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Land & Marine Processing and Imaging Quantitative Interpretation Velocity model building Petrophysics Rock Physics Software

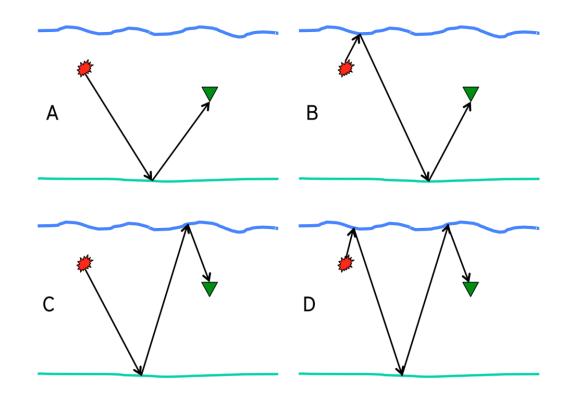
#### DownUnder – where are we?



London Houston Perth KL Jakarta Brisbane Singapore

#### **DUG Broad – Ghostbuster!**





#### Primary and ghost reflections

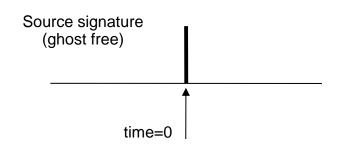
A: Primary

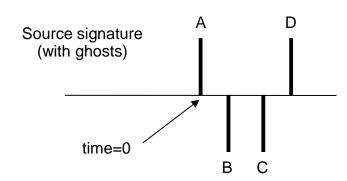
B: Source ghost

C: Receiver ghost

D: Double ghost

Lets assume for a moment we live a wonderful place where beer is free and the source signature is a perfect spike.

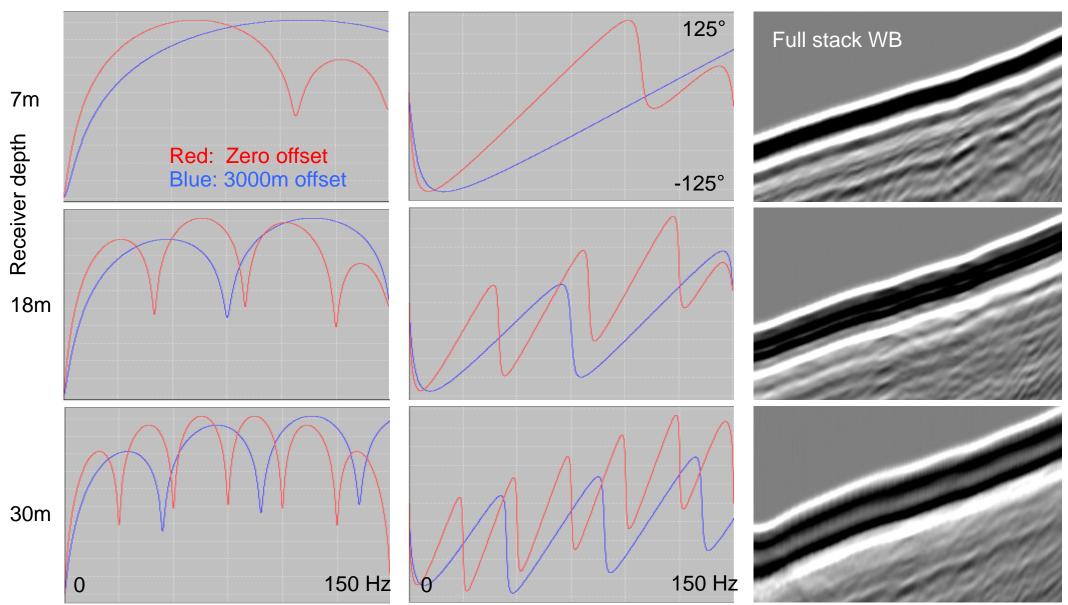






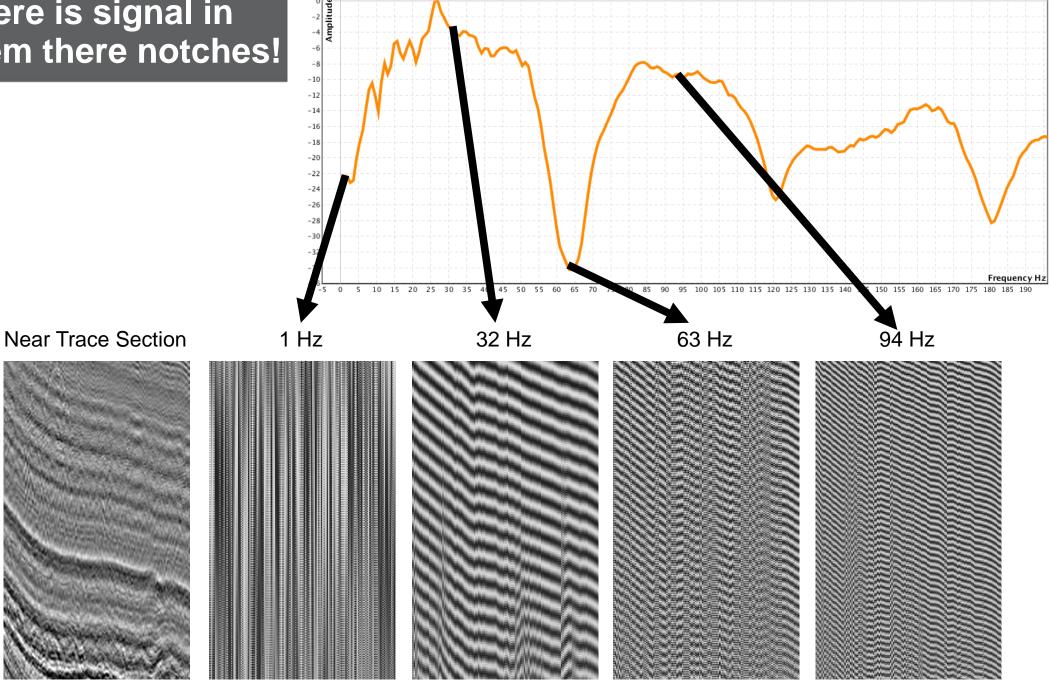
#### Spectra and water bottom reflections (source depth=5m)







# There is signal in them there notches!



Frequency Spectra

#### **Overview**

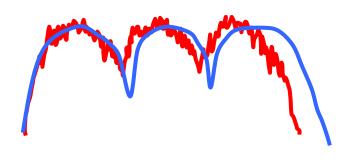


- Our modeling uses 5 parameters
- Notch position is very sensitive to these parameters
- Our acquisition contains uncertainties which are significant to the notch positions
- Our 5 model parameters vary within and between our shot records
- Notches contain useful data
- We need to know the notch position in order to address them



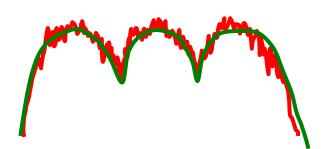
# The DUG Broad algorithm - 1





Calculate the spectrum in "localised" design space.

Make initial model based on best info

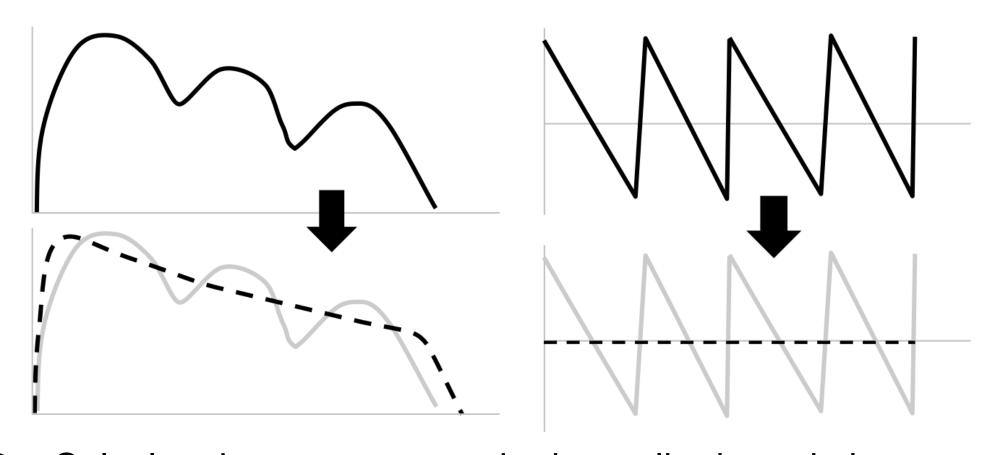


Optimise the model parameters by notch search

- Fit a Gaussian to all model parameters
- Only allow them to vary as they would physically

#### The DUG Broad algorithm - 2

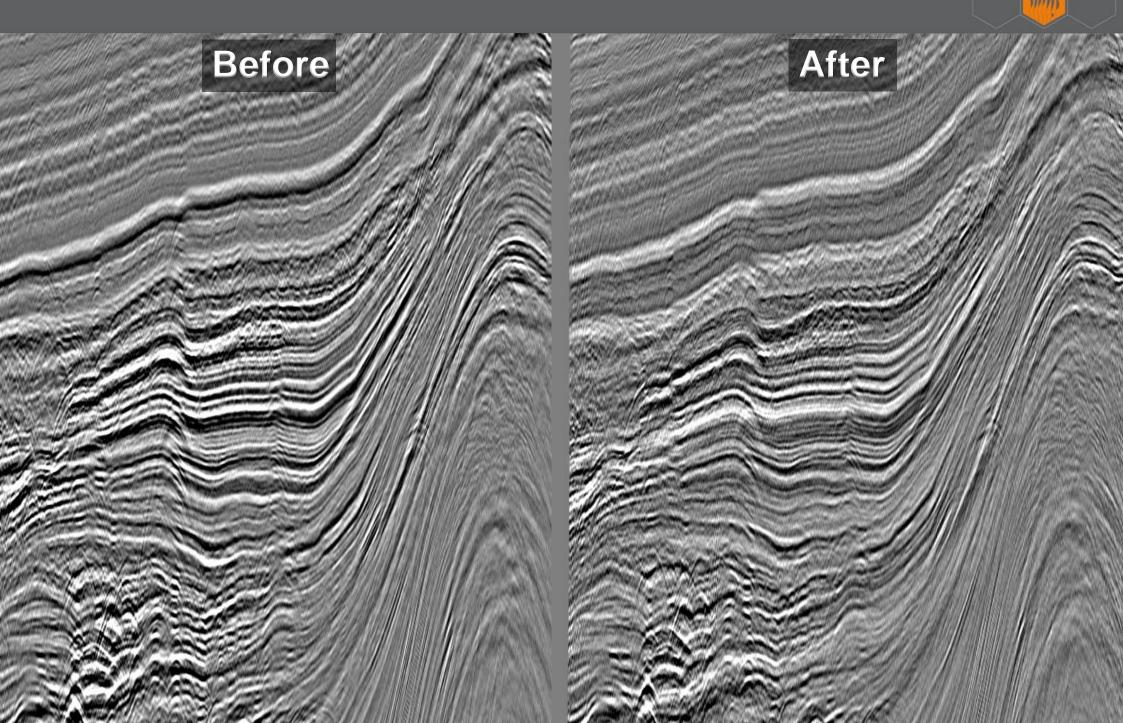




- D Calculate inverse operator both amplitude and phase
- E Apply as appropriate fix phase even in low SNR regions

