

Improvements to Spherical- Wave AVO Modeling

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Research Reports

- Ursenbach, Haase and Downton, “Improved modeling of spherical-wave AVO”
- Ursenbach and Haase, “AVO modeling of monochromatic spherical waves: comparison to band-limited waves”

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- Review: An efficient approach for modeling spherical-wave reflectivity
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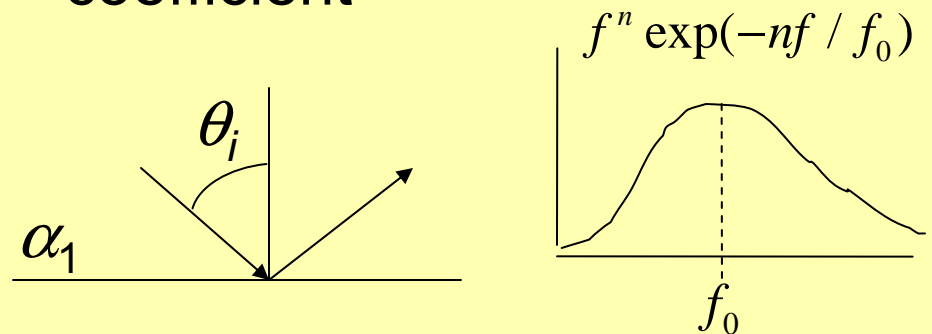
Efficient modeling of spherical-wave AVO

Standard Approach

- Obtain displacement spectrum for a single ω by numerical integration of weighted plane-wave reflection coefficients
- Repeat for other ω as required
- Multiply displacement and wavelet spectra and apply $FT^{-1} \rightarrow$ yields time trace
- Extract reflection coefficient from maximum in time trace envelope

Efficient Approach

- Multiply Rayleigh wavelet spectrum and weighting function and integrate *analytically* over frequency
- Set time equal to ray theoretical arrival time
- Perform a single numerical integration to obtain reflection coefficient



Improvement #1

- Simplified expression

$$R_{\text{pp}}^{\text{sph}}(\theta_i) = \left[\int_0^1 - \int_{i0}^{i\infty} \right] R_{\text{pp}}(\theta) W_n(\theta, \theta_i, S) d(\cos \theta).$$

$$W_n = -\frac{(nS)^{n+2} B P_n(\bar{T}/\bar{\tau}) + C P_{n+1}(\bar{T}/\bar{\tau})}{\bar{\tau}^{n+4} (1 + iSn/(n+1))},$$

$$B = (n+1)(i + nS)\bar{\tau},$$

$$C = -n^2(1+n)S^2 - inS[2(n+1) + \cos \theta \cos \theta_i] \\ + n(\sin^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta_i) + 3(1 - \cos \theta \cos \theta_i) - 2(\cos \theta - \cos \theta_i)^2,$$

$$\bar{\tau} = \sqrt{T^2 + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \theta_i},$$

$$= \sqrt{(nS)^2 + 2inS(1 - \cos \theta \cos \theta_i) + (\cos \theta - \cos \theta_i)^2},$$

$$\bar{T} = nS + i(1 - \cos \theta \cos \theta_i).$$

- Shorter runtime
- Can use arbitrary values of n

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Monochromatic wavelet

The spectrum of the displacement along the ray path:

$$u_{\parallel}(\omega) = Ai\omega \exp(-i\omega t) \int_0^{\infty} \frac{p}{\xi} R_{\text{PP}}(p) \underbrace{\left[-\omega p J_1(\omega p r) \sin \theta_i + i\omega \xi J_0(\omega p r) \cos \theta_i \right]}_{\text{weighting function}} \exp[i\omega \xi(z+h)] dp.$$

Normalize by

weighting function

$$u_{\parallel}^{R_{\text{PP}}=1}(\omega) = A \left(-\frac{1}{R^2} + \frac{i\omega}{R\alpha_1} \right) \exp \left[-i\omega \left(t - \frac{R}{\alpha_1} \right) \right].$$

Final result:

near-field

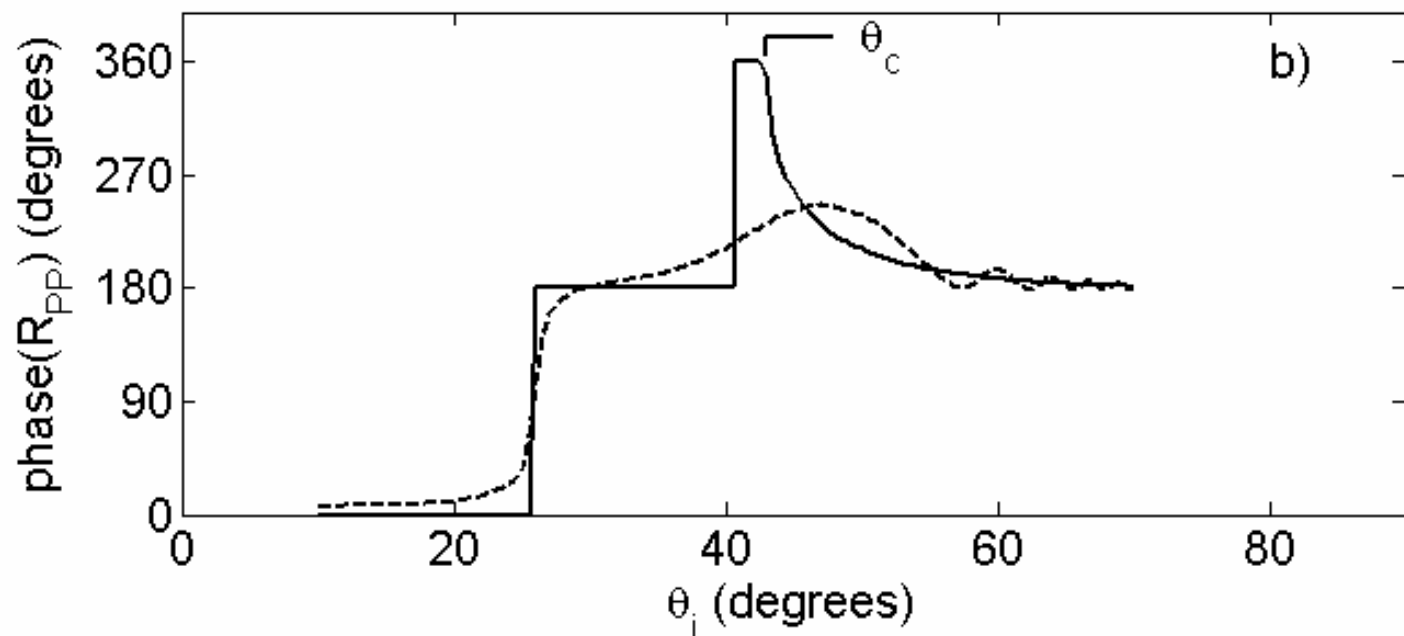
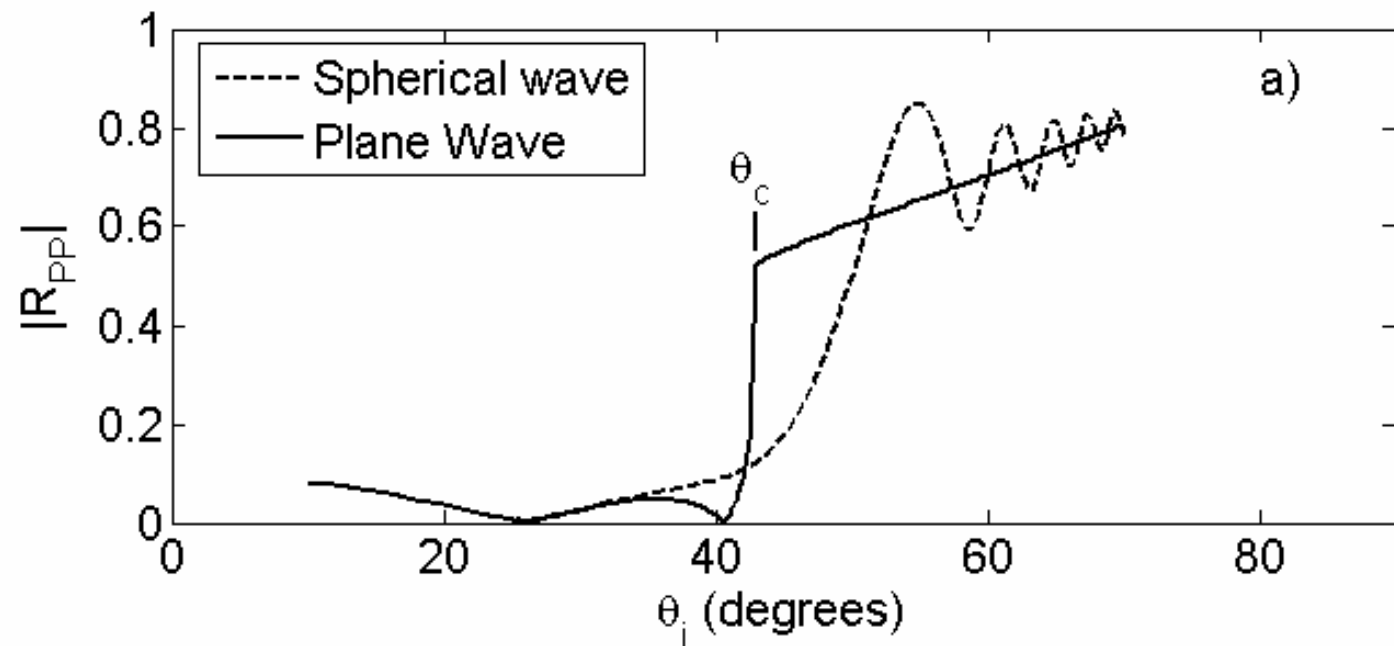
far-field

