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## Regularized Migration/Inversion

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# Motivation

To go beyond the resolution provided by the data (aperture and band-width) by incorporating *quadratic* and *non-quadratic* regularization terms into migration/inversion algorithms

*This is not a new idea...*

# Evolution of ideas and concepts

*Migration with Adjoint Operators*

*[Current technology]*

*RLS Migration (Quadratic Regularization)*

*[Not in production yet]*

*RLS Migration (Non-Quadratic Regularization)*

*[??]*



# Evolution of ideas and concepts

*Migration with Adjoint Operators*

1 ***RLS Migration (Quadratic Regularization)***

2 ***RLS Migration (Non-Quadratic Regularization)***



*Resolution*

# Evolution of ideas and concepts

Two examples

*LS Deconvolution*



*Sparse Spike Deconvolution*

*LS Radon Transforms*



*HR Radon Transforms*



*Quadratic Regularization*

*Stable and Fast Algorithms*

*Low Resolution*



*Non-quadratic Regularization*

*Requires Sophisticated Optimization*

*Enhanced Resolution*

*Deconvolution*

*Quadratic versus non-quadratic  
regularization*

$$W r = s$$

# Convolution / Cross-correlation / Deconv

*Convolution*       $Wr = s$

*Cross-correlation*       $\tilde{r} = W's$

*Deconvolution*       $\tilde{r} = W'W r = R r$

$$r = R^{\square 1} \tilde{r}$$

$$= R^{\square 1} W' s$$

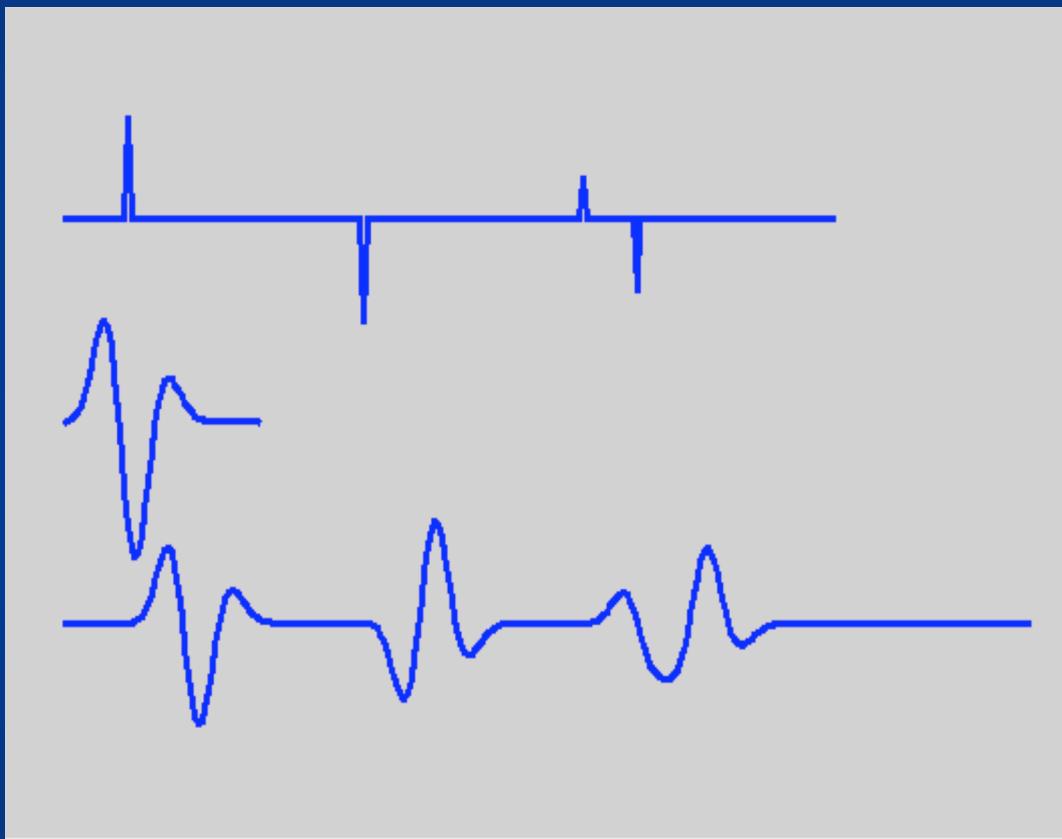
# Quadratic and Non-quadratic Regularization

$$Cost \quad J = \|W r - s\|^2 + \alpha R(r)$$

$$Quadratic \quad R = \|r\|^2, \quad r = (W'W + \alpha I)^{-1}W's$$

$$Non-quadratic \quad R = \psi(r), \quad r = (W'W + \alpha Q(r))^{-1}W's$$

$$\psi(r) = \sum_i \ln(1 + \frac{r_i^2}{\alpha^2})$$

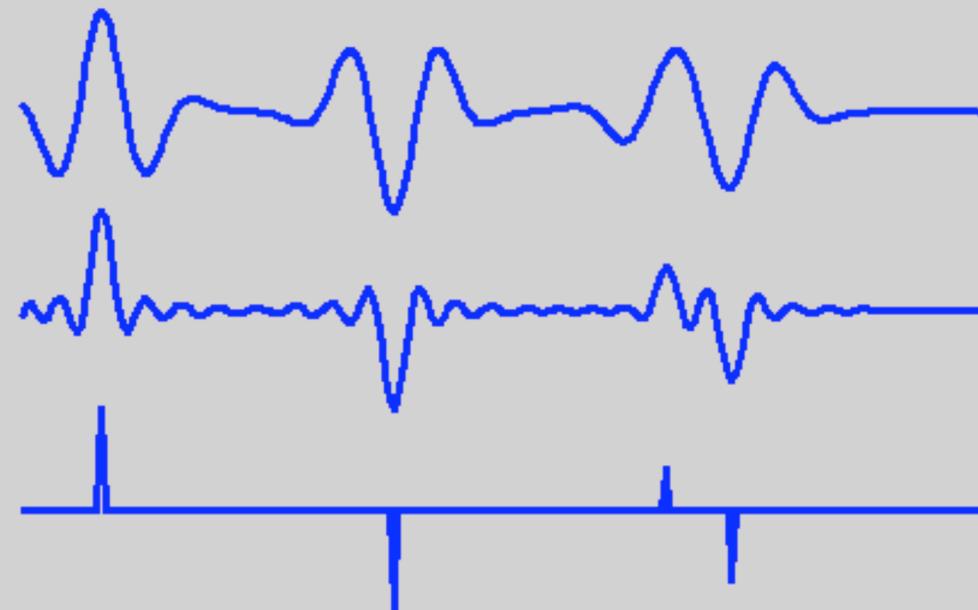


$r$

$W$

$s = W r$

*Adj*



$$\tilde{r} = W^T s$$

$$r = (W^T W + \square I)^{\square 1} W^T s$$

$$r = (W^T W + \square Q(r))^{\square 1} W^T s$$

*Radon Transform*

*Quadratic versus non-quadratic  
regularization*

$$\int m(t \square \square(x, p), p) dp = d(t, x)$$

*or*

$$Lm = d$$



$h$  —————→



$q$  —————→

*LS  
Radon*



$h$  —————→



$q$  —————→

*HR*  
*Radon*

# Modeling / Migration / Inversion

*Modeling*       $Lm = d$

*Migration*       $\tilde{m} = L'd$

$$\langle m, L'd \rangle = \langle d, Lm \rangle$$

*De-blurring problem*       $\tilde{m} = L'Lm = Km$

$$m = K^{\square 1} \tilde{m}$$

$$= K^{\square 1} L'd$$

# Back to migration

*Inducing a sparse solution via non-quadratic regularization appears to be a good idea (at least for the two previous examples)*

**Q.** *Is the same valid for Migration/Inversion?*

# Back to migration

*Inducing a sparse solution via non-quadratic regularization appears to be a good idea (at least for the two previous examples)*

**Q.** *In the same valid for Migration/Inversion?*

**A.** *Not so fast... First, we need to define what we are inverting for...*

# Migration as an inverse problem

$$W L m = d$$

*Forward*

$$\tilde{m} = L' W' d$$

*Adjoint*

$$d = d(s, g, t)$$

*Data*

$$m = m(x, z)$$

*“Image” or*

$$m = m(x, z, p)$$

*Angle Dependent  
Reflectivity*

# Migration as an inverse problem

- *There is No general agreement about what type of regularization should be used when inverting for  $m=m(x,z)$ ... Geology is too complicated...*
- *For angle dependent images,  $m(x,z,p)$ , we attempt to impose horizontal smoothness along the “redundant” variable in the CIGs:*

$$J = \|W(Lm \square d)\|^2 + \square \|D_p m(x,z,p)\|^2$$

Kuehl, 2002, PhD Thesis UofA

url: cm-gw.phys.ualberta.ca~sacchi/saig/index.html

## *Quadratic Regularization Migration Algorithm*

### *Features:*

*DSR/AVP Forward/Adjoint Operator (Prucha et. al, 1999)*

*PSPI/Split Step*

*Optimization via PCG*

*2D/3D (Common Azimuth)*

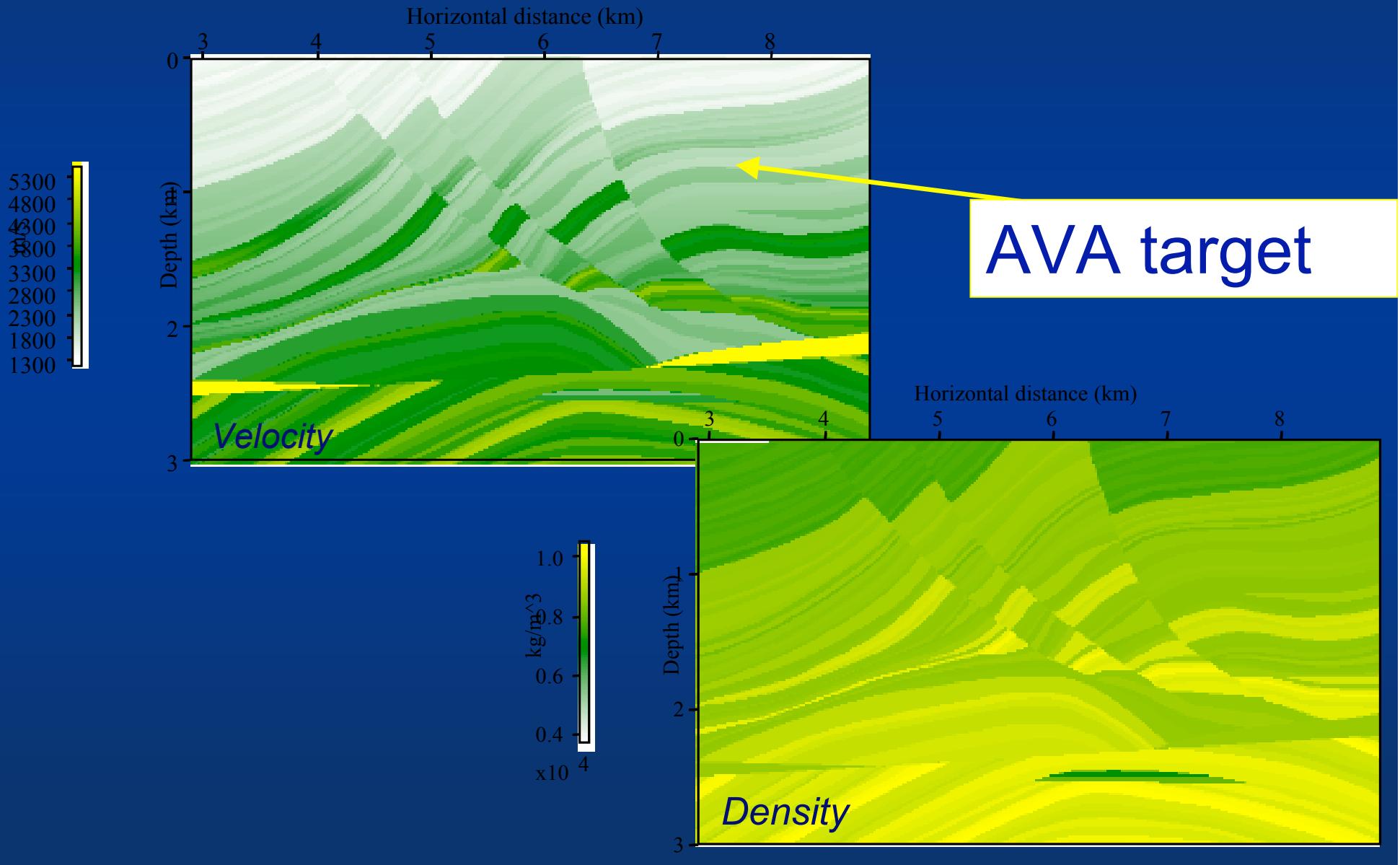
*MPI/Open MP*

$$J = \|W(Lm - d)\|^2 + \alpha \|D_p m(x, z, p)\|^2$$

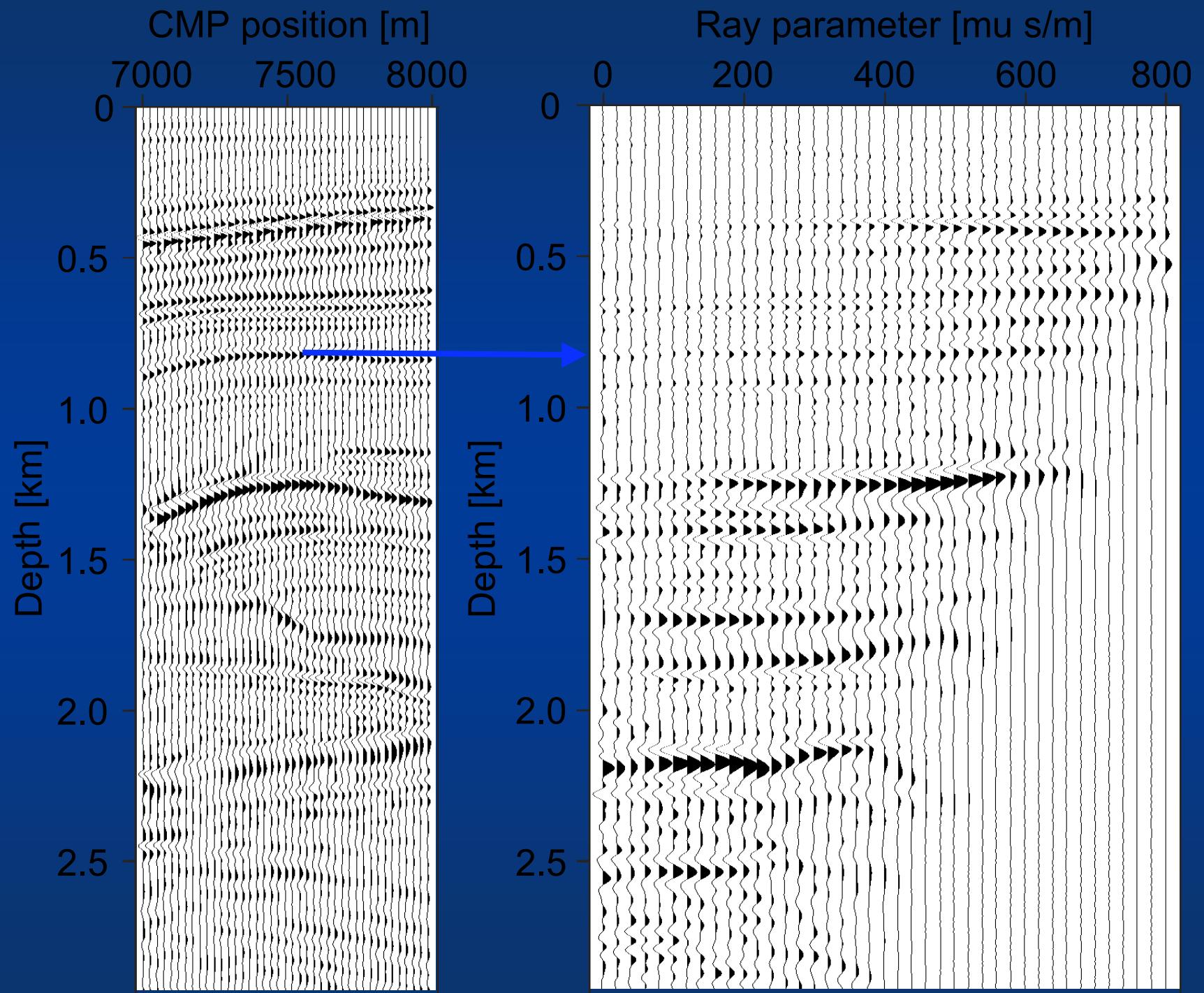
# 2D - Synthetic data example

# Marmousi model

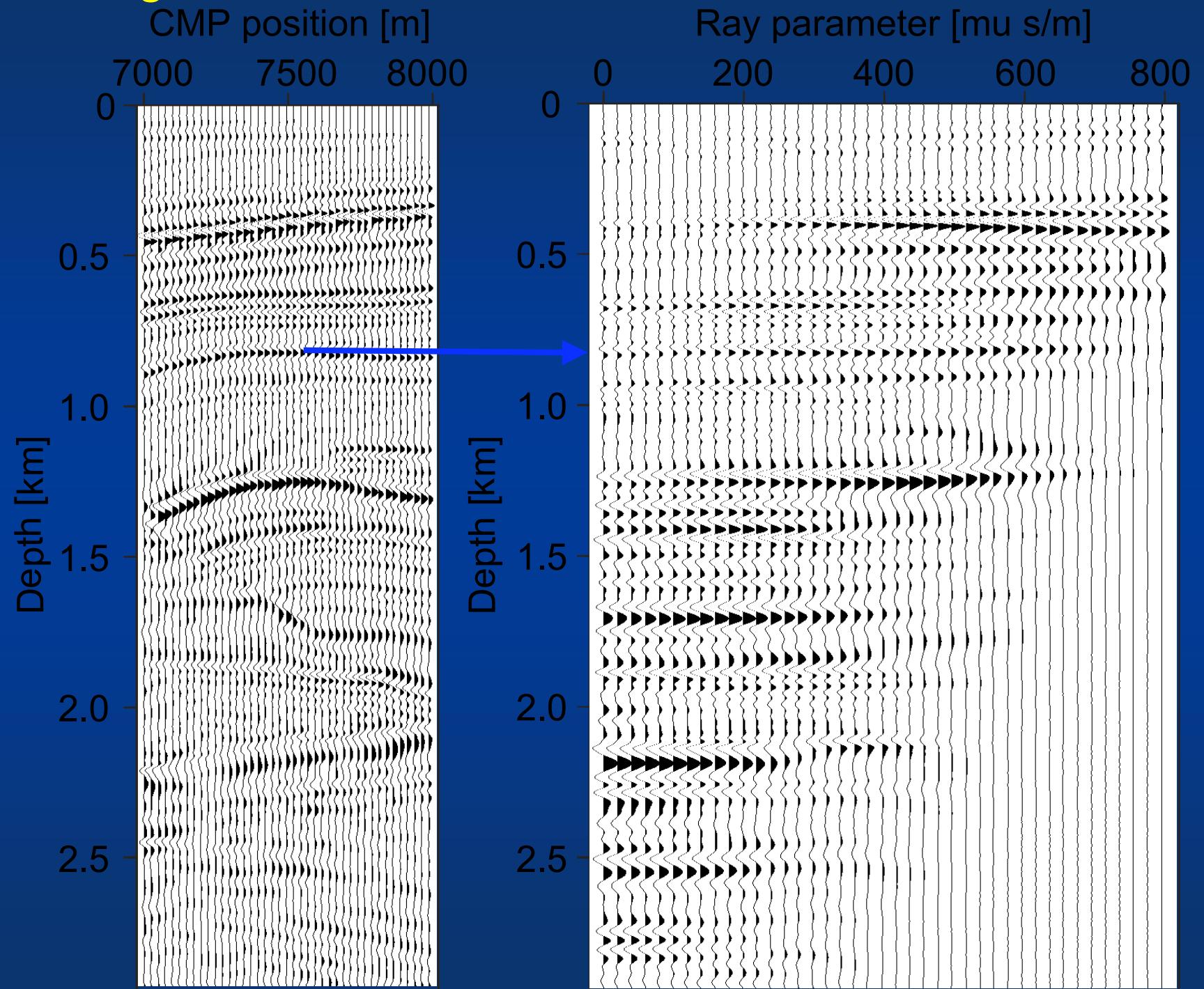
(From H. Kuehl Thesis, UofA, 02)

