

# **Bridging the chasm between geophysics and reservoir engineering**

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# Outline

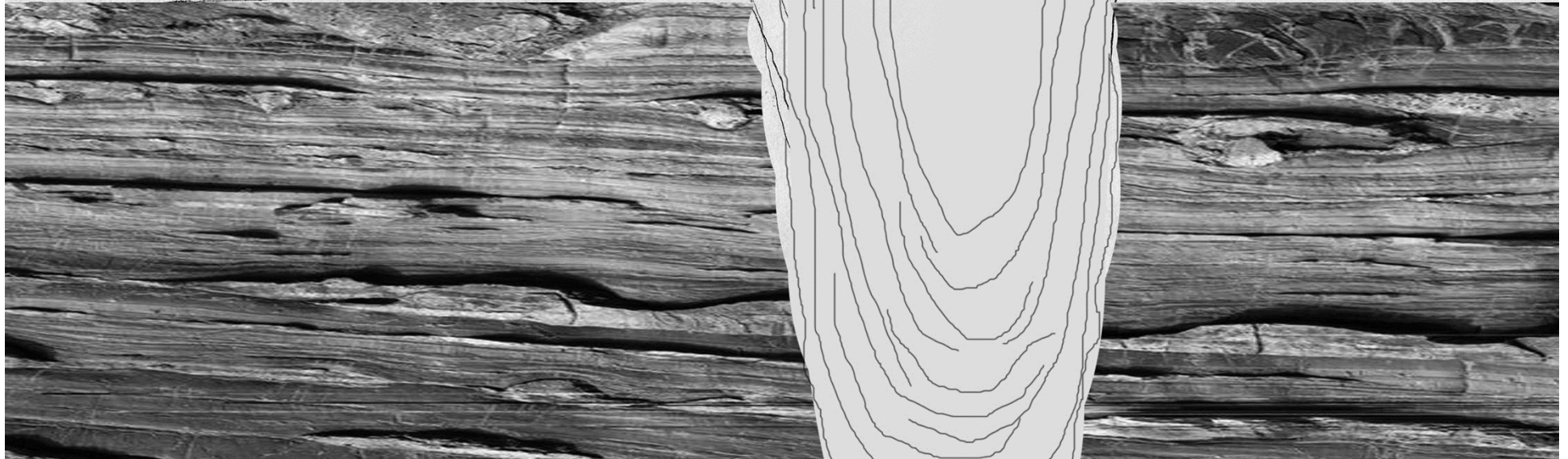
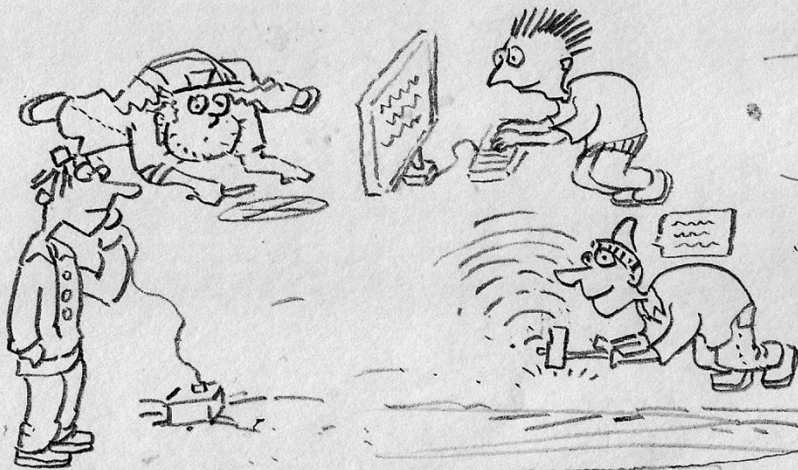
- Overview
- Bridging in Data Domain
- Bridging in Model Domain
- Optimization
- Summary





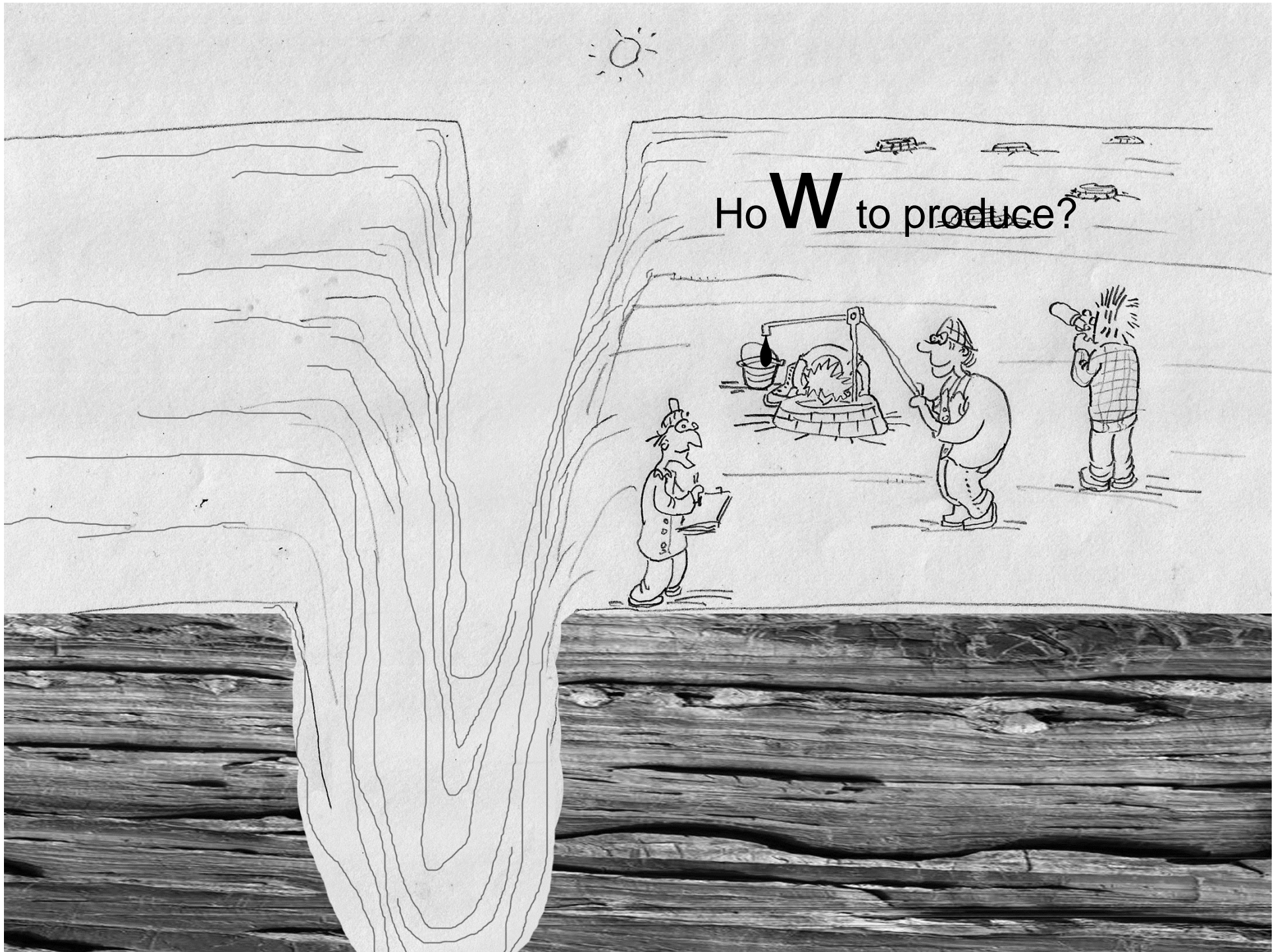


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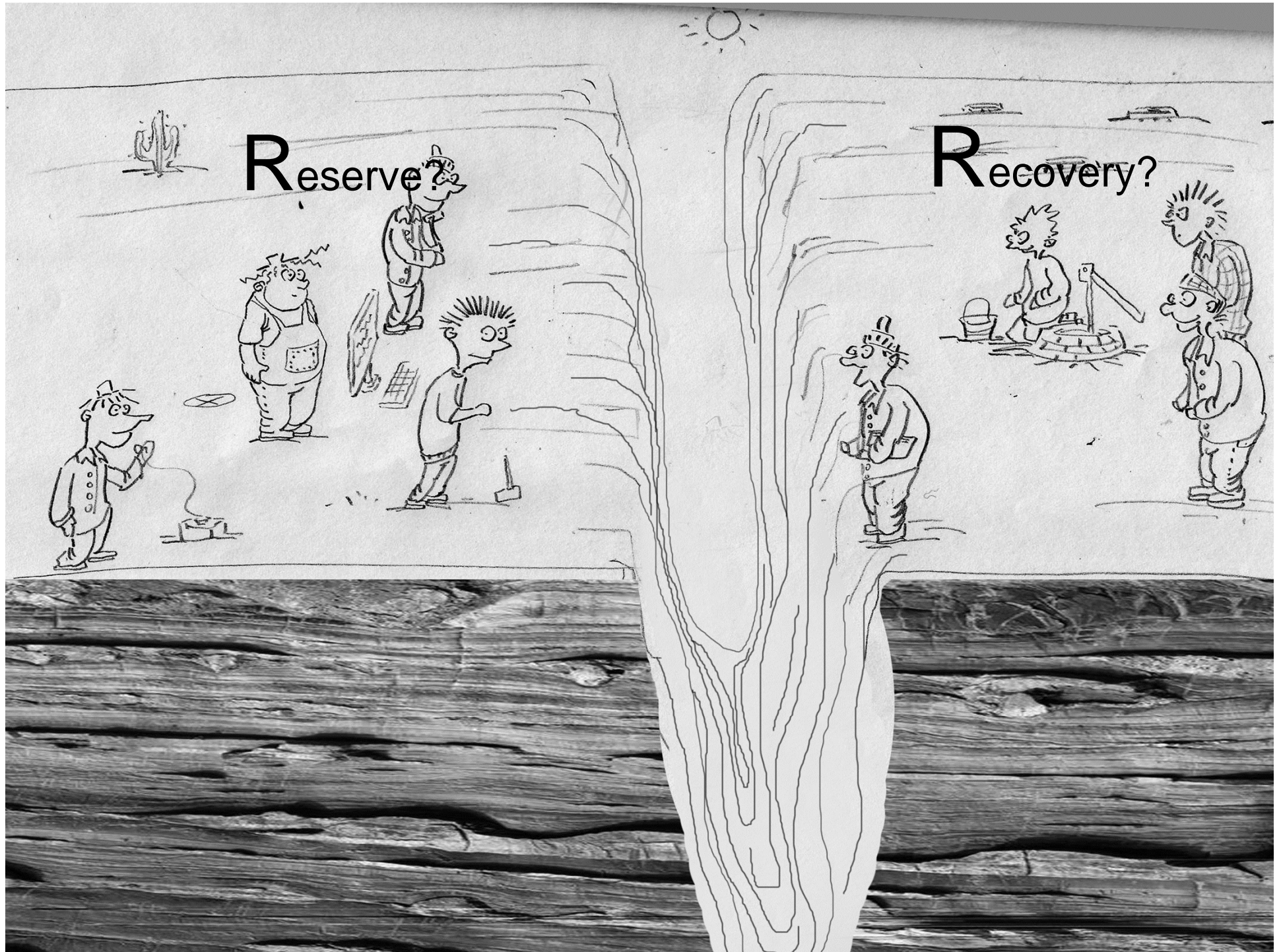
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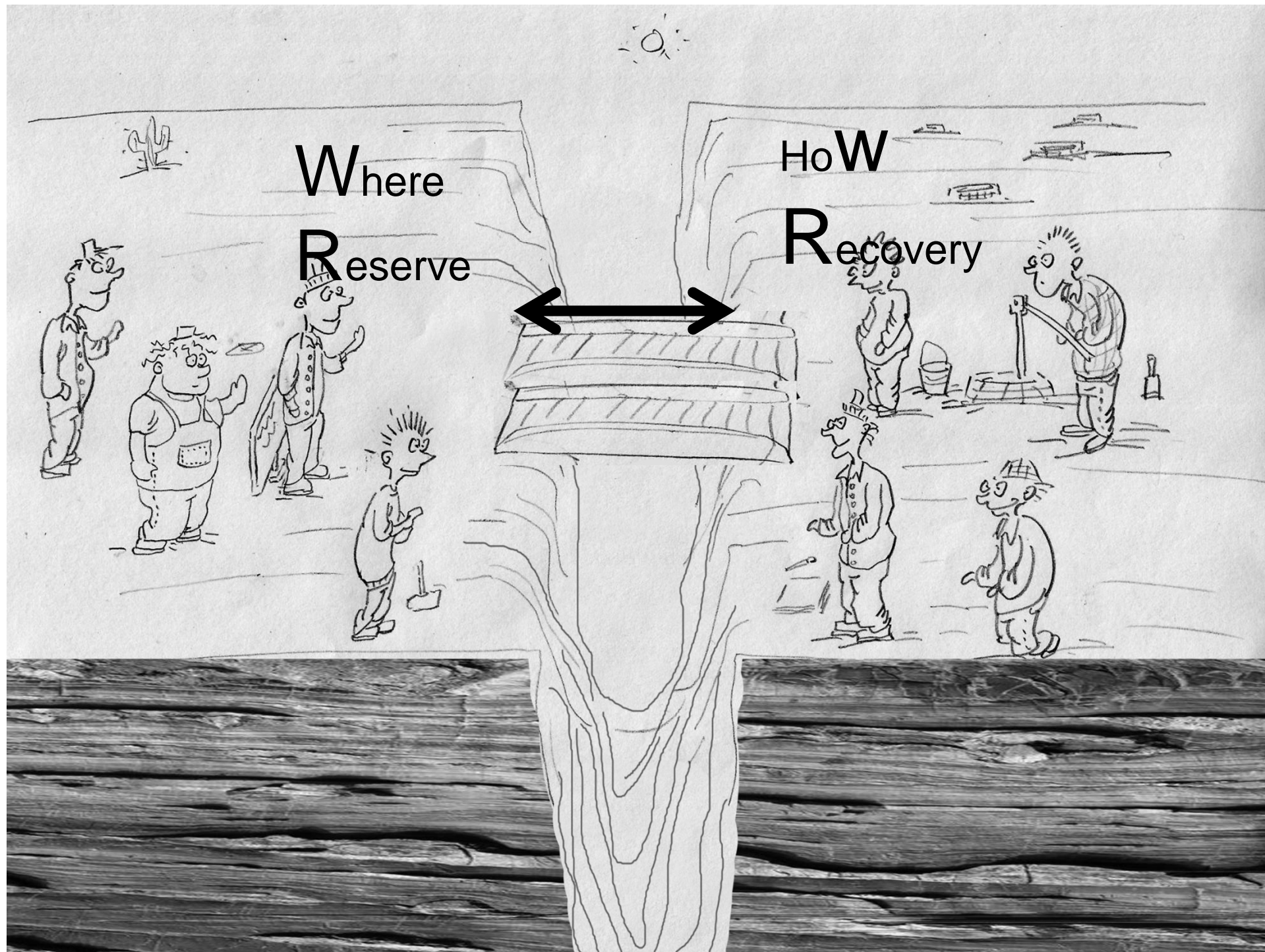




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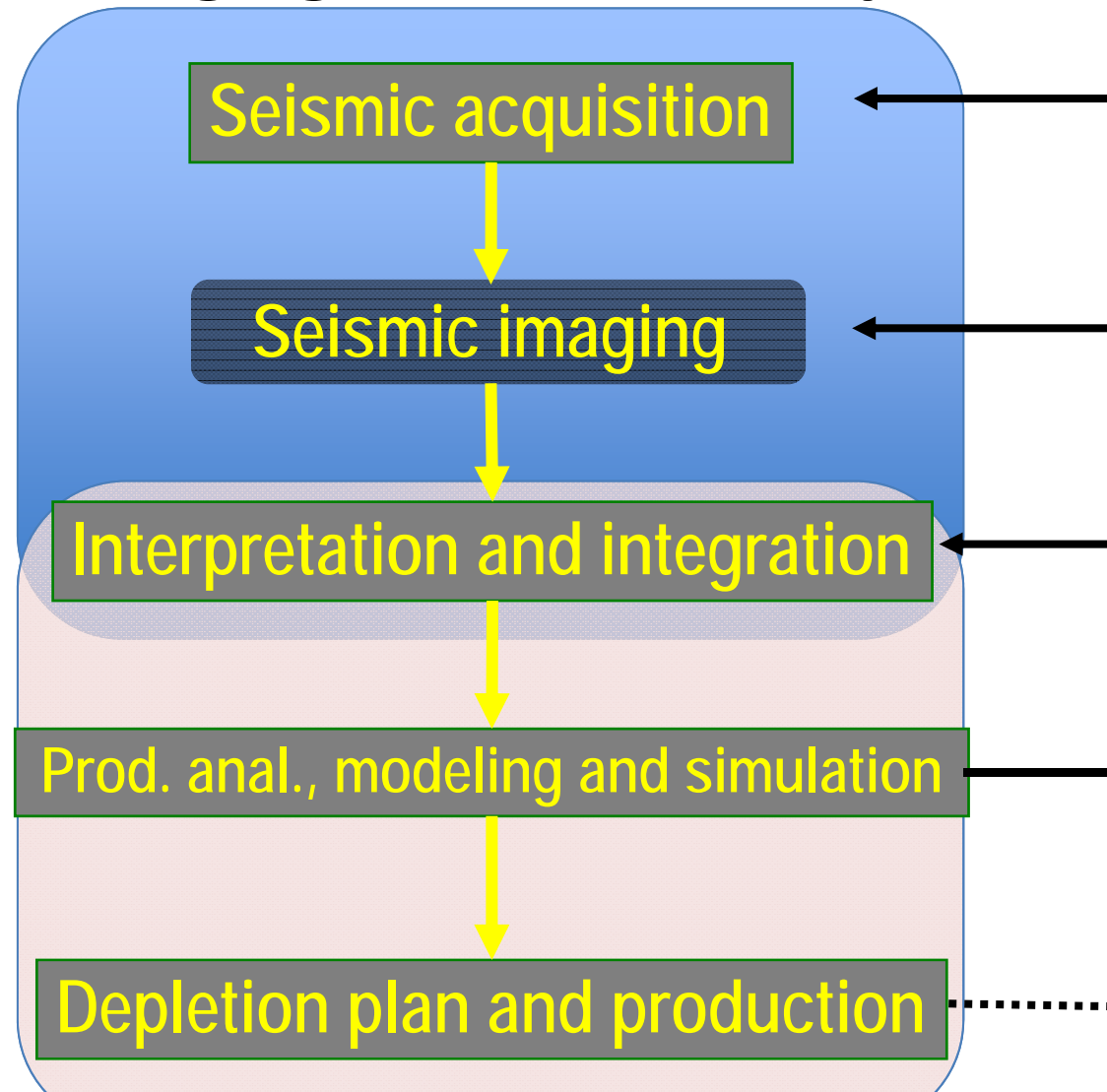
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## Bridging: Close-the-Loop

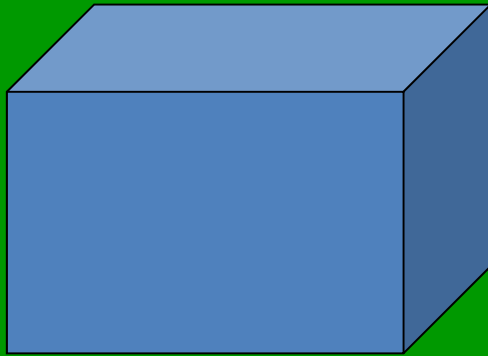


Use reservoir and production data to further update seismic interpretation and vice versa

# "Bridging" Methodologies

## Data-based

### Material balance



Solve for  
*Hydrocarbon in Place*  
*Drive Mechanism*  
*Connectivity*

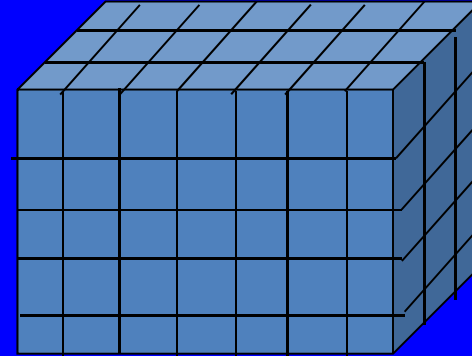


*Reconcile seismic with  
spatial information*

Data-Based Close-the-Loop

## Model-based

### Reservoir Simulation



Solve for  
*Pressure*  
*Saturation*



*Constrain model to  
seismic and  
production history*

Model-Based Close-the-Loop 2



## Data-based “Close-the-Loop”

- Data consistency analysis
- Interpretation of spatial characteristics using the time-dependent production data

## Model-based “Close-the-Loop”

- Common reservoir model
- Comparison of synthetic seismic (4D, prestack, 3D,..., etc.) with observed
- Update model according to seismic and production mismatches
- Reservoir property inversion

# Optimization

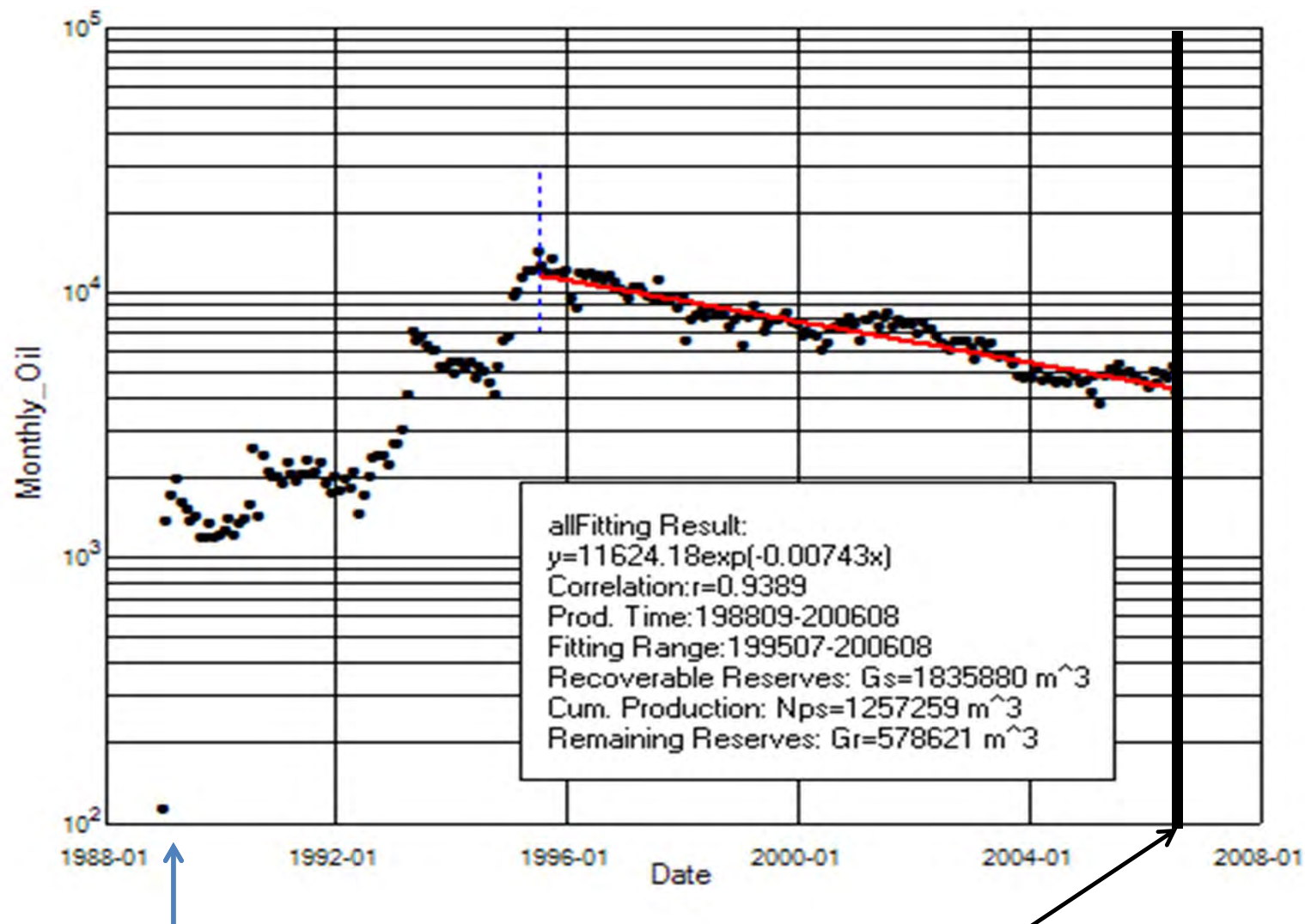
- Use of historical production data
- Use of seismic data
- Use simplified model constrained by seismic for history matching
- Optimize production system to arrest decline



## Data-based “Close-the-Loop” example: A field study

- Field starts to produce in 1989
- A new 3D seismic acquired in 2006, and reprocessed
- Goal: to explore the potential in the field using the new seismic survey

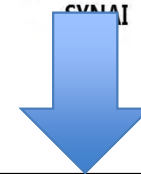
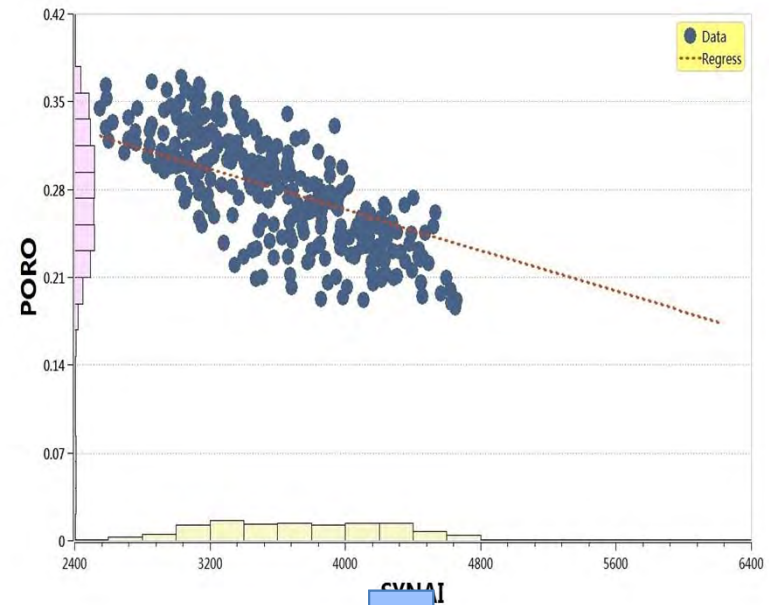
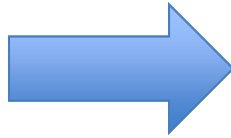
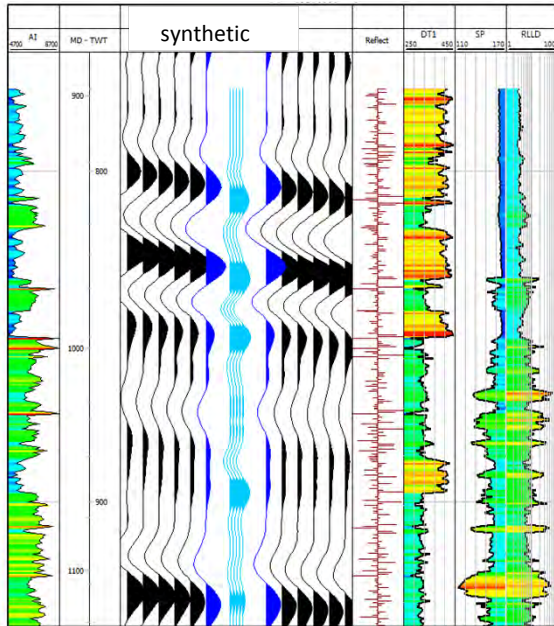
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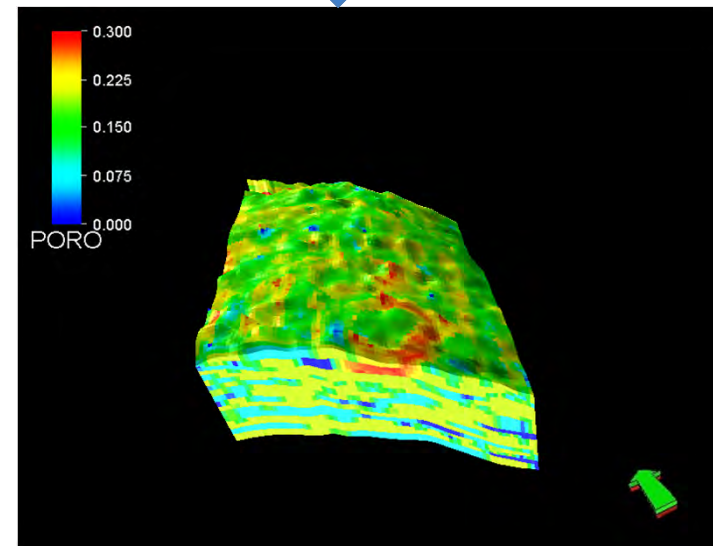
Well drilling

Survey

# Typical seismic to reservoir

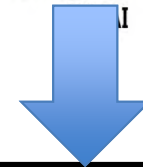
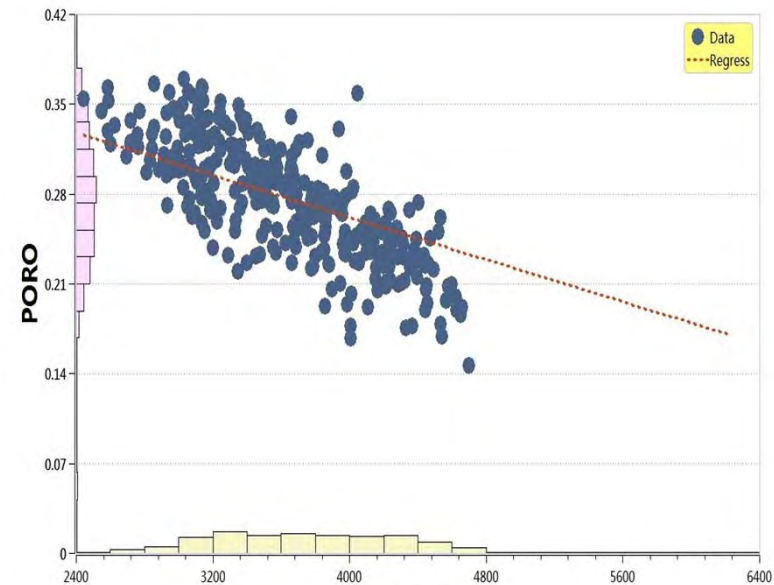
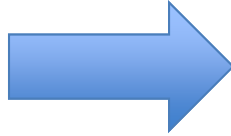
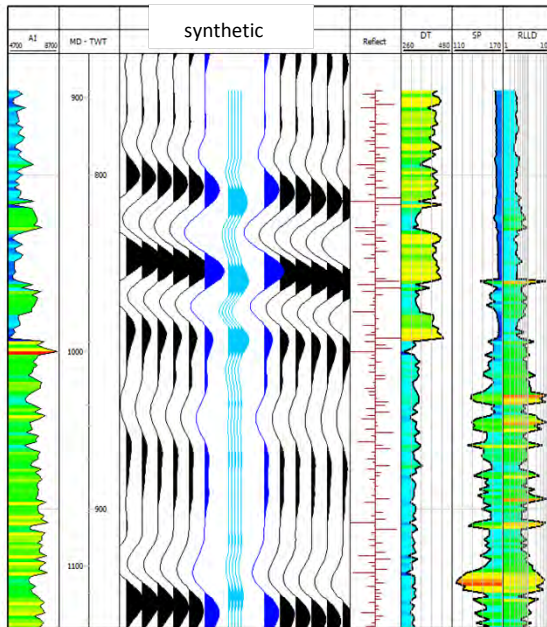


- Treat seismic as static
- Correlation with wells
- Co-modeling

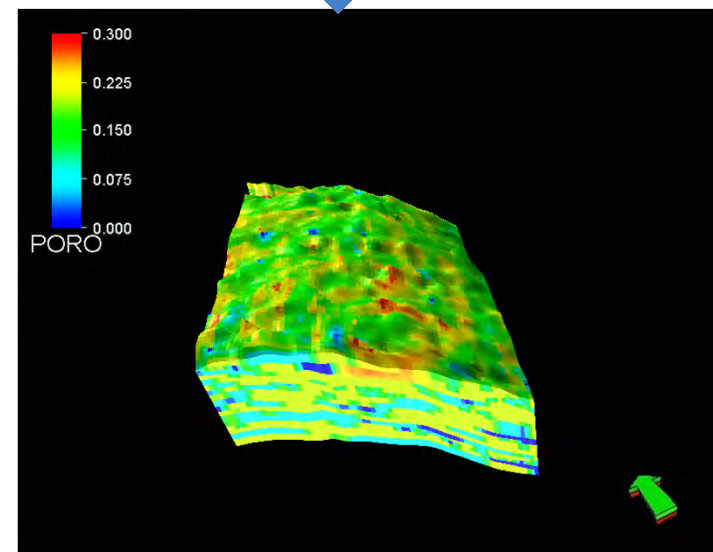




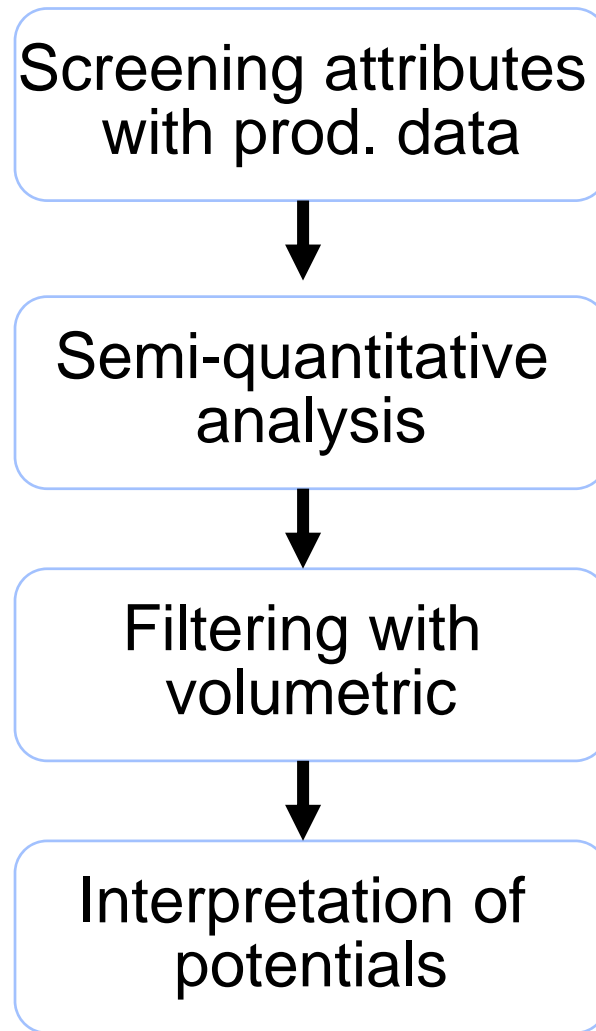
# Typical seismic to reservoir



- Time-depend.?
- Use of seismic for dynamic behavior?
- Co-engineering?