$$R_{\text{PP}}^{\text{spherical}}(\theta_i) = \int_{\Gamma} W(S, \theta, \theta_i) R_{\text{PP}}(\theta) d(\cos \theta),$$

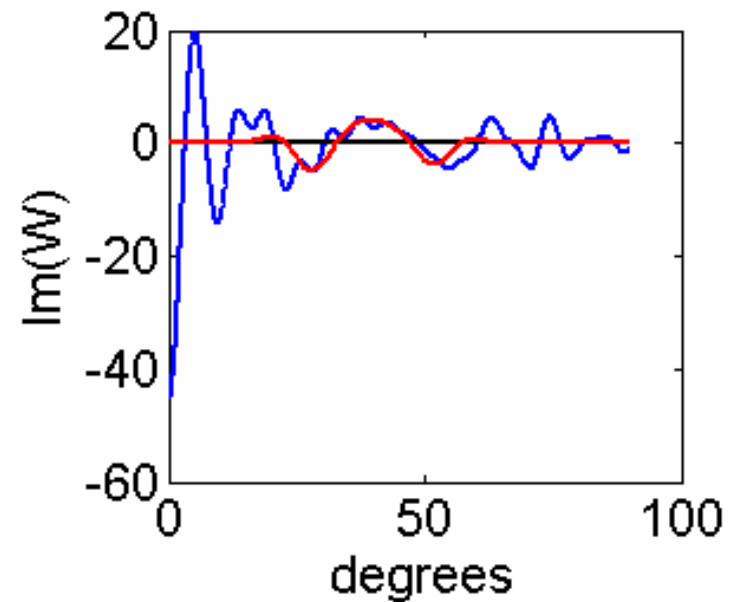
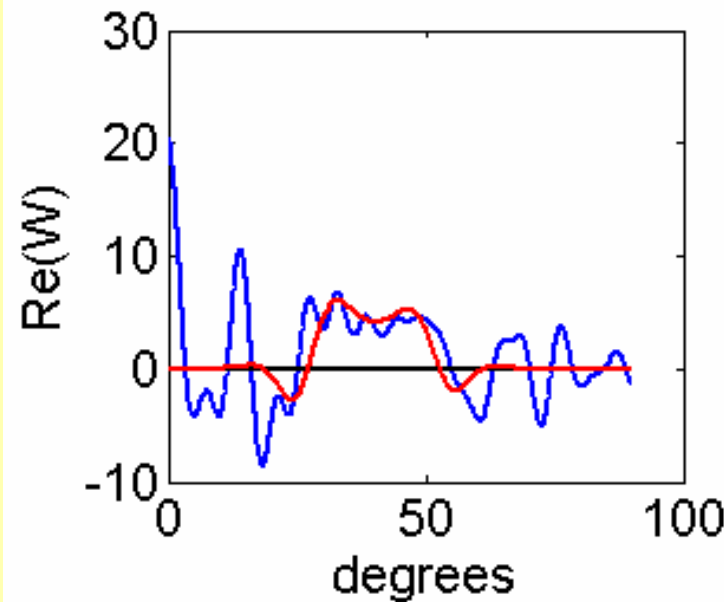
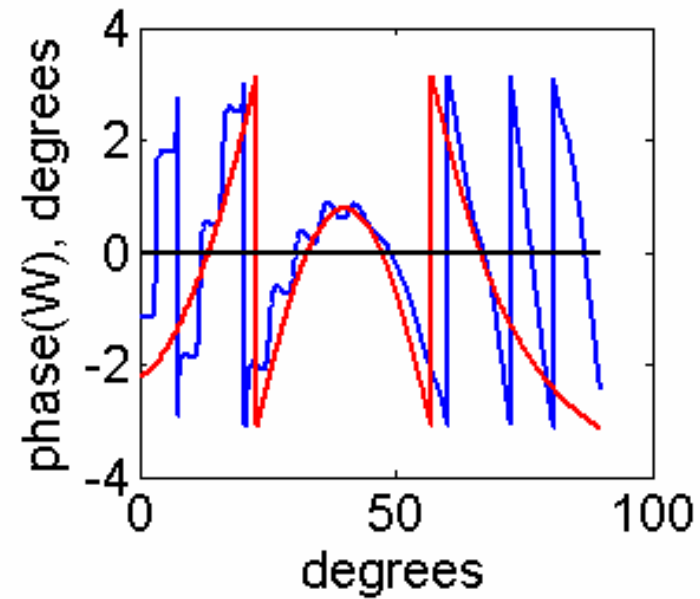
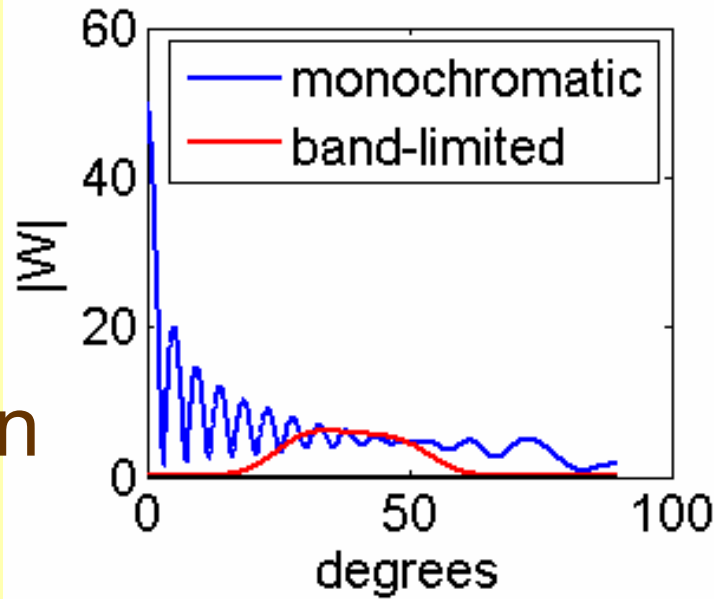
$$S = \frac{\alpha_1}{R\omega},$$

