

# Towards characterization of intrinsic and stratigraphic Q in VSP data with information measures

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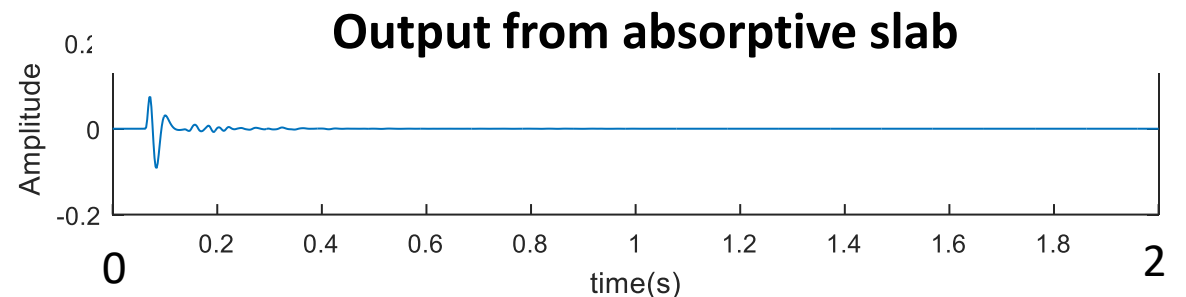
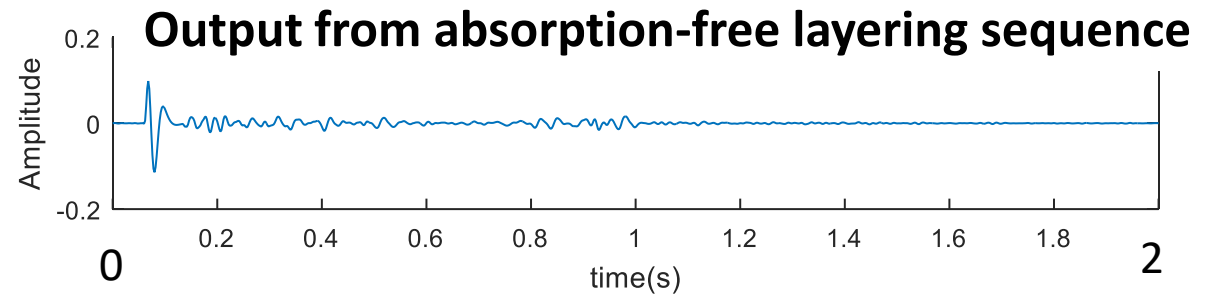
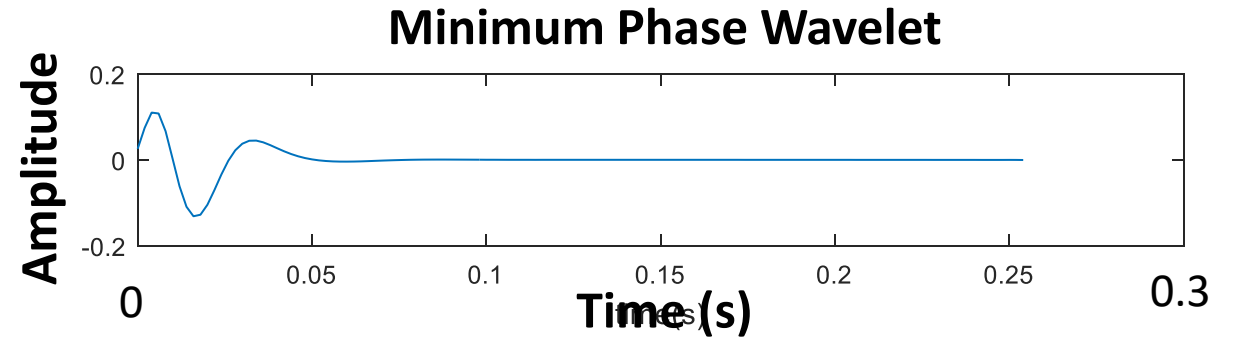
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## 1. Stratigraphic filtering:

interbed reverberations --> apparent amplitude attenuation

## 2. Stratigraphic filtering & absorption have highly resembled effects:

- ① decay and spread waveform;
- ② reduce the high-frequency content;
- ③ append incoherent coda to the signal



3.  $|\hat{T}(\omega, \tau)| = \exp(-R(\omega)\tau)$  (O'Doherty and Anstey, 1971)

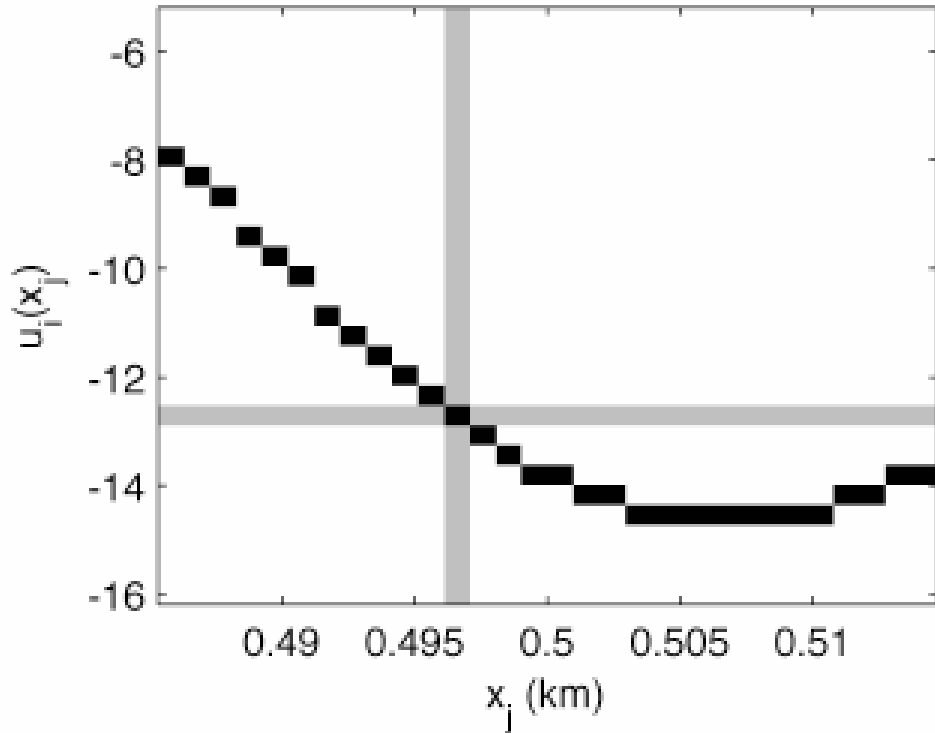
$$Q_s(\omega) = \omega/2R(\omega) \quad (\text{Banik et al., 1985})$$

$$|\hat{T}(\omega, \tau)| = \exp(-\omega\tau / 2Q_d(\omega)) \quad (\text{Aki and Richards, 1980})$$

4. **Heavy oil/Bitumen viscosity** is related to intrinsic Q (Vasheghani and Lines, 2009)

## Calculation strategy

A snapshot of discrete VSP



1. **Shannon entropy**: measures the amount of information in an **uncertain message** using **occurring probabilities** of contents.
2. “Message”: time snapshots of 1D zero-offset VSP  
“Letter”: displacement value  $u_i$
3. For  $m$  possible  $u_i$ , number of occurrences of each  $u_i$  in the snapshot:  $W(u_i)$ .  
Probability of its occurrence:

$$P(u_i) = \frac{W(u_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^m W(u_i)} \quad (i = 1, \dots, m)$$

