

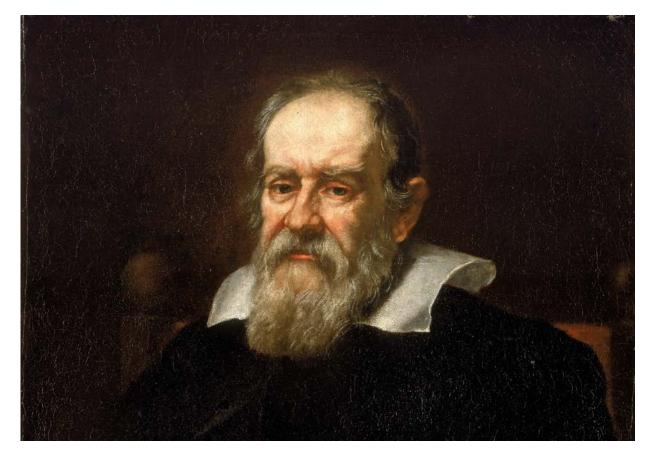
Review of Fault Seal in the Exmouth Sub Basin, North West Australia



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Science is not a Popularity Contest





Complex Models Don't Solve Uncertain Problems

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Reproducibility in Subsurface Geoscience

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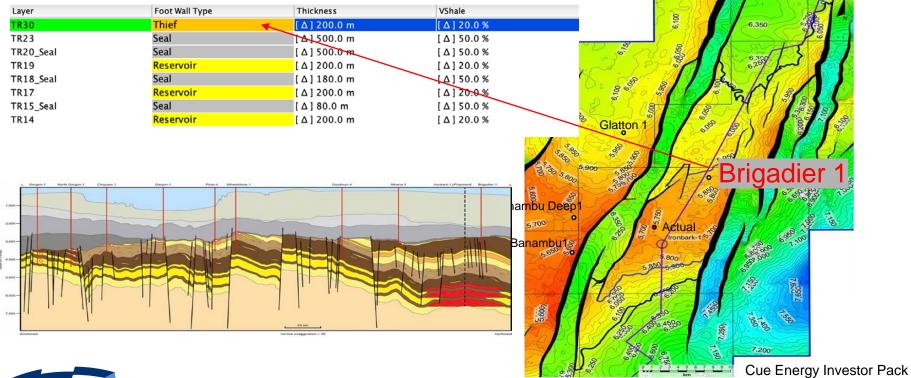
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Ironbark Prospect NW Australia



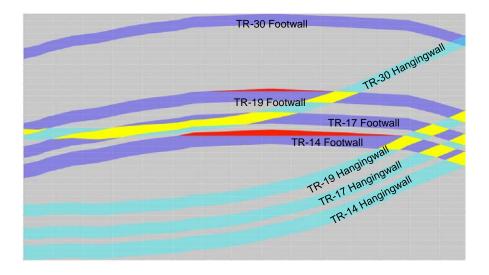
Mungaroo TR17 Depth Map



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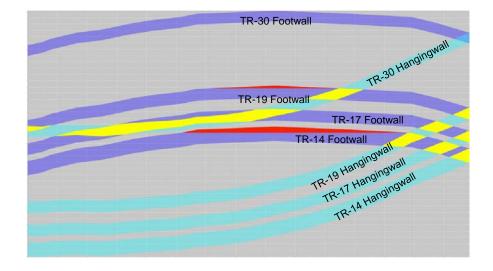




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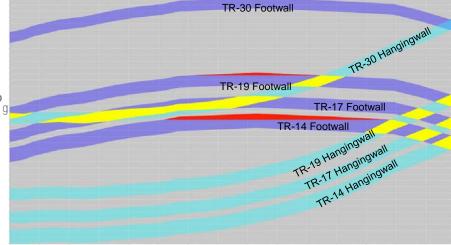




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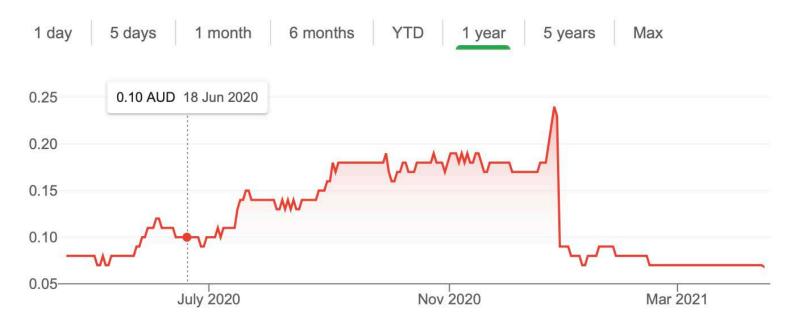
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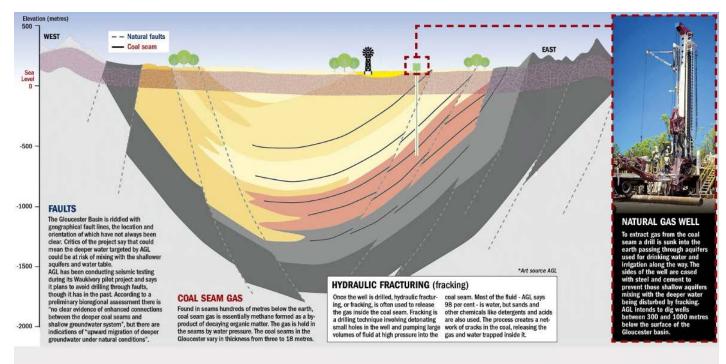


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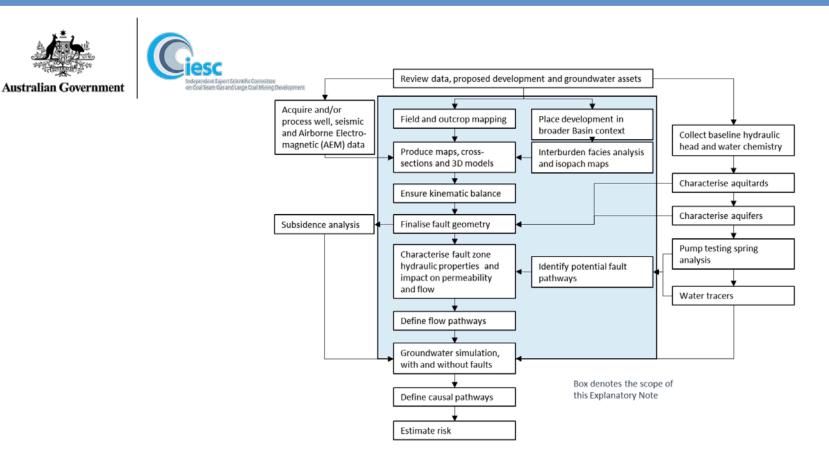


Faulting and Ground Water





Coal seam gas impact on water security key issue for Gloucester residents Michael McGowan Newcastle Herald 2014



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Characterisation and modelling of geological fault zones.

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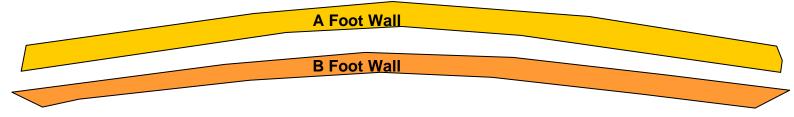




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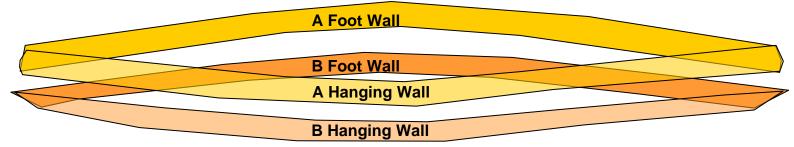
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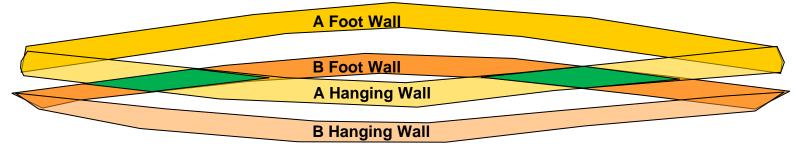


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This can be done in Excel or with Pencil and Paper

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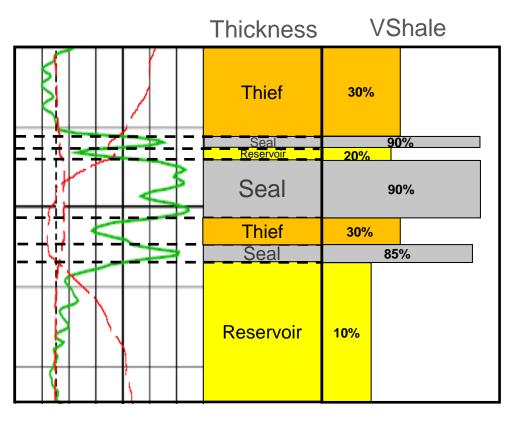
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 γ = throw/length = 346m/7400m = ~0.047

Stratigraphic Thickness and Seal Character

Reservoirs
 Seals
 Thief zones (permeable over geologic time)

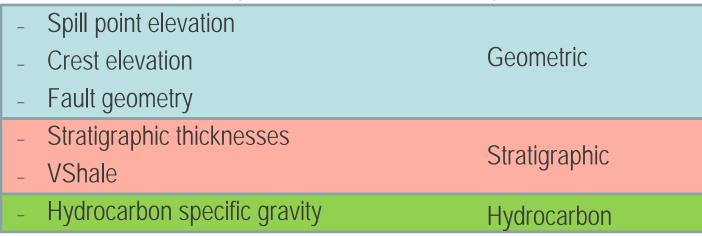
Thickness and VShale values are described using statistical distributions





Stochastic Trap Analysis

- One Fault Block at a time
- Each fault block can have one or more faults
- Monte Carlo Simulation produces 10,000 Allan maps/fault and varies:

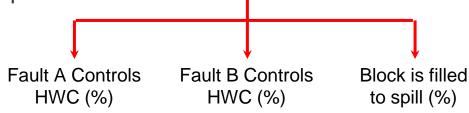


For each Allan Map, the Juxtaposition and SGR leak points are calculated/found



Validation Process

• For each fault block and for each Monte Carlo instance, the juxtaposition and SGR predictions levels are compared to the structural spill point



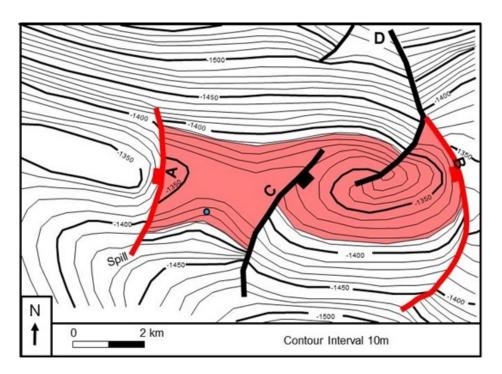
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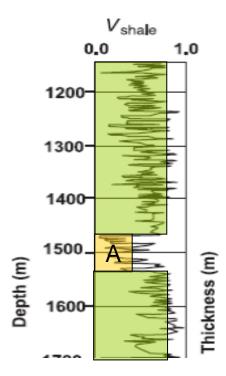
- Distributions of the HWC levels and the column heights are created
- The modelled HWC





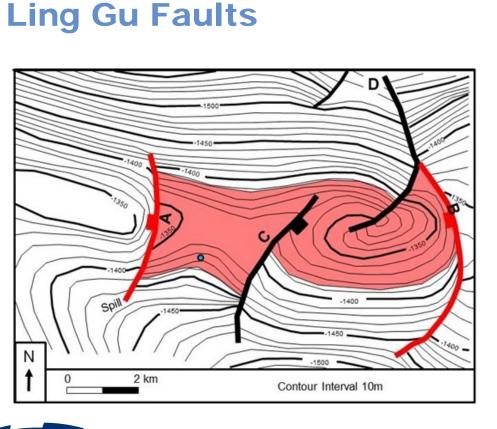
Ling Gu Case Study (Malay Basin)

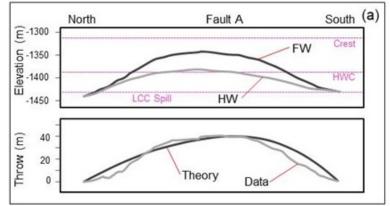


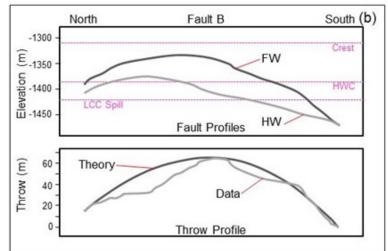


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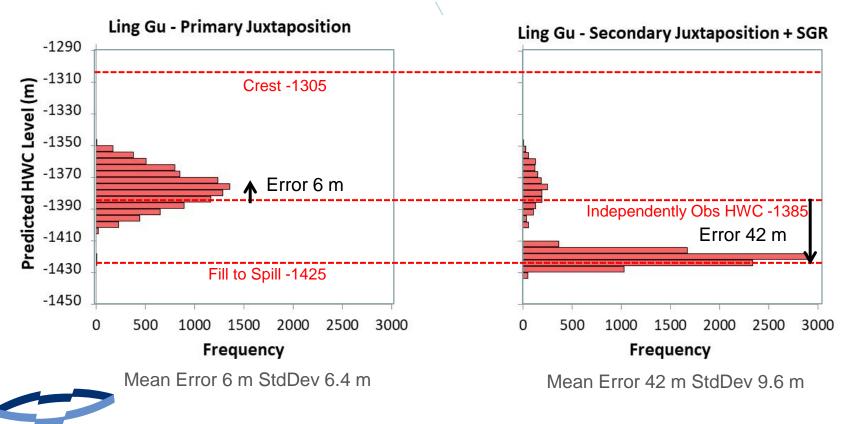




Murray et al 2019

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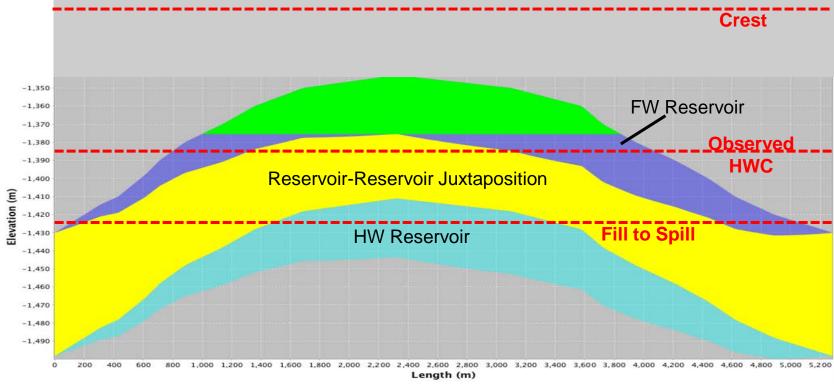
Ling Gu SGR over predicts most of the time



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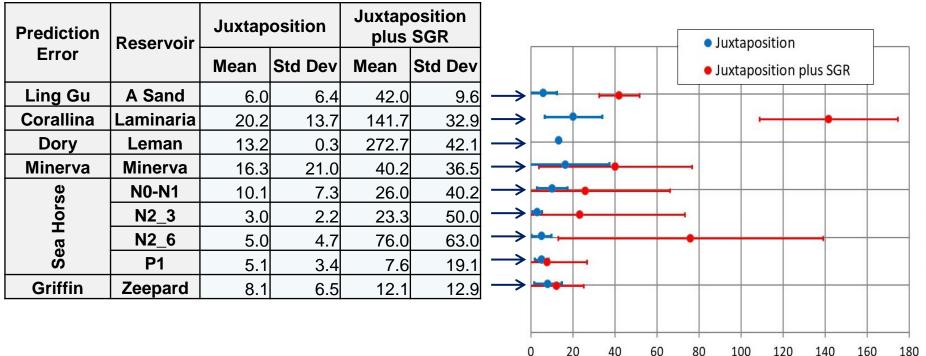
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West Fault P50 Allan Map





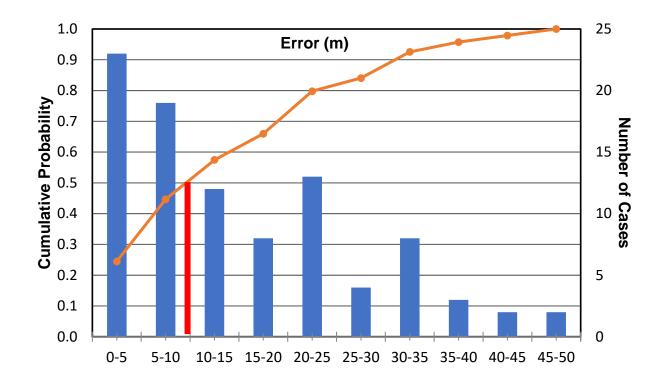
Summary – Prediction Errors for 6 Case Studies



Prediction Error (m)



Subset of Global Practice

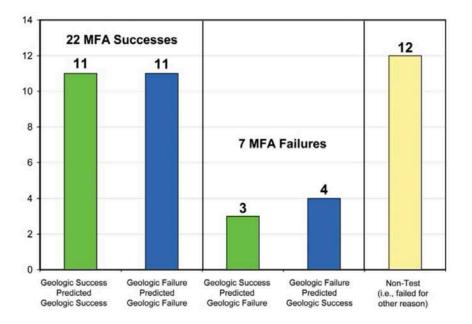




Multi-fault analysis scorecard: testing the stochastic approach in fault seal prediction