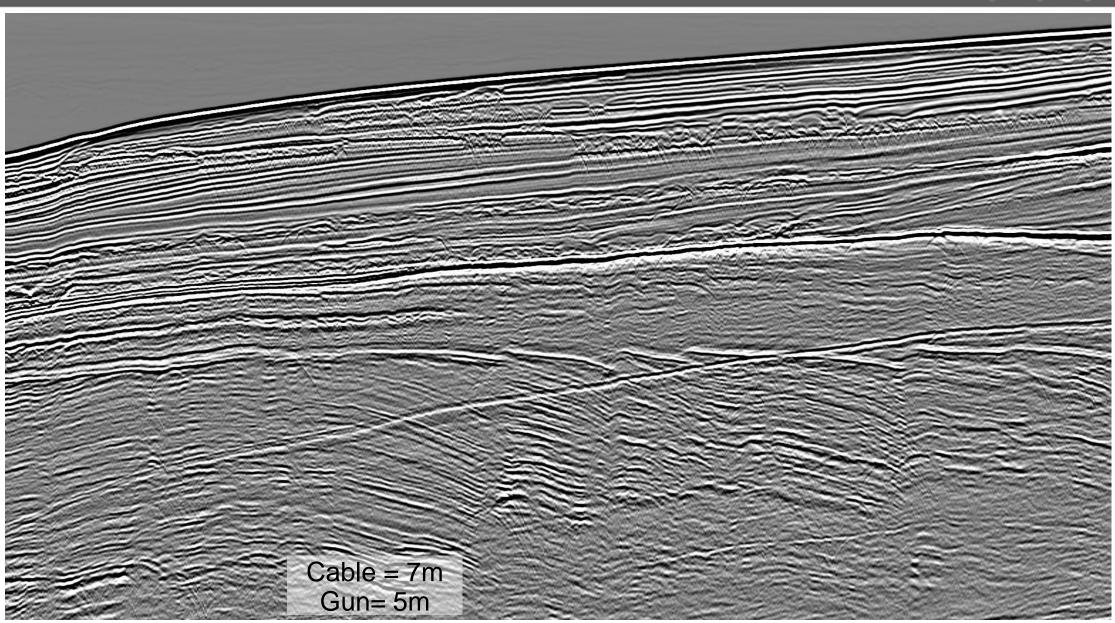


# Gun at 5m -- Cable at 18m



#### ConVG – Raw full stack

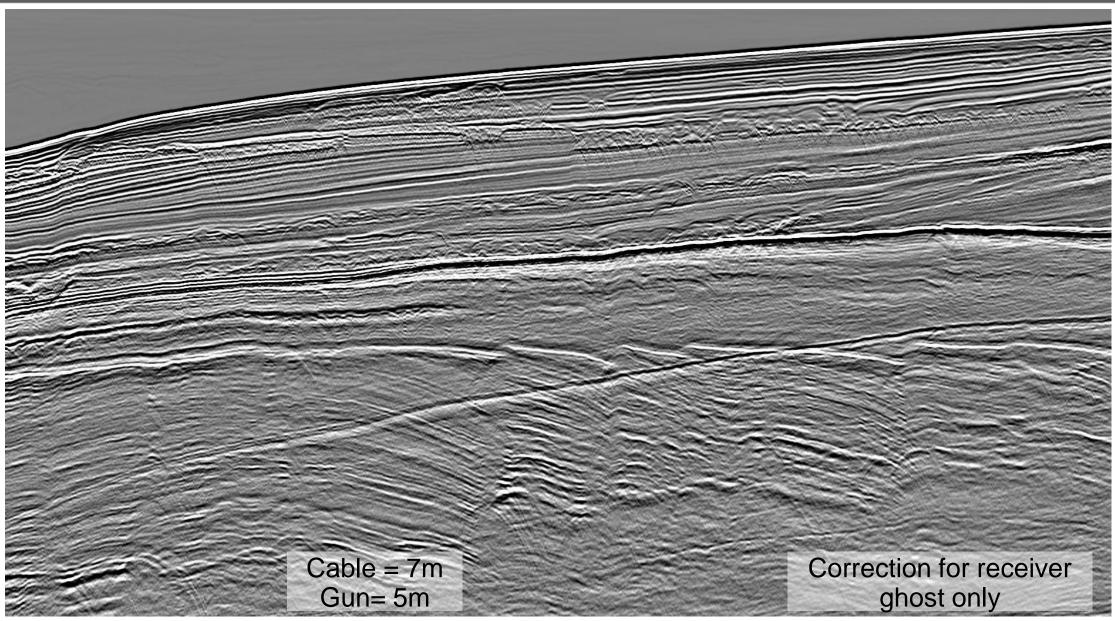






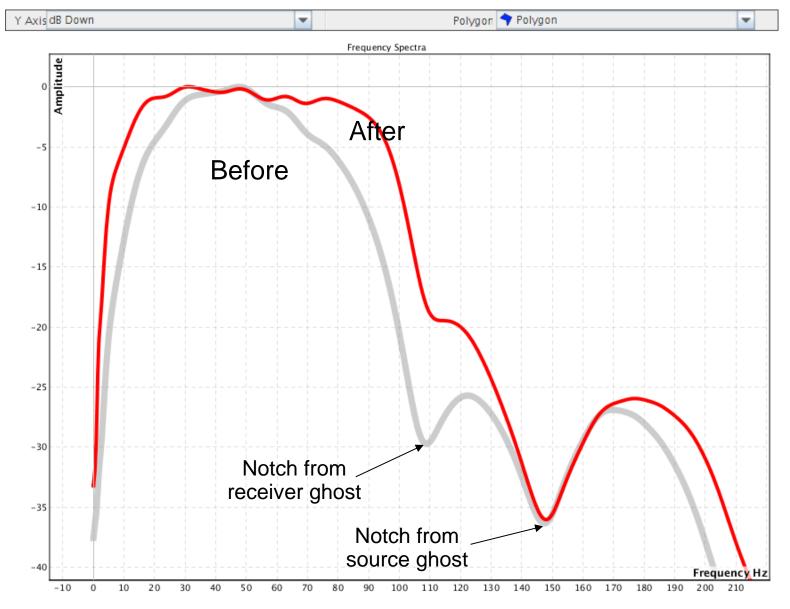
#### ConVG – Post DUG Broad full stack





#### Spectra 1 – receiver only correction





The shallow gun and cable depths mean the notches are outside the dominant seismic bandwidth. This spectra shows the before and after results correcting only the receiver ghost.

Cable = 7m Gun= 5m





#### **Kirchhoff PreSDM**

- True relative amplitudes
- Turning rays
- Anisotropic
  - . VTI
  - . TTI
  - Tilted Orthorhombic

# Beam Mig

#### **RTM**

- Anisotropic
  - . VTI
  - . TTI
  - Angle Gathers





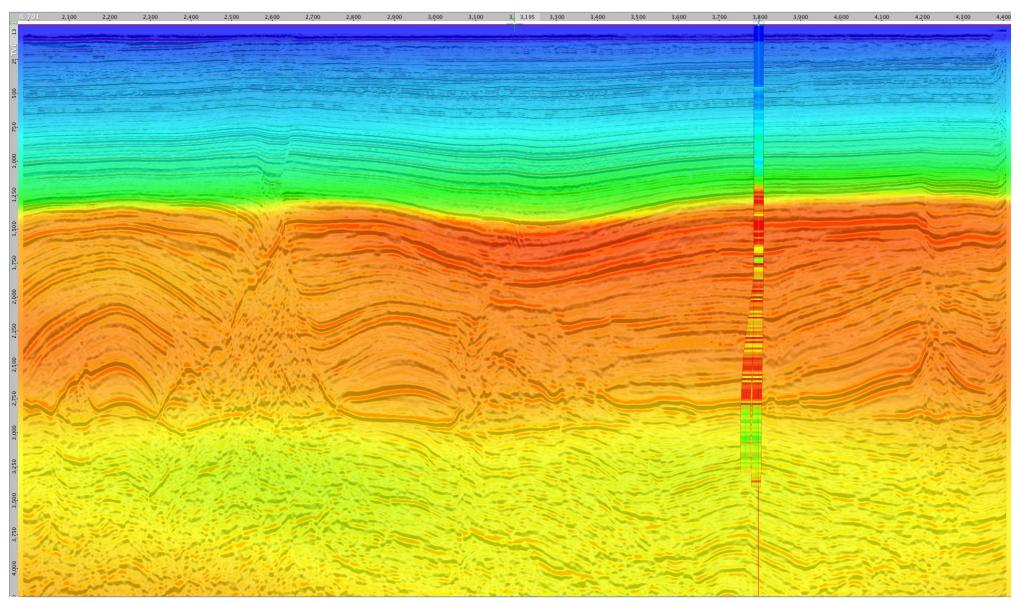
#### **DUG HRTomo - Reflection Tomography**



- Multi-azimuth, input picks along any azimuth
- Anisotropy updates
- Horizon and grid consistent
- Stratigraphy based smoothing
- Complete control over what part of the velocity model is updated, independent of input picks.
   For example full volume picks can be used to update the shallow layer only
- Refraction & reflection simultaneously
- Weighted & confidence value RMO picks
- Reweighting of RMO picks during the tomography run in order to miminise the influence of outliers
- Clusterised allowing virtually unlimited model size, largest model to date = 15000 sqkm
- RMO picks may be horizon or volume based or combination
- RMO events can be any shape, no parabolic assumption

