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**Presentation**

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**The next paradigm: Integrating borehole  
& surface geophysical techniques for  
better reservoir characterization**

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# Presentation challenge: ???

How do convey what I would be doing  
in the future without -

- **overloading an unknown audience**
- **bragging about my great achievements**
- **knowing future technologies**
- **over promising**

???

# Presentation Objective

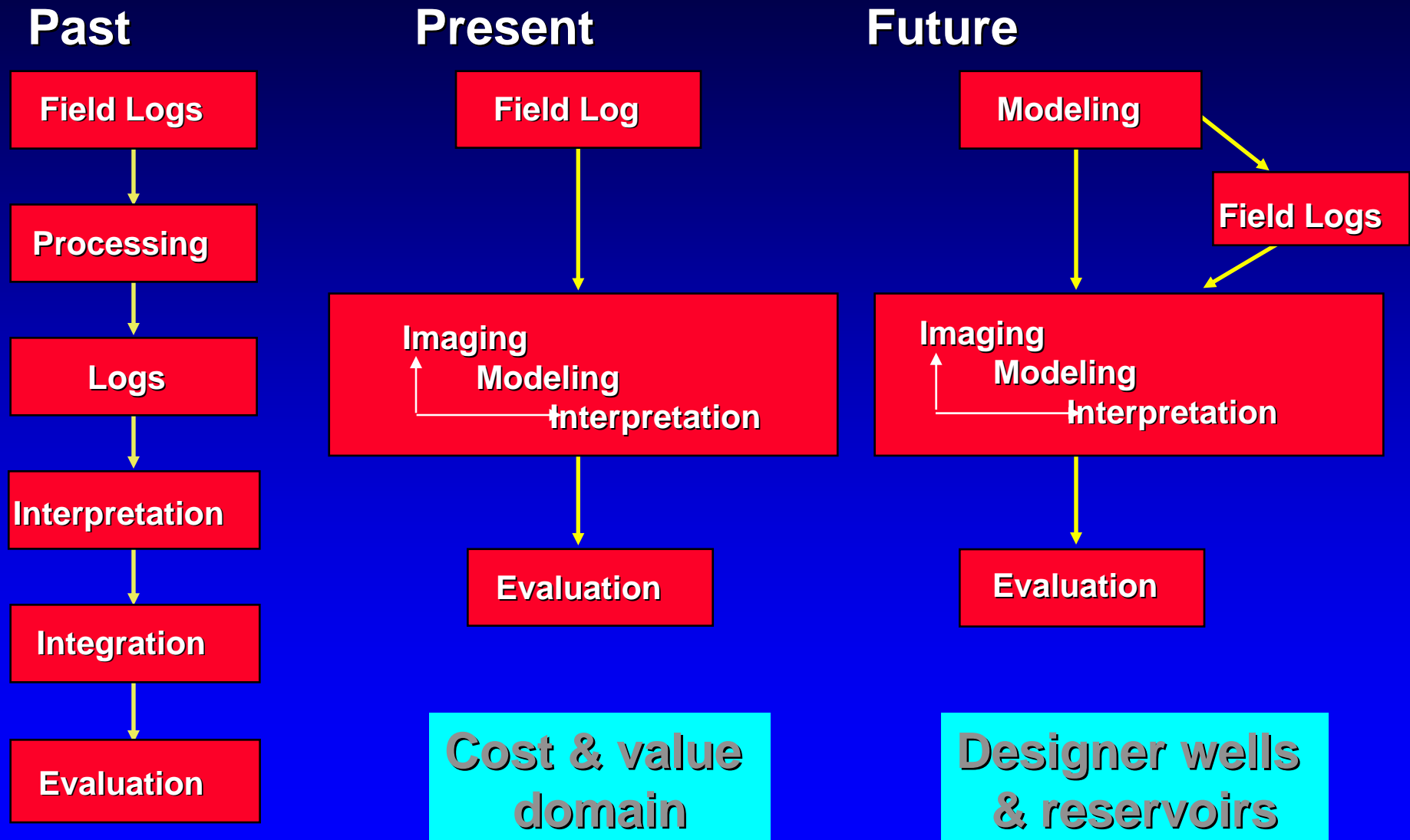
- Display a vision based on data points.
- Tie existing to my own experience.
- Link to AGL/UofH objectives.

.... Or just share my dream

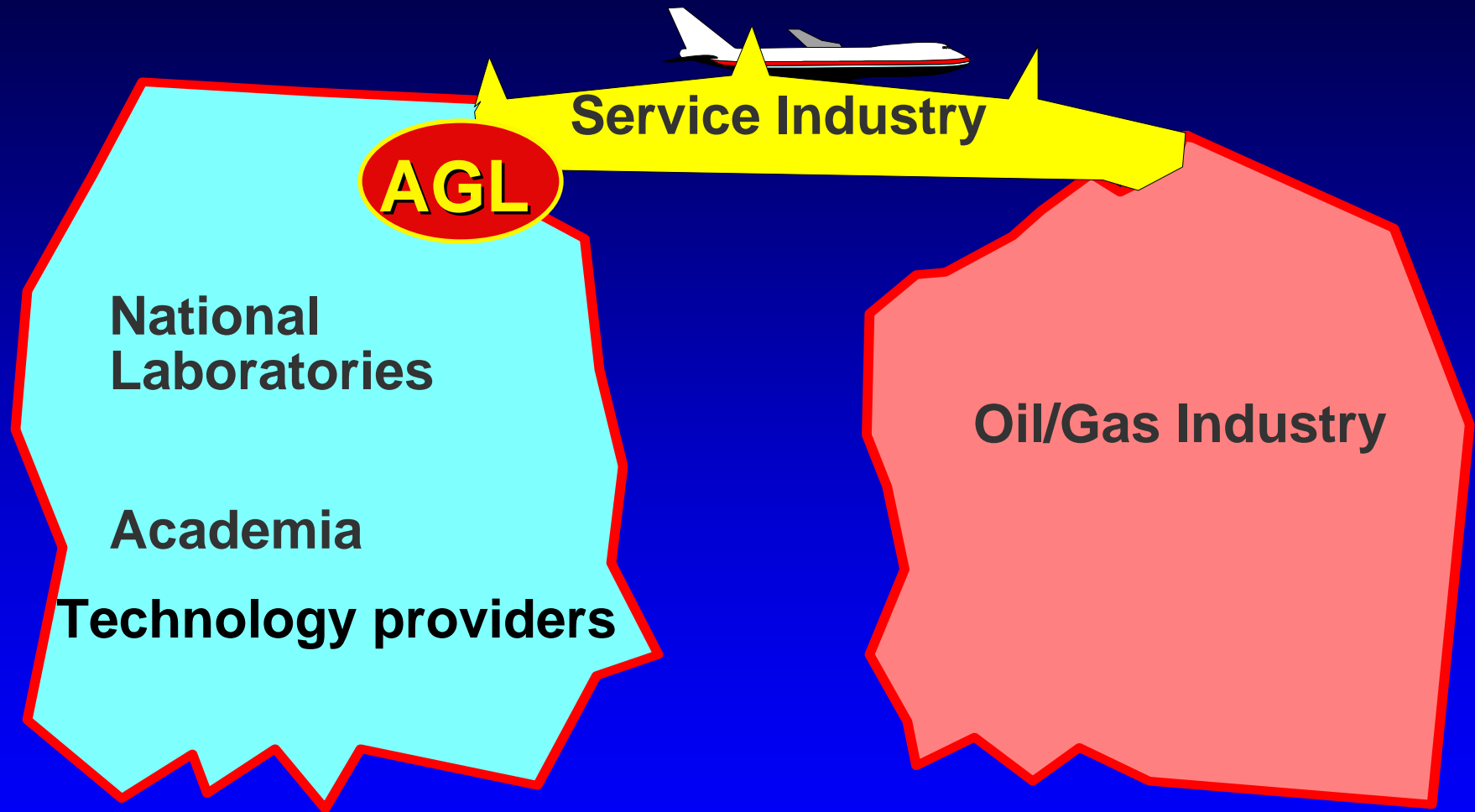
# Outline

- **Paradigm Shift**
- **Array tools: The Present (my past)**
- **3D volume integration: The Future**
- **Conclusions**

# The Paradigm Shift: log analysis

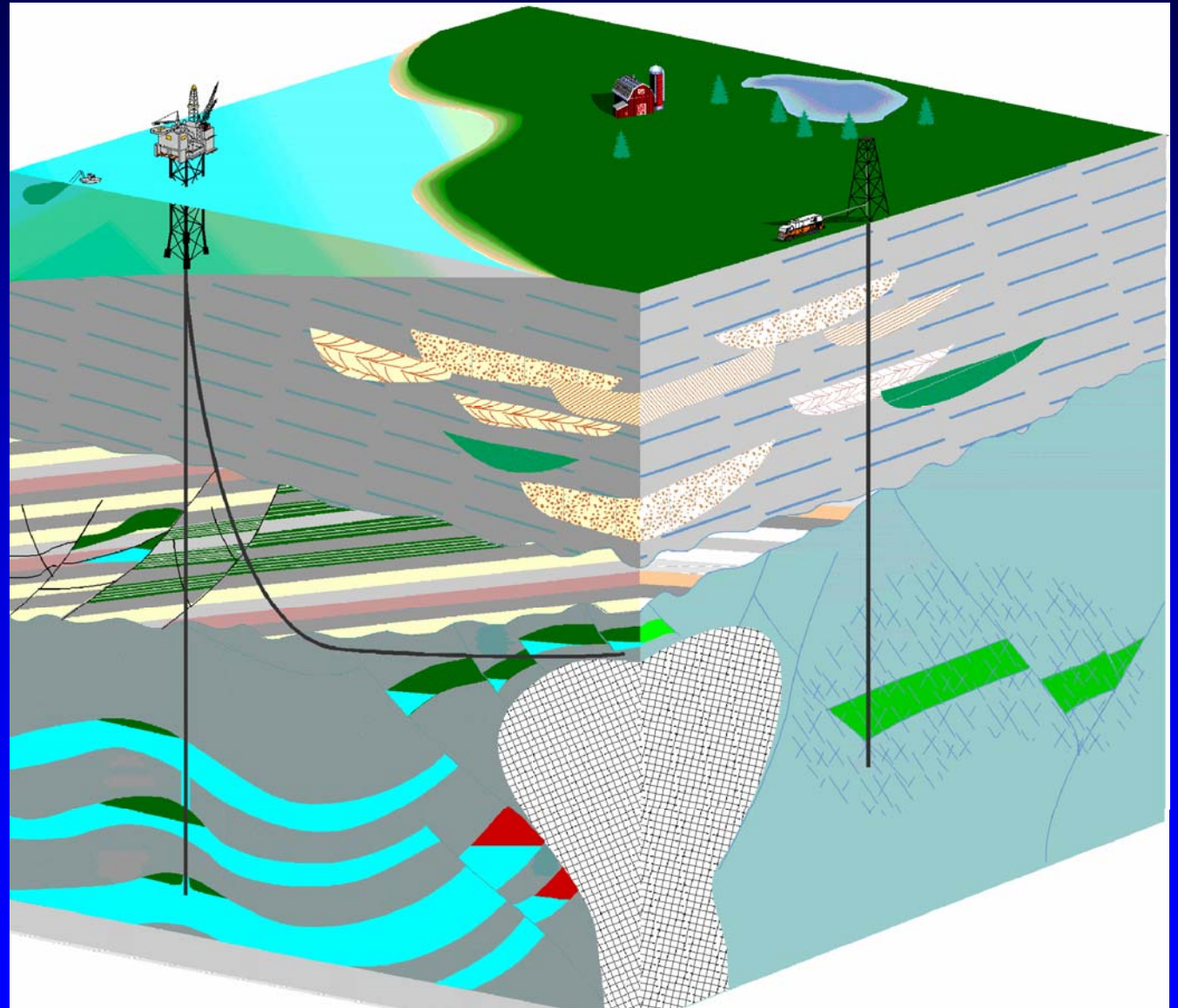


# The Paradigm Shift: the industry



# The Paradigm Shift: information value

Integration  
information  
in the  
3 D volume

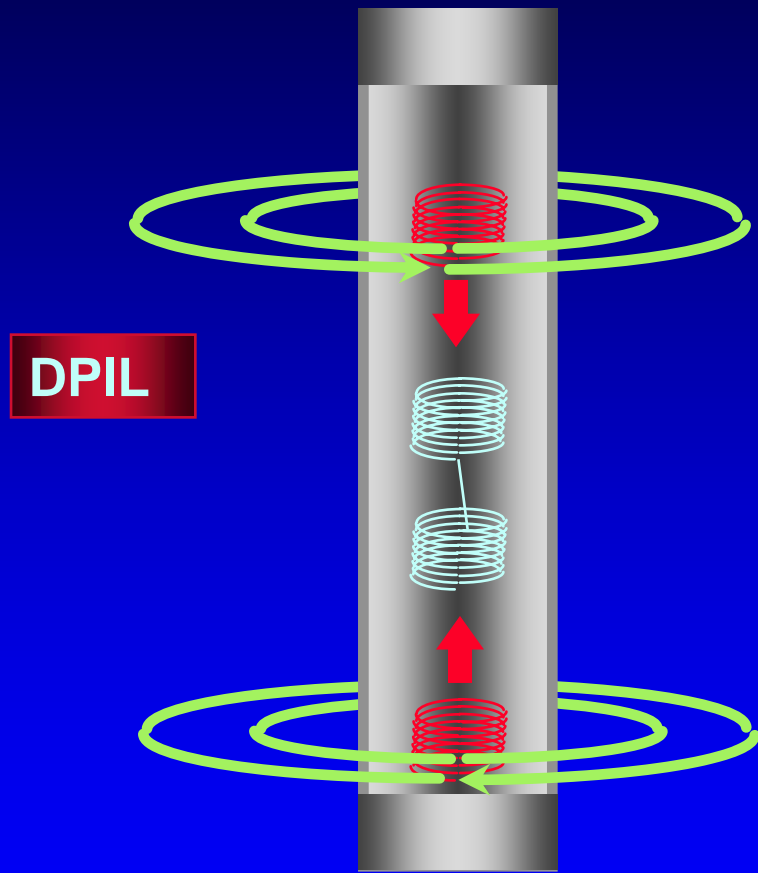


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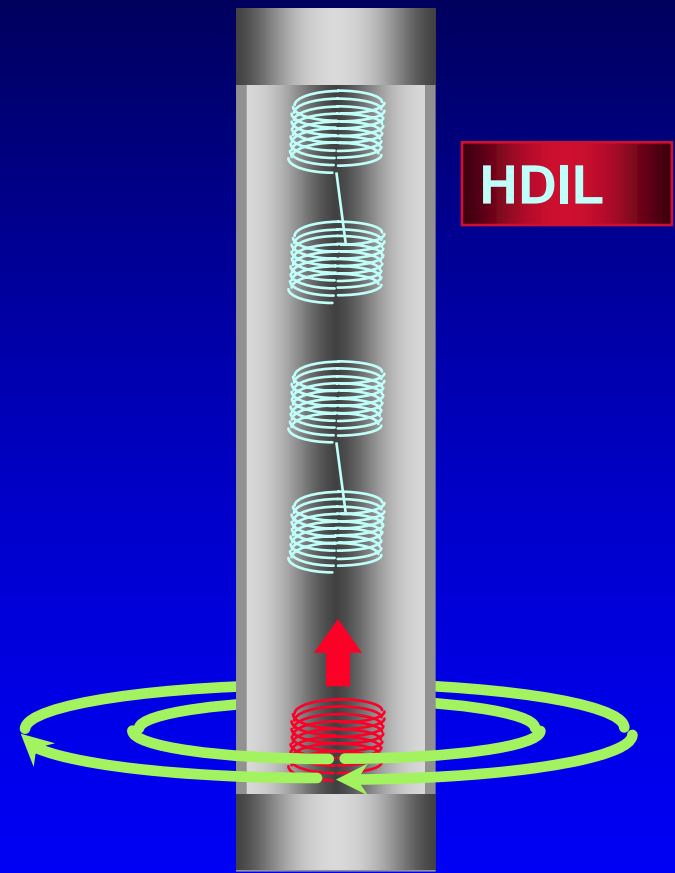
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# Meters vs acquisition systems: Induction

