

# Nonlinear FWI: formulation and examples

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# General principle of FWI

- Forward modeling

$$\left[ \omega^2 s(\mathbf{r}) + \nabla^2 \right] P(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega) = -\delta(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_s)$$

- Misfit function

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(s) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_s} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_g} \sum_{\omega} \left\| \underbrace{P(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega)}_{\text{data}} - \underbrace{G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n)}_{\text{calculated data}} \right\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_s} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_g} \sum_{\omega} \left\| \underbrace{\delta P(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n)}_{\text{data residual}} \right\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

# General principle of FWI

- Gradient of misfit

$$g_n(\mathbf{r}) = - \sum_{\mathbf{r}_s} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_g} \sum_{\omega} \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\partial G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n)}{\partial s(\mathbf{r})} \delta P^*(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) \right)$$

sensitivity

- Update model iteratively

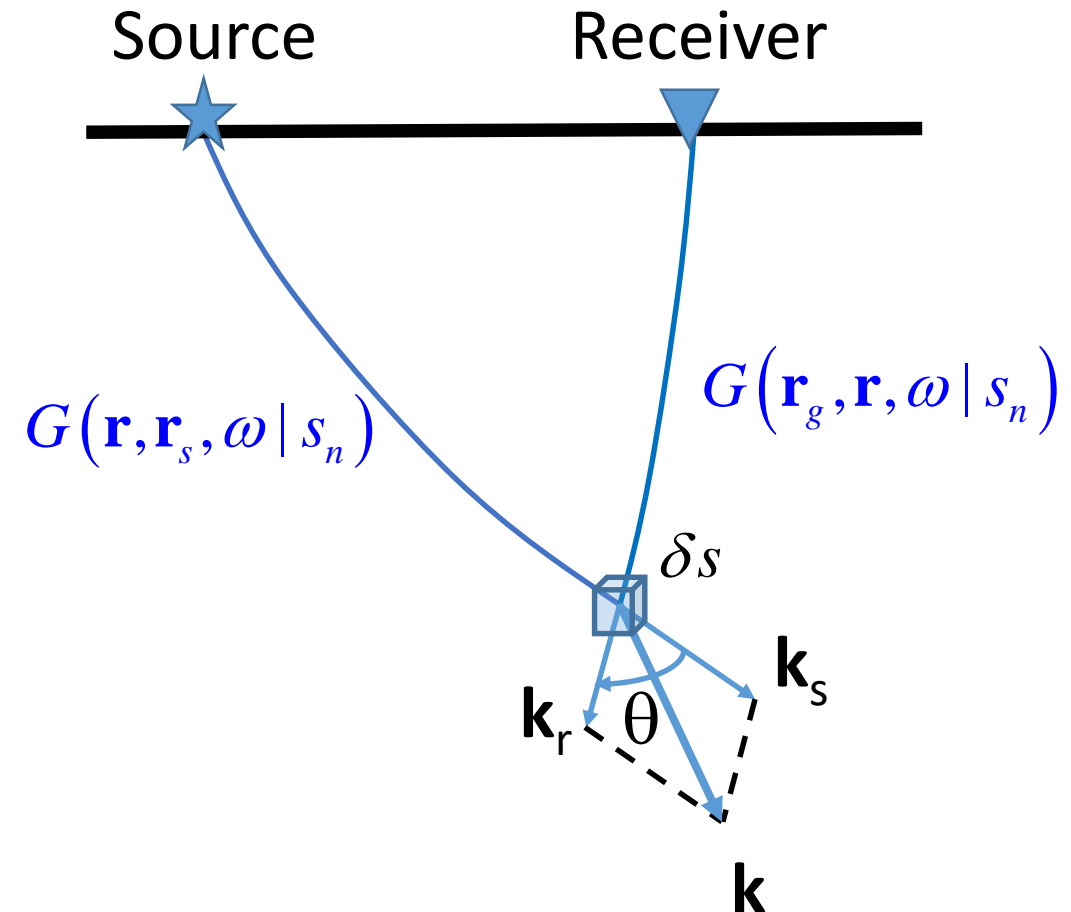
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# Nonlinearity of FWI

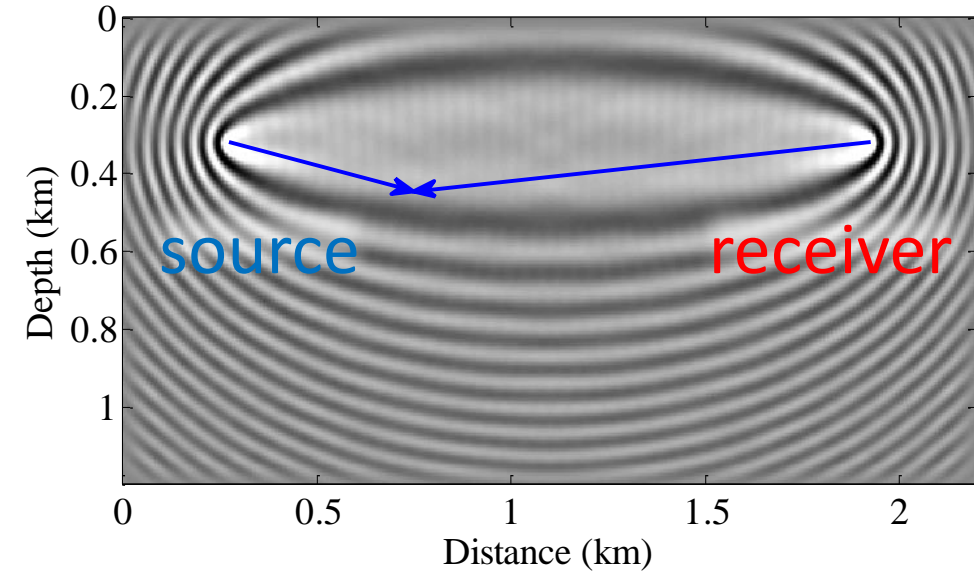
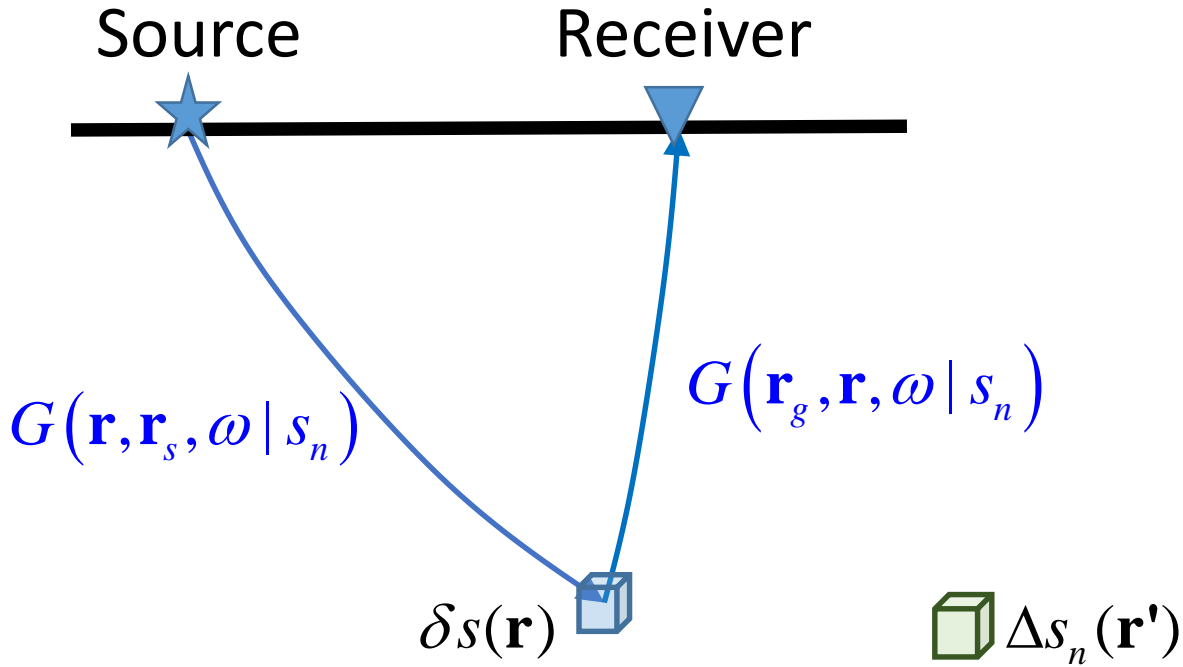
- FWI relies on the diffraction tomography principle

$$\mathbf{k} = \frac{2\omega}{v} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \mathbf{n}$$

- One frequency and one aperture map one wavenumber in the model space
- Low frequencies and wide apertures data help to recover long-to-intermediate wavelengths structures
- Nonlinearity in FWI
  - Multiscale FWI
  - Build good starting model
  - Nonlinear sensitivities