# Initial model & mig





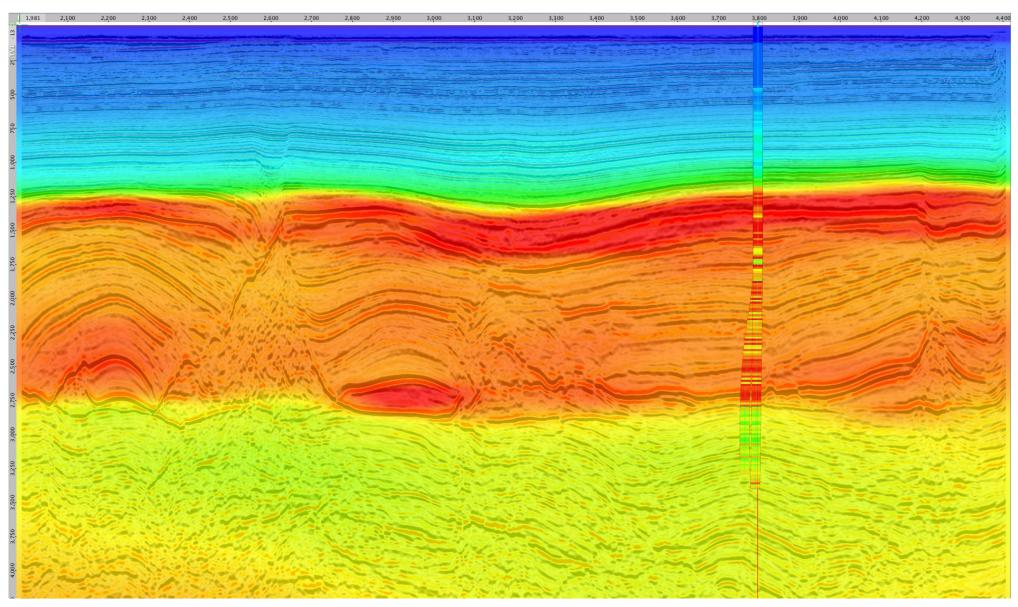






# Iteration 1, anisotropic tomo & mig





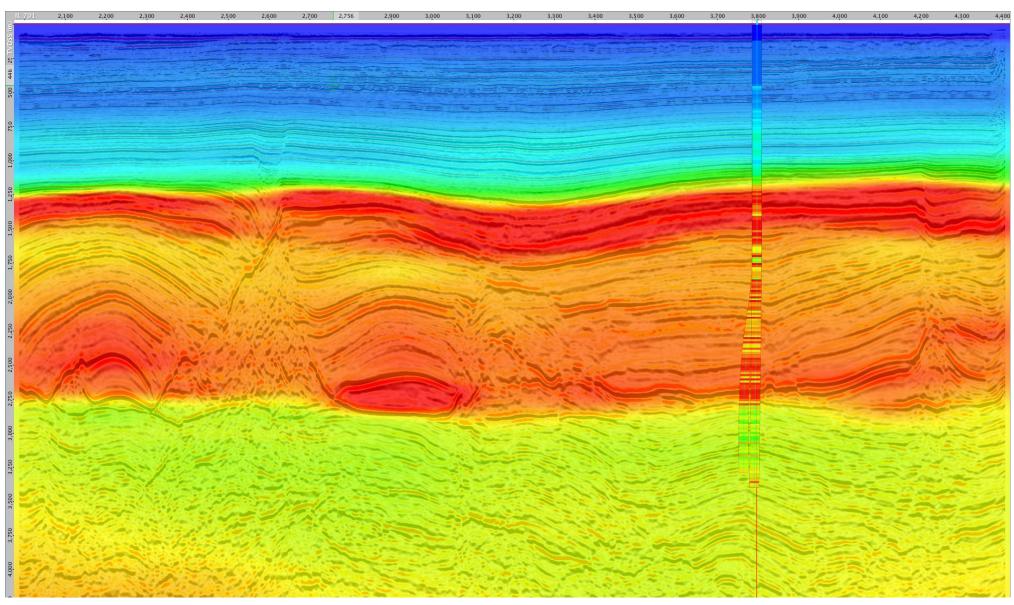






# Iteration 2, anisotropic tomo & mig





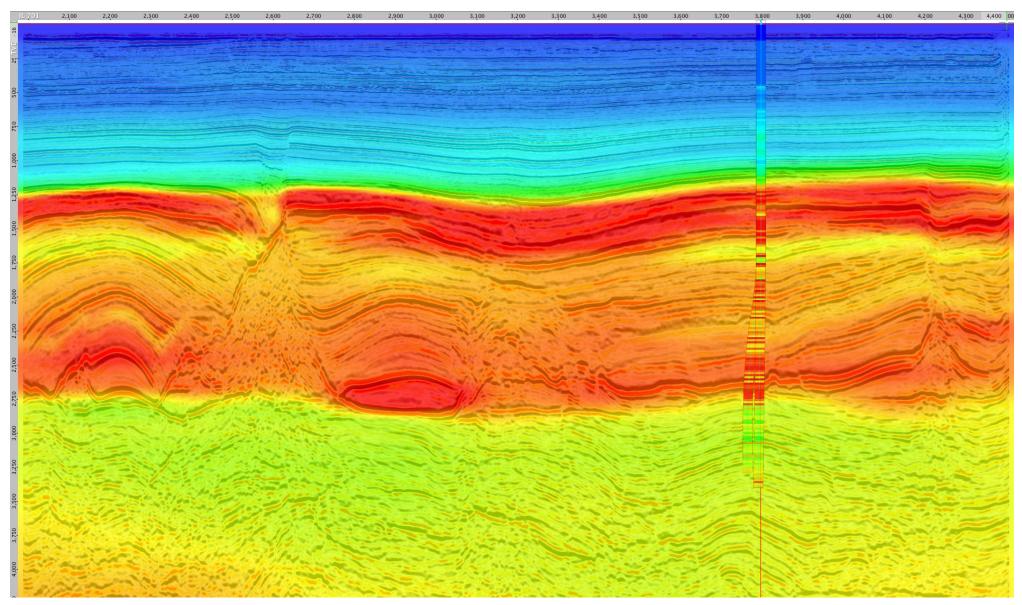






# Iteration 3, anisotropic tomo & mig





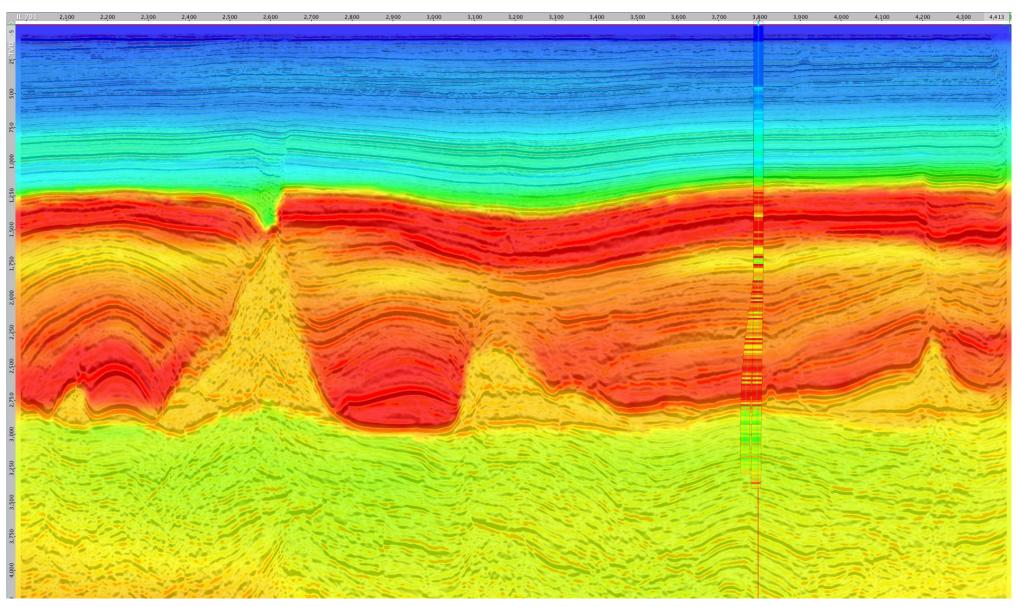






# Iteration 4, anisotropic tomo & mig





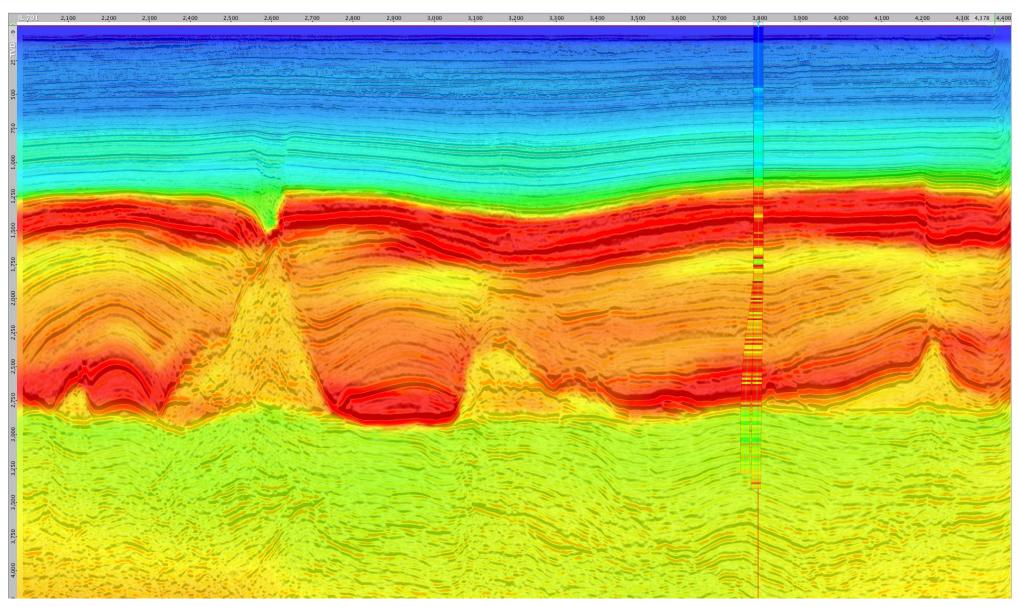






# Iteration 5, anisotropic tomo & mig





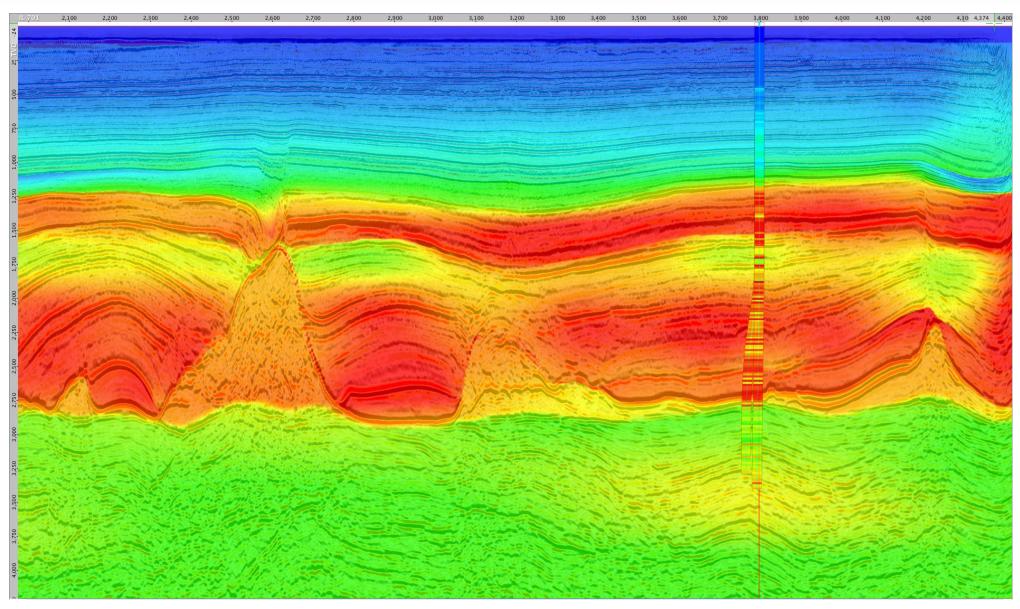






