



Development of a geostatic model for a geoscience field research station in Alberta

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Location



Newell County, AB



GFRS Study Area

Objective

✓ Test limits of current MMV technology (CMC)

~1000 tons/yr CO₂

✓ Develop new MMV technology for fluid monitoring (CMC)

Primary Target: 290-300 m

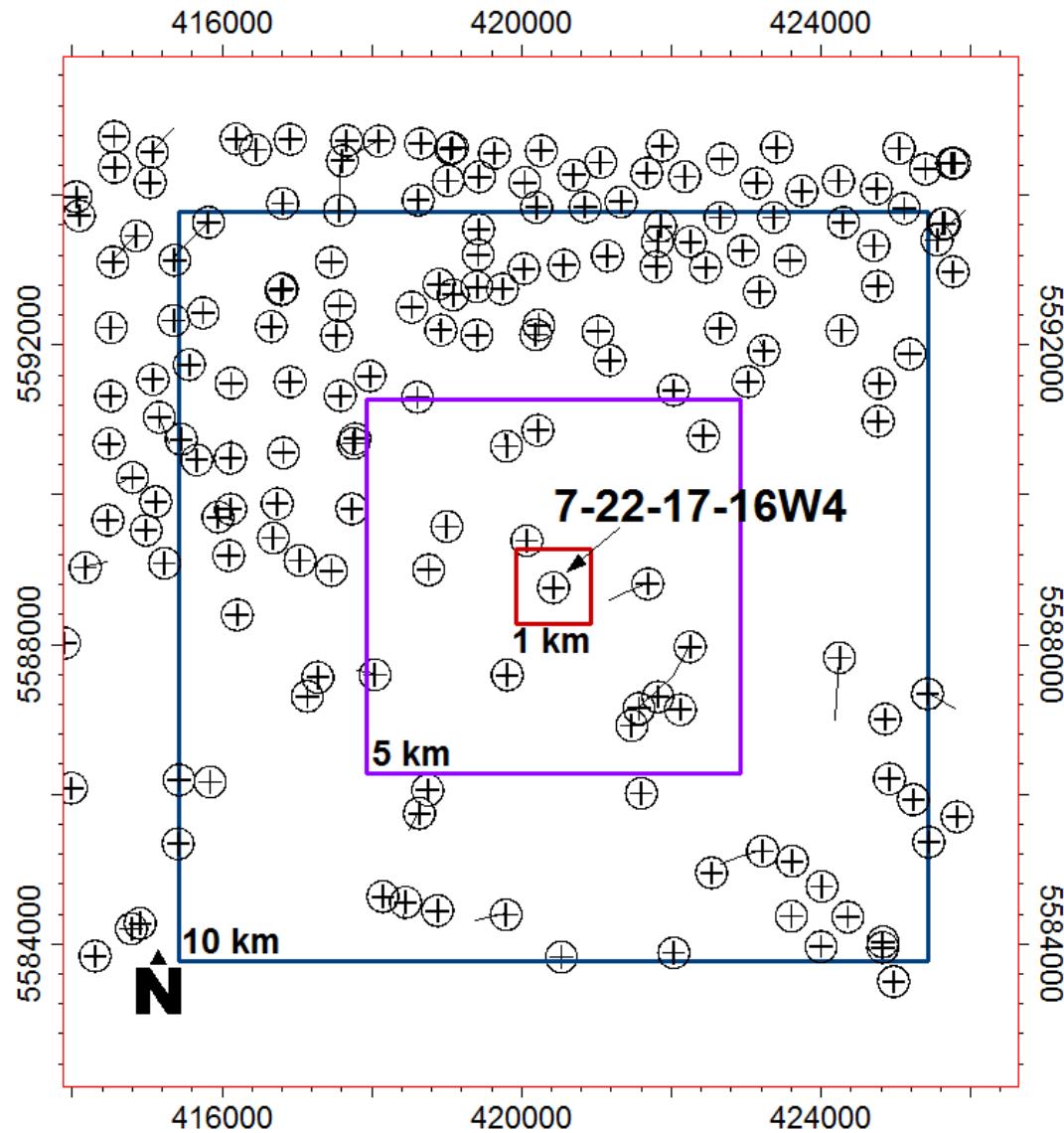
✓ Site used to improve and enhance 4-D seismology (CREWES) for fluid containment and conformance (CMC)

Secondary Target: 480 m

Resources

- **Data Suite (IHS Energy)**
 - 191 wells with digital LAS files (>10 km radius)
 - FRS (5 km x 5 km) = 21 wells
 - Limited core data
 - Deviation surveys and locations
 - Well tops
 - Static water levels – 3 m below surface
- **Software**
 - Schlumberger Canada Ltd.
 - Petrel™ E&P Software Platform 2014.1
 - IHS Energy Canada Ltd.
 - Accumap® and Acculogs® 2013
 - MS Office 2012

Data Coverage



Stratigraphic Column

| McNeil and Caldwell (1981) Webb et al. (2005)* Nielsen and Schröder-Adams (1999)** Leckie and Smith (1992) *** | | | THIS STUDY After Nielsen et al. (2003), Leckie et al. (2004), and Christopher et al. (2006) | | Well Tops Used | | General Lithology | Reservoirs & Seals |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------|--|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| PERIOD | STAGE AGE (Ma) | SEDIMENTARY CYCLES | ALBERTA SOUTHERN PLAINS | | ALBERTA SOUTHERN PLAINS | | | |
| CAMBRIAN | 84 | NIOBRAZ MARINE CYCLOTHEM | REGRESSION | MONTANA GROUP | BEARPAW FORMATION | BEARPAW | | |
| | | | | | OLDMAN FORMATION | OLDMAN | | |
| | | | | | FOREMOST FORMATION | FOREMOST | | Seal |
| | | | | | | BASAL BELLY RIVER SST | | Primary Injection |
| | | | | | PAKOWKI FORMATION | PAKOWKI | | |
| | 87 | NIOBRAZ | TRANSGRES | NIOBRAZ | MILK RIVER FORMATION | MILK RIVER | | |
| | | | | | FIRST WHITE SPECKS MEMBER | COLORADO | | Seal |
| | | | | | MEDICINE HAT MEMBER | MEDICINE HAT | | Secondary Injection |

5 km x 5 km Property Model

- Vertical pillar gridding
- Orientation N-S (in-line with GW flow)