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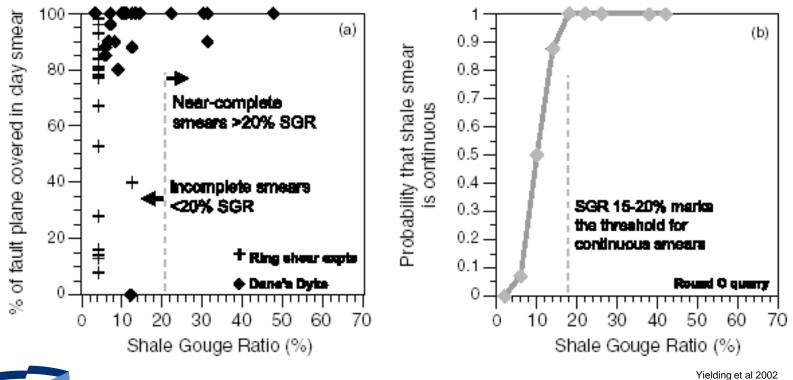




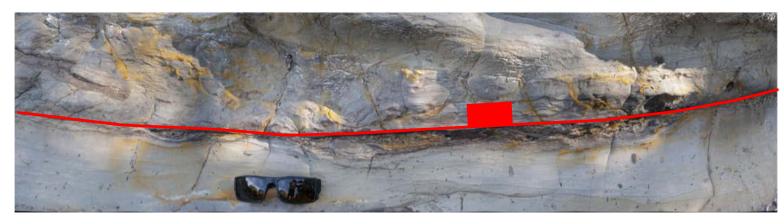
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SGR Seal Threshold

SGR >20% Continuous Smear





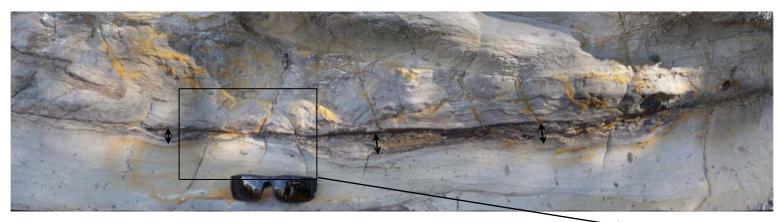


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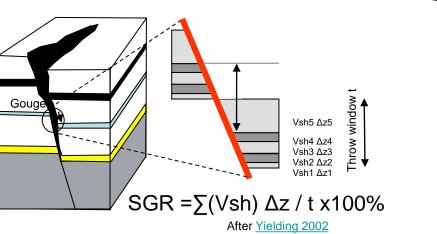
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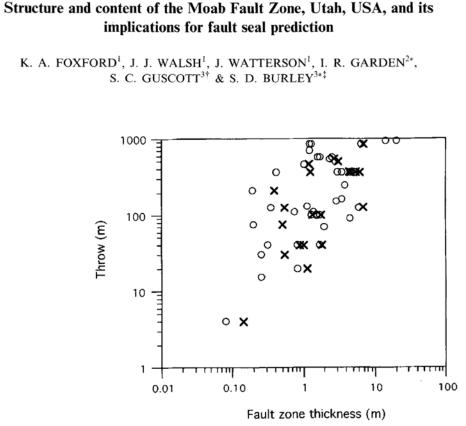


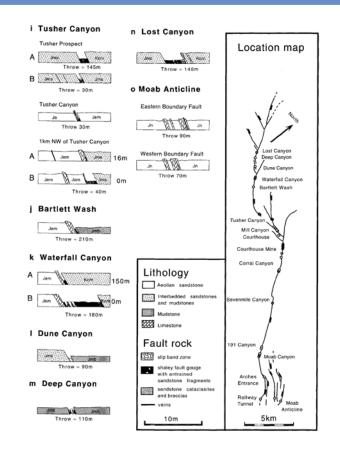
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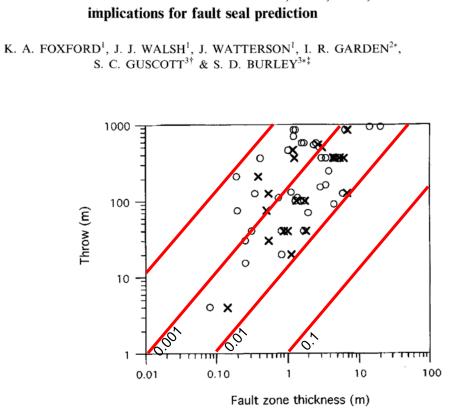




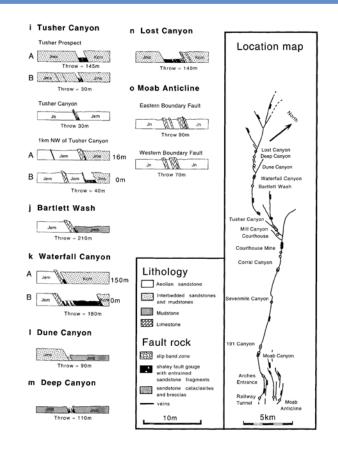


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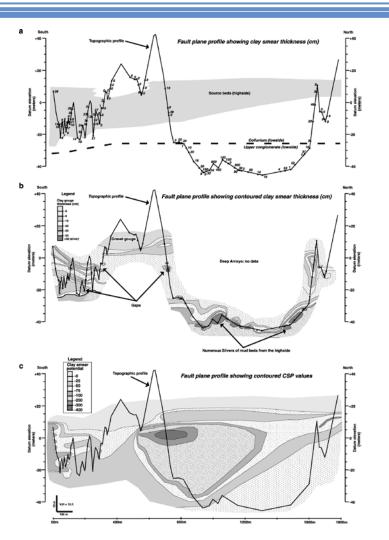
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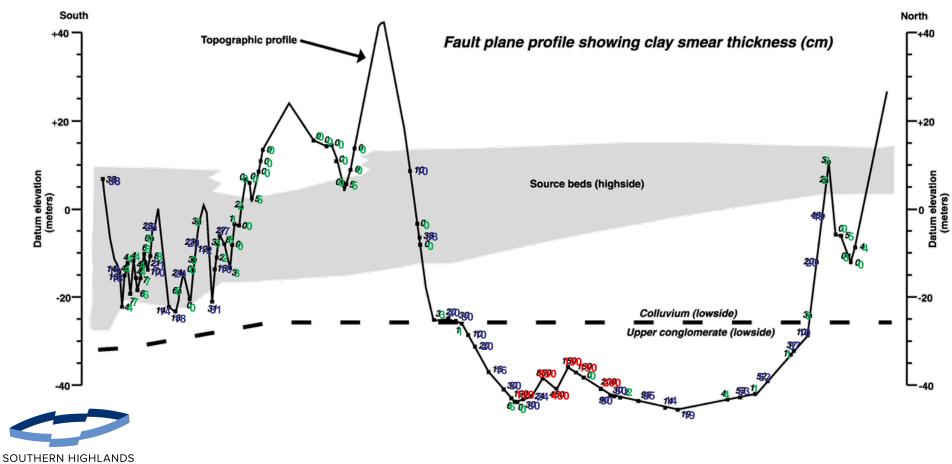
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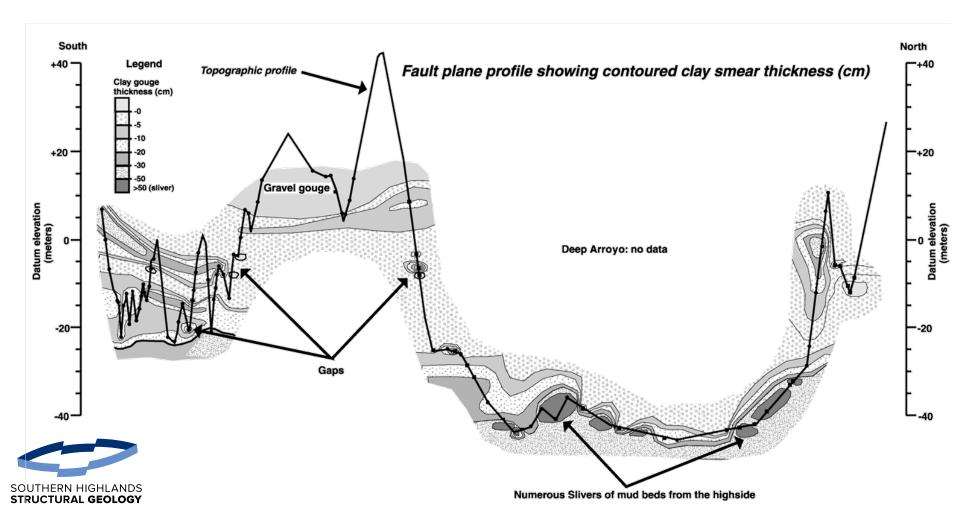
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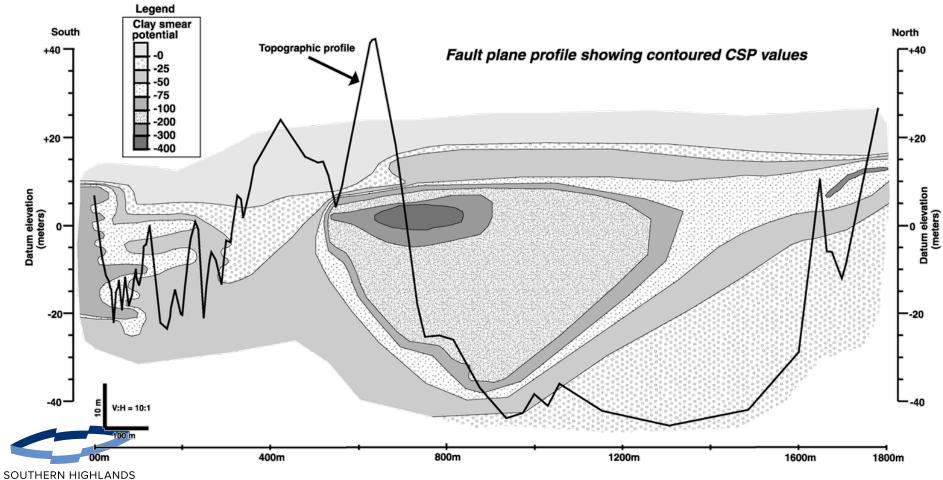
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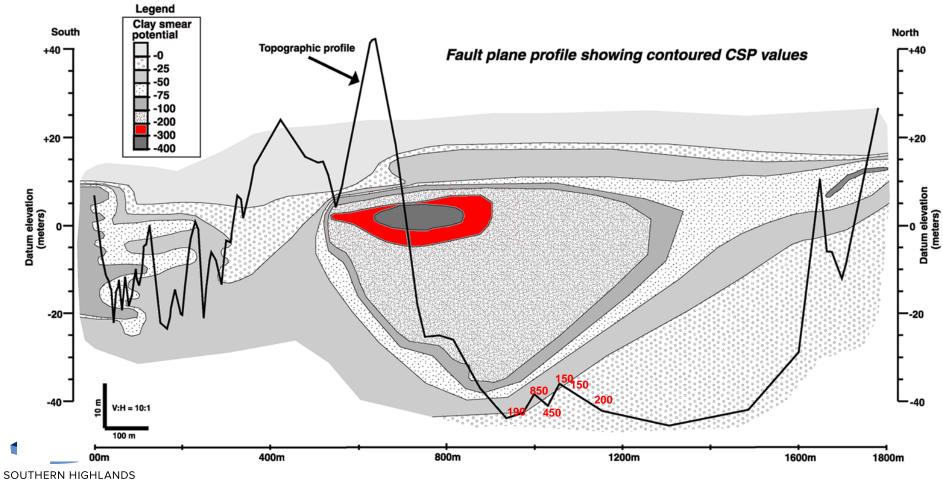


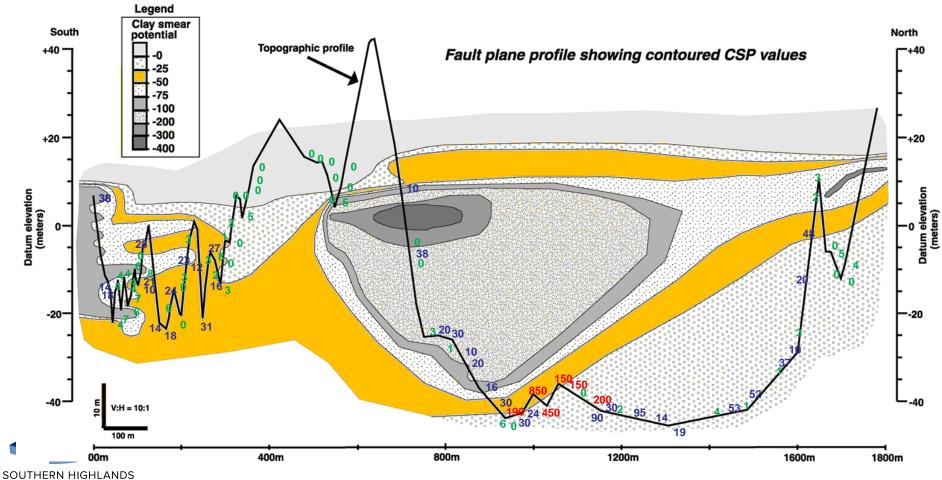












Miri Sarawak



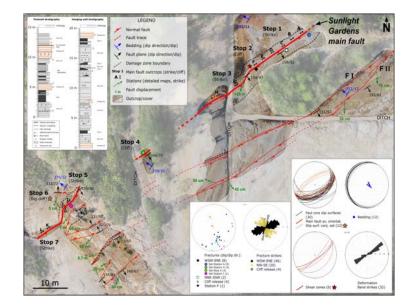






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Miri Sarawak Fault Rock

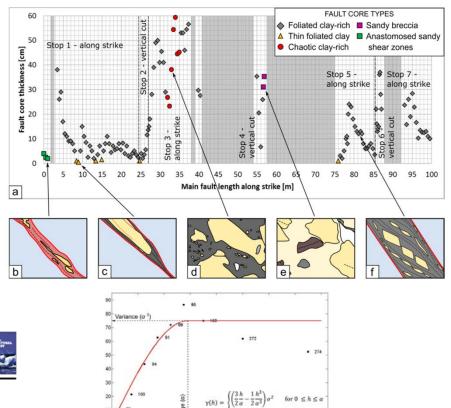






Along-strike fault core thickness variations of a fault in poorly lithified sediments, Miri (Malaysia)

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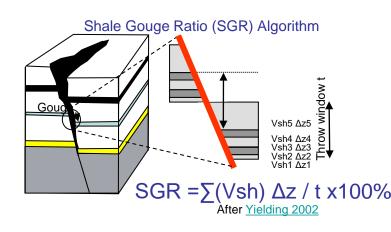


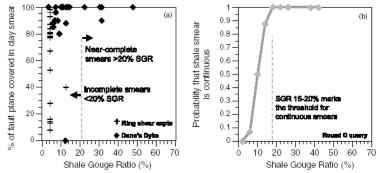
Lag distance, h (m)

for $h \ge \alpha$



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 - Map how *thin* not how **thick!**







Gabriel Watson PhD Mt Messenger NZ

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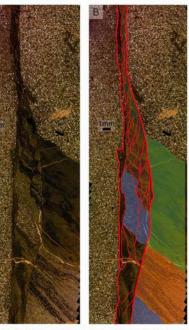
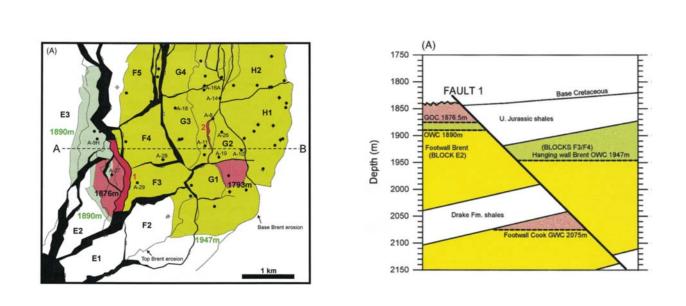


Figure 3.16. RAP 102 ductile shale smear thin section across the footwall of a smeared sittstone bed from Rapanui Beach showing micro scale silp surfaces and slices. A) Uninterpreted thin section. B) Interpreted thin section showing micro-faults and source beds. Blue granular unit is a fine sandstone, the orange unit is a slitstone with organic rich horizons (dark, long and thin layers), green is another siltstone.

