

# Introductions and Overview

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# Course Overview

## Day 1

### **Session 1: Introductions, Need, Workflow, & Data**

**The Brain Exercise: Workflow Design Exercise**

### **Session 2: Acquisition-Processing-Interpretation ties to Subsurface Properties**

**SketchUp Exercise: Freeware 3-D Models of Legacy Data for Interpretation**

**SALNOR Workshop: 3-D seismic interpretation of North Sea physical model data**

## Day 2

### **Session 3: Interpreting structure, stratigraphy, salt, fault shadows for exploration, reservoir delineation, documentation, and display**

**Contouring Exercise: Importance of 3-D when contouring**

**Carbonate Outcrop Workshop: Importance of Outcrop Analogs to guide interpretation**

**Carbonate Patterns Workshop: Analog Examples to Guide Interpretation**

### **Session 4: Seismic Attributes tie to structure, stratigraphy, reservoir delineation**

**ResolveGeo Exercise: SeisShow Interactive Attribute Analysis Center Field, WY**

## Day 3

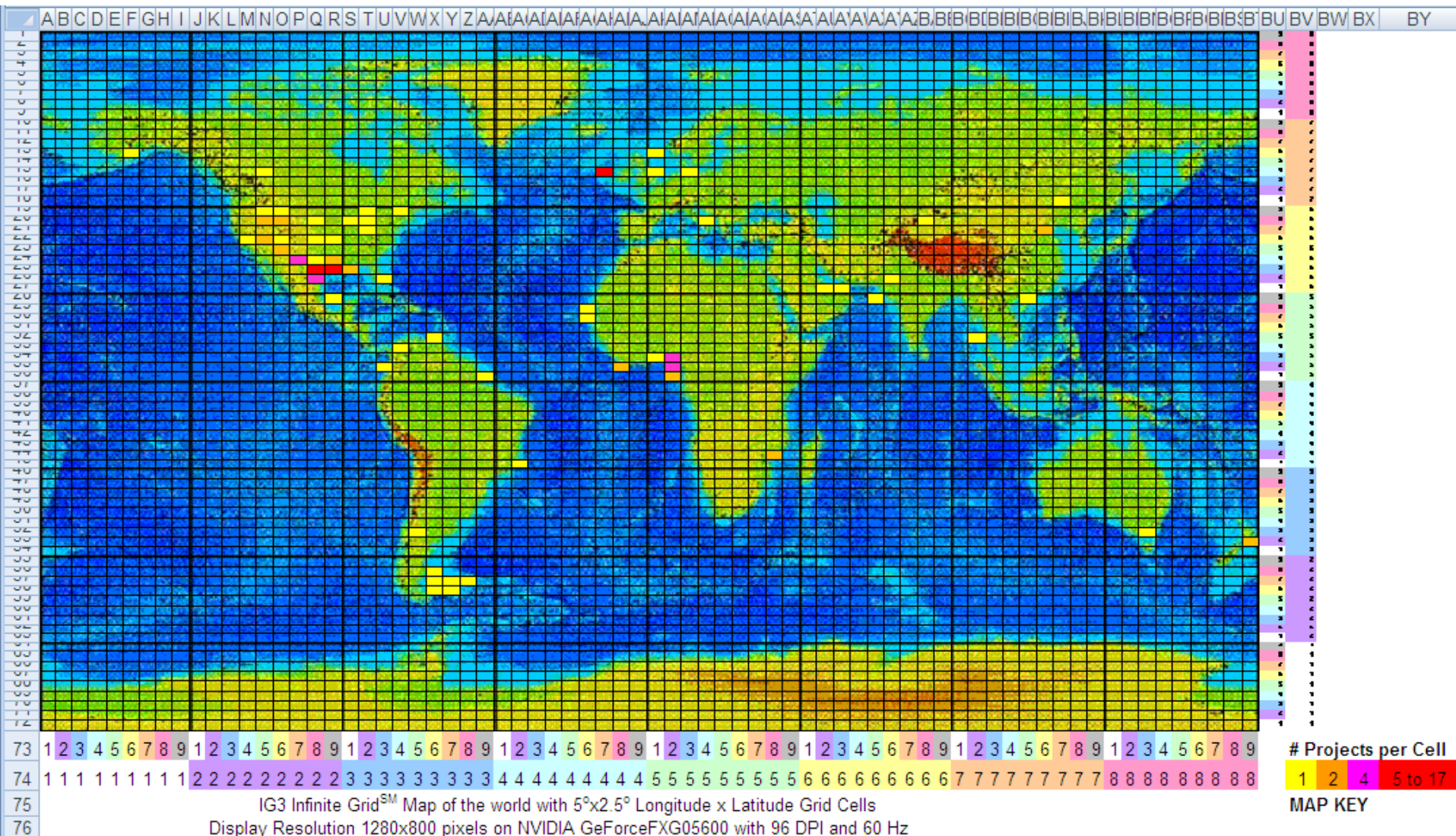
### **Session 5: Reservoir Characterization and Advanced Interpretation**

### **Session 6: Seismic Exploration and Reservoir Evaluation Breakthroughs**

# Day 1 Session 1

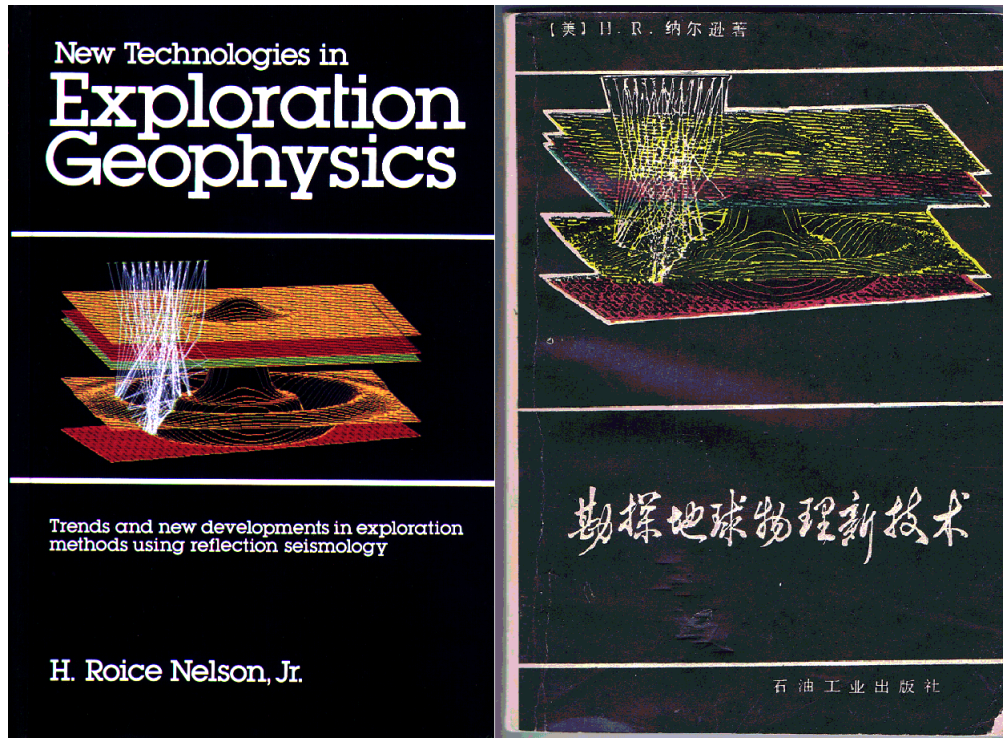
- Introductions
- Need for seismic analysis and reservoir analysis
- Interpretation workflow
- Data to integrate with seismic interpretations
  - Satellite data
  - Gravity and magnetic data
  - Geochemistry data
  - Lightning and other electromagnetic data
  - Well cuttings (cores)
  - Well logs and image logs
  - Temperature and pressure data
  - Reservoir parameters
  - Production histories
- Overview of worldwide case histories to be covered
- Overview of practical seismology solutions for carbonate terrains

# Introductions: Roice's Projects





# Founder Landmark Graphics Corporation



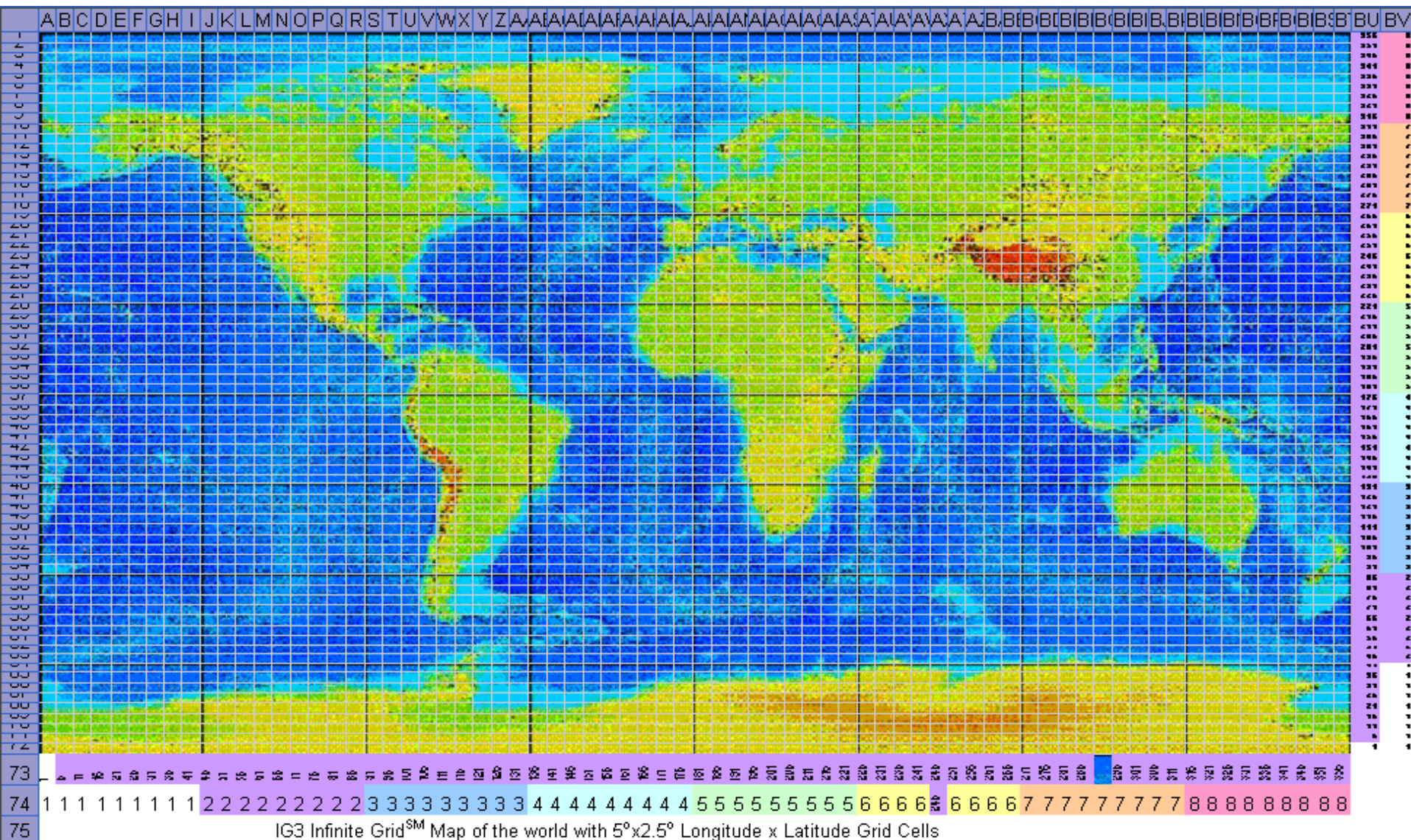
Landmark Graphics was founded in July 1982 at a time when 3-D seismic interpretation was performed on massive, expensive mainframe computers. Its four founders — Roice Nelson, Andy Hildebrand, John Mouton and Bob Limbaugh — set their sights on delivering innovation that would create new opportunities and significant value for clients. Combining their skills with a vision of what the future could be led to Landmark revolutionizing the oil and gas industry with an affordable "console-sized" workstation from which geoscientists could more quickly and accurately visualize and interpret their 3-D seismic data.

Landmark has historically been an international company. Its first three systems were shipped to BHP in Melbourne, Australia, Enterprise Oil [actually ICI Petroleum] in London and Sun Oil in Dallas. Since the beginning, Landmark and its acquired companies have shipped more than 75,000 software licenses to more than 90 percent of the world's largest oil and gas companies worldwide.

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# Introductions: Attendee Circle Your Project Locations

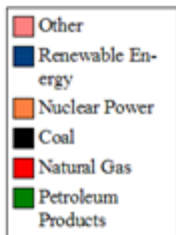
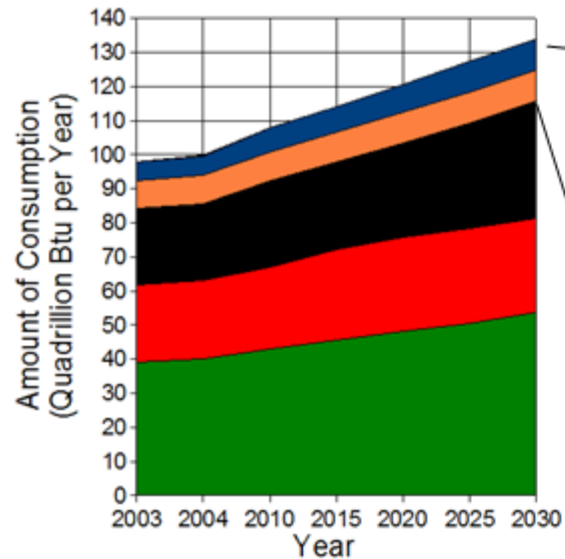


# Three-Dimensional Seismic Surveys

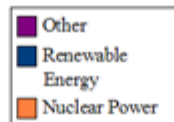
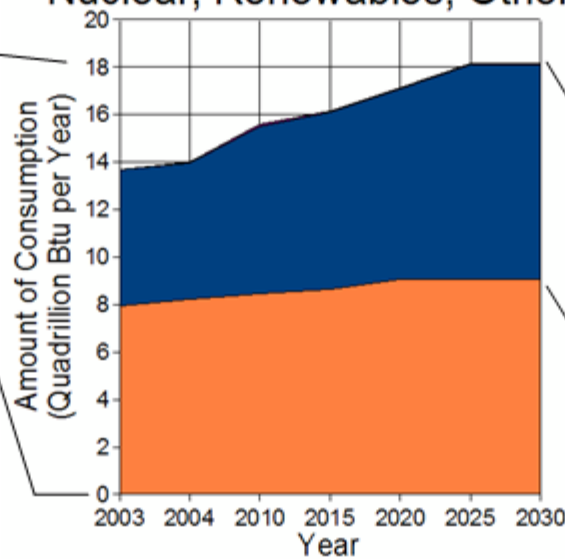
- Continue to revolutionize the geophysical industry helping to find new energy.
- Are a powerful tool for imaging the subsurface.
- Demonstrating high cost/benefit ratios:
  - Reducing dry-hole risk; and
  - Providing better well placement for flow rates and drainage.
- Improve reserves estimates.
- Shorten cycle times for appraisal and development project planning.

