

Bandwidth extension for wave-based imaging

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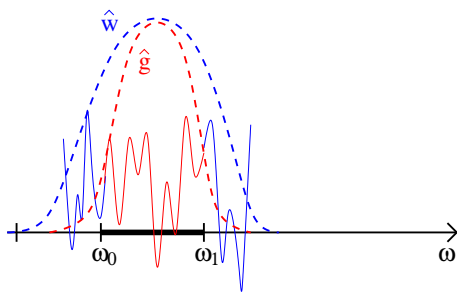
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Bandwidth extension...



- Which signal model?
- How far can we hope to extrapolate?
- What level of confidence?

... for wave-based imaging

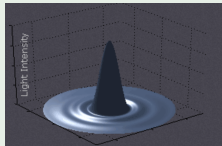
$$\hat{u}(\omega) = \hat{g}(\omega)\hat{v}(\omega)$$

$\hat{g}(\omega)$ is

- PSF (image processing)
- pulse (radar)
- wavelet (seismic)

Blur at scale $2\pi/\omega_1$

Rayleigh diffraction limit



For illustration, reflection model

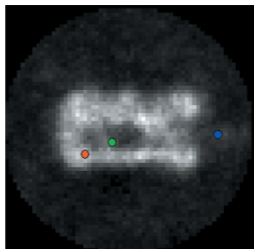
$$\hat{v}(\omega) = \int G_c(x_S, x; \omega) \rho(x) G_c(x, x_R; \omega) dx + h.o.t.,$$

background velocity c , reflectivity ρ

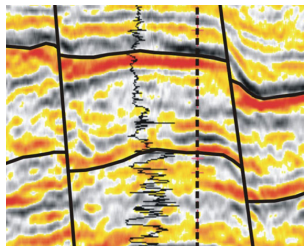
High frequencies

Beyond ω_1 : super-resolution

Find small-scale details that seem absent from data



Credit: Papsen & Narayanan



Credit: CO2CRC

Super-resolved microscopy: W. E. Moerner.

Low frequencies

Below ω_0 : inverse scattering

The dependence on c is “least nonlinear” at low frequencies:

$$G_c(x, y; \omega) \sim e^{i\omega\tau(x,y)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\delta^2 \hat{v}}{\delta c^2} \sim \omega^2$$

FWI: solve for (c, ρ) starting with low frequencies only, slowly grow the window.

EFWI: seed FWI on synthesized low frequencies

Extrapolation to low ω \Leftrightarrow Inversion of c, ρ

$$\hat{v}(\omega) = \int G_c(x_S, x; \omega) \rho(x) G_c(x, x_R; \omega) dx + h.o.t.$$

but $c, \rho, \hat{g}(\omega)$ are unknown.

- 1 Sparse superposition of complex exponentials (signal processing)
- 2 Wave-inspired model reduction (seismology)

1. Sparse model

In place of

$$\hat{v}(\omega) = \int G_c(x_S, x; \omega) \rho(x) G_c(x, x_R; \omega) dx + h.o.t.,$$

use instead

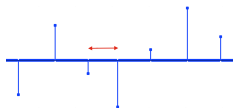
$$\hat{v}(\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^k a_j e^{i\omega\theta_j} + e(\omega)$$

... because wave recordings can often be decomposed into coherent events:

- $G_c(x, y, \omega) \sim e^{i\omega\tau(x,y)}$
- the singularities of $\rho(x)$ matter most

In time: a spike train

$$v(t) = \sum_{j=1}^k a_j \delta(t - \theta_j) + \text{error}$$



Super-resolution question

Minimum recoverable distance $\tau = \min_{i \neq j} |\theta_i - \theta_j|$ vs.

- band limit $\Omega = \omega_1 - \omega_0$,
- sparsity k ,
- noise level $\sigma = \|e\|_2$.

Extrapolation: determine a_j, θ_j , then evaluate $\hat{v}(\omega)$ for new ω

Practical indications, ca. 1980

Safe, pessimistic answer: Nyquist/Rayleigh sampling $\tau \geq \frac{2\pi}{\Omega}$.

Radioastronomy, ultrasound, NMR spectroscopy: super-resolution seems possible when $\tau < \frac{2\pi}{\Omega}$. Sparsity helps.

