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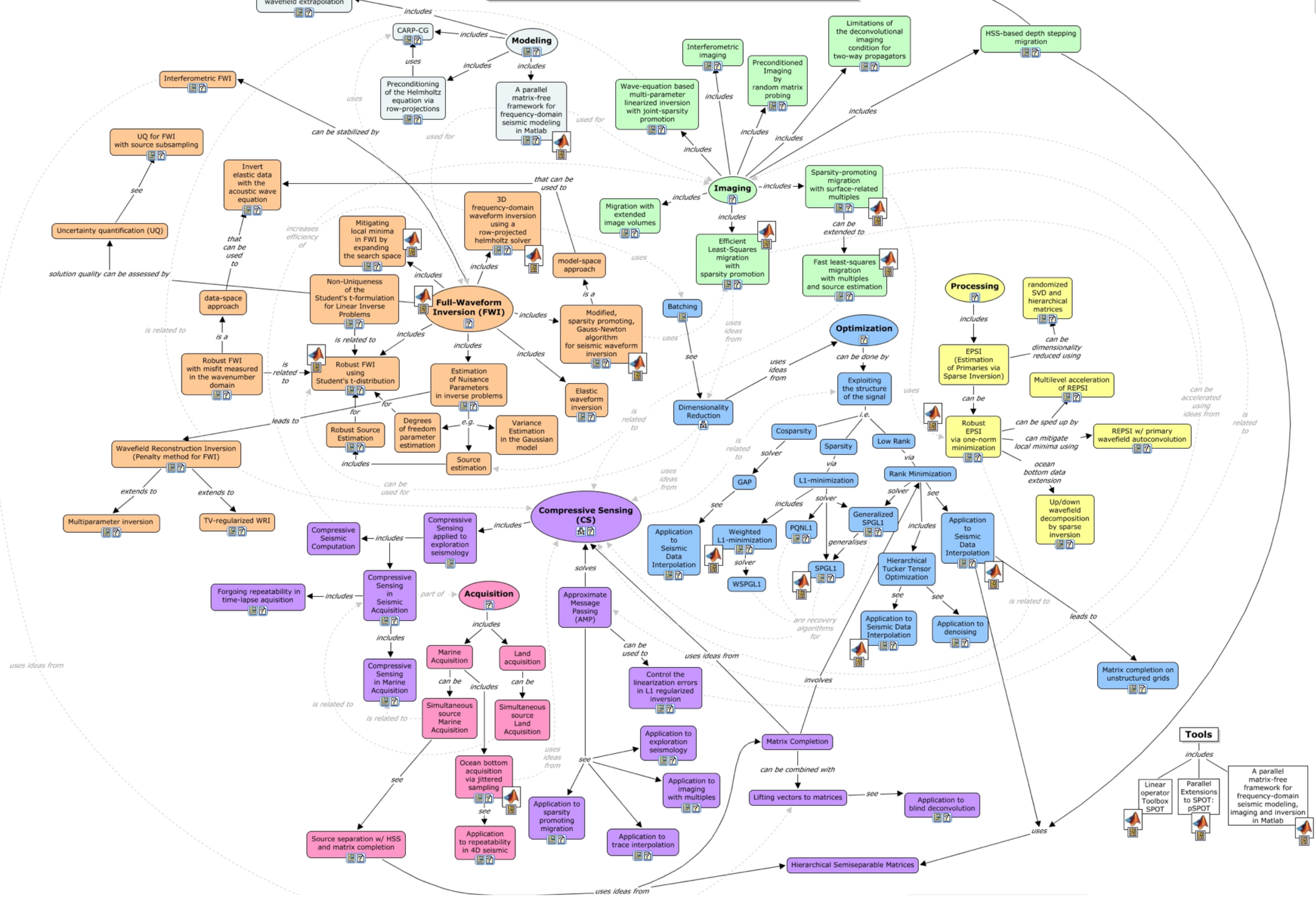
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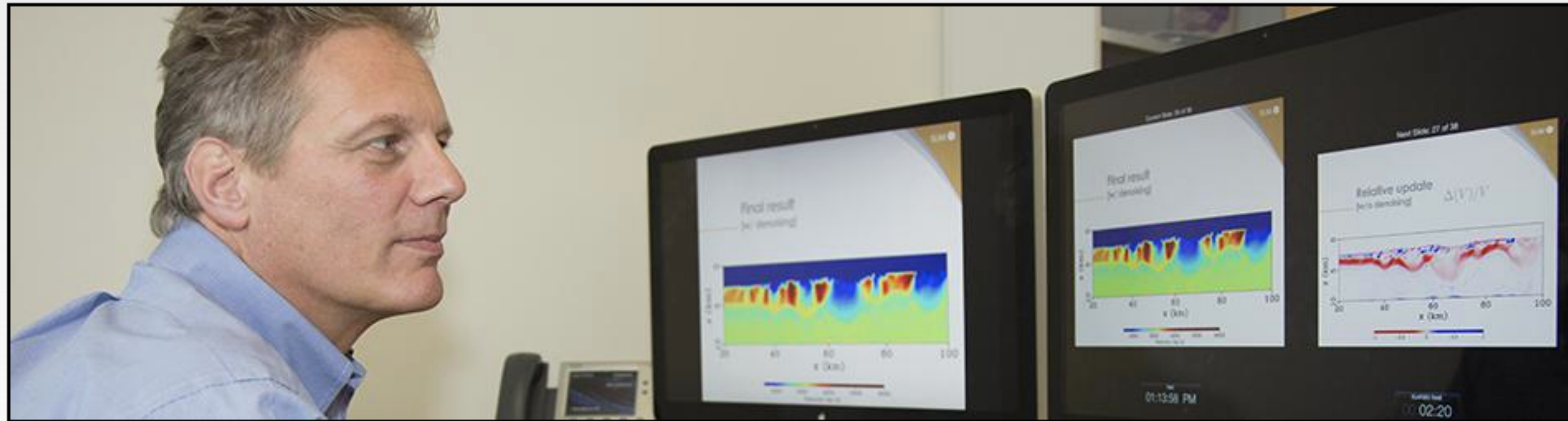
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### Upcoming events

**Mon, Aug 31st, 2015**  
Inaugural Full-Waveform  
Inversion Workshop, Brazil

**Wed, Sep 9th, 2015**  
Hansruedi Maurer, ETH Zurich  
"The curse of dimensionality in  
exploring the subsurface" 4:00  
PM, ESB 5104 - 2207 Main  
Mall, UBC Campus

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[SINBAD Consortium Meeting  
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### New Publications

- **Affordable full subsurface image volume—an application to WEMVA Conference** (*EAGE Workshop on Wave Equation based Migration Velocity Analysis, Madrid*)
- **Irregular grid tensor completion Conference** (*Workshop on Low-rank Optimization and Applications, University of Bonn, Germany*)
- **Wavefield-denoising and source encoding Conference** (*SIAM Conference on Mathematical and Computational Issues in the Geosciences, Stanford University, California*)
- **Sparsity promoting seismic imaging and full-waveform inversion Thesis** (*PhD*)
- **Total variation regularization strategies in full waveform inversion for improving robustness to noise, limited data and poor initializations Tech Report**
- **Sparse least-squares seismic imaging with source estimation utilizing multiples Conference** (*PIMS Workshop on Advances in Seismic Imaging and Inversion, University of Alberta, Edmonton*)
- **A new take on compressive time-lapse seismic acquisition, imaging and inversion Conference** (*PIMS Workshop on Advances in Seismic Imaging and Inversion, University of Alberta, Edmonton*)
- **Compressive time-lapse seismic data processing using shared information Conference** (*CSEG,*

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Mathias Louboutin and Felix J. Herrmann, "[Time compressively sampled full-waveform inversion with stochastic optimization](#)". 2015. [Abstract](#) [BibTex](#)

2014

Felix J. Herrmann, Ernie Esser, Tristan van Leeuwen, and Bas Peters, "[Wavefield Reconstruction Inversion \(WRI\) – a new take on wave-equation based inversion](#)", in *SEG Workshop on Full Waveform Inversion - Elastic Approaches and Issues with Anisotropy, Nonshallow Inversion, Poor Starting Model; Denver*, 2014. [BibTex](#)

Rafael Lago, Art Petrenko, Zhilong Fang, and Felix J. Herrmann, "[Fast solution of time-harmonic wave-equation for full-waveform inversion](#)", in *EAGE Annual Conference Proceedings*, 2014. [Abstract](#) [BibTex](#)

Zhilong Fang, Curt Da Silva, and Felix J. Herrmann, "[Fast uncertainty quantification for 2D full-waveform inversion with randomized source subsampling](#)", in *EAGE Annual Conference Proceedings*, 2014. [Abstract](#) [BibTex](#)

# Software releases

<https://sinbad.eos.ubc.ca/SoftwareReleases/highlights>

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### 1. Acquisition

- a. 2D ocean-bottom marine acquisition via jittered sampling [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- b. Rank minimization based source-separation in time-jittered marine acquisition [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- c. Source separation via SVD-free rank minimization in the hierarchical semi-separable representation [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- d. Time-jittered blended marine acquisition on non-uniform grids [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- e. Joint recovery method for time-lapse seismic data [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)

### 2. Imaging

- a. Efficient least-squares imaging with sparsity promotion and compressive sensing [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- b. Fast imaging with surface-related multiples by sparse inversion (update in master branch) [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- c. Fast least-squares imaging with source estimation using multiples (update in master branch) [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- d. Time domain LSRTM with sparsity promotion (new in master branch) [\[Read More\]](#) [\[Video\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- e. Wavefield reconstruction imaging [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)

### 3. Modeling

- a. Tutorial for 2D Frequency-domain acoustic modeling and imaging [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- b. 3D Frequency-Domain Modeling Kernel [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)
- c. Tutorial for time-domain 2D/3D acoustic modeling [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)

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3rd-party software for multi-user installation of SLIM software release to SINBAD sponsors - not required by some of applications from SLIM-release-apps

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### People

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Invite someone



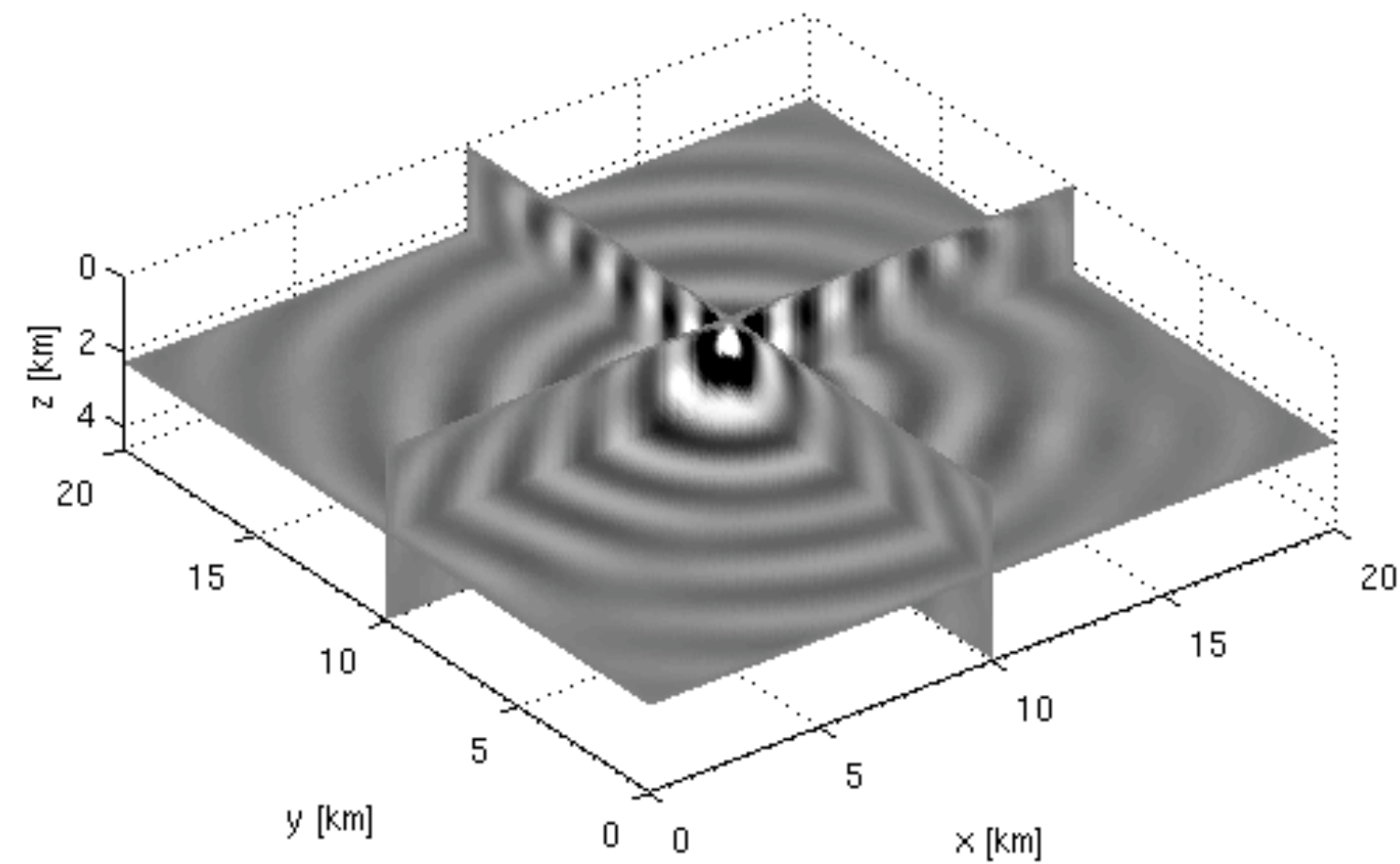
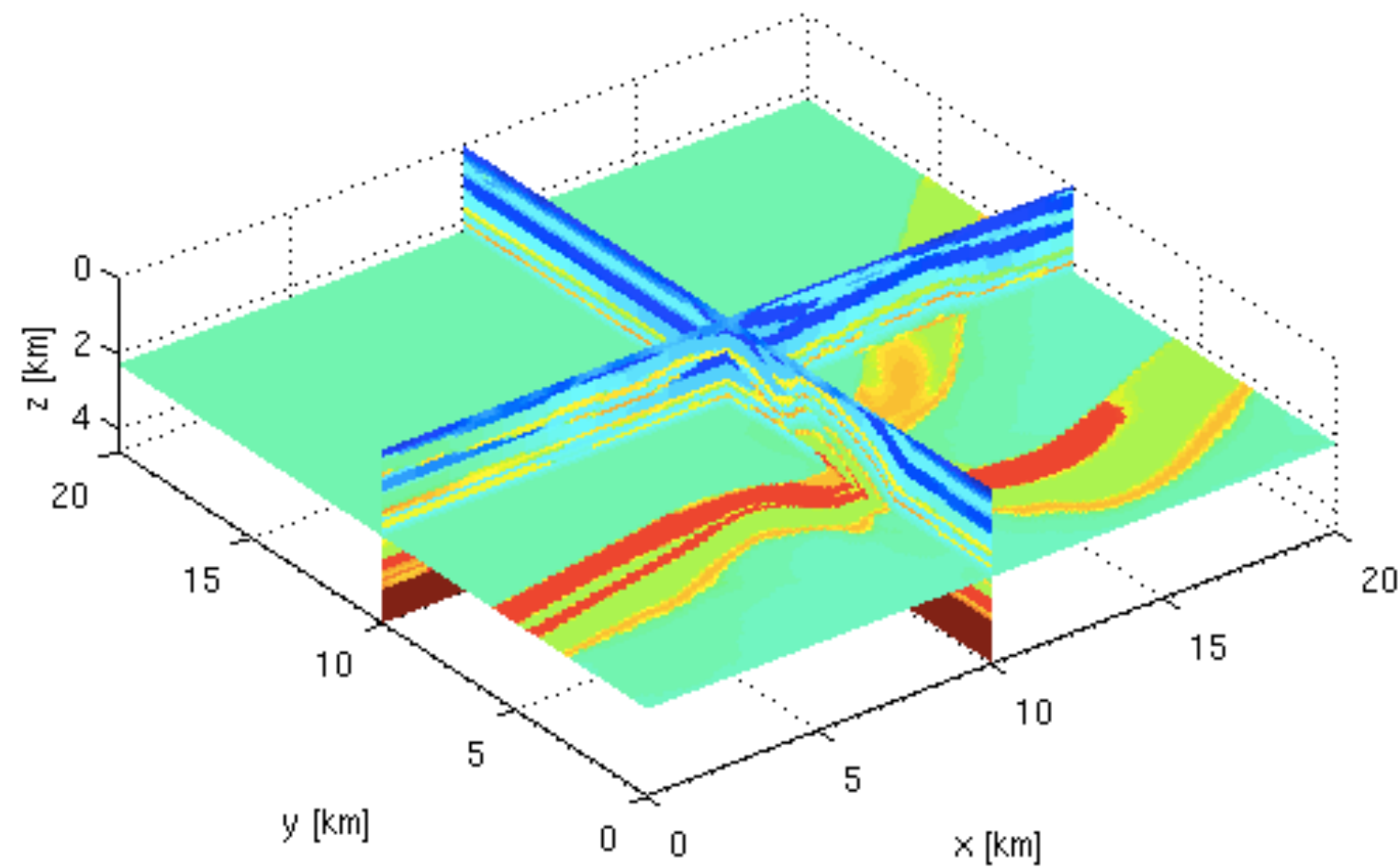
# 3D Frequency-domain FWI with batching: results

## Contents

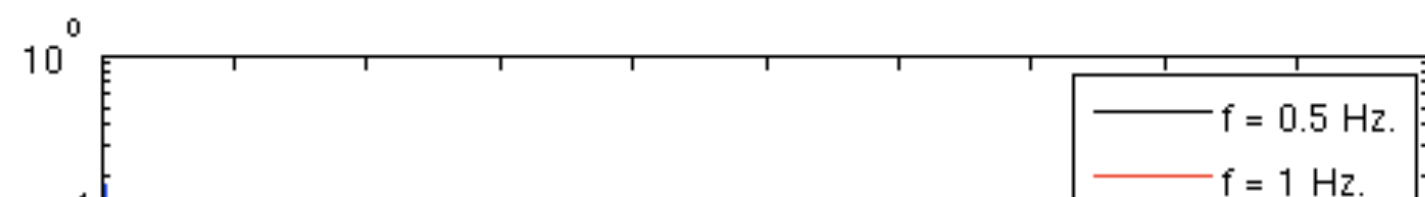
- CARP-CG
- FWI

## CARP-CG

Here we present some results of the Helmholtz solver on the overthrust model. The model and a wavefield for 2 Hz are shown below.

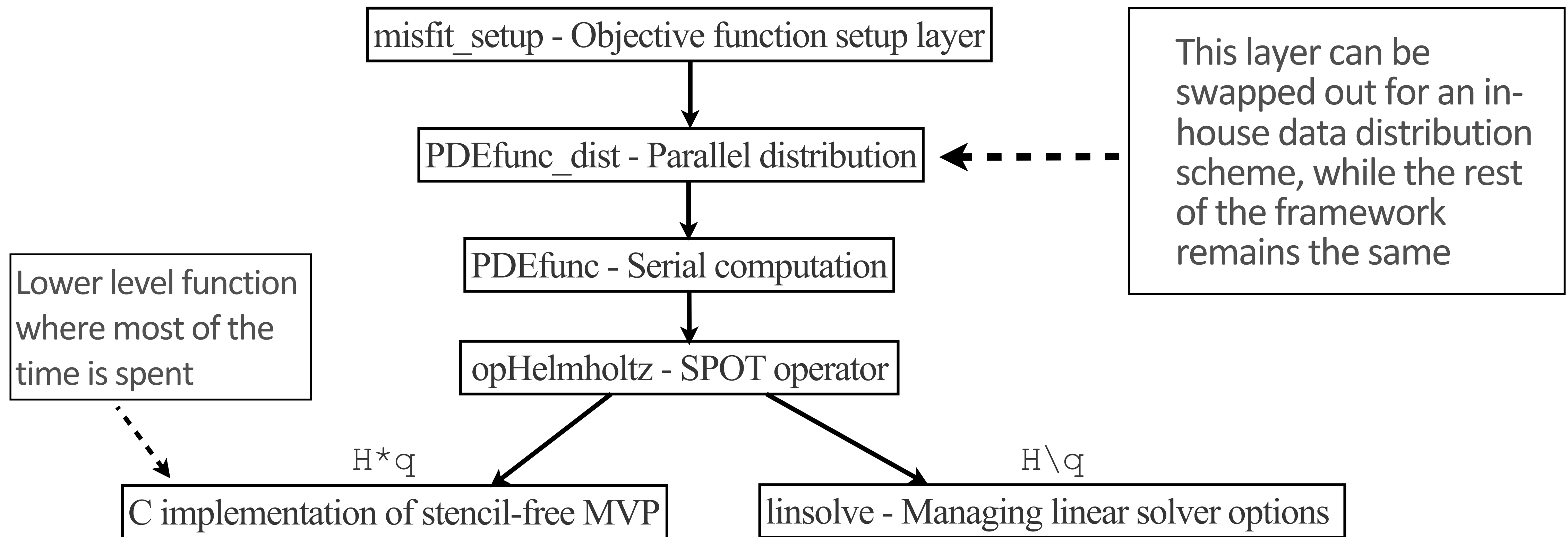


We compute the wavefield for various frequencies with a fixed number of gridpoints per wavelength. The convergence histories are shown below



# A flexible and scalable software framework

By designing our software environment in a modular fashion, we have developed a system that is *flexible, efficient, scalable, and provable correct*. We have the freedom to easily mix and match Helmholtz discretizations, preconditioners, linear solvers, optimization algorithms and more.



## Today's agenda

***Time-lapse randomized marine acquisition***  
(15 minutes)

***(Time-lapse) reverse-time migration w/ multiples, source estimation & gaps***  
(25 minutes)

***Constrained full-waveform inversion***  
(20 minutes)

# Randomized acquisition

## Drivers:

- ▶ Wave-equation inversions call for dense, wide-azimuth & long-offset surveys
- ▶ control on environmental impact
- ▶ economics

## Solution:

- ▶ rethink sampling technologies for land & marine using insights from Compressive Sensing
- ▶ remove sub-sampling-related artifacts by carrying out structure-promoting inversions
- ▶ Compressive Sensing = increased acquisition productivity

# Time-lapse randomized marine acquisition

Haneet Wason & Felix Oghenekohwo



SLIM   
University of British Columbia

Felix Oghenekohwo, Haneet Wason, Ernie Esser, and Felix J. Herrmann, "[Cheap time lapse with distributed Compressive Sensing--exploiting common information among the vintages](#)". 2016.

## Motivation

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*“How sensitive is the recovery to minor errors in exact repeatability?”*

## Findings – a preview

Increased **exact** repetition amongst surveys leads to

- ▶ deteriorated recovery of prestack vintages themselves
- ▶ improved recovery of time-lapse prestack differences

Small, but known, source location perturbations lead to

- ▶ improved recovery of the prestack vintages
- ▶ deteriorated recovery of prestack time-lapse differences

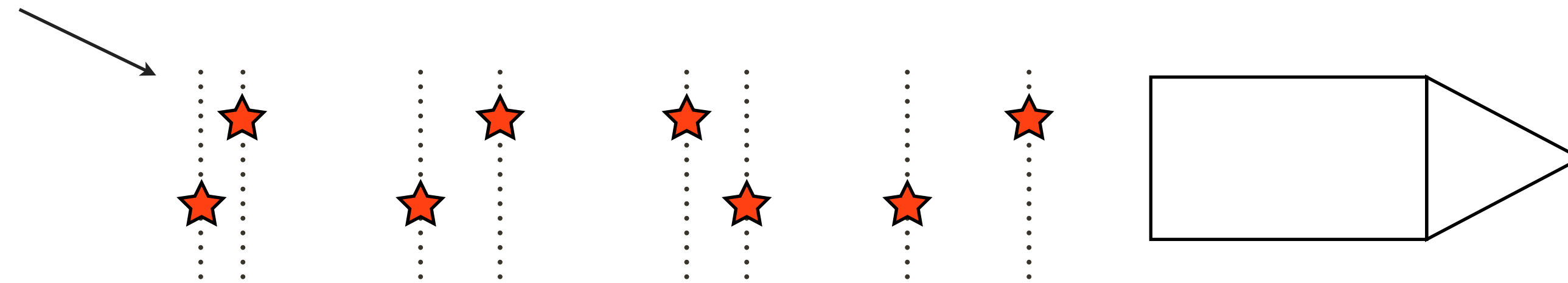
Tentative conclusions

- ▶ do not bother to repeat as long as you know where you were precisely
- ▶ instead aim to increase variability albeit natural variability already helps...



# Time-jittered marine acquisition

irregularly sampled spatial grid



continuous recording  
*START*

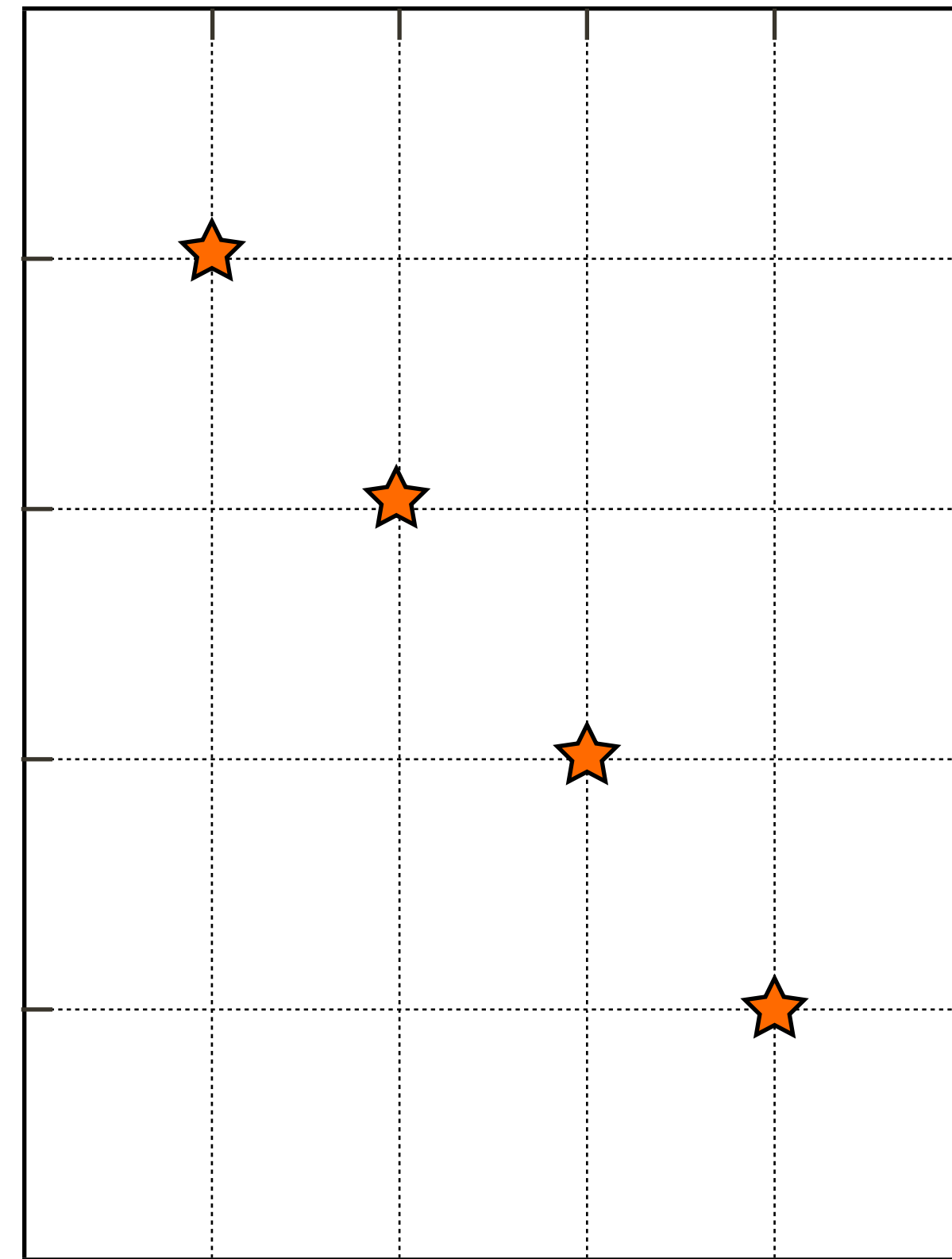
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# Randomized jitter sampling in marine

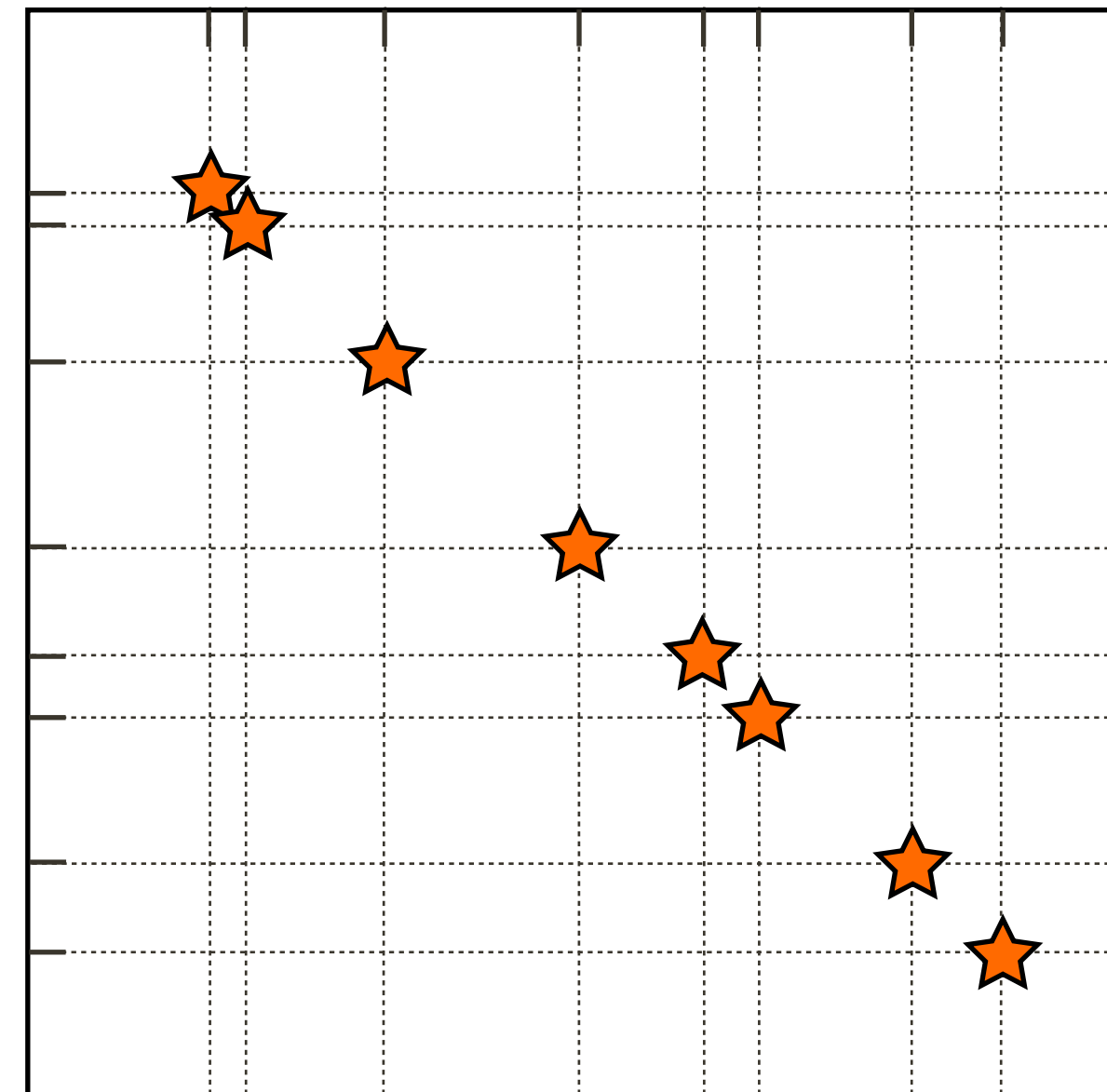
x (m)  
t (s)

conventional



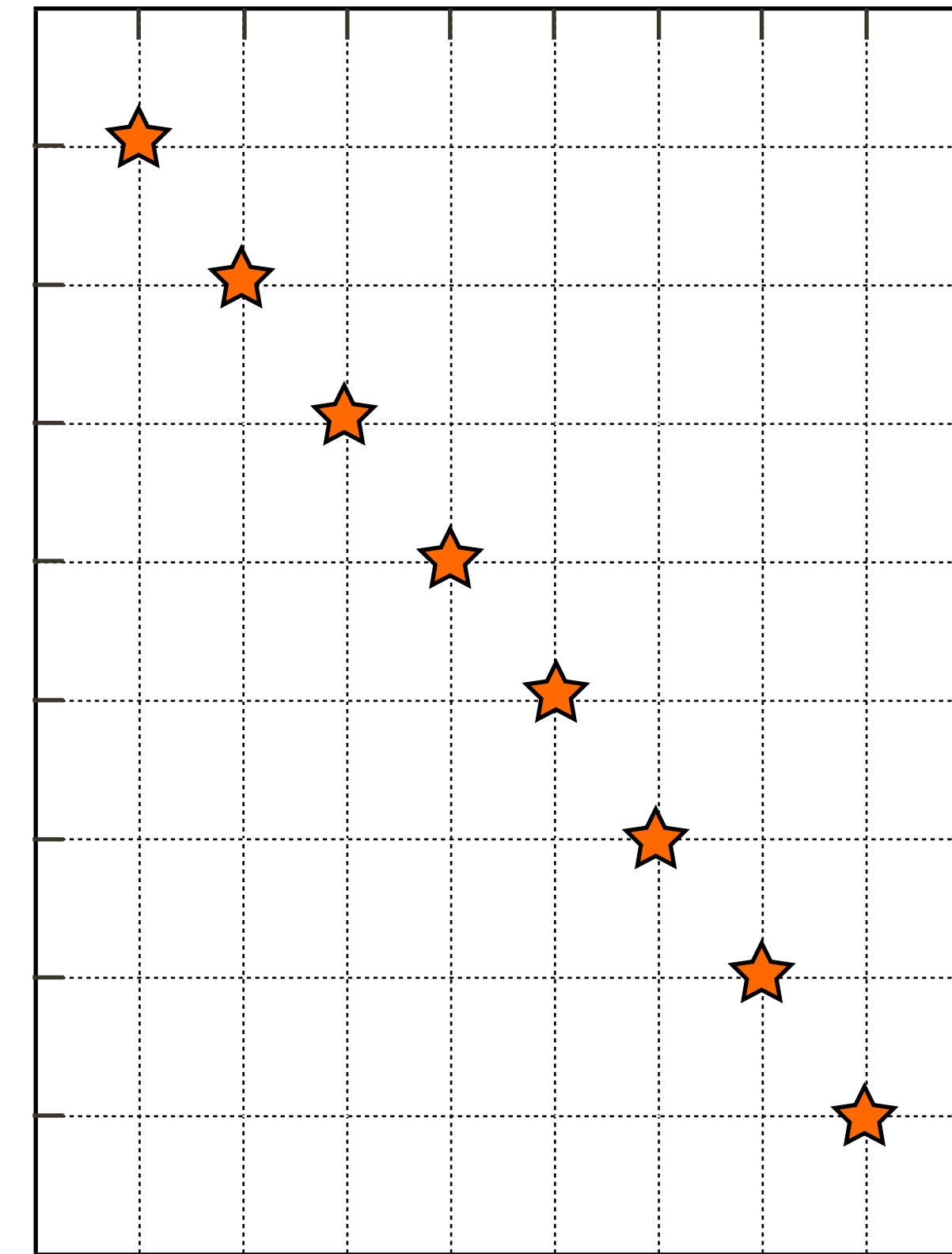
periodic - sparse - no overlap

jittered



aperiodic  
compressed  
overlapping  
irregular

(no overlap)  
 $\ell_1$  recovered



periodic & dense

## Time-lapse seismic

### Current acquisition paradigm:

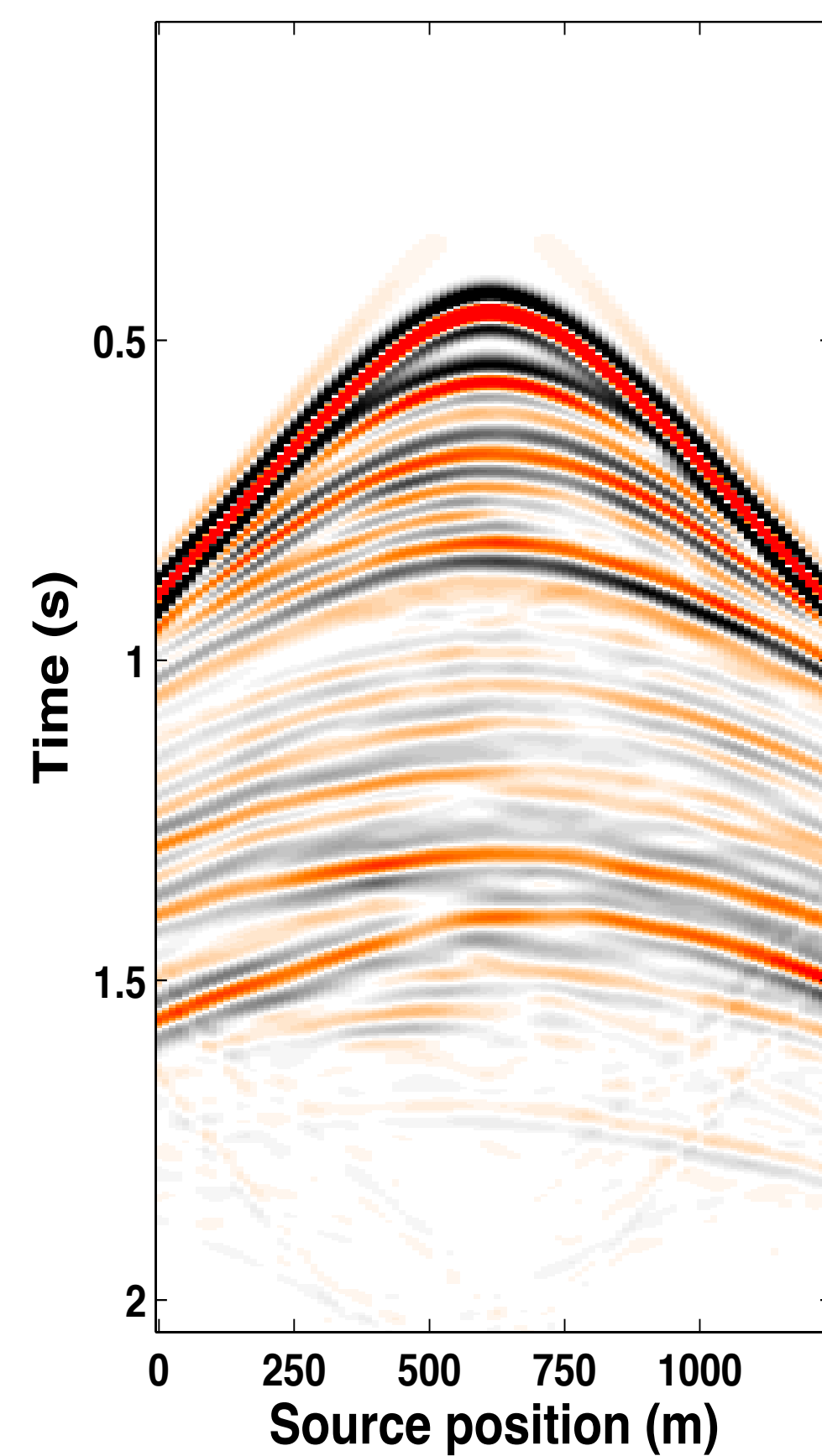
- repeat **expensive** dense acquisitions & “independent” processing
- compute differences between baseline & monitor survey(s)
- hampered by practical challenges to ensure repetition

### New compressive sampling paradigm:

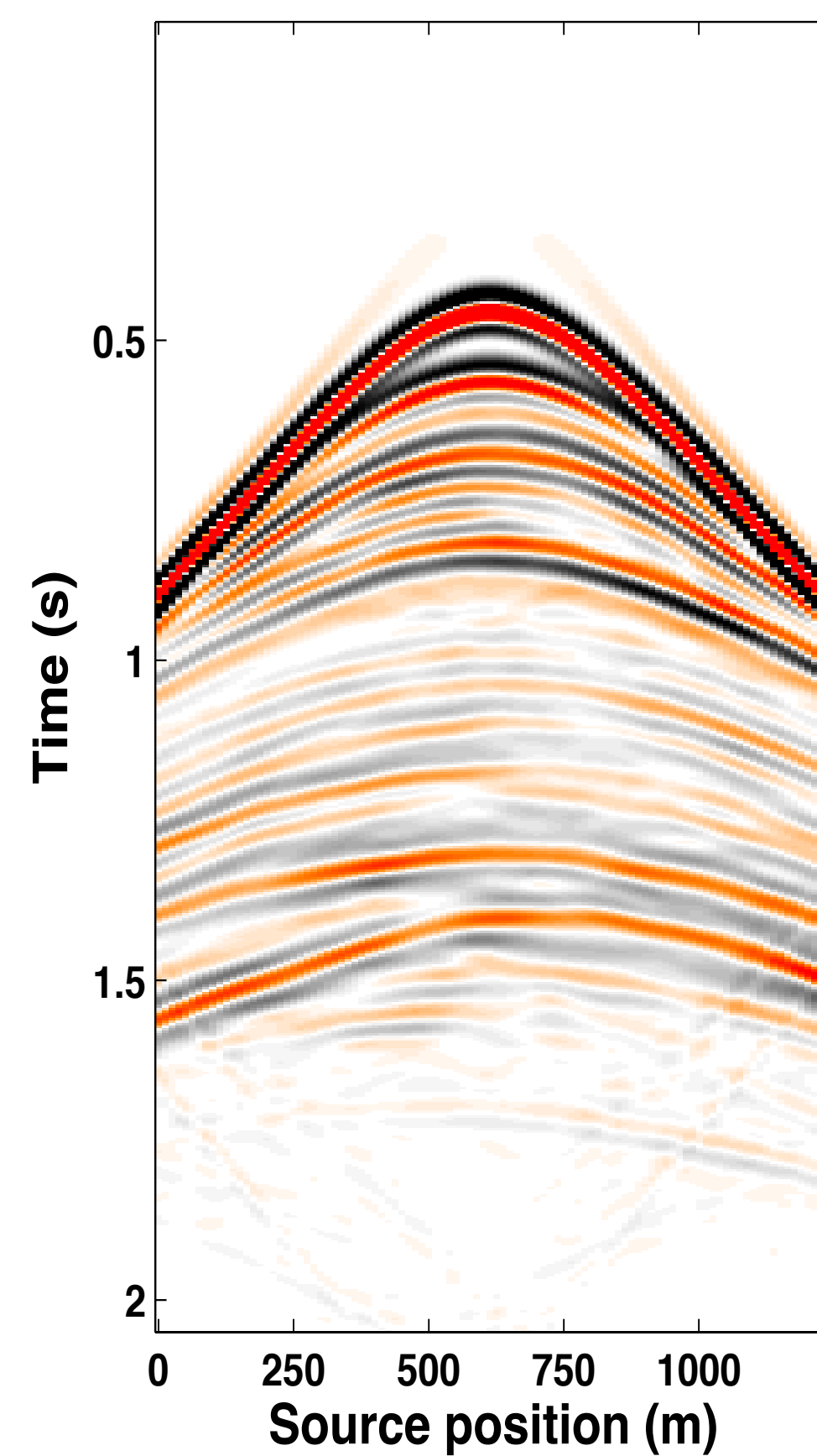
- **cheap** subsampled acquisition, e.g., via time-jittered marine subsampling
- may offer possibility to relax insistence on repeatability
- exploits insights from distributed compressed sensing

# Time-lapse data

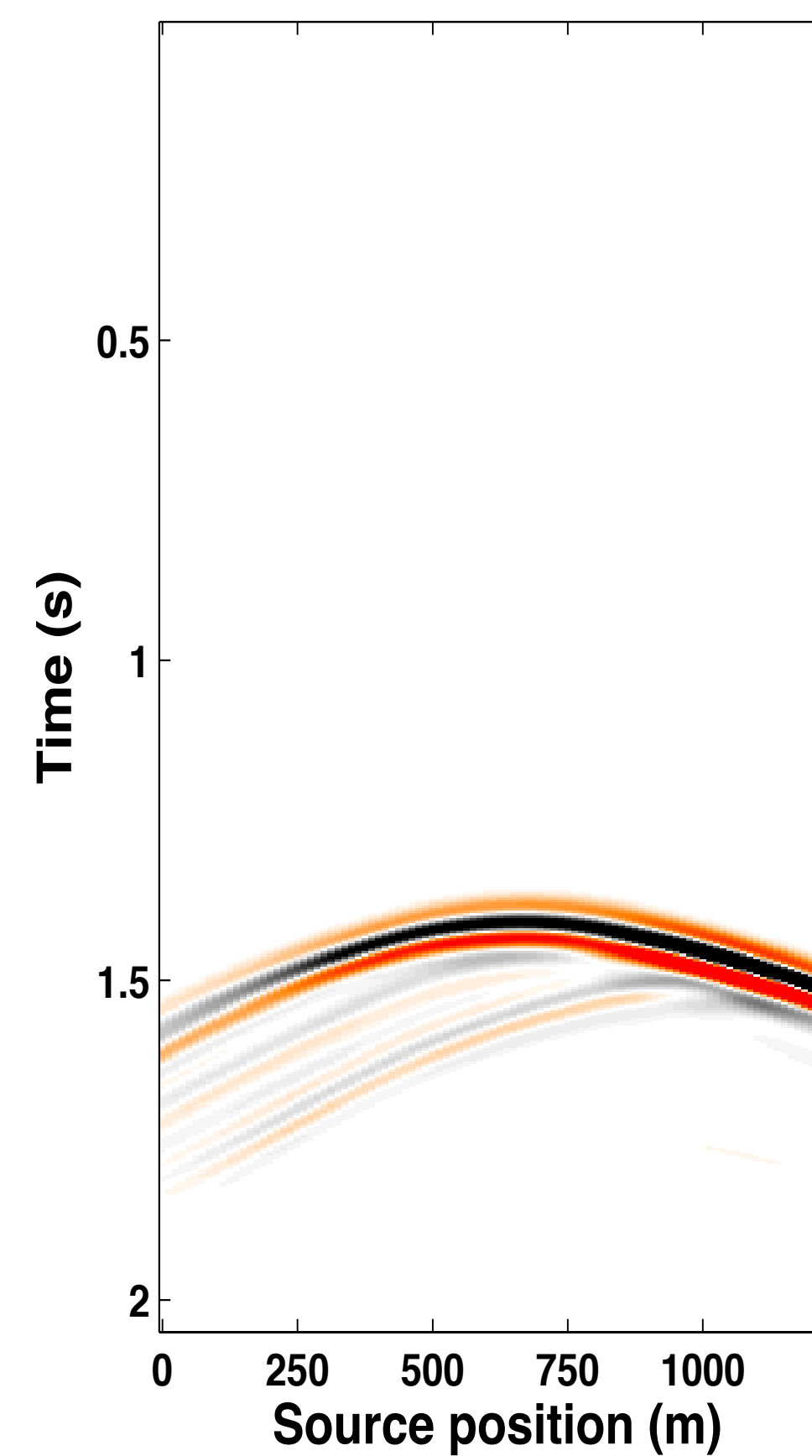
## Baseline



## Monitor



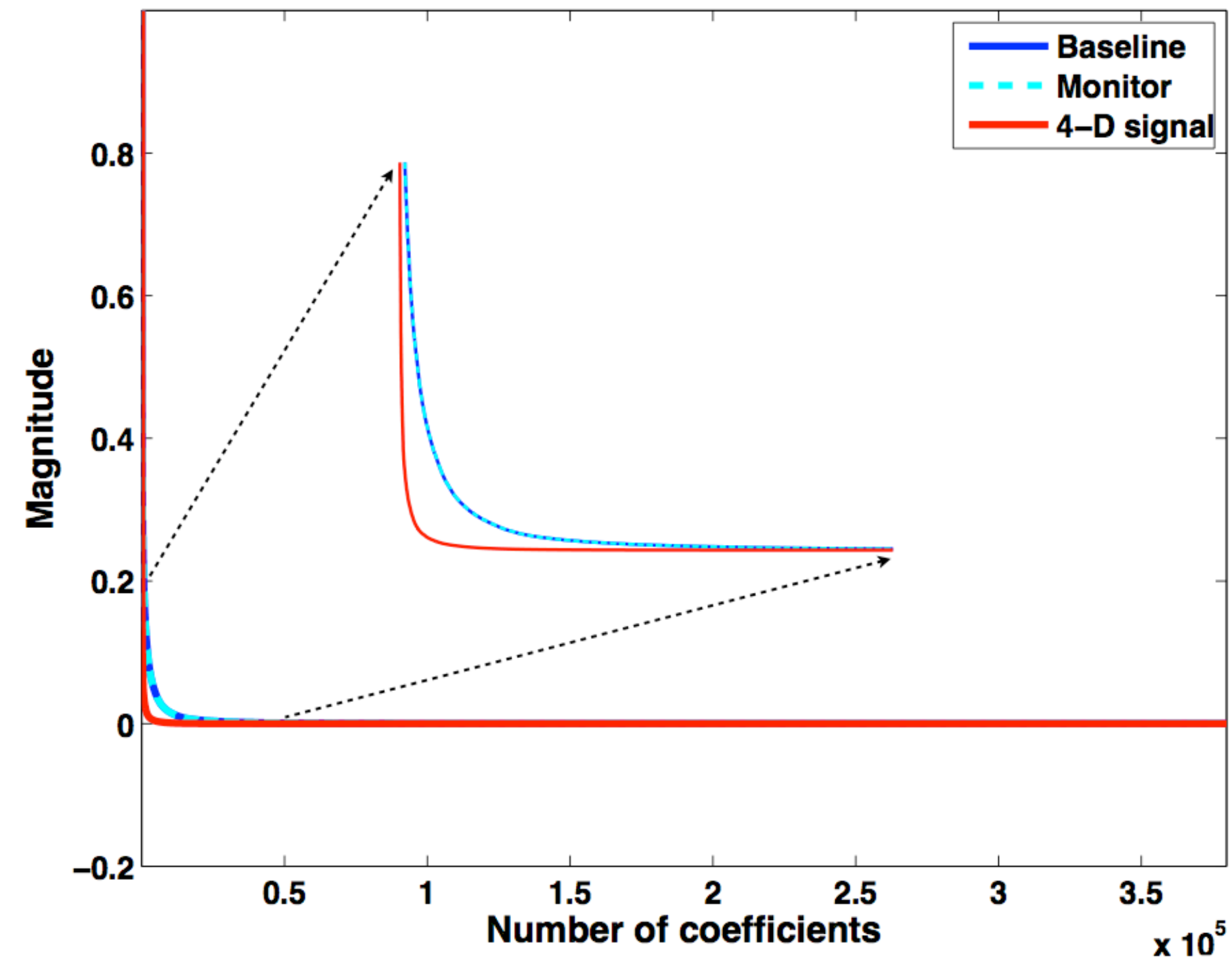
## 4-D signal [10 X]



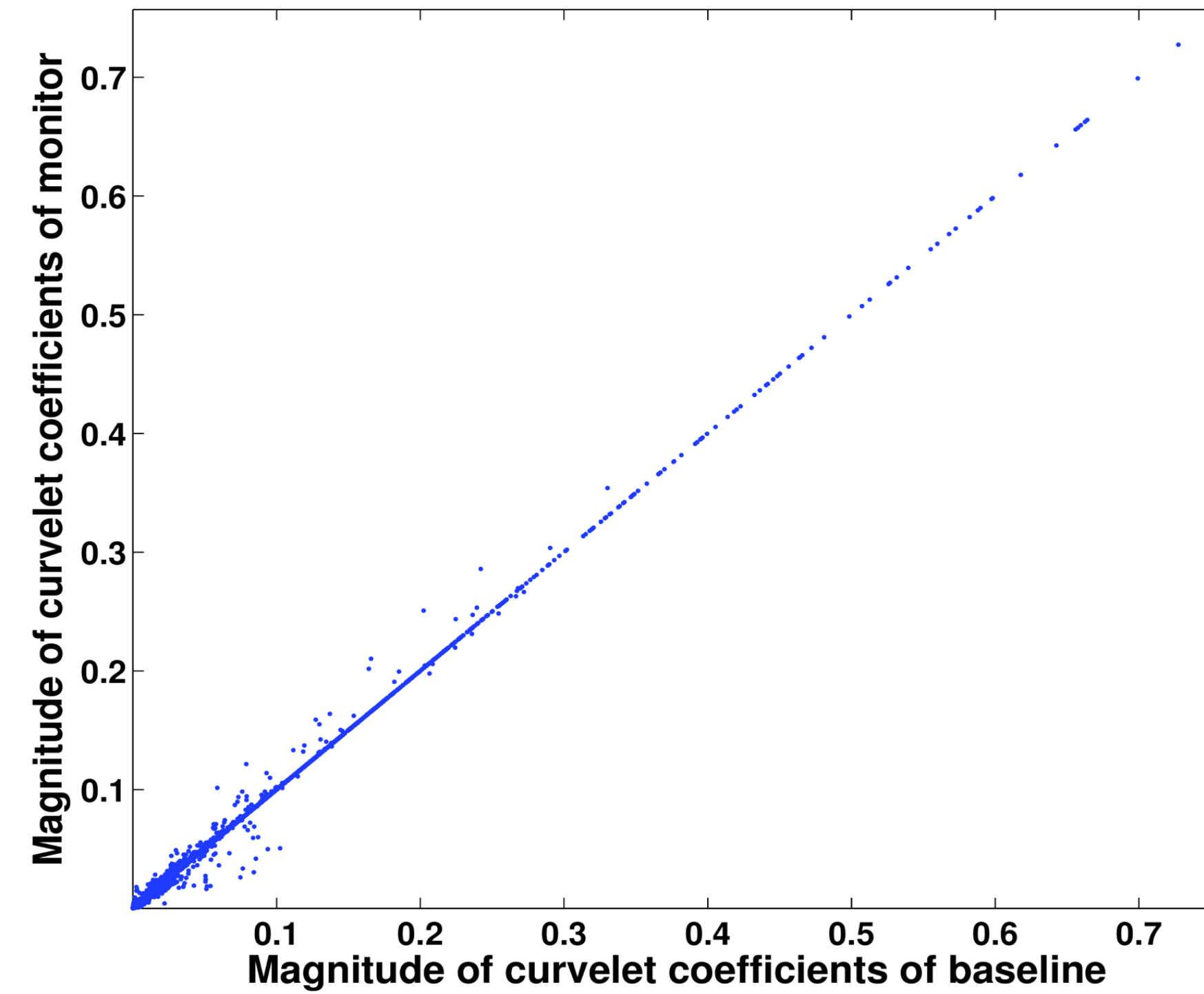
time samples: **512**  
receivers: **100**  
sources: **100**

sampling  
time: **4.0 ms**  
receiver: **12.5 m**  
source: **12.5 m**

# Sparse structure via curvelets



significant correlation between the vintages



# Distributed compressed sensing

– joint recovery model (JRM)

$$\overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_1 & \mathbf{A}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{A}_2 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_2 \end{bmatrix}}^{\mathbf{A}} \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z}_0 \\ \mathbf{z}_1 \\ \mathbf{z}_2 \end{bmatrix}}^{\mathbf{z}} = \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}}^{\mathbf{b}}$$

$\nearrow$  **baseline**  
 $\searrow$  **monitor**

**vintages**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_1 &= \mathbf{z}_0 + \mathbf{z}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 &= \mathbf{z}_0 + \mathbf{z}_2 \end{aligned} \rightarrow \text{differences}$$

$\downarrow$   
**common component**

different vintages share common information

# Time-lapse seismic

– w/ & w/o repetition

## In an *ideal world* ( $\mathbf{A}_1 = \mathbf{A}_2$ )

- JRM simplifies to  $(\mathbf{b}_2 - \mathbf{b}_1) = \mathbf{A}_1(\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1)$
- expect good recovery when difference is sparse
- but relies on “exact” repeatability...

## In the *real world* ( $\mathbf{A}_1 \neq \mathbf{A}_2$ )

- no absolute control on surveys
- errors in the shot/receiver positions
- noise...

## Context

**Acquire randomized subsamplings for the baseline and monitor surveys**

**Aim:** recovery of both vintages & time-lapse signal from incomplete data

### Questions:

- ▶ Process/recover independently or jointly to exploit common features of surveys?
- ▶ Should we repeat the surveys when doing randomized subsampling?



