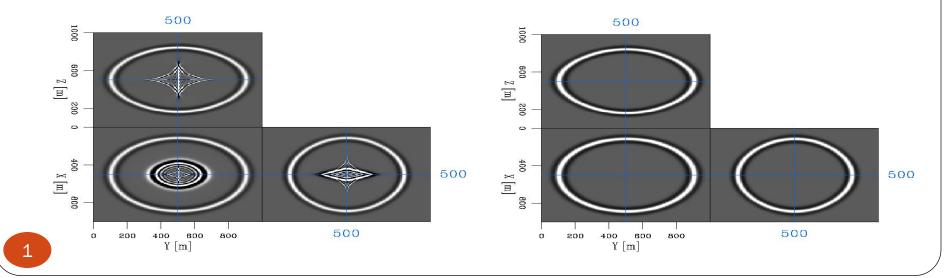
Removing Shear Artifacts in Acoustic Anisotropic Modeling

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Shear artifacts

- Exact wave equations in anisotropic media couple P and S.
- Acoustic approximation: setting S-velocity along symmetry axes to 0 (Alkhalifah, 1998)
- S-velocity is not 0 everywhere (Grechka et al., 2004).

Existing methods

- 1. Put the source in isotropic region (Alkhalifah, 1998)
 - Limited application
 - Converted shear artifacts
- 2. In VTI, use finite shear velocity (Fletcher et al., 2004)
 - What shear velocity to choose?
 - Real shear wave
- 3. Factorize the dispersion relation (majority)
 - Applicable with source in any media
 - No shear velocity choice

Proposed method

- Factorize dispersion relation to decouple P and S
- Dispersion relation in VTI:
 cubic = quadratic of P and SV + linear of SH
- \Rightarrow factorization can be done analytically.
- Similar to elastic wave mode separation (Dellinger and Etgen, 1990; Yan and Sava, 2009)
- In orthorhombic: eigenvalue decomposition

Acoustic wave equations in orthorhombic media $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \boldsymbol{\sigma} = M \mathbf{D} \boldsymbol{\sigma}$ $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{11} & \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{22} & \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{33} \end{bmatrix}^T$ $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$ $M = \frac{1}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} \\ c_{12} & c_{22} & c_{23} \\ c_{13} & c_{23} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{\partial} \\ \overline{\partial} \\ \overline{\partial} \\ \mathbf{D} \end{bmatrix}$

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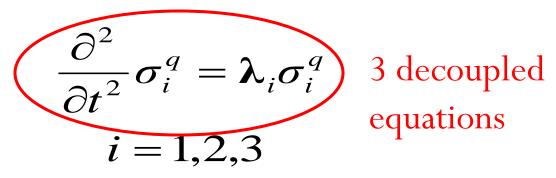
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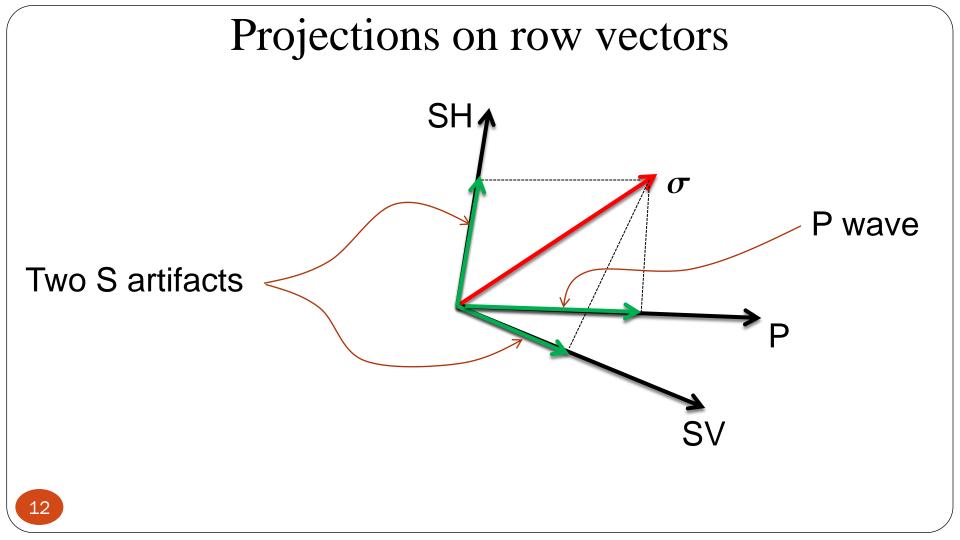
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$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \sigma_i^q = \lambda_i \sigma_i^q$$
$$i = 1.2.3$$

 $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \boldsymbol{\sigma} = M \mathbf{D} \boldsymbol{\sigma}$ system of 3 coupled equations $M \mathbf{D} = Q \boldsymbol{\Lambda} Q^{-1}, \ \boldsymbol{\Lambda} = diag [\boldsymbol{\lambda}_i]$

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Degenerate case: Isotropic $\lambda_1 = -k_x^2 - k_y^2 - k_z^2$: Laplacian $\lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = 0$ $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{q} = \begin{bmatrix} p \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} : \text{ pressure}$

Proposed method: use **eigenvalues** as propagators (elastic wave mode separation: projection on **eigenvectors**)