Classes of algorithms:

- 1 Subspace / MUSIC (MUltiple Signal Classification)
- 2 Matrix pencil / HSVD / FRI etc.
- 3 ℓ_1 minimization to recover a sparse x from y
- 4 Matching pursuits: remove spikes 1-by-1

Donoho, 1992: super-resolution is real

$$\hat{v}(\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^k a_j e^{i\omega\theta_j} + e(\omega), \quad |\omega| \leq \frac{\Omega}{2}$$

Parameters: $\theta_j \in \tau\mathbb{Z}$, and $\text{SRF} = \frac{2\pi}{\tau\Omega}$. (Nyquist: $\text{SRF} = 1$.)

Theorem (Donoho)

Let $S_k = \{k\text{-sparse } x\}$, and consider the minimax error

$$E_{\min\max} = \inf_{\tilde{v}} \sup_{v \in S_k} \sup_{\|e\|_2 \leq \sigma} \|\tilde{v} - v_0\|_2.$$

Then

$$C_{1,k} (\text{SRF})^{2k-1} \sigma \leq E_{\min\max} \leq C_{2,k} (\text{SRF})^{2k+1} \sigma$$

Donoho's original model: sparse clumps of cardinality k .

An answer to Donoho's question:

Theorem (D., Nguyen, 2015)

The recoverability scaling is

$$E_{\min\max} \asymp C_k (\text{SRF})^{2k-1} \sigma$$

Additionally, *MUSIC reaches this bound.*

Consequences for **extrapolation**:

- Go from band of size Ω to band of size $(\text{SRF}) \times \Omega$,
- Conditioning penalty factor $(\text{SRF})^{2k-1}$.

2. Wave-inspired model reduction

In place of

$$\widehat{v}_{R,S}(\omega) = \int G_c(x_S, x; \omega) \rho(x) G_c(x, x_R; \omega) dx + h.o.t.,$$

use a sparse superposition of **atomic phases**

$$\widehat{v}_{R,S}(\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^k a_j(x_R, x_S; \omega) e^{i(\omega \tau_j(x_R, x_S) + \phi_j(x_R, x_S; \omega))}$$

where all functions are as smooth as possible (not oscillatory)

- $a_j(x_R, x_S; \omega)$: geometrical spreading, wavelet inaccuracies
- $\tau_j(x_R, x_S)$: arrival times
- $\phi_j(x_R, x_S; \omega)$: dispersive corrections

Model reduction

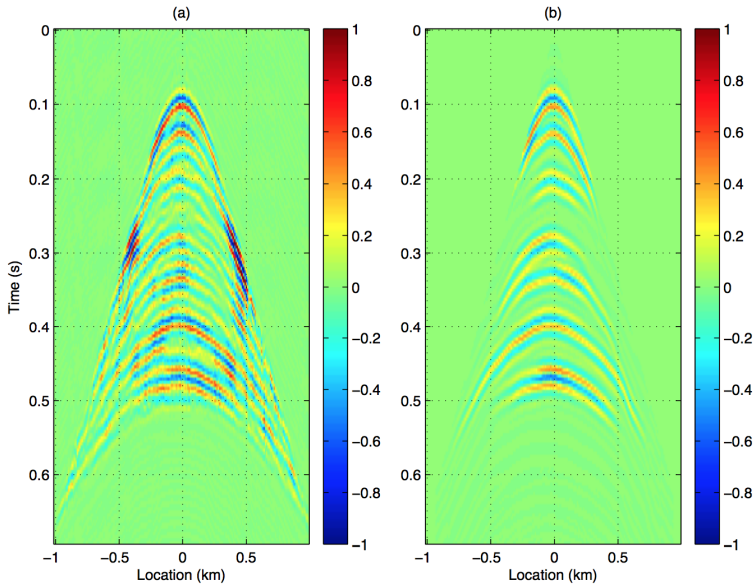
In principle: minimize LS data misfit, while keeping ϕ_j , $\nabla\phi_j$, ∇a_j , $\nabla\tau_j$ small.

Strong **nonconvexity**!

