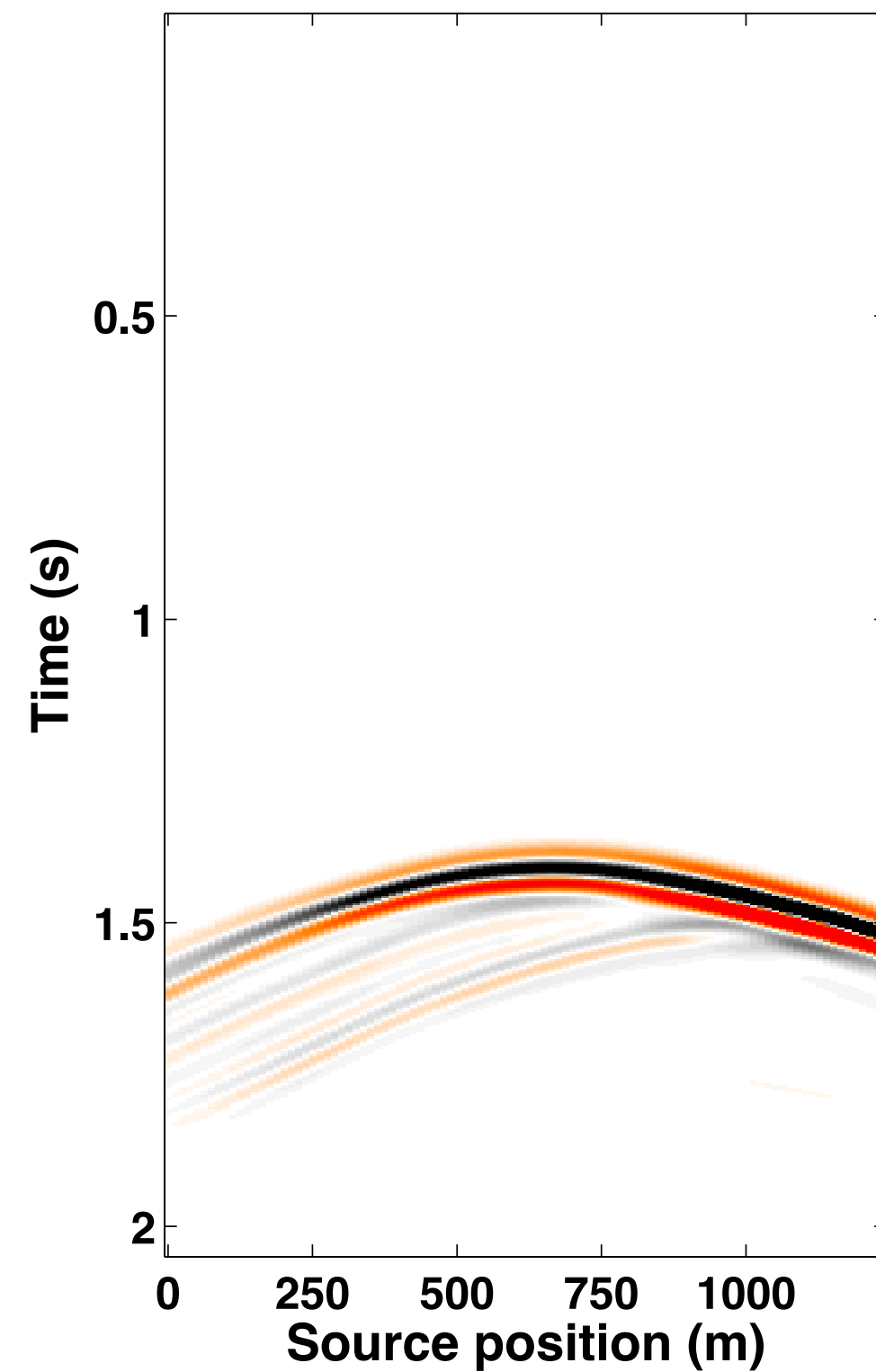
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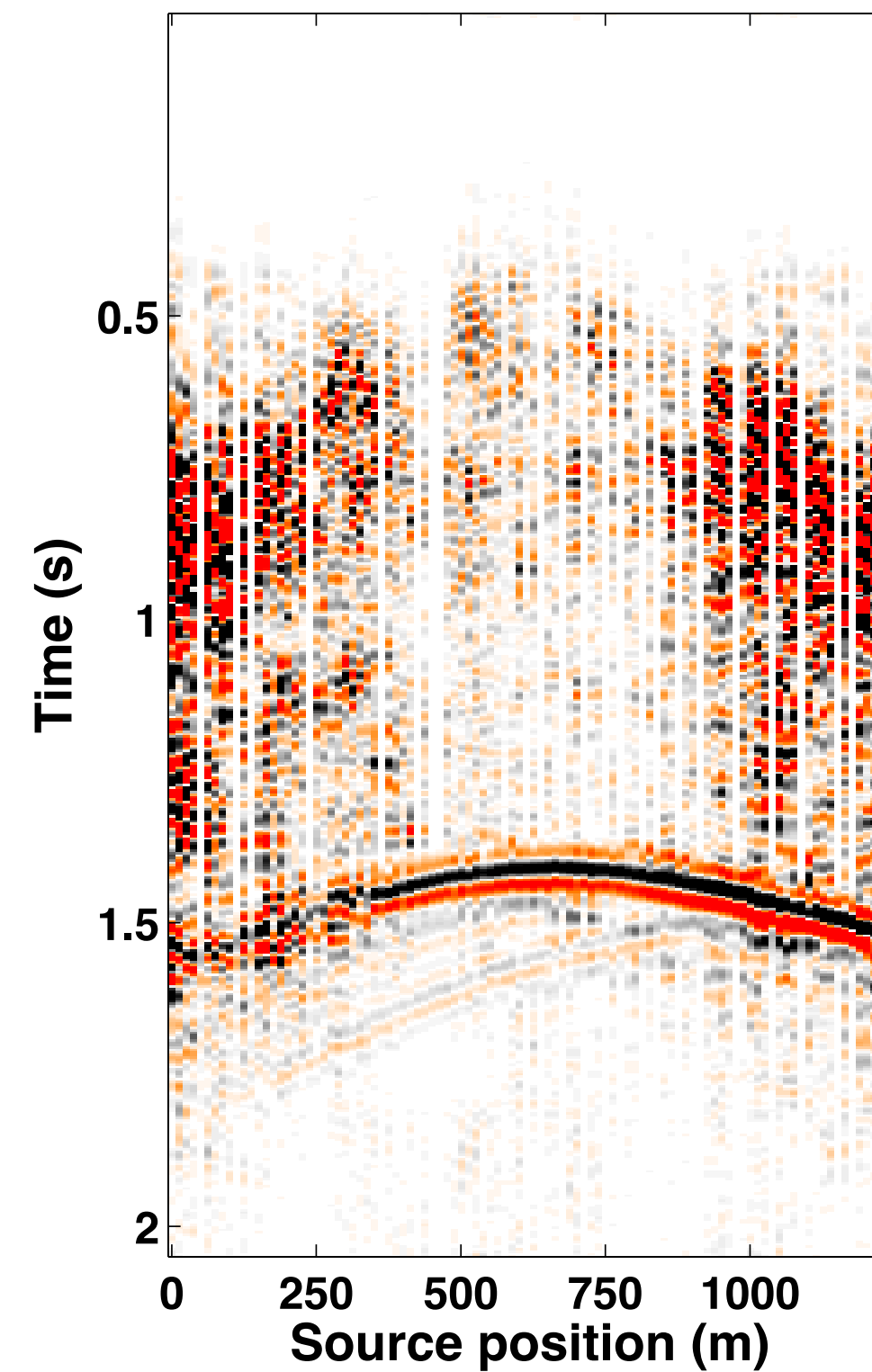
4-D recovery

