

Fourteen years' experience of monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> injection in the Utsira Sand at Sleipner, offshore Norway

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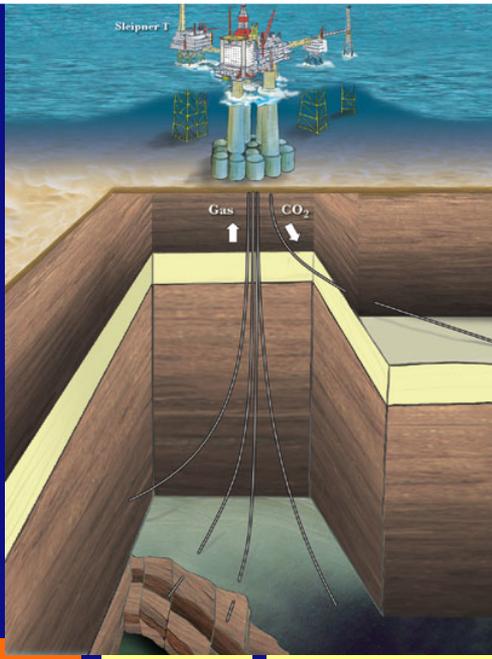
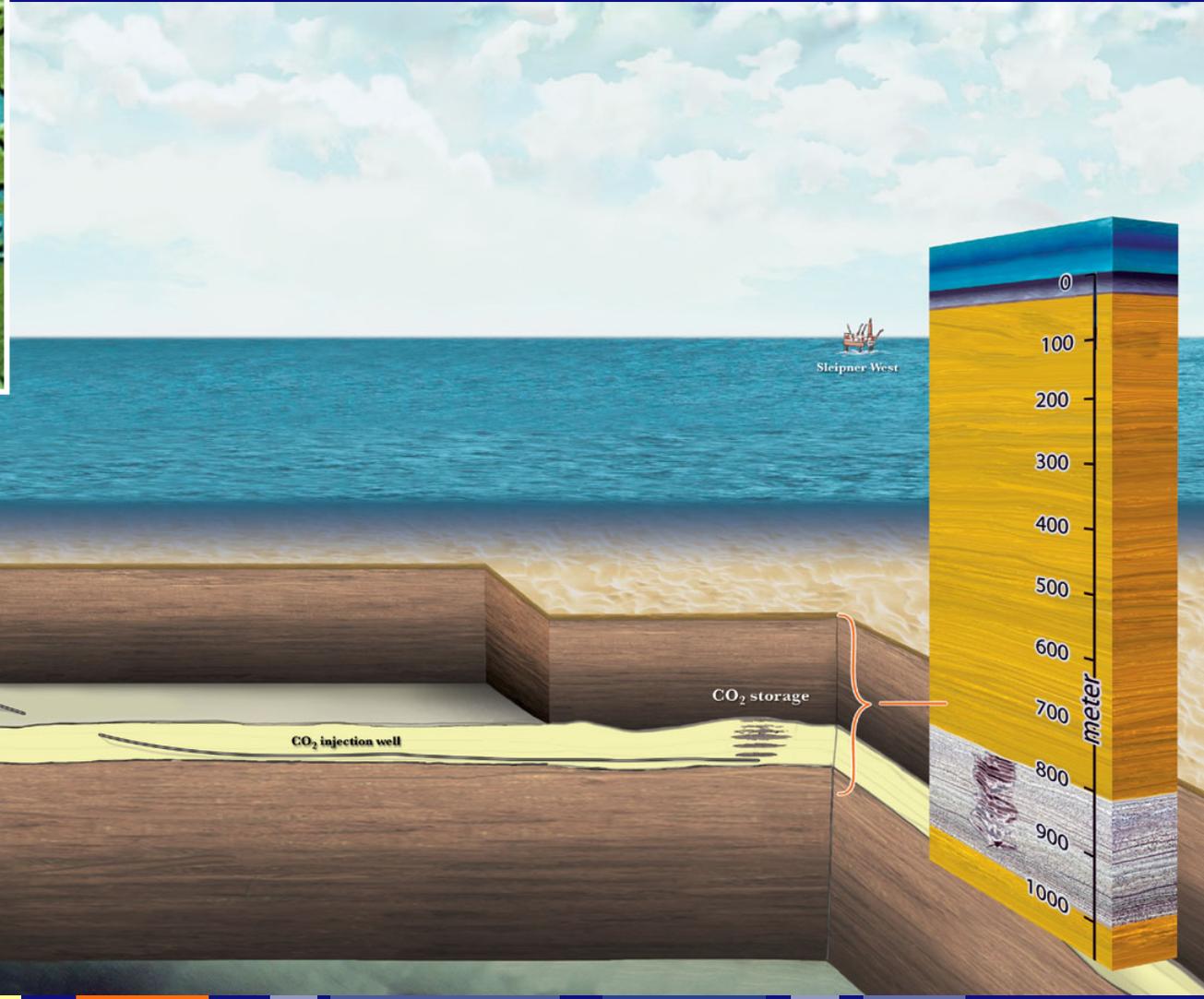
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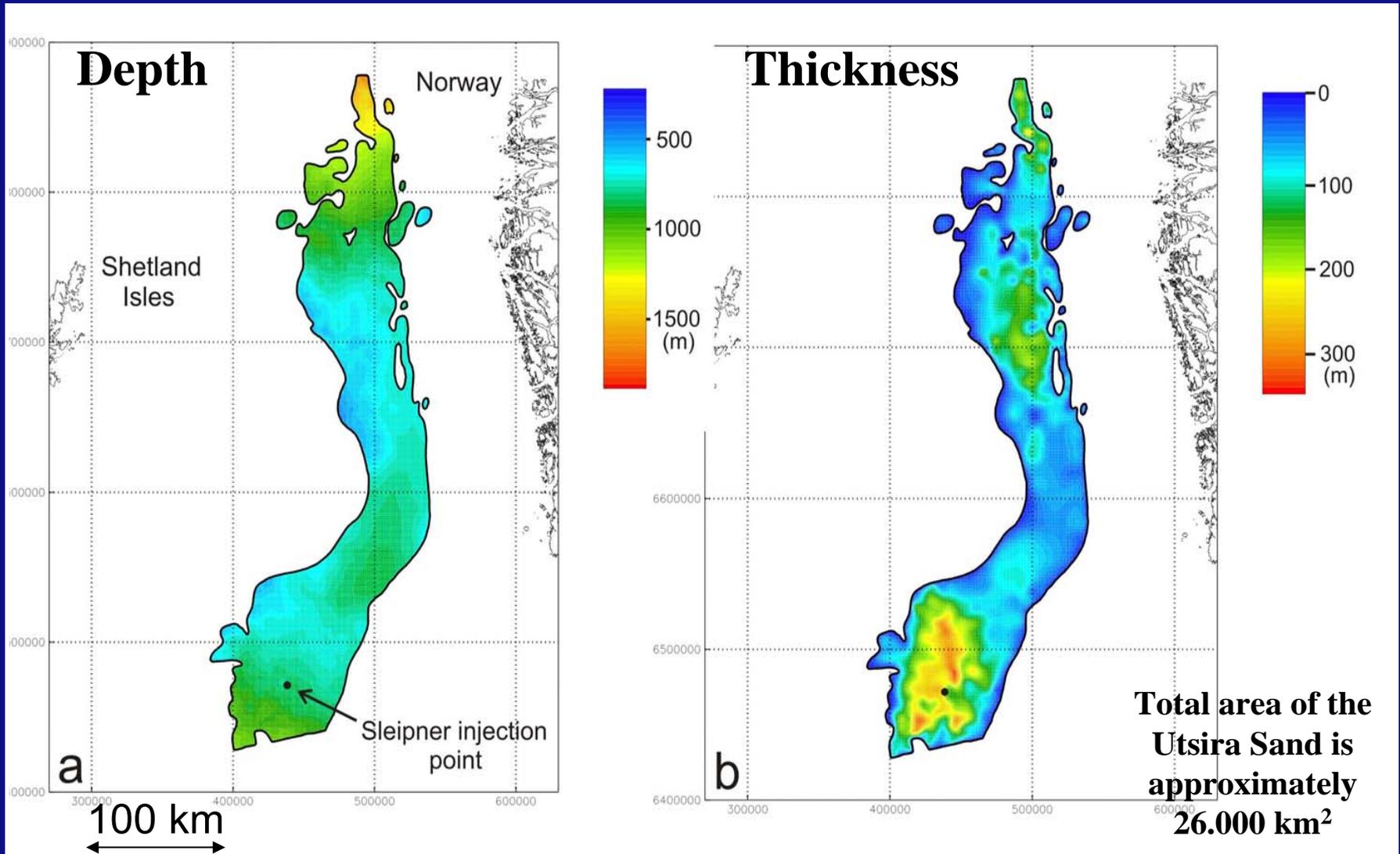
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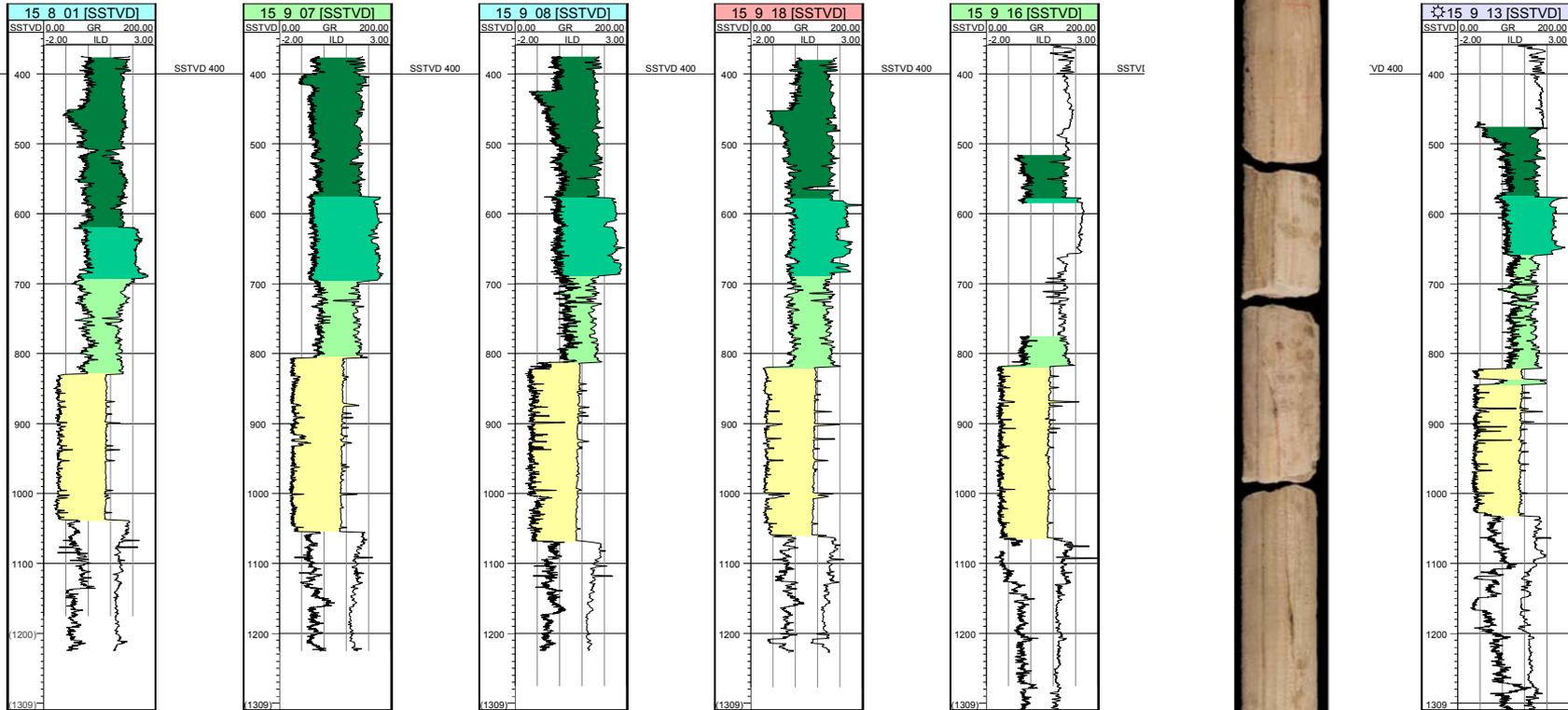
# Injection scheme at Sleipner



# Extension of the Utsira Sand



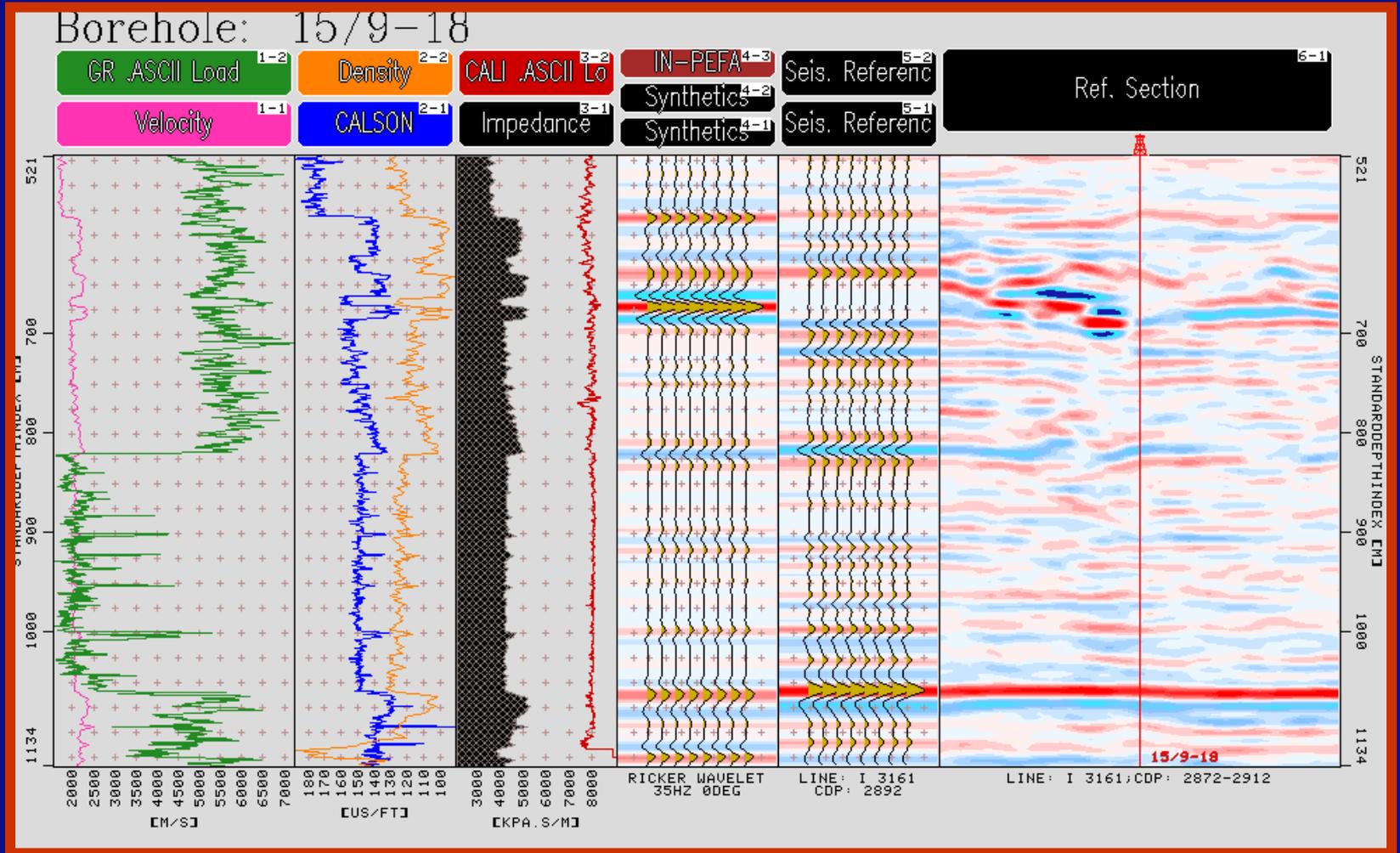
# Reservoir characteristics: Log panel (W-E, 20 km)



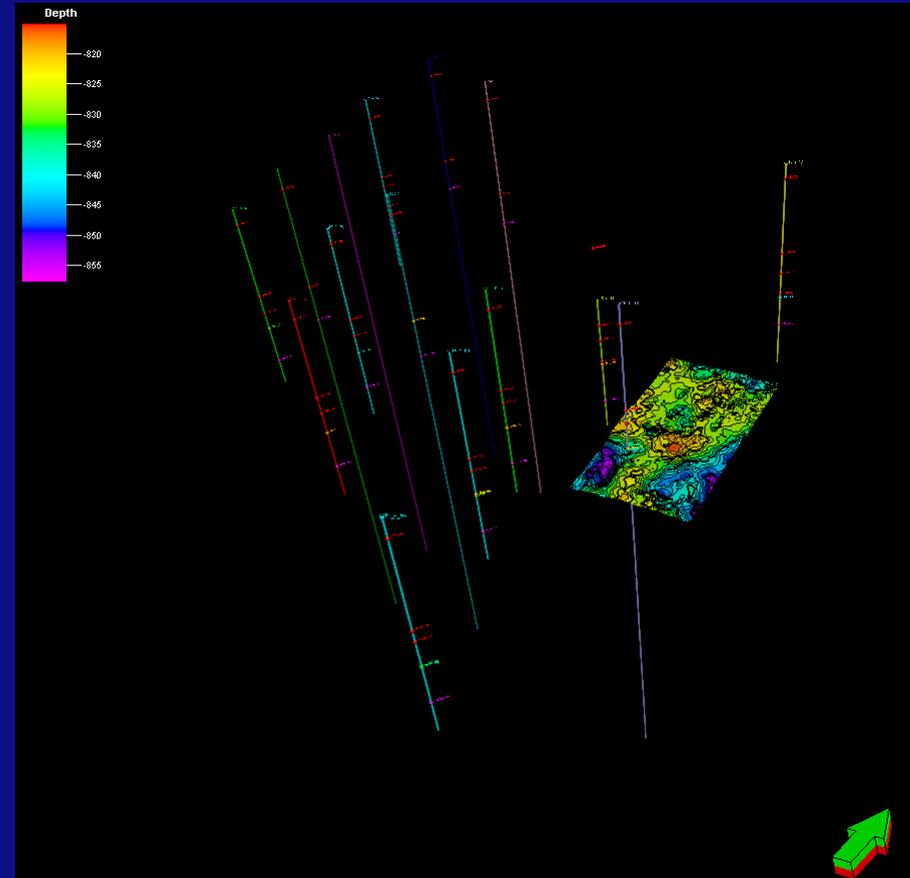
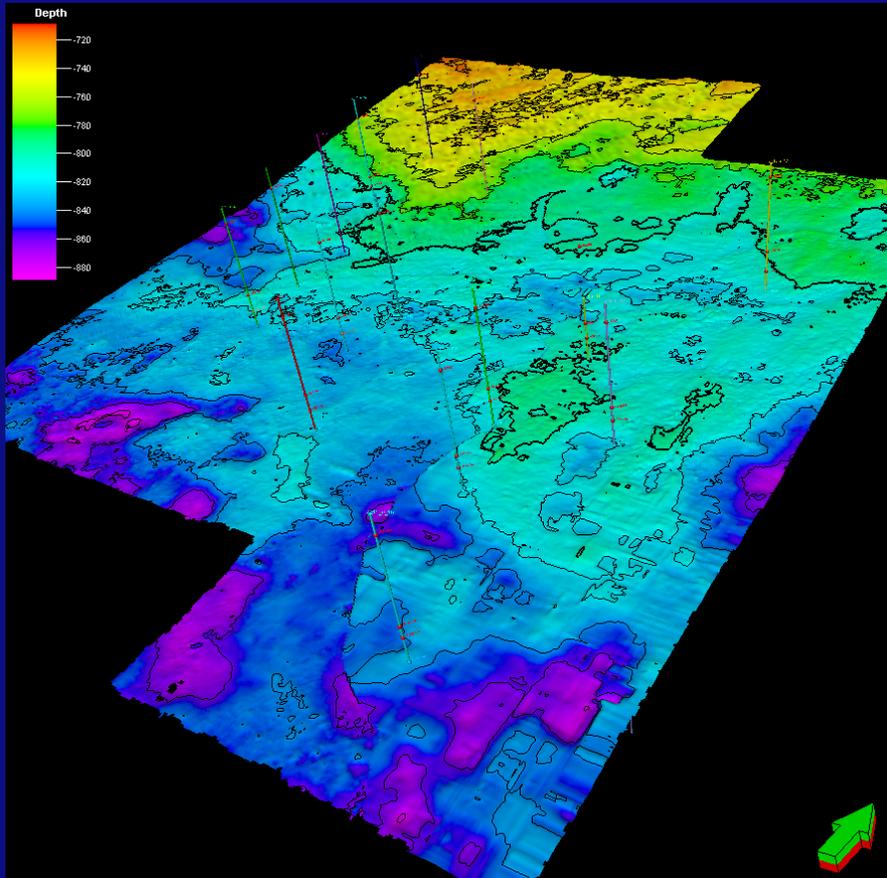
# Reservoir analogue



