Tutorial : improving first break picks for profile SLOPE1

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- 1 Download archive http://rayfract.com/tutorials/SLOPE1_SEIS32.ZIP
- 2 In Windows Explorer create directory C:\RAY32\SLOPE1
- 3 Copy slope1_seis32.zip into C:\ray32\slope1 and unzip
- 4 Startup Rayfract® by double-clicking desktop icon
- 5 Select File/Open Profile... and navigate into C:\RAY32\SLOPE1
- 6 Click SEIS32.DBD and click Open button

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- 1 Select File/Export header data/Export First Breaks...
- 2 Click on yellow *Create New Folder icon* at top-right
- 3 Create EXP335 subdirectory and open with double-click
- 4 Click on Save button to store file BREAKS.LST into directory C:\RAY32\SLOPE1\EXP335
- 5 Select File/Export header data/Export Station Coordinates... and save to C:\RAY32\SLOPE1\EXP335\COORDS.COR
- 6 Select File/Export header data/Export Shot Point Coordinates... and save to C:\RAY32\SLOPE1\EXP335\SHOTPOTS.SHO

Frequency filter traces with single-pole filter



- For online help please select a dialog field with TAB or mouse and press function key F1. Abort dialog with ESC key. Confirm dialog with ENTER key.
- 1 Select *Trace*/*Shot gather* and *Window*/*Tile*. Close *Shot breaks window*
- 2 Browse to shot 310 with F7/F8 . Zoom amplitude with CTRL-F1
- 3 Select *Trace*/Offset gather & Window/Tile. Browse with F8 to common offset 24m
- 4 Zoom time scale with F1 to max. 125ms in both windows
- 5 Use CTRL-F1 to zoom amplitude, CTRL-F3 to toggle trace fill mode
- 6 Click left window title. Press SHIFT+Q. Set Lower corner frequency to 200 Hz
- 7 Check boxes *Filter active* and *Bidirectional filter*. Click button *Filter*.

Identify inconsistent picks in Trace|Offset gather



¹ Click on left window title bar. At left bottom shows CMP (Common MidPoint) Station

- 2 Move trace cursor with arrow-right key to CMP Station 14.00
- 3 Navigate two traces at CMP Station 14.00 with arrow-right & arrow-left keys
- 4 Shot 310 Channel 9 pick is too early compared to Shot 304 Channel 21
- 5 Move trace cursor with arrow-right key to Station 26.00
- 6 Shot 310 Channel 33 pick is too early compared to Shot 316 Channel 21
- 7 Traveltime reciprocity : swapping source & receiver should give same traveltime

Correct trigger delay for shot 310 in Header|Shot



For online help please select a dialog field with TAB or mouse and press function key F1. Abort dialog with ESC key. Confirm dialog with ENTER key.

- 1 Select Header/Shot. Browse to shot 310. Set Trigger delay to 3ms and hit ENTER
- 2 Yellow traces and picks for shot 310 are shifted down 3ms in both windows
- 3 Click on title bar of left window showing common offset of 24m
- 5 Move trace cursor with arrow-right key to Station 14.00
- 6 Shot 310 Channel 9 pick is now at same level as Shot 304 Channel 21
- 7 Move trace cursor with arrow-right key to Station 26.00
- 8 Shot 310 Channel 33 pick is now at same level as Shot 316 Channel 21

Review picks for Shot 315 unfiltered



- 1 Select Trace/Shot gather & Window/Tile
- 2 Click on title bar of left window and browse to Shot 315 with F7/F8 function keys
- 3 Move trace cursor with arrow-right key to Channel 10 at Station 9.00
- 4 Note in right window picks are too early for Stations 9&10 compared to other shots
- 5 Traveltime curves in *Shot breaks window* should be similar for adjacent shots at same stations

Review picks for Shot 315 filtered



- For online help please select a dialog field with TAB or mouse and press function key F1. Abort dialog with ESC key. Confirm dialog with ENTER key.
- 1 Press SHIFT+Q and set *Lower corner frequency* to 200Hz. Check *Filter active box*
- 2 Click *Filter button*
- 3 Now it becomes more evident that channels 10&11 of Shot 315 are picked too early

Move picks down for channels 10&11 of Shot 315



1 Navigate with arrow-left or arrow-right key to Channel 10 of Shot 315

- 2 Use arrow-down key to move down pick cursor (plus symbol) to Time 35.500 ms
- 3 Hit space bar to repick Channel 10 at current pick cursor location
- 4 Navigate to Channel 11 of Shot 315 with arrow-right key
- 5 Move down pick cursor to Time 33.500 ms. Hit space bar to repick Channel 11
- 6 Press ALT+Y to update Shot breaks window on right
- 7 Now picks for Shot 315 at Channels 10&11 are more consistent with adjacent shots

Review filtered traces of Shot 302



- 1 Browse with F7/F8 to Shot 302.
- 2 Note too late picks for Channels 28 to 33 compared to blue crosses (modelled times)
- 3 Also note too late picks in right window at Stations 29 to 34 for Shot 302
- 4 Traveltime curves for adjacent shots should be similar at same stations

