

Redshift of Earthquakes via Focused Blind Deconvolution of Teleseisms

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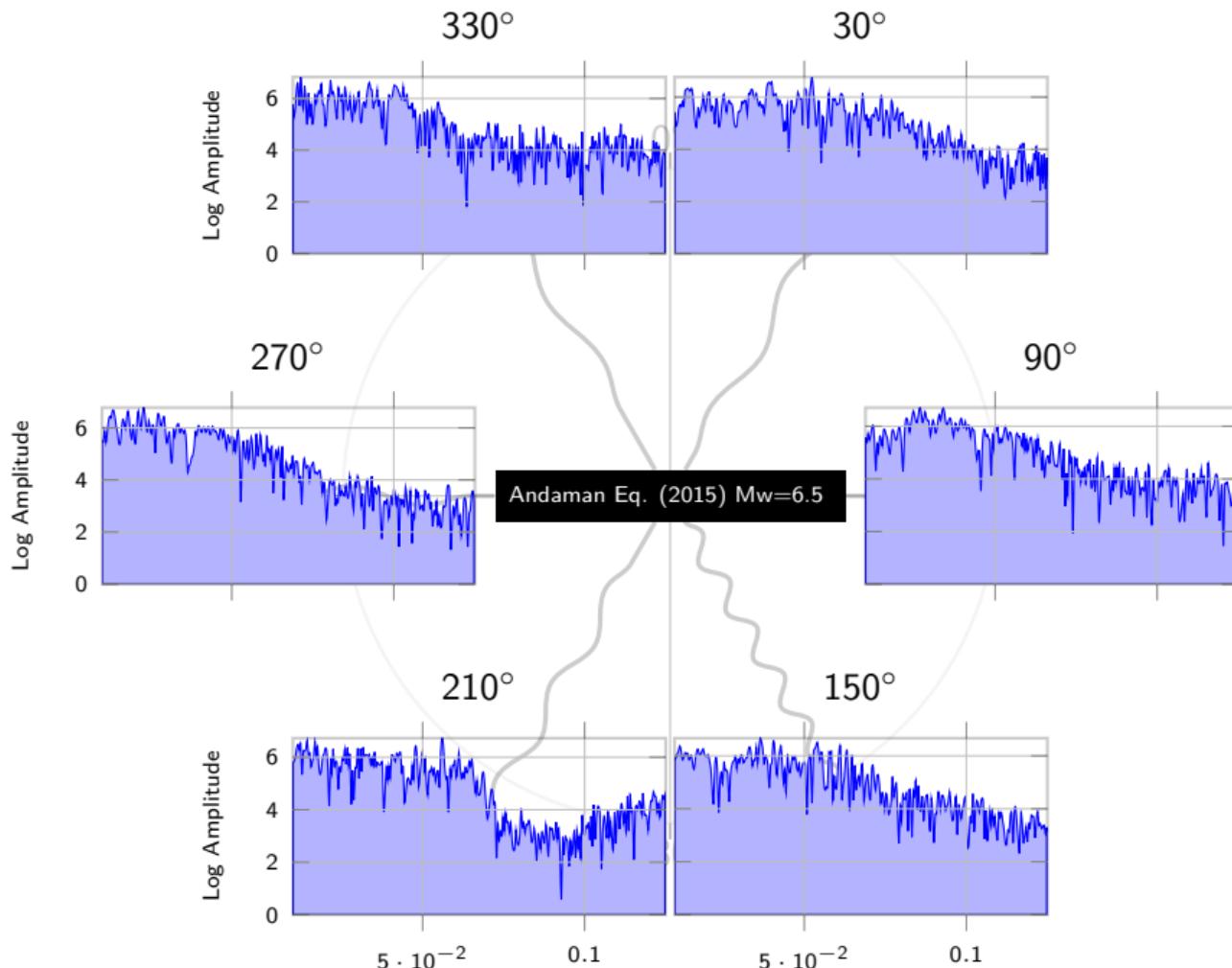


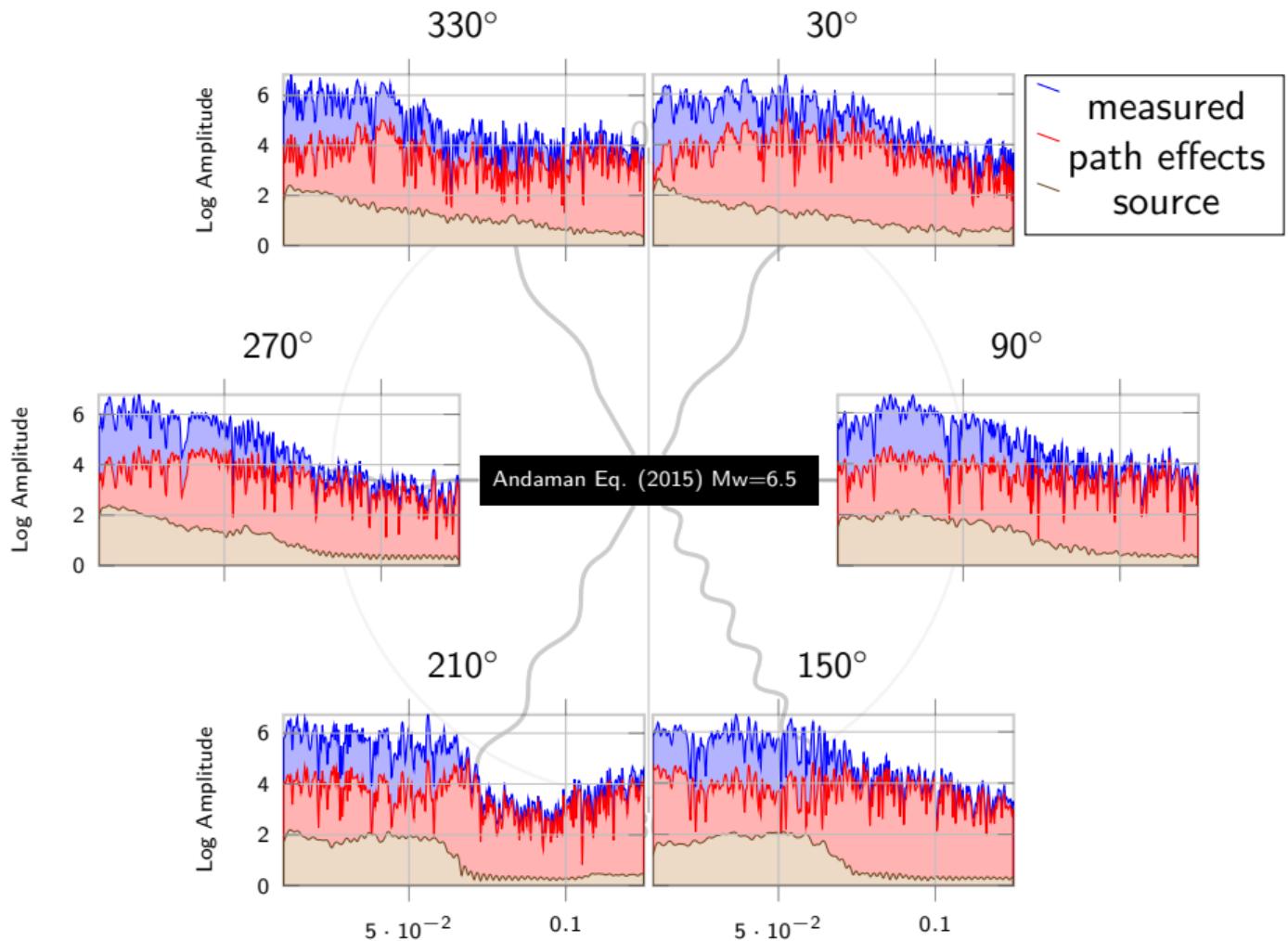
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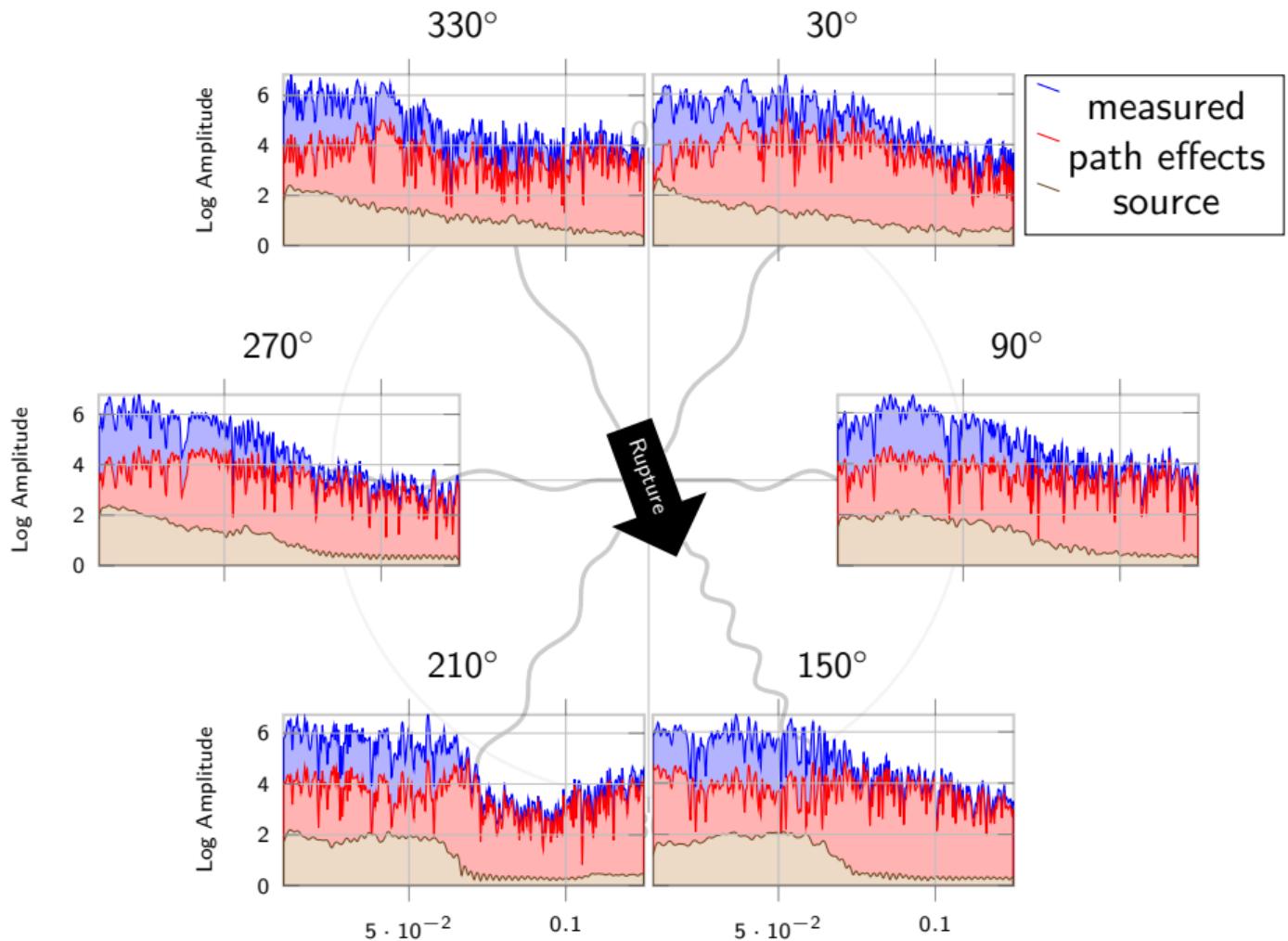


