

Earthquake on the Hussar low-frequency experiment

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Location Map: Earthquake epicenter ~1050 km from experiment
- Earthquake was recorded on all components of all sensors

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Vancouver Island

Coast Mountains

British Columbia

Alberta

You are here
(Banff)

Columbia Mountains

Hussar Experiment

Calgary

Washington

Cascade Range

Rocky Mountains
Bitterroot Range

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Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO

51°06'40.13" N 121°56'43.24" W elev 1360 m

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Eye alt 1465.17 km



Nanometrics seismometer

Compact *Small, highly portable seismometer*

The superior performance
with the installation
phone. The instrument
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flat to velocity
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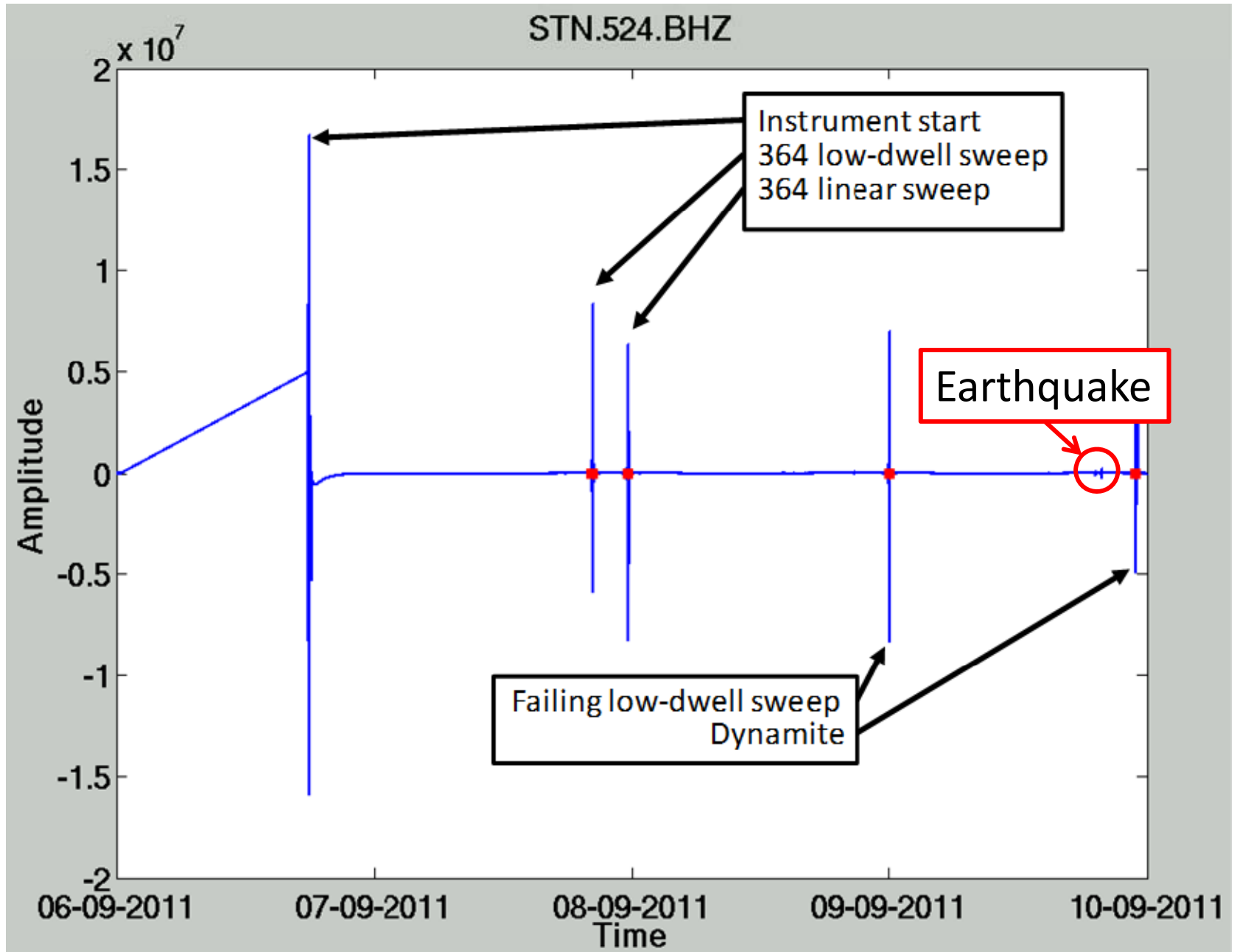
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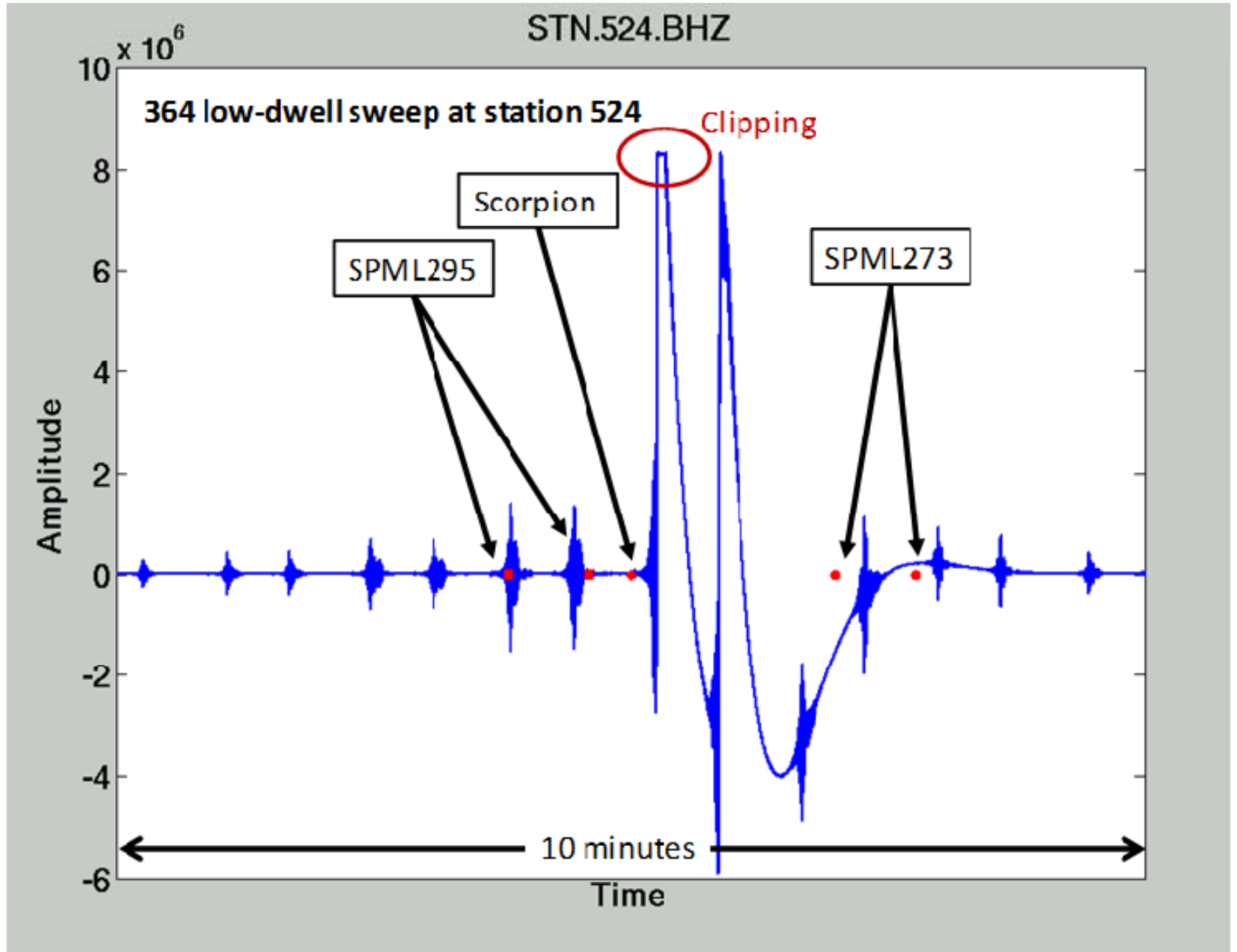
Nanometrics seismometer in the field