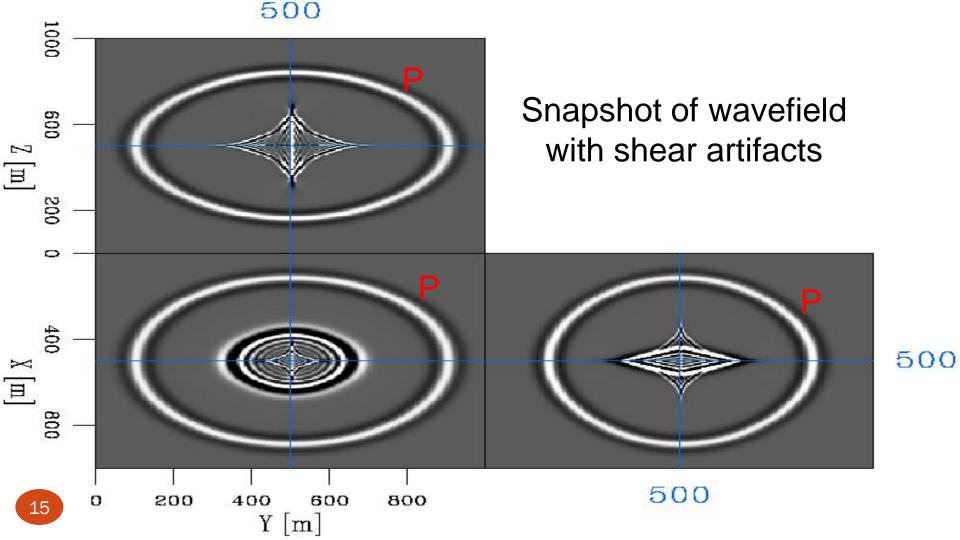
Wavenumber domain method

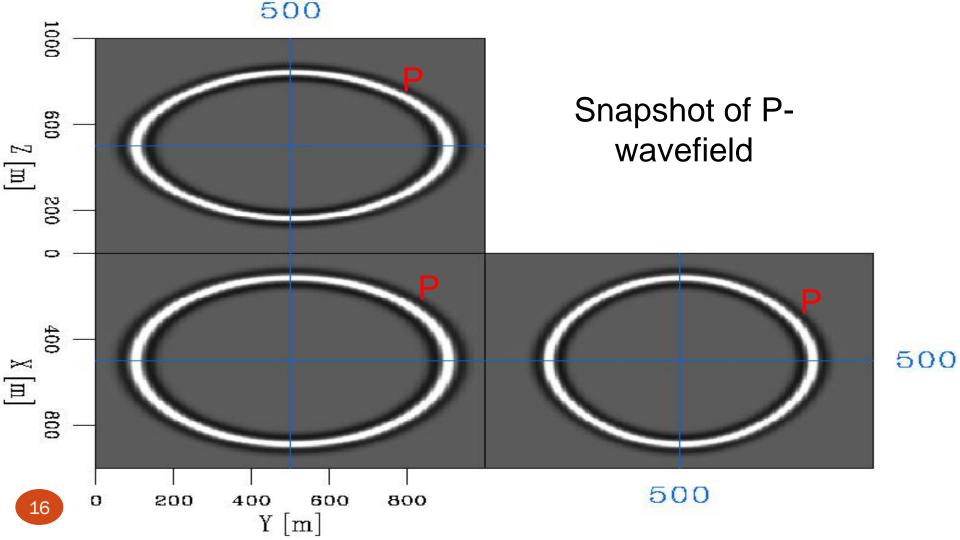
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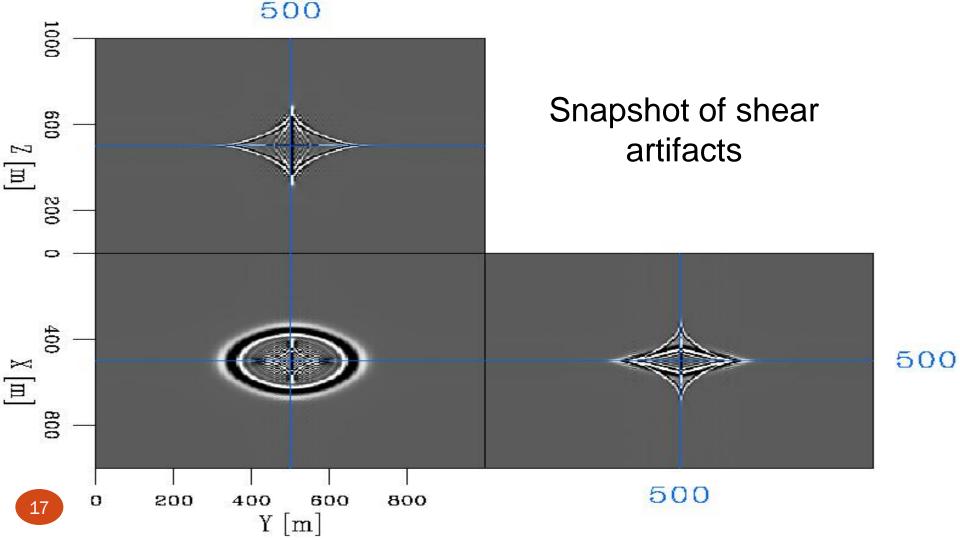
Choose eigenvalue corresponding to P-wave

Option 1:
$$p(x) \rightarrow \widetilde{p}(k)$$

 $\frac{\partial^2 \widetilde{p}}{\partial t^2} = \widetilde{\lambda}_i(k) \widetilde{p}(k)$







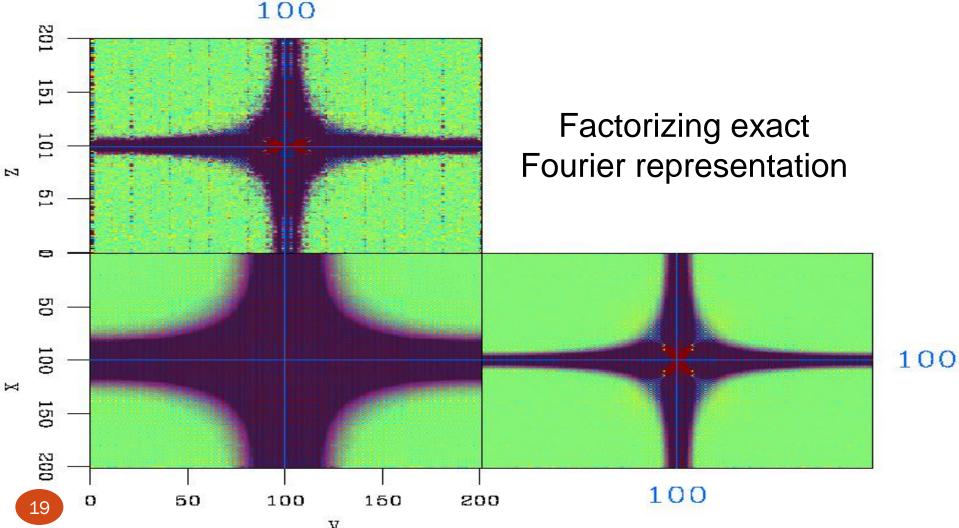
Space-time domain method

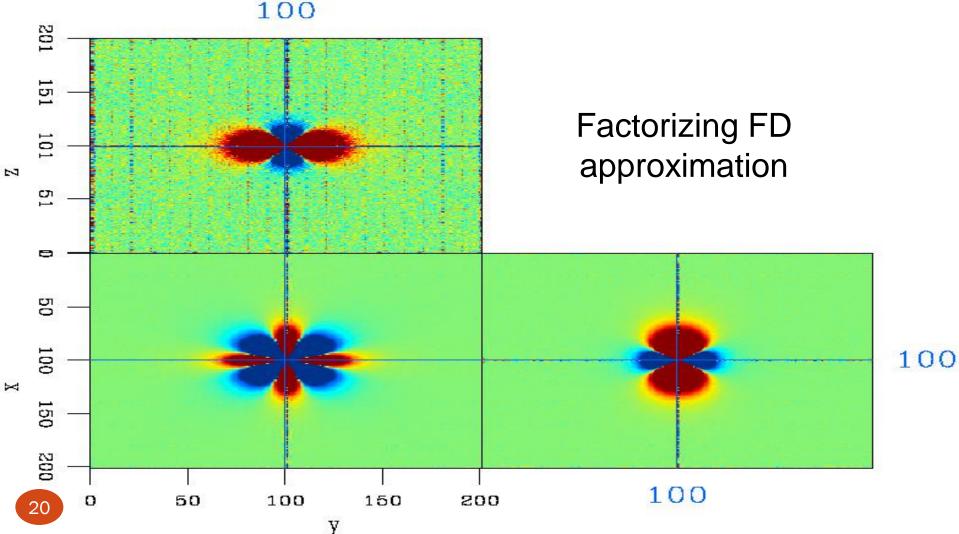
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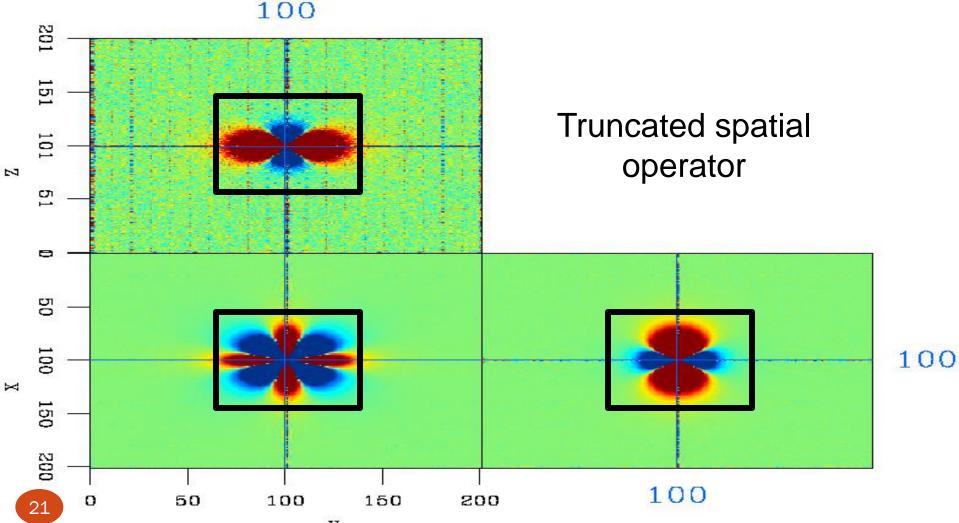
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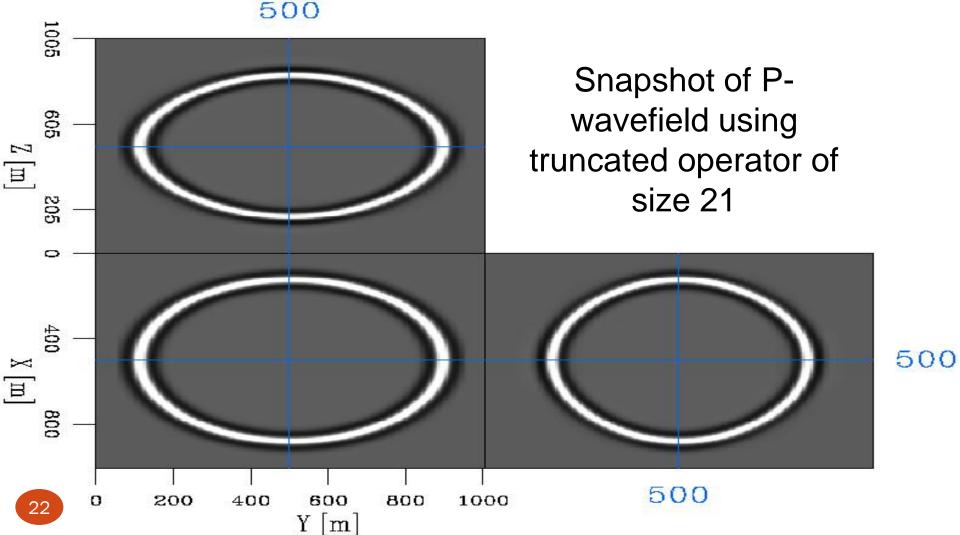
$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial t^2} = \lambda_i(x) * p(x)$$