- 50% overlap in acquisition matrices

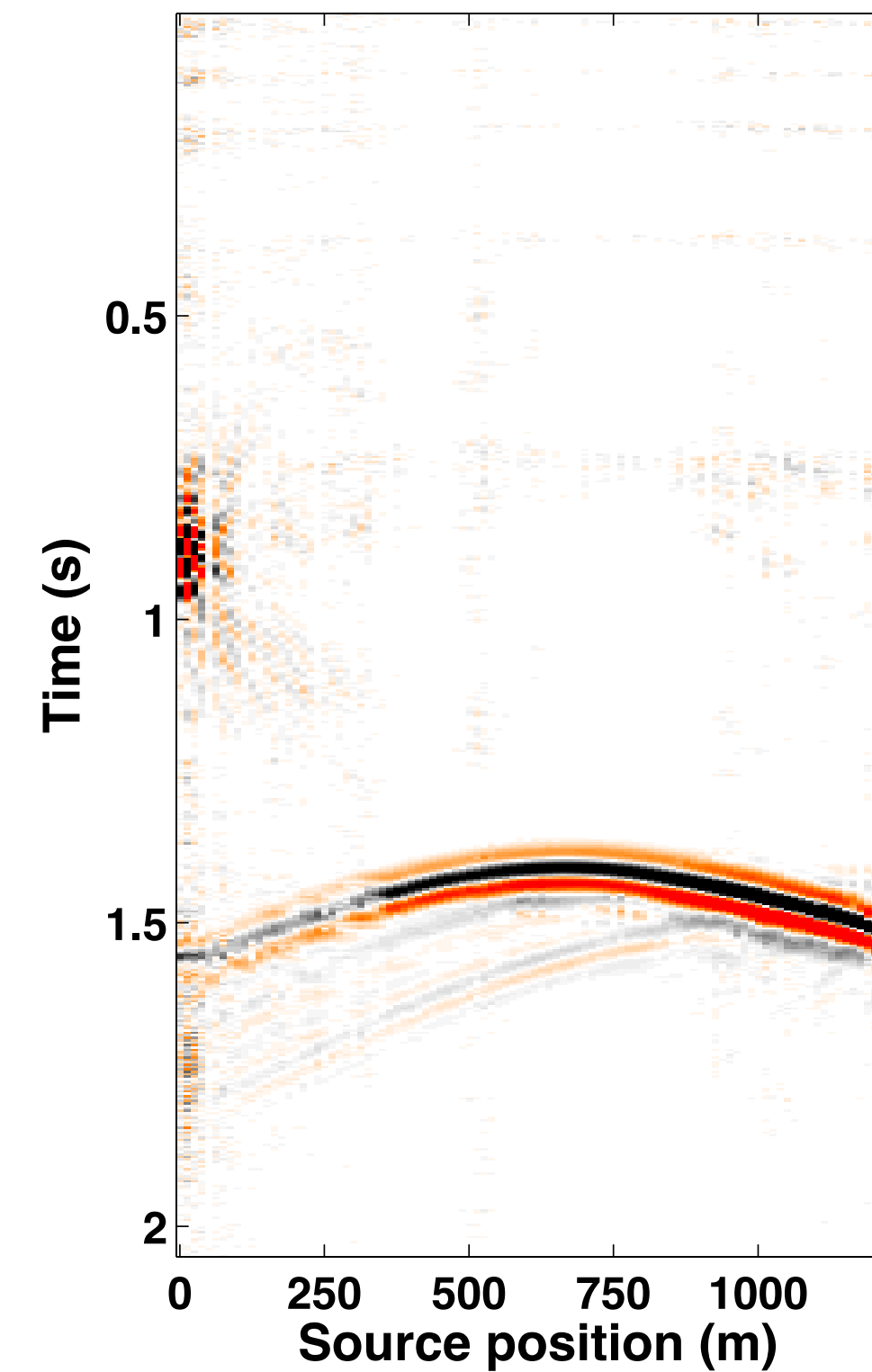
Original



Parallel
(-16.6 dB)



