

Uncertainty quantification for inverse problems with a weak wave-equation constraint

Zhilong Fang*, Curt Da Silva*, Rachel Kuske** and Felix J. Herrmann*

*Seismic Laboratory for Imaging and Modeling (SLIM), University of British Columbia

**Department of Mathematics, Georgia Institute of Technology

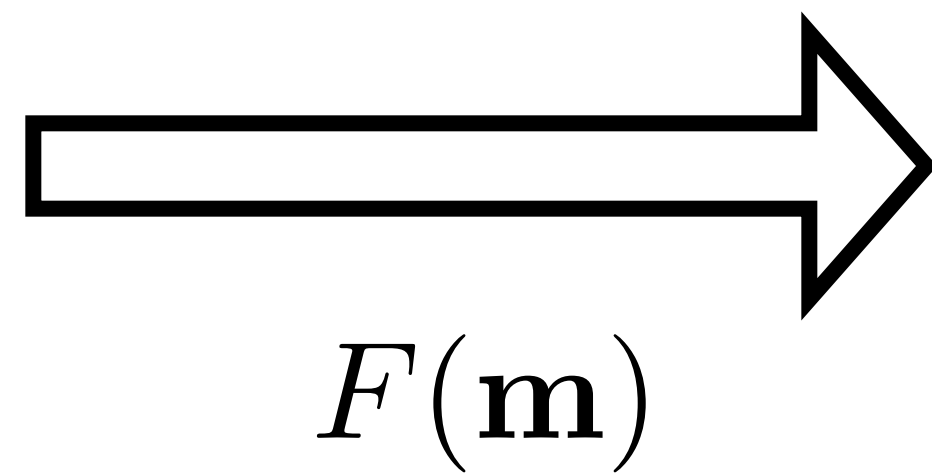
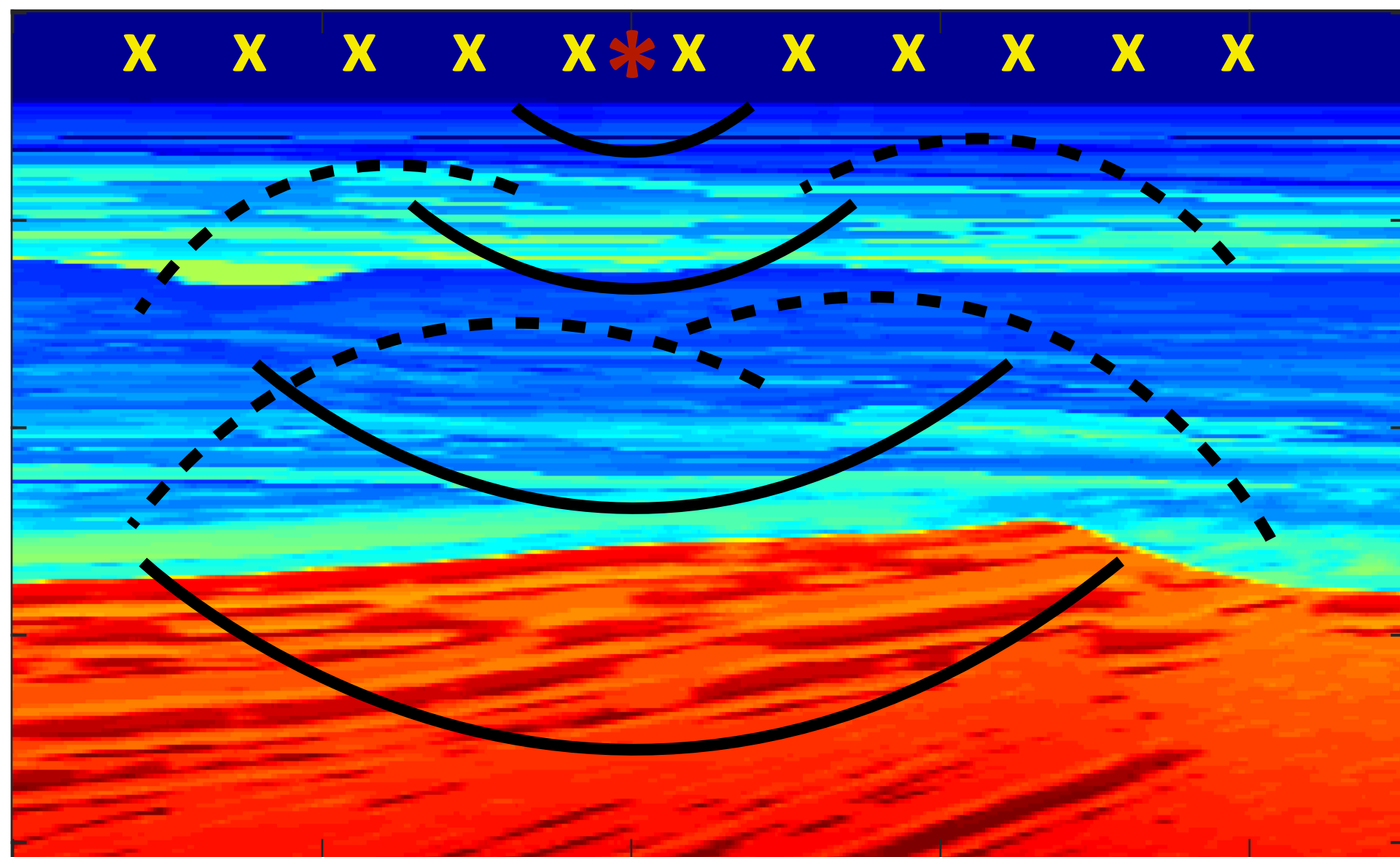


University of British Columbia

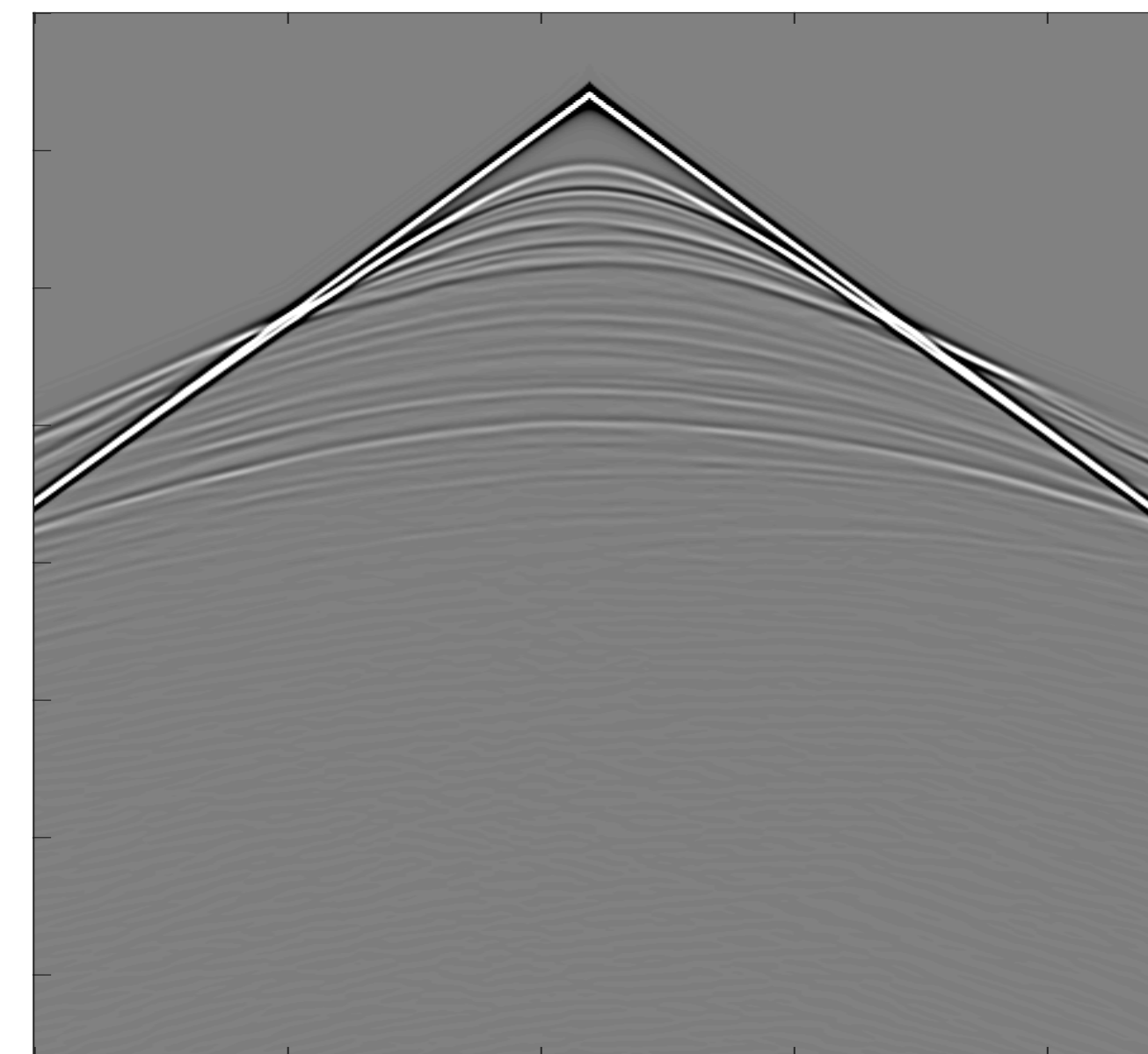
Motivation

Forward problem

\mathbf{m}

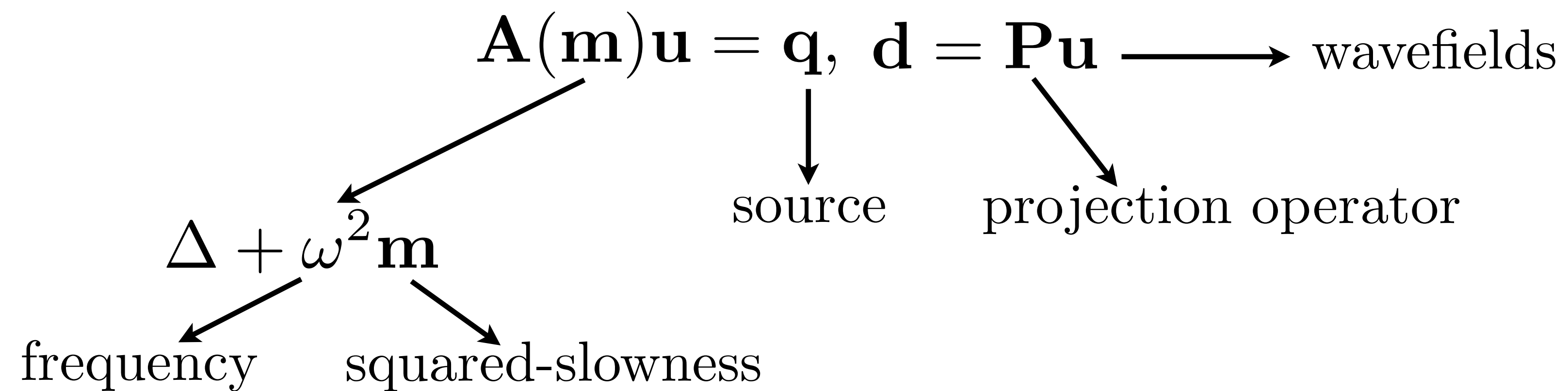


\mathbf{d}



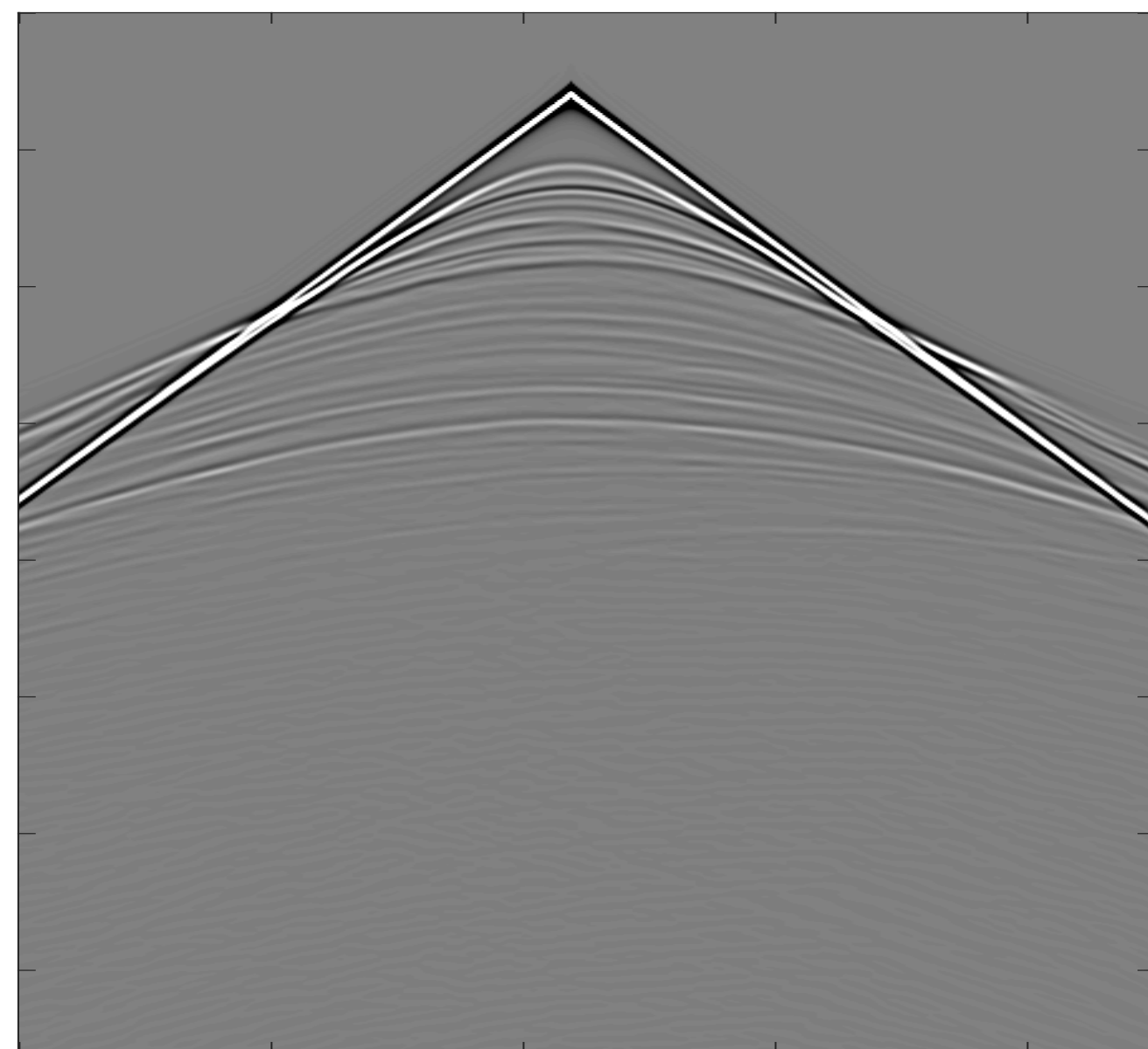
Motivation

Forward map $F(\mathbf{m})$:

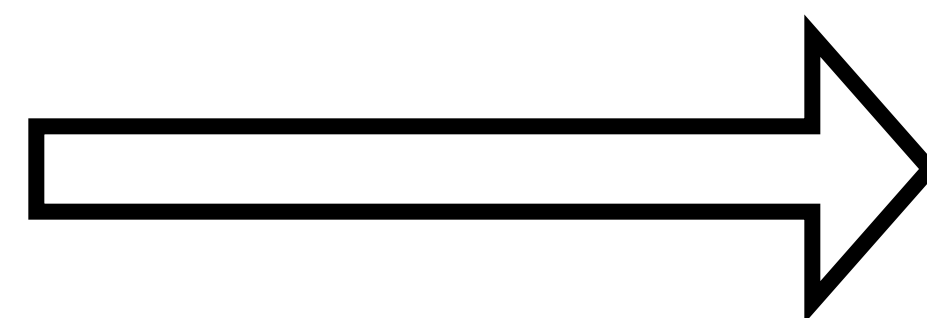


Motivation

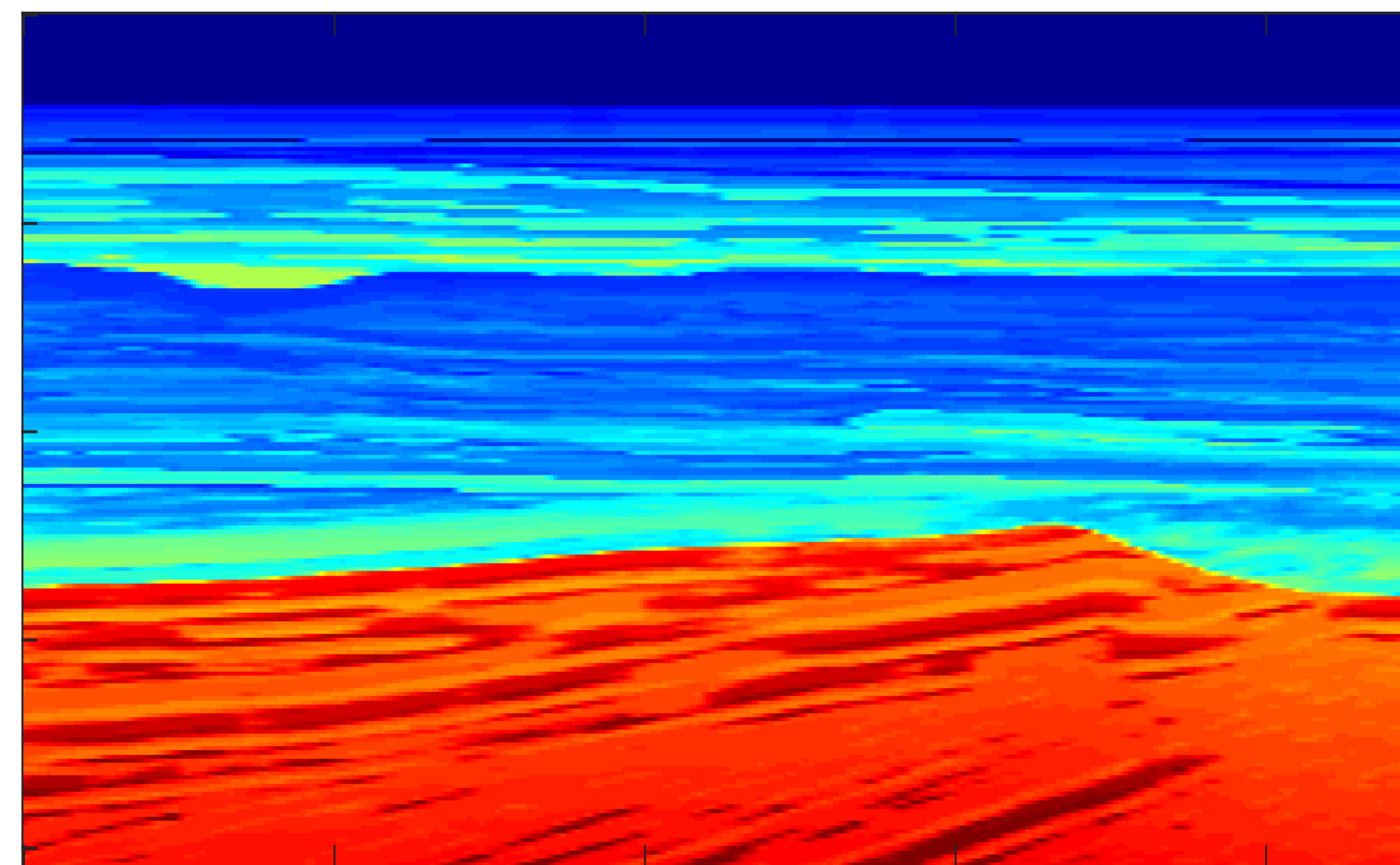
Inverse problem



d



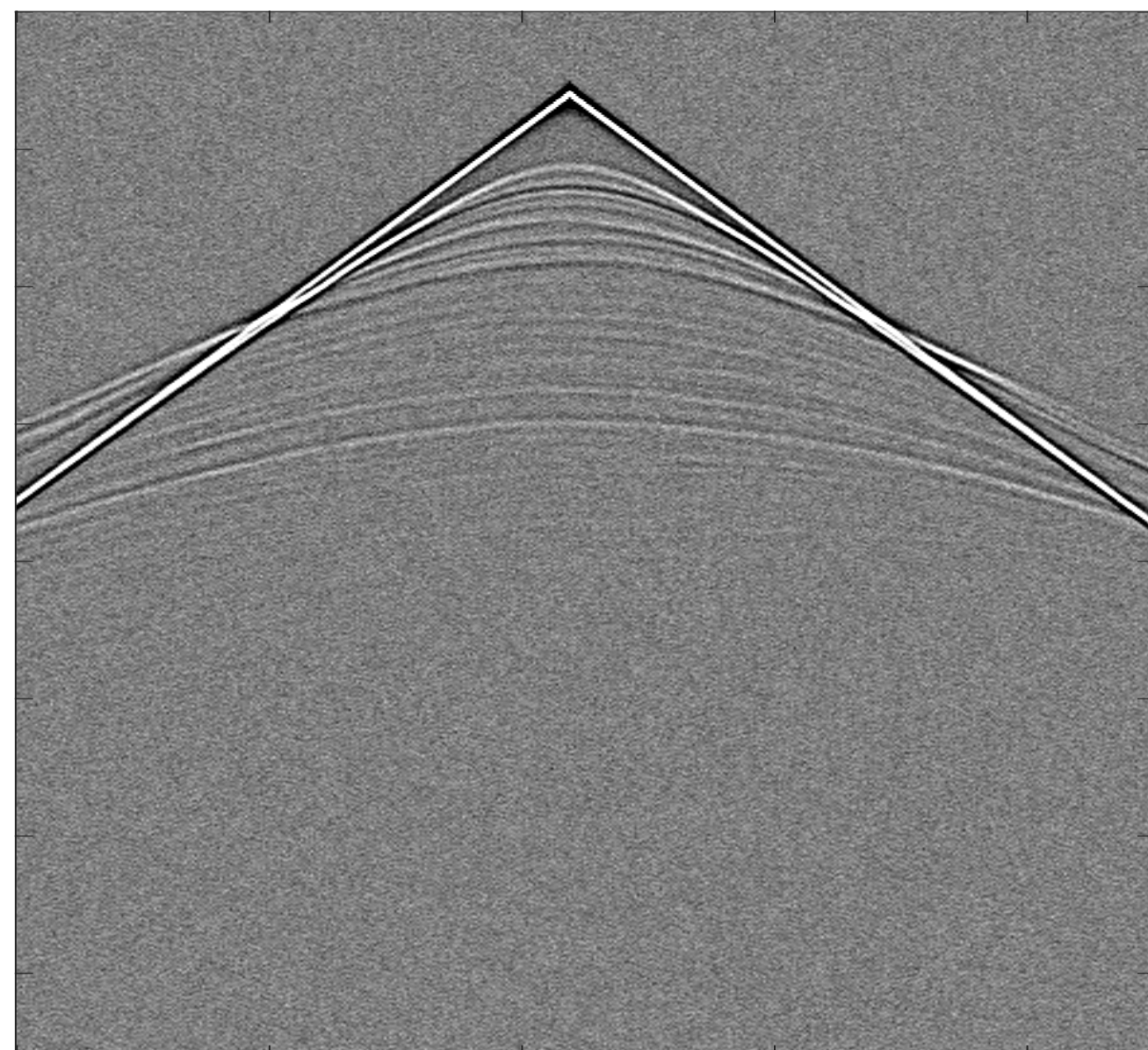
$$F^{-1}(\mathbf{d})$$



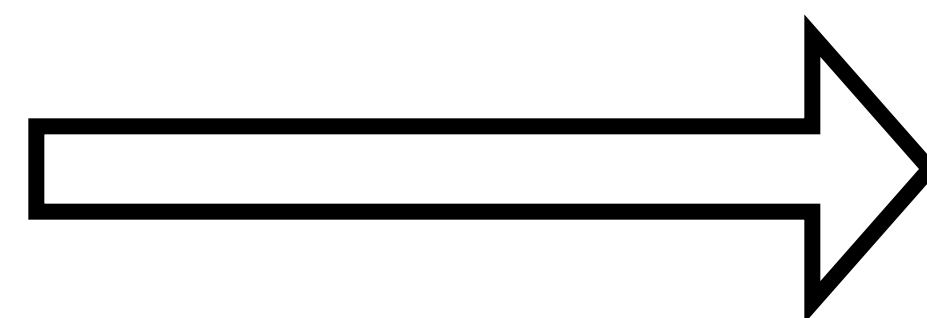
m

Motivation

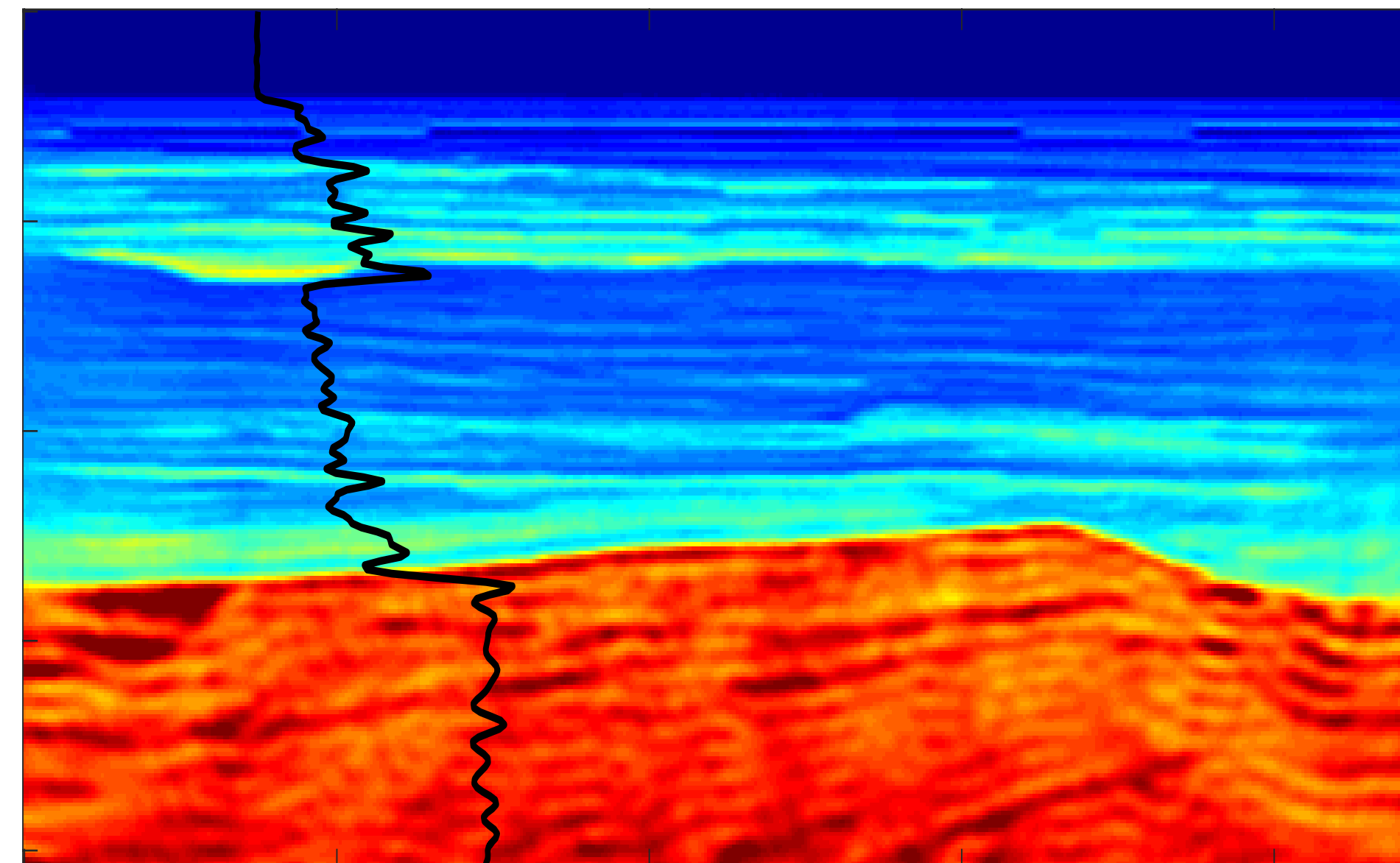
Statistical inverse problem



d
noisy



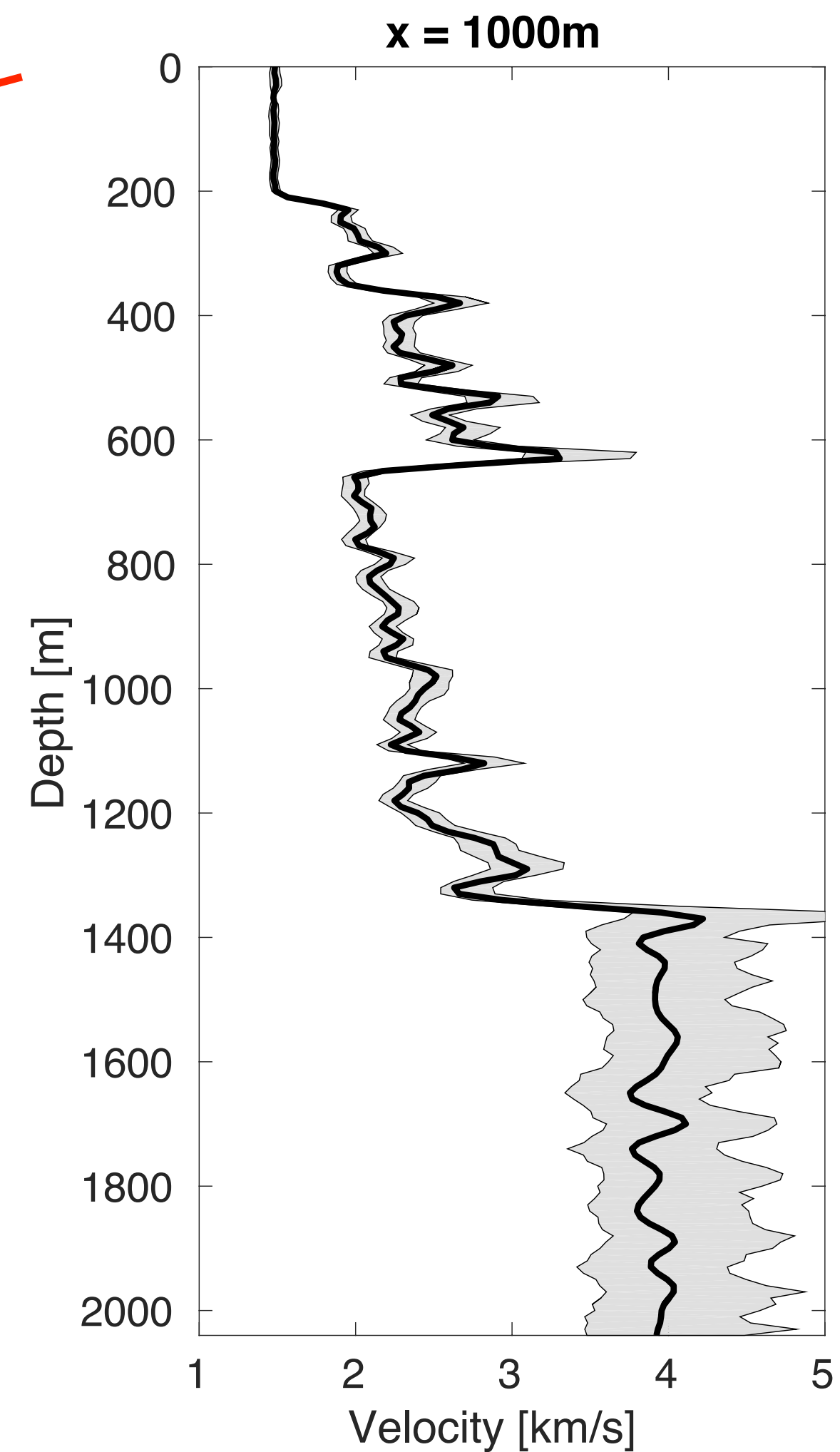
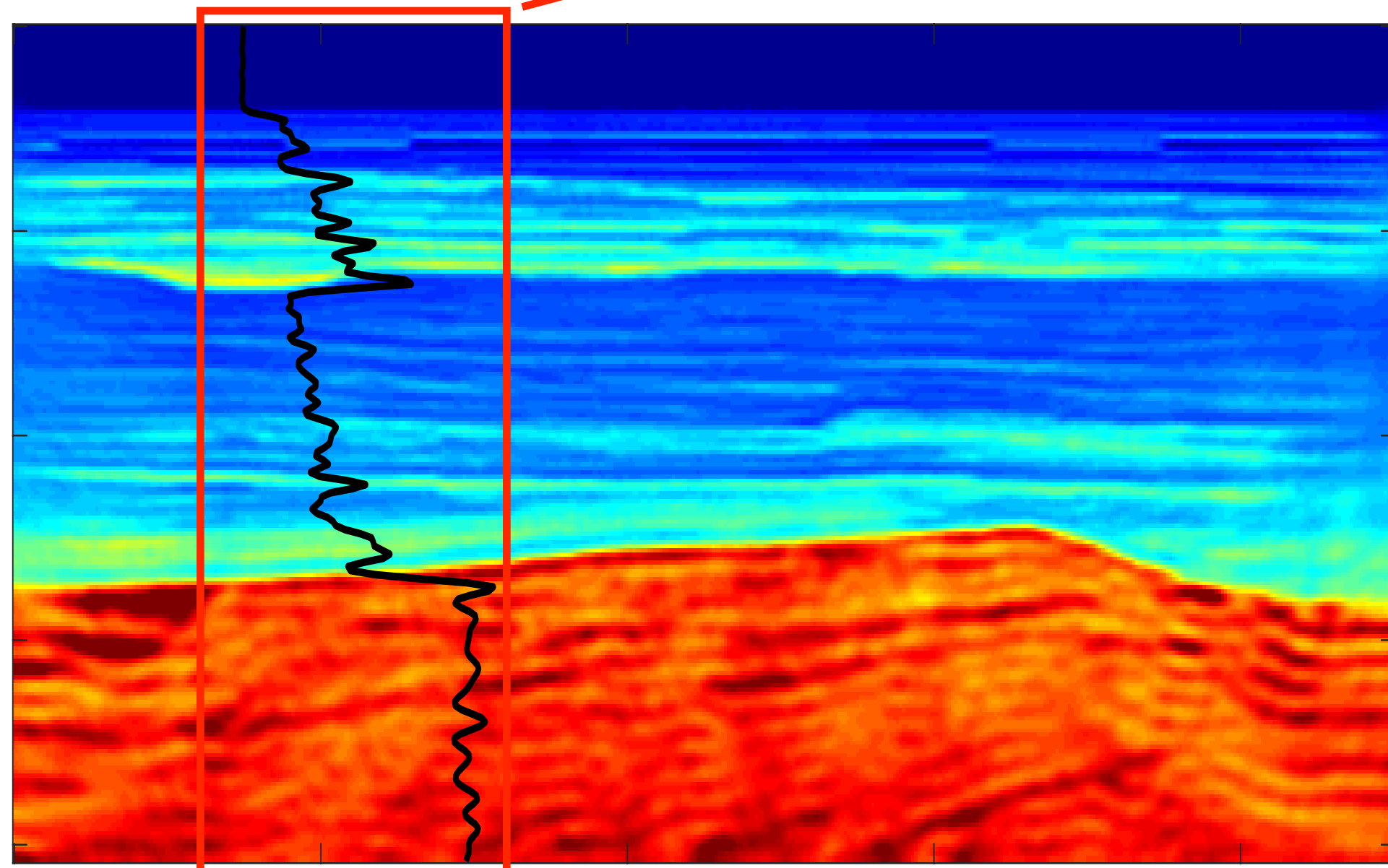
$$F^{-1}(\mathbf{d})$$



m
noisy

Motivation

Statistical inverse problem



**Confidence
Interval**

Bayesian inference

Prior probability density function (PDF):

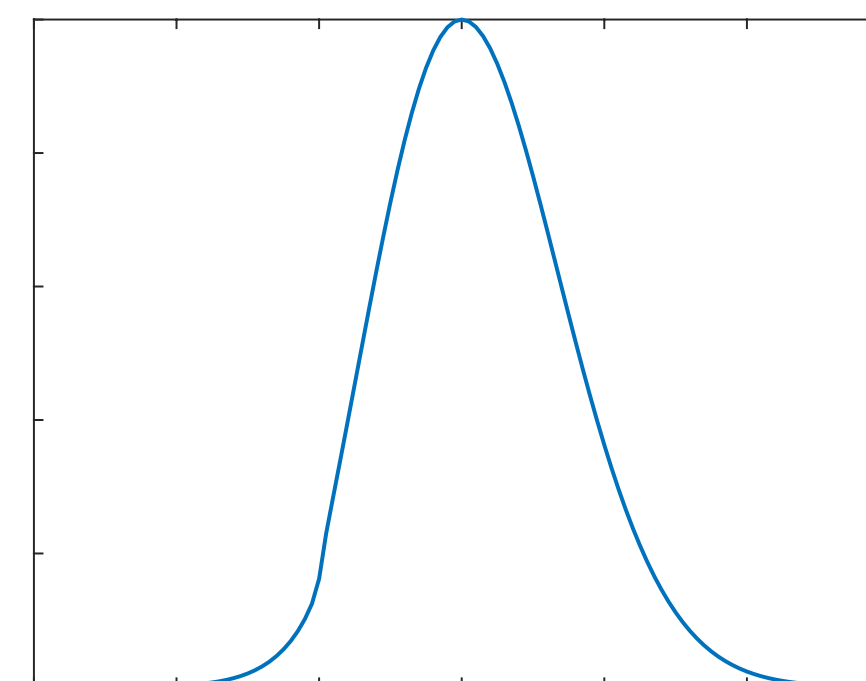
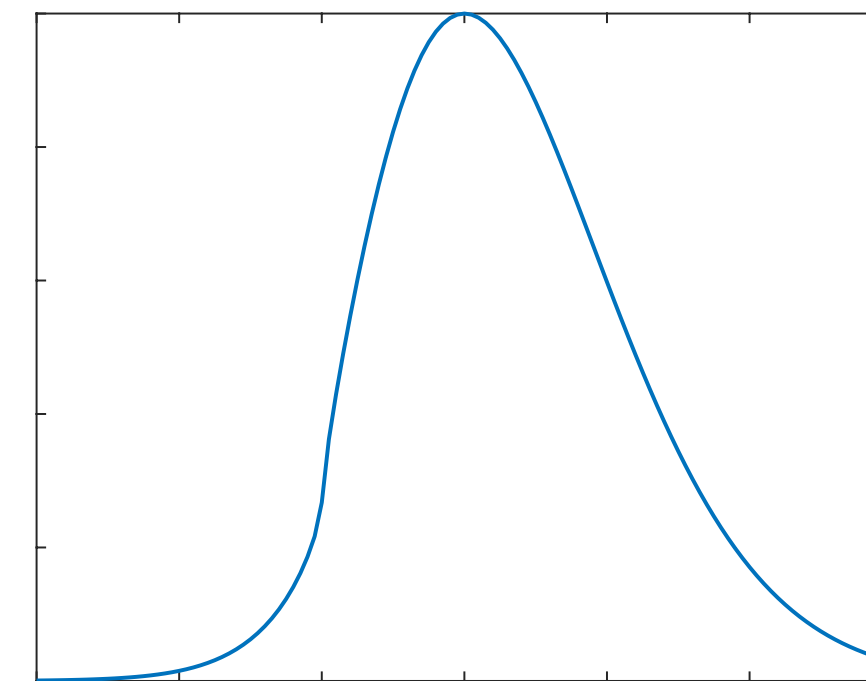
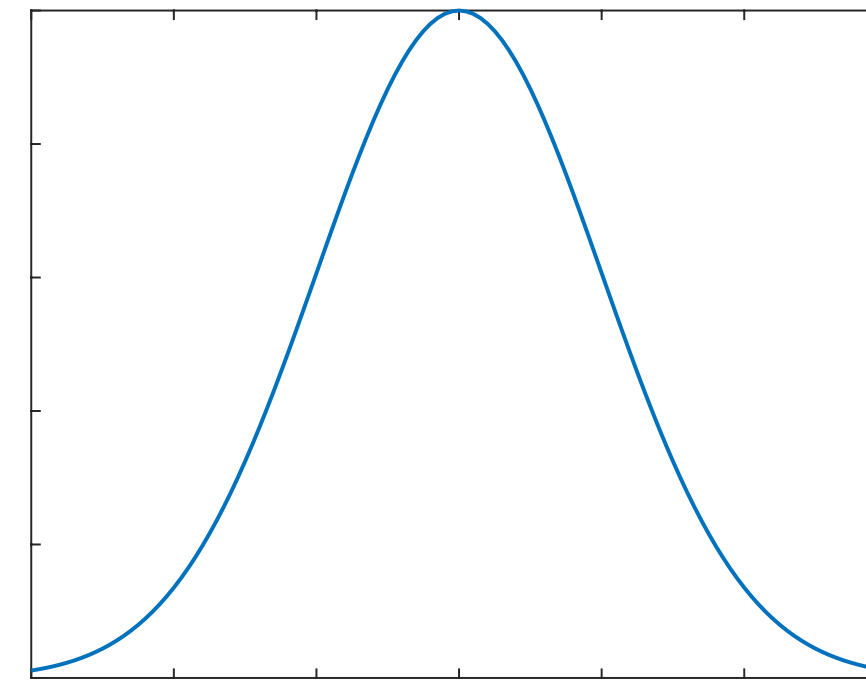
$$\mathbf{m} \longrightarrow \rho_{\text{prior}}(\mathbf{m})$$

Likelihood PDF: given data \mathbf{d}

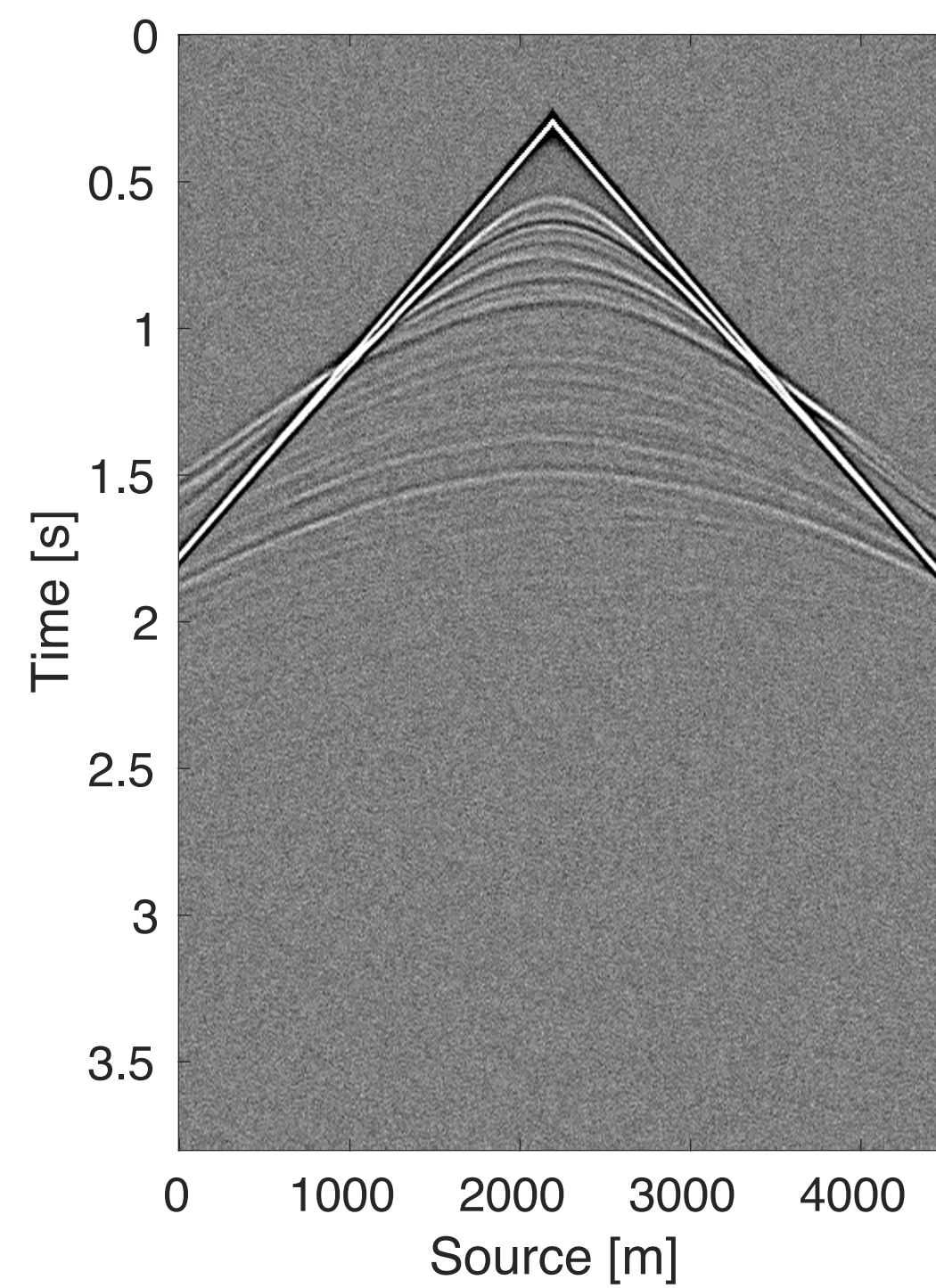
$$\mathbf{m} \longrightarrow \rho_{\text{like}}(\mathbf{d}|\mathbf{m})$$

Posterior PDF (Bayes' rule):

$$\rho_{\text{post}}(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{d}) \propto \rho_{\text{like}}(\mathbf{d}|\mathbf{m})\rho_{\text{prior}}(\mathbf{m})$$