Nanometrics seismometer data. Trace length = 4 days



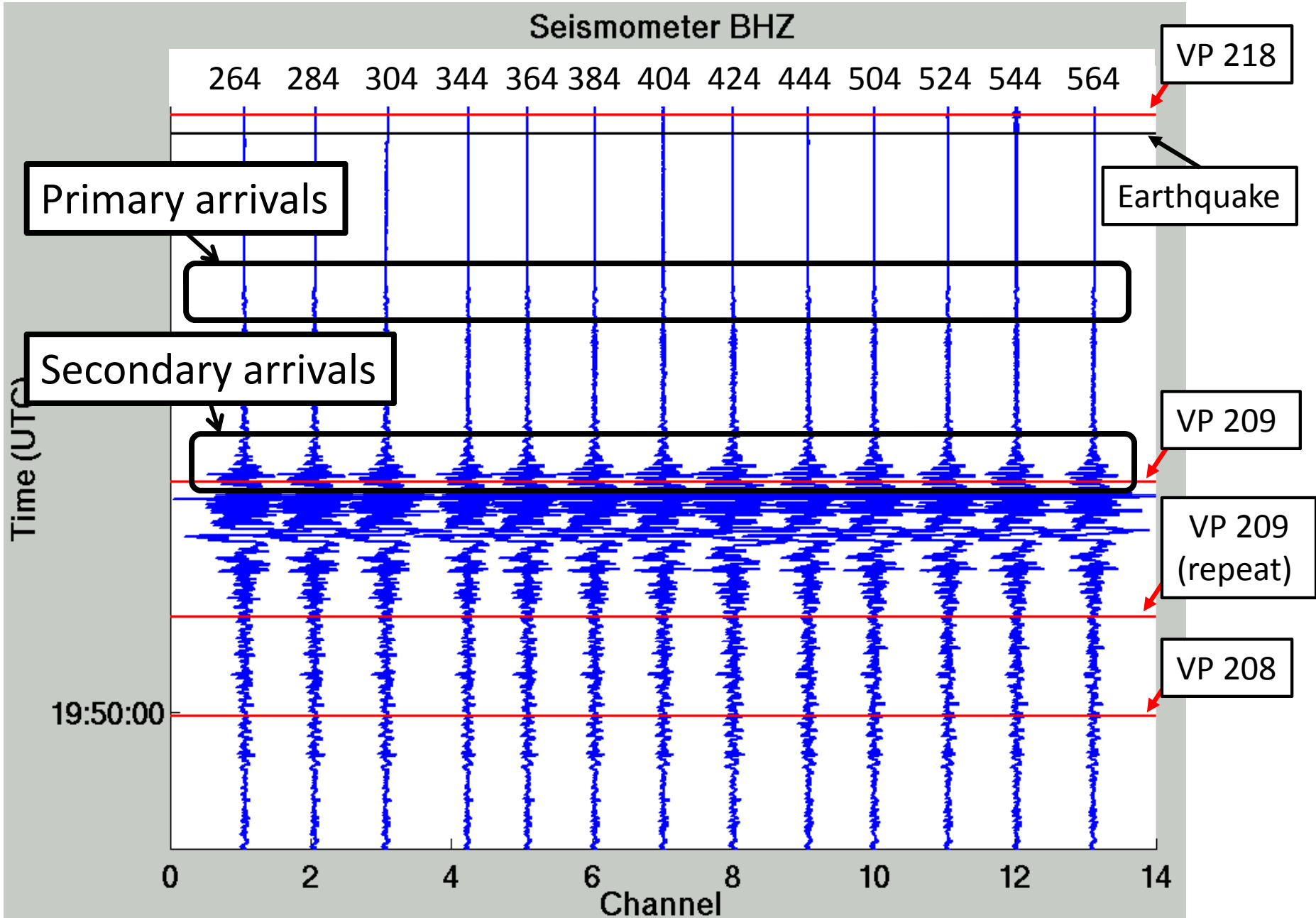
Nanometrics seismometer data, Trace length = 10 minutes



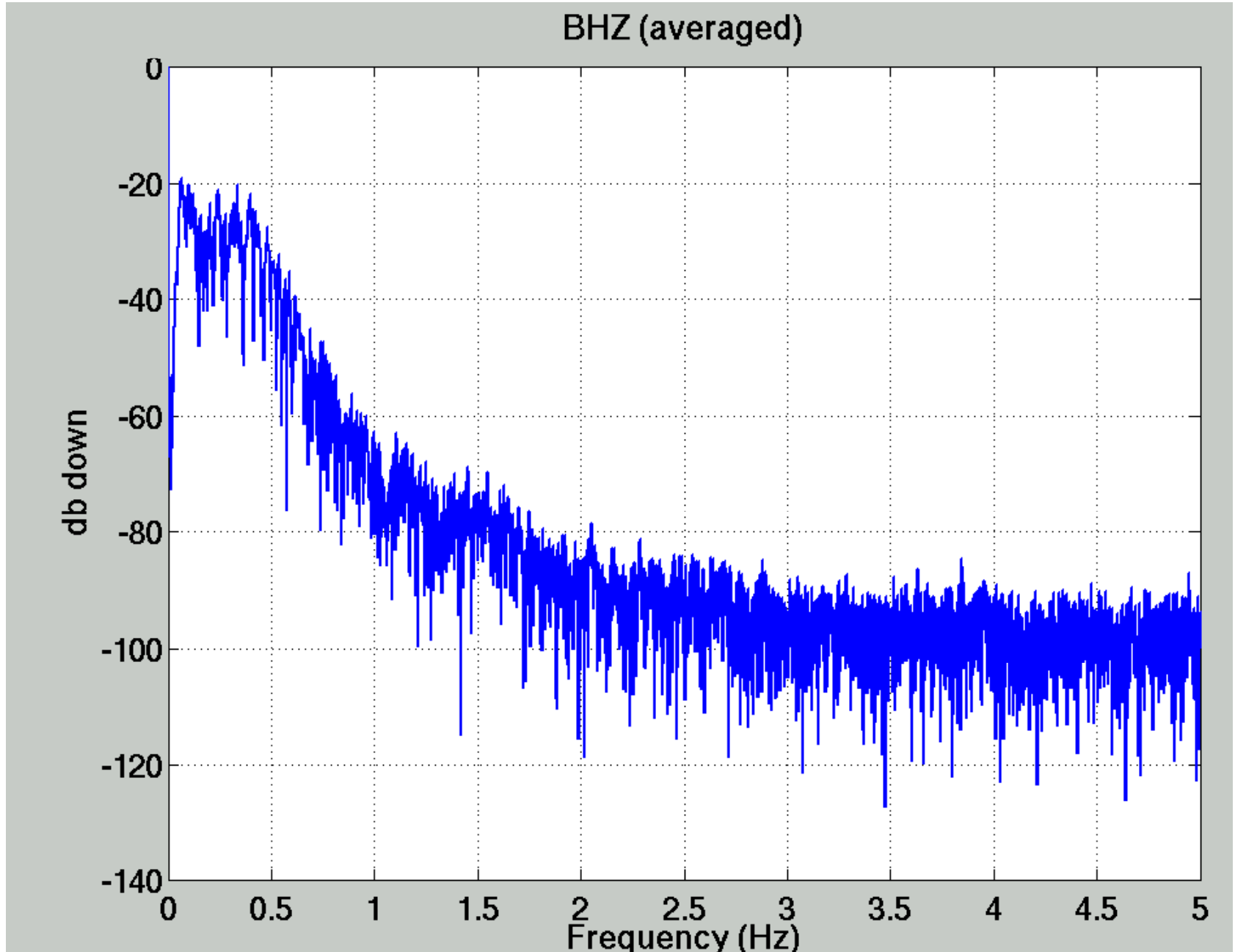
Observers Notes

SPML 273 Flag	SPML 273 File	SPML 295 File	Scorpion SHOT ID	Scorpion TIME (UTC)	Scorpion COMMENTS
Flag	File	File	SHOT ID	TIME	COMMENTS
218	2142	2230	1315593673	9/9/2011 19:41:14	35M S.E.
218	2143	2231			
209	2145	2233	1315593998	9/9/2011 19:46:43	Void File Earthquake
209	2146	2234			
209			1315594116	9/9/2011 19:48:38	
208	2148	2236	1315594204	9/9/2011 19:50:05	
208	2149	2237			

Nanometrics seismometer data. Trace length = 11.5 minutes



Nanometrics seismometer data. Averaged amplitude spectrum



Low-frequency recording limits

Hardware/Software
low-cut filters

Aries recorders: 3 Hz low-cut filter was turned off.

Scorpion recorder: 1.6 Hz low-cut could not be turned off (??)

Nanometrics recorders: No low-cut (??)

low-cut filters in the hardware (??)

Receiver limitations

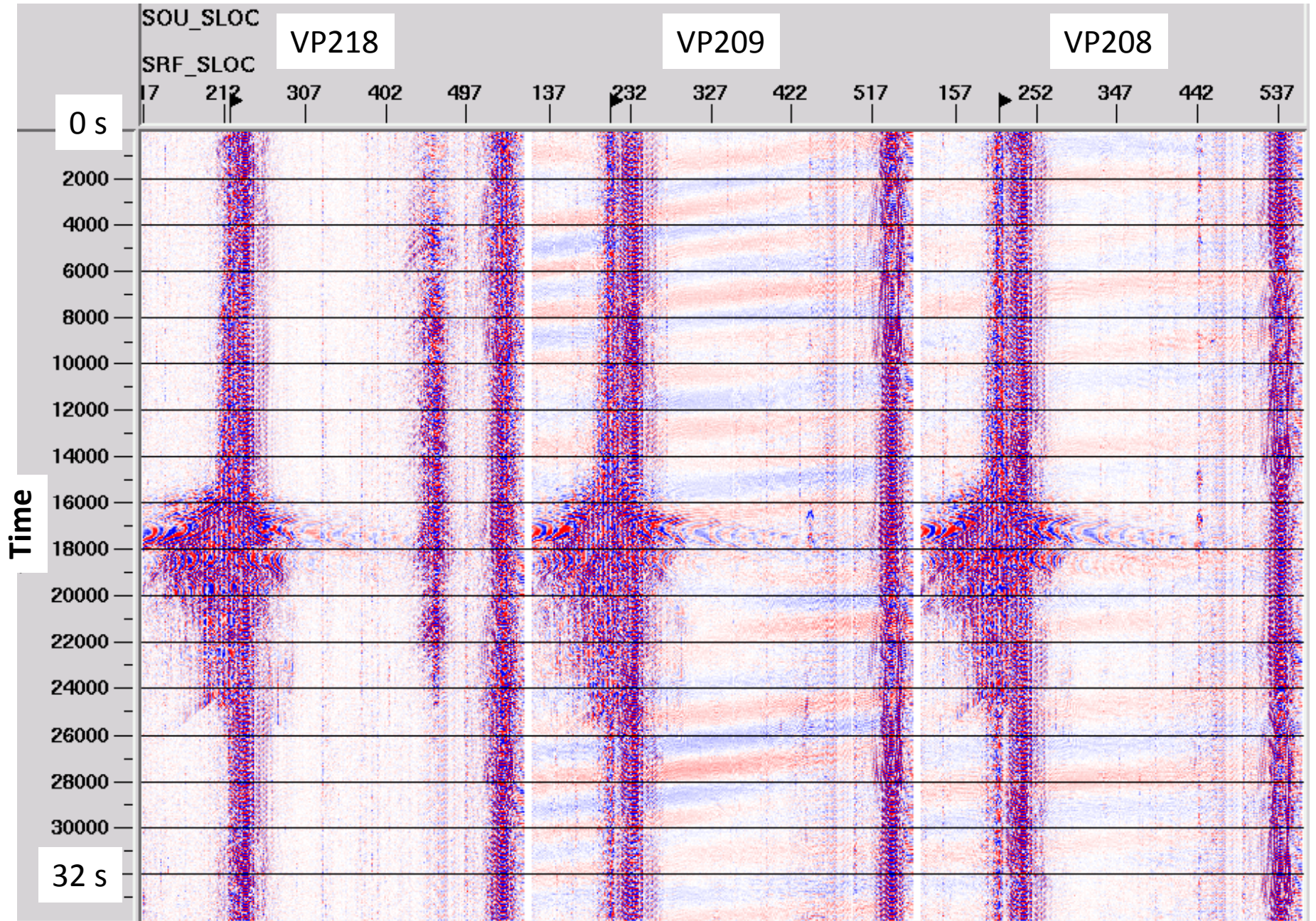
Geophone response
-> correct amplitude/phase