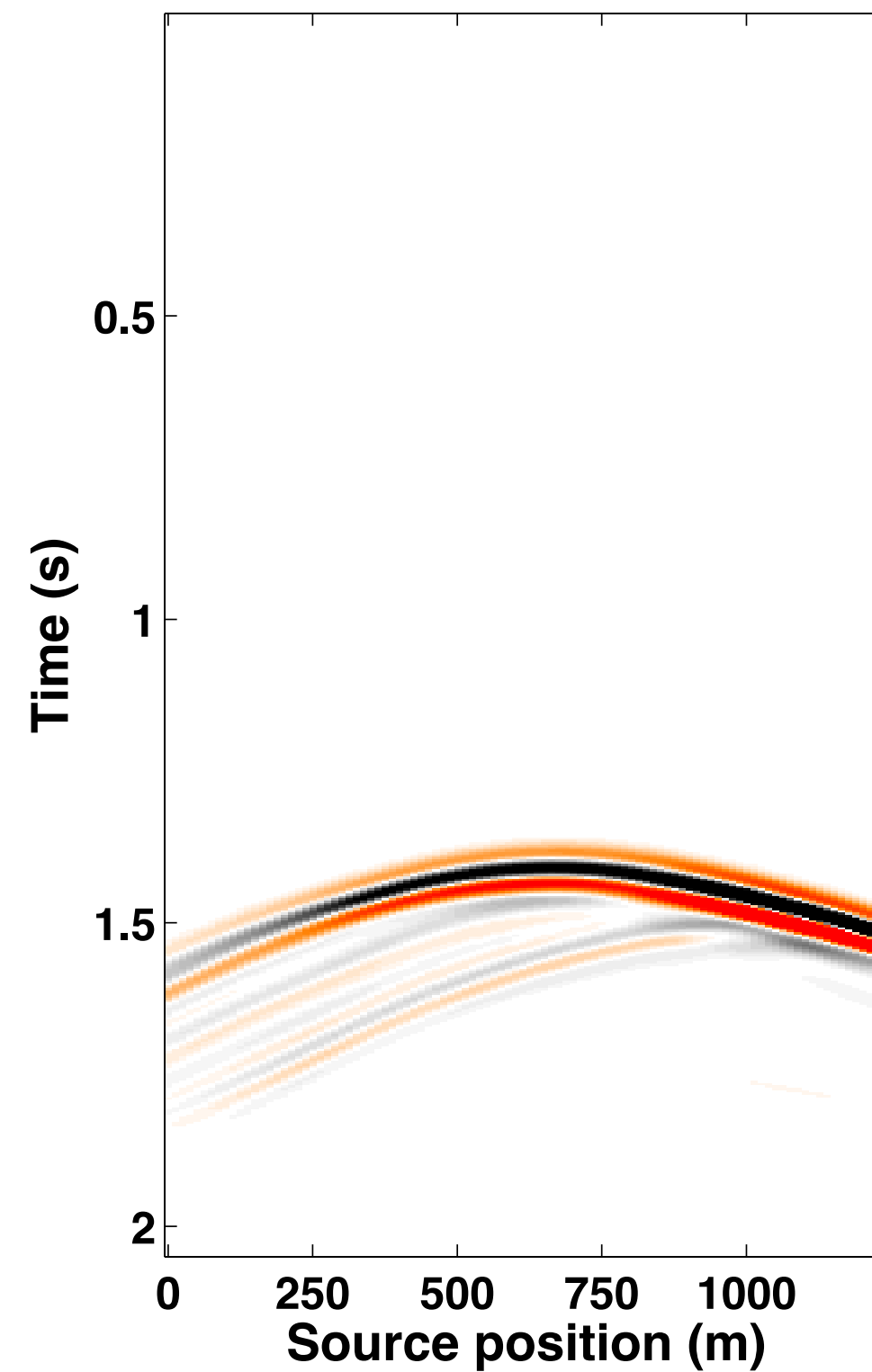
Joint
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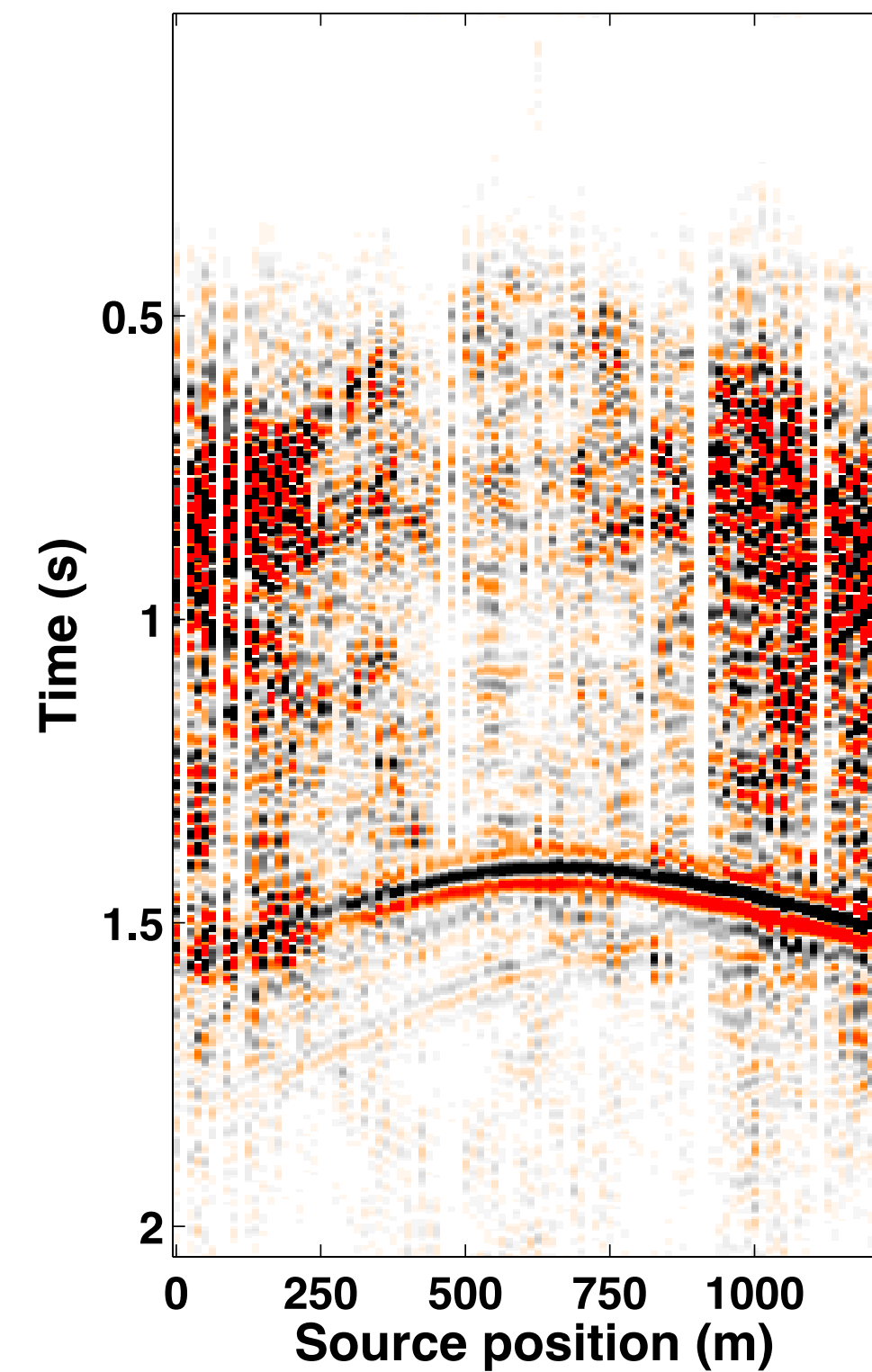
4-D recovery

