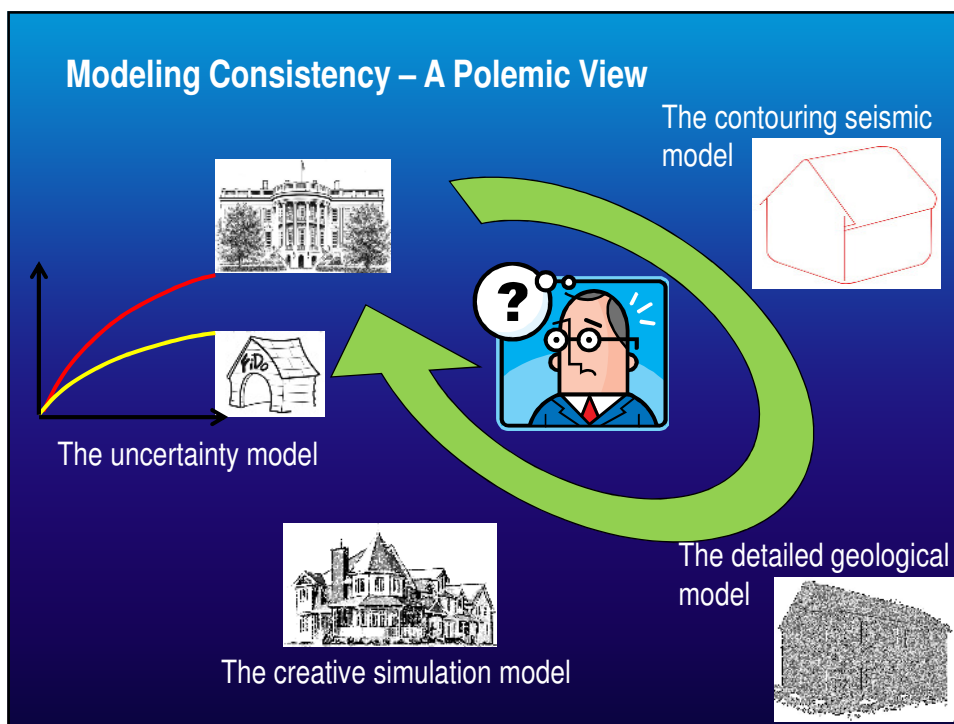


Integration Requirements for Cross-Disciplinary Uncertainty Quantification turn Workflows into a Big-loop and Big-data Exercise?

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Abstract

- Reservoir model validation and uncertainty quantification workflows have significantly developed over recent years. Different optimization approaches were introduced and requirements for consistent uncertainty quantification workflows changed. Most of all integration requirements across multiple domains (big-loop) increase the complexity of workflow designs and amount of data (big-data) processed in the course of workflow execution. This triggers new requirements for the choice of optimization and uncertainty quantification methods in order to add value to decision processes in reservoir management. In this session we will discuss an overview on existing methods and perspectives for new methodologies based on parameter screening, proxy-based as well as analytical sensitivity approaches.



Modeling Consistency Challenges

What have we learnt from history matching?

How do we incorporate results into the detailed model?


How do we ensure next modeling pass is better?


What are the pros and cons of different history matching approaches on behalf of providing information or models to 'close-the-loop'?

What should be best practice based on current technology?

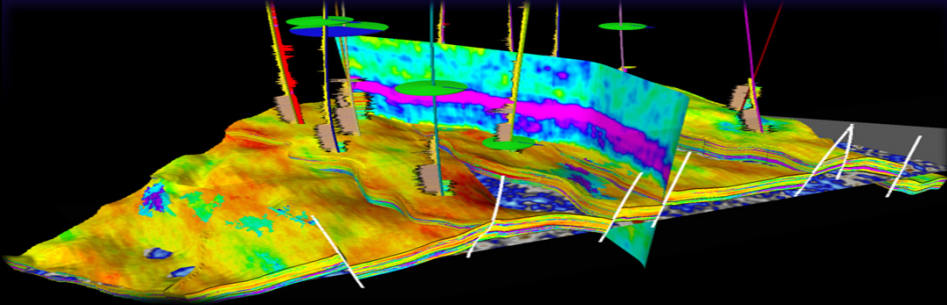
What is best practice in 5 years' time?

Shared Earth Model





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- The shared earth model is important in four ways:
 - It is a central part of the reservoir-characterization team's work
 - It ensures cross-disciplinary data consistency
 - It allows each discipline to measure how its own interpretation fits with other specialty models
 - It leads to a more-consistent global model

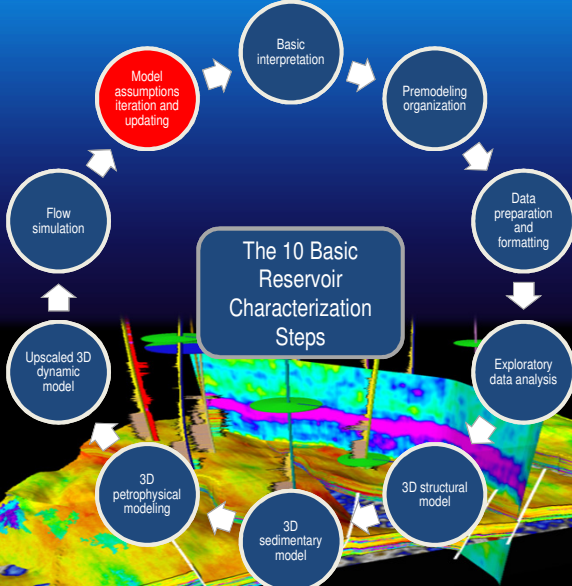


Shared Earth Model



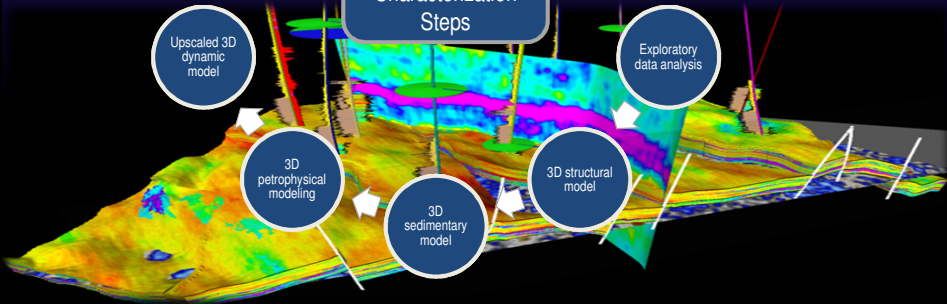
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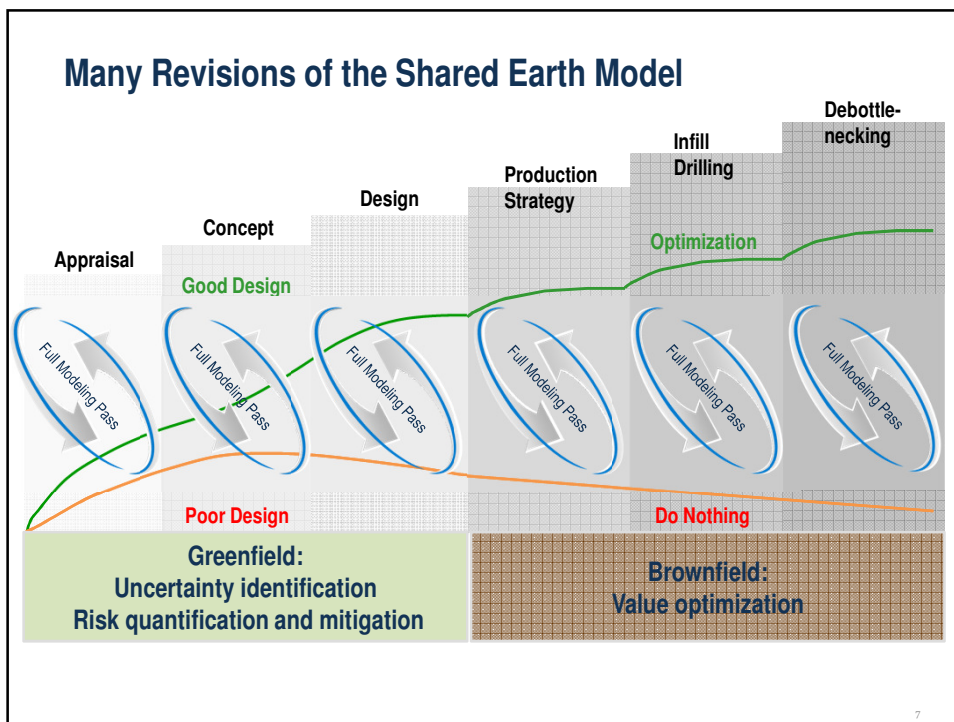
The 10 Basic Reservoir Characterization Steps



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                A[Basic interpretation] --> B[Pre modeling organization]
                B --> C[Data preparation and formatting]
                C --> D[Exploratory data analysis]
                D --> E[3D structural model]
                E --> F[3D sedimentary model]
                F --> G[3D petrophysical modeling]
                G --> H[Upscaled 3D dynamic model]
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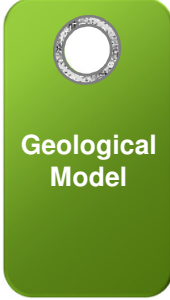


Challenge – Cross-disciplinary Modeling Consistency


Resolve the common challenge of having

- geo models,
- reservoir simulations models and
- uncertainty estimates (p10, p50 and p90s etc)


out of sync after history matching projects



Geological Model

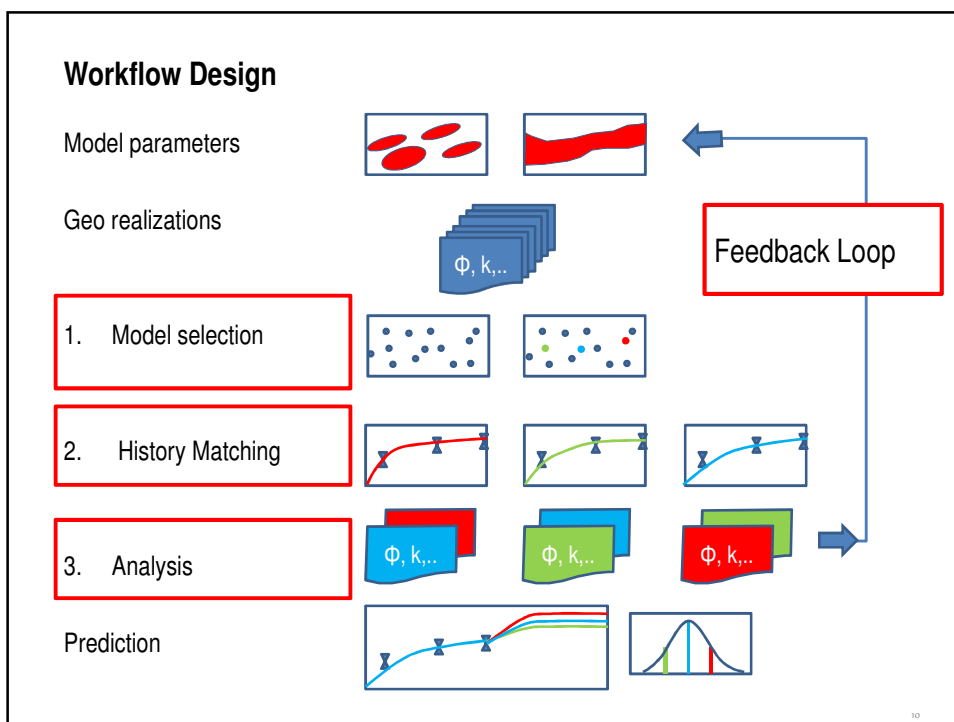
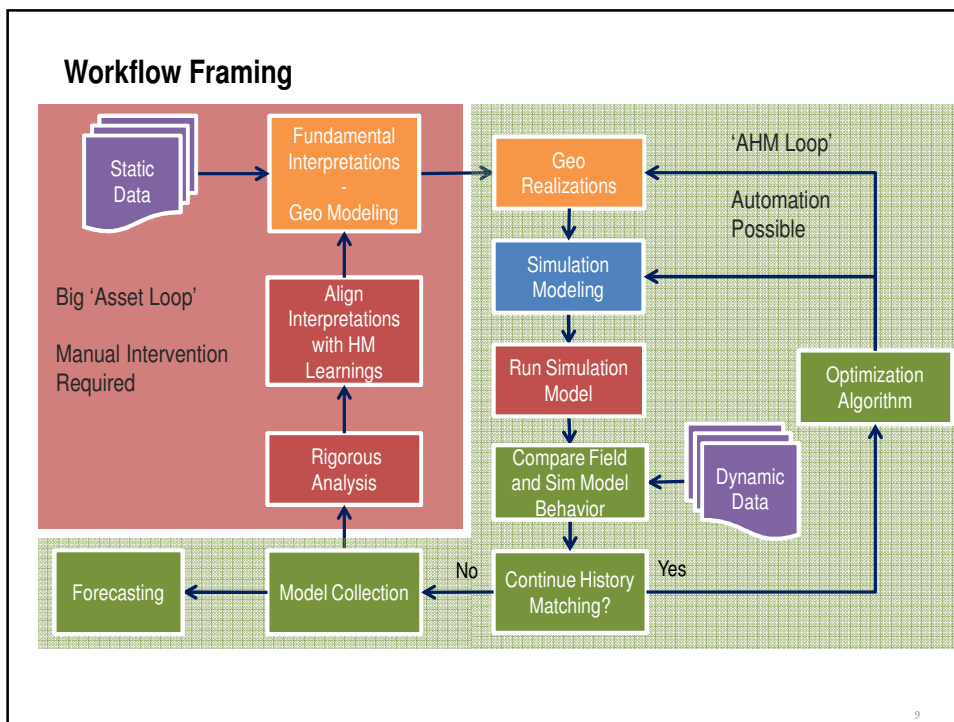