MEMS instrument noise

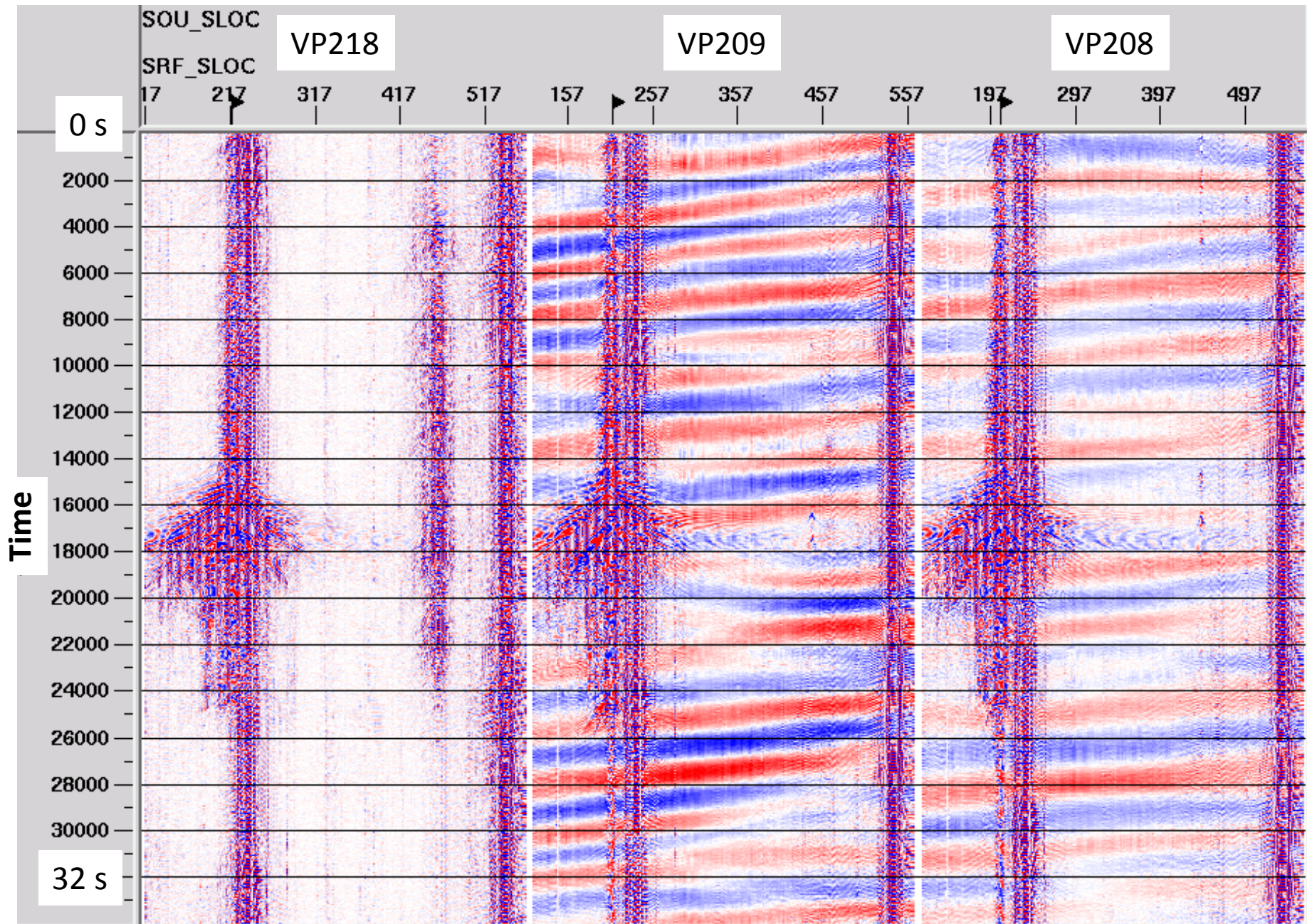
Vibroseis Correlation

1-100 Hz sweep
-> look at uncorrelated data for earthquake at less than 1 Hz

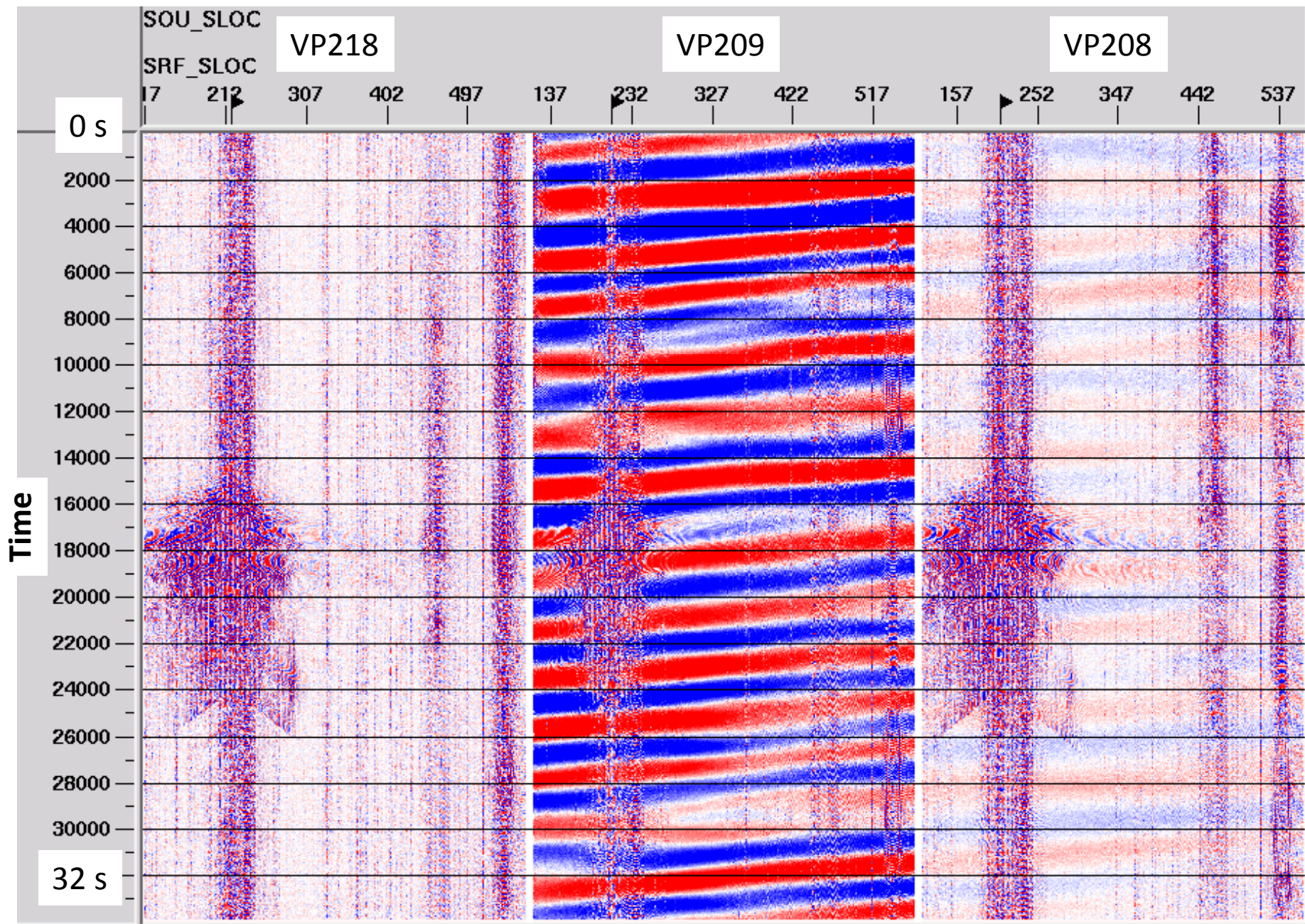
10 Hz 3C geophones, V component. Trace length = 34 seconds