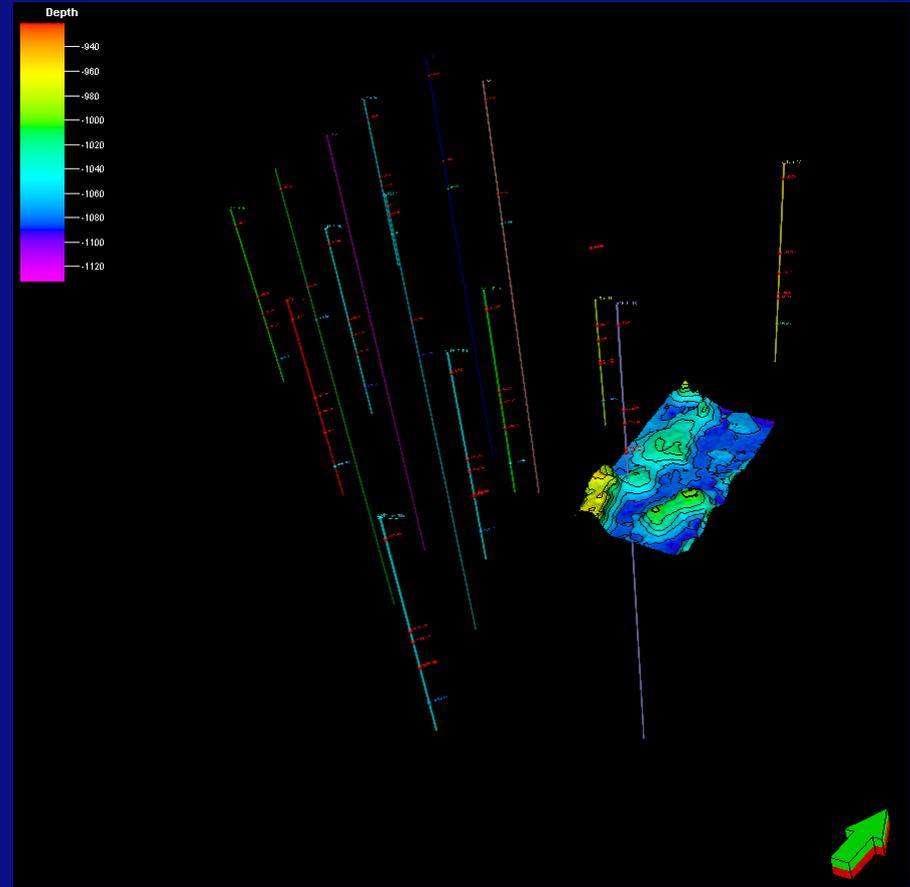
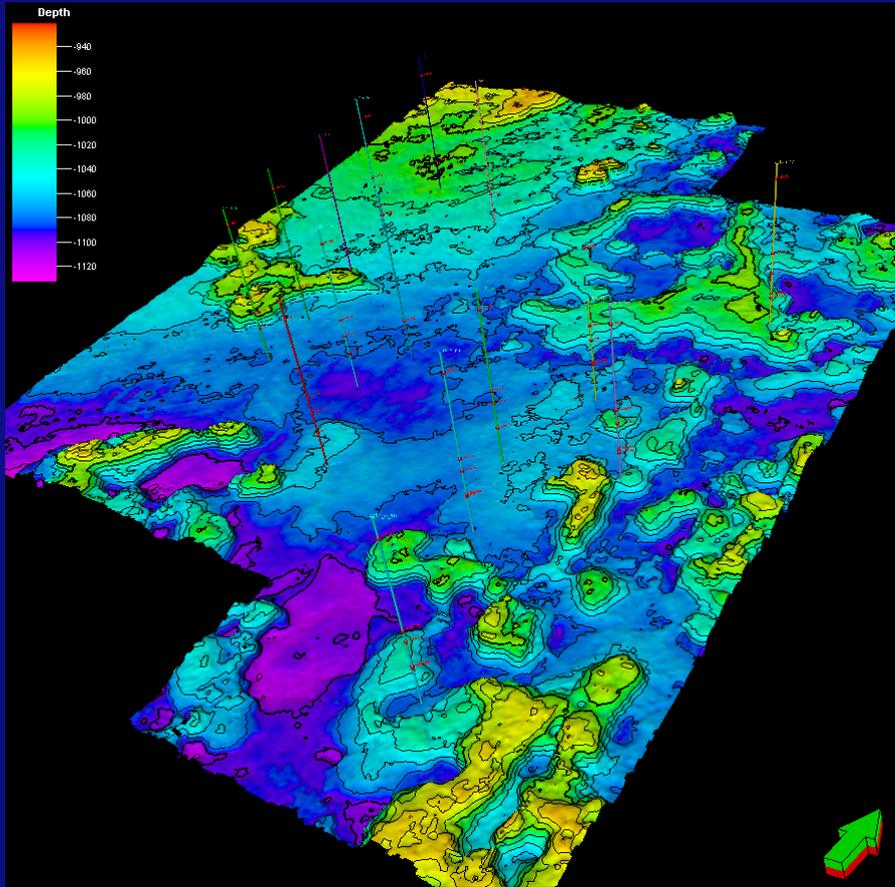
# Synthetics of well 15/9-18



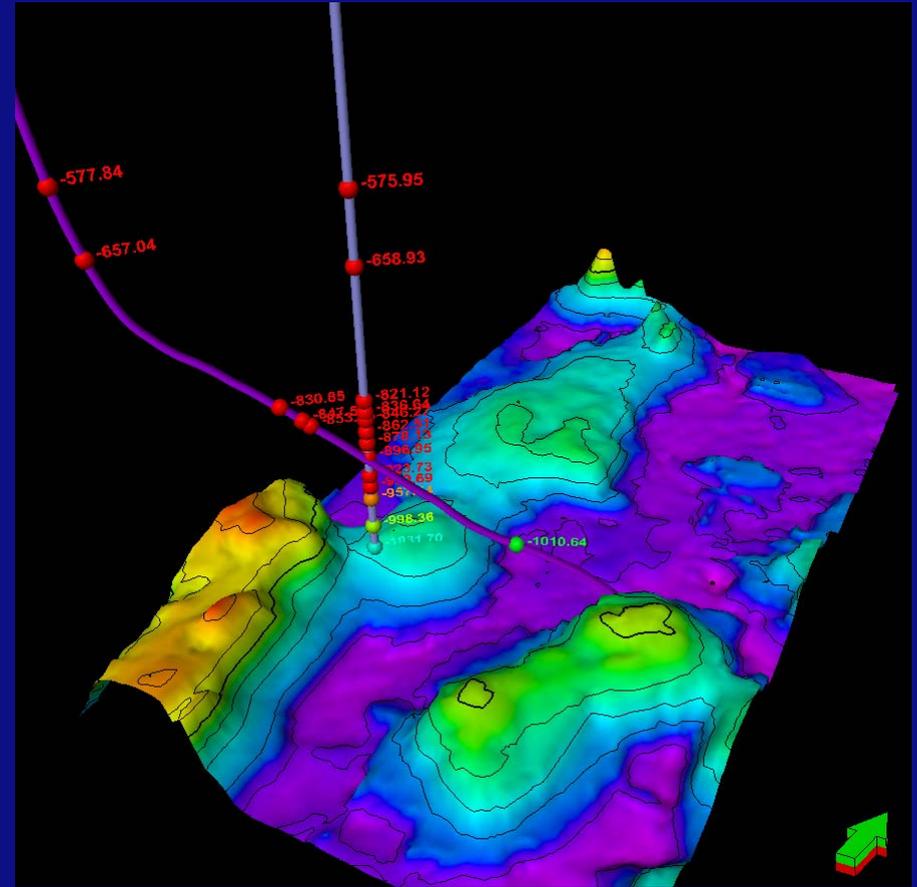
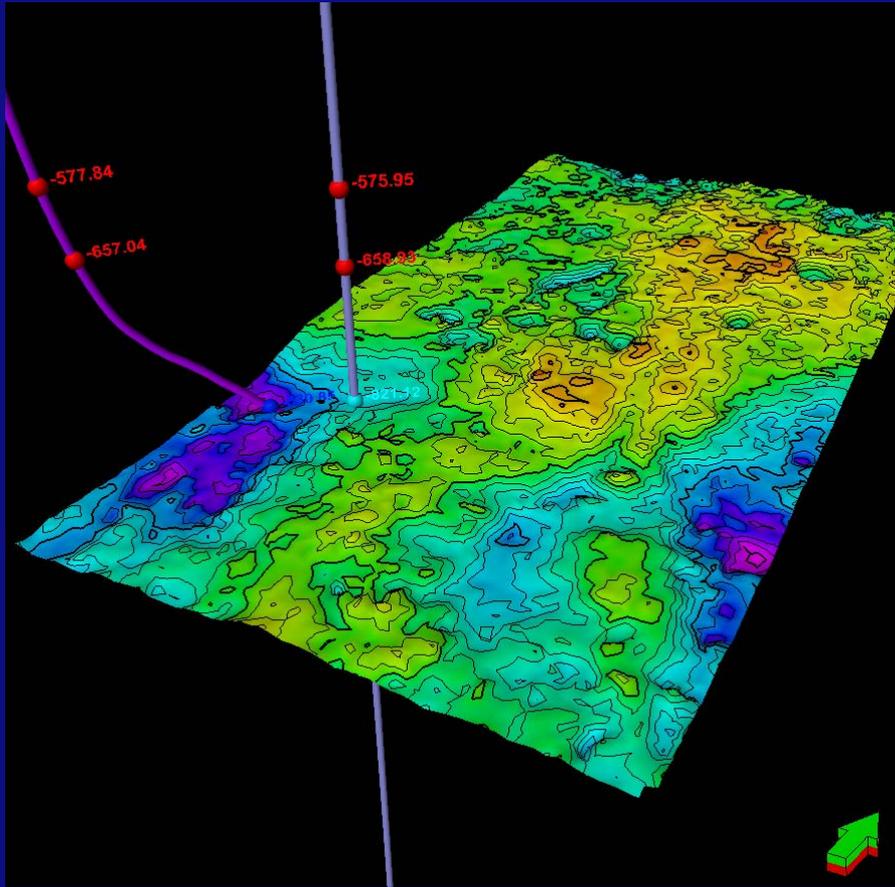
# Top Utsira



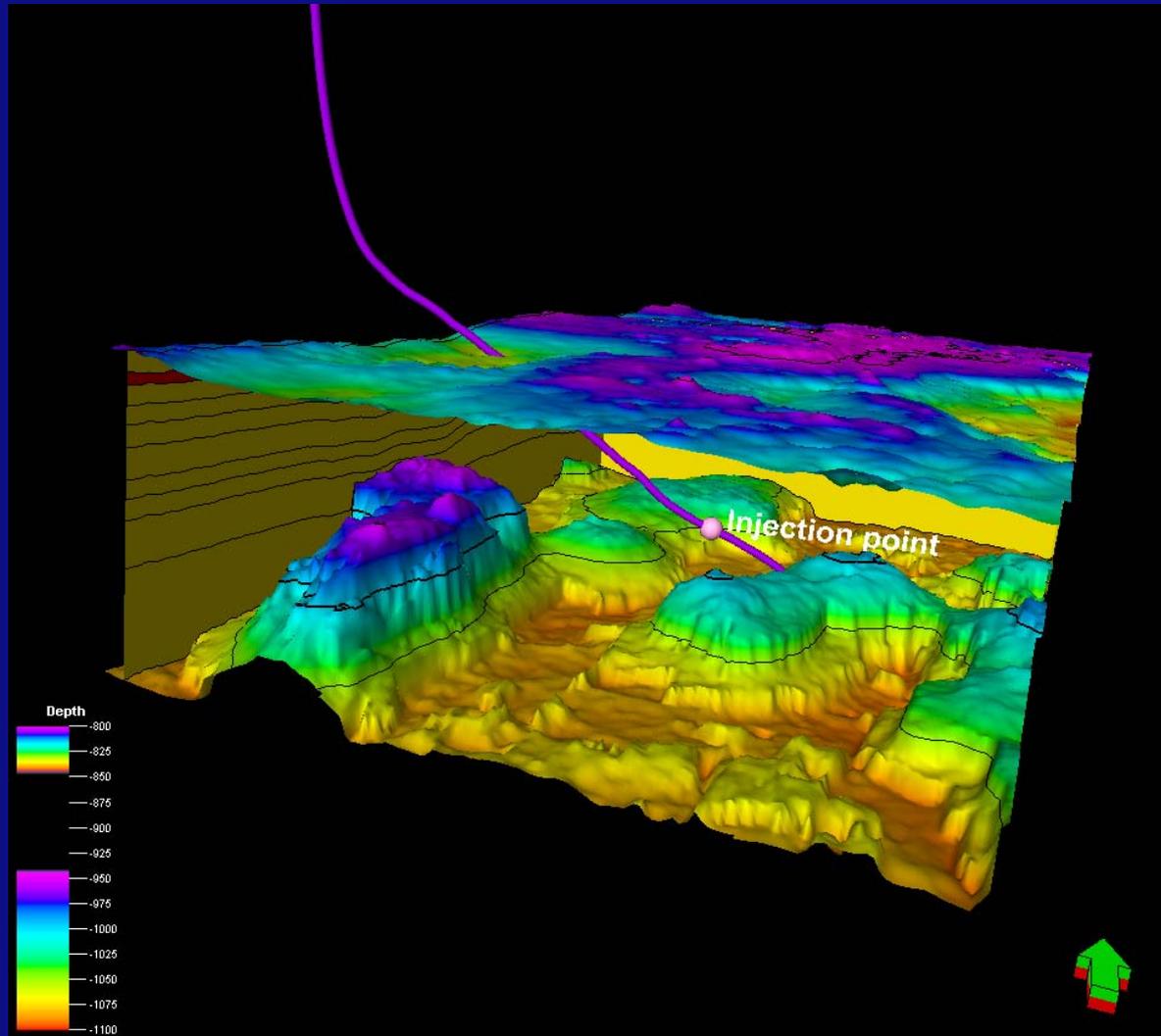
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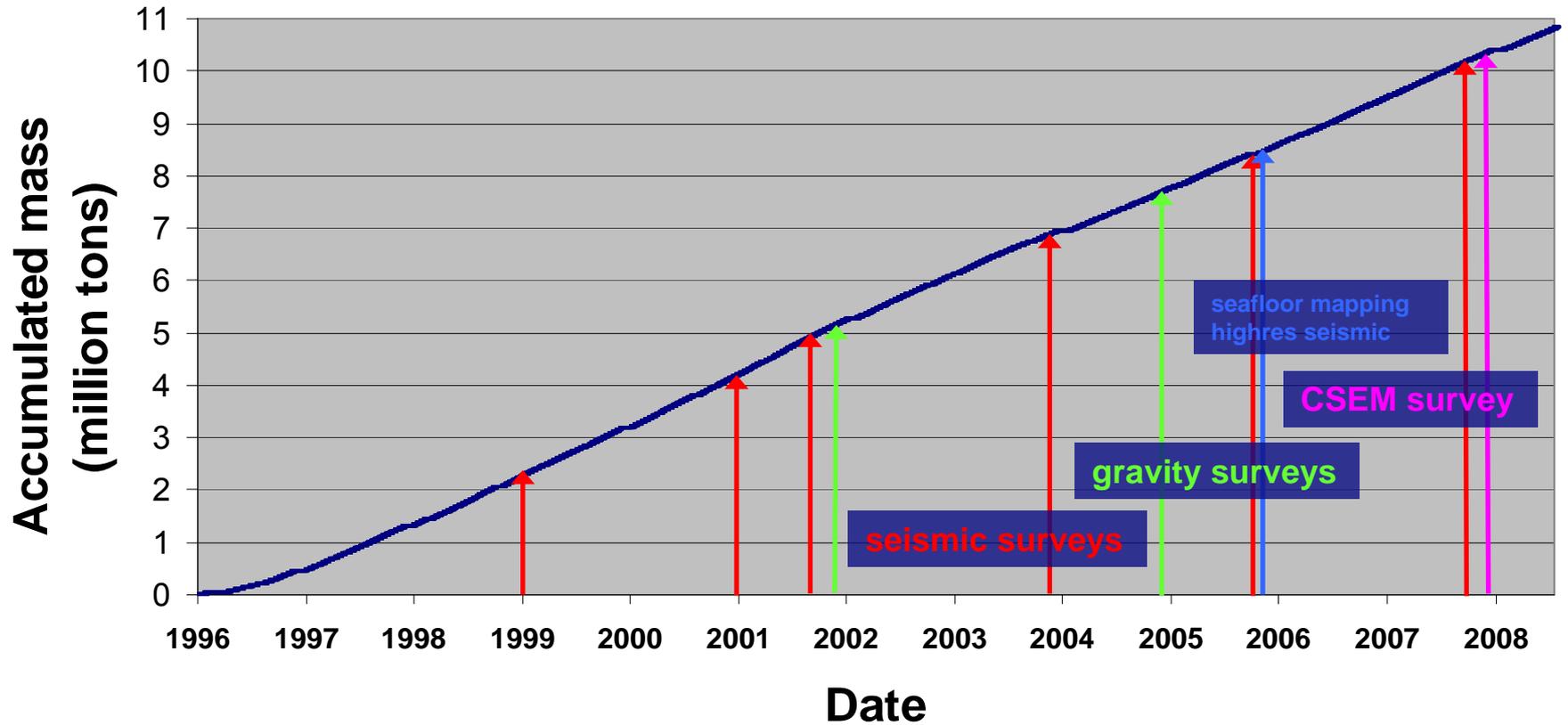
# Top Utsira around the injection point



# The Utsira reservoir



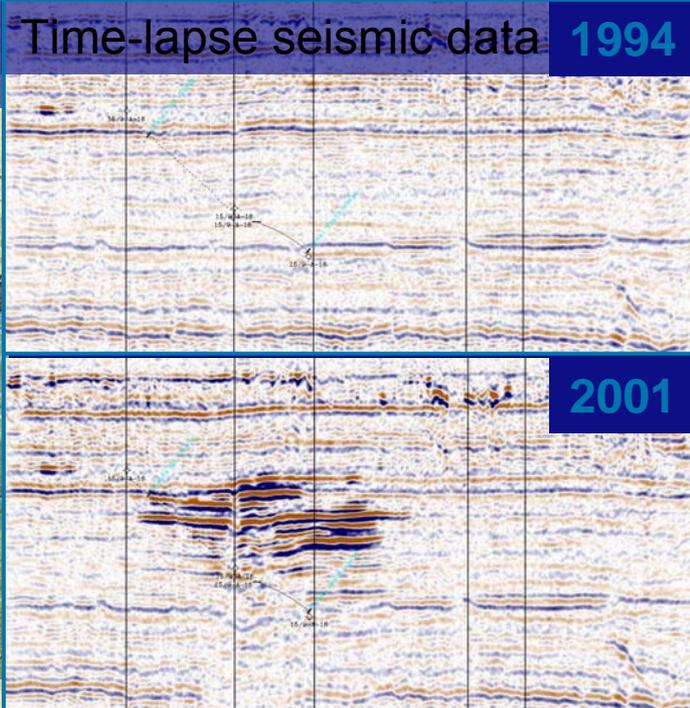
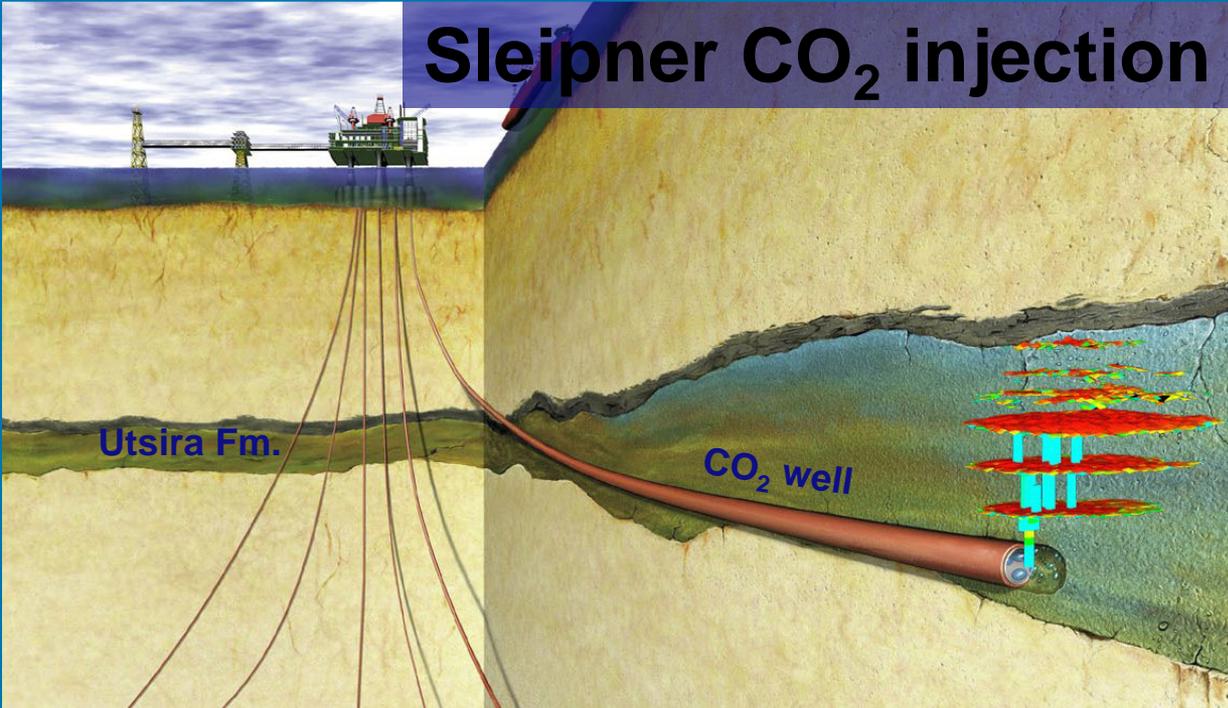
# Injected CO2