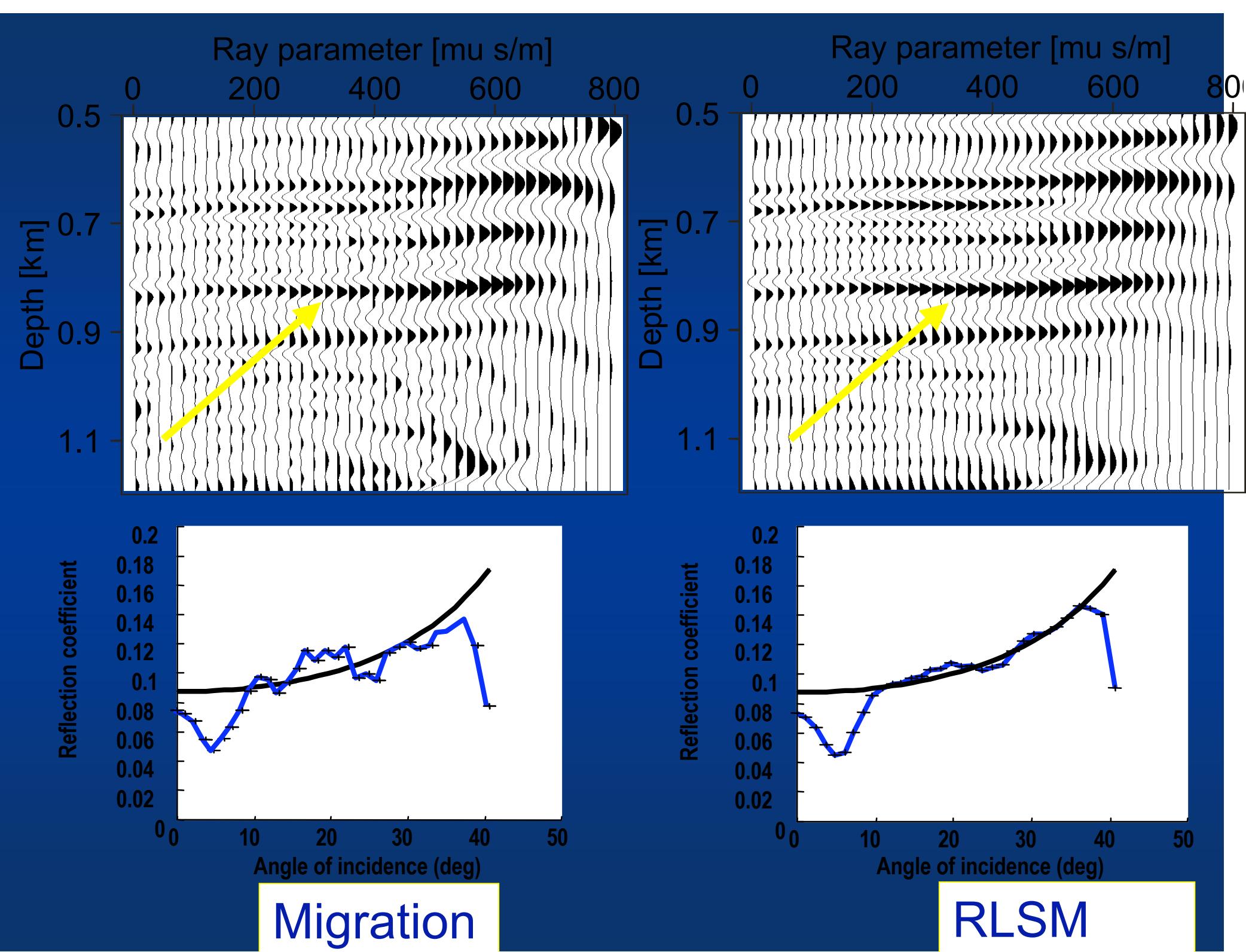


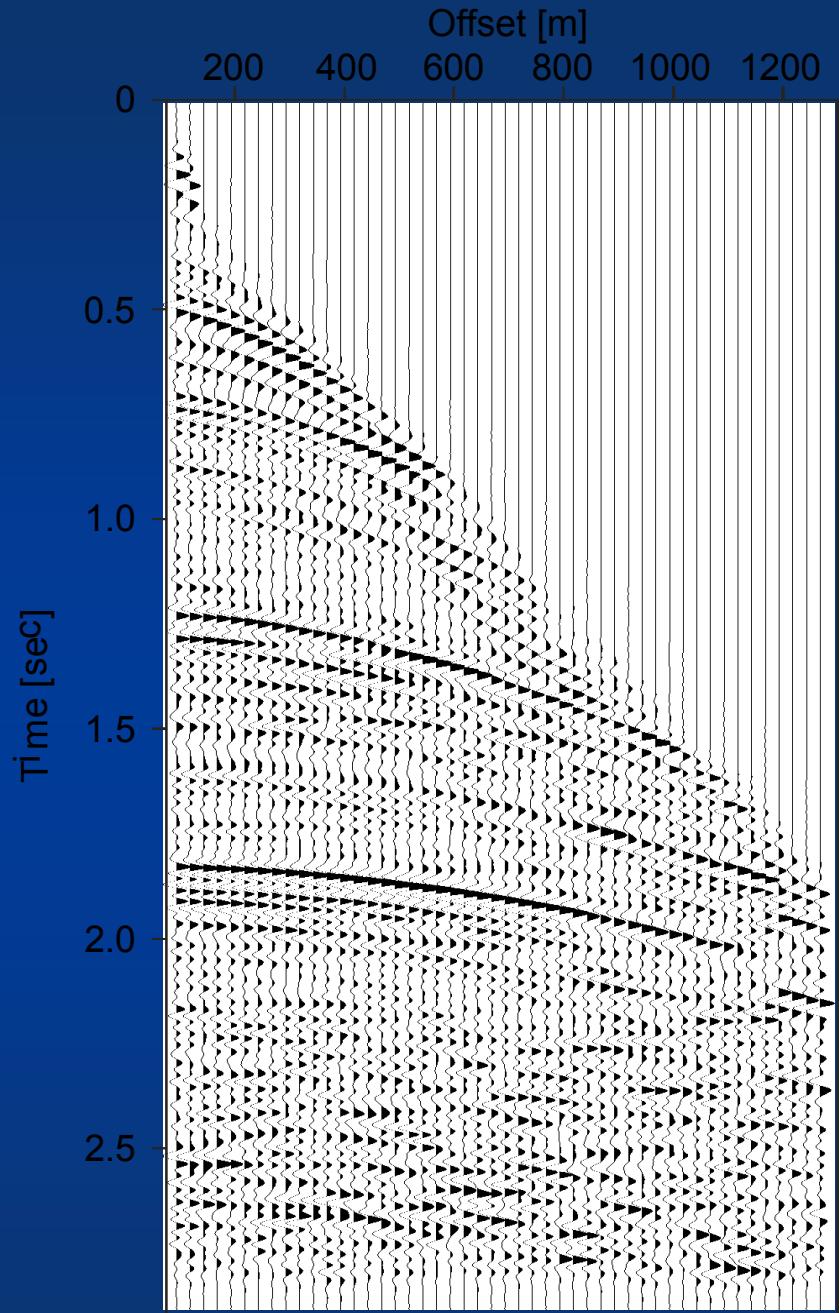
# Migrated AVA



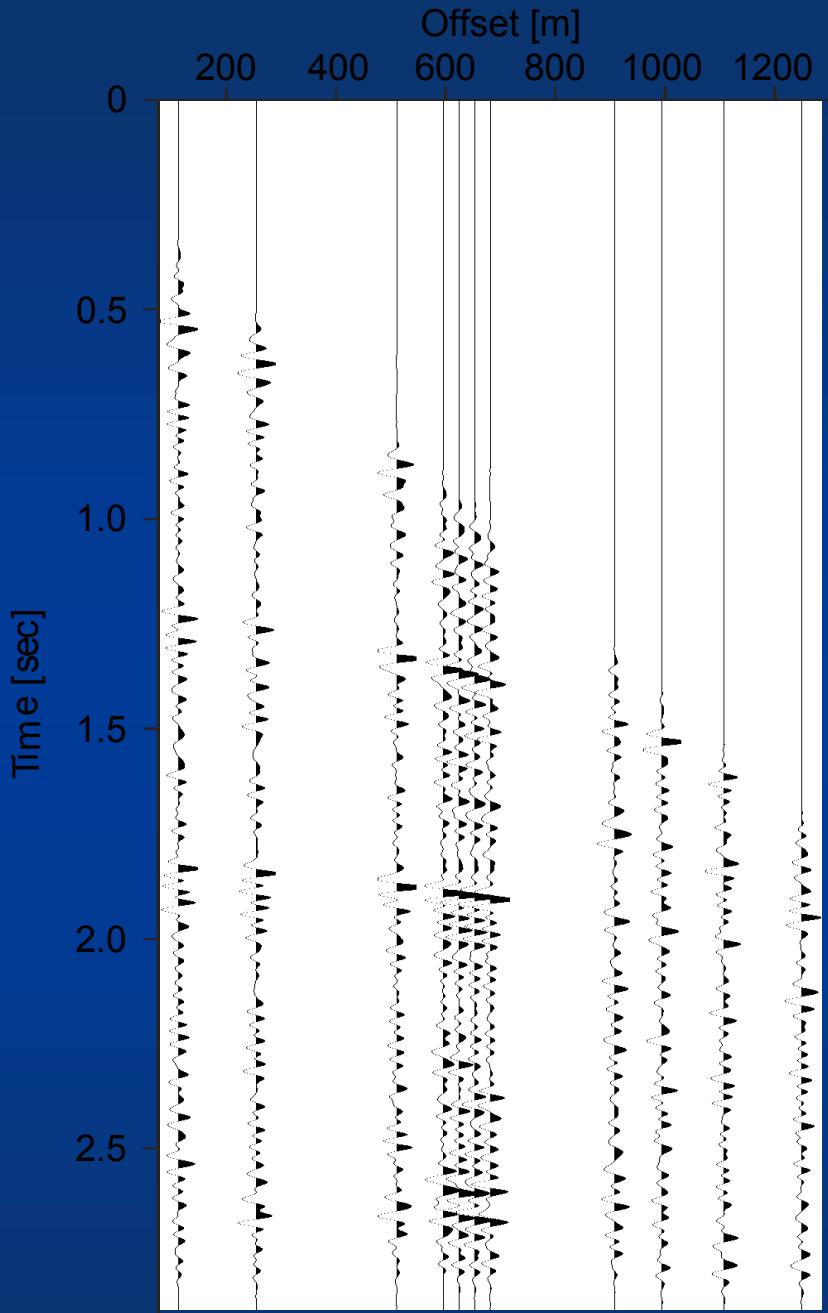
# Regularized Migrated AVA







Complete CMP

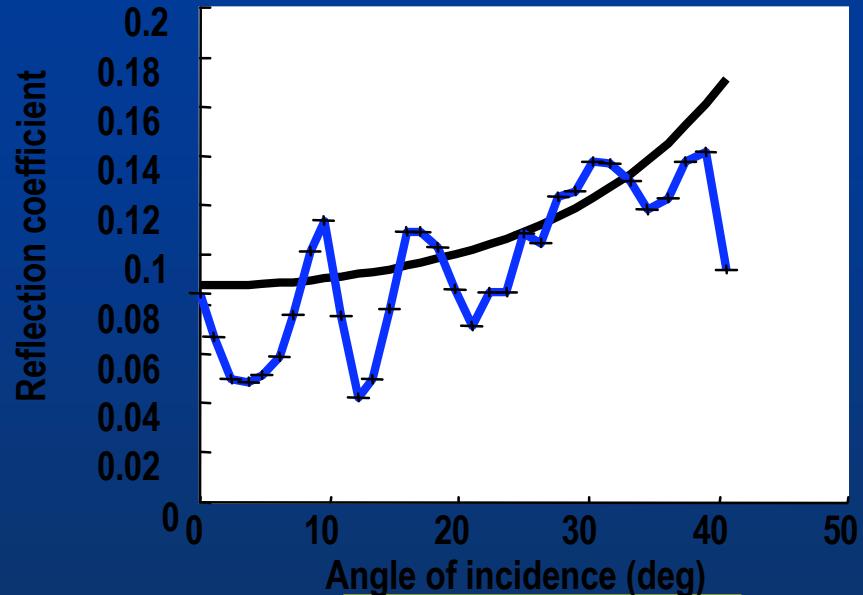
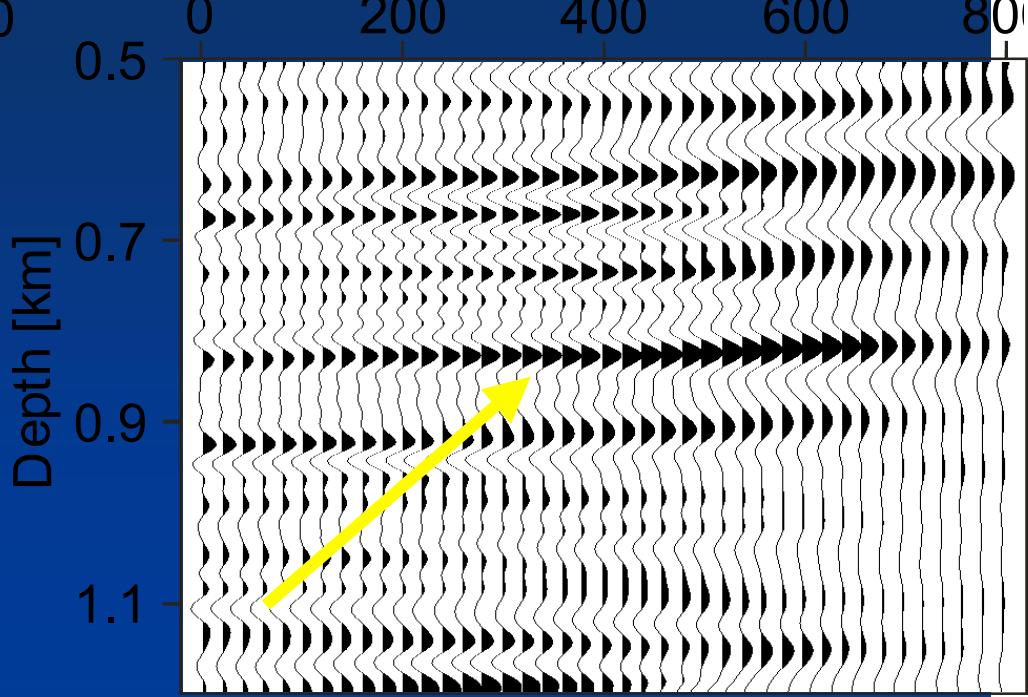


Incomplete CMP (30 %)

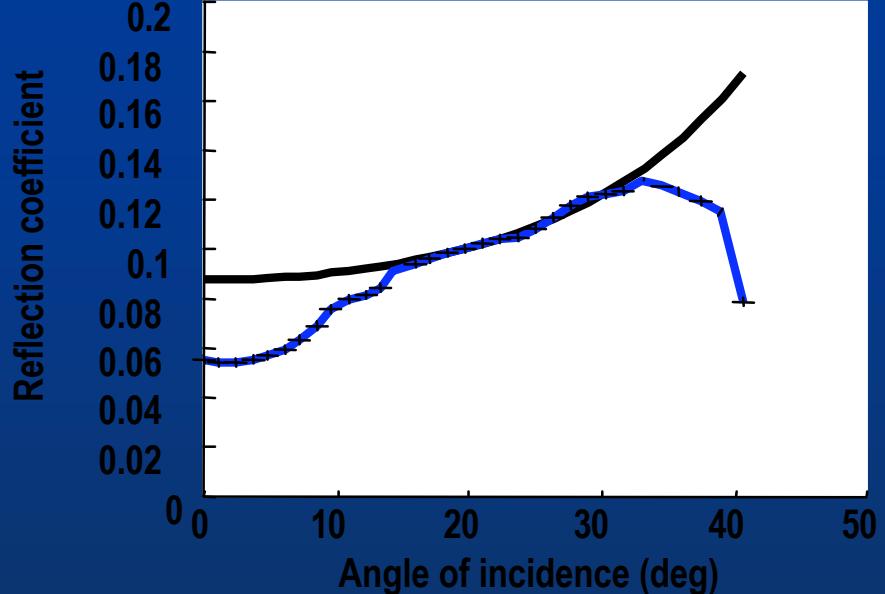
Ray parameter [μ s/m]



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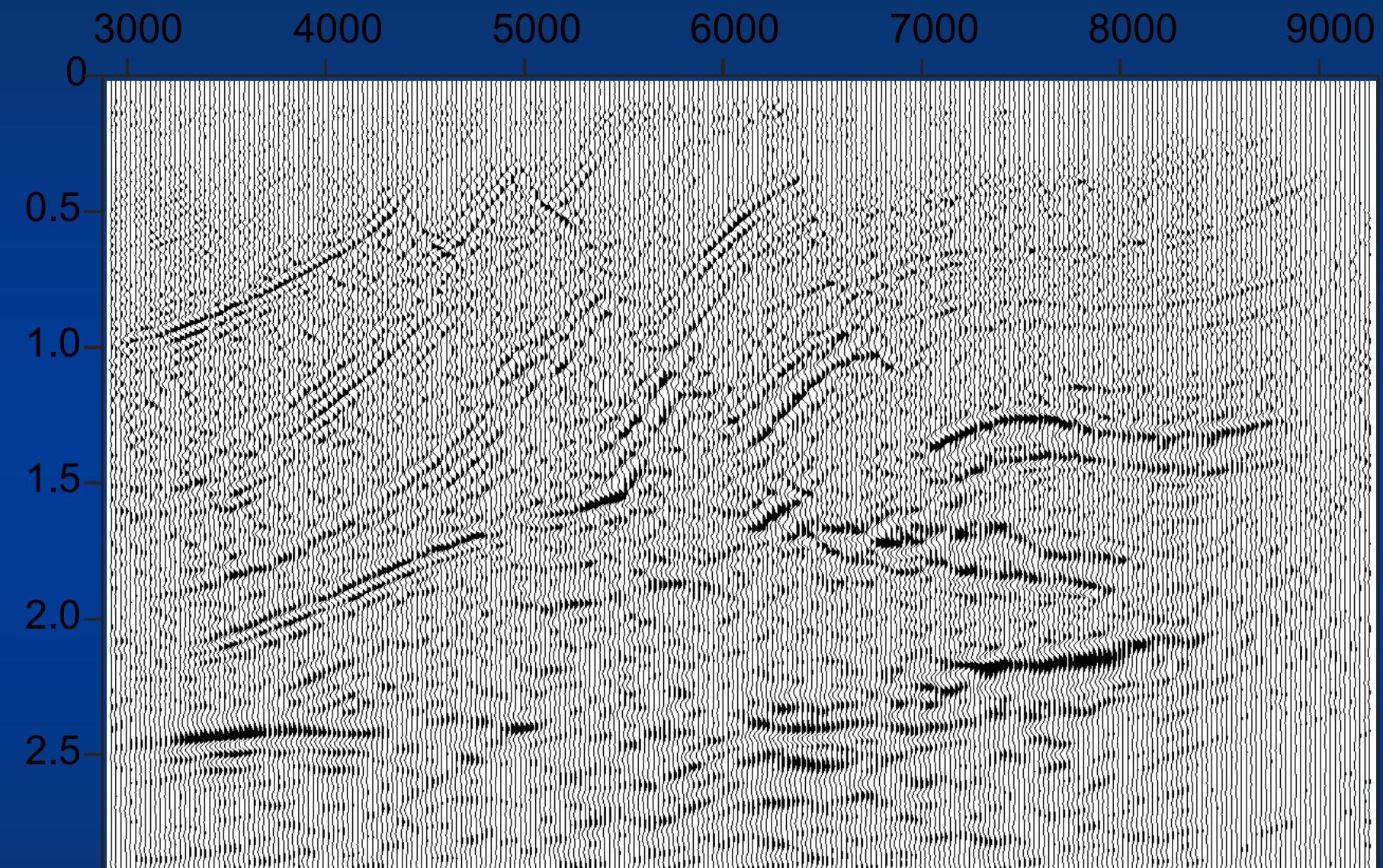