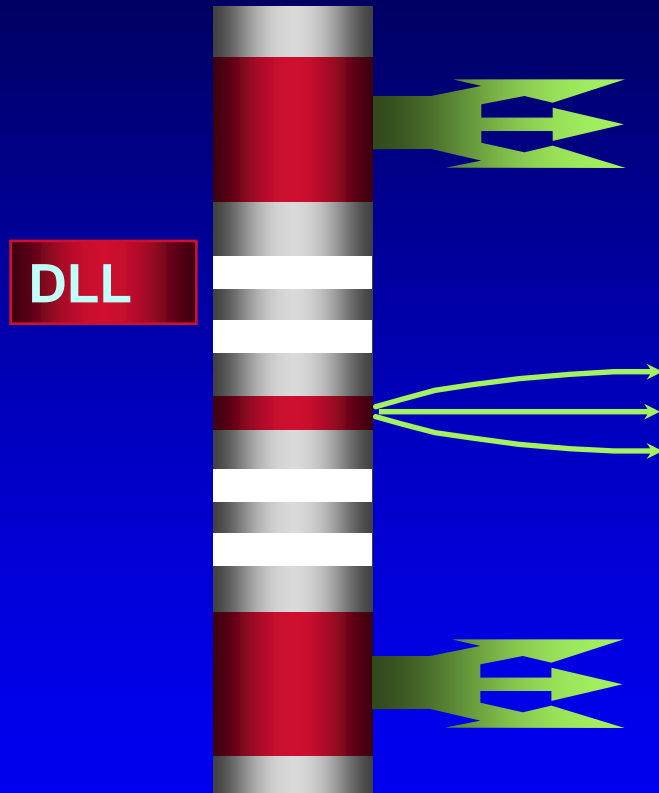


Apparent  $R_t$

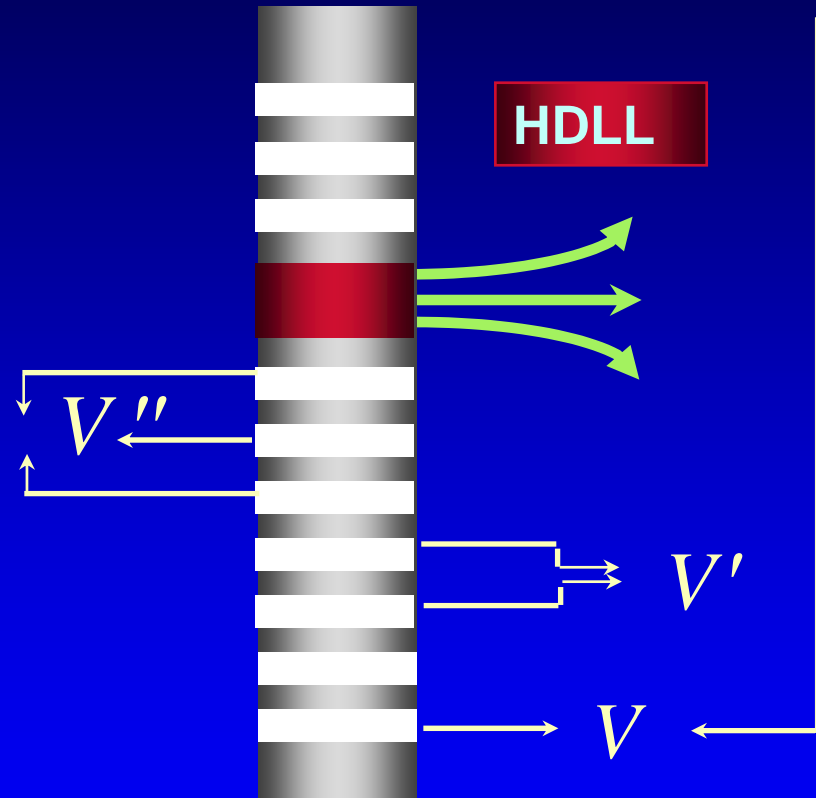


Raw Array Data Inversion  $R_t$

# Meters vs acquisition systems: Galvanic



Apparent  $R_t$



Raw Array Data Inversion  $R_t$

## **Array tools:...**

- **Model based interpretation**
- **State-of-the art acquisition system ( 24 bit, high data rates, full waveforms)**
- **Software processing for improved S/N**

# Data to Model

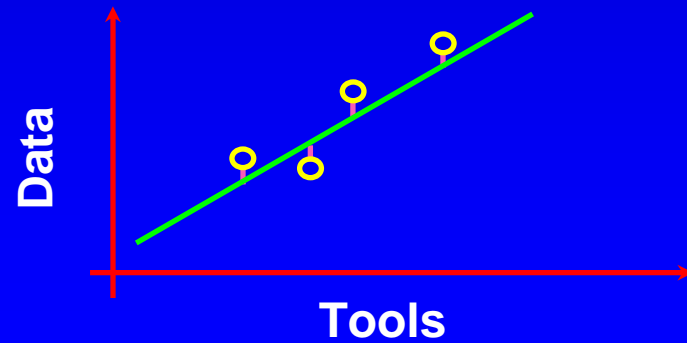
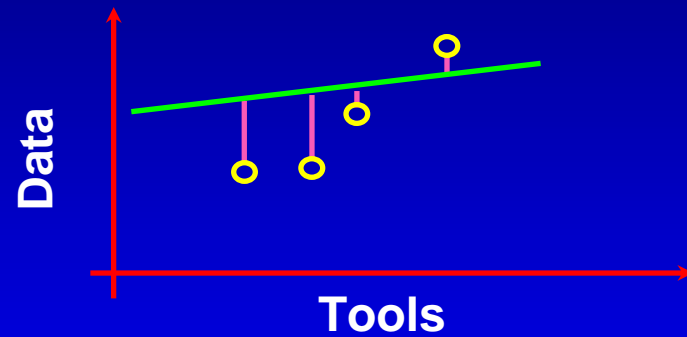
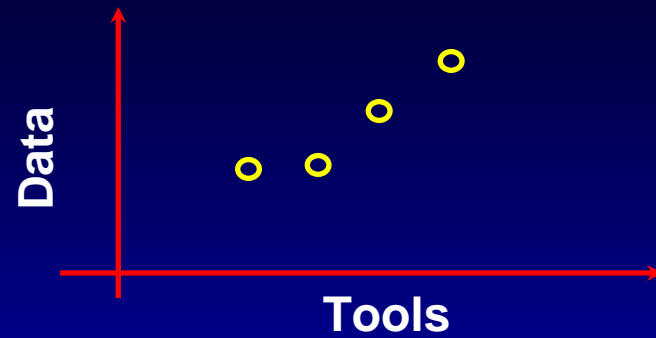
Measurements



Initial Guess

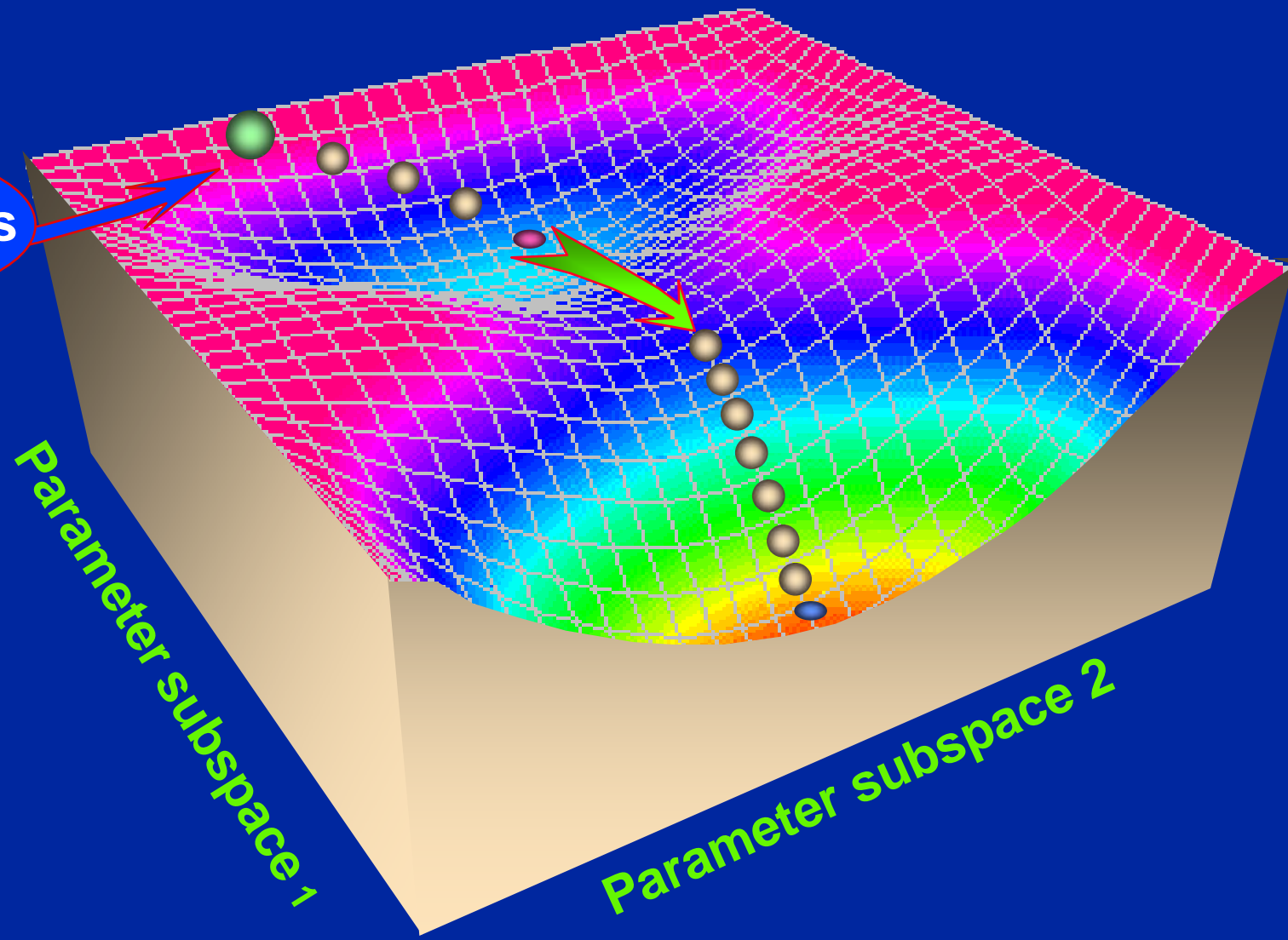


Final Model



# Nonlinear Optimization

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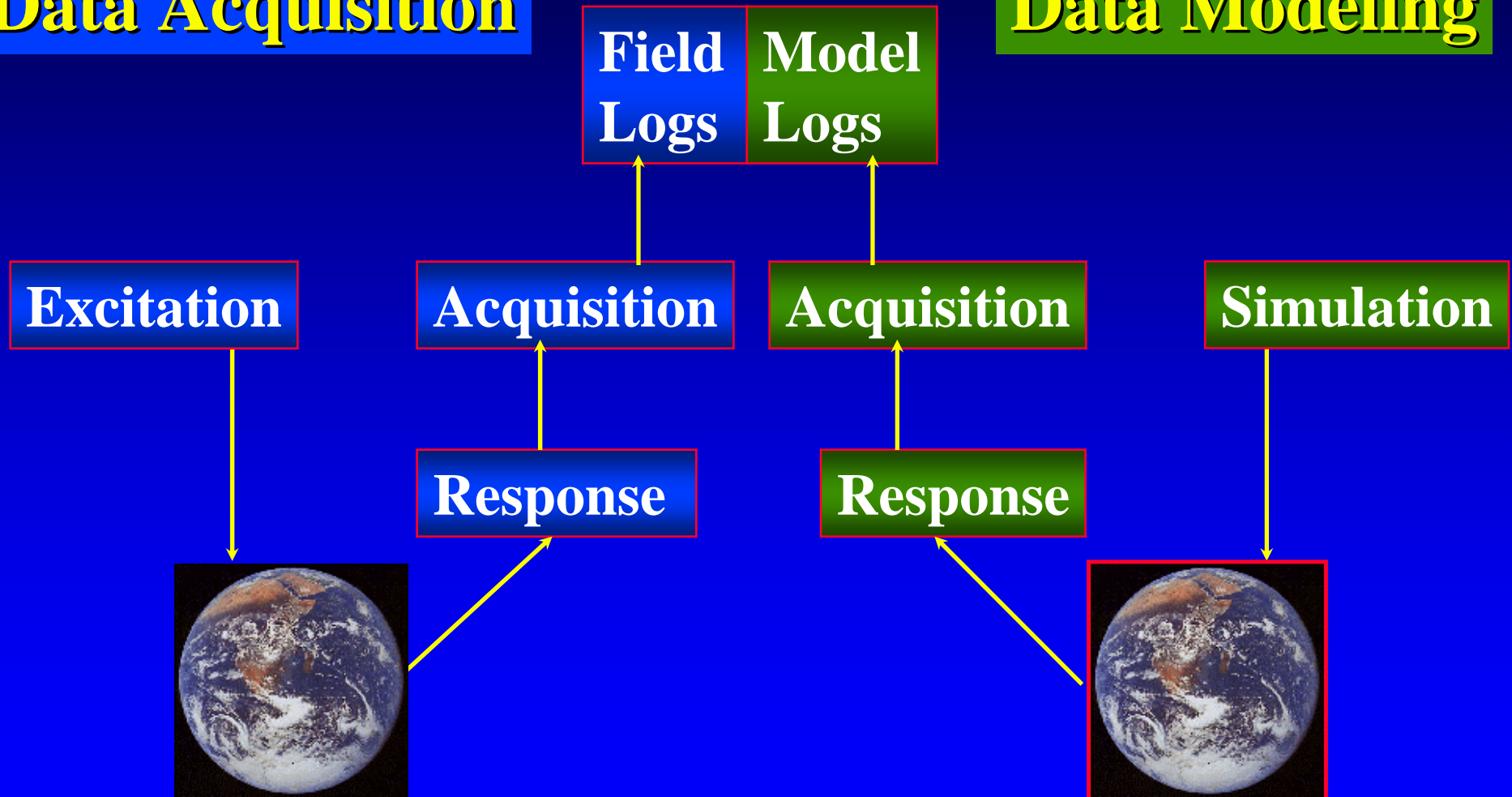


