

# Mid-Frequency Bottom interaction measurements off the New Jersey continental shelf

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*Mid-to-High frequency Bottom reflected signal measurements*

Mid-to-High frequency Sea Surface scattered signal measurements

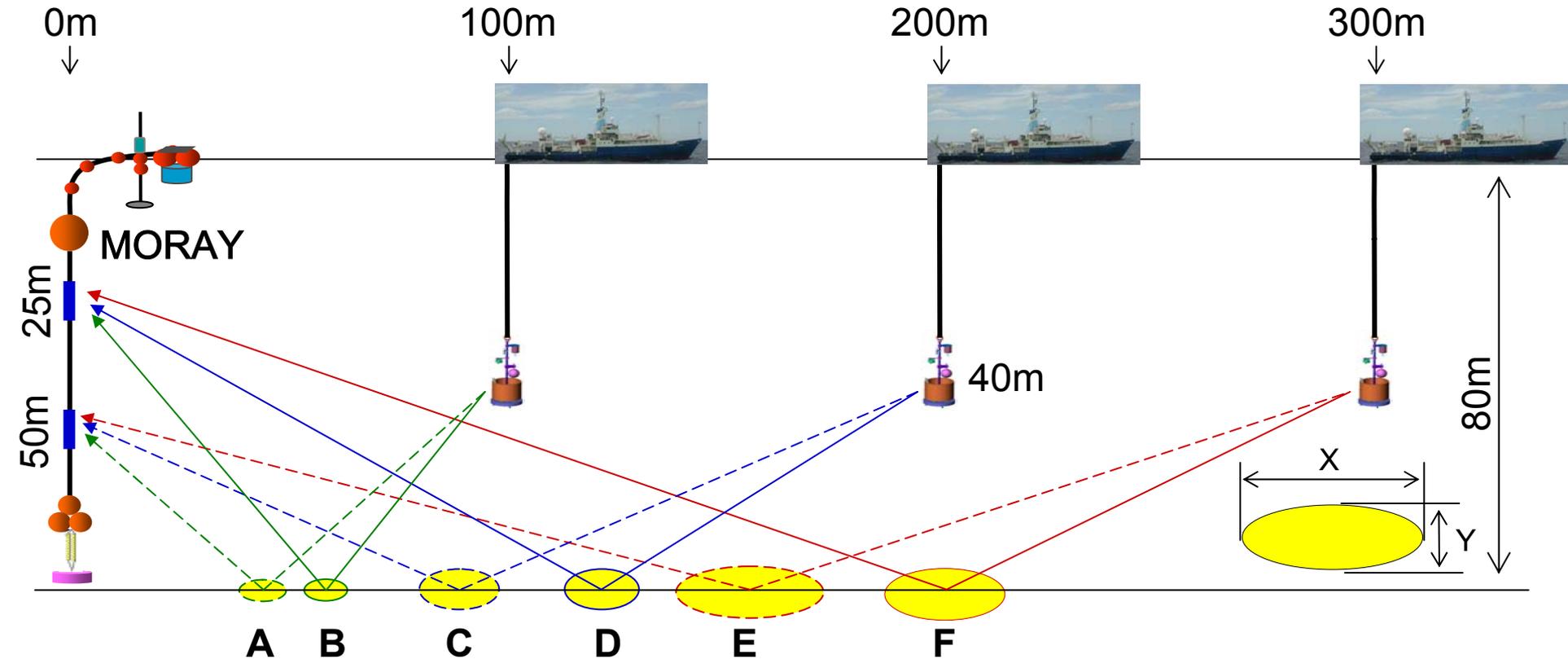
Mid frequency propagation measurements

Sediment sound speed measurements

Sediment roughness measurements



# BOTTOM REFLECTION



$X \times Y$  : size of 1<sup>st</sup> Fresnel zone (m)

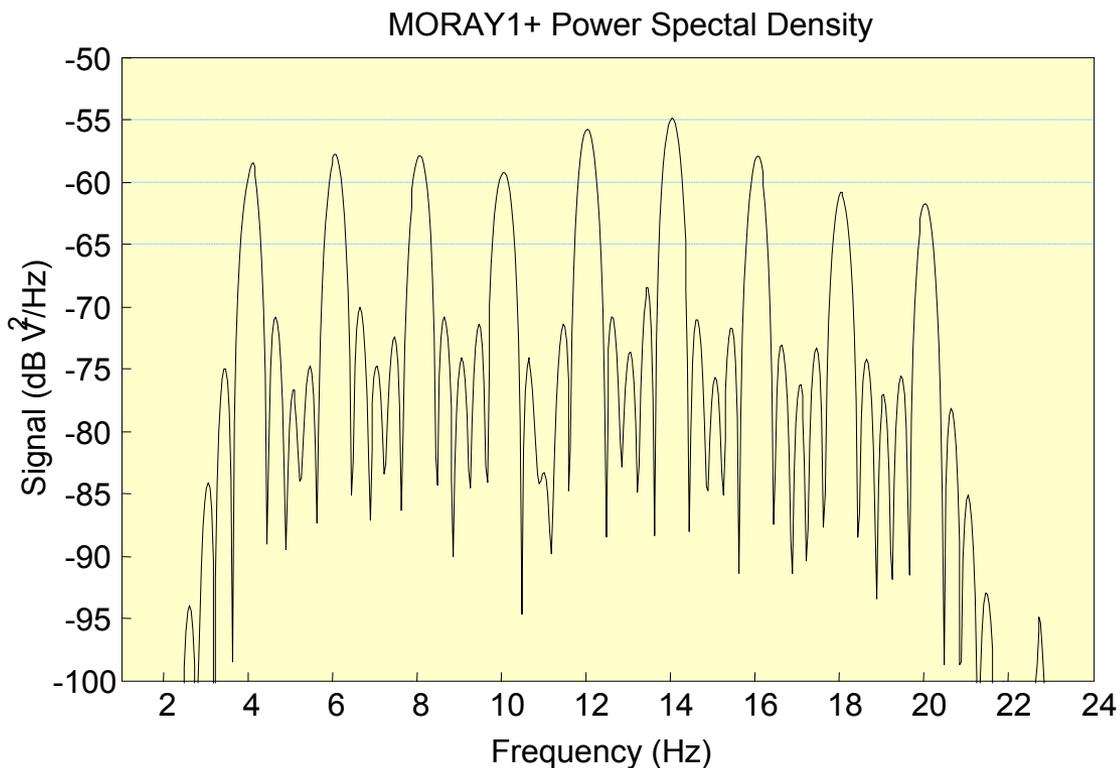
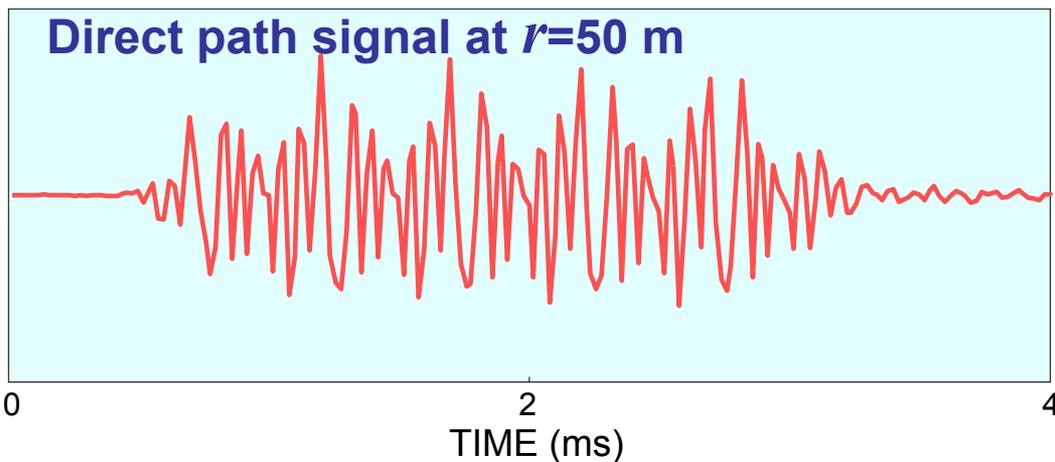
|               | A       | B       | C       | D       | E       | F       |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Grazing angle | 35°     | 43.5°   | 19.5°   | 25°     | 12.5°   | 17°     |
| 1 kHz         | 17 × 12 | 13 × 12 | 47 × 17 | 35 × 17 | 86 × 21 | 64 × 21 |
| 20 kHz        | 4 × 3   | 3 × 3   | 11 × 4  | 8 × 4   | 20 × 5  | 15 × 5  |

