



IMPROVED RESERVOIR CHARACTERIZATION THROUGH CORE AND LOG DATA INTEGRATION



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| INTRODUCTION

| AREA OF STUDY

| AVAILABLE DATA

| ELECTROFACIES DETERMINATION METHOD

| ELECTROFACIES DESCRIPTION

| RESULTS

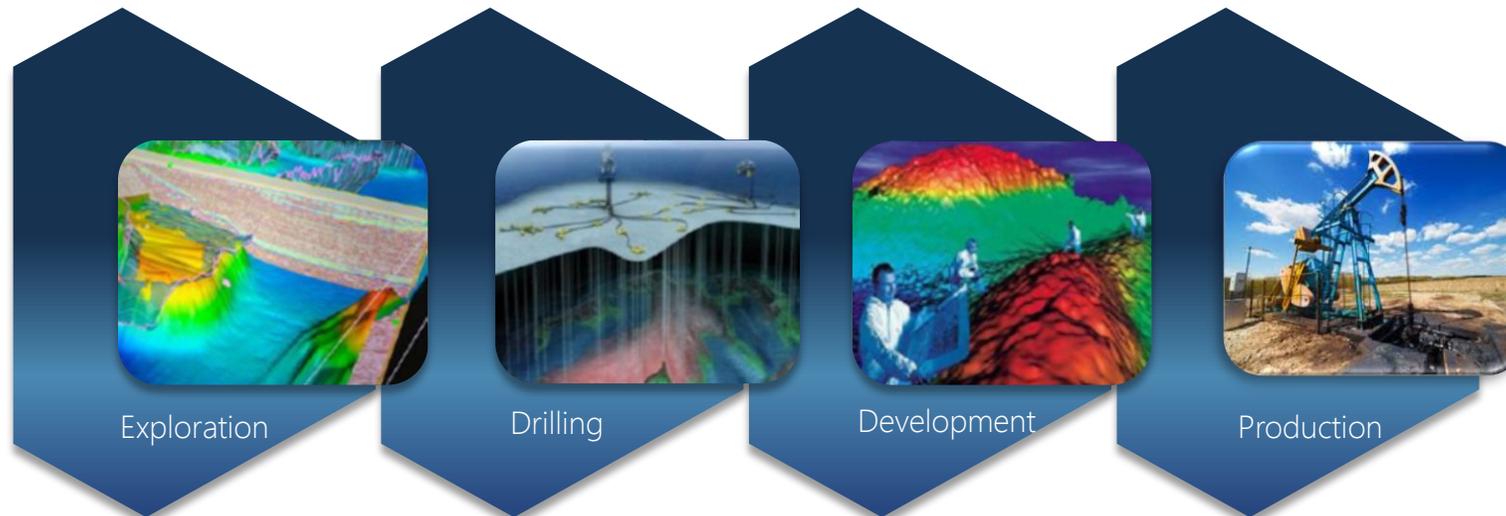
| CONCLUSION

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

- ▶ APPLICATION OF ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS AND FUZZY LOGIC ARE COMMON IN RESERVOIR CHARACTERIZATION, SIMULATION, PRODUCTION AND DRILLING OPTIMIZATION
- ▶ GOAL: OPTIMIZE PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE AND REDUCING THE COST OF PRODUCTION PER BARREL

METHODOLOGY & SIGNIFICANCE IN UPSTREAM

- ▶ APPLICATION OF MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS, PRIMARILY STATISTICS AND LINEAR ALGEBRA, TO PROCESS, ANALYZE AND PREDICT FUTURE COURSES OF ACTION BASED ON PAST DATA
- ▶ NEURAL NETWORKS ARE UTILIZED TO PREDICT FORMATION CHARACTERISTICS (POROSITY, PERMEABILITY AND FLUID SATURATION) FROM CONVENTIONAL WELL LOGS AND CORE DATA
- ▶ FINDING CORRELATIONS IN ALL AVAILABLE DATA AND GIVING NEW INPUTS WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST



SUMMARY

- ▶ CASE STUDY WAS MADE AS A PART OF THE IRS CONDUCTED FOR UPDATING GEOLOGICAL AND NUMERICAL MODEL OF MATURE FIELD FOR EOR PROJECT
- ▶ IMPLEMENTING CO₂ EOR PROJECT REQUIRES **SIGNIFICANT CAPITAL**
- ▶ **POTENTIAL RISK OF UNEXPECTED GEOLOGIC HETEROGENITY**: SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCING THE EXPECTED INJECTION RESPONSE
- ▶ **RISK MITIGATION** – CREATING ROBUST MODEL

- ▶ **LIMITATIONS**: MATURE FIELD WITH LIMITED CORE AND LOG DATA
- ▶ **OPPORTUNITY**: OPTIMIZING PREDICTION OF CO₂ INJECTION THROUGH APPLICATION OF NEURAL NETWORKS
- ▶ **SOLUTION**: USING WELL LOGS AS INPUT DATA COUPLED WITH CORE DATA ON THE CORRESPONDING DEPTH TO PREDICT RESERVOIR CHARACTERISTICS IN UNCORED AREAS

CORE DATA

Scarce in mature fields
Expensive
Very limited distribution

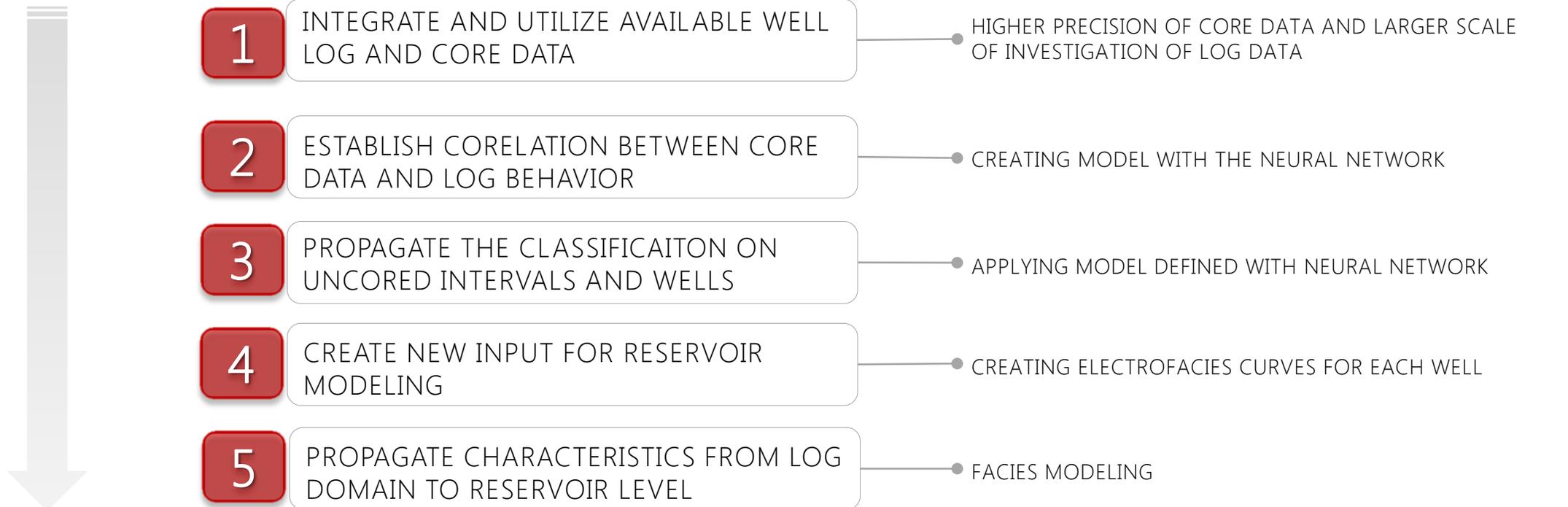
WELL LOG DATA

Continuous vertical measurement
Wide distribution of data
Function of the lithology and permeability

RESERVOIR MODEL

Integration of seismic, petrophysical and production data
Depends on the quality of the rock property inputs

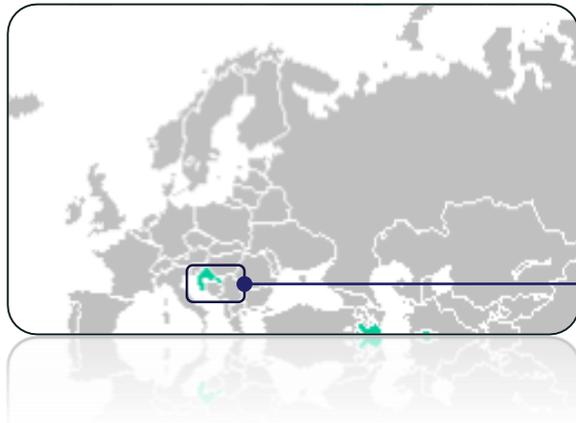
OBJECTIVES



- ✓ SUCCESSFUL ELECTROFACIES CLASSIFICATION OF MORE THAN 70 WELLS
- ✓ INTEGRATING NEW METHODOLOGIES INTO EXISTING PRACTICES GAVE US NEW INPUTS FOR RESERVOIR MODELING