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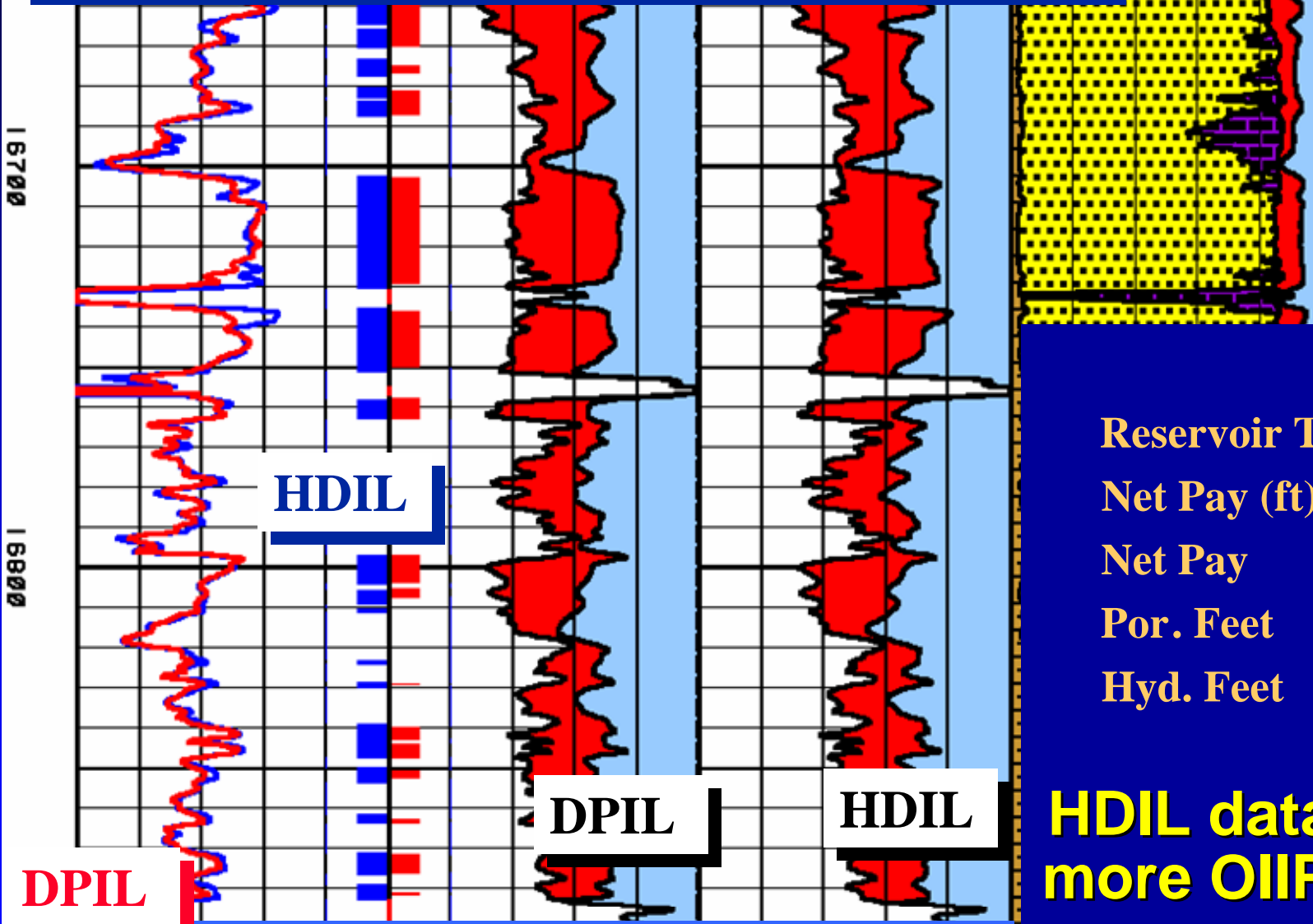
# Inversion: Process flow

## Data Acquisition

## Data Modeling



# Step change through hardware



Reserves estimate  
DPIL vs. HDIL

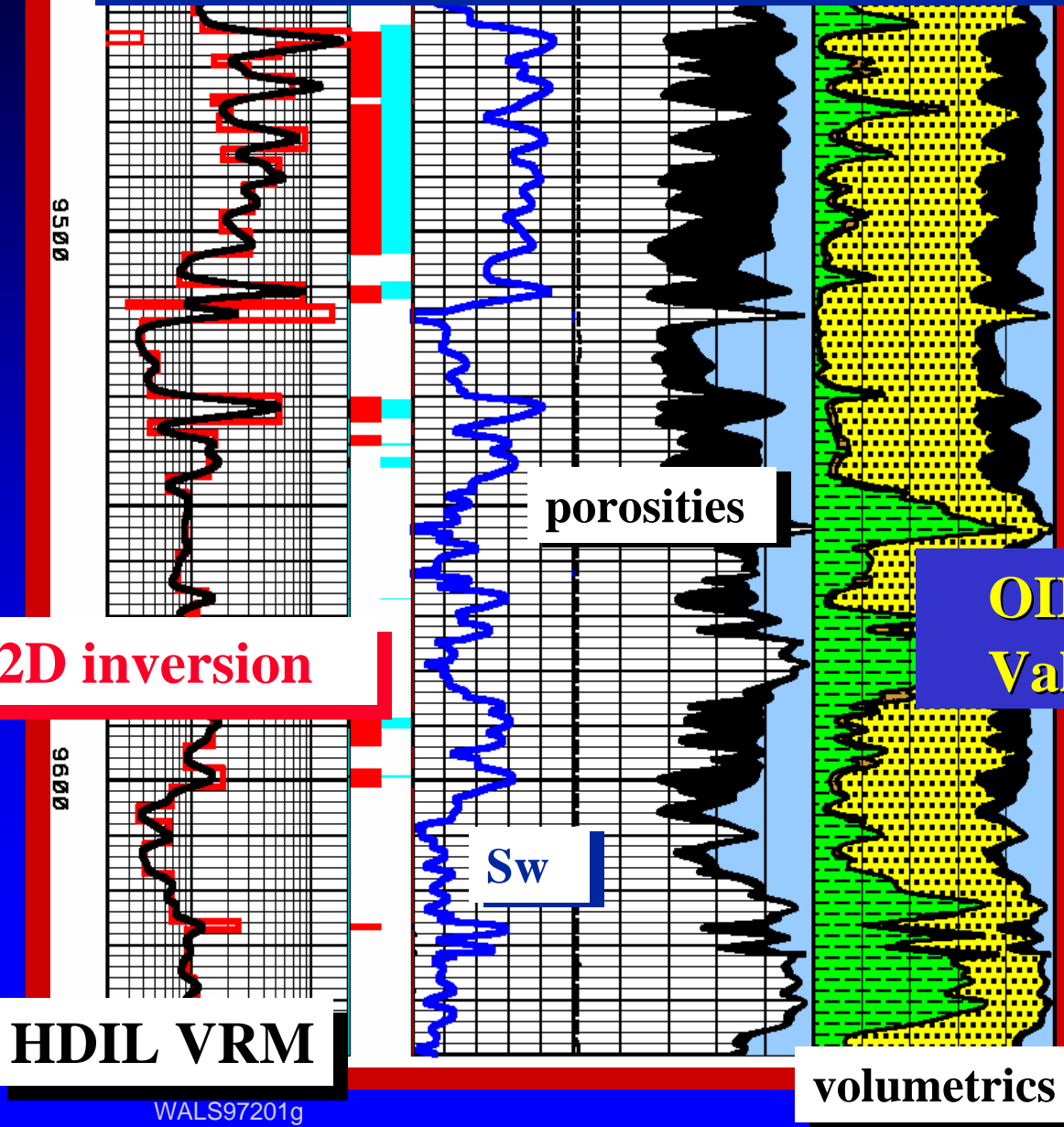
|                      | DPIL    | HDIL    |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| Reservoir Thickness: |         | 270 ft  |
| Net Pay (ft)         | 103.6   | 130.1   |
| Net Pay              | 38.4%   | 48.2%   |
| Por. Feet            | 15.4 ft | 18.9 ft |
| Hyd. Feet            | 7.4 ft  | 9.2 ft  |

**HDIL data allowed 24% more OIP be booked.**

DPIL

Net Pay and Saturation Analysis

# Step change through software



## 2 ft VRM vs 2D Inversion

$$OIP = (A * h) Por * (1 - Sw)$$

A = 160 acre

Assume 7,758 API Bbl/acre-foot

1 Bbl = \$22

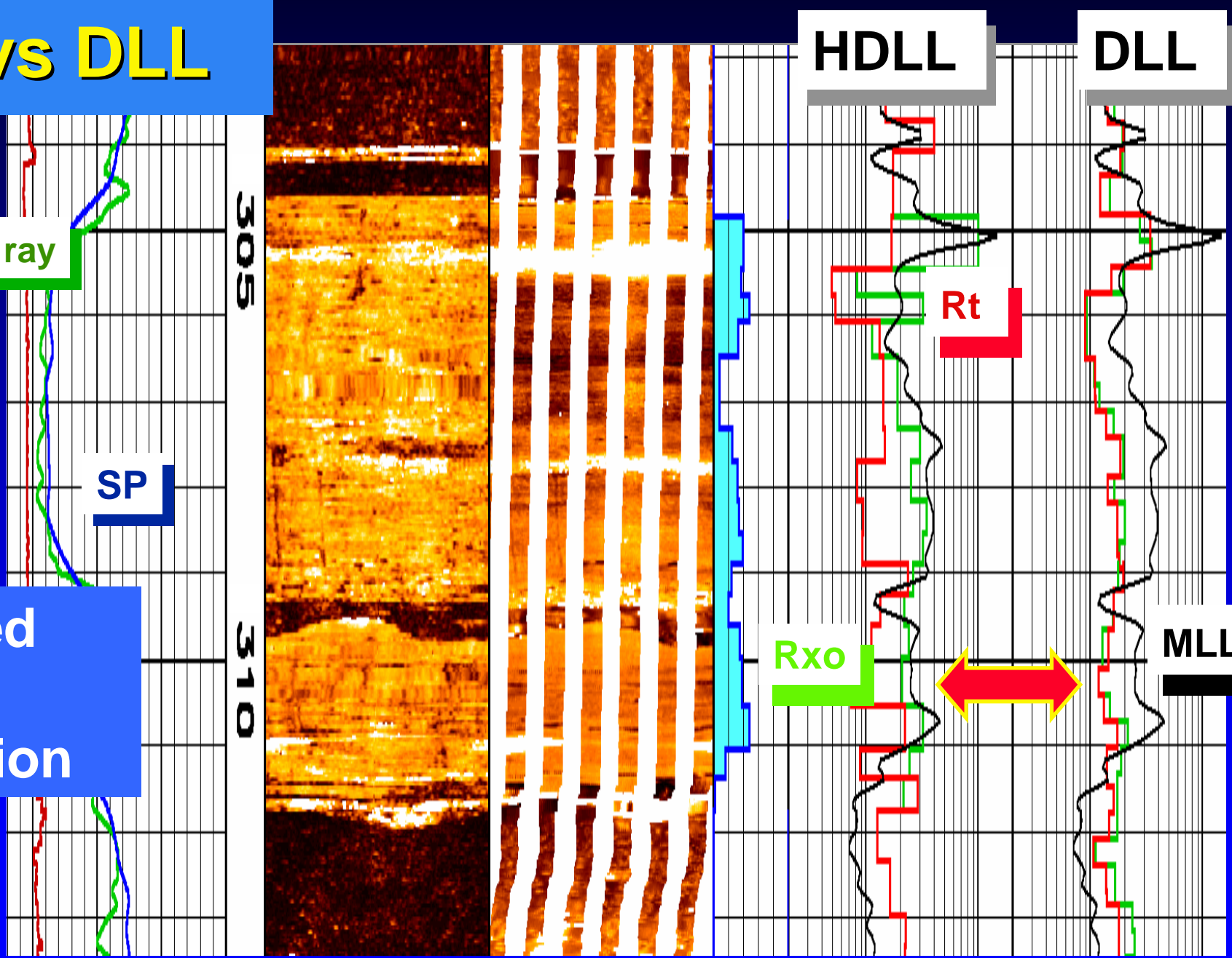
**OIP 14,912,427 Bbl    16,173,193 Bbl**

**Value 328 M\$                    356 M\$**

### 2 ft VRM Curves                    2D Inversion

|        |          |          |
|--------|----------|----------|
| h      | 67.00 ft | 74.75 ft |
| Por    | 25.8%    | 25.9%    |
| (1-Sw) | 69.5%    | 67.3%    |

# HDLL vs DLL



Improved vertical Resolution

# Outline

- Objectives
- Array tools: The Present
- **3D volume integration: The Future**
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# How from Today to 'Pie in the Sky' (10 years)

- Future technology already exists
- Future is a different use of existing components
- Aligned along maximum benefit (economic, technical)
- Virtual computing brings revisiting

## Path

- Identify objectives
- Identify components... **delivery vehicle: 3D cube**

# DeepLook: Vision

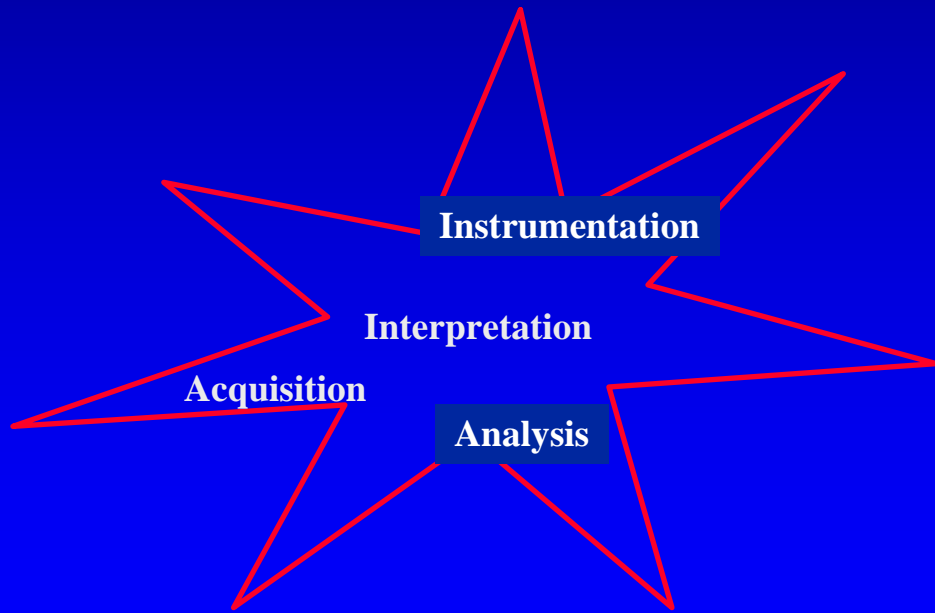
Breakthrough

Now

Vision  
2000



Bypassed production  
Mis-positioned wells  
Low well productivity  
Expensive testing  
Reserves uncertainty  
Aquifer drive ??