#### **Previous PreSDM**

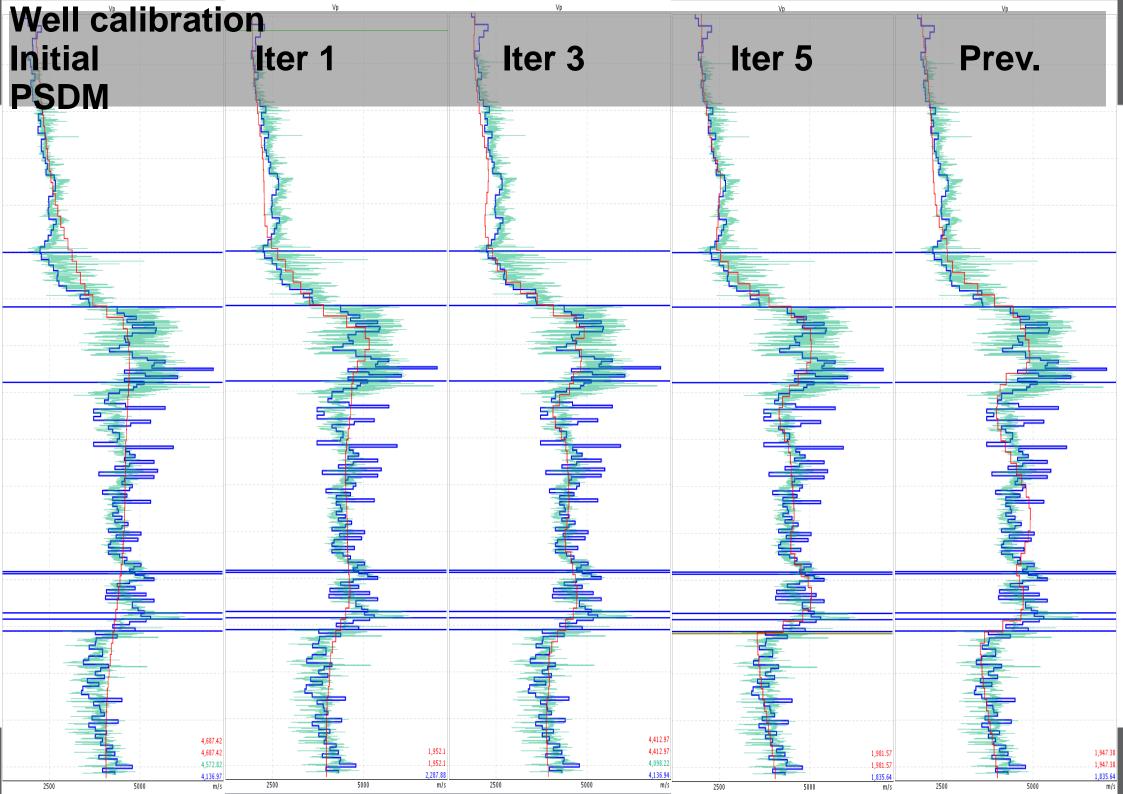








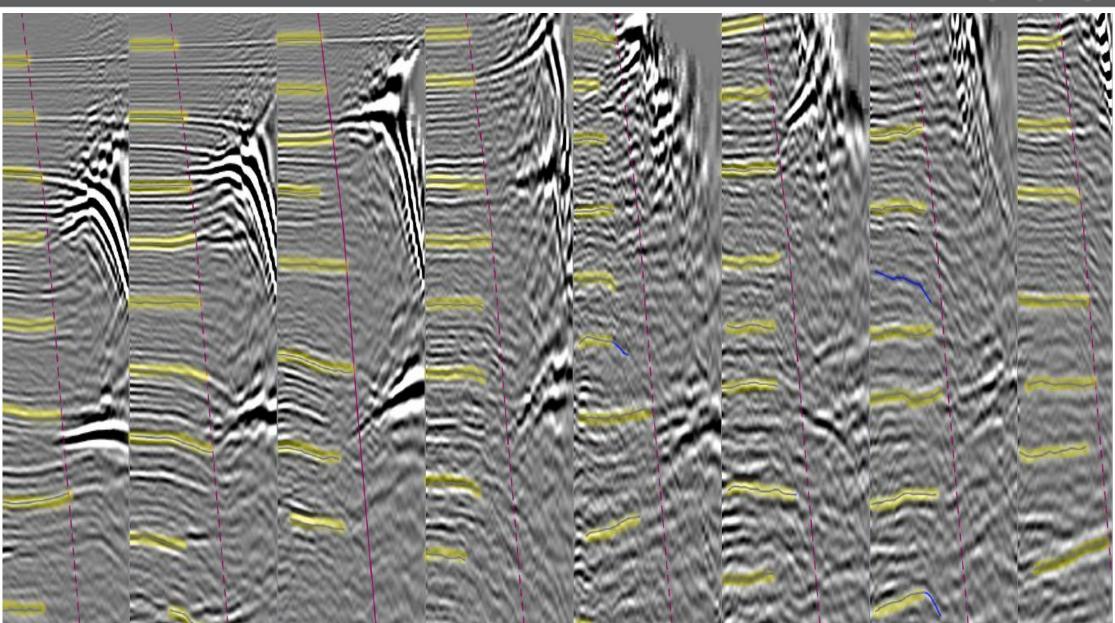






# Non parabolic picking in DUG Insight

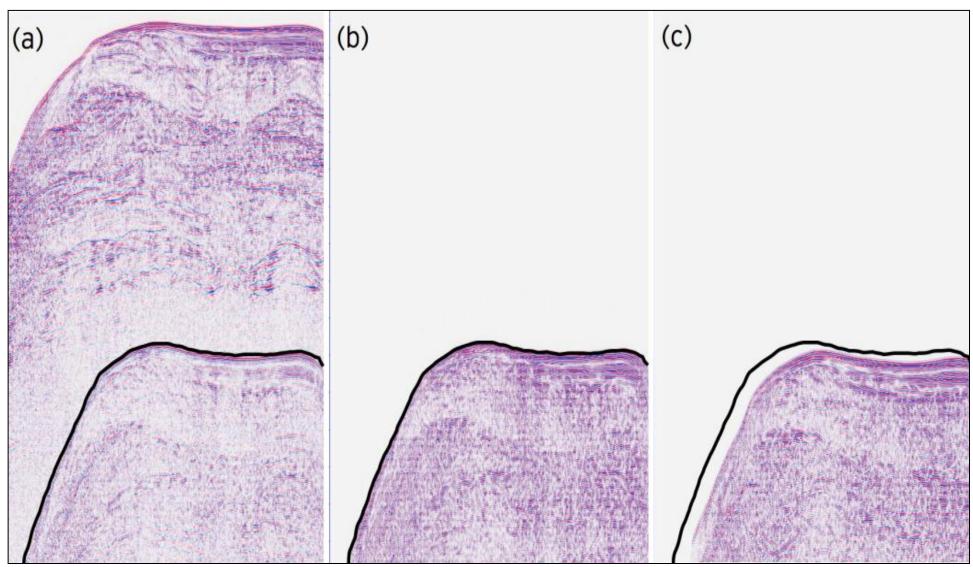






#### **DUG 3D SRME over conventional 2D SRME**

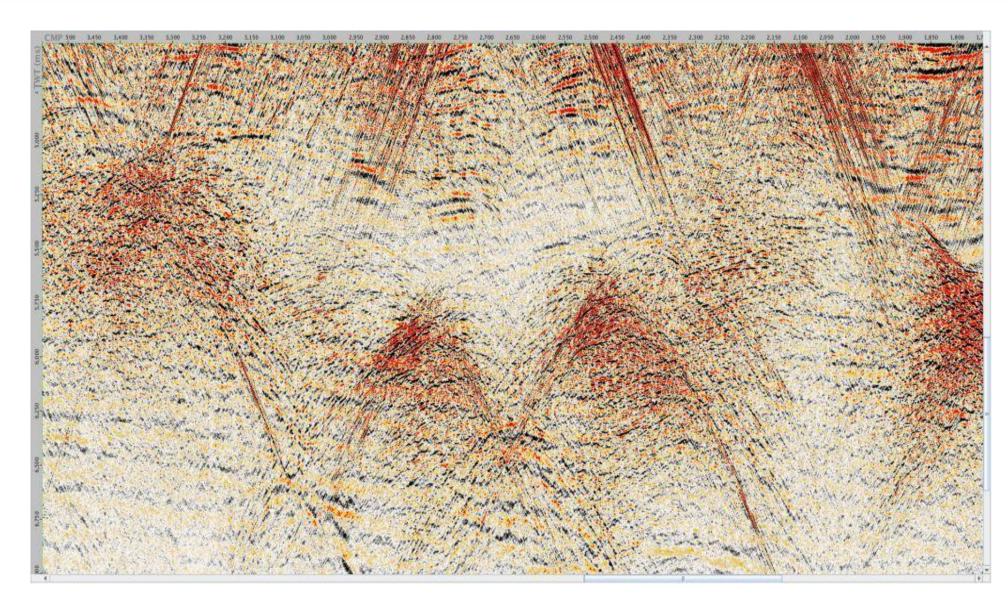




(a) Multiple picked on offset plane (b) 3D multiple prediction (c) 2D multiple prediction

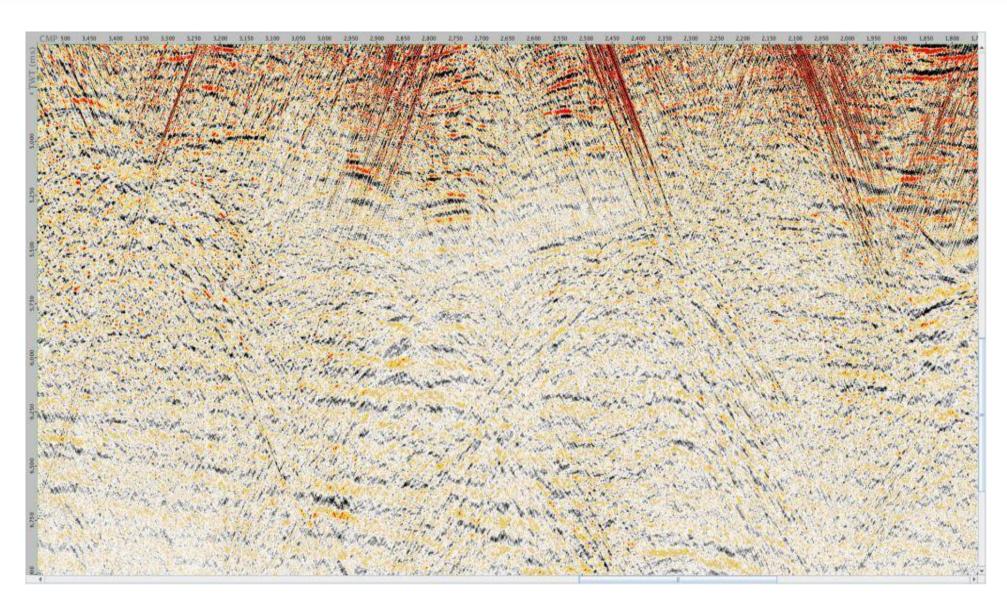
#### **Diffracted Noise Attenuation – Stack before**