- Outcrop data for nearly 200 small faults ... compared with (CSP, SSF and SGR)
- Implications of outcrop observations of small faults for the utility of fault-seal algorithms show no correlation with the occurrence of discontinuous and nonsmears.
- Comparison of fault-rock thickness measurements and fault-seal estimates from the three algorithms indicate that the algorithms do not reproduce the short wavelength (<0.5 m) up to order of magnitude variations in fault-rock thickness, most likely due to the calculations being based off only two variables.
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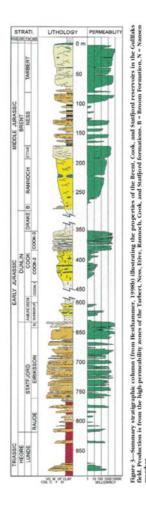
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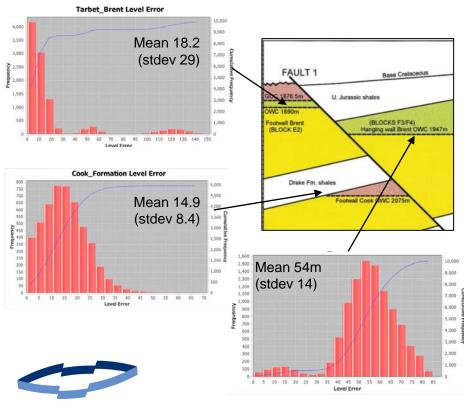
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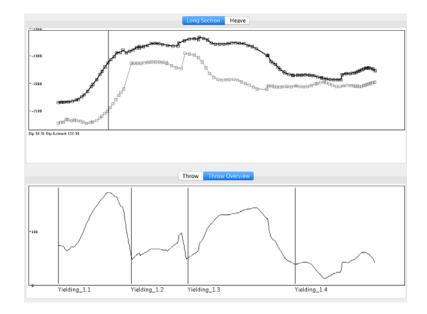
Compare SGR & Juxtaposition

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Petrel Model: Juxtaposition Outperforms SGR





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Reservoir	Mean	Stdev	Mean	Stdev	Ratio
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Cook Footwall	14.9	8.4	22.7	38.9	152%
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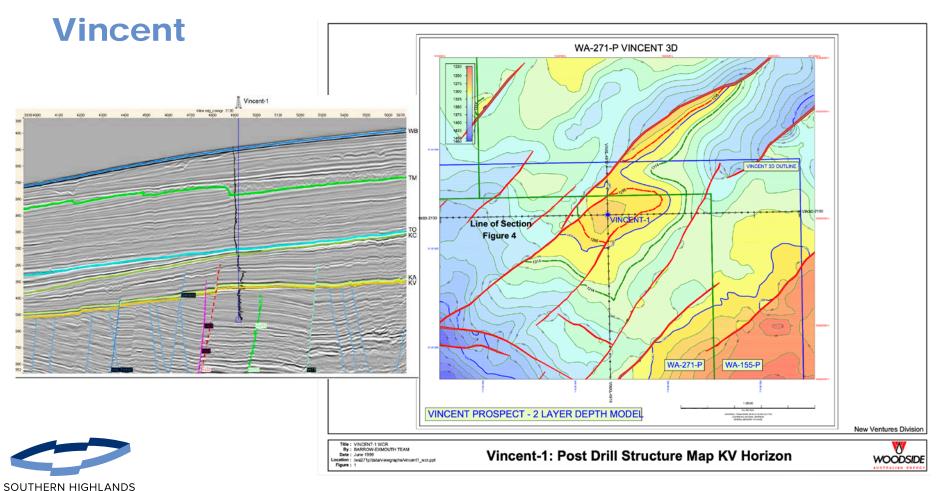
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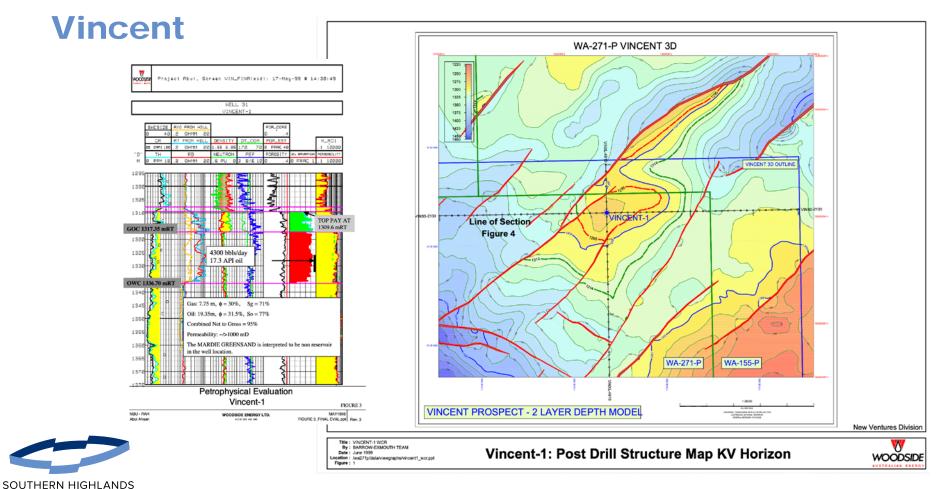


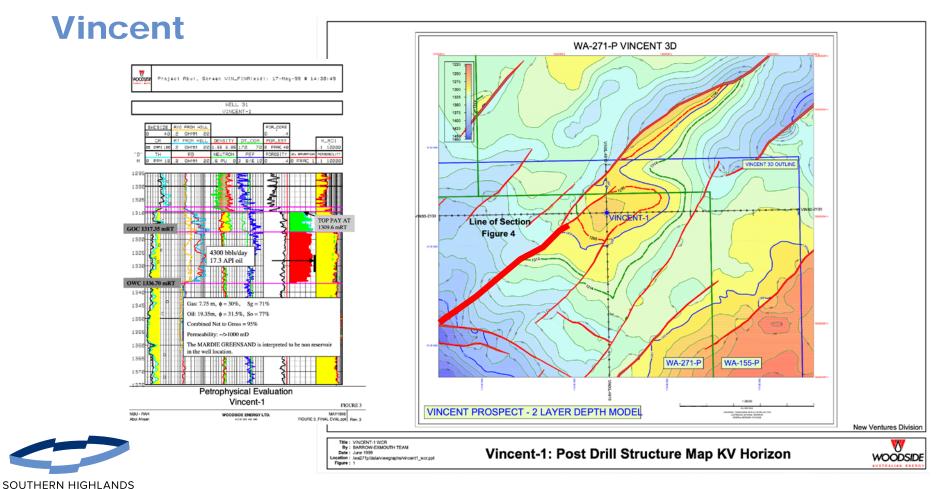
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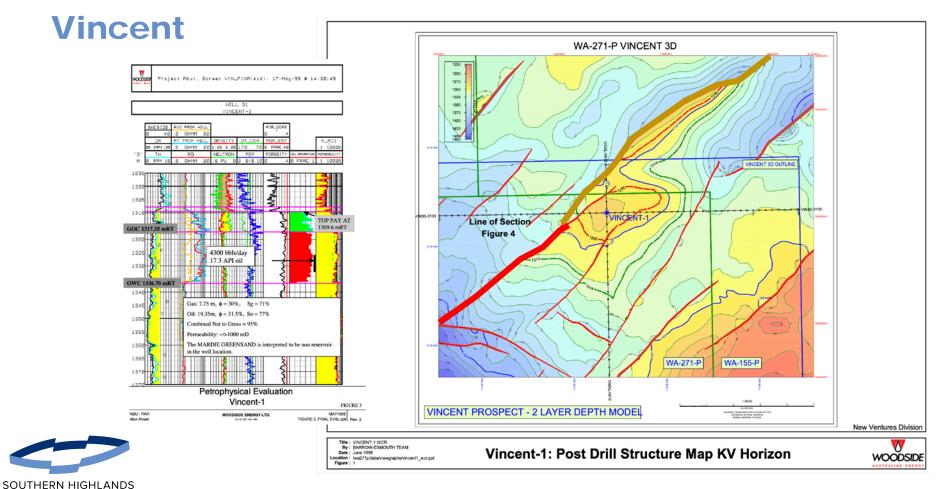
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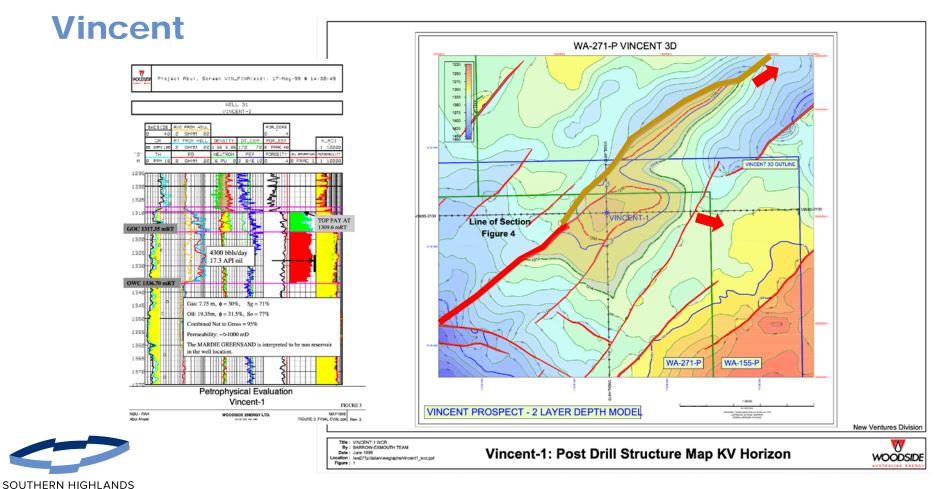
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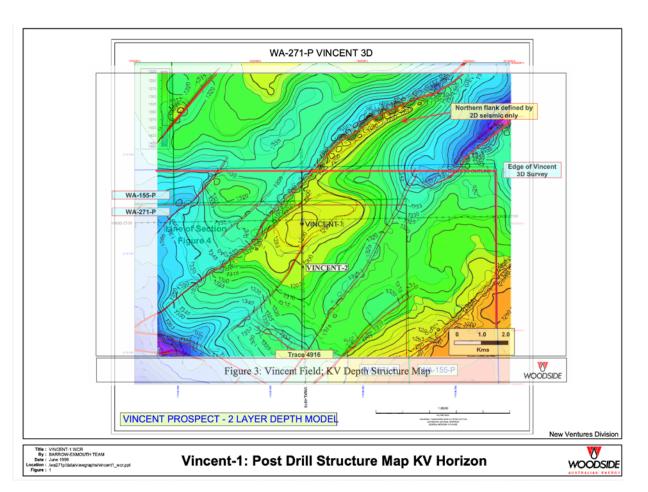




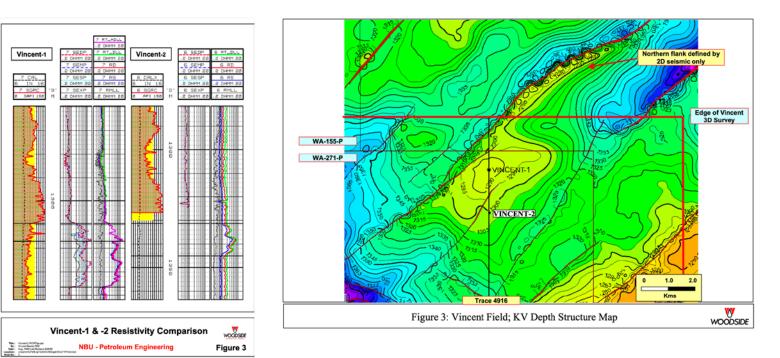




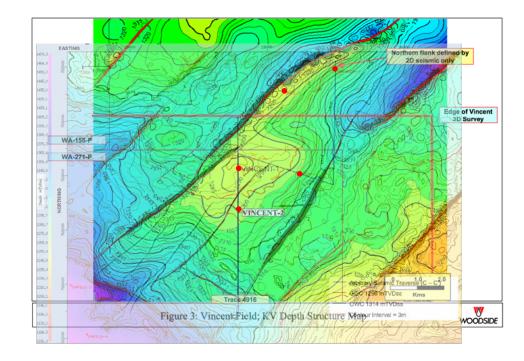






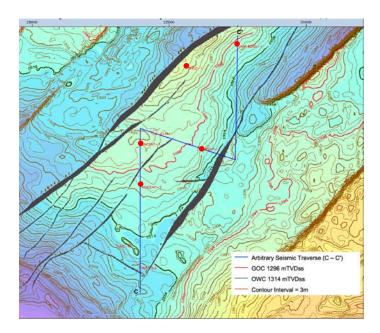








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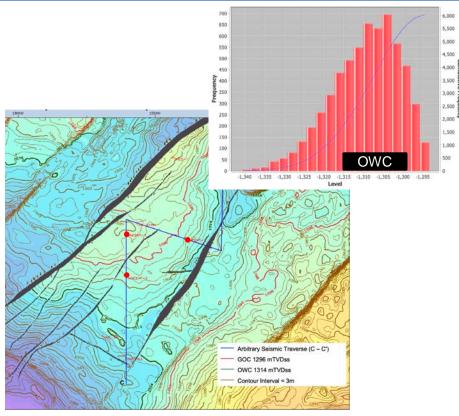




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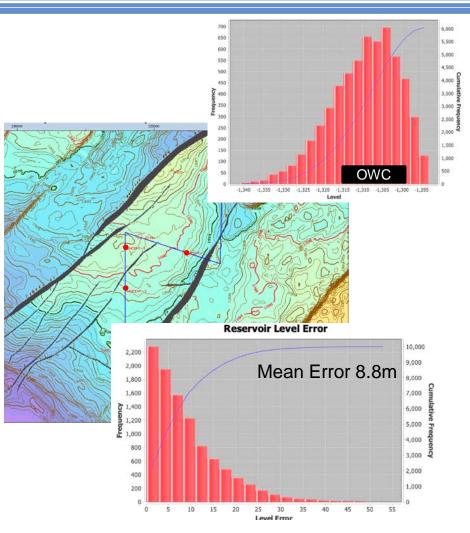




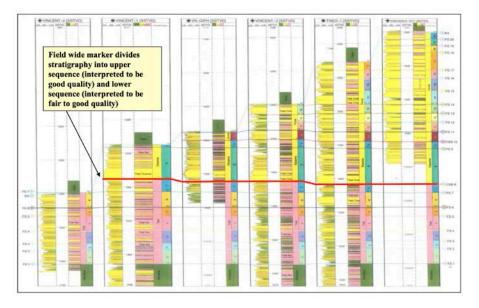
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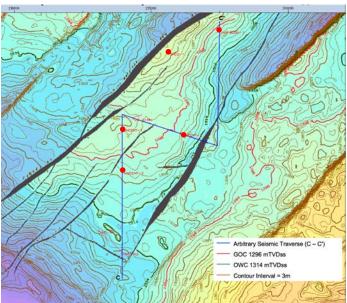
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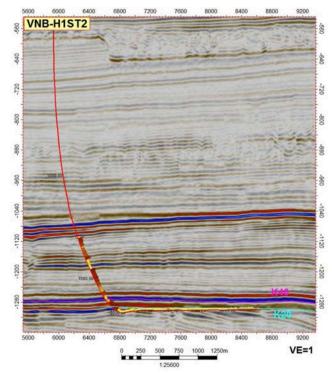


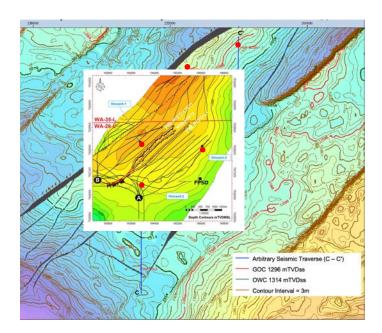




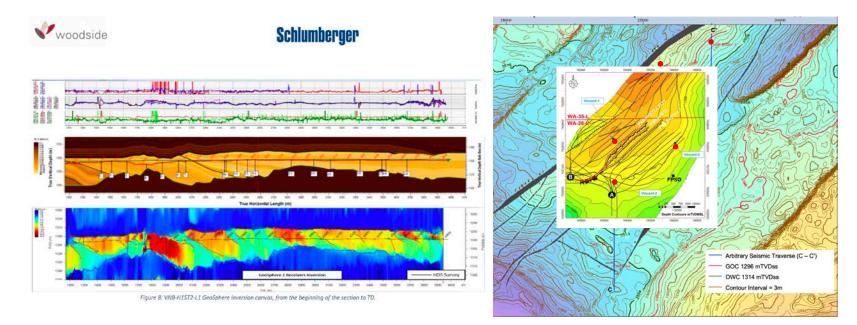














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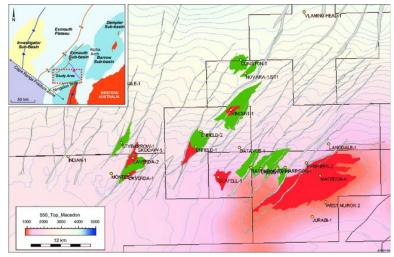
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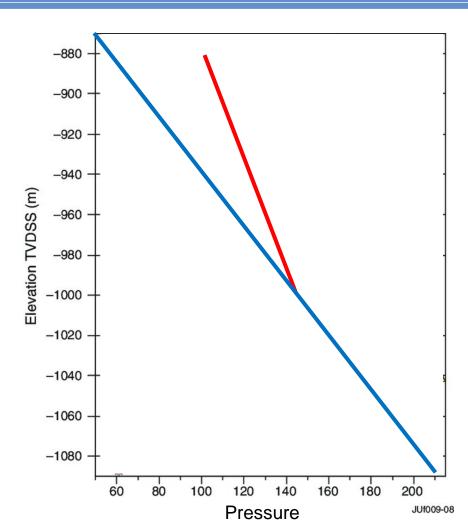
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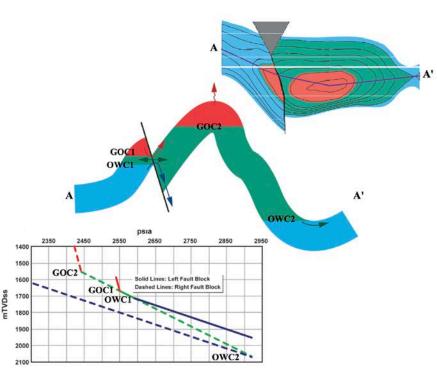