- 20% overlap in acquisition matrices

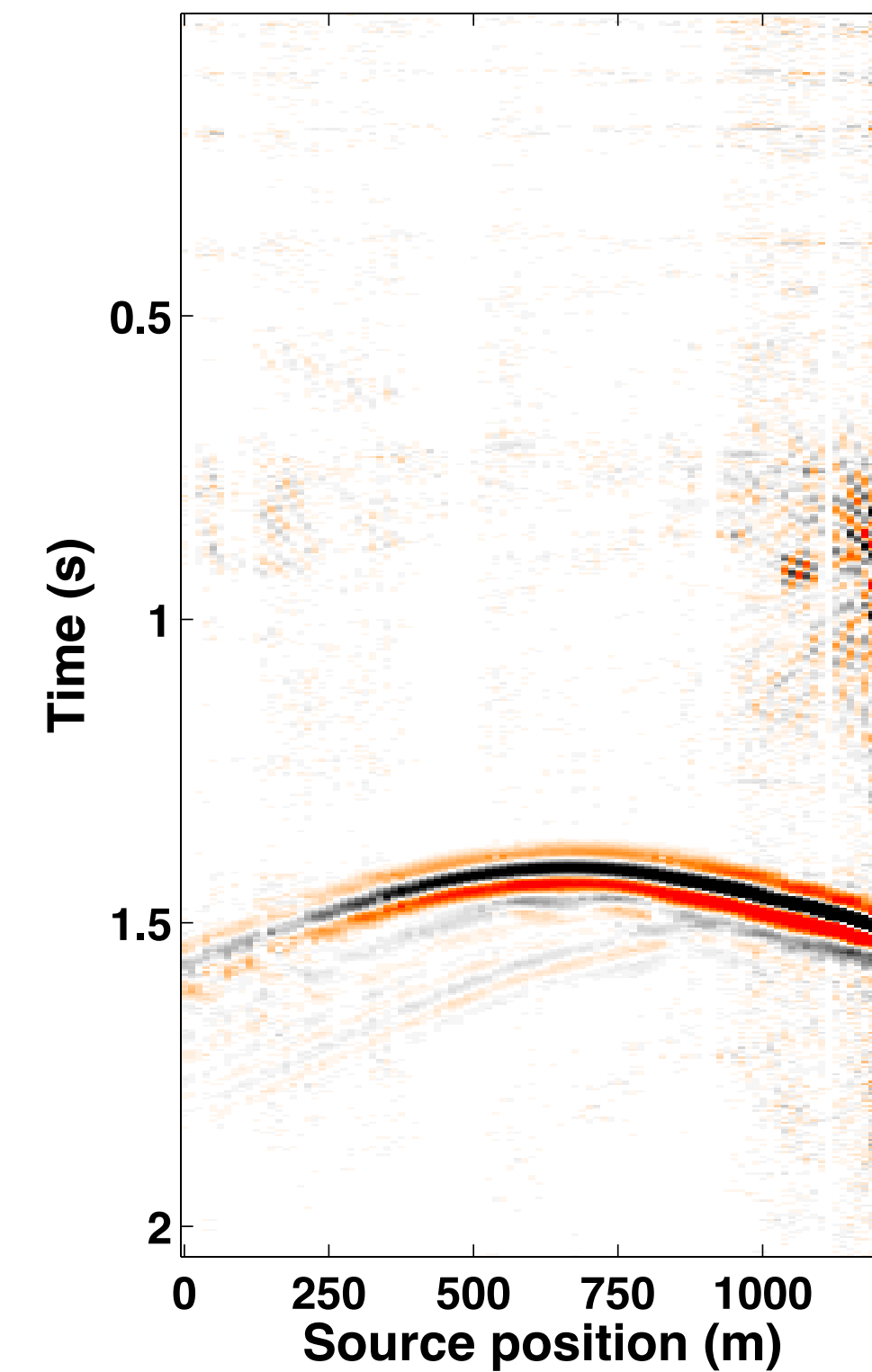
Original



Parallel
(-18.4 dB)

