



TopSeis – Shooting over the seismic spread ... with examples from the Barents Sea

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TopSeis

Shooting over the seismic spread



Artist's impression
August 2016

TopSeis

Geo Caspian

Shooting over the seismic spread

TopSeis full-scale real acquisition
August 2017

Geo Coral

Drone photo

TopSeis

Full-scale real acquisition
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Jan Erik Lie Chief Geo in Lundin
Geo Coral, September 2017



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TopSeis



Barents Sea

September 2017

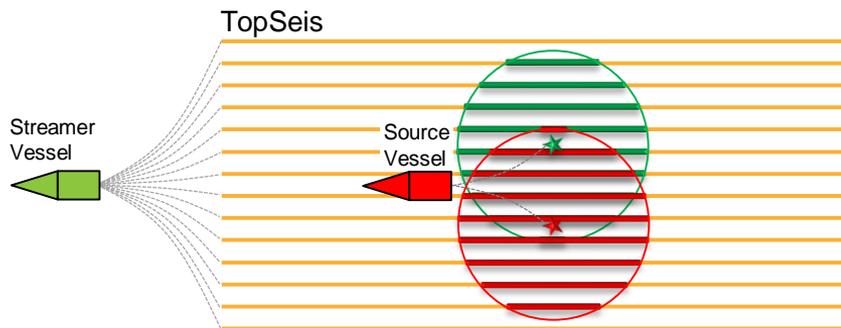
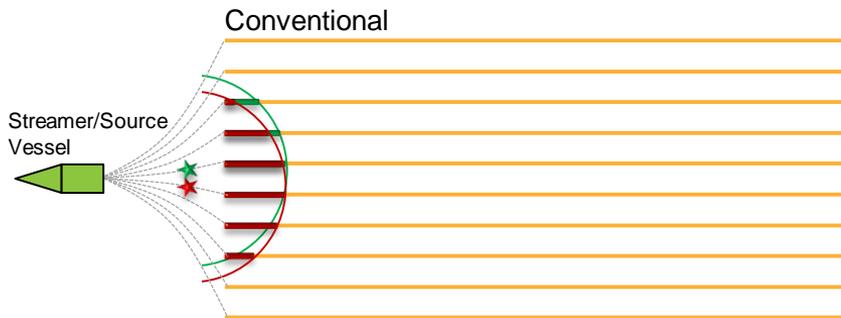


Rowing on the Barents Sea
Geo Coral, September 2017



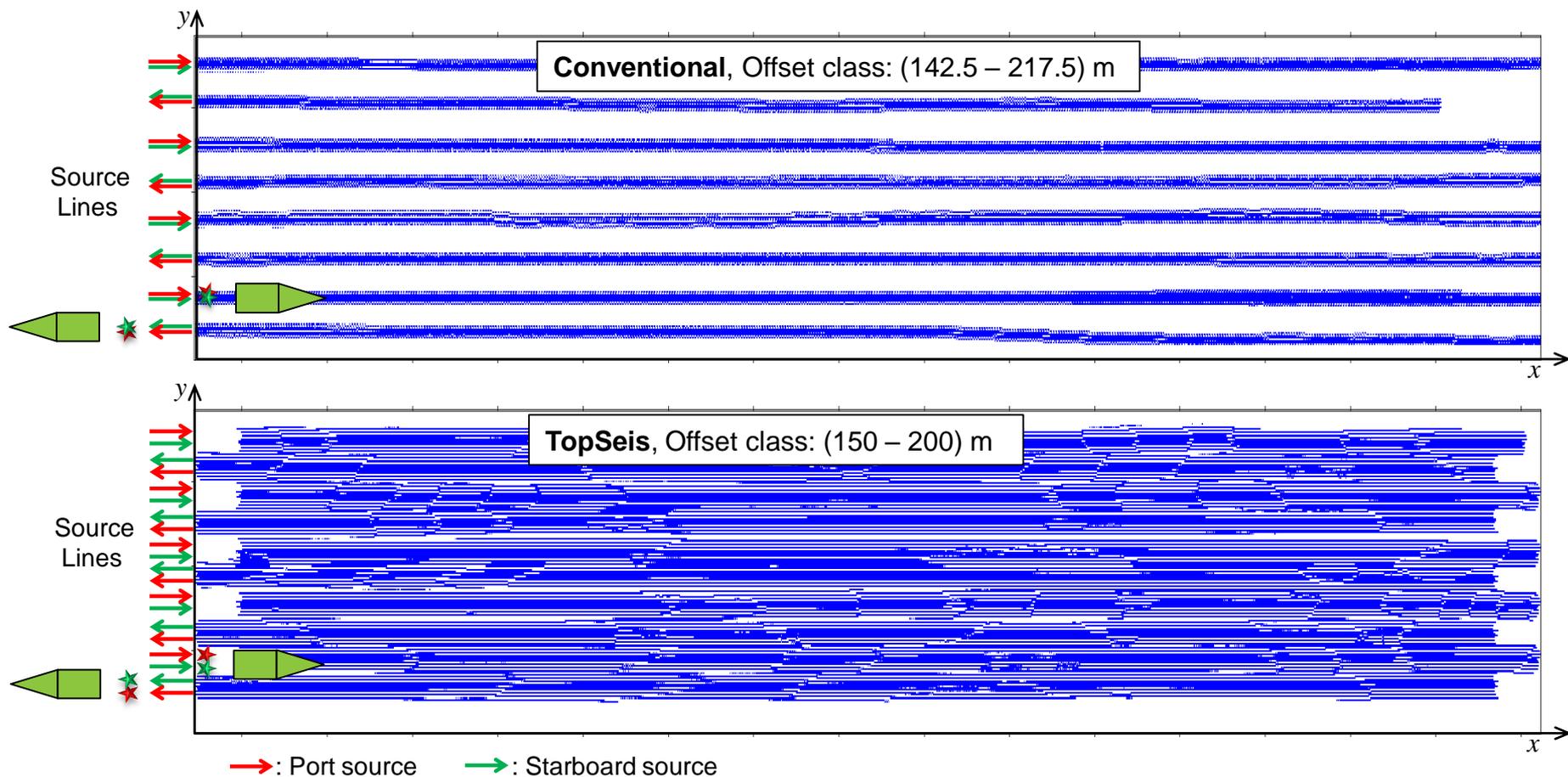


What is TopSeis?



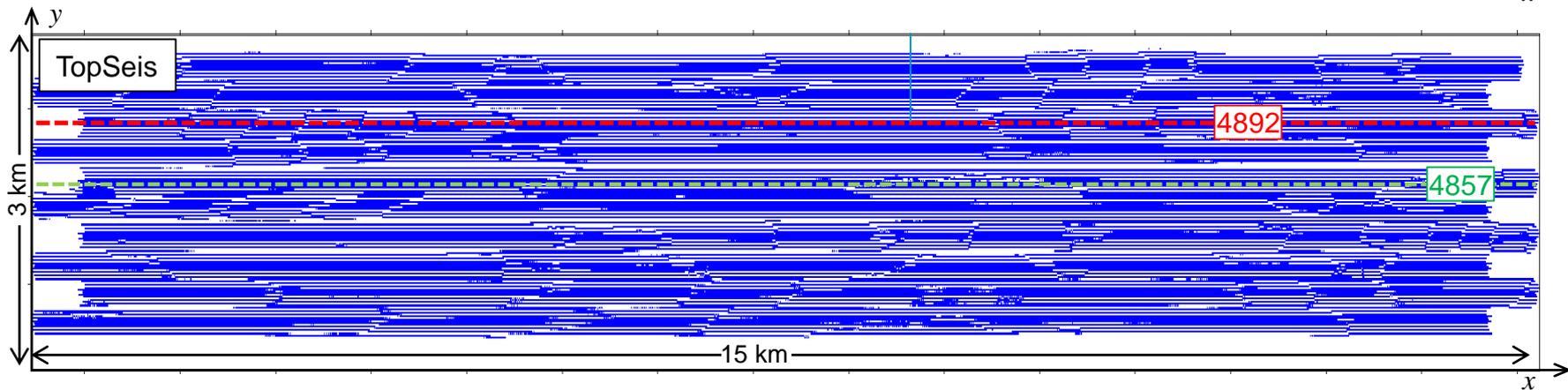
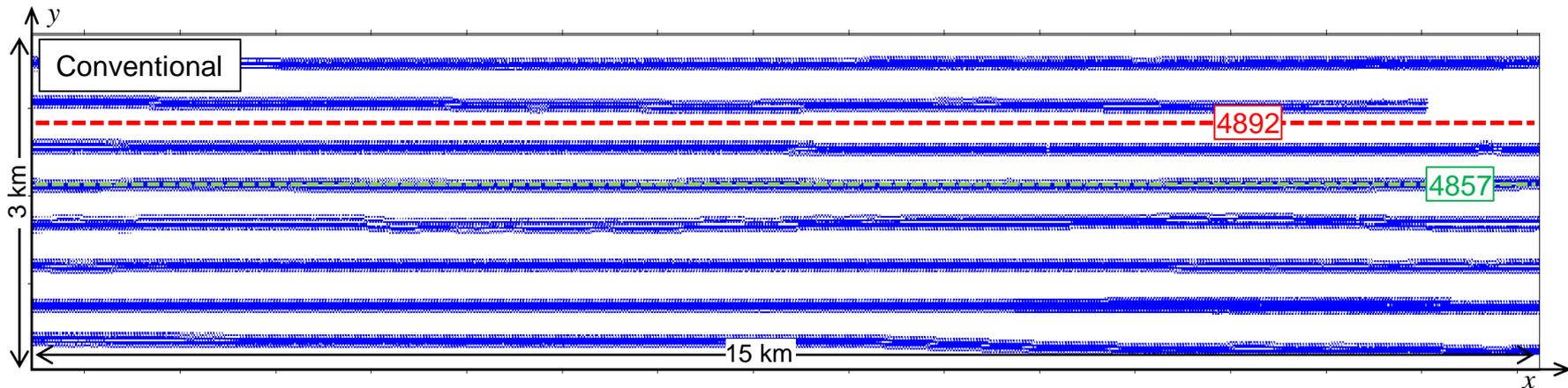
- Sources on top of the spread
...for zero-offsets and split spread
- Wide towed sources
...to reduce the minimum offset
- Dense spatial sampling
...to increase subsurface illumination

Near offset CMP coverage on a field test

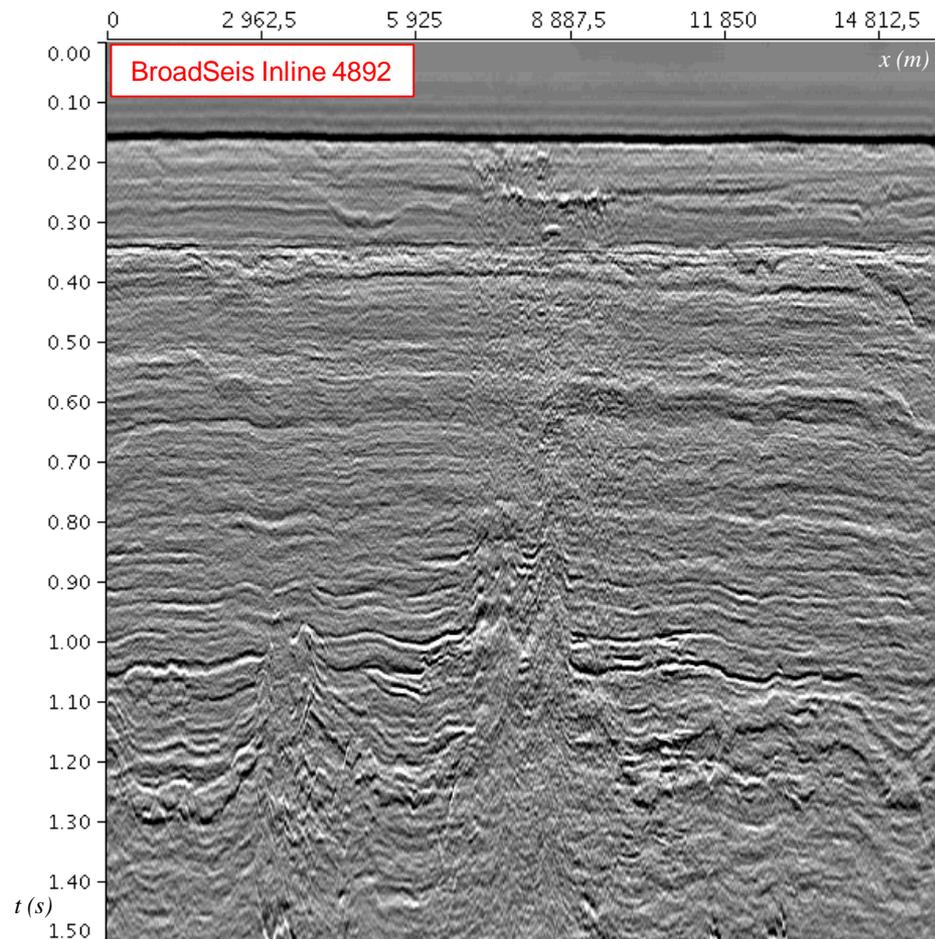
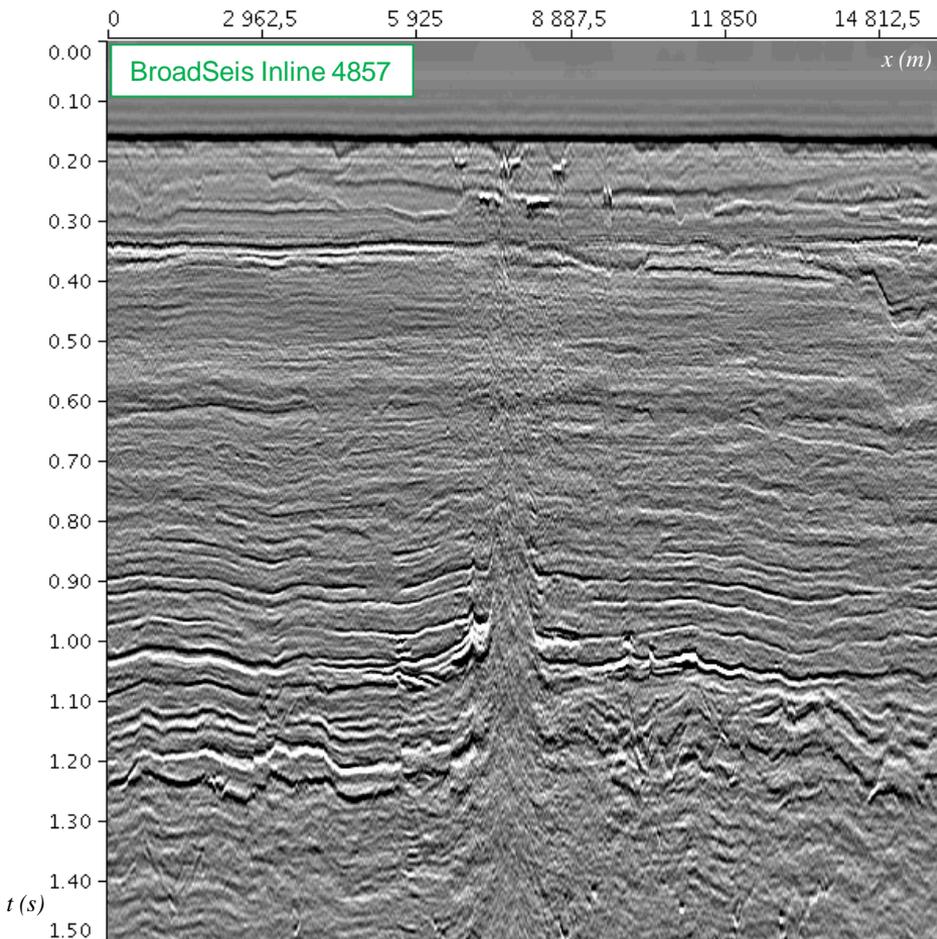




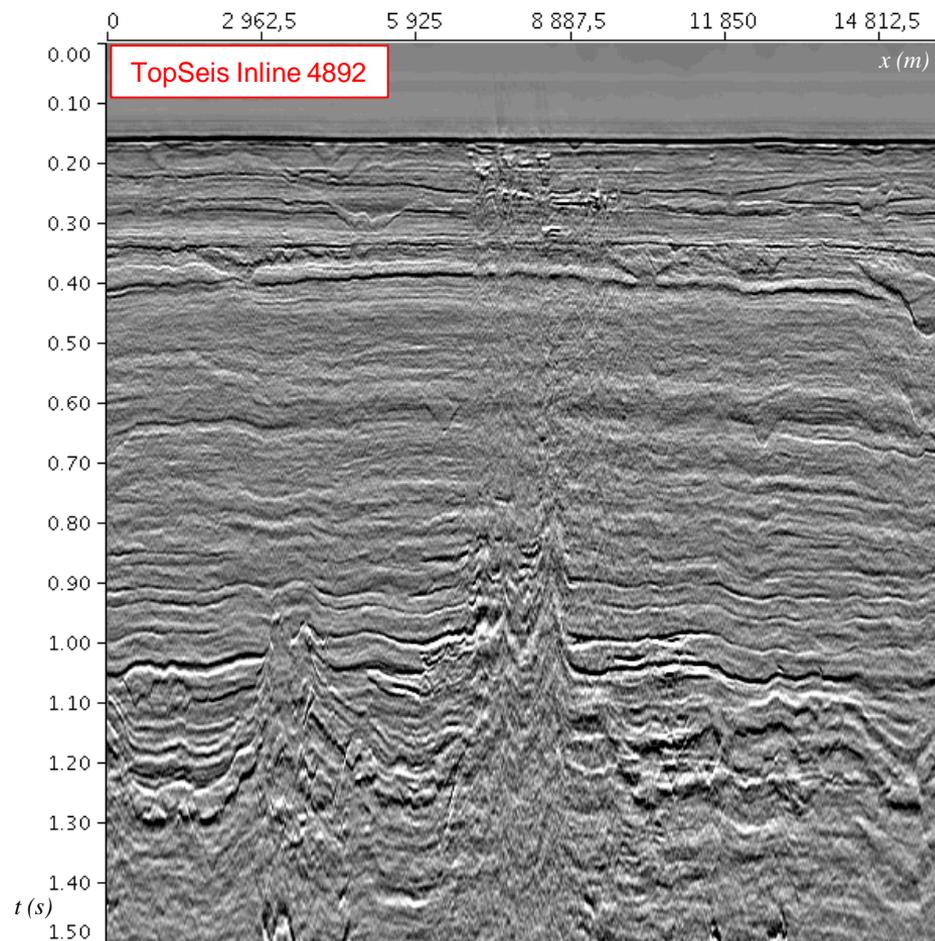
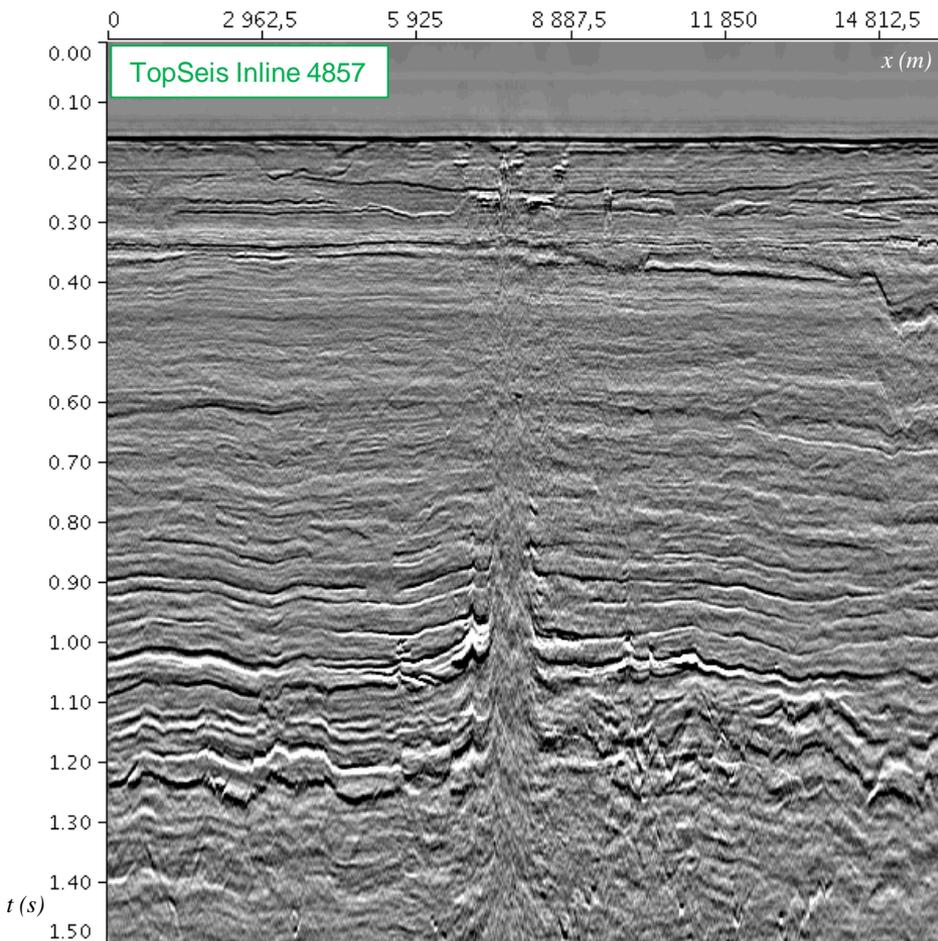
The Good Lines and the Not-So-Good lines on Conventional



Conventional Inlines – down to 1.5 s

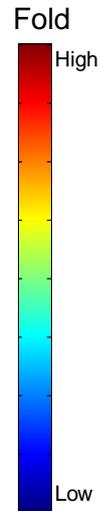
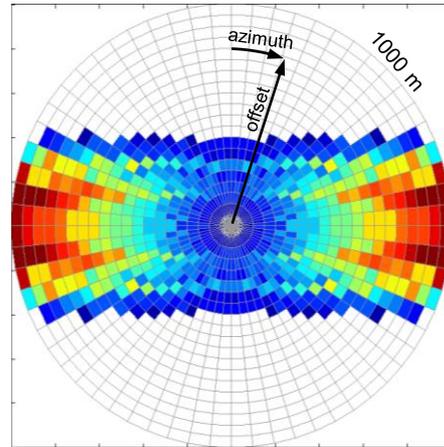
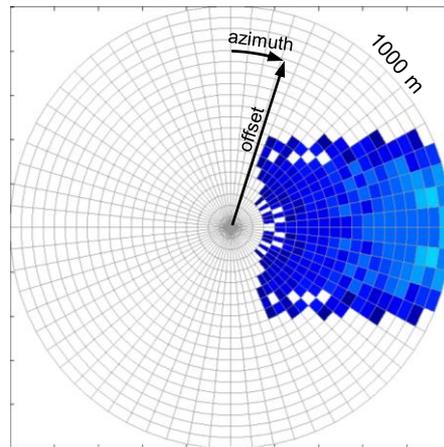
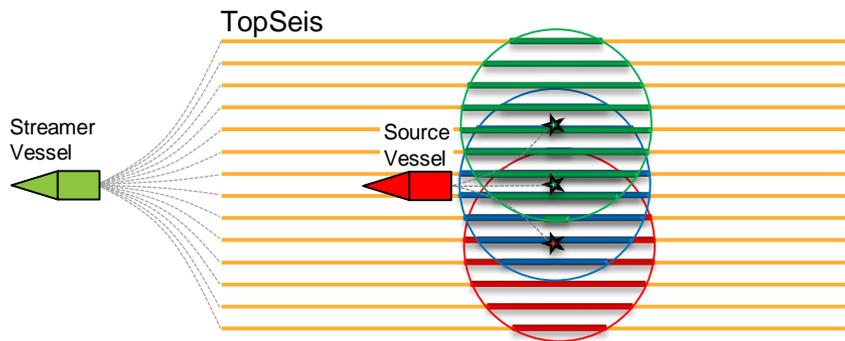
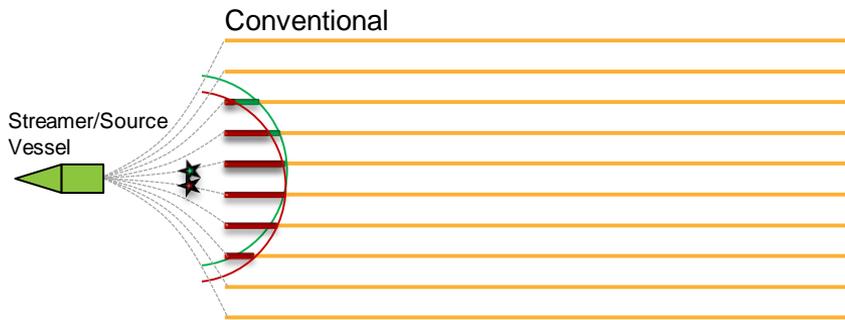