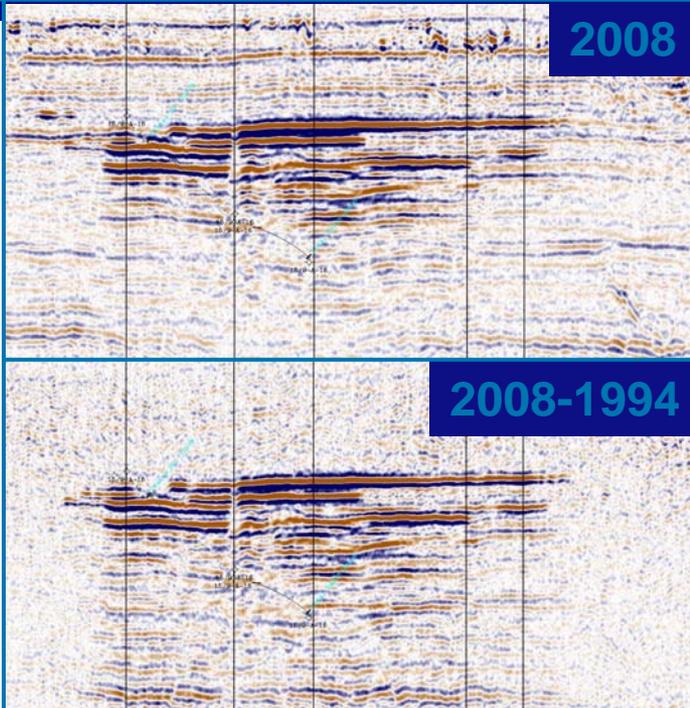
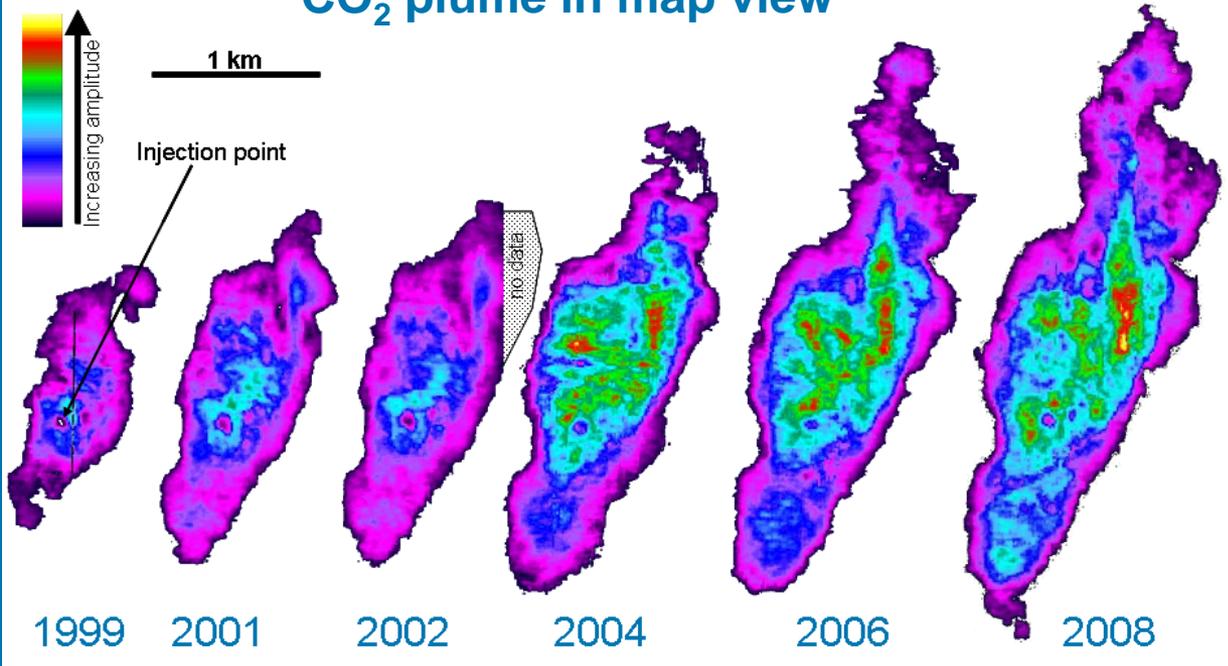
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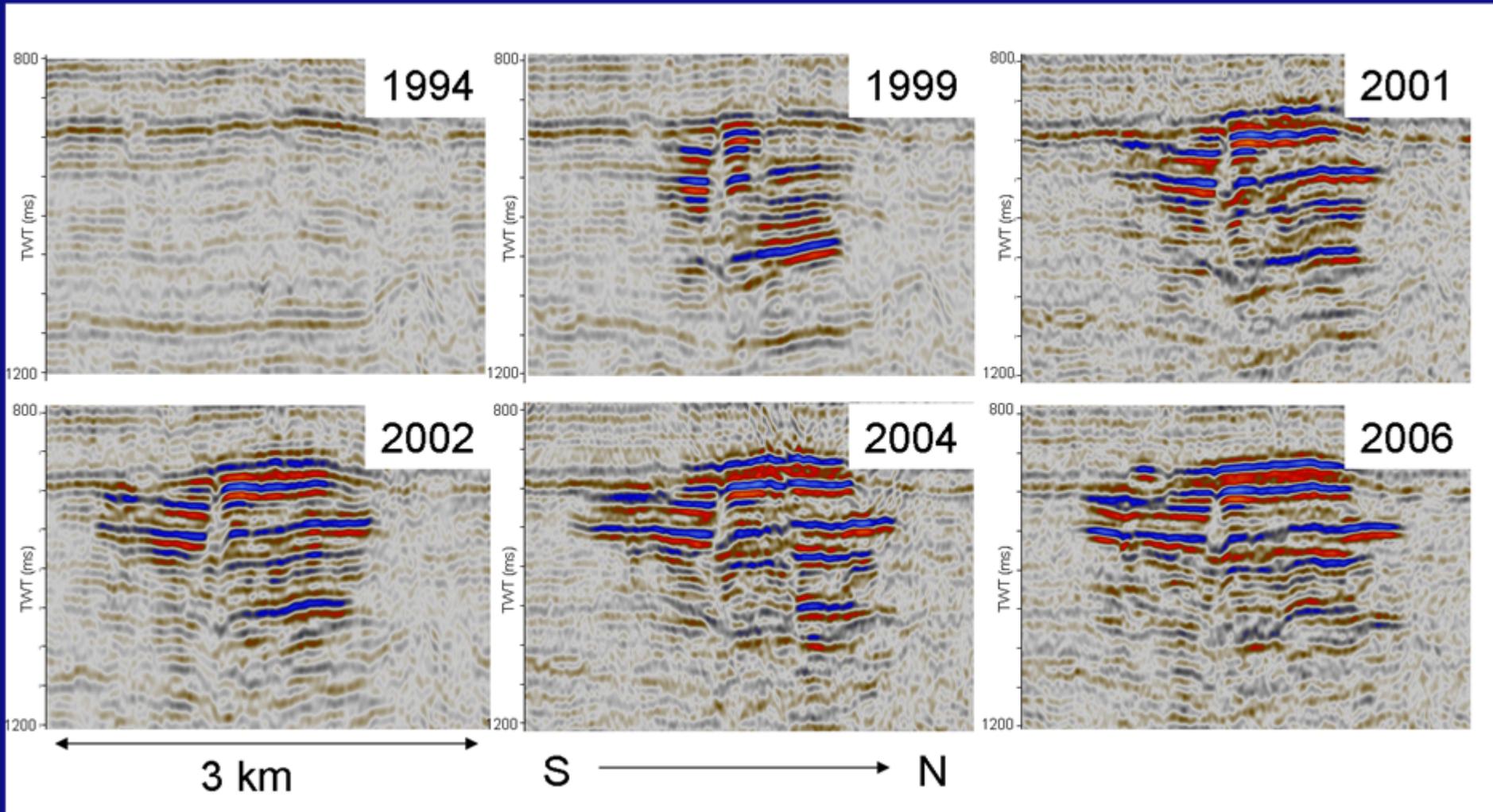
# Sleipner CO<sub>2</sub> injection



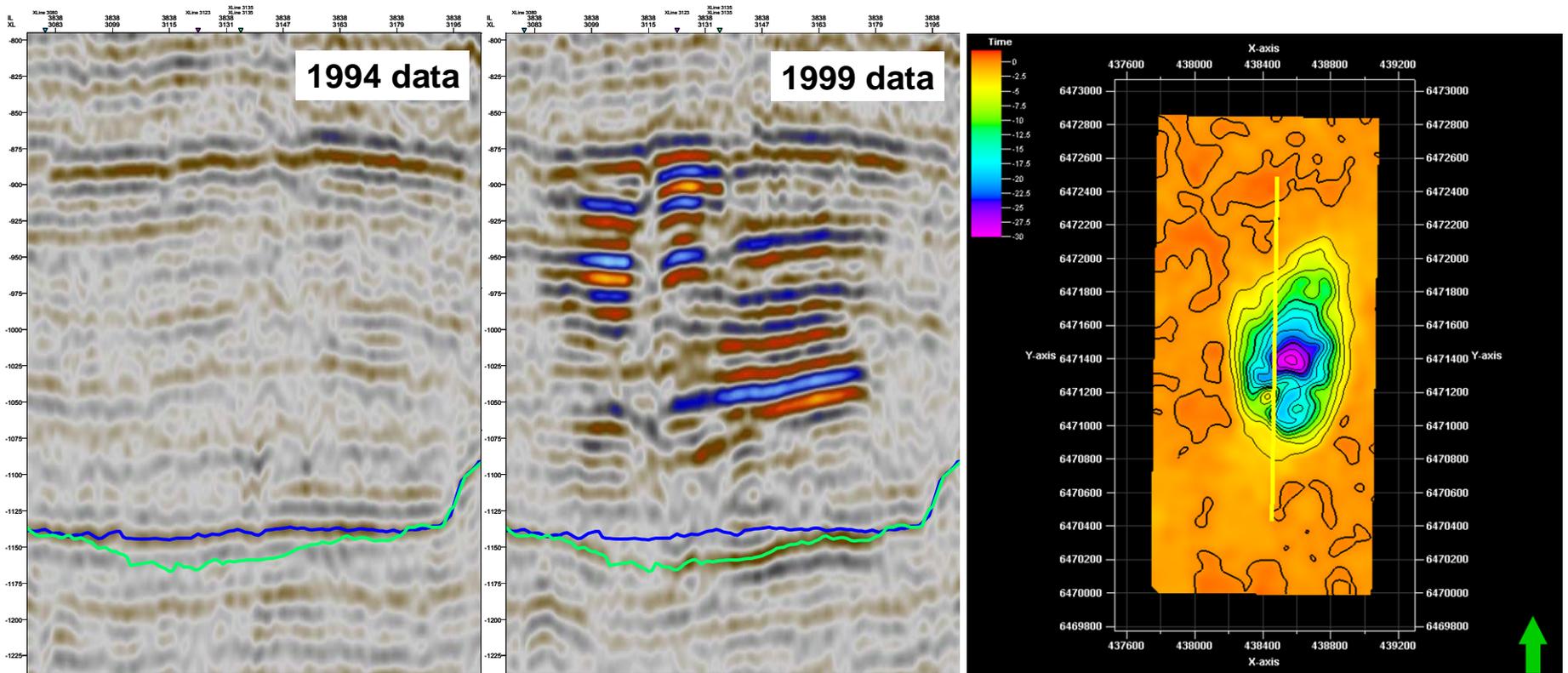
## CO<sub>2</sub> plume in map view



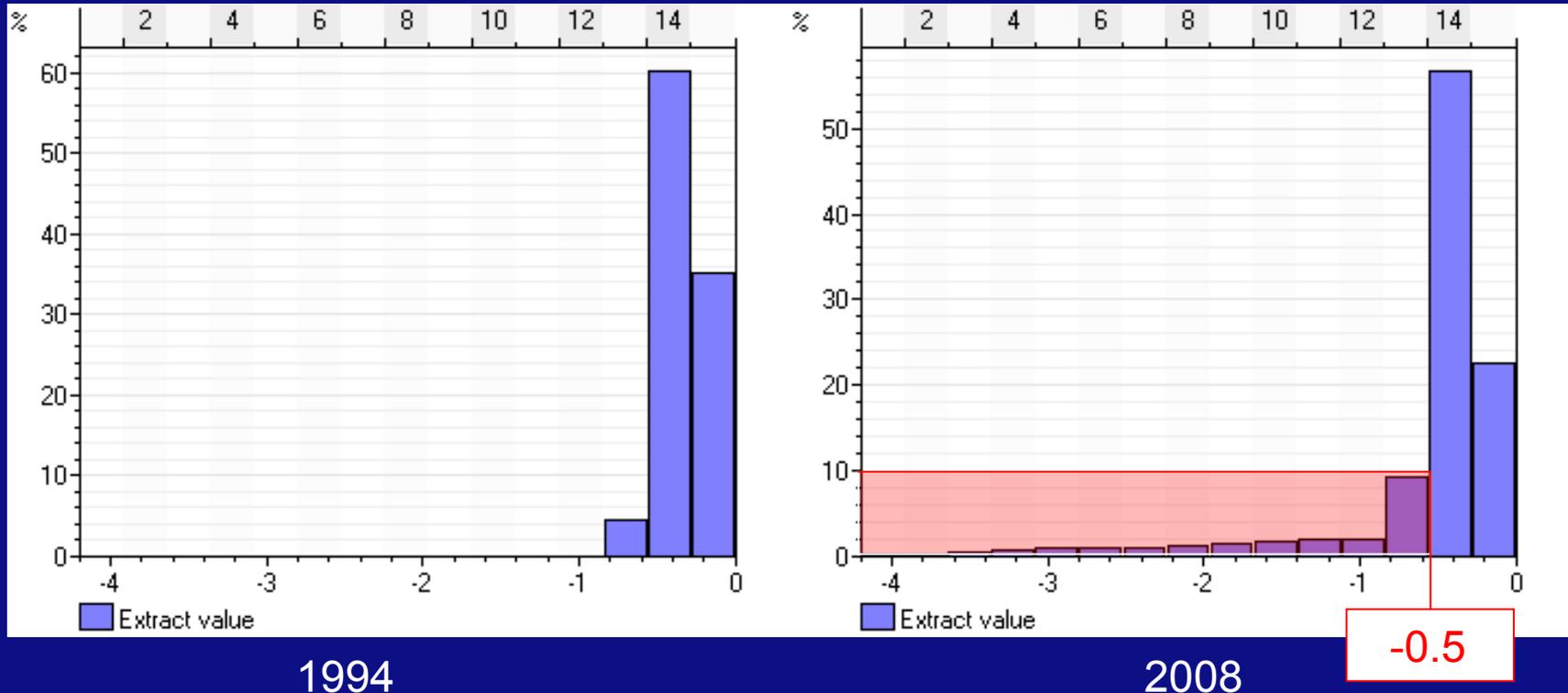
# Inline of TL-seismic surveys



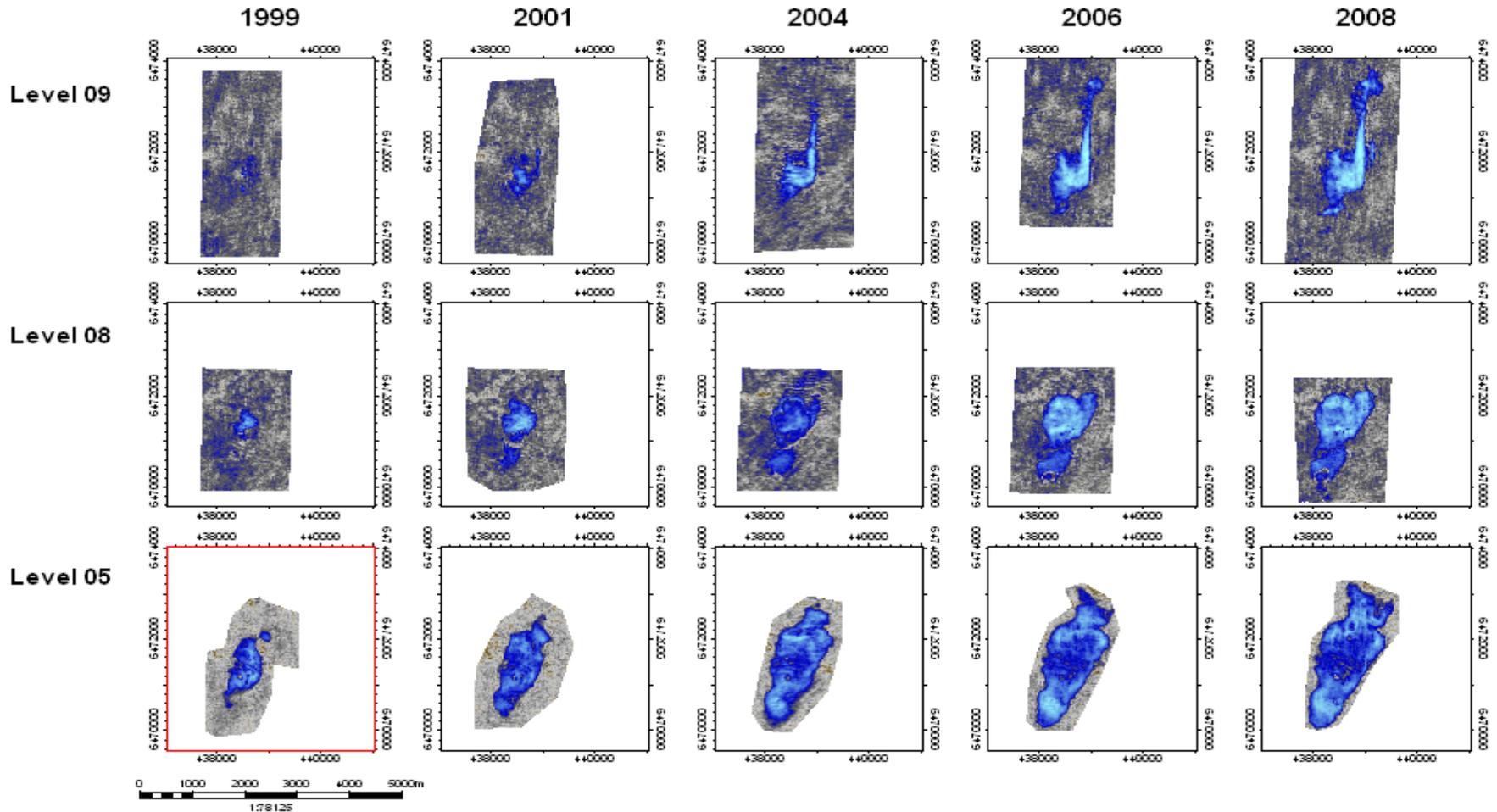
# Determination of the pushdown



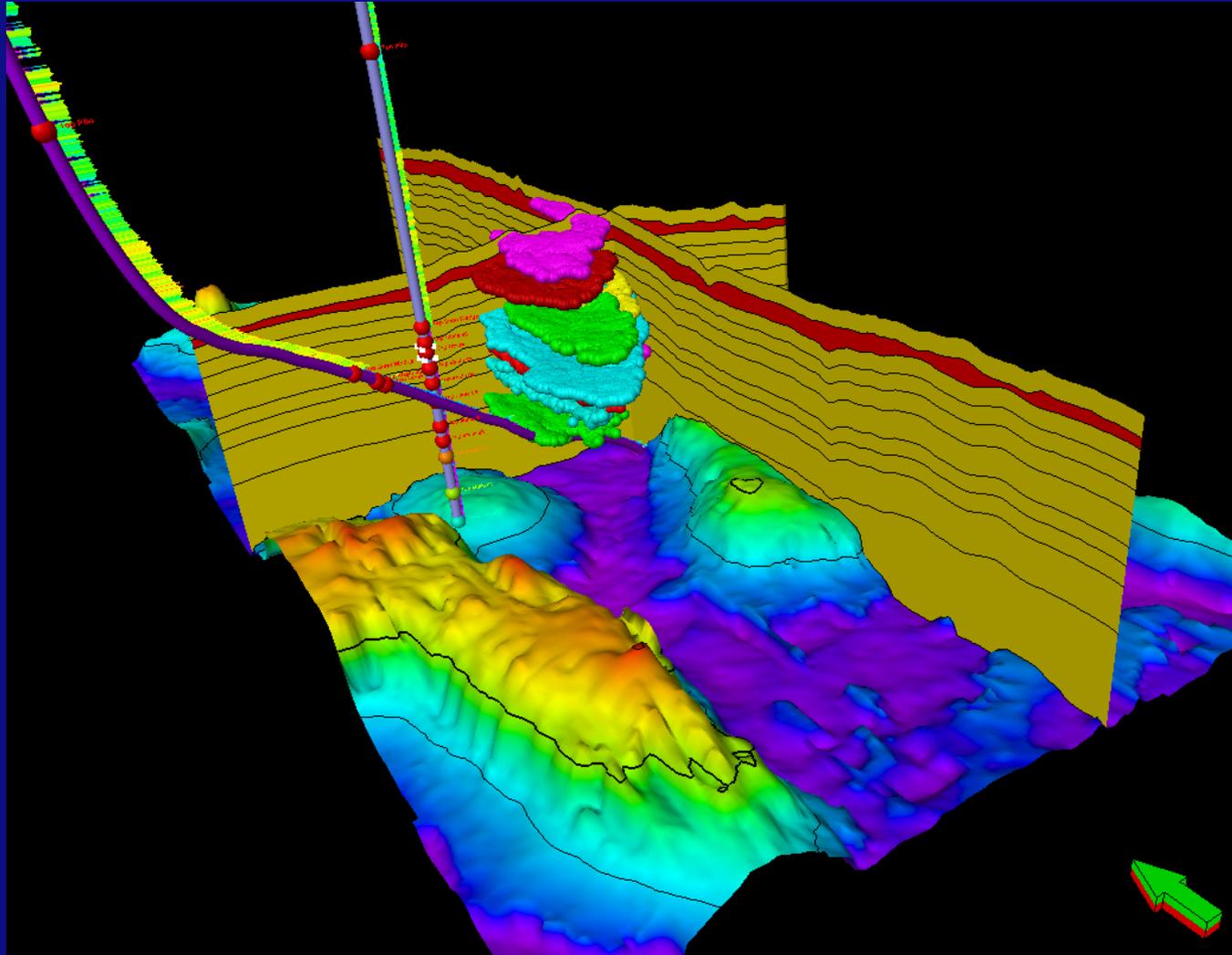
# Histogram of the amplitudes: Amplitudes lower than -0.5 suggest presence of CO<sub>2</sub>



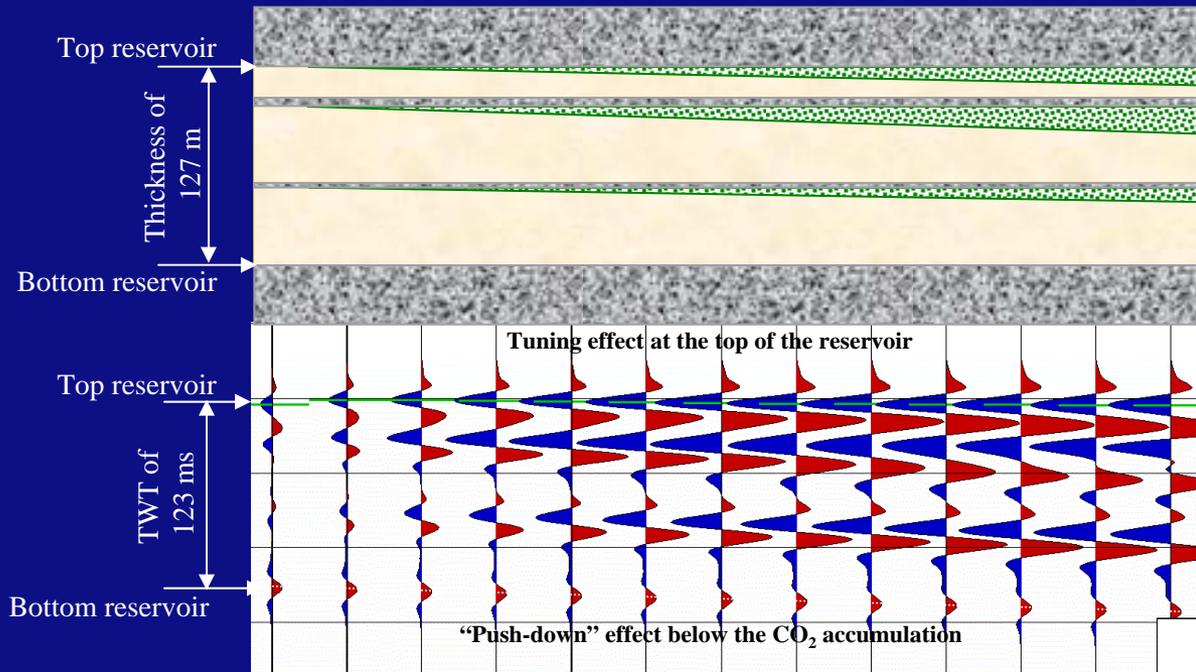
# Most important CO<sub>2</sub> amplitude maps from 3D survey



