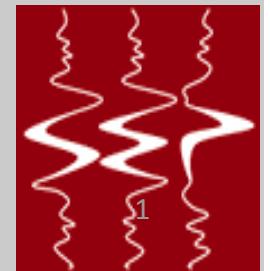
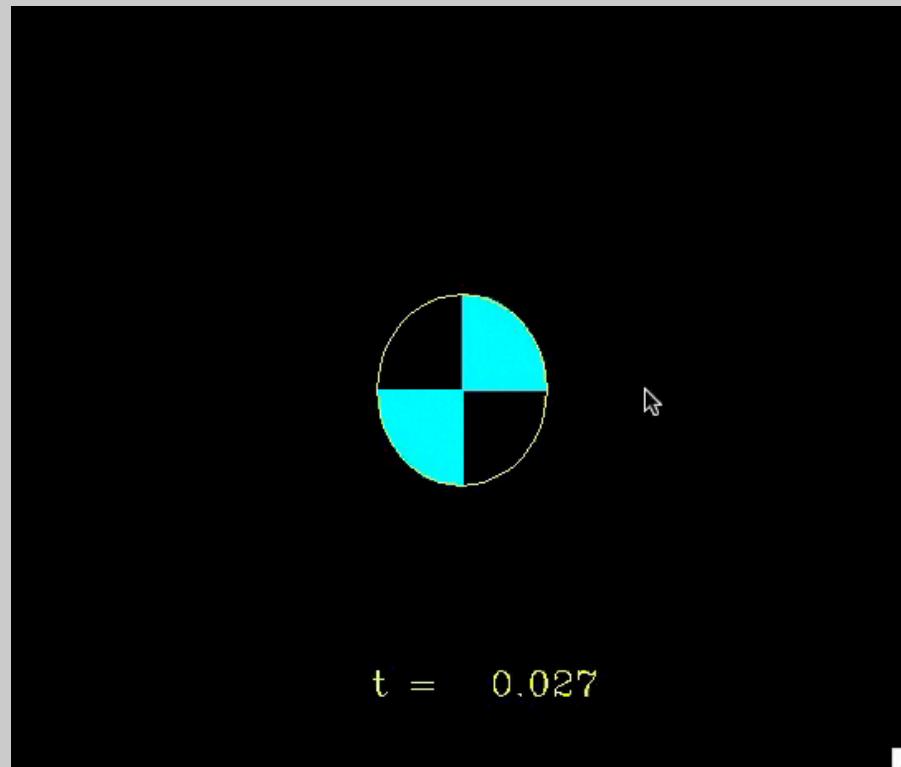


# Applications for rotational seismic data

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SEP-149, pp251-272

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# Agenda

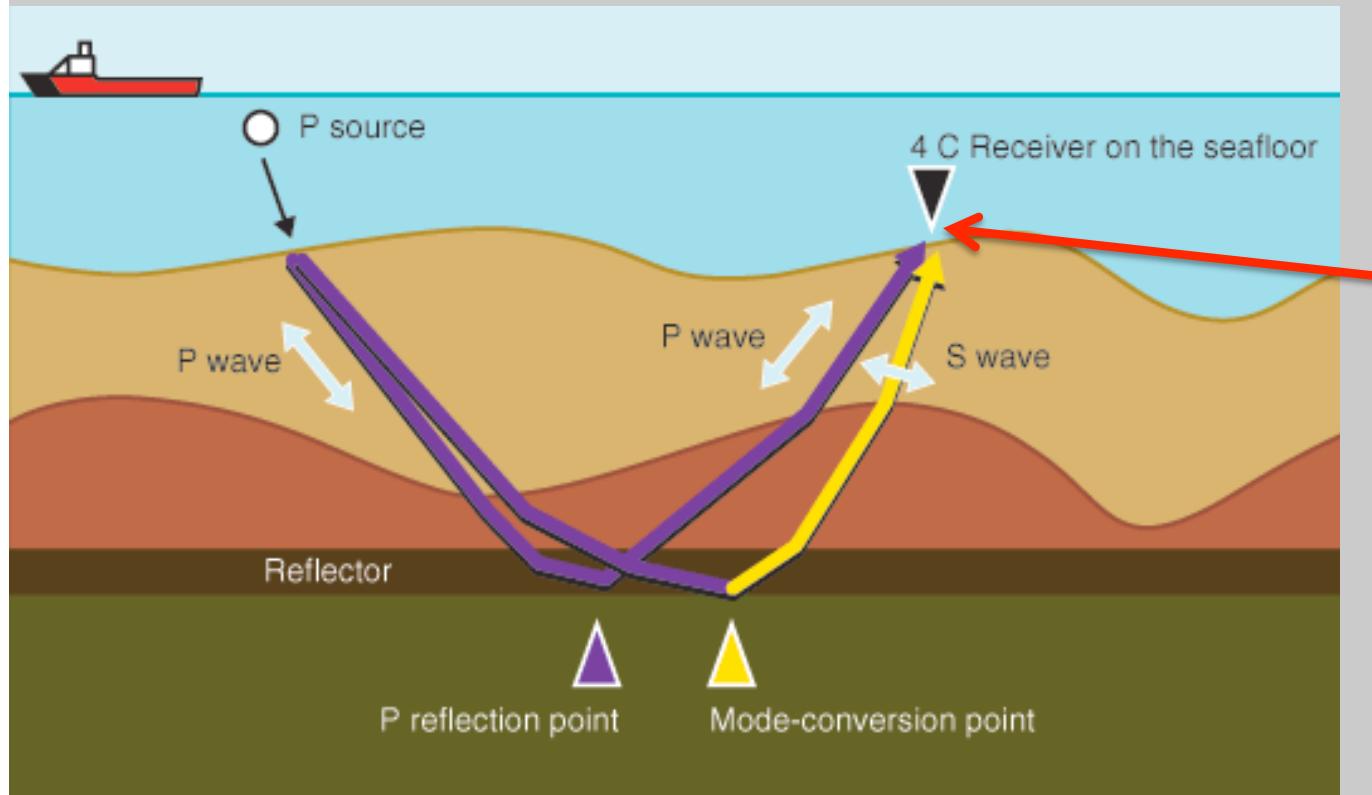
- Rotation data is great.
- You should all go and acquire rotation data.
- You should then give us the data.

# Outline

- Vz noise in OBS acquisition
- Rotation sensors
- Synthetic modeling of OBS seven-component data
- Signatures of different wave types in seven-component data

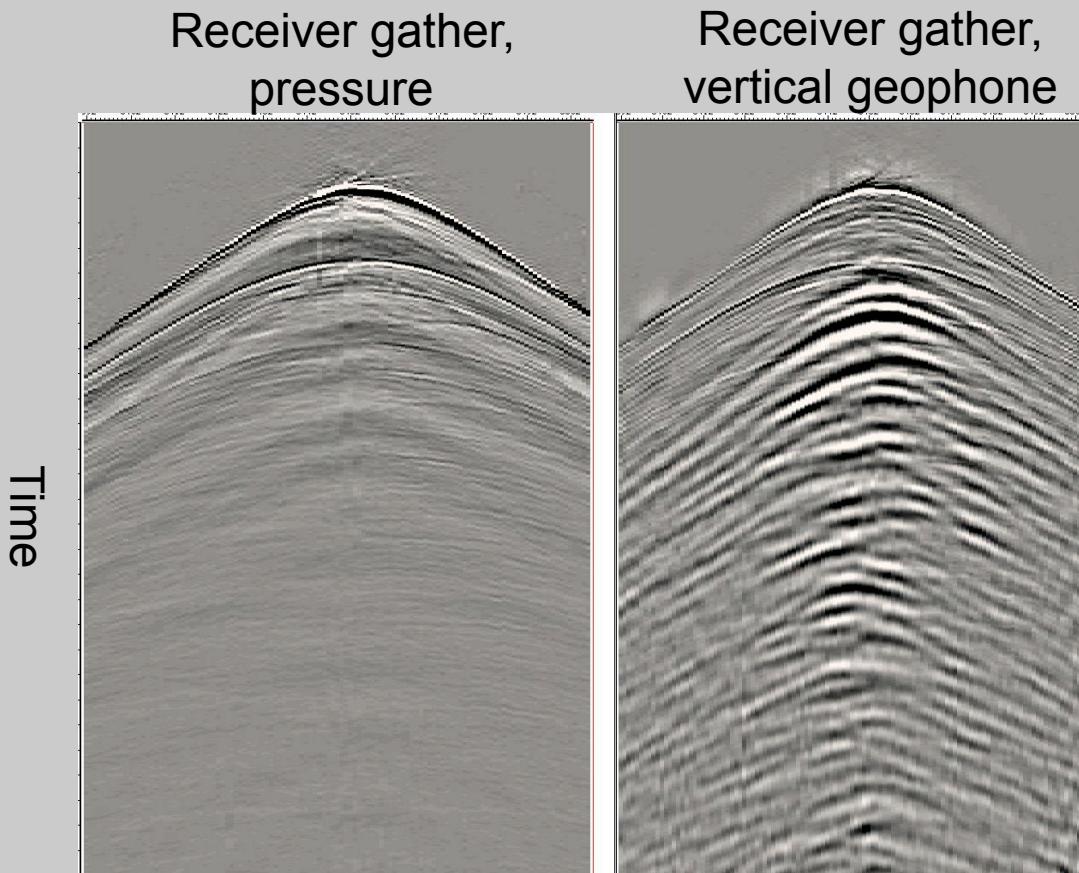
Cool animations coming soon.....

# OBS acquisition



receivers are located on an interface

# $V_z$ “shear induced” noise

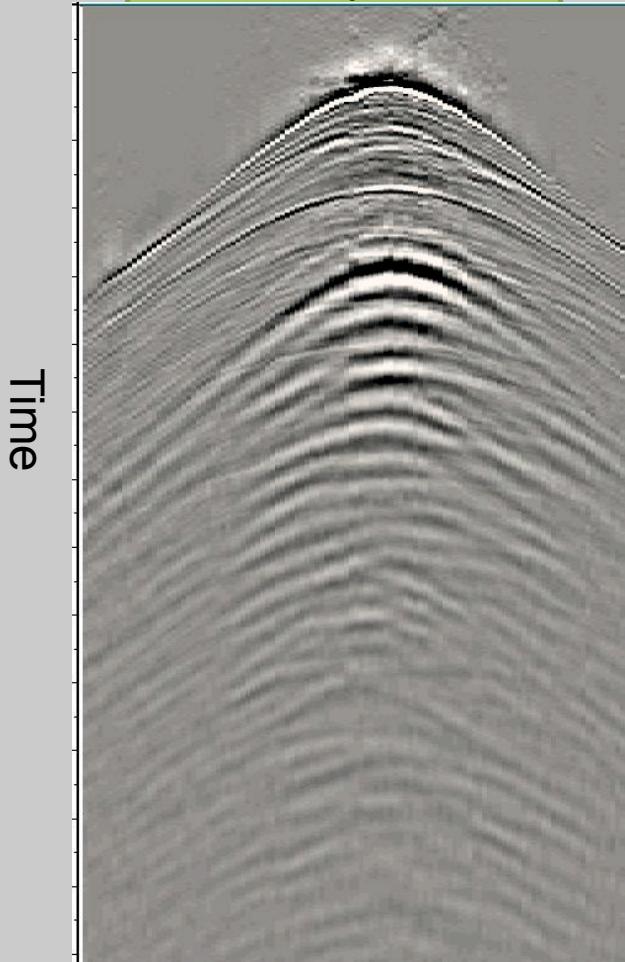


- Energy observed on vertical geophone that is not present on pressure
- Similar appearance to shear waves, although these are generally not present on the vertical component

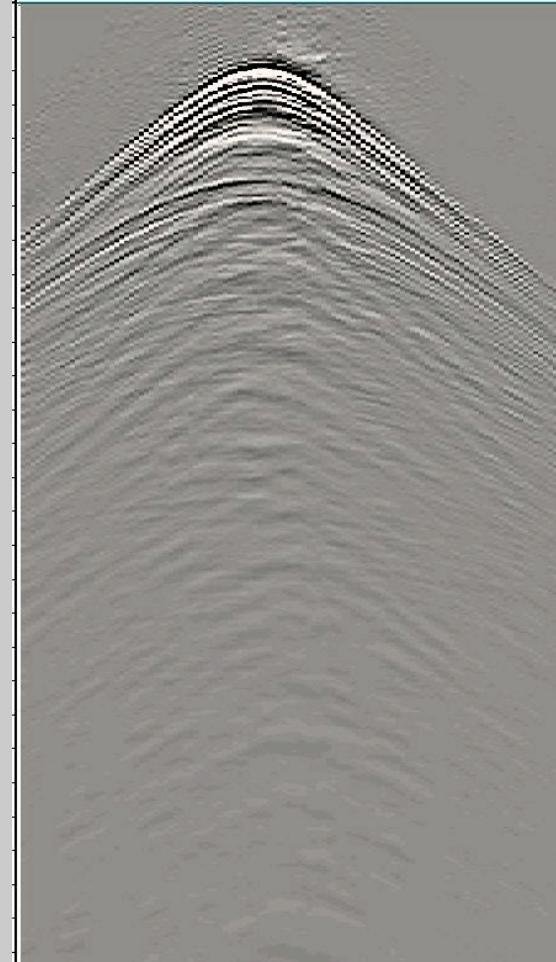
Courtesy of Apache  
Thanks to CGG for data distribution<sup>5</sup>

# $V_z$ “shear induced” noise

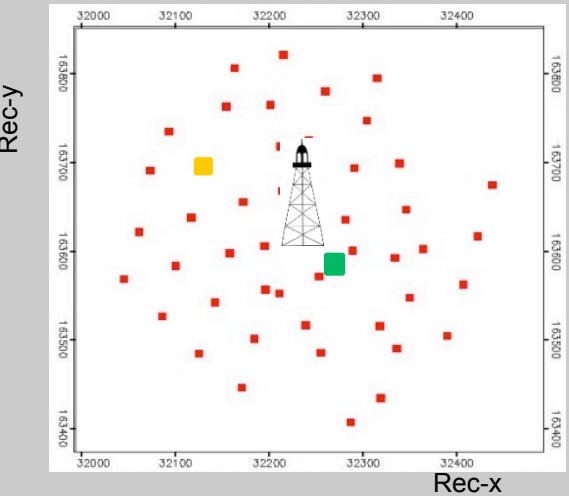
Receiver gather,  
vertical geophone,  
close to platform