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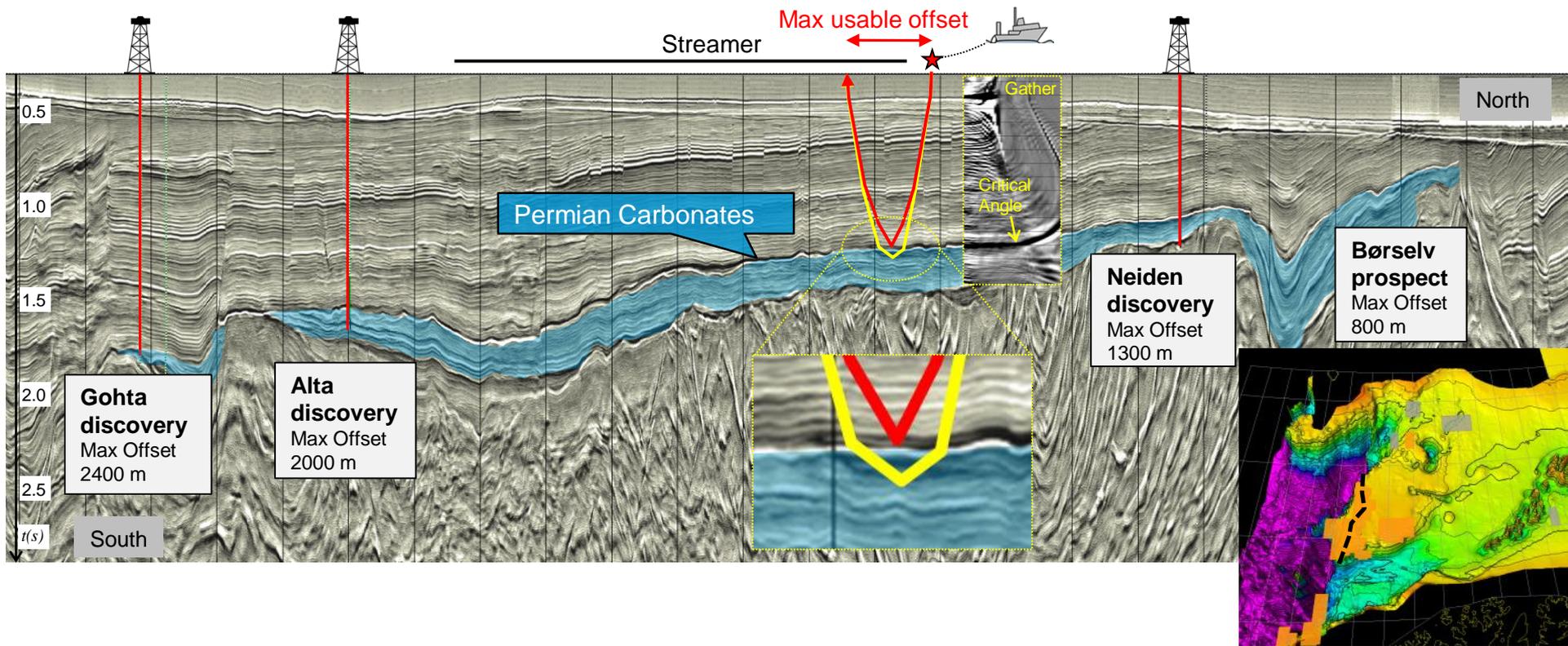


TopSeis with triple source for denser crossline sampling



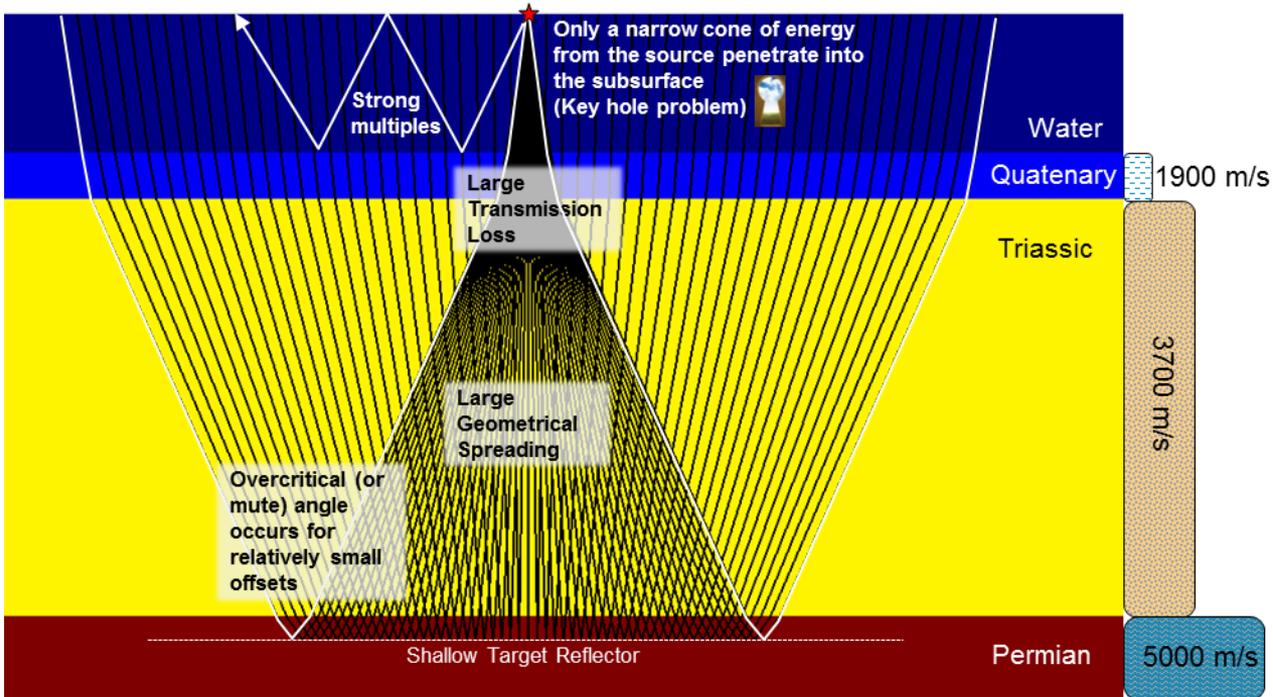


Motivation – Better imaging in the Barents Sea

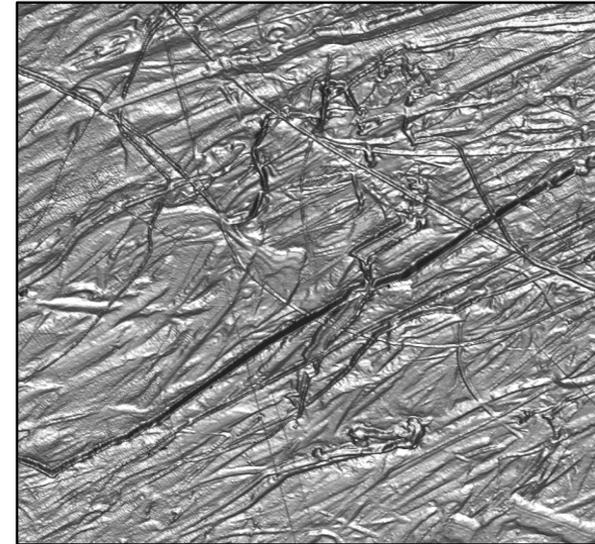




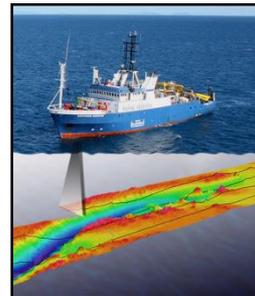
The imaging problems in the Barents Sea



Arch-typical, simplistic geology in the Loppa High area in the Barents Sea

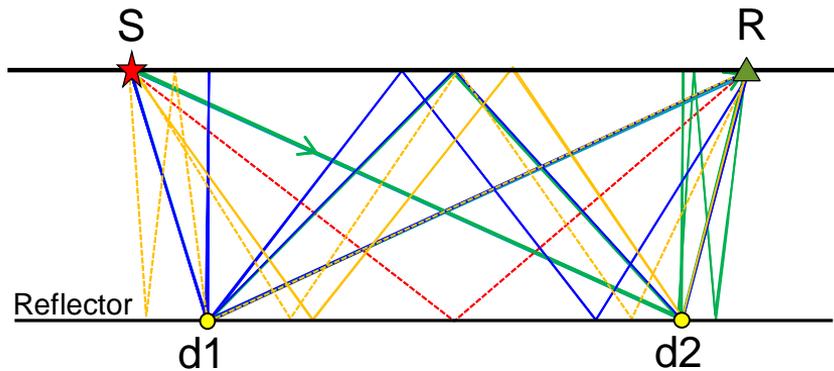


Alta-Gotha water bottom, Multi-Beam sonar





Multiples can be complicated



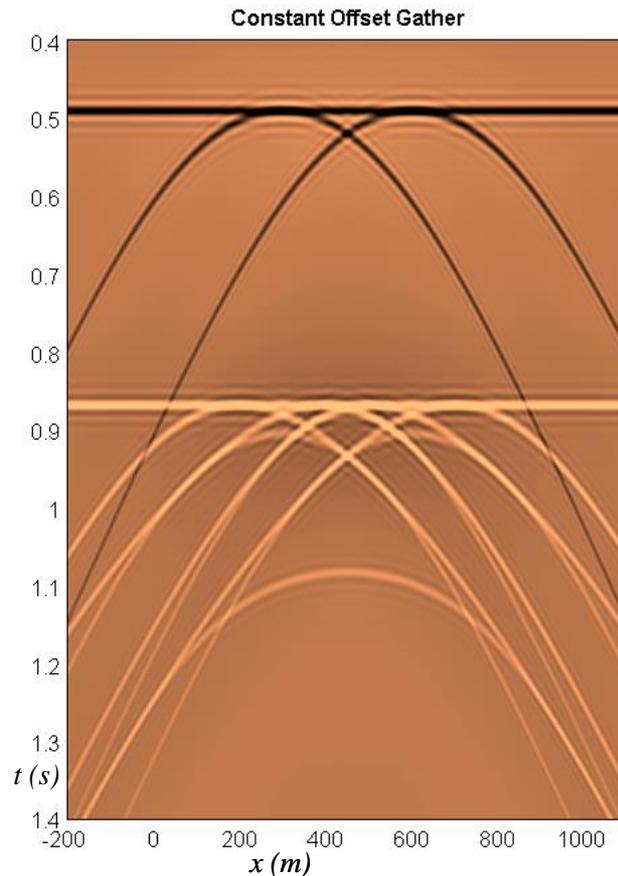
Primaries
reflection
d1
d2
1st order multiples
reflection – reflection
reflection – d1
reflection - d2
d1- reflection
d1 – d1
d1 – d2
d2 – reflection
d2 – d1
d2 – d2

Model:

One reflector and two diffractors giving 3 primary events

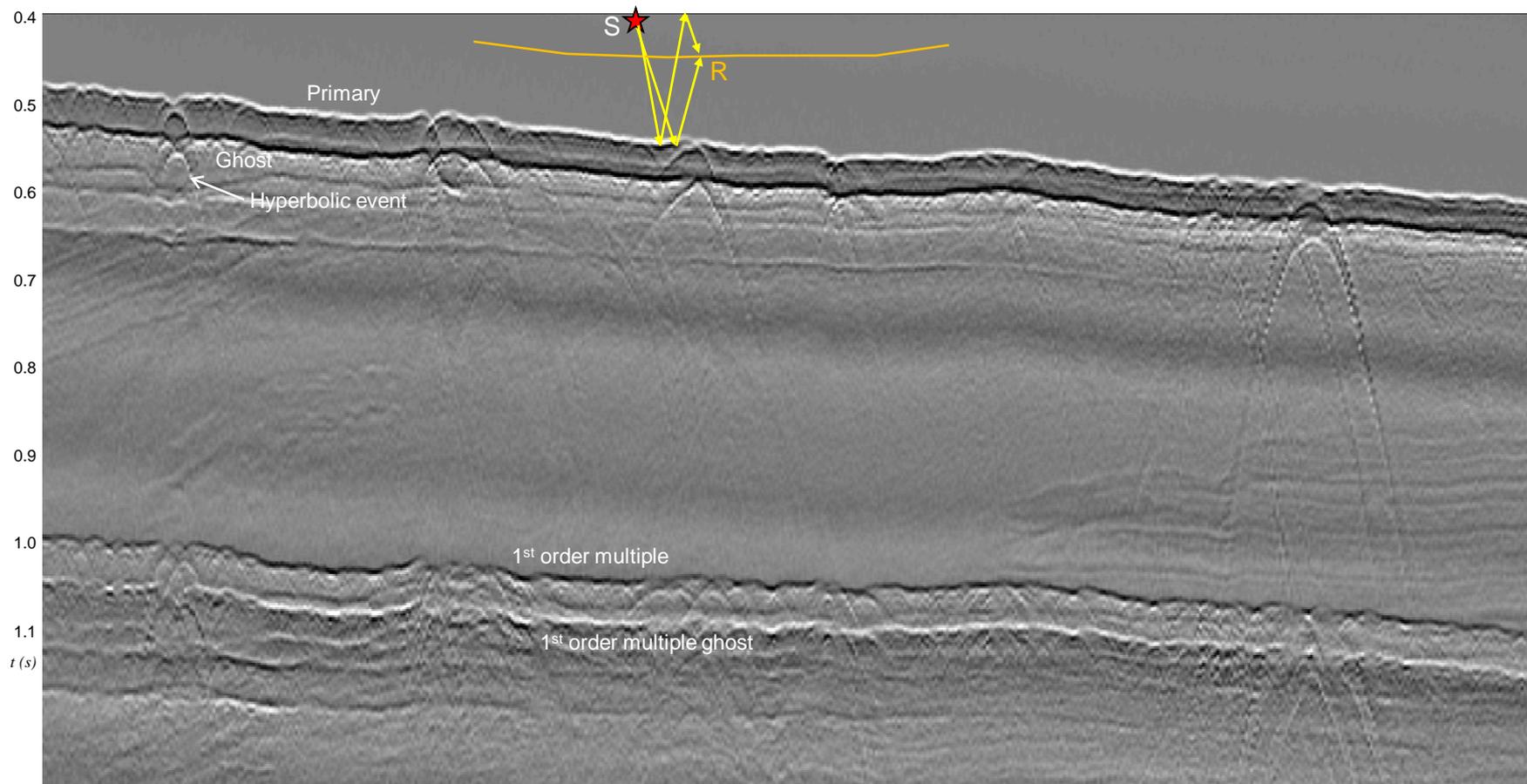
1st order multiple events:

$3^2 = 9$ multiple events

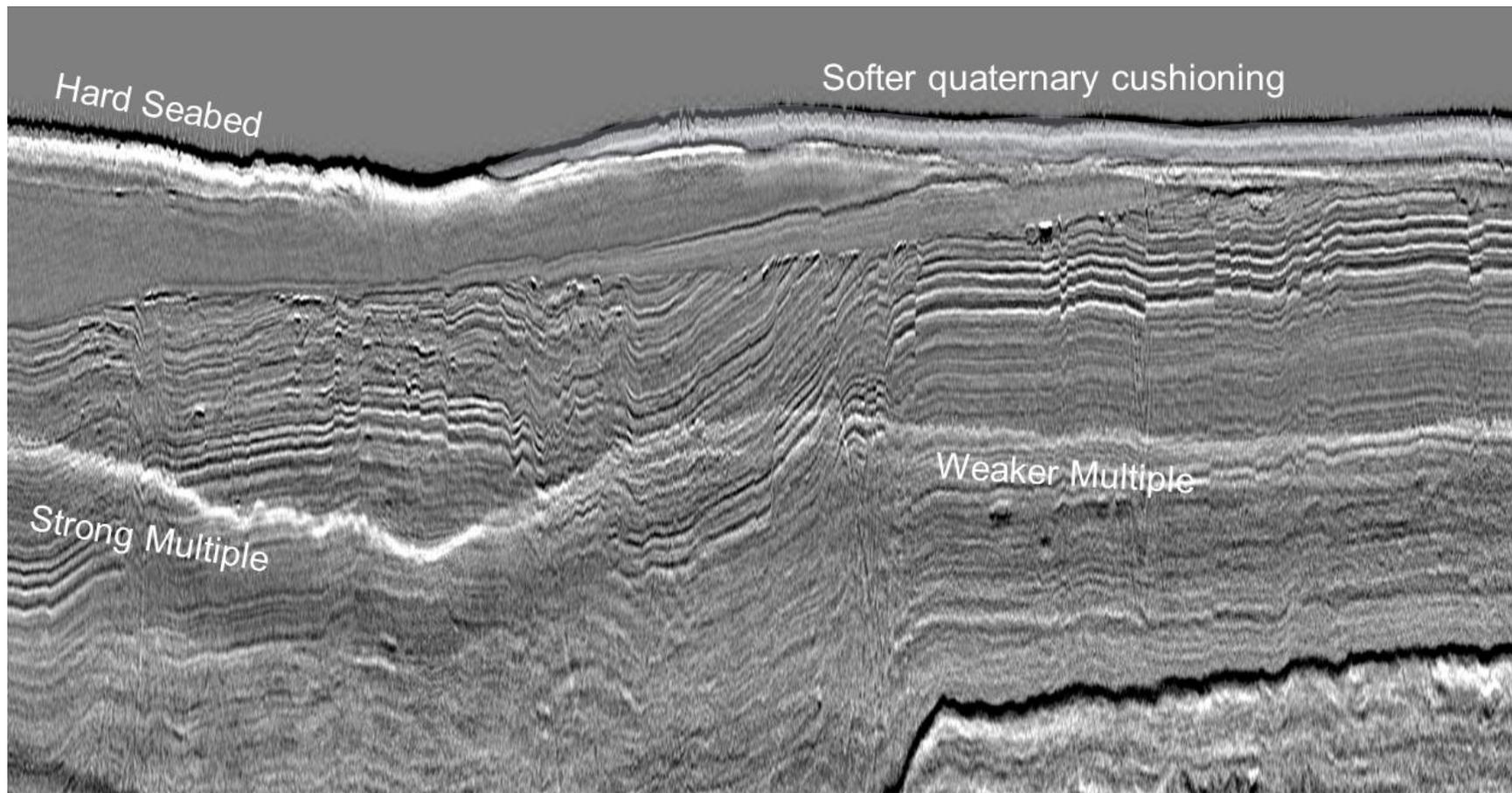




Barents Sea; Complex primary and even more complex multiples



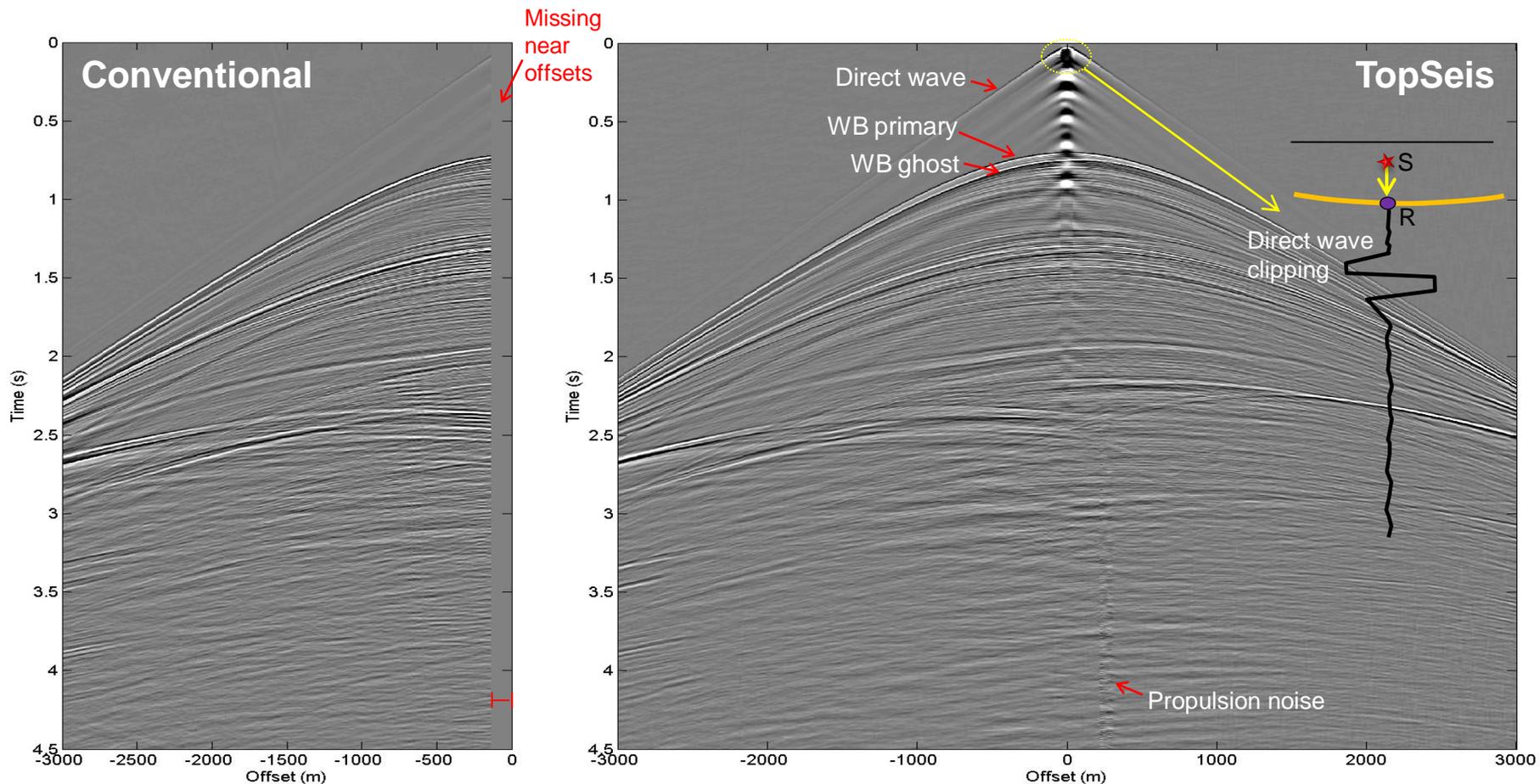
Constant Channel Gather, from TopSeis over Alta-Gotha , 2017



Seismic image with residual multiples, from conventional acquisition



Shot Gathers – Example from 2D test offshore Gabon





2014 - 2015

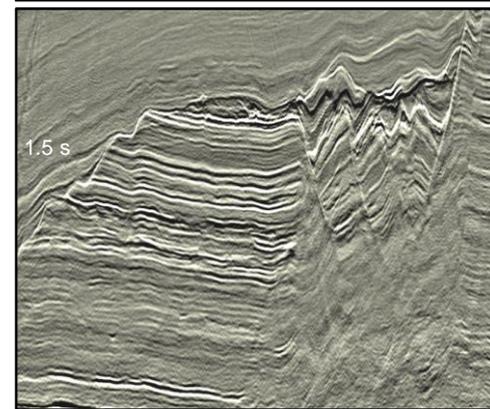
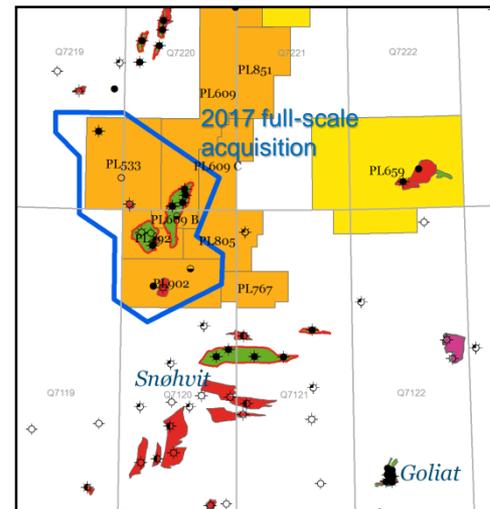
- Comprehensive modelling program
- Geowave Voyager shooting over the spread of Endeavour
- Geowave Voyager with wide-towed source to assess the wide-tow limits

