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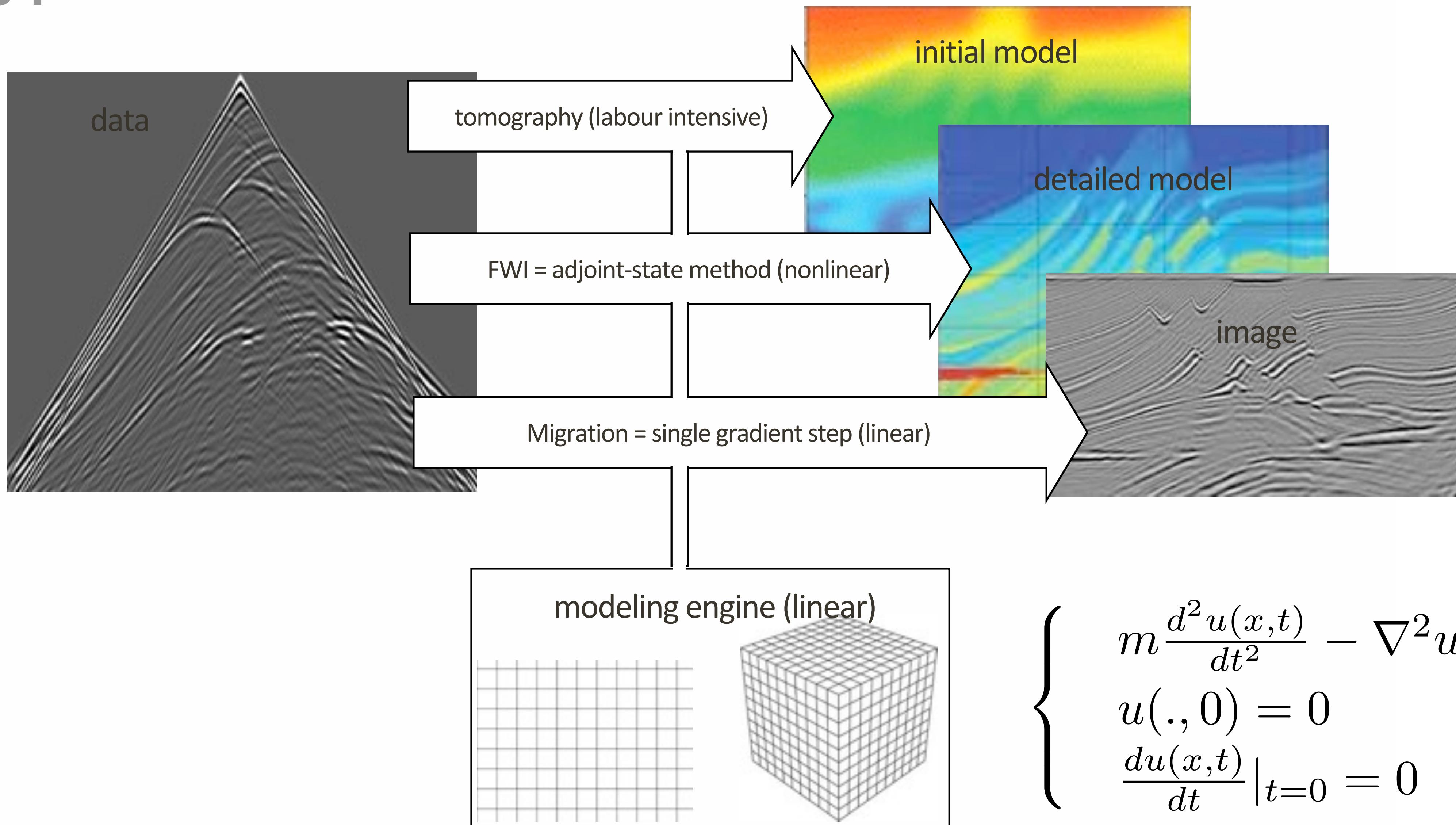
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# Big picture

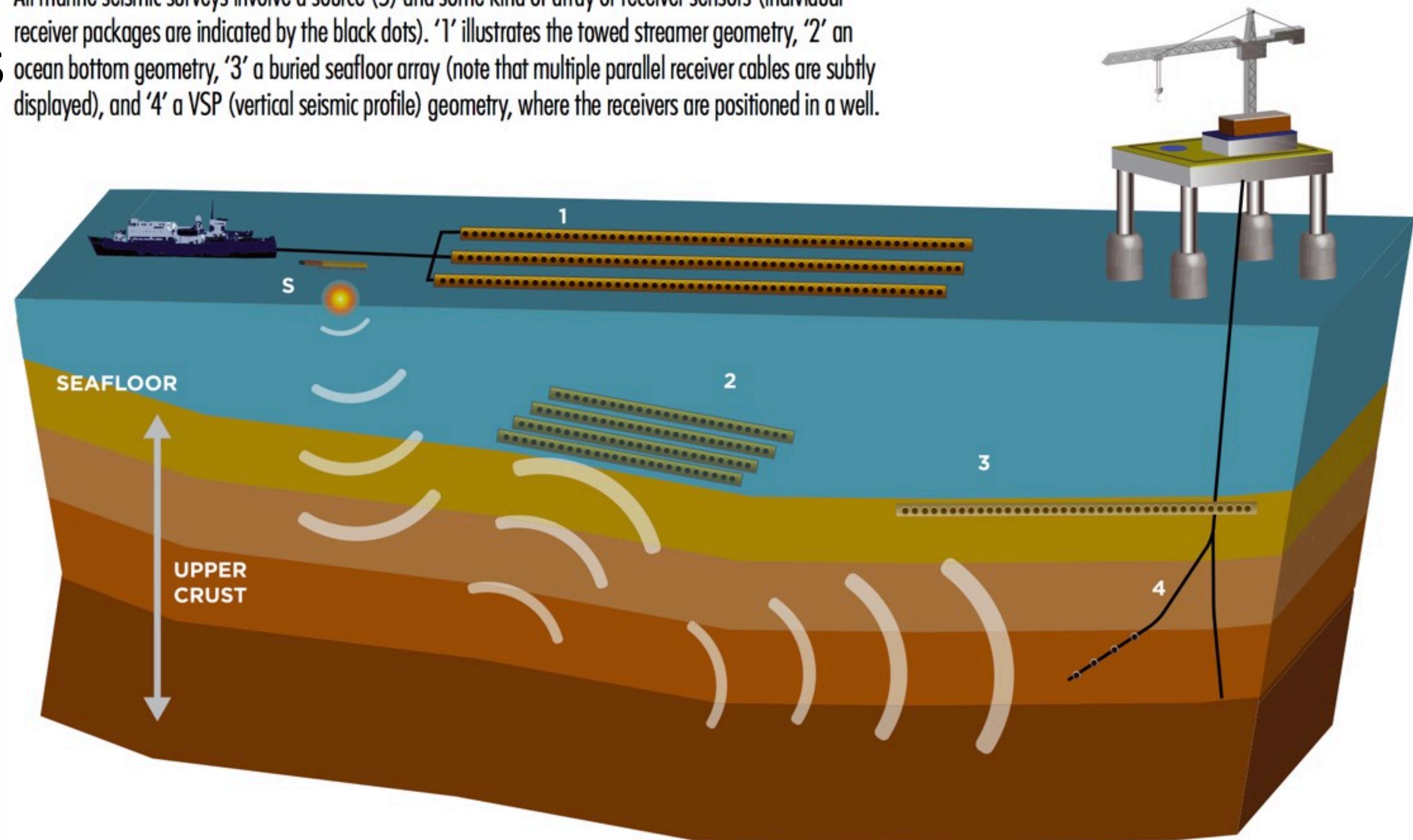


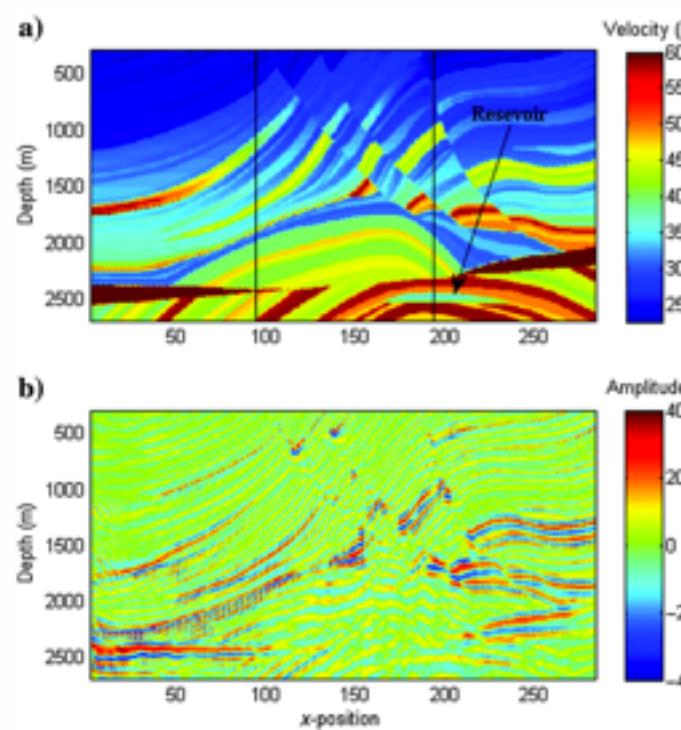
# Seismic imaging

Infer 3D images from massive multi-experiment data:

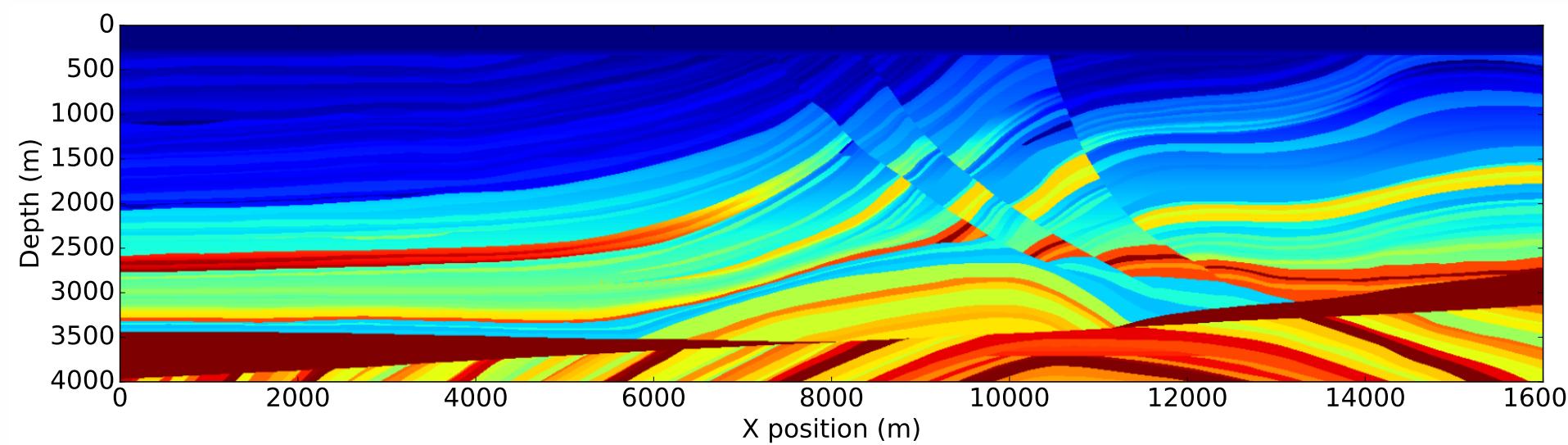
- ▶  $\mathcal{O}(10^9)$  unknowns
- ▶  $\mathcal{O}(10^{15})$  datapoints
- ▶ propagate  $\mathcal{O}(10^2)$  wavelengths
  
- ▶ **>10k time steps**
- ▶ **acoustic only**
- ▶ **elastic much larger**
- ▶ **extreme compute & IO**

All marine seismic surveys involve a source (S) and some kind of array or receiver sensors (individual receiver packages are indicated by the black dots). '1' illustrates the towed streamer geometry, '2' an ocean bottom geometry, '3' a buried seafloor array (note that multiple parallel receiver cables are subtly displayed), and '4' a VSP (vertical seismic profile) geometry, where the receivers are positioned in a well.