Probability Distribution  
Function (PDF)

## Calculation strategy

### 4. Shannon Entropy (H):

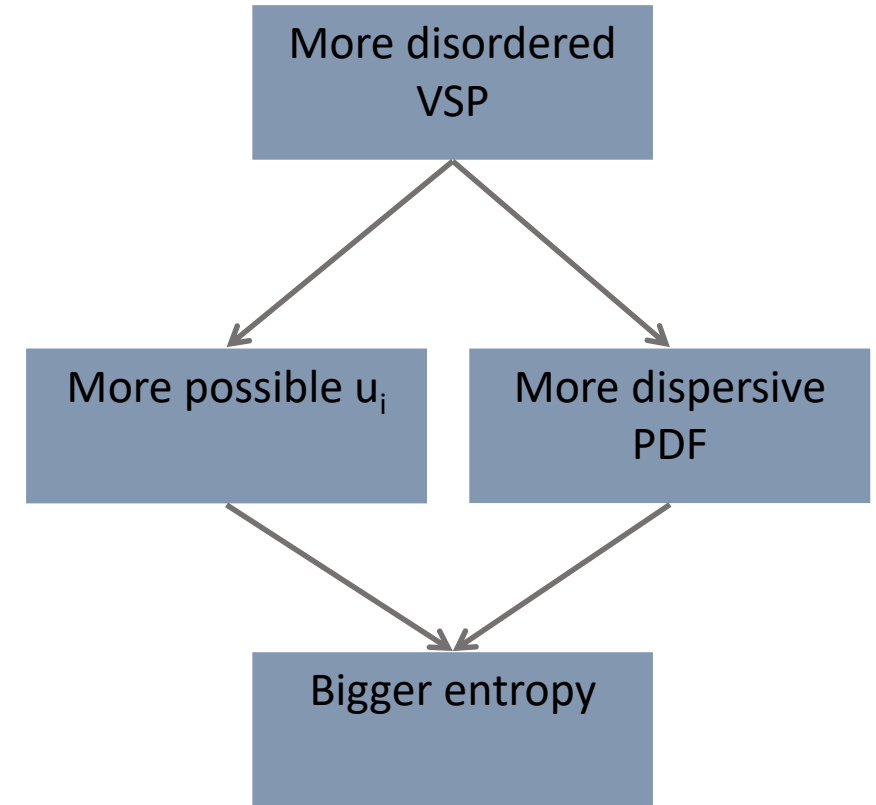
Entropy of a single data point  $X_j$  :

$$H(X_j) = -\sum_{i=1}^m P(u_i) \log_2 P(u_i) \quad (\text{bit})$$

Entropy of the whole snapshot:

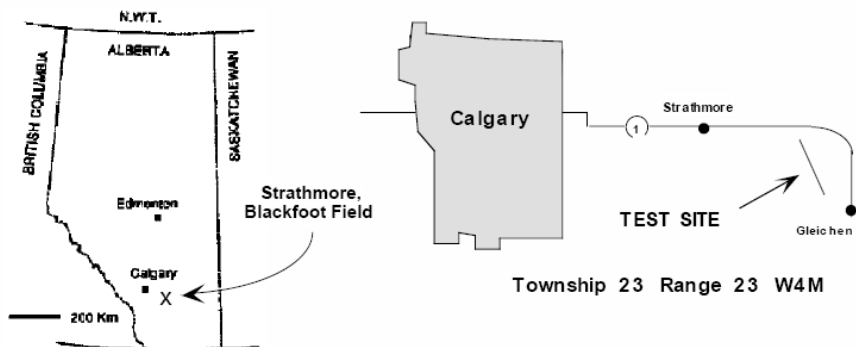
$$H = \sum_{j=1}^N H(X_j) \quad (j = 1, \dots, N) \quad (\text{bit})$$

### 5. **Main strategy:** Investigate entropy change with time evolution.



# Well logs

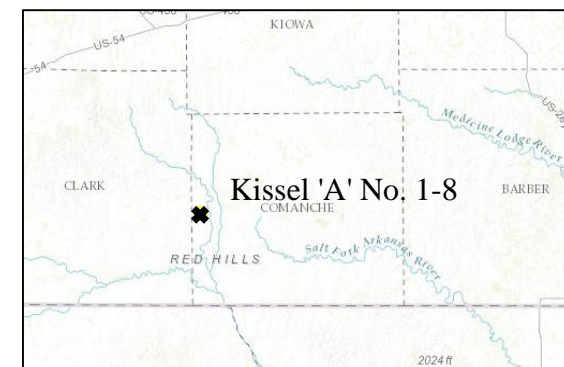
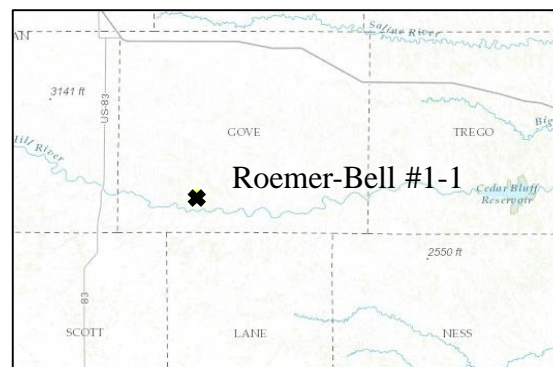
(a)



(b)



(c)



(a) Two well logs from Blackfoot, Alberta: 1227 and 1409;

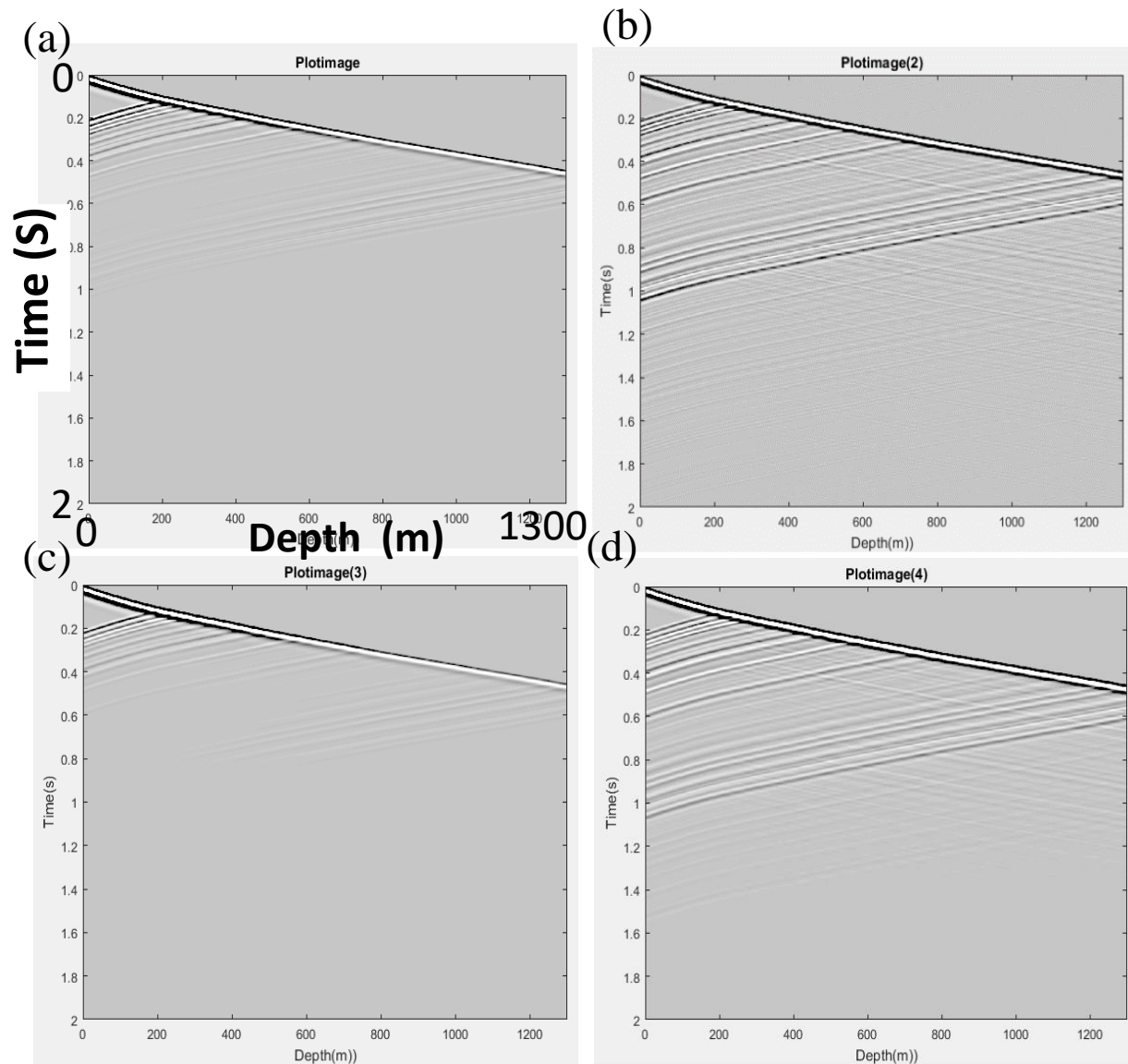
(b) Three well logs from near Hussar, Alberta: 12-27-025-21, 14-27-025-21 and 14-35-025-21;