2016

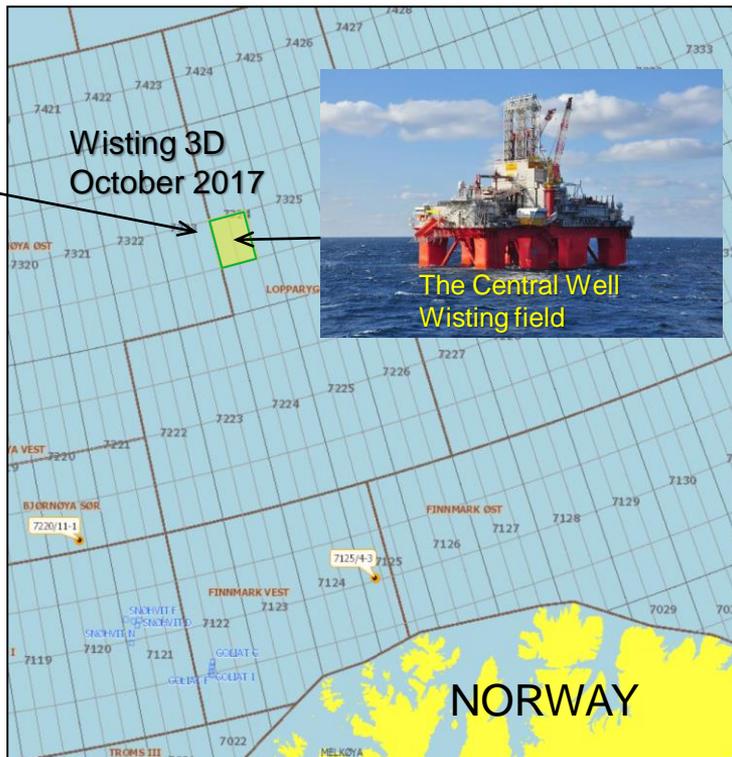
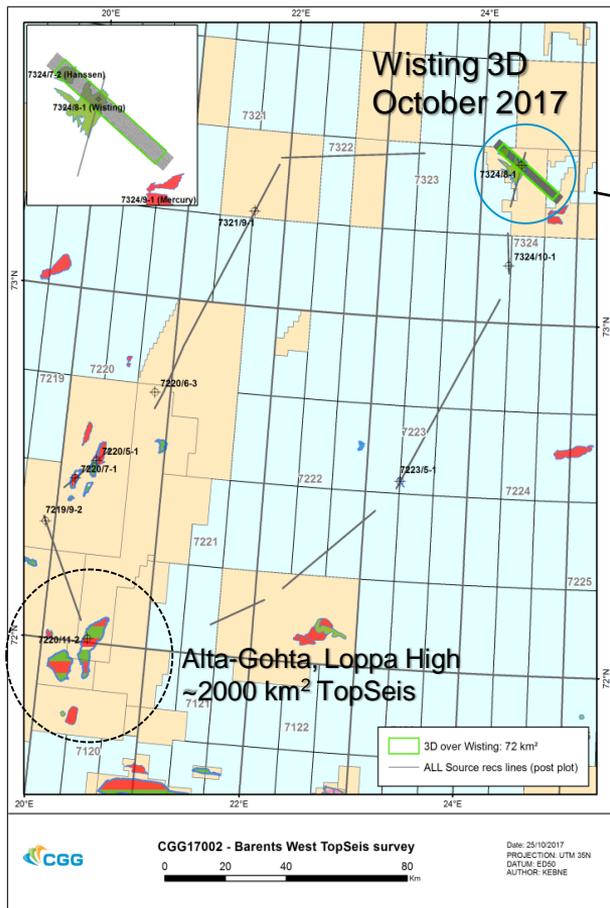
- 2D line (30 km) of TopSeis vs BroadSeis offshore Gabon
- 3D TopSeis on Frigg-Gamma in the North Sea (15 x 3) km

2017 – Barents Sea

- Full-scale ~2000 km² over Loppa High
- “Tour” of 2D lines
- 3D on Wisting (24 x 3) km



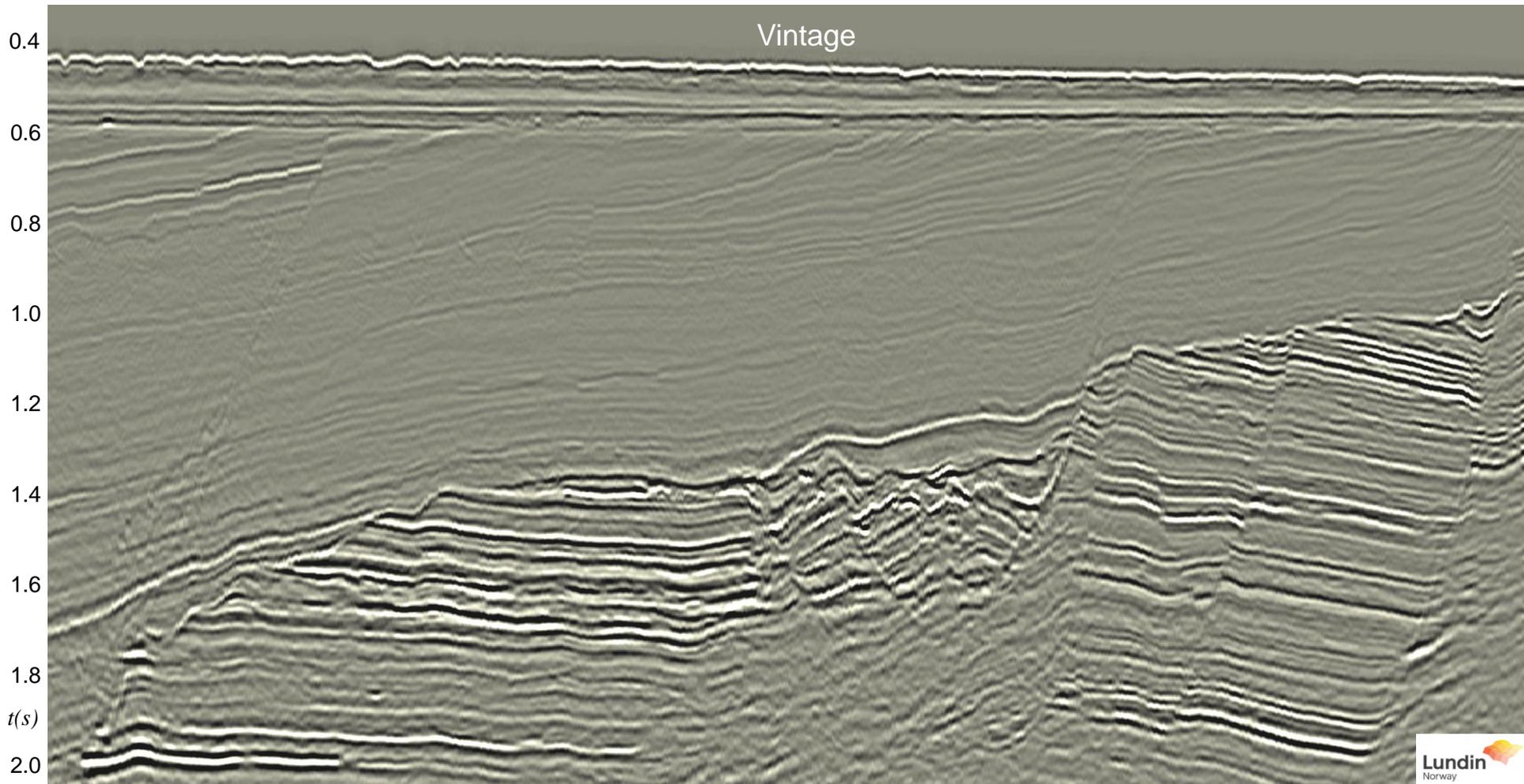
Preliminary TopSeis data, Barents Sea

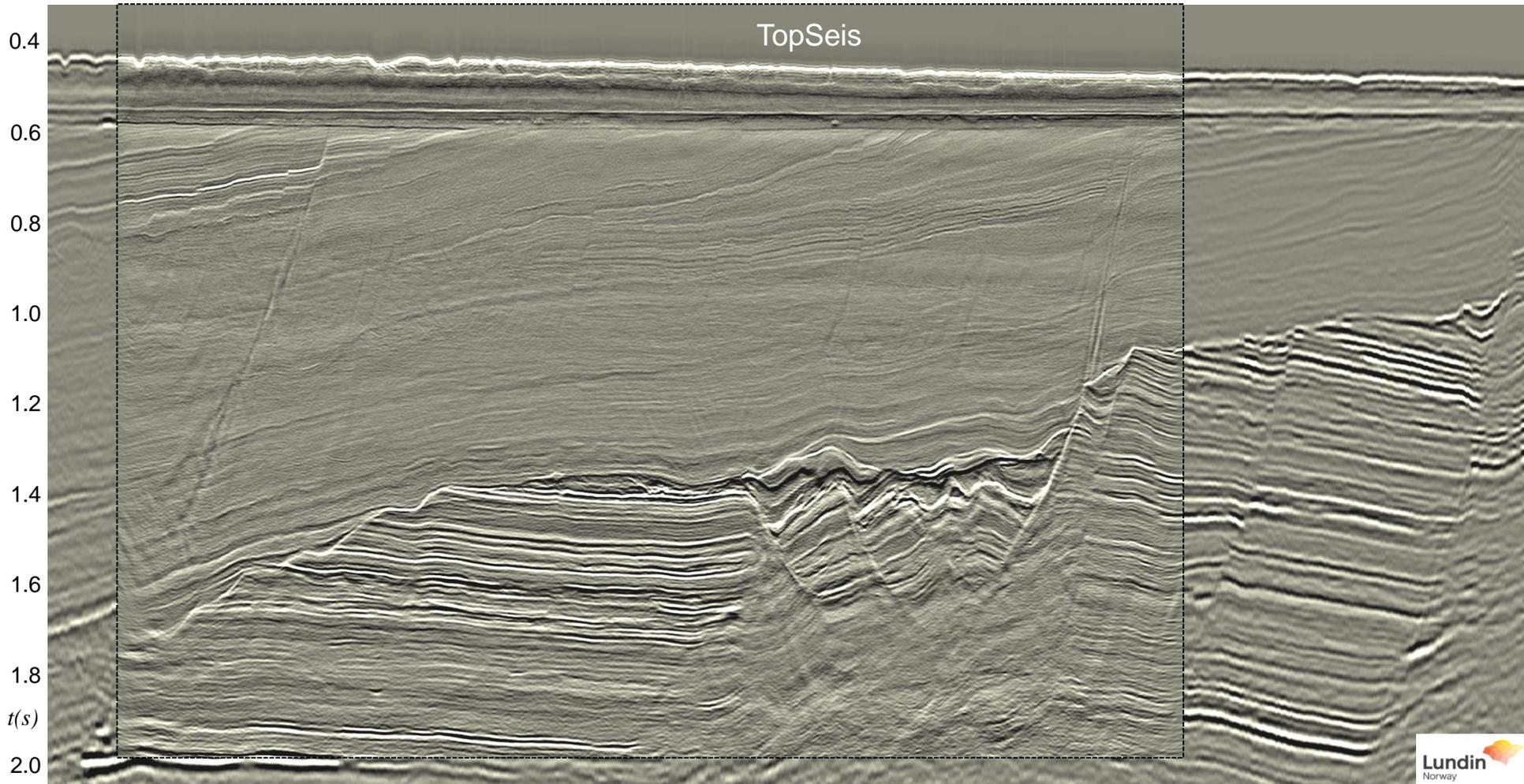


CGG Multi-Client data

TopSeis in the Barents Sea 2017

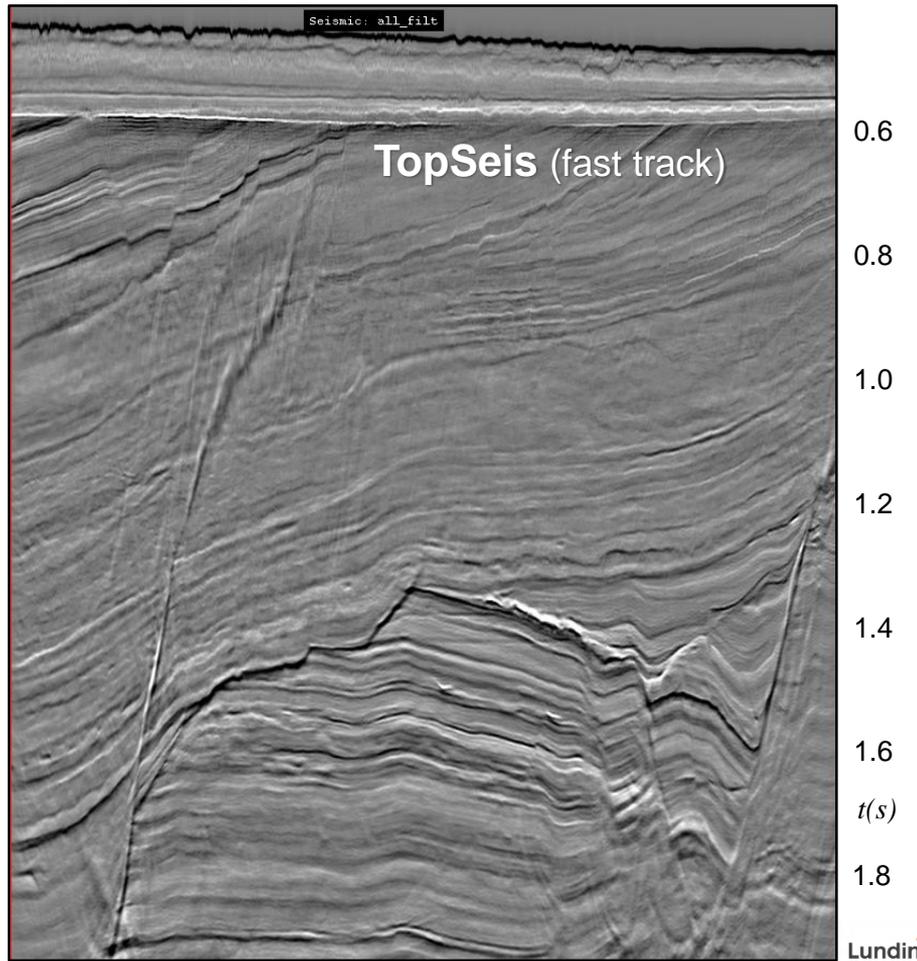
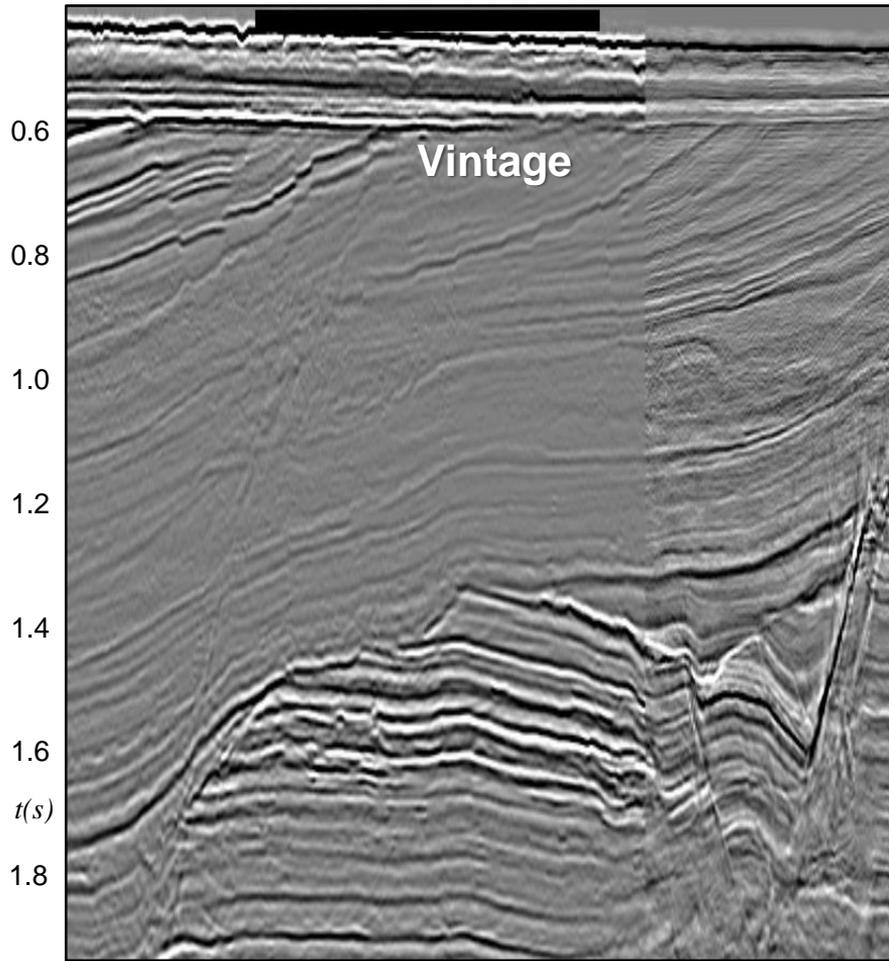
- Aug-Oct** : Loppa High ~1900 km²
- October** : field tests, 2D lines
- October** : Mini-3D on Wisting



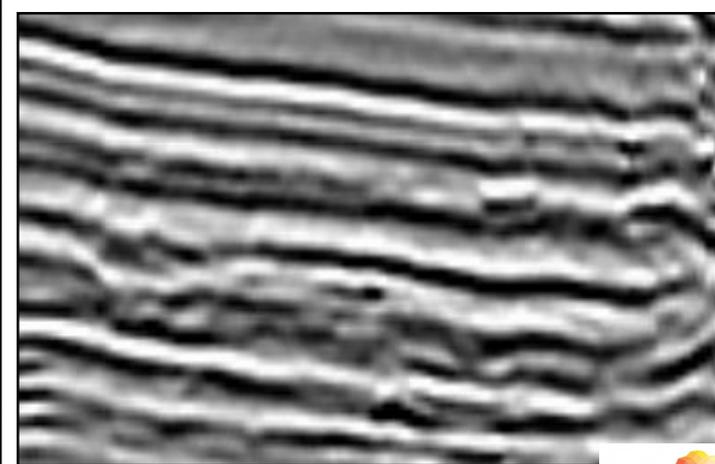
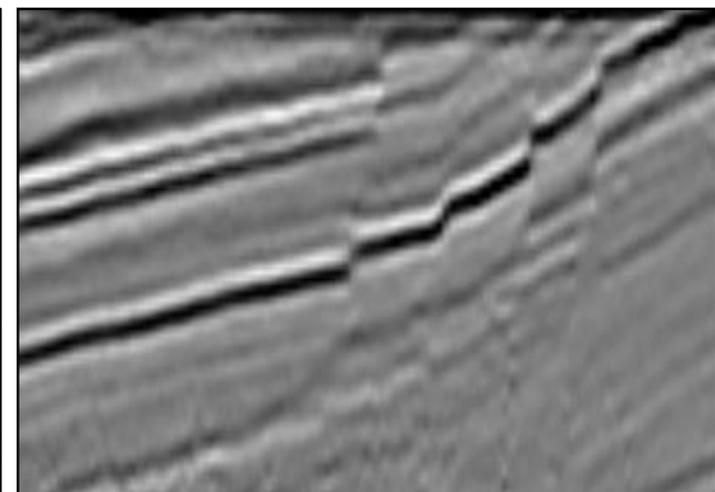
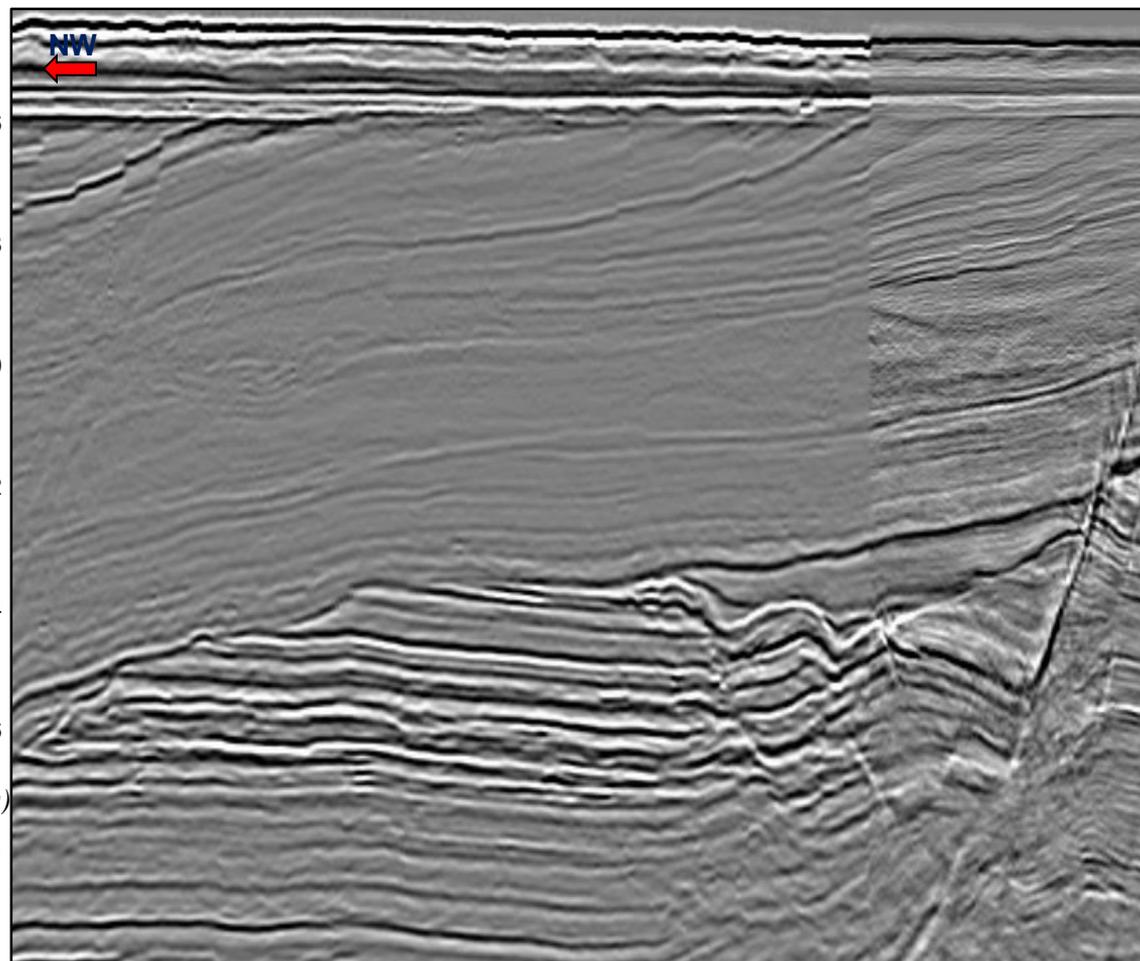