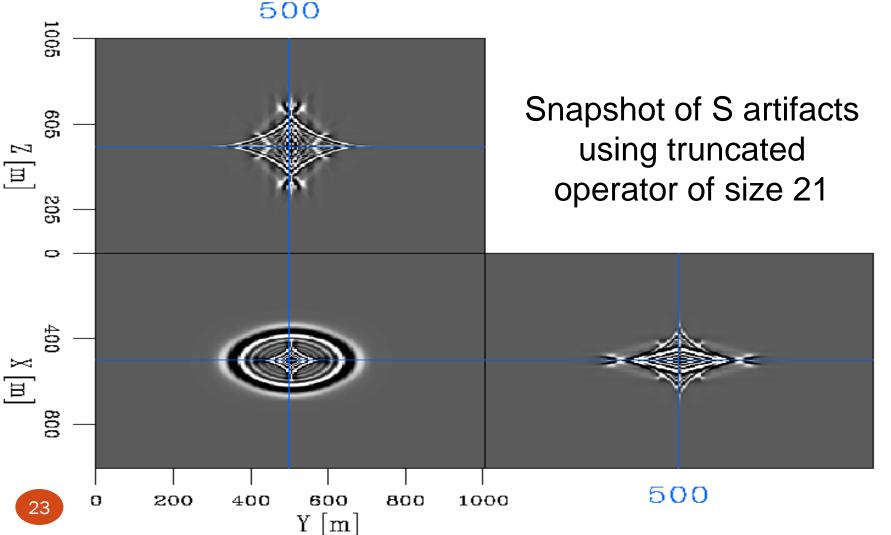






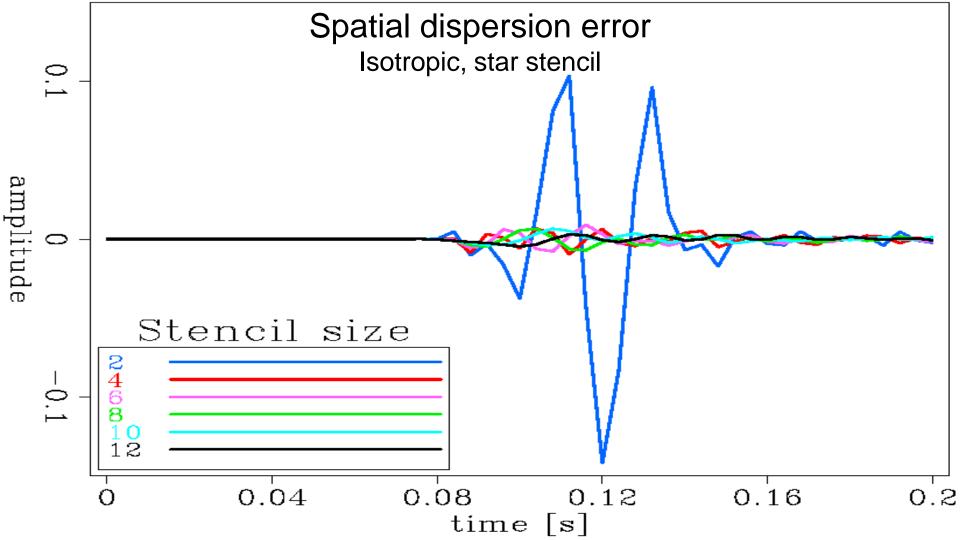
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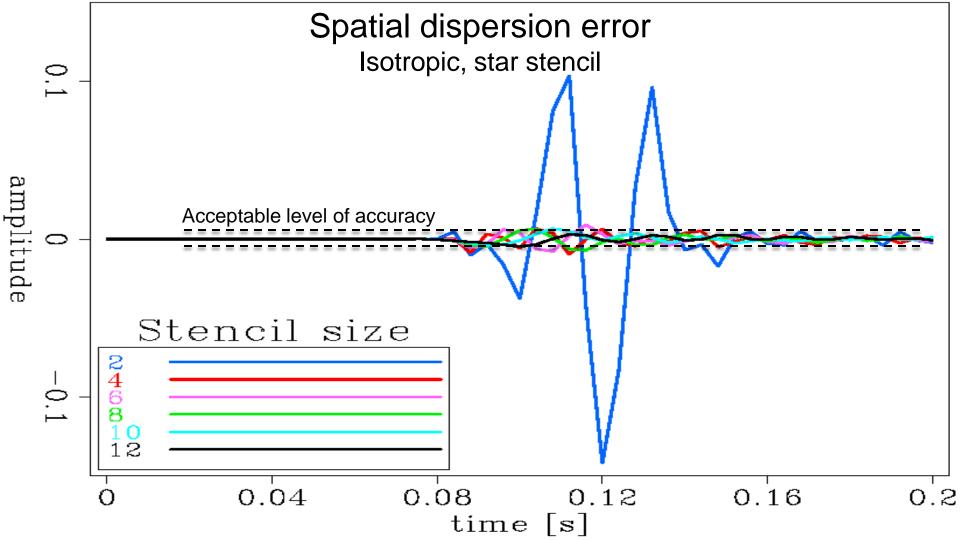


