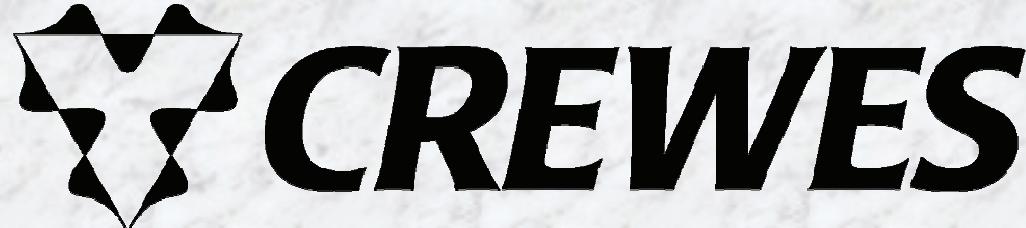




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Outline

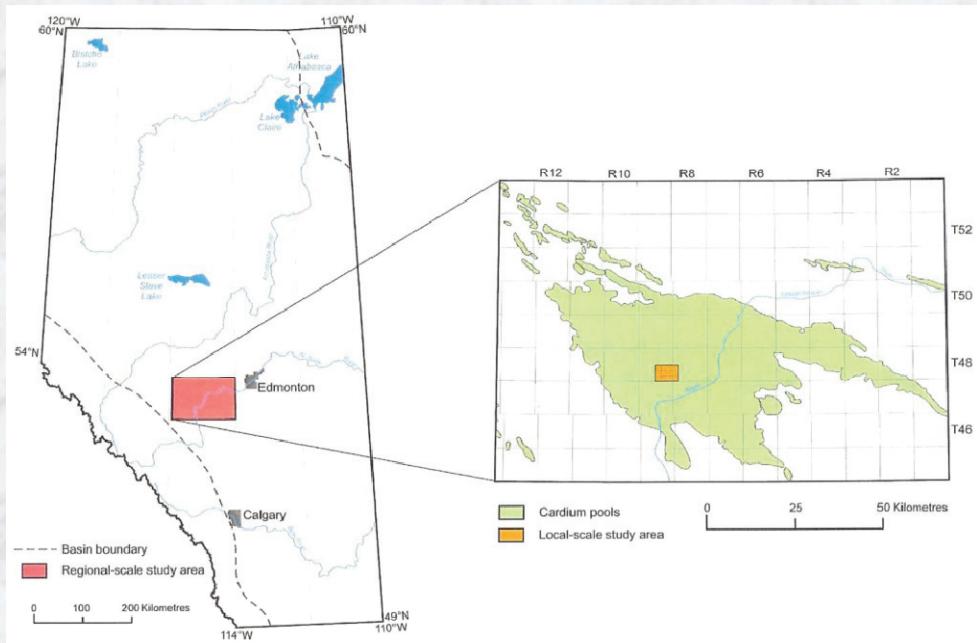
- Background and Study Area
- Orientation Azimuths
 - Survey consistency
 - Time-lapse differencing
- Repeatability
- Conclusions
- Acknowledgements

Objectives of Study

- Determine consistency of geophone orientation azimuths
- Determine repeatability of raw data
- Relate parameters to visual consistency of the raw data

Pembina CO₂-EOR – VSP

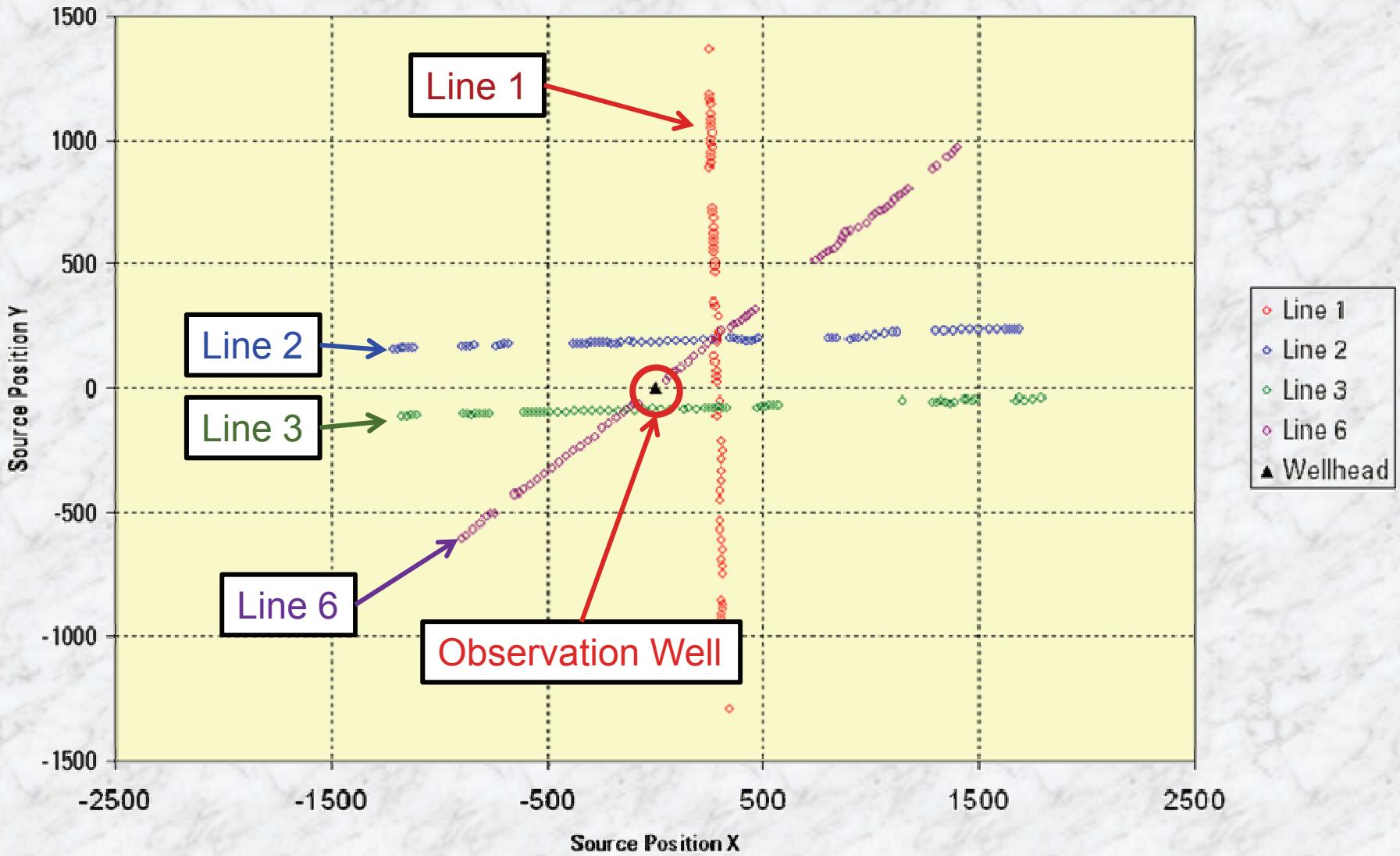
- 8 3-C receivers,
cemented into place
- Placed every 20 m
from 1500 – 1640 m
- Phase I in 2005,
Phase III in 2007
- > 40,000 tons CO₂,
injected by Phase III