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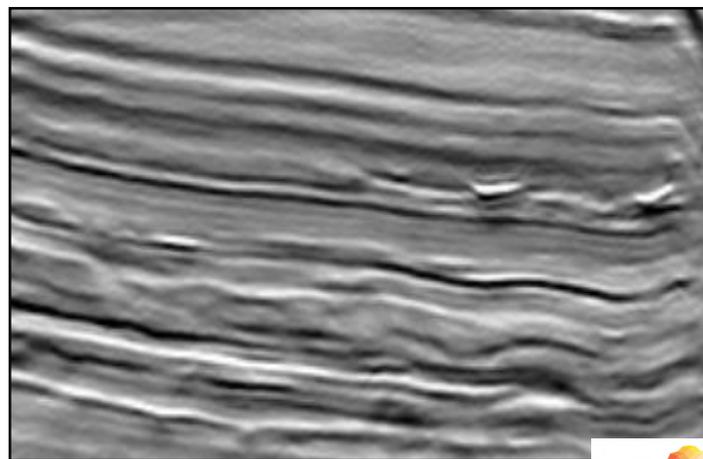
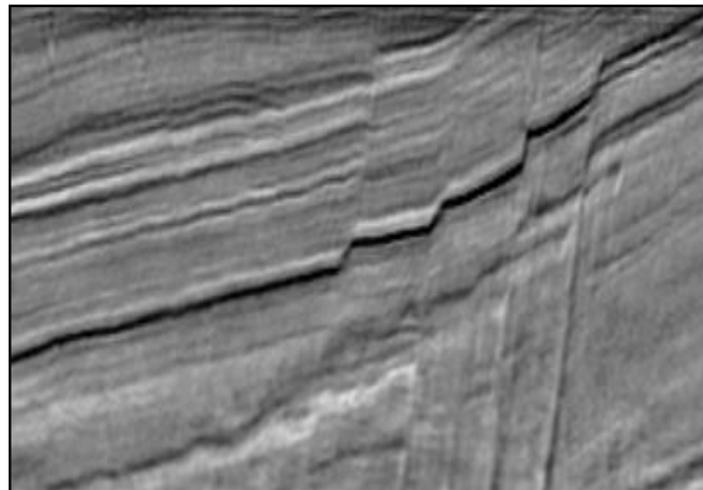
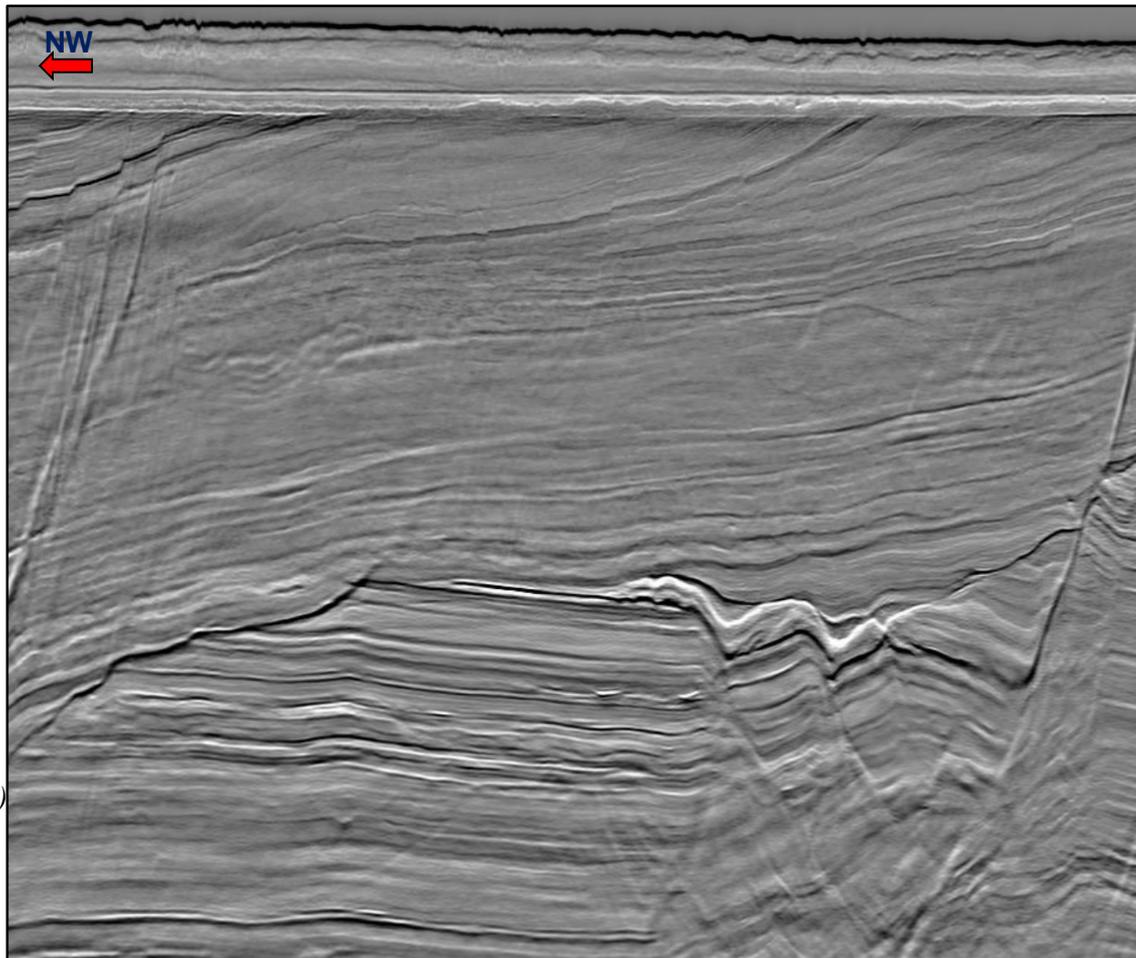
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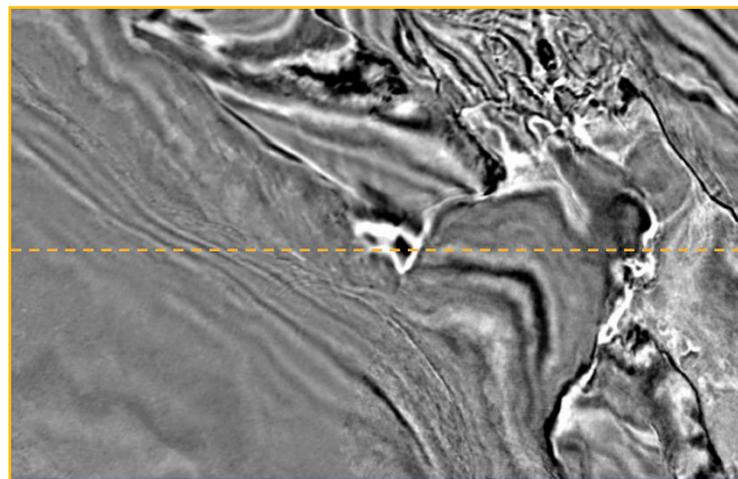
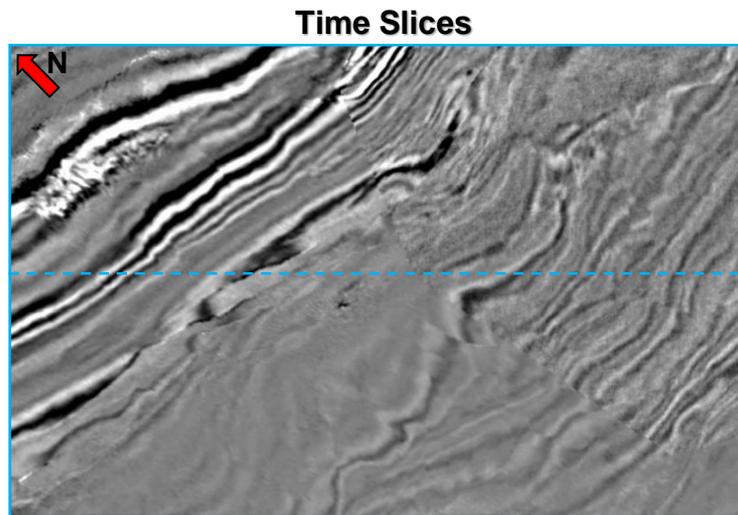
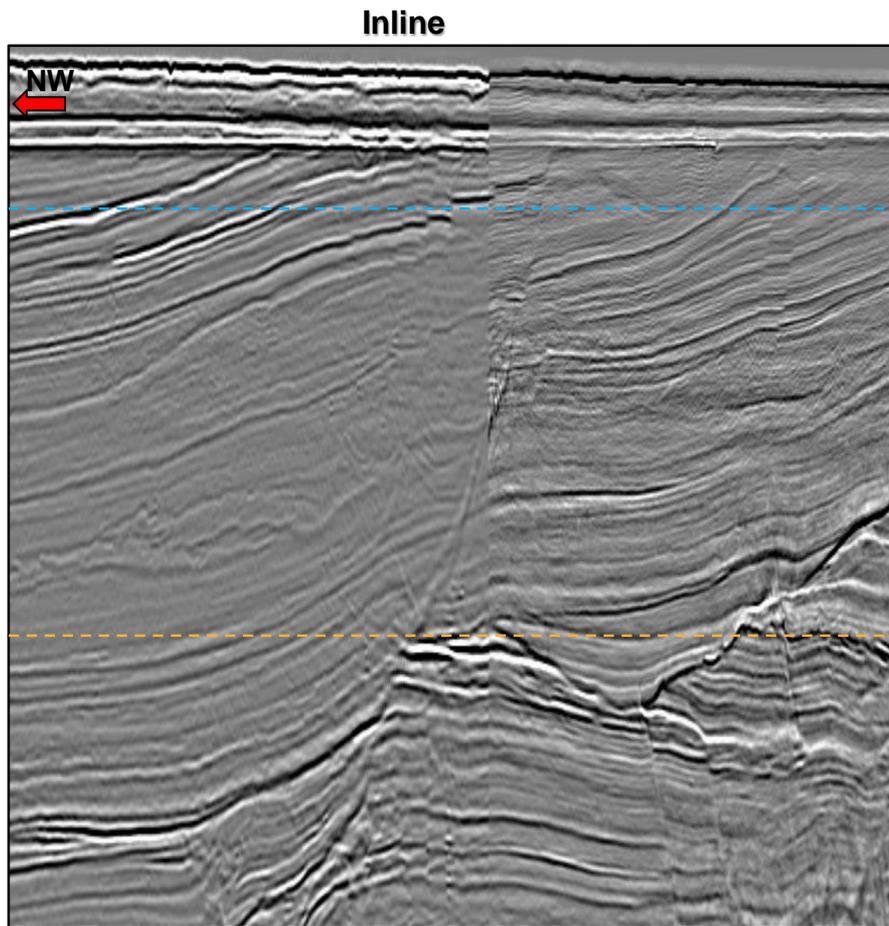




TopSeis (fast track) Inline

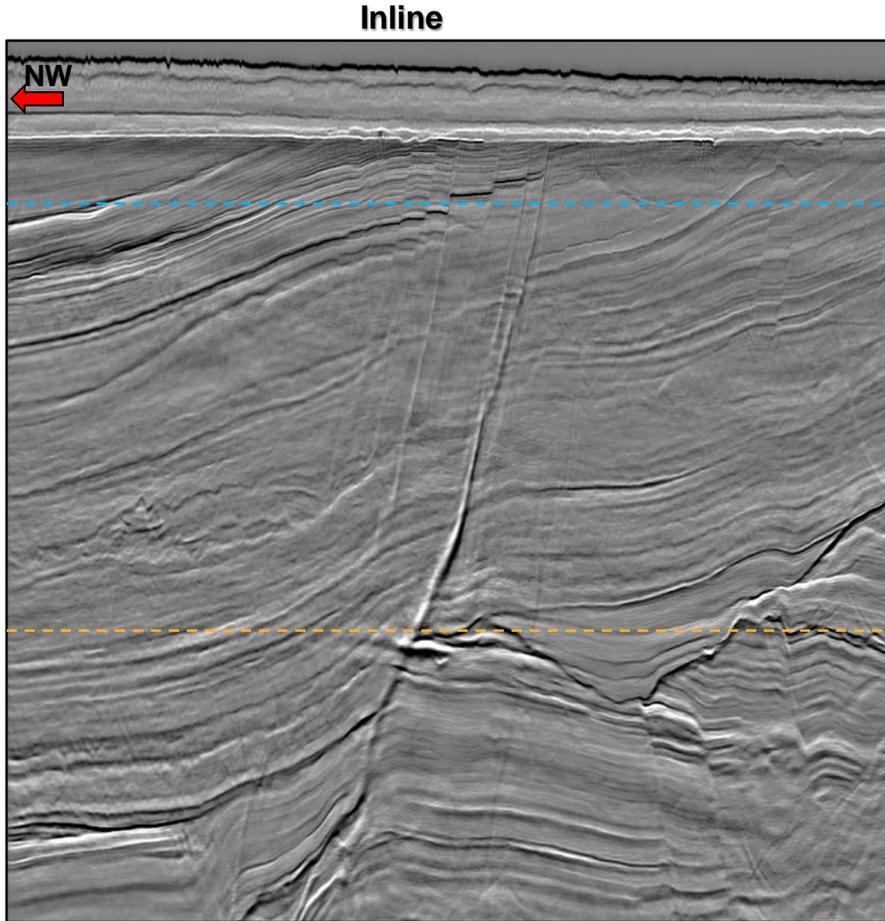
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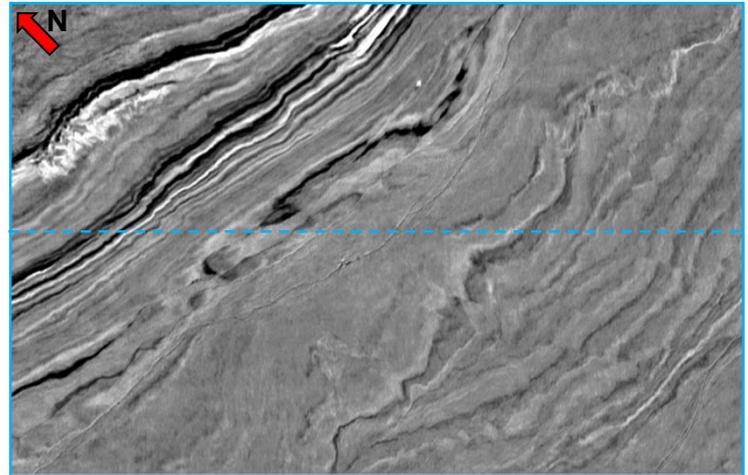




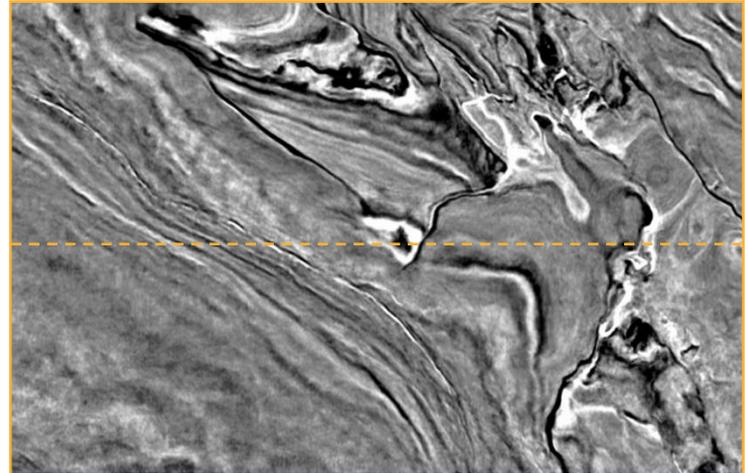
TopSeis (fast track)



Time Slices

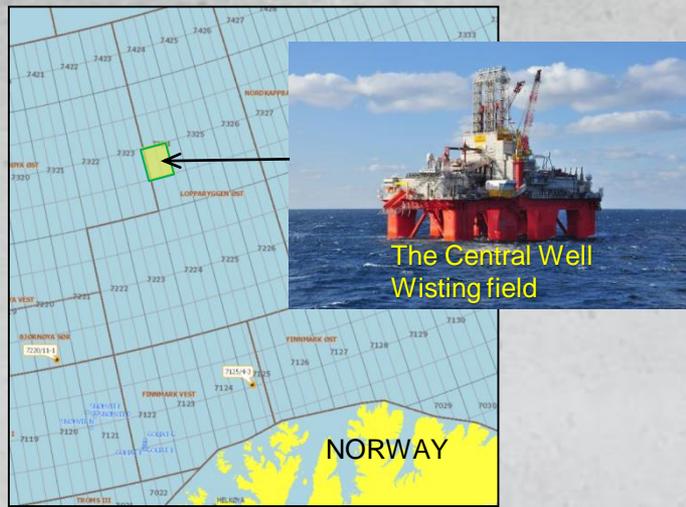


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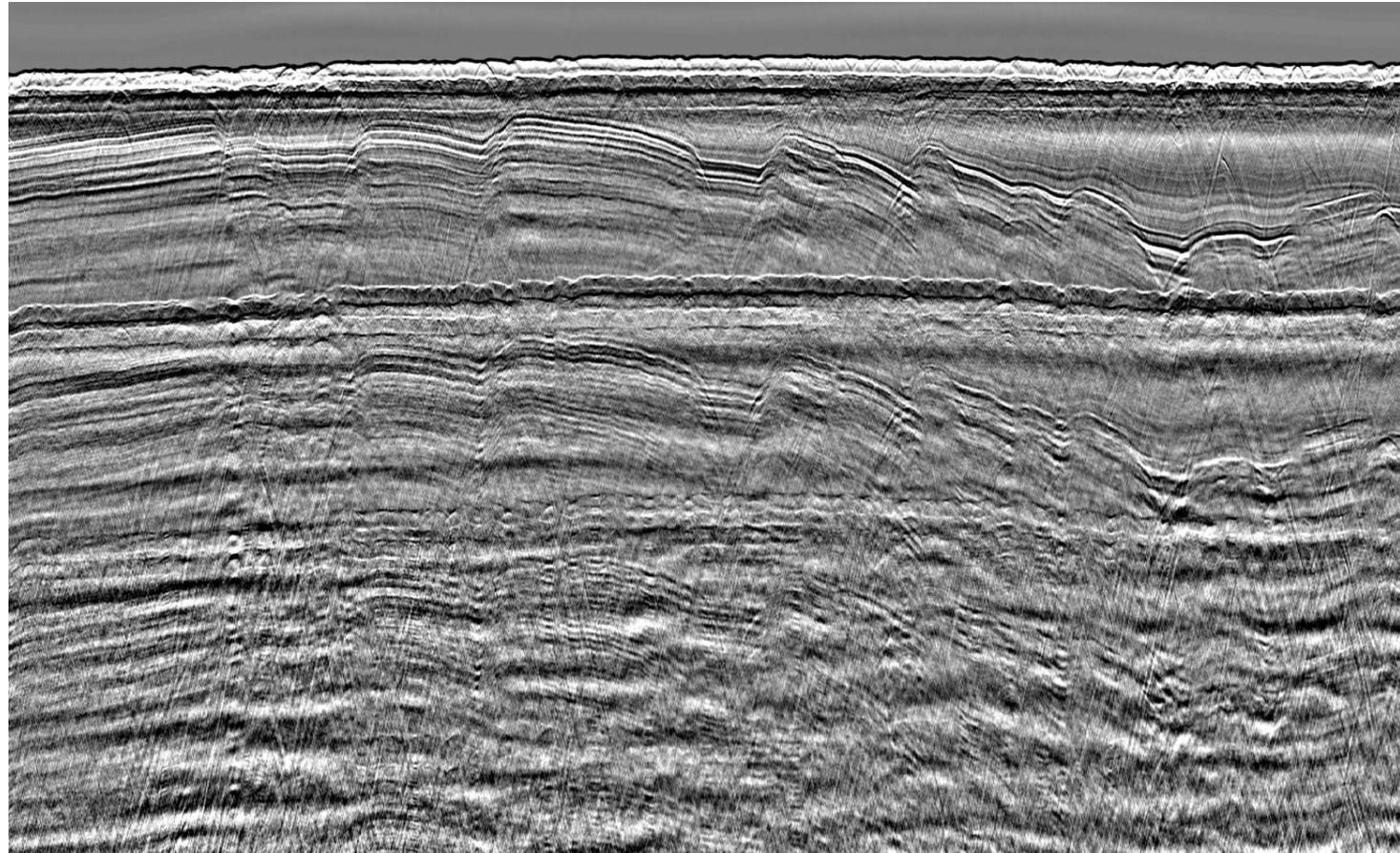
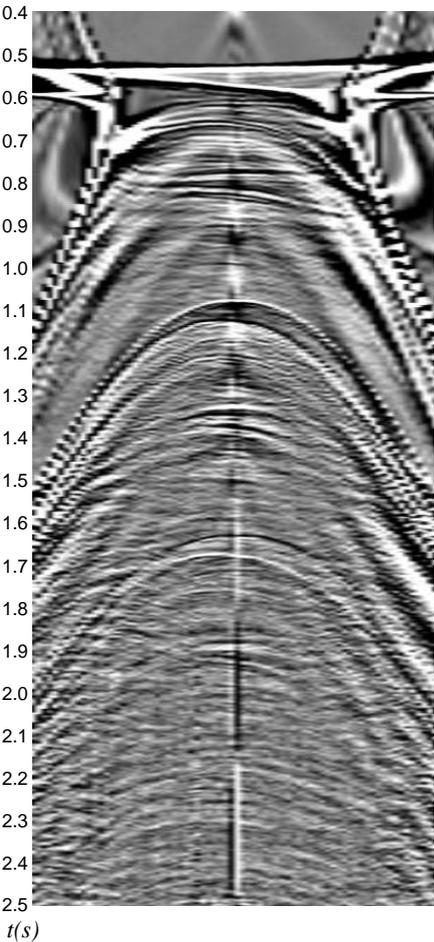


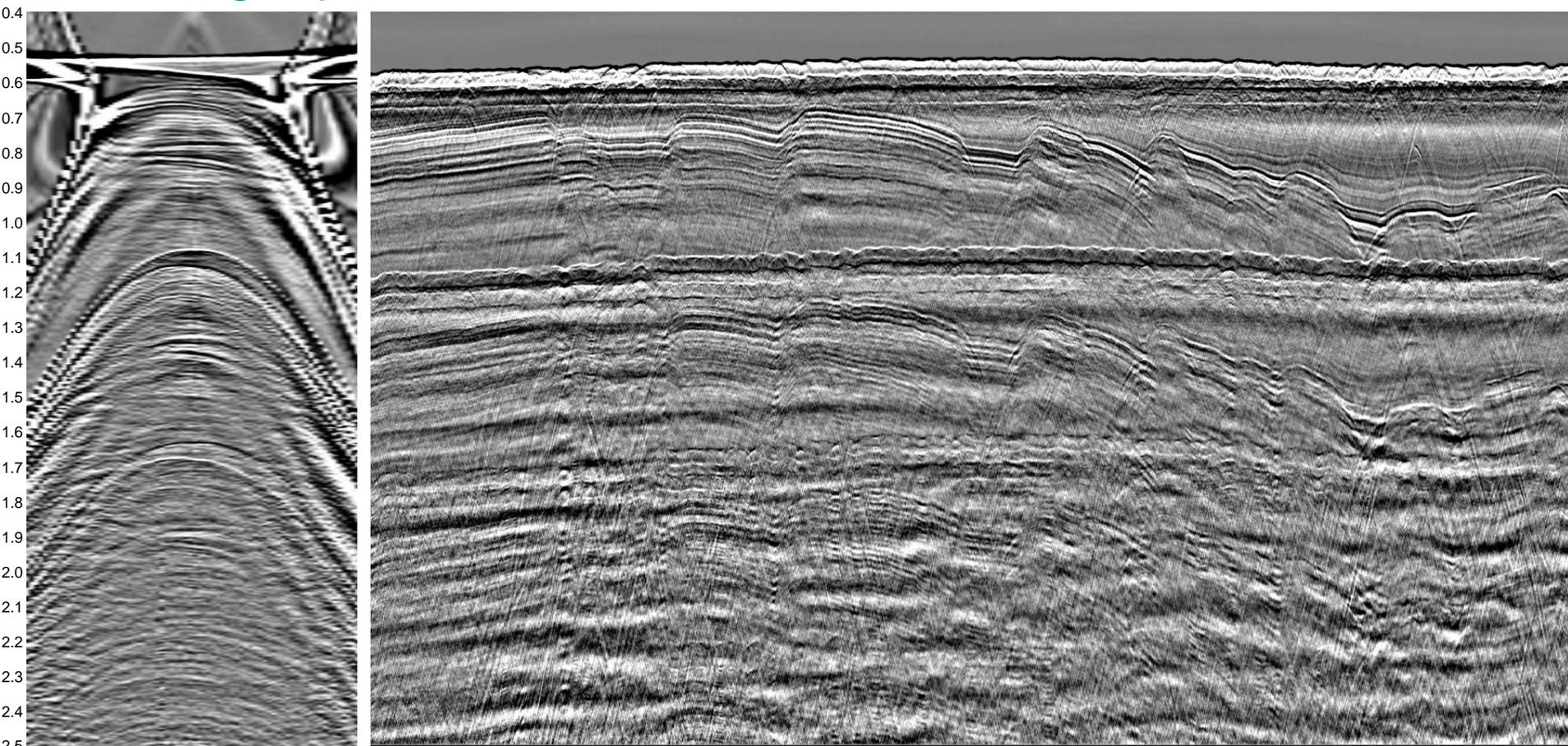
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Wisting 3D TopSeis test October 2017



South Pole, 14th December 1911
Amundsen, Bjaaland, Hanssen, Hassel, Wisting

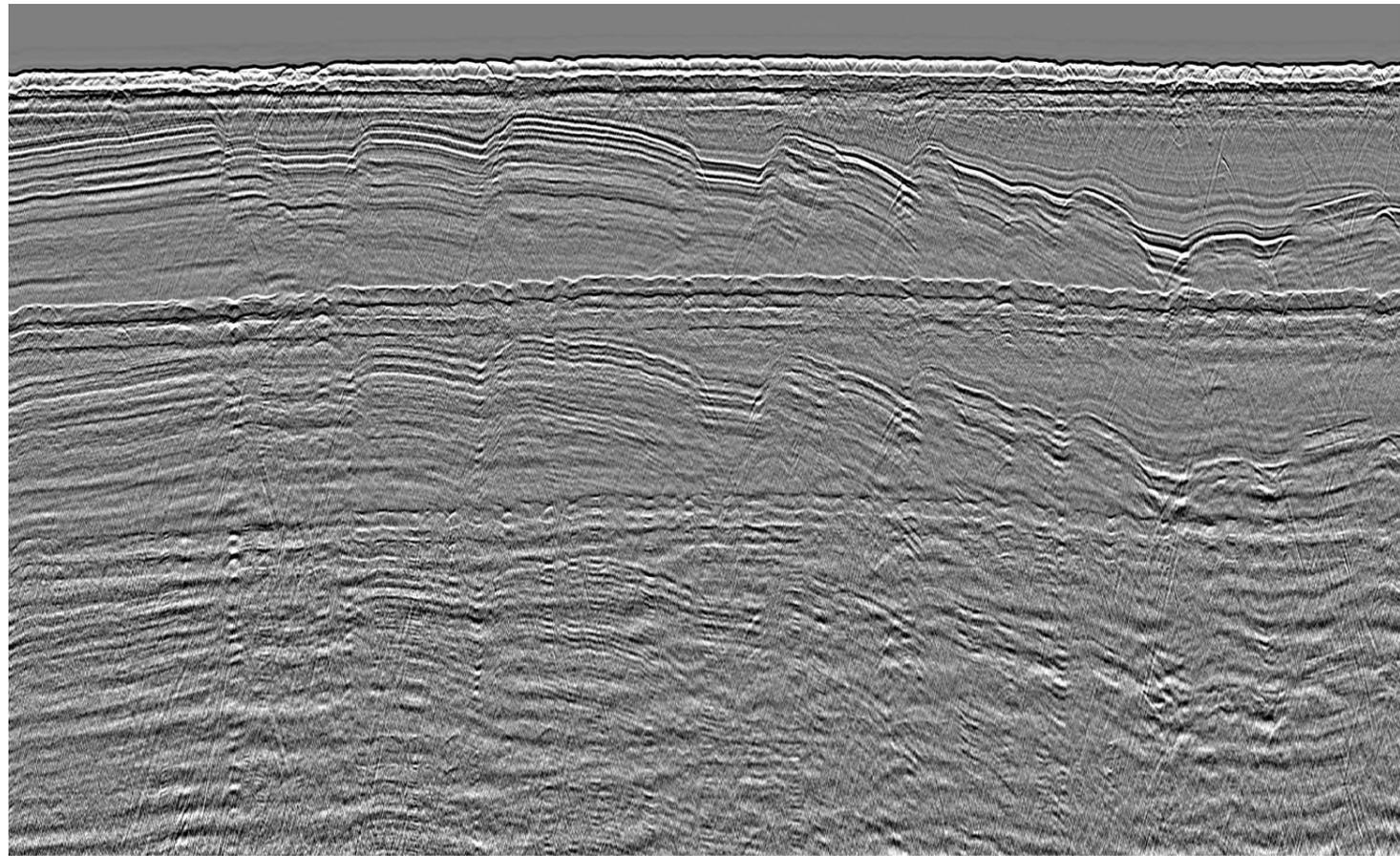
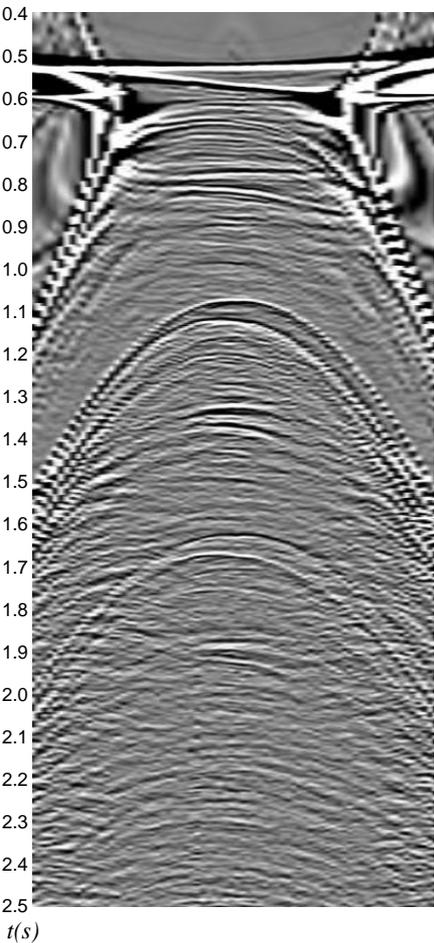