Receiver gather,  
vertical geophone,  
far from platform

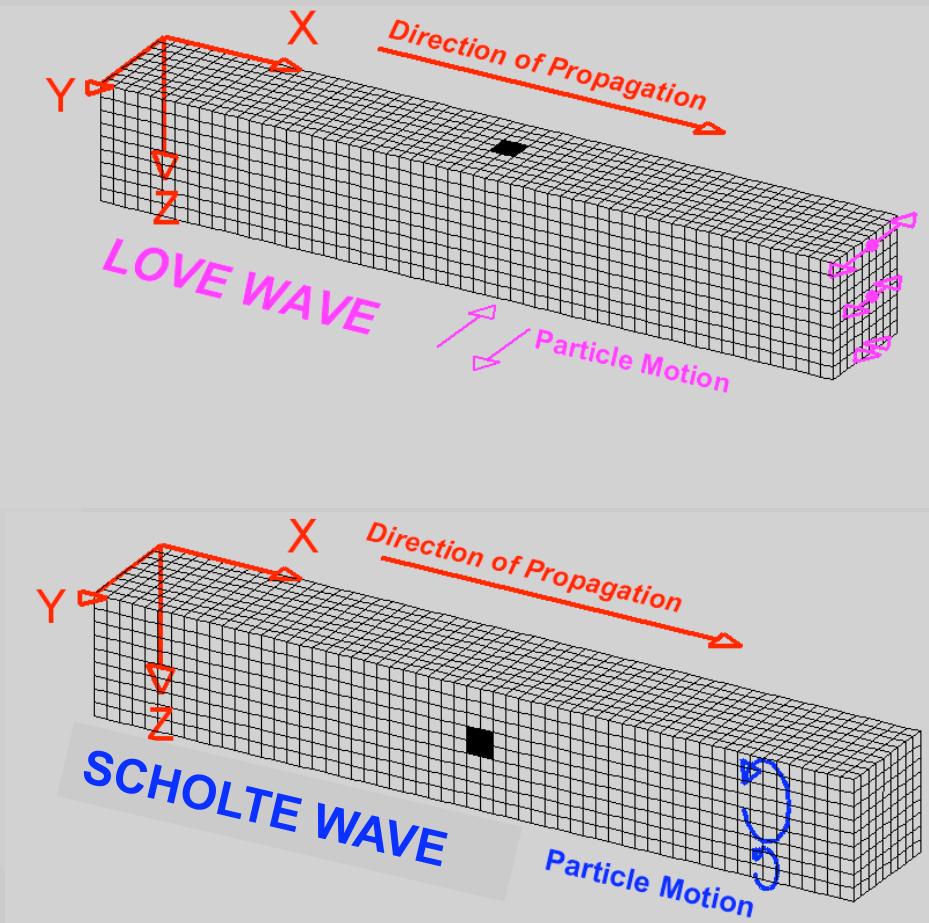
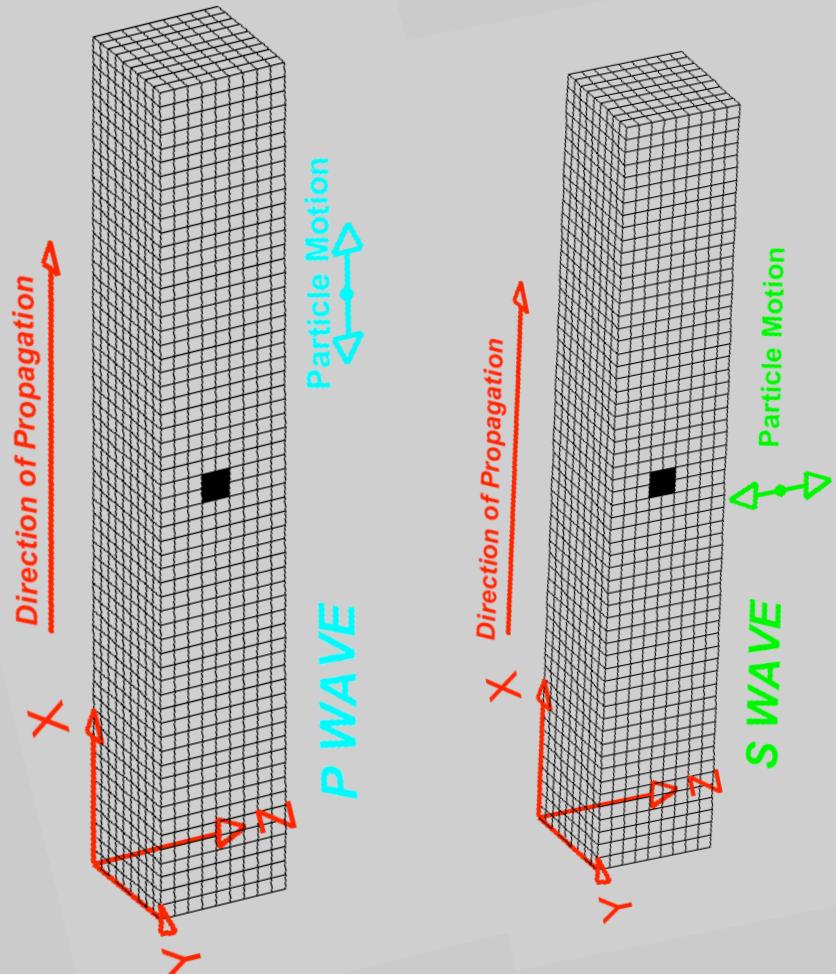


Node Position



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# Body waves and surface waves



# **V<sub>z</sub> “shear induced” noise**

1. Scattered surface waves
  - Feature of the wavefield
  - Can be modeled with elastic modeling
2. Vector infidelity: shear waves induce wobbling and bouncing of the node body.
  - Not a feature of the wavefield
  - Independent of external scattering
  - Cannot be modeled with elastic modeling

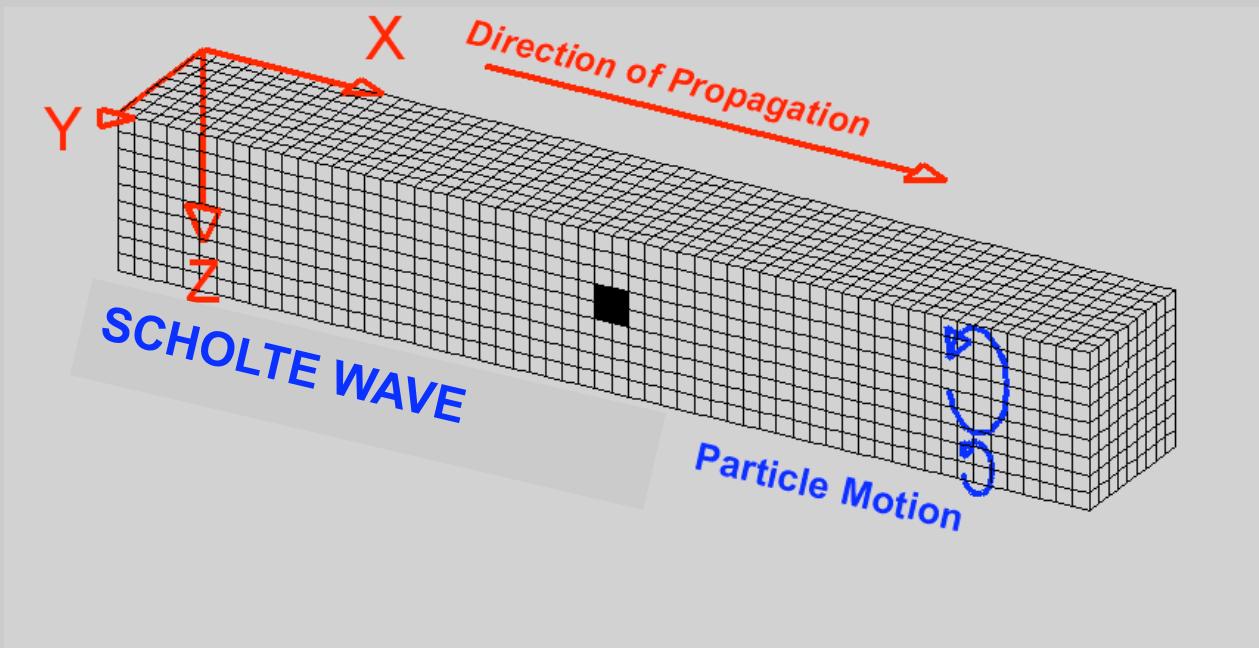
Separate phenomena, which can have the same effect on the data  
Both occur mainly in soft, muddy water bottoms

(Thanks to Josef Paffenholz, Fairfieldnodal)

# $V_z$ “shear induced” noise

## 1. Scattered surface waves

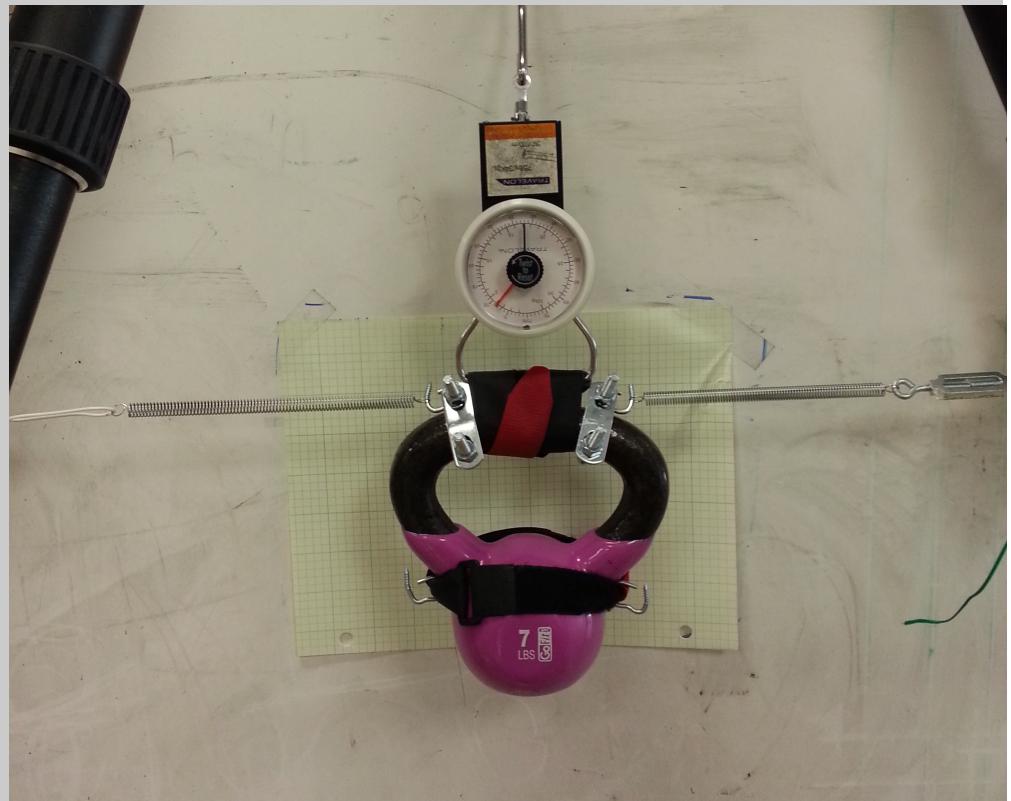
- Feature of the wavefield
- Can be modeled with elastic modeling



Interface wave, mostly rotational motion

# $V_z$ “shear induced” noise

2. Vector infidelity: shear waves induce wobbling and bouncing of the node body
  - Not a feature of the wavefield
  - Independent of external scattering
  - Cannot be modeled with elastic modeling



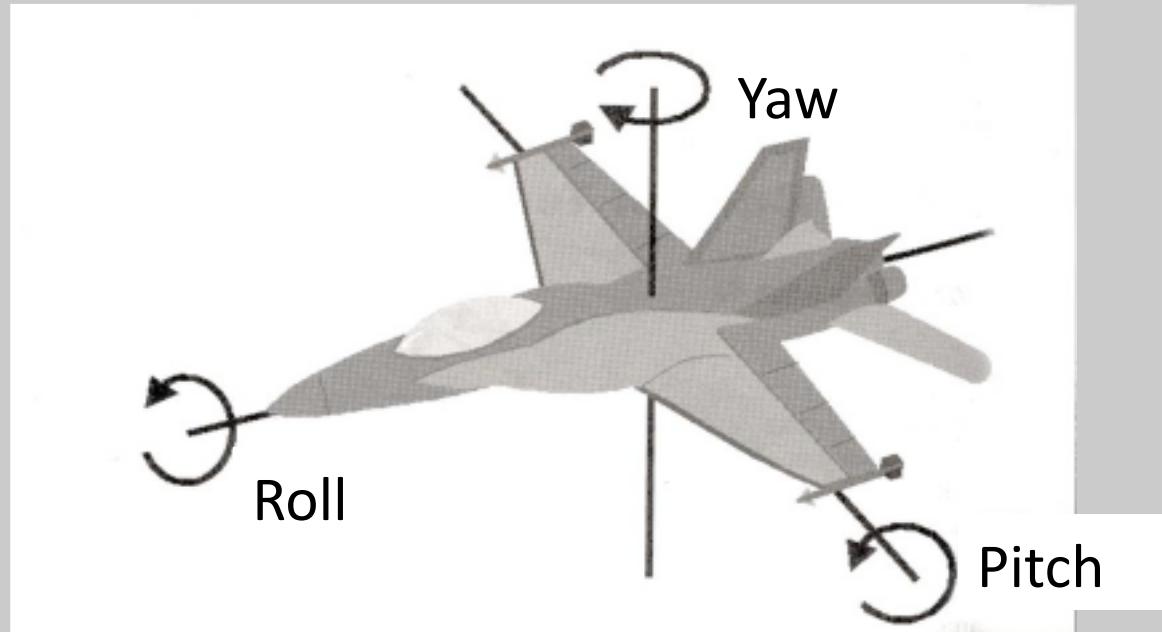
# Rotation sensors

Geophones record motion along the axes (“3C”):

$$v_x, v_y, v_z$$

Rotation sensors record motion around the axes (“3θ”):

$$\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z$$

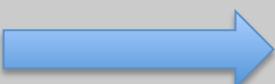


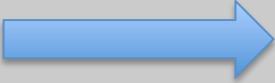
# Seven-component data

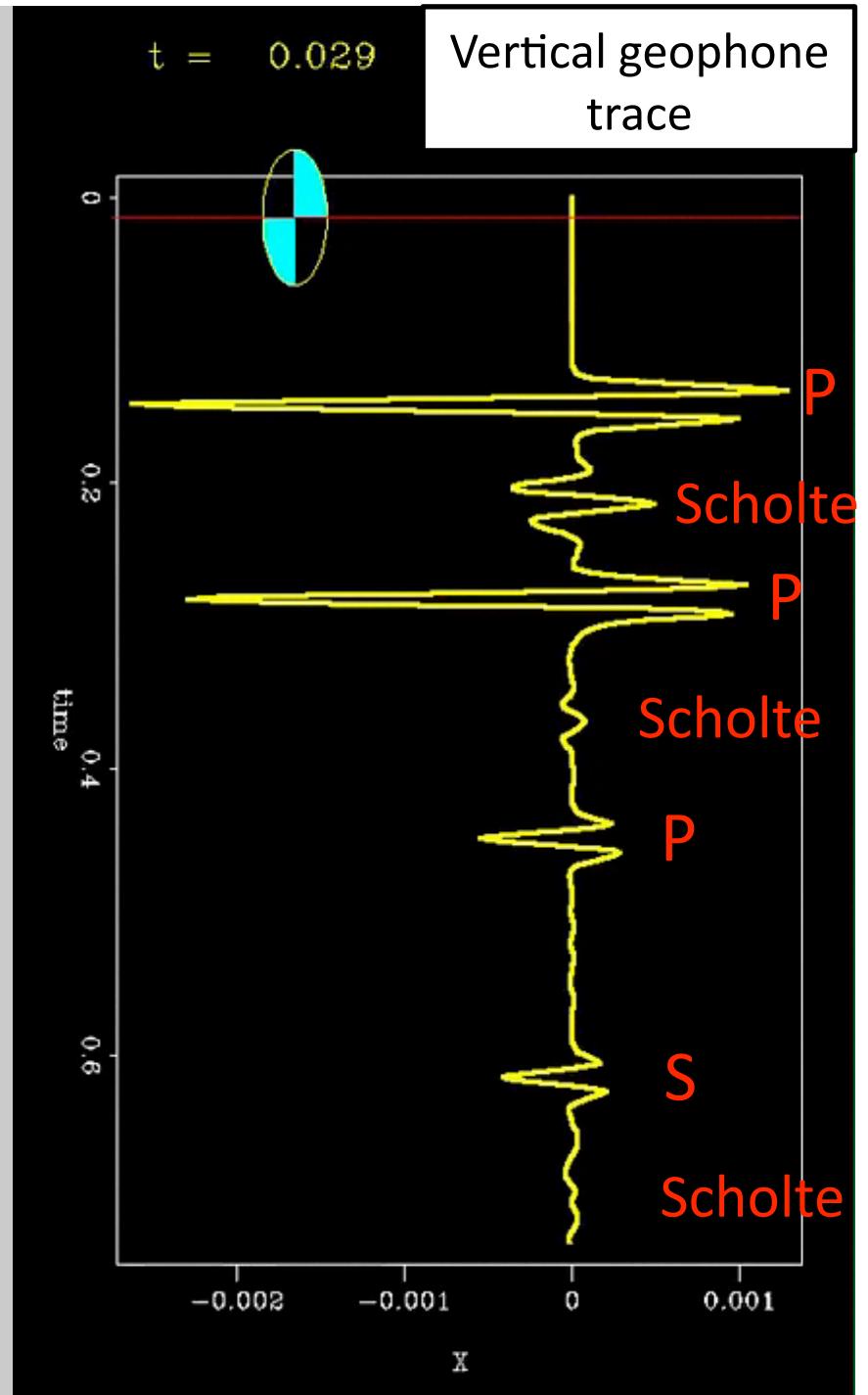
- Hydrophone
  - 3C geophones
  - 3C rotation sensors
1. Need motivation to put 3 extra sensors on a node  
(battery, data volume, channels, unit price, etc.)
  2. Need a good way to display 7C data

Thanks to Robert Brune for suggesting the beach-ball symbol.