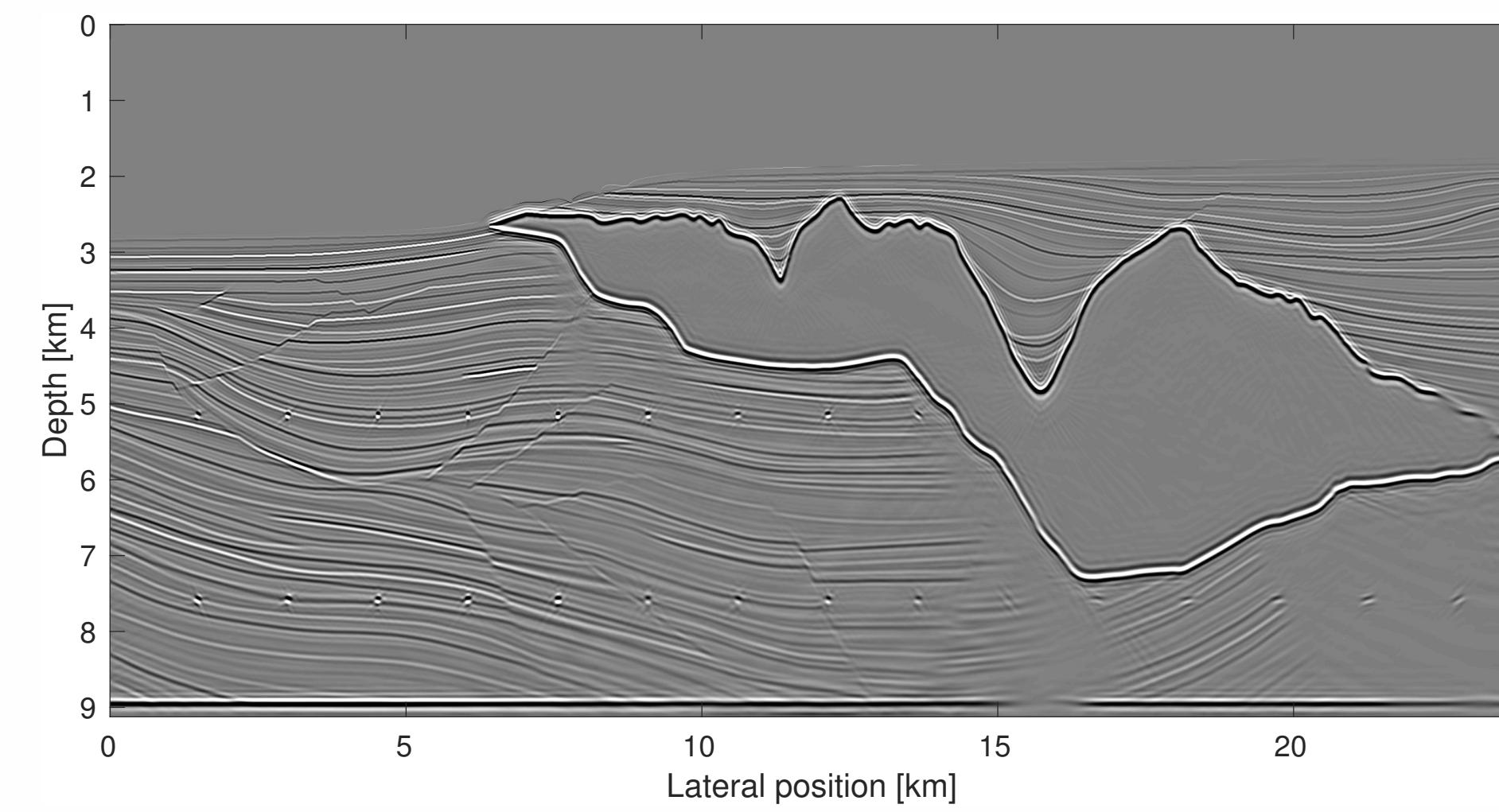




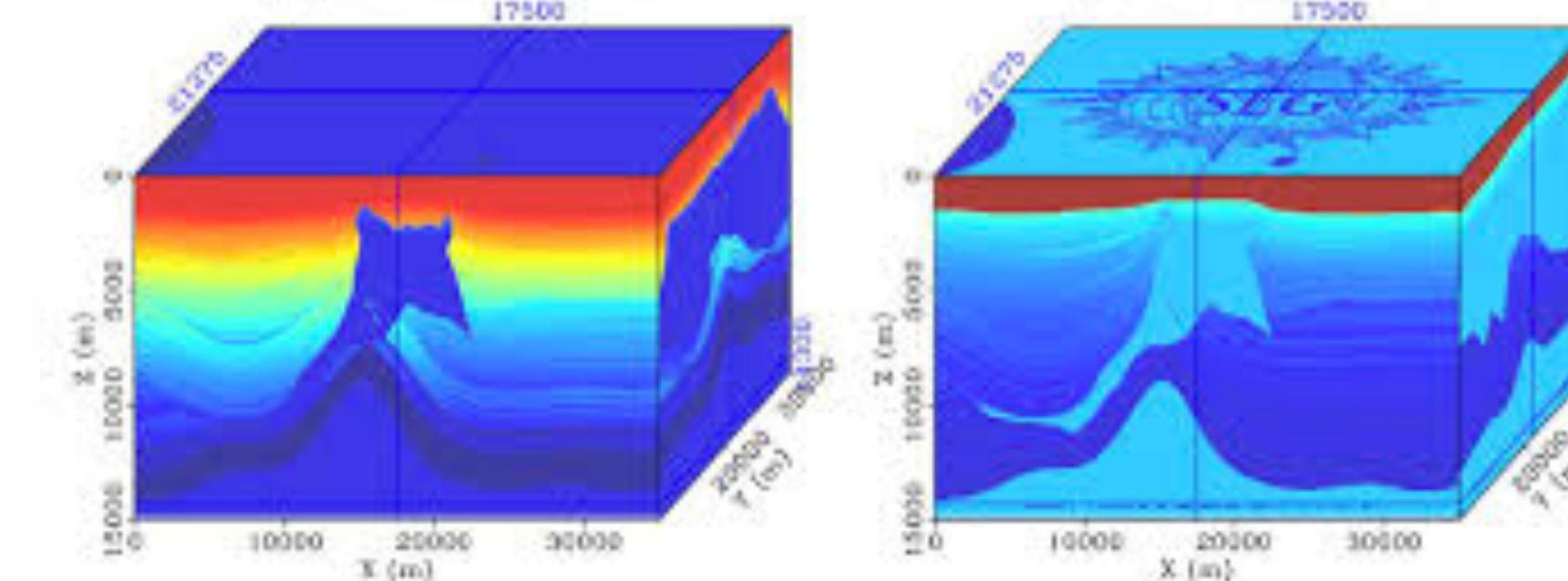
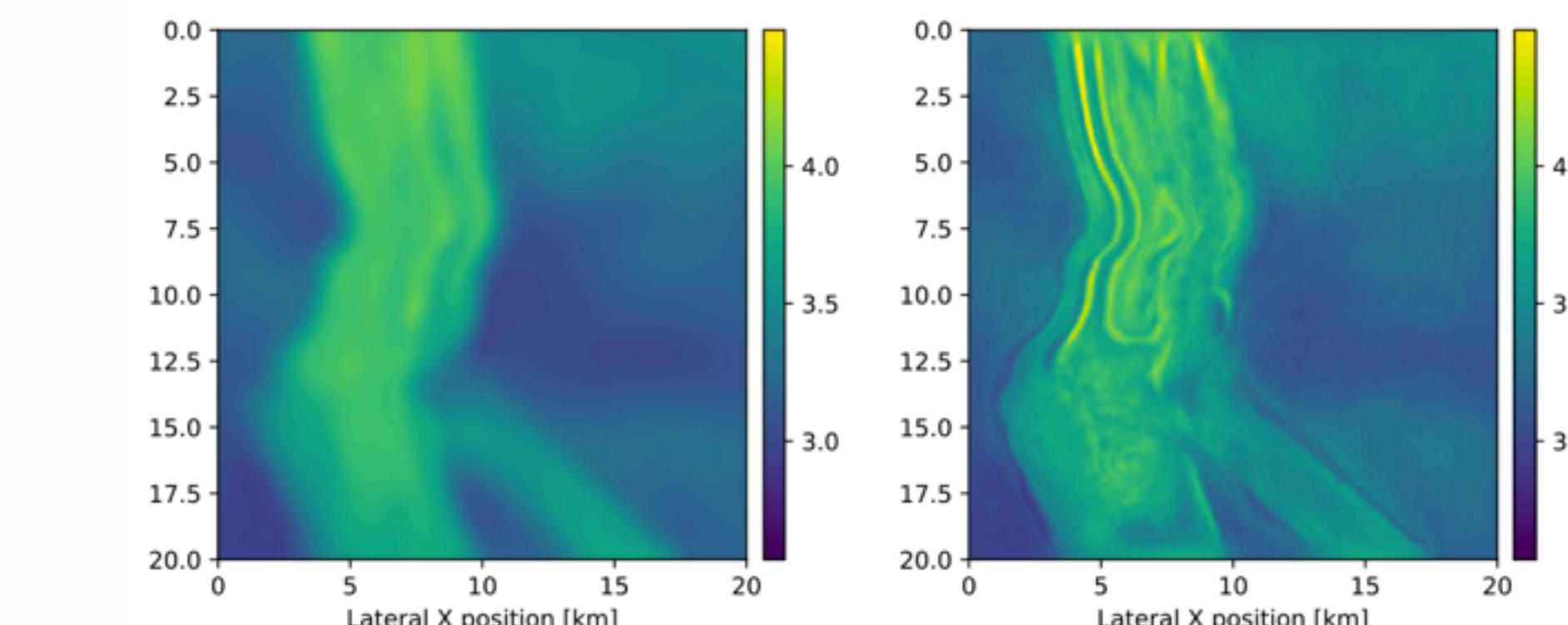
Tiny marmousi  
62k gridpoints  
1.5MFlop/time-step



Full marmousi  
640k gridpoints  
15MFlop/time-step



Sigsbee  
2.2M gridpoints  
56MFlop/time-step



# Wave-equation based inversion & learning

Large-scale learning problem:

$$\underset{\mathbf{m}}{\text{minimize}} \Phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \phi_i(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \|F_i(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{q}_i - \mathbf{d}_i\|^2, \quad F_i(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{q}_i = P_i A^{-1}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{q}_i$$

- ▶ forward model = generative convolutional network
- ▶ adjoint state = back propagation
- ▶ simultaneous sourcing = sketching + stochastic gradients
- ▶ like learning 5k+ video where we care about the parameters

# Research questions

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*“How can we exploit abstractions & connections w/ machine learning?”*

- ▶ manage complexities of often monolithic code bases
- ▶ be more agile, reduce development time & costs
- ▶ avoid interference of meta data w/ linear algebra & optimization
- ▶ use ML to remove growing computational costs

# Proposed solution

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*DEVITO – Domain specific language for stencil-based finite difference code generation for PDEs w/ explicit time stepping in Python using SymPy.*

<https://www.devitoproject.org>

# Design motivation

- ▶ Stencil codes:
  - ▶ Time consuming
  - ▶ Complex
  - ▶ Architecture dependent

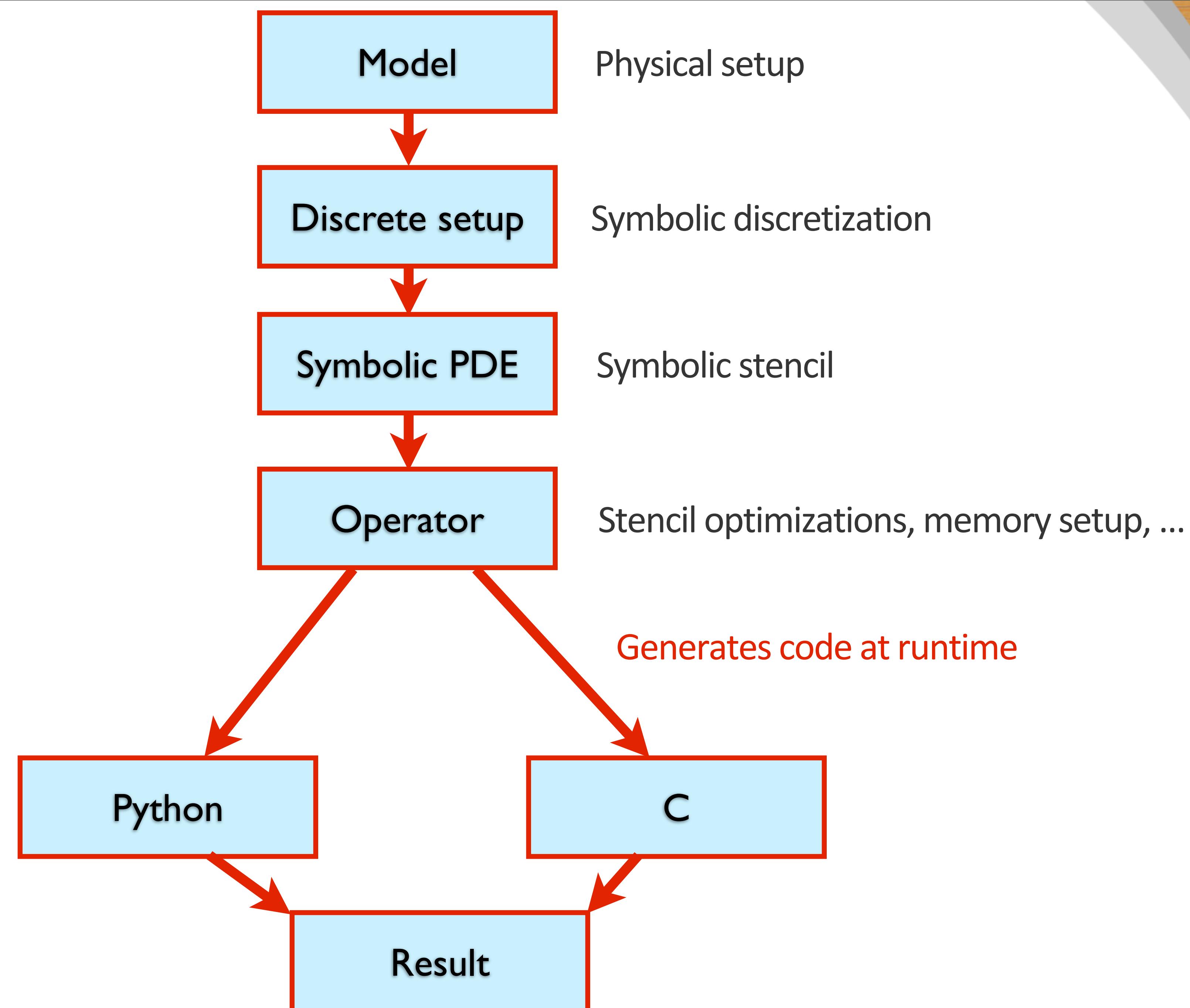
# Finite-difference DSL

- ▶ **Separation of Concerns:**
  - ▶ Geophysicists focus on physics
  - ▶ Computer scientists focus on software
  - ▶ Mathematicians focus on numerical analysis

# Devito

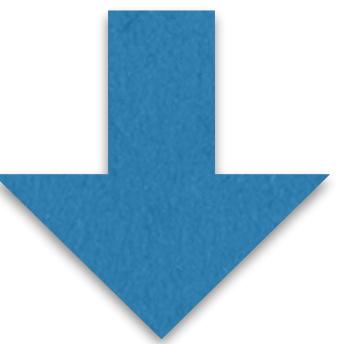
Michael Lange, Navjot Kukreja, Mathias Louboutin, Fabio Luporini, Felipe Vieira Zacarias, Vincenzo Pandolfo, Paulius Velesko, Paulius Kazakas, and Gerard Gorman,

"Devito: Towards a generic finite difference DSL using symbolic python",  
in 6th Workshop on Python for High-Performance and Scientific Computing,  
2016, p. 67-75.