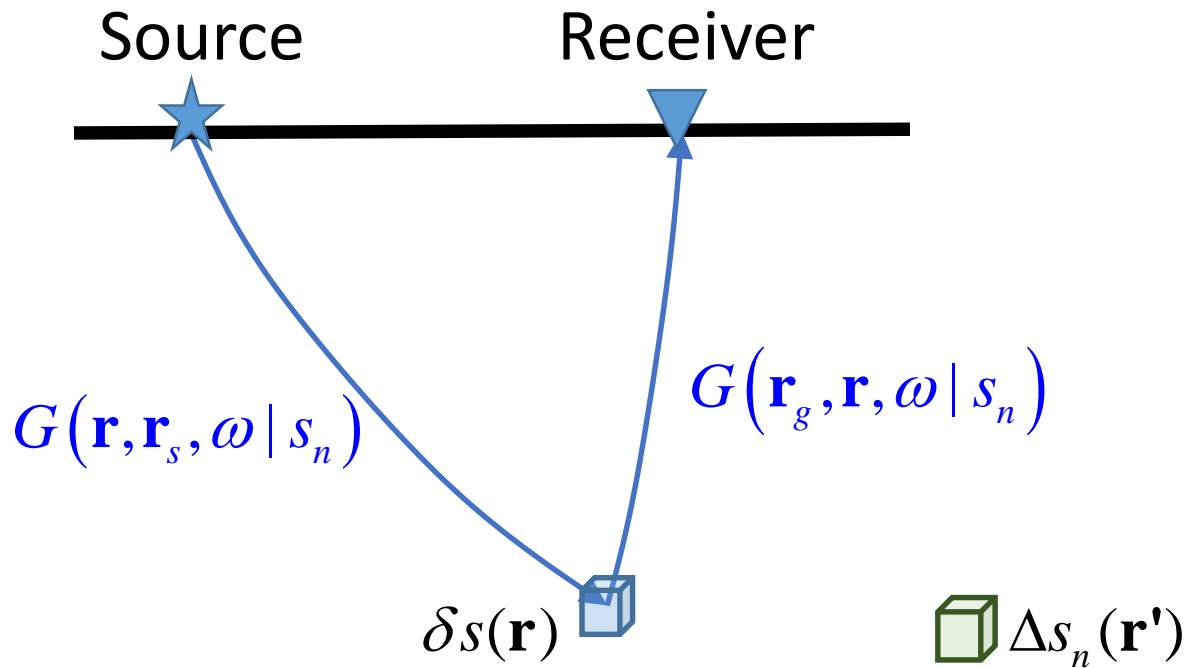


# Sensitivities: from linear to nonlinear



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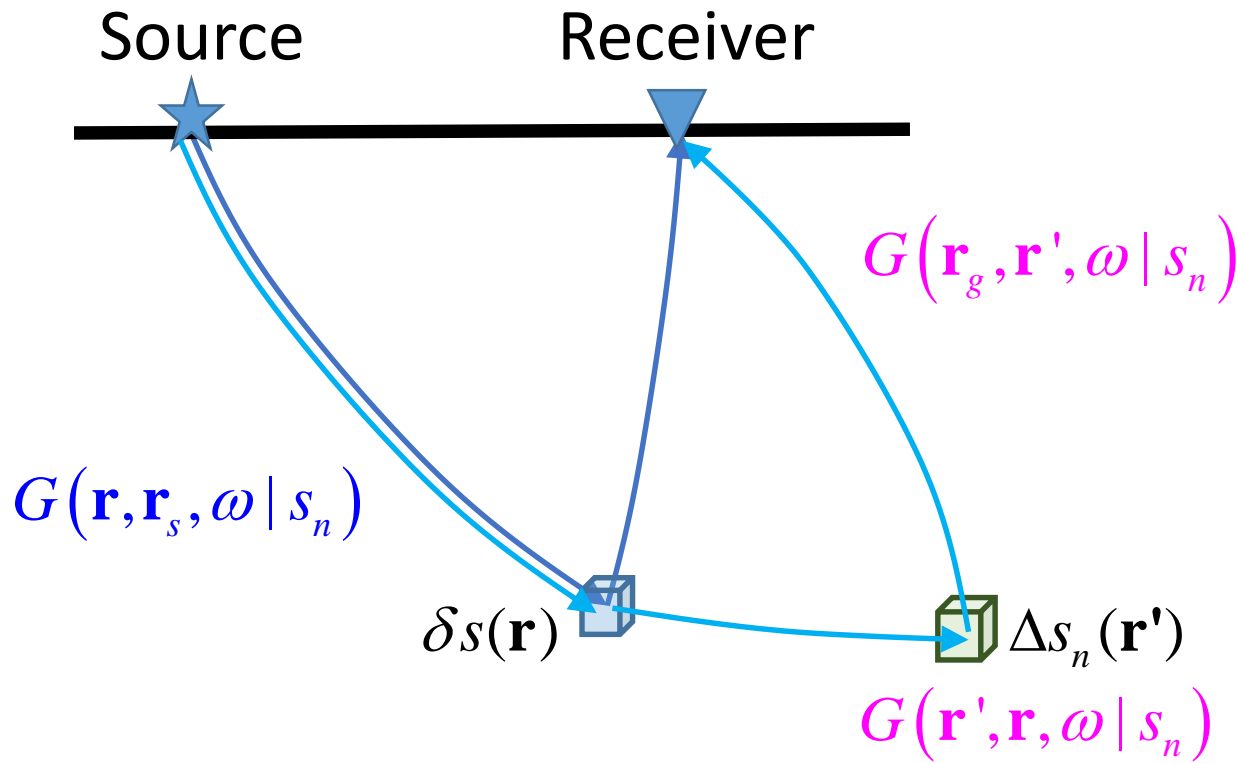
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Zero-order sensitivity

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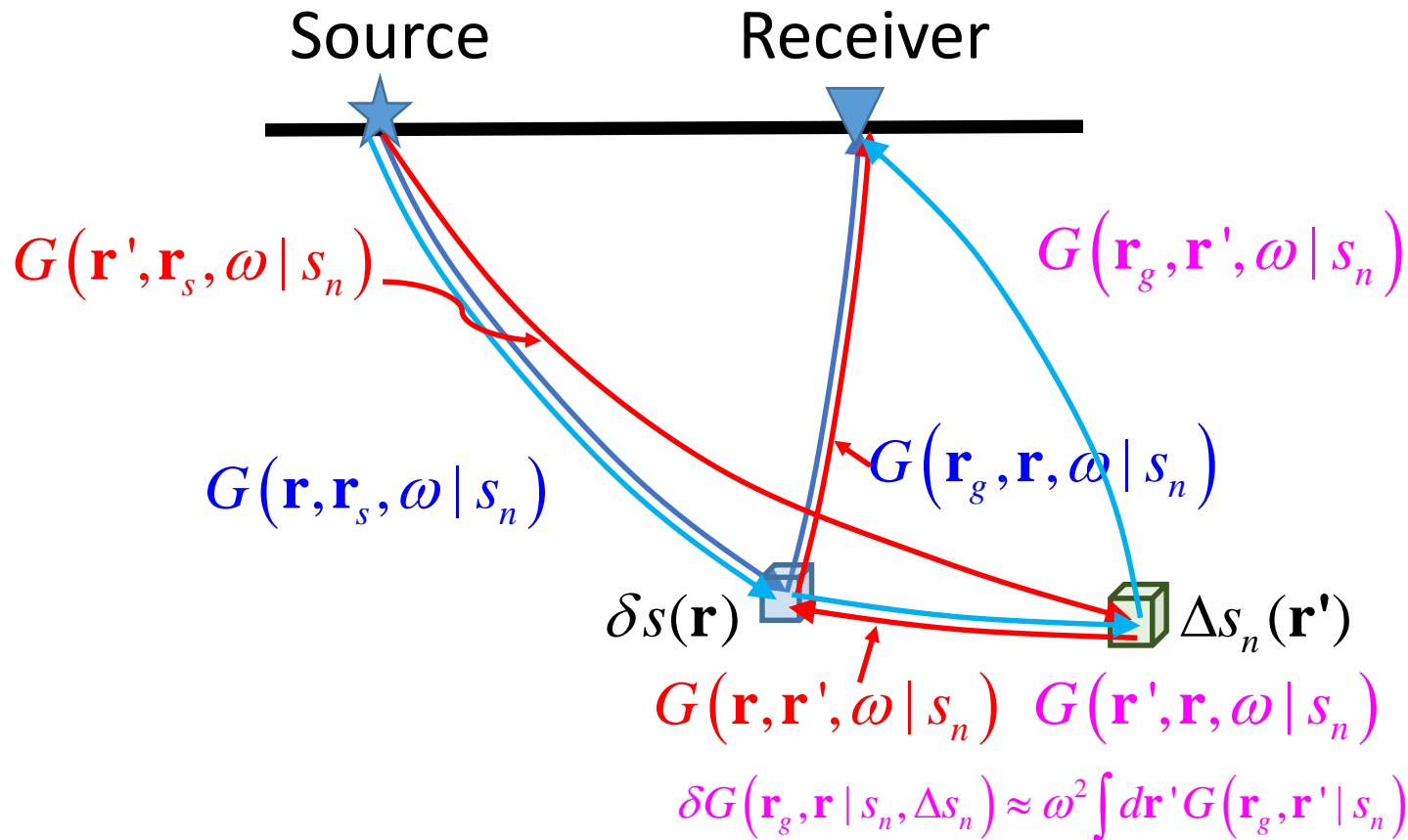
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# Sensitivities: from linear to nonlinear



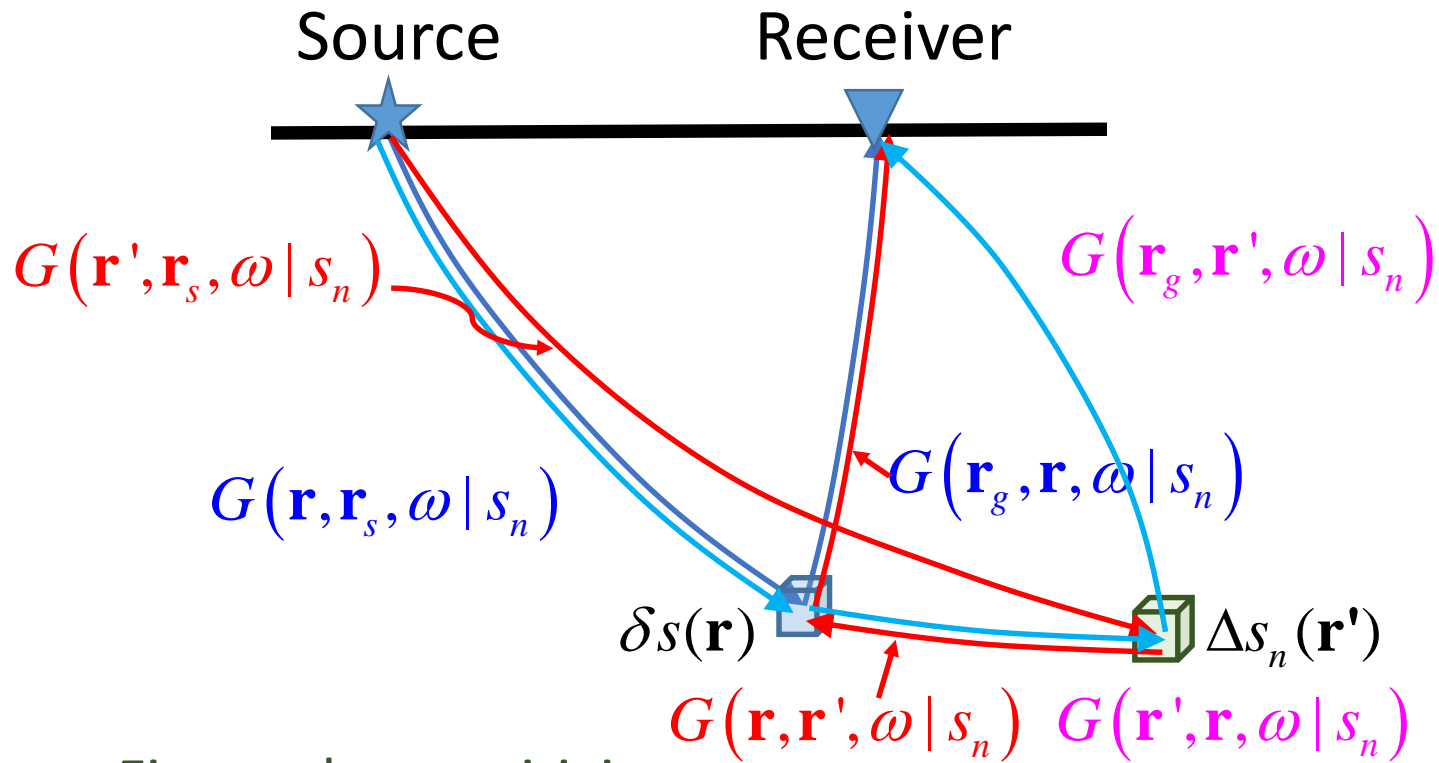
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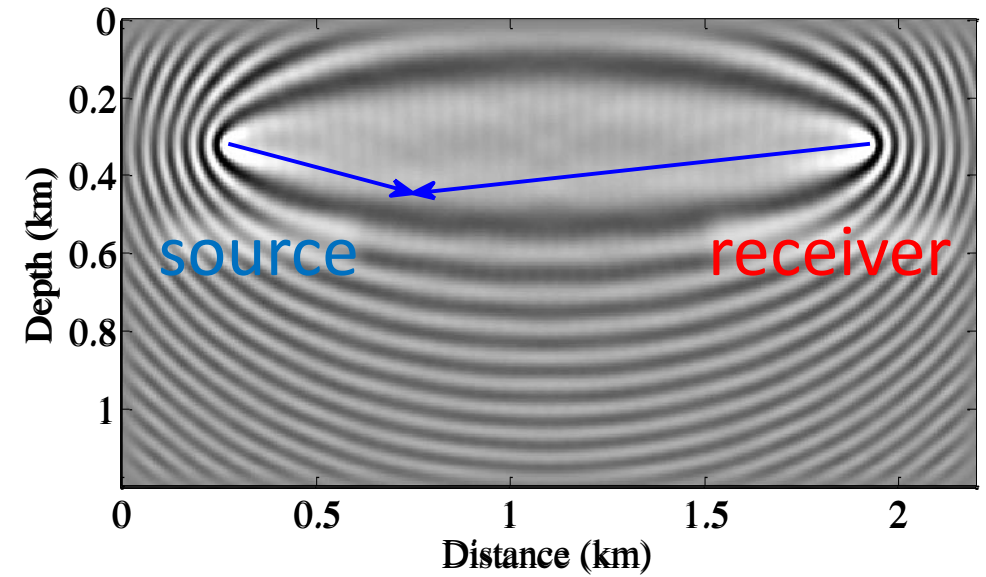
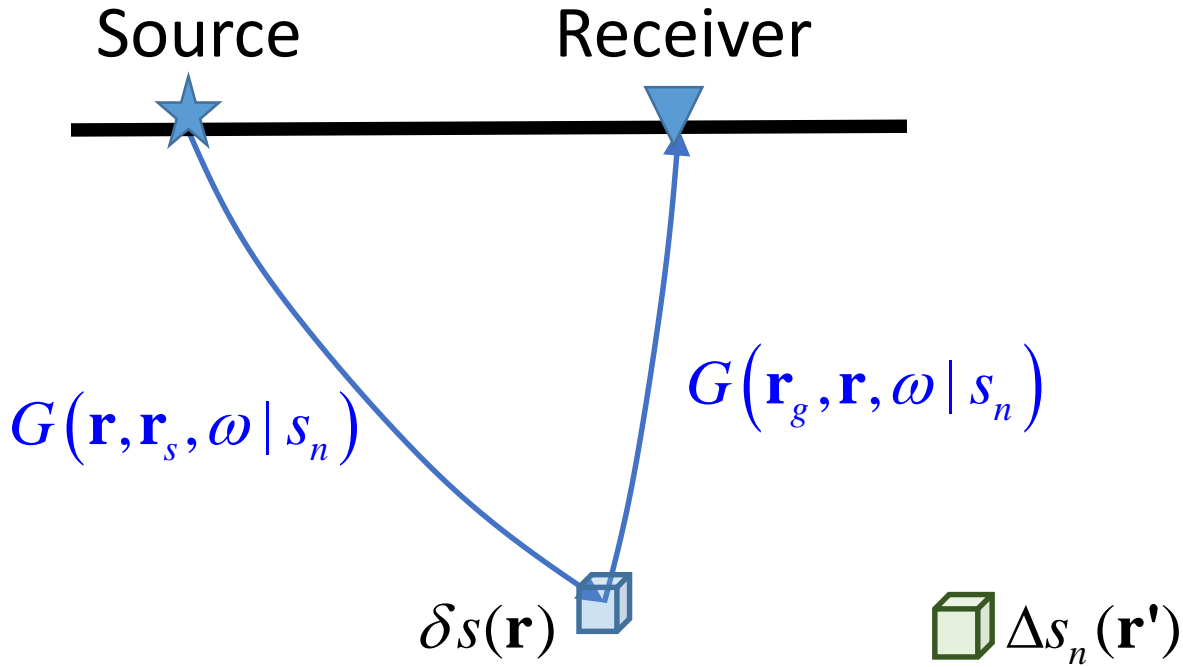
First-order sensitivity