# Need Driven by Energy Consumption

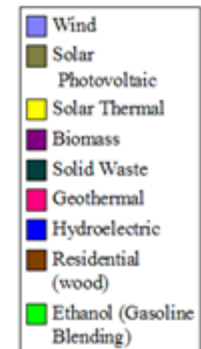
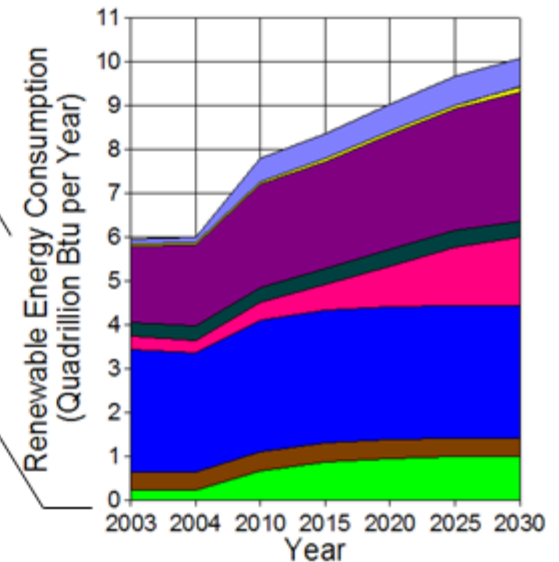
Energy Consumption



Energy Consumption: Nuclear; Renewables; Other



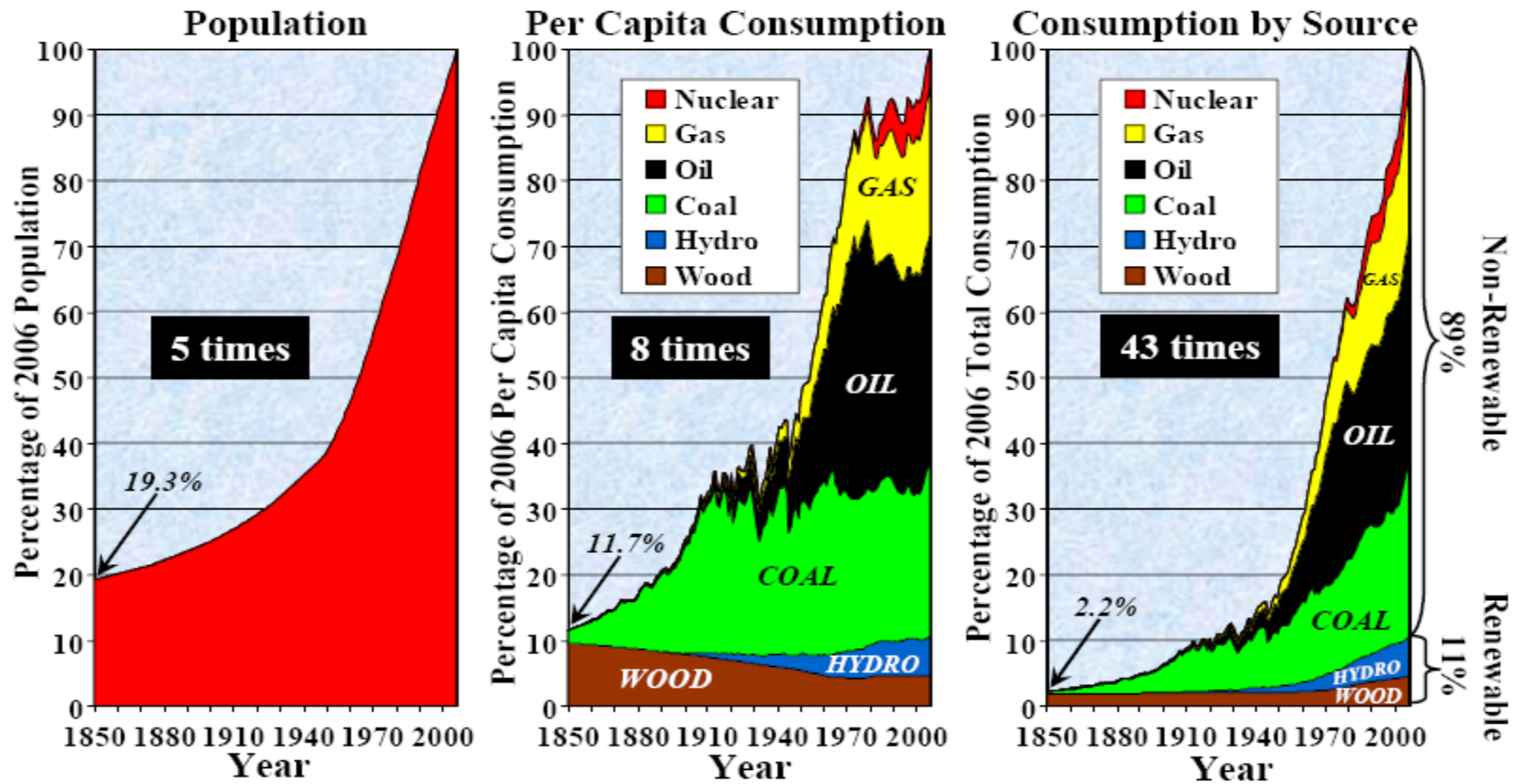
Renewable Energy Consumption





# Which Consumption Continues to Grow

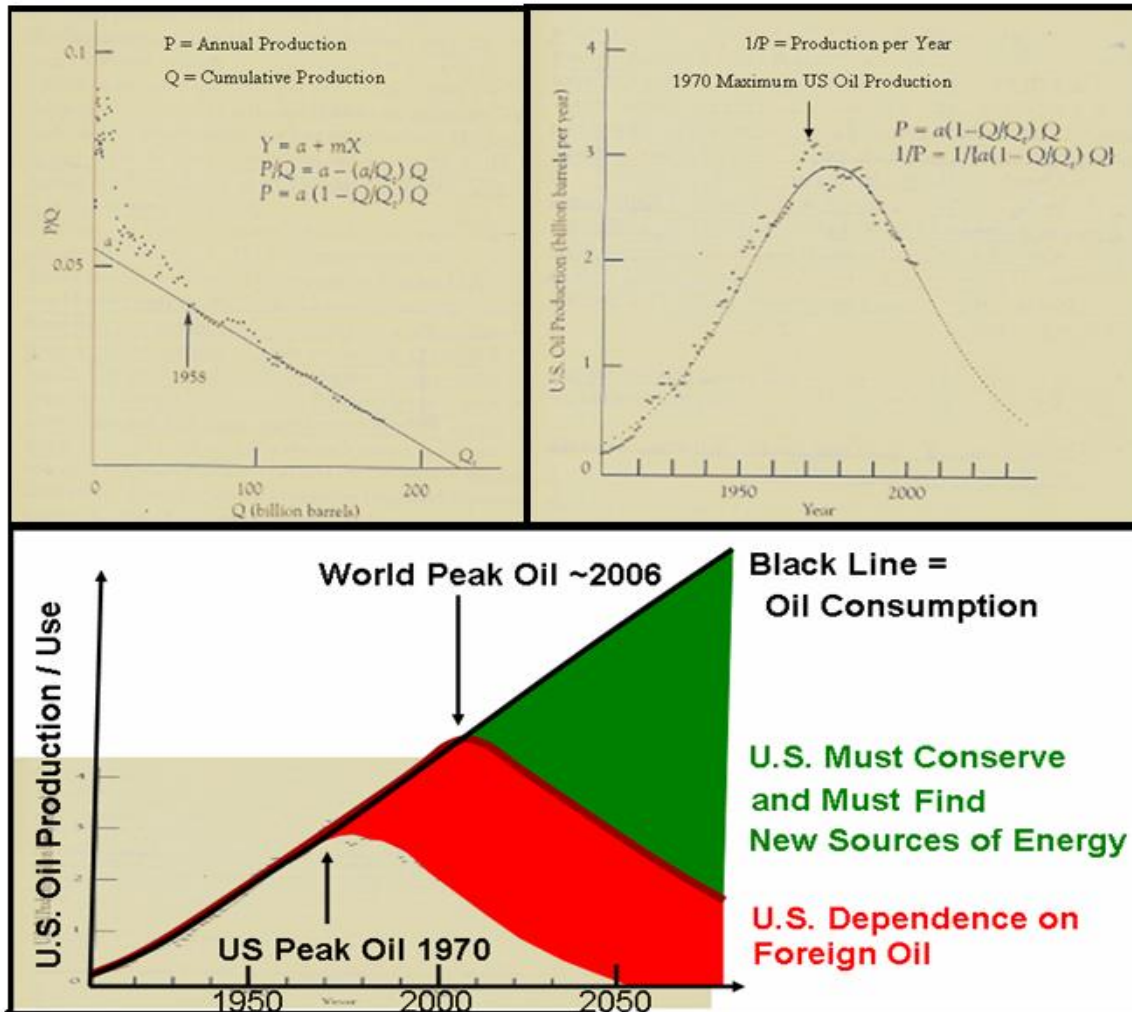
## World Population, Per Capita and Primary Energy Consumption, 1850-2006, as a Percentage of 2006 Levels



(data from Arnulf Grubler, 1998; BP Statistical Review of World Energy, 2007; U.S. Bureau of Census, 2006)

# All of which is tied to Peak Oil

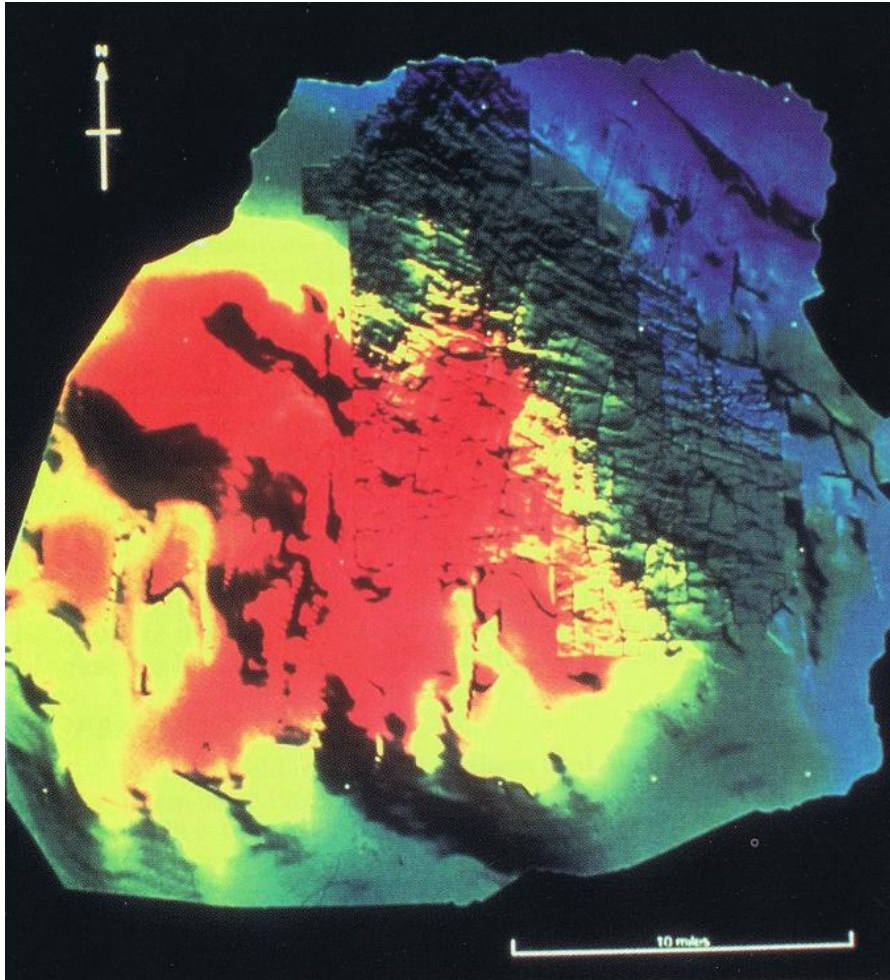
M. King Hubbert published this geostatistical summary of oil production in 1969.



# Definitions

- **Interactive:** finding an answer before forgetting the question.
- **Three-Dimensional:**
  - Line, Trace, Offset
  - Line, Trace, Time
  - Line, Trace, Attribute
  - Line, Trace, Angle
  - • • •
- **Interpretation:** integrating all available data and reducing large data volumes to create a geological model for an economic prospect with acceptable risk.

# Top of Kuparuk field, North Alaska



## To Find an Economic Prospect with Acceptable Risk:

- Structural High
- Fracture System
- Source
- Seal
- Trap
- Migration
- Timing
- Reservoir
- Rule of Law

Image: E.O. Nestvold in **Application of 3-D Seismic Data to Exploration and Production**, page 6, data from BP Exploration (Alaska) and Arco.



# The Need for Seismic Analysis

- Is shown by the fact many companies will not drill a well now without a 3-D seismic survey.
- Was initially so expensive it was only used by major oil companies, and 3-D seismic is now routinely used among independents and national oil companies.
- Has had limited documentation of successes, like most new and emerging technologies.
- Has grown because 3-D seismic images provide a clear definition of the subsurface for the first time;

# The Need for Reservoir Analysis

- 3-D seismic meets oil company requirements for low-risk ways to increase reserves, and by increasing reserves oil companies reduce finding costs.
- 3-D seismic reduces development costs by improving drilling success rates dramatically.
- 3-D seismic rejuvenating producing fields, even fields with hundreds of wells and declining production profiles.
- 3-D seismic integrates technology because all disciplines use them as a basis for reservoir modeling during the life history of each field, including by repeat 3-D surveys.