(c) Two well logs from Gove and Comanche in Kansas, US: Roemer-Bell #1-1 and Kissel 'A' No. 1-8

# Data analysis (Blackfoot 1227)

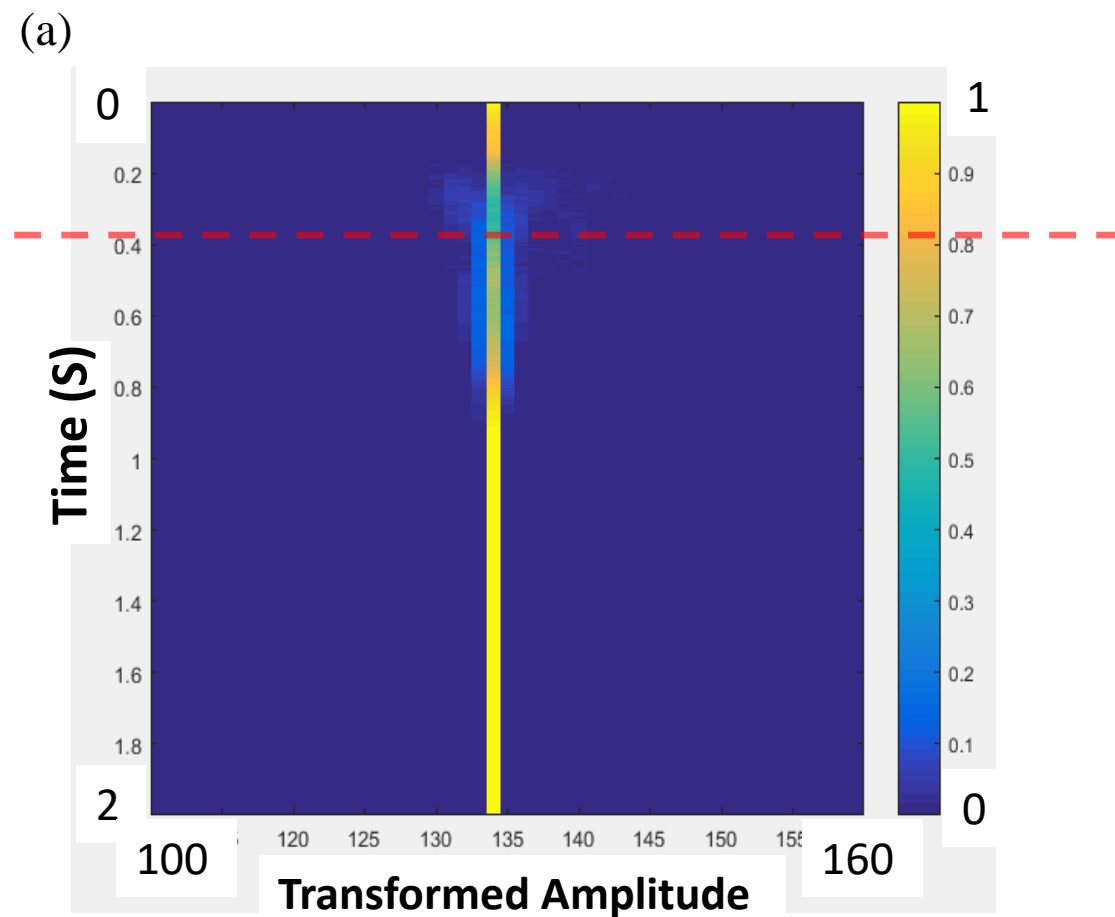
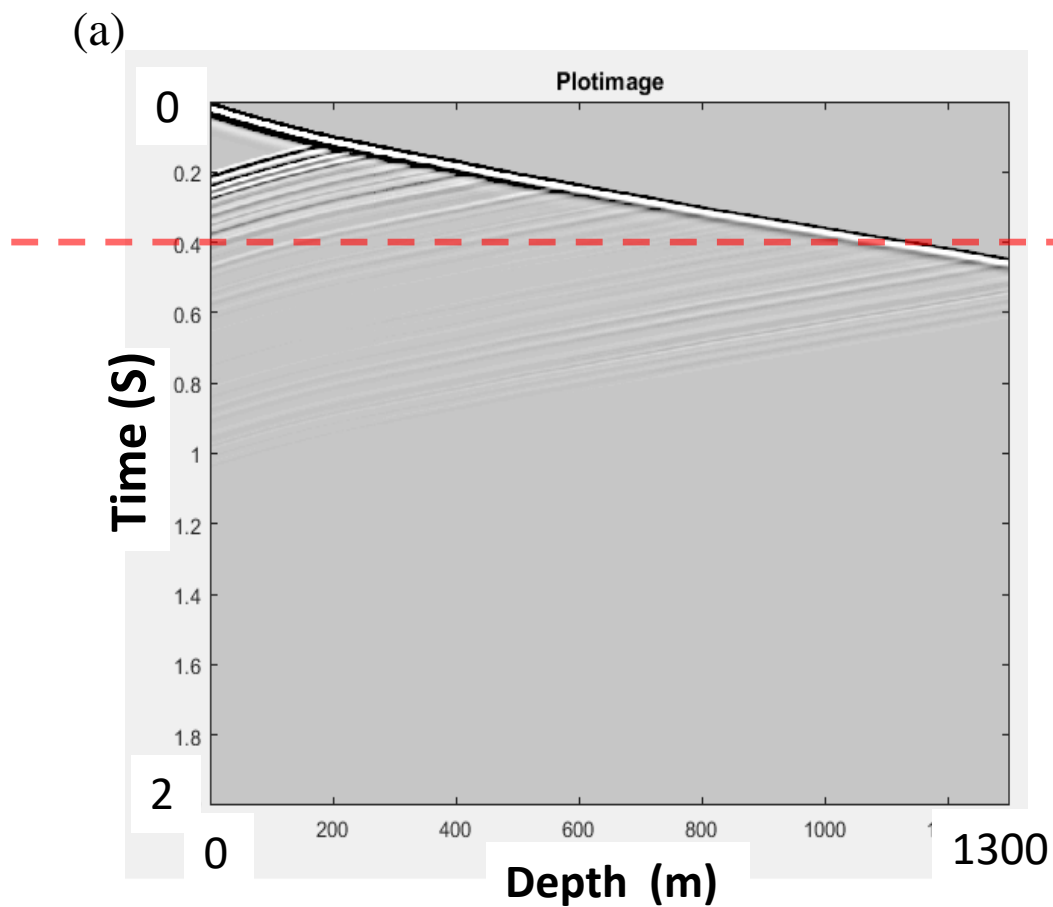
VSP data sets are built from intrinsic Q, P-velocity and density logs using a propagator matrix method (Margrave and Daley, 2014).