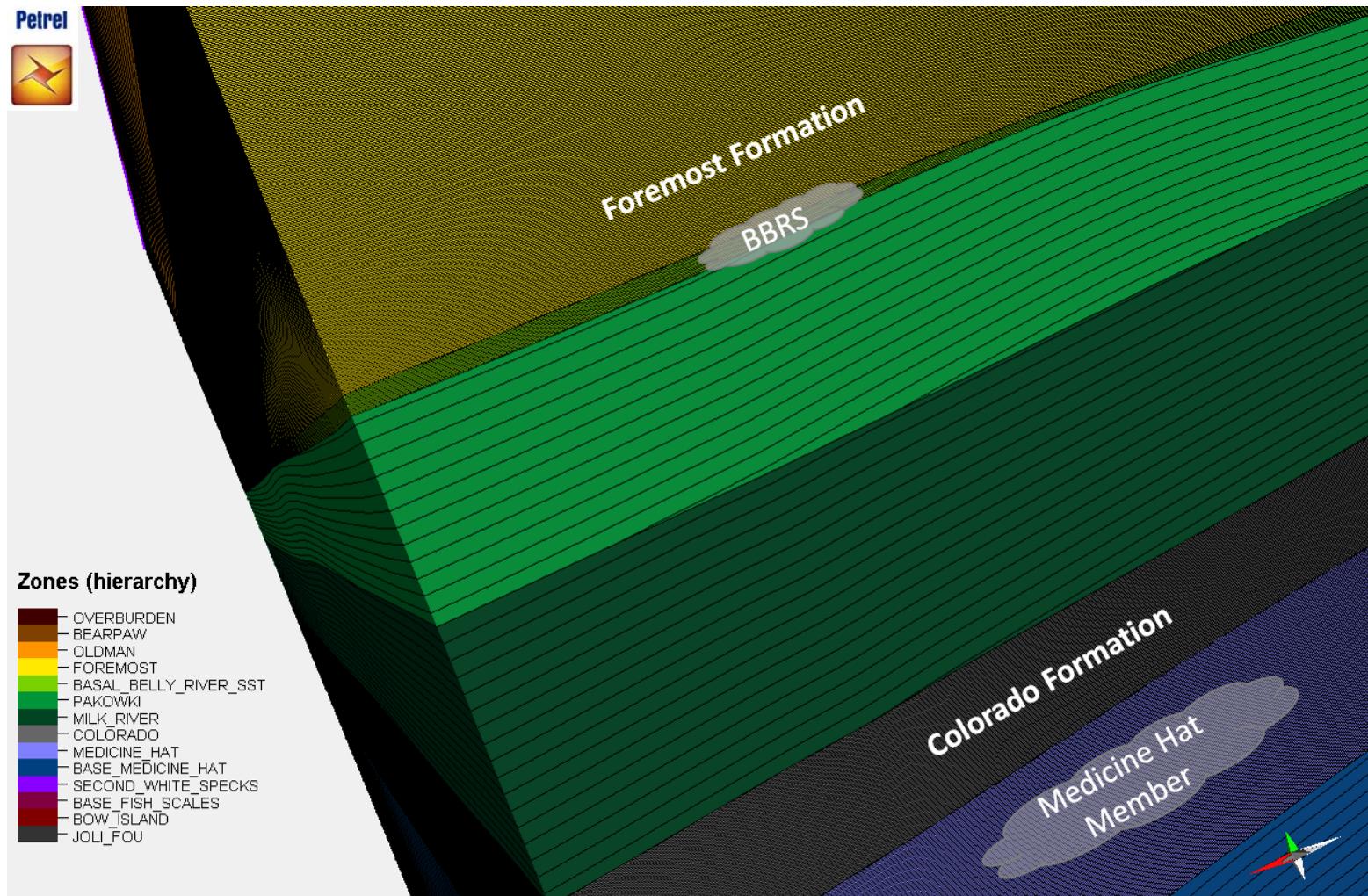
Defined Grid Volume: 200 x 200 x 922 (nI x nJ x nGrid Layers)

- Total #3D cells: **36 million**
- Total # faults: 0
- Horizons honour surfaces
 - Surface generation via interpolation – honours well tops

Layering of Cells

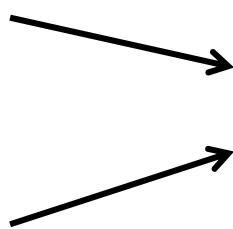
- Reference surface
- Zone division based on cell thickness
 - Seal and Target intervals = 0.5 m
 - Non-important intervals = 5 m

Layered Intervals



Property Calculations

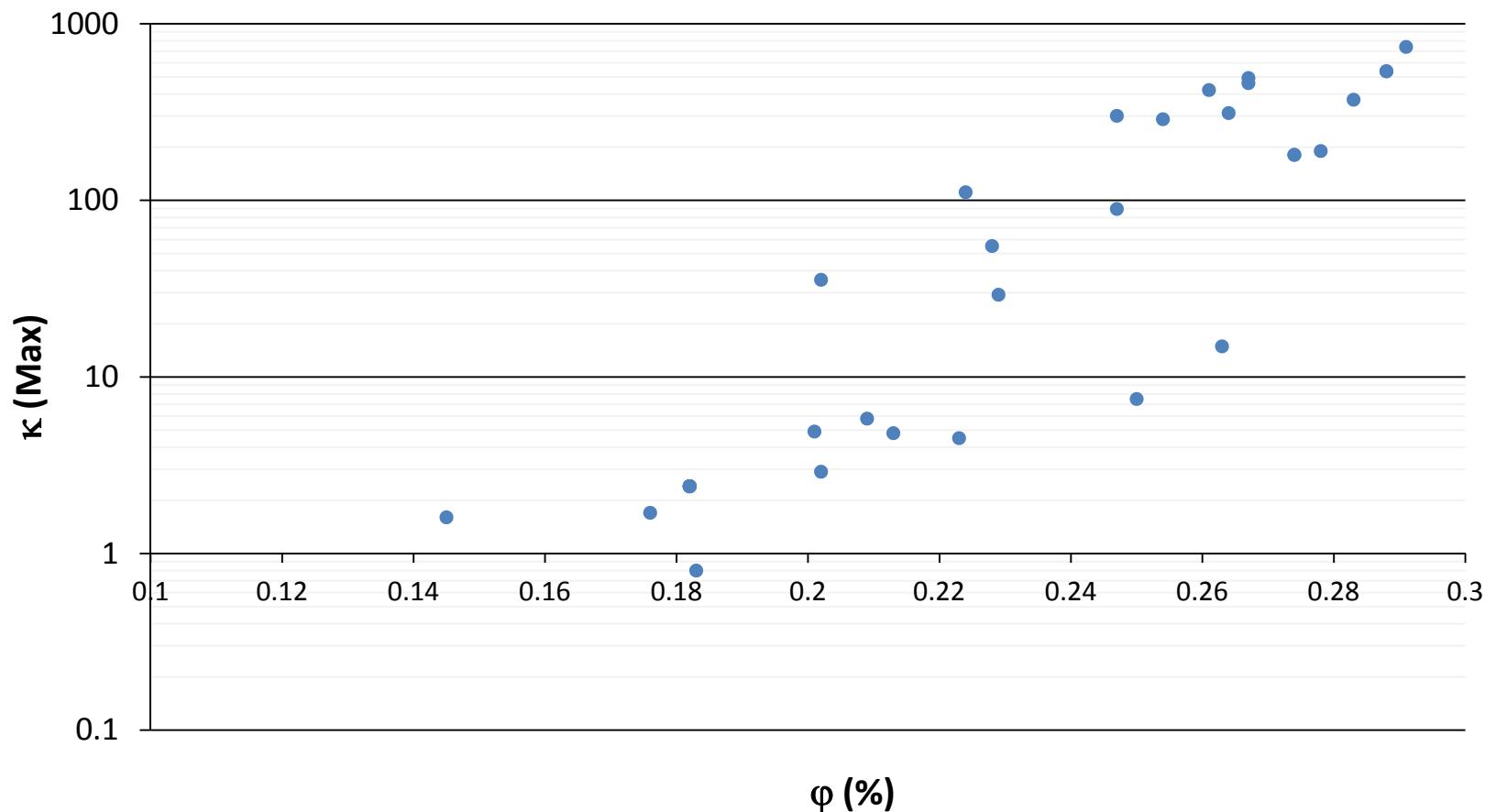
- Well Log Calculator

$$\varphi_{TOT} = \frac{\varphi_{N(SS)} + \varphi_{\rho(SS)}}{2}$$
$$V_{SH} = \frac{\gamma - \gamma_{MIN}}{\gamma_{MAX} - \gamma_{MIN}}$$
$$\varphi_E = \varphi_{TOT}(1 - V_{SH})$$


- Property Calculator
 - Plotted κ and φ_E from core data
 - Use φ_E in equation of best fit to calculate κ