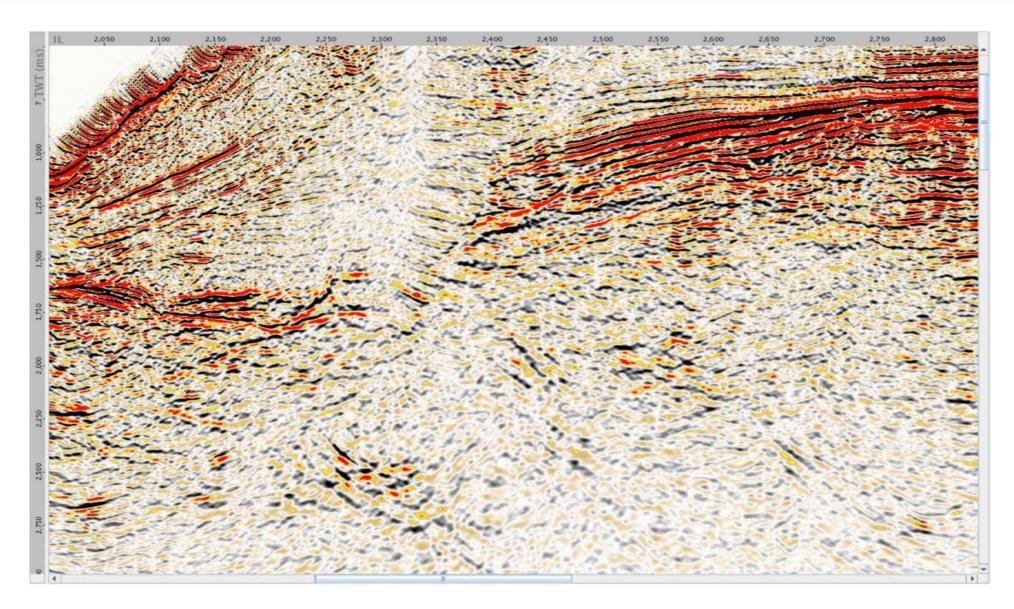
#### Stack after





# "Major Contractor" processing 2011 result

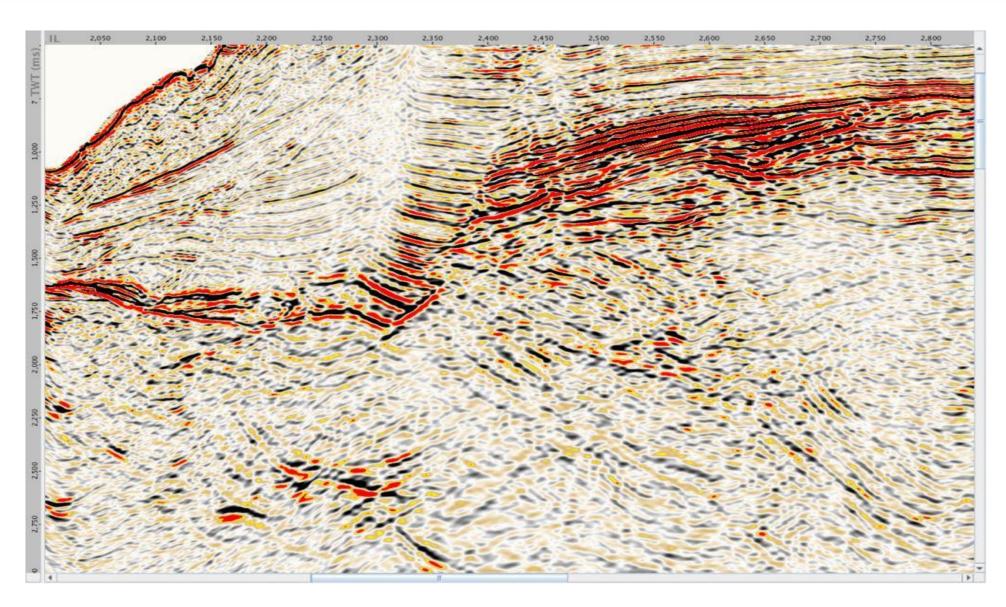






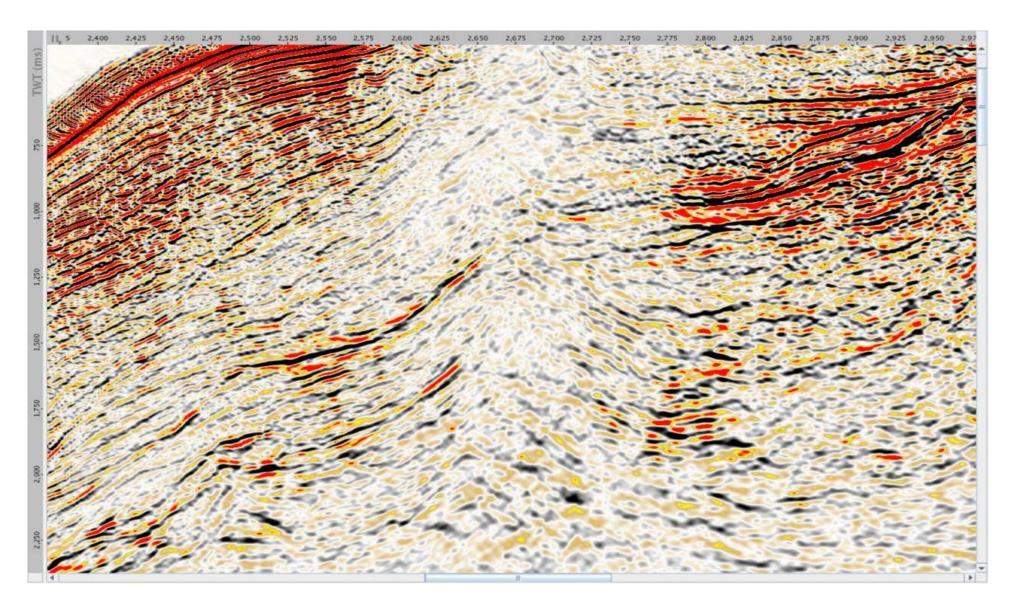
# **Dugeo 2011/12 reprocessing**





# "Major contractor" processing 2011 results

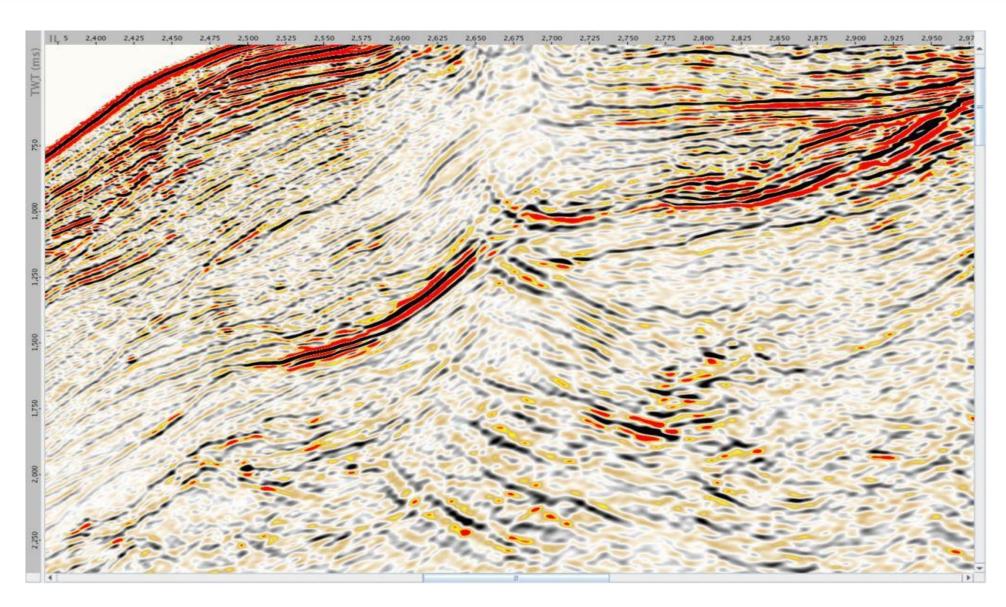






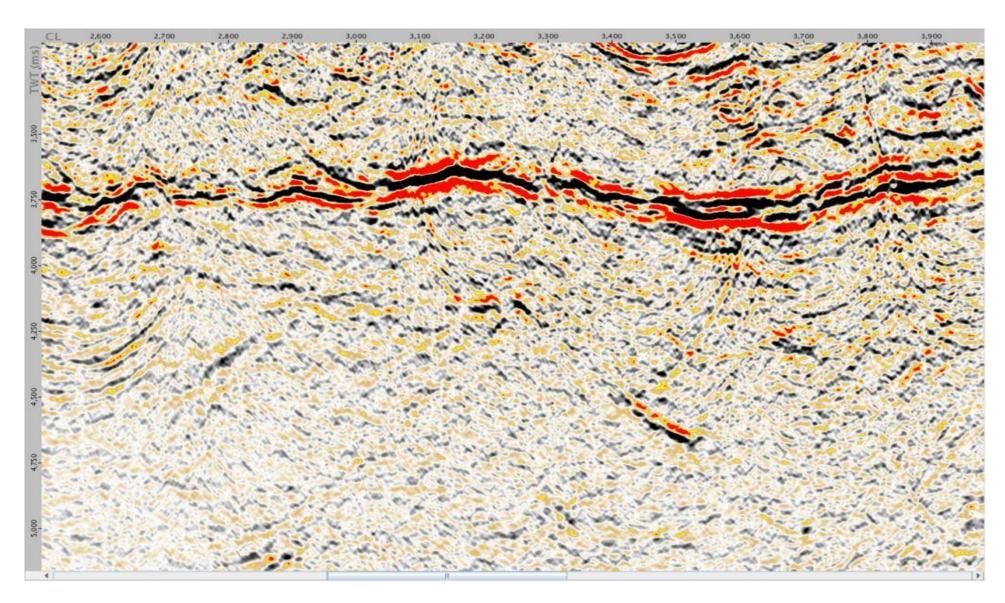
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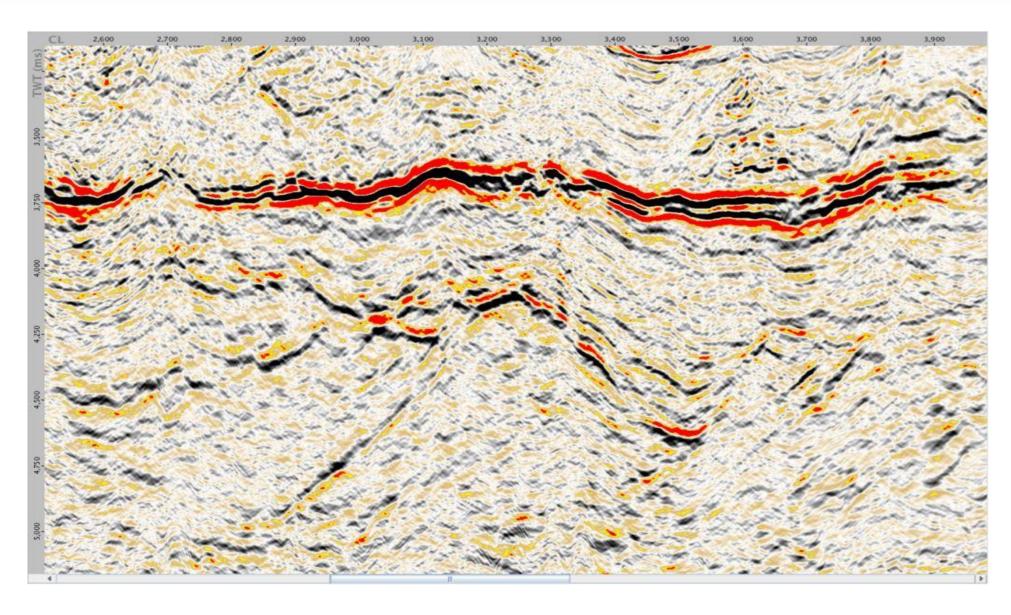
# "Major contractor" processing 2011 results





# **Dugeo 2011/12 reprocessing**





#### **Quantitative Interpretation**



- Predicting rocks and fluids using quantitative analysis of seismic amplitudes
- Identify leads and help risking of prospects
- Quantitatively integrate information from multiple disciplines
- For business impact it must be distilled in a form that can be digested by the decision makers
- Independent sources of information have value on their own, but add non linearly –
   the whole is more valuable than the sum of its parts



# Increasing well control More quantitative

#### High level road map



- 1.) Reconnaissance No well control within the seismic
  - A) No regional wells exist
    - AVA attributes and AVA stack rotations (EEI equivalent)
  - B) Relevant regional wells exist
    - Statistical rock physics
    - AVA attributes and calibrated stack rotations
- 2.) Exploration and appraisal Well control within the seismic volume
  - Statistical rock physics
  - A) Limited well control
    - Relative simultaneous (AVA) inversion and impedance rotations
    - Map based probabilistic lithology and fluid prediction
  - B) Well control
    - Absolute simultaneous (AVA) inversion
    - Volume based probabilistic lithology and fluid prediction
- 3.) Focussed reservoir characterisation Well control within the field
  - Understand the uncertainties in key reservoir parameters
    - Statistical rock physics
    - Stochastic inversion
    - Reservoir focussed probabilistic lithology and fluid prediction

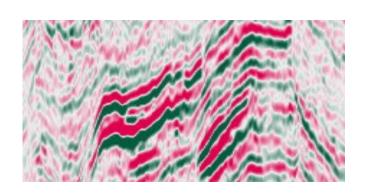
- AVA attibute

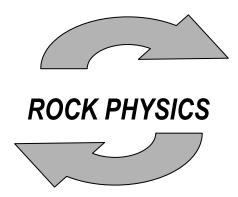
ANAinversion



#### **Before Inversion** → **Rock Physics**







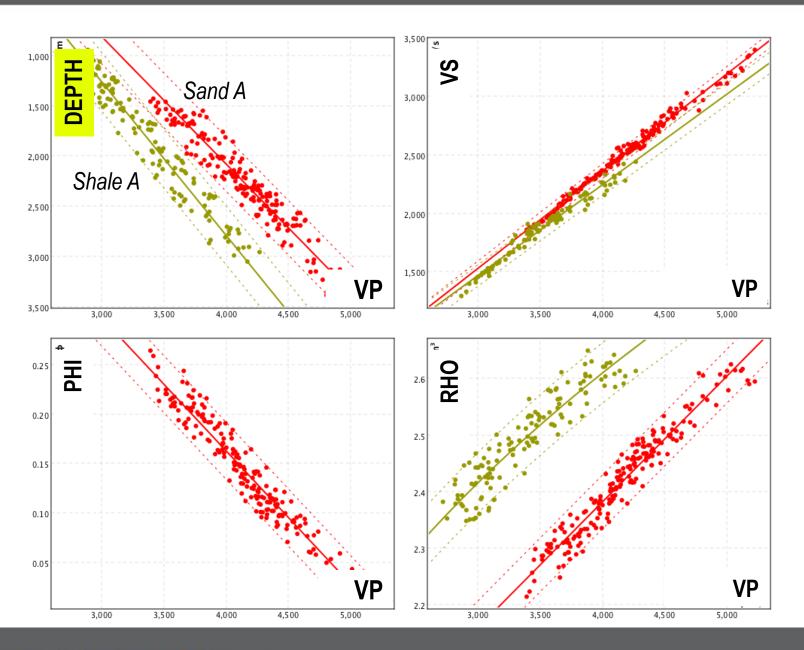


- The link between seismic (or seismic derivatives) and rock properties.
- Quantify the geophysical signatures of "all" rock and fluid properties.
- Allows us to play the "what if?" game and to extrapolate.
- Statistical rock physics capture uncertainty, population behaviour, possible variations.
- Interpretation model for seismic / derivatives / seismic reservoir characterisation
  - Attributes
  - Impedance