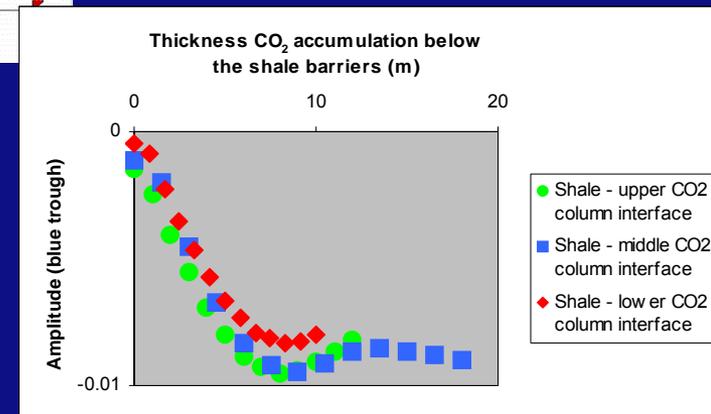
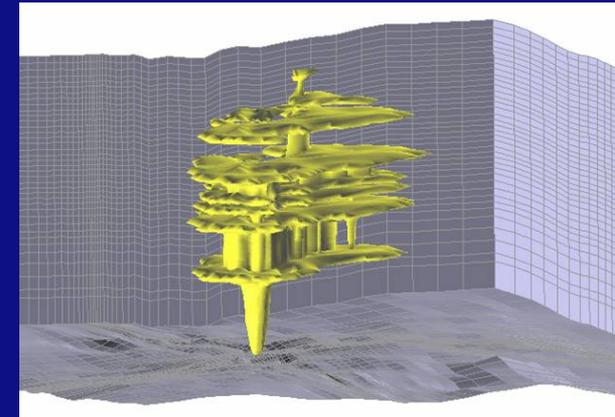
# Impression of the 2002 CO<sub>2</sub> accumulations interpreted from the seismic data



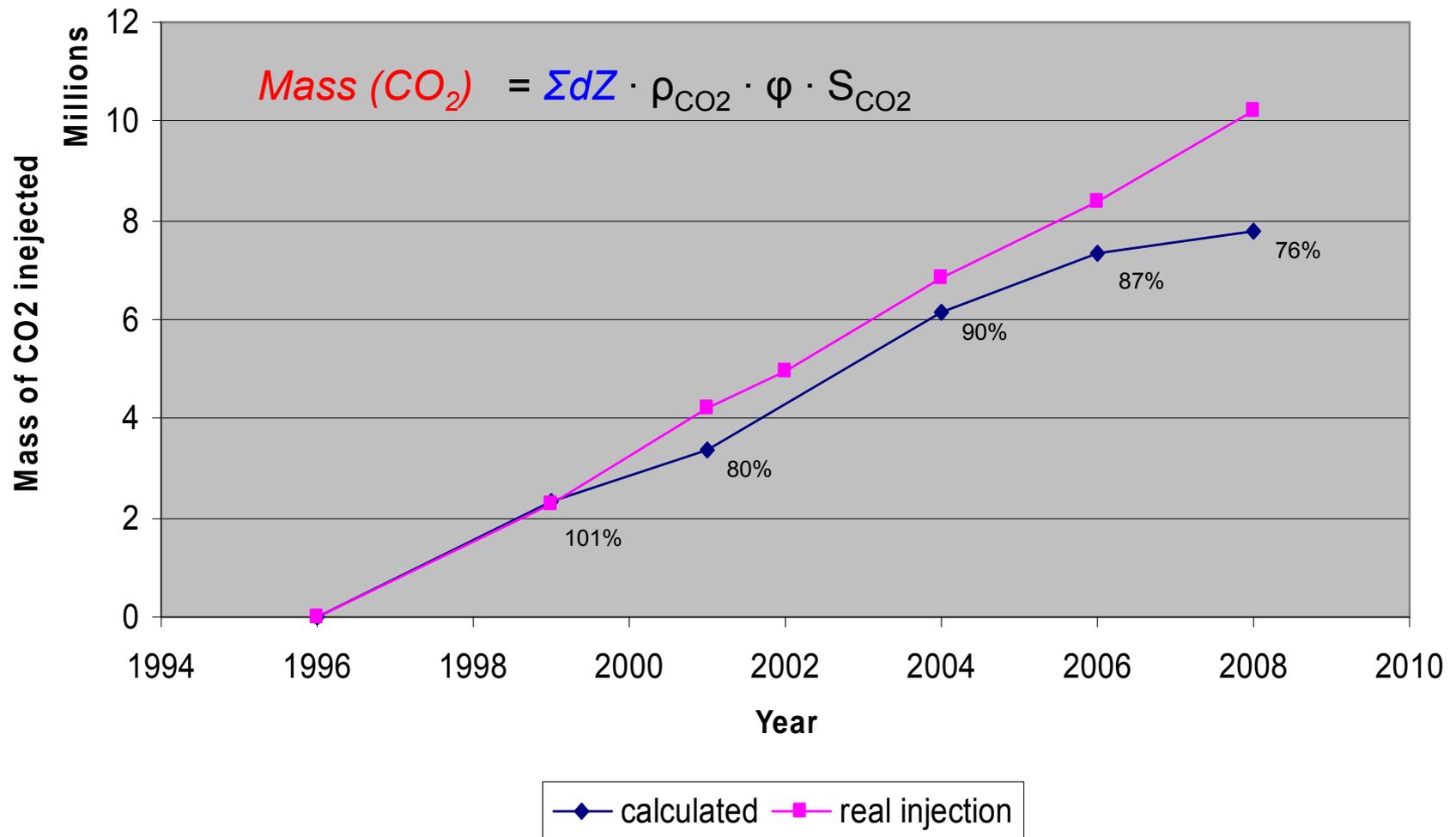
# Synthetic modeling of the seismic response



- Sand
- CO<sub>2</sub>
- Shale



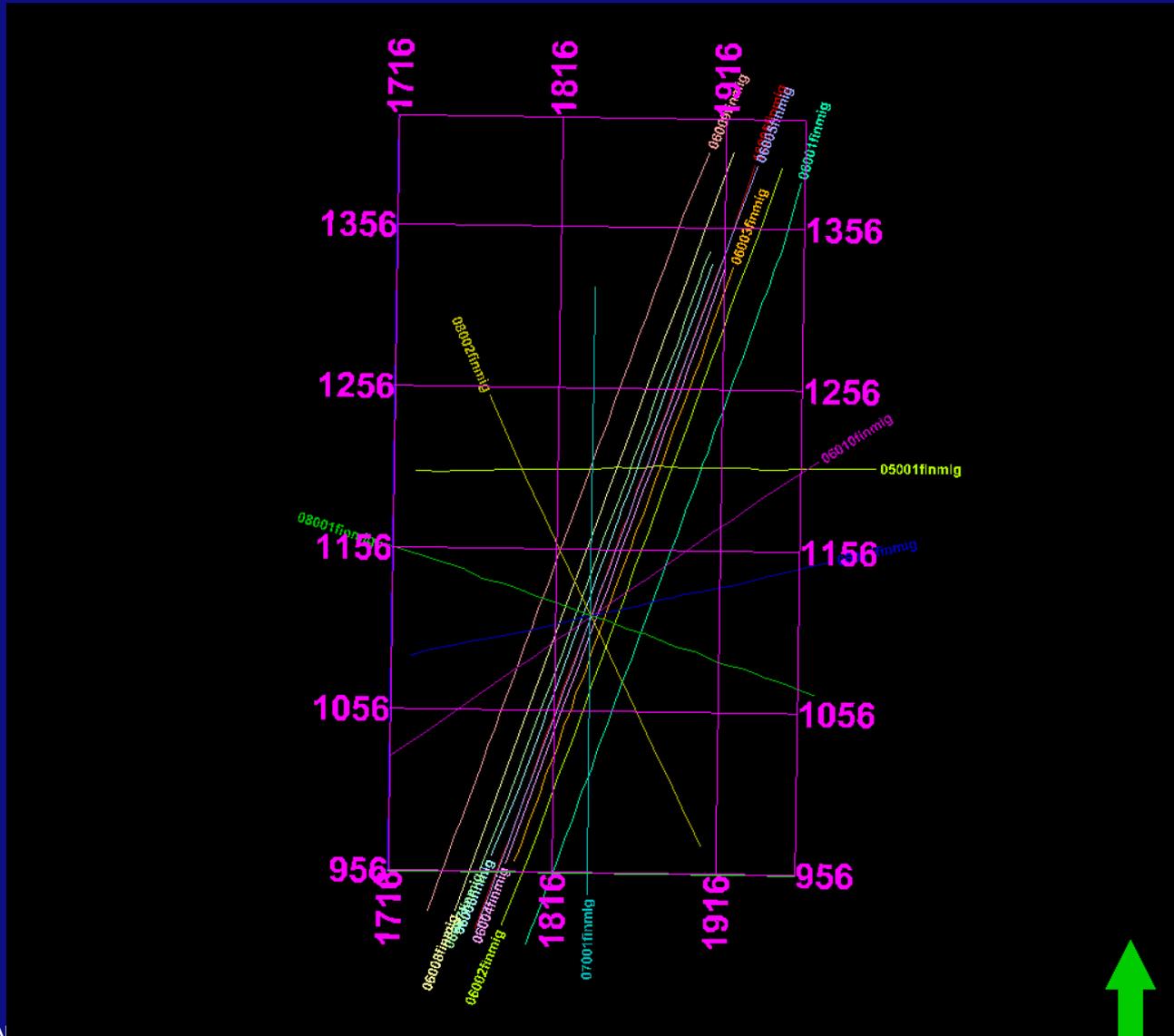
# CO<sub>2</sub> in-situ mass verification based on seismic amplitudes



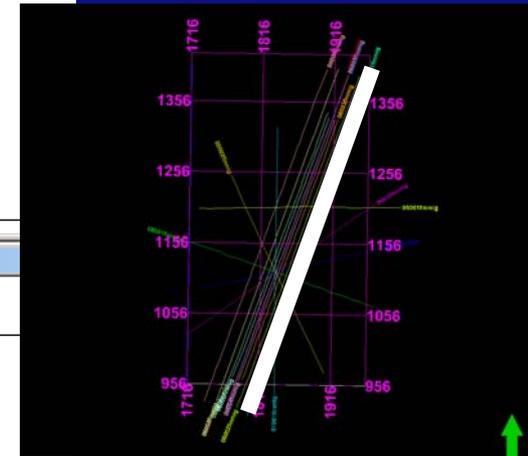
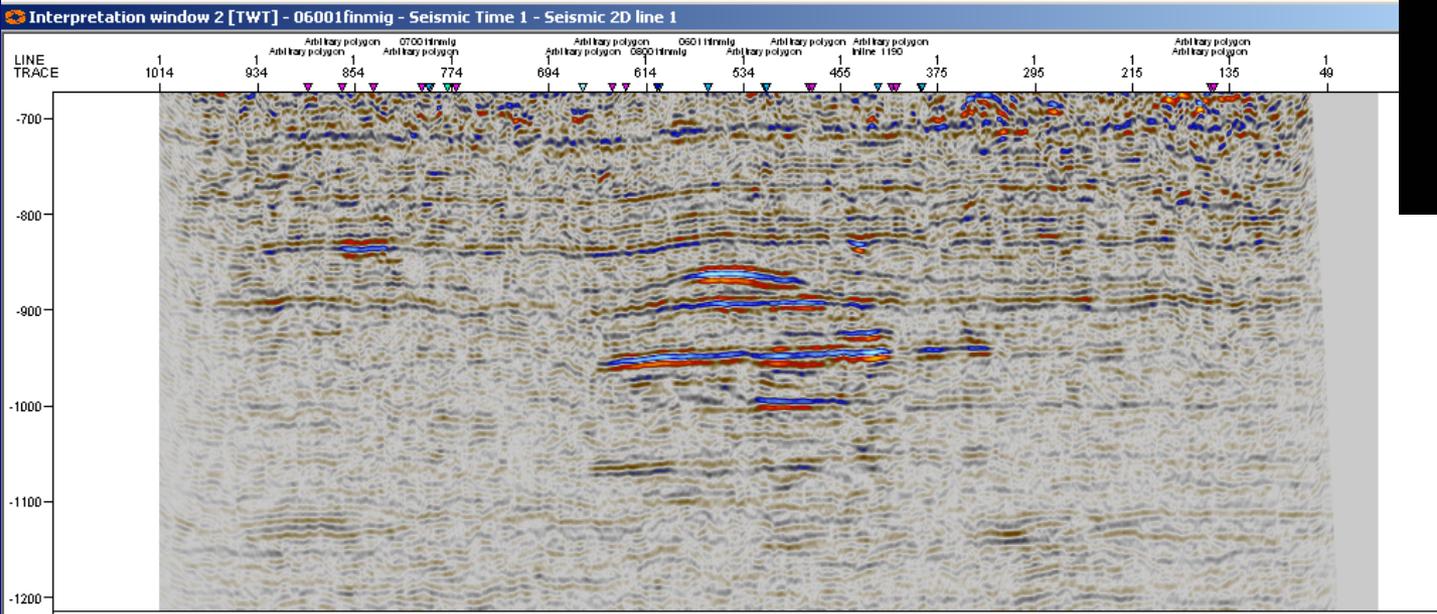
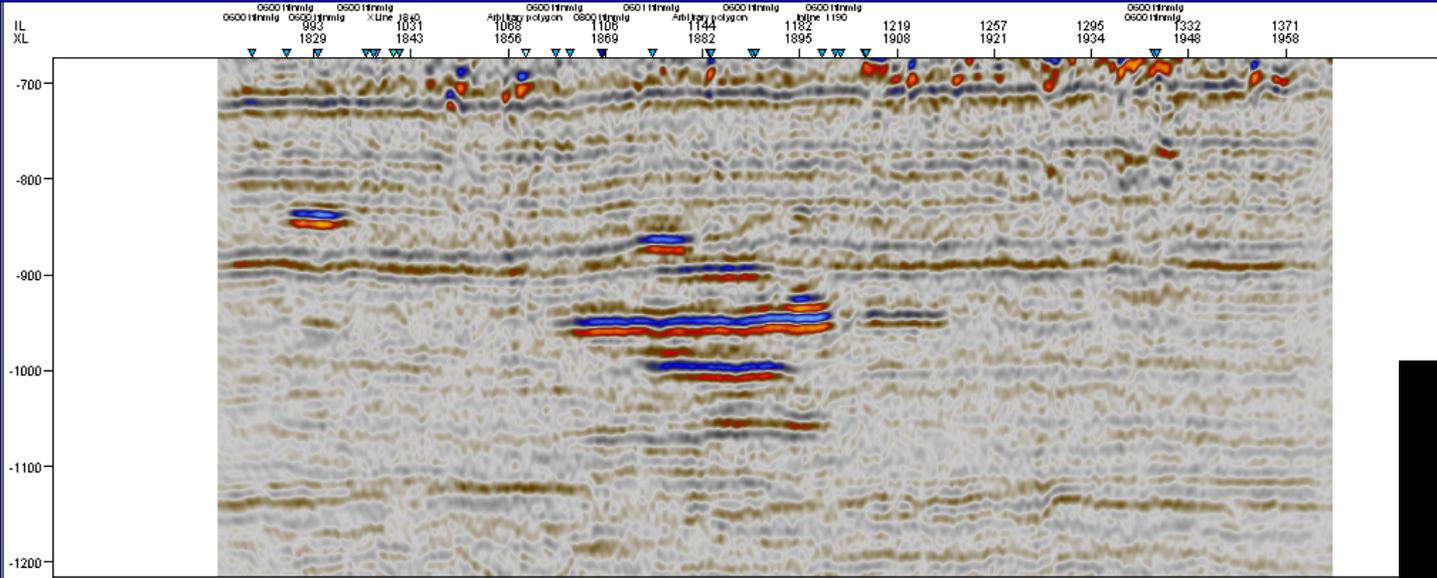
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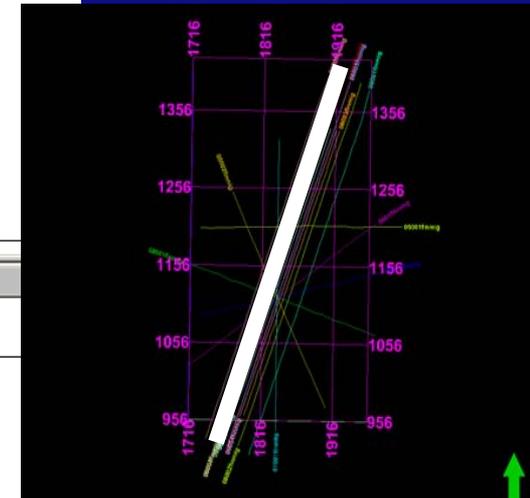
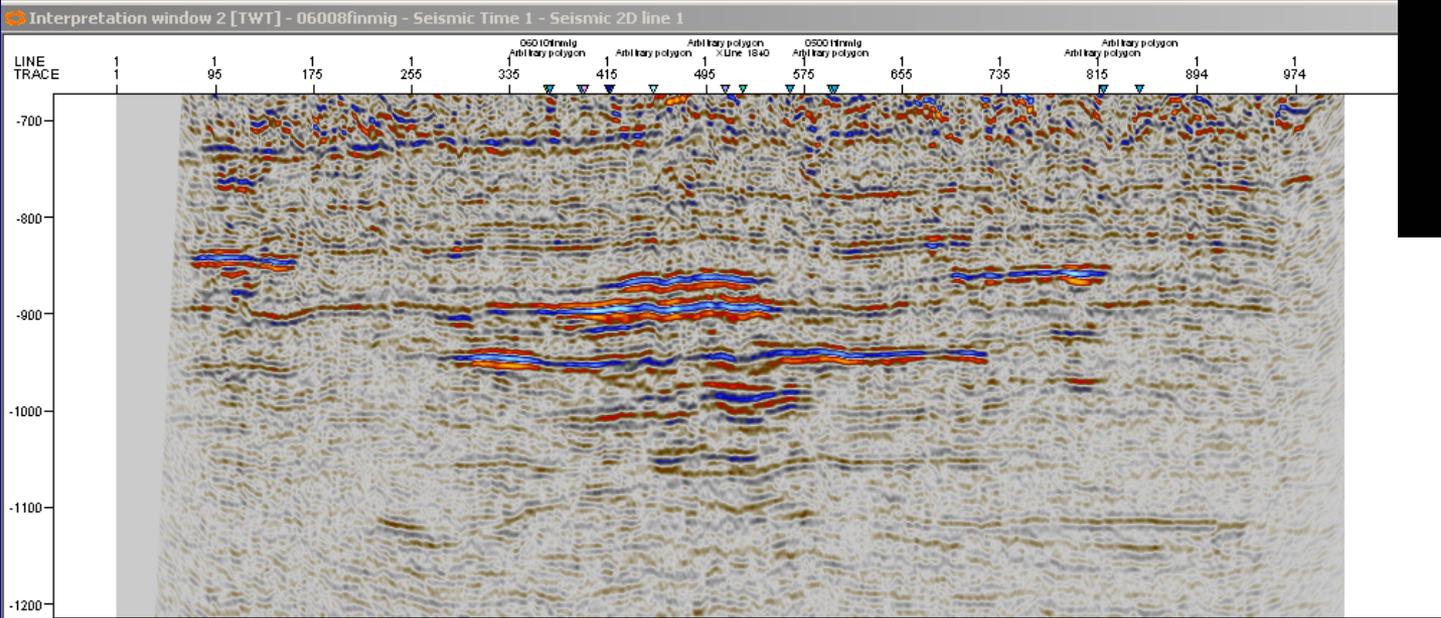
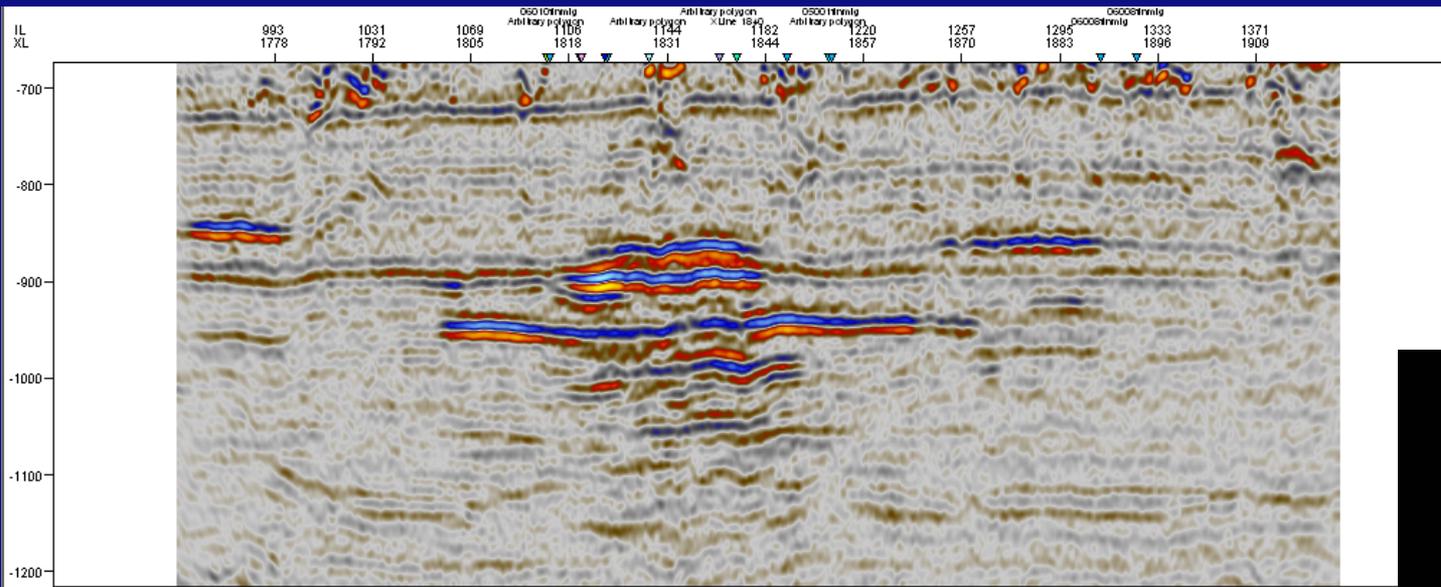
# High resolution seismic lines acquired in 2006