# Source Signals

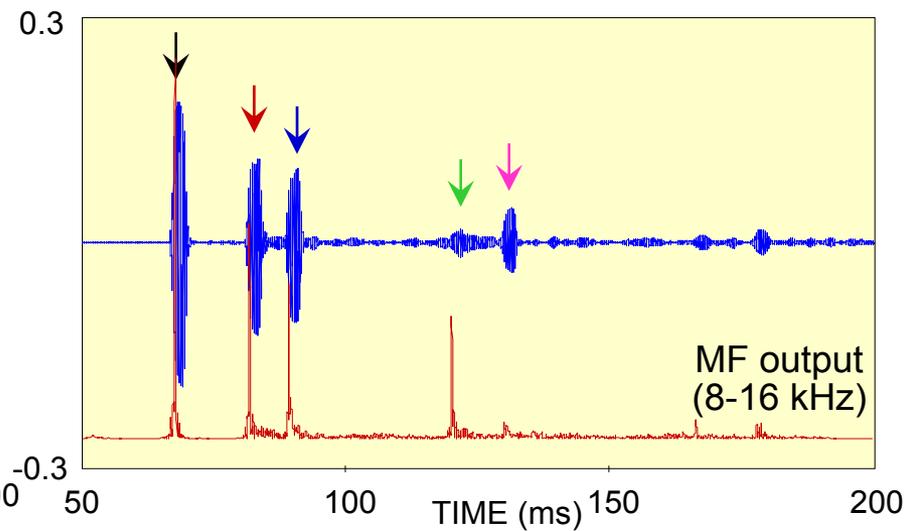
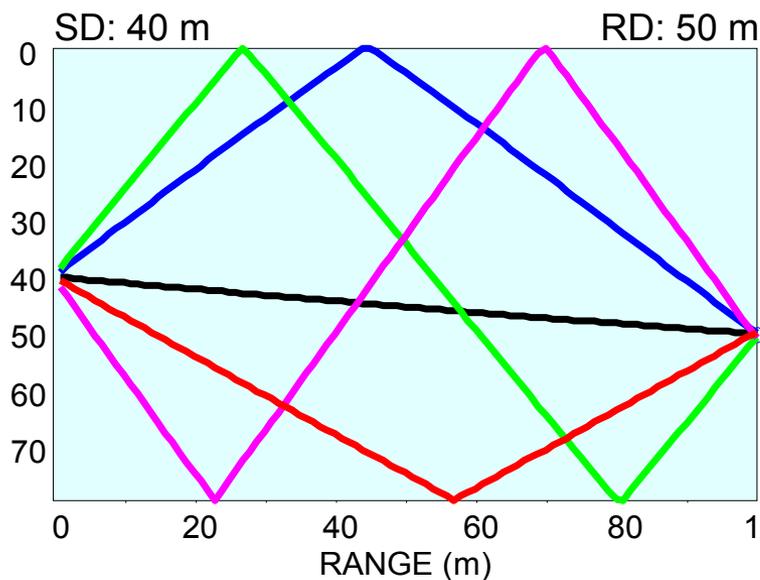
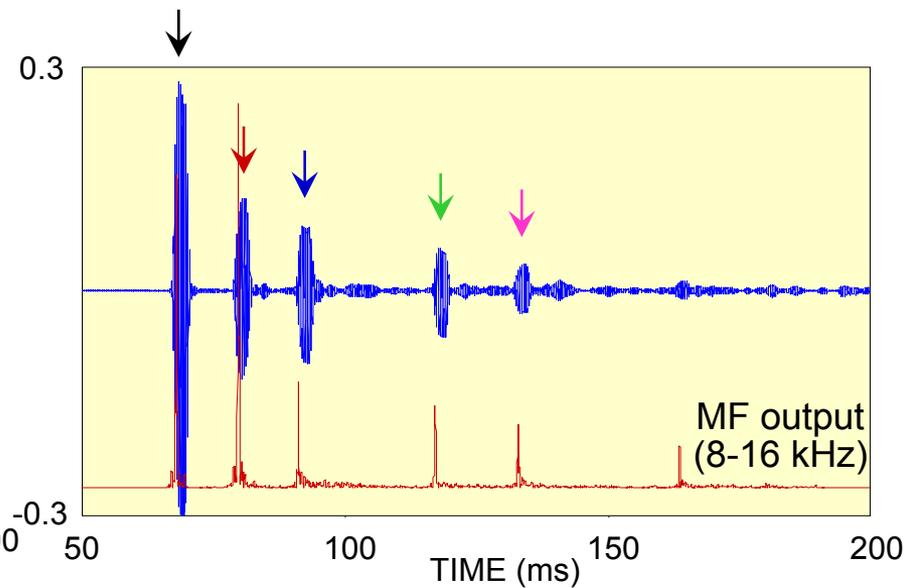
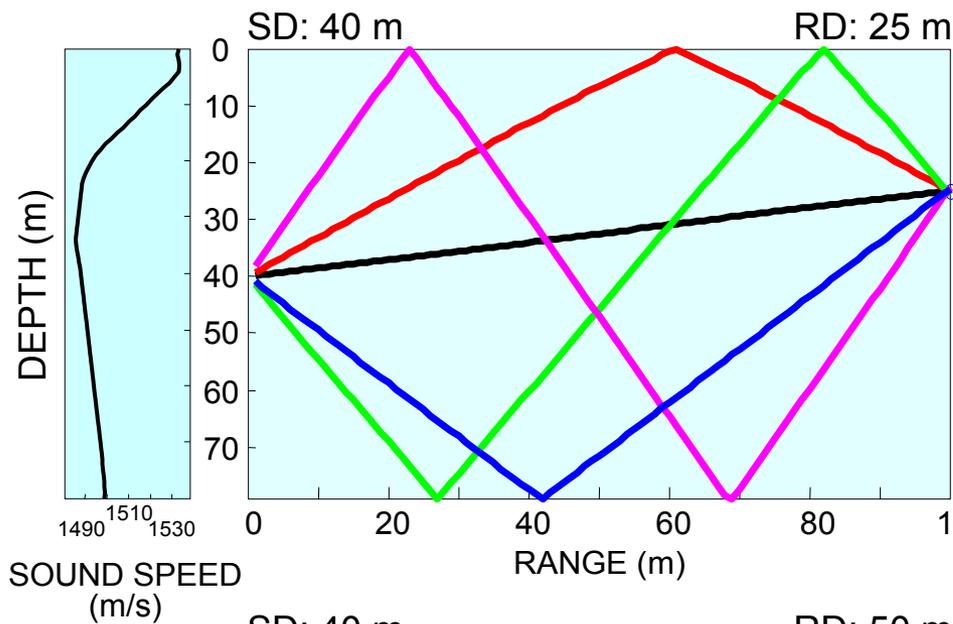
1-4 kHz(1, 2, 3, 4 kHz), 5 ms