$$W(S, \theta, \theta_i) = \frac{\left[-J_1(\sin \theta \sin \theta_i / S) \sin \theta \sin \theta_i + iJ_0(\sin \theta \sin \theta_i / S) \cos \theta \cos \theta_i \right]}{S(1-iS) \exp[i(1-\cos \theta \cos \theta_i) / S]}.$$

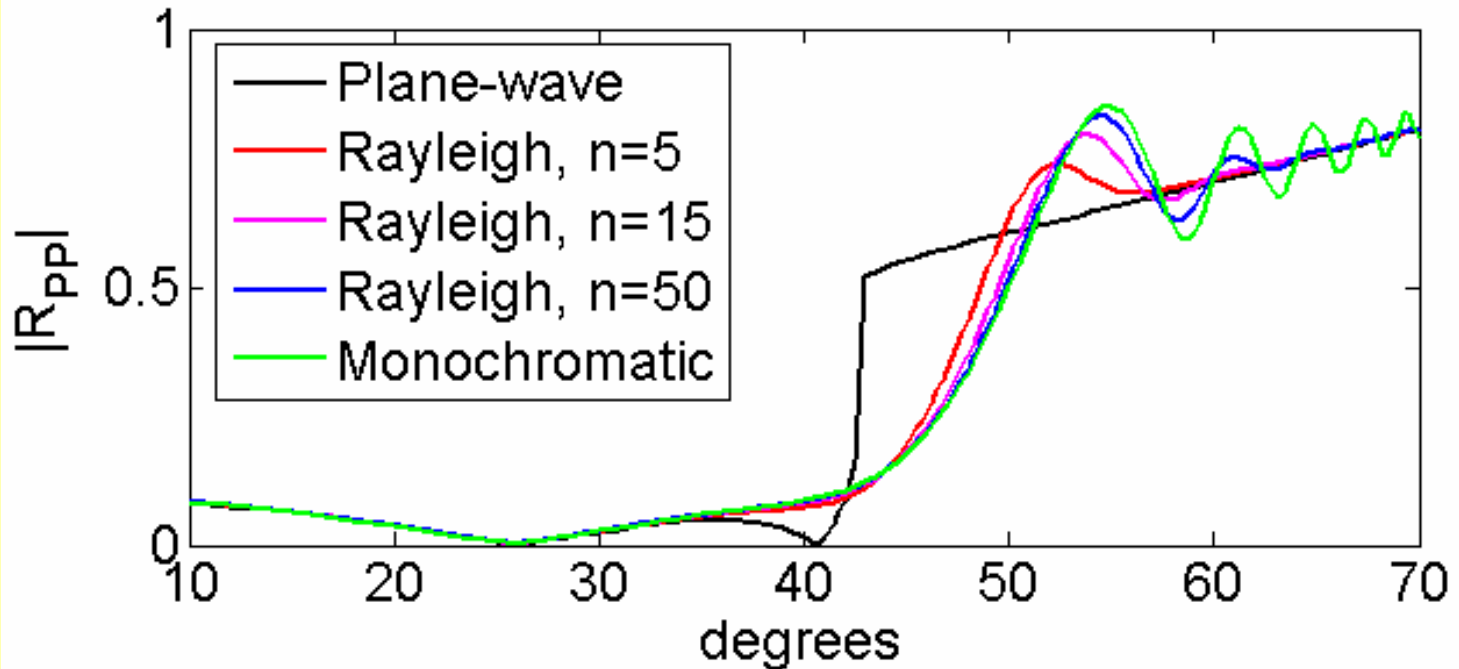
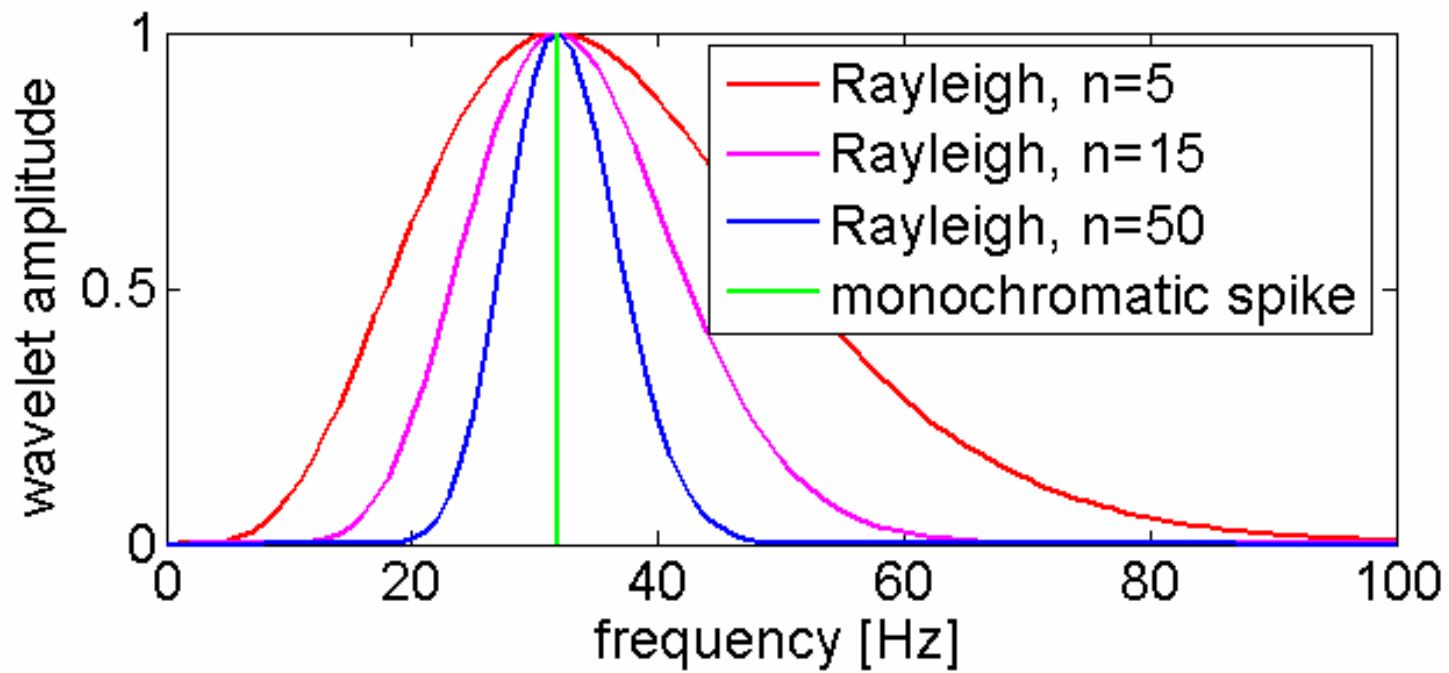
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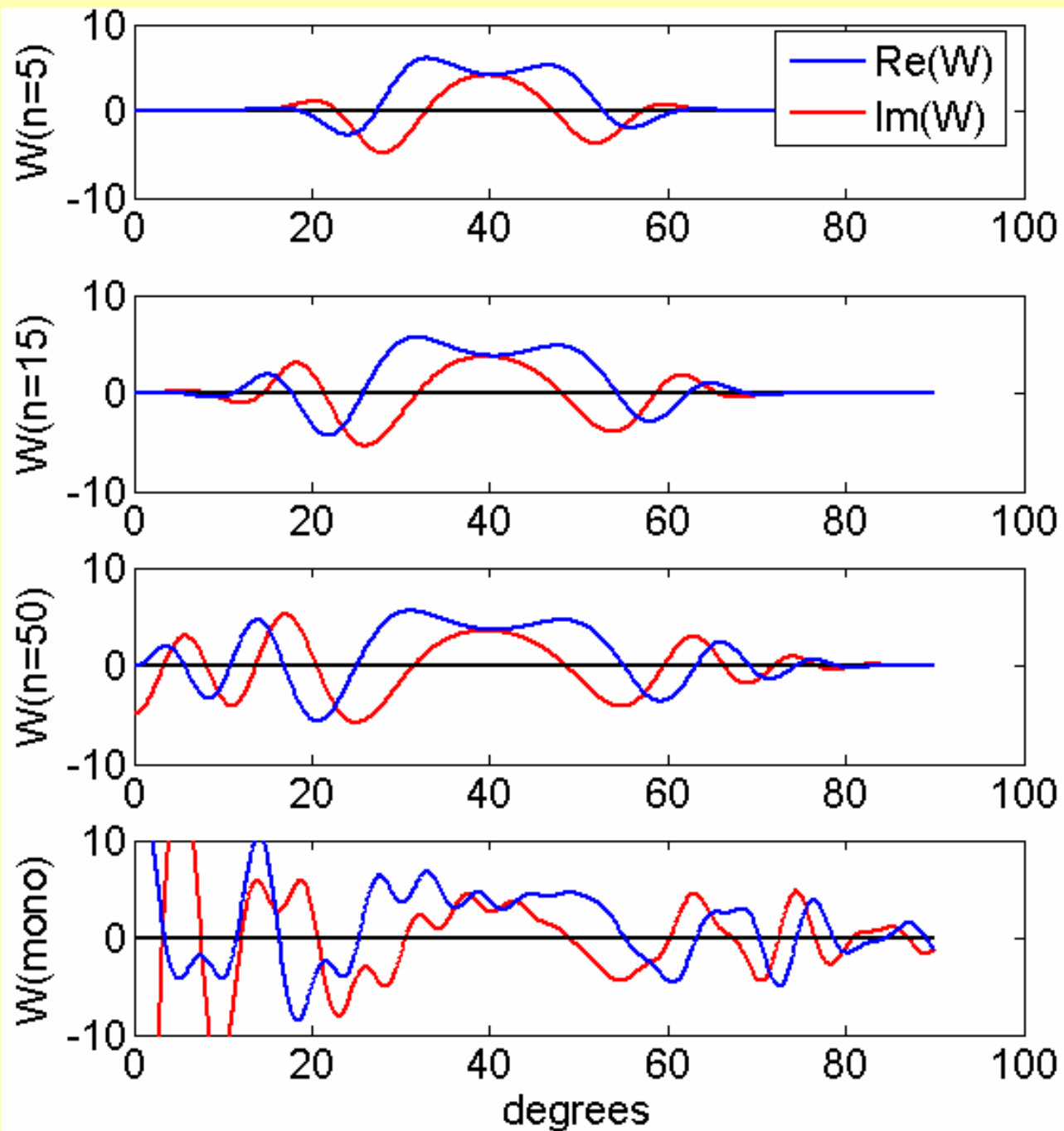
Comparison of Weighting Functions