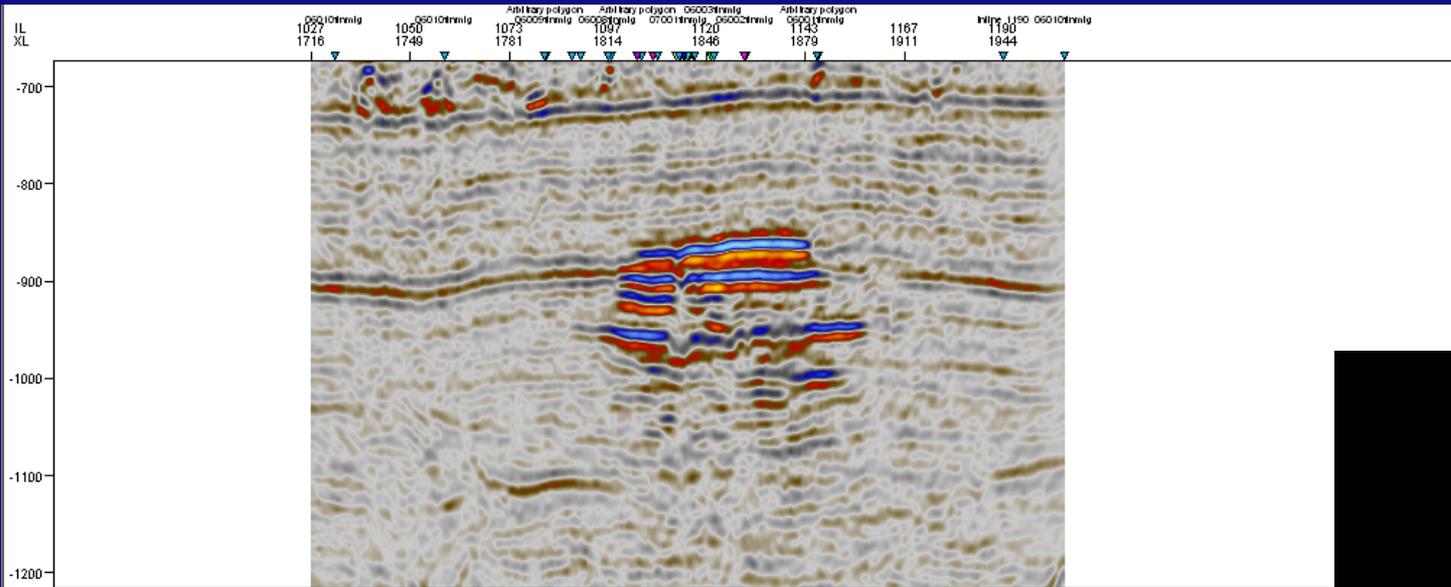
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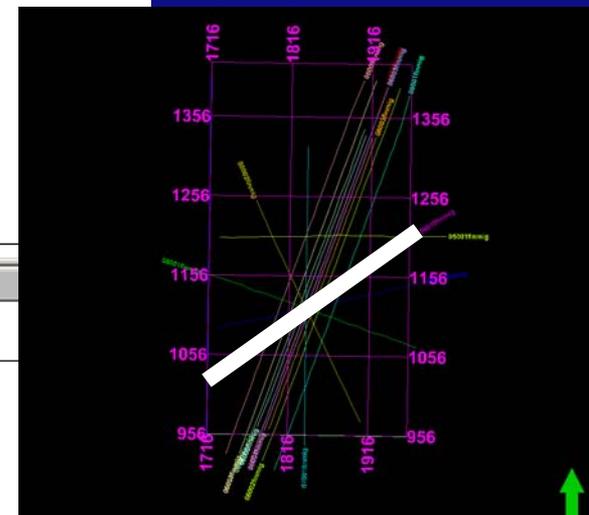
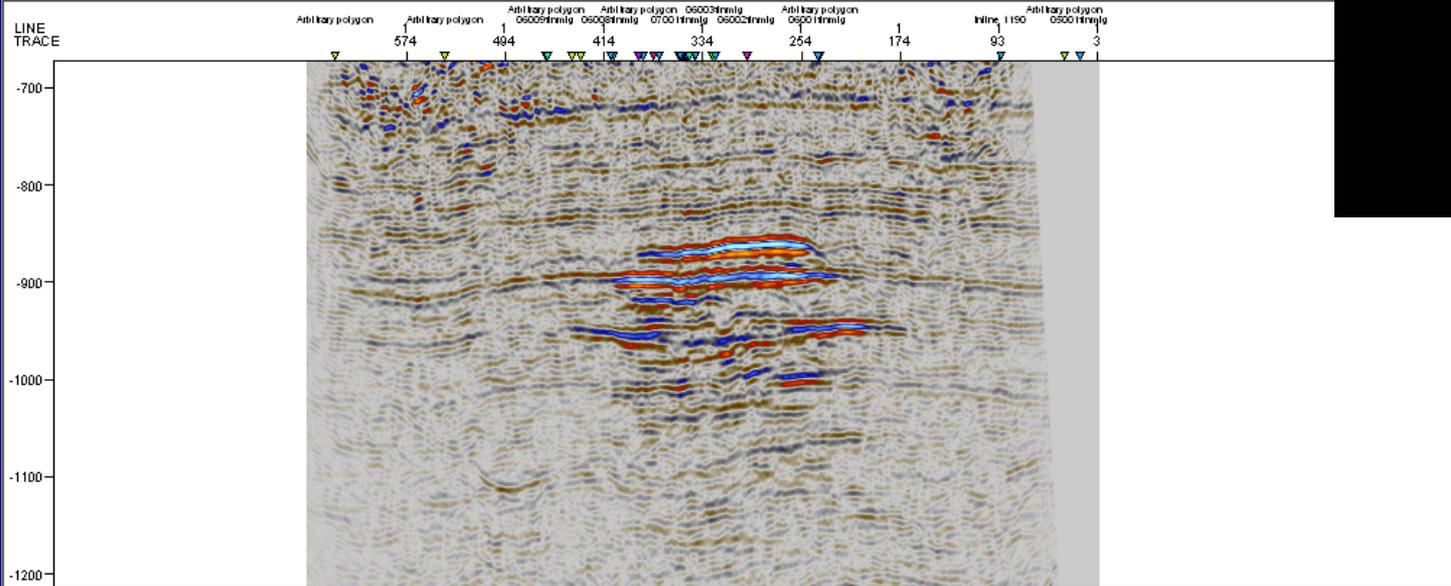
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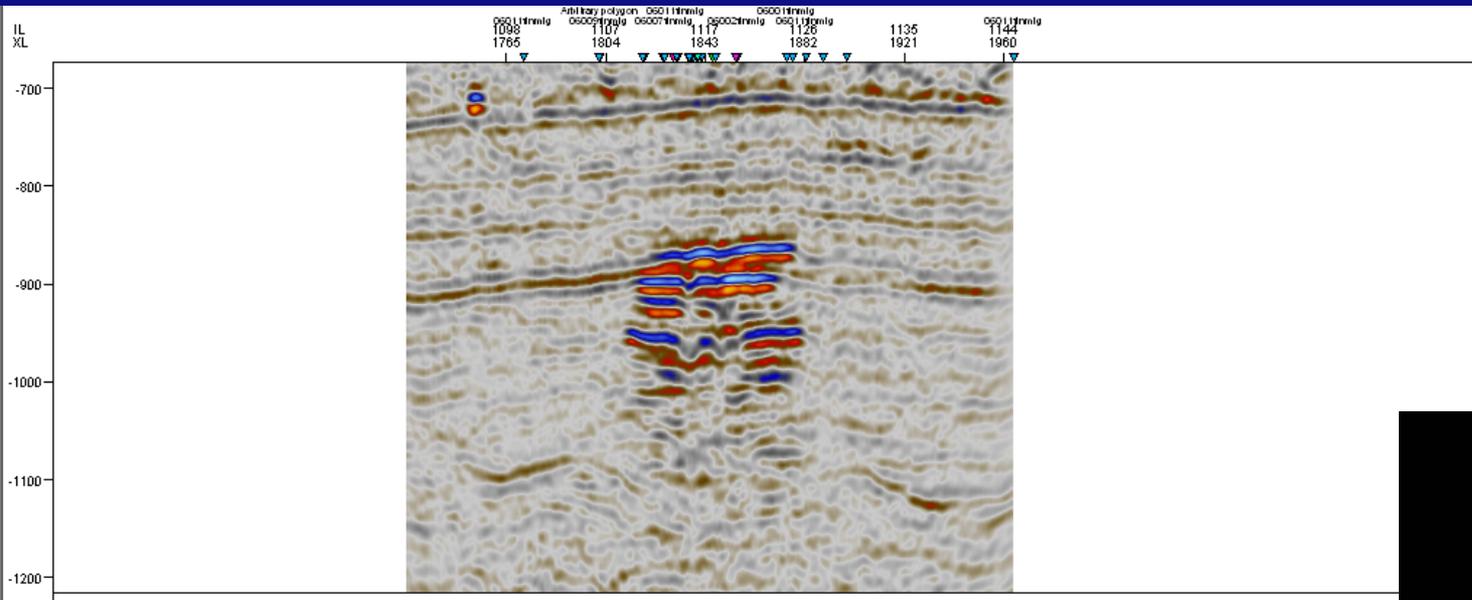
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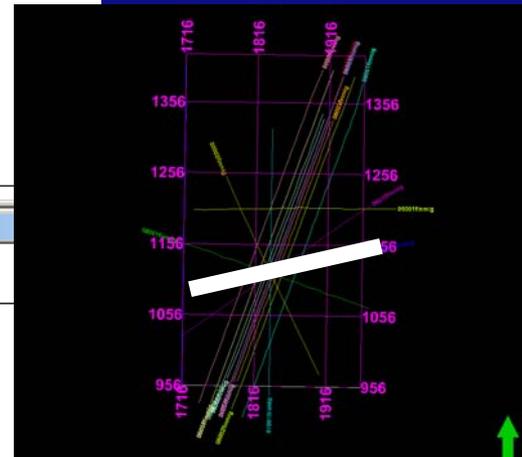
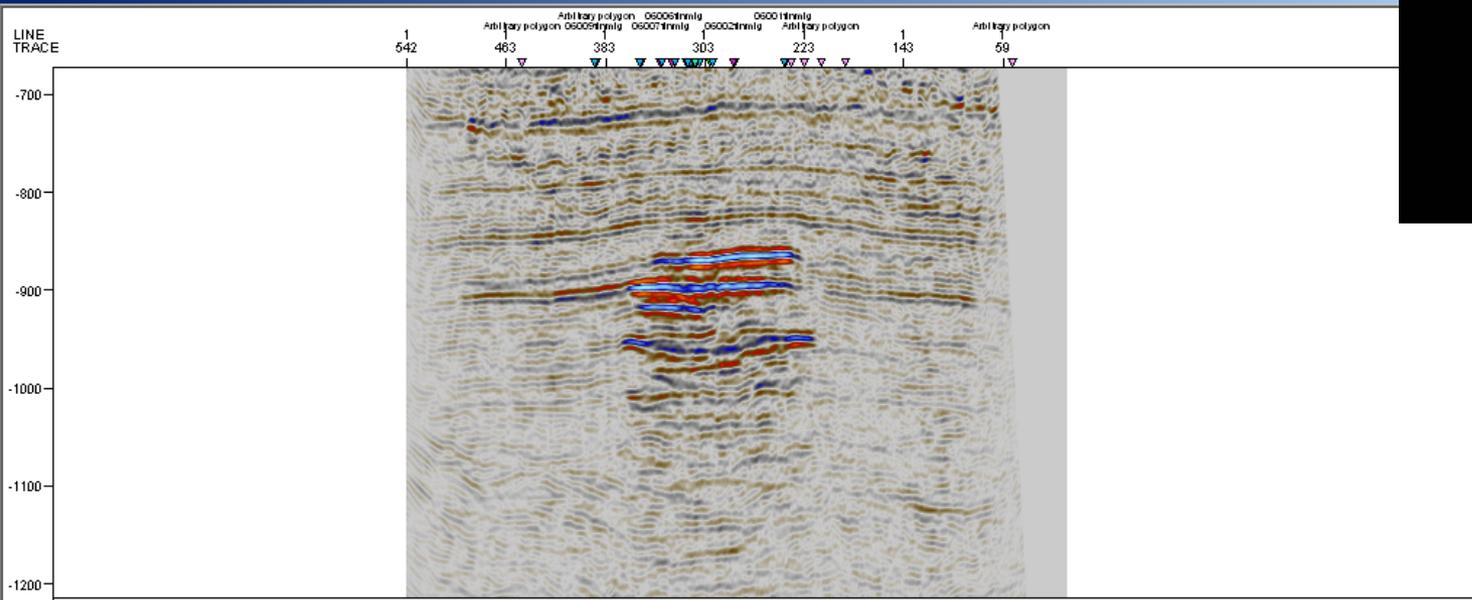
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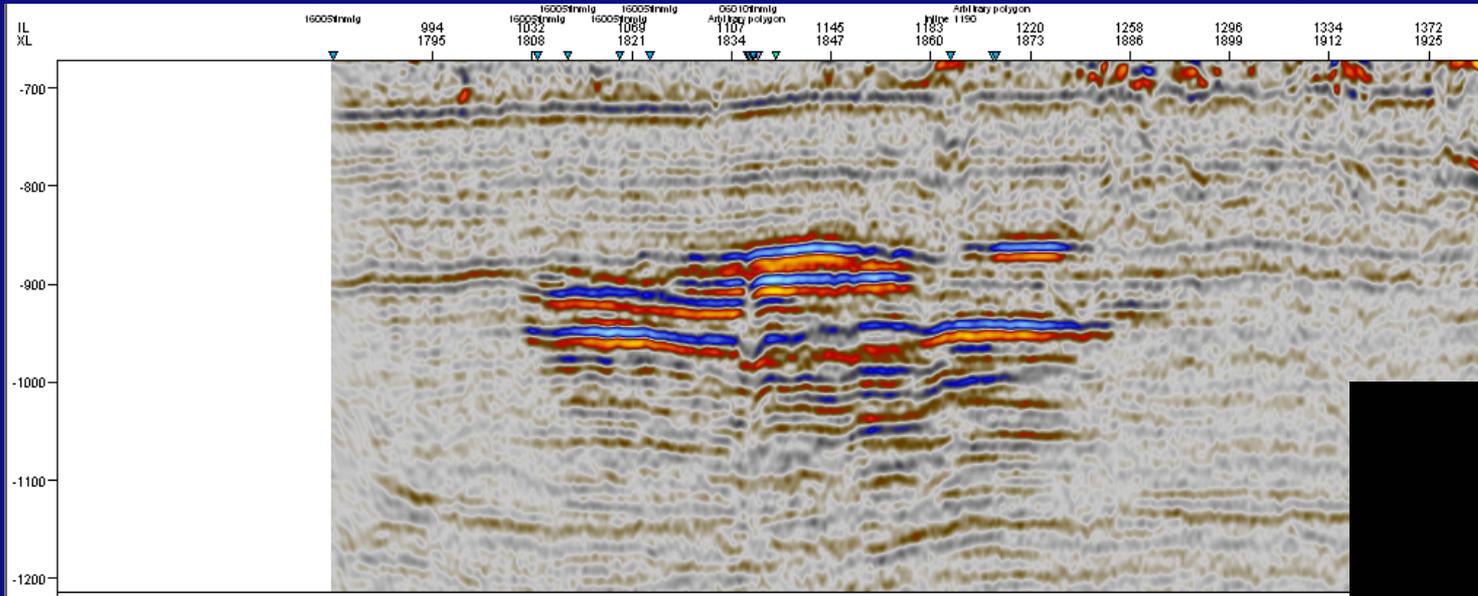
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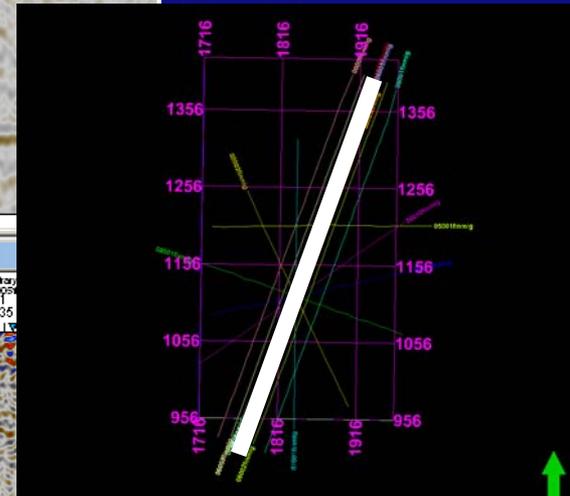
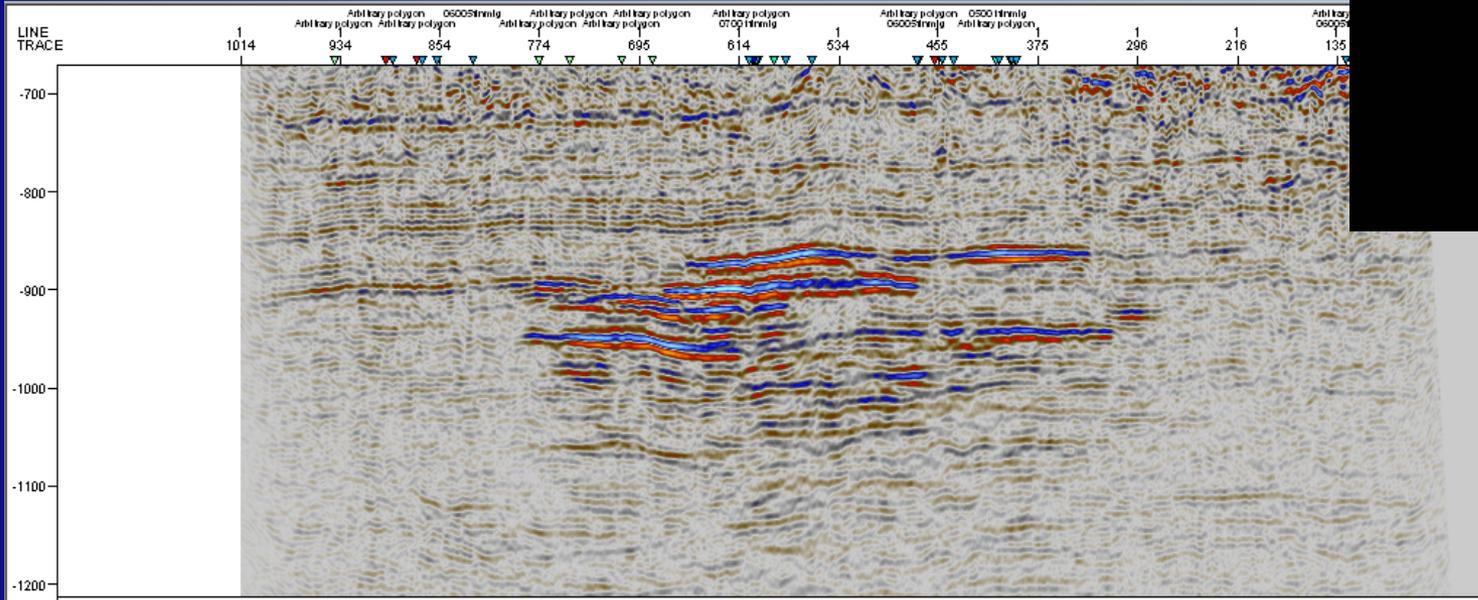
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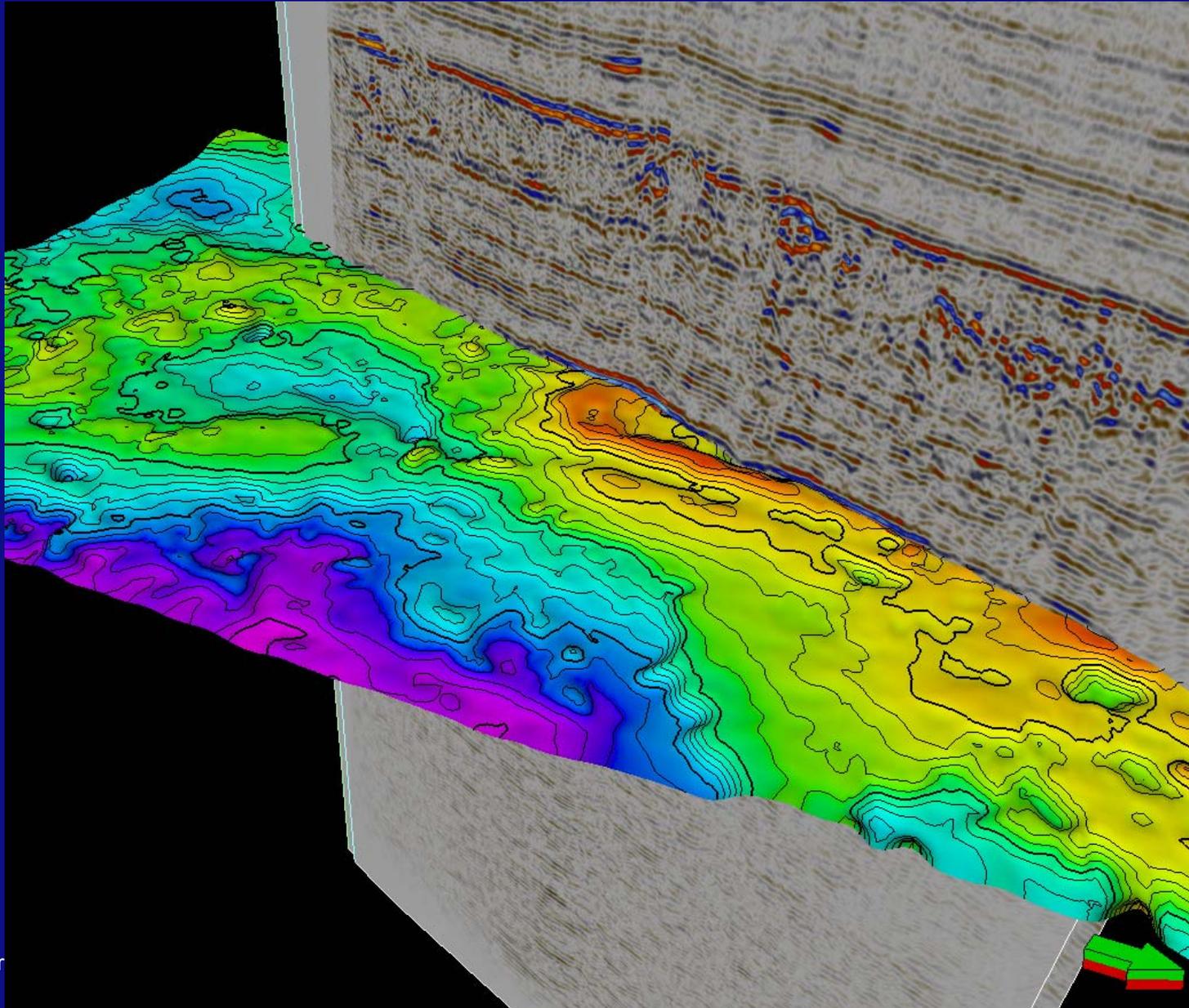
# Comparison high-res vs. 3D lines (line 16005)