# Synthetic seismic case study

Time-jittered marine acquisition **on the grid**

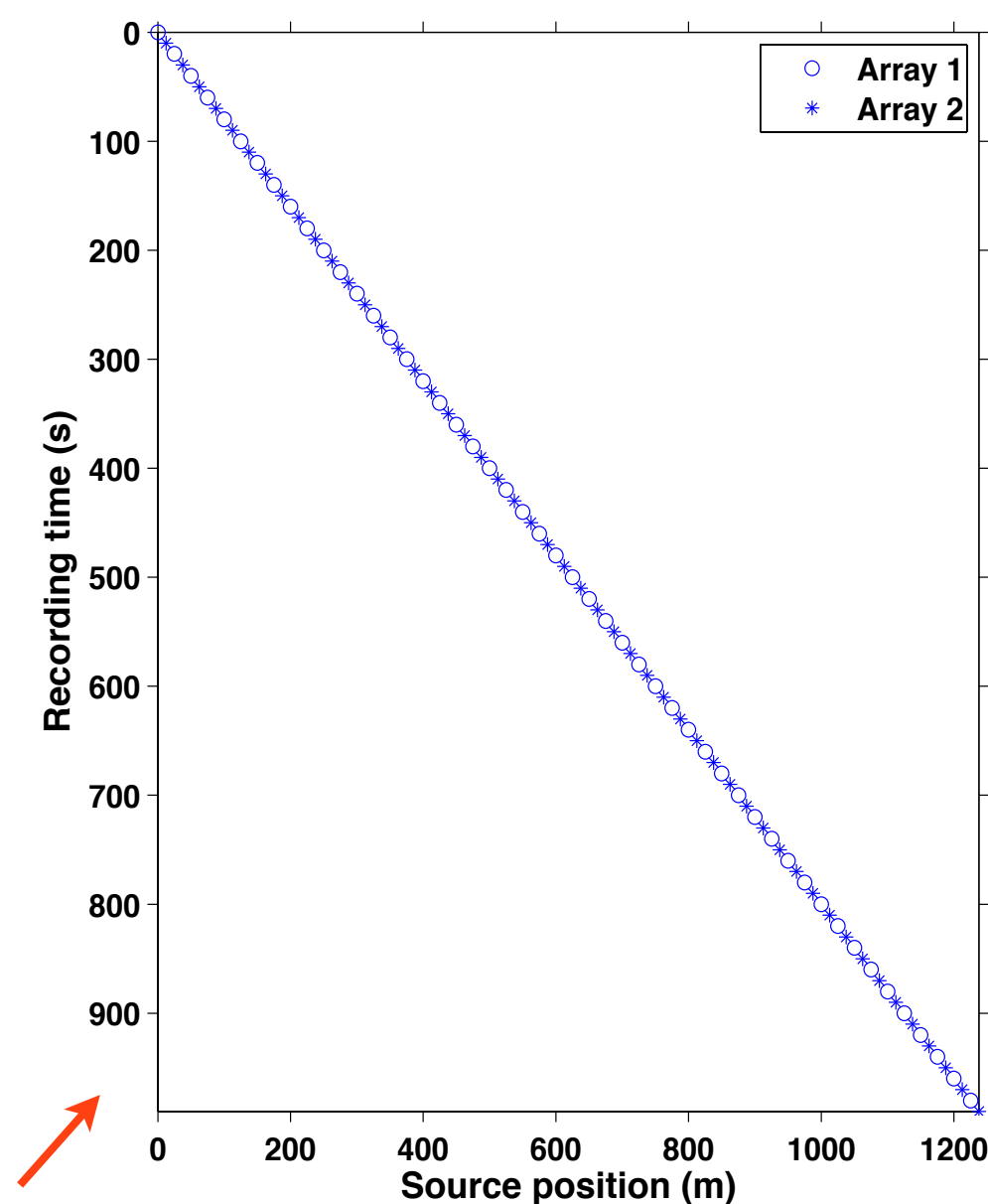
% repetition => “exact” repetition

No errors in the shot/receiver locations

# Conventional vs. time-jittered sources

– subsampling ratio = 2 (2 source arrays)

conventional



“unblended” shot gathers

number of shots = **100** (per array)

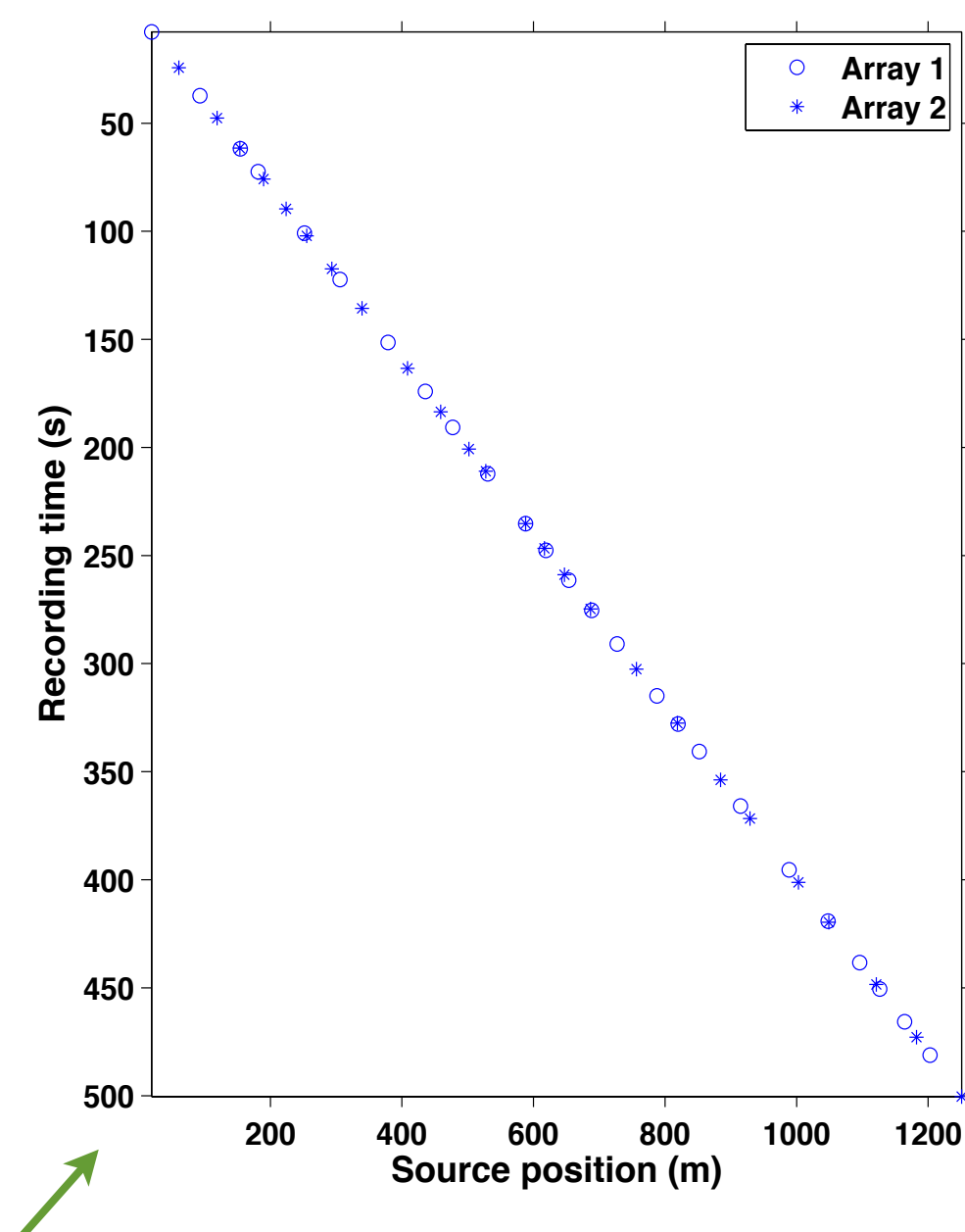
shot record length: 10.0 s

spatial sampling: **12.5 m**

vessel speed: **1.25 m/s**

recording time =  $100 \times 10.0 =$  **1000.0 s**

jittered acquisition 1  
(baseline)



[BLENDING & SUBSAMPLING]

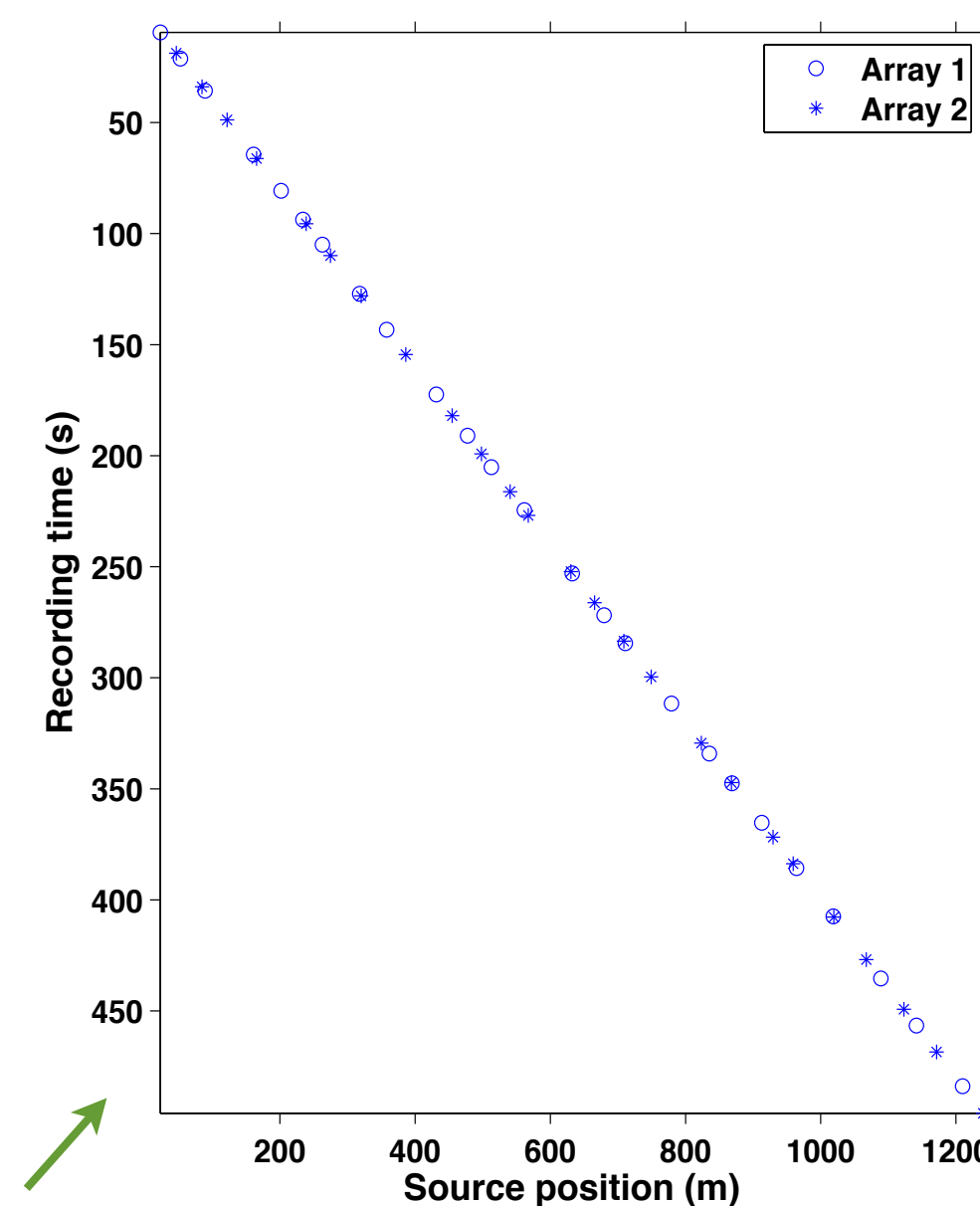
spatial subsampling factor = 2



spatial sampling **increase** factor = 2

[DEBLENDING & INTERPOLATION]

jittered acquisition 2  
(monitor)



“blended” shot gathers

number of shots =  $100/2 =$  **50** (25 per array)

spatial sampling: **50.0 m (jittered)**

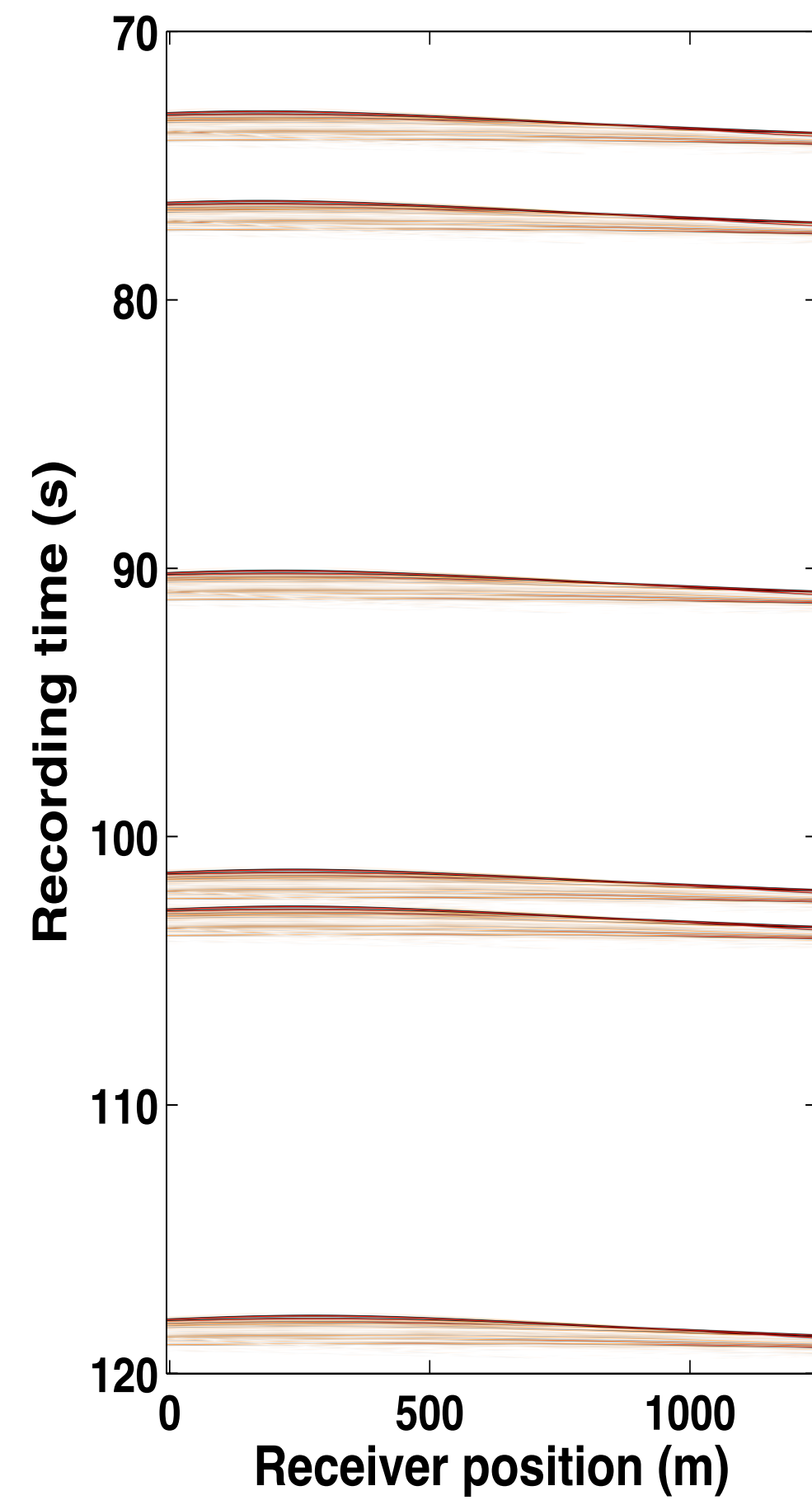
vessel speed: **2.50 m/s**

recording time  $\approx 1000.0 \text{ s} / 2 =$  **500.0 s**

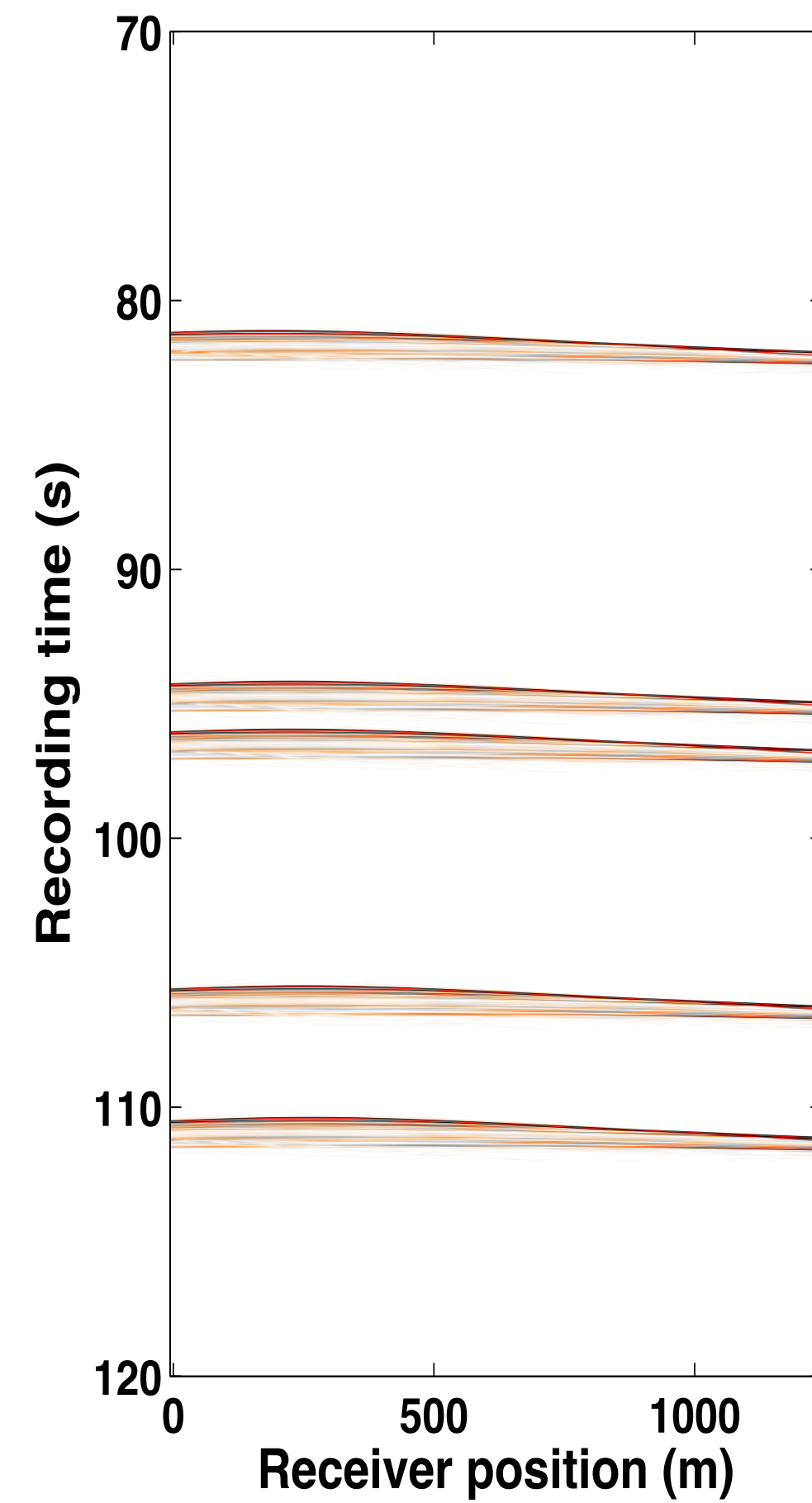
# Measurements

– subsampled and blended

## Baseline



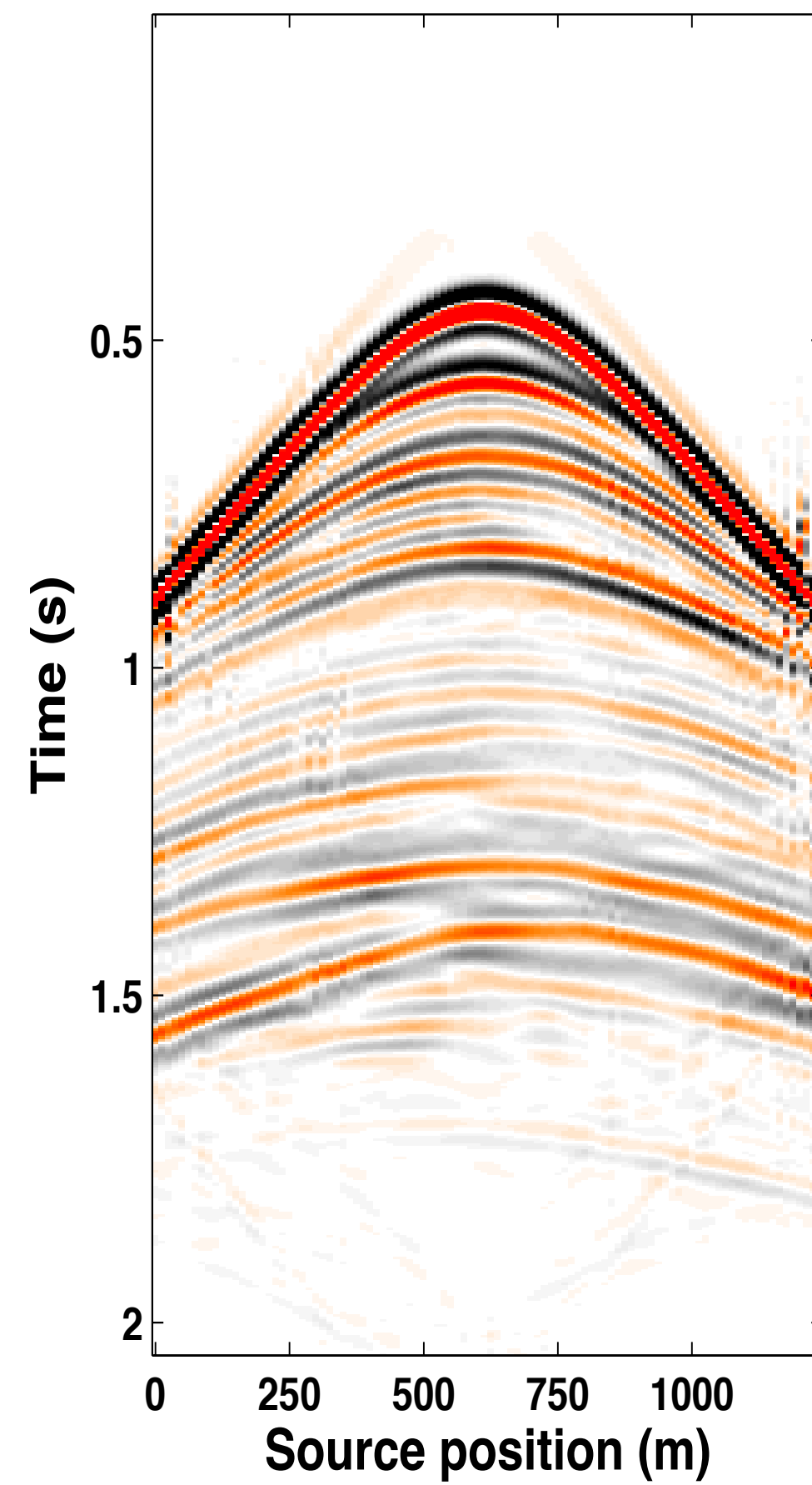
## Monitor



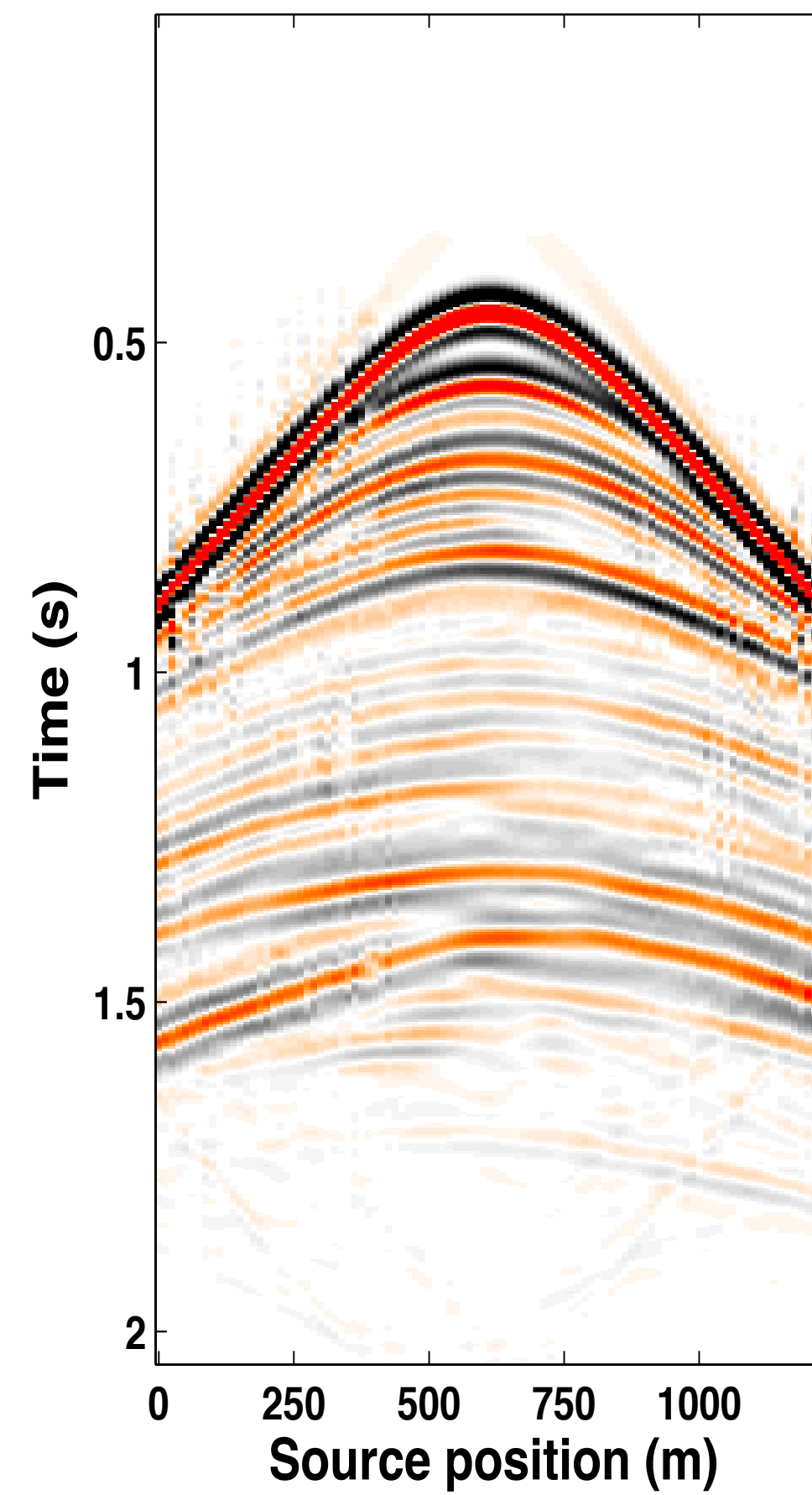
# Monitor recovery

- Independent recovery

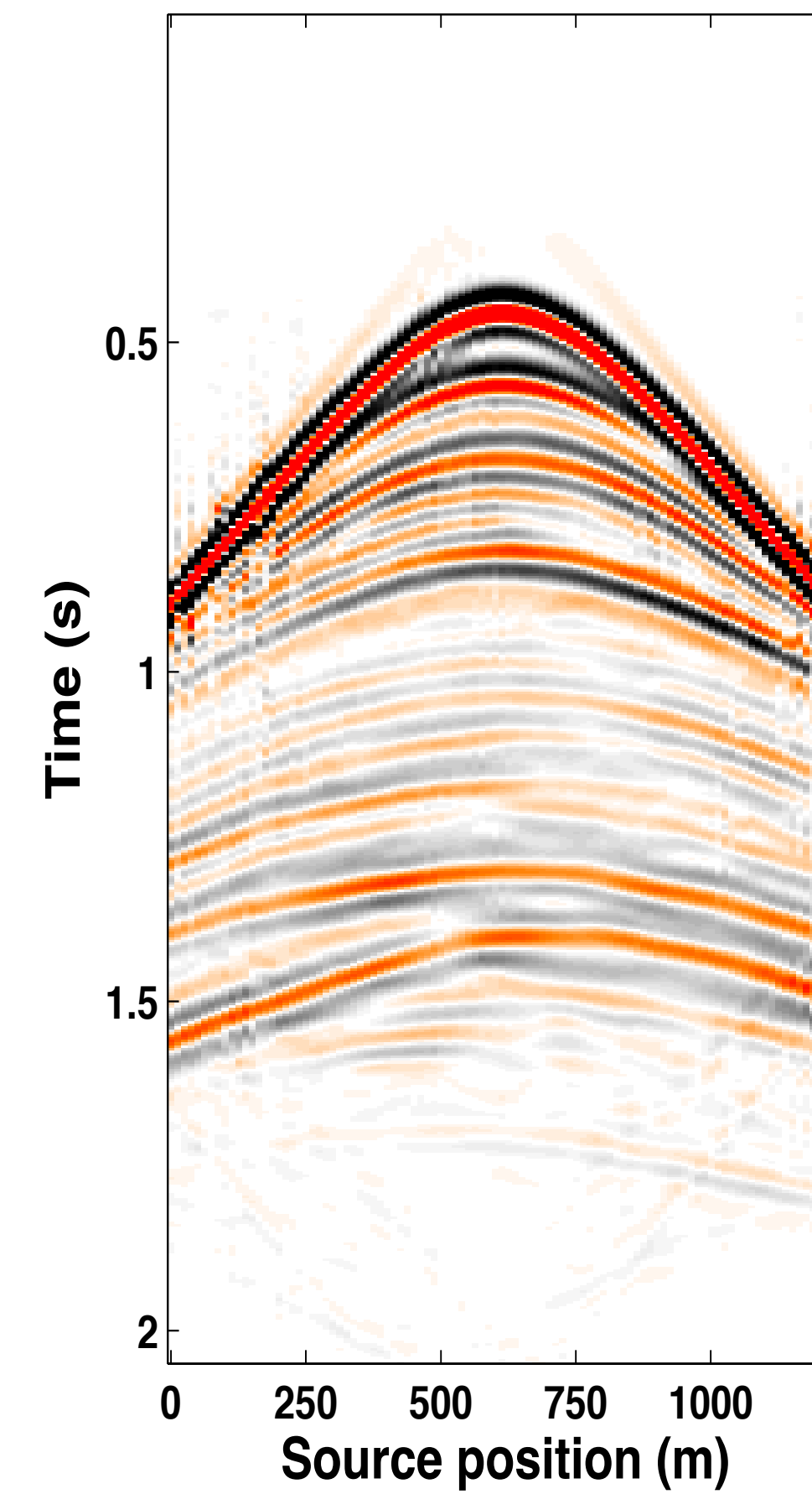
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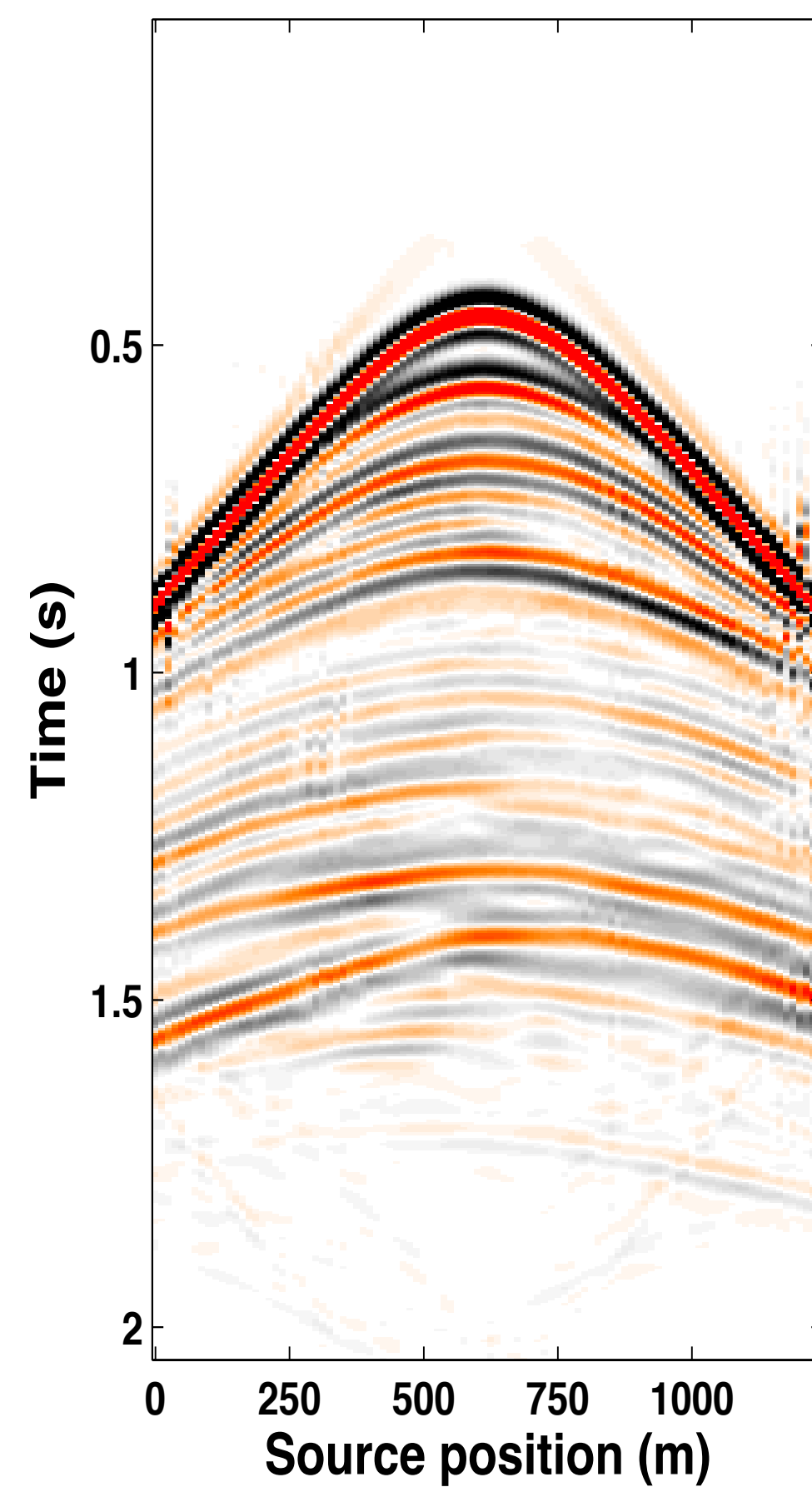
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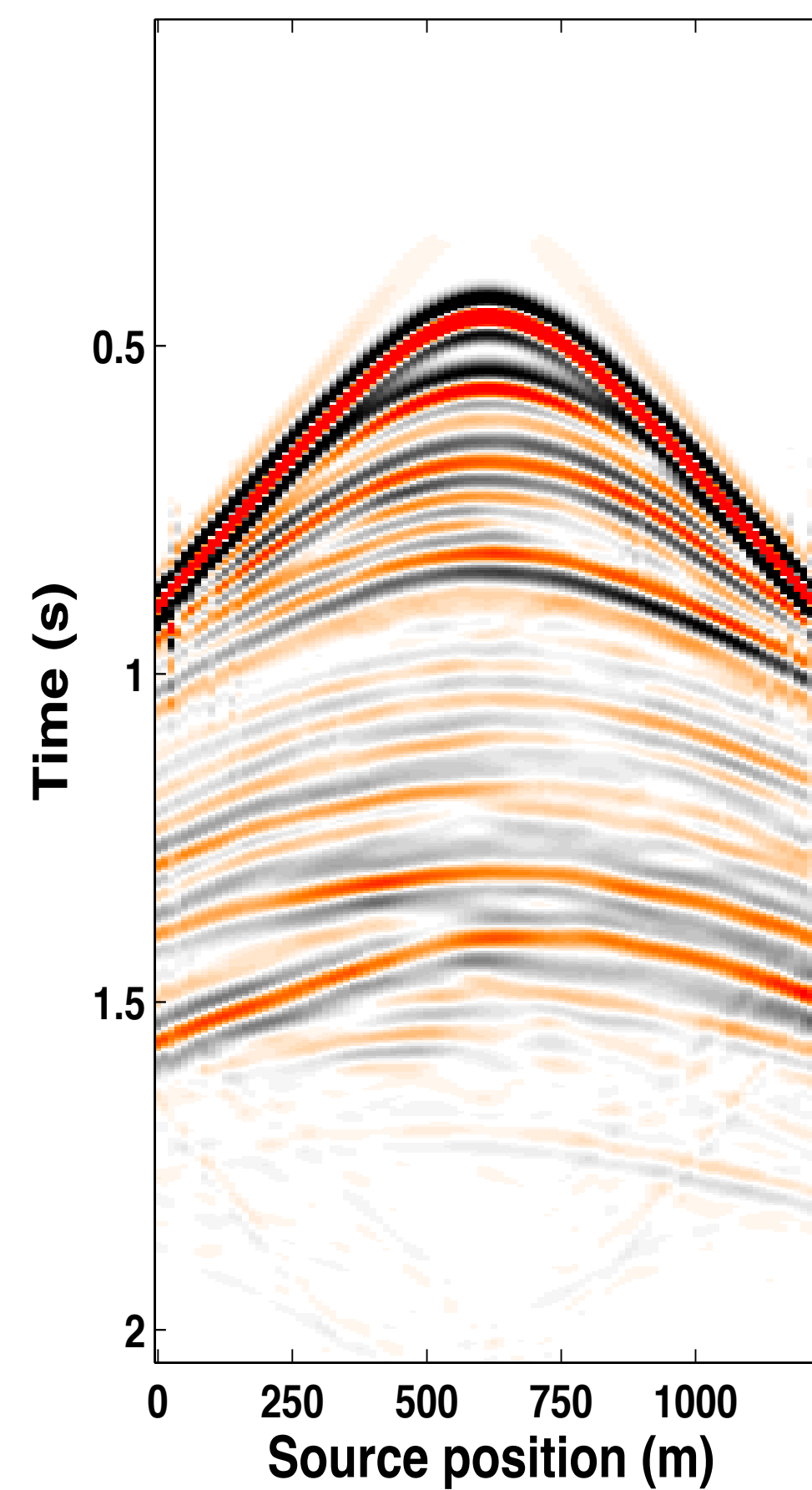
# Monitor recovery

## – Joint recovery

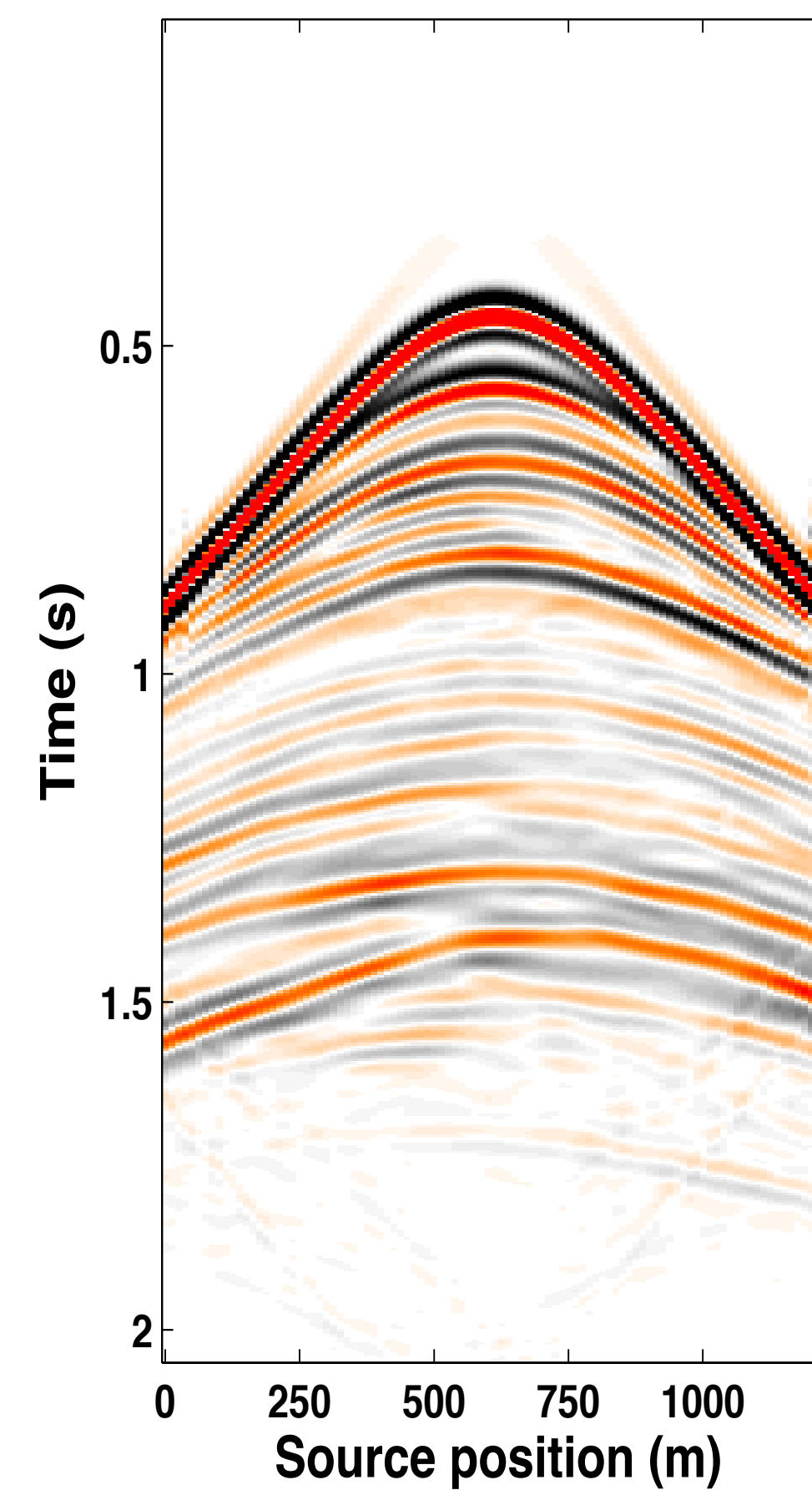
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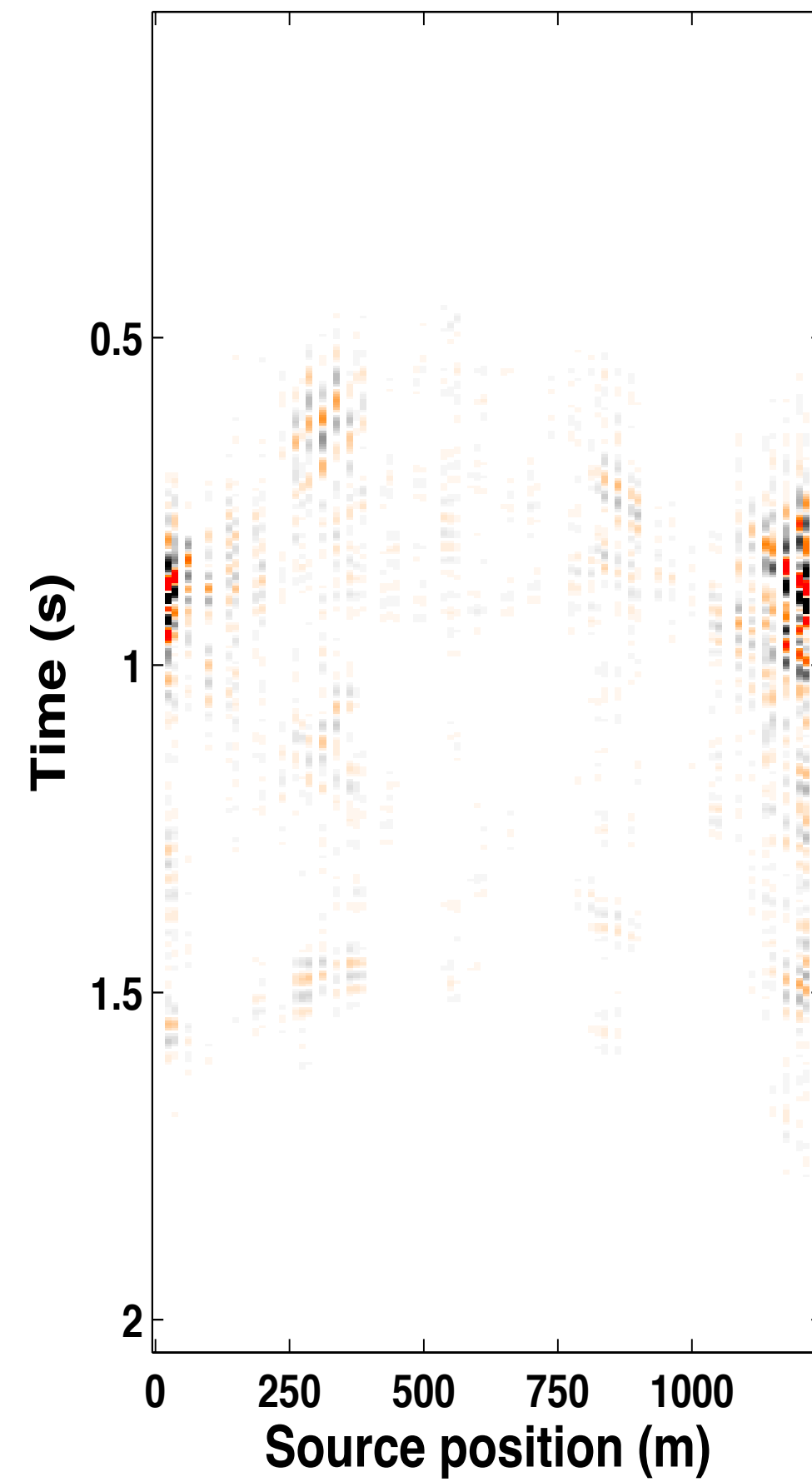
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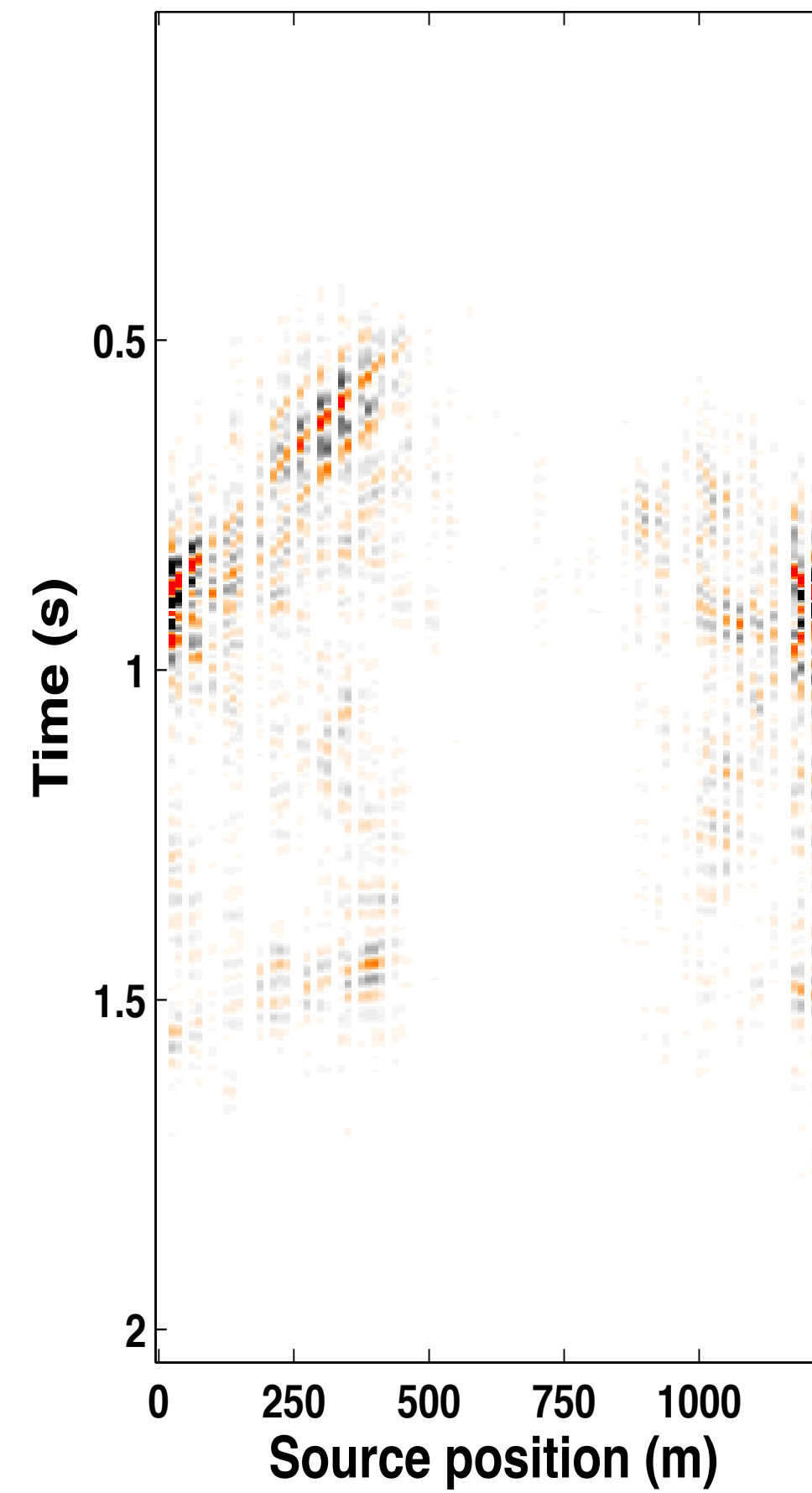
# Monitor residual

- Independent residual

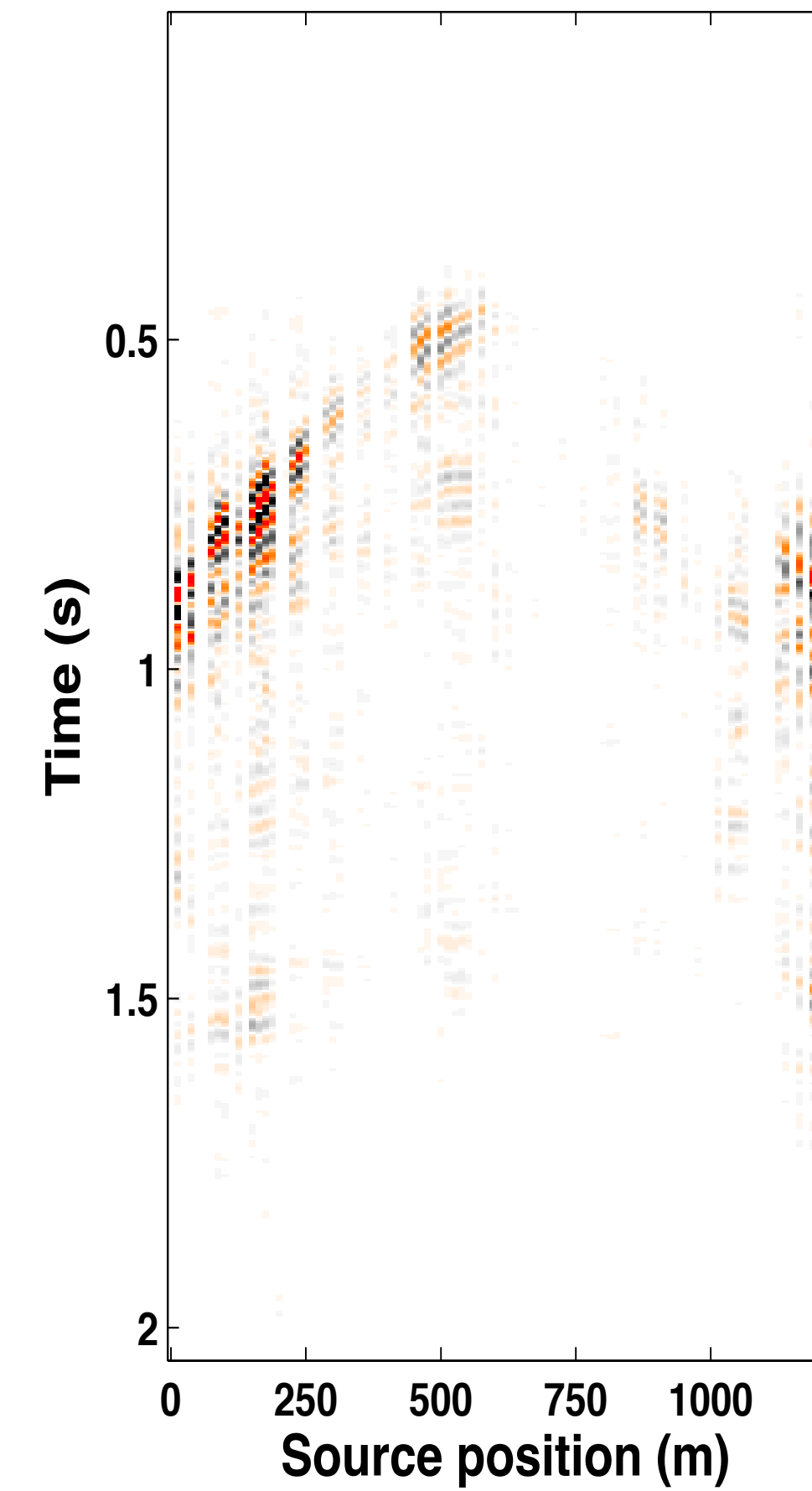
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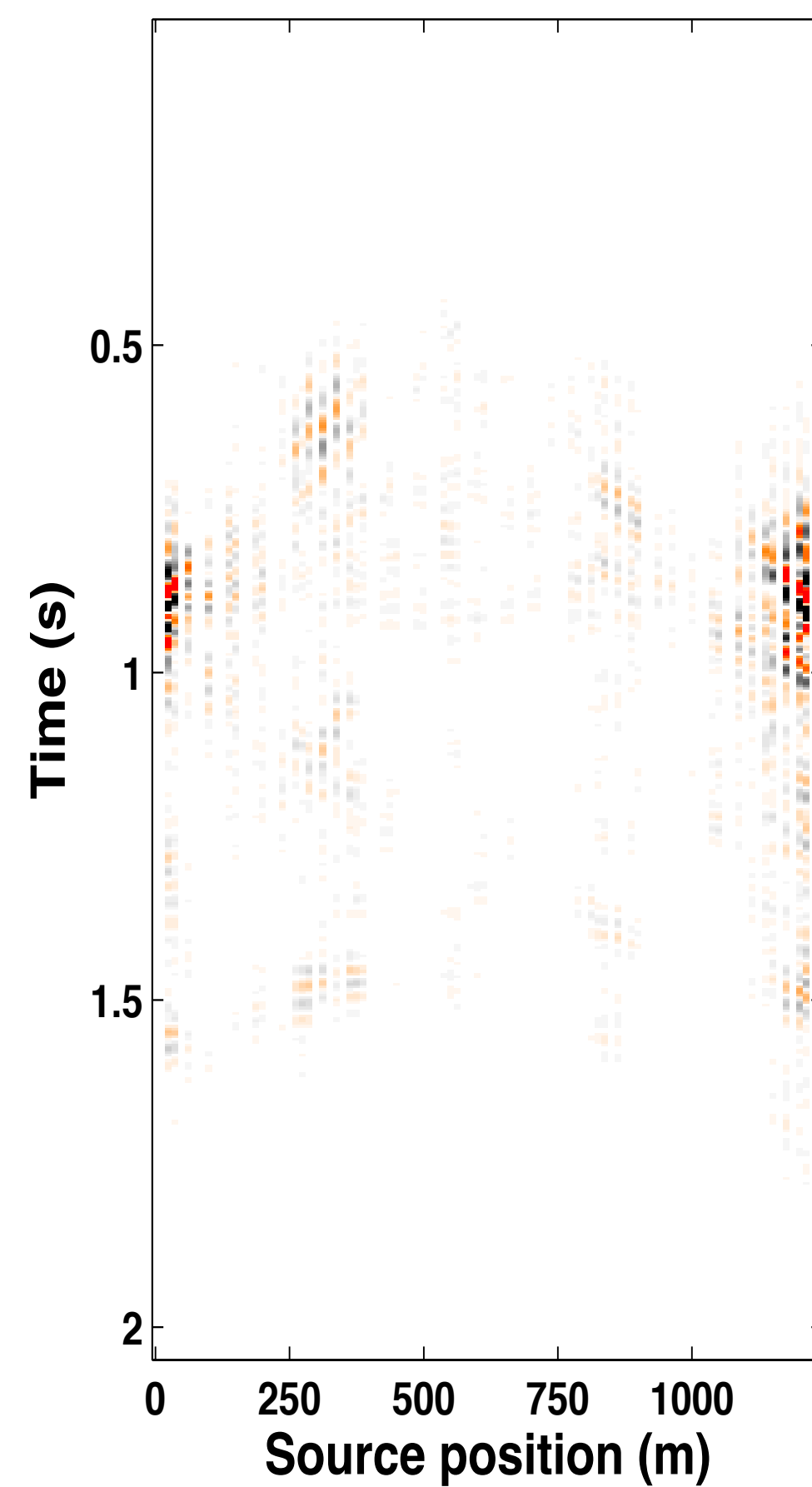
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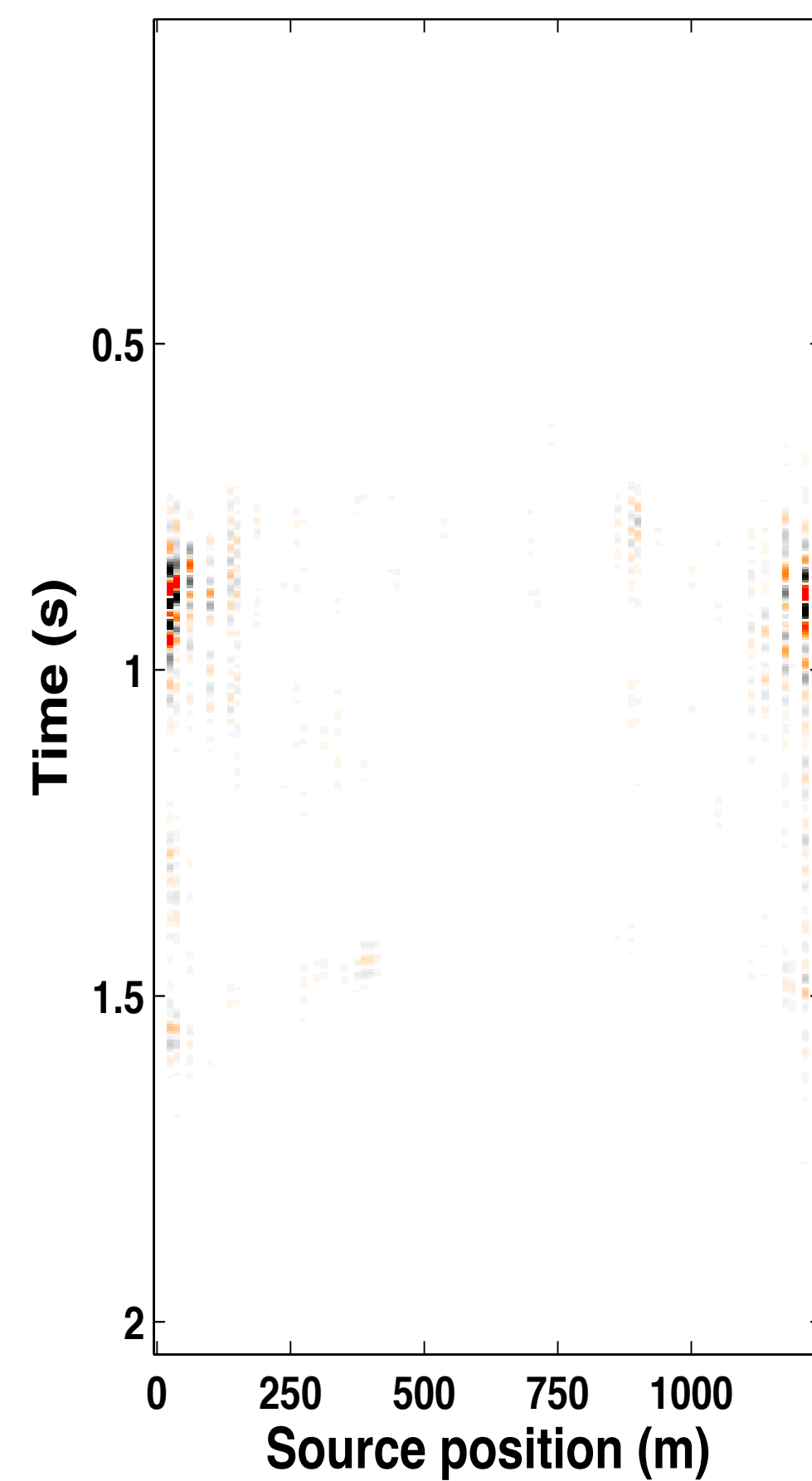
# Monitor residual

## – Joint residual

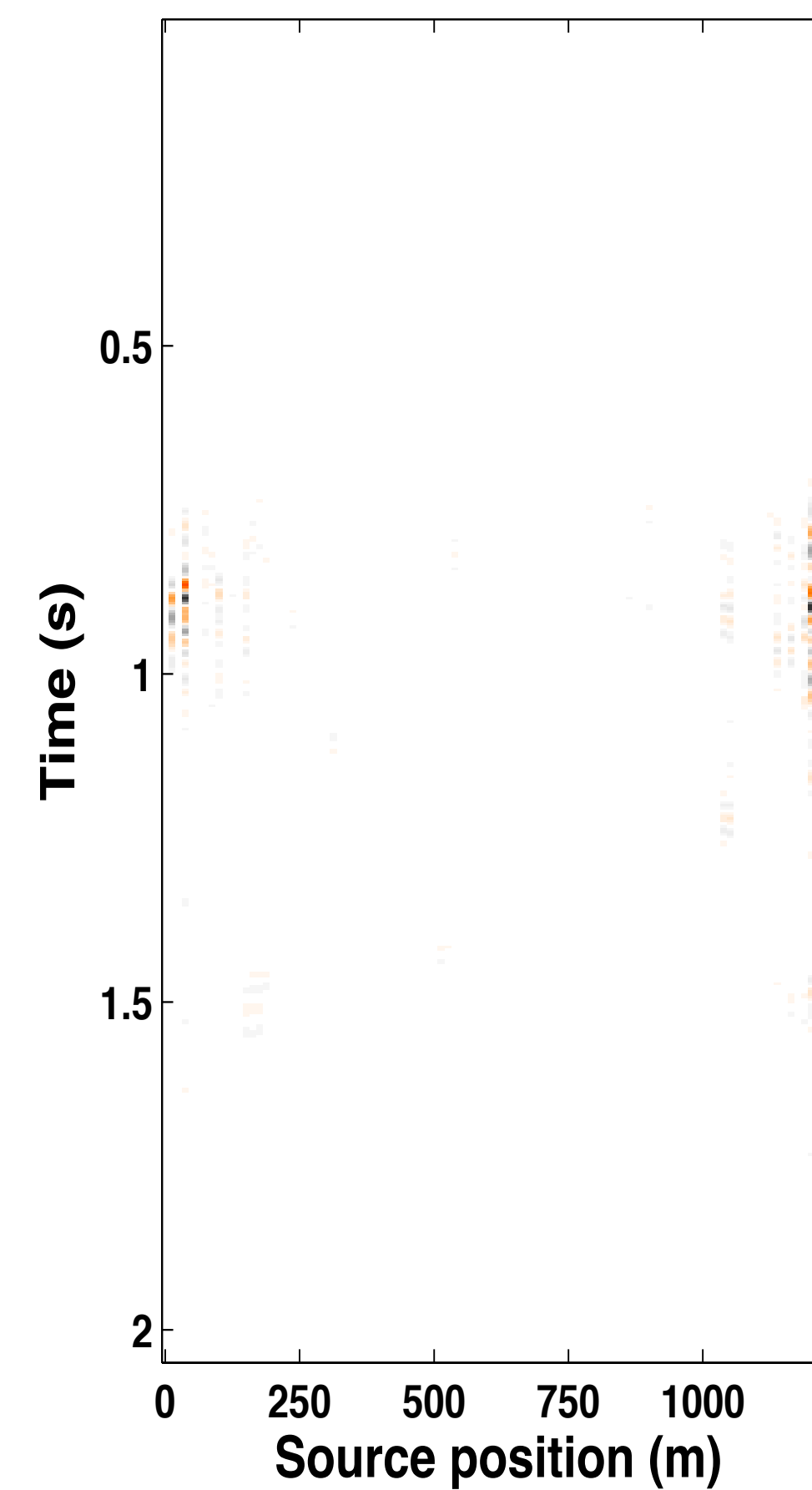
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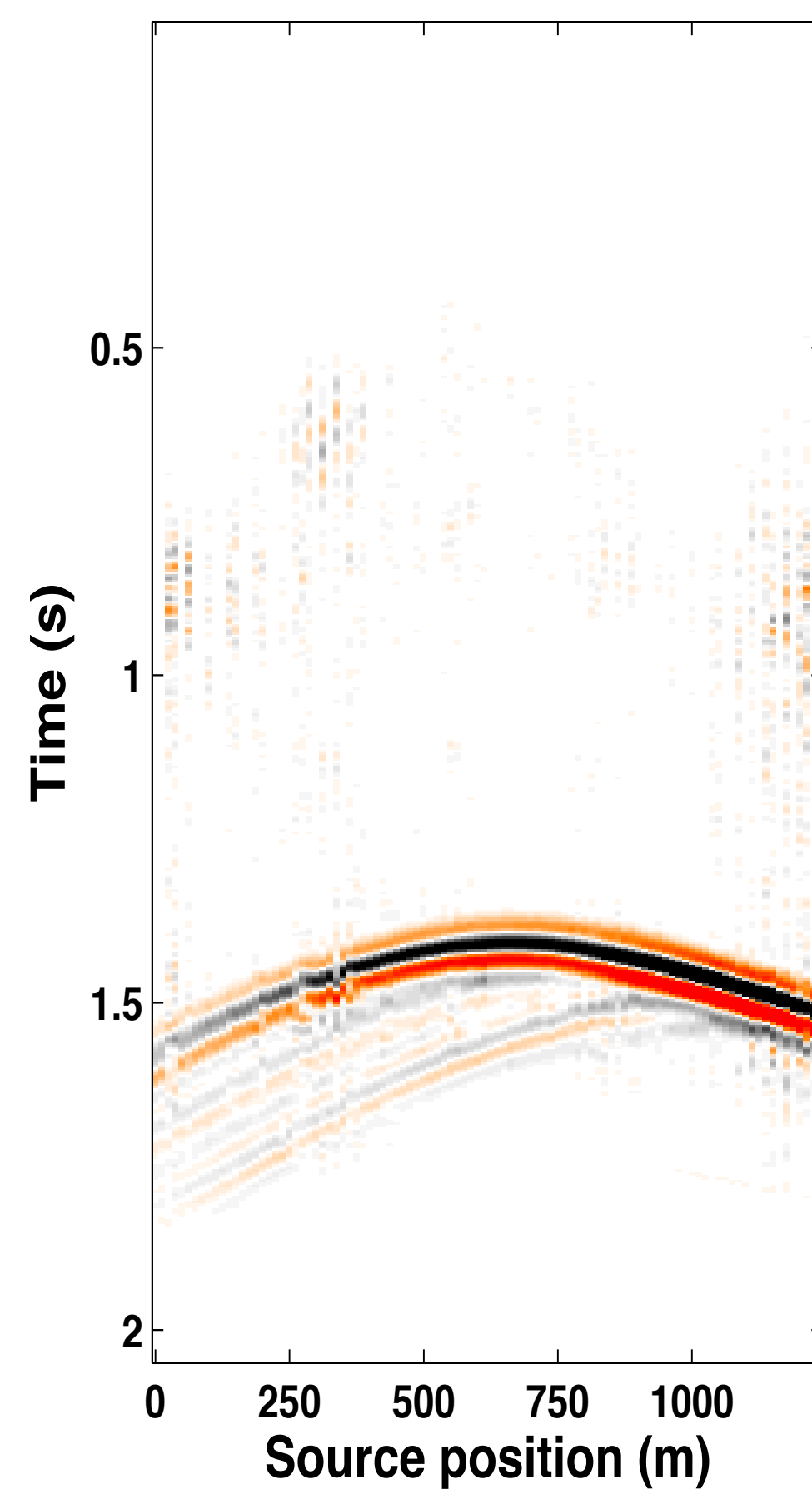


