

# Time-stepping evolution of wave-equation using a Laguerre polynomial expansion scheme.

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- Second order approximation in time

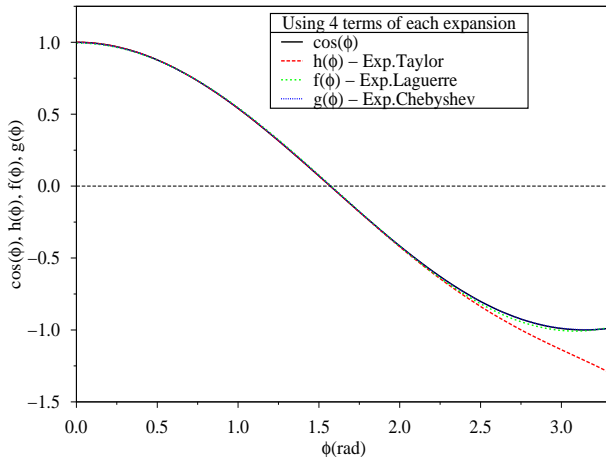
$$P(x, t + \Delta t) + P(x, t - \Delta t) = 2\alpha P(x, t) - \beta \Delta t^2 L^2 P(x, t) + S(x, t \pm \Delta t) \quad (16)$$

where

$$\alpha = C_0 [1 + (\Delta t / 2\lambda)^2] \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = C_0 = e^{-(\Delta t / 2\lambda)^2}$$

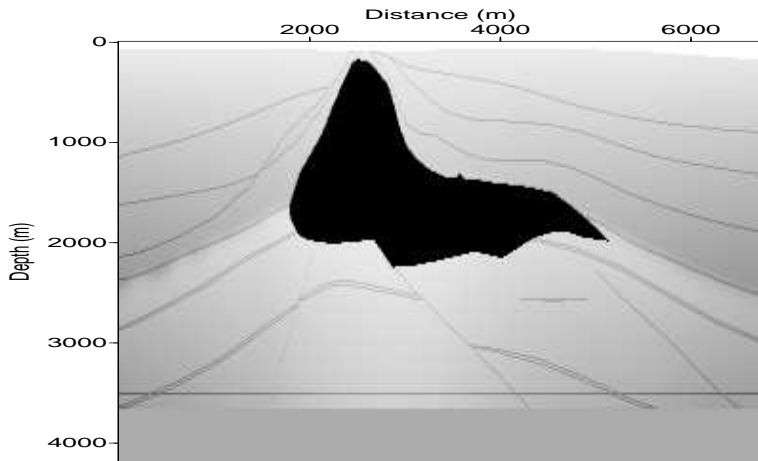
$$R = \pi c \sqrt{(1/\Delta x^2) + (1/\Delta z^2)} \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda = N/R$$

# Examples



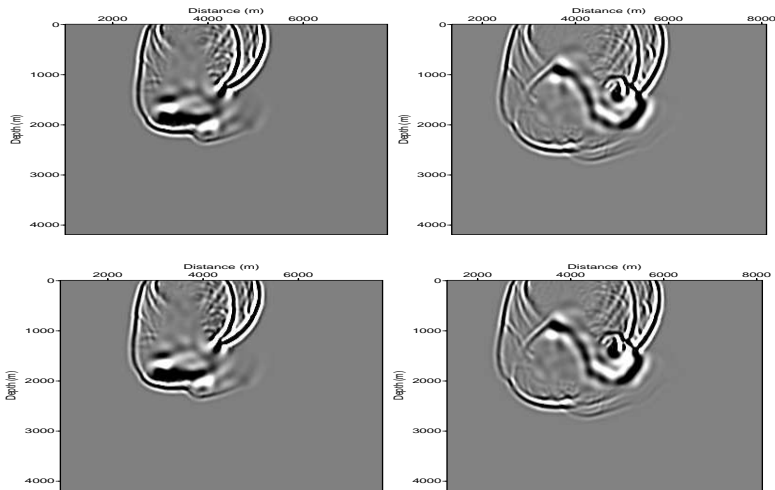
Plot with the results of the expansions of the cosine function using 4 terms by: Taylor series, Chebyshev and Laguerre polynomial expansions.

# Seismic Modeling Results



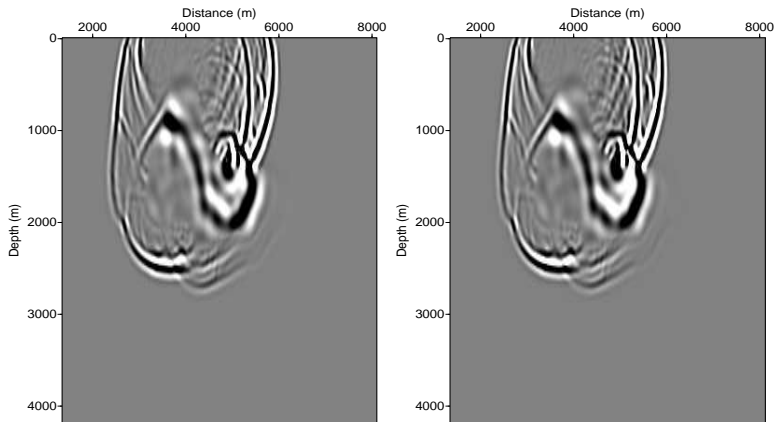
P-velocity model for the salt dome model.