Pressure  Size

Particle displacement  Motion of circle center

Rotation  Circle rotation



# Applications for rotation data

- Muyzert et al., 74<sup>th</sup> EAGE annual conference: Interpolation of the vertical component for de-aliasing.
- Brune et al., 82<sup>nd</sup> SEG annual conference: Improve spatial sampling, shear wave selectivity, AVO, determination of propagation direction at a point array.
- Geokinetics, Schlumberger, Sandia Nat. Labs, Applied Technology Associates, Eentec, MetTech

# Applications for rotation data

1. Identifying and attenuating  $V_z$  noise
2. Converted-wave AVO, application to gas hydrates  
rock physics modeling (Secondary project, appears  
in report)

# Elastic modeling

$u_x, u_y, u_z$  Meters

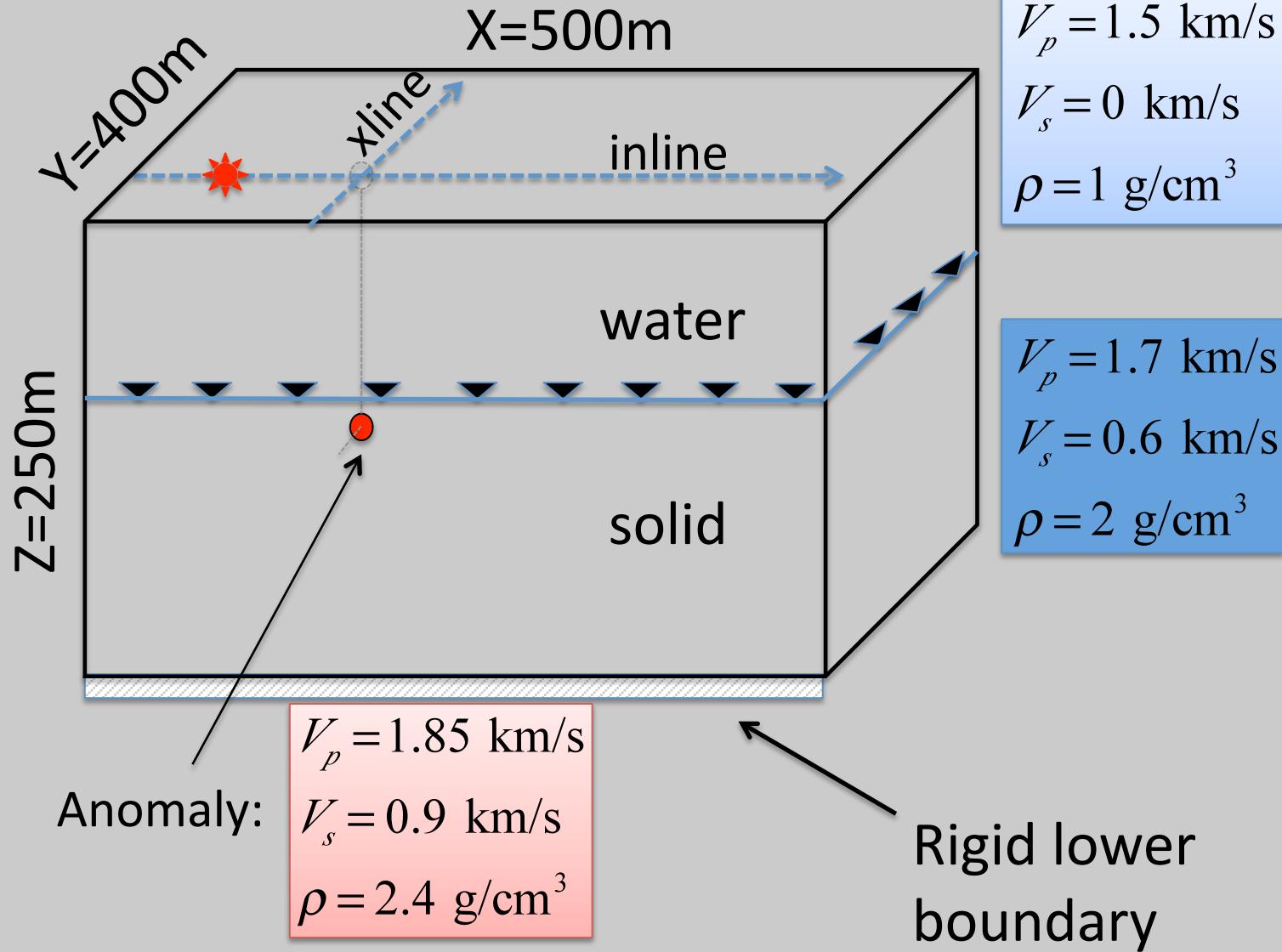
$v_x, v_y, v_z$  Meters/sec (geophone)

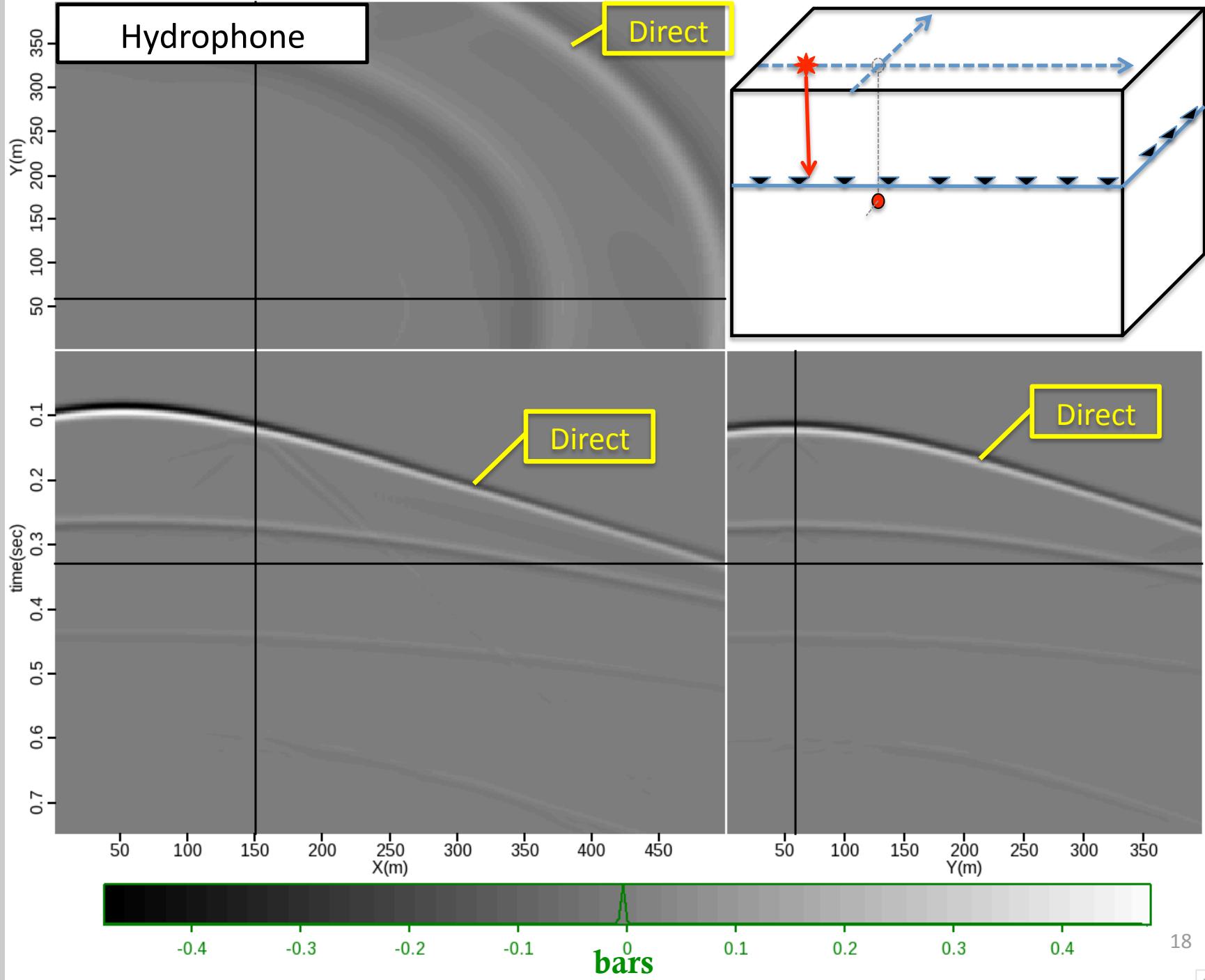
$$P = (\lambda + \mu) \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} \approx \nabla \cdot \vec{u} \text{ Bars (hydrophone)}$$

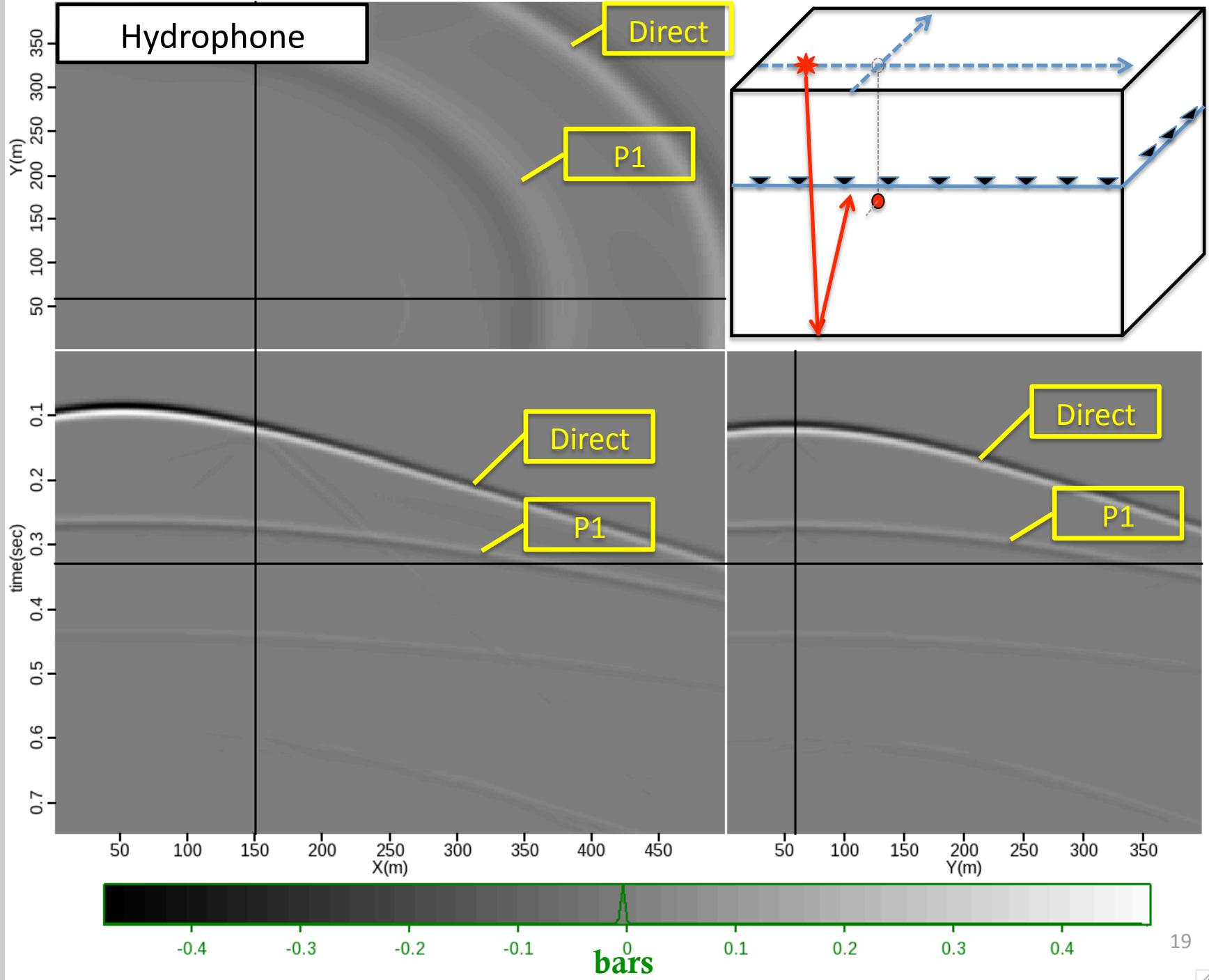
$$\theta_k = \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right)_{k \neq i, j} = \nabla \times \vec{u} \text{ Radians}$$

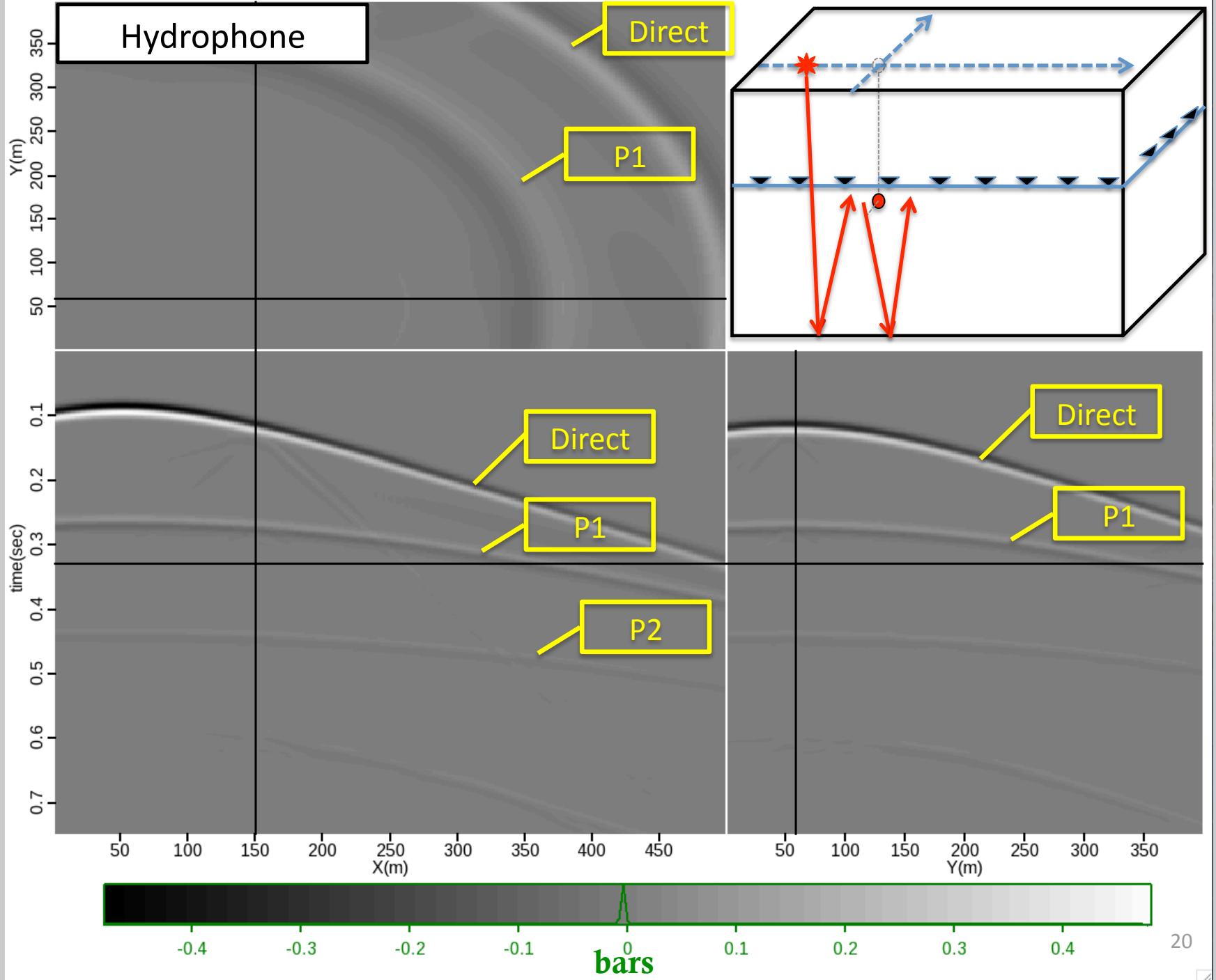
$$\vec{R} = \frac{d\vec{\theta}}{dt} \text{ Radians/sec (rotation sensor)}$$

