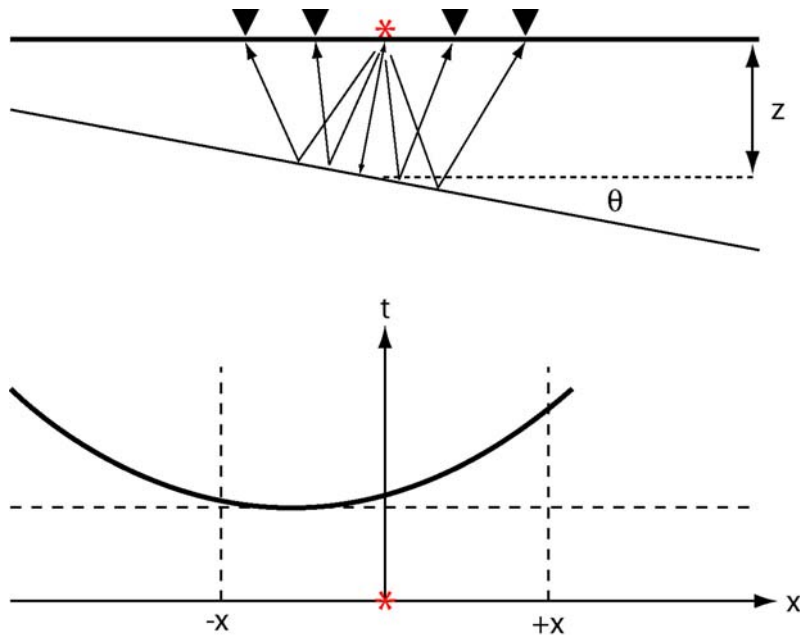


## C2.4 Travel time curve for a dipping reflector



$$t = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 4z^2 + 4xz \sin \theta}}{v_1}$$

- $t(x)$  is greater than  $t(-x)$  and the travel time curve is asymmetric about  $x = 0$
- the minimum travel time does not occur at  $x = 0$  m (why?)
- also note that the reflection received at  $x = 0$  m did not originate beneath  $x = 0$ .
- To account for this effect a technique called **migration** is used. More on this later!  
Using the same approach as in C2.1, we can show that

$$t \approx t_0 + \frac{(x^2 + 4xz \sin \theta)}{2v_1^2 t_0}$$

The **dip moveout** is defined as  $\Delta T_d = t_x - t_{-x} = \frac{2x \sin \theta}{v_1}$