Reservoir Simulation Model

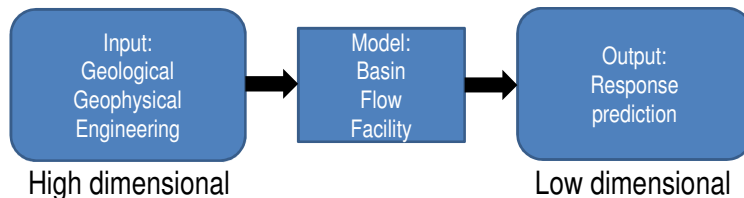


Uncertainty Model

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Model Selection – Dimensional Reduction



- Screening of geological models based on, e.g.,
 - Volumetric parameters
 - Connectivity
 - Field production rates, etc.
- Apply projection and clustering techniques for selecting set of distinct models.
- Combine existing and newly developed software components in an integrated workflow.

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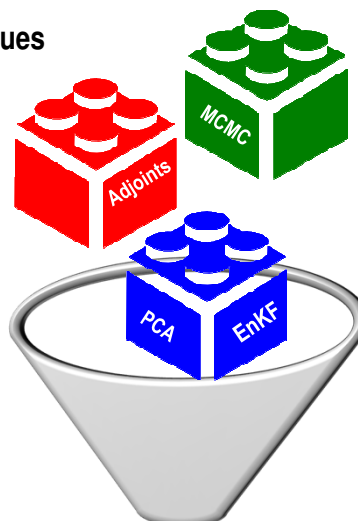
History Matching – Optimization Techniques

A variety of history matching optimization approaches with a particular requirements and target areas are available.

The future focus should be on the potential for successfully aligning the geo and reservoir simulation models

Criteria, e.g.:

- Reliability
- Universality
- Efficiency
- Automation
- Data storage requirements
- Feedback algorithms



History matching supporting modelling consistency

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Principal Component Analysis

Optimization Approach

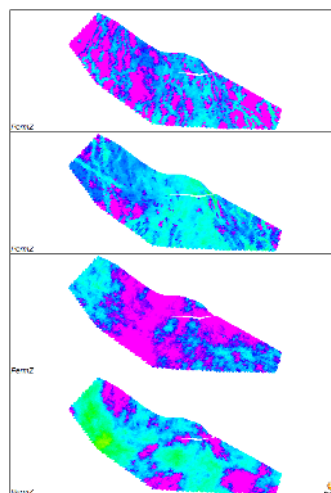
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Geologically constrained history matching with PCA

Michael D. Prange, Thomas P. Dombrowsky and William J. Bailey
first break volume 30, November 2012

Principal Component Analysis

- (Linear) Principal Component Analysis (PCA) is often mentioned and discussed in connection with:
 - Multi-Dimensional Scaling (MDS)
 - Proper Orthogonal Decomposition (POD)
 - Karhunen–Loève Transform (K-LT)
- The main scope is to find key features in a number of models, i.e., components which can be included in an optimization approach, e.g., history matching.



Source: SDR

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Example: PCA Dimension Reduction

$\mathbf{m}_A = \{\phi, k\}$

This is a cartoon representing just one point – model 'A' – in a high-dimensional model space.

Think of this plot as representing the whole of \mathbf{m}_A . We can only show two co-ordinates of 1 point.

$$\mathbf{m}_A = \begin{Bmatrix} \phi_{[1,1]} \\ \vdots \\ \phi_{[n,n]} \\ k_{[1,1]} \\ \vdots \\ k_{[n,n]} \end{Bmatrix}$$

Source: SDR 15

How: Model Space → Feature Space

Step 1
"Model Space"

Correlated points in model space
Compute Covariance Matrix

- Eigenvectors are axes of ellipse
- Eigenvalues are axis lengths

These axes define a new (optimal) rotated coordinate system

Axes of small variation are **crushed** to zero

- Dimension reduction
- Points are projected onto remaining axes

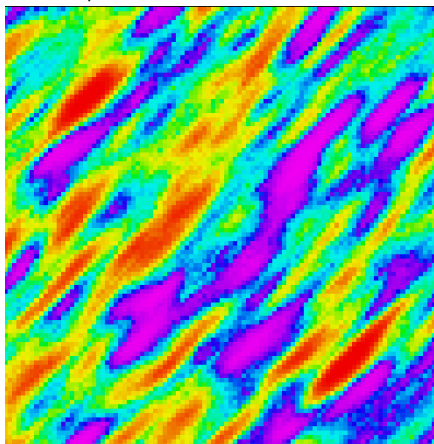
Axes of large variation are unaffected

Step 2
After "crushing" we enter "Feature Space"

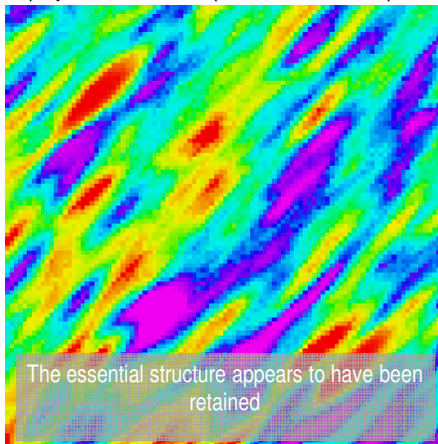
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How: PCA Retains Structure

Model Space



A projection of Model Space into Feature Space



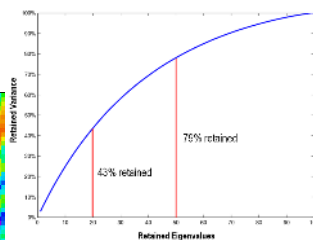
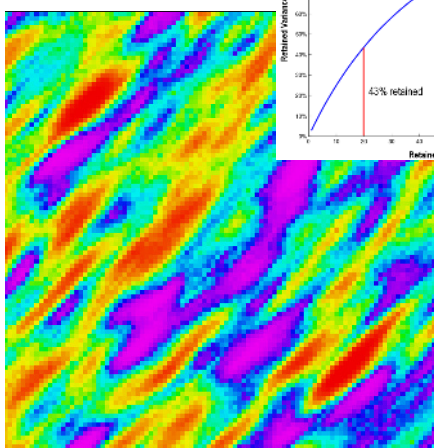
Example: $d = 10000$ (cells)
 $n = 100$ (prior models)

$k = 50$ (principal components)

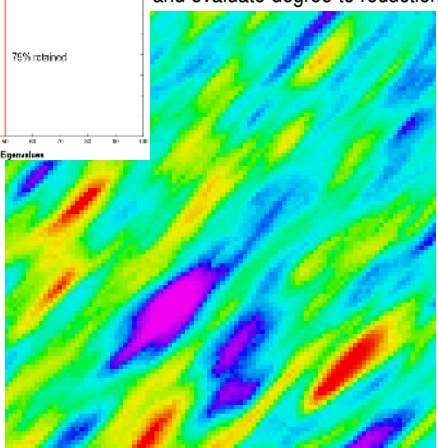
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How: Some Structure Still Visible



Pre-compute "information loss" and evaluate degree to reduction

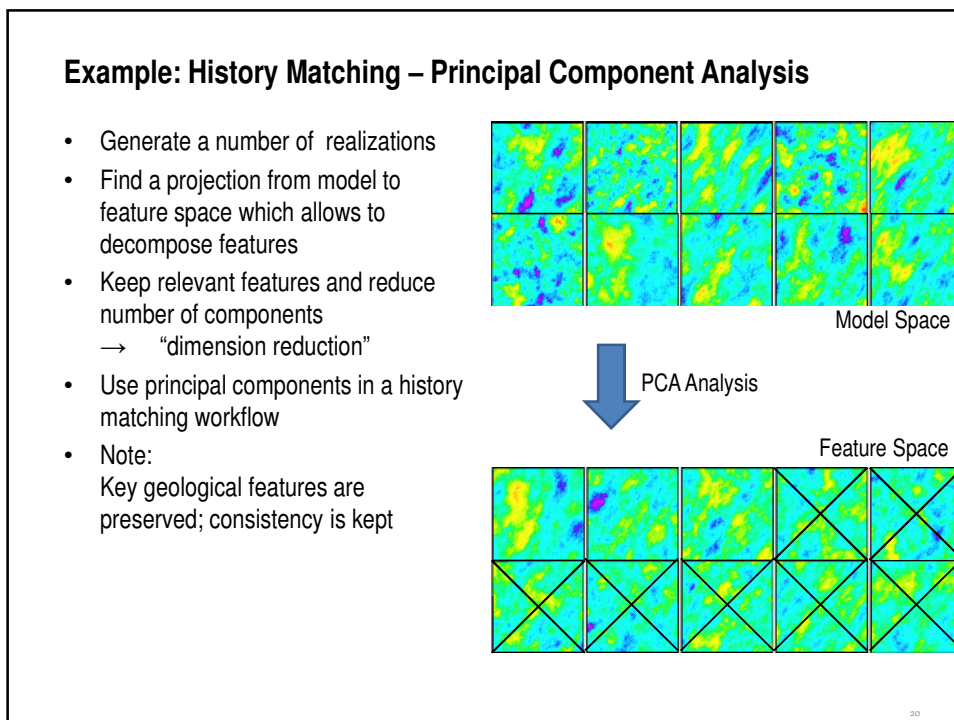
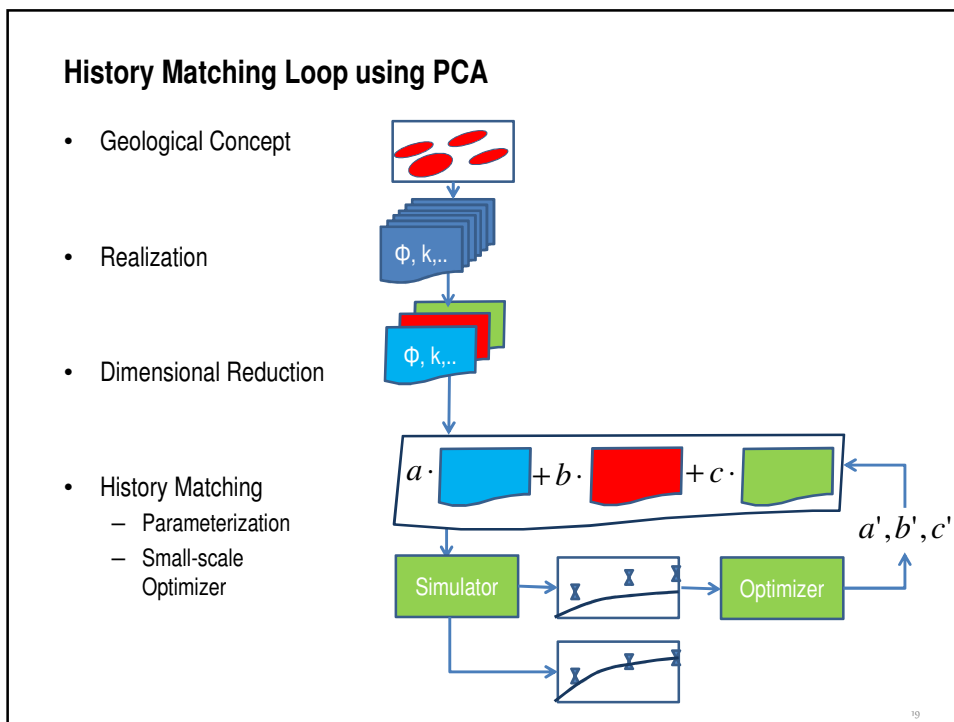