# Interpretation Workflow

## Best Practices Bridge Different Perspectives

Leadership Perspective (community needs)					
Vision	Strategy Drivers	Key Value Indicators	Critical Performance Factors	Success	Competencies
Customer Requirements	Plan	Value Creators	Performance Evaluation and Areas	Actions	Knowledge
Organization Perspective (end user needs)					

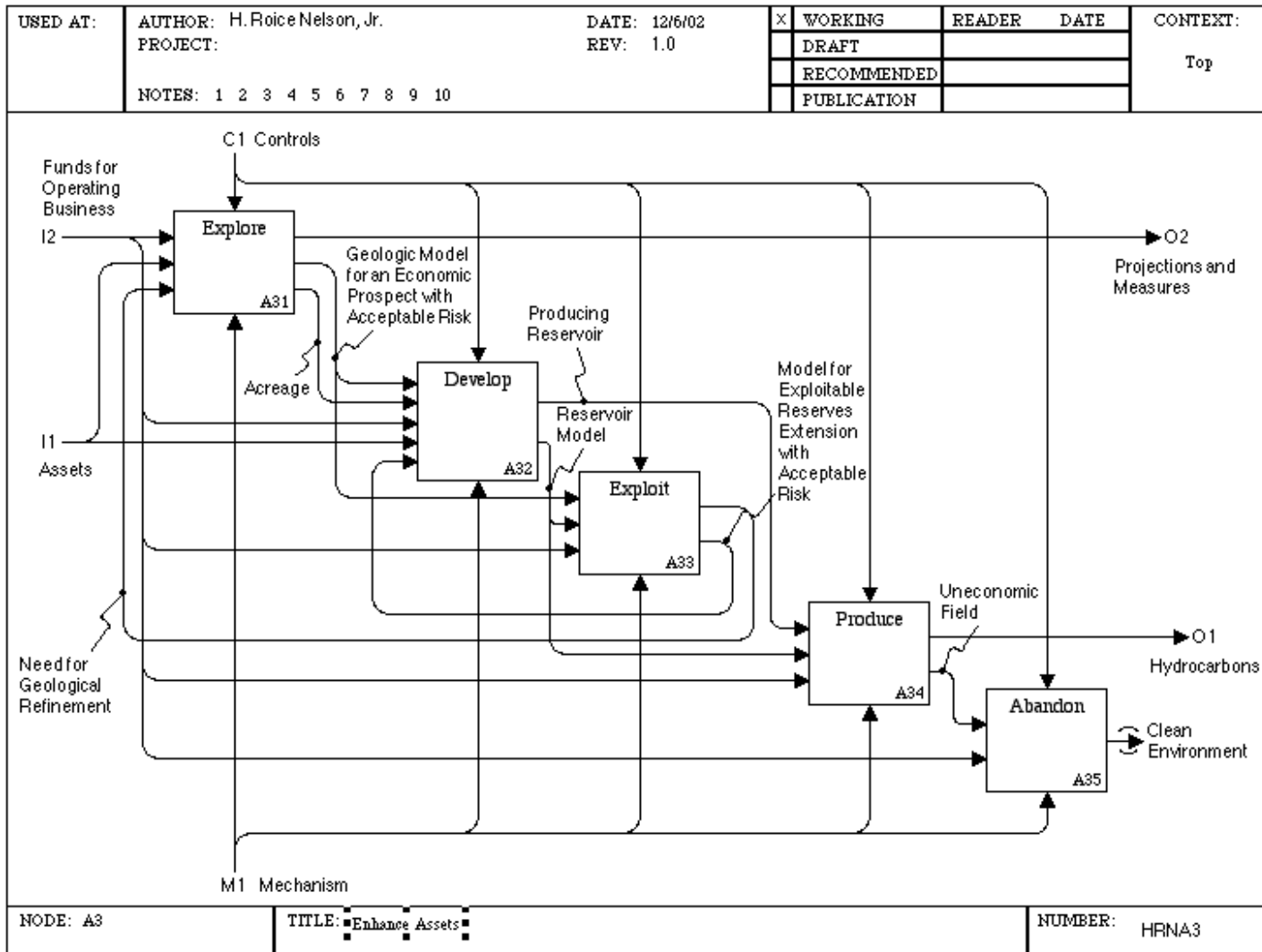
# Interpretation Workflow

## The IDEF Big Picture

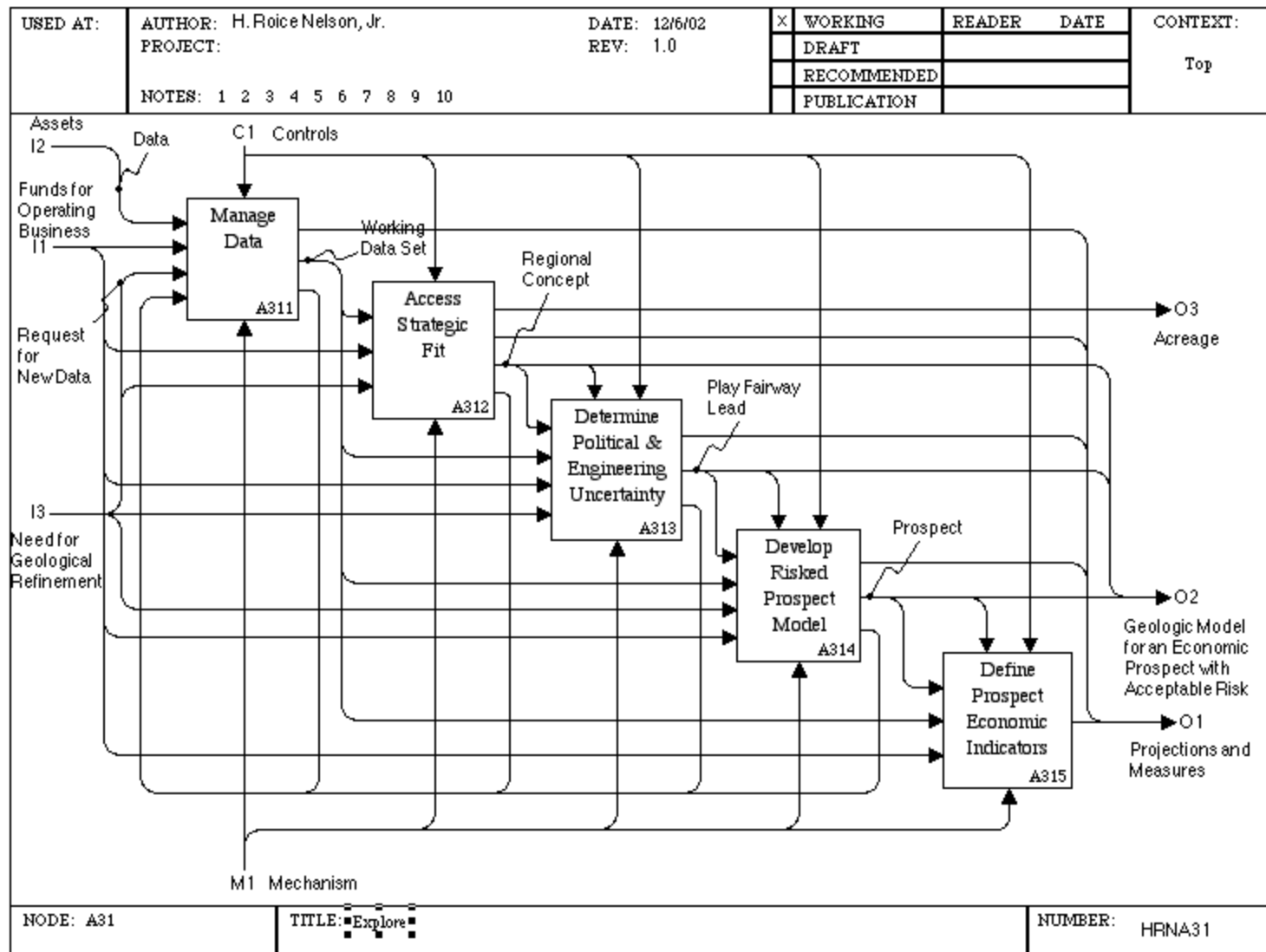
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IDEF-1	Information / Data Modeling
IDEF-2	Simulation Modeling
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IDEF-3	Process Description Capture
IDEF-4	Object Oriented Design
IDEF-5	Ontology Description Capture
IDEF-6	Design Rationale Capture
IDEF-7	Information System Audit Method
IDEF-8	User Interface Modeling
IDEF-9	Scenario Driven Information System Design Specification
IDEF-10	Implementation Architecture Modeling
IDEF-11	Information Artifact Modeling
IDEF-12	Organization Modeling
IDEF-13	Three Schema Mapping Design
IDEF-14	Network Design



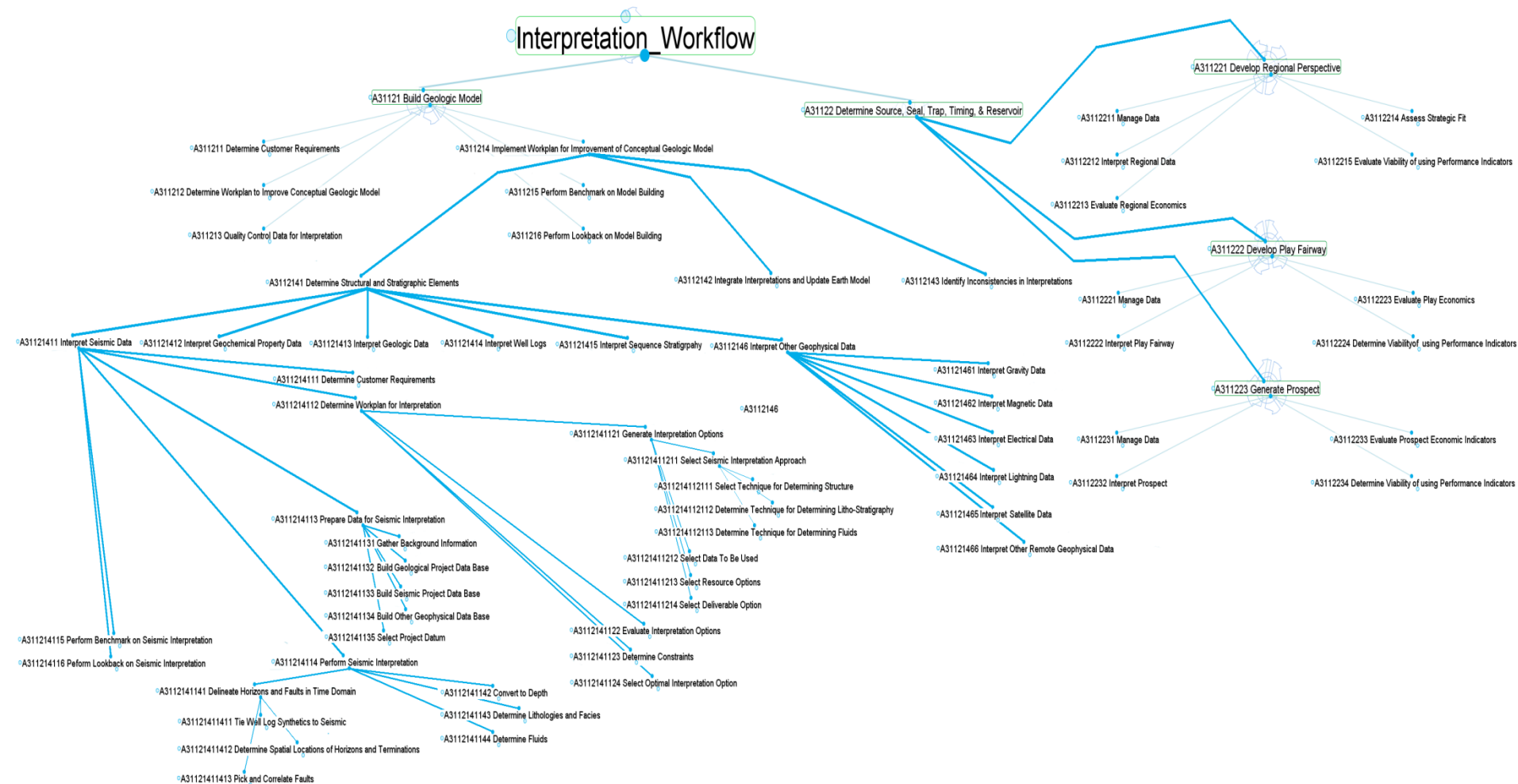
# IDEF 1-X Interpretation Workflow



# Interpretation Workflow Decomposed



# Interpretation Workflow – The Brain



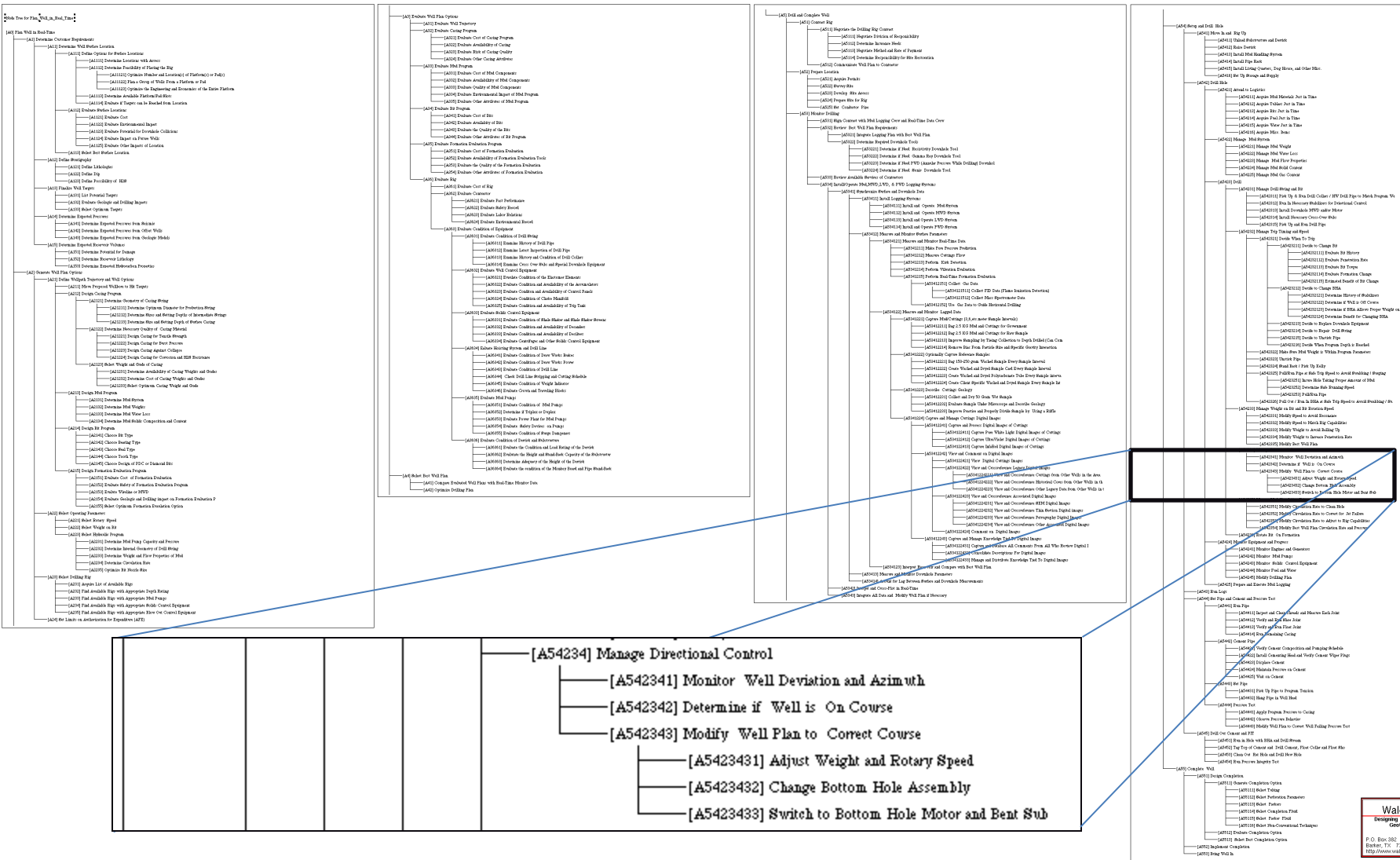
# Interpretation Workflow – KB

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6	A3	Enhance Assets																					
7	A31	Explore and Produce																					
8	A311	Explore																					
9	A3111	Build Working Data Set																					
10	A3112	Develop Geologic Model for an Economic Prospect with Acceptable Risk																					
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13	A311212	Determine Workplan to Improve Conceptual Geologic Model																					
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# KB of Real Time Drilling

