

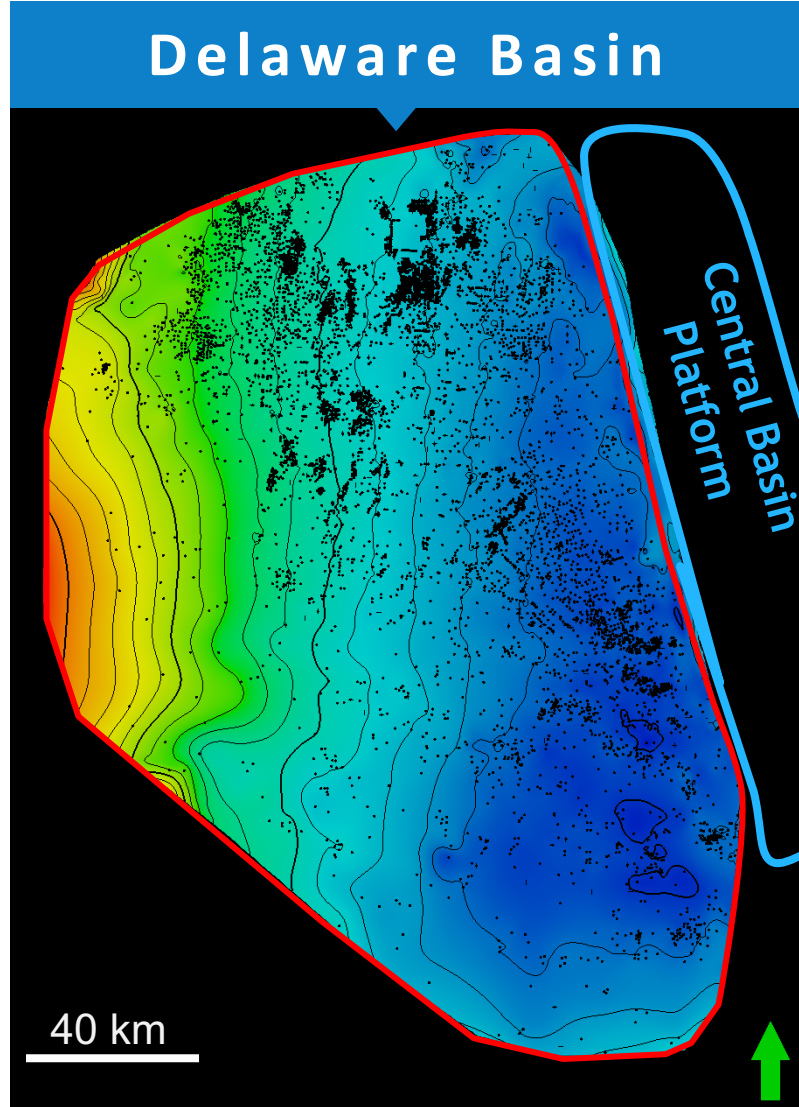


Deployment of a Cloud-Based Deep Learning Model for Well Log Correlation at Scale

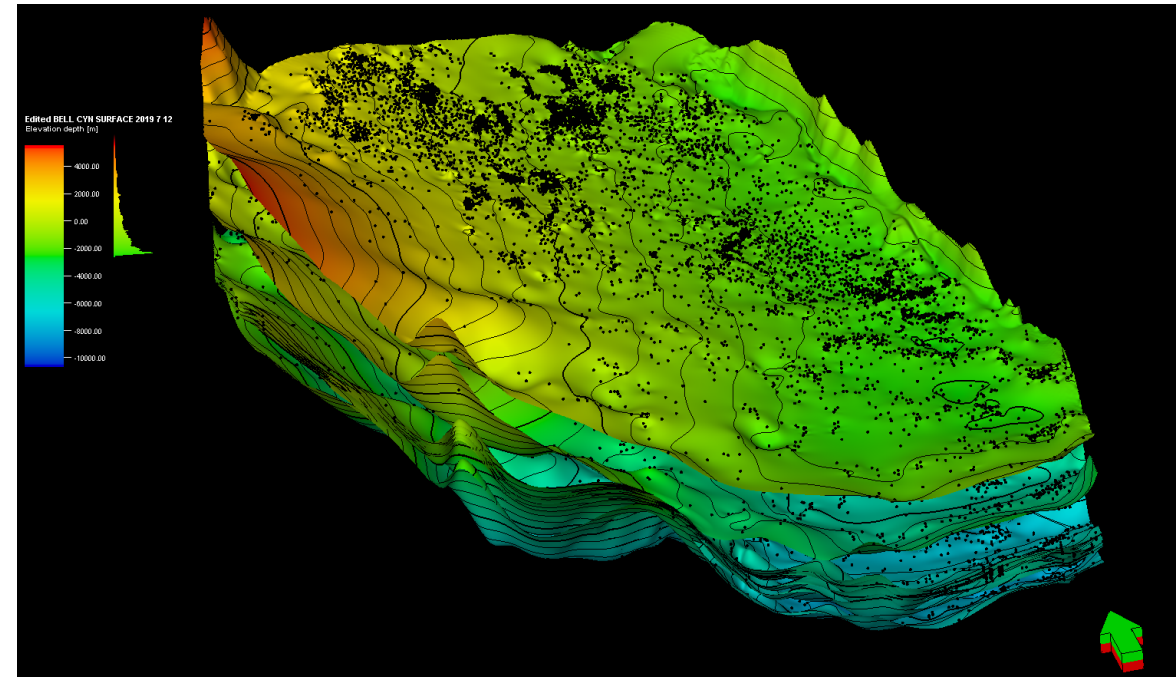
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Generating Robust Stratigraphic Frameworks



Total Wells Correlated	Total Tops Interpreted & QC'd	Total Time
9,000+	30,000+	20 Days



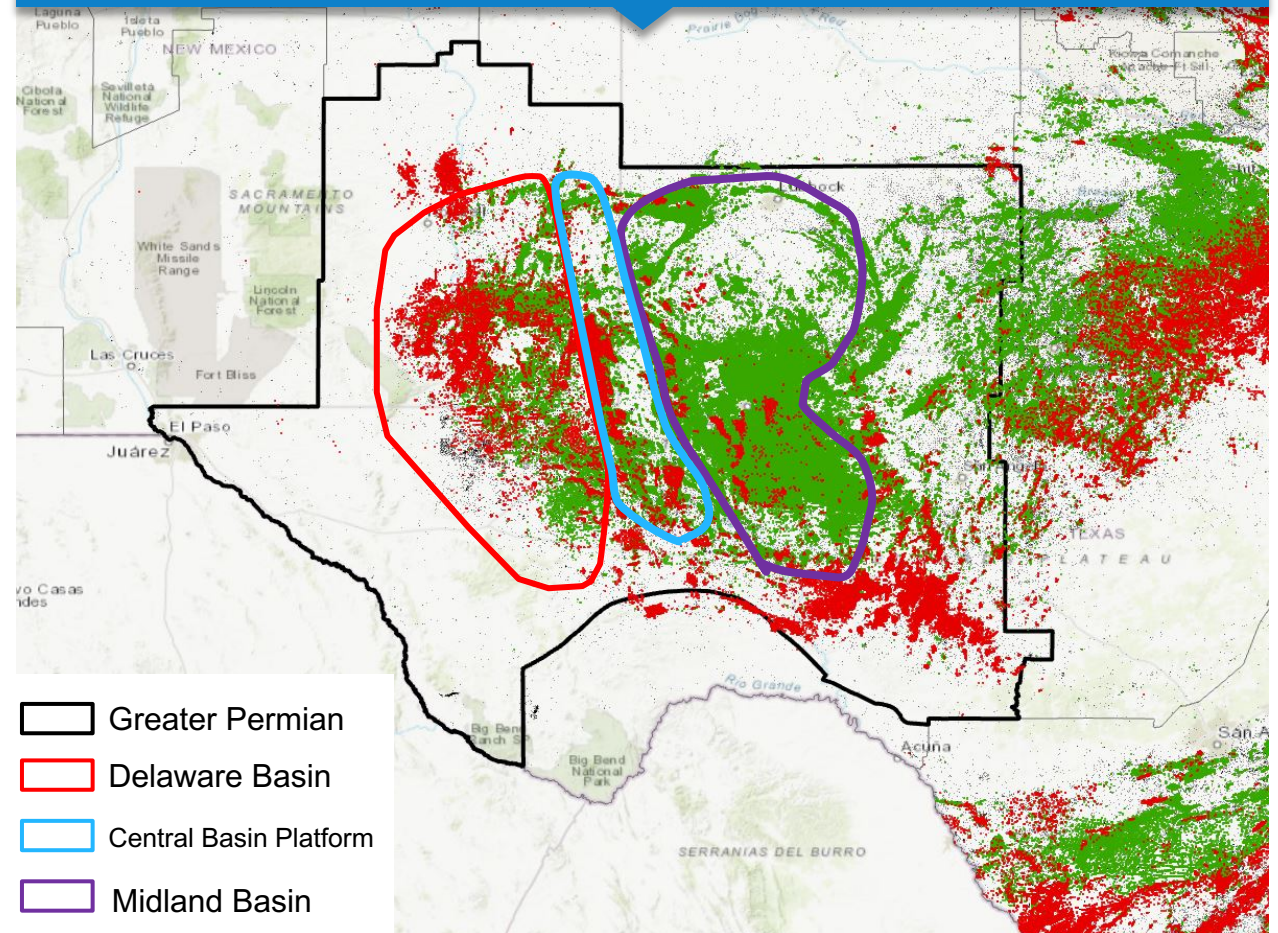
Scalable Solutions to Reduce Subsurface Uncertainty



How do we efficiently harness all available data to generate robust subsurface models?