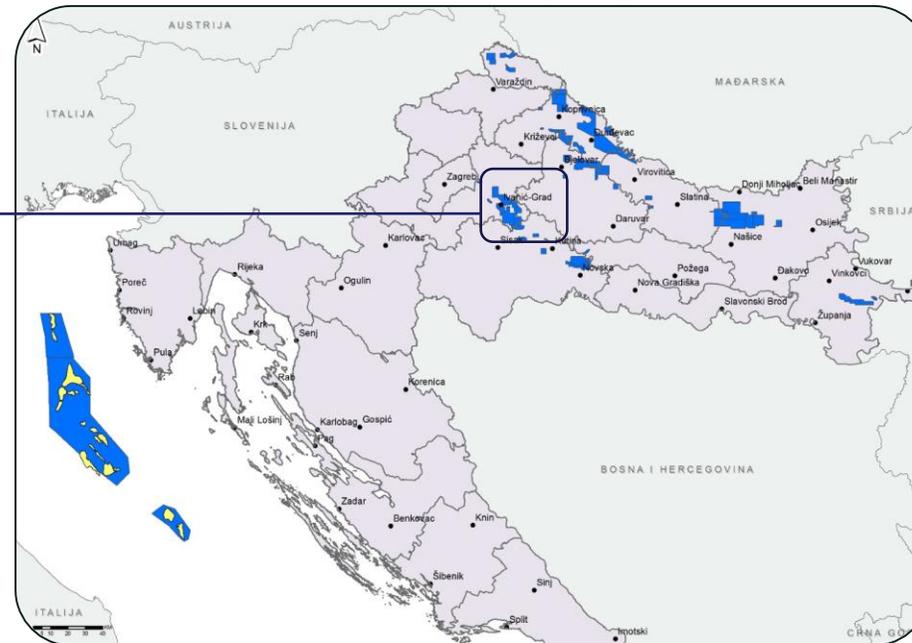
GEOGRAPHICAL SETTING

- ▶ PANNONIAN BASIN – BACK ARC BASIN
- ▶ CENTRAL CROATIA
- ▶ FIELD IN THE SAVA DEPRESSION IN CPBS



GEOLOGICAL SETTING

- ▶ LATE MIOCENE: UPPER PANNONIAN TO LOWER PONTIAN THERMAL SUBSIDENCE TRIGGERED BY THE COOLING OF THE LITHOSPHERE
- ▶ SEDIMENTS DEPOSITED BY TURBIDITIC MECHANISM IN RESPONSE TO GRAVITATIONAL AND TECTONIC INSTABILITY IN UPPER PANNONIAN



LITHOSTRATIGRAPHIC UNIT

- ▶ IVANIC GRAD FORMATION
- ▶ DEEPWATER SANDSTONES

LITHOLOGY

- ▶ ALTERATION OF MARLS, SILTSTONES AND SAND

FIELD DATA

- ▶ IN PRODUCTION SINCE 1966
- ▶ CHOSEN FOR EOR PROJECT: CO₂ INJECTION

CORE DATA

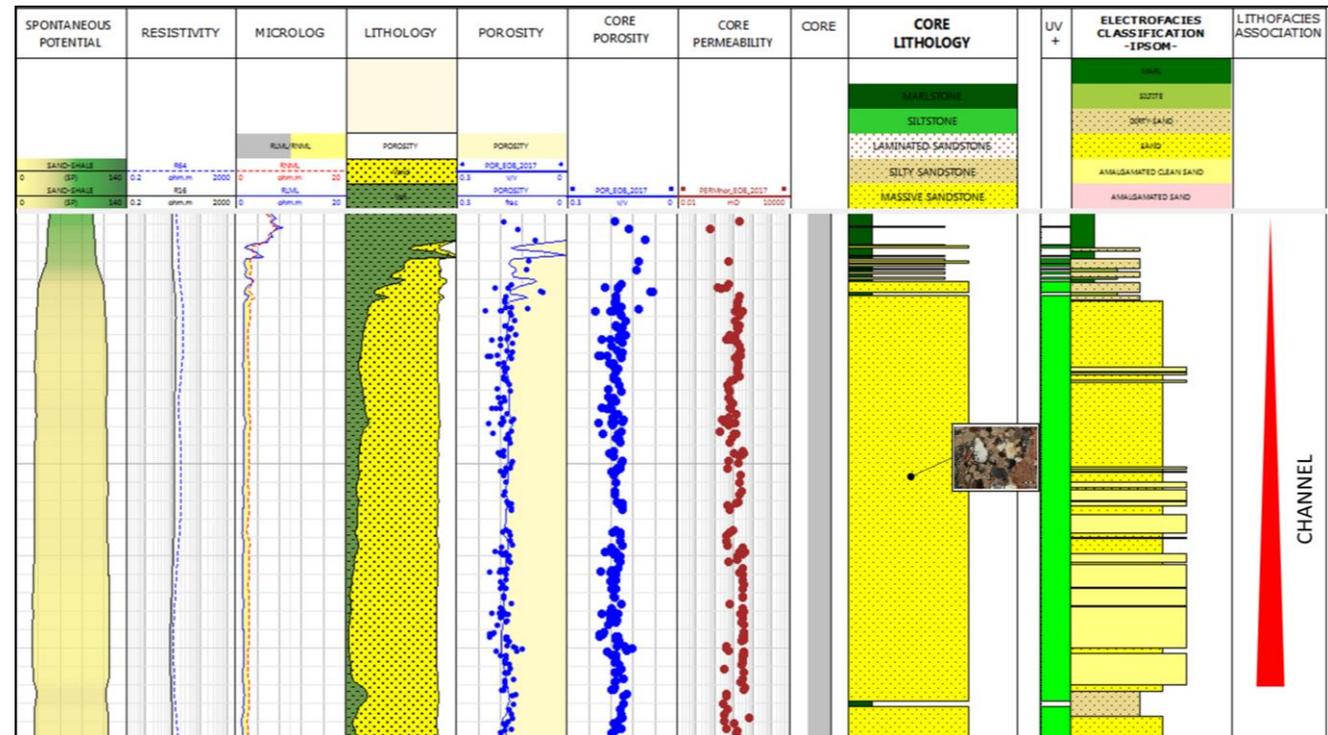
- ▶ ROUTINE CORE ANALYSIS – 20 WELLS
- ▶ SPECIAL CORE ANALYSIS – 3 WELLS
- ▶ PETROGRAPHIC ANALYSIS
- ▶ SEM ANALYSIS

CORE AND LOG DATA INTEGRATION



LOGGING DATA

- ▶ CONVENTIONAL WELL LOGS
- ▶ PETROPHYSICAL ANALYSIS
- ▶ MORE THAN 70 WELLS



WHAT IS ELECTROFACIES?

- ▶ FACIES REFERS TO A DISTINCTIVE GROUP OF CHARACTERISTICS WITHIN A ROCK UNIT THAT ALLOWS IT TO BE DISTINGUISHED FROM OTHER ADJACENT ROCK UNITS
- ▶ THE OBSERVABLE CHARACTERISTICS OF A ROCK IN TERMS OF WELL LOG RESPONSE ARE CALLED ELECTROFACIES - DETERMINED BY THE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF ROCKS



IPSO provides automatic classification solutions based on neural network technology (The Kohonen algorithm)

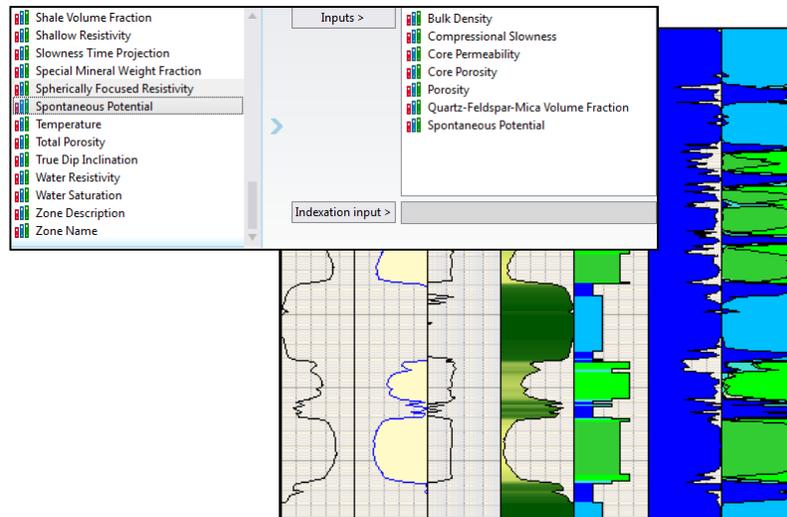


TYPICAL FACIES MODELING WORKFLOW

INPUT

▶ INPUT DATA SELECTION

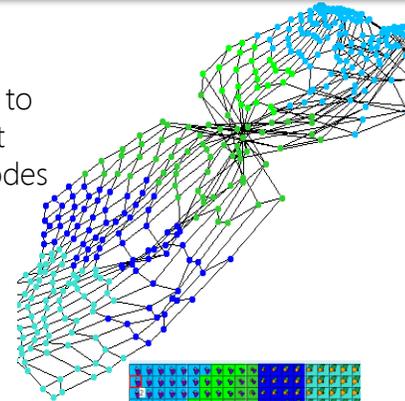
Selection of a set of properties representative of the facies