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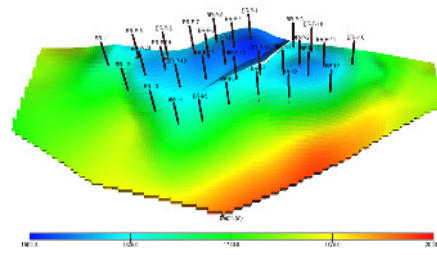
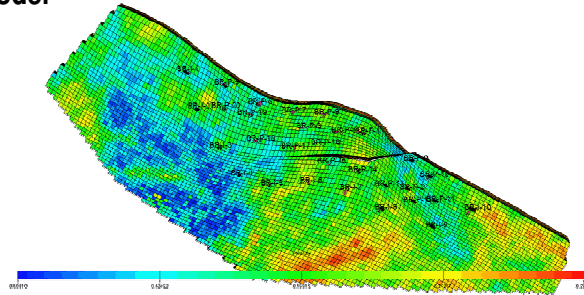


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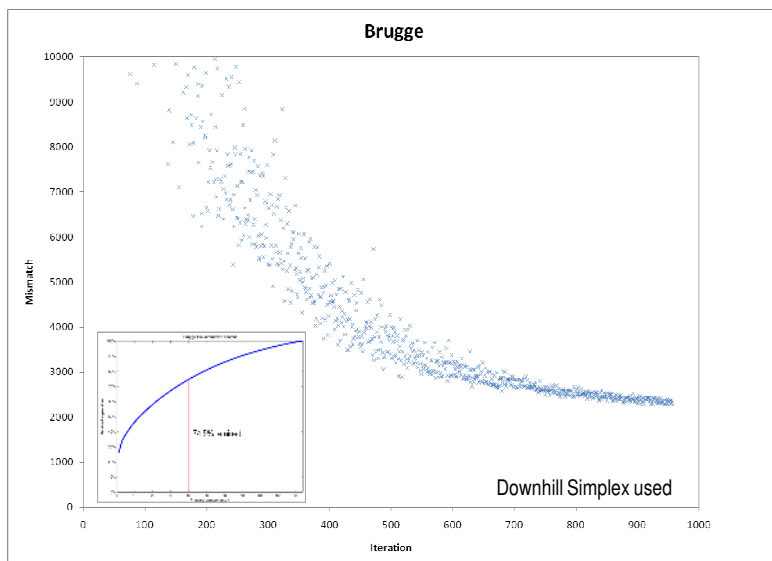
- Benchmark case prepared by TNO cf. Peters et al. SPE119094

- Scope
 - Closed loop production optimization workflow

- Delivery
 - 100+ realizations
 - 10 injectors, 20 producers
 - Production data for 10 years
 - Well constraints for future production scenarios



Optimization To Reduce Misfit

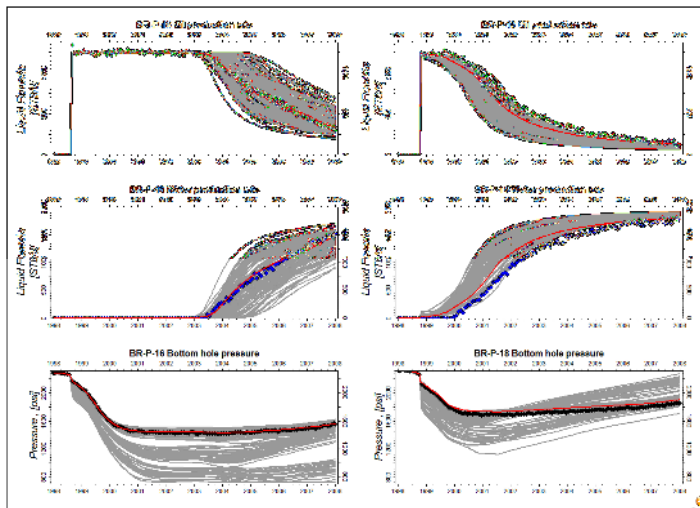


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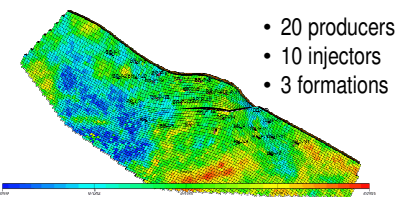
Validation

- PCA approach was capable to find a model which reproduces well production data.
- All implemented model changes conform with the geological information provided



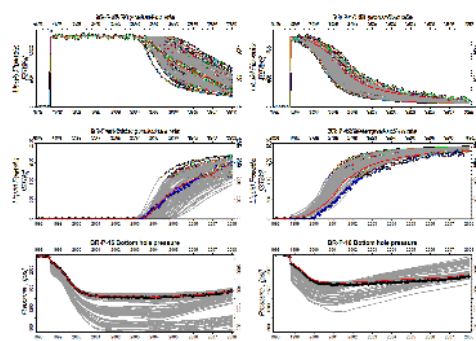
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Summary: PCA Application

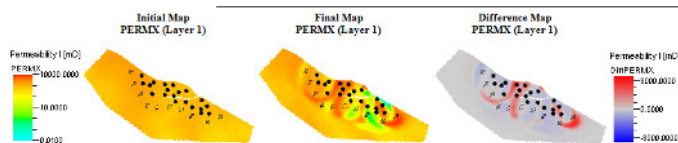


- 20 producers
- 10 injectors
- 3 formations

- Well-by-well match
- All conform with the geological information provided



Analysis



- Investigate modifications, differences, trends across multiple models.

Adjoint

Deterministic Approach

Deterministic Solution – e.g., Adjoint Approach

- The adjoint system is solved with the sole aim of finding a deterministic solutions to the problem
- The mismatch is quantified by an objective function, Q

$$Q(m) = \sum_i \frac{(d_i^{sim}(m) - d_i^{obs})^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$

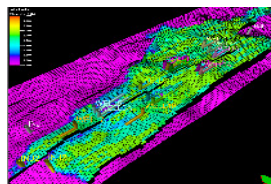
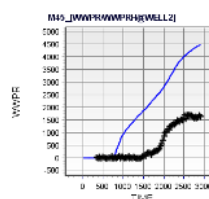
- Minimize Q; calculate $\frac{\partial Q(m)}{\partial d}$ on a cell-by-cell basis.

- Regression step

$$m^{l+1} = m^l + \alpha_l \delta m^{l+1}$$

- Optimization, e.g., Levenberg-Marquardt

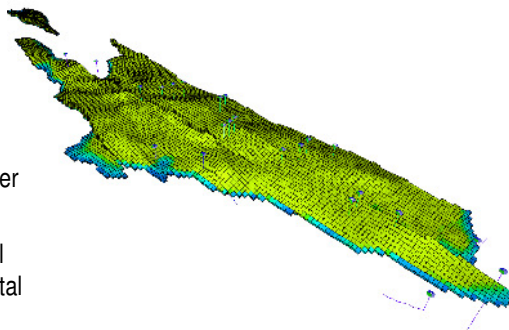
$$\delta m^{l+1} = \frac{m^l - m_{prior}}{1 + \lambda_l} + K \left[\frac{G_l(m^l - m_{prior})}{1 + \lambda_l} - (g(m^l) - d_{obs}) \right]$$



Application/Results – History Matching

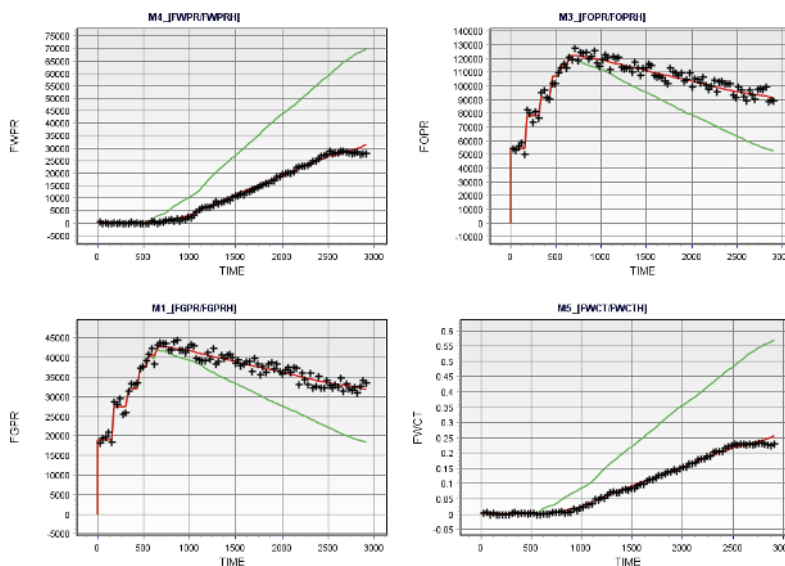
Watt Field Description

- A semi-synthetic reservoir model
- Base case model chosen from 81 realisations provided.
- Fluid phases present = Oil and Water
- Model grid size = 226 x 59 x 21
- 7 injectors consisting of 5 horizontal and 2 vertical wells and 16 horizontal producers
- Reservoir drive mechanism = Solution gas (depletion) drive
- Approximately 8 years of history