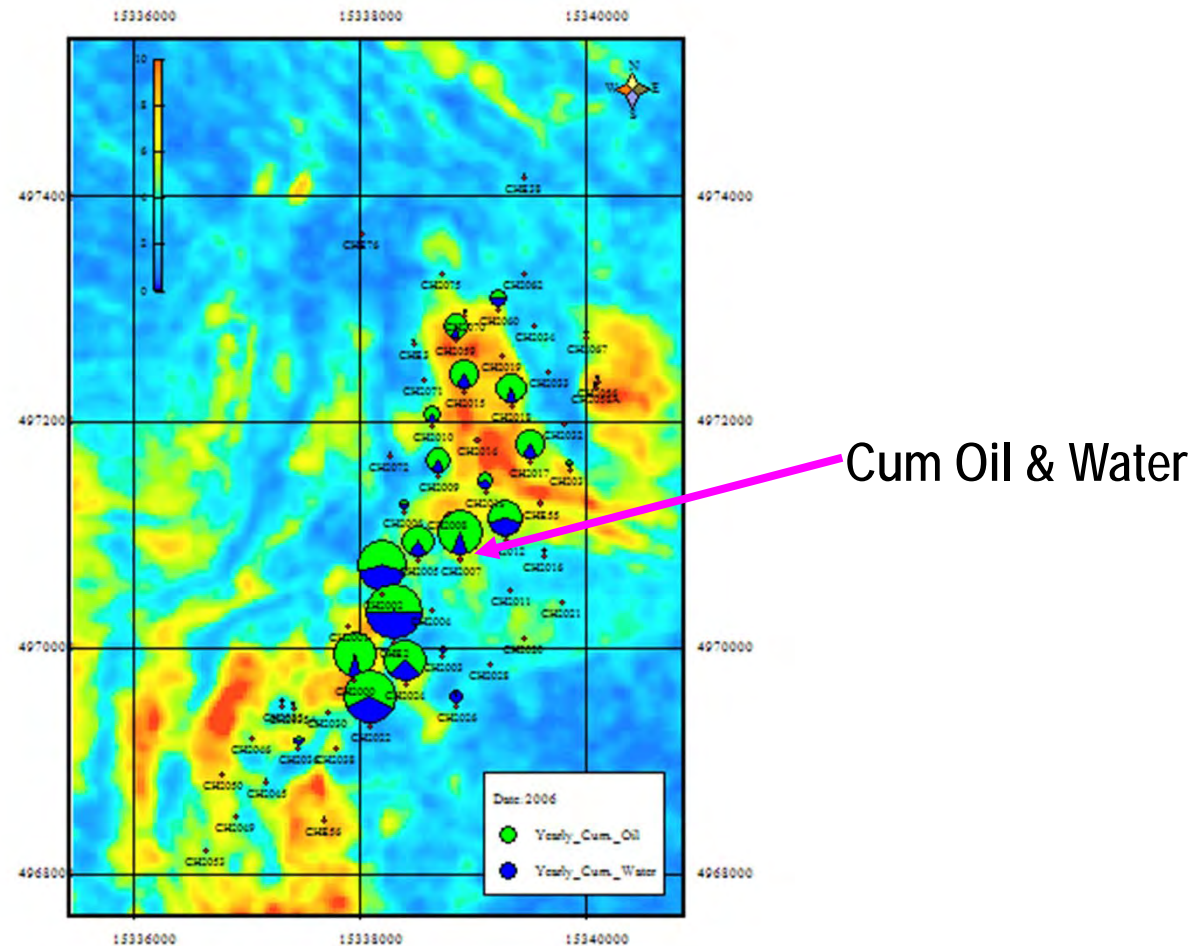


# A procedure for data-based "Close-the-Loop"



Production data + Seismic ➔ Interpretation

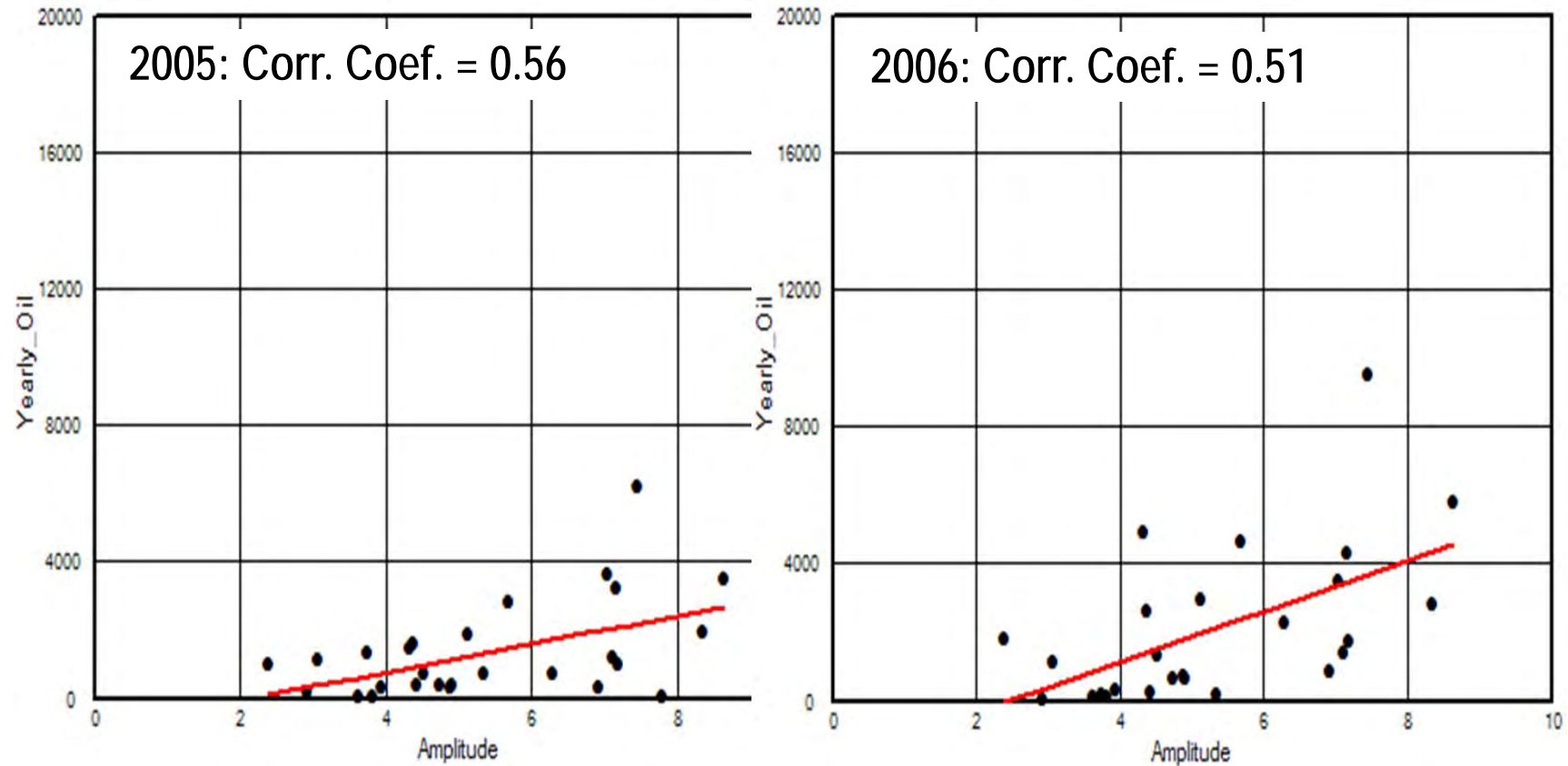
## Step 1: Screening - Amplitude and Cum. Oil & Cum. Water



Seismic attribute and production data patterns consistent



## Step 2: Quantified relationship

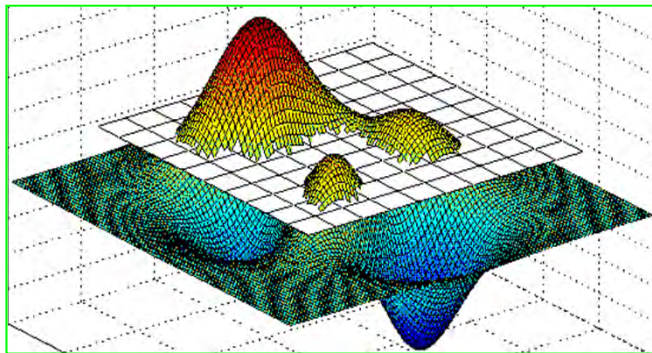


Favorable correlation indicates consistency of seismic attribute and production data

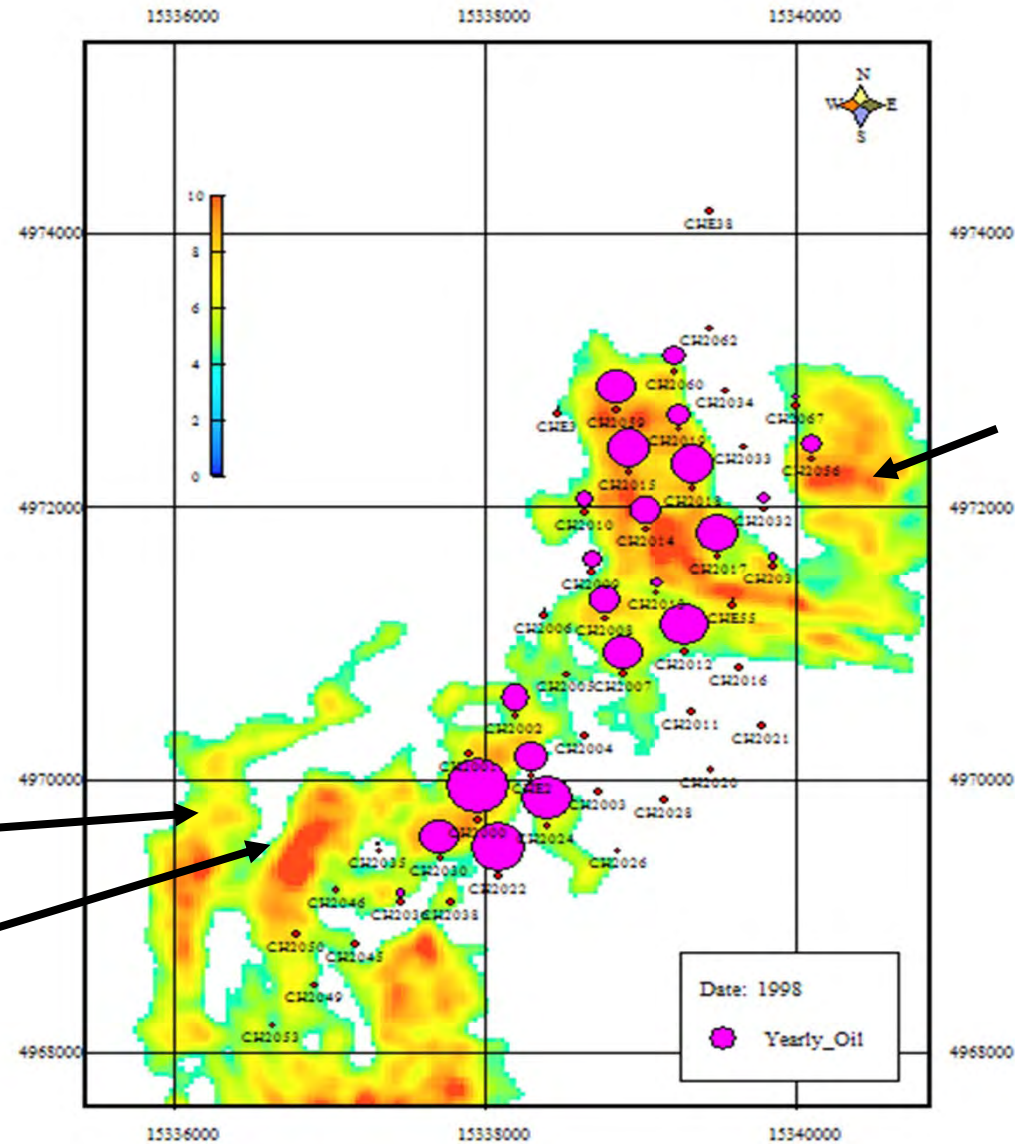
# Step 3: Filtering of amplitude

## Region growing with wells, matching reserves

Volumetric matching of seismic, region filtering and total support volume (reserves) from production data for potential screening



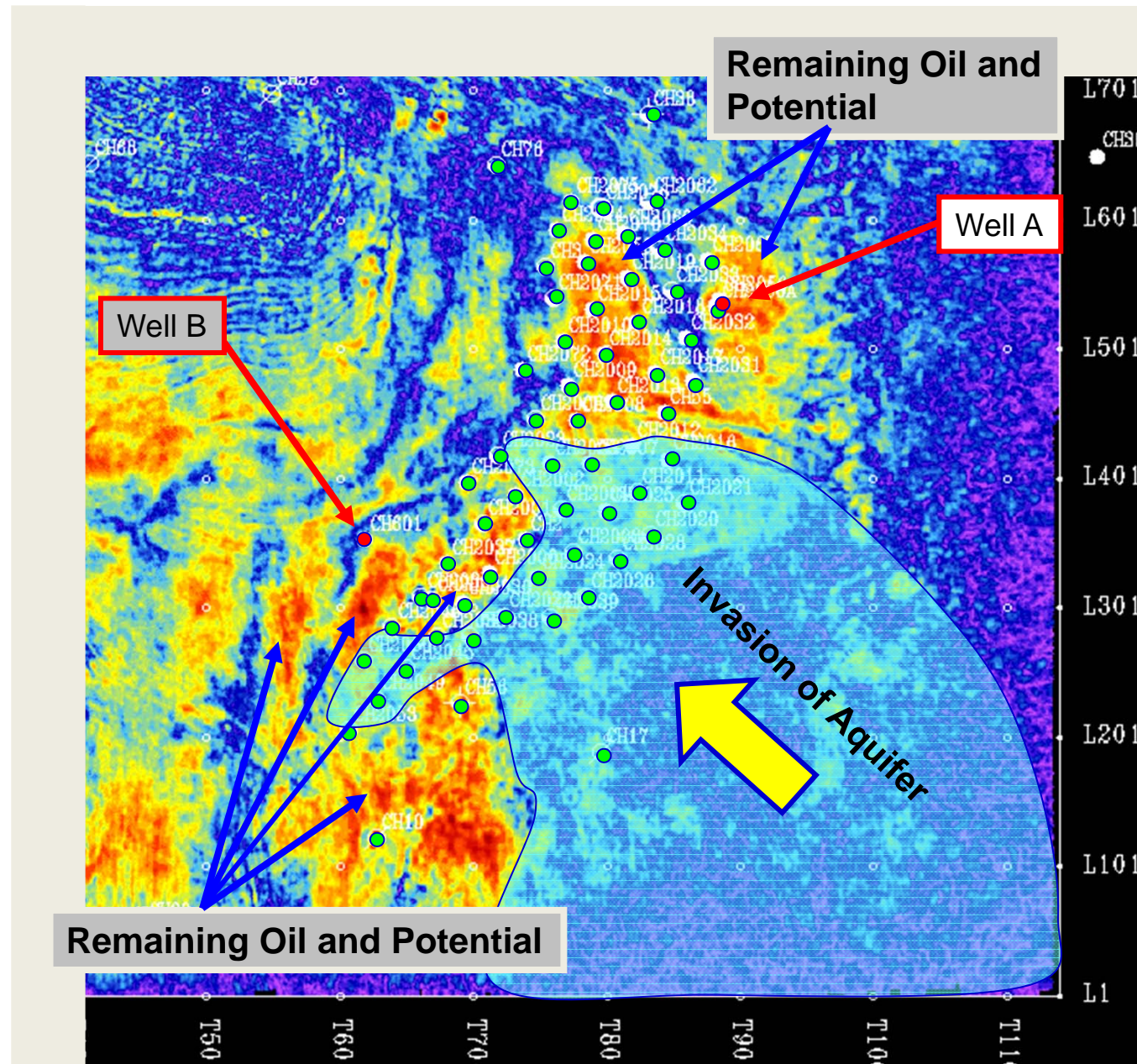
Potentials



Potentials

## Step 4: Remaining potential and aquifer movement

# Where to adjust?

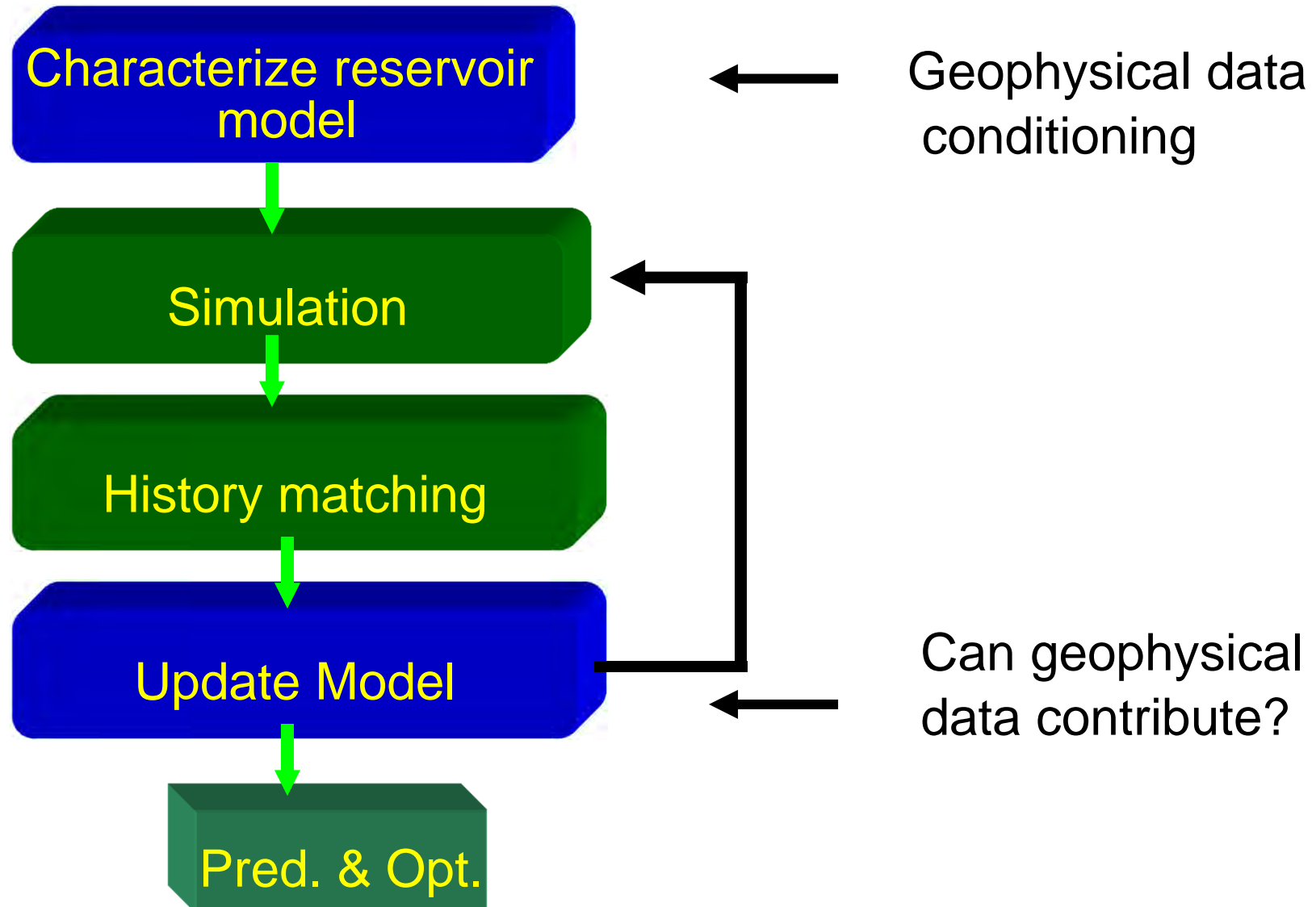




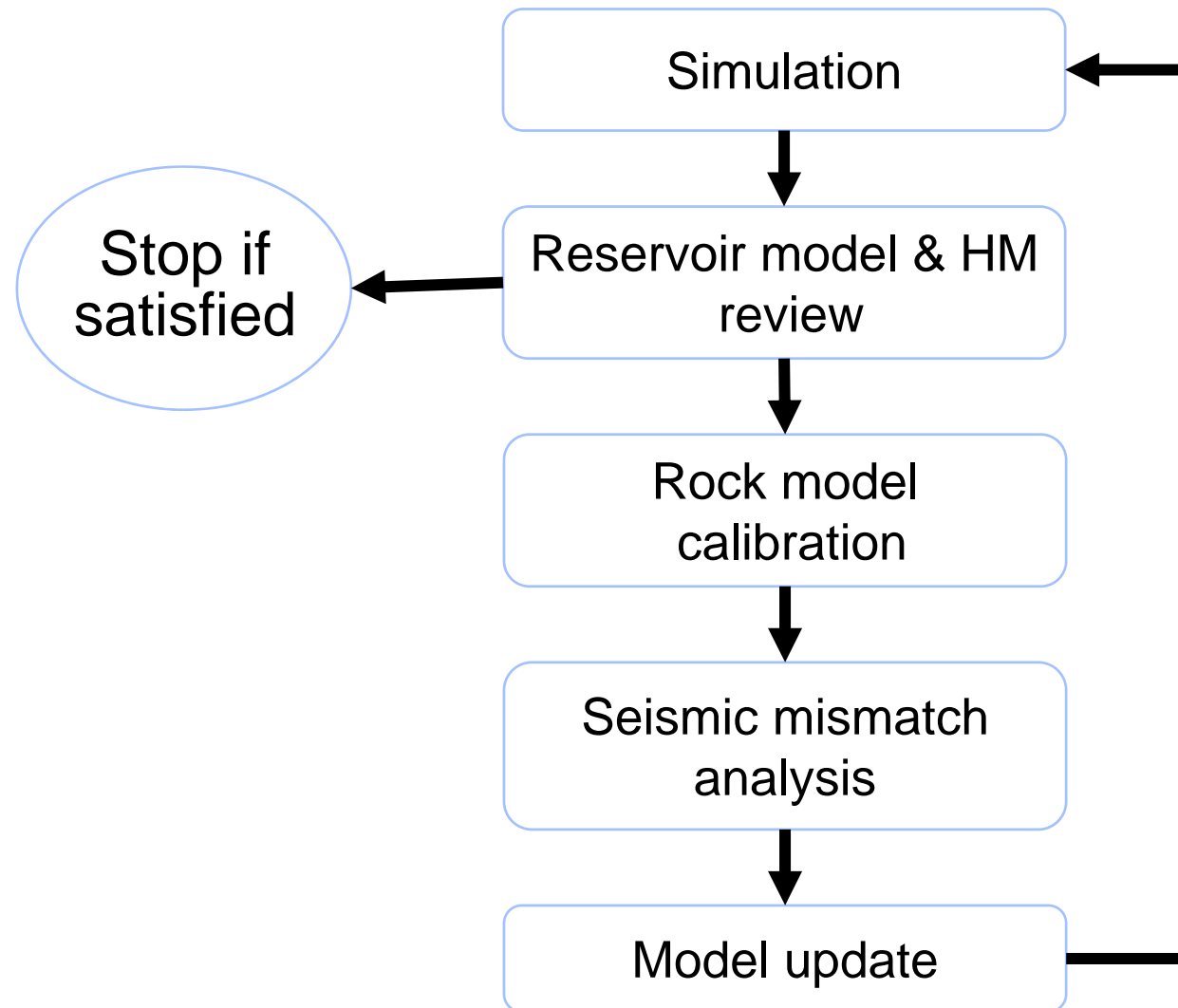
# Model-based “Close-the-Loop” example 1: Field background

- 15 months production history
  - Original reservoir model available
  - Water-cut matched in general
  - High mismatch observed for individual wells
- Reasonable seismic data
- Goal: improving the *original reservoir model*

# History Matching & Seismic

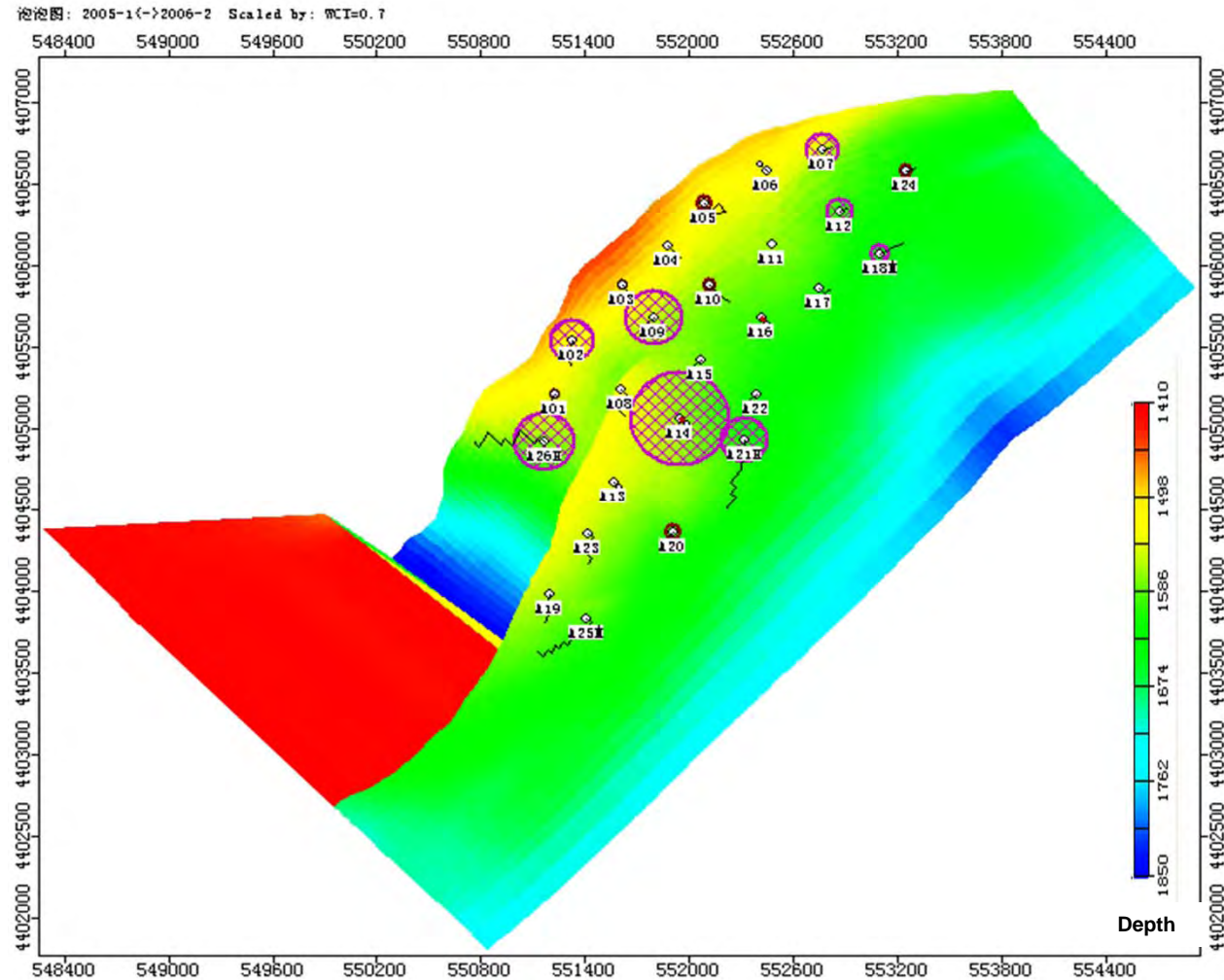


# A procedure for model-based “Close-the-Loop”





# Step 1: History matching review

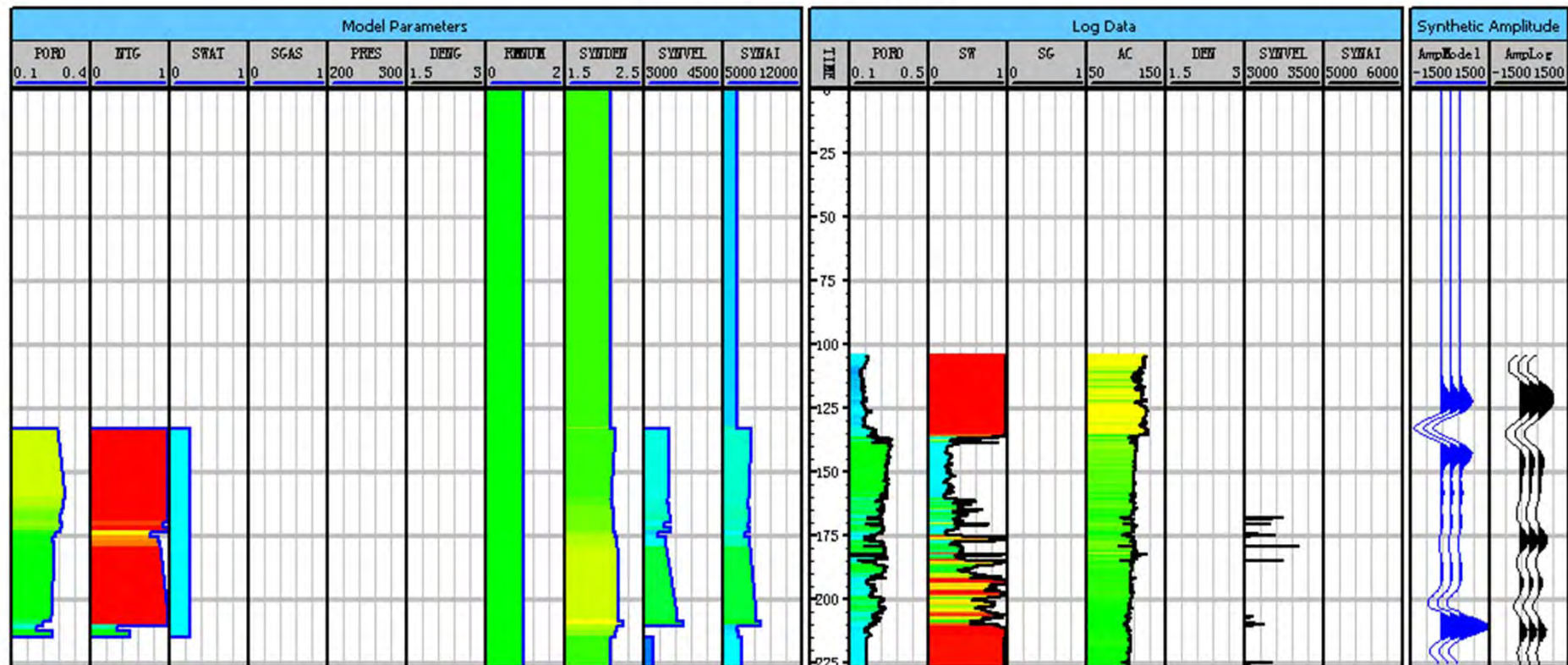


Higher mismatches in the central areas of the reservoir

# Step 2: Rock model & log calibration

## Log Calibration

Log Calibration for A16 (78,18)



Find a rock model which builds a relationship between reservoir properties (dynamic and static) and seismic responses.