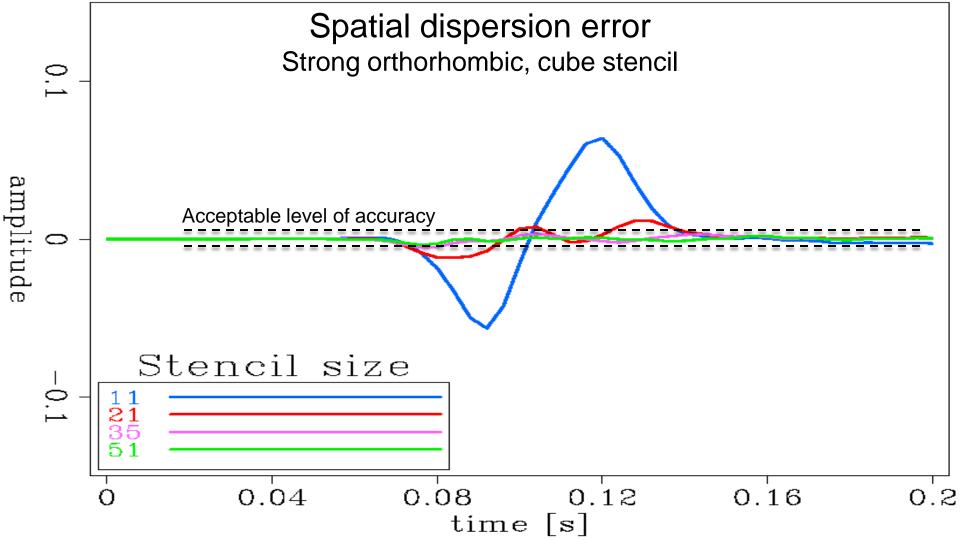


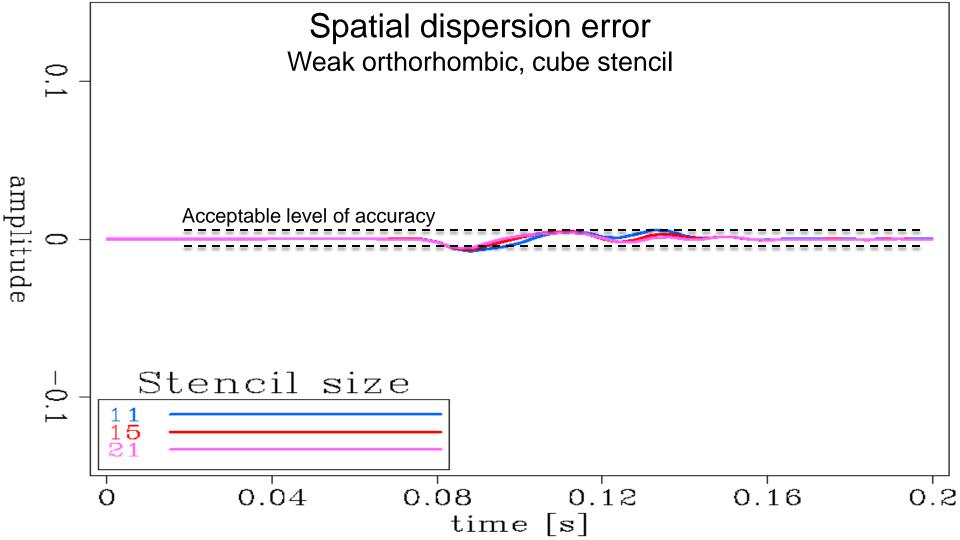
Operator's accuracy after truncation

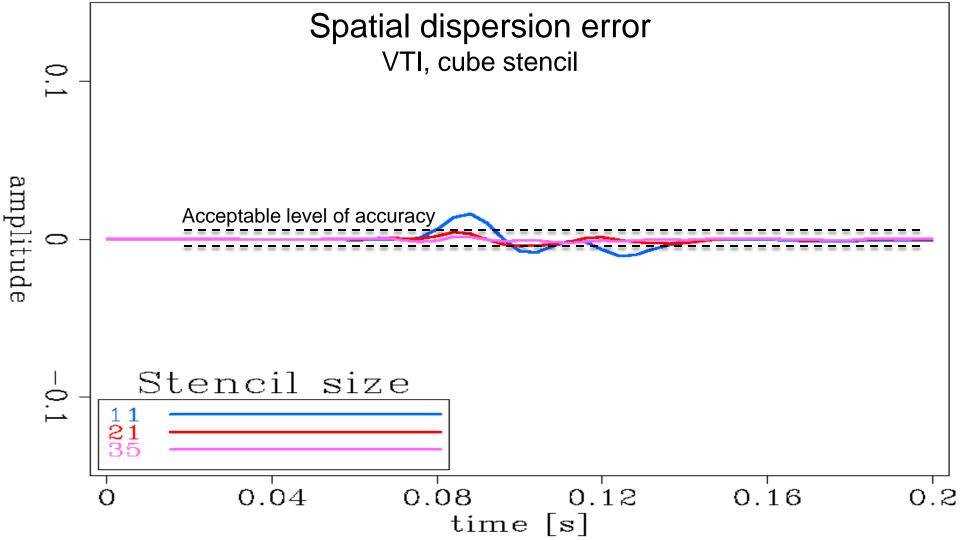
- Wavenumber domain: accurate but slow
- Spatial domain: less accurate but fast
- Both use 2nd-order temporal FD, same time steps, and spatial discretizations
 => same temporal dispersion error
- Spatial subtracts wavenumber
 => spatial dispersion error