- ❖ Interpreter-driven, machine-assisted solution for high-density datasets
- ❖ Propagates defined markers w/ advanced deep learning algorithm & standard correlation techniques
- ❖ Objective, repeatable, scalable
- ❖ Actively deployed in exploration and development assets

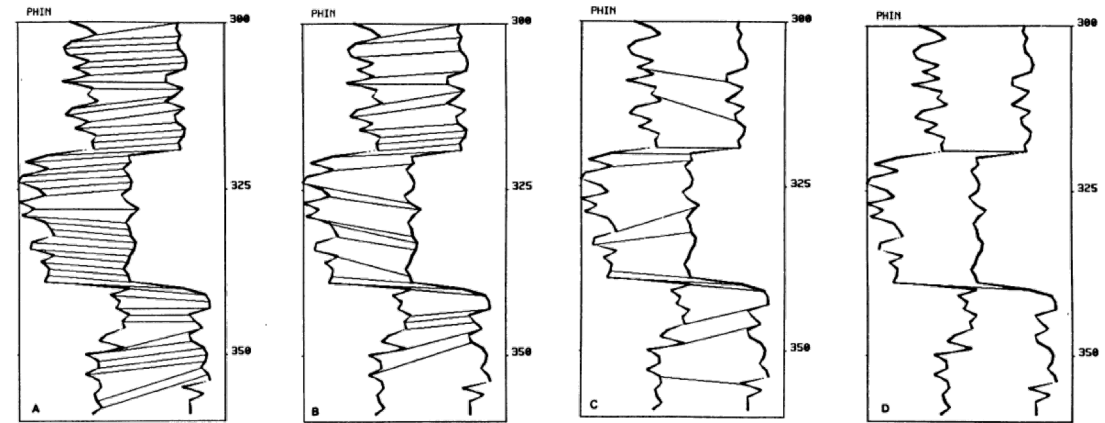
Data from 100,000s Vertical Wells



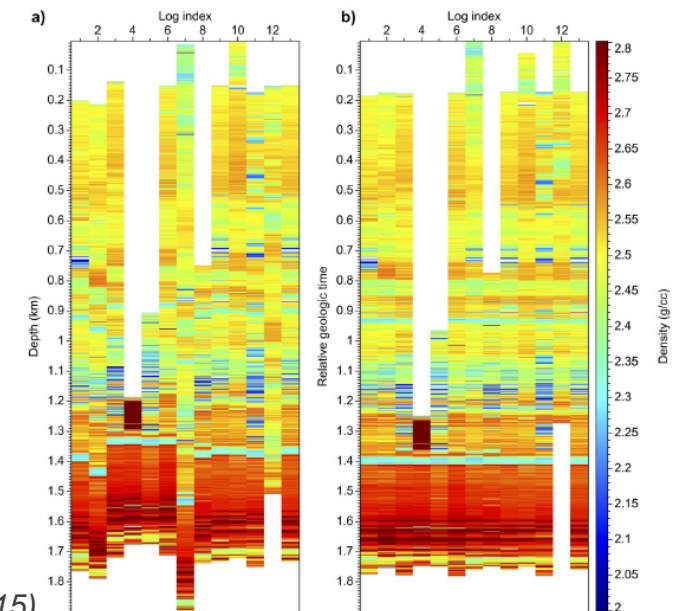
Existing Approaches to Well Log Correlation



- Well log auto-correlation attempted since 1970's
- Resurgence in interest
 - Improved computing
 - Onshore unconventional plays with 1000's – 10,000's of wells
- Major limitations to existing approaches
 - Computationally too intensive
 - Restricted to a defined cross-section
 - Drift with distance
 - Get 'lost' at faults/facies changes
- Existing approaches are too rigid...



(Lineman, 1985)



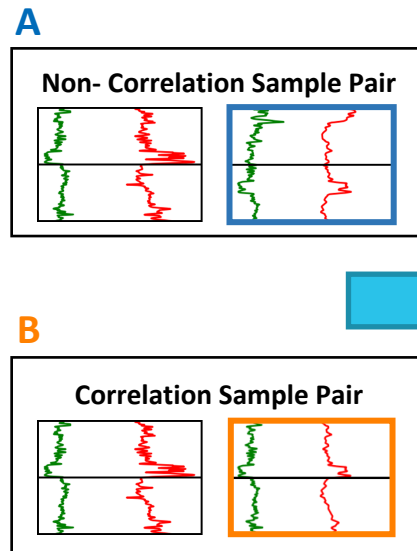
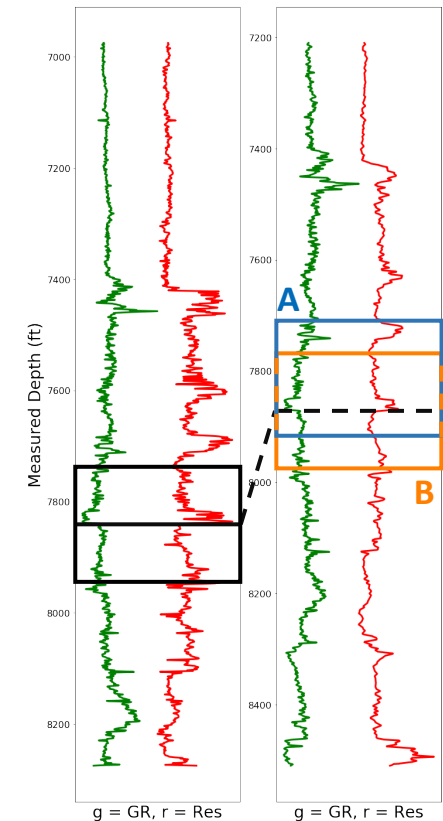
(Wheeler, 2015)

Leveraging Artificial Intelligence

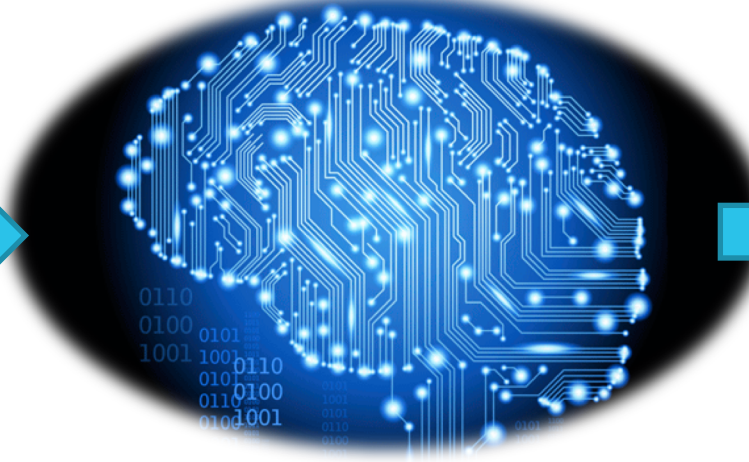


- **Machine Learning:** algorithms that perform a specific task without explicit instructions