Q		Wavelet		Amplitude Bin Size
Min Q	Max Q	Type	Dominant F (Hz)	
20	220	Min Phase	30	0.001

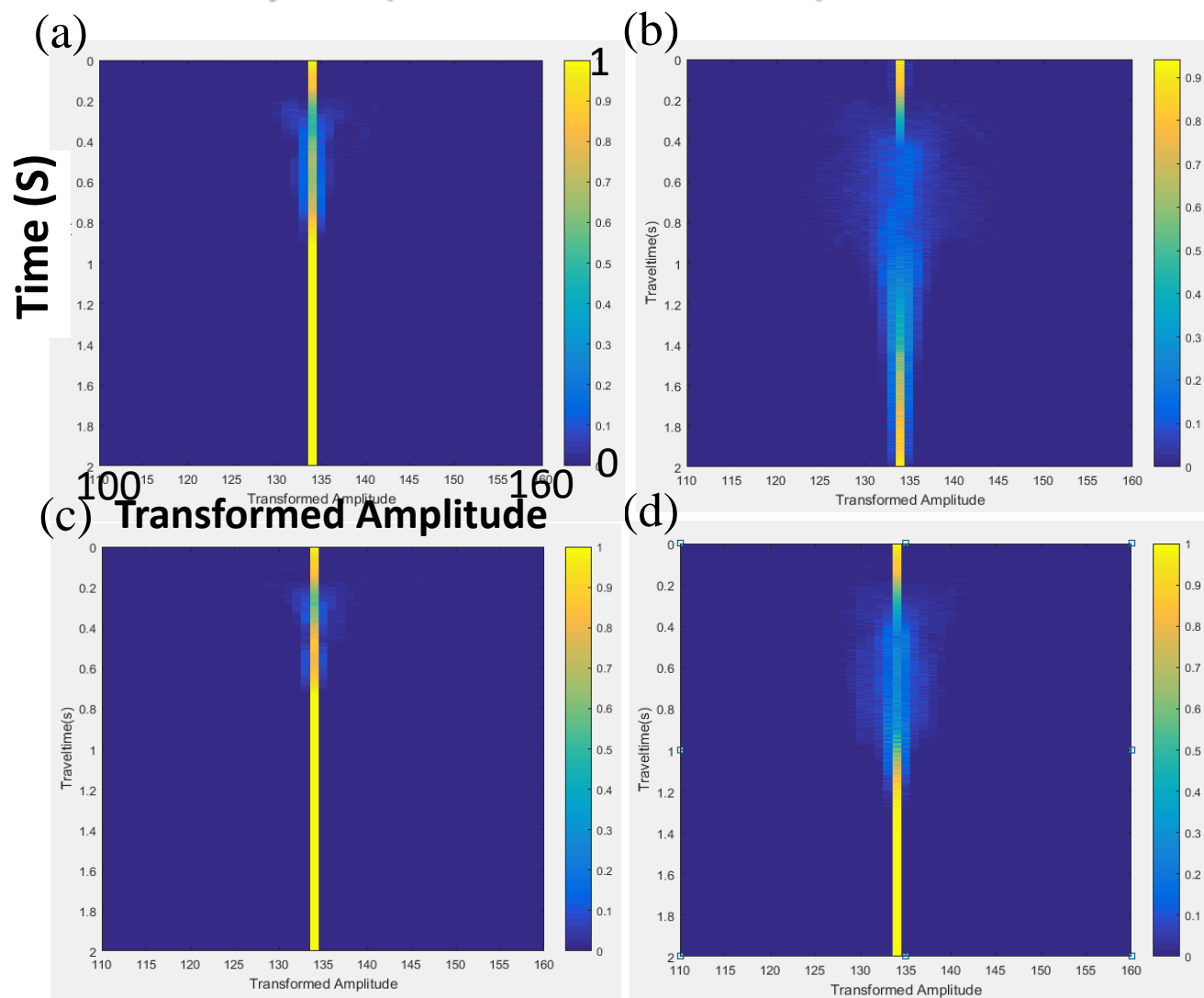




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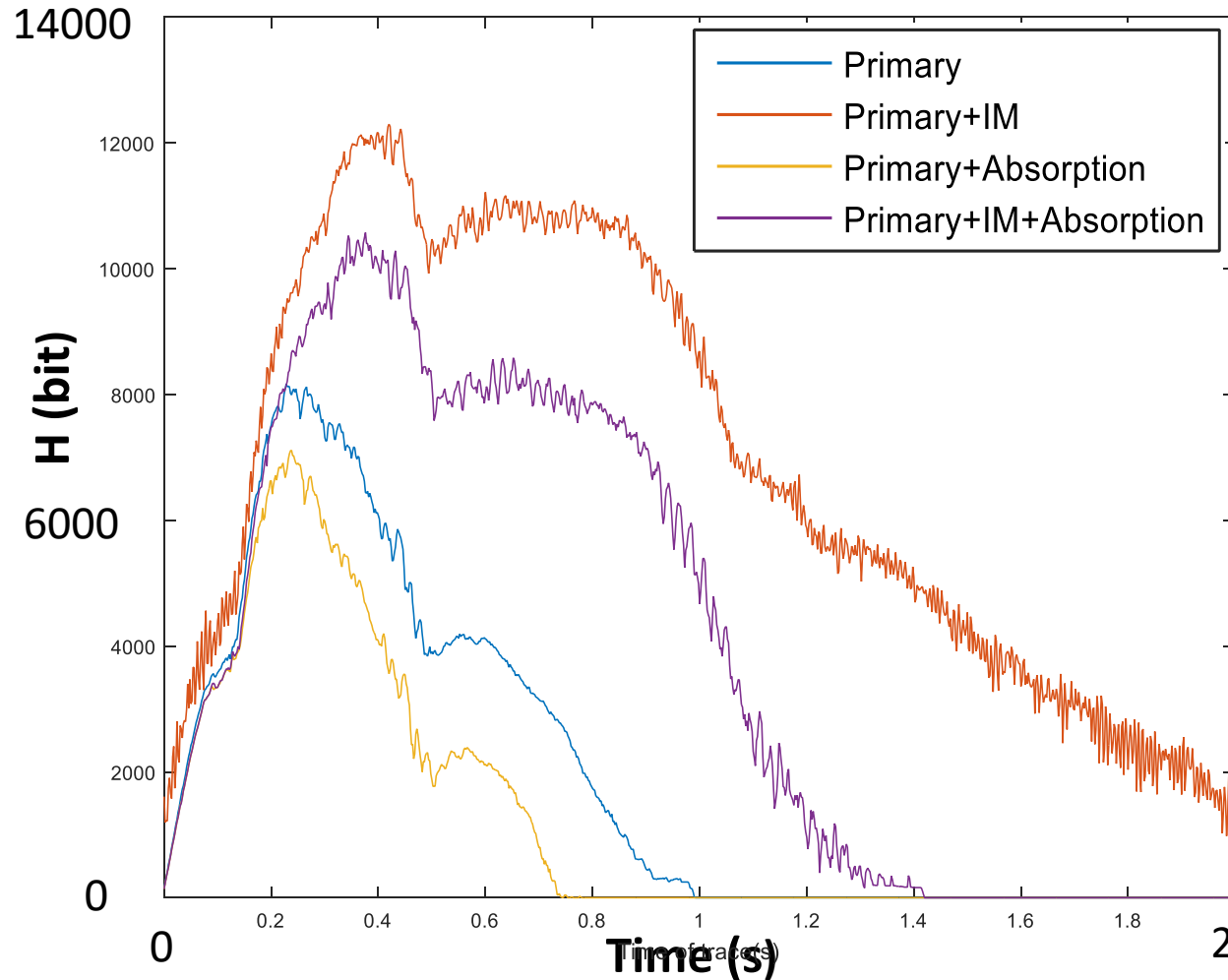