4.5 Hz 1C geophones, V component. Trace length = 34 seconds

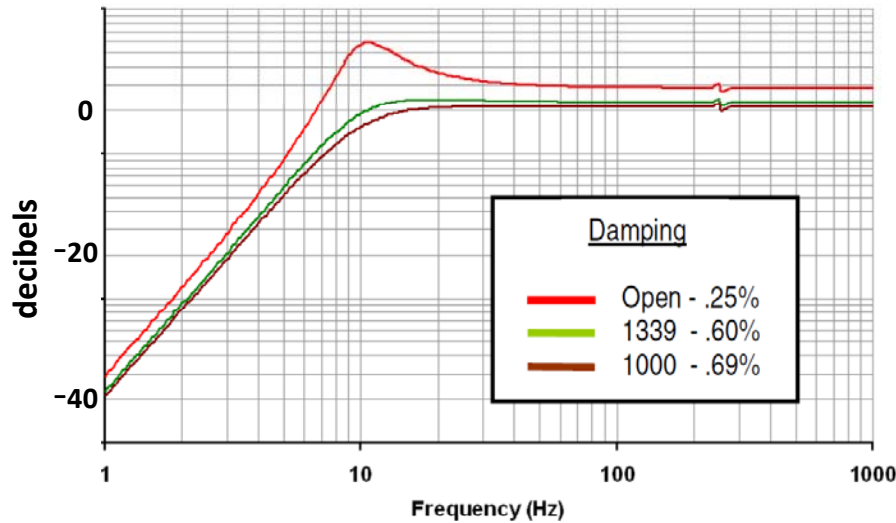


Vectorseis, V component. Trace length = 34 seconds

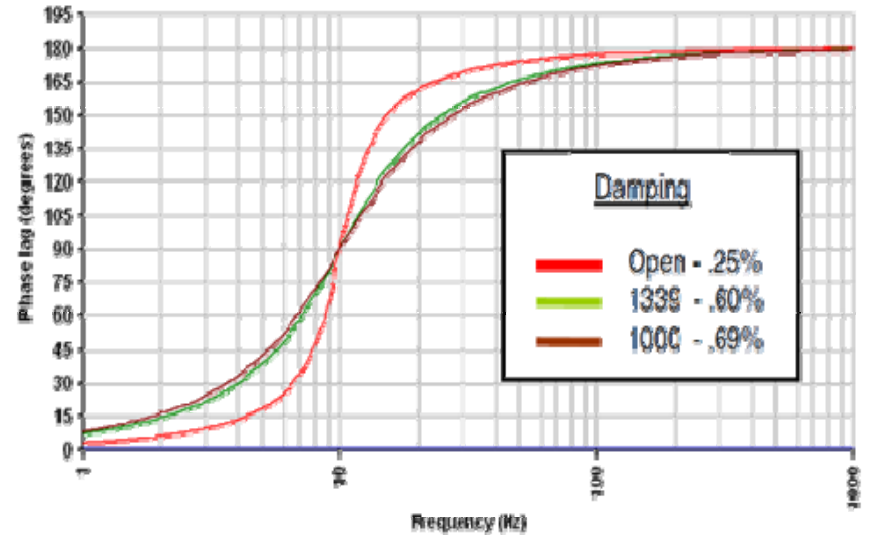


10 Hz Geophone Response correction: Create wavelet, invert, convolve with data

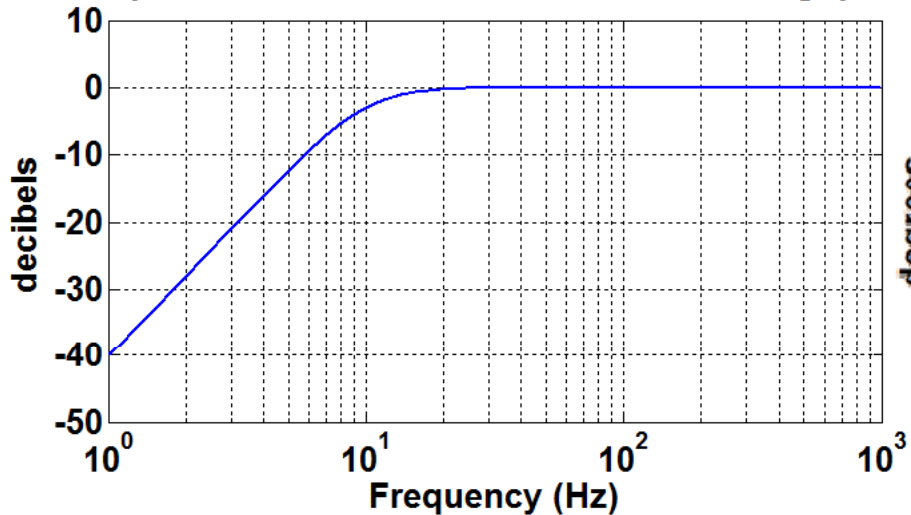
Geophone Response Curve – SM-24 10 Hz



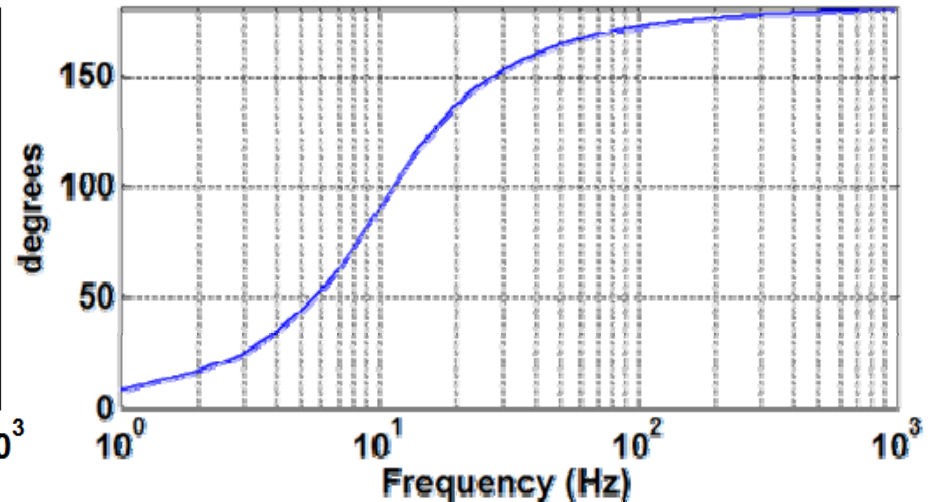
Geophone Phase Lag – SM-24 10 Hz



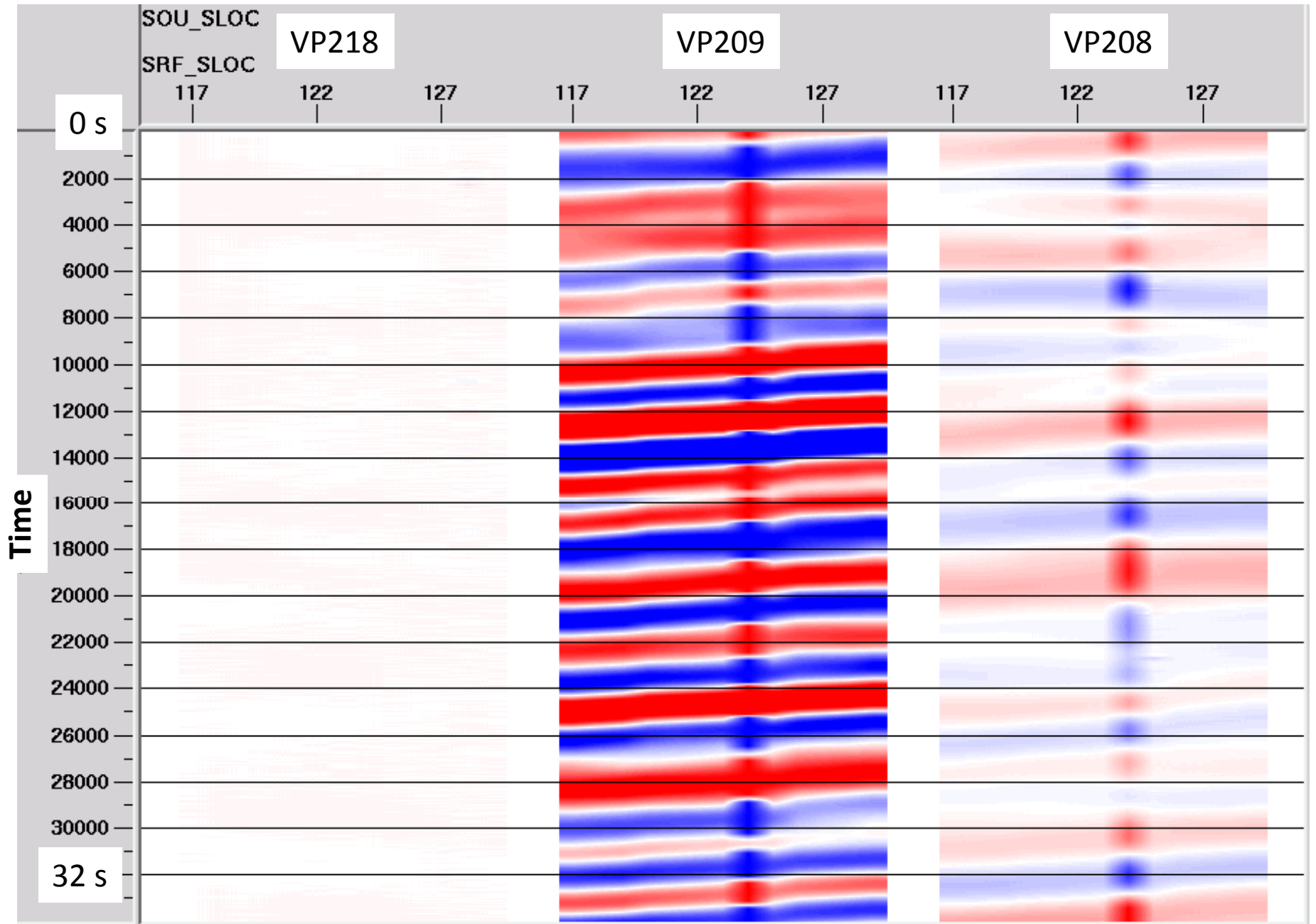
Amplitude of 10Hz 2nd order Butterworth highpass