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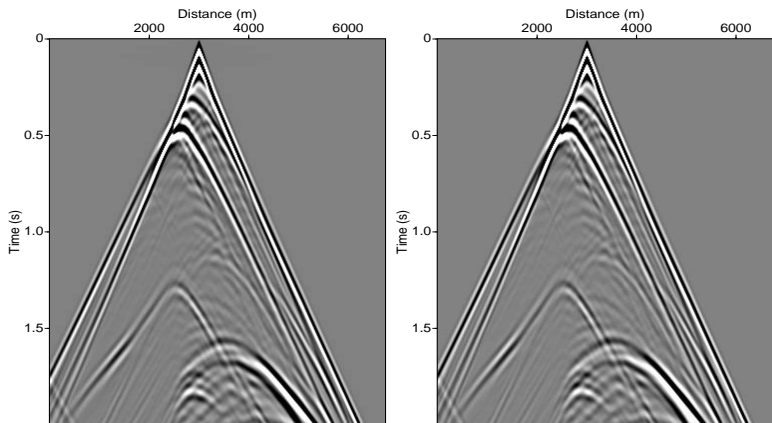
Snapshots at the times of: 0.8 s and 1 s using Chebyshev expansion (top) and Laguerre expansion (bottom). Maximum frequency of 25 Hz and with a time stepping of 2 ms.

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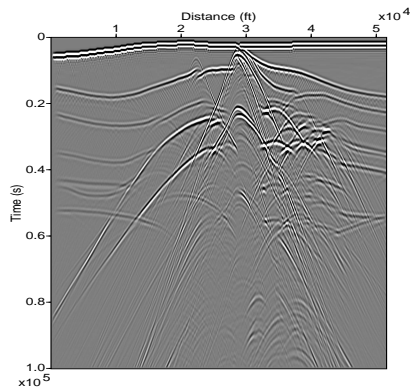
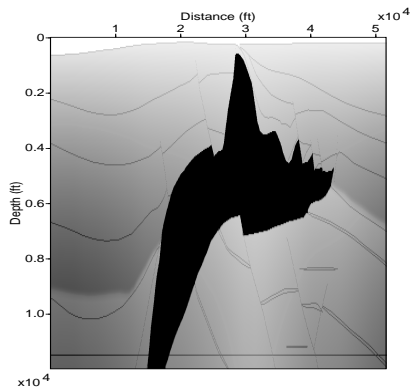
Snapshots generated from the salt dome model using Chebyshev (a) and Laguerre expansion (b) at the time of 1s. Maximum frequency of 25 Hz and with a time stepping of 2 ms .

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Seismogram generated from the salt dome model using the Chebyshev and Laguerre expansion with time stepping of 2 ms. The data was recorded at the depth of 20 m .

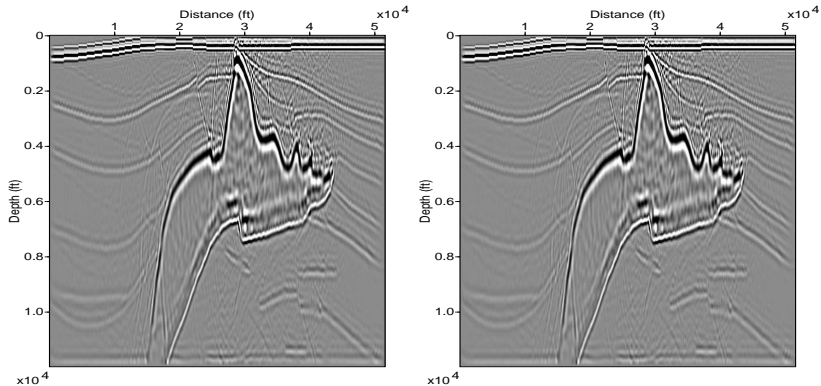
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EAGE-SEG model and zero offset section.

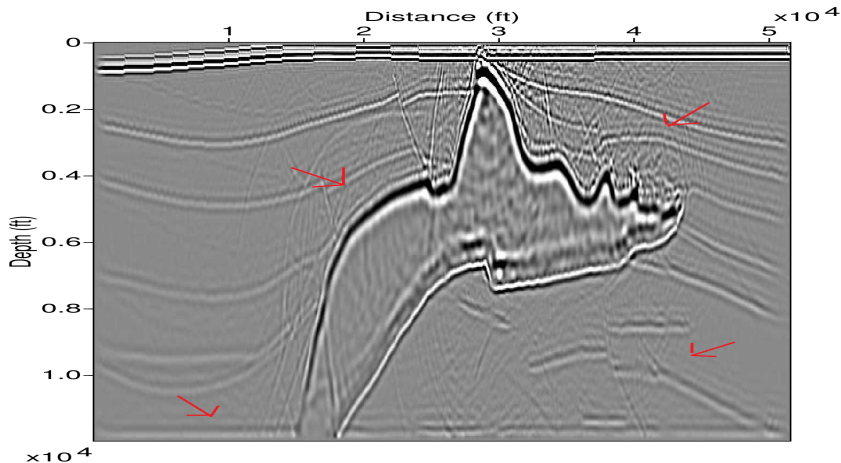


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RTM results of the EAGE-SEG data set using 5 and 10 recursion terms.

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RTM result of the EAGE-SEG data set using 5 recursion terms highlighting the imaged structures.

## Conclusions

- Approximations for the cosine operator using Hermite and Laguerre polynomials;
- Satisfactory results for seismic modeling of complex models, stable and free of dispersion noise;
- RTM of pos-stack dataset with high quality results;
- Parameter  $\lambda$  was set equal to  $8/R$  which ensured best results.

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