High n Reflectivity Curves for Rayleigh Wavelets



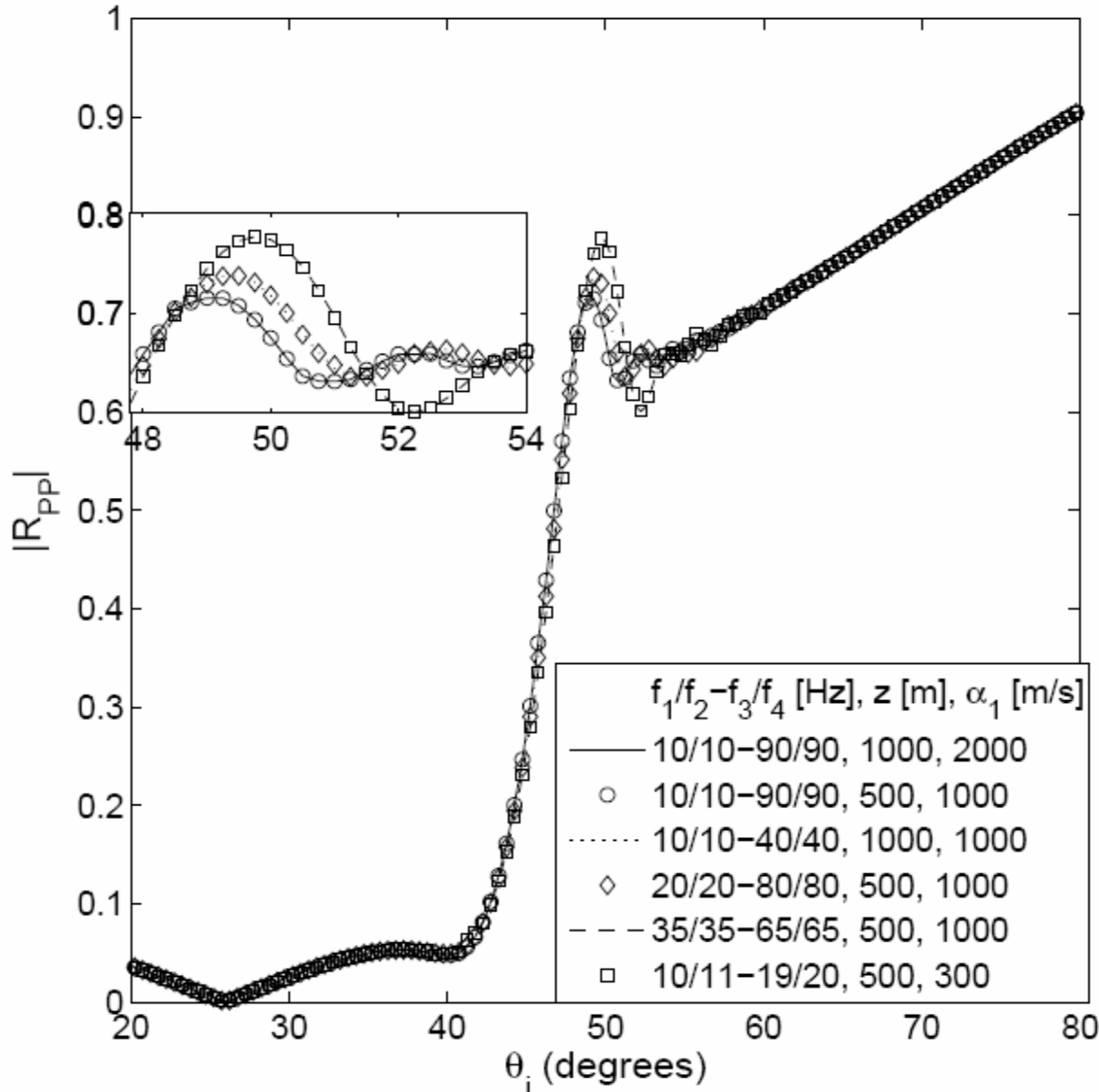
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Fundamental Ormsby parameters