## Seismic Consistency



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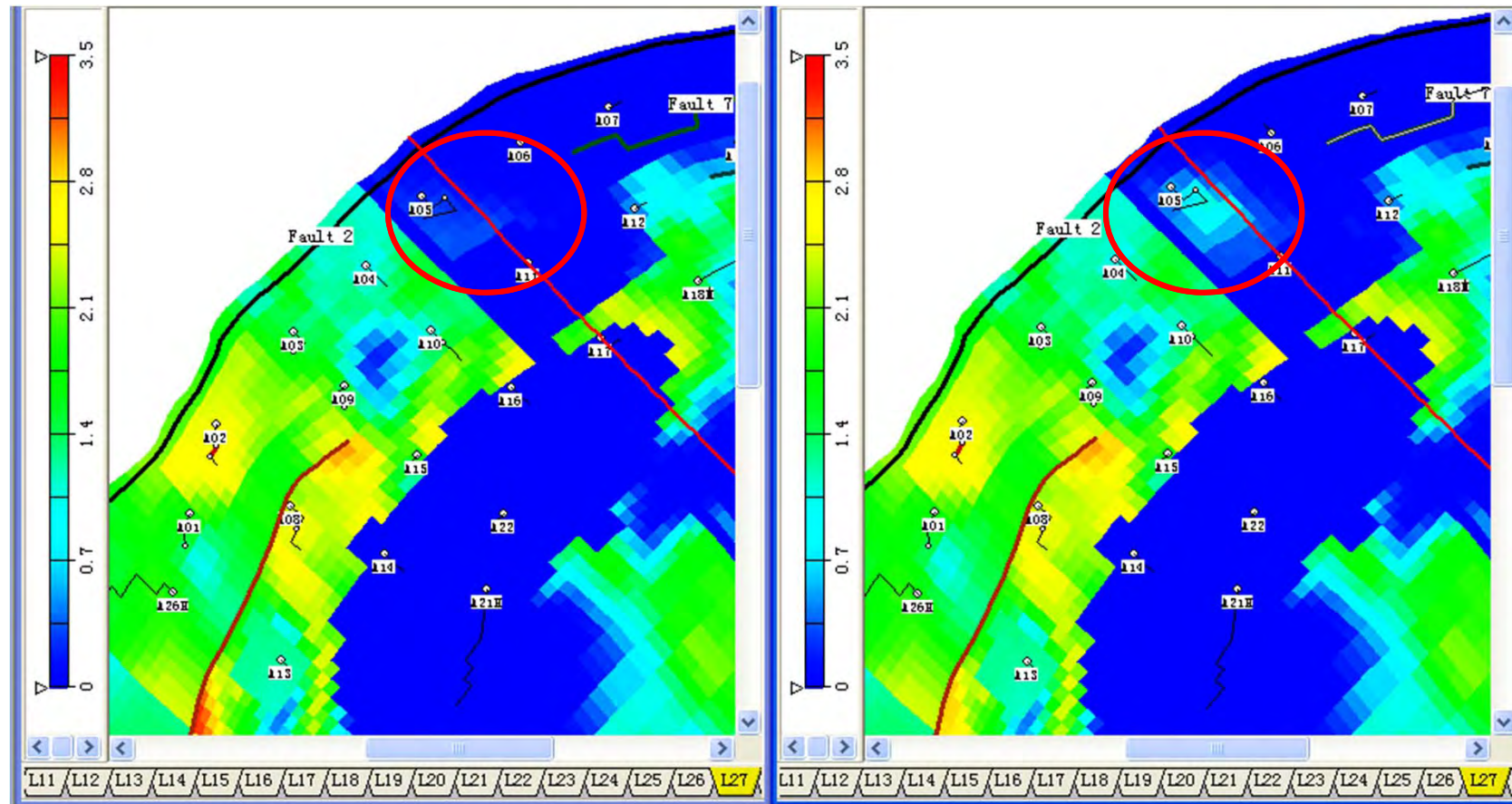


# Step 4: Model updating

## Thickness modification

Original model

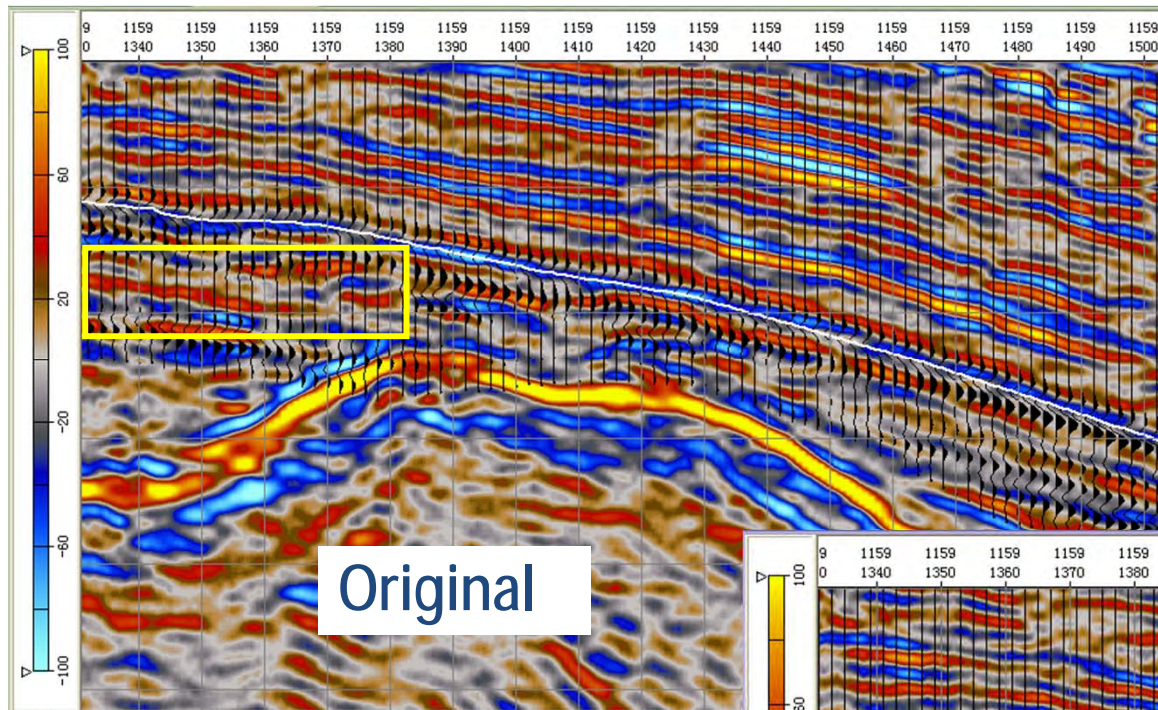
New Model



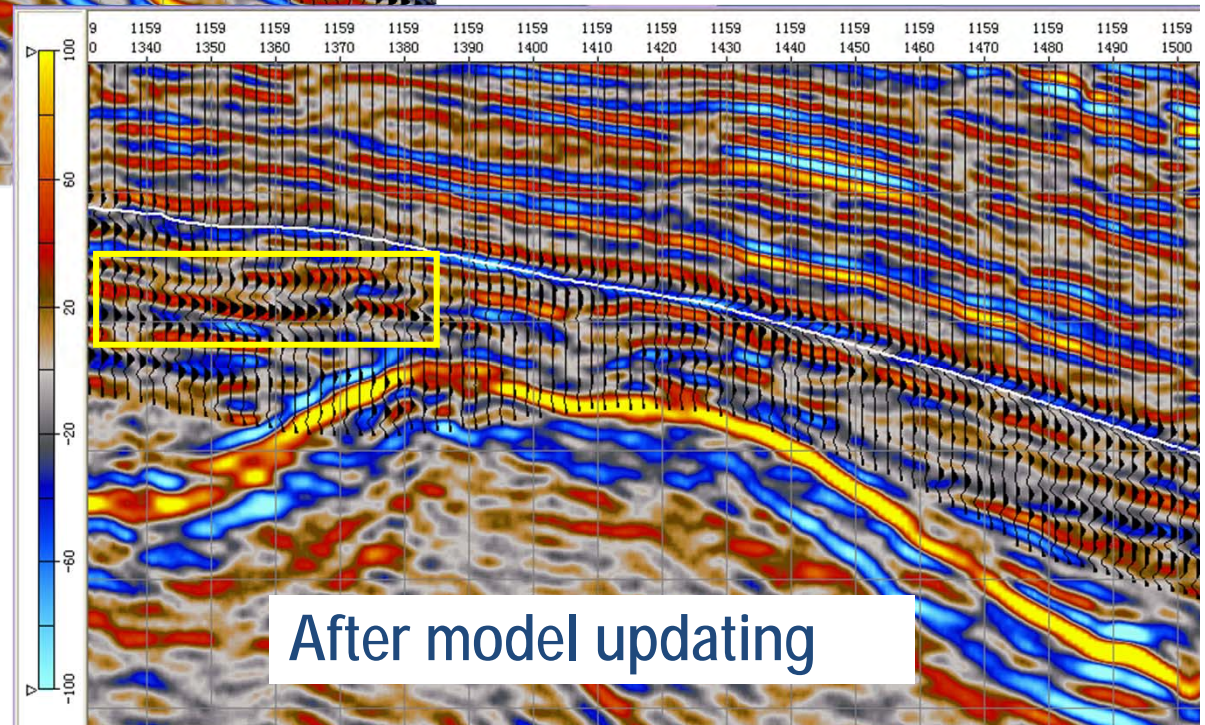
Modify the reservoir according to seismic mismatch



# Seismic comparison



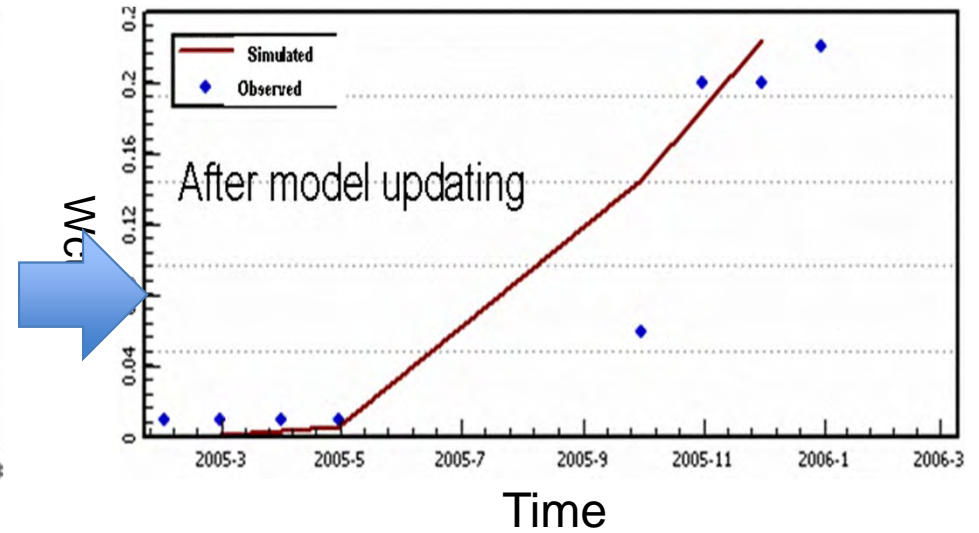
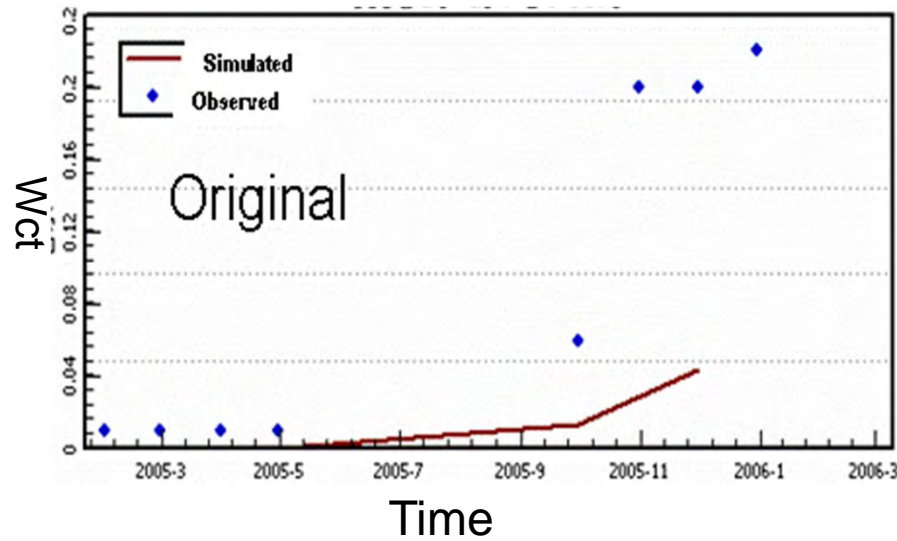
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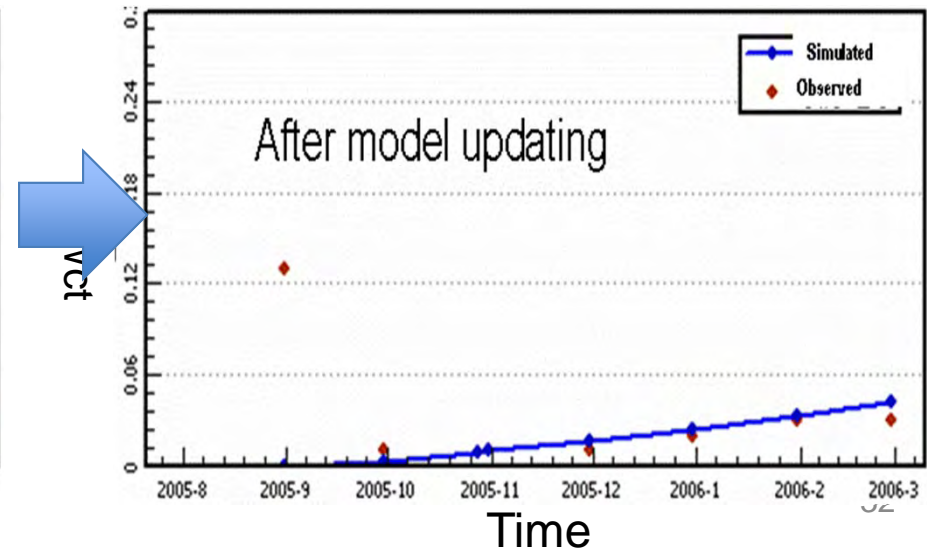
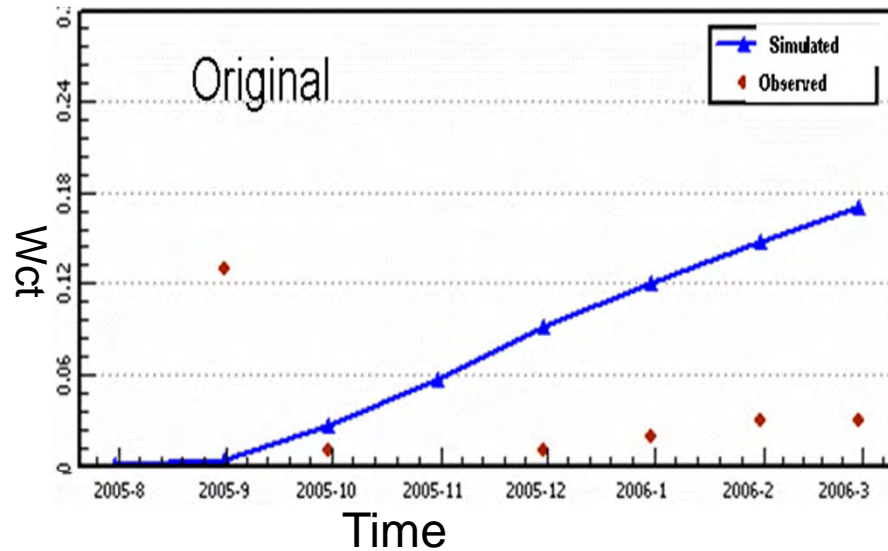
# History matching

Water-Cut

Well A09

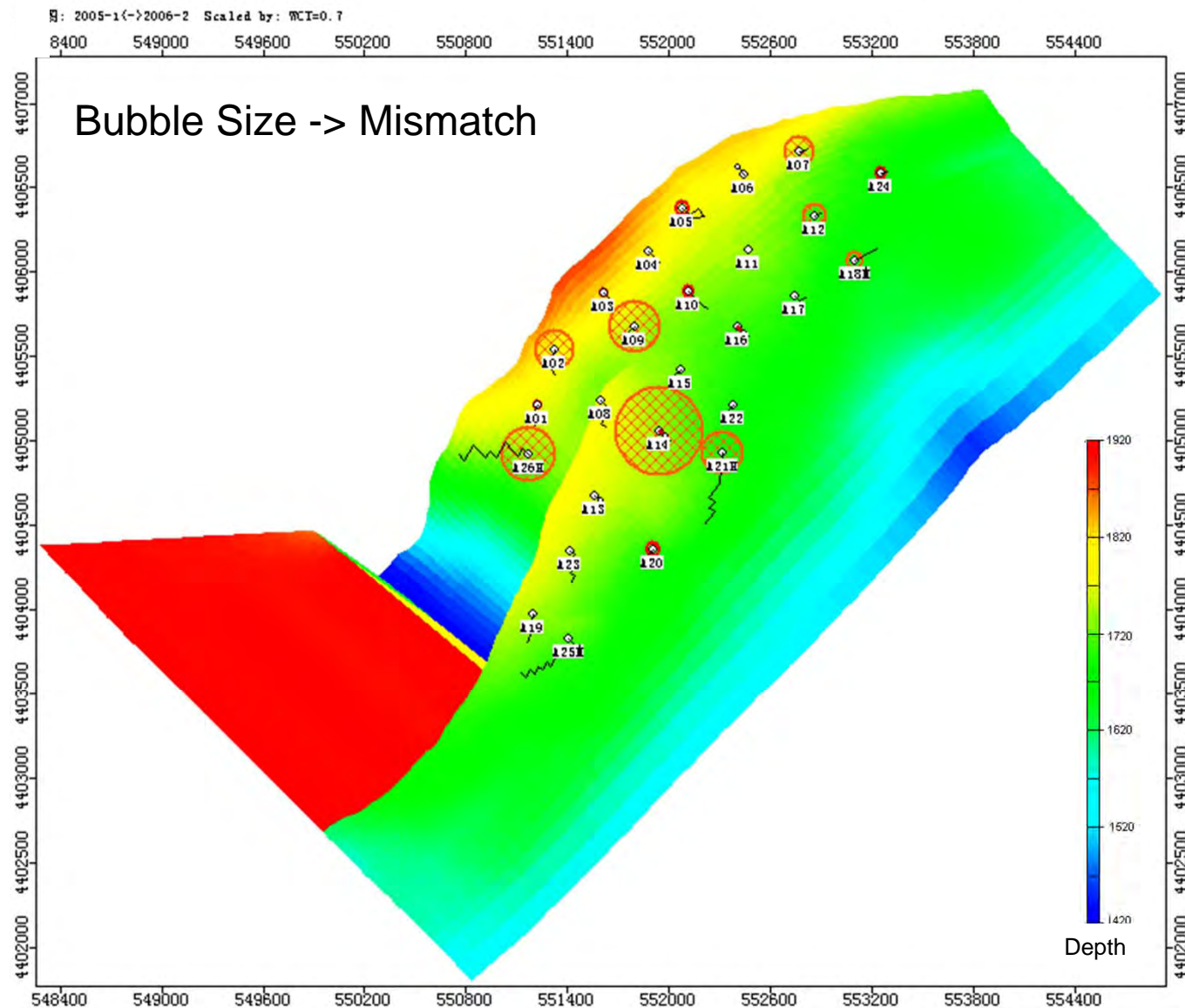


Well A26X



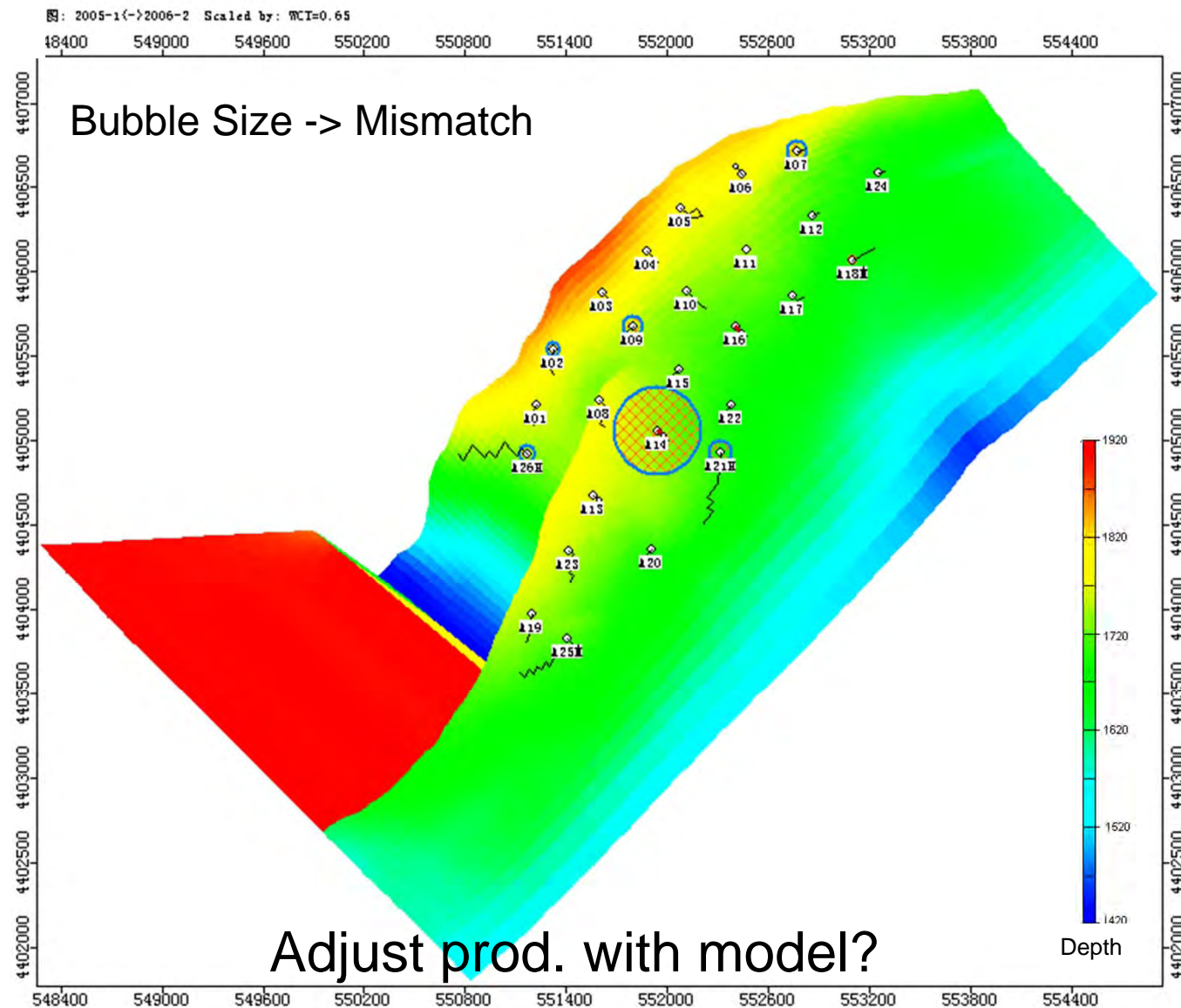


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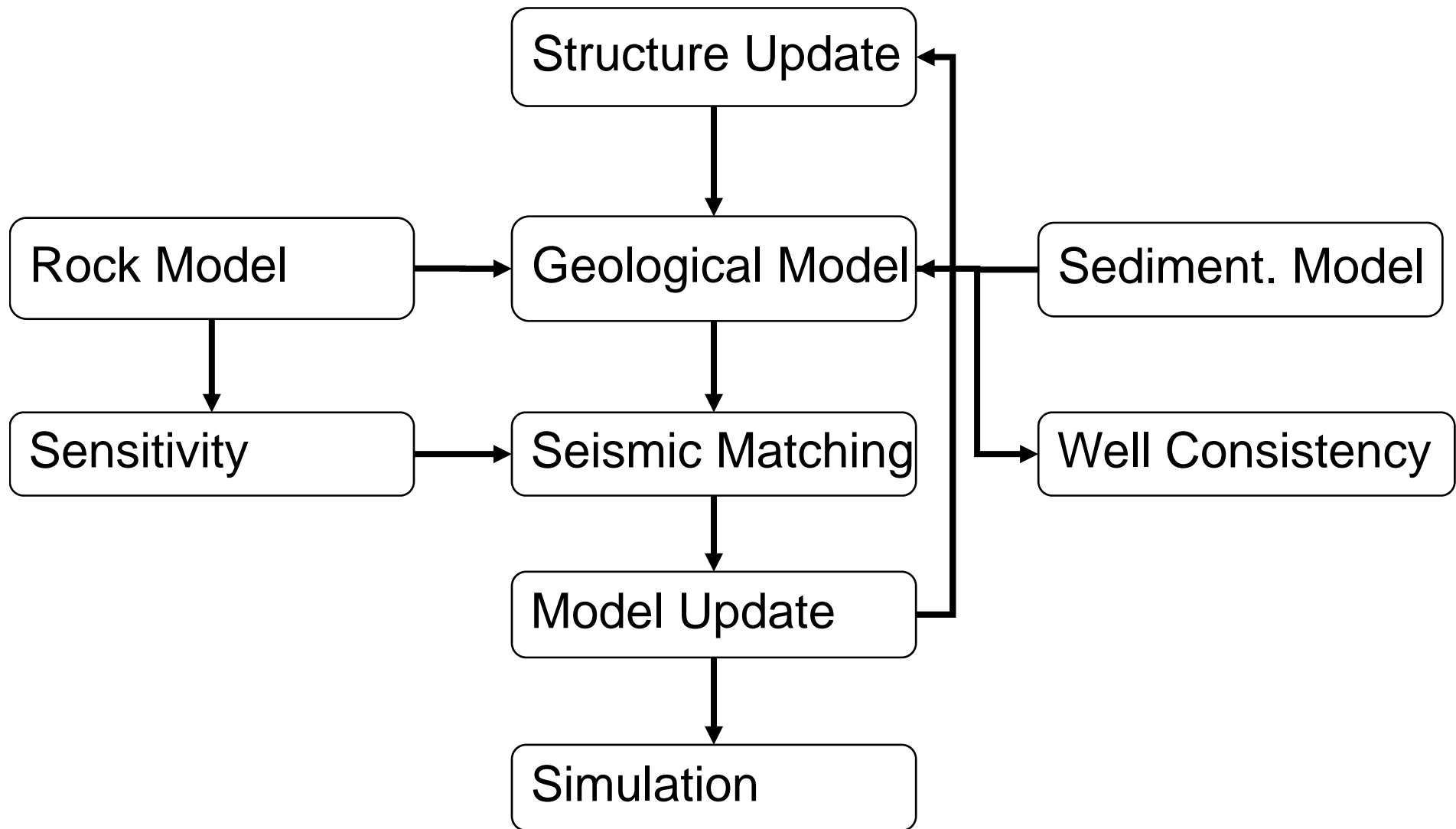


# History matching after updating: water-cut

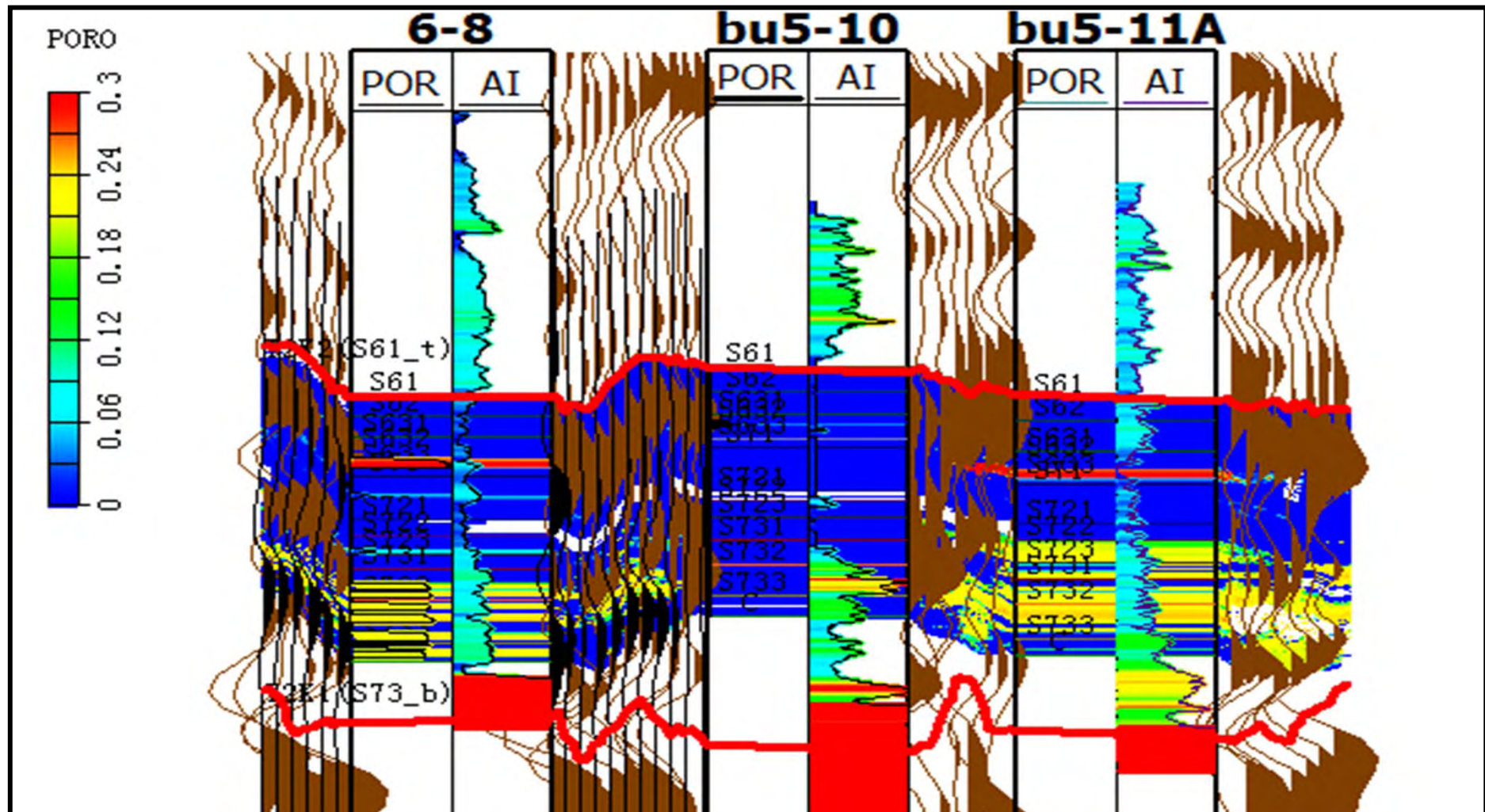


# **Model-based “Close-the-Loop” example 2: Field background**

- **Mature field**
  - More than 30 year production
  - 2010 seismic
  - More than 200 wells
- **Reasonable seismic data**
- **Goal: update or diagnose geological  
model using seismic**



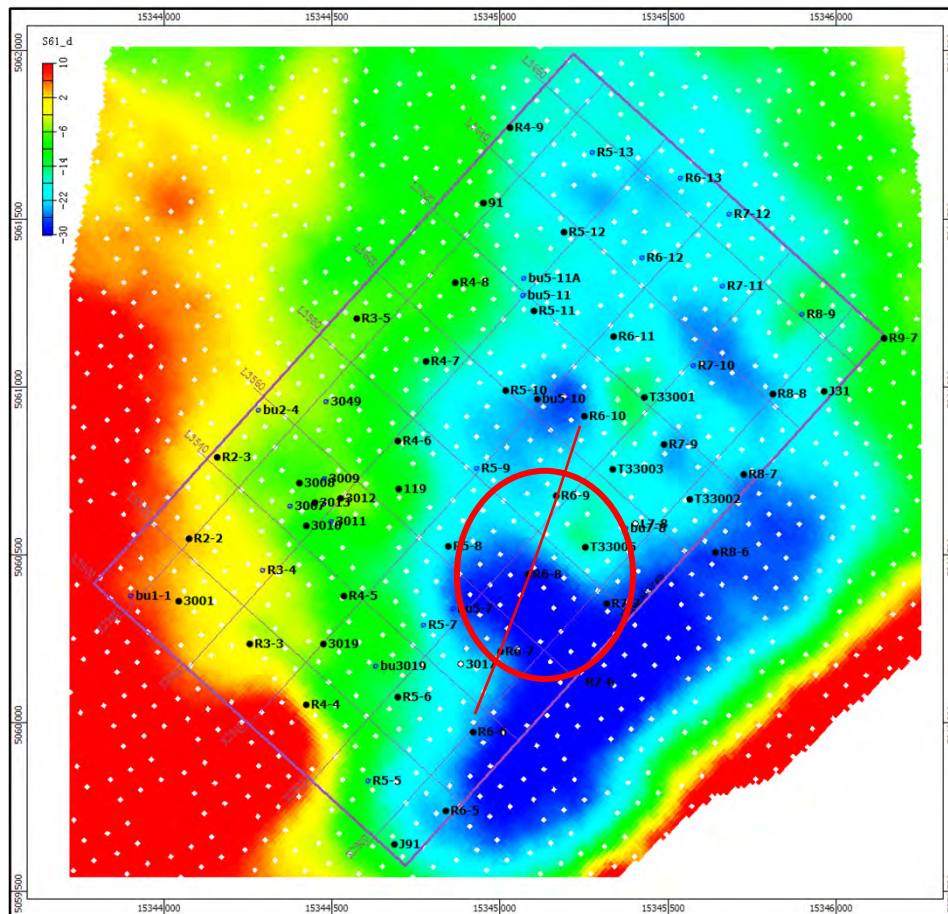
# Step 1: Structure Check & Update



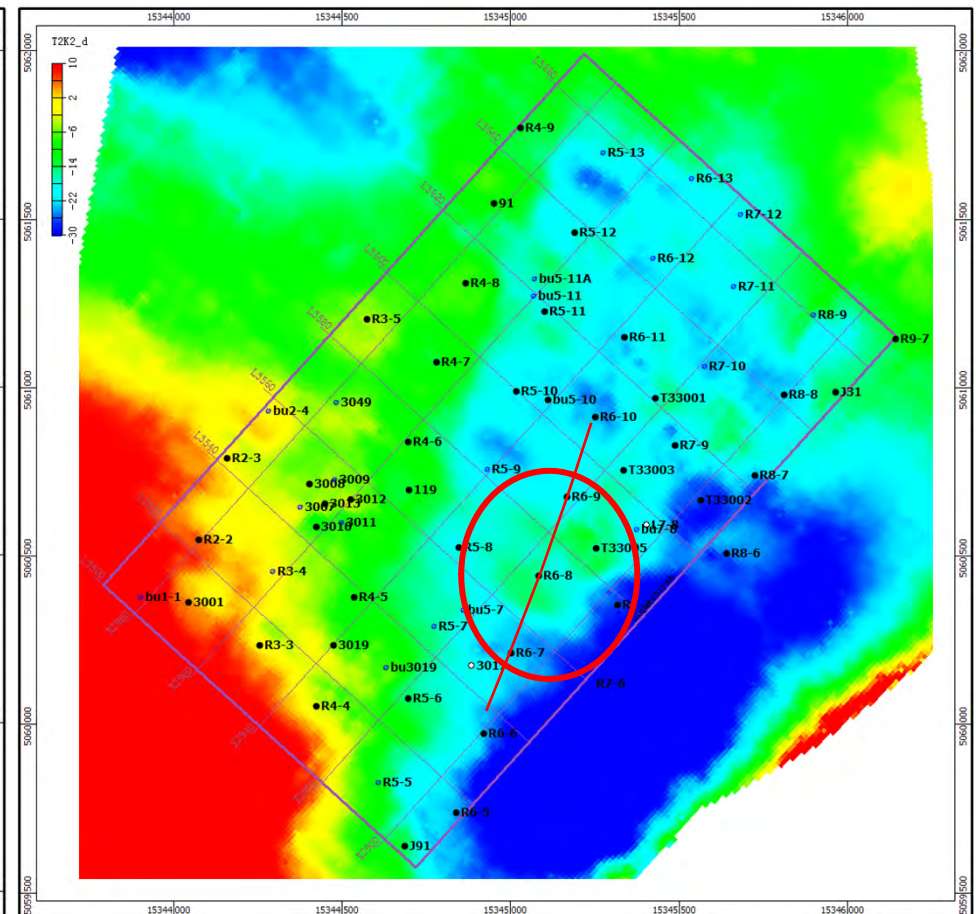


# Step 1: Structure Check & Update

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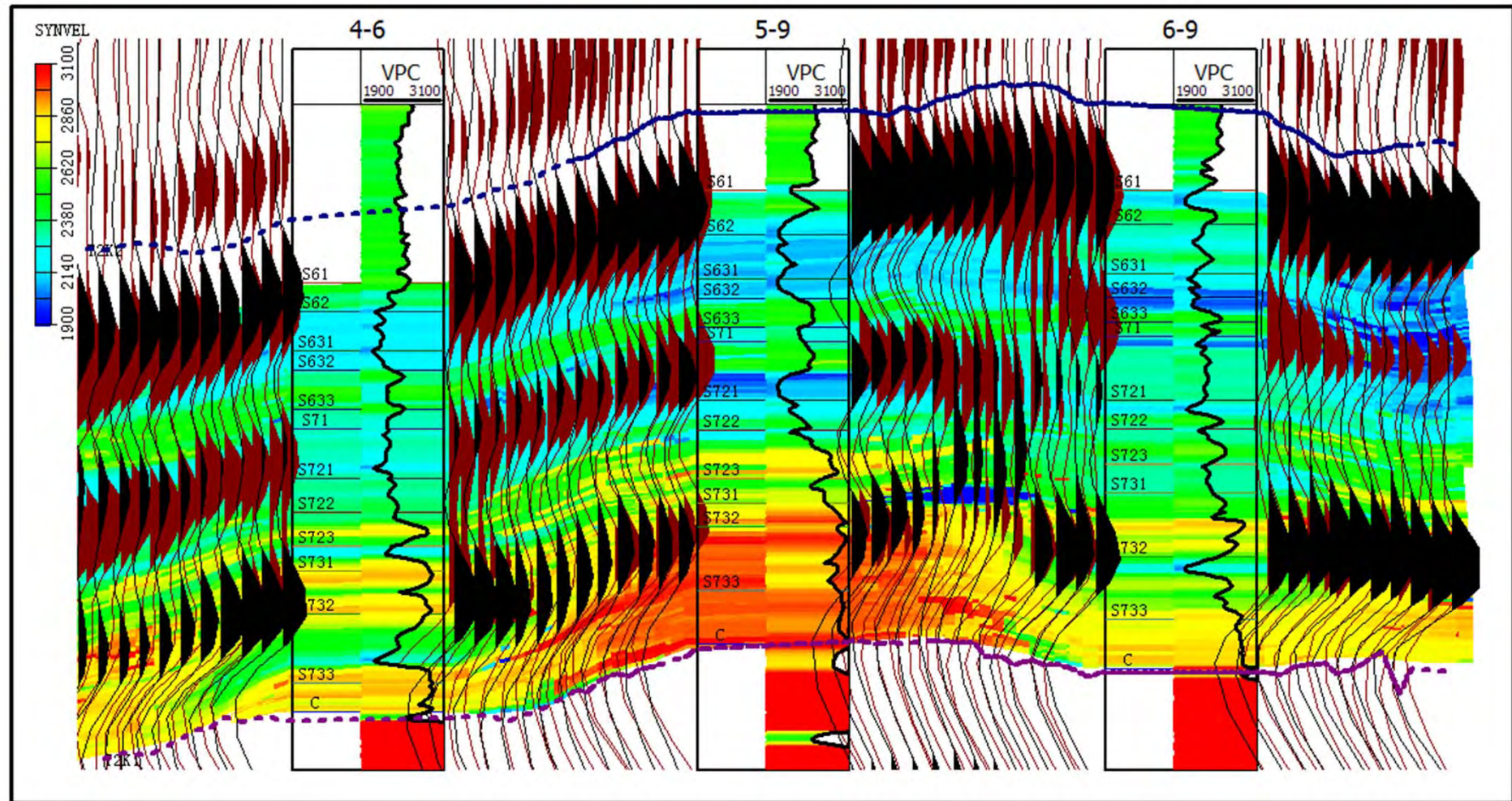