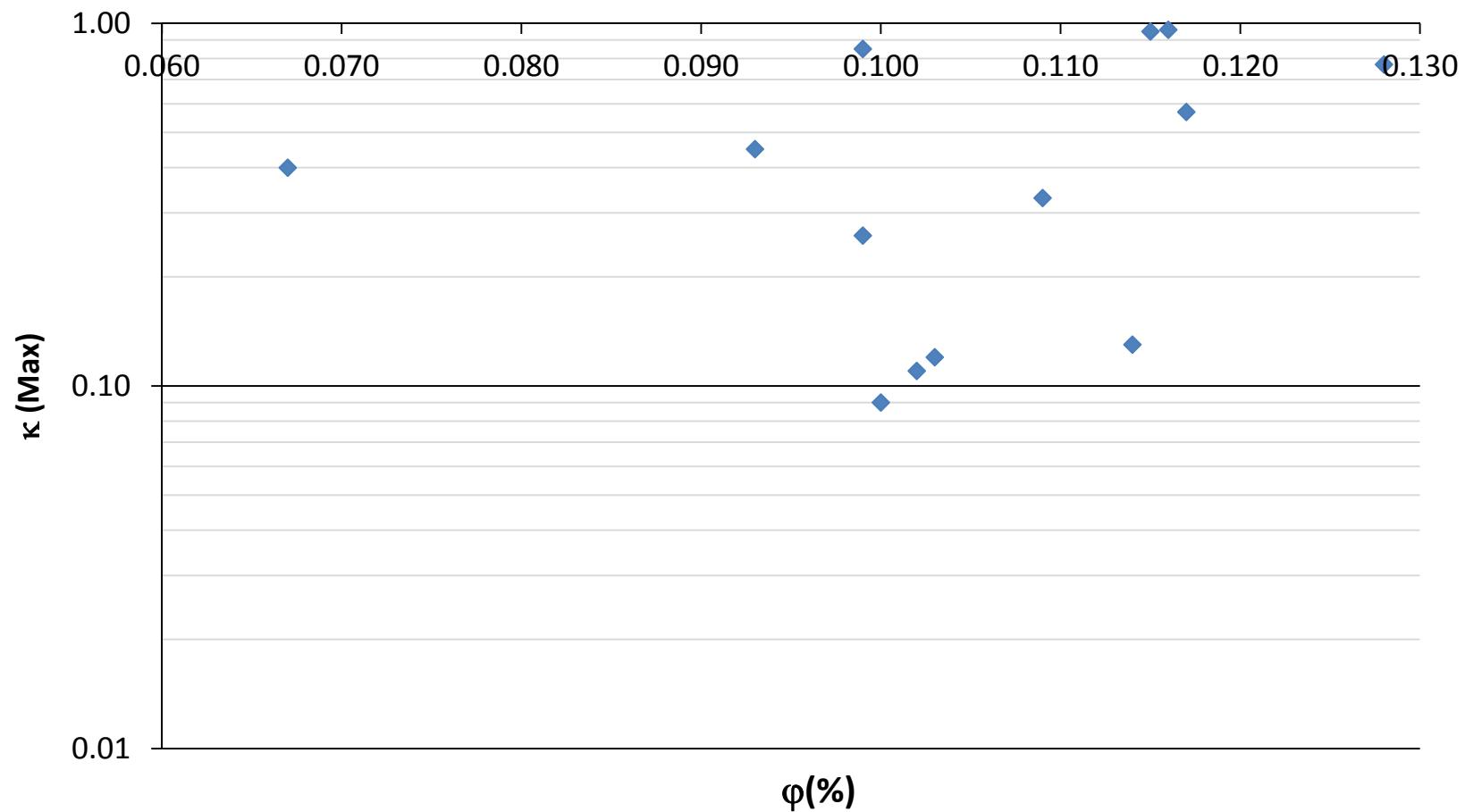
BBRS Core Data

Only two wells – within greater 10 km outside FRS



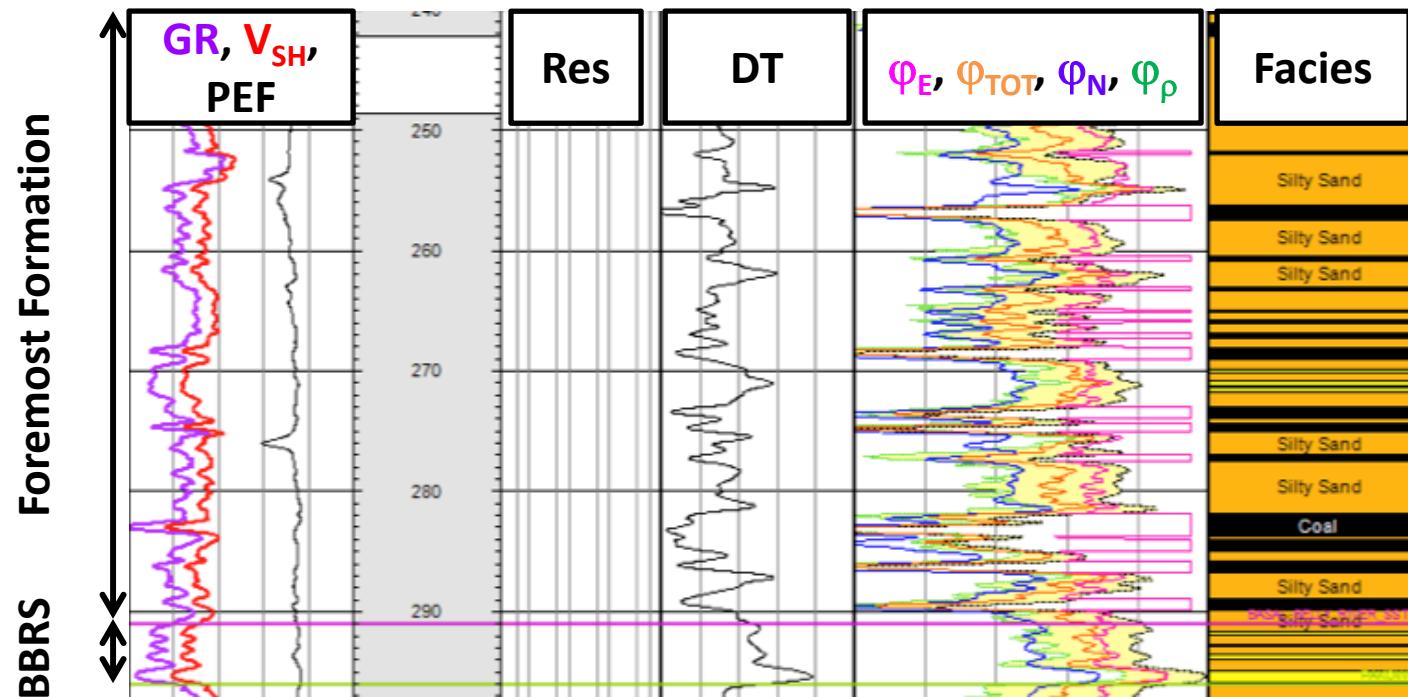
Medicine Hat Member Core Data

Only one well – within greater 10 km outside FRS



Log Cut-offs for V_{SH} and Coal

| Facies | Log Cut-off |
|------------|---|
| Coal | RHOB<2; DT>130; PHI_E>0.26; PHIE_E=0.03 |
| Shale | GR>95 |
| Silty-Sand | 50<GR<95 |
| Sand | GR<50 |