## **Statistical Rock Physics Model**





# Depth dependent end-member trends

Interpretation

Captures inherent scatter

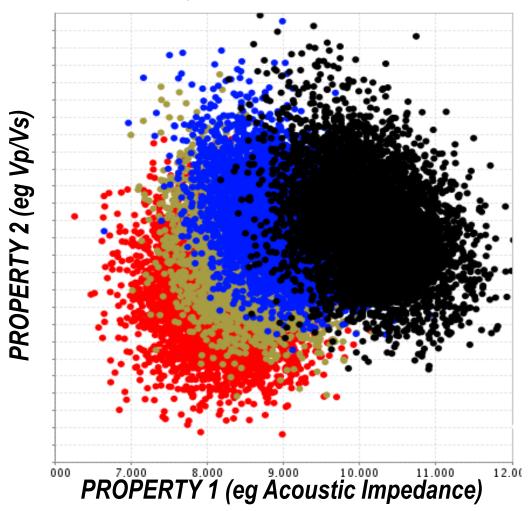
Elastic properties of all rocks

Normally distributed at any given point

#### **Stochastic Forward Modelling**

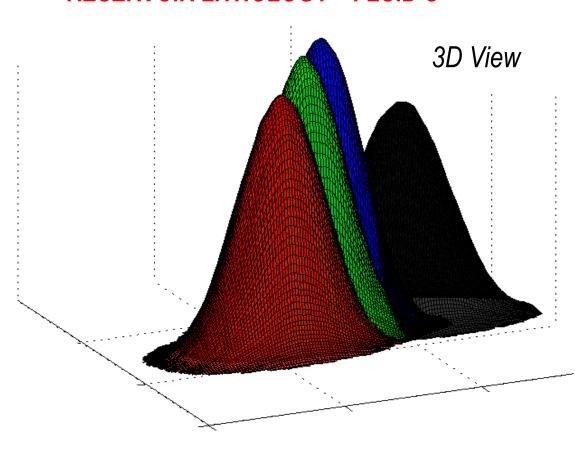






#### **NON RESERVOIR LITHOLOGY**

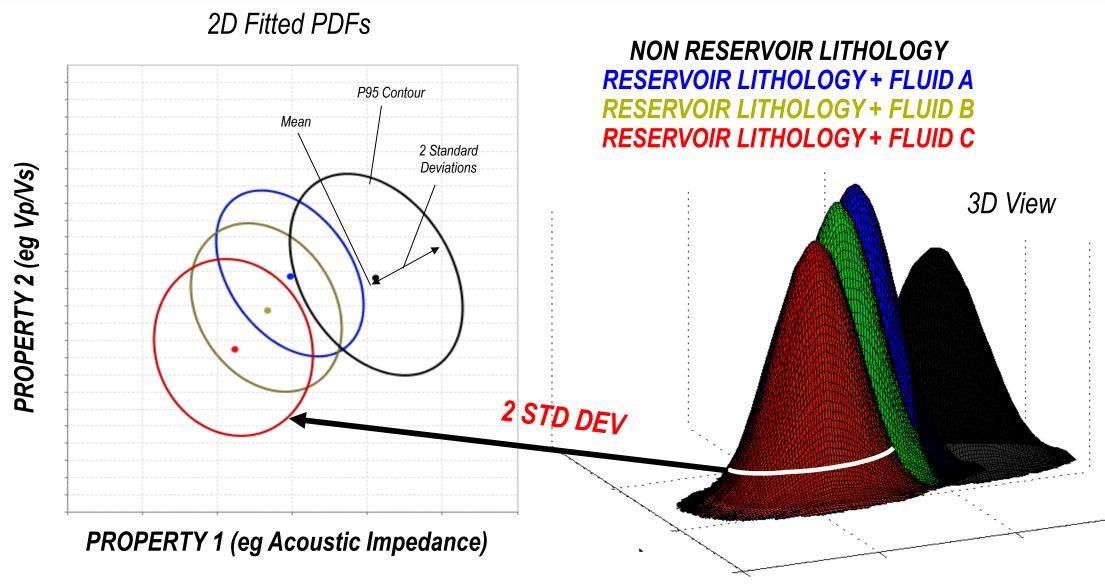
RESERVOIR LITHOLOGY + FLUID A RESERVOIR LITHOLOGY + FLUID B RESERVOIR LITHOLOGY + FLUID C





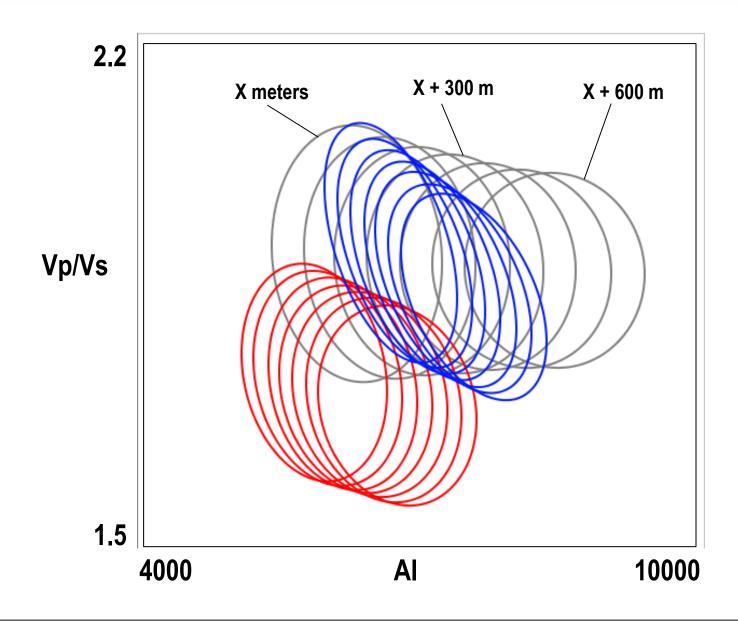
## **Stochastic Forward Modelling**





## **Depth Dependent Modelling**

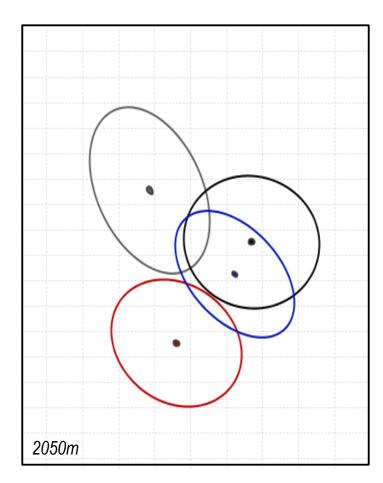


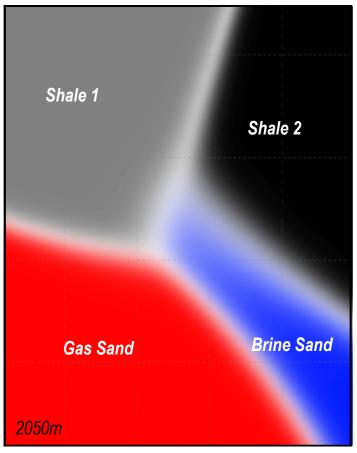


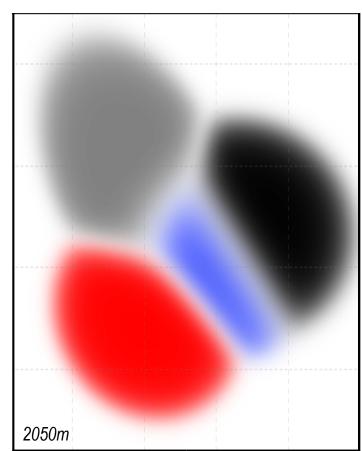
#### Seismic Reservoir Characterisation FROM INVERSION



#### Know what you don't know too!







Rock Property PDFs

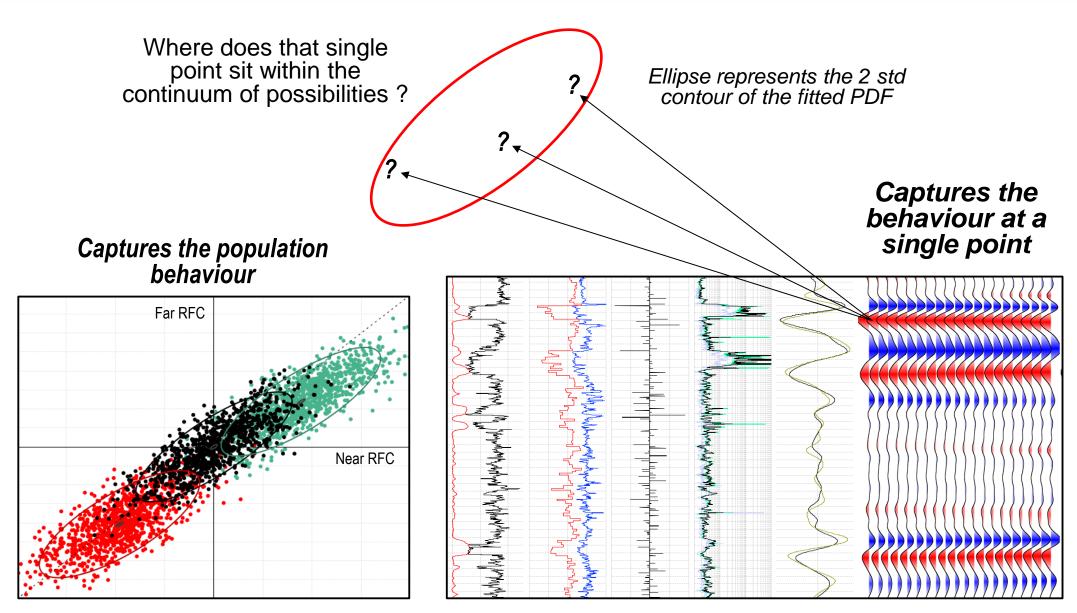
**Posterior Probabilities** 

Posterior Probabilities (accounting for unknowns)



#### **Statistical vs Deterministic**

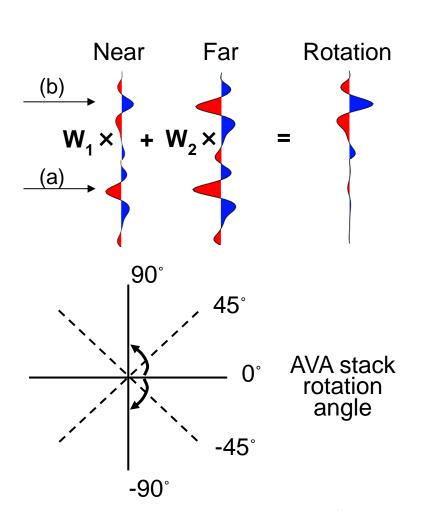


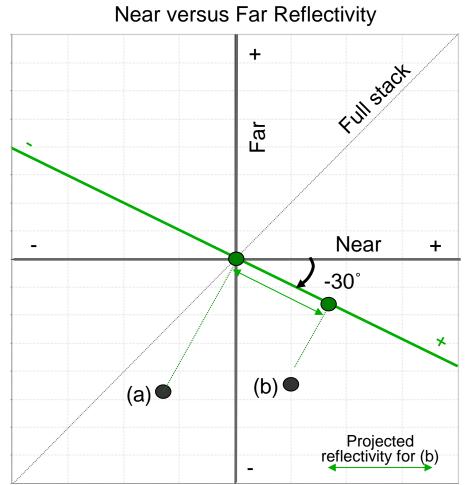


#### **AVA Stack Rotations**

Introduction





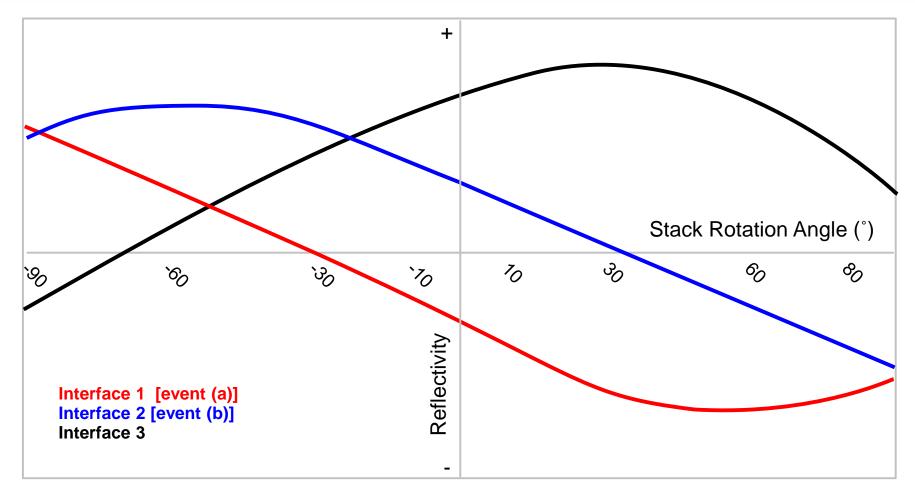


An AVA stack rotation is a weighted stack of AVA attributes - for example near and far angle stacks. The weights ( $W_1$  and  $W_2$ ) are defined by the stack rotation angle which varies between -90° and 90°. This can be thought of as a constant angle projection. In the example above, a stack rotation angle of -30° defines a projection (green line) which tends to suppress the Class 3 AVA event (a) and enhance the polarity flipping Class 1 event (b).