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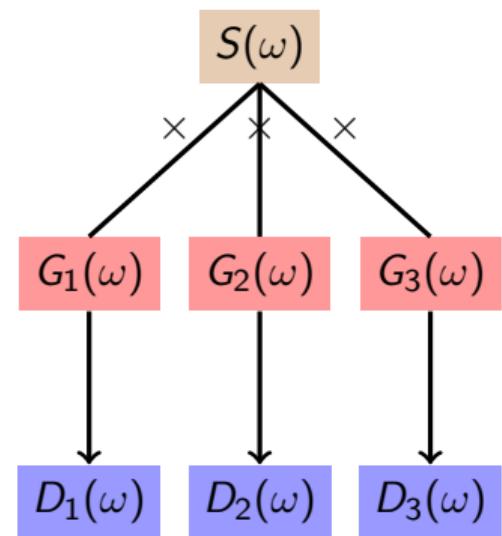
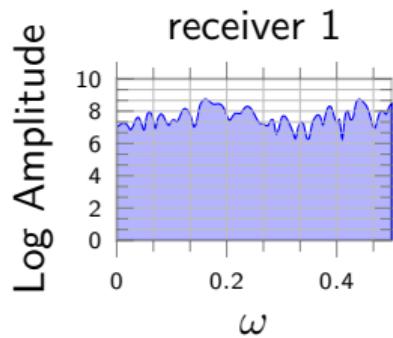




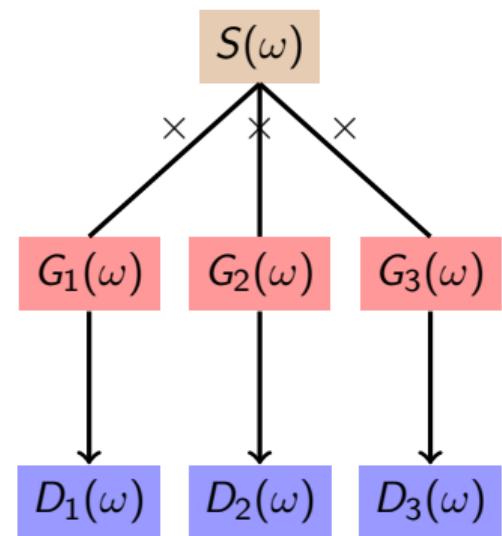
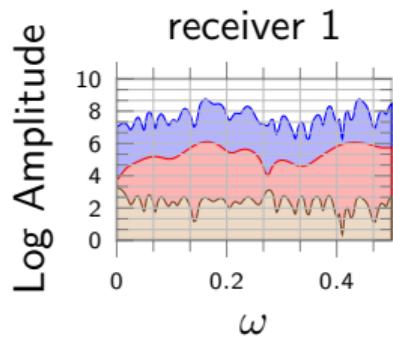




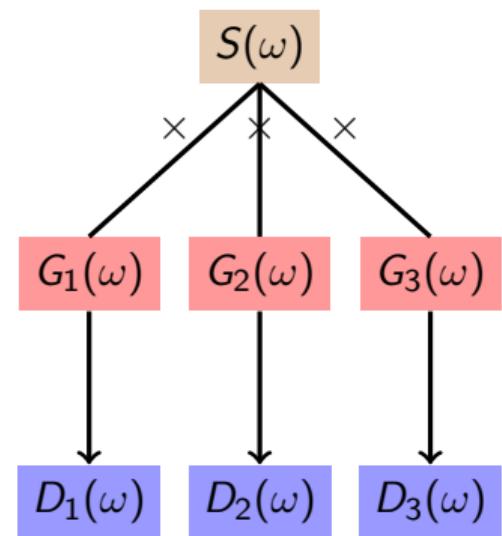
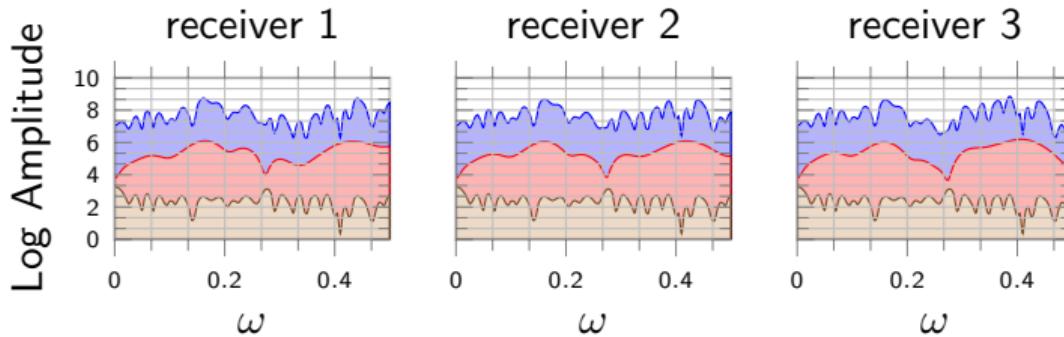
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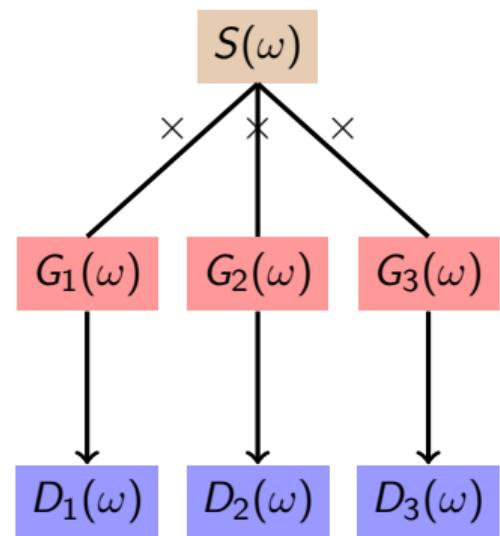
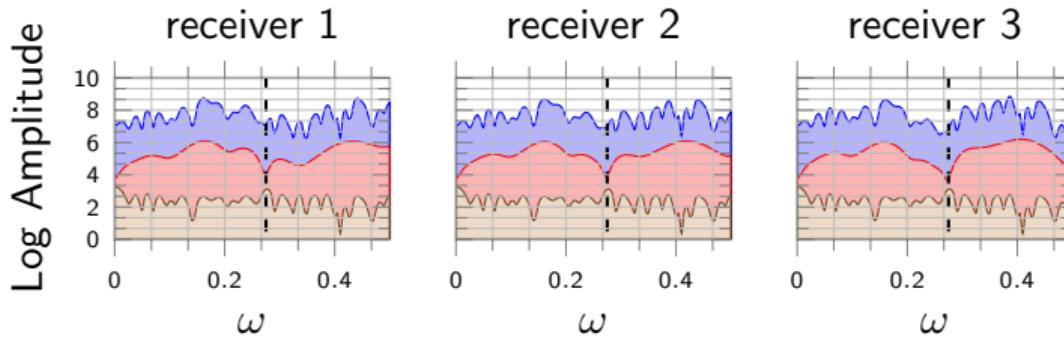
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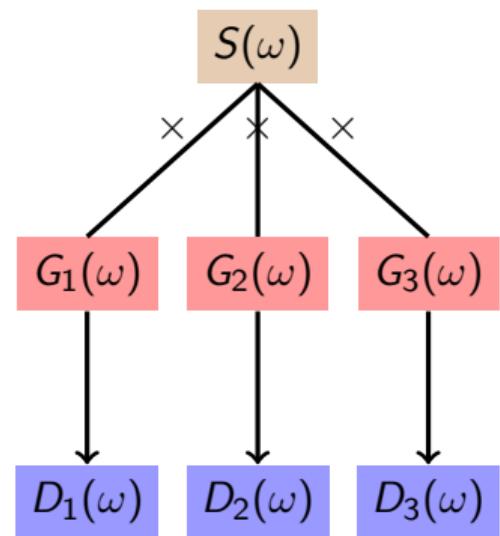
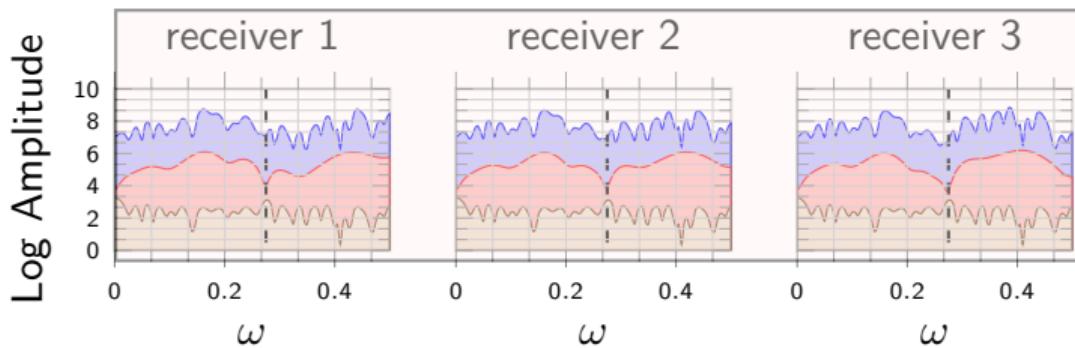