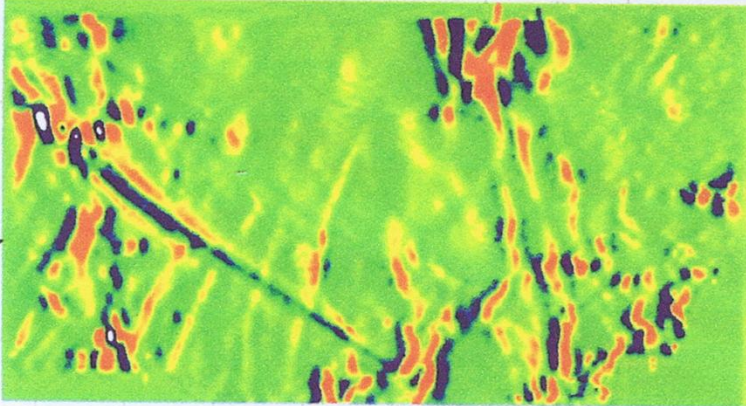


# Data To Integrate with Seismic Interpretations

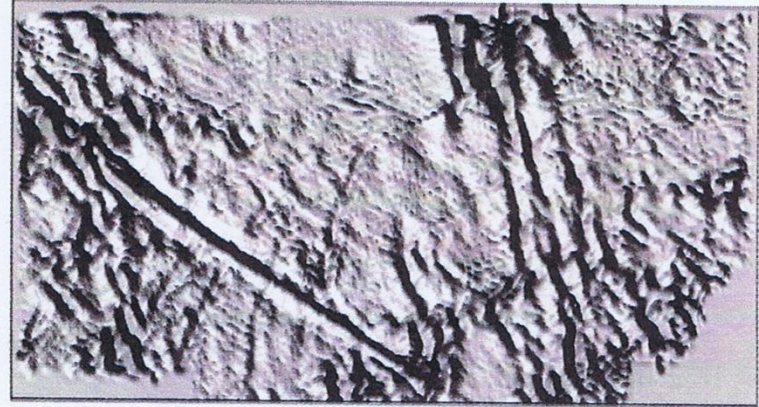
- Satellite data
- Gravity and magnetic data
- Geochemistry data
- CSEM, Lightning, and other electromagnetic data
- Well cuttings (cores)
- Well logs
- Image Logs
- Temperature and Pressure Data
- Reservoir parameters
- Production Histories

# Aeromagnetic Displays used for Basement Mapping

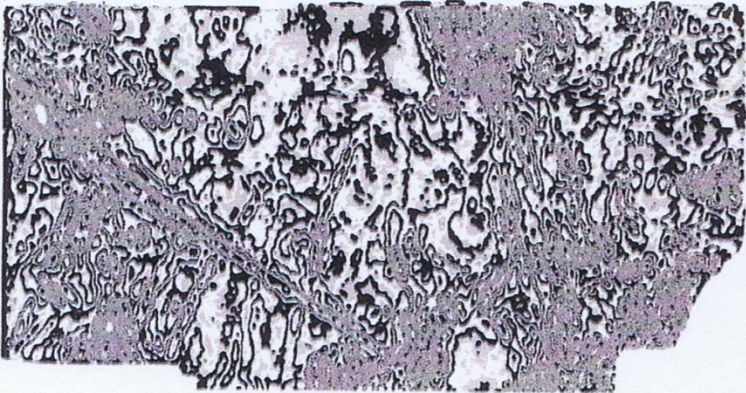
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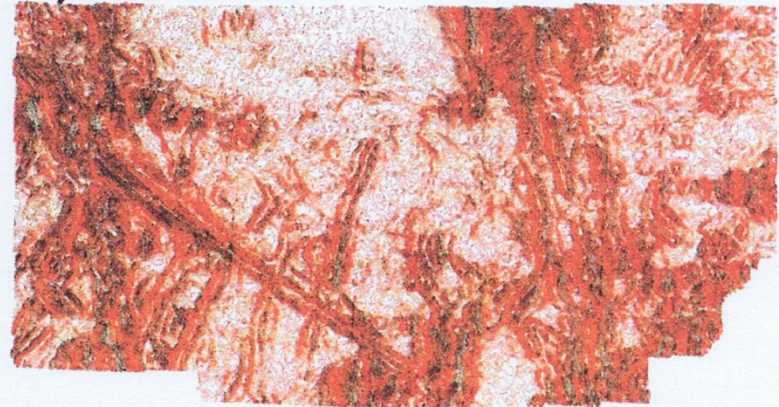
**3) Shade Relief**



**2) Black & White Banded\***



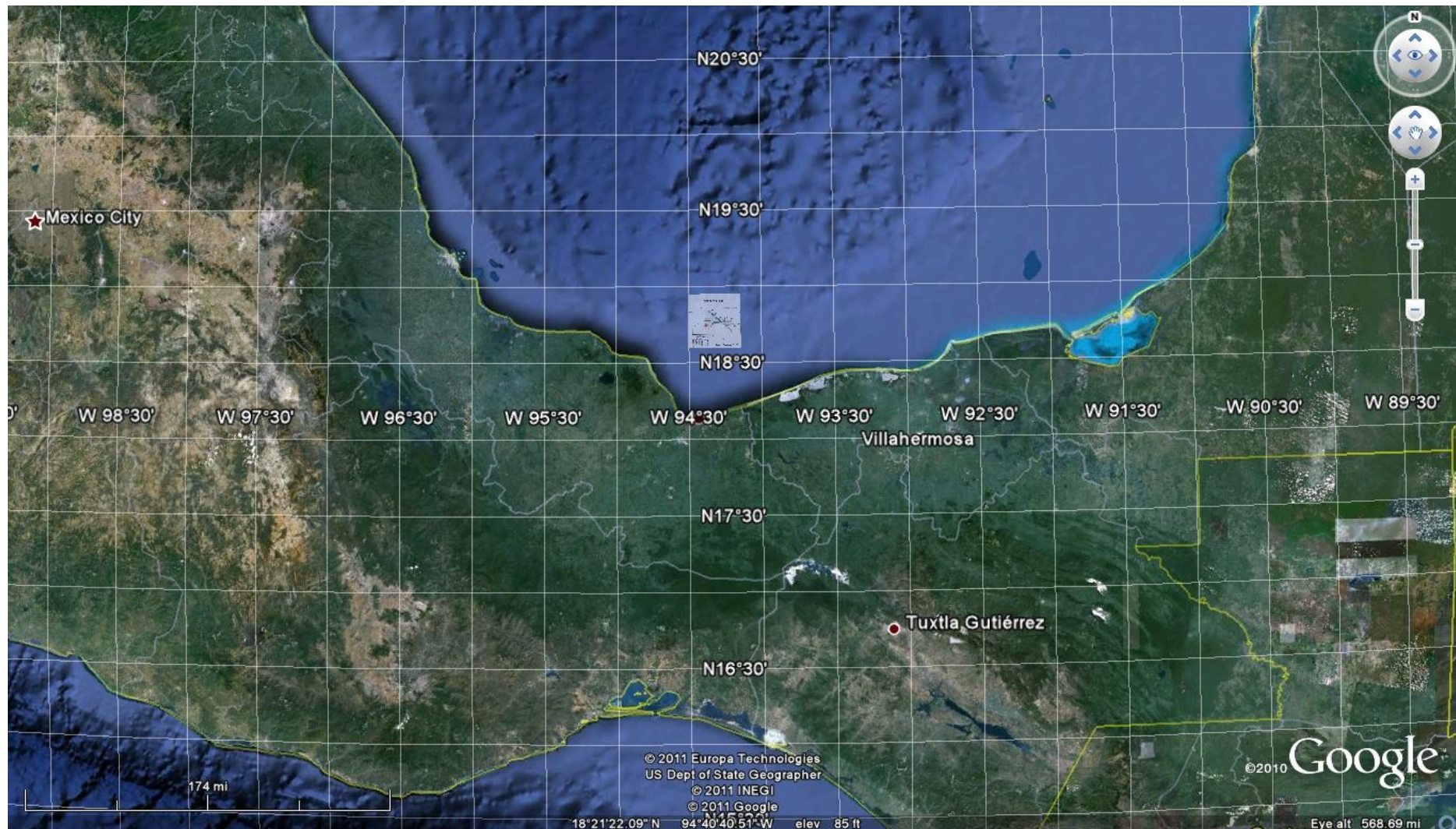
**4) Stereo 3D\***



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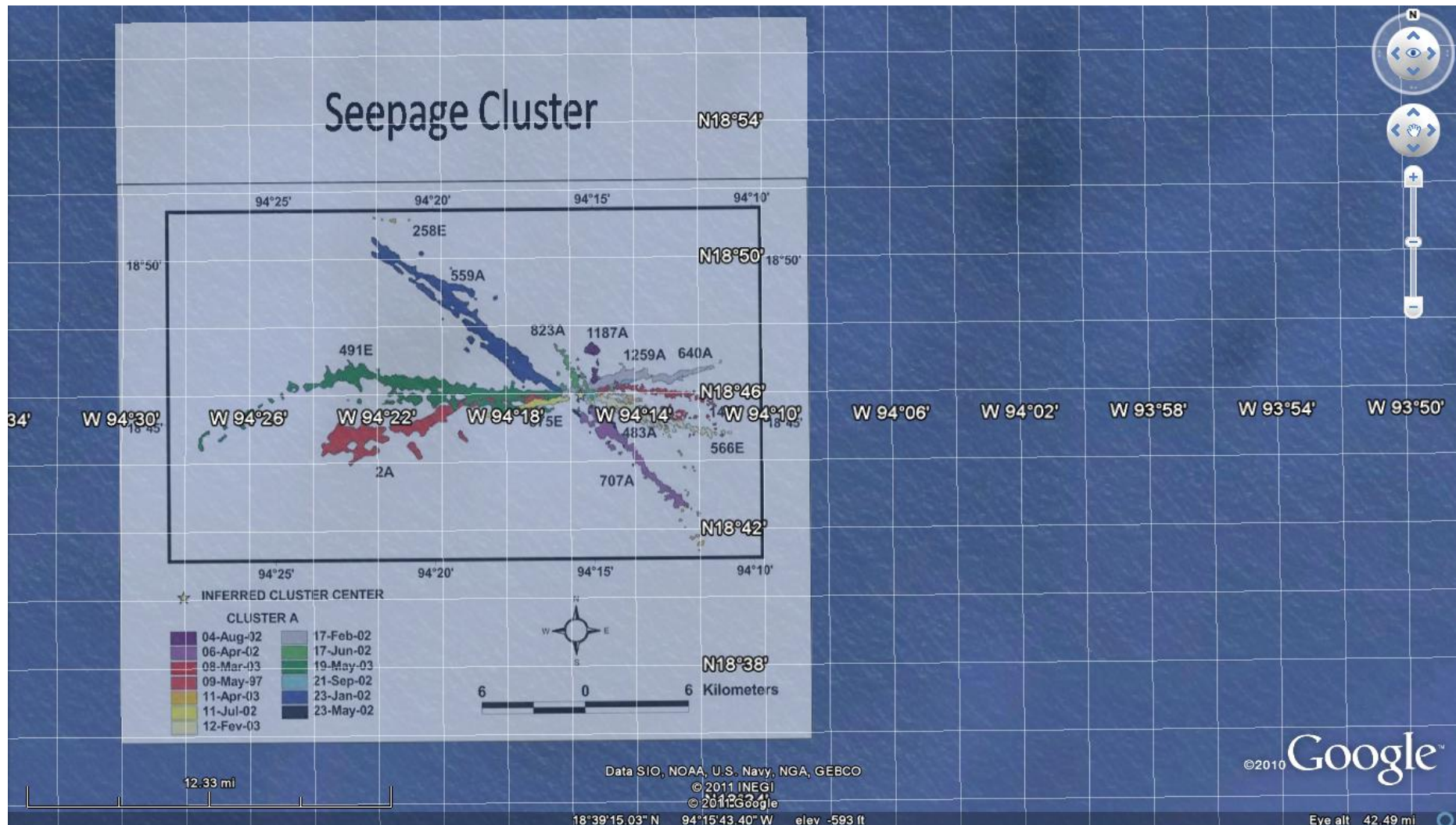


# Satellite Data





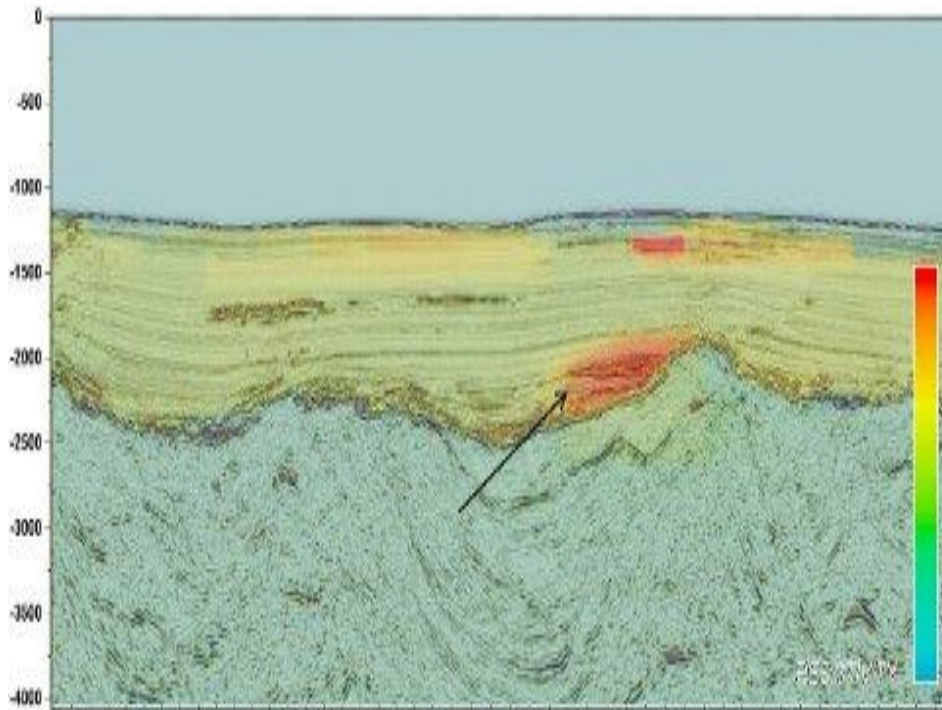
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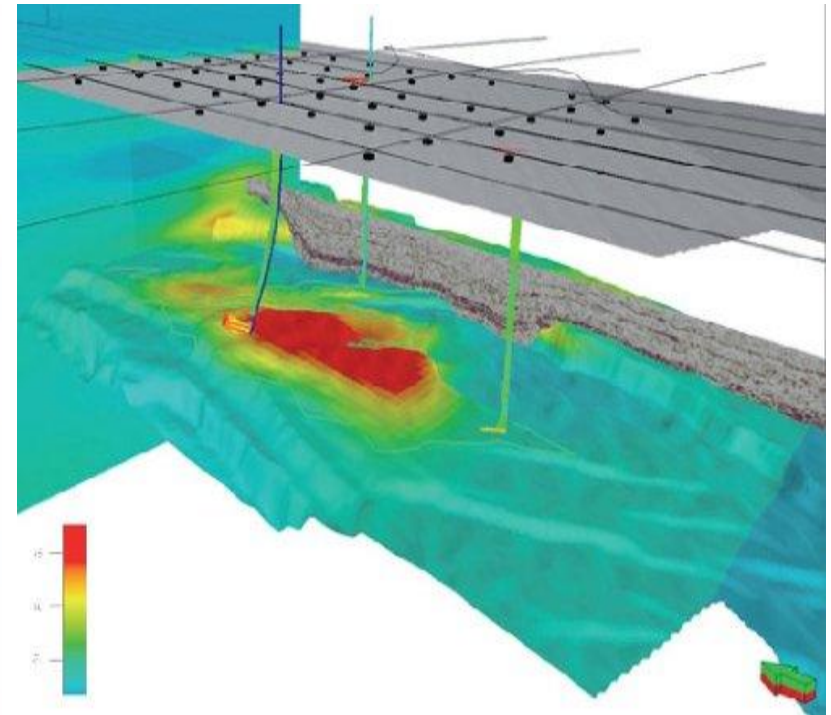