#### **AVA Stack Rotations**

Illustrative example

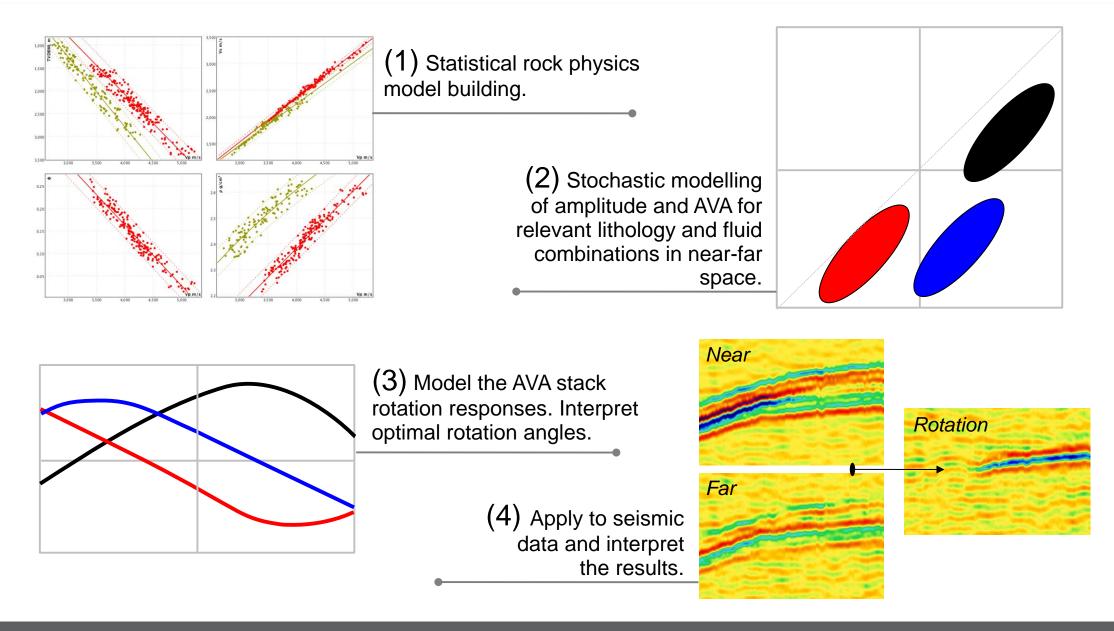




The variation in (projected) reflectivity as a function of stack rotation angle can be forward modelled to determine if optimal rotation angles exist for fluid and/or lithology discrimination. In this case, a rotation angle of approximately -30° should highlight event (b) while suppressing the Class 3 event (a). Alternatively a rotation angle around 30 degrees will tend to suppress event (b). Ideally rotation angles which leave a target of interest relatively bright while suppressing other reflections are desired.

#### **AVA** stack rotation workflow



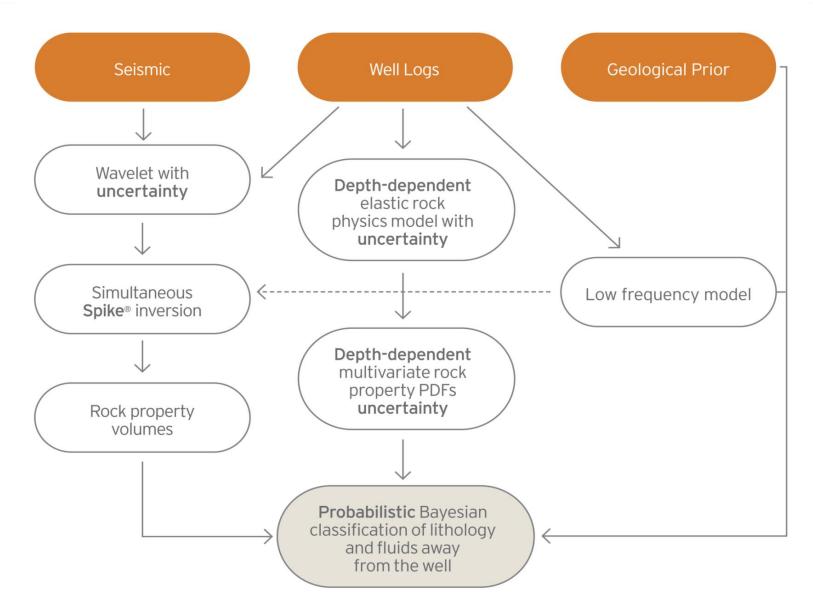






#### QI Workflow









#### **DUG Spike® - Constrained Simultaneous Inversion**



#### **Absolute**

#### **Relative**

P and S impedance and Density

Low frequency models

Intercept, Gradient and Curvature

NO Low frequency models

Pre and post stack / 1D, 2D and 3D / Any number of angle stacks

4 dimensional wavelet field

A constrained non-linear optimisation is solved at every trace location

3 fundamental constraints

Seismic matcher

High frequency damper

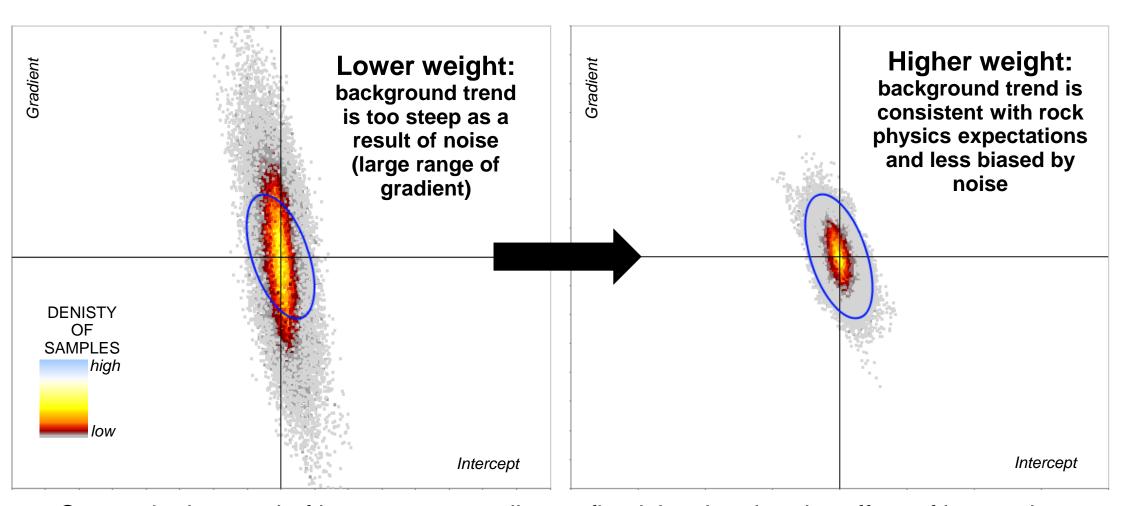
Low frequency damper

Other constraints including Rock Physics AVA Covariance on reflectivity



#### **DUG Spike® - Constrained Simultaneous Inversion**





Cross-plot inverted of intercept vs gradient reflectivity showing the effect of increasing weight on the rock physics AVA covariance constraint. The shape of the expected distribution is shown by the blue ellipse.