**70%+ recovery**  
Optimal well targeting  
Right facilities  
Minimum water production

**<35%**

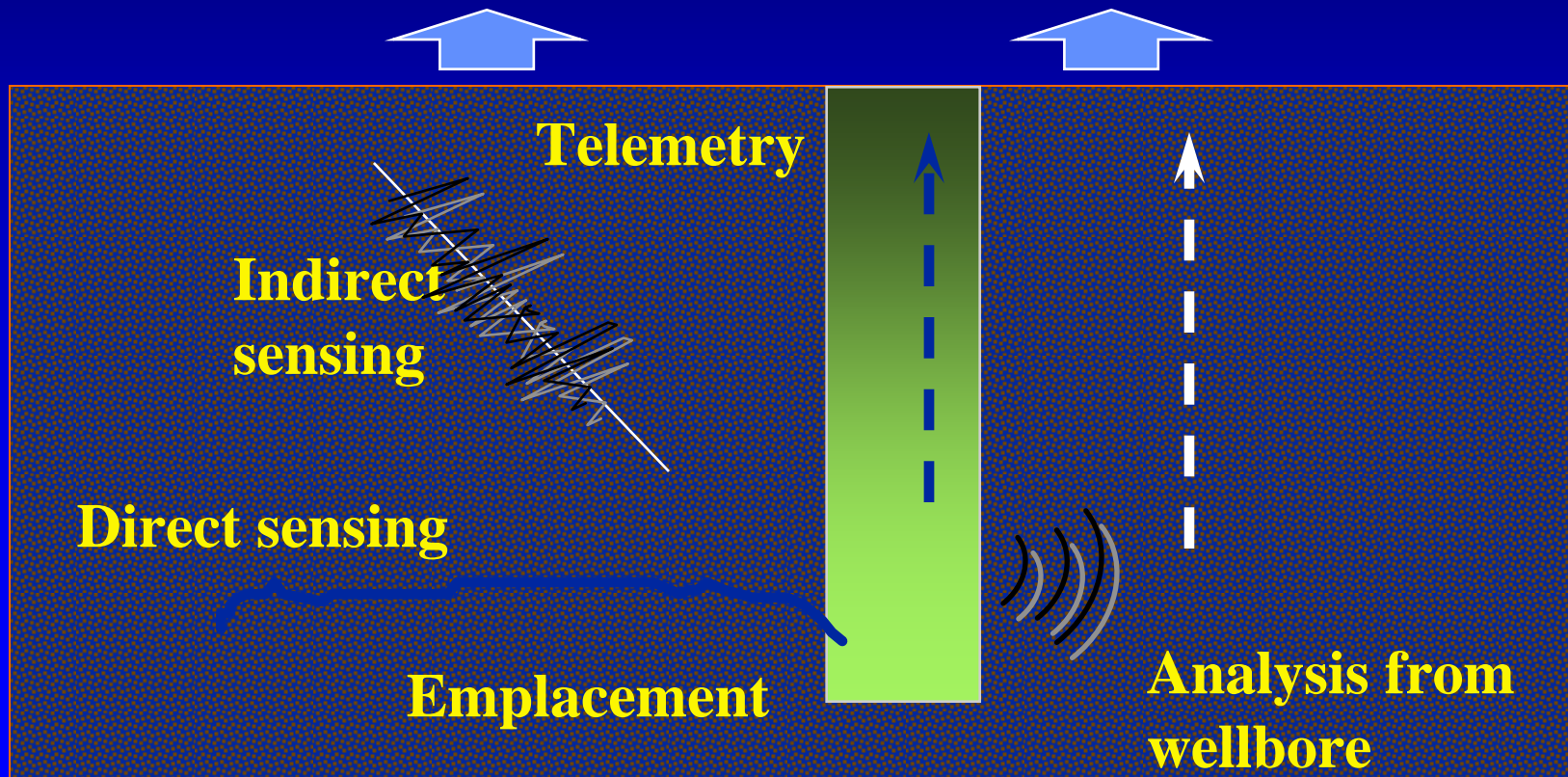
**Pilot Projects**

**70%**

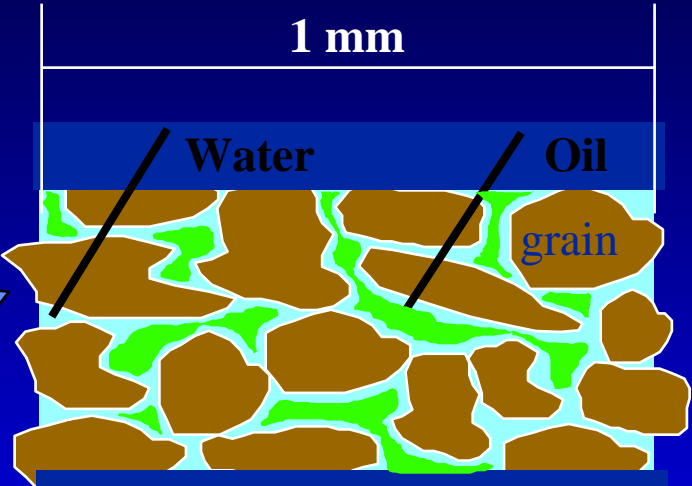
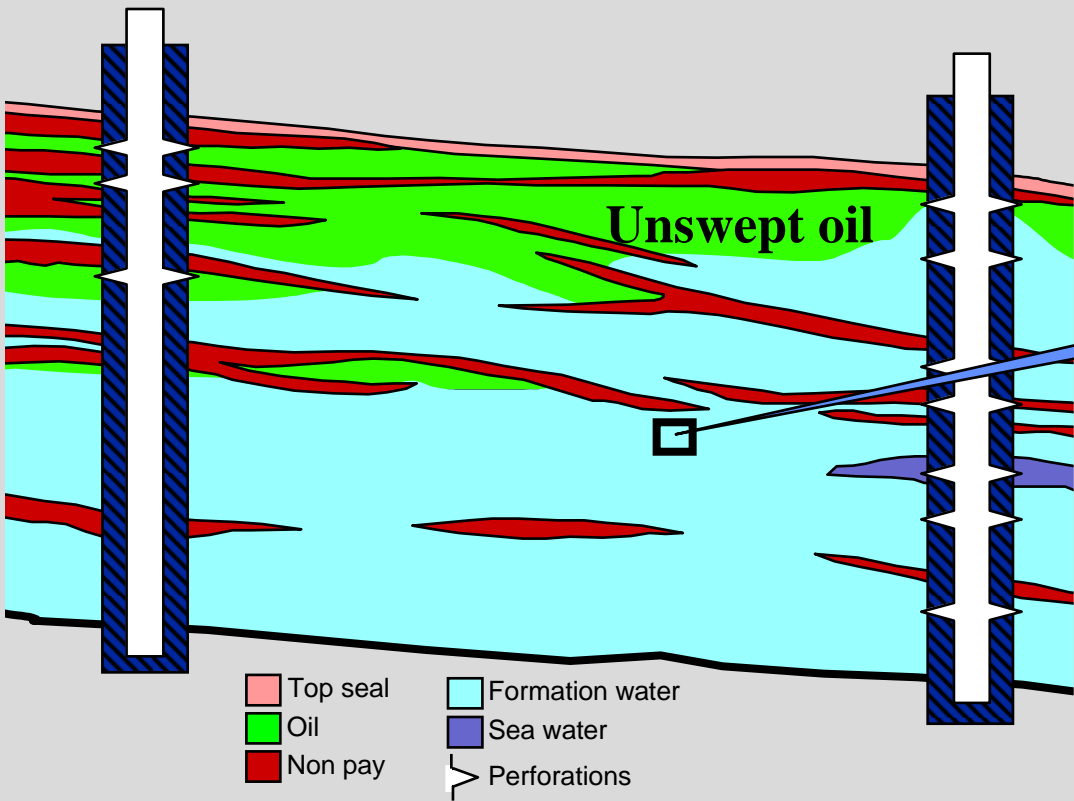
# Key Enabling Technologies

Optimize  
operation

Data Fusion  
Prediction



# Scope of the Challenge



# Formation Evaluation Trends

- Reservoir/production: Drainage

- Measurements:

- NMR (fluids, texture), Susceptibility (mineralogy), Stress & structure (fractures, interwell geology), Horizontal well (guidance, assessment), Through-casing (existing reservoirs)

- Modeling & Inversion (logs and integration)      **UNCERTAINTIES**

- Deep investigation techniques: The Next Generation

- Cross-well techniques...selective cases

- Single well/ cross-well seismic

- Single well EM

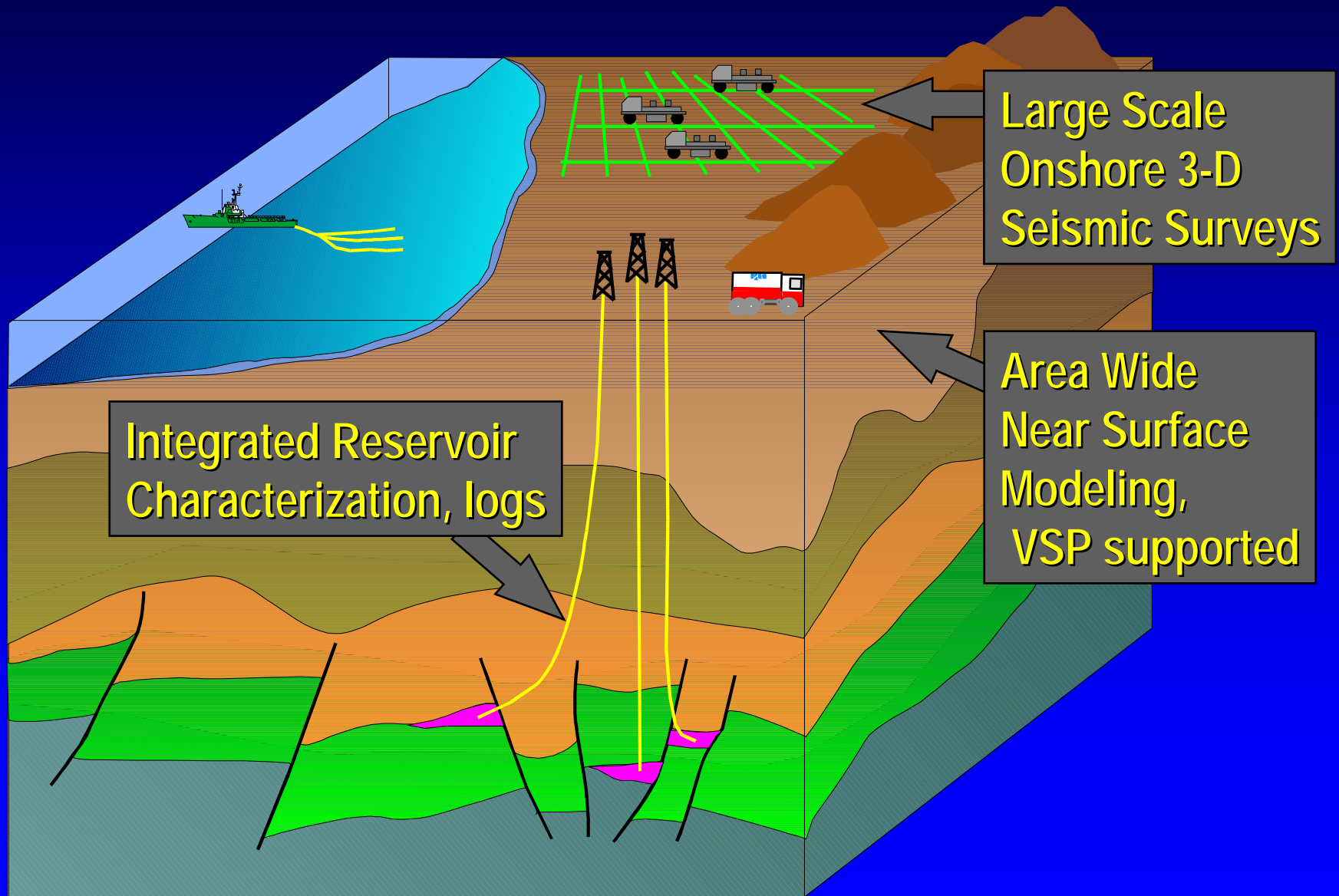
- Borehole gravity

**JOINT technology gives answer**

# Shopping list:

- **Optimum use of MWD & wireline**
  - **MWD: routine and steering**
  - **wireline: imaging and deep**
- **Advanced logs: mineralogy, downhole analysis..**
- **Downhole laboratories & factories**
  - **tie with SWD to seismic cube**

# Glue to the Information puzzle



# Glue components:

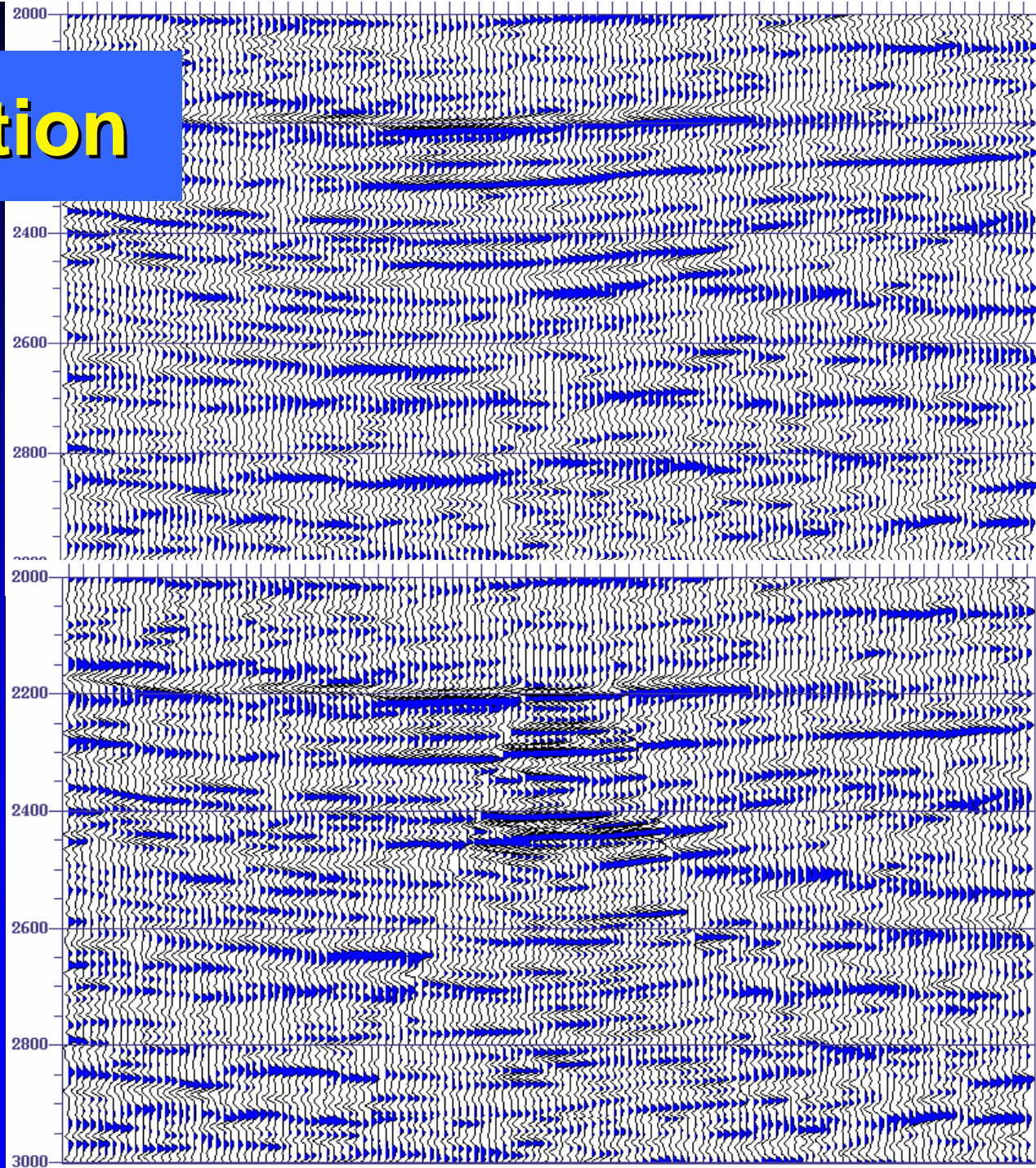
- **3D VSP**
- **Cross-well seismics**
- **Hole-to-surface EM**
- **Borehole gravity**
- **Sub-seismic fracture mapping**
- **Geostatistics**