Updated Top





# Step 1: Structure Check & Update



# Step 2: Well Consistency

W119

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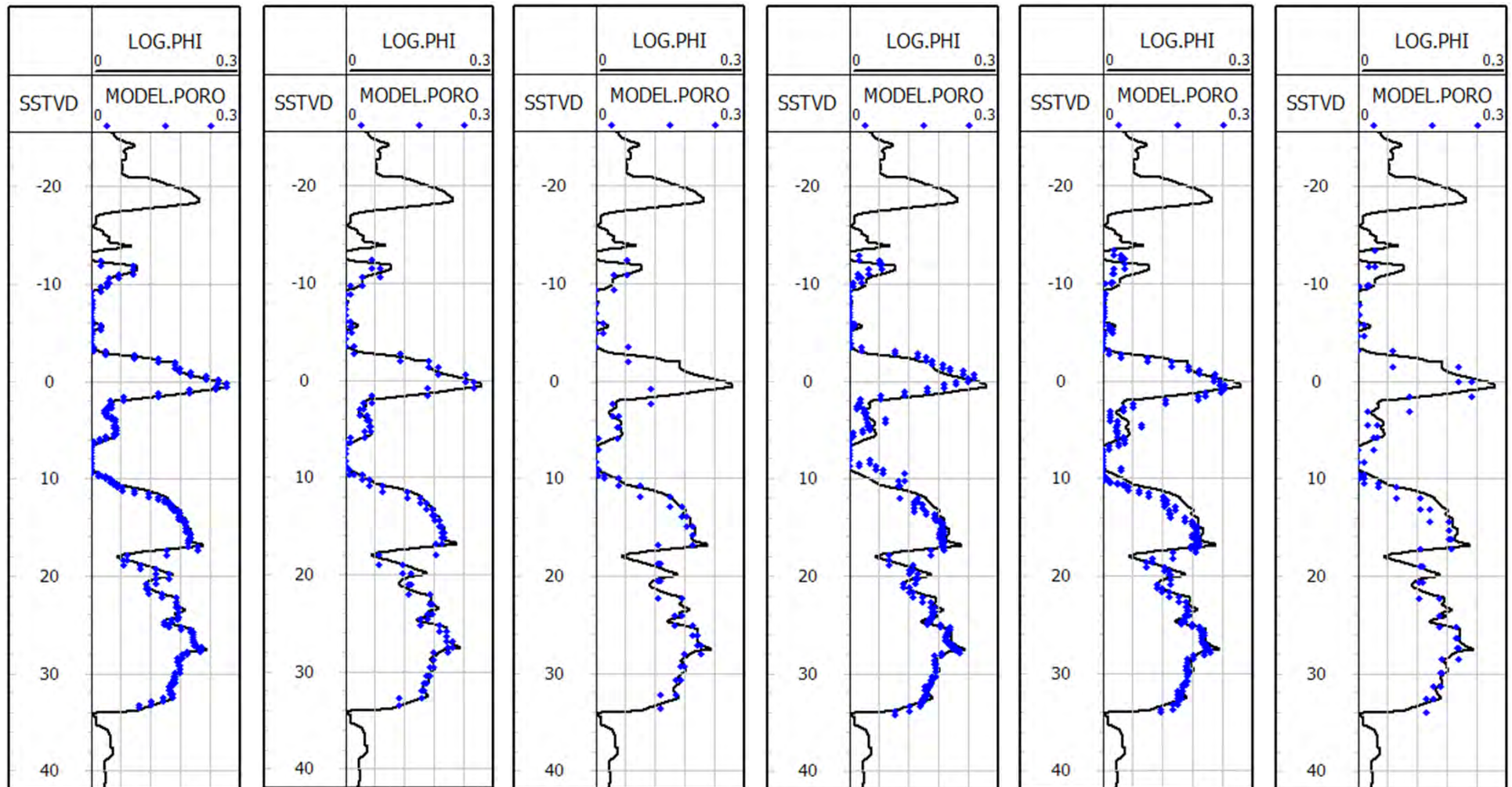
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12.5m × 12.5m × 2

25m × 25m × 0.5

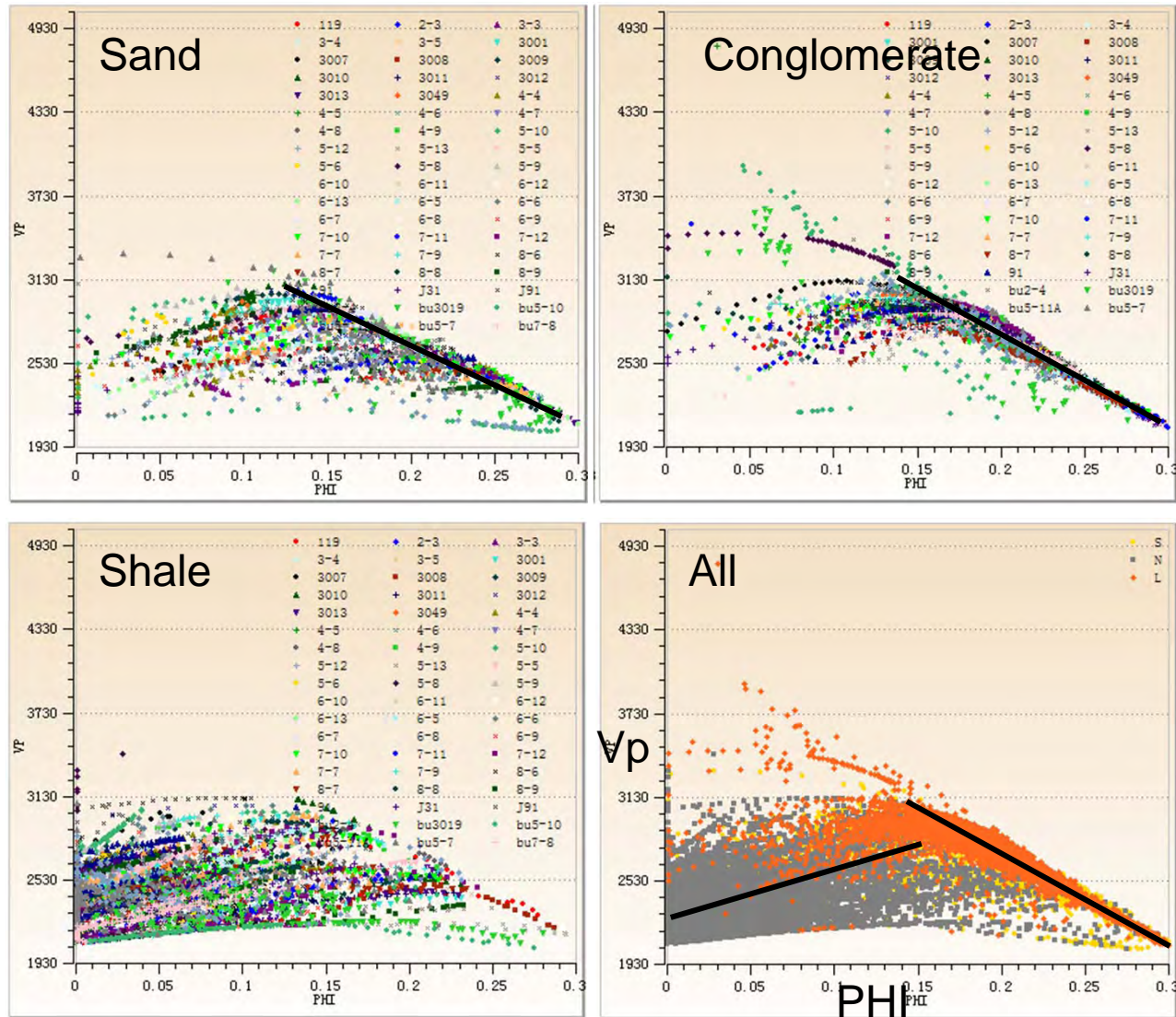
50m × 50m × 0.5

50m × 50m × 2





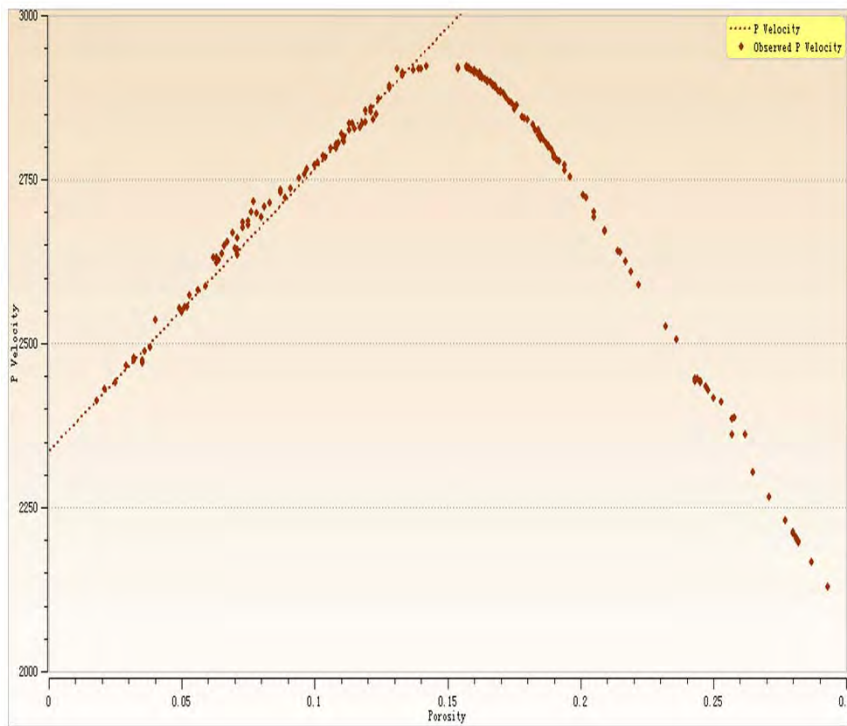
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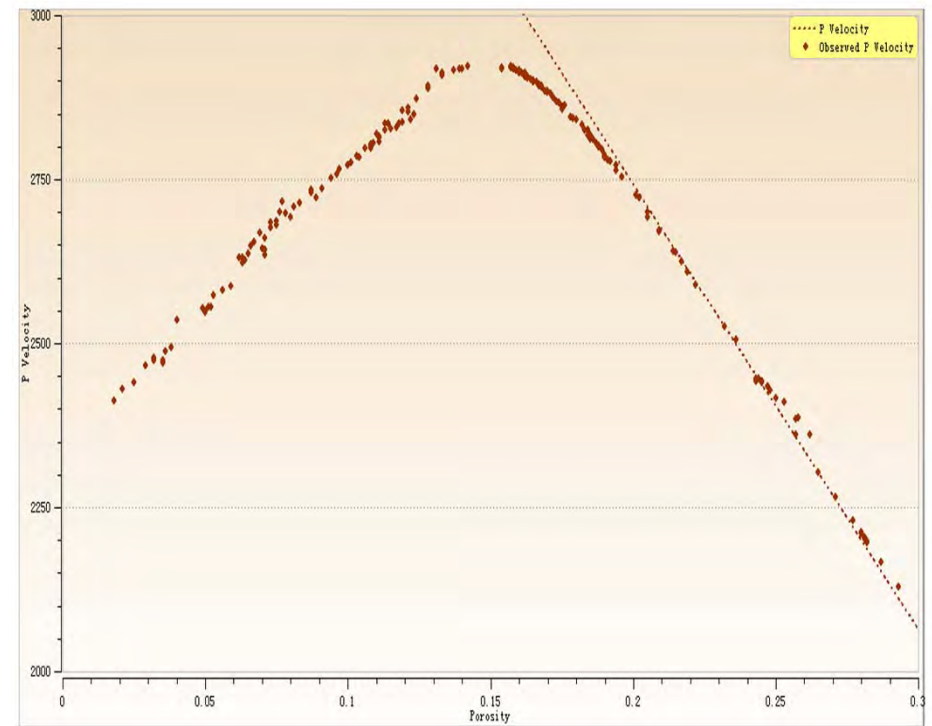


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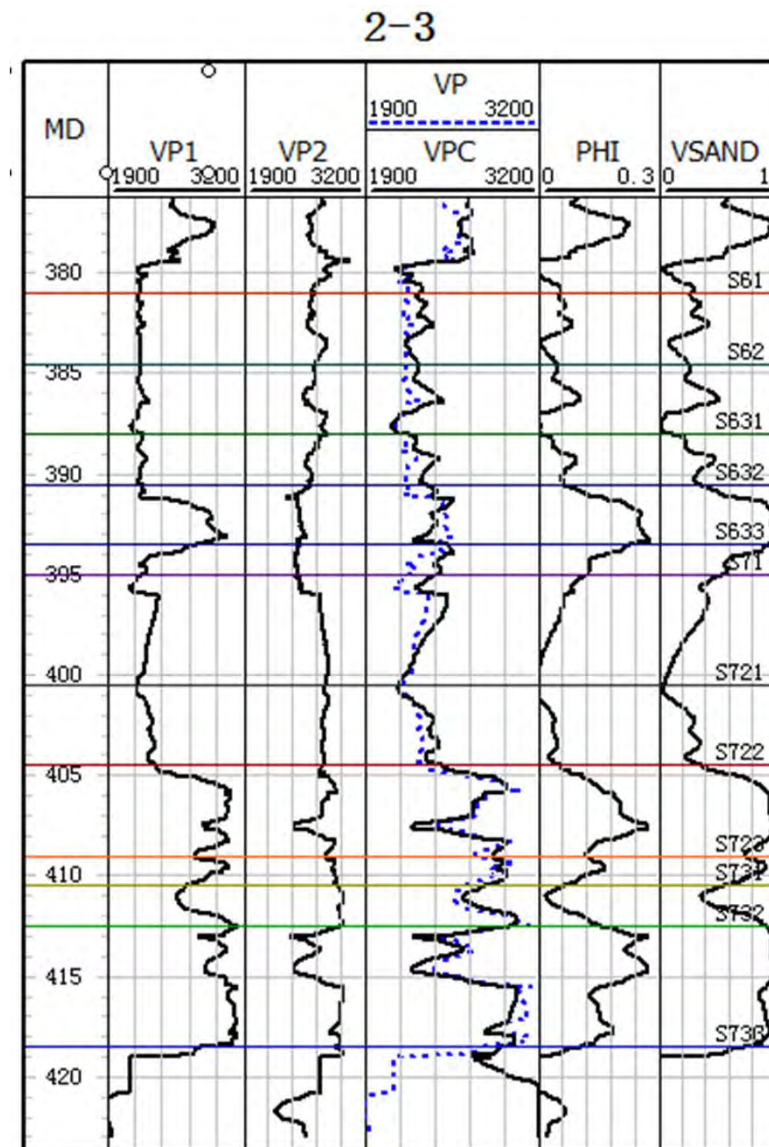
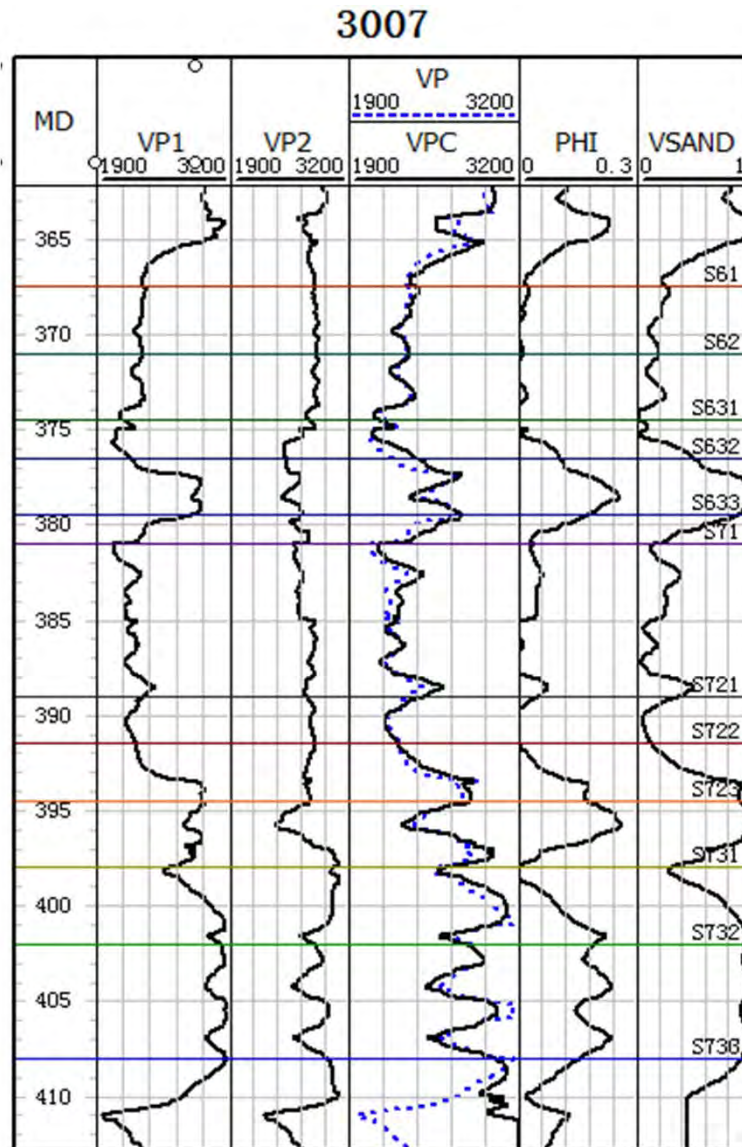
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Template 2



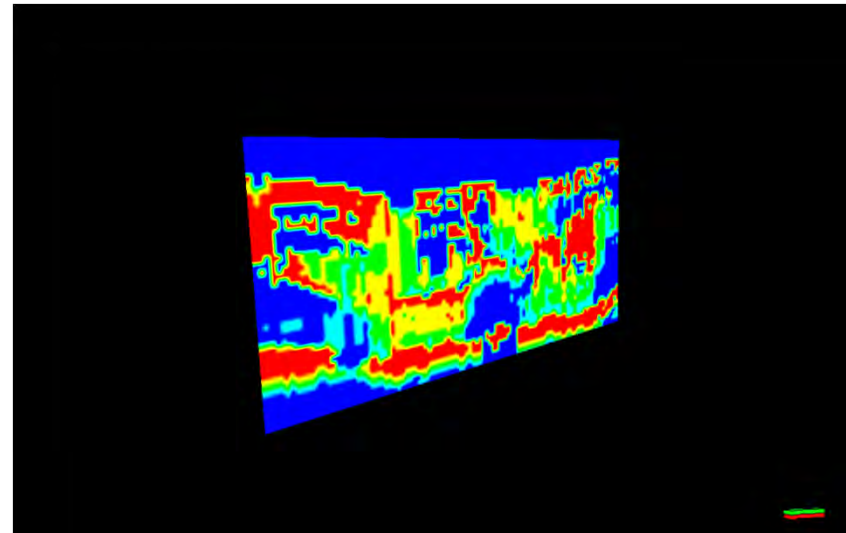
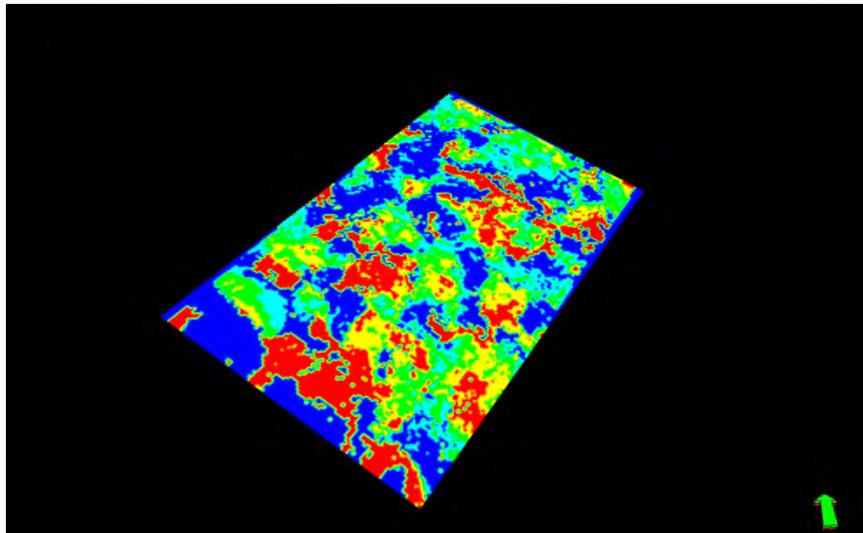
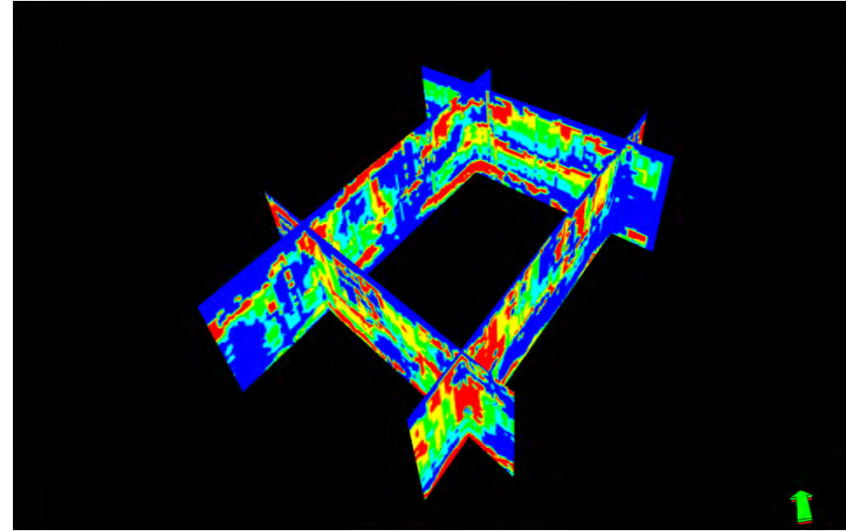
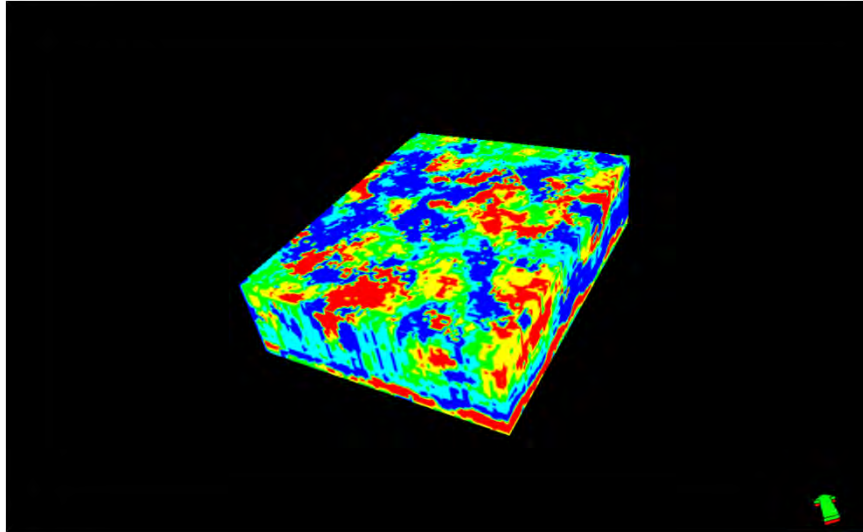
# Step 3a: Rock Model-Validation



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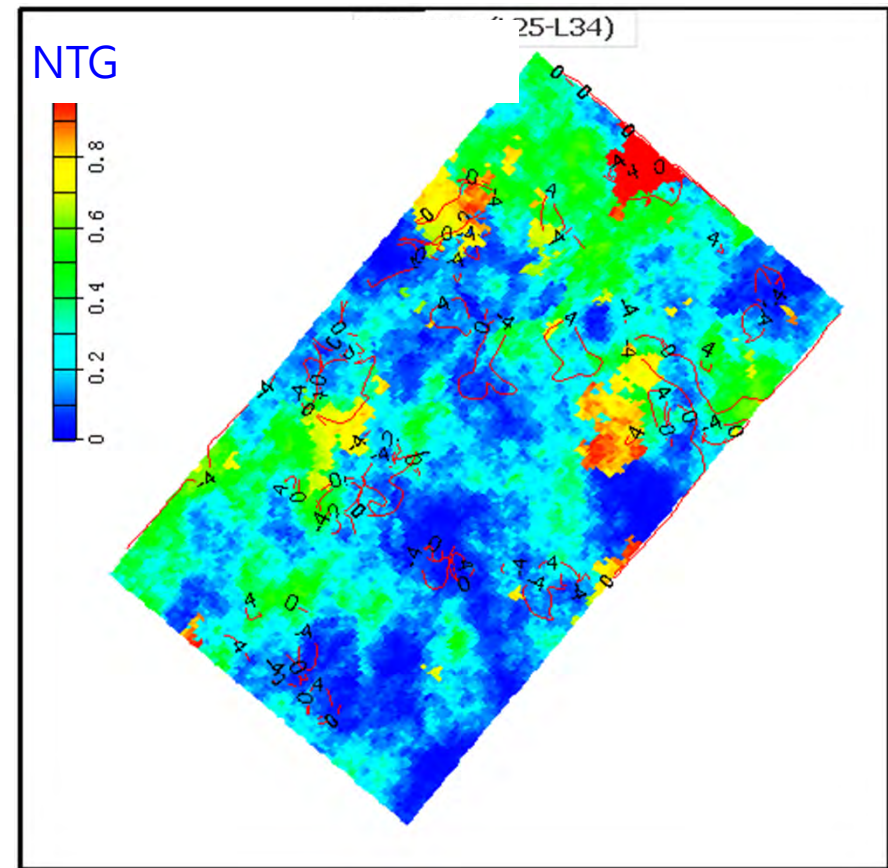
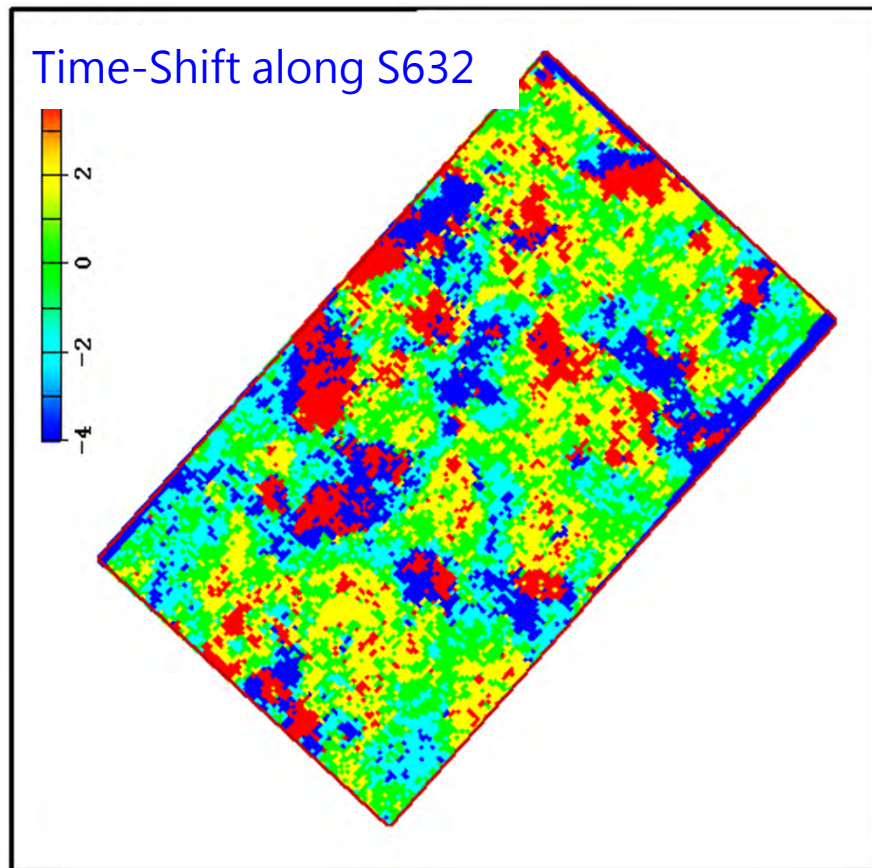
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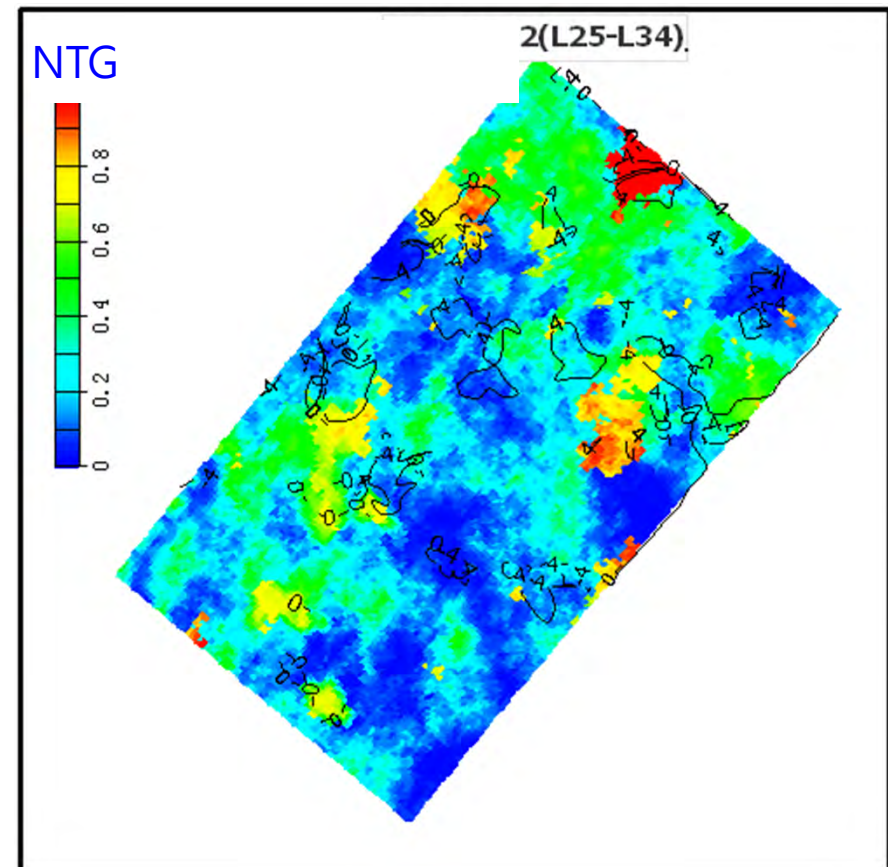
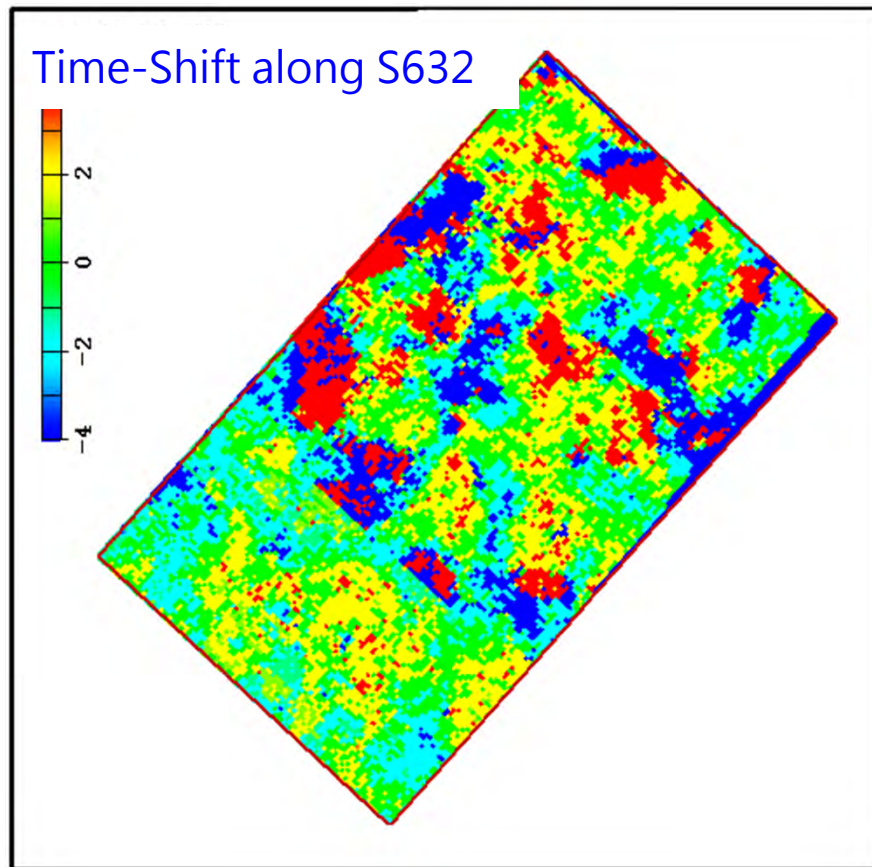