$$S_{\text{ave}} = \frac{\alpha_1}{(2Z)\omega_{\text{ave}}} \approx .0032$$

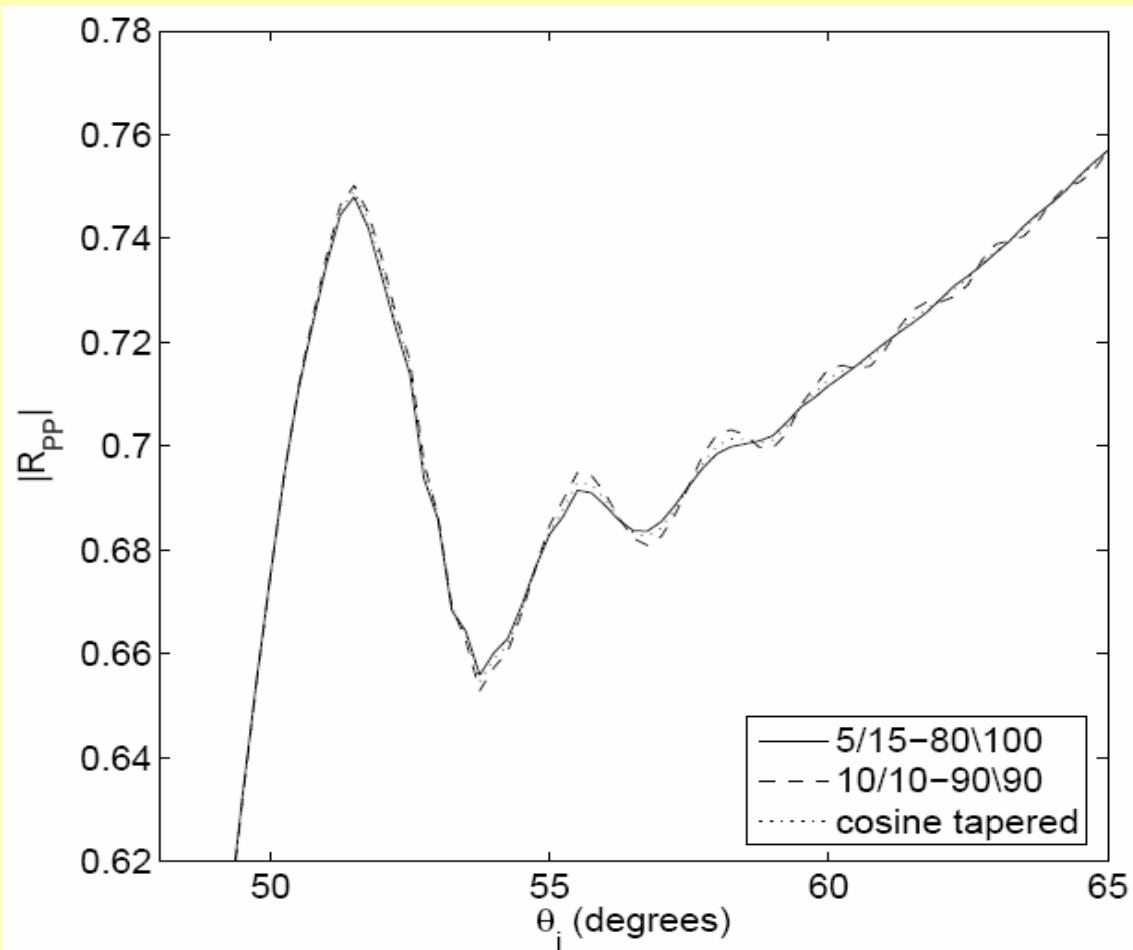
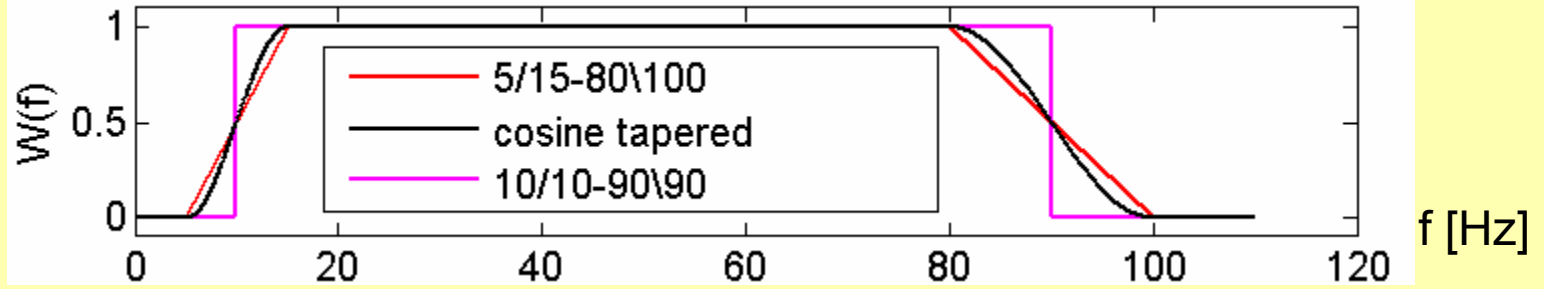
$$B_r = \frac{f_1 + f_2}{f_3 + f_4}$$