$$\left( \frac{\partial G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s | s_{n+1})}{\partial s(\mathbf{r})} \right)_1 = \omega^2 \left[ \delta G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r} | s_n, \Delta s_n) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_s | s_n) + G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r} | s_n) \delta G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_s | s_n, \Delta s_n) \right]$$

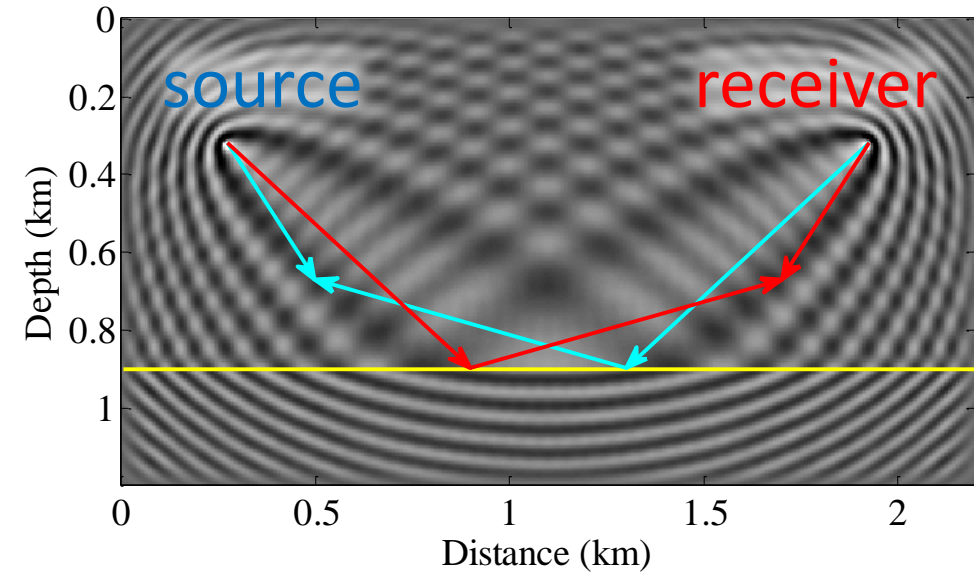
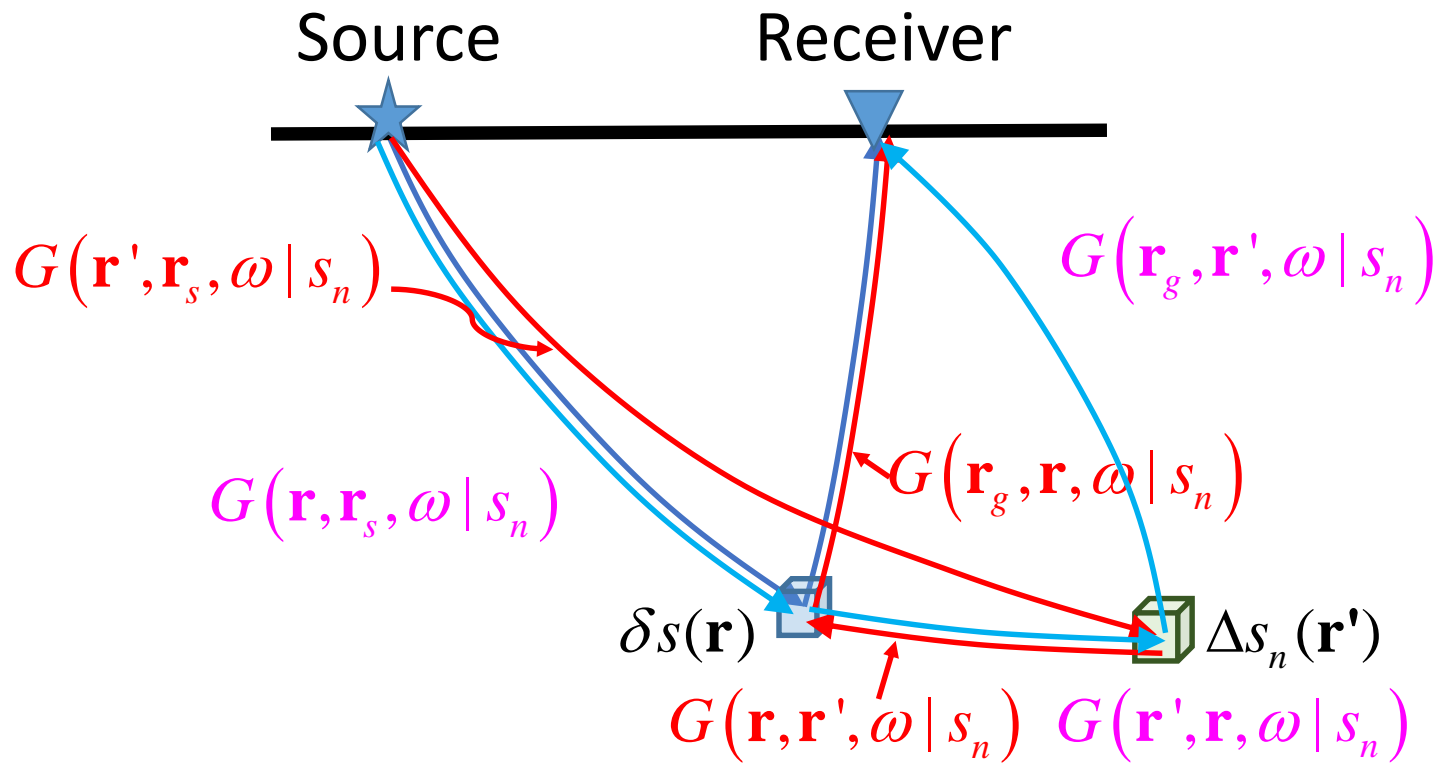
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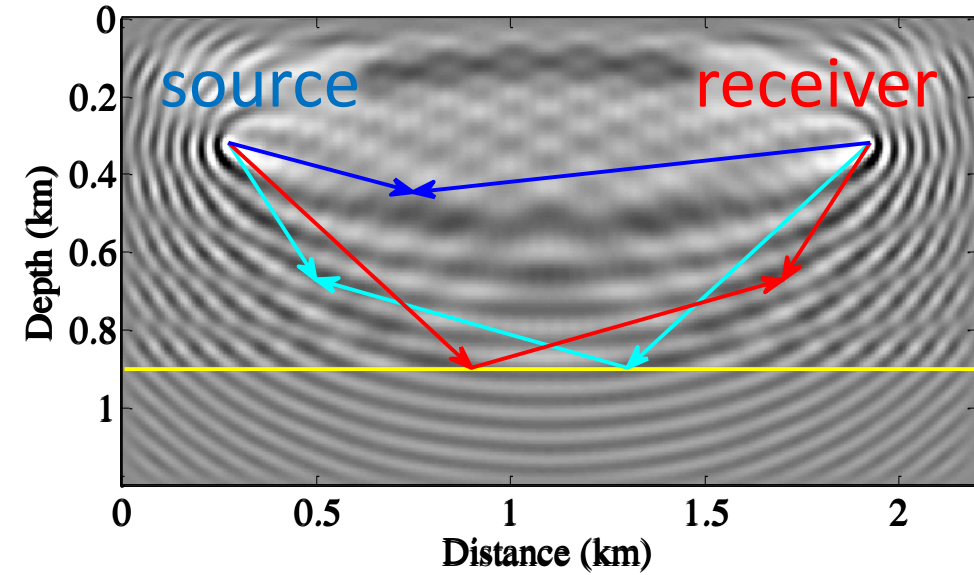
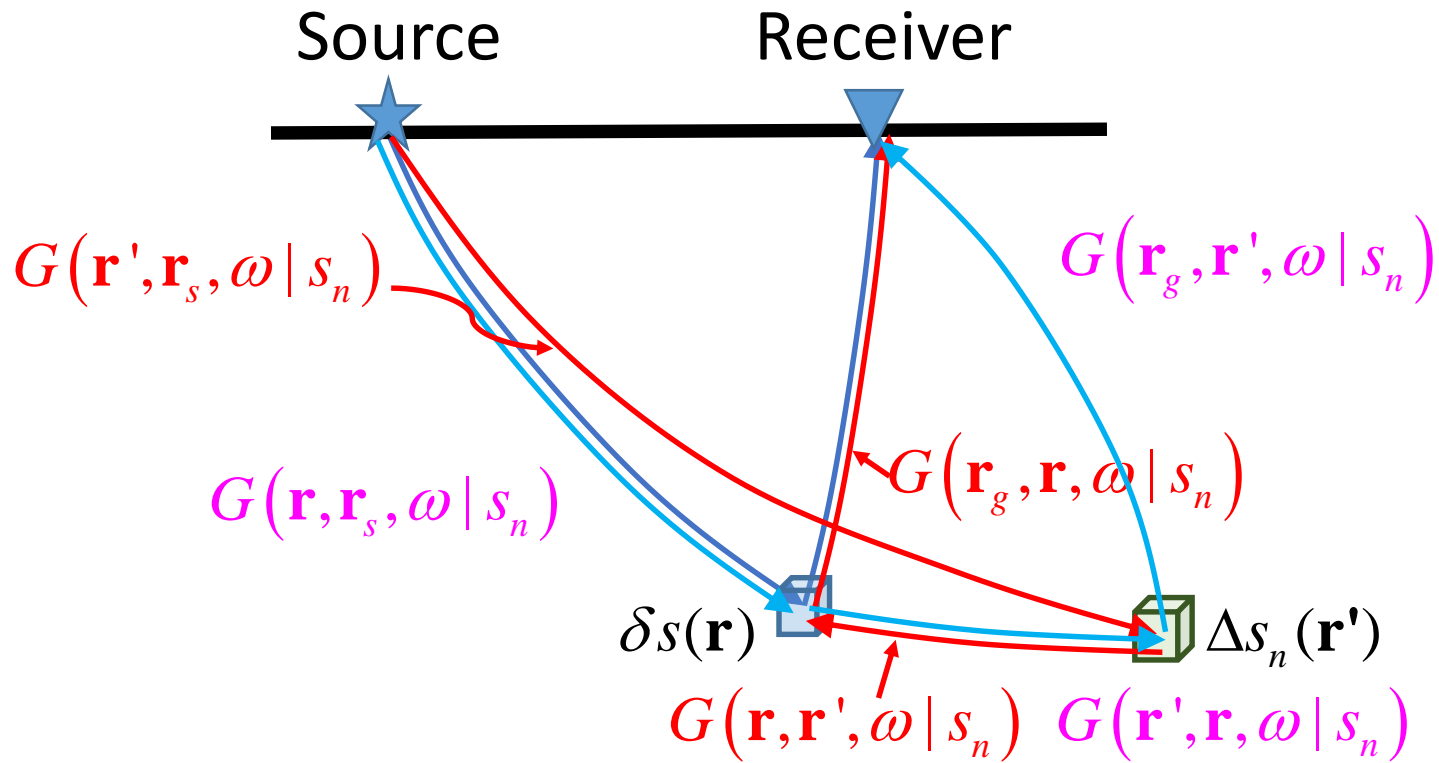
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# Determining model perturbation before n+1th iteration