4-20 kHz(4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14,  
16, 18, 20 kHz), 3 ms

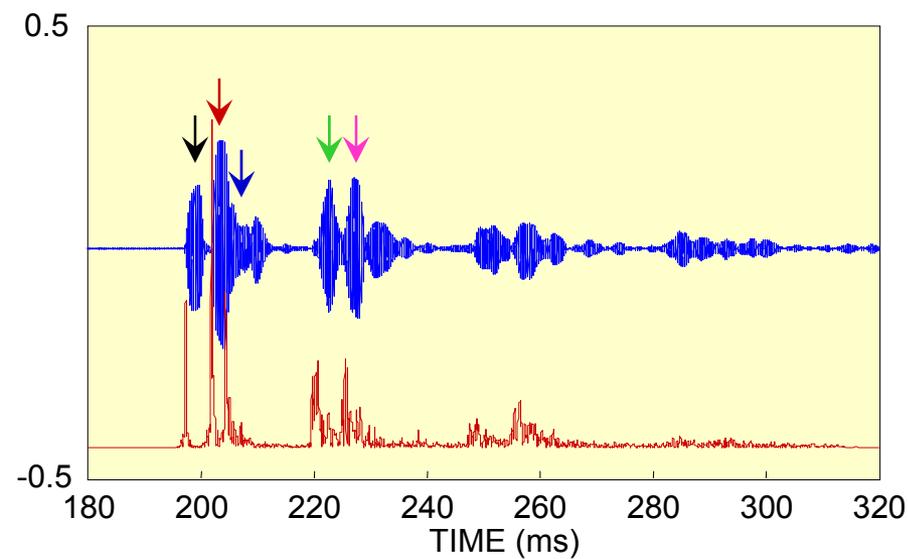
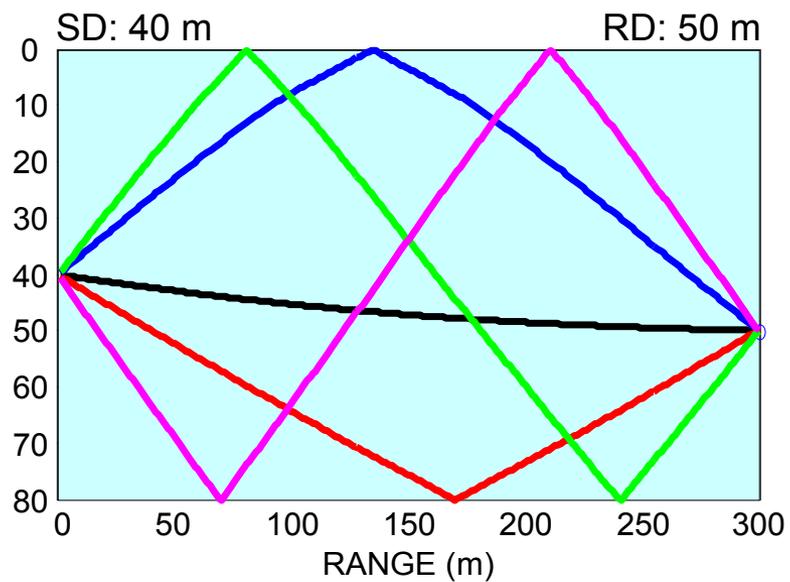
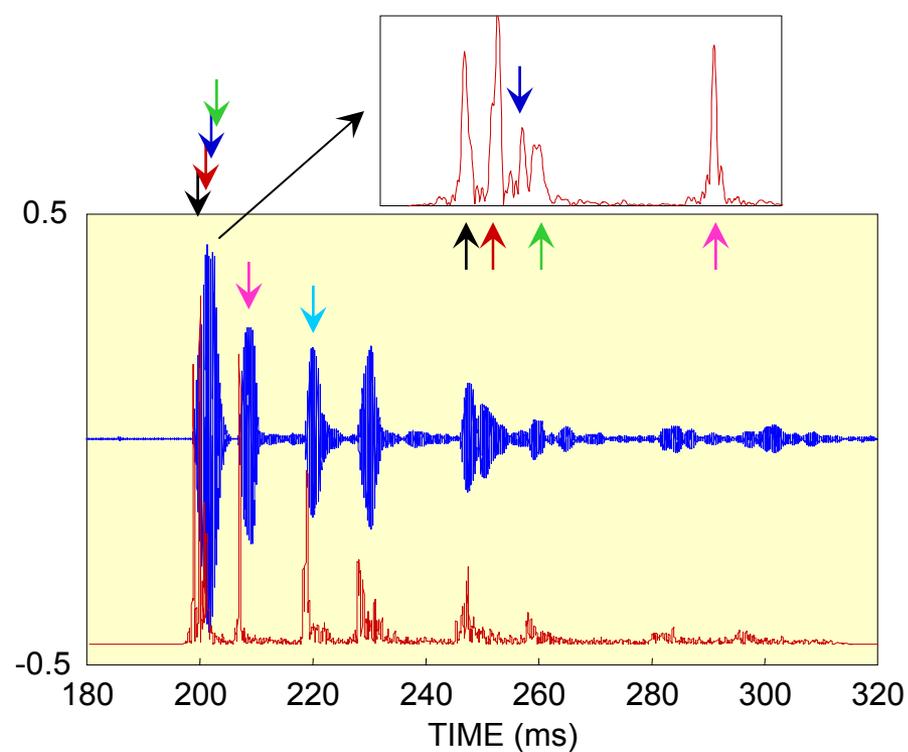
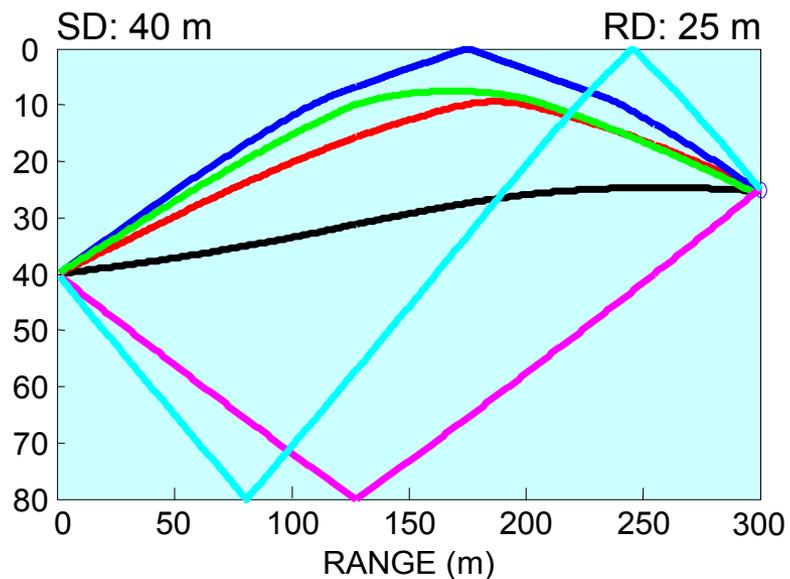
CW (superimposed) signal