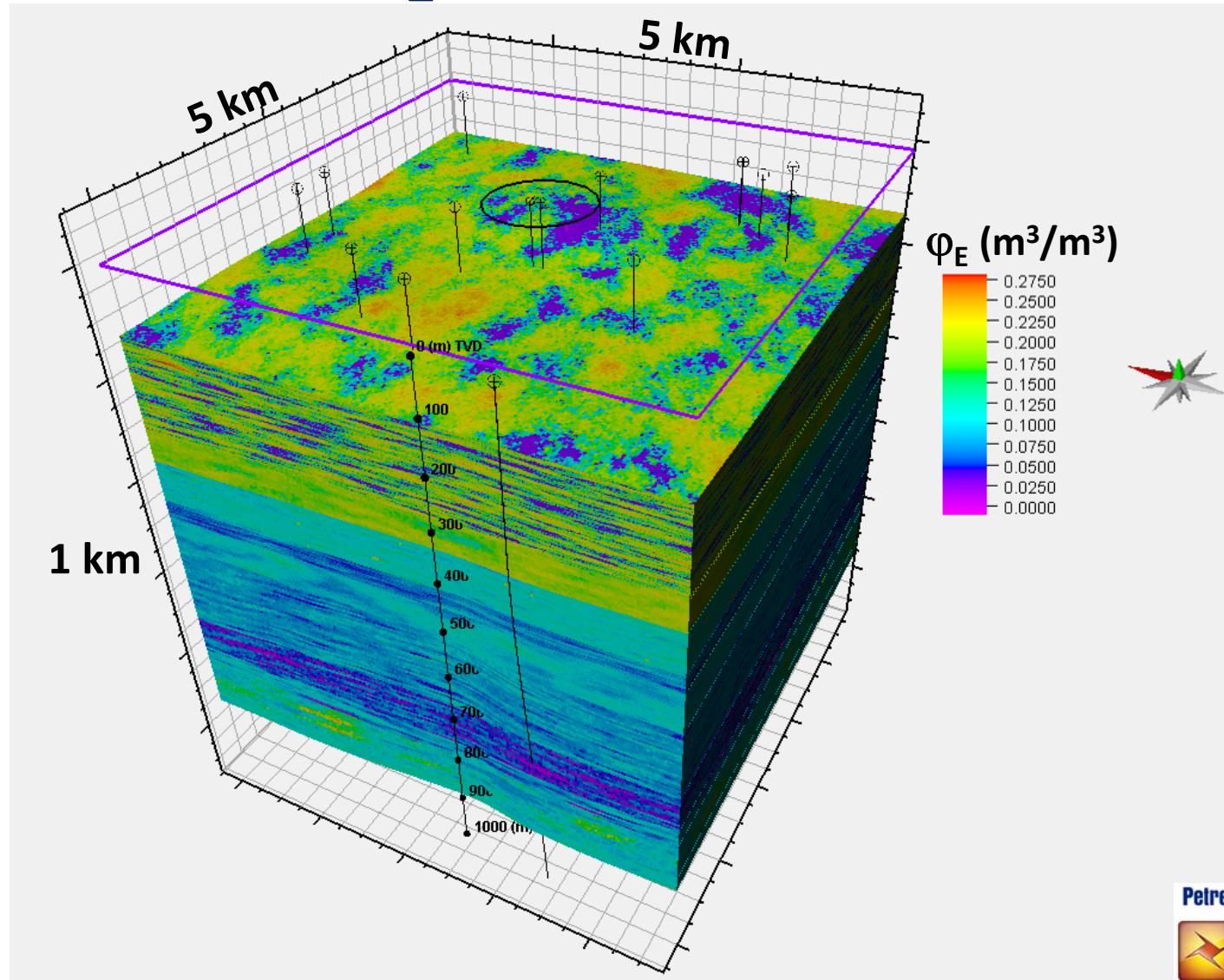


Petrophysical Modeling

- **Gaussian random function simulation algorithm**
 - Conditional Simulation = kriging + unconditional simulation
 - Parallelized = fast computation time
 - Models expected variability and distribution in input data

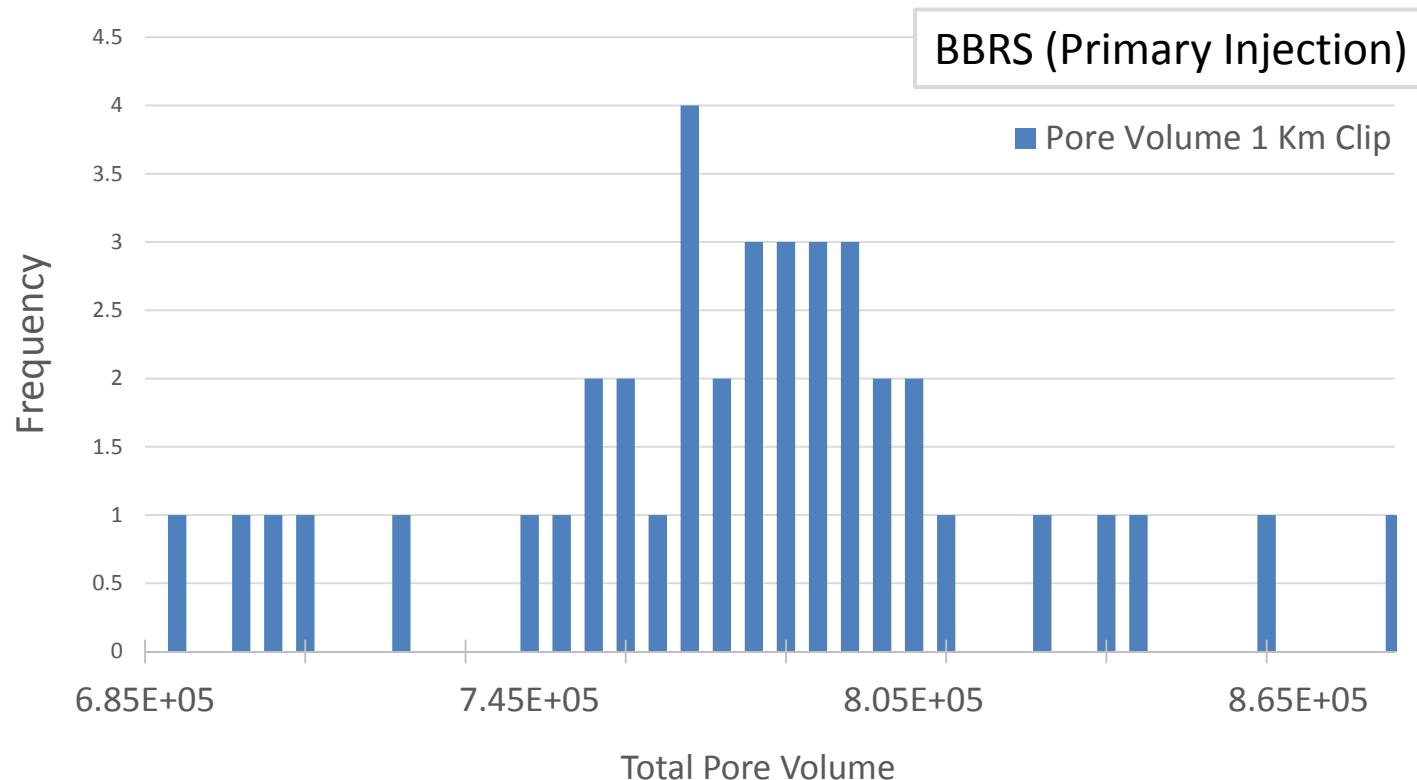
| Interval | Type | $\Phi_E(\%)$ | | $\kappa \text{ (mD)}$ | |
|------------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| | | May 2014 Computation | Nov 2014 Computation | May 2014 Computation | Nov 2014 Computation |
| Foremost Fm | Seal | 0-26 | 0-28 | 0-55 | 0-360 |
| BBRS | Target | 0-25 | 0-27 | 0-85 | 0-300 |
| Colorado | Seal | 0-17 | 0-14 | 0-0.46 | 0-0.57 |
| Medicine Hat Mbr | Target | 0-13 | 0-18 | 0.02-2.5 | 0-1 |