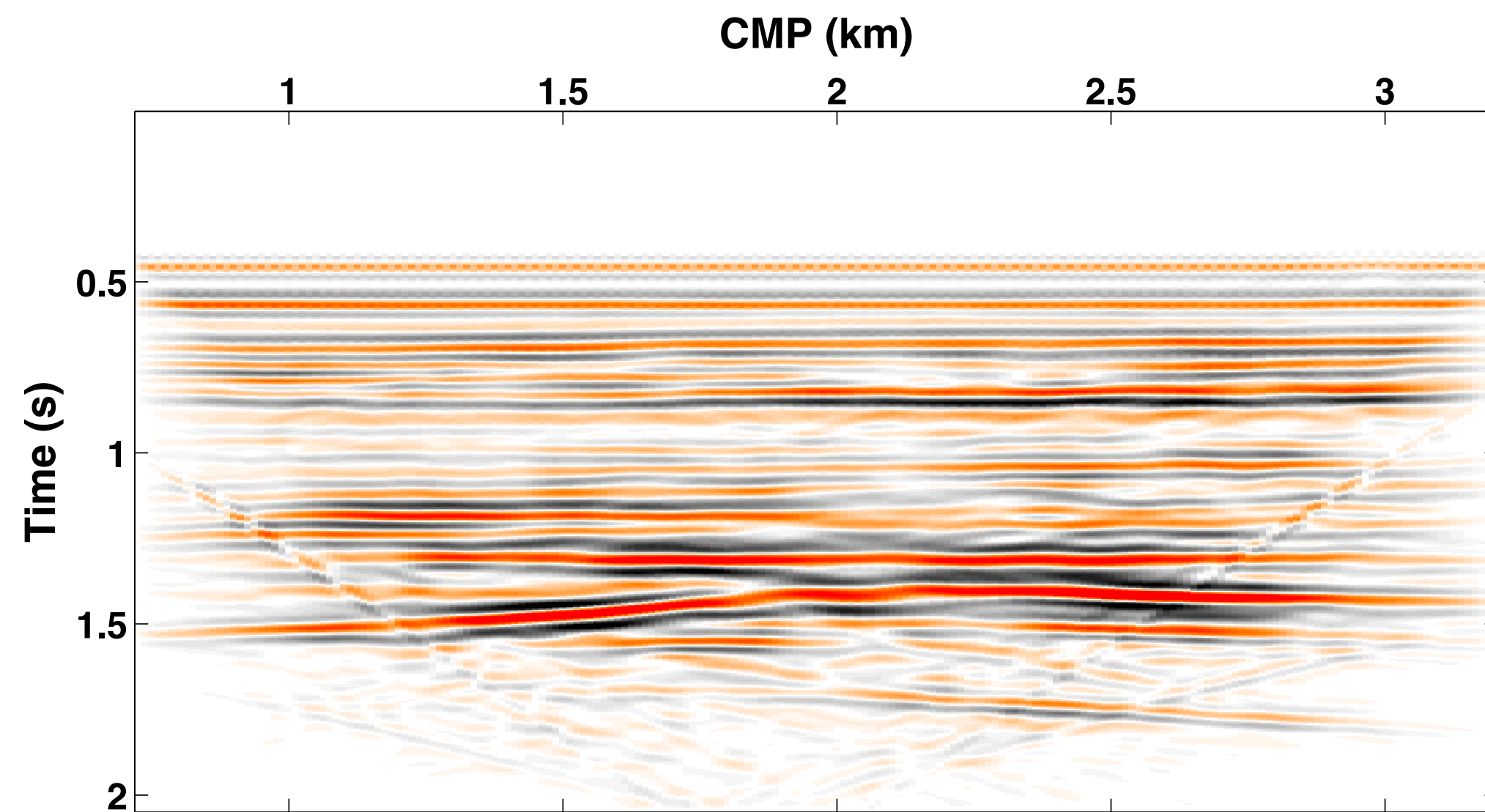


Joint
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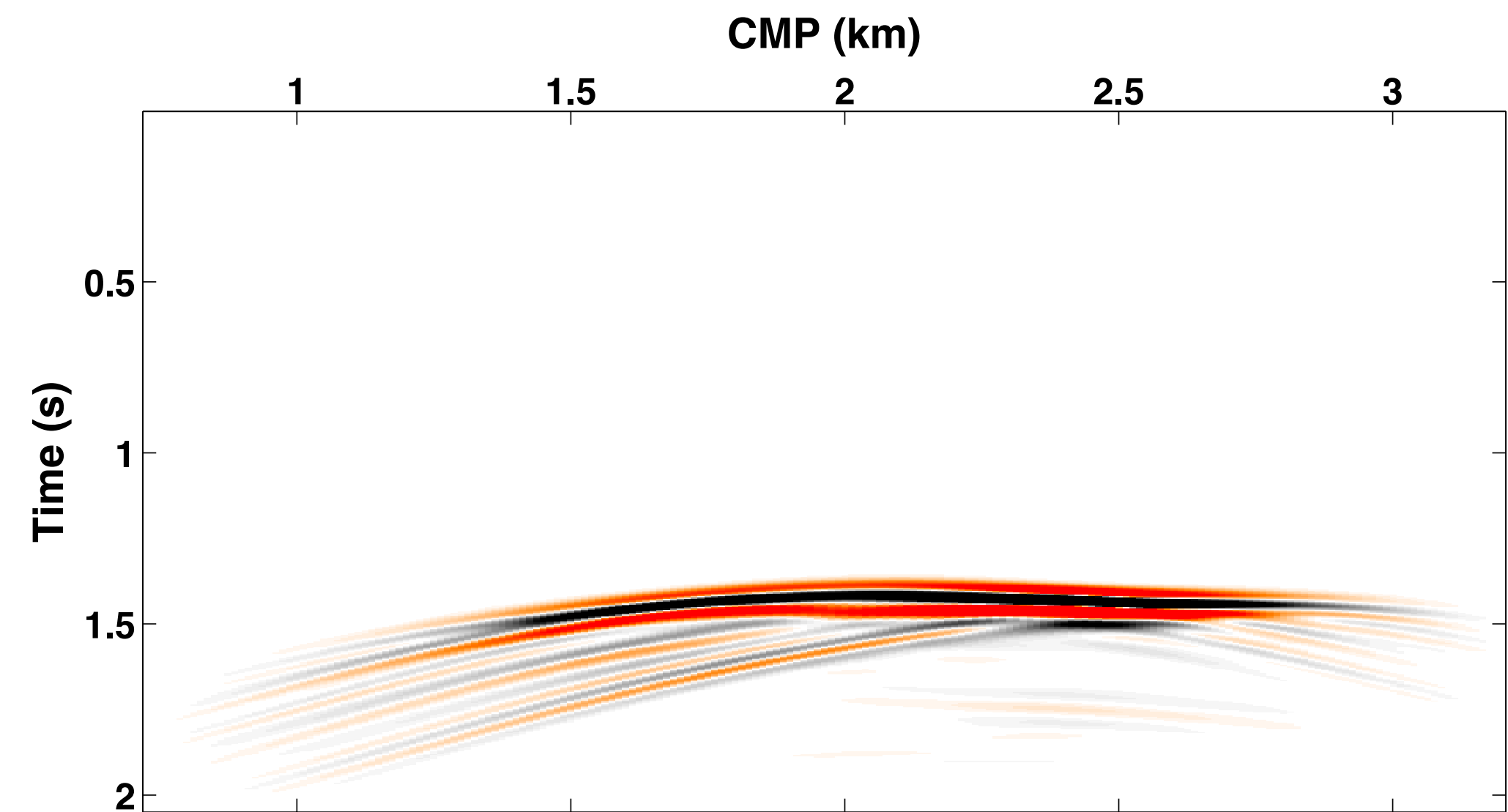