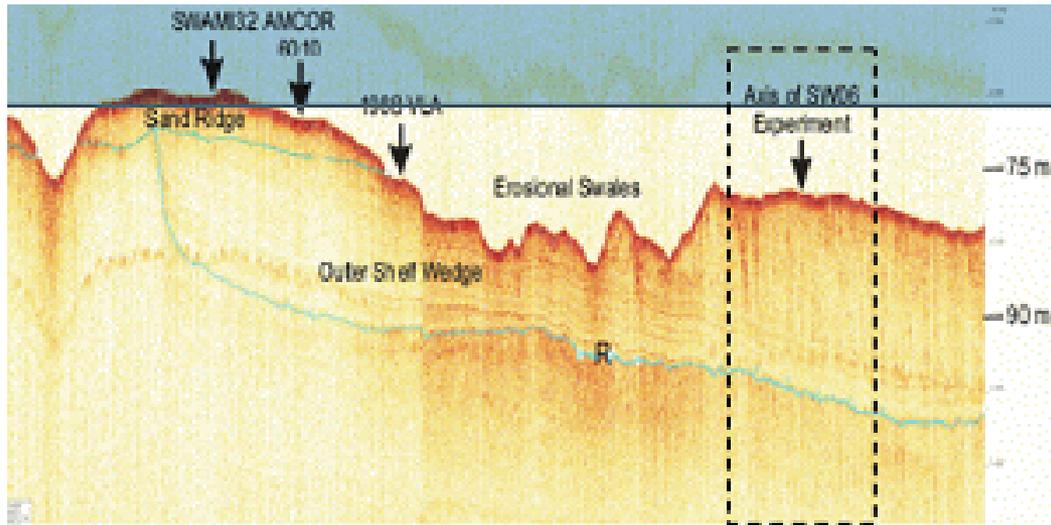
$r=100$  m, 10 kHz



$r=300$  m, 10 kHz



# Sediment structure : SW'06 experiment site



N. R. Chapman and Y.-M. Jiang, "Geoacoustic inversion results from SW06 data—long range vs. short range," ONR SW06 Workshop, Fort Lauderdale, FL, USA, 2008.

65 kHz in situ probes: Surficial sediment → medium-coarse sand,  $\sim 1.0-1.3\phi$ , 1720-1740 m/s

Ref.) Goff et. al., Mar. Geol., 209, 147-172, (2004)

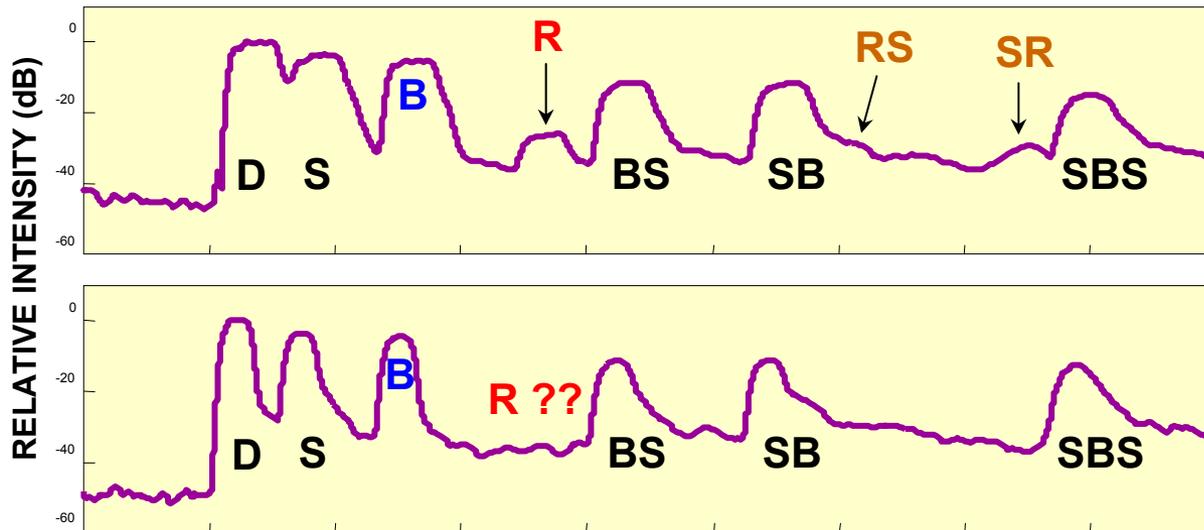
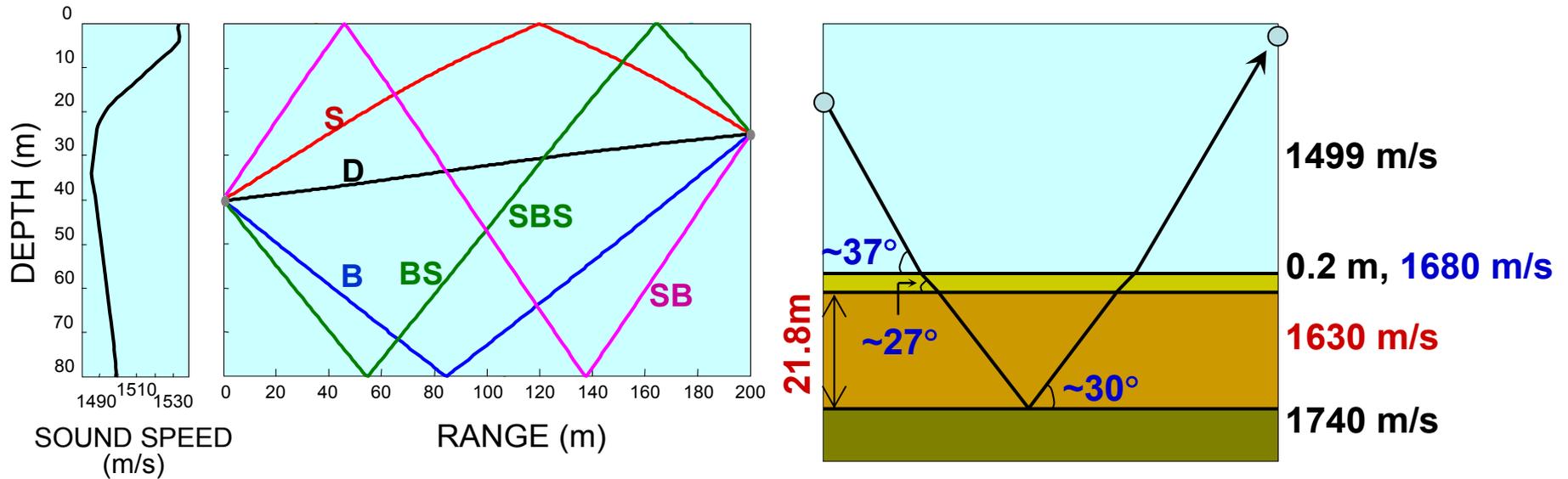
Coring: Thickness of surficial sediment  $\sim 20$  cm  
lower layer → very clay rich ( $\sim 1630-1660$  m/s) sediment