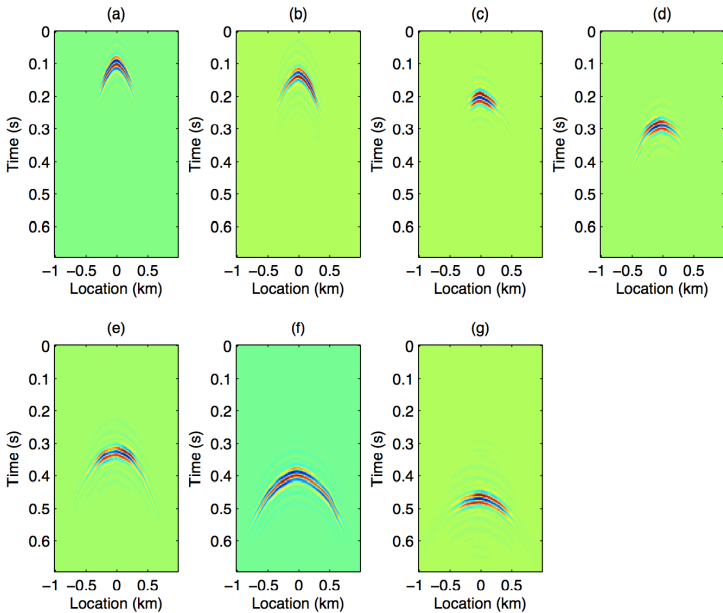
Best handled by the **tracking** heuristic:

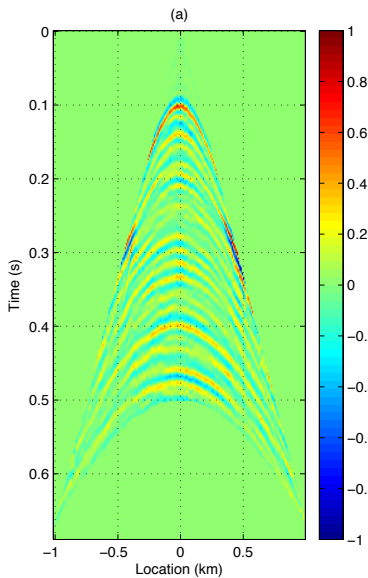
- Initialize with a good linear-phase finder (like MUSIC)
- Iterate to fit the nonlinearities in a_j and ϕ_j .
- Carefully grow a trust region in ω and x_R, x_S .

Extrapolation: polynomial fits for a_j, ϕ_j , and evaluate formula for new values of ω .

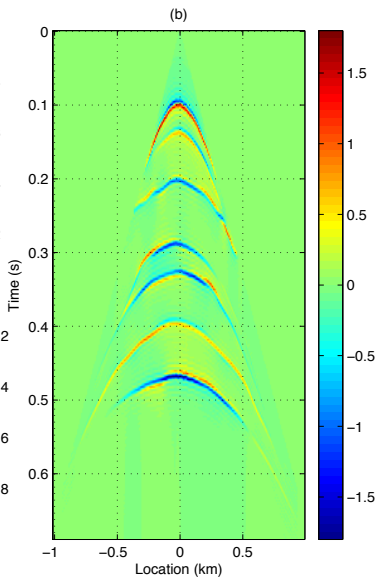


Band: [16, 70] Hz.

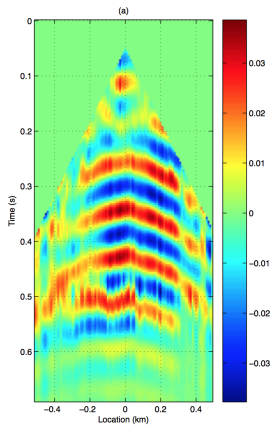




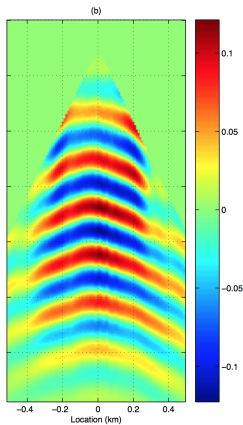
[10, 85] Hz (true)



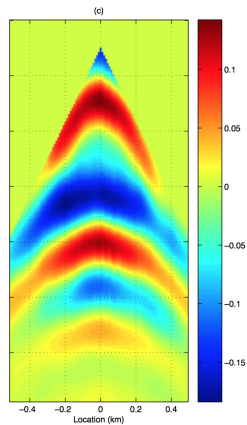
[0.5, 120] Hz (extrap).