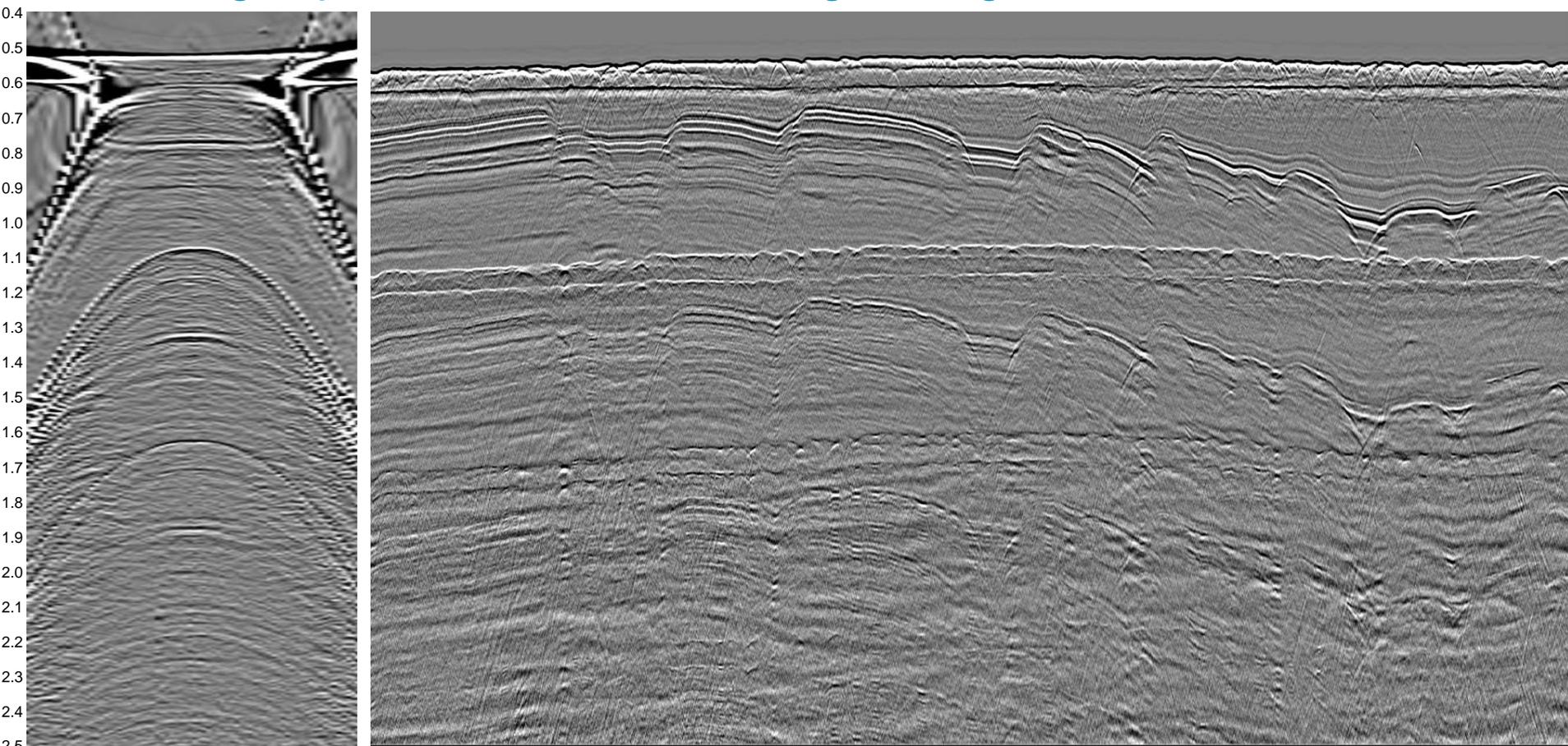


- Adaptive subtraction of direct arrival model from notional source data

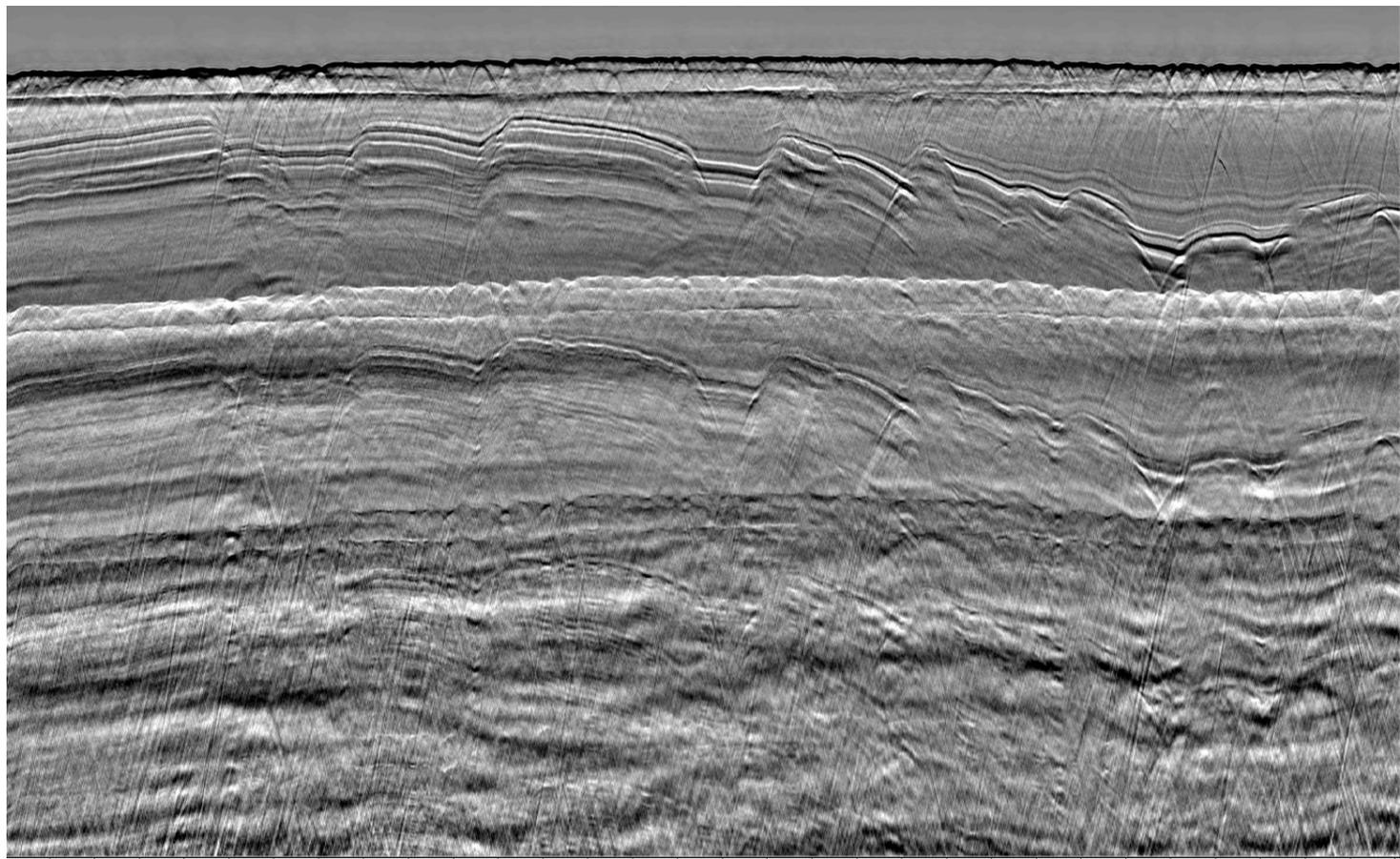
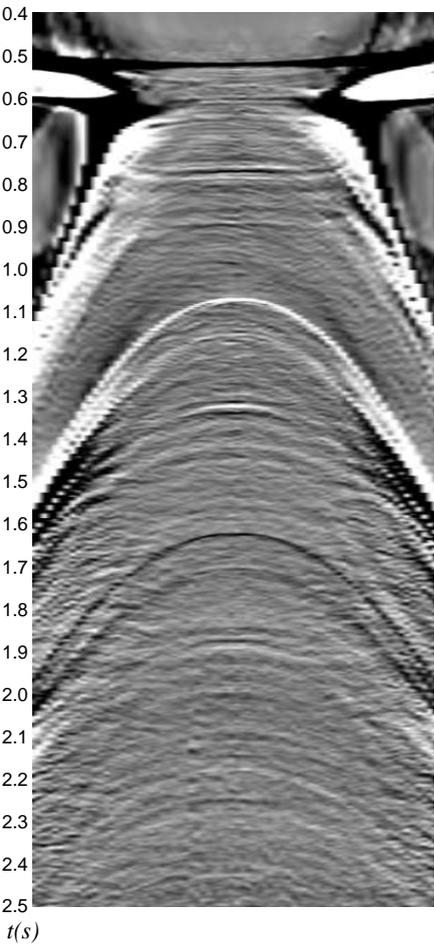


Wisting TopSeis: After source debubble and zero-phase

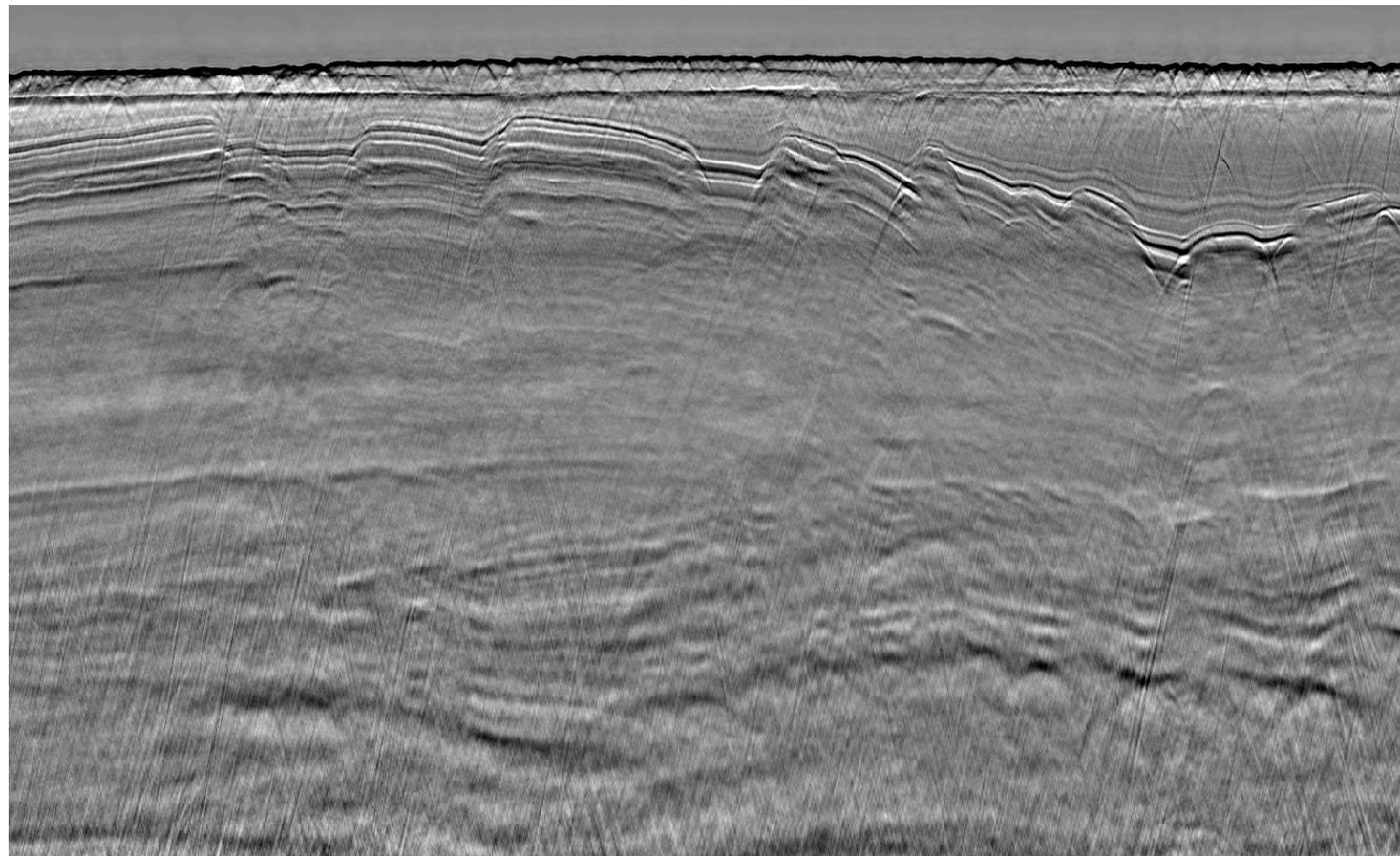
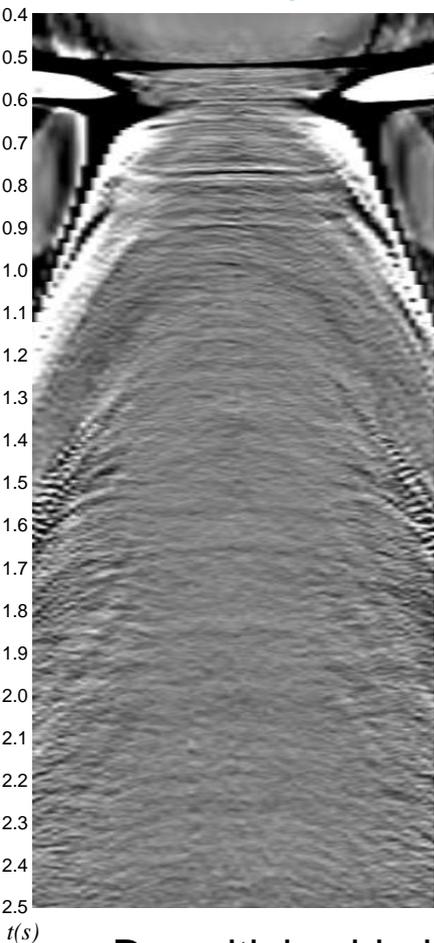




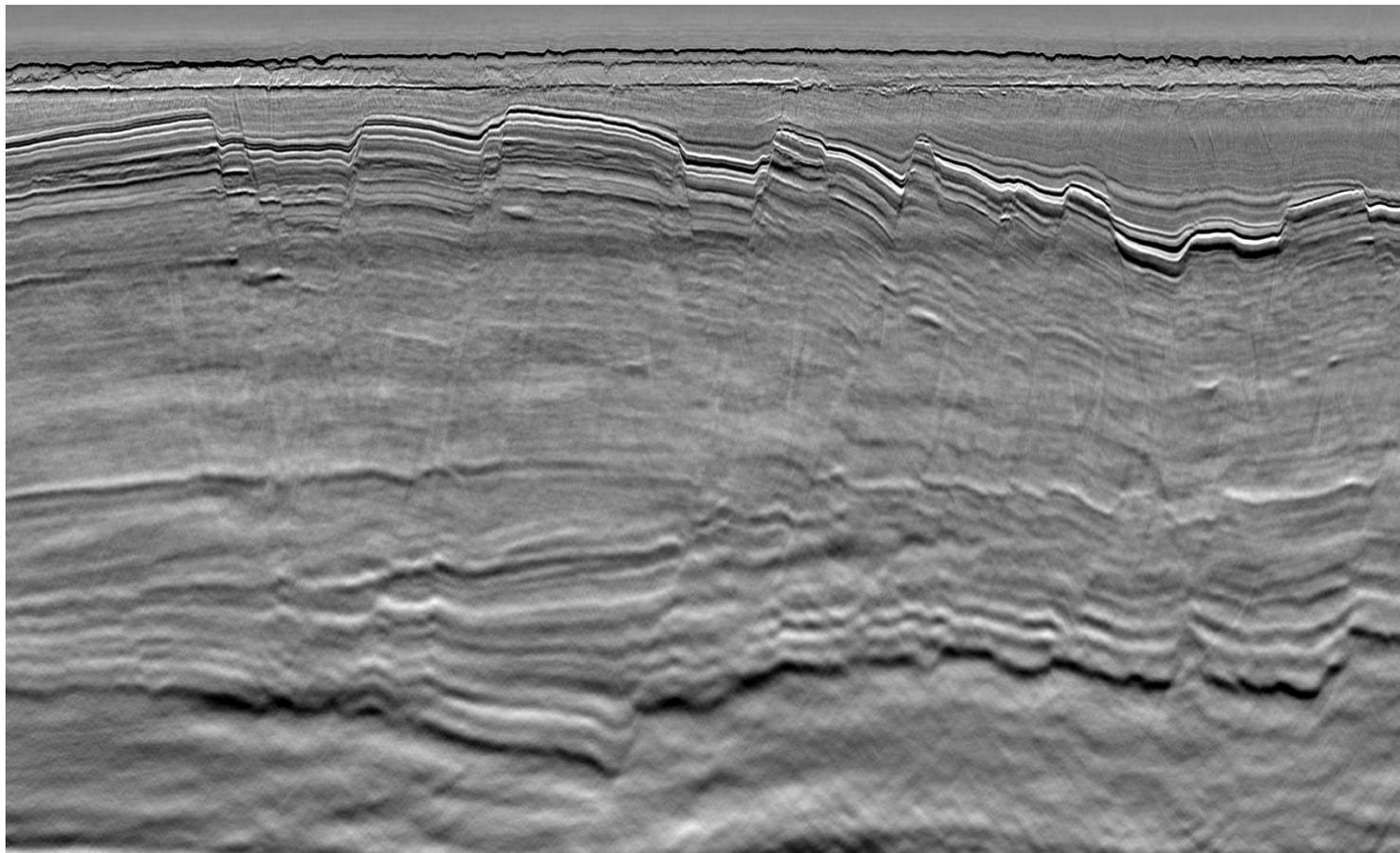
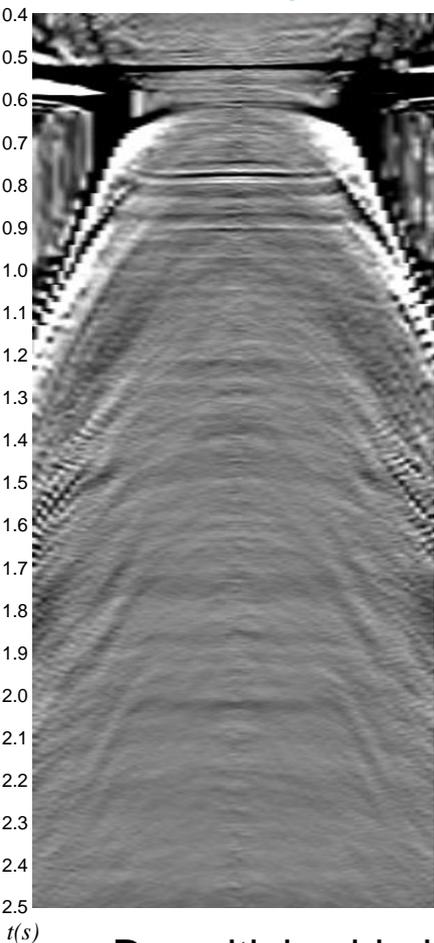
- Tilted hyperbolic deghosting; developed to respect highly non-linear kinematics at short offsets



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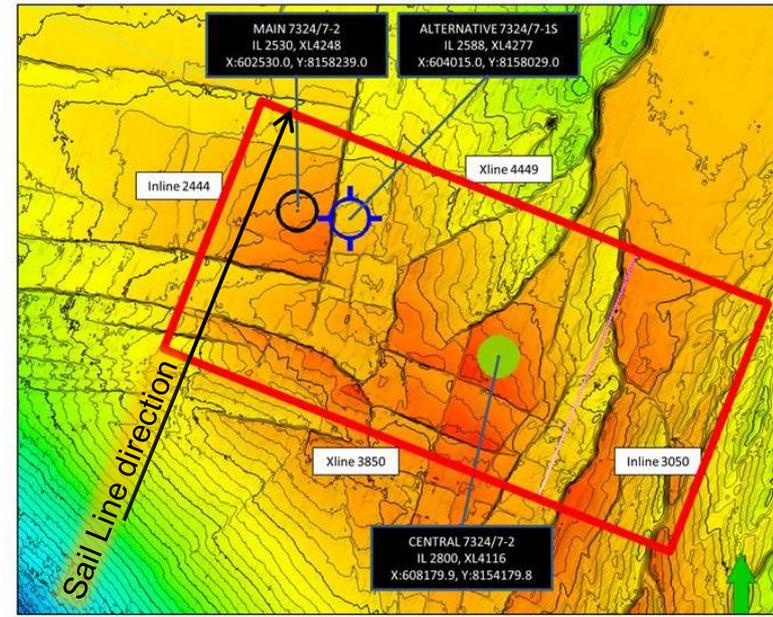
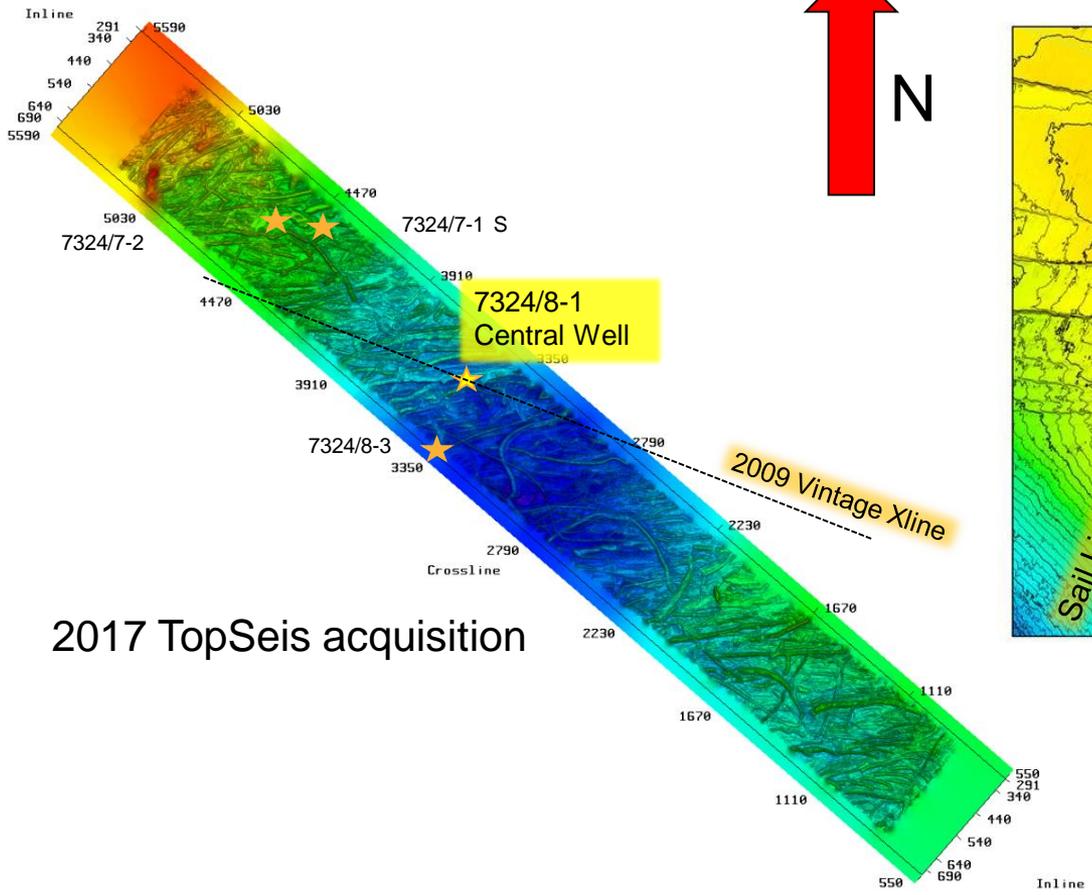
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TopSeis 2017 vs Vintage 2009 acquisition