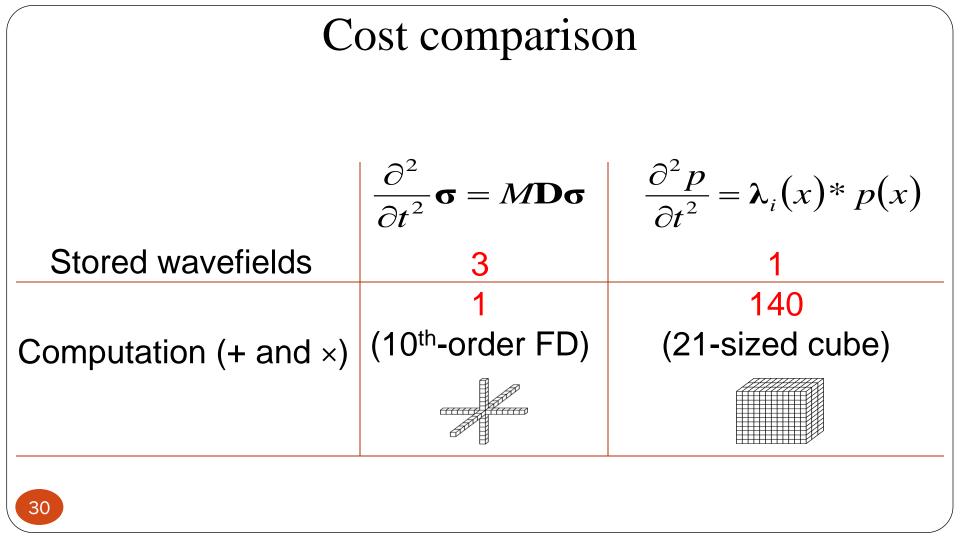




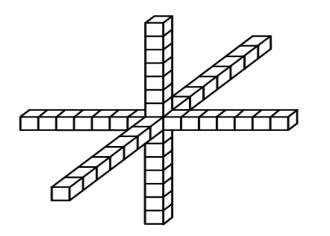


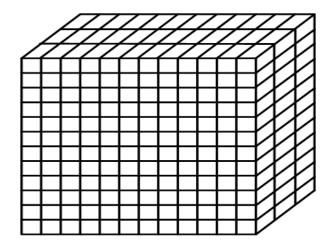






Cost comparison



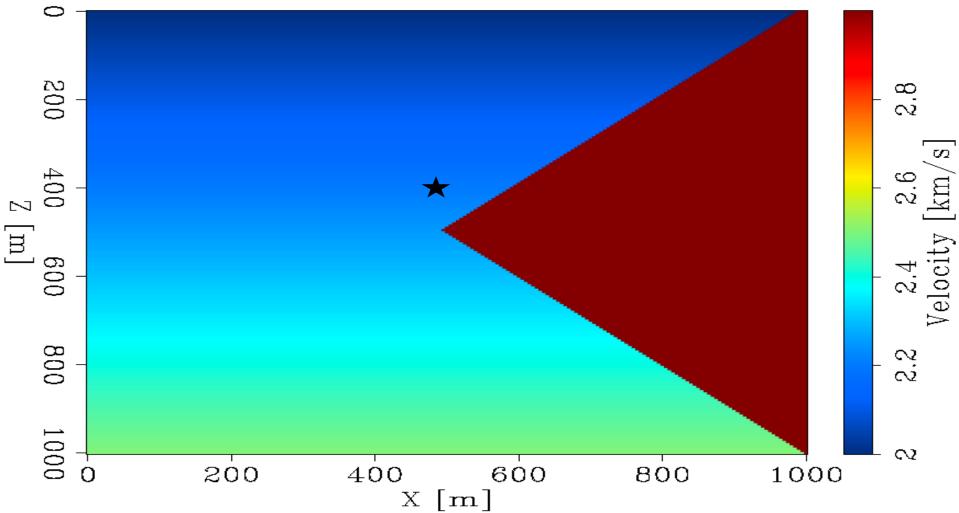


Computation hides latency Highly parallelizable Better cache reuse

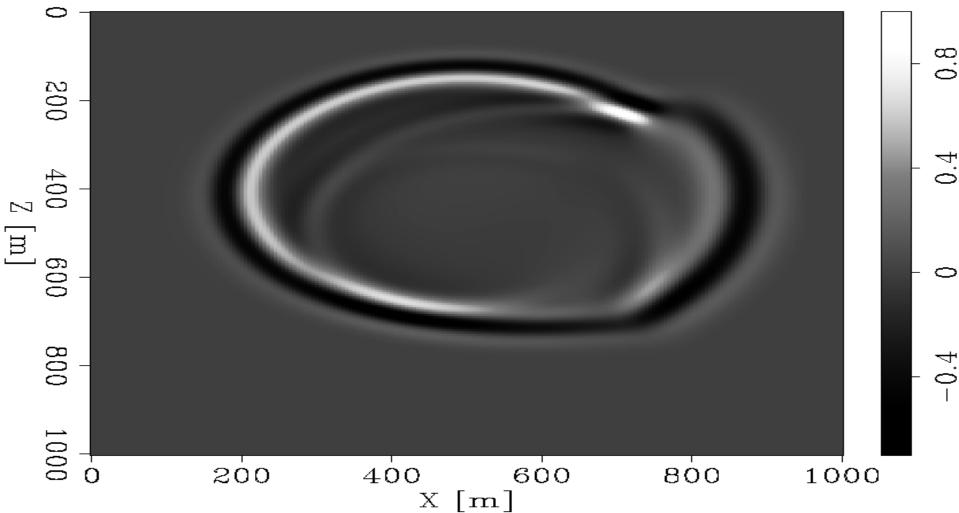
Application to inhomogeneous media

- Spatially varying operator
- Exact solution requires calculation of operator for every present model parameters.