Migration



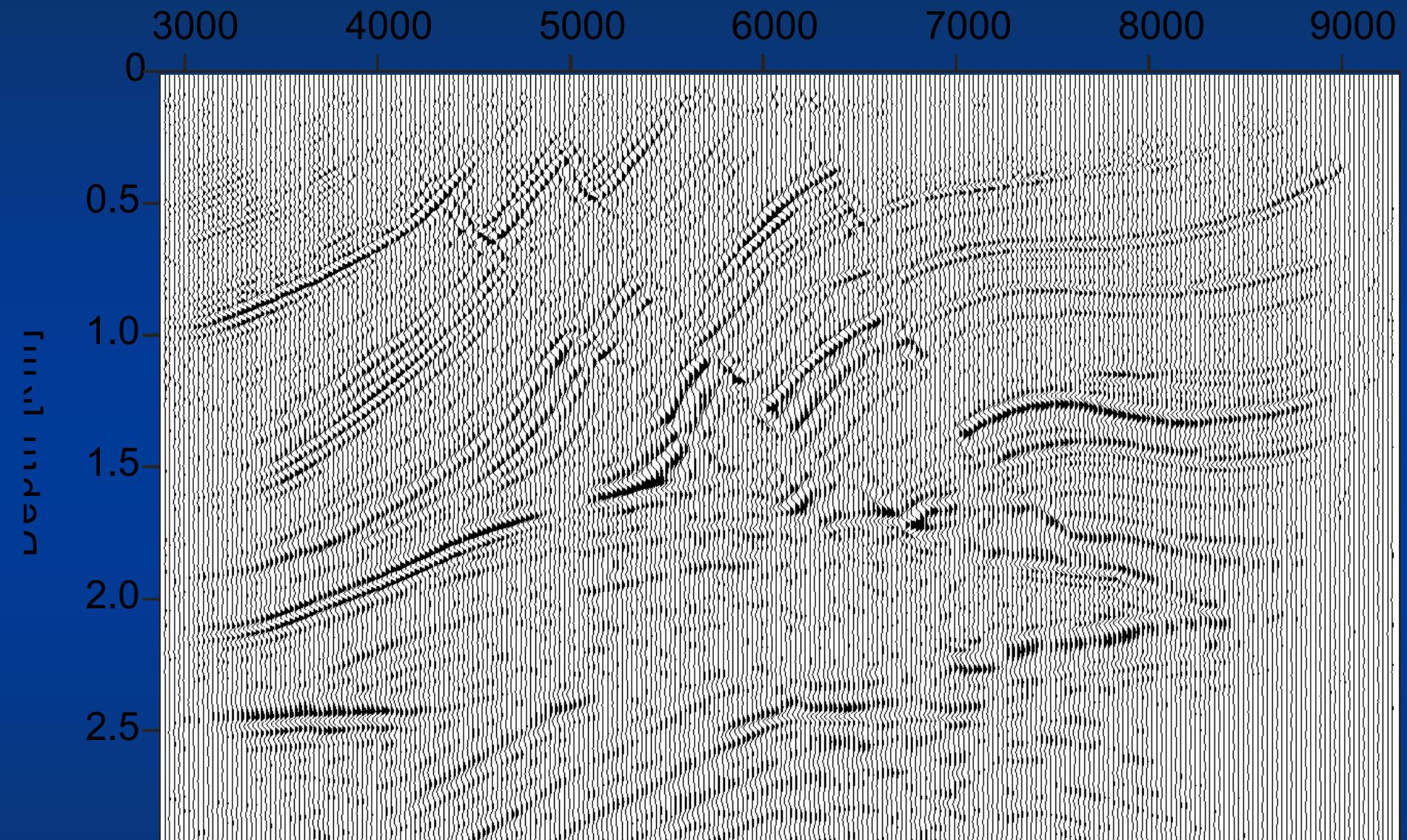
RLSM

CMP position [m]



Constant ray parameter image (incomplete)

CMP position [m]



Constant ray parameter image (RLSM)

# 3D - Synthetic data example (J Wang)

## Parameters for the 3D synthetic data

x-CDPs : 40

Y-CDPs : 301

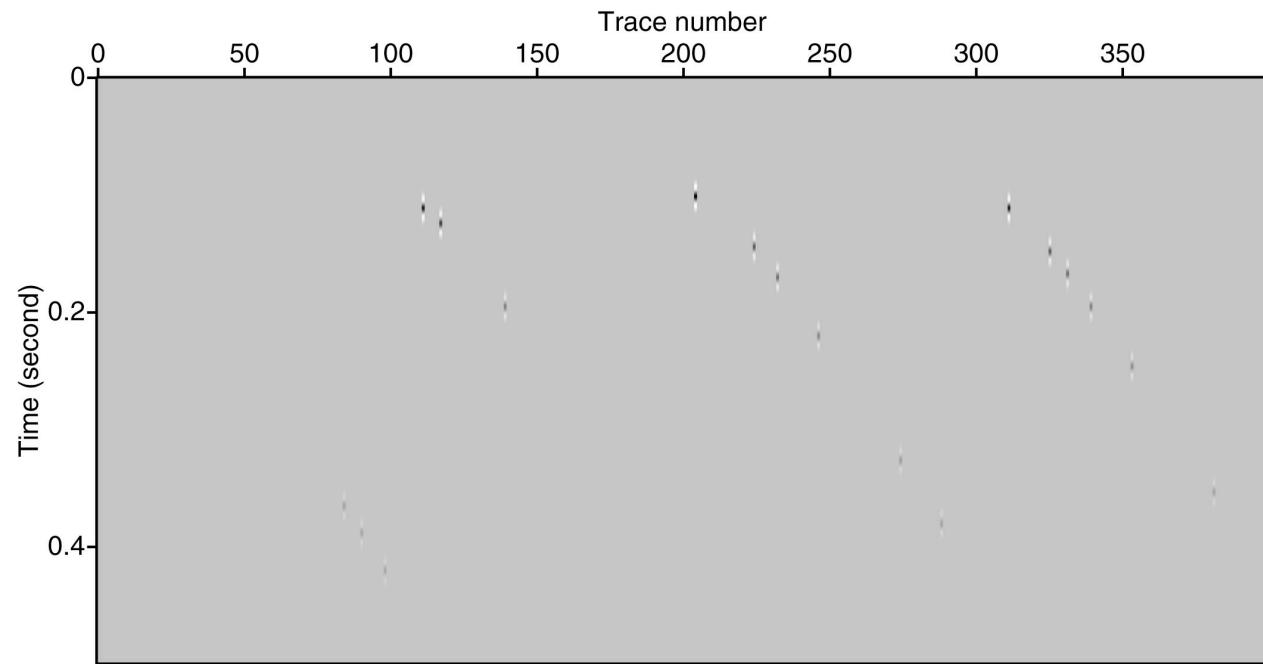
Nominal Offset: 50

$dx=5\text{ m}$

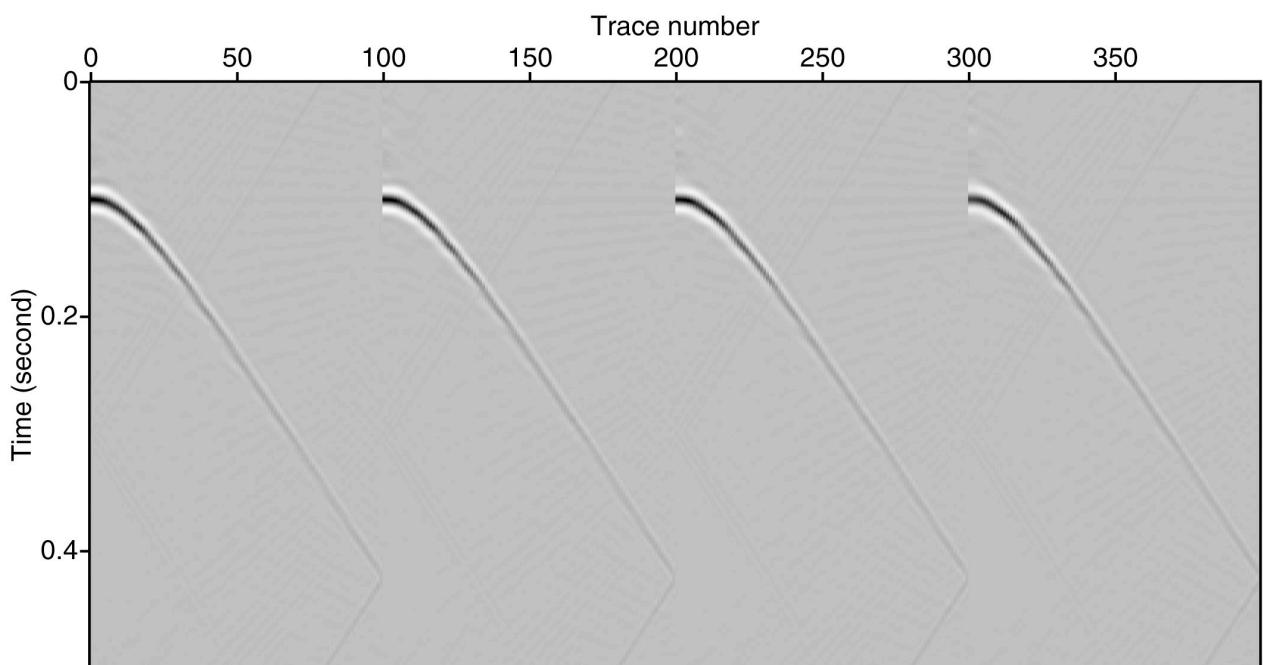
$dy=10\text{ m}$

$dh=10\text{ m}$

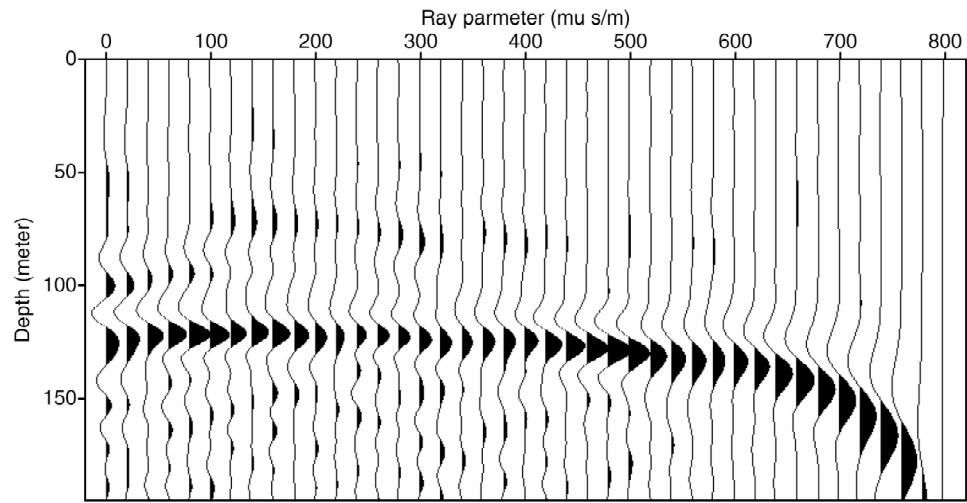
90% traces are randomly removed to simulate a sparse 3D data.



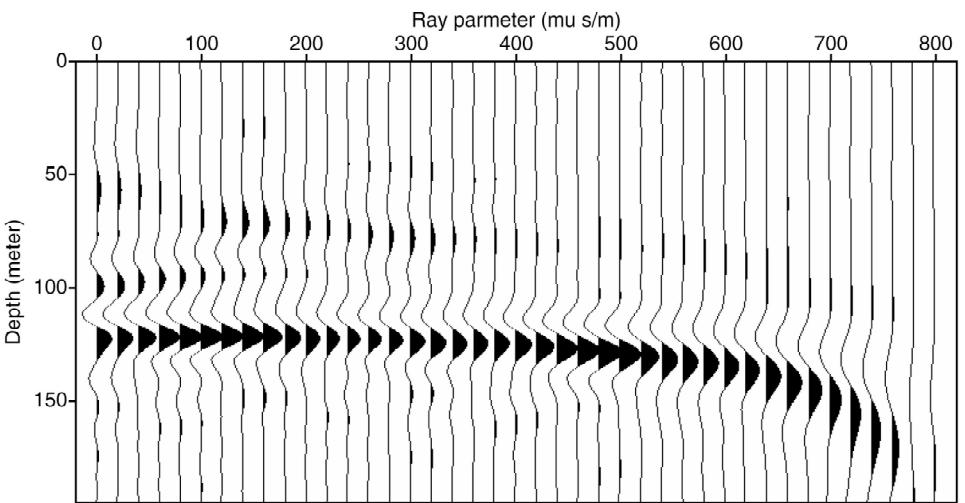
Incomplete  
Data  
4 adjacent CDPs



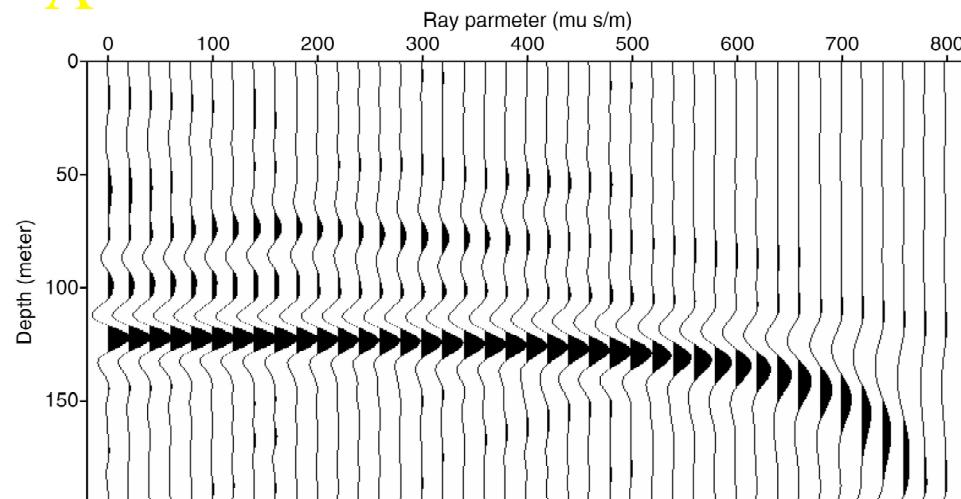
Reconstructed  
data (after 12  
Iterations)