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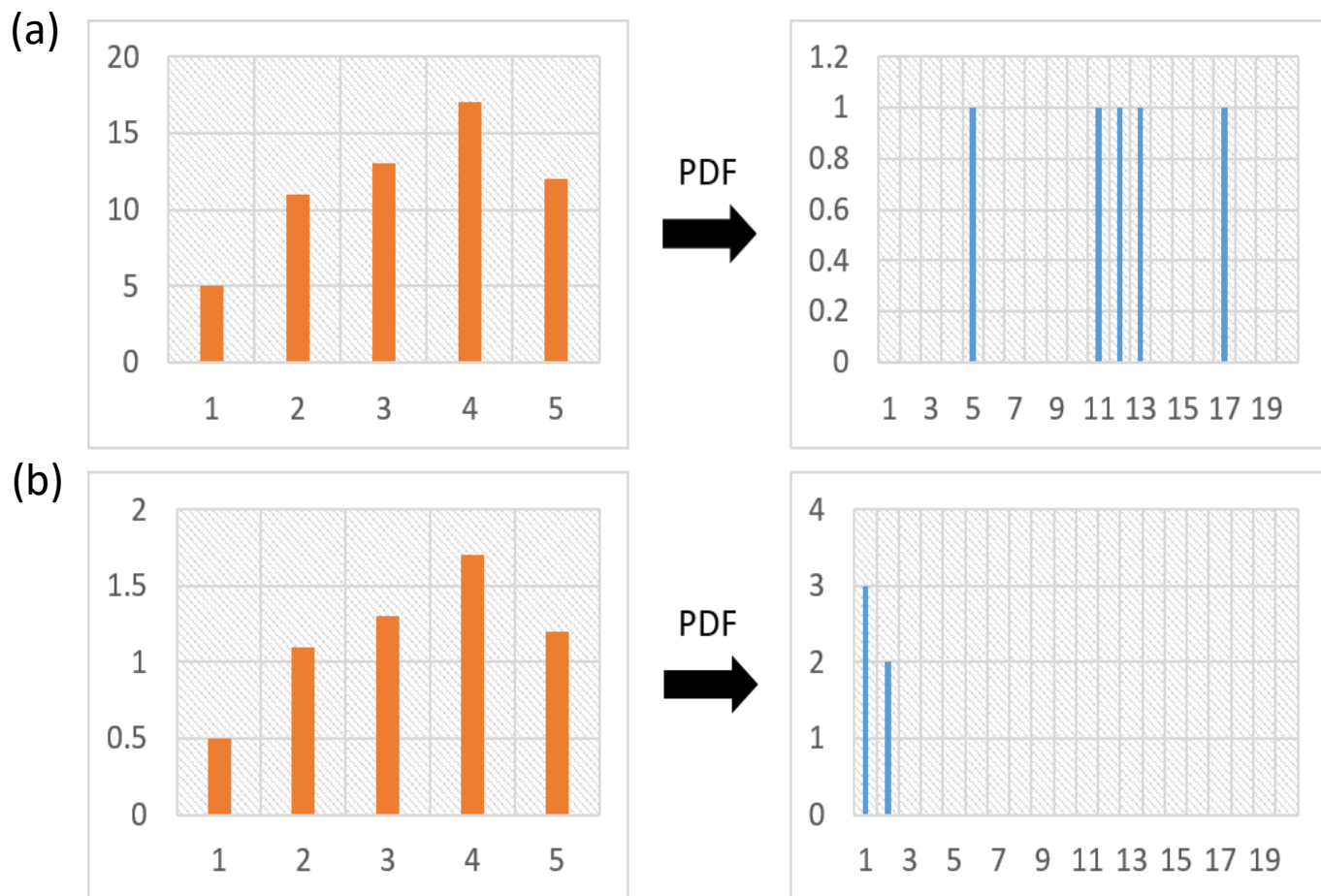
1. Complete localization represents zero state
2. PDFs with IMs: wider amplitude range, disperse effect in later arrival times;
3. PDFs with absorption: narrower amplitude range, disperse effect in earlier arrival times;
4. IMs “scatter” wave; absorption “attenuates” wave

## Data analysis (Blackfoot 1227)



1. VSP data with IMs: higher peak H, latter peak time
2. VSP data without IMs: lower peak H, earlier peak time
3. VSP data with absorption: lower peak H, same peak time
4. **IMs raise peak H upward; intrinsic Q draws peak H downward---act on H in the opposite way**