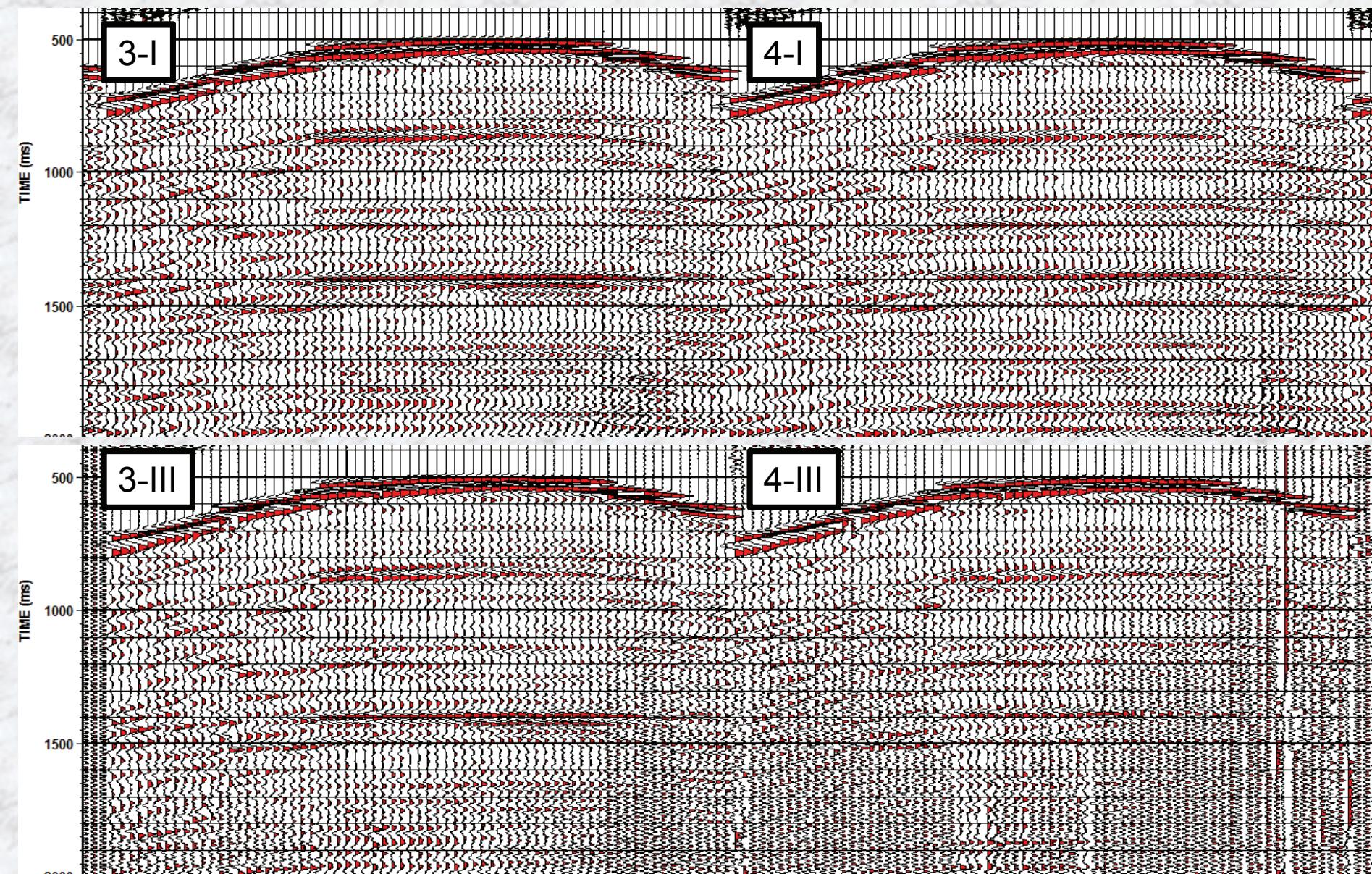
From Dashtgard et al. (2006)

Suggested reading: Hitchon (2009)

Survey Geometry



Common Receiver Gathers (Line 2, Z)



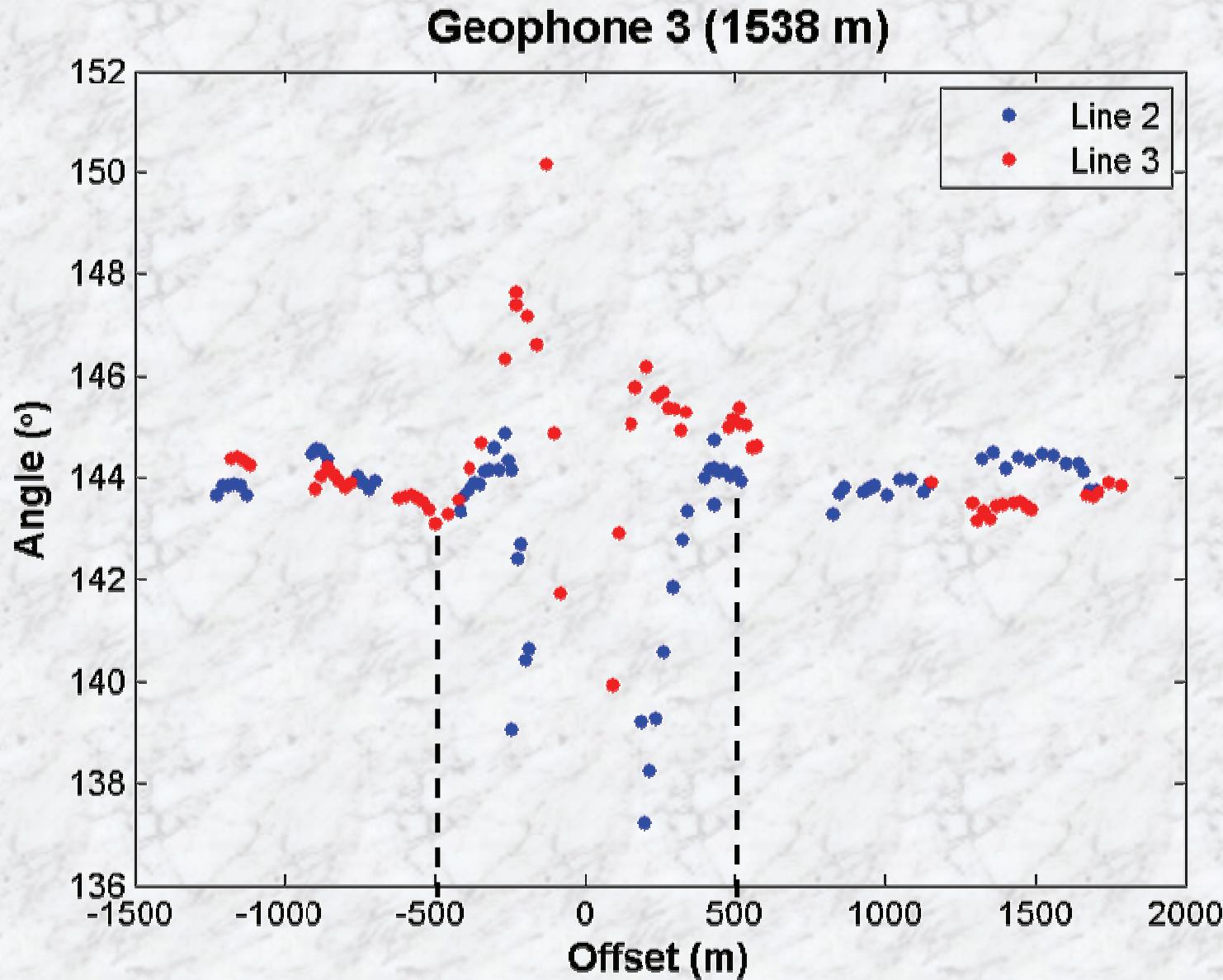
Azimuth Calculations - Method

- The equation used to calculate rotation azimuths (DiSiena et al., 1984) was

$$\tan 2\theta = \frac{2X \otimes Y}{X \otimes X - Y \otimes Y}.$$

- \otimes is a zero lag cross-correlation
- X and Y are the windowed data (100 ms)
- θ is the calculated azimuth