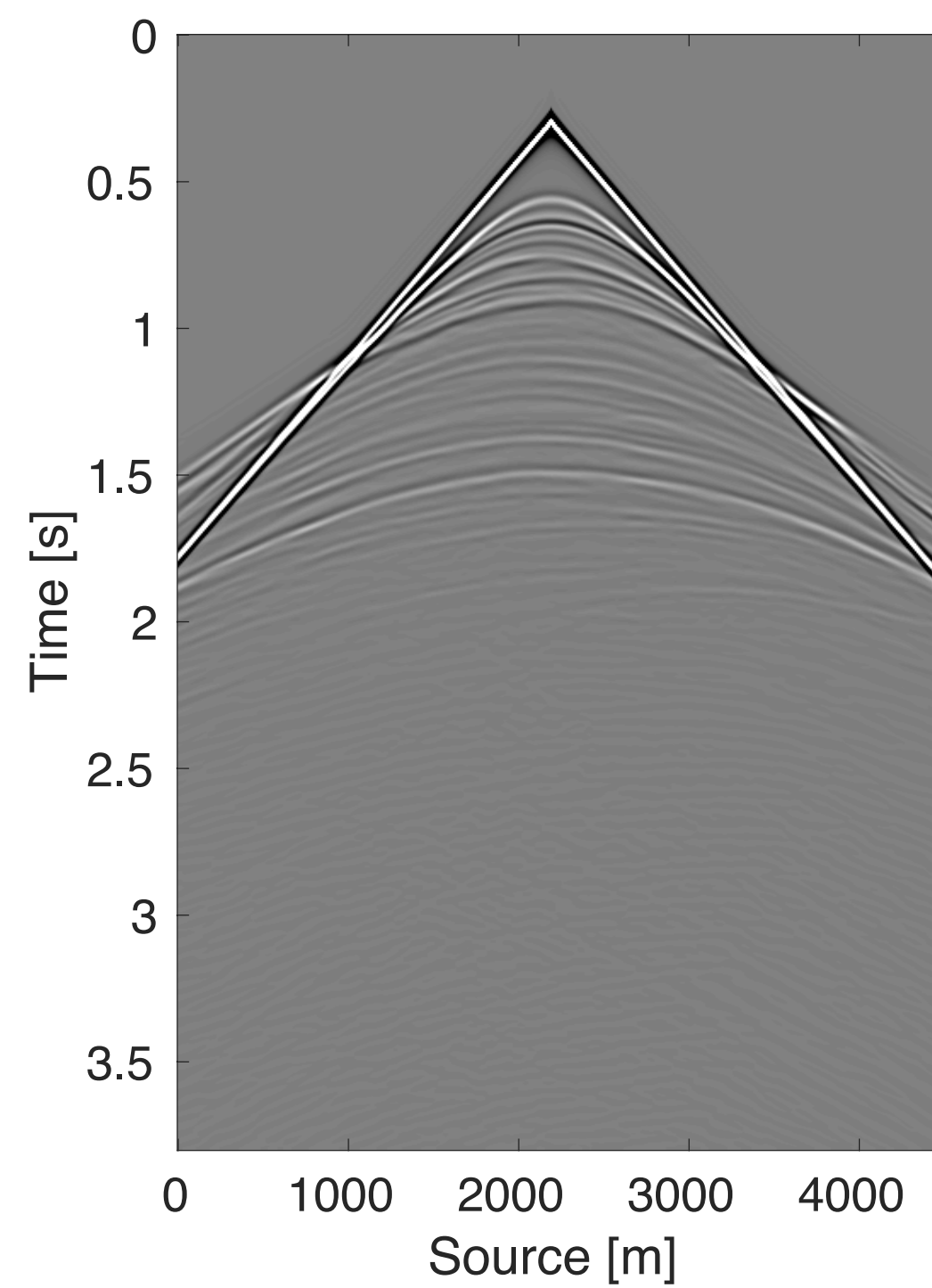


Bayes w/ strong PDE constraints



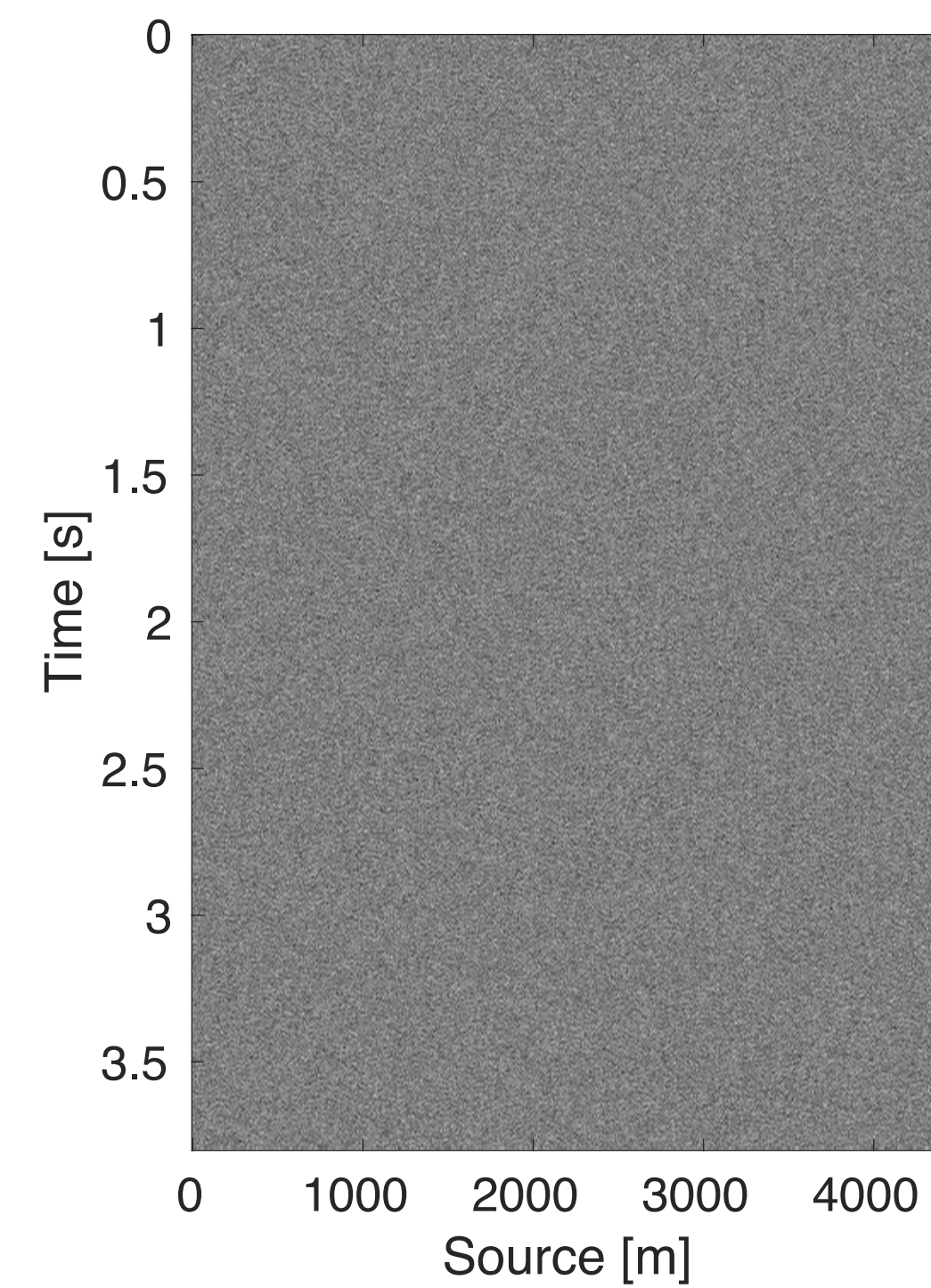
\mathbf{d}

=



$F(\mathbf{m})$

+



$\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma_{\text{noise}})$

Bayes w/ strong PDE constraints

Posterior PDF w/ strong PDE constraints:

$$\rho_{\text{post}}(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{d}) \propto \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{PA}(\mathbf{m})^{-1} \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{d}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1}}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{\text{prior}}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{prior}}^{-1}}^2 \right)$$

Challenges:

- high-dimensional model space and data space
- non-linear and expensive model-to-data map
- no closed form solution

Bayes w/ strong PDE constraints

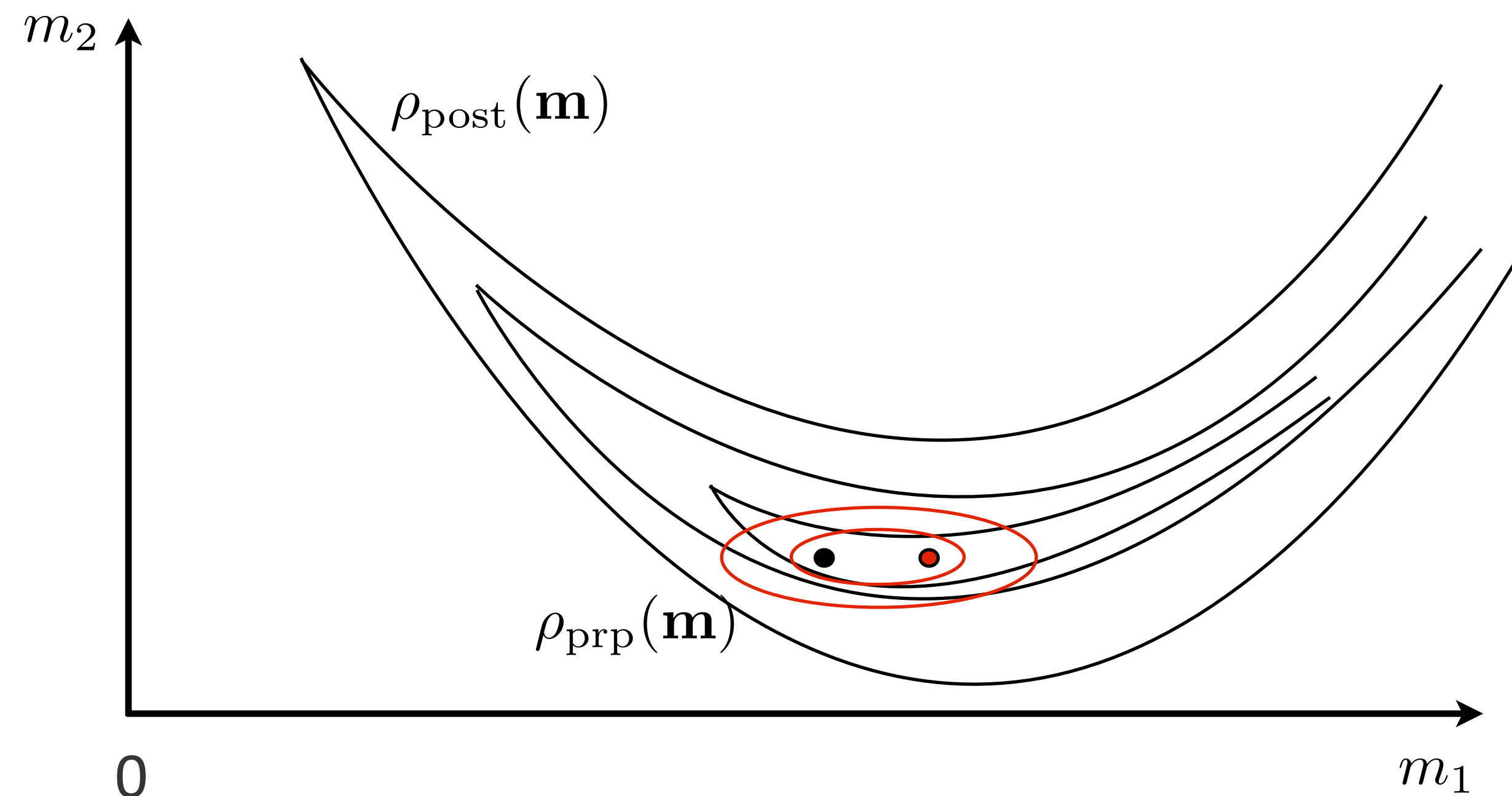
[J. Kaipio and E. Somersalo, 2004]

[A. M. Stuart *et al.*, 2004]

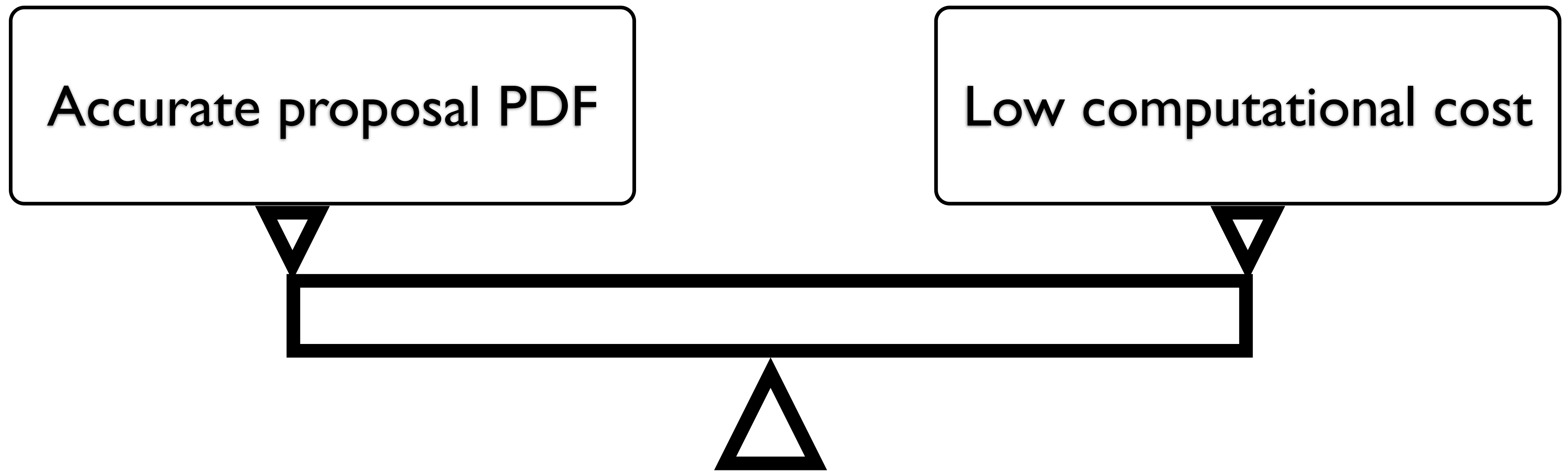
[J. Martin *et al.*, 2012]

McMC type methods:

- Metropolis-Hasting method
 - draw samples with a proposal PDF
- Langevin method
 - construct the proposal PDF with a preconditioning matrix
- Newton type McMC method
 - construct the proposal PDF with local Hessian matrix



Bayes w/ strong PDE constraints



Bayes w/ strong PDE constraints

[J. Kaipio and E. Somersalo, 2004]

[A. M. Stuart *et al.*, 2004]

[J. Martin *et al.*, 2012]

[R. G. Pratt, 1999]

McMC type methods:

- Metropolis-Hasting method
 - draw samples with a proposal PDF
 - Langevin method
 - construct the proposal PDF with a preconditioning matrix
 - Newton type McMC method
 - construct the proposal PDF with local Hessian matrix
 - Hessian matrix and GN Hessian are dense and require additional PDE solves
- e.g. Gauss-Newton Hessian of $-\log \rho_{\text{like}}(\mathbf{d}|\mathbf{m})$:

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{GN}}(\mathbf{m}) = \omega^4 \text{diag}(\text{conj}(\mathbf{u})) \underbrace{\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})^{-\top} \mathbf{P}^{\top}}_{\text{additional PDE solves}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{noise}}^{-1} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})^{-1} \text{diag}(\mathbf{u})$$

additional PDE solves

PDE constrained optimization problems

Original problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{q} \end{aligned}$$

Adjoint-state method – *strong constraint*:

$$\min_{\mathbf{m}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{d}\|^2$$

Penalty method – *weak constraint*:

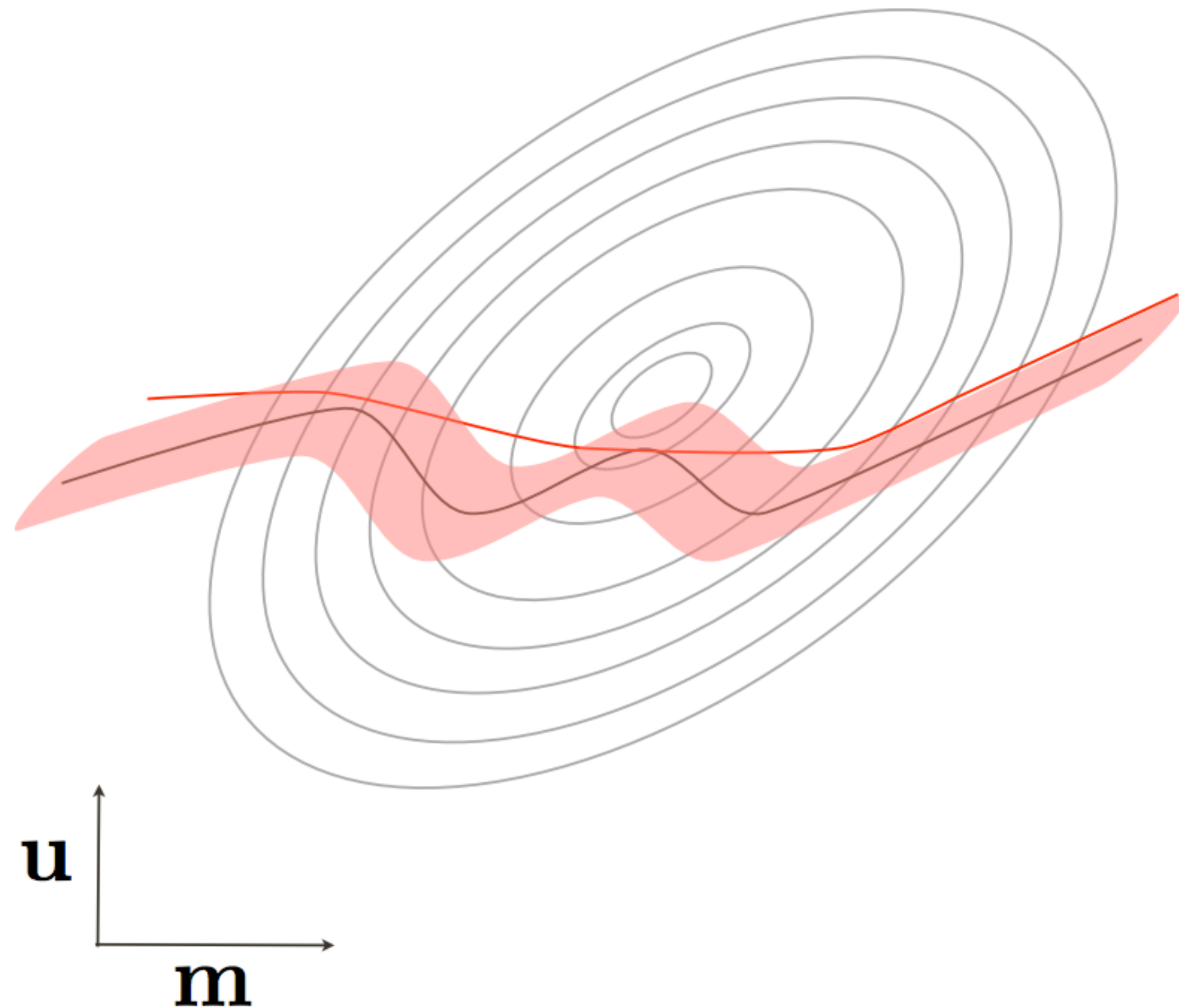
$$\min_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}\|^2 + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{q}\|^2$$

Extend the search space

[T. van Leeuwen and F. J. Herrmann, 2013]

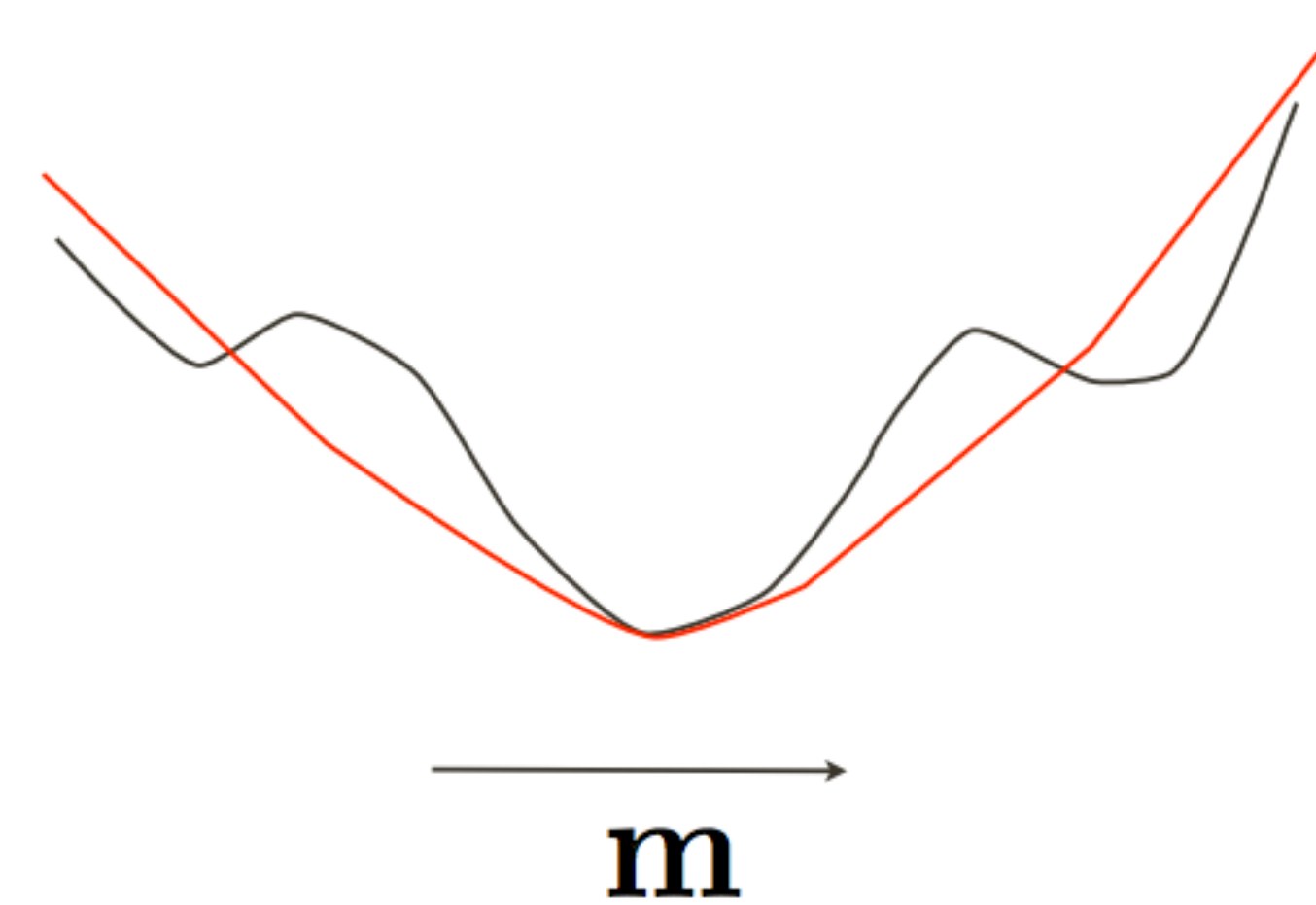
[T. van Leeuwen and F. J. Herrmann, 2015]