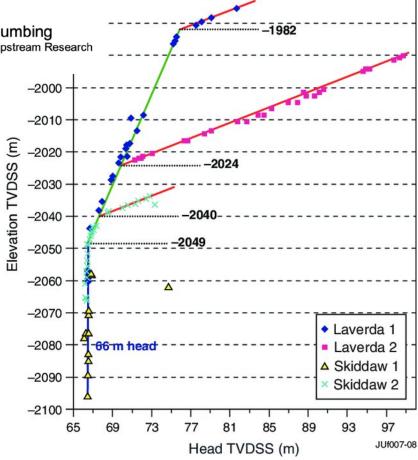




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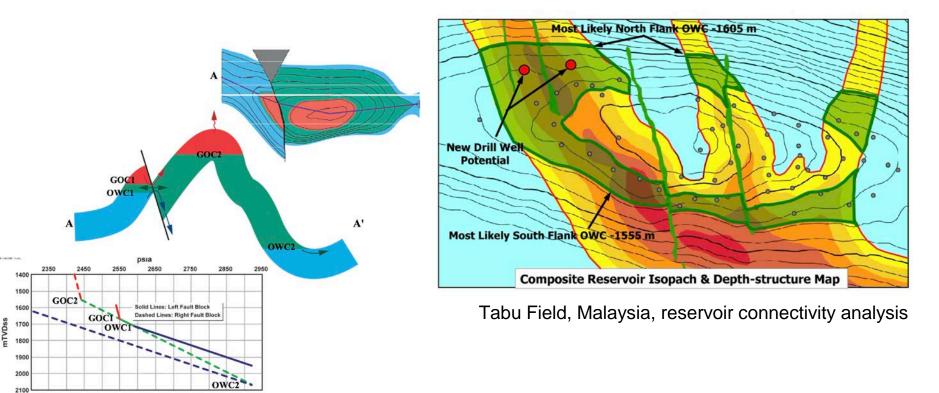




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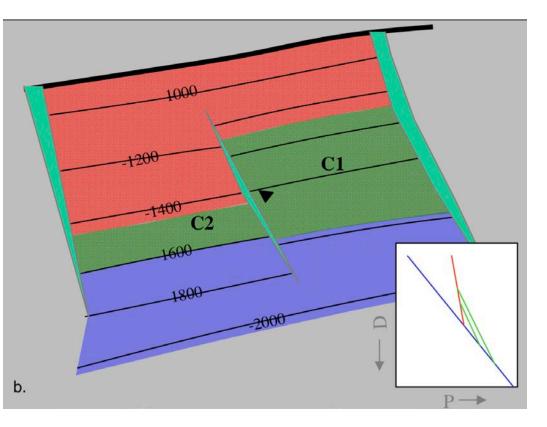


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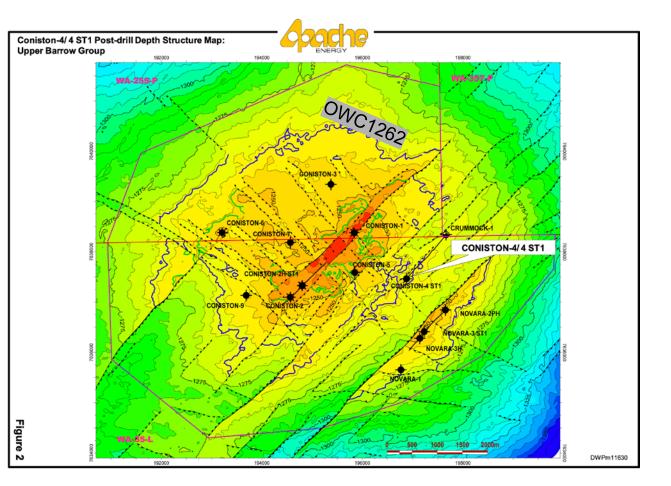


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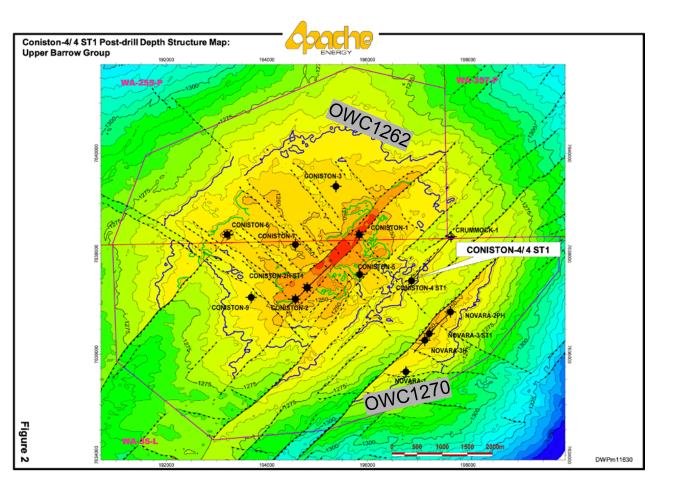
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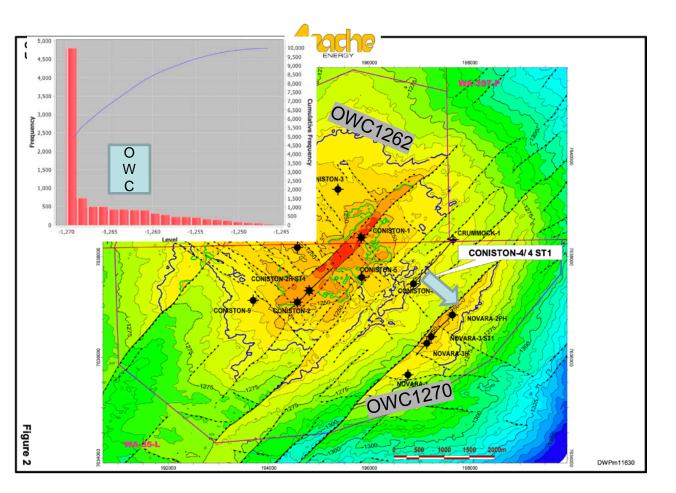


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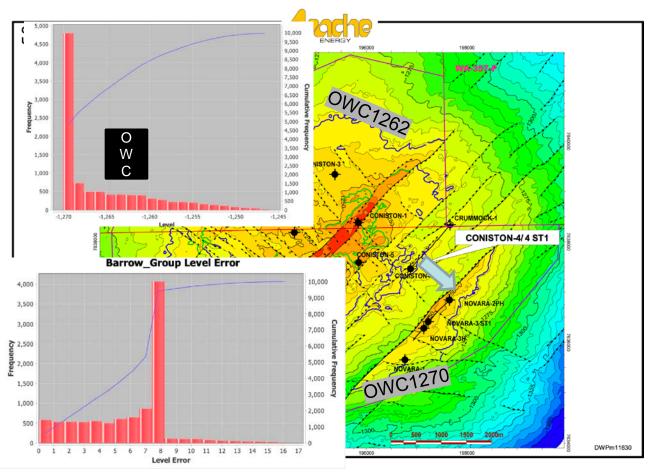


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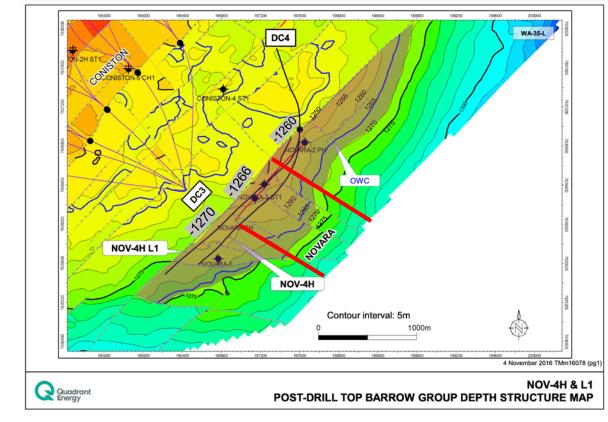


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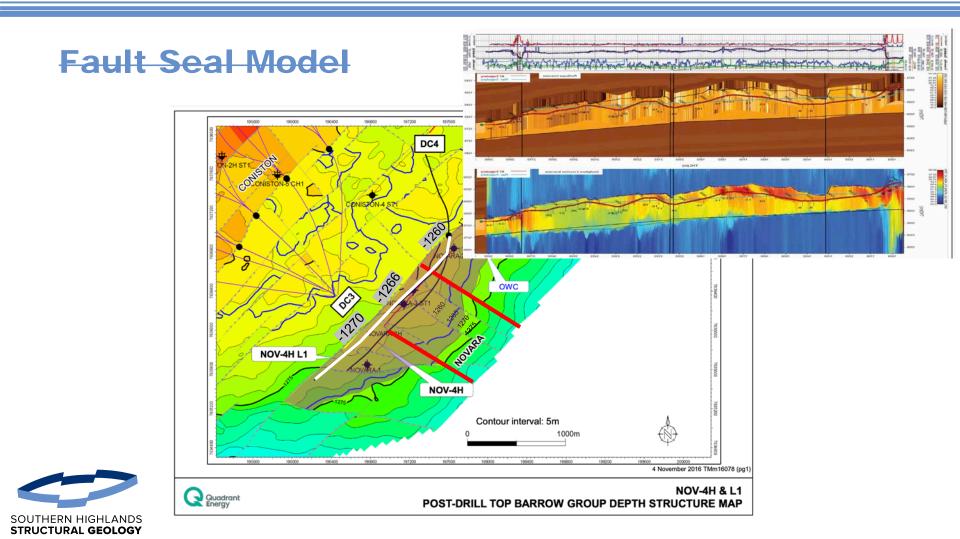




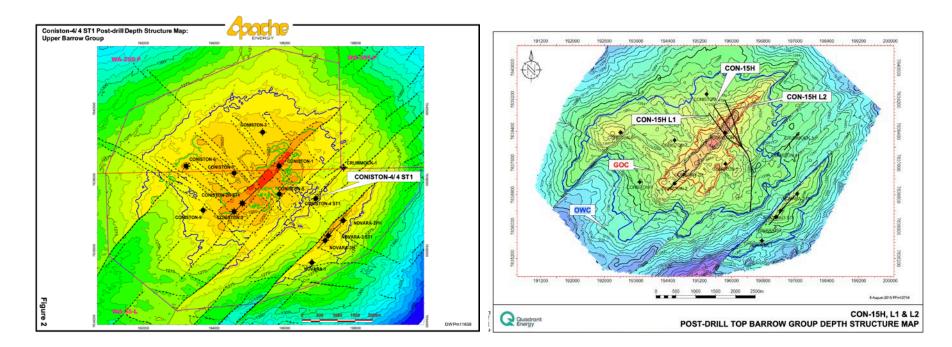
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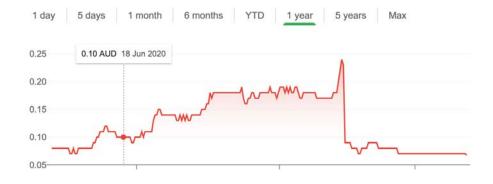
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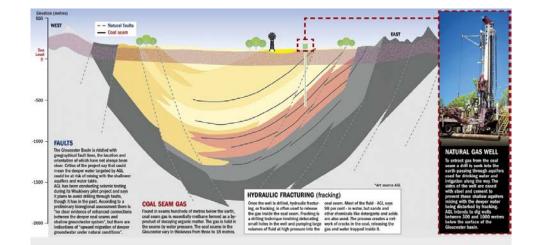
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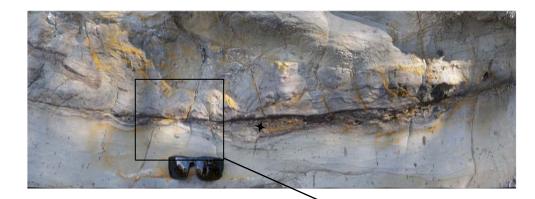
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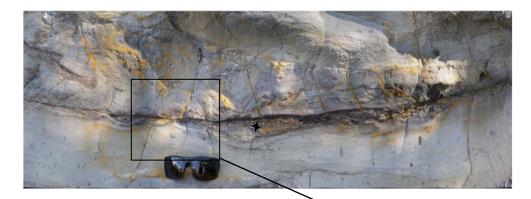






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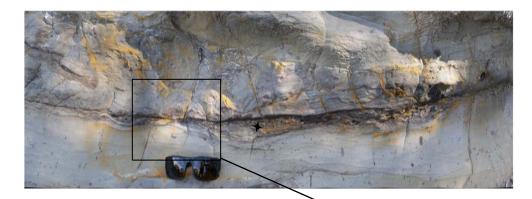






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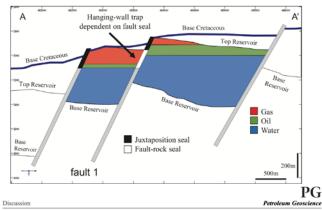




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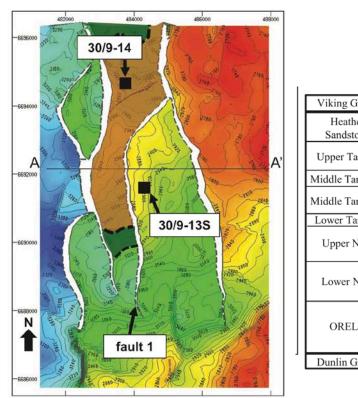
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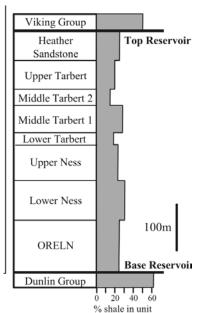
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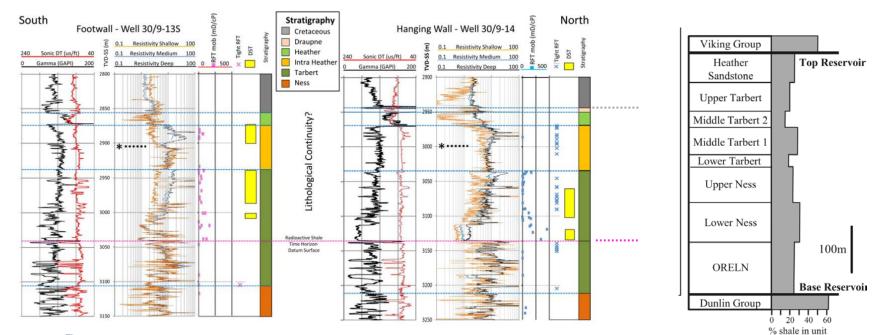
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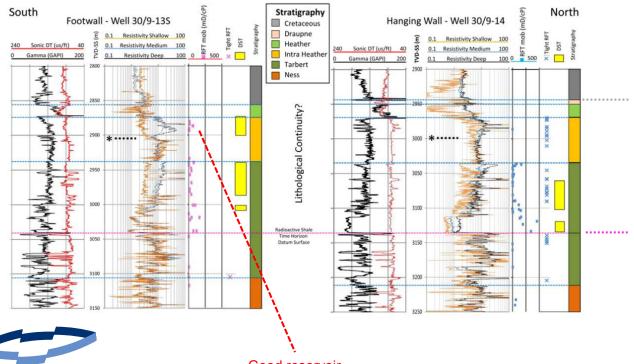


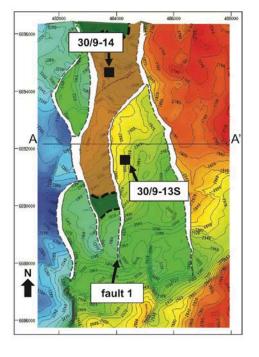
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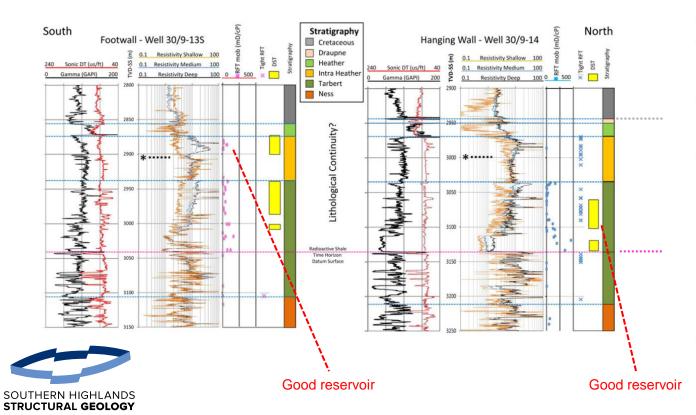


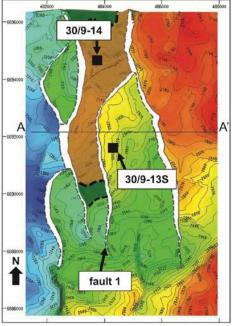




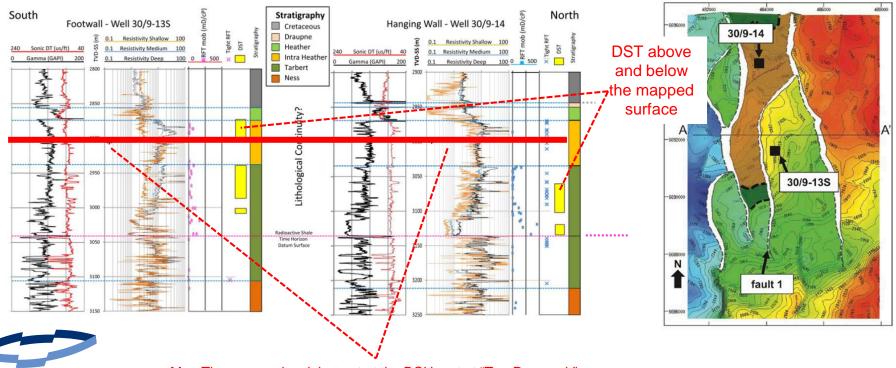
Good reservoir

Now Where is the Reservoir?