6+ Million Samples



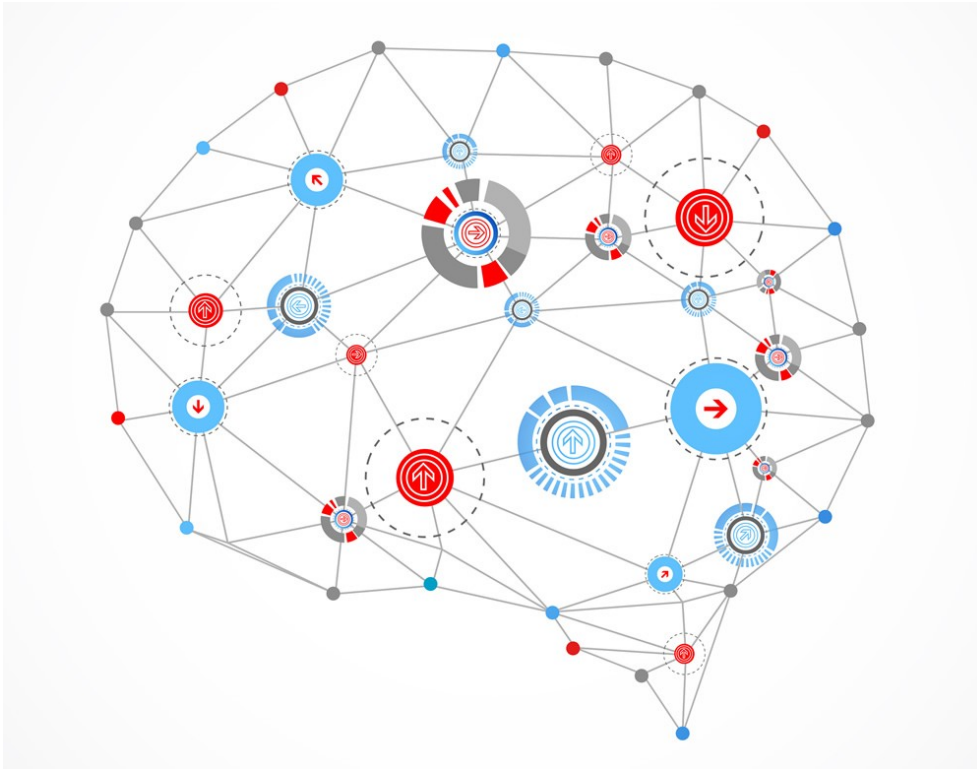
Deep Convolutional Neural Network Architecture



Quantitative
Match
Probability

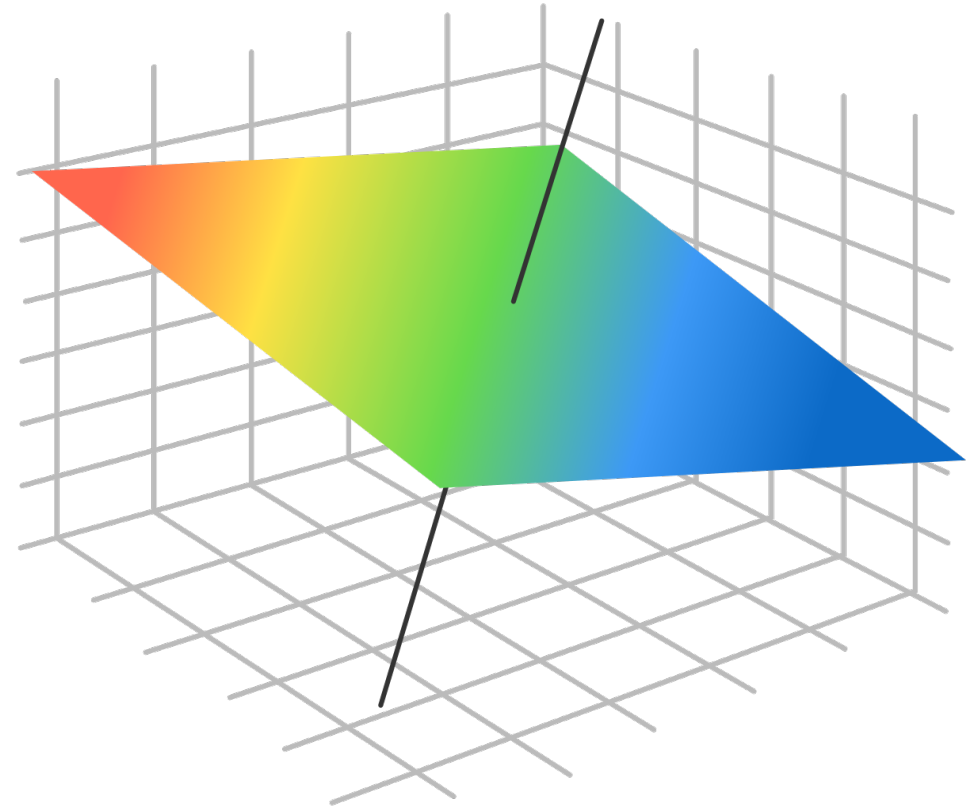


Universal Deep CNN Pattern Recognition Model



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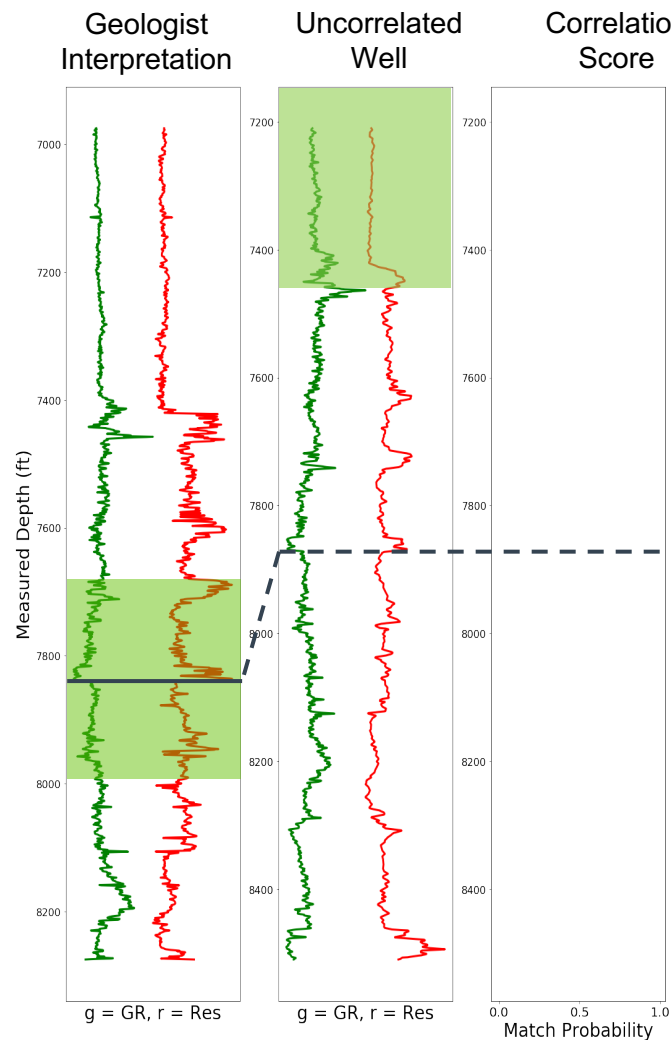
3D Search & Correlation Tool