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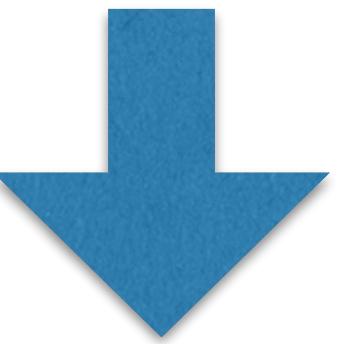
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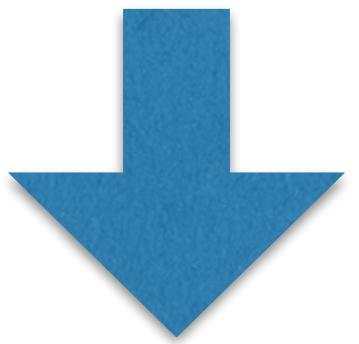
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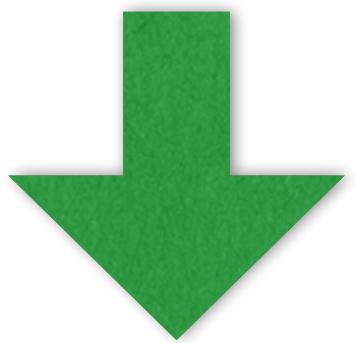
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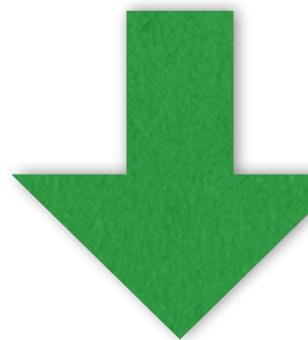
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# Flexibility in space/time discretization

```
u = TimeFunction(..., space_order=so)
eqn = m * u.dt2 + eta * u.dt - u.laplace
solve(eqn, u.forward)
```



**SO=4**

```
for (int time = time_m, t0 = (time)%(3), t1 = (time + 1)%(3), t2 = (time +
2)%(3); time <= time_M; time += 1, t0 = (time)%(3), t1 = (time + 1)%(3), t2 =
(time + 2)%(3)) {
    for (int x = x_m; x <= x_M; x += 1) {
        for (int y = y_m; y <= y_M; y += 1) {
            for (int z = z_m; z <= z_M; z += 1) {
                u[t1][x + 4][y + 4][z + 4] = 2*pow(dt,
3)*(-2.083333333333e-4F*u[t0][x + 2][y + 4][z + 4] +
3.333333333333e-3F*u[t0][x + 3][y + 4][z + 4] - 2.083333333333e-4F*u[t0]
[x + 4][y + 2][z + 4] + 3.333333333333e-3F*u[t0][x + 4][y + 3][z + 4] -
2.083333333333e-4F*u[t0][x + 4][y + 4][z + 2] + 3.333333333333e-3F*u[t0]
[x + 4][y + 4][z + 3] - 1.875e-2F*u[t0][x + 4][y + 4][z + 4] +
3.333333333333e-3F*u[t0][x + 4][y + 5] - 2.083333333333e-4F*u[t0]
[x + 4][y + 4][z + 6] + 3.333333333333e-3F*u[t0][x + 4][y + 5][z + 4] -
2.083333333333e-4F*u[t0][x + 4][y + 6][z + 4] + 3.333333333333e-3F*u[t0]
[x + 5][y + 4][z + 4] - 2.083333333333e-4F*u[t0][x + 6][y + 4][z + 4])/
(pow(dt, 2)*damp[x + 1][y + 1][z + 1] + 2*dt*m[x + 4][y + 4][z + 4]) +
pow(dt, 2)*damp[x + 1][y + 1][z + 1]*u[t2][x + 4][y + 4][z + 4]/(pow(dt,
2)*damp[x + 1][y + 1][z + 1] + 2*dt*m[x + 4][y + 4][z + 4]) + 4*dt*m[x + 4][y
+ 4][z + 4]*u[t0][x + 4][y + 4][z + 4]/(pow(dt, 2)*damp[x + 1][y + 4][z + 4]) -
2*dt*m[x + 4][y + 4][z + 4] - 2*dt*m[x + 4][y + 4][z + 4]*u[t2][x + 4][y +
4][z + 4]/(pow(dt, 2)*damp[x + 1][y + 1][z + 1] + 2*dt*m[x + 4][y + 4][z +
4]);
    }
}
}
```

**SO=12**

```
for (int time = time_m, t0 = (time)%(3), t1 = (time + 1)%(3), t2 = (time +
2)%(3); time <= time_M; time += 1, t0 = (time)%(3), t1 = (time + 1)%(3), t2 =
(time + 2)%(3)) {
    for (int x = x_m; x <= x_M; x += 1) {
        for (int y = y_m; y <= y_M; y += 1) {
            for (int z = z_m; z <= z_M; z += 1) {
                u[t1][x + 12][y + 12][z + 12] = 2*pow(dt,
3)*(-1.5031265031265e-7F*u[t0][x + 6][y + 12][z + 12] +
2.5974025974026e-6F*u[t0][x + 7][y + 12][z + 12] - 2.23214285714286e-5F*u[t0][x
+ 8][y + 12][z + 12] + 1.32275132275132e-4F*u[t0][x + 9][y + 12][z + 12] -
6.69642857142857e-4F*u[t0][x + 10][y + 12][z + 12] + 4.28571428571429e-3F*u[t0]
[x + 11][y + 12][z + 12] - 1.5031265031265e-7F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 6][z + 12] +
2.5974025974026e-6F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 7][z + 12] - 2.23214285714286e-5F*u[t0][x
+ 12][y + 8][z + 12] + 1.32275132275132e-4F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 9][z + 12] -
6.69642857142857e-4F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 10][z + 12] + 4.28571428571429e-3F*u[t0]
[x + 12][y + 11][z + 12] - 1.5031265031265e-7F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 6] +
2.5974025974026e-6F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 7] - 2.23214285714286e-5F*u[t0][x
+ 12][y + 12][z + 8] + 1.32275132275132e-4F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 9] -
6.69642857142857e-4F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 10] + 4.28571428571429e-3F*u[t0]
[x + 12][y + 12][z + 11] - 2.237083333333e-2F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 12] +
4.28571428571429e-3F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 13] - 6.69642857142857e-4F*u[t0]
[x + 12][y + 12][z + 14] + 1.32275132275132e-4F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 15] -
2.23214285714286e-5F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 16] + 2.5974025974026e-6F*u[t0]
[x + 12][y + 12][z + 17] - 1.5031265031265e-7F*u[t0][x + 12][y + 12][z + 18] +
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[x + 14][y + 12][z + 12] + 1.32275132275132e-4F*u[t0][x + 15][y + 12][z + 12] -
2.23214285714286e-5F*u[t0][x + 16][y + 12][z + 12] + 2.5974025974026e-6F*u[t0]
[x + 17][y + 12][z + 12] - 1.5031265031265e-7F*u[t0][x + 18][y + 12][z + 12]) /
(pow(dt, 2)*damp[x + 1][y + 1][z + 1] + 2*dt*m[x + 12][y + 12][z + 12]) +
```

# Devito for inversion

Adjoint PDE

Gradients/Sensitivities

# Adjoint state gradient

FWI objective

$$\Phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{P}_r \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\mathbf{m}) \mathbf{P}_s^T \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{d}\|_2^2$$

with gradient with respect to  $\mathbf{m}$

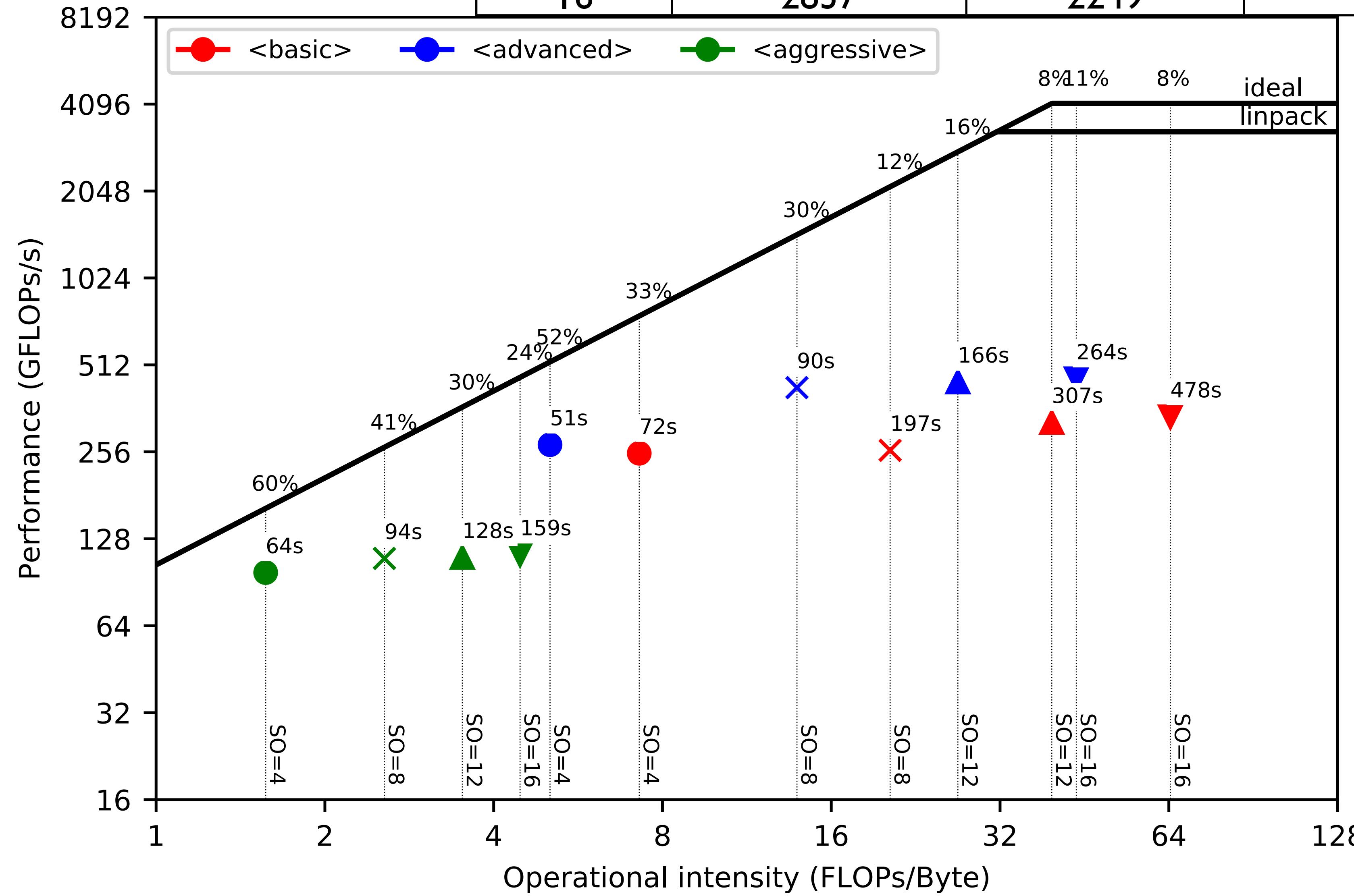
$$\nabla \Phi(\mathbf{m}) = -\left(\frac{d^2 \mathbf{u}}{dt^2}\right)^T \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})^{-T} \mathbf{P}_r^T (\mathbf{P}_r \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{m})^{-1} \mathbf{P}_s \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{d})$$