# CSEM

## Controlled Source ElectroMagnetics



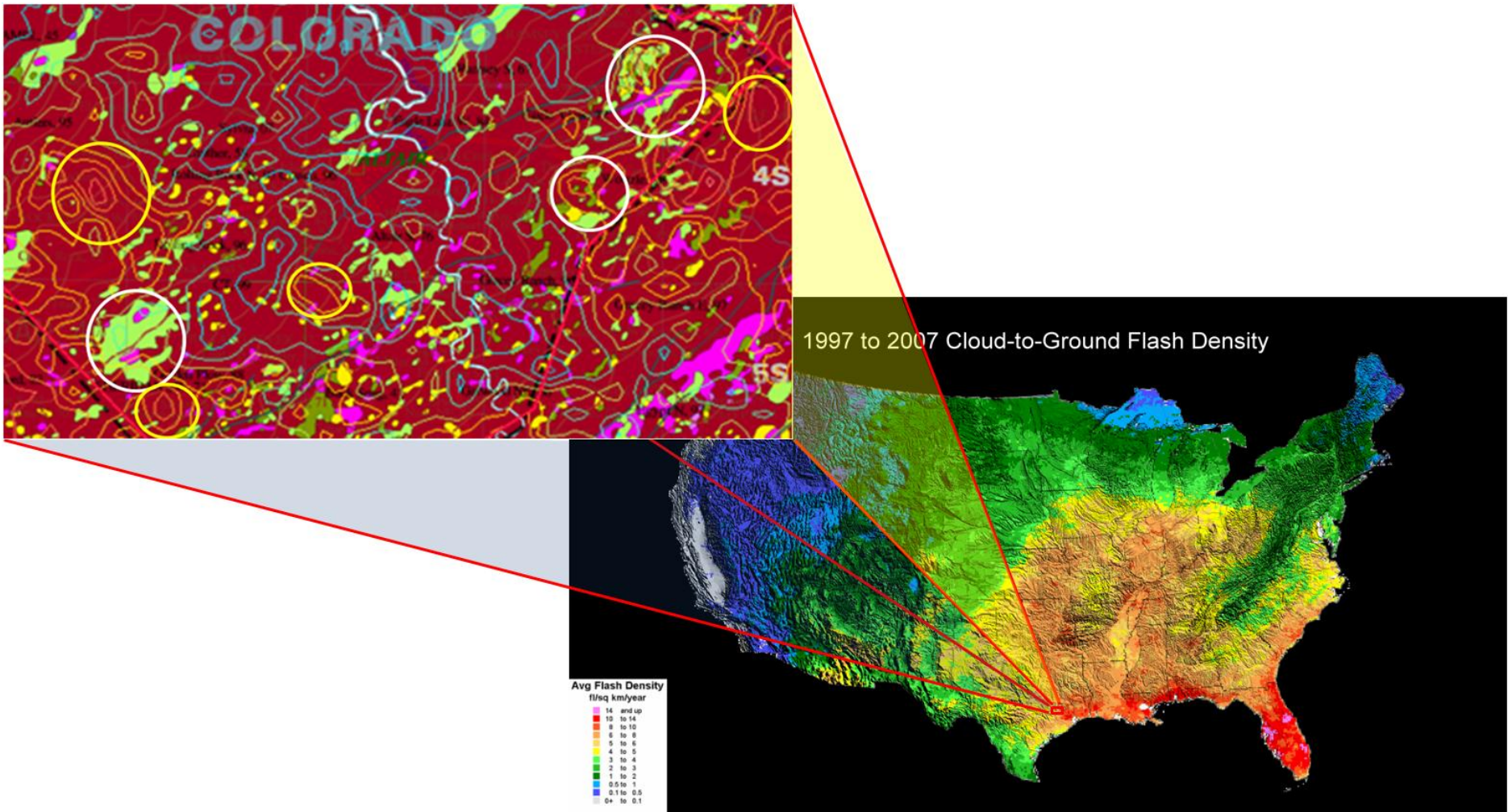
2.5-D CSEM Inversion



3-D CSEM Inversion

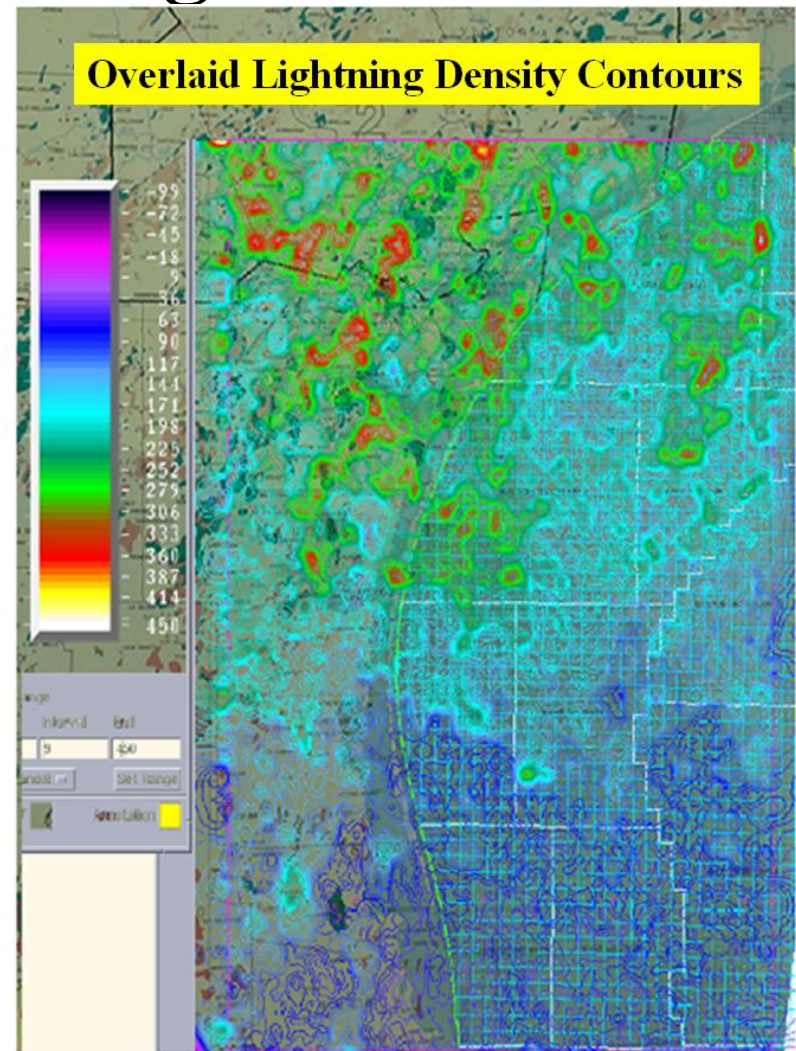
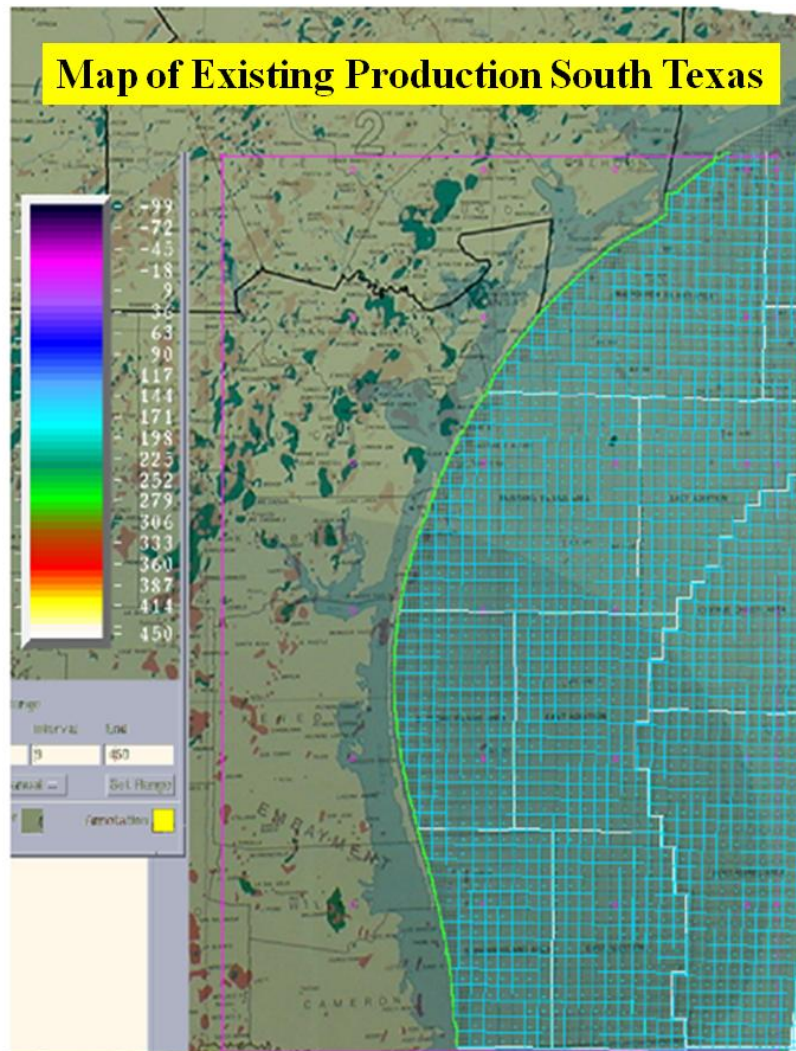
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# Lightning Is Not Random Strike Locations Tie Telluric Currents

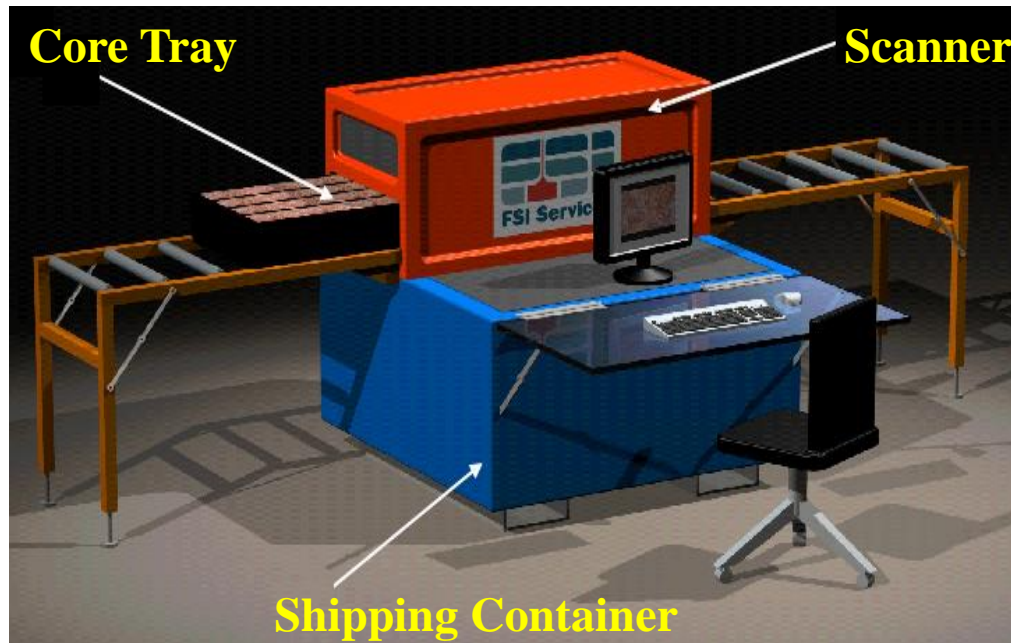




# Lightning Strike Density Correlates with Existing Production



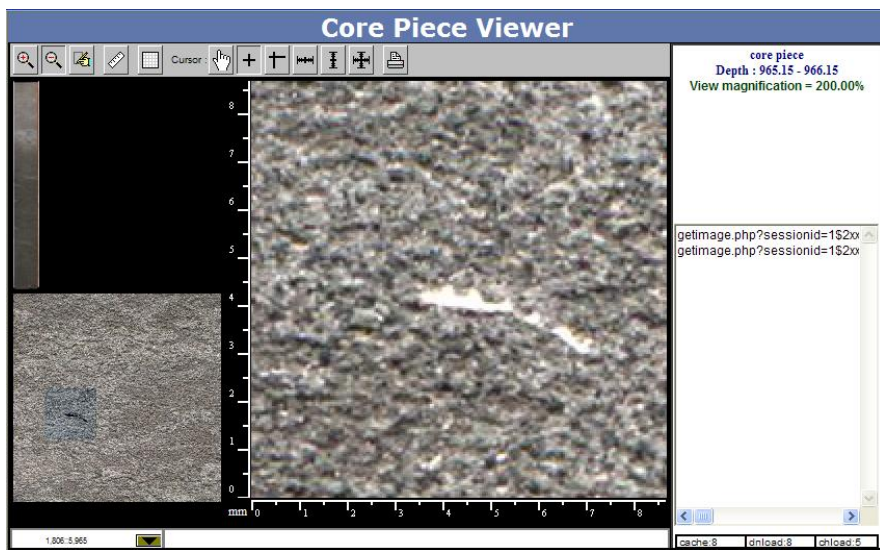
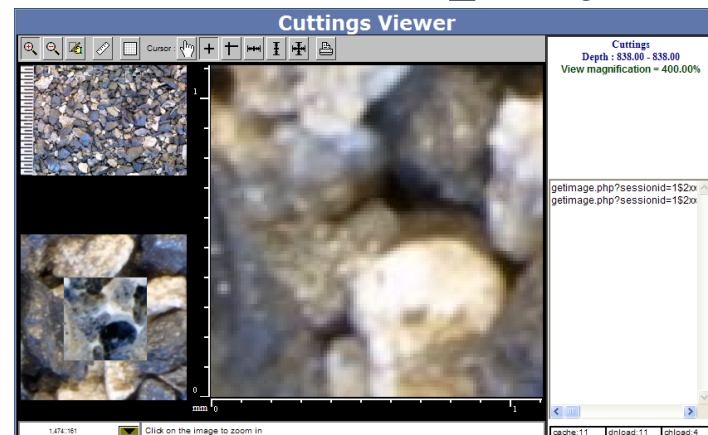
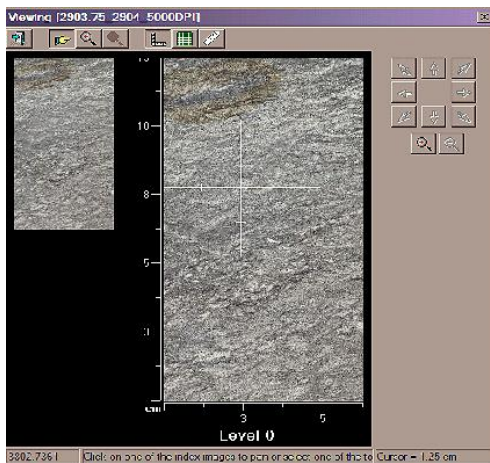
# Well Core and Cuttings Capture