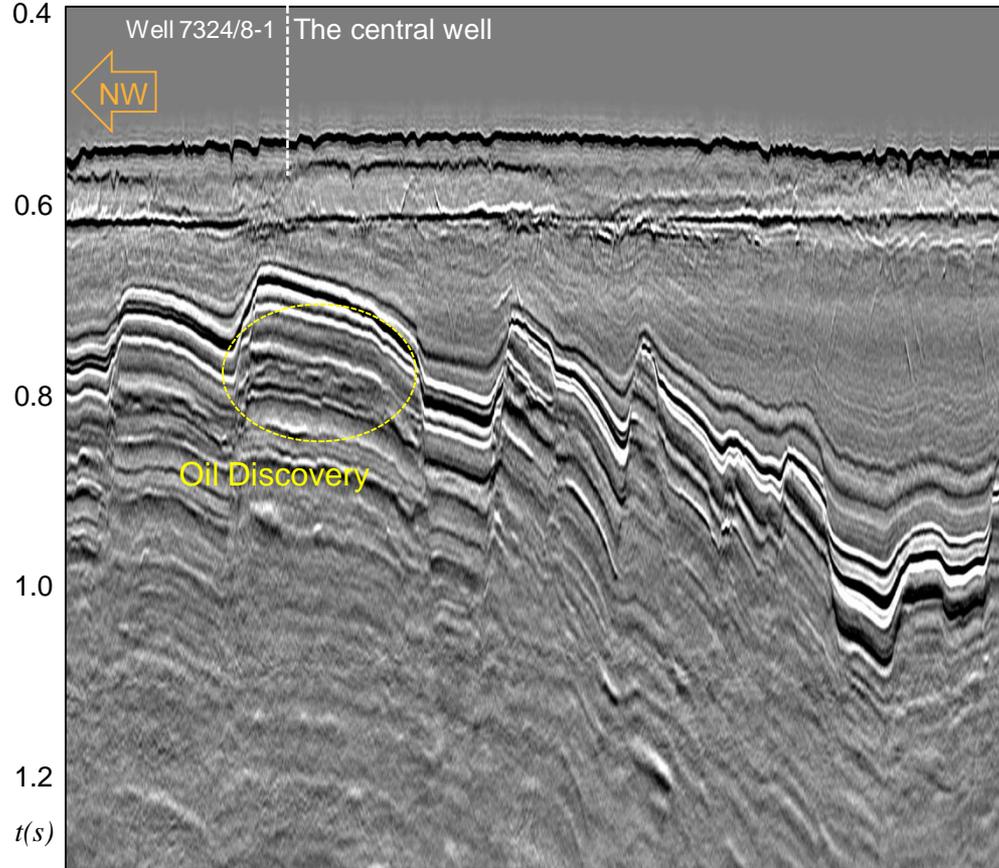
2017 TopSeis acquisition

2009 Vintage acquisition

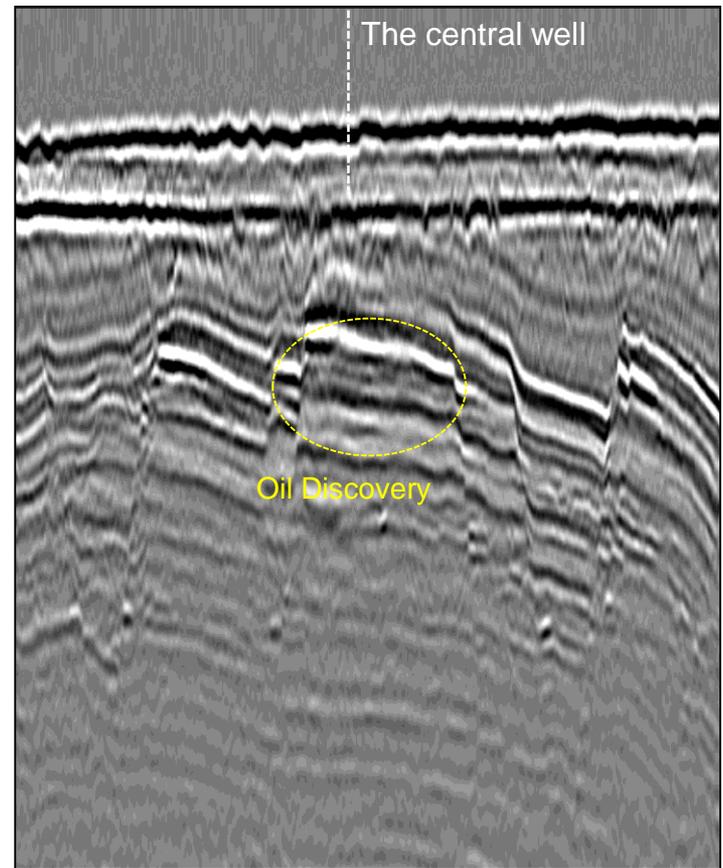


TopSeis vs Vintage through Central Well - @@

TopSeis 2017 – preliminary image (Inline)

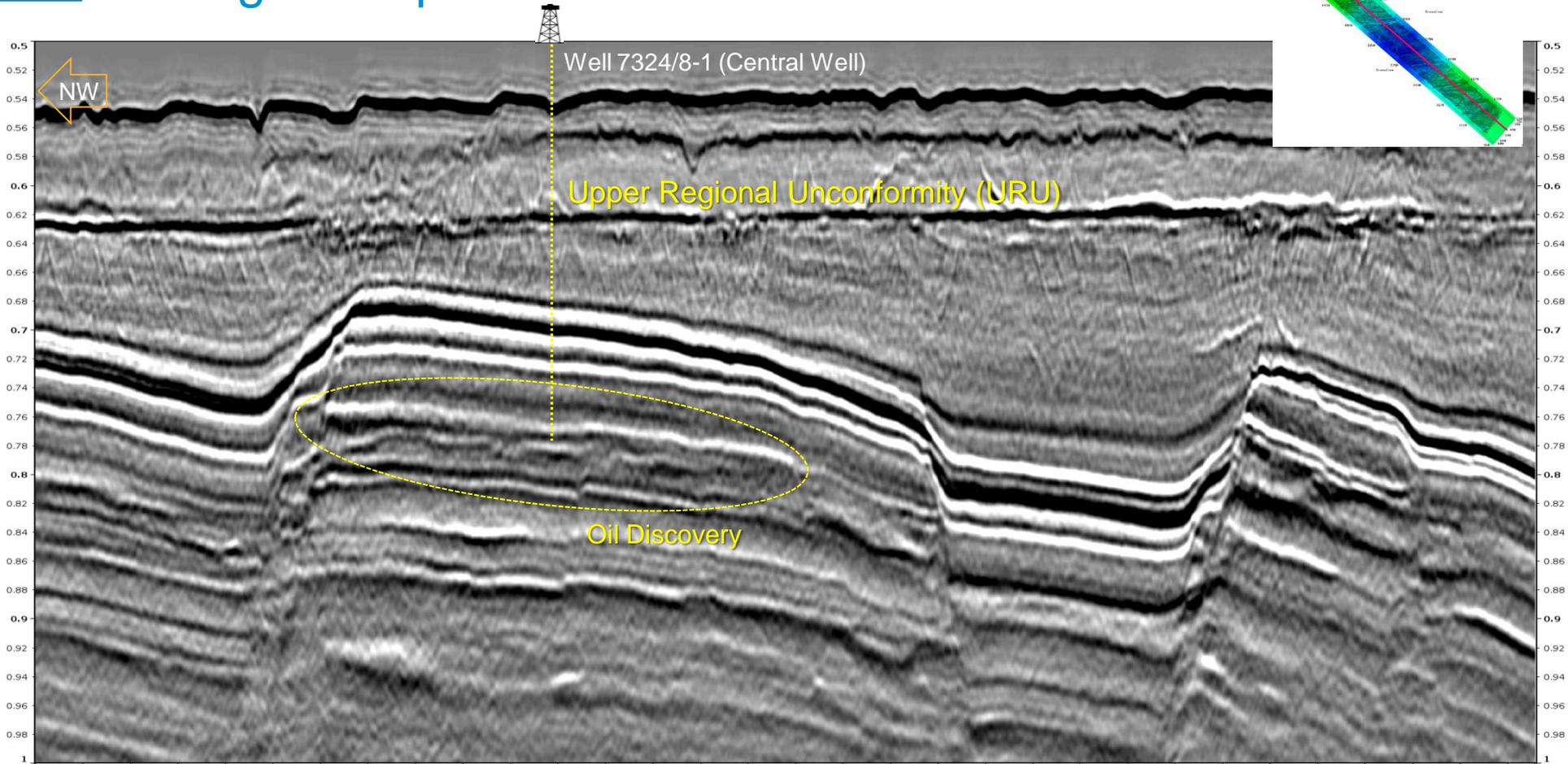


Vintage 2009 (Xline)



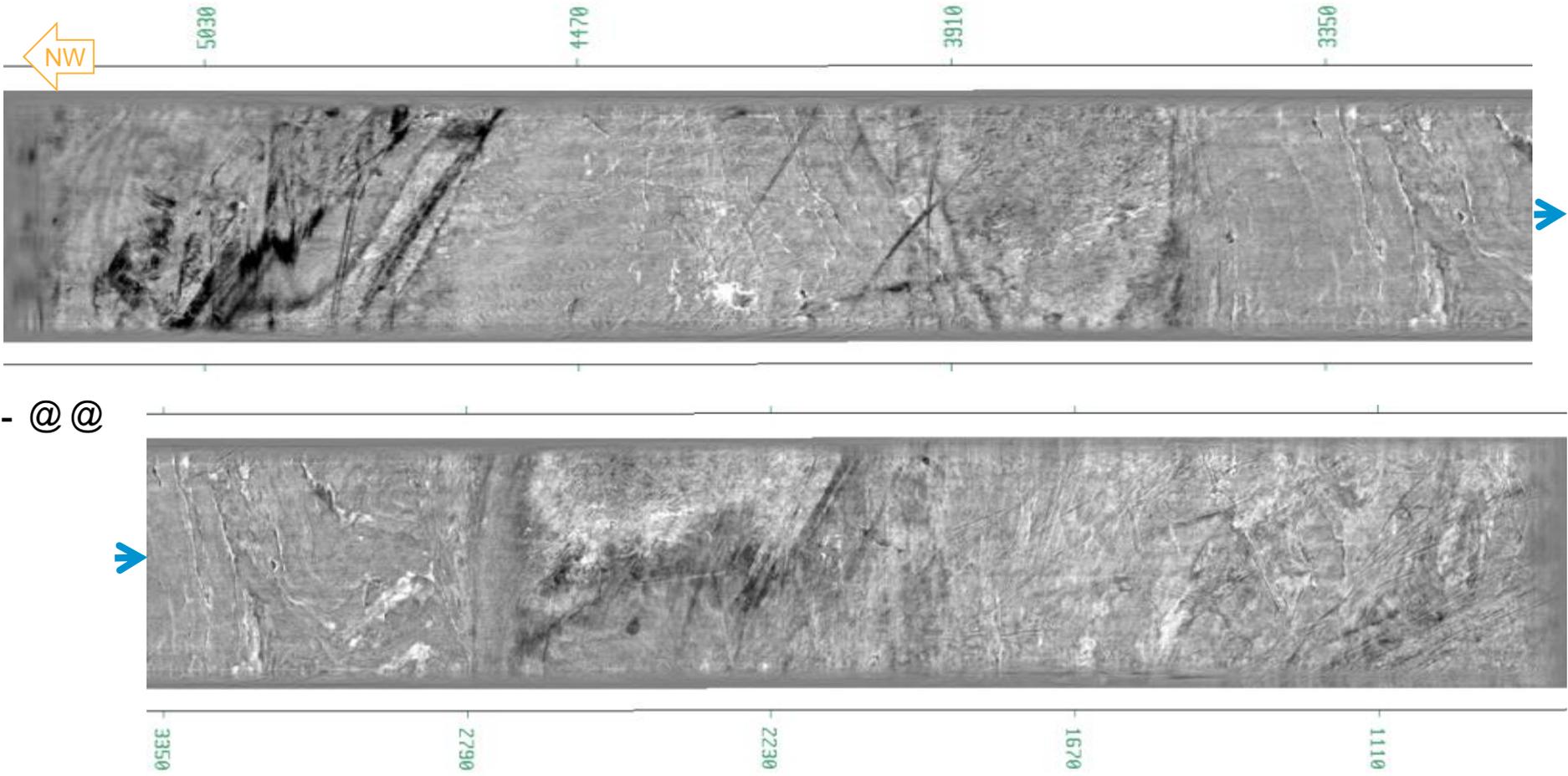
NOTE: The two data sets have been acquired in different directions

Wisting 3D TopSeis IL475 – ZOOM - @@

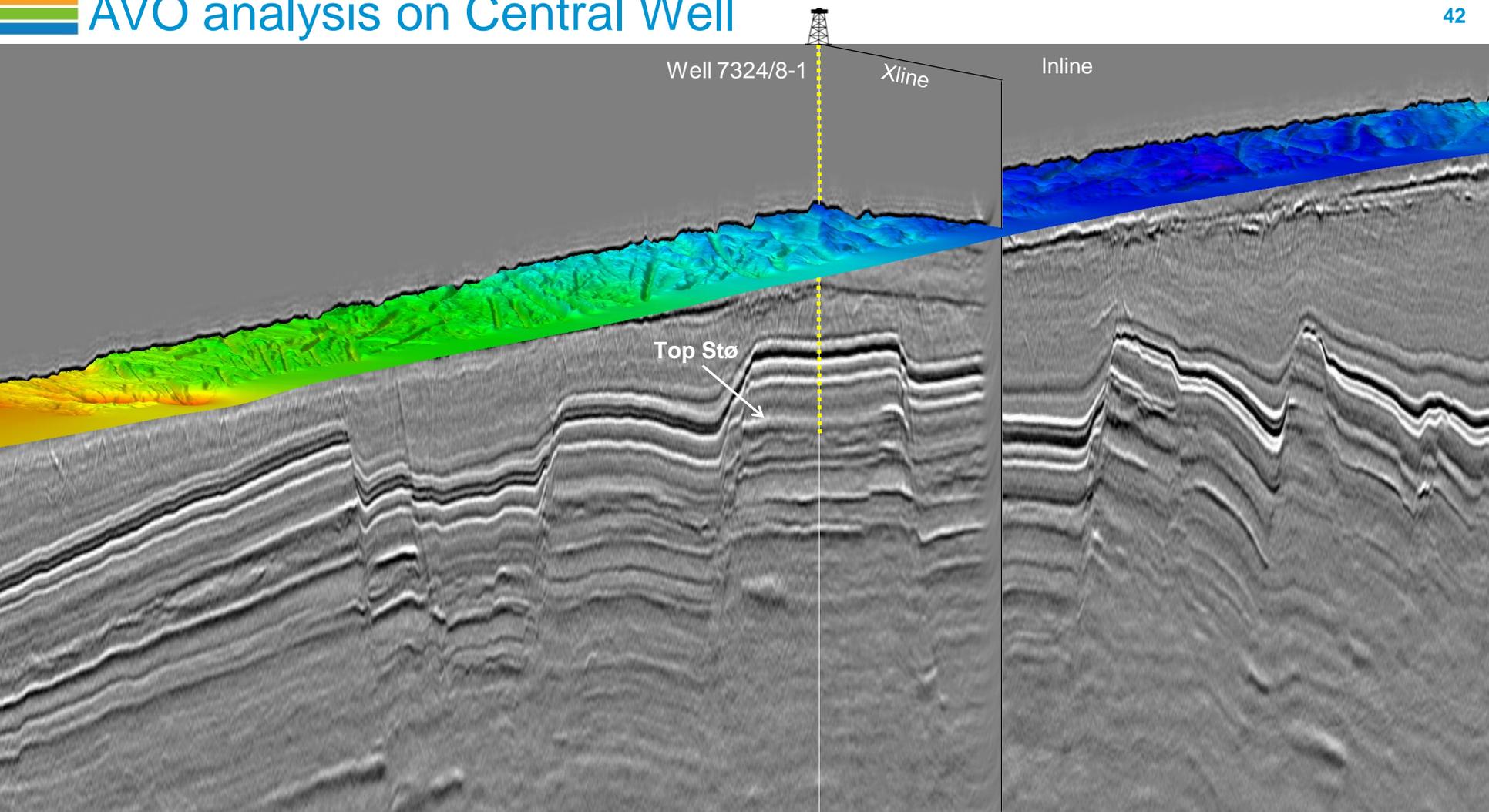




Wisting 3D TopSeis time slice at 600ms (above URU)