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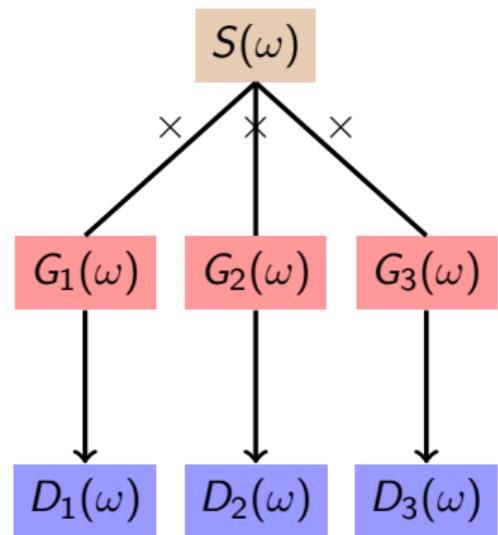
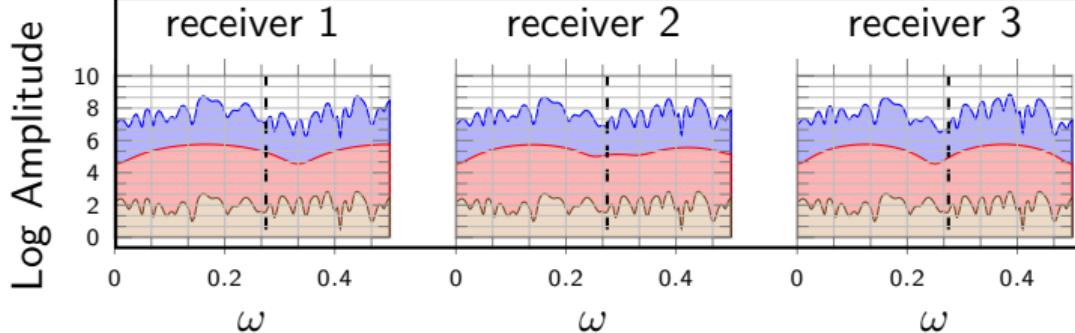
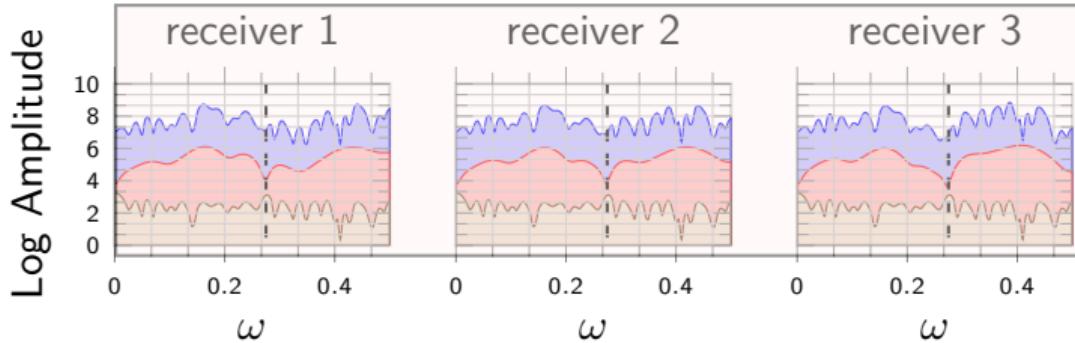
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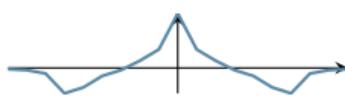
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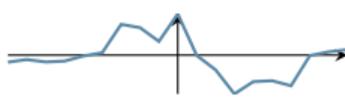


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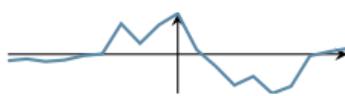
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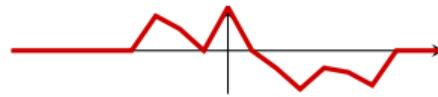
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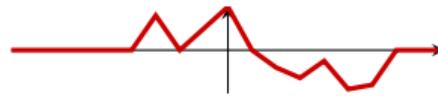
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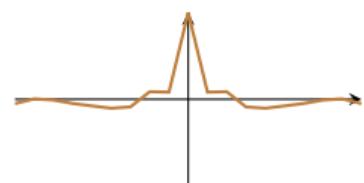
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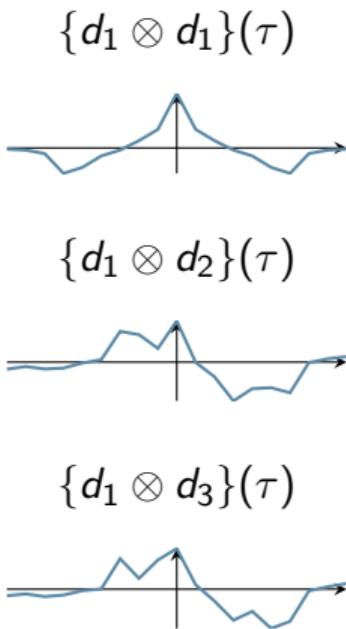
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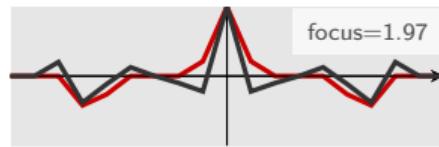
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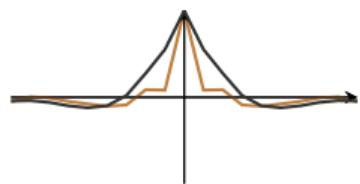
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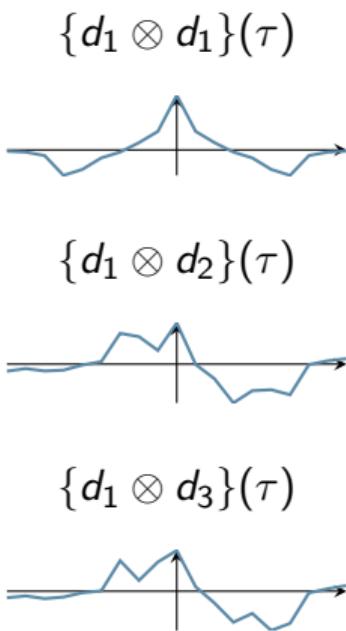
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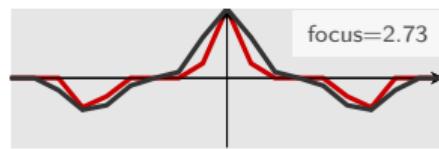
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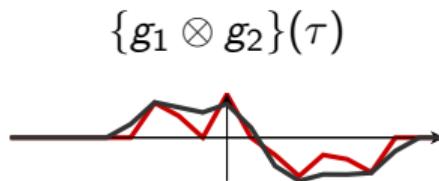
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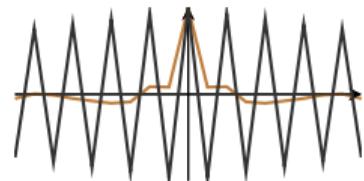
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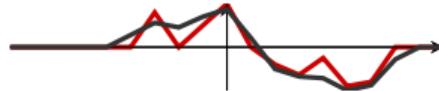
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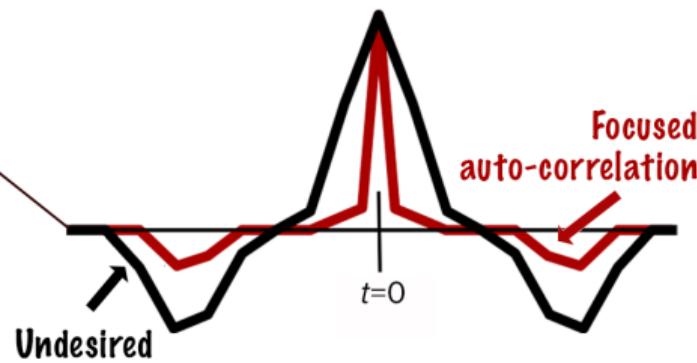
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Novel Idea: Focusing¹ in Deconvolution Promotes Dissimilar Path Effects

Maximally White Green's Function

Energy focusing in FBD near the zero lag of the auto-correlated Green's function results in a sparse recovery.



¹Bharadwaj, Demanet & Fournier 2018, Focused Blind Deconvolution, IEEE Trans. on Signal Processing

Focused Interferometric Blind Deconvolution²

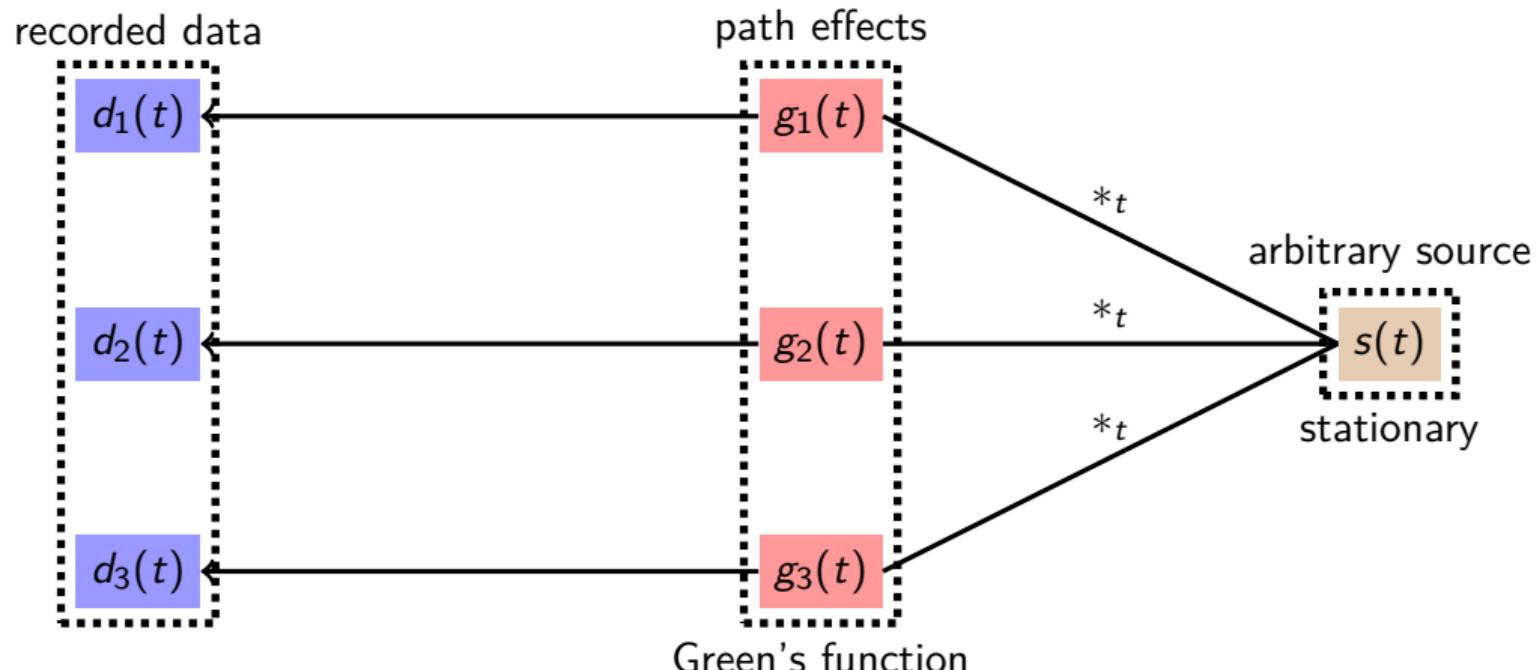
Definition

$$\arg \min_{k,l} \sum_{k,l} \sum_{\tau} \{ \{d_k \otimes d_l\}(\tau) - \{\{s \otimes s\} * \{g_k \otimes g_l\}\}(\tau)\}^2 + \alpha \underbrace{\sum_k \sum_{\tau} t^2 \{g_k \otimes g_k\}^2(\tau)}_{\text{Maximally White}}$$