[10, 16] Hz (true)

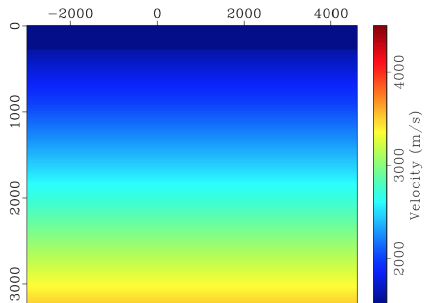
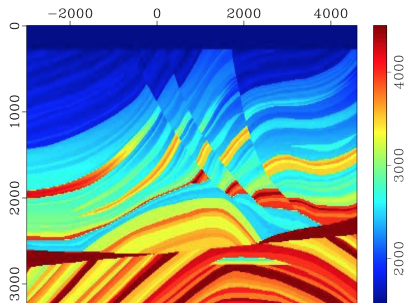


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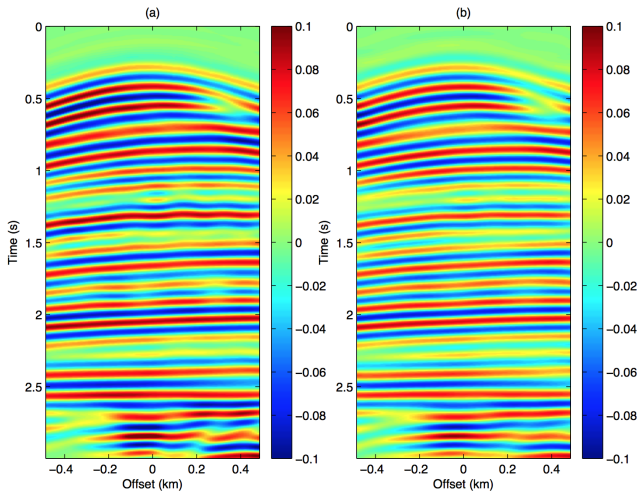
[0.5, 10] Hz (extrap)

Example 2: Marmousi at [5, 15] Hz



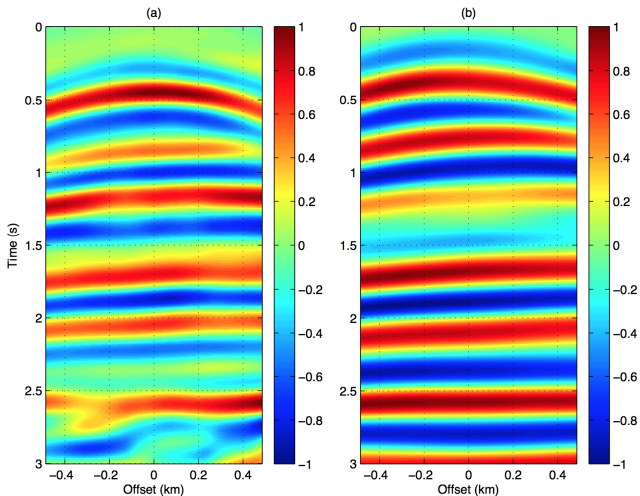
Original vs. initial

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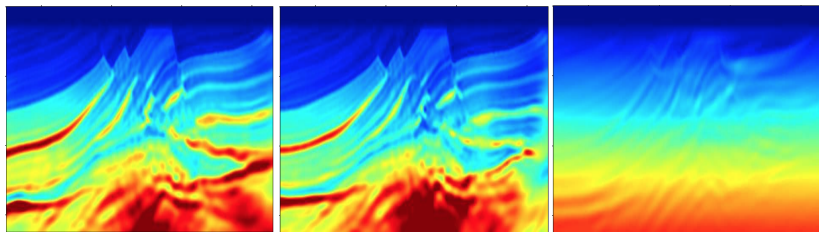
Synthesized data, [5, 15] Hz, vs. phase tracking fit (9 events)

