

# Apports des modèles analogiques pour l'interprétation structurale de la sismique

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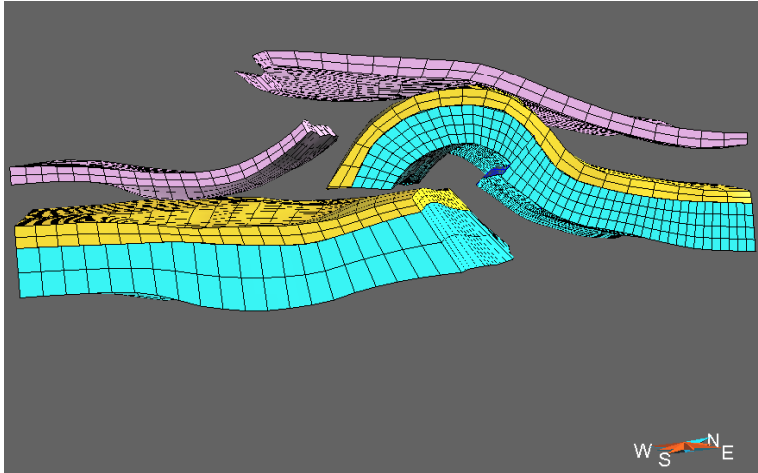
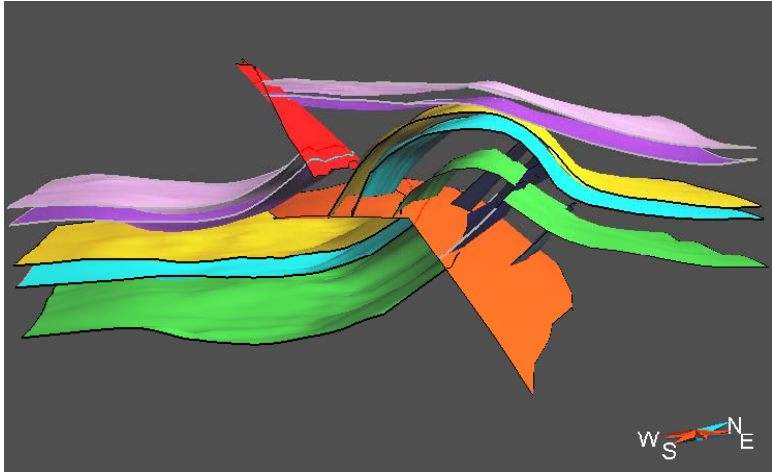
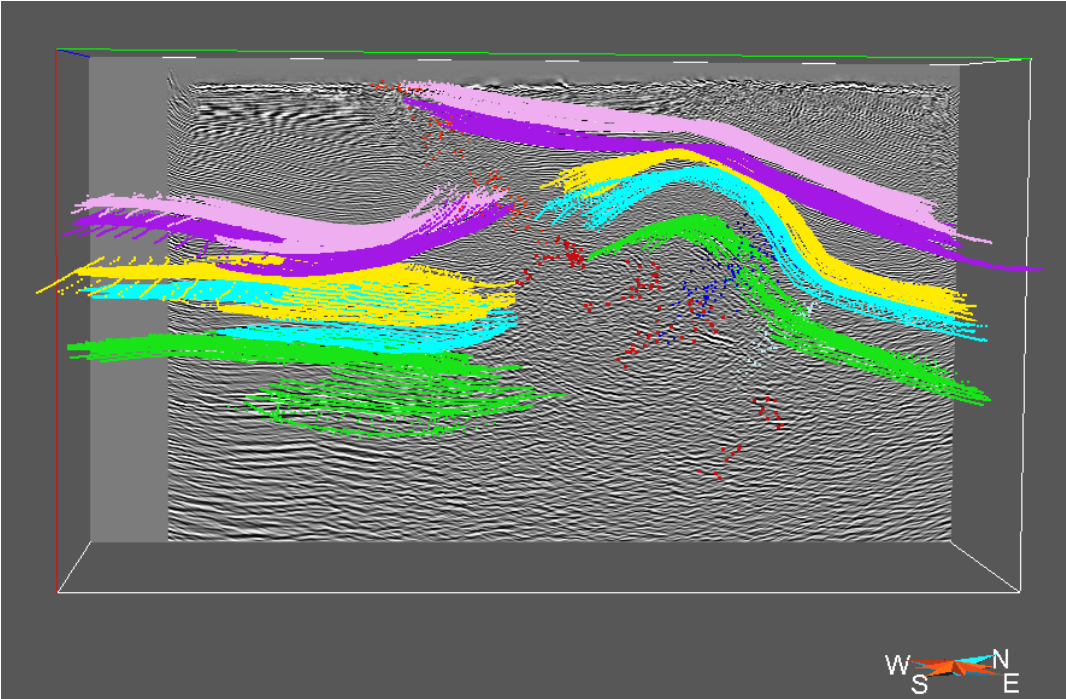
# Workflow for this talk

- **Introduction**
  - Context
  - Main goals
- **2D structural modelling in FTB**
  - From Thrustpack to Ceres Integrated studies
- **3D and 4D analogue sand-silicone experiments**
  - Folding and fault development
  - From surface to volumetric restoration
- **Conclusion**
  - Perspectives on fundamental and applied R&D for structural geologists

Unfolding? a surface or a layer!

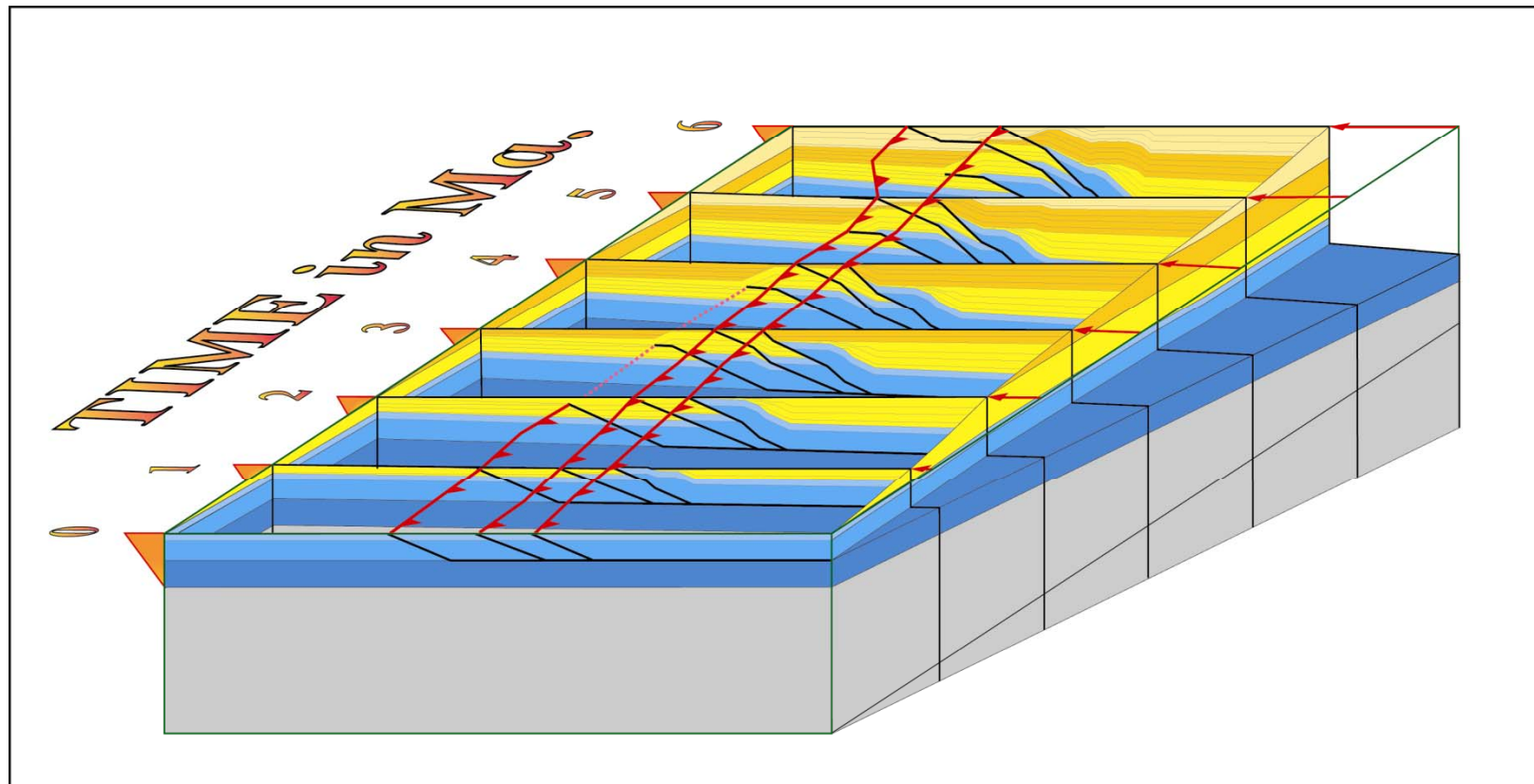






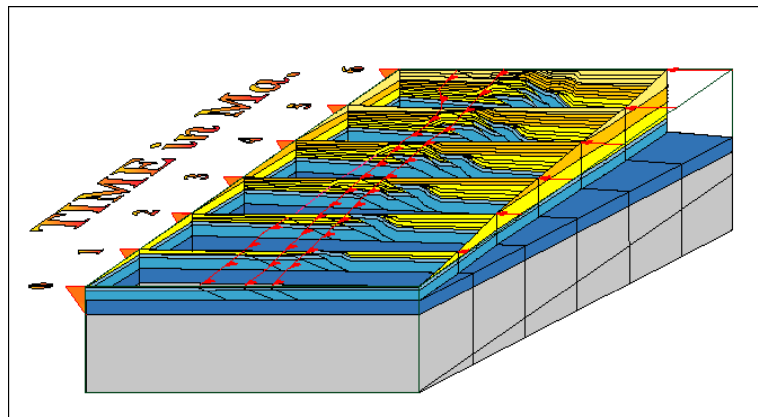
# Structural modeling along 2D cross sections

## From Thrustpack to Ceres studies

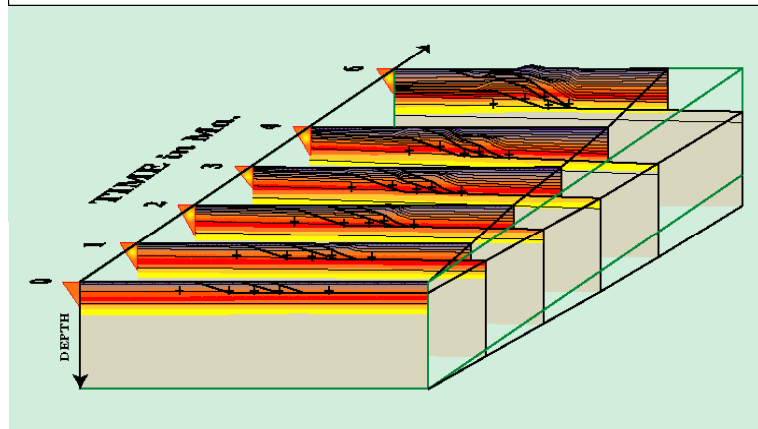


# Methodology

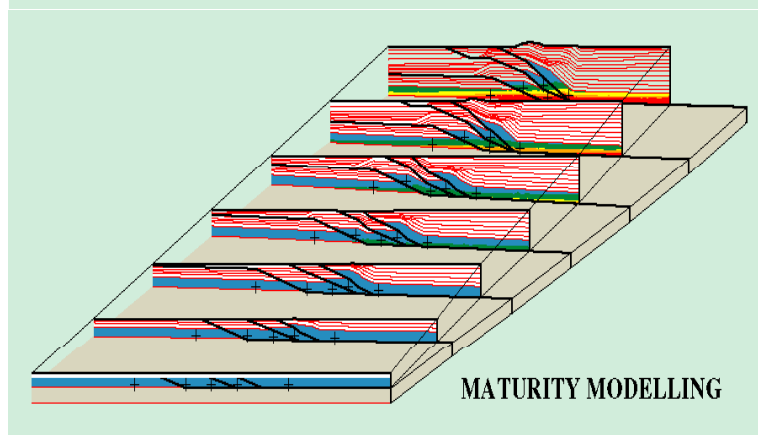
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**TEMPERATURE** --->



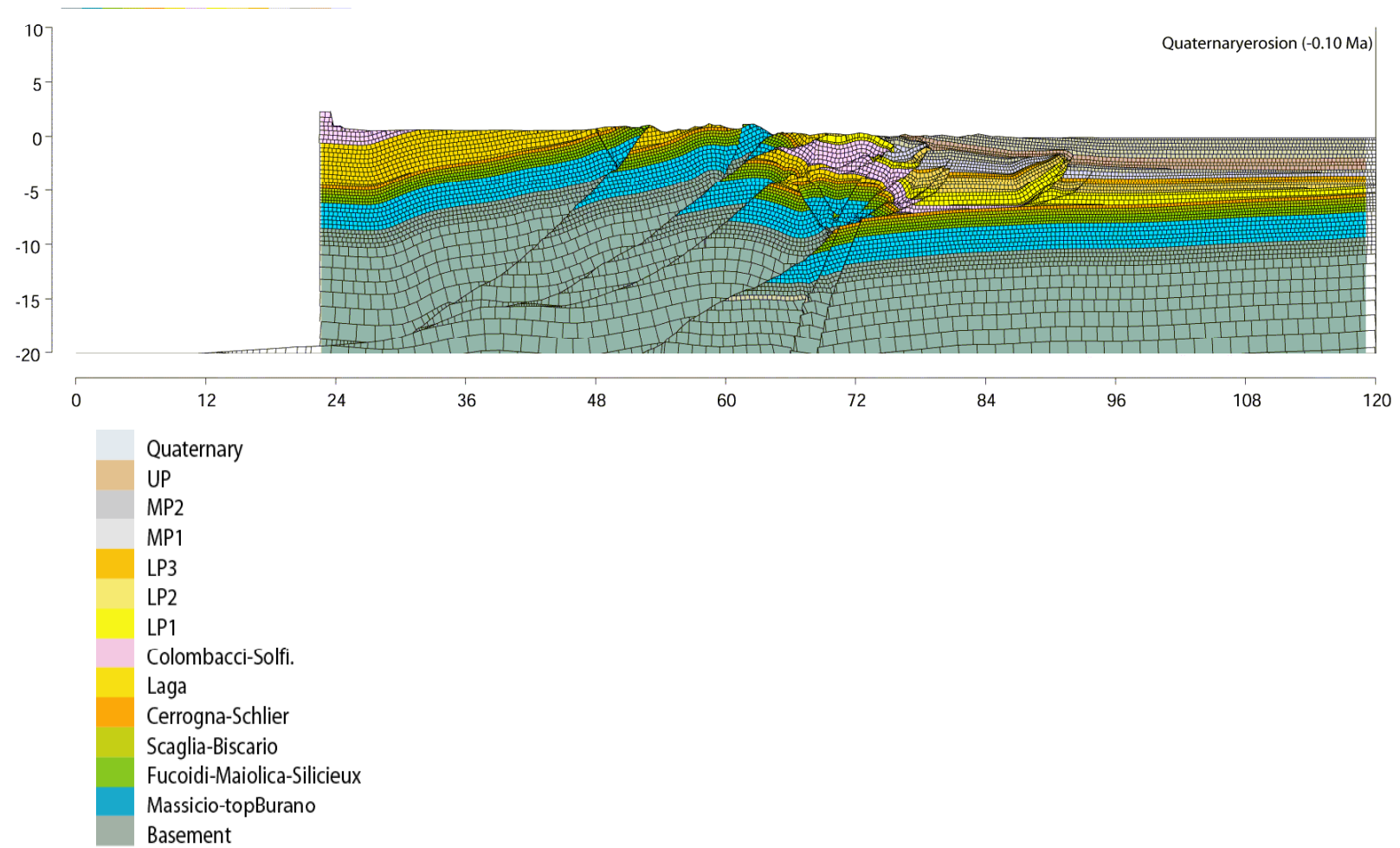
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# THRUSTPACK MODELLING

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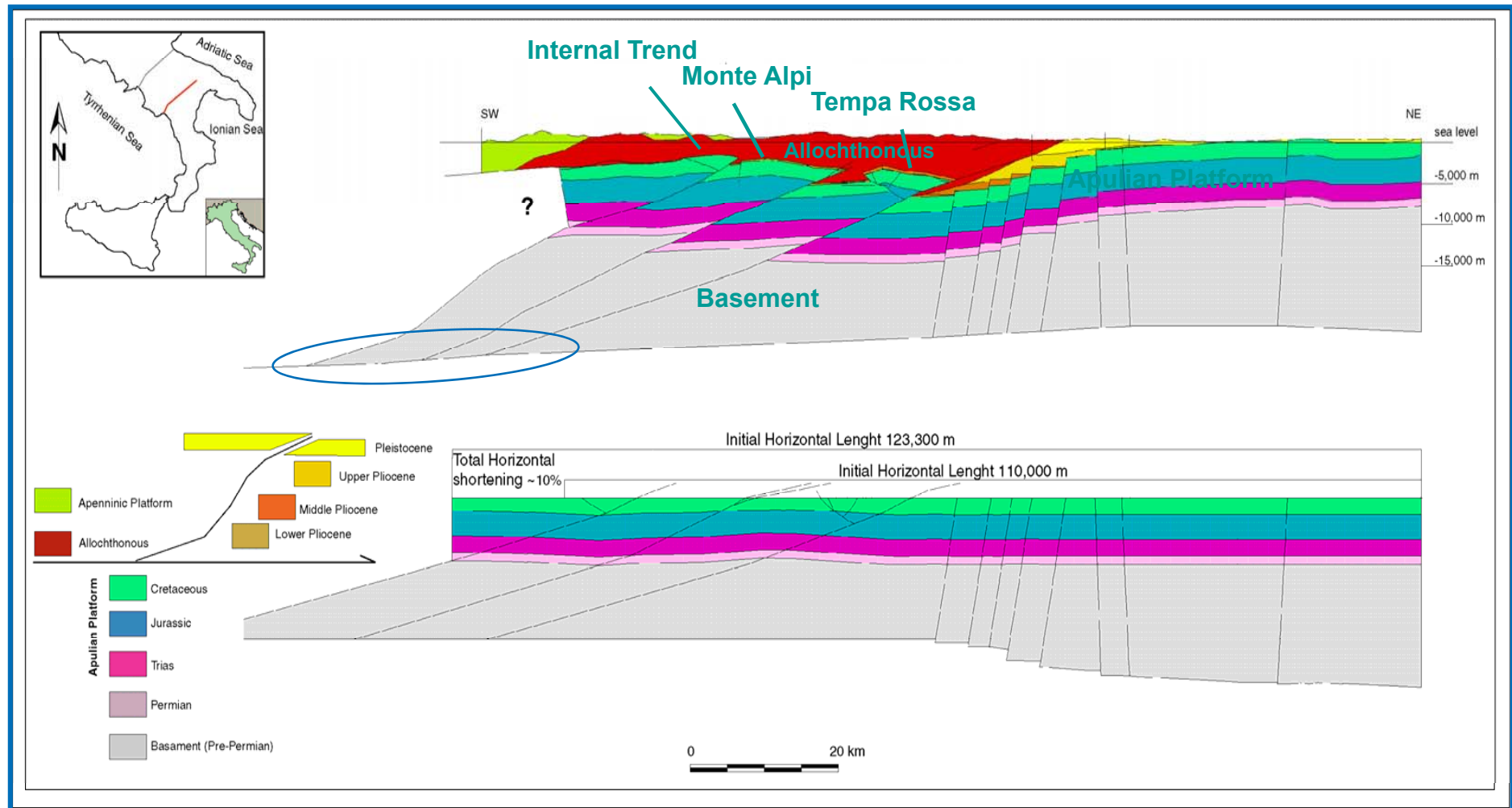
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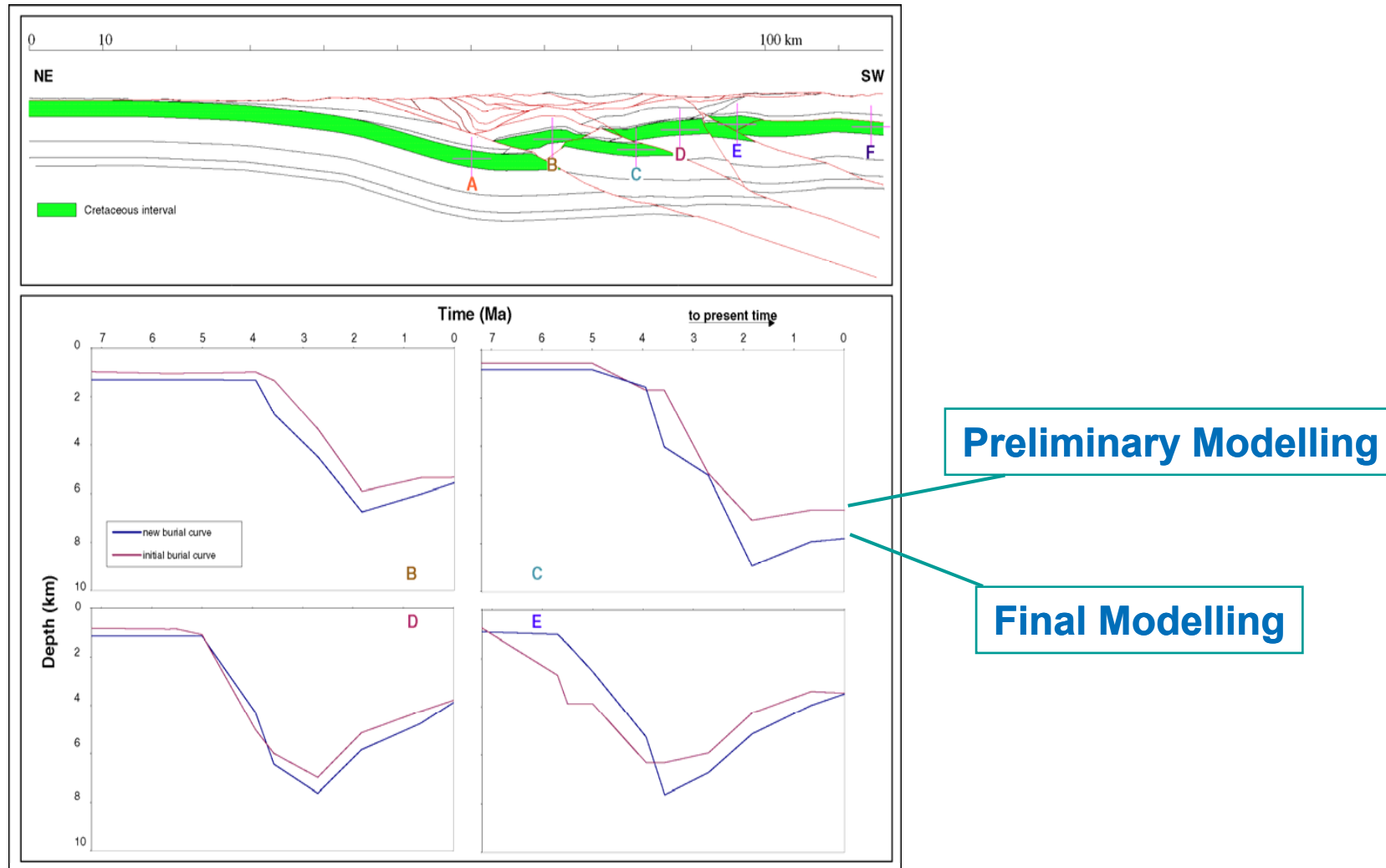




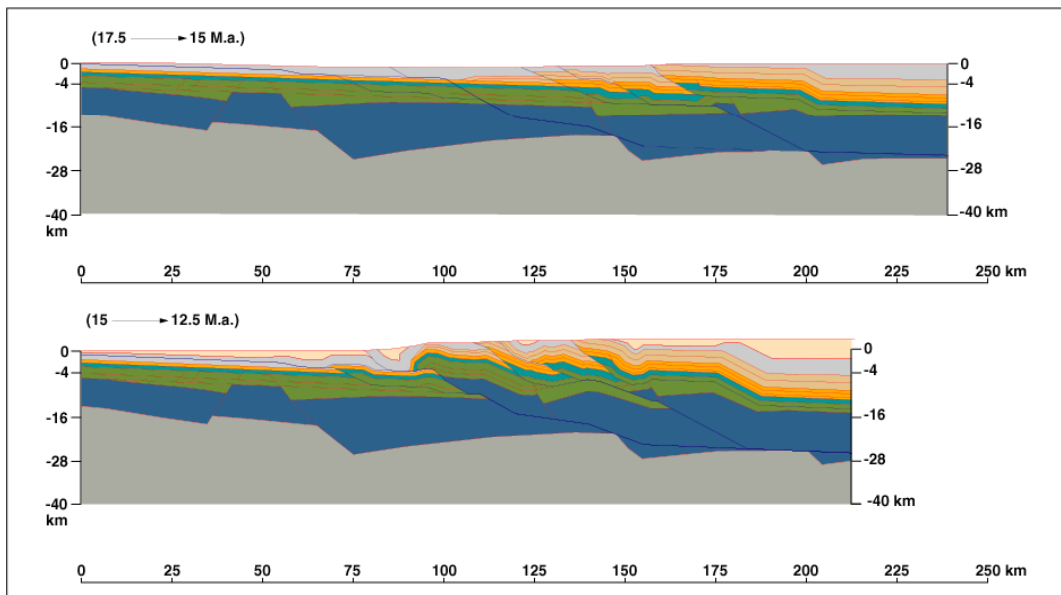
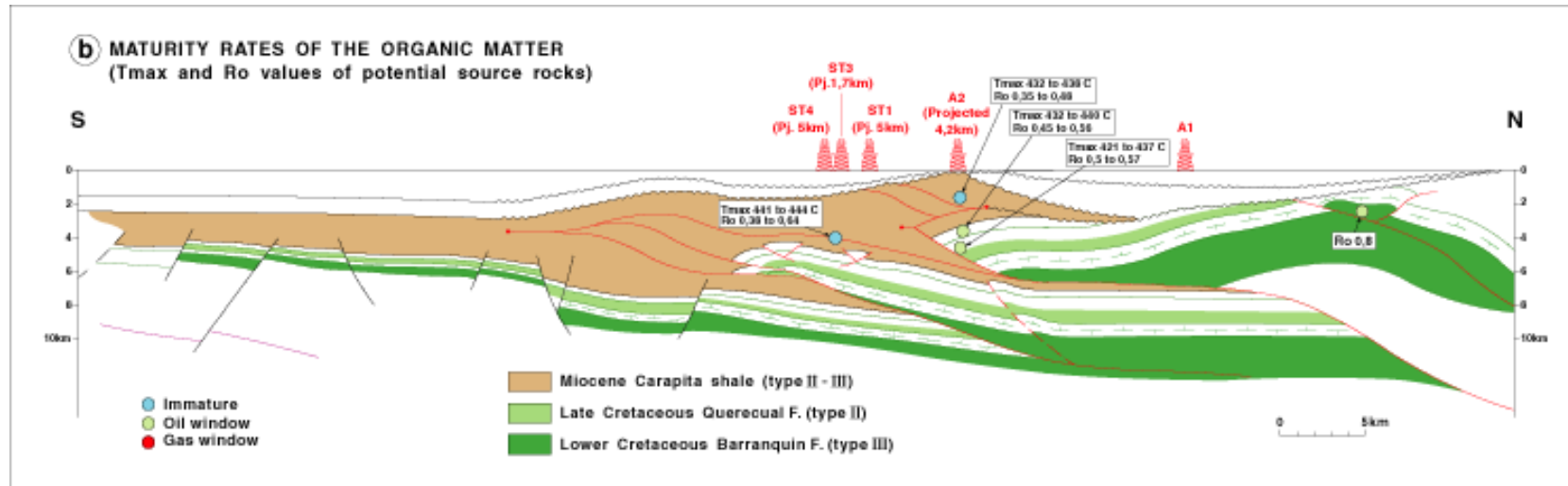
# The Tempa Rossa section through the Southern Apennines Thrust Belt (After Sciamanna et al, 2004)