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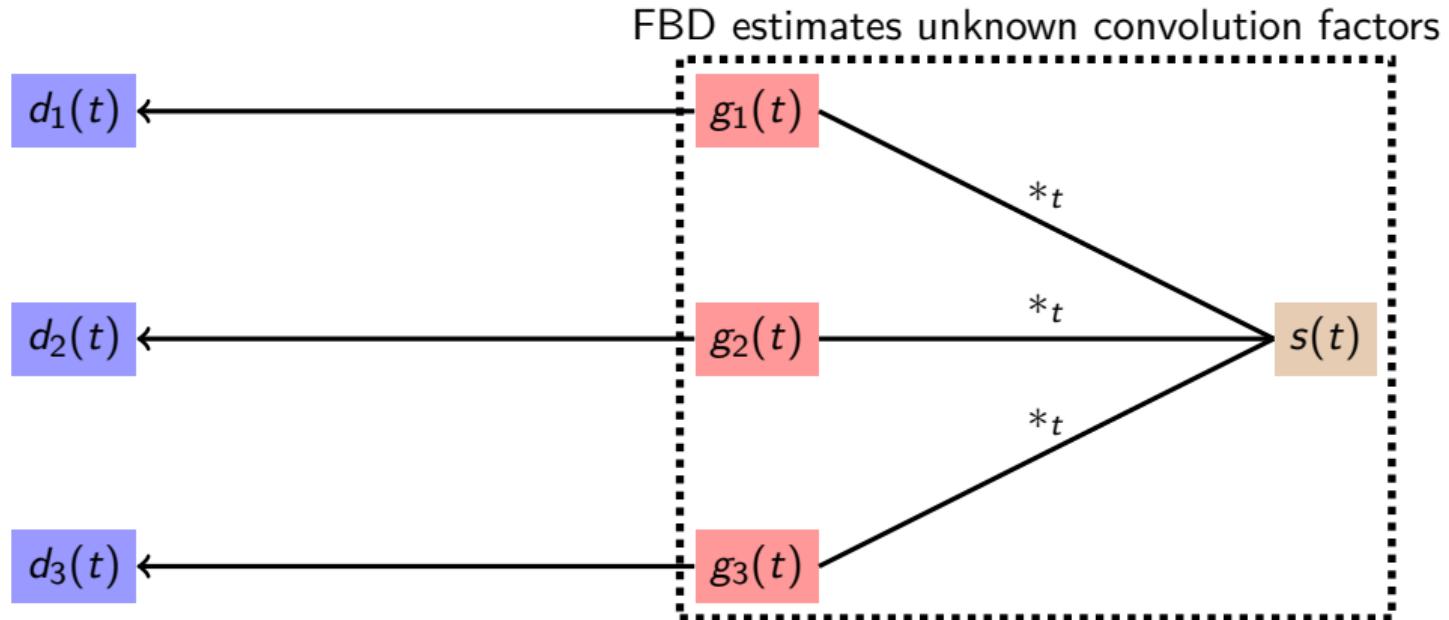
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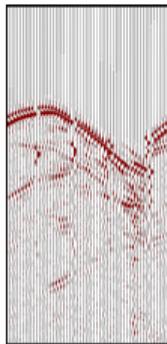
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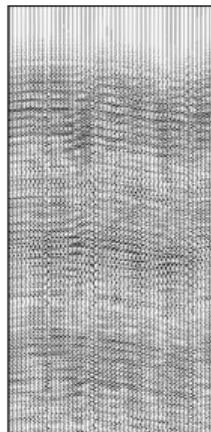
Green's Function

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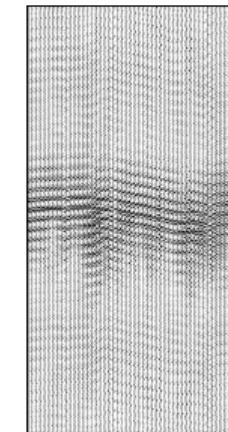


$t=7.5\text{s}$

Recorded Noise

Cross-correlation
With Pilot Record

$\tau=-2\text{s}$

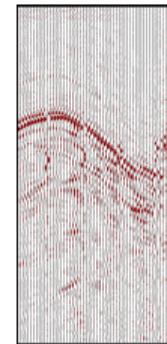


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FBD of Noise

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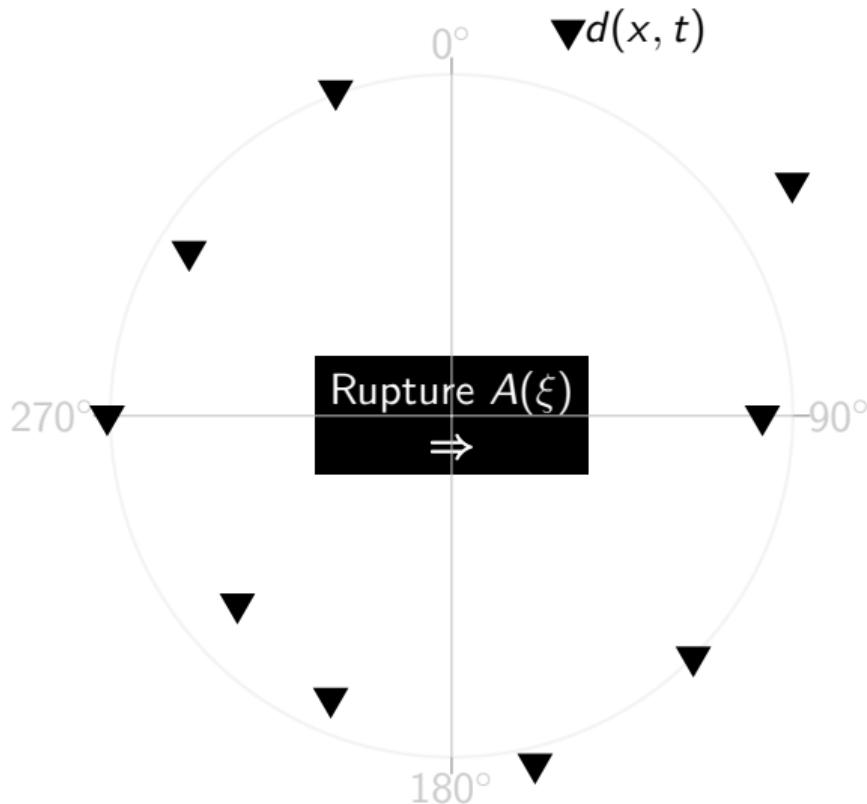
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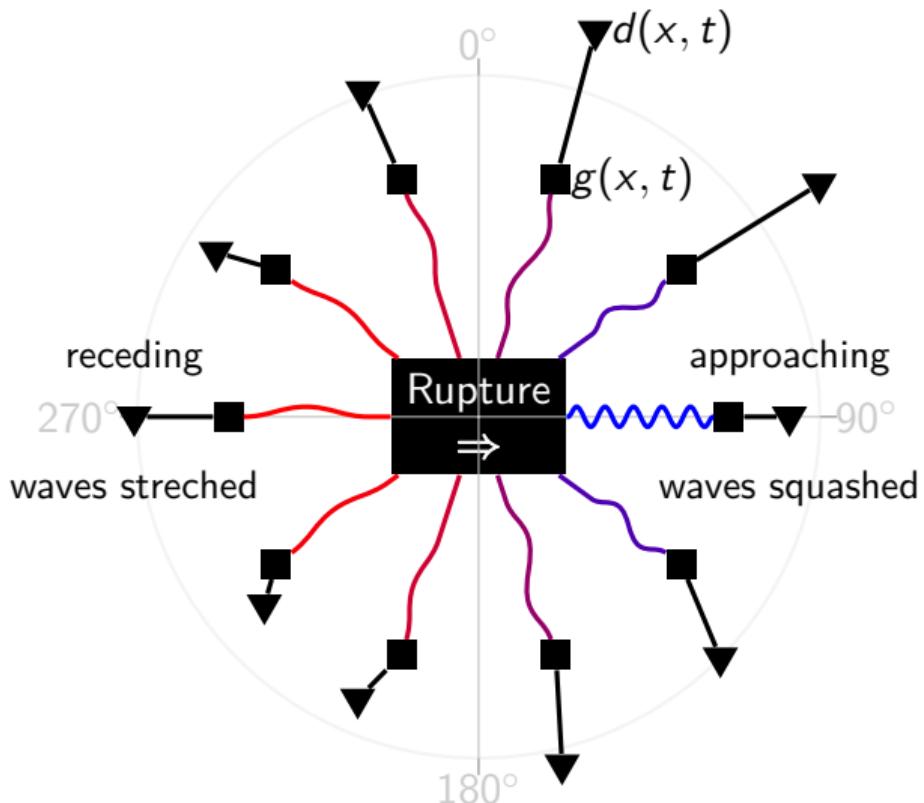
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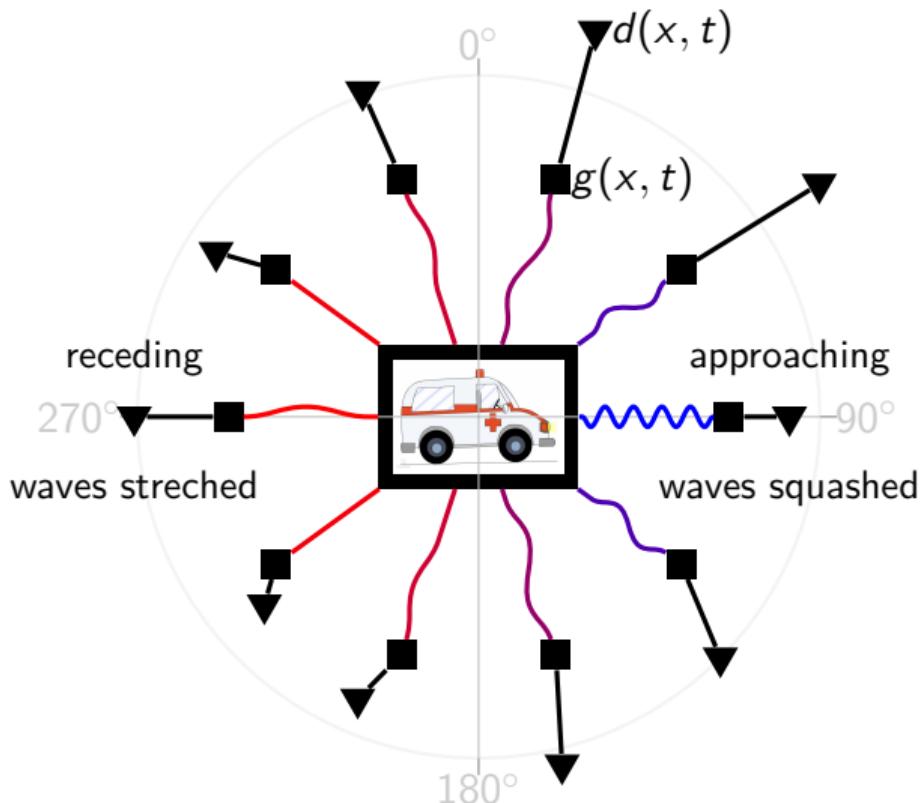
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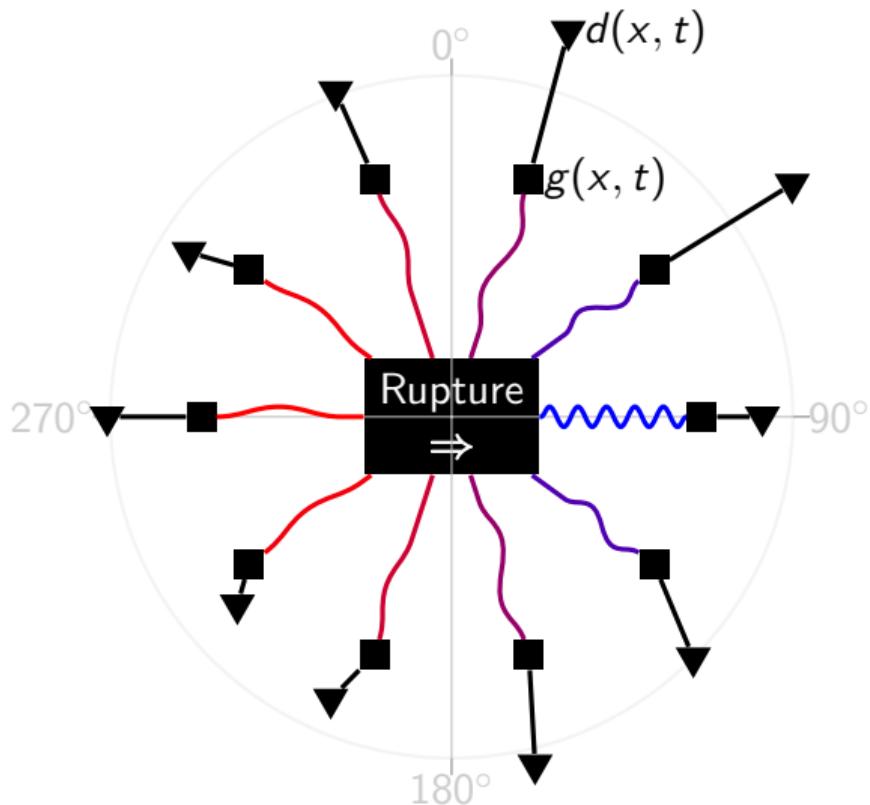
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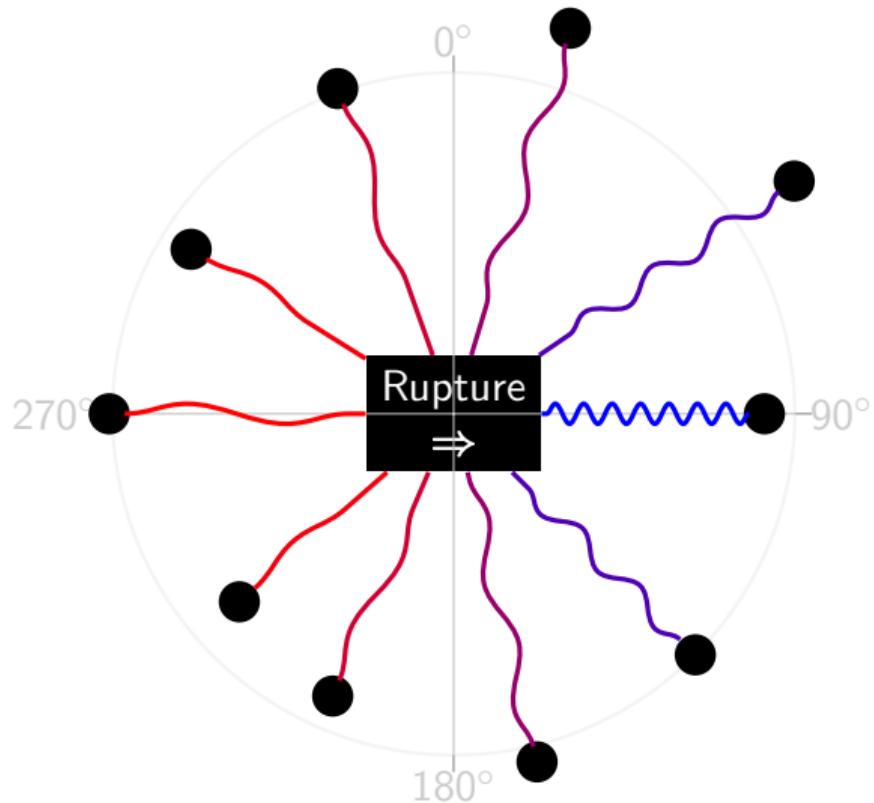