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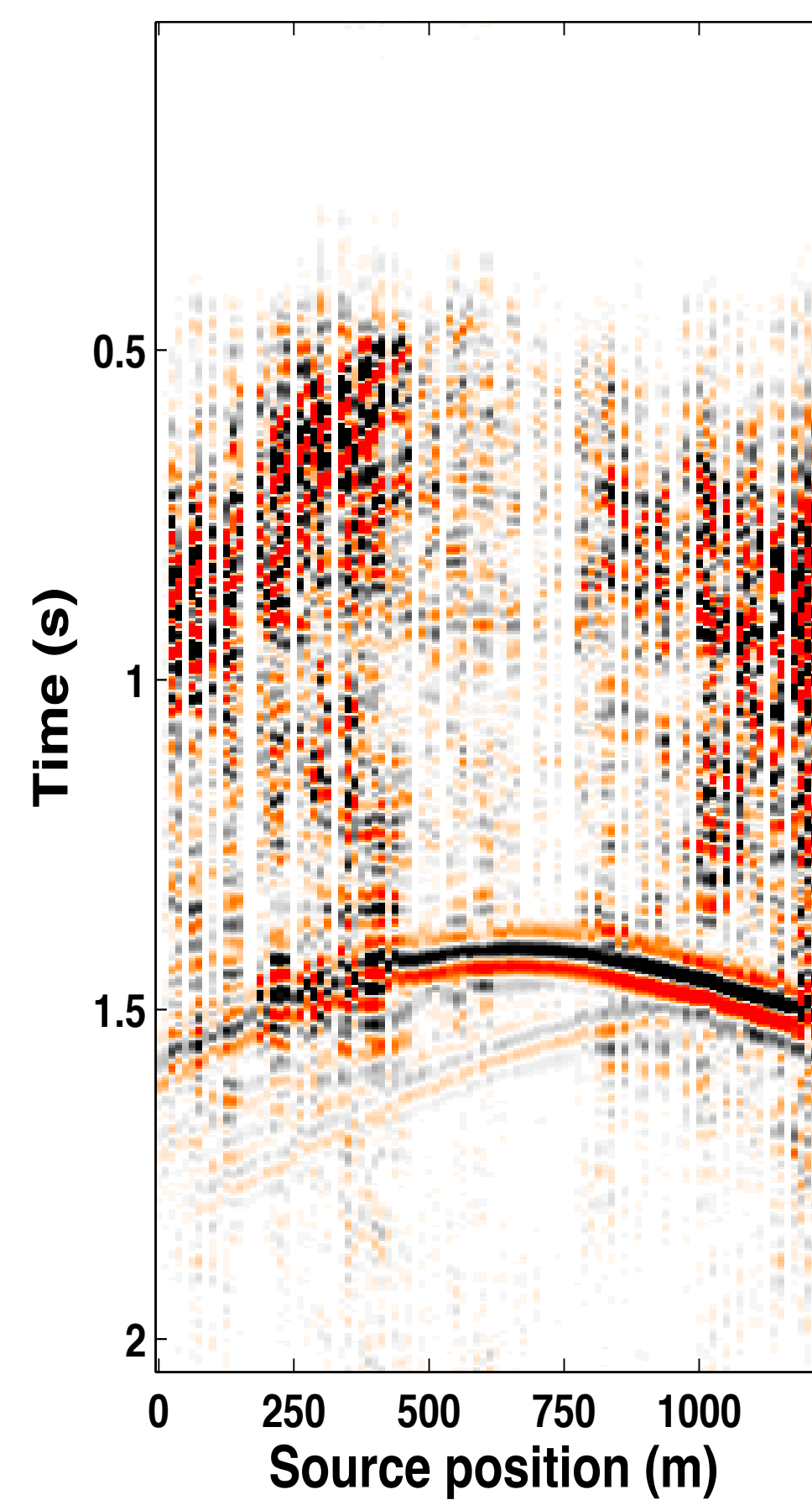
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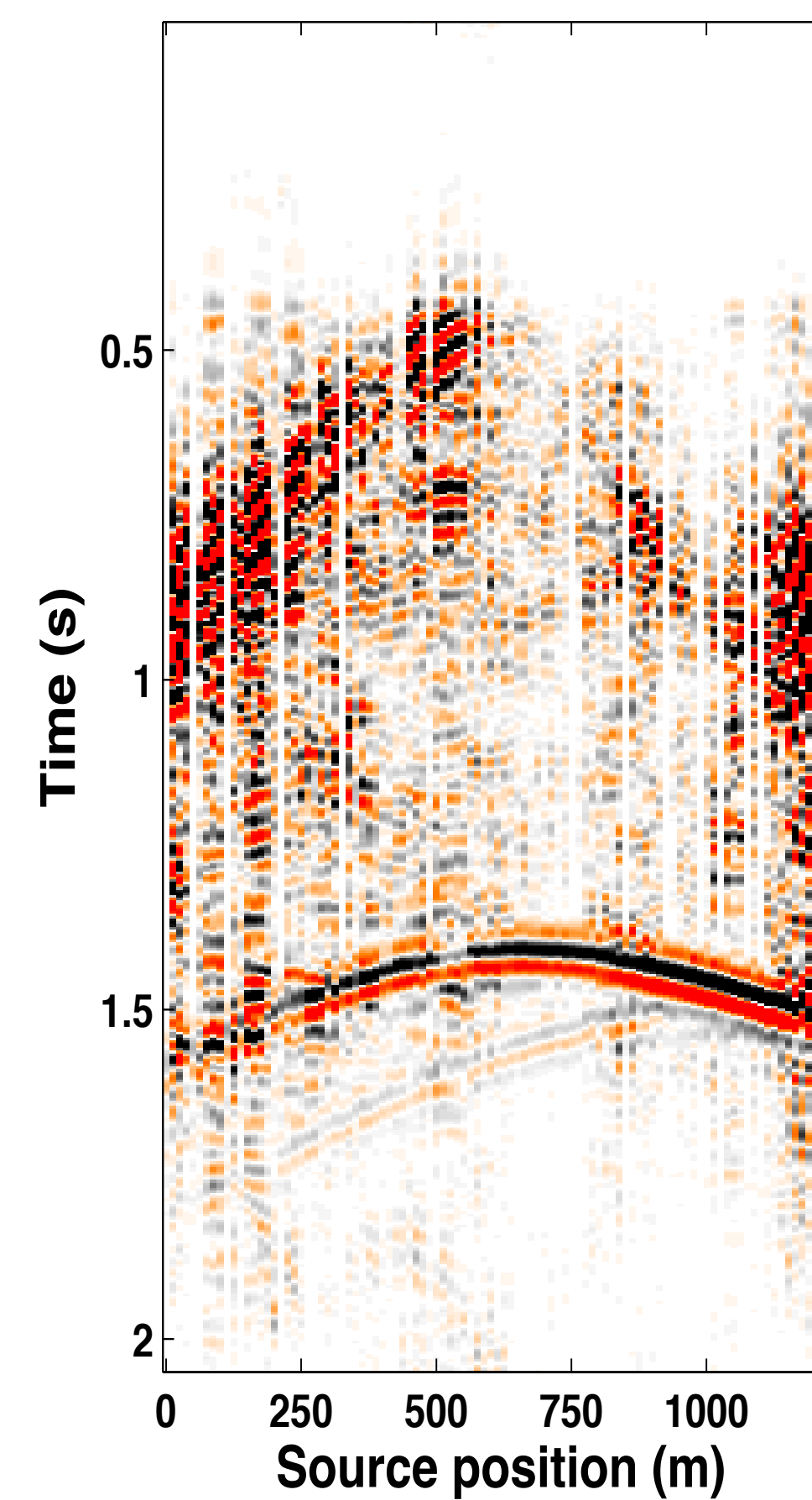
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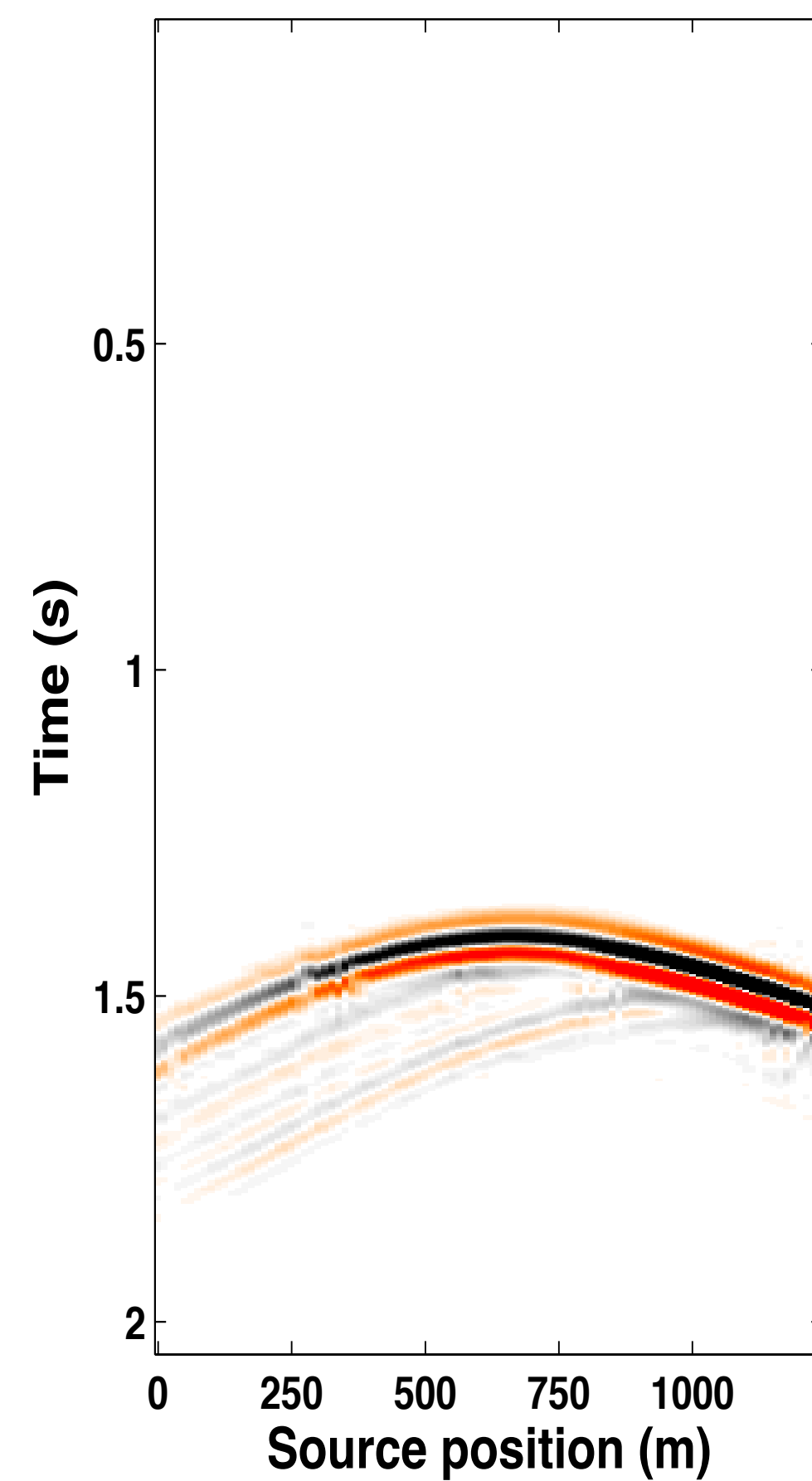


# 4-D recovery

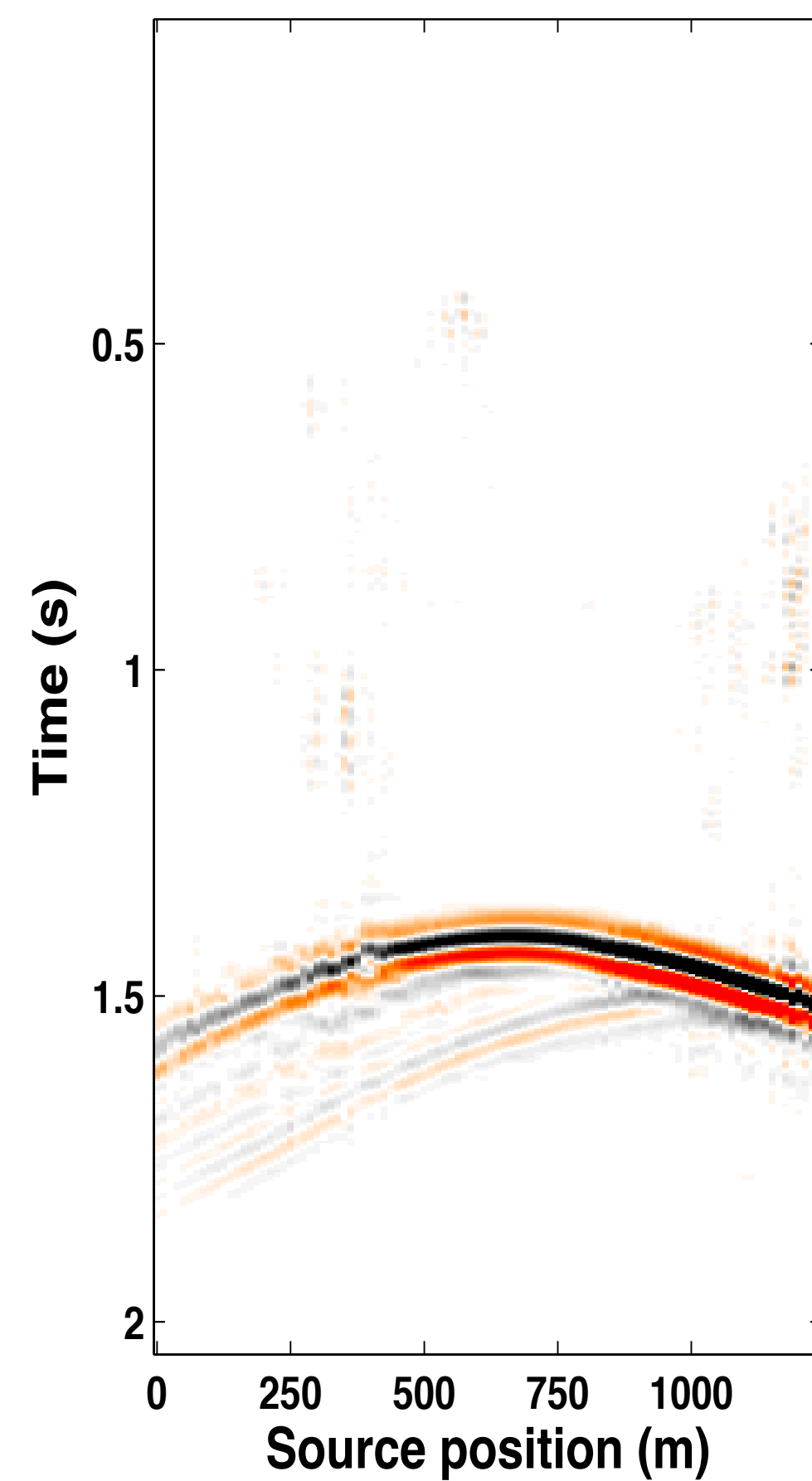
## – Joint recovery

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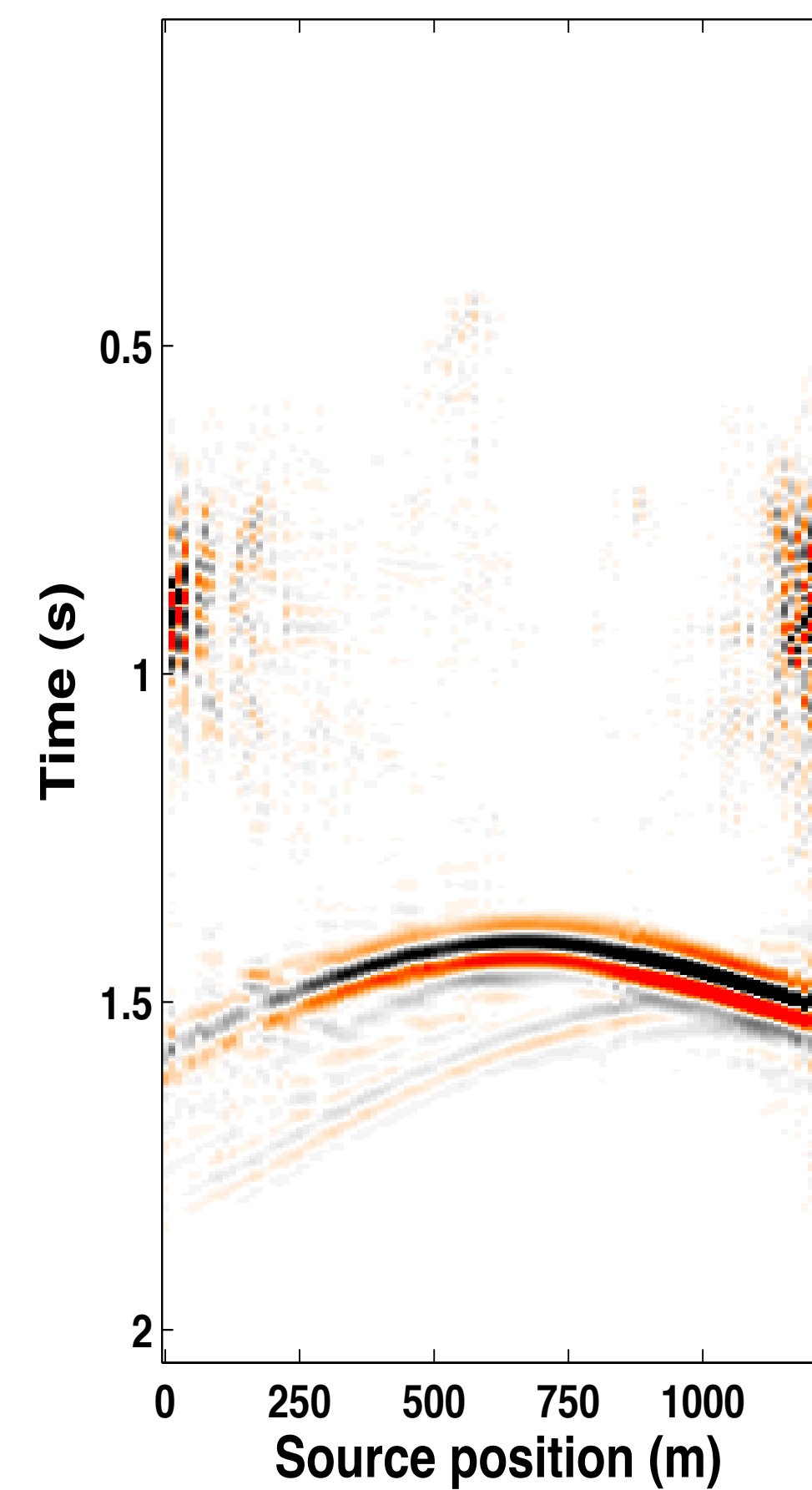
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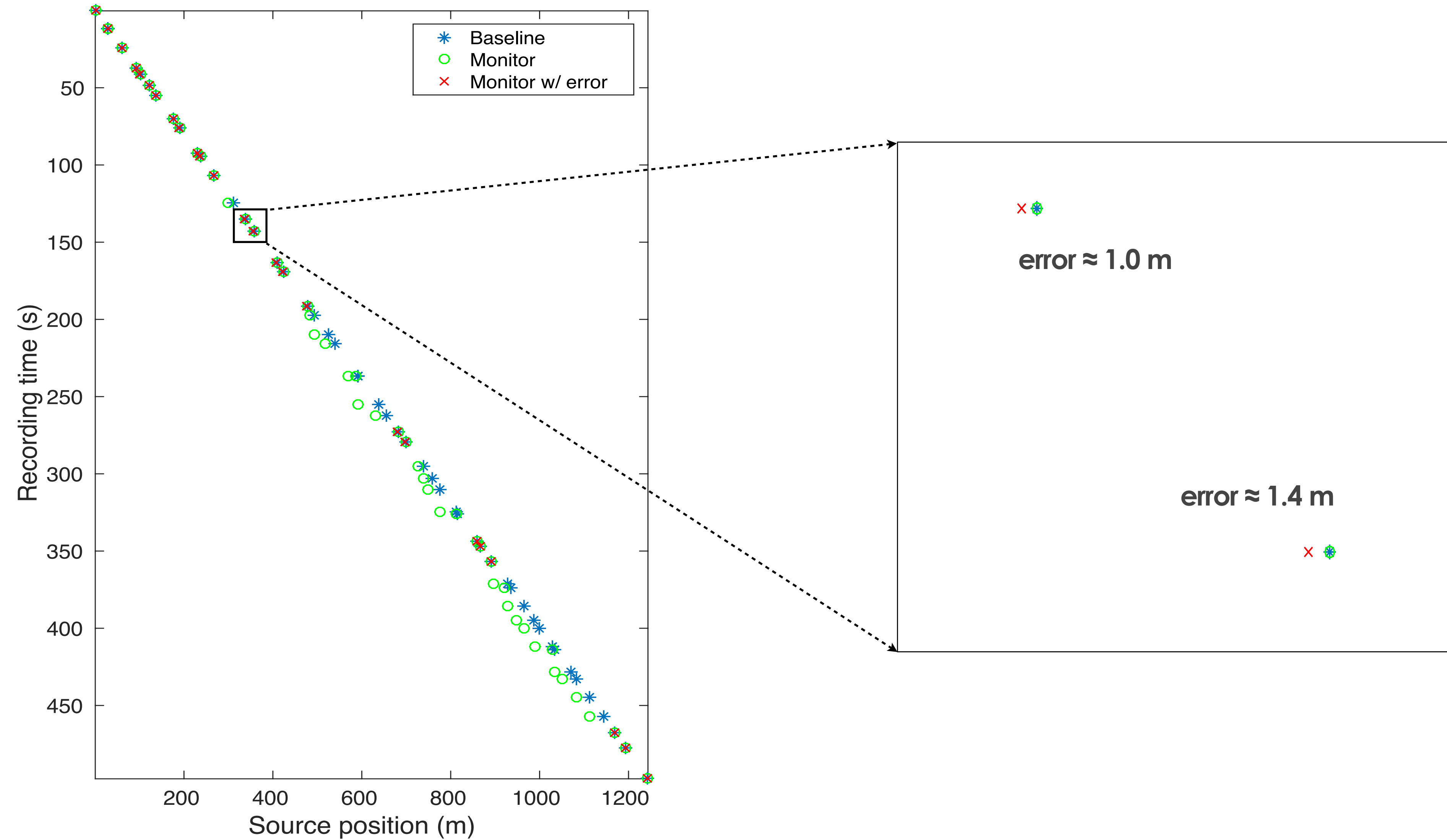


# Notion of repetition

Time-jittered marine acquisition **off the grid**

With & without errors in shot locations

# 4-D time-jittered marine acquisition



# 4-D recovery - JRM

– **50% overlap** in acquisition matrices

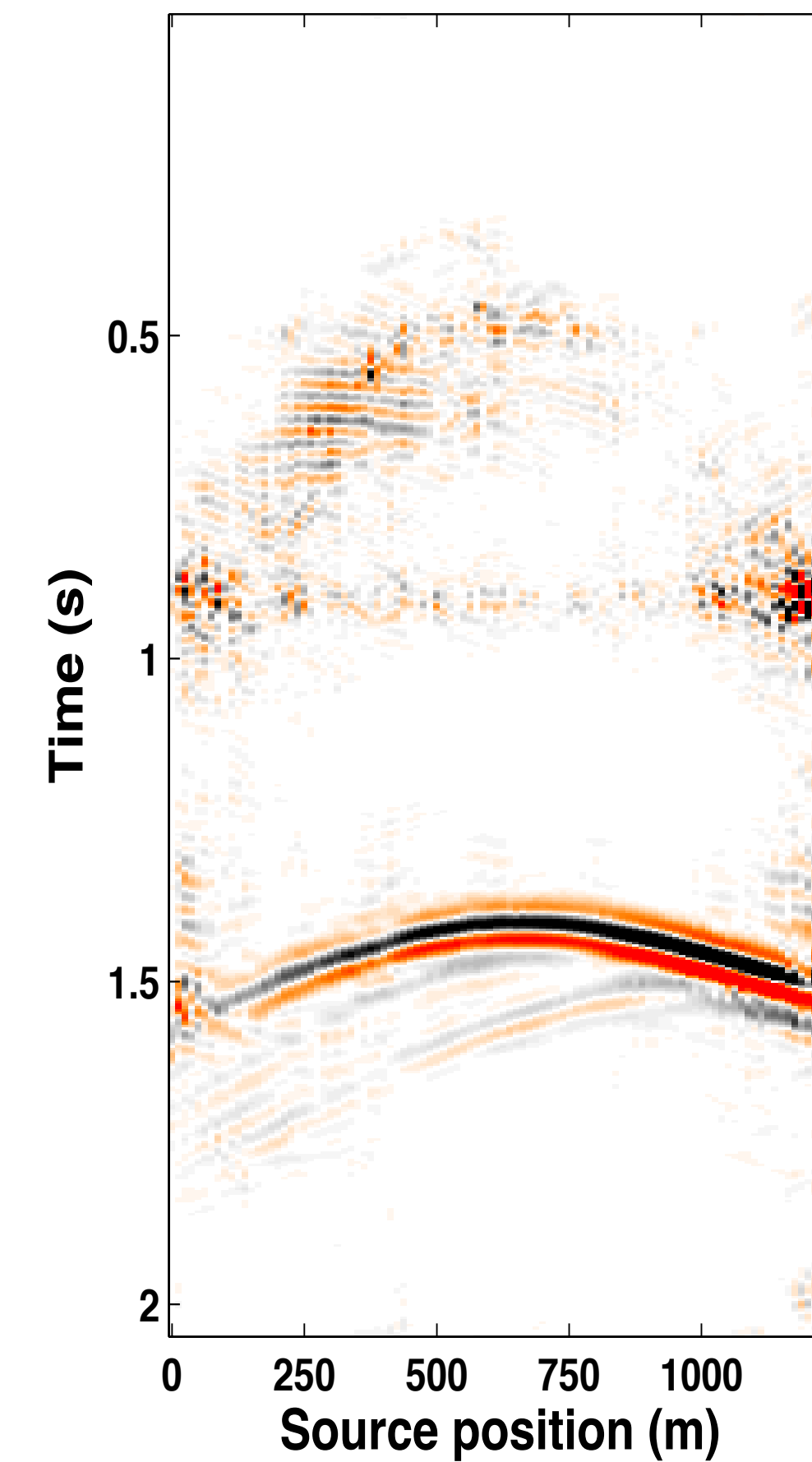
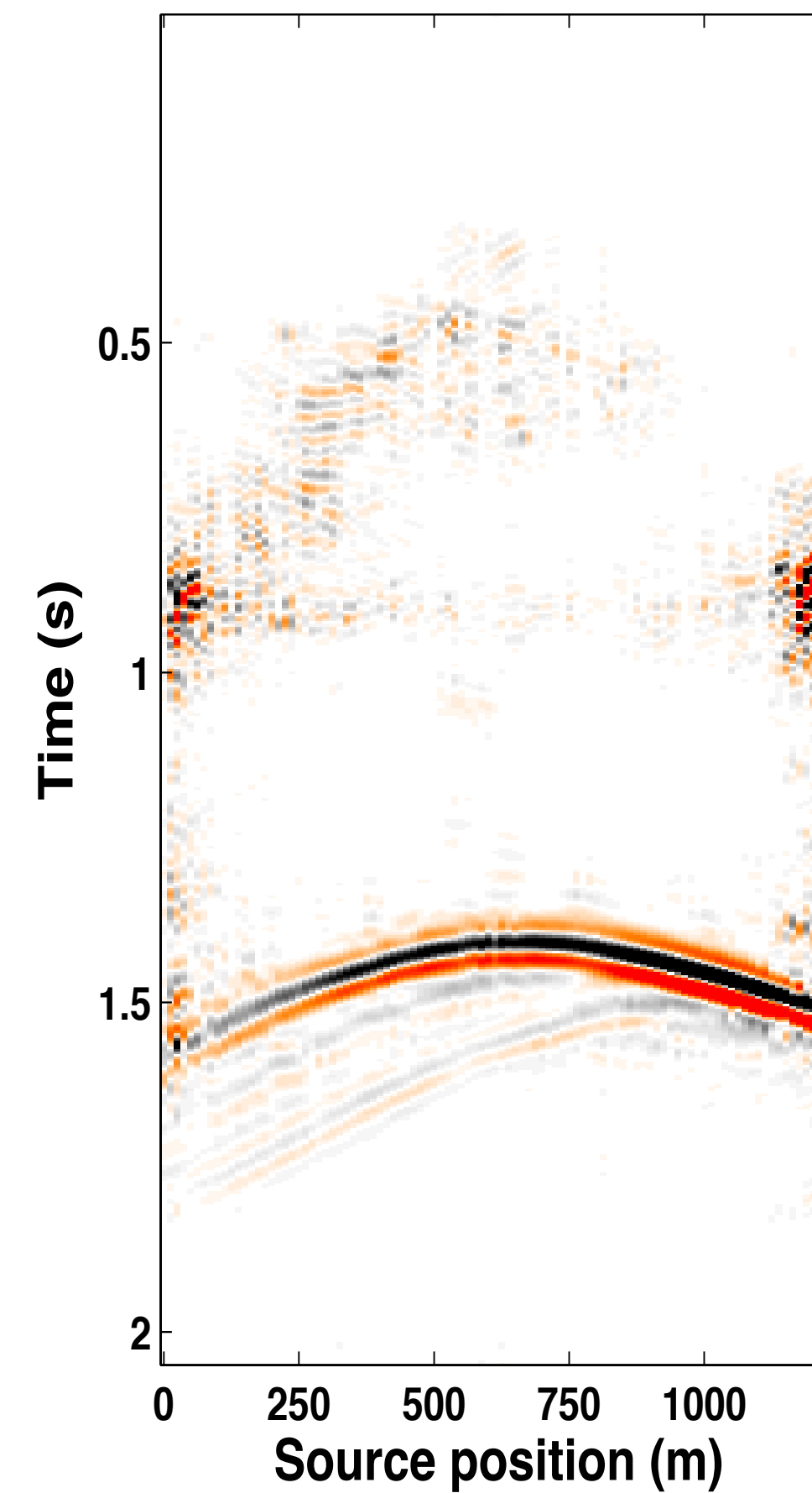
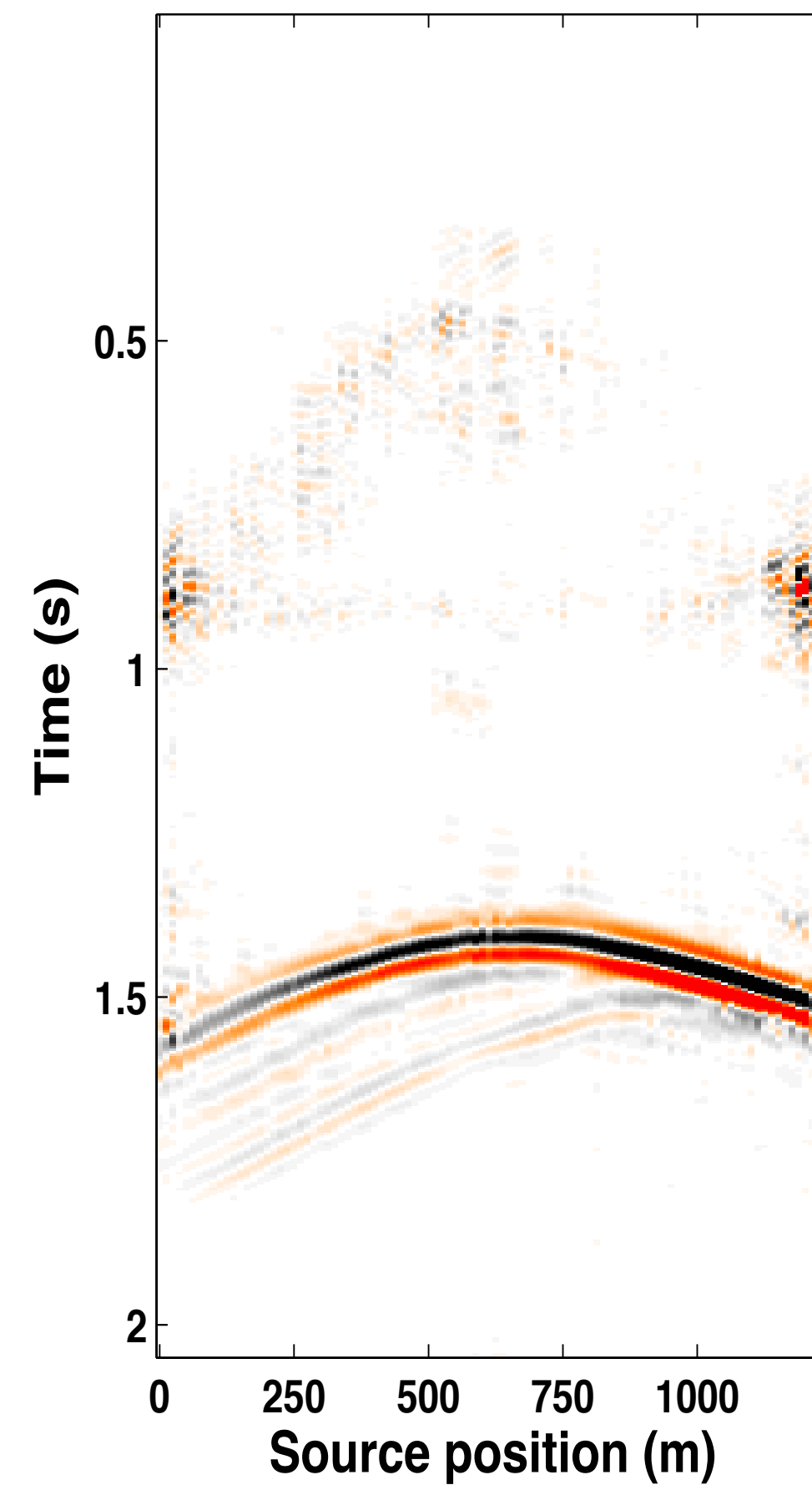
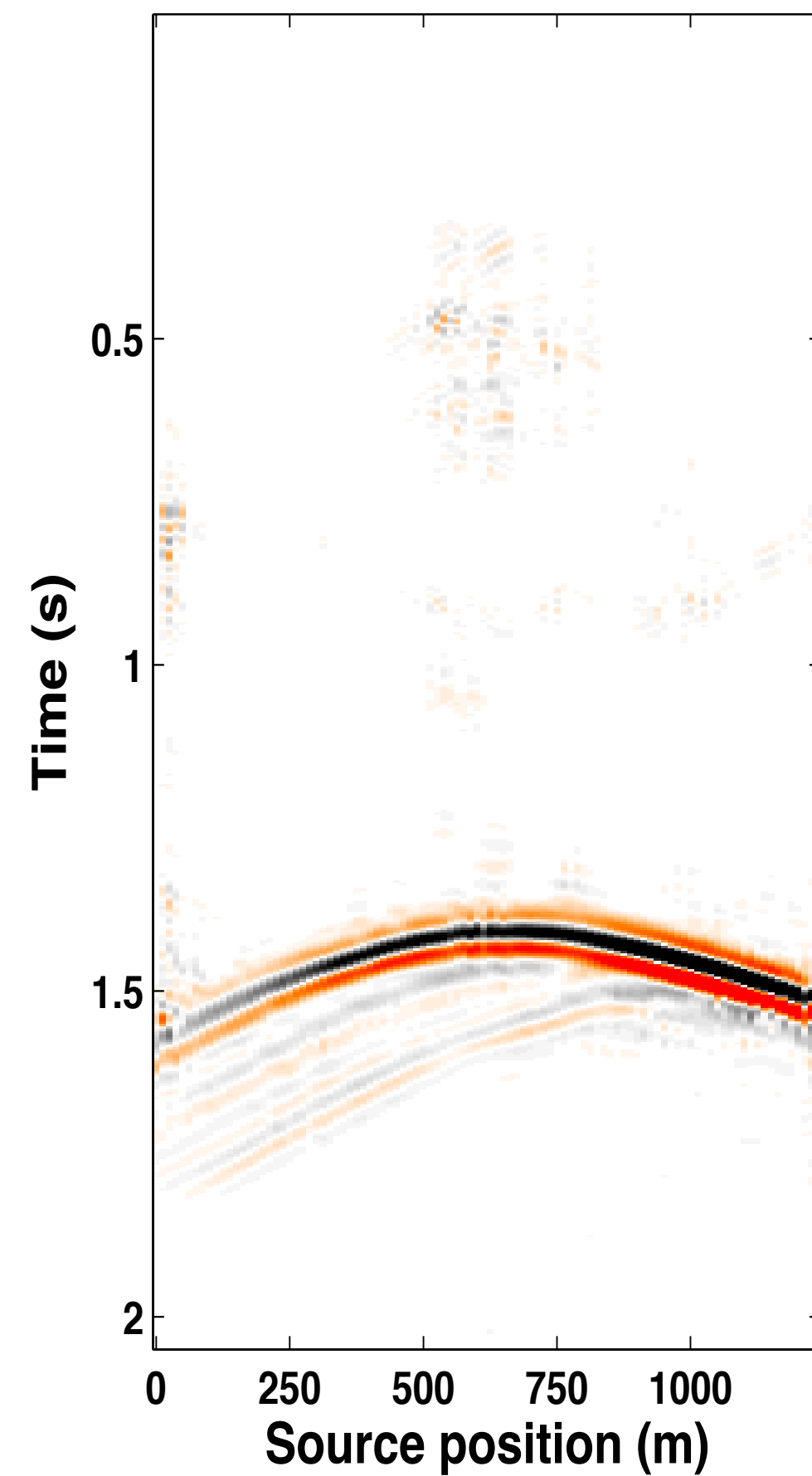
no error  
[12.2 dB]

error  $\approx 1.0$  m  
[8.5 dB]

error  $\approx 2.8$  m  
[3.8 dB]

**0% overlap**

[2.0 dB]



**On the contrary,**

location errors improve recovery of the vintages!

# Monitor recovery - JRM

– **50% overlap** in acquisition matrices

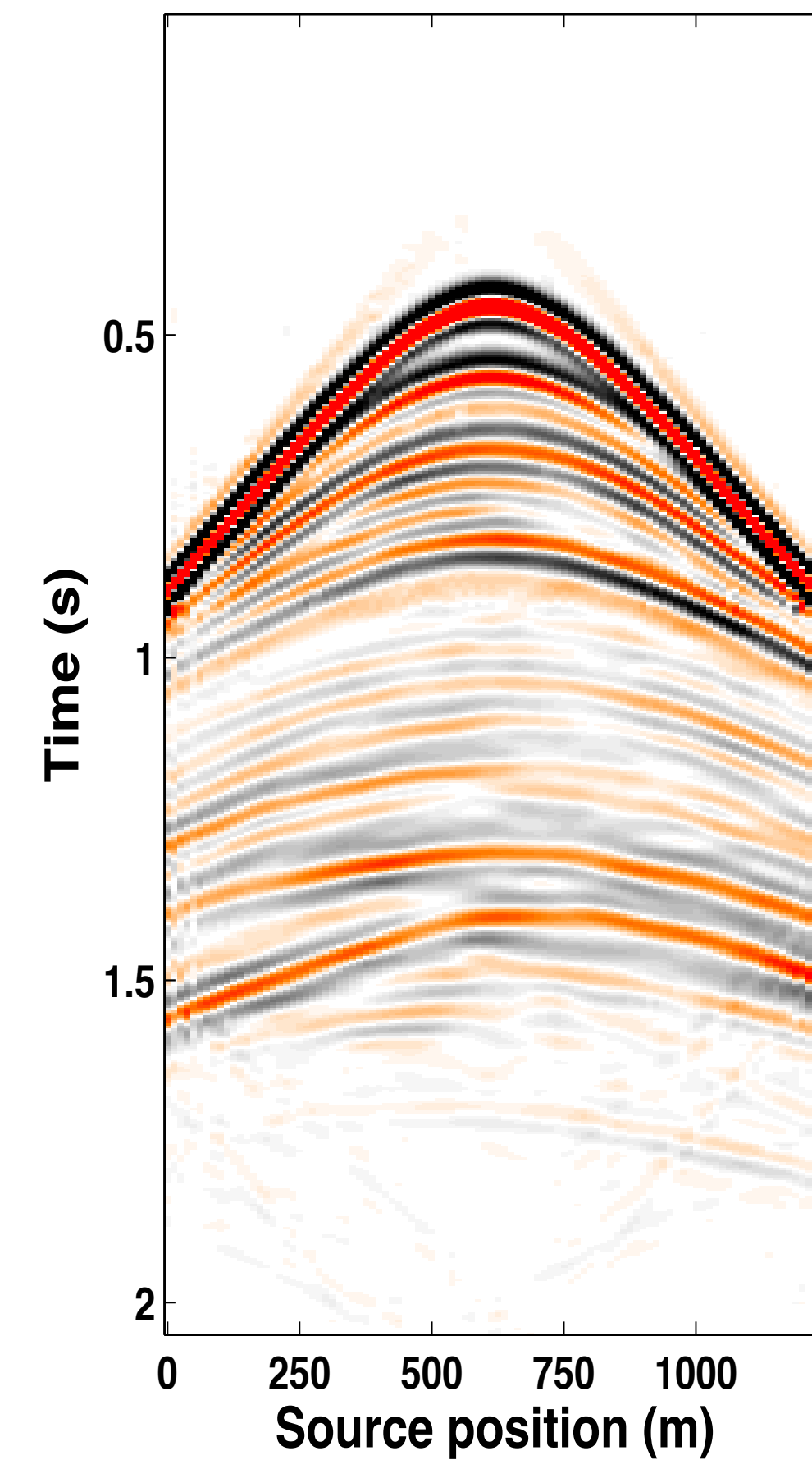
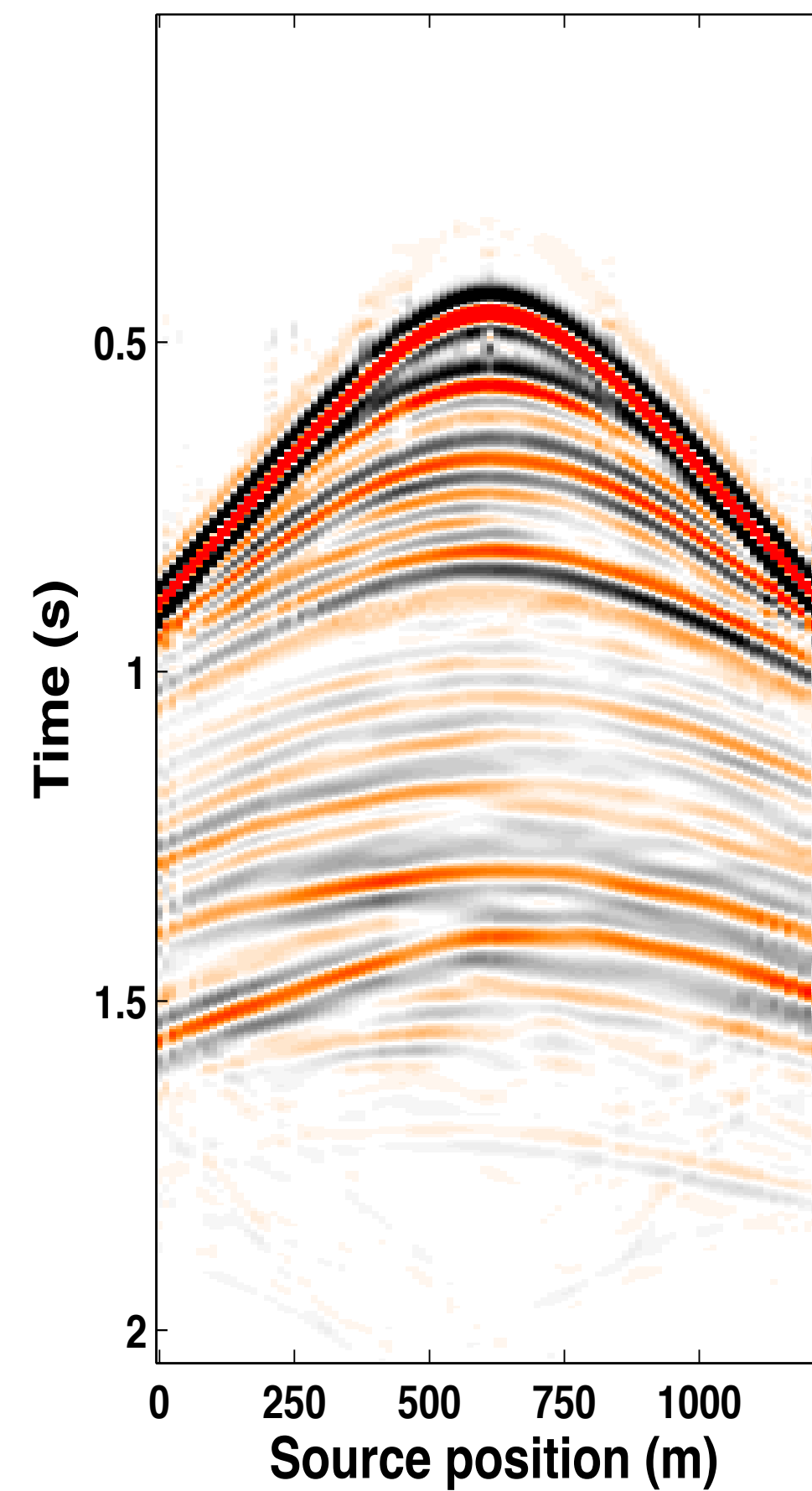
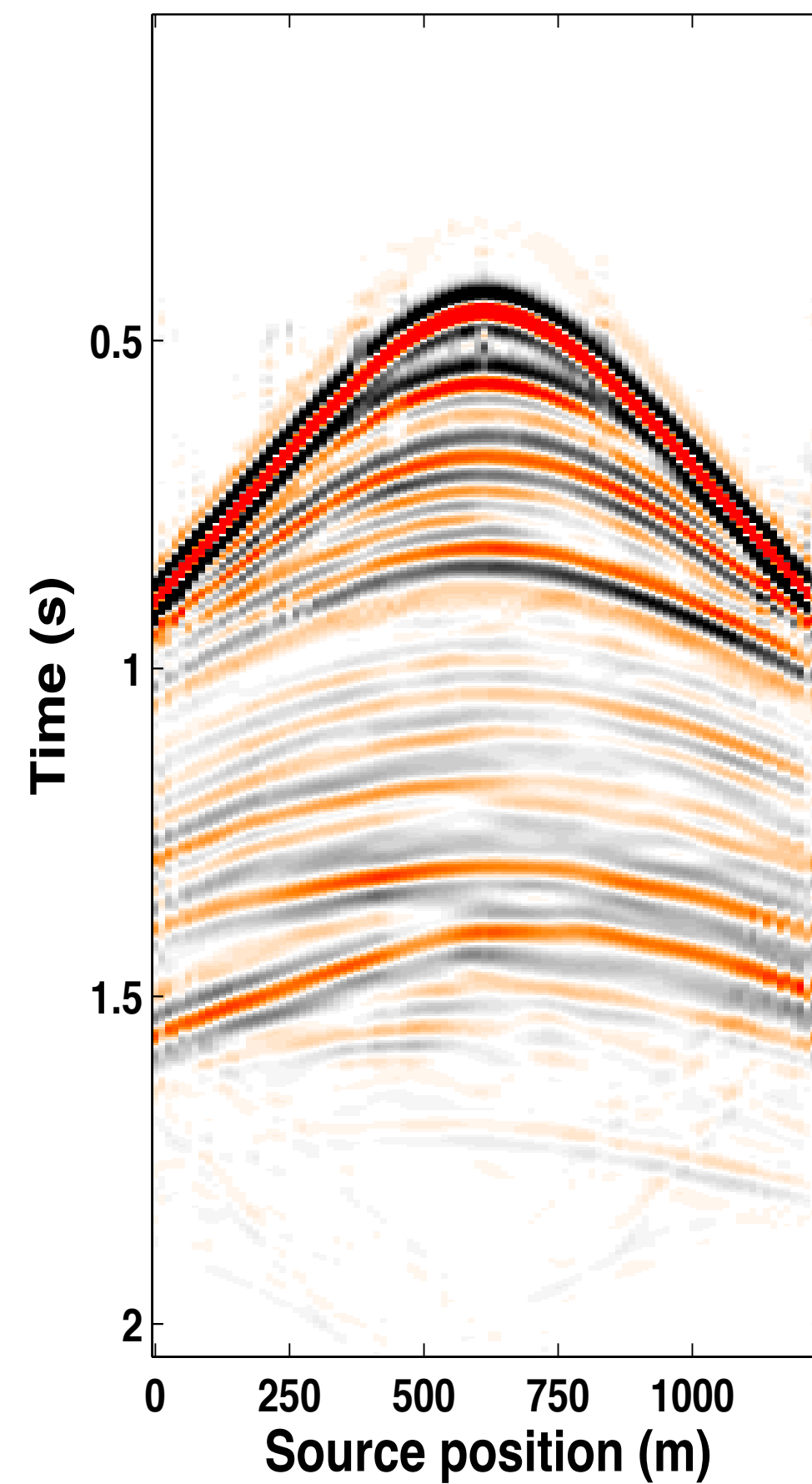
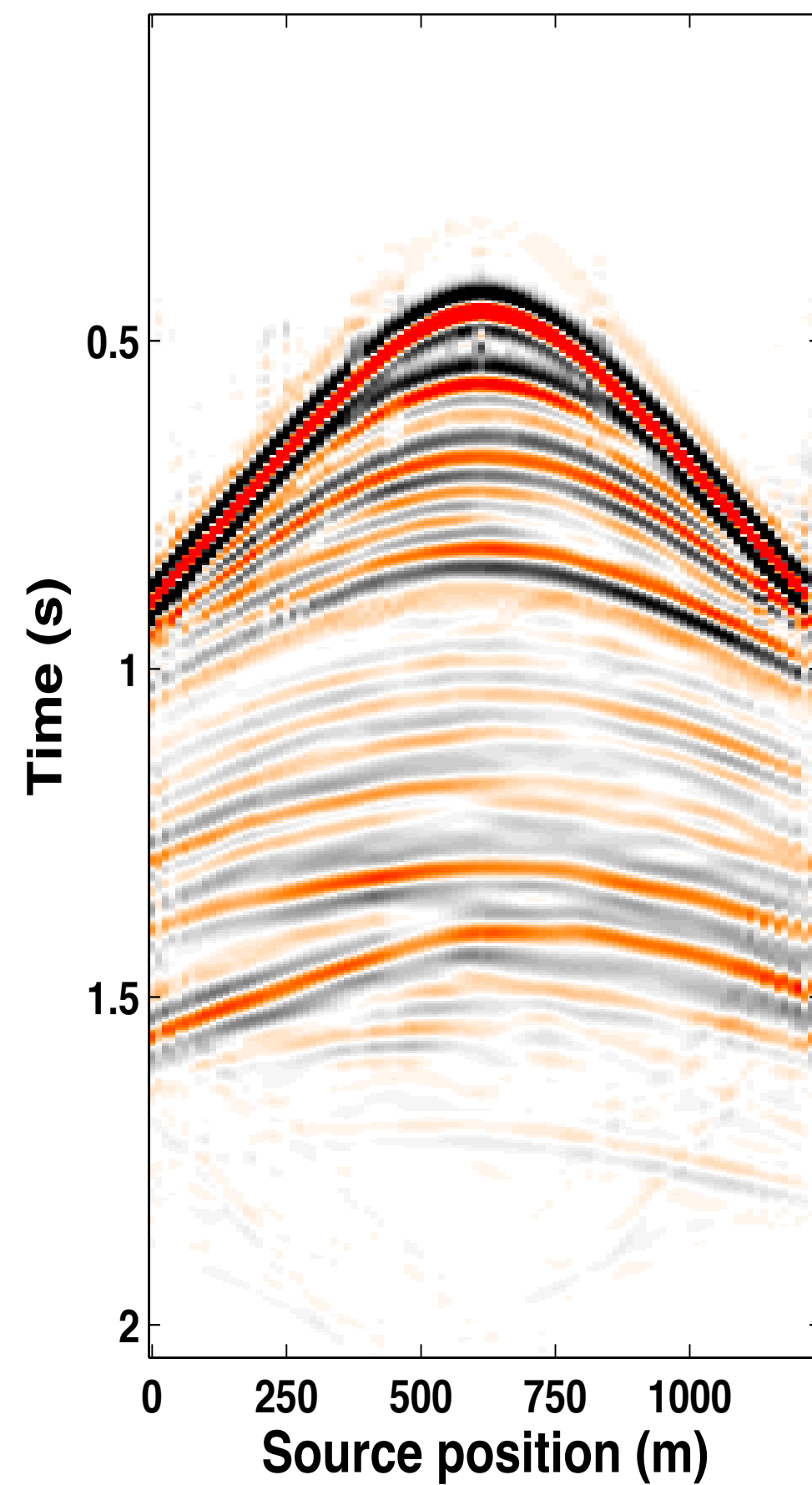
no error  
[13.9 dB]

error  $\approx 1.0$  m  
[14.5 dB]

error  $\approx 2.8$  m  
[15.5 dB]

**0% overlap**

[18.3 dB]



# Monitor residual - JRM

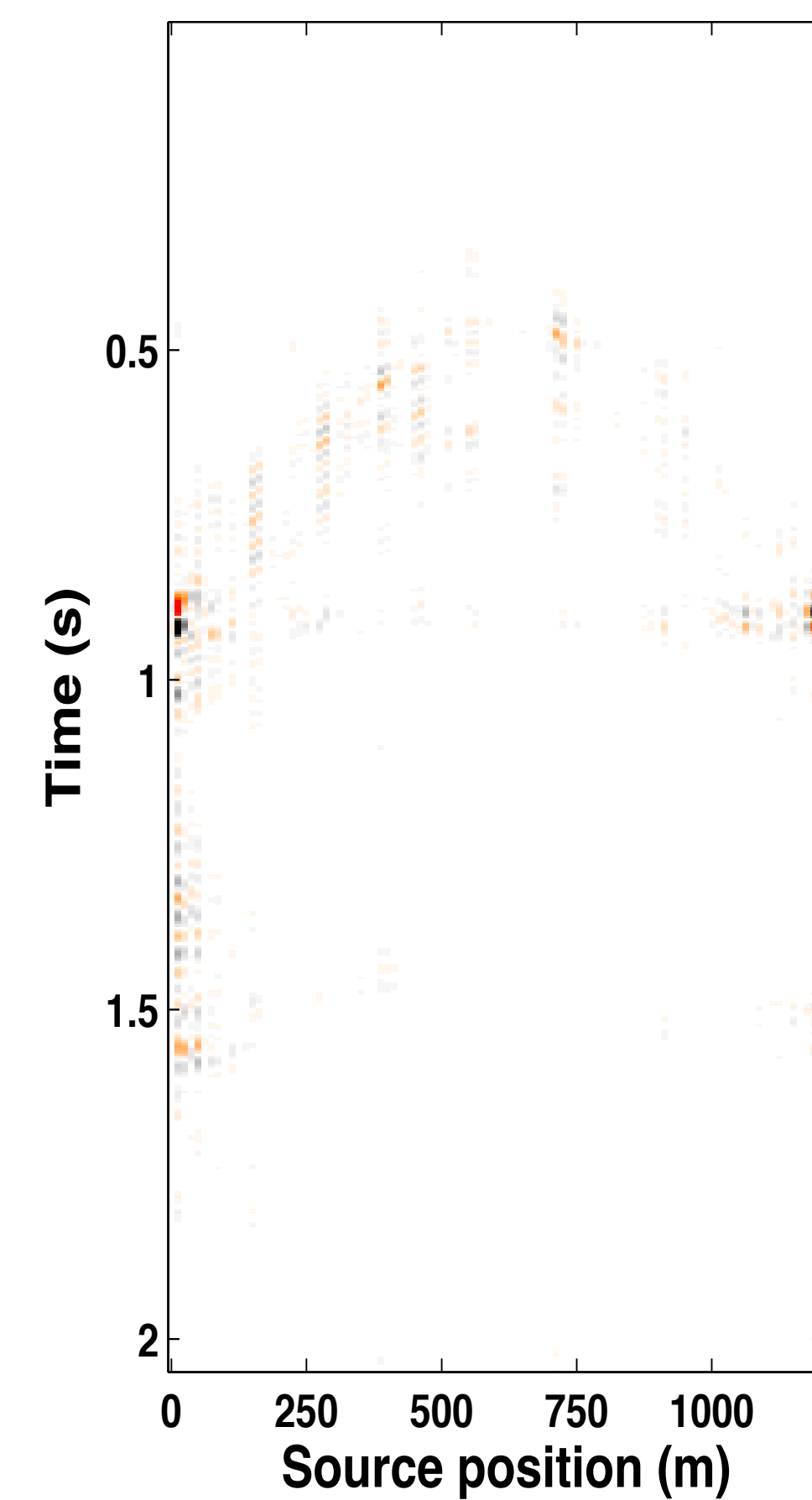
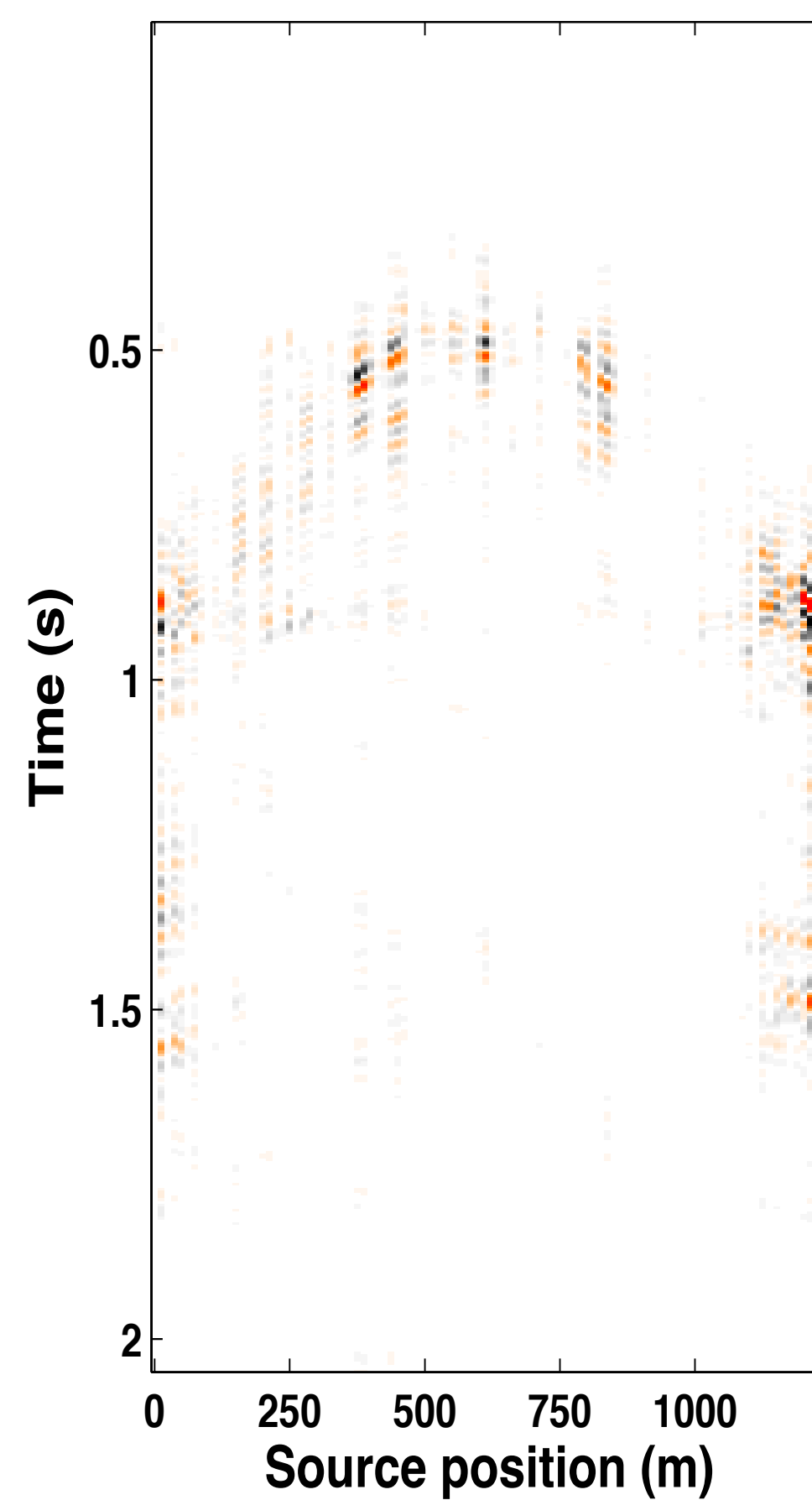
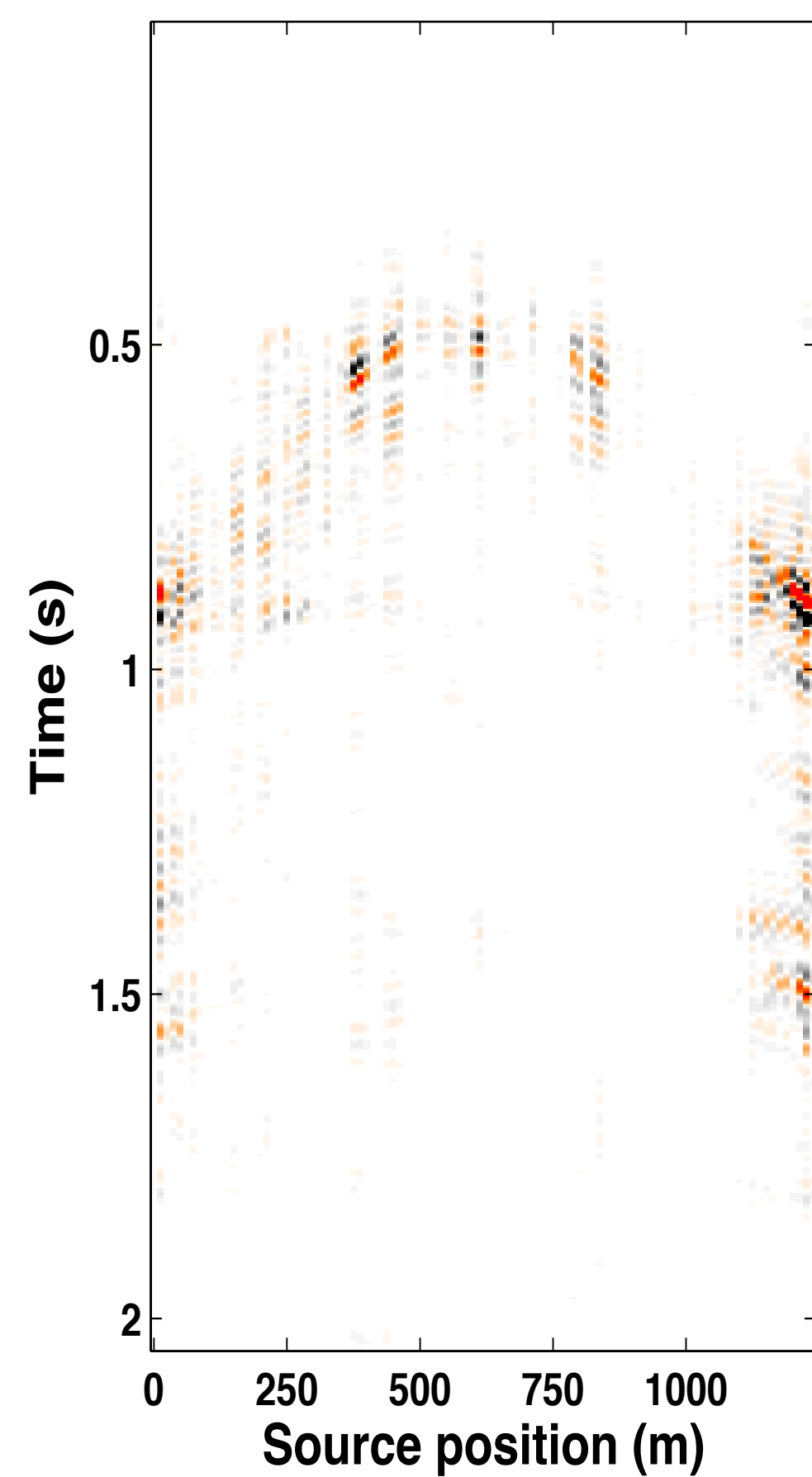
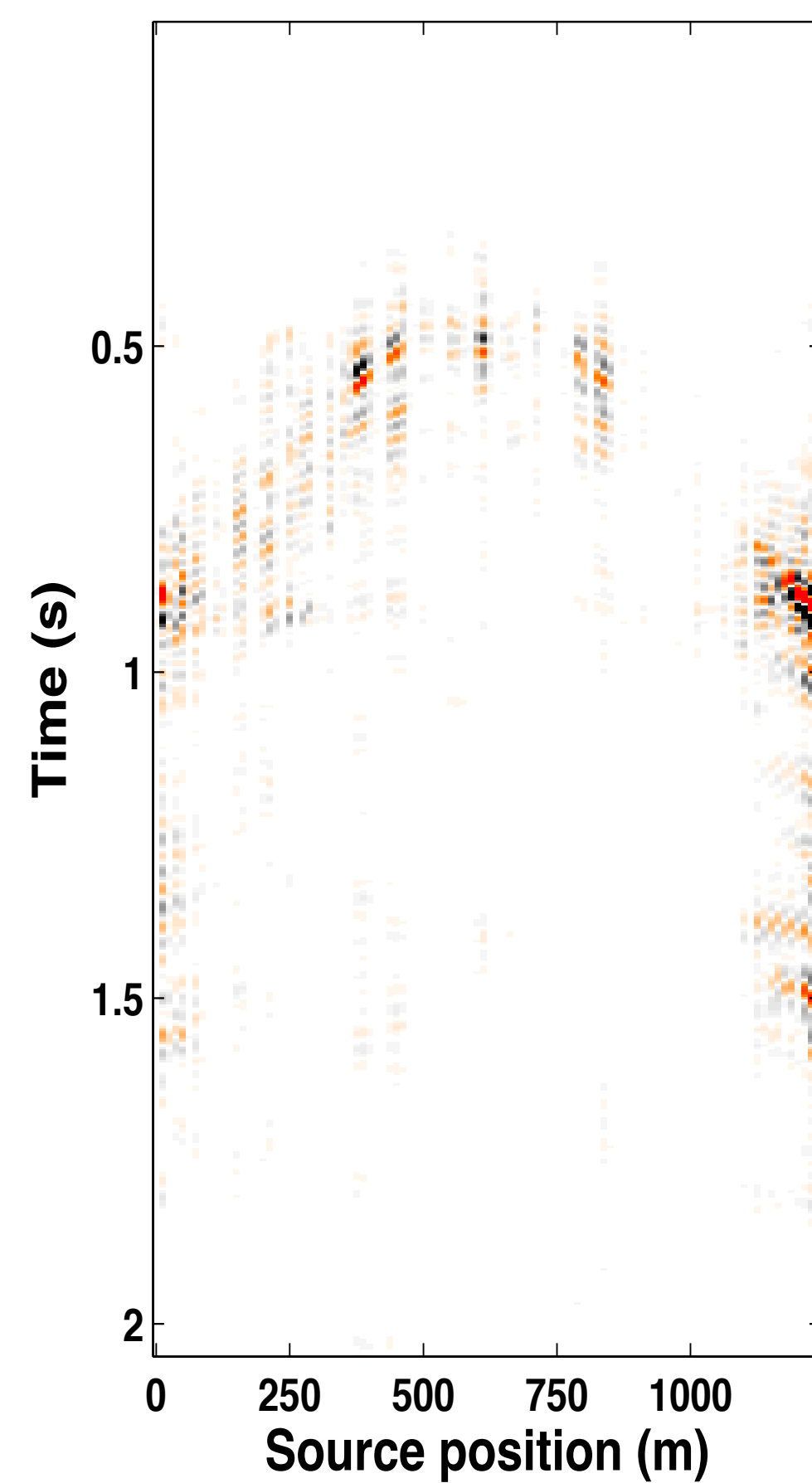
– **50% overlap** in acquisition matrices

no error

error  $\approx 1.0$  m

error  $\approx 2.8$  m

**0% overlap**



## Observations

In the given context of randomized subsampling, errors in the shot locations

- ▶ deteriorate recovery of the time-lapse signal
- ▶ improve recovery of the vintages