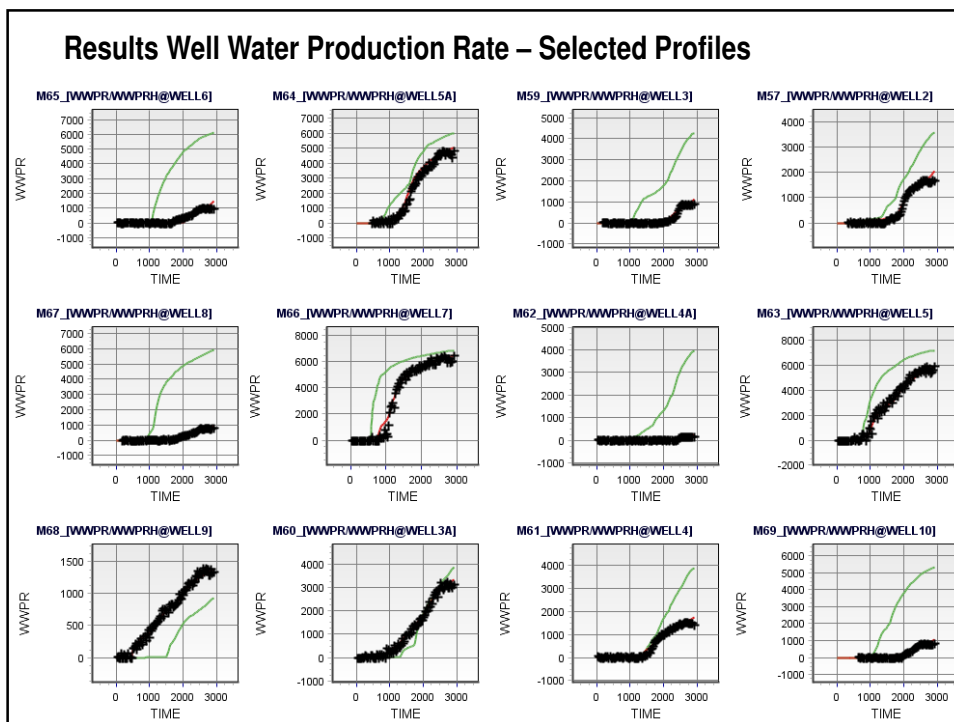
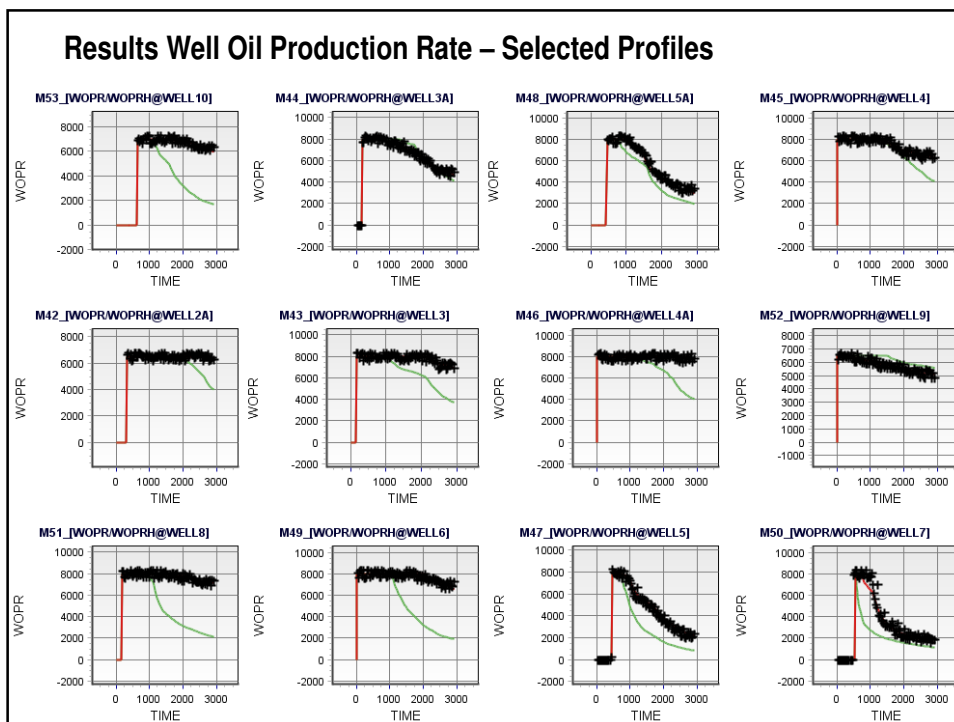


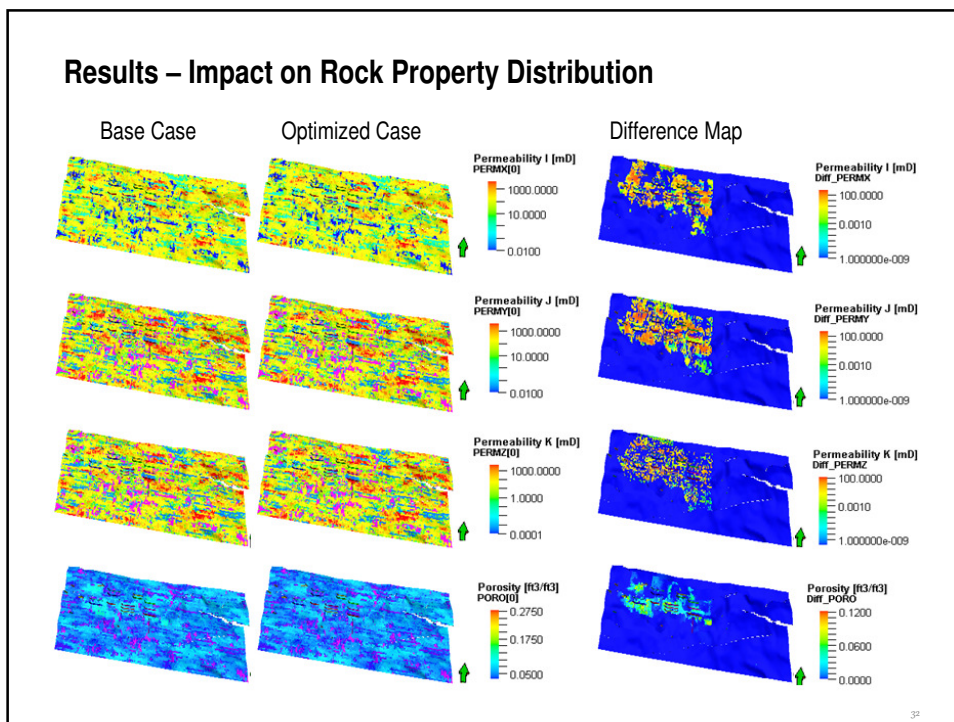
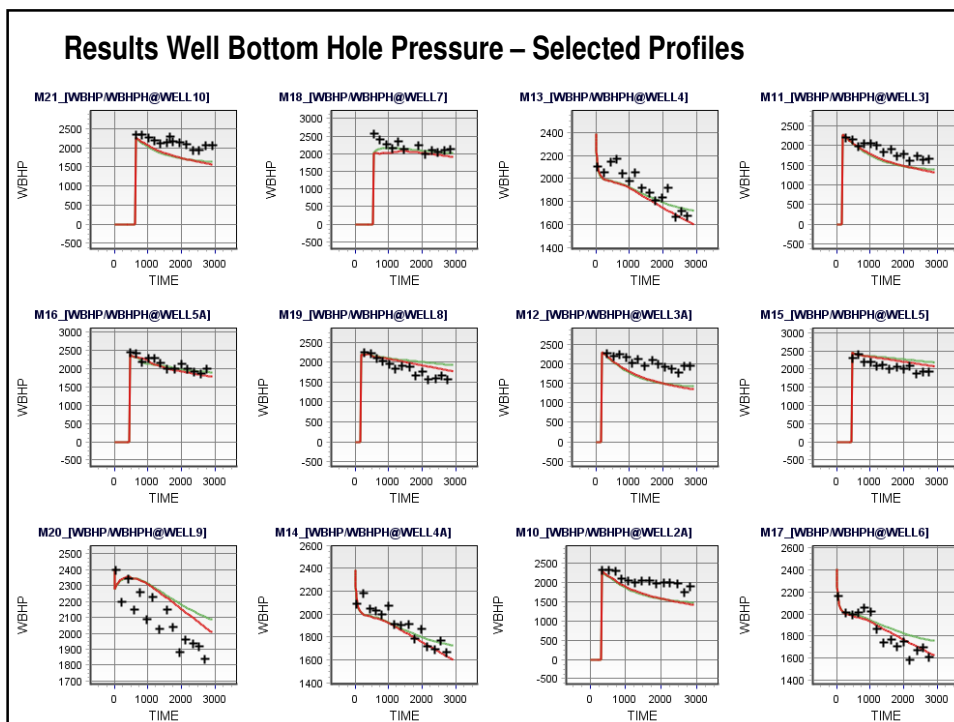
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History Matching Result – Field Level

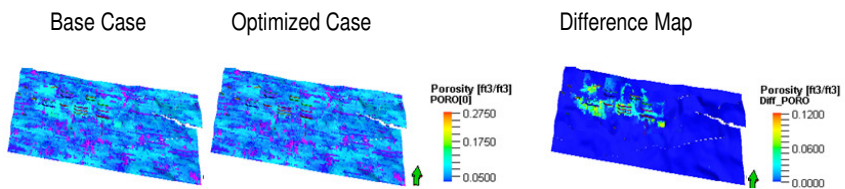


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Results – Impact on Volumetric Parameters



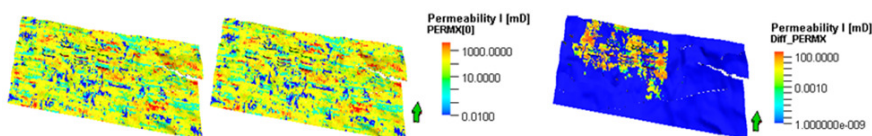
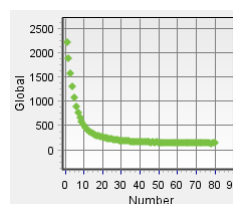
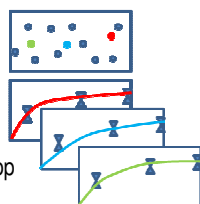
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OOIP [STB]	3.841.092.109	3.886.724.103	1
OWIP [STB]	16.395.959.920	16.379.474.077	0.1
OGIP [MSCF]	1.344.382.238	1.360.353.436	1

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History Matching using Analytical Sensitivities

Application project

- Analytical sensitivity calculation (Adjoint) $\frac{\partial Q(m)}{\partial m}$ on grid cell level
- Workflow – Extension
 - Ranking
 - History Matching of multiple models
 - Analysis and modeling consistency – feedback loop
- Visualization and Analysis



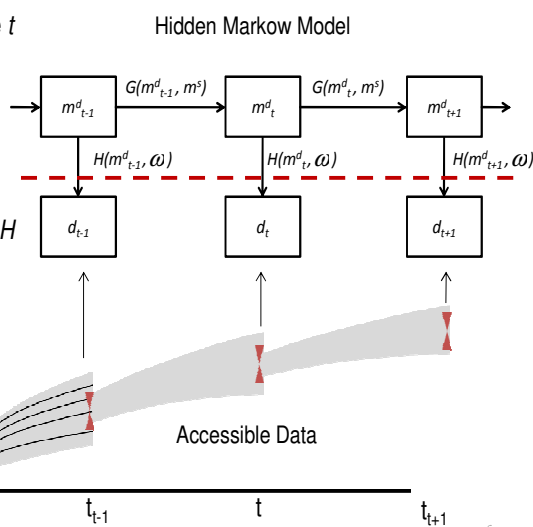
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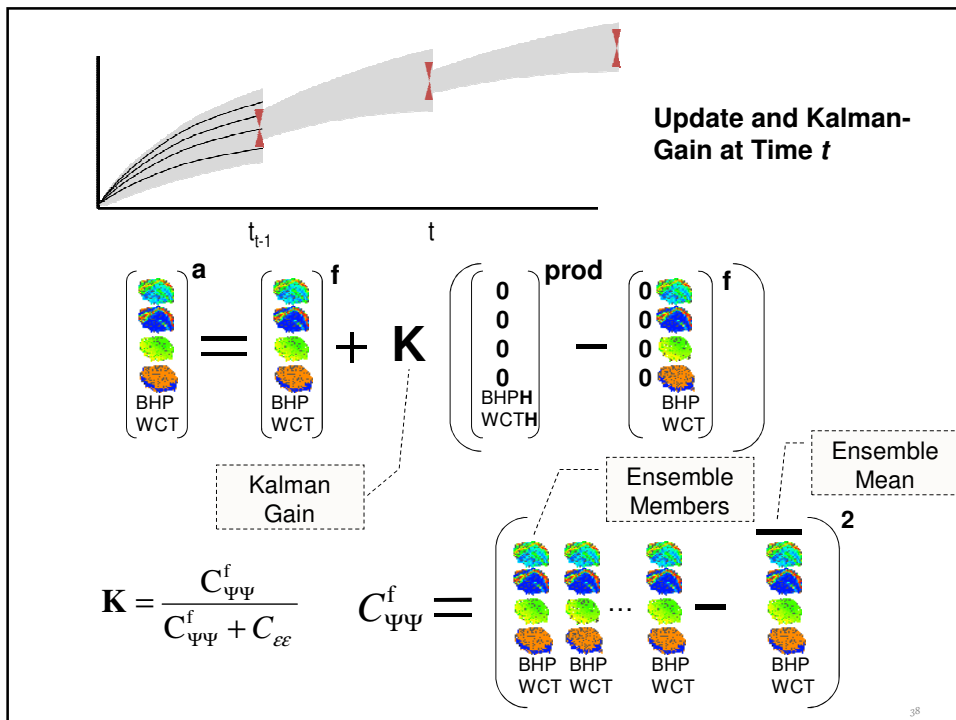
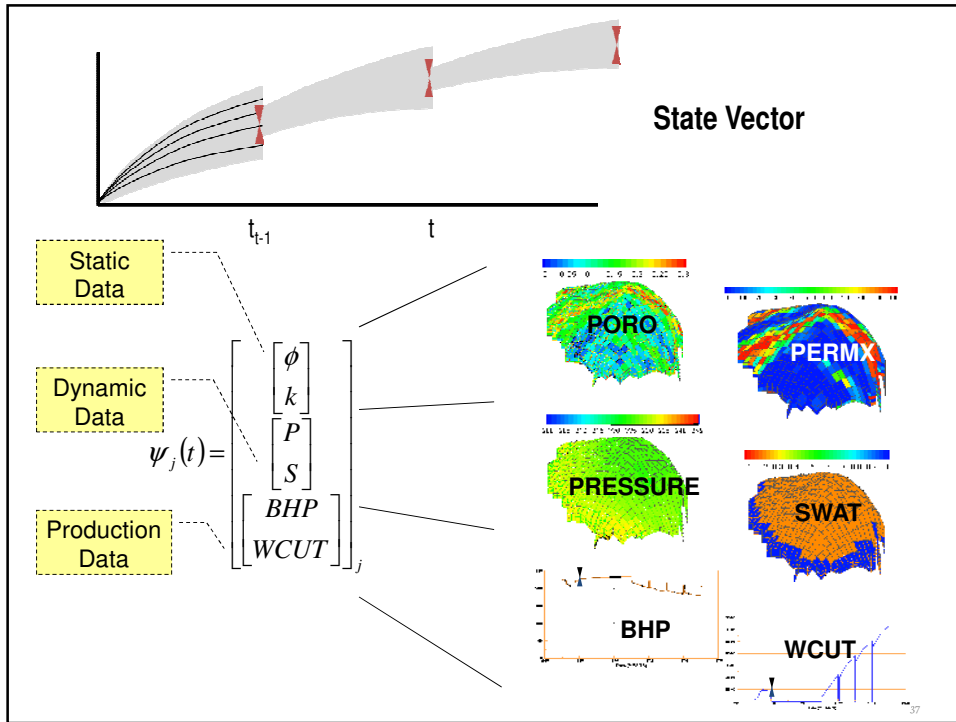
Ensemble Kalman Filter (EnKF)