Example 2: Marmousi at [5, 15] Hz



Unavailable data, [1, 5] Hz, vs. extrapolated data

Example 2: Marmousi at [5, 15] Hz



FWI [1, 15] Hz, vs. EFWI [5, 15] Hz, vs. FWI [5, 15] Hz
(Cheating) (New method) (Old method)

Conclusions

Recent results help understand what is possible with **extrapolation**:

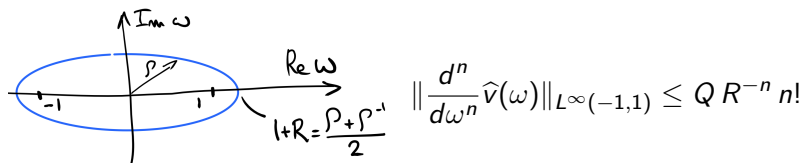
- **k -sparsity** enables provable bandwidth extension
- **model reduction with phases** is robust enough to handle seismic shot records

Outlook / other topics:

- **smoothness** enables extrapolation up to a fraction of the characteristic smoothness length
- **model extension** can be used in place of model reduction for frequency extrapolation

Bonus slides

1. Analytic model



... because the scattering poles of $G_c(x, y; \cdot)$ are hopefully far from the real axis:

- radiation condition
- no resonant cavity
- attenuation

Main result

Noise level $\sigma = \|e\|_\infty$, N equispaced points, Bernstein radius ρ .
Least-squares fit by a polynomial $p_M(\omega)$ of degree

$$M = \min\left\{\frac{\sqrt{N}}{2}, \log_\rho(1/\sigma)\right\}$$

Theorem (D., Townsend, 2016)

Let $r(\omega) = \frac{\omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 - 1}}{2}$, so that $r \rightarrow 1^-$ when reaching the ellipse.
Then

$$|\hat{v}(\omega) - p_M(\omega)| \leq C_{\rho, \sigma} \frac{1}{1 - r(\omega)} \sigma^{\alpha(\omega)},$$

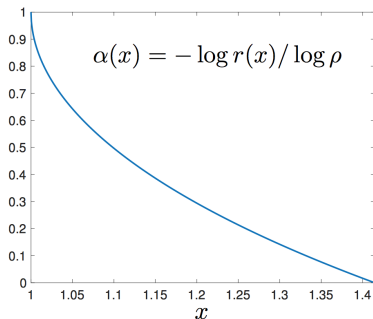
where

$$\alpha(\omega) = -\log_\rho(r(\omega)).$$

This rate is **minimax optimal**, and N does not enter the rate.

$\alpha(\omega)$

$$|\widehat{v}(\omega) - p_M(\omega)| \leq C_{\rho, \sigma} \frac{1}{1 - r(\omega)} \sigma^{\alpha(\omega)}$$



In short, the news are bad.

Model extension

1. LSERTM: solve in the ULS sense

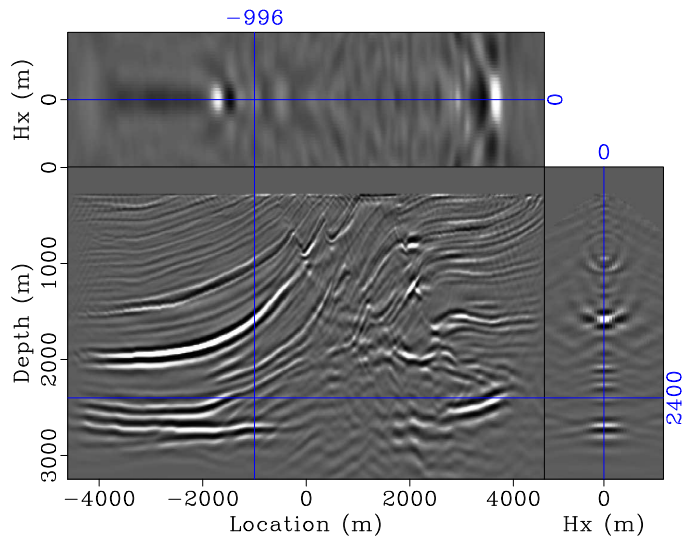
$$\min_{\bar{\rho}} \iint |\bar{\rho}(x, h)|^2 dx dh \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \hat{v} = F_e(\bar{\rho})$$