Stacked sections

Original baseline

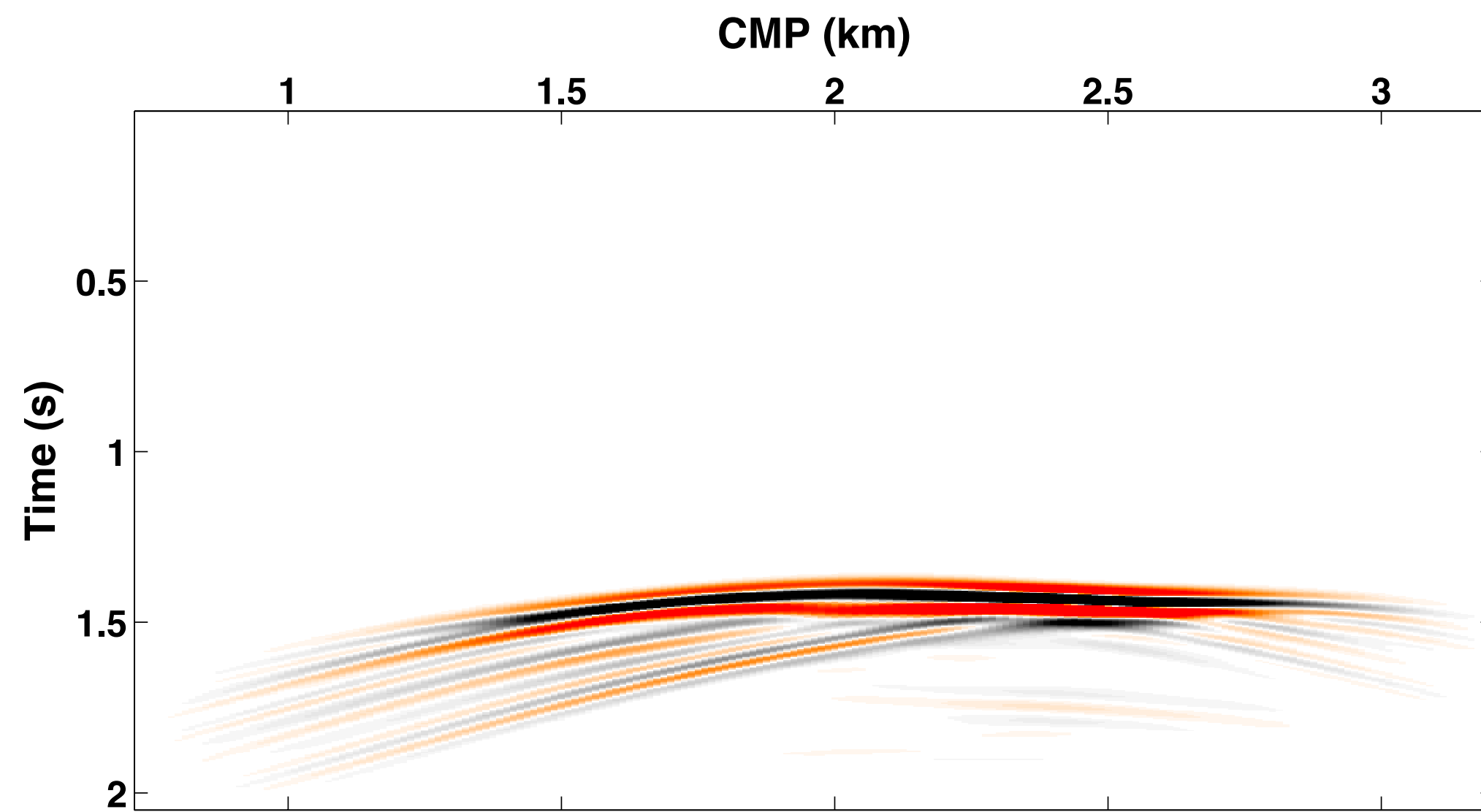


Original 4-D signal

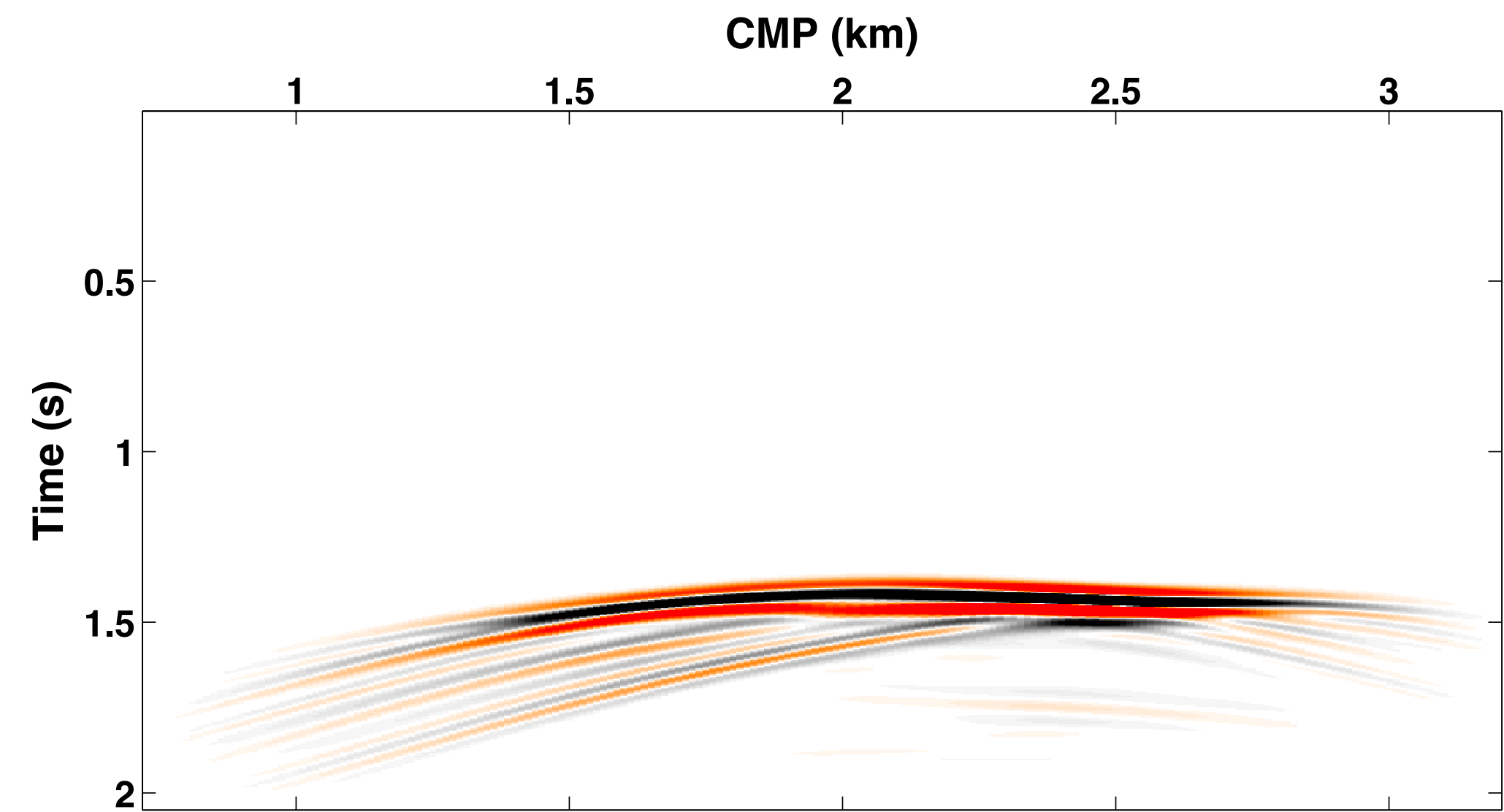


Stacked sections

Original 4-D signal



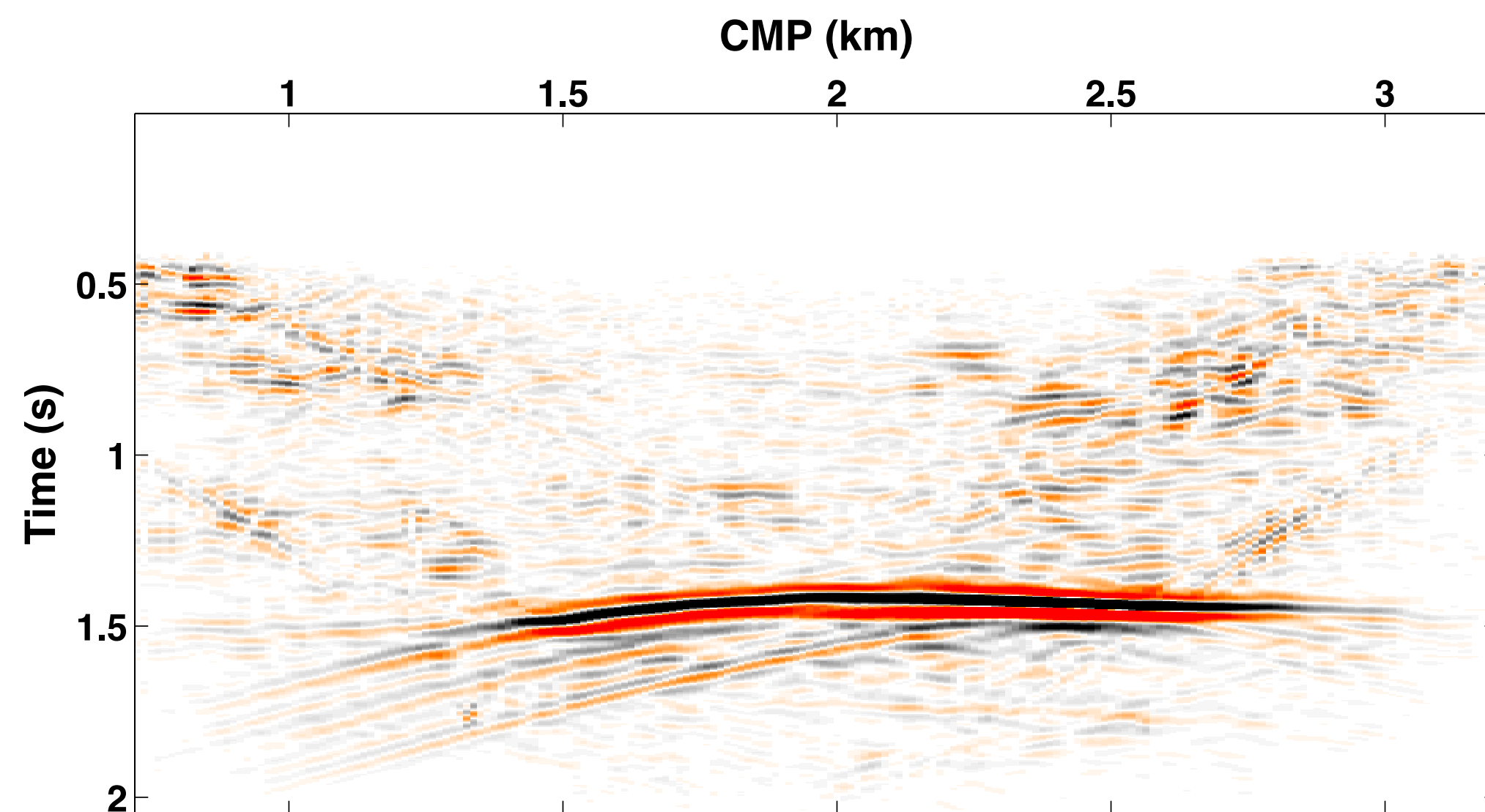