Bayesian Formulation

Ensemble Kalman Filter (EnKF): Central Assumptions

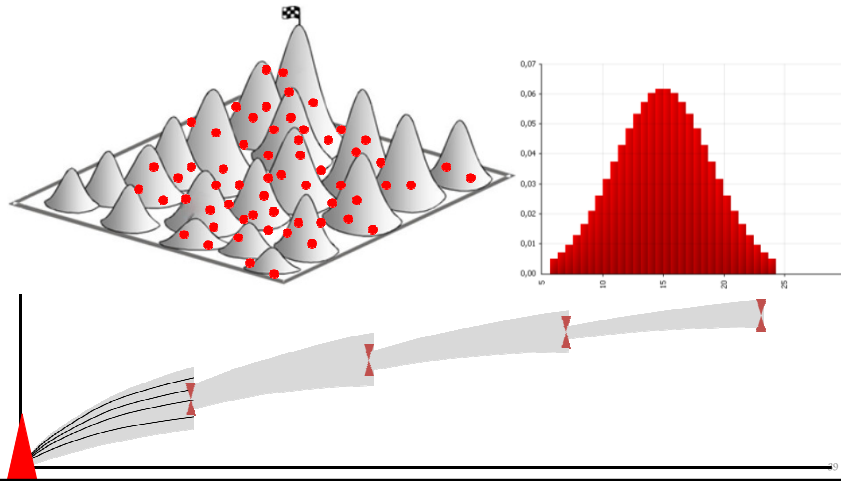
- Dynamic state variables m^d at time t depend on state at $t-1$ and static model parameters m^s
- State evolves with known model operator G
- State is only accessible indirectly via (noisy) measurement operator H





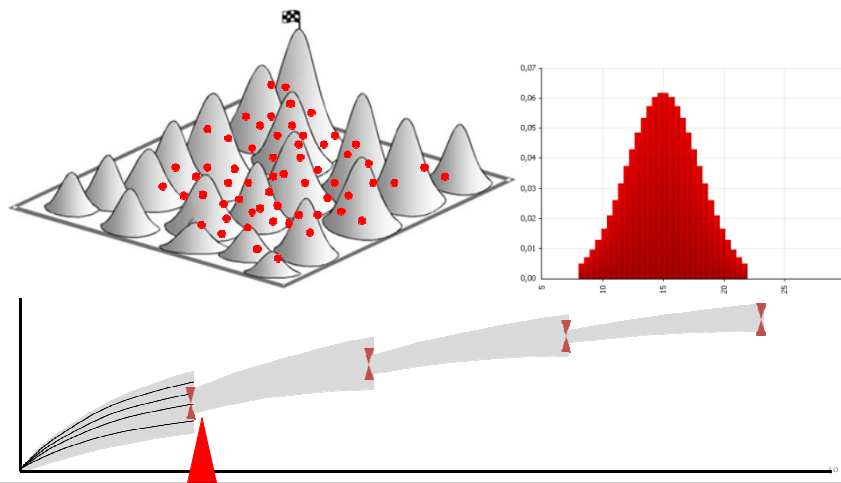
EnKF: Progression of static state

- State Initialization

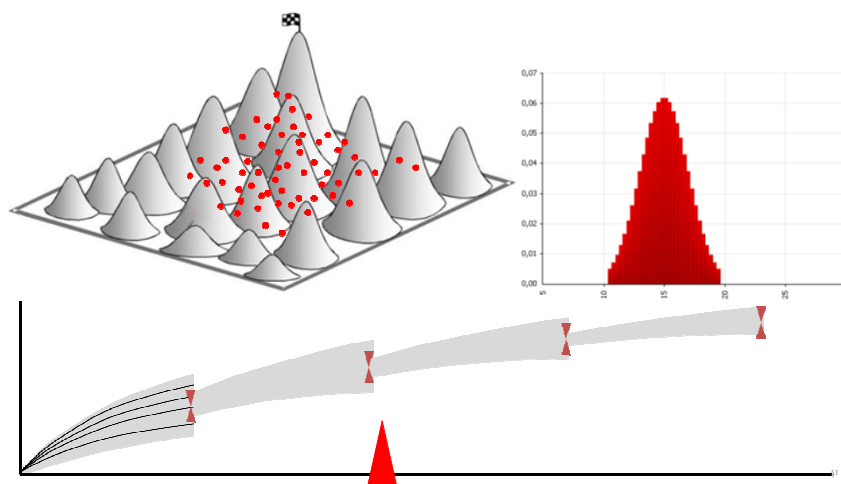


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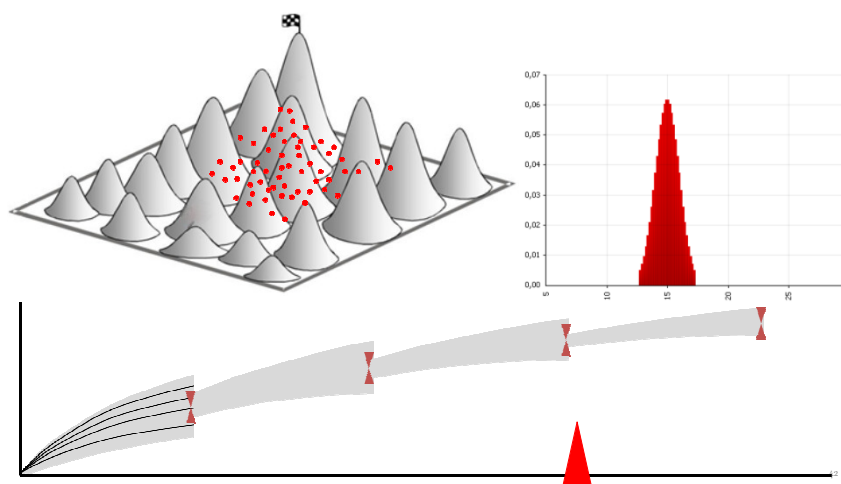
- Update and uncertainty reduction in uncertainty and response parameter space

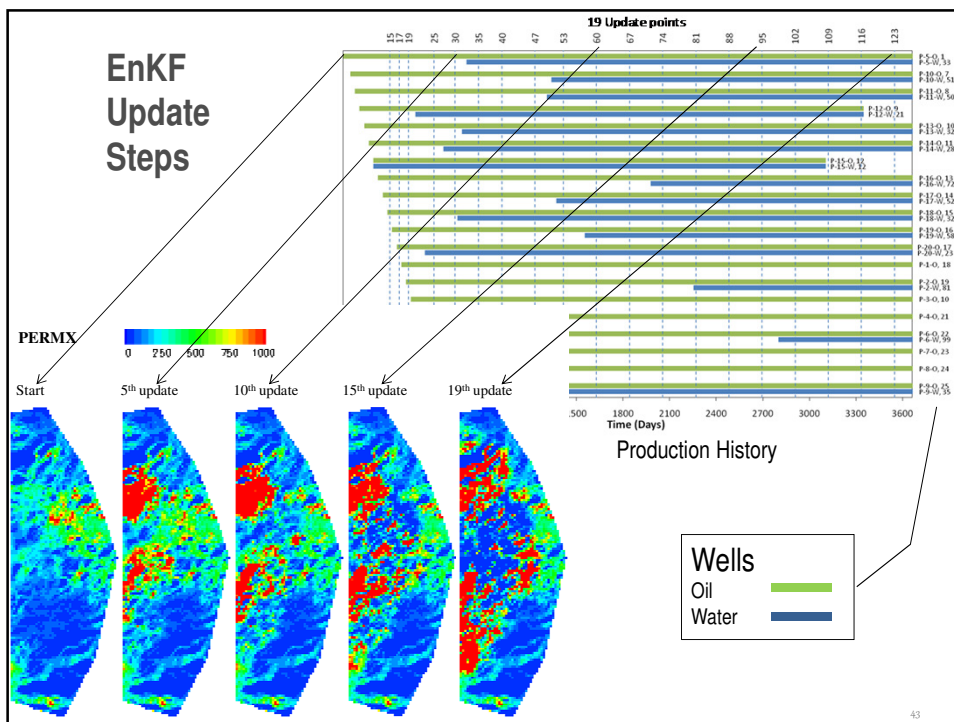


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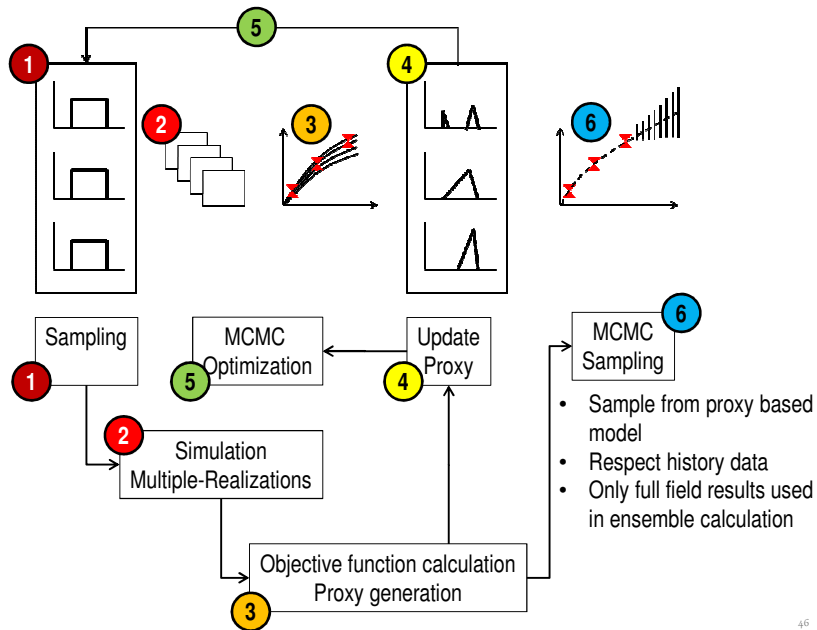
Summary EnKF

- Well suited for updating entire property fields
- Consistent uncertainty handling for establishing a posterior probability distribution
- Also used for updating alternative parameters (WOC, relative permeability, fault transmissibilities) cf. A. Seidler 2009, Y. Chen 2009.
- Sequential update scheme supports closed-loop approaches.
- Changing dynamical parameters remains conceptually difficult.