$$B_r \approx 0.11$$

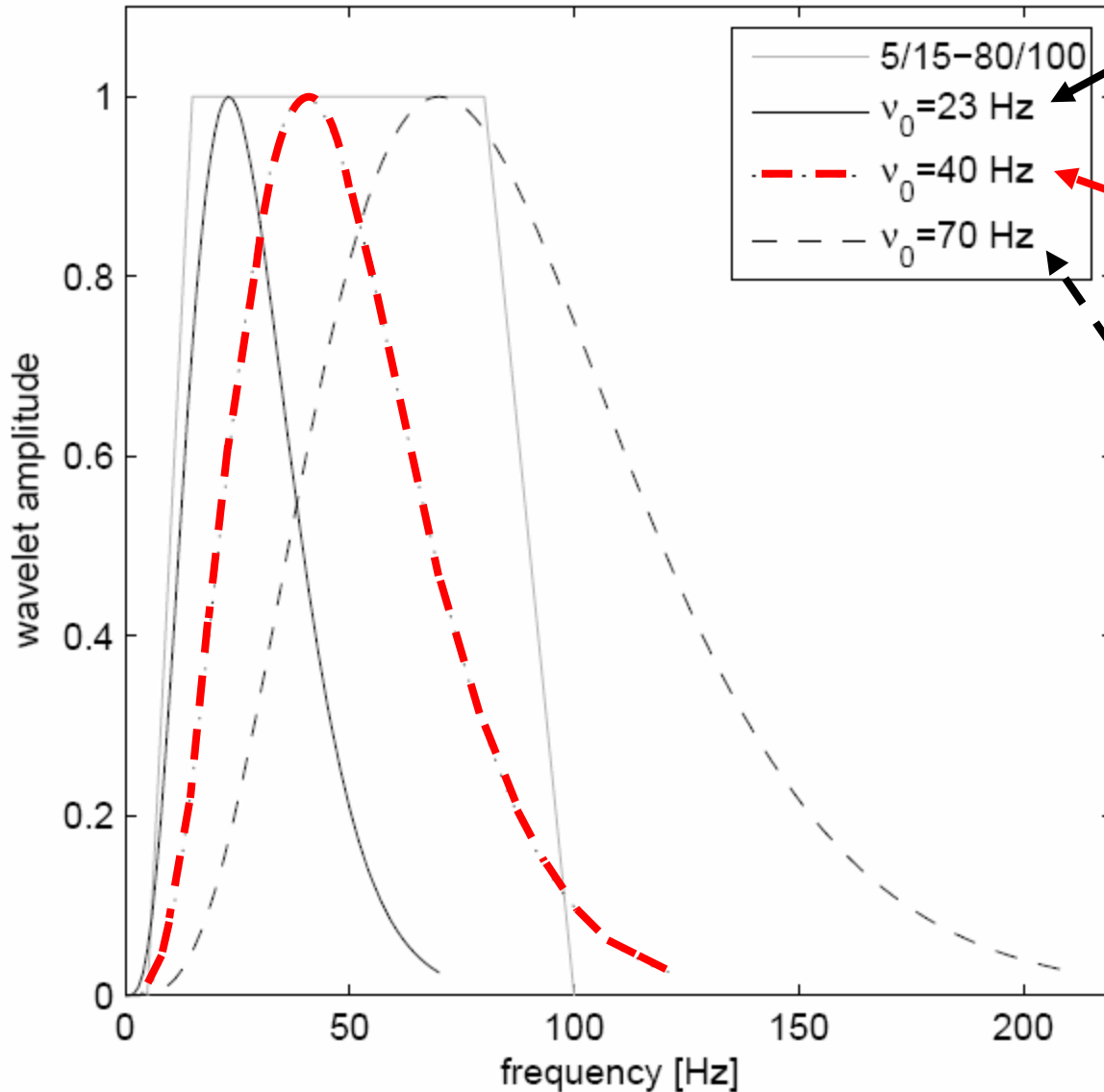
$$B_r \approx 0.25$$

$$B_r \approx 0.54$$

Influence of tapers



Determining S