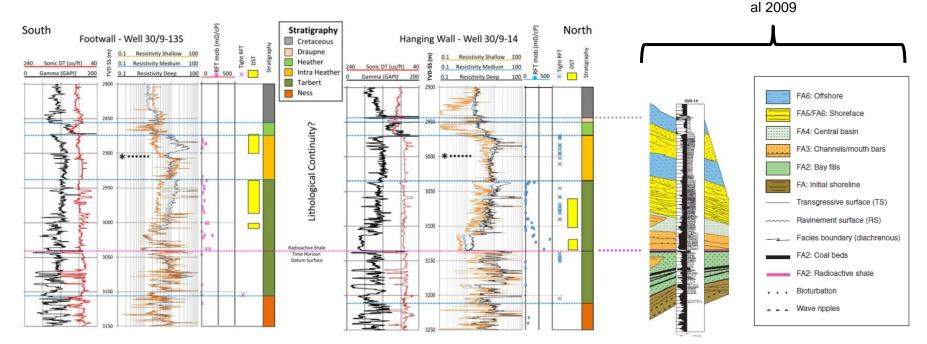
Map and Reservoir!



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Sequence Stratigraphy

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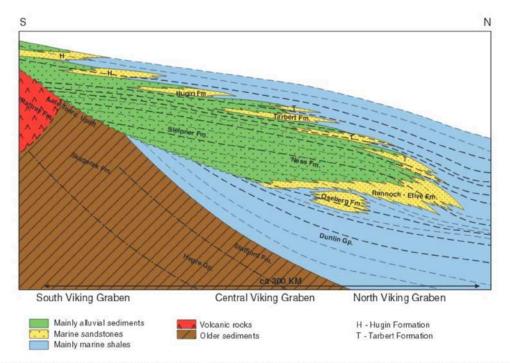
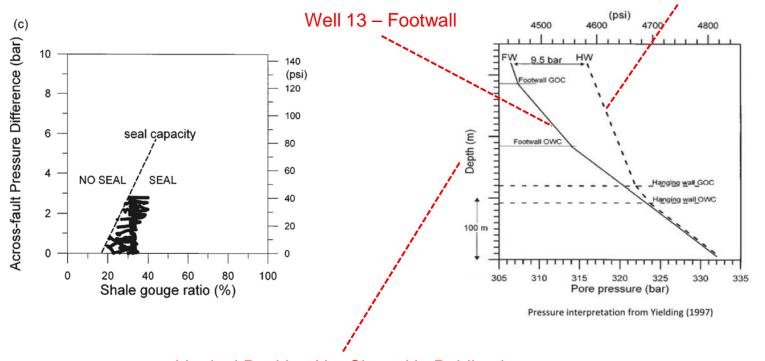




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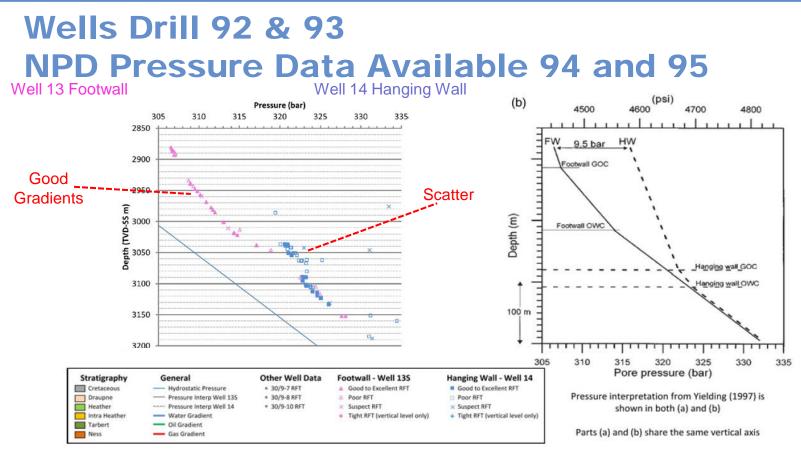
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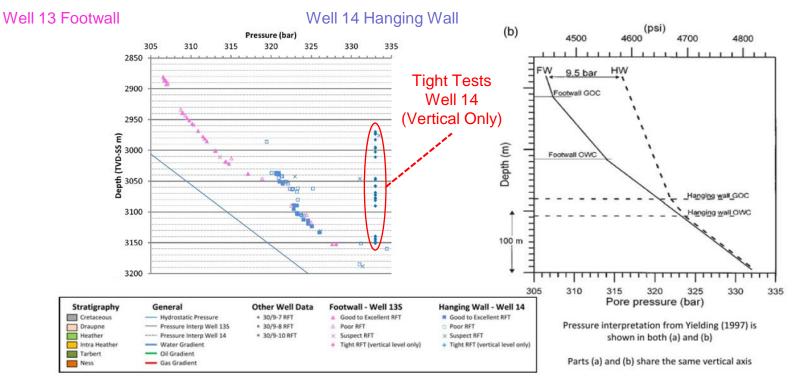
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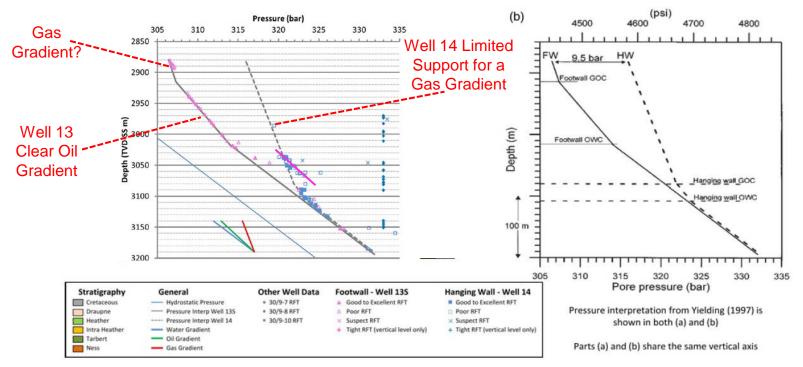


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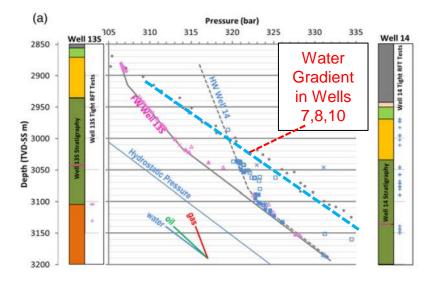


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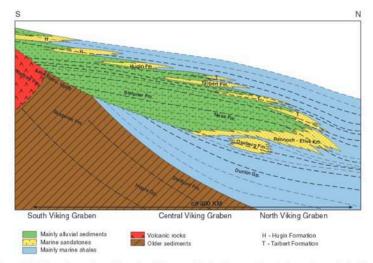
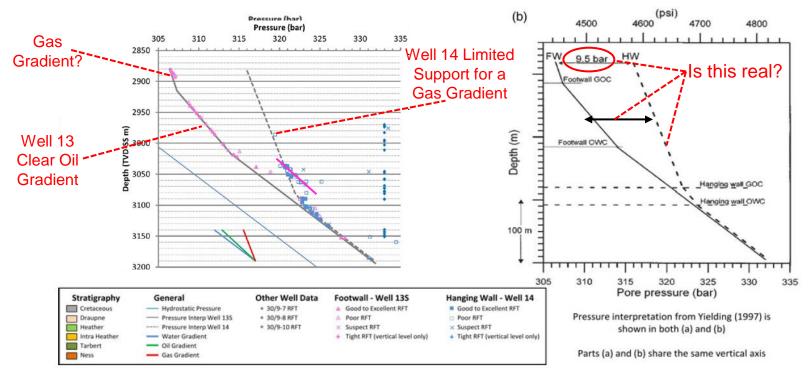


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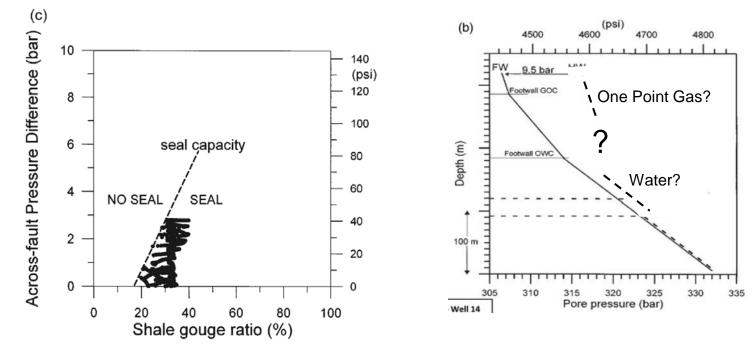


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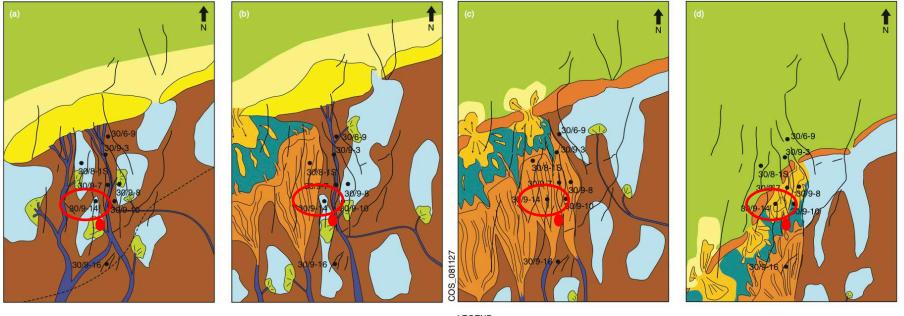


AFPD Calculations





FaultSeal or Stratigraphy





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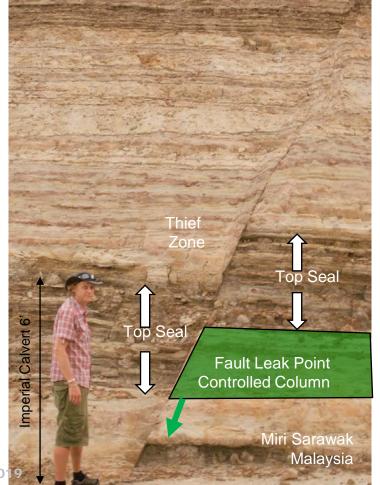


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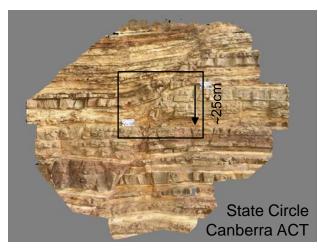
Thought Experiment

- Think of a trap that has:
 - 100Million Barrels of Oil.
 - Trapping 10Million years.
- Fault Trap:
 - 1km long,
 - reservoir 10m thick.
- Juxtaposition area ~1 Hectare (10,000m²)
- Lose 10 barrels /year (1590/year) will drain the field
- Equates to 4.3//ha/day.
- Proponents of membrane seal invoke capillary seal.





Geologic Processes vs Engineer



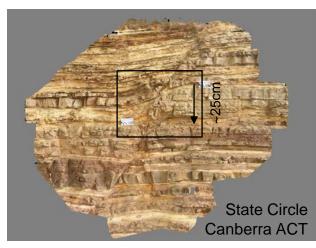
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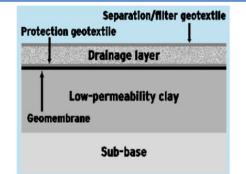


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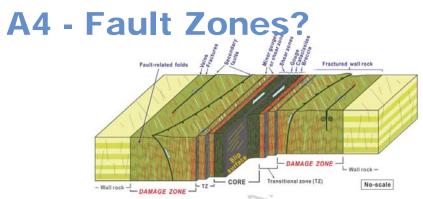


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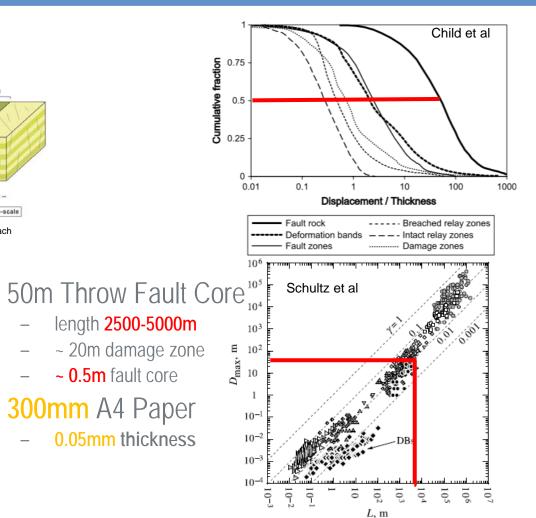


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Definition and classification of fault damage zones: A review and a new methodological approach







Fault Flow

- Connection between two aquifers
 - **2000m** long
 - 20m throw fault along length of the fault.
 - 5m thick aquitard
 - 0.5m Very Thick fault rock (Miri 0-0.17m)
- Across fault area

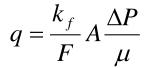
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- Area 20m x 2000m = 40,000m²
- Tk_f 0.5m
- Up fault
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 - Tk_f 5m

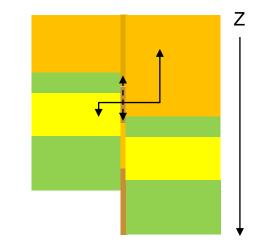
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Fault Length Dominant Term

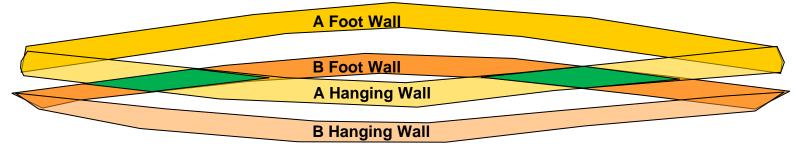






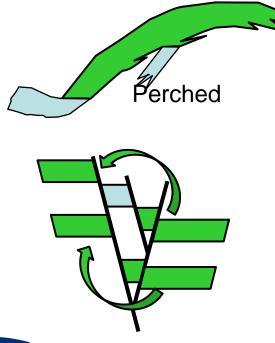
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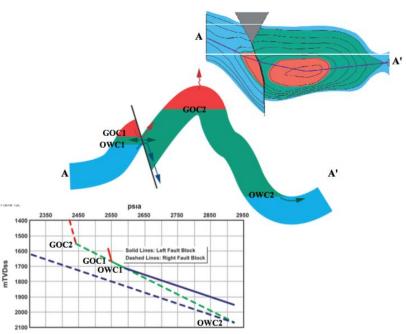
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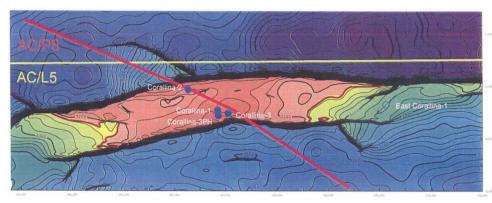


Reservoir Connectivity Analysis Defining Reservoir Connections and Plumbing P. Vrolijk etal 2010





Corallina Timor Sea



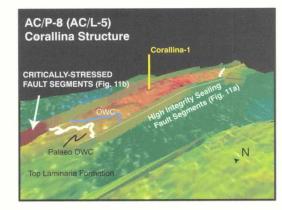
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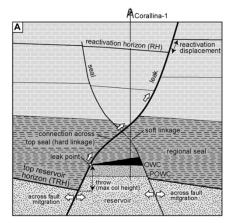
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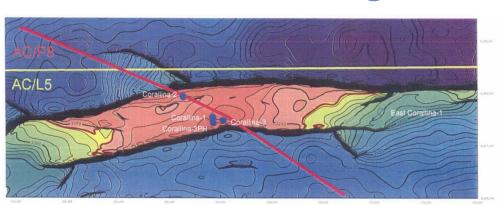
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Castillo et al (2000). Trap integrity in the Laminaria High-Nancar Trough region Ciftci et-al 2010 Time-transgressive fault evolution and its impact on trap integrity: Timor Sea examples Dyt et al 2011

Automating conceptual models to easily assess trap integrity and oil preservation risks associated with fault reactivation