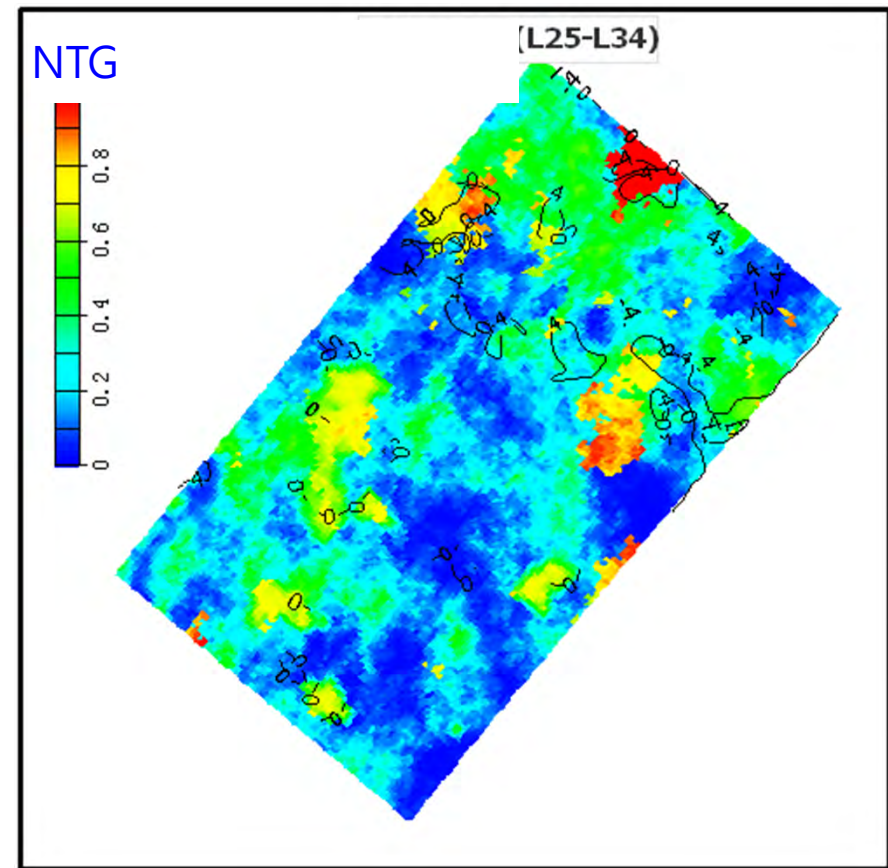
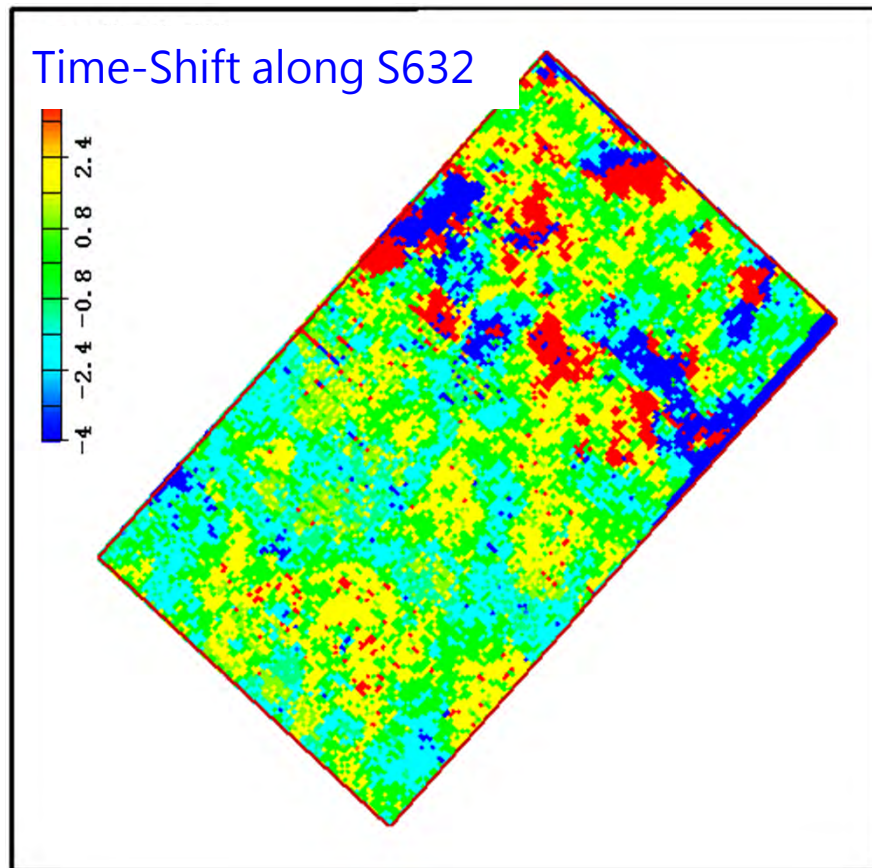
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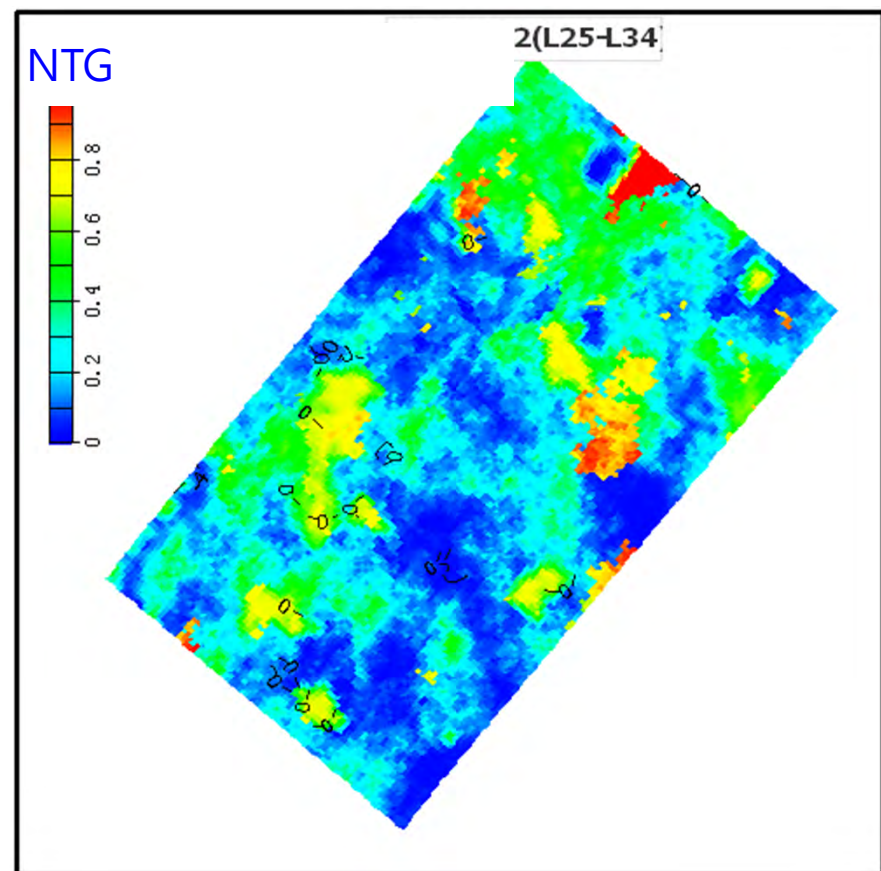
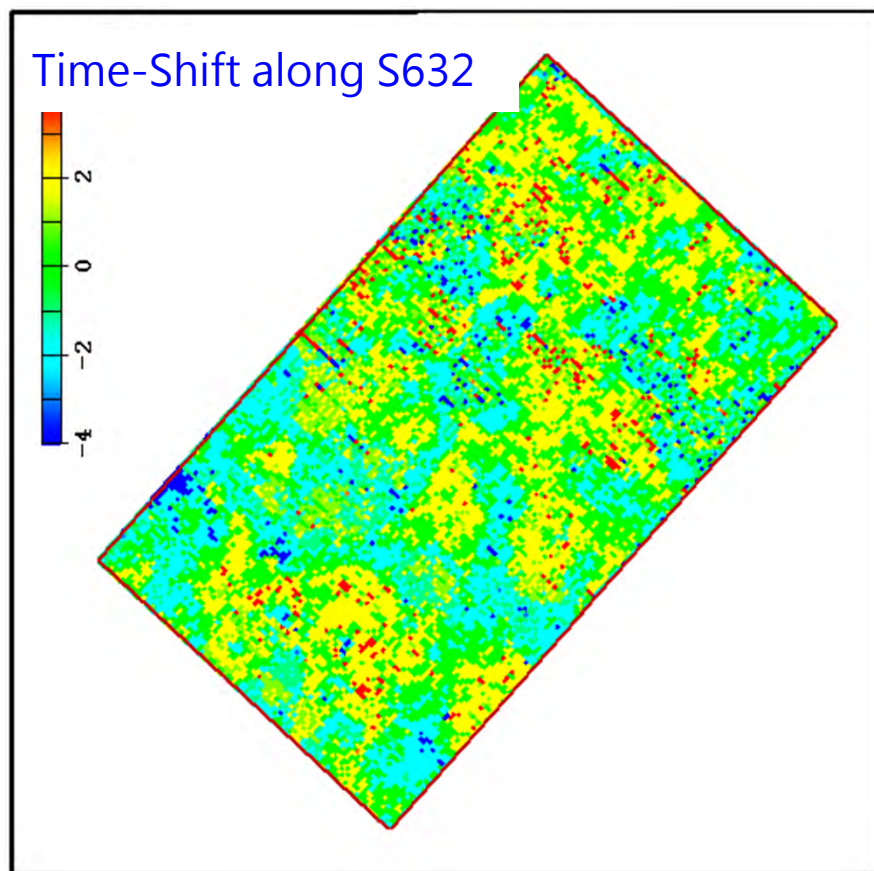


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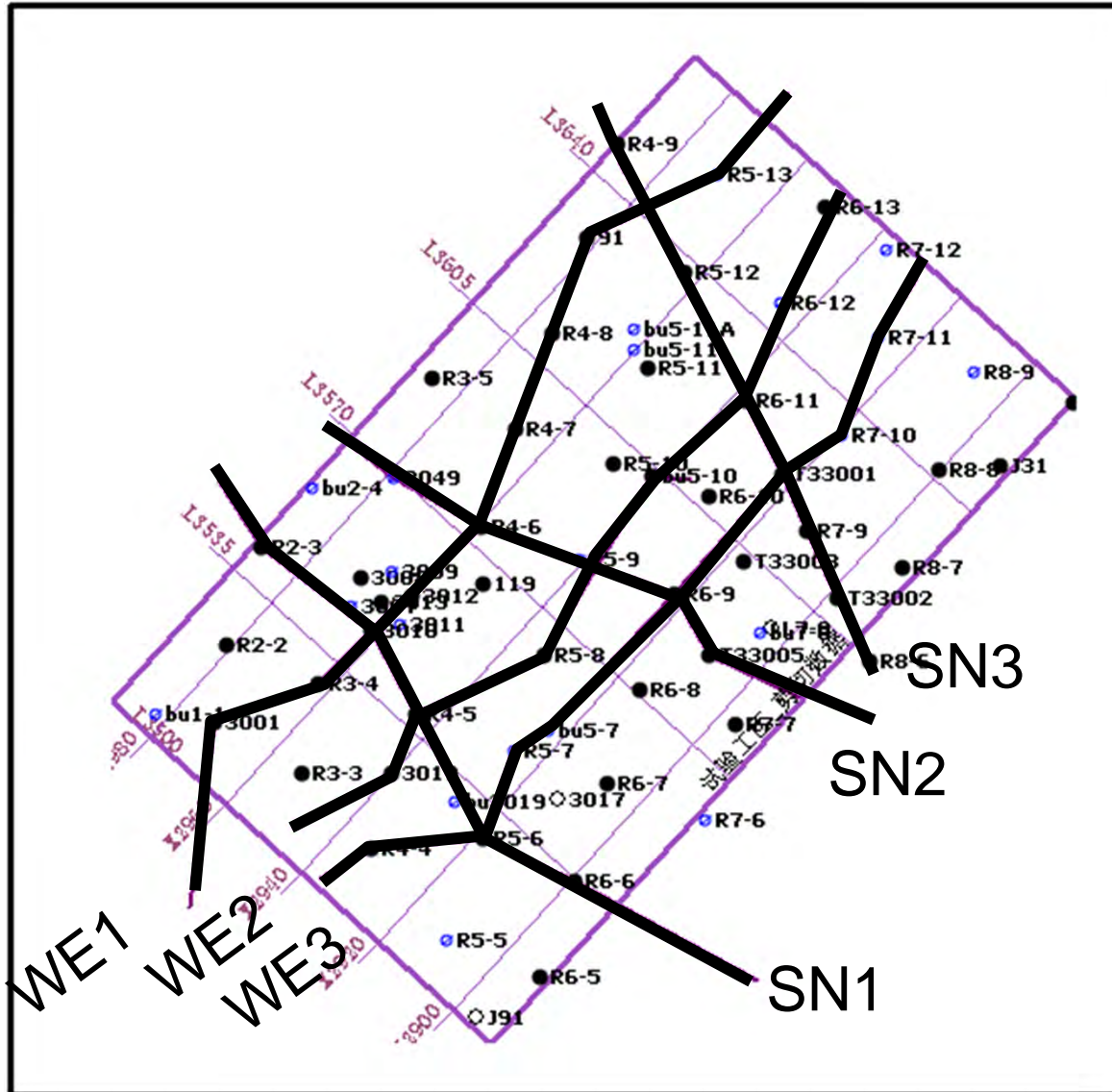


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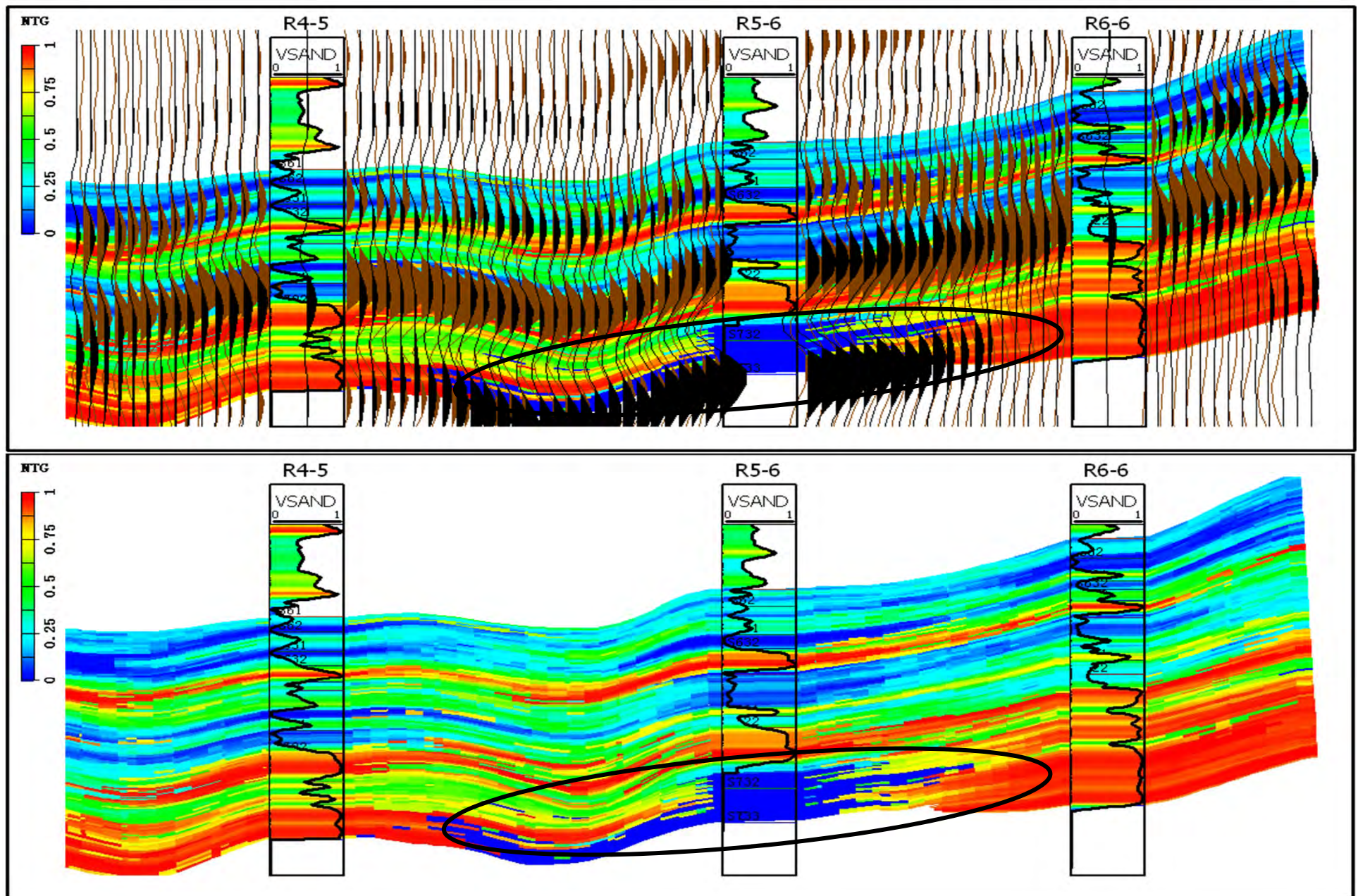


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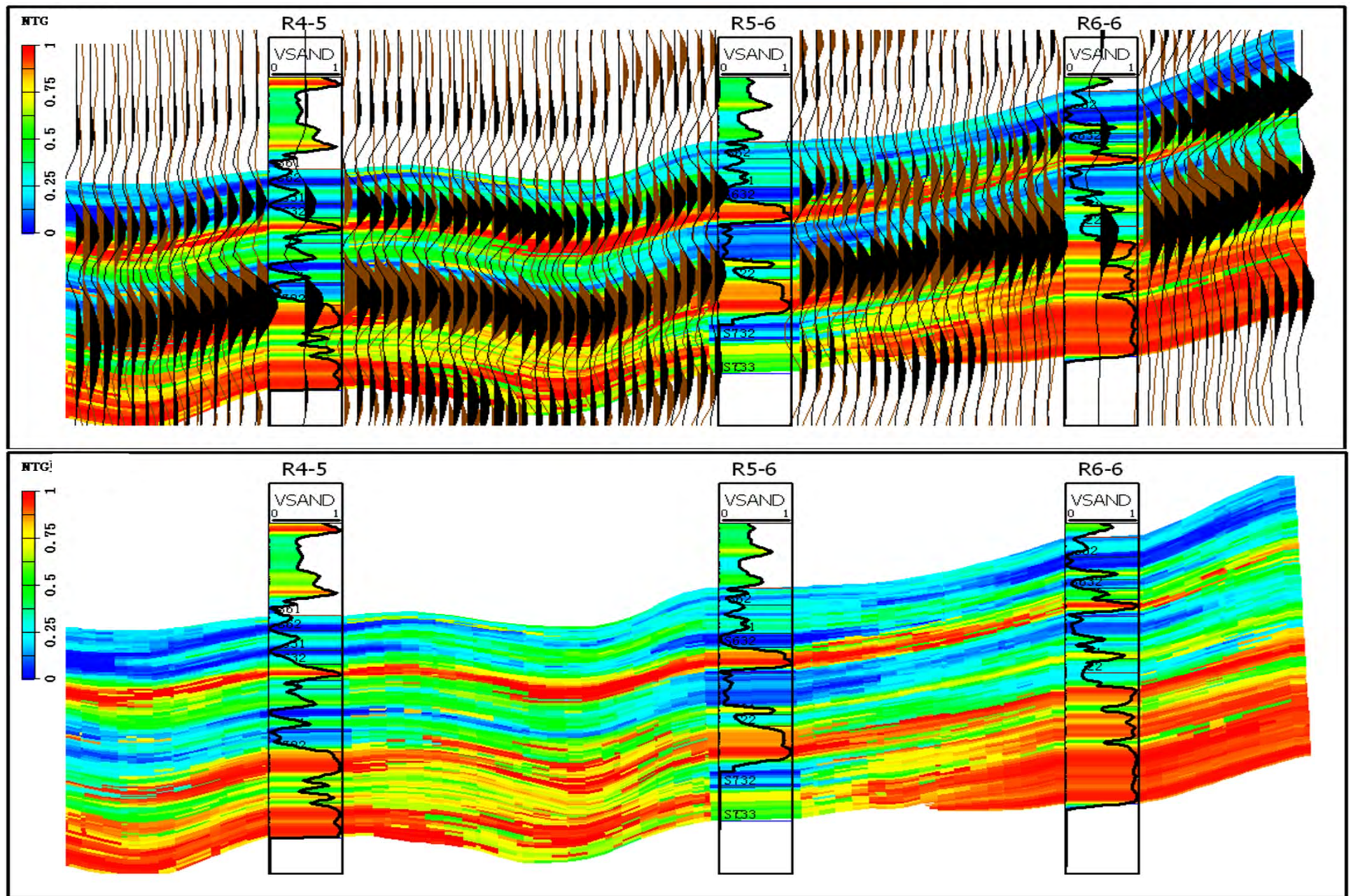
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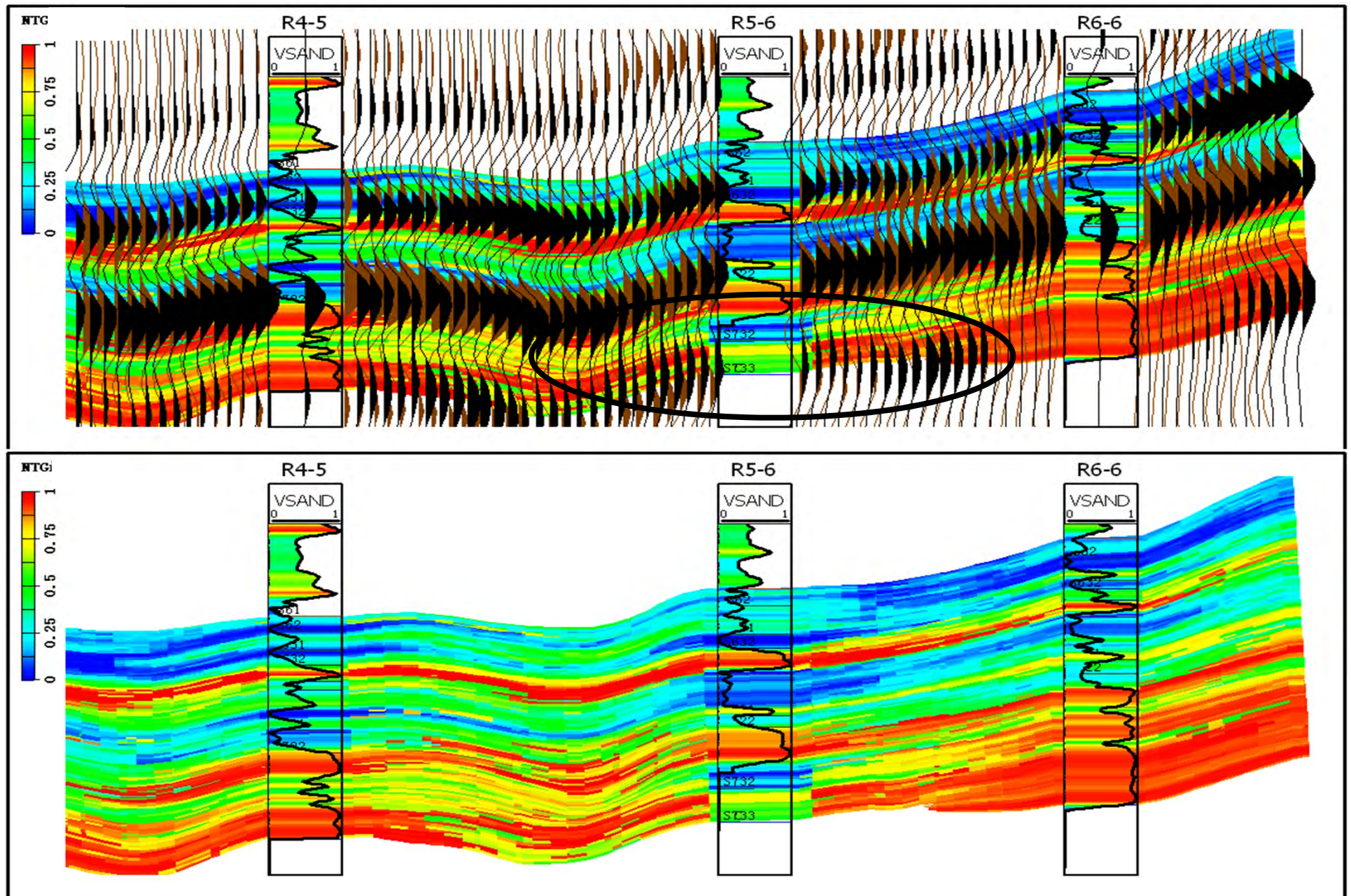


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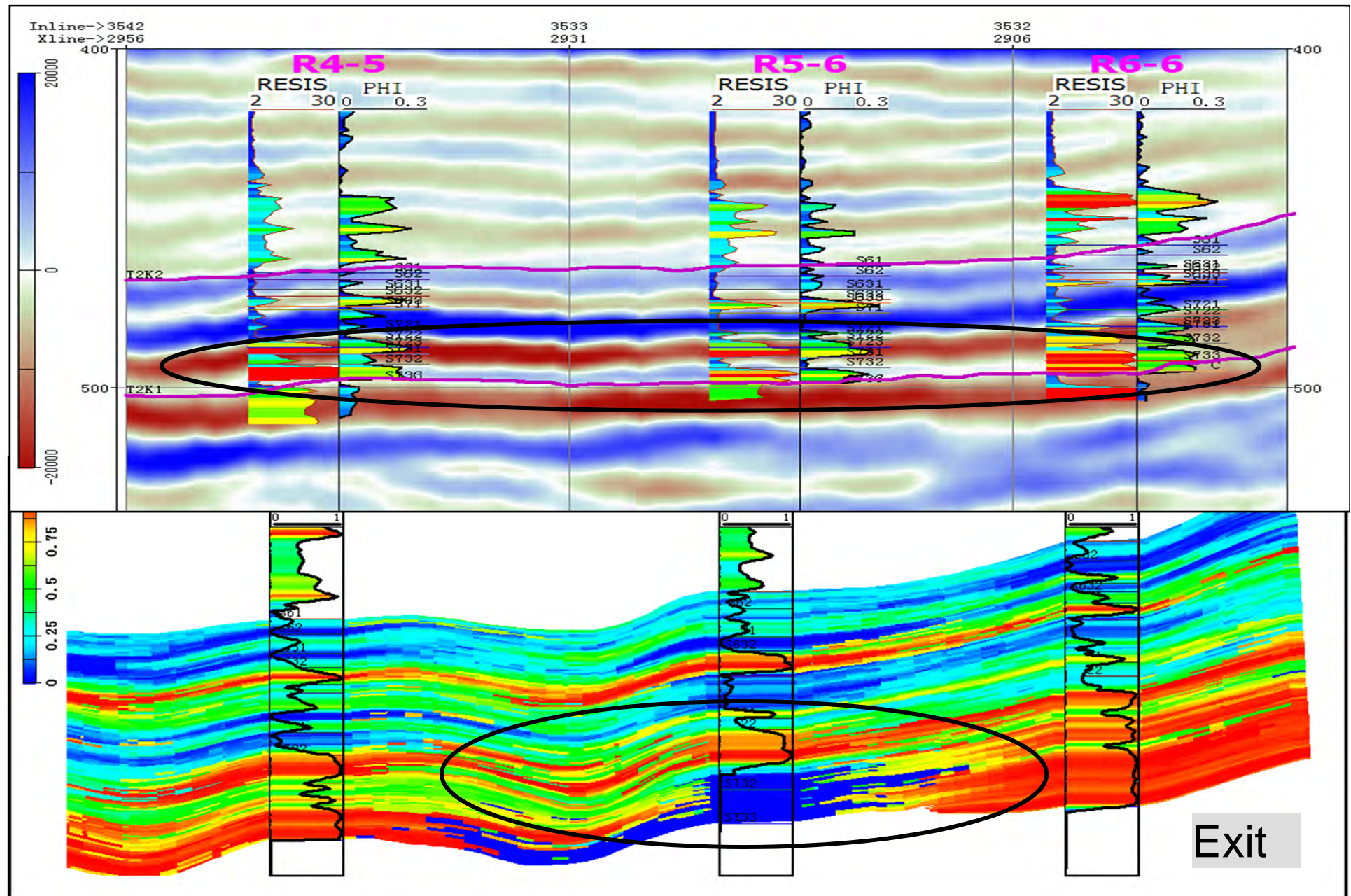


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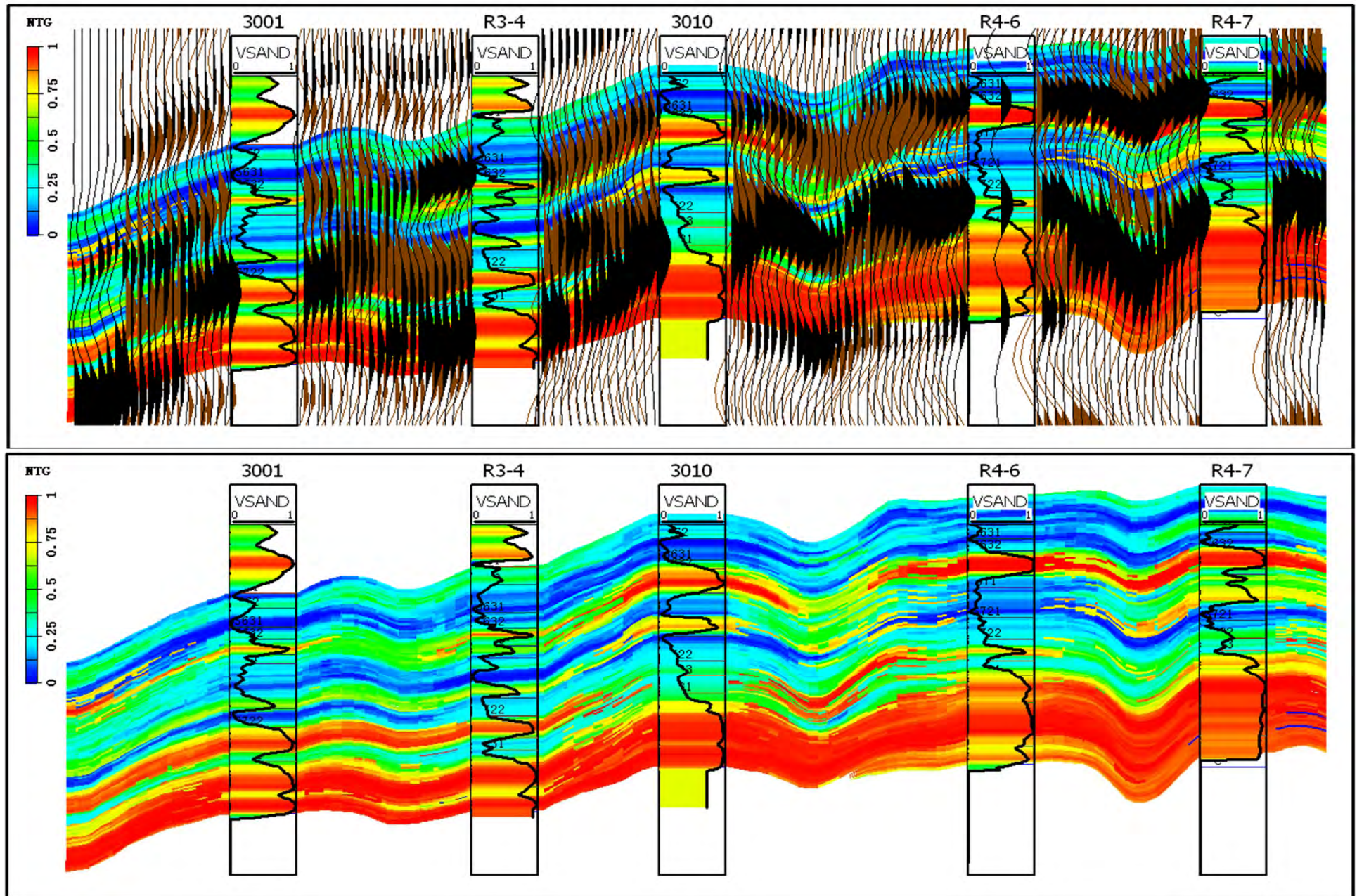


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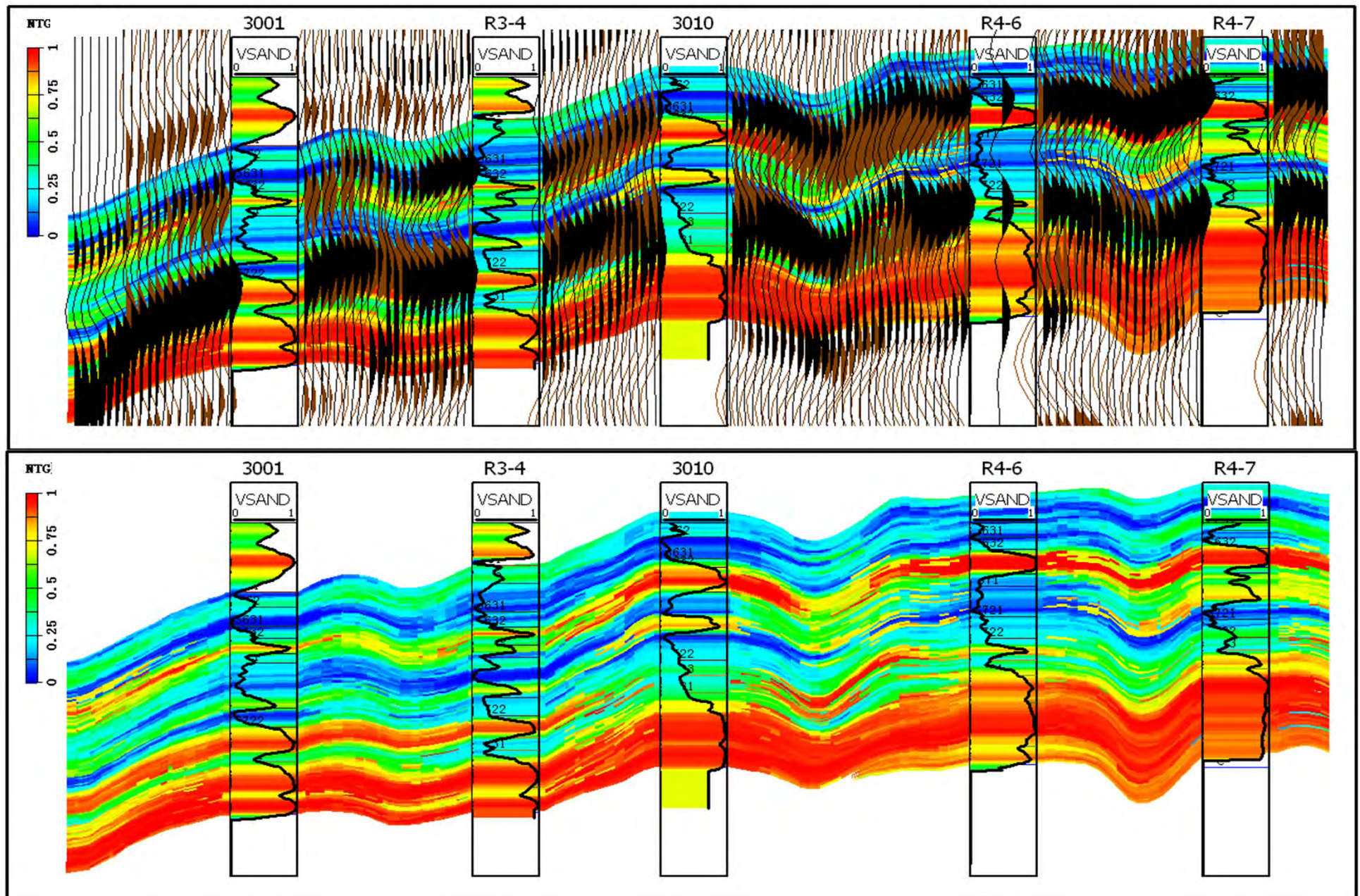