requires adjoint wave-equation

### 3D TTI performance w/roofline models:

- 512x512x512 grid points
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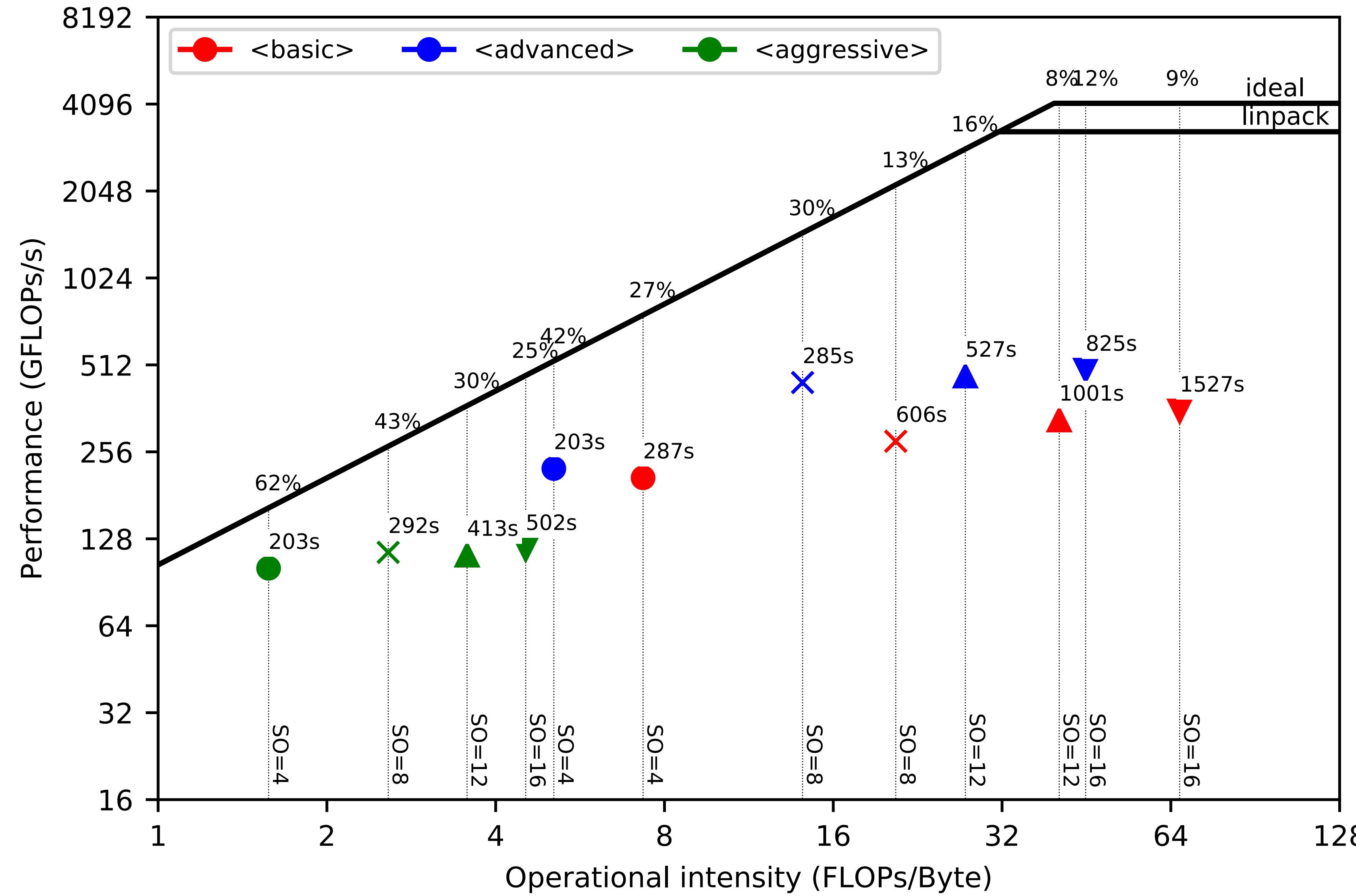
| SO | Flops basic | Flops advanced | Flops aggressive |
|----|-------------|----------------|------------------|
| 2  | 299         | 260            | 102              |
| 4  | 857         | 707            | 168              |
| 8  | 1703        | 1370           | 234              |
| 16 | 2837        | 2249           | 300              |



## 3D TTI performance:

- 768x768x768 grid points
- 1000ms propagation (416 time steps)

We scale linearly!



# Observations

## Highly abstracted JIT compiler w/ pathways to

- ▶ C, MPI+OpenMP+C, CUDA, MPI+CUDA...
- ▶ backend w/ YASK implemented (3 X speed up on Xeon Phi )
- ▶ backend w/ OPS library for CPU-GPU(+MPI)

## Take home message: getting the abstraction right is key!

- ▶ highly productive environment w/ flexibility w.r.t. discretization (stencil)
- ▶ connection w/ linear algebra
- ▶ parallel IO & access to meta data
- ▶ intuitive data parallelism to work w/ multiple instances

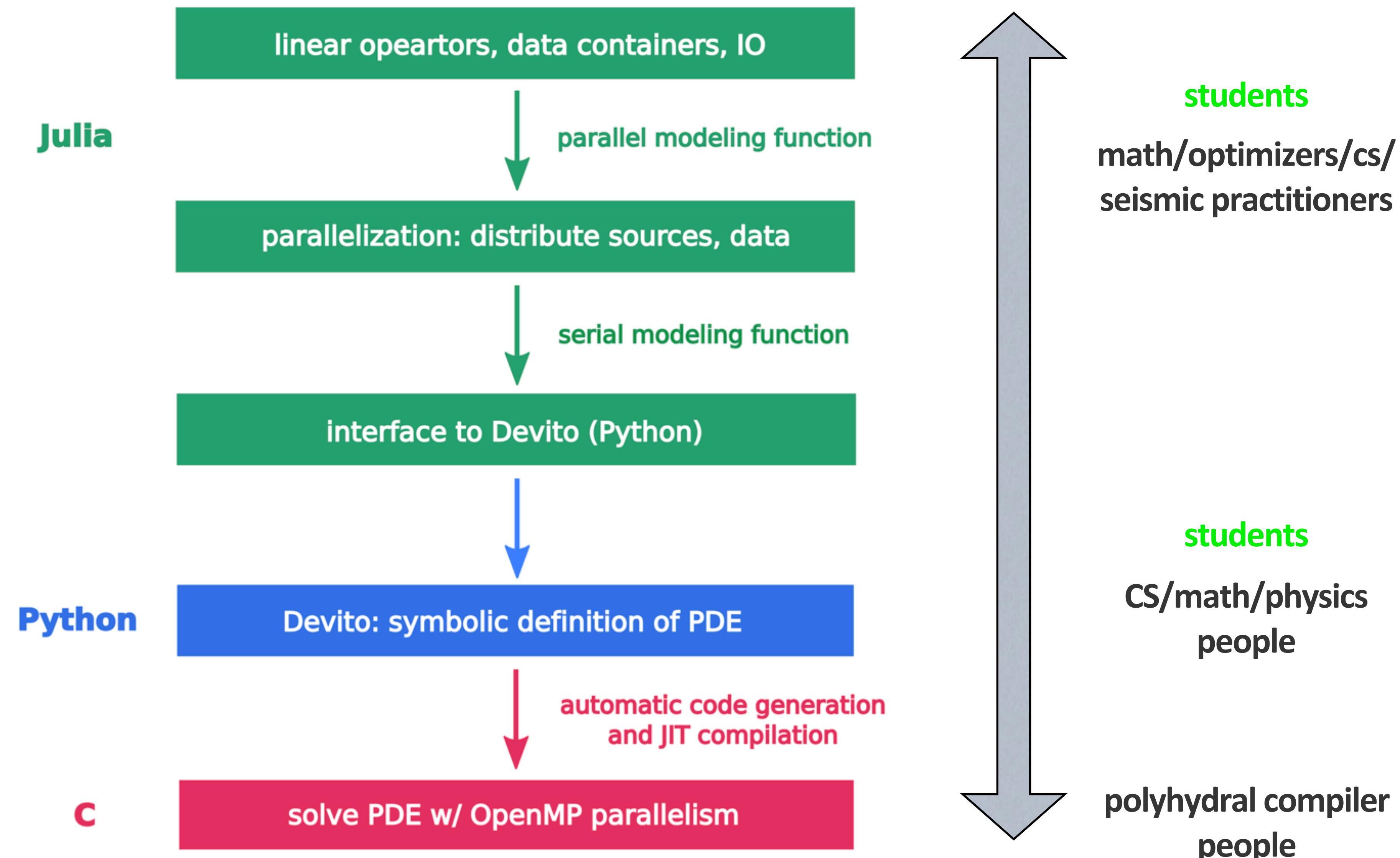
# Proposed solution

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*JUDI – Domain specific language for linear algebra abstractions, data parallelism & meta data in Julia*

<https://github.com/slimgroup/JUDI.jl>

# JUDI – true vertical integration



# Linear operators & data containers

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- ▶ seismic data are multidimensional with lots of meta data
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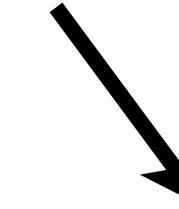
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Abstract in-core & out-of-core data vectors:

- inspired by iWave, RVL and others ([Symes, Padula, Trilinos](#))
- can be formed directly from single/multiple SEG-Y files
- parallel read/write chunks of data via compressed lookup table

```
julia> container = segy_scan(pwd(), "overthrust_shots", ["GroupX", "GroupY"]);  
Scanning ... /home/slim/pwitte/overthrust_shots_41_60.segy  
Scanning ... /home/slim/pwitte/overthrust_shots_21_40.segy  
Scanning ... /home/slim/pwitte/overthrust_shots_61_80.segy  
Scanning ... /home/slim/pwitte/overthrust_shots_1_20.segy  
Scanning ... /home/slim/pwitte/overthrust_shots_81_97.segy  
  
julia> d = joData(container)  
(OpesciSLIM.TimeModeling.joData{Float32}, "Julia seismic data container", 15029763, 1)  
  
julia> size(d)  
(15029763, 1)  
  
julia> norm(d)  
7371.35f0  
  
julia> dot(d,d)  
5.432854f7  
  
julia> typeof(d.data[1])  
SeisIO.SeisCon
```

(Instructional video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tx530QOPeZo>)

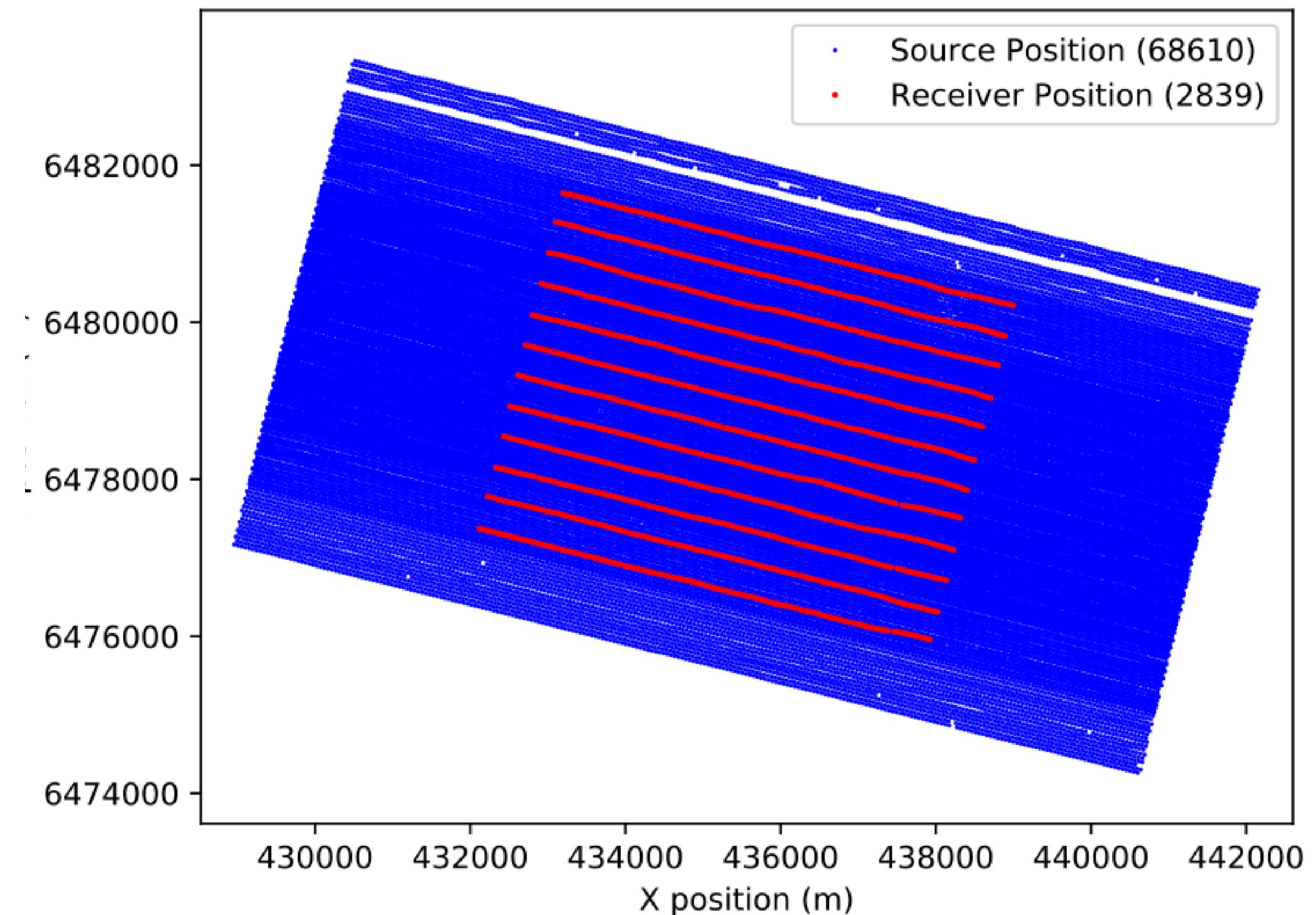
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## Massive metadata

Total data size : 110Gb

Metadata: 1Gb

Small field data geometry



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## Matrix-free linear operators

- ▶ read necessary meta information from data objects
- ▶ use like explicit matrices

```
julia> F = joModeling(info,model0)
(OpesciSLIM.TimeModeling.joModeling{Float32,Float32}, "forward wave equation", 27566740206, 27566740206)

julia> Pr = joProjection(info,d.geometry)
(OpesciSLIM.TimeModeling.joProjection{Float32,Float32}, "restriction operator", 15029763, 27566740206)

julia> Ps = joProjection(info,q.geometry)
(OpesciSLIM.TimeModeling.joProjection{Float32,Float32}, "restriction operator", 72847, 27566740206)

julia> d_pred = Pr*F*Ps'*q
```