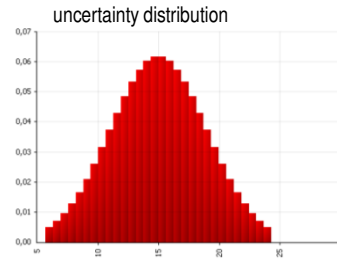
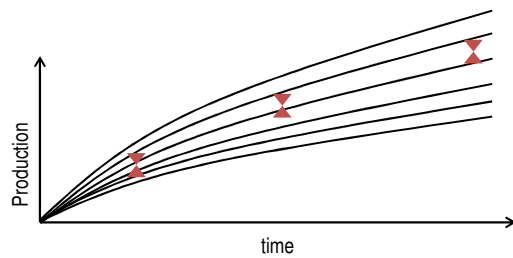
MCMC + Proxy

Bayesian Approach

Bayesian Update using MCMC



Background: Bayesian Update using MCMC



- Mismatch

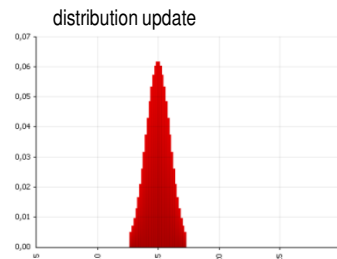
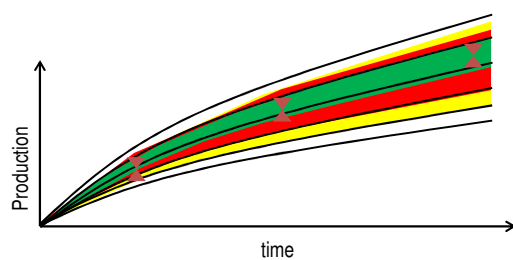
$$Q^L(d, m) = \sum_t (d_t^m - d_t^c(m))^2$$

- Posterior weight

$$p(m | d) \propto \exp(-Q^L(d, m))$$

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Background: Bayesian Update using MCMC



- Markov Chain, i.e., update depends on previous state only

$$m^{i+1} = m^i + \delta$$

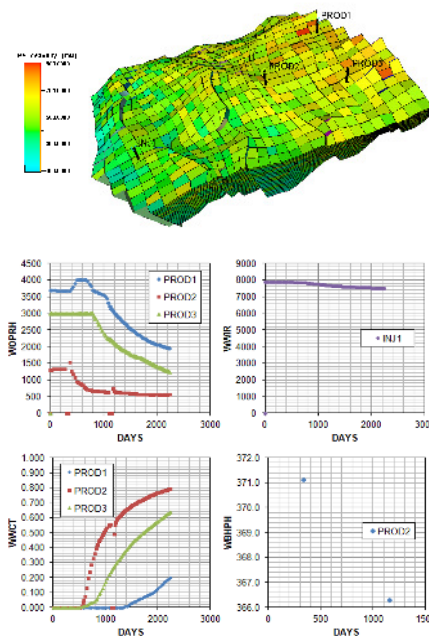
- Sampling new candidate

$$\alpha = \frac{p(m^{i+1} | d)}{p(m^i | d)} \begin{cases} \alpha \geq 1 & \text{accept} \\ \alpha < 1 & \end{cases} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{accept if } \alpha > \text{rnd}(0,1) \\ \text{reject} \end{array} \right. \text{🎲}$$

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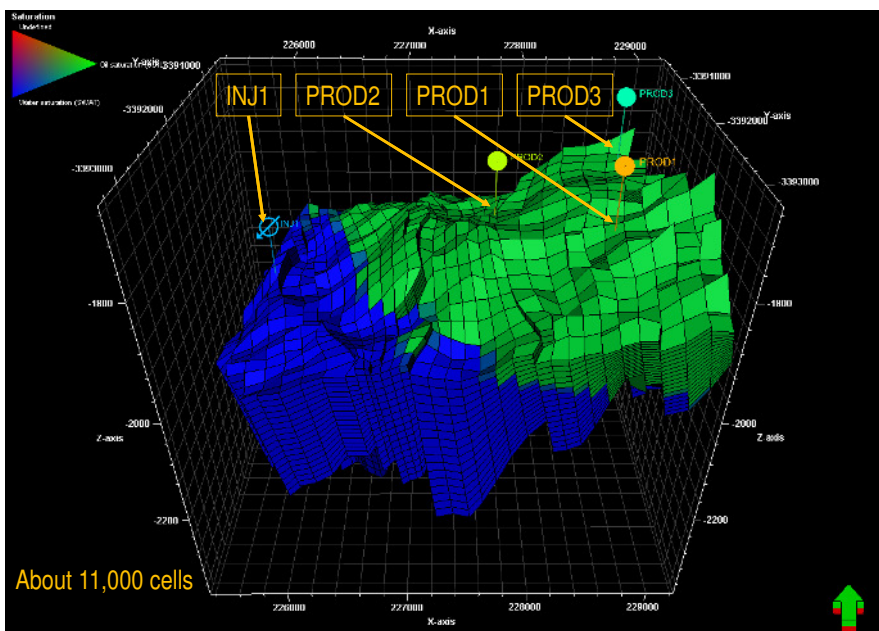
Application Case

- Under-saturated oil reservoir
- 3 main sand layers and 4 main faults
- Porosity varies between 0.027 to 0.280
- Permeability varies between 90 to 1000 [mD].
- Aquifer acts at the North-western edge flank of the reservoir
- 3 production wells, 1 injector
- 7-year production history .

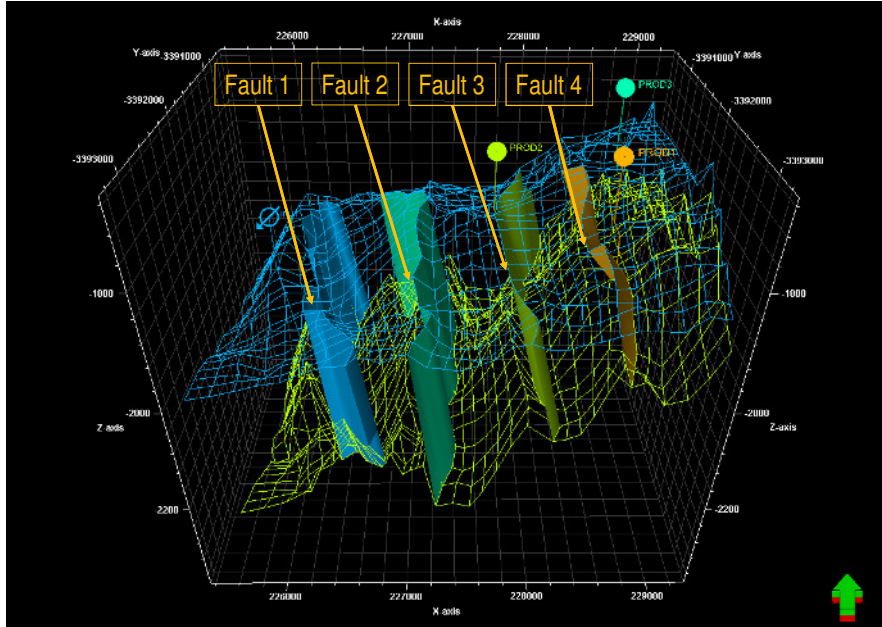


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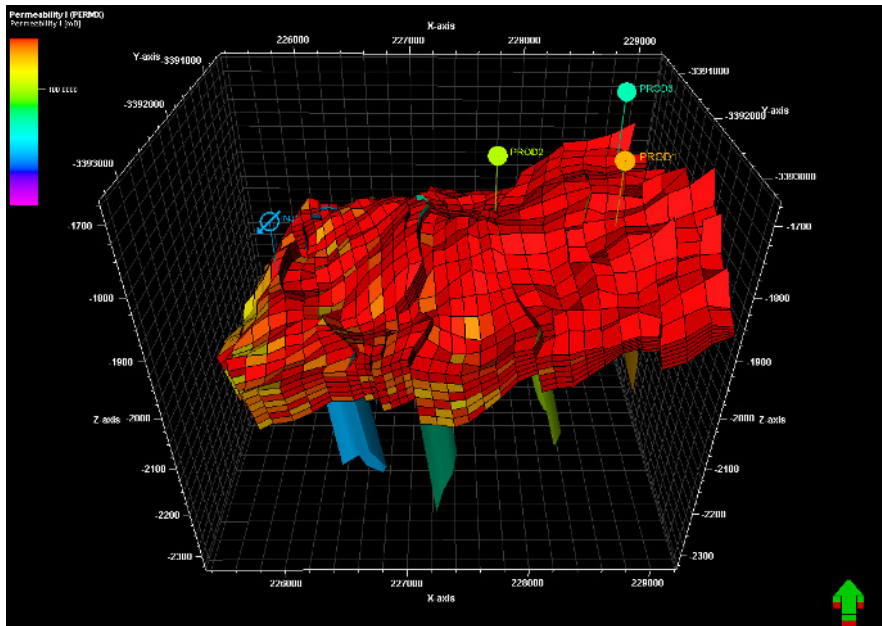
Wells



Faults

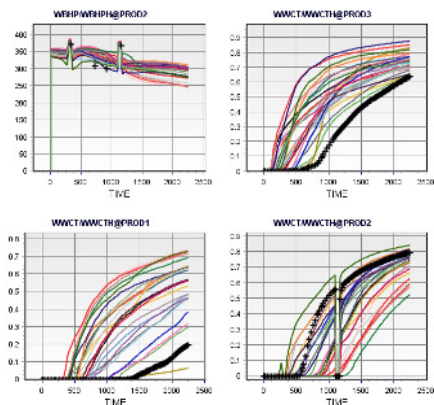


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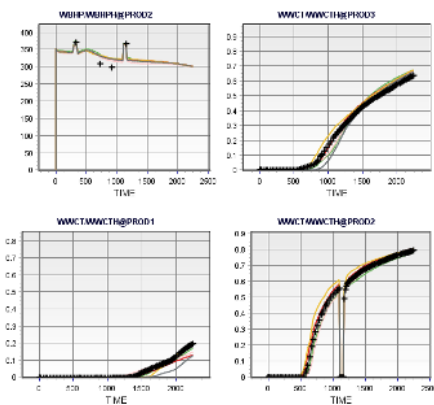


History Matching using MCMC Optimization

Screening

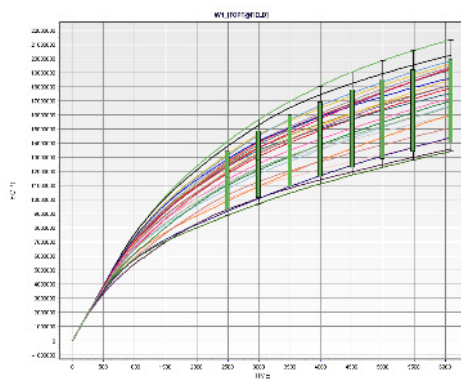


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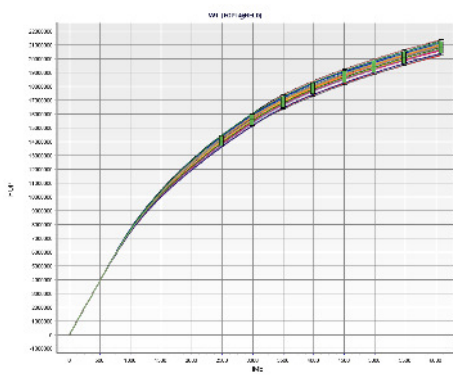