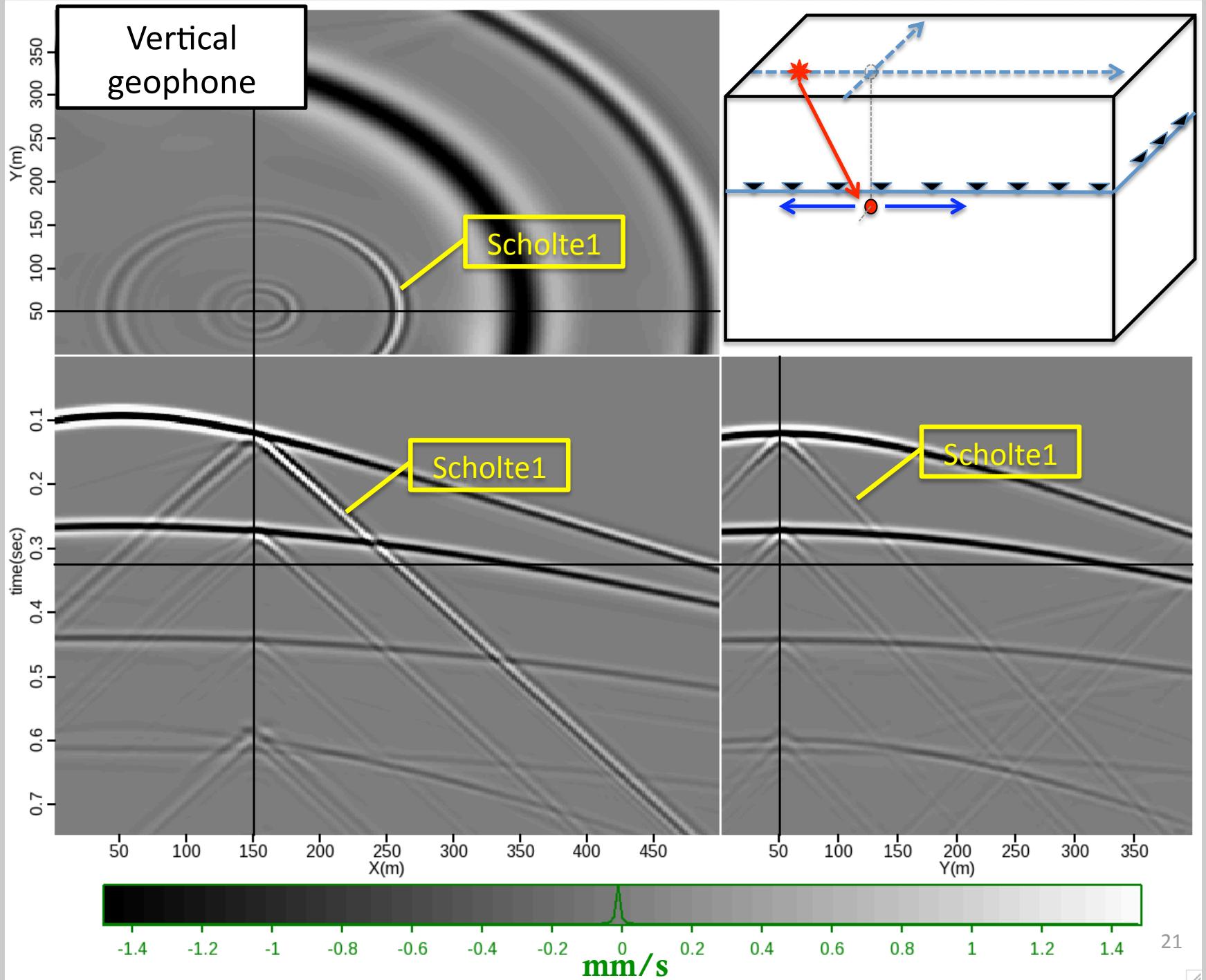
# Modeling setup

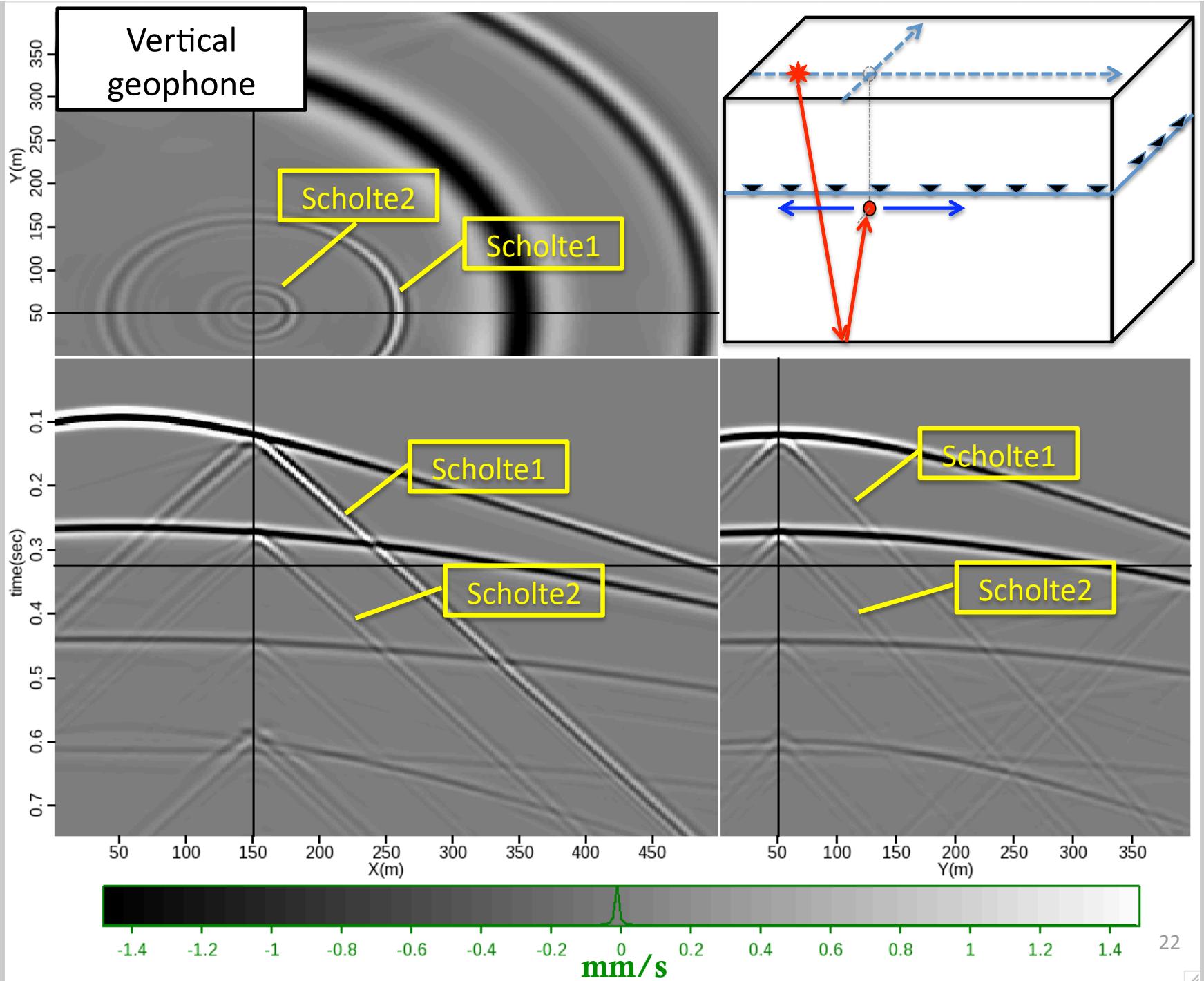


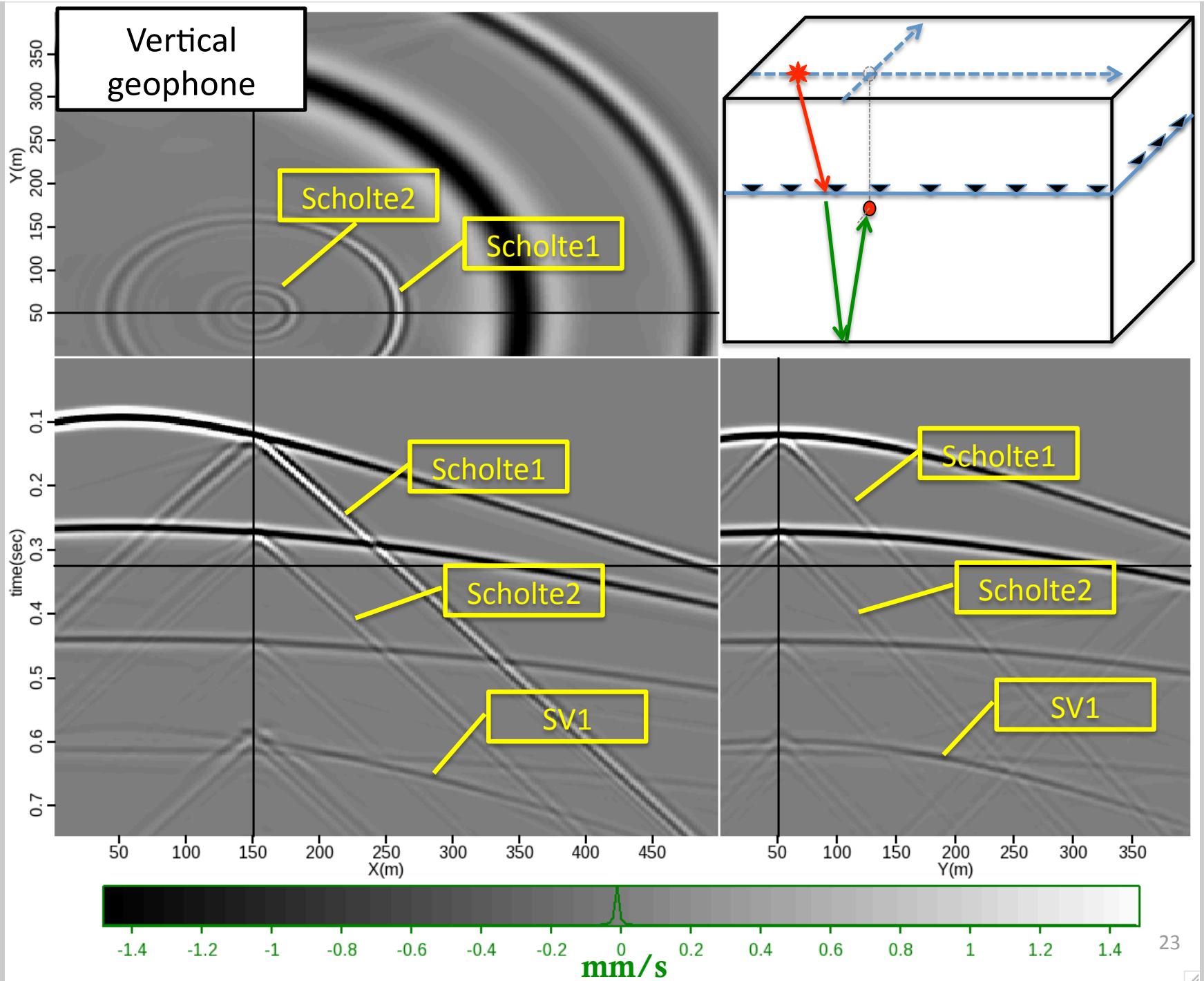


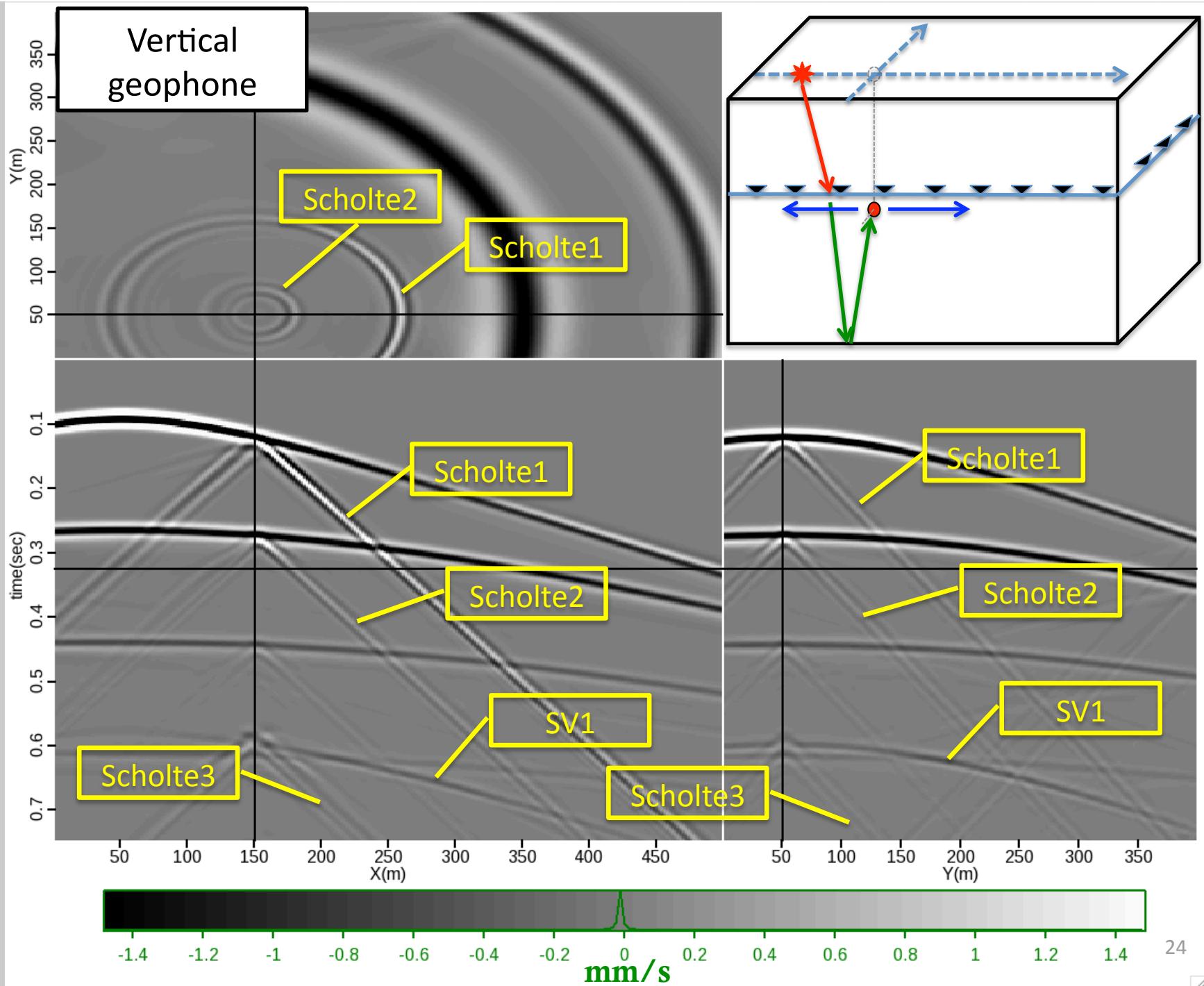


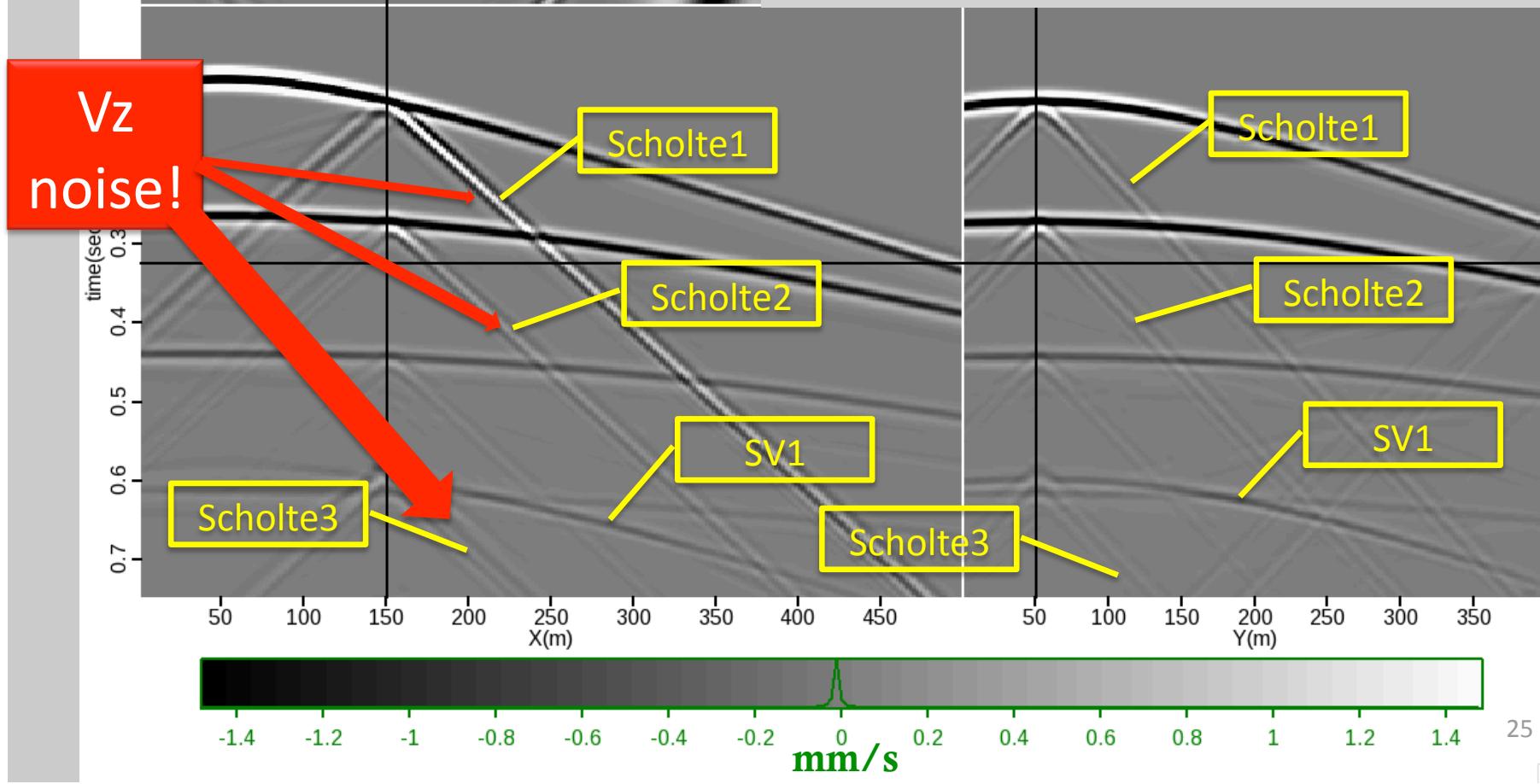
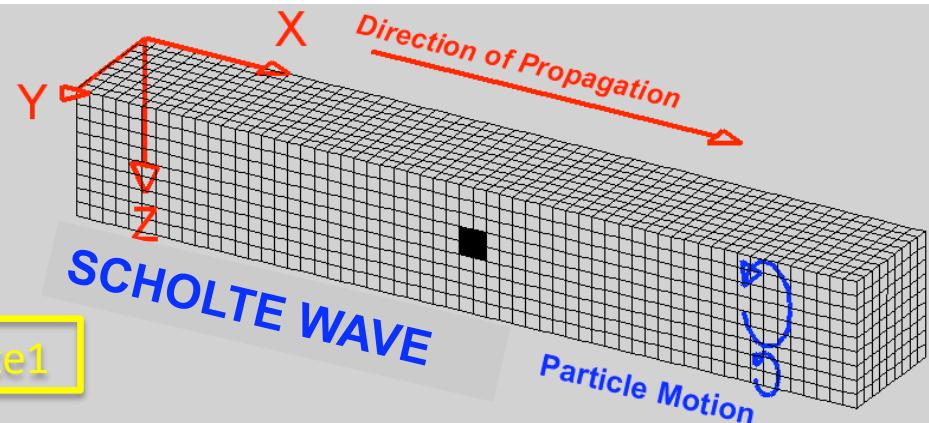
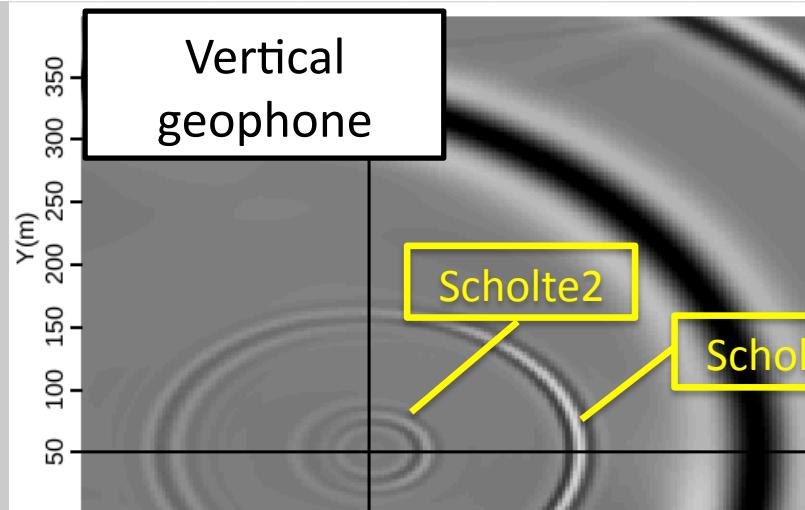