A

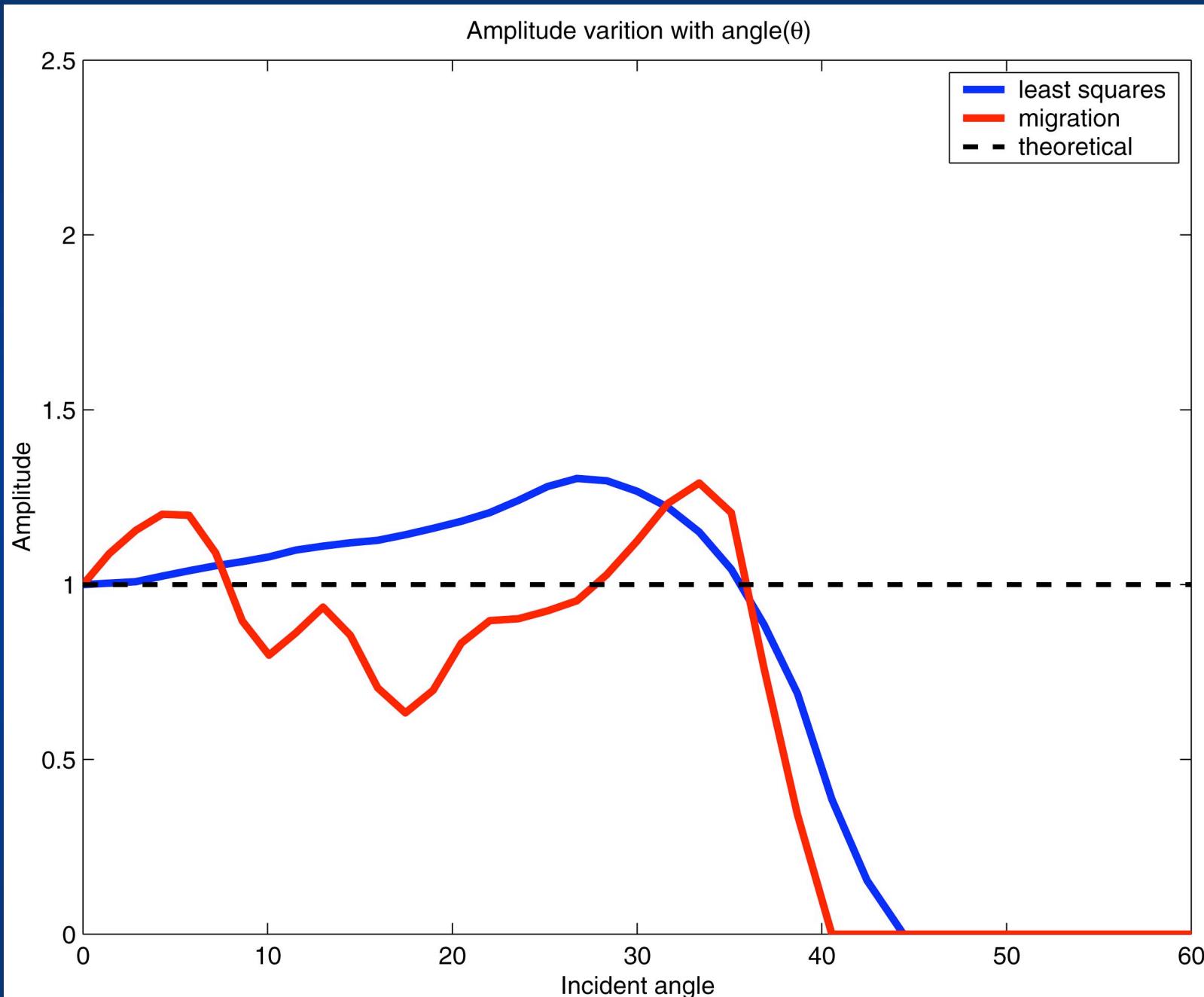


B

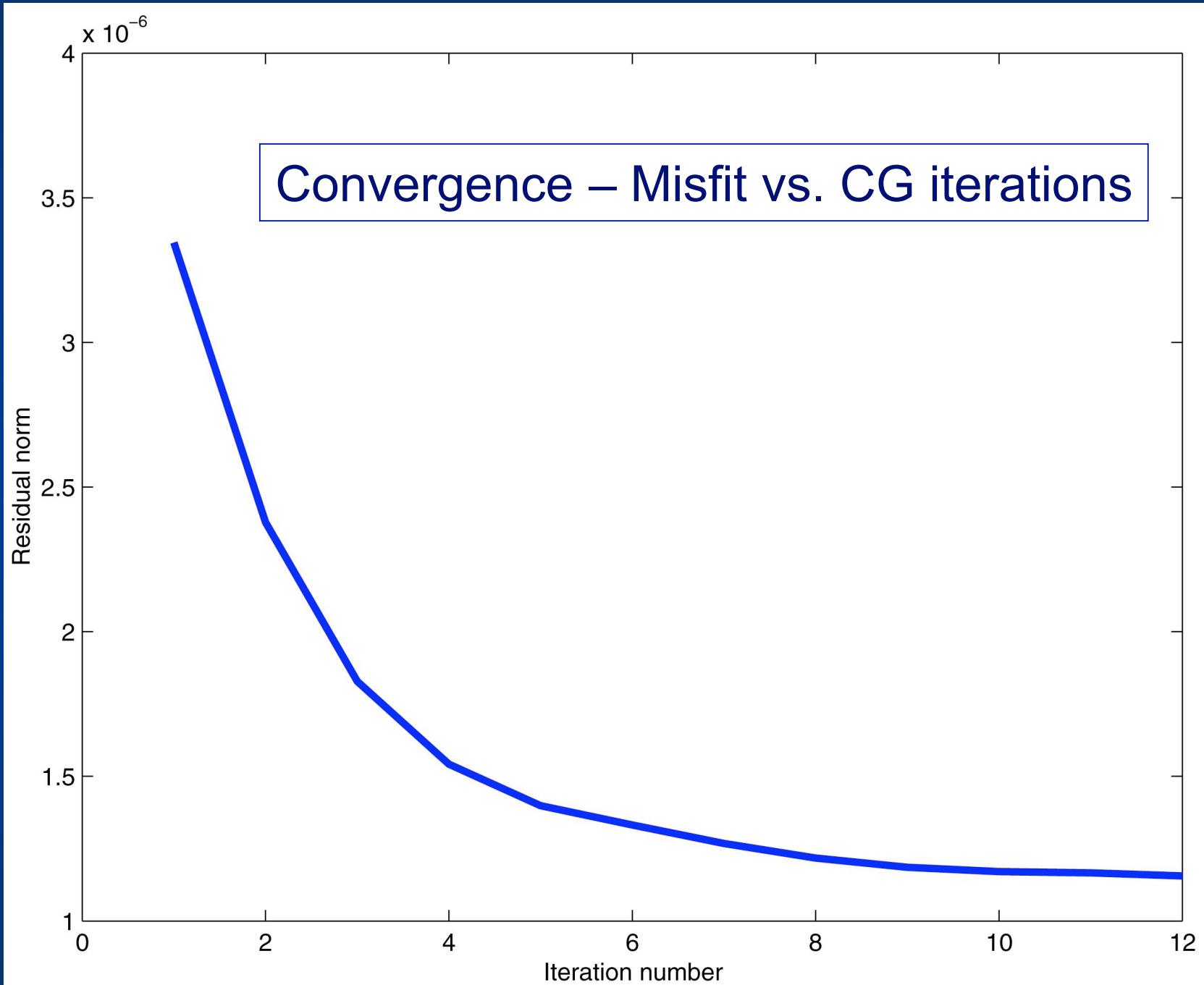


C

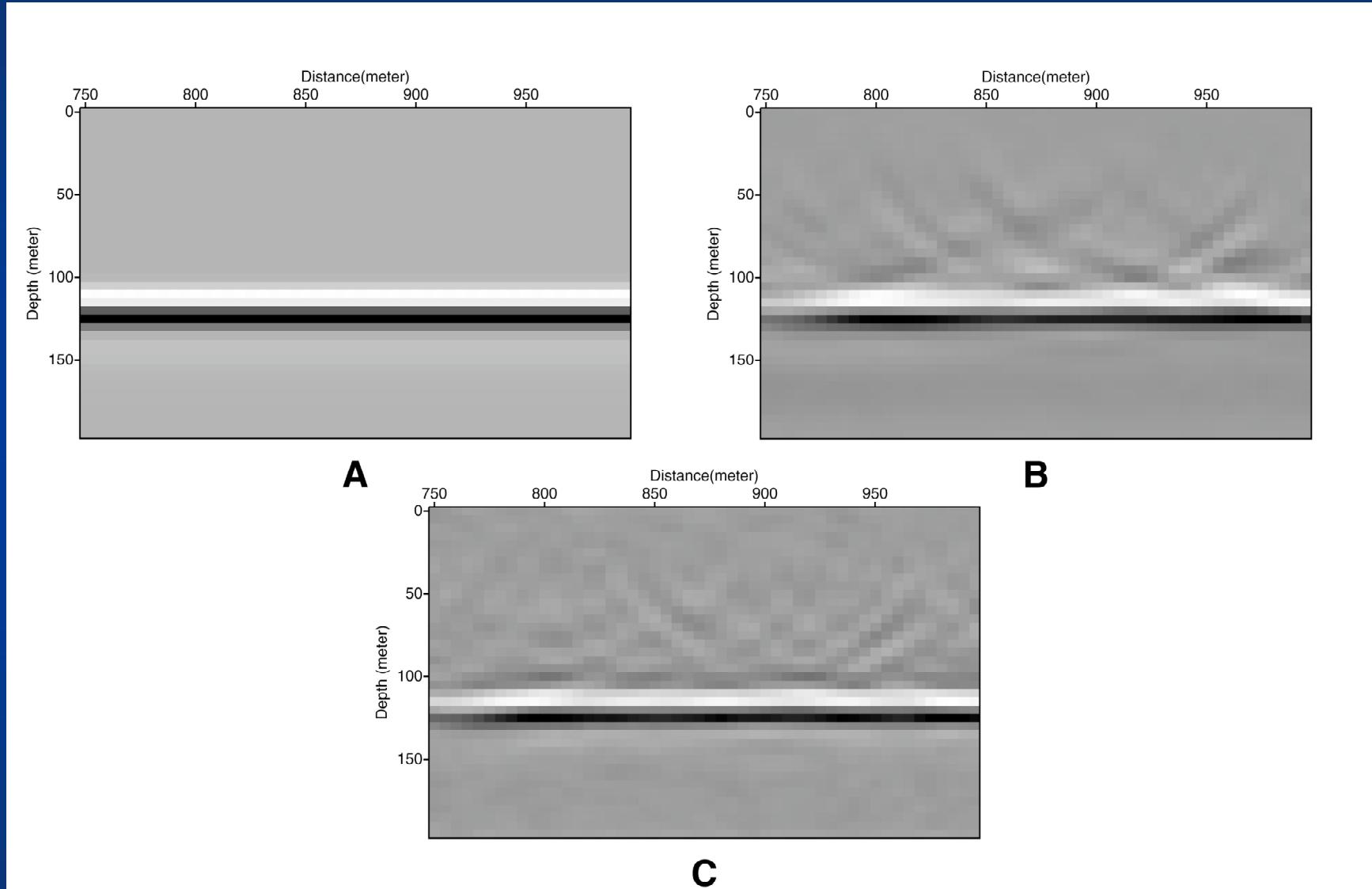
**A: Iteration 1 B: Iteration 3 C: Iteration 12**



At  $y=950$  m,  $x=130$  m



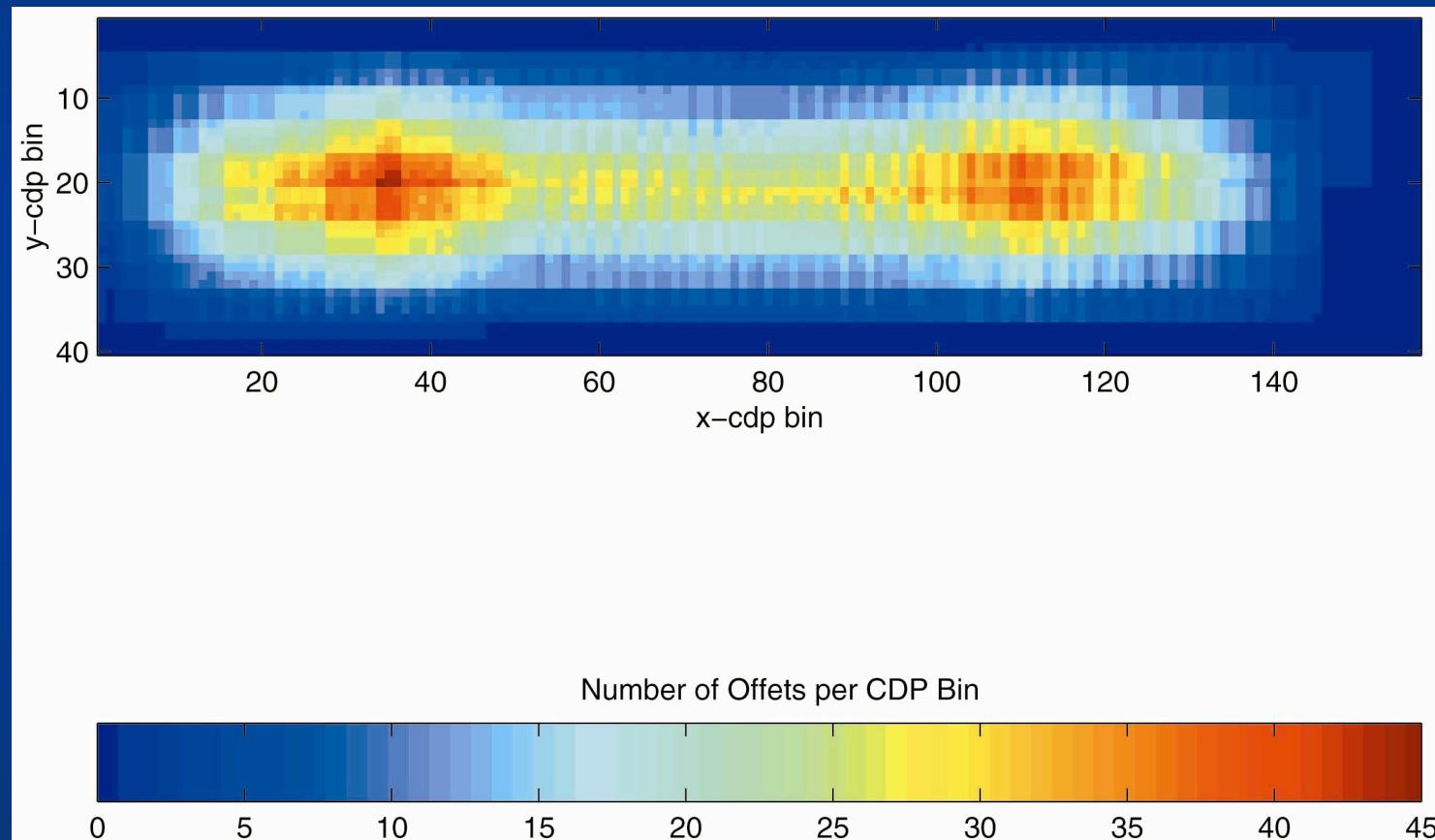
# Stacked images comparison (x-line 30)



A complete data   B. Remove 90% traces   C. least-squares

# Field data example

ERSKINE (WBC) orthogonal 3-D sparse land data set



$dx=50.29m$

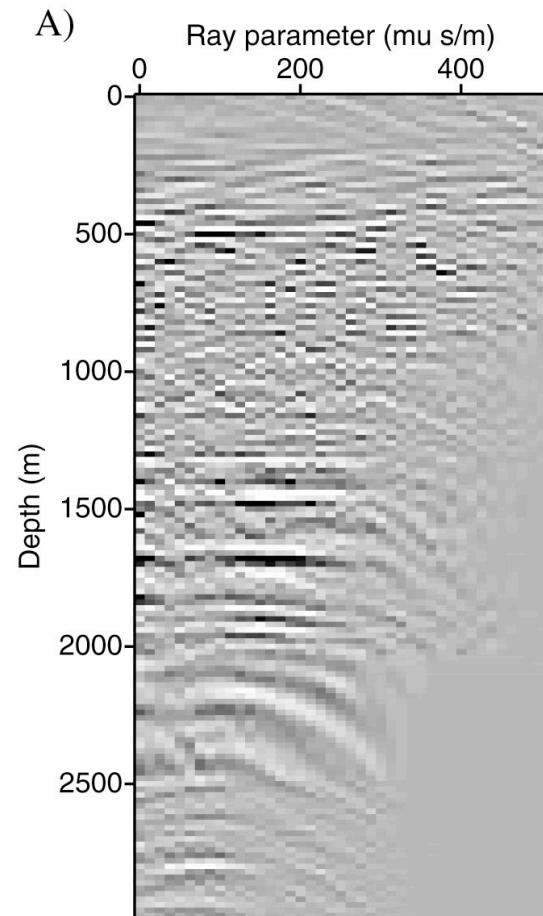
$dy=33.5m$

*Comment on  
Importance of  $W$*

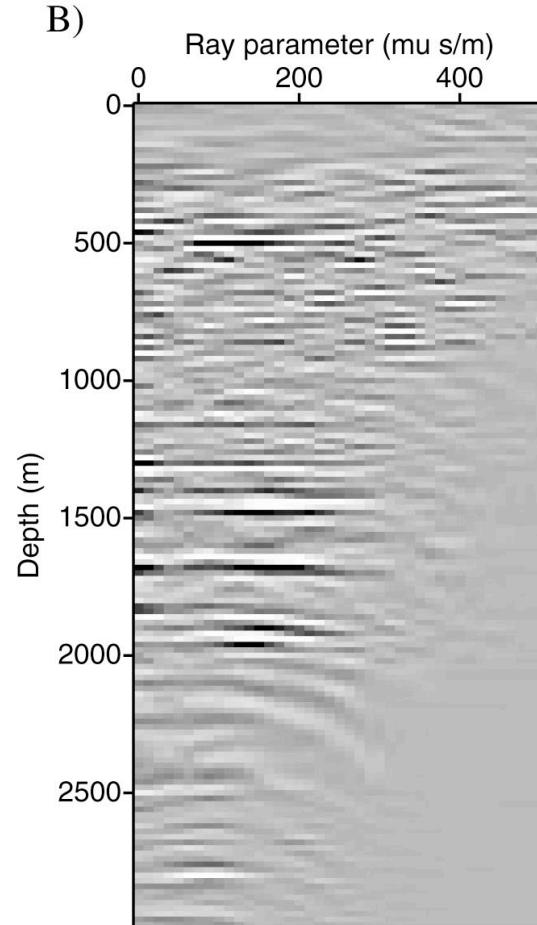
$$J = \|W(L m \square d)\|^2 + \|\square D_p m(x, z, p)\|^2$$

# CIG at x-line #10, in-line #71

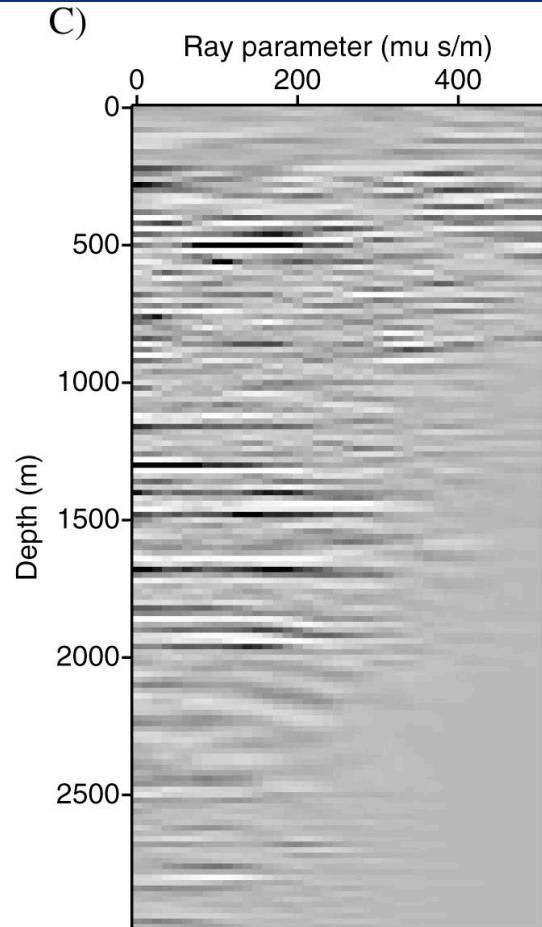
Iteration 1



Iteration 3



Iteration 7

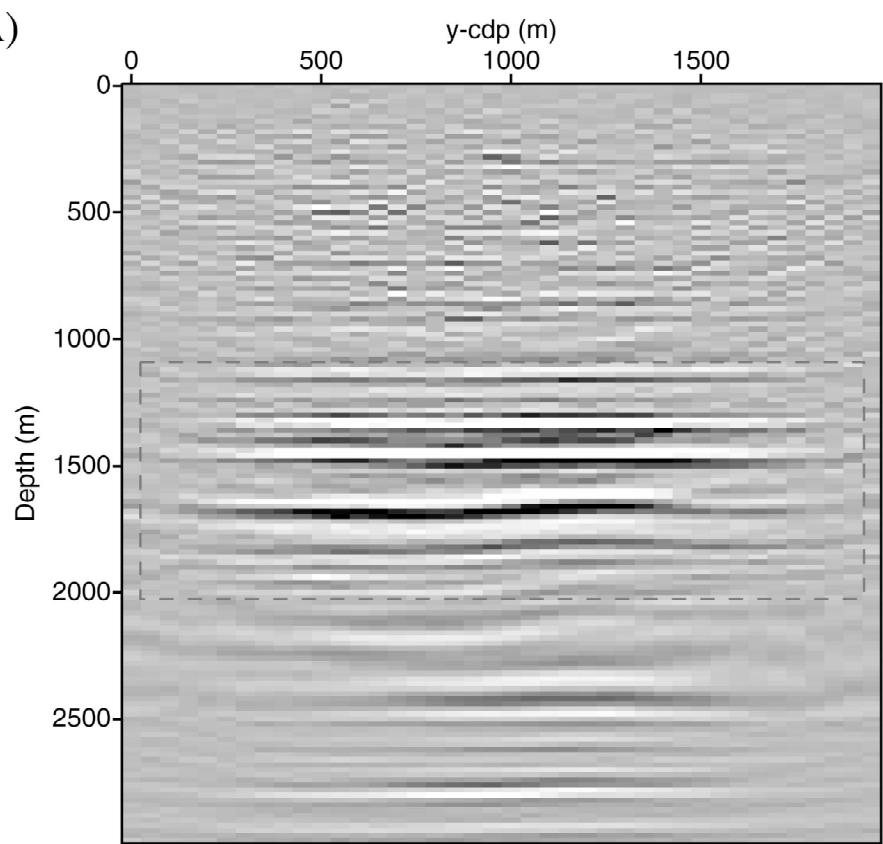


Cost Optimization

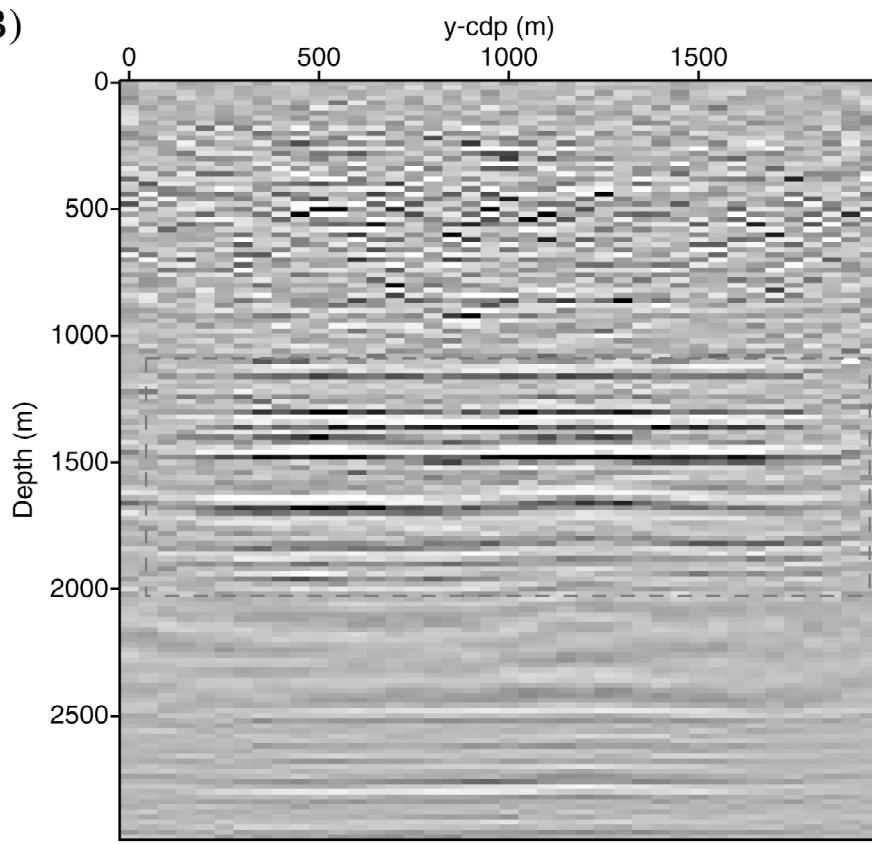
$$J = \| W(L m - d) \|^2 + \alpha \| D_p m(x, z, p) \|^2$$

# Stacked image, in-line #71

A)



B)