“Exact” repeatability of the surveys seems essential for good recovery of prestack time-lapse signals

**However, most time-lapse studies involve poststack attributes suggesting not to repeat in the field...**



# Randomized computations

## Drivers:

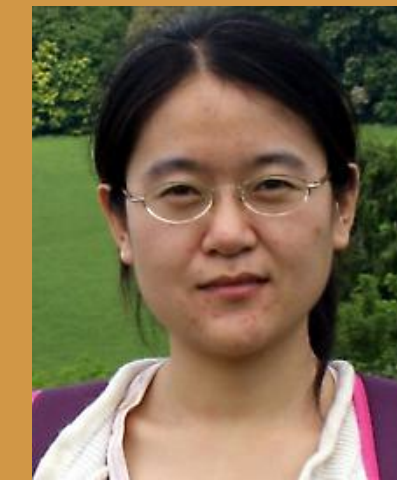
- ▶ wave-equation inversions are computationally prohibitively expensive
- ▶ withstands their widespread adaptation
- ▶ challenges development of resilient workflows, inclusion of more complex wave physics, and assessment of risk

## Solution:

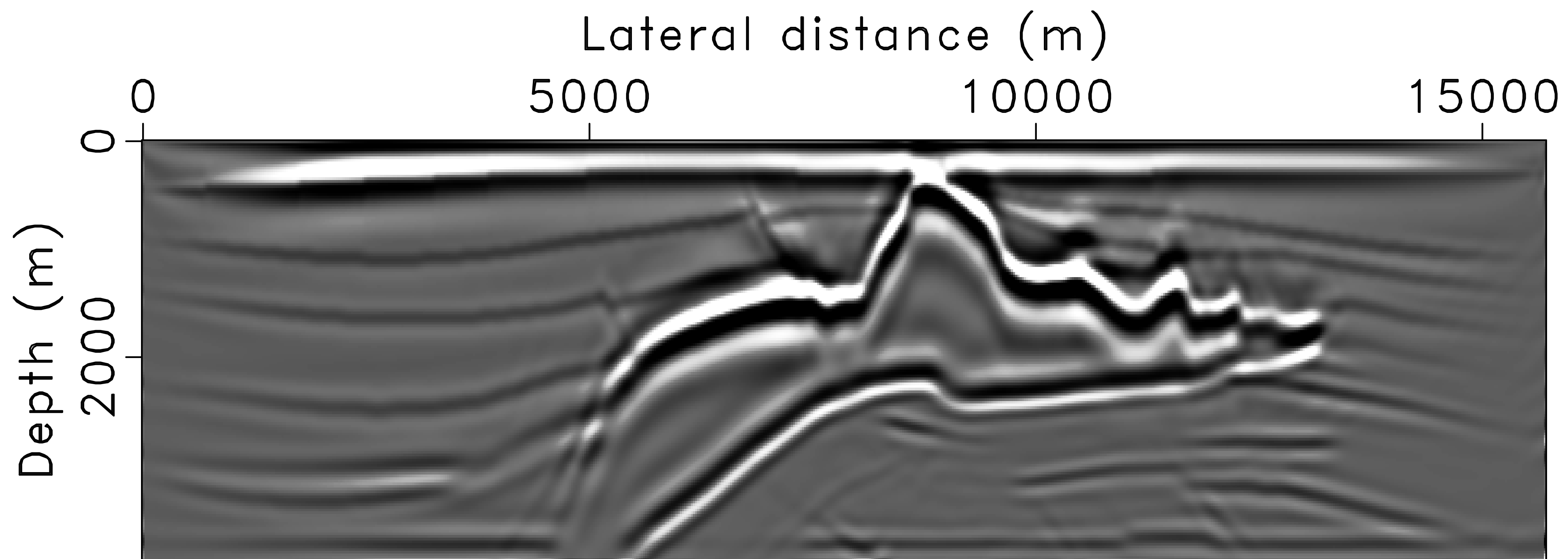
- ▶ remove insistence of “touching all data” for each iteration while still leveraging the fold
- ▶ work on small randomized subsets of data  
(random batches of shots / randomized composite shots)
- ▶ control sub-sampling related artifacts via averaging or structure promotion
- ▶ randomized computations = increased imaging productivity

# (Time-lapse) reverse-time migration w/ multiples, source estimation & gaps

Xiang Li, Felix Oghenekohwo, Ning Tu, Phillip Witte, and Mengmeng Yang

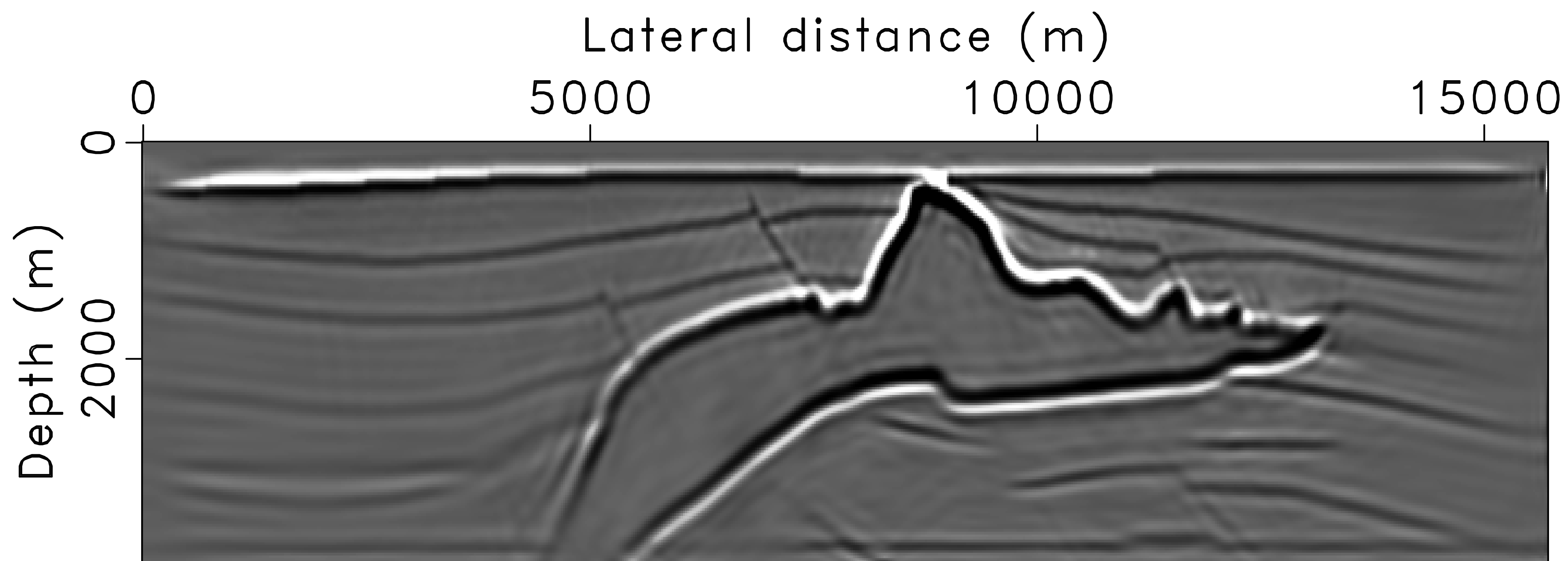


## From processing to inversion



RTM imaging via [adjoint](#), high-pass filtered to remove low-wavenumber RTM artifacts

## From processing to inversion



SPLSM image via **inversion**, # of wave-equation solves roughly equals 1 RTM w/ all data

## Motivation

Wave-equation based imaging (migration) is expensive

- ▶ insists on touching all data (= all RHS's)
- ▶ low resolution

Linearized wave-equation based inversion is prohibitively expensive

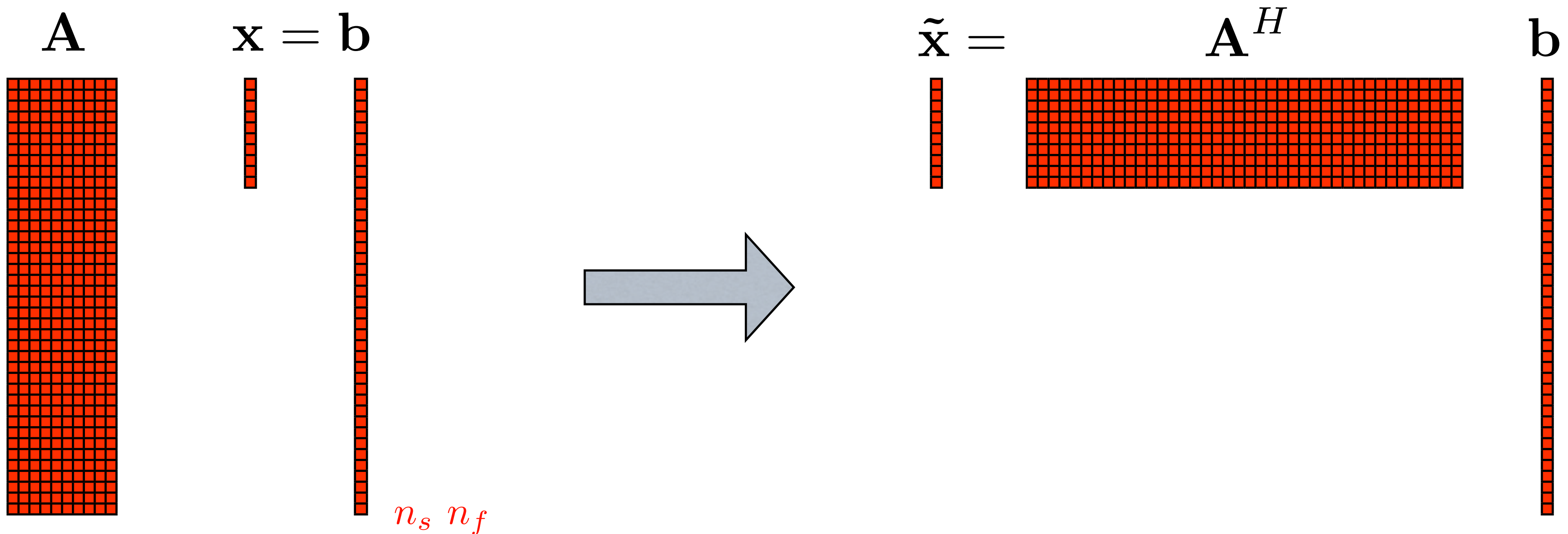
- ▶ touches all data for each iteration
- ▶ restores amplitudes (corrects for GN-Hessian)
- ▶ high-resolution when exploiting structure (e.g. sparsity)

Leverage randomized sampling techniques...

# Migration

Seismic imaging is linear, separable but extreme large scale

- overdetermined, ill-conditioned & inconsistent system
- so far: solved by applying a (scaled) adjoint w/ many PDE solves



## Migration

Solving  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  with  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{b} \Rightarrow$  image

Alternatively: least-squares solution via matrix-free iterations to

$$\underset{\mathbf{x}}{\text{minimize}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$$

with solution  $\mathbf{x} = \left( \underbrace{\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A}}_{\text{GN Hessian}} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{b}$

Inverting GN Hessian expensive  $\Rightarrow$  solve with linear optimization

## Migration with sparsity promotion

Normal least-squares solution:

- does not exploit structure in  $\mathbf{x}$
- requires many iterations (= data passes/# of PDE solves)

Sparsity-promoting inversion

- “classic” sparse recovery: 
$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \\ & \text{subject to } \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

- Basis Pursuit (BP)
- designed for underdetermined systems  
(but we will later see it works for randomly sampled systems too!)



# ISTA

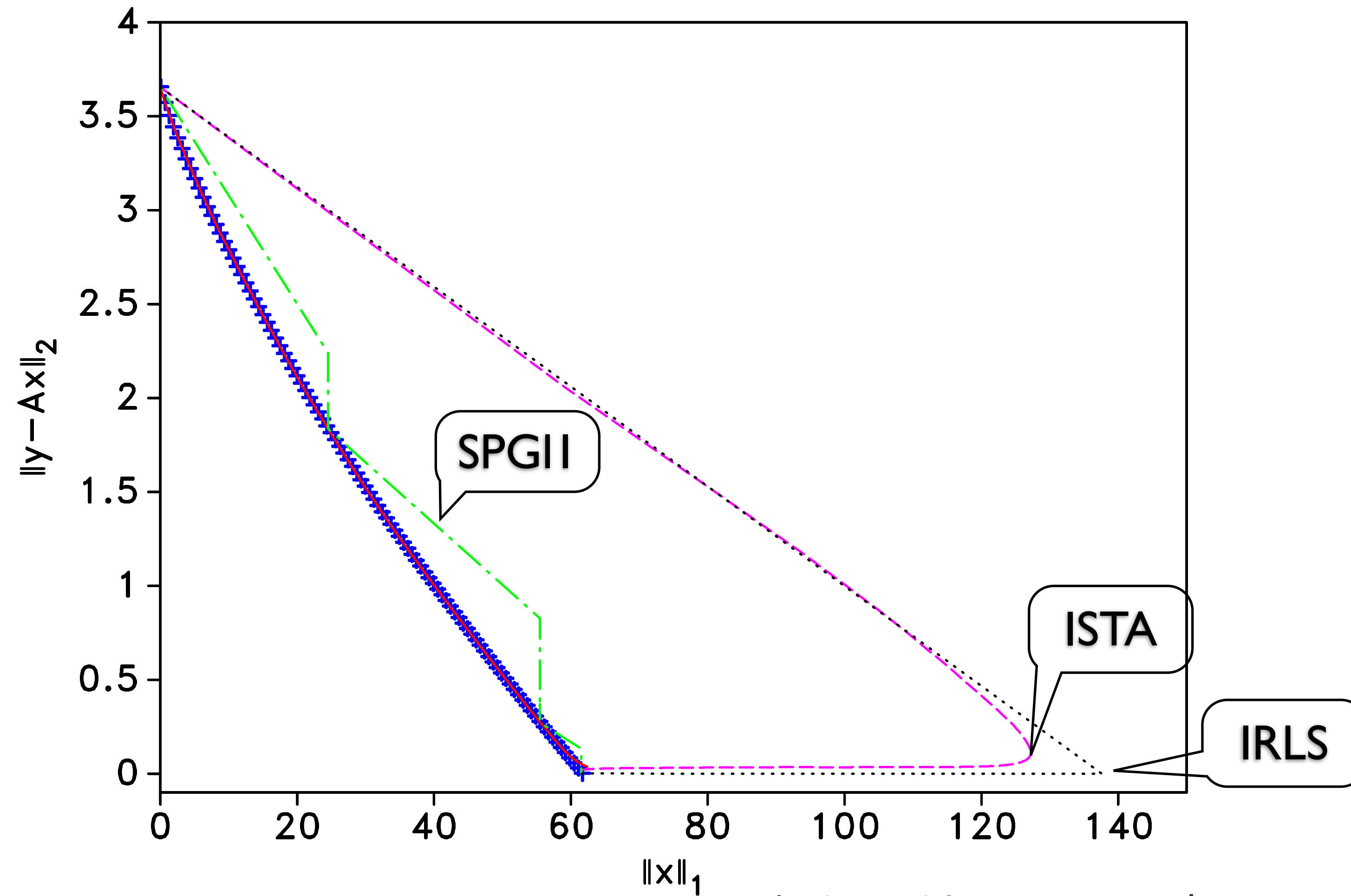
## Iterative Shrinkage Thresholding Algorithm

1. **for**  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
2.  $\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k - t_k \mathbf{A}^* (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_k)$
3.  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = S_\lambda(\mathbf{z}_{k+1})$
4. **end for**

\*where  $S_\lambda(x) = \text{sign}(x) \cdot \max(|x| - \lambda, 0)$  is soft thresholding and  $t_k$  are step lengths

- ▶ simple but converges slowly, especially for  $\lambda$  small
- ▶ BP corresponds to non-trivial limit  $\lambda \rightarrow 0^+$
- ▶ requires (complicated) continuation strategies for  $\lambda$

## Solution paths



\*adapted from 10.1190/1.2944169

## Observations

Contributions from “optimizers” yielded robust solvers such as SPGL1

- ▶ relatively fast because of continuation methods that relax the constraint
- ▶ black boxes with clever state-of-the-art “tricks”

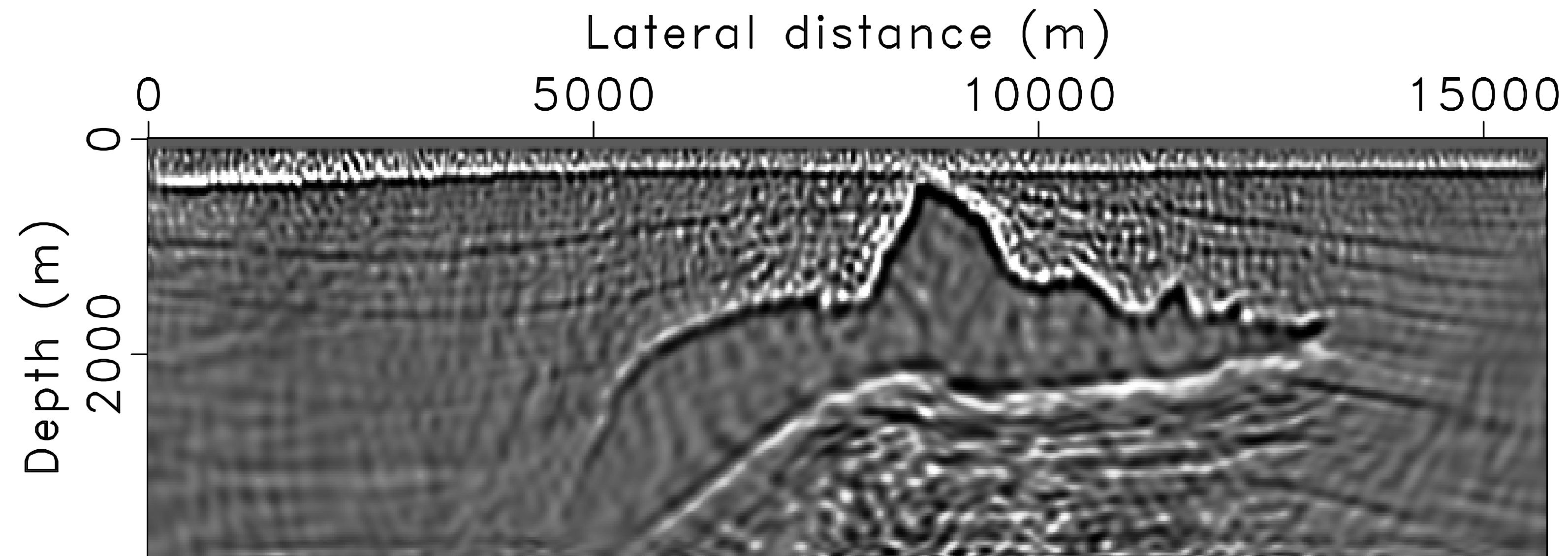
But, their

- ▶ convergence is too slow for realistic seismic problems w/ expensive matvecs & IO
- ▶ implementation is rather complicated & somewhat inflexible
- ▶ design is not optimized for overdetermined problems

Suggests use of Stochastic Average Approximation (SAA) to reduce costs...

# SPLSM w/ CS

## slow convergence of SAA

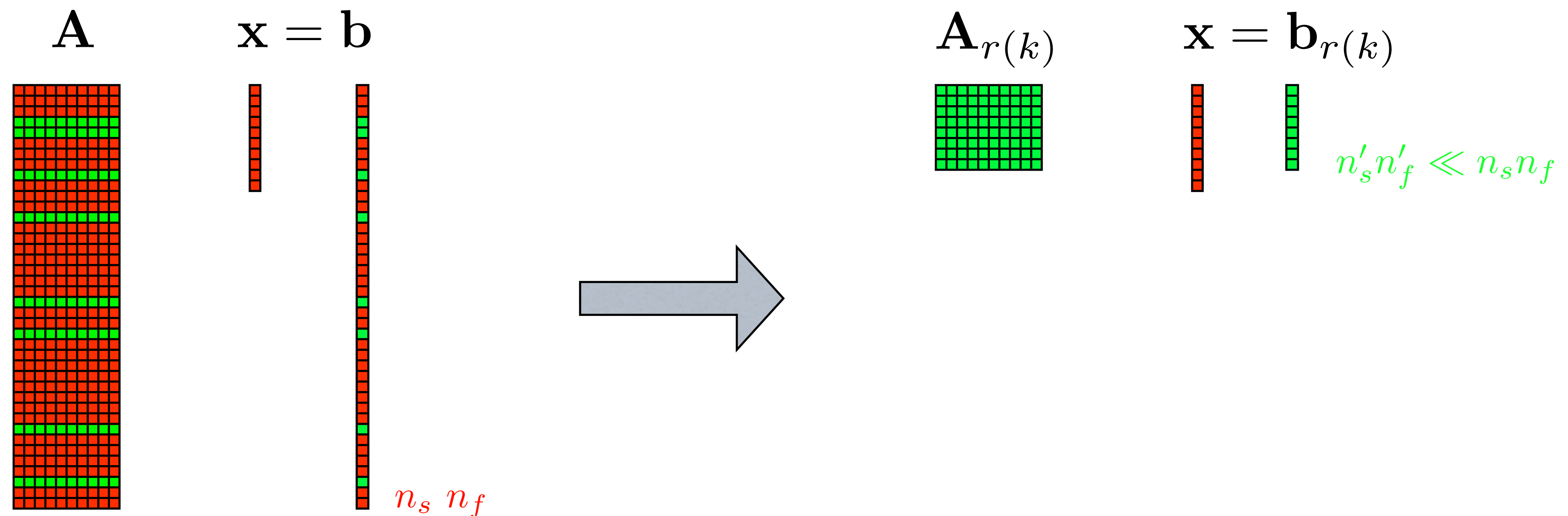


SPLSM image via **inversion** w/ **fixed** randomization

# Randomized L1 solvers

For large scale seismic problems we are interested in:

- reducing time consuming I/O & PDE solves
- working on (random) subsets of data = row blocks of  $\mathbf{A}$



## Randomized L1 solvers

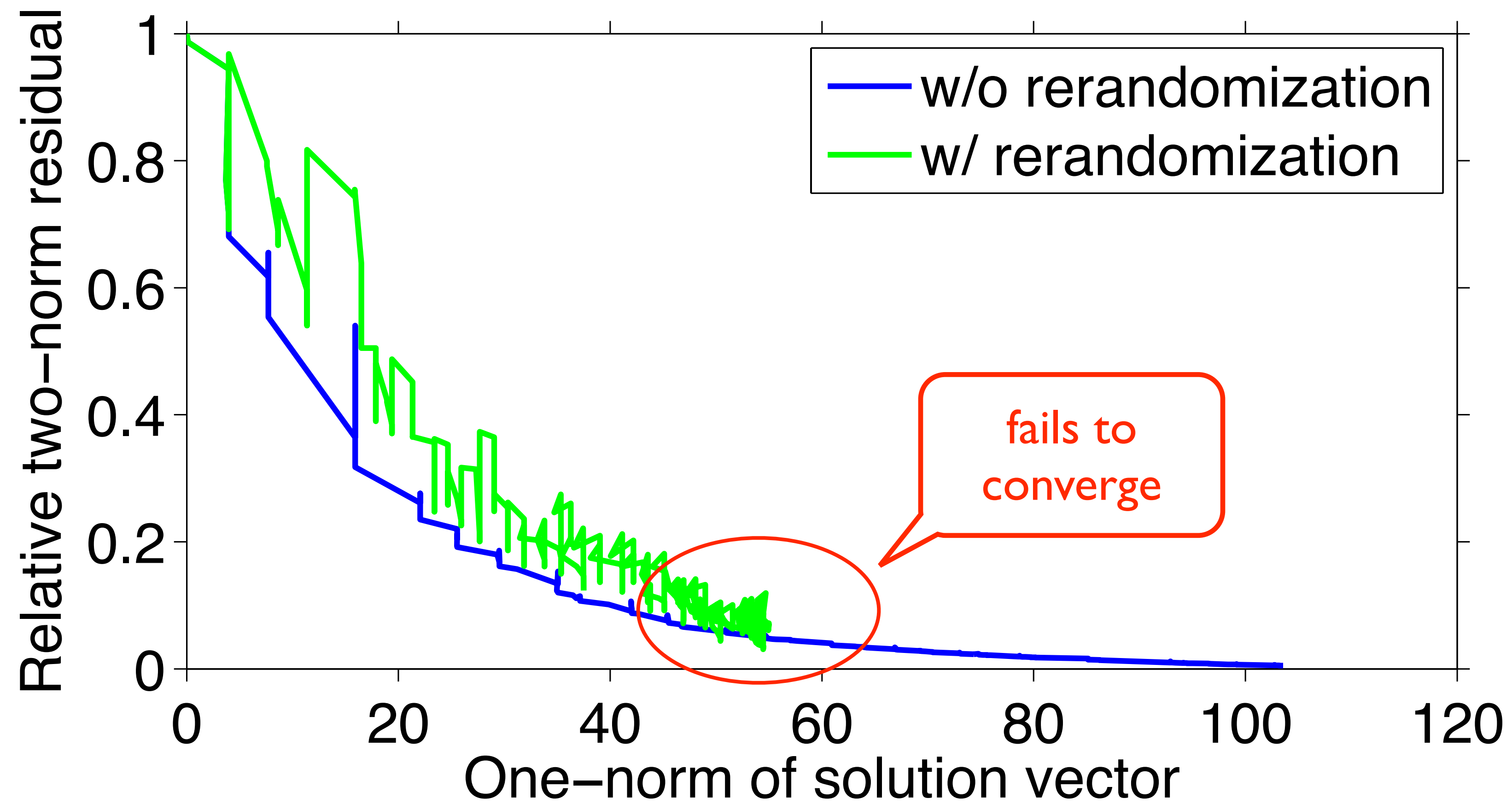
Randomized iterative soft thresholding algorithm (RISTA):

1. **for**  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
2.  $\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k - t_k \mathbf{A}_{r(k)}^* (\mathbf{A}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_k)$
3.  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = S_{\lambda_k}(\mathbf{z}_{k+1})$
4. **end for**

\*where  $S_\lambda(x) = \text{sign}(x) \cdot \max(|x| - \lambda, 0)$  is soft thresholding and  $t_k$  are step lengths

- relates to “approximate” message passing theory (Montanari, '09)
- reduces I/O, works on small subset of data
- only converges for special  $\mathbf{A}^*$ ,  $\mathbf{A}$  and tuned  $\lambda$  s

## RISTA solution path



## Relaxed sparsity objective

Instead, consider

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\text{minimize}} && \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \\ & \text{subject to} && \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ strictly convex objective known as “elastic” net in machine learning
- ▶ equivalent to Basis Pursuit for “large enough”  $\lambda$
- ▶ corresponds to [Lorentz et. al., ‘14]
  - sparse Kaczmarz for single-row  $\mathbf{A}_k$ ’s
  - linearized Bregman for full  $\mathbf{A}$ ’s



# RISKA

## Randomized IS Kaczmarz Algorithm w/ linearized Bregman

1. **for**  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
2.  $\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \mathbf{z}_k - t_k \mathbf{A}_k^* (\mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_k)$
3.  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = S_\lambda(\mathbf{z}_{k+1})$
4. **end for**

\*where  $t_k = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_k\|^2}{\|\mathbf{A}_k^* (\mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_k)\|^2}$  are the step lengths

- ▶ exceedingly simple flexible “three line” algorithm
- ▶ gradient descend on the dual problem, which provably converges
- ▶ total different role for  $\lambda$

# Linearized Bregman

Extension to handle noisy data

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\text{minimize}} && \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \\ & \text{subject to} && \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\| \leq \sigma \end{aligned}$$

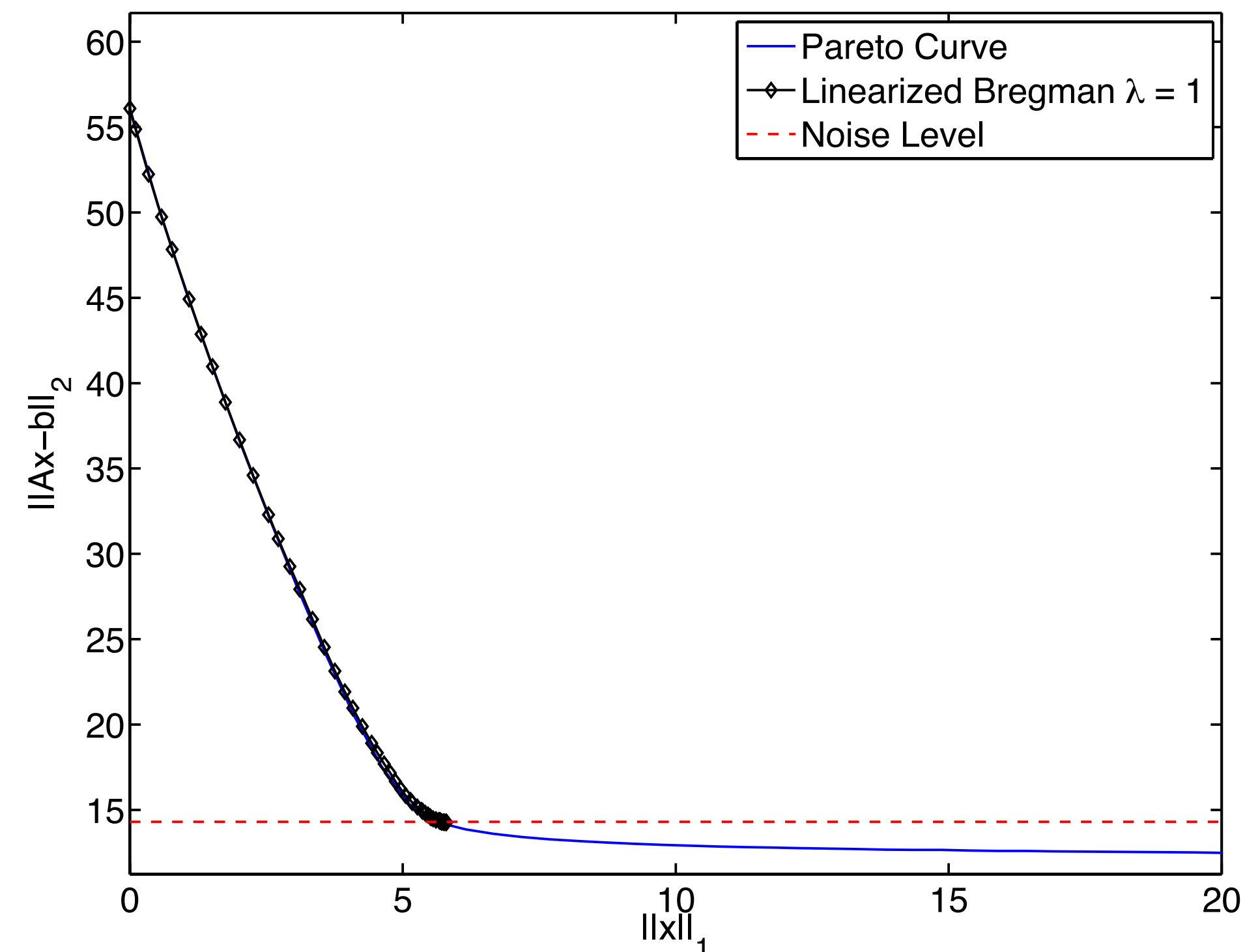
via projections onto norm balls

1. **for**  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
2.  $\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \mathbf{z}_k - t_k \mathbf{A}_{r(k)}^* \mathcal{P}_\sigma(\mathbf{A}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)})$
3.  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = S_\lambda(\mathbf{z}_{k+1})$
4. **end for**

\*where  $\mathcal{P}_\sigma(\mathbf{A}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)}) = \max\{0, 1 - \frac{\sigma}{\|\mathbf{A}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)}\|}\} \cdot (\mathbf{A}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)})$

## Linearized Bregman solution path

Converges (up to noise level), even when working on randomized subsets of data + without difficult strategies for  $\lambda$



## Least-squares migration

Switch to seismic notation:  $\delta \mathbf{d}_{ij} = \nabla \mathbf{F}_{ij}(\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{q}_{ij}) \delta \mathbf{m}$

Instead of applying  $\nabla \mathbf{F}^H$  (migration)

$$\delta \mathbf{m} = \sum_{ij} \nabla \mathbf{F}_{ij}^H(\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{q}_{ij}) \delta \mathbf{d}_{ij}$$

$\delta \mathbf{m}$  : Model perturbation

$\delta \mathbf{d}$  : data residual

$\nabla \mathbf{F}$  : Born modeling operator

$i, j$  : frequency, source index

➔ Solve least-squares problem w/ sparsity constraint (SPLSM)  
using linearized Bregman

# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

w/ randomized source subsets

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\text{minimize}} && \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{ij} \|\nabla \mathbf{F}_{ij}(\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{q}_{ij}) \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{x} - \delta \mathbf{d}_{ij}\| \leq \sigma \end{aligned}$$

By iterating

$\mathbf{C}$  : Curvelet transform

1. **for**  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
2.      $\Omega \in [1 \dots n_f], \Sigma \in [1 \dots n_s]$  for  $\#\Omega \ll n_f, \#\Sigma \ll n_s$
3.      $\mathbf{A}_k = \{\nabla \mathbf{F}_{ij}(\mathbf{m}_0, \bar{\mathbf{q}}_{ij}) \mathbf{C}^*\}_{i \in \Omega, j \in \Sigma}$  with  $\bar{\mathbf{q}}_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^{n_s} w_l \mathbf{q}_{i,l}$
4.      $\mathbf{b}_k = \{\delta \bar{\mathbf{d}}_{ij}\}_{i \in \Omega, j \in \Sigma}$  with  $\delta \bar{\mathbf{d}}_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^{n_s} w_l \delta \mathbf{d}_{i,l}$
5.      $\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \mathbf{z}_k - t_k \mathbf{A}_k^* \mathcal{P}_\sigma(\mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_k)$
5.      $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = S_\lambda(\mathbf{z}_{k+1})$
6. **end for**

# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

## experimental setup

### Data:

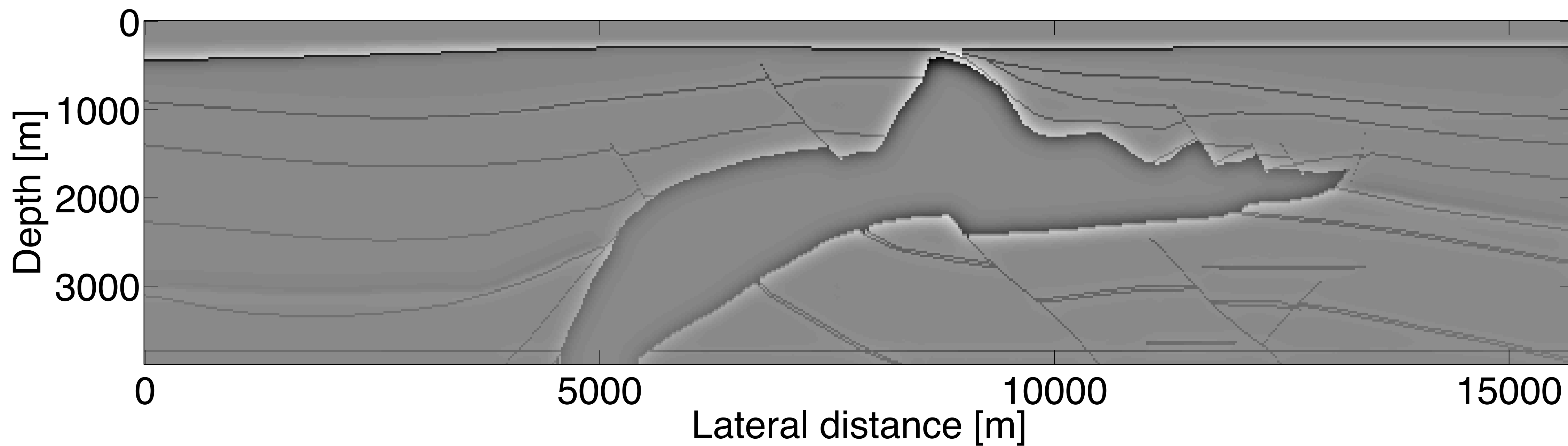
- 320 sources and receivers
- 72 frequency slices ranging from 3 – 12 Hz
- $\delta \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{m}) - \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{m}_0)$ , generated with separate modeling engine

### Experiments:

- one pass through the data with different batch/block sizes
- choose  $\lambda$  according to  $\max(t_1 \cdot \mathbf{A}_1^* \mathbf{b}_1)$  and number of iterations
- no source estimation – use correct source for linearized inversions

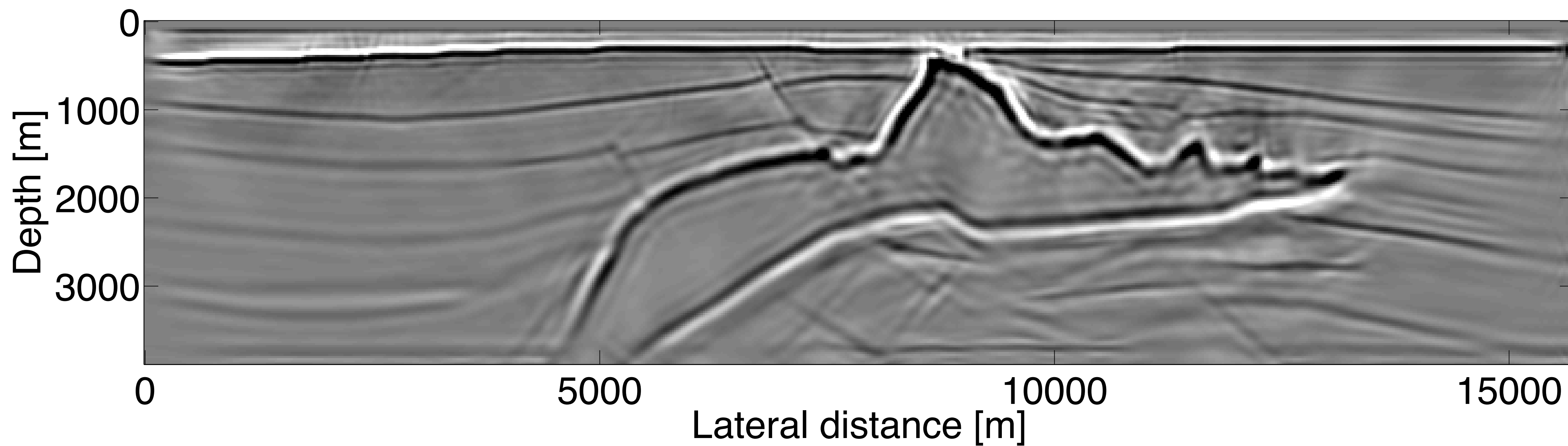
# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

True model perturbation



# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

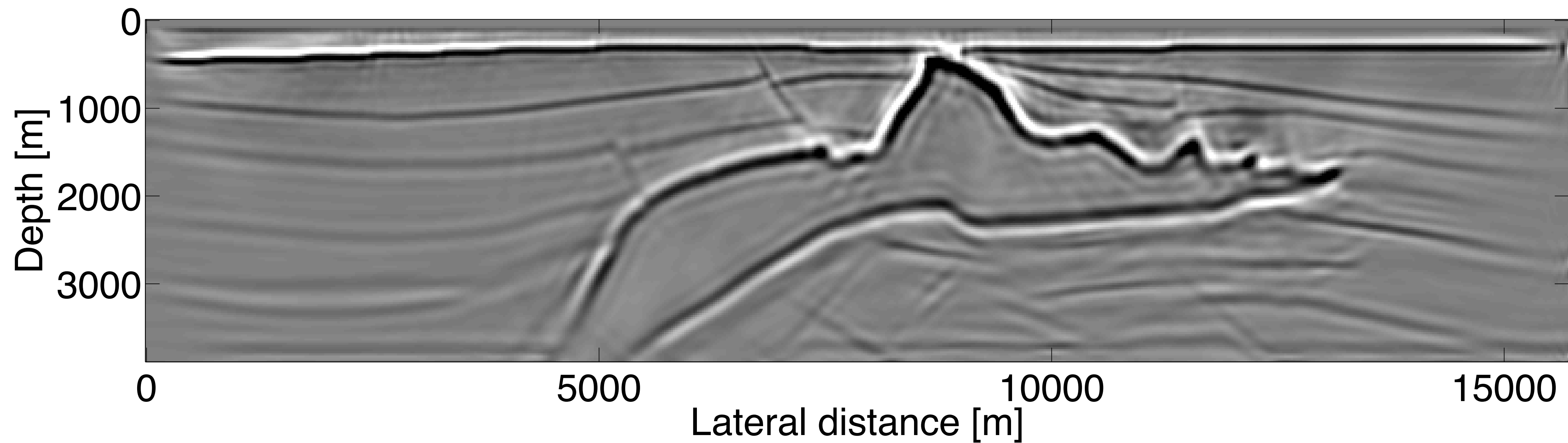
360 iterations, each w/ 8 frequencies/source experiments





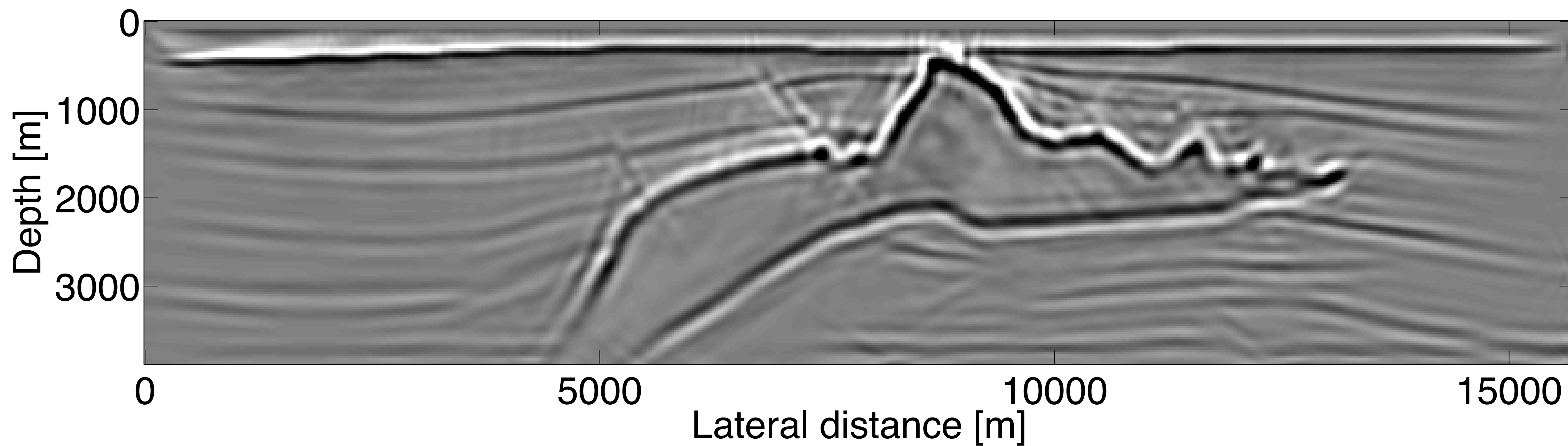
# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

90 iterations, each w/ 16 frequencies/source experiments



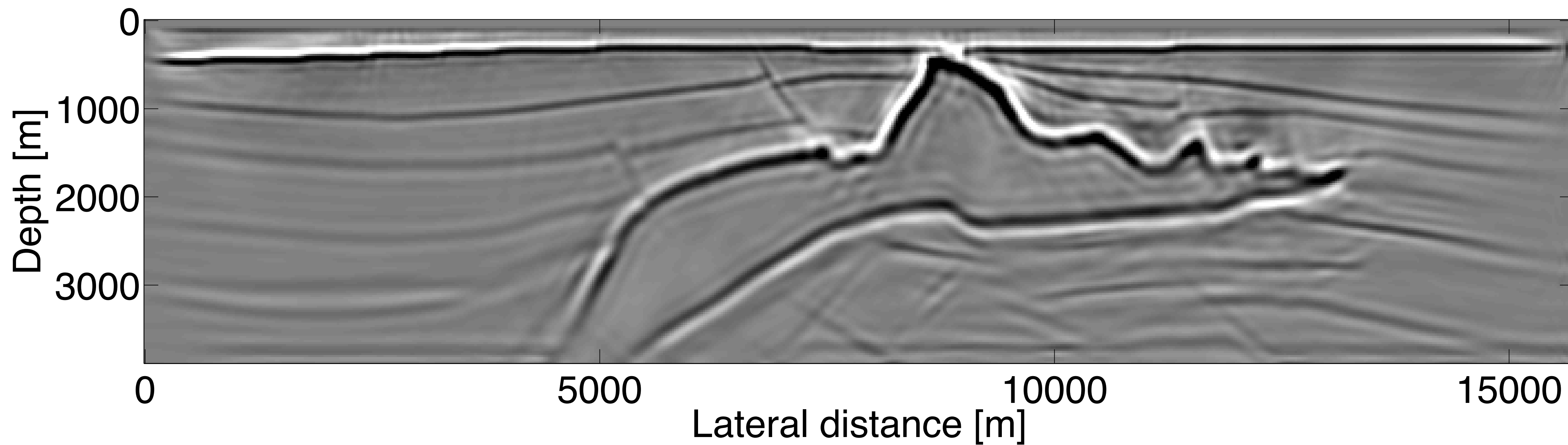
# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

23 iterations, each w/ 32 frequencies/source experiments



# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

90 iterations, each w/ 16 frequencies/source experiments



# Fast SPLSM w/ CS

w/ source estimation w/ variable projection

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\text{minimize}} && \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{ij} \|\nabla \mathbf{F}_{ij}(\mathbf{m}_0, \mathbf{q}_{ij}) \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{x} - \delta \mathbf{d}_{ij}\| \leq \sigma \end{aligned}$$

By iterating

1. for  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
2.  $\Omega \in [1 \dots n_f], \Sigma \in [1 \dots n_s]$  for  $\#\Omega \ll n_f, \#\Sigma \ll n_s$
3.  $\mathbf{A}_k = \{\nabla \mathbf{F}_{ij}(\mathbf{m}_0, \bar{\mathbf{q}}_{ij}) \mathbf{C}^*\}_{i \in \Omega, j \in \Sigma}$  with  $\bar{\mathbf{q}}_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^{n_s} w_l \mathbf{q}_{i,l}$
4.  $\mathbf{b}_k = \{\delta \bar{\mathbf{d}}_{ij}\}_{i \in \Omega, j \in \Sigma}$  with  $\delta \bar{\mathbf{d}}_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^{n_s} w_l \delta \mathbf{d}_{i,l}$
5.  $\bar{\mathbf{q}}_{ij} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{b}_k \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k \rangle}, \mathbf{A}_k = \{\nabla \mathbf{F}_{ij}(\mathbf{m}_0, \bar{\mathbf{q}}_{ij}) \mathbf{C}^*\}_{i \in \Omega, j \in \Sigma}$
6.  $\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \mathbf{z}_k - t_k \mathbf{A}_k^* \mathcal{P}_\sigma(\mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_k)$
7.  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = S_\lambda(\mathbf{z}_{k+1})$
8. end for

# Fast SPLSM w/ source estimation

## experimental setup

### Data:

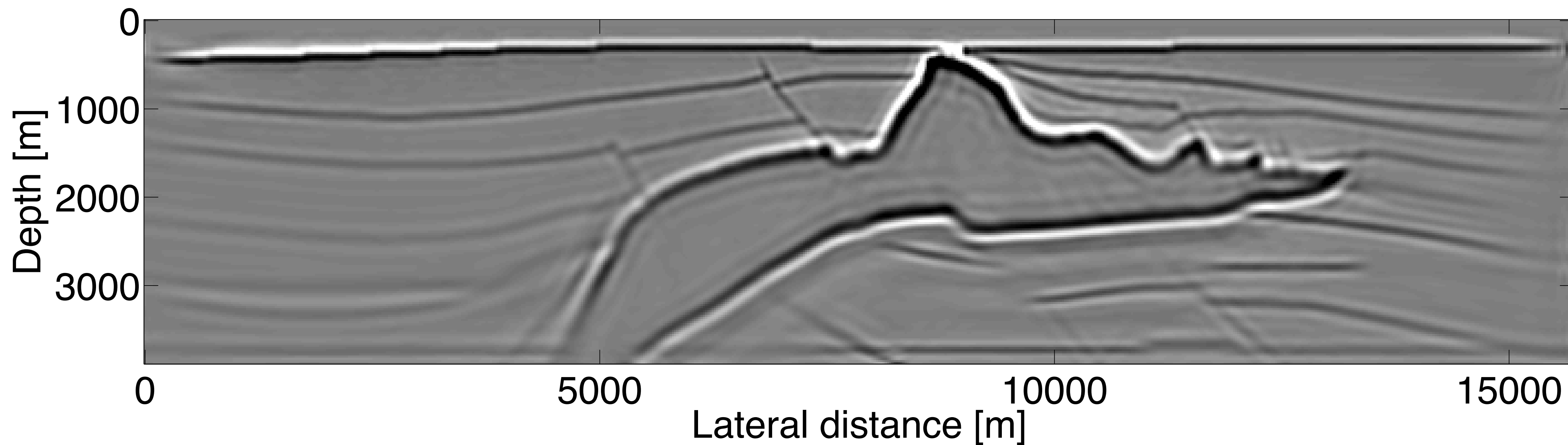
- 320 sources and receivers
- 72 frequency slices ranging from 3 - 12 Hz
- $\delta \mathbf{d} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_0)$  inverse crime data

### Experiments:

- one pass through the data with the same block size
- simultaneous sources
- choose  $\lambda$  according to  $\max(t_1 \cdot \mathbf{A}_1^* \mathbf{b}_1)$
- source estimation with delta Dirac as initial guess
- estimated source scaled w.r.t. true source