# Example: LS-RTM w/ serial & parallel SGD

**Algorithm 1** Preconditioned LS-RTM with SGD

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```

for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
     $\mathbf{r}_j = \mathbf{M}_l^{-1} \mathbf{J}_{r(j)} \mathbf{M}_r^{-1} \mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{M}_l^{-1} \delta \mathbf{d}_{r(j)}$ 
     $\mathbf{g}_j = \mathbf{M}_r^{-\top} \mathbf{J}_{r(j)}^\top \mathbf{M}_l^{-\top} \mathbf{r}_j$ 
     $t_j = \frac{\|\mathbf{r}_j\|^2}{\|\mathbf{g}_j\|^2}$ 
     $\mathbf{x}_{j+1} = \mathbf{x}_j - t_j \mathbf{g}_j$ 
end for
```

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```

1 # Stochastic gradient descent
2 batchsize = 10
3 niter = 32
4
5 for  $j=1:niter$ 
6     # Select batch
7     idx = randperm(dD.nsrc)[1:batchsize]
8     Jsub = subsample(J, idx)
9     dsub = subsample(dD, idx)
10
11    # Compute residual and gradient
12    r = Ml * Jsub * Mr * x - Ml * dsub
13    g = Mr' * Jsub' * Ml' * r
14
15    # Step size and update variable
16    t = norm(r)^2 / norm(g)^2
17    x -= t * g
18 end
```

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# Example: LS-RTM w/ serial & parallel SGD

**Algorithm 2** Preconditioned LS-RTM with elastic average SGD

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```

for j = 1 to n do
    for k = 1 to p do
        rj = Ml-1JjkMr-1xjk - Ml-1δdjk
        gj = Mr-TJjkTMl-Trj and
        xj+1k = xjk - ηgjk(xjk) - α(xjk - x̂j)
    end for
    x̂j+1 = (1 - β)x̂j + β(1/p ∑i=1p xji)
end for

```

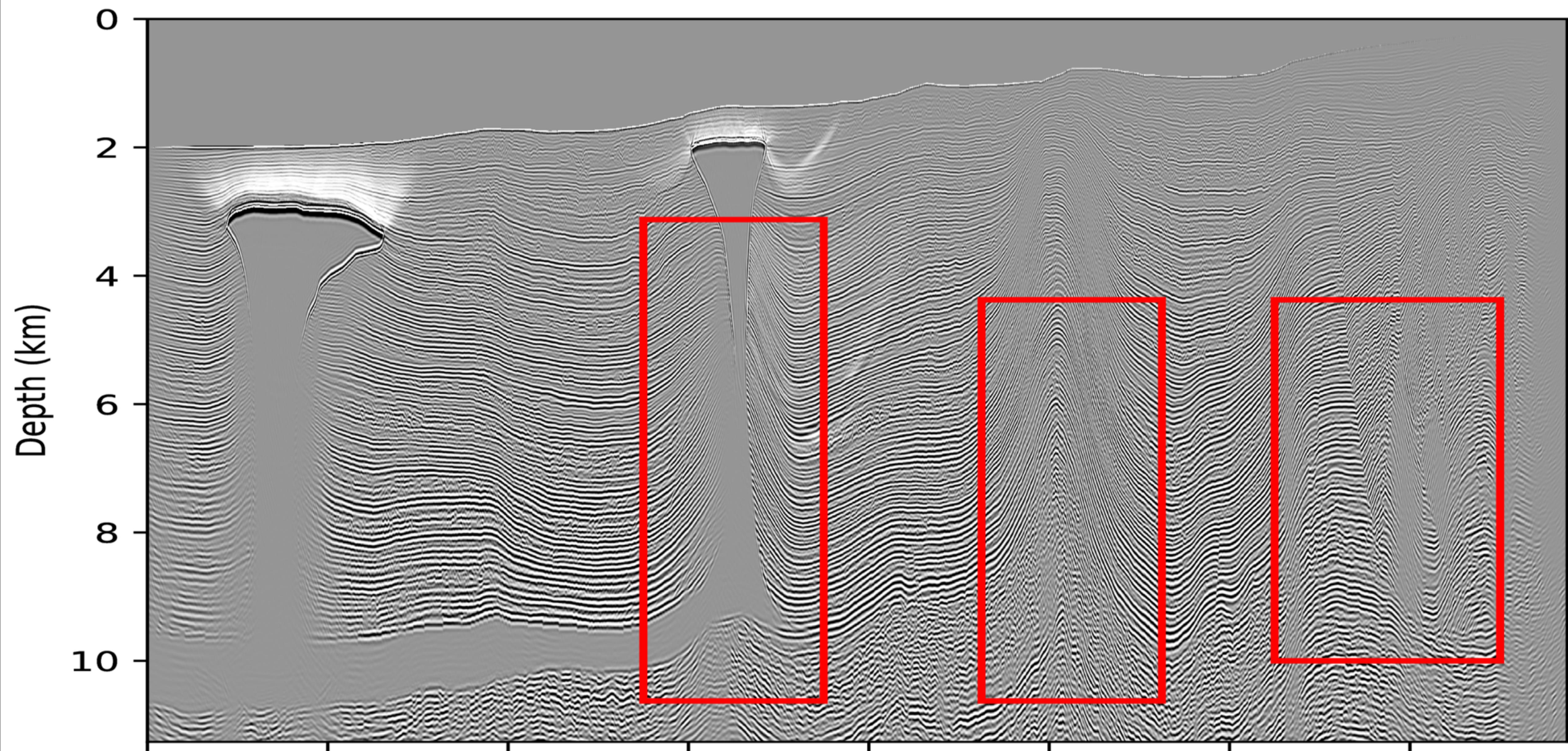
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```

1 # Gradient function
2 @everywhere function update_x(Ml,J,Mr,x,d,eta,alpha,xav)
3     r = Ml*J*Mr*x - Ml*d
4     g = Mr'*J'*Ml'*r
5     return x - eta*g - alpha*(x - xav)
6 end
7 update_x_par = remote(update_x) # Parallel function wrapper
8
9 for j=1:niter
10    @sync begin
11        for k=1:p
12
13            # Select batch
14            idx = randperm(dD.nsrc)[1:batchsize]
15            Jsub = subsample(J,idx)
16            dsub = subsample(dD,idx)
17
18            # Calculate x update in parallel
19            xnew[:,k] = update_x_par(Ml,Jsub,Mr,x[:,k],
20                                      dsub,eta,alpha,xav)
21        end
22    end
23
24    # Update average variable
25    xav = (1 - beta)*xav + beta*(1/p *sum(x,2))
26    x = copy(xnew)
27 end

```

# TTI RTM: BP 2007 dataset

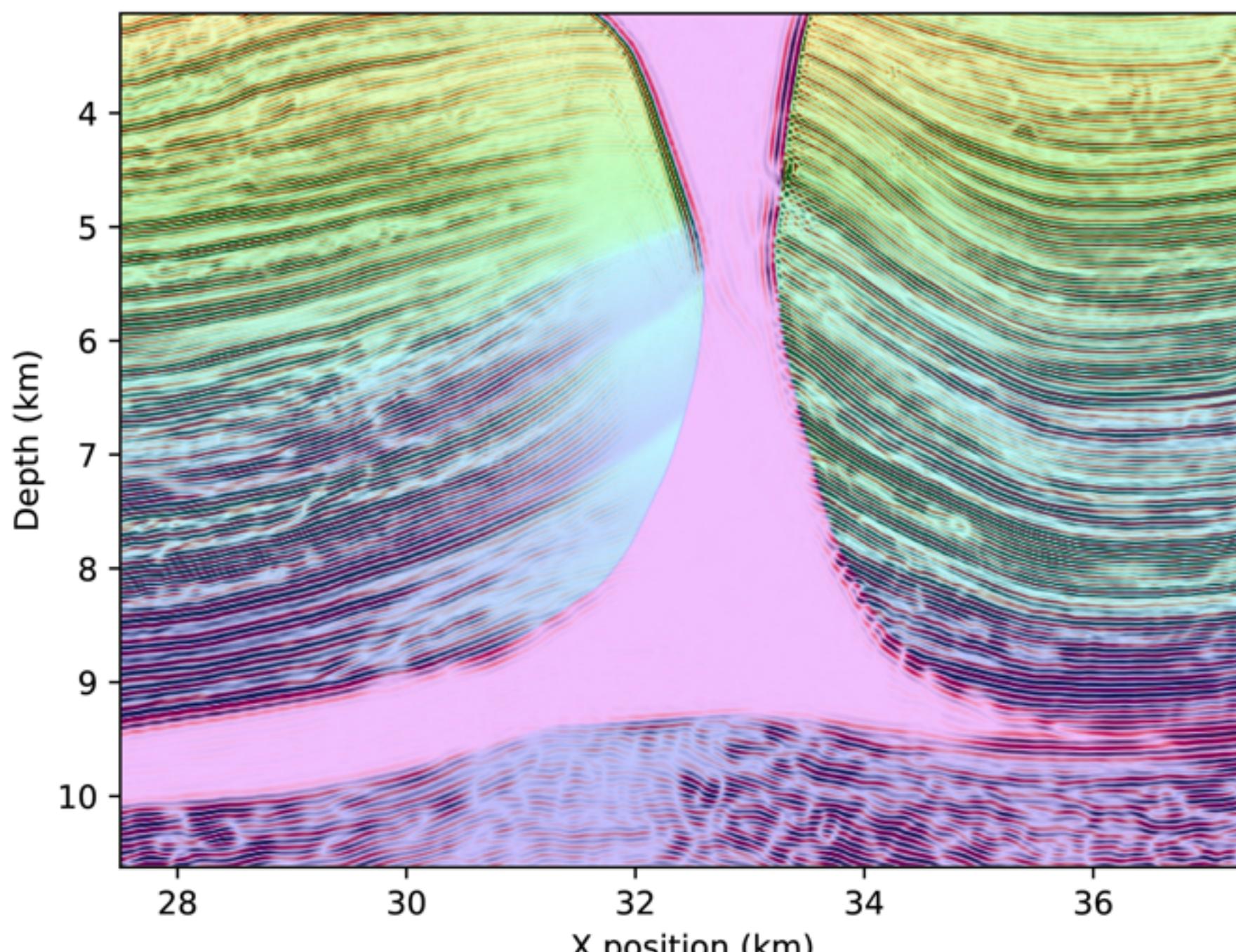
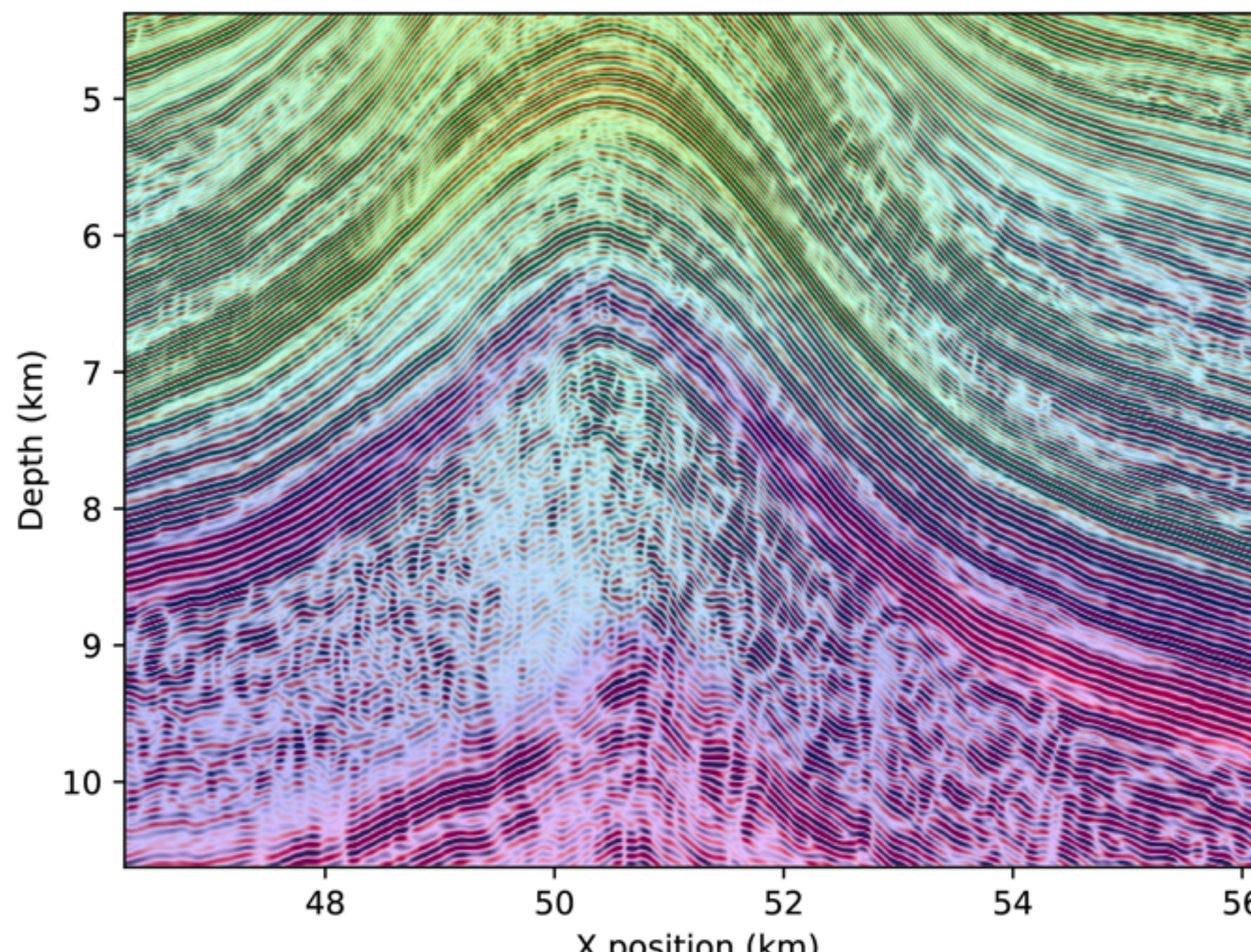
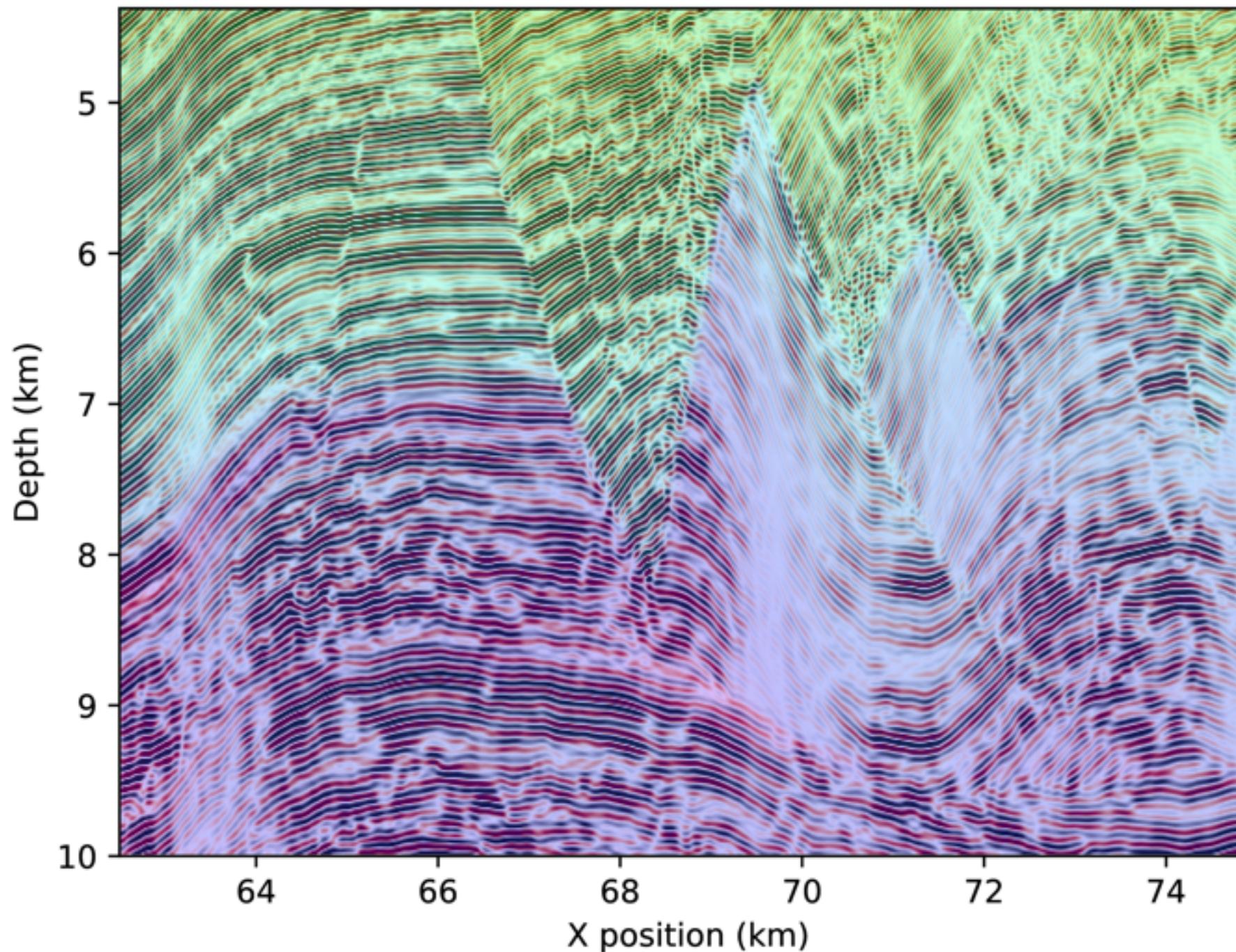