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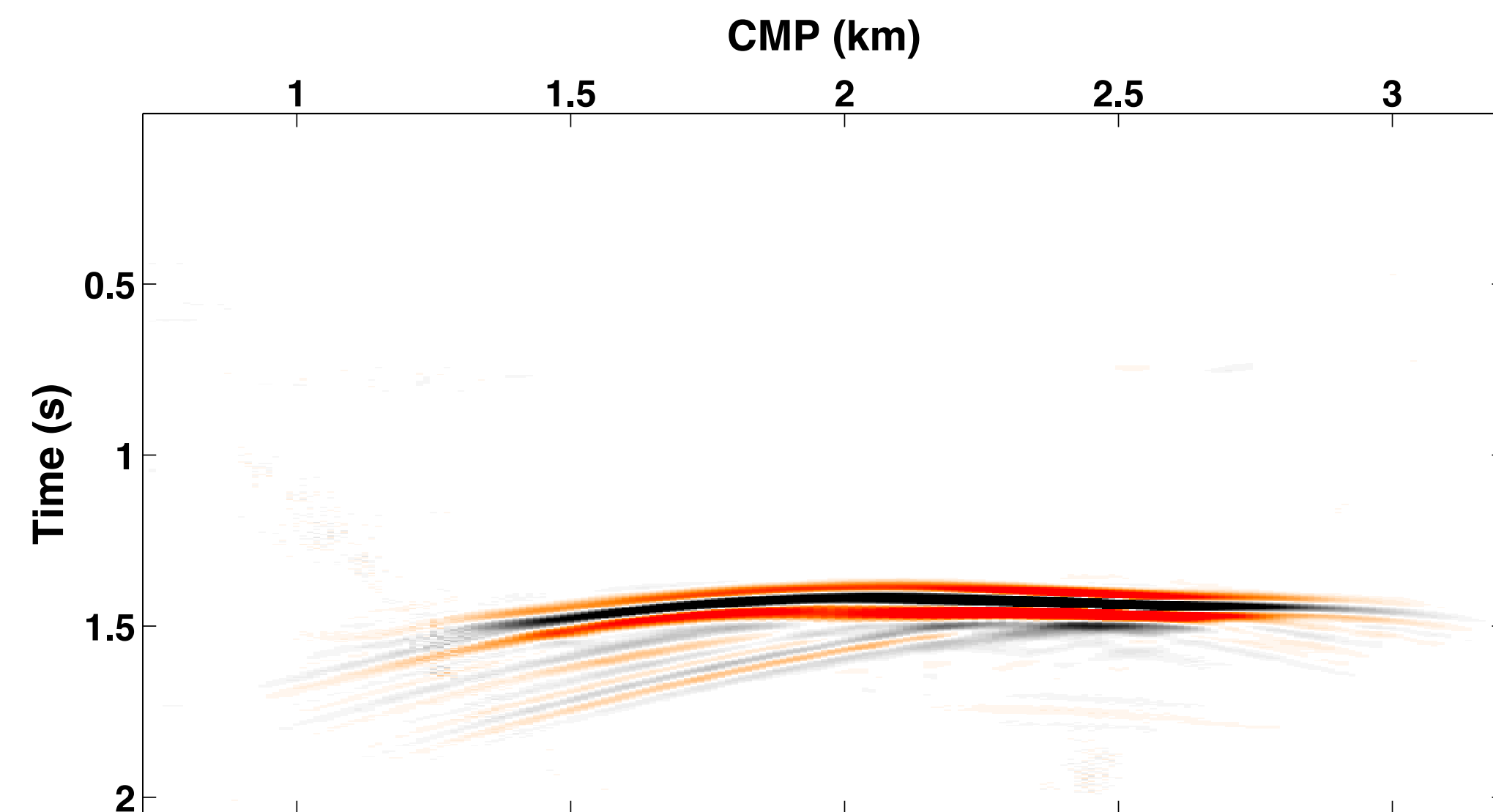
Stacked sections

- **50%** overlap in acquisition matrices

Parallel
(9.7 dB)



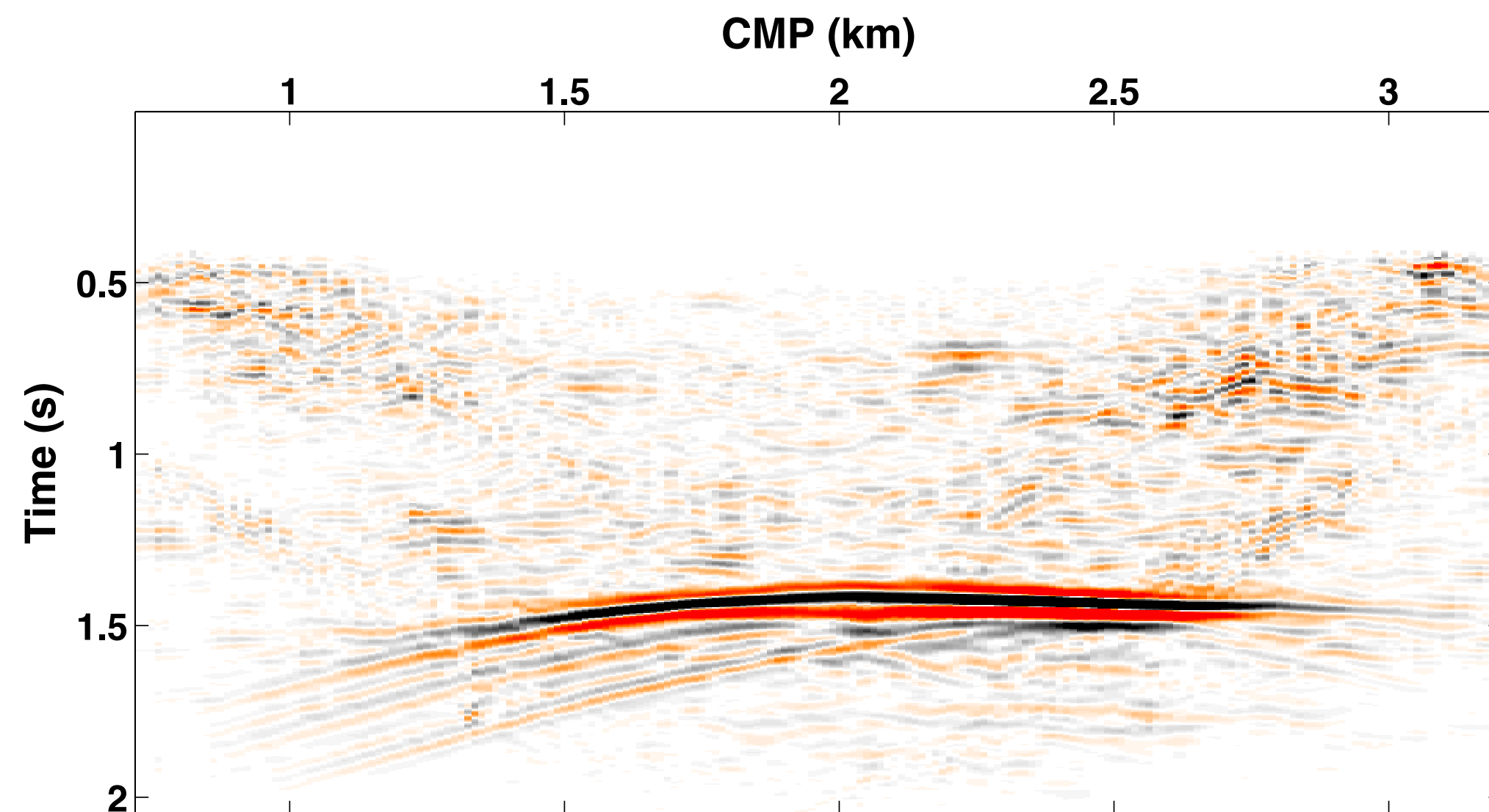
Joint
(18.2 dB)