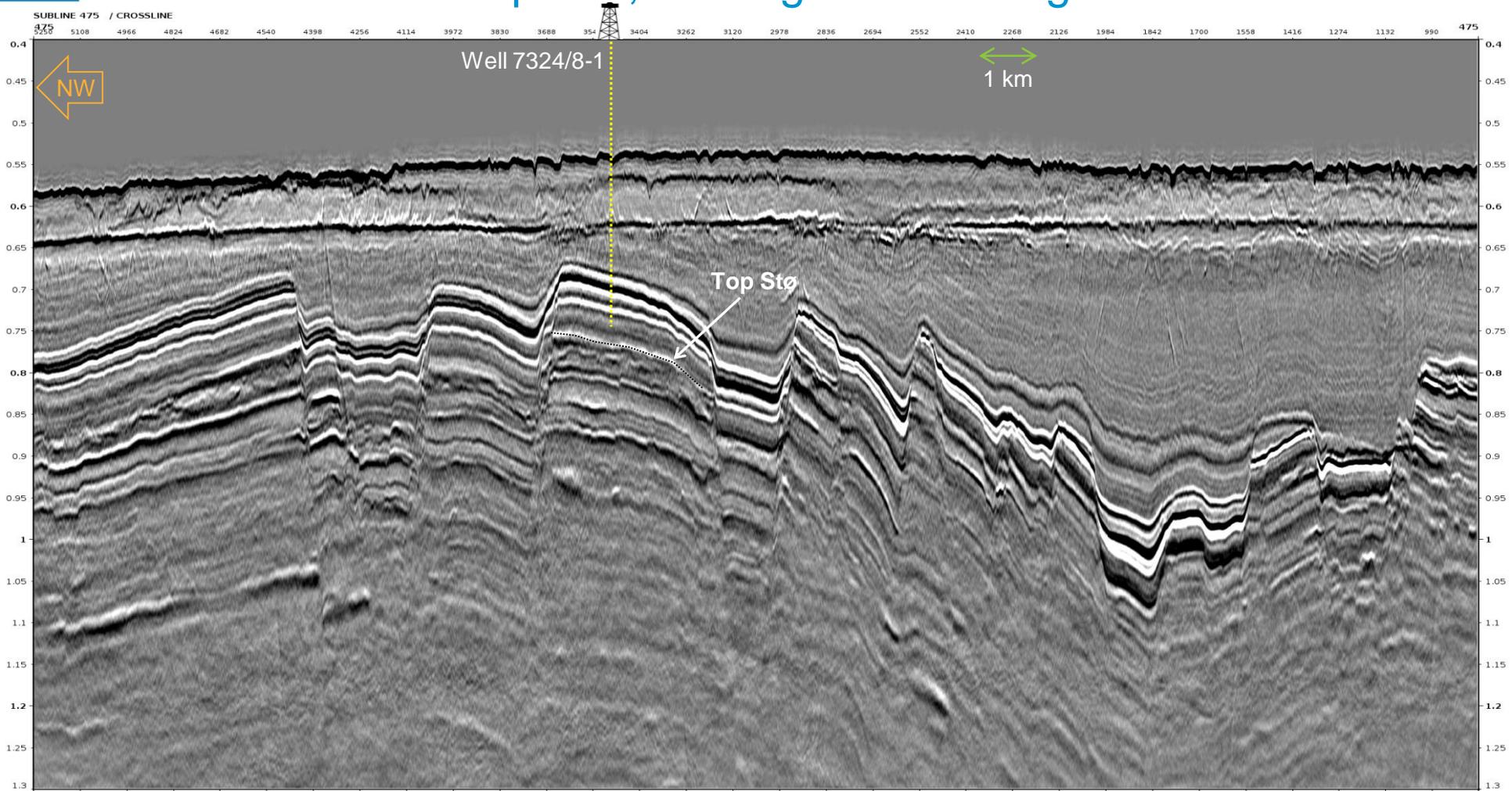


AVO analysis on Central Well



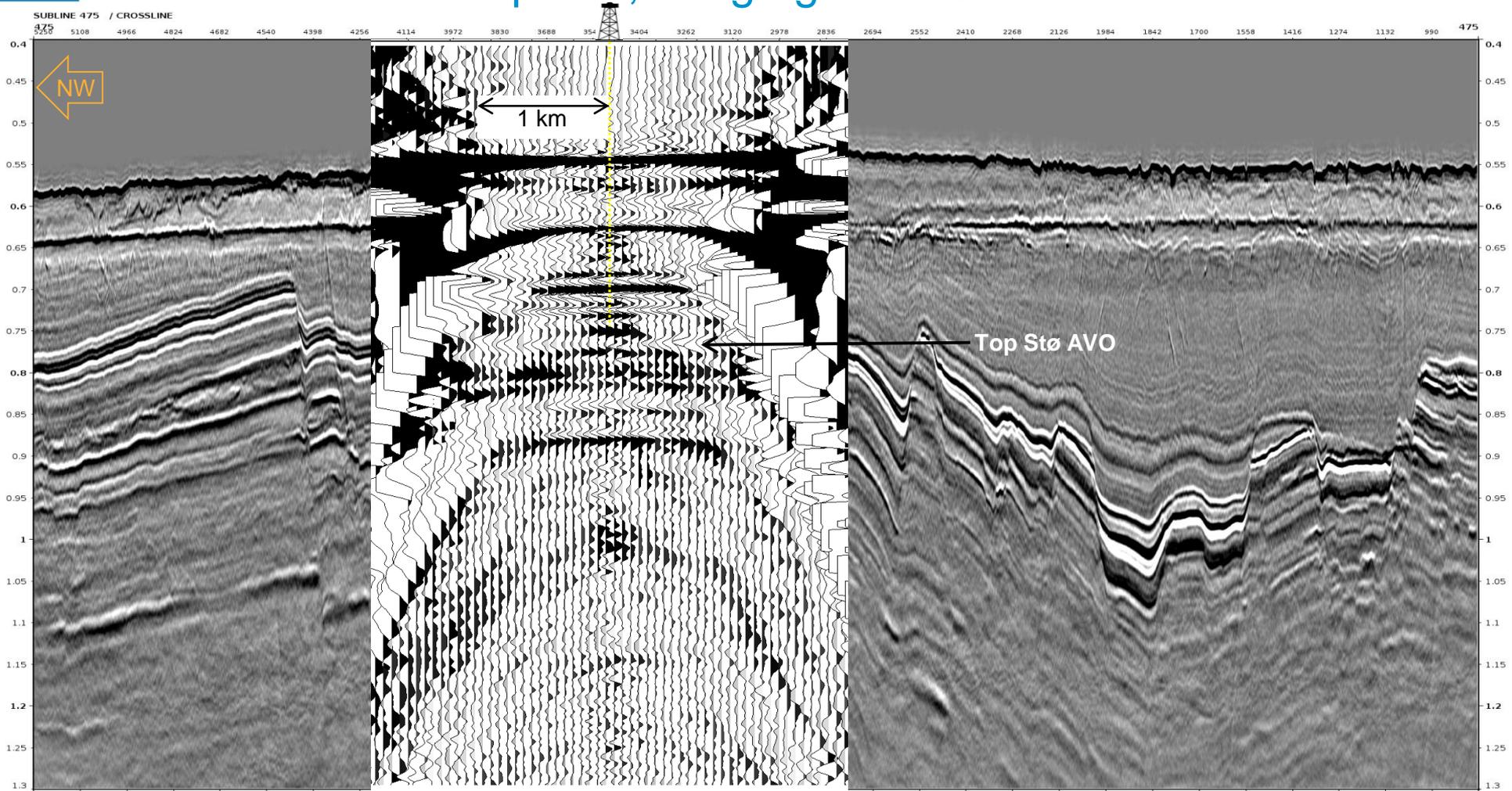


Shallow AVO with TopSeis; Wisting Inline through central well



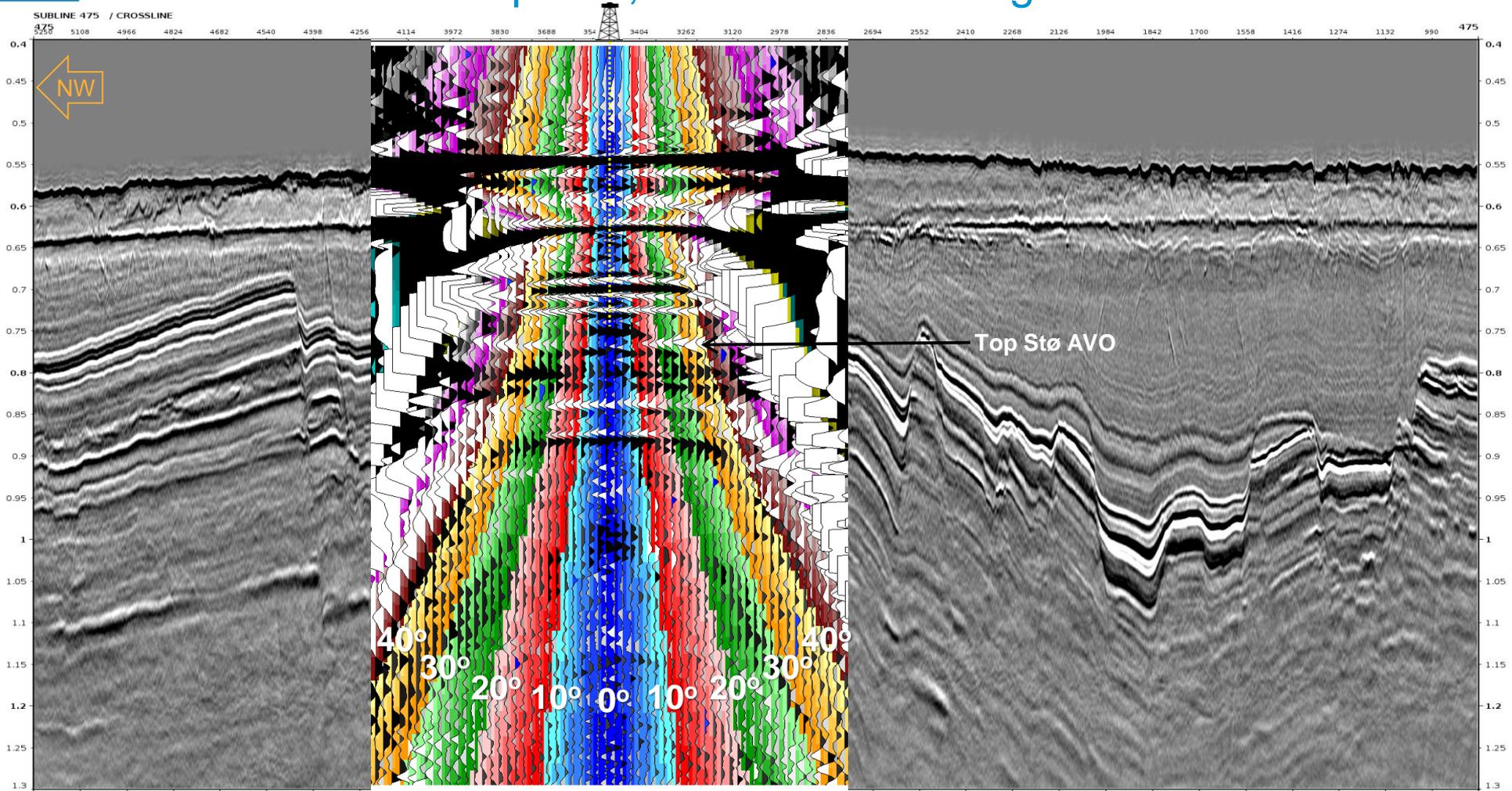


Shallow AVO with TopSeis; Image gather @ Central Well

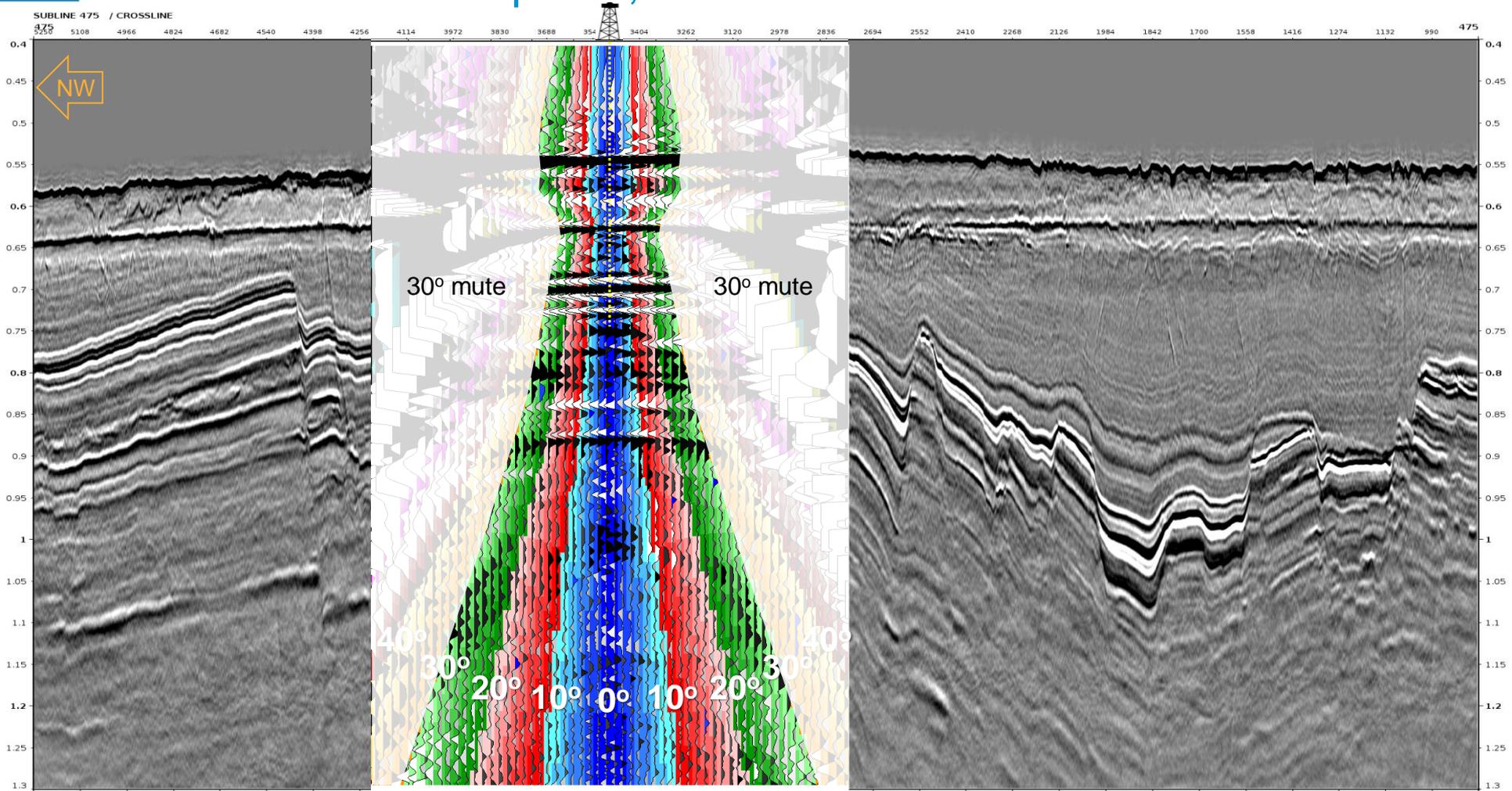




Shallow AVO with TopSeis; With reflection angle

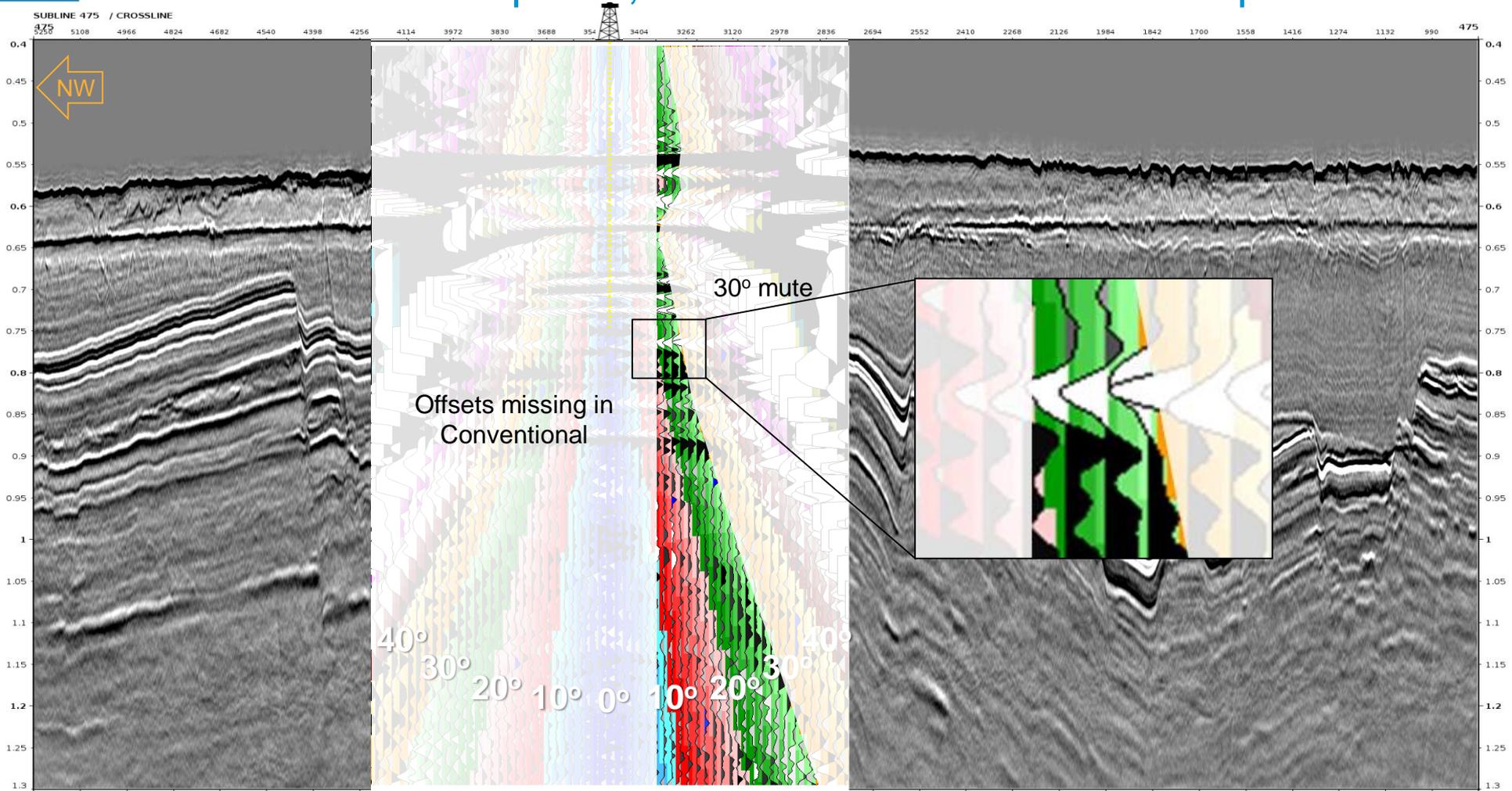


Shallow AVO with TopSeis; Stack mute



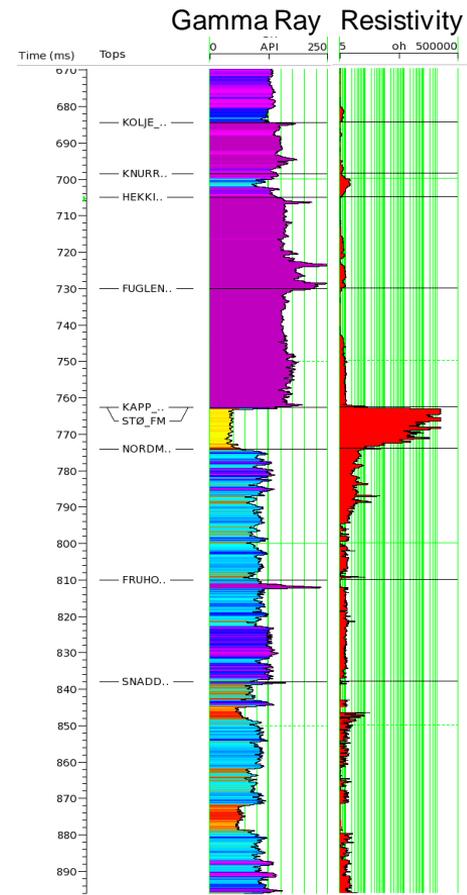
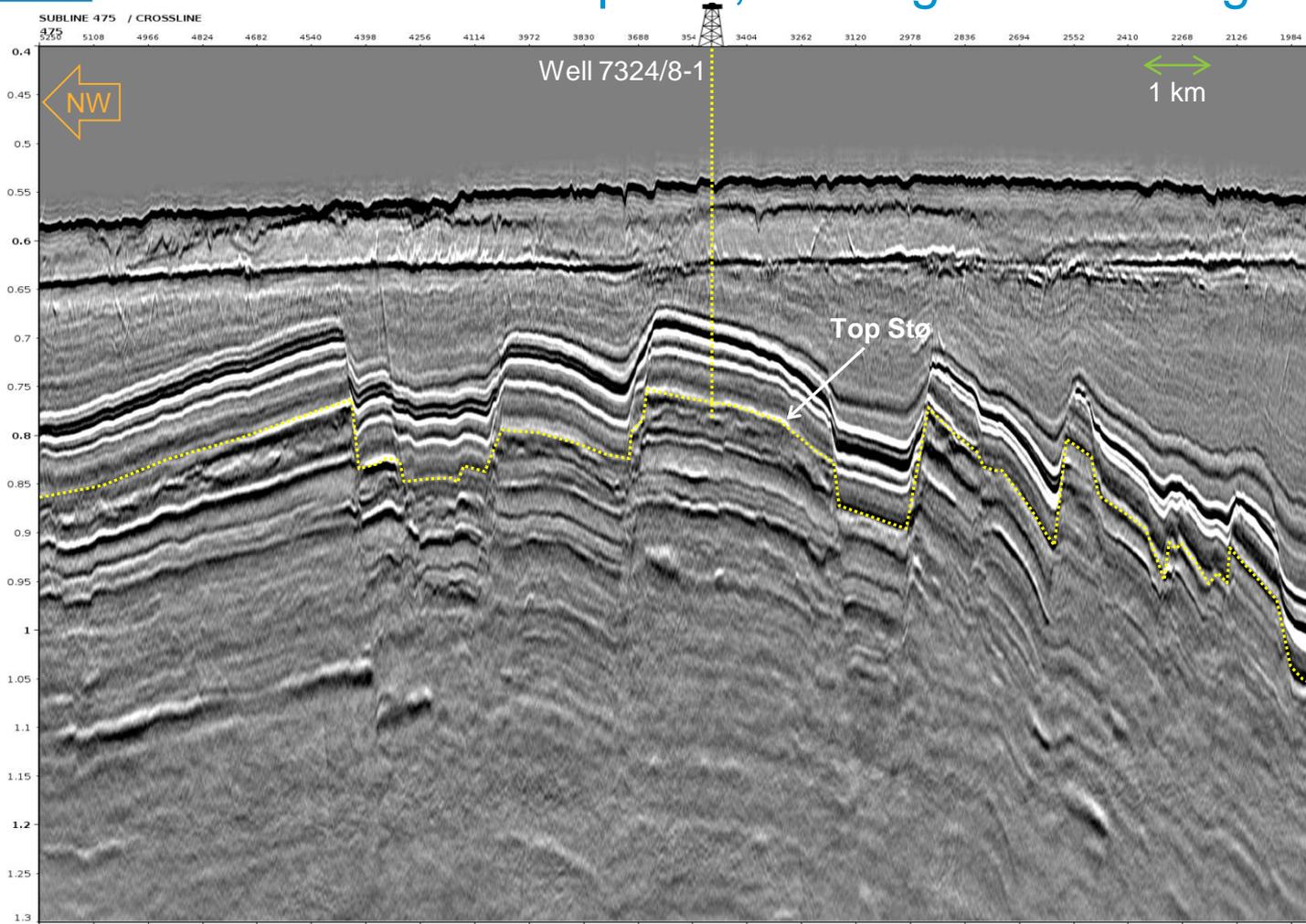


Shallow AVO with TopSeis; Conventional offsets for comparison



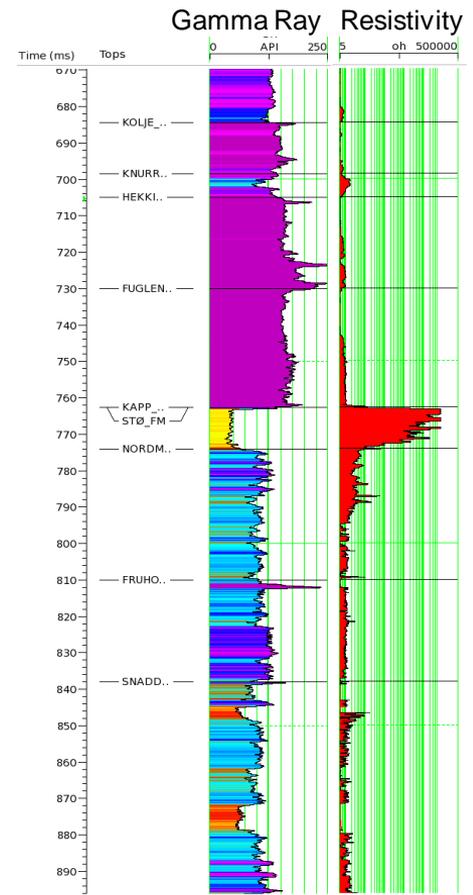
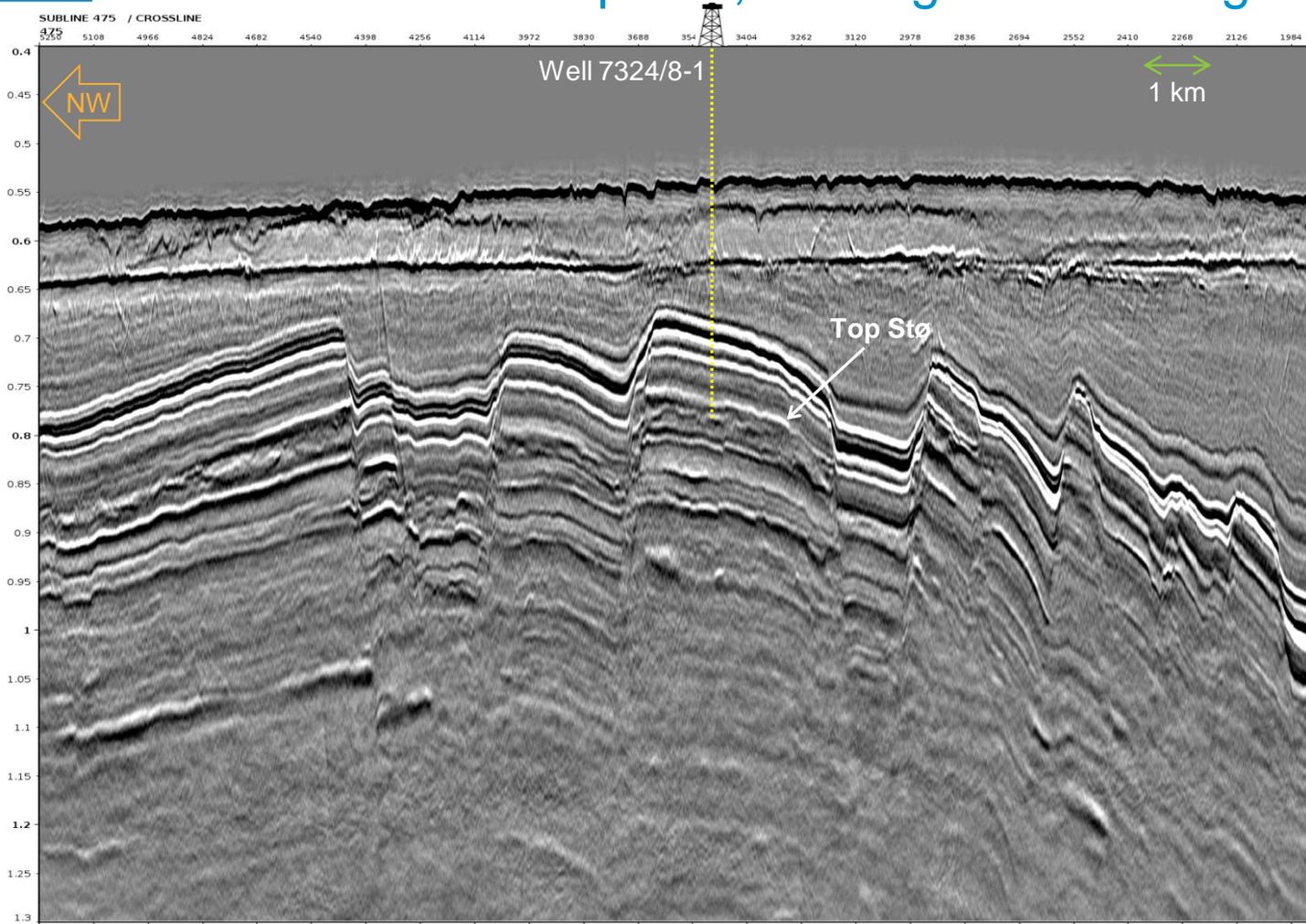


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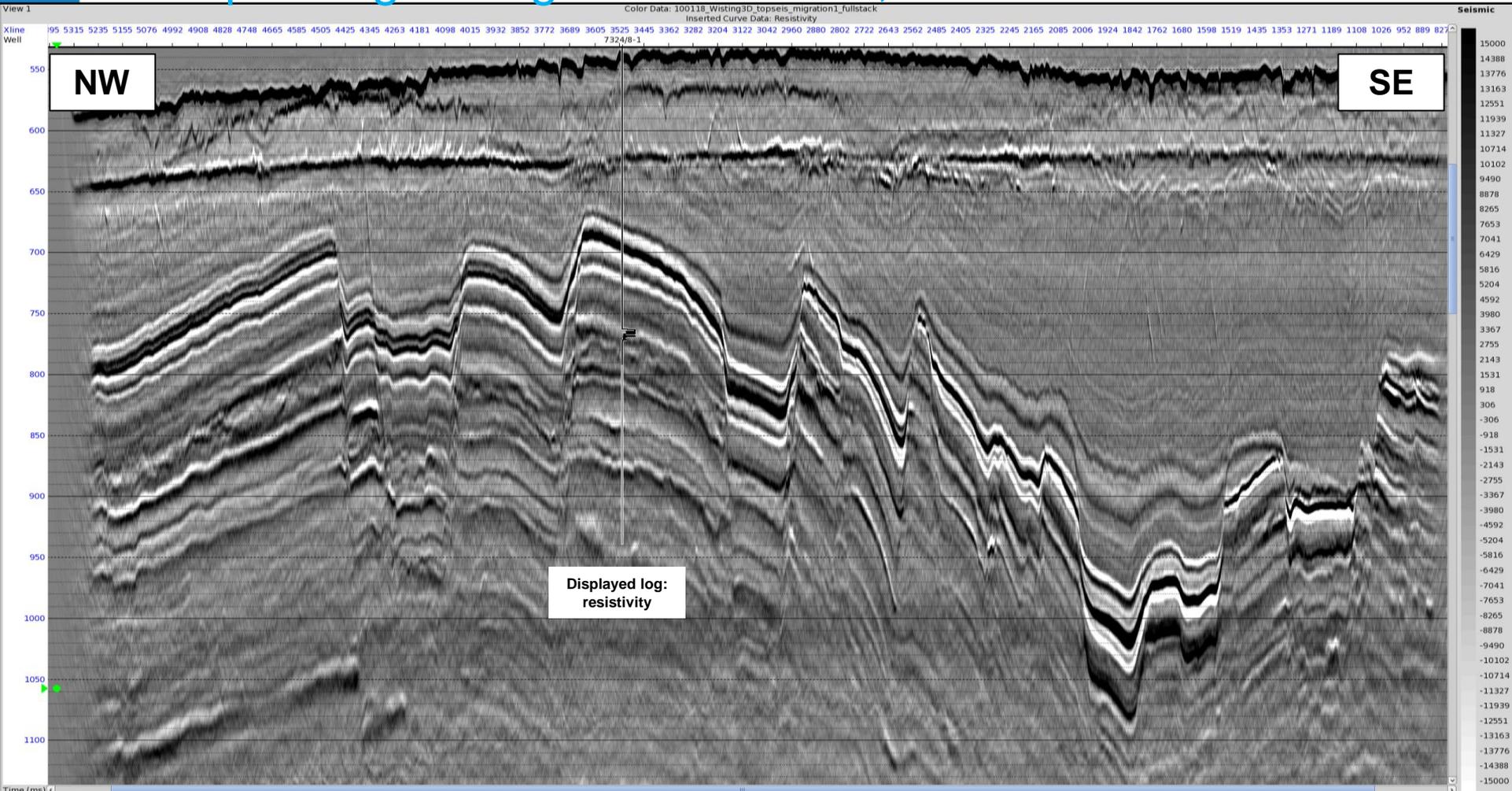