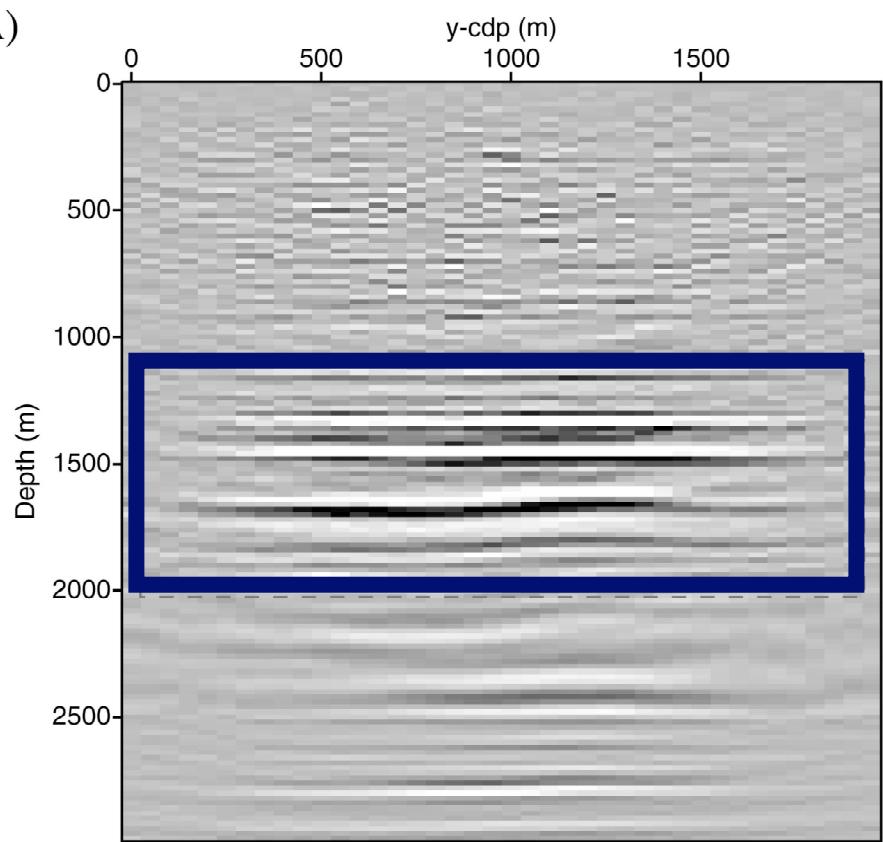


Migration

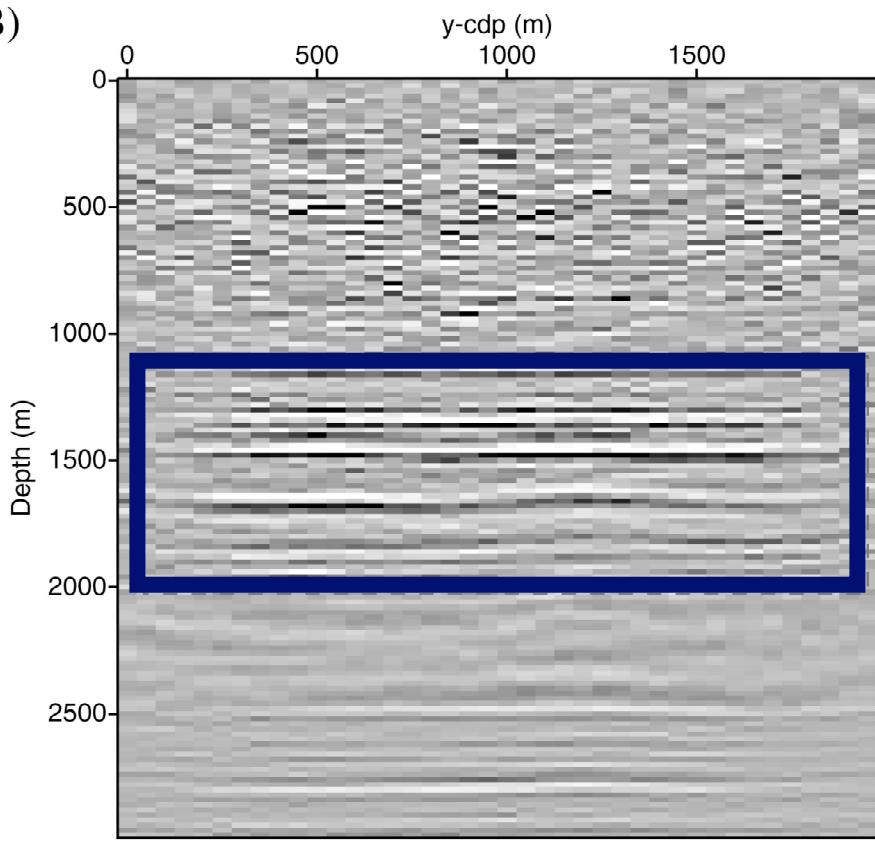
RLS Migration

# Stacked image, in-line #71

A)



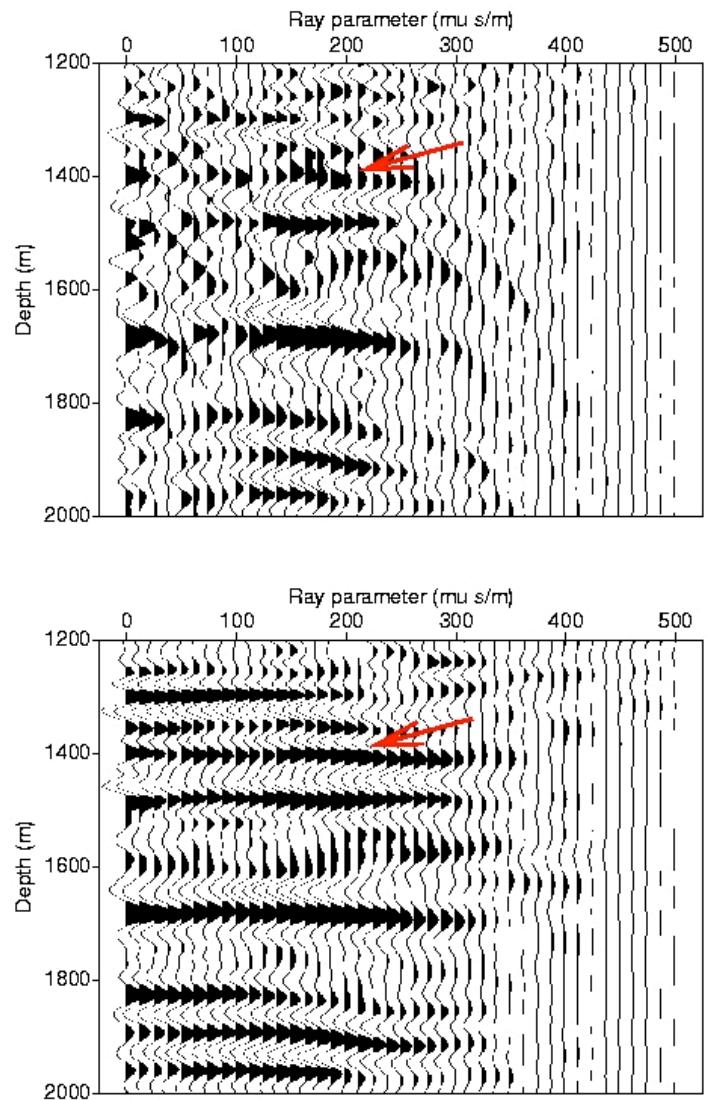
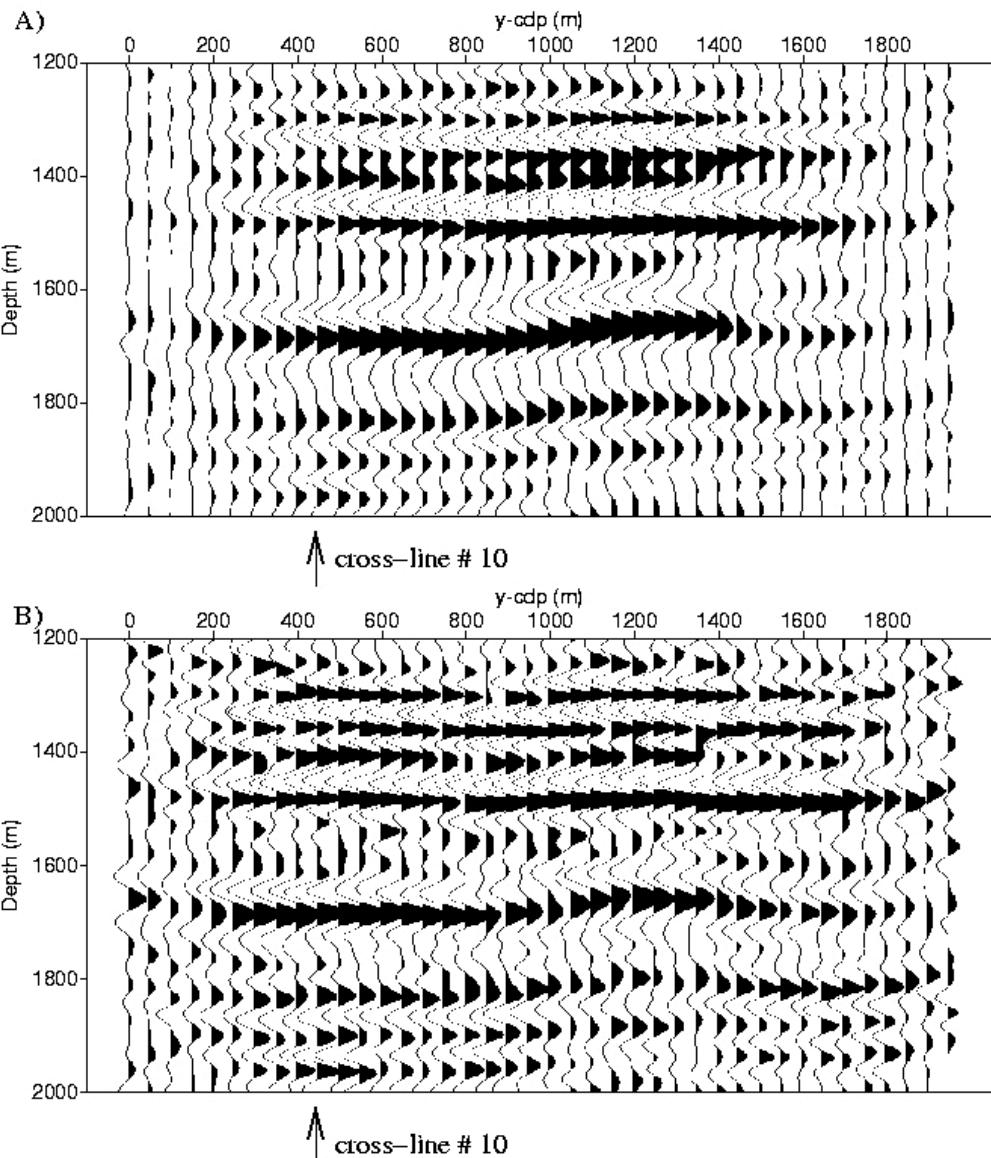
B)



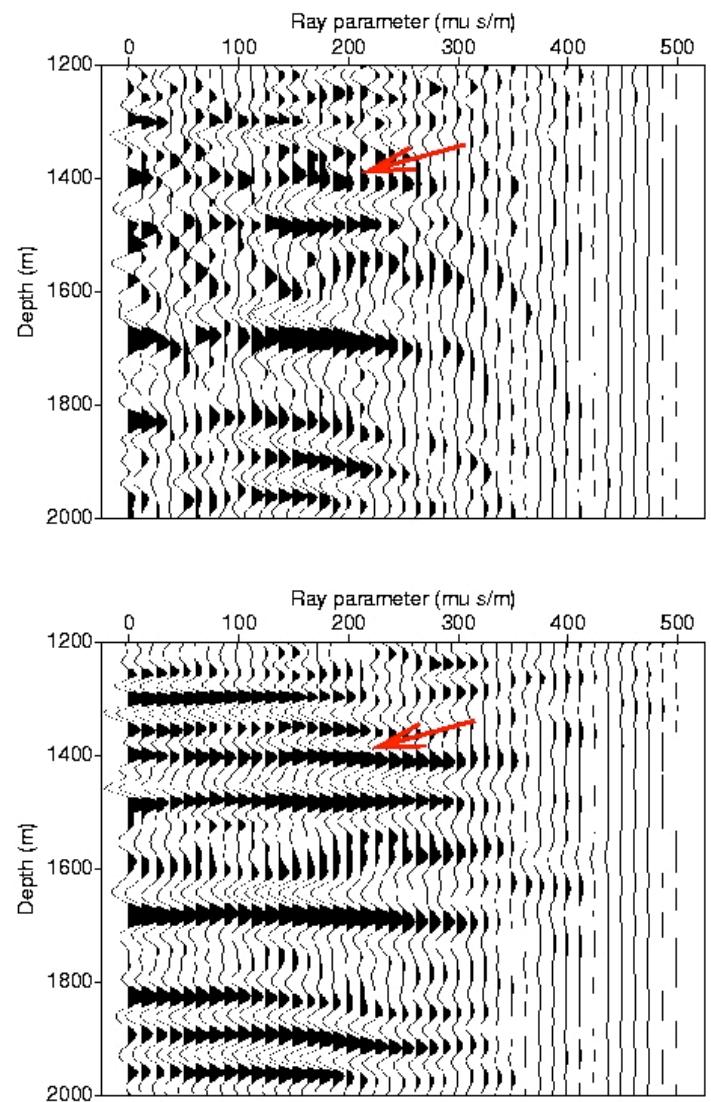
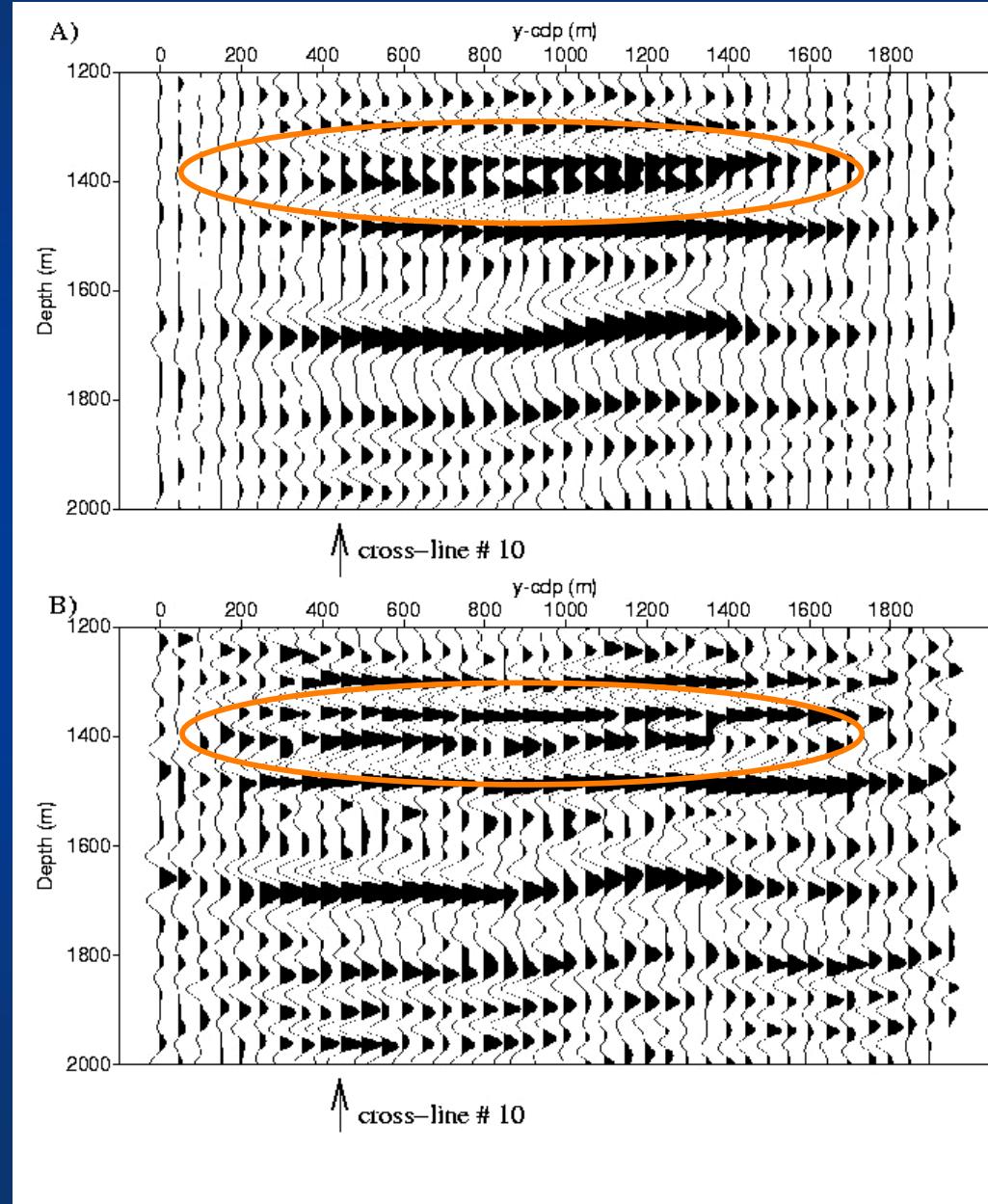
Migration

RLS Migration

# Image and Common Image Gather (detail)

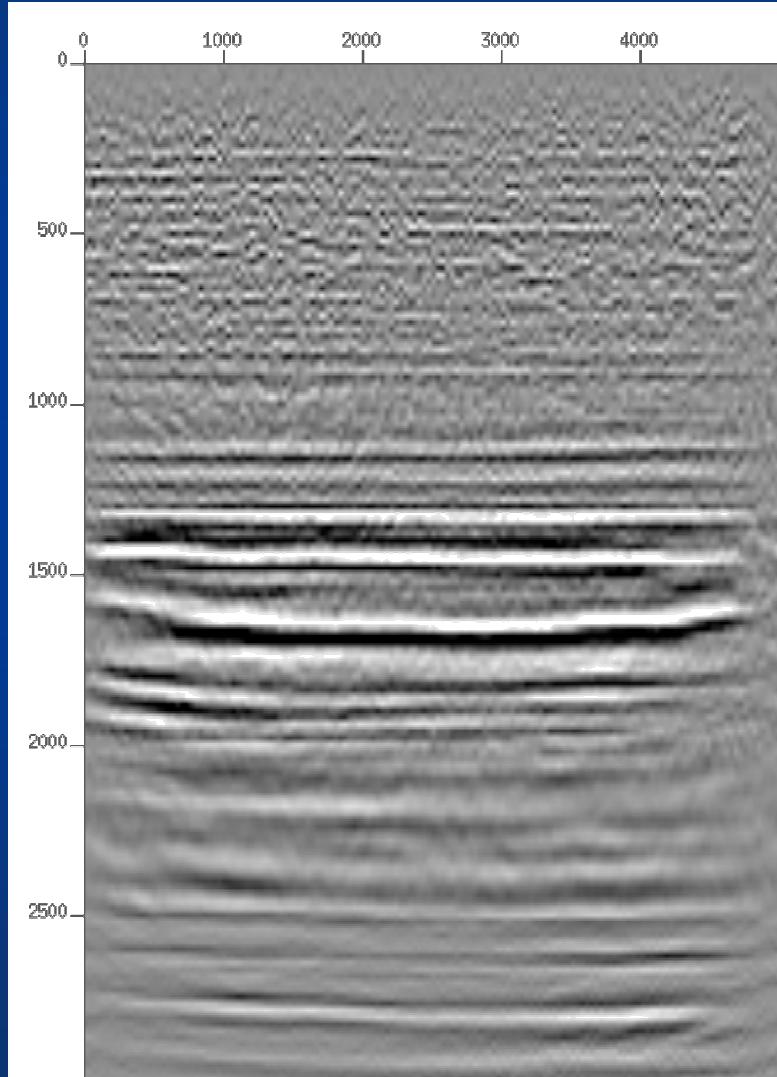


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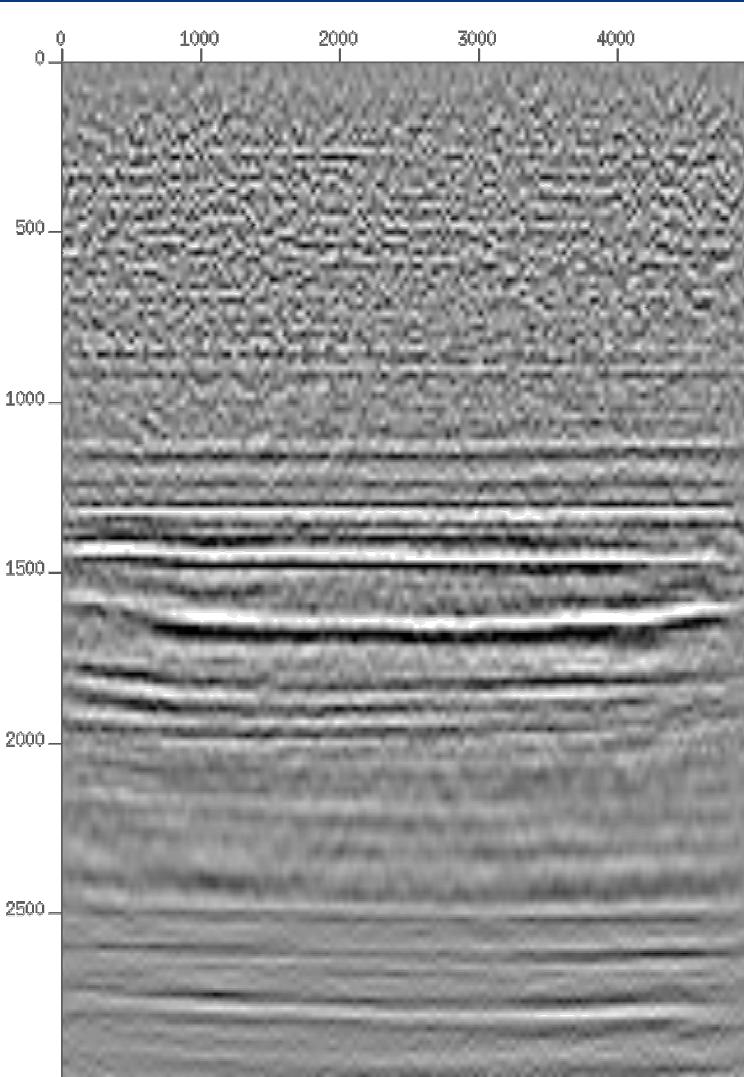