Ref.) Fulthorpe and Austin, Geology, 32, 1013-1016, (2004)

**Two Observations : 1) Reflection from R-reflector**

**2) Reflection from the surficial layers**

# MEASUREMENTS



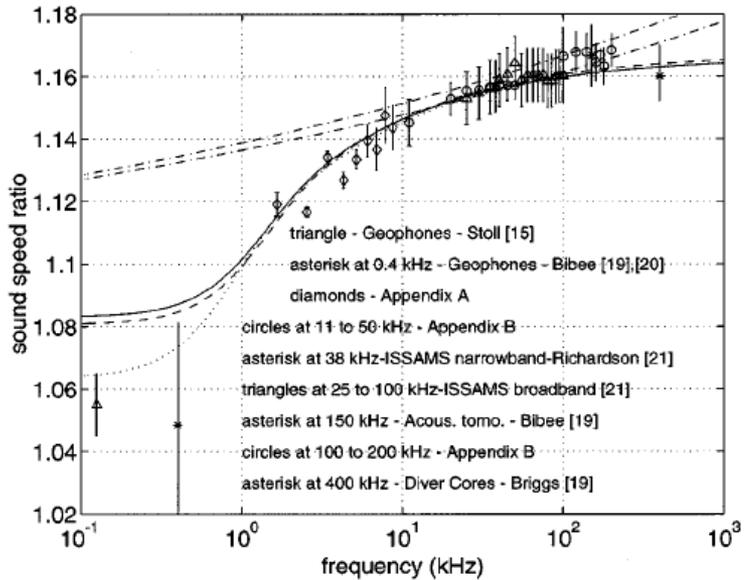
2 kHz

Measurements

6 kHz

# GEOACOUSTIC PARAMETER ESTIMATE

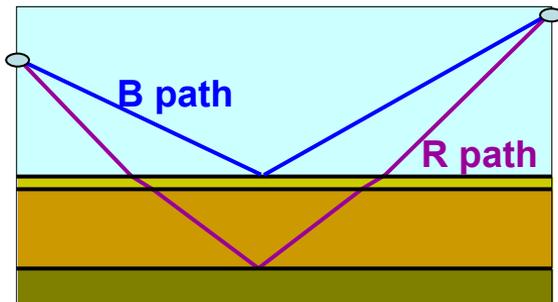
- 1<sup>st</sup> layer : **1680 m/s** at 2 kHz, 1730 m/s at 65 kHz



(Dispersion effect for sediment sound speed)

Ref.) K. L. Williams, et. al. (2002)  
IEEE J. Ocean. Eng. 27, 413-428

- 2<sup>nd</sup> layer : from the travel time difference between **B & R** paths

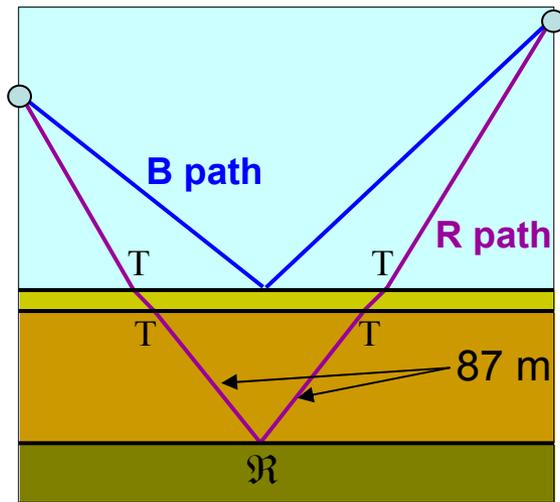


Thickness ( **$21.8 \pm 1$  m**)  
Sound speed ( **$1630 \pm 20$  m/s**)

# GEOACOUSTIC PARAMETER ESTIMATE

3. Attenuation of 2<sup>nd</sup> layer :  $\alpha = 0.05 \pm 0.01$  dB/m/kHz

From the amplitude ratio between B & R path for freq. 1-4 kHz.



(assumption:  $\mathfrak{R}$ , T are constant for 1-4 kHz and

Total path length within 2<sup>nd</sup> layer is 87 m.

Most attenuation in 2<sup>nd</sup> layer (20 m)