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Results: Ensemble Improvement

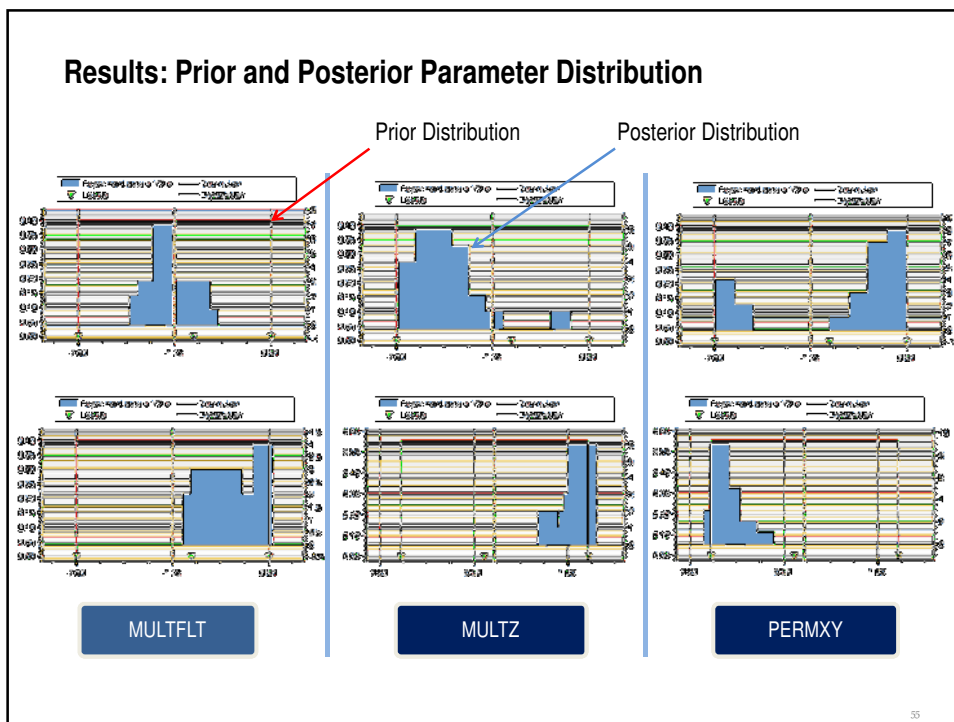


Prior Ensemble



Posterior Ensemble

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Summary MCMC-Proxy – Workflow

- Proxy-based approach allows to apply MCMC workflows to complex simulation cases
- Fast convergence behavior
- Efficient technique for global optimization, i.e., calibration of global uncertainty parameters
- Technique offers extensive potential for accelerating optimization workflows based on proxy modelling support.

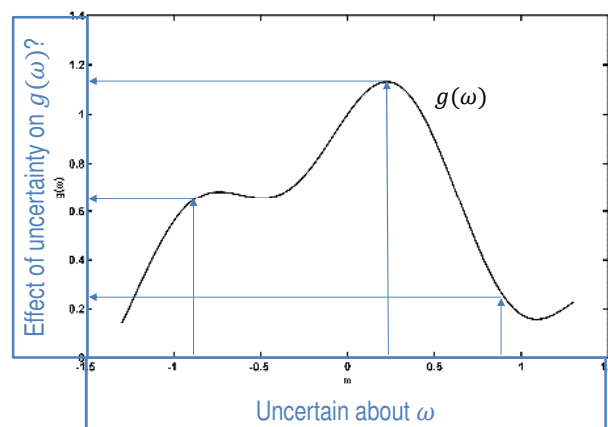
- Method is less well prepared to handle large multi-dimensional parameter spaces in the current application scenario
- Variance estimation may still be expensive

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Stochastic Proxy Modeling - gPCE

Probabilistic Formulation

Make Expensive Uncertain Parametric Problems Cheap



- g expensive to evaluate (e.g. reservoir model) \rightarrow replace by “cheaper version” \tilde{g} : a proxy model

Improved Proxy Modeling

Problem:

- *Monte Carlo* (MC) is often used to perform uncertainty propagation for random variables (RVs)
 - is flexible and
 - independent on the dimensionality of the problem
- but exhibits very slow convergence (\sqrt{N}), where N is the sample size.

Scope:

- Find “better” proxy model for probabilistic uncertainty quantification & optimization of hydrocarbon reservoirs

Requirements on proxy model:

- Fast creation, fast evaluation
- Use in existing workflows, with existing simulators
- Precision advantages for probabilistic workflows

Methodology

- We choose (generalized) Polynomial Chaos Expansion (gPCE)

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gPCE: A Probabilistic Proxy Model

- Introduce parameter ω for uncertainty, use *probability theory* to quantify it
- Primary quantities: **random variables** (RVs):

$$\mathbf{r}(\omega) \in L_2(\Omega; V; P)$$

- Ω : sample space of possible outcomes,
 V : vector space,
 P : probability measure.

- Generalized Polynomial Chaos Expansion (gPCE):
spectral representation of RVs:

$$\mathbf{r}(\omega) = \sum_{\alpha \in J} \mathbf{r}^\alpha \mathbf{P}_\alpha(\xi_1(\omega), \xi_2(\omega), \dots)$$

- Here: Series of known Legendre polynomials and uniform basis RVs;
 unknown “spectral” coefficients
- How to compute the coefficients?

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Computing the gPCE Coefficients: NISP

- Legendre polynomials are orthogonal w.r.t.
→ Use *projection* to compute coefficients r^α :

$$\forall \alpha: r^\alpha = \frac{\langle r, P_\alpha \rangle}{\langle P_\alpha, P_\alpha \rangle}$$

$$P = U(-1,1)$$

Reminder:

$$\langle u, v \rangle = \int_{\Omega} u(\omega)v(\omega)dP(\omega)$$

- Cannot change simulator code, problem possibly high-dimensional

→ Use *sparse-grid* numerical cubature:

“Sparse tensorization” of 1D Gauss-Legendre quadrature

[**Warning:** Sparse grids come with assumptions]

→ Simulations computationally feasible, projection *cheap*

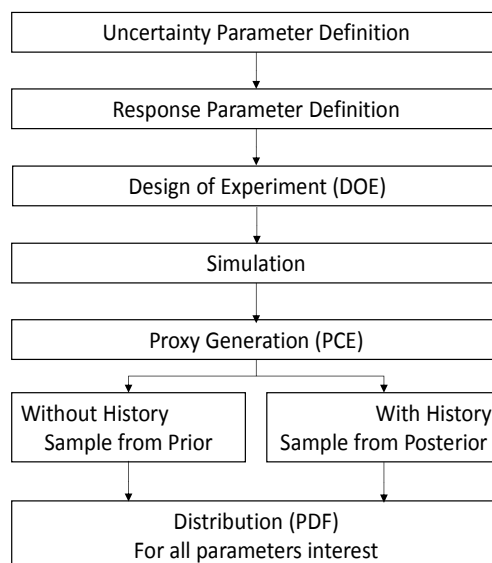
$$\int_{\Omega} f(x)dx \approx \sum_i w_i f(x_i)$$

- gPCE + “non-intrusive spectral projection” (NISP) using sparse grids:
good fulfilment of requirements! How well does it work?

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Workflow Design for gPCE Application

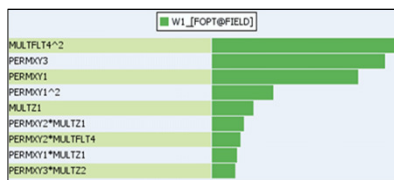
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Create gPCE Proxies For Production Quantities

- 9 uncertain parameters of varying type & importance
- Distributions selected from prior knowledge, some with high uncertainty, some with low
- Methods for comparison:
 - gPCE (different max. orders)
 - Monte Carlo (50k samples)
 - “Automatic Regression” method
 - 2nd order polynomial regression
 - Adaptively selects terms (expensive)
 - Uses gPCE experimental designs (to be fair)

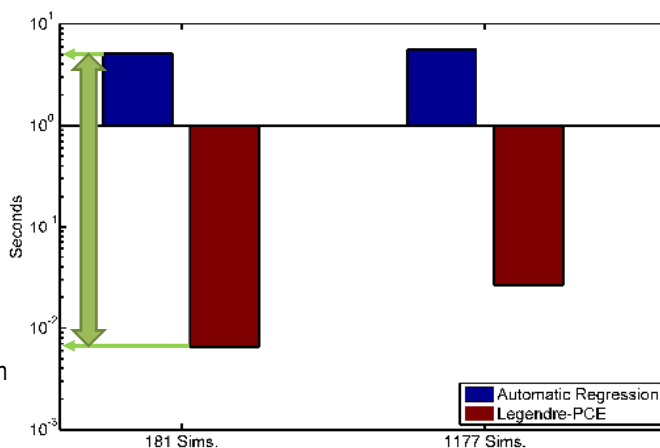


Parameter	Distribution	% of Range
MULTFLT 1	U(0.316, 1.000)	68.4 %
MULTFLT 2	U(0.013, 0.080)	6.7 %
MULTFLT 3	U(0.056, 1.000)	94.4 %
MULTFLT 4	U(0.794, 1.000)	20.6 %
MULTZ 1	U(0.500, 1.000)	50.0 %
MULTZ 2	U(0.003, 0.018)	1.5 %
PERMXY 1	U(0.400, 0.620)	-
PERMXY 2	U(0.200, 0.280)	-
PERMXY 3	U(0.200, 0.210)	-

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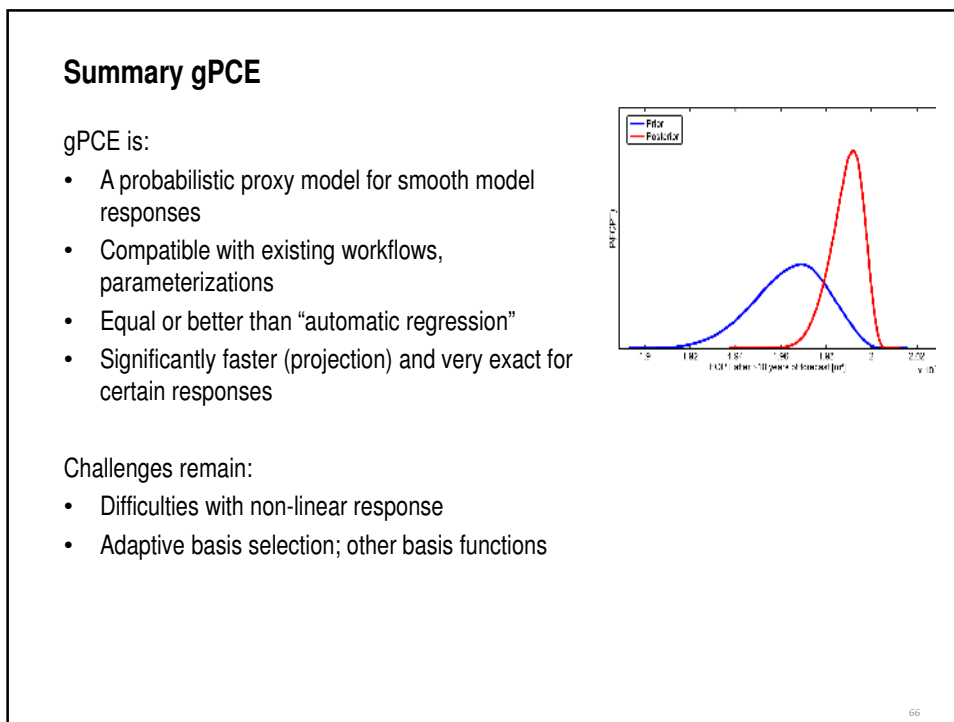
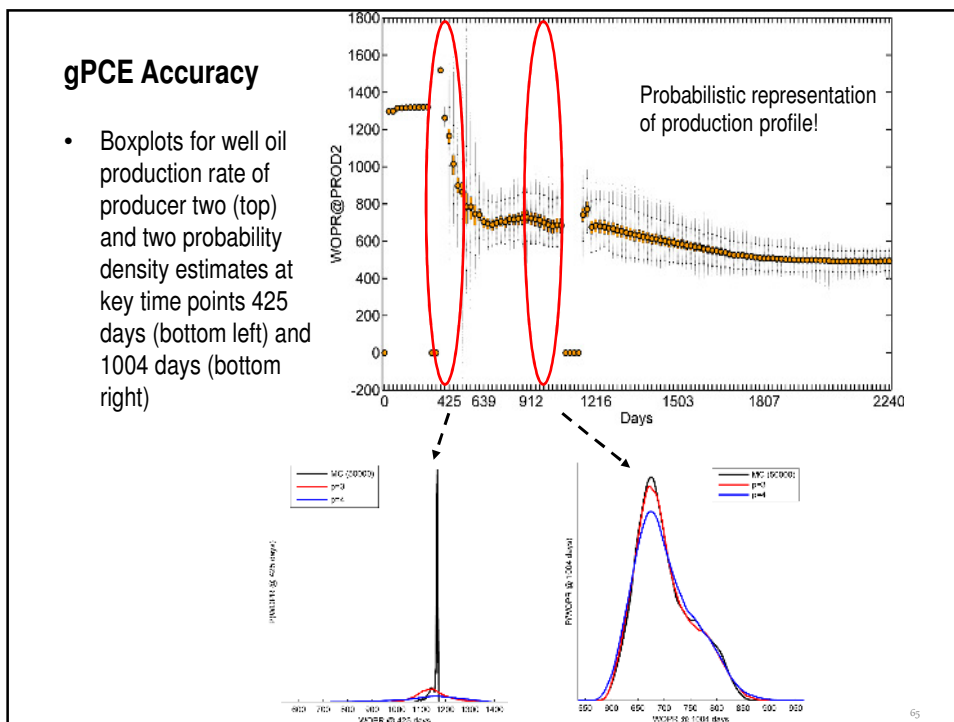
Results: gPCE vs “Automatic Regression”