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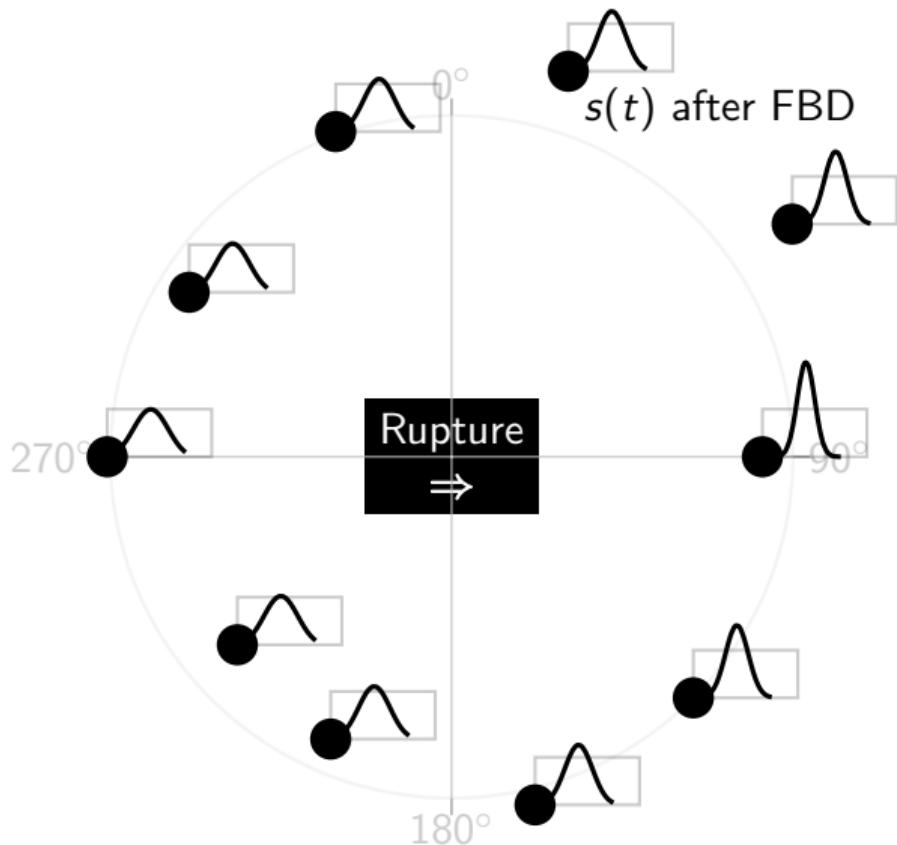
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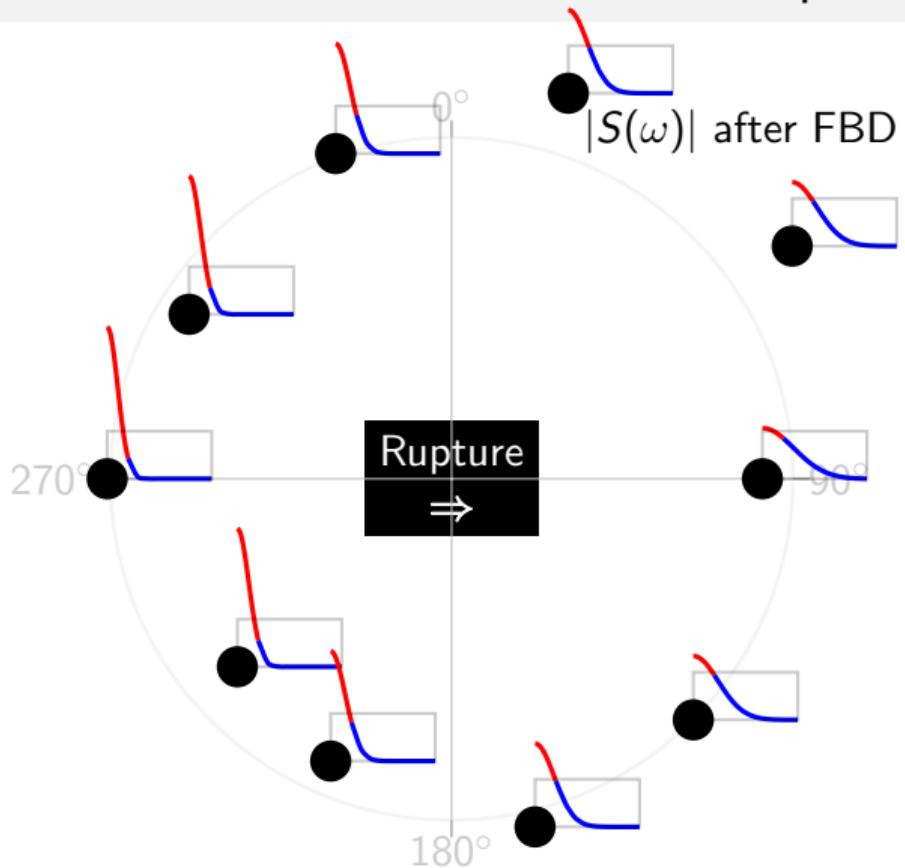
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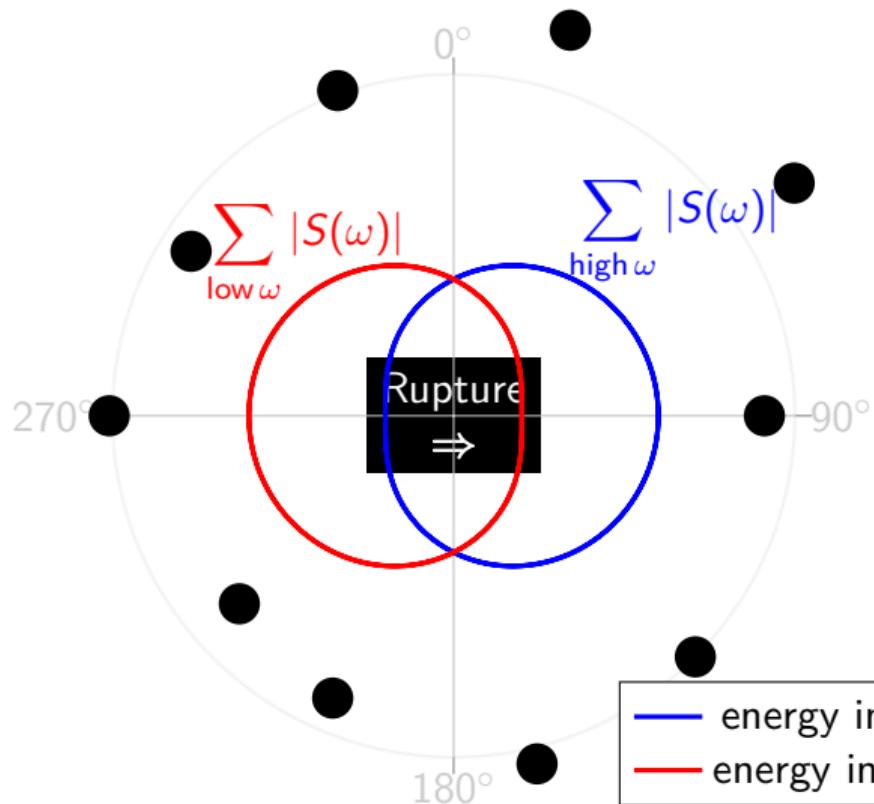
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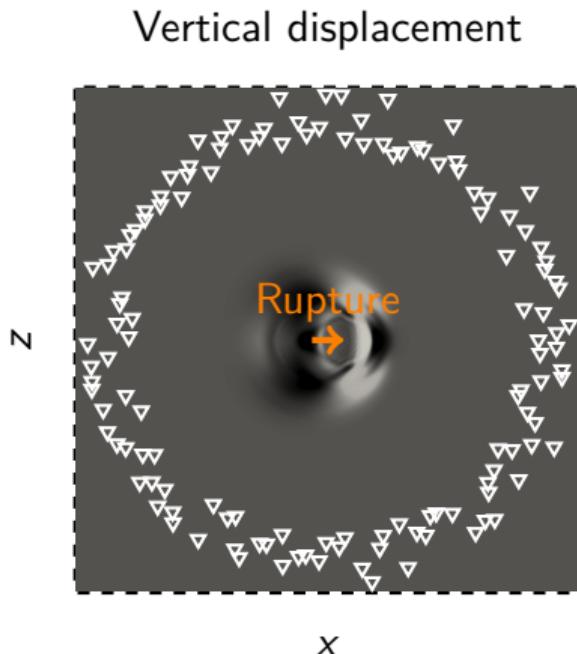
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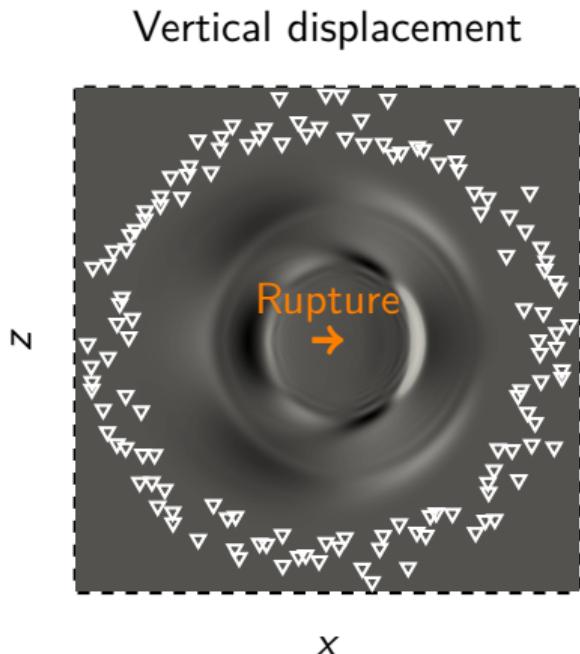
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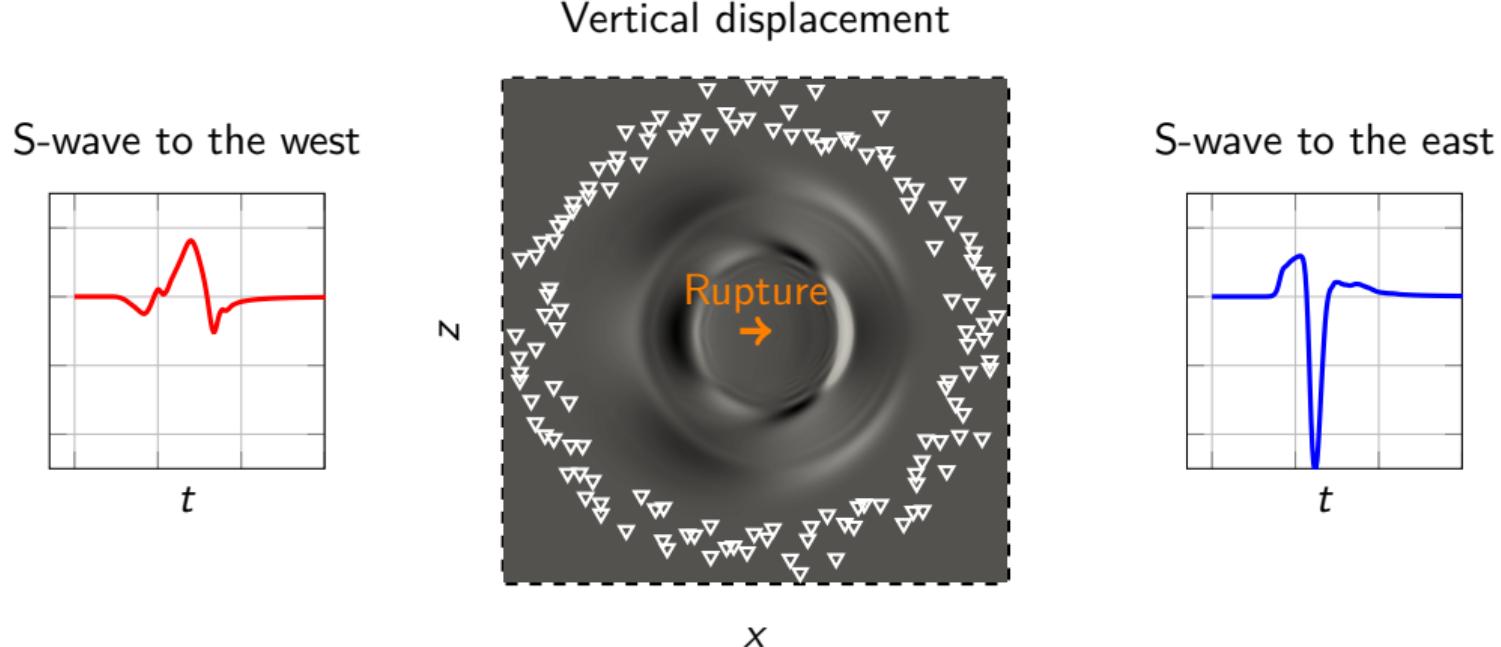
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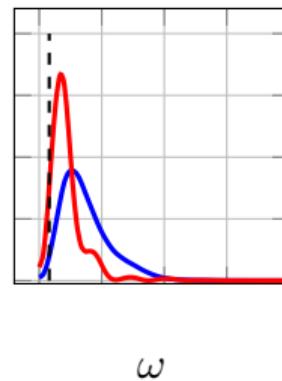
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S-wave to the west