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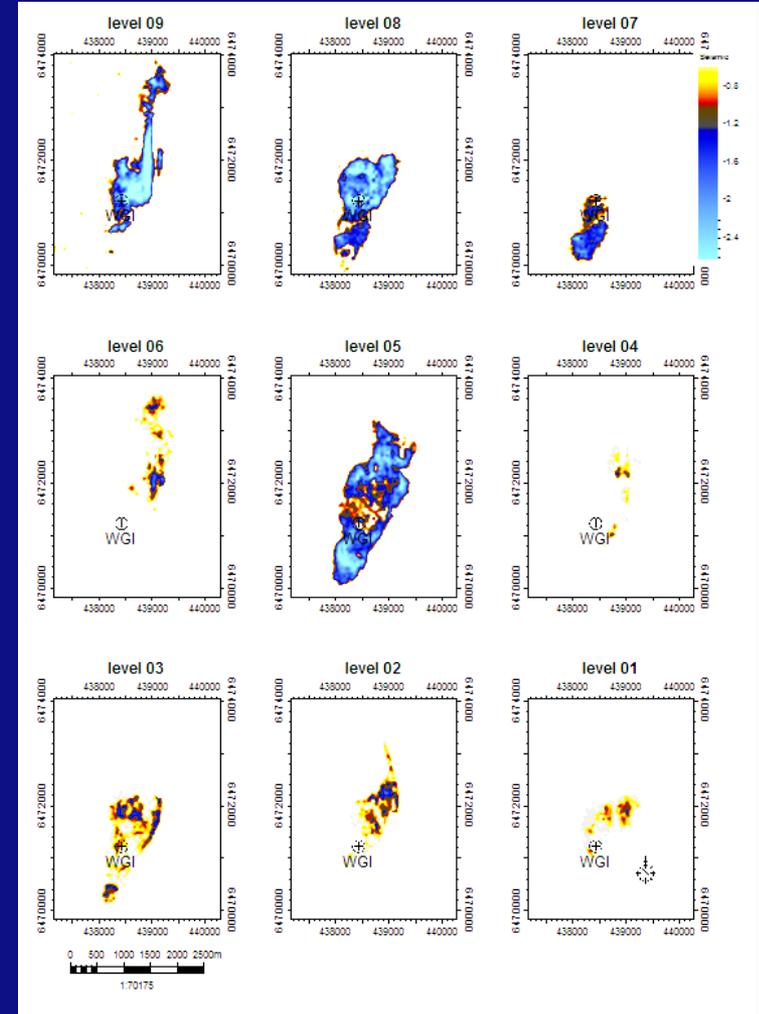
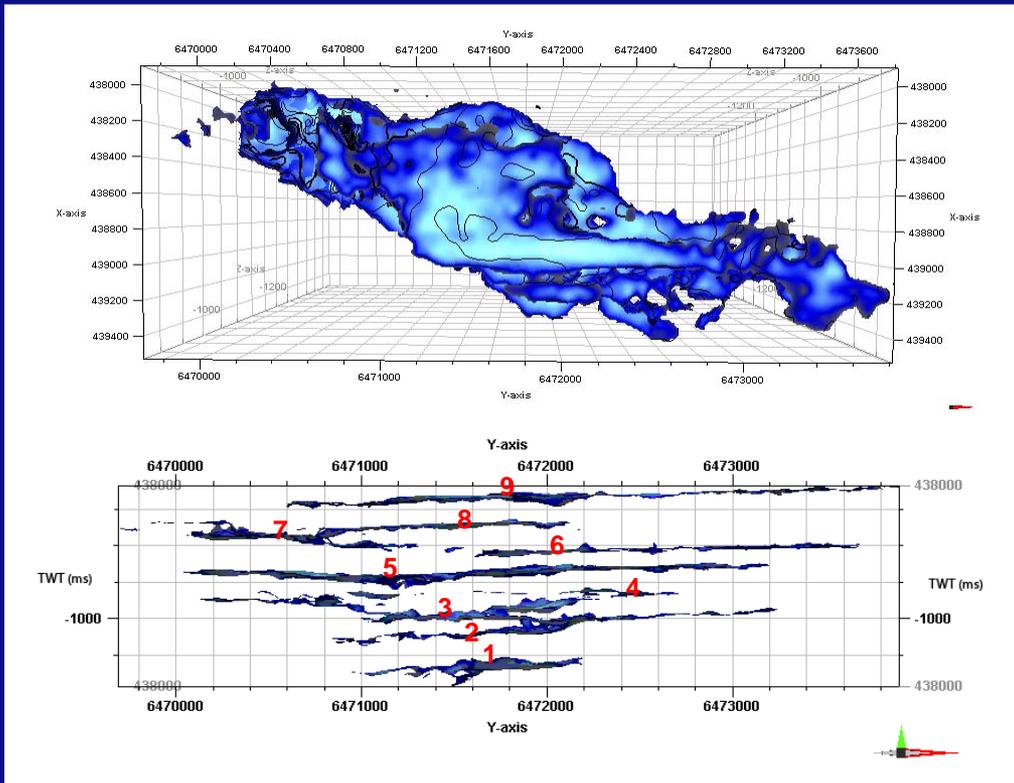
# 3D interpretation and the high-res lines (line 6006)

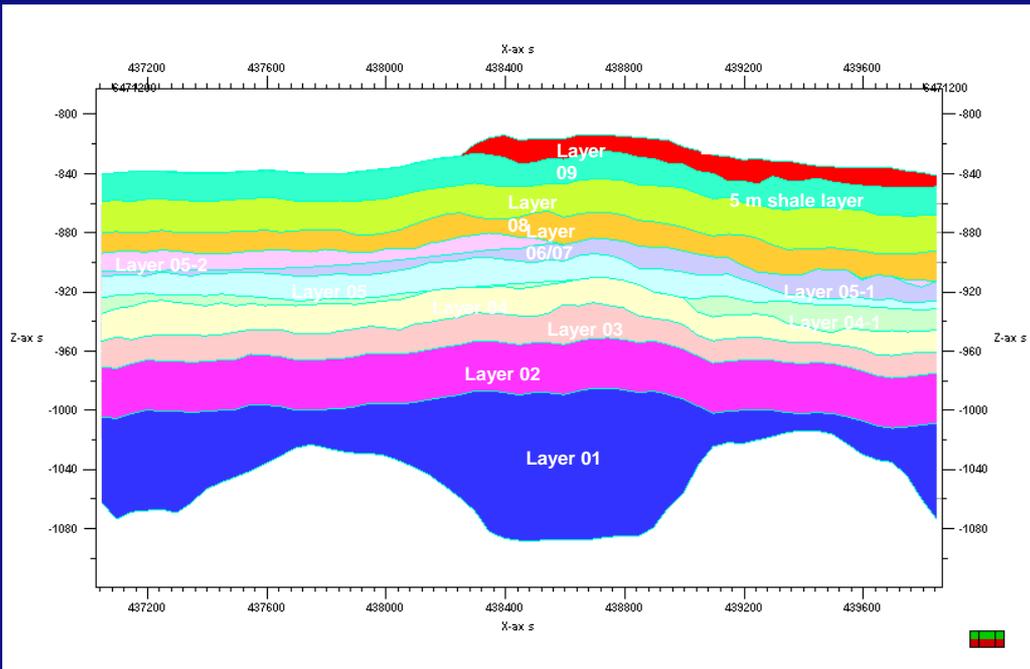


# Interpretation of CO<sub>2</sub> levels in 2008

## The CO<sub>2</sub> plume:

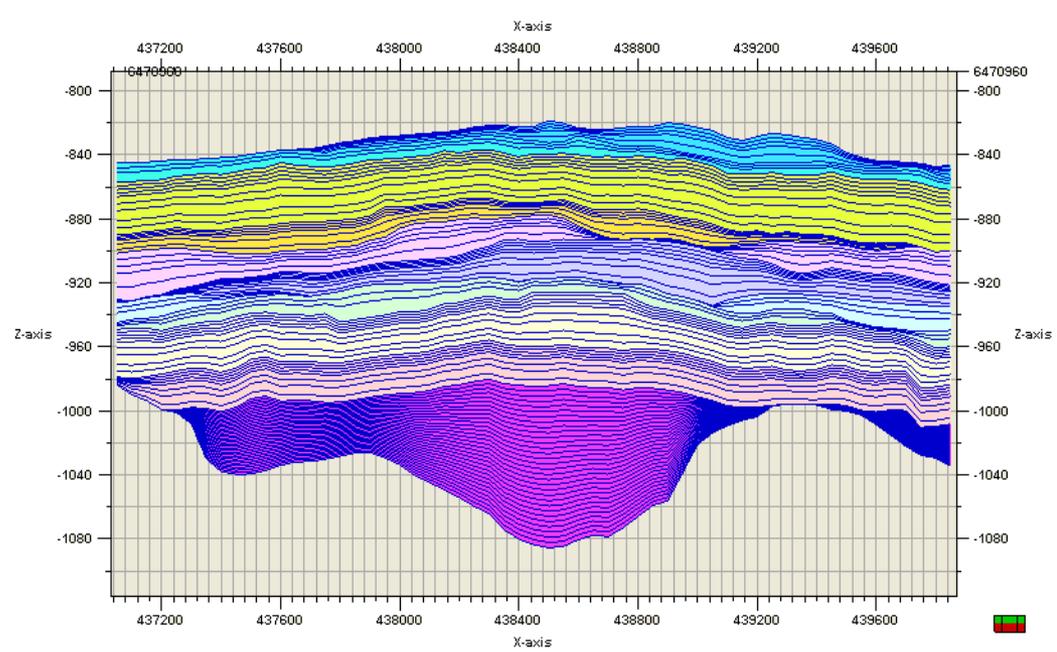
- 1500 m in 1999 - 4000 m in 2008
- Roughly 200 m thick
- Elliptical geometry
- Major levels: 05, 08 & 09



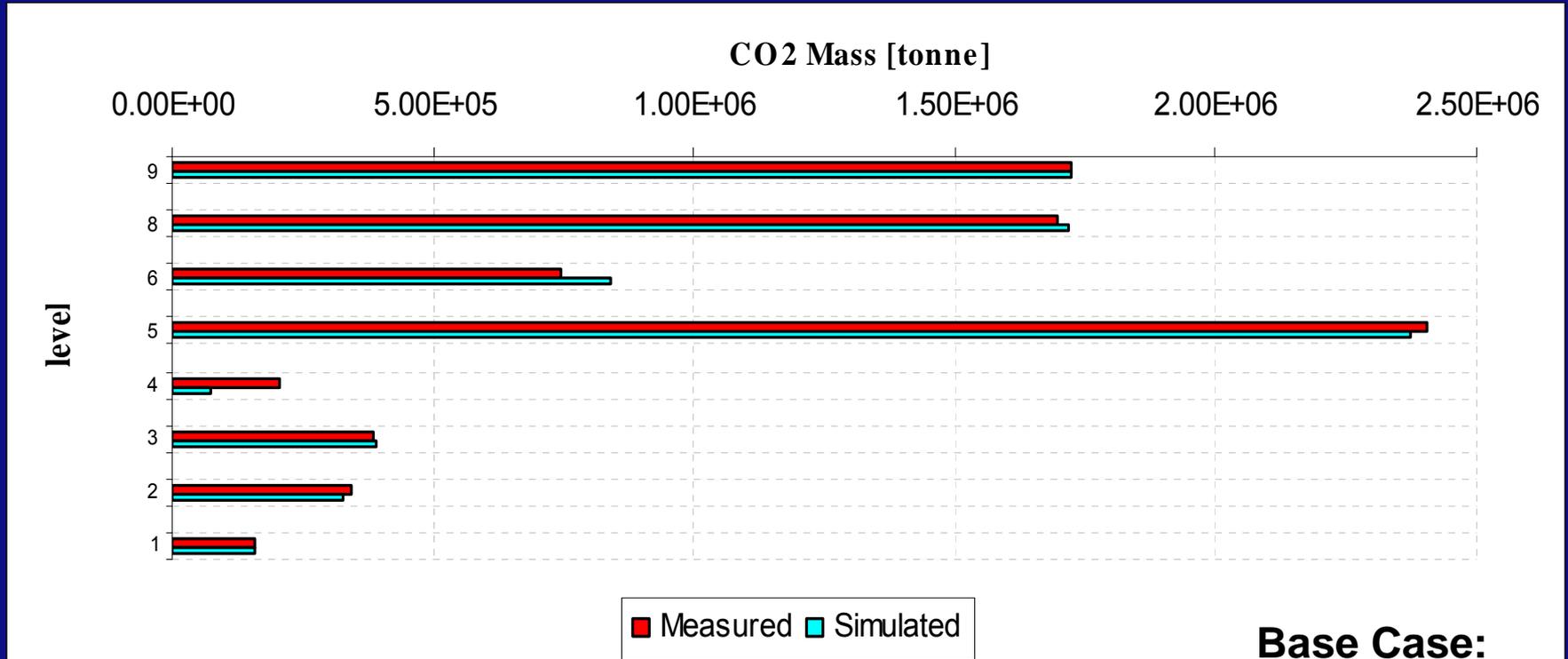


The stratigraphic pattern of the layers in the generated model (around the CO<sub>2</sub> plume).

The resulting reservoir simulation model



# History Match of the Sleipner CO<sub>2</sub> Injection, Using 4D Seismic Data: Base case model matched in 2008



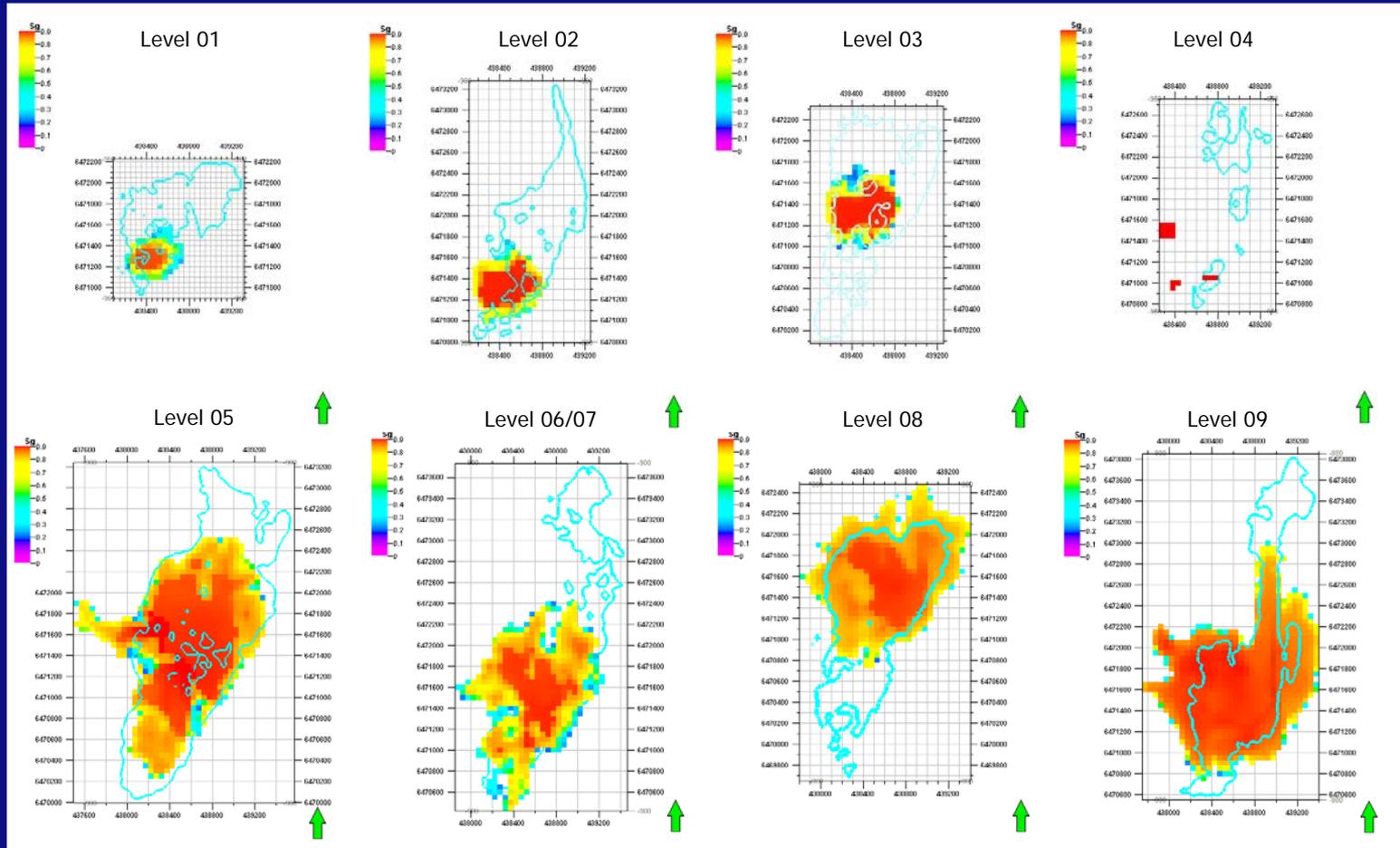
**Base Case:**

$$T_{Res} = 37 \text{ } ^\circ \text{ C}$$

$$K_v = K_h = 2 \text{ Darcy}$$

$$\text{Phi} = 38 \text{ \%}$$

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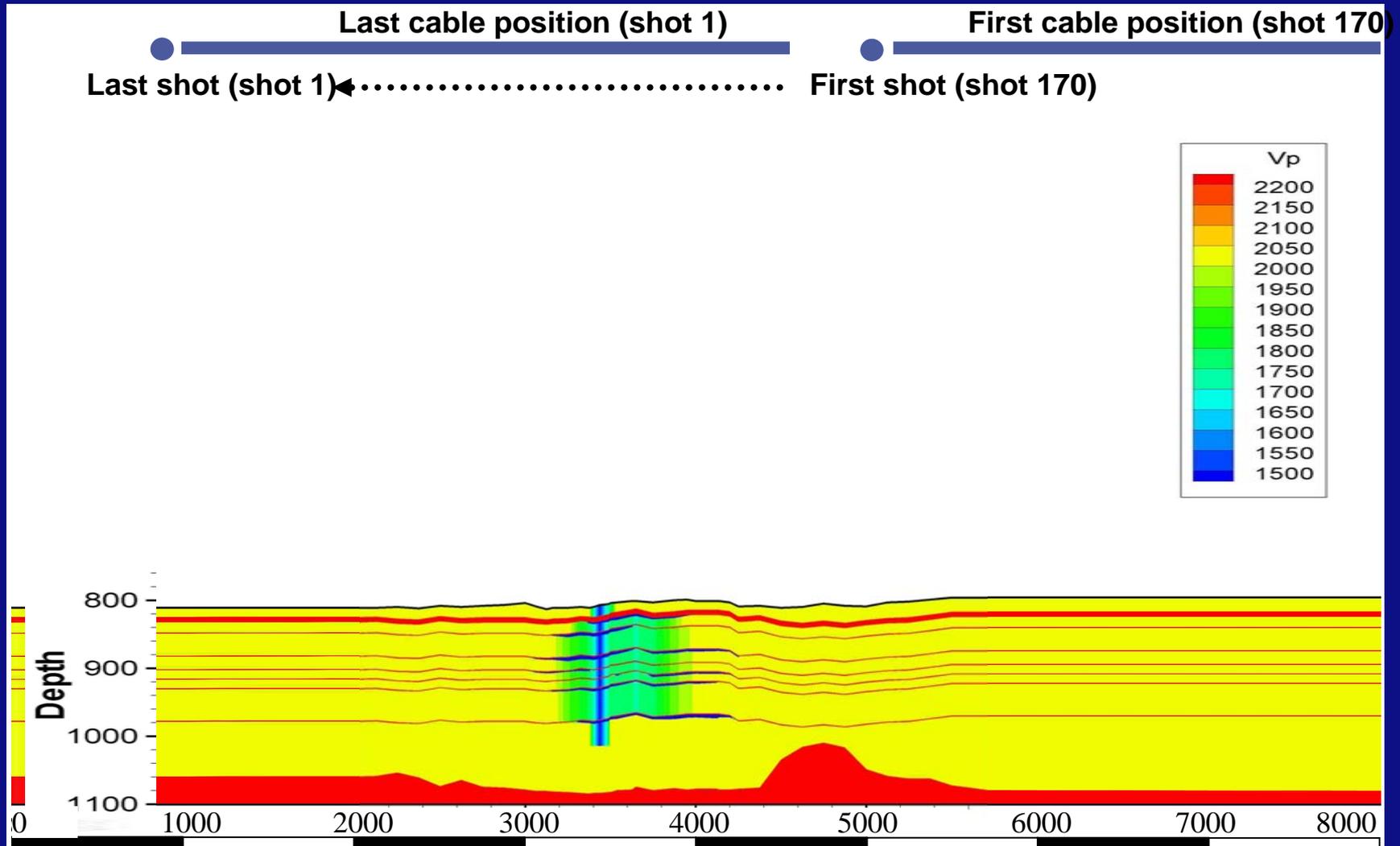


Comparison of the CO<sub>2</sub> anomaly boundary observed of 4D seismic data with the base case simulated CO<sub>2</sub> migration pattern in 2008