MODEL DEFINITION

▶ NEURAL ANALYSIS

Clustering of the inputs to get a downsampled but representative set of nodes



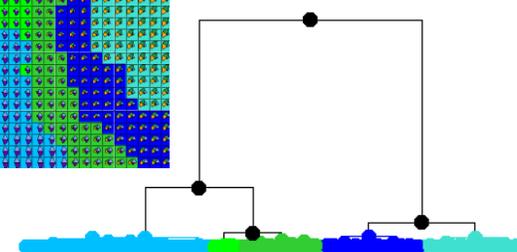
▶ INDEXATION

Regroup of nodes with similar petrophysical properties



▶ MODEL REFINEMENT

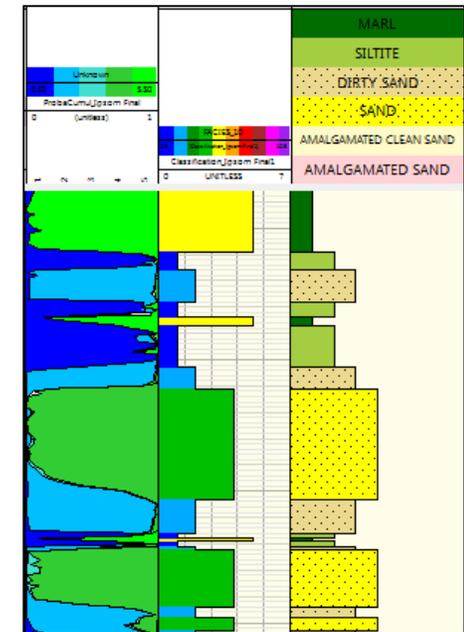
Manual editing of the map
Defining the optimal number of groups
(Dendrogram)



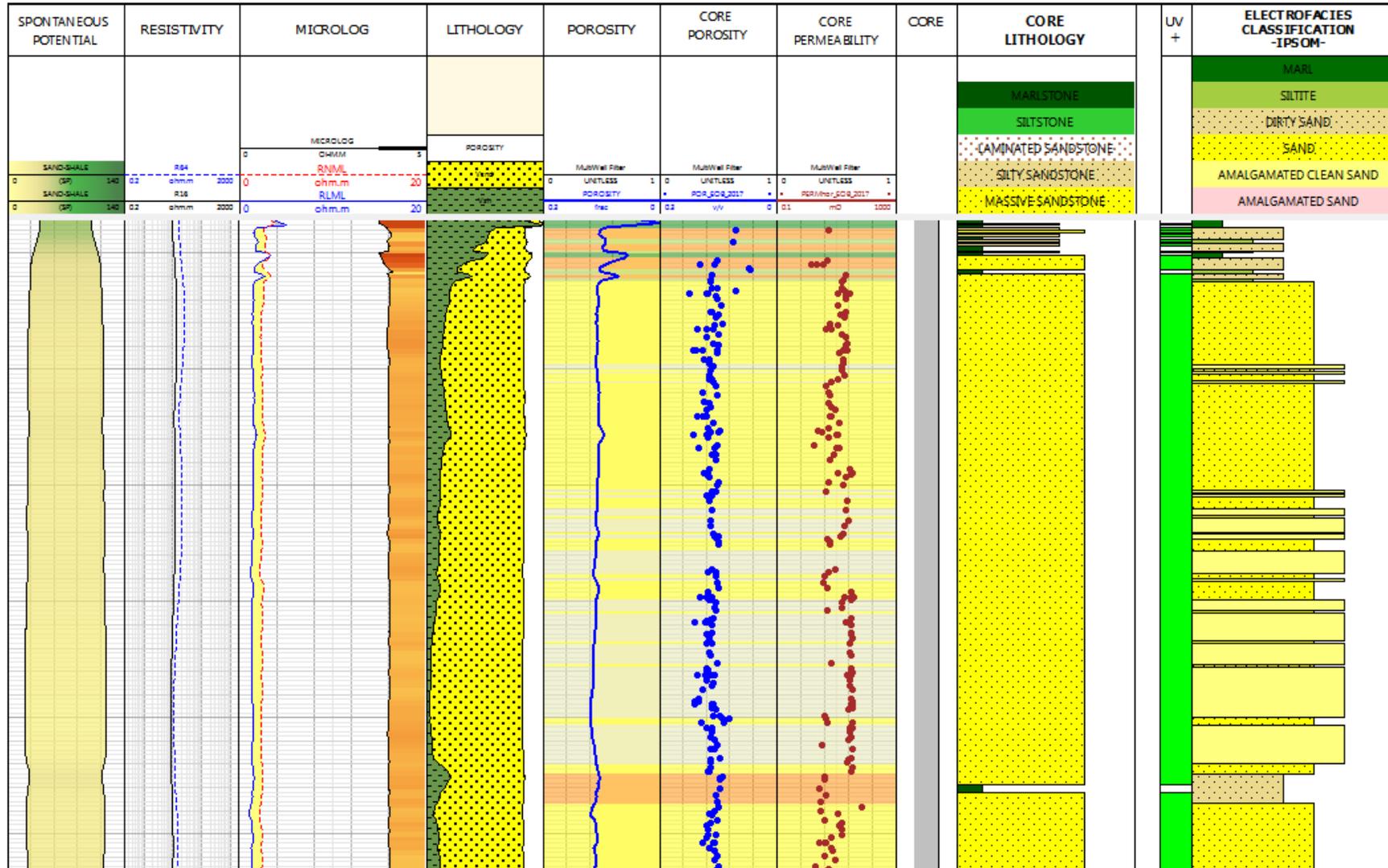
MODEL APPLICATION

▶ APPLYING THE MODEL

When the most representative model is made it's applied on the wells in order to create classification curves