## Data analysis (Blackfoot 1227)

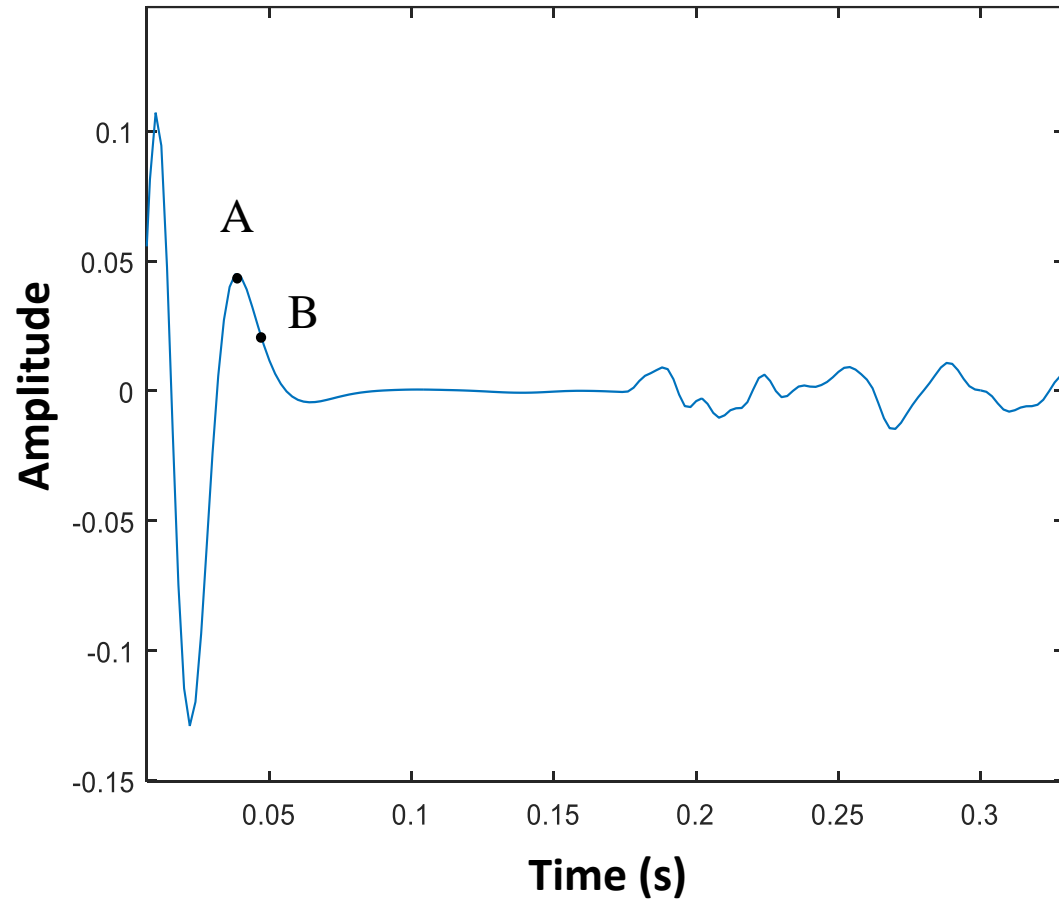


Why should attenuation lead to smaller entropy?

Data points take on smaller values, many of which fall into identical bins to form a **relatively steep, concentrated PDF histogram.**

Concentrated PDF leads to smaller entropy.

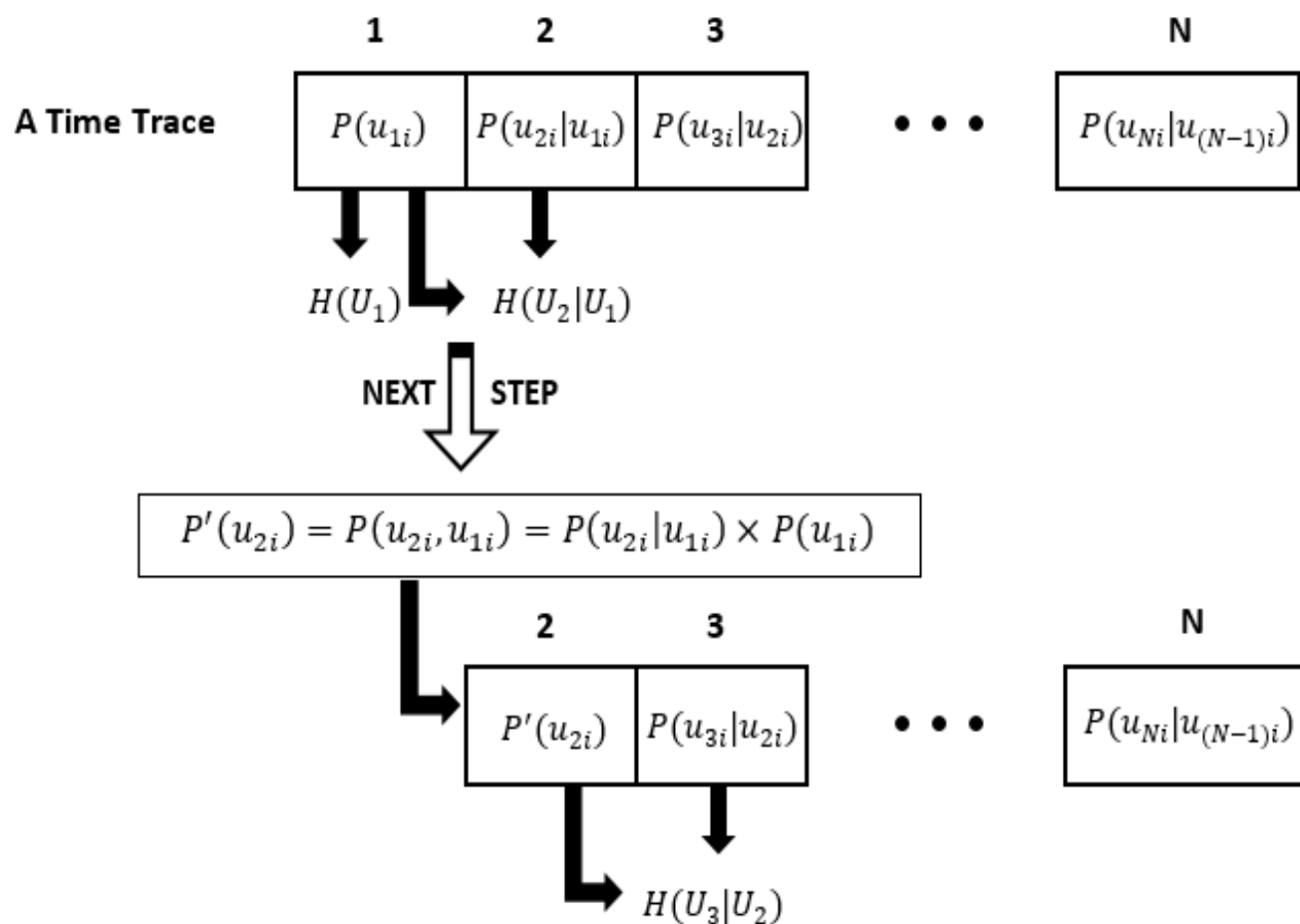
## Calculation strategy



1. **Correlations of adjacent points** in wave field can be utilized;
2. **Conditional probability:** take  $u_0$  as prerequisite and compute the conditional probability distribution of  $u_i$  following it in the whole data set:

$$P(u_i | u_{0j}) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m; j = 1, \dots, m)$$