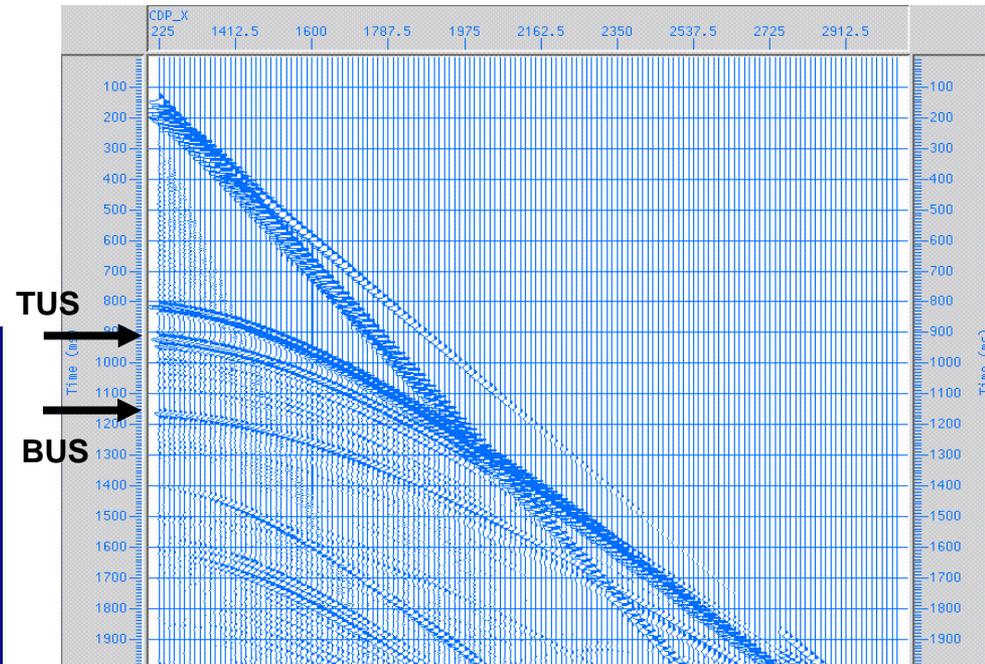
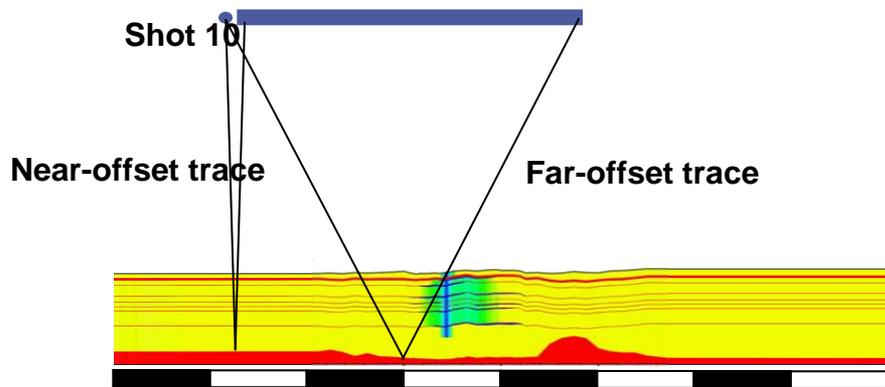
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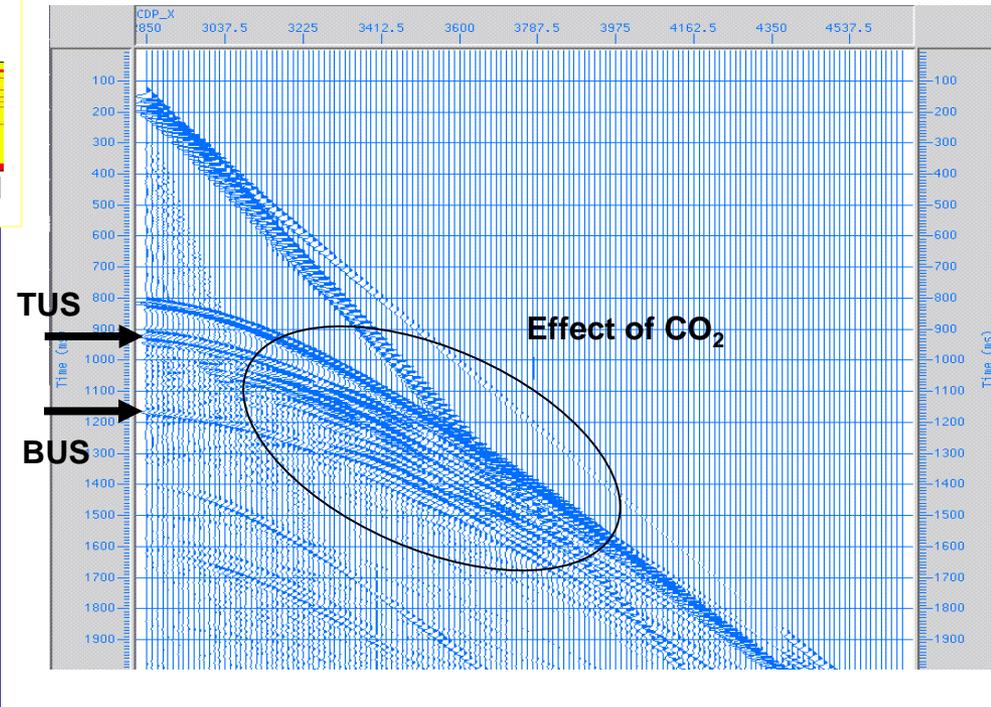
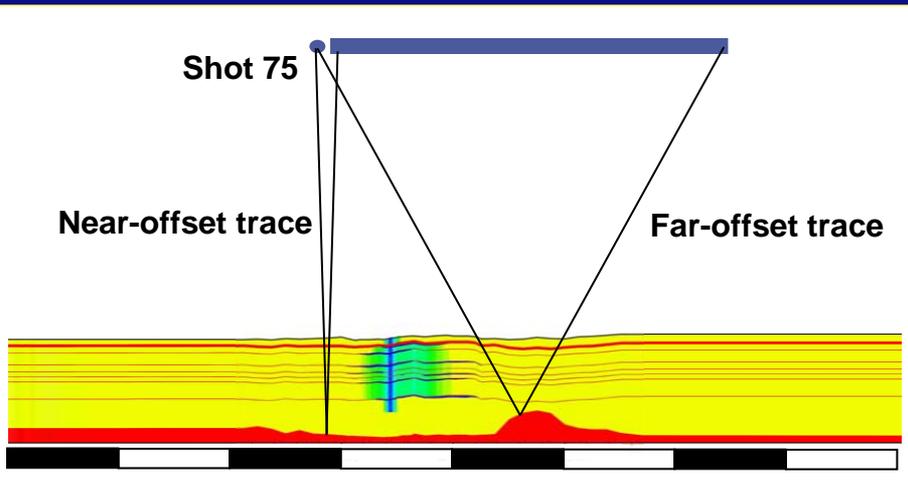
# Layout of the (synthetic) acquisition scheme



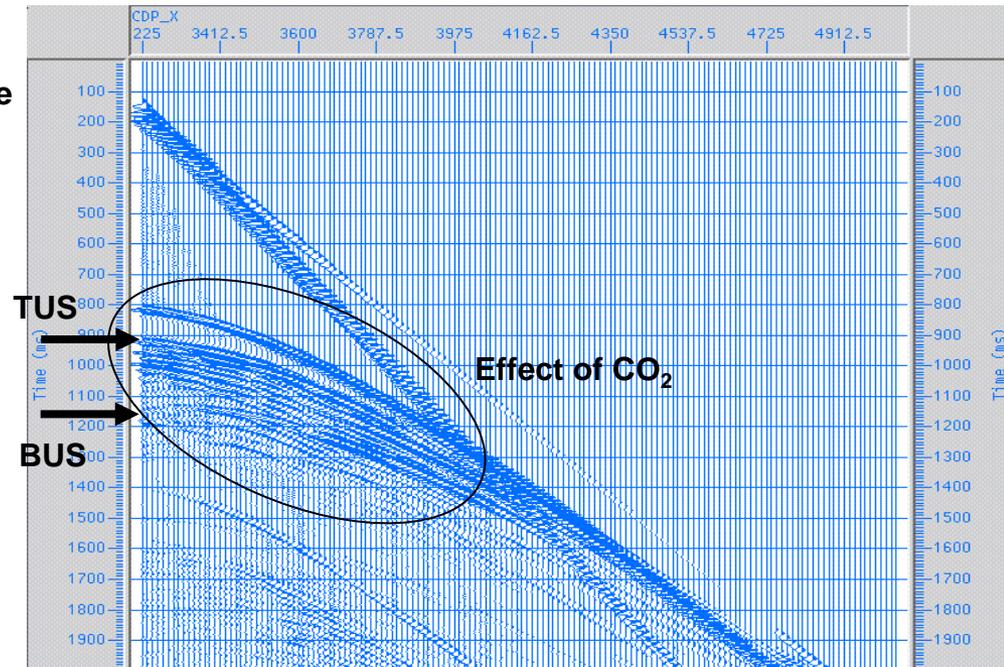
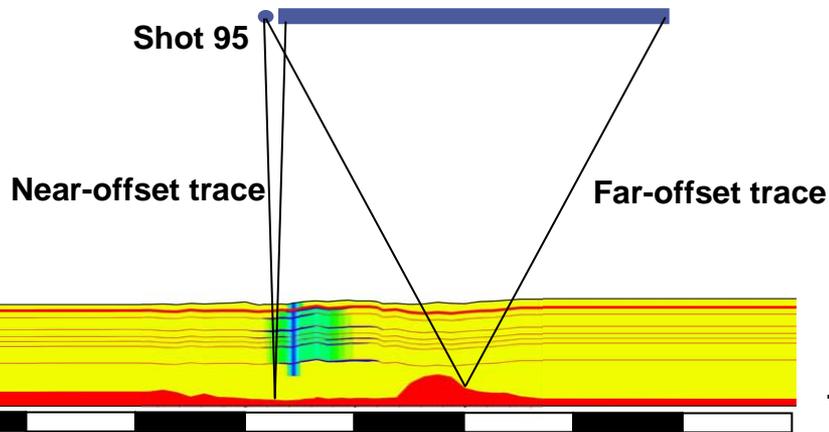
# Shot outside the CO<sub>2</sub> plume



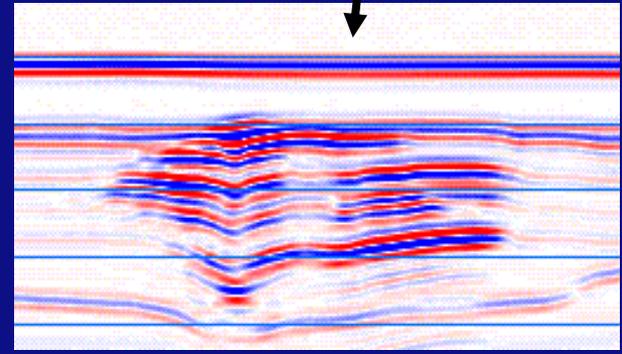
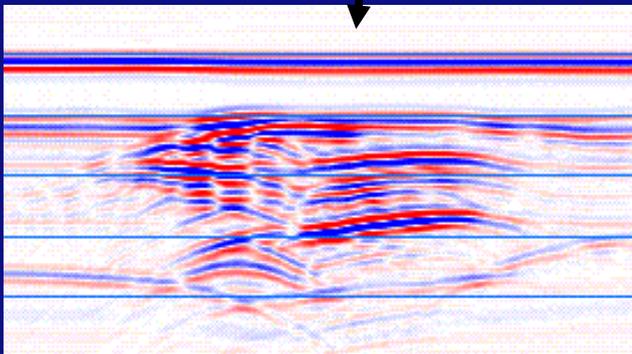
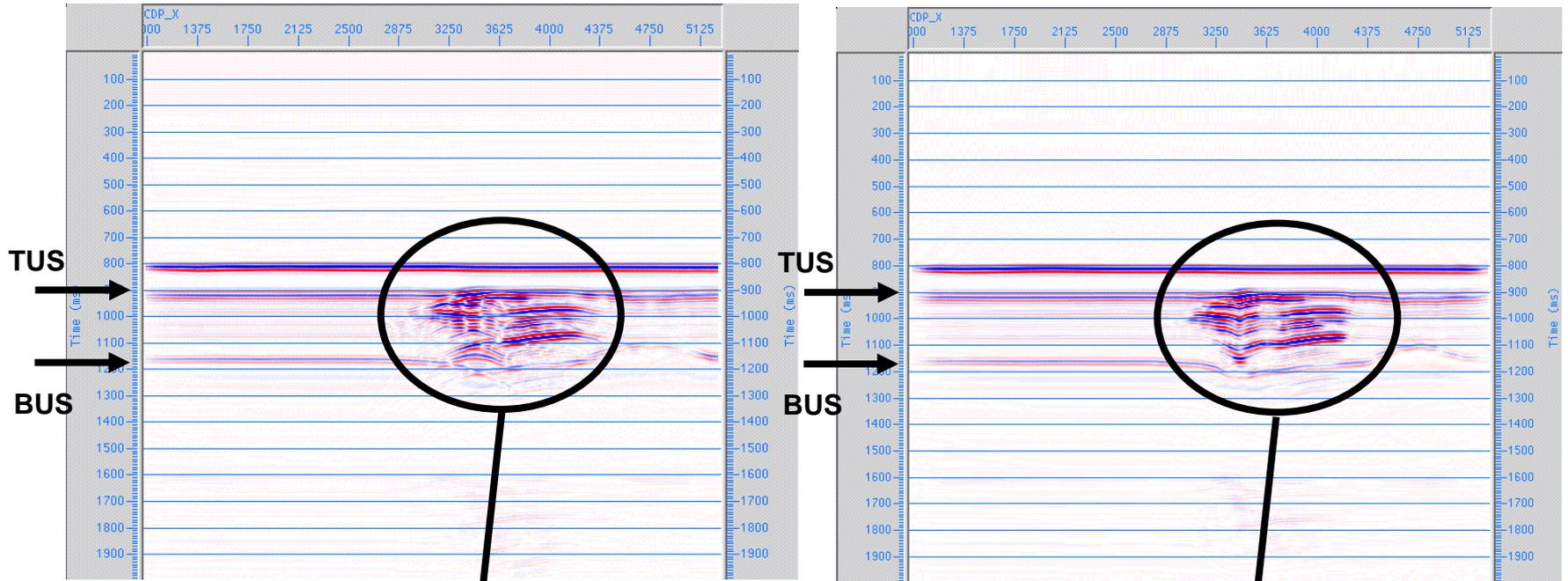
# Shot over the CO<sub>2</sub> plume



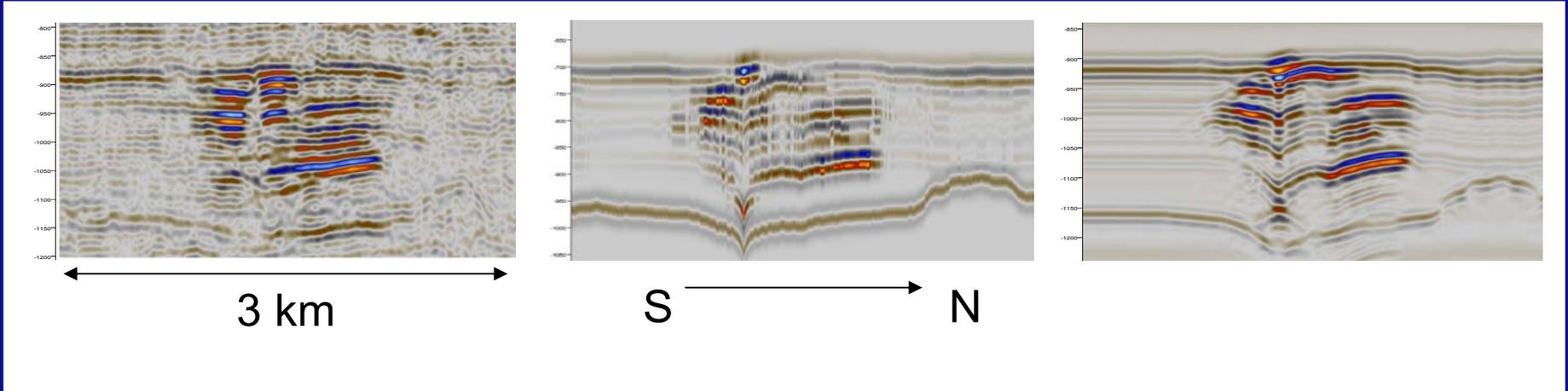
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# Stacked section (left) and migrated section (right)



# Real seismic data (1999) versus processed seismic data



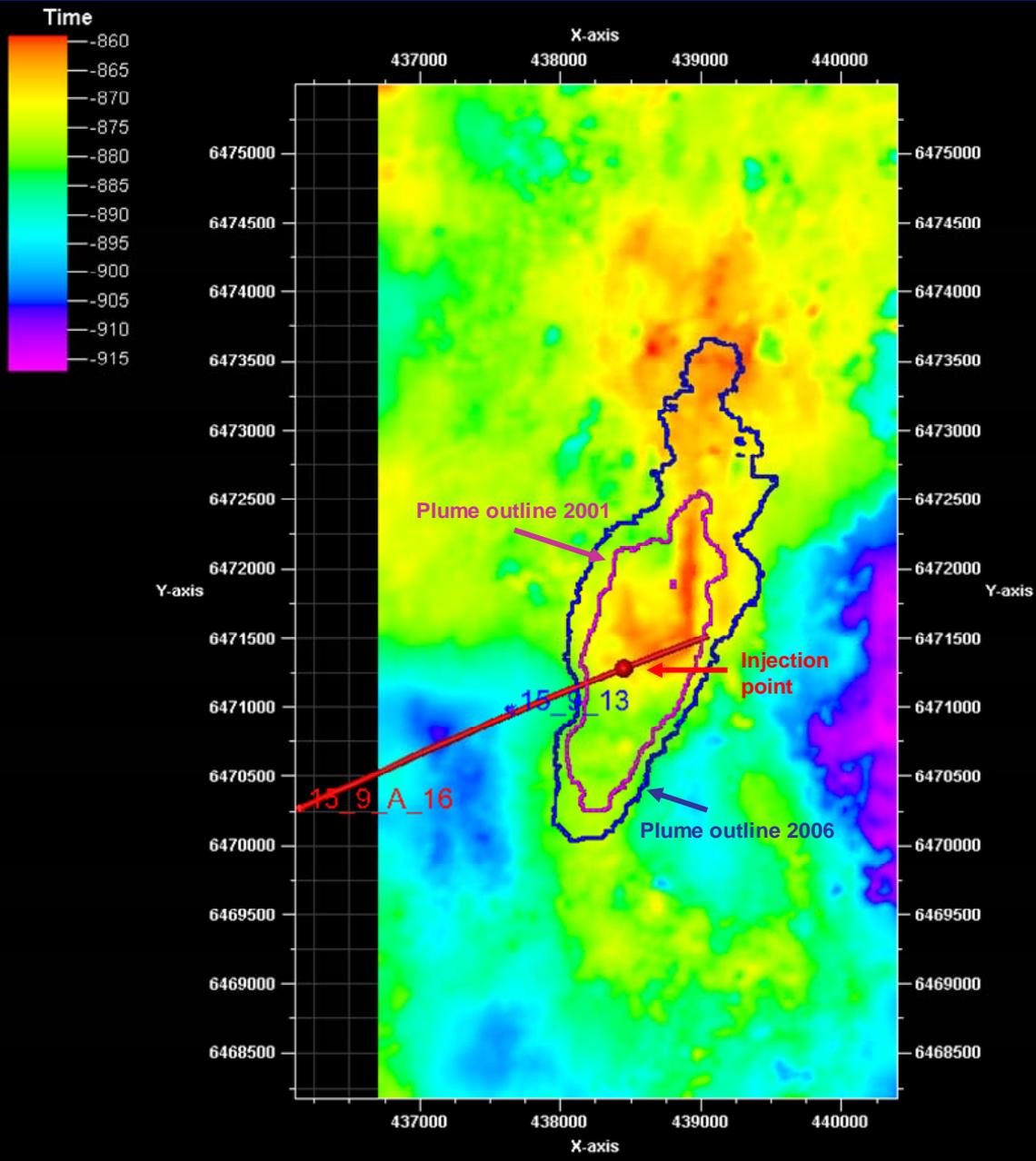
Real data

Synthetic  
convolution data

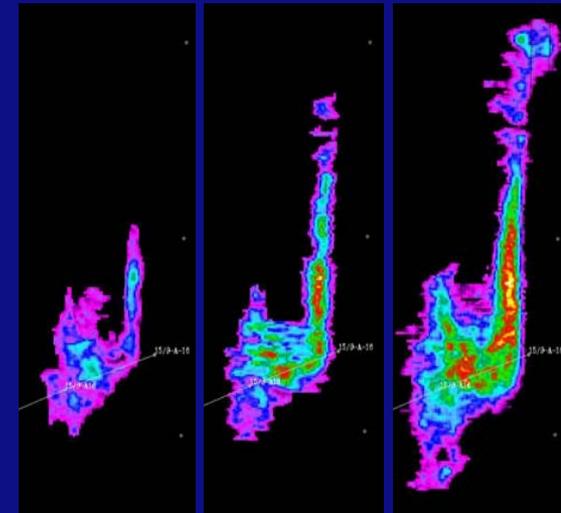
Synthetic Finite  
Difference data  
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## Growth of top layer



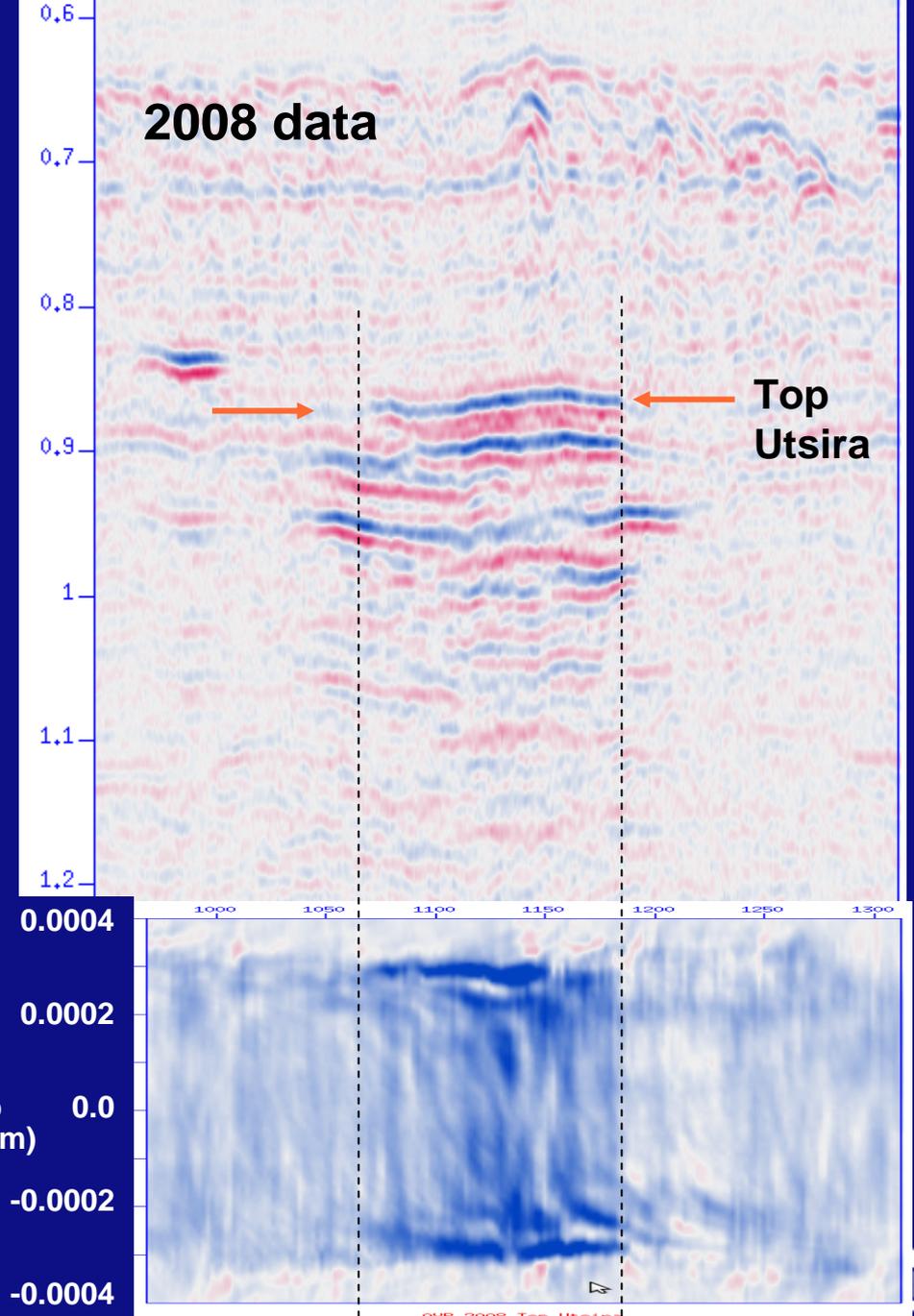
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2004