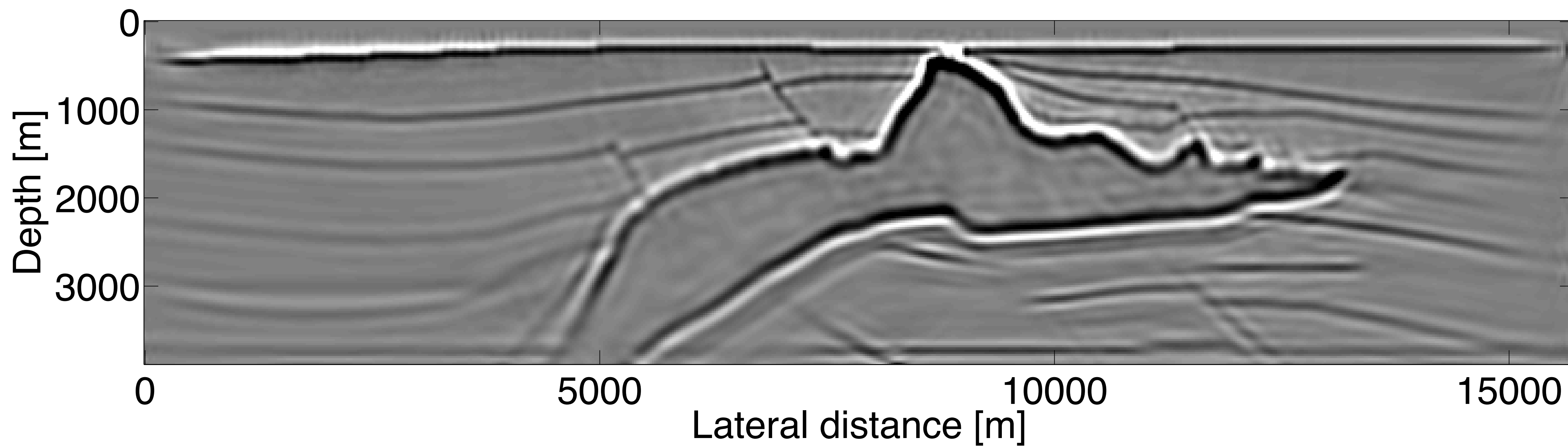
# Fast SPLSM w/ source estimation

80 iterations, each w/ 72 frequencies/4sim. shots & true source



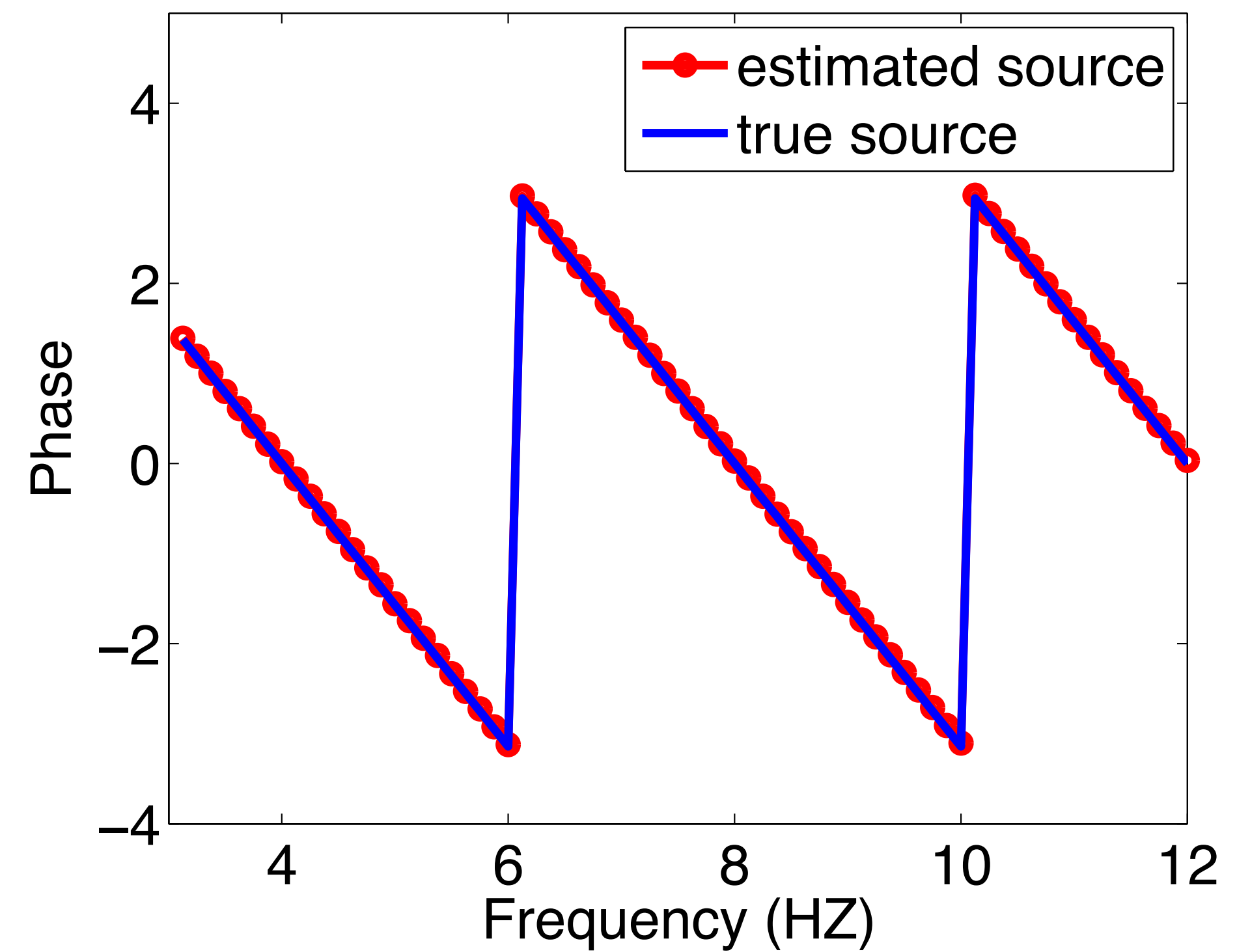
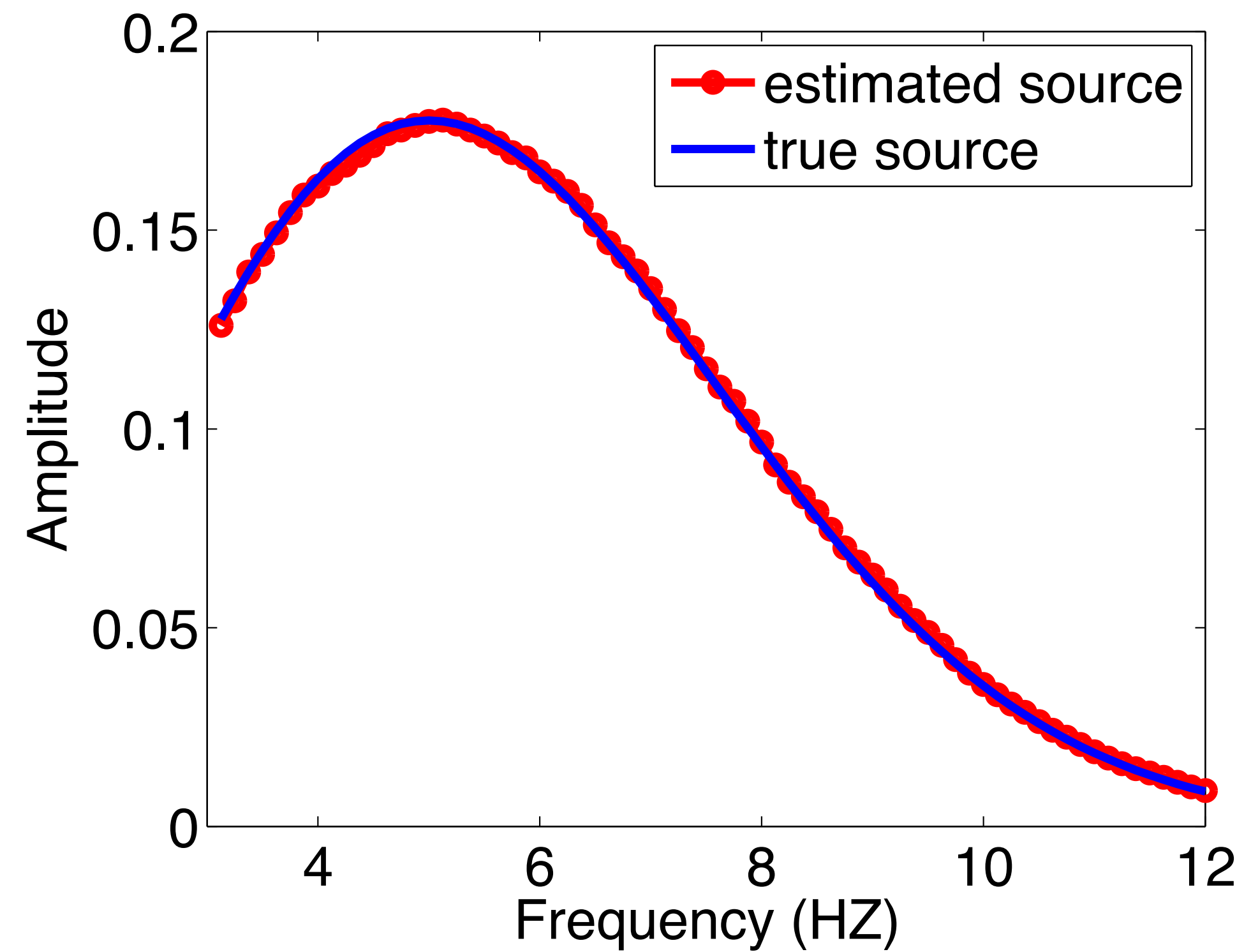
# Fast SPLSM w/ source estimation

estimated source



# Fast SPLSM w/ source estimation

– estimated source



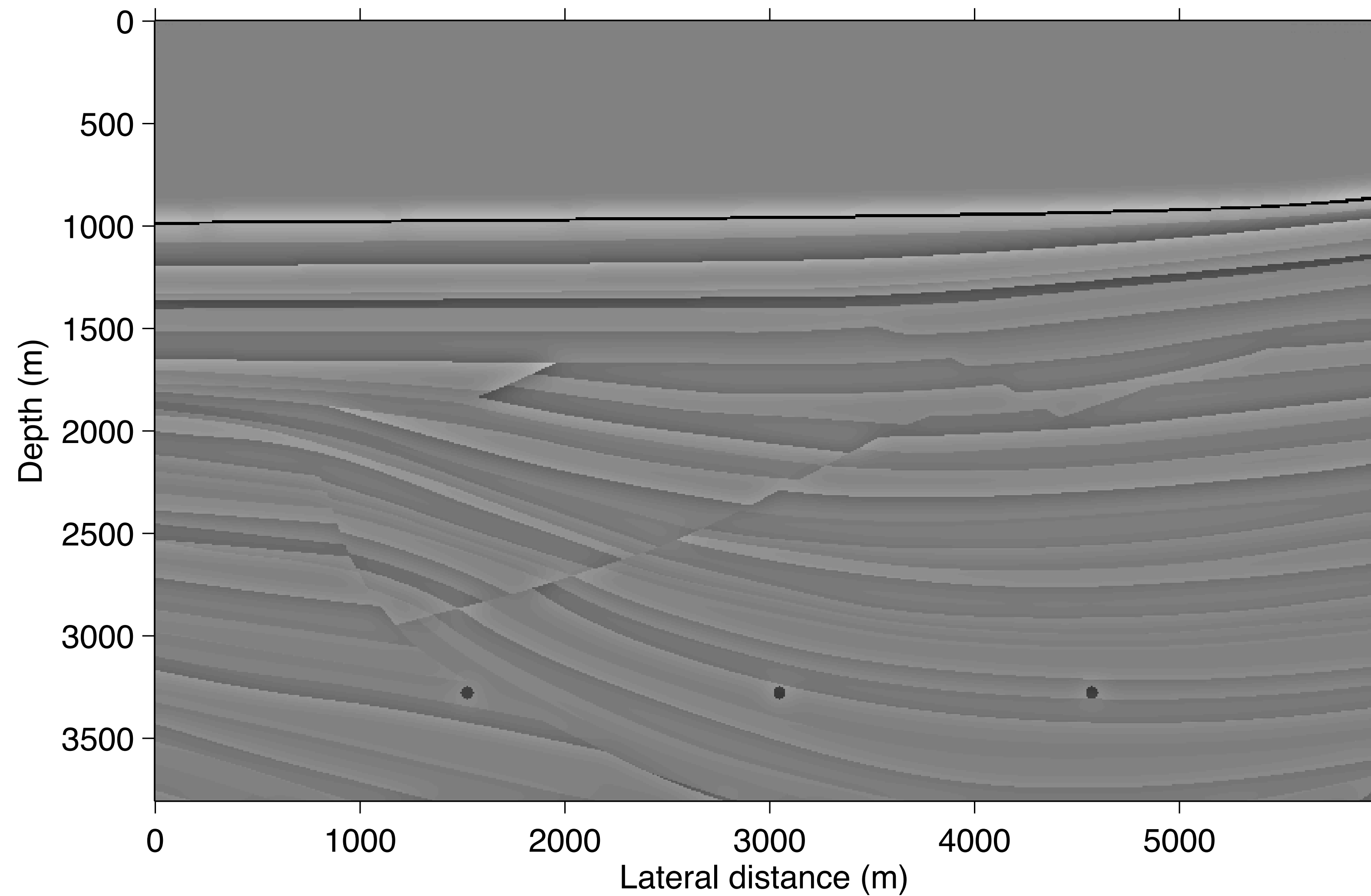


## Extension imaging w/ surface-related multiples

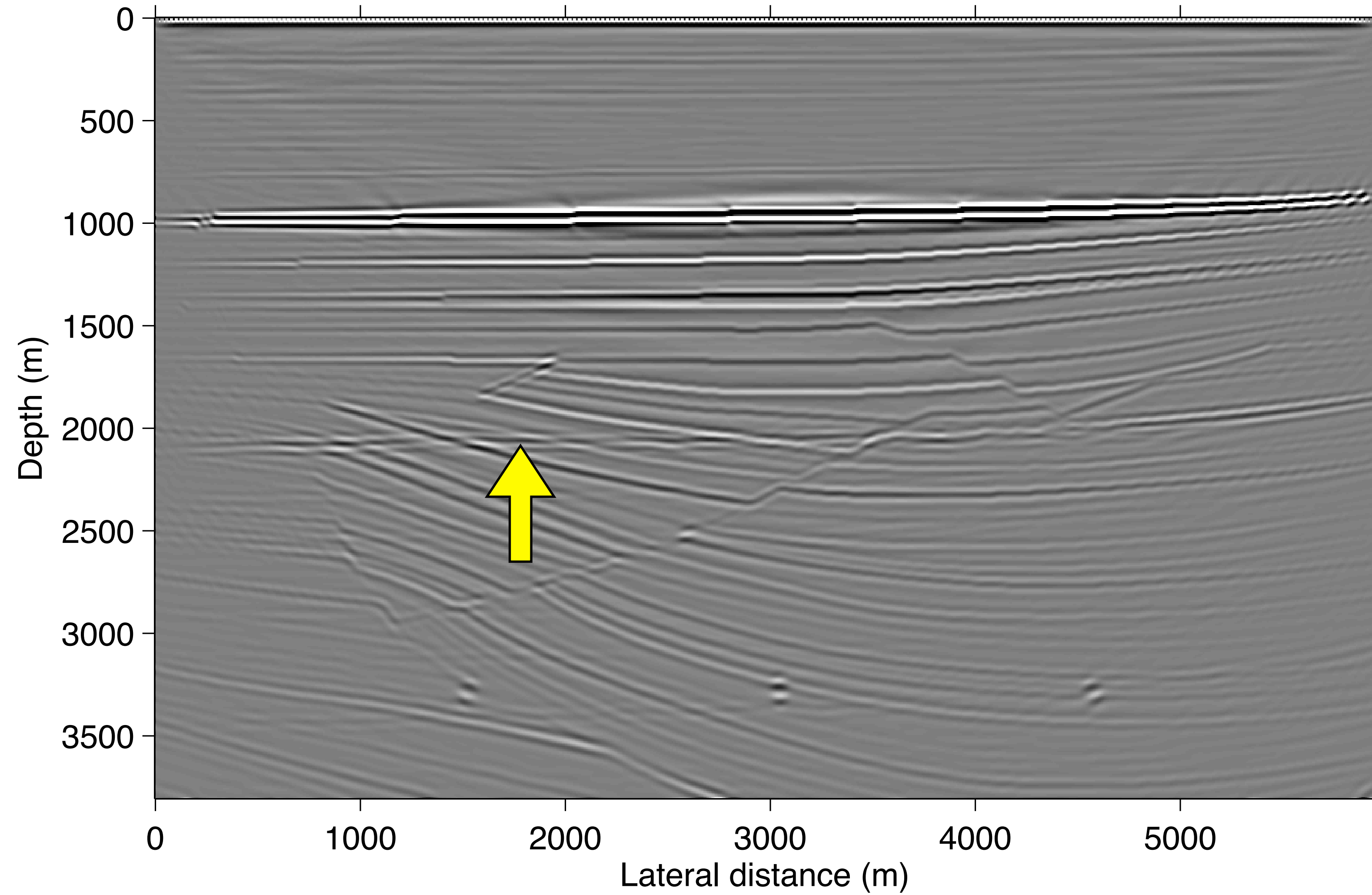
Incorporate predictor of surface-related multiples via areal sources

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \doteq \sum_{i \in \Omega} \sum_{j \in \Sigma} \|\delta \bar{\mathbf{d}}_{i,j} - \nabla \mathbf{F}[\mathbf{m}_0, s_i \bar{\mathbf{q}}_j - \delta \bar{\mathbf{d}}_{i,j}] \mathbf{C}^* \mathbf{x}\|_2^2$$

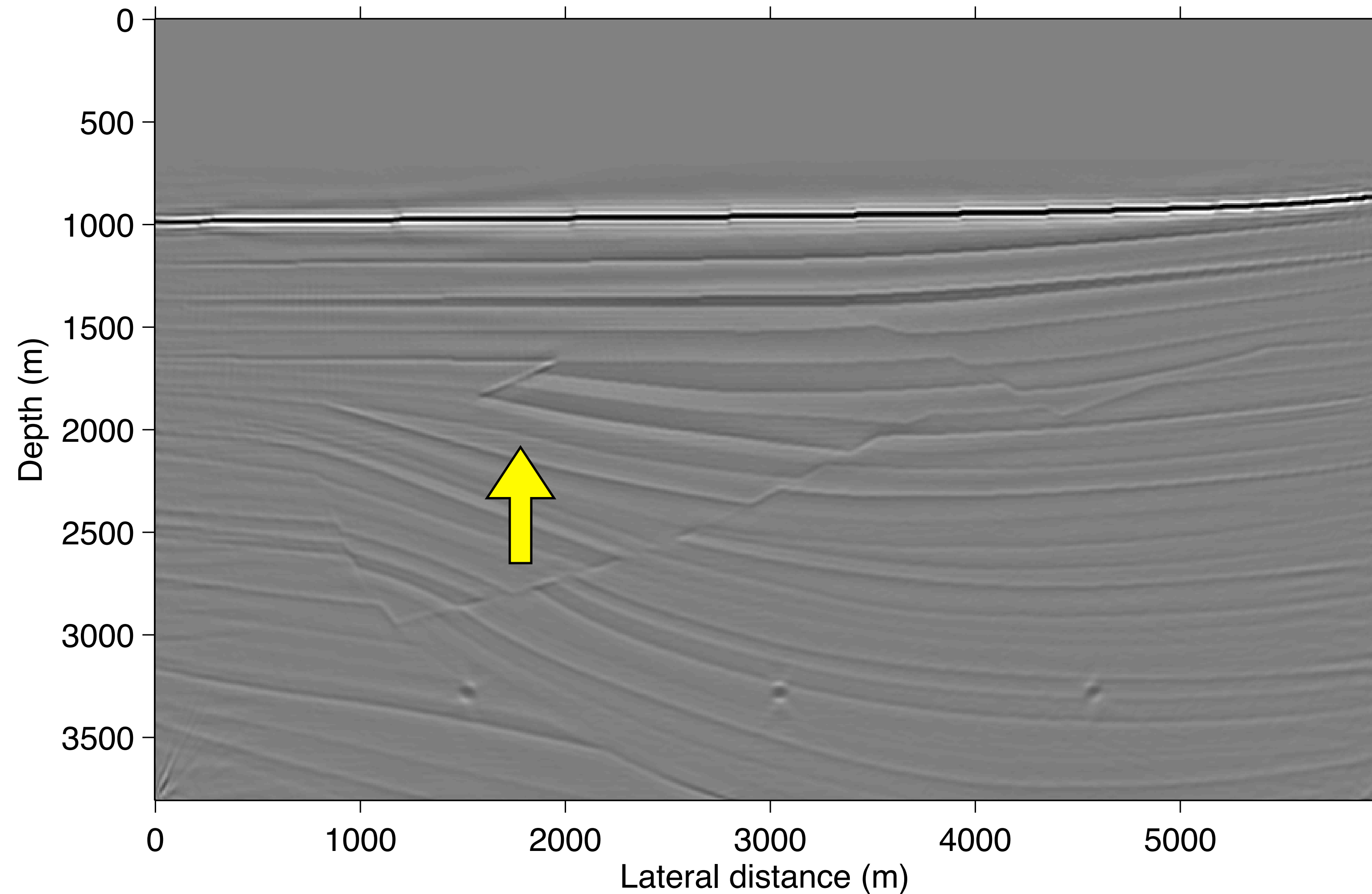
# True image



# RTM w/ multiples

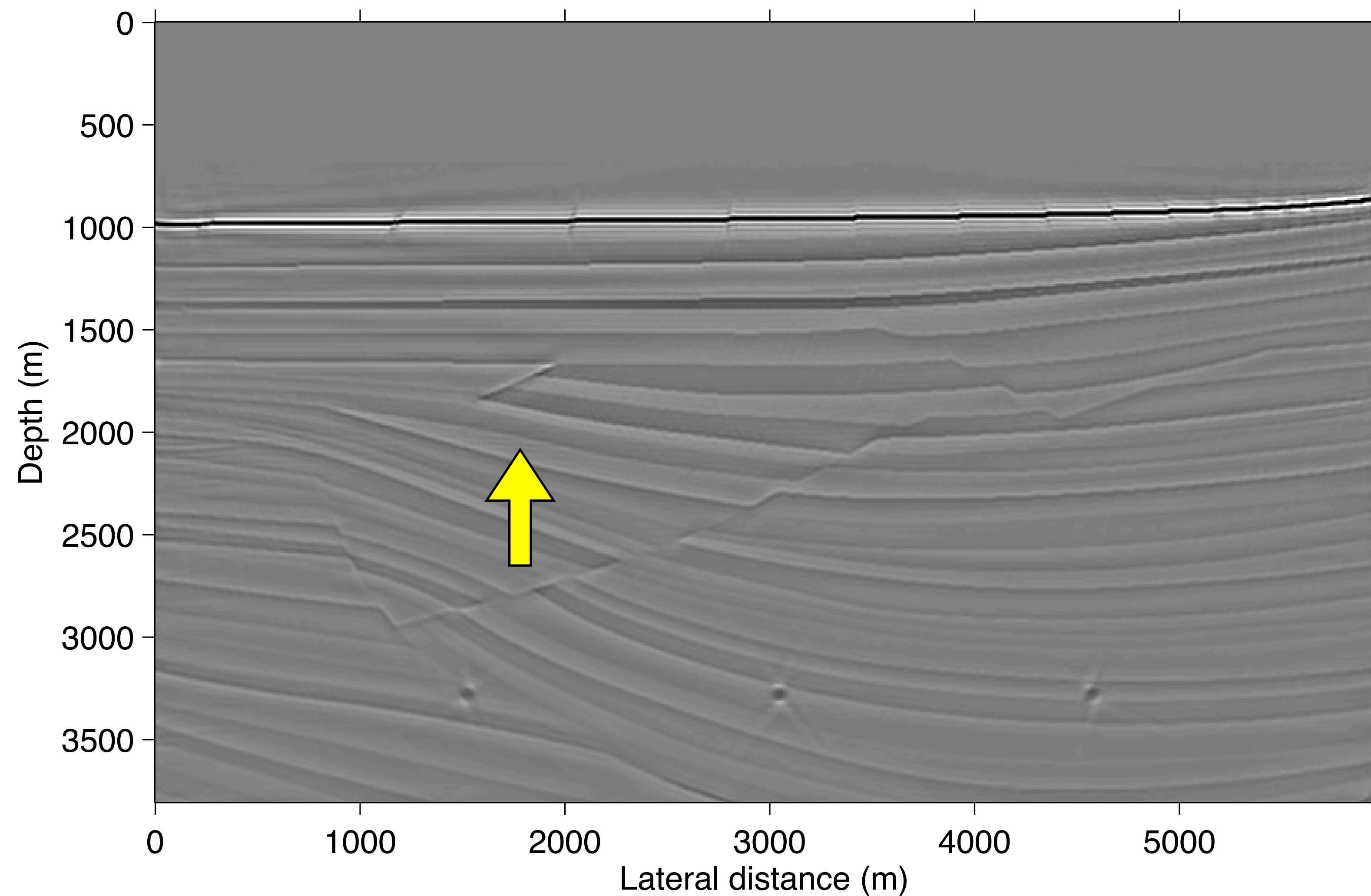


# Fast SPLSM w/ multiples by **SPGI1**



Simulation cost **~1 RTM** using all the data

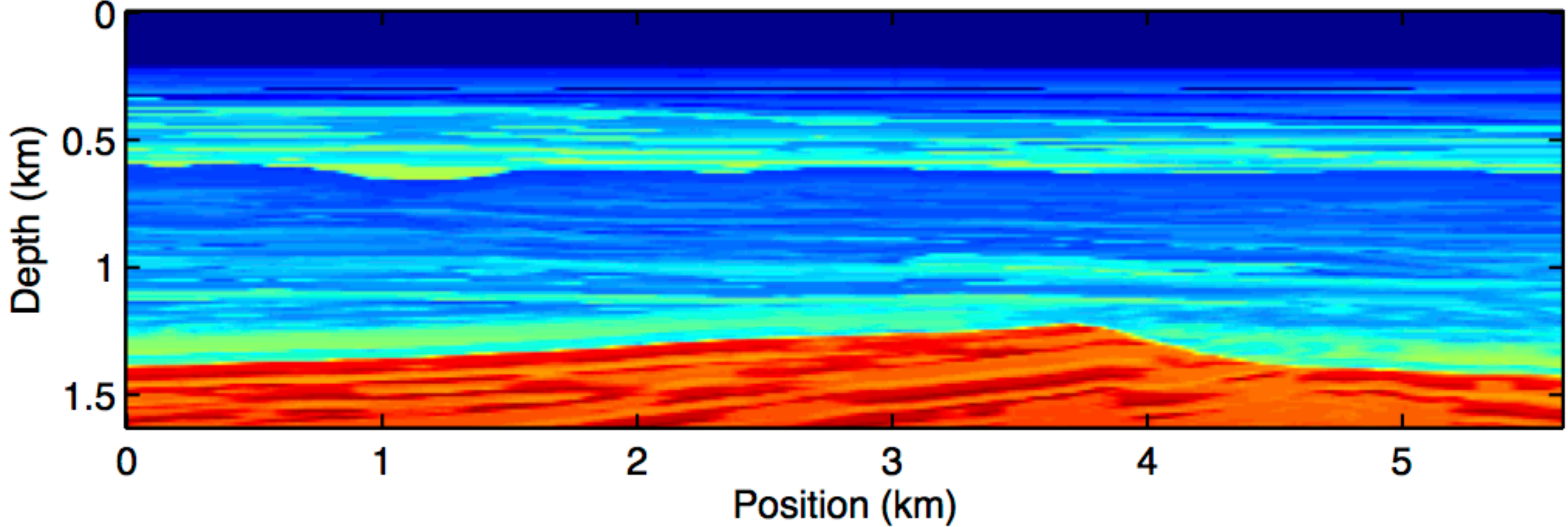
# Fast SPLSM w/ multiples by **RISKA**



Simulation cost **~1 RTM** using all the data

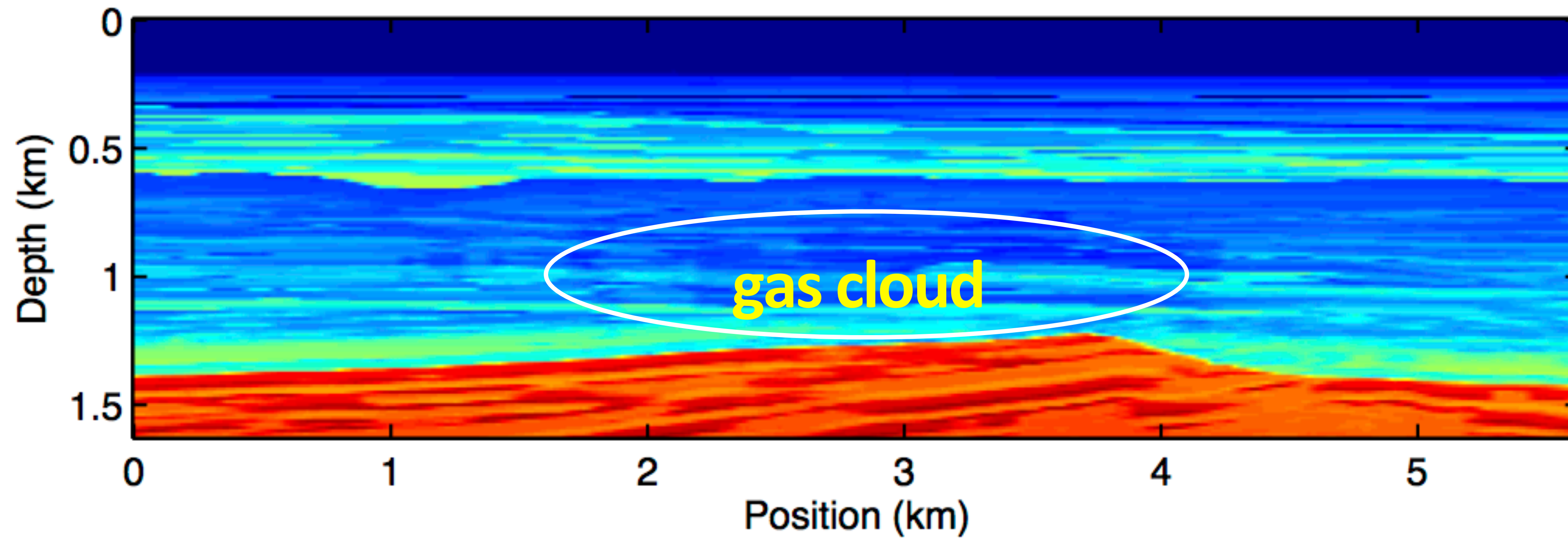
# Time-lapse seismic

Baseline

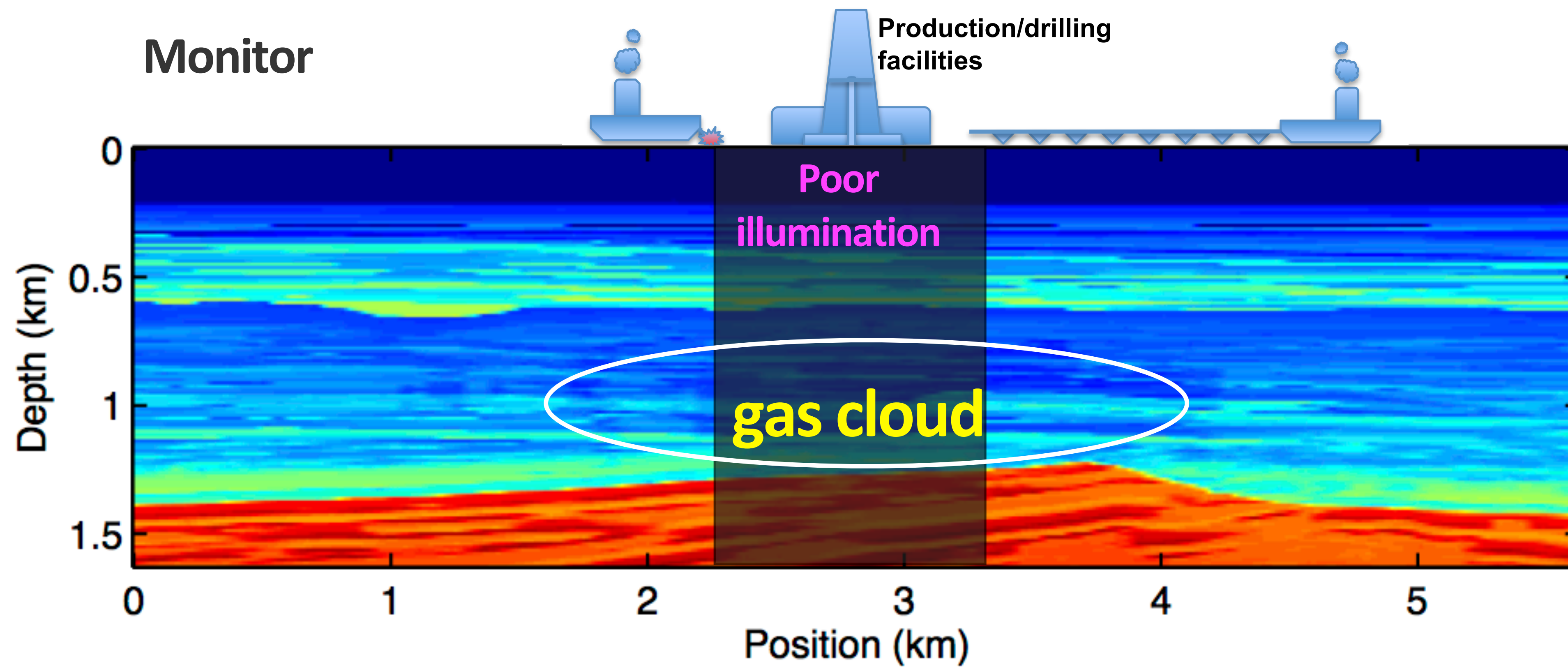


# Time-lapse seismic

## Monitor



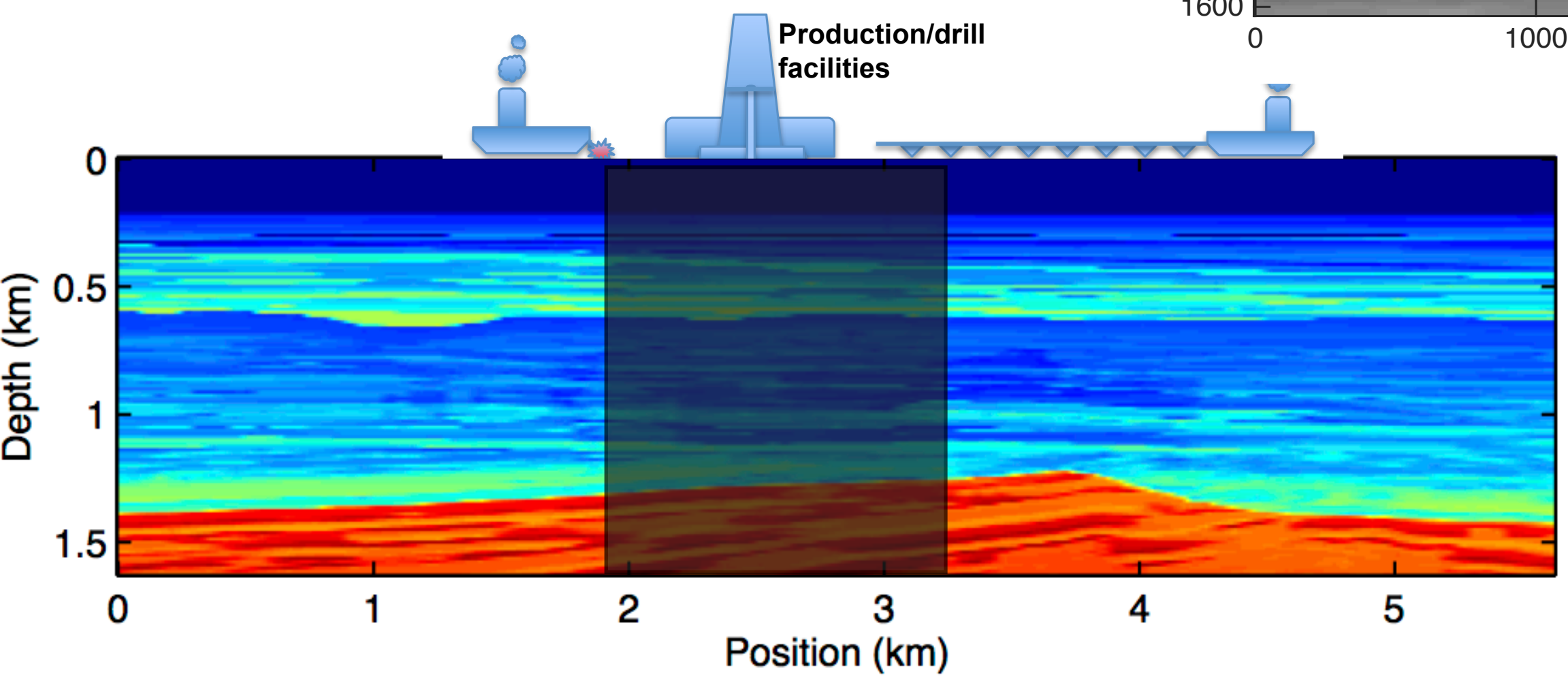
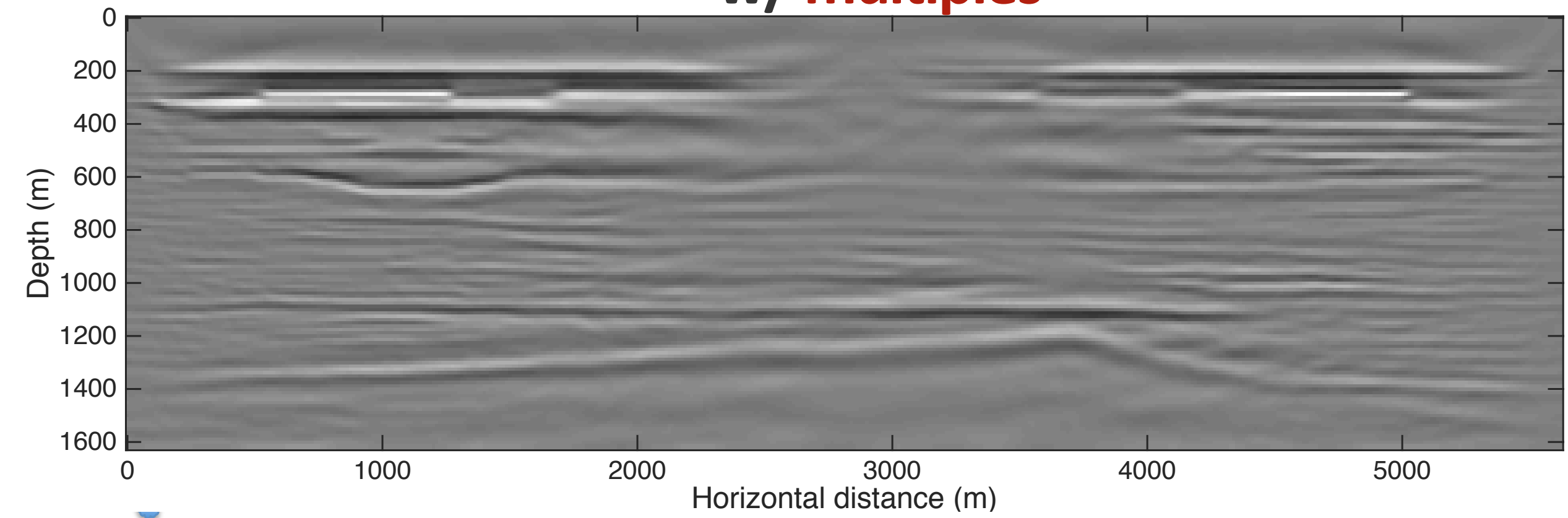
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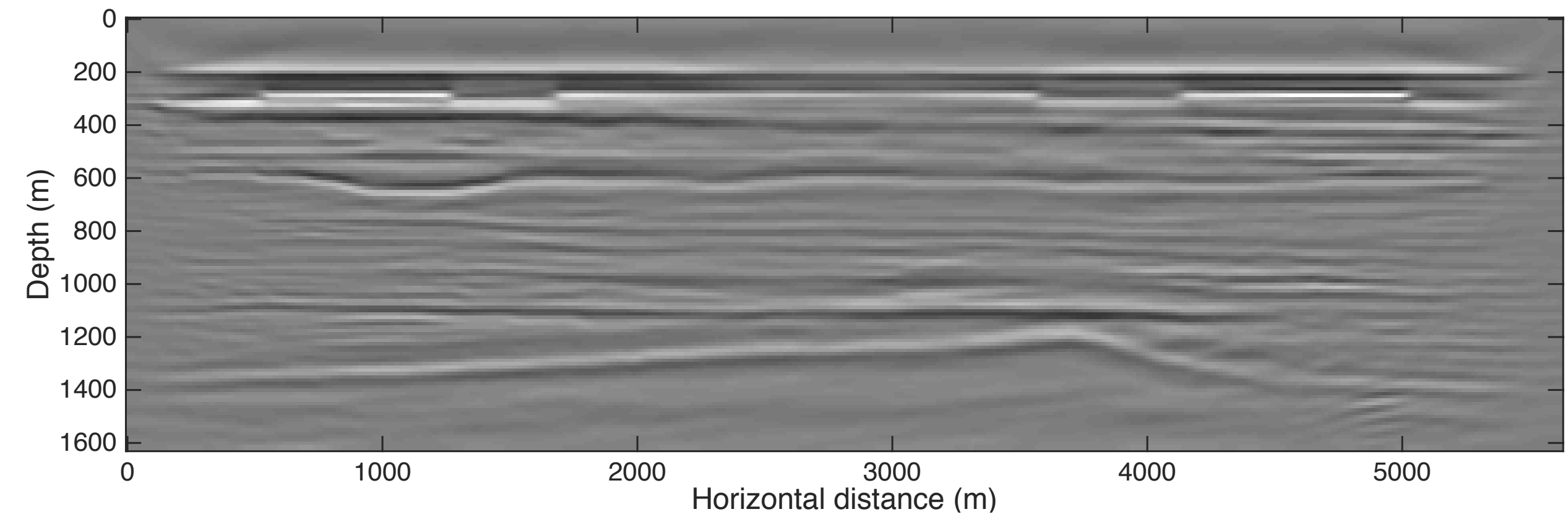


# Large monitor acquisition gap

Sparsity-promoting migration  
w/ multiples



Joint sparsity-promoting migration  
w/ multiples



# Time-stepping LSRTM with Sparsity Promotion

## Example w/o source estimation

### Data:

- 320 sources (25 m spacing), 800 receivers (10 m spacing), OBN
- 4 s recording time
- 30 Hz peak frequency

### LSRTM:

- 40 iterations /w 8 random shots per iteration  
(1 data pass, 640 PDE solves)

## Sparsity promoting LSRTM

- Problem formulation

$$\text{minimize } \lambda \|\mathbf{C}\delta\mathbf{m}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{C}\delta\mathbf{m}\|_2^2$$

$$\text{subject to } \|\mathbf{J}\delta\mathbf{m} - \delta\mathbf{d}\|_2 \leq \sigma$$

$\delta\mathbf{m}$ : model perturbation/image

$\delta\mathbf{d}$ : linearized data (single scattered data)

$\mathbf{J}$ : linearized forward modeling operator (Jacobian)

$\mathbf{C}$ : curvelet transform

## Sparsity promoting LSRTM

- Problem formulation

$$\text{minimize } \lambda \|\mathbf{C}\delta\mathbf{m}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{C}\delta\mathbf{m}\|_2^2$$

$$\text{subject to } \|\mathbf{J}\delta\mathbf{m} - \delta\mathbf{d}\|_2 \leq \sigma$$

- Preconditioning

$$\delta\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{M}_R^{-1} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_L^{-1} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{M}_R^{-1} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{M}_L^{-1} \delta\mathbf{d}$$

## Preconditioning

- Left-hand preconditioning (data space)

$$\mathbf{M}_L^{-1} = \mathbf{T}_d \mathbf{F} \quad \mathbf{T}_d : \text{Topmute}$$

$$\mathbf{F} : \text{Fractional integration } \partial_{|t|}^{-1/2}$$

- Right-hand preconditioning (model space)

$$\mathbf{M}_R^{-1} = \mathbf{T}_m \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{T}_m : \text{Topmute}$$

$$\mathbf{A} : \text{Depth scaling}$$

# Linearized Bregman

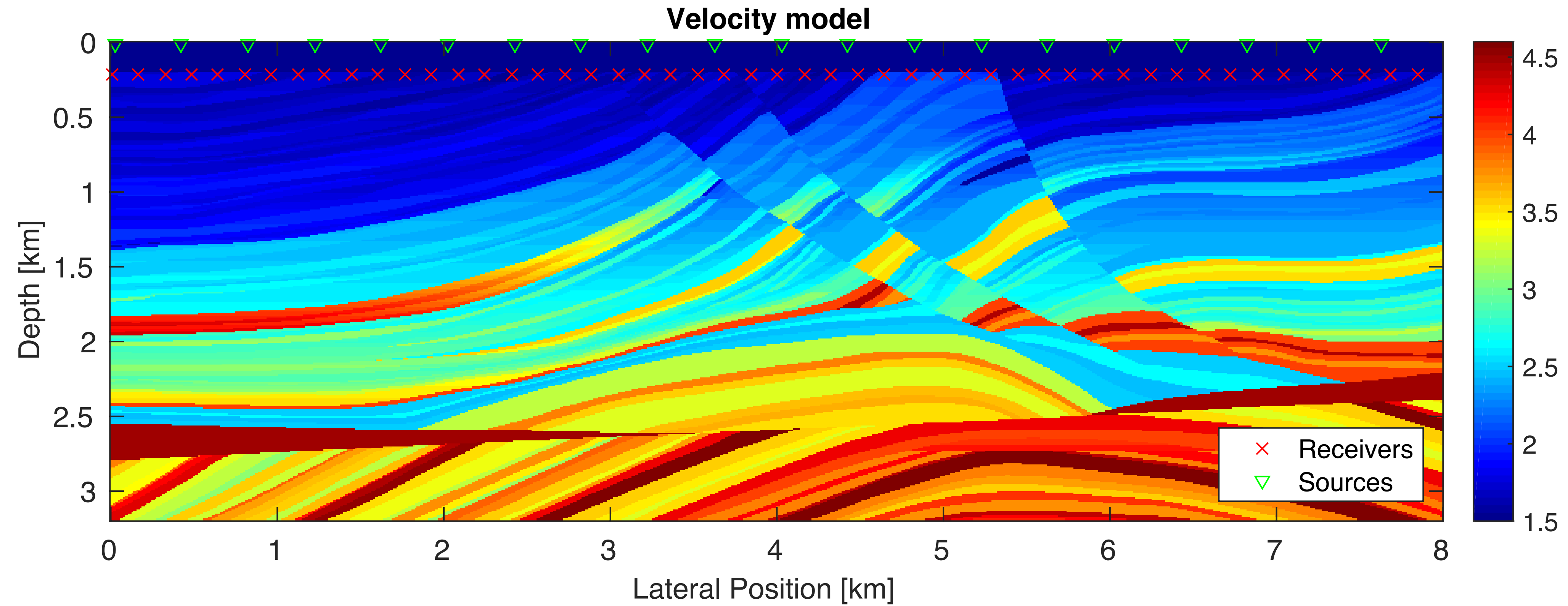
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} \quad \lambda \|\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \left\| \underbrace{\mathbf{M}_L^{-1} \mathbf{J} \mathbf{M}_R^{-1}}_{\hat{\mathbf{J}}} \mathbf{x} - \underbrace{\mathbf{M}_L^{-1} \delta \mathbf{d}}_{\mathbf{b}} \right\|_2 \leq \sigma \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm:

1. **for**  $k = 0, 1, \dots$
2.  $\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \mathbf{z}_k - t_k \hat{\mathbf{J}}_{r(k)}^* (\hat{\mathbf{J}}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)}) \cdot \max(0, 1 - \frac{\sigma}{\|\hat{\mathbf{J}}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)}\|_2})$
3.  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{C}^* S_\lambda(\mathbf{C} \mathbf{z}_{k+1})$
4. **end for**

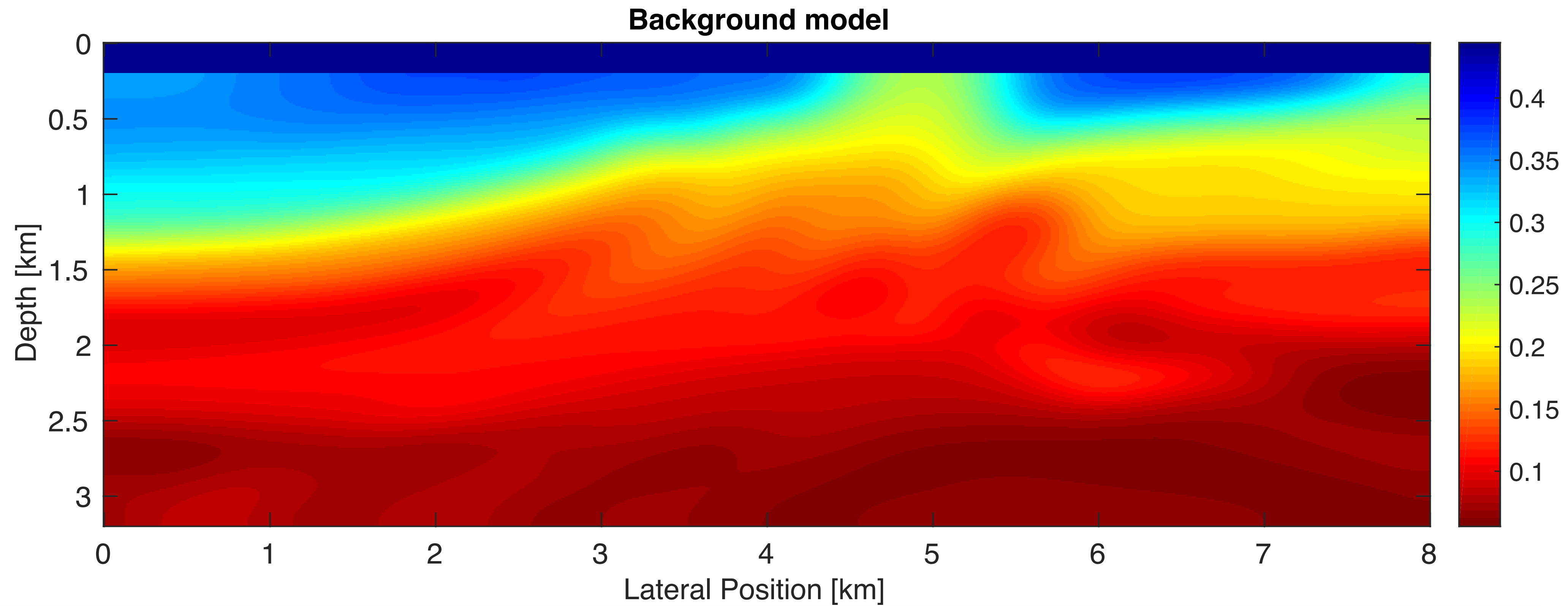
$$S_\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \max(0, \|\mathbf{x}\| - \lambda) \cdot \text{sign}(\mathbf{x}) \quad t_k = \frac{\|\hat{\mathbf{J}}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)}\|_2^2}{\|\hat{\mathbf{J}}_{r(k)}^* (\hat{\mathbf{J}}_{r(k)} \mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{b}_{r(k)})\|_2^2}$$

# Velocity model & perturbation

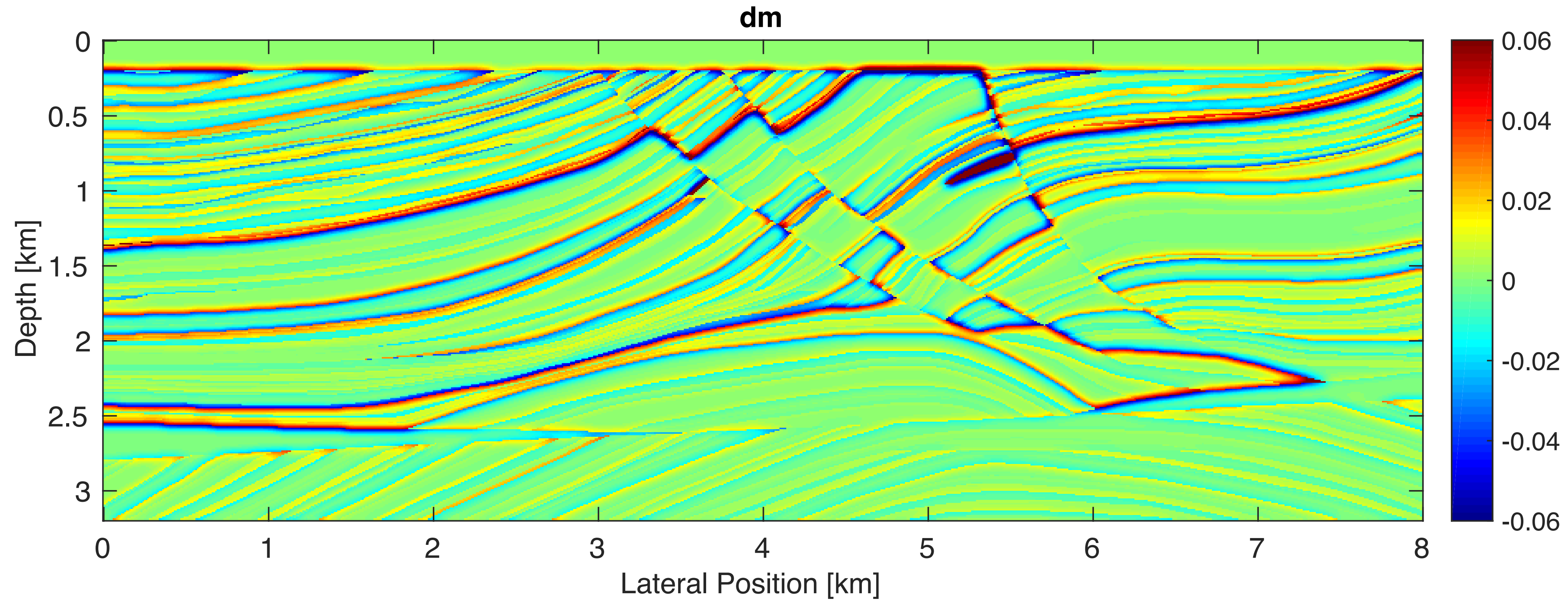




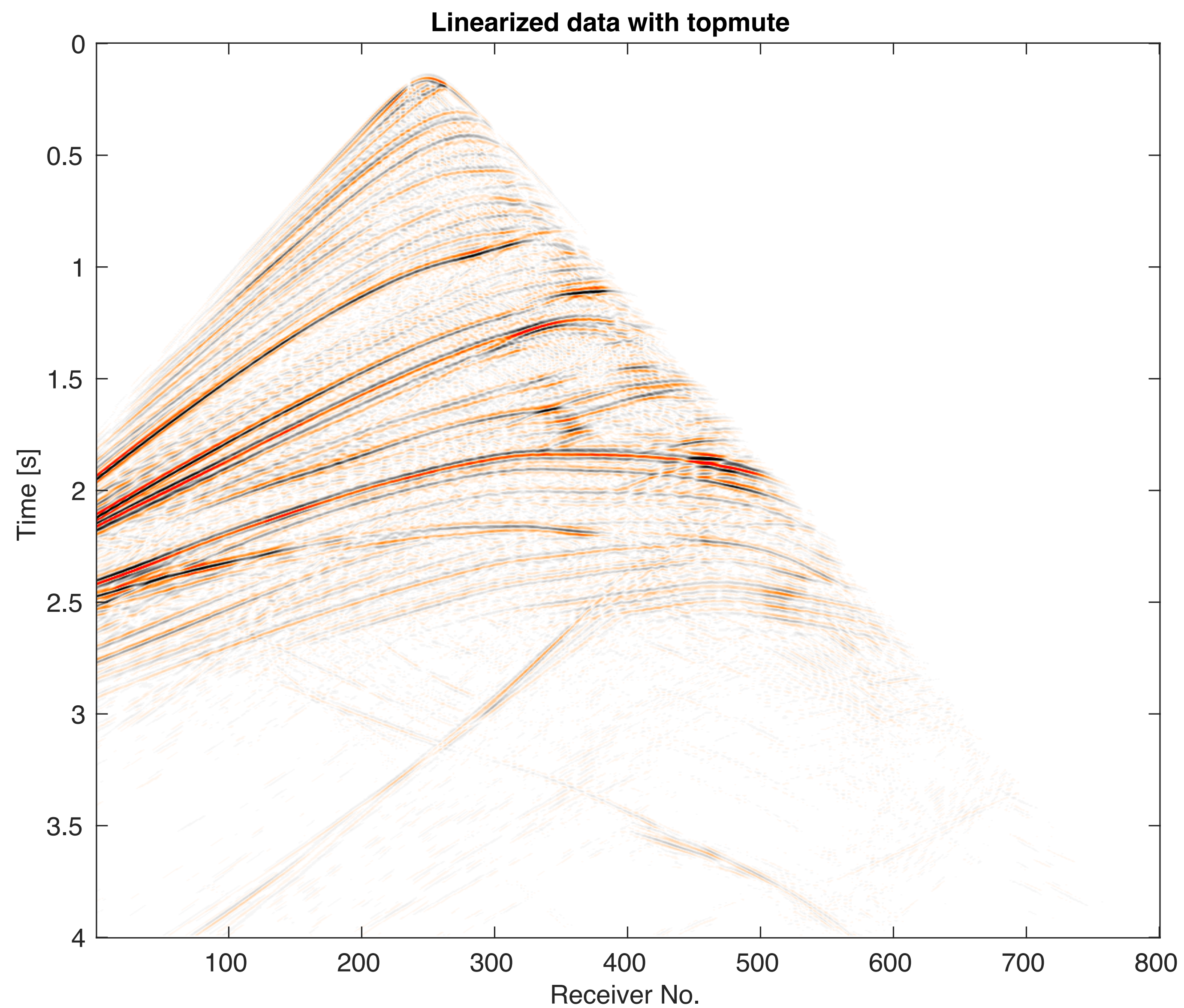
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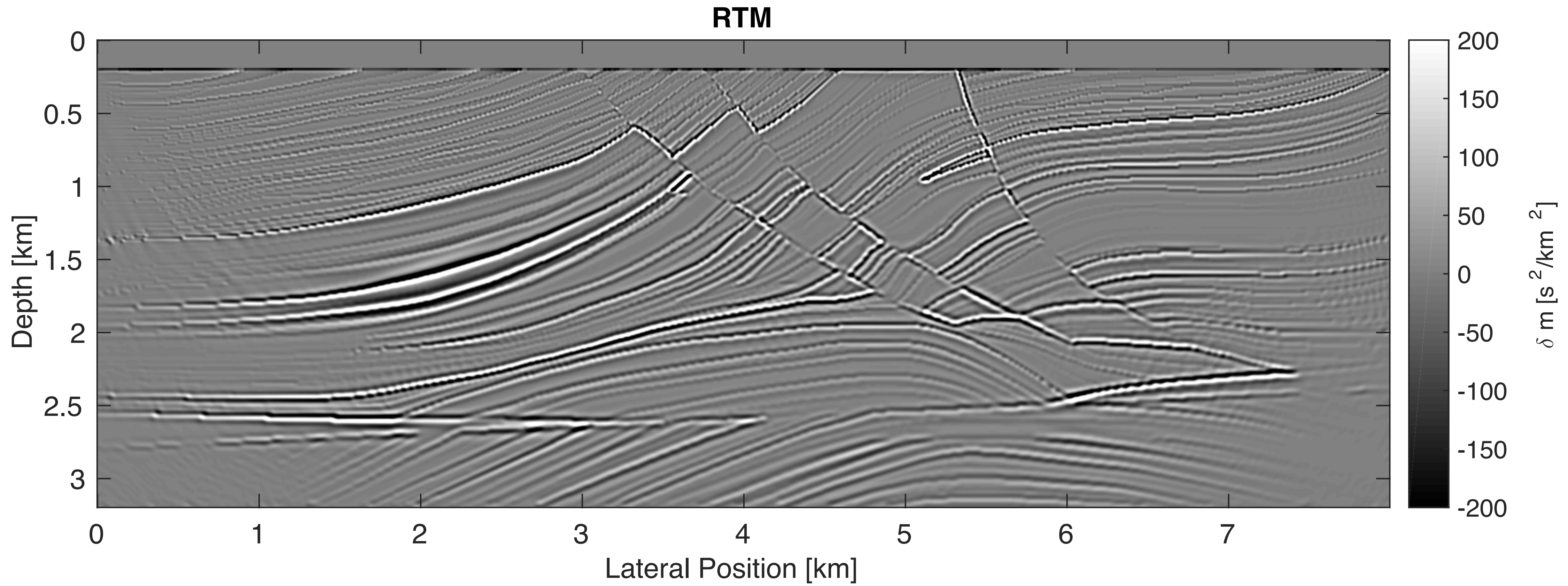
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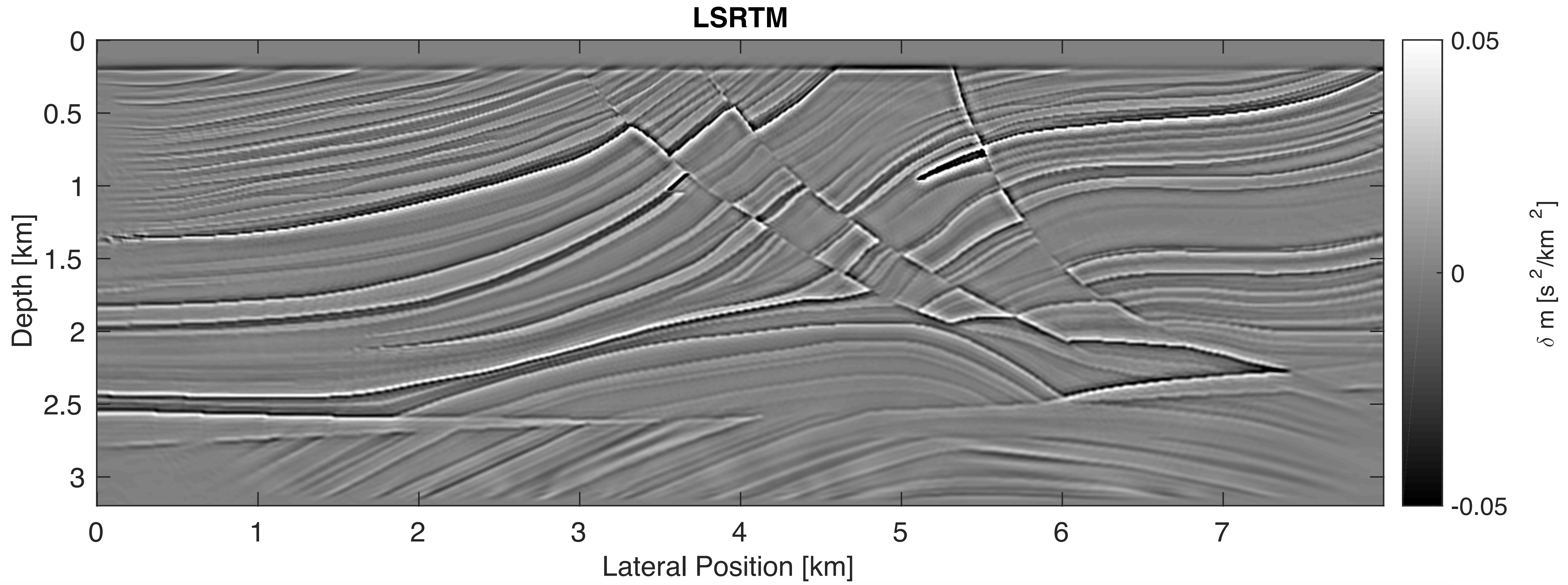
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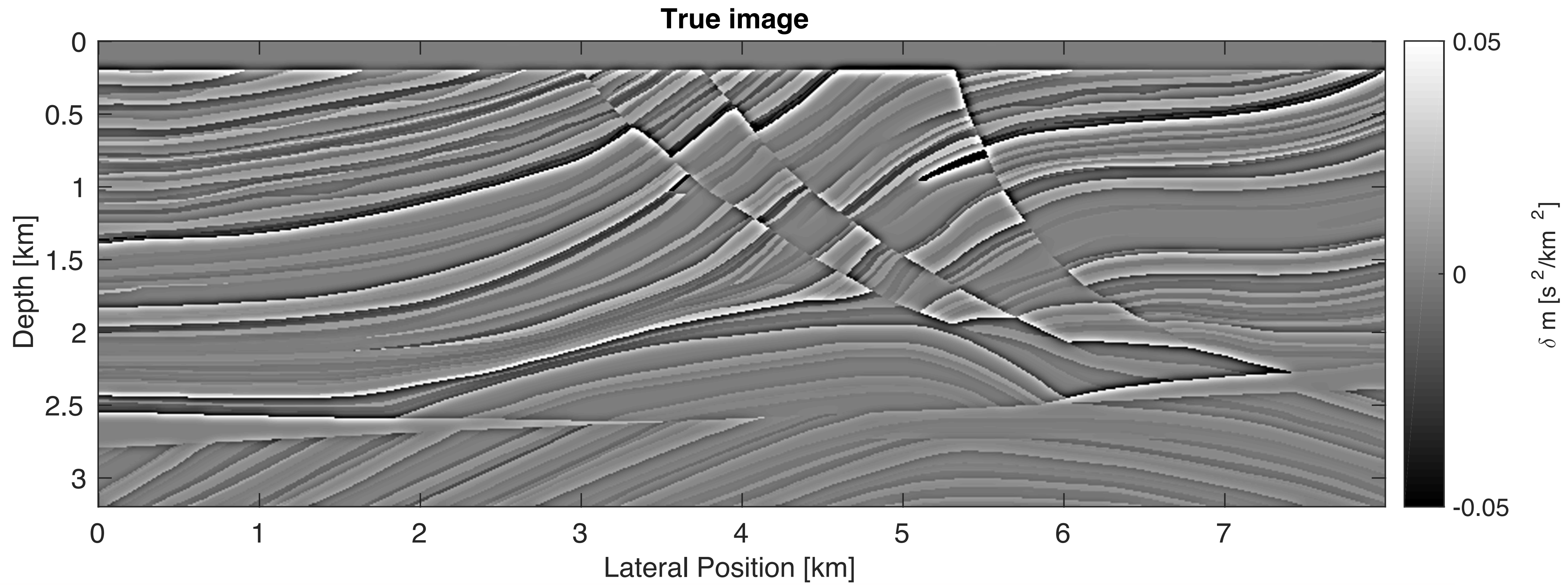
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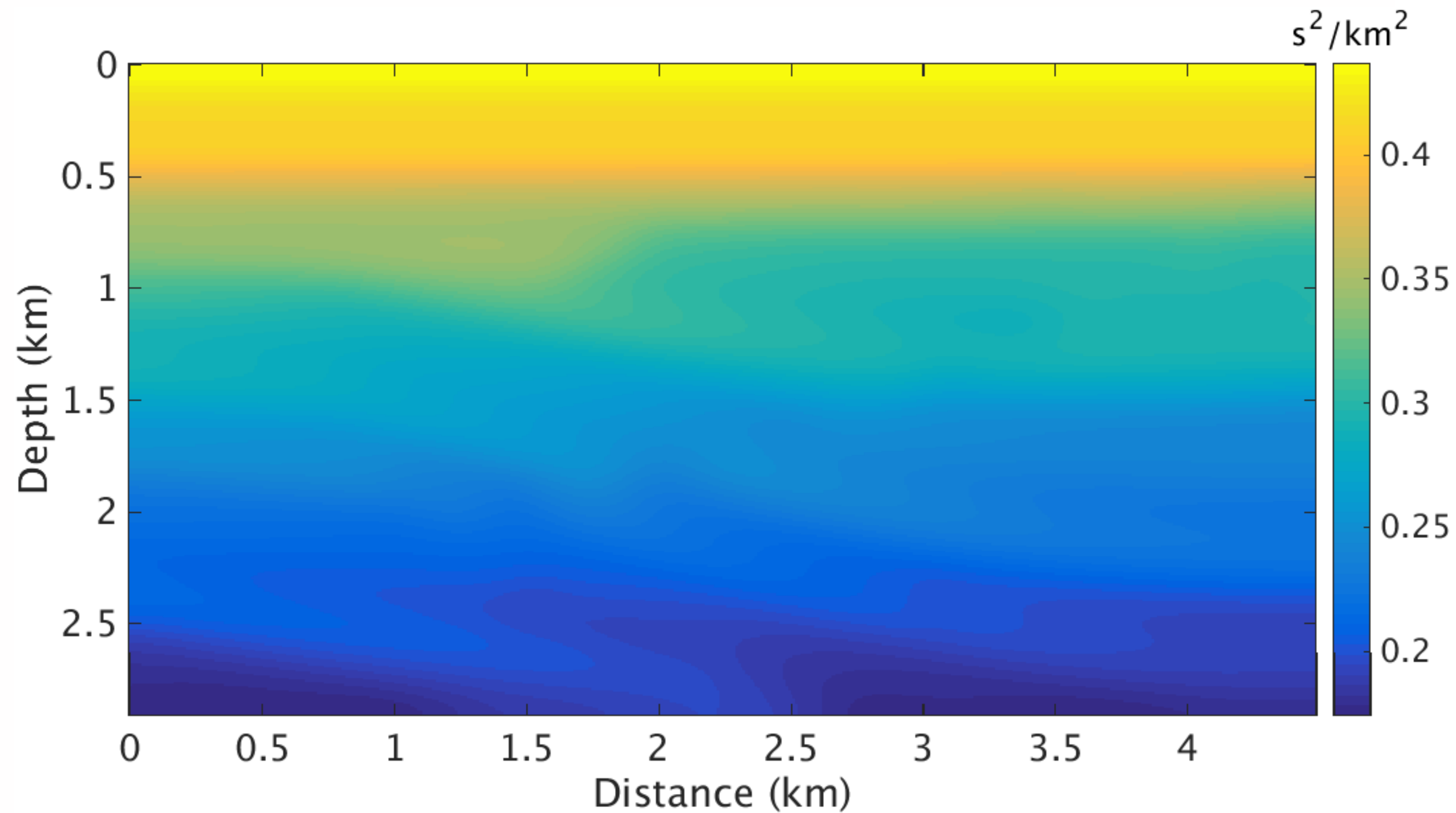
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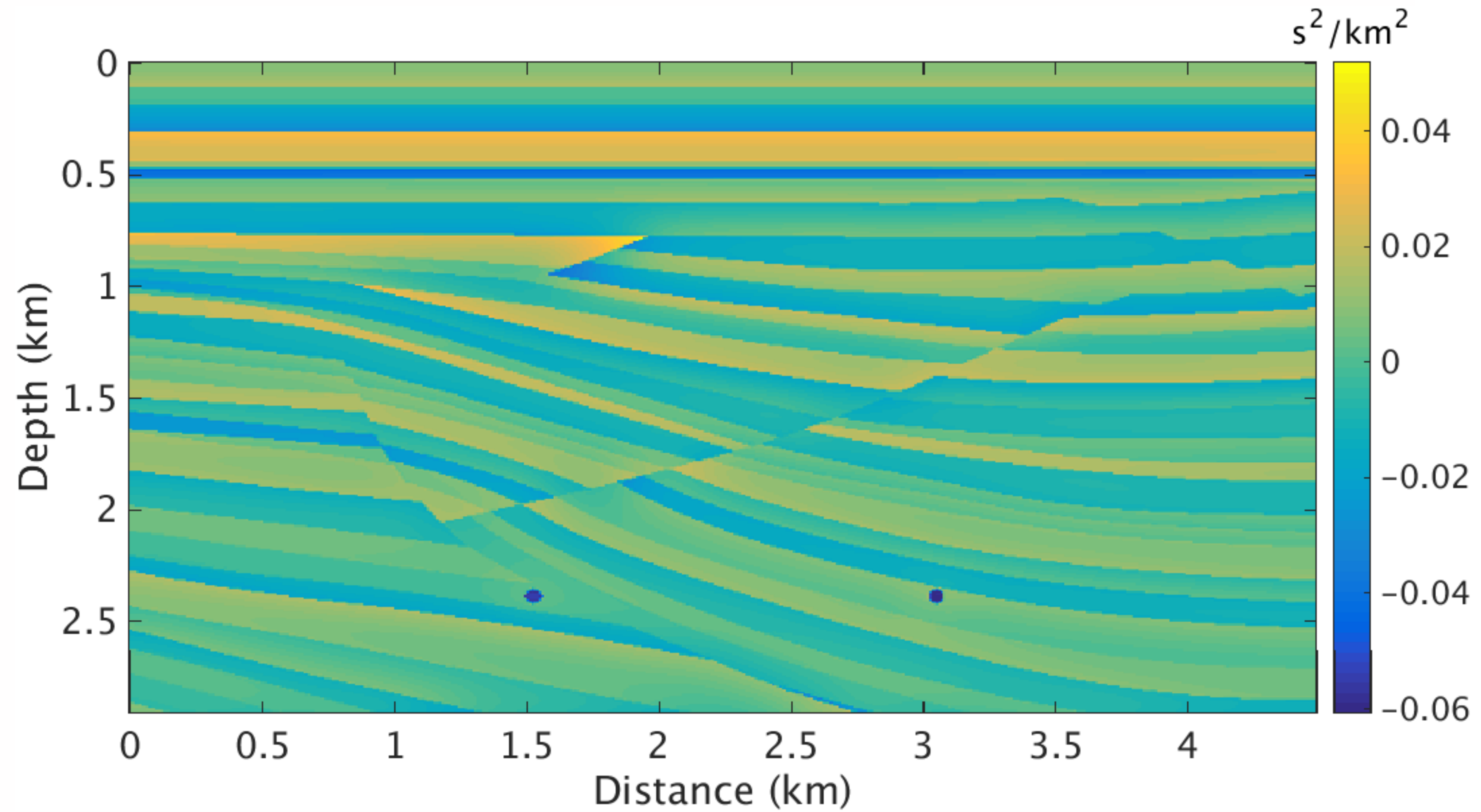
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# Source estimation – background model