## 16th order TTI:

- 336 Flops/gridpoint
  - 1200 x 4500 grid points
  - 12k time steps
- = **22 TFlops**
- 1600 Source
- = **36 PFlops total**

Summit LINPACK benchmark at 122 PFlop/s

**This is only acoustic & 2D!!!**



# Observations

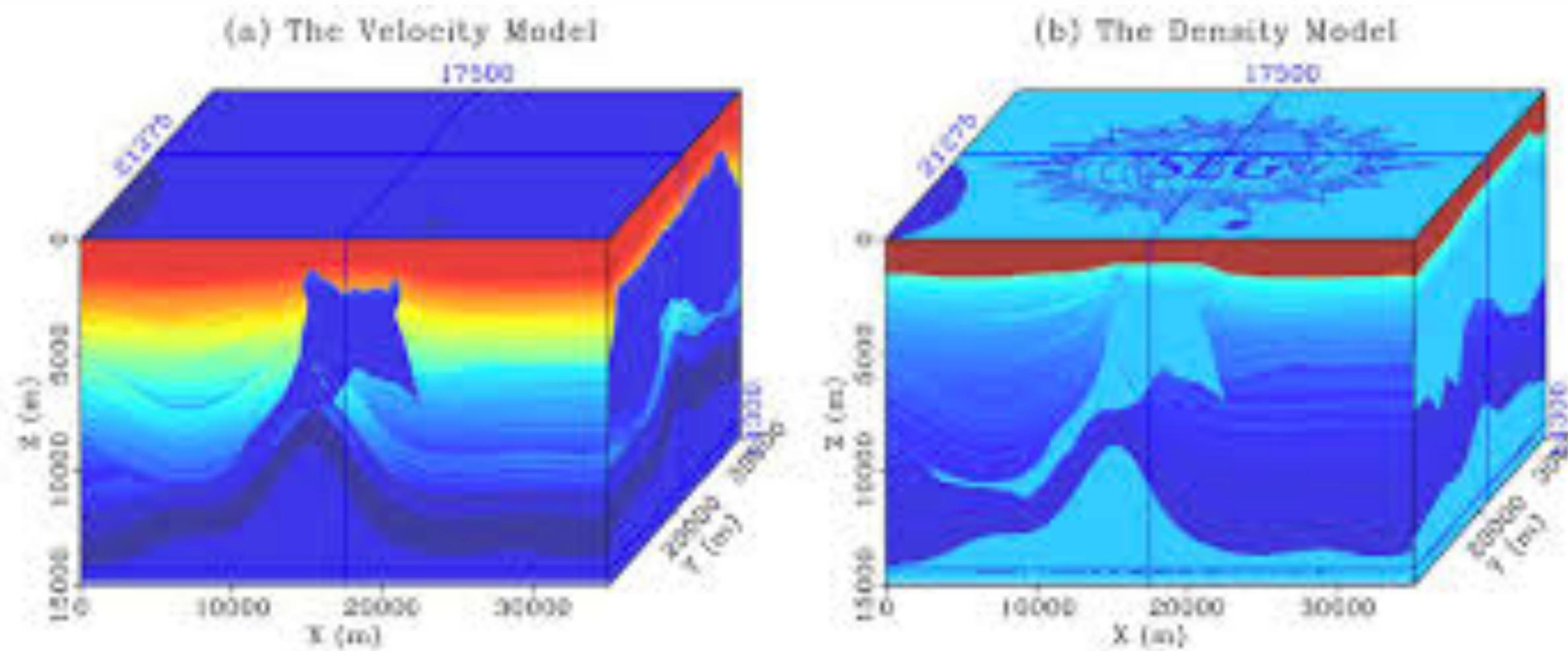
## Demonstrated power of abstractions towards data & compute intensive tasks

- ▶ flexibility w.r.t hardware (GPU, different CPUs etc.)
- ▶ exploits data-space parallelism
- ▶ exploits model space w/ multithreading & domain decompositions
- ▶ ready to scale technology in Cloud & dedicated HPC solutions (Summit?)

## Not ready for

- ▶ elastic
- ▶ UQ

# RTM on SEAM – naive calculation



35km x 45km x 15km

5m grid at 60Hz (156 G points)

2.5m grid at 120Hz (1251 G points)

Single RTM for SEAM feasible @60 Hz requires 8100TB memory per source & 3000 Pflops (32k time steps for 8sec recording) @34h runtime on 6230 nodes

RTM @120 Hz requires 130PB memory per source and 48000 PFlops (64k time steps for 8 sec recording) @21 days but does not fit

# Challenges

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How to overcome

- ▶ stringent discretization required for high-fidelity numerics
- ▶ reliance on accurate physics of inverse problems

by merging ideas from ML where deep convolutional neural nets

- ▶ allow us to map low- to high-fidelity solutions
- ▶ act as proxies for complex impossible to model physics

Will require abstractions synergizing ML & CSE...

# Similarities ML & FWI

## They both are

- ▶ highly non-convex & solutions depend on heuristics
- ▶ reliant on back propagation & amenable to stochastic optimization
- ▶ in need of prior information (constraints), different objectives, & fast codes
- ▶ atomic runtimes too long when operating @scale

## ML will benefit from:

- ▶ Devito like abstractions for fast & scalable computations
- ▶ interpretability of hidden variables