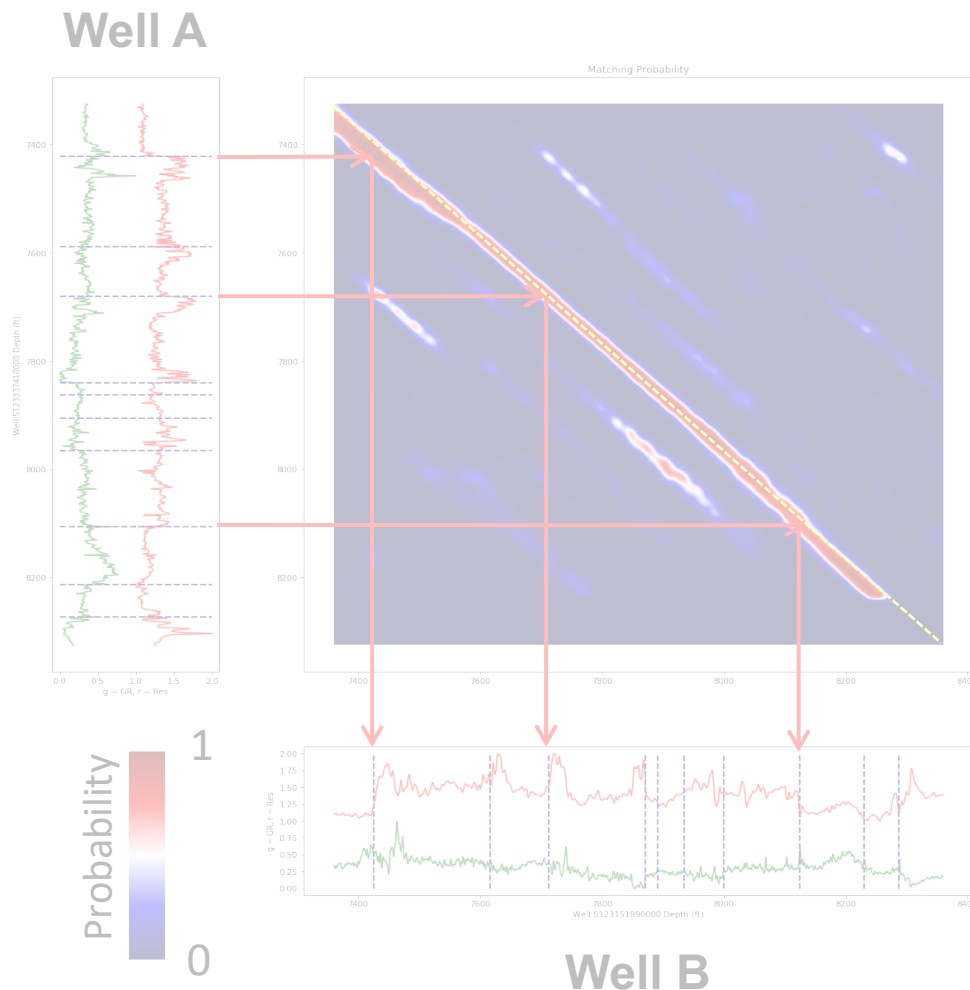


Propagation Logic

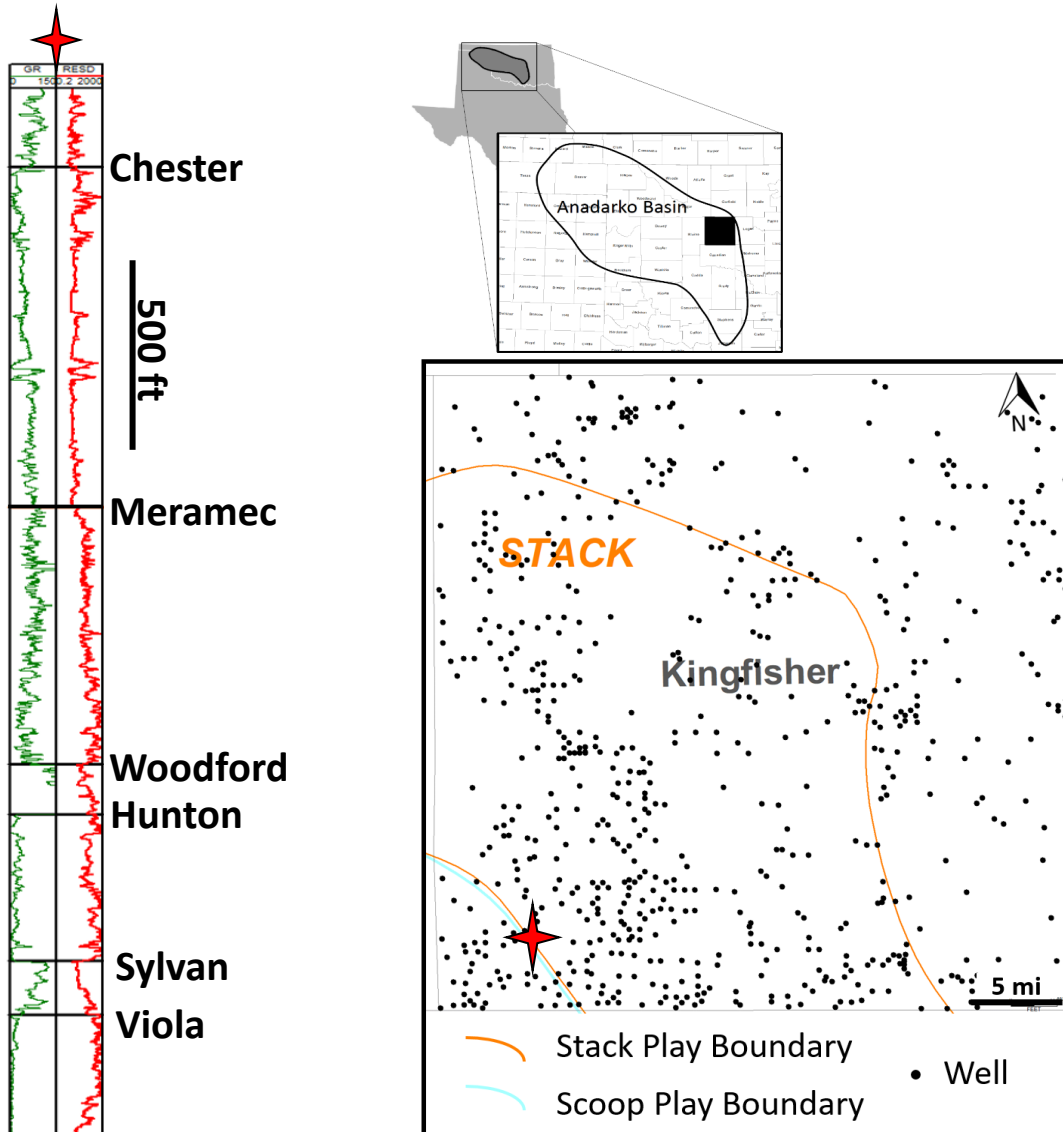
- ❖ Tops & comparison distances defined by interpreter
- ❖ Incorporates standard correlation rules
- ❖ Tops do not cross
- ❖ Adheres to structure and isochore statistics
- ❖ Minimizes false positives to reduce time spent reviewing