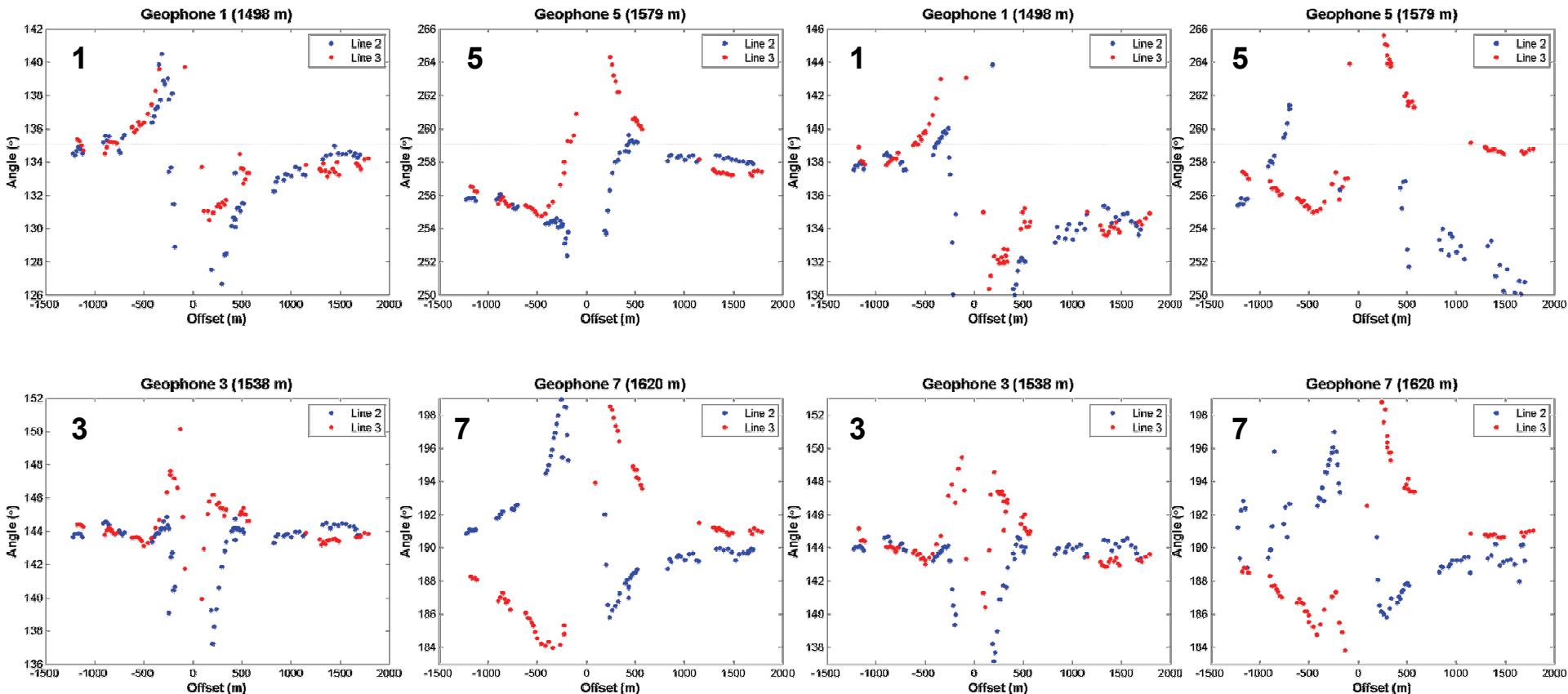
Orientation Azimuths vs. Source Offset



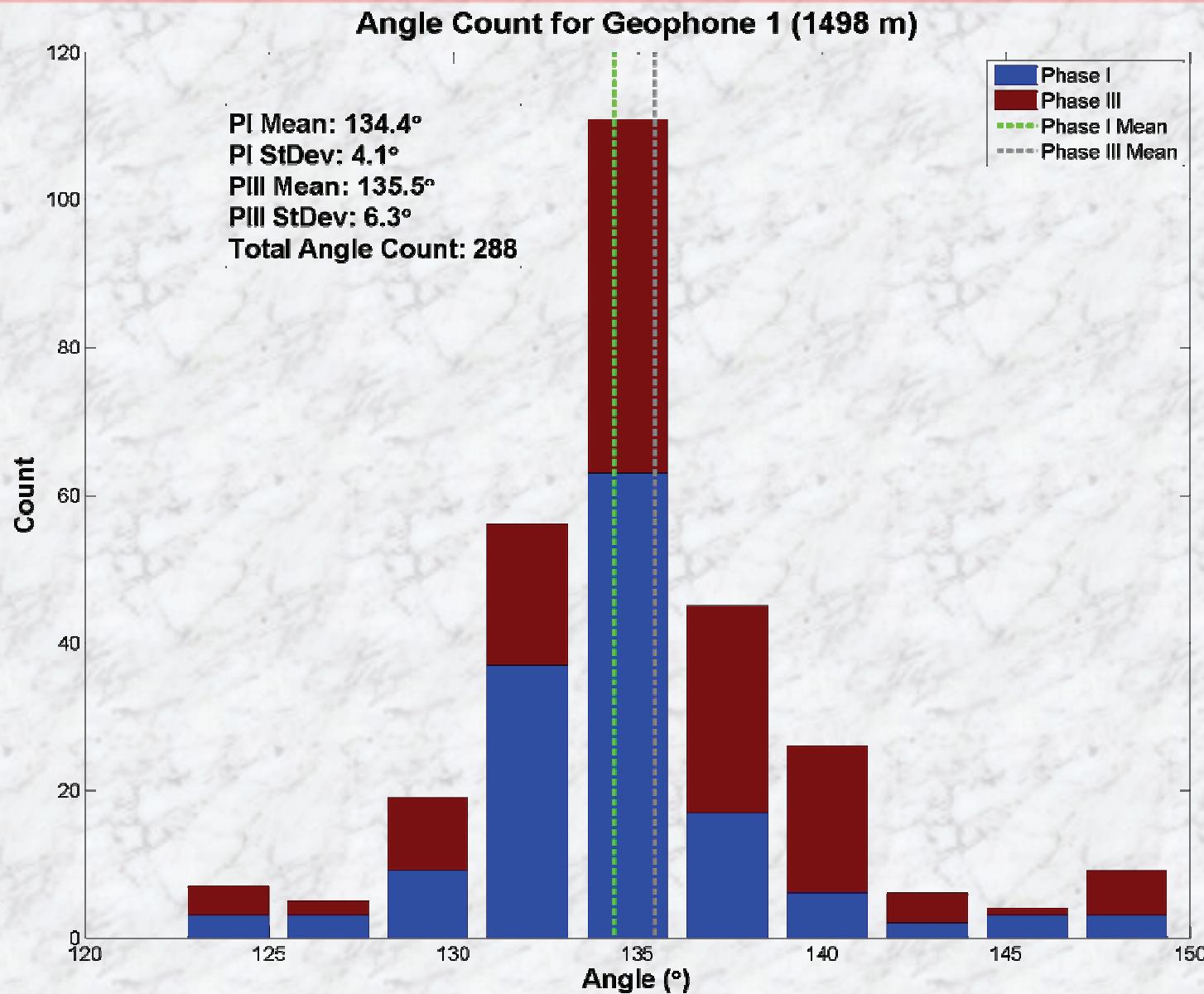
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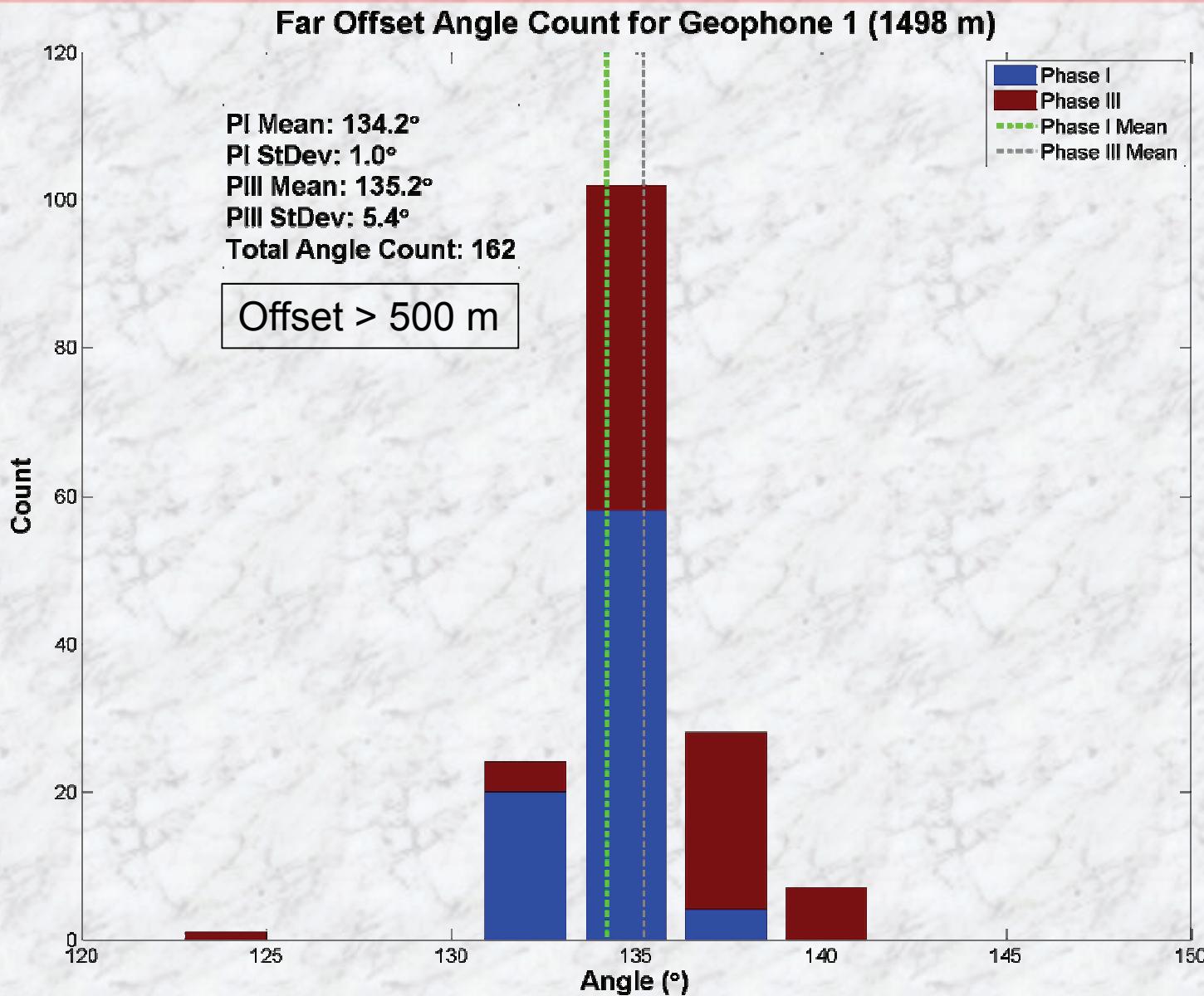
Phase III