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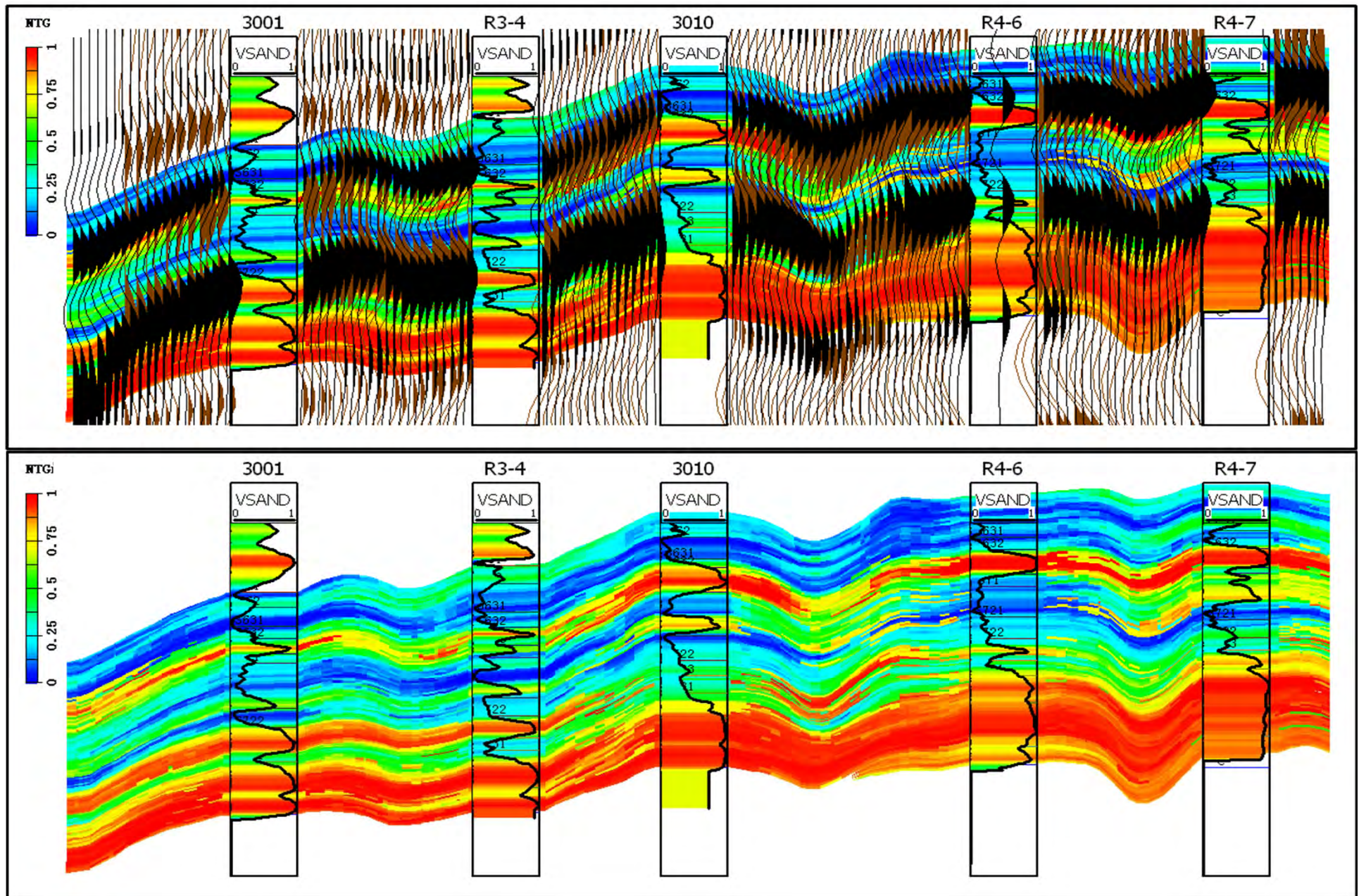


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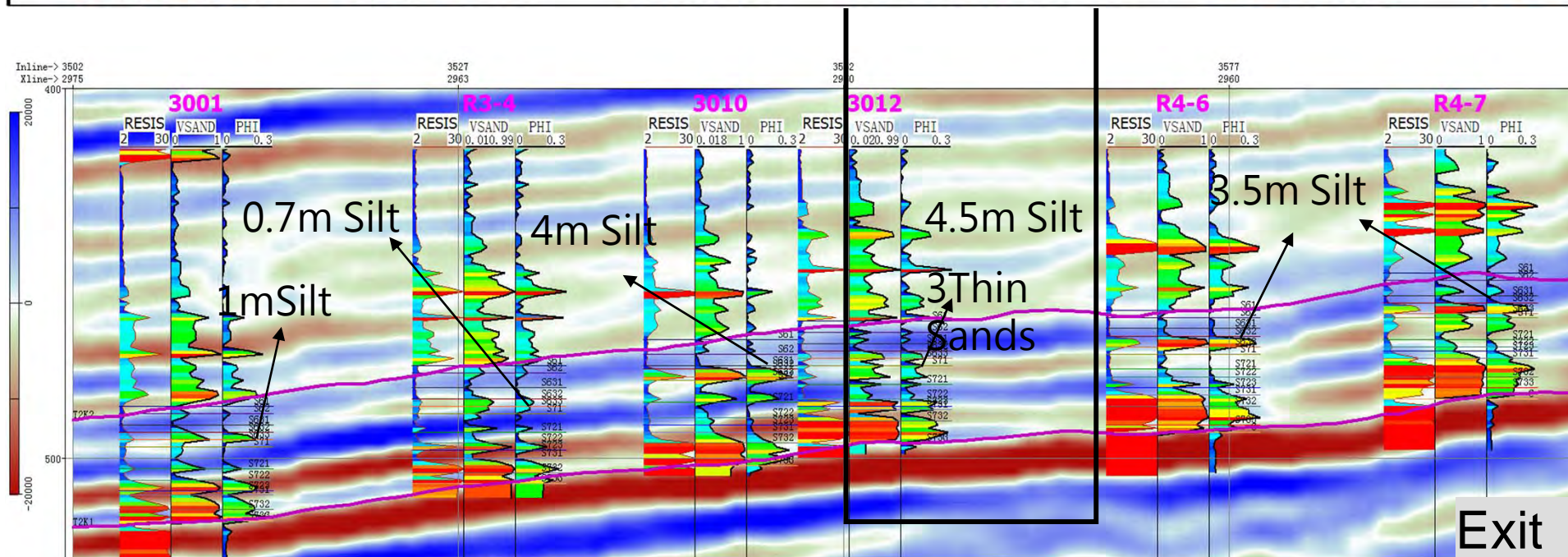
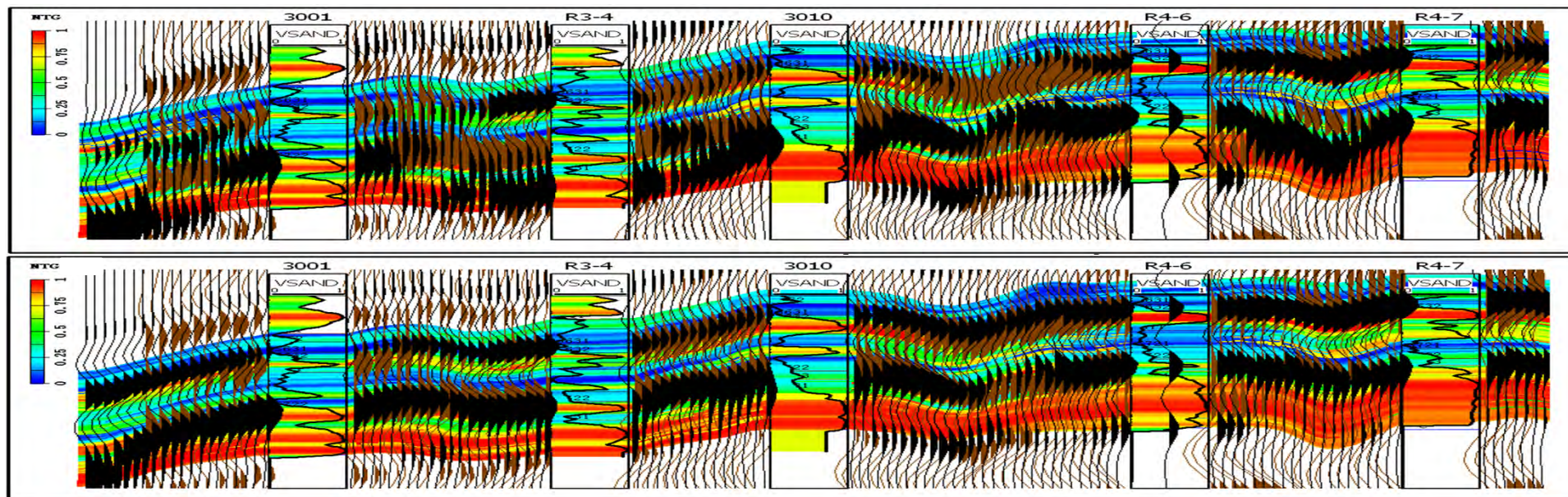


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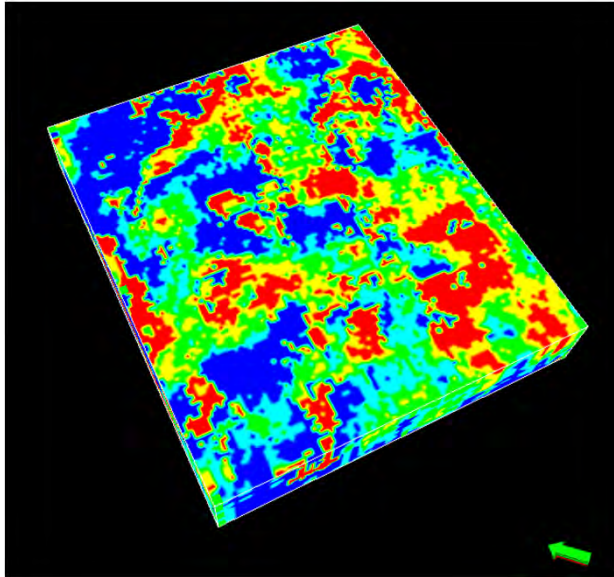
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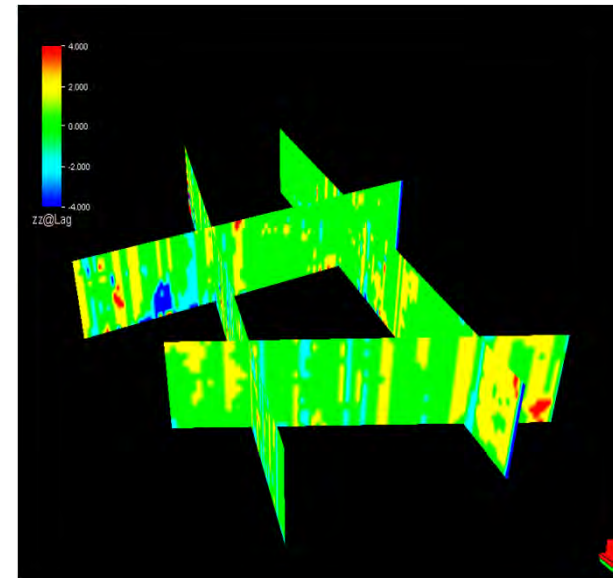
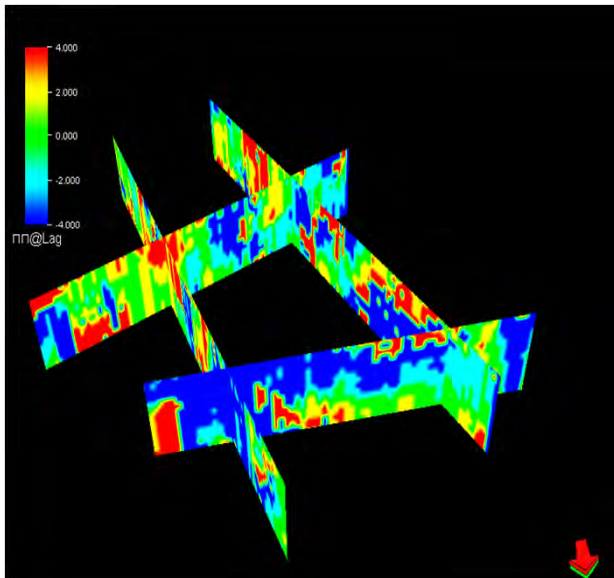
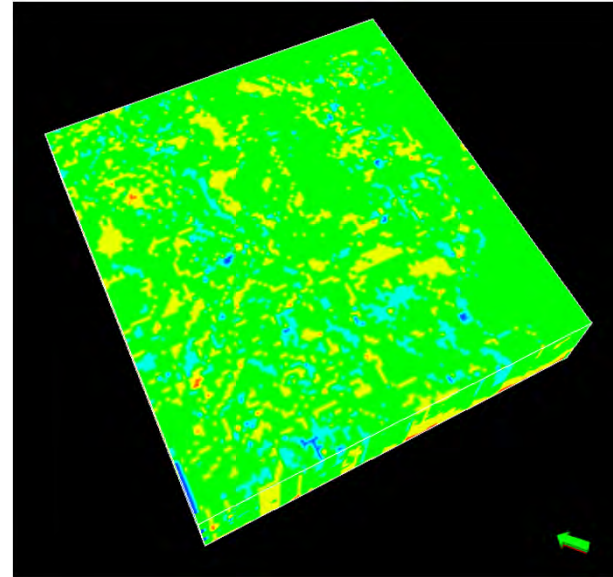


## Step 7: Comparison of before and after model update

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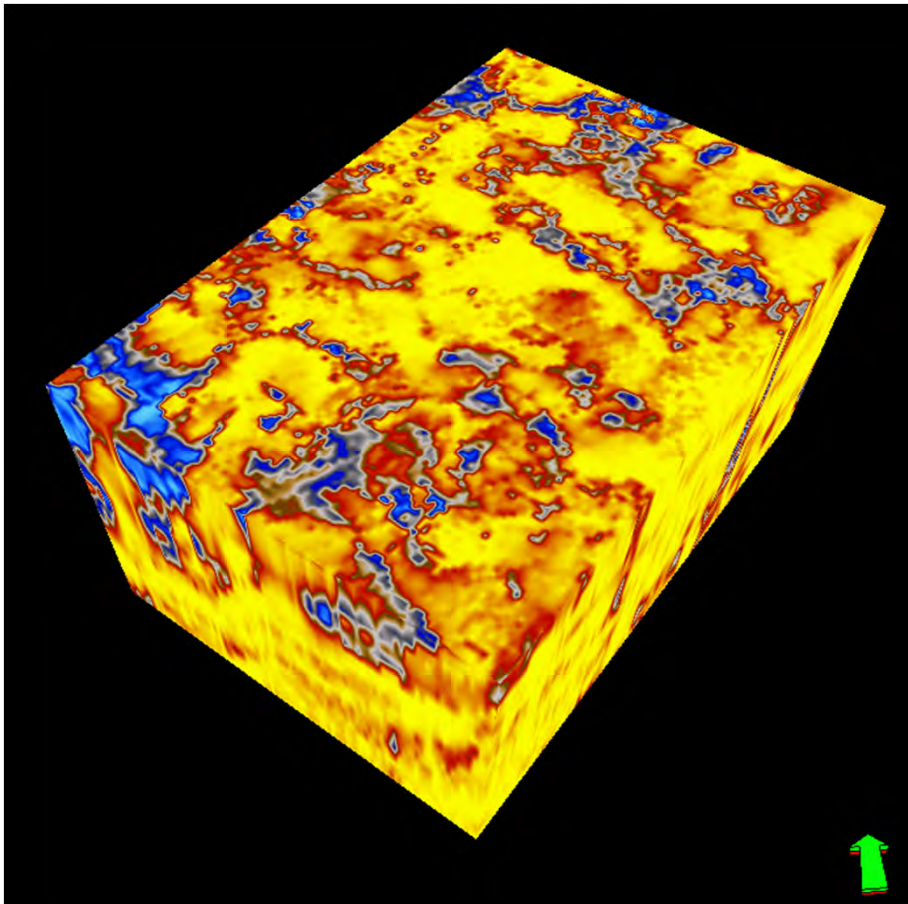


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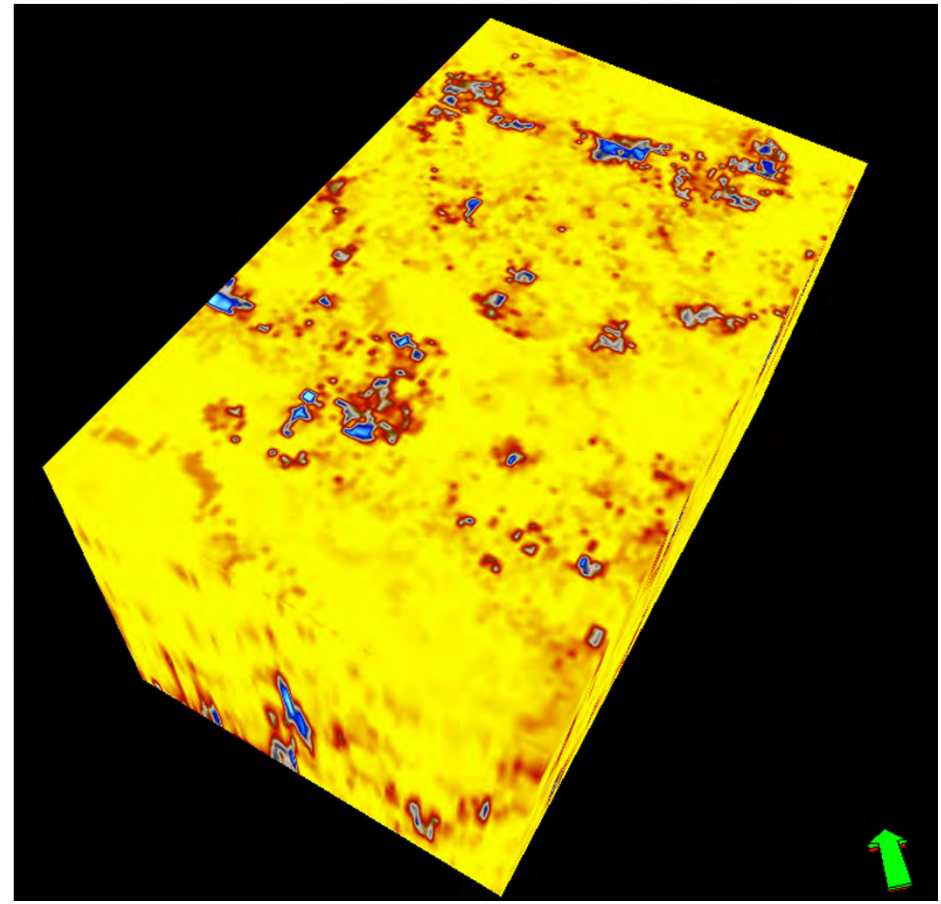


## Step 7: Comparison of before and after model update

Corr. Before

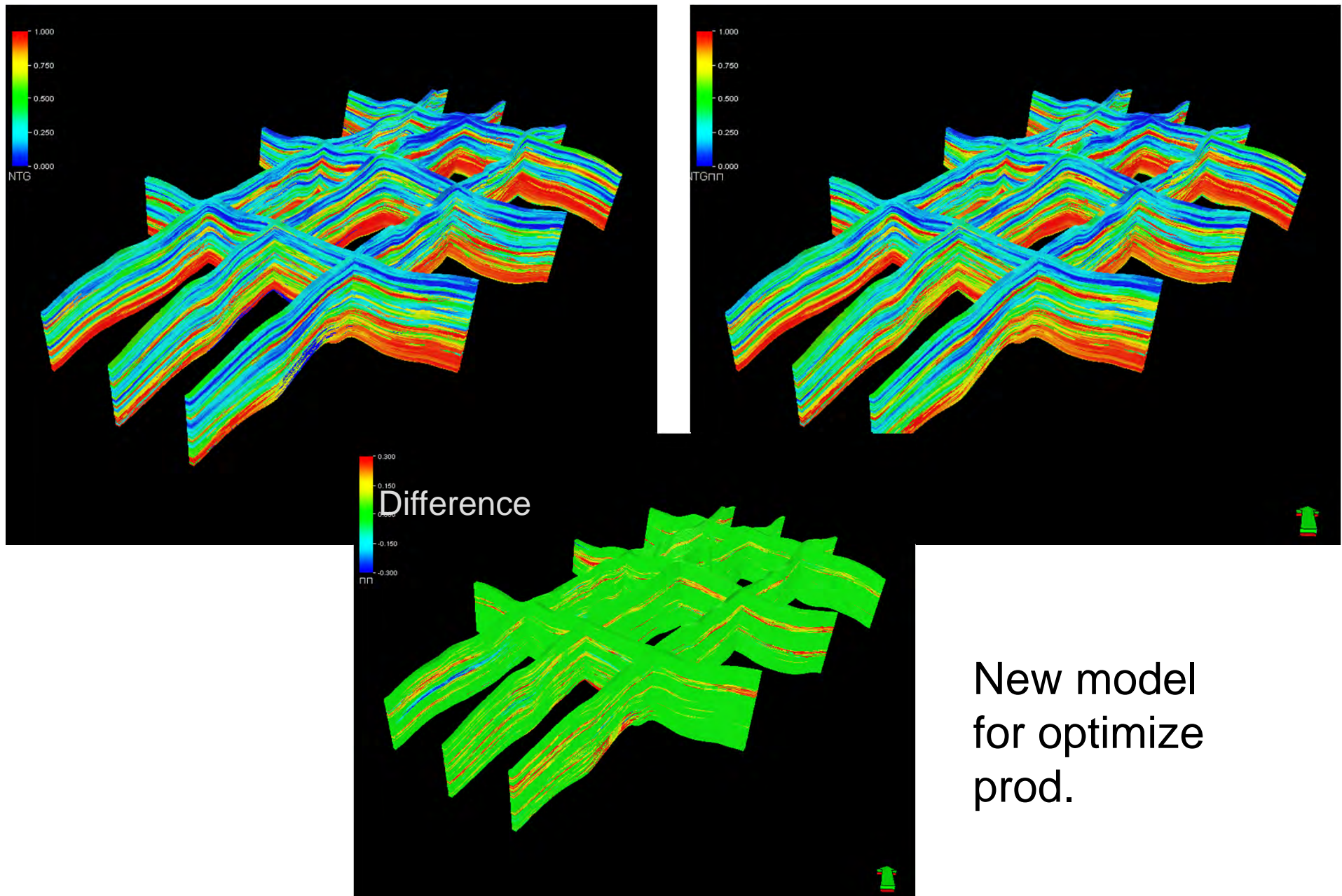


Corr. After





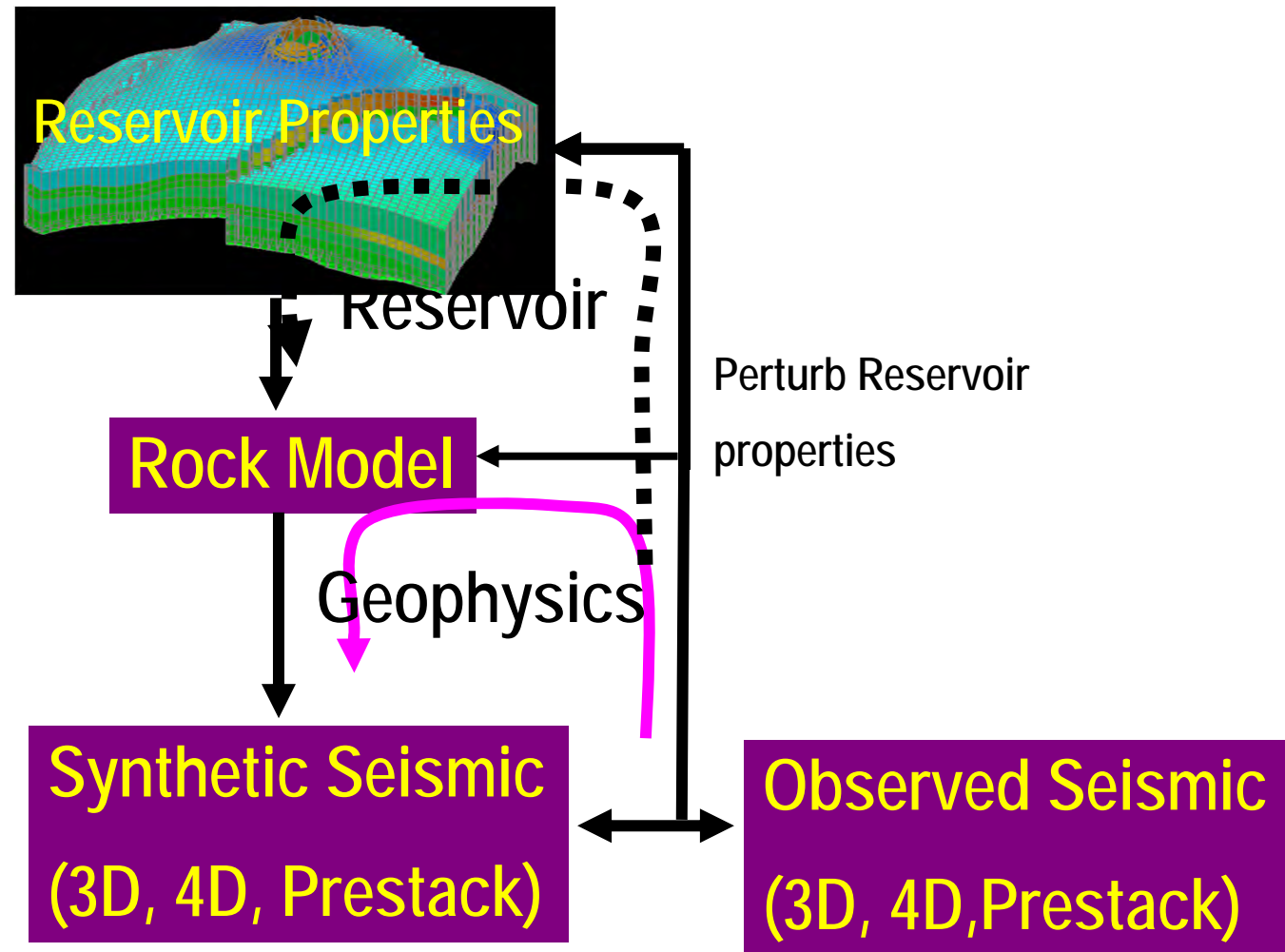
## Step 7: Comparison of before and after model update



## **Model-based “Close-the-Loop” example 3:**

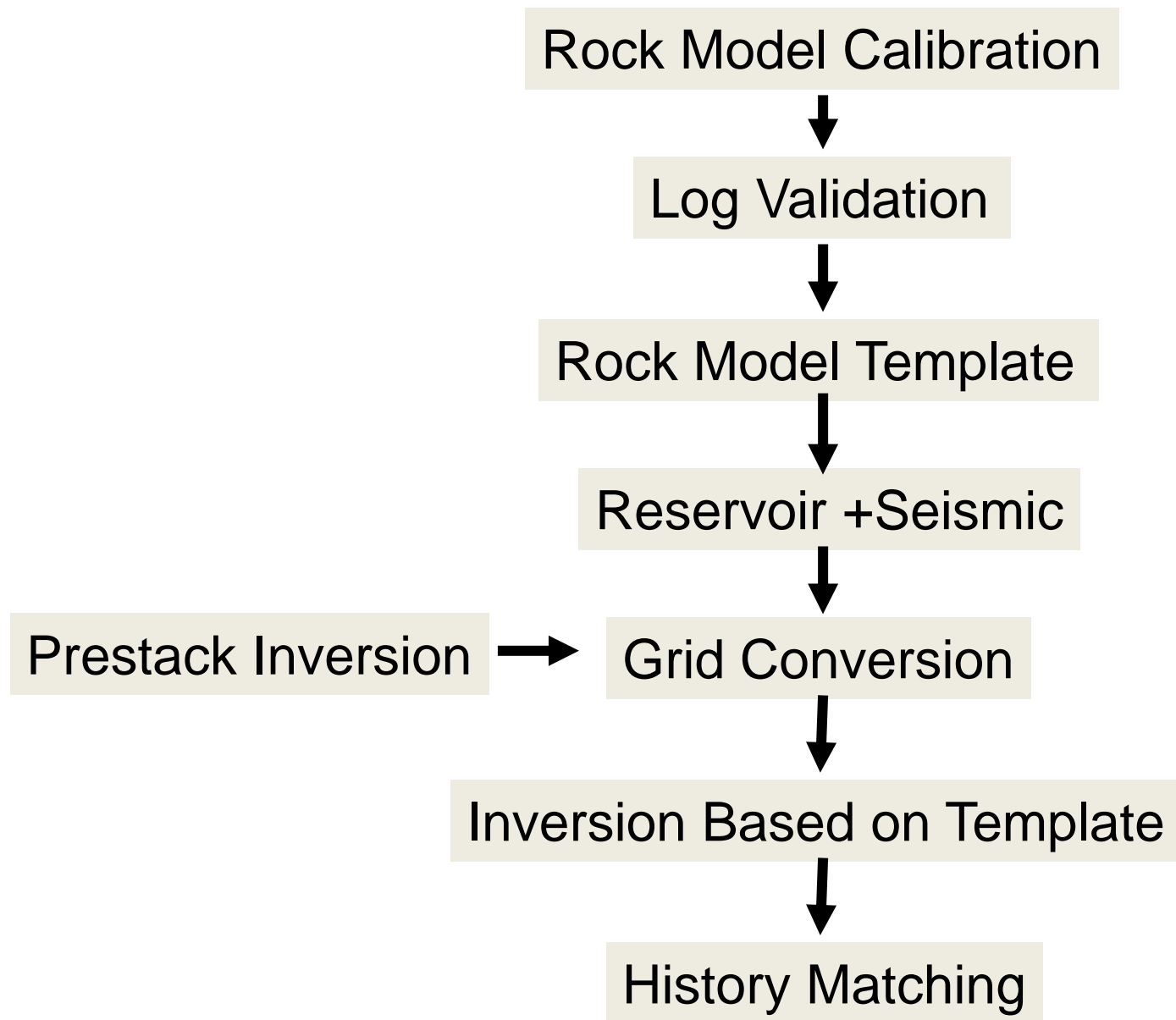


# Seismic Inversion in Reservoir Domain



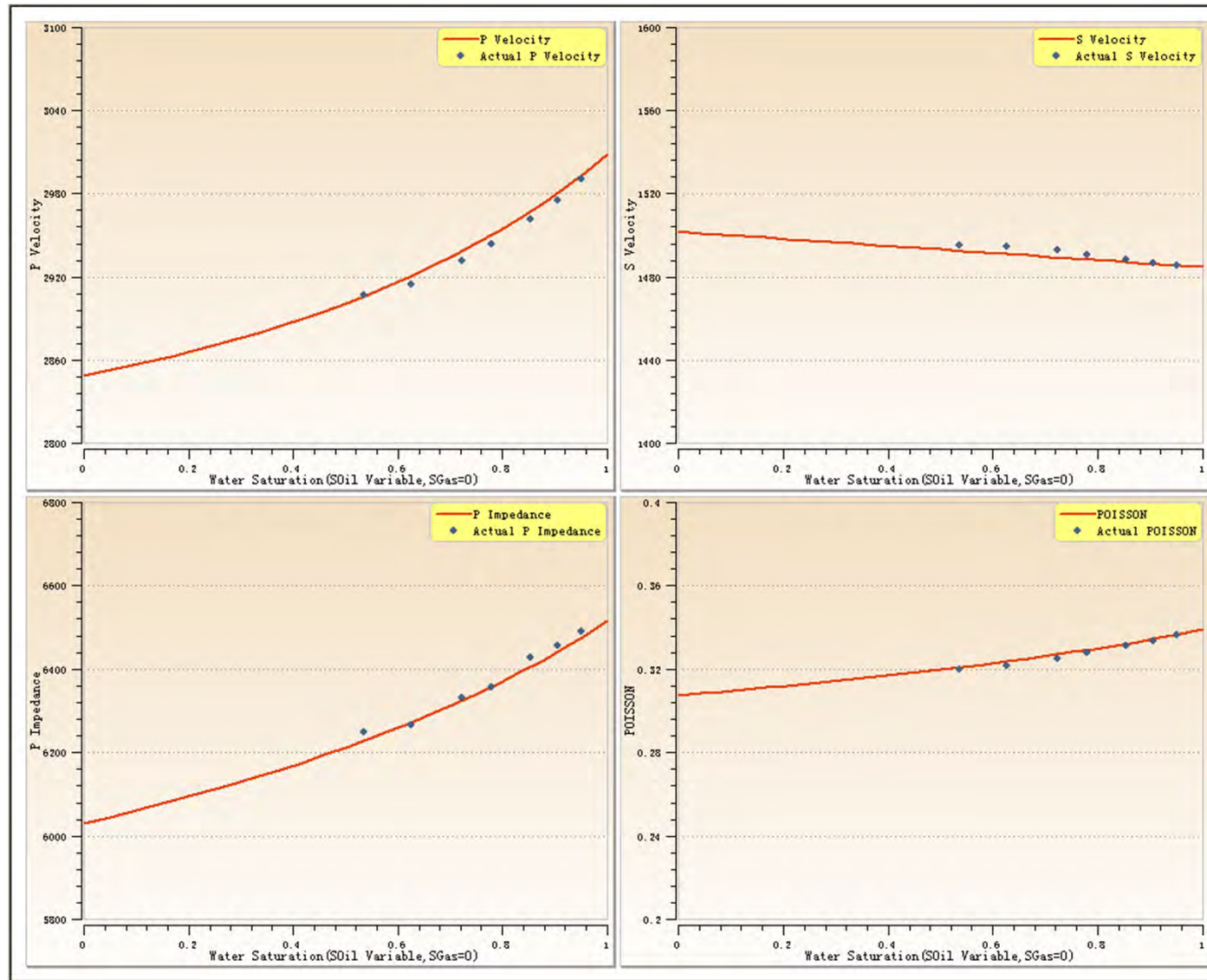
# Background

- Field: producing more than 40 years (1965)
- New 3D seismic acquired (2007)
- Reservoir model available
- Goal: fluid analysis, HM & model updating using existing data