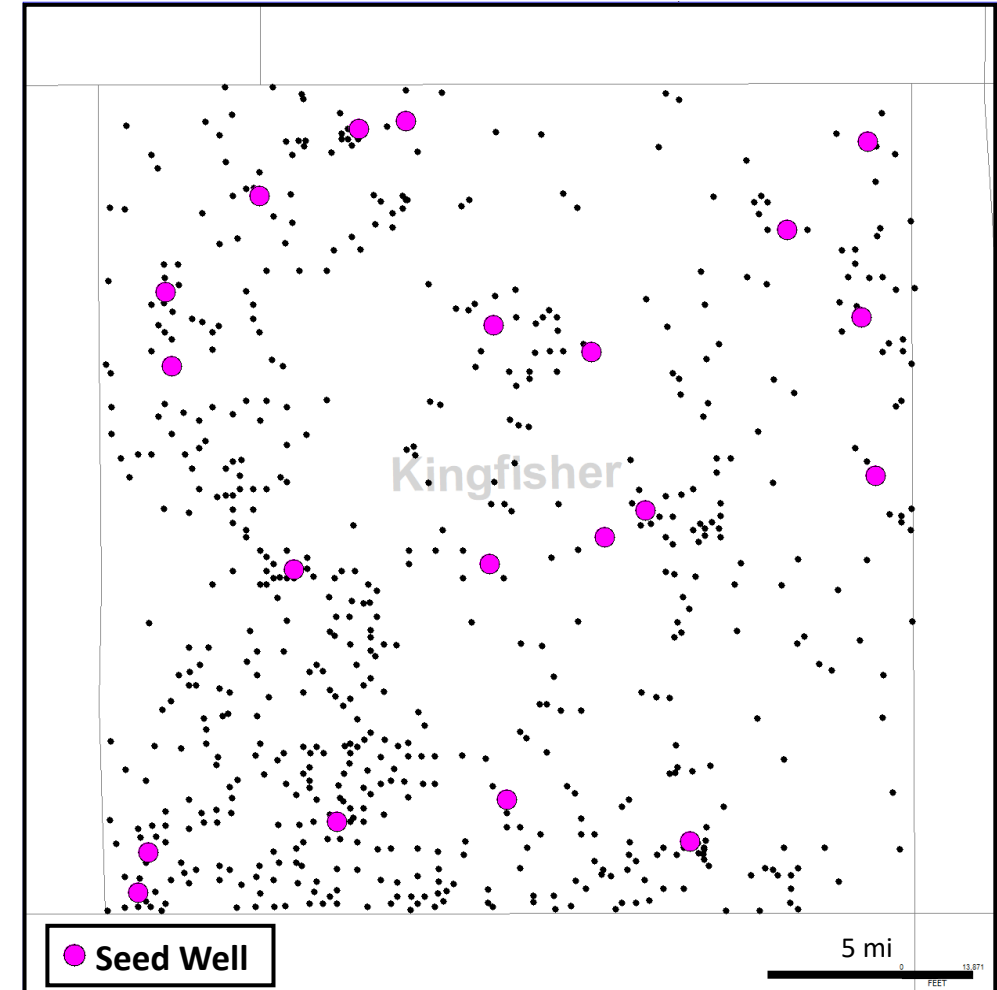
***Distance btwn wells = 4 miles**



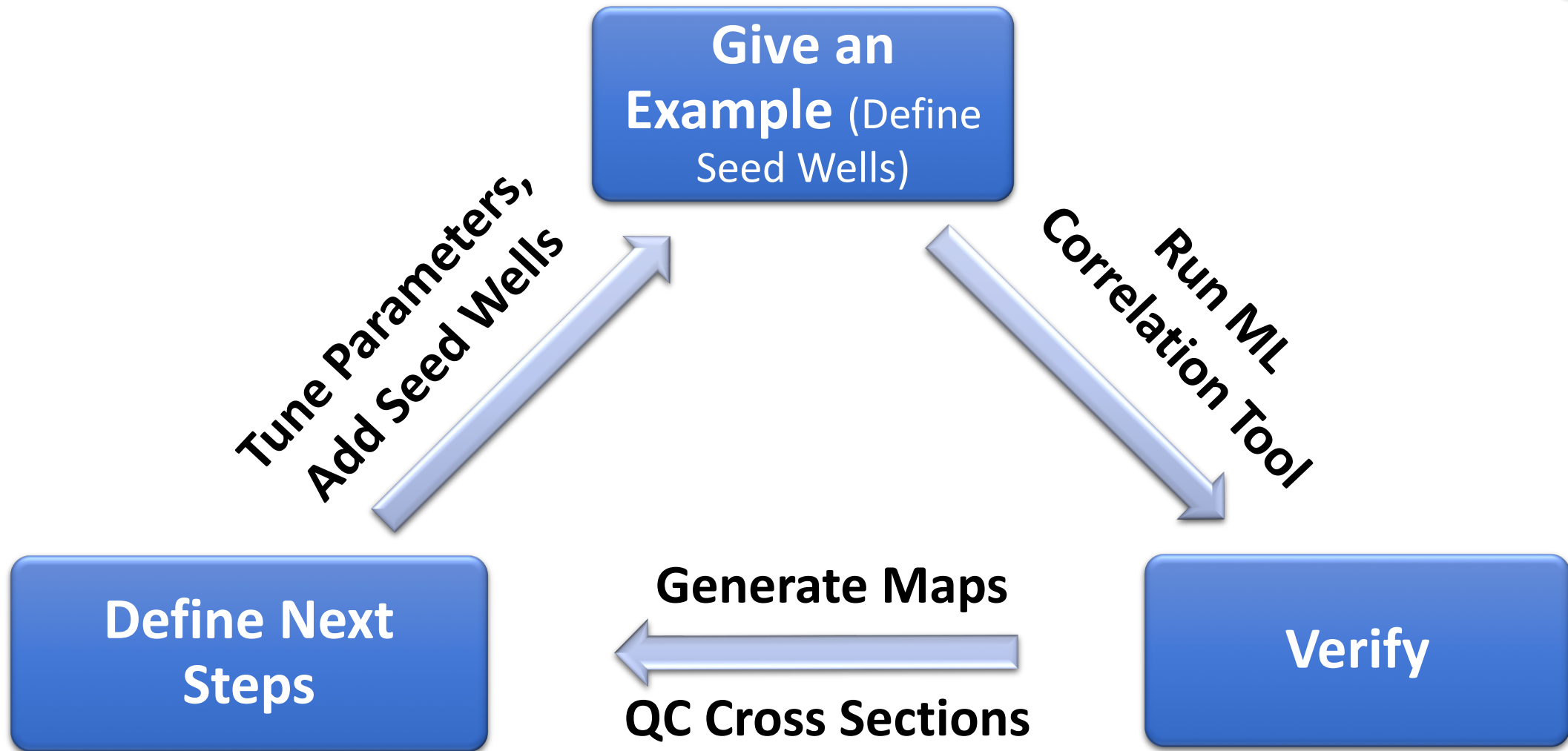
Case Study: STACK Play, Anadarko Basin



20 Manually Correlated “Seed Wells”



20 Wells Interpreted. 3.6% Data Coverage. 30 minutes

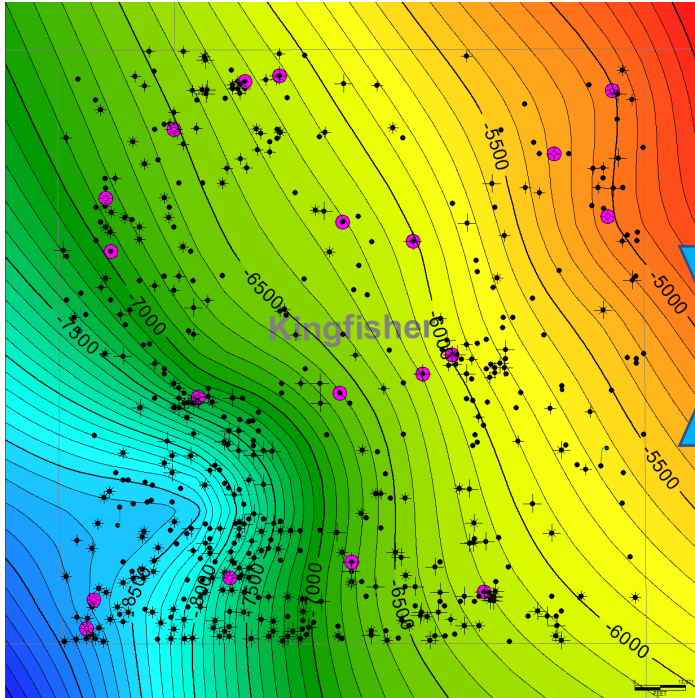


Stratigraphic Framework Evolution



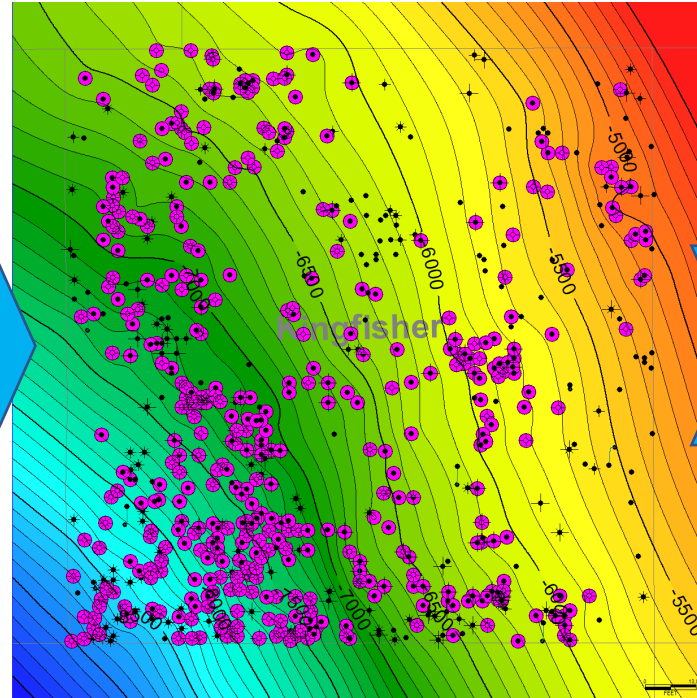
Top of Meramec Structure Maps

Seed Well Selection



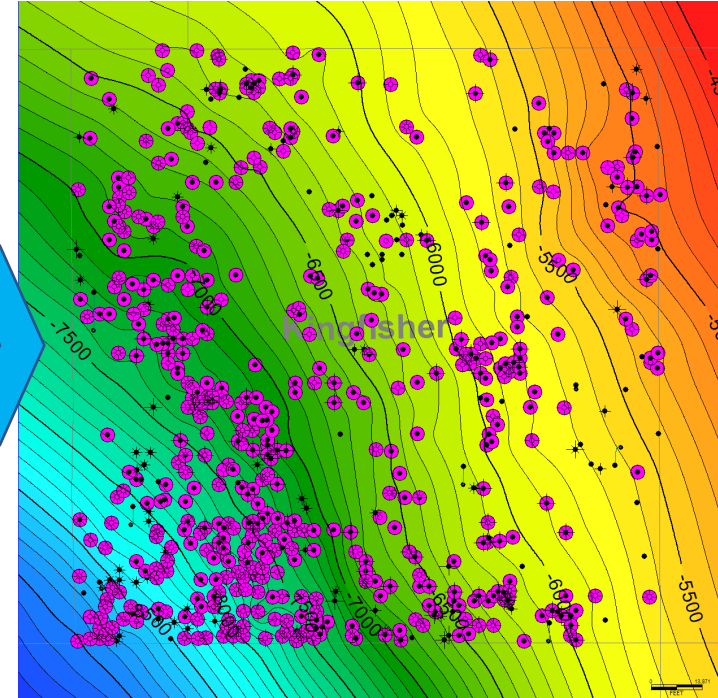
20 Wells Correlated
4% Dataset Coverage
Time 30 Minutes