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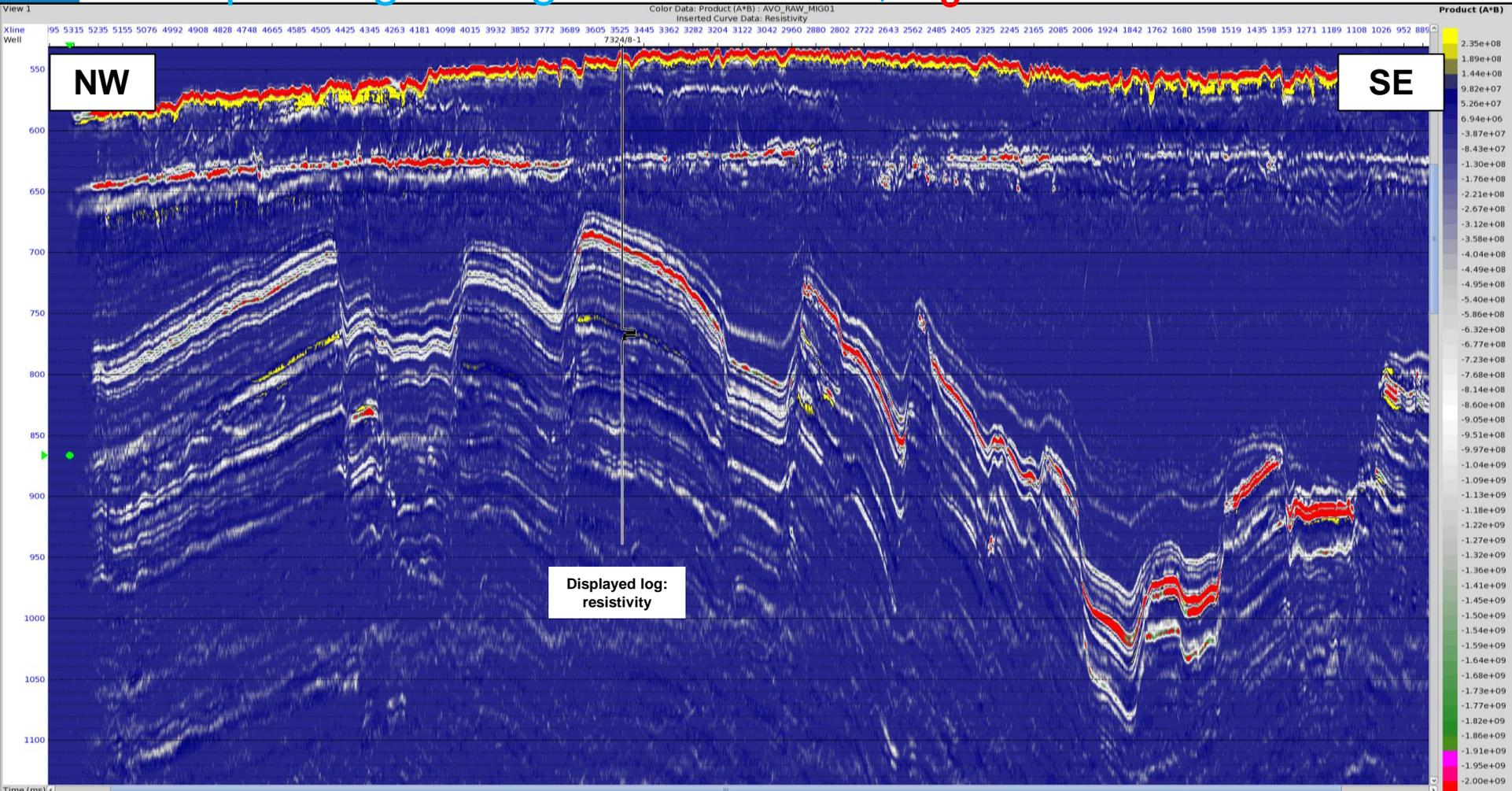




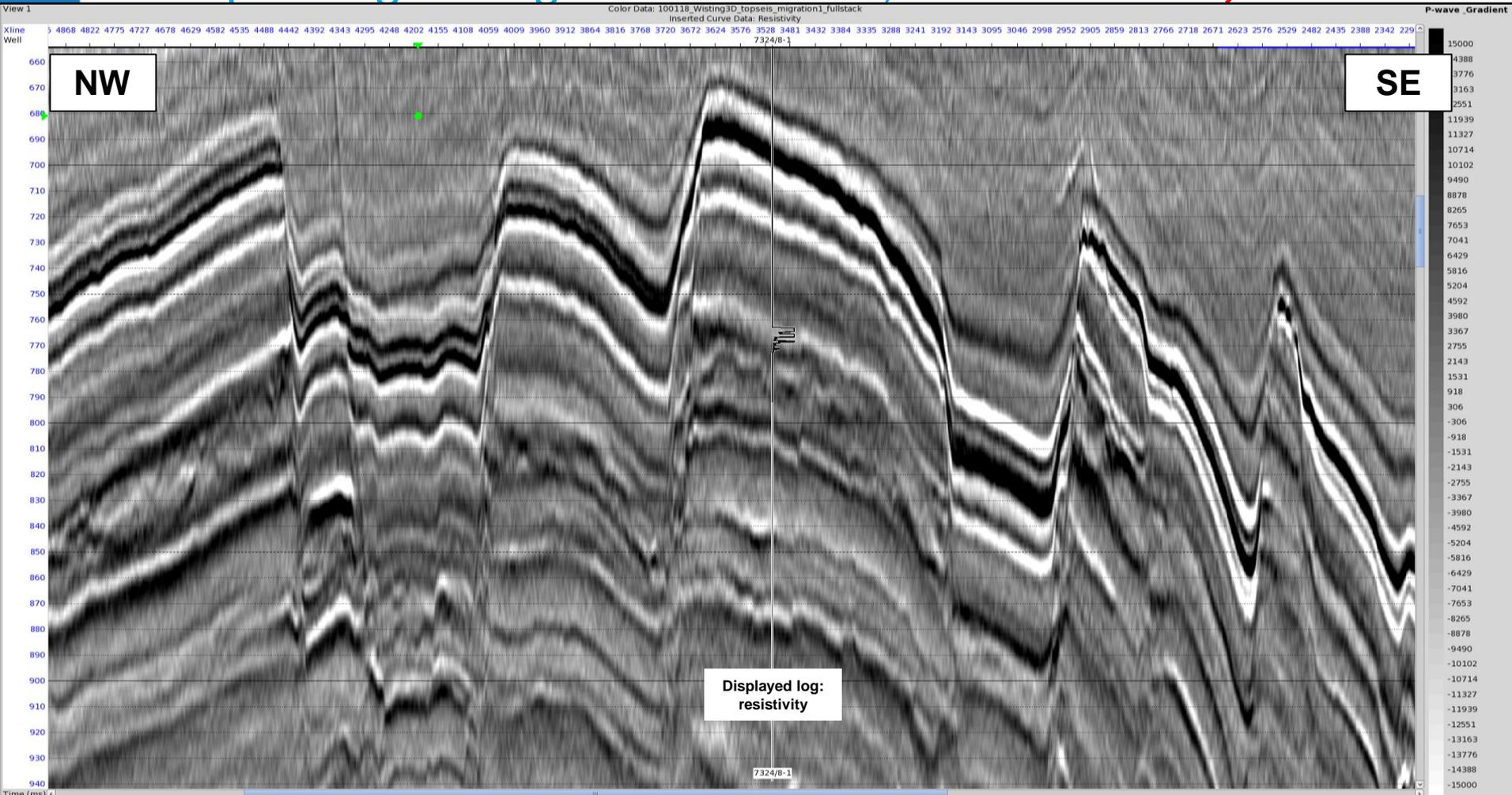
Inline passing through Central Well, FULL STACK



Inline passing through Central Well, $R_o * G$

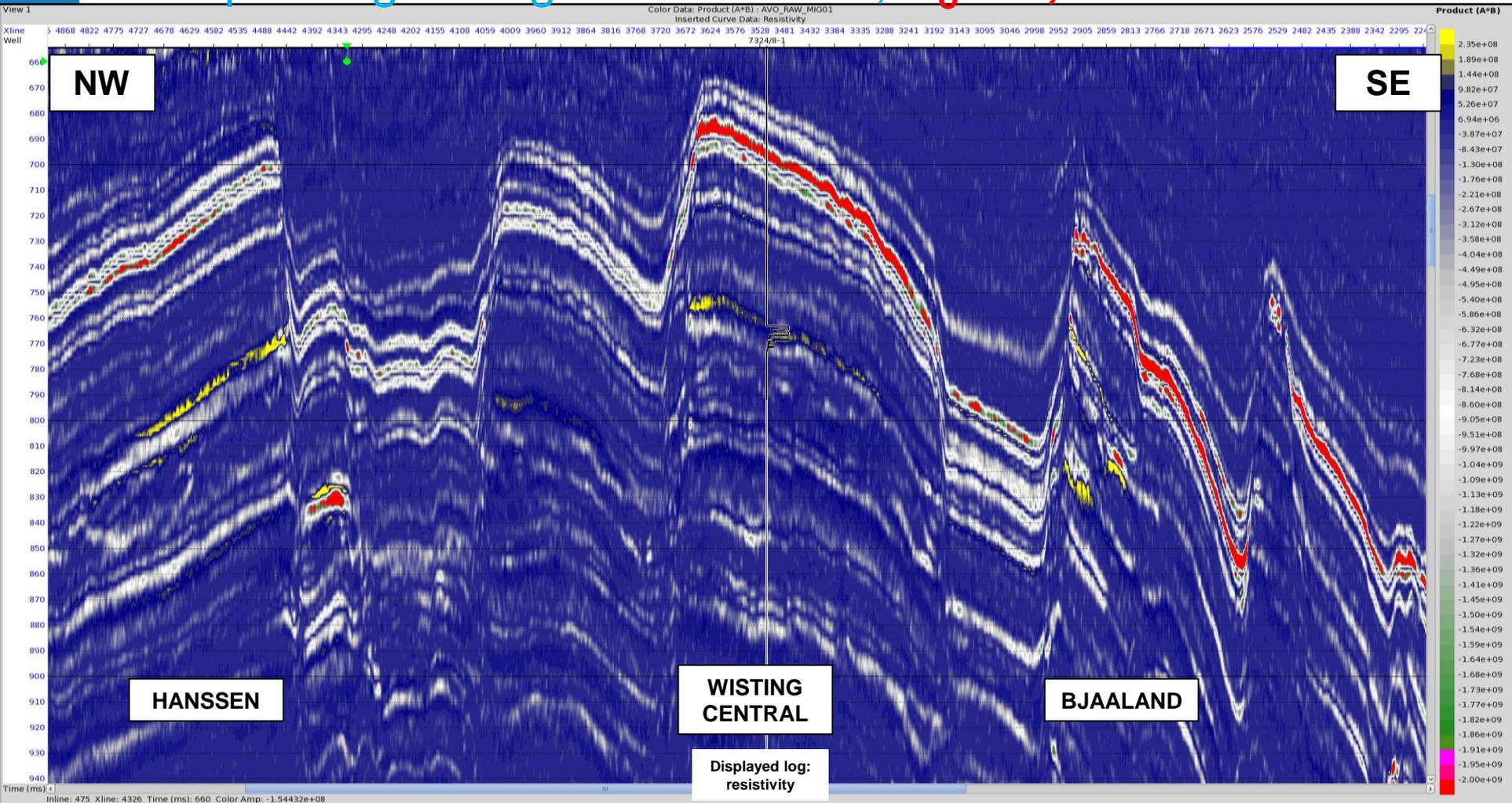


Inline passing through Central Well, FULL STACK, ZOOM



Inline passing through Central Well, $R_o * G$, ZOOM

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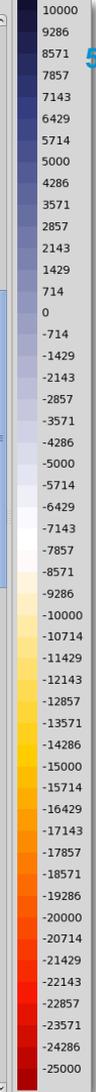
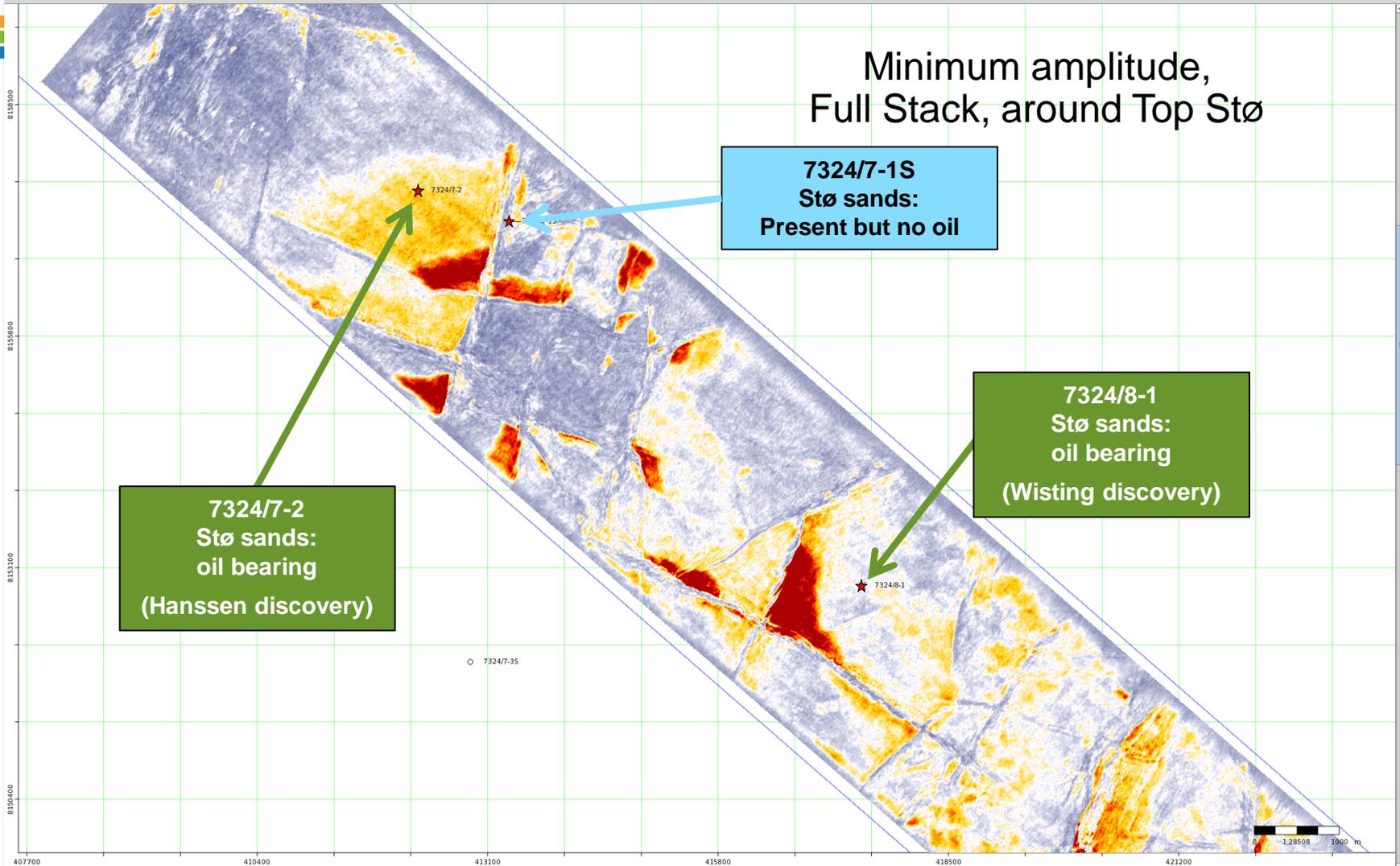


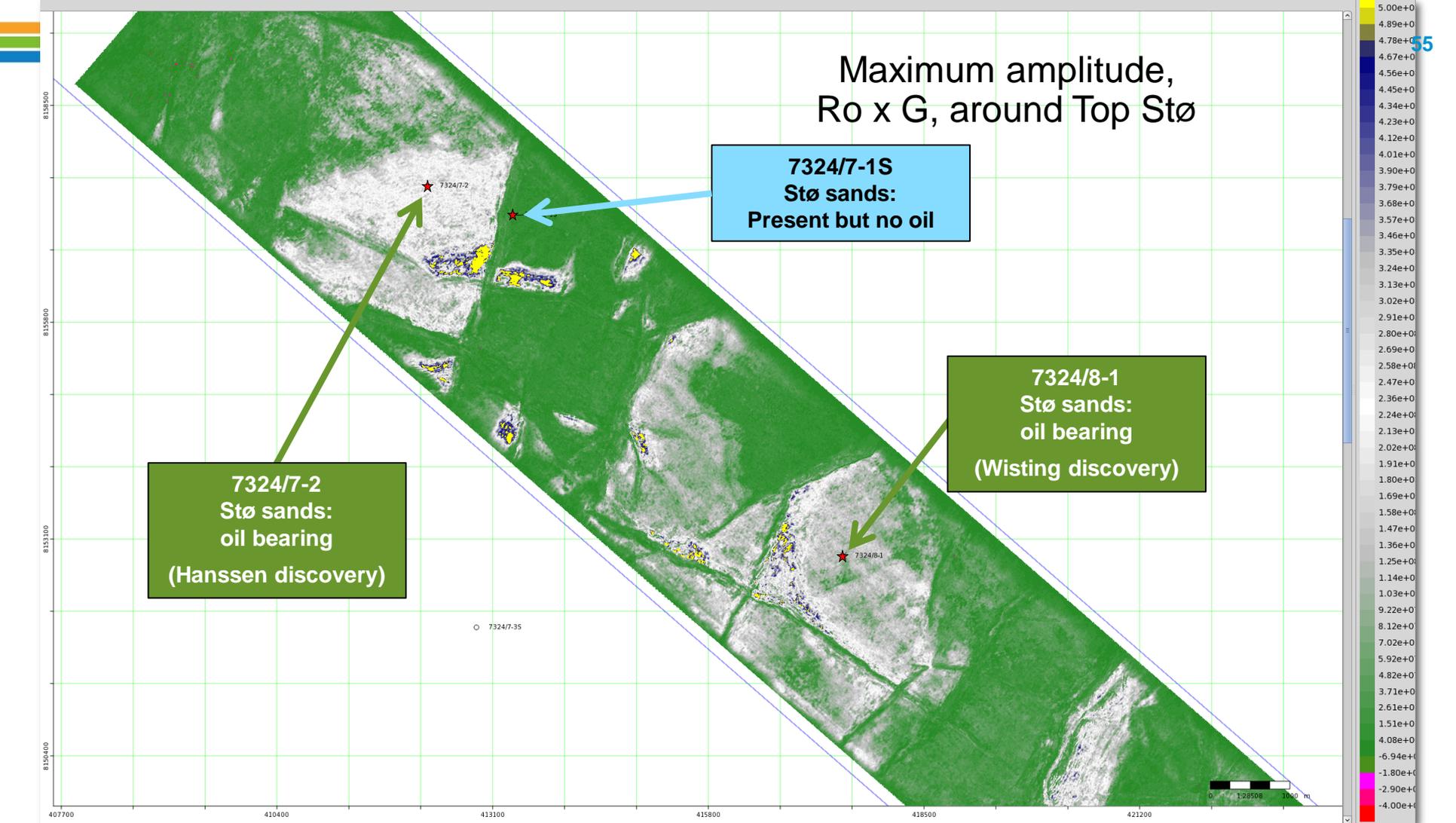
Minimum amplitude, Full Stack, around Top Stø

7324/7-1S
Stø sands:
Present but no oil

7324/8-1
Stø sands:
oil bearing
(Wisting discovery)

7324/7-2
Stø sands:
oil bearing
(Hanssen discovery)





Maximum amplitude, Ro x G, around Top Stø

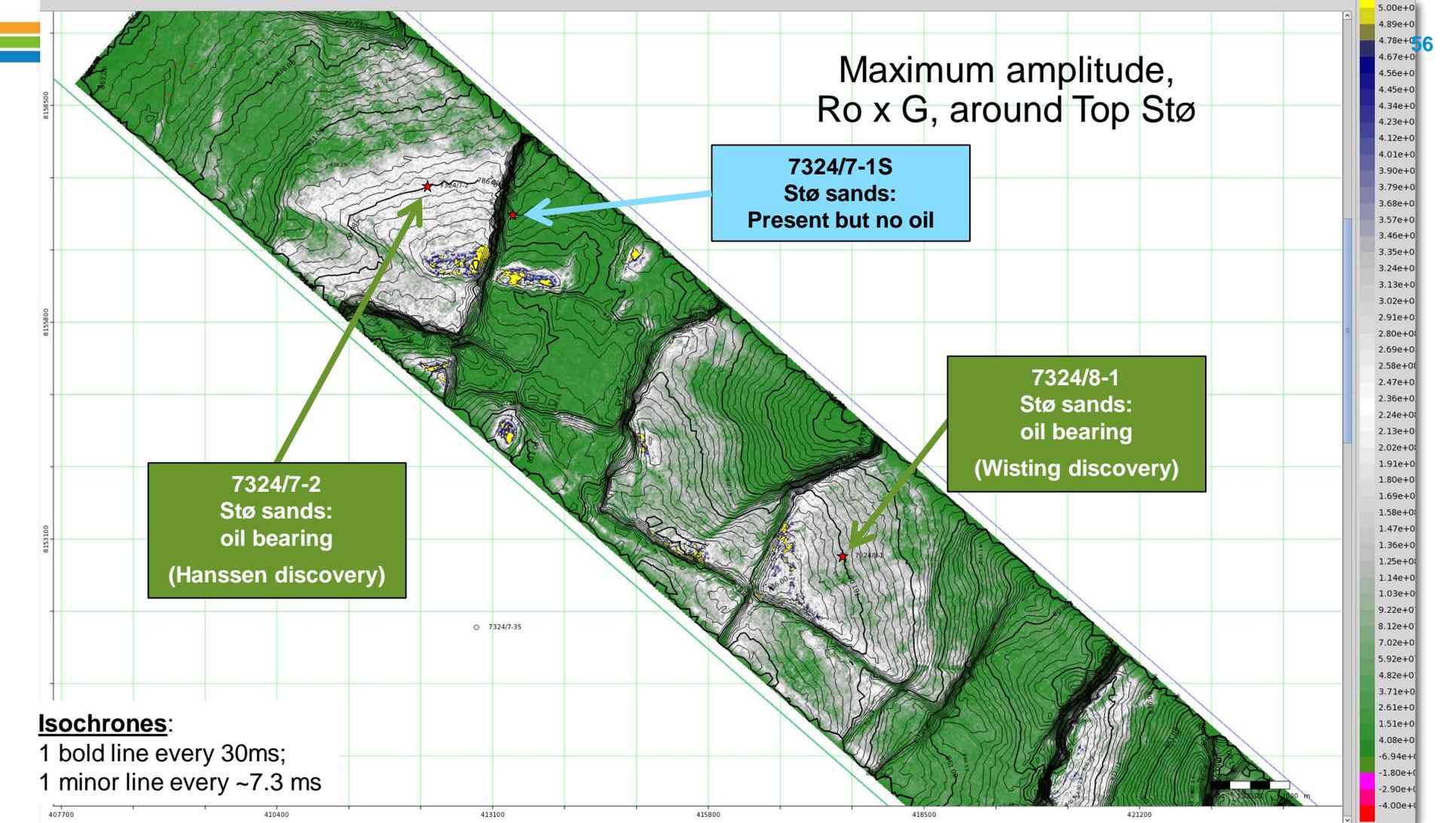
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oil bearing
(Wisting discovery)

○ 7324/7-35

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Maximum amplitude, $R_o \times G$, around Top Stø

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Stø sands:
oil bearing
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(Wisting discovery)

Isochrones:
1 bold line every 30ms;
1 minor line every ~7.3 ms

TopSeis - Conclusions

- ✓ Provides unique illumination and fold for improved imaging and reservoir characterization
- ✓ Complete top-to-bottom solution (when also shooting from the front)
- ✓ Has been verified in a comprehensive modelling and field test program
- ✓ First commercial survey was done in 2017 in the Barents Sea



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