True model

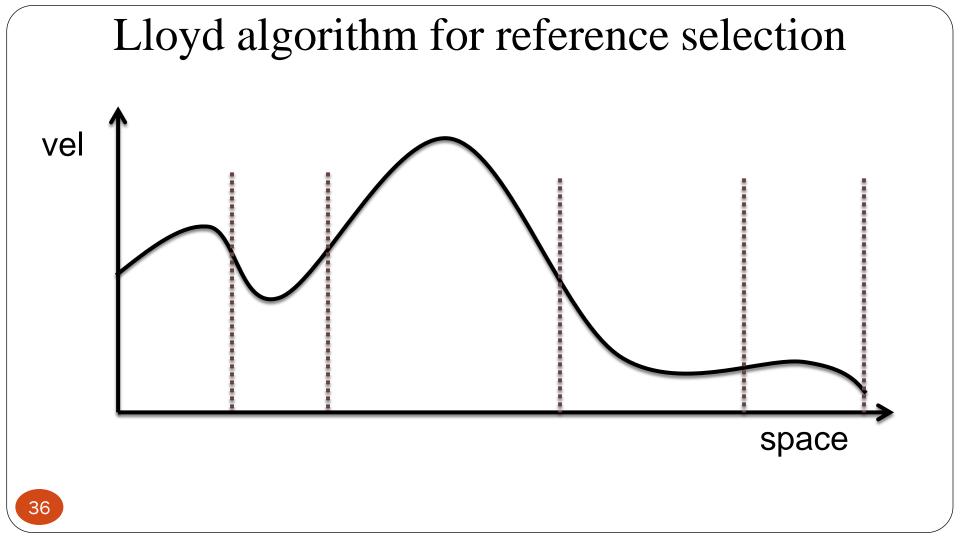


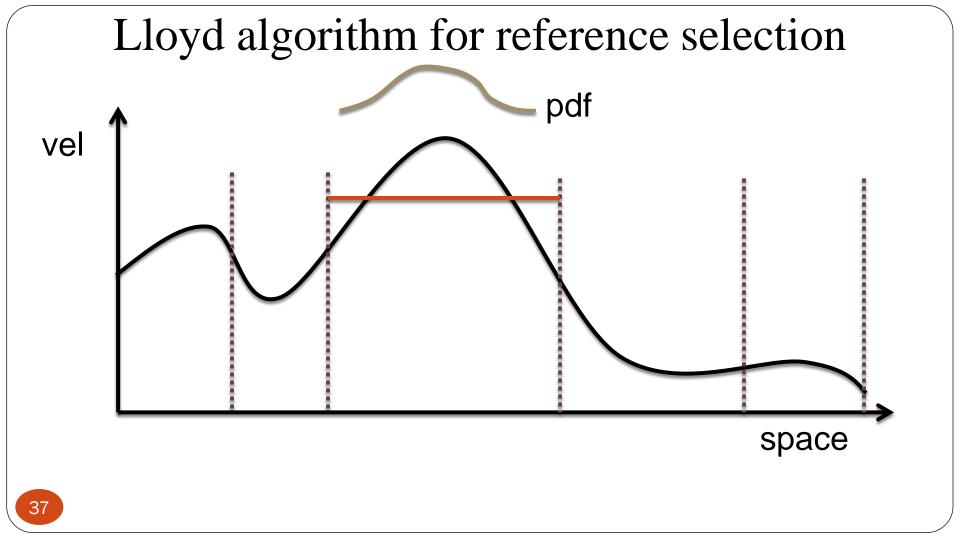
True wavefield

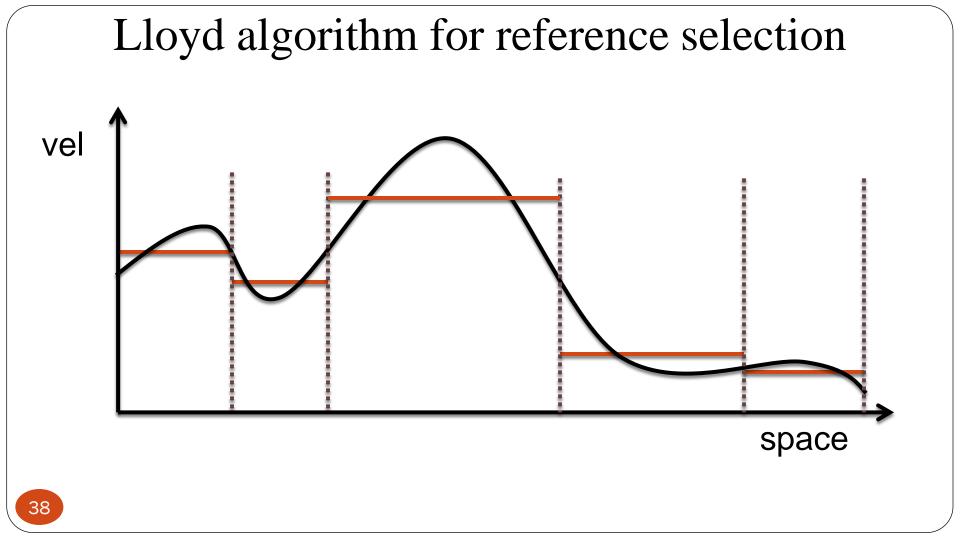


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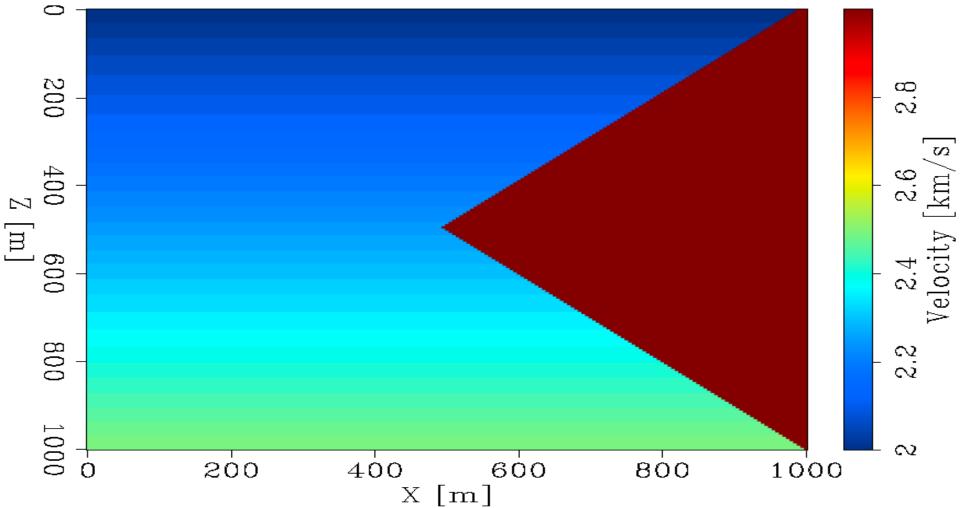
- Spatially varying operator
- Exact solution requires calculation of operator for every present model parameters => expensive
- Approximation: compute operators for a number of reference model parameters
 - Reference selection: Lloyd algorithm (Clapp, 2006)
- Interpolation of operators