- Determining perturbation before n+1th FWI iteration

Linear relationship between  $\delta P$  and  $\Delta s$

$$\delta P(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) = \omega^2 \int d\mathbf{r}' G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}', \omega | s_n) \Delta s(\mathbf{r}') G(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) + \dots$$

Difference between **true model** and **the current updated model  $S_n$**

- Direct nonlinear inverse scattering
- Approach by the solution of a linear inverse problem

# Determining model perturbation before n+1th iteration

- Misfit function

$$\phi(\delta\tilde{s}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_s} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_g} \sum_{\omega} \left\| \underbrace{\delta P(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n)}_{\text{data residual}} - \underbrace{\delta P_{cal}(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n)}_{\text{calculated data residual}} \right\|^2$$

- Update  $\delta\tilde{s}$  iteratively

$$\tilde{g}_m(\mathbf{r}) = - \sum_{\mathbf{r}_s} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_g} \sum_{\omega} \text{Re} \left( \omega^2 G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}, \omega | s_n) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) \delta S_m^*(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) \right)$$

$$\delta\tilde{s}_{m+1}(\mathbf{r}) = \delta\tilde{s}_m(\mathbf{r}) - \alpha_m \tilde{g}_m(\mathbf{r})$$

# Nonlinear FWI

- Direct update of the model (**DWI**)

$$\tilde{s}_{n+1}(\mathbf{r}) = s_n(\mathbf{r}) + \delta\tilde{s}(\mathbf{r})$$

- Nonlinear FWI with gradient

$$g_n(\mathbf{r}) = -\sum_{\mathbf{r}_s} \sum_{\mathbf{r}_g} \sum_{\omega} \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{\partial G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | \tilde{s}_{n+1})}{\partial s(\mathbf{r})} \delta P^*(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) \right)$$

- **FOFWI**:

Data residual in  $s_n$

- **NFWI**:

Data residual in  $\tilde{s}_{n+1}$

$$= \omega^2 \left[ G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}, \omega | s_n) + \delta G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}, \omega | s_n, \delta\tilde{s}) G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n) + G(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}, \omega | s_n) \delta G(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n, \delta\tilde{s}) \right]$$

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# Two-iteration nonlinear FWI

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**Algorithm 2** Algorithm for frequency domain nonlinear FWI

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**Output:** Inverted model  $s_n$

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1: for  $\omega = \omega_{min}, \dots, \omega_{max}$  do                                 $\triangleright$  Frequency loop
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3:     Get data residual  $\delta P(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n)$ 
4:
5:
6:
7:
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10:
11:
12:     Calculate nonlinear gradient (equation (33) or (39))
13:     Calculate the step length  $\mu_n$  using the line search method
14:     Update to  $s_{n+1}$  (equation (8))
15:   end for
16: end for
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No inner iteration  $\Rightarrow$  FWI

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6:       Calculate  $\delta P_{cal}(\mathbf{r}_g, \mathbf{r}_s, \omega | s_n)$ 
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13:      Direct update
14:

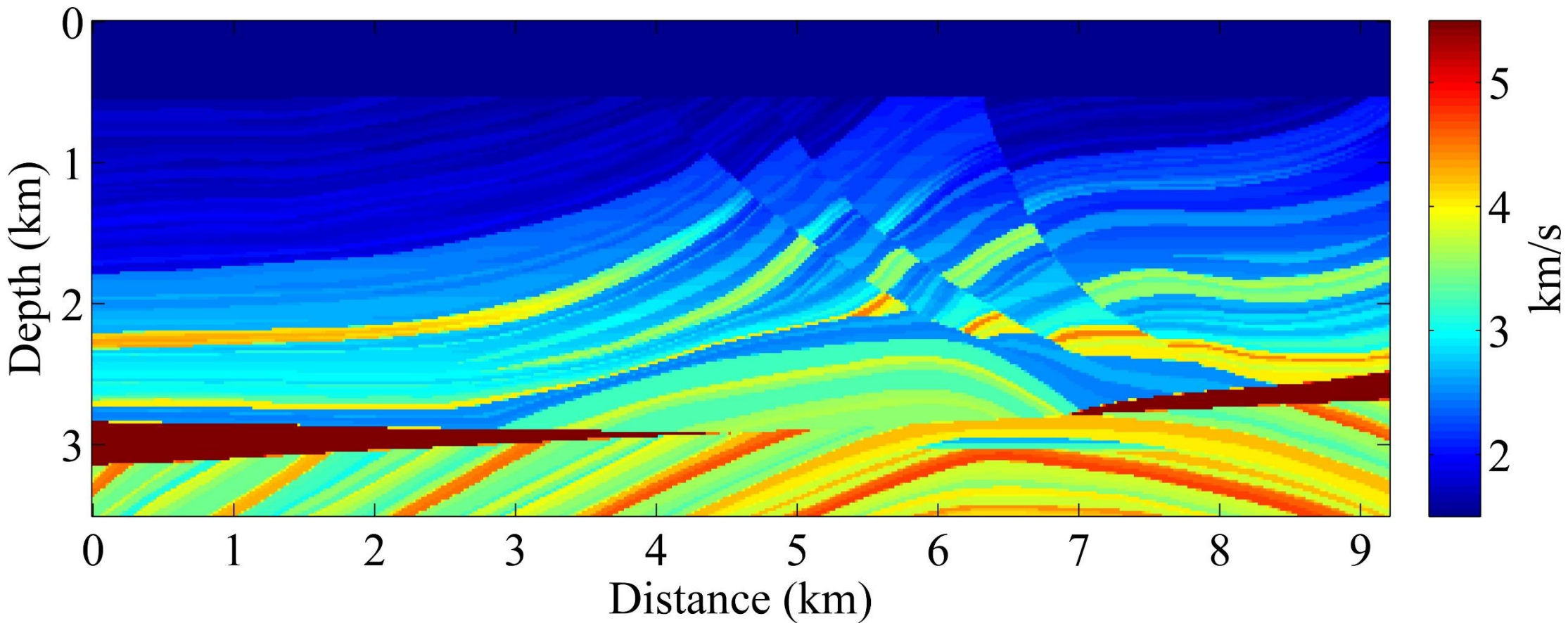

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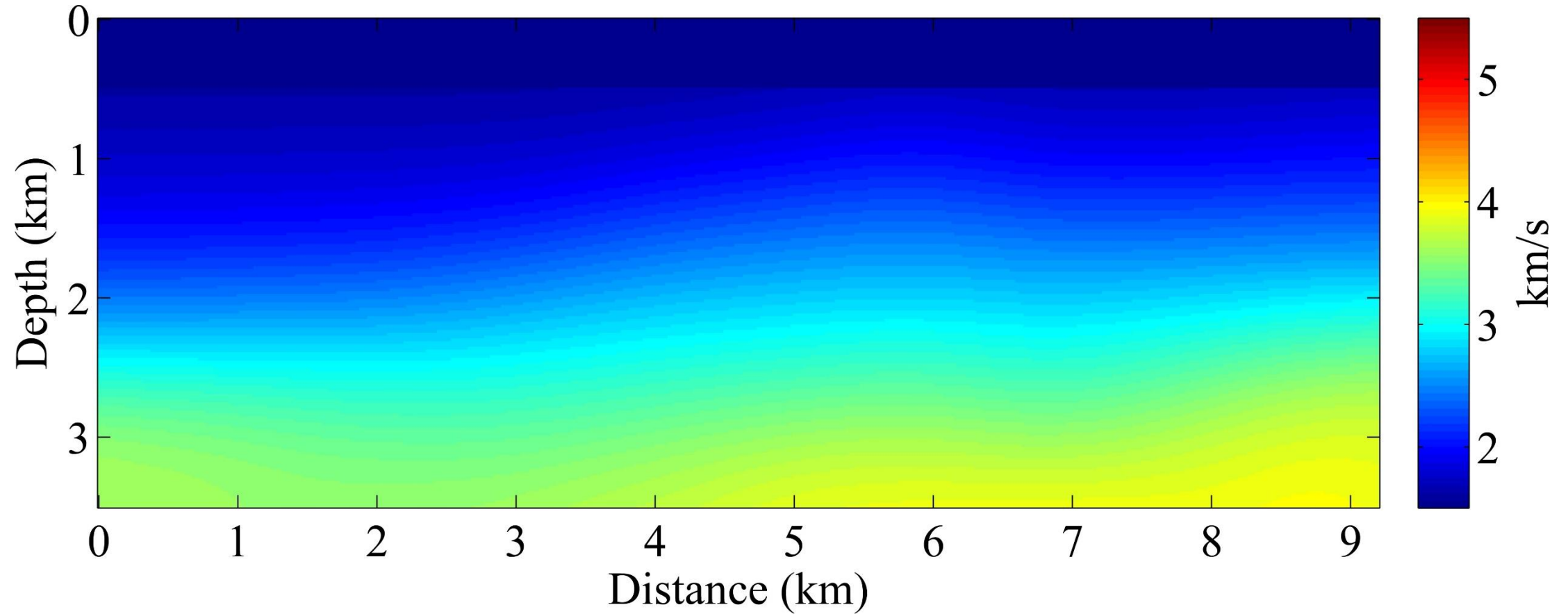
# Numerical examples

- 2D Marmousi model with added water layer
  - Model size  $3.5\text{km} \times 9.2\text{km}$  with  $20\text{m}$  interval
  - 46 sources with  $200\text{m}$  spacing, starting from  $100\text{m}$
  - 461 receivers with  $20\text{m}$  spacing, starting from  $0\text{m}$
- Test with different initial model
  - True model smoothed with Gaussian window
  - Vertically linearly increasing model ( $1500\text{-}4000\text{m/s}$ )
- Test with different frequency range
  - Starting from  $2\text{Hz}$  to  $15\text{Hz}$  ( $2\text{Hz}$ ,  $3.3\text{Hz}$ ,  $5.5\text{Hz}$ ,  $9\text{Hz}$ ,  $14.9\text{Hz}$ )
  - Starting from  $4\text{Hz}$  to  $15\text{Hz}$ 
    - $4\text{Hz}$ ,  $6.6\text{Hz}$ ,  $14.9\text{Hz}$
    - 12 frequencies with  $1\text{Hz}$  interval