# 3D VSP integration

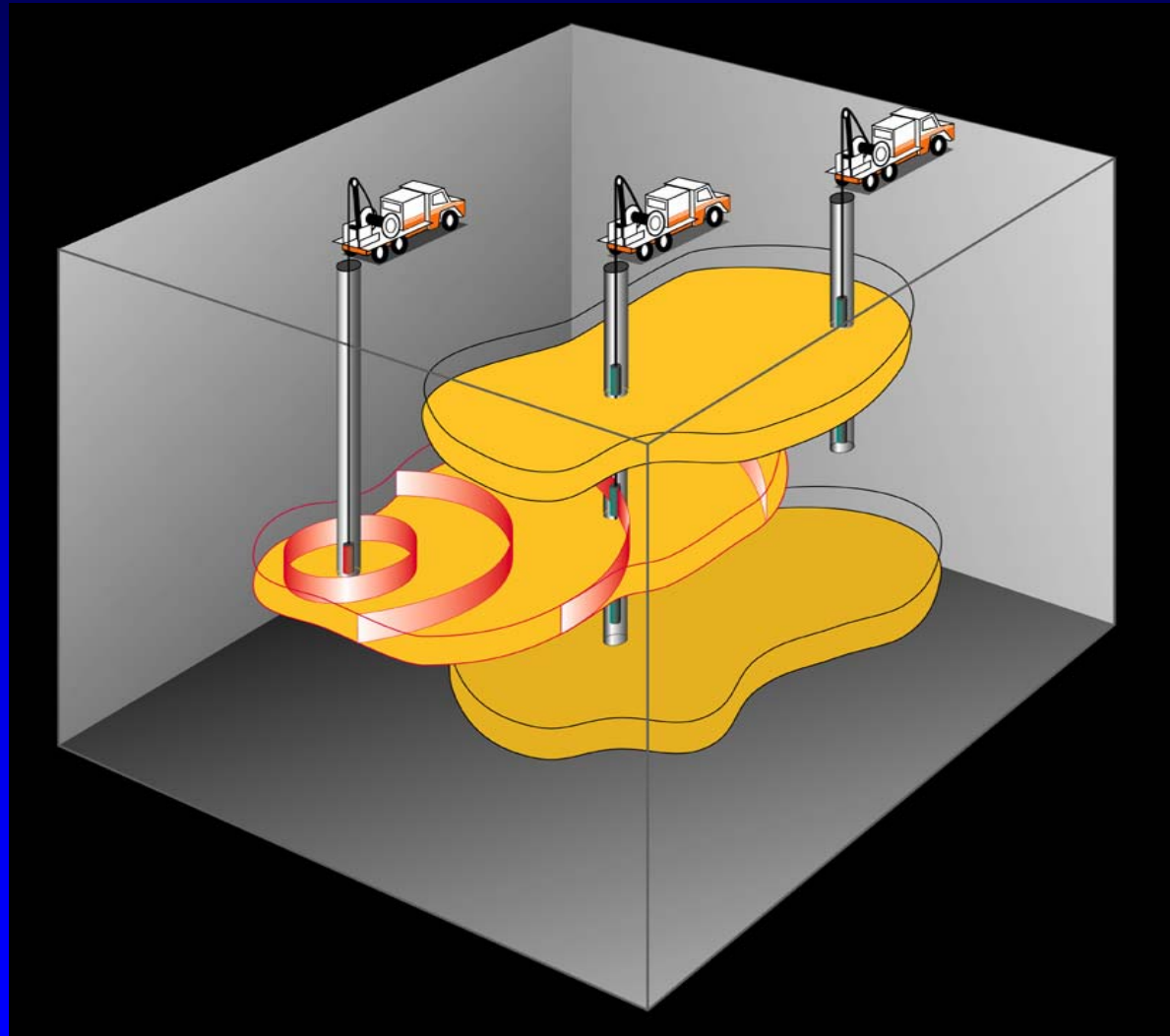
3D Time  
surface seismic migration  
processed by ELF

3D VSP Migration  
(depth-to-time conversion)  
pasted into  
surface seismic migration

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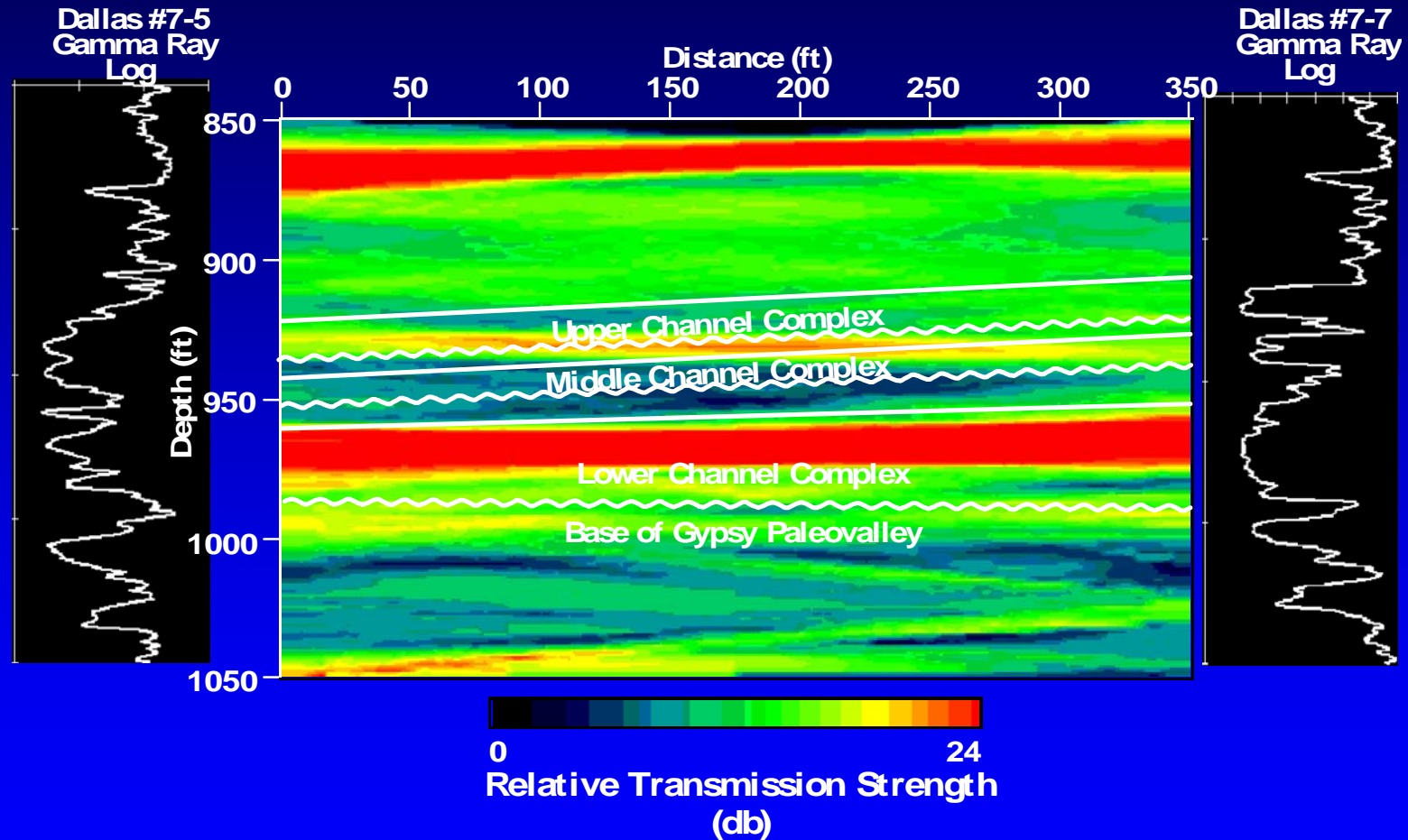
# Reservoir Connectivity Mapping (RCM)



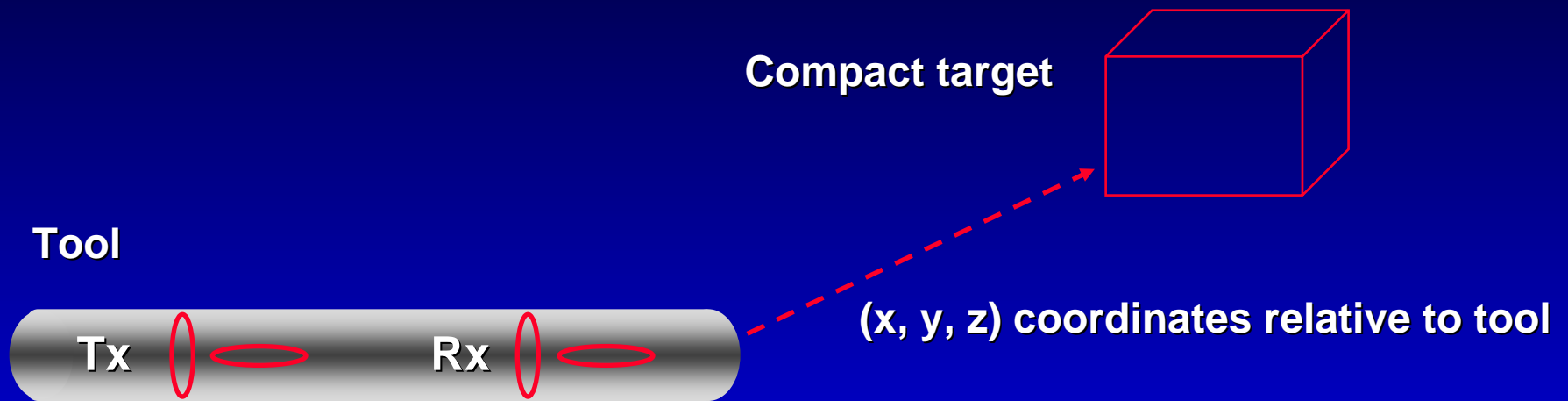
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# Reservoir Connectivity Map