Populated φ_E 5 km x 5 km model

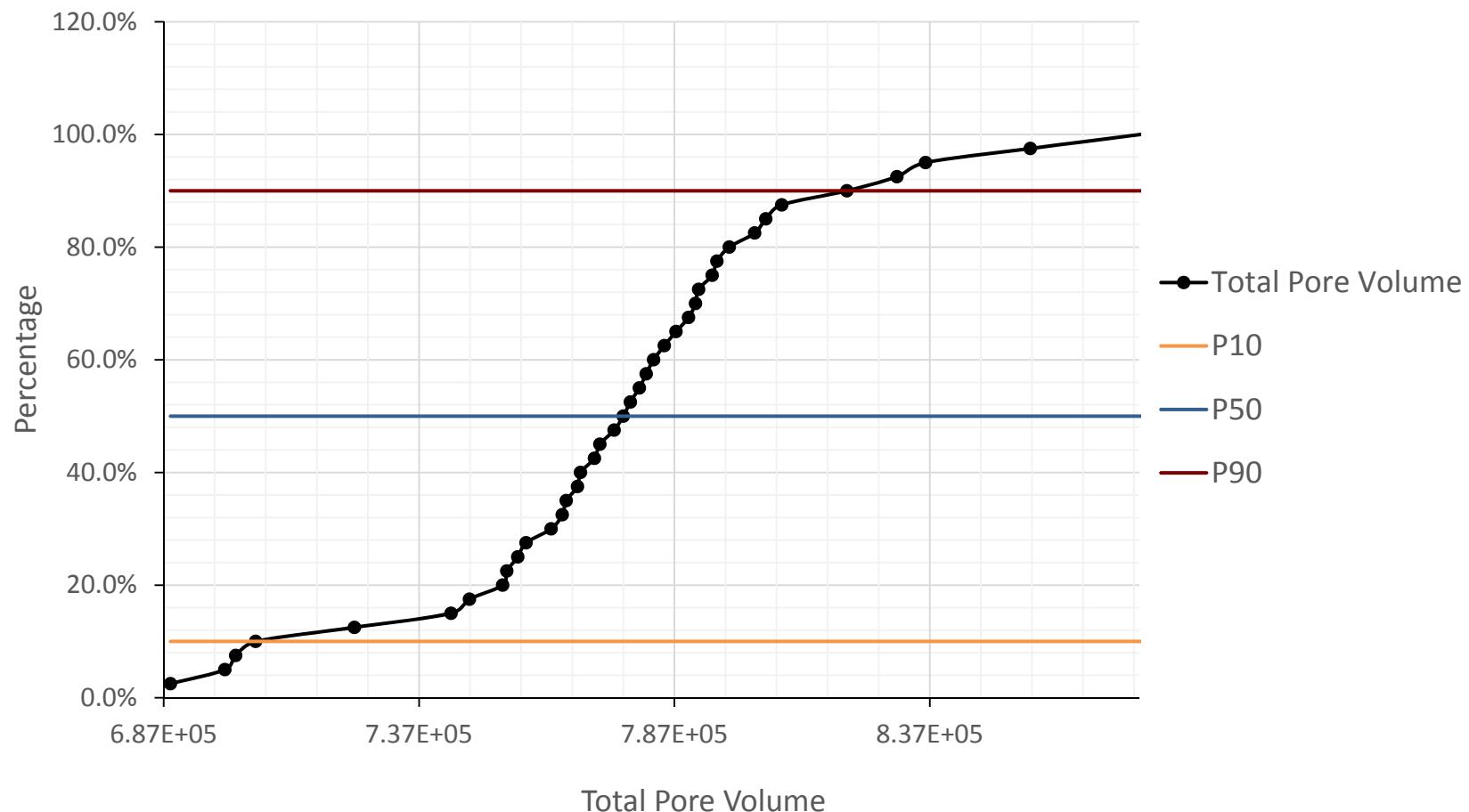


P10/50/90 Framework

- Conservative/Typical/Optimistic values
- Both φ_E and κ were modeled: 40 iterations