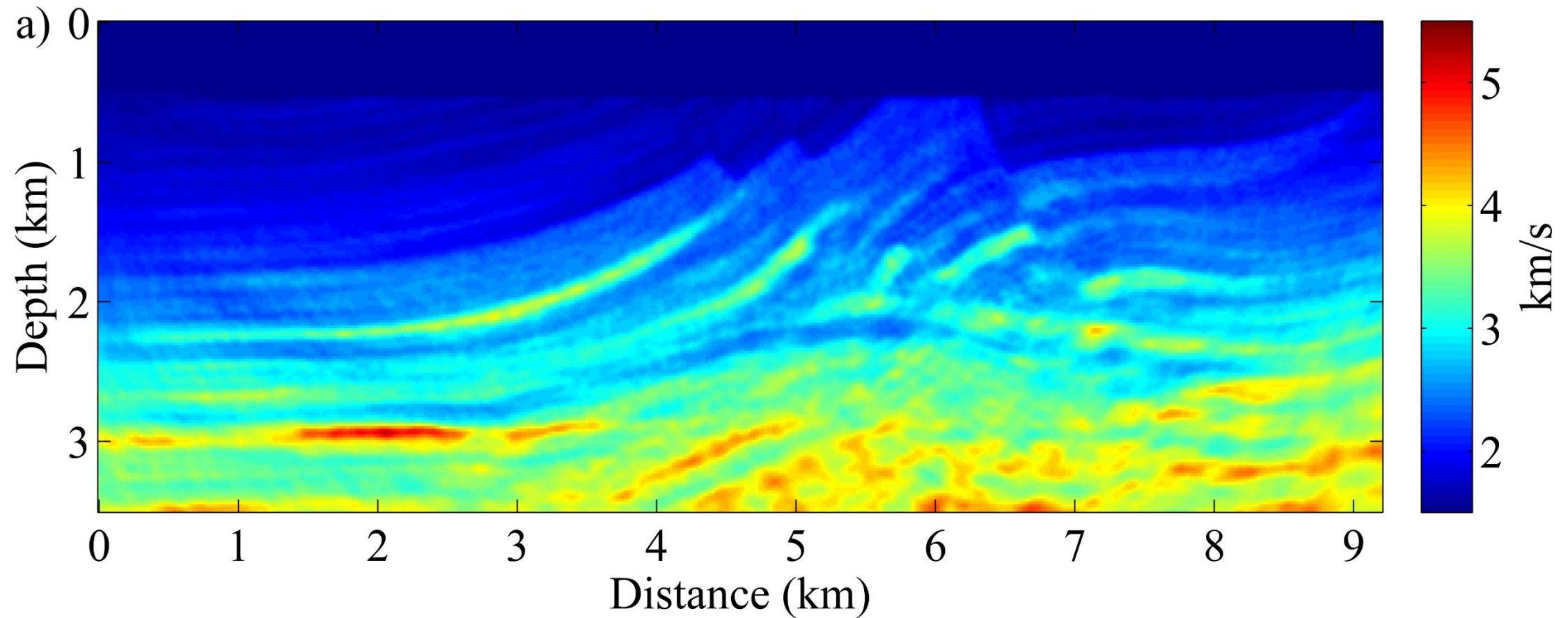
# True Marmousi model



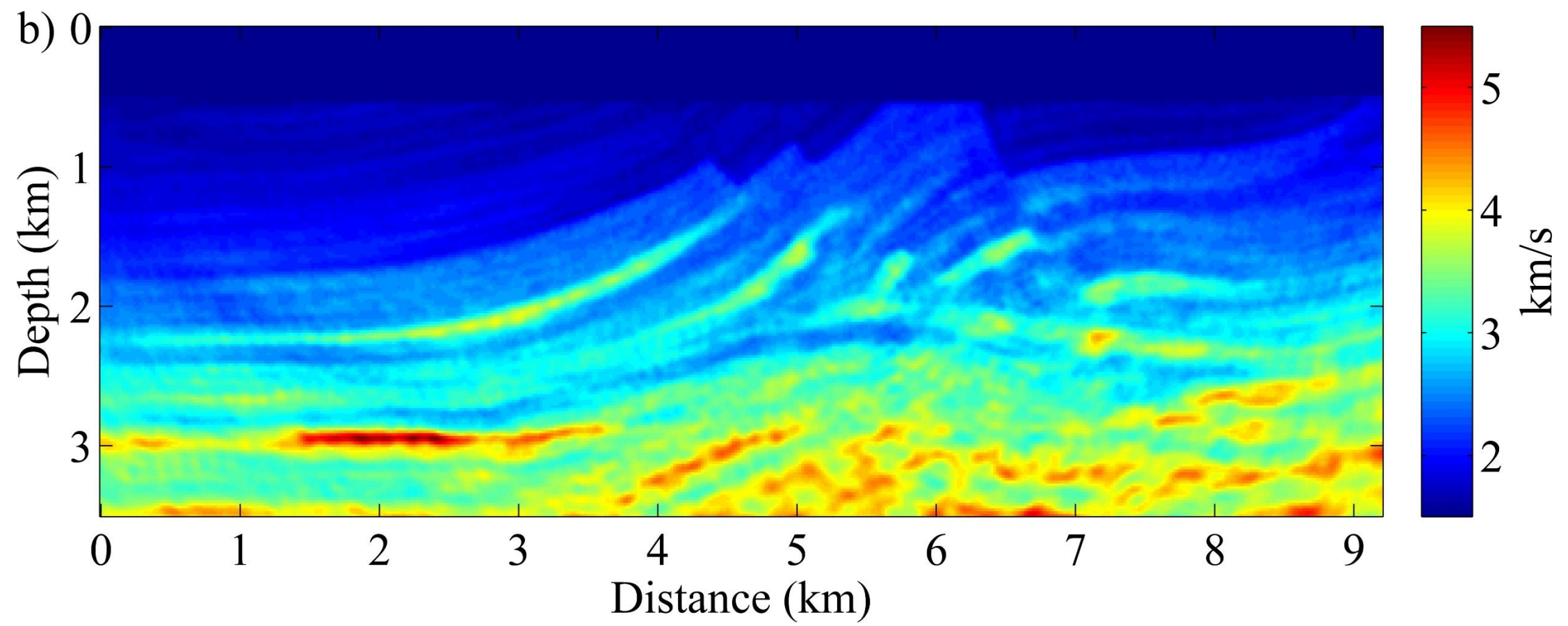
# Initial model obtained after smooth the true model