2. Better: TV regularization

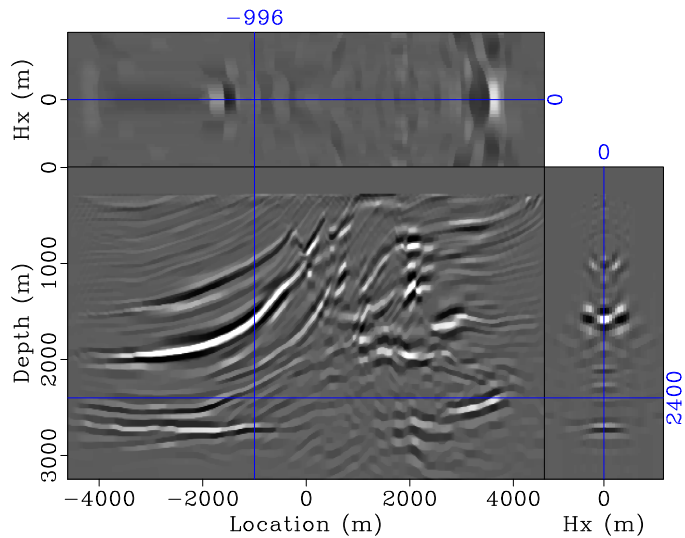
$$\min_{\bar{\rho}} \lambda \iint |\nabla_{x,h} \bar{\rho}(x, h)| dx dh + \|\hat{v} - F_e(\bar{\rho})\|_2^2$$

Extrapolation: run the F_e model with a different wavelet $\hat{w}(\omega)$.
Results similar to model reduction.

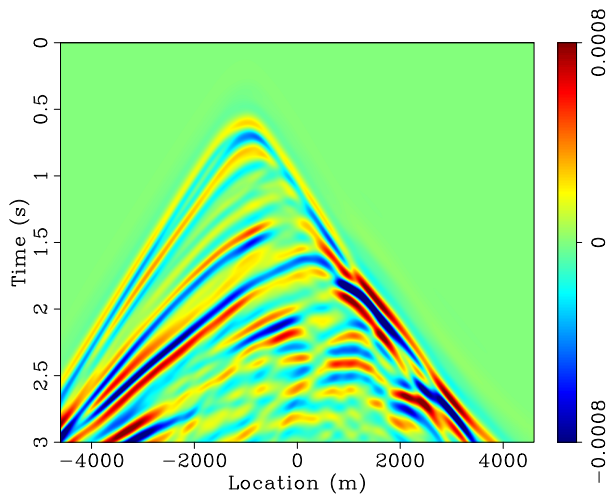
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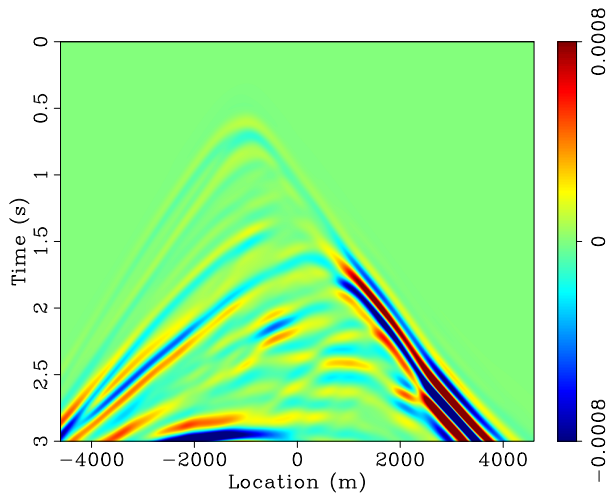
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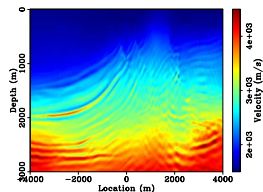
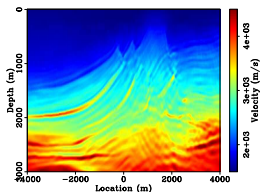
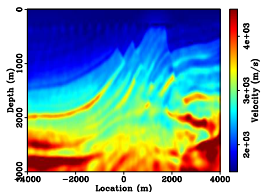
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FWI [2, 50] Hz, vs. EFWI [6, 50] Hz, vs. FWI [6, 50] Hz
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