Gypsy Pilot Site  
with pre-survey geologic correlations



# Directional Sensitivity - EM

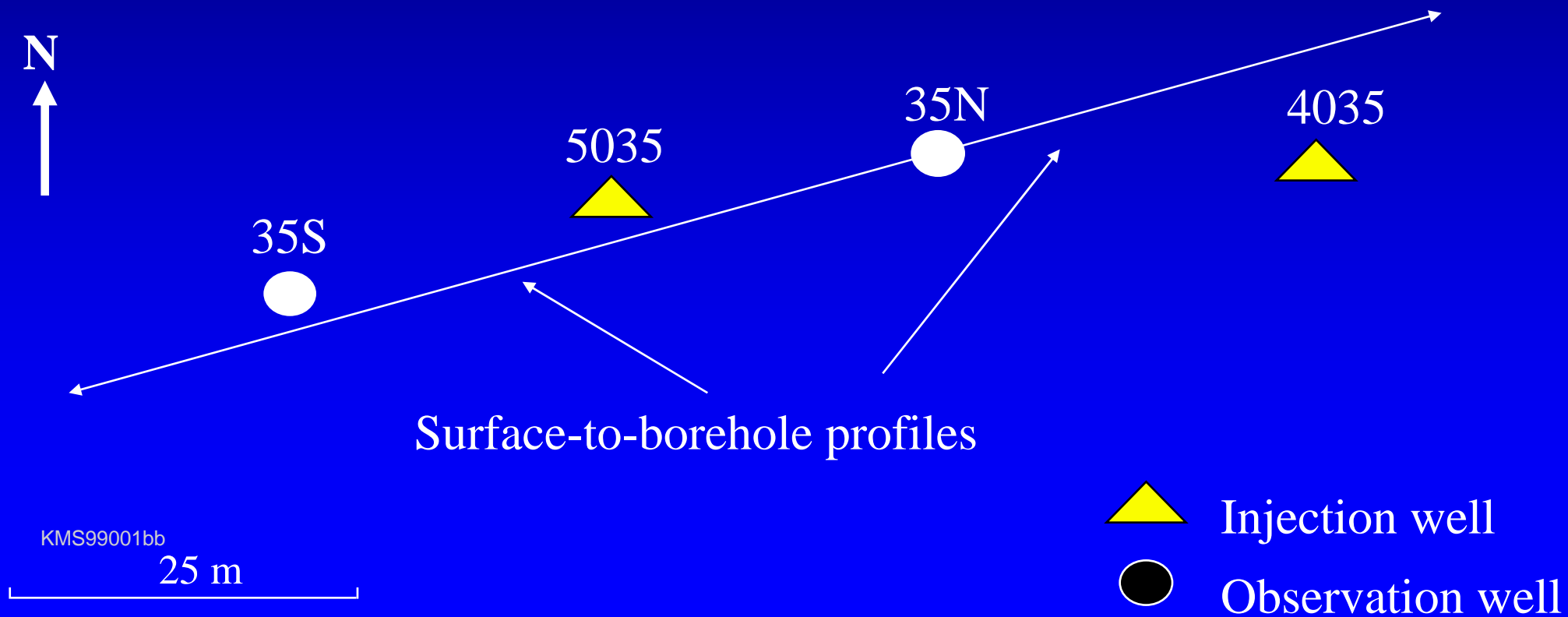


**Can pinpoint location of compact target in uniform host, plus sign and magnitude of conductivity contrast**

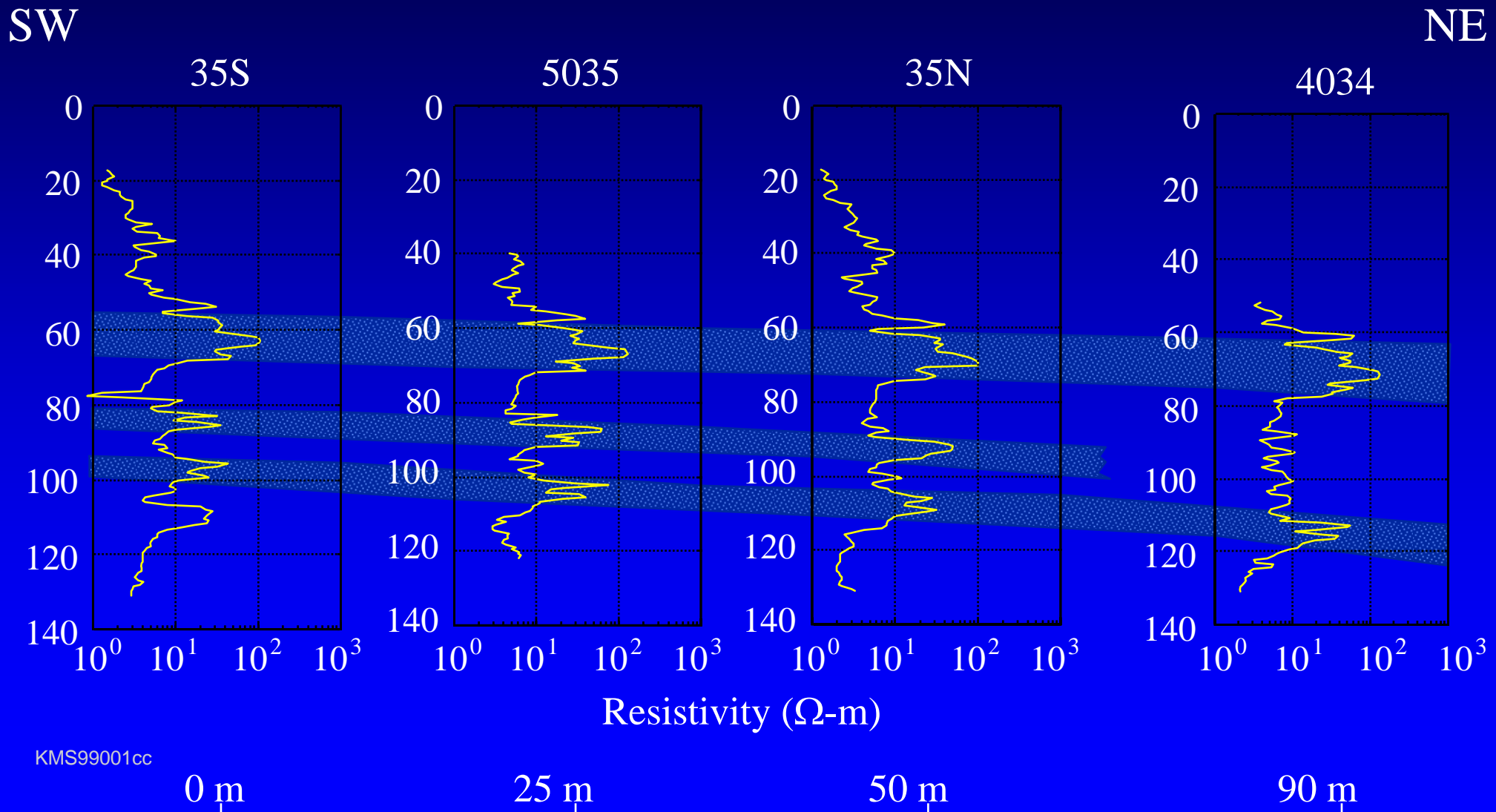
# Surface-to-hole EM

## Lost Hills 3T Steam flood Project

Site Map

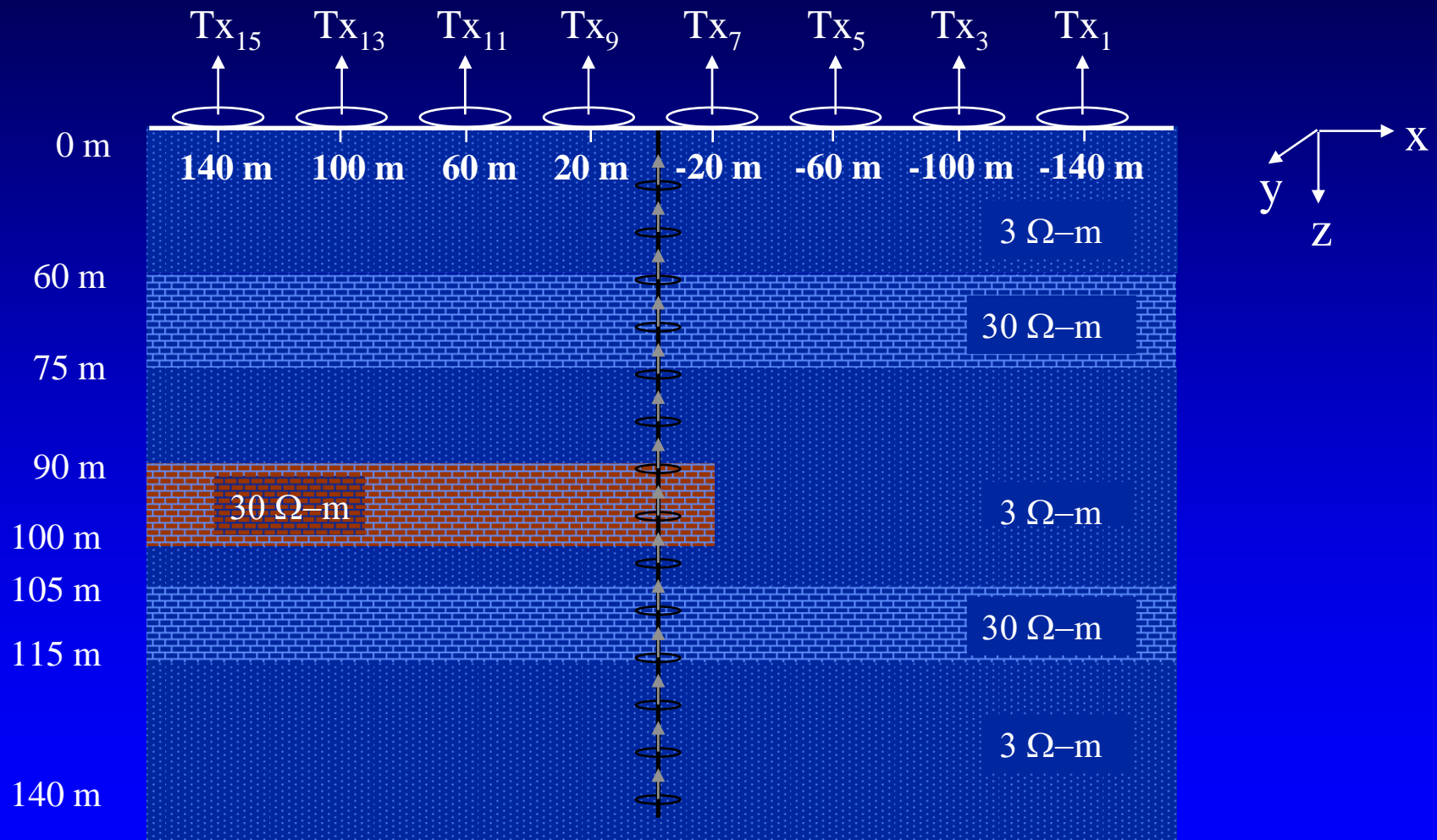


# Borehole Induction Logs

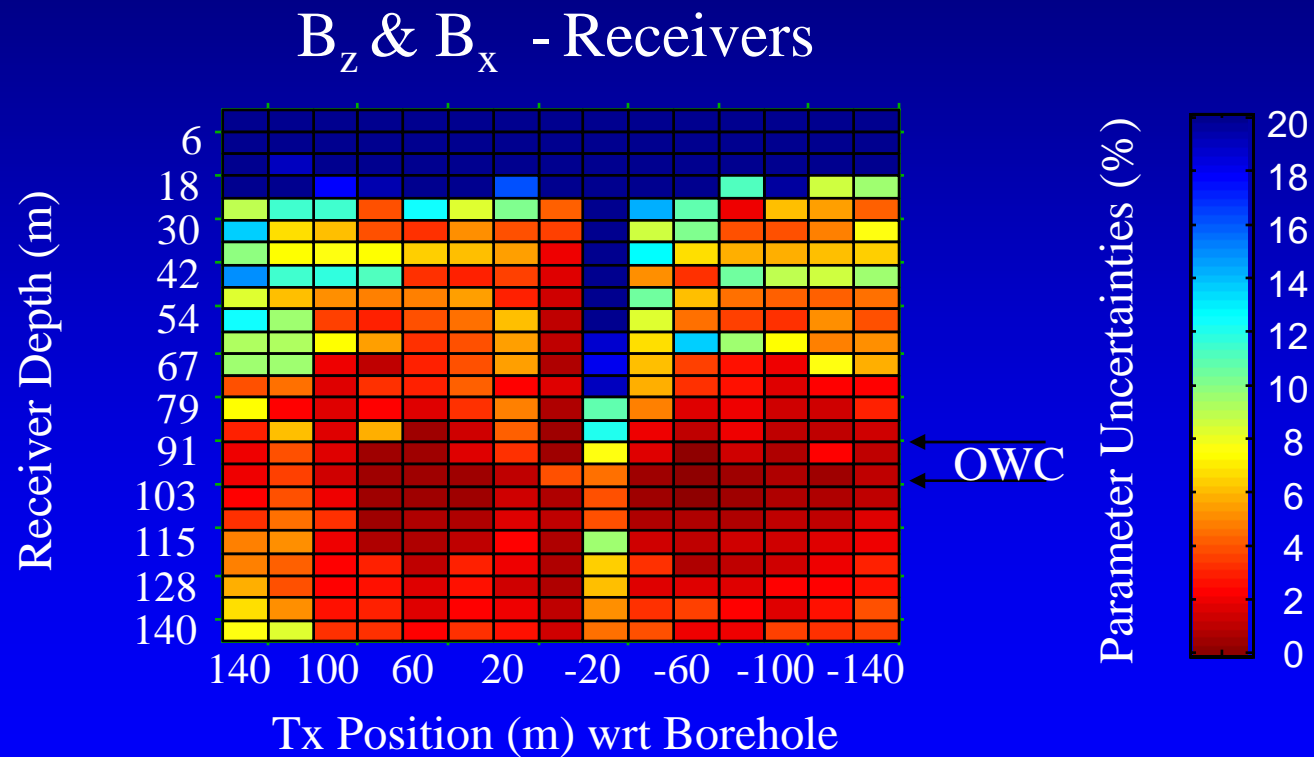


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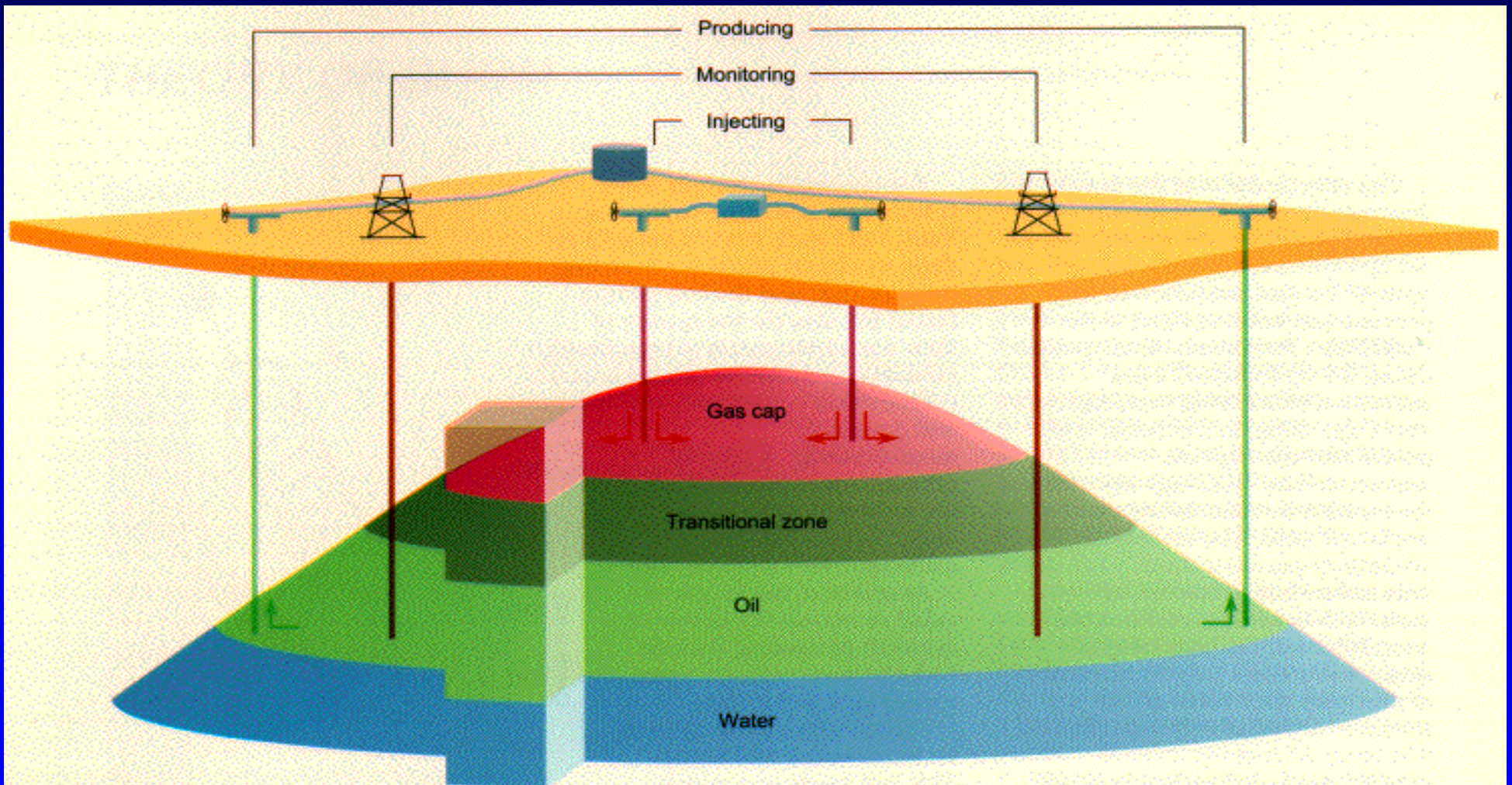
# Oil-Water Contact model - EM