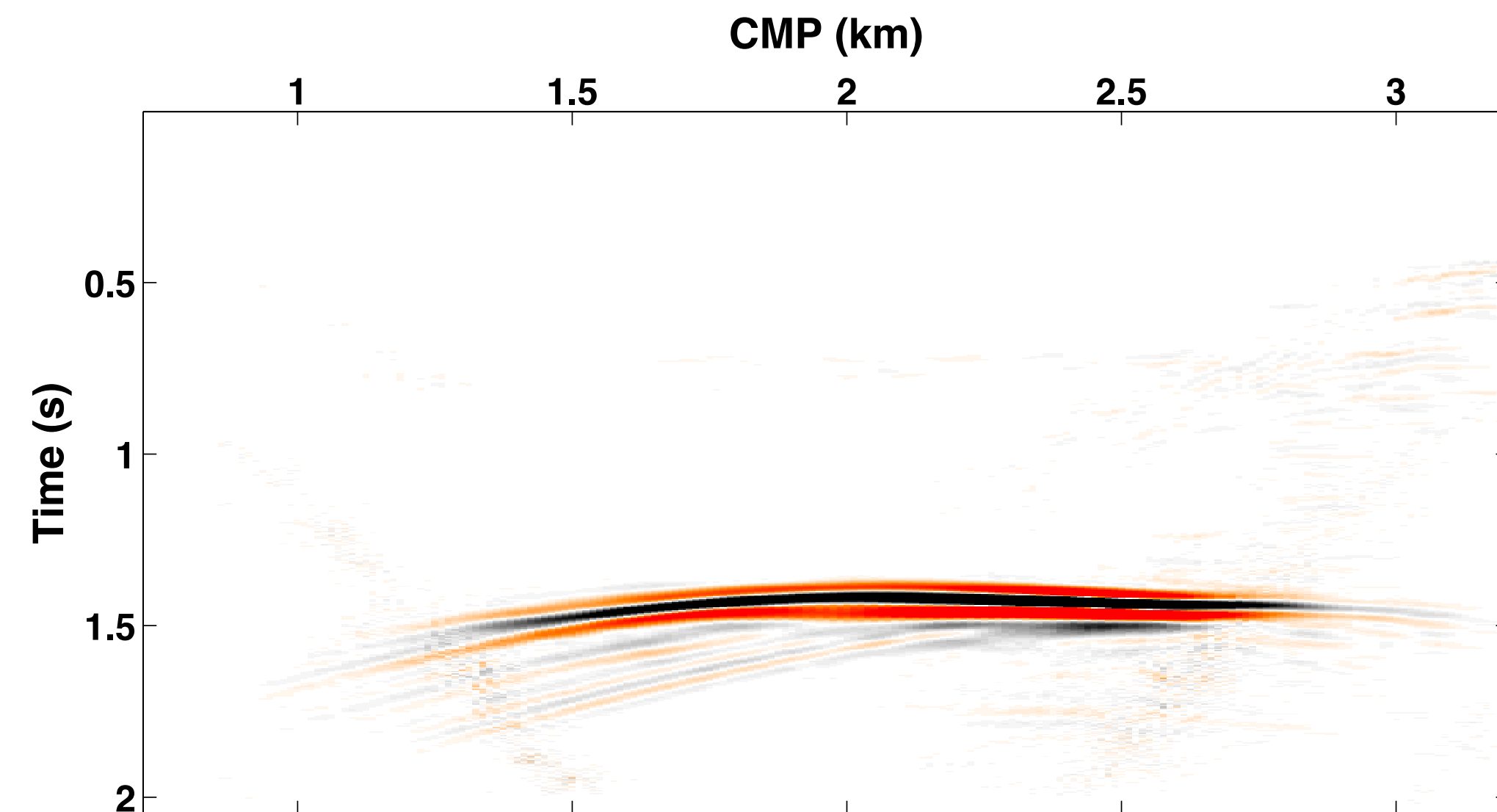
Stacked sections

- 20% overlap in acquisition matrices

Parallel
(10.2 dB)



Joint
(14.7 dB)



Summary (SNR (dB))

overlap	baseline		monitor		4-D signal	
	IRS	JRM	IRS	JRM	IRS	JRM
100%	23	21.6	23.1	21.7	22.7	22.4
50%	23	28.9	25.5	28.9	9.7	18.2
20%	23	31.8	23.5	31.9	10.2	14.7

Conclusions

- Randomized sampling techniques can be extended to time-lapse surveys
- It is better to process time-lapse data jointly than independently, in order to exploit shared information
- We can save cost via cheap randomized acquisition designs
- Resolving time-lapse signal from seismic data depends on the degree of repeatability, when the data is “highly” under-sampled
- Method can be extended to multiple surveys where we can use fewer measurements

Future Plan

- Detection of weak and strong 4D changes in noisy environments with high subsampling ratios
- Asymmetric measurement rates - skewed acquisition scenarios
- Incorporate joint reconstruction into wave-equation based inversion
- Extension to time-jittered marine surveys on a non-uniform sampling grid
- Performance of recovery method on noisy data

Acknowledgements

We need 4D data !

Thank you for your attention !

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