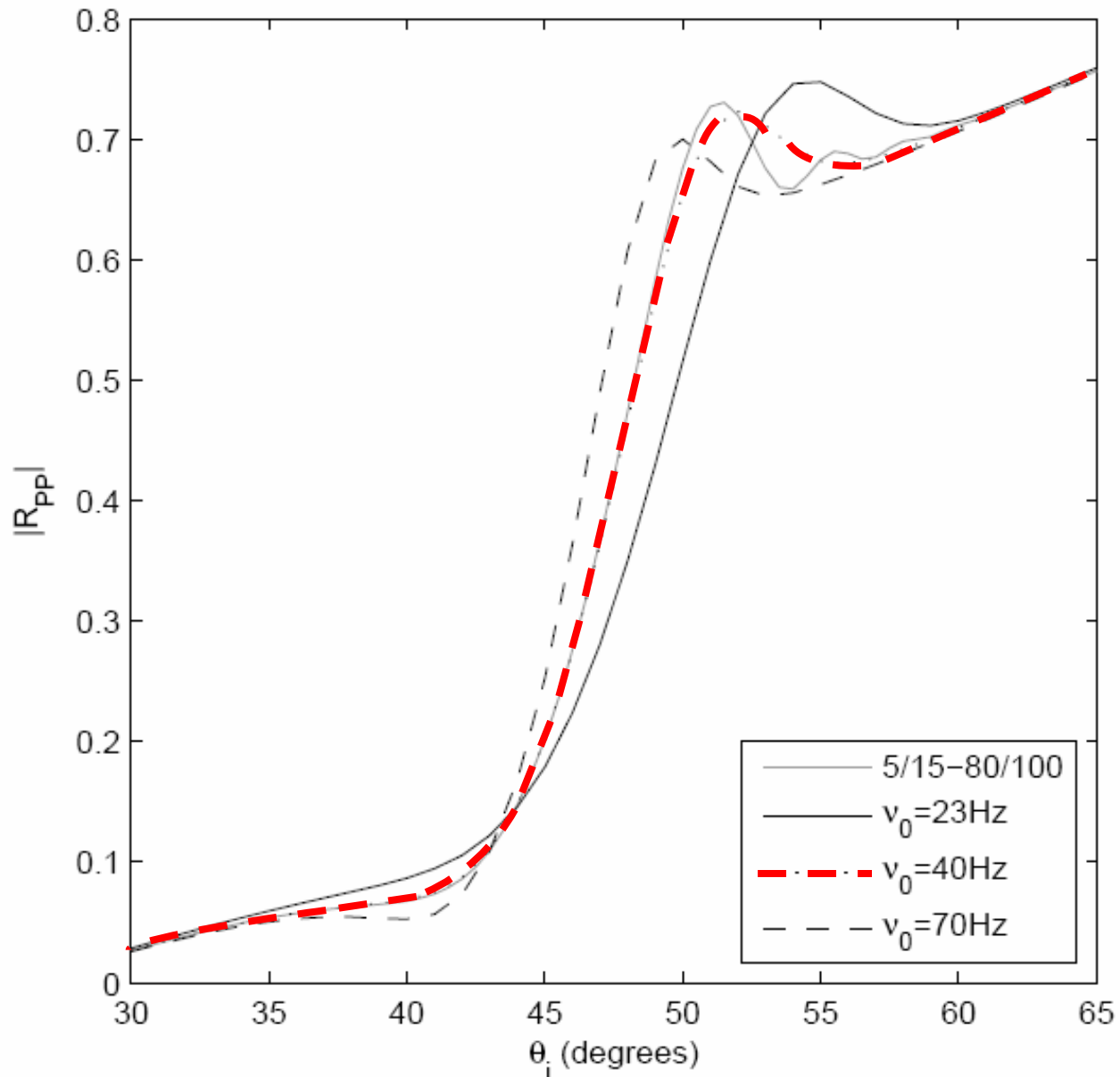


matches lower
band edge

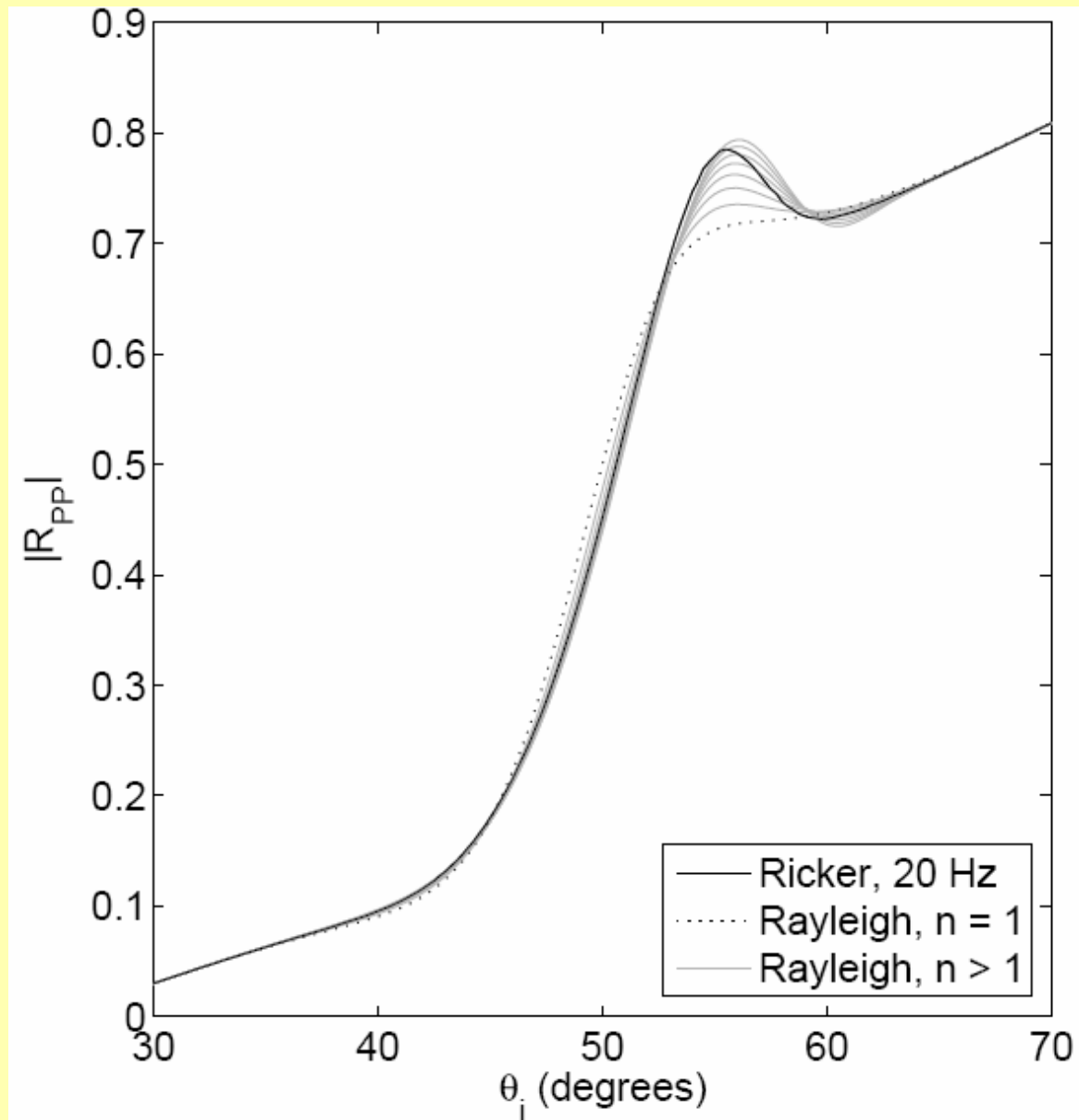
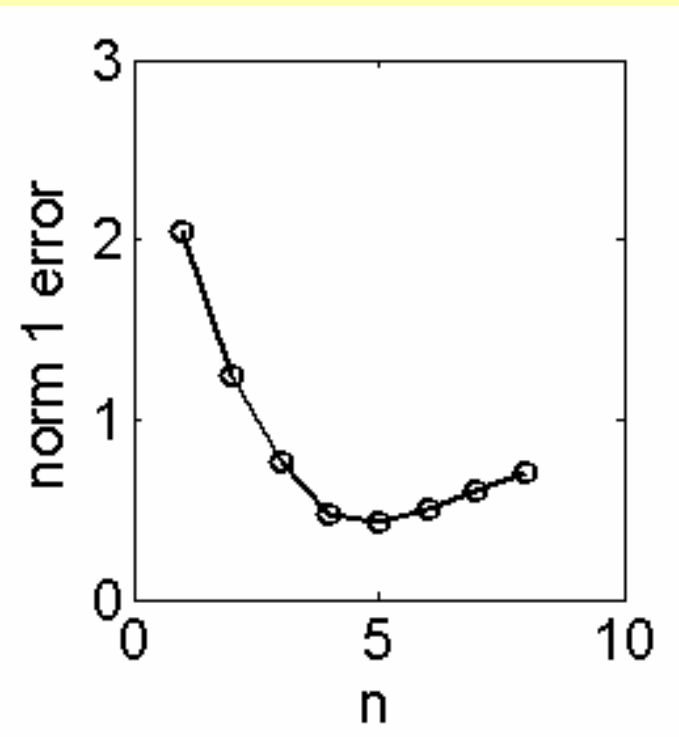
matches avg.
frequency