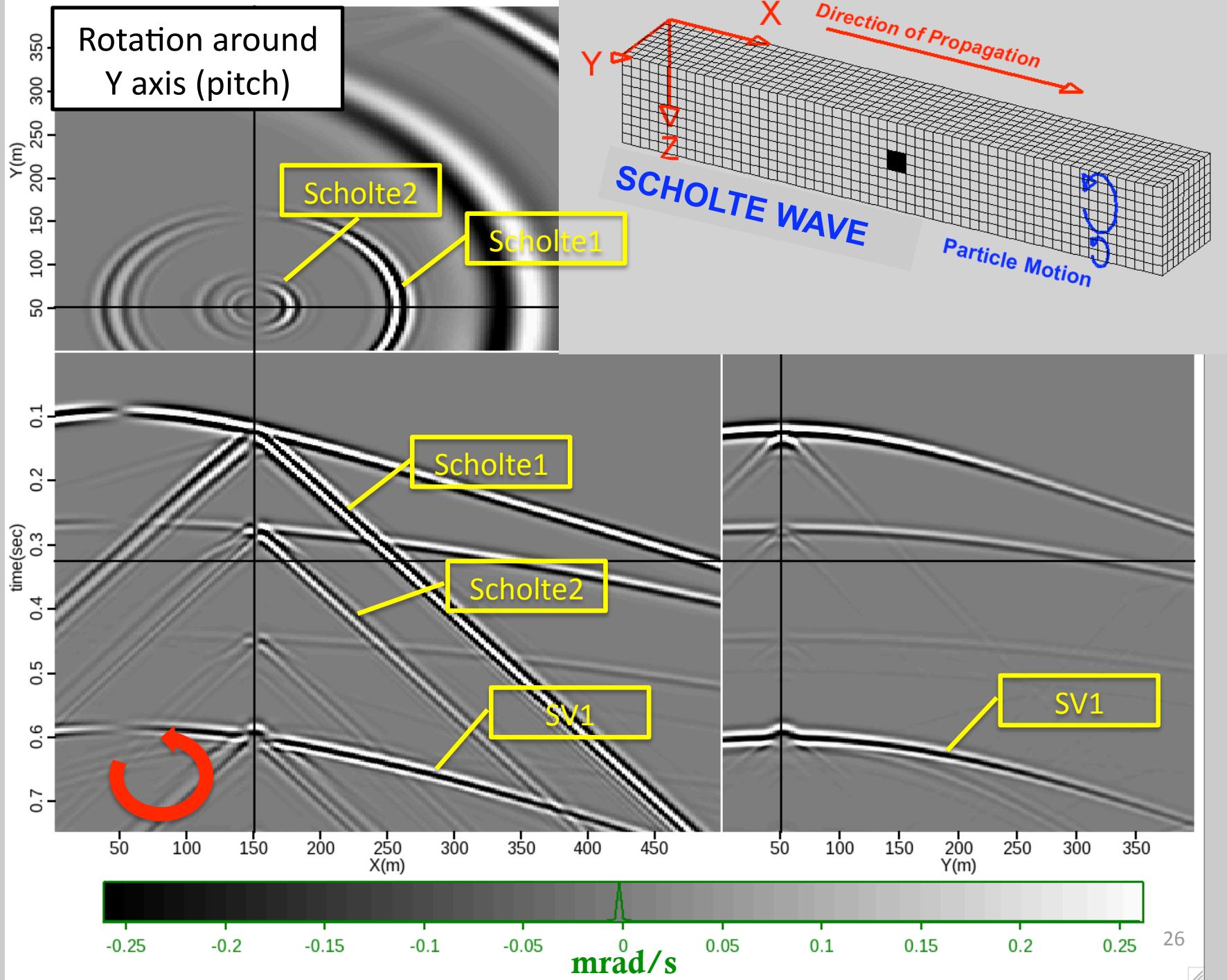


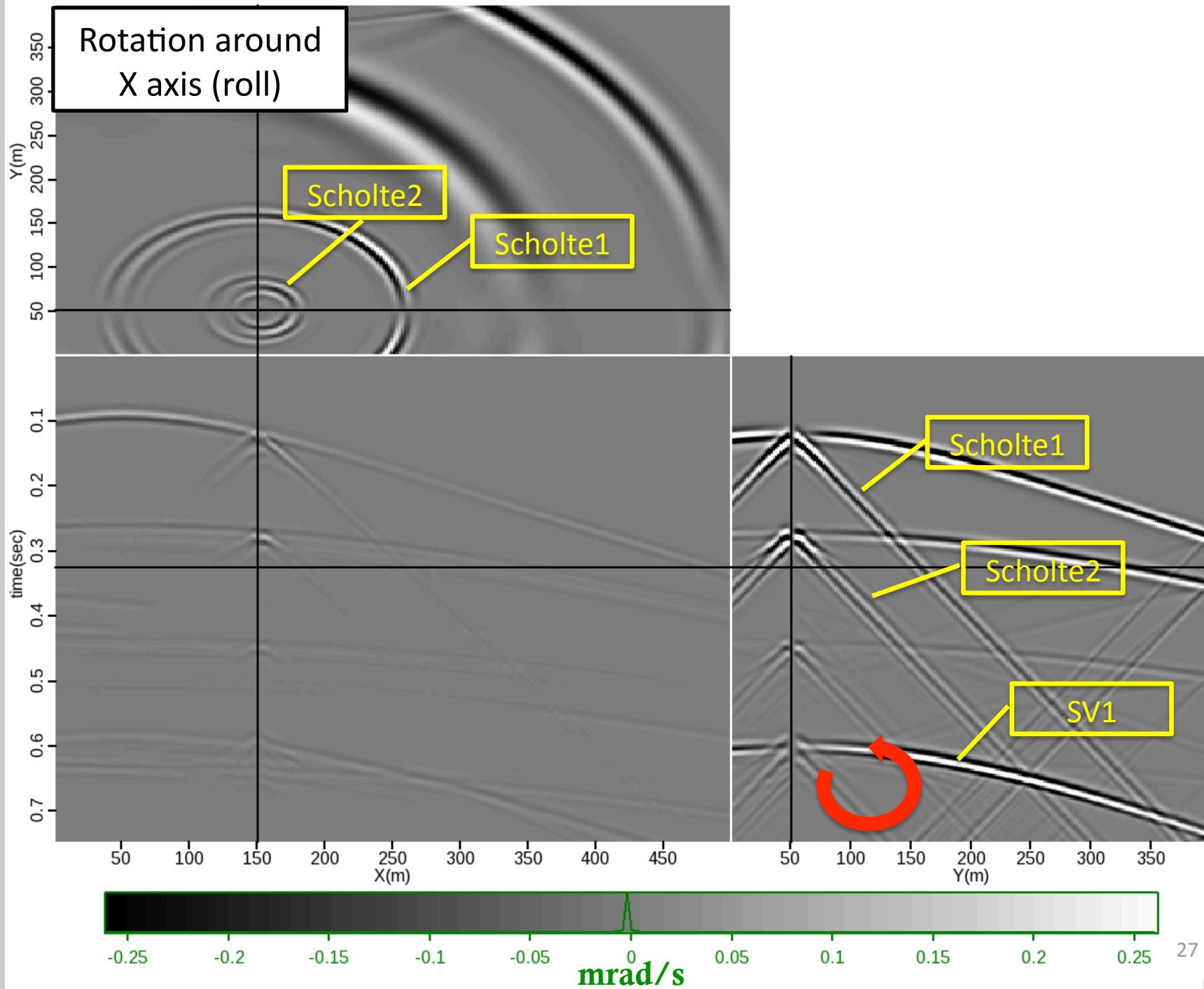


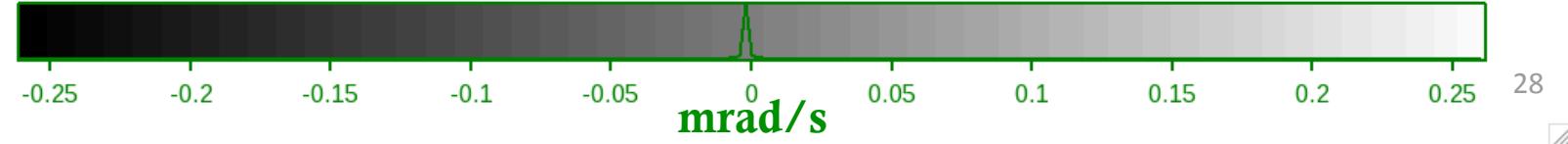
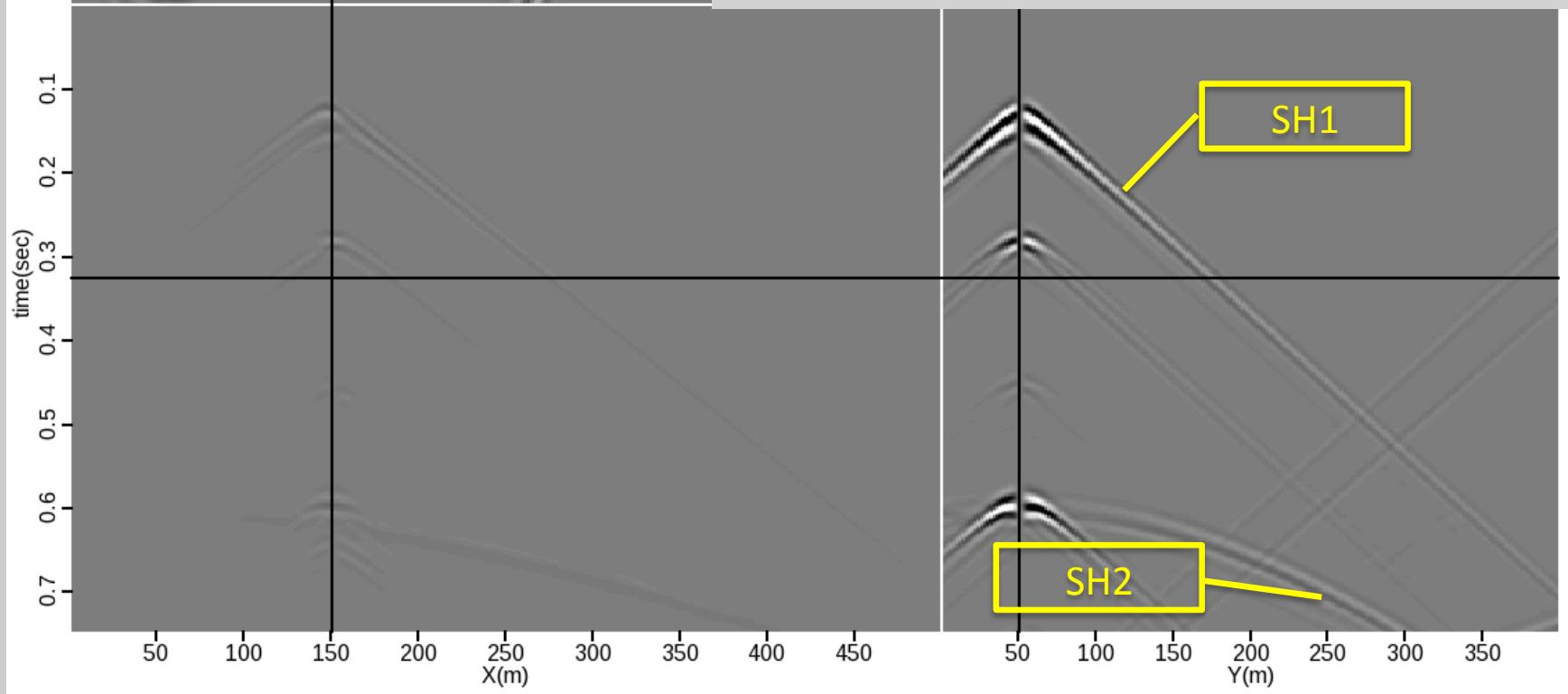
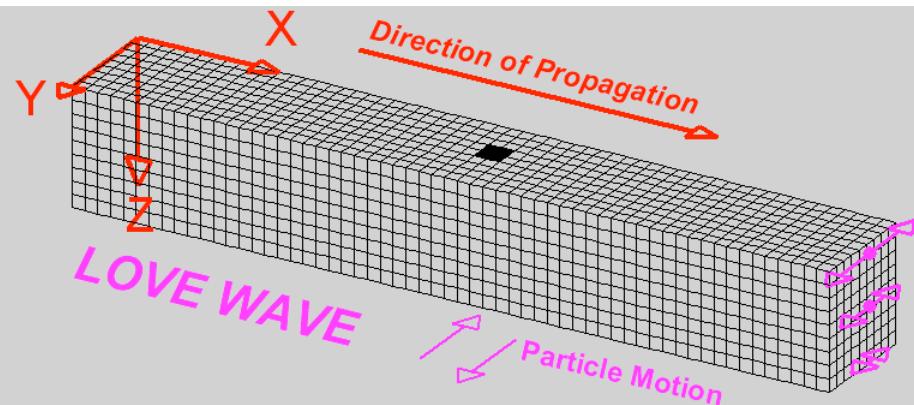
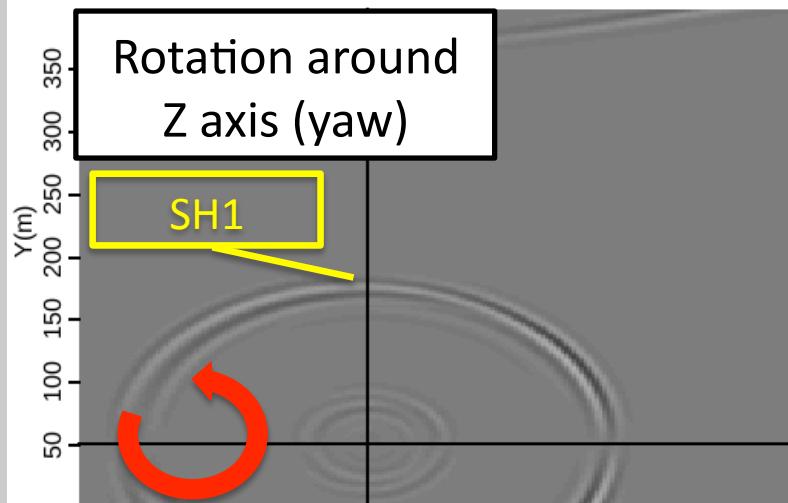