Geophone Azimuth Histograms



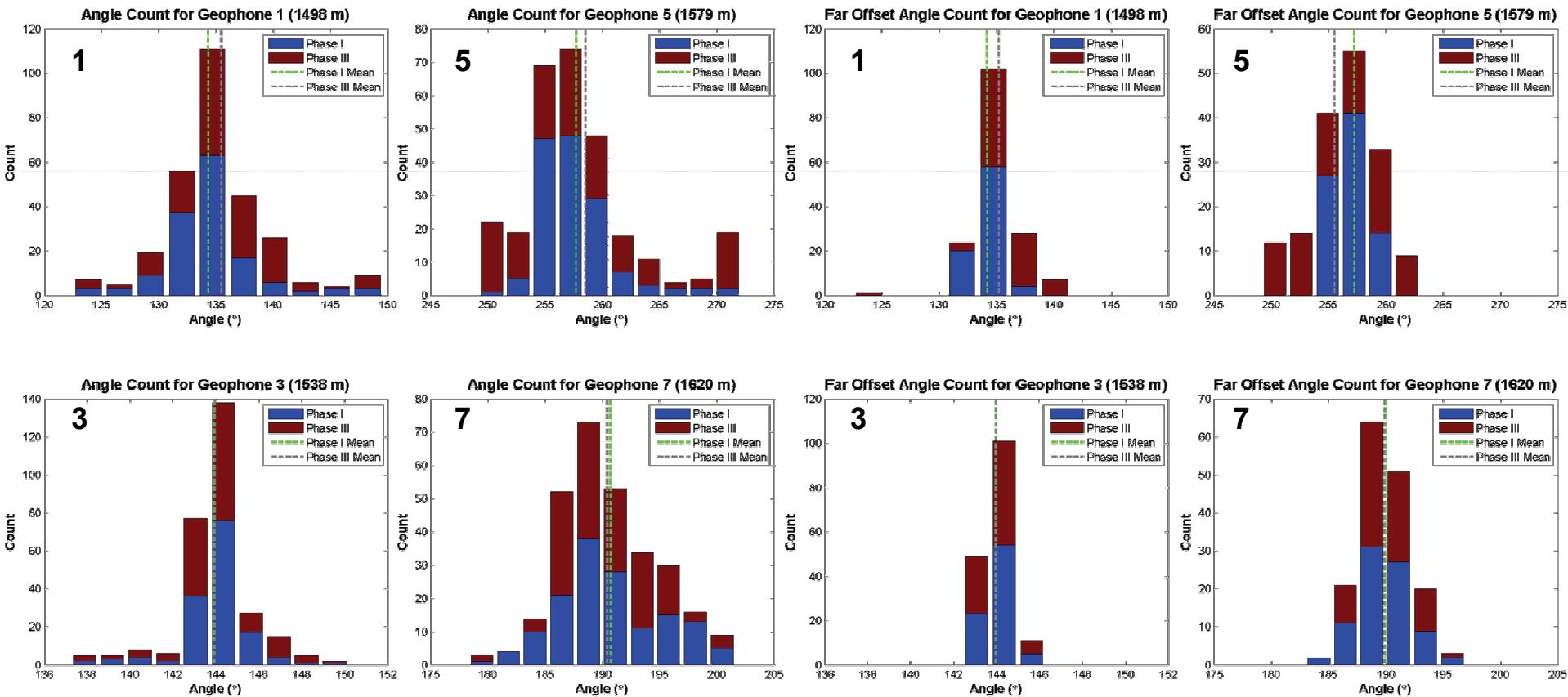
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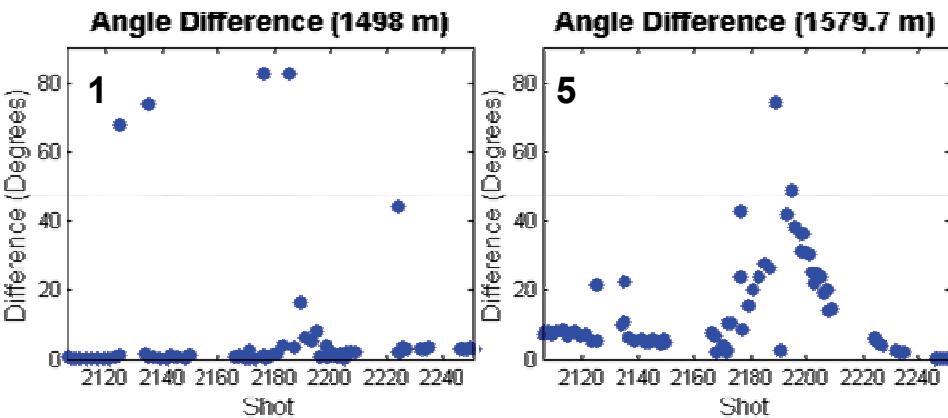
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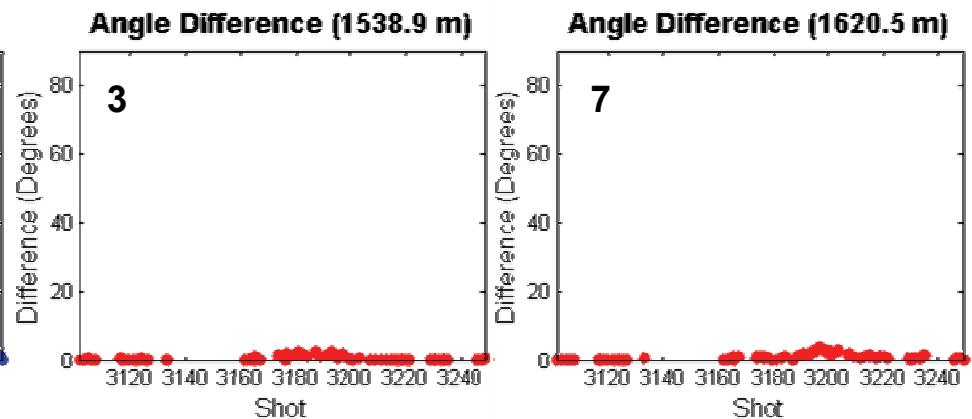
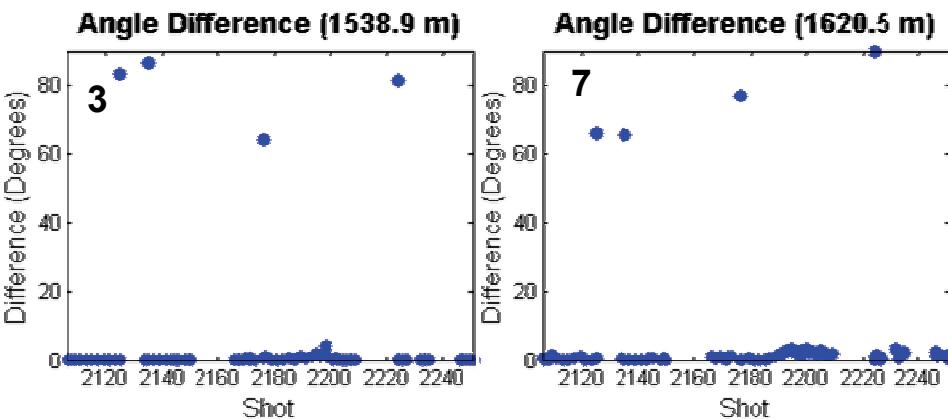
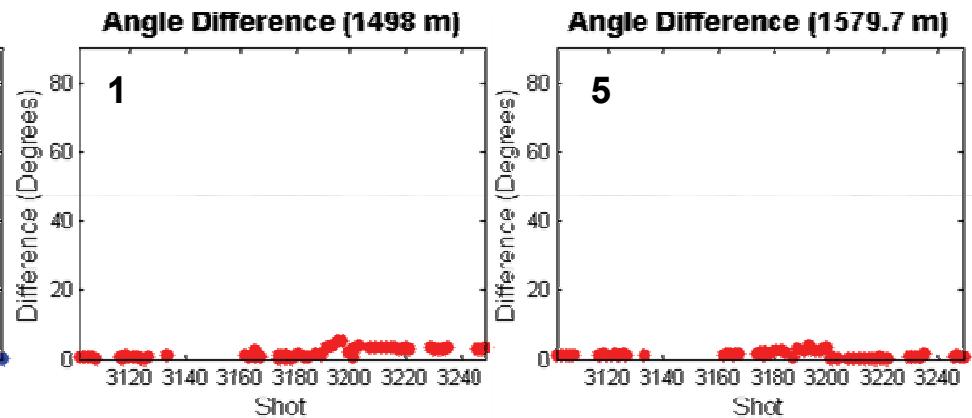
Offset > $\sim 1/3$ Receiver Depth
Offset > 500 m