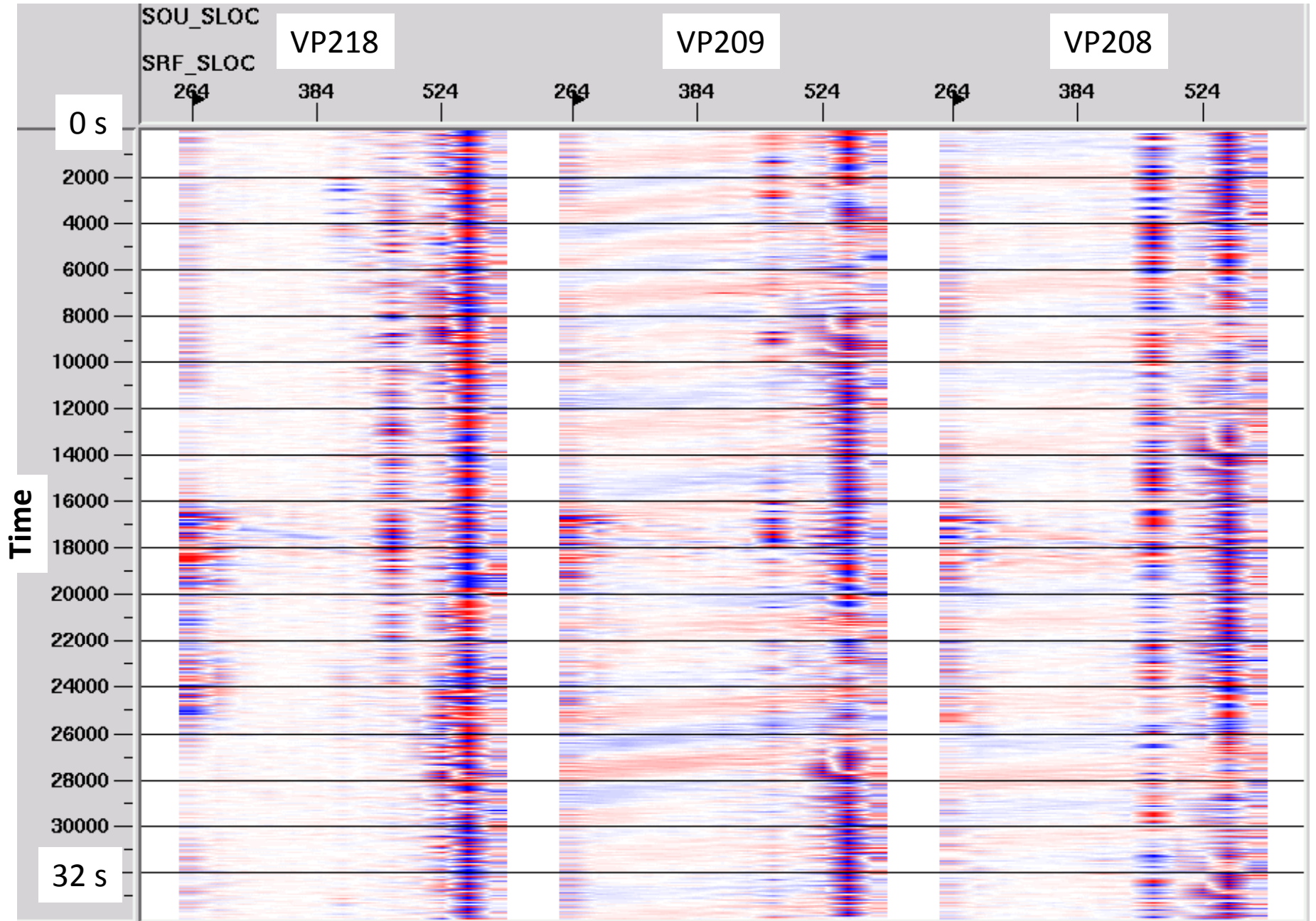
Phase of 10Hz 2nd order Butterworth highpass



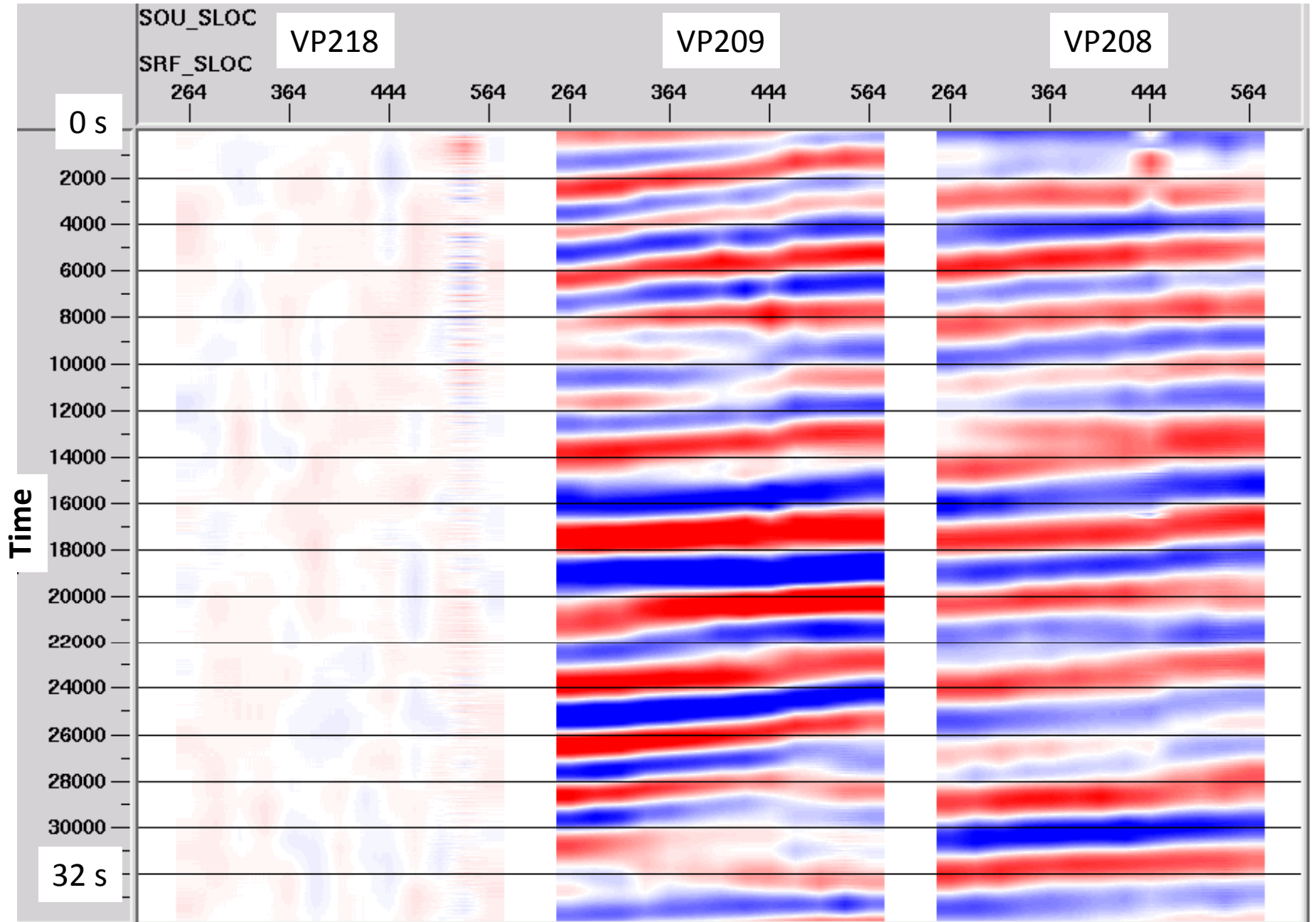
Seismometer, V component. Trace length = 34 s



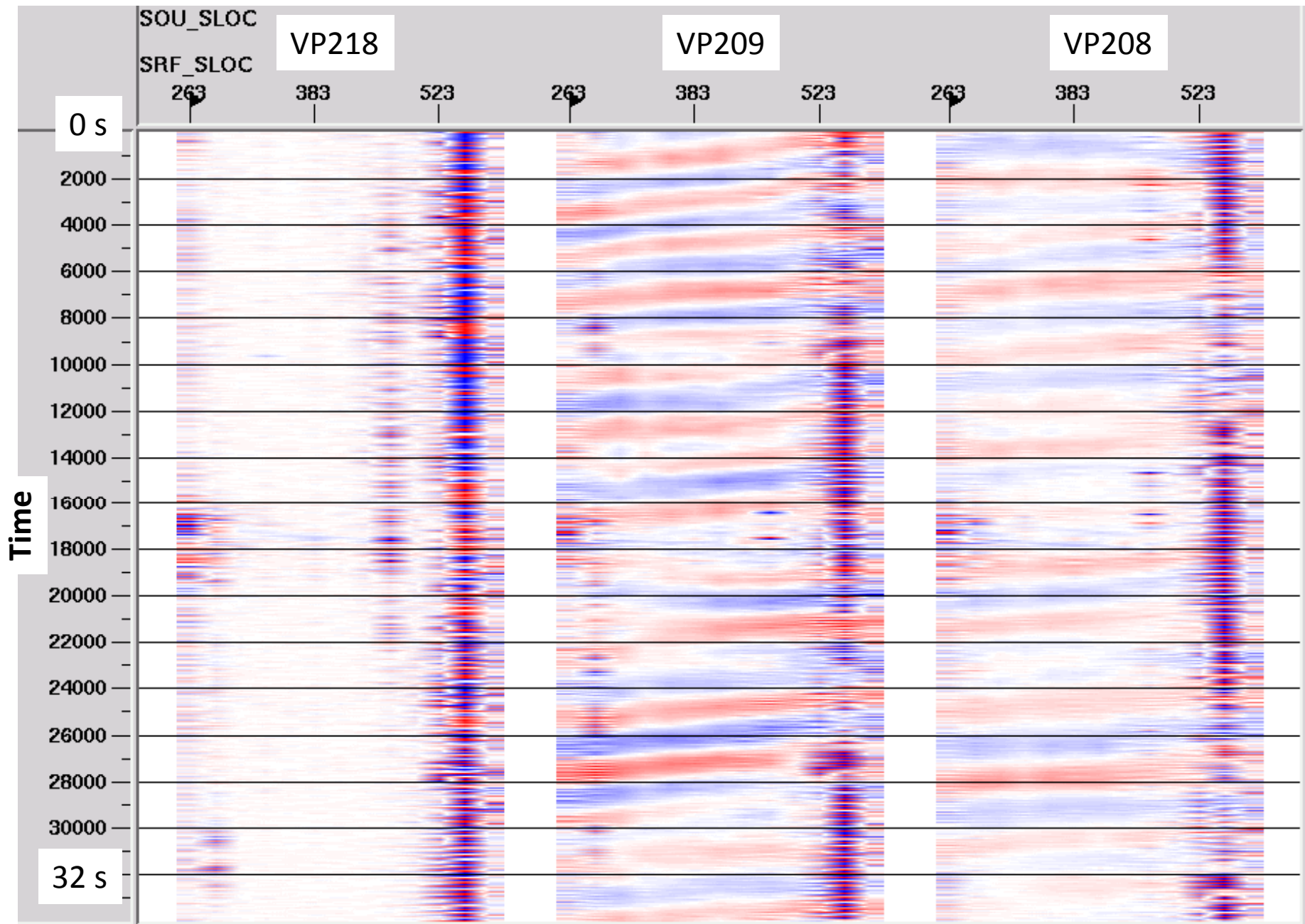
10 Hz 3C geophones, V component. Trace length = 34 s