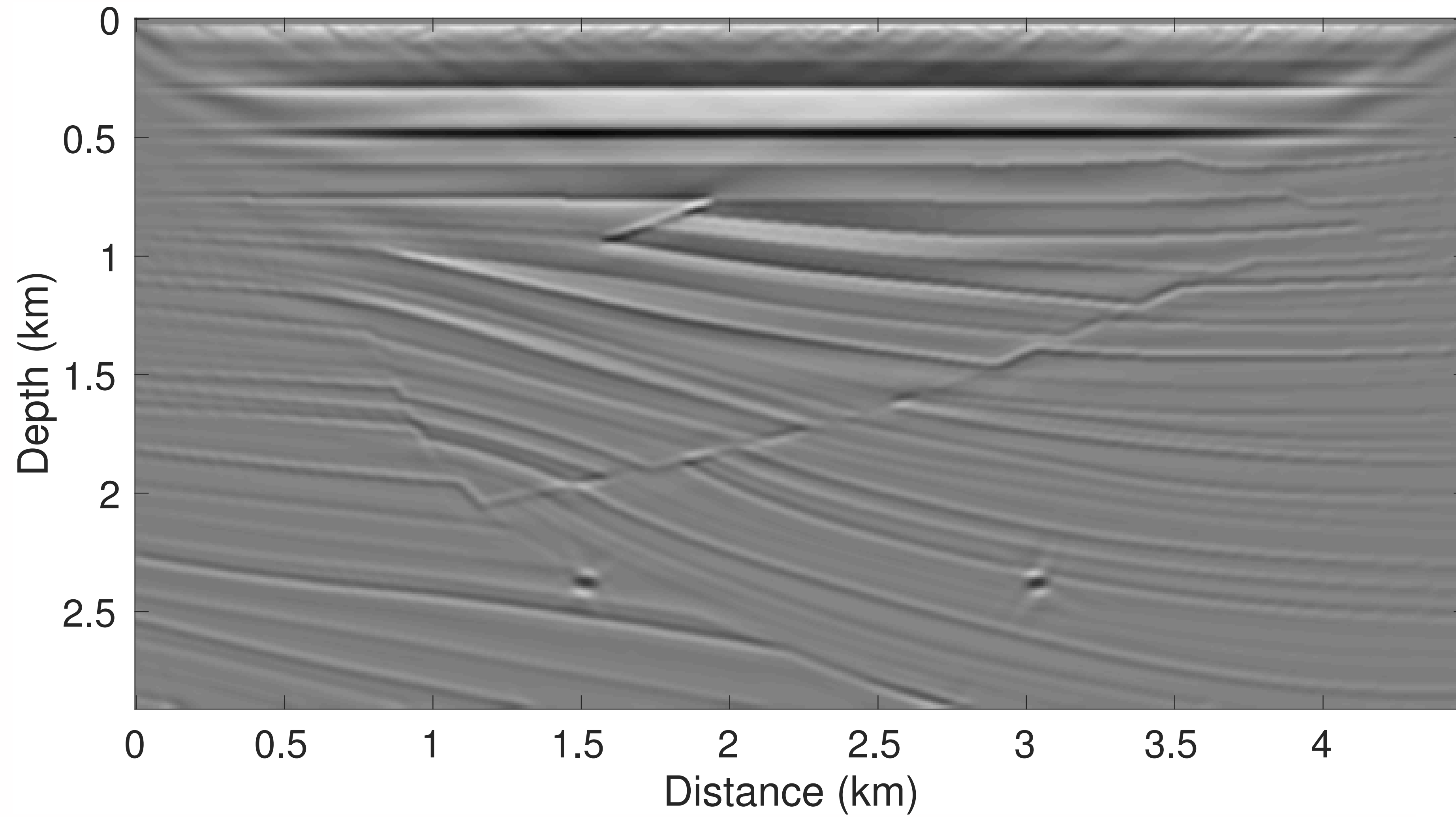


# Source estimation – perturbation

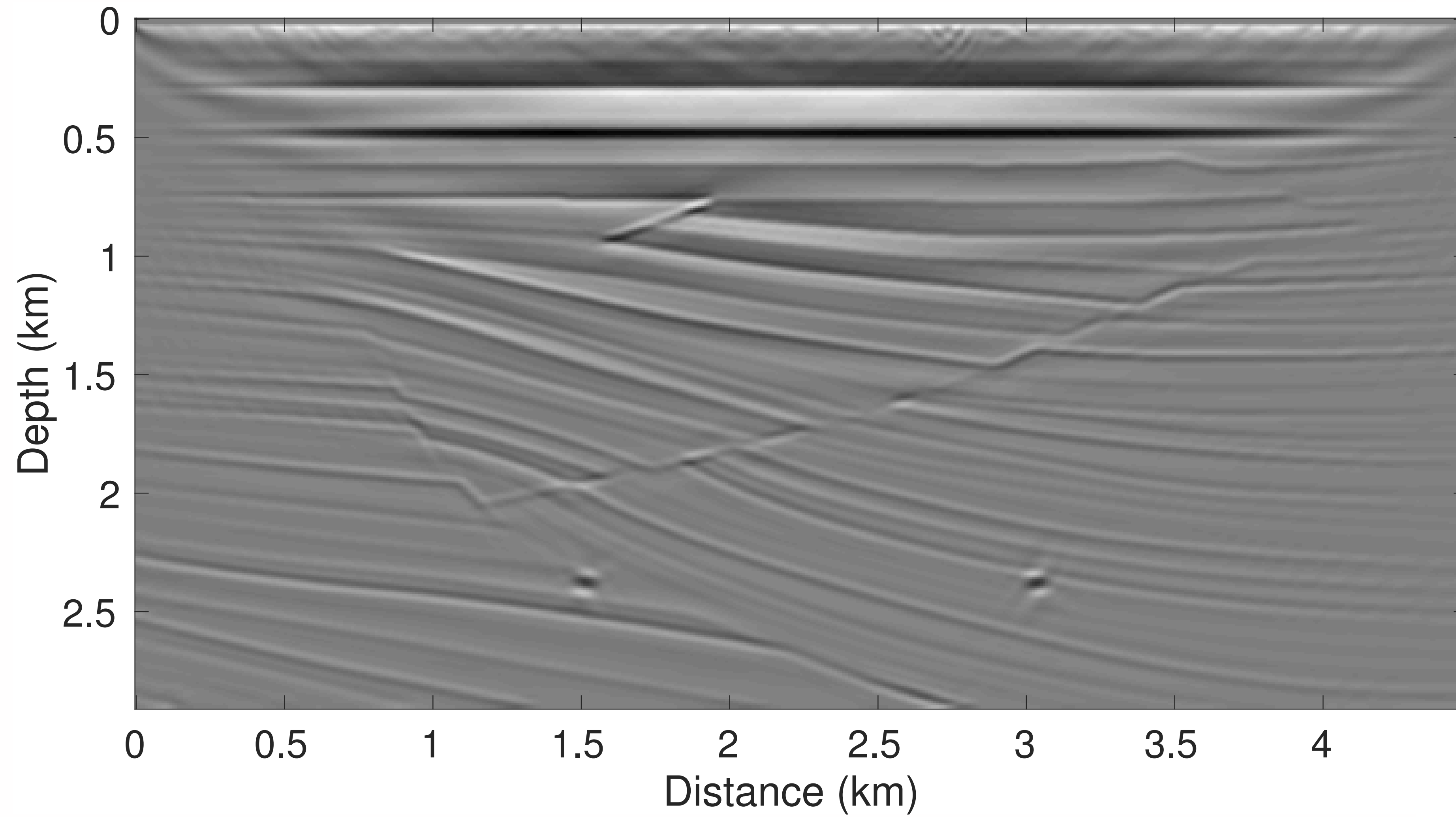




# Images – w/ known source



# Images – w/ estimated source



# Observations

Compressive imaging leads to

- ▶ a simple parallel algorithm w/ flexible degree of parallelism
- ▶ hifi artifact-free images from data w/ multiples

Randomizations lead to fast & computationally affordable RTM

- ▶ touches data only once or twice / reduces # of PDEs solves & IO
- ▶ iterative system not yet fully analyzed
- ▶ issue w/ scaling ambiguity

But, requires

- ▶ densely sampled data
- ▶ good velocity models...

# Constrained full-waveform inversion

Joint work w/ Ernie Esser, Bas Peters, Zhilong Fang, Tristan van Leeuwen, Mathias Louboutin





**John "Ernie" Esser (May 19, 1980 – March 8, 2015)**

## Stylized example

Simplistic forward model

$$\mathbf{d} = F(\mathbf{c})\mathbf{q} \equiv \mathbf{c} * \mathbf{q}$$

w/ vanilla inversion

$$\underset{\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^m}{\text{minimize}} \frac{1}{2} \|F(\mathbf{c})\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2$$

leads to nowhere if the source  $\mathbf{q}$  misses low frequencies...

## Stylized example w/ constraints

However, imposing constraints

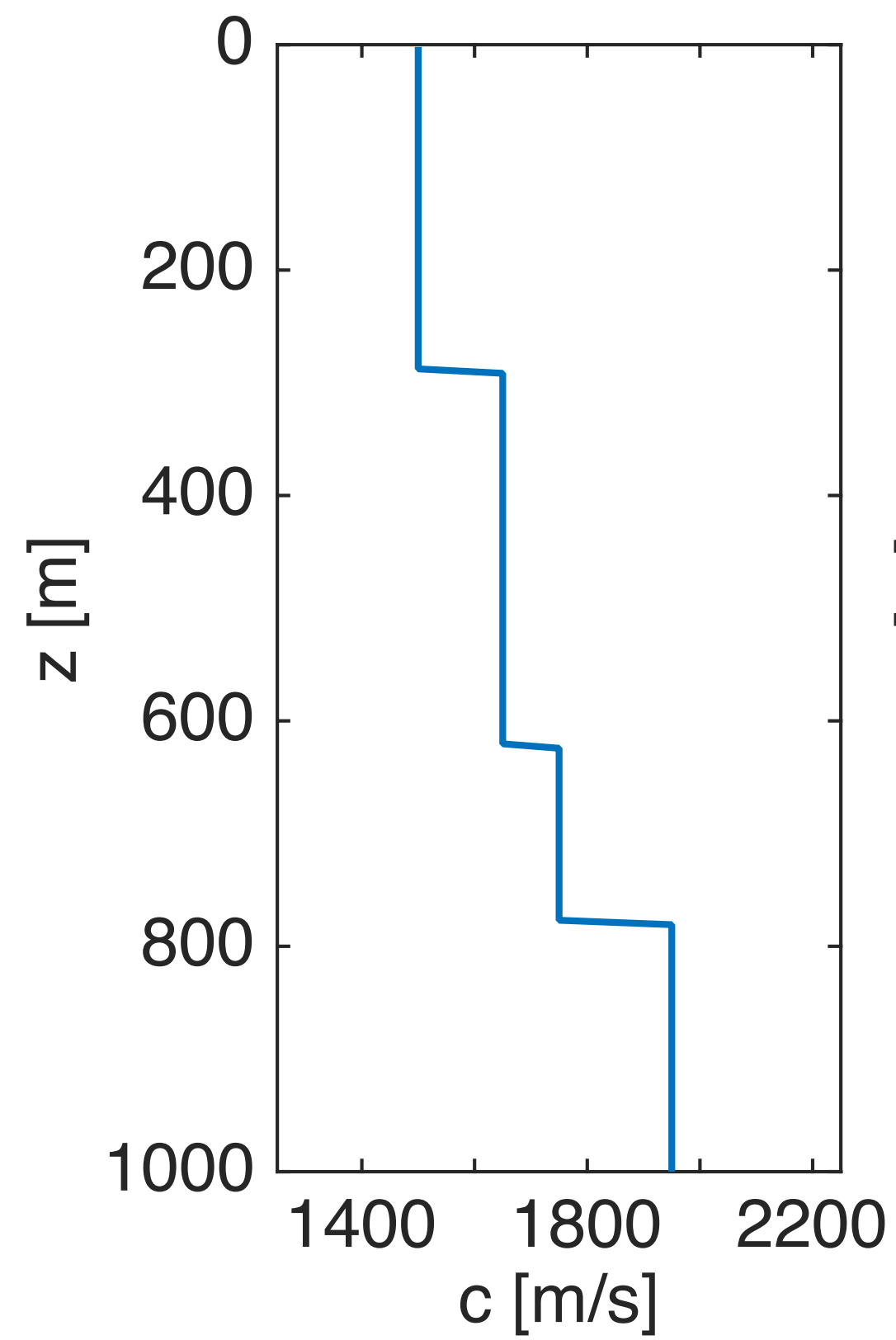
$$\underset{\mathbf{c} \geq \mathbf{c}_0}{\text{minimize}} \frac{1}{2} \|F(\mathbf{c})\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2 \quad \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{D}\mathbf{c} \geq \mathbf{0}$$

- ▶ minimal velocity
- ▶ monotonic increasing gradient of the velocity

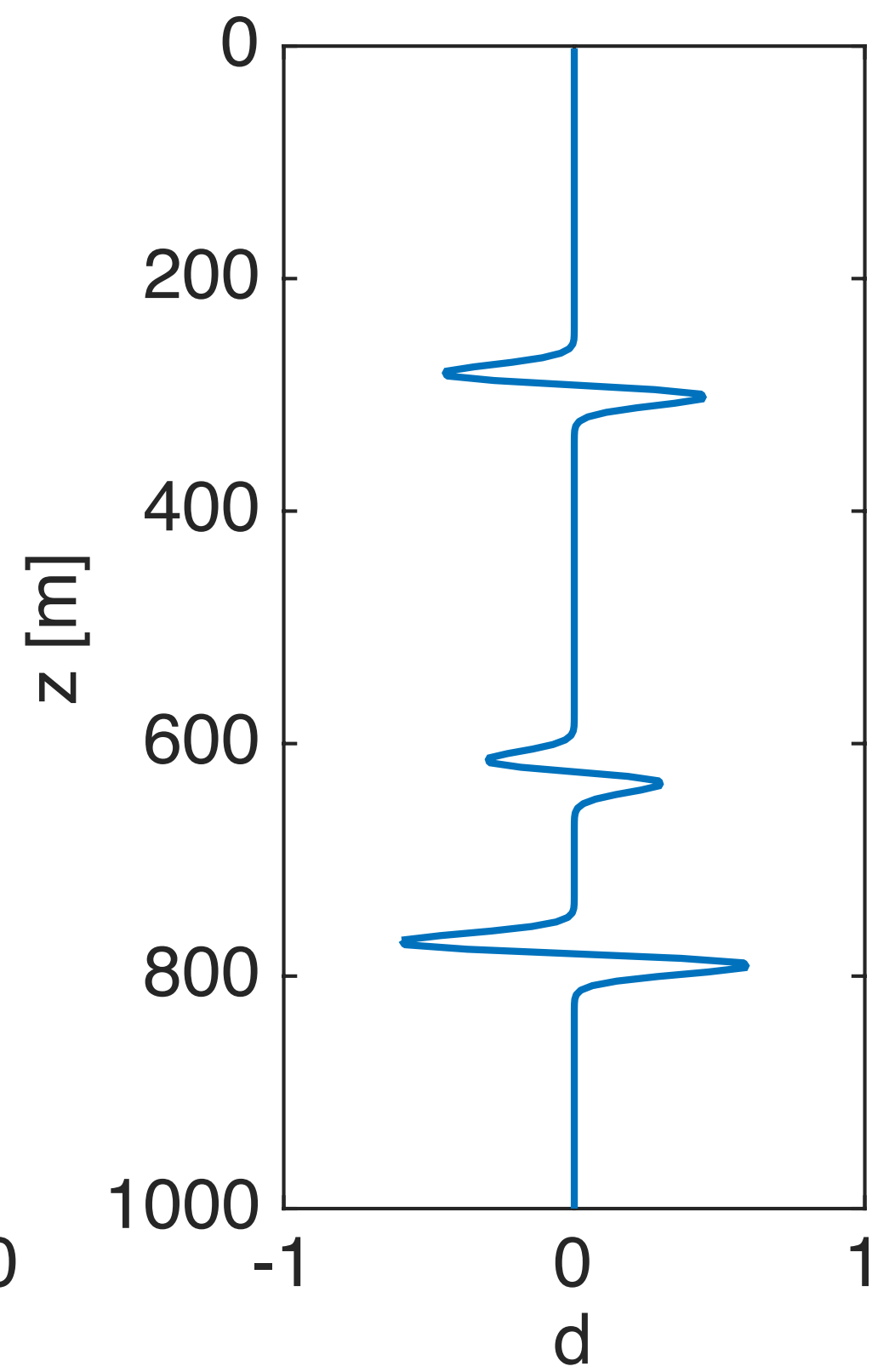
on the model fully recovers the model...

# Inversion w/o constraints

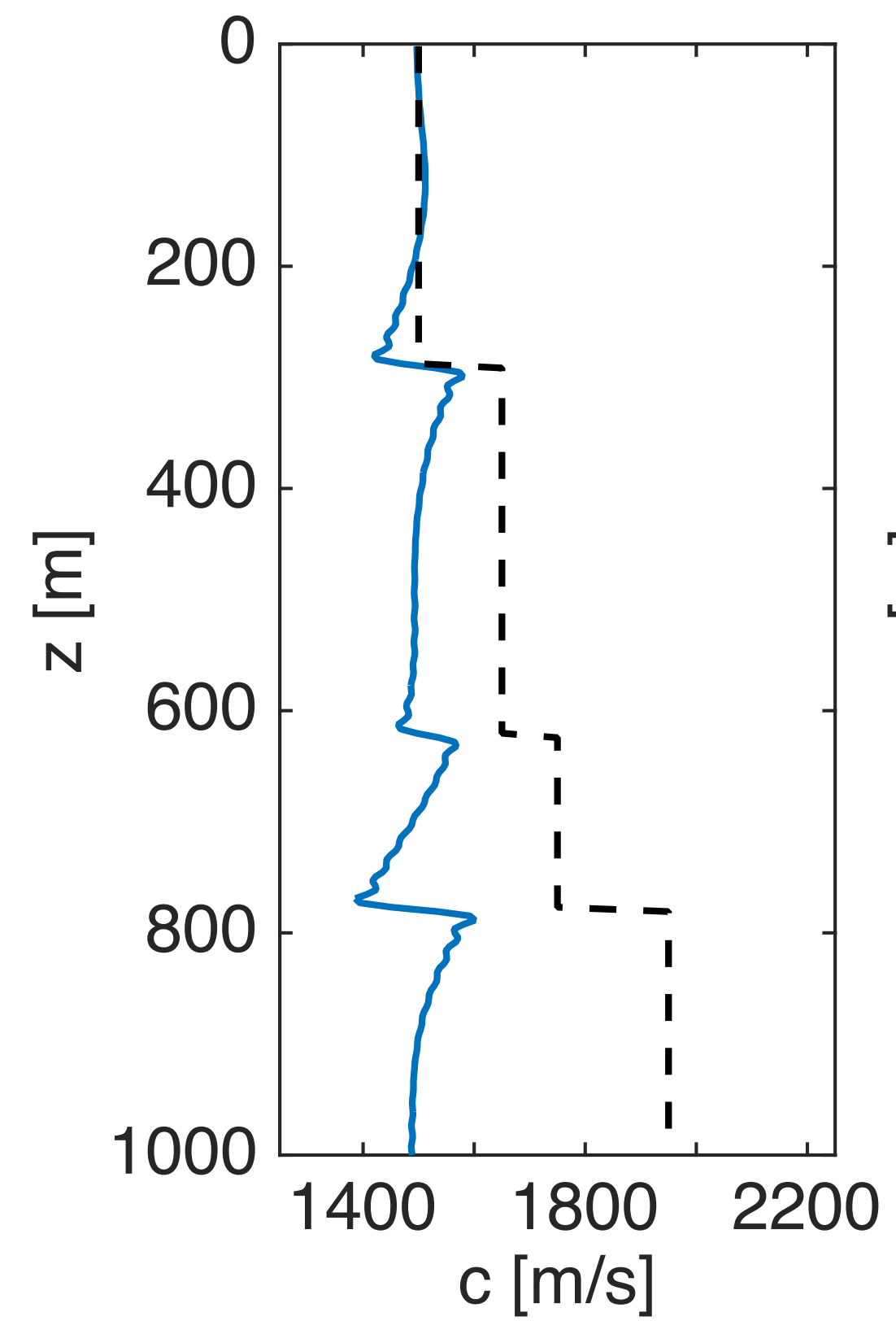
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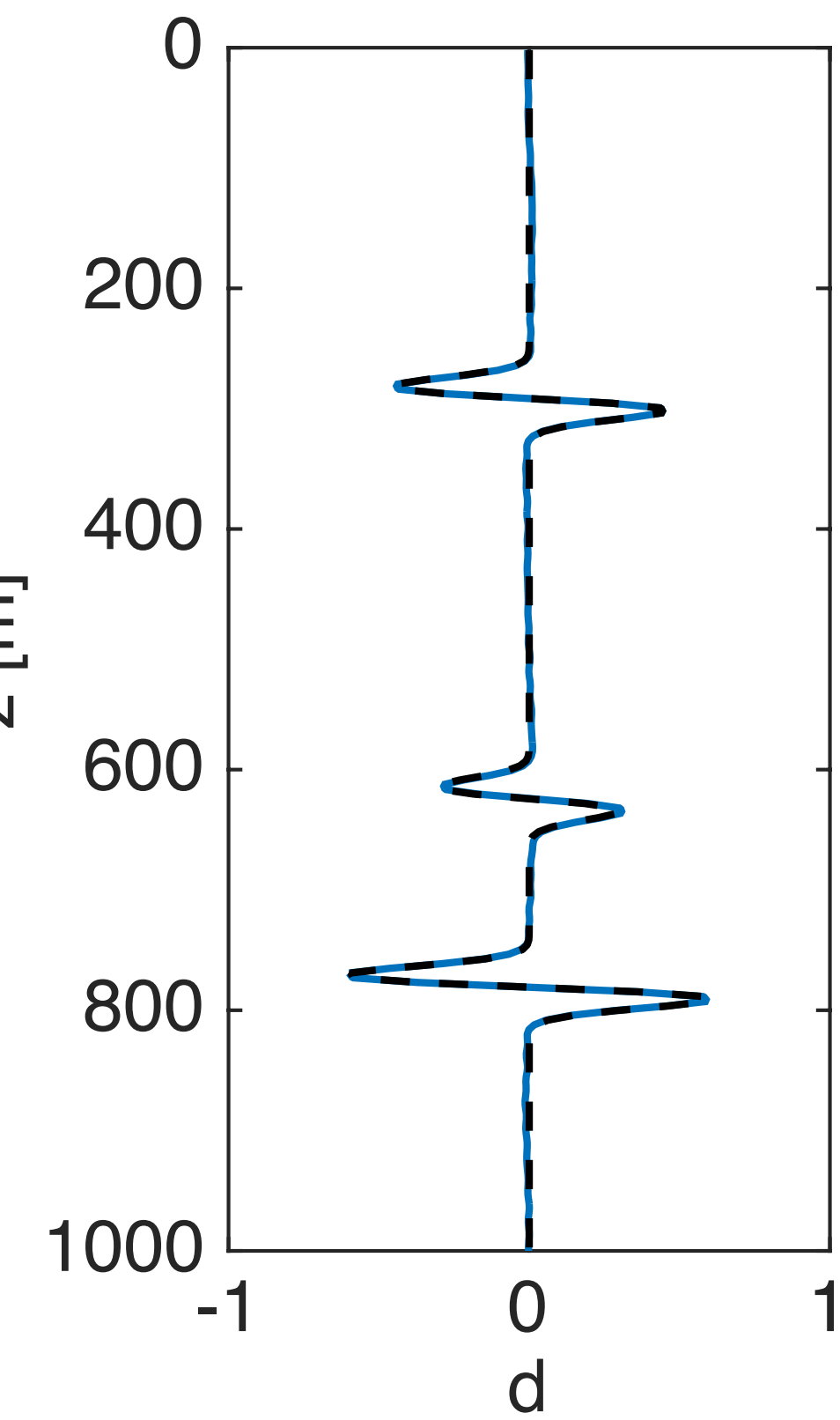
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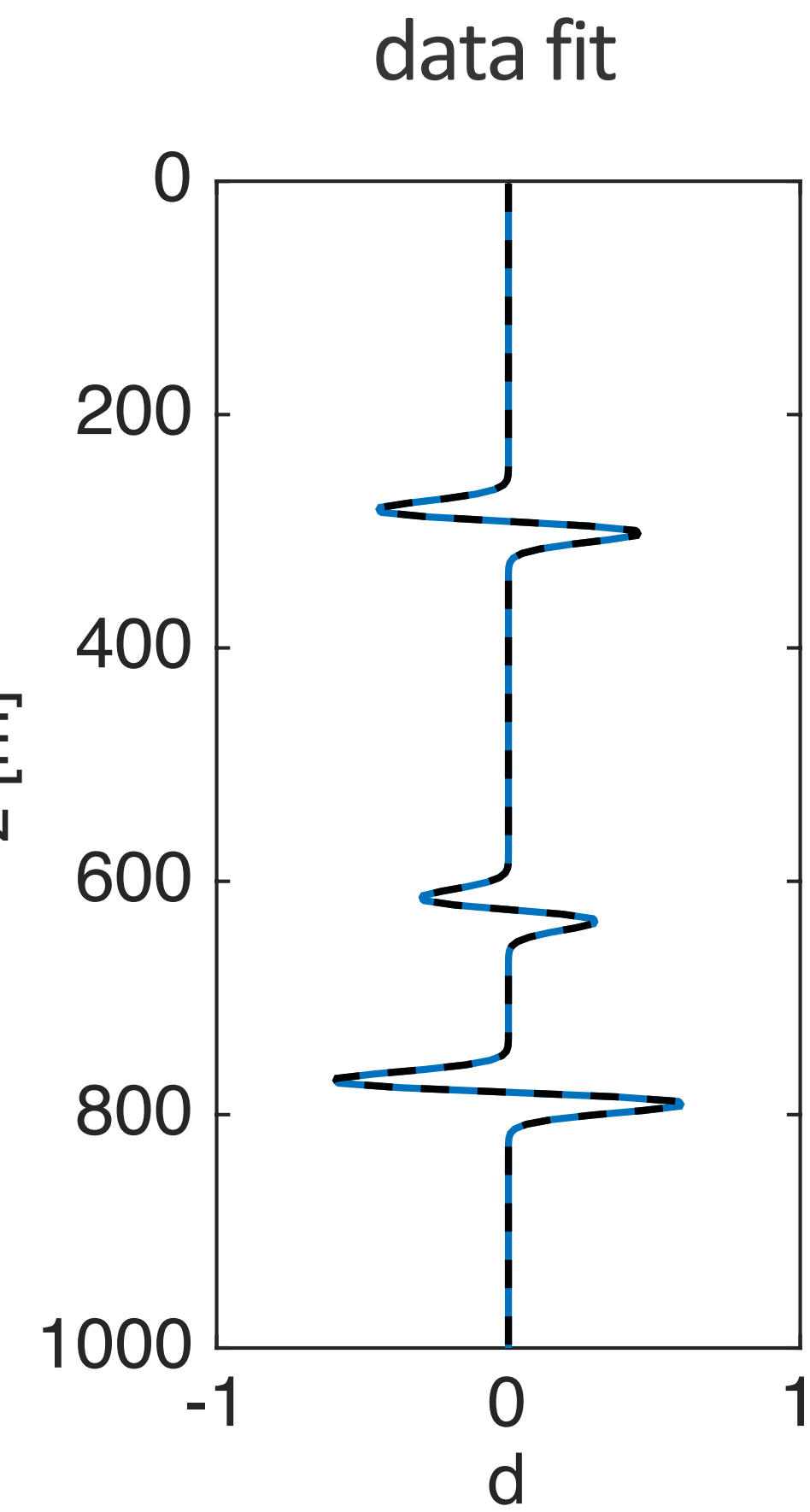
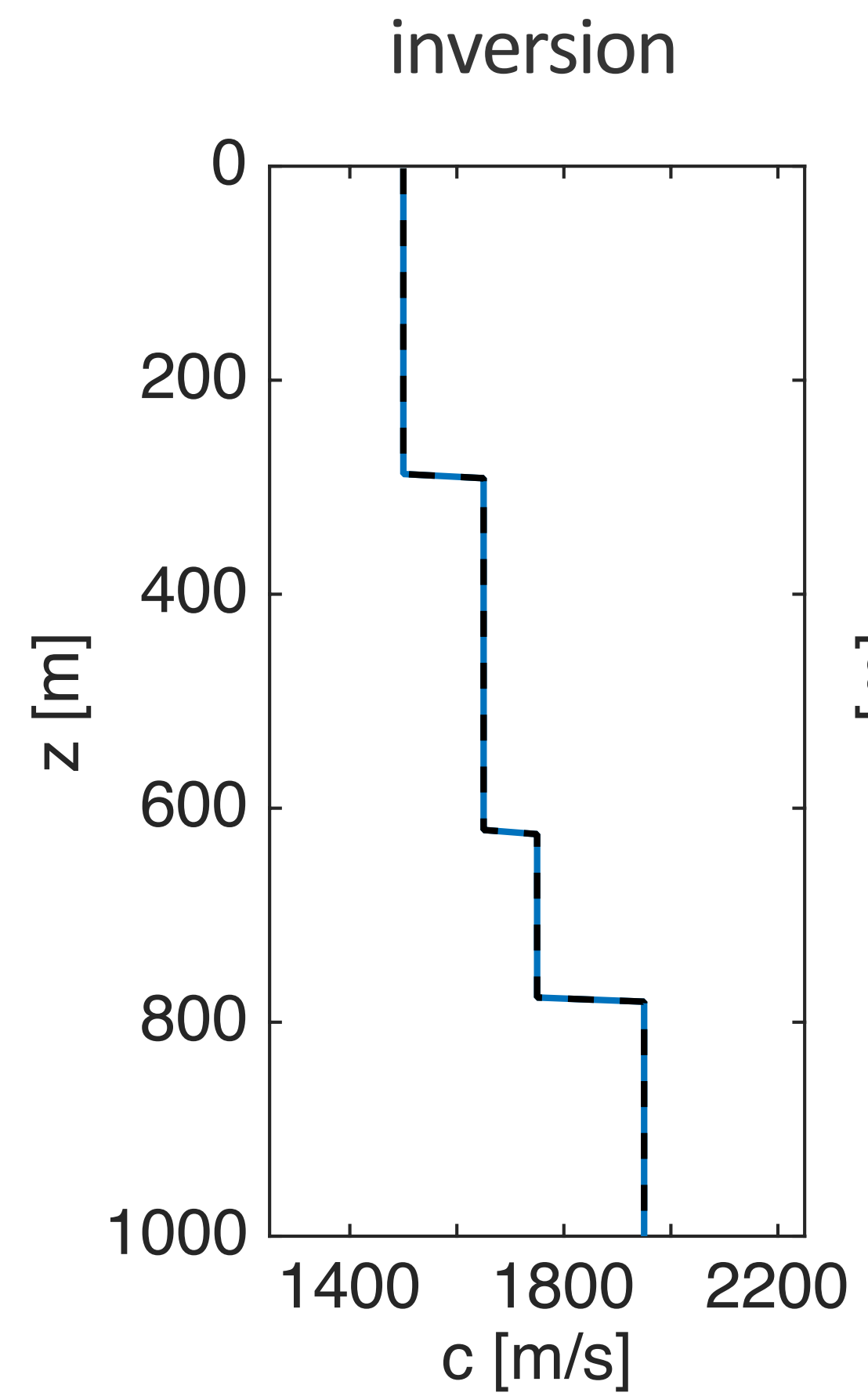
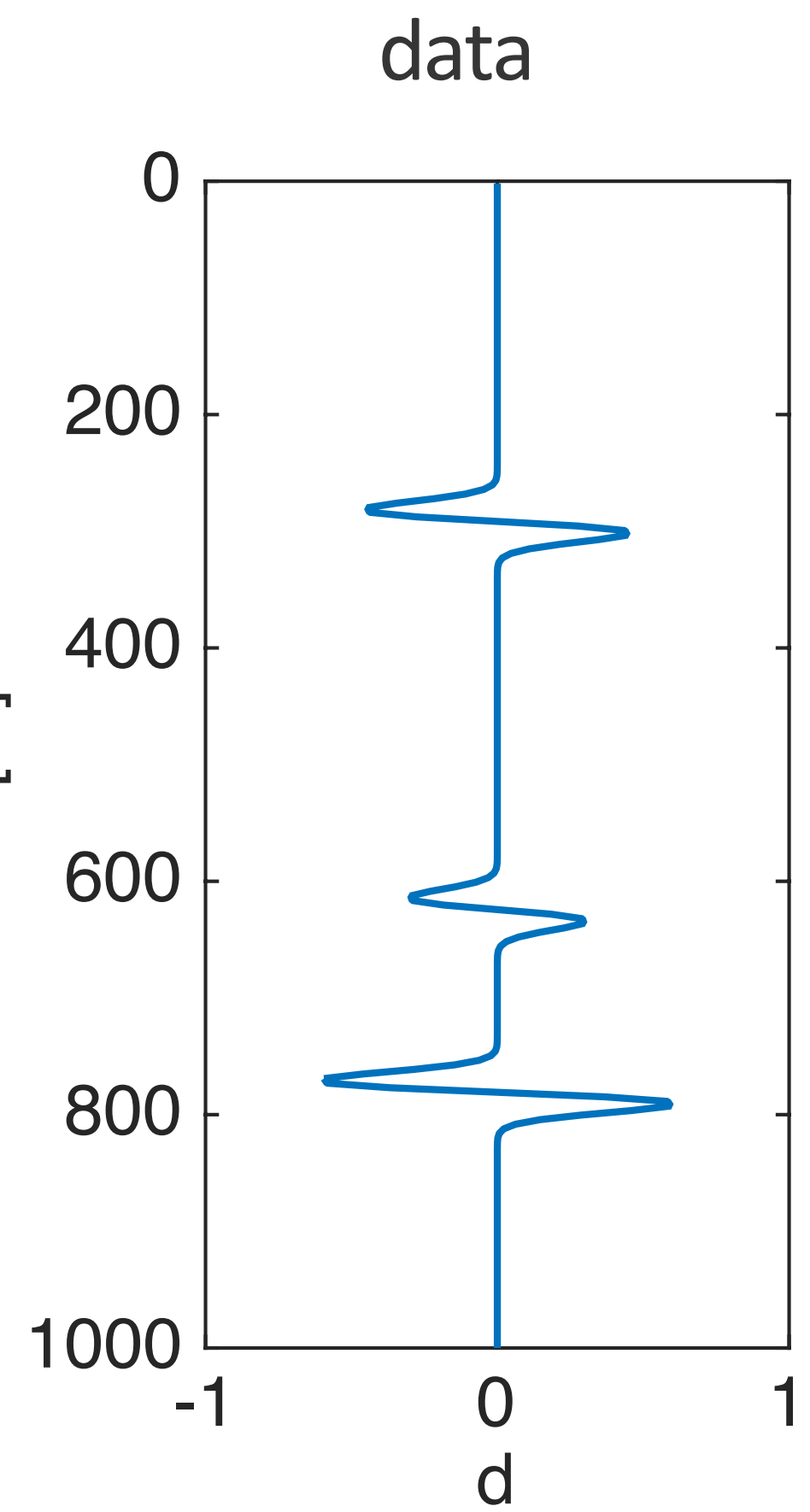
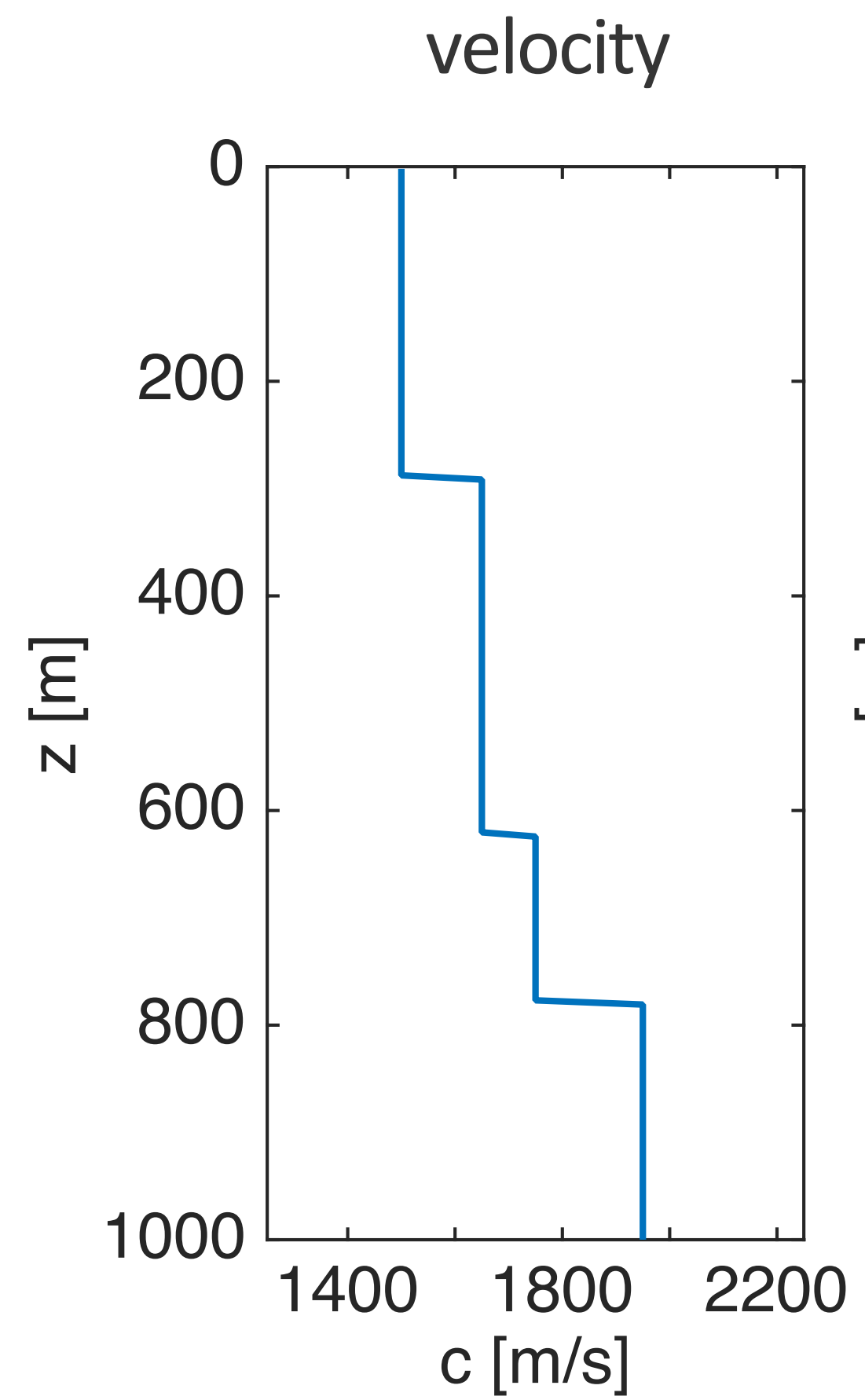


data fit





# Inversion w/ constraints



## Strategy

### Extend the search space

- ▶ “less” nonlinear
- ▶ ensures data fit & avoids cycle skips

### “Squeeze” the extension by

- ▶ enforcing the wave equation to compute model updates
- ▶ imposing *asymmetric* constraints that encode “rudimentary” properties of the geology
- ▶ relaxing the constraints to allow data fits & details to enter the solution

### Leverage frequency continuation & warm starts where

- ▶ *sparsity-promoting asymmetric* constraints limit adverse affects of local minima
- ▶ there is hope as long as progress is made towards the solution during each cycle

**Outcome:** an automatic multi-cycle optimization-driven workflow

# WRI – outer iterations

## WRI method

for each source  $i$

$$\text{solve } \begin{pmatrix} P_i \\ \lambda A_i(\mathbf{m}) \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{\lambda,i} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{d}_i \\ \lambda \mathbf{q}_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g} + \lambda^2 \omega^2 \text{diag}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i,\lambda})^* (A(\mathbf{m})\bar{\mathbf{u}}_{i,\lambda} - \mathbf{q}_i)$$

$$H_{GN} = H_{GN} + \lambda^2 \omega^4 \text{diag}(\mathbf{u}_i)^* \text{diag}(\mathbf{u}_i)$$

end

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{m} - \alpha H_{GN}^{-1} \mathbf{g}$$

diagonal Hessian  
=  
pseudo Hessian

replace by inner  
loop that imposes  
convex constraints

## Conventional method

for each source  $i$

$$\text{solve } A(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{u}_i = \mathbf{q}_i$$

$$\text{solve } A(\mathbf{m})^* \mathbf{v}_i = P_i^* (P_i \mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{d}_i)$$

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g} + \omega^2 \text{diag}(\mathbf{u}_i)^* \mathbf{v}_i$$

end

$$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{m} - \alpha \mathbf{g}$$

dense Hessian  
&  
too expensive

## Including convex constraints into WRI

$$\Delta \mathbf{m} = \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{R}^N} \Delta \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{g}^n + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{m}^T H_{GN}^n \Delta \mathbf{m} + c_n \Delta \mathbf{m}^T \Delta \mathbf{m}$$

such that  $\mathbf{m}^n + \Delta \mathbf{m} \in C$

expensive but fixed

cheap

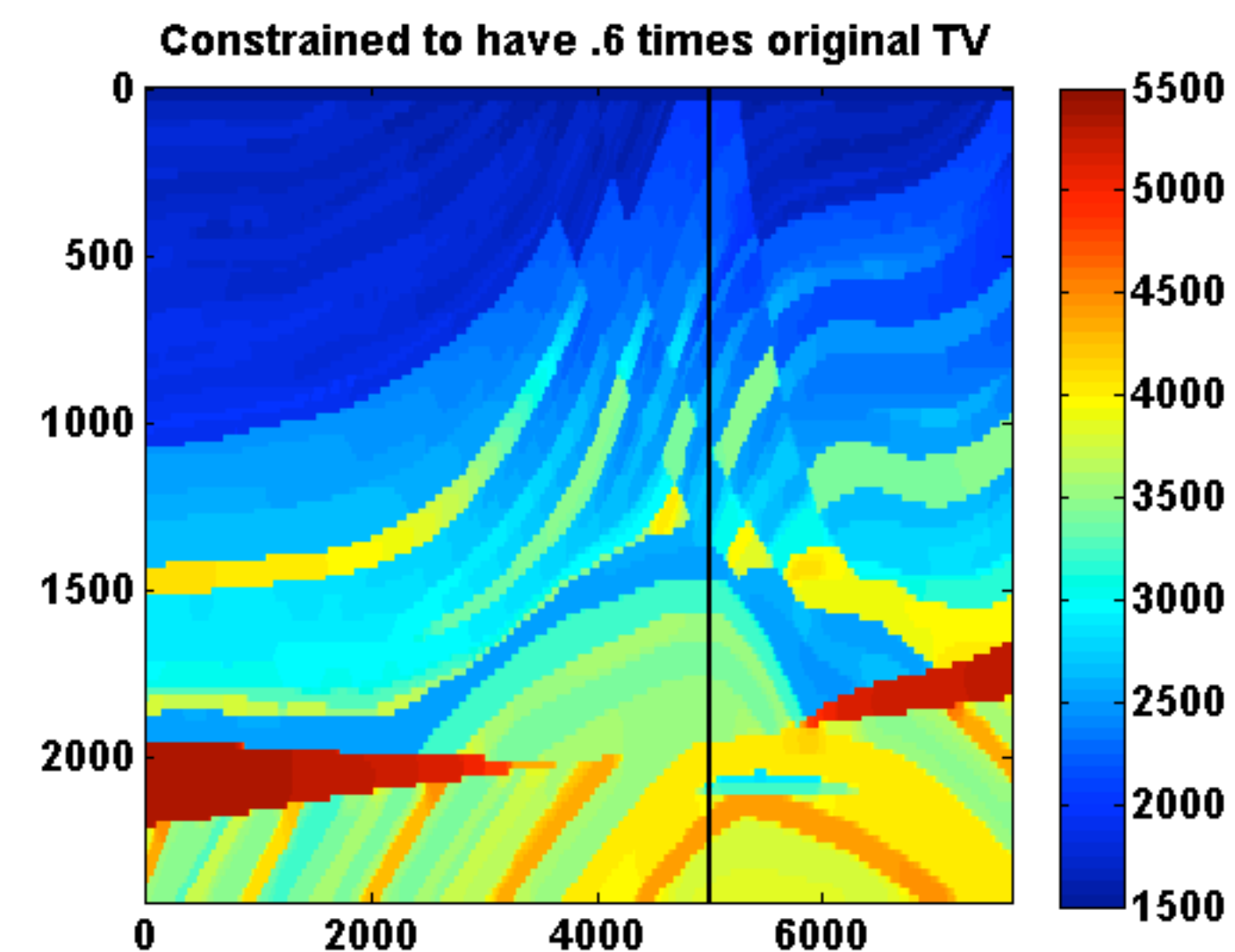
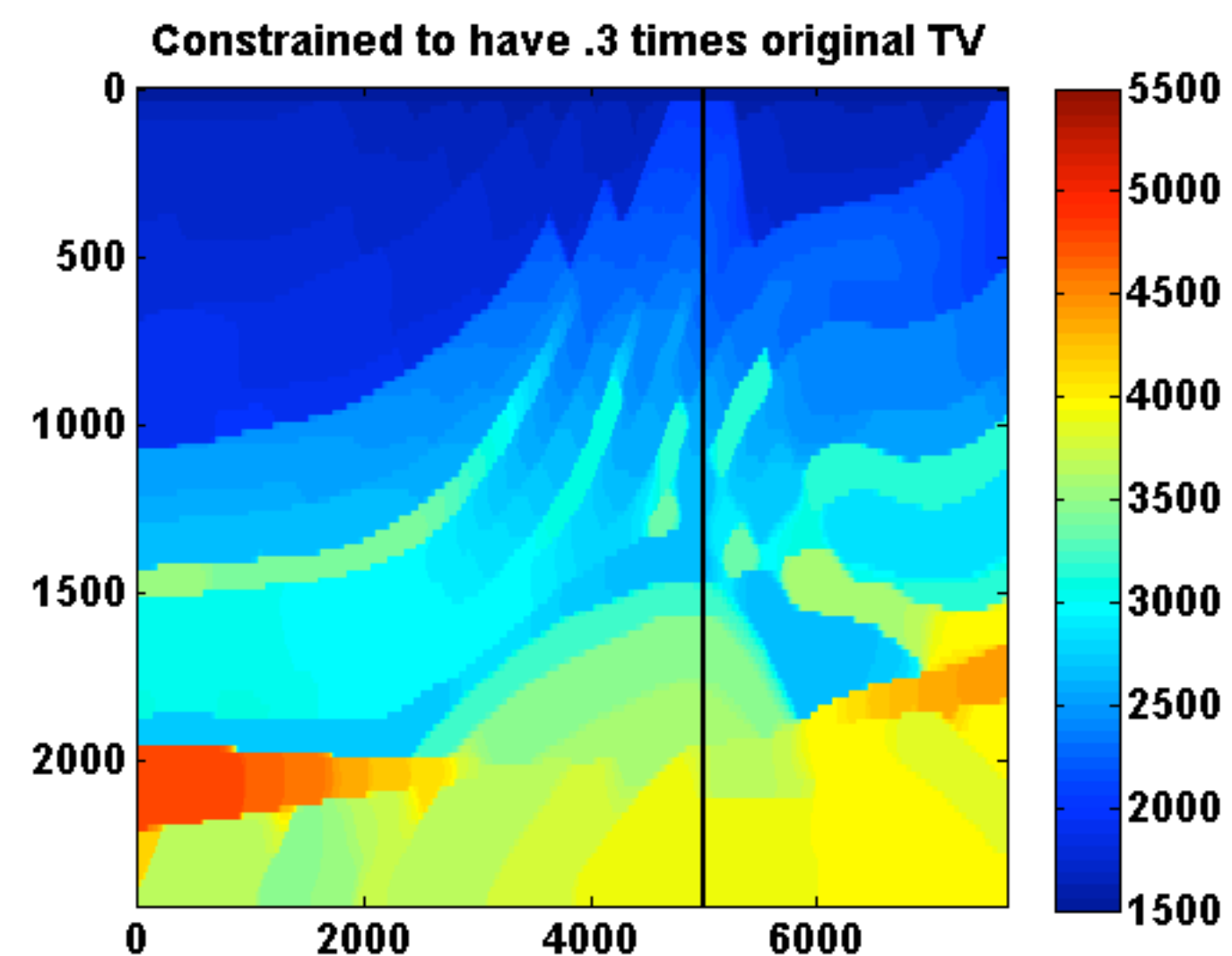
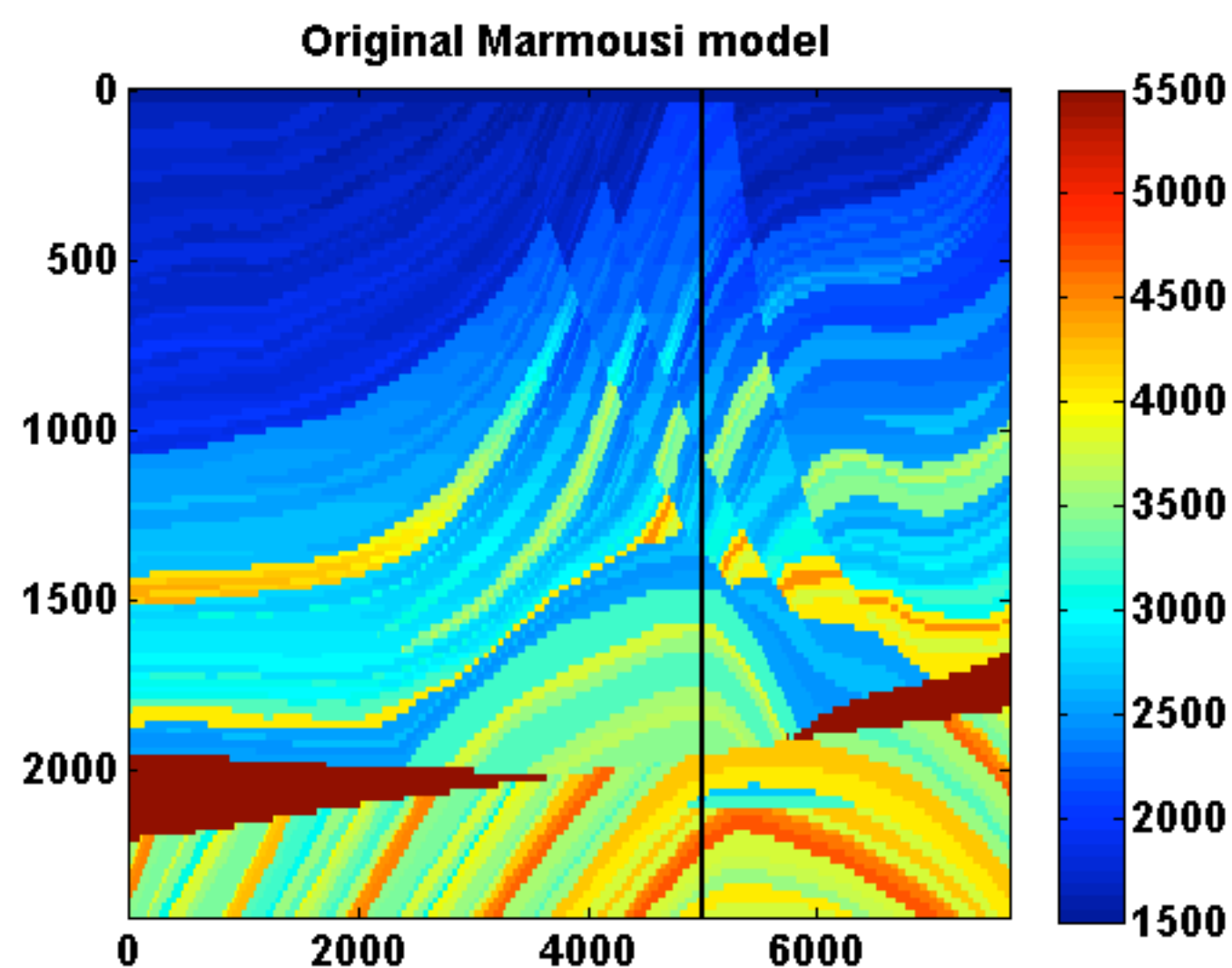
damped

- ▶ guarantees  $\mathbf{m}^{n+1} \in C$
- ▶ more difficult to compute
- ▶ feasible if it is easy to project onto
- ▶ naive projections  $\mathbf{m}^{m+1} = \Pi_C (\mathbf{m}^n - (H^n)^{-1} \mathbf{g}^n)$  are not guaranteed to converge [Bertsekas '99]

# Projections onto convex sets

$v_{\min} = 1500$ ,  $v_{\max} = 5500$ , and  $\tau = \{0.3\tau_0, 0.6\tau_0\}$

$$\Pi_C(\mathbf{m}_0) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{m}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_0\|^2 \quad \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{m}_i \in [B_i^l, B_i^u] \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathbf{m}\|_{TV} \leq \tau$$



## Proposed algorithm

Solve

$$\underset{\mathbf{m}}{\text{minimize}} \Phi(\mathbf{m}) \quad \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{m}^{n+1} \in C_{\text{box}} \cap C_{\text{TV}}$$

by iterating

$$\Delta \mathbf{m} = \arg \min_{\Delta \mathbf{m}} \Delta \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{g}^n + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{m}^T (H^n + c_n \mathbf{I}) \Delta \mathbf{m}$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{m}_i^n + \Delta \mathbf{m}_i \in [B_i^l, B_i^u] \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathbf{m}^n \Delta \mathbf{m}\|_{\text{TV}} \leq \tau$$

$$\mathbf{m}^{n+1} = \mathbf{m}^n + \Delta \mathbf{m}$$

## Solving the convex subproblems

Find saddle point of

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(\Delta \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{p}) = & \Delta \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{g}^n + \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{m}^T (H^n + c_n \mathbf{I}) \Delta \mathbf{m} + g_B(\mathbf{m}^n + \Delta \mathbf{m}) \\ & + \mathbf{p}^T D(\mathbf{m}^n + \Delta \mathbf{m}) - \tau \|\mathbf{p}\|_{\infty, 2} \end{aligned}$$

with indicator functions for

**Bound constraint**

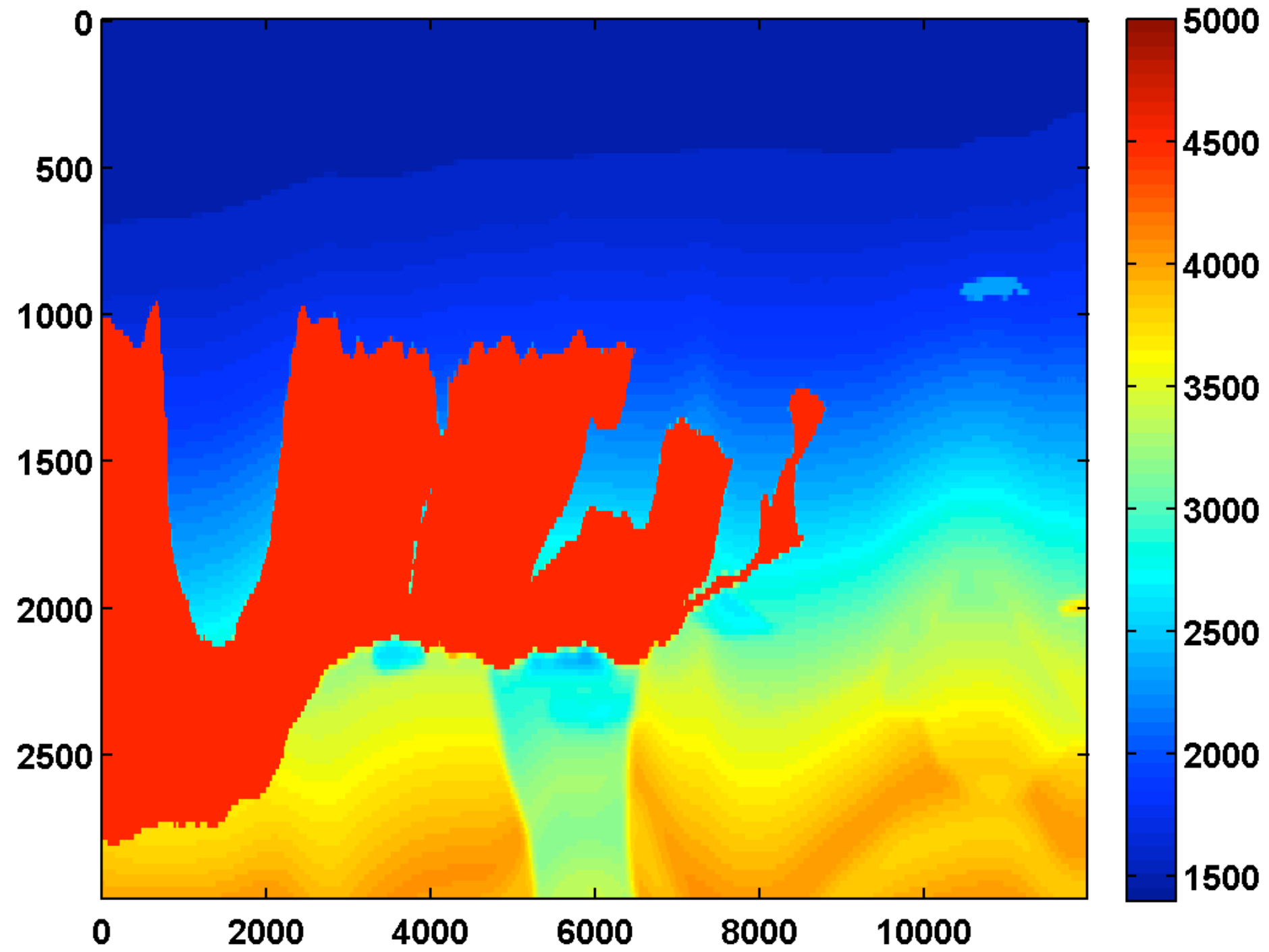
$$g_B(\mathbf{m}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m_i \in [B_i^l, B_i^u] \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**TV-norm constraint**