MODEL APPLICATION RESULTS



▶ SIX IDENTIFIED ELECTROFACIES

- MARL
- SILTITE
- DIRTY SAND
- SAND
- AMALGAMATED CLEAN SAND
- AMALGAMATED SAND

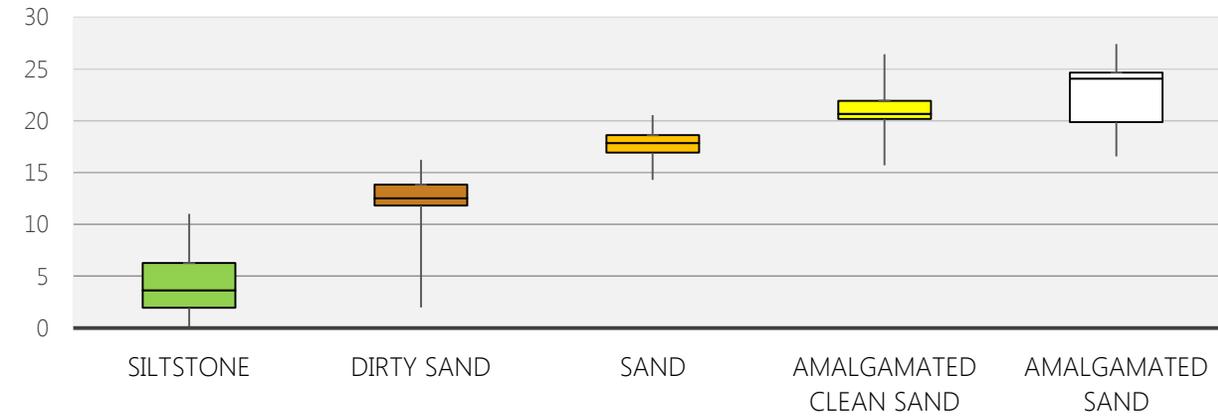
▶ MORE DETAILED CLASSIFICATION

- ▶ HIGHER RESOLUTION
- ▶ MORE AFFECTED BY CHANGES IN PETROPHYSICAL PROPERTIES
- ▶ APPLIED TO UNCORED INTERVALS

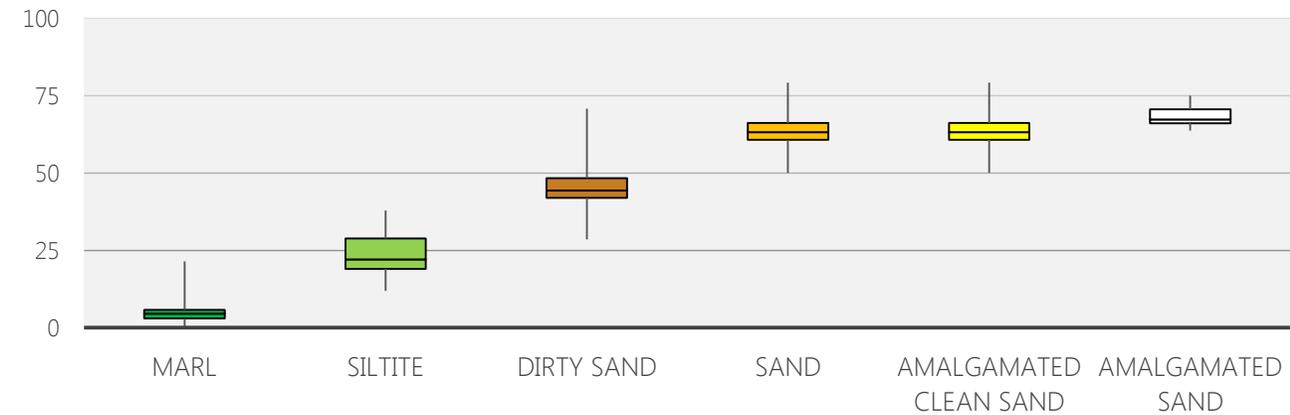
MODEL APPLICATION RESULTS

SIX IDENTIFIED GROUPS: CLEAR DISTRIBUTION OF RESERVOIR PROPERTIES

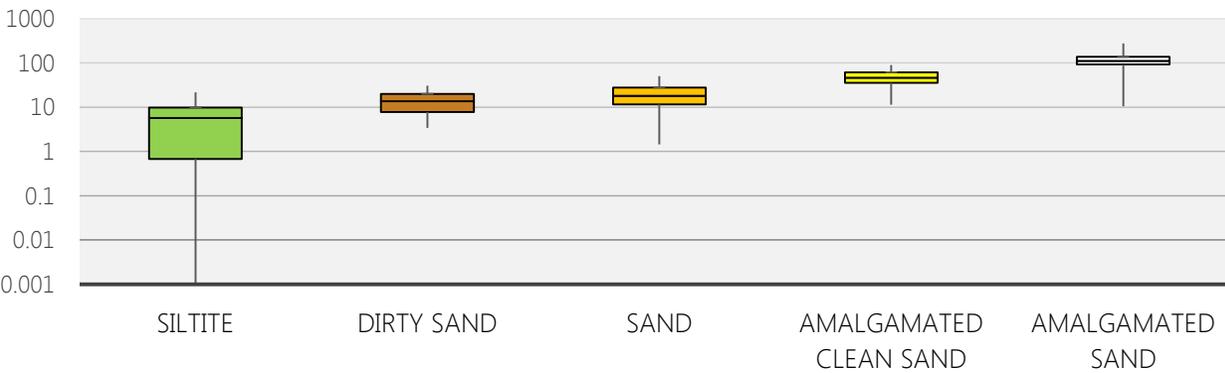
POROSITY



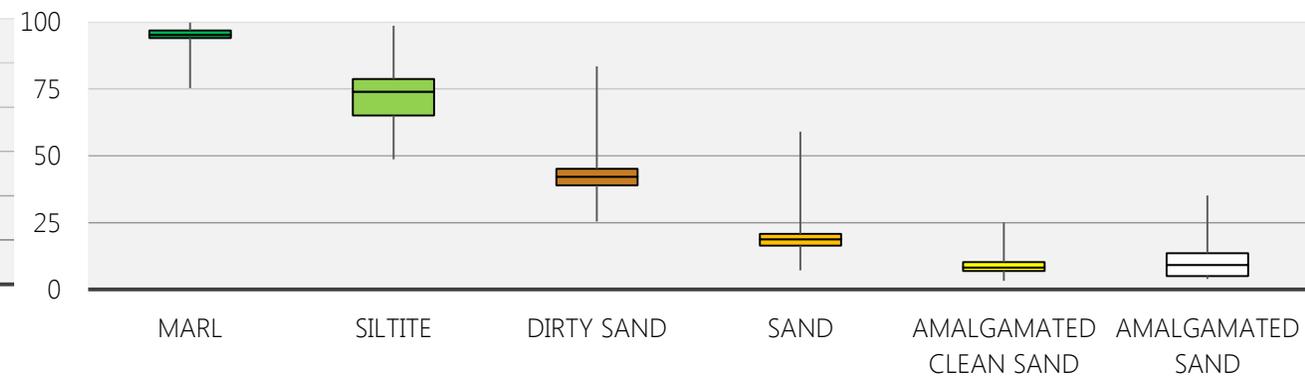
SAND CONTENT



PERMEABILITY



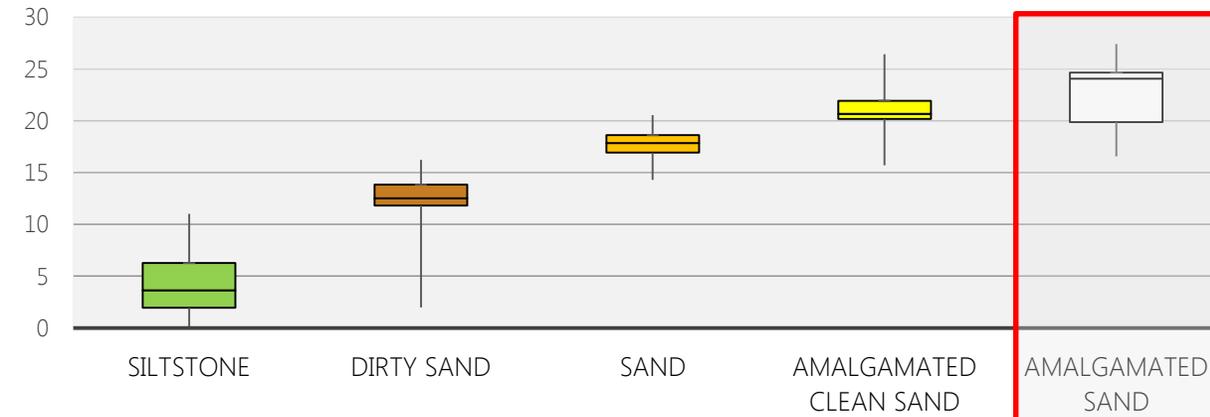
SHALE CONTENT



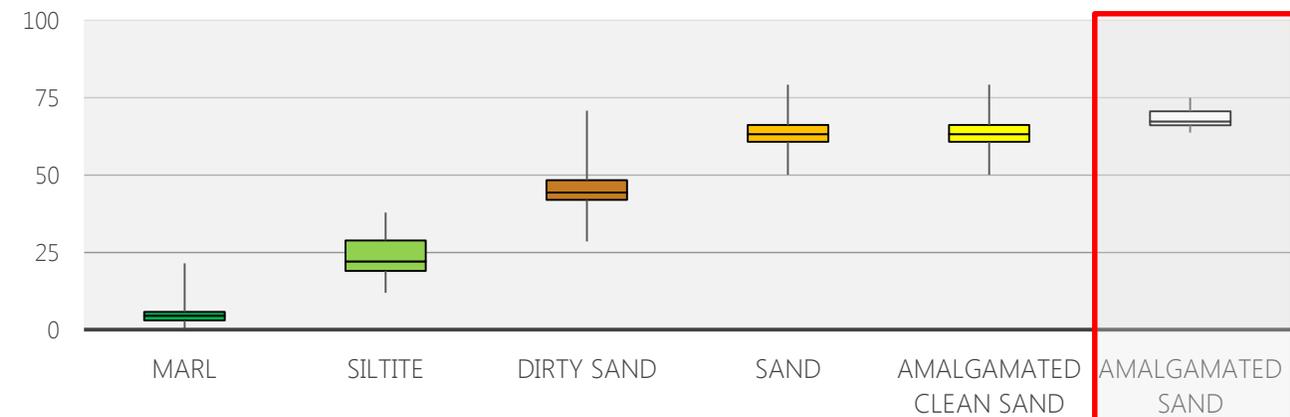
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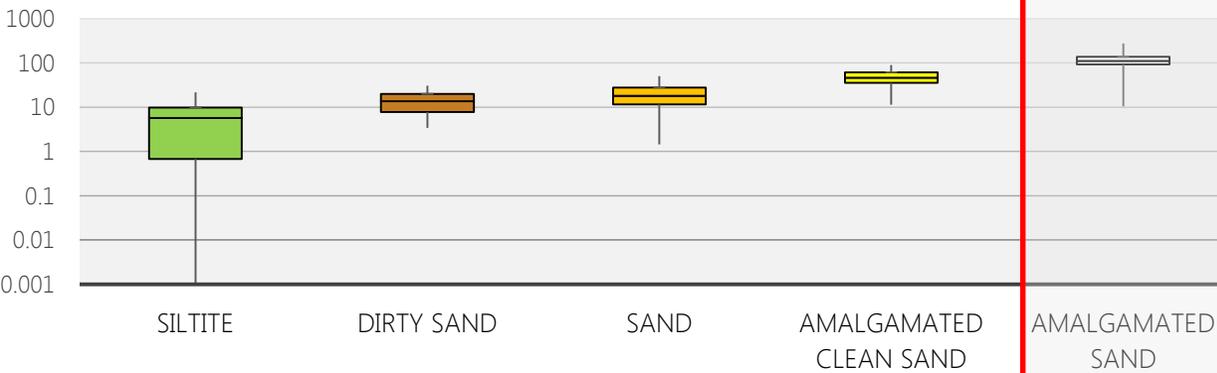
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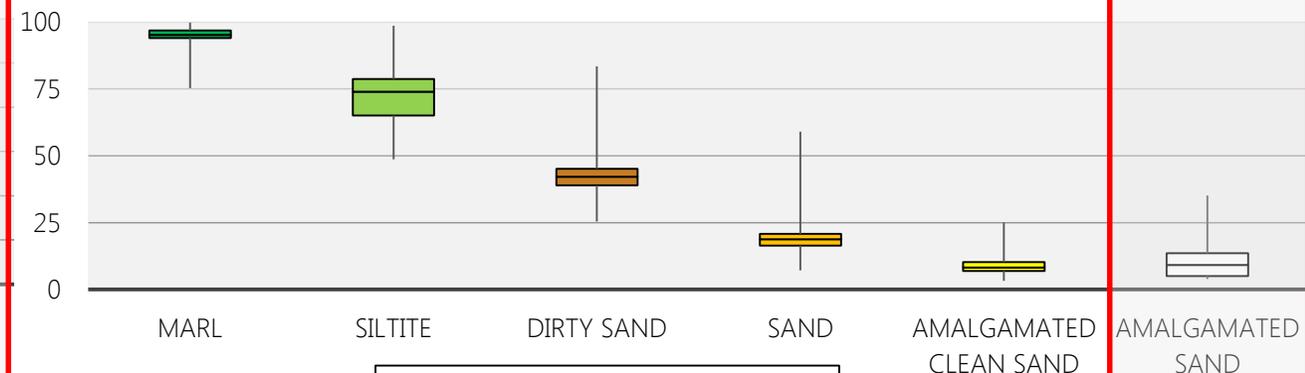
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PERMEABILITY



