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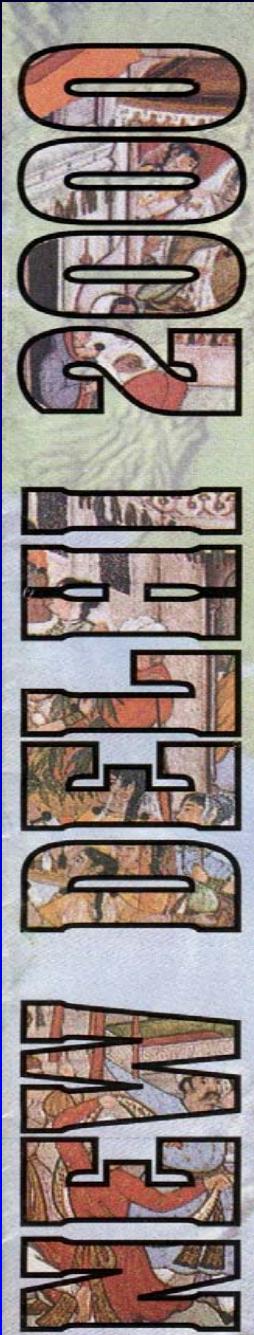
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# Borehole Electromagnetics

## Theory & Applications

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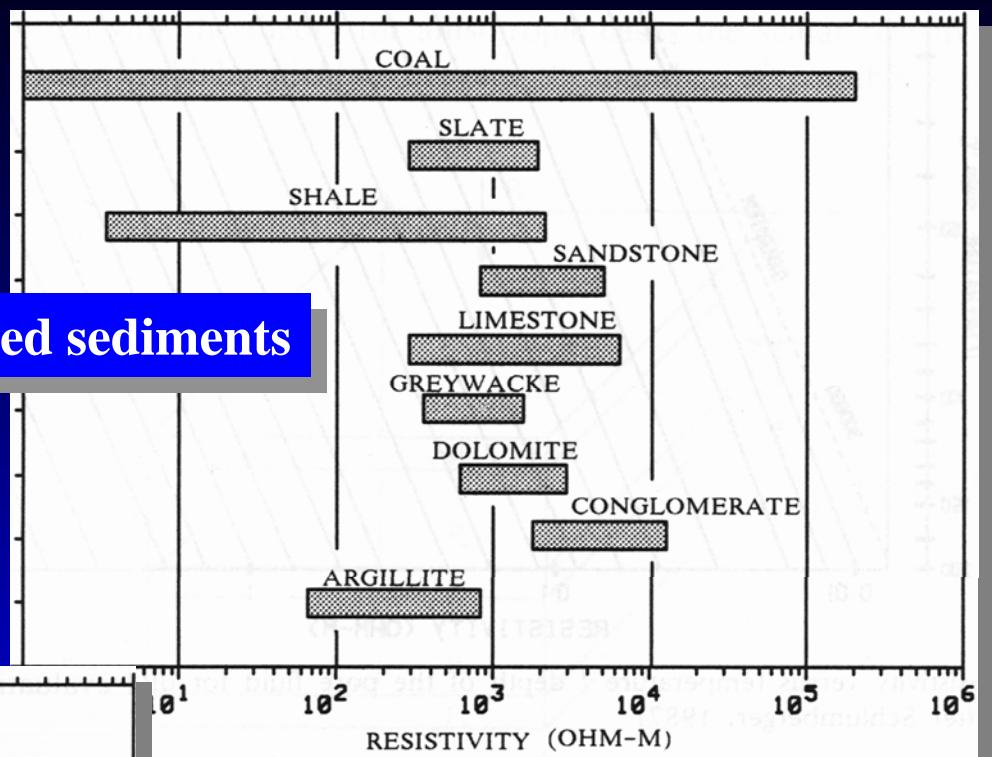
# Importance of borehole EM

- Resistivity dependence on  $\Phi$  &  $S_w$  high
- Scaling to reservoir scales
- Signal comes from conductivity contrasts
- Crosswell seismic sensitivity & scale comparable
- Excellent for OWC detection
- Routine log measurement