Orientation Azimuth Differences

Line 2



Line 3



Repeatability – Methods

- Nrms is given as (Kragh and Christie, 2002)

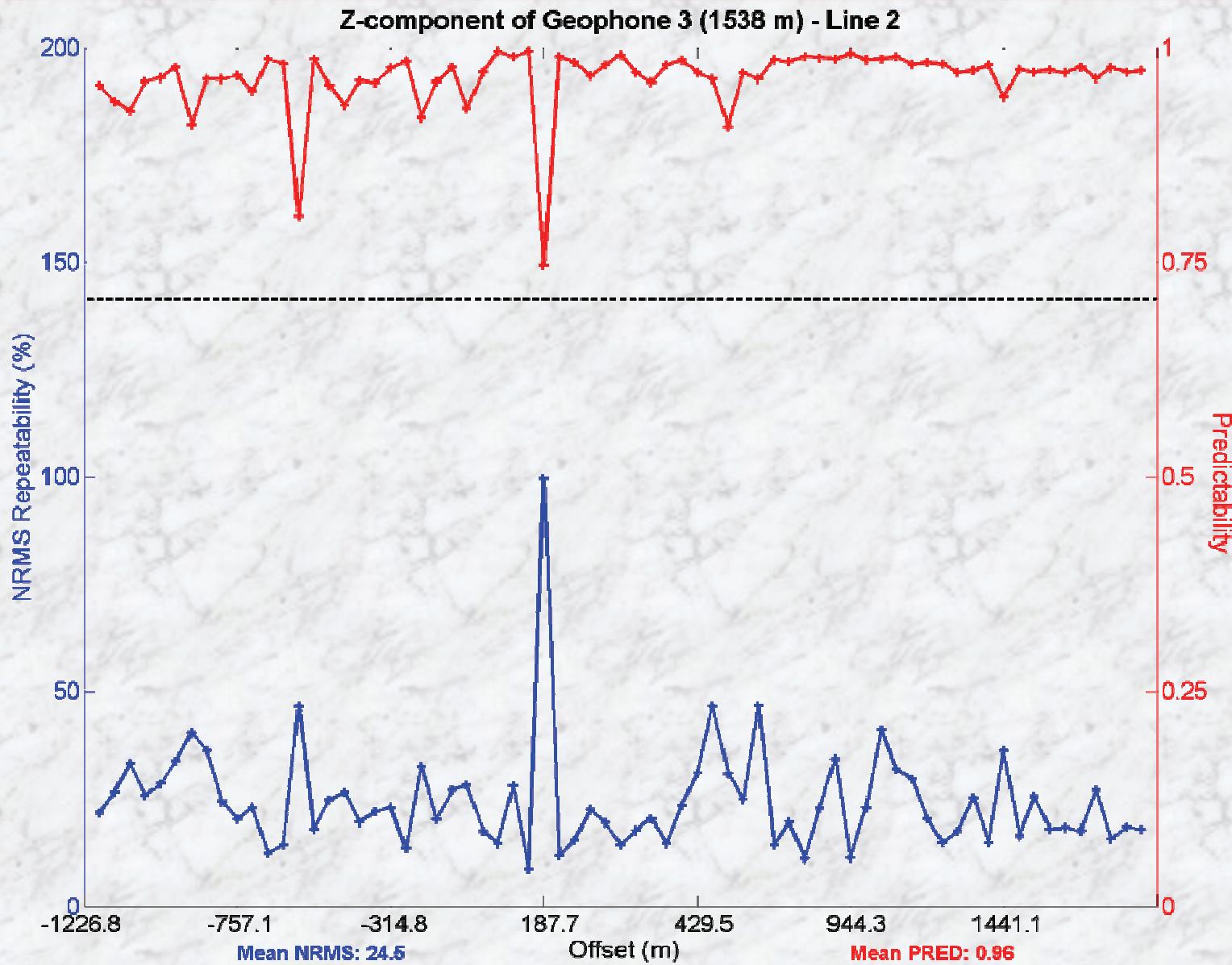
$$NRMS = \frac{200 \times RMS(a_t - b_t)}{RMS(a_t) + RMS(b_t)}. \quad RMS(x_t) = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{t_1}^{t_2} x_t^2}{N}}$$

- Predictability is given as (Kragh and Christie, 2002)