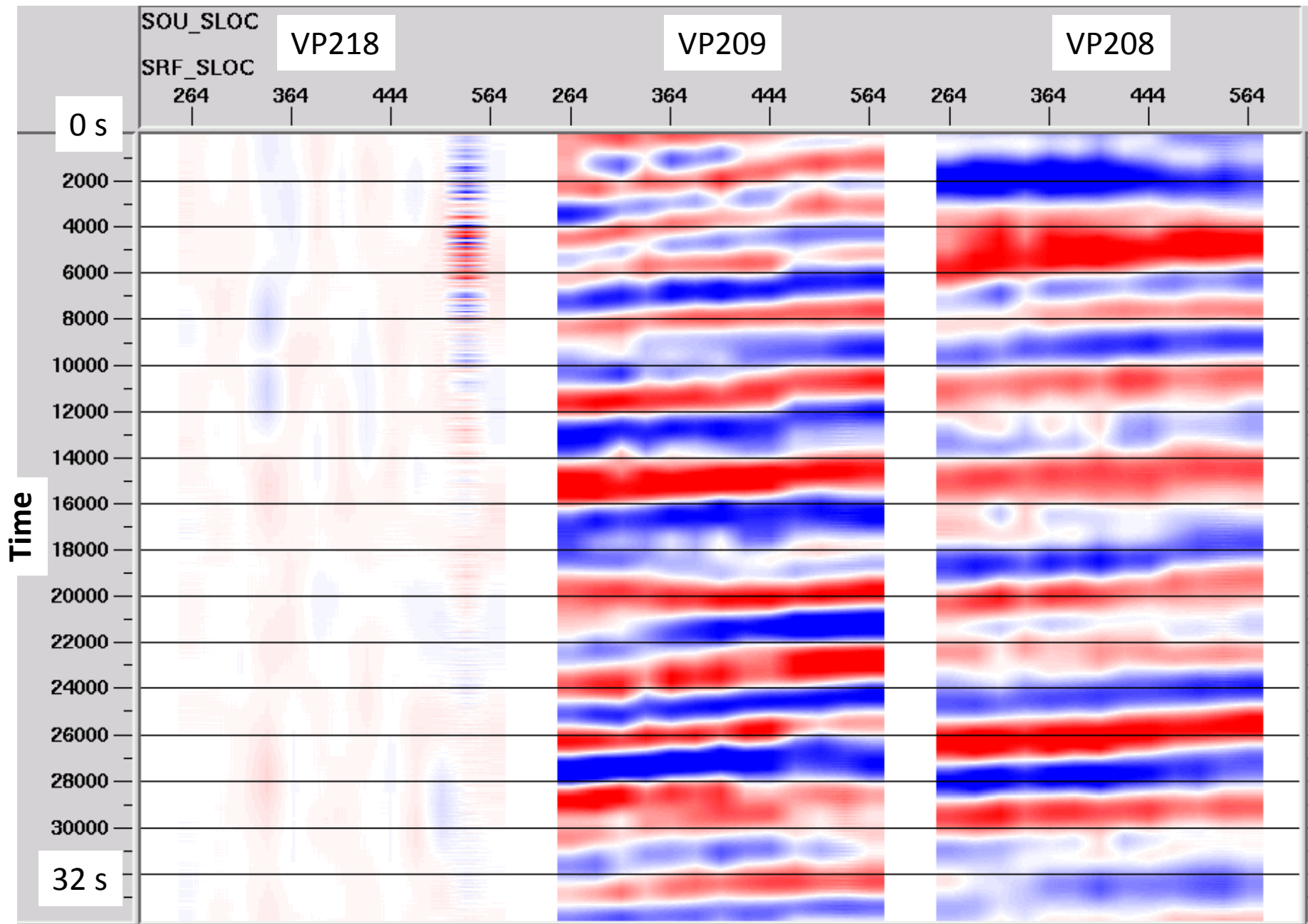
10 Hz 3C geophones, corrected V component. Trace length = 34 s



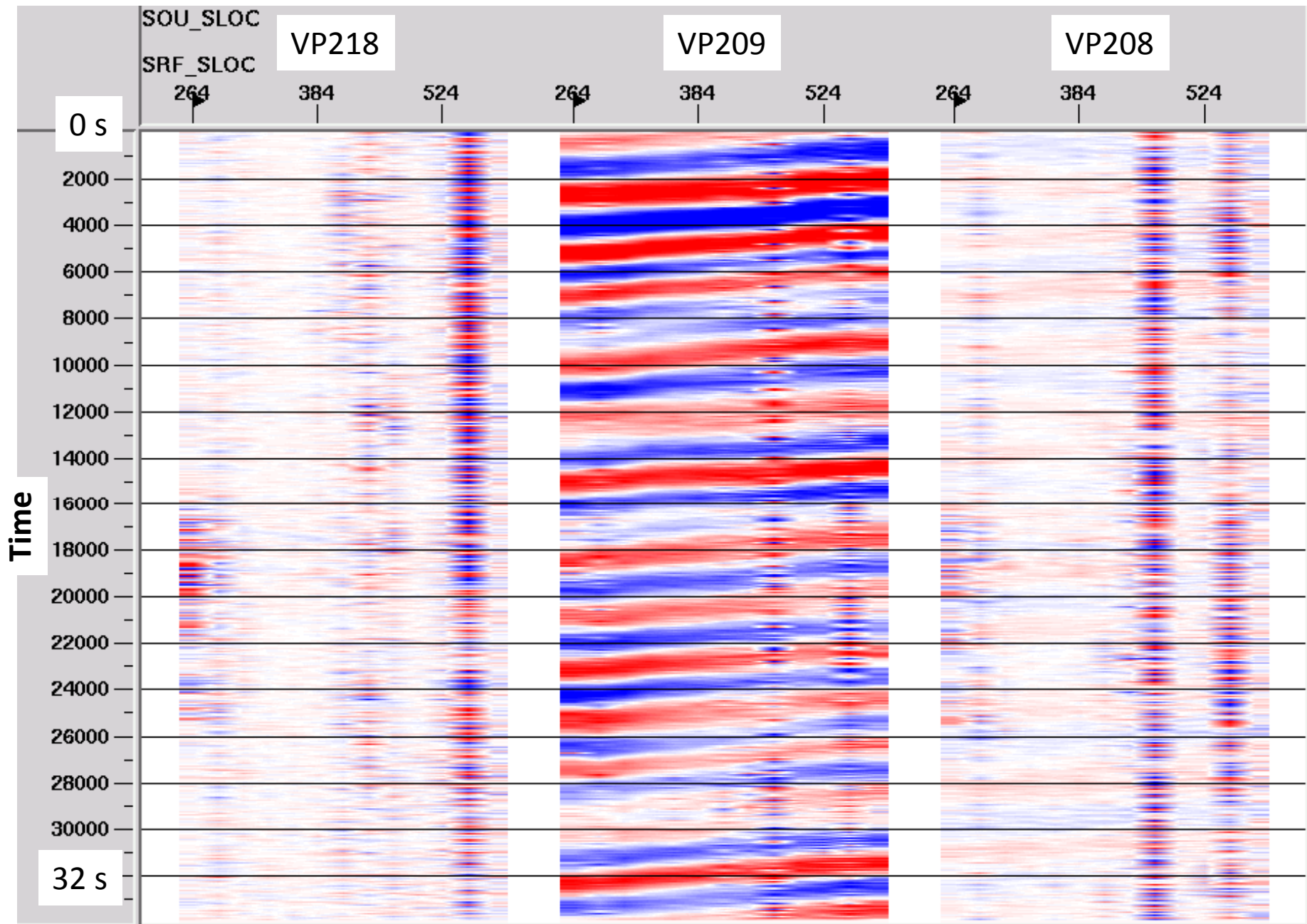
4.5 Hz 1C geophones, V component. Trace length = 34 s