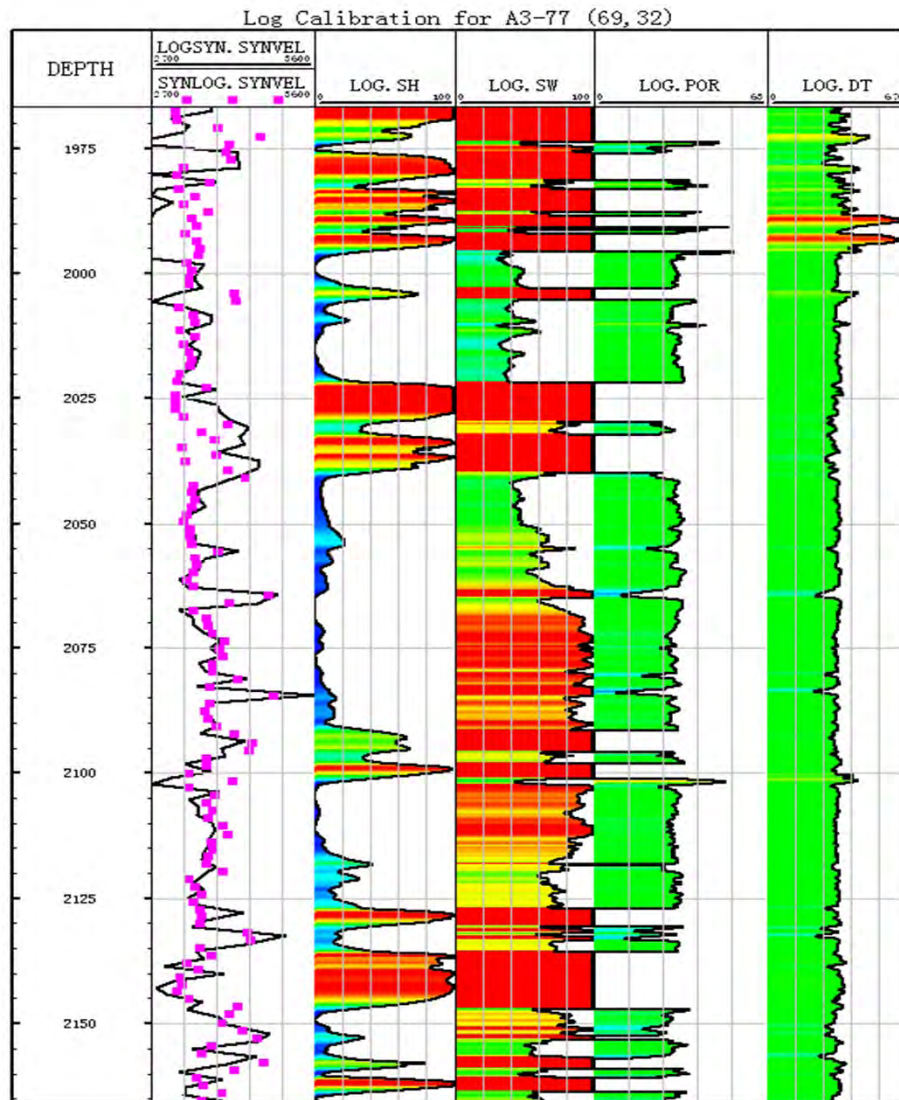




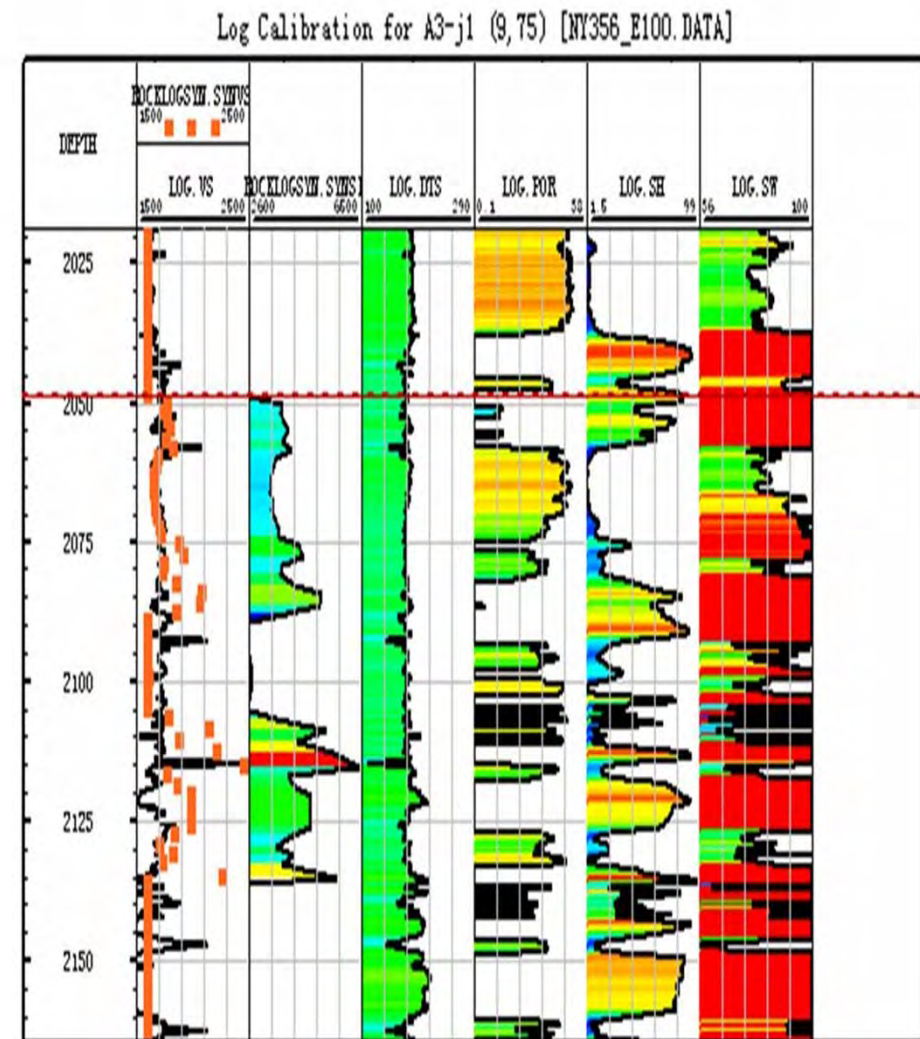
# Step1:Rock model Calibration



## Step 2: Well log synthetic using templates - Validation

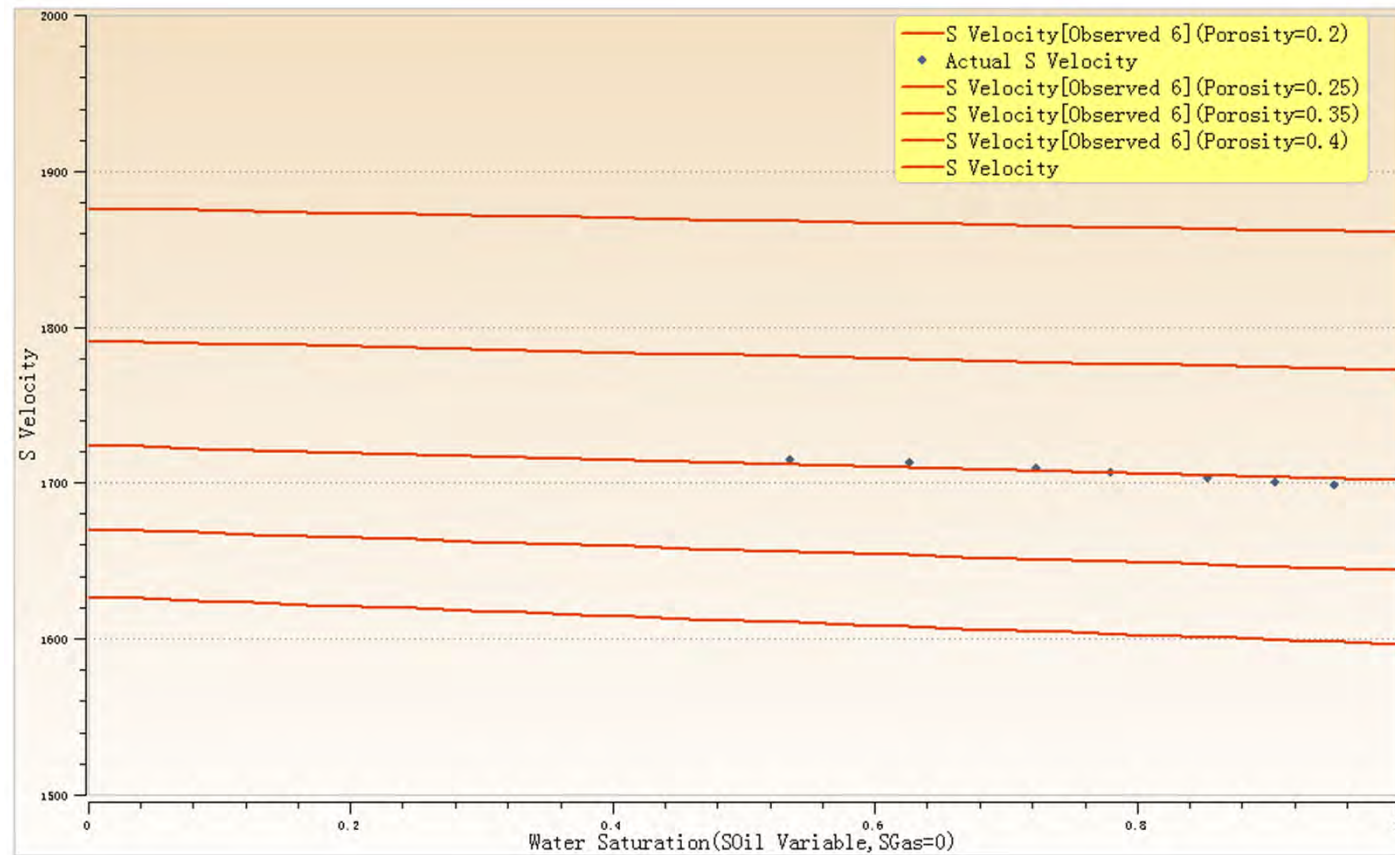


**VP: A3-77**



**VS: A3-j1**

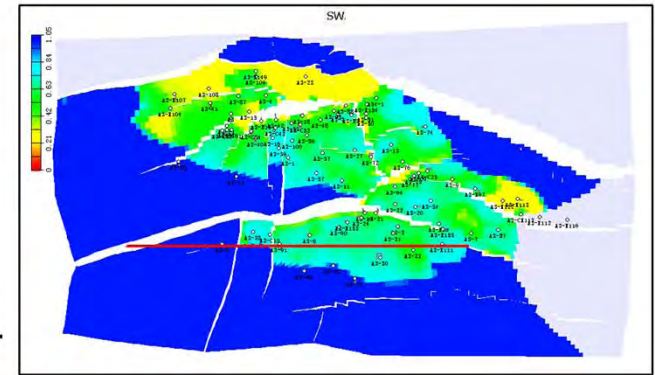
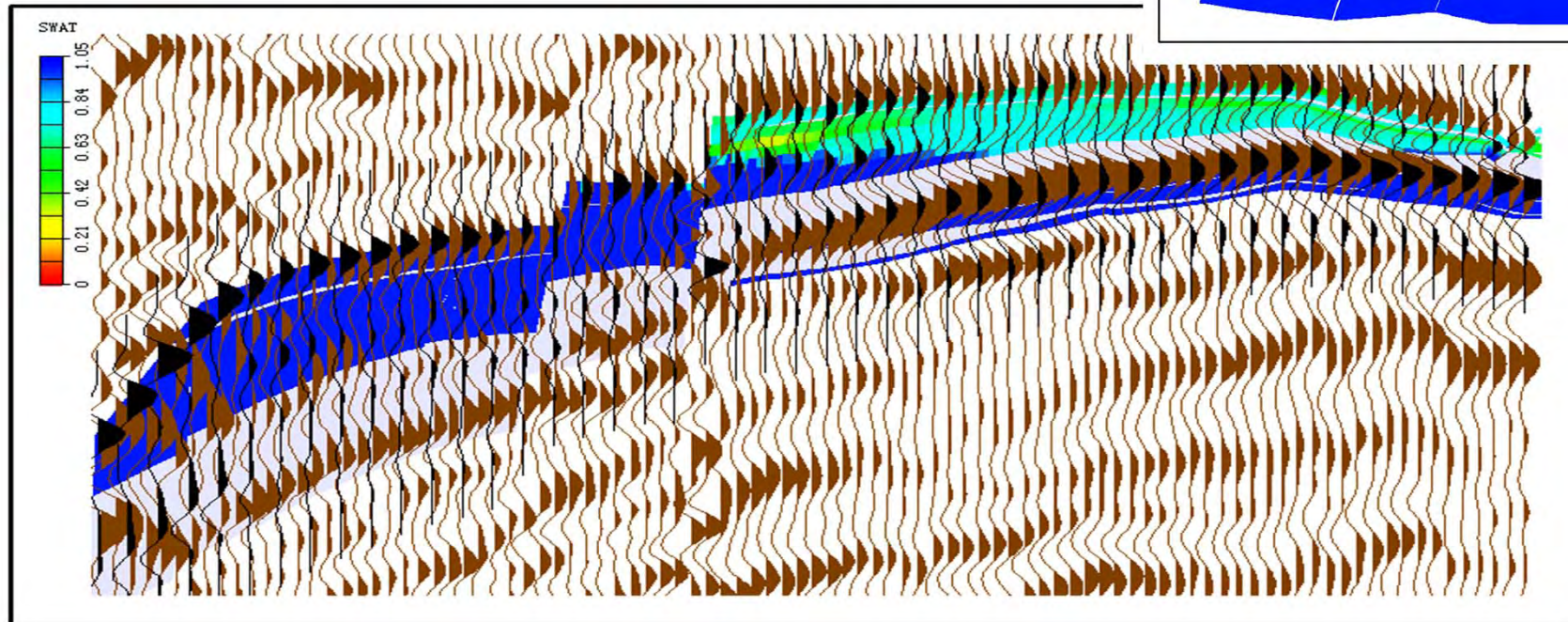
# Step 3: Rock model template



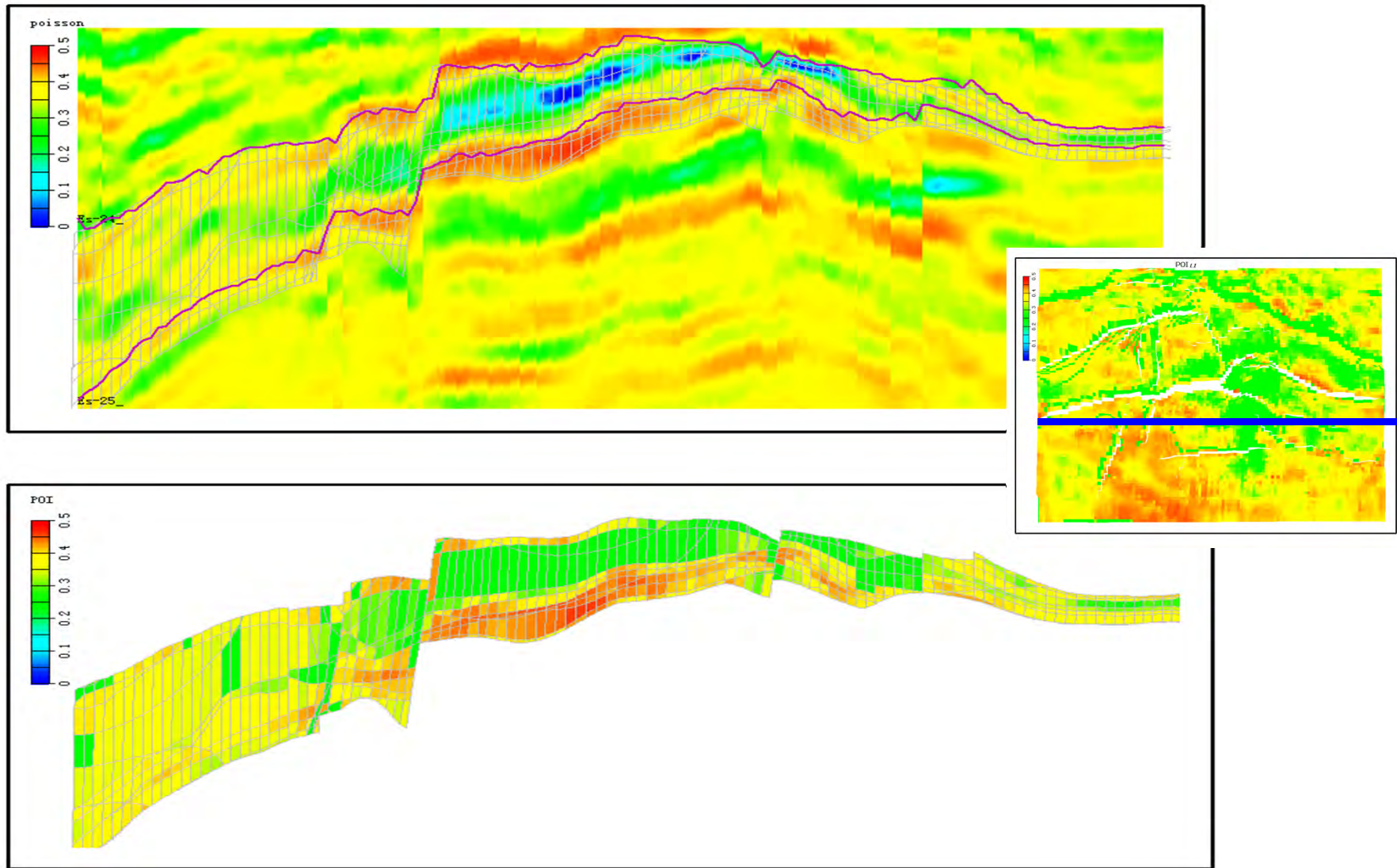


# Step 4: Seismic & Reservoir Analysis

**Sw-Seismic+synthetic tie**



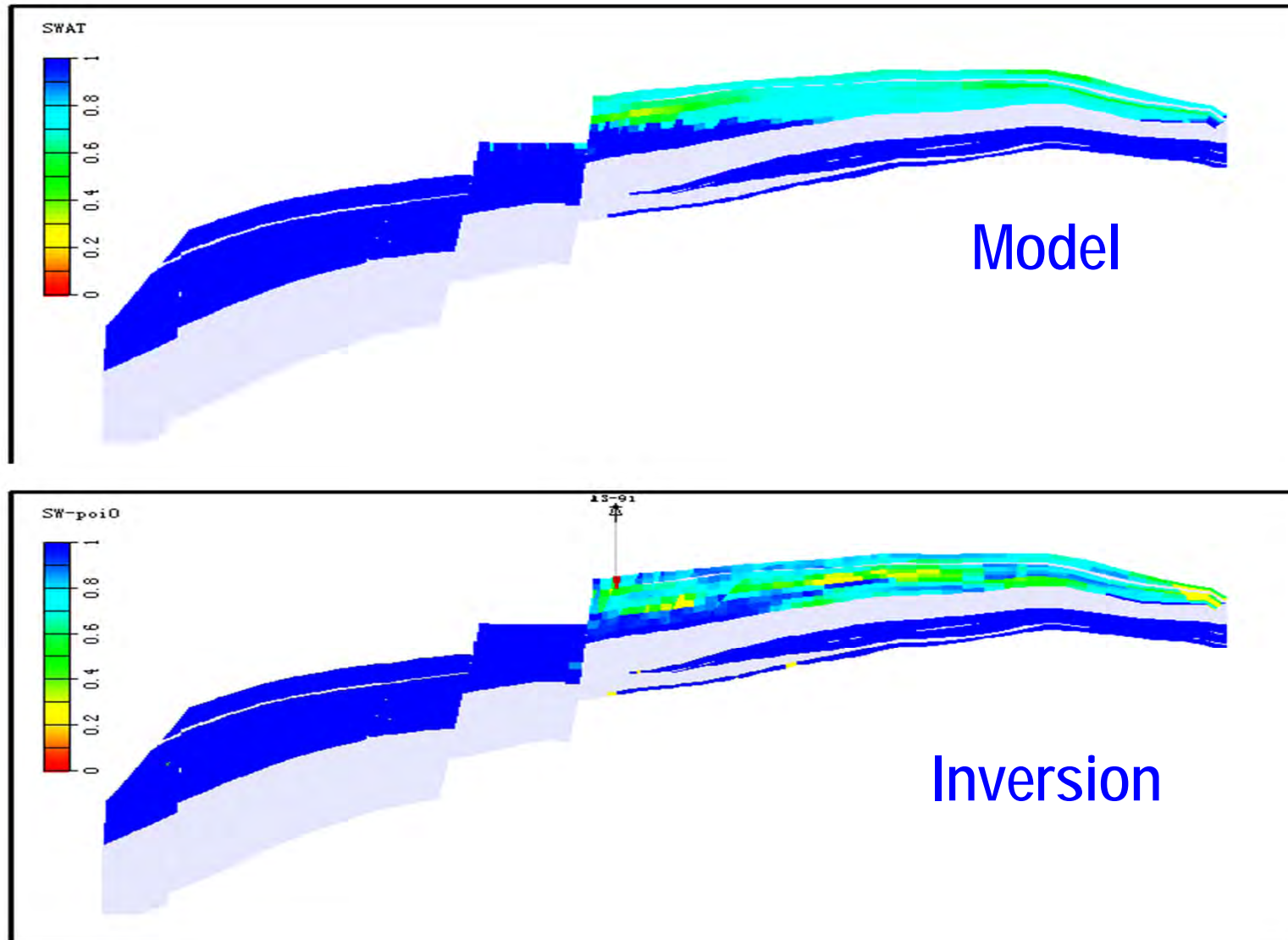
# Step 5: Grid Mapping



**Grid conversion for Poisson's ratio**



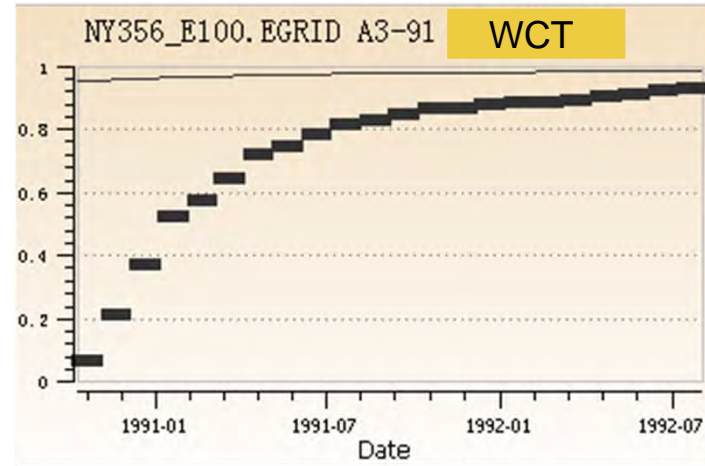
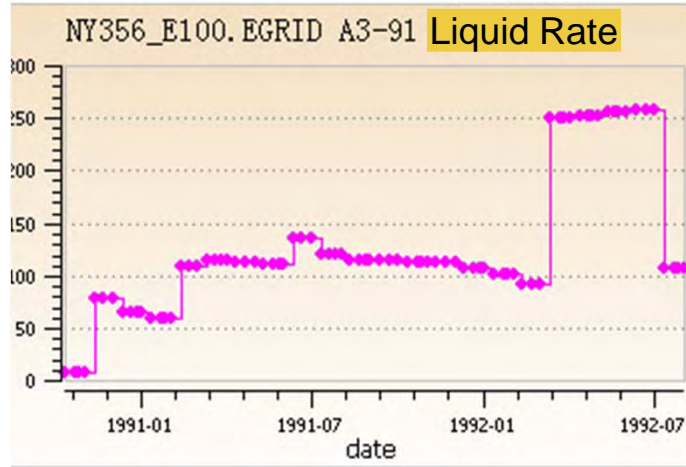
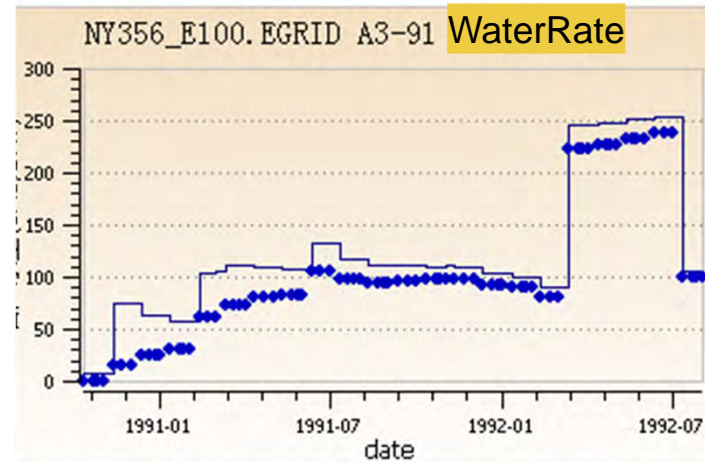
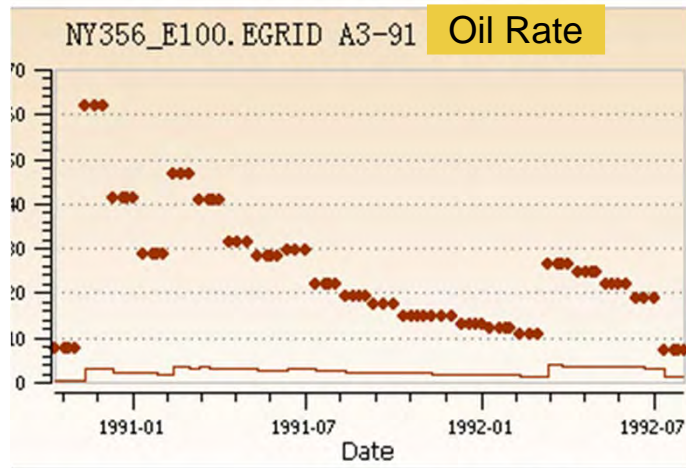
# Step 6: Template inversion



Sw inversion from Poisson's ratio

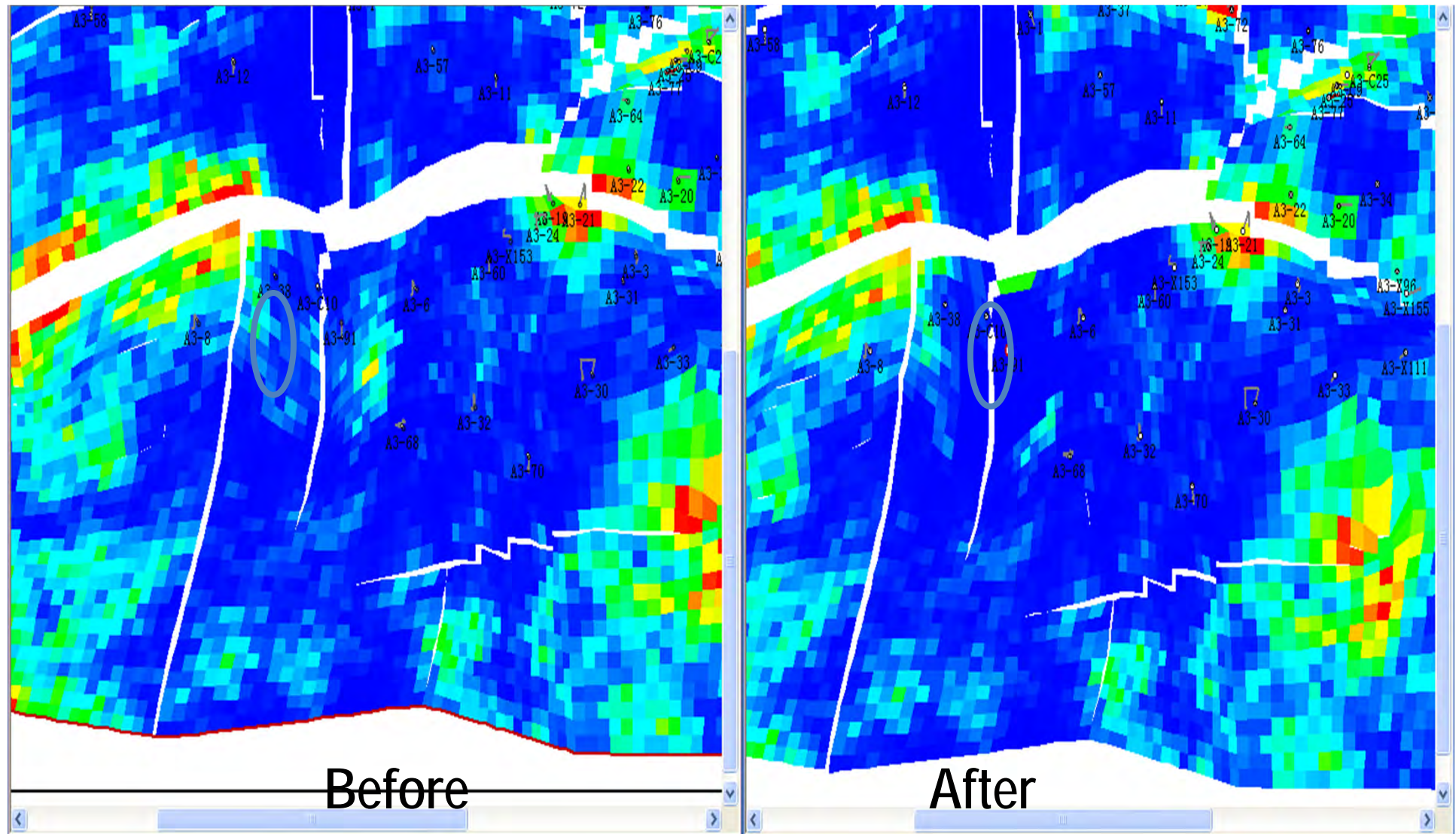


# Step 7: Seismic constrained HM



Water invasion earlier

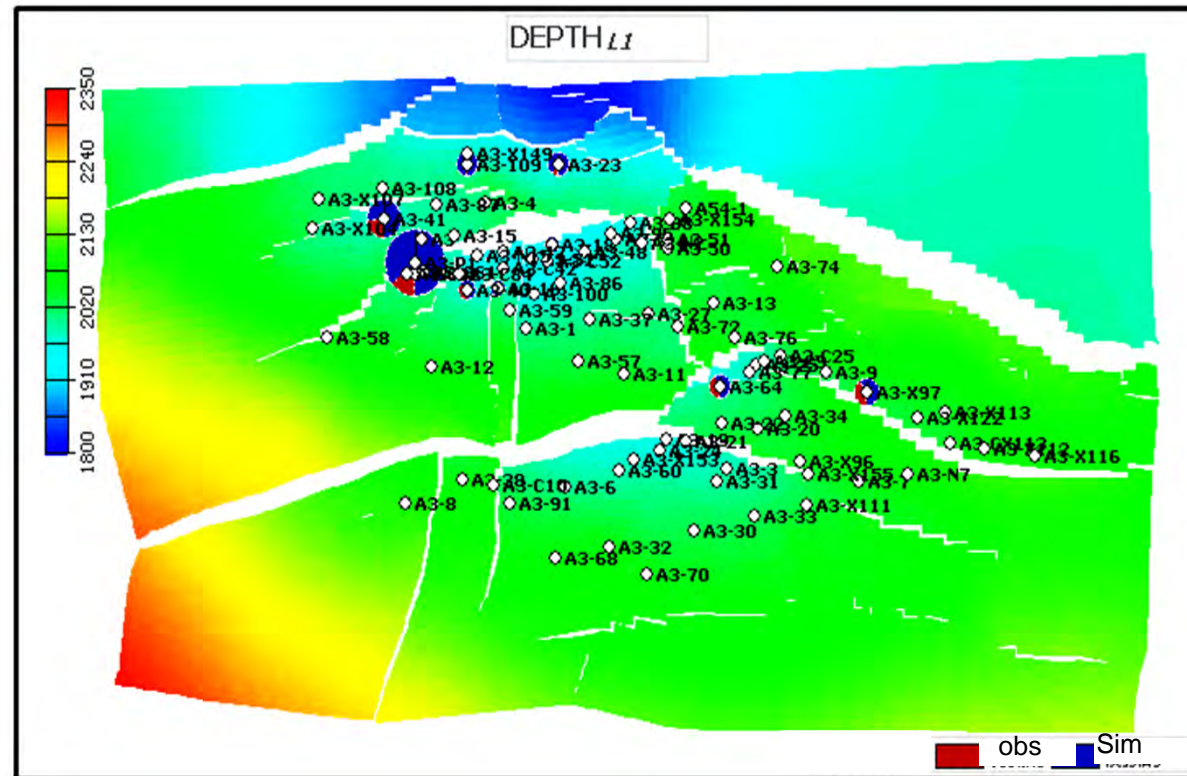
# Model Updating: Perm



## Perm – Layer 2

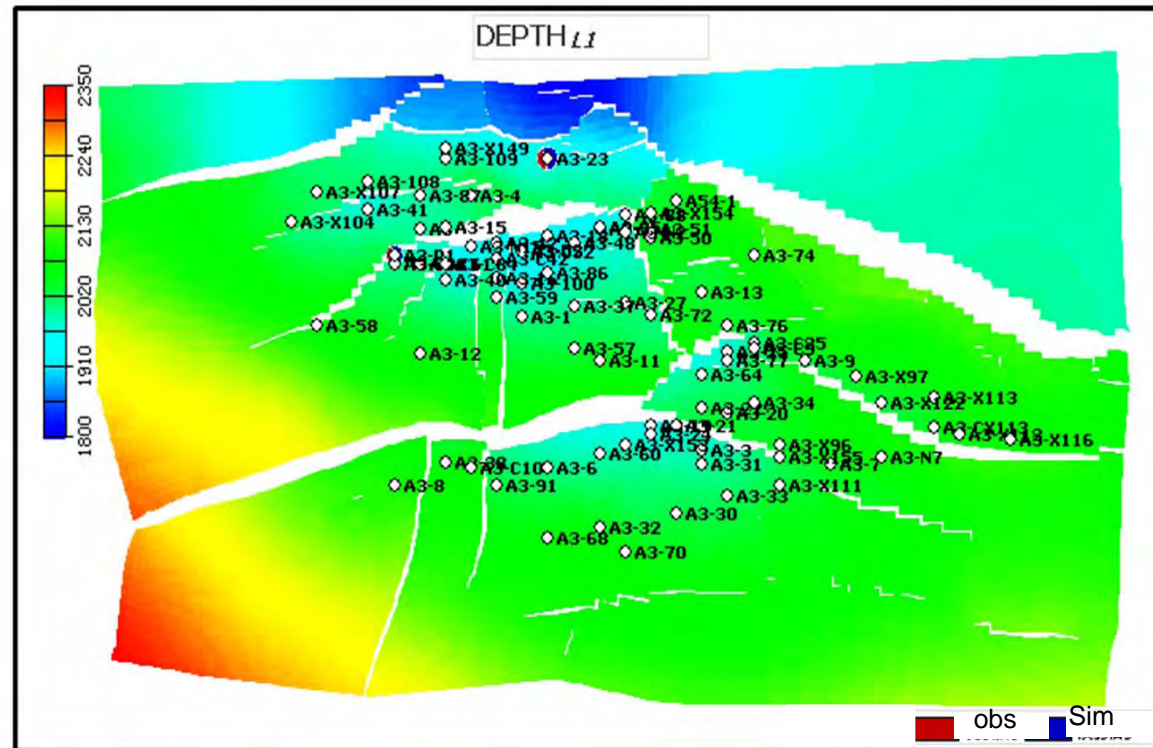


# HM - Before



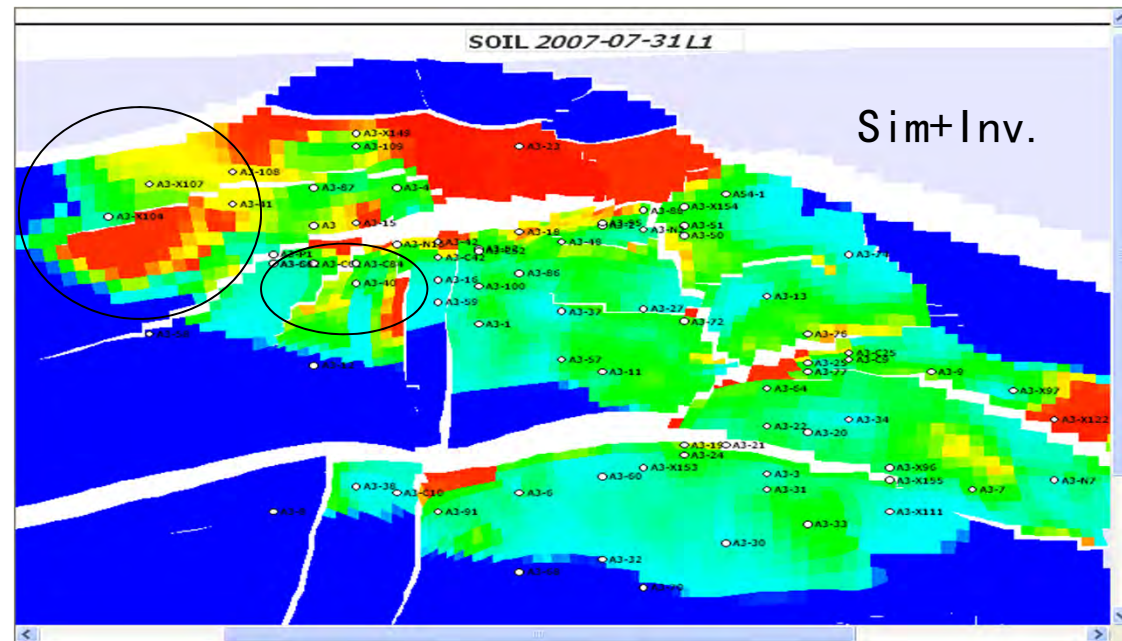
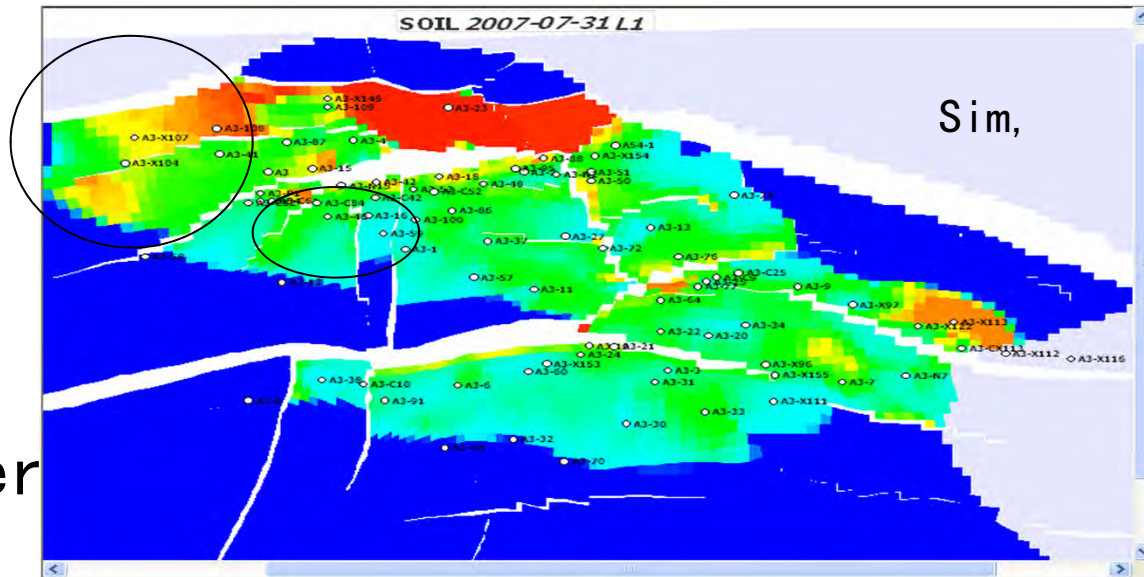