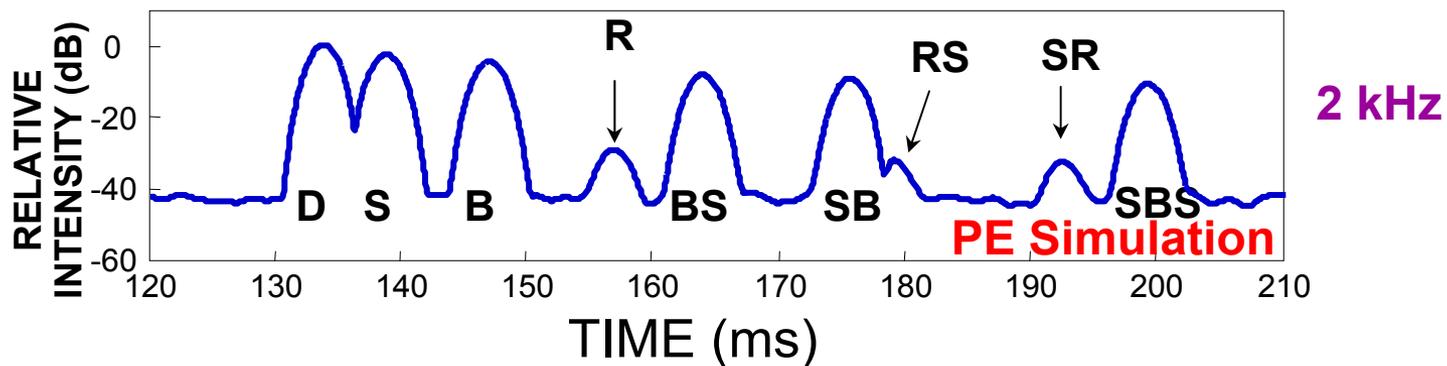
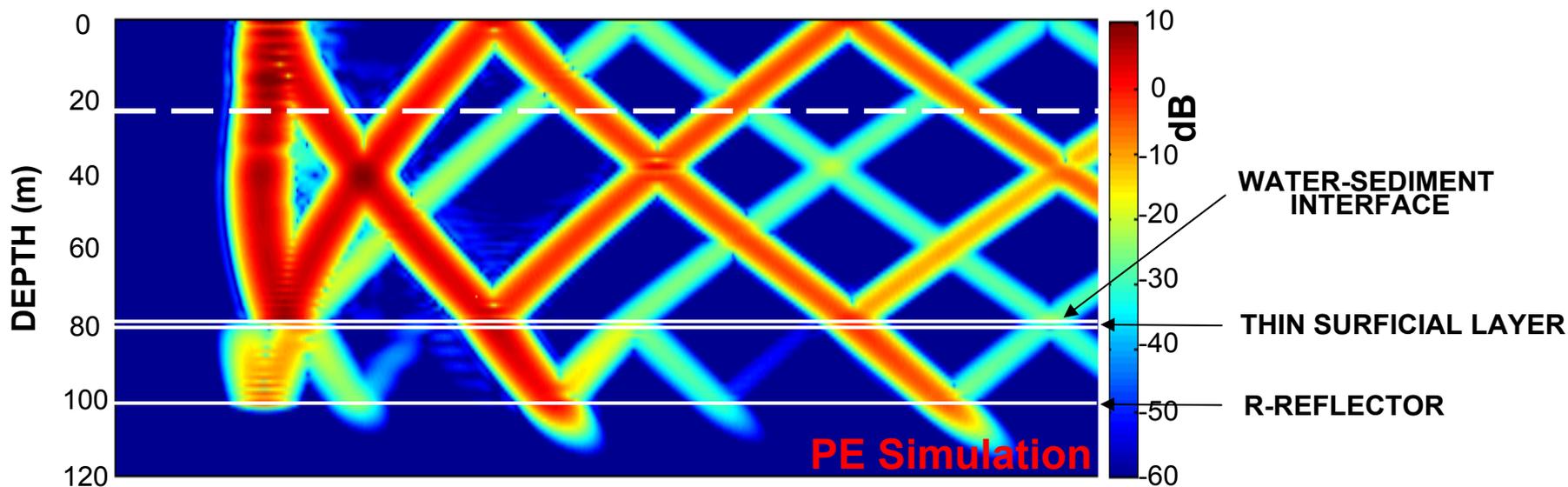
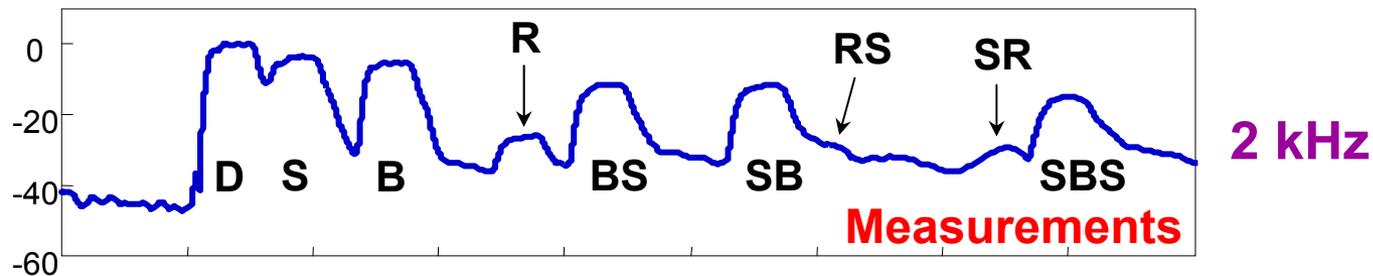
4. Densities for 1st & 2nd layers assumed to be 2.1 and 2.0 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, respectively.

Ref.) Goff et. al. (2007) JASA 122 2983

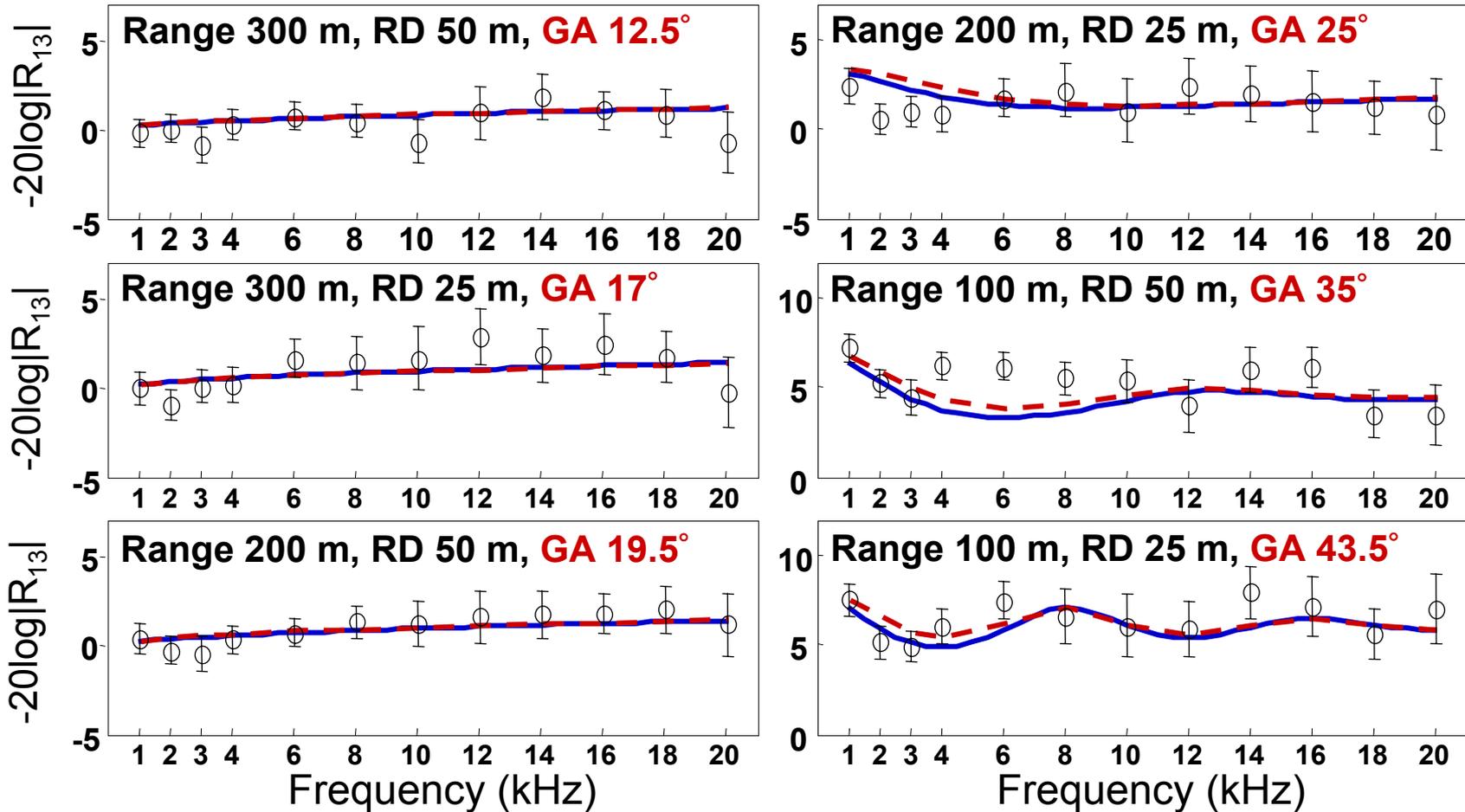
5. R reflector as Half-space with 1740 m/s, 2.2 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, 0.3 dB/m/kHz