S-wave spectra



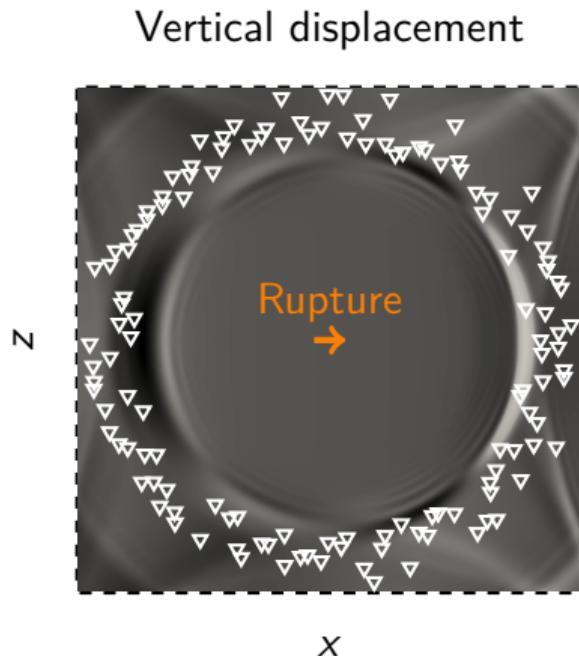
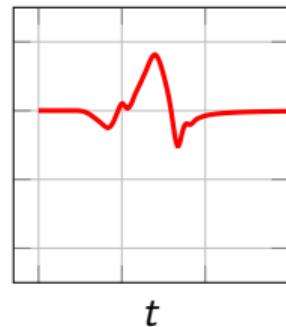
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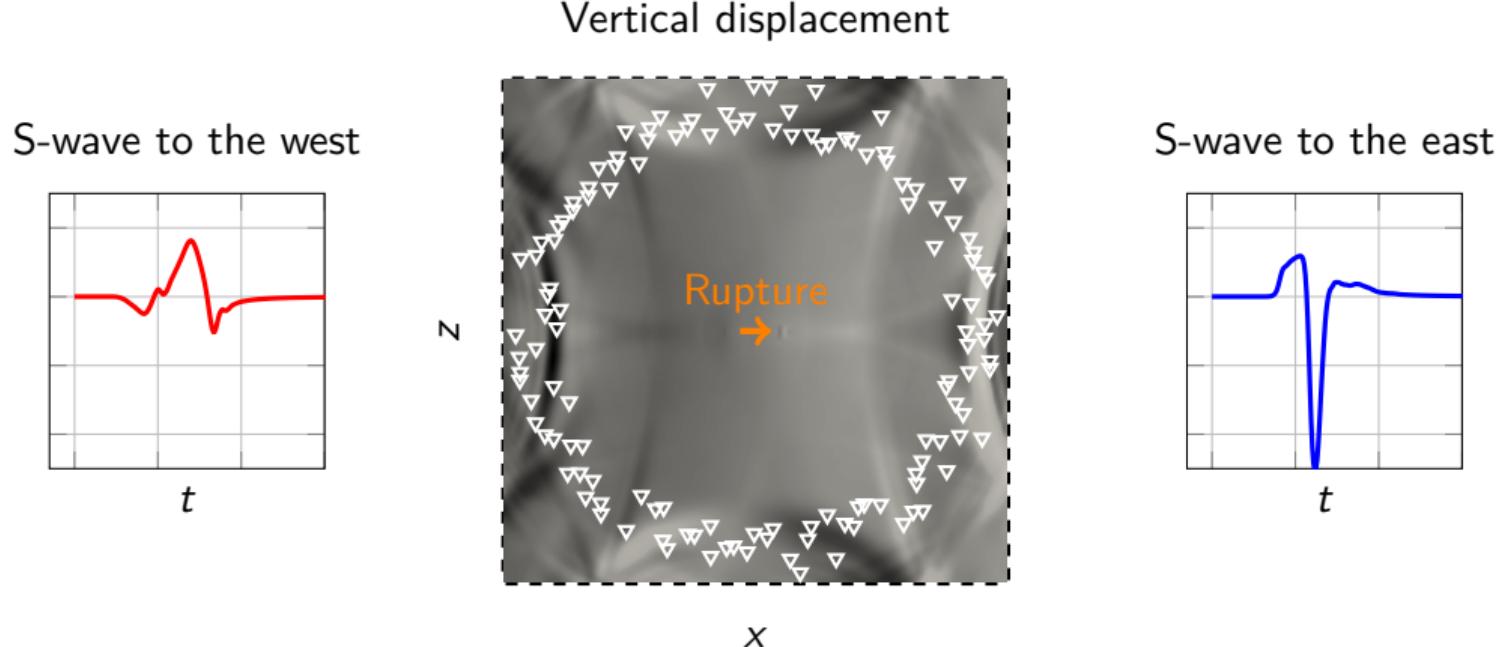