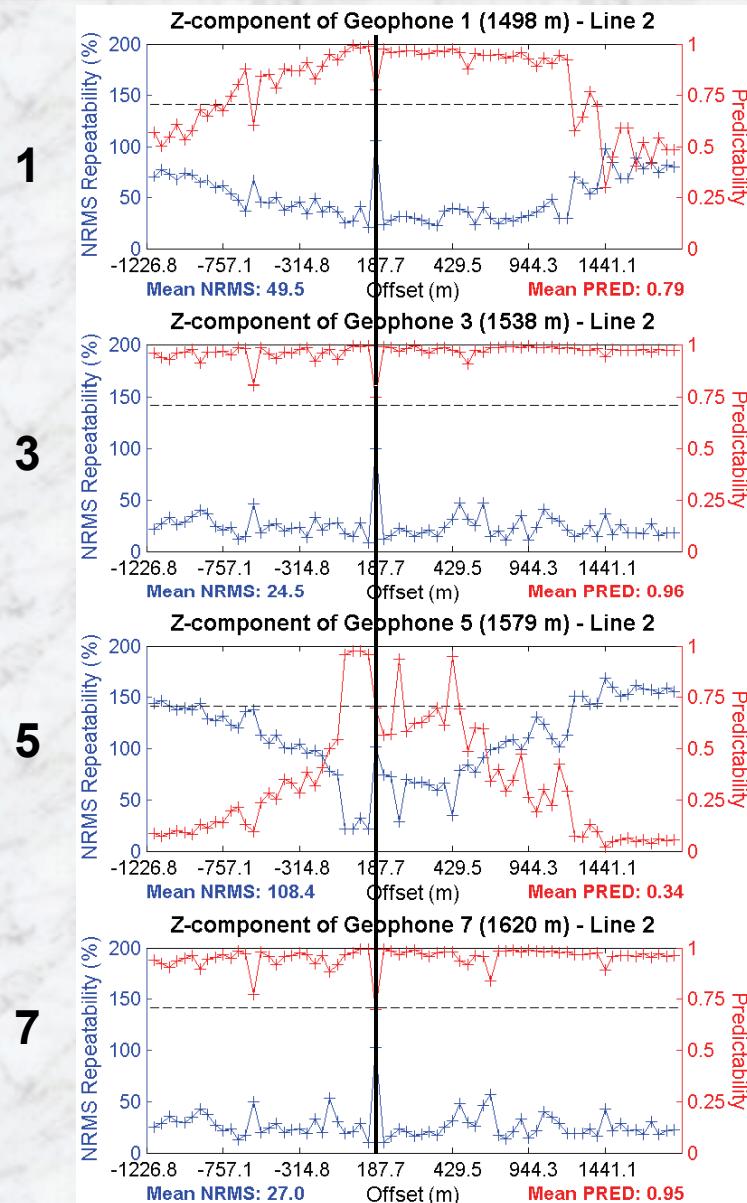
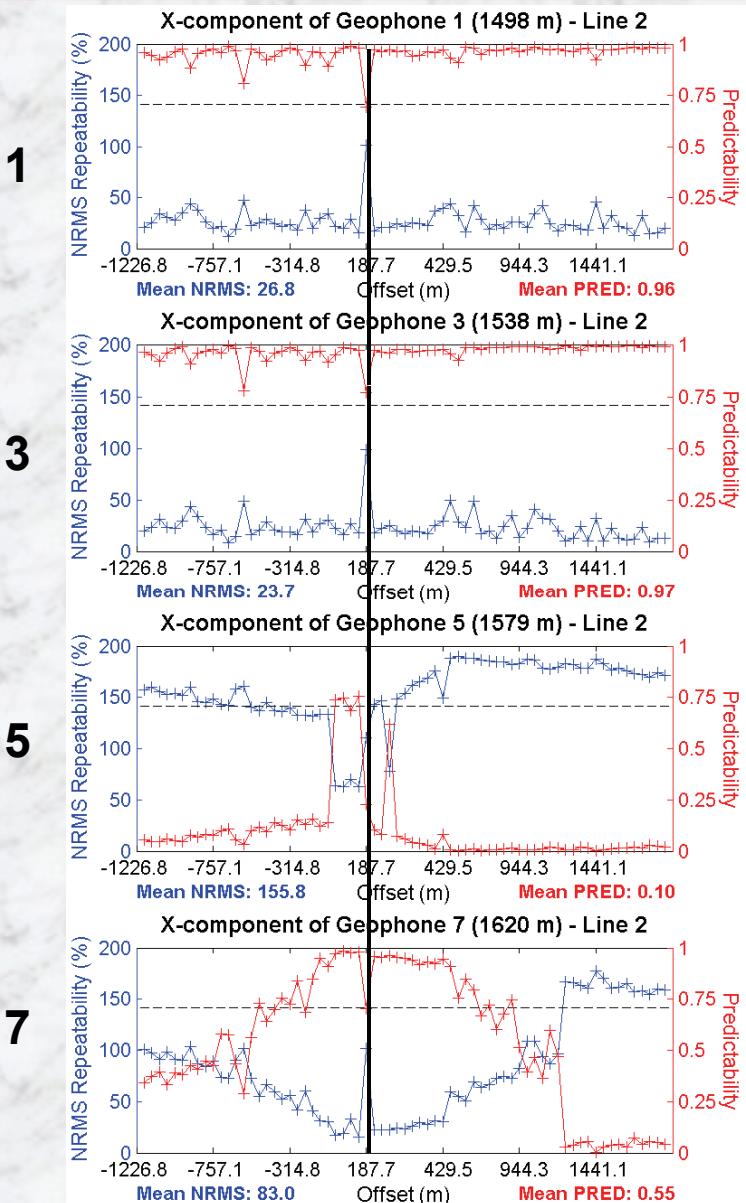
$$PRED = \frac{\sum_{t_1}^{t_2} \Phi_{ab}(\tau) \times \Phi_{ab}(\tau)}{\sum_{t_1}^{t_2} \Phi_{aa}(\tau) \times \Phi_{bb}(\tau)}.$$

- Φ represents a cross-correlation (zero-lag)
- a and b are the two traces being compared
- t_1 and t_2 represent time window (whole trace)

NRMS and PRED: Line 2

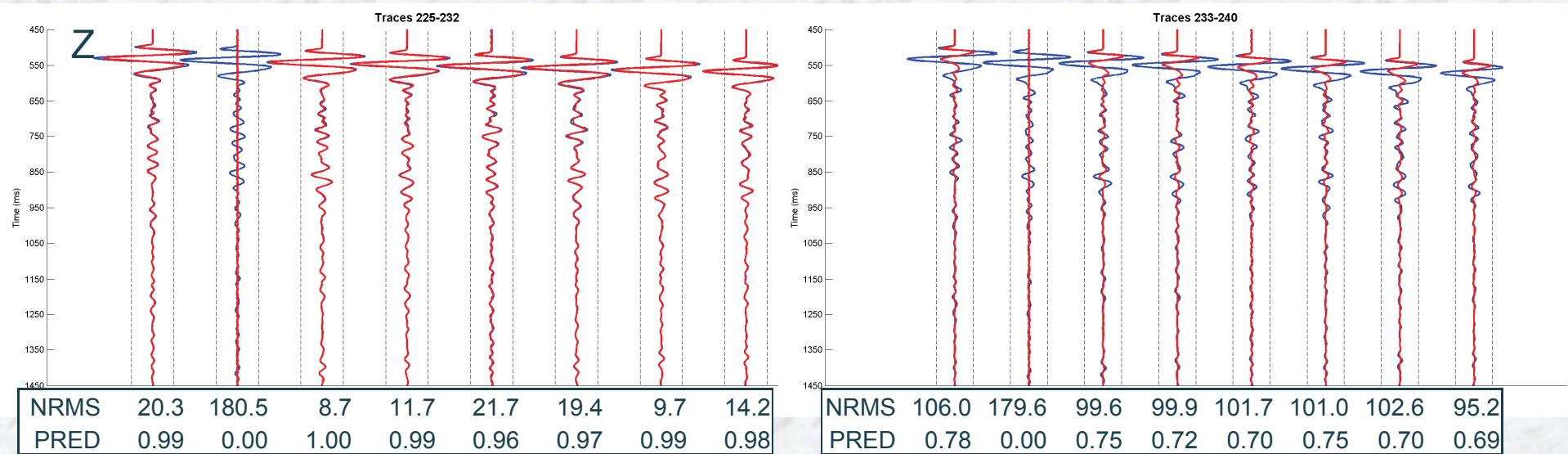
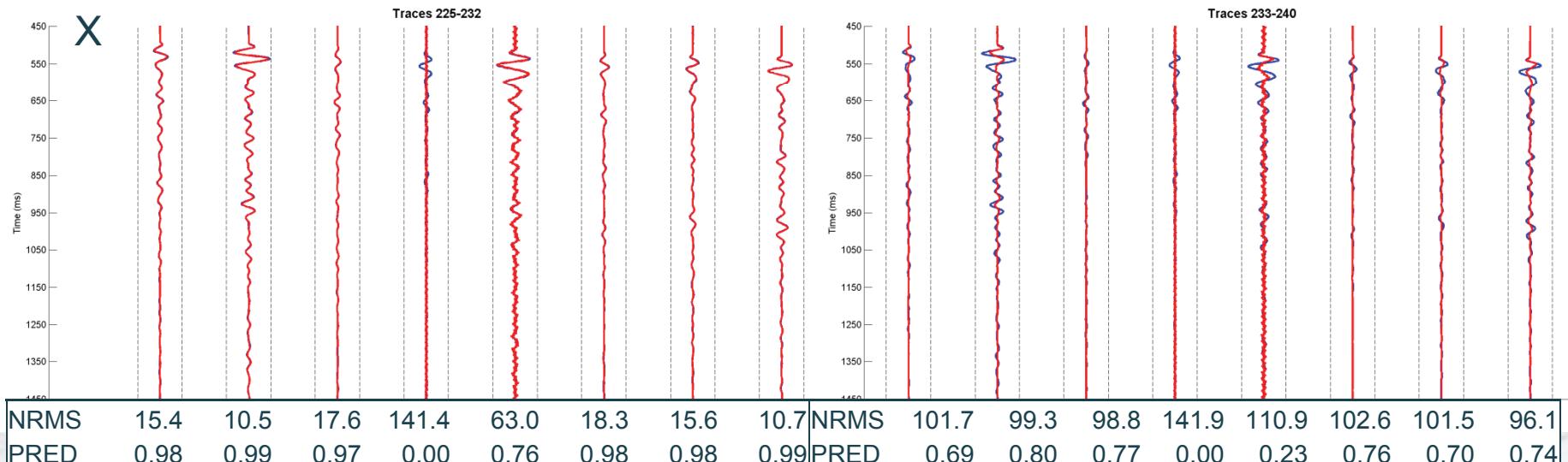