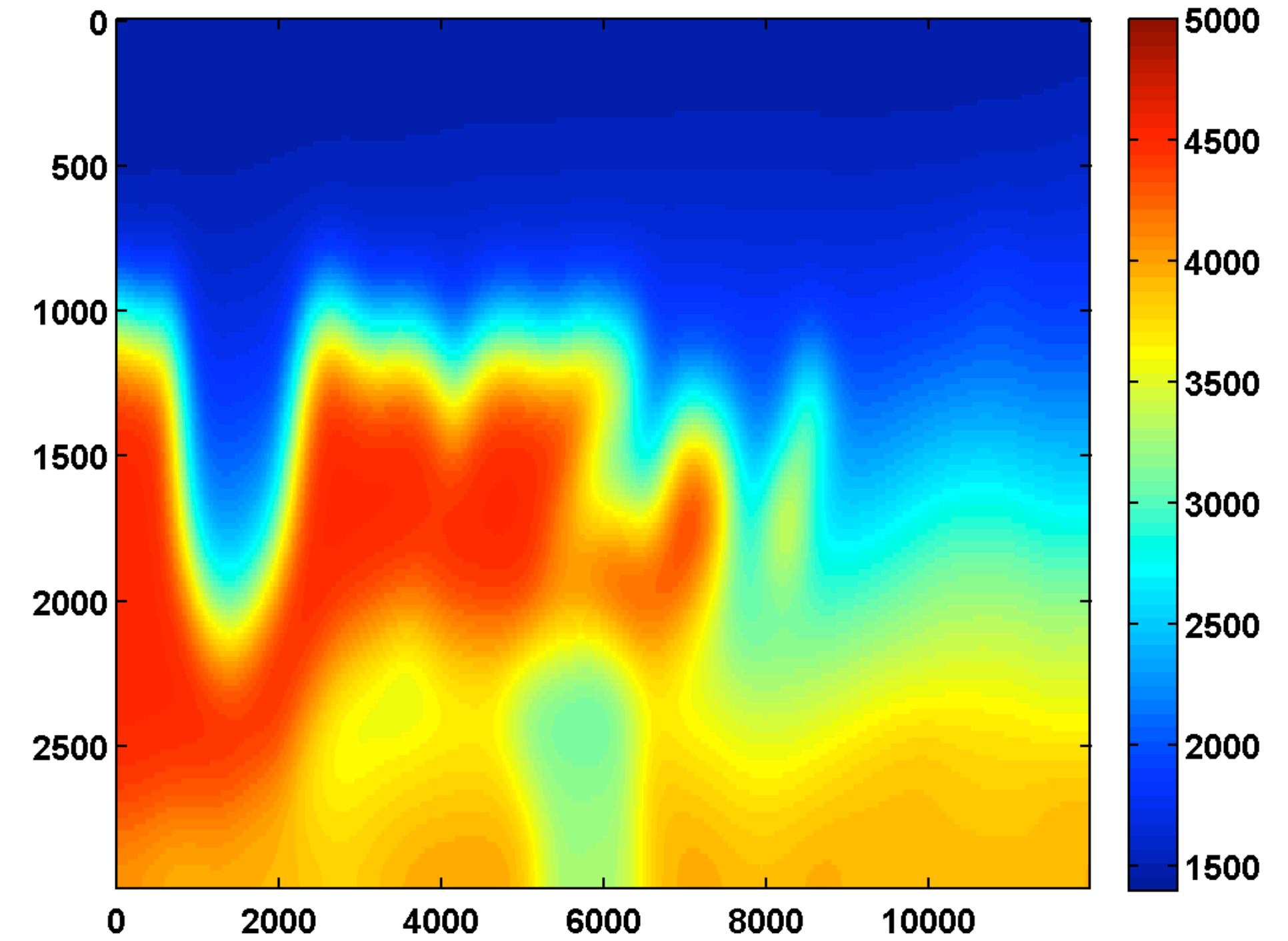
$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\mathbf{p}} +\mathbf{p}^T D(\mathbf{m}^n + \Delta \mathbf{m}) - \tau \|\mathbf{p}\|_{\infty, 2} \\ & = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \|D(\mathbf{m}^n + \Delta \mathbf{m})\|_{1, 2} \leq \tau \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

# BP model

original model



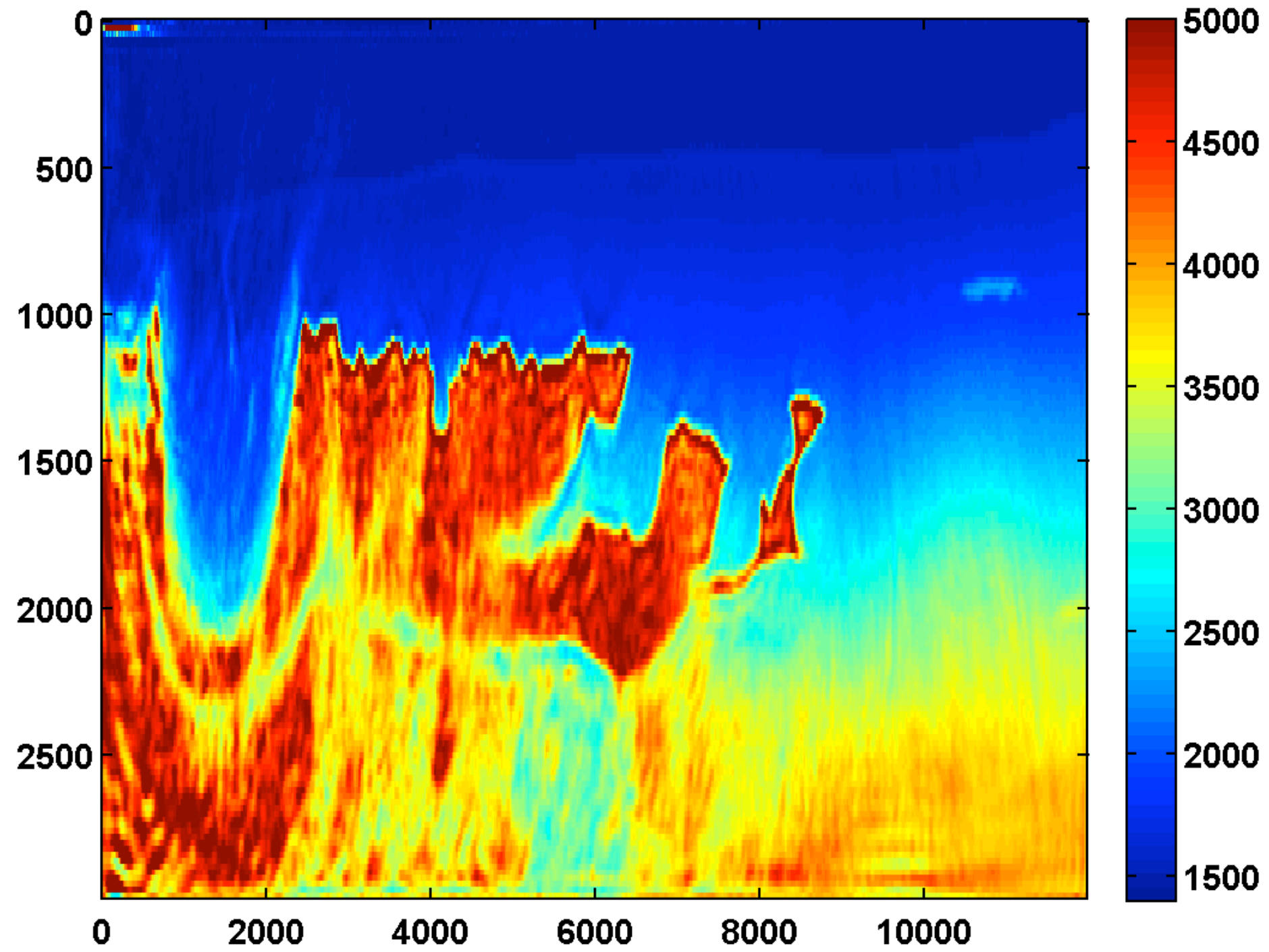
starting model



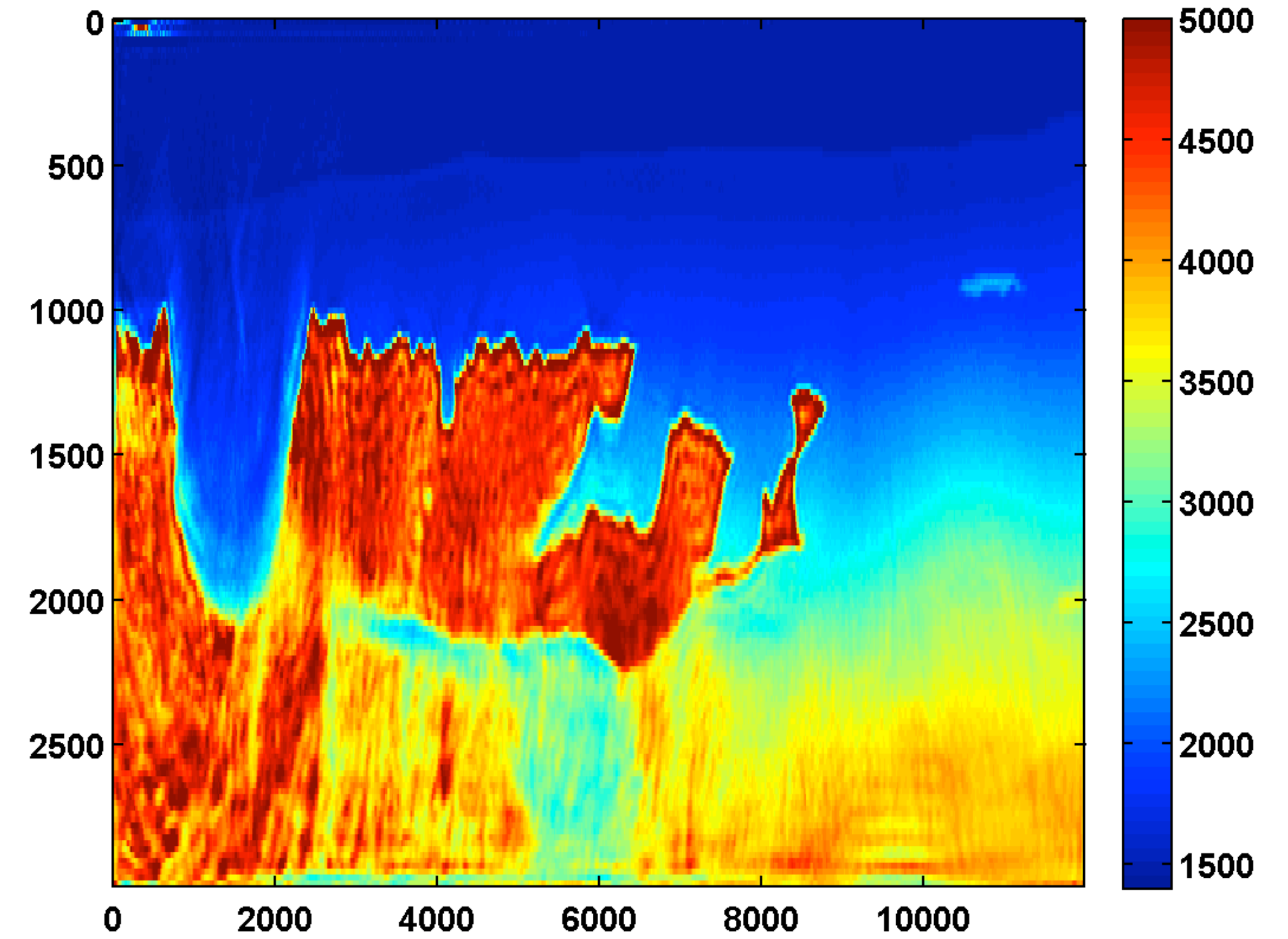


# WRI w/o constraints

first sweep

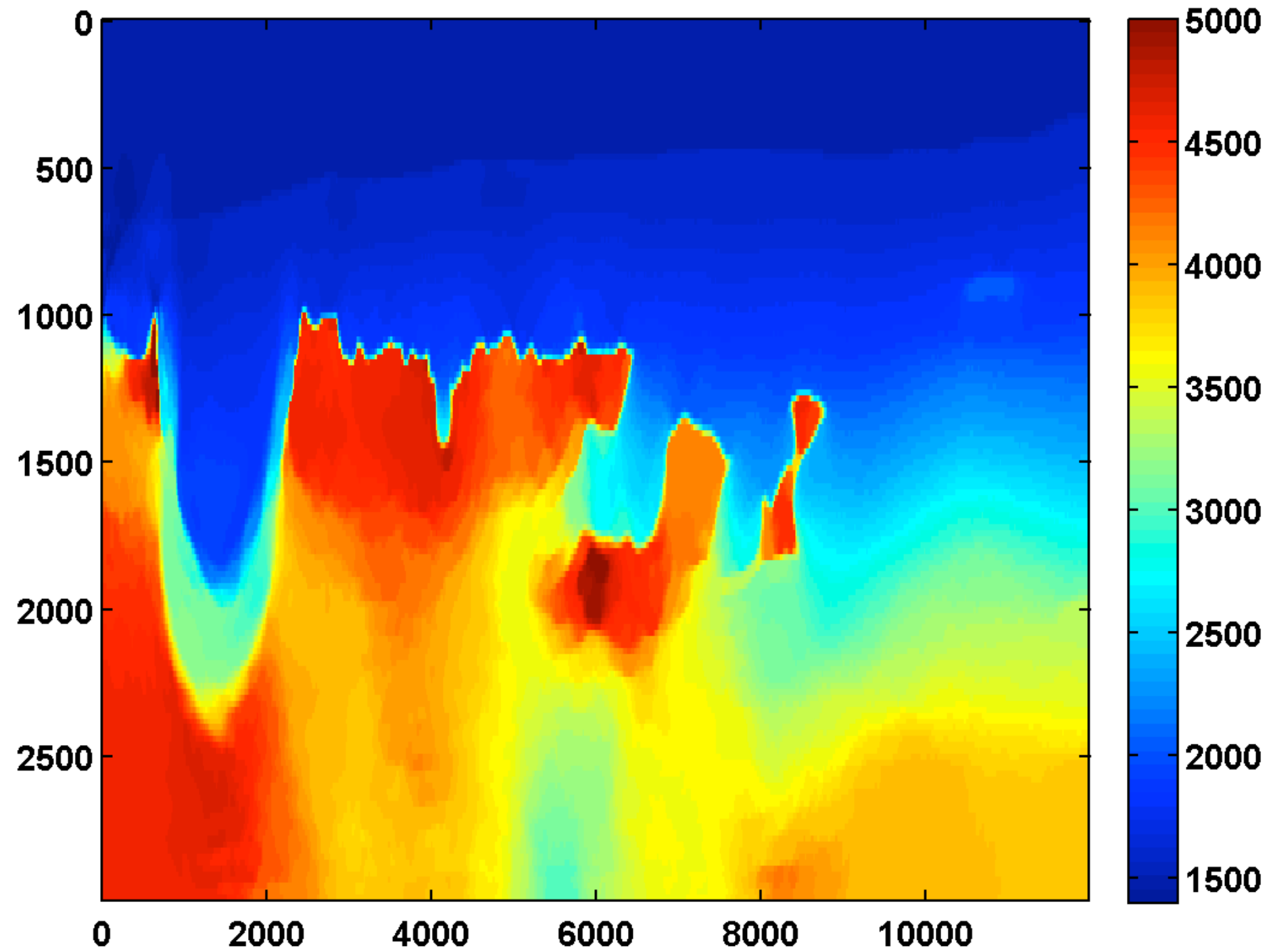


second sweep

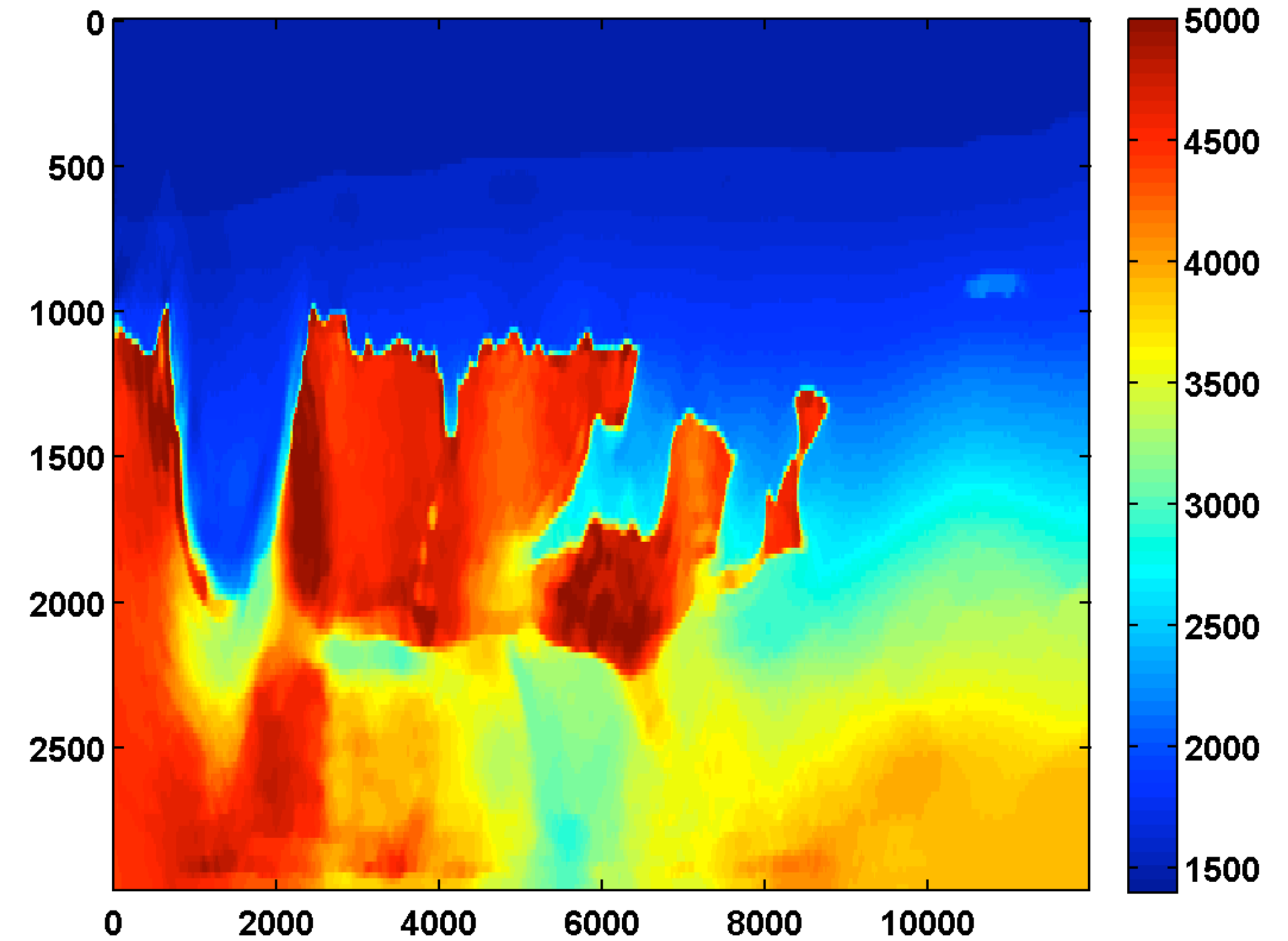


# WRI w/ relaxed constraints

first sweep



second sweep



Total Variation Regularized Wavefield Reconstruction Inversion [\[Read More\]](#) [\[GitHub\]](#)

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## Design criteria – including constraints

Flexible optimization framework that

- ▶ incorporates rudimentary properties of the geology via constraints
- ▶ uniquely imposes multiple constraints on each FWI model iterate
- ▶ is fast & leaves the main loop w/ wave-equation solves alone
- ▶ works as a “black box” w/ existing FWI code bases

## A few regularization strategies

Objective function:  $f(\mathbf{m})$  (differentiable, time or frequency)

Tikhonov penalty: 
$$\phi(\mathbf{m}) = f(\mathbf{m}) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|R_1 \mathbf{m}\|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \|R_2 \mathbf{m}\|^2$$

Gradient filtering: 
$$\mathbf{m}_{k+1} = \mathbf{m}_k - \gamma F \nabla_{\mathbf{m}} f(\mathbf{m})$$

Constrained formulation: 
$$\min_{\mathbf{m}} f(\mathbf{m}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{m} \in \mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2$$

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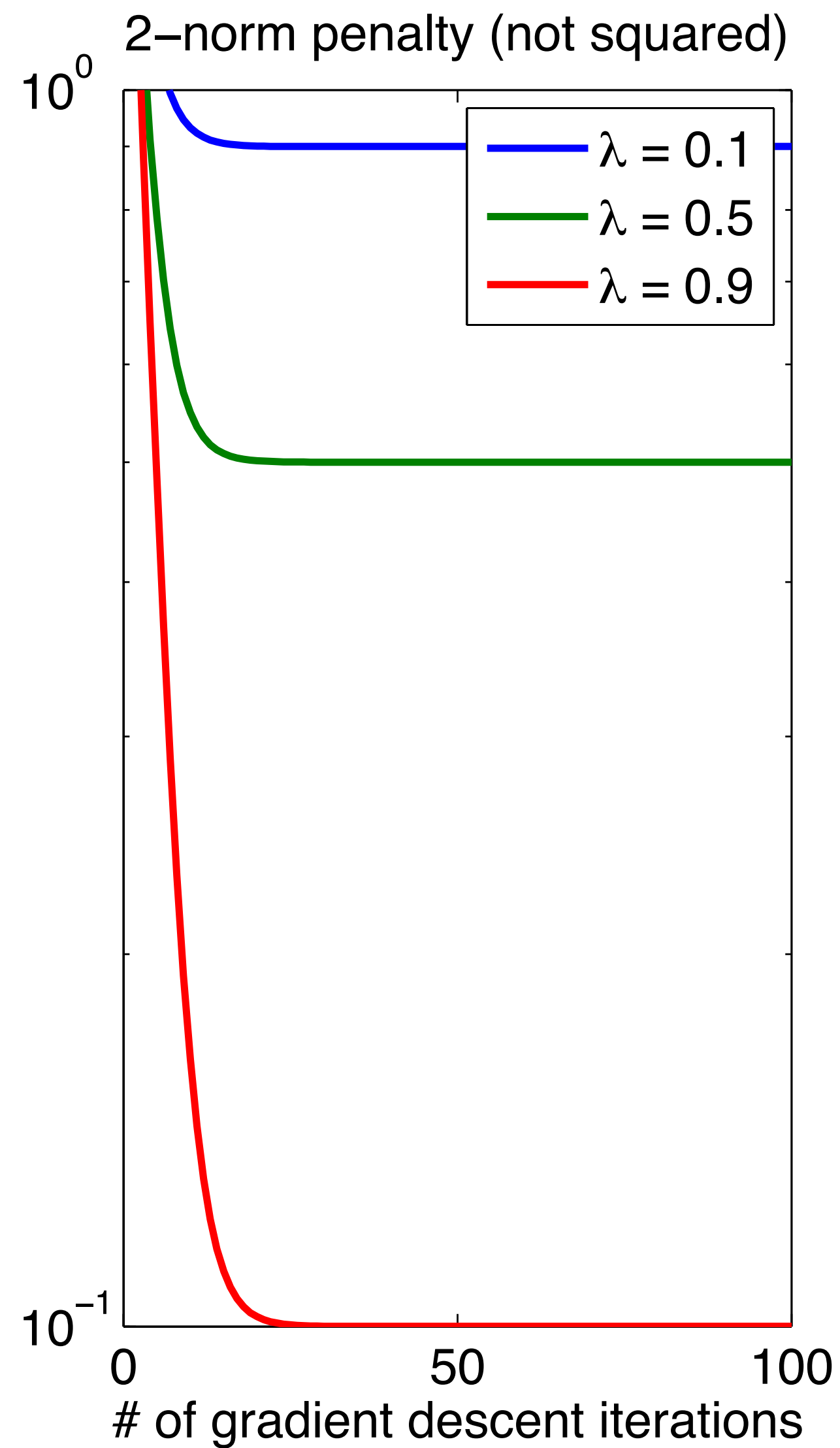
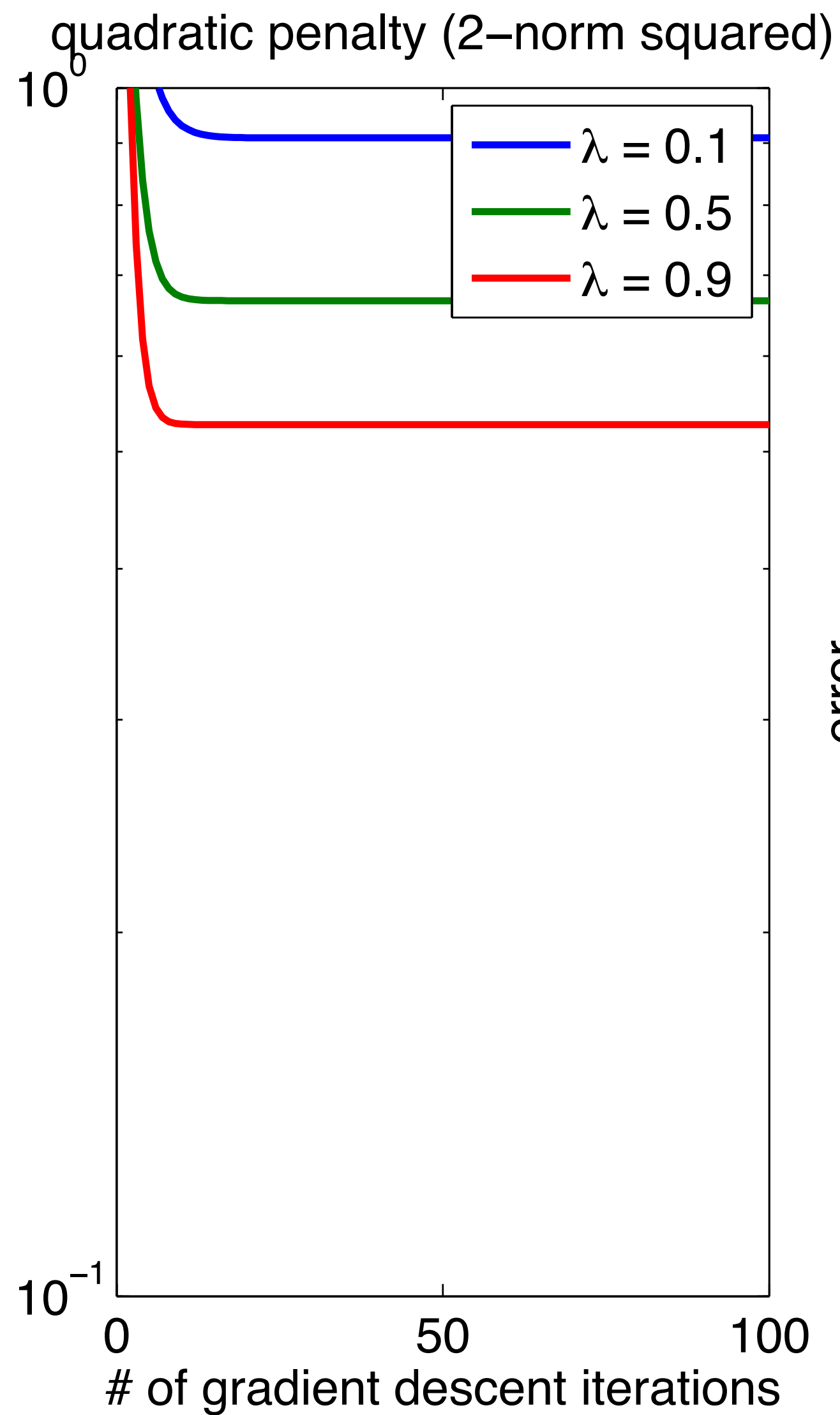
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Potential problems:

- squared norm is not an exact penalty
- difficult/costly to determine penalty/tradeoff-parameters
- potentially ill-conditioned Hessian
- may not be obvious which constrained problem is solved for a given penalty parameter
- **no guarantees that all model iterates are regularized**

# A few regularization strategies



exact versus non-exact penalty

Toy problem:

$$\min_x \frac{1}{2} \|x - 1\|_2^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad x = 2$$

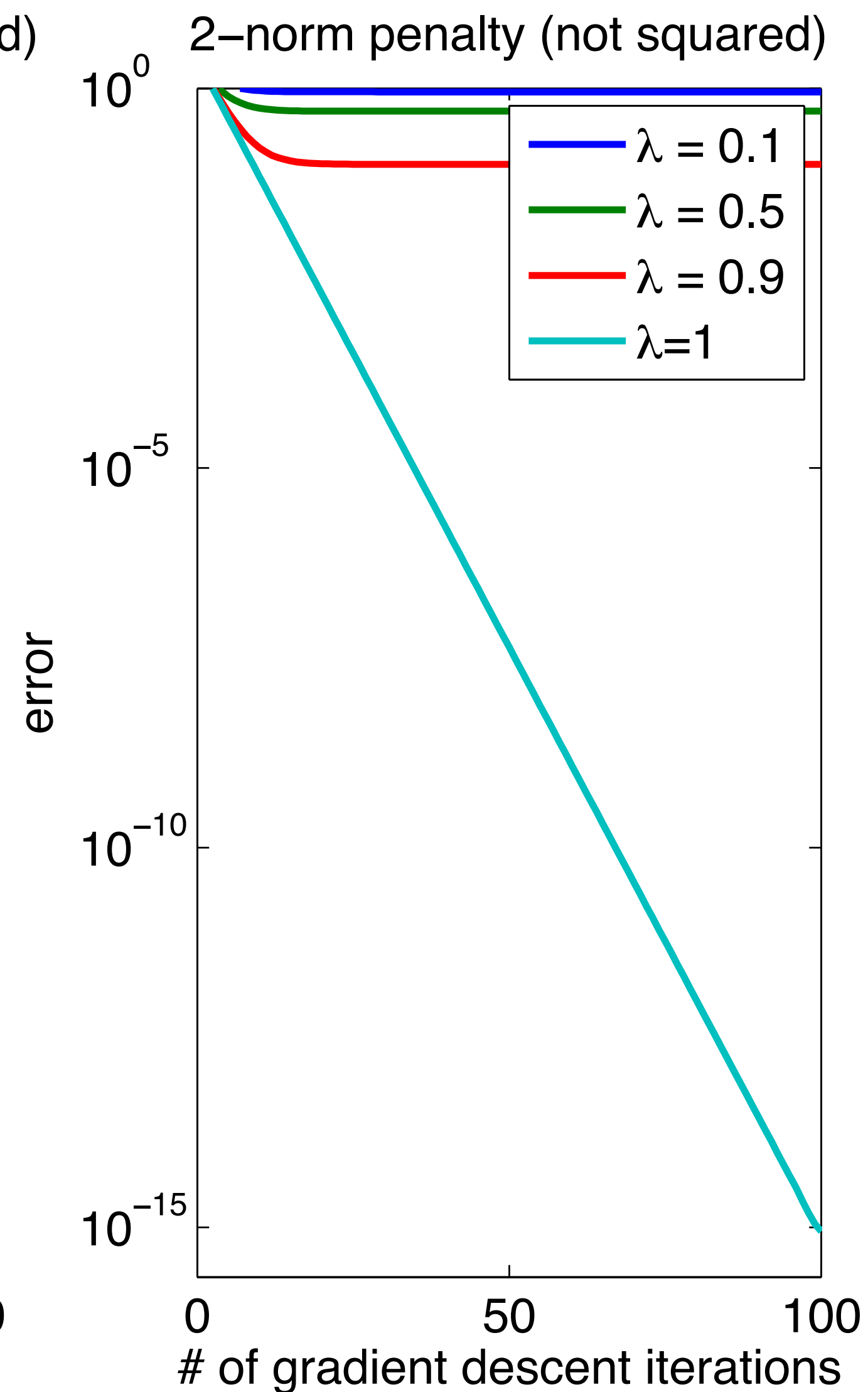
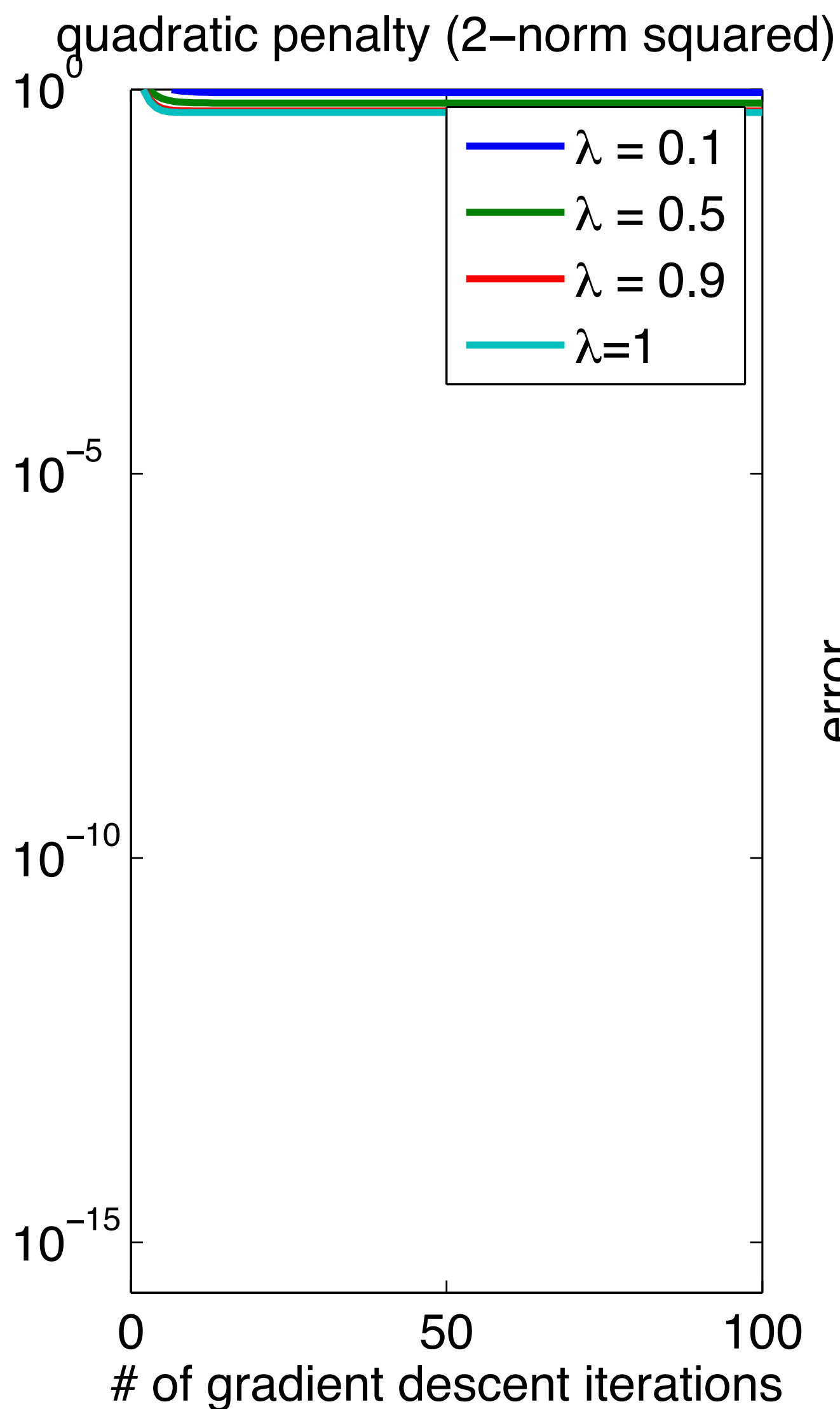
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Gradient filtering:

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If the gradient filter  $F$  is the inverse Hessian, this is just Newton's method

Can work if  $F$  is definite positive

Potential problems:

- filtered gradient may not be a gradient of the objective anymore
- **no obvious way to include multiple filters**

## A few regularization strategies

Multiple constrained formulation:

$$\underset{\mathbf{m}}{\text{minimize}} f(\mathbf{m}) \quad \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{m} \in \mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2$$

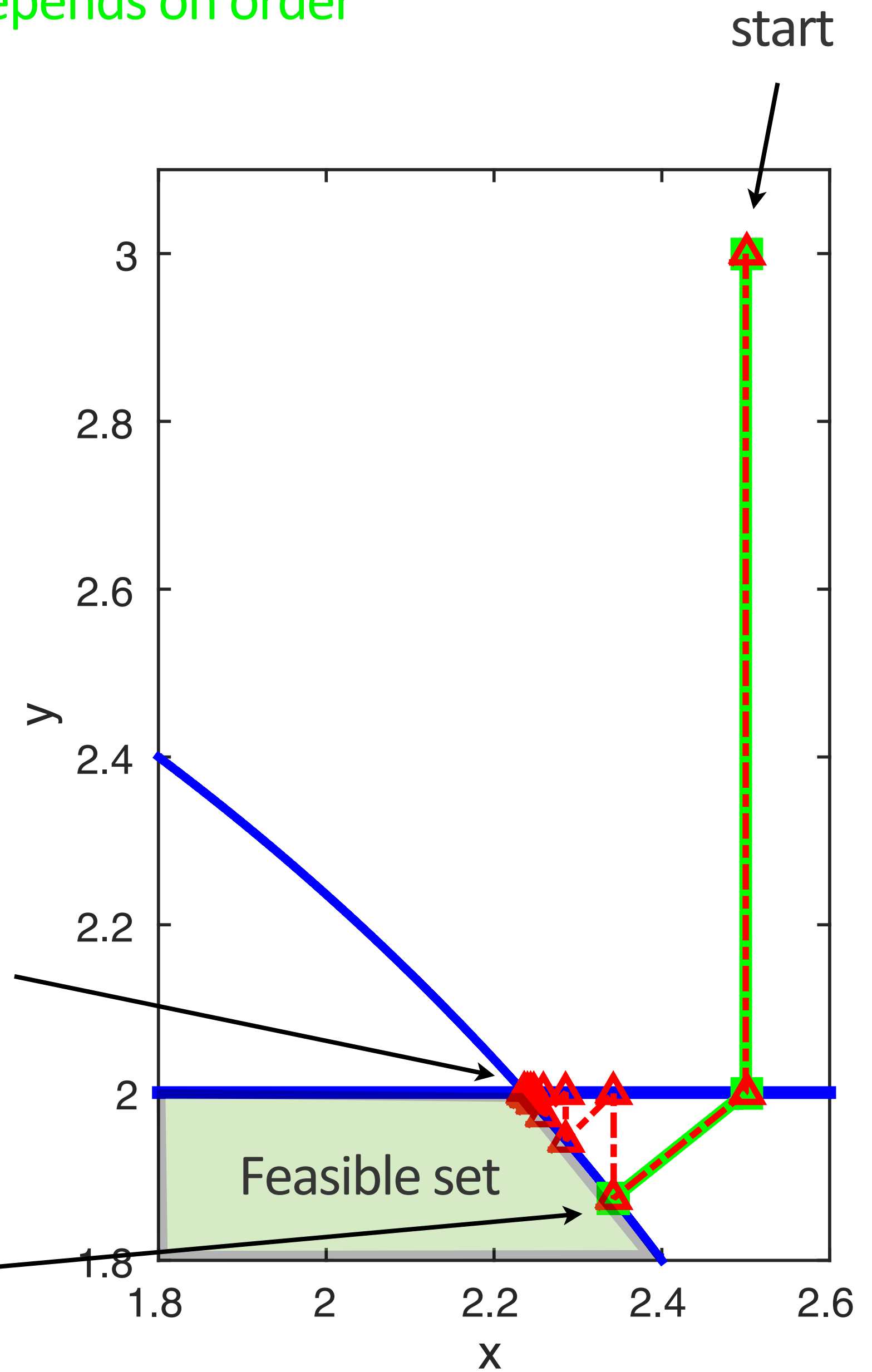
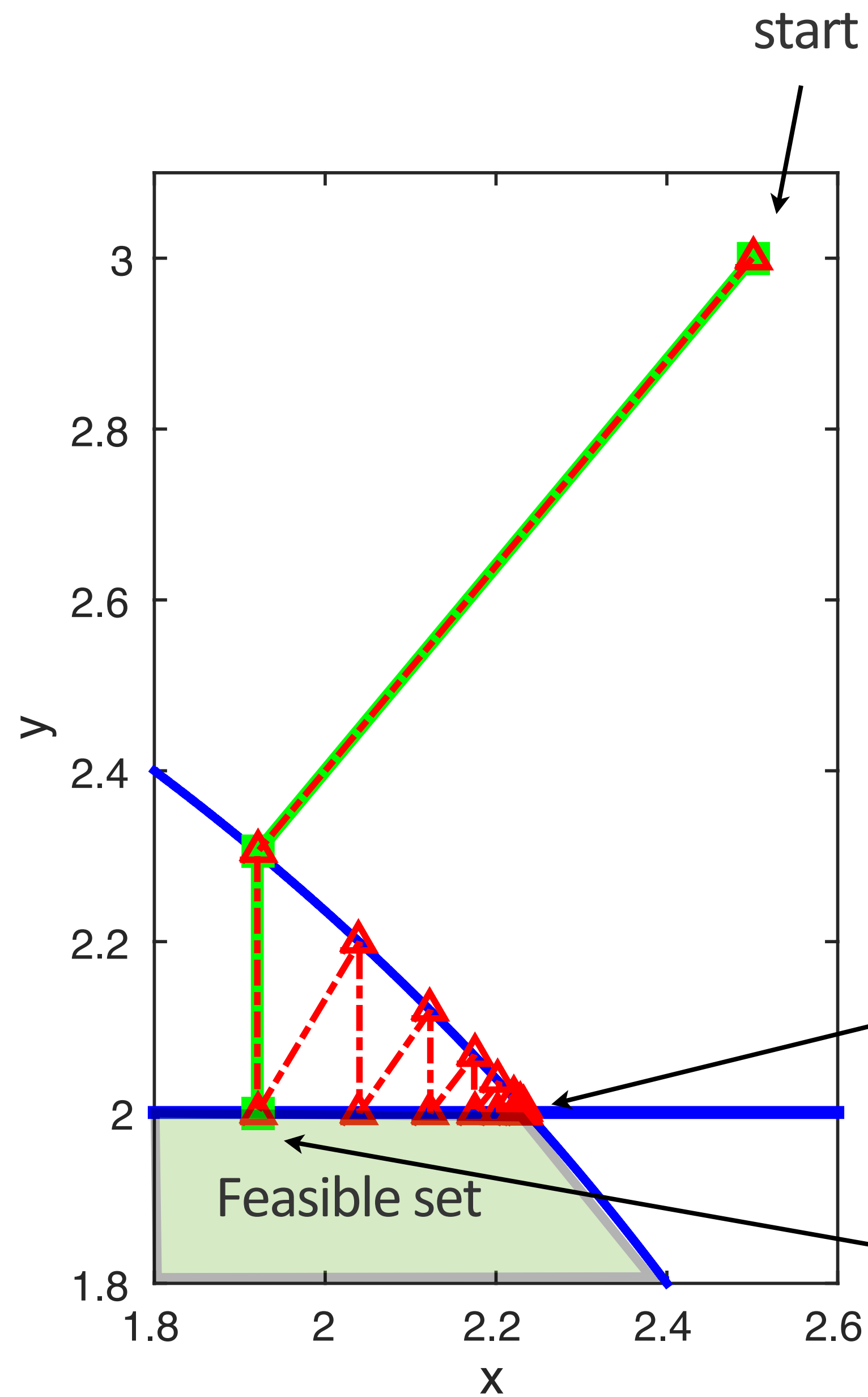
“Find a model which satisfies all pieces of prior info simultaneously...”

- constraints can be satisfied at every iteration
- works w/ gradient/quasi-Newton/Newton-type methods as a black box
- can define more than two constraint-sets
- no weights or other parameters required, just define the sets

**Challenge: to impose multiple constraints uniquely...**

# POCS vs our method

SLIM (red) --> unique solution  
 POCS (green) --> depends on order



## Prior information as intersection

Projections w/ proximal operators :

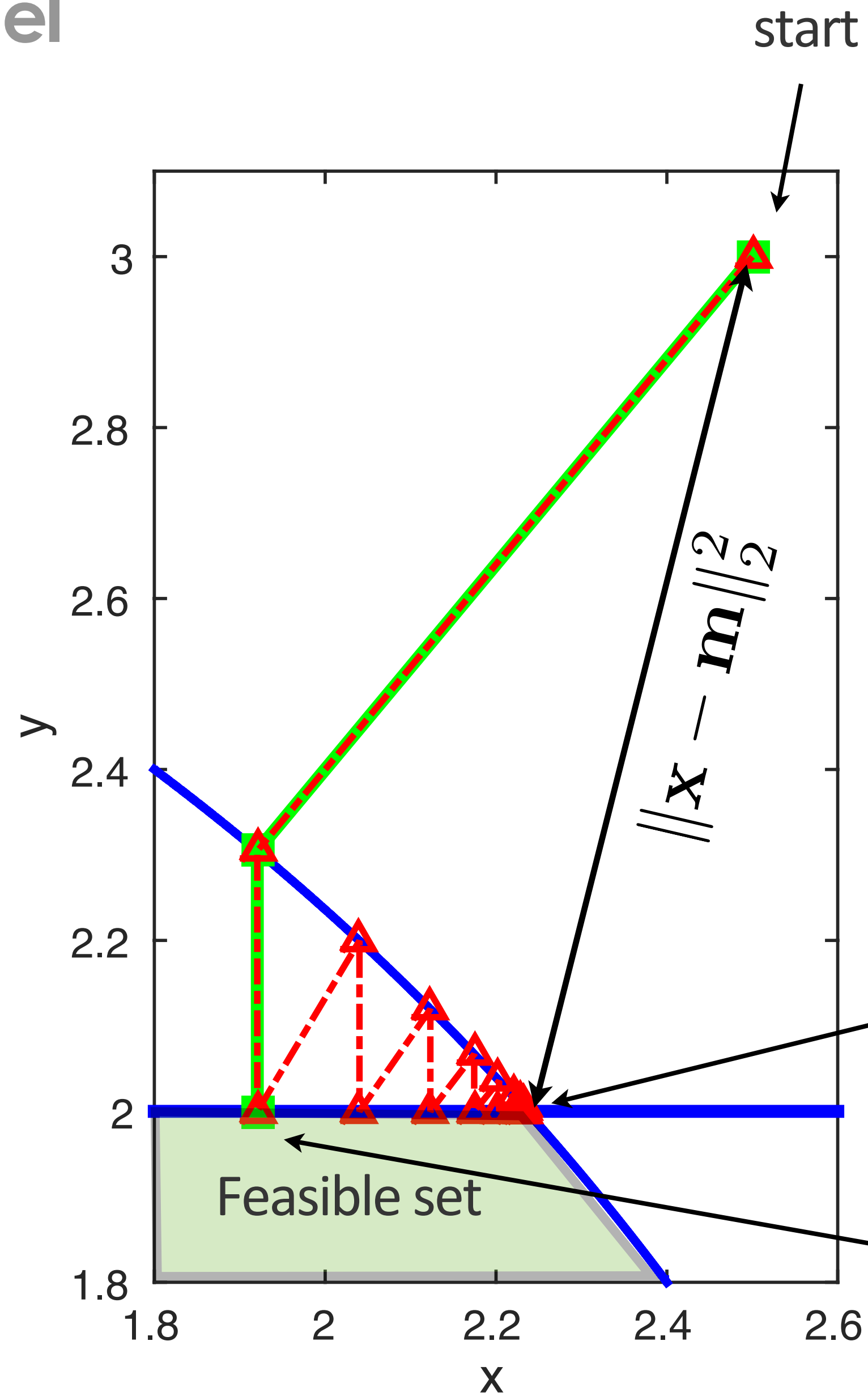
$$\mathcal{P}_C(\mathbf{m}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{m}\|_2^2 \quad \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2$$

**In words:** *find closest (Euclidean minimum-distance projection) model subject to being in the intersection of the constraints.*

Important property:  $\mathcal{P}_C(\mathbf{m}) = \mathcal{P}_C(\mathcal{P}_C(\mathbf{m}))$

# Our method— finds closest model

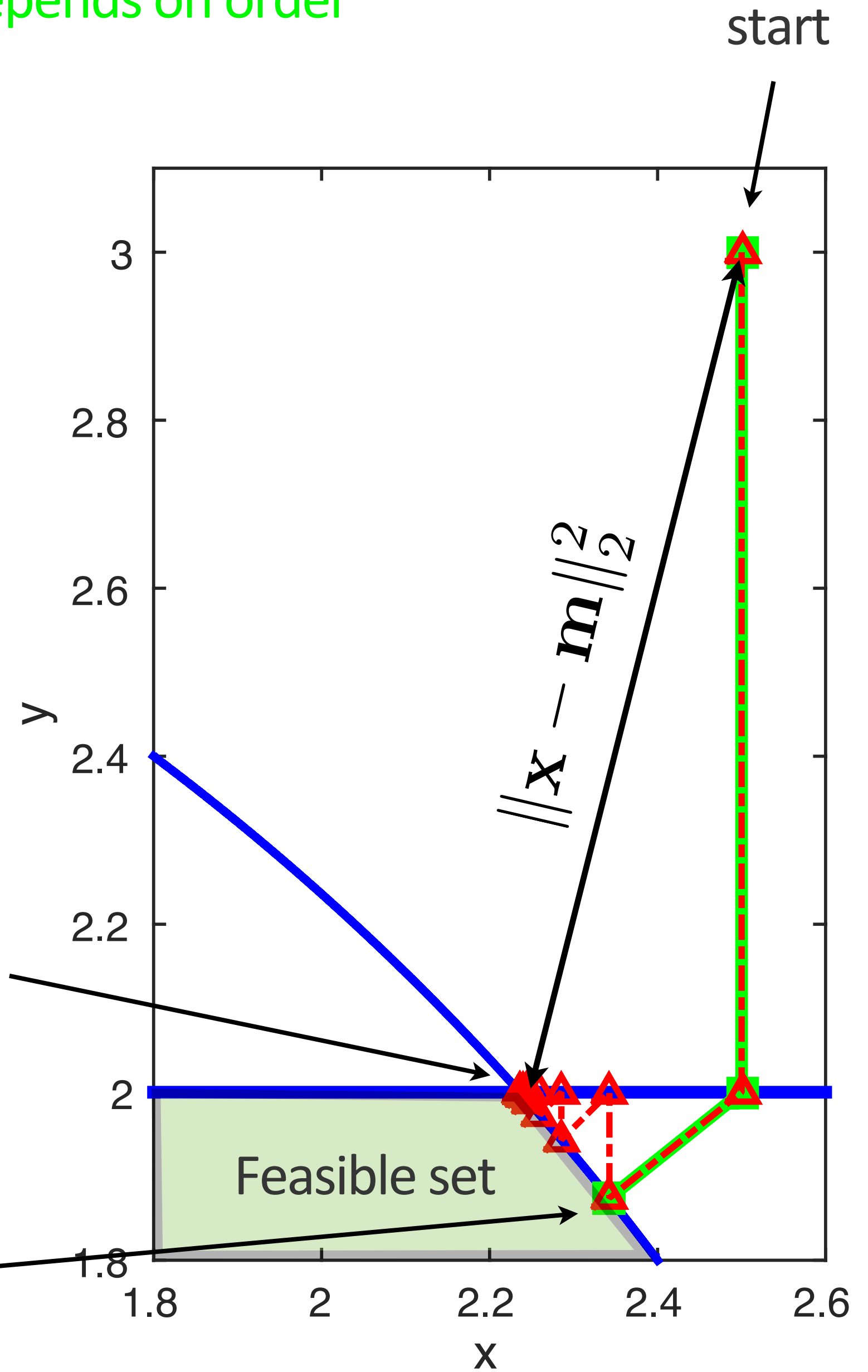
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Intersection of  
 circle  
 &  
 square

SLIM's solution

POCS



## Multiple-constrained formulation

Alternating Projections Onto Convex Sets (POCS) lead to

- ▶ new models that can be far from the original model
- ▶ project on each set separately => ambiguous results (depends on the order)

Alternating projections w/ proximal operators

- ▶ finds the closest model subject to the constraints
- ▶ but needs extra work so we project onto the intersection
- ▶ **get unique projections on these intersections**

## Algorithmic development

$$\min_{\mathbf{m}} f(\mathbf{m}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{m} \in \mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2$$

$\mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2$  is convex if  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  are convex

We would like the model to be in  $\mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2$  at every iteration

One possibility:

$$\min_{\mathbf{m}} f(\mathbf{m}) + \iota_{\mathcal{C}_1}(\mathbf{m}) + \iota_{\mathcal{C}_2}(\mathbf{m})$$

$$\iota_{\mathcal{C}}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{C}, \\ +\infty & \text{if } x \notin \mathcal{C}. \end{cases}$$

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$$\min_{\mathbf{m}} f(\mathbf{m}) + \iota_{\mathcal{C}_1}(\mathbf{m}) + \iota_{\mathcal{C}_2}(\mathbf{m}) \quad \rightarrow \text{not differentiable}$$

Can use forward-backward splitting / proximal-gradient algorithms.



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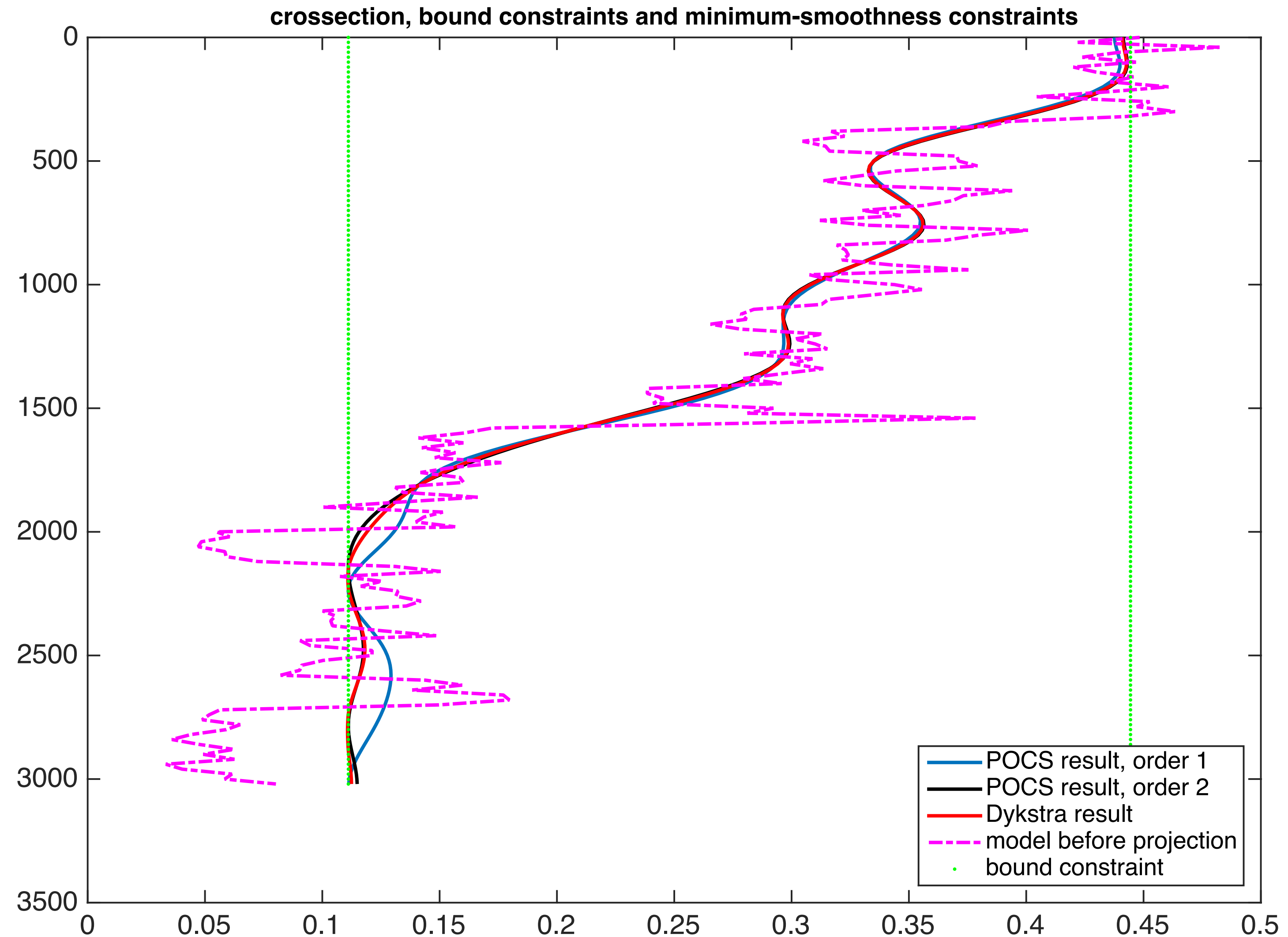
Project onto an intersection of convex sets:

- sometimes known analytically
- otherwise compute numerically; Dykstra's algorithm is used in this work

# POCS vs our method

Projection of a noisy Marmousi model onto the intersection of bound constraints & minimum-smoothness constraints

also shows the POCS results which are very different.



# Dykstra splitting

## Toy example:

find projection onto intersection of a circle and a square

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### Algorithm 1 Dykstra.