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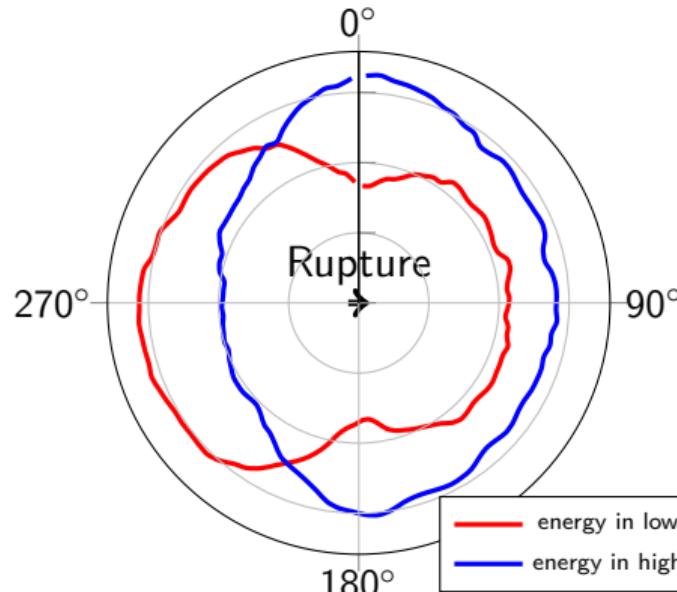


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Spectral Energy Vs Azimuth via FBD

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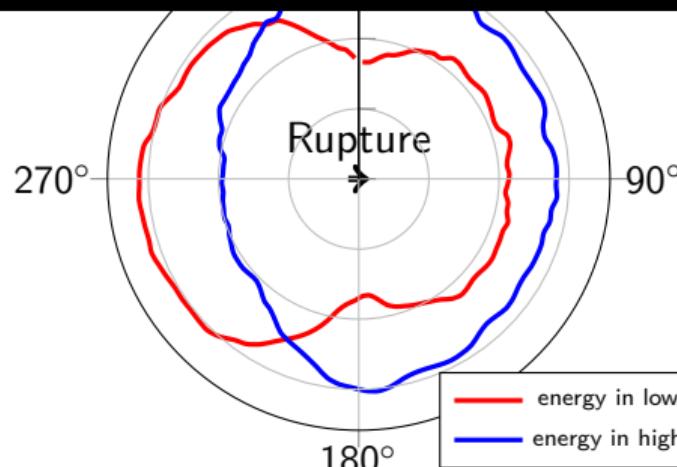
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FBD is data-driven i.e., it doesn't demand:
→knowledge of faulting;
→synthetic Green's function modeling;
→picking phases in seismograms.

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- energy in low-frequency band
- energy in high-frequency band

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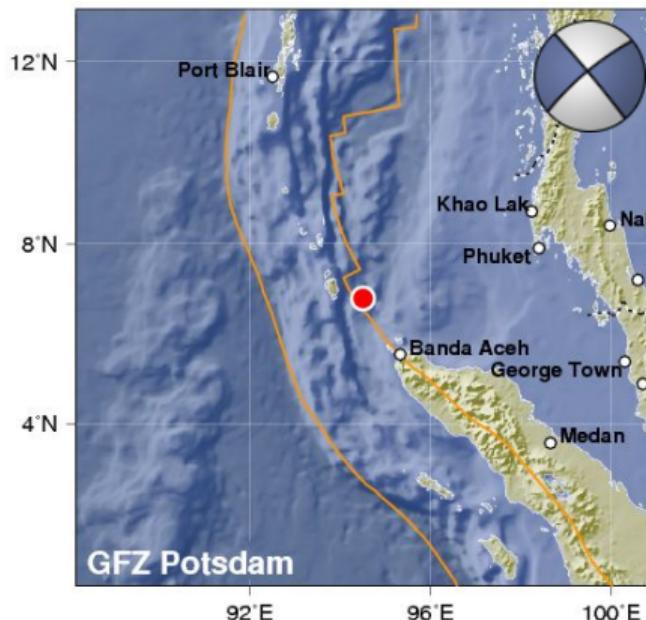
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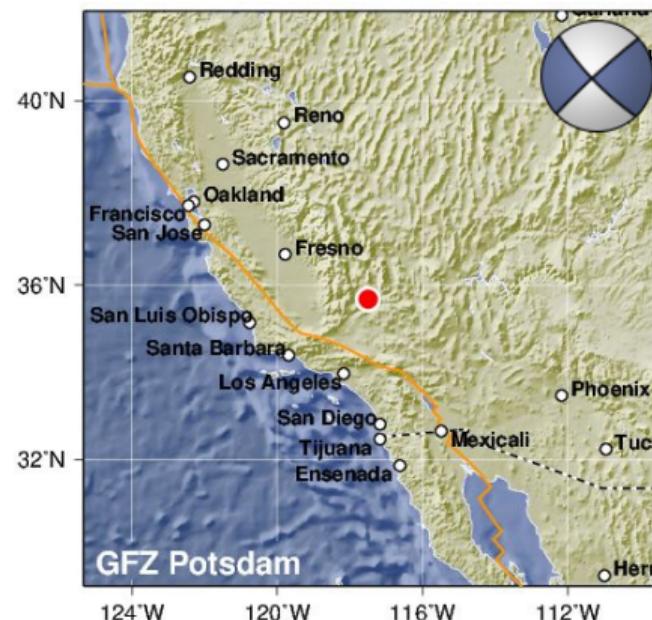
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Two Strike-Slip Earthquakes

(a) Nicobar Islands, India



(b) California, USA



Strike-slip Earthquake in Nicobar Islands

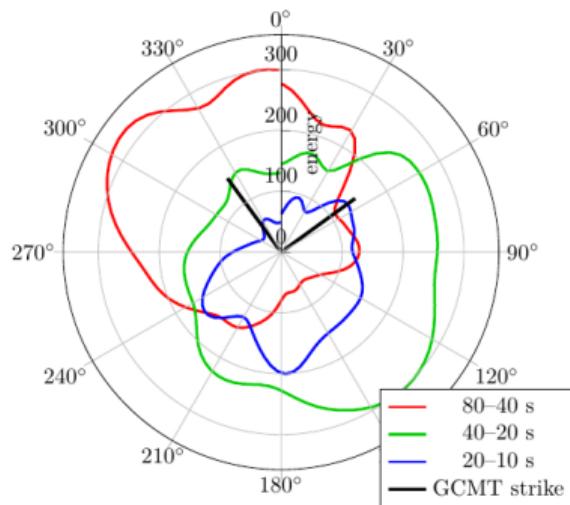
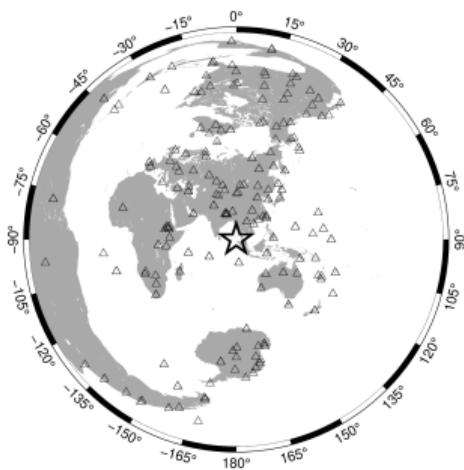
Result:

⇒ rupture velocity $\approx 2500 \text{ m/s}$

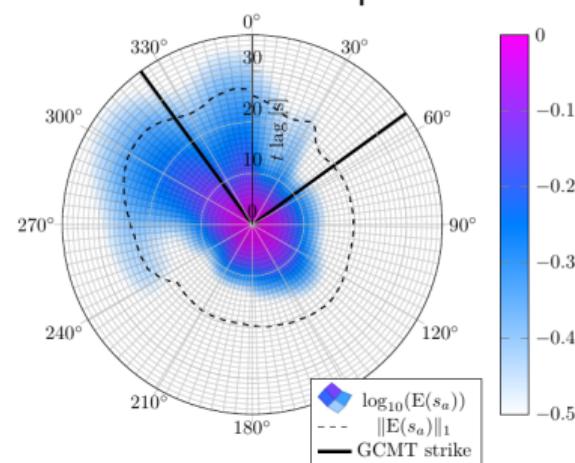
⇒ rupture propagation direction $\approx 140^\circ\text{N}$