## Calculation strategy

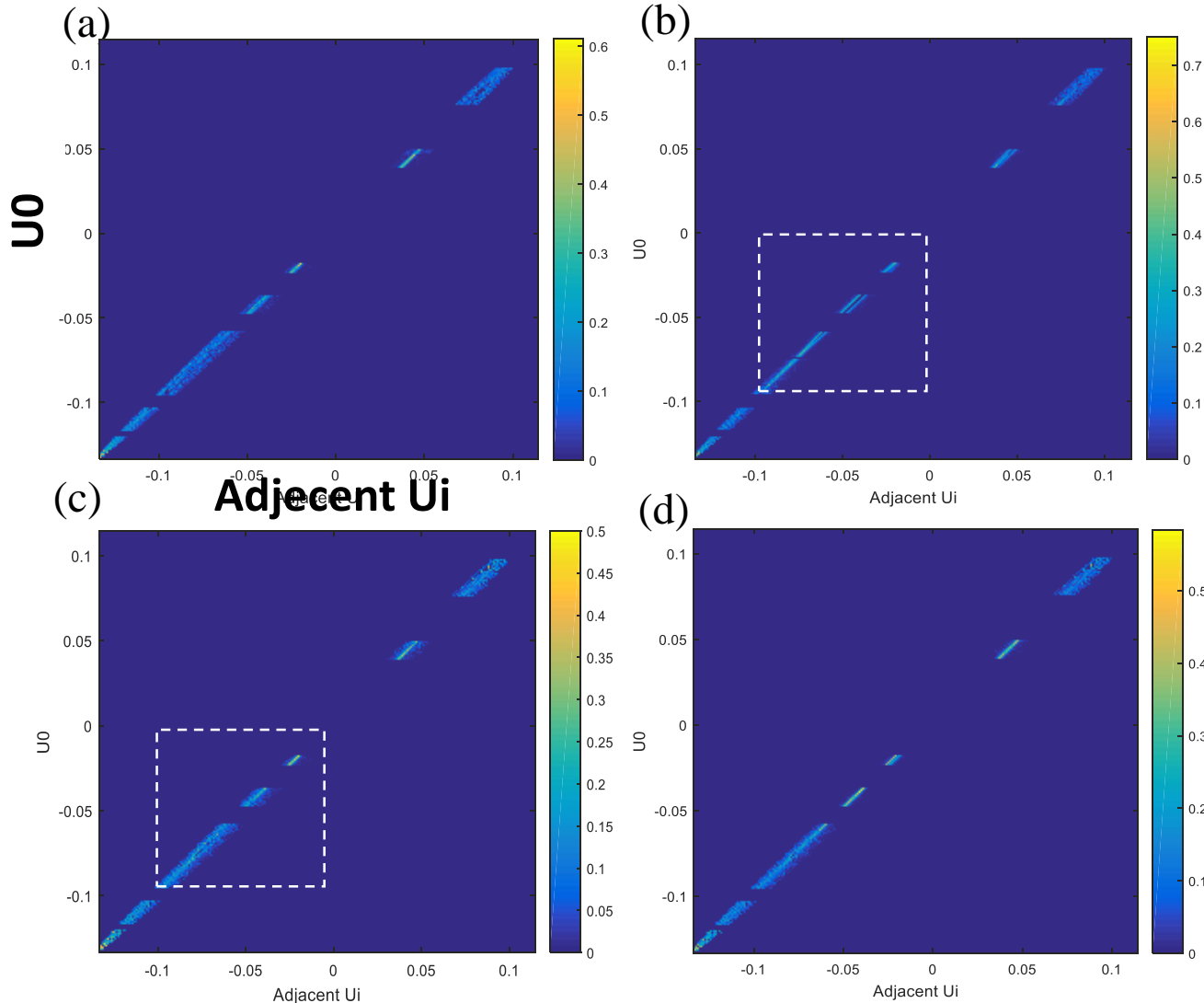


**3. Conditional Shannon entropy** for a single data point Y (in condition of leading point X amplitude being  $u_0$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(Y|X) &= \sum_{u_{0j}} P(u_{0j}) H(Y|X = u_{0j}) \\
 &= - \sum_{u_{0j}} P(u_{0j}) \sum_{u_i} P(u_i|u_{0j}) \log P(u_i|u_{0j}) \\
 &\quad (i = 1, \dots, m; j = 1, \dots, m)
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Use the work flow to get entropy of every snapshots

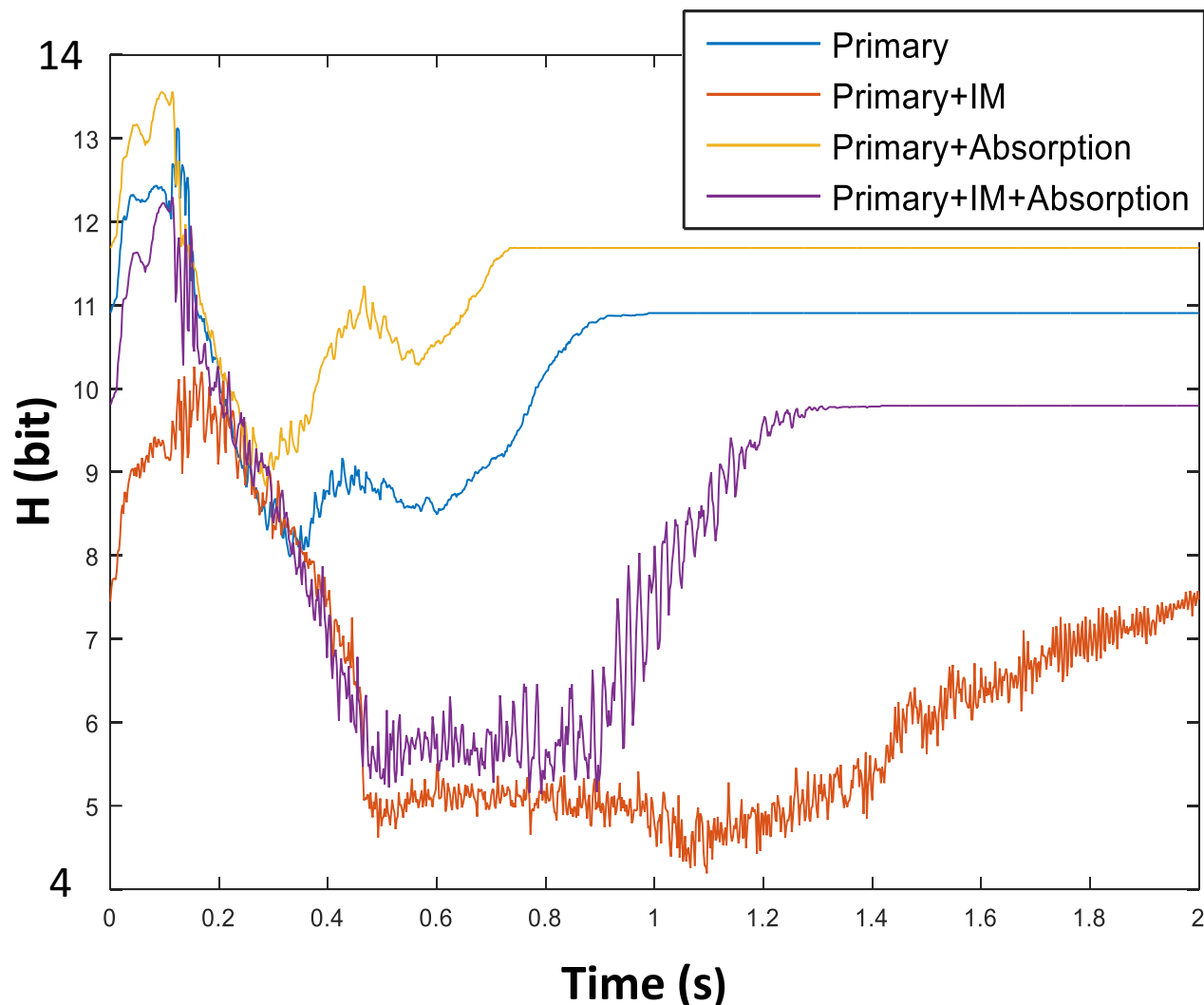
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Probabilities distribute along diagonals:  
the amplitudes correlate strongly with its preceding value.