2006

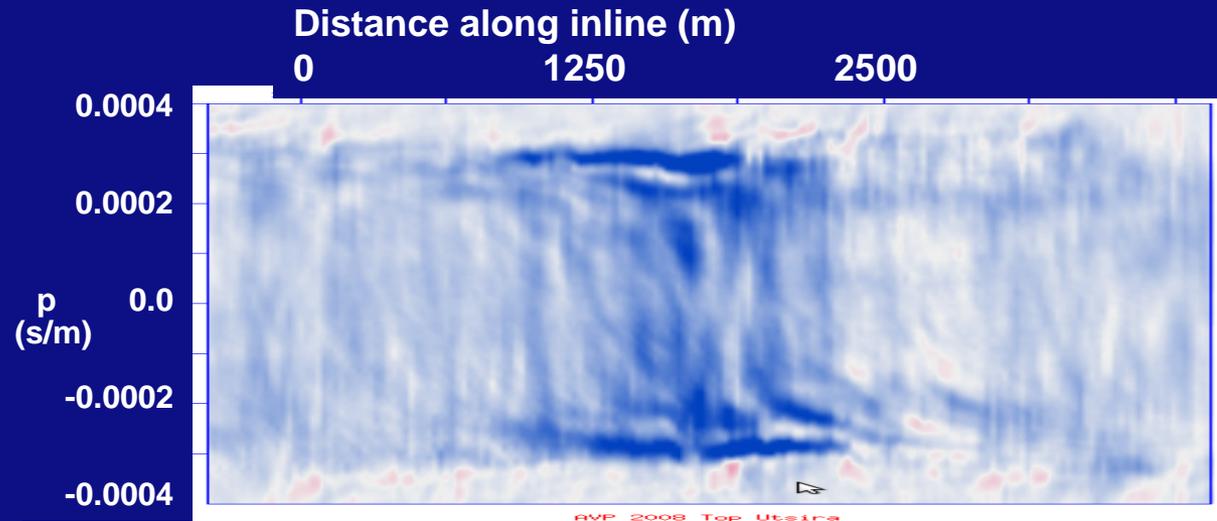
# 2008 data set

- CFP processing on top Utsira Fm
  - Clear reflection in plume, weak reflection elsewhere

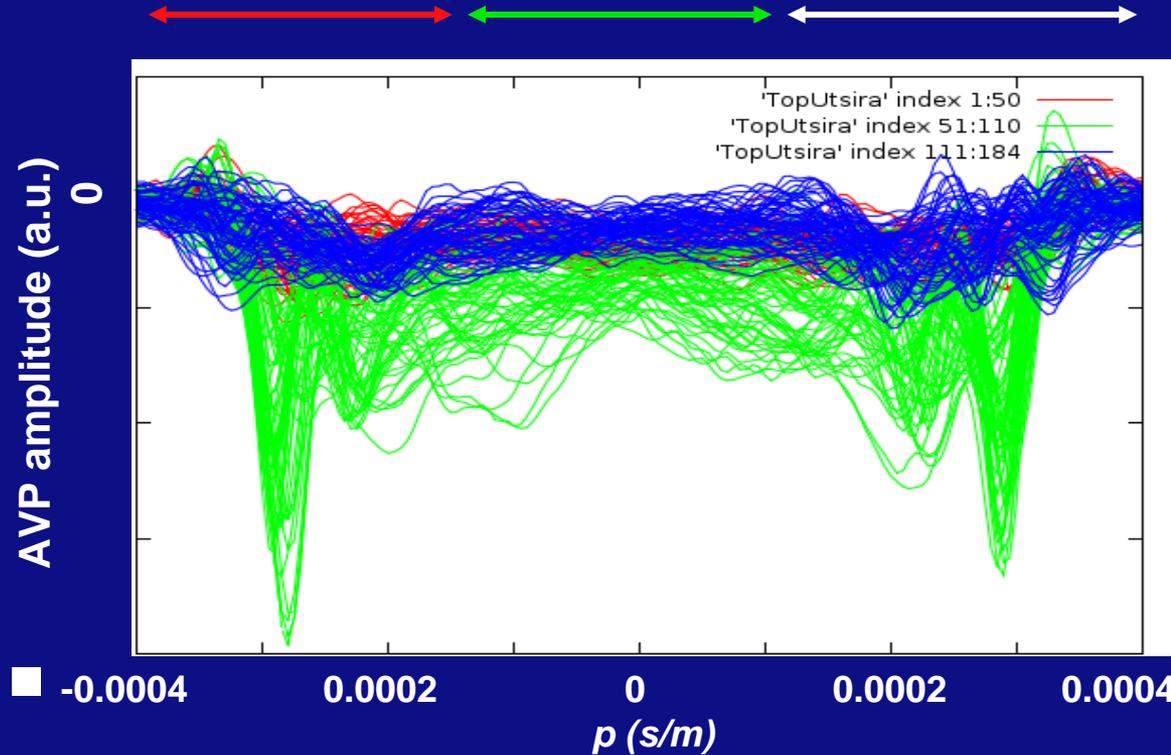


# 2008 data set AVP Top Utsira

- AVP panel

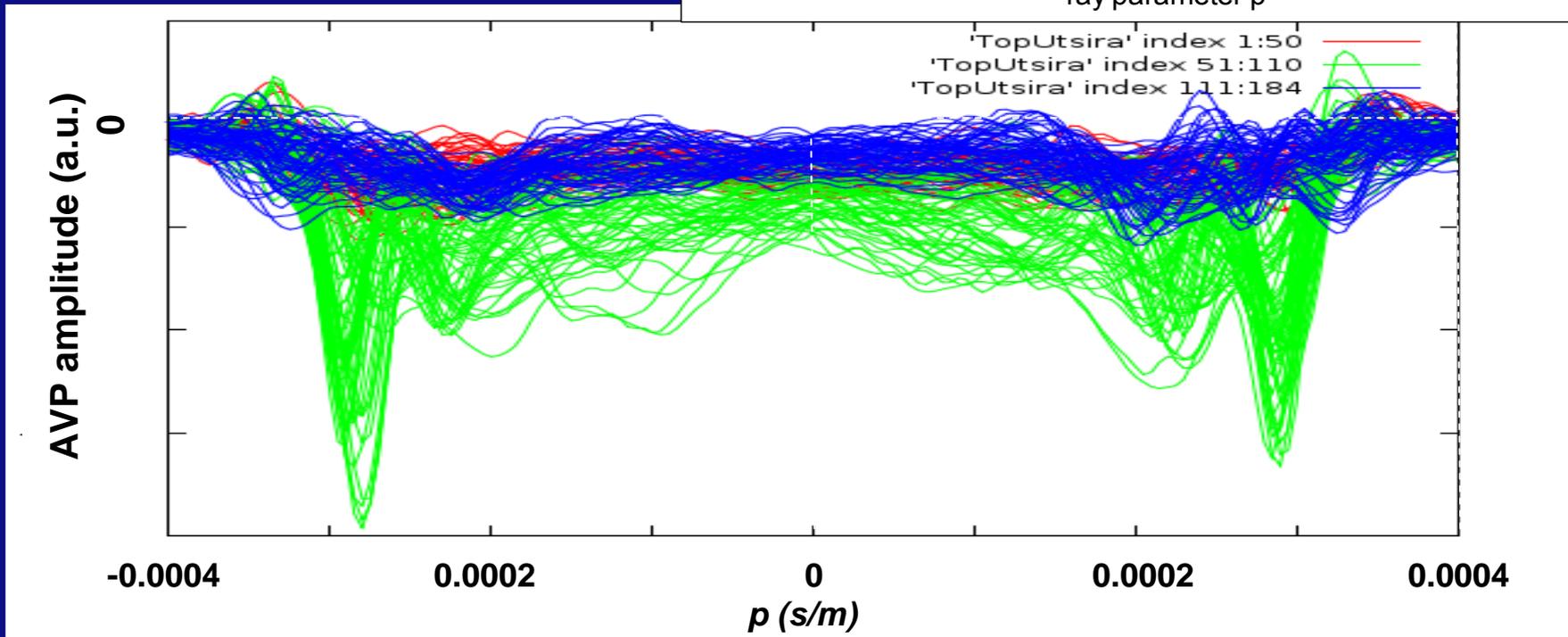
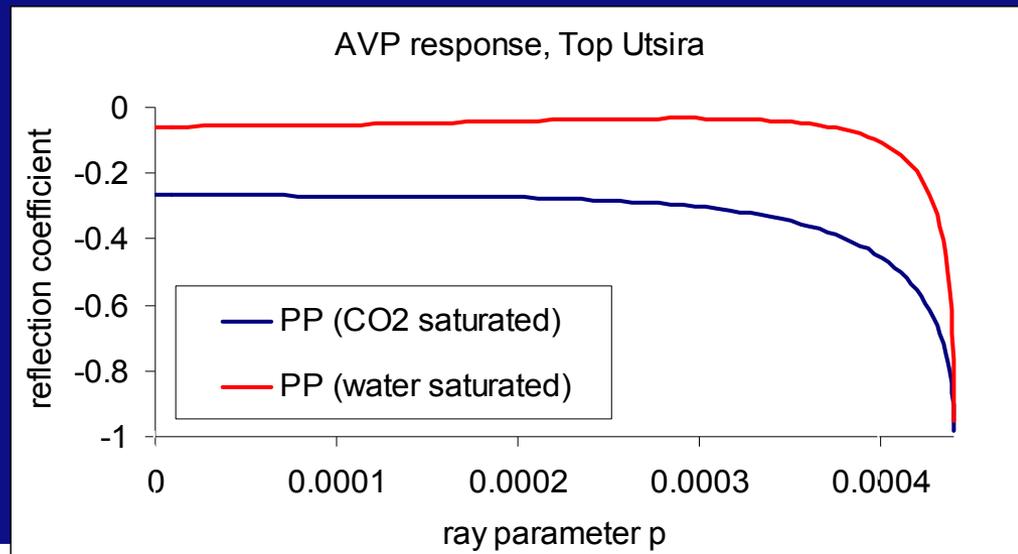


- AVP curves
  - red: 'left' of plume
  - green: 'in' plume
  - blue: 'right' of plume
- Data contain interval  $0 < p < 0.0003$



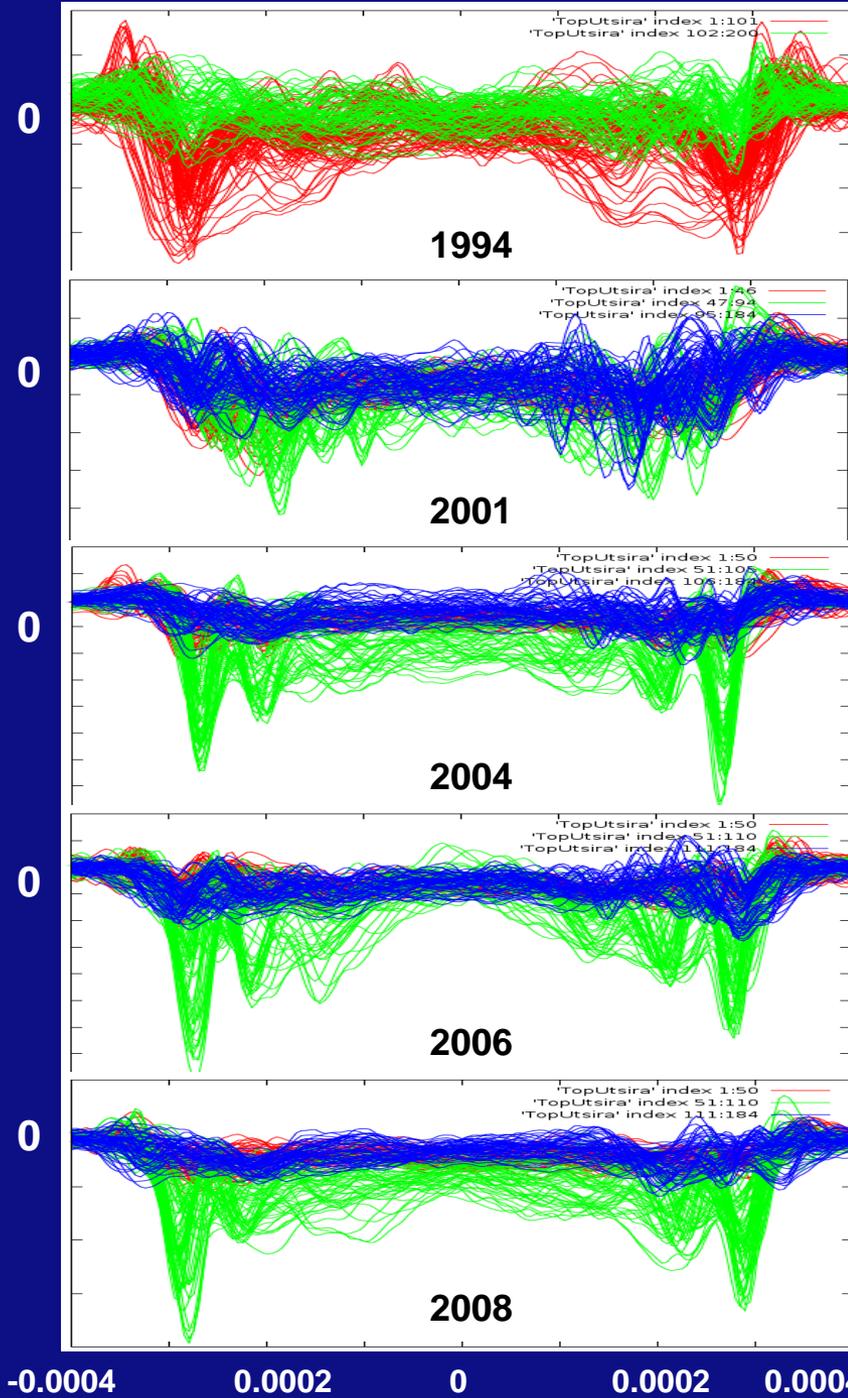
# 2008 data set Synthetic AVP curves

- Plume zone higher amplitude
- Plume zone higher gradient



# AVP curves

- **Red:** 'left' of plume
- **Green:** 'in' plume
- **Blue:** 'right' of plume
  
- Data contain interval (approx.)  
 $4e-5 < p < 0.0003$   
 $7^\circ < \text{incidence angle} < 45^\circ$
  
- Interference from shallower reflections
  - Restricts validity of results to interval  
 $0 < p < 0.0002$  (approx.)
  
- More far offsets in more recent data sets



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Per station 3 gravimeters and 3 pressure gauges put on a fixed concrete benchmark



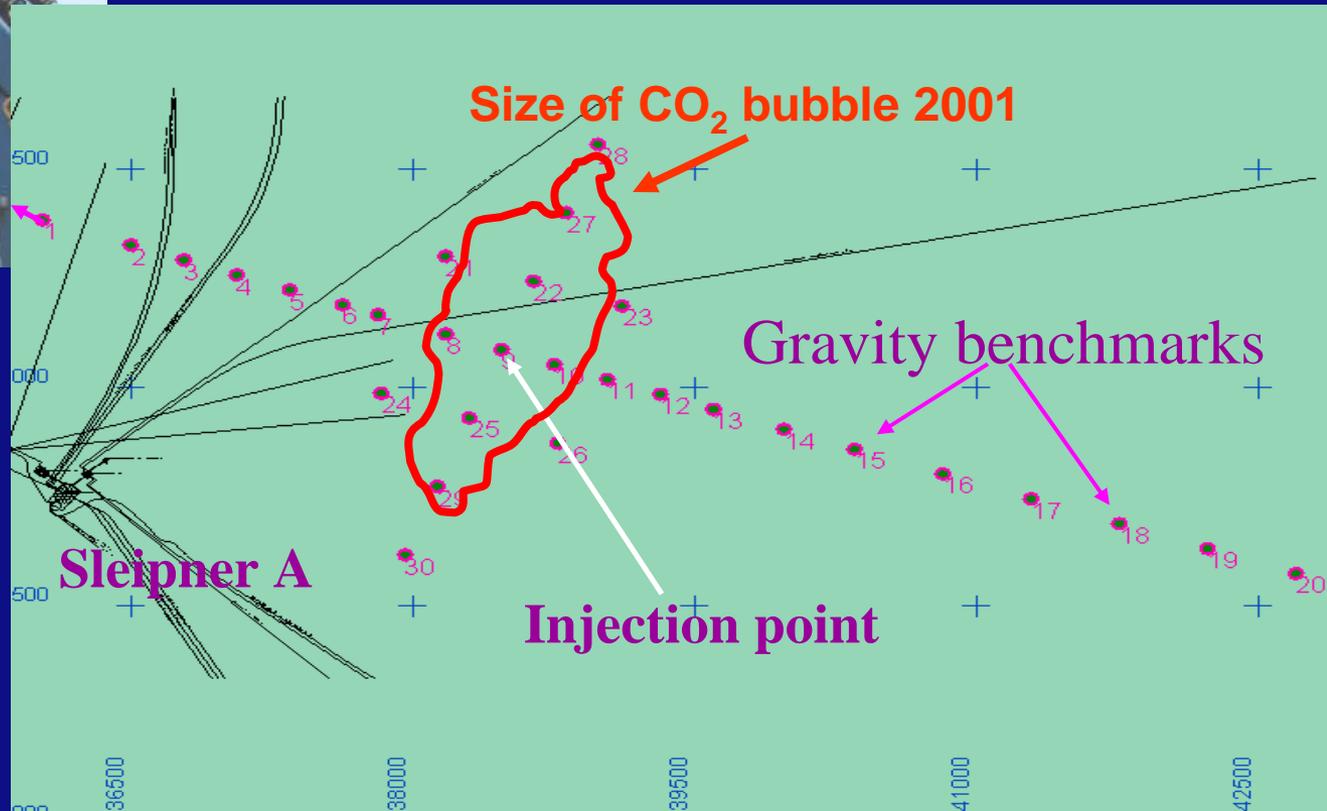
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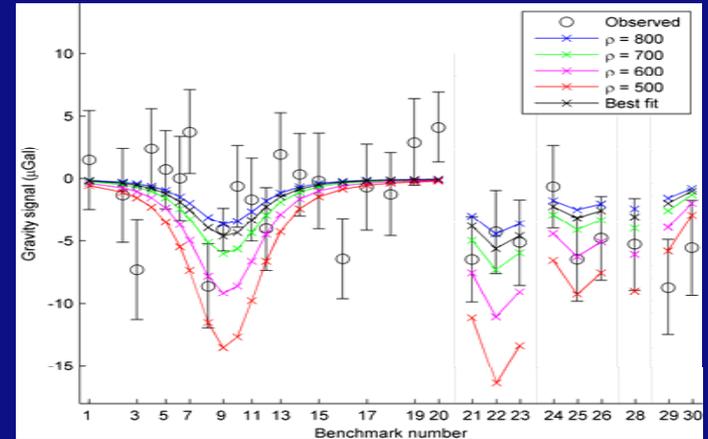
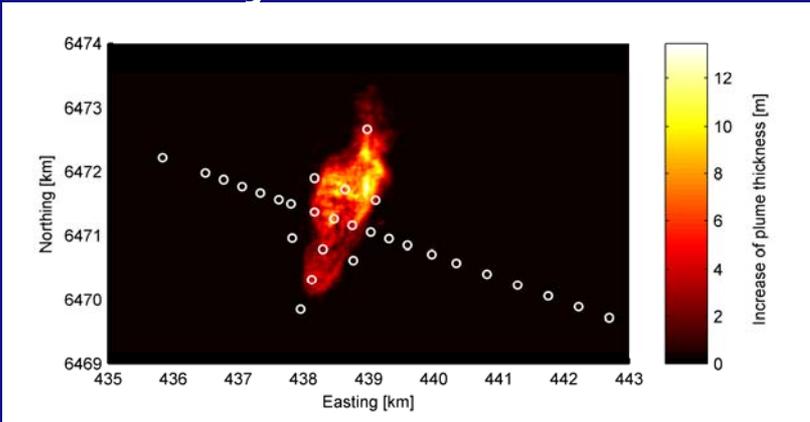


# Location of the benchmark stations visited by the ROV

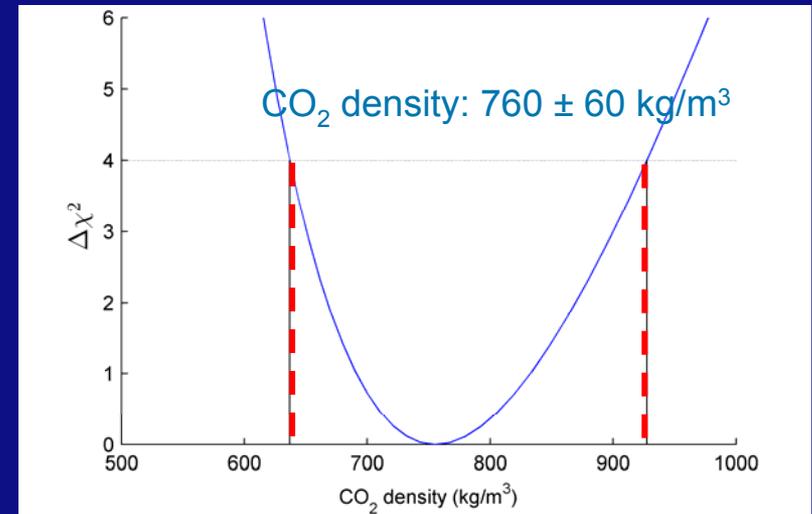
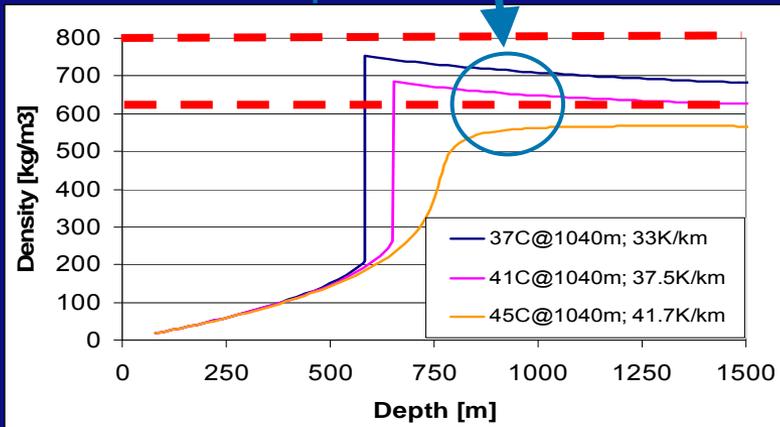




# Gravity inversion results



## Sleipner/Utsira conditions



PVT analysis together with gravimetric result give an upper bound of 770 kg/m<sup>3</sup> and a lower bound of 640 kg/m<sup>3</sup> with 95% confidence.

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# Closing remarks

- No indications for leakage
- Plume development currently in line with expectations at the top reservoir
- Refinement of the characterization of the intra-reservoir behavior still ongoing
- Seismic monitoring and gravity monitoring provide complementary information

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