⇒ min and max source durations: 10 & 30 seconds

Mw=6.6 on 11-08-2015



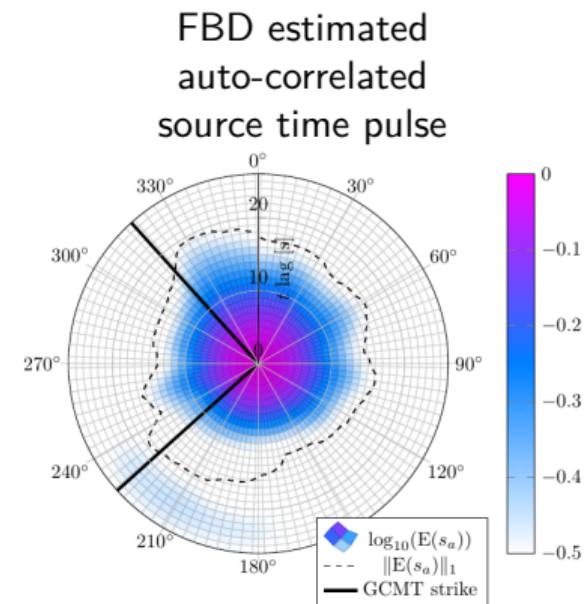
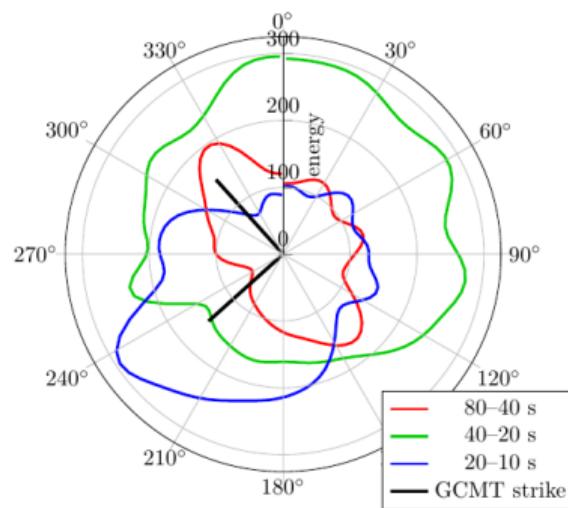
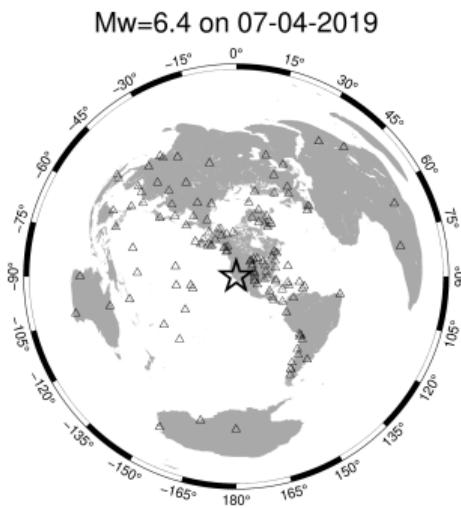
FBD estimated
auto-correlated
source time pulse



Strike-slip Earthquake — Ridgecrest Foreshock, California

Result:

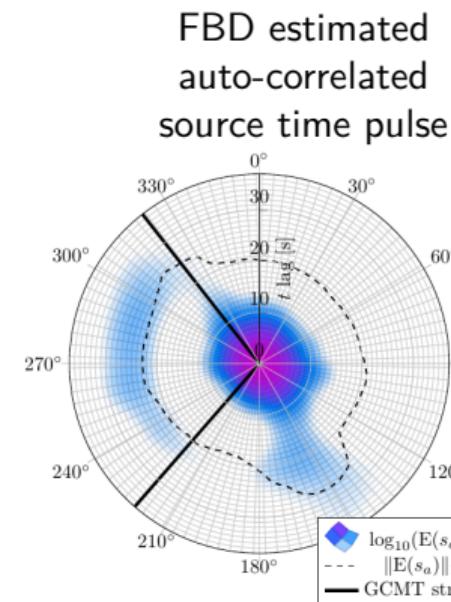
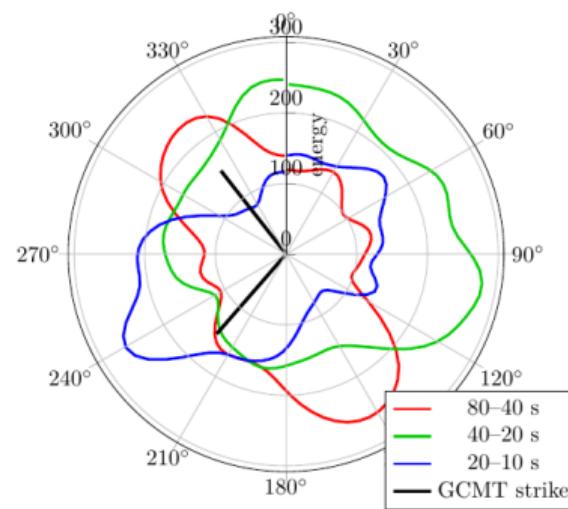
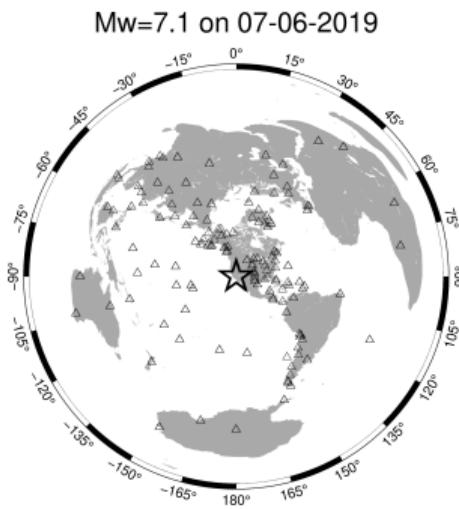
- ⇒ rupture propagation direction $\approx 230^\circ\text{N}$
- ⇒ min and max source durations: 11 & 15 seconds



Strike-slip Earthquake — Ridgecrest Aftershock, California

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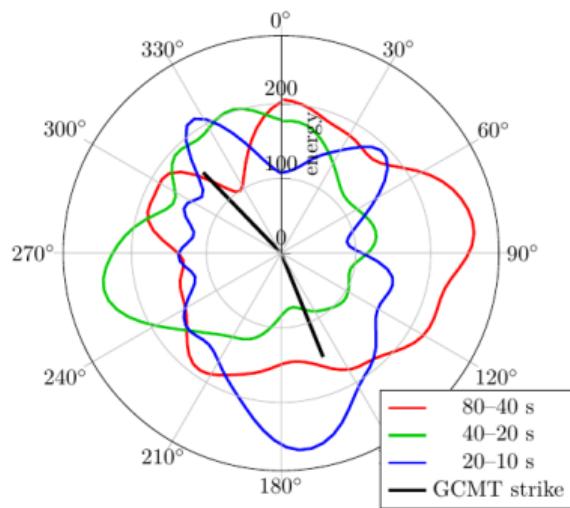
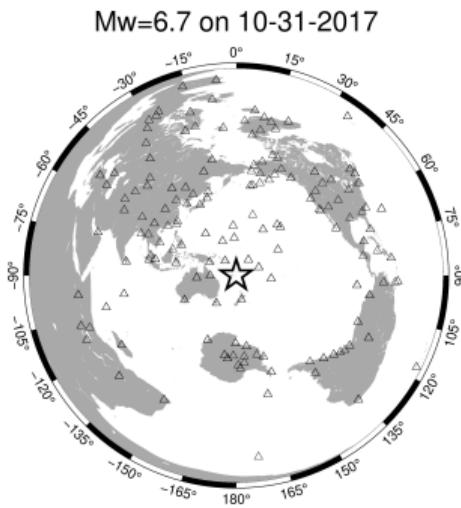
- dominant rupture propagation direction $\approx 330^\circ\text{N}$
- more complicated rupture than the foreshock



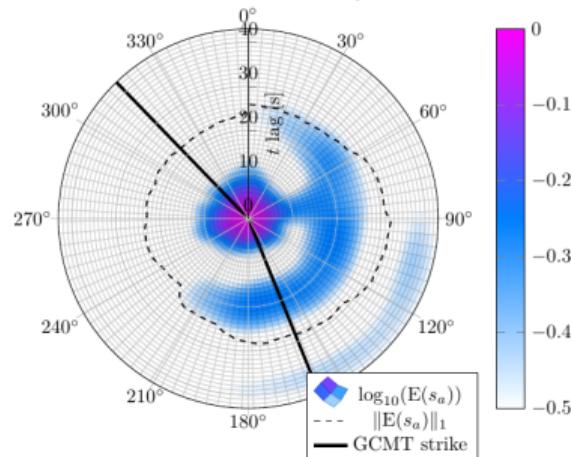
Loyalty Islands

Result:

- ⇒ rupture halted between the first and second subevents
- ⇒ duration of silence is about 5 seconds



FBD estimated
auto-correlated
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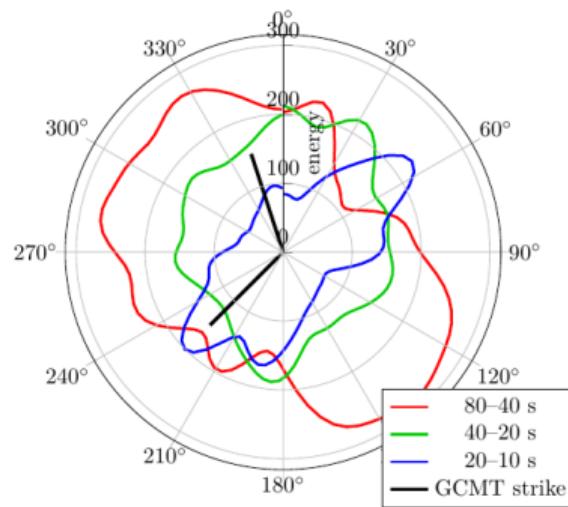
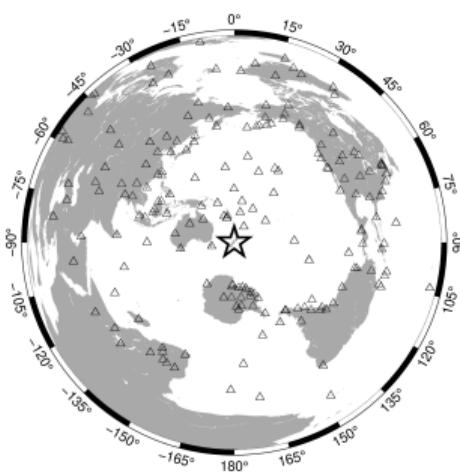


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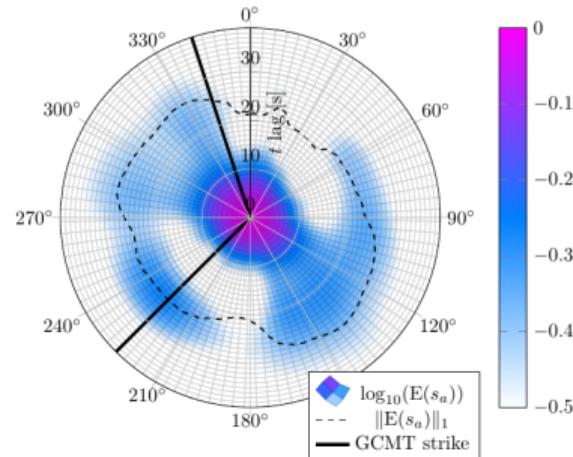
Result:

- ⇒ multiple modes of rupture
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- ⇒ propagating towards NNE

Mw=7.8 on 11-13-2016



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