- gPCE builds 100 proxies in parallel → major performance gain (per proxy)
- gPCE computes more coefficients than “Automatic Regression”!
- gPCE is *orders of magnitude* faster when constructing multiple proxies (due to projection)

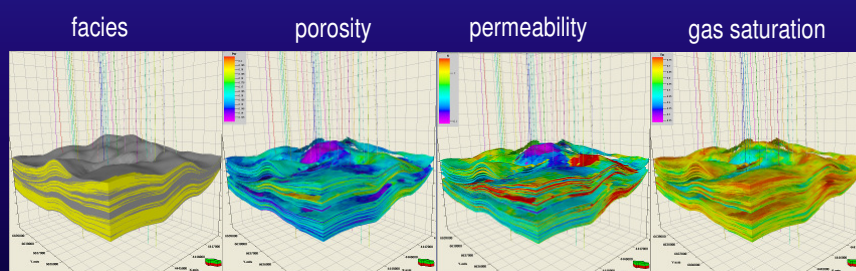


Performance: Average Time for Building One Proxy for FOPT @ 2240 Days

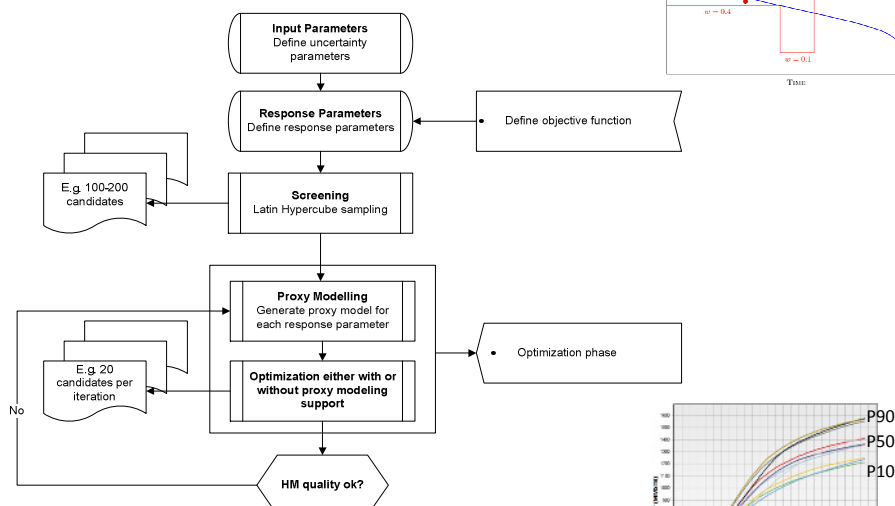
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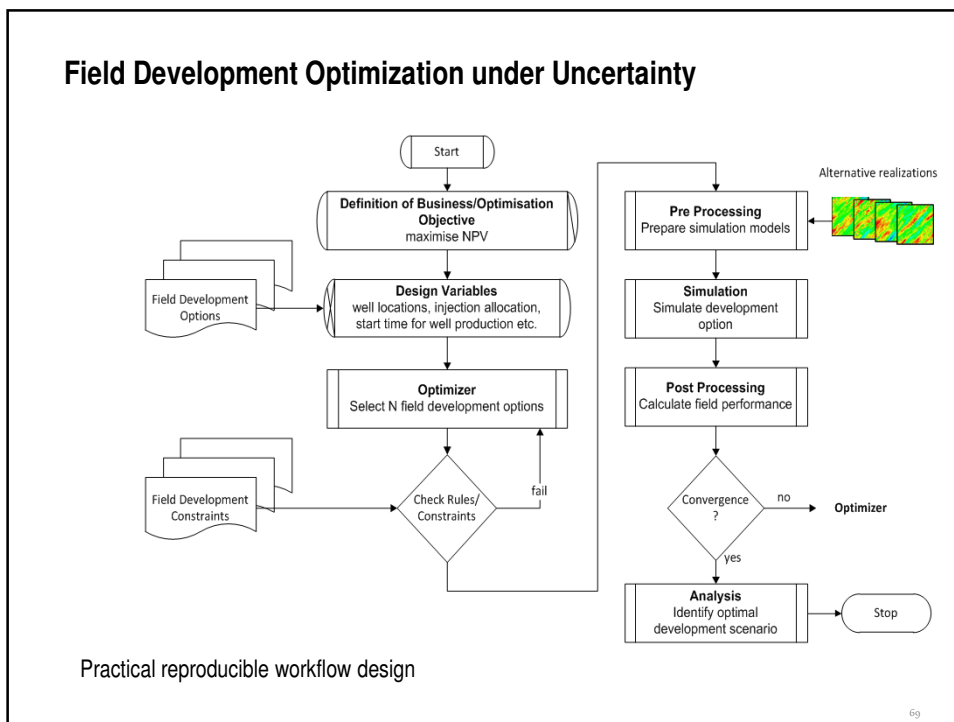
Practical Conclusion



History Matching



Practical reproducible workflow design



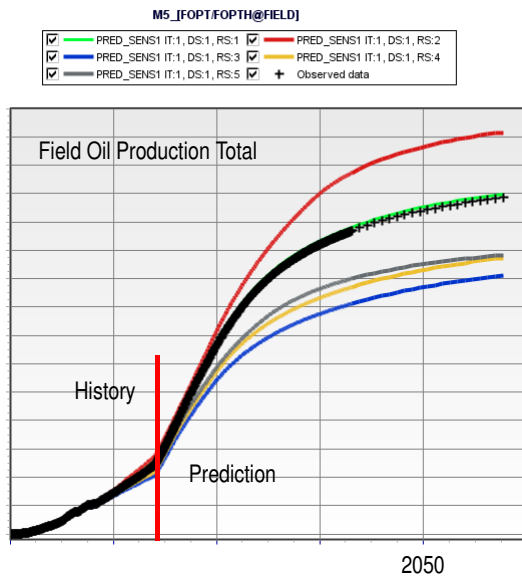
Uncertainty Matrix – Parameterization

Domain	Description	Type	Form	Parameter(s)	Input properties
Geology	Structure	Discrete	Set	N/A	N/A
Geology	Lateral continuity	Continuous	Function	TBD	TBD
Petrophysics	Porosity	Continuous	Algorithm	phi_mean	PORO
Petrophysics	Permeability	Continuous	Algorithm	k_mean	PERMX
Petrophysics	Vertical anisotropy	Continuous	Function	kvkh_mult	PERMX
SCAL	Saturation end points	Continuous	Constant	SOGCR	SOGCR
SCAL	Saturation end points	Continuous	Constant	sgcr1	SOGCR, SWL
SCAL	Permeability end points	Continuous	Constant	KRORG	KRORG
SCAL	Permeability end points	Continuous	Constant	KRGR	KRGR
SCAL	Curvature	Continuous	Function	Lg	N/A
SCAL	Curvature	Continuous	Function	Eg	N/A
SCAL	Curvature	Continuous	Function	Tg	N/A
SCAL	Curvature	Continuous	Function	Lo	N/A
SCAL	Curvature	Continuous	Function	Eo	N/A
SCAL	Curvature	Continuous	Function	To	N/A
PVT	PVT model	Discrete	Set	N/A	N/A
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Fracturing	HF parameters	Discrete	Constant	Xf	N/A
Fracturing	HF parameters	Discrete	Constant	wf	N/A
Fracturing	HF parameters	Discrete	Constant	Fc (Kprop)	N/A
Fracturing / SCAL	Curvature	Continuous	Function	n (Corey-like)	N/A
ROCK	Compressibility table - porosity	Continuous	Function	poro_sl (slope in log scale)	N/A
ROCK	Compressibility table - permeability	Continuous	Function	perm_sl (slope in log scale)	N/A

Complex uncertainty definitions (continuous, discrete) require practical customizations of the workflow.

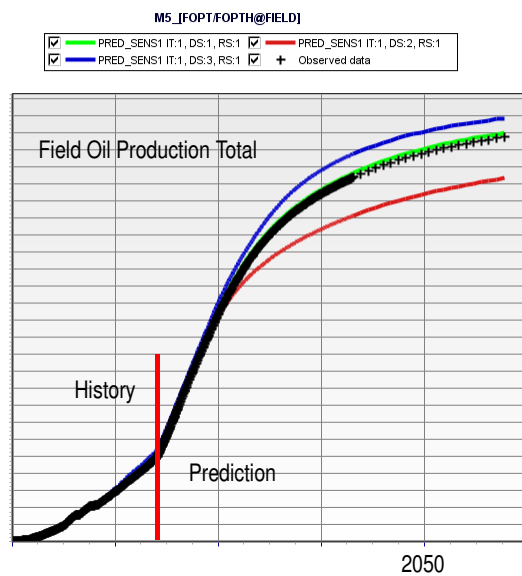
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Realizations which meet rate match within tolerance level



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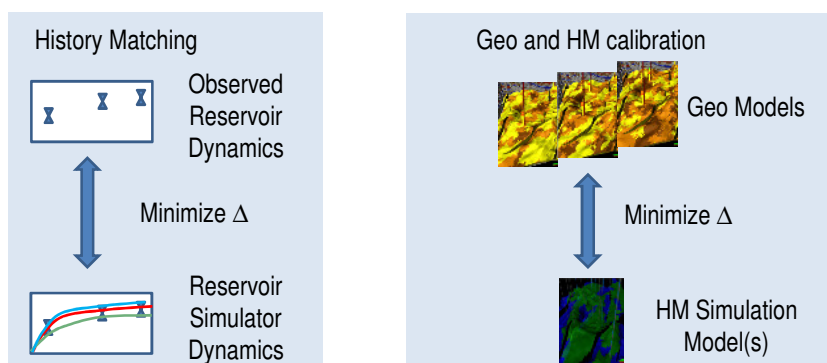
Selected realization with impact of local parameter adjustments



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Conclusion: Analysis and Closing Feedback-Loop

- The complexity of aligning the geo and simulation models depends on the parameterization and optimization approach
- A methodology should ideally be designed to analyze parameter trends which influence a minimum discrepancy between geo modeling scenarios/realizations and the history matched models



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