## Stacked Image (x-line #10) comparison

Migration



LS Migration



*Non-quadratic regularization  
applied to imaging*

# Non-quadratic regularization

*But first, a little about smoothing:*

$$d \perp s + n$$

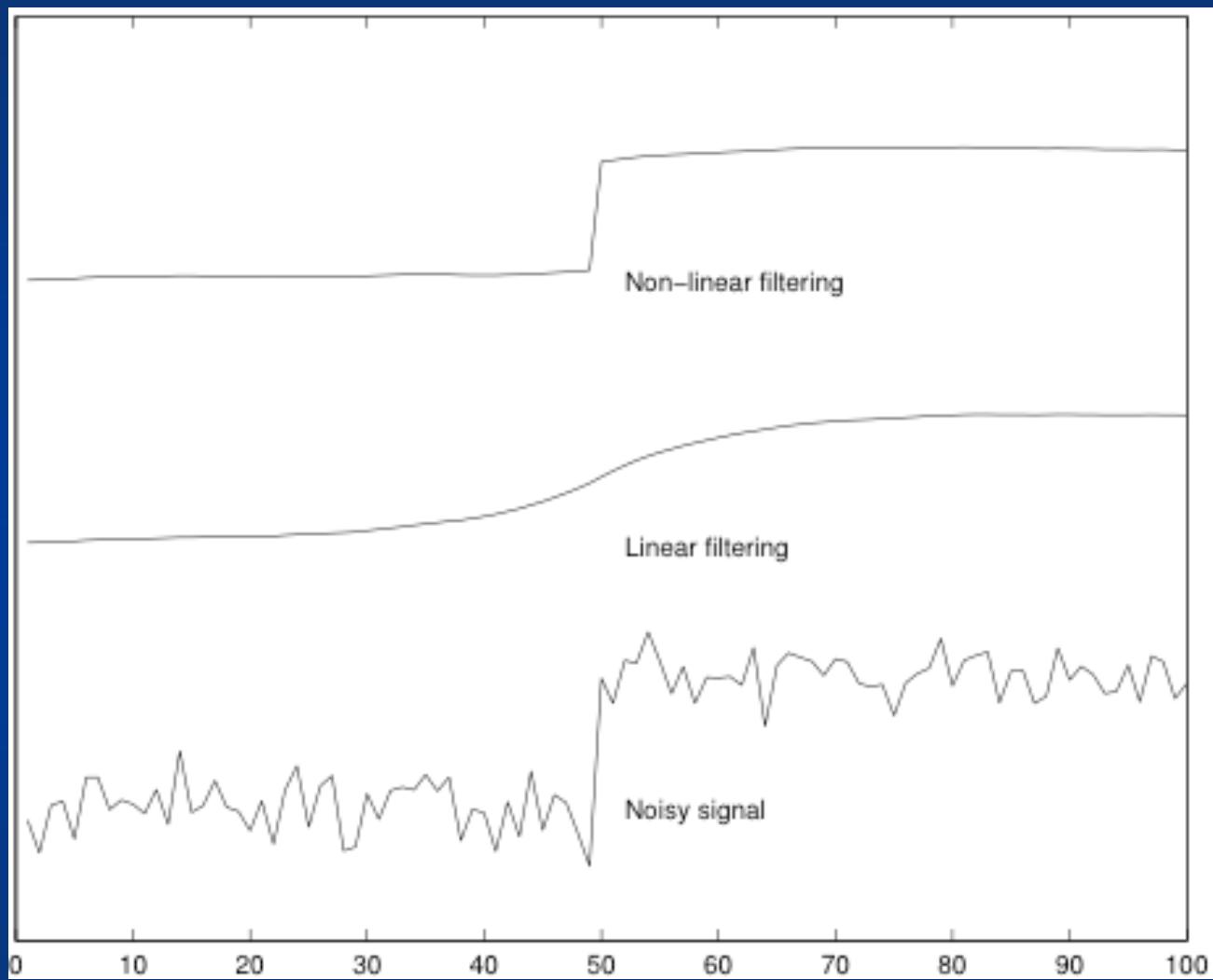
$$Rs \perp 0$$

Quadratic Smoothing

$$J = \|d \perp s\|^2 + \gamma \|Ds\|^2, \quad Ds = \partial_x s$$

Non-Quadratic Smoothing

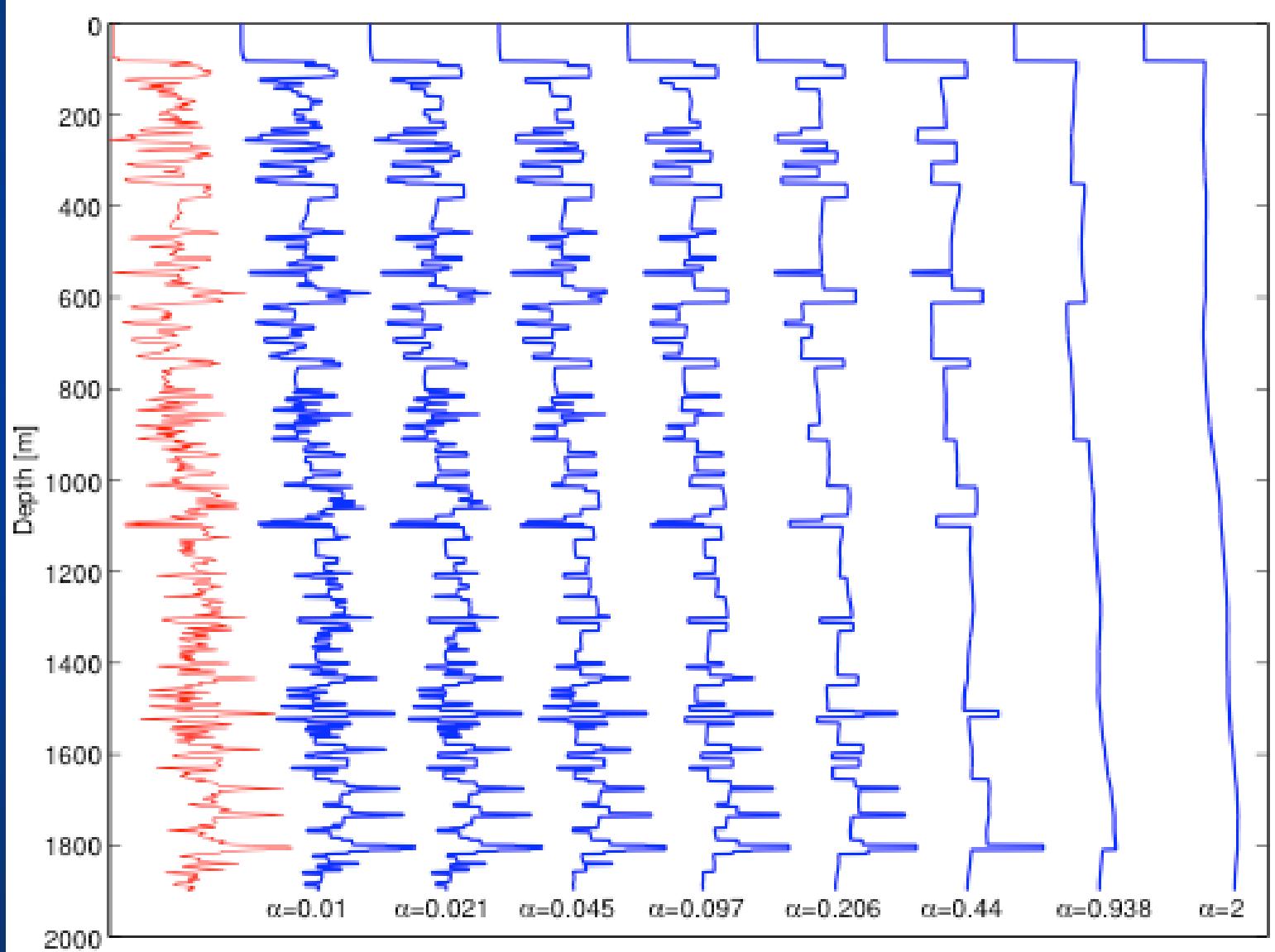
$$J = \|d \perp s\|^2 + \gamma \psi(Ds)$$



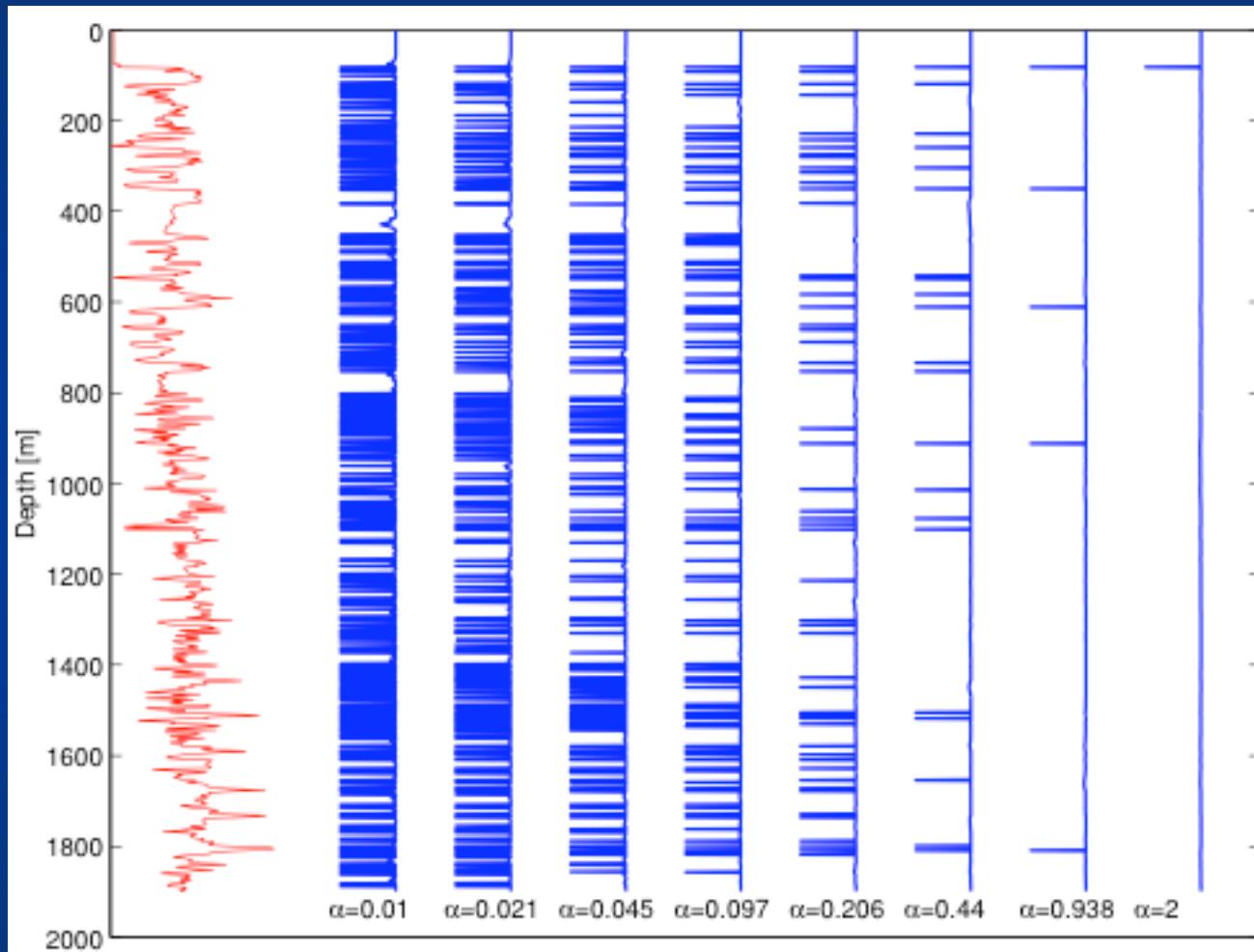
*Quadratic regularization -> Linear filters*

*Non-quadratic -> Non-linear filters*

# Segmentation/Non-linear Smoothing

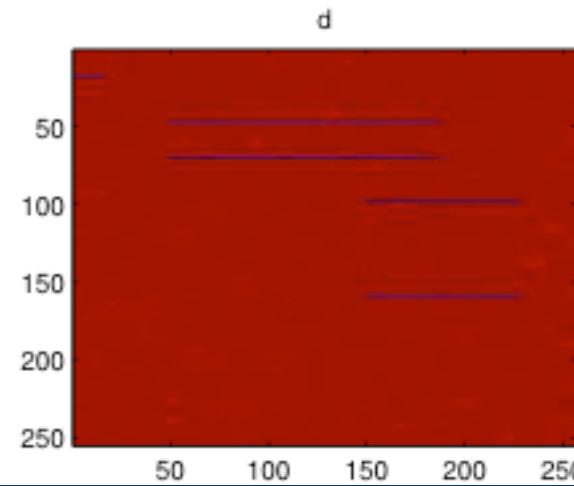
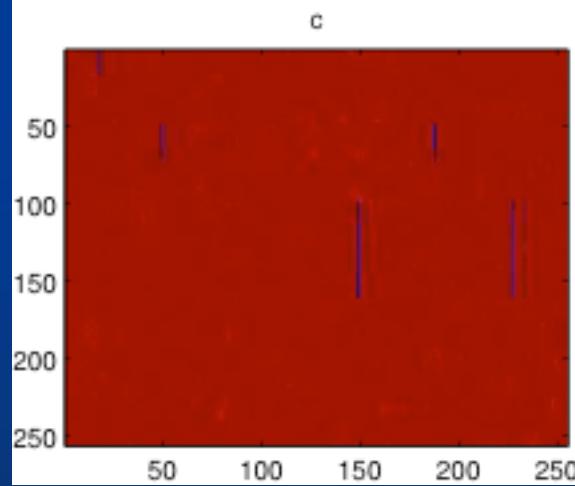
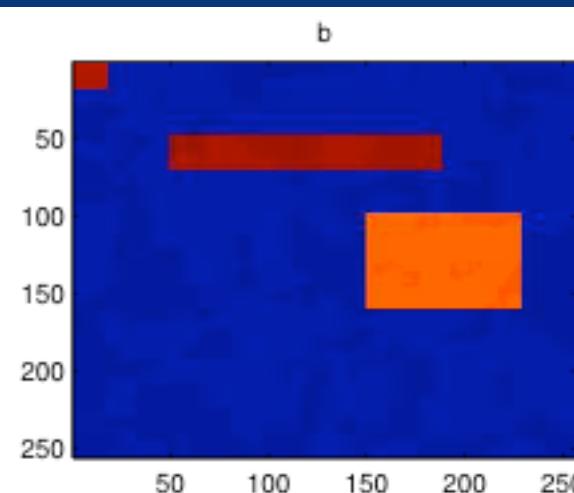
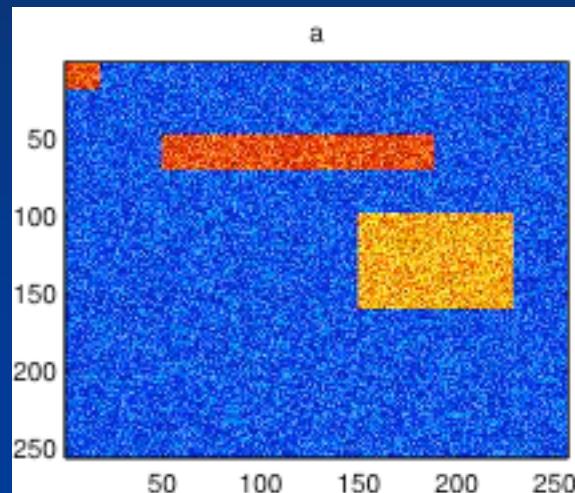


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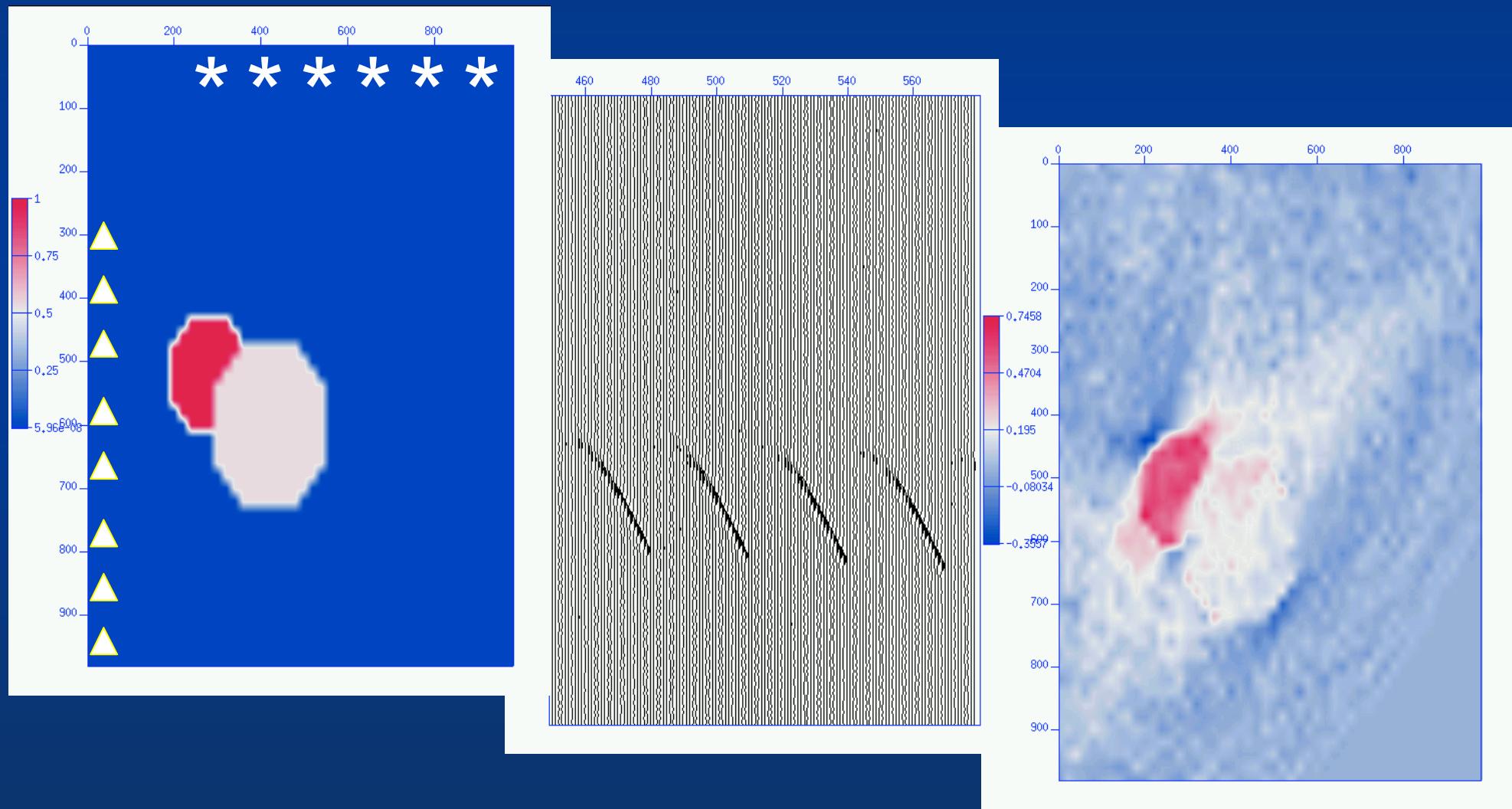
1/Variance at edge position