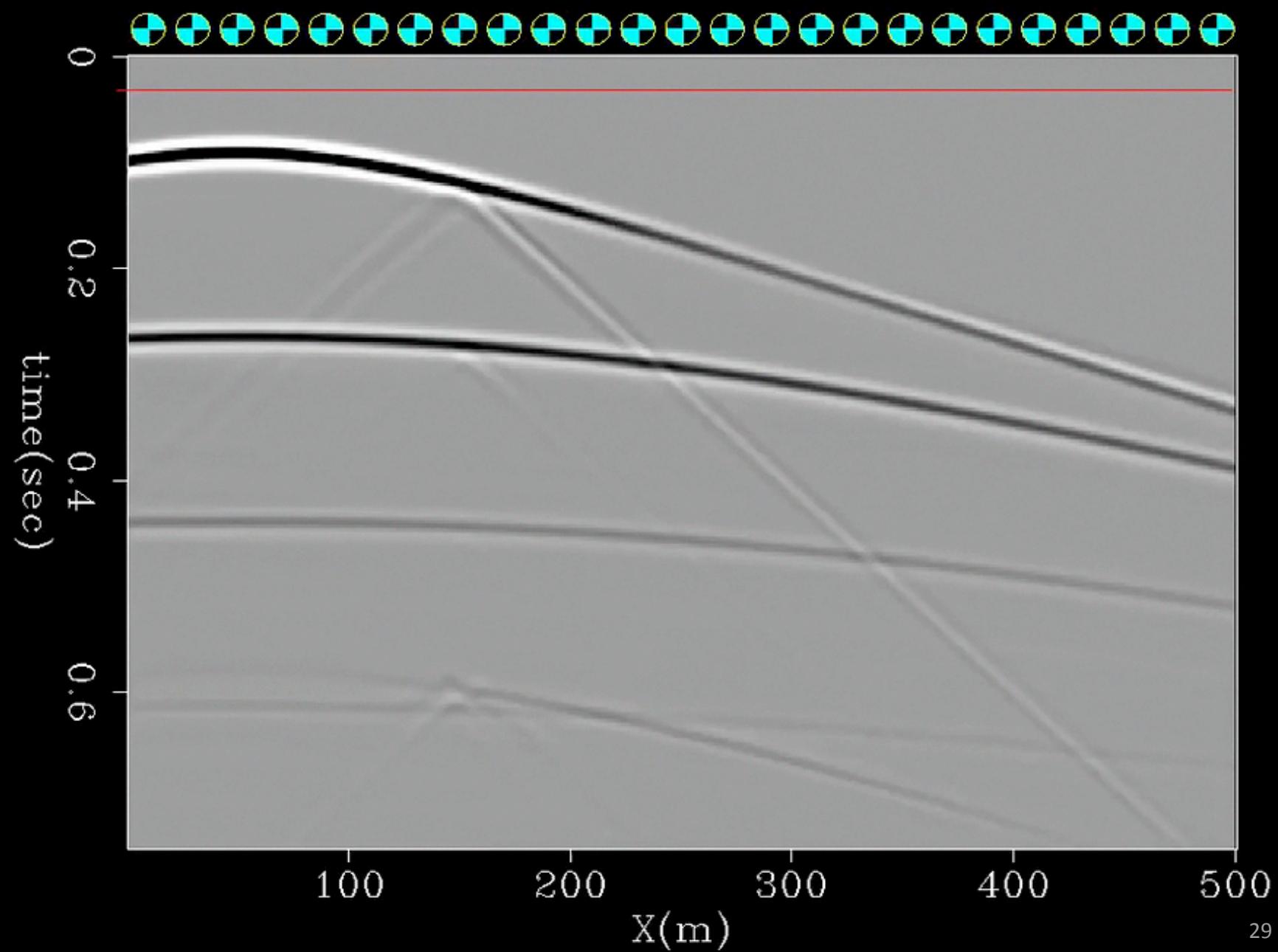






Vz

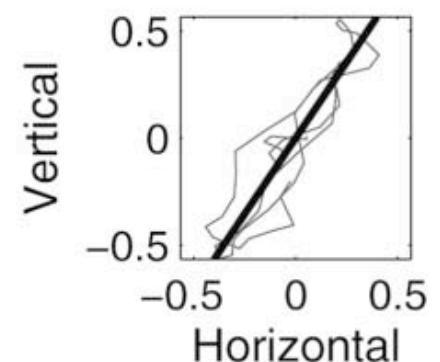
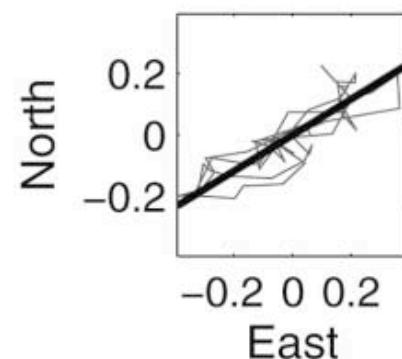
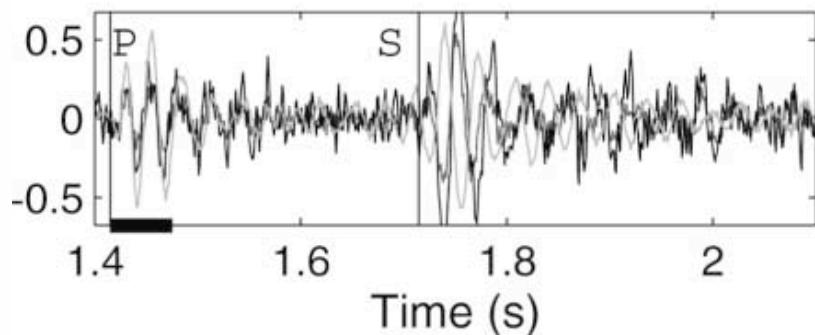
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# SVD of three components

De Meersman et al., 2006,  
“Signal Extraction and Automated Polarization Analysis of  
Multicomponent Array Data.”

Singular value decomposition applied to 3C geophone data



# SVD of seven components

Data: seven-component seismogram (single trace)

$$D = [h(t), v_z(t), v_x(t), v_y(t), r_z(t), r_x(t), r_y(t)]$$

$$t \in [T_1, T_N]$$

SVD:  $D = U \Sigma V^T$

Decompose a time-window from a 7C trace into:

- Waveform  $U$
- Magnitude  $\Sigma$
- Polarization  $V$

# SVD of seven components

SVD:  $D = U \Sigma V^T$

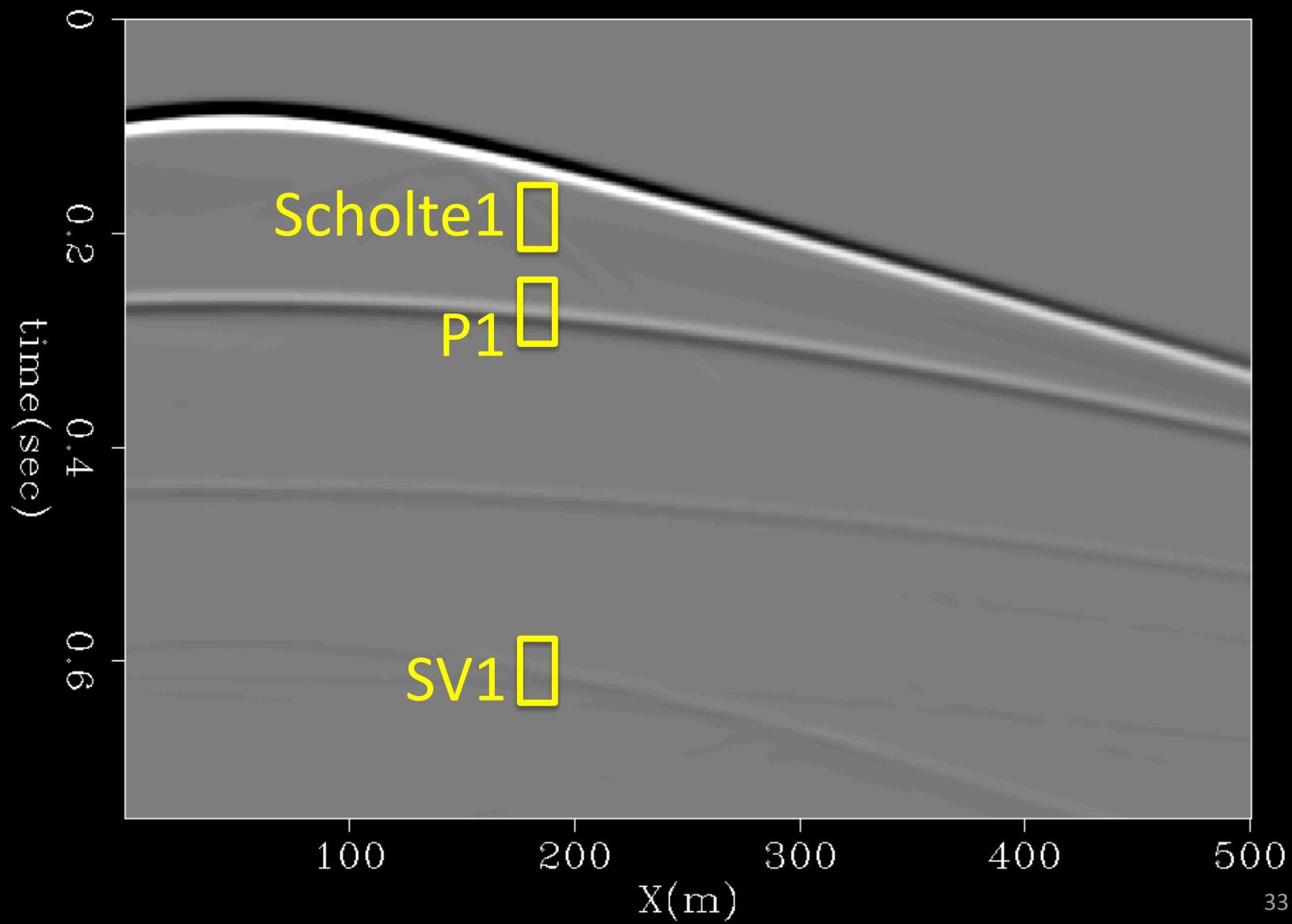
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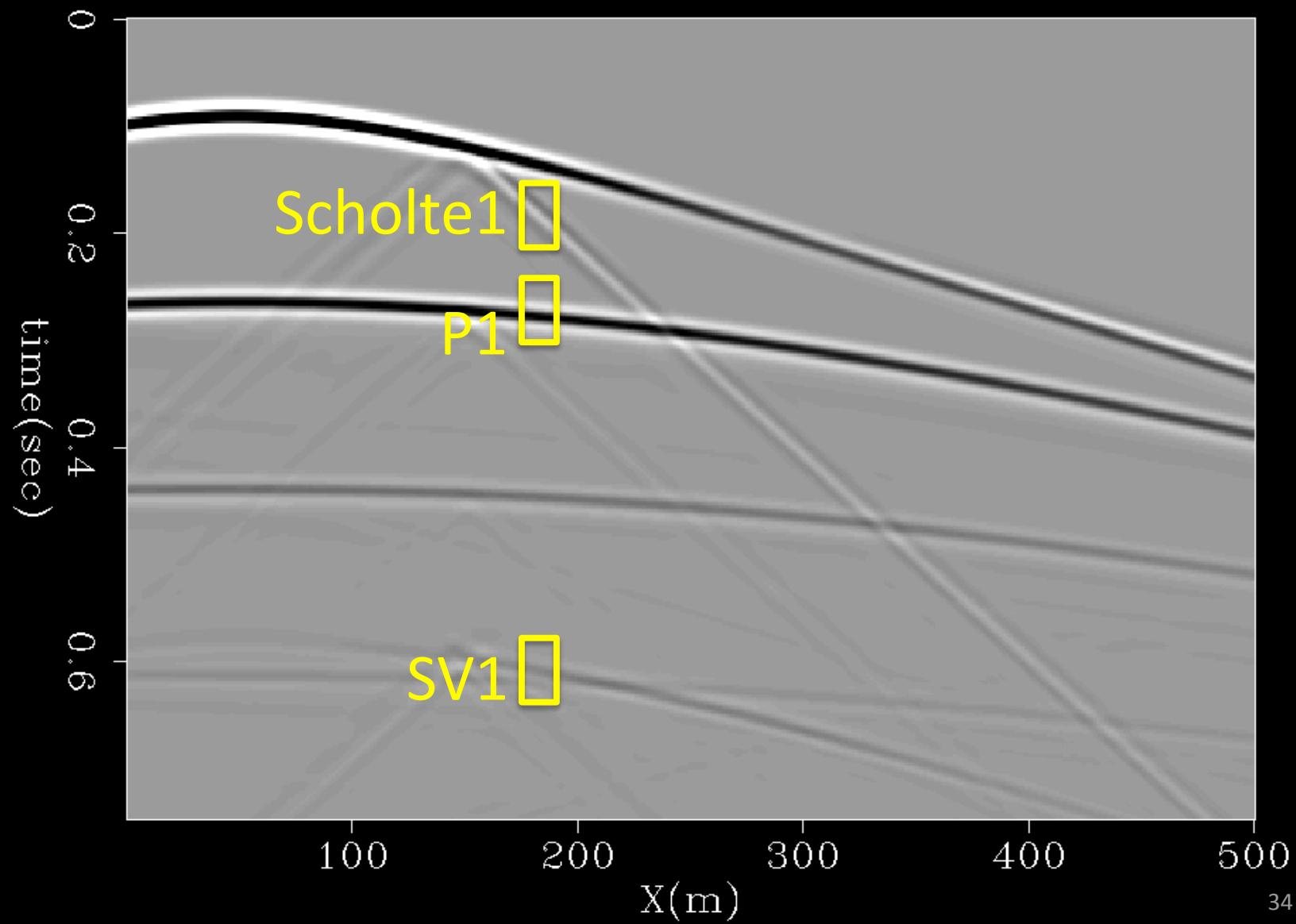
Scaled  
polarization vectors:  $S = \Sigma V^T$

Two largest  
polarization vectors:  
 $s_{j,1} = \sigma_1 v_{j,1}$   
 $s_{j,2} = \sigma_2 v_{j,2}$