Larger # of degrees of freedom



“more convex”

less local minima



Extend the search space

Introduce auxiliary variable:

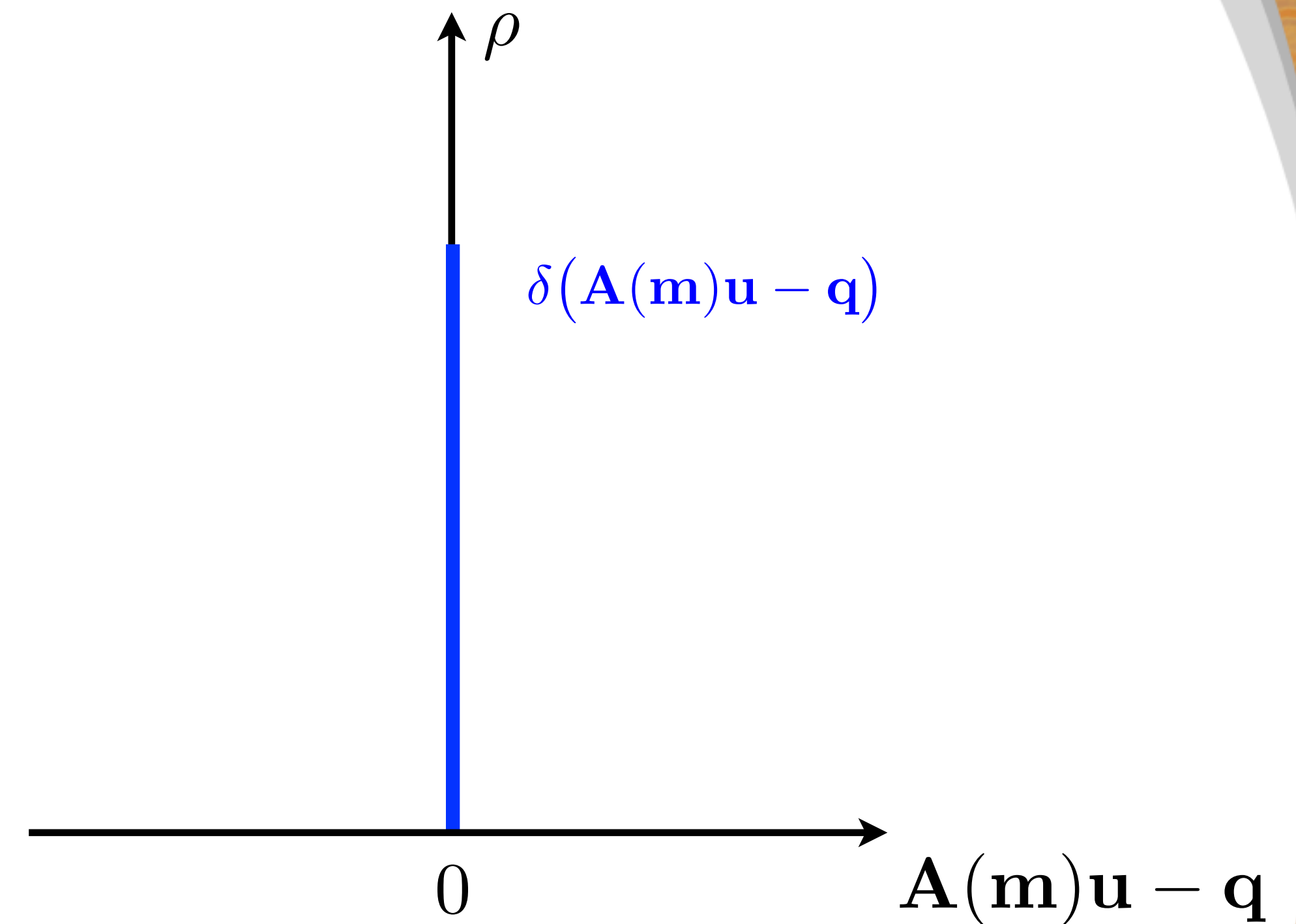
$$\rho_{\text{post}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m} | \mathbf{d}) \propto \rho(\mathbf{d} | \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m}) \rho(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m})$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m}) = \rho(\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{m}) \rho_{\text{prior}}(\mathbf{m})$$

Strong PDE constraints:

$$\rho(\mathbf{d} | \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m}) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1}}^2\right)$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{m}) = \delta(\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{q})$$



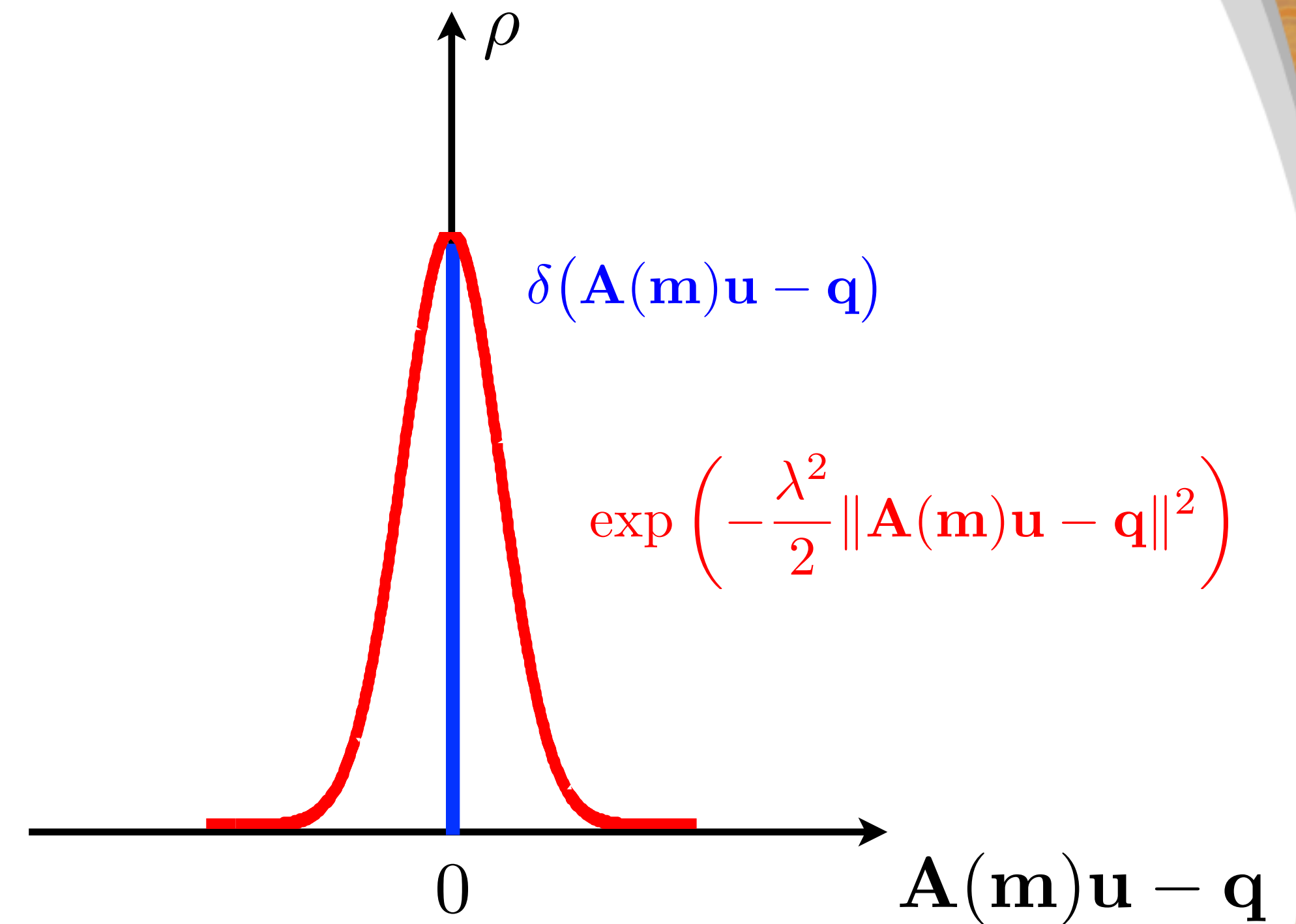
Extend the search space

Weaken PDE constraints:

$$\rho(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{m}) = \delta(\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{q})$$



$$\rho(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{m}) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda^2}{2} \|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{q}\|^2\right)$$



Bayes w/ weak PDE constraints

Joint posterior PDF:

$$\rho_{\text{post}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m} | \mathbf{d})$$
$$\propto \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1}}^2 - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{q}\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{\text{prior}}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{prior}}^{-1}}^2 \right)$$


This is a bi-Gaussian PDF!!

Bayes w/ weak PDE constraints

Joint posterior PDF:

$$\rho_{\text{post}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m} | \mathbf{d})$$

$$\propto \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1}}^2 - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{q}\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{\text{prior}}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{prior}}^{-1}}^2 \right)$$

**linear operators**

- For fixed \mathbf{m}

Conditional PDF

For fixed \mathbf{m} :

$$\mathbf{u} \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}, \mathbf{H}_u^{-1})$$

with

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{H}_u^{-1} (\mathbf{P}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{noise}}^{-1} \mathbf{d} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{A}^\top(\mathbf{m}) \mathbf{q})$$

$$\mathbf{H}_u = \mathbf{P}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{noise}}^{-1} \mathbf{P} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{A}^\top(\mathbf{m}) \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})$$

Bayes w/ weak PDE constraints

Joint posterior PDF:

$$\rho_{\text{post}}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{m} | \mathbf{d}) \propto \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{noise}}^{-1}}^2 - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \|\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{q}\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{\text{prior}}\|_{\Sigma_{\text{prior}}^{-1}}^2 \right)$$

$$\omega^2 \text{diag}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u} + \Delta\mathbf{u}$$

- For fixed \mathbf{m}
- For fixed \mathbf{u}

$$\omega^2 \text{diag}(\mathbf{u})\mathbf{m} + \Delta\mathbf{u}$$

linear in \mathbf{m}

Conditional PDF

For fixed \mathbf{u} :

$$\mathbf{m} \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\mathbf{m}}, \mathbf{H}_m^{-1})$$

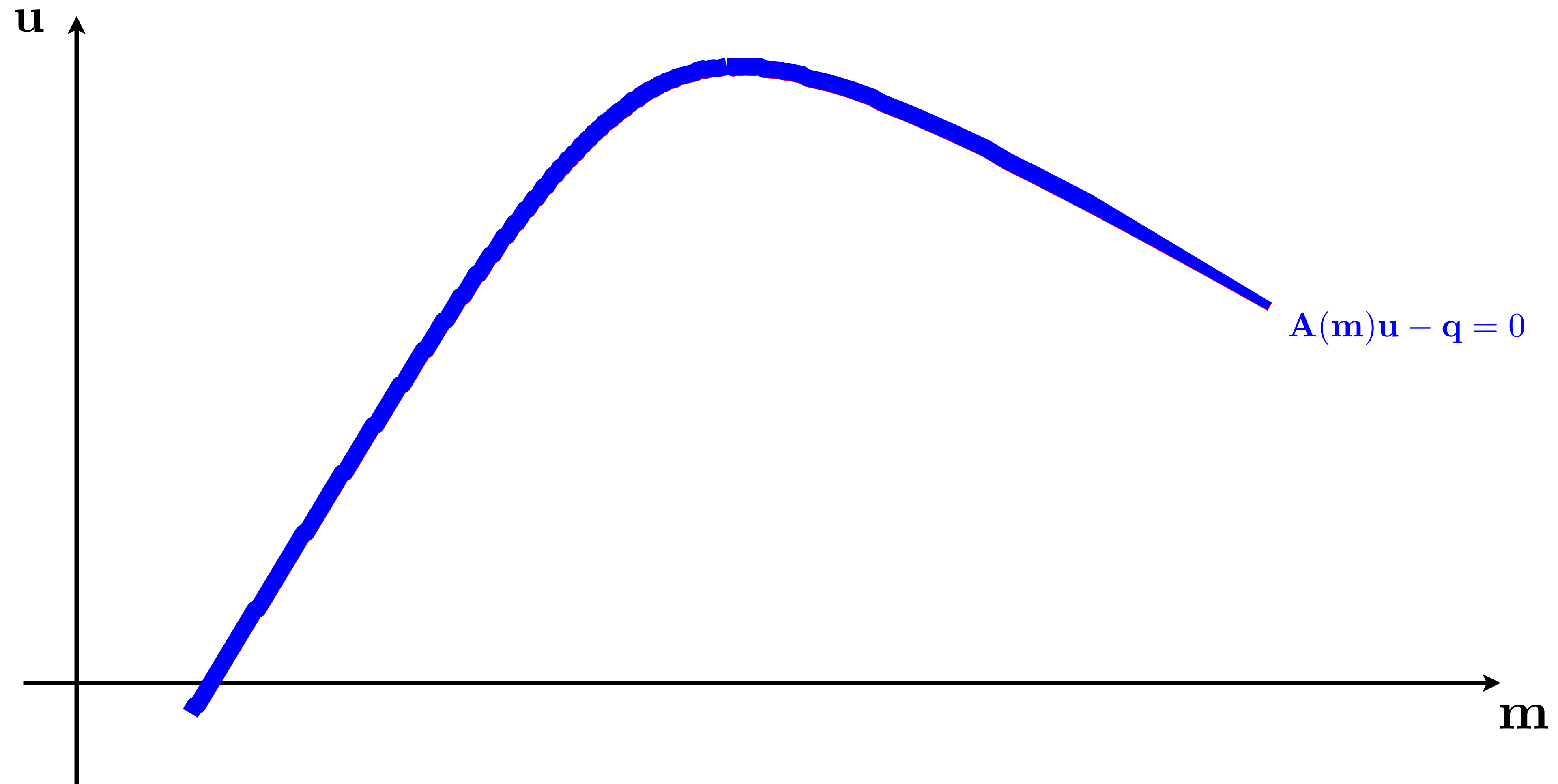
with

$$\bar{\mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{H}_m^{-1} \left(\lambda^2 \omega^2 \text{diag}(\text{conj}(\mathbf{u})) (\mathbf{q} - \Delta \mathbf{u}) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{prior}}^{-1} \mathbf{m}_{\text{prior}} \right)$$

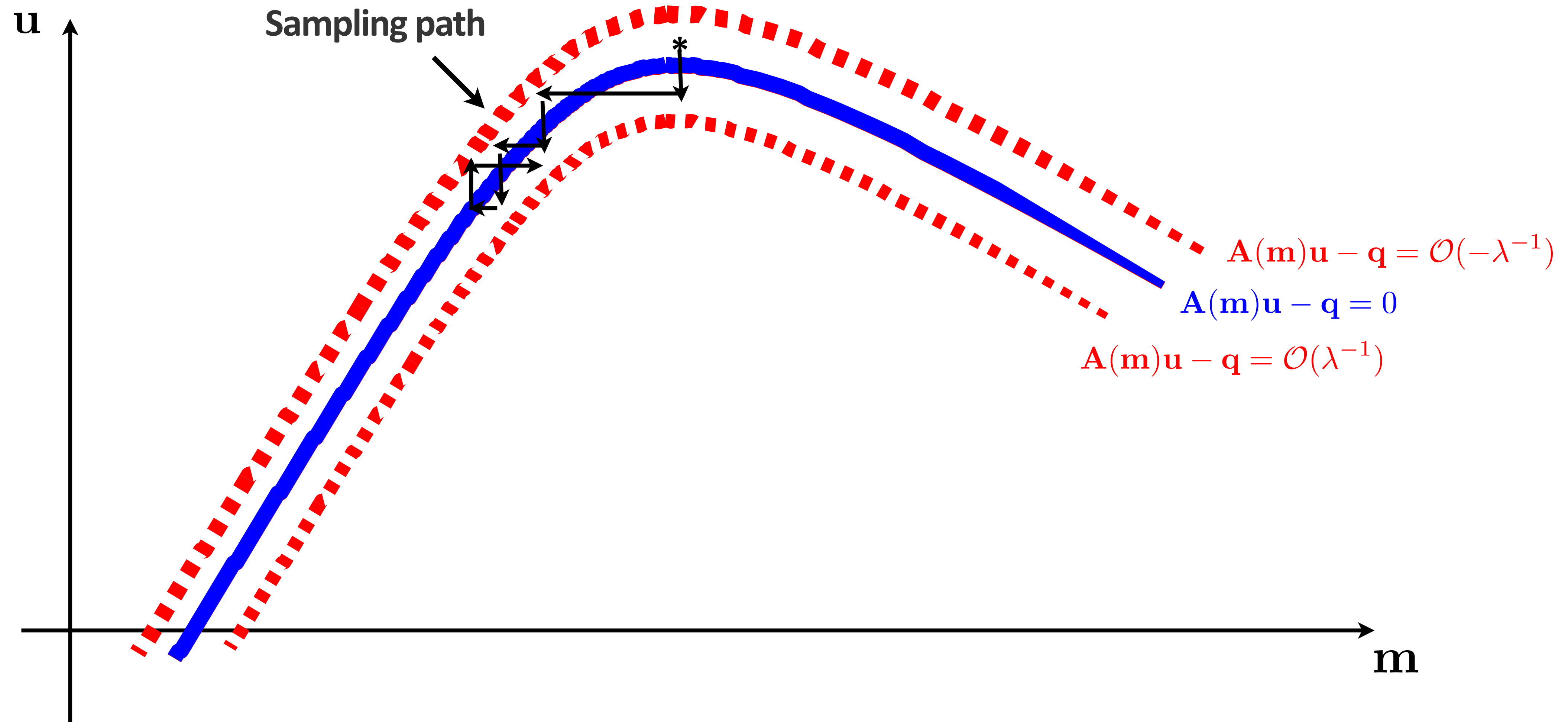
$$\mathbf{H}_m = \lambda^2 \omega^4 \text{diag}(\text{conj}(\mathbf{u})) \text{diag}(\mathbf{u}) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{prior}}^{-1}$$

Diagonal matrix

Gibbs sampling



Gibbs sampling



Bayes w/ weak PDE constraints

Gibbs sampling:

1. start with \mathbf{m}_0
2. for $k = 1 : n_{\text{smp}}$
3. compute $\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{m}_k)$ and $\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{m}_k)$
4. draw \mathbf{u}_k from $\mathcal{N}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{m}_k), \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{u}}^{-1}(\mathbf{m}_k))$
5. compute $\bar{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{u}_k)$ and $\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{u}_k)$
6. draw \mathbf{m}_{k+1} from $\mathcal{N}(\bar{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{u}_k), \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{m}}^{-1}(\mathbf{u}_k))$
7. end

Main computational cost

Computational cost

Drawing $\mathbf{u}_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{m}_k), \mathbf{H}_u^{-1}(\mathbf{m}_k))$:

Step 1	$\mathbf{H}_u(\mathbf{m}_k) = \mathbf{R}^\top \mathbf{R}$	$\mathcal{O}(n_{\text{grid}}^3)$
Step 2	$\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{m}_k) = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{R}^{-\top} \left(\mathbf{P}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\text{noise}}^{-1/2} \mathbf{d} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{A}^\top(\mathbf{m}_k) \mathbf{q} \right)$	$\mathcal{O}(n_{\text{grid}}^2)$
Step 3	$\mathbf{u}_k = \bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{m}_k) + \mathbf{R}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$	$\mathcal{O}(n_{\text{grid}}^2)$

Cost per each source = solving one PDE

Weak constraint v.s. Strong constraint

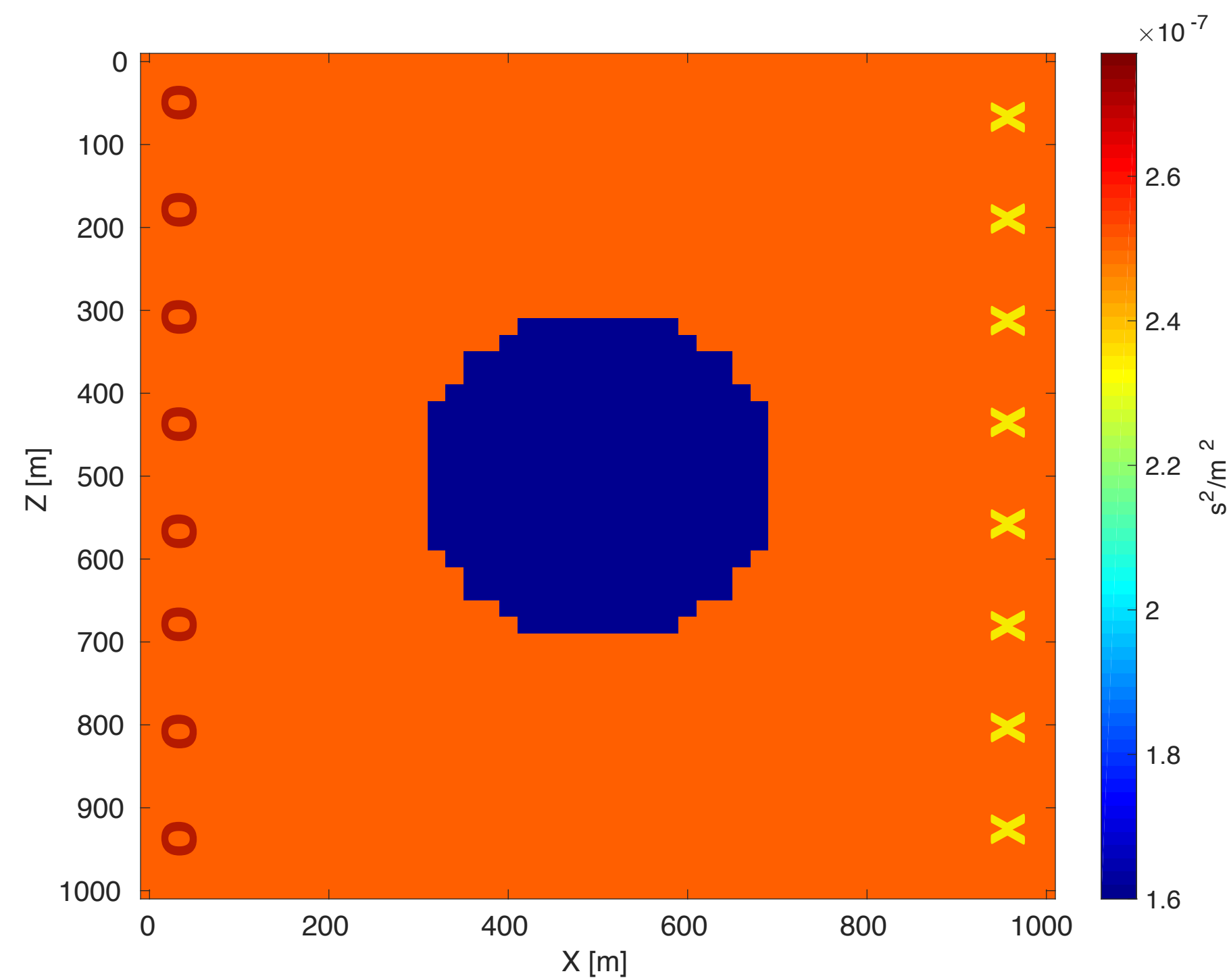
Weak constraint w/ Gibbs sampling method