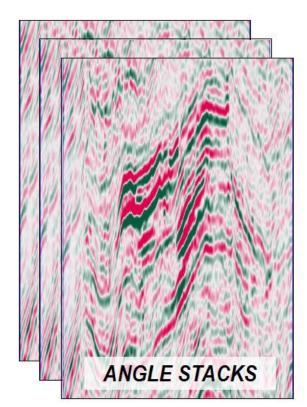
#### **Simultaneous Inversion**



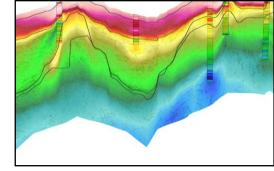
#### **Inversion Products**

#### Simultaneous Inversion

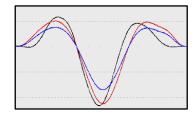
#### Seismic



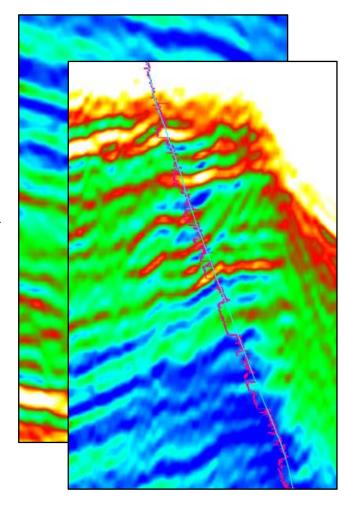
LF Models



Wavelet Field





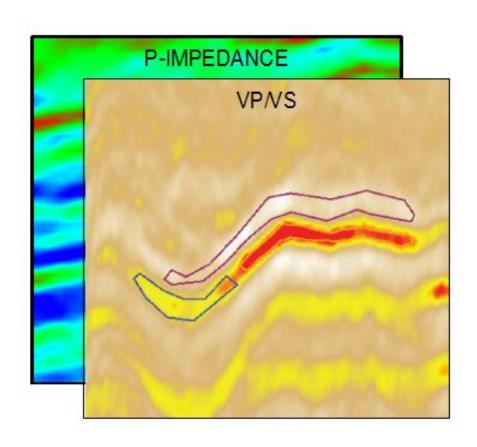


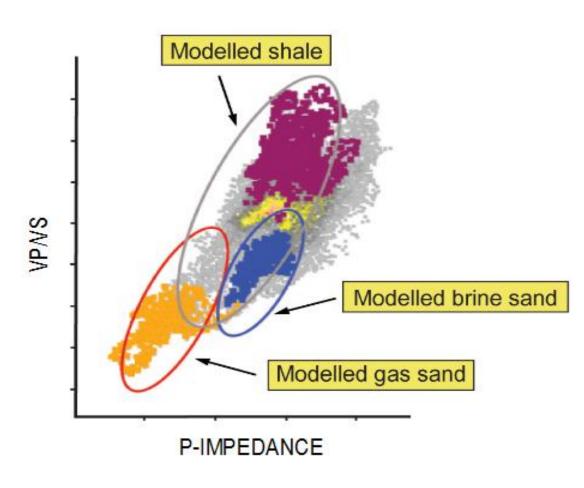




## **Lithology and Fluid Prediction**







**Inverted Rock Properties** 

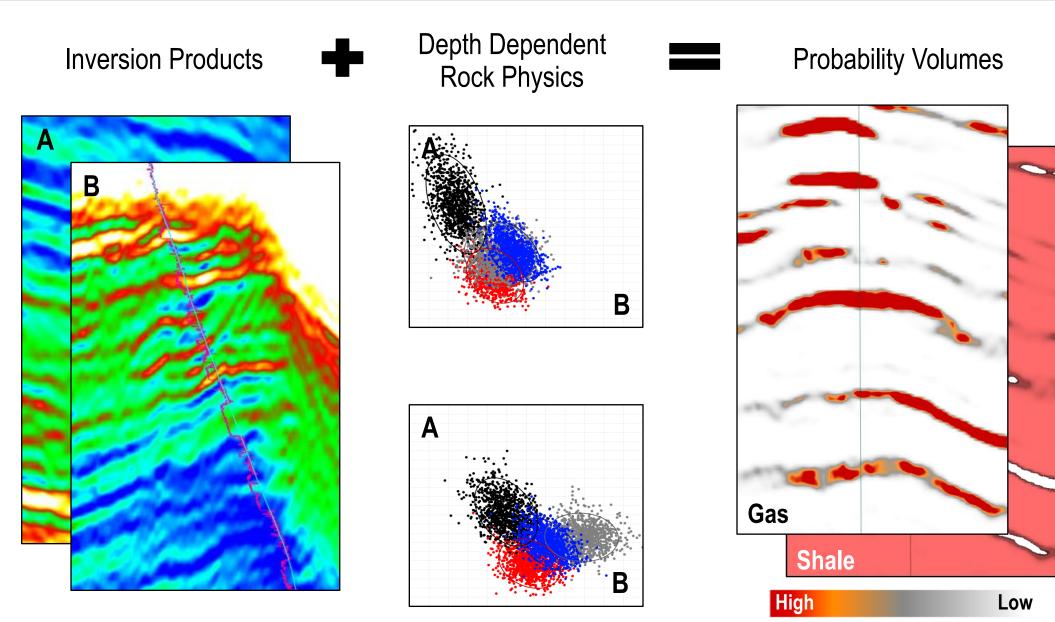
**Bayesian Classification** 





## Lithology and Fluid Prediction





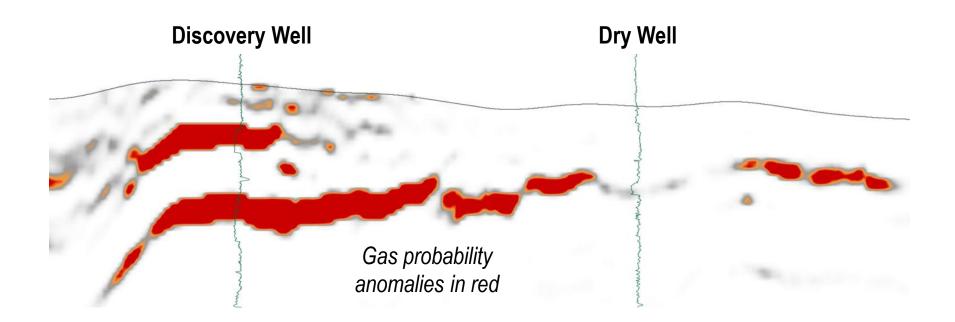




#### **Adding Value with Inversion**



Inversion and seismic reservoir characterisation provided confidence to drill downdip of a dry well → the first of over a dozen successful new discovery and appraisal wells in this block.



Simultaneous Absolute Inversion and Probabilistic Lithology and Fluid Prediction



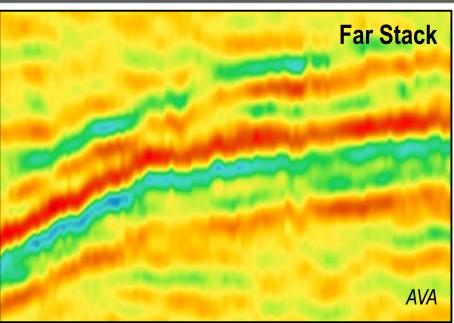


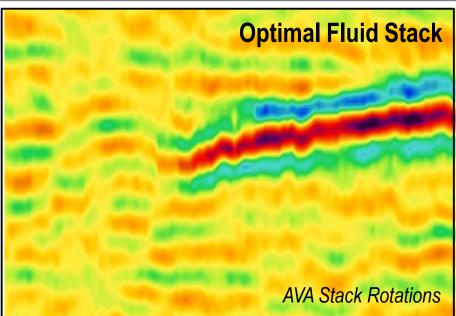
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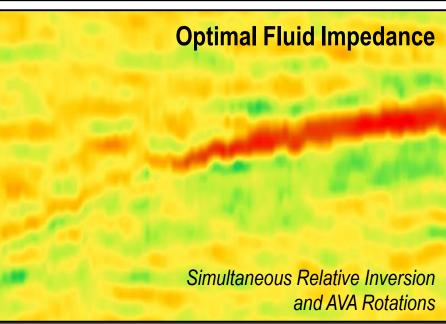


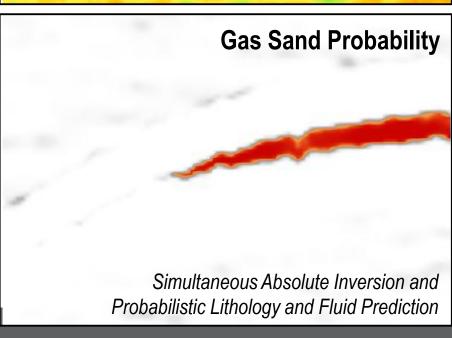
AVA Attribute











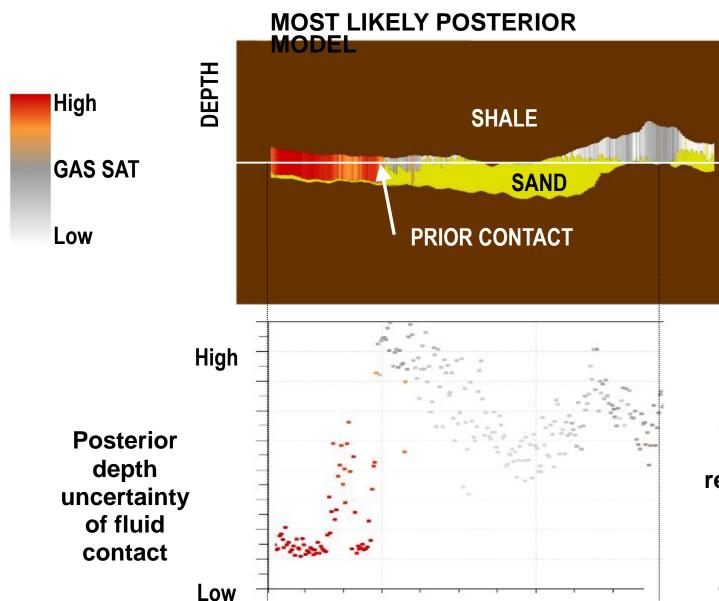






## Bayesian Model Based (Stochastic) Inversion (Delivery)





Statistics based on 1000 posterior realisations (statistical significance)

DELIVERY, Gunning and Glinsky, Computers & Geosciences, 30, 2004





#### **Velocity Conditioning**



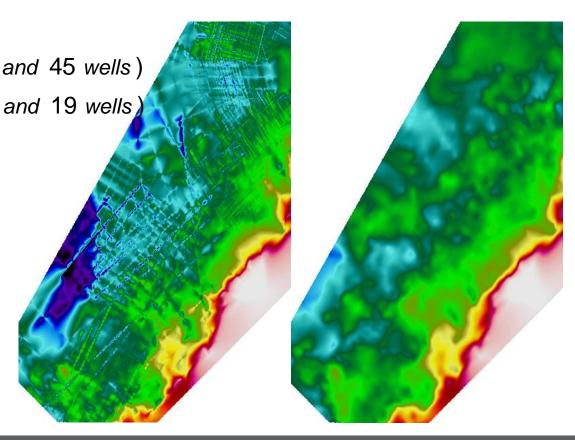
- Multi-survey 2D and 3D
- Conversion/Editing/Smoothing/Reconciling/Interp/Extrap/Merging
- Geostatistical scaling to tie wells
- Horizon consistent

Recent projects

132,000 km<sup>2</sup> ( 18 3D / 45 2D surveys and 45 wells )

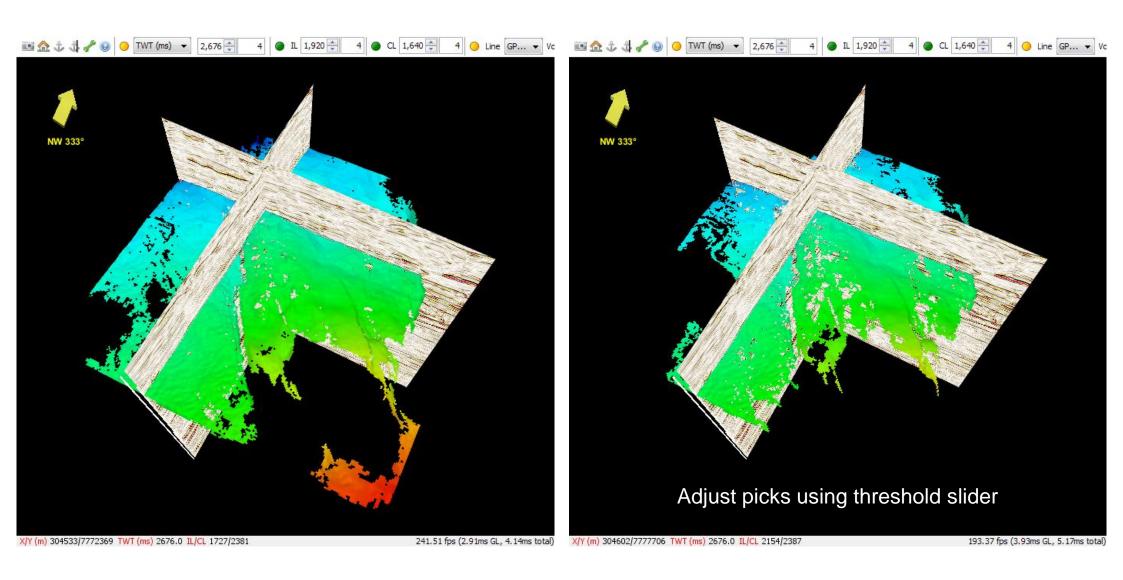
127,000 km<sup>2</sup> (1 3D / 14 2D surveys and 19 wells)

- Carnarvon multiclient:
  - 134,000 km<sup>2</sup>
  - 50+ 3D surveys
  - 30+ 2D surveys
  - 80+ wells)



## **Waveform propagation**

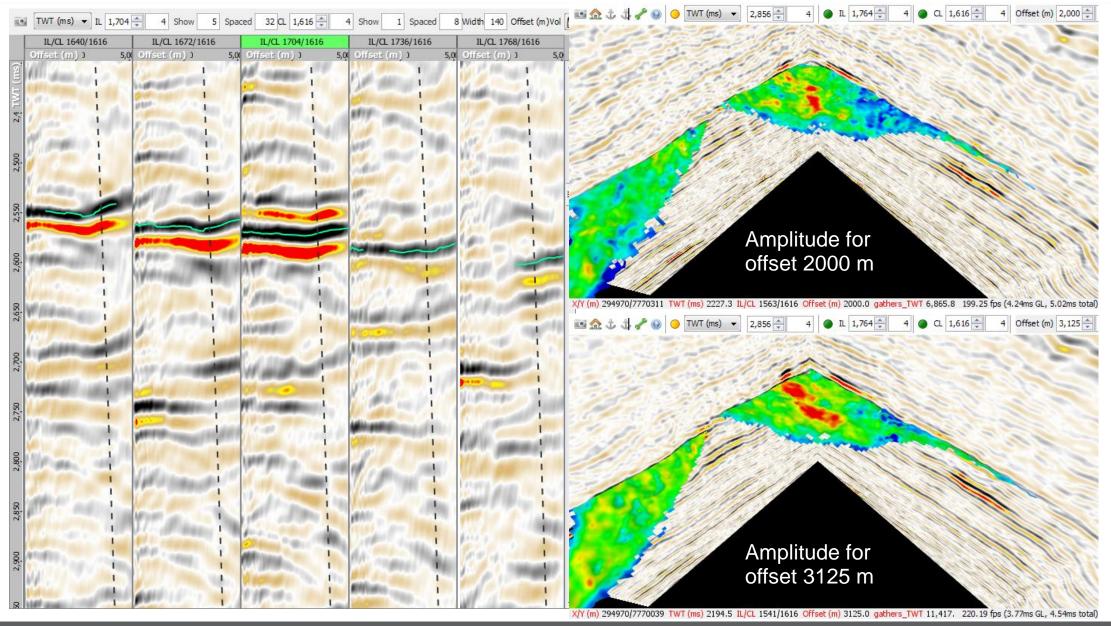






#### Pre stack interpretation







## On the fly processes