1st Iteration

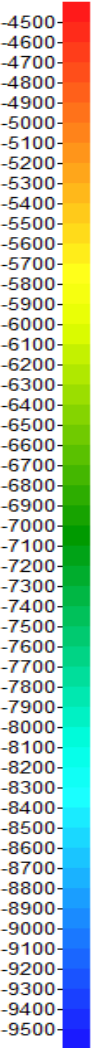


457 Wells Correlated
84% Dataset Coverage
Time 9.5 Minutes

2nd Iteration



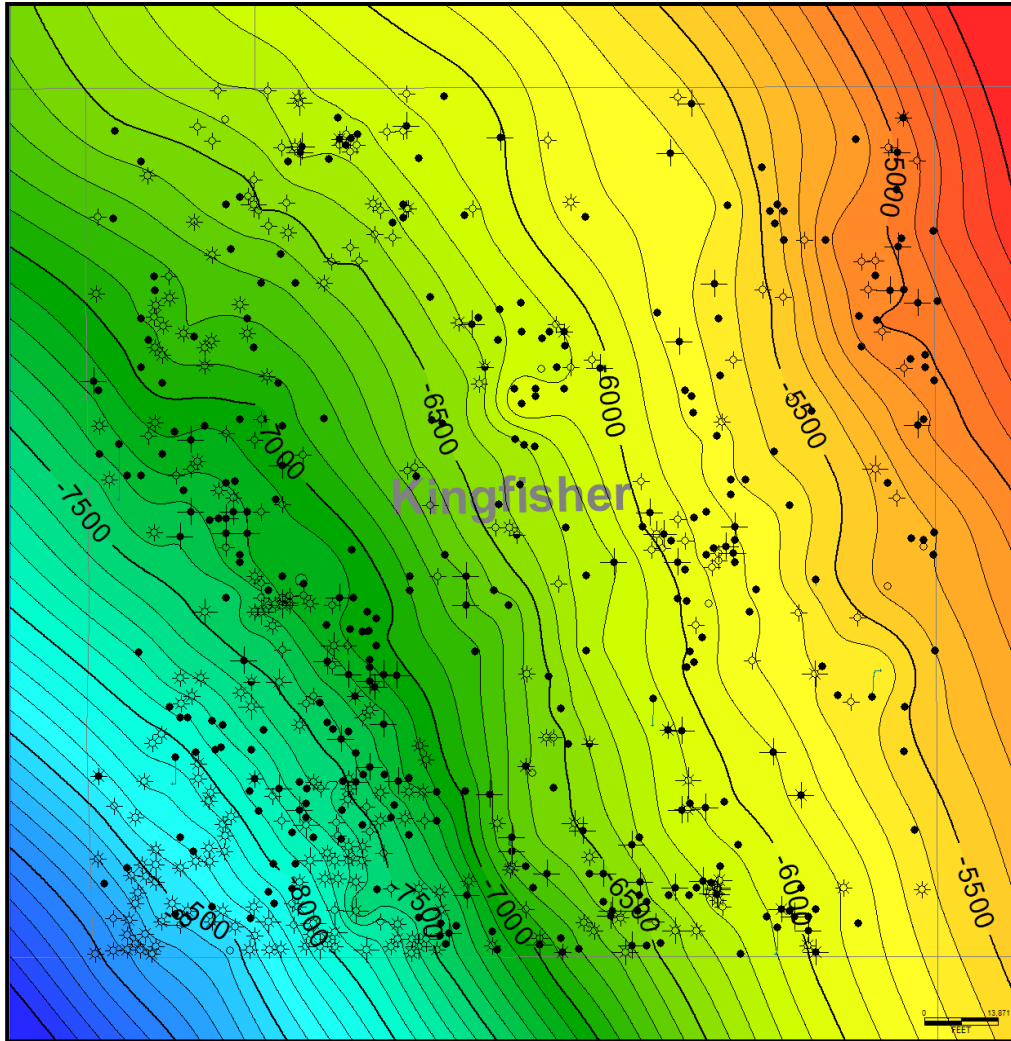
510 Wells Correlated
94% Dataset Coverage
Time 1.7 Minutes