- joint bi-Gaussian distribution
- sparse Hessian matrix
- constructing Hessian matrix does not require additional PDE solves
- draw samples in a straight-forward manner from the Gaussian conditional distributions

Strong constraint w/ M-H type method

- no special structure
- dense Hessian matrix
- constructing Hessian matrix requires additional PDE solves
- draw samples from certain proposal distribution with accept-reject criteria
- constructing the proposal distribution may require more PDE solves

Numerical example - transmission case



True model

Model size: 1000m x 1000m

Grid size: 20m x 20m

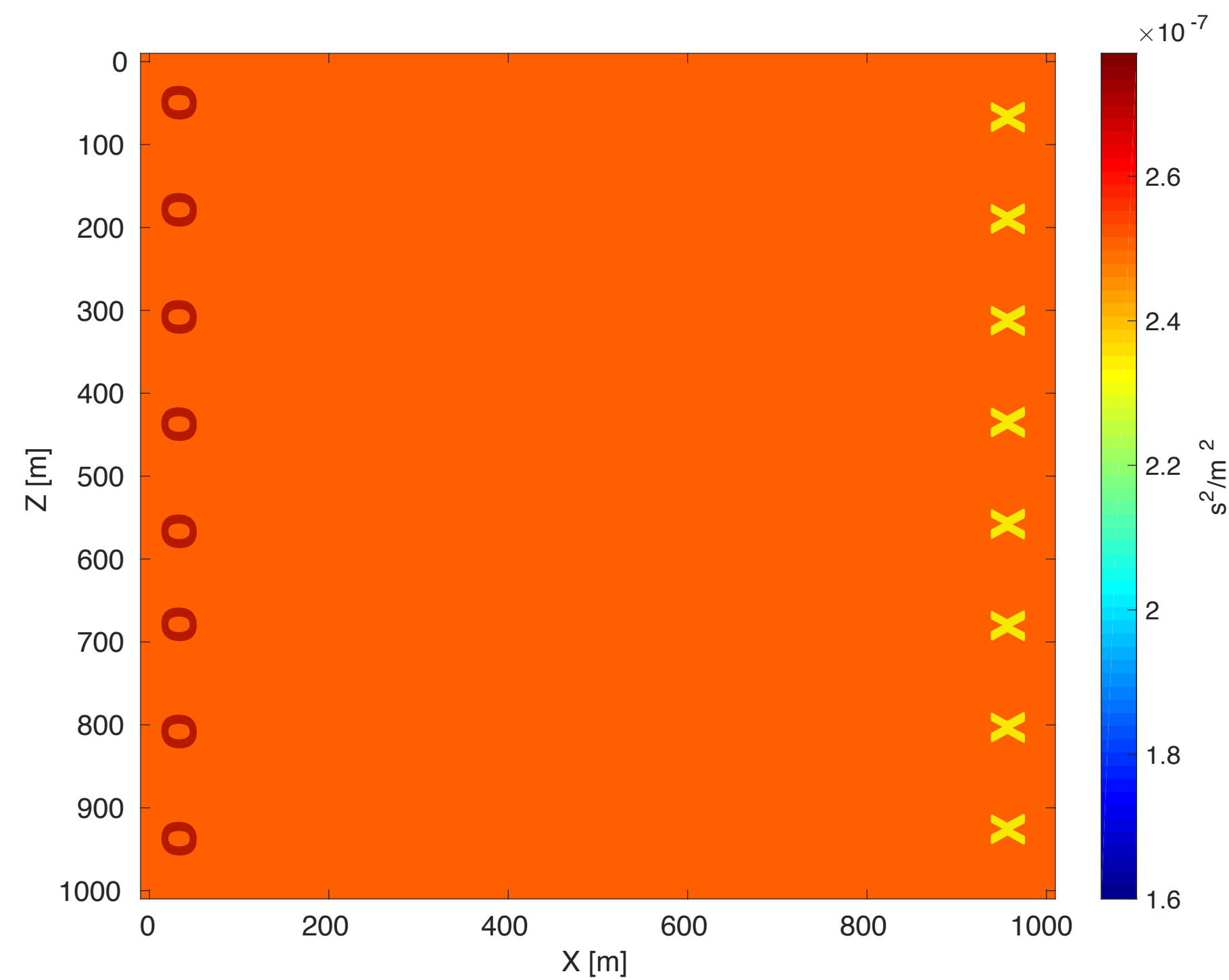
Frequency: [2, 6, 10, 14] Hz

Number of sources: 51

Number of receivers: 51

Number of samplers: 1e6

Numerical example - transmission case



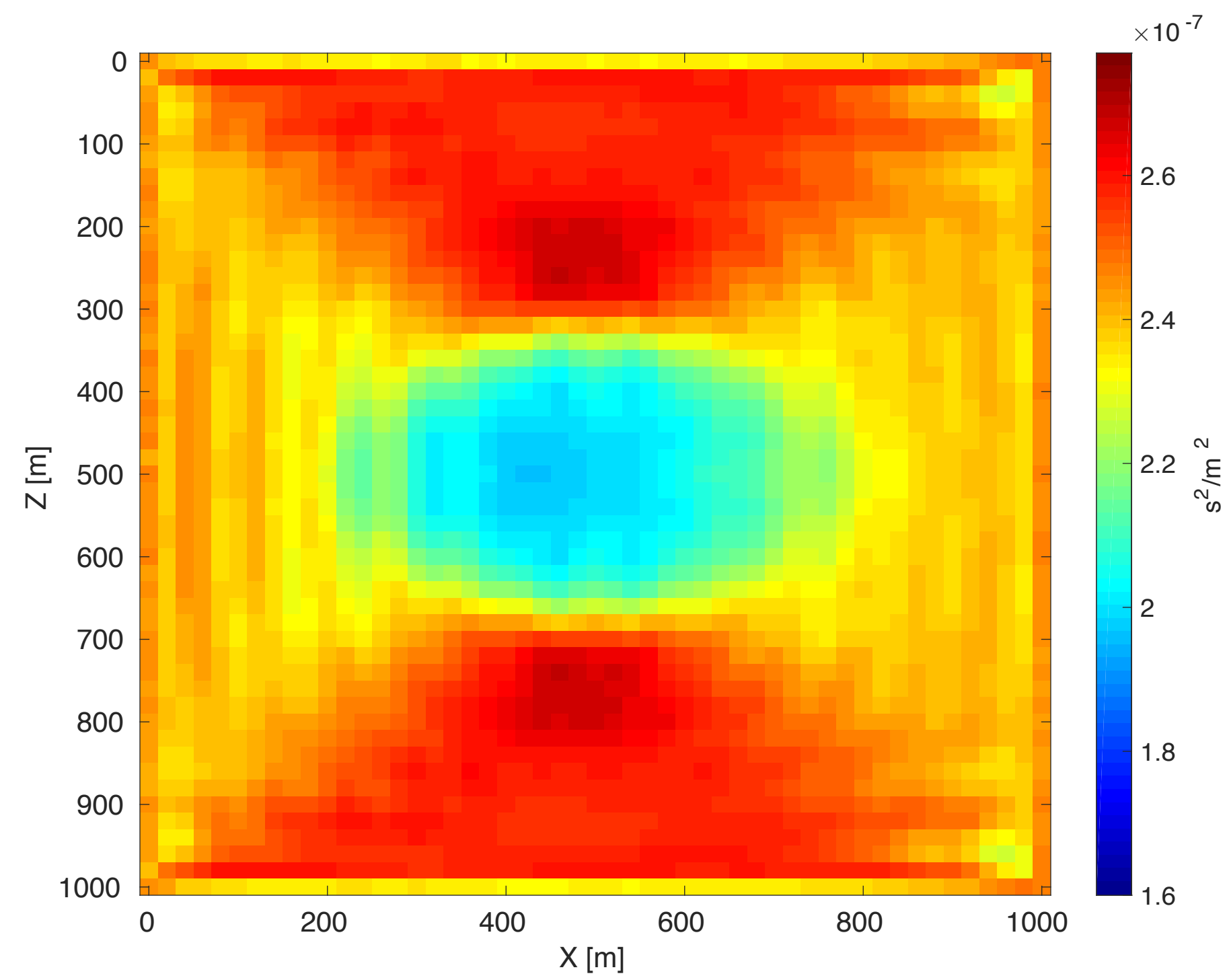
Prior mean model

$$\Sigma_{\text{prior}} = \sigma_{\text{prior}}^2 \mathbf{I}, \sigma_{\text{prior}} = 1e-8 \text{s}^2/\text{m}^2$$

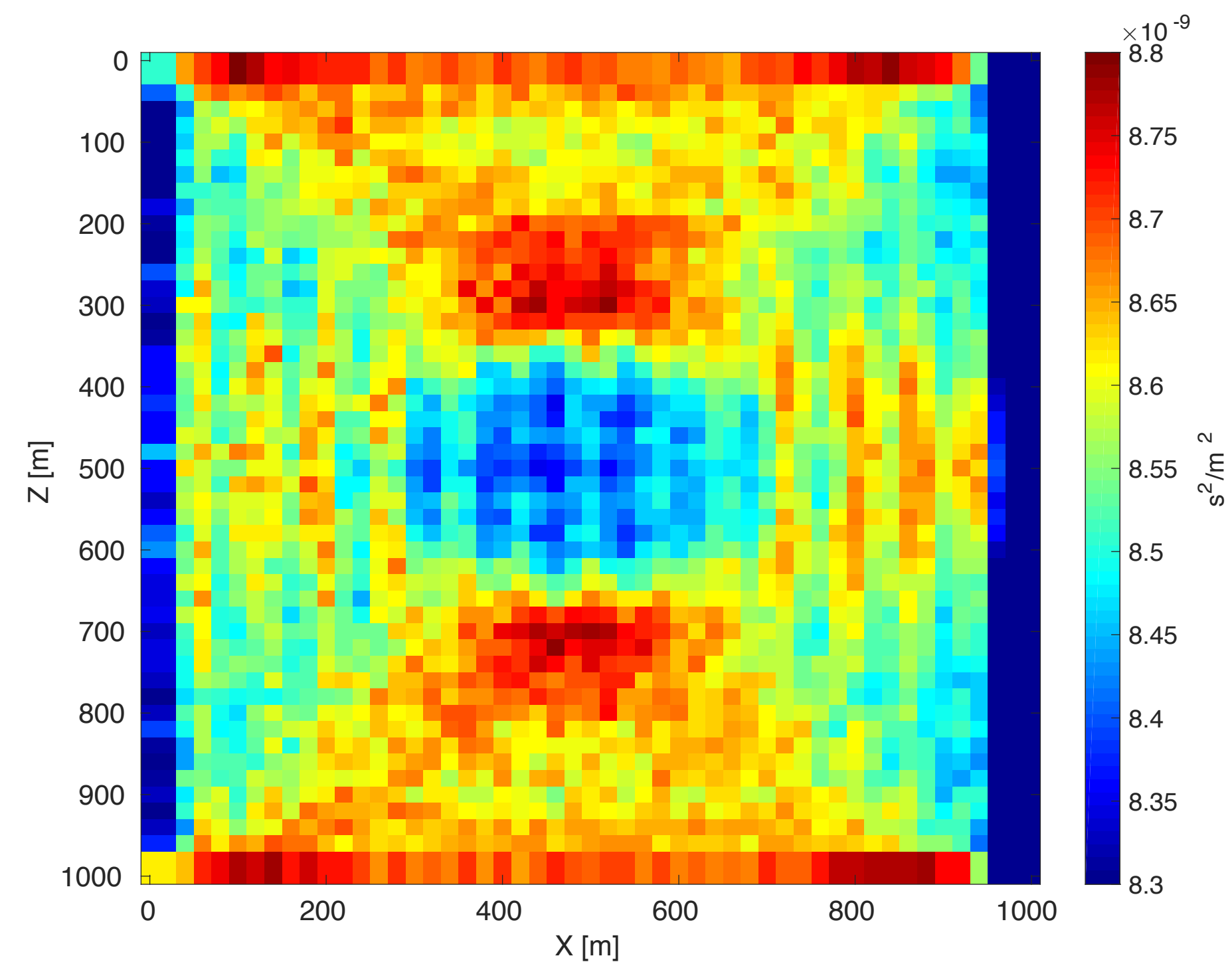
$$\Sigma_{\text{noise}} = \sigma_{\text{noise}}^2 \mathbf{I}, \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1e0$$

$$\lambda = 1e4$$

Posterior mean and STD

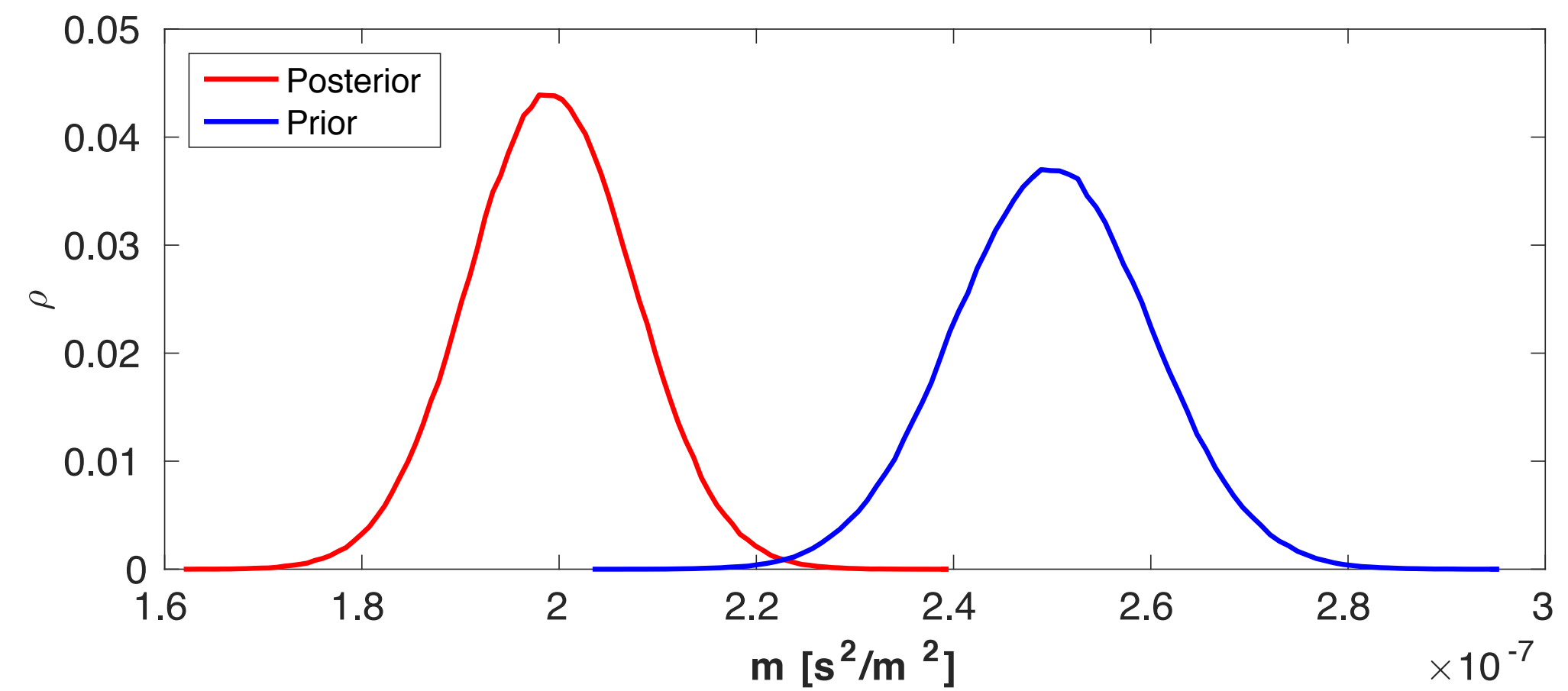
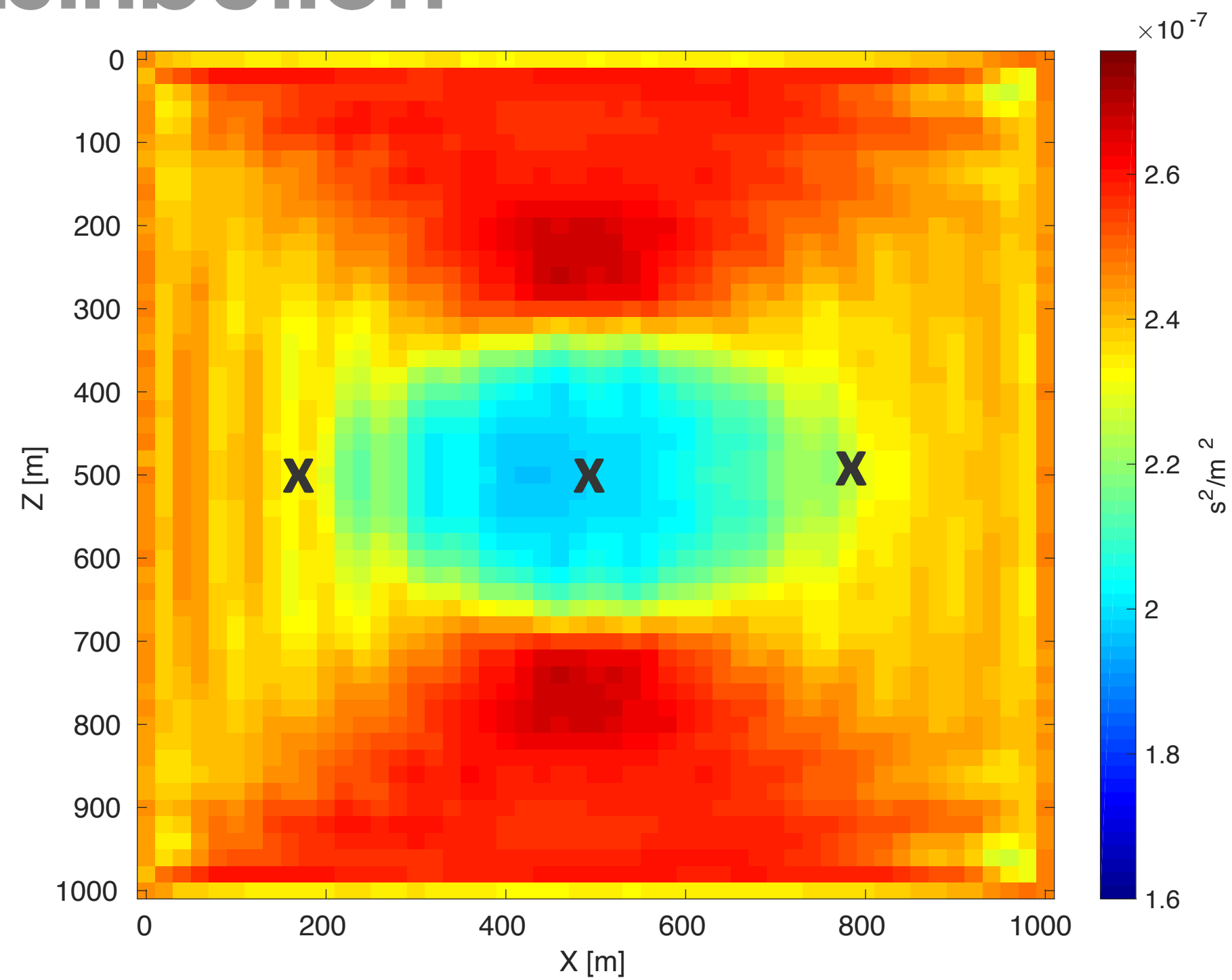