## *2D Segmentation/Non-linear Smoothing*

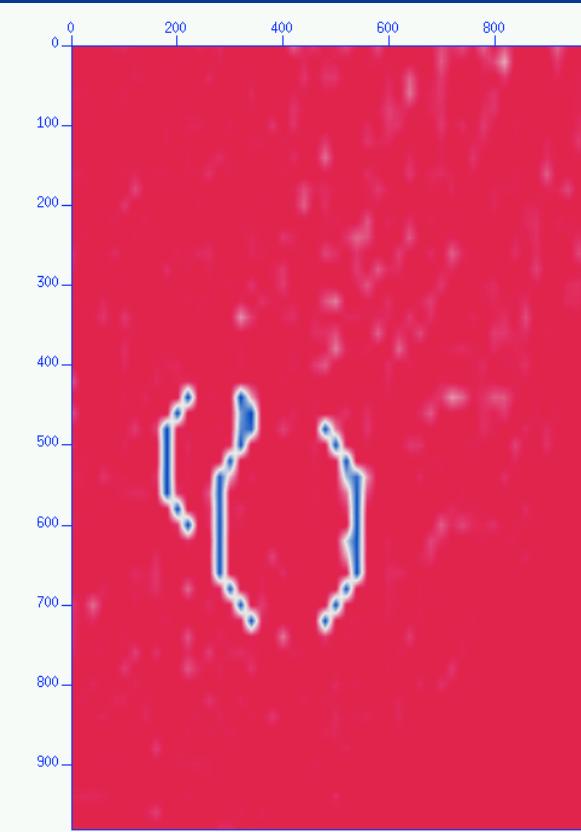


# GRT Inversion - VSP

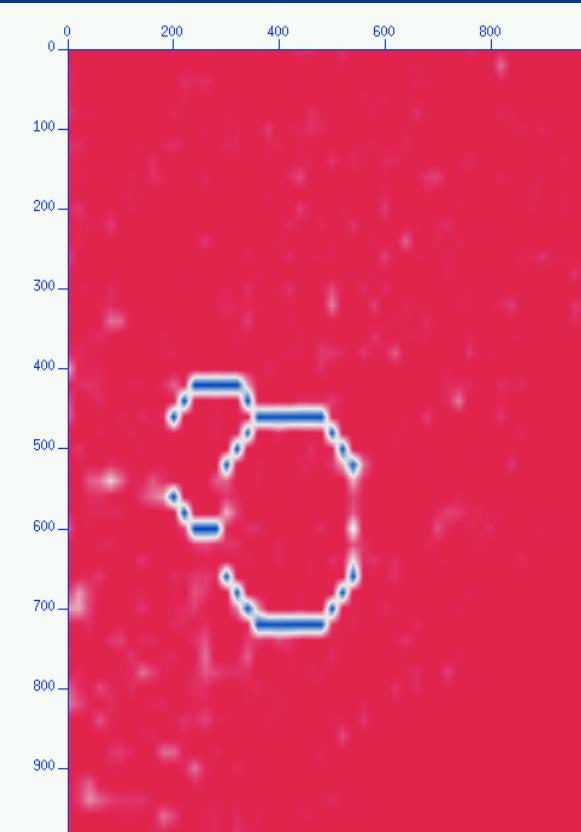
(Carrie Youzwishen, MSc 2001)



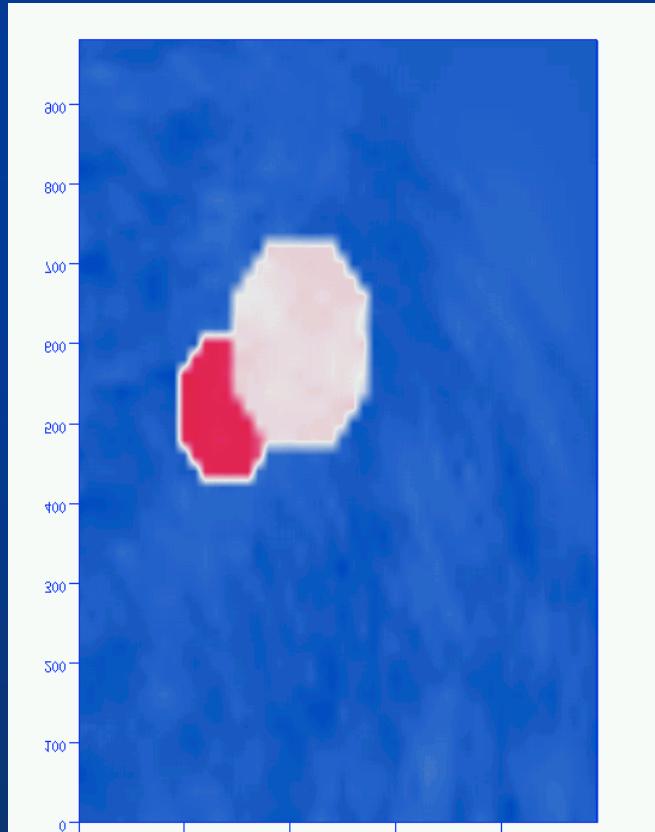
$D_x$



$D_z$



$m$



# HR Migration

(Current Direction)

- Quadratic constraint ( $D_p$ ) to smooth along  $p$  (or  $h$ )
- Non-quadratic constraint to force vertical sparseness

$$J = \|W L m - d\|^2 + \alpha \|D_h m(x, z, h)\|^2 + \beta \psi(m)$$

*Example: we compare migrated images  $m(x,z,h)$  for the following 3 imaging methods:*

**Adj**  $\tilde{m} = L'W'd$

**LS**  $\min\{ J = \|WLm - d\|^2 + \alpha \|m(x,z,h)\|^2 \}$

**HR**  $\min\{ J = \|WLm - d\|^2 + \alpha \|D_h m(x,z,h)\|^2 + \beta \|\nabla(m)\| \}$

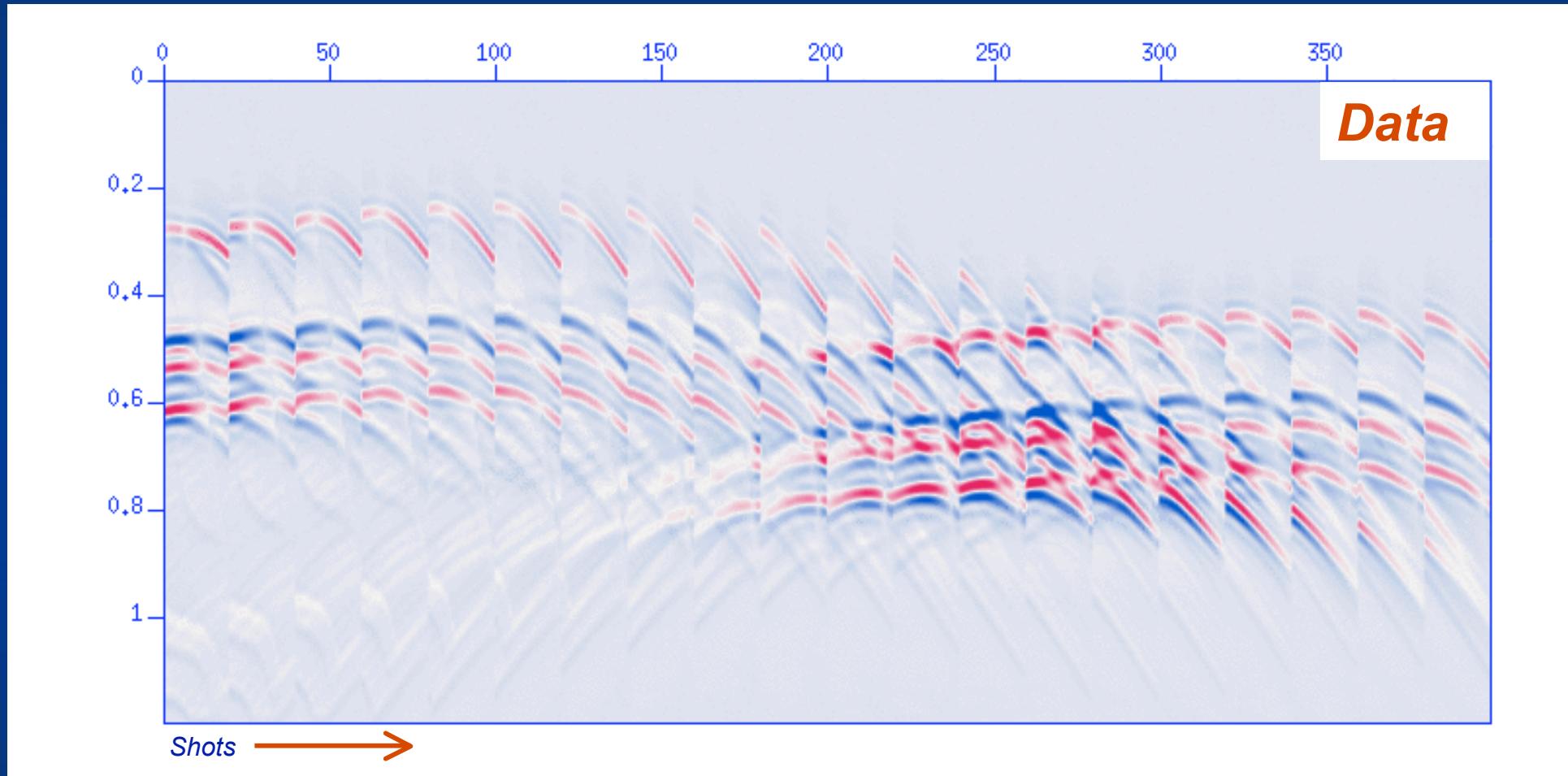
# Synthetic Model



$m(x,z)$

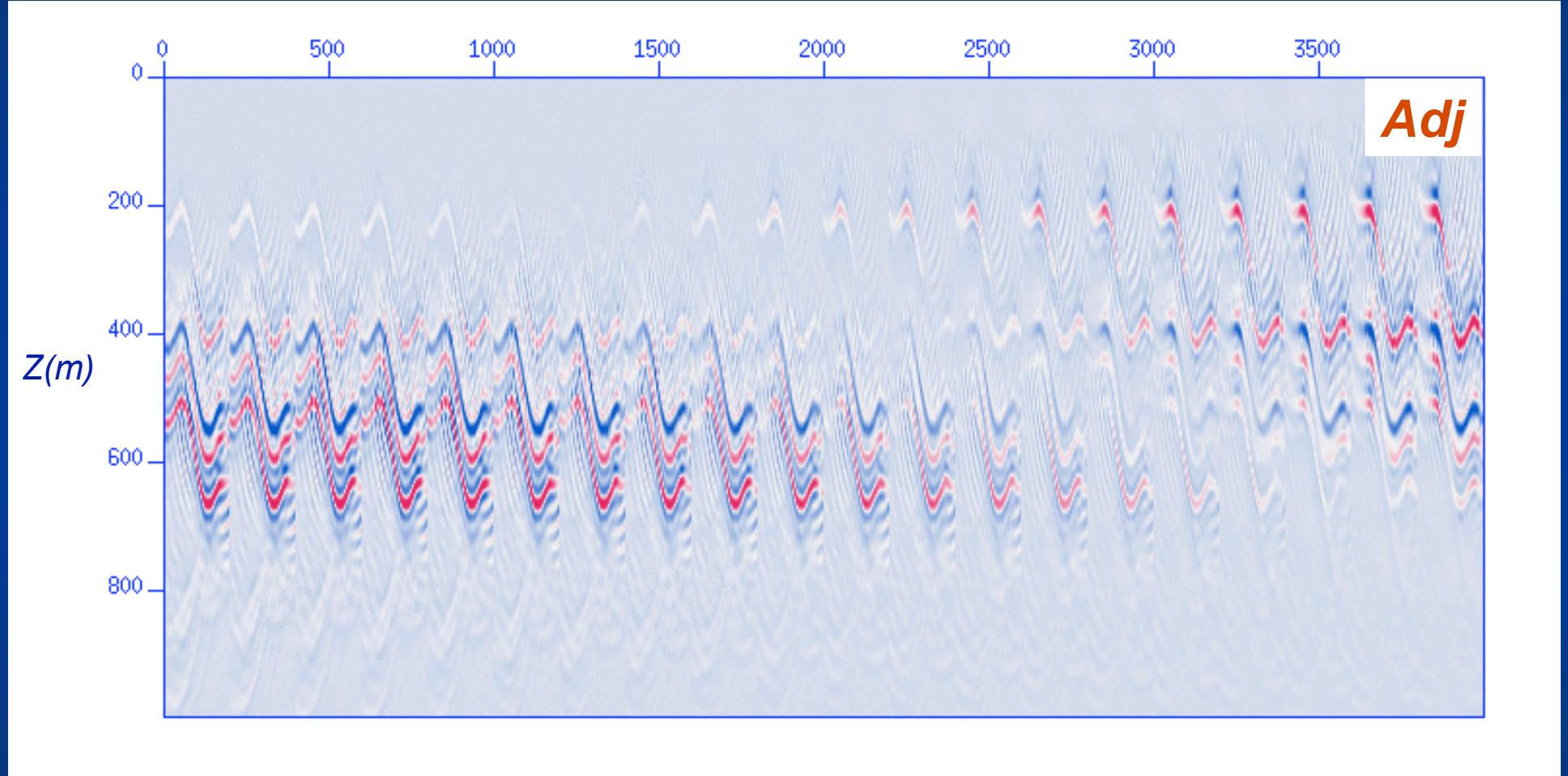
*Acoustic, Linearized, Constant V, Variable Density*