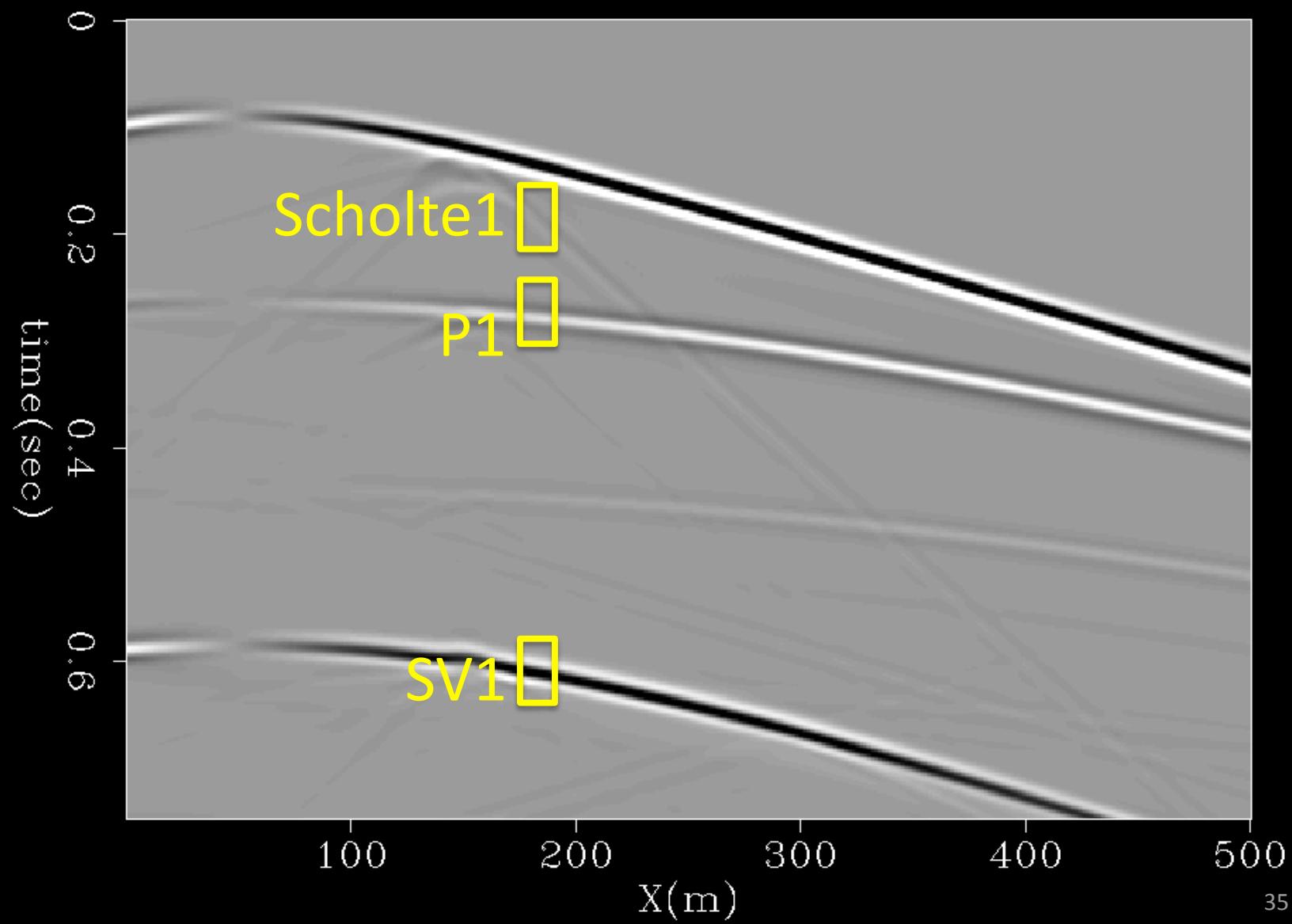
# Inline hydrophone



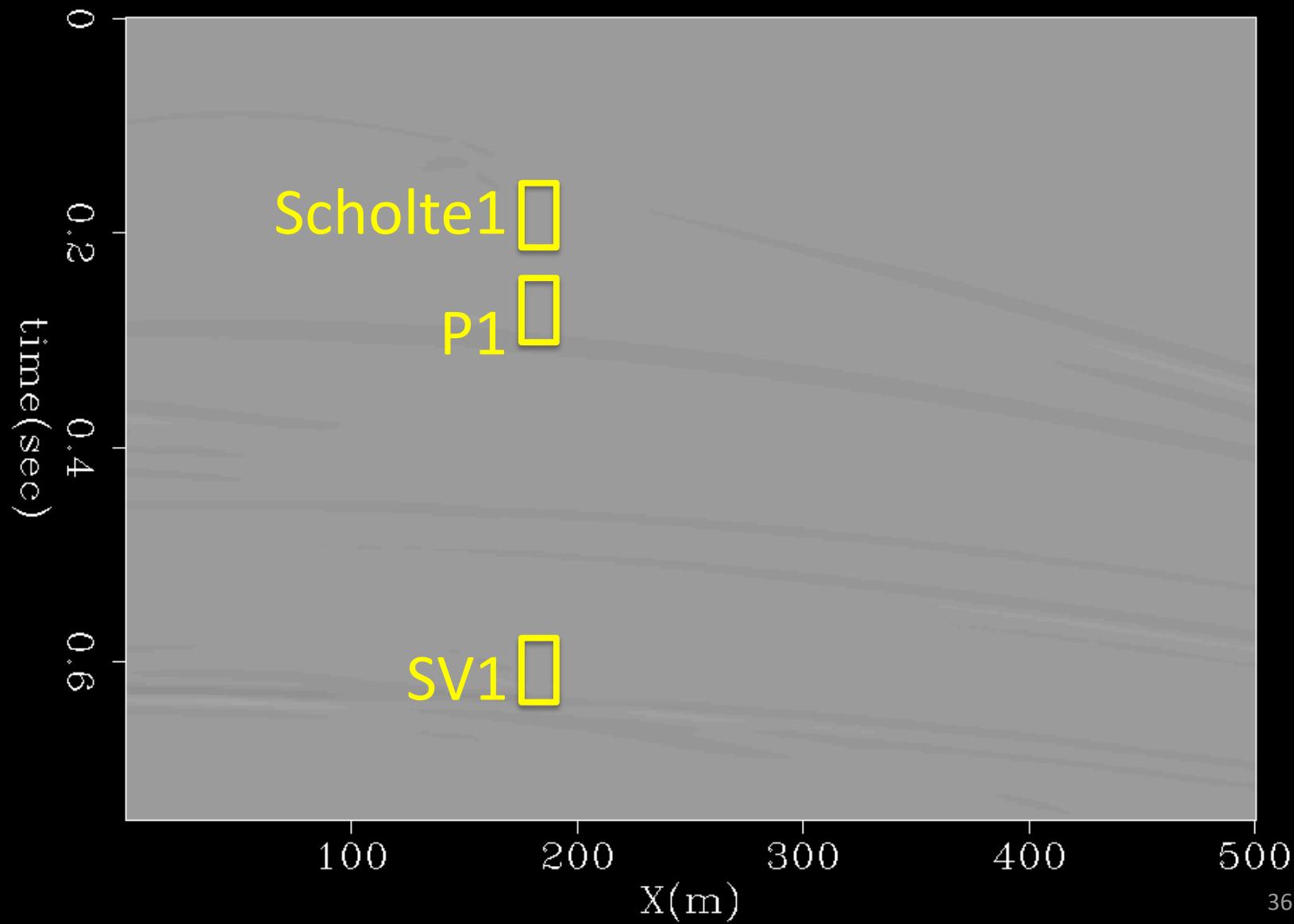
# Inline vertical geophone



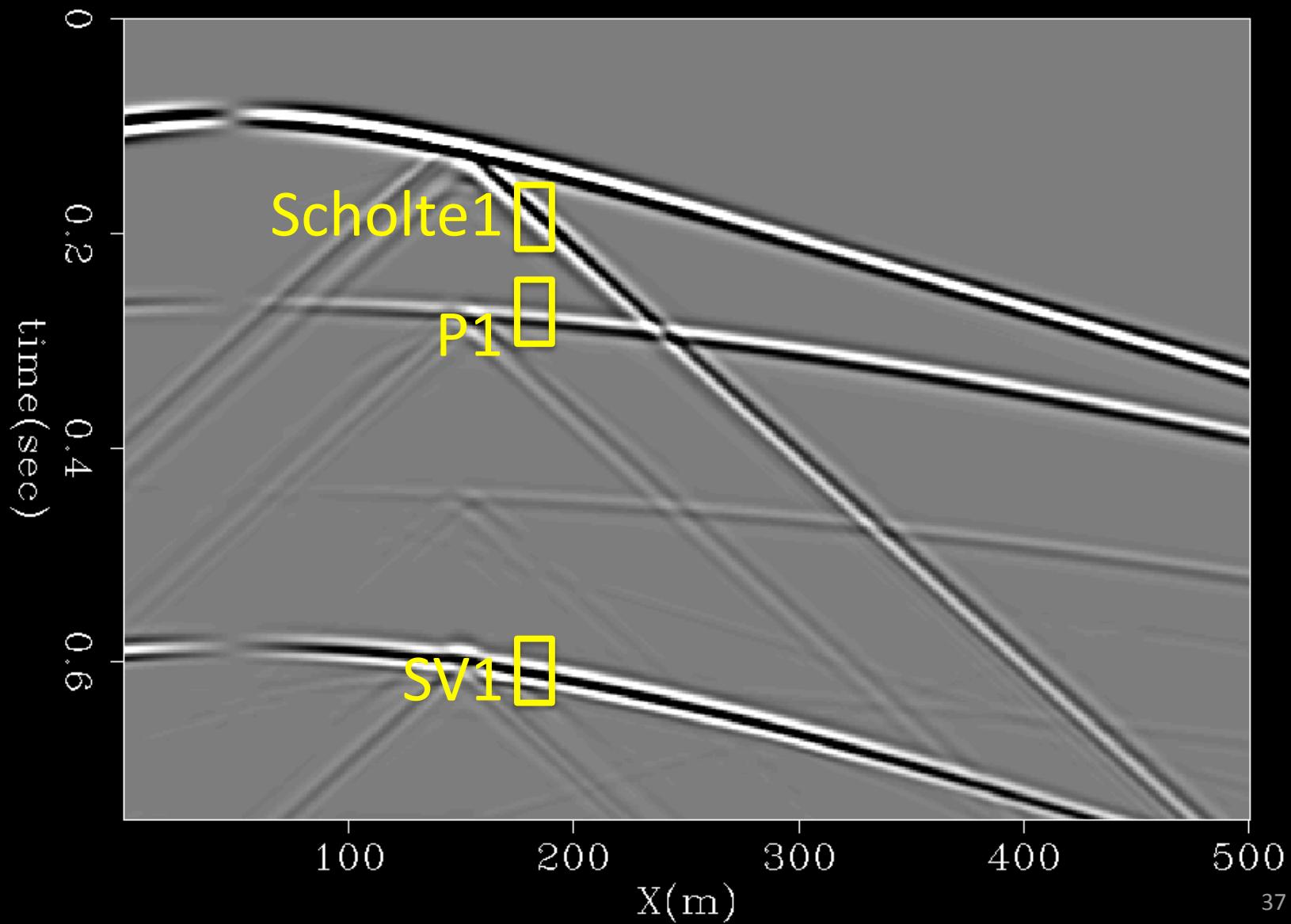
# Inline horizontal 'X' geophone



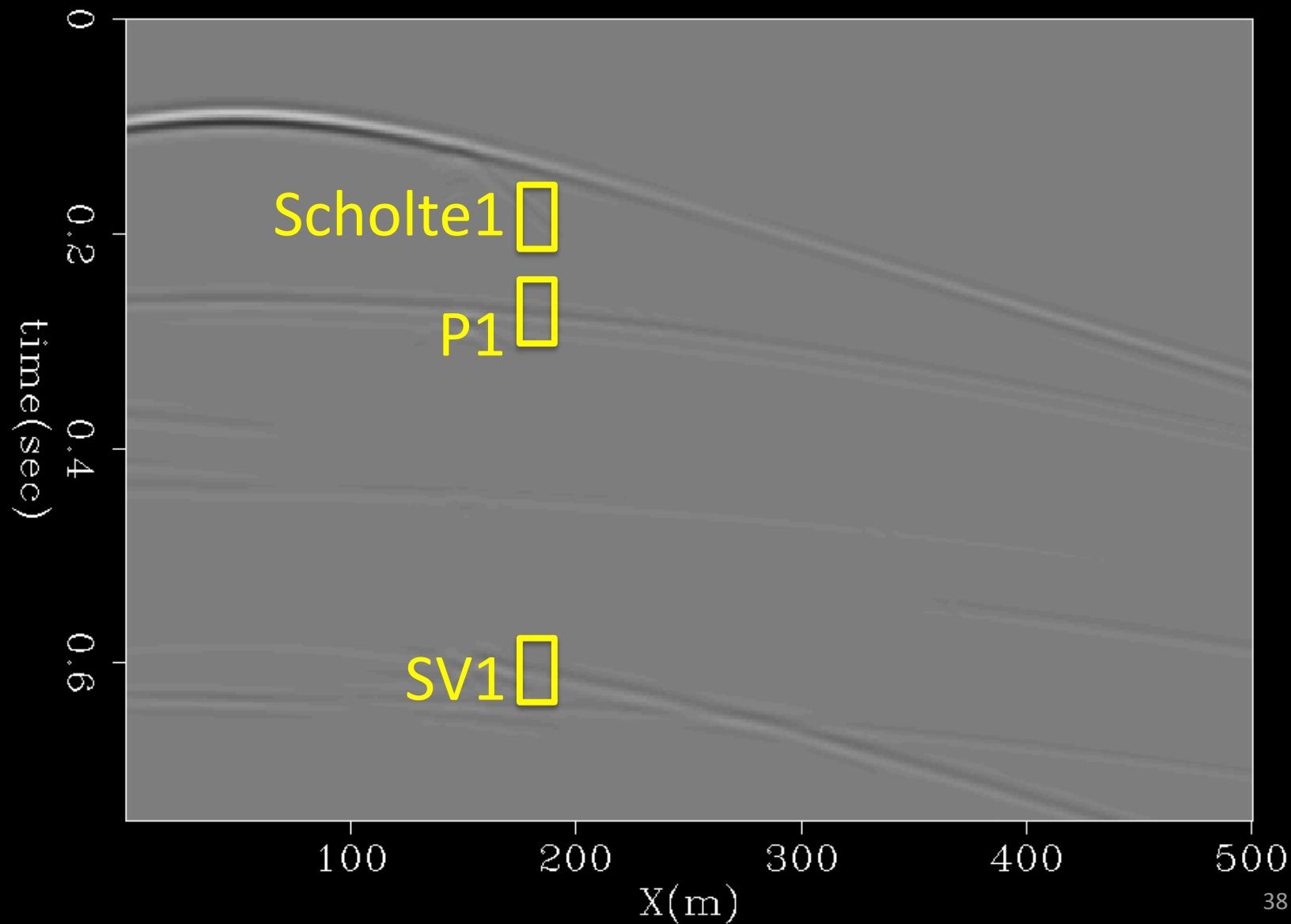
# Inline horizontal ‘Y’ geophone



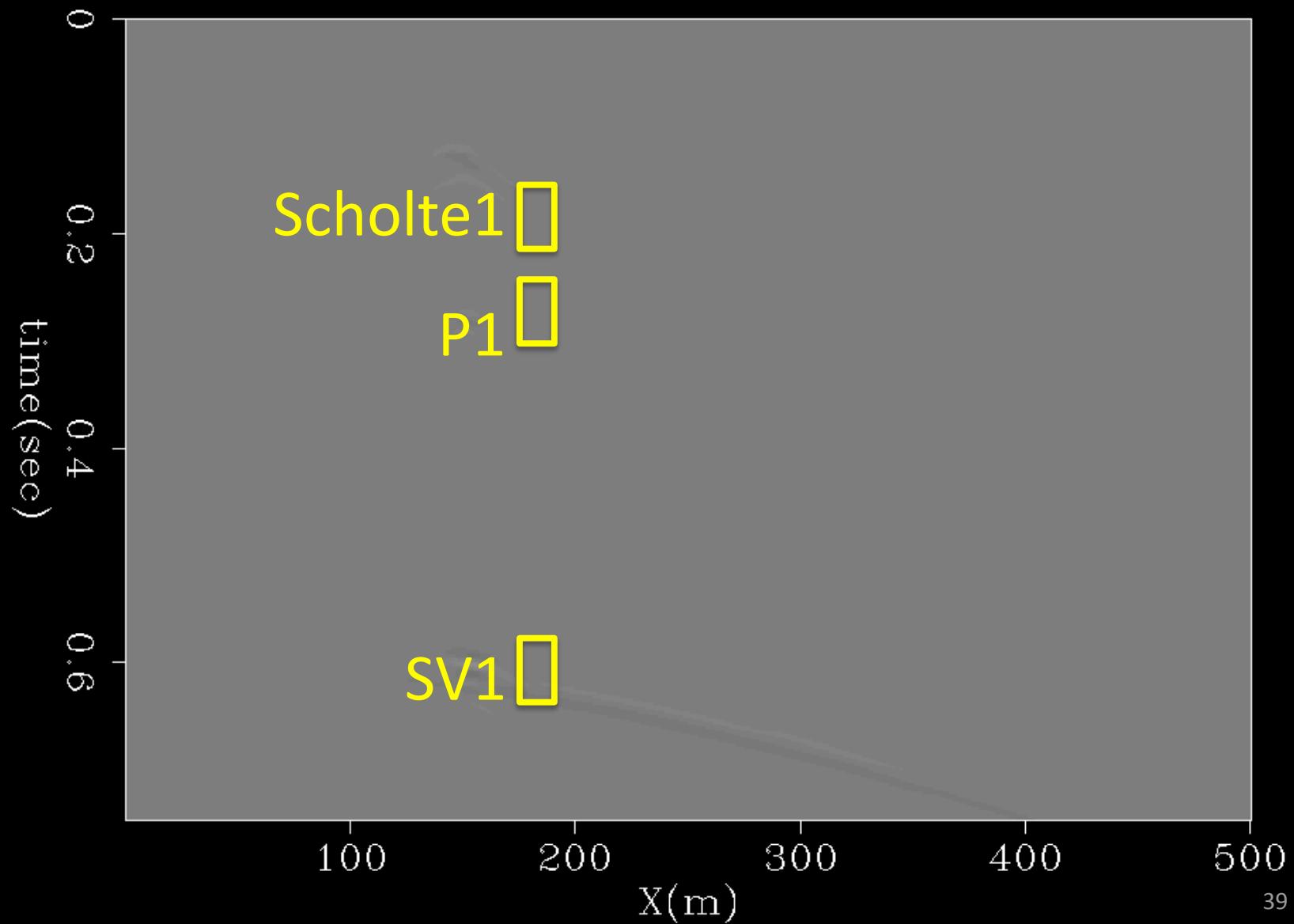
# Inline pitch (rotation around Y)