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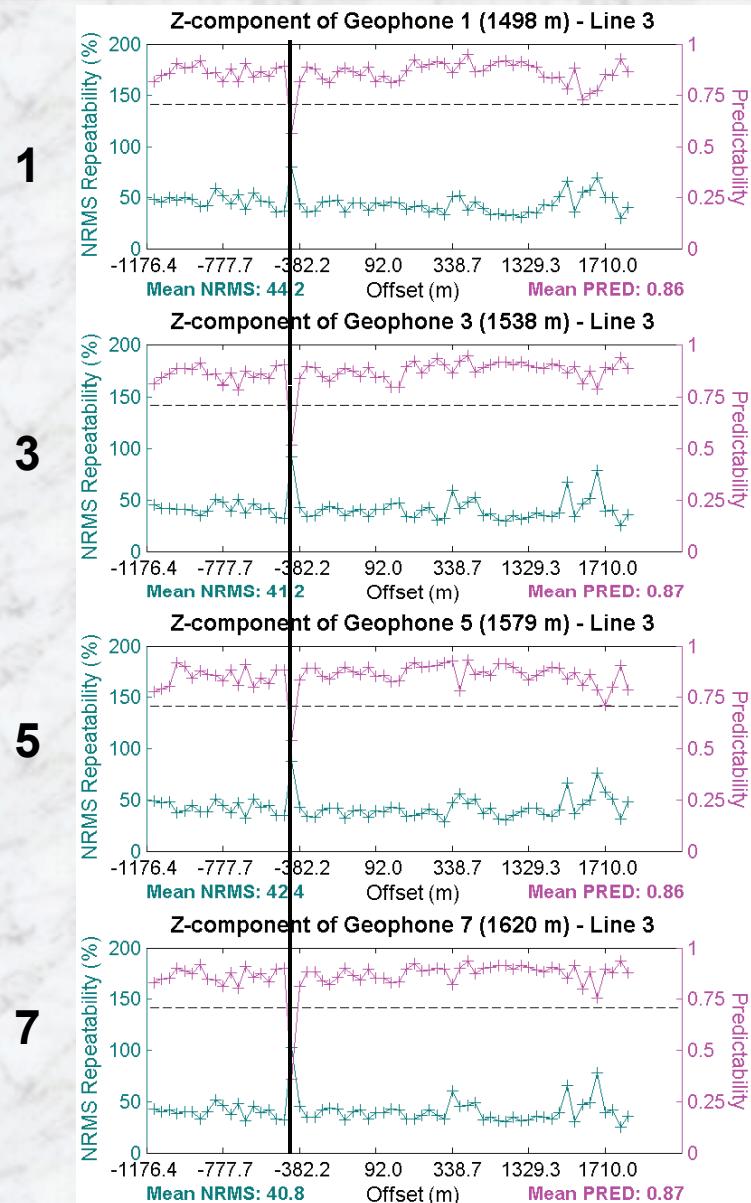
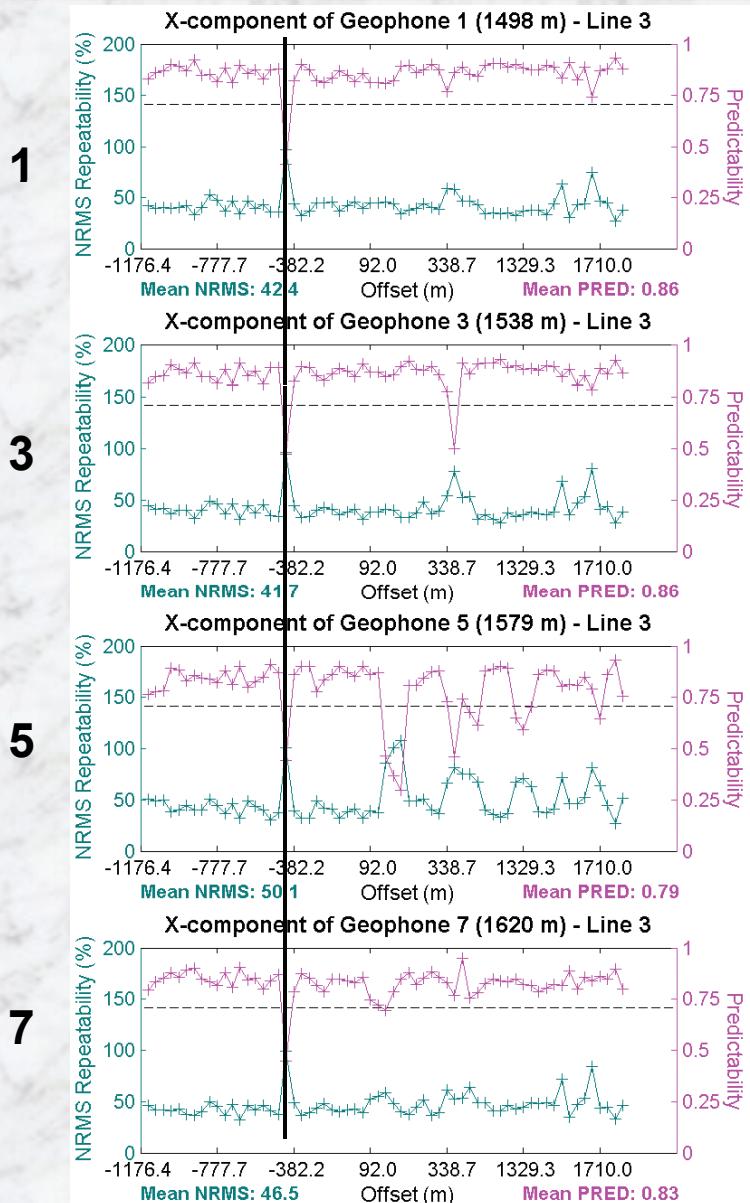