Posterior mean model

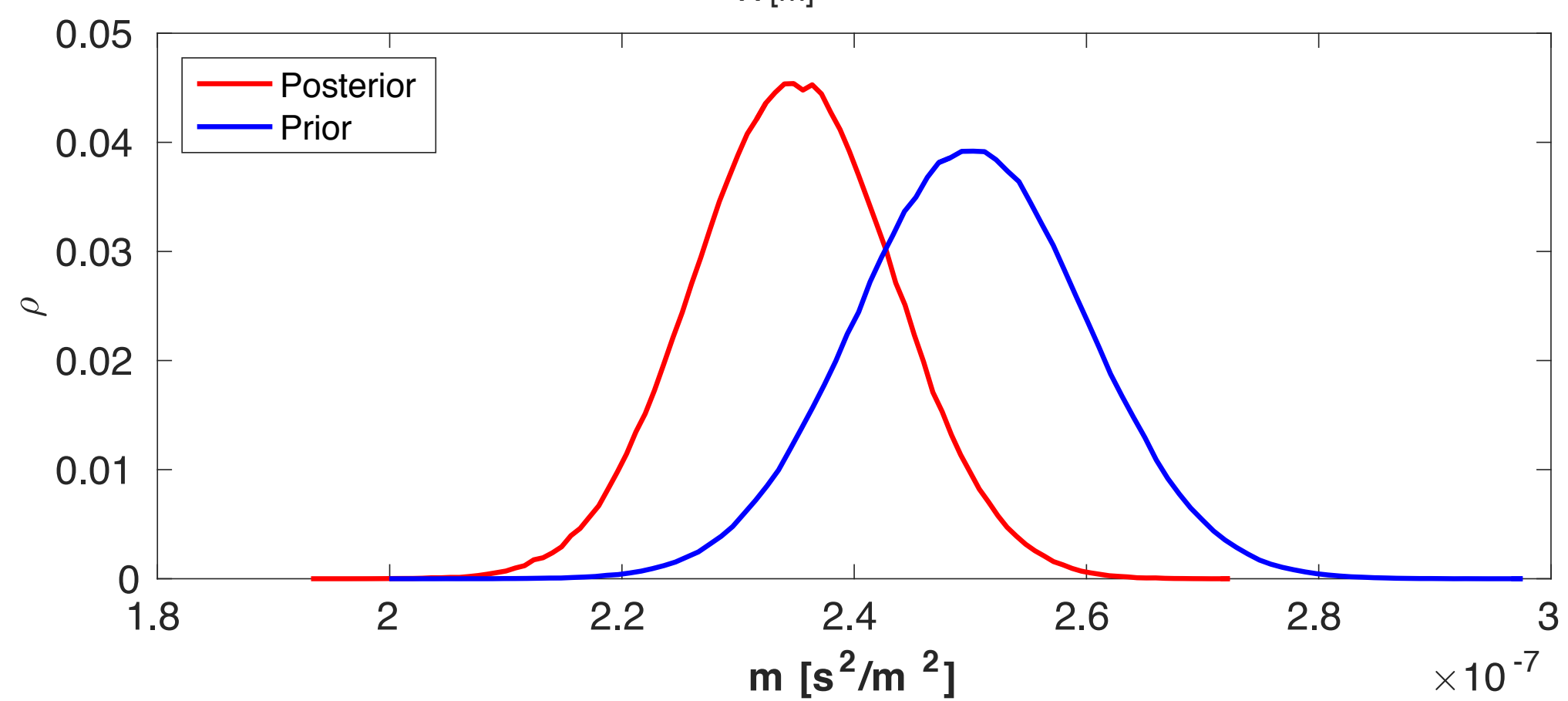


Posterior STD

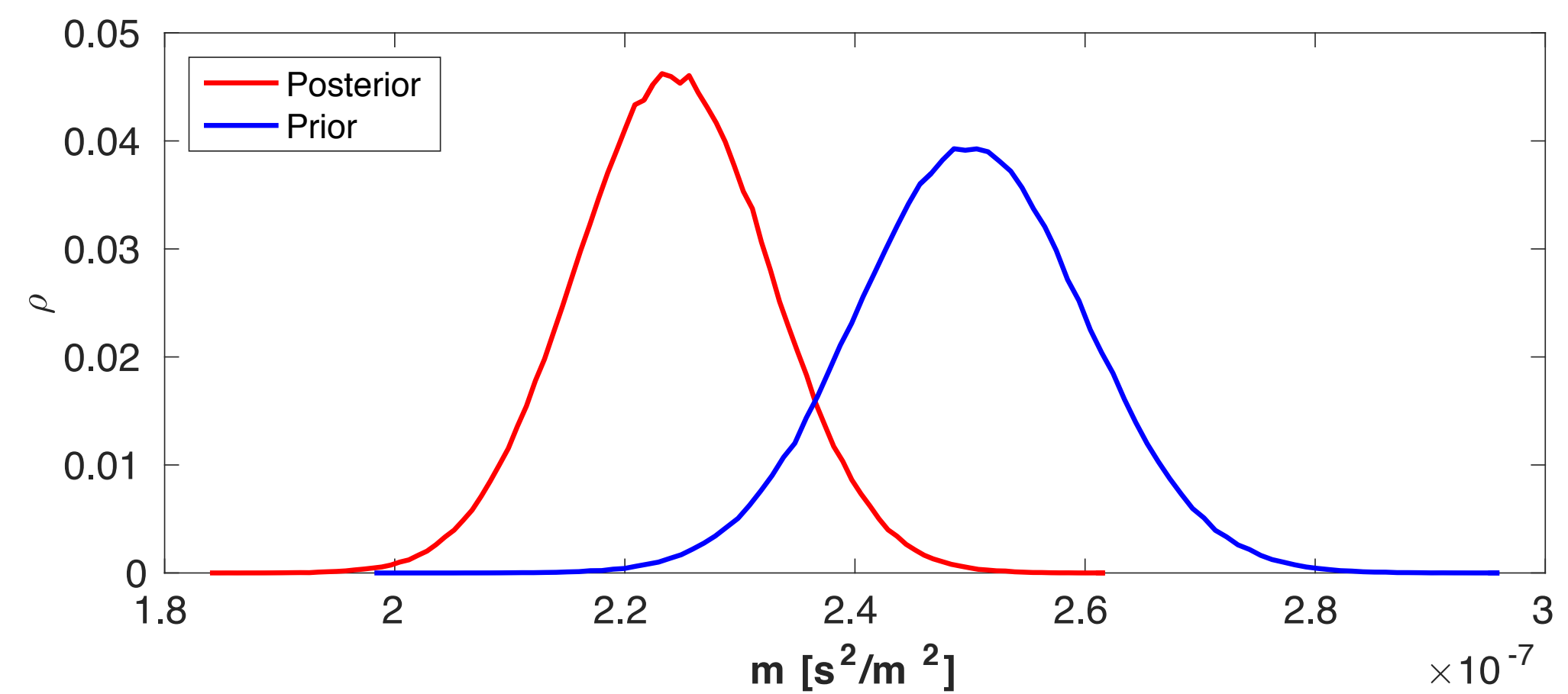
Distribution



$x = 500$ m $z = 500$ m

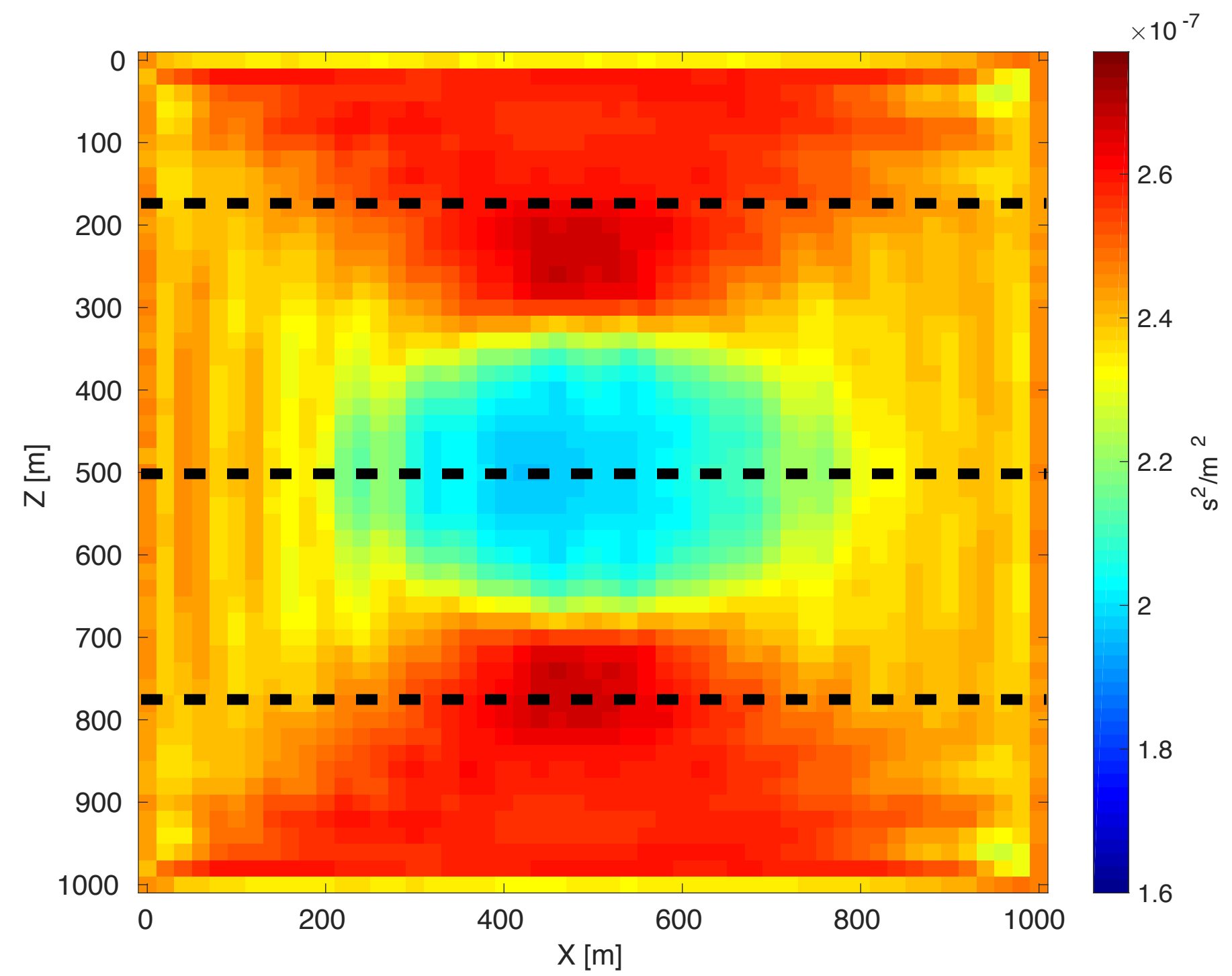


$x = 180$ m $z = 500$ m

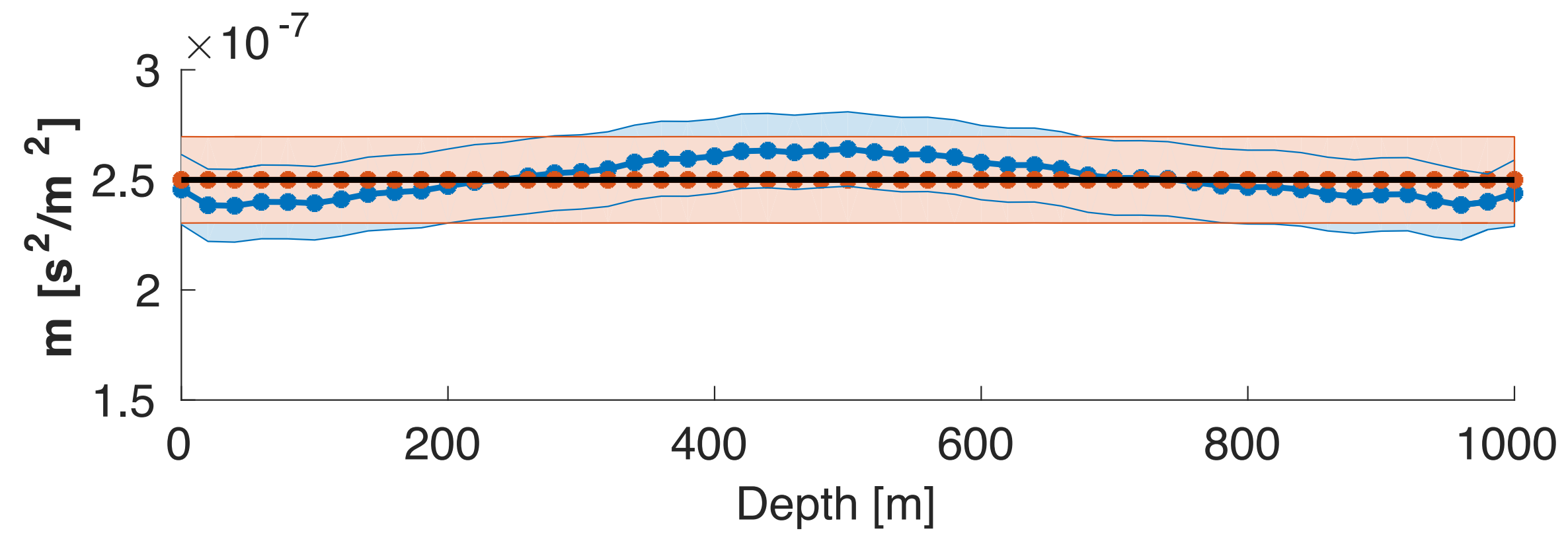


$x = 780$ m $z = 500$ m

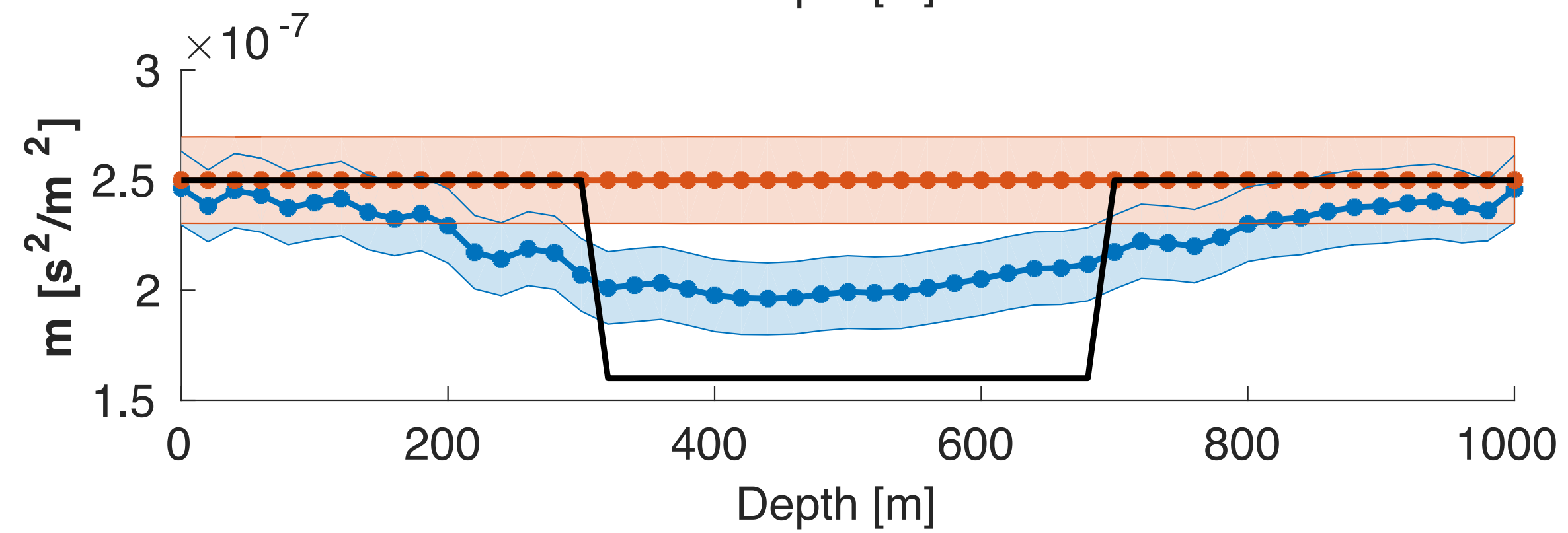
95% Confidence interval



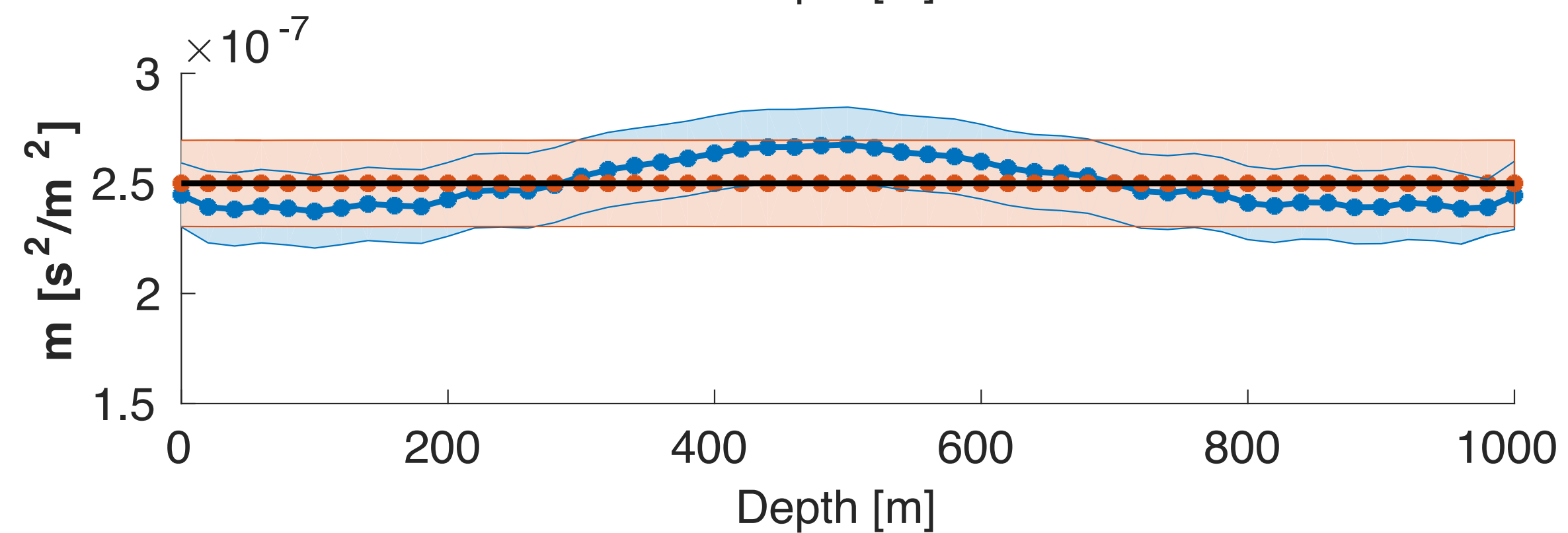
95% Confidence interval



$z = 180\text{m}$

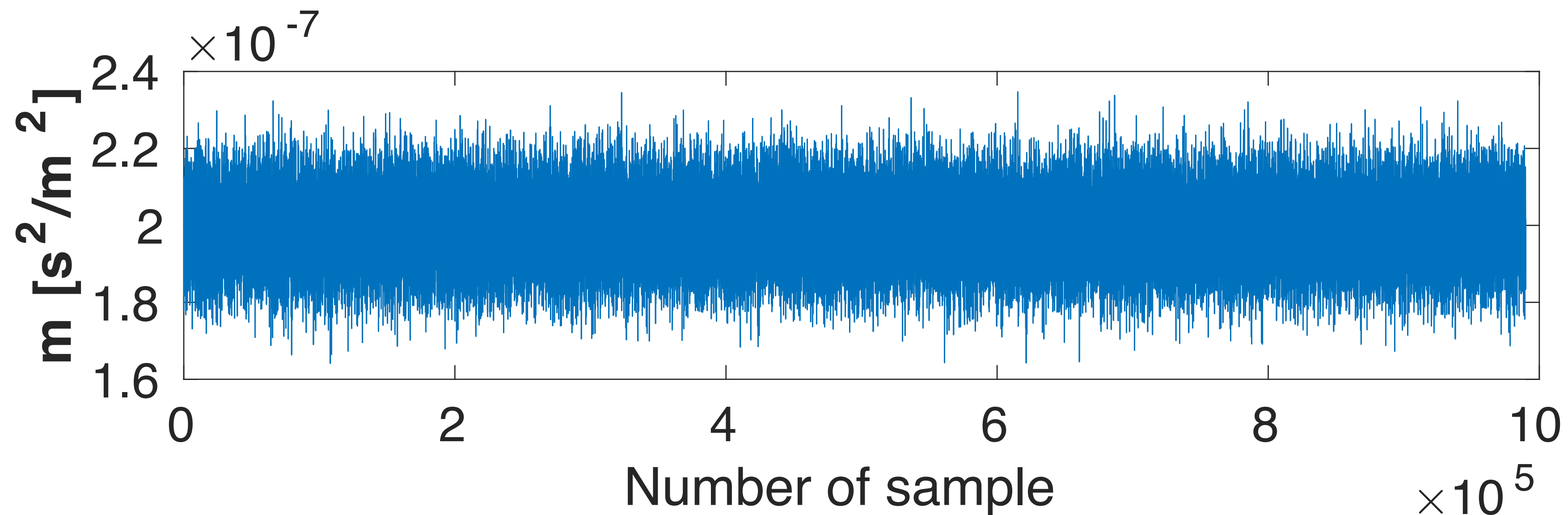
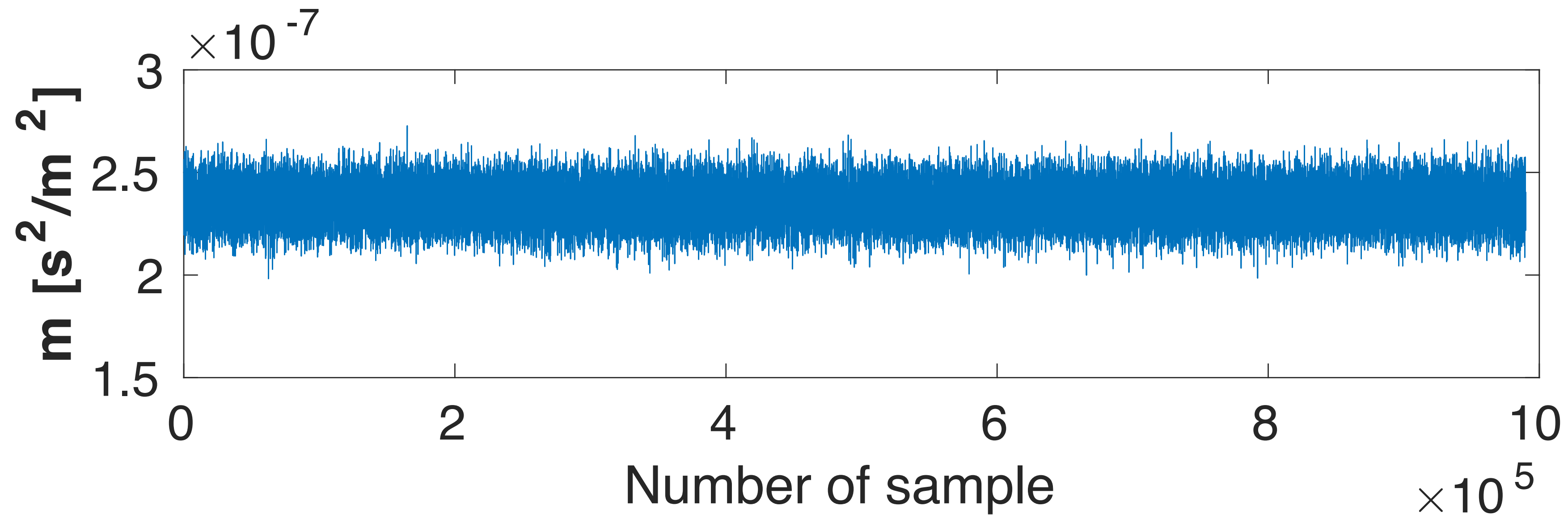