# EM - Resolution Analysis - OWC Model



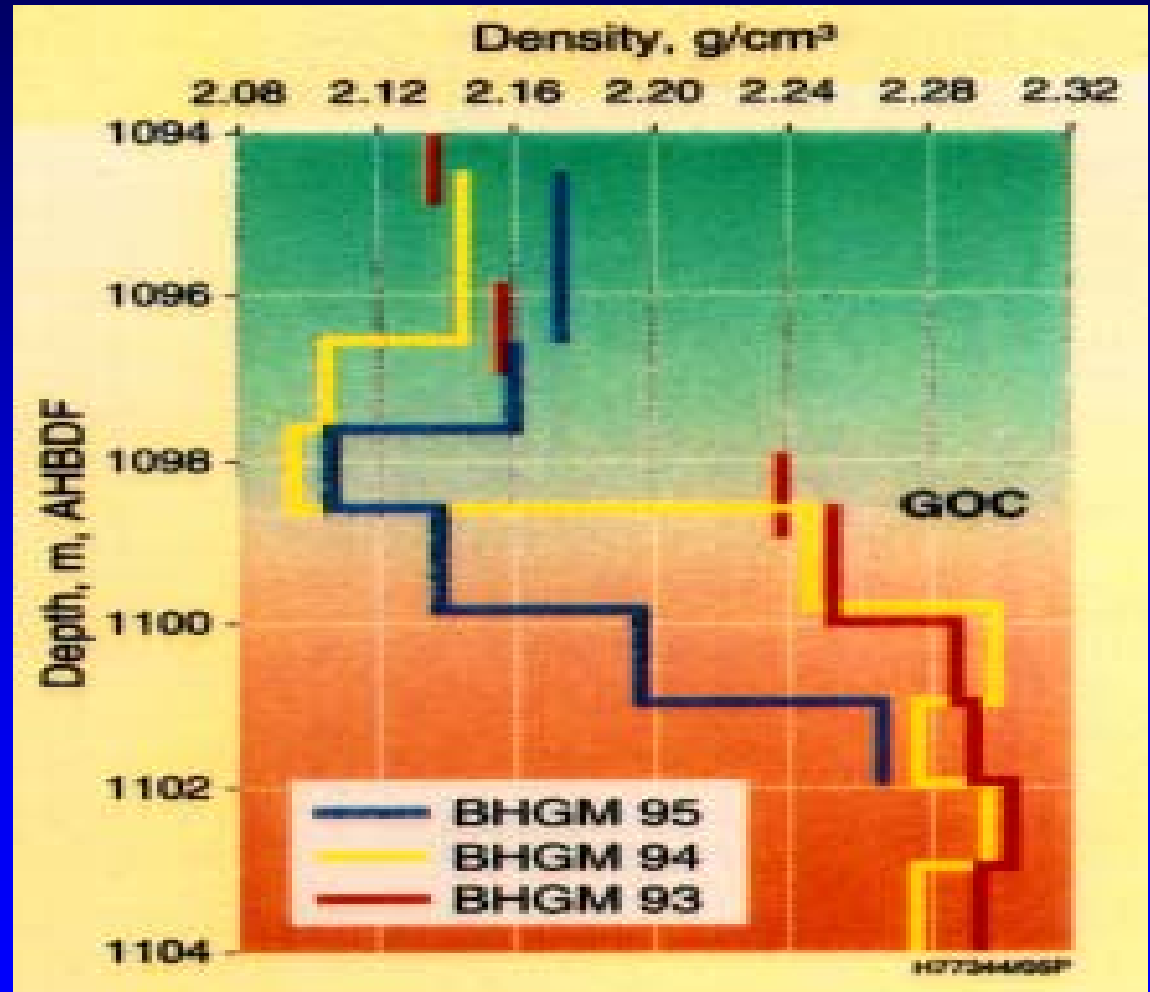
# Traditional Oil and Gas production



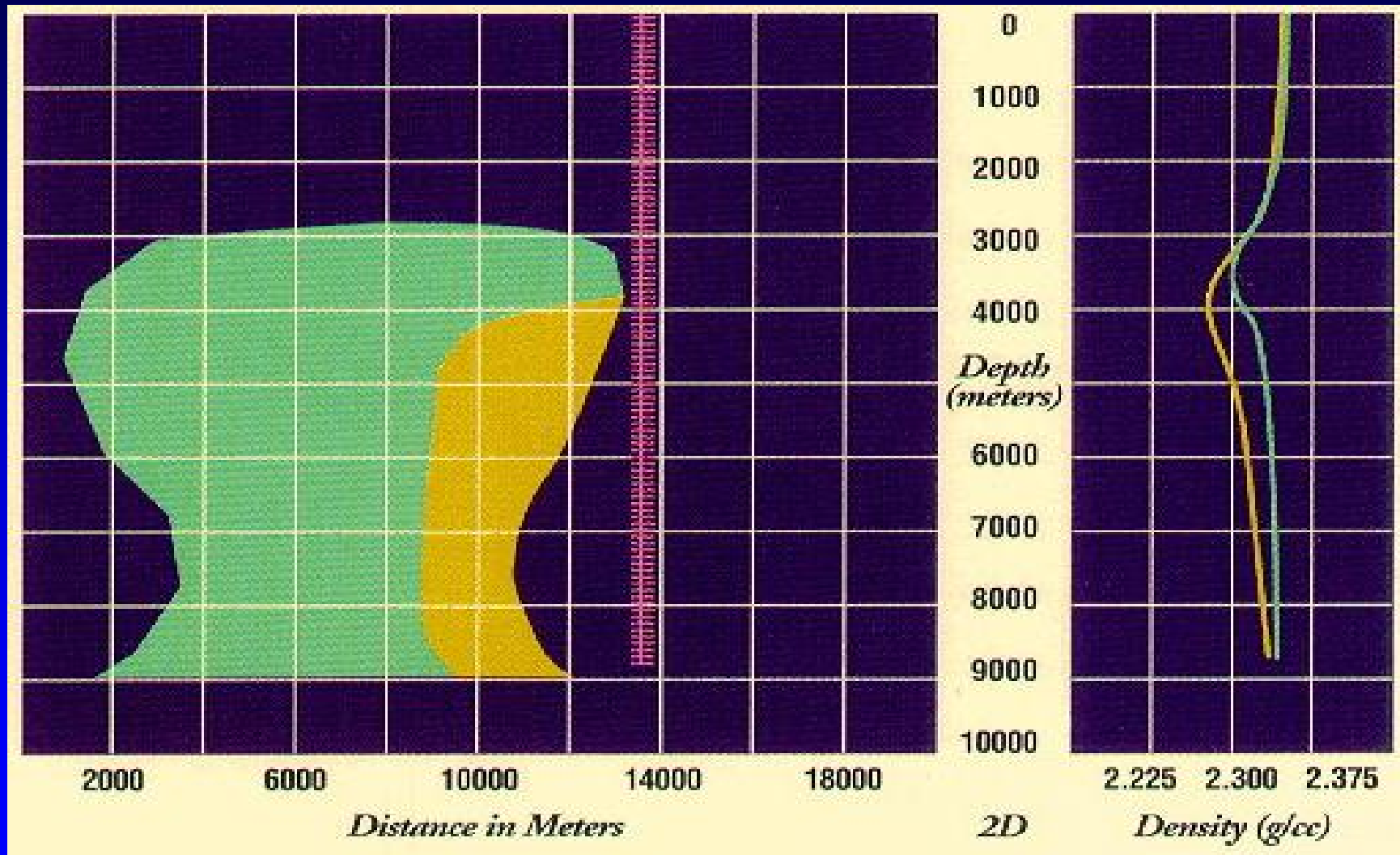
# BHGM-Derived Densities for 3 Annual Surveys in the RABI Oil-Rim

Repeat BHGM densities across Rabbi field gas/oil contact in Gabon.

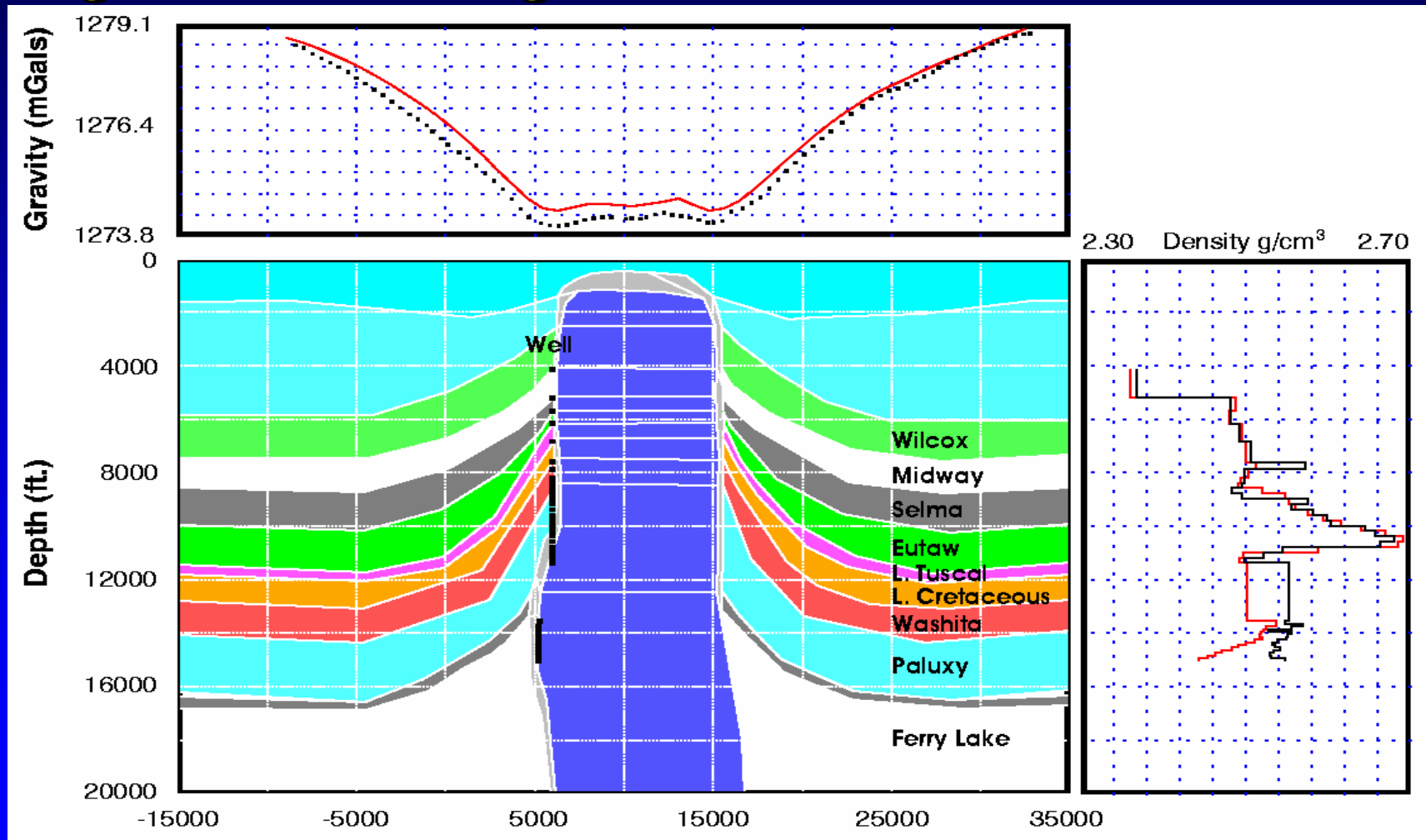
Porosity: 24%,  
Gas  $\rho$  : 0.082 g/cc,  
Oil  $\rho$  : 0.780 g/cc.



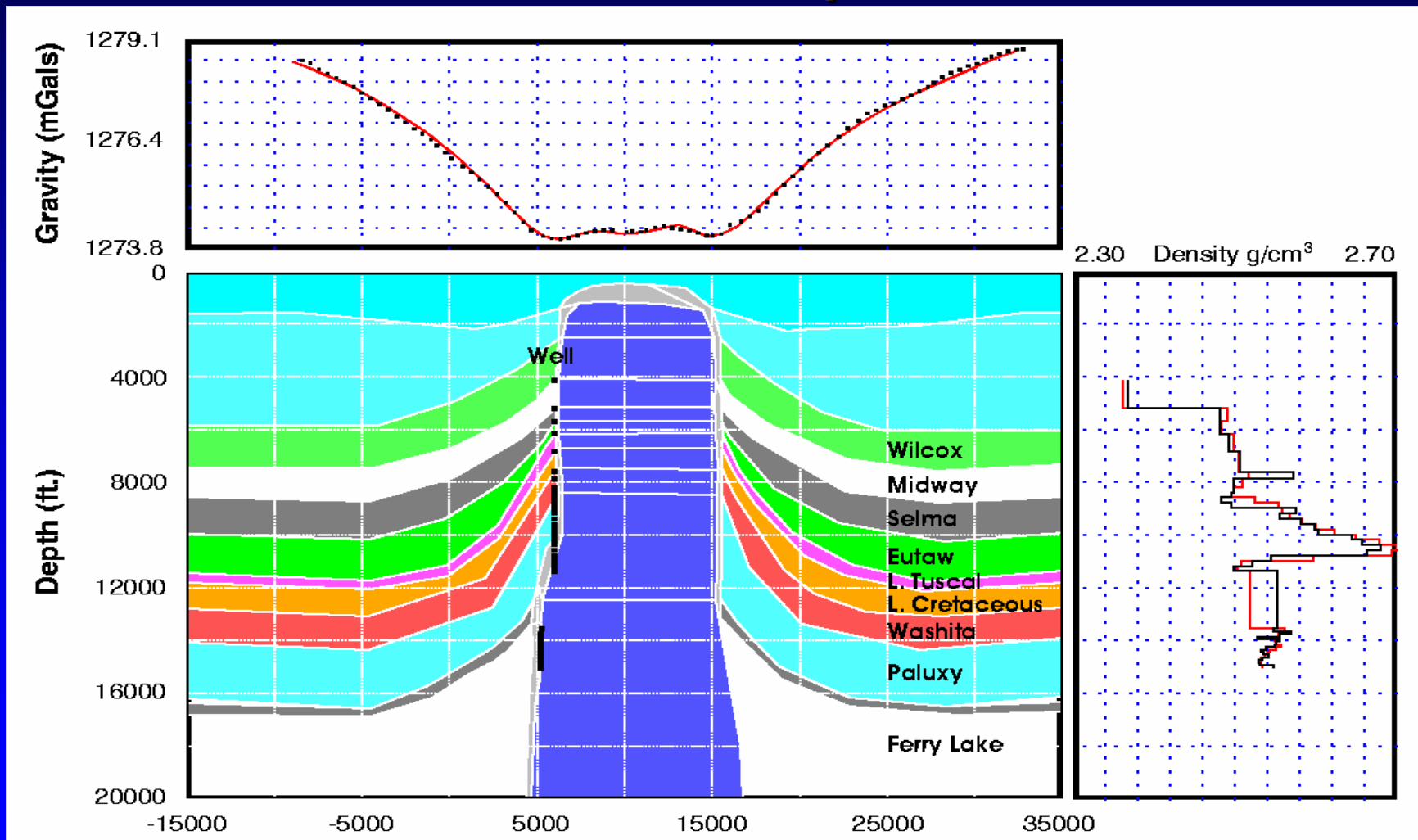
# Structural Effect of Salt Overhang



# BHGM field (black) & model (red) response to Slight Overhang



# Final interpreted Shape of Salt Dome with field and model BHGM responses

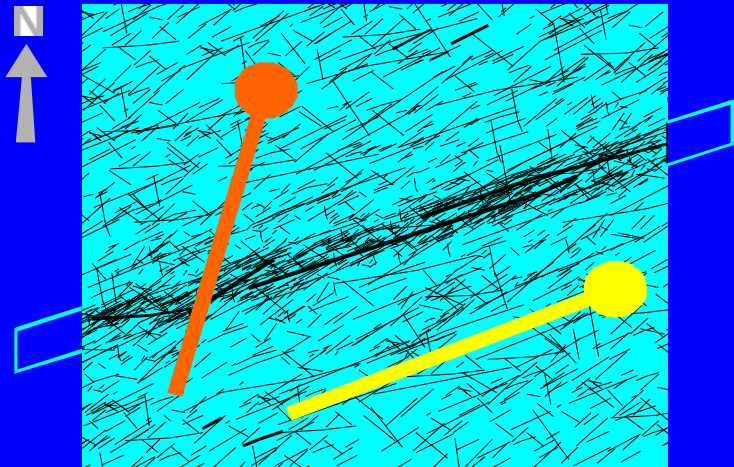


# Sub-seismic fractures from STAR

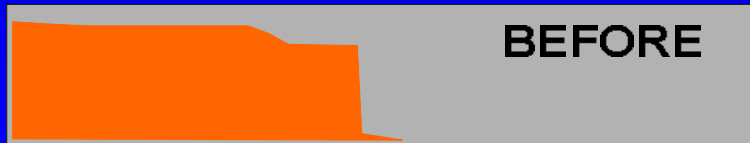
## POST-STUDY DRILLING STRATEGY

Avoid 'super fractures' with injectors and producers - ENE well trajectories

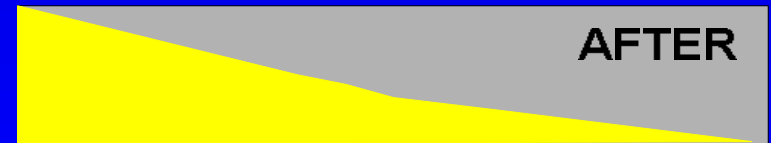
Maximize contact with matrix and small fractures - inclined wells