Ref.) Jiang & Chapman (JASA, in press)

# MEASUREMENTS VS. SIMULATION

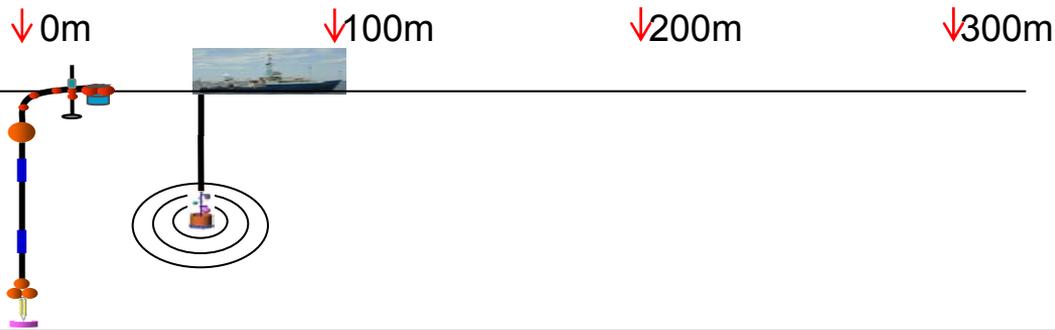


# BOTTOM LOSS FOR FIRST TWO LAYERS

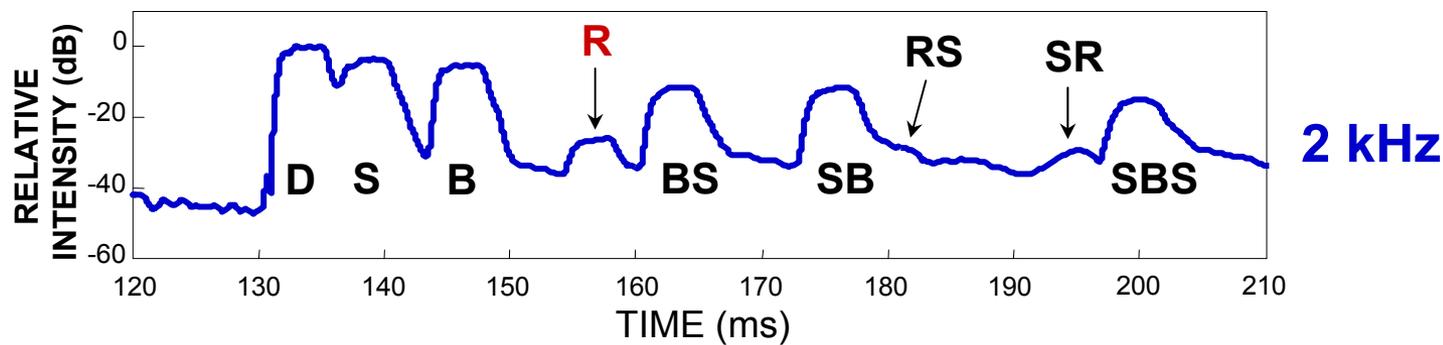
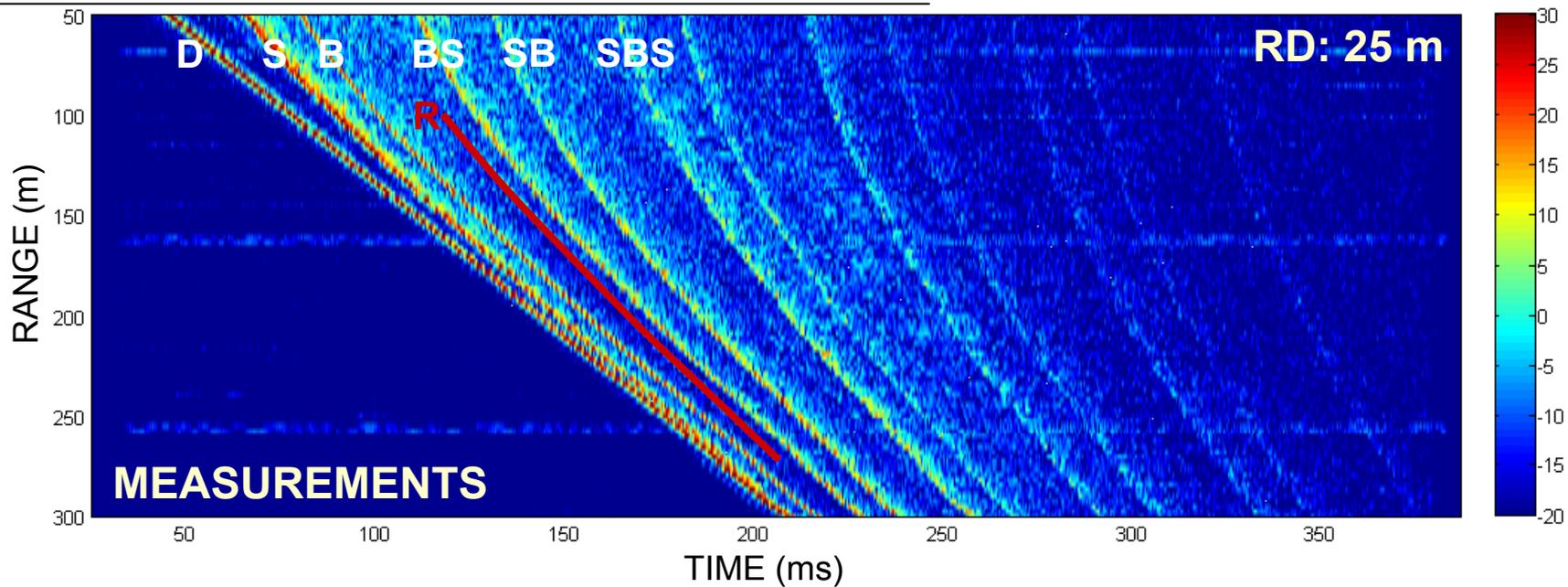