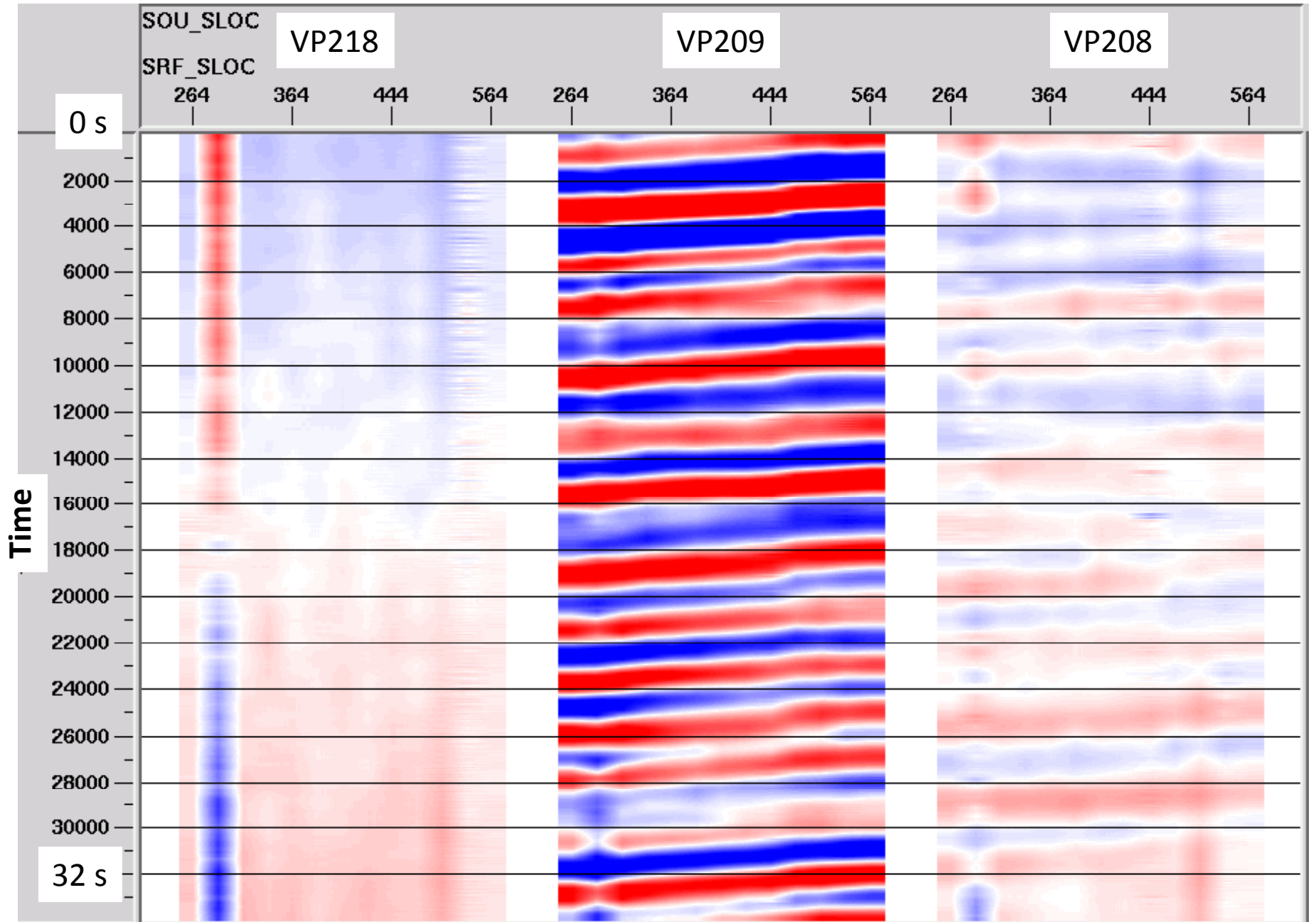
4.5 Hz 1C geophones, corrected V component. Trace length = 34 s



Vectorseis, V component. Trace length = 34 s

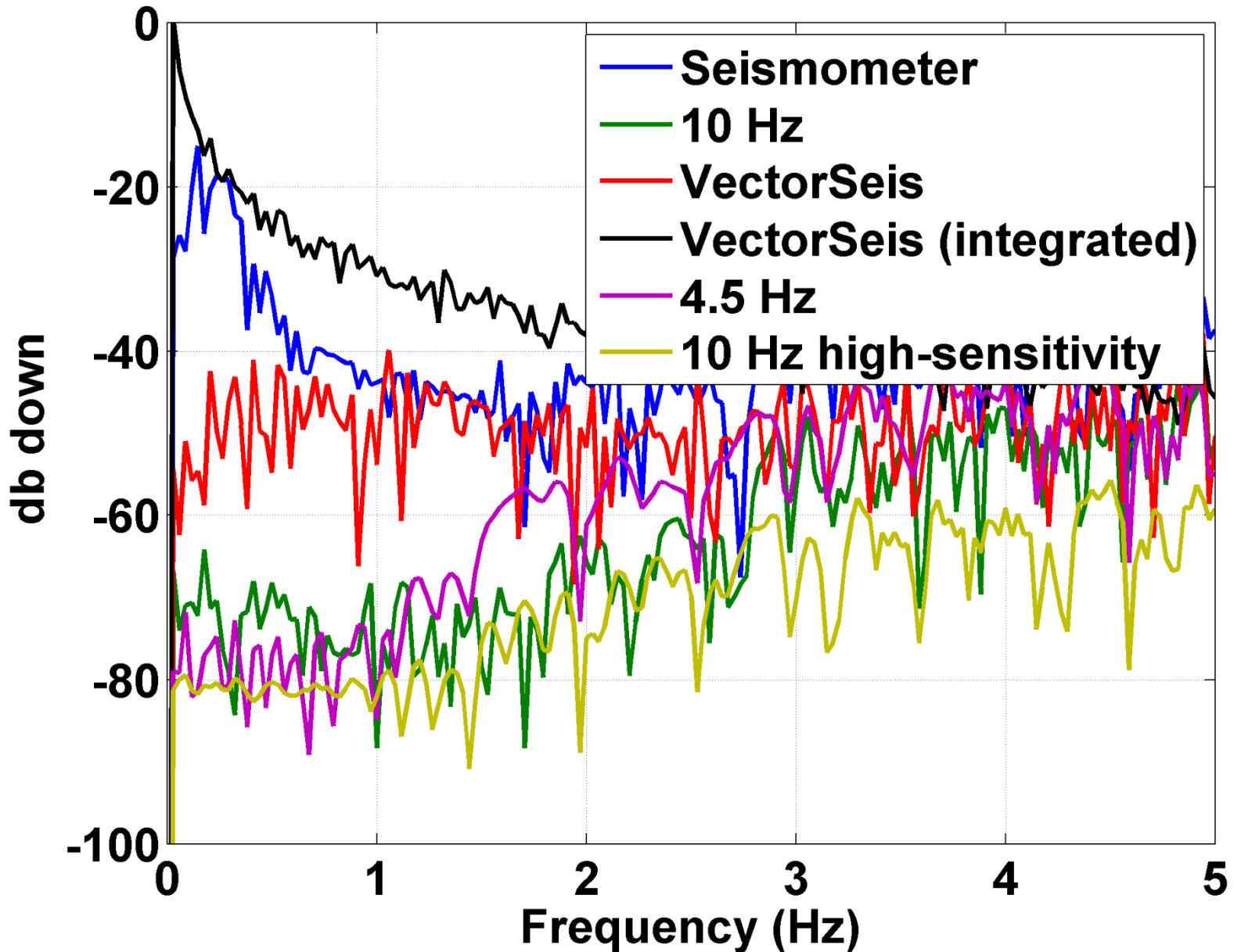


Vectorseis, integrated V component. Trace length = 34 s



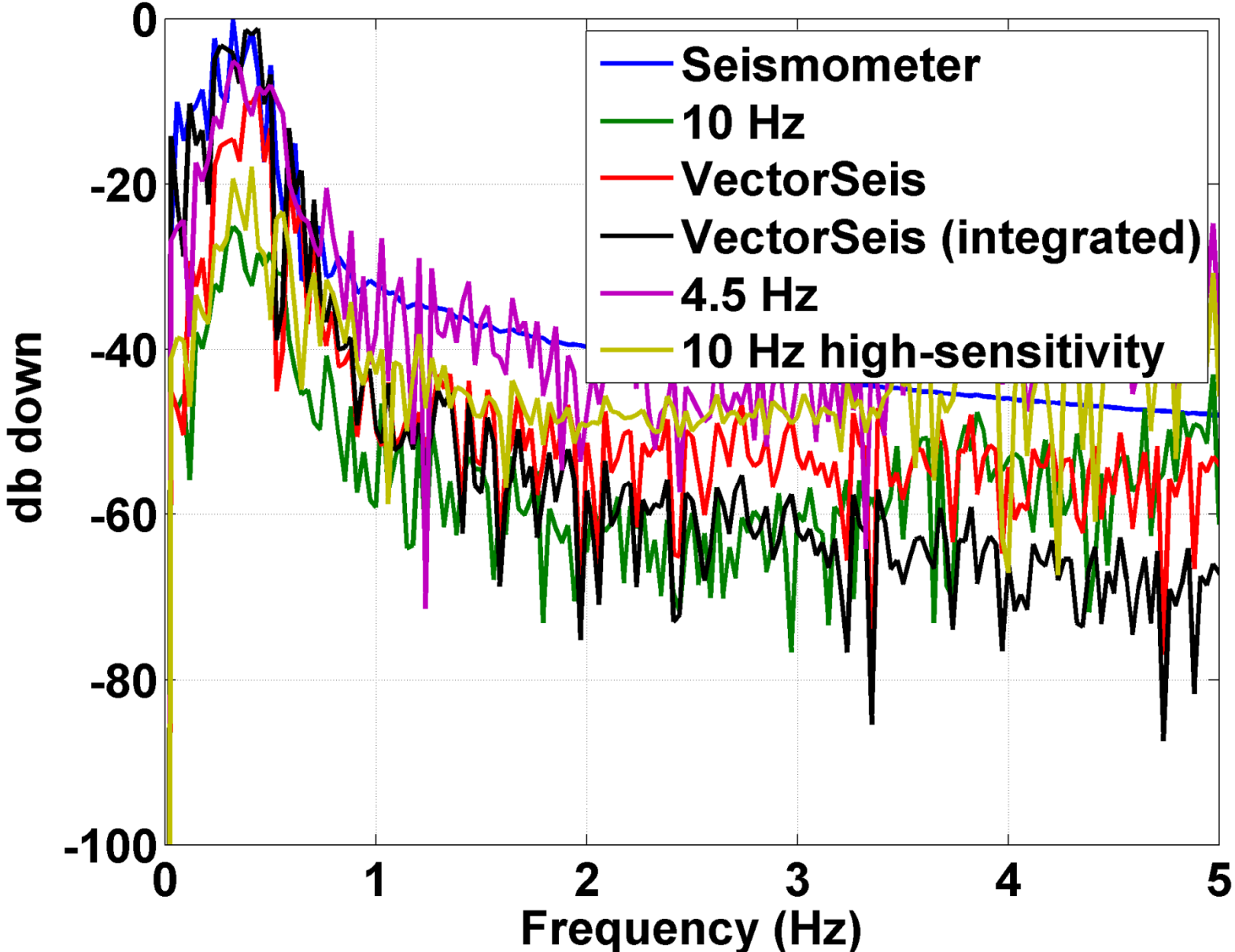
Amplitude spectra, V component, all sensors