# FWI result with 10 iterations for 3 frequencies (4-15Hz)

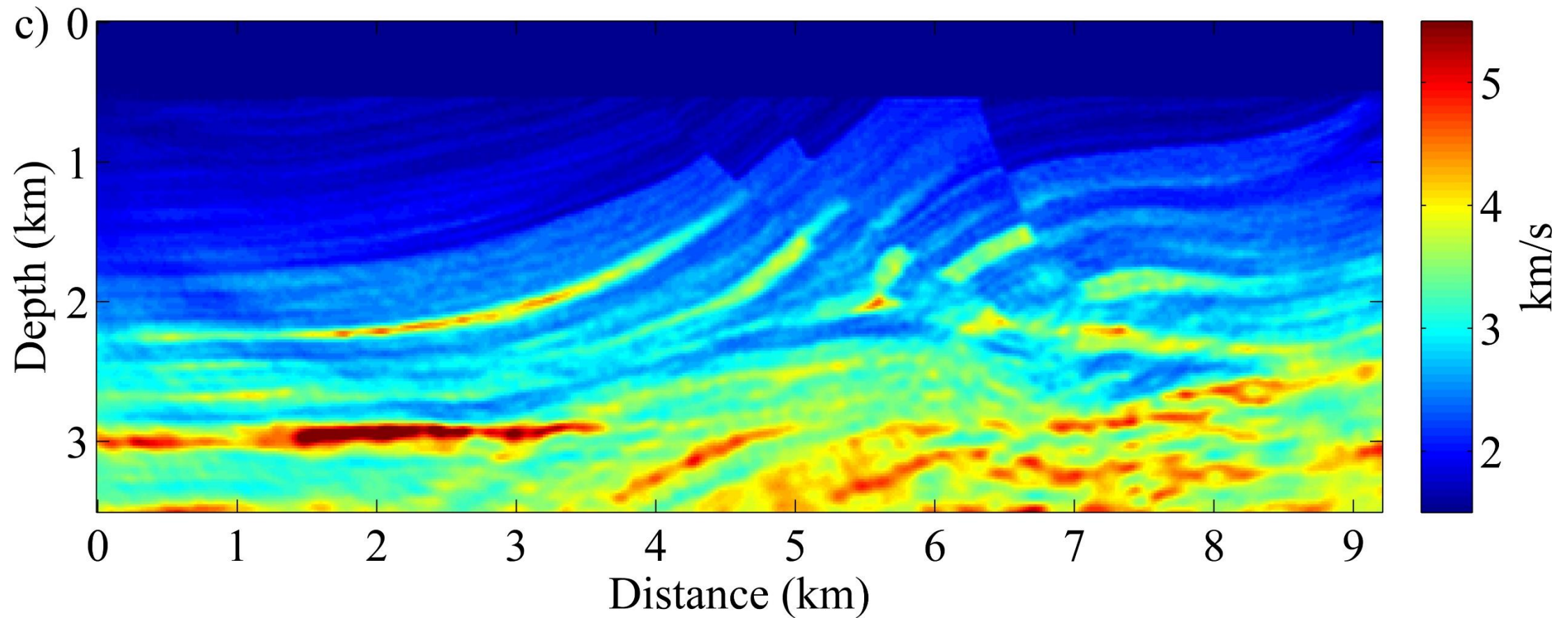


# FOFWI result with 10 iterations for 3 frequencies (4-15Hz)

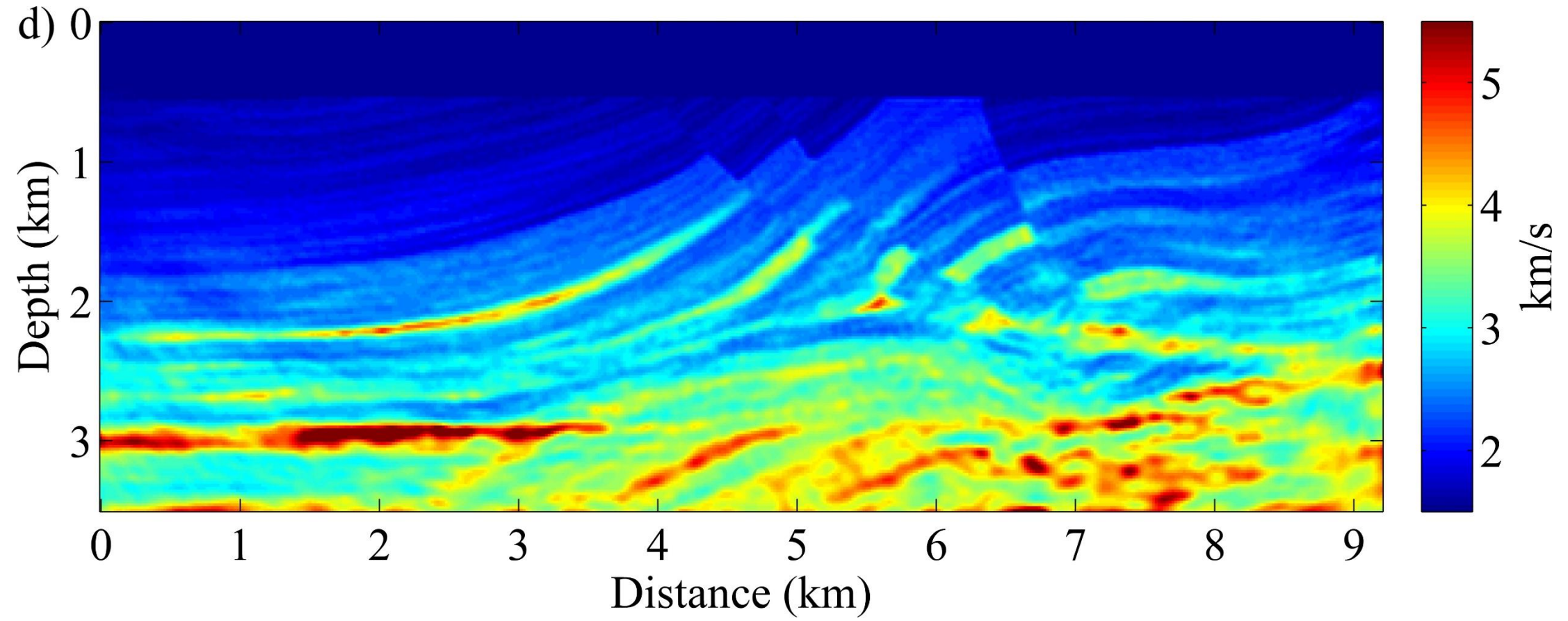




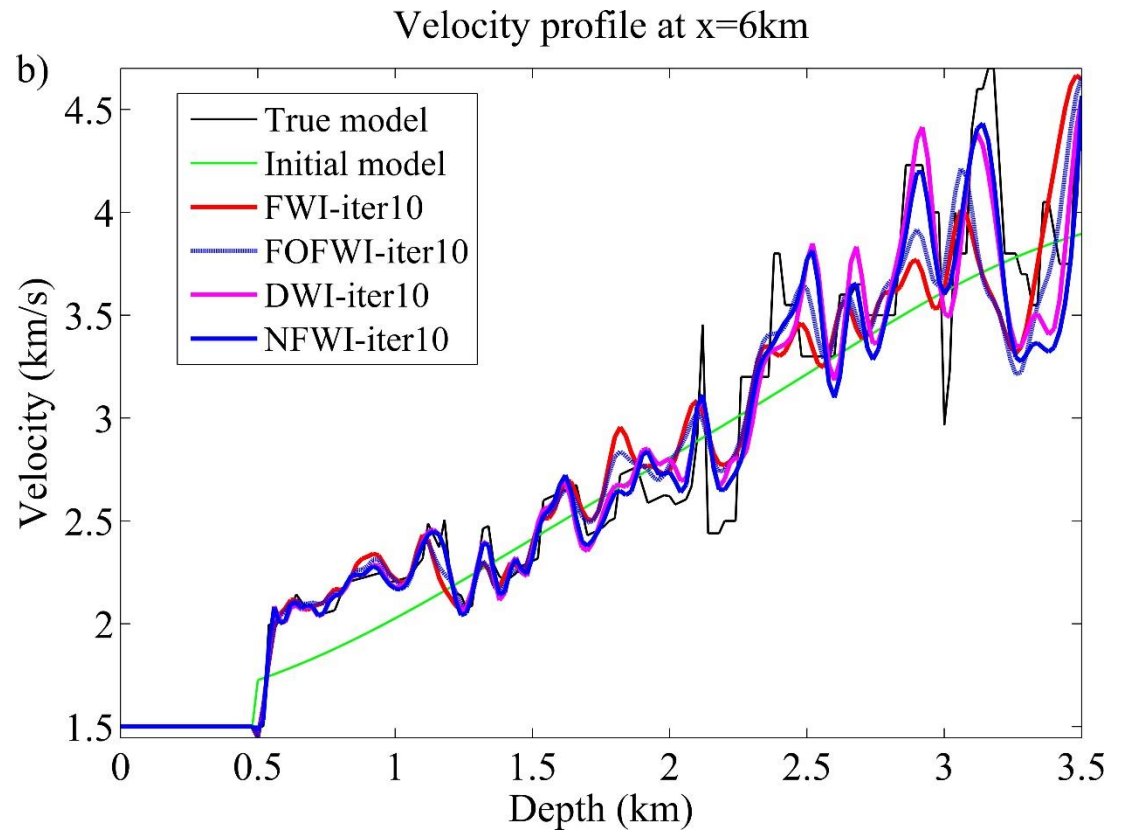
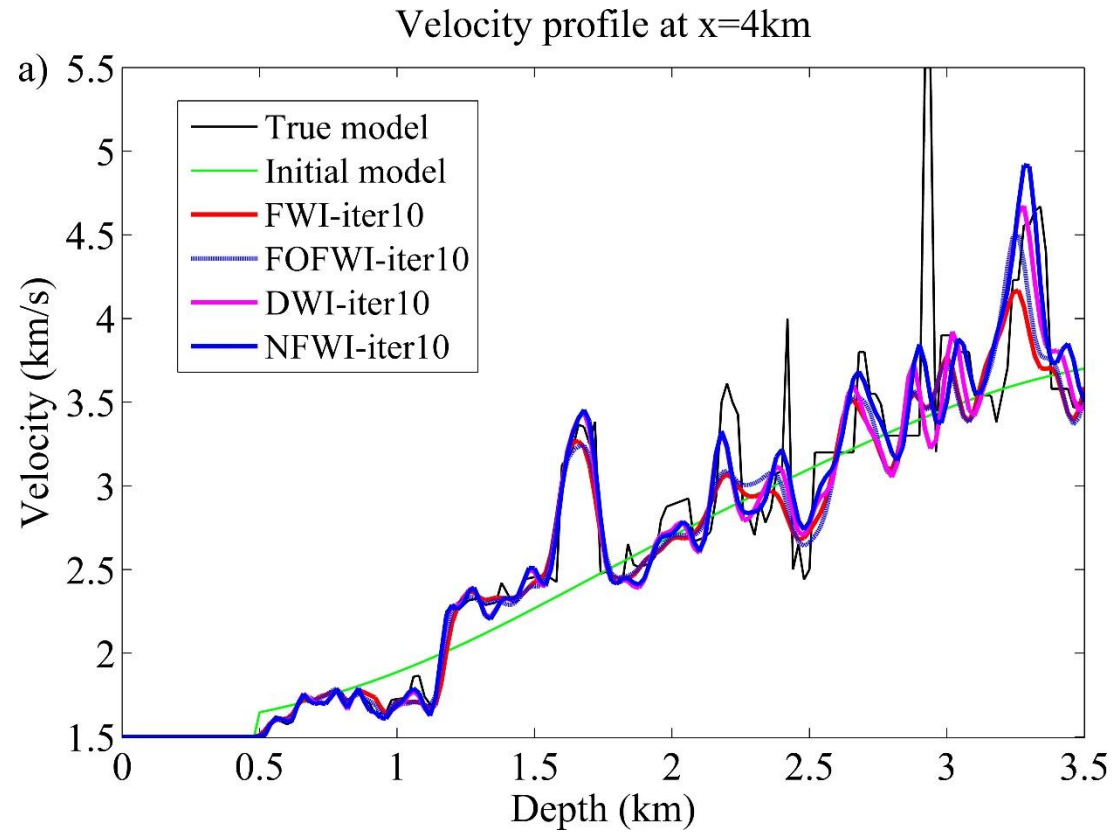
# DWI result with 10 iterations for 3 frequencies (4-15Hz)



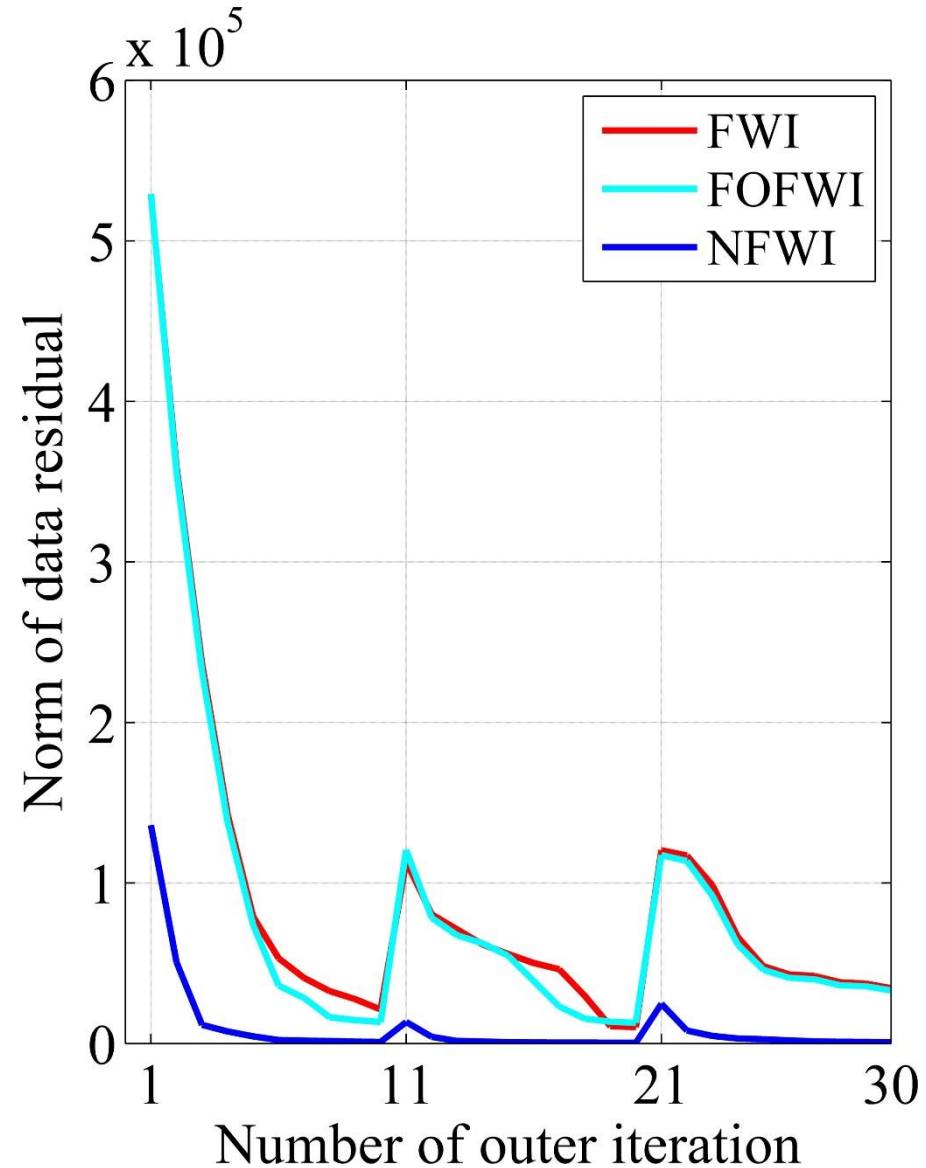
# NFWI result with 10 iterations for 3 frequencies (4-15Hz)