(several points around zero amplitude are muted for their vastly big values against others)

## Data analysis (Blackfoot 1227)



1. VSP data with IMs: lower peak H
2. VSP data with absorption: higher peak H
3. **More waves = more restrictions to possible values**

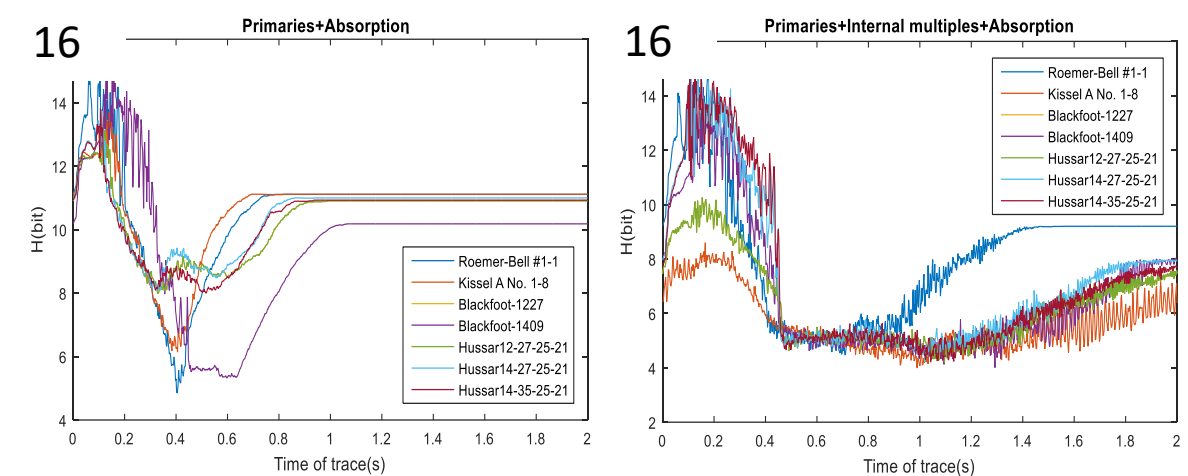
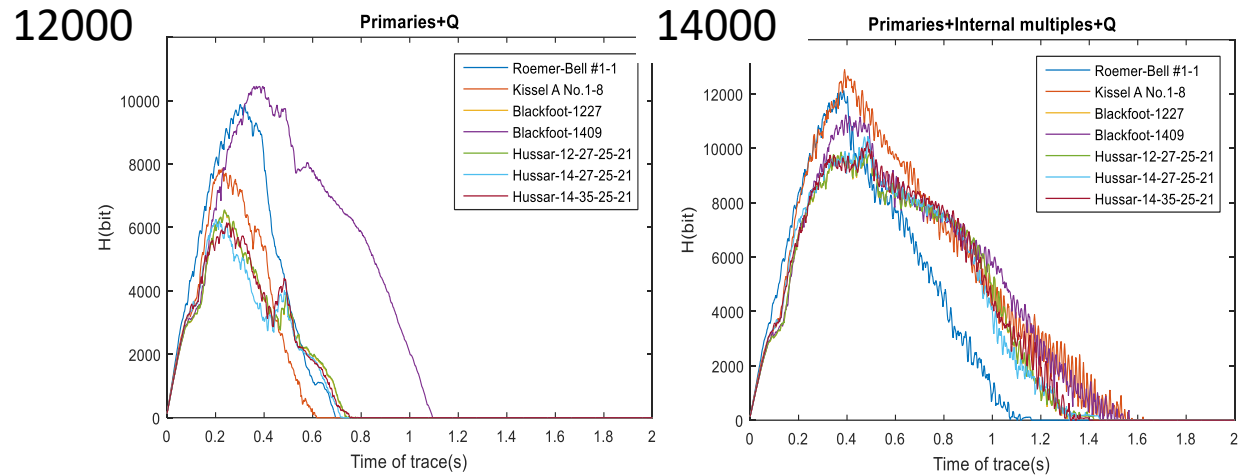
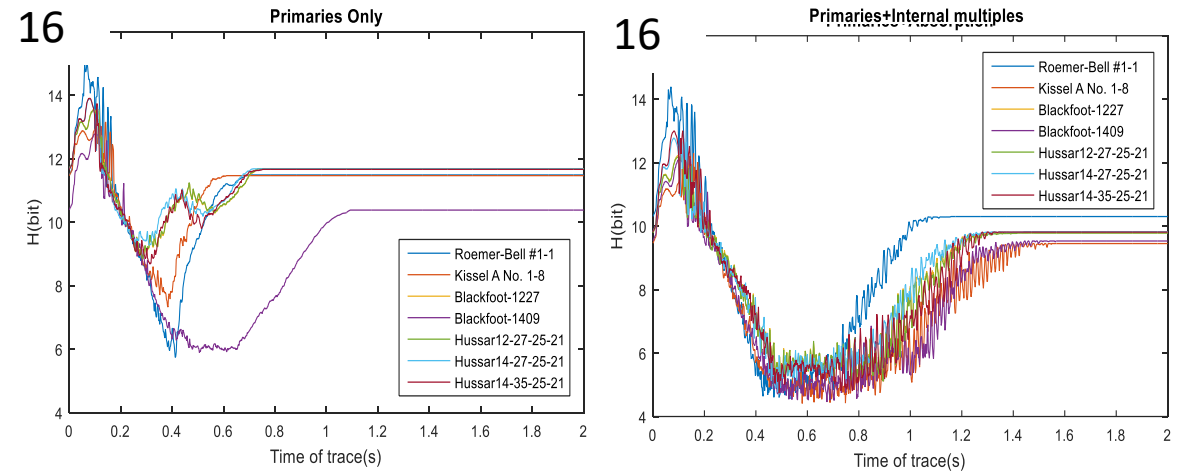
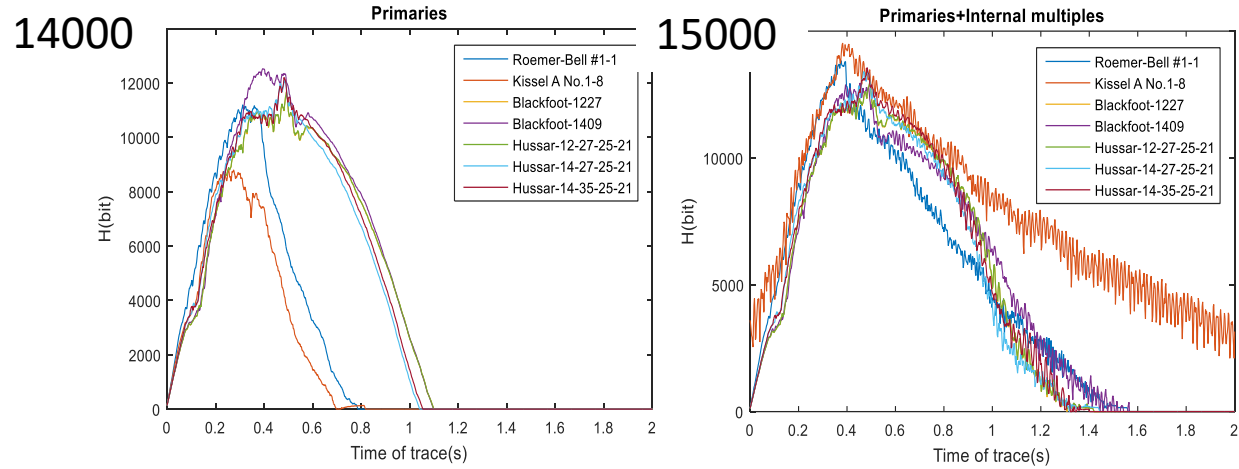


## Discussion

1. Innanen (2012): destroy the distinction of intrinsic & extrinsic Qs  
This research: rise rate of entropy might help distinguish intrinsic & extrinsic Qs
2. The entropy measurements from two algorithms have different reaction to extrinsic and intrinsic Q, but they are all reasonable according to analysis.
3. Initial entropy algorithm: finding possible amplitude values from unknown (small  $\rightarrow$  big)  
Conditional entropy algorithm: eliminating impossible amplitude values from a known range (big  $\rightarrow$  small)

## Initial entropy

## Conditional entropy



## Conclusion

1. **Absorption**: transforms part of the wave energy into heats in an irreversible way  
**Stratigraphic filtering (Internal Multiples)**: scatter energy to prevent them from completely transmitting through layers (leaving the overall energy intact)
2. **Shannon entropy** potentially serves as a **magnifier** that enhances these process differences, and translate them into a visible and measurable form;
3. Internal multiples and absorption always influence entropy variation in the **opposite way** in experiment.

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