Shot 2171 and 2172

— Phase I
— Phase III

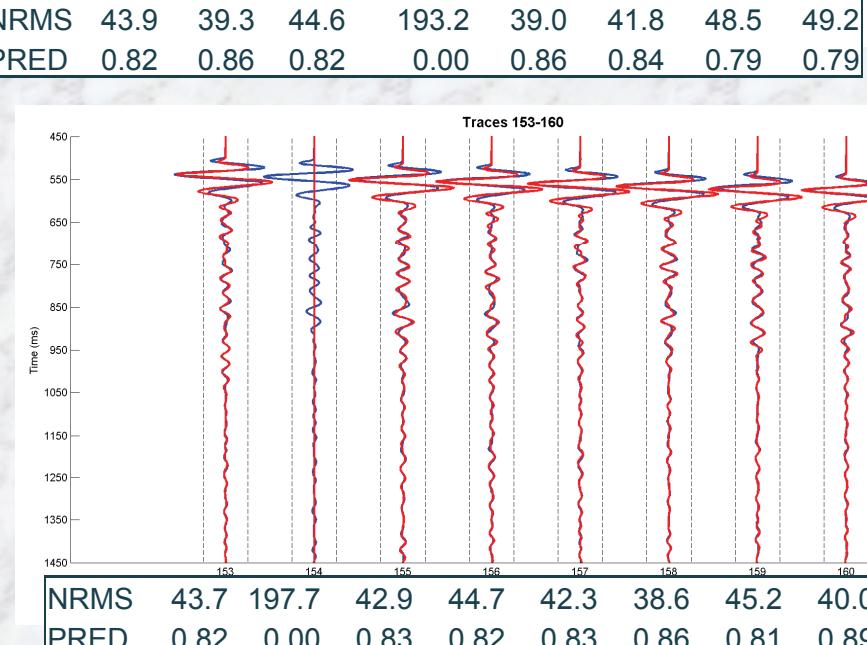
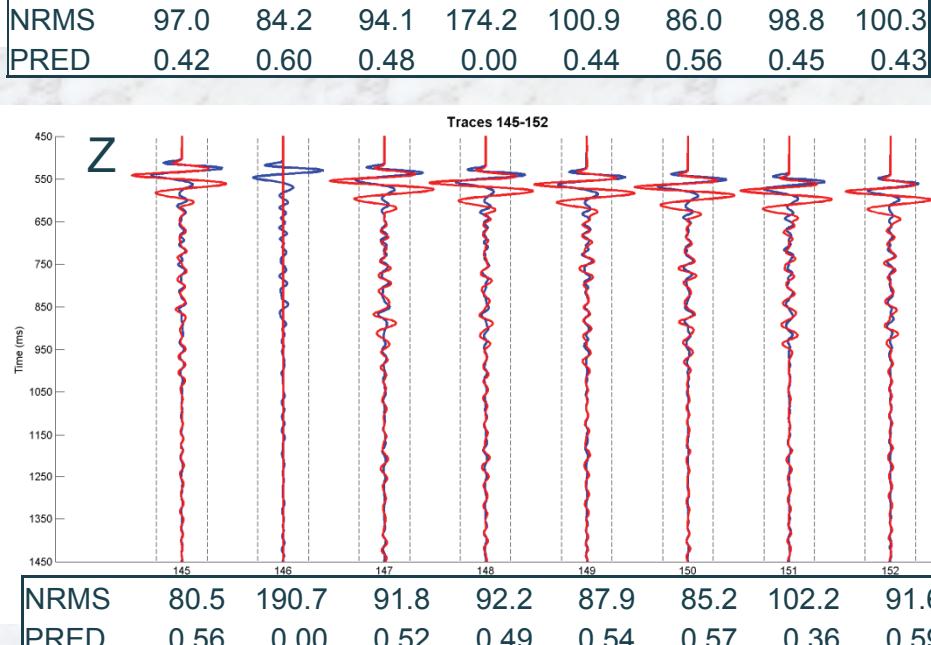
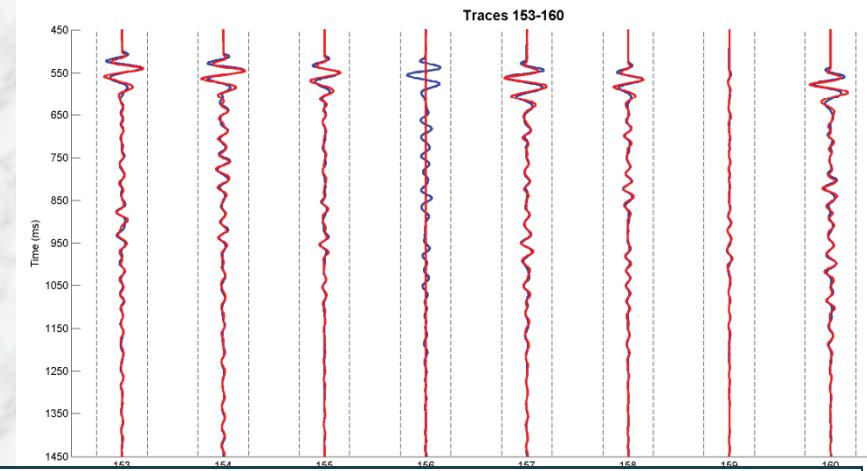
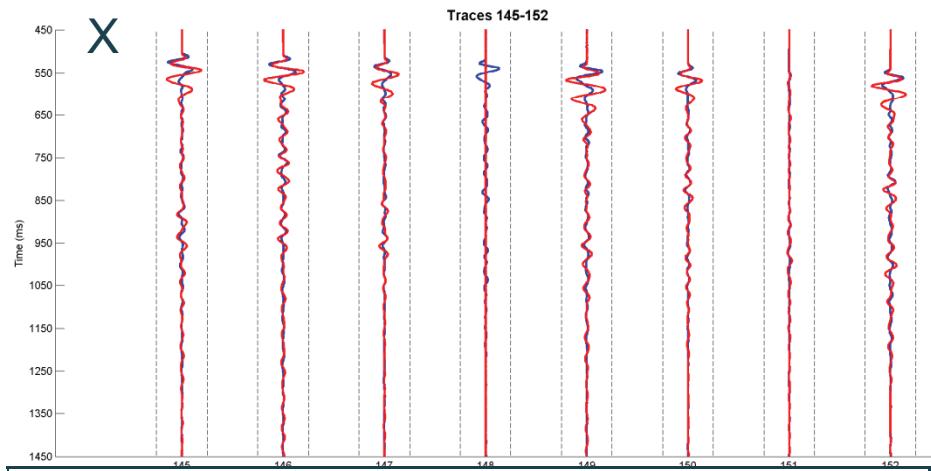


NRMS and PRED: Line 3



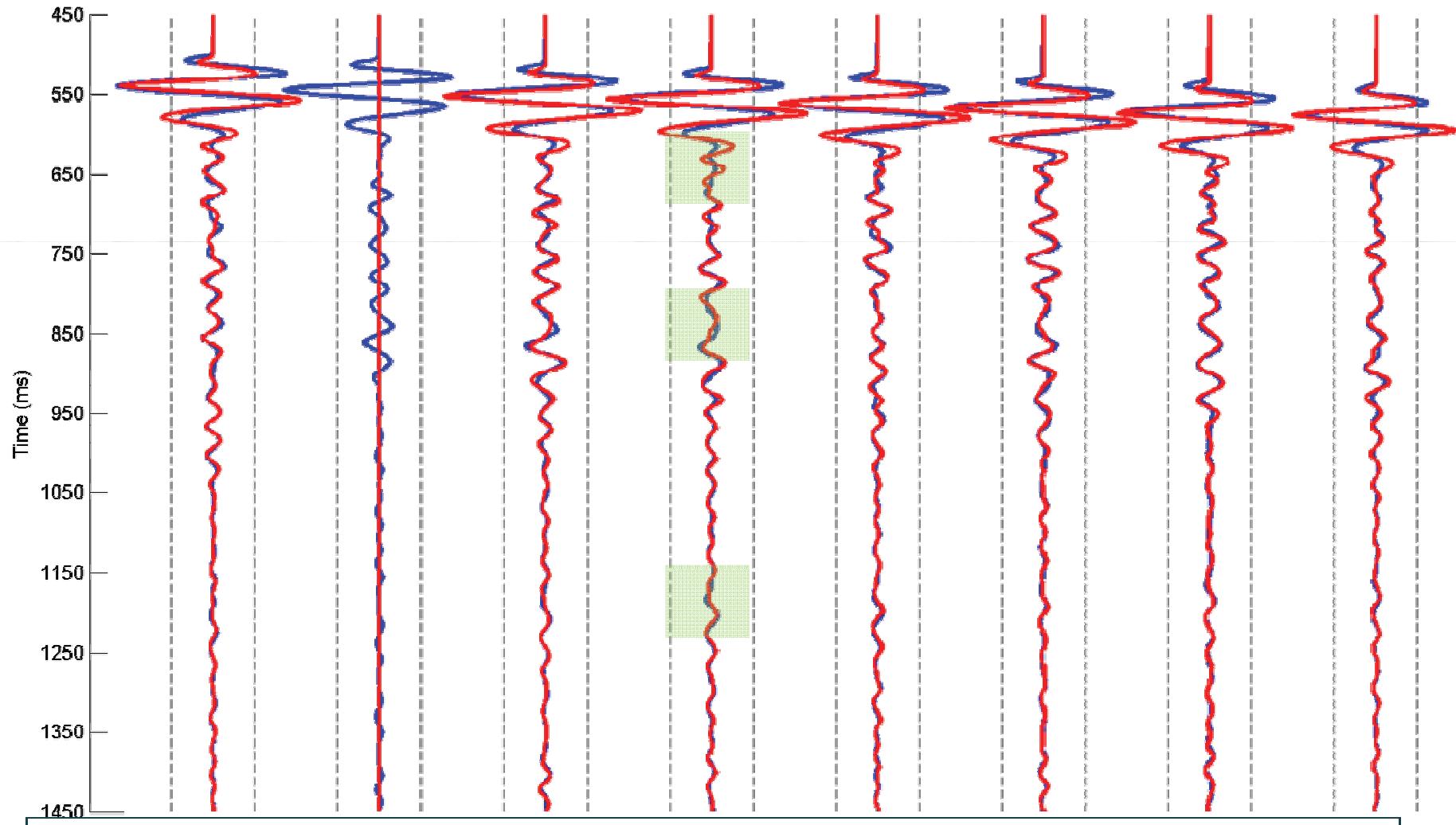
Shot 3164 and 3165

— Phase I
— Phase III



Shot 3164 and 3165

Phase I
Phase III



NRMS	43.7	197.7	42.9	44.7	42.3	38.6	45.2	40.0
PRED	0.82	0.00	0.83	0.82	0.83	0.86	0.81	0.89

Conclusions (1/2)

- NRMS values (working data):
 - 61.4% and 45.3% (horizontal)
 - 42.8% and 41.4% (vertical)
- Predictability values (working data):
 - 0.72 and 0.83 (horizontal)
 - 0.83 and 0.86 (vertical)
- Visual correlation was good between Phase I and III, but different for Line 2 and Line 3

Conclusions – (2/2)

- Strongest negative effect on repeatability due to small differences in source location and differences in noise
- Geophone orientation analysis:
 - Offsets greater than ~1/3 of receiver depth showed better consistency
 - Calculated angles very consistent between Phase I and III (54.2% and 85.9% within 2°)
- Repeatability of the raw data was found to be of medium quality

Future Work

- Recovery and analysis of Line 1 data
- Relationship between receiver depth and orientation azimuth consistency
- Re-calculating repeatability and orientation azimuth after processing
- Effect of CO₂ on repeatability
- Imaging of CO₂ using all 3 components

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