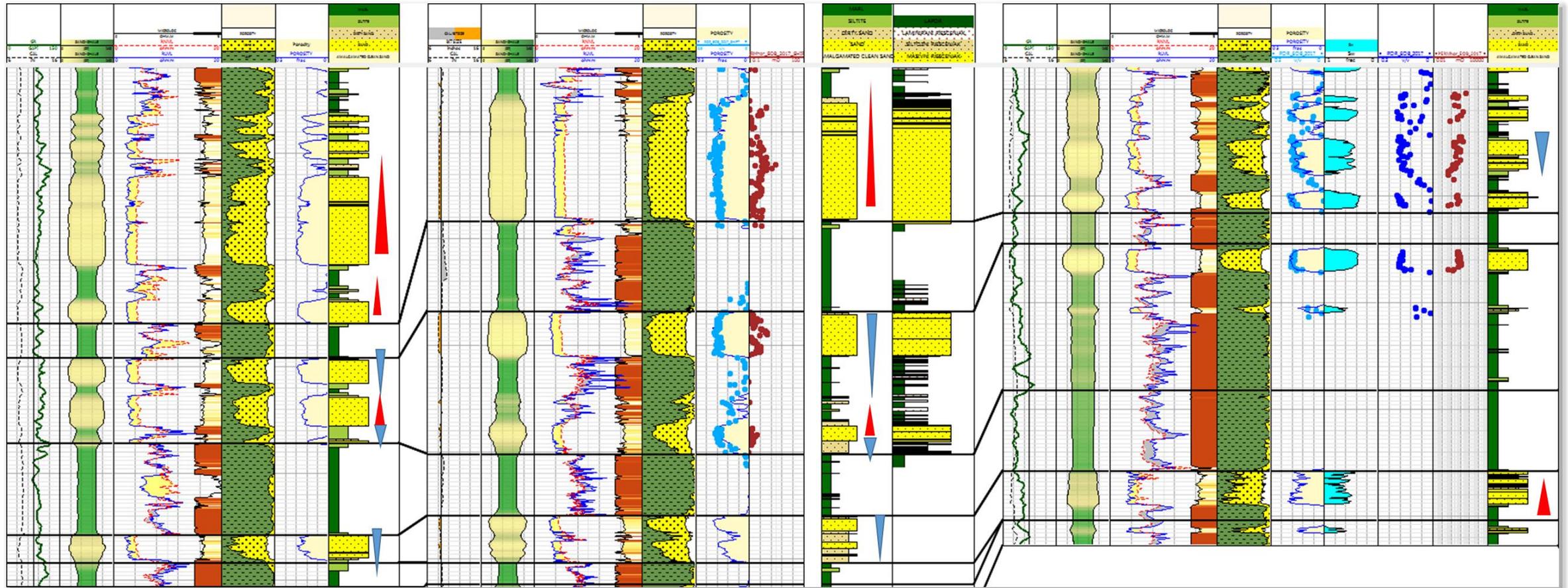
SHALE CONTENT



ELECTROFACIES GROUP WITH THE
BEST RESERVOIR PROPERTIES

INTERPRETATION & CORRELATION

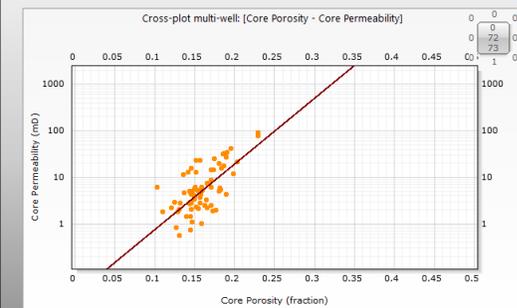
RESERVOIR CORRELATION – ZONATION DETERMINATION



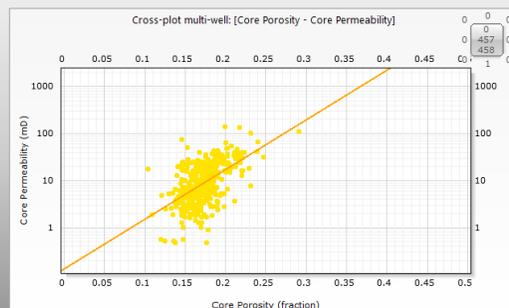
PERMEABILITY CALCULATION FROM CORE DATA

REGRESSIONS AND EQUATIONS

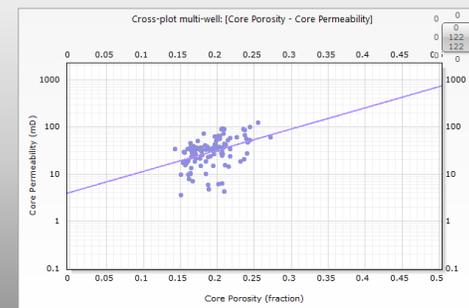
GROUP	EQUATION	CORRELATION	R ²	R ² ADJUSTED	RMSE	COLOR	DESCRIPTION
DIRTY SAND	$\log_{10}(\text{Core Permeability}) = + 43.63462 * \text{Core Porosity} - 6.867689$	0.722617	0.522175	0.517249	1.478		Regression type: Y/X; Fixed constant: no; Fixed slope: no; With selection: no
SAND	$\log_{10}(\text{Core Permeability}) = + 20.88645 * \text{Core Porosity} - 2.735167$	0.603791	0.364563	0.363203	0.689		Regression type: Y/X; Fixed constant: no; Fixed slope: no; With selection: no
AMALGAMATED CLEAN SAND	$\log_{10}(\text{Core Permeability}) = + 5.349179 * \text{Core Porosity} + 0.4399292$	0.462954	0.214326	0.207833	0.278		Regression type: Y/X; Fixed constant: no; Fixed slope: no; With selection: no
AMALGAMATED SAND	$\log_{10}(\text{Core Permeability}) = + 21.68502 * \text{Core Porosity} - 3.348007$	0.737765	0.544297	0.536303	0.776		Regression type: Y/X; Fixed constant: no; Fixed slope: no; With selection: no
GLOBAL	$\log_{10}(\text{Core Permeability}) = + 14.1819 * \text{Core Porosity} - 1.46681$	0.673952	0.454212	0.453482	0.918		Regression type: Y/X; Fixed constant: no; Fixed slope: no; With selection: no



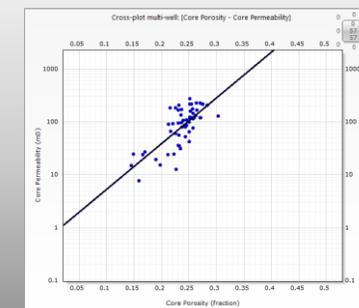
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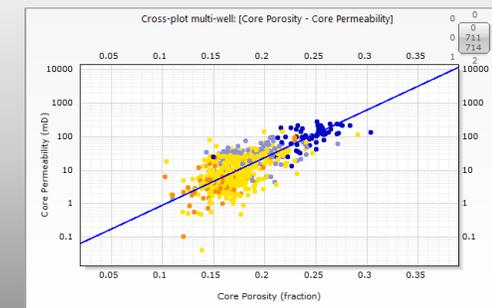
SAND