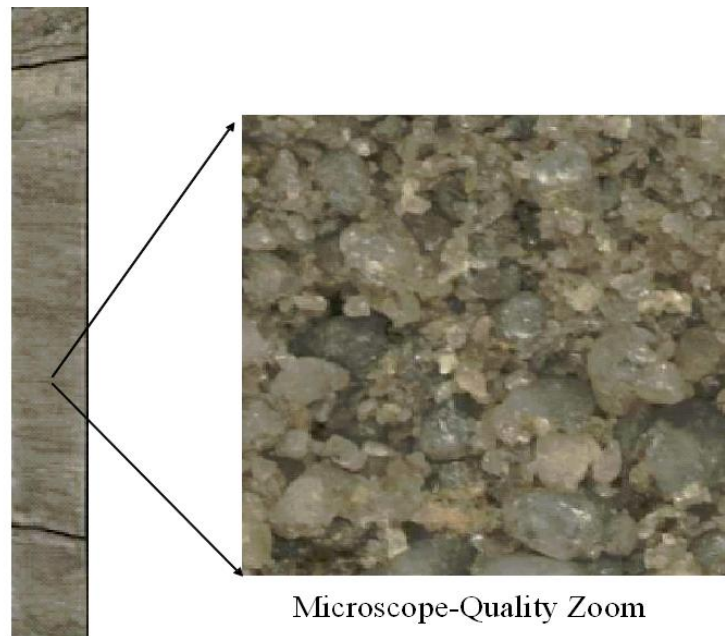
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# Well Core and Cuttings On-Line Display



**1:1 Scale  
Acquisition**

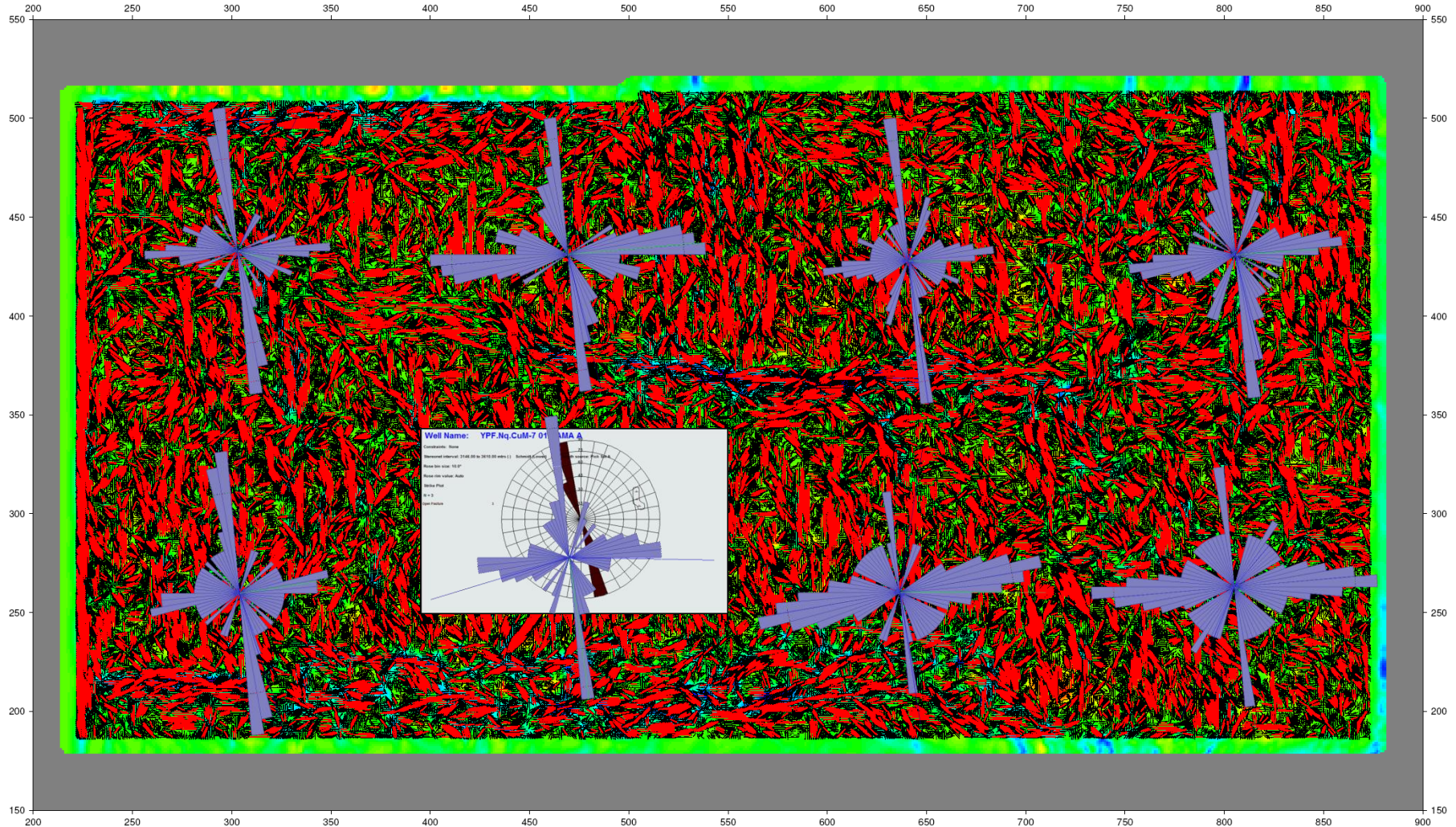


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# Seismic Lineaments from 3-D Seismic Compared to Image Log



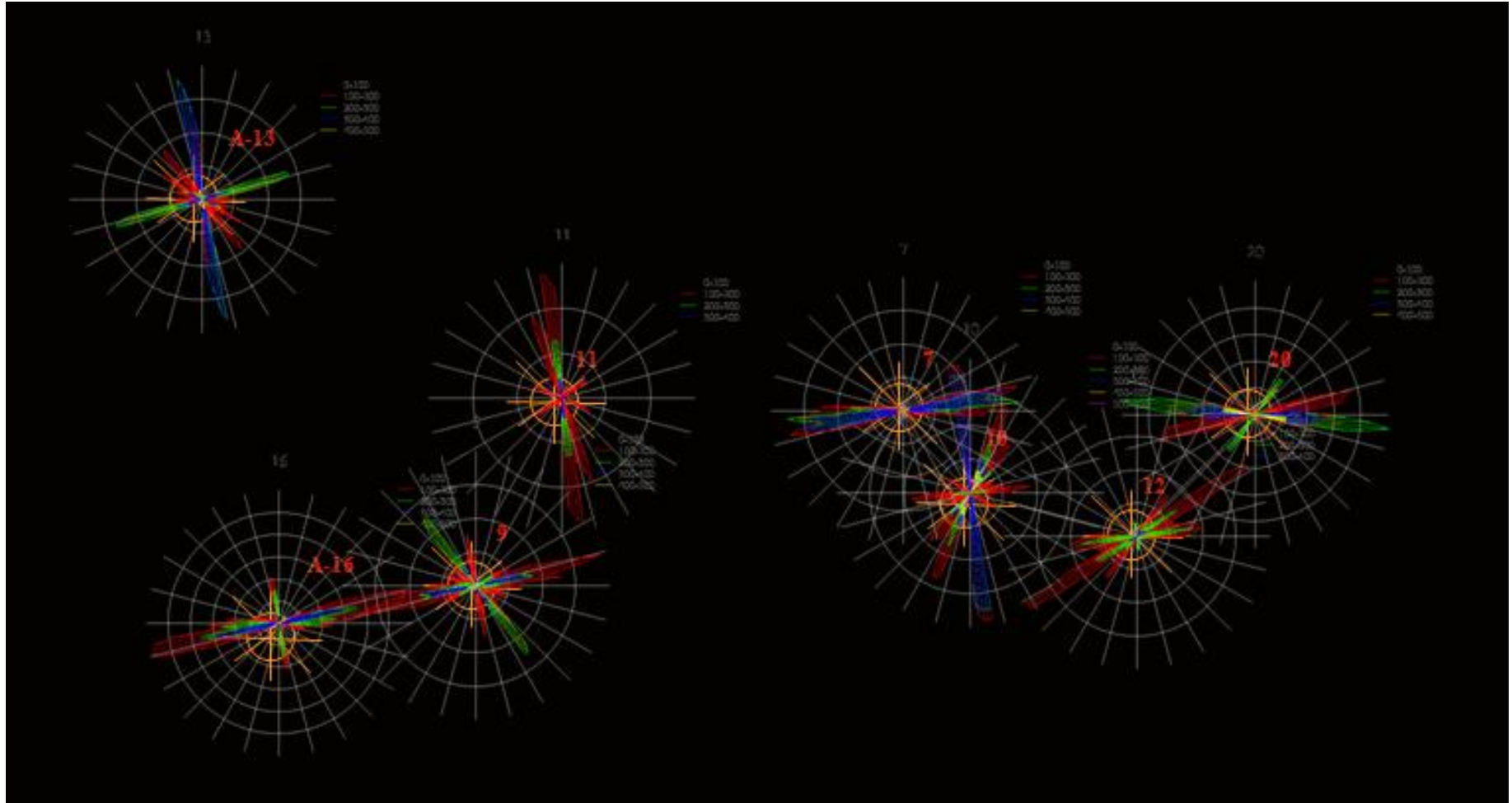
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**3-D Seismic Interpretation - with an emphasis on carbonate terrains**  
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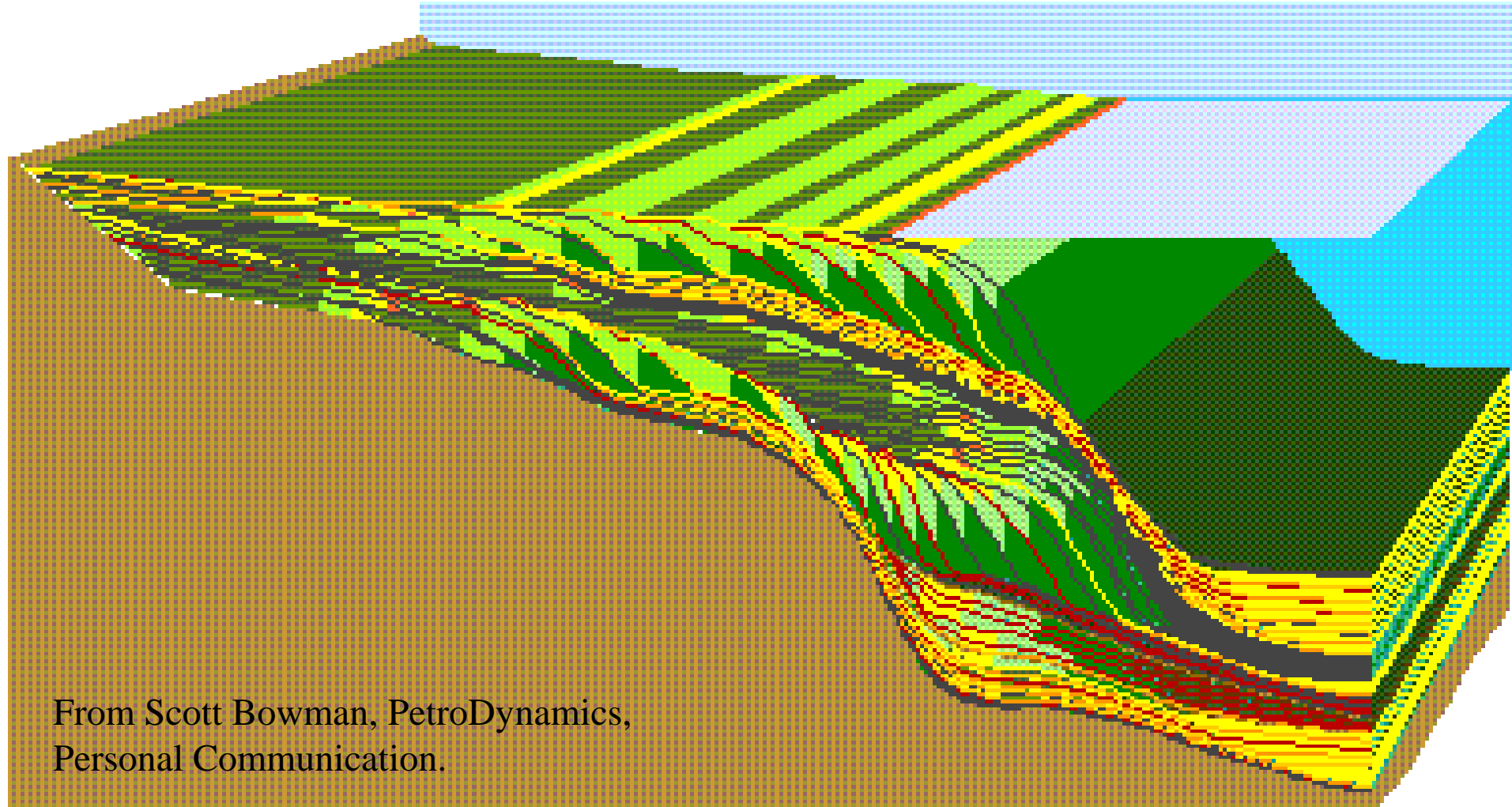
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# Image Log Interpretations