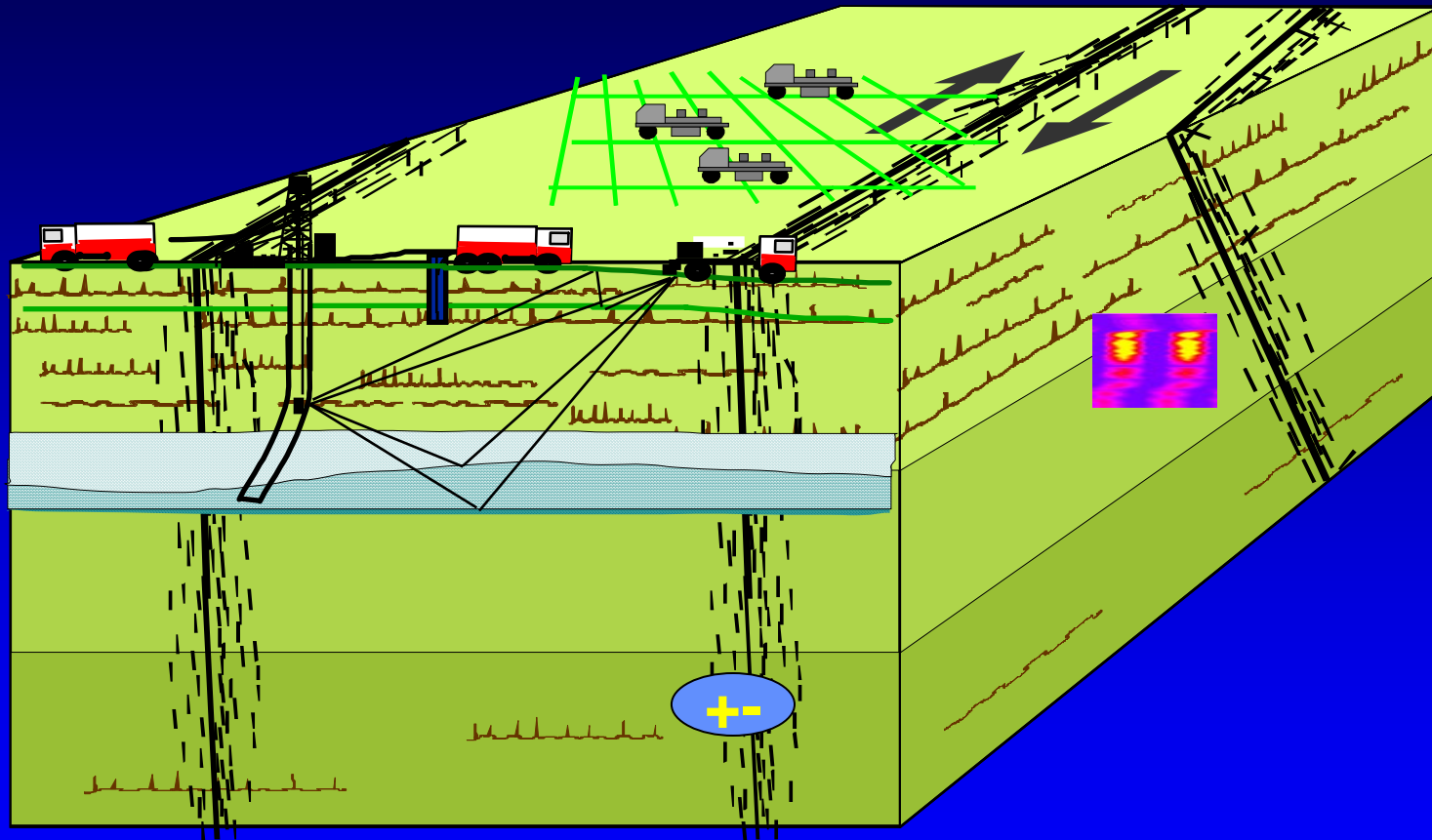
Production Log



Production Log

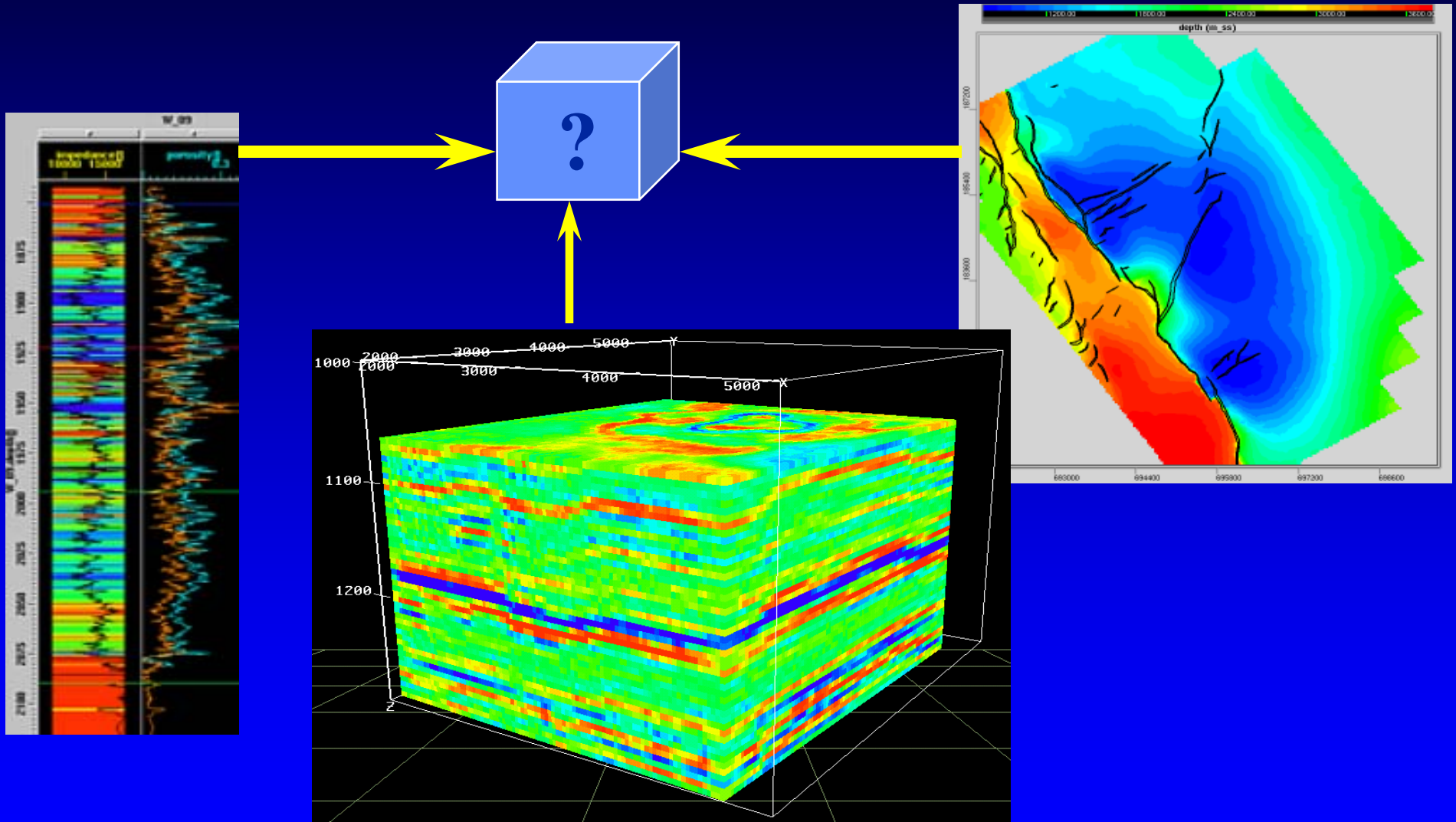


# Fractured reservoir example



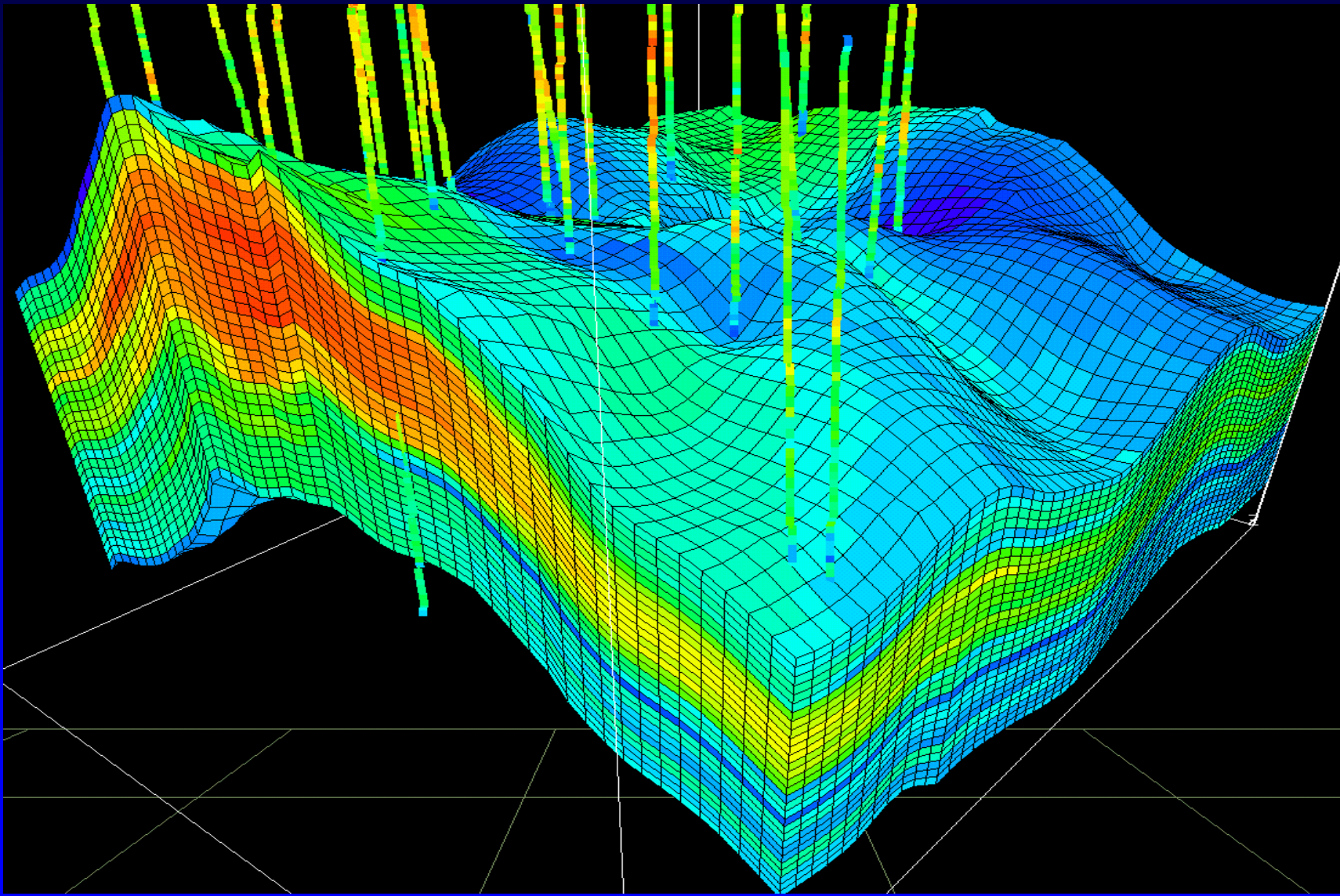
Shear fractures

# Creating the 3-D Reservoir Model



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# Geostatistically-Derived Porosity Model



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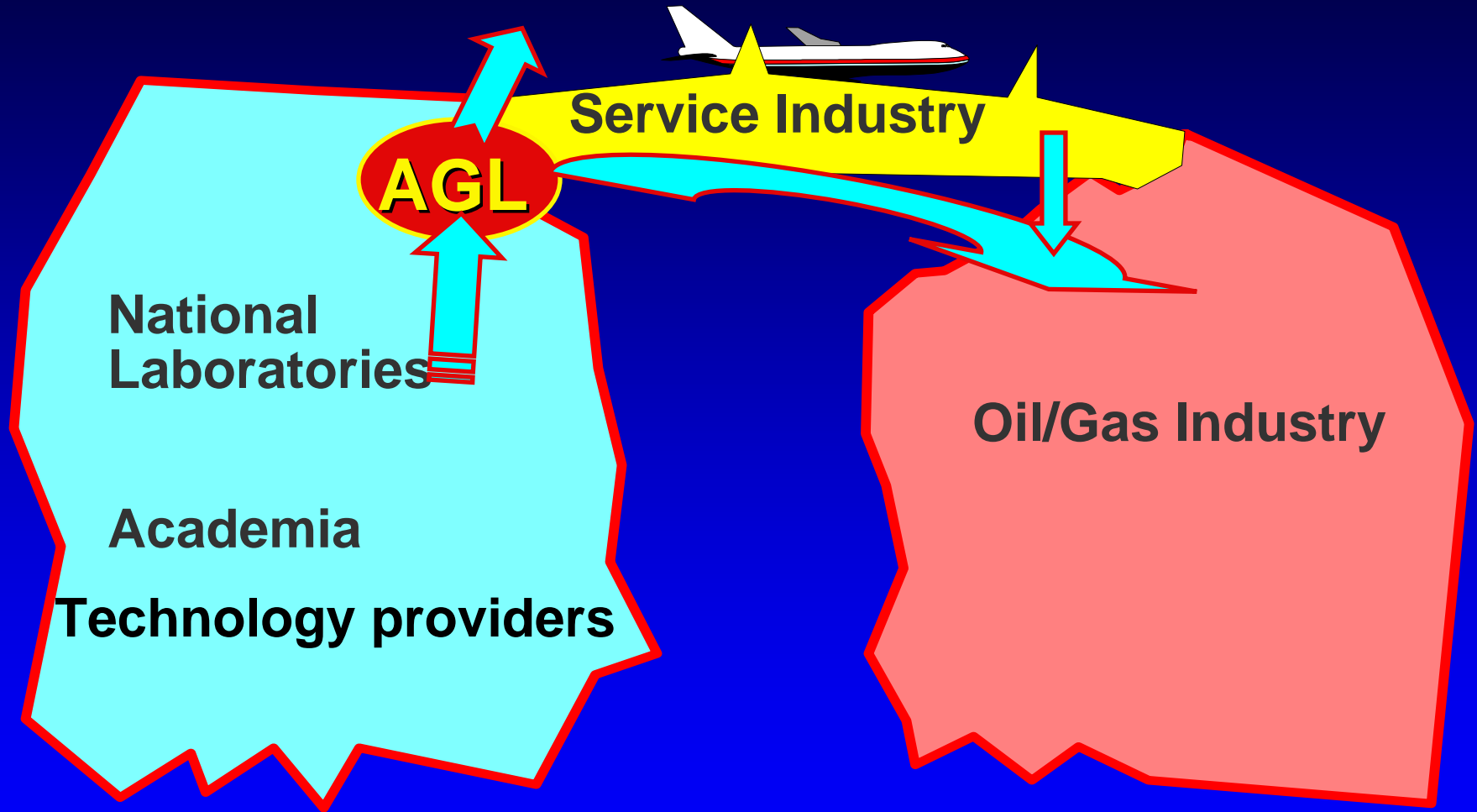
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# Conclusions

- **Advances driven by state-of-the-art**
- **Economic drive fuels the progress**
- **Integration provides added value**
- **General technologies (i.e. computing) will provide environment & continuous changes**
- **Objective: populations of 3D cube (tie to geology & seismic)**

# What would I do???



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