

Examples of multi-azimuth imaging and some thoughts on how to analyse the potential uplift

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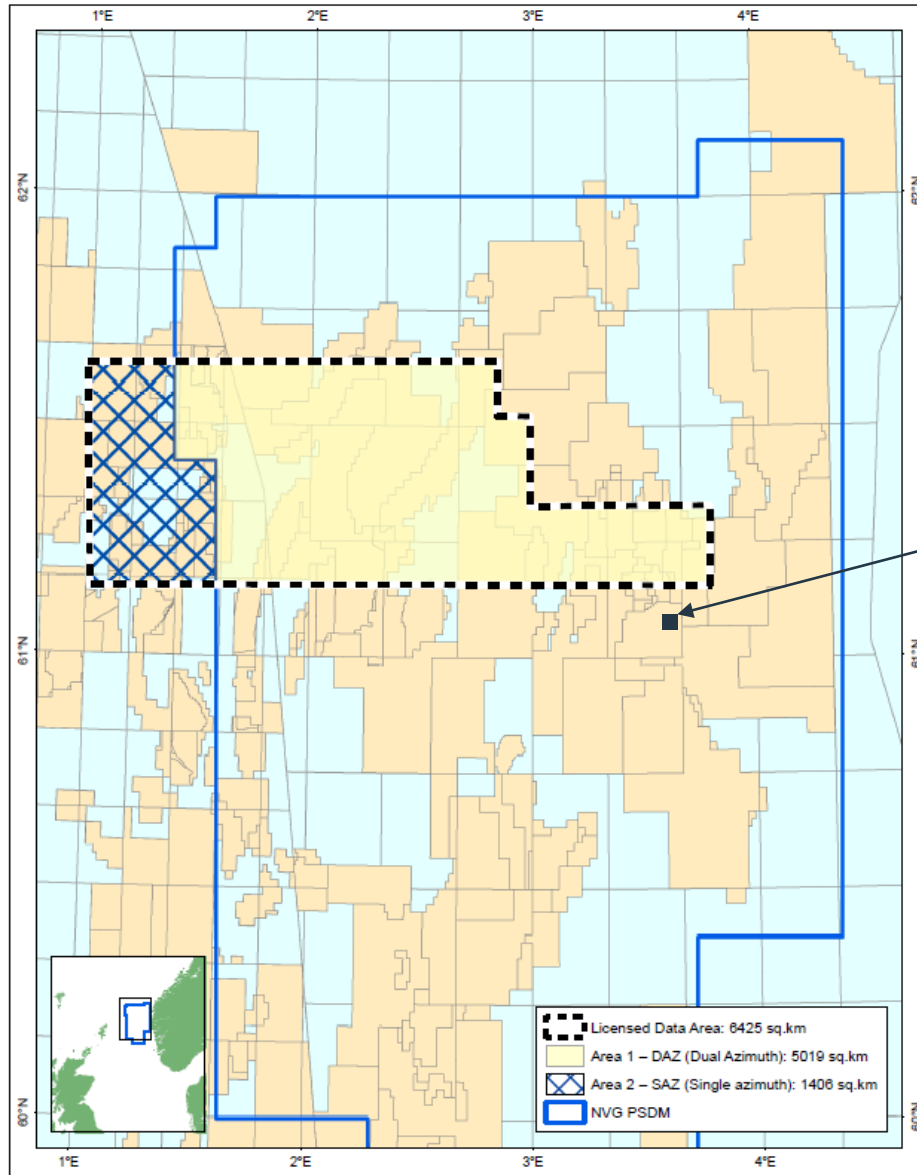
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Agenda

- Krafla DAZ reprocessing
- Gullfaks DAZ reprocessing
- Full azimuth offset coverage - DAZ v MAZ
- GeoX MAZ data quality comparison
- Martin Linge MAZ interpretation comparison
- Suggestions on how to find out if MAZ is a possibility and if it adds value

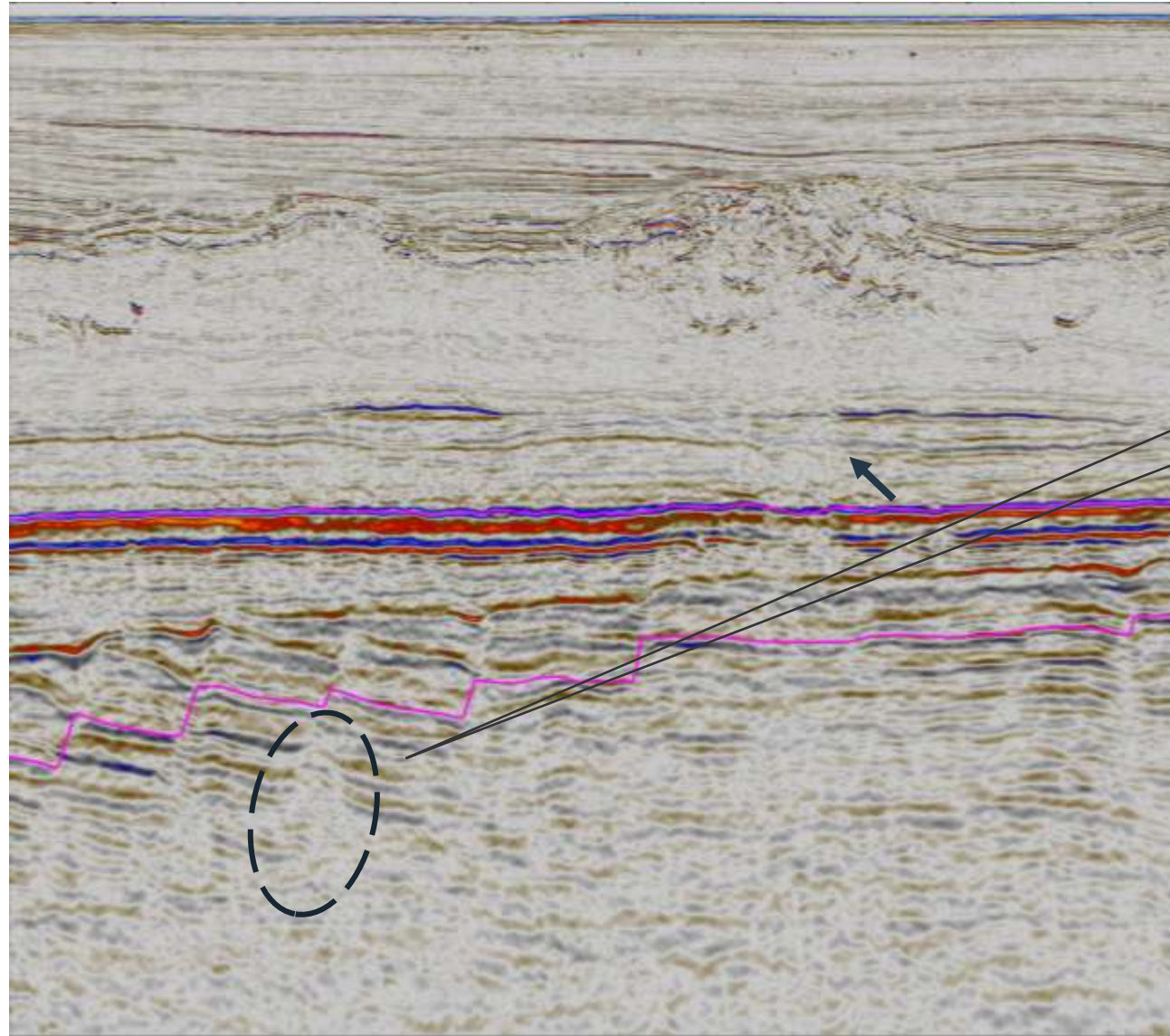
Krafla DAZ reprocessing

- Bespoke re-processing effort and velocity model build
- Uses Horda-Tampen CGG16001 and NVG05



Krafla DAZ (500 km²)

Horda-Tampen single azimuth, CGG16001, Az = 0



Due to shooting direction (N-S), imaging of E-W fault is sub optimal

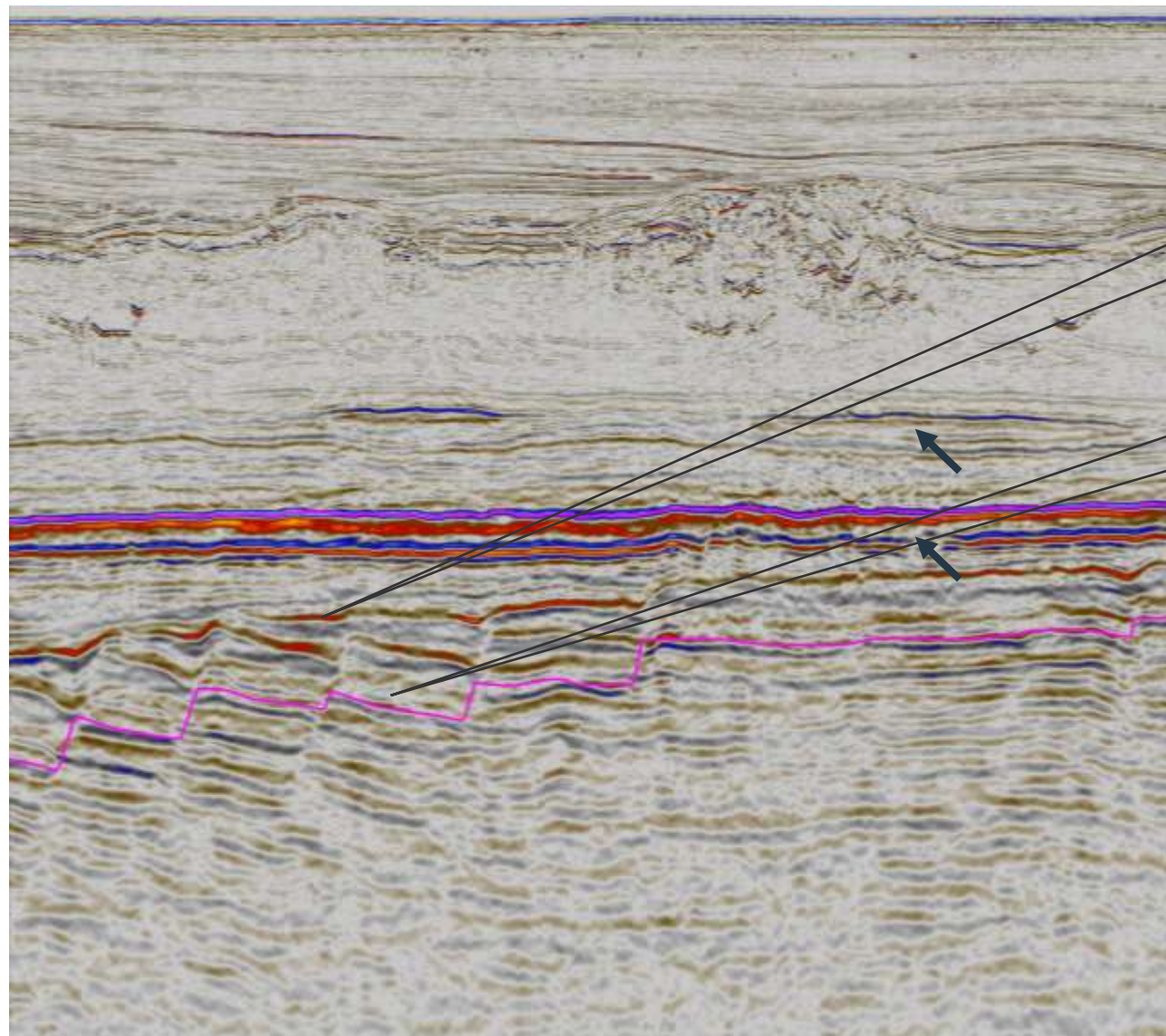
Shetland

Top Ness

Each survey was migrated separately and combined via weighted stack

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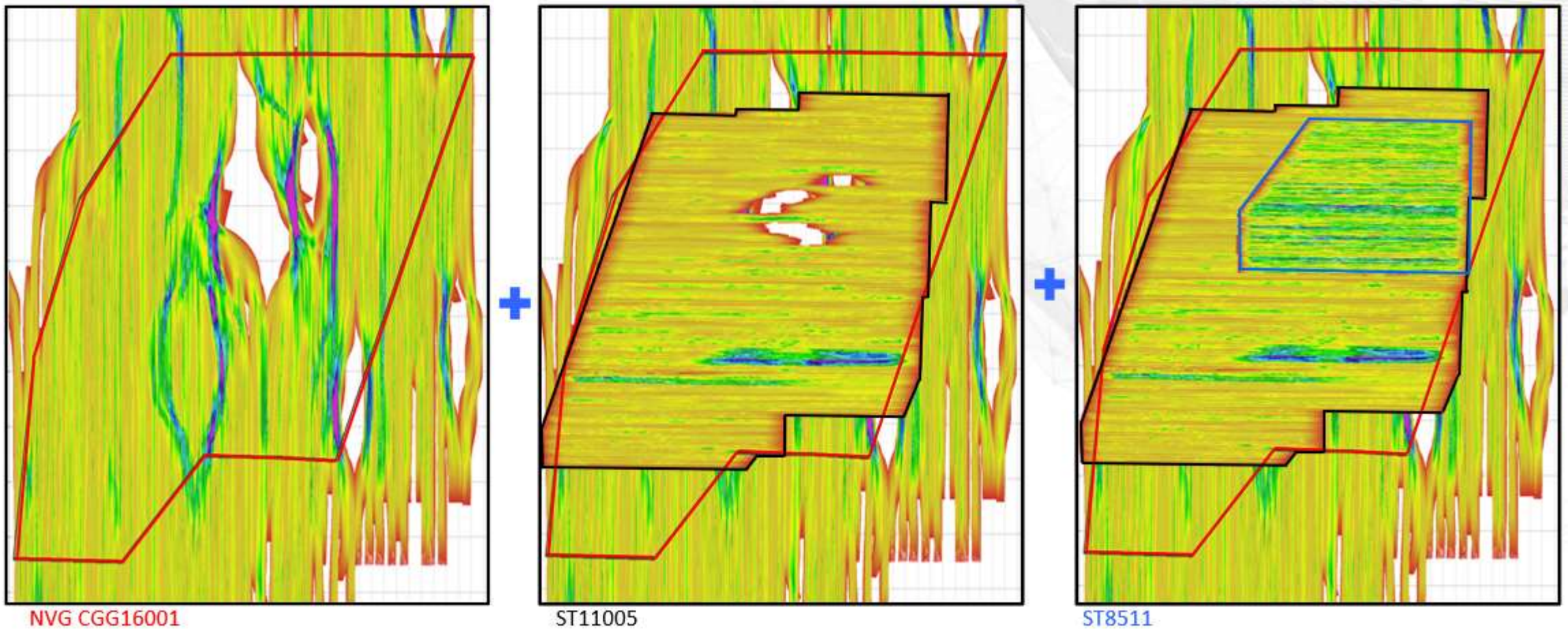
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Better stack response in general.

Much improved fault definition.