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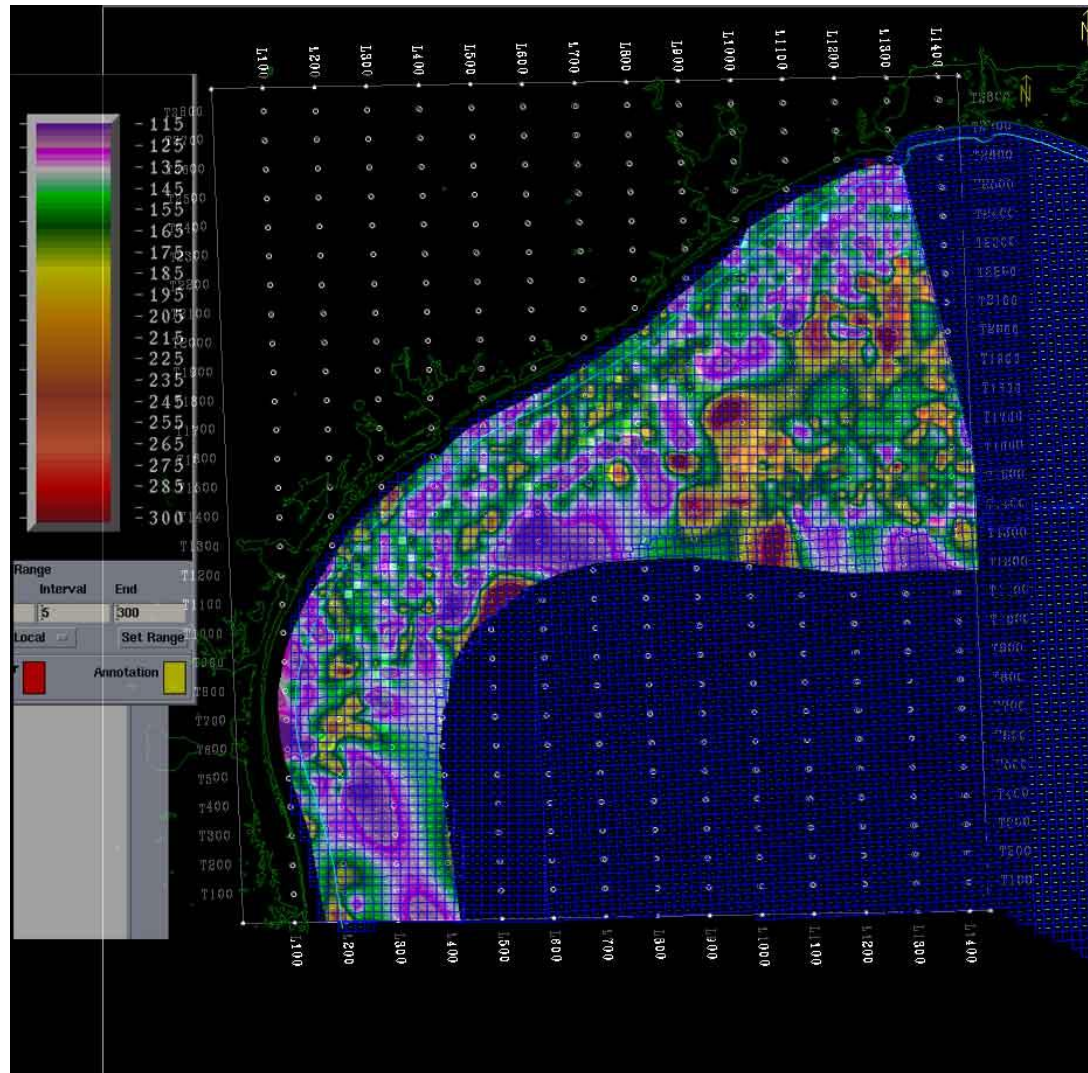
# Models of Sea Level Driven Deposition



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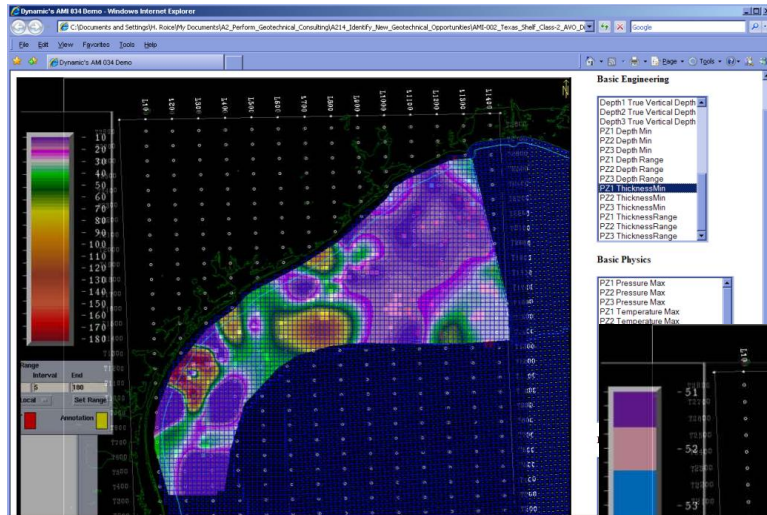


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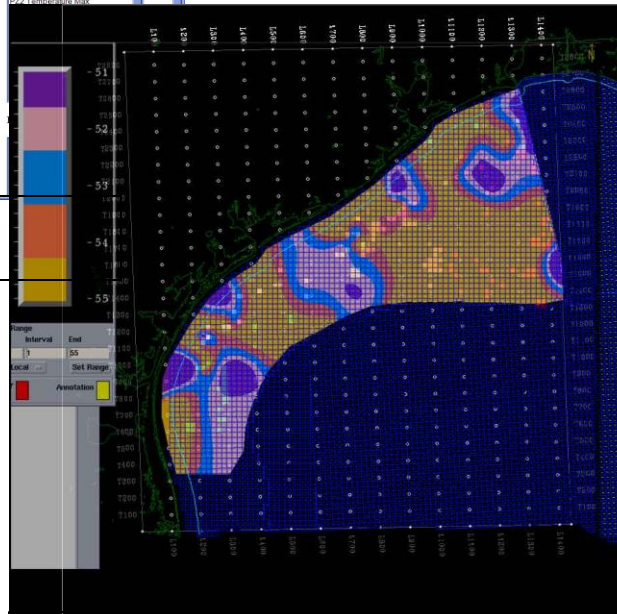


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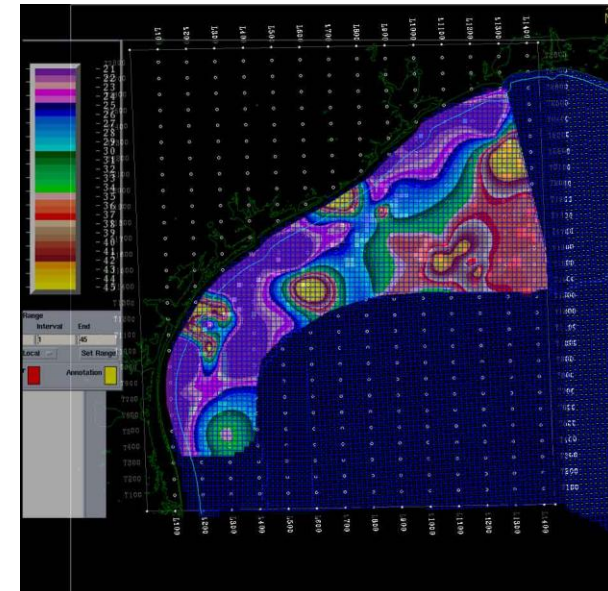
## Nehring U.S. Reservoir Database



Maximum Thickness PZ1



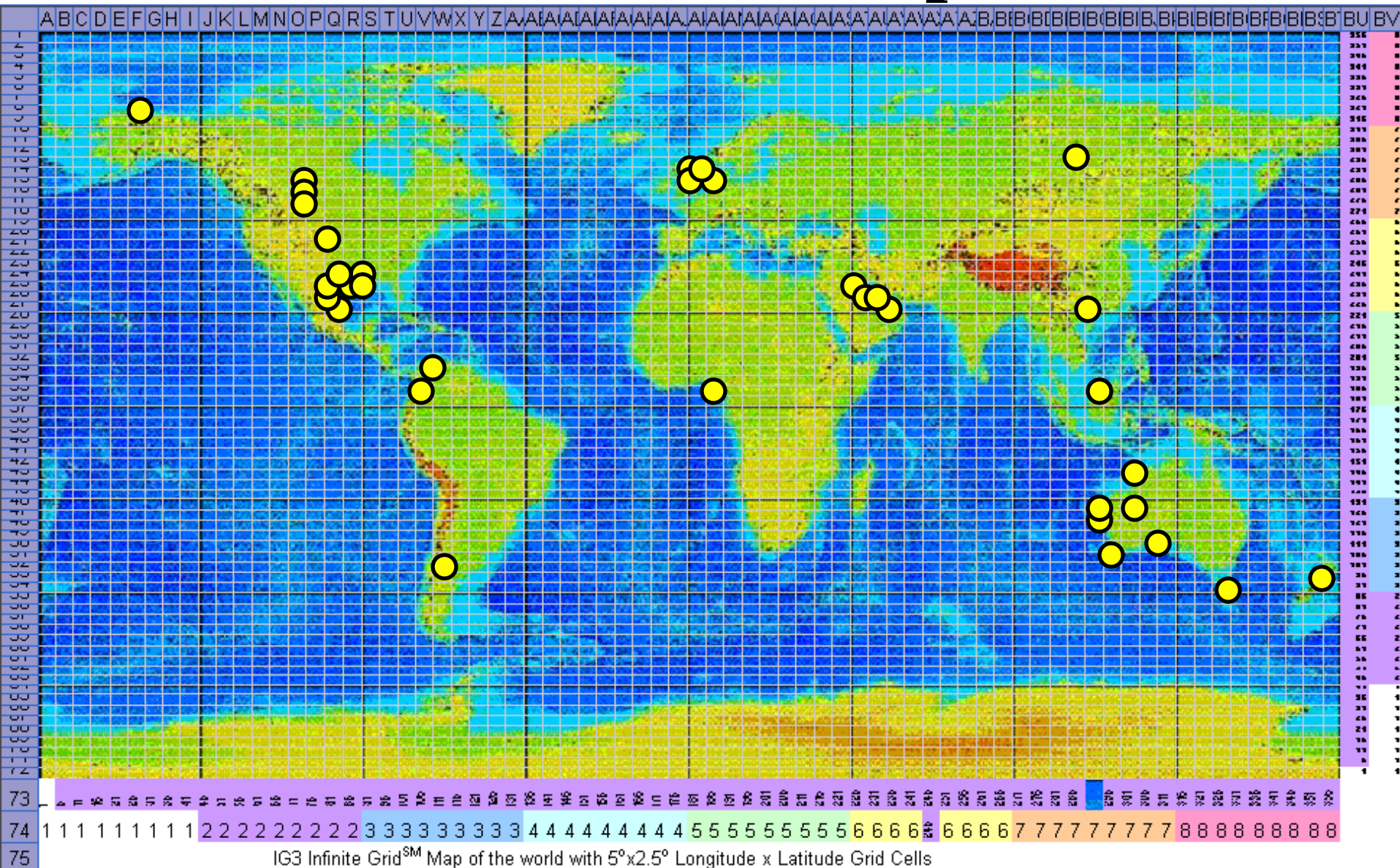
Formations Potential Zone 1



Depositional Styles PZ1



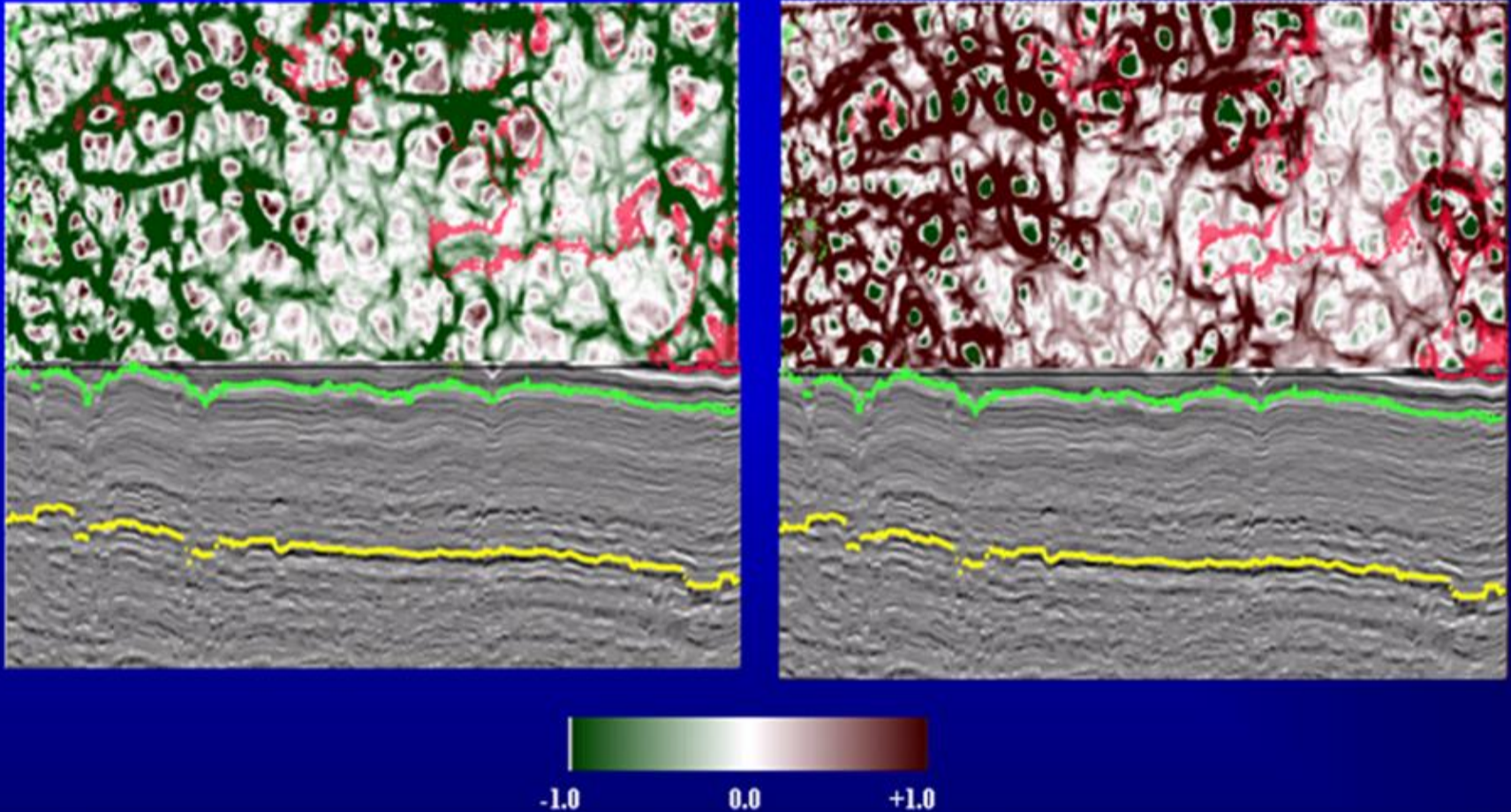
# Overview of Seismic Example Locations





# Practical Seismology Solutions

## Carbonate Terrains



Volumetric Curvature Analysis Data courteous L. Viertel.