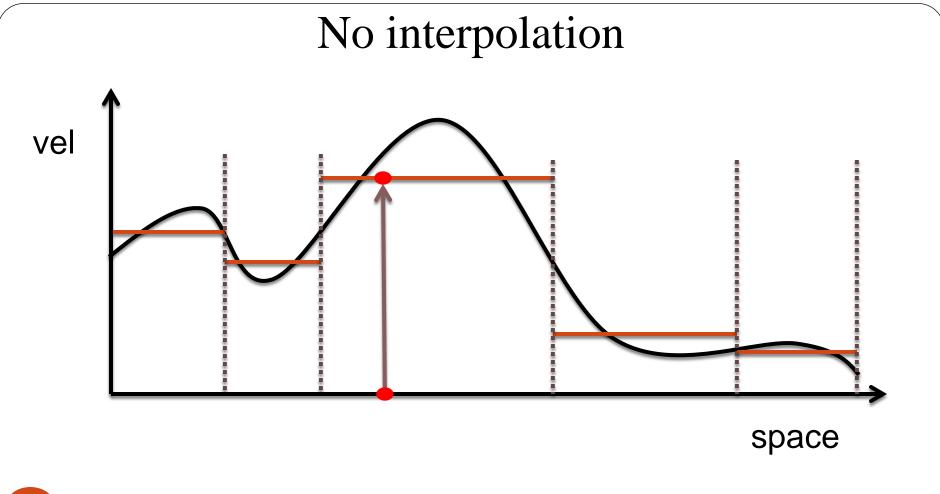




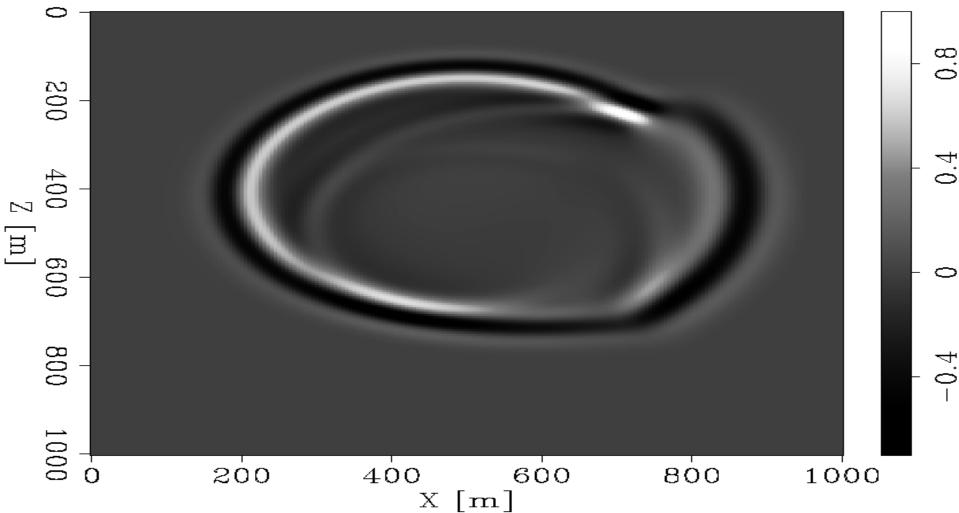


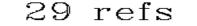
Model w/ 29 refs by Lloyd

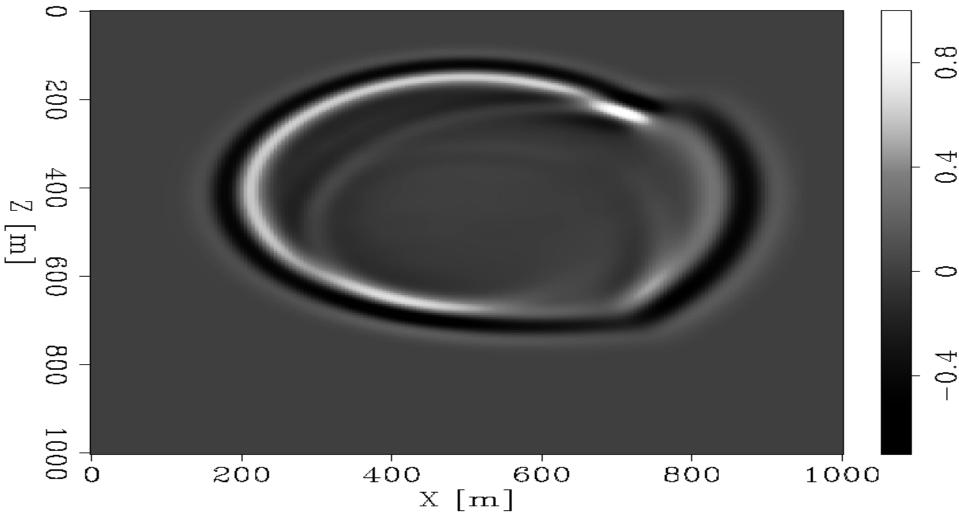


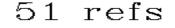


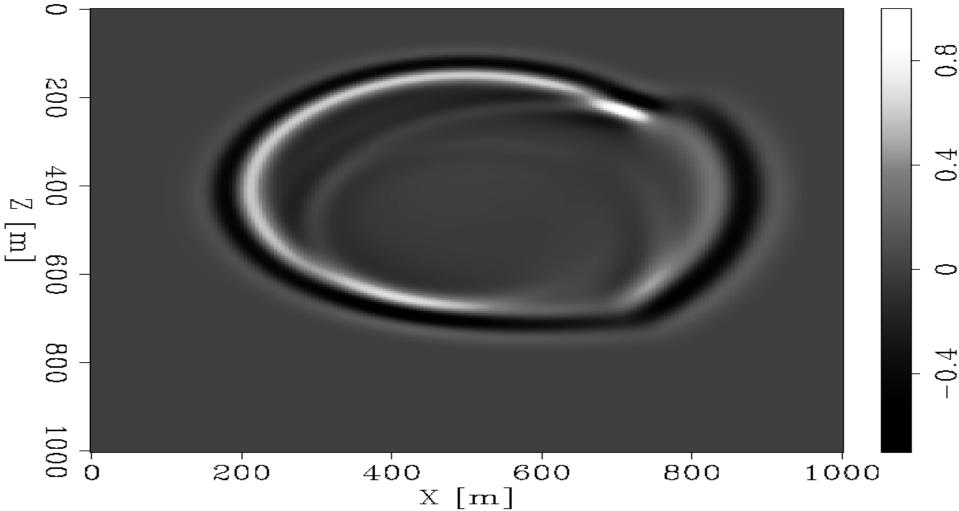
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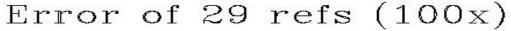


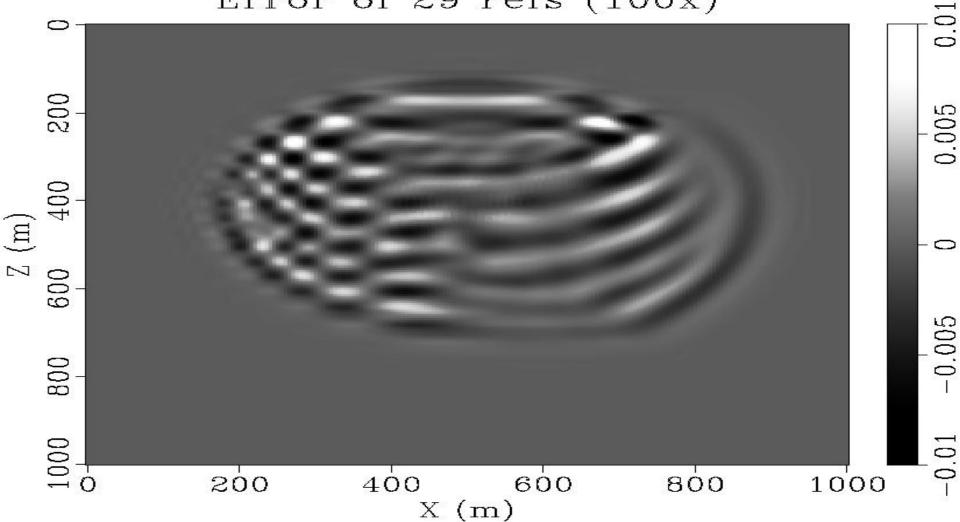




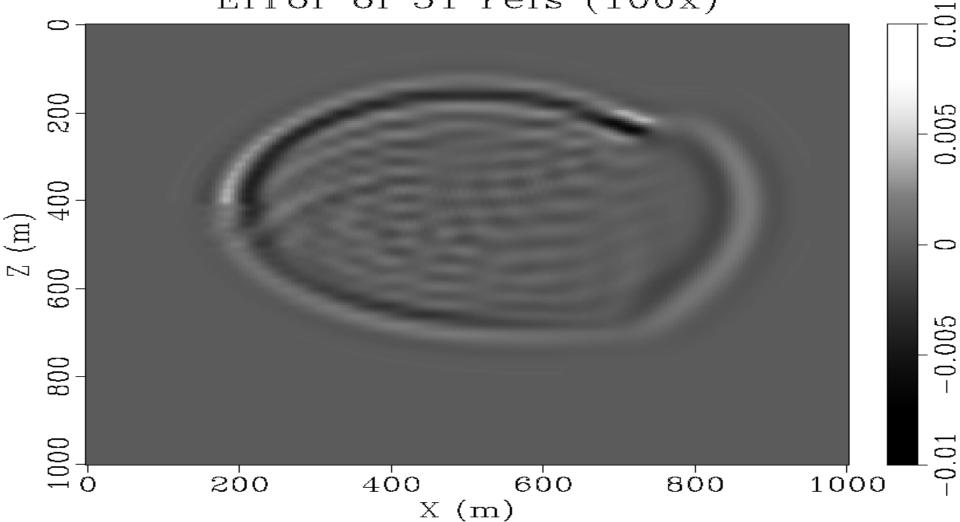


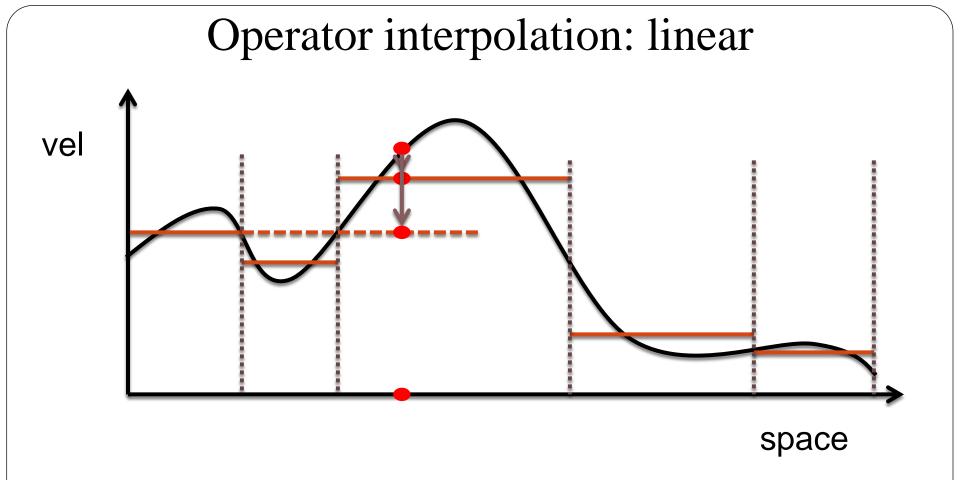




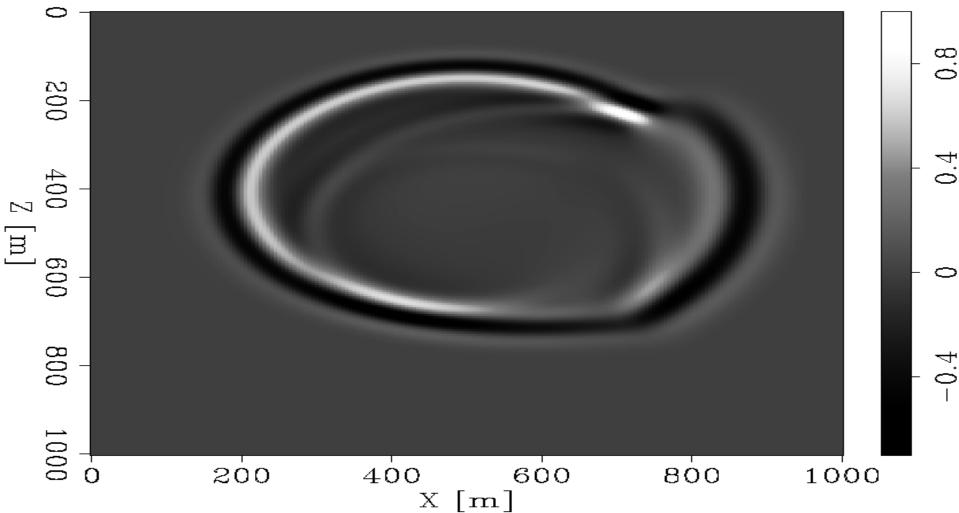


Error of 51 refs (100x)