Surficial layer ——— 1730 m/s  
----- 1650-1728 m/s (for 1 – 20 kHz)

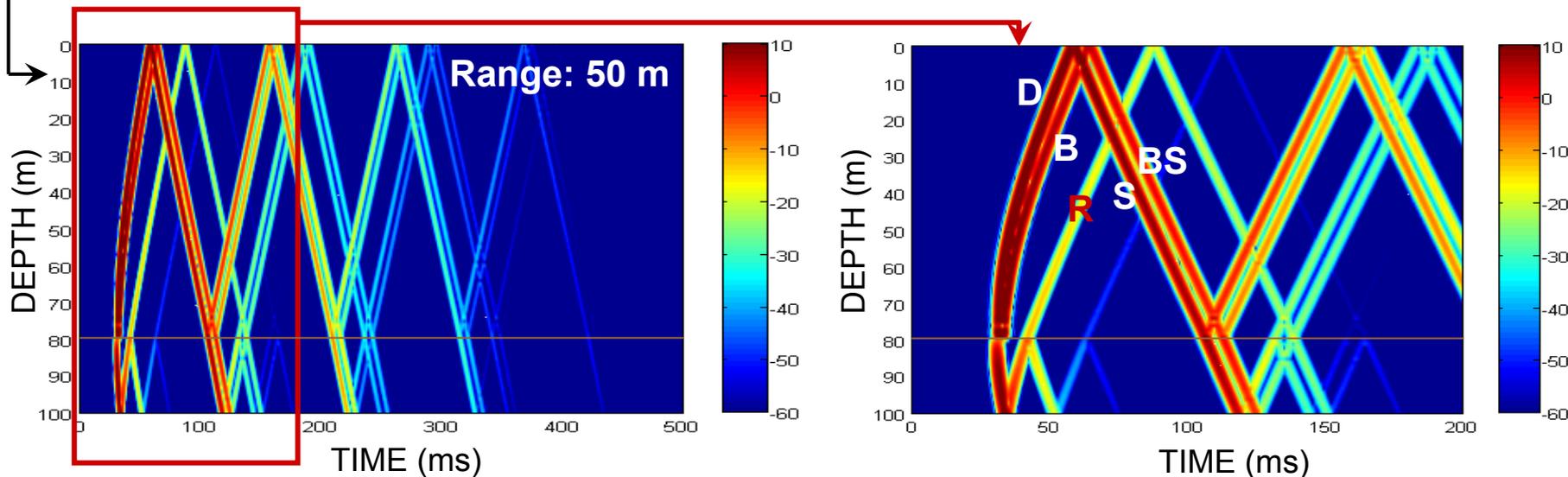
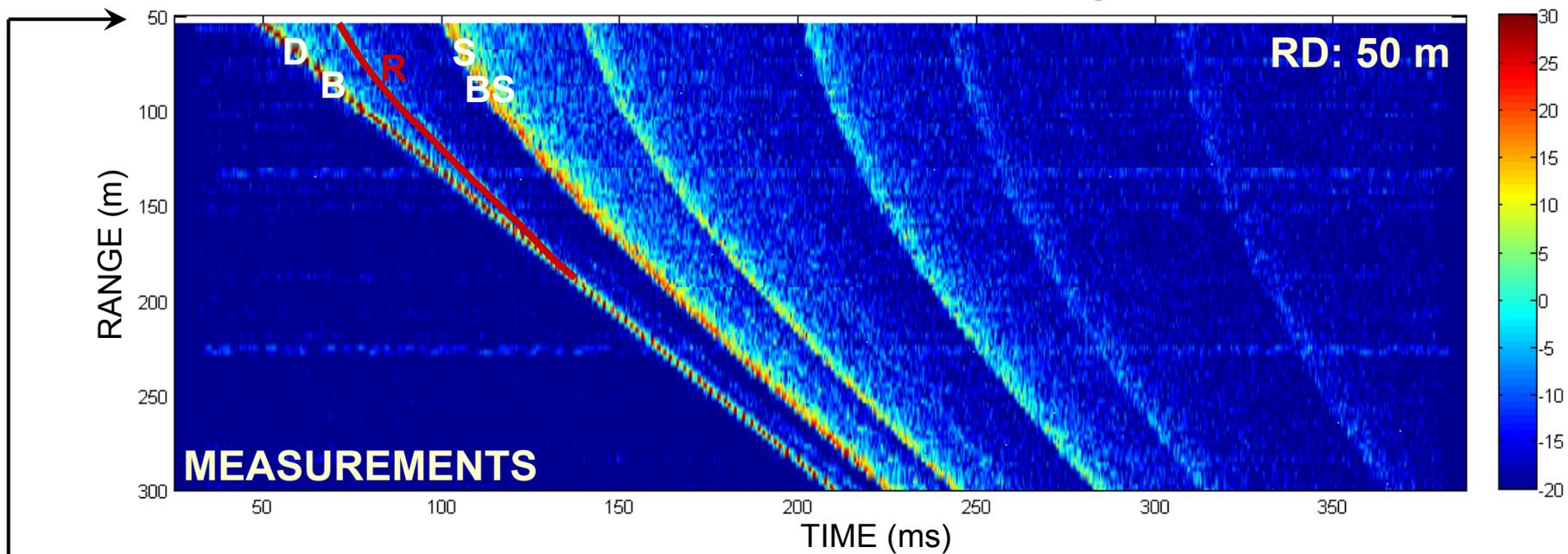
$$\alpha = 0.2 f^{1.6} \text{ dB/m, } f: \text{ kHz}$$



**MOVING SOURCE SD: 40 m**



# MOVING SOURCE SD: 75 m depth



**PE SIMULATED ACOUSITC FIELD**

# ***SUMMARY***

Acoustic bottom-interacting measurements from SW06  
in New Jersey Continental Shelf, WD 80 m

(1) Direct measurements of the reflection from the R-reflector  
(for  $< 6$  kHz)

(2) Reflection Coeff. ( $R_{13}$ ) measurements (for 1-20 kHz)

→ *show a thin ( $\sim 20$  cm) higher sound speed layer  
overlaying a thicker ( $\sim 20$  m) lower sound speed layer  
ending at a high-impedance reflector (R-reflector)*

THANK YOU !

감사합니다!(GAM SA HAM NI DA!)