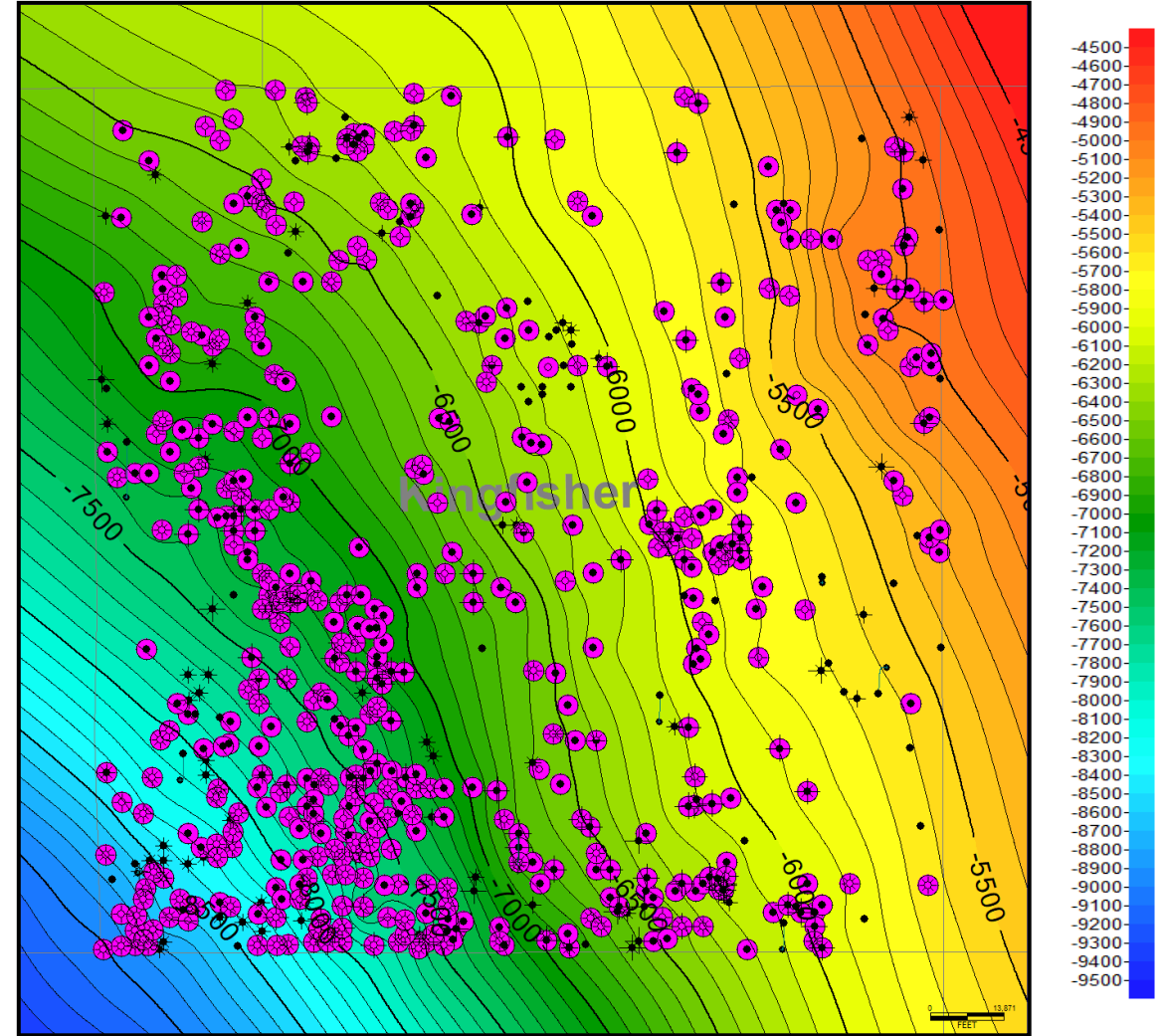
Machine Learning Results: 97% Accuracy



Manually Correlated Meramec Structure



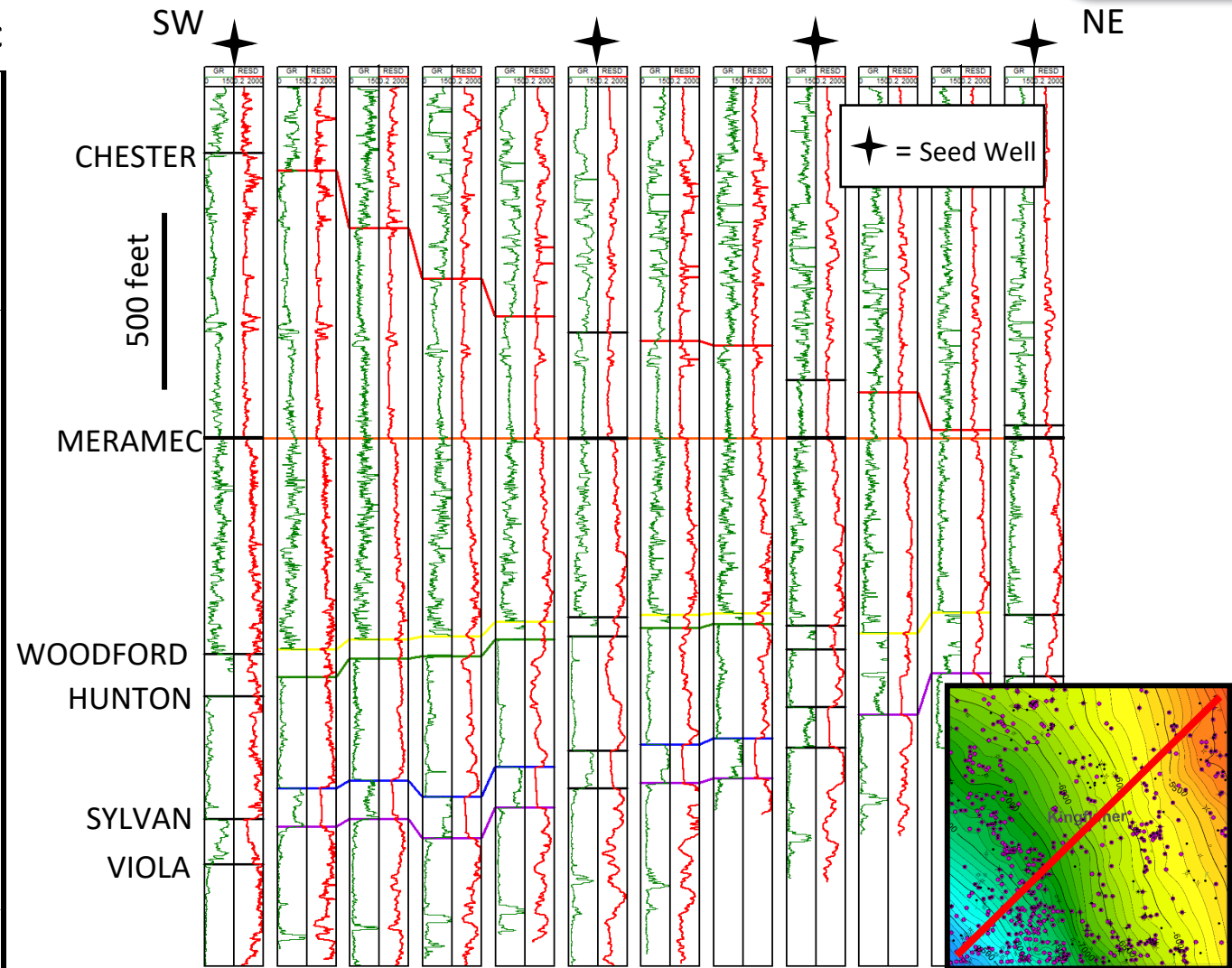
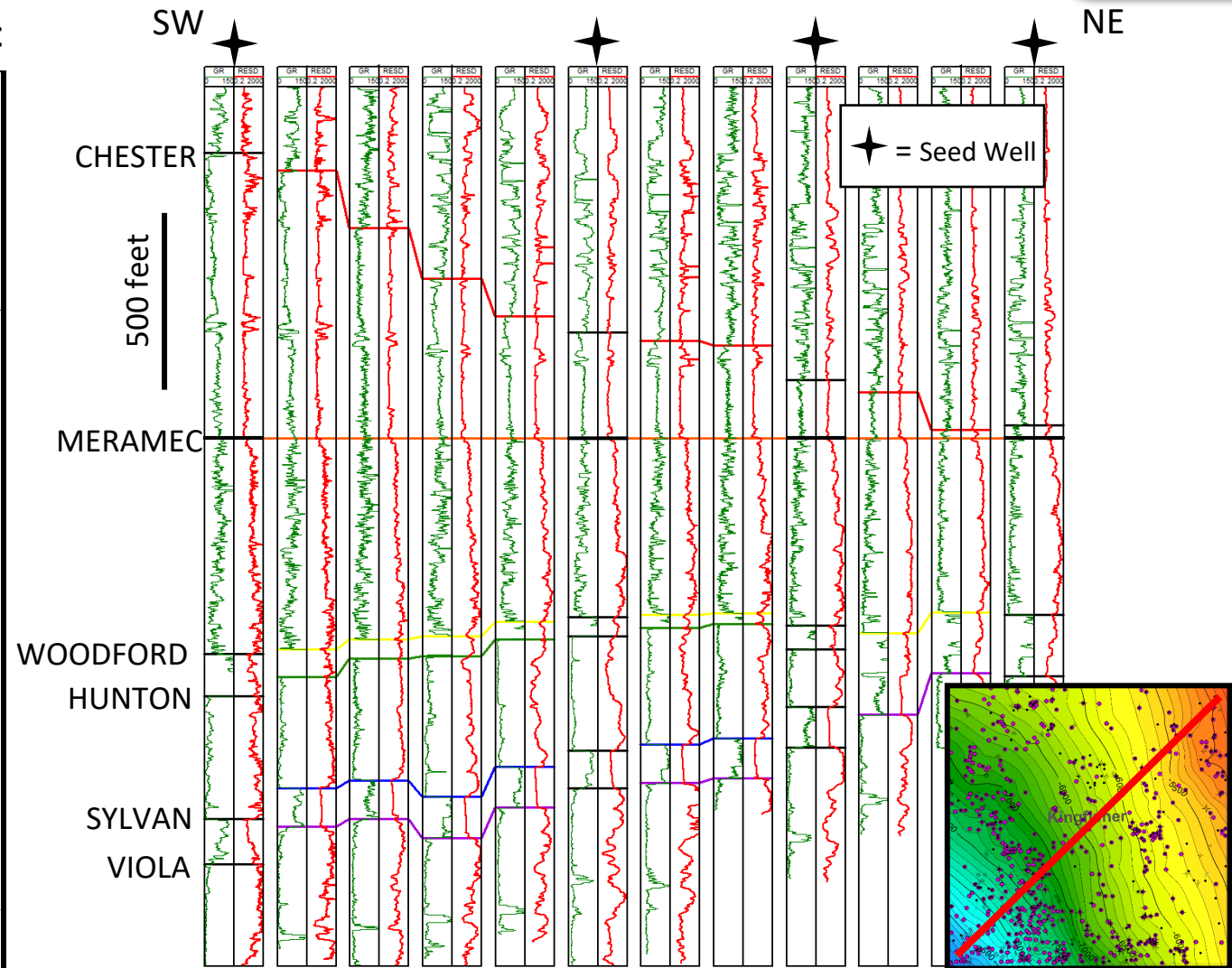
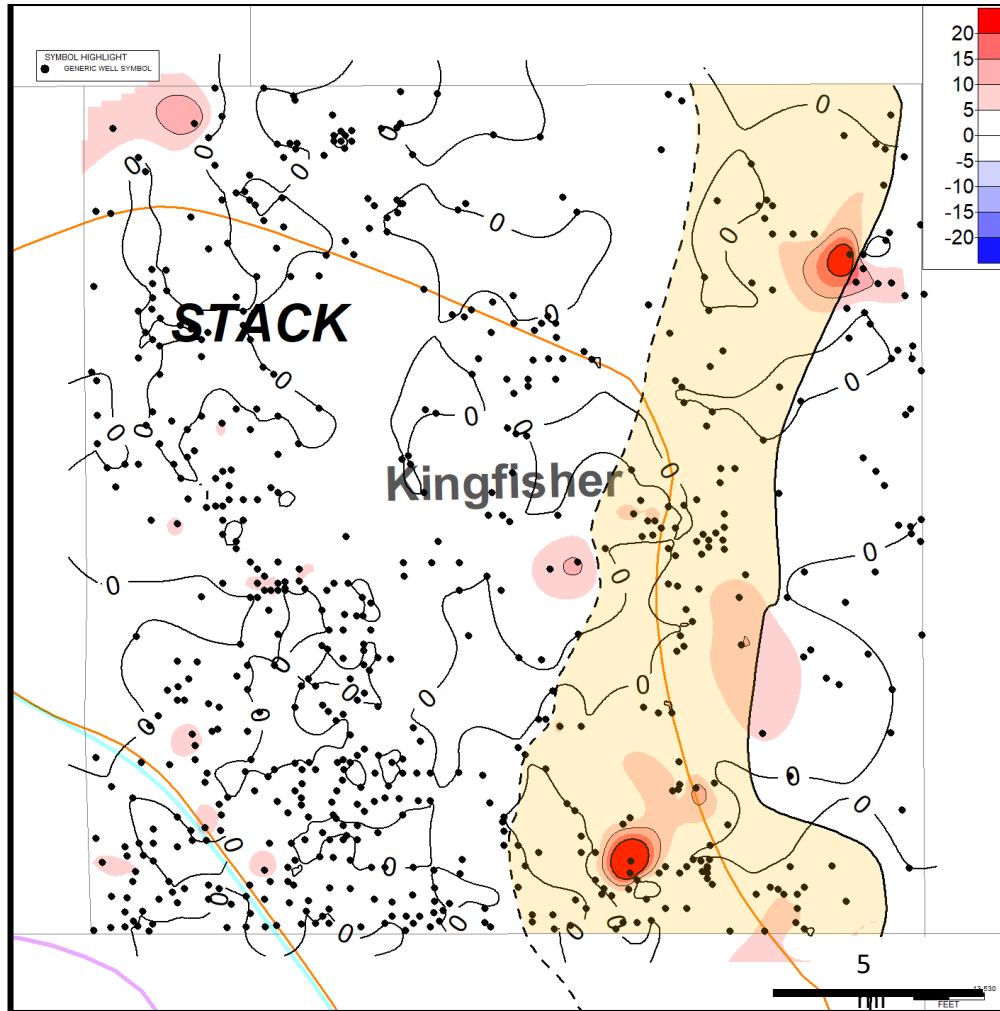
Machine Assisted Meramec Structure