AMALGAMATED CLEAN SAND



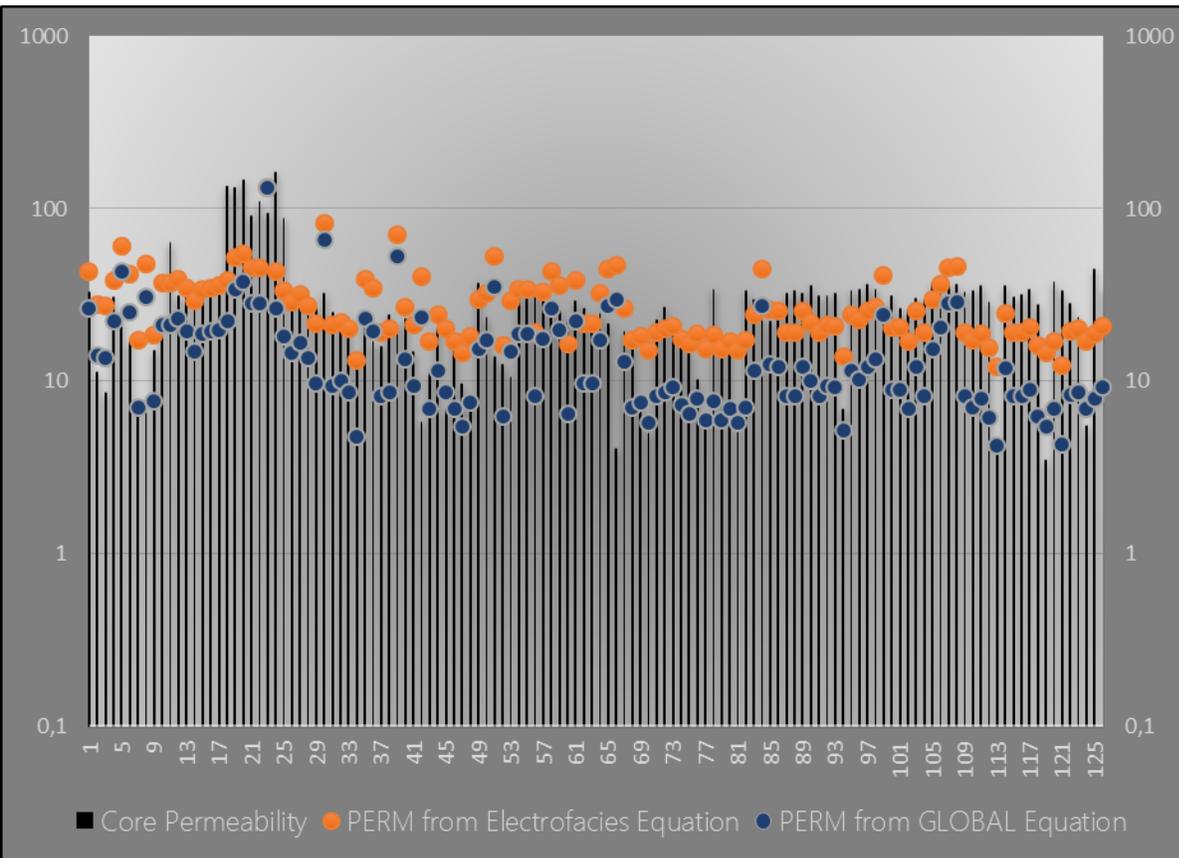
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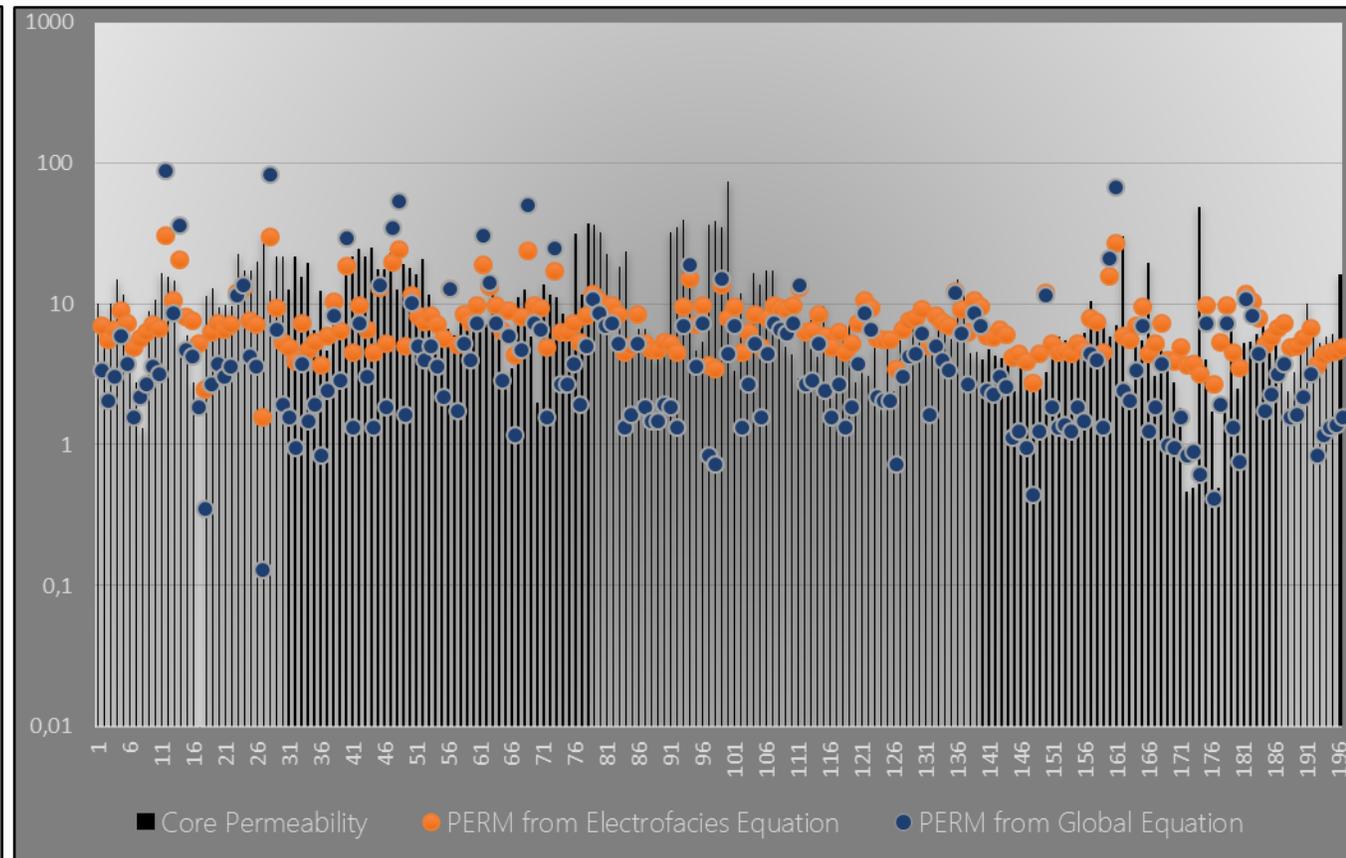
ALL DATA (GLOBAL)*

RESULTS VALIDATION

Permeability calculated with different equations and compared with permeability measured on cores



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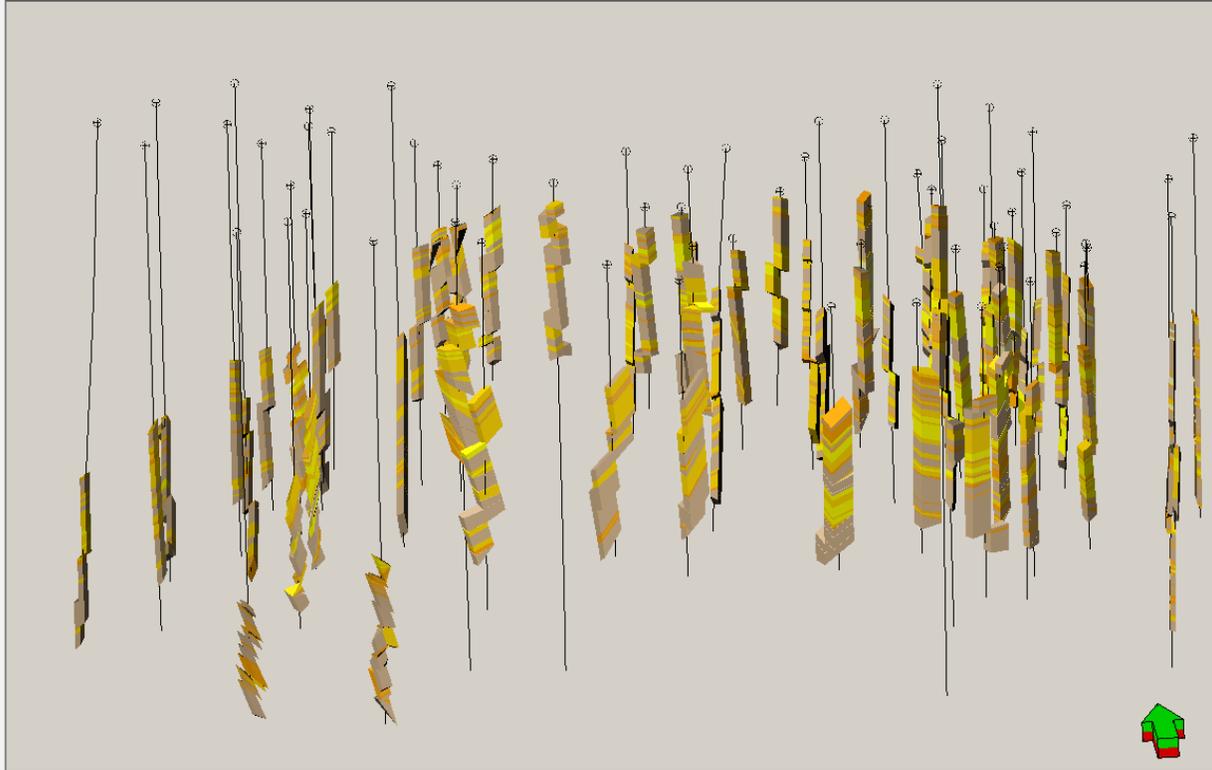