# Pre-stack data



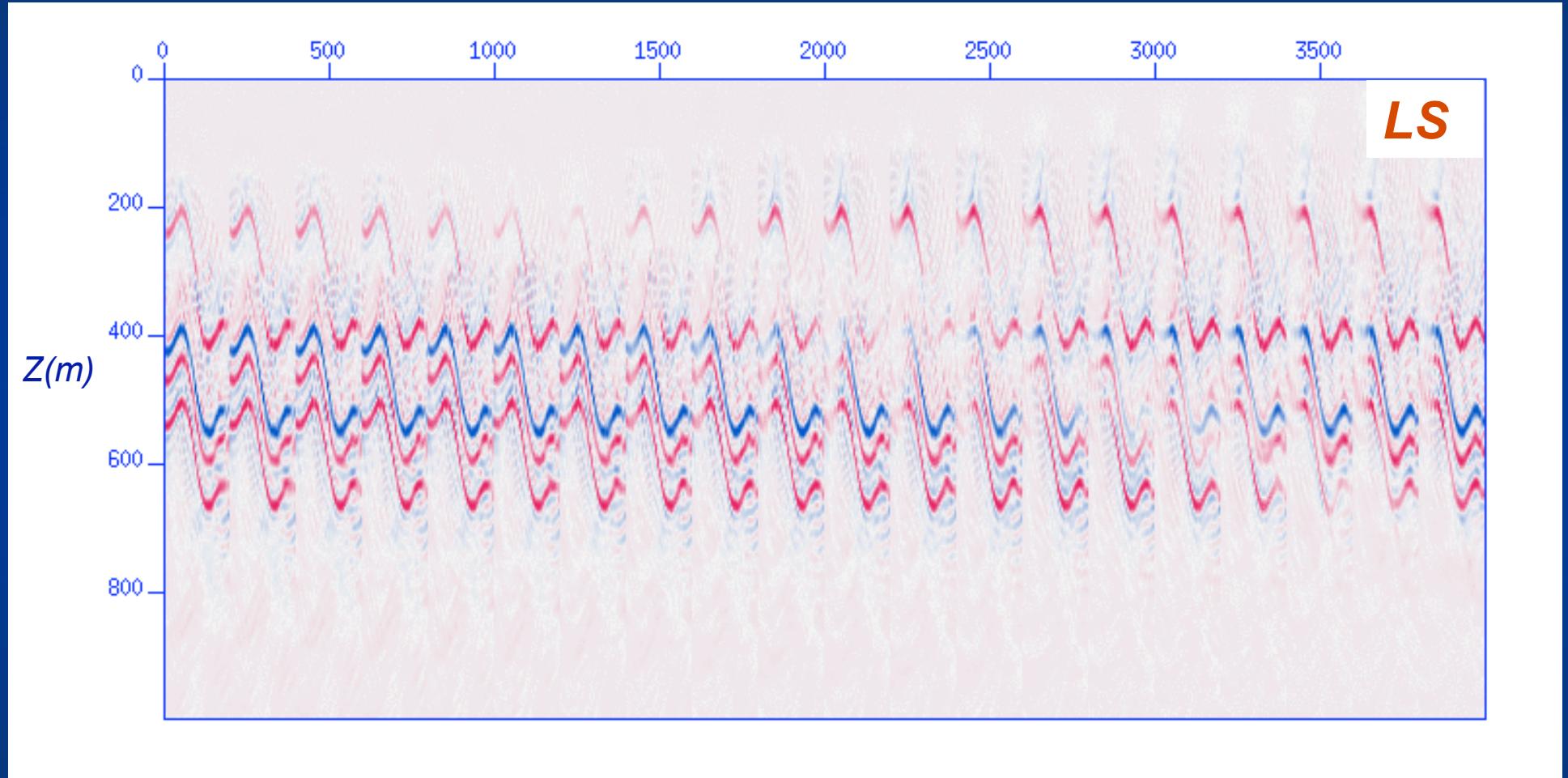
$$d(s,g,t)$$

# Common offset images



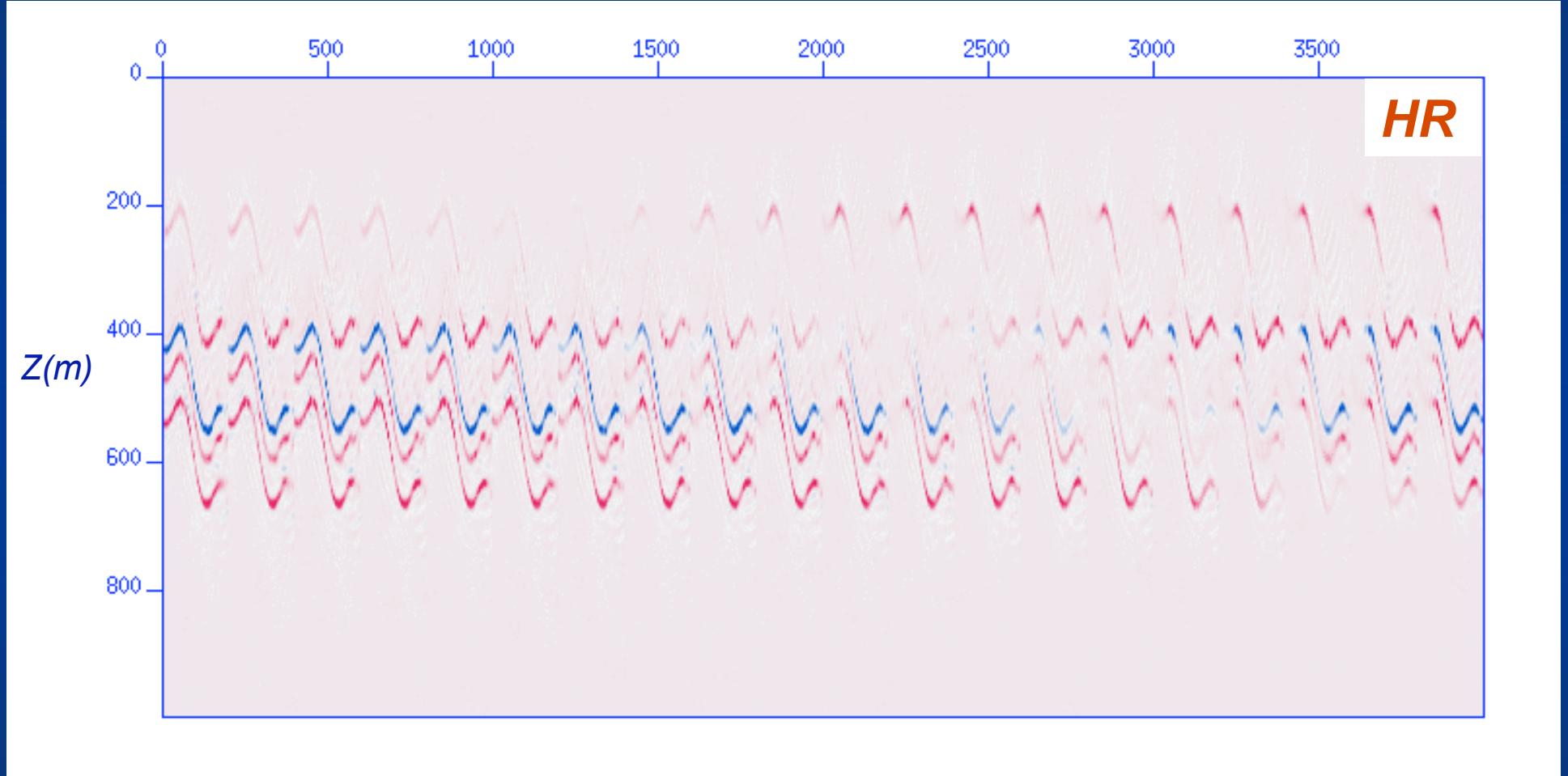
$$m(x,z,h)$$

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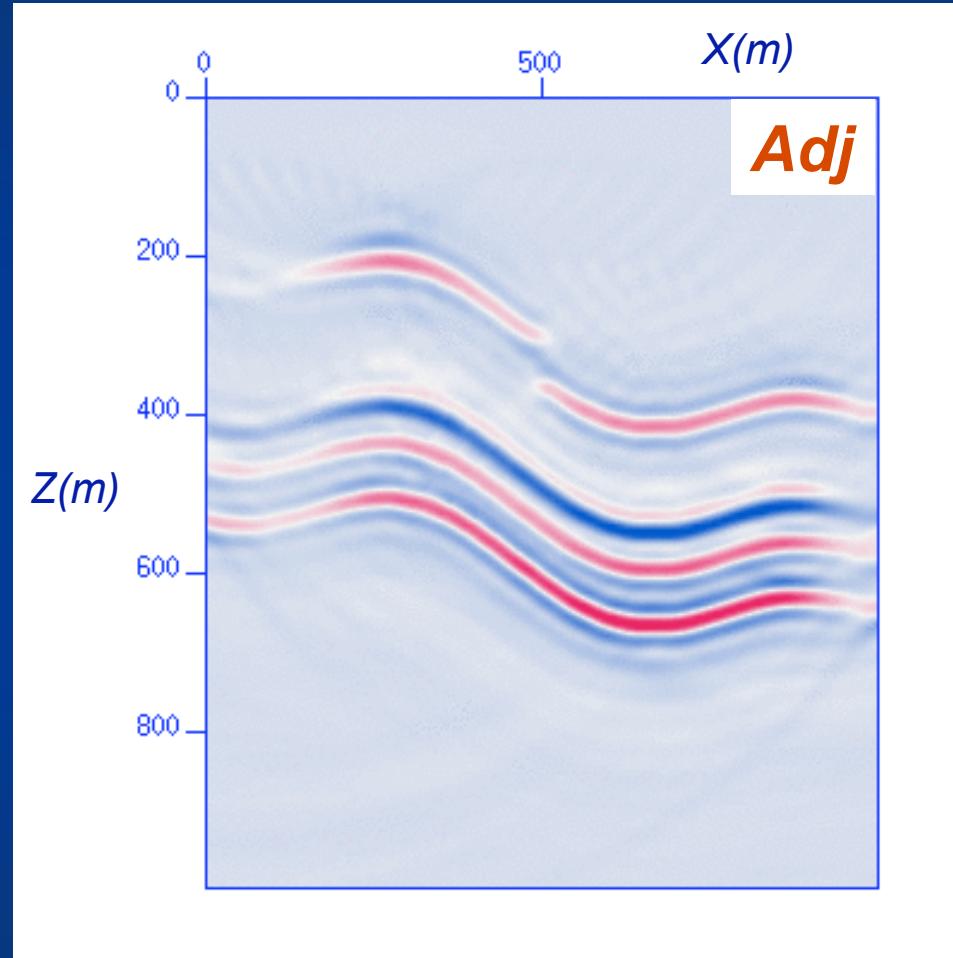
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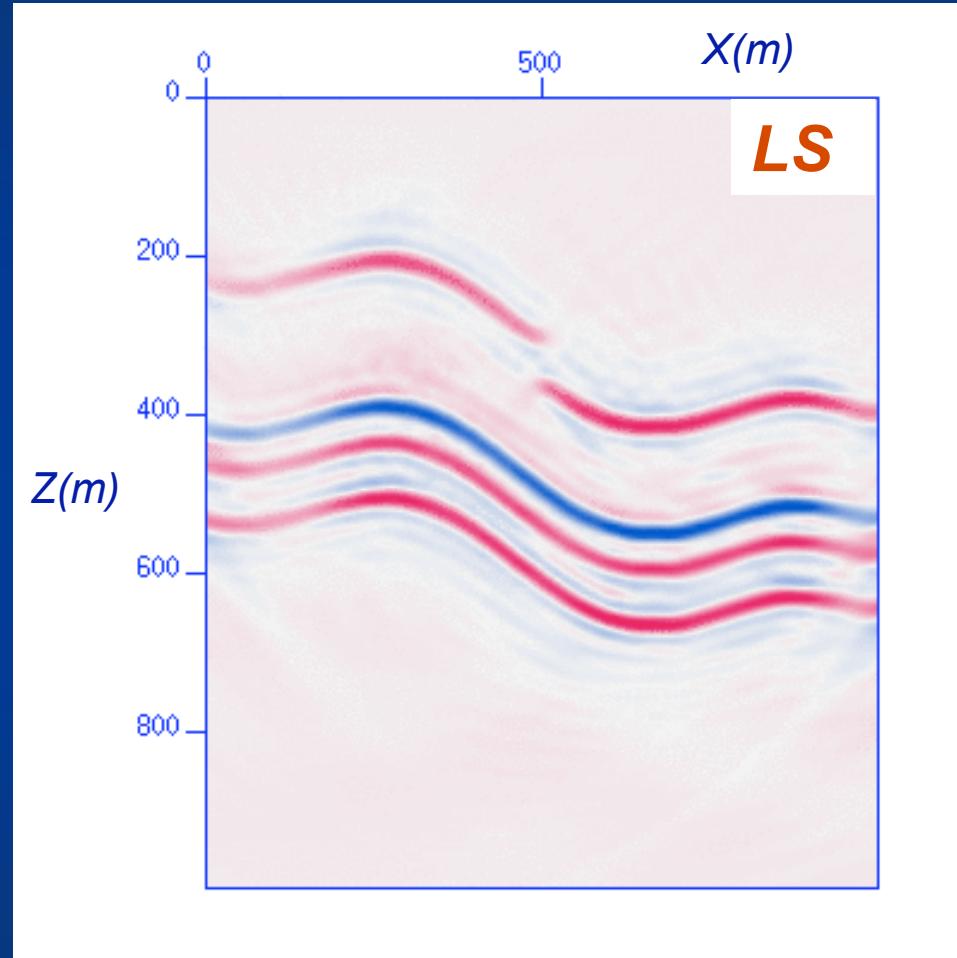


$$m(x,z,h)$$

# Stacked CIGs

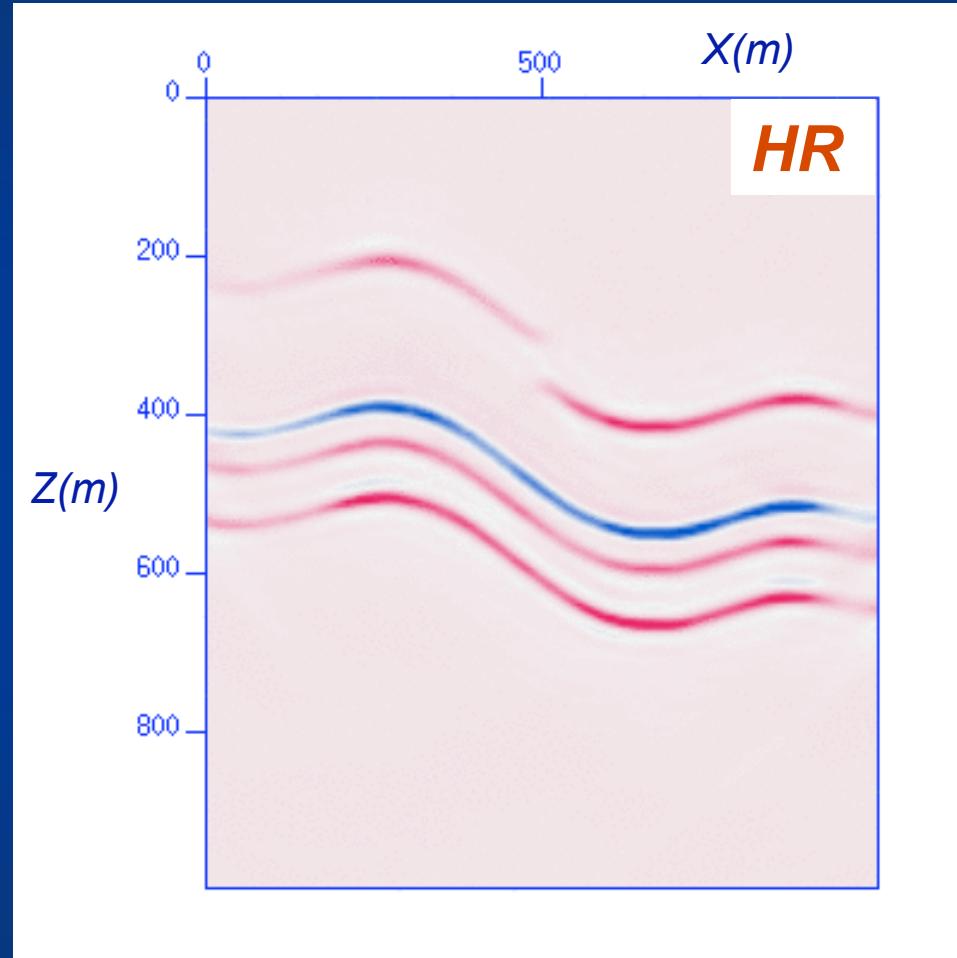


# Stacked CIGs



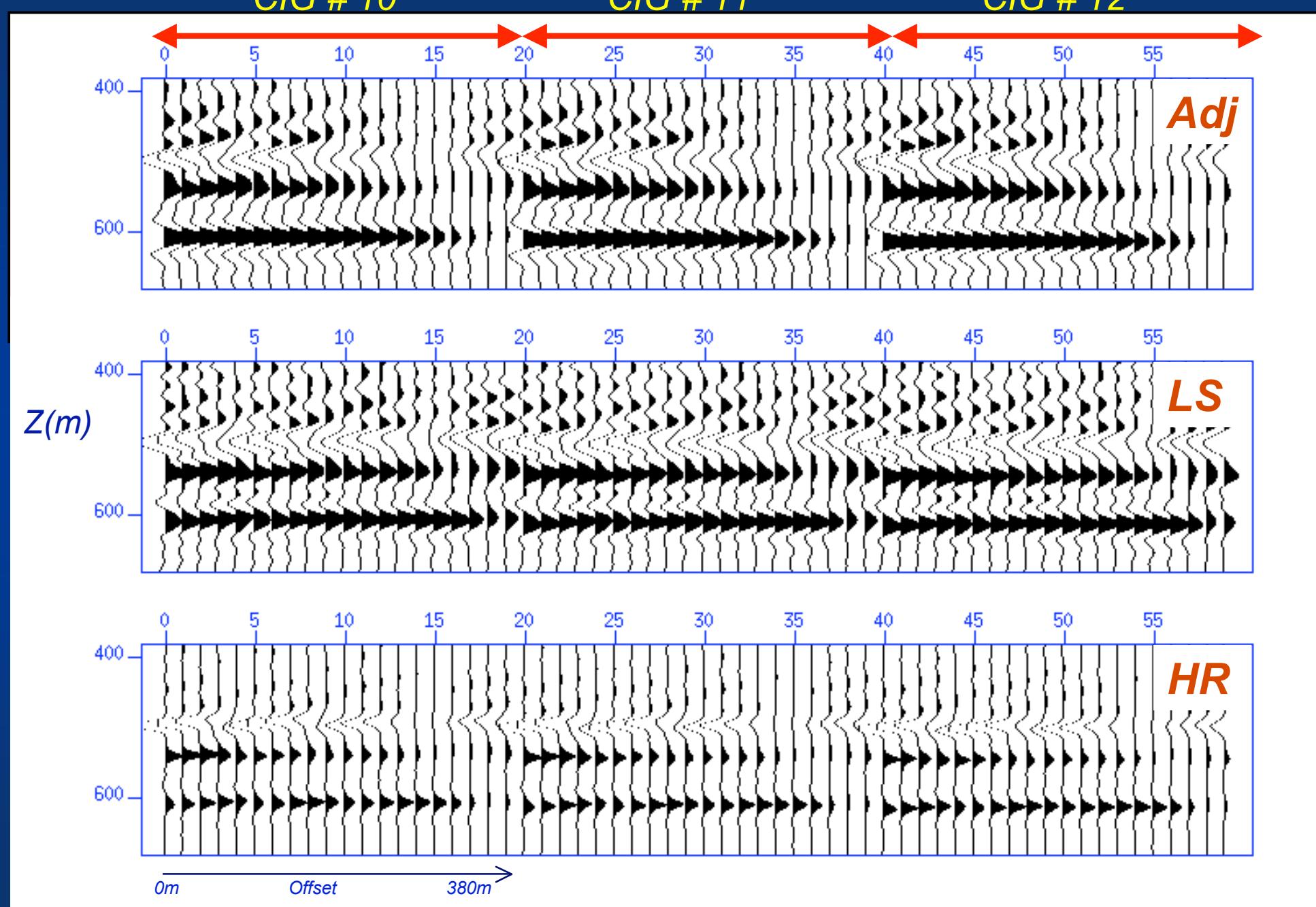
$m(x,z)$

# Stacked CIGs

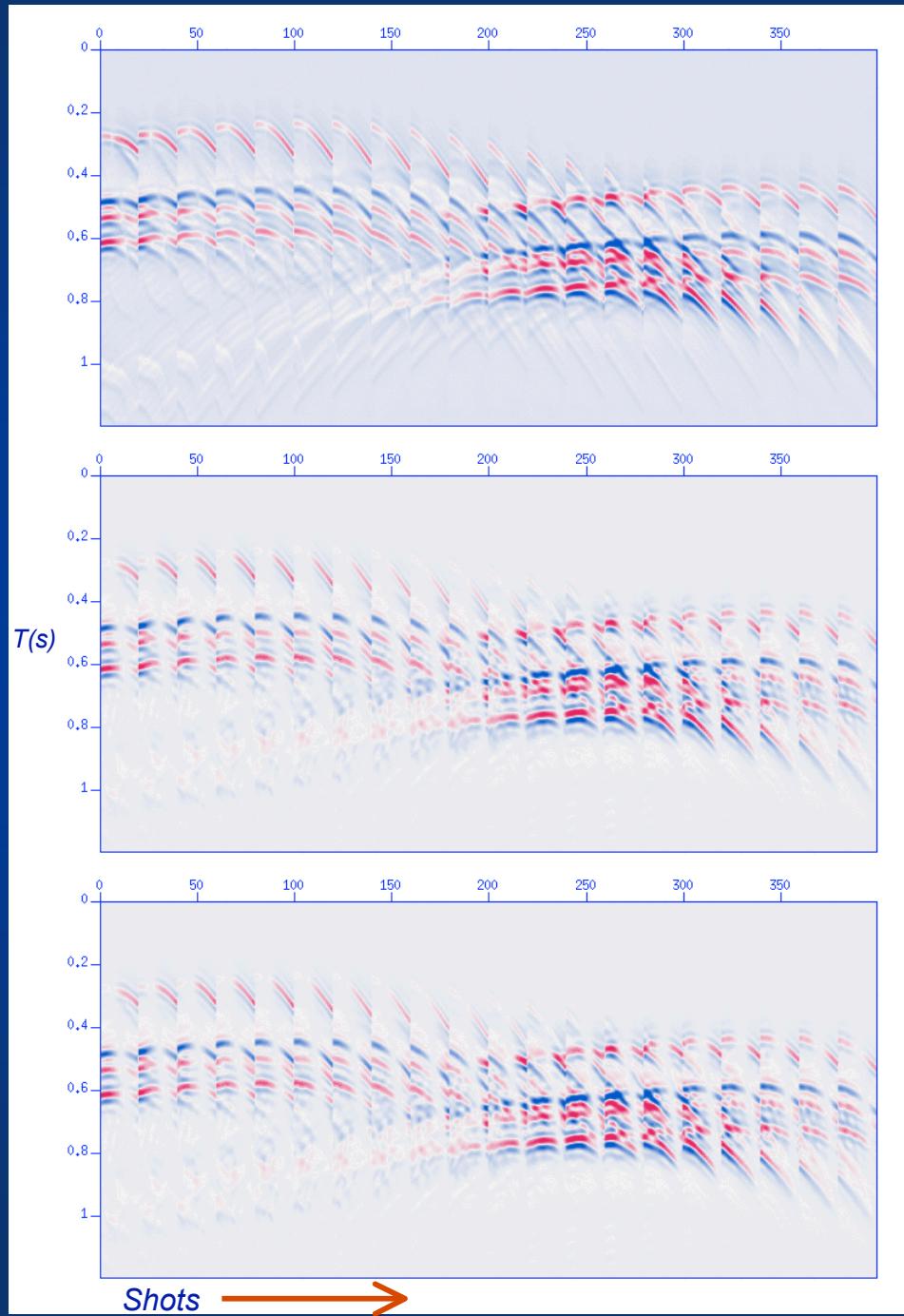


$m(x,z)$

# CIGs



$d(s, g, t)$



*Data*

*LS Prediction*

*HR Prediction*

# Conclusions

- *Imaging/Inversion with the addition of quadratic and non-quadratic constraints could lead to a new class of imaging algorithms where the resolution of the inverted image can be enhanced beyond the limits imposed by the data (aperture and band-width).*
- *This is not a completely new idea. Exploration geophysicists have been using similar concepts to invert post-stack data (sparse spike inversion) and to design Radon operators.*
- *Finally, it is important to stress that any regularization strategy capable of enhancing the resolution of seismic images must be applied in the CIG domain. Continuity along the CIG horizontal variable (offset, angle, ray parameter) in conjunction with sparseness in depth, appears to be reasonable choice.*

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