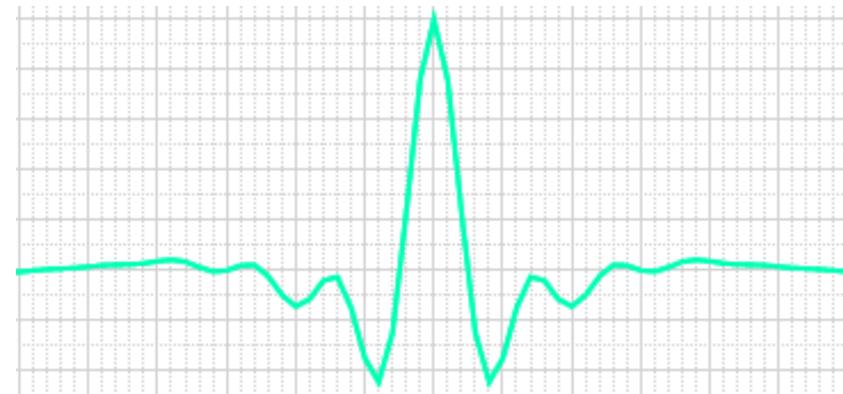
P10/50/90 Framework for BBRS



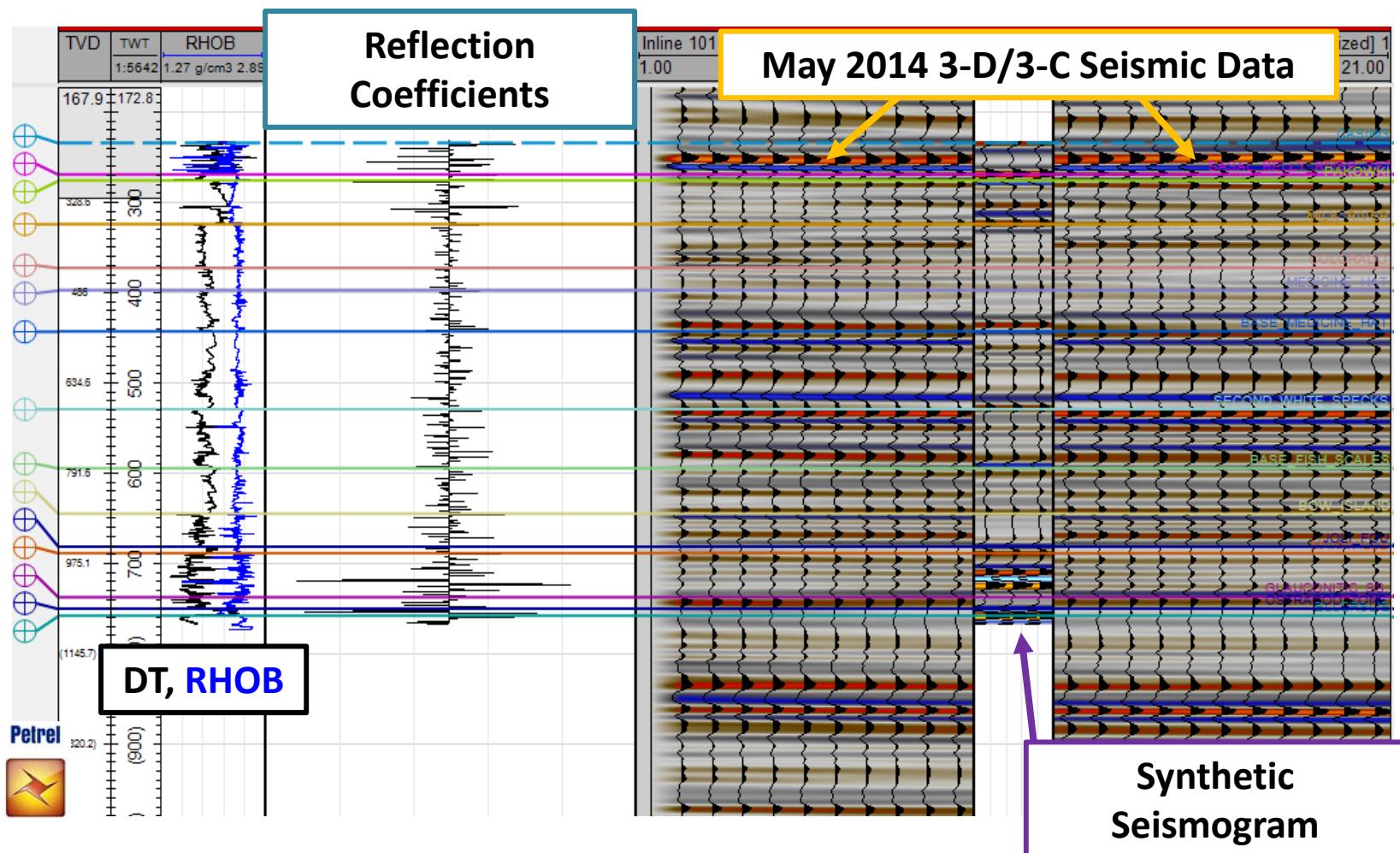
4 km x 5 km Geophysical Model

- **Well-ties & Synthetic Seismograms**
 - 8 Well-ties to two 3D seismic reflection volumes
 - '97 Vintage 3D/1C – Cenovus Energy
 - '14 May 3D/3C – CMC
 - Replacement velocity: 2600 m/s
 - SRD: 800 m
 - **NO** checkshot data available – TDR developed on DT

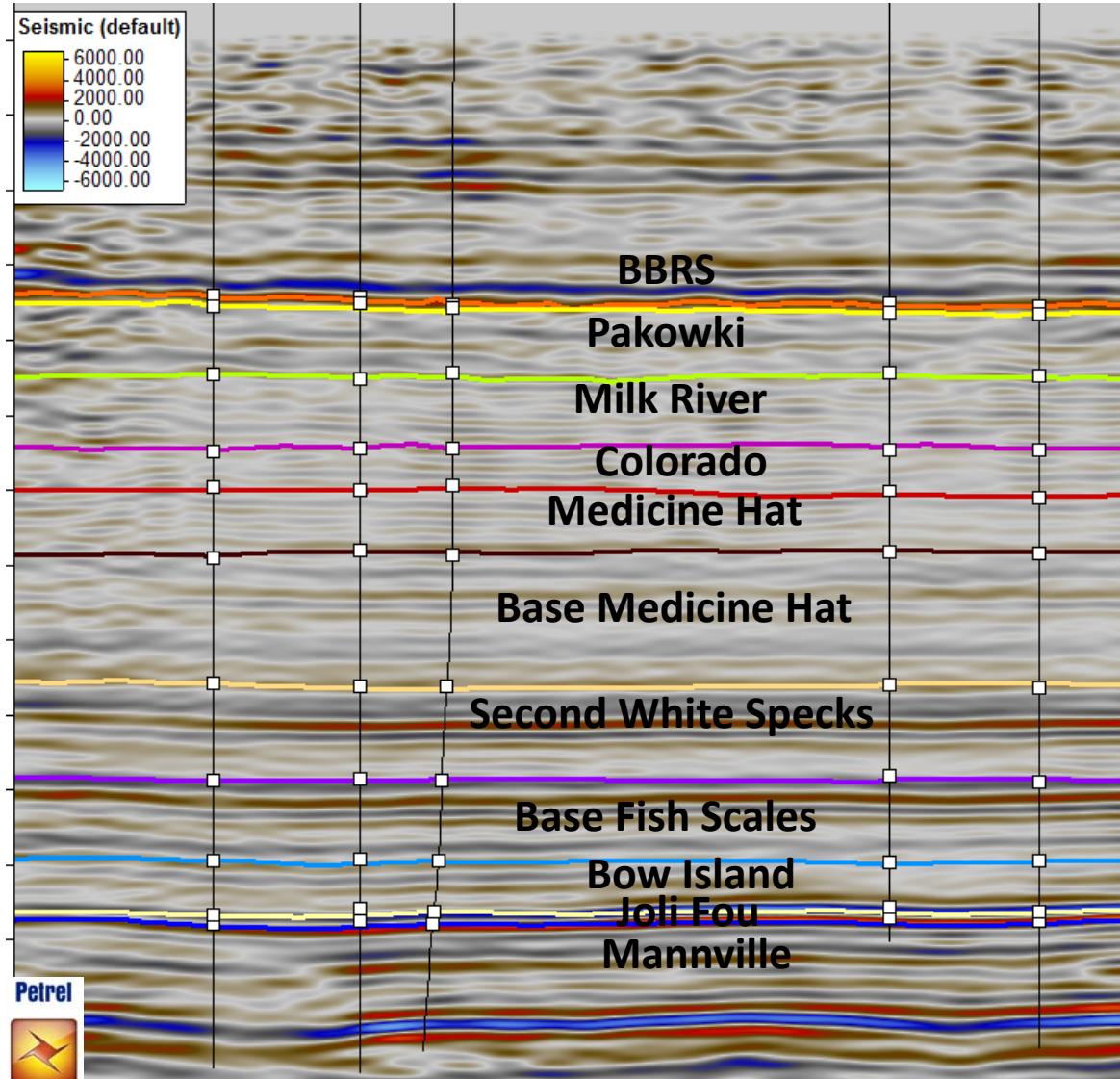
- **Wavelet**
 - Zero-Phase Ormsby
 - (15/20-75/95)
 - Length: 200 ms
 - Sample Rate: 2 ms