Move up picks for Channels 28 to 33 of Shot 302



- 1 Move up pick for Channel 28 of Shot 302 from Time 46.250 to 44.750
- 2 Move up picks for Channels 29 to 33 as shown above
- 3 Press ALT+Y to refresh Shot breaks window on right
- 4 Note how the traveltime curve for Shot 302 is more similar to adjacent shot curves

Review unfiltered picks for Shot 313 Channels 6,7,8



- 1 Browse with F7/F8 to Shot 313 in left window
- 2 Press SHIFT+Q. Uncheck box Filter active and click Filter button
- 3 Navigate pick cursor (plus symbol) to Channel 6 of Shot 313 with arrow-right key
- 4 Picks for Channels 6, 7 and 8 are too early compared to modeled blue picks
- 5 These picks are also too early compared to adjacent shot curves in right window

Delete picks for Channels 6,7,8 of Shot 313



- 1 Navigate with arrow-left or arrow-right key to Channel 6 of Shot 313
- 2 Press ALT+Z keys to delete pick
- 3 Do the same for Channels 7 and 8 of Shot 313
- 4 Press ALT+Y to refresh Shot breaks display in right window
- 5 Note how traveltime curve for Shot 313 is more consistent with adjacent curves

Download and import good picks and trigger delays



- 1 Download archive http://rayfract.com/tutorials/SLOPE1_GOODPICK.ZIP
- 2 Create folder C:\RAY32\SLOPE1\GOODPICK in Windows Explorer
- 3 Copy slope1_goodpick.zip into C:\ray32\slope1\goodpick and unzip
- 4 File/Update header data/Update Shotpoint coordinates with SHOTPTS.SHO
- 5 File/Update header data/Update First Breaks with BREAKS.LST
- 6 Trace/Shot gather & Window/Tile to redisplay Shot gather and Breaks window

Increase cell size in Header|Profile to speedup WET

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- 1 Select Header/Profile. Check box Force grid cell size.
- 2 Set field *Cell size* to 0.2m
- 3 Click button OK and confirm prompts

Smooth inversion of first breaks



- 1 Check DeltatV|DeltatV Settings|Suppress velocity artefacts
- 2 Check DeltatV|DeltatV Settings|Smooth CMP traveltime curves
- 3 Select Smooth invert/WET with 1D gradient initial model
- 4 Once the 1D gradient model is shown in Surfer[™] click Rayfract prompt and *Yes button* to continue with 2D WET inversion

Force Surfer plot limits with our Grid|Surfer plot Limits

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Max offset	65.000	[m]	Reset				
Min. elevation	2.000	[m]	Reset to grid				
Max. elevation	23.000	[m]					
Min. velocity	300	[m/sec.]					
Max. velocity	2500	[m/sec.]					
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Y Scale length	4.000 [inch]						
- Color Scale							
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Scale height	4.000	[inch]					
Velocity interval	500	[m/sec.]					
Coverage interval	5	[paths/pixel]					

- 1 Select Grid|Surfer plot Limits
- 2 Click *Reset to grid* and select ...\GRADTOMO\VELOIT20.GRD
- 3 Set Min. offset to -2.0m, Max. offset to 65.0m
- 4 Set Min. elevation to 2.0m, Max. elevation to 23.0m
- 5 Set Min. velocity to 300 m/s, Max. velocity to 2500 m/s.
- 6 Check box Plot limits active and click OK button

Redisplay tomogram with updated plot limits

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- 1 Select Grid|Image and contour velocity and coverage grids
- 2 Select ...\GRADTOMO\VELOIT20.GRD.

Map traces to refractors in RefractorlMidpoint breaks



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- 1 Select Refractor/Midpoint breaks
- 2 Set Weathering limit to 500 m/s. Set Refractor 1 limit to 1100 m/s.
- 3 Click *button Map traces* and confirm prompt
- 4 Press ALT+G to show Crossover distance smoothing dialog
- 5 Leave Overburden filter at 5 and Basement filter at 10 stations
- 6 Click Accept button to smooth crossover distances along profile

Run WET with layered Plus-Minus starting model



- 1 Select *Depth*/*Plus-Minus* and confirm prompts
- 2 When Plus-Minus starting model is shown in Surfer confirm our prompt to continue with 2D WET inversion

Compare tomograms obtained with different starting models



- 1 Compare above tomogram with PLUSMODL.GRD starting model to
- 2 Previous tomogram with GRADIENT.GRD starting model
- 3 The WET inversion output is almost independent of starting model
- 4 This should reinforce trust in reliability of WET output

Display modeled picks and traveltime curves



- 1 Select Trace/Shot gather to view picked red and modeled (blue) times
- 2 Click on right window Shot breaks
- 3 Uncheck Mapping/Display raytraced traveltimes
- 4 Check Mapping|Display synthesized traveltime curves
- 5 Check Mapping/Color picked traveltime curves

Display WET wavepath coverage

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- 1 Click on Surfer icon at bottom of screen
- 2 Click tab COVERG20.SRF to show wavepath coverage plot
- 3 Click tab VELOIT20.SRF to show WET tomogram
- 4 Click tab PLUSMODL.SRF to show Plus-Minus layered starting model
- 5 Click tab GRADIENT.SRF to show 1D-gradient smooth starting model

Multiscale tomography with 1D-gradient starting model