Enabling Interpreters to Focus on Complexity



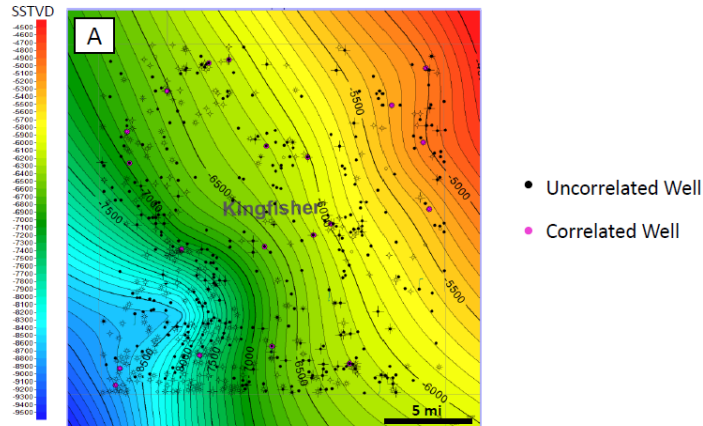
Manual vs. Machine-Assisted Top of Meramec



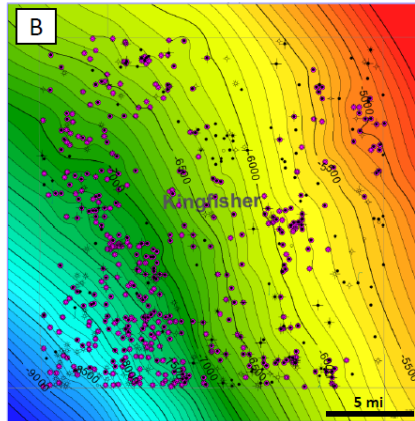
Case Study: Summary



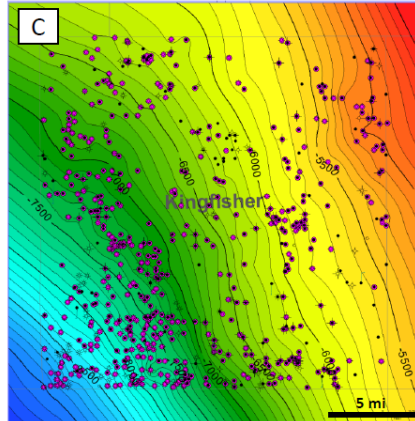
Top of Meramec Structural Map



Correlation Tool Seed Wells
Total Meramec Tops: **20**
% Dataset Correlated: **3.6%**



Correlation Tool Iterations: 1
Total Meramec Tops: **457**
% Dataset Correlated: **84.0%**
Computation Time: **9.45 mins**



Correlation Tool Iterations: 2
Total Meramec Tops: **509**
% Dataset Correlated: **93.6%**
Computation Time: **1.7 mins**

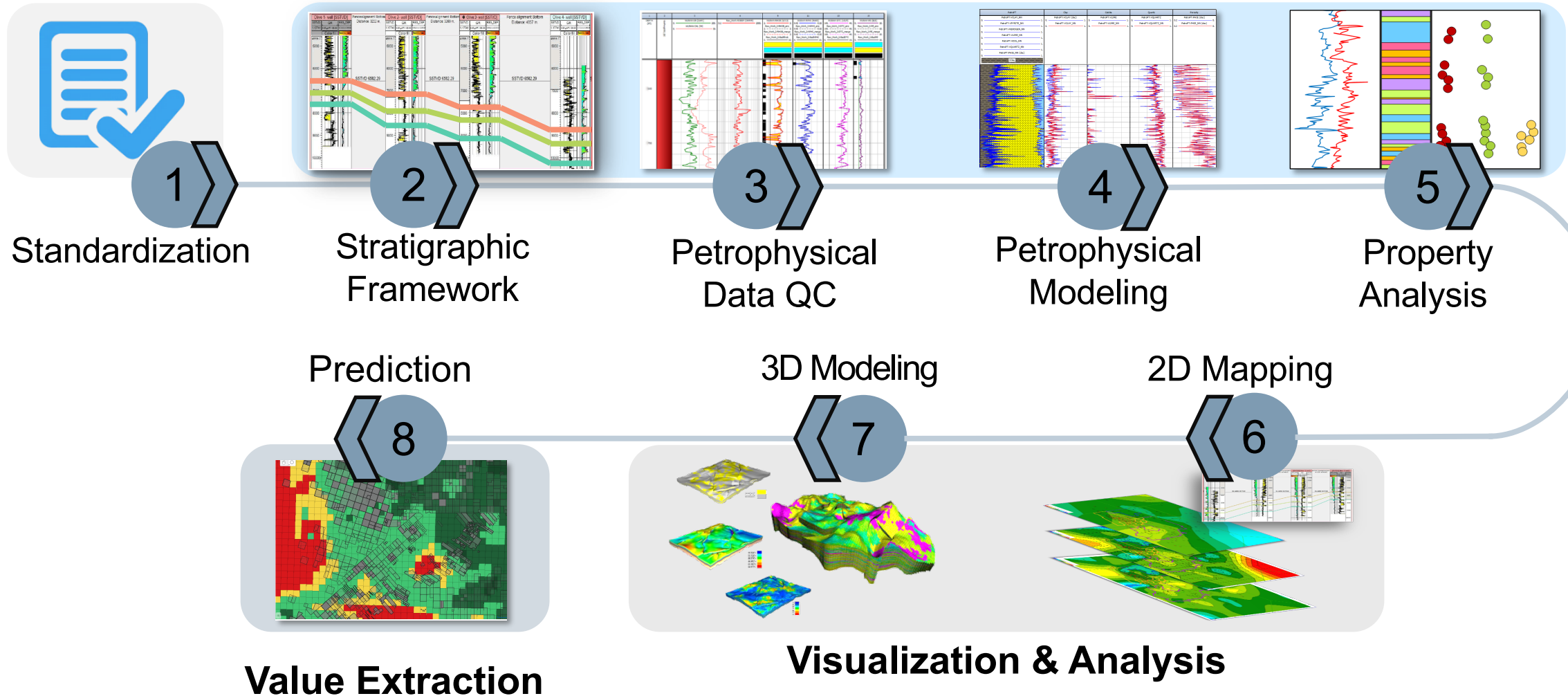
- Deployed a novel tool for well log correlation
 - Pattern recognition using deep neural network
 - 3D search window & traditional correlation logic
 - Incorporated SME insights
- Iterative approach yields robust & accurate correlations
 - 2 tool iterations
 - 4% to 94% dataset coverage
 - 11 minutes compute time

Leveraging AI to Enhance Reservoir Characterization



Data Prep

Interpretation & Analysis





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