# HM - After

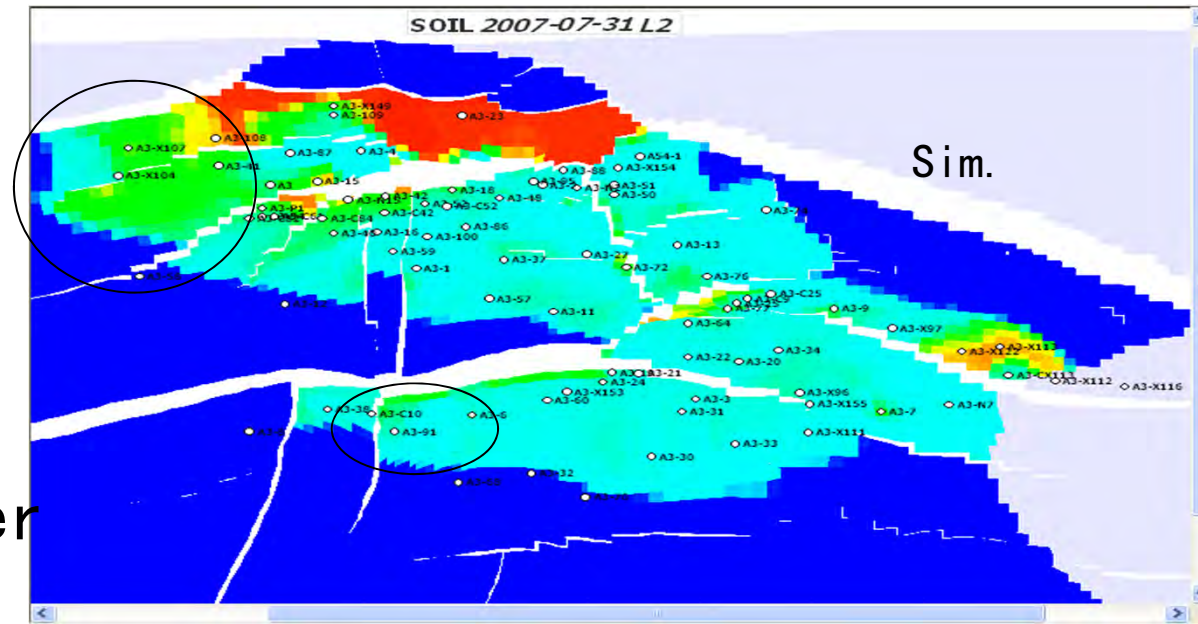


# Comparison

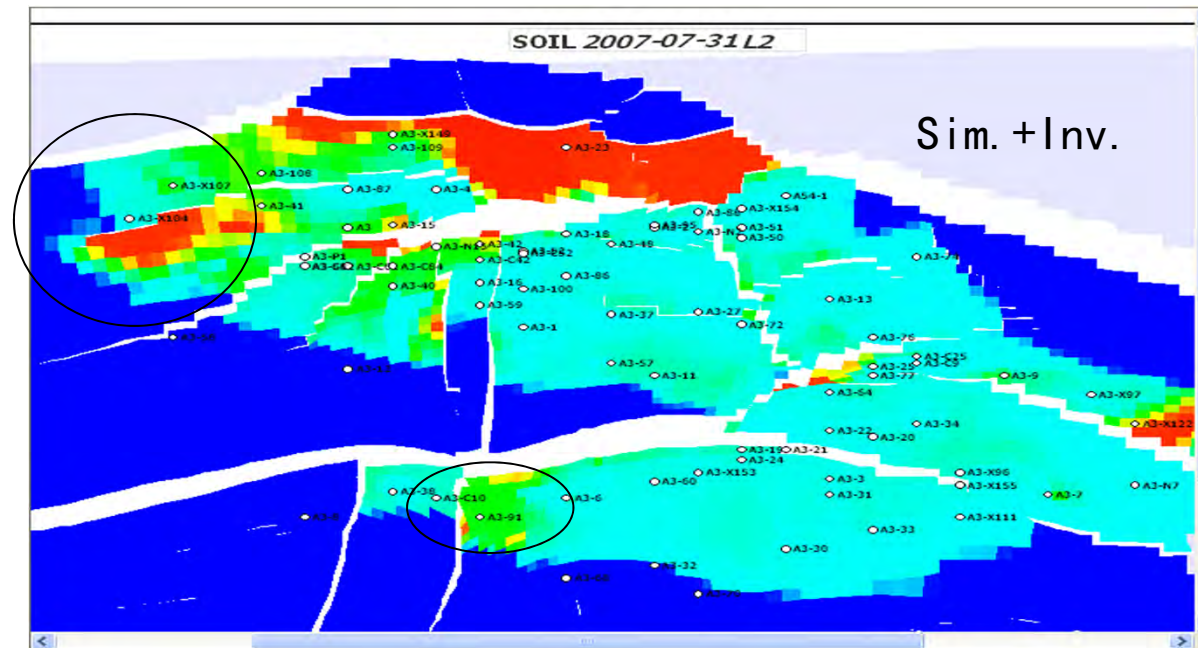
# Top Layer



# Comparison



# Lower Layer



Direct adjust  
using result.  
and where to  
adjust



# Optimization of Production

## Linearization of producer-injector relationship

$$\hat{q}_j(t) = \lambda_{0j} + \sum_{i=1}^I \lambda_{ij} i_i(t), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, N$$

$\lambda_{ij}$  the weighting or ‘connectivity’ factor between injector ‘ $i$ ’ and producer ‘ $j$ ’

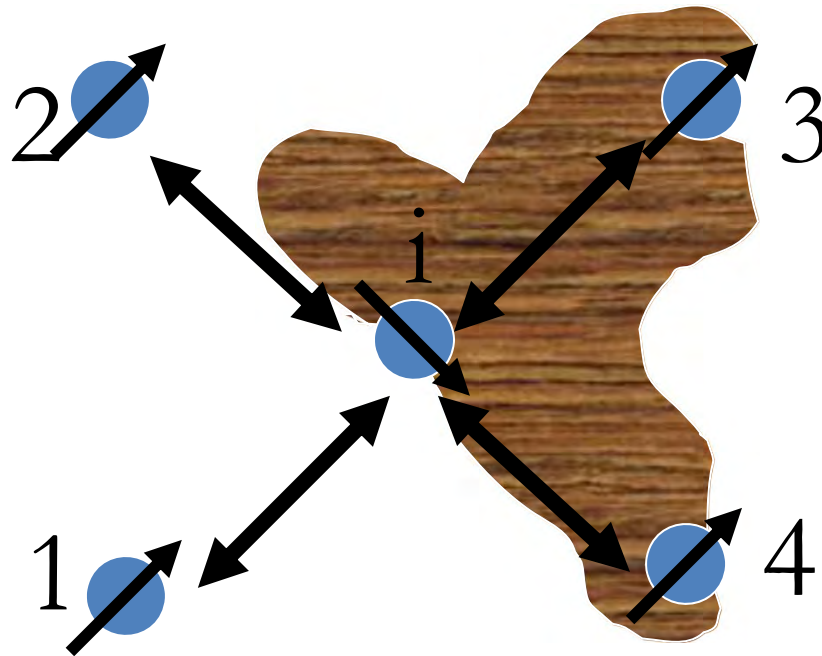
$\hat{q}_j$  modeled liquid production rate, RB/D

$i_i$  observed injection rate, RB/D

Albertoni (2002)

## Use of seismic for injector-producer relationship

- Method
  - Use seismic spatial attributes, such as time-lapse seismic difference
  - Calculate the relationship of injector-producer pairs
  - Use the relationship to constrain the weight factor determination (turns into a non-linear problem)



$$\lambda_{i3} > \lambda_{i4} > \lambda_{i2}, \lambda_{i1}$$



# Optimization of waterflooding

- Procedure for optimization

$Q = \lambda I$     Given  $Q, I \rightarrow \lambda$     Connectivity Computing

$Q = \lambda I$     Given  $\lambda$ , Perturb  $I \rightarrow$  Maximizing  $Q$

Single well water-cut fitting with power law

Perturb injection rate for injectors

Computing  $Q_o$      $Q_o = Q_i(t) * [1 - Wct(t)]$

Objective function evaluation -  $\max(\sum_{i=1}^N Q_{oi})$

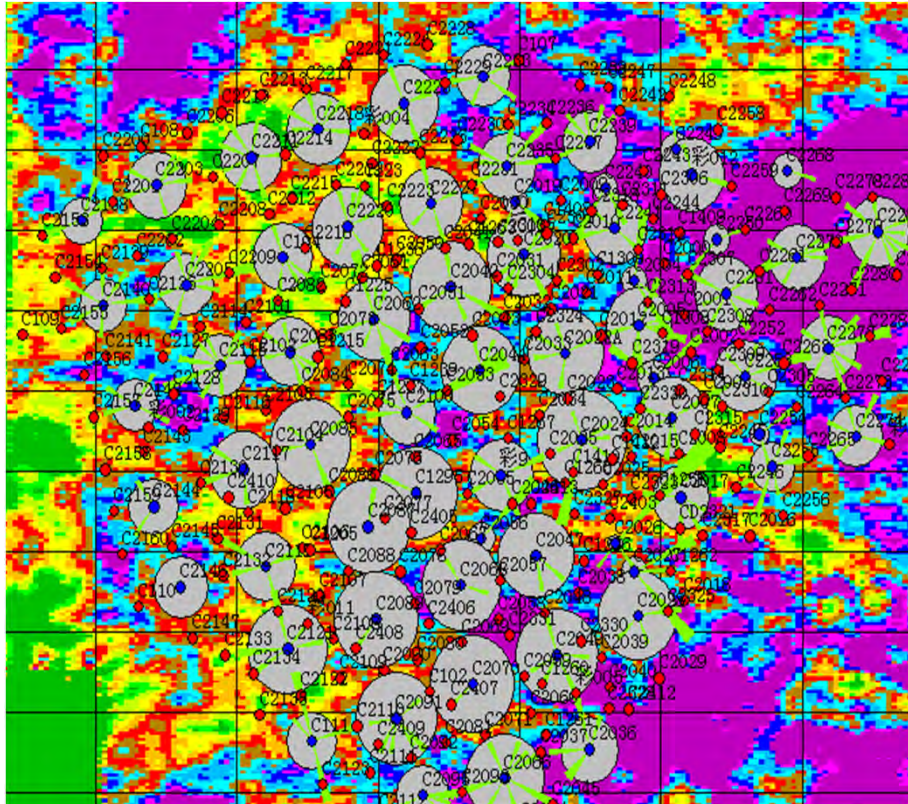
Not converged

Optimized

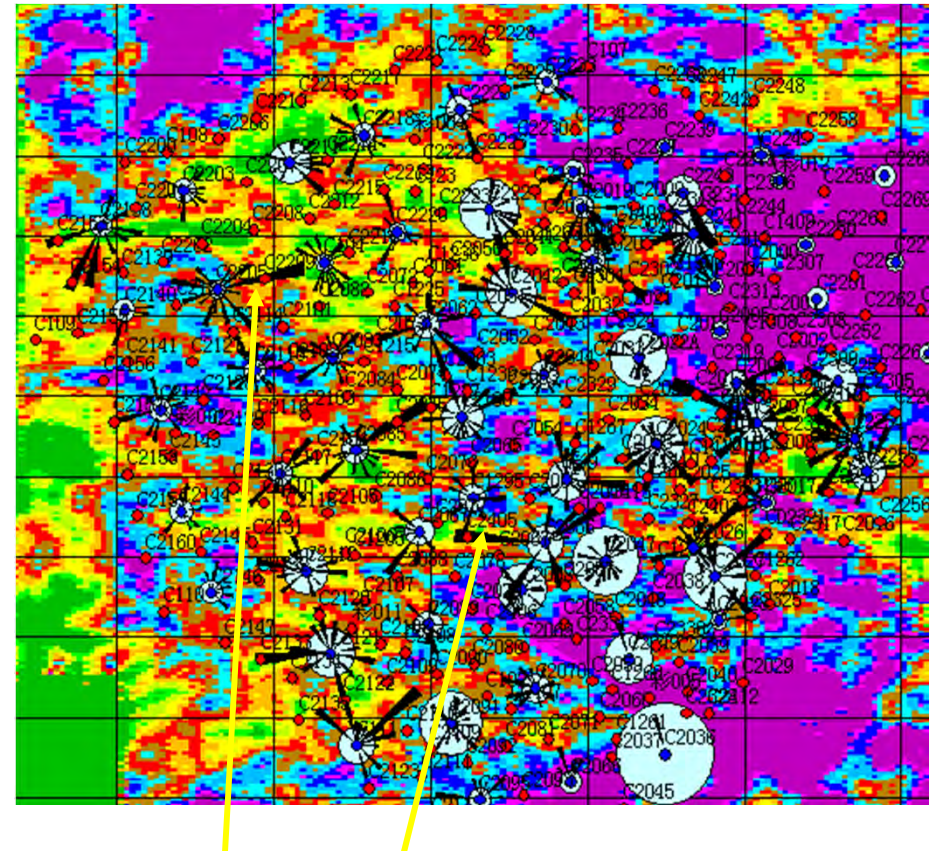
# A case study

Difference from 1990, 2001 legacy surveys after reprocessing

Pattern before optimization

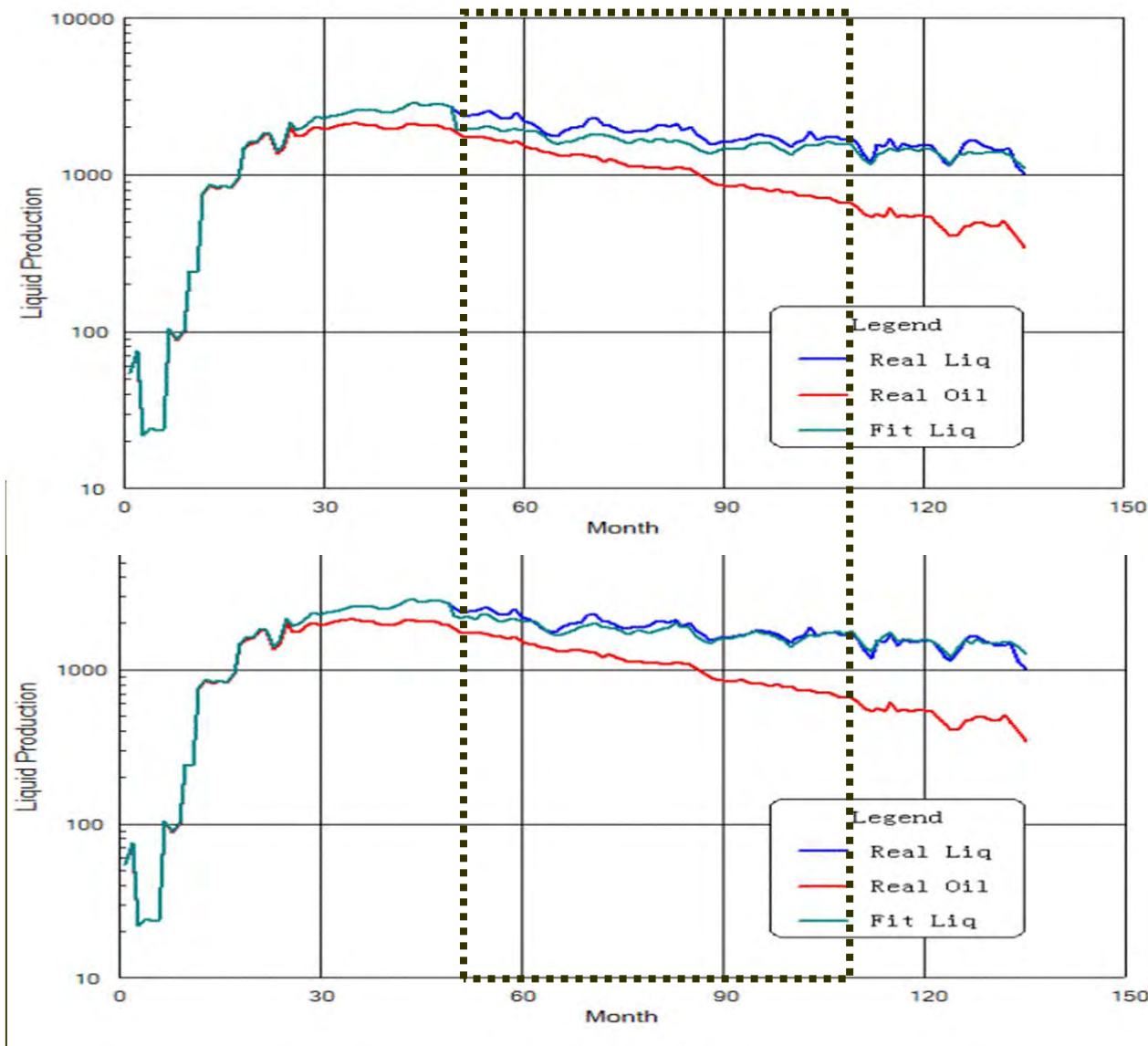


Pattern after optimization



Optimization generates a new injection rate distribution by constraining the process using the seismic difference attribute.

- Production history matching



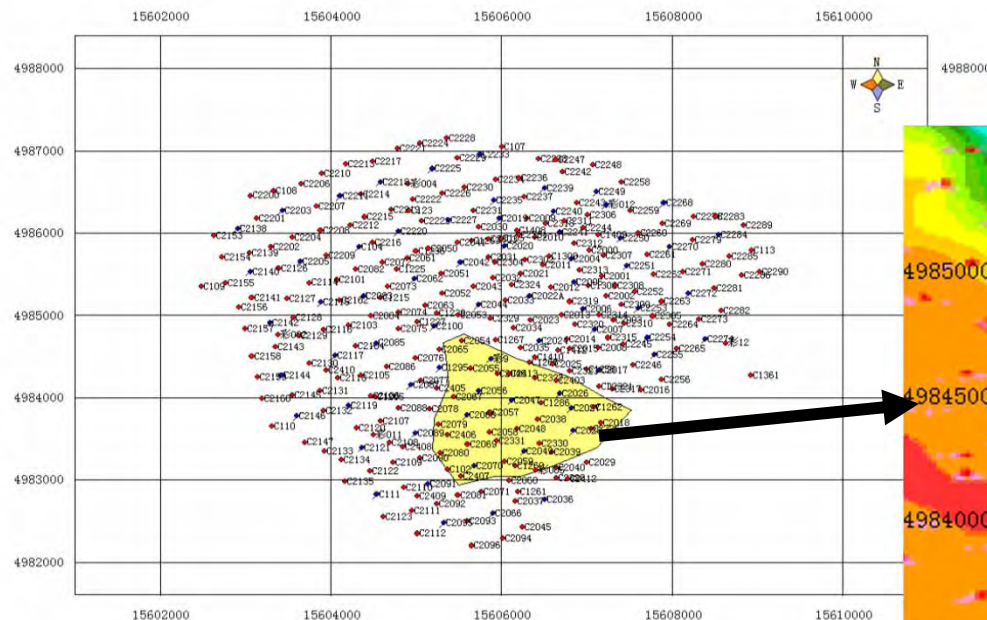
Seismic constraint improves the history matching (Liquid in cubic meters).



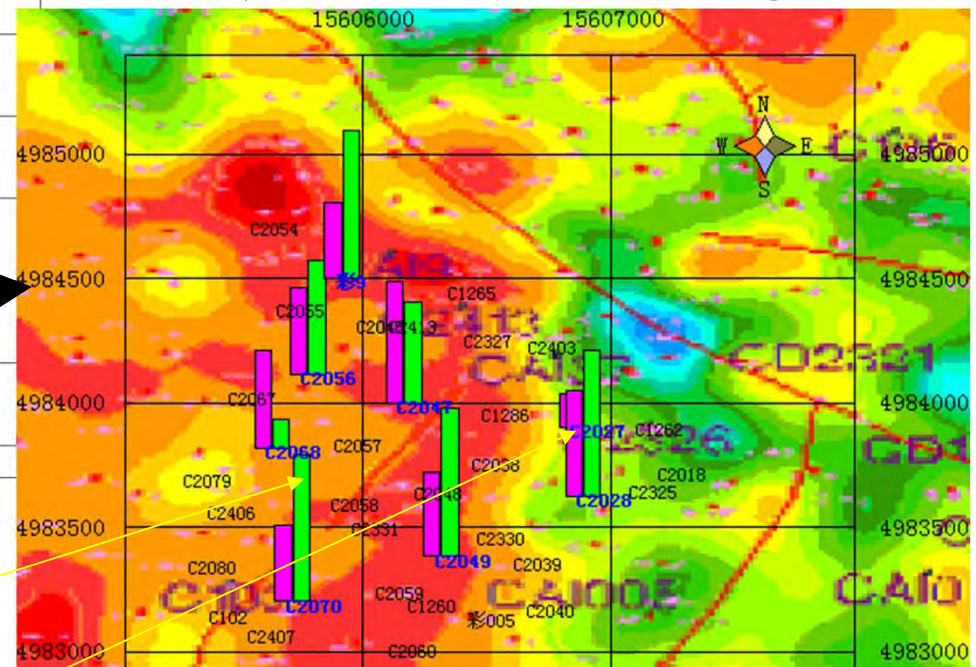
- **Pilot implementation**

- Injection unchanged outside the pilot area
- Only perturb the injection rate inside the pilot area
- No other enhancement schemes applied

## Pilot Area



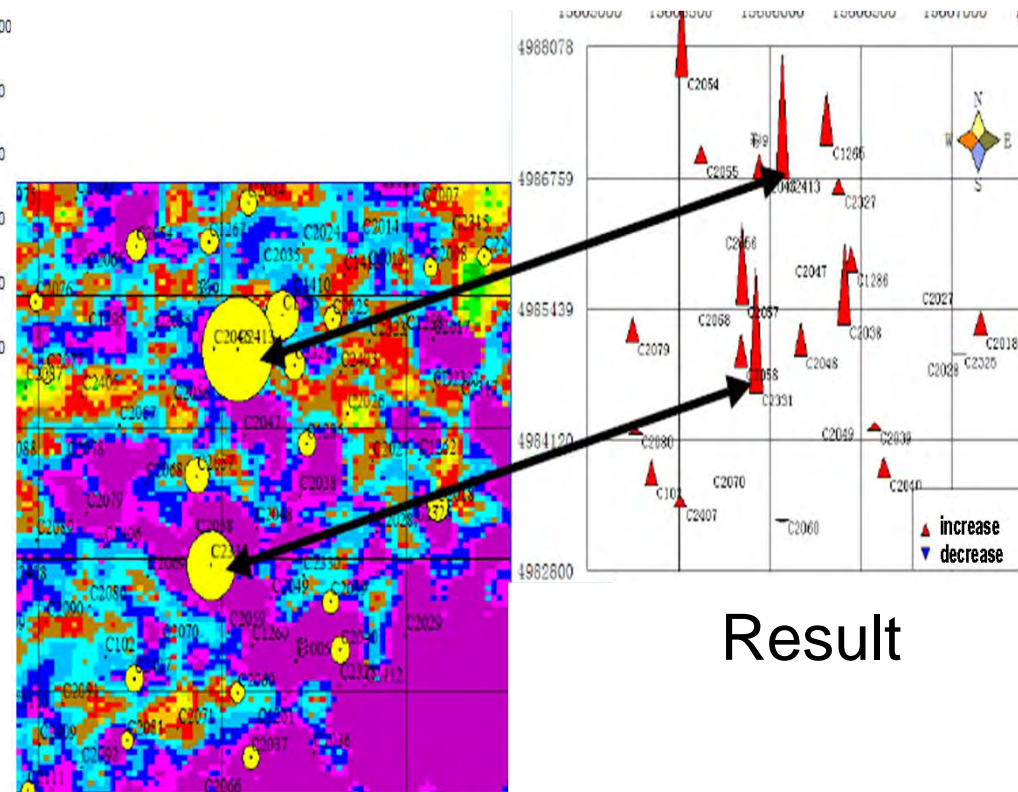
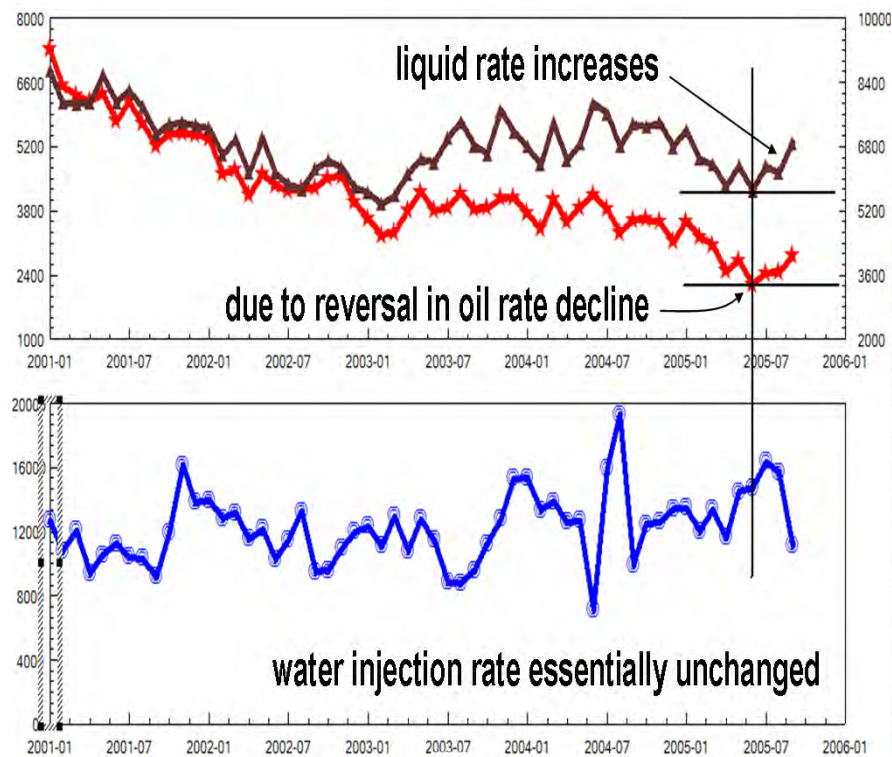
## Injection Rate Change



Optimized

History

- Pilot implementation result
  - Cumulative oil production increase of 7000 barrels
  - Performance followed up for 3 months



## Result

## Predicted

## Adjust on operation parameters



# Summary

- Through 'bridging' in data domain, seismic data can be used to identify potentials in producing field for production adjustment.
- By 'bridging' in model domain, seismic data can help to update the reservoir model for further model based production optimization.
- It is feasible to use seismic data for production optimization.

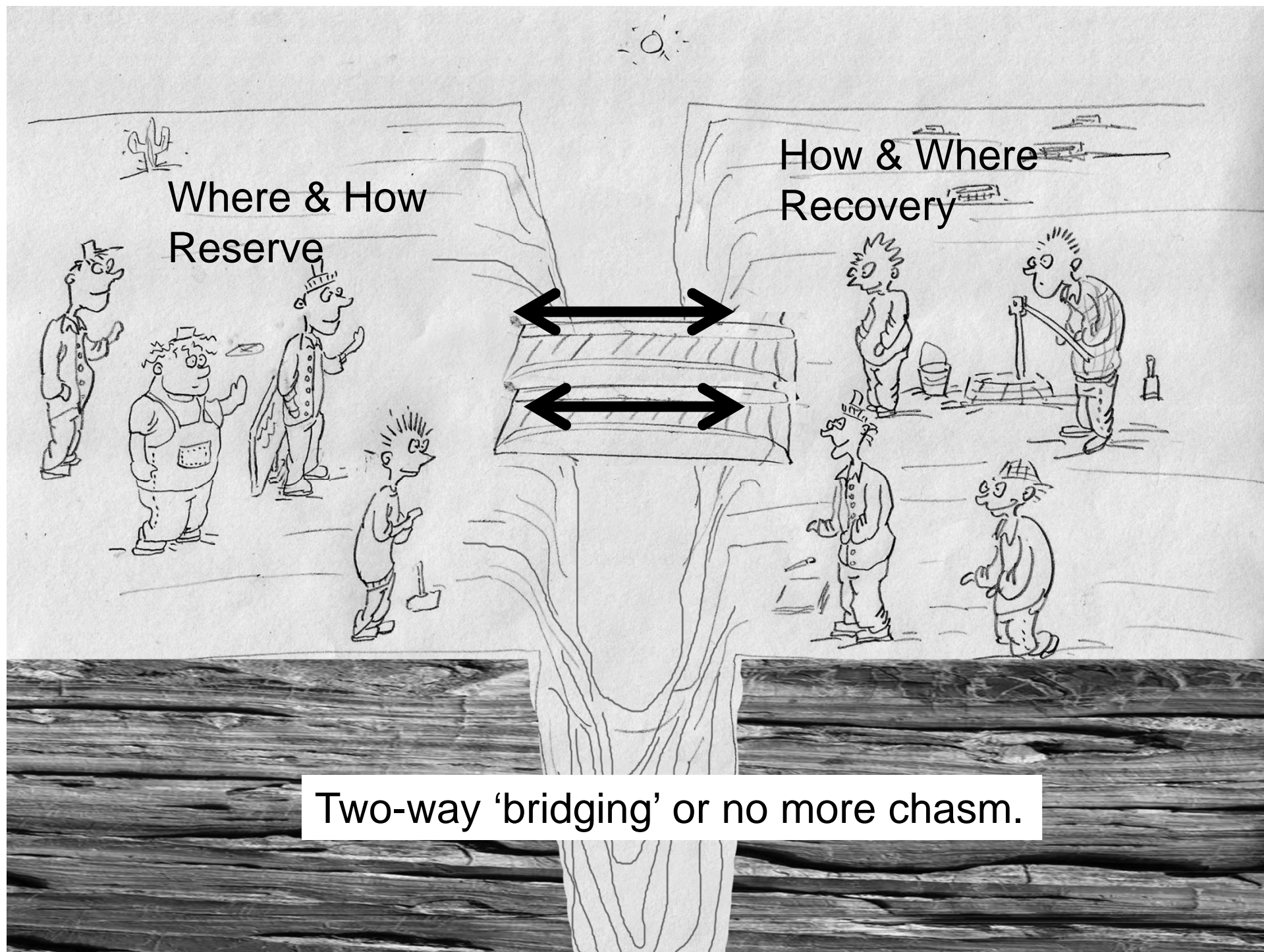




# Road Ahead

- More robust tool for 'bridging', and tools to 'interact' with all data for seismic and production data interpretation
- Possibility for looping back to geological modeling
- Automatic and interactive tools





Two-way 'bridging' or no more chasm.

# Thank you!

# Questions?

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