# ◆ Reducing uncertainties with Forward Modelling



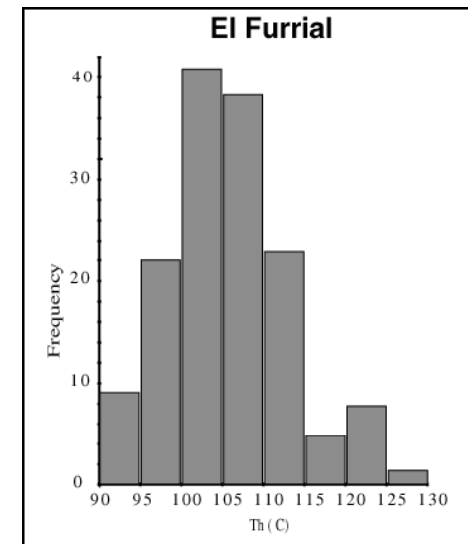
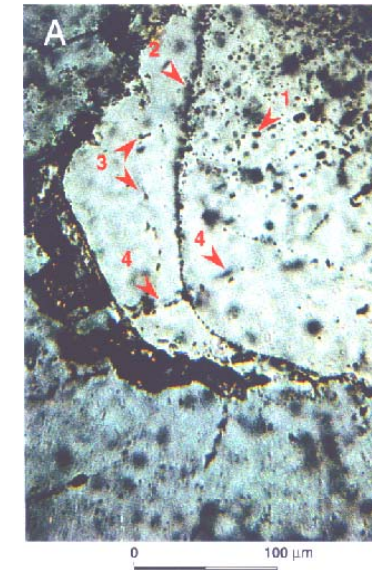
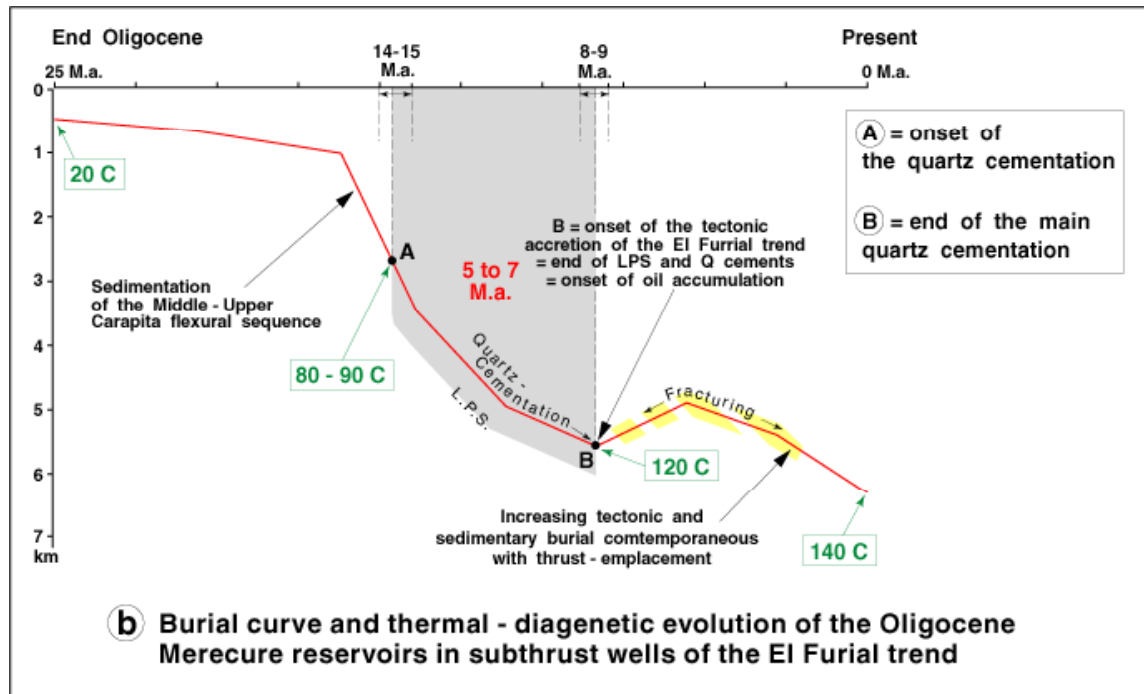
# 1- Workflow for Petroleum and Reservoir modeling in FFTB (Eastern Venezuela case study, Roure et col., 2000-2008)



- 2D kinematic modelling is performed first

- Thermal modelling is then calibrated against BHT and maturity rank of organic matter (Tmax and Ro)

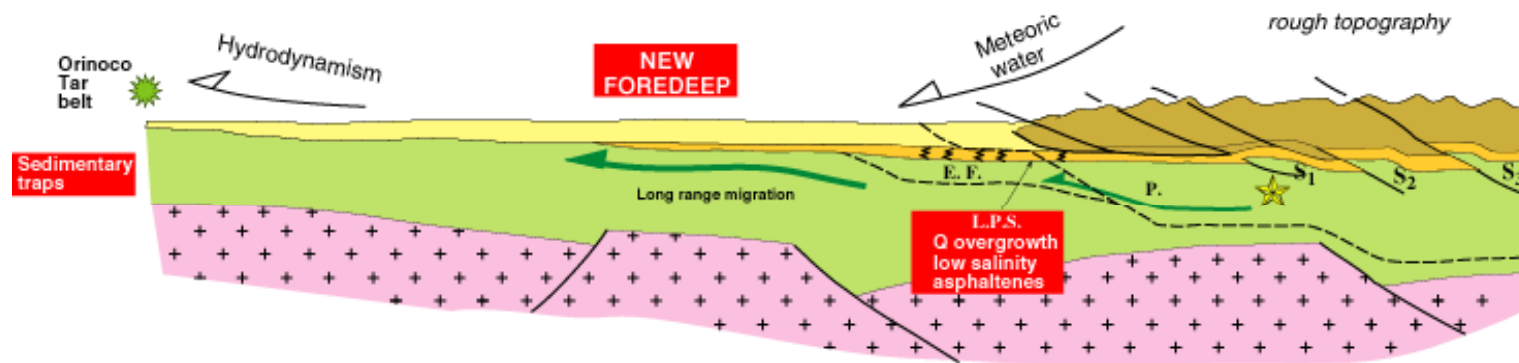
**Q-cements can then be dated by plotting Th temperatures on burial curves by means of Thrutpack thermal modeling**



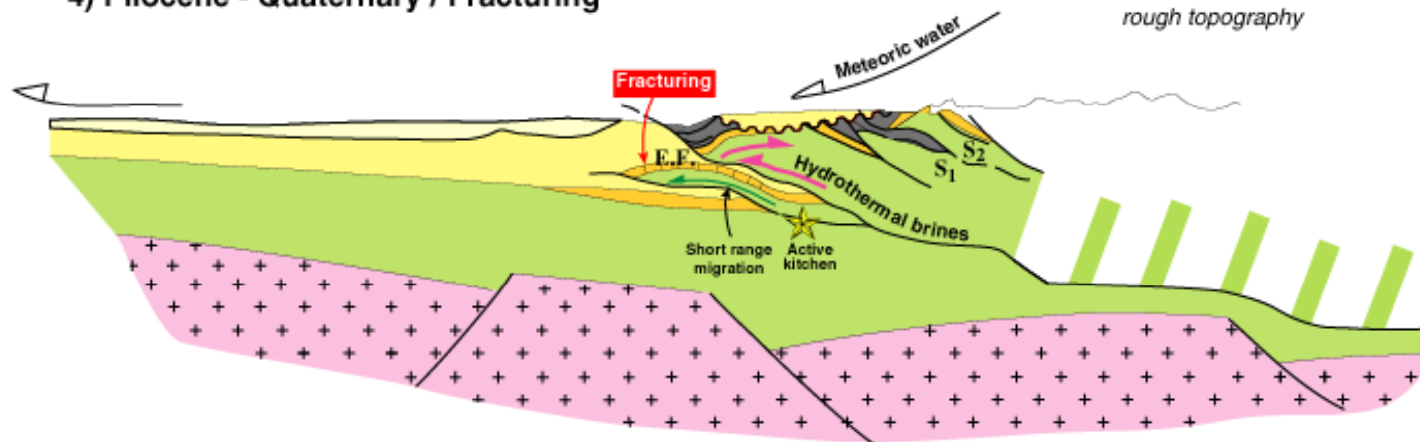
**Q-cements always develop during a very narrow temperature and time interval...**

**BUT Overpressure may prevent the reservoir from further compaction...  
and Diagenesis can also operate in an open system...**

### 3) Middle-Late Miocene Hydrodynamism / Layer Parallel Shortening

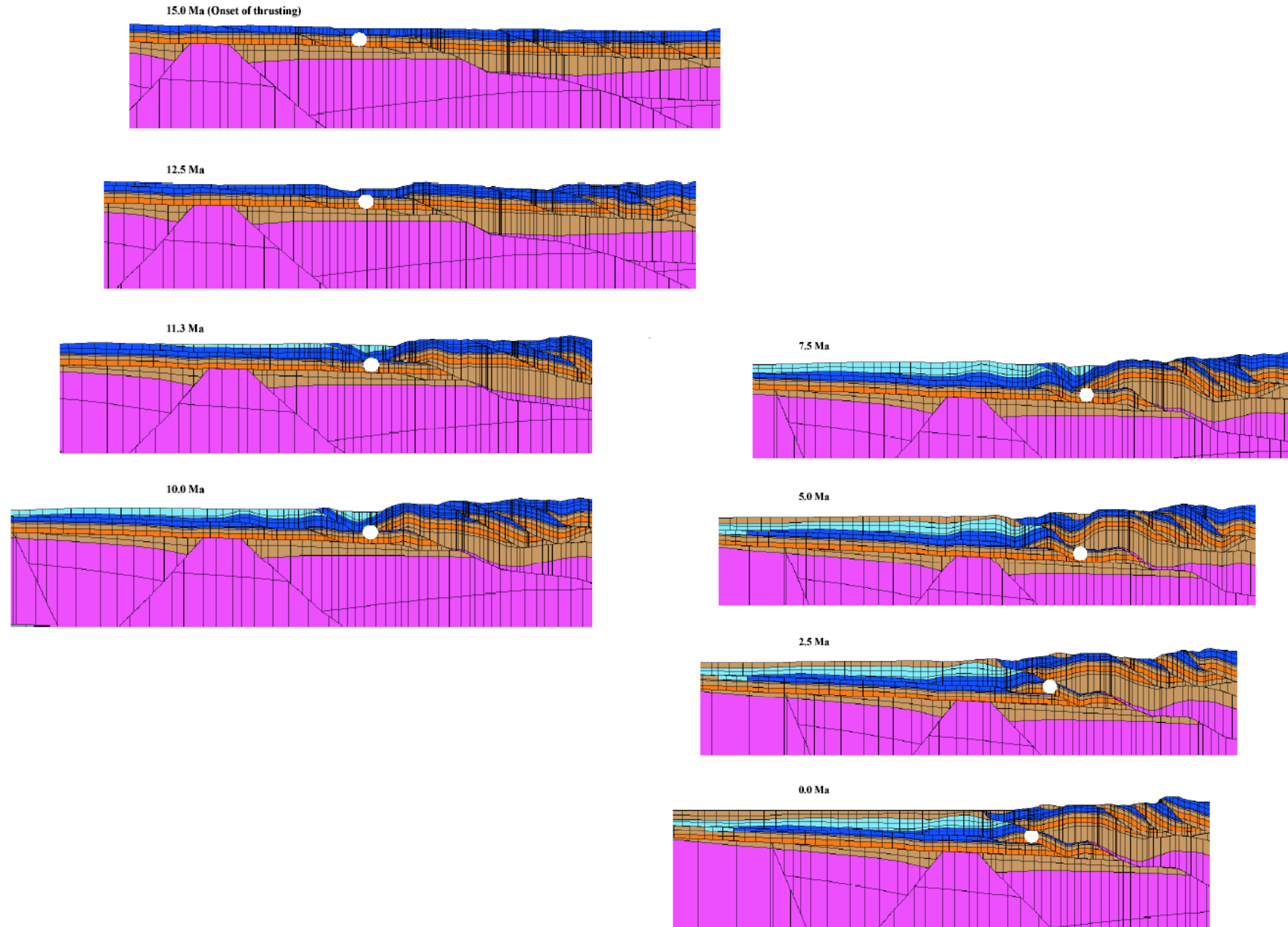


### 4) Pliocene - Quaternary / Fracturing

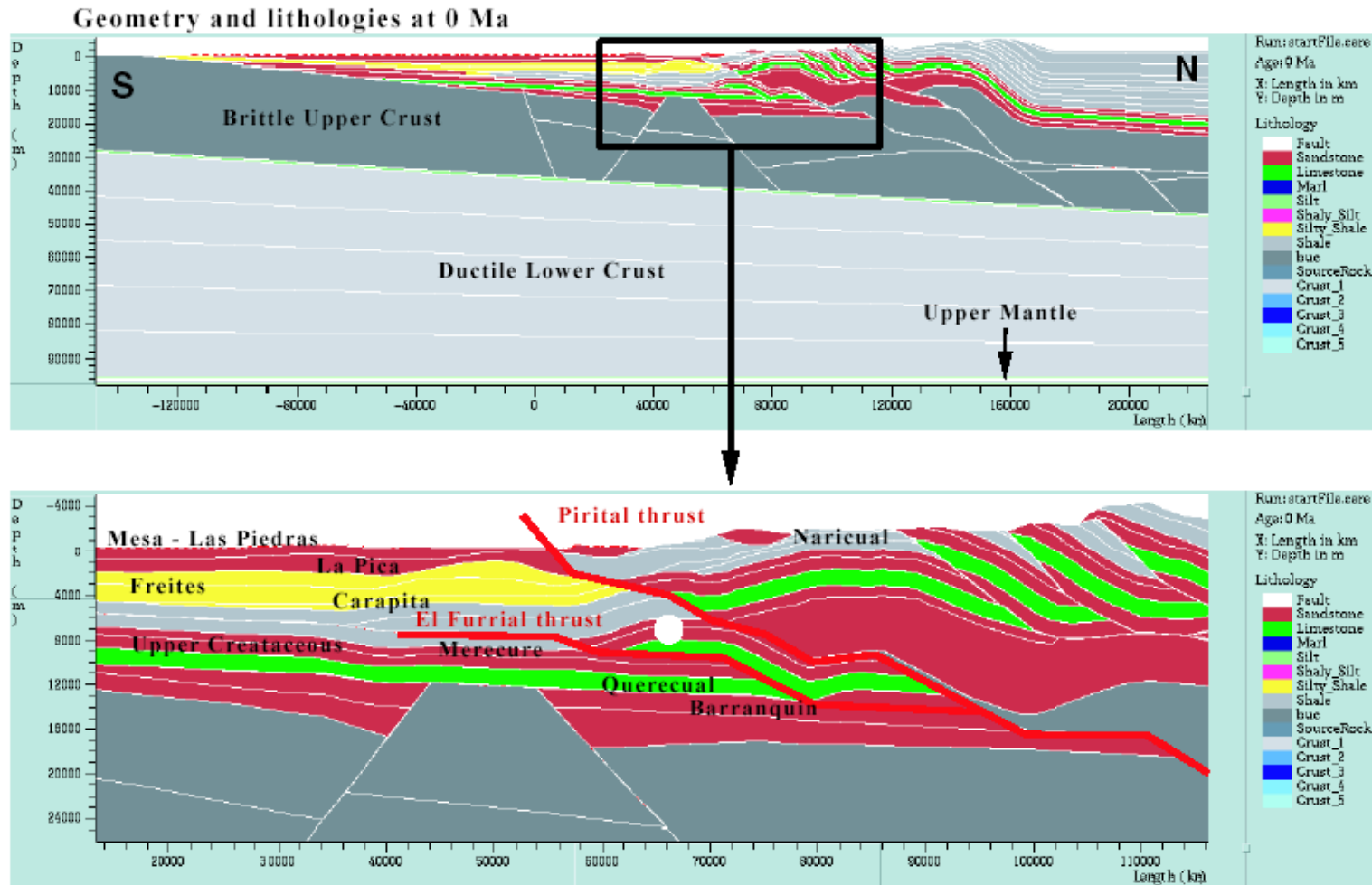


**THEREFORE, fluid flow and pore fluid pressure modelling is required for  
reservoir prediction**

## Thrustpack templates are used as input data for Ceres 2D modelling



Although there is no formation water left,  $\delta O_{18}$  values in Fluid inclusions from Q-overgrowths account for basinal, not meteoric fluids in the Naricual reservoir in Furrial.....





# Main goals for structural interpretation

## ■ **Ensure Structural Consistency**

- Good Present Day Structure Geometry
- Appraise all alternative scenarios of structural and sedimentological evolution

## ■ **Produce a Forward Model**

- Resetting original thickness & eroded volumes
- Palinspastic maps
- Geometry to Basin and Reservoir Models
- Burial history curves

# Restoration techniques and geomechanics

## ■ Simple-shear & flexural slip

- constant volume
- fault-bend fold; detachment fault; tri-shear etc...
- Back-stripping

## ■ Stress-Strain and rheology

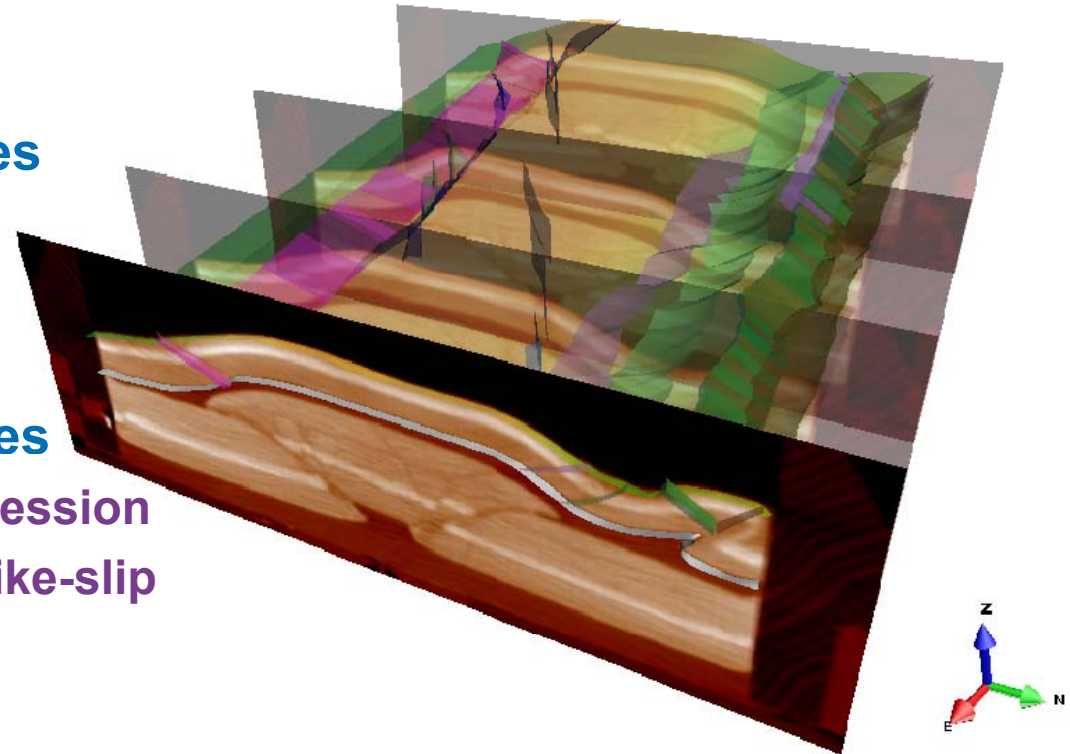
- Requires to define temporal windows of major deformation processes

## ■ Fracturing processes

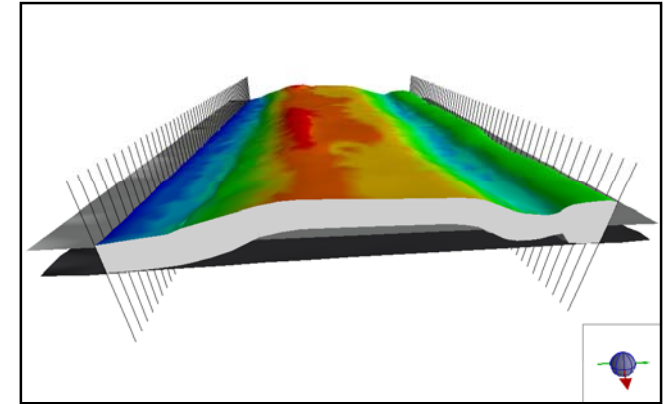
- Partly linked to burial and consolidation
- Partly linked to tectonic and diagenesis
- Partly acquired during loading and unloading events

# ANALOGUE SAND-SILICONE MODELS

- **Single Tectonic Regimes**
  - Extension
  - Strike Slip
  - Thrust
- **Mixed Tectonic Regimes**
  - Extension then compression
  - Compression then strike-slip
  - Transtension
  - Transpression
- **Complex processes**
  - Analogue to Salt diapirisms
  - Mechanical decoupling
  - Erosion/sedimentation

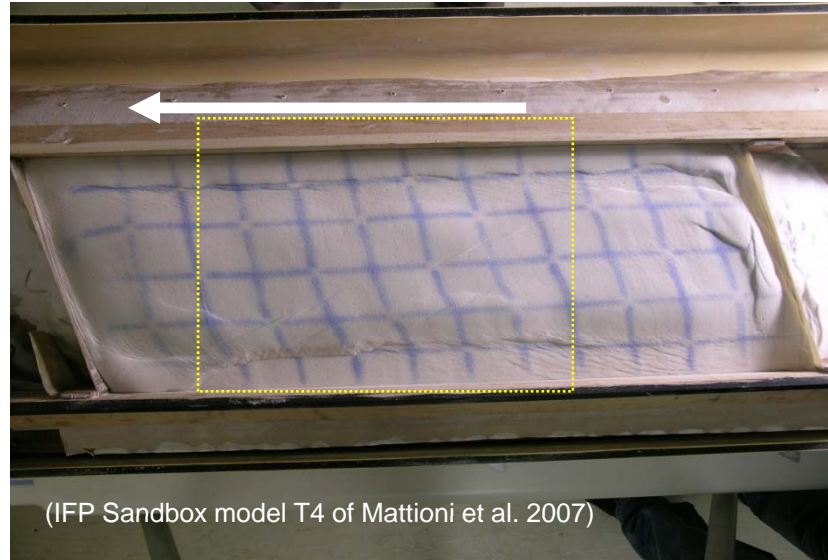


# TWO OBJECTIVES



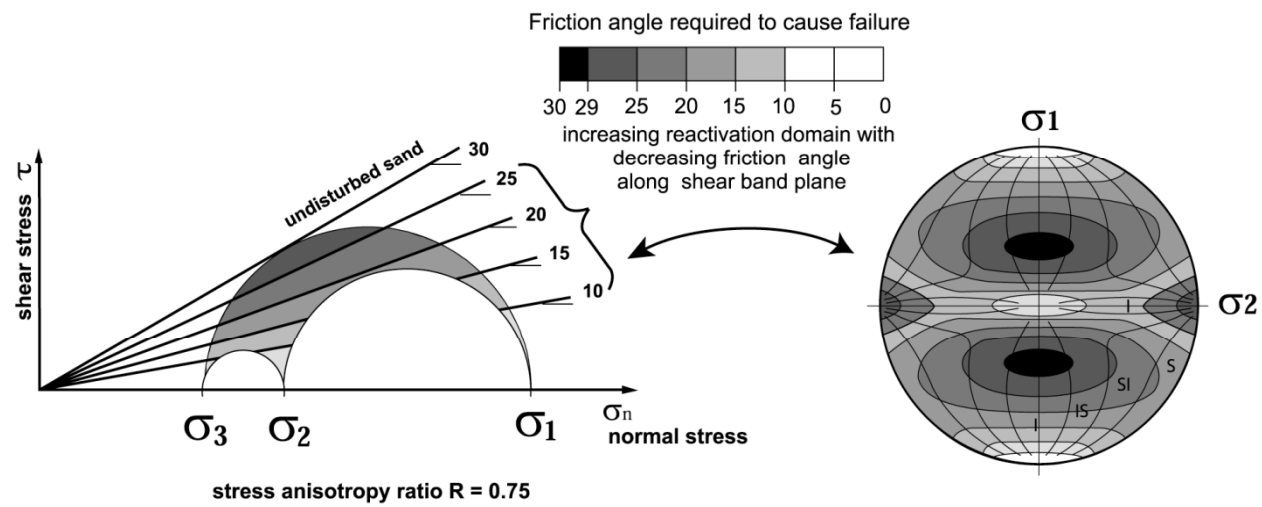
- Measure structural elements to better understand the mechanical evolution in Analogue Sandbox models
  - Investigate boundary conditions versus structural style
  - Investigate fault development, fault chronology and interactions
  - Fold and fault pattern versus loading and applied external strain
  
- Propose Restoration standards
  - Update Workflows for efficient sequential calculations
  - Define New Algorithms for volume restoration
  - Acceptable and Non-Acceptable Errors

# SAND= Granular Material



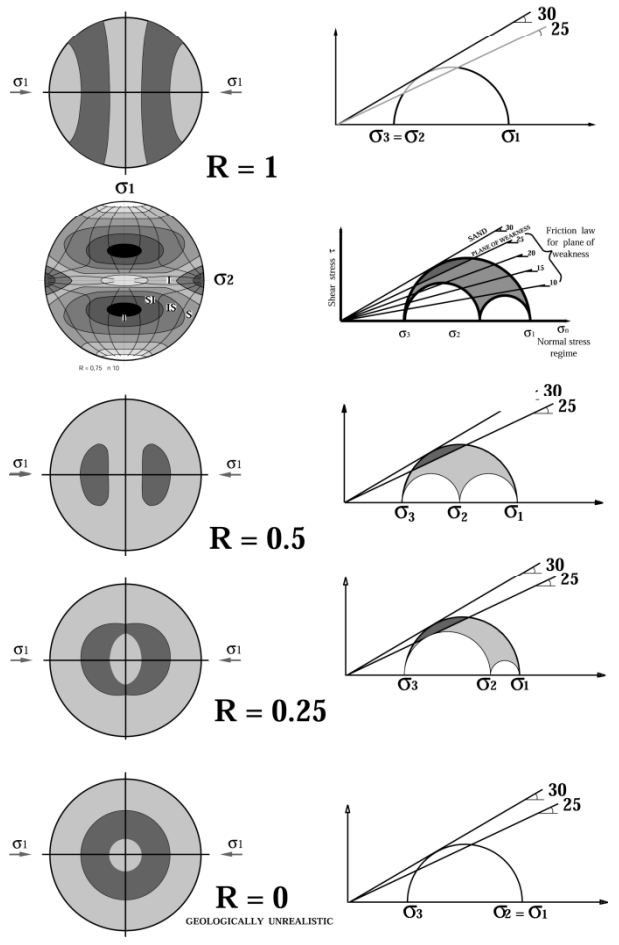
- **Brittle behaviour**
  - good analogue in fault geometry and kinematics and reactivation
  - Dilation is strong
  - **Sand friction coefficient // most rocks**
- **Mode II discontinuities (no mode I)**

# Sand and Corundum are Mohr-Coulomb materials



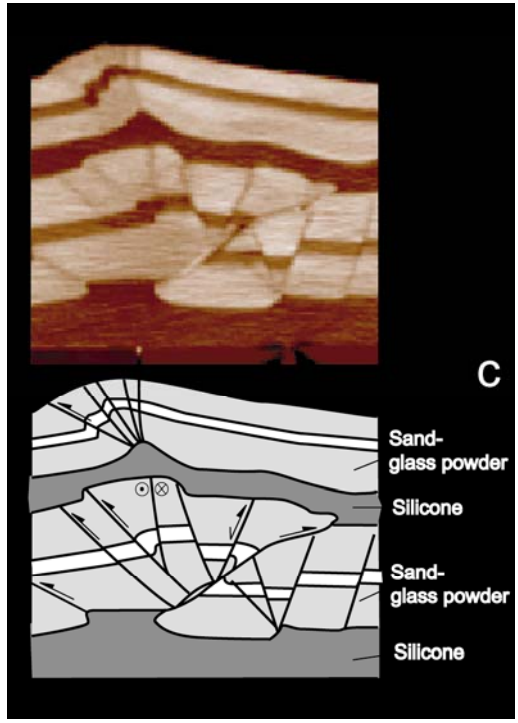
# Material and scaling:

sand=brittle    silicone=ductile

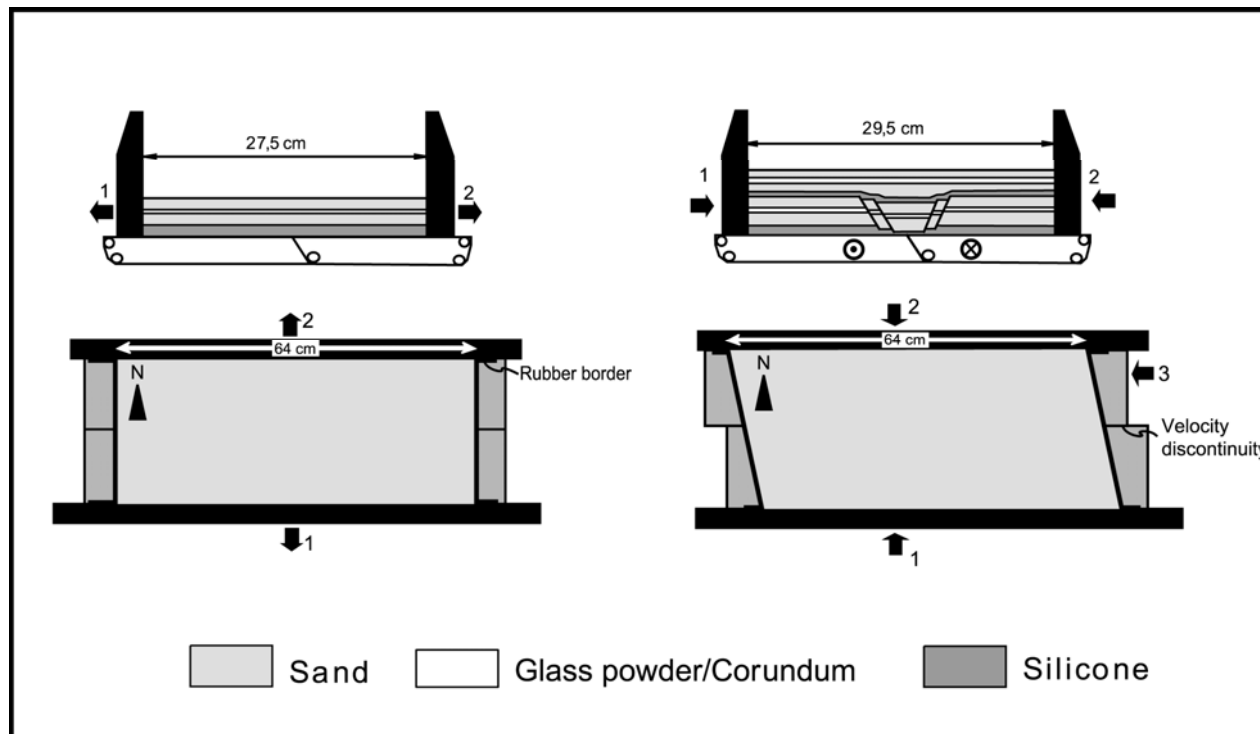


## Mohr - Coulomb Analysis

New faults  
versus  
fault reactivation



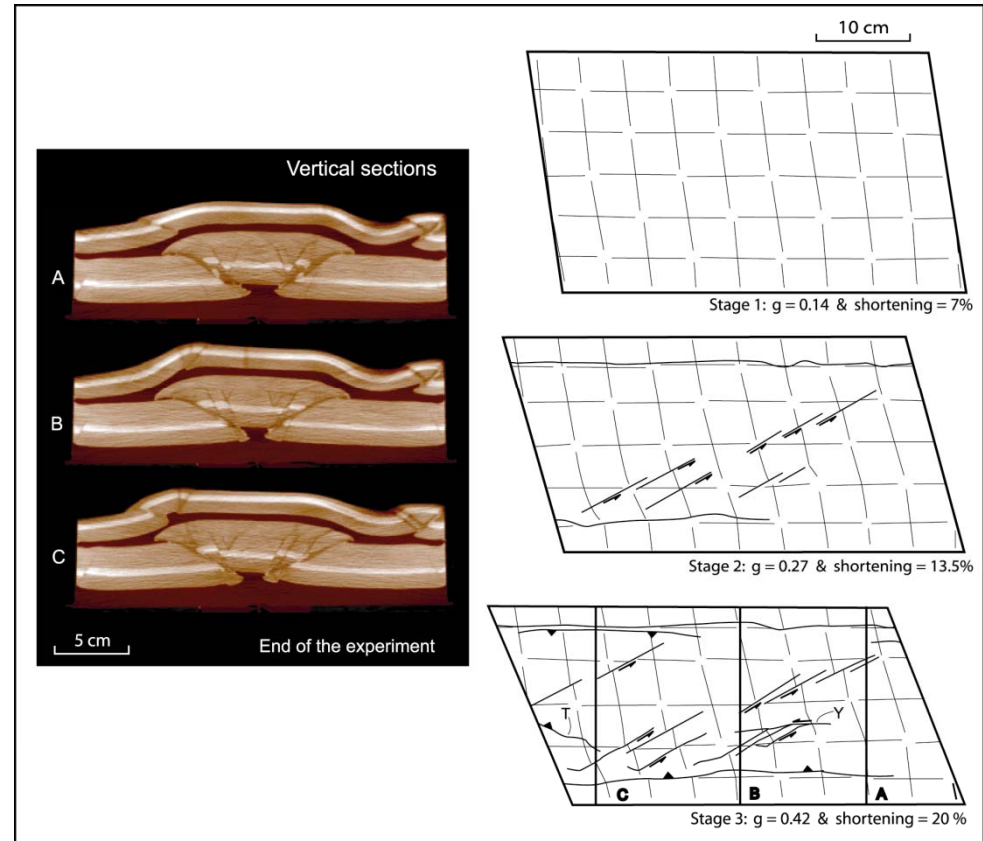
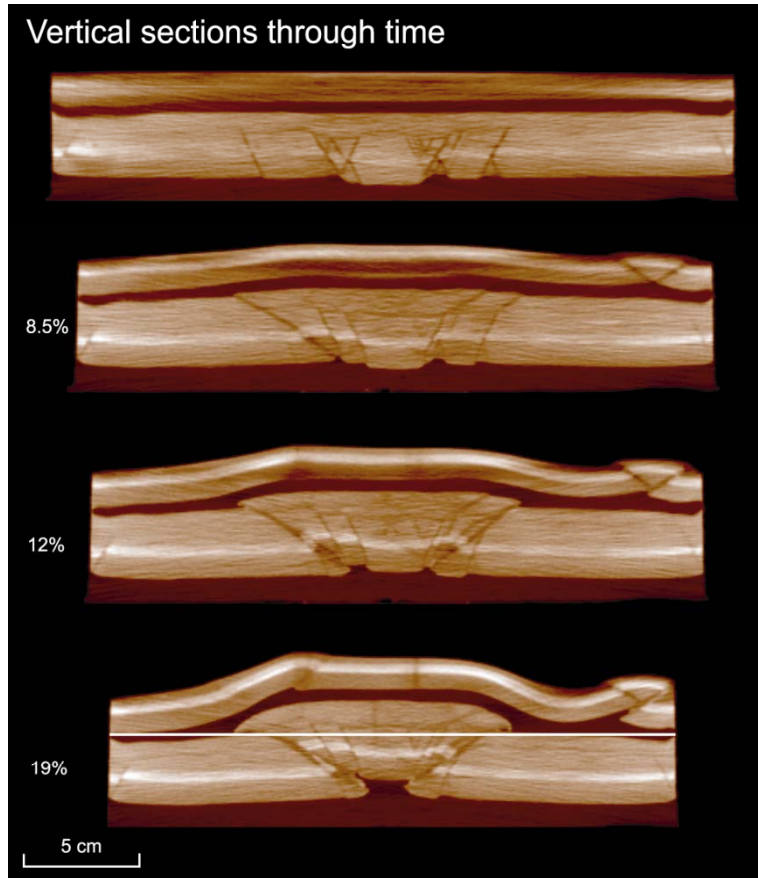
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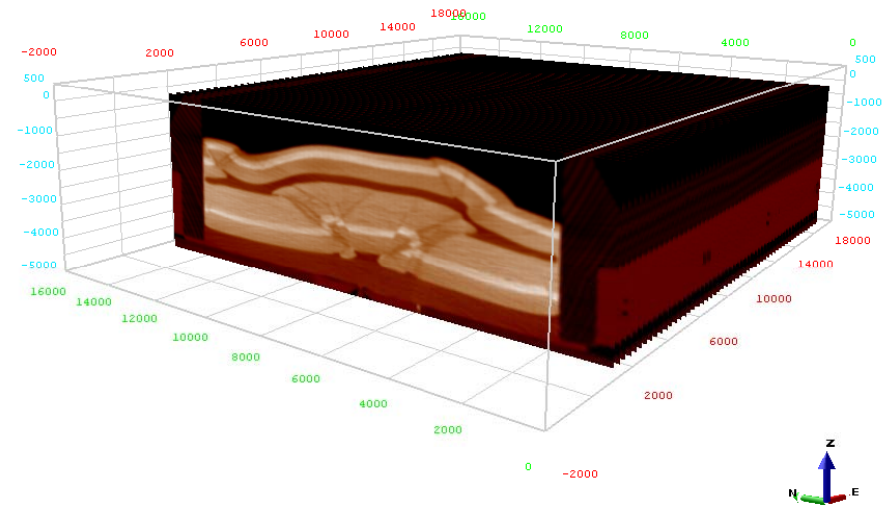
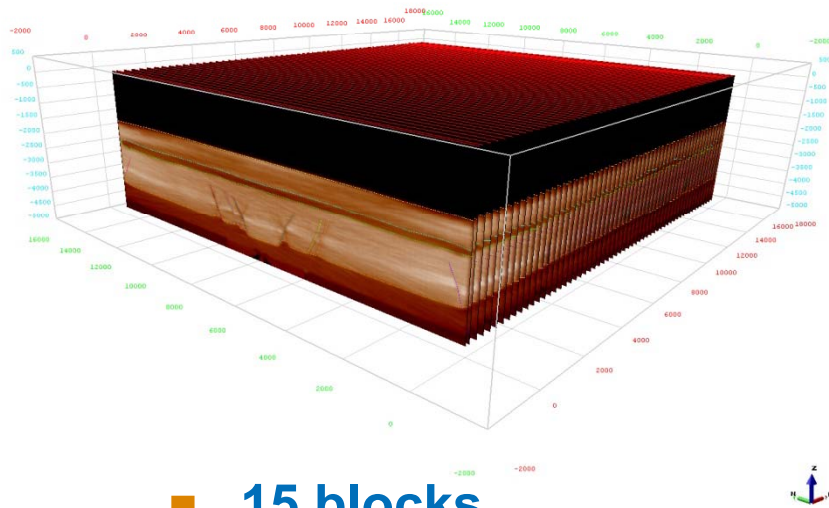
(After Mattioni *et al.* 2007)



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# Data sets

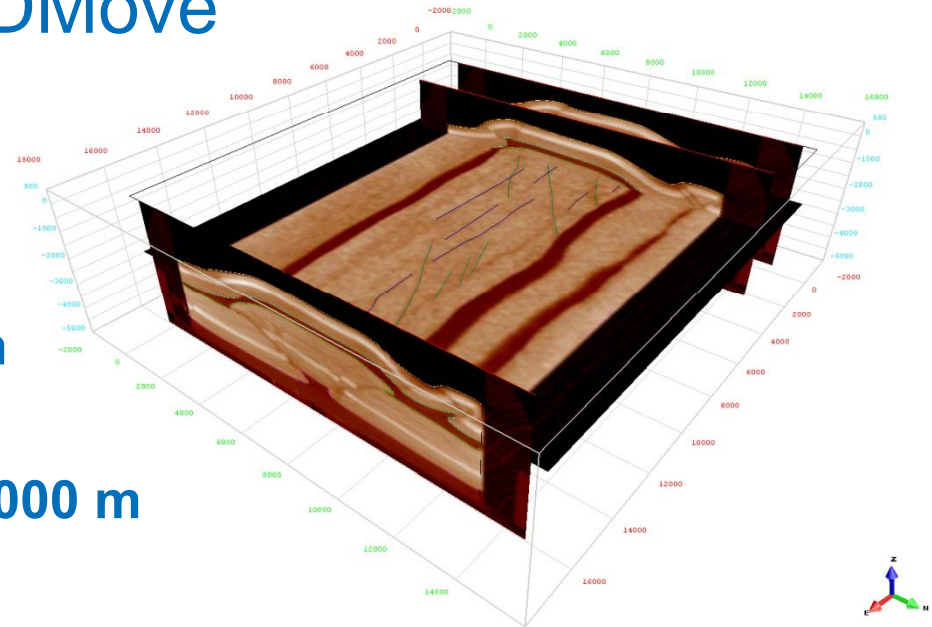


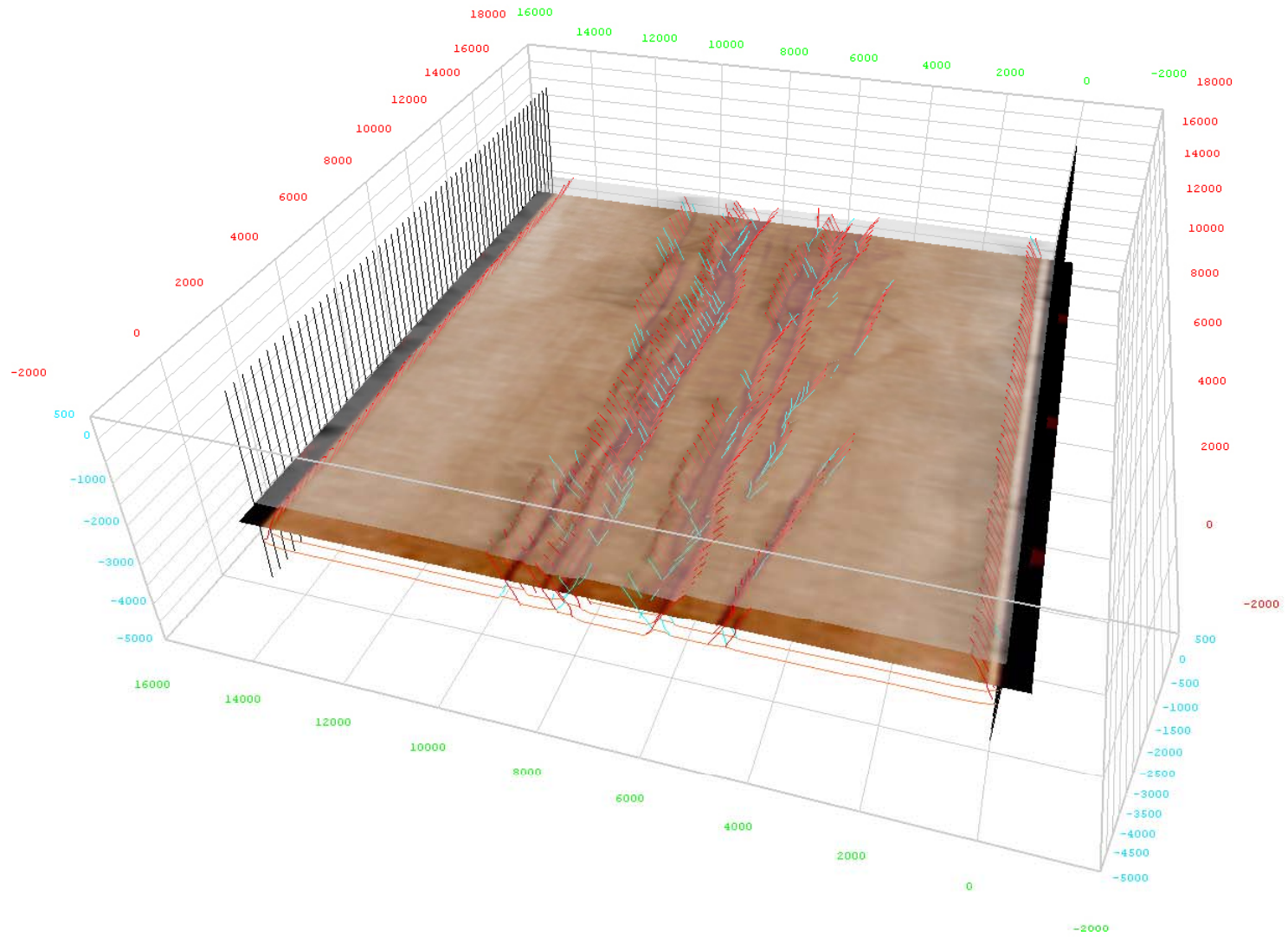
- 15 blocks
  - 01 - 02 → extension phase
  - 02 - 03 → sedimentation
  - 03 - 15 → transpression
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- All blocks digitised D02 + D03-D15

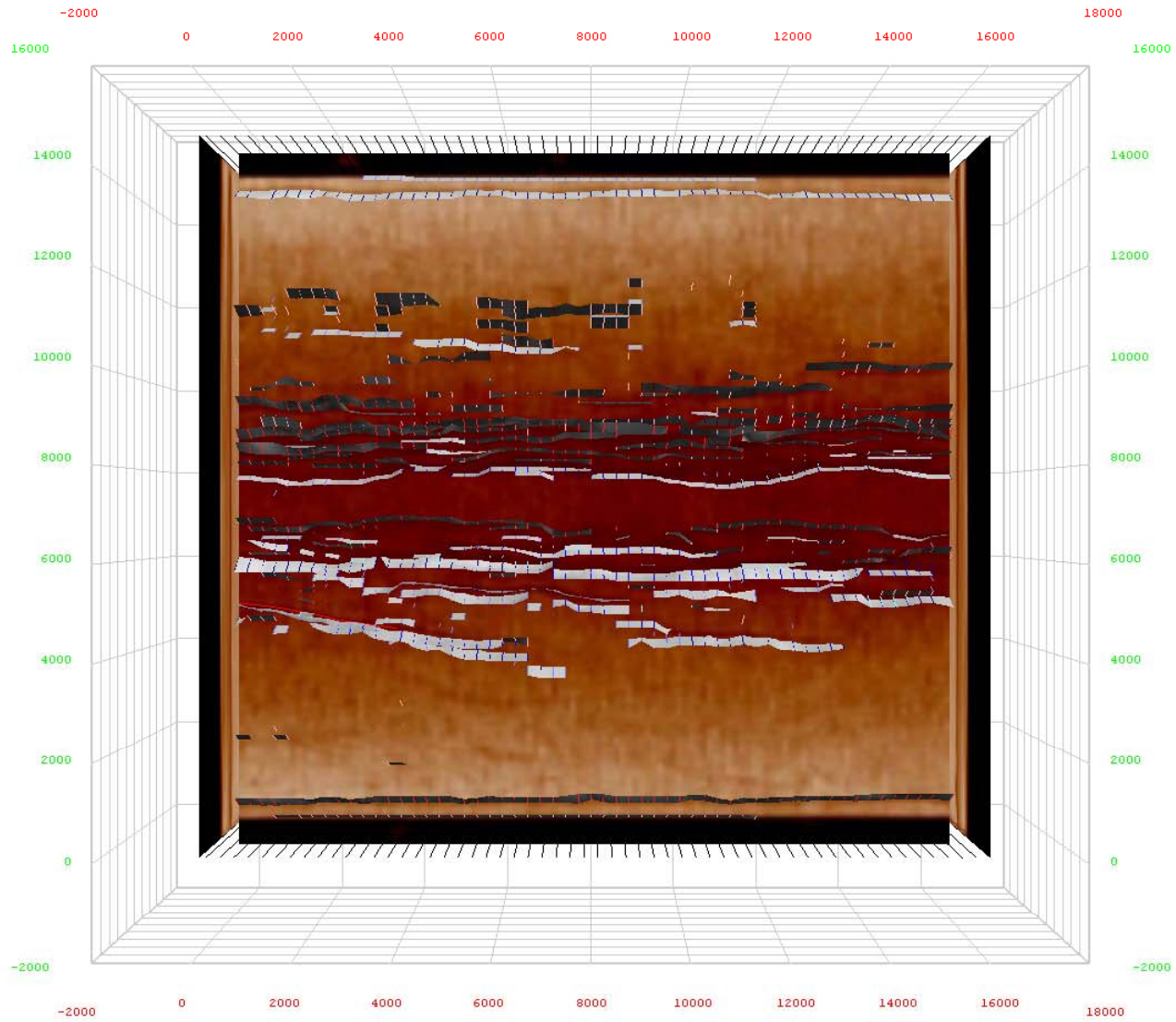
# Building a 3D Model in 3DMove

- Resolution in pixel: 1px = 40m
- Height of overburden: 6cm = 3 000 m
- Dimension of the box
  - 70\*30\*10 cm<sup>3</sup> scaled to 35\*15\*5 km<sup>3</sup>

A Block diagram was built with 57 parallel cross sections given by pixels images from CT X-ray scanner







4DMove - [M1567\_D15\_map\_odd\_W\_TopoNice2Surf.mve: Scenario 1 : View 1]

File Edit View Analysis Tools Window Help

Colormap Tool

Property to Colormap: elevation

Min: -1662.66  
Max: -508.424  
Value: [ ]

Apply Clear

Examiner

Model Browser 4DRestore

4DRestore WorkFlow

- Introduction
- Restoration Parameter Set Up
  - Manage Scenarios
  - Scenario 1
    - Select Inputs and Targets
    - Select Algorithm
    - Define Constraints
  - Review Scenarios

Scenario Configuration

Scenario 1

Define the constraints

Fault Blocks

Pinning

Points  Lines  Faces

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Set Clear All

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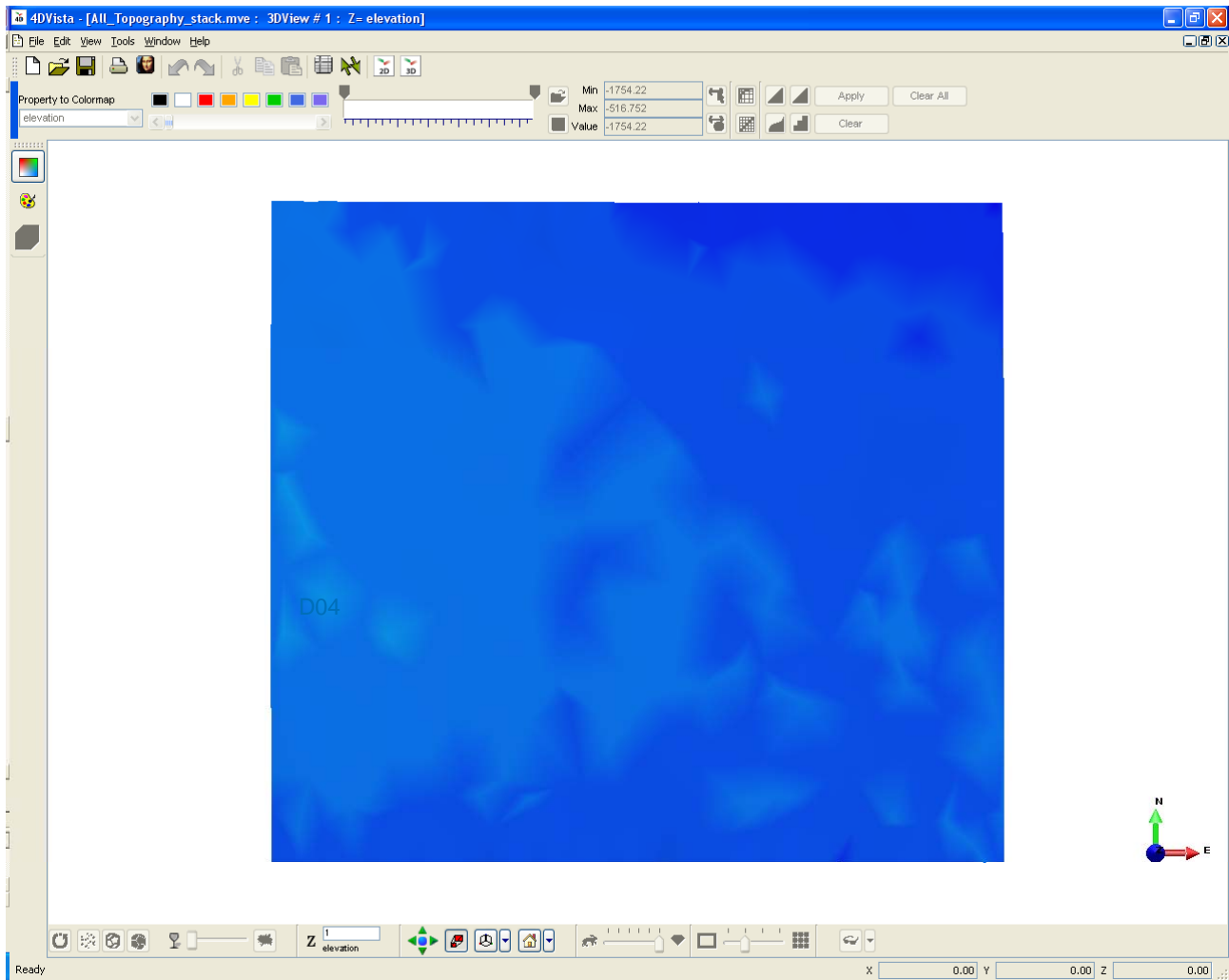
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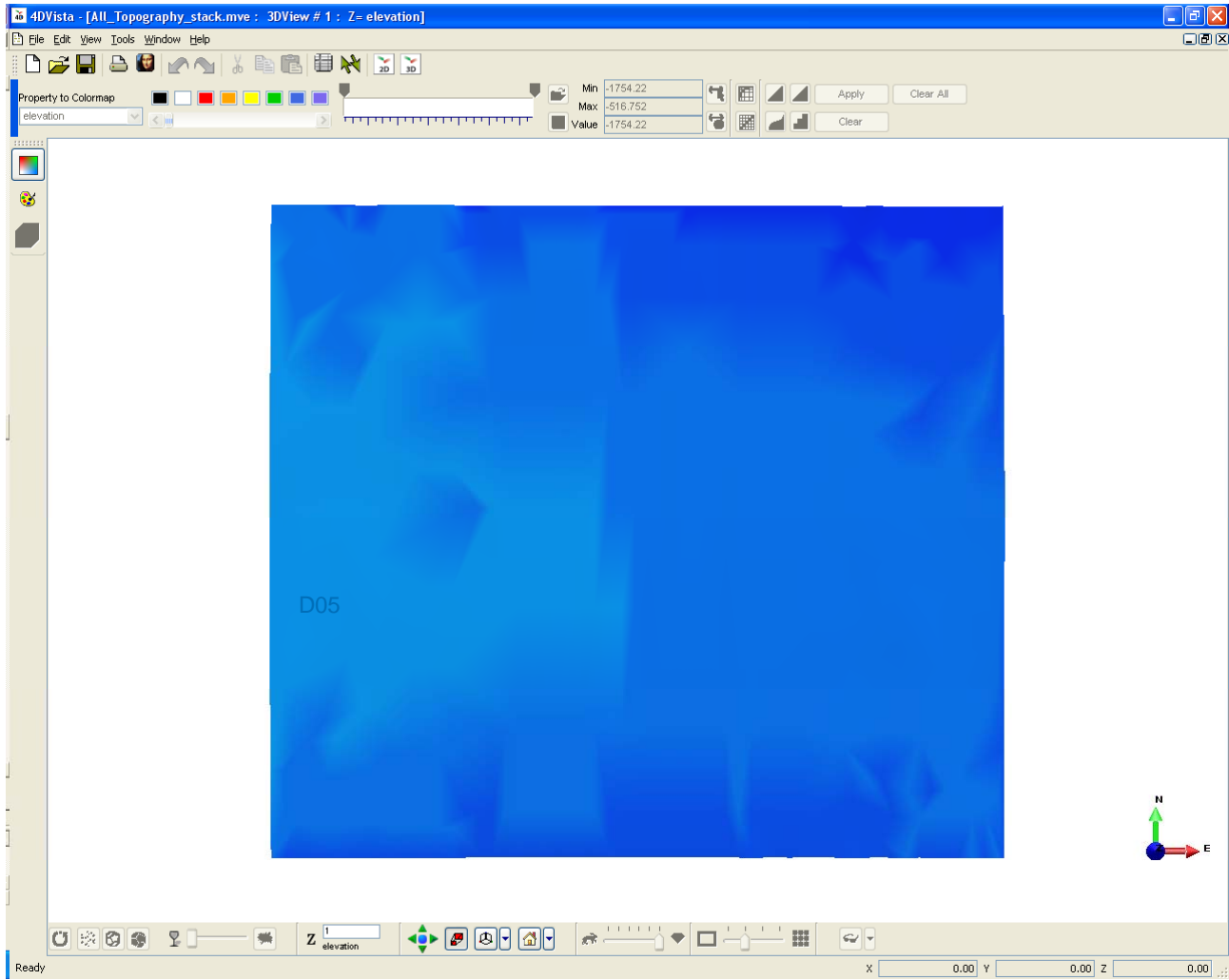
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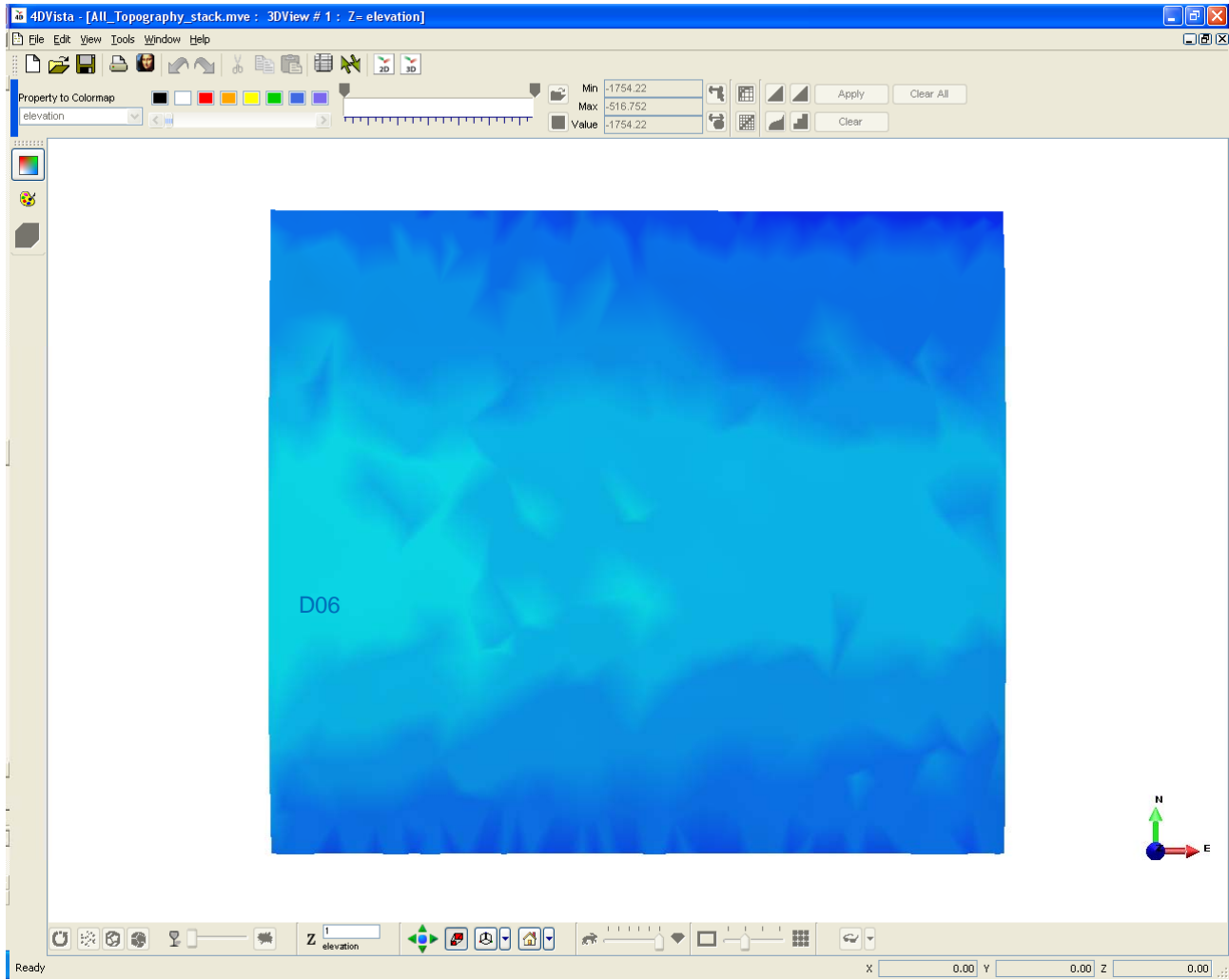
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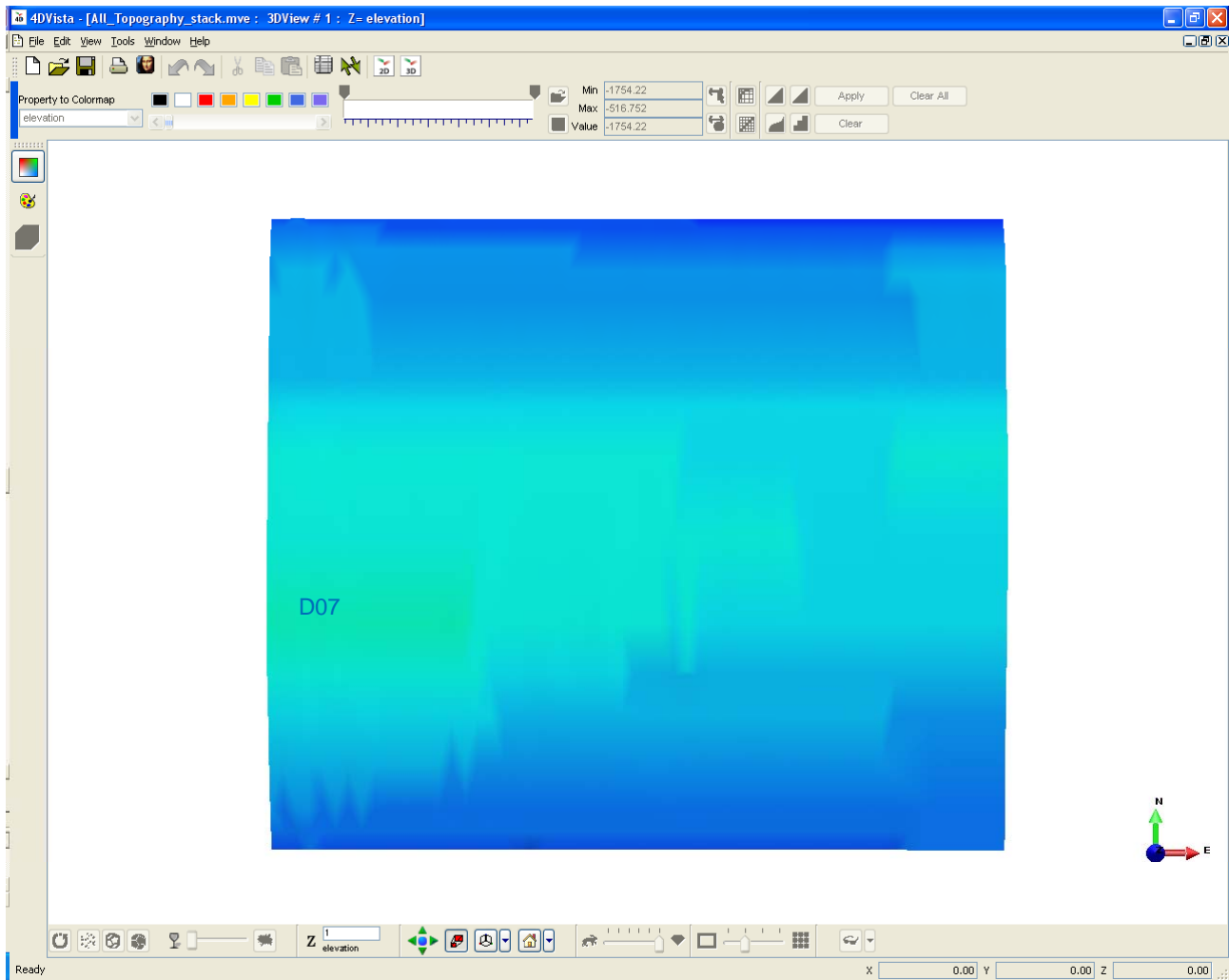
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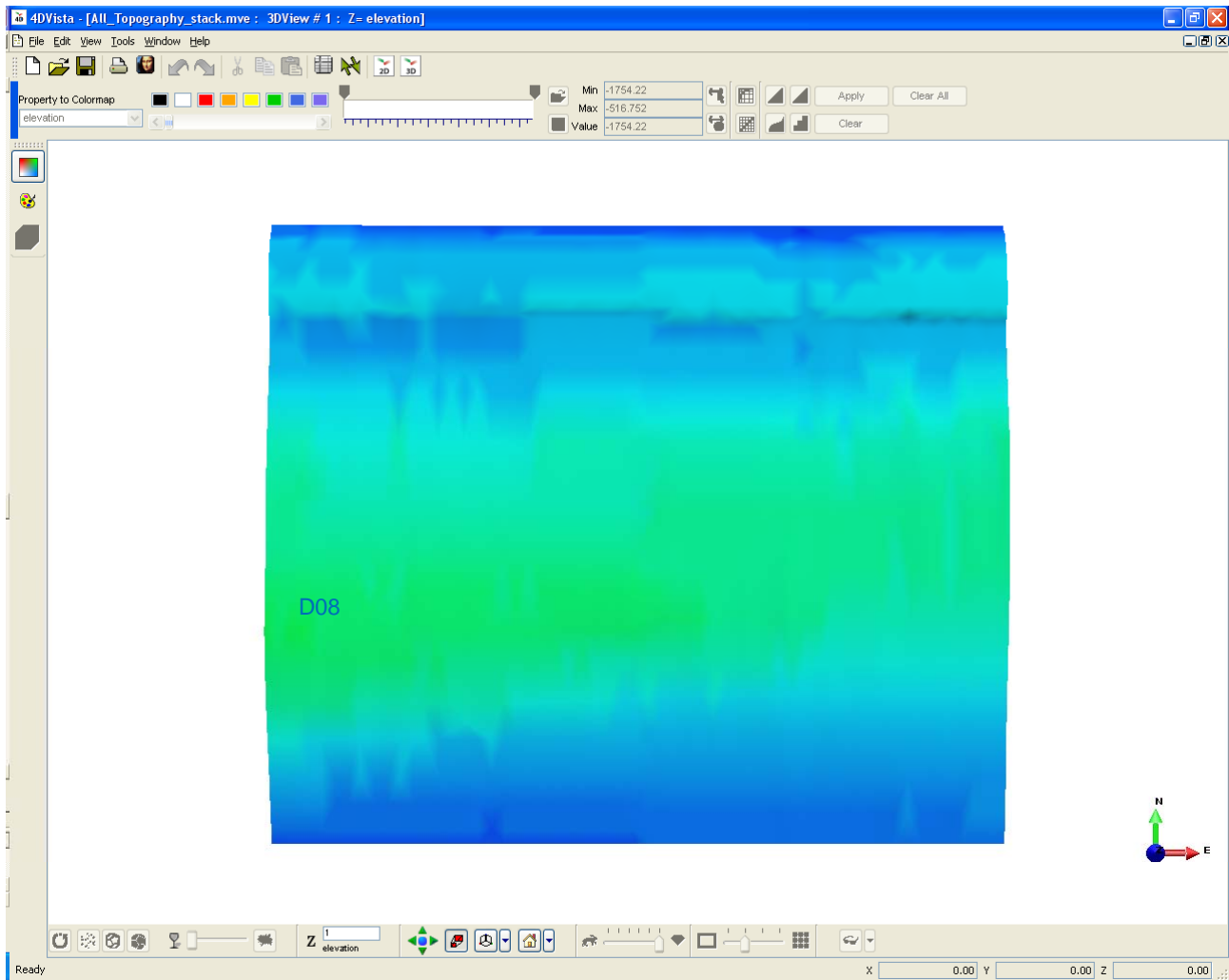


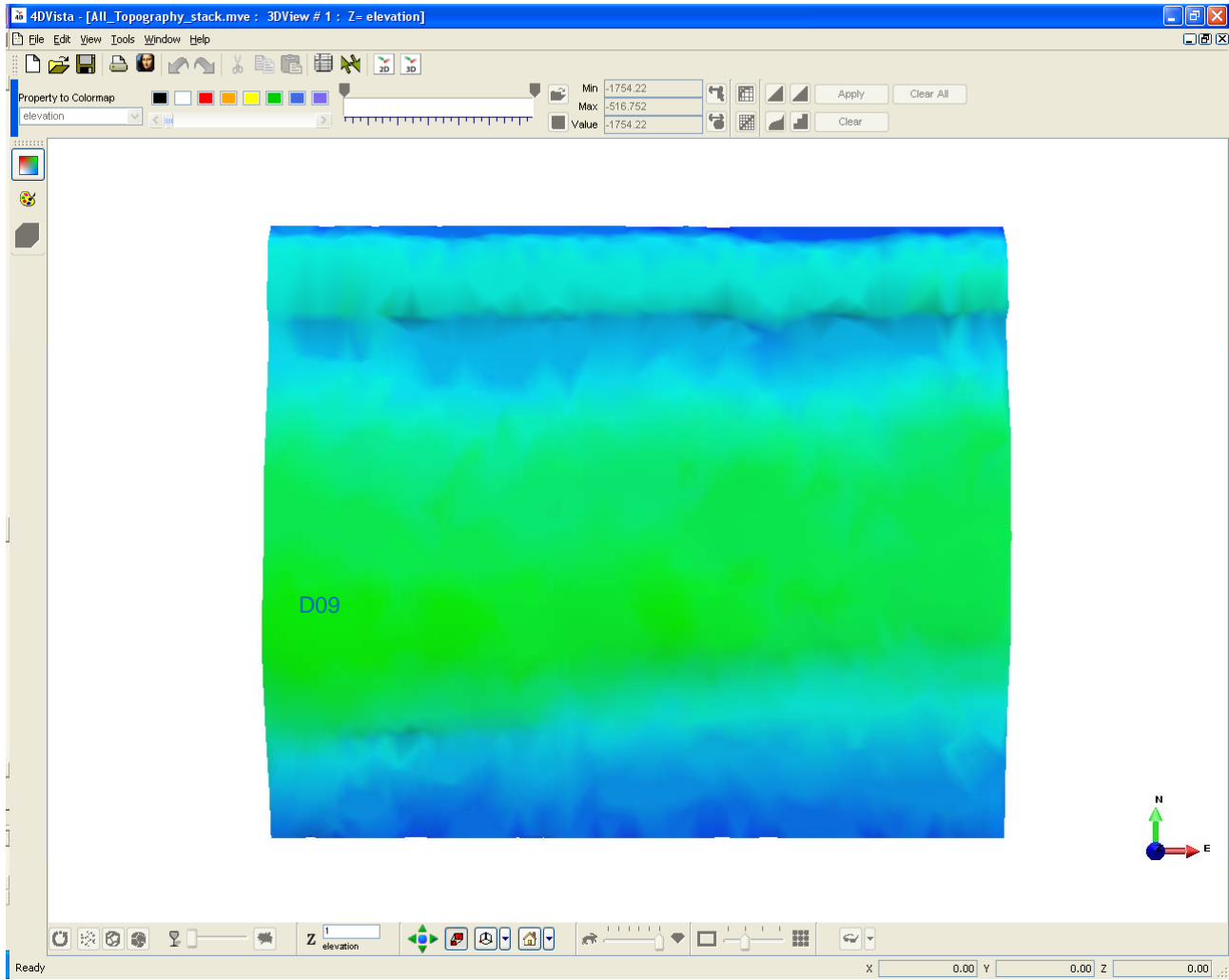


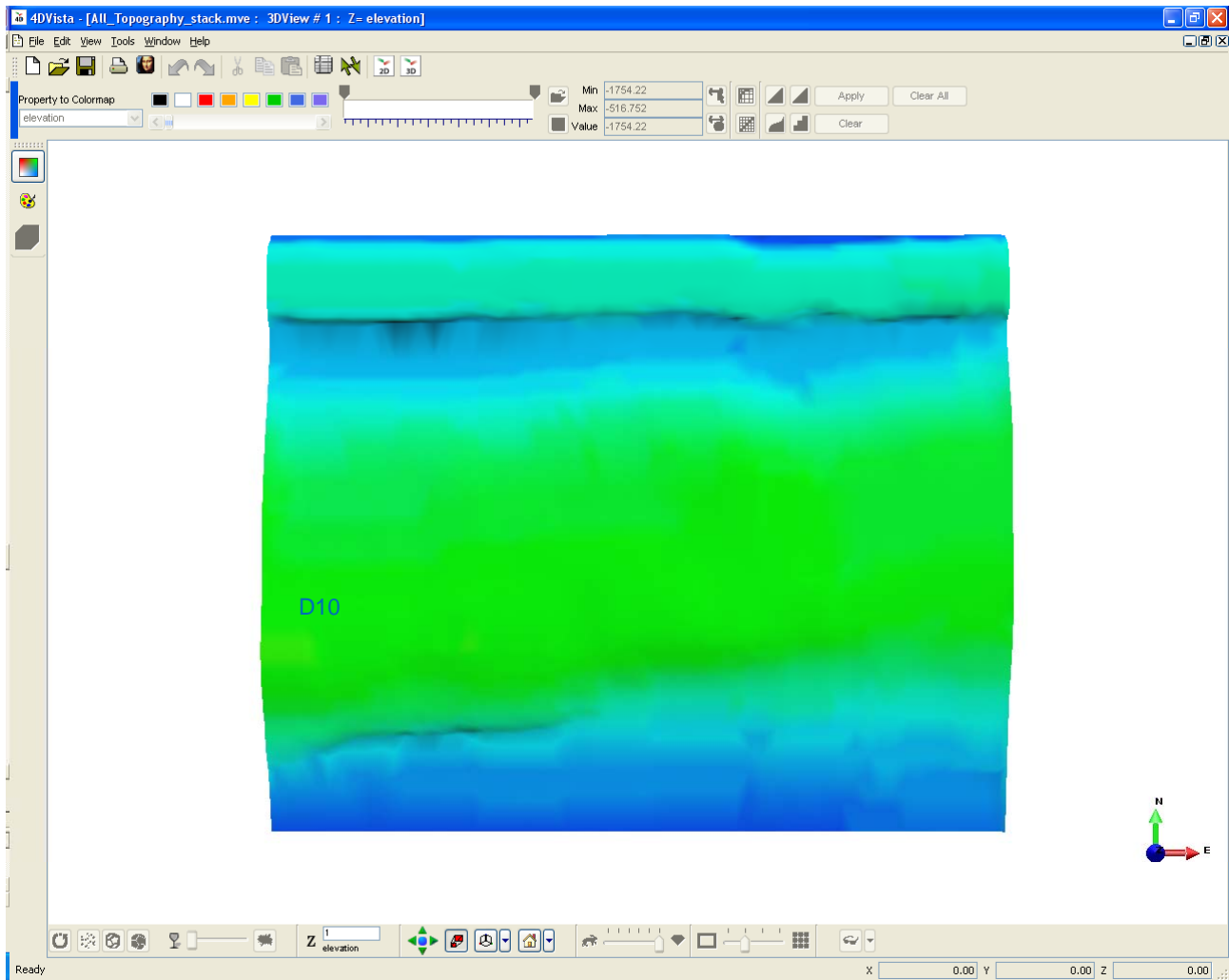


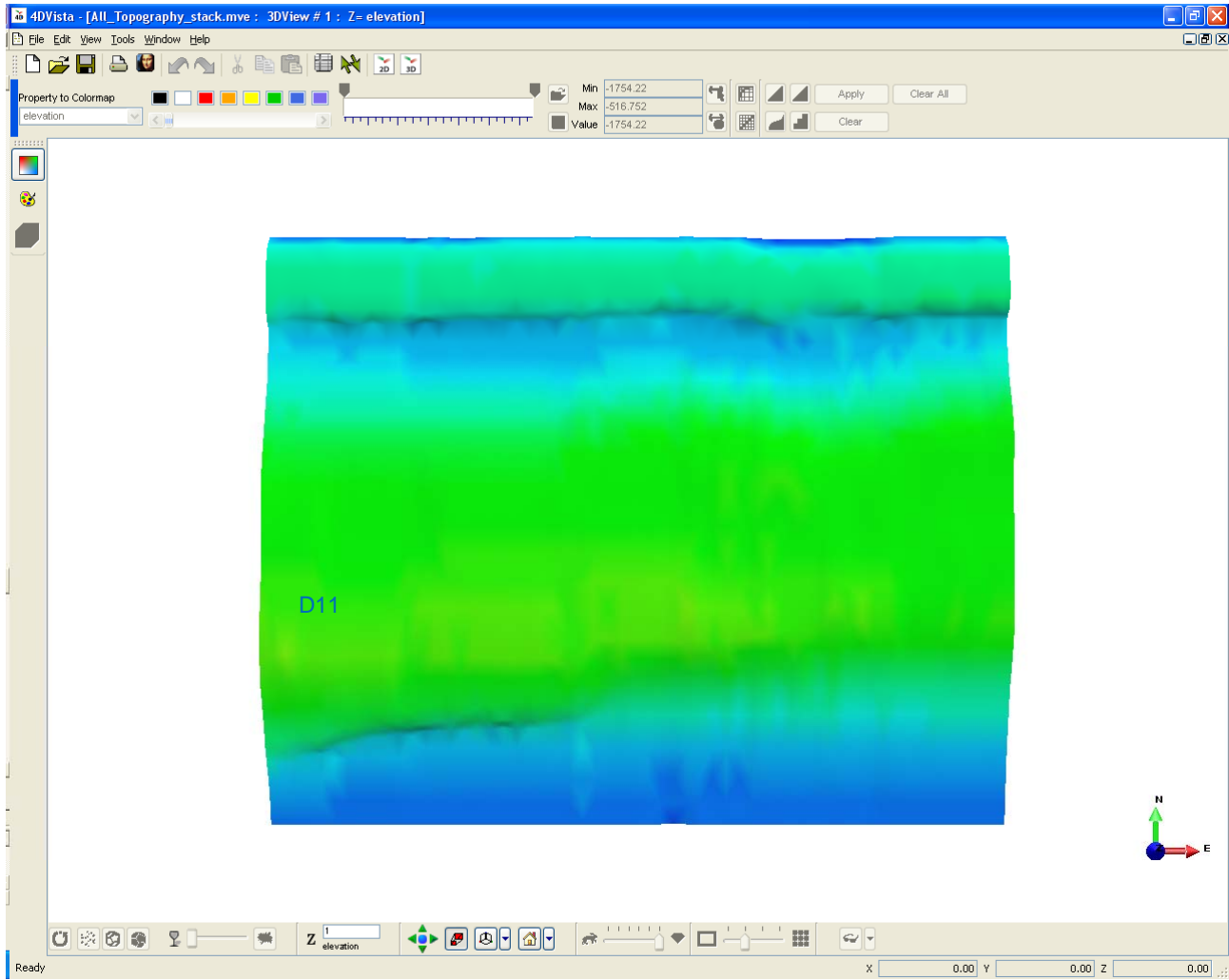


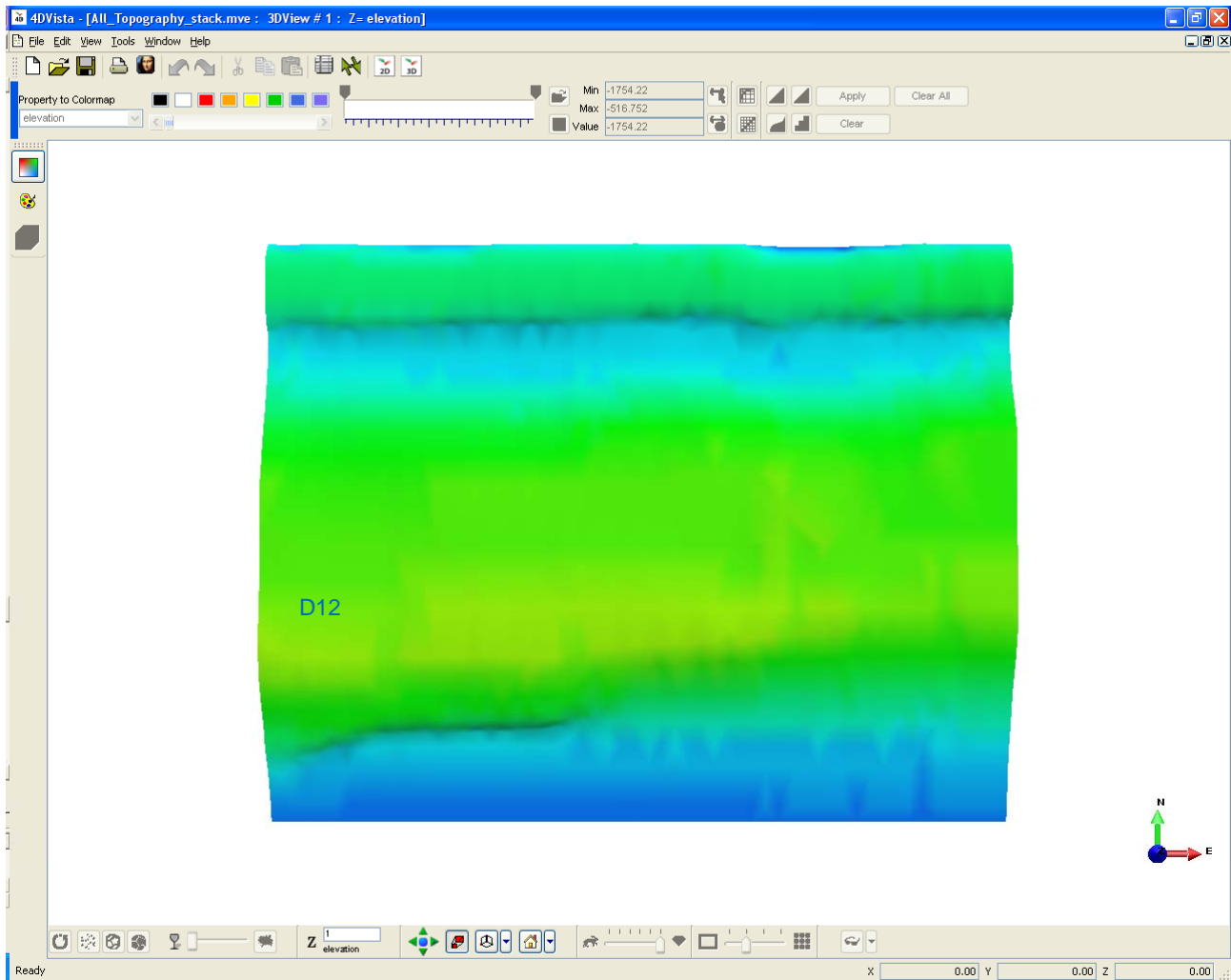


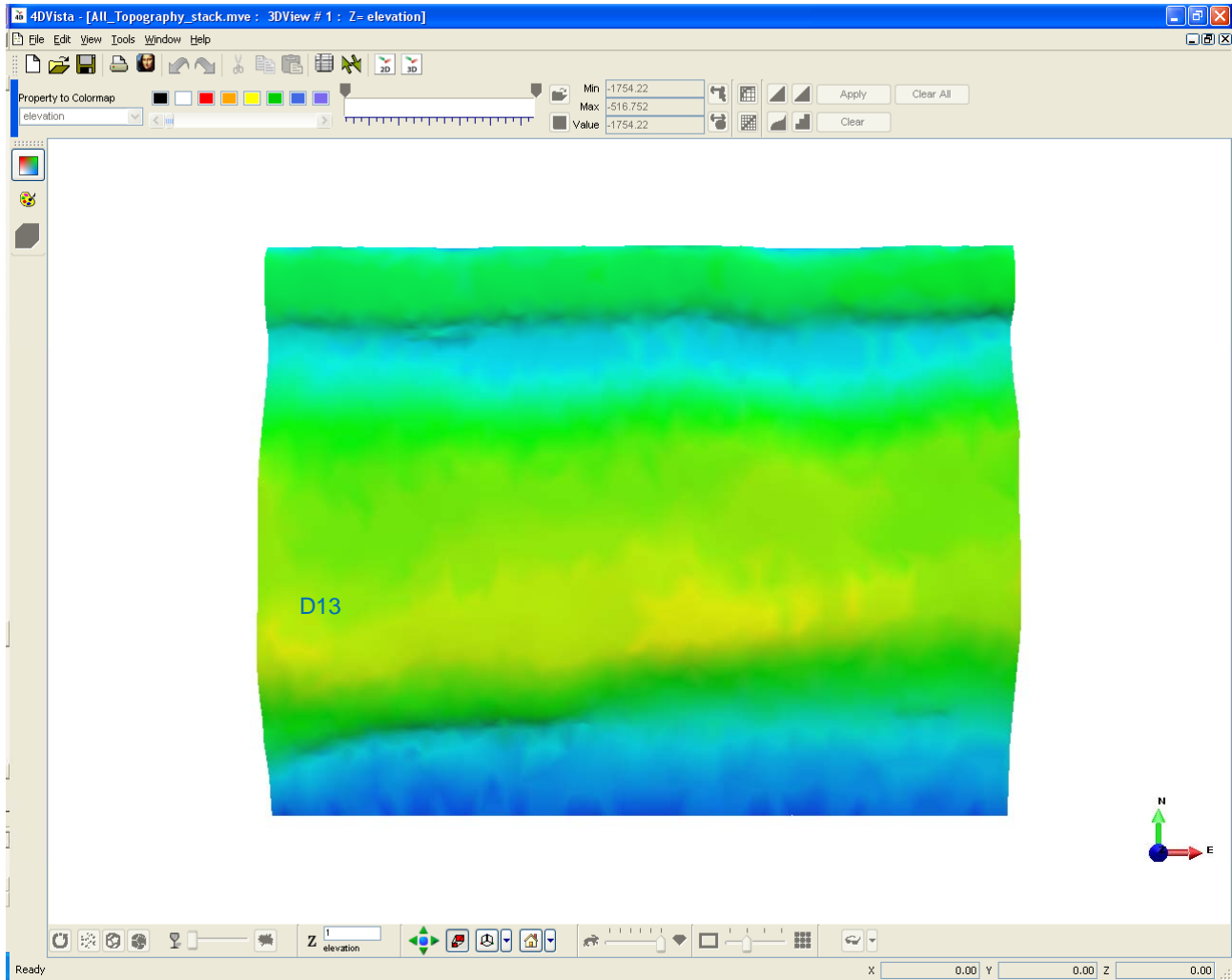




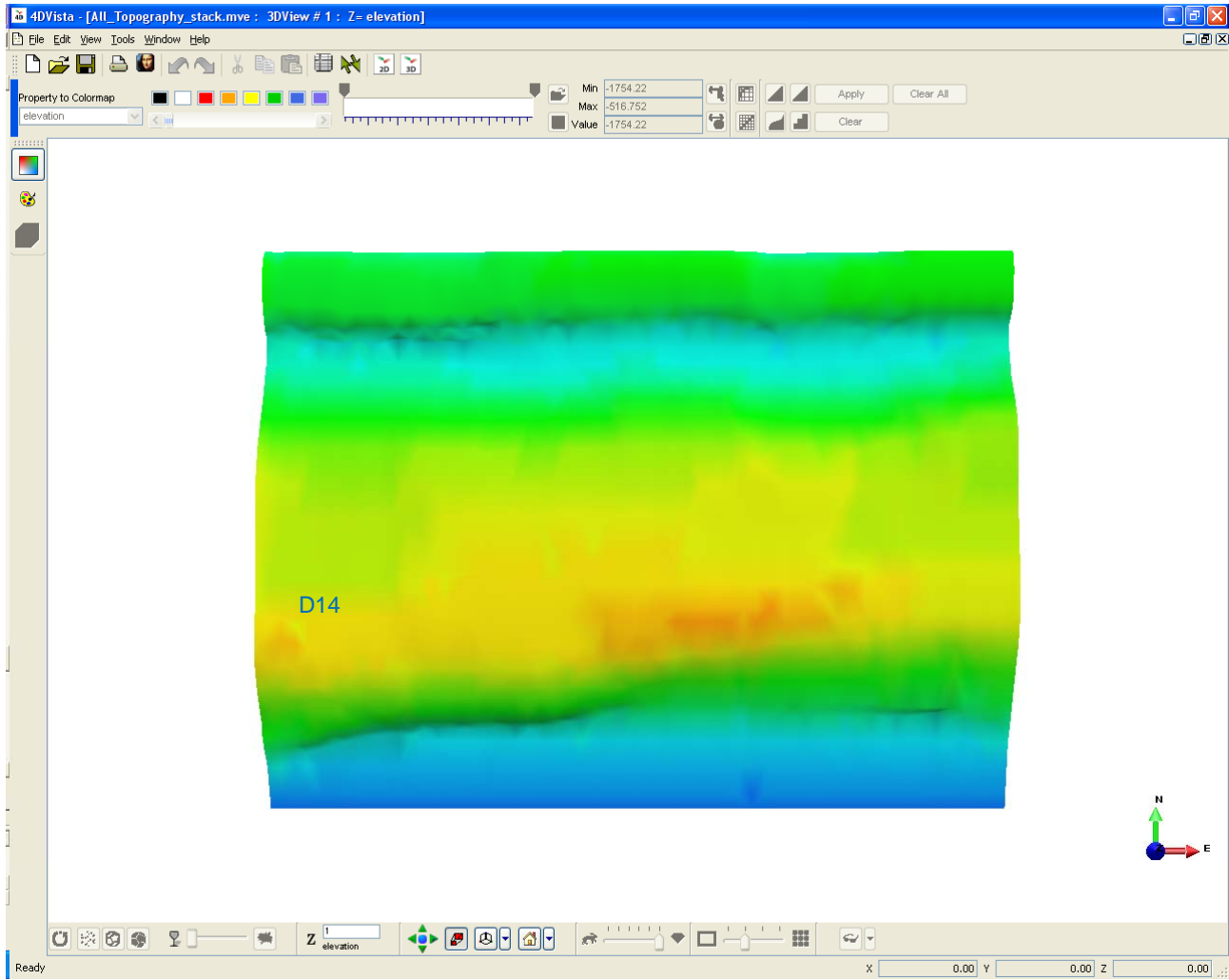


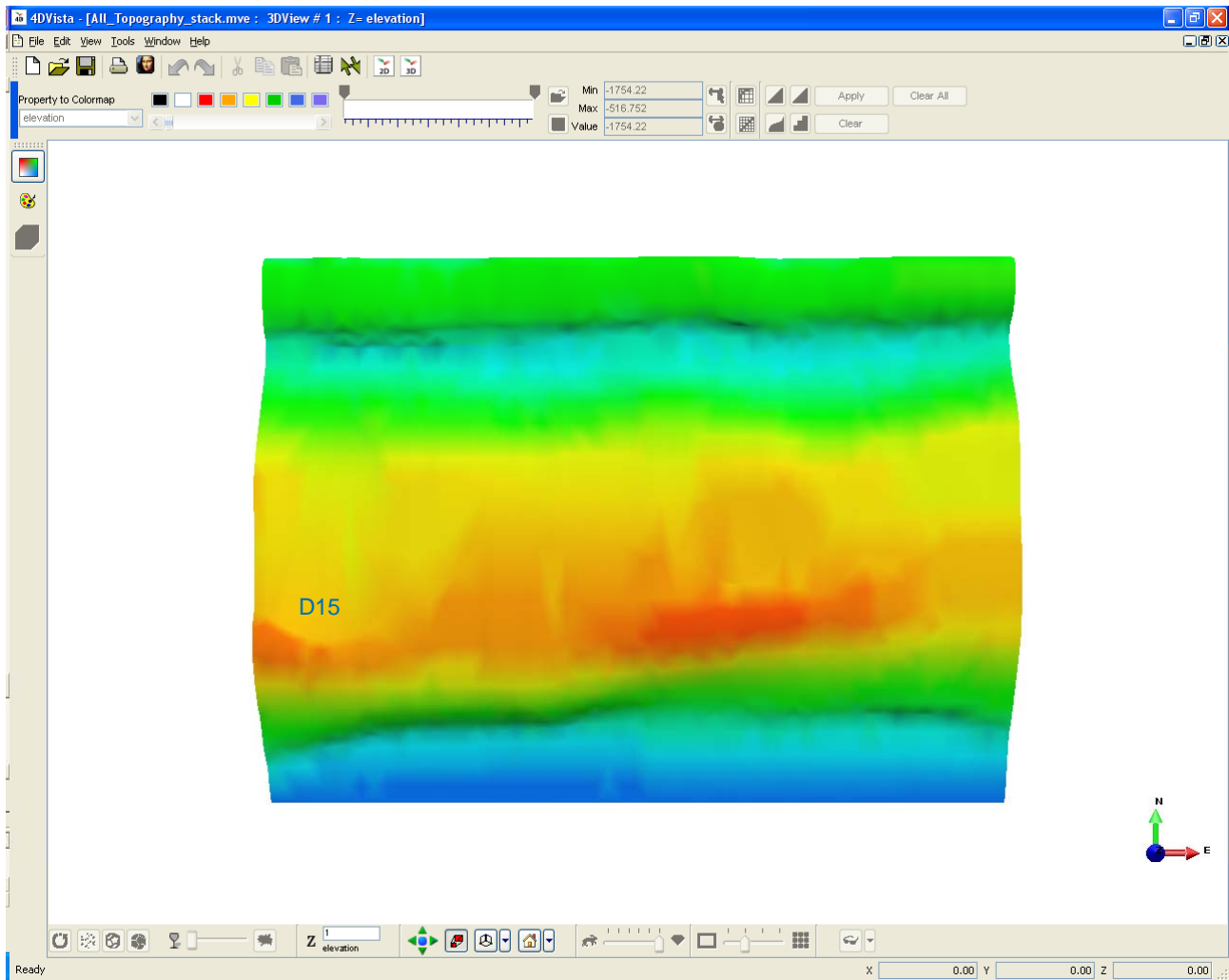




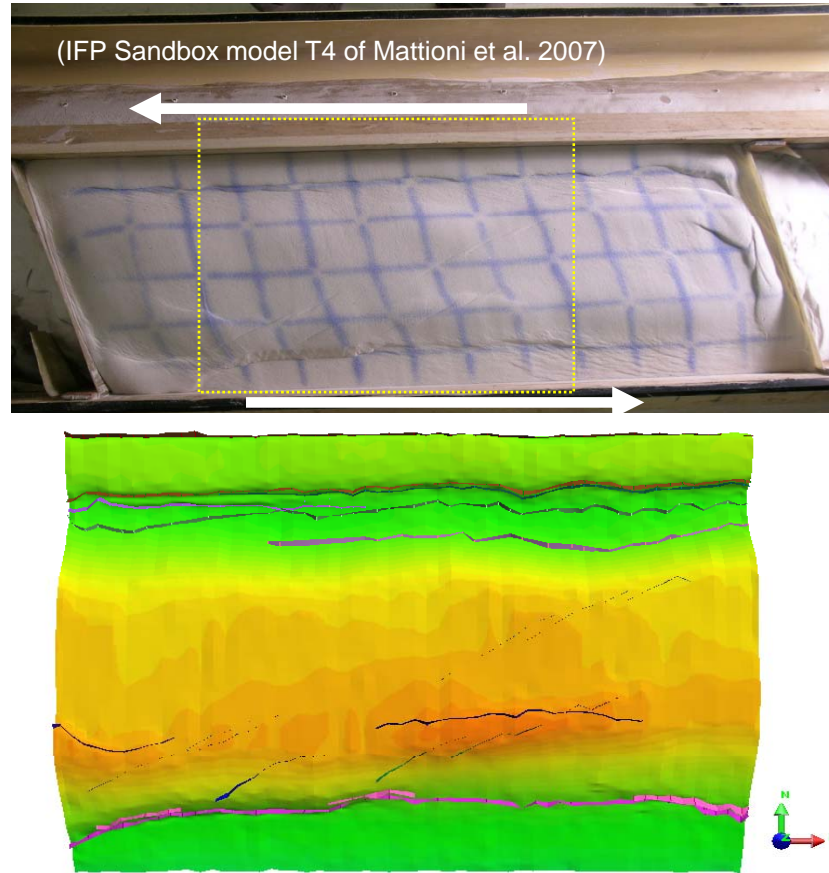


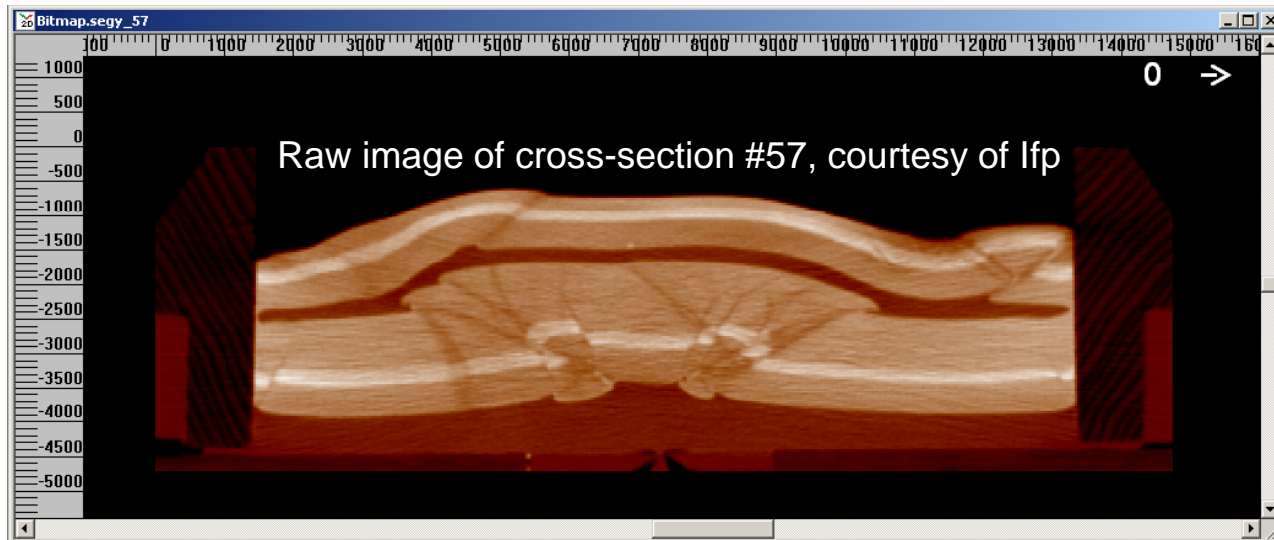
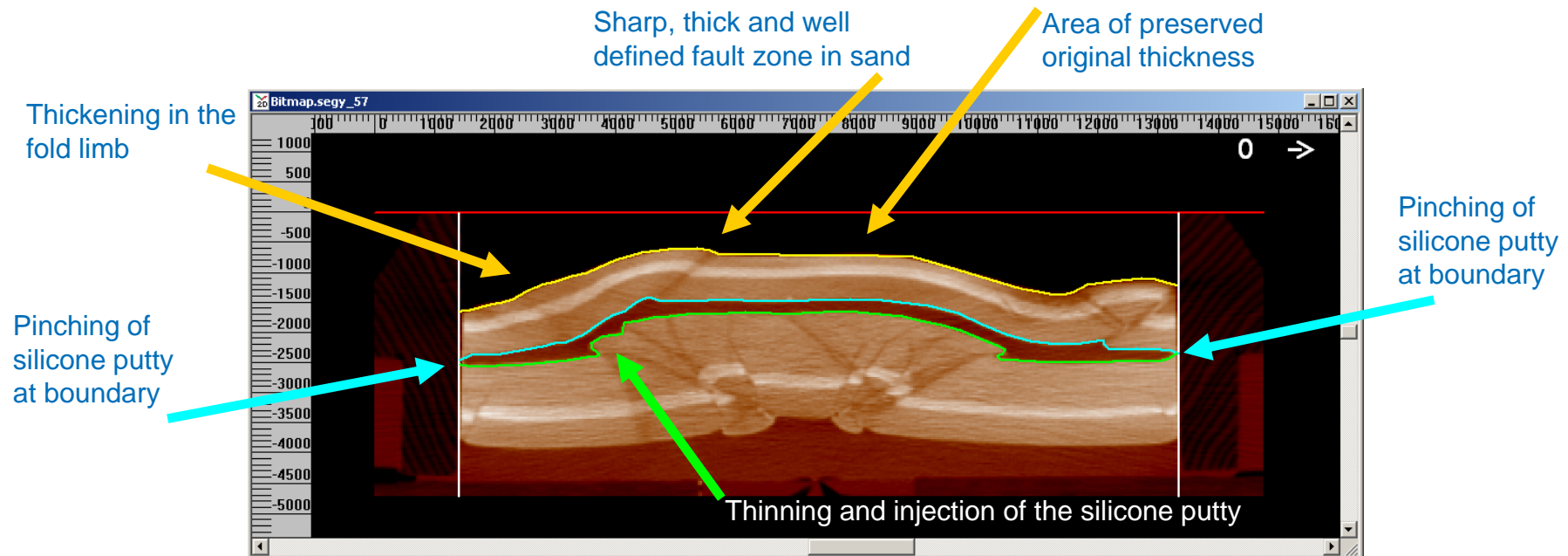


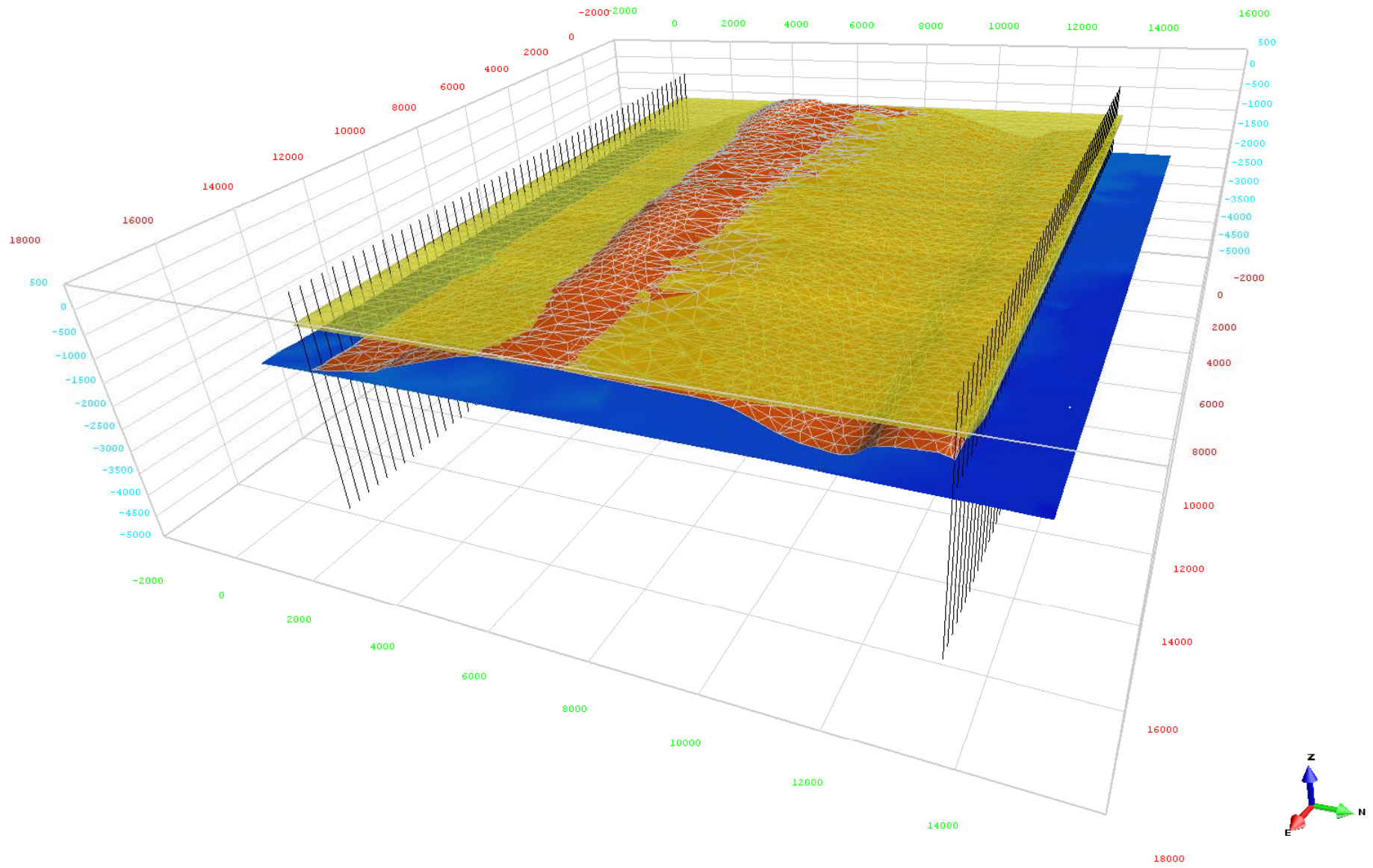


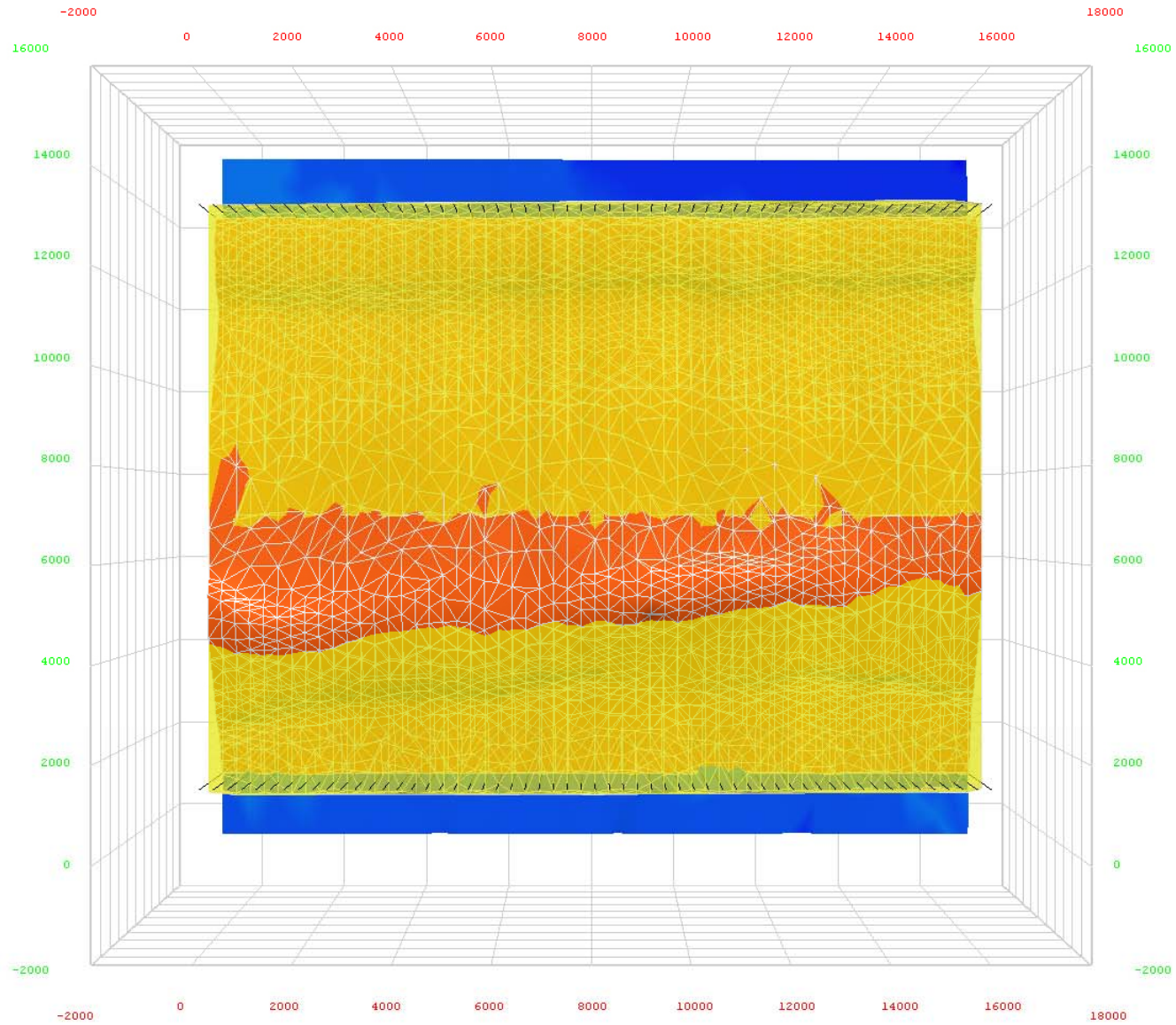


## A sandbox experiment of force folding by graben inversion





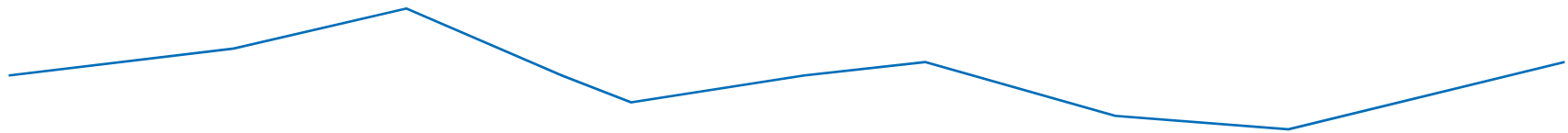




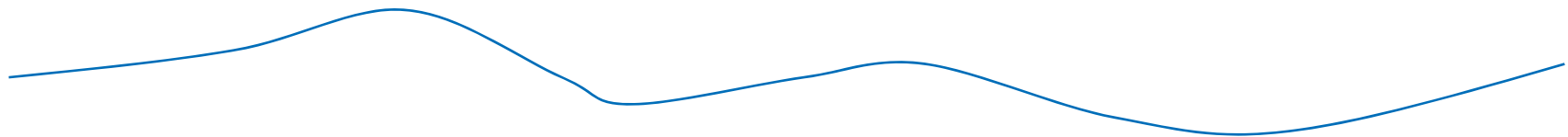
# Working with surfaces

- Information recorded is poor just the total area, the dip and the curvature
- Correlation between top and bottom surfaces of strata can help to characterise volumetric strain
- At the moment: double Z surfaces are not meshable and therefore restorable: a technique is needed to palliate this limitation

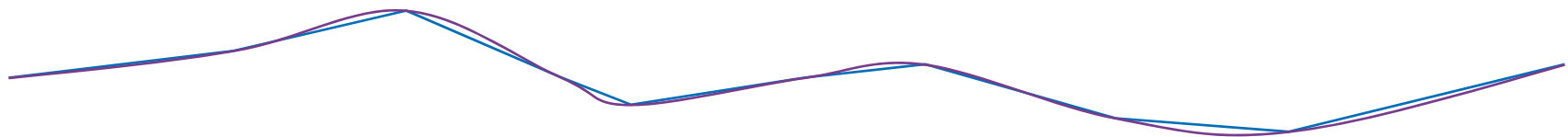
Line represented by straight segments



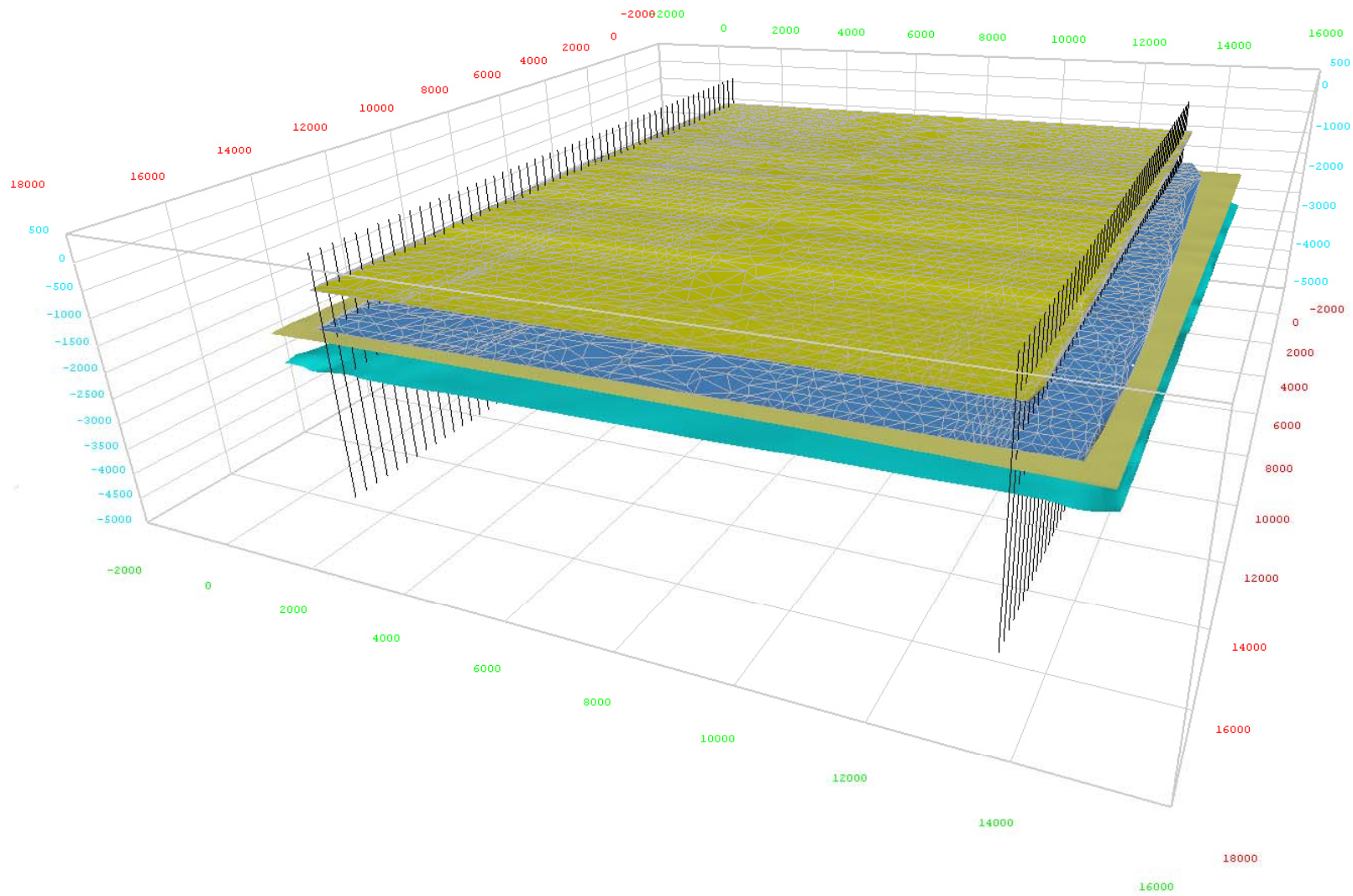
Line represented with spline interpolation



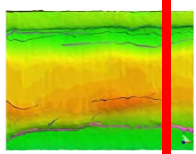
Difference between these two lines:



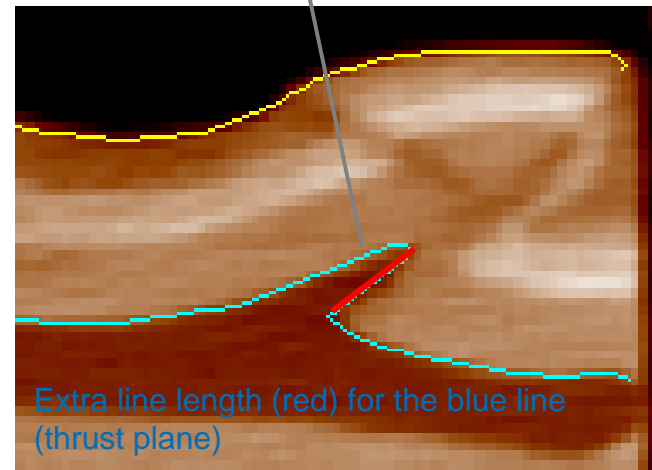
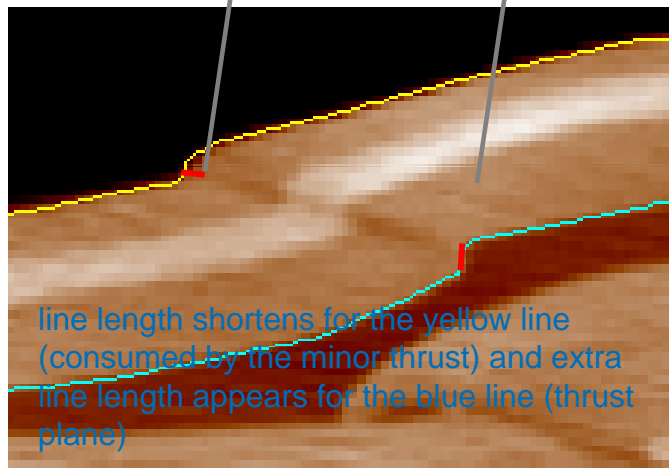
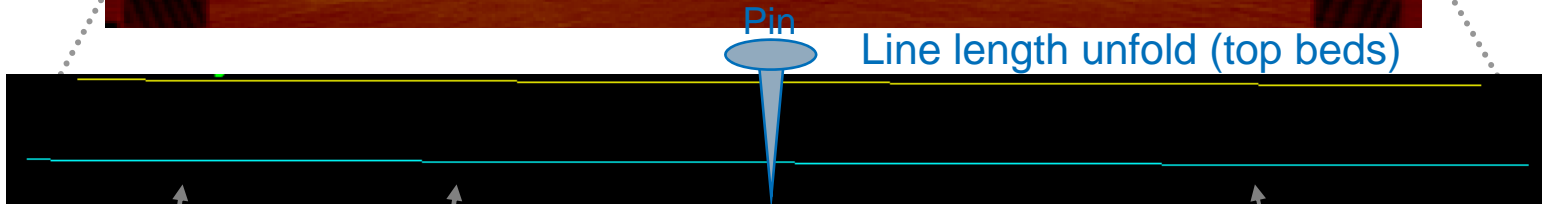
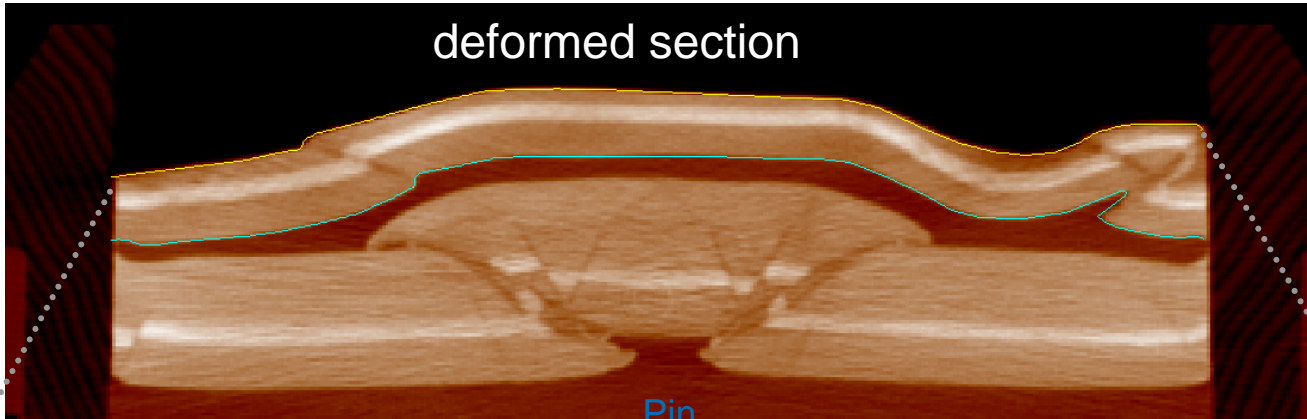


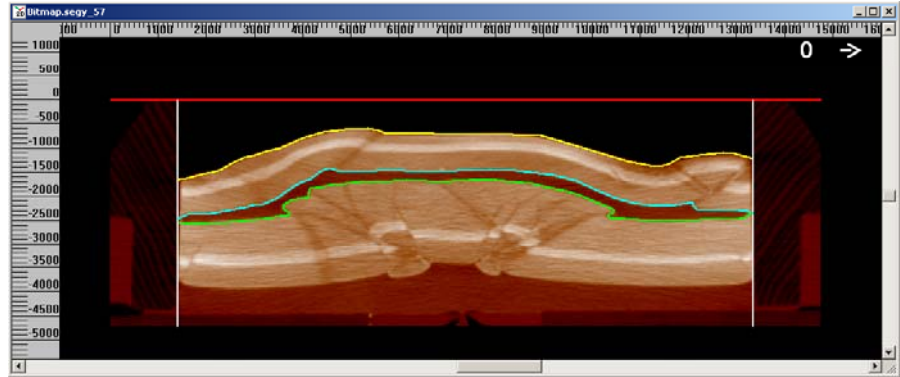


# Line length unfold (top beds)



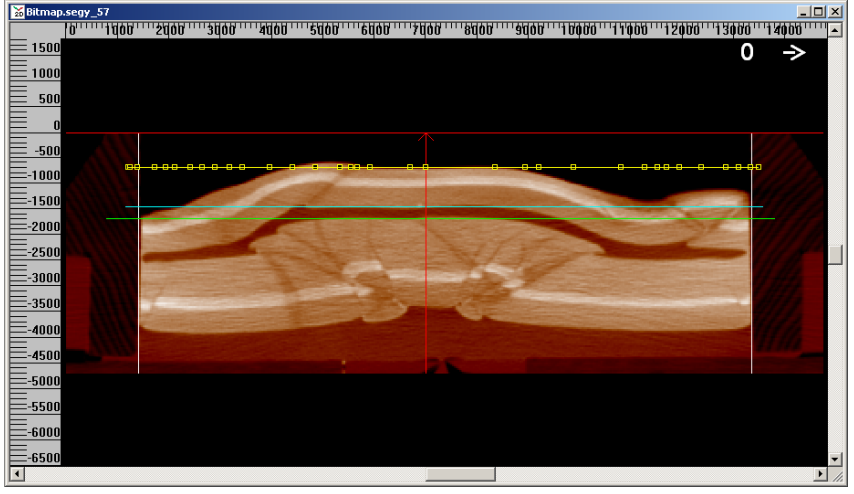
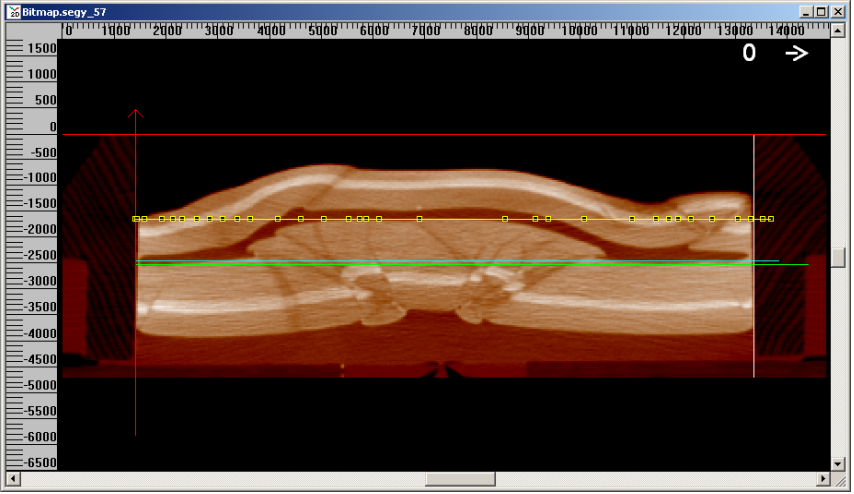
Location of the section in the sandbox model

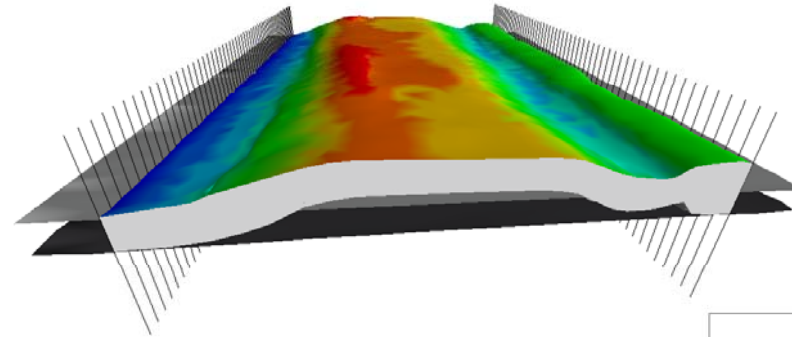




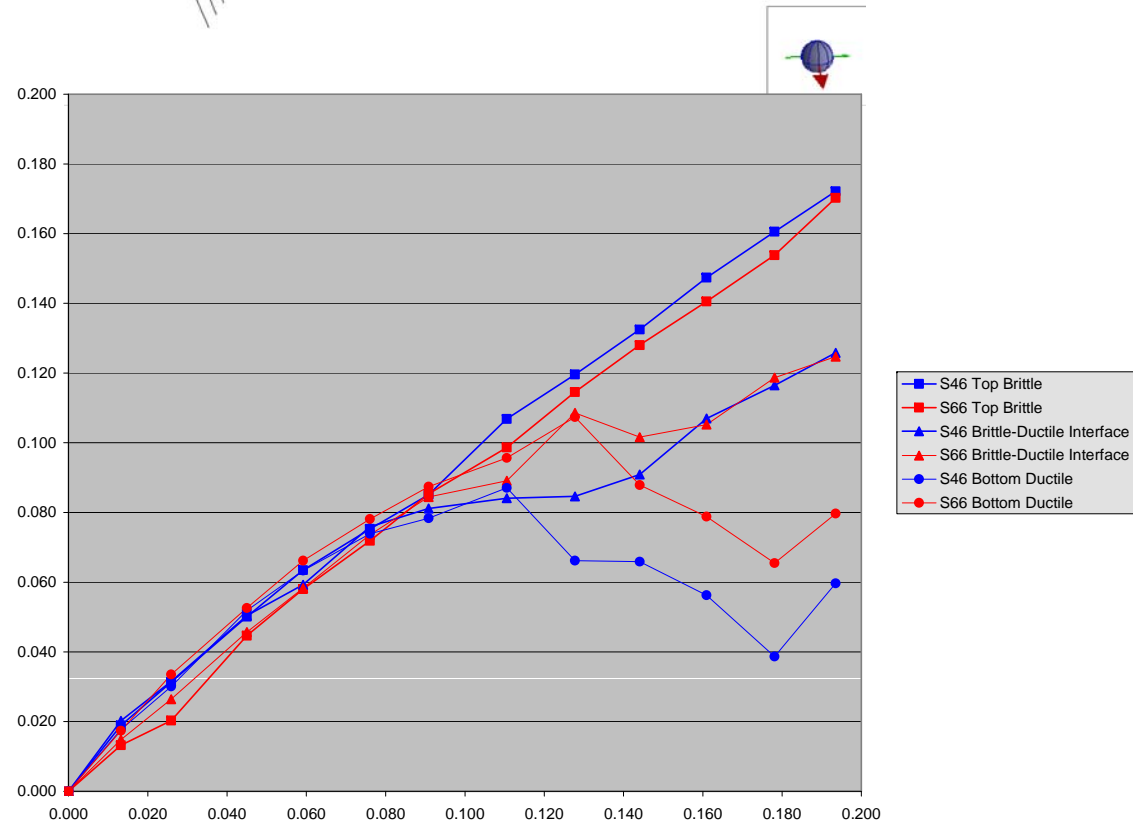
A. Pin line at southern edge

B. Pin line in the Middle of the box



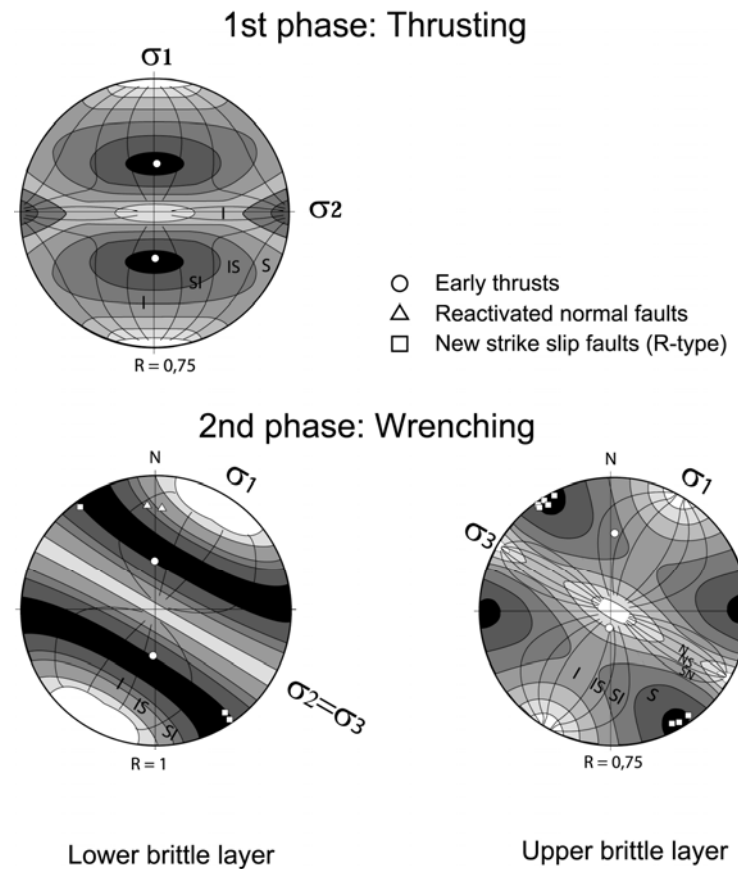
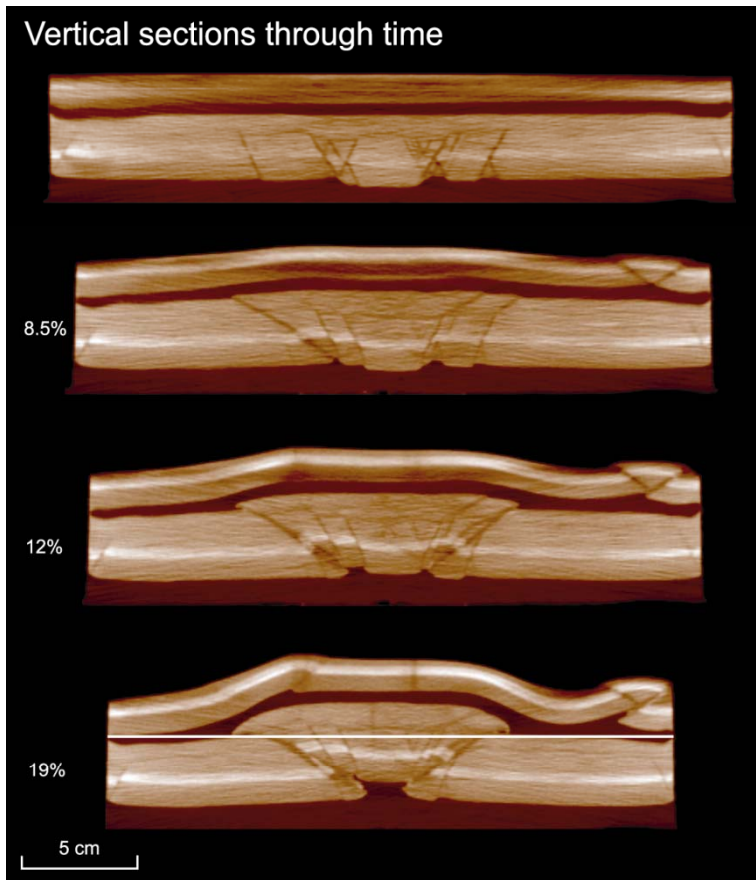


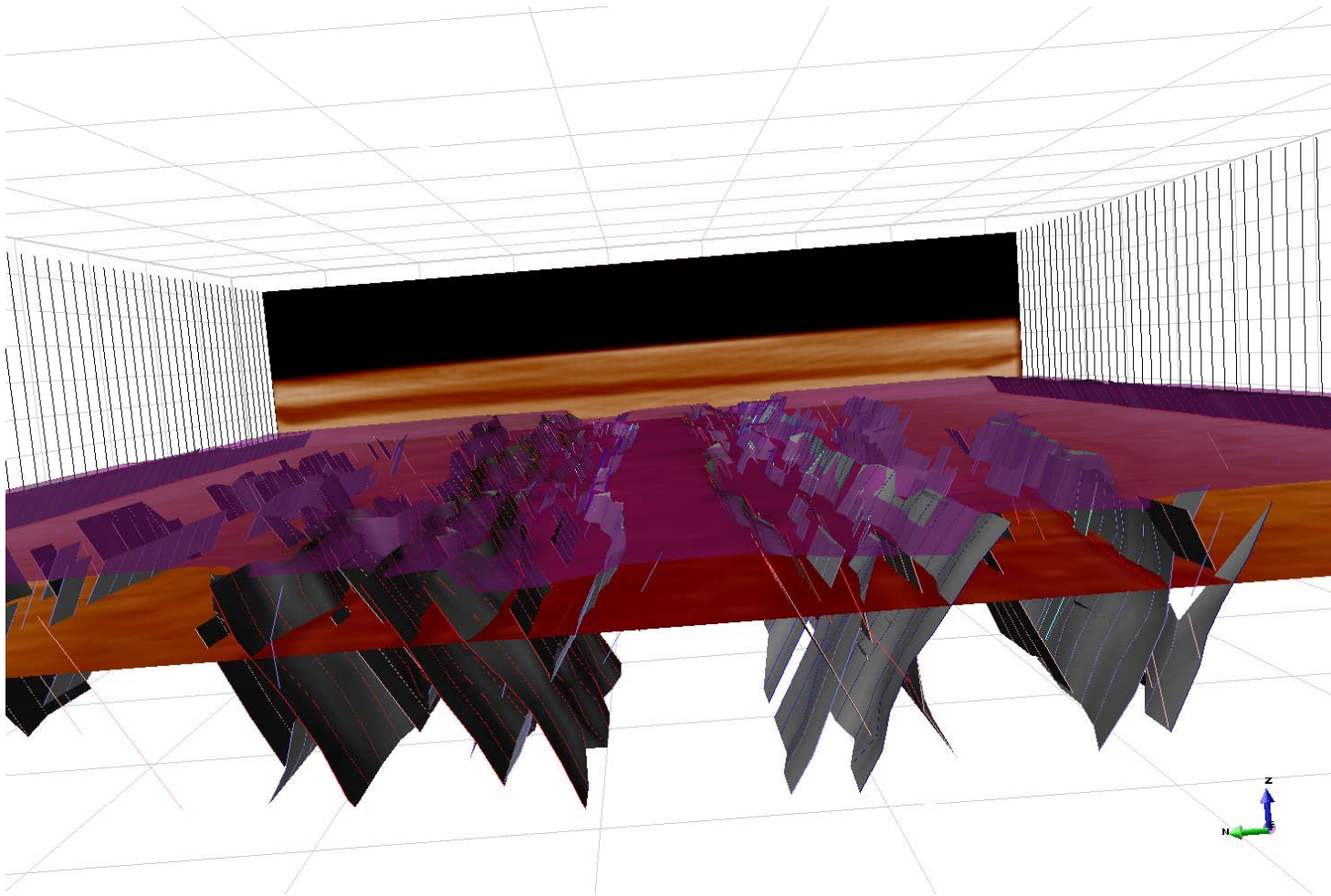
Section strain (in %) as line length variation



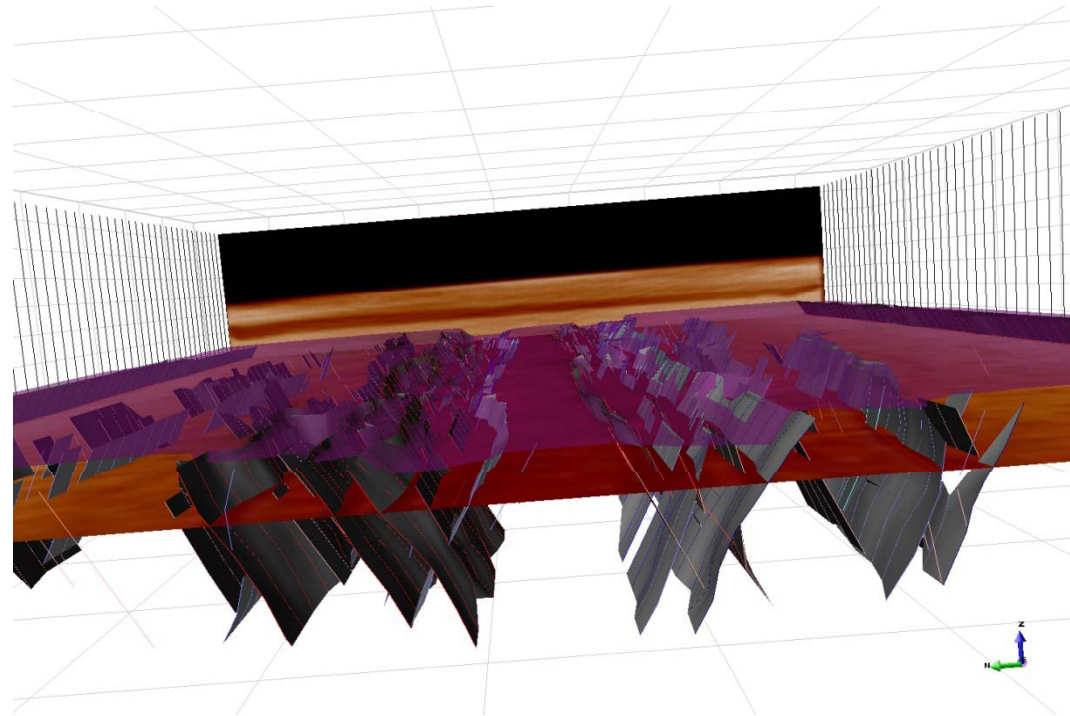
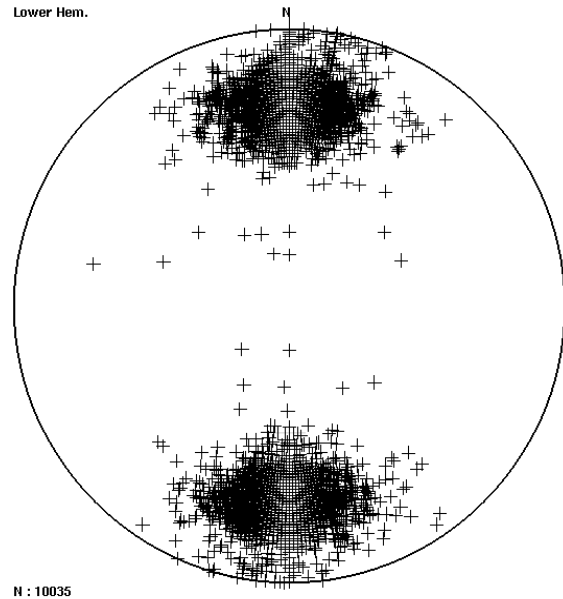
Strain (in %) as shortening between Sandbox EW walls

# Experiment T4: Extension + Transpression ( $V_{ss}=3\text{cm/h}$ )





# Step D2

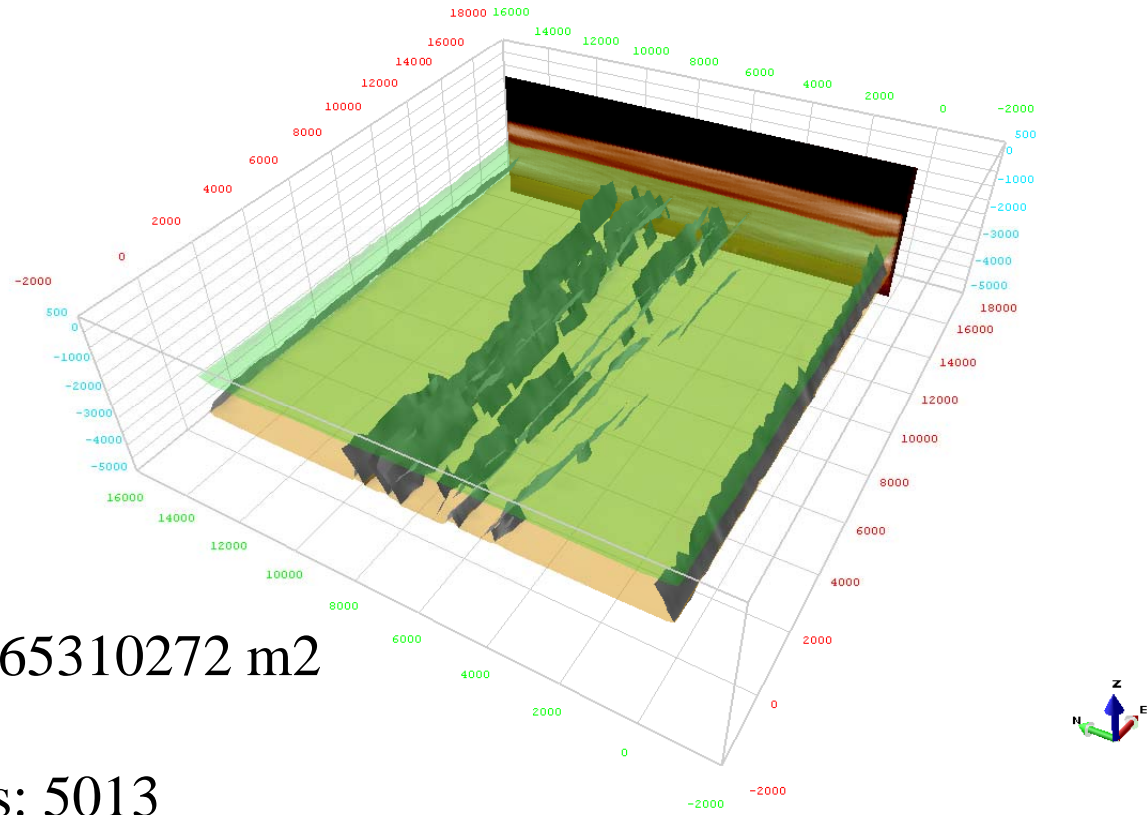
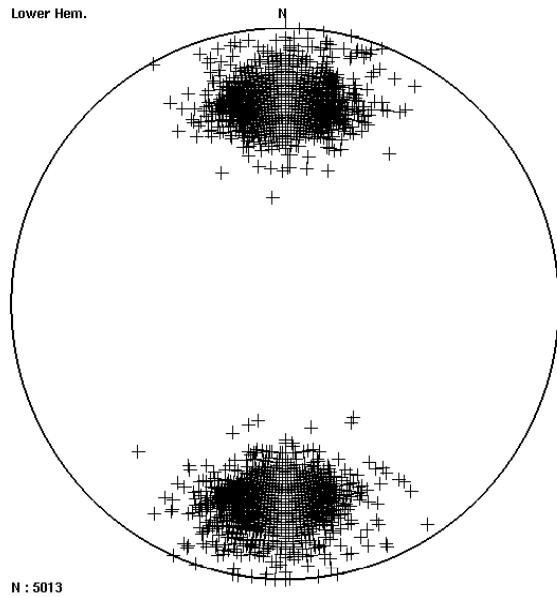


total fault surface area: 321178080 m<sup>2</sup>

number of faults: 227

number of mesh triangles: 10035

# Step D4



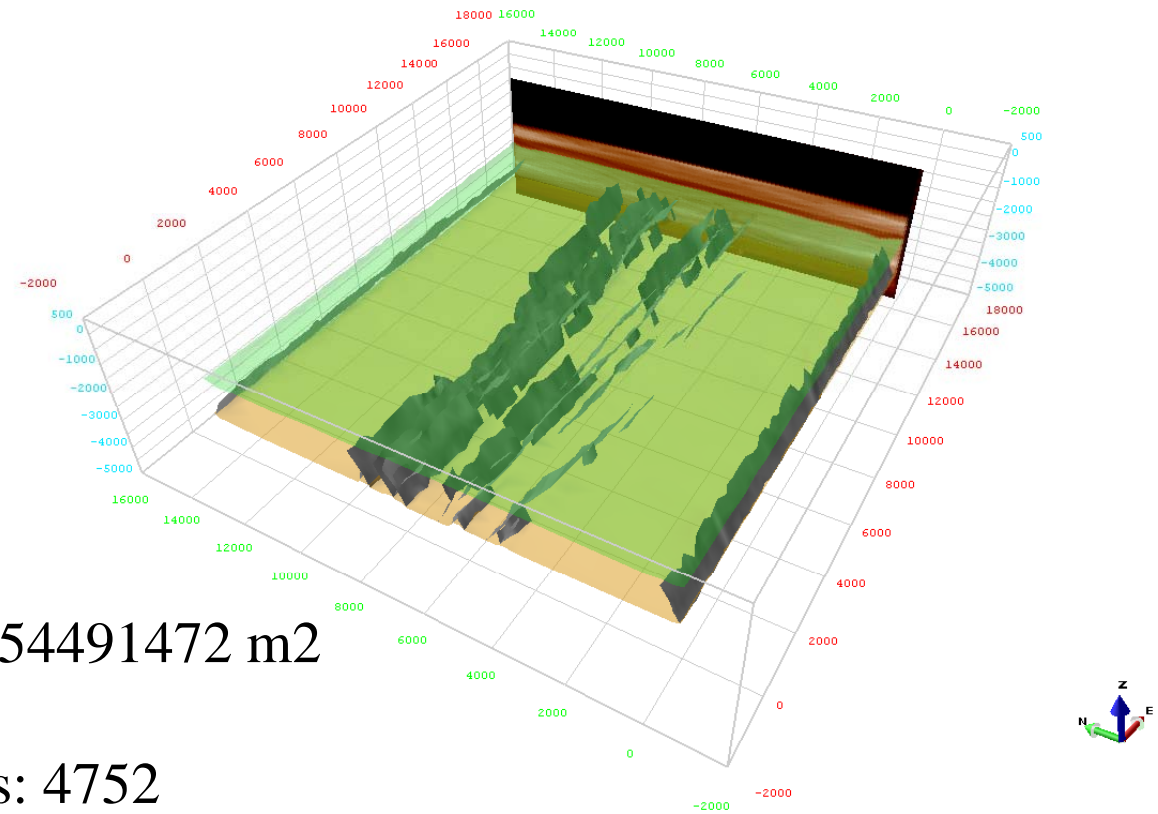
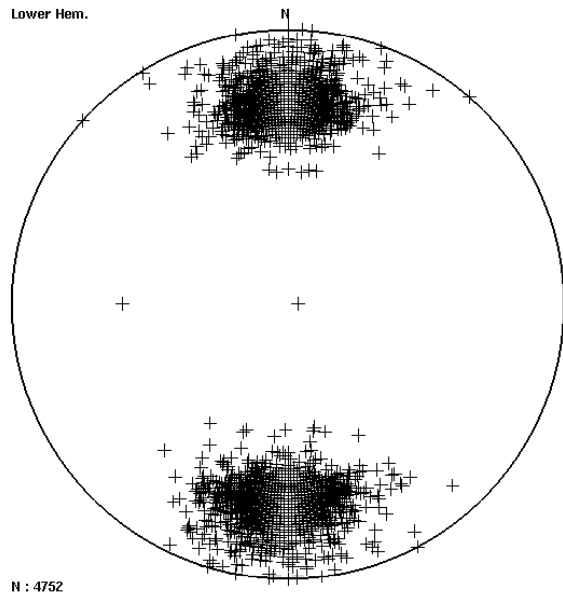
total fault surface area: 165310272 m<sup>2</sup>

number of faults: 106

number of mesh triangles: 5013



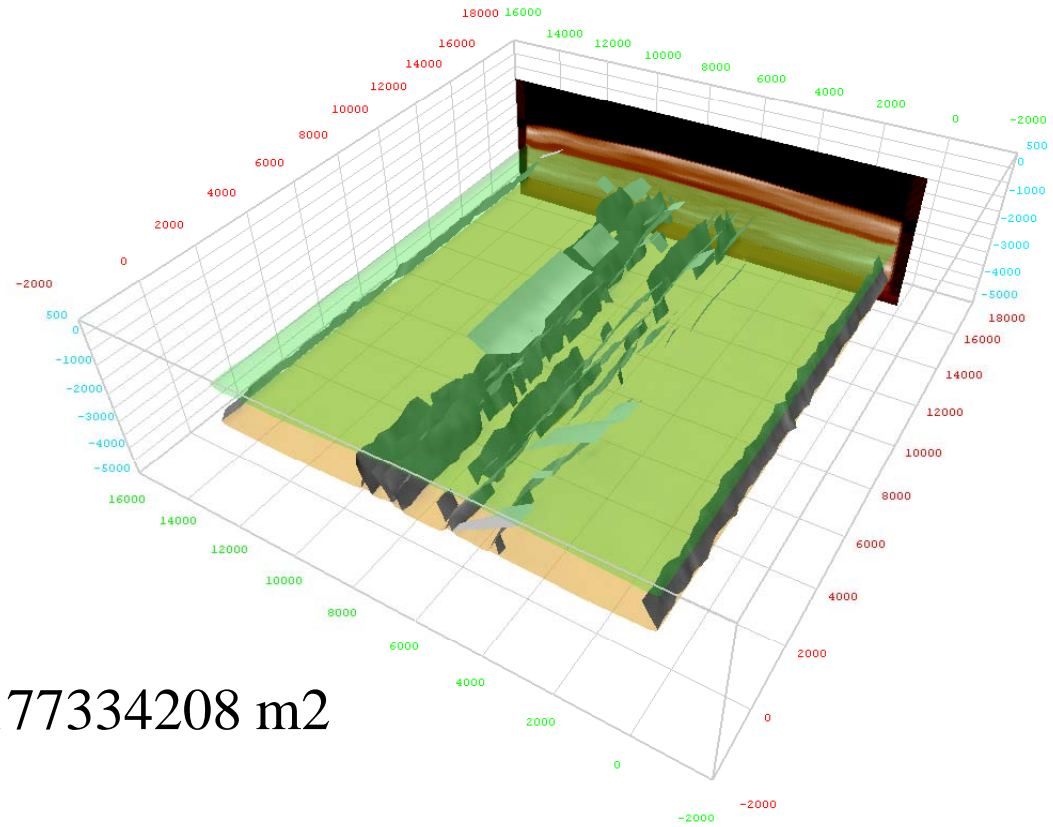
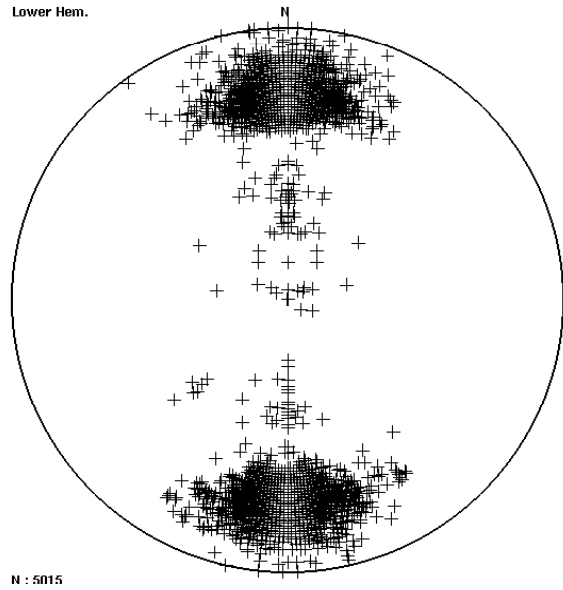
# Step D5



total fault surface area: 154491472 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 88  
number of mesh triangles: 4752

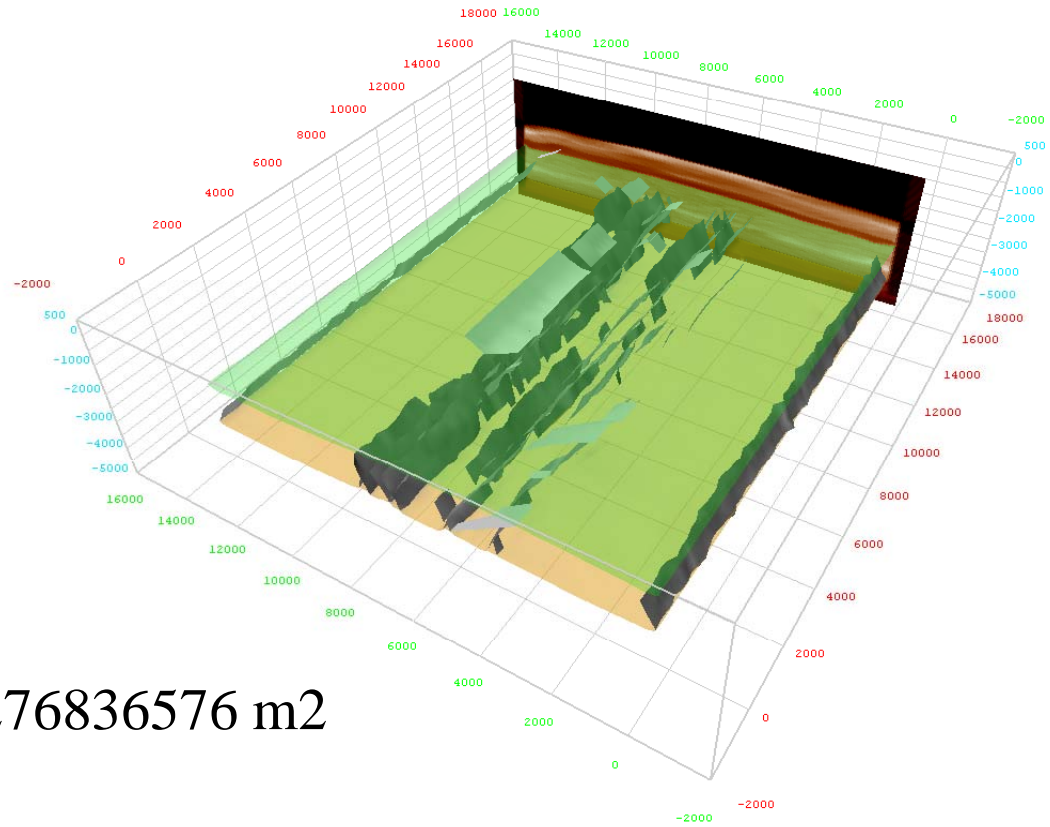
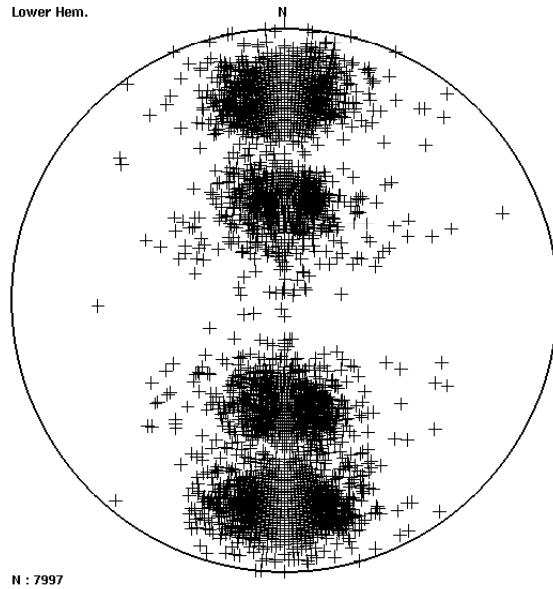


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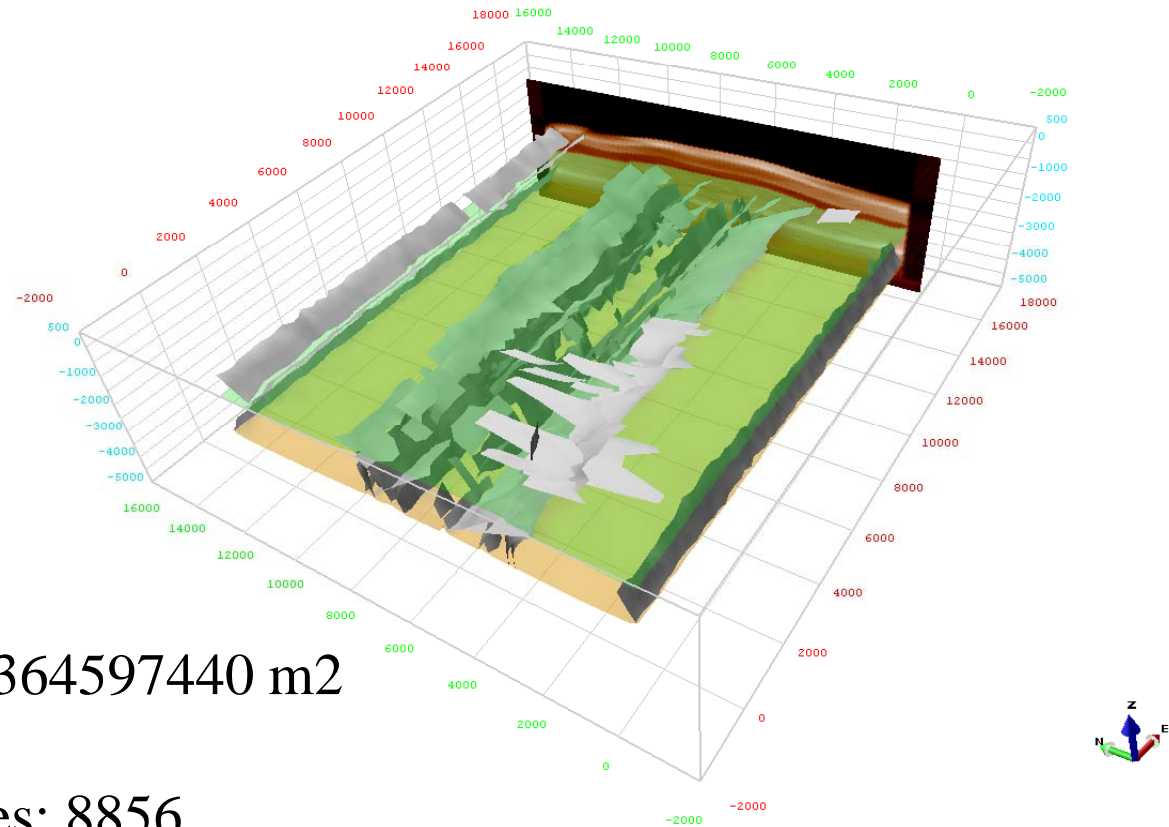
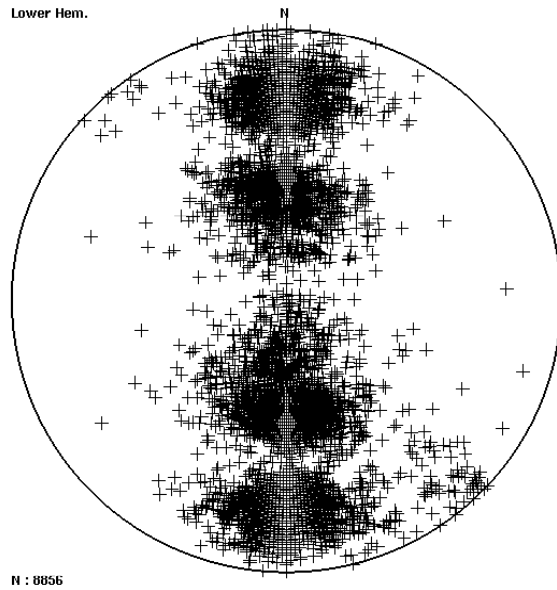
total fault surface area: 177334208 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 97  
number of mesh triangles: 5015

# Step D8



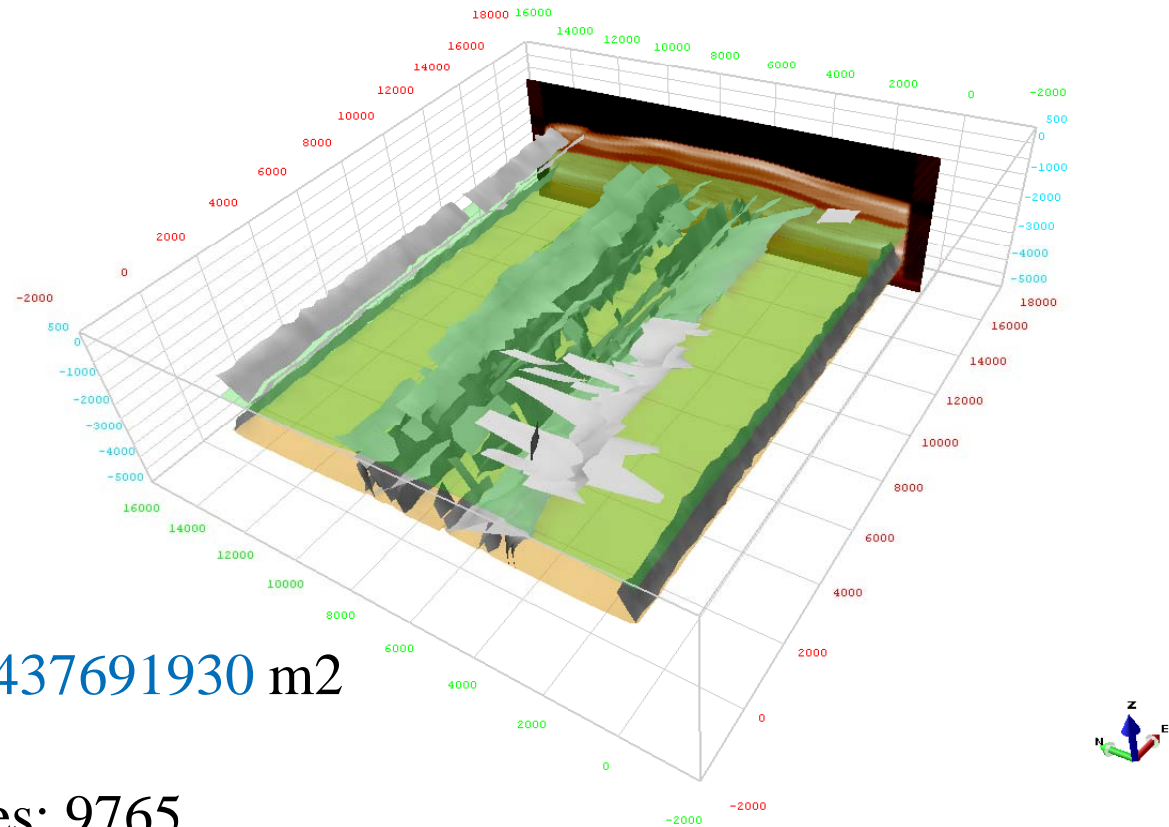
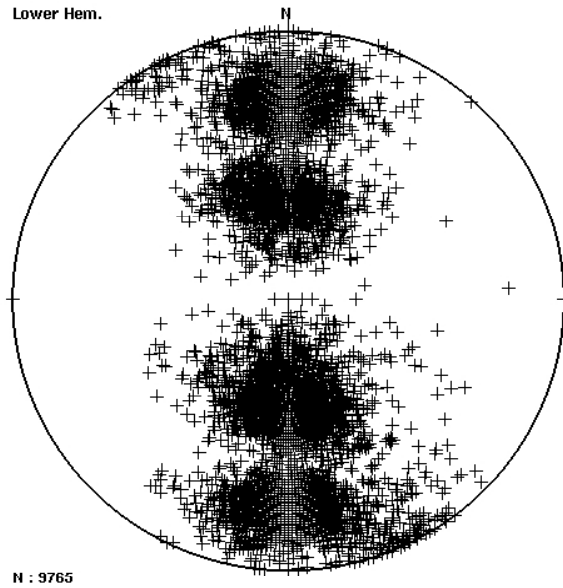
total fault surface area: 276836576 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 102  
number of mesh triangles: 7997

# Step D9



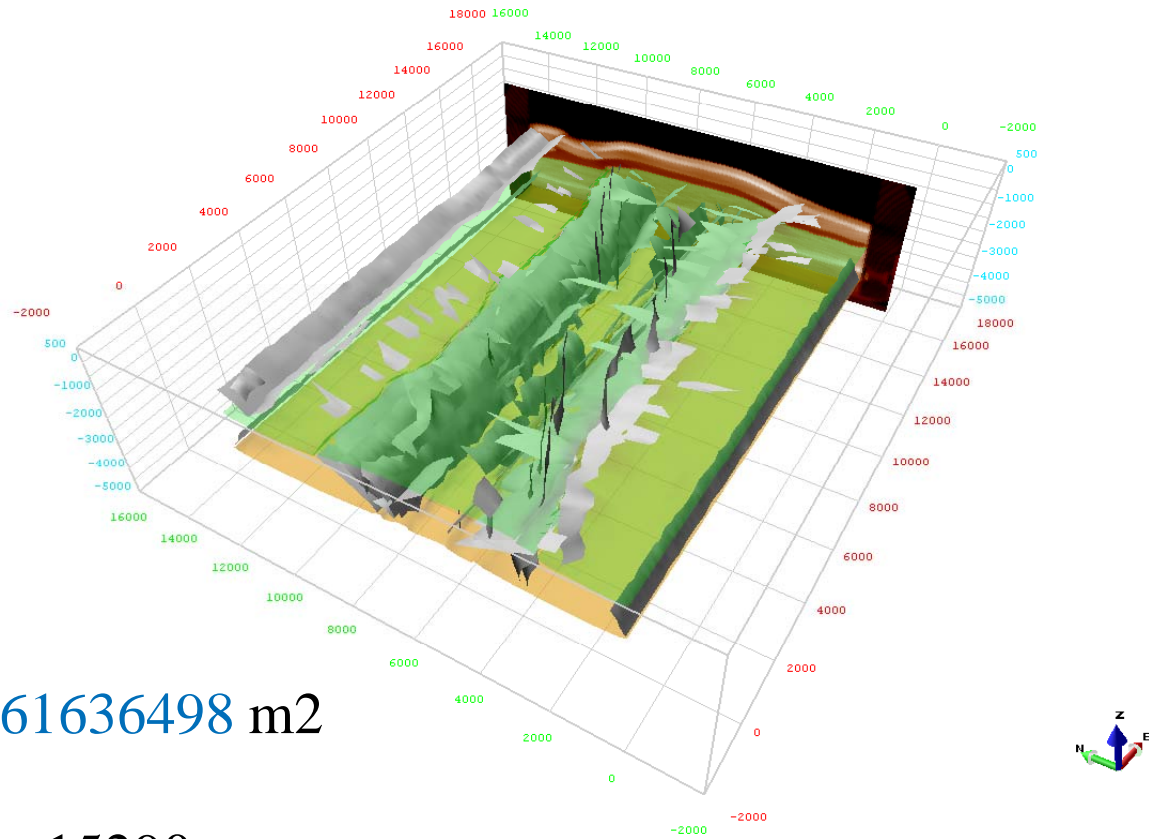
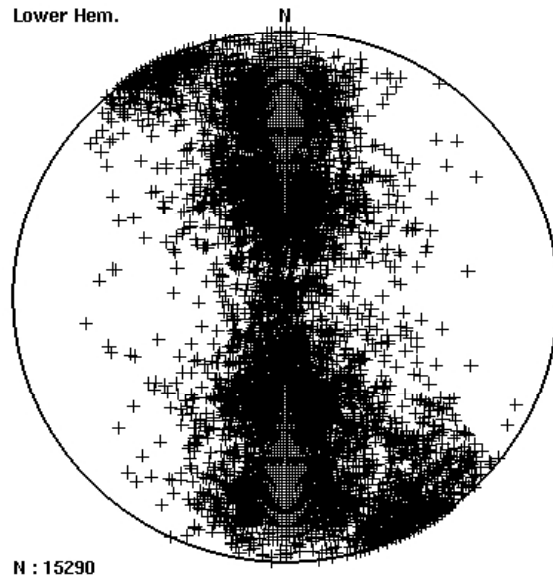
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number of faults: 130  
number of mesh triangles: 8856

# Step D10



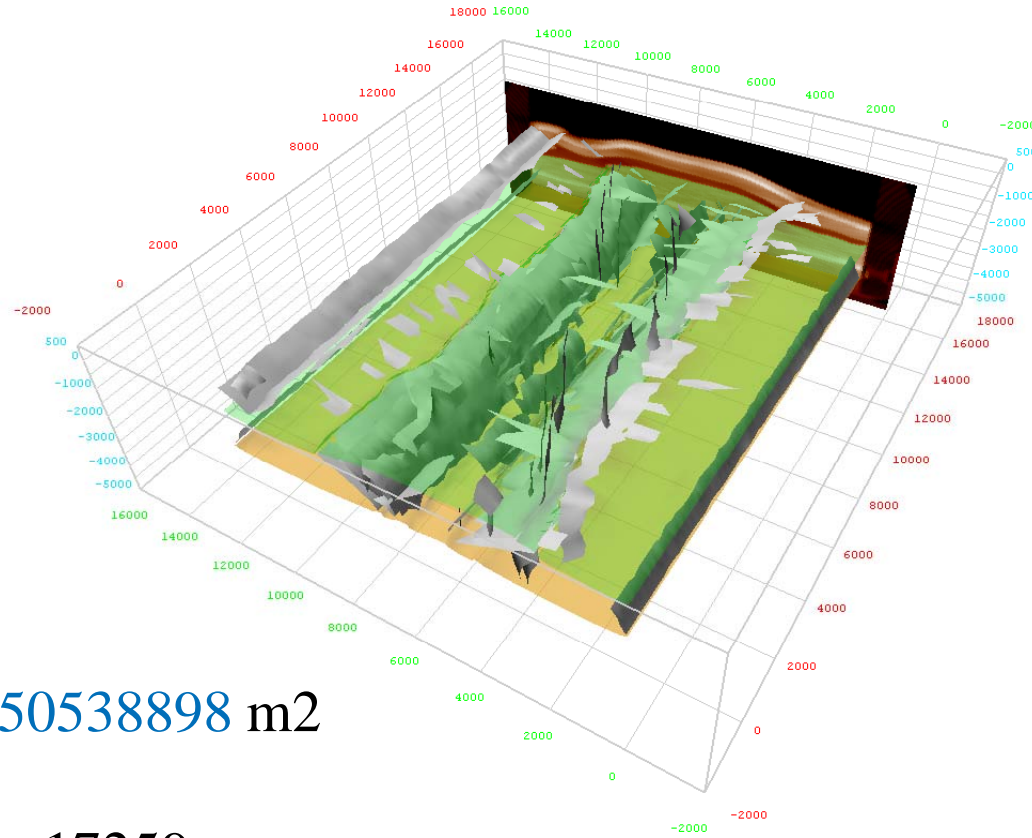
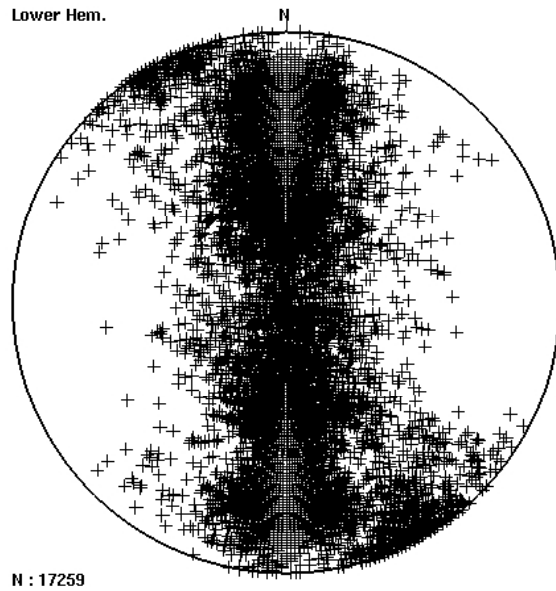
total fault surface area: 437691930 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 143  
number of mesh triangles: 9765

# Step D11



total fault surface area: 361636498 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 143  
number of mesh triangles: 15290

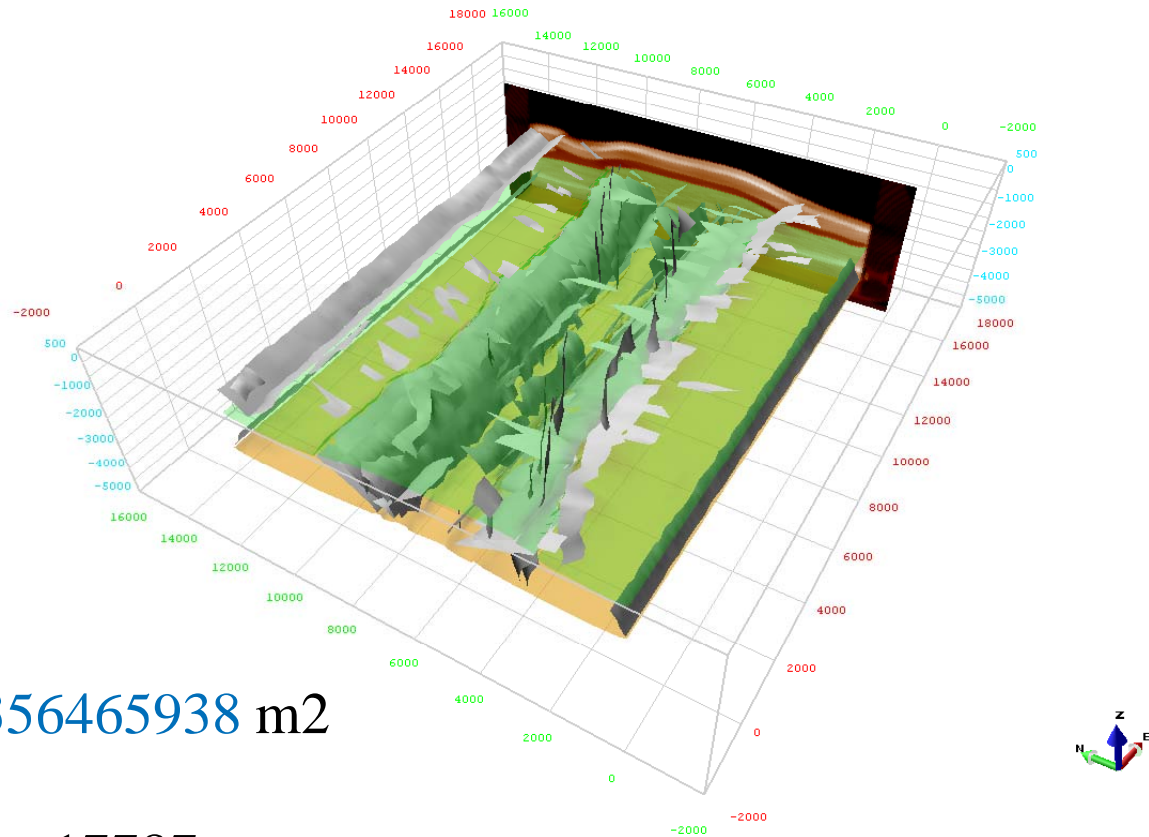
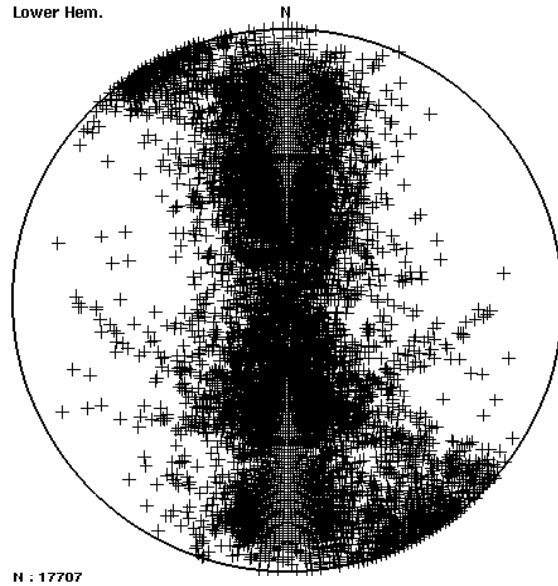
# Step D12



total fault surface area: **350538898** m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 151  
number of mesh triangles: 17259

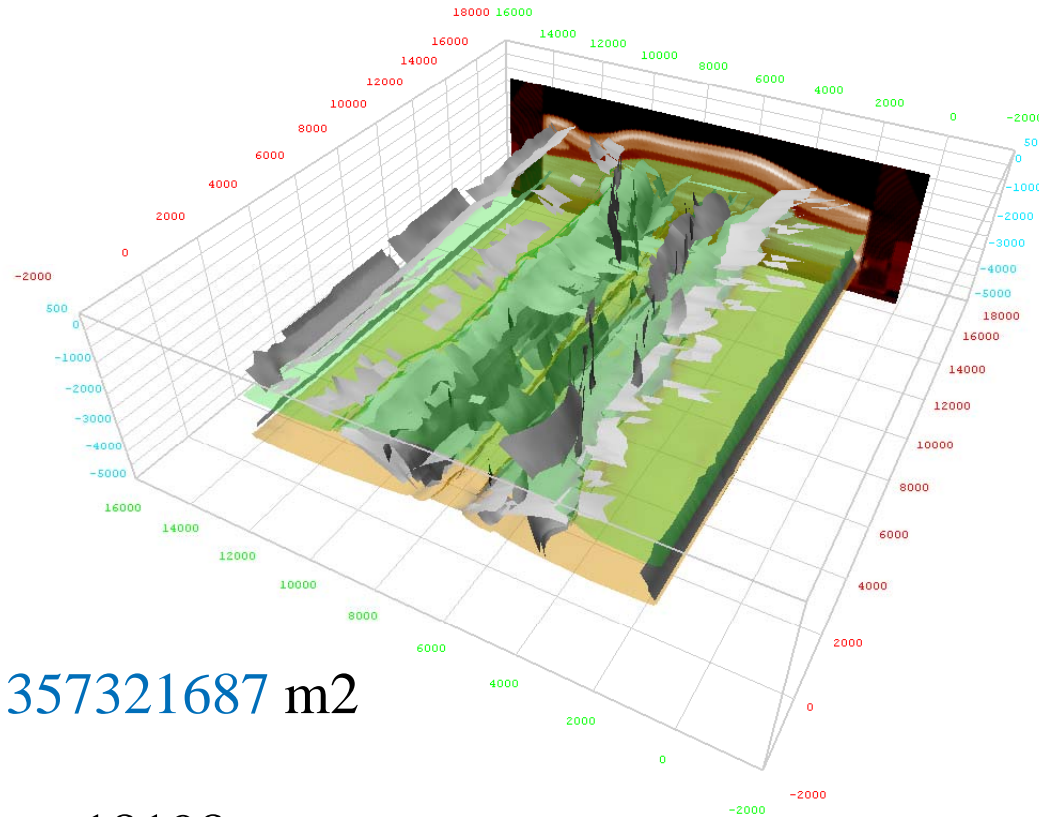
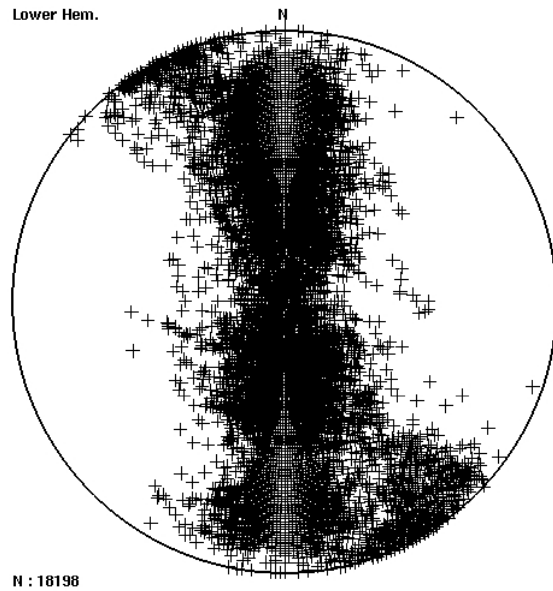


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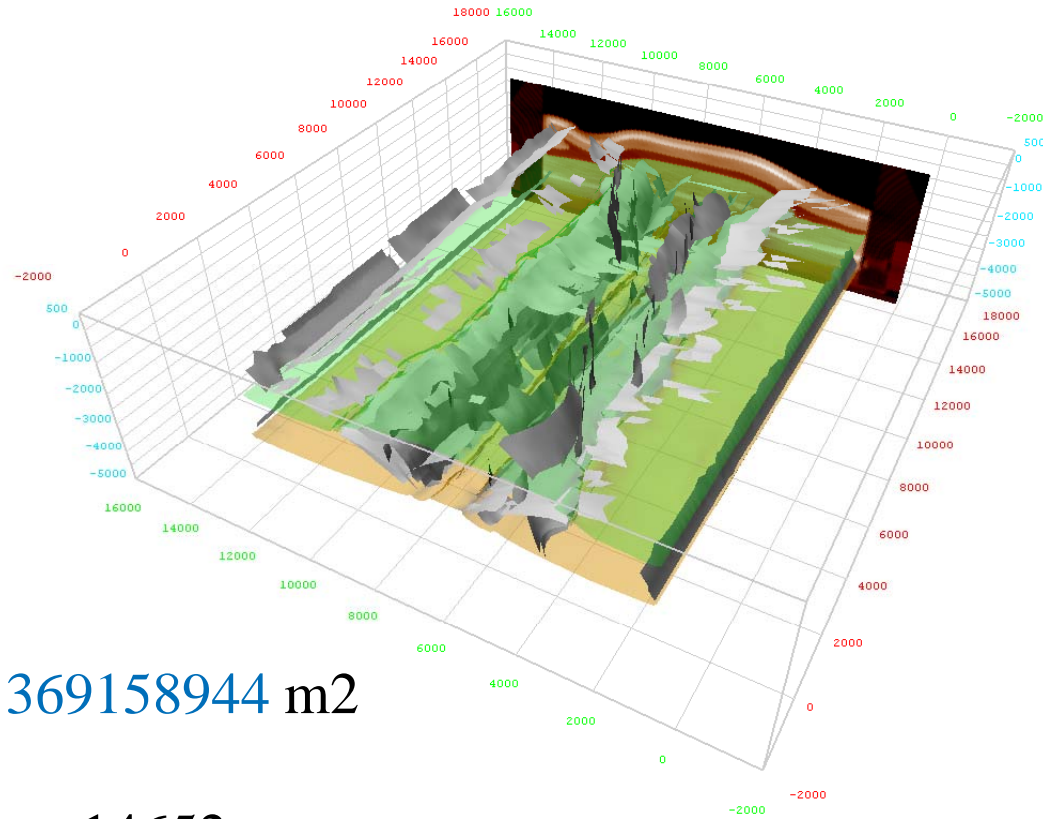
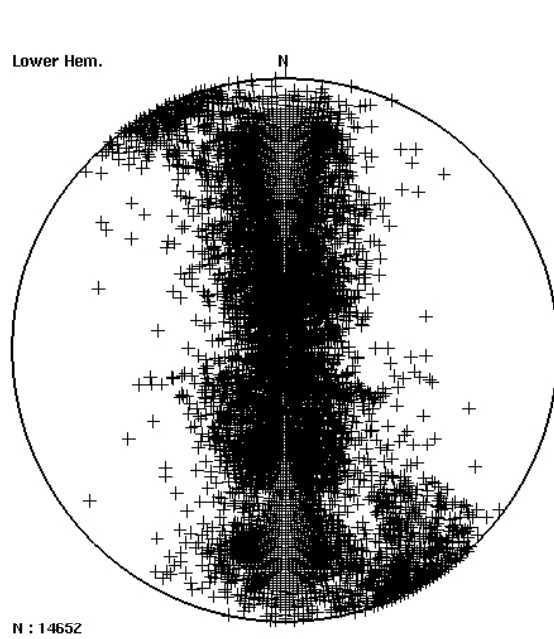
total fault surface area: 356465938 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 162  
number of mesh triangles: 17787

# Step D14

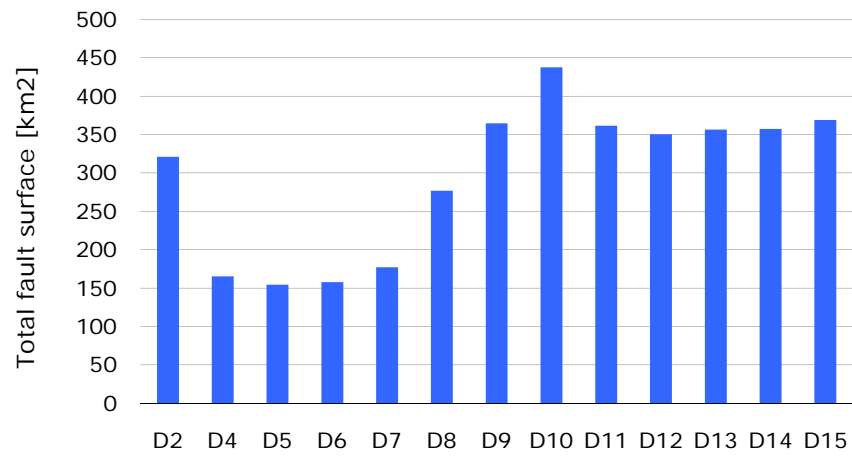


total fault surface area: 357321687 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 210  
number of mesh triangles: 18198

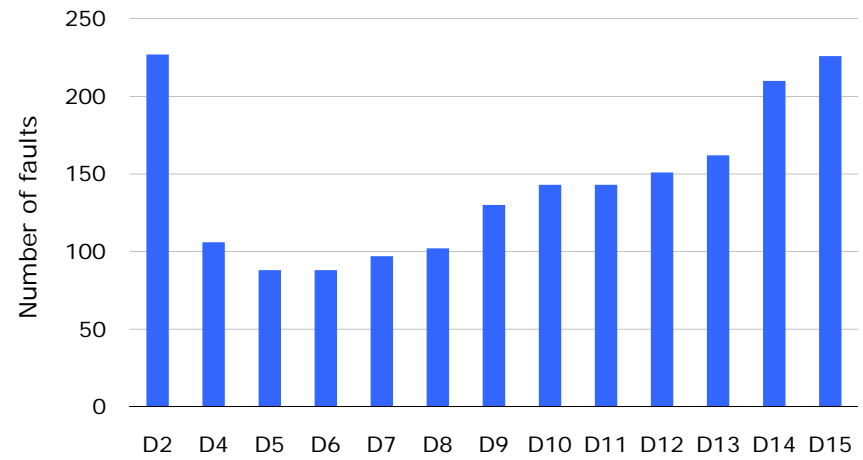
# Step D15



total fault surface area: 369158944 m<sup>2</sup>  
number of faults: 226  
number of mesh triangles: 14652



Area of faults [km<sup>2</sup>] in each time step



Number of faults in each time step

# Conclusion

- 4Dsandbox experiments provide a tool for training purposes to highlight key concepts and deformation patterns of structural geology
- Digitization of 4Dsanbox examples brings an essential data base to quantify fault pattern and structural evolution
- The approach is a platform for the design and development of structural geology interpretation software

# Main goals for structural interpretation

## ■ **Ensure Structural Consistency**

- Good Present Day Structure Geometry
- Appraise all alternative scenarios of structural and sedimentological evolution

## ■ **Produce a Forward Model**

- Resetting original thickness & eroded volumes
- Palinspastic maps
- Geometry to Basin and Reservoir Models
- Burial history curves

# Perspectives

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- **BM: Coupling of structural and stratigraphic modelling**
- **BM: integration of diagenesis & mineral kinetics**
- **Software dependent: simplify workflows**
- **Combine field work & physical and numerical experiments**