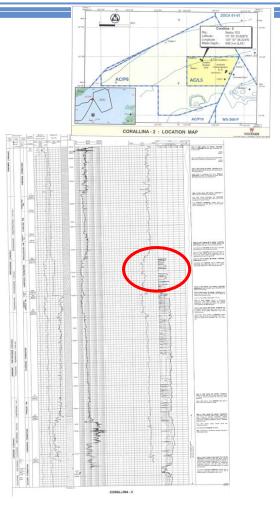




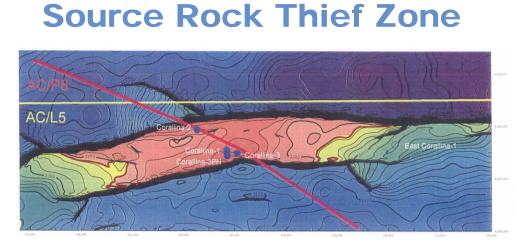
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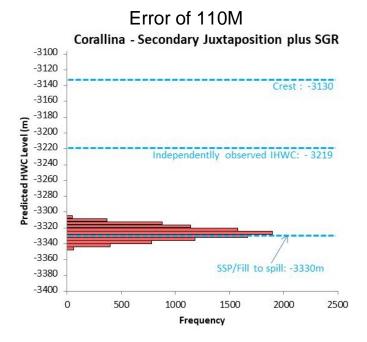
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		Min	Mean	Max	Min	Mean	Max
Prion TO	Seal	400	500	600	5%	15%	30%
Hibernia TE	Seal	300	400	500	5%	15%	30%
Bathurst T	Seal	85	115	140	10%	35%	50%
Jamieson KC	Seal	75	85	95	10%	40%	70%
Darwin NKA	Seal	8	10	12	10%	40%	70%
Echuka KA	Thief	20	25	35	20%	40%	60%
Flamingo-Frigate	Seal	190	215	220	50%	70%	90%
Laminaria JO	Reservoir	110	130	150	10%	20%	30%

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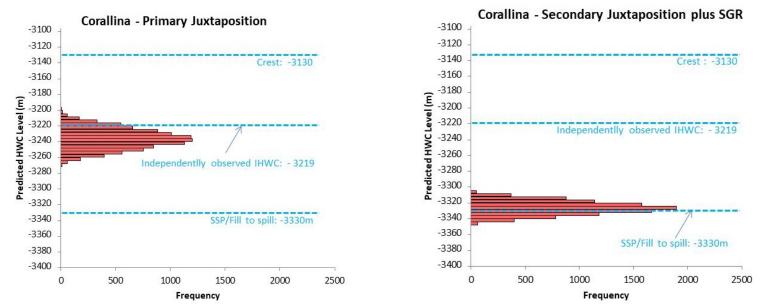
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Juxtaposition Better than SGR

Error of 11.2m

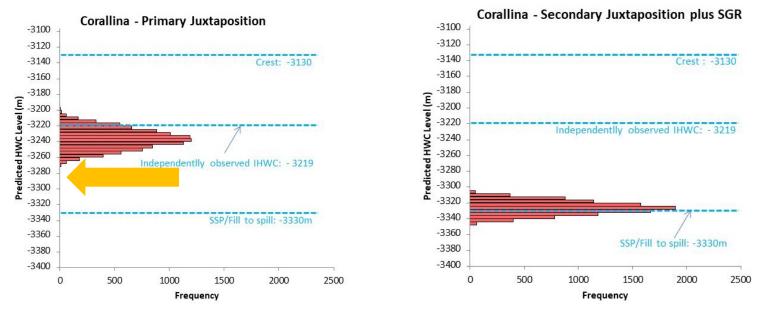


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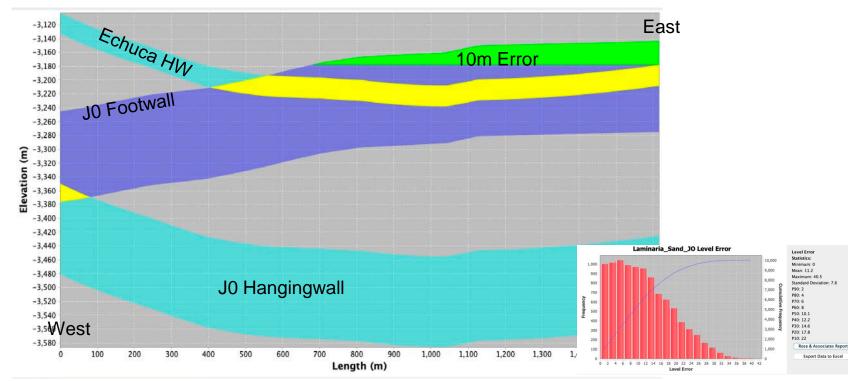


Reactivation leak point error approximately 57 m (de Ruig et al 2000).

Error of 110M



P50 Allan Map South Fault

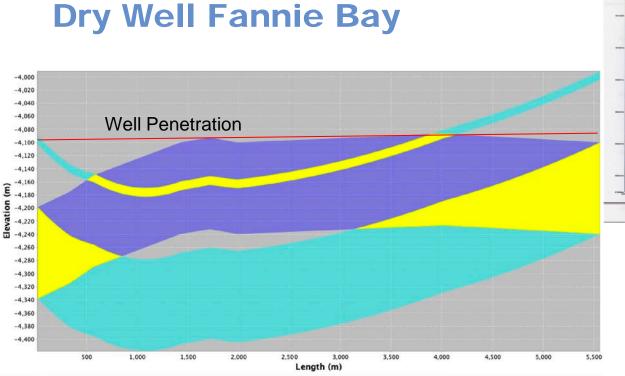


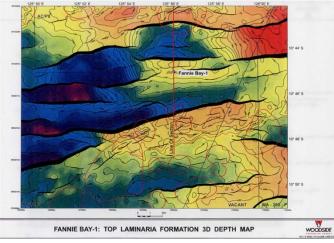


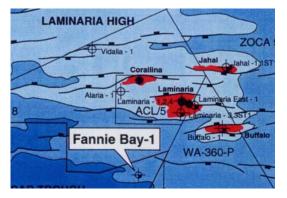
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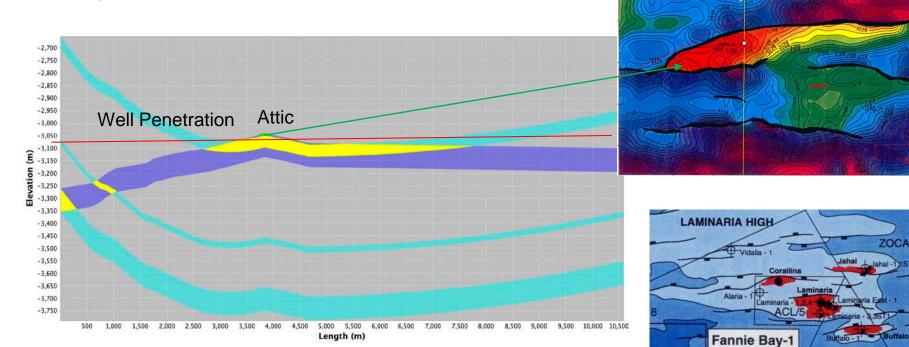












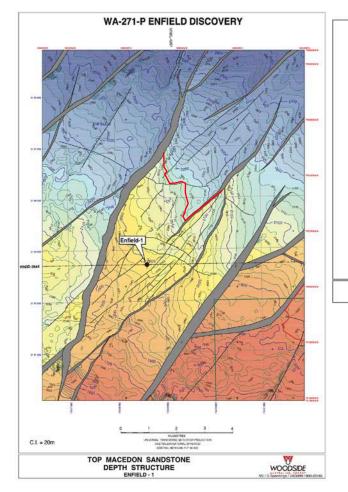
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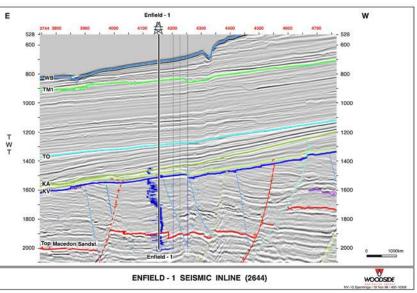




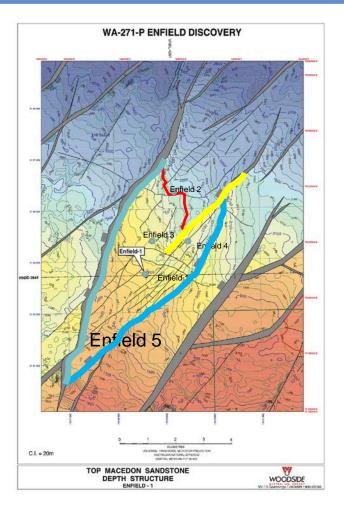


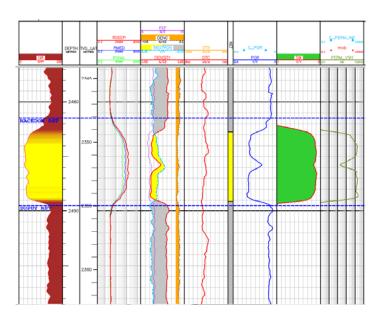
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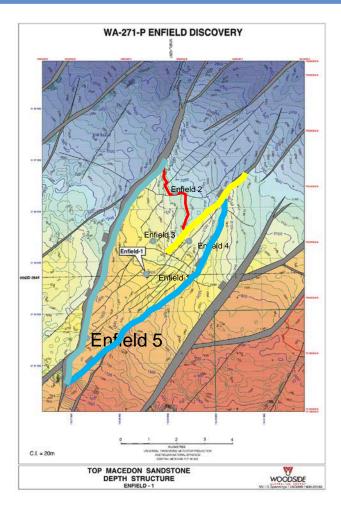


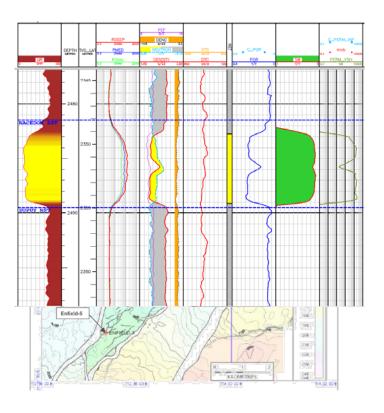




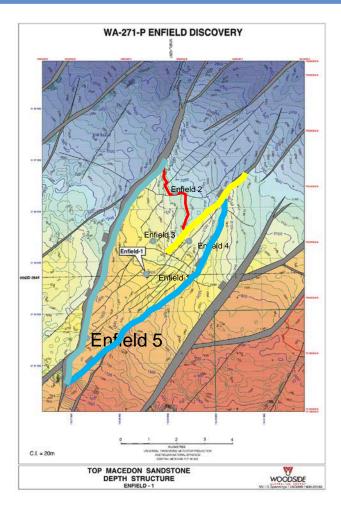


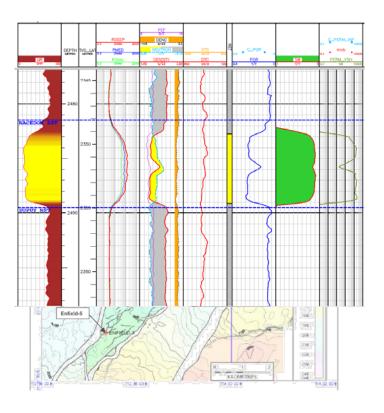




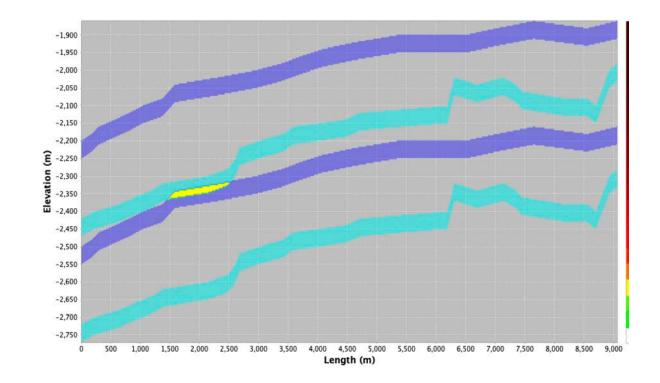














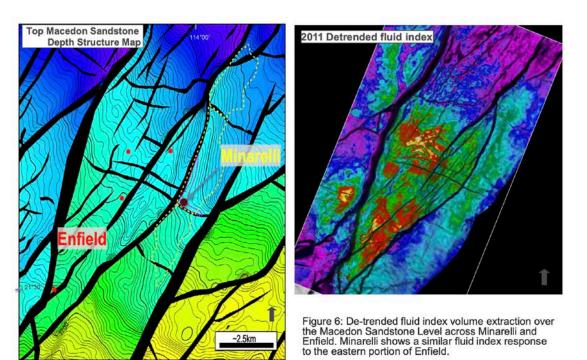




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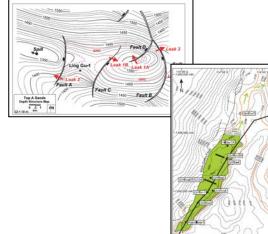
How About All the Literature

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- Only two have sufficient information to apply the stochastic trap analysis
 - James et al (2004) Ling Gu
 - Brincat et al (2006) Griffin

Prediction		Juxtap	osition	SGR		
Error	Reservoir	Mean	Std Dev	Mean	Std Dev	
Gu Ling	A Sand	6.0	6.4	42.0	9.6	
Dory	Leman	13.2	0.3	272.7	42.1	
Bazar	Mirador	9.9	6.2	9.9	6.2	
Minerva	Minerva	16.3	21.0	40.2	36.5	
a Horse	N0-N1	10.1	7.3	26.0	40.2	
	N2_3	3.0	2.2	23.3	50.0	
	N2_6	5.0	4.7	76.0	63.0	
Sea	P1	5.1	3.4	7.6	19.1	
Griffin	Zeepard	8.1	6.5	12.1	12.9	



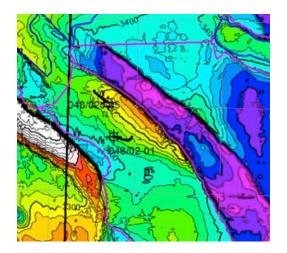


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- A worked example was produced in 2016 on our web site illustrating that juxtaposition produces a very good result
- We are waiting on the current paper to publish a reply to Bretan 2017

Juxtaposition Error -Premier Map 4.4m -E.EoN Map 6.4m





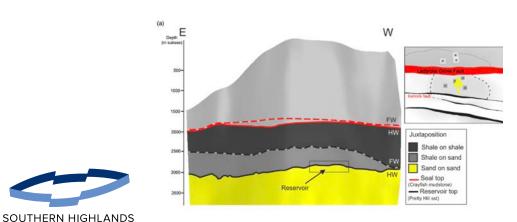


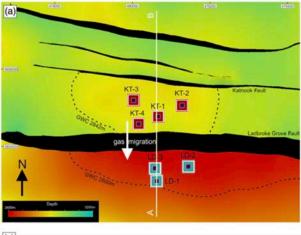
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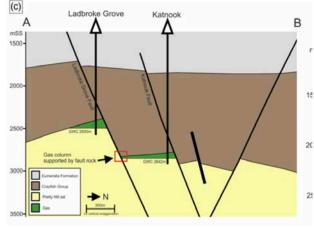
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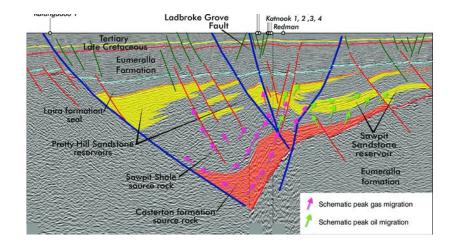




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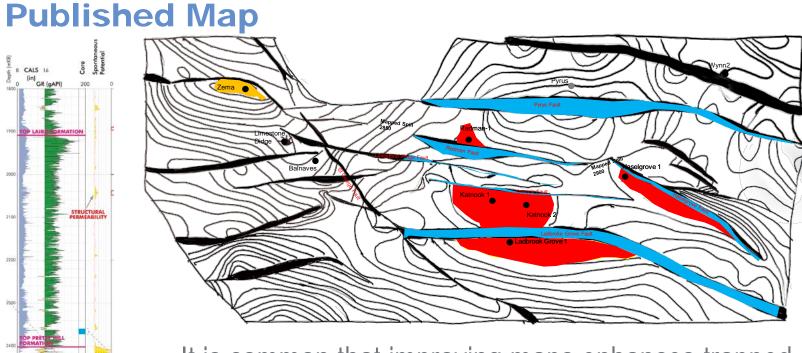
Katnook Field Fault Seal

- Series of fault bounded gas fields in the Pretty Hill Sandstone.
- Thick Laira formation acts as a top seal.
- Significant thickness changes across a series of growth faults.