SAND

PERMEABILITY CALCULATED FROM ELECTROFACIES EQUATIONS IS MORE RELIABLE

FACIES MODELING

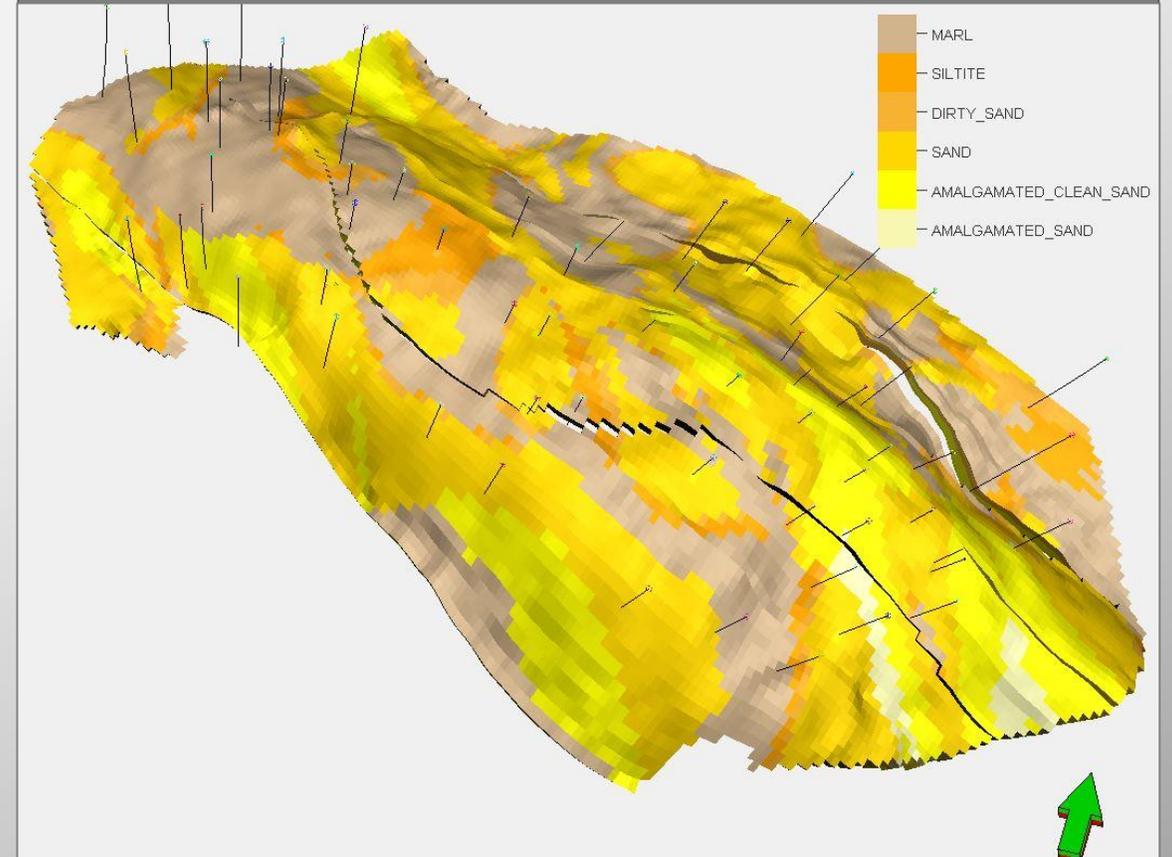
VERTICAL ELECTROFACIES ASSOCIATION



- ▶ 3D FACIES MODEL IS USED TO CONTROL SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION OF RESERVOIR PROPERTIES – POROSITY, PERMEABILITY AND INITIAL WATER SATURATION
- ▶ MORE ROBUST MODEL

 **Petrel**
Shared earth—critical insight

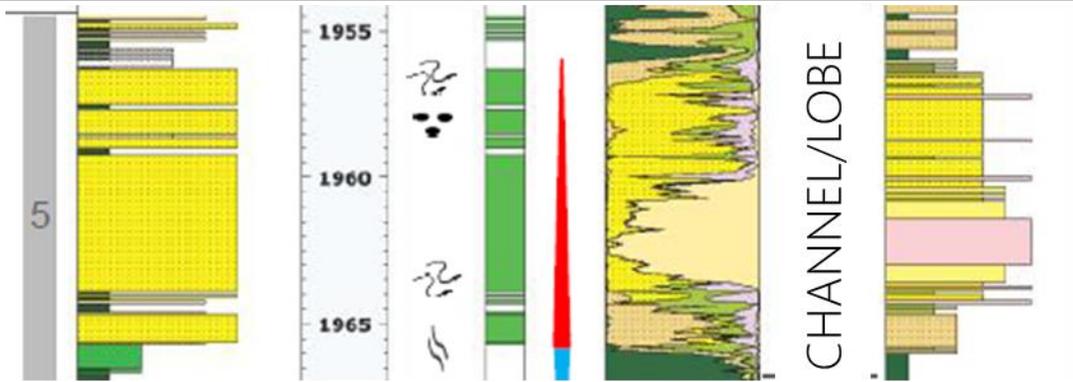
LATERAL ELECTROFACIES ASSOCIATION



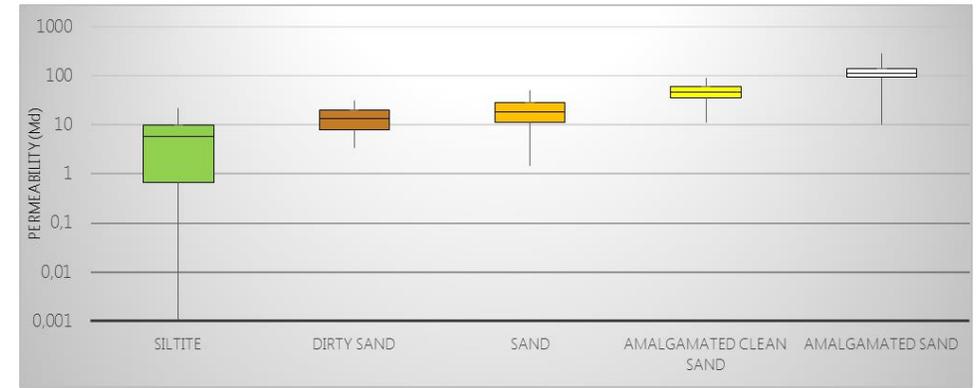
CONCLUSION

SUCCESSFUL ELECTROFACIES CLASSIFICATION OF MORE THAN 70 WELLS

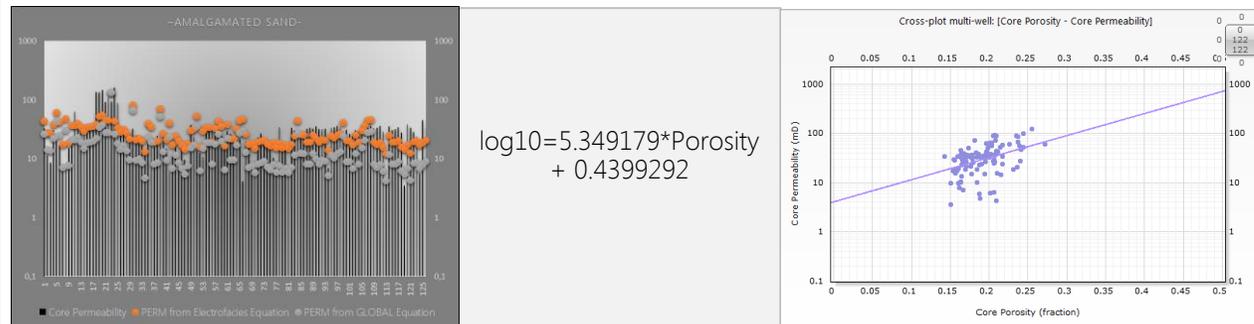
VERTICAL ELECTROFACIES ASSOCIATION INDICATES POSITION IN DEPOSITIONAL ENVIRONMENT
-FOR SEDIMENTOLOGICAL INTERPRETATION-