$z = 500\text{m}$

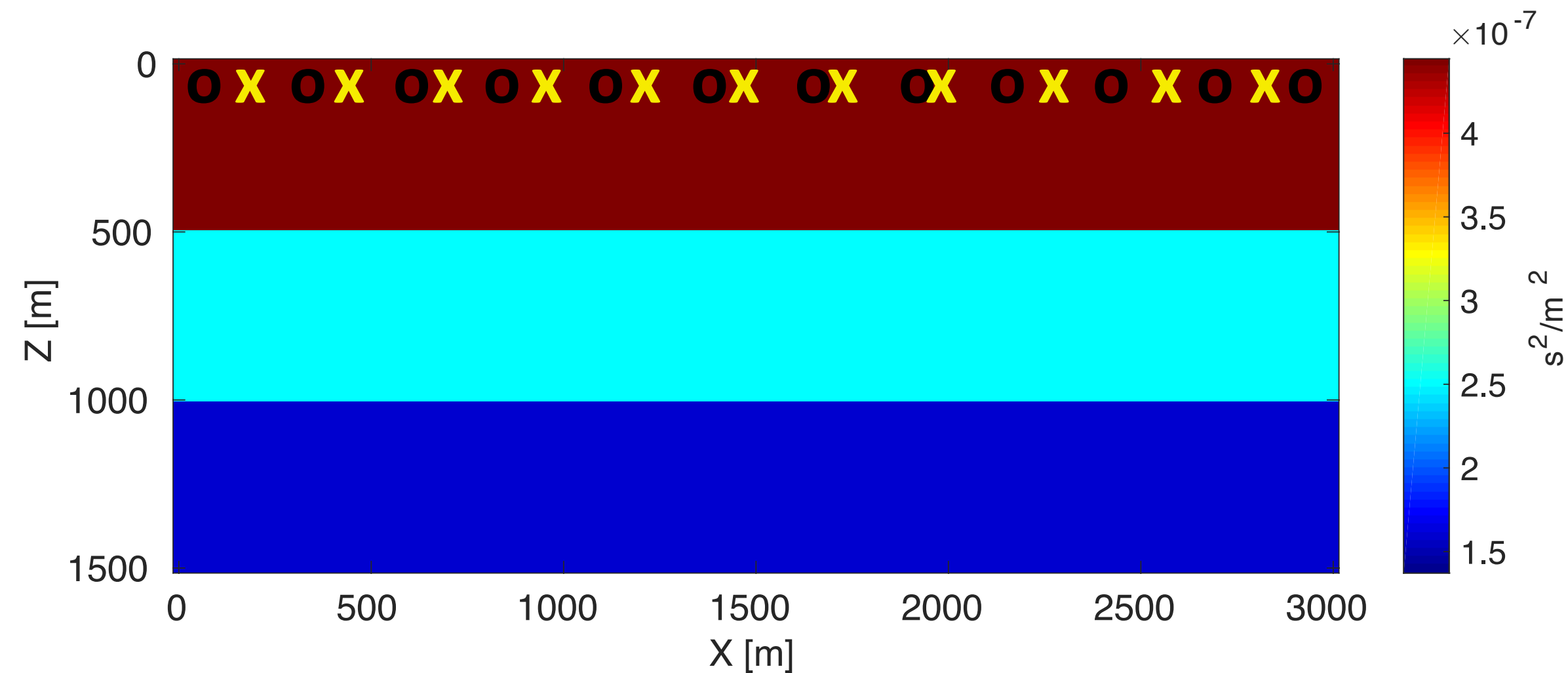


$z = 780\text{m}$

Samples



Numerical example - reflection case



True model

Model size: 1500m x 3000m

Grid size: 30m x 30m

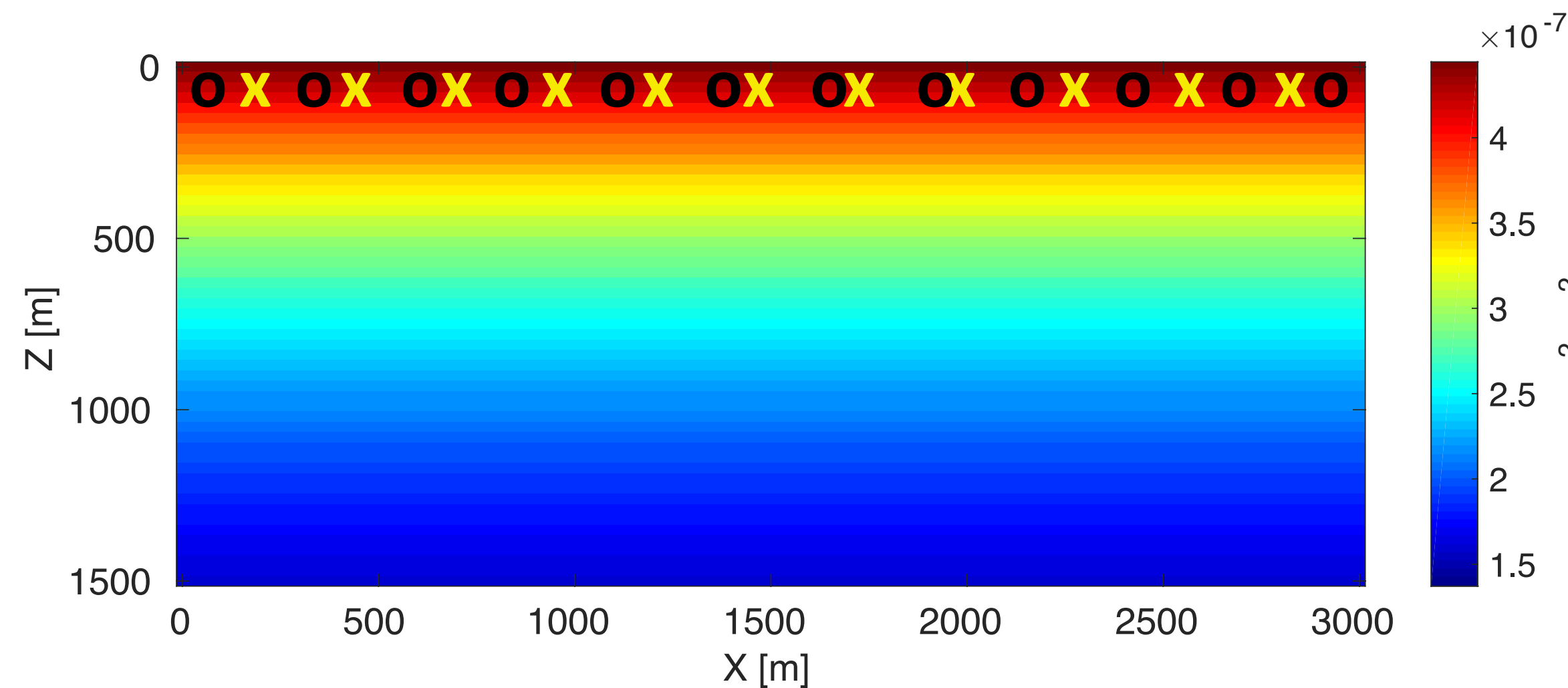
Frequency: [2, 4, 6, 8] Hz

Number of sources: 21

Number of receivers: 101

Number of samplers: 5e5

Numerical example - reflection case



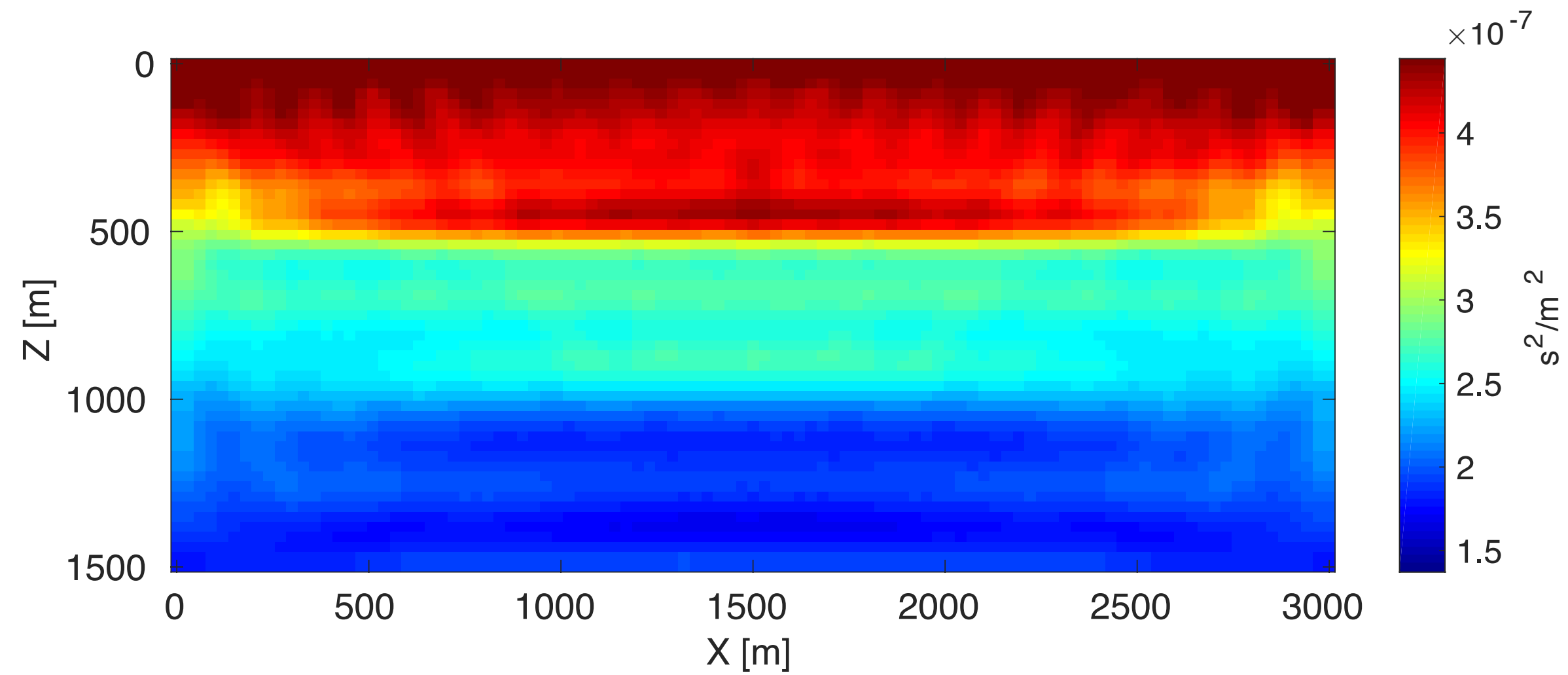
Prior mean model

$$\Sigma_{\text{prior}} = \sigma_{\text{prior}}^2 \mathbf{I}, \sigma_{\text{prior}} = 3e-8 \text{ s}^2 / \text{m}^2$$

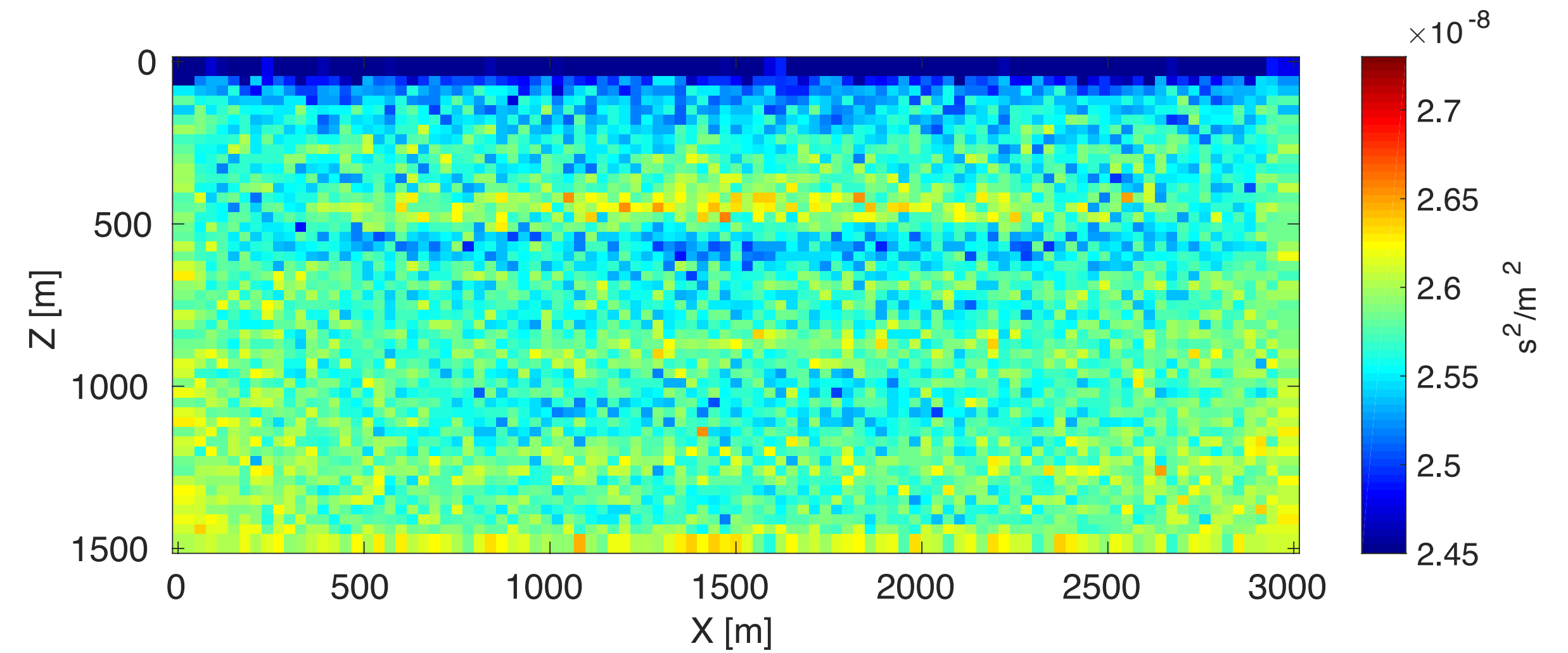
$$\Sigma_{\text{noise}} = \sigma_{\text{noise}}^2 \mathbf{I}, \sigma_{\text{noise}} = 1e1$$

$$\lambda = 1e3$$

Posterior mean and STD

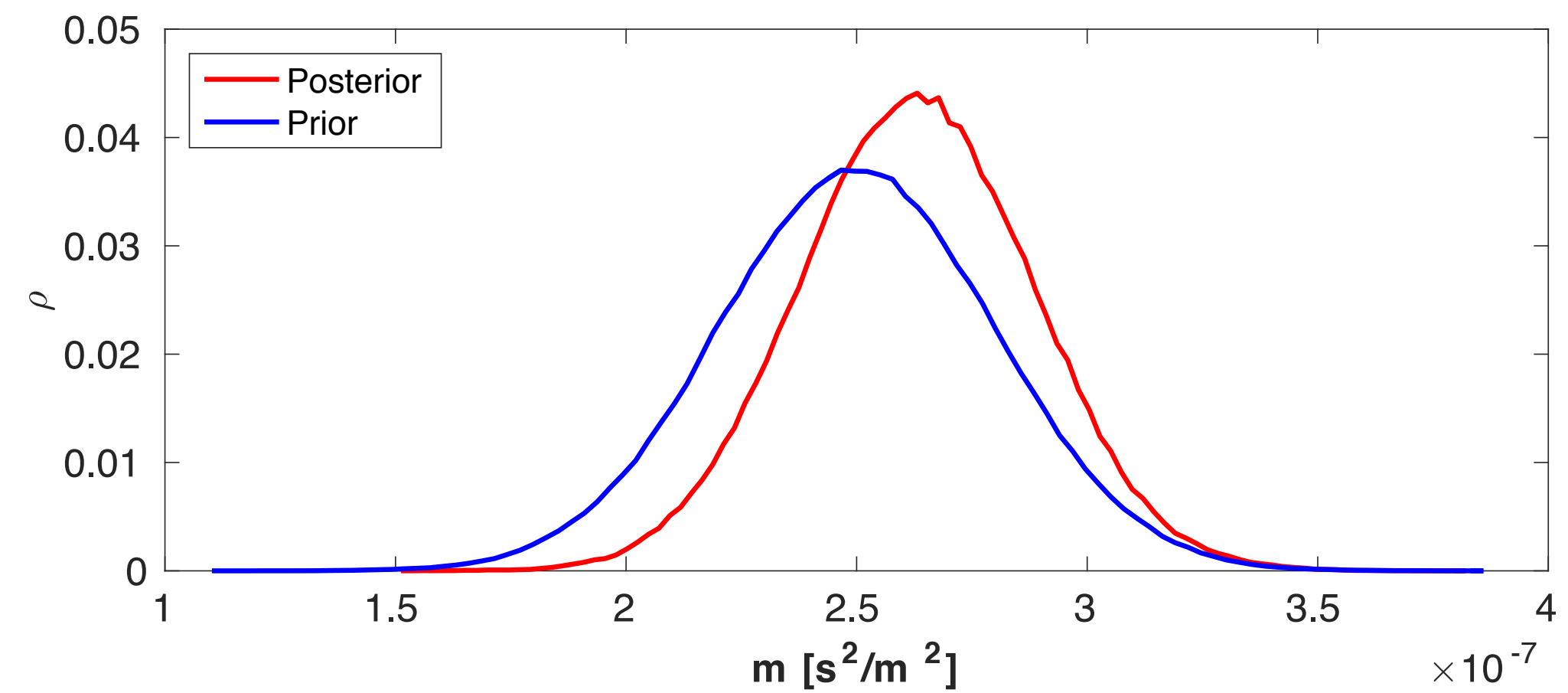
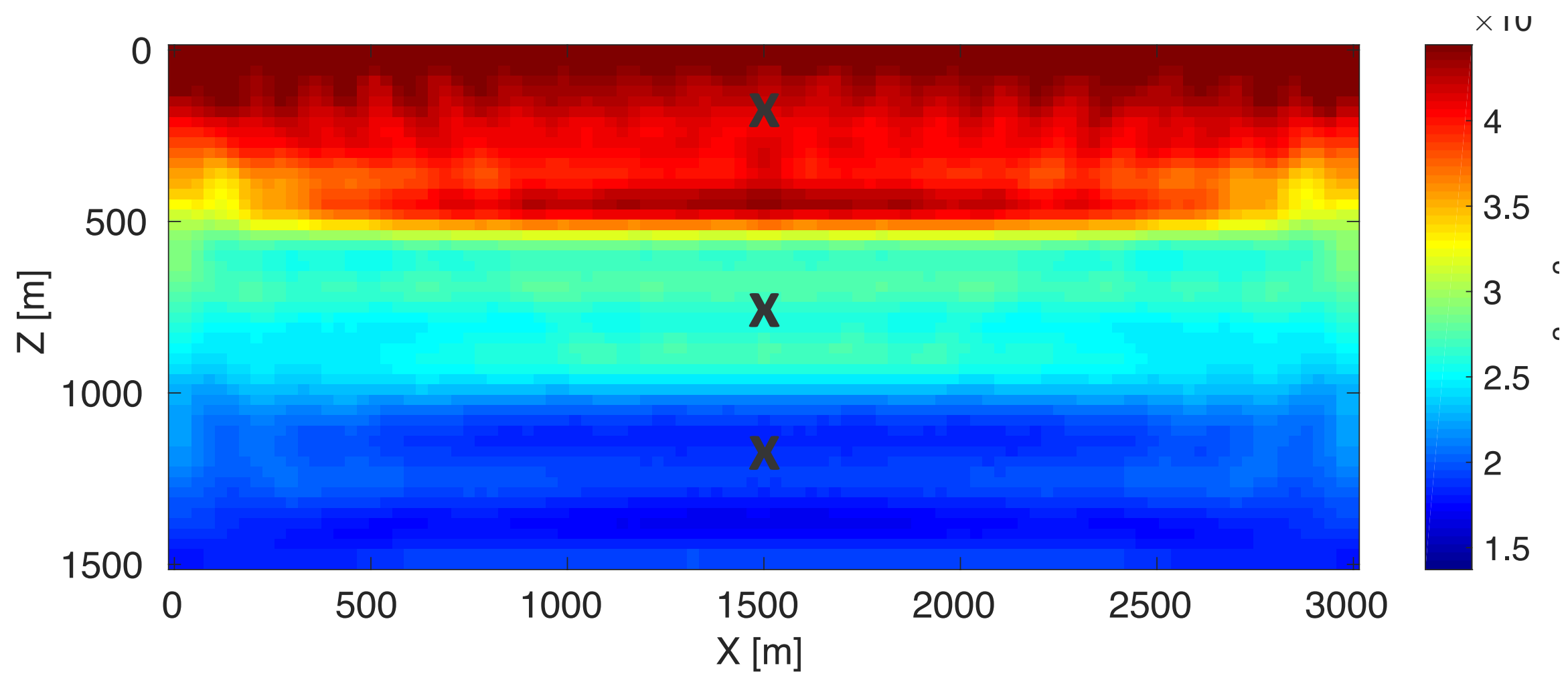