# Numerical dispersion removal w/ transfer learning

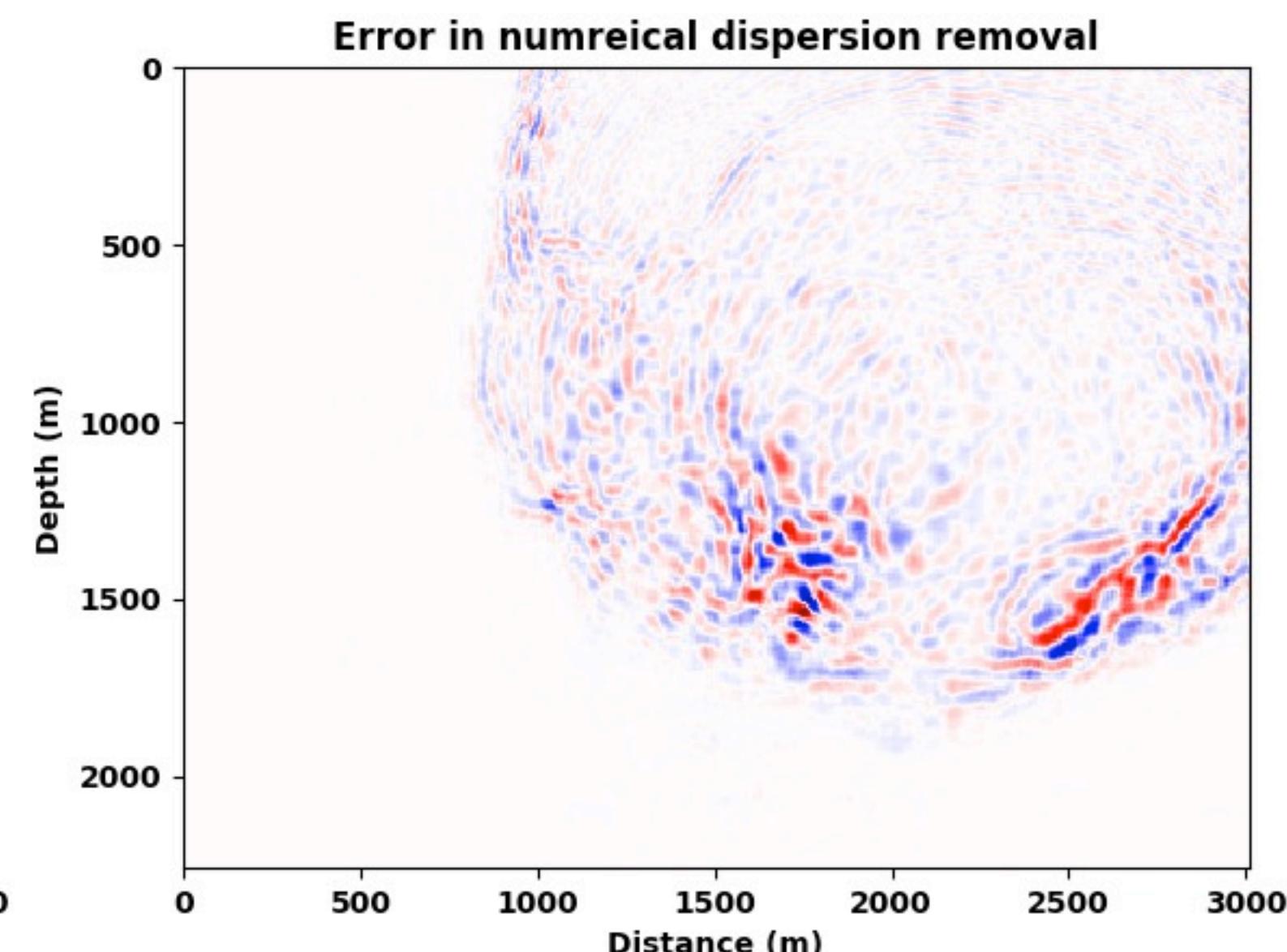
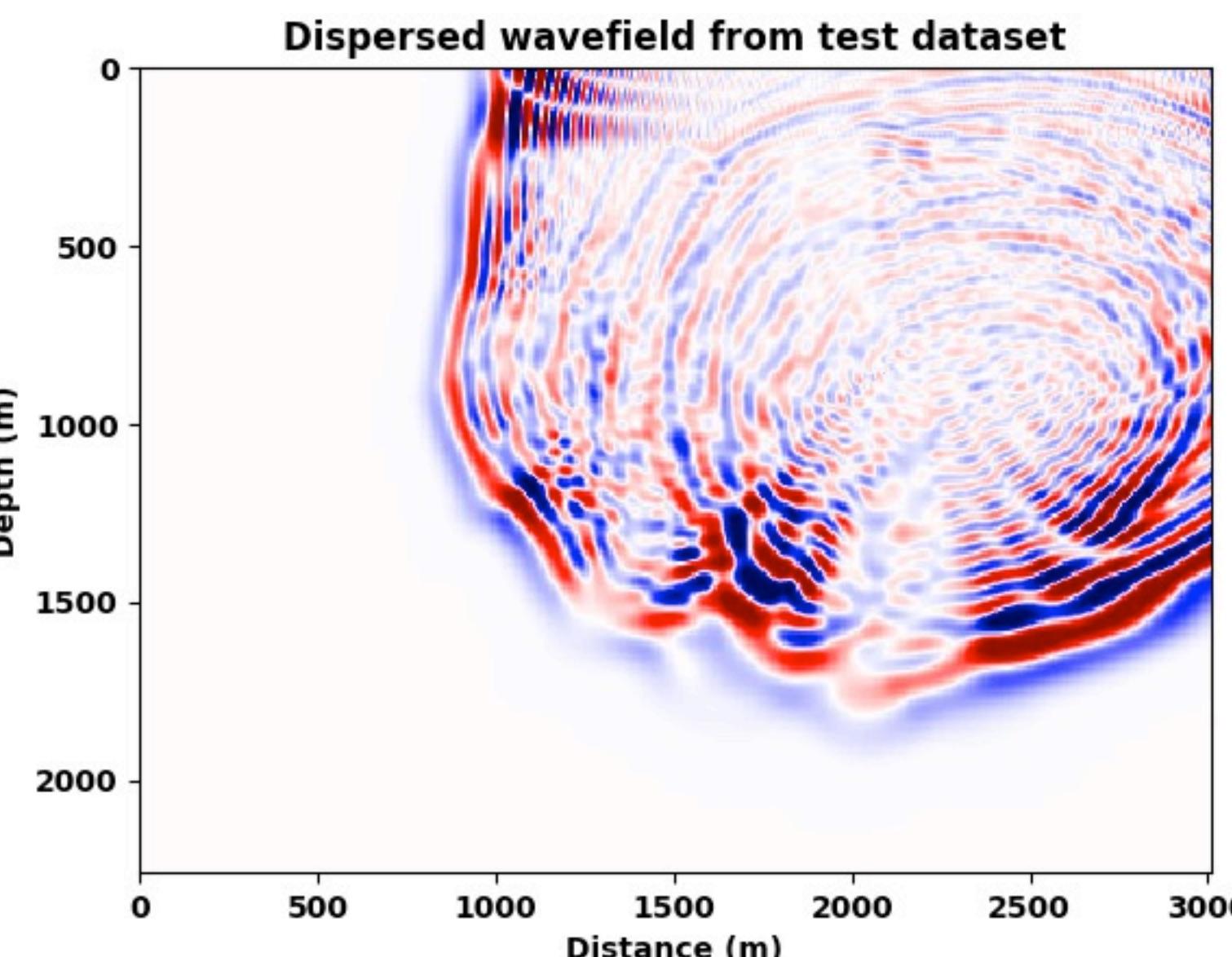
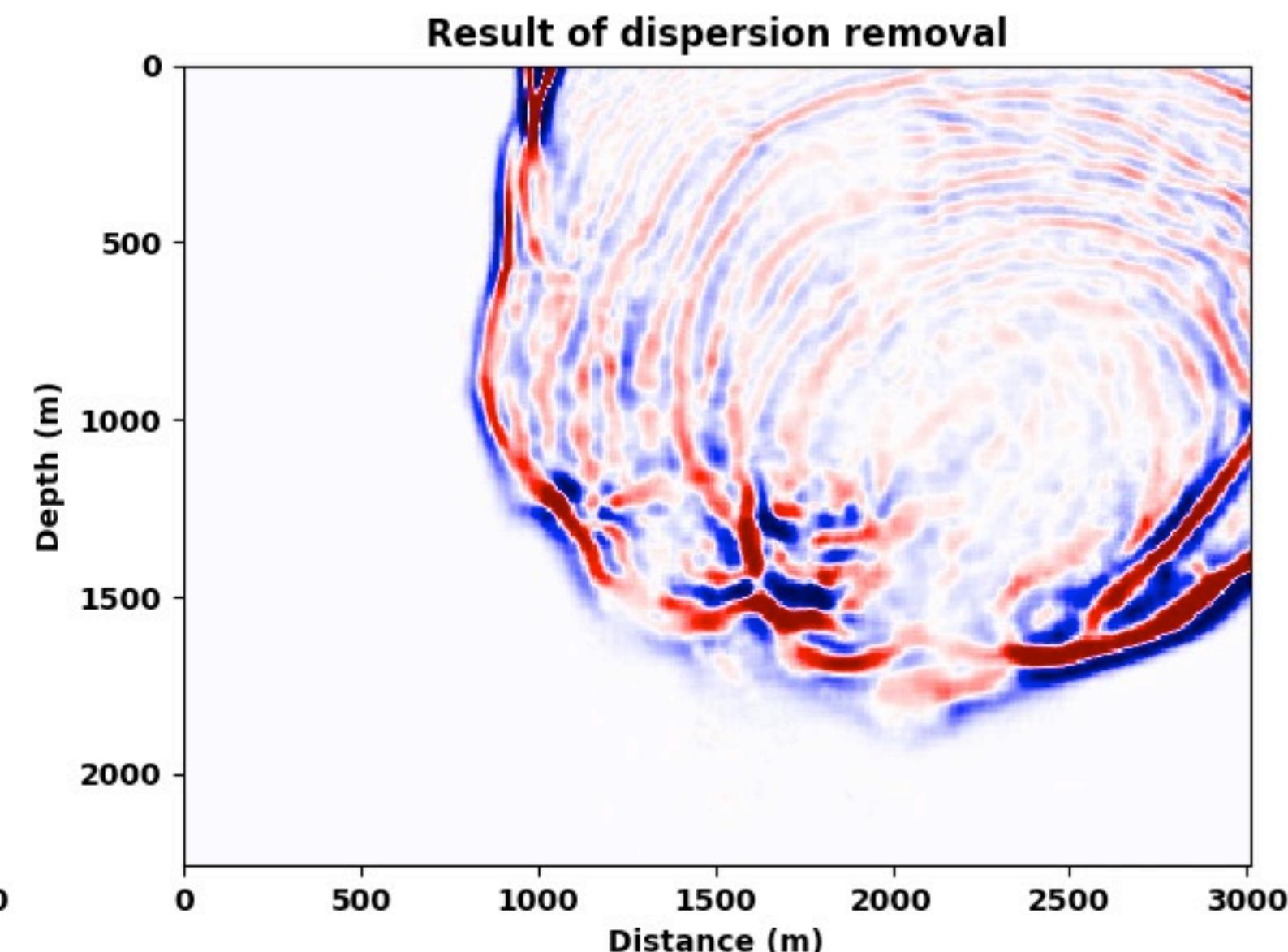
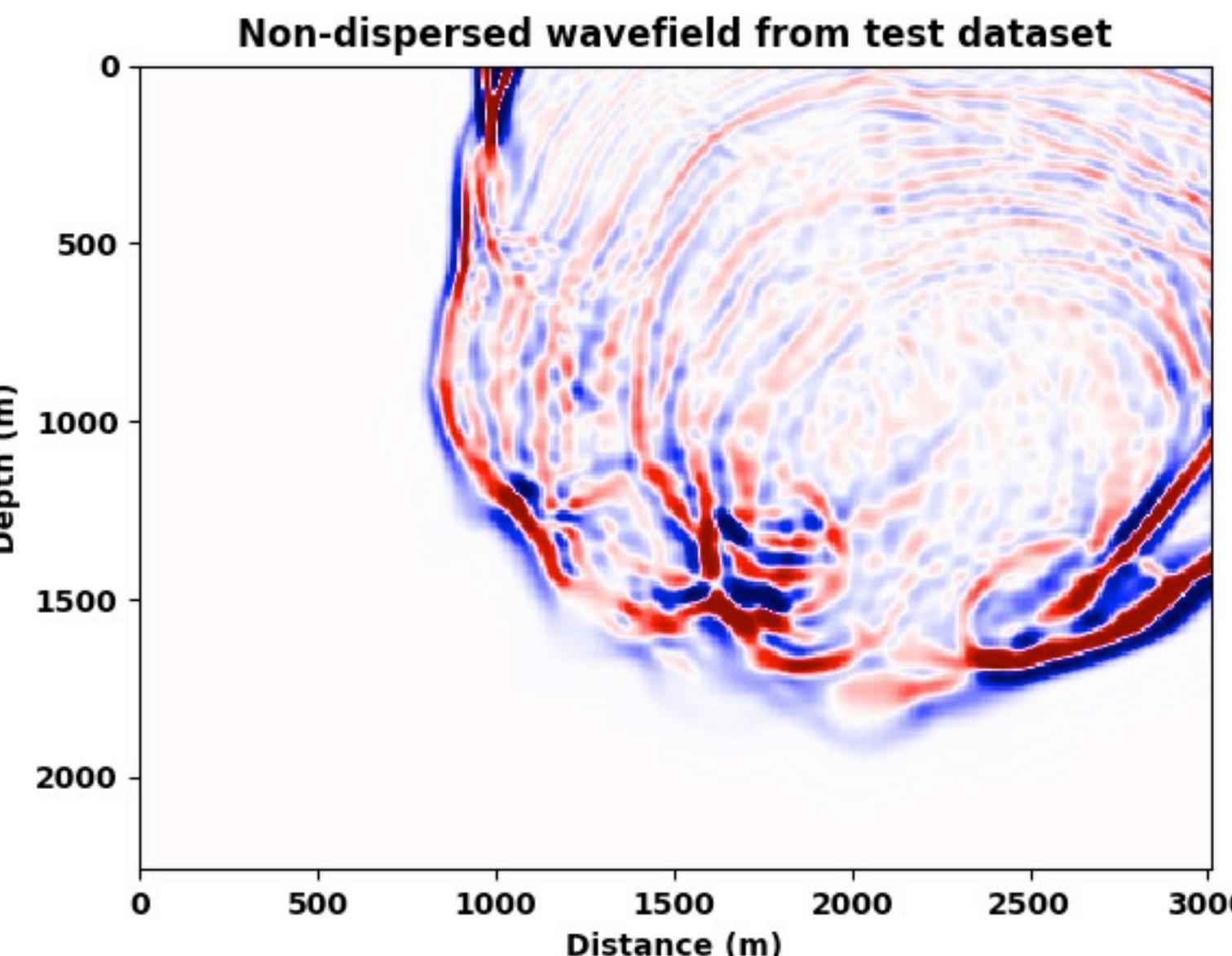
Ali Siahkoohi, Mathias Louboutin, Rajiv Kumar, and Felix J. Herrmann, “[Deep Convolutional Neural Networks in prestack seismic--two exploratory examples](#)”, 2018.

**Top-left:** w/ 20-point stencil - testing velocity

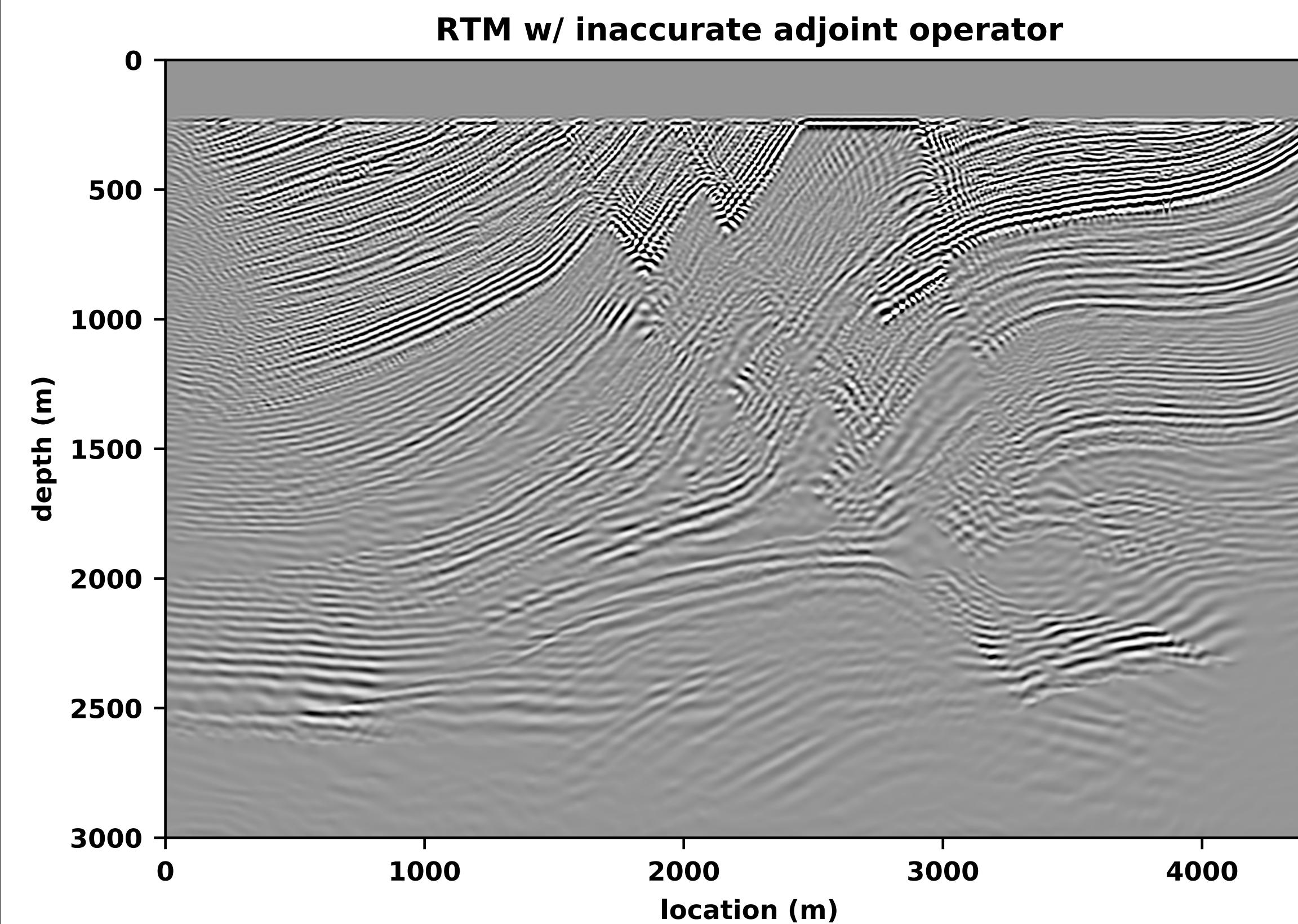
**Bottom-left:** w/ 2-point stencil - testing velocity