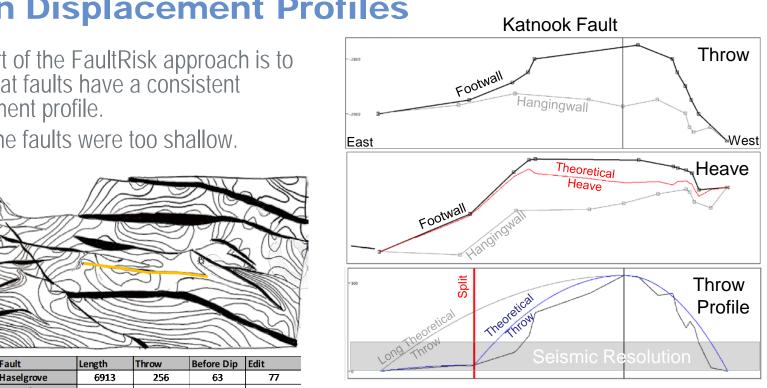


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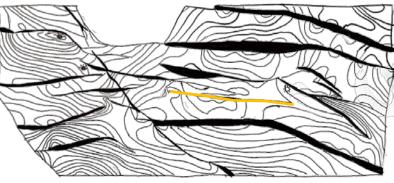
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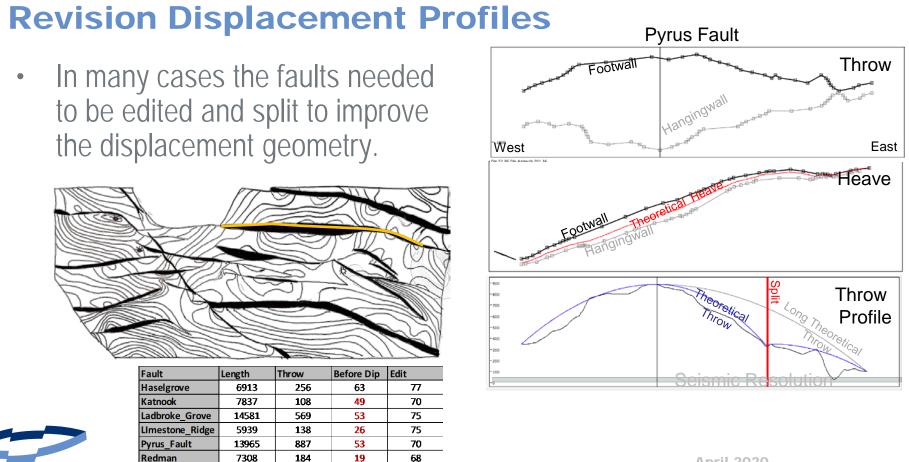


- A key part of the FaultRisk approach is to ensure that faults have a consistent ۲ displacement profile.
- Most of the faults were too shallow.



Fault	Length	Throw	Before Dip	Edit
Haselgrove	6913	256	63	77
Katnook	7837	108	49	70
Ladbroke_Grove	14581	569	53	75
LImestone_Ridge	5939	138	26	75
Pyrus_Fault	13965	887	53	70
Redman	7308	184	19	68
Zema	8881	225	56	70





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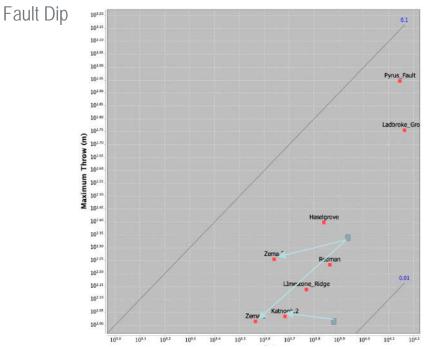
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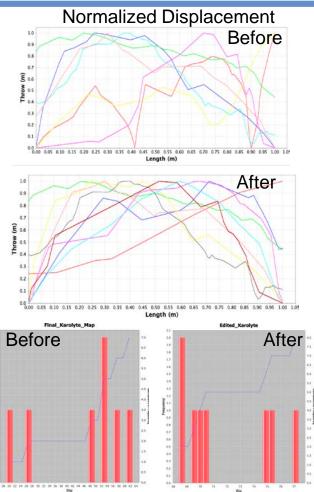
Revision Displacement Profiles

- Revision of the fault profiles improves
 - Length throw ratio

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- Displacement Profiles





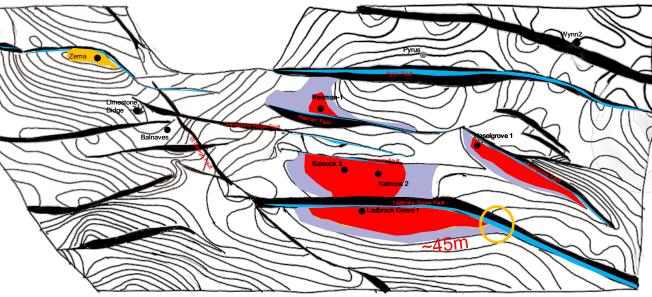


Opportunity to Improve Volumes Pyrus Balnave

- It is common that improving maps enhances trapped area and thus gross rock volumes.
- With very large heave errors modification of the map may be necessary.



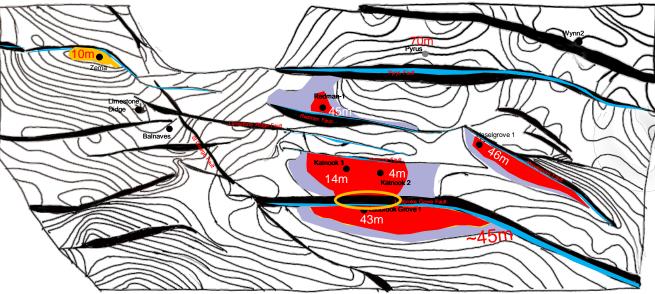




- Boult et al 2005 stated that Ladbroke Grove and Haselgrove are both filled to spill.
- The recent paper suggested that the structures were underfilled (Purple).
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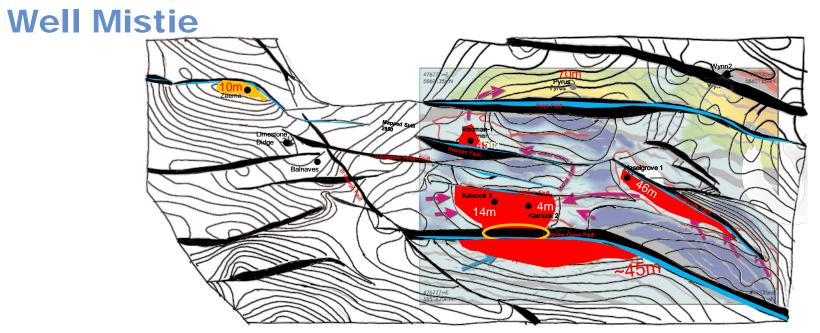


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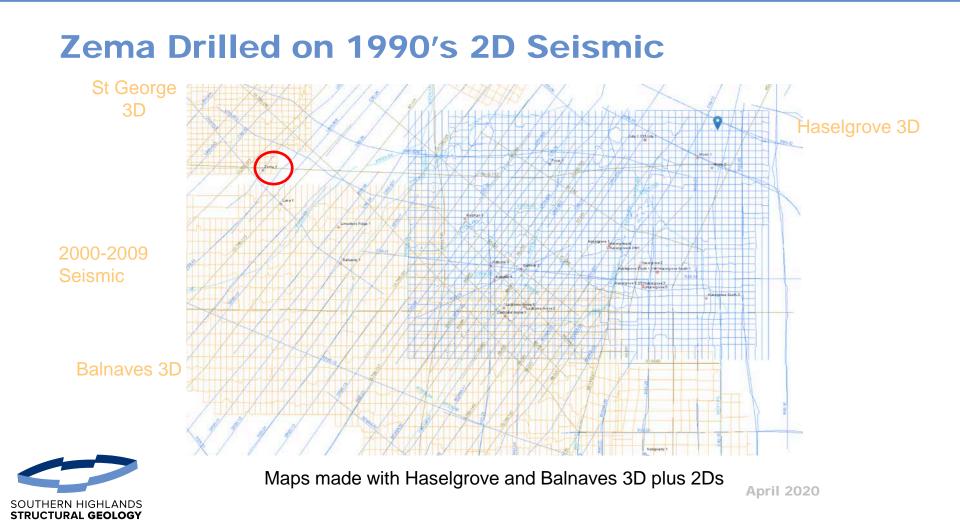
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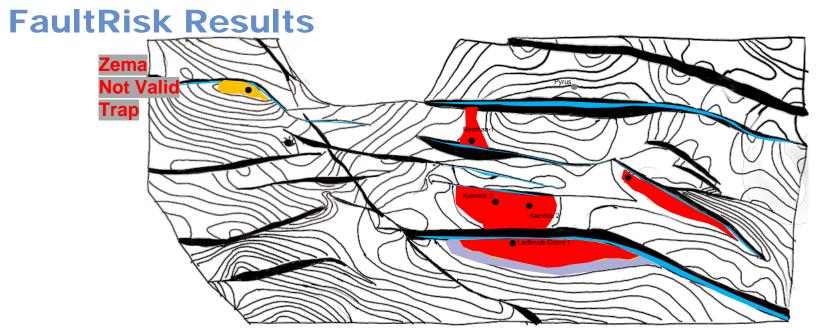




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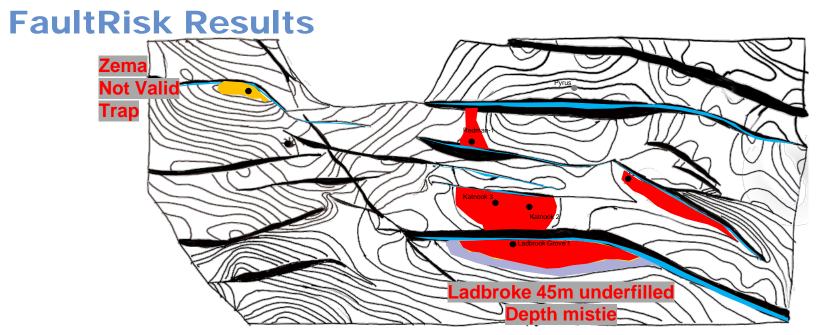






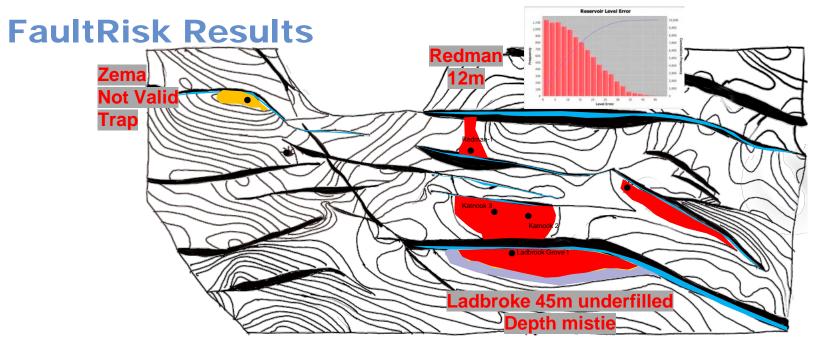
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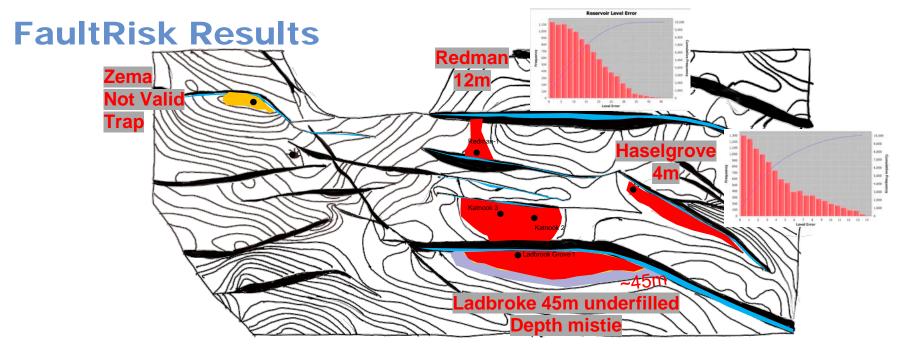
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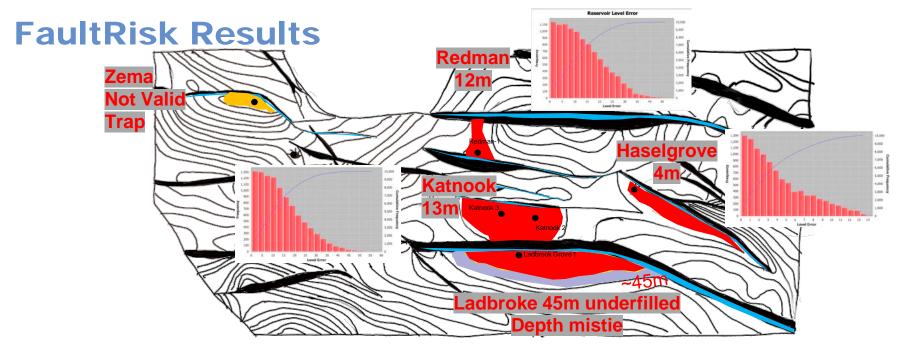
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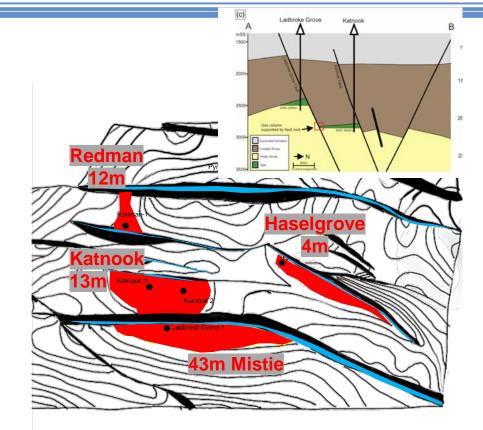


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Summary

- Good geology can improve field volumes.
- Juxtaposition leakage explains
 - Redman mean 12m error 8.6Stdev
 - Hazelgrove mean 3.9m error 3.2Stdev
 - Katnook mean 13.2m error 9.7Stdev
 - Ladbroke Grove underfilled due to mapping error
- Its vital to get depth conversion right,
- Map need to tie the wells.
- Doing fault and trap analysis means sweating the little things.





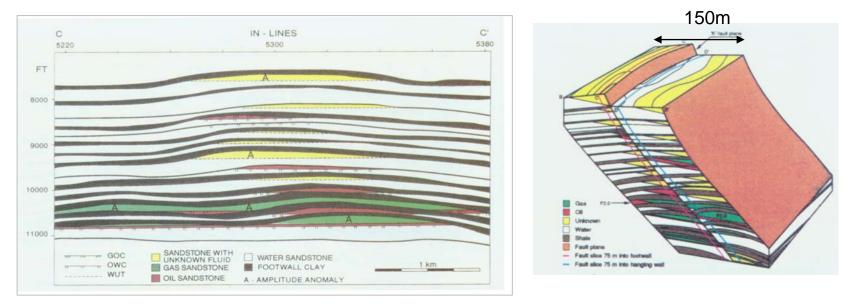


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Shell Nun River

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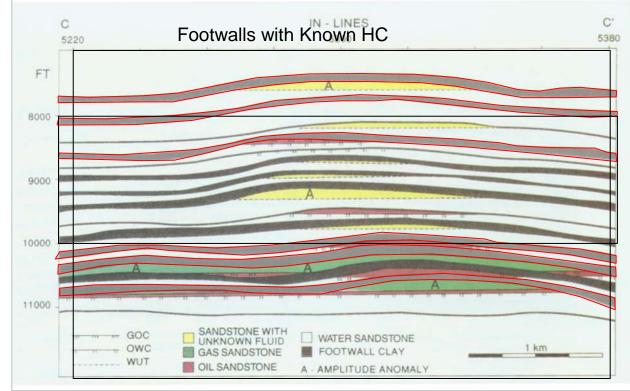
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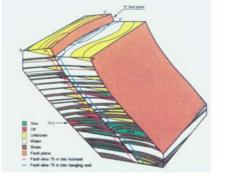


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Bouvier 1989 Inherent Uncertainties

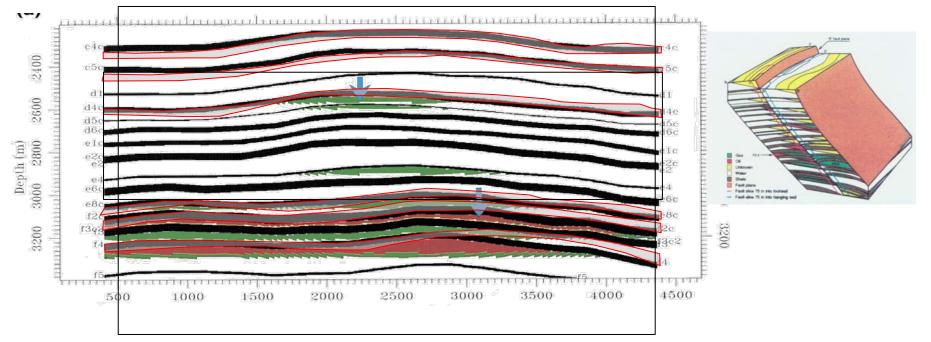




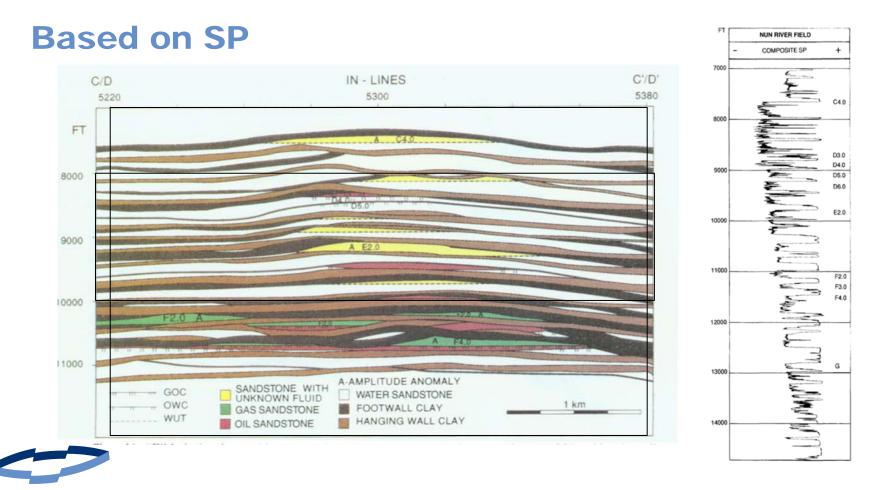


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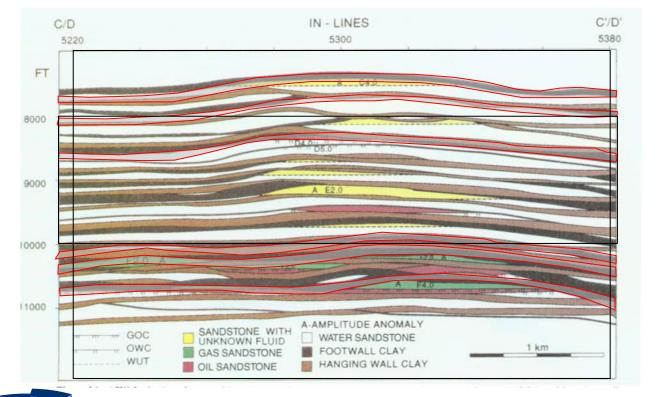