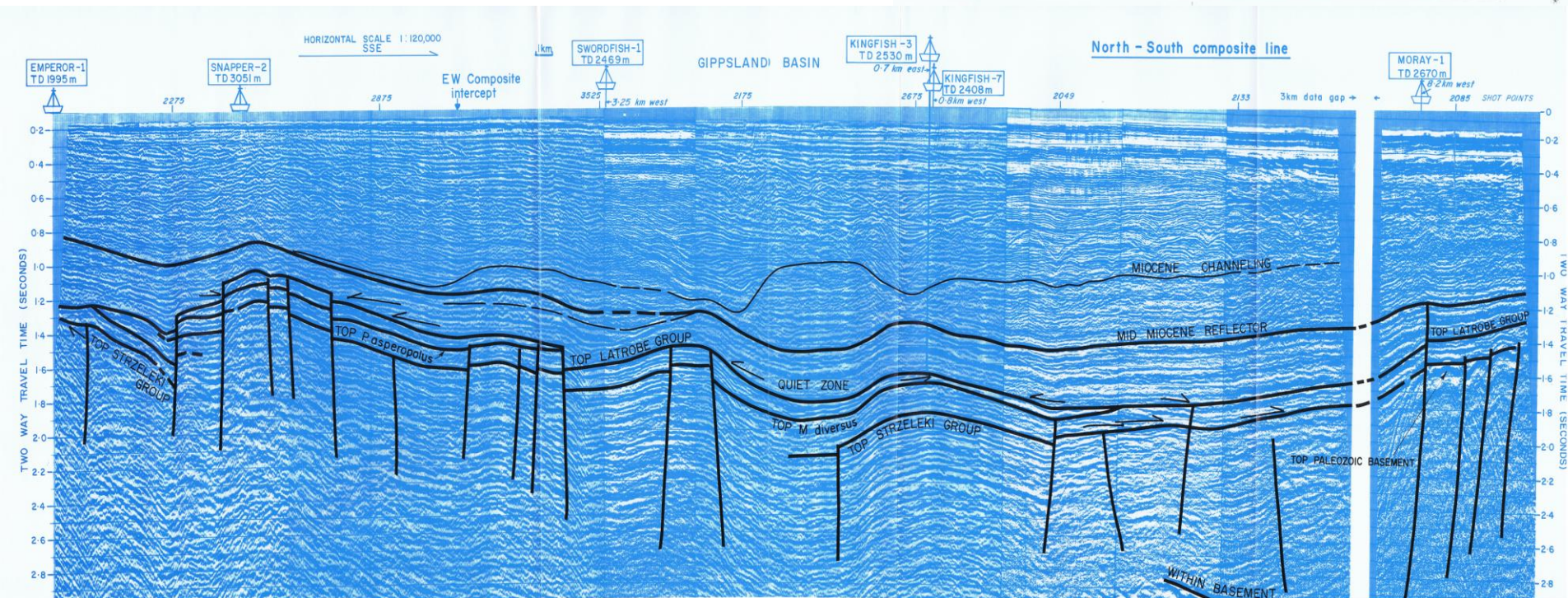
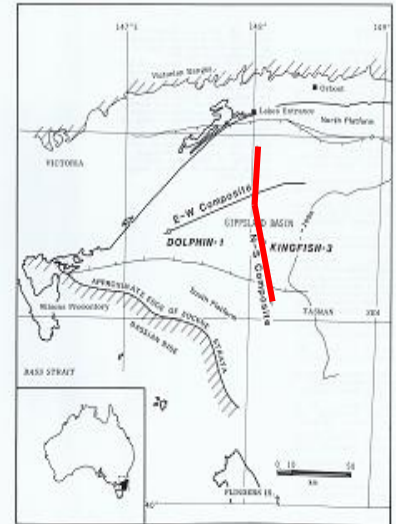


# Latrobe Group

**The Seismic Atlas of Australian and New Zealand Sedimentary Basins, Edited by: C. Gregory Skilbeck and Malcom J. Lennox, pages 97 & 108.**

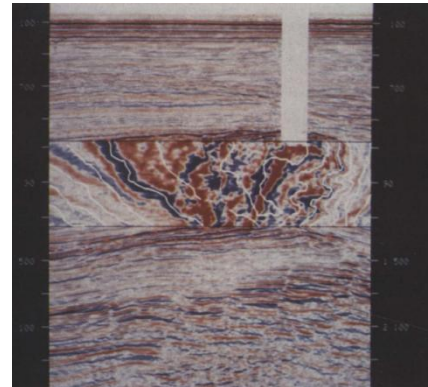
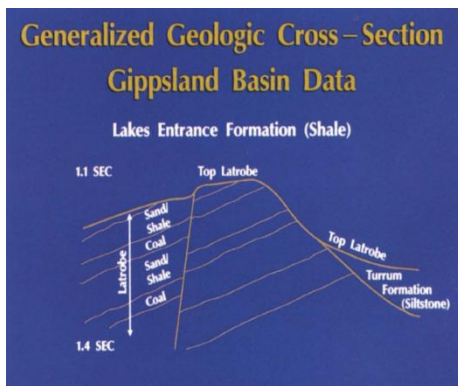
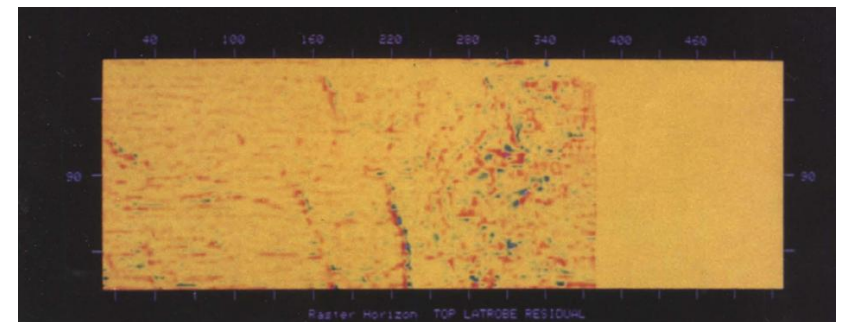
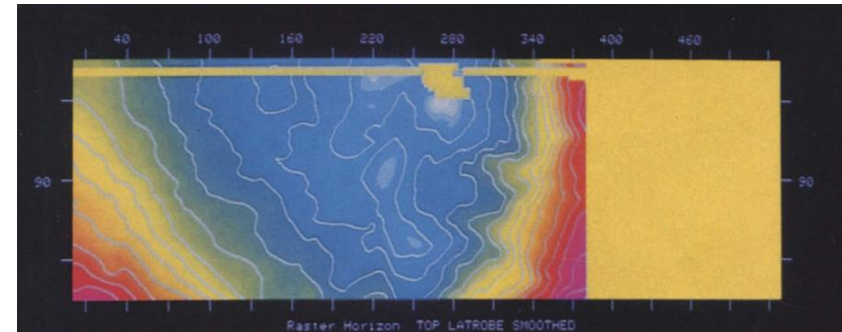
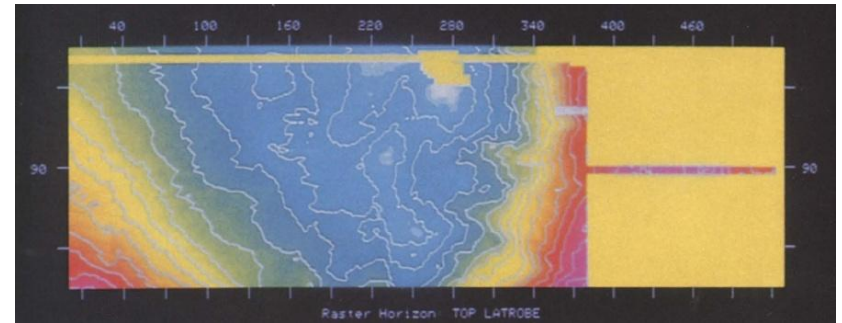
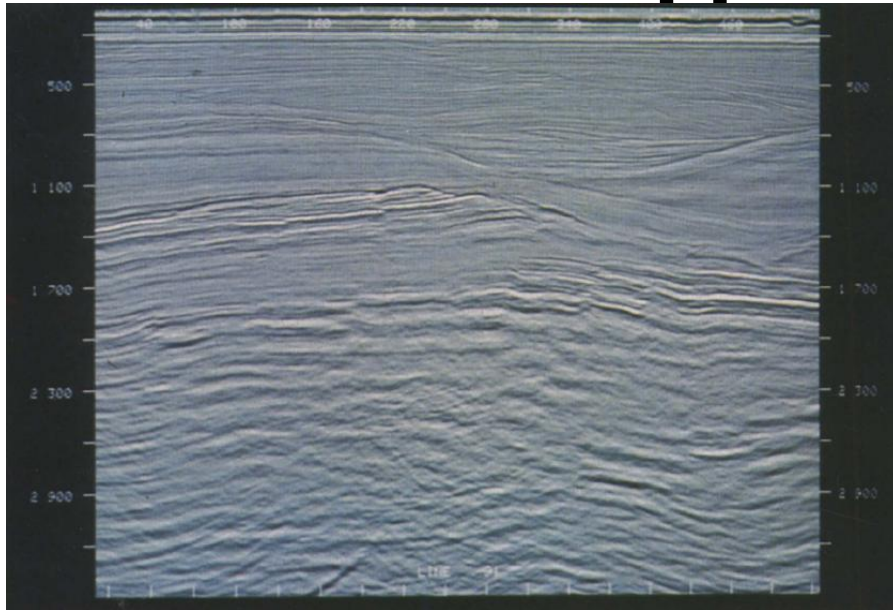
## GIPPSLAND BASIN

**LOCATION:** Eastern and offshore southeastern Victoria.  
**ESTIMATED AREA:** 46,800 square kilometres (18,100 square miles) (Skilbeck, 1970).  
**MAXIMUM THICKNESS OF SEDIMENT:** Approximately 3000 m (about 10,000 ft) in the Latrobe or Early Cretaceous Strzelecki Basin maximum - Strzelecki Group and Latrobe Group.  
**AGE OF SEDIMENTS:** Late Cretaceous to Holocene.  
**BASEMENT TYPE:** Mostly, volcanic (basaltic) and Palaeozoic (granite) of the Tarnoo Group.  
**PRESENT BOUNDARIES:** South: Brown River (Basin) High; West: and some north: Palaeozoic outcrops - Victorian Fingert; East: 180° continental shelf.  
**WATER DEPTHS:** Outcrops to 180 m.  
**TYPE OF BASIN:** Passive continental margin.  
**AGE OF SEDIMENTS:** Late Cretaceous, Eocene, Oligocene.  
**TYPE OF HYDROCARBONS:** Oil, gas, and condensate.  
**GENERAL REFERENCES:** Coburn (1970) and Thrall et al. (1975).



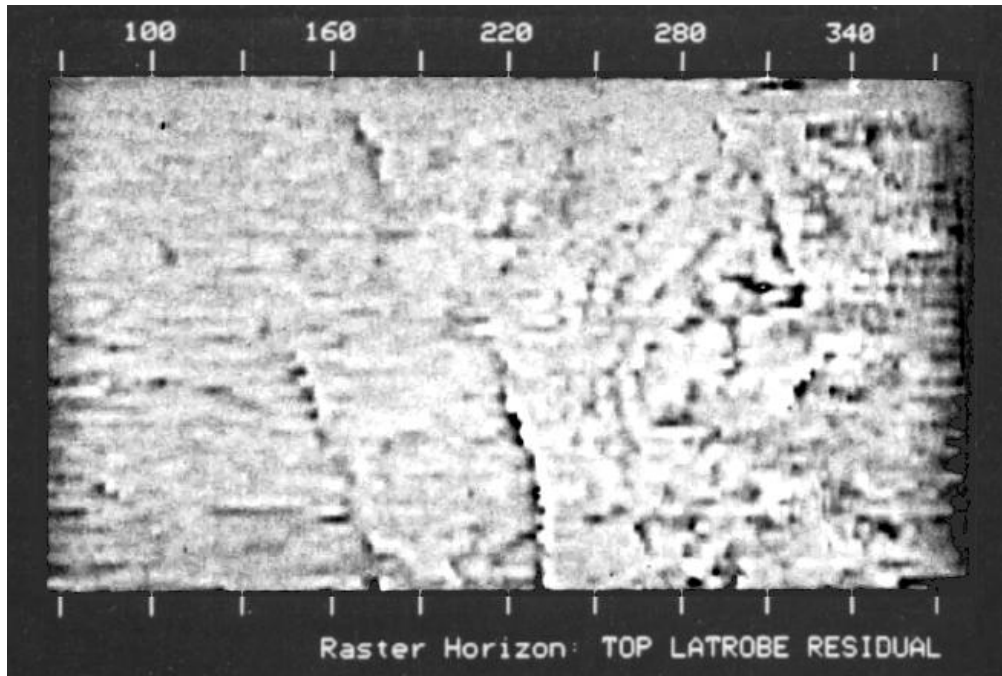
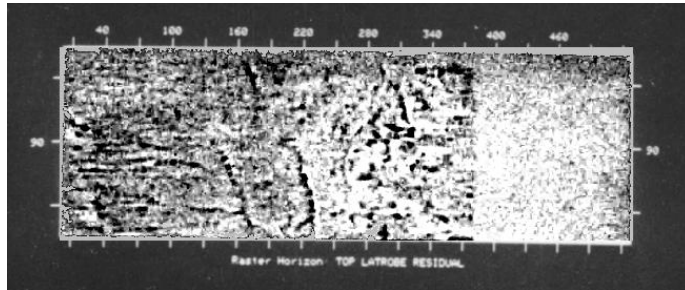


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# Pre-Program Questionnaire

- What is a basic interpretation workflow?
  - How does this workflow vary for interpretation of siliciclastics and carbonate environments?
  - Why integrate other type of data?
    - Satellite data?
    - Gravity data?
    - Magnetic data?
    - Geochemistry data?
    - Lightning data?
    - Electromagnetic data?
    - Well cuttings (cores)?
    - Well logs?
    - Temperature and pressure data?
    - Image logs?
    - Reservoir parameters?
    - Production histories?
  - What physical properties can be derived from a seismic interpretation?
  - How does seismic interpretation help reservoir analysis?