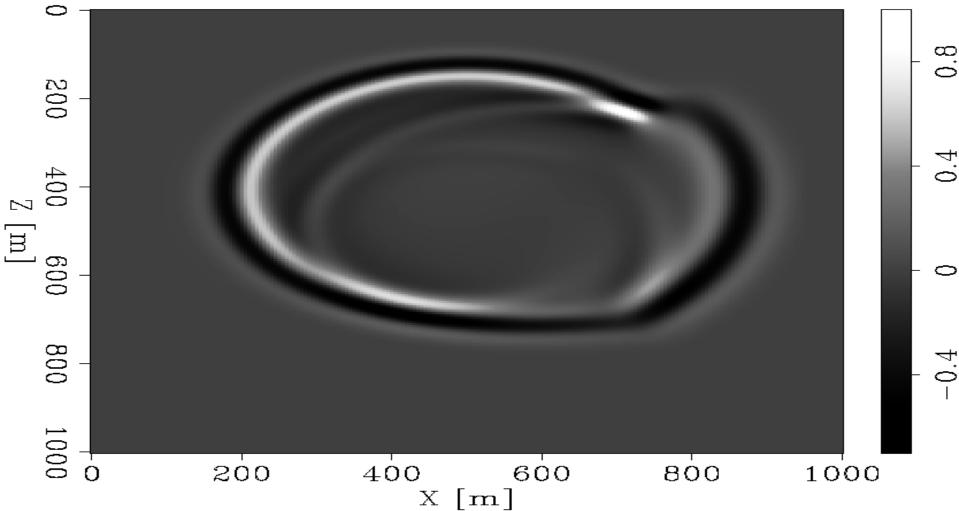




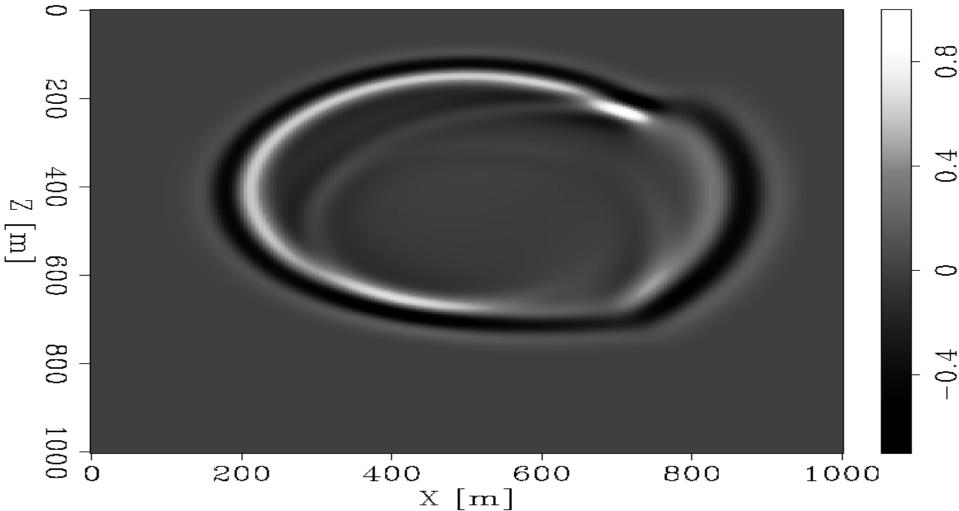
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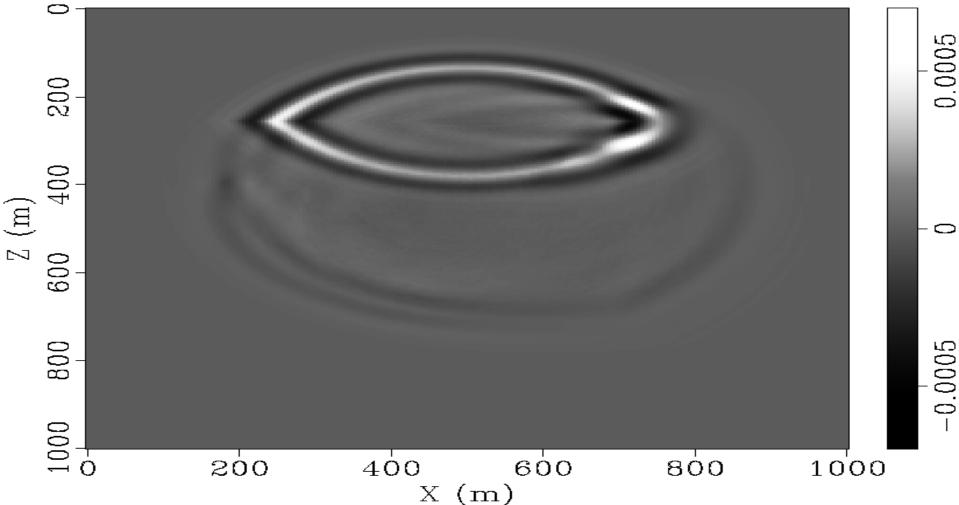
29 Lloyd refs, linear



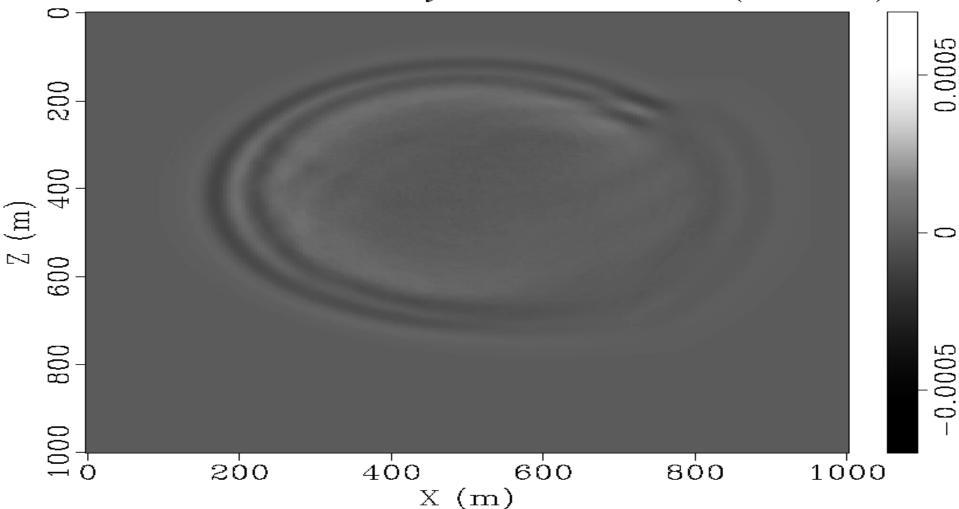
27 evenly refs, linear



Error of 29 Lloyd refs, linear (1000x)



Error of 27 evenly refs, linear (1000x)



Conclusions

- Shear artifacts can be removed completely by wavenumber-domain eigenvalue decomposition.
- Proposed method can be applied in wavenumber domain or space-time domain.
- Lower degree of anisotropy, smaller operator => possible hybrid scheme
- Dense operator is computationally expensive, but highly parallelizable and has better cache reuse.
- Application in inhomogeneous media by operator interpolation is stable and acceptably accurate.

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