**Top-right:** Removing numerical dispersion in w/ transfer learning

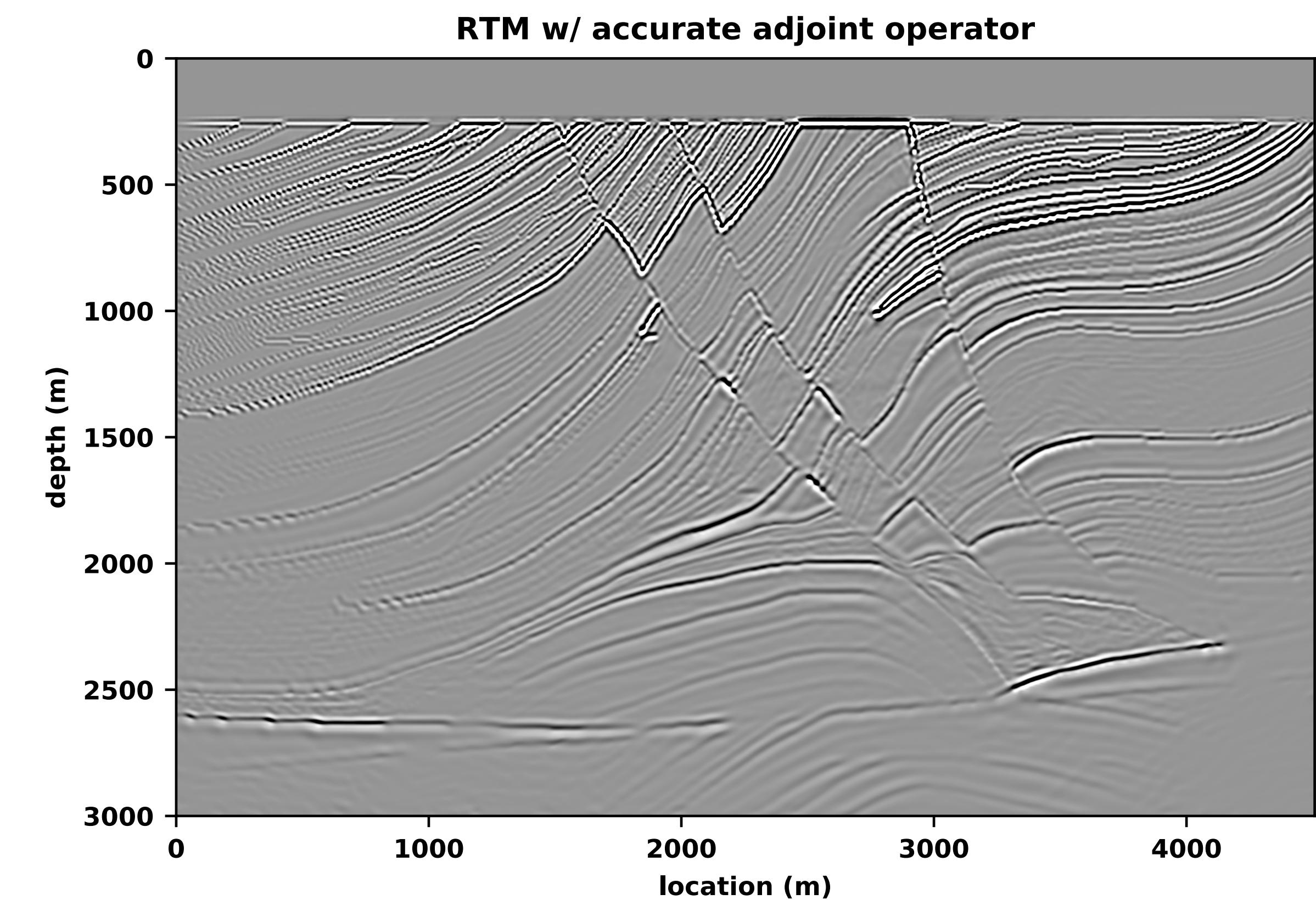
**Bottom-right:** Difference between result and non-dispersed wavefield



# RTM image w/ numerical dispersion artifacts



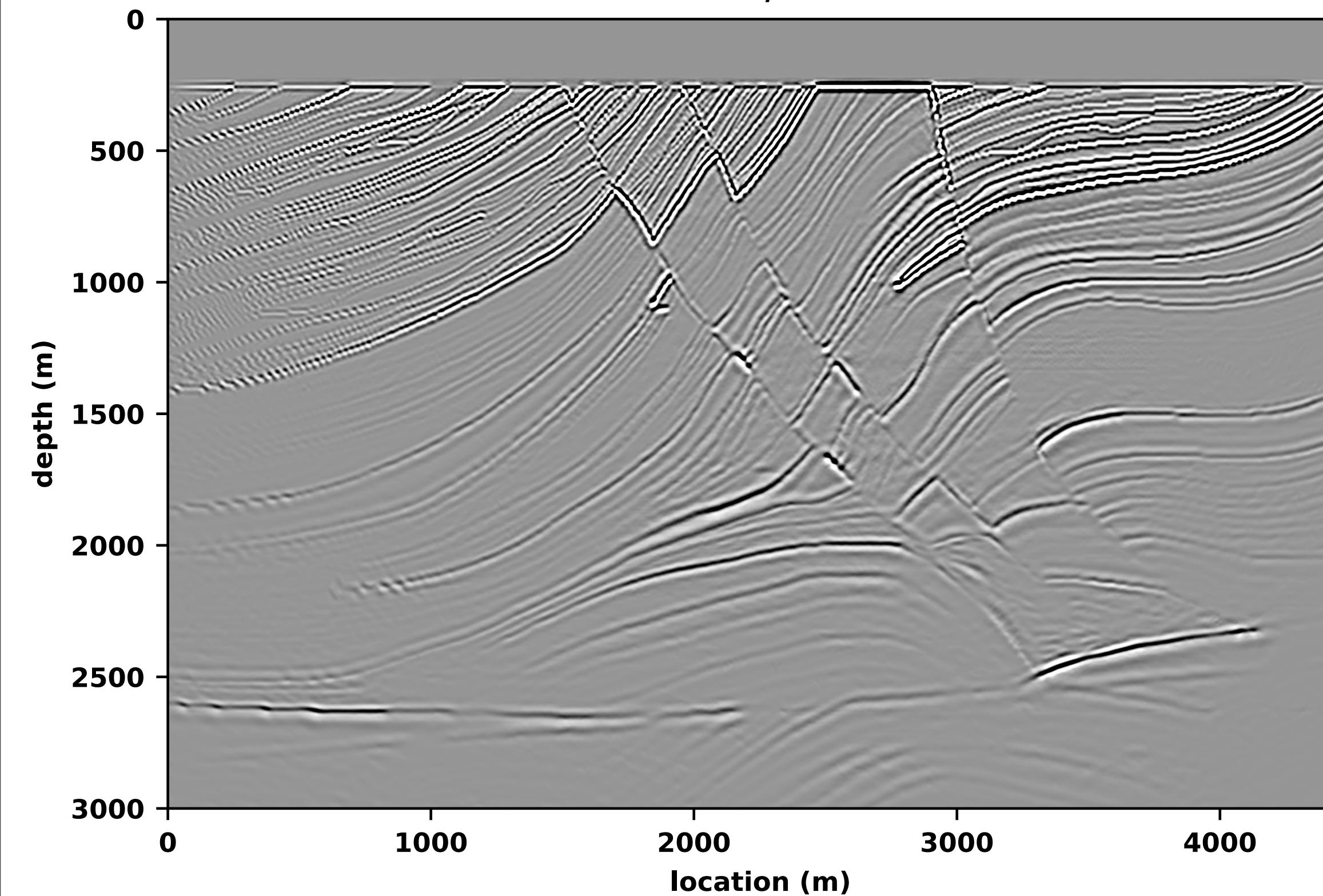
RTM image obtained from inaccurate  
FD simulations (2-point stencil)



RTM image obtained from accurate FD  
simulations (20-point stencil)

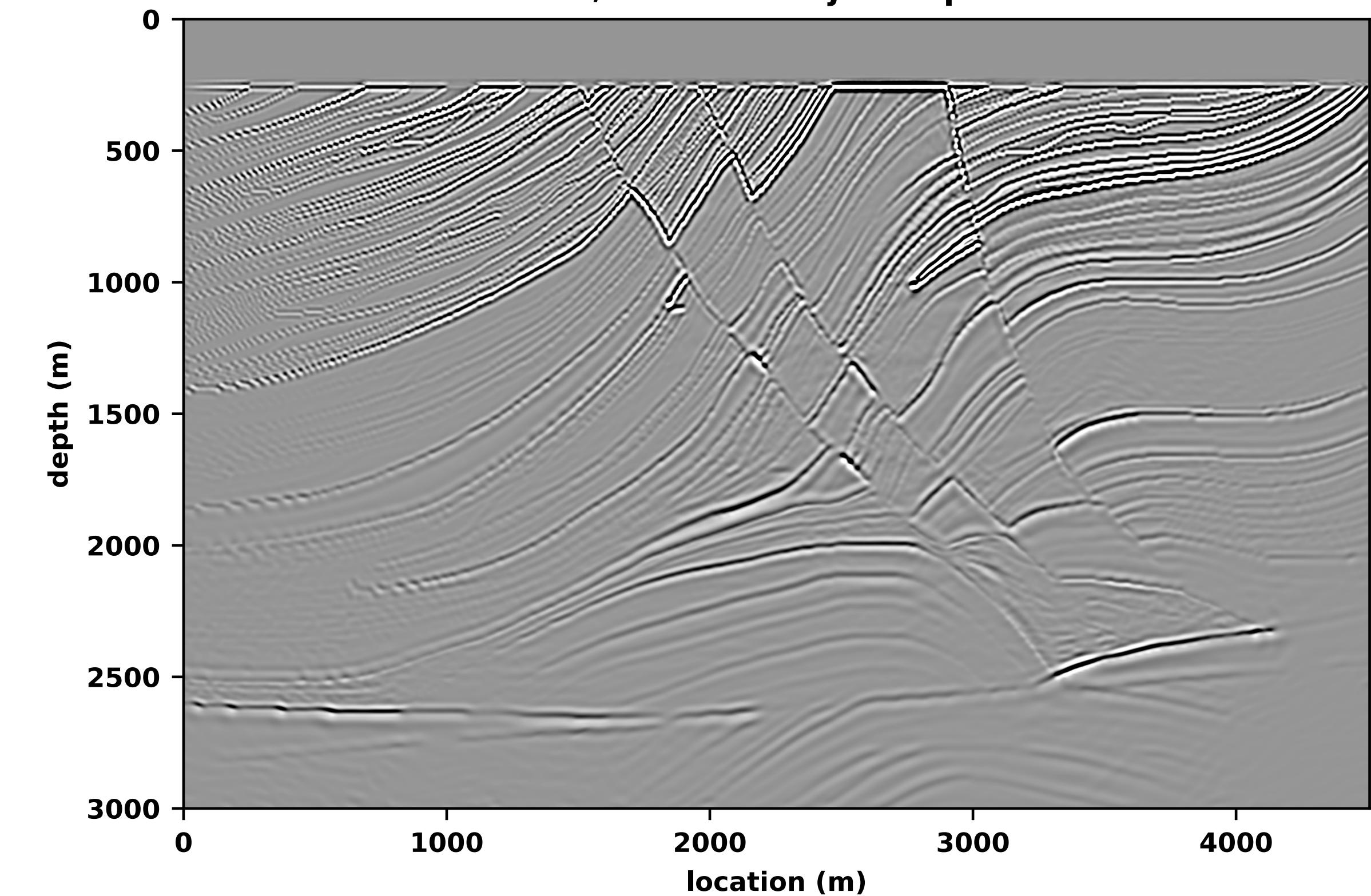
# Removing artifacts w/ CNN

Corrected RTM w/ neural network



RTM image obtained from correcting  
the inaccurate RTM image w/ CNN

RTM w/ accurate adjoint operator



RTM image obtained from accurate FD  
simulations (20-point stencil)

# Conclusions

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The right abstractions hold key to

- ▶ manage complexity of data & compute intensive imaging problems
- ▶ merging ideas from CSE & ML

Example: Low-fidelity numerics corrected w/ CNNs

To be successful we will need

- ▶ access to major machines such as Summit to do high-fidelity simulations
- ▶ scale up CNNs to carry out low-to-high fidelity maps...