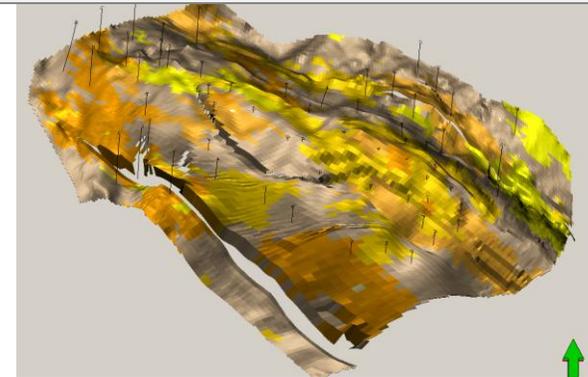
SIX ELECTROFACIES IDENTIFIED - IN A WAY TO OPTIMIZE THE DISTRIBUTIONS OF POROSITY
AND PERMEABILITY ASSOCIATED WITH EACH GROUP



NEW EQUATIONS FOR PERMEABILITY CALCULATIONS
EACH ELECTROFACIES SEPARATELY



NEW INPUT FOR RESERVOIR MODELLING HAS BEEN MADE WITH IDENTIFIED ZONES OF
DIFFERENT PERMEABILITIES AND POROSITIES



MAXIMUM UTILIZATION OF AVAILABLE DATA – WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST

SIGNIFICANCE

- ▶ MORE **ROBUST MODEL** – HIGHER CONTROL OVER DISTRIBUTION PROPERTIES
- ▶ PREDICTS RESERVOIR **HETEROGENETIES**
- ▶ ELECTROFACIES ARE DEFINED BASED ON ALL AVAILABE DATA AND IN DEPTH REFLECT RESERVOIR PROPERTIES
- ▶ INCREASES THE TEAM EFFICIENCY

POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

- ▶ PREVENTING **UNNECESSARY WORKOVERS** DUE TO MORE PRECISE RESERVOIR CHARACTERIZATION
- ▶ BASED ON MORE ACURATE MODEL, **OPTIMAL PATTERN OF INJECTORS AND PRODUCERS** CAN BE DETERMINED
- ▶ BETTER PREDICITON OF **FLUID DYNAMICS**
- ▶ OPTIMIZING PREDICTION OF **CO₂ INJECTION QUANTITIES**
- ▶ BETTER **ESTIMATION OF RECOVERY** (POSSIBLY BOTH HIGHER AND LOWER)
- ▶ ALL LEADS TO **BETTER PROJECT EFFICIENCY AND LOWER PRODUCTION COST PER BARREL**

NEURAL NETWORK APPLICATION SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED RESERVOIR CHARACTERIZATION FROM WELL LOGS AND CORE DATA

QUESTIONS...



BEST PRACTICES

IMPLEMENTING SOLUTIONS BASED ON MACHINE LEARNING AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FROM MASSIVE AMOUNT OF DATA IN:

RESERVOIR CHARACTERIZATION

CORE AND LOG DATA INTEGRATION¹

- ▶ ELECTROFACIES DETERMINATION THROUGH CORE AND LOG DATA INTEGRATION
- ▶ CORRELATING GEOLOGICAL DATA WITH ELECTROFACIES
- ▶ CALIBRATION OF ELECTROFACIES WITH SEISMIC DATA TO UPSCALE IT TO FIELD LEVEL
- ▶ ACHIEVED DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF THE DYNAMIC RESPONSES OF THE RESERVOIRS

FIELD DEVELOPMENT

ELECTROFACIES MODELING IN CARBONATES²

- ▶ DEFINING PERMEABILITY AND FACIES CHANGES RELATED TO ROCK QUALITY THROUGH CORE DATA, CONVENTIONAL LOGS, NMR AND IMAGE LOGS INTEGRATION
- ▶ APPLYING THE MODEL TO PREDICT CHANGES IN WELLS WITHOUT CORE DATA

EXPLORATION

INTEGRATED DATA ANALYSIS USING ELECTROFACIES AND SEISMIC ATTRIBUTE FOR RESERVOIR MODELING³

- ▶ EXTENDING THE MEASURED PROPERTIES FROM THE WELLBORE TO THE ENTIRE STUDIED AREA
- ▶ PRACTICAL METHOD BASED ON THREE STEPS:
 - ▶ DETECTING AND CLASSIFYING ELECTROFACIES FROM WELL LOGS
 - ▶ ESTIMATING PETROPHYSICAL PROPERTY USING WELL LOGS AND CORE DATA
 - ▶ ELECTROFACIES SPATIAL MODELING FROM SEISMIC ATTRIBUTE

¹ CORE AND WELL LOG DATA INTEGRATION, THE KEY FOR DETERMINING ELECTROFACIES (L. P. STINCO)

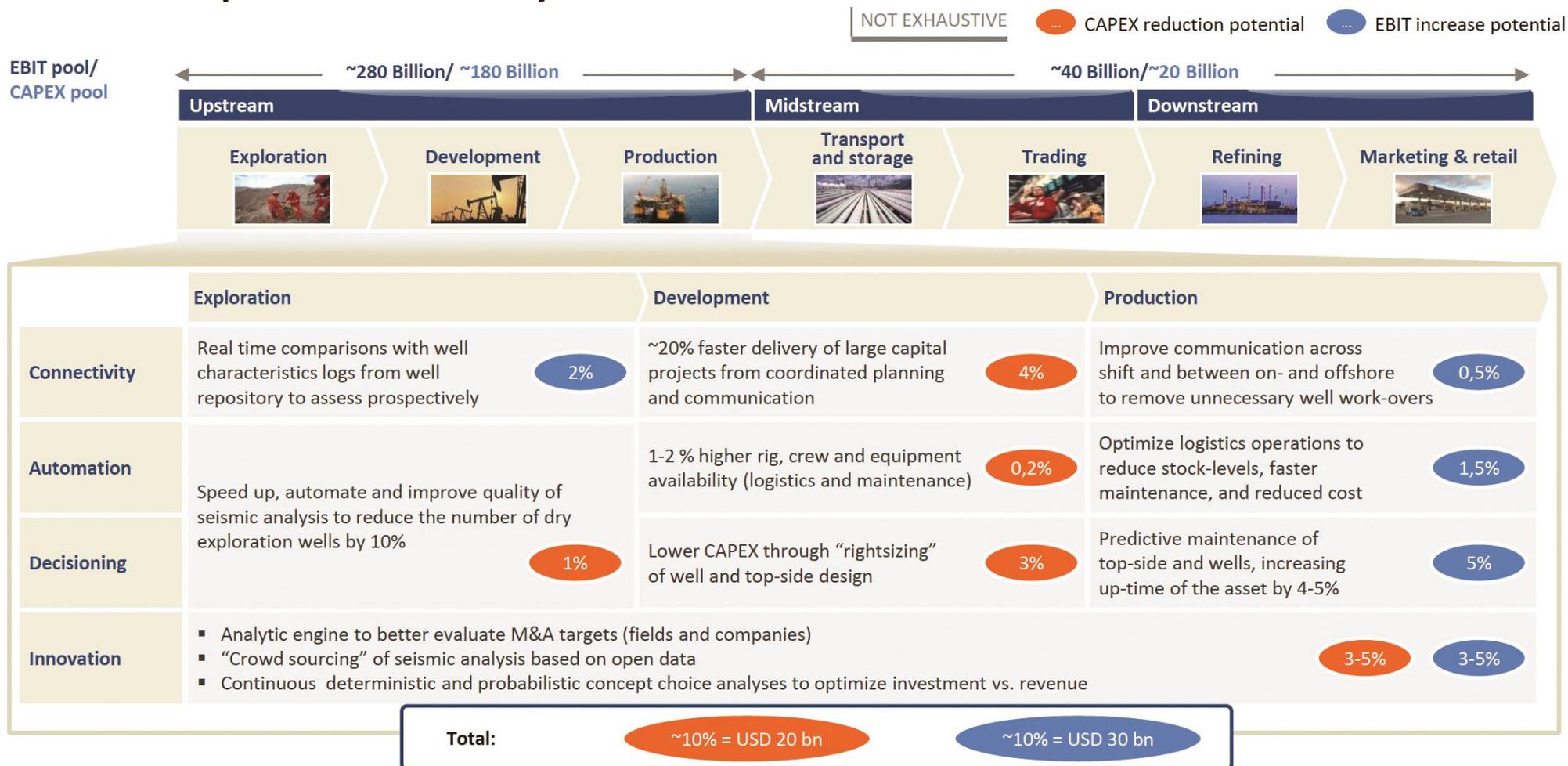
² ELECTROFACIES MODELING: USING MULTI-RESOLUTION GRAPH BASED CLUSTERING (MRCG), ANALYSIS IN CARBONATE FIELD, VENEZUELA (PARADIGM CUSTOMER STORY)

³ INTEGRATED DATA ANALYSIS USING ELECTROFACIES AND SEISMIC ATTRIBUTE FOR RESERVOIR MODELING (CHEOLKYUN JEONG, STANFORD)

APPENDIX

McKINSEY STUDY¹

IN UPSTREAM ONLY, THERE IS AROUND USD 50bn AT STAKE THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION OF AI PRACTICES



¹ <http://insights.globalspec.com/article/2772/the-growing-role-of-artificial-intelligence-in-oil-and-gas>