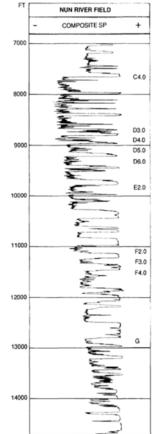




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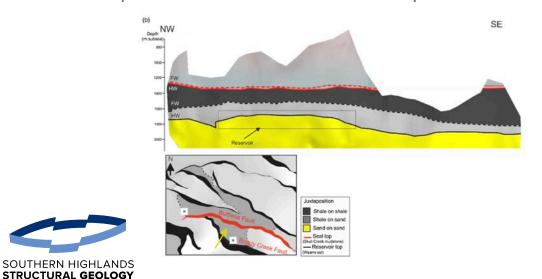


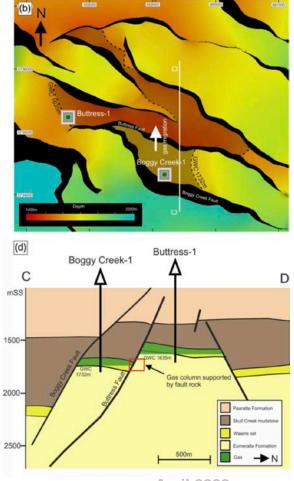
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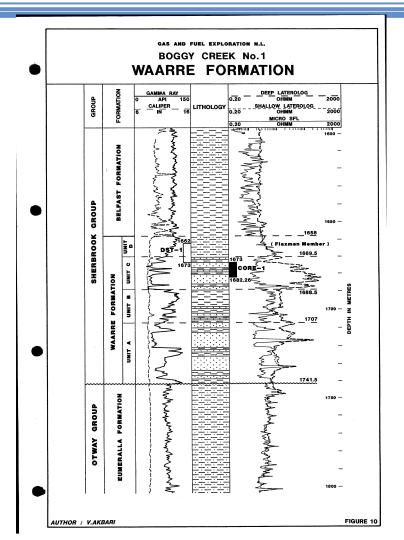




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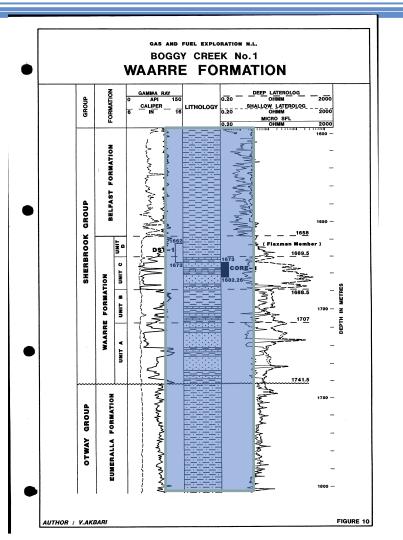
- The Boggy Creek well
 completion report well log
 shows;
- An 83m thick Warre formation and 159m intersection with the Eumeralla Formation





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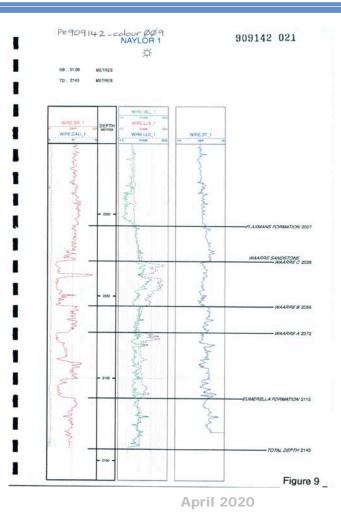
- A quick and simple review of the lithology, gamma ray (GR) and latralog shows
- The Eumarella formation has a high GR and very little mud fluid infiltration.
- Based on the logs presented that Eumarella would appear to be a base seal to the Warrre formation.





Naylor Field

- The Naylor 1 well is provided in the in the Santos Buttress Creek well proposal.
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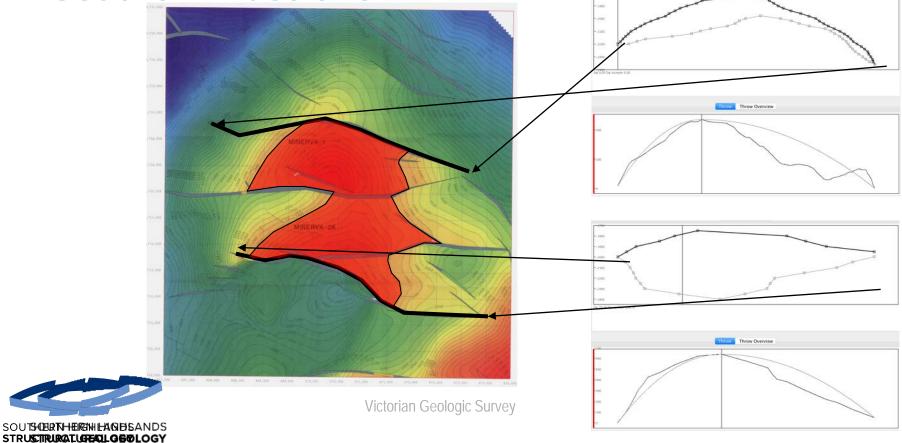




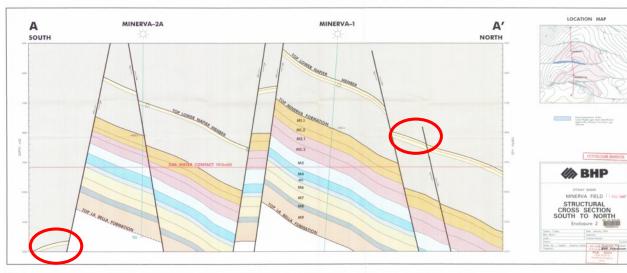


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Example 4 Minerva Field Otway Basin Victoria Southern Australia



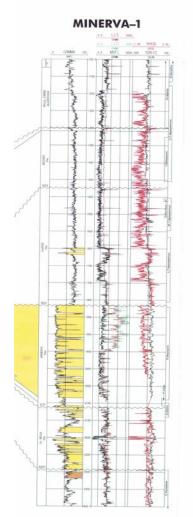




Victorian Geologic Survey

Layer	Foot Wall Type	Thickness	VShale	
Napier_Thief	Thief	[Δ] 20.0 m	[Δ]20.0 %	
Napier_Seal	Seal	[Δ] 150.0 m	[Δ] 90.0 %	
Minerva_Formation	Reservoir	[Δ] 300.0 m	[Δ] 30.0 %	
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Bimodal Error P50 9.7m

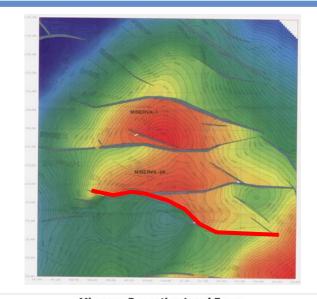
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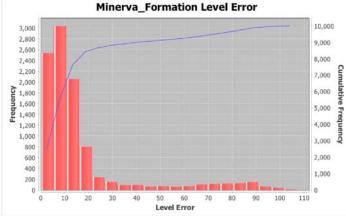
JUXTAPOSITION :

- Total Trapped Column: Mean 111 m, Standard Deviation21 m
 - Level: Mean -1931 m, Standard Deviation 21 m
 - GWC Error mean 16.3 Standard Deviation 21m

SGR :

- Total Trapped Column: Mean 157.6 m, Standard Deviation 71.1 m
 - Level: Mean -1977.6 m, Standard Deviation 71.1 m
 - GWC Error Mean 63 Standard Deviating 70m

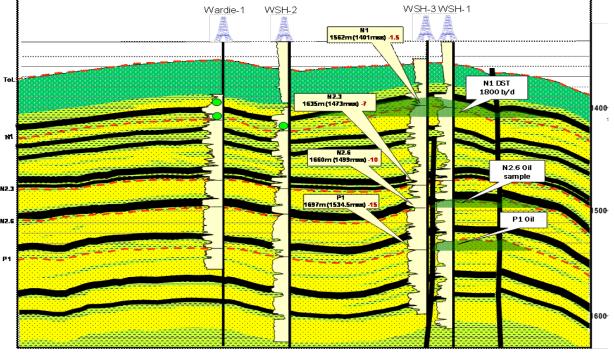






Example 5: West Sea Horse Gippsland Basin SE Australia

Name	Туре	Thickness Distribution			1
		Min	Most Likely	Max	NM.
NO-N1	Reservoir	15	31	50	I
Top_N2_Coal_Seal	Seal	4	8	12	I
N2_2	Reservoir	18	22	26	N2.3
N2_3_Coal	Seal	4	8	12	
N2_3	Reservoir	9	14	22	I
N2_6_Coal	Seal-Reference	6	10	14	N2.6
N2_6	Reservoir	17	22	31	I
P1_Coal	Seal	4	8	12	I _{P1}
P1	Reservoir	22	40	48	["

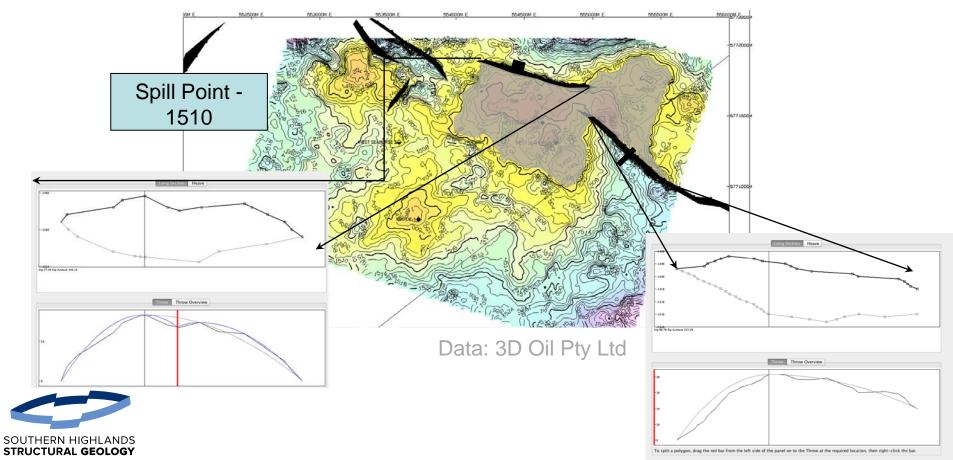


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Crest -1486

West Sea Horse Data



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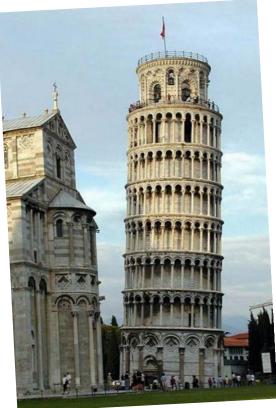
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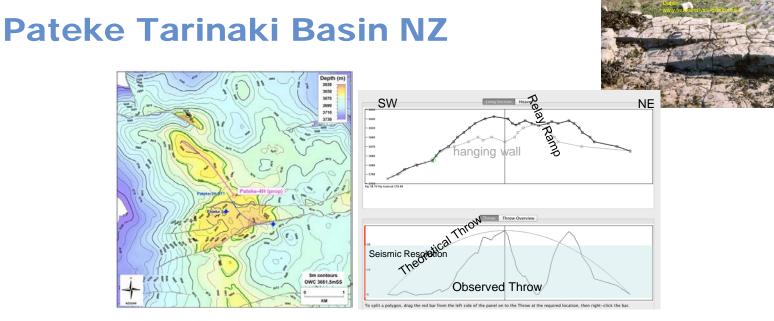
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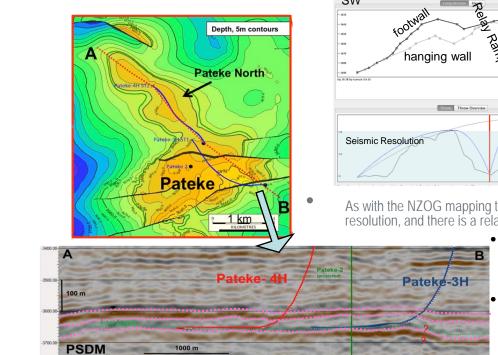


- The NZOG map shows an anomalous fault throw profile:
 - The fault has no throw to the West and very small throw at the Eastern end
 - Most importantly, there is no throw near the crest of the structure where the fault changes strike
- This reduction in throw in the center of the fault is commonly seen in Relay Ramps, as illustrated by the photography from Fault Analysis Group, Dublin, website.



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Data: Pateke Field from Pan Pacific Mapping



Fault is not Field Limit

SW NE Ramp

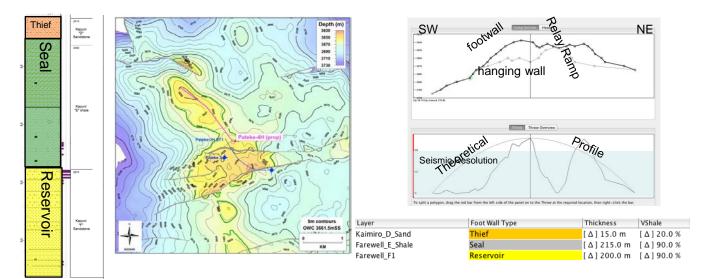
As with the NZOG mapping the throws are less than seismic resolution, and there is a relay ramp near the Crest.

- Looking at this image of the seismic, and annotating Zero Phase, it is hard to see the fault.
- Rather, it appears to be a Monocline and therefore not a field limiting Feature.



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Data: Pateke from NZOG



Using the NZOG mapping, a highly optimistic FaultRisk model was defined, ignoring the relay ramp and assuming the Theoretical Profile.

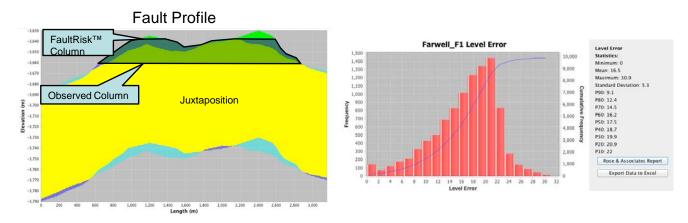
A stratigraphic template was defined based on the Pateke 2 Vertical well.

FaultRisk was run in calibration mode such that for each of the 10,000 realizations, the Juxtaposition and SGR leak points were compared with the observed Free water level at -2660.



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Results: FaultRisk[™] Allan Map & Results



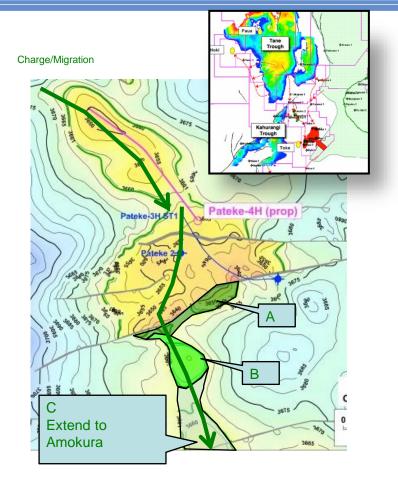
- FaultRisk analysis of the South bounding fault show that it can not be the field limiting feature.
- The Juxtaposition leak point to the south is a mean 17.5m structurally higher than the observed OWC.
- As can be seen in the Allan Map, the FaultRisk columns are insignificant compared to the Observed column.
- Given that this was an optimistic model ignoring the relay ramp, the simplest solution is that the accumulation is limited to the south by some other feature to the south.



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FaultRisk™ Results

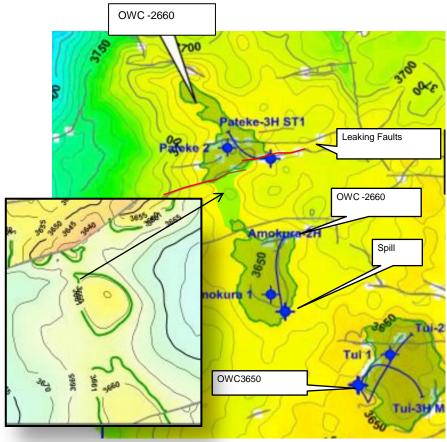
- Three Scenarios for fill are shown as A, B, or C.
- The up-dip Tui & Amokura fields are filled to spill.
- Given the modest size of this structure it is most likely that it is not charge limited, and filled to spill.
- Further, the published GNS basin models (Sykes & Funnell 2013) show fill spill migration of hydrocarbons from the Tane Trough through Pateke-Amokura-Tui to the giant Maui Field.





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Results Link Pateke-Amokura Fields



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