Posterior mean model

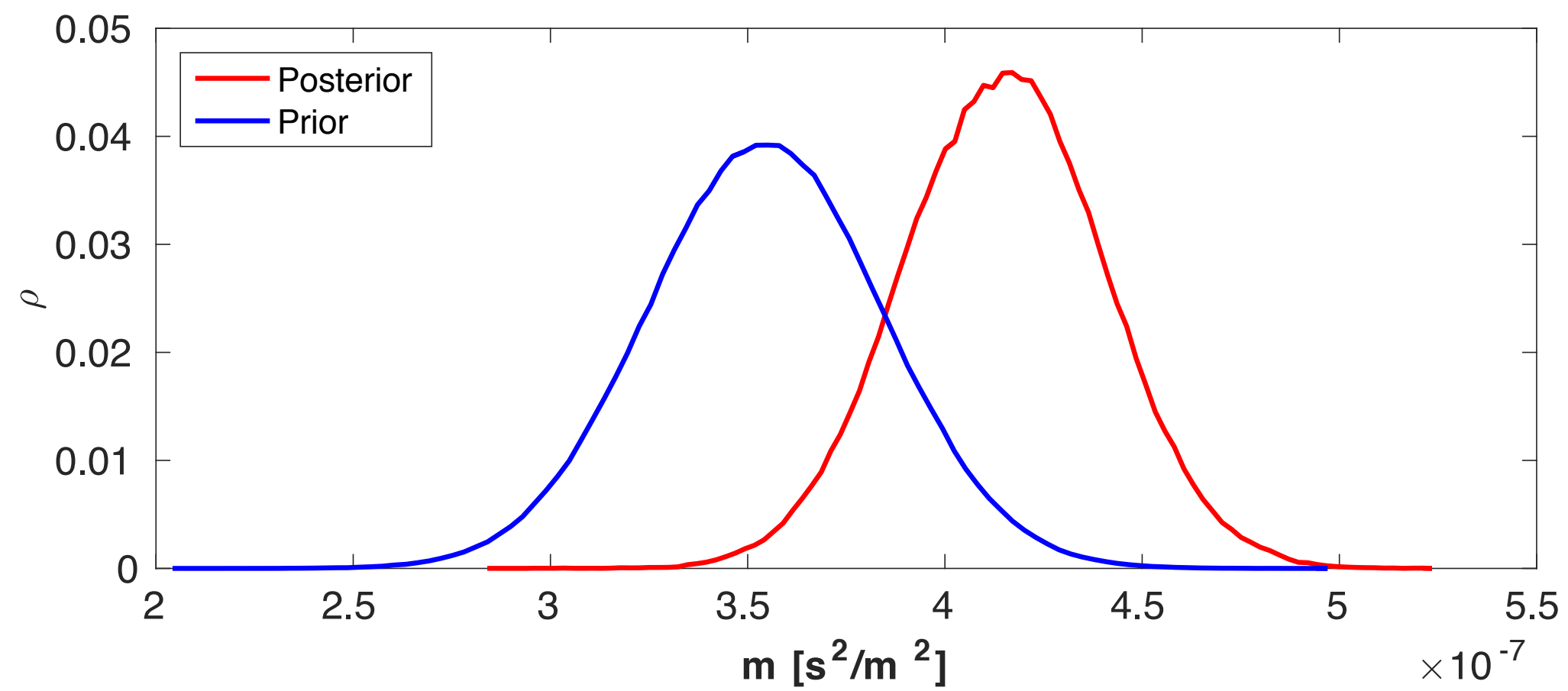


Posterior STD

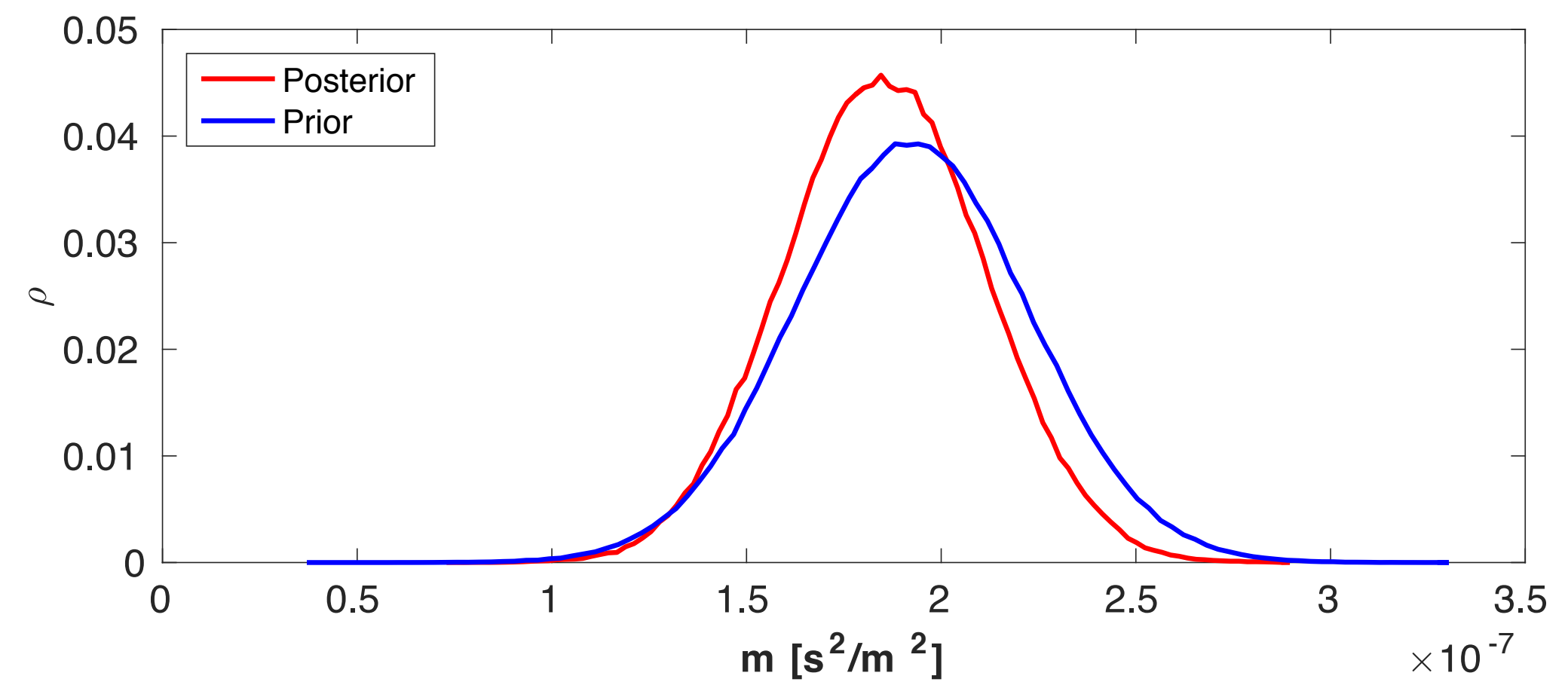
Distribution



x = 1500m z = 750m

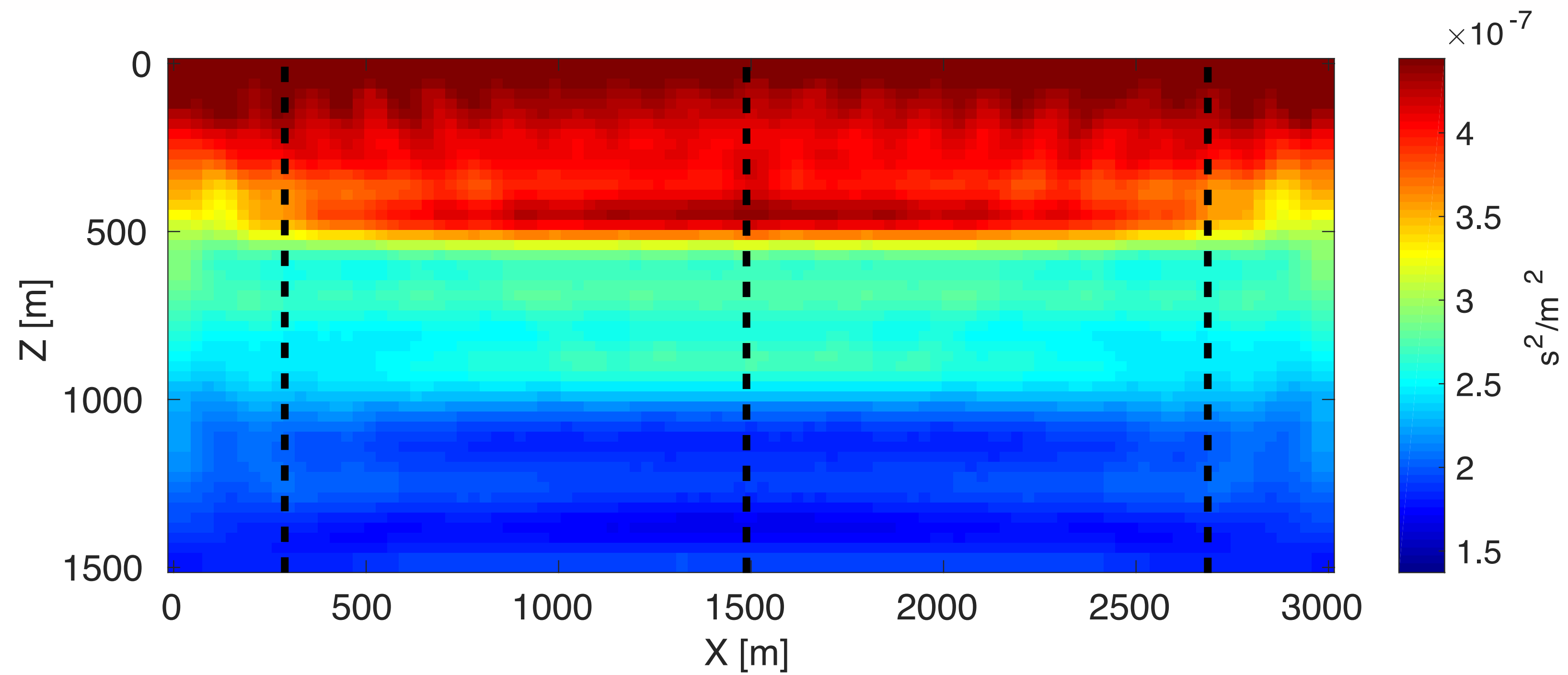


x = 1500m z = 270m

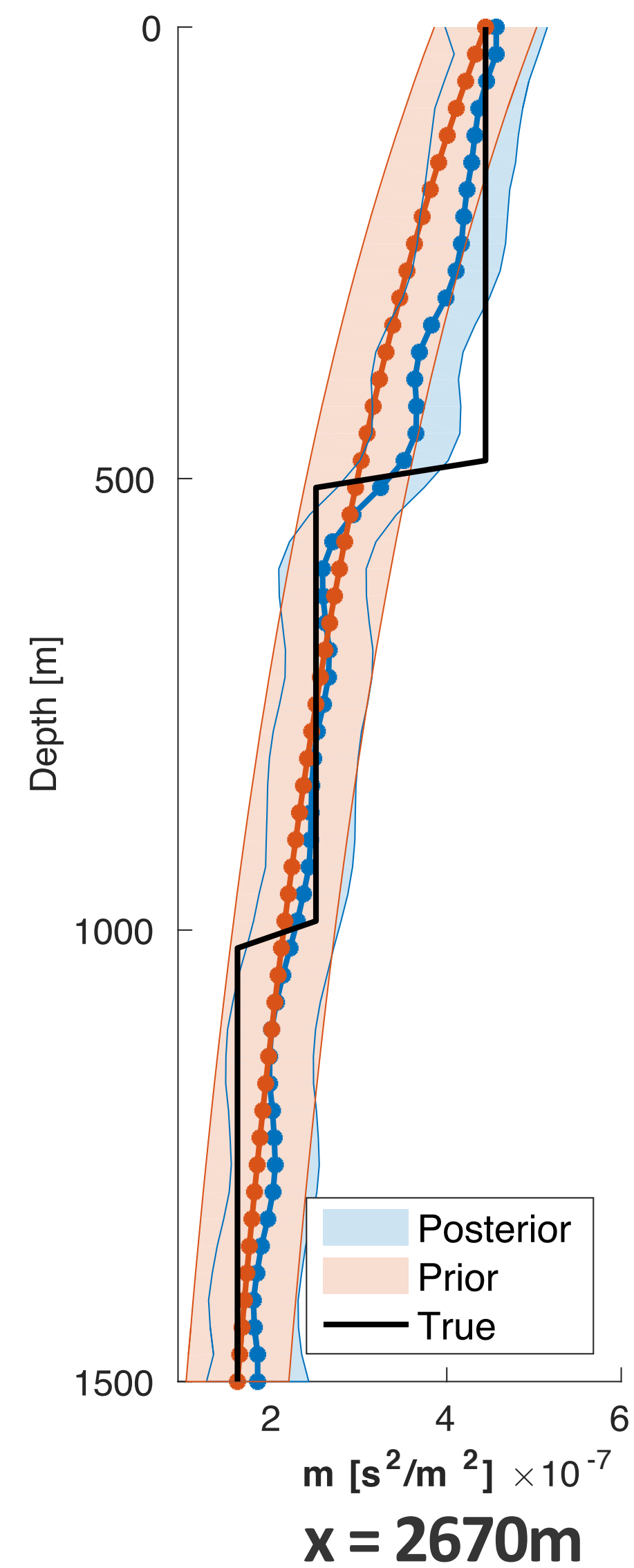
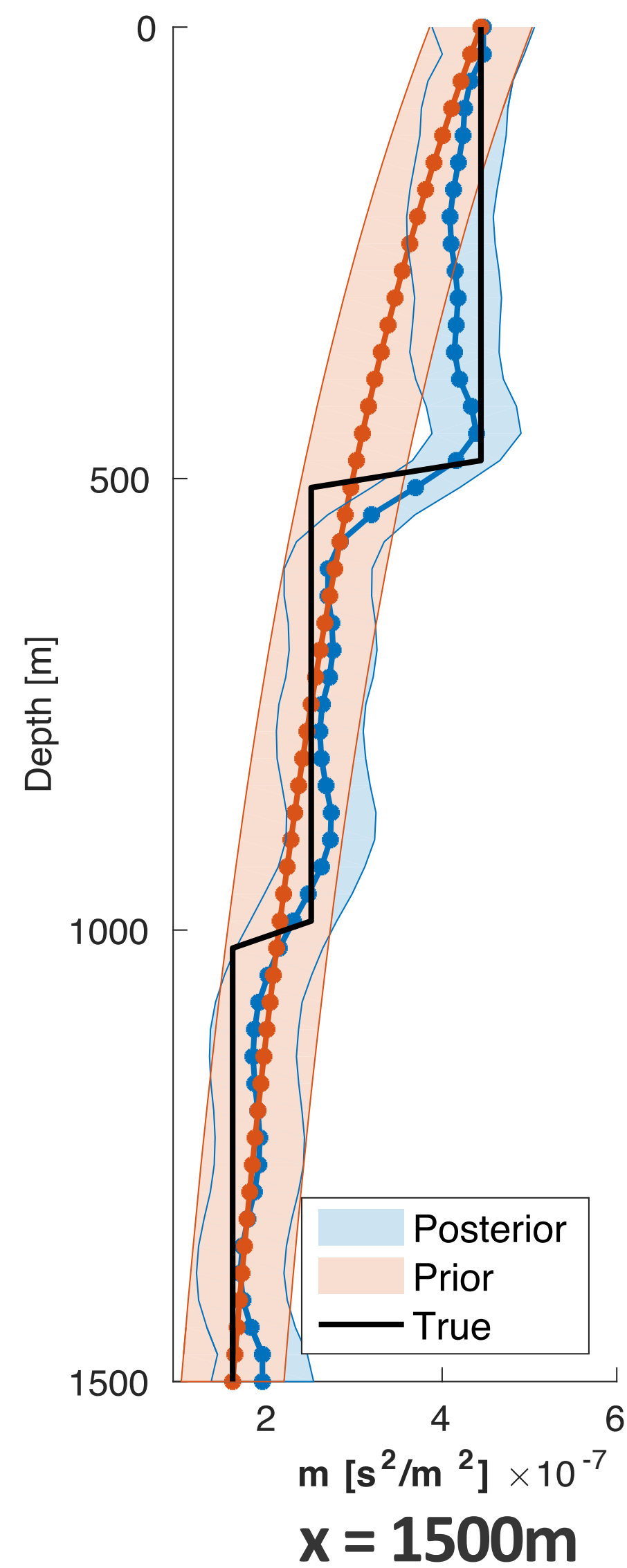
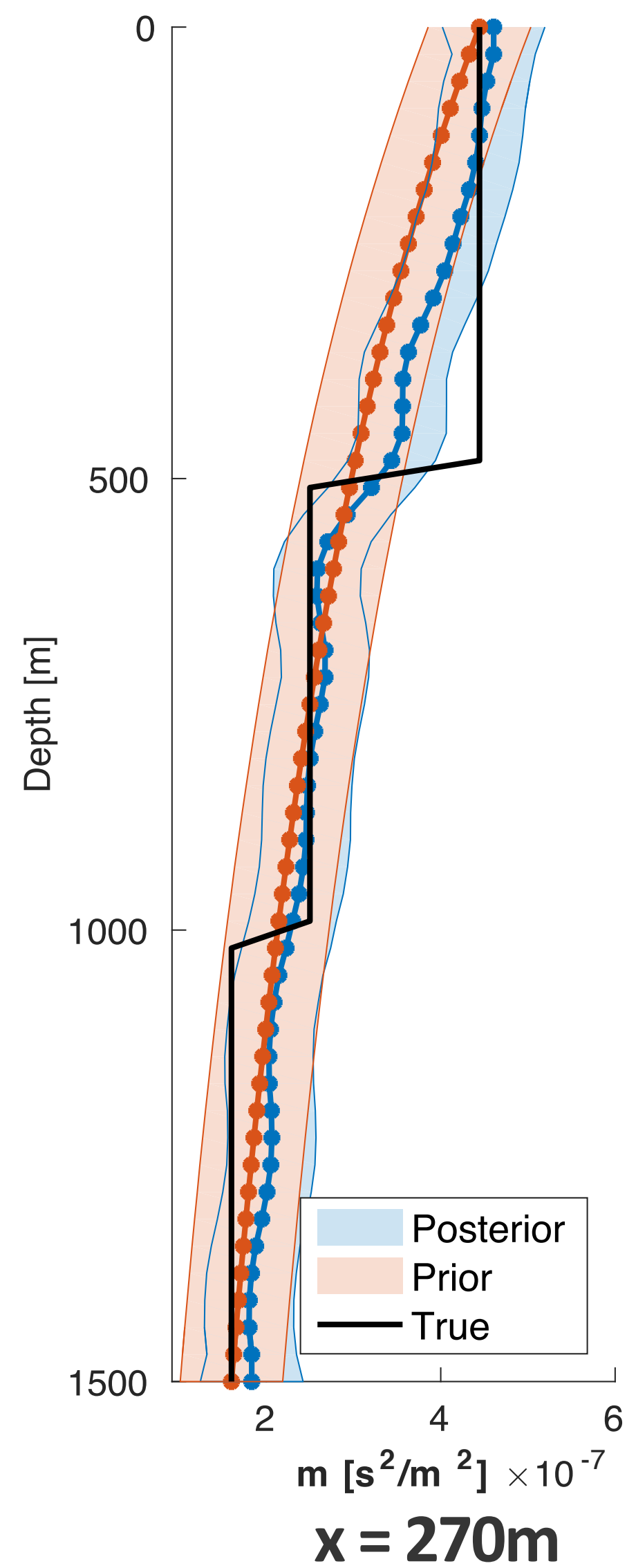


x = 1500m z = 1170m

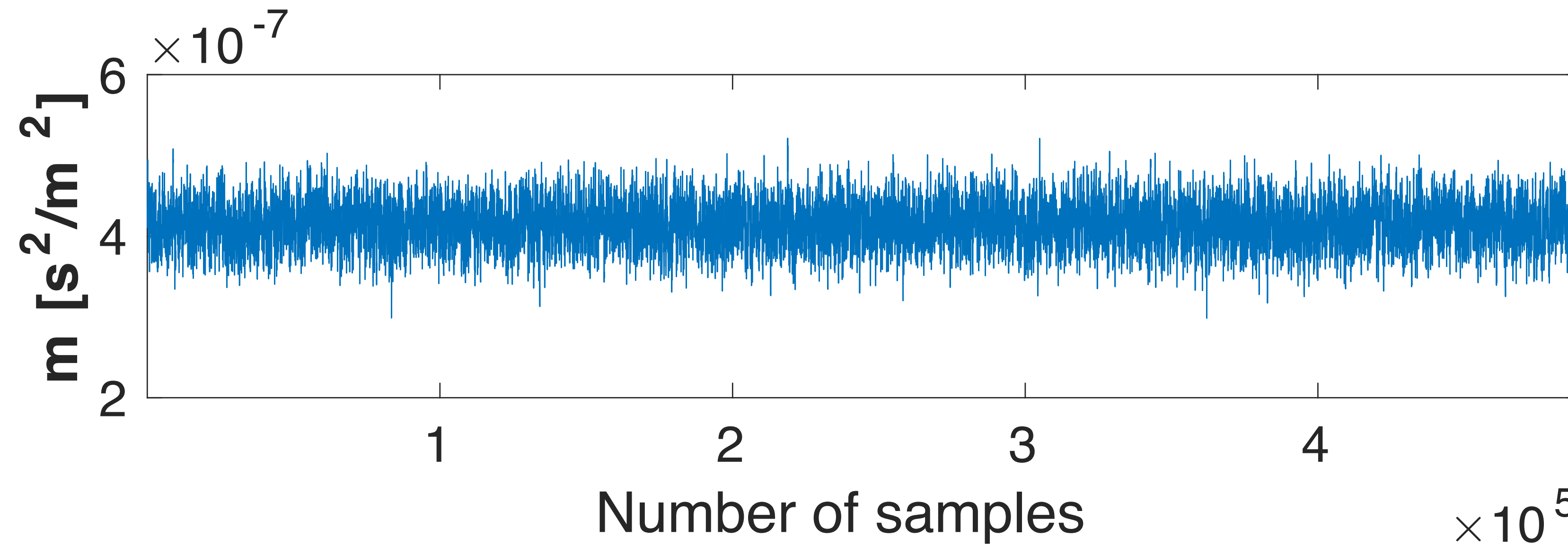
95% Confidence interval



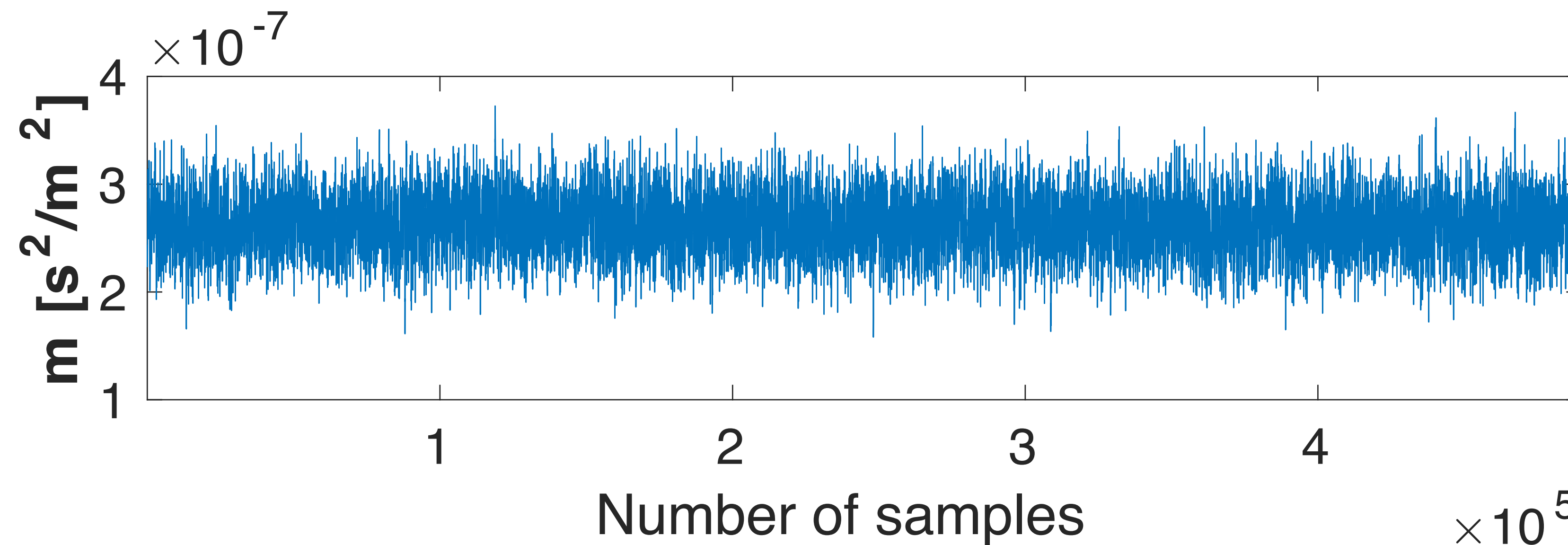
95% Confidence interval



Samples



$x = 1500m$ $z = 270m$



$x = 1500m$ $z = 750m$

Conclusion

Posterior distribution for weak PDE constraints inverse problems:

- joint distribution with respect to the model parameters and wavefields
- conditional distributions – Gaussian distributions with sparse covariance matrices
- Gibbs sampling method – sample model parameters and wavefields from the corresponding conditional distributions alternatively
- Computational cost – one PDE solve per each source per each iteration

Reference

Albert Tarantola, and Bernard Valette. "Inverse problems= quest for information." *J. geophys* 50.3 (1982): 150-170.

Andrew M. Stuart, Jochen Voss, and Petter Wilberg. "Conditional path sampling of SDEs and the Langevin MCMC method." *Communications in Mathematical Sciences* 2.4 (2004): 685-697.

James Martin, Lucas C. Wilcox, Carsten Burstedde, and OMAR Ghattas. A Stochastic Newton MCMC Method for Large-scale Statistical Inverse Problems with Application to Seismic Inversion. *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 34(3):A1460–A1487, 2012.

Jean Virieux and Stéphane Operto. An overview of full-waveform inversion in exploration geophysics. *GEOPHYSICS*, 74(6):WCC1–WCC26, 2009.

Tristan van Leeuwen and Felix J. Herrmann. Mitigating local minima in full-waveform inversion by expanding the search space. *Geophysical Journal International*, 195:661–667, 10 2013.

Tristan van Leeuwen and Felix J. Herrmann. A penalty method for PDE-constrained optimization in inverse problems. *Inverse Problems*, 32(1):015007, 12 2015.

Michael Fisher, Mand Leutbecher, and G. A. Kelly. "On the equivalence between Kalman smoothing and weak-constraint four-dimensional variational data assimilation." *Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society* 131.613 (2005): 3235-3246.

Acknowledgements

This research was carried out as part of the SINBAD project with the support of the member organizations of the SINBAD Consortium.