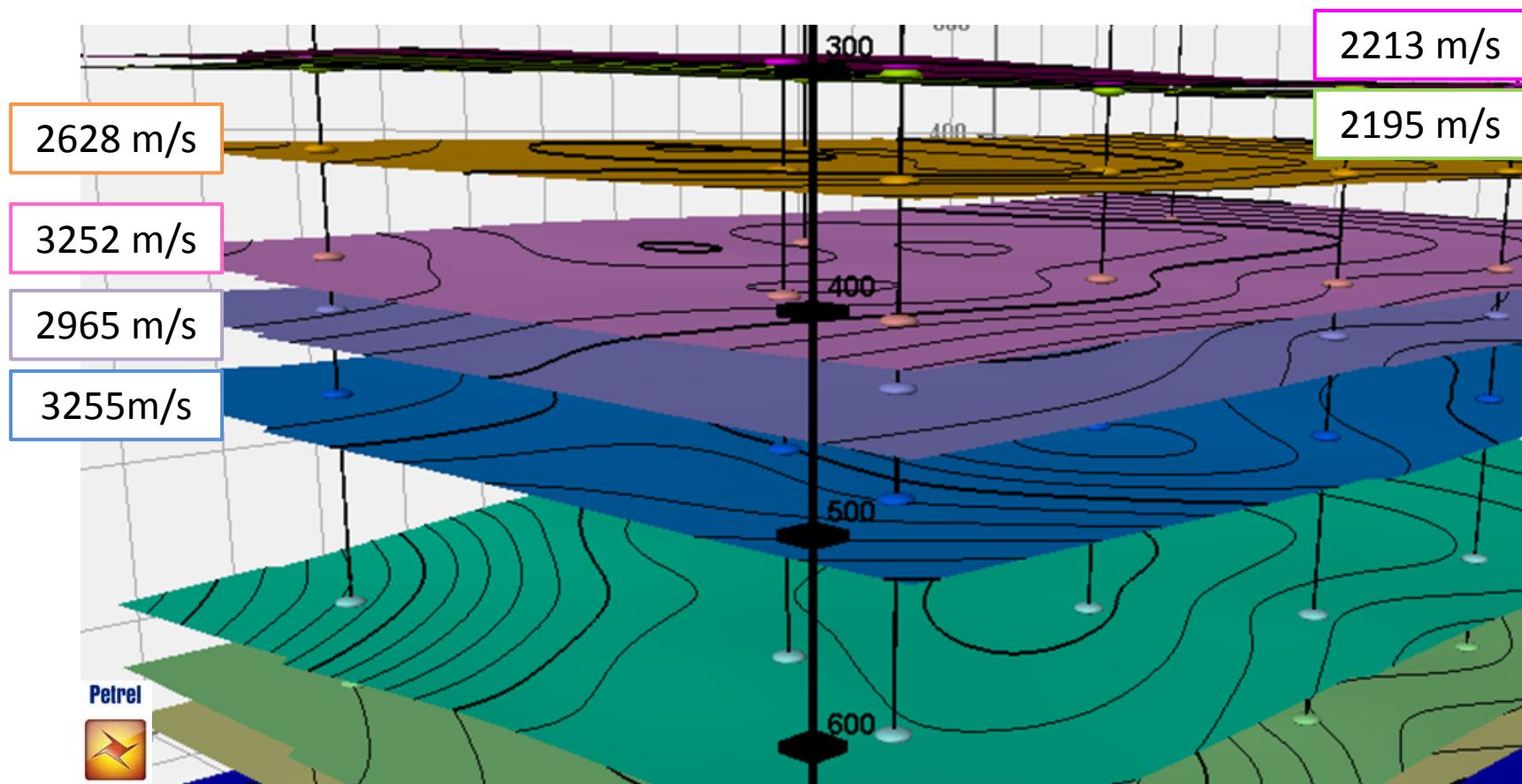
Synthetic Seismogram at 7-22



Five tied wells to '97 3D Vintage

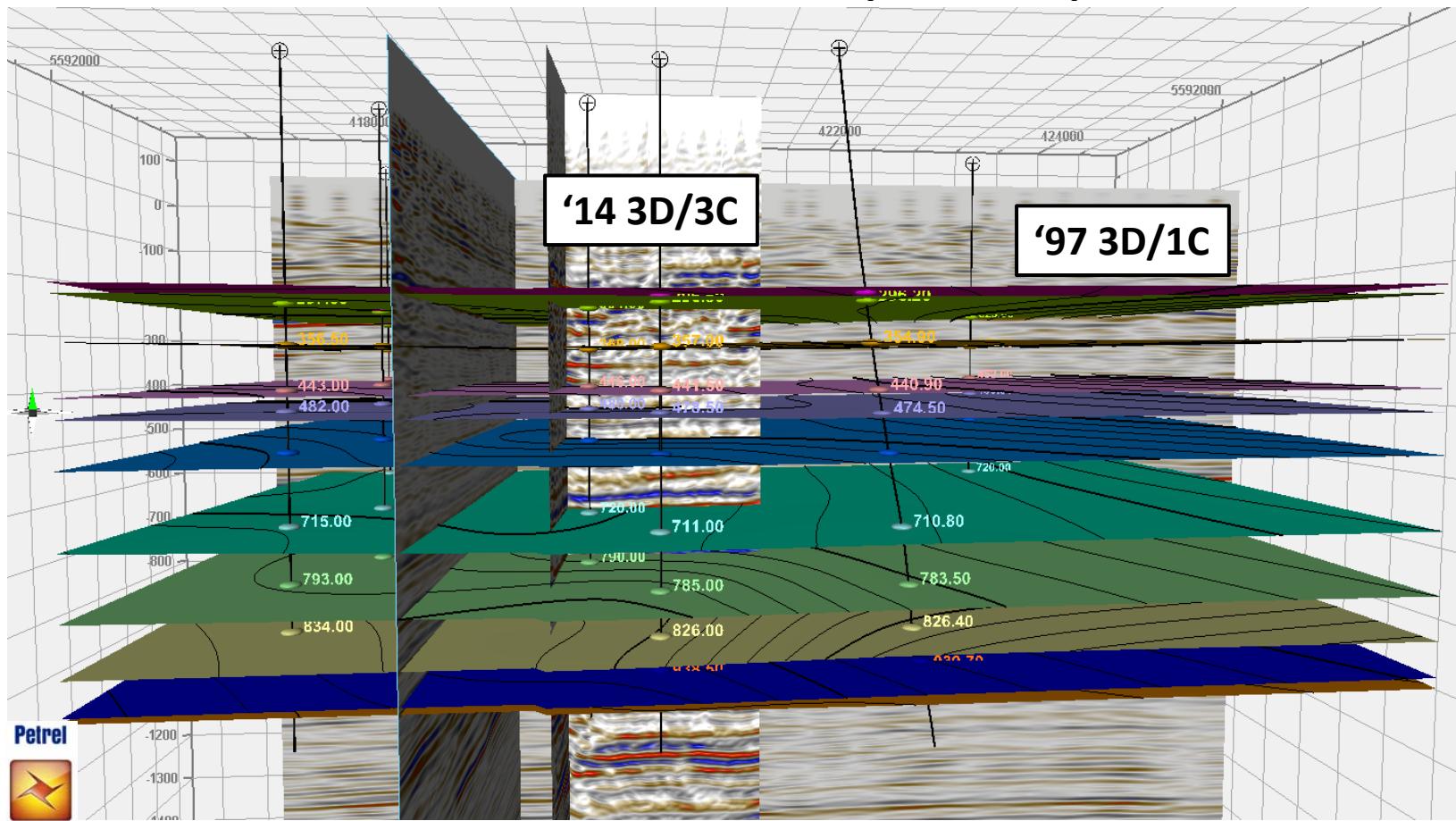


Depth Conversion - Velocity Modeling

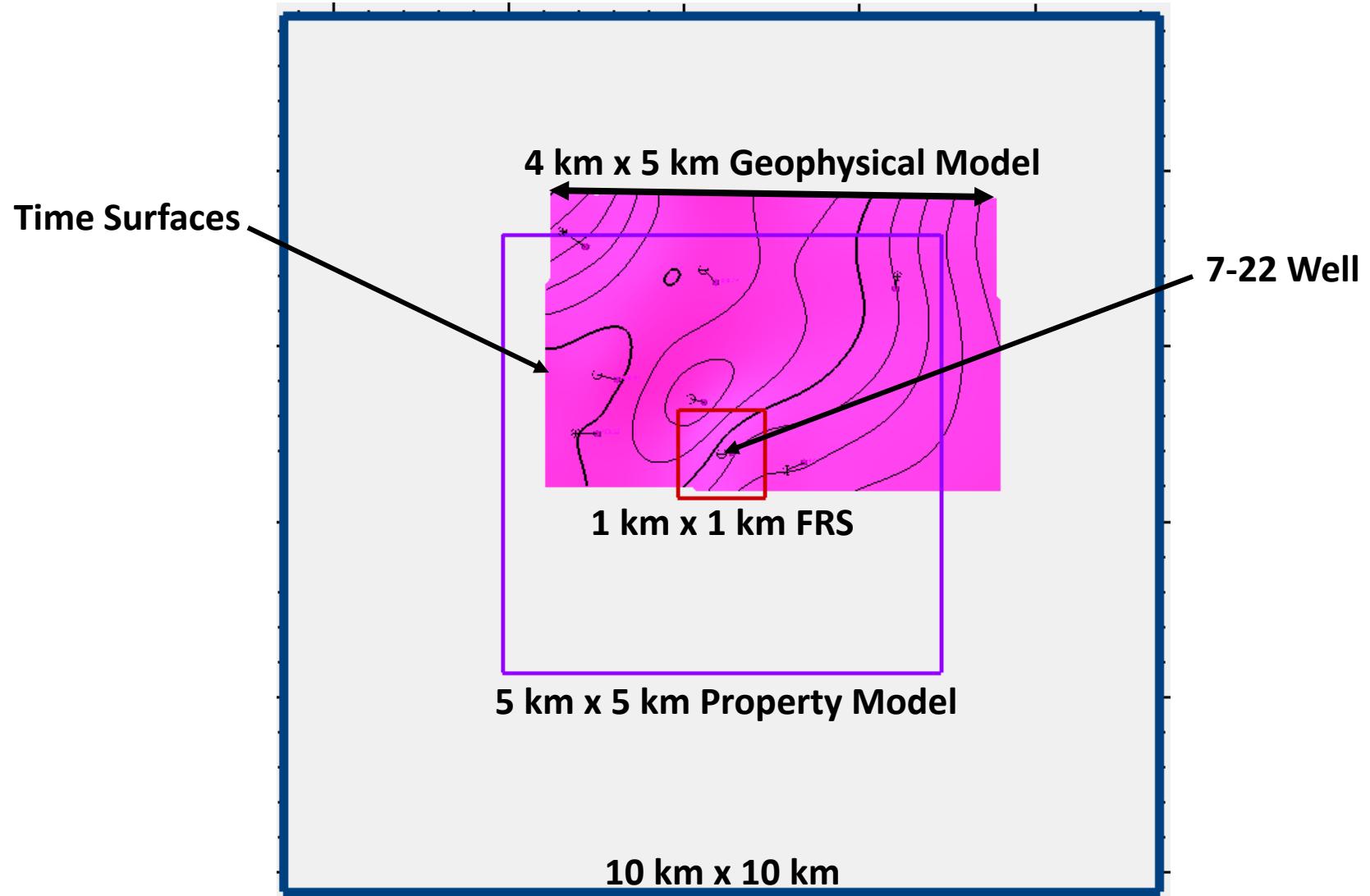


Model Update

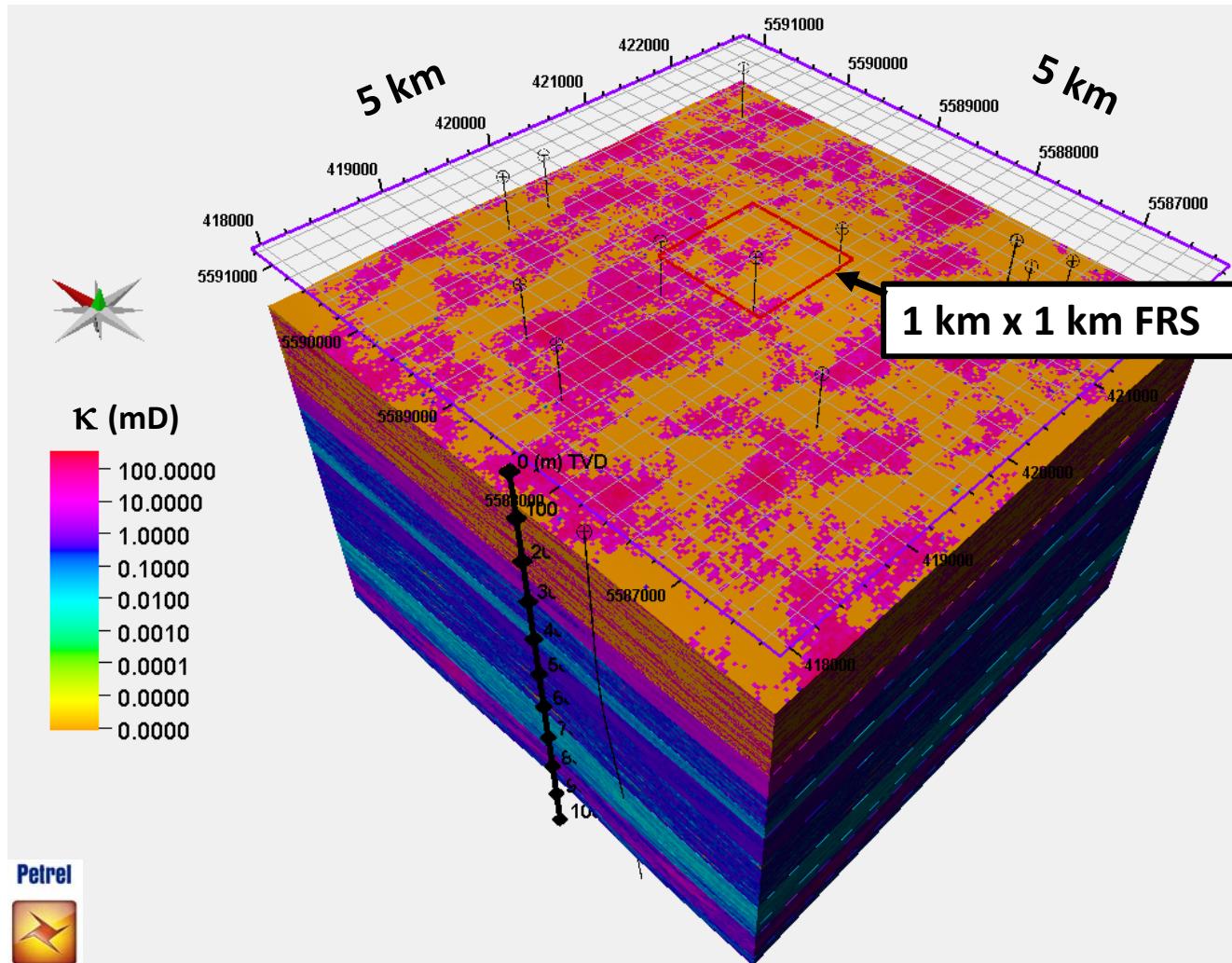
- Weighted 75% depth-converted seismic horizons and 25% well-top interpretation



Model Update



1 km x 1 km Integrated FRS Model



Conclusions

- Developed 5 x 5 km property and 4 x 5 km geophysical model
 - From existing well, core, and seismic data
- Built-in workflows and mechanics
 - Can be easily updated
- P10/50/90 statistics for φ_E and κ
 - Both primary and secondary injection intervals
- BBRS: φ_E : 0-27% κ : 0-360 mD
- Medicine Hat Mbr: φ_E : 0-18% κ : 0-1 mD

Ongoing & Future Work

- Identify sandstone zones in Medicine Hat Mbr using shallow resistivity log
- Simulation of fluid injection
- Study behaviour of P- & S-waves on intervals of injection
- Update model with new logs and core from drilled well

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