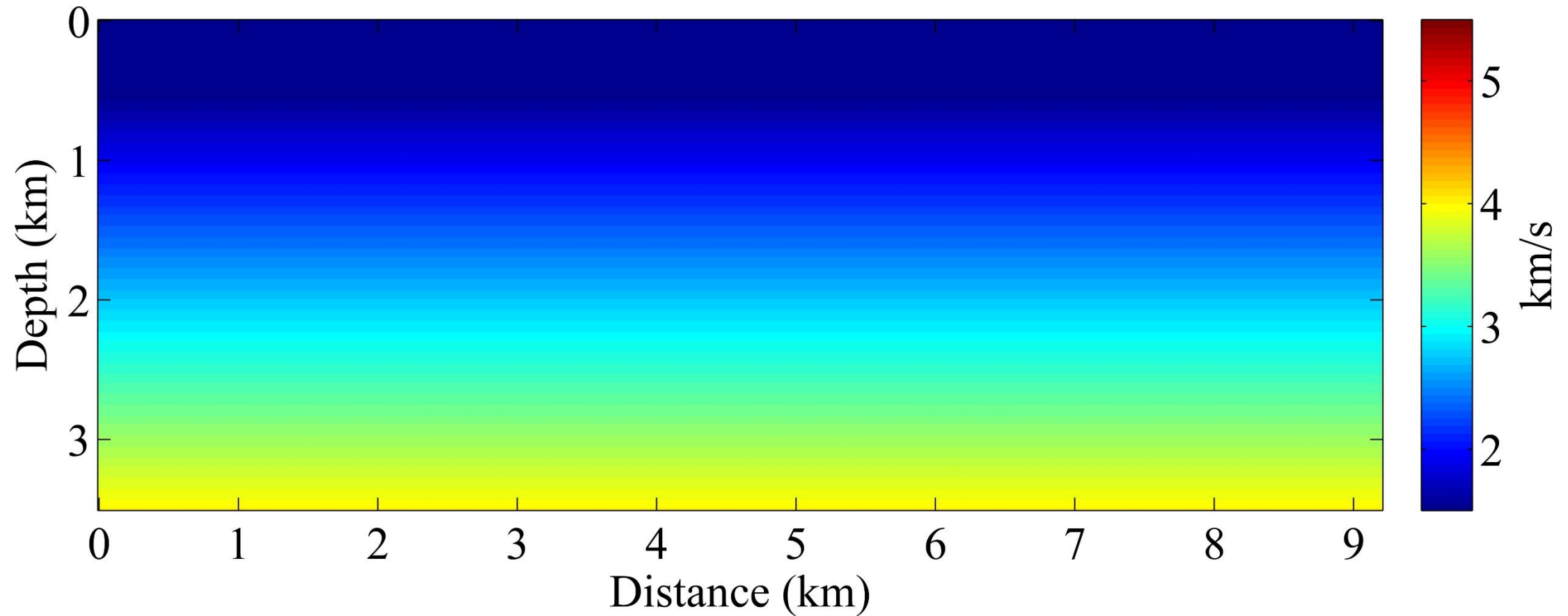
# Velocity profiles



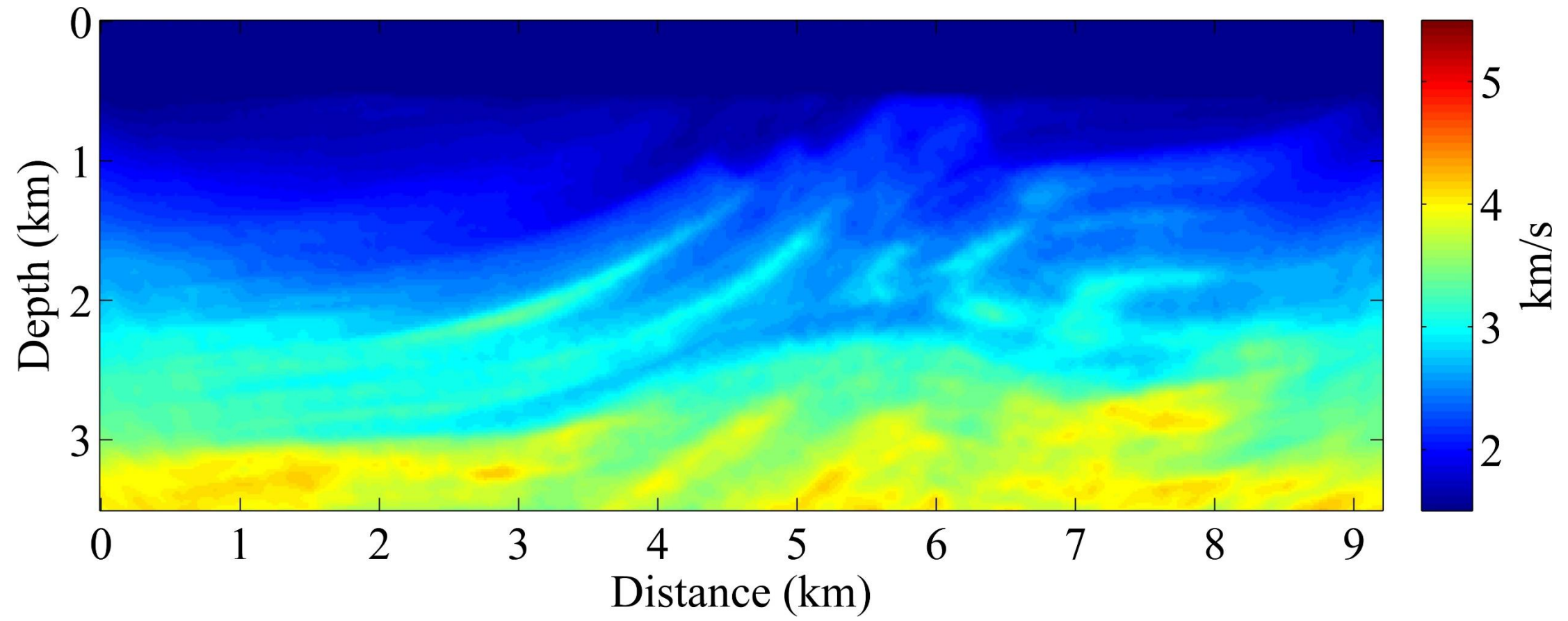
# Data residual vs iteration number



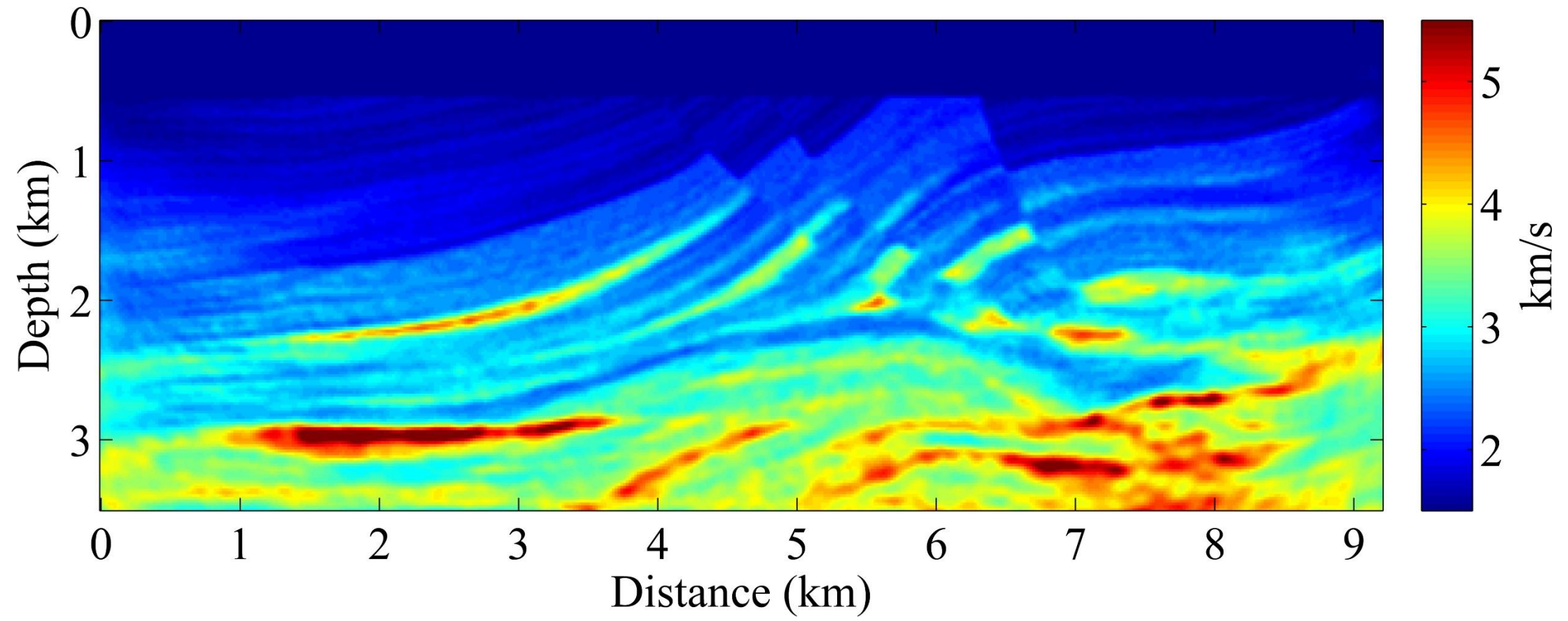
# Initial model (linearly changed from 1.5km/s to 4km/s along z)



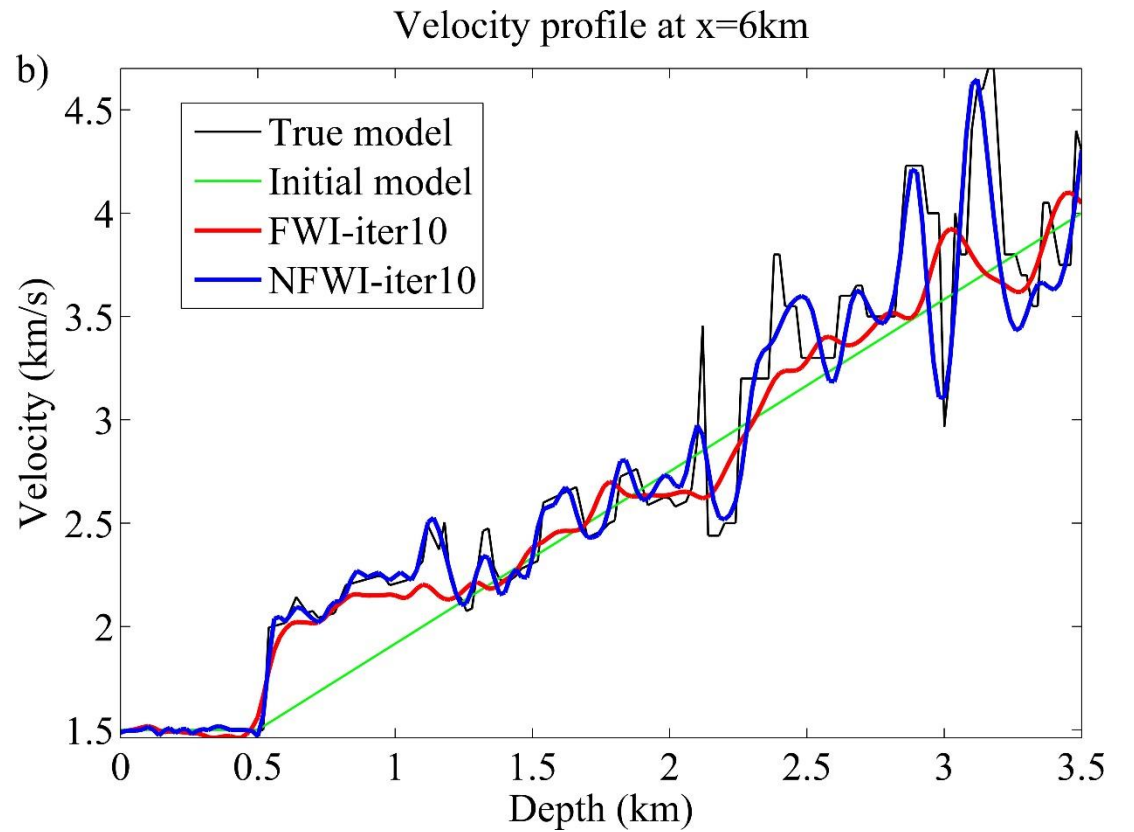
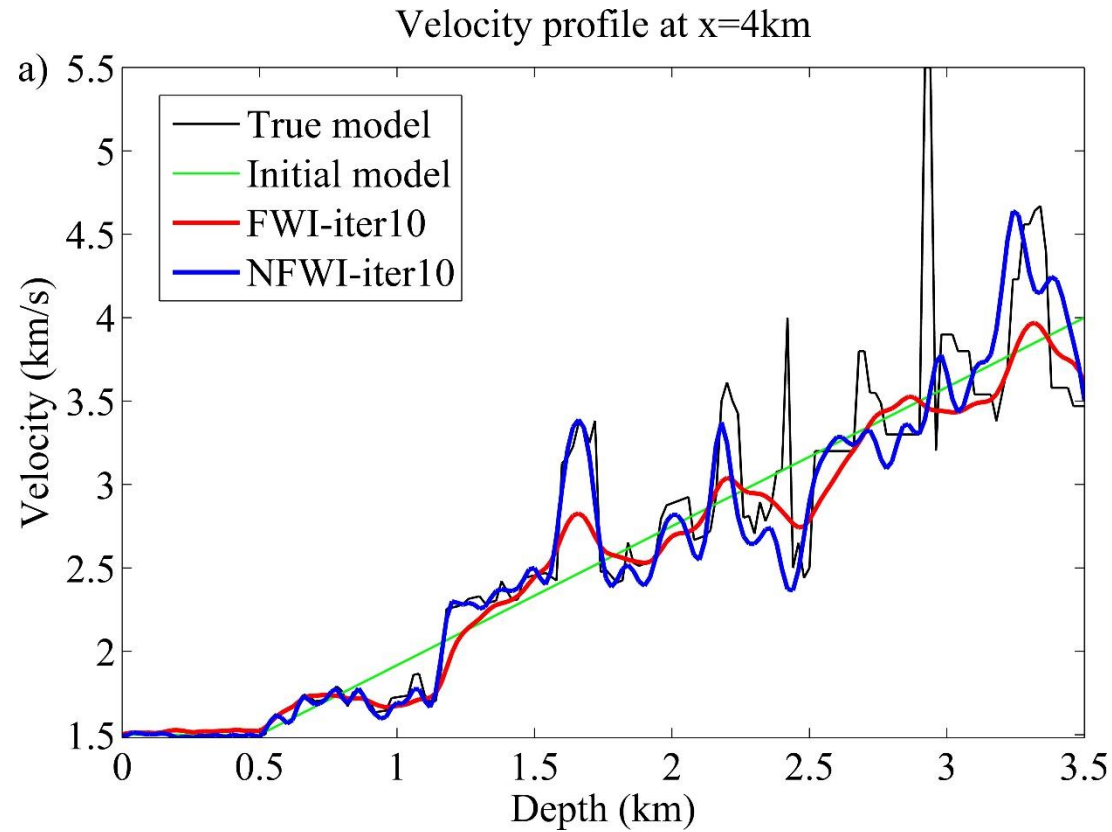
# FWI result with 10 iterations for 5 frequencies (2-15Hz)