matches upper
band edge and
bandwidth

Determining S

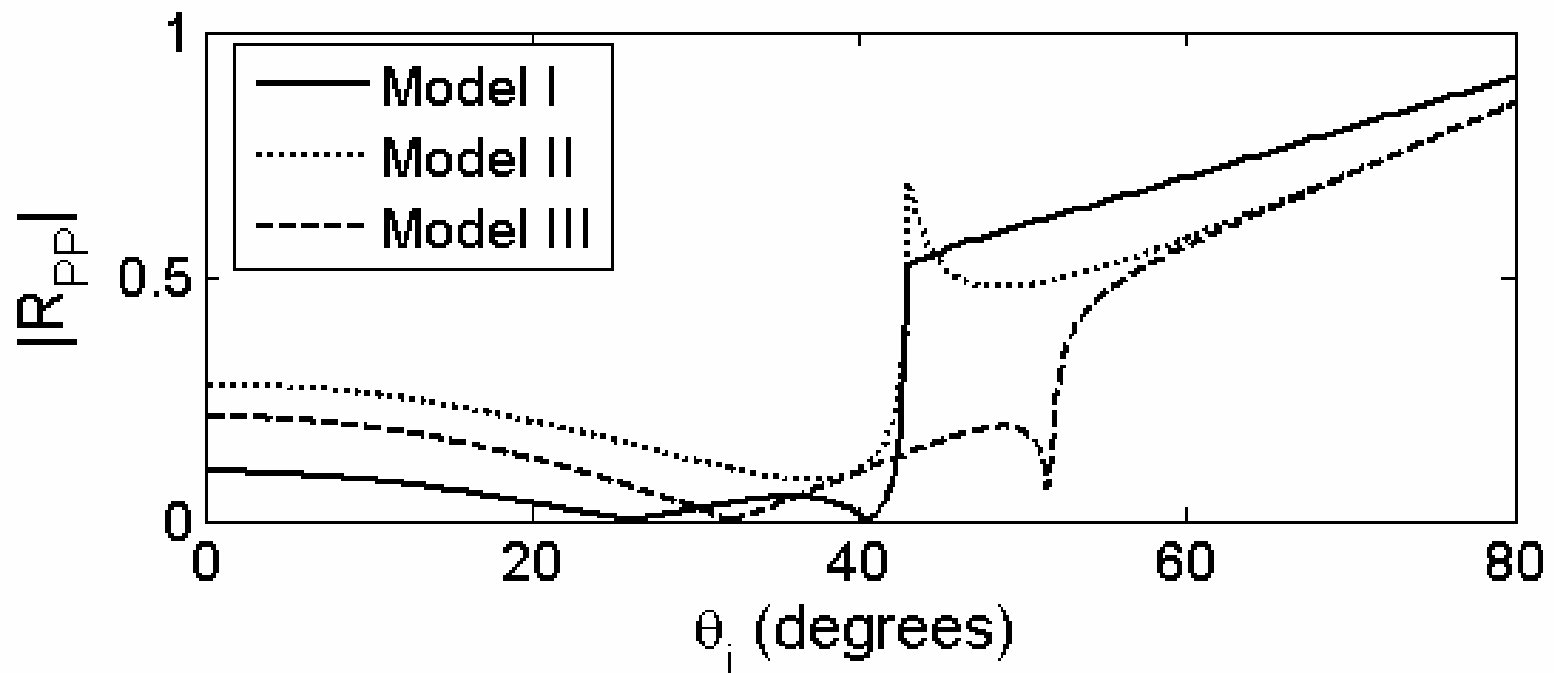


Determining n



Determining n

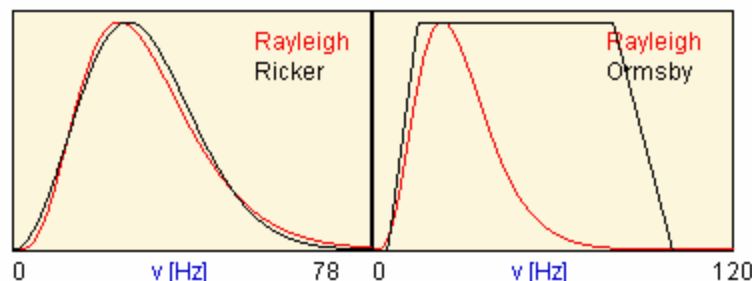
Wavelet			Optimal n value for Rayleigh Wavelet		
Name	B_r	S_z	Model I	Model II	Model III
Ricker	-	.01	5	5	5
		.1	5	5	5
		1	5	5	≥ 8
Ormsby	1/9	.01	3	4	3
		.1	3	3	3
		.5	3	3	4
Ormsby	1/4	.01	7	≥ 8	7
		.1	6	6	6
		.5	6	6	≥ 8



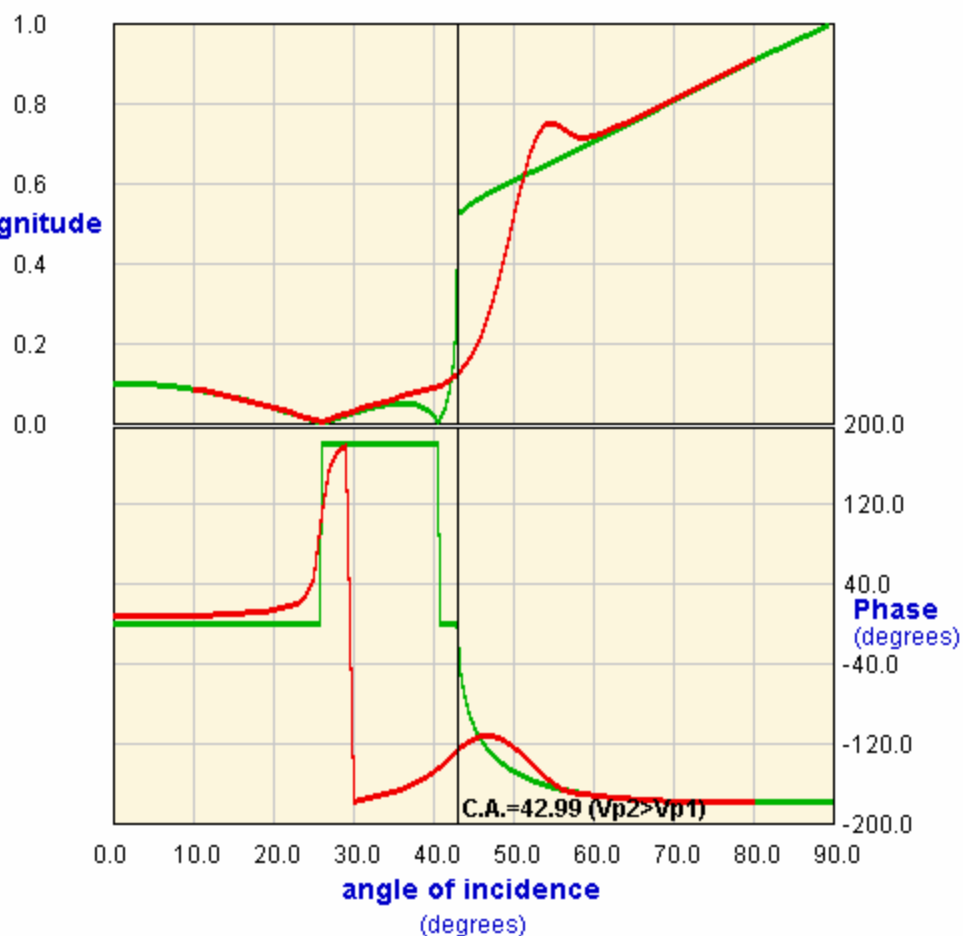
CREWES Spherical Zoeppritz Explorer

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Wavelet:



Magnitude



Sphericity: $\alpha.1 / (2 Z f_0) = 0.086$ Z [m]: 500.0

Rayleigh f_0 [Hz]: 23.121 n: 4

Ricker f_0 -Ricker) 25.0

Ormsby 5.0 15.0 80.0 100.0

Ave.freq.: Rayleigh 28.901, Ricker 28.209, Ormsby 50.156

Upper layer density (ρ_1): 2400.0 kg/m³

Upper layer Vp ($\alpha.1$): 2000.0 m/s

Upper layer Vs ($\beta.1$): 880.0 m/s

Lower layer density (ρ_2): 2000.0 kg/m³

Lower layer Vp ($\alpha.2$): 2933.0 m/s

Lower layer Vs ($\beta.2$): 1882.0 m/s

Spherical Zoeppritz Spherical Aki-Richards

Zoeppritz Aki-Richards

Angle limits (integers, 0 to 90): 0 90

Magnitude limits: 0.0 1.0

Phase limits (integers): -200 200

[Click here to recalculate graph](#)

Units: m/s and kg/m³ ft/s and g/cm³

Conclusions

- The Spherical Zoeppritz Explorer is now based on simpler and more general expressions
- It now runs more quickly, and allows one to choose values of $n > 5$
- As before, the Rayleigh wavelet parameters may be input directly
- A new feature is that the Rayleigh wavelet parameters may alternatively be calculated to represent a Ricker or Ormsby wavelet whose parameters are input instead