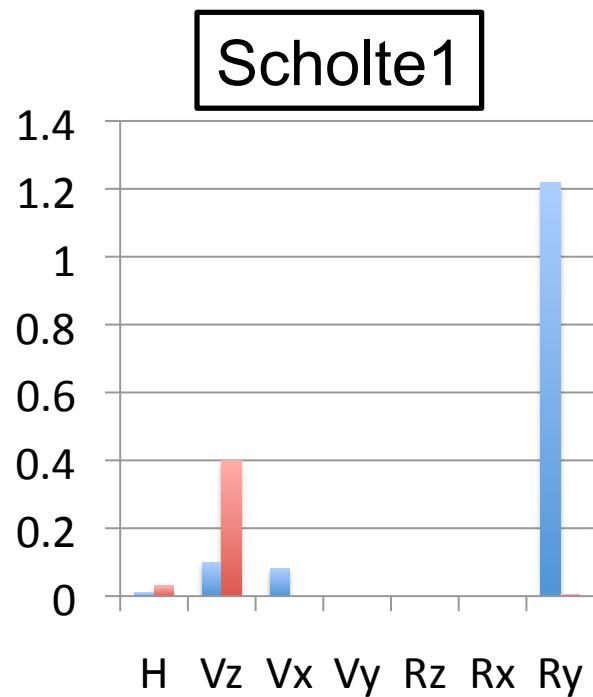
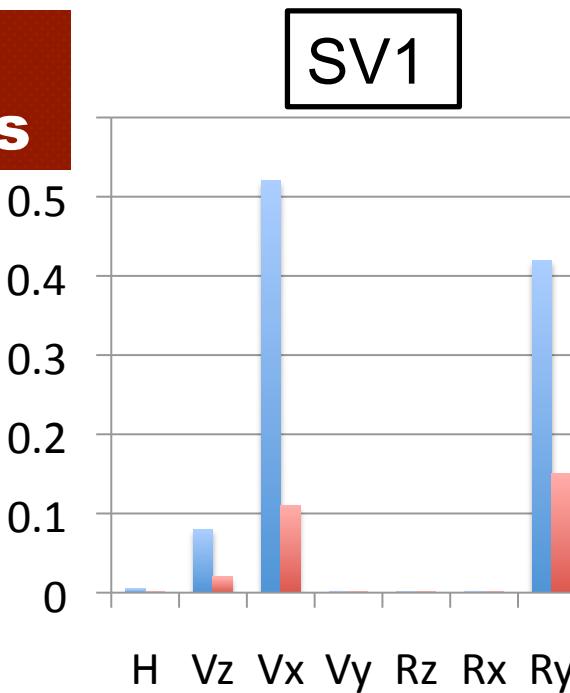
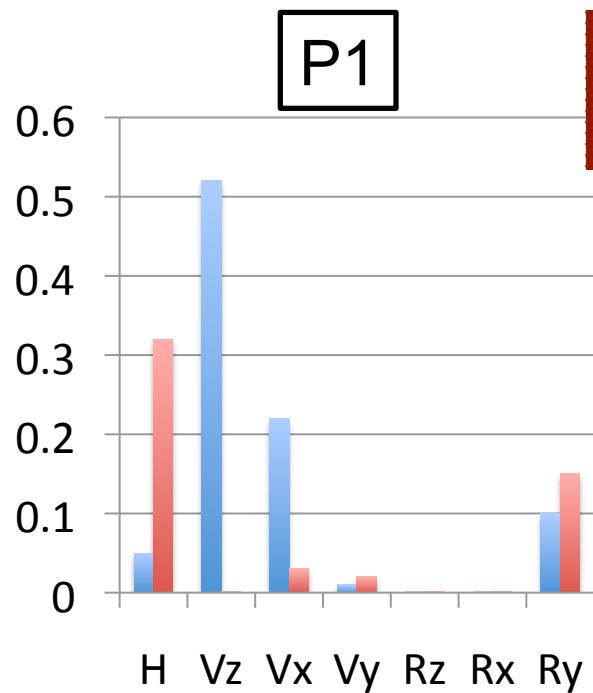
# Inline roll (rotation around X)



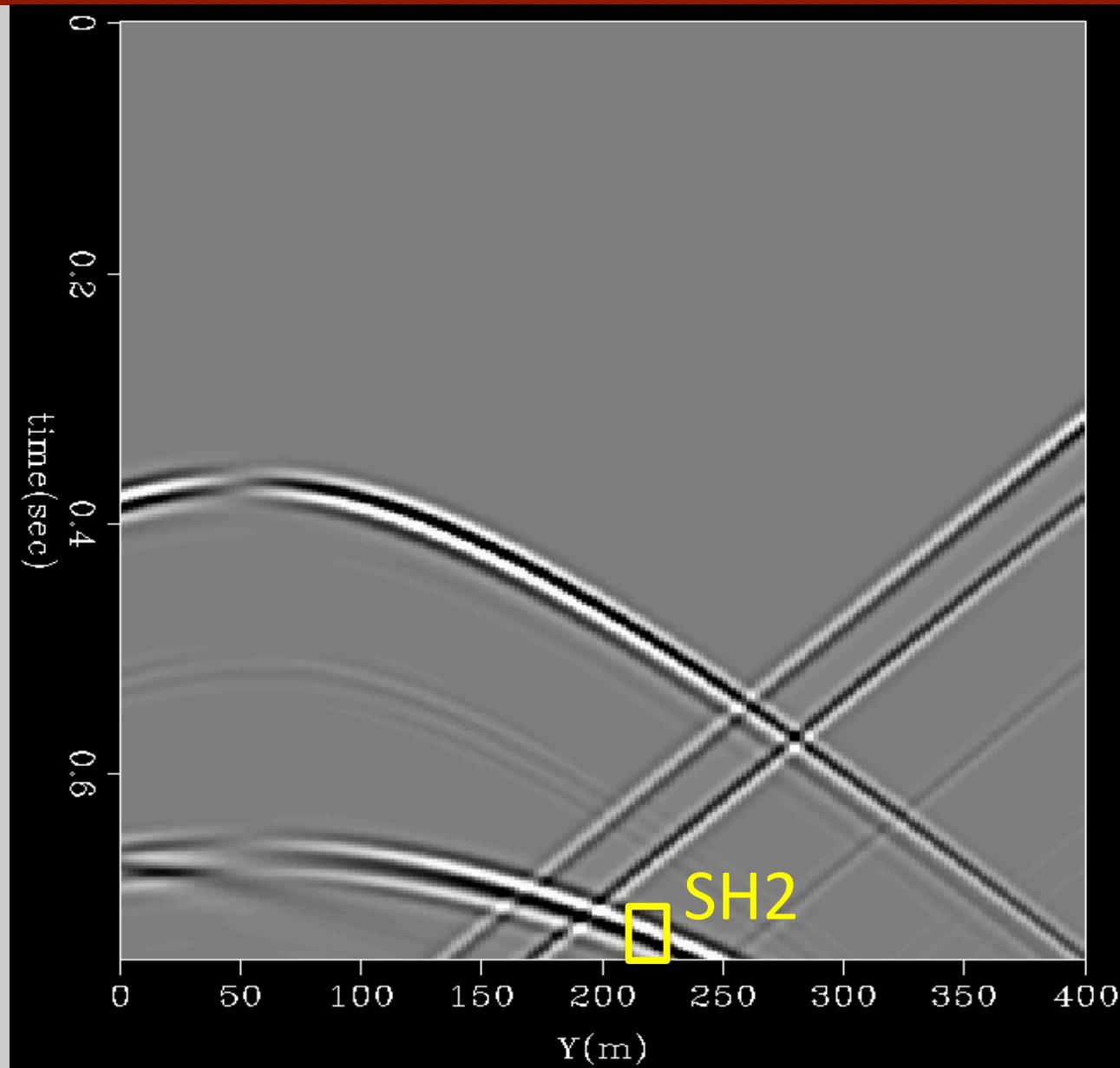
# Inline yaw (rotation around Z)



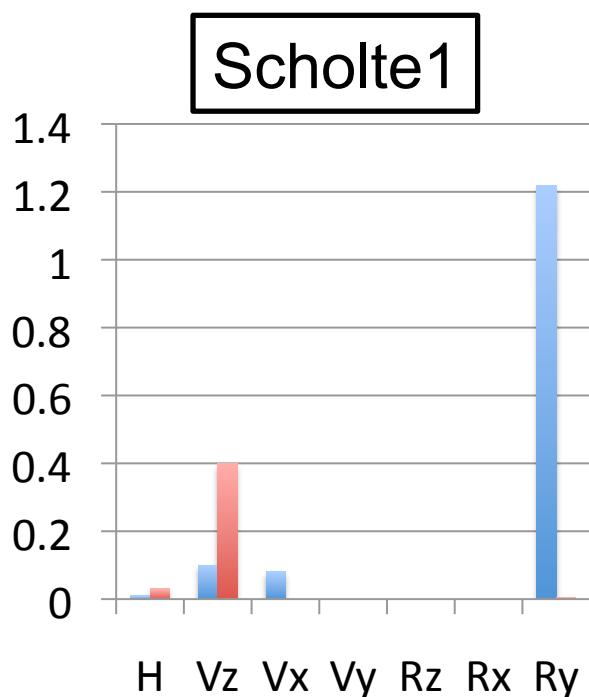
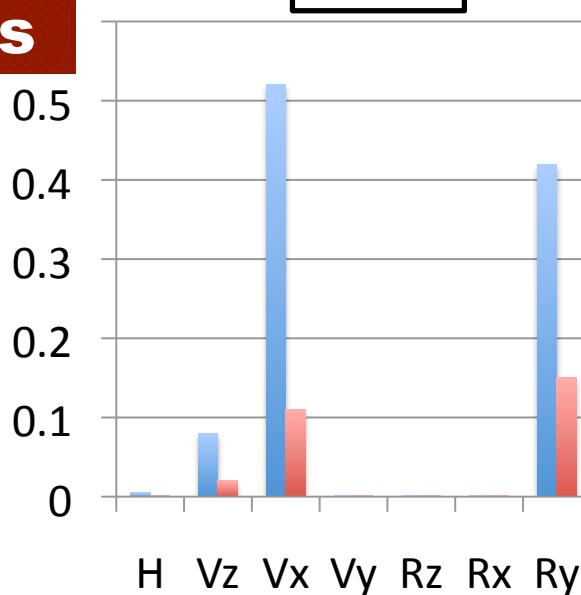
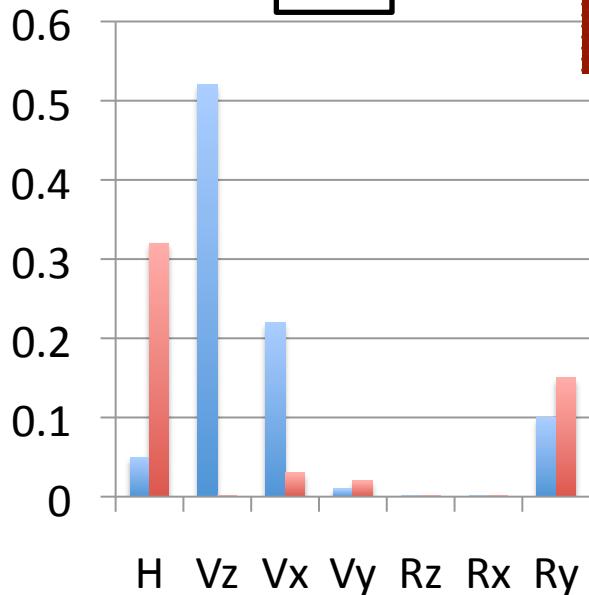
# Wave signatures



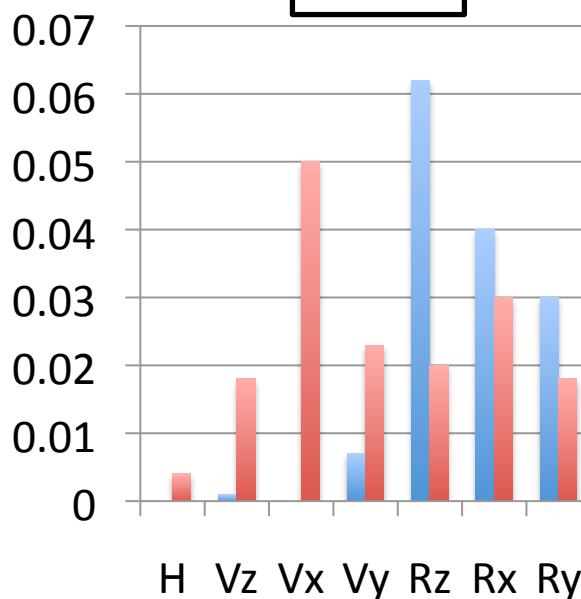
# crossline yaw (rotation around Z)



# Wave signatures



- Polarization vector 1
- polarization vector 2



- Polarization vector 1
- polarization vector 2

# Conclusions

In seven-component data:

- Different wave types have different signatures
- Body waves are distinguishable from surface waves



Vz noise

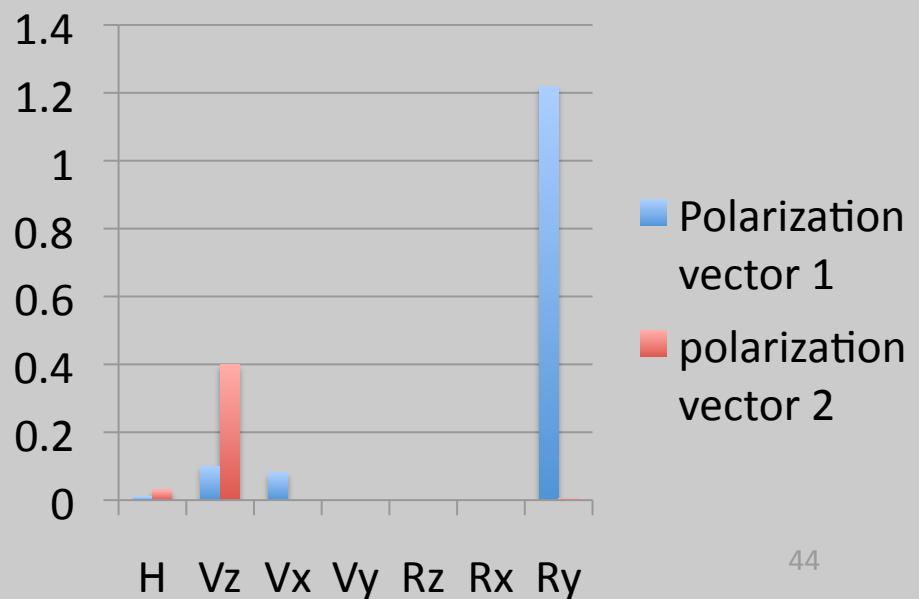
- Rotation gives us a handle on the Vz noise.
- Filtering rotations = filtering Vz noise

# Identification → Attenuation

After SVD:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Waveform} & U \\ \text{Magnitude} & \Sigma \\ \text{Polarization} & V \end{array} \quad D = U \Sigma V^T$$

1. Identify where the polarization is highly rotational
2. Weight down the largest singular values
3. Recompose the data



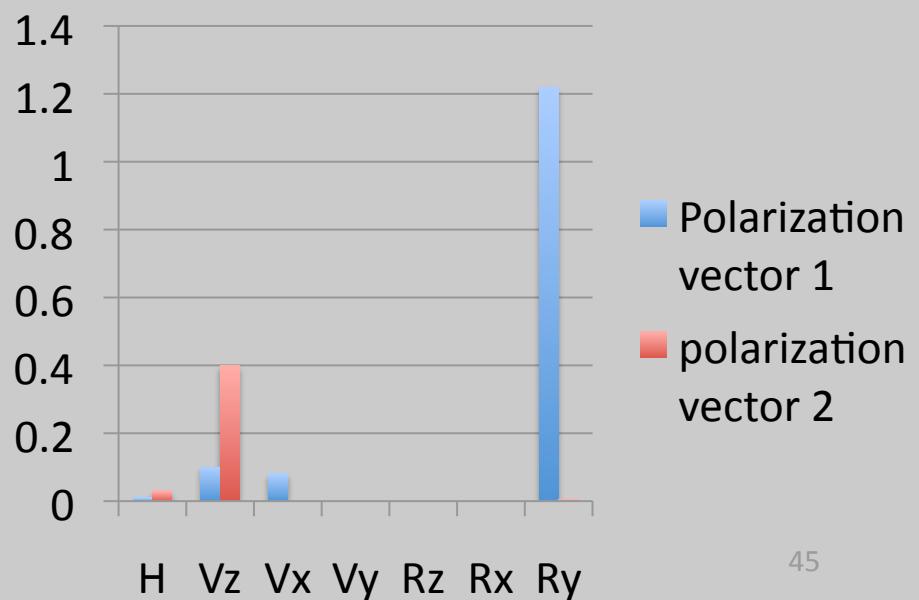
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Merge into workflow that also considers moveout.

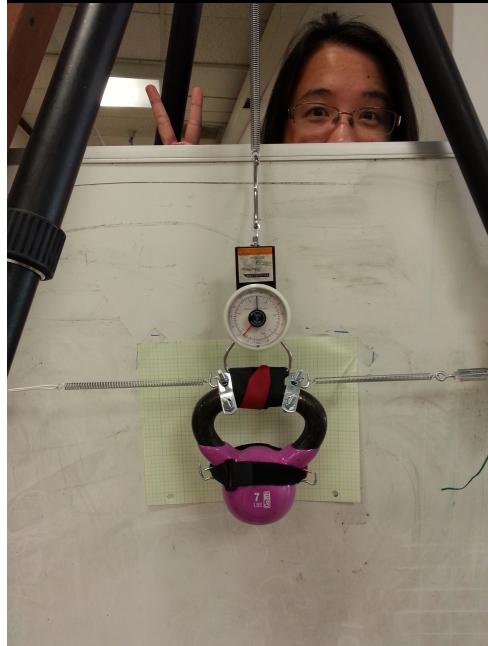


# Conclusions

Please provide me with rotation data!



$t = 0.022$



Thanks for your support,  
and your attention.

# Six-component display