Vertical components, VP 218



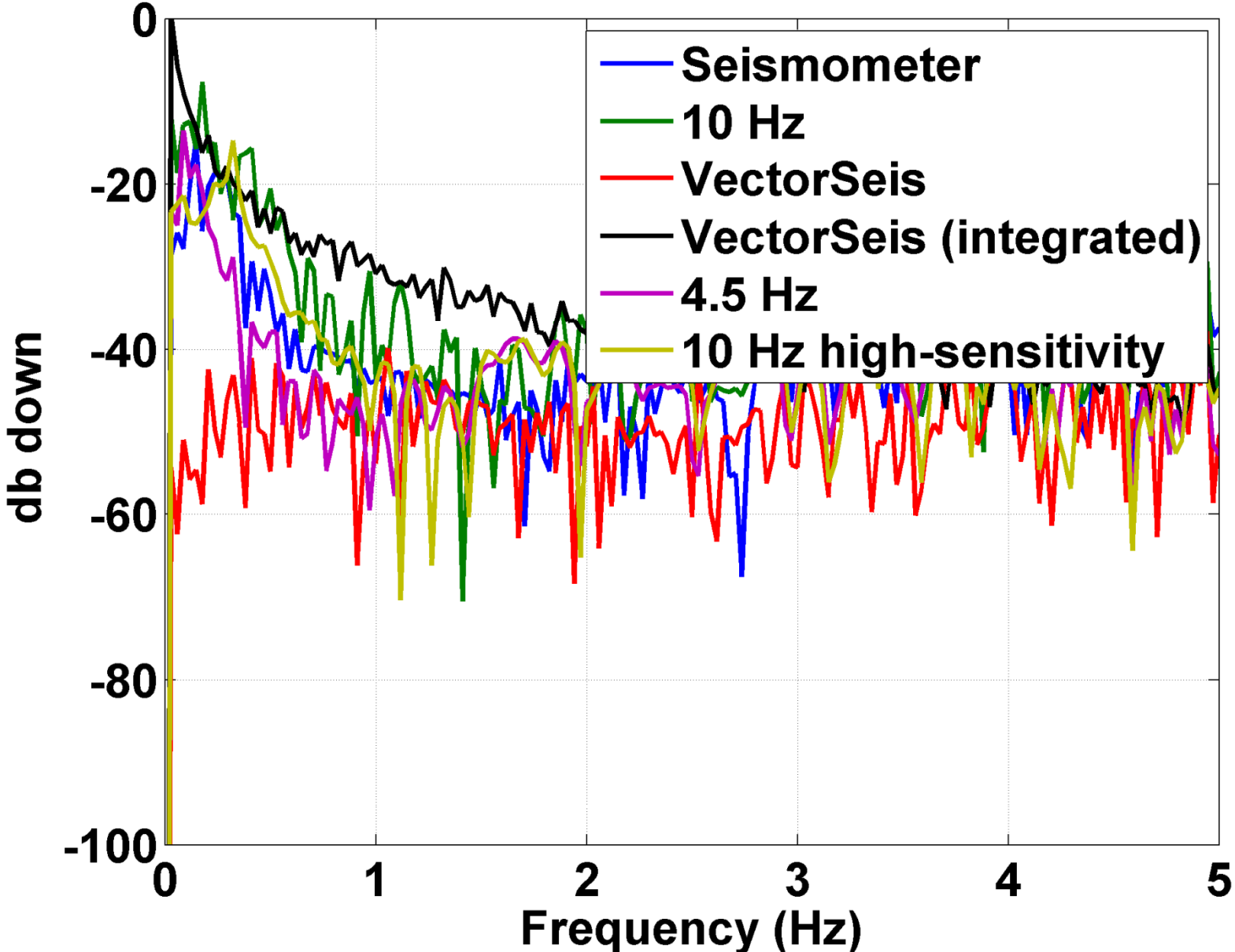
Amplitude spectra, V component, all sensors

Vertical components, VP 209



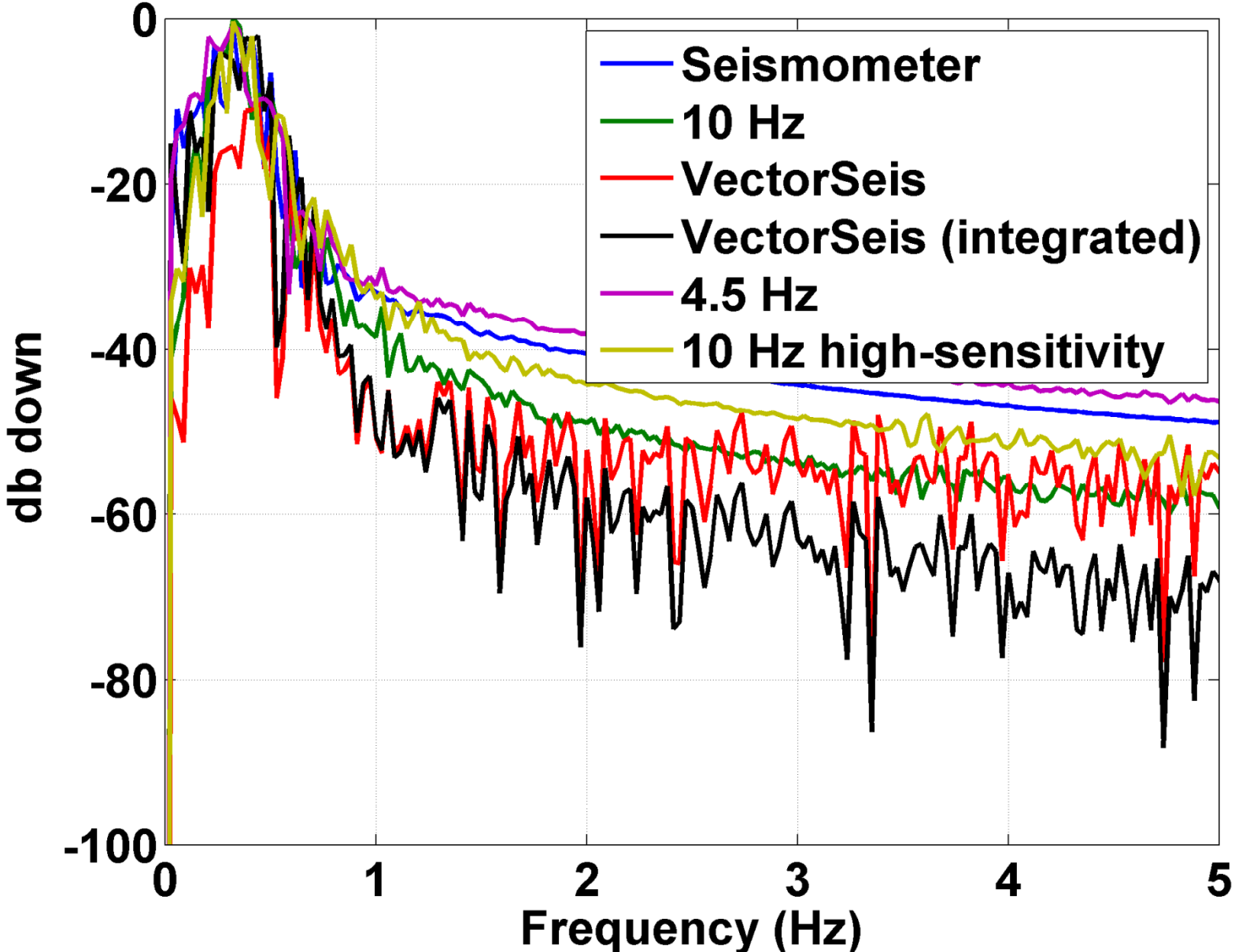
Amplitude spectra, corrected V component, all sensors

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Vertical components, VP 209



Summary

- The Vancouver Island earthquake was a low-frequency source for the Hussar low-frequency experiment.
- Events with frequencies less than 1 Hz were successfully recorded by all sensors and recording systems that were deployed on the line.
- Correcting geophone data amplitude and phase response improved the low-frequency data for all geophone components.

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