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$$x_0 = \mathbf{m}, p_0 = \mathbf{0}, q_0 = \mathbf{0}$$

For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$

$$y_k = \mathcal{P}_{C_1}(x_k + p_k)$$

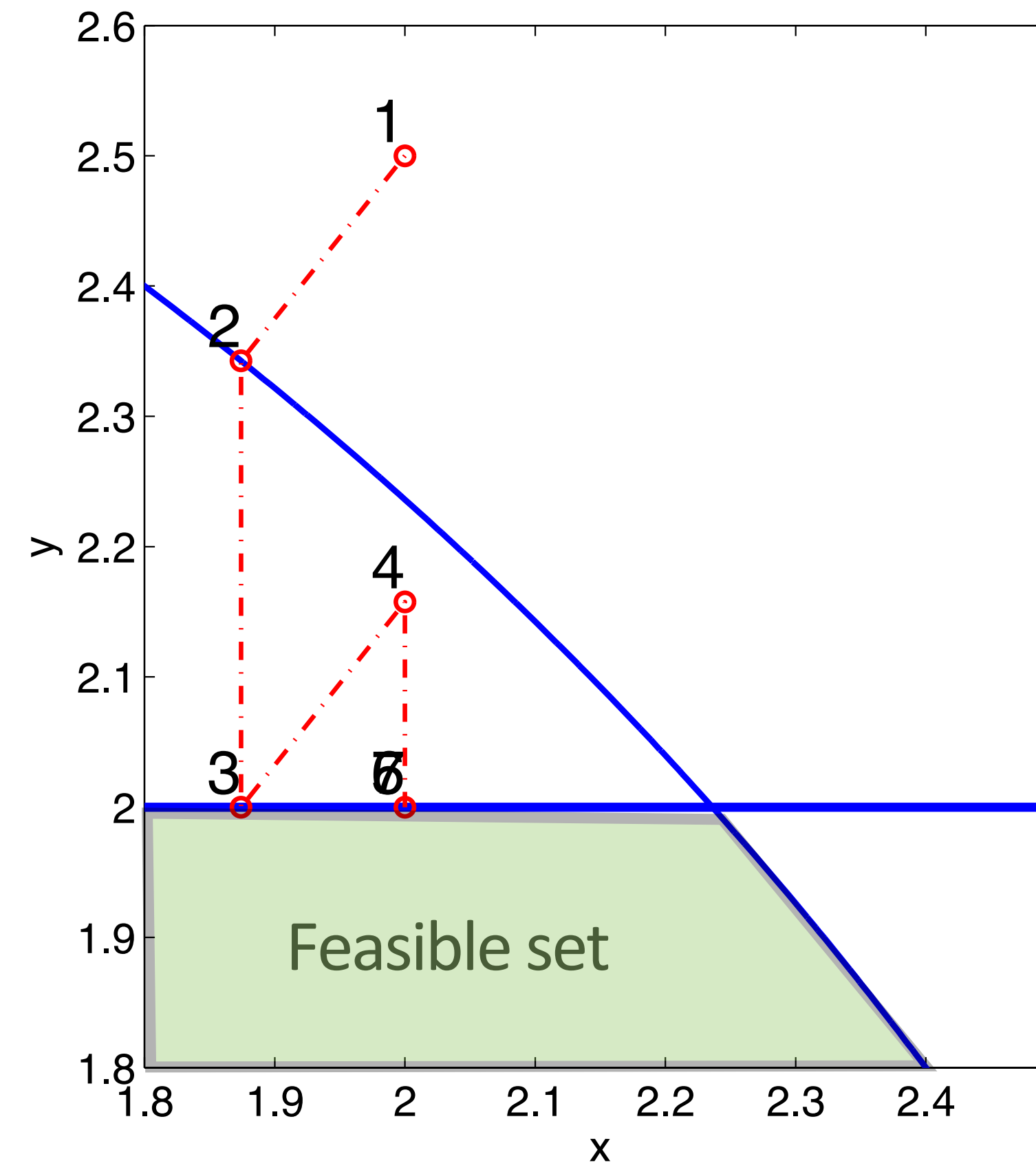
$$p_{k+1} = x_k + p_k - y_k$$

$$x_{k+1} = \mathcal{P}_{C_2}(y_k + q_k)$$

$$q_{k+1} = y_k + q_k - x_{k+1}$$

End

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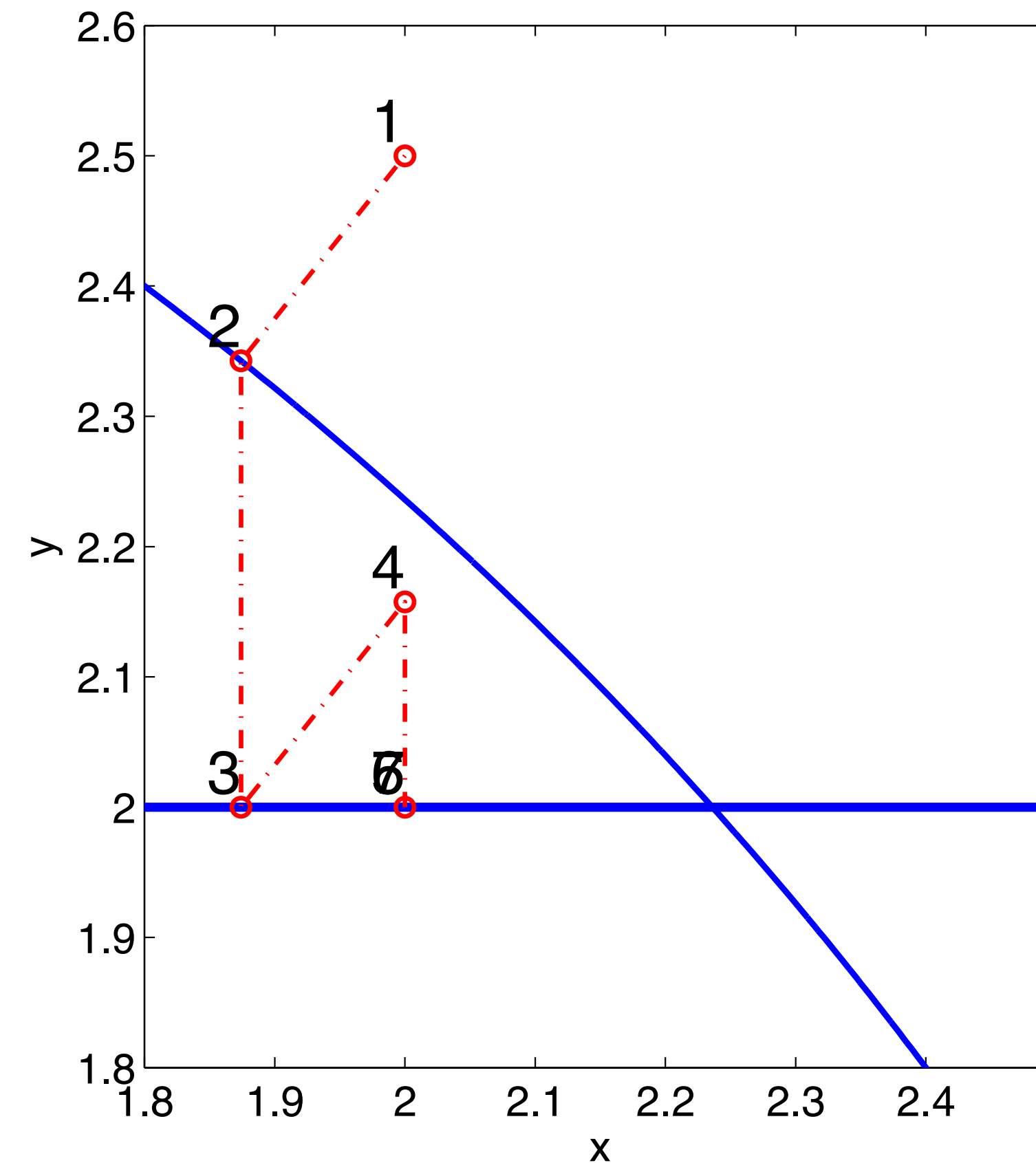
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only need projection onto each set separately

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$$y_k = \mathcal{P}_{C_1}(x_k + p_k)$$

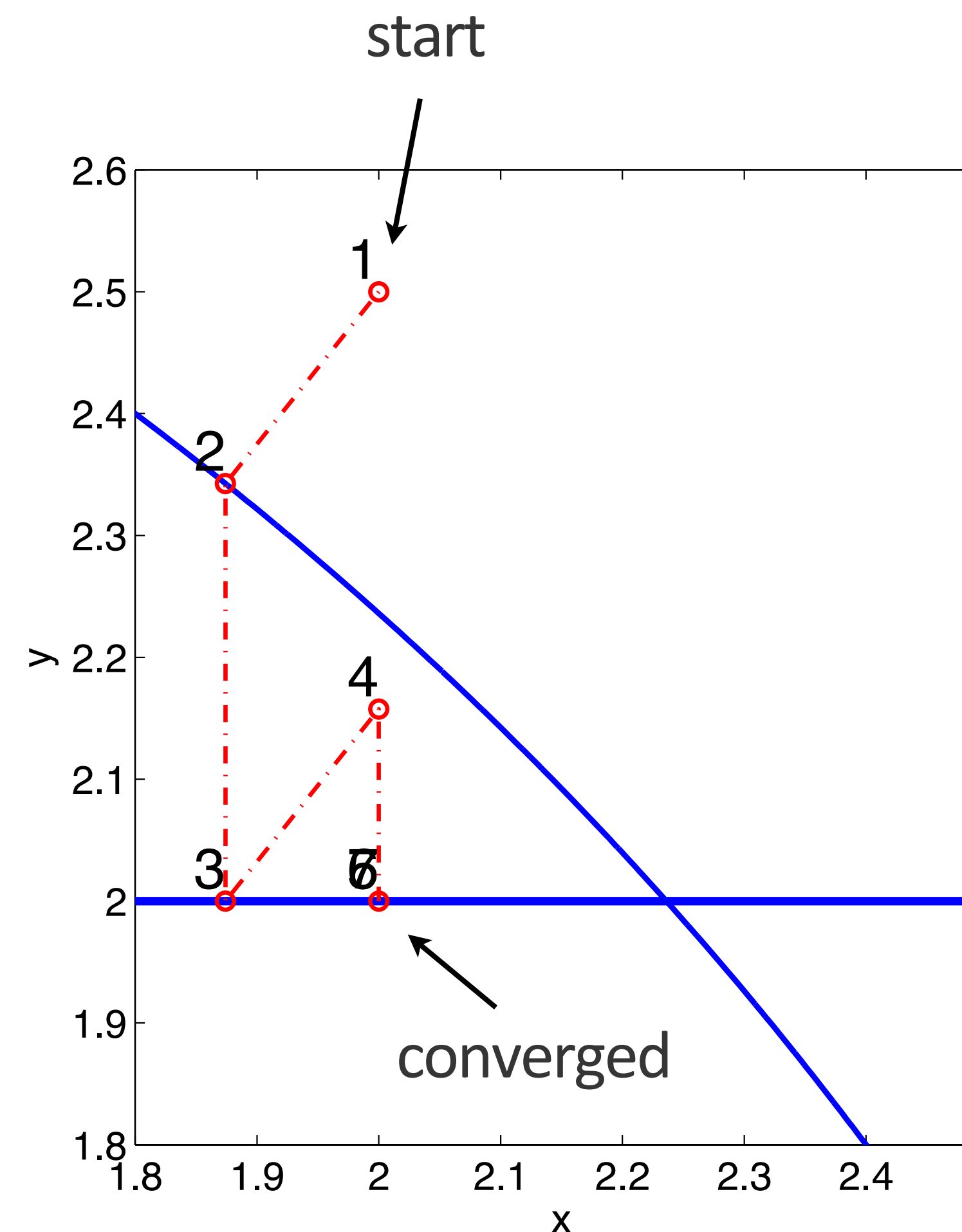
$$p_{k+1} = x_k + p_k - y_k$$

$$x_{k+1} = \mathcal{P}_{C_2}(y_k + q_k)$$

$$q_{k+1} = y_k + q_k - x_{k+1}$$

End

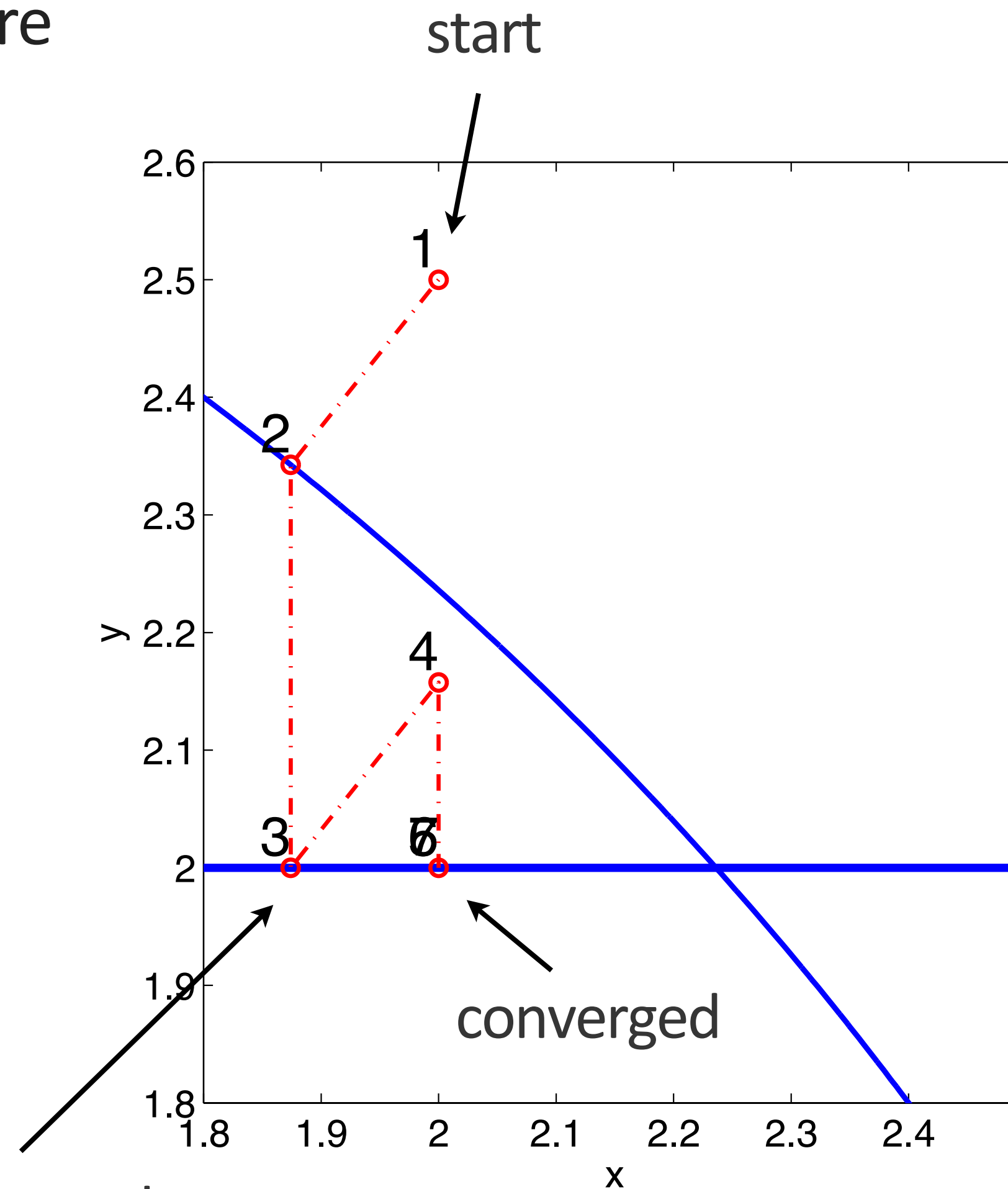
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# Dykstra splitting

## Toy example:

find projection onto intersection of a circle and a square

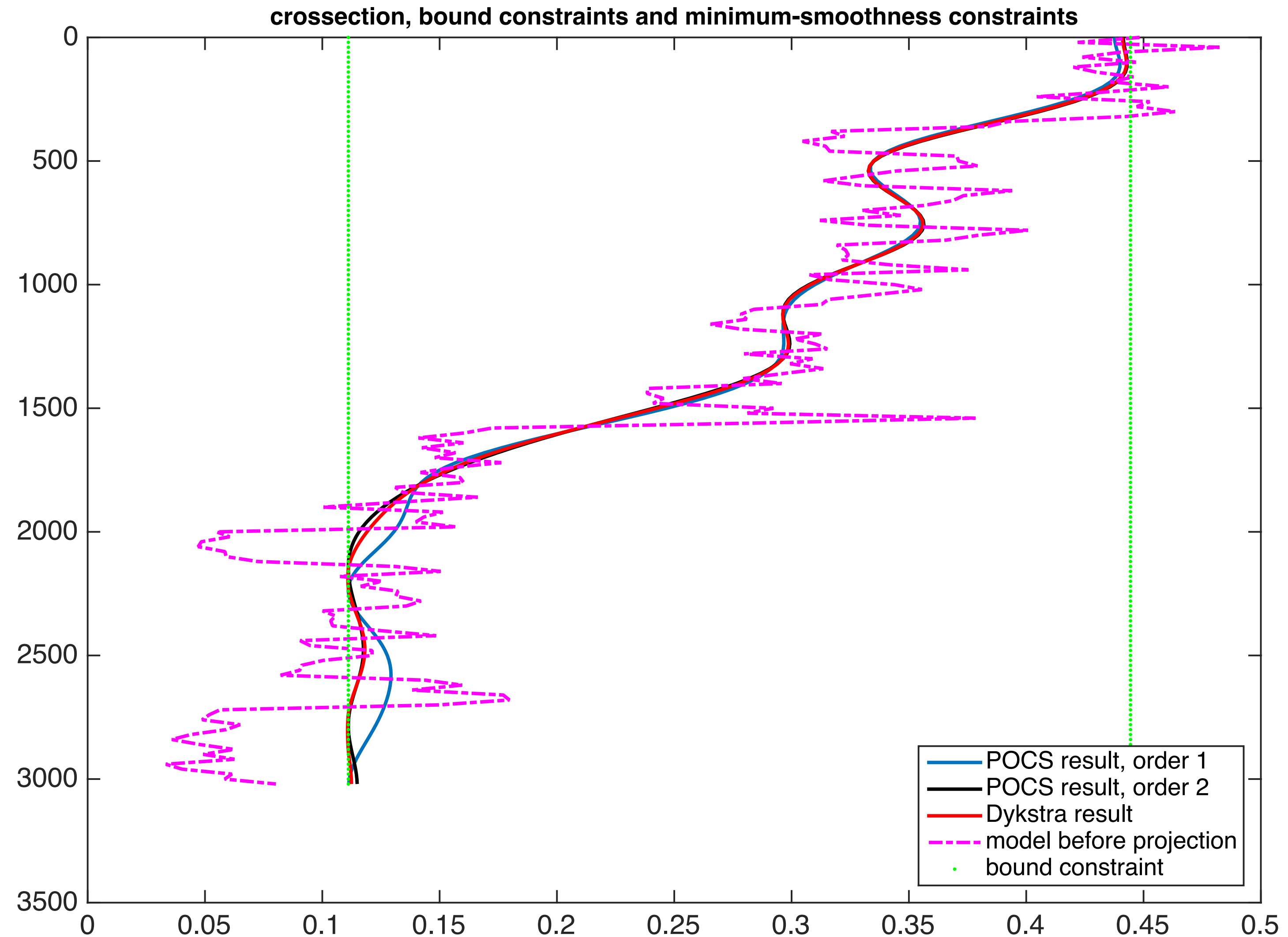


POCS would converge here,  
feasible point, not the projection onto

# POCS vs Dykstra

Projection of a noisy Marmousi model onto the intersection of bound constraints & minimum-smoothness constraints

also shows the POCS results which are very different.



# Dykstra splitting

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Dykstra's algorithm solves:

$$\min_x \iota_{\mathcal{C}_1}(x) + \iota_{\mathcal{C}_2}(x) + \frac{1}{2} \|x - y\|^2$$

with indicator function:

$$\iota_{\mathcal{C}}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{C}, \\ +\infty & \text{if } x \notin \mathcal{C}. \end{cases}$$



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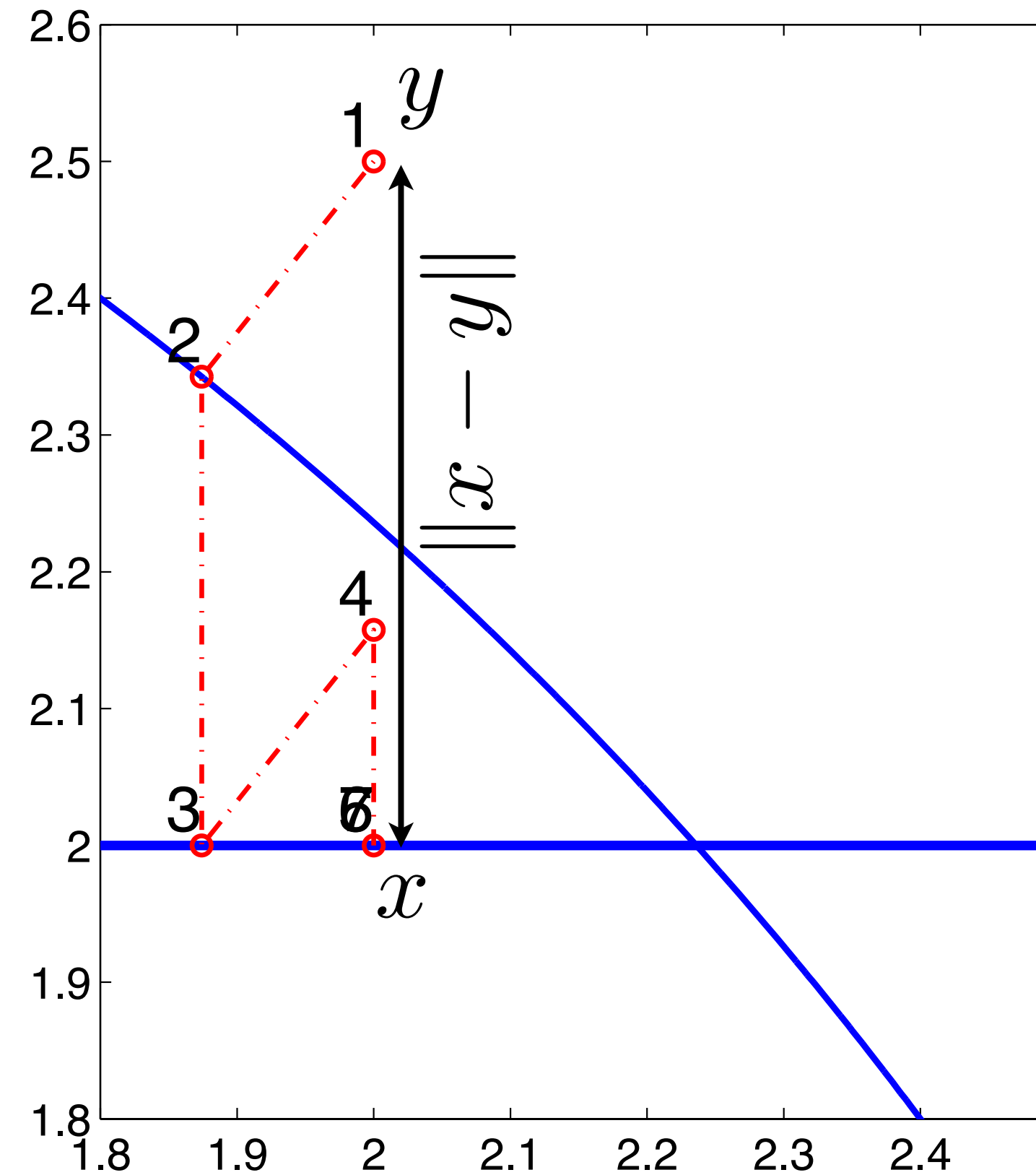
find  $x \in \mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2$  find any point in the intersection,  
may be the closest point

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## Prior information as convex sets

**example 1:** (spatially varying) bound constraints:

$$\mathcal{C}_1 \equiv \{\mathbf{m} \mid \mathbf{b}_l \leq \mathbf{m} \leq \mathbf{b}_u\}$$

Projector: (element-wise)

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{C}_1}(\mathbf{m}) = \text{median}\{\mathbf{b}_l, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{b}_u\}$$

## Bound constraints on vertical derivative

$$\mathcal{C} \equiv \{\mathbf{m}_i \mid \mathbf{b}_i^l \leq A\mathbf{m}_i \leq \mathbf{b}_i^u\} \text{ with } A = I_n \otimes D_z$$

Interpretation:

Limit the medium parameter variation per distance unit.

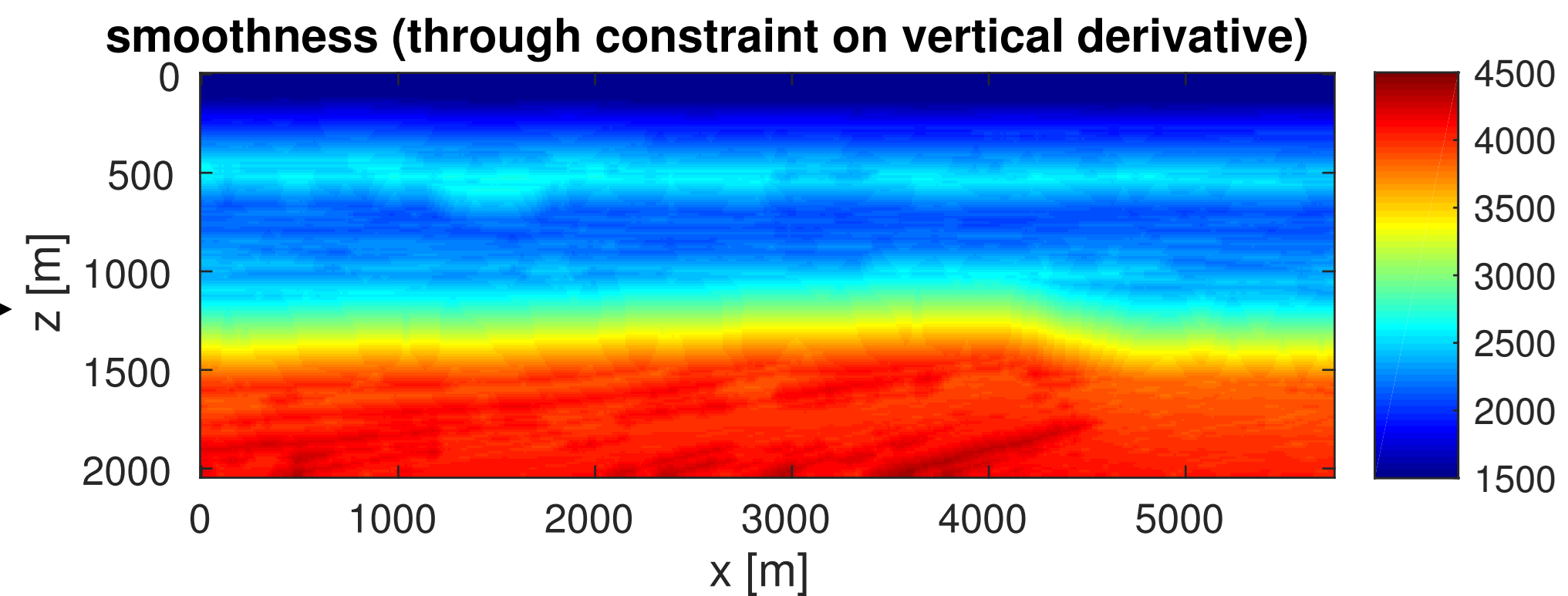
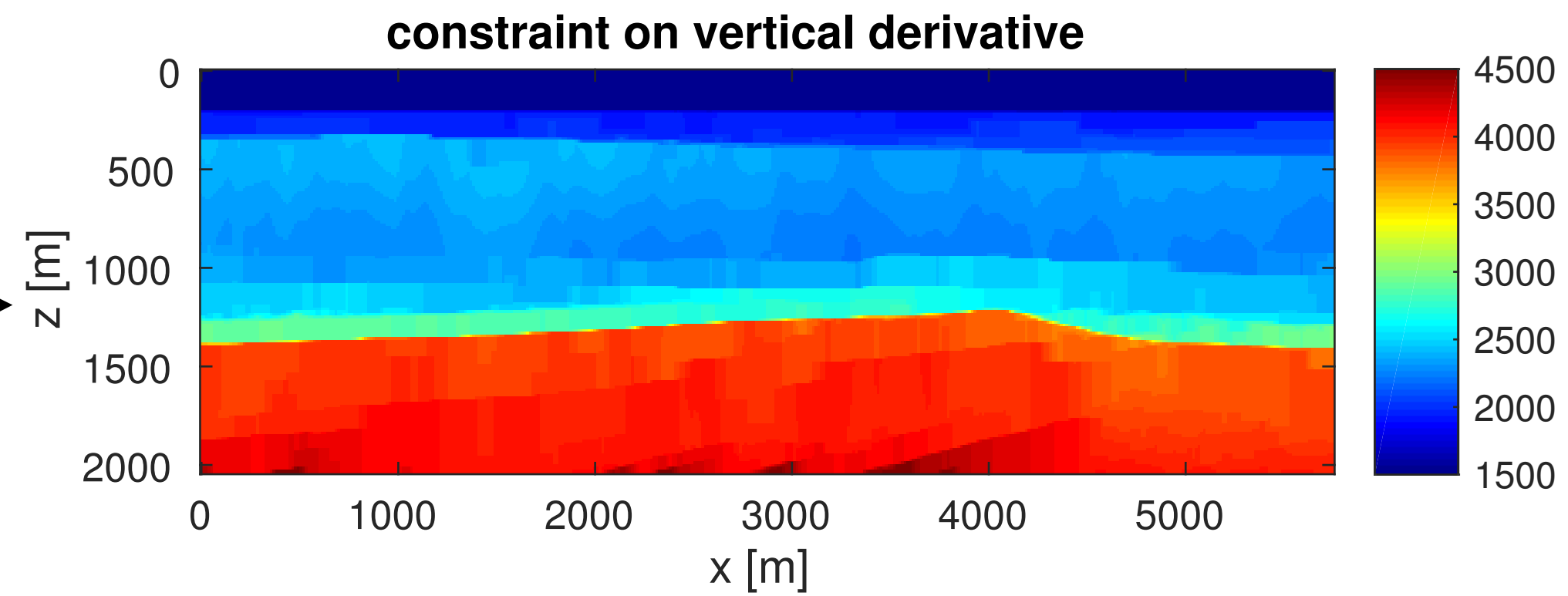
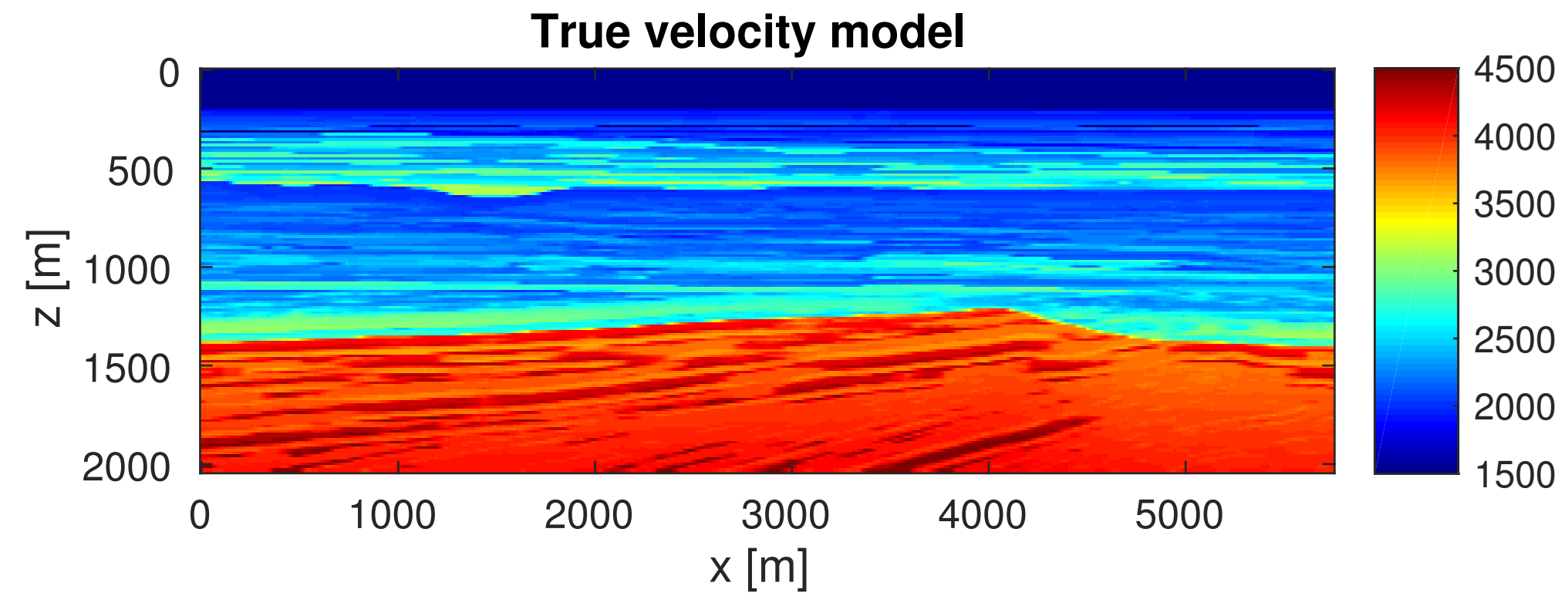
$$D_z = \frac{1}{h_z} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & & & \\ & -1 & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Can select different bounds for each gridpoint.

# Smoothness & bound constraints on vertical derivative

arbitrary medium parameter increase,  
limited medium parameter decrease  
with depth - induces monotonicity

limited increase and limited decrease  
induces vertical smoothness

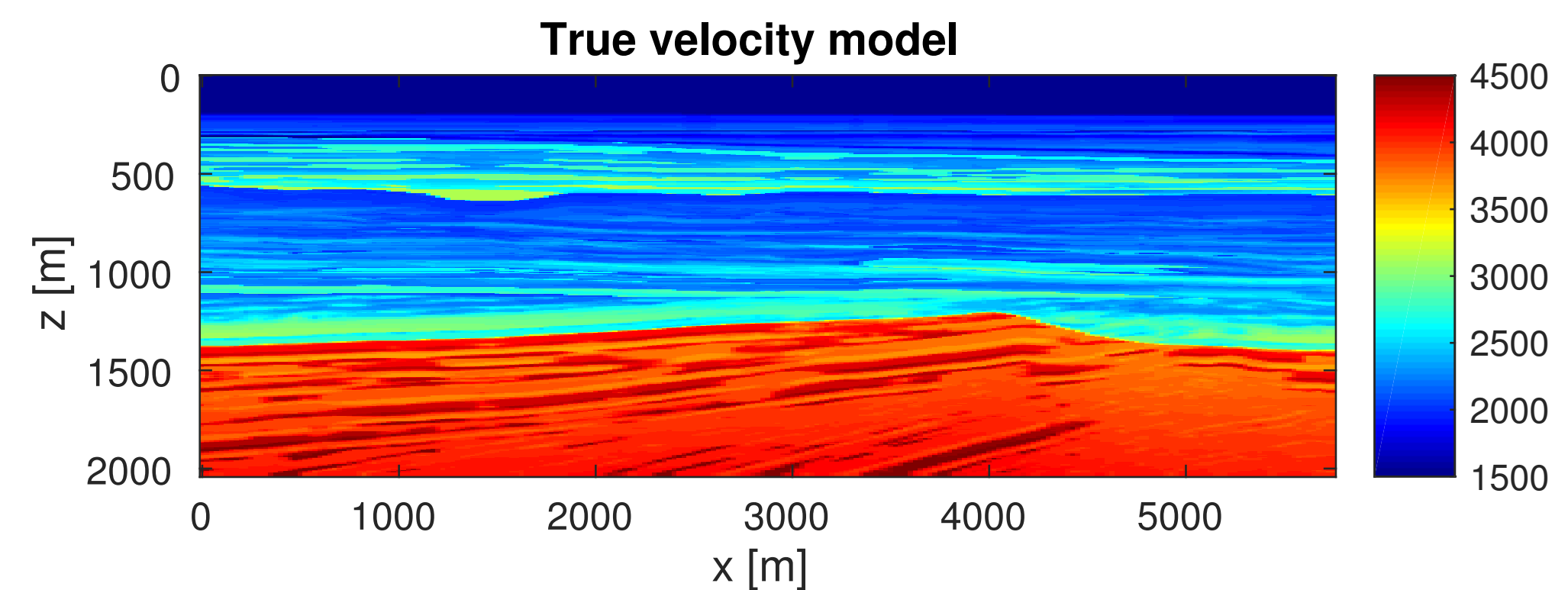
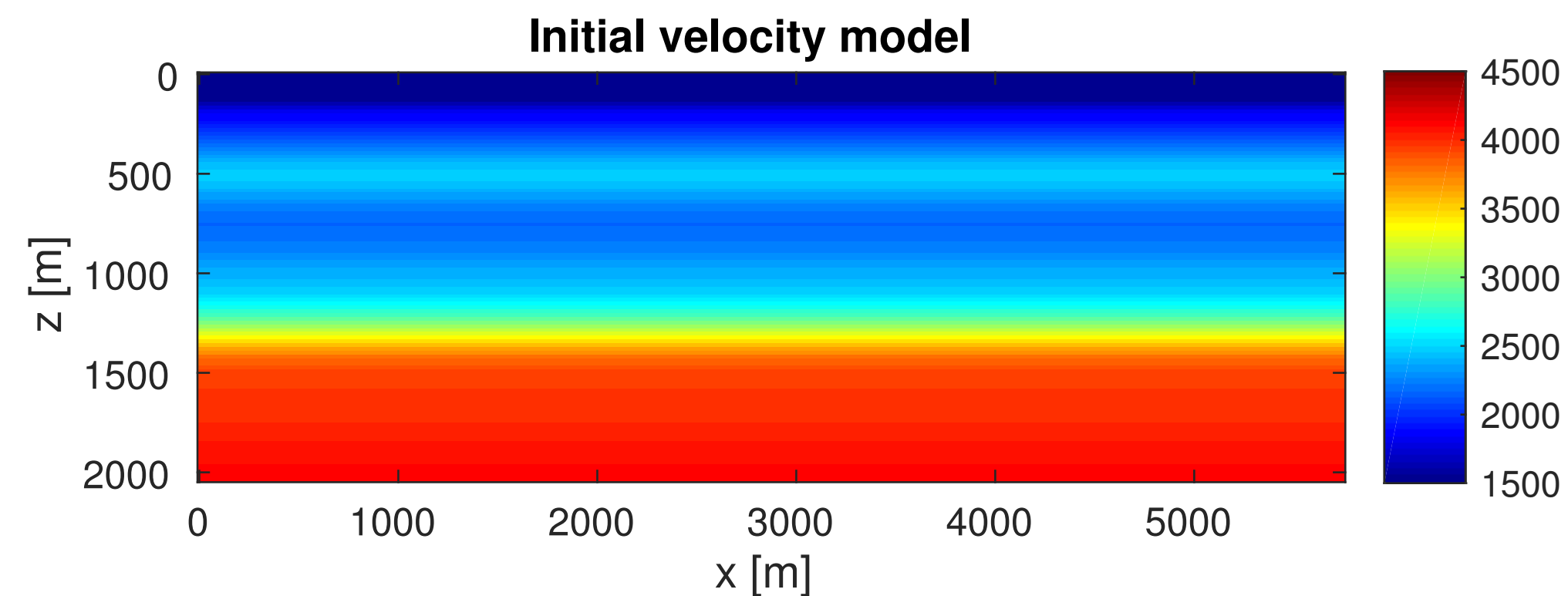


# Frequency domain FWI example 1 - noisy data

Frequency batches:

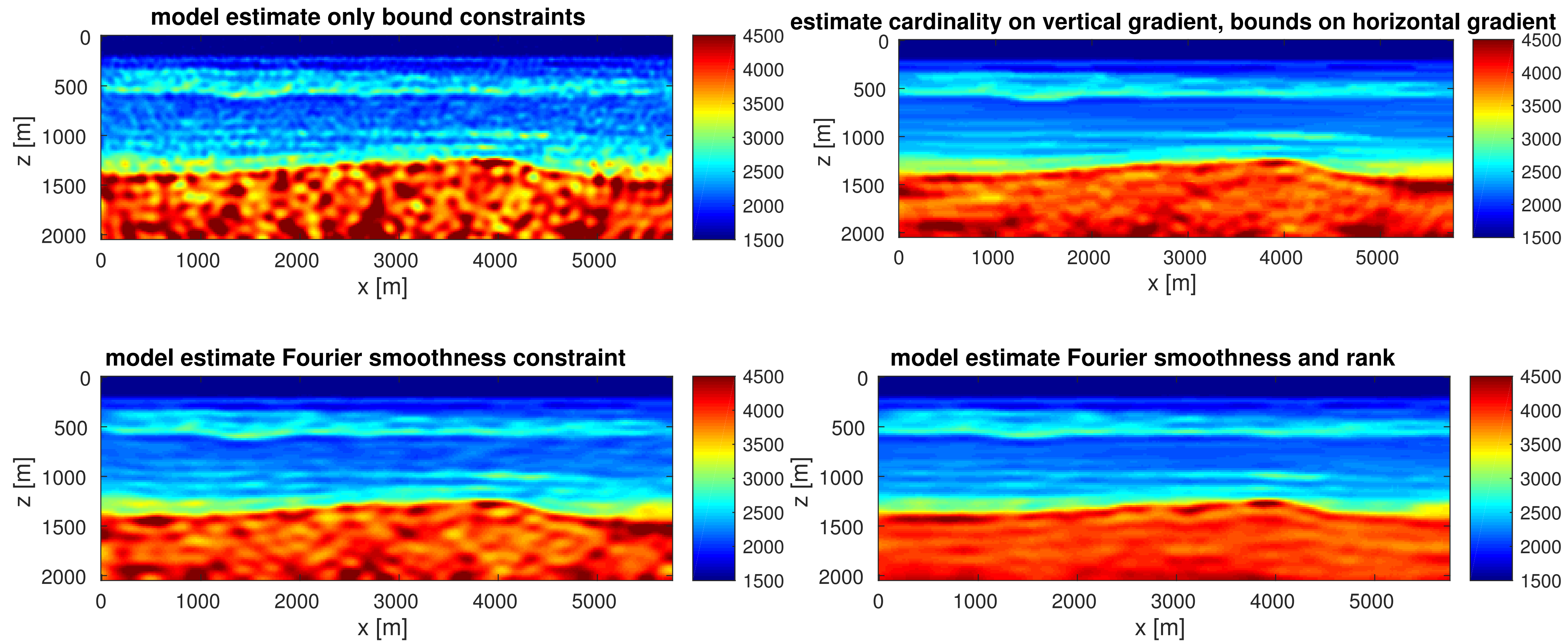
$\{3, 3.33, 3.67, 4\}, \{4, 4.33, 4.67, 5\}, \{\dots\}, \{12, 12.33, 12.67, 13\}$

$$\|\text{noise}\|_2 / \|\text{signal}\|_2 = 1$$





# Frequency domain FWI example 1 - noisy data



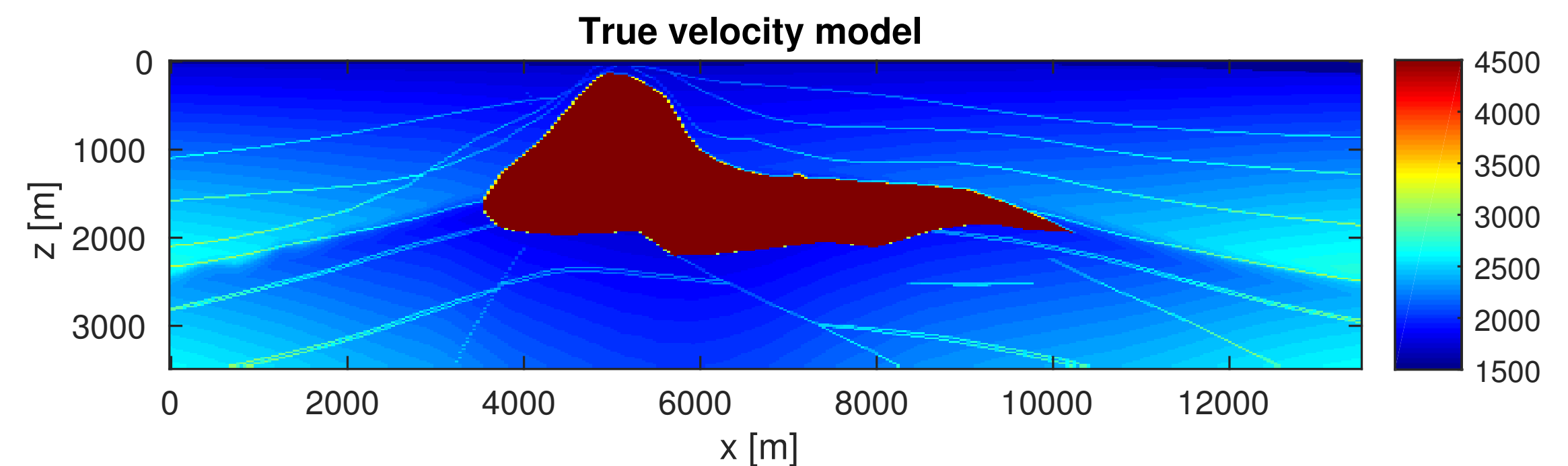
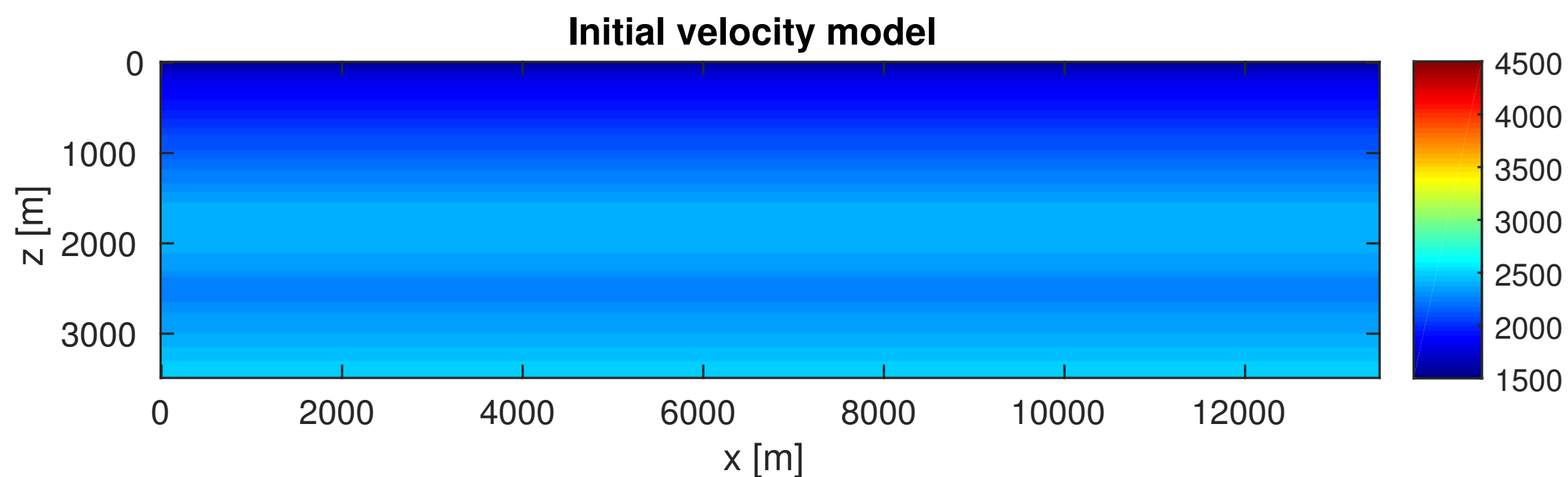


## Frequency domain FWI example 2 - Salt structure

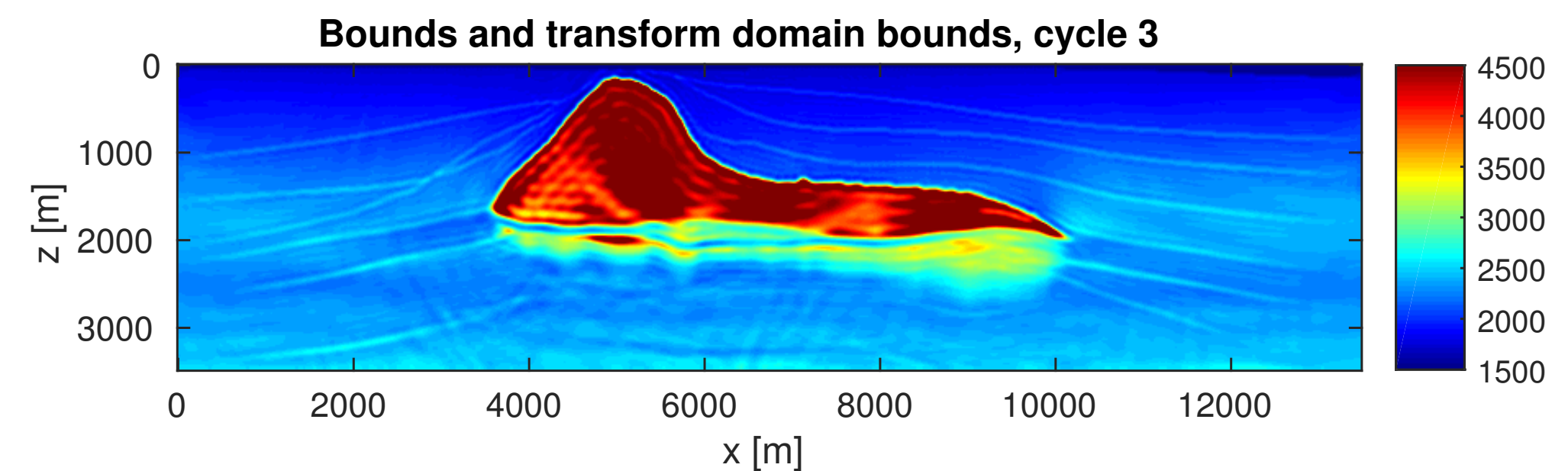
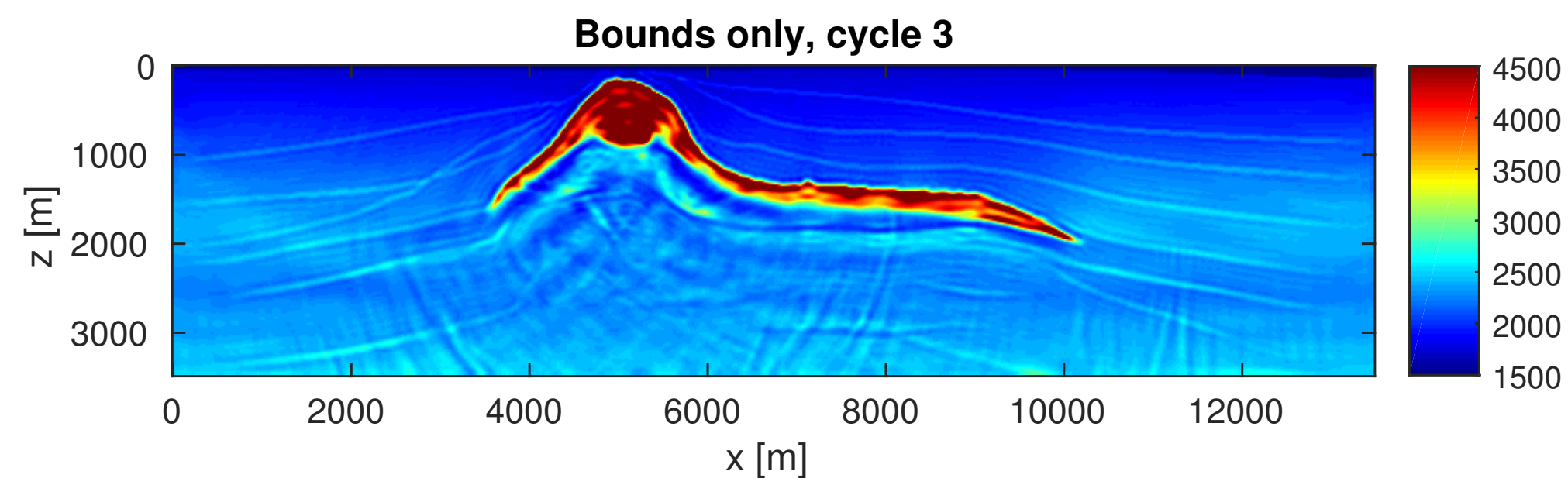
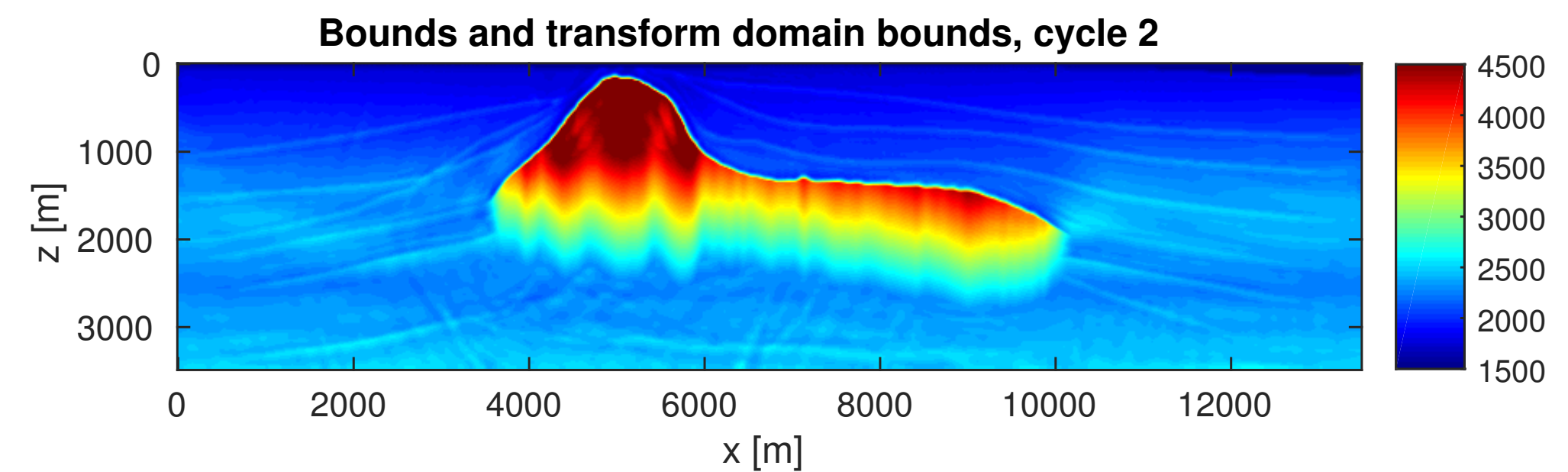
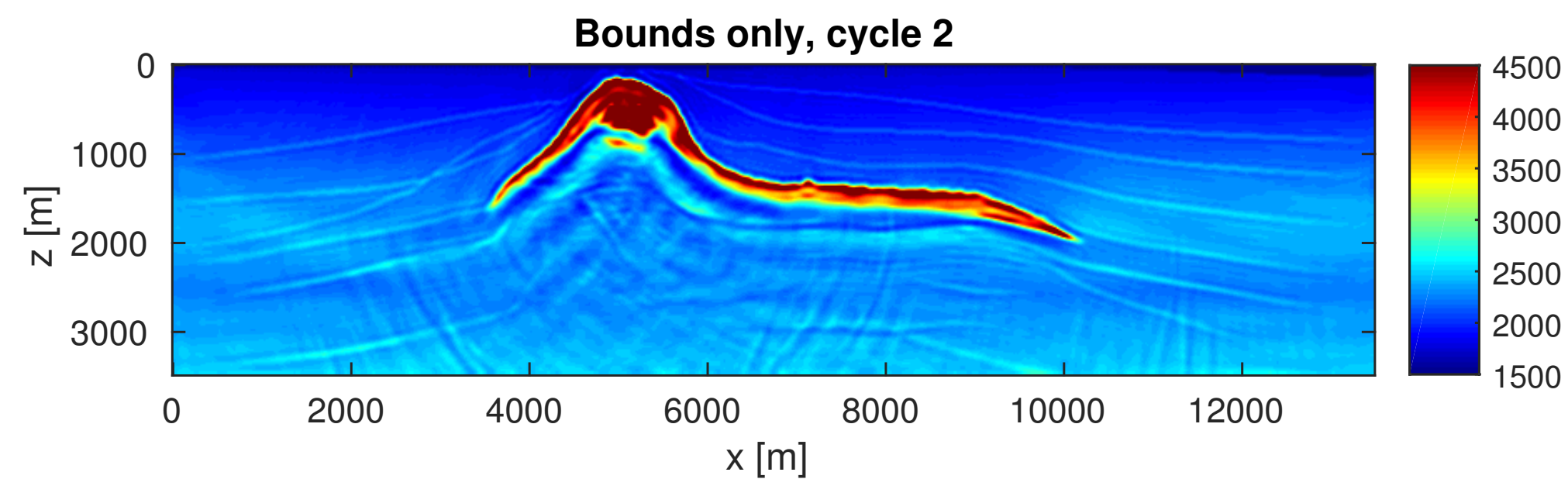
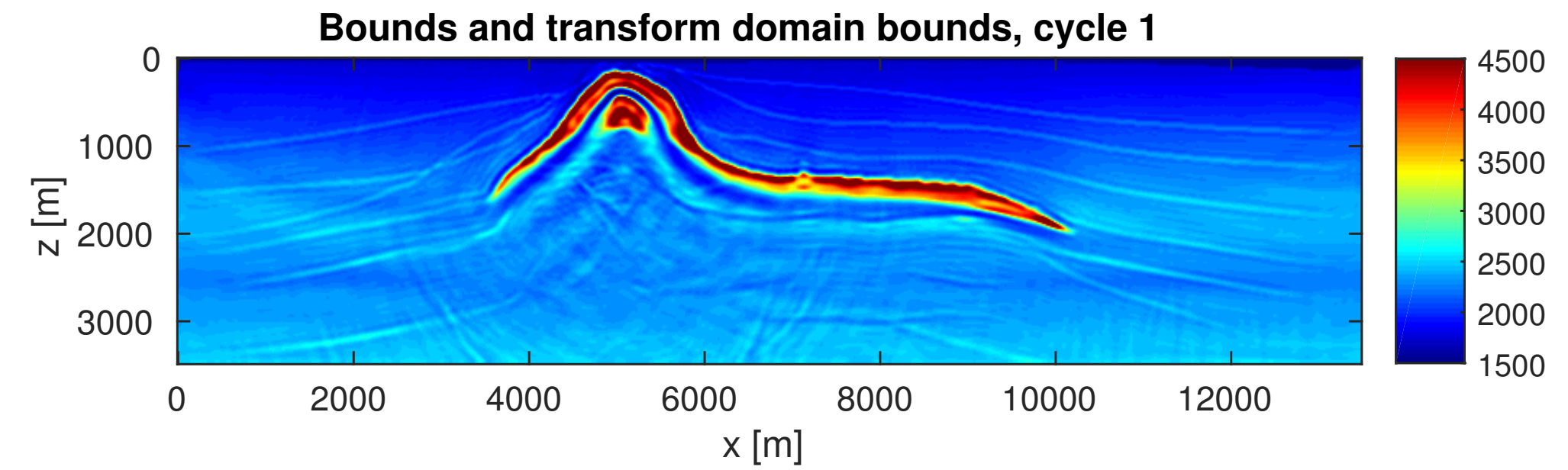
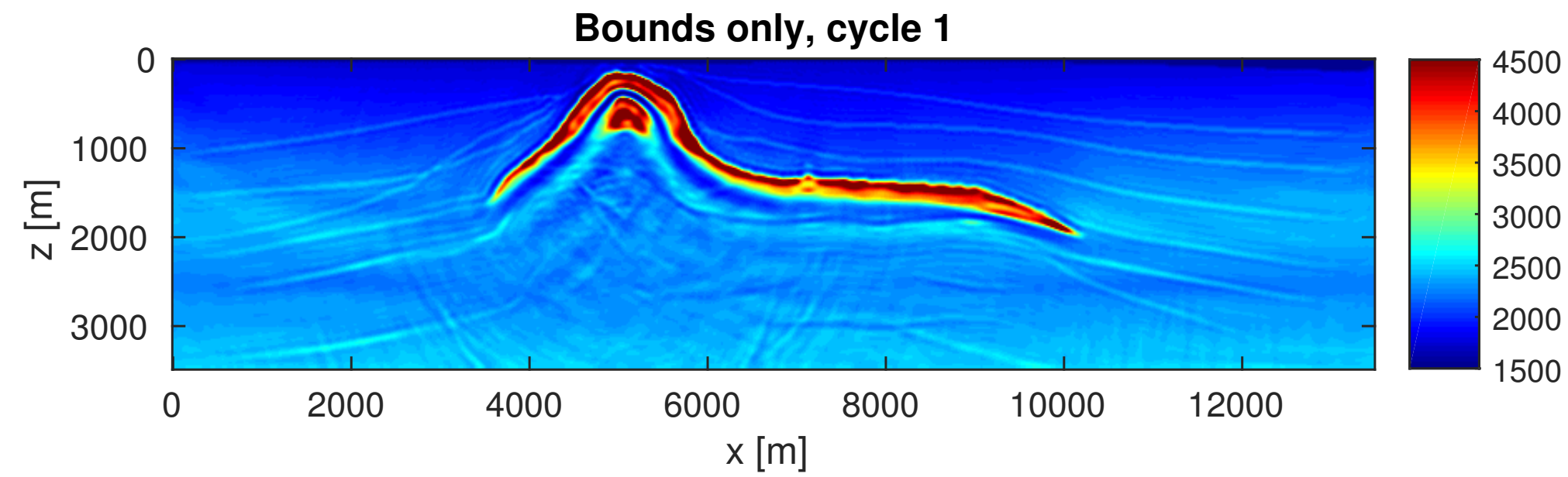
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Strategy: 1st cycle bounds only  $\rightarrow$  2nd cycle bounds & transform-domain bounds  $\rightarrow$  3rd cycle bounds only

Bounds on vertical gradient set to allow arbitrary velocity jumps up & require smooth decrease of velocity with depth.



# Frequency domain FWI example 2 - Salt structure



## Algorithmic development

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Generally not, when using the Euclidean projection and general  $B(\mathbf{m}_k)$

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Projected Quasi-Newton [M. Schmidt et. al., 2009]

- solves quadratic sub-problem with constraints using the spectral projected-gradient algorithm (inexactly)
- L-BFGS Hessian

Projected Newton-type:

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- efficient if approximate Hessian is 'easy to invert'

# Algorithmic development

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$$Q(\mathbf{m}) = f(\mathbf{m}_k) + (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_k)^* \nabla_{\mathbf{m}} f(\mathbf{m}_k) + (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_k)^* B_k (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_k)$$

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- efficient if approximate Hessian is 'easy to invert' (factored Hessian, sparse & well conditioned, diagonal)

Multiple algorithms can solve the constrained sub-problem

We use Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers (ADMM)

# Algorithmic development

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- can be reformulated as: [M. Schmidt et. al., 2011]

$$\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{m}_k - B_k^{-1} \nabla_{\mathbf{m}} f(\mathbf{m}_k) \quad (\text{unconstrained Newton-step})$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{k+1} = \min_{\mathbf{m} \in \mathcal{C}_1 \cap \mathcal{C}_2} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{m}\|_{B_k}^2 \quad (\text{projection w.r.t. metric induced by the approximate Hessian})$$



## Algorithmic development

Projection methods do not modify the gradient or Hessian.

Instead, they find an updated model which still satisfies the constraints.

## Workflow summary

1. Define convex feasible sets, possibly velocity & frequency dependent
2. Set up Dykstra's algorithm for projection onto intersections of sets
3. Set up an algorithm to solve the quadratic sub-problem with constraints (ADMM)
4. Solve waveform inversion problem using the a Projected Newton-type algorithm

# Observations

Constraints are a powerful method to regularize FWI

- ▶ imposed on every iteration
- ▶ parameters intuitive to choose
- ▶ unambiguous results

Is leading to major breakthroughs as long we can design clever constraints...

## Relation to other work

Using projection onto convex sets to constrain full-wavefield inversion

Patent number: 9140812 by Anatoly Baumstein from Exxonmobil

General Optimization Framework for Robust and Regularized 3D FWI

by S.R. Becker, L. Horesh, A.Y. Aravkin, E. van den Berg and S. Zhuk from IBM

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# Conclusions

Randomizations in acquisition make

- ▶ seismic surveys more economic
- ▶ reduces the environmental impact
- ▶ allows for recovery of fully-sampled data volumes

Randomization in computations make

- ▶ wave-equation based inversions more economic
- ▶ but still rely on underlying fold

Open problems

- ▶ combine randomized acquisition w/ wave-equation inversions to mitigate acquisition imprints
- ▶ build in adaptive sampling

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