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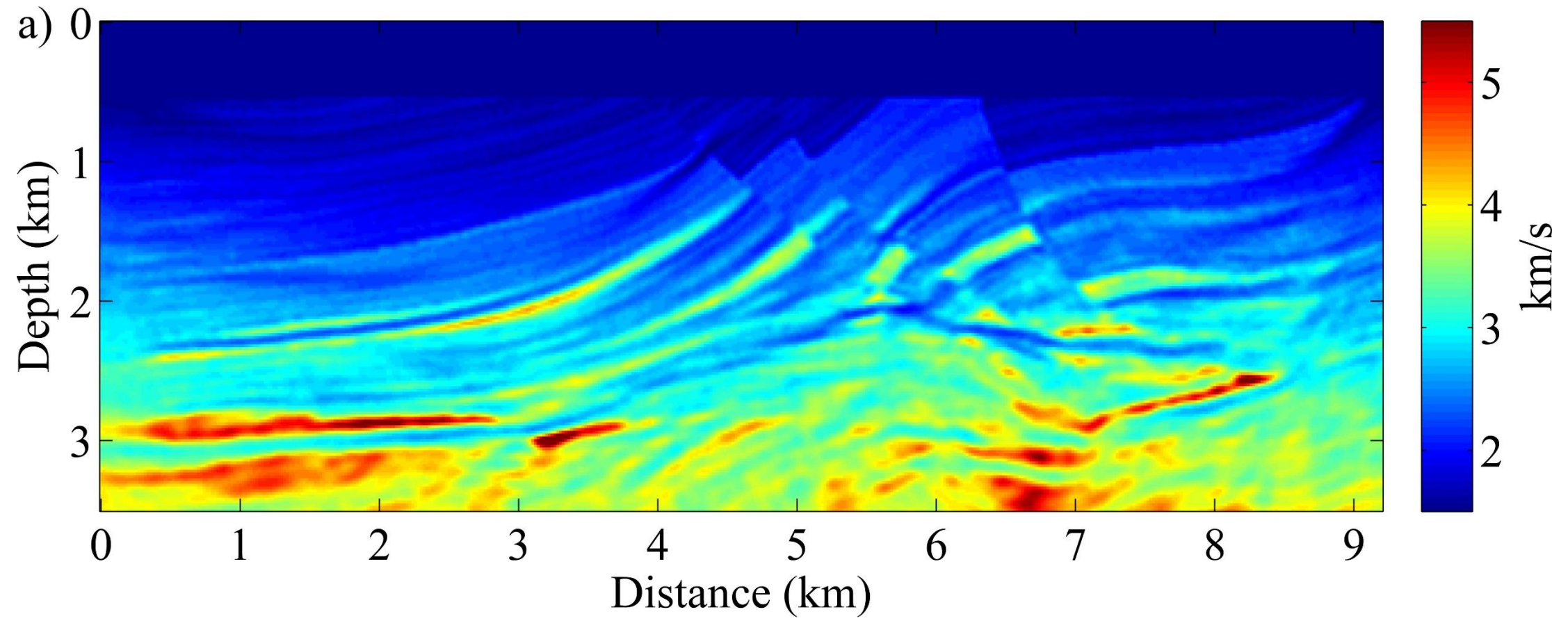


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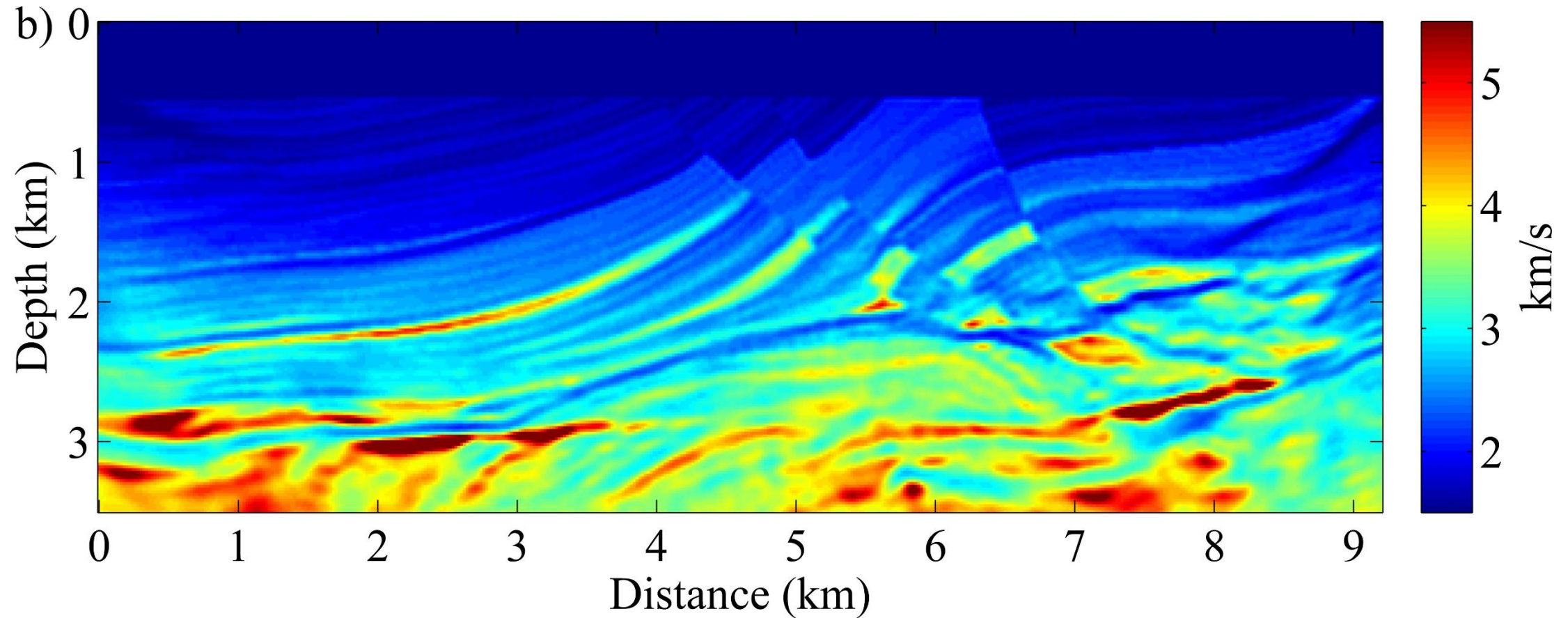




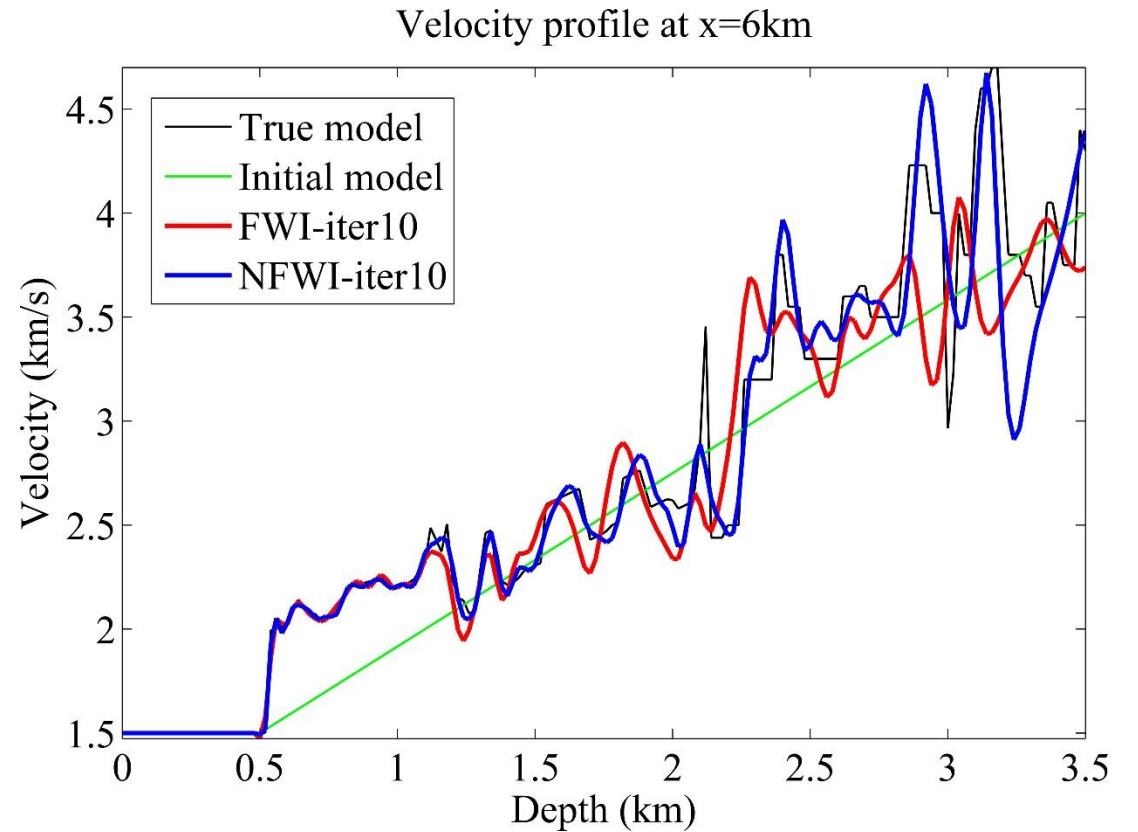
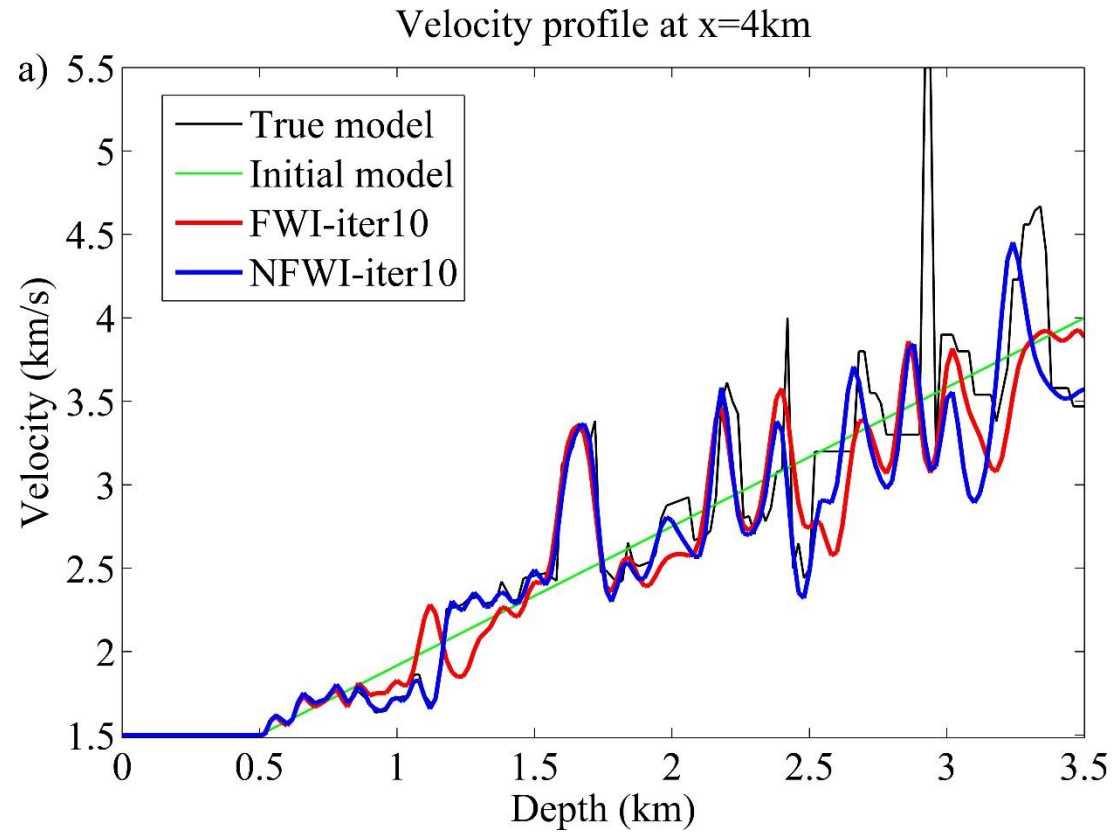
# FWI result with 10 iterations for 12 frequencies (4-15Hz)



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# Velocity profiles



# Conclusions

- Nonlinear sensitivities provide the possibility to better handle the nonlinearity in FWI
  - Update the long wavelength components in the deeper regions as well as the shallow regions
  - Help to converge faster
- A two-iteration nonlinear FWI approach
  - Using data residual from the current iteration to perform a linear inversion to update perturbation
  - Using perturbation to construct gradient

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