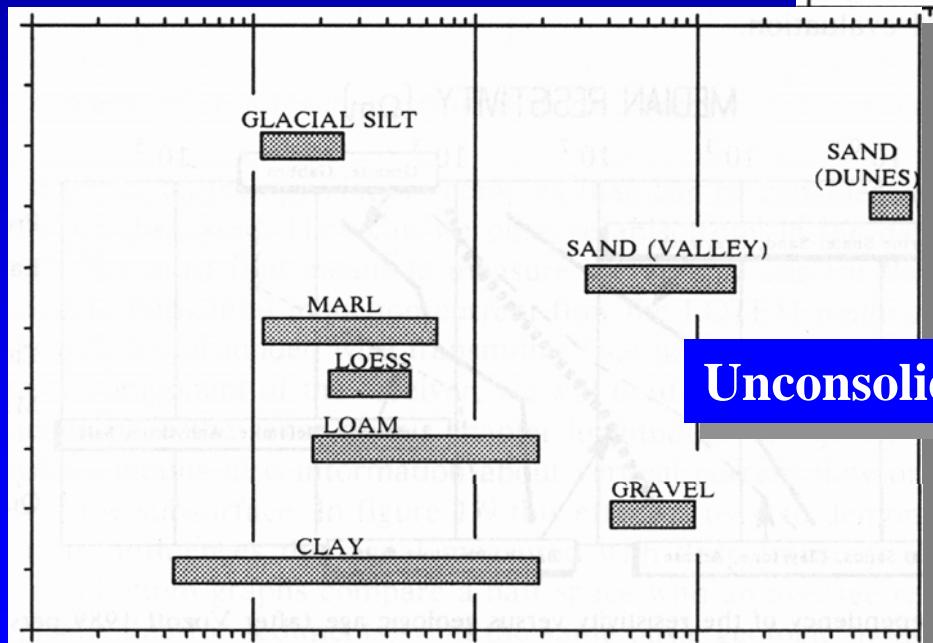
# Resistivity Ranges

Consolidated sediments

Wide ranges =  
fine parameter distinction

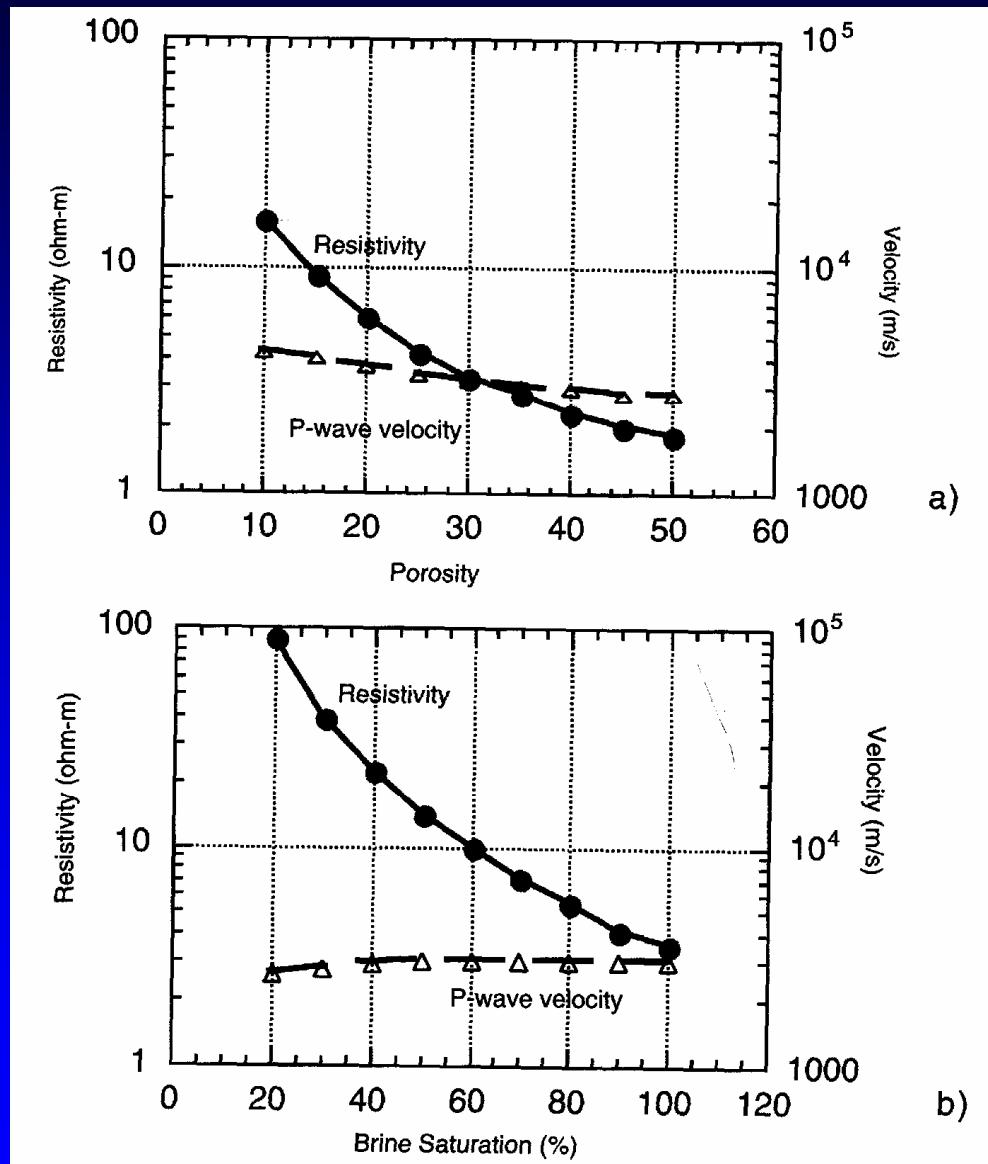


Unconsolidated sediments

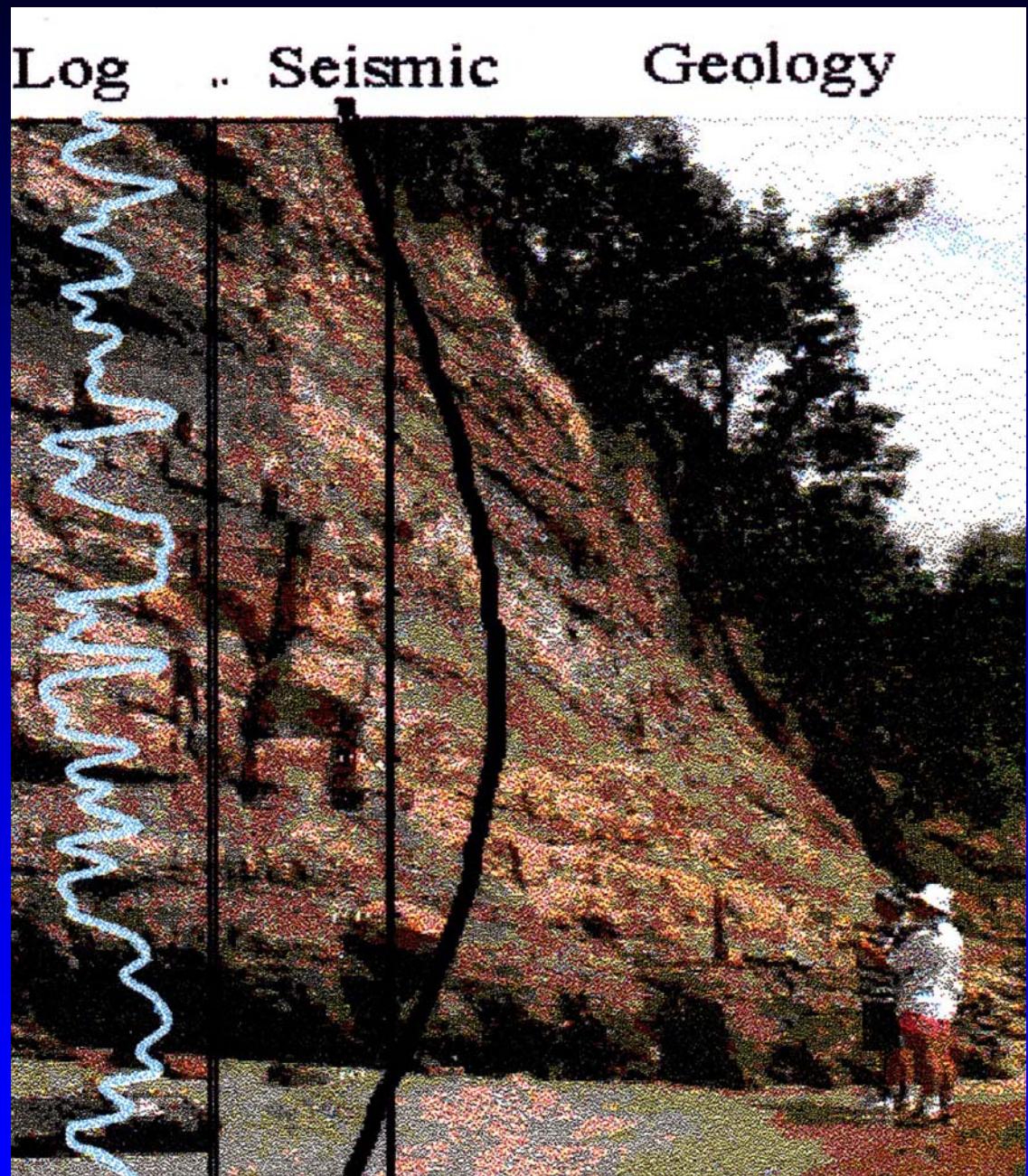


# Resistivity & velocity versus porosity brine saturation temperature

After Wilt & Alumbaugh , 1998



# The scale issue



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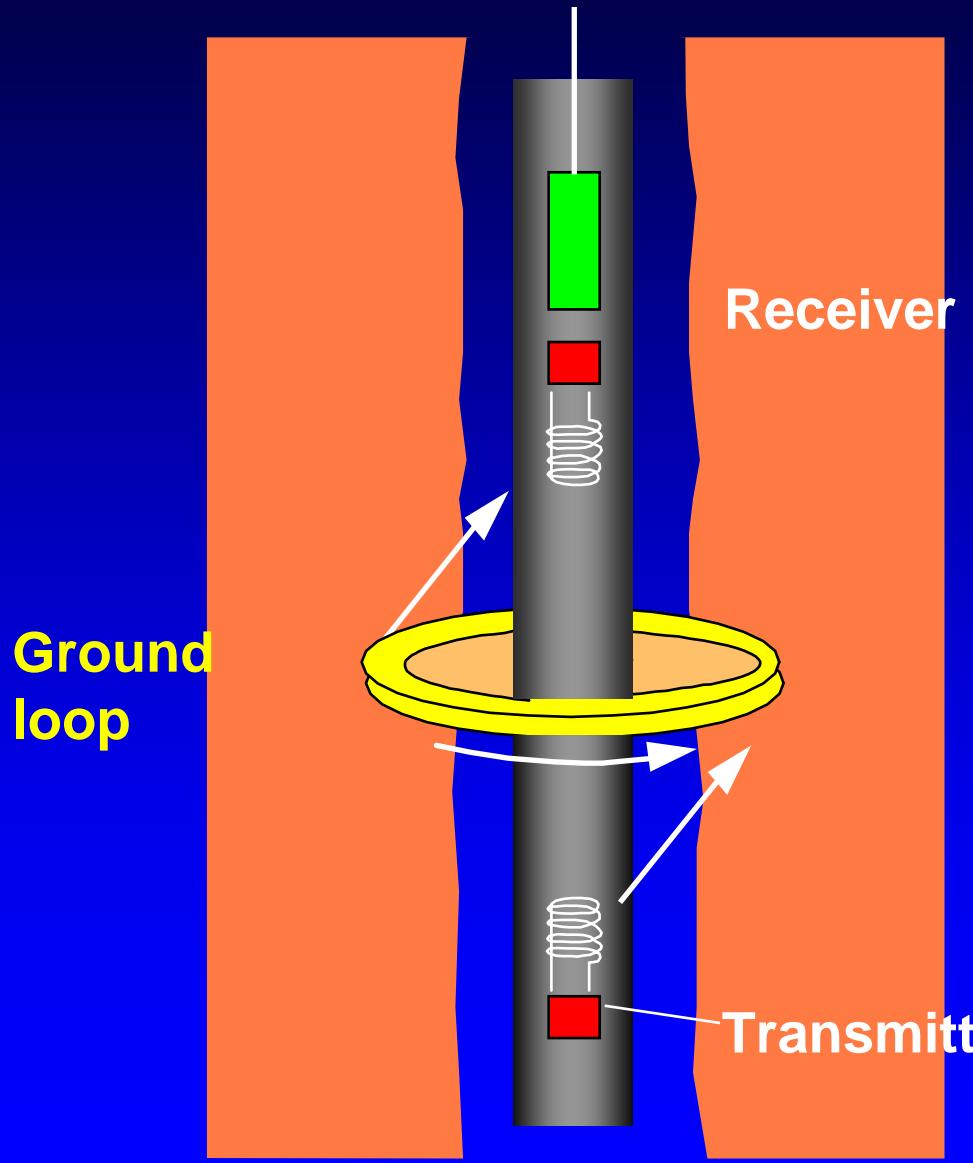
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# The methods

- Classical borehole measurements
  - ☒ induction log commercial
  - ☒ array induction commercial
- Special applications
  - ☒ Deep Logging R&D
  - ☒ Cross well commercial trials
  - ☒ Single well R&D

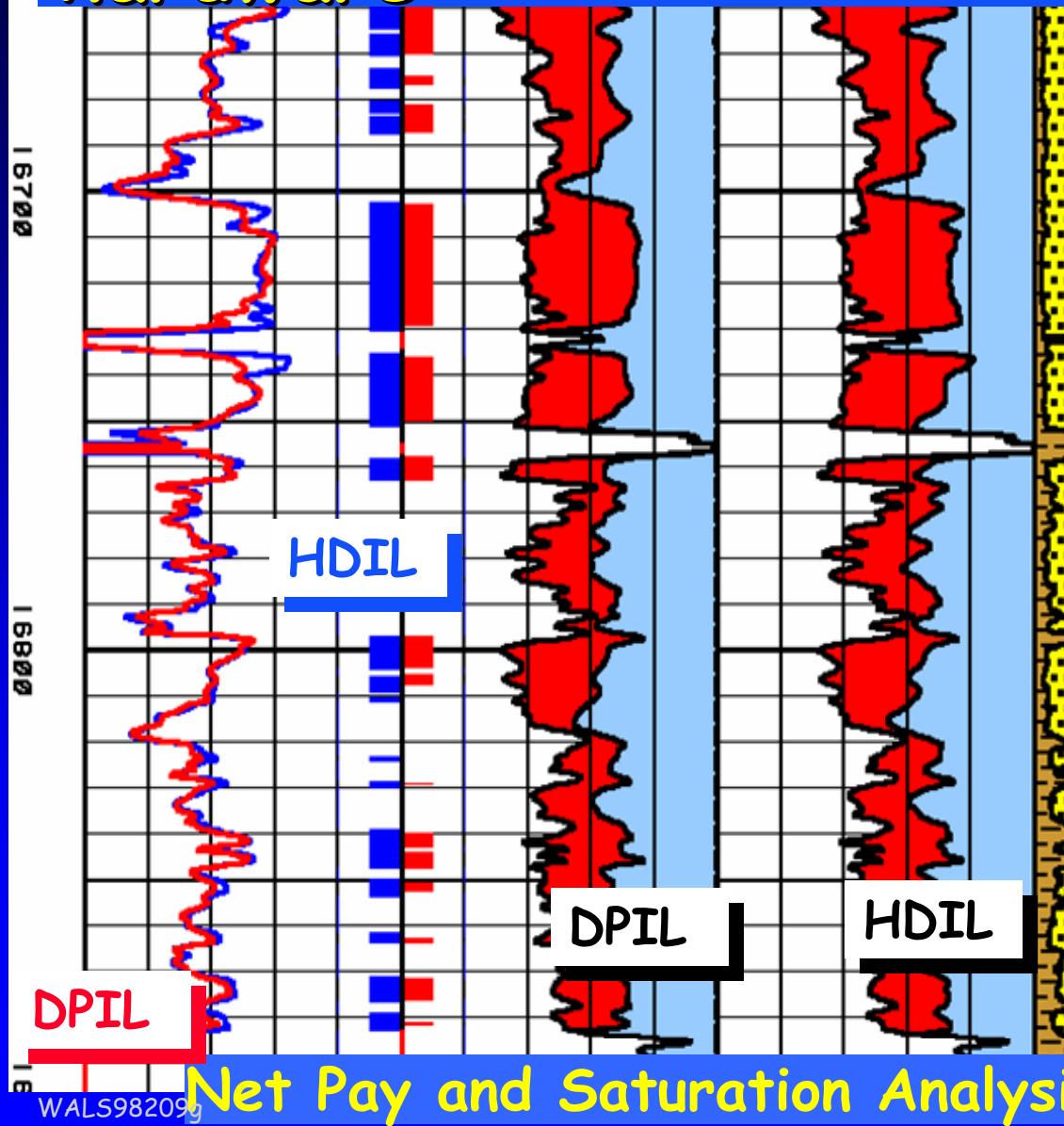
# Induction log principle



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# Step change through hardware

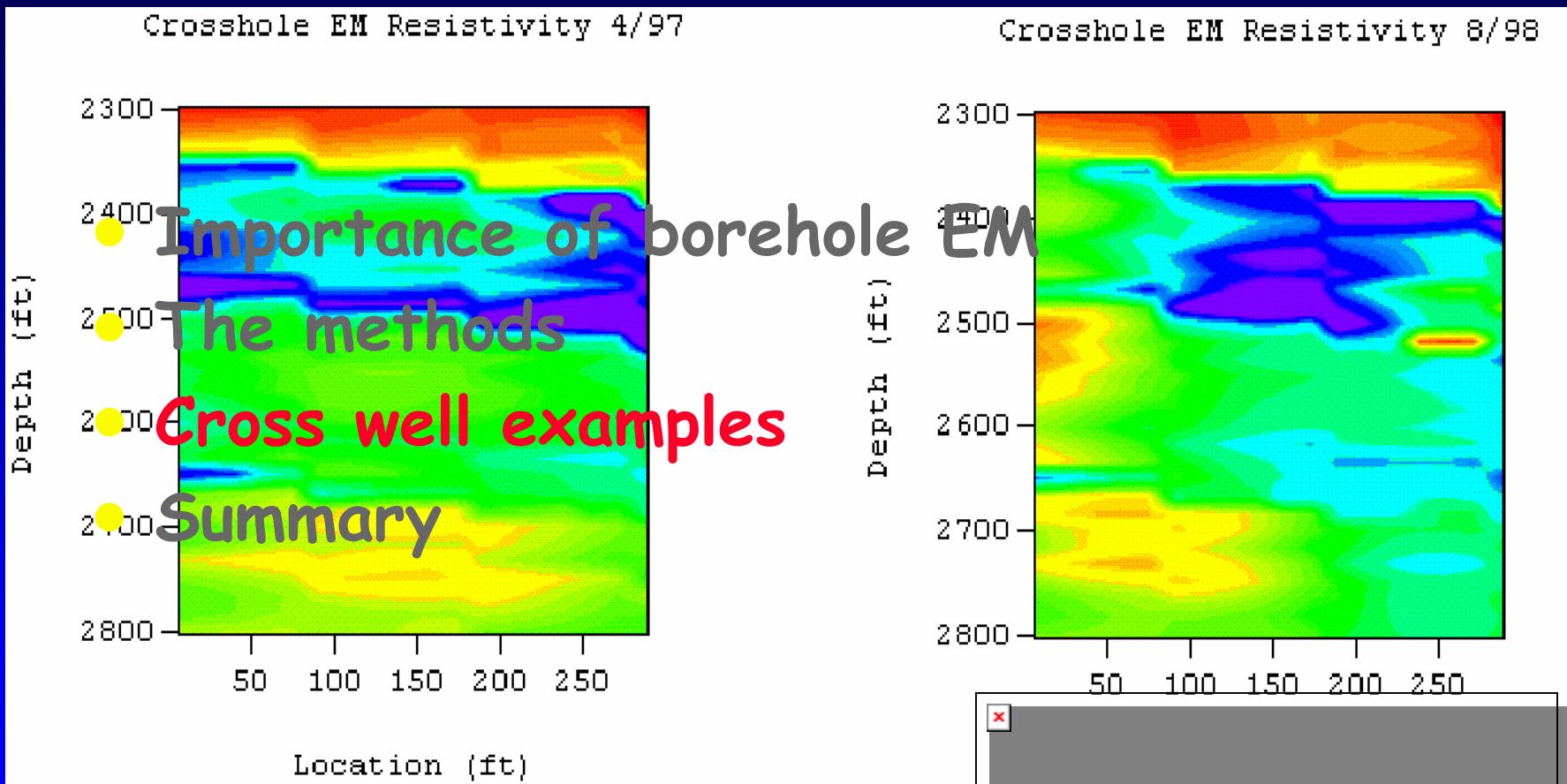


Reserves estimate  
DPIL vs. HDIL

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

HDIL data allowed 24%  
more OIIP be booked.

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Cross-well time lapse measurements

Courtesy of EMI Inc.

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# Single Hole Systems of EMI

- MFT250 - mining
  - ☒ Single sensor 3 component HF tool
- MAIL Tool - geothermal
  - ☒ Multiple sensor 3 component tool
- VEMP Tool - mining
  - ☒ 3 component surface to borehole system
- Geo-Bilt (2000- 2001)

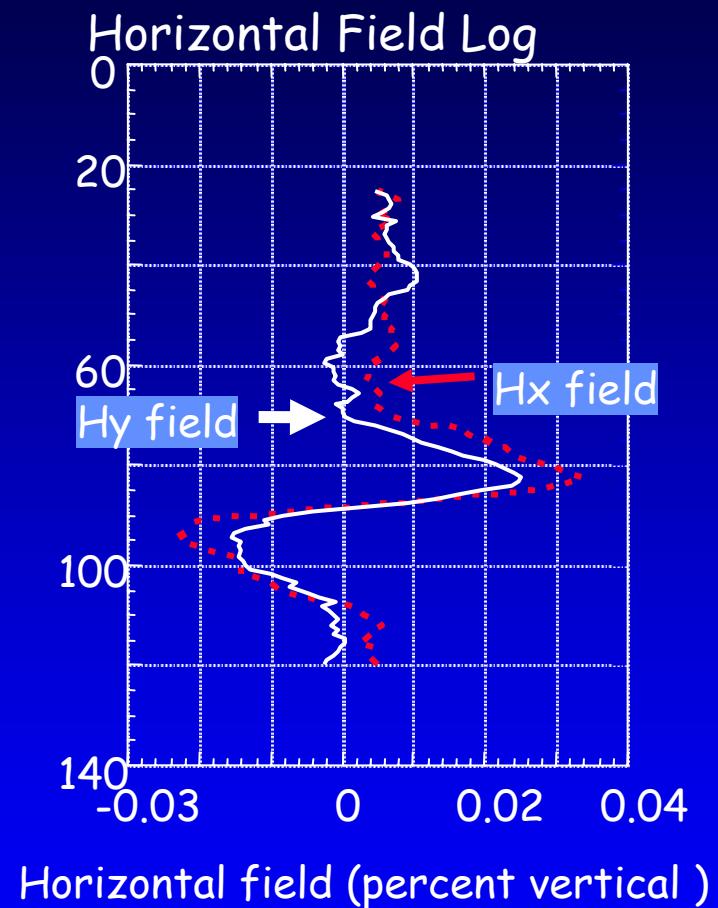
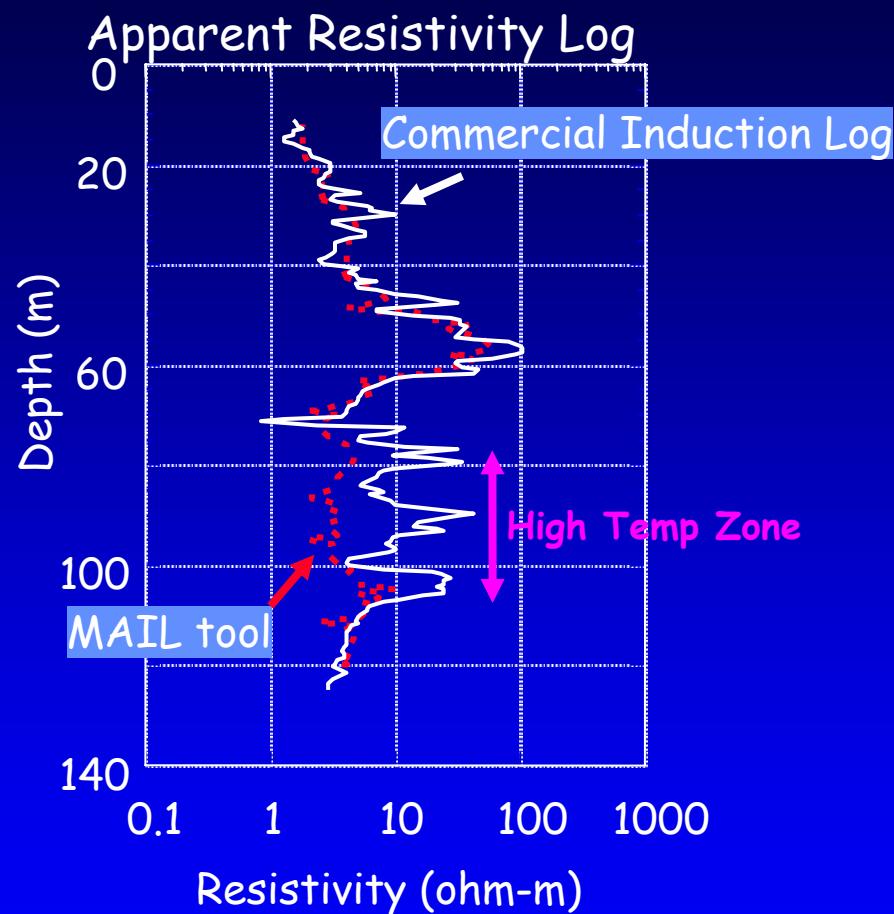


# Raising the MAIL Tool in Japan

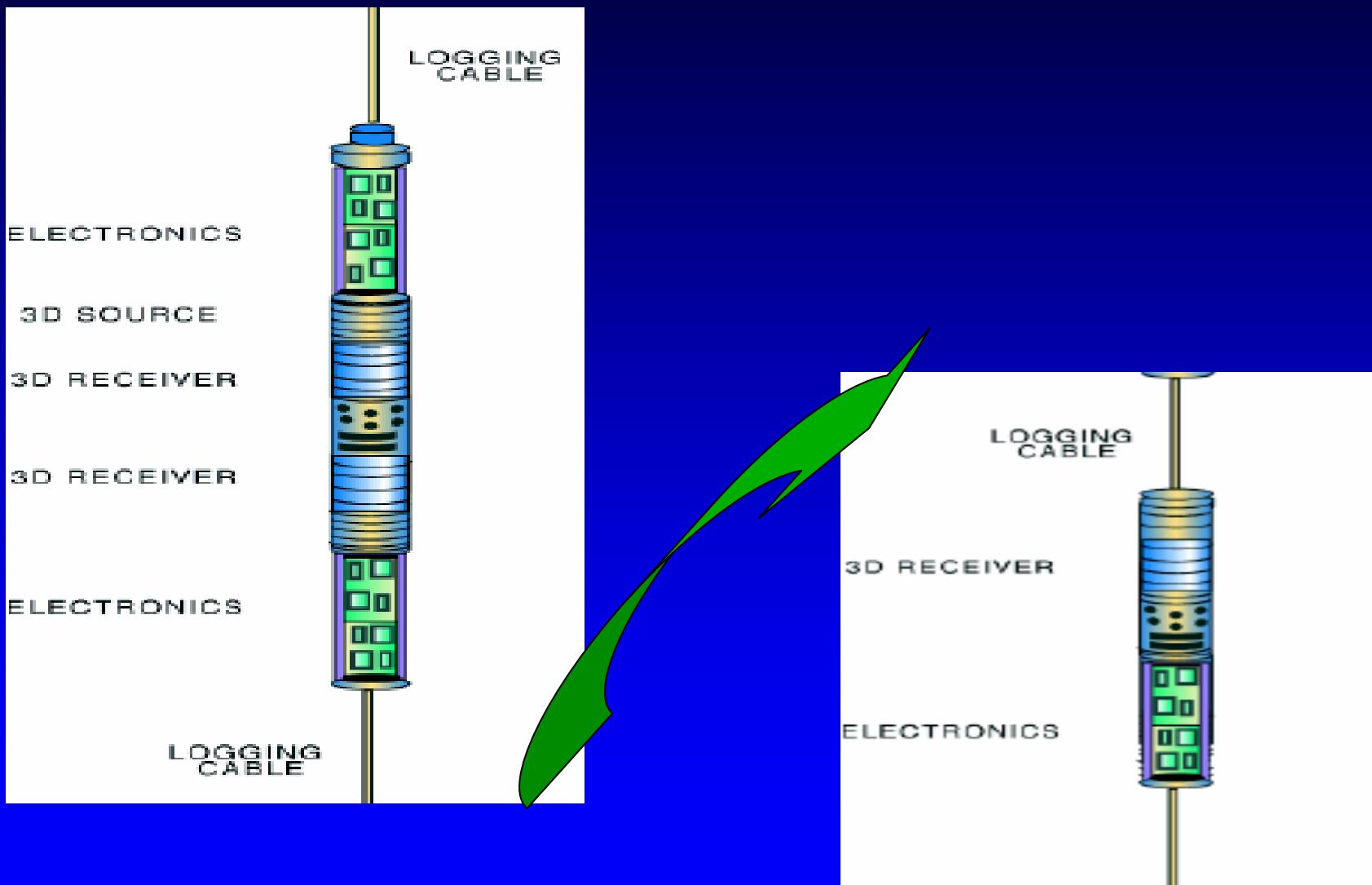
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# MAIL results: well DRL61w (0 on section)



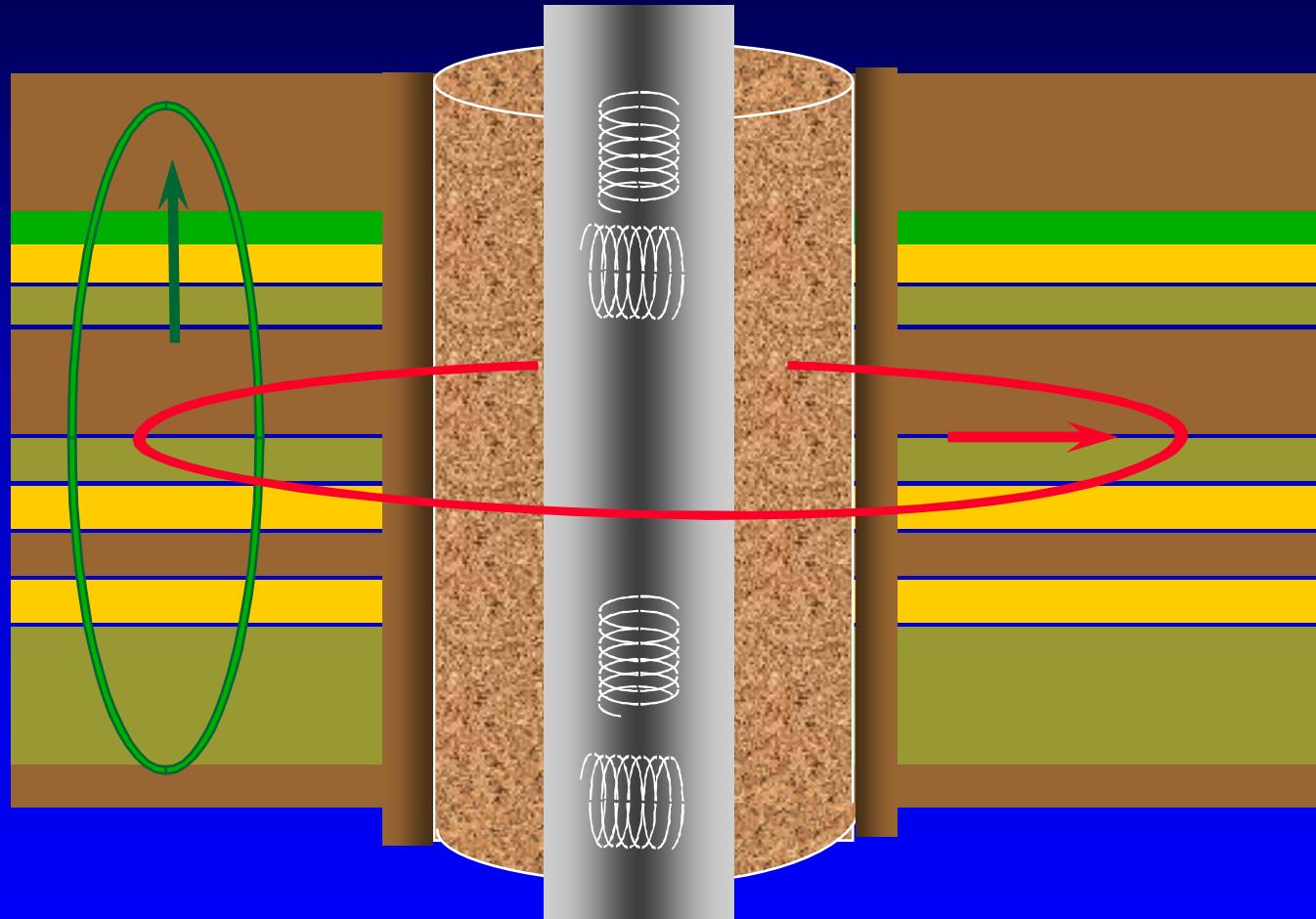
# Geo-Bilt building blocks



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# Geo-Bilt tool physics



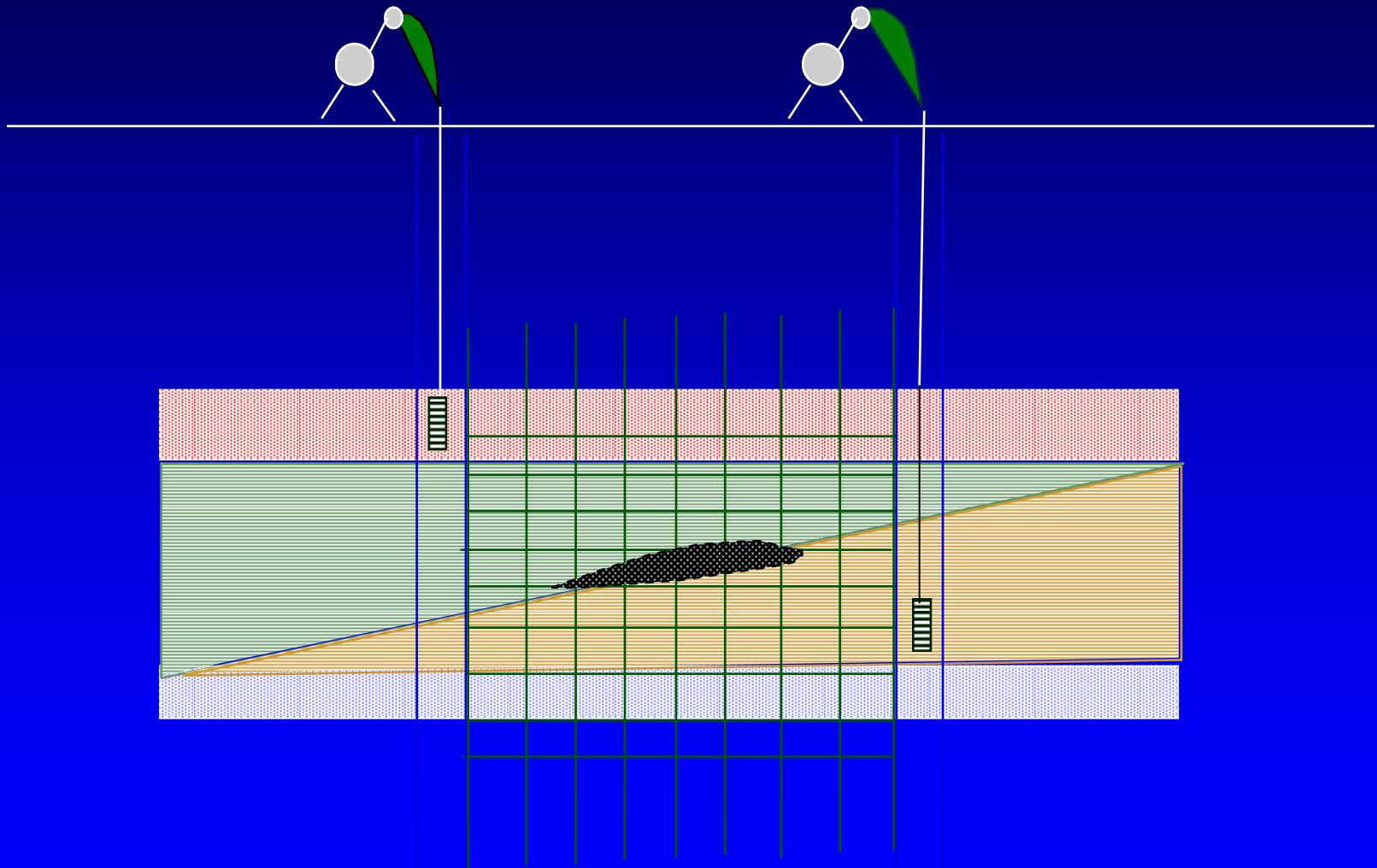
MAIL needs dipping beds or anisotropy

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# Crosshole EM

- 1990: LLNL, LBL, and EMI, developed first low frequency crosswell EM System
- Designed to be a 2-D to 3-D extension of EM induction logs; complementary to crosswell seismic logging

# Conductivity tomography



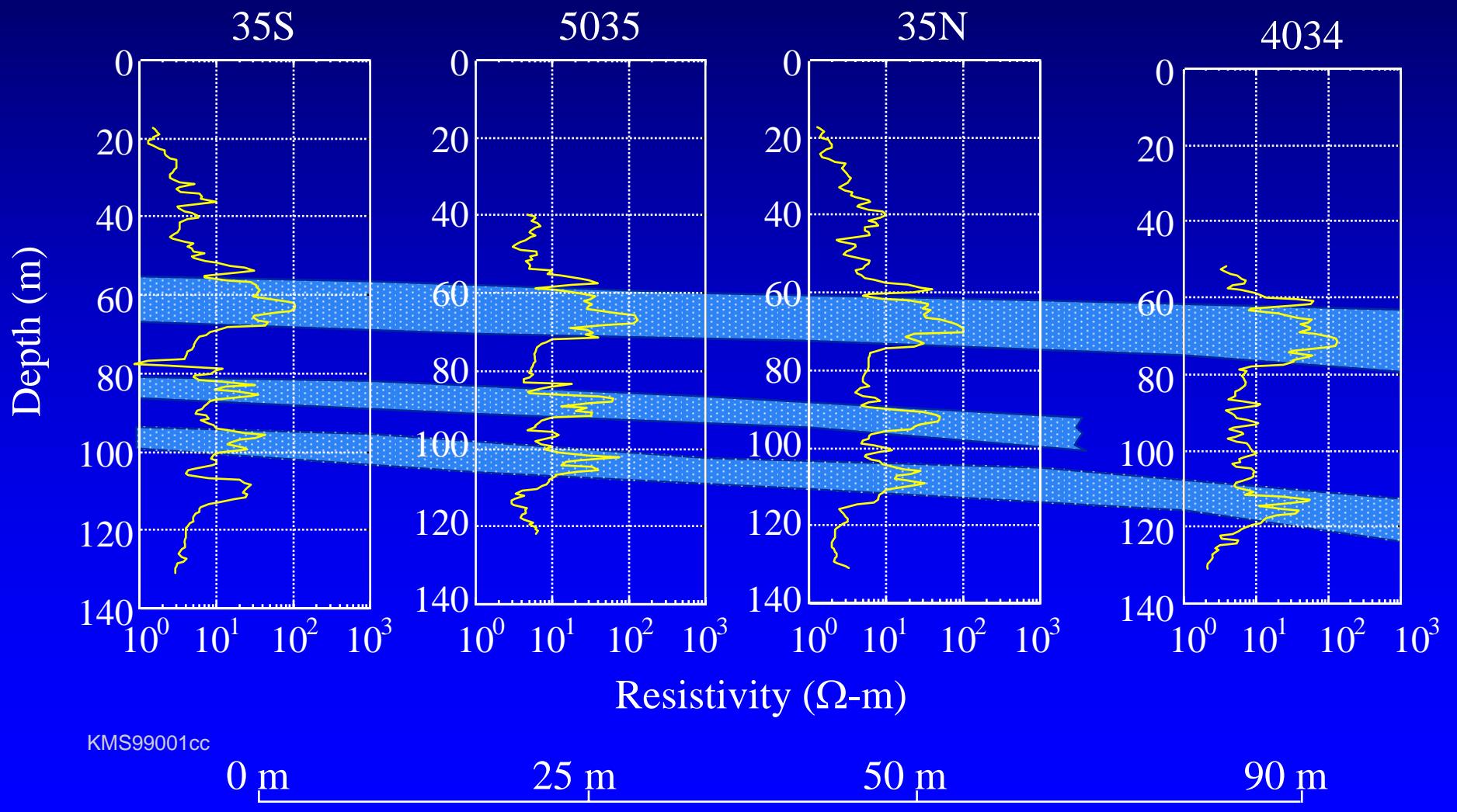
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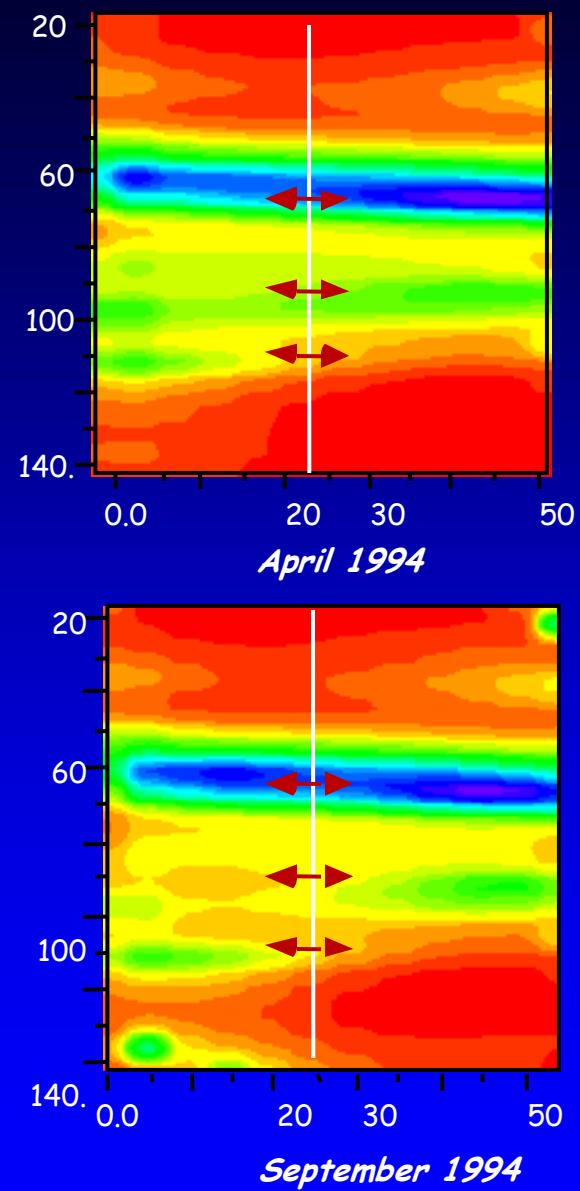
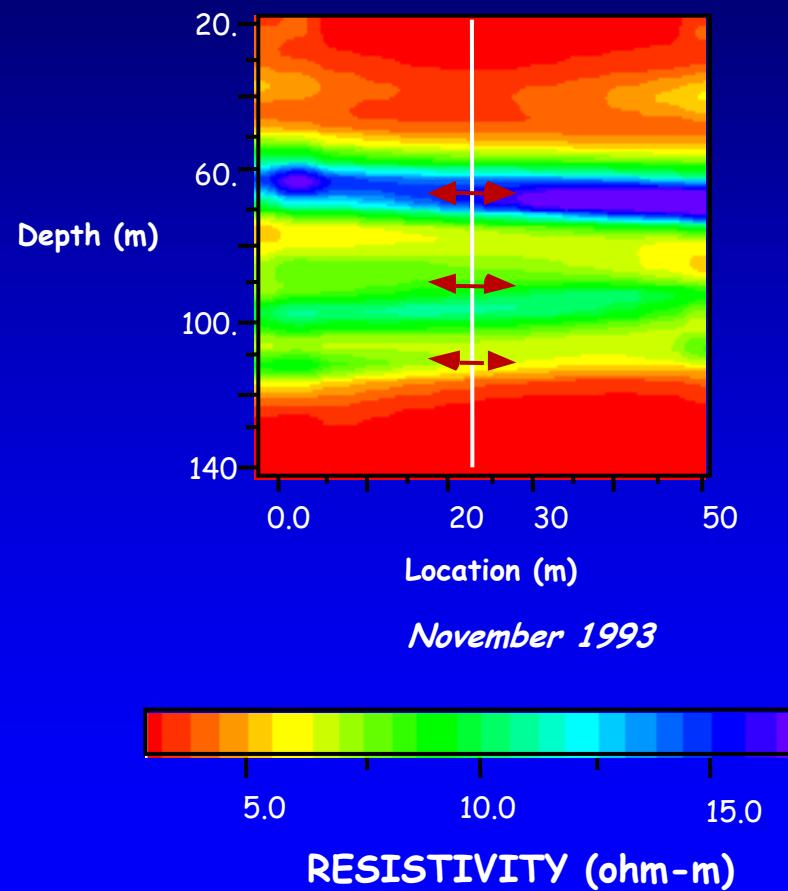
# Model from Induction Logs

SW

NE



# Time lapse view of steam flood



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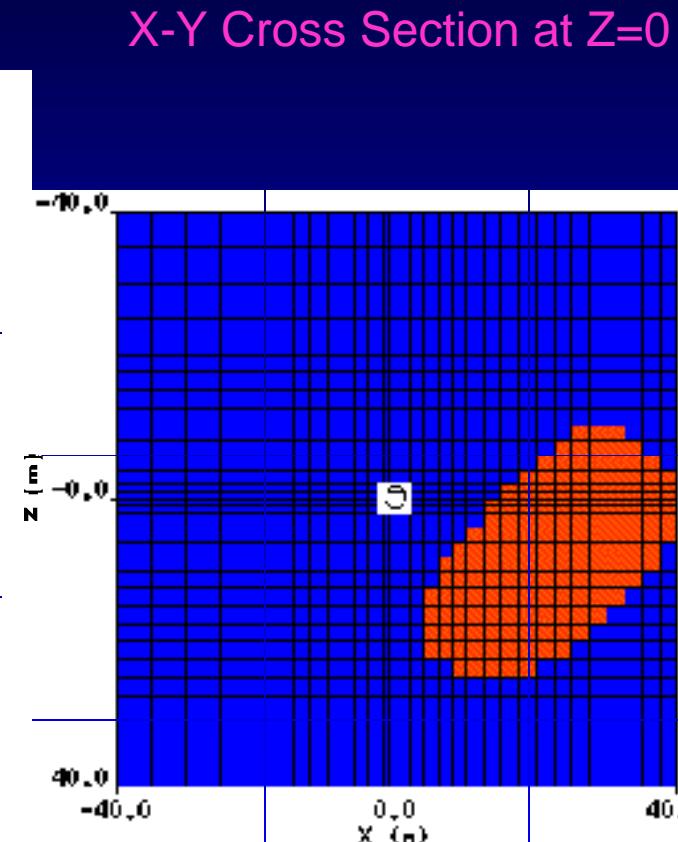
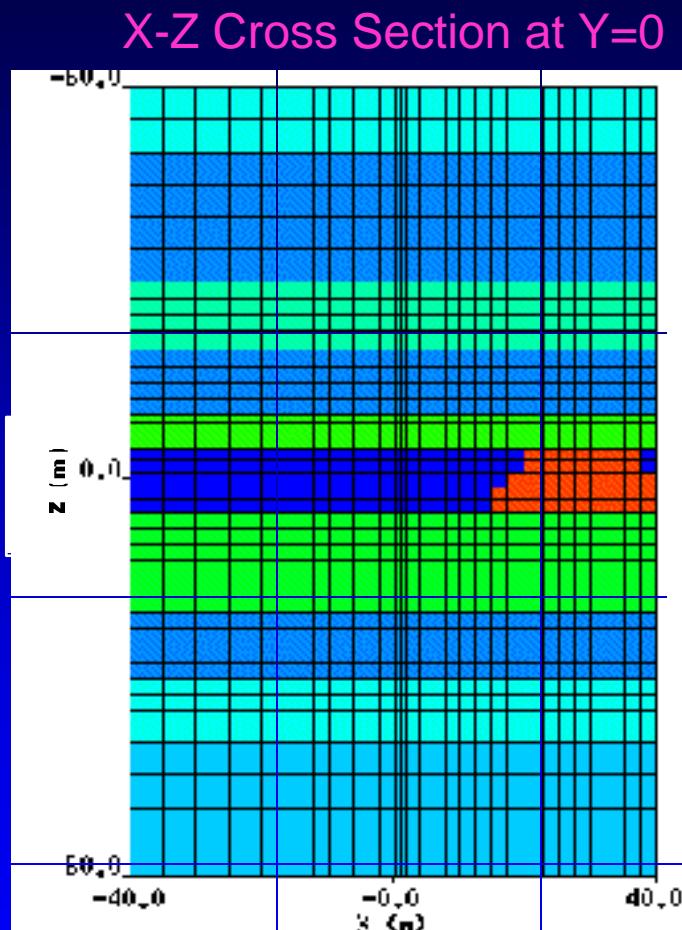


# Single well water flood 3D modeling example

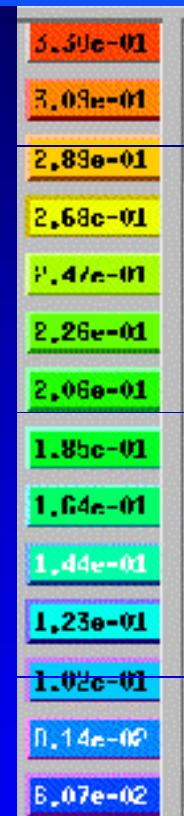
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# Water Flood Model (Alumbaugh & Wilt)



Conductivity  
(S/m)

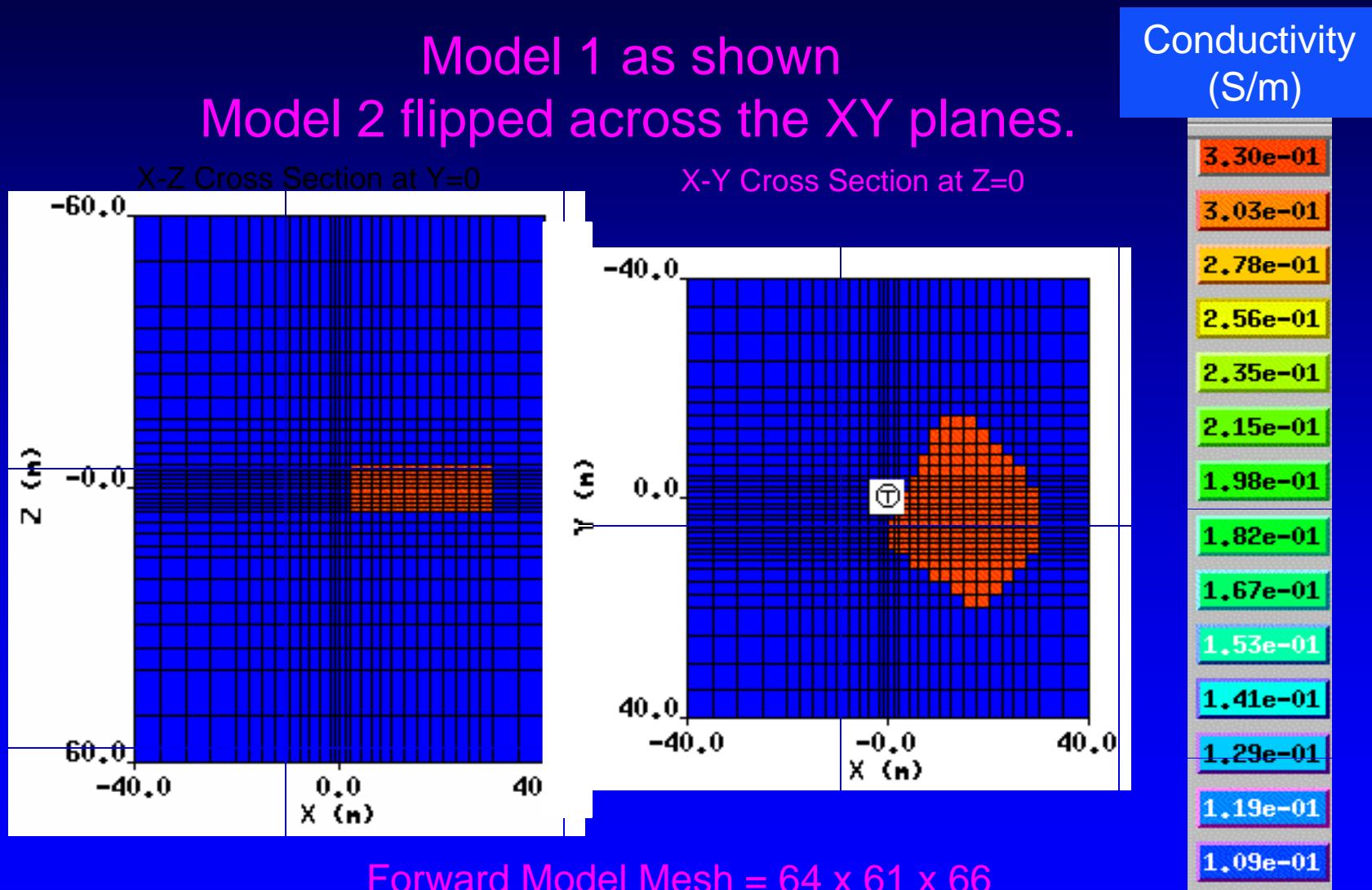


21 VMD Source Pos. - Three Frequencies/Decade from 1KHz to 100KHz  
Forward Model Mesh = 64 x 61 x 66  
Inversion Model Mesh = 45 x 45 x 53 : Imaging Region = 30 x 30 x 40

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# Initial 3D model (Alumbaugh & Wilt)



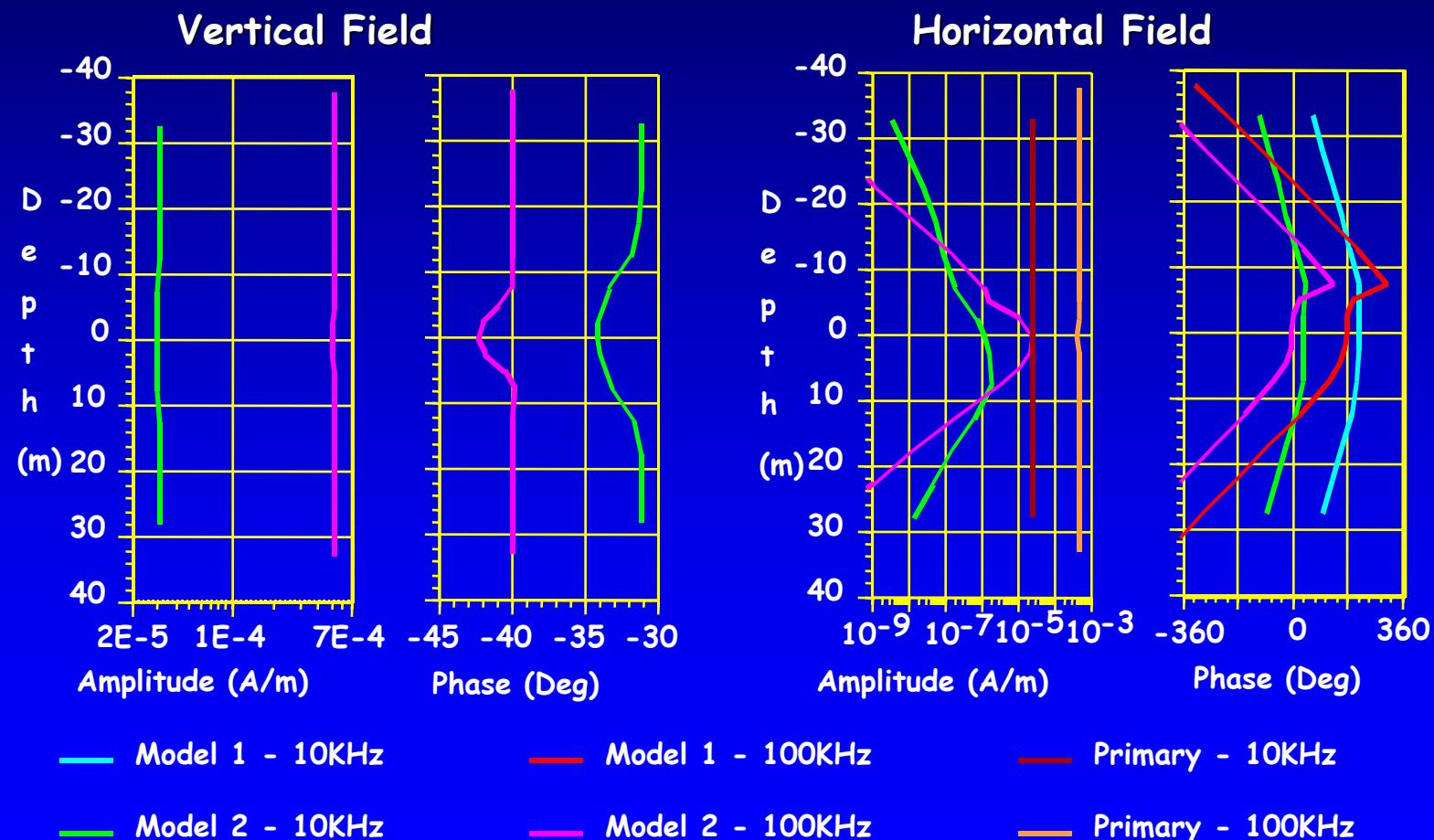
Forward Model Mesh = 64 x 61 x 66

21 VMD Source Pos. - Three Frequencies/Decade from 2.1KHz to 210KHz

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# Forward Modeling Results

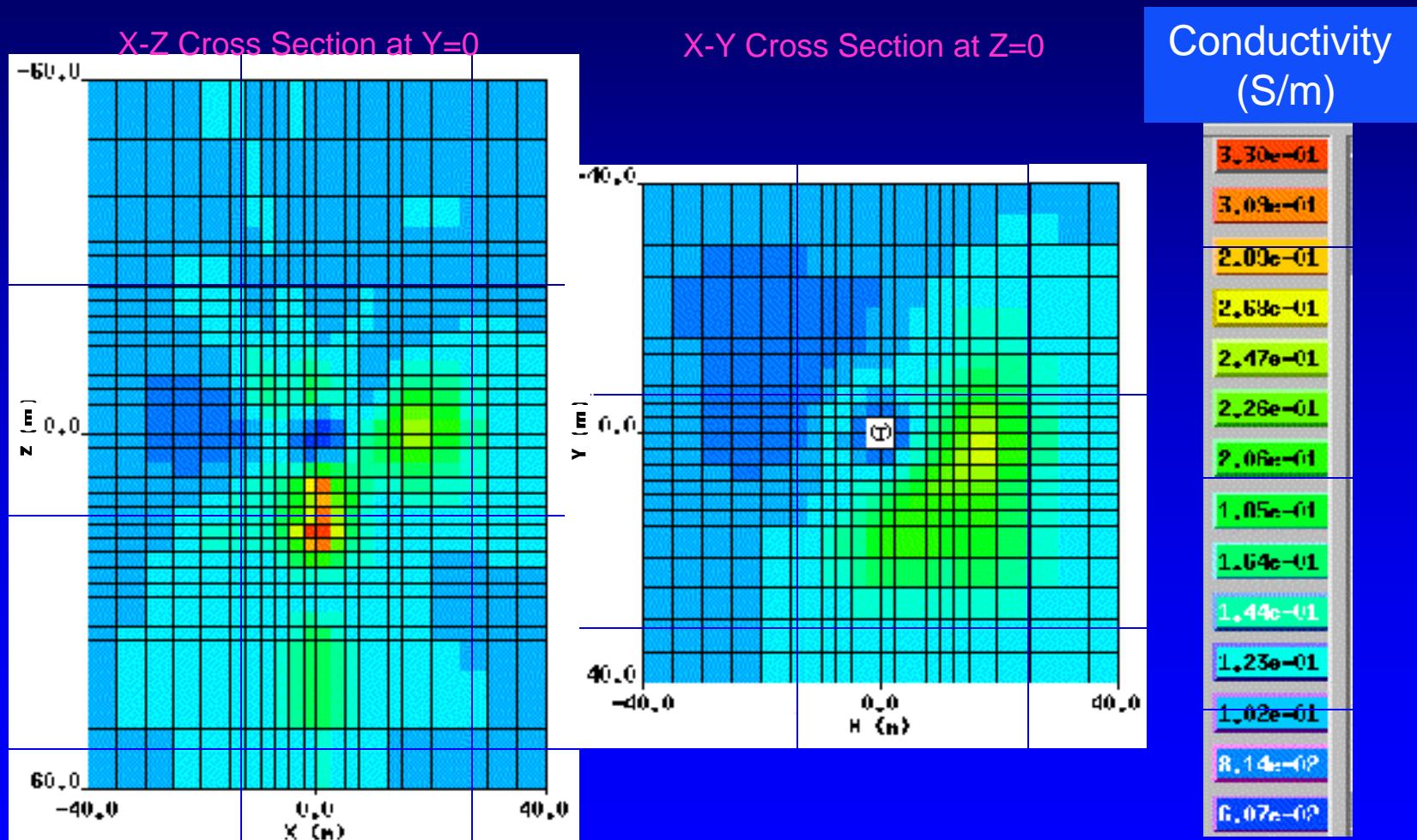
Tx-Rx Separation : 10KHz=16m 100KHz=6m (Alumbaugh & Wilt)



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# 3D image results (Alumbaugh & Wilt)

Horizontal Fields Only, Induction Number=3  
Whole Space Starting Model - Data Noise=0.2%



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# Status cross, single well

- All tools frequency domain (TD in mining)
- Cross well:
  - ☒ open hole < 500-750 m commercial trial
  - ☒ one casing < 500 m commercial trial
  - ☒ both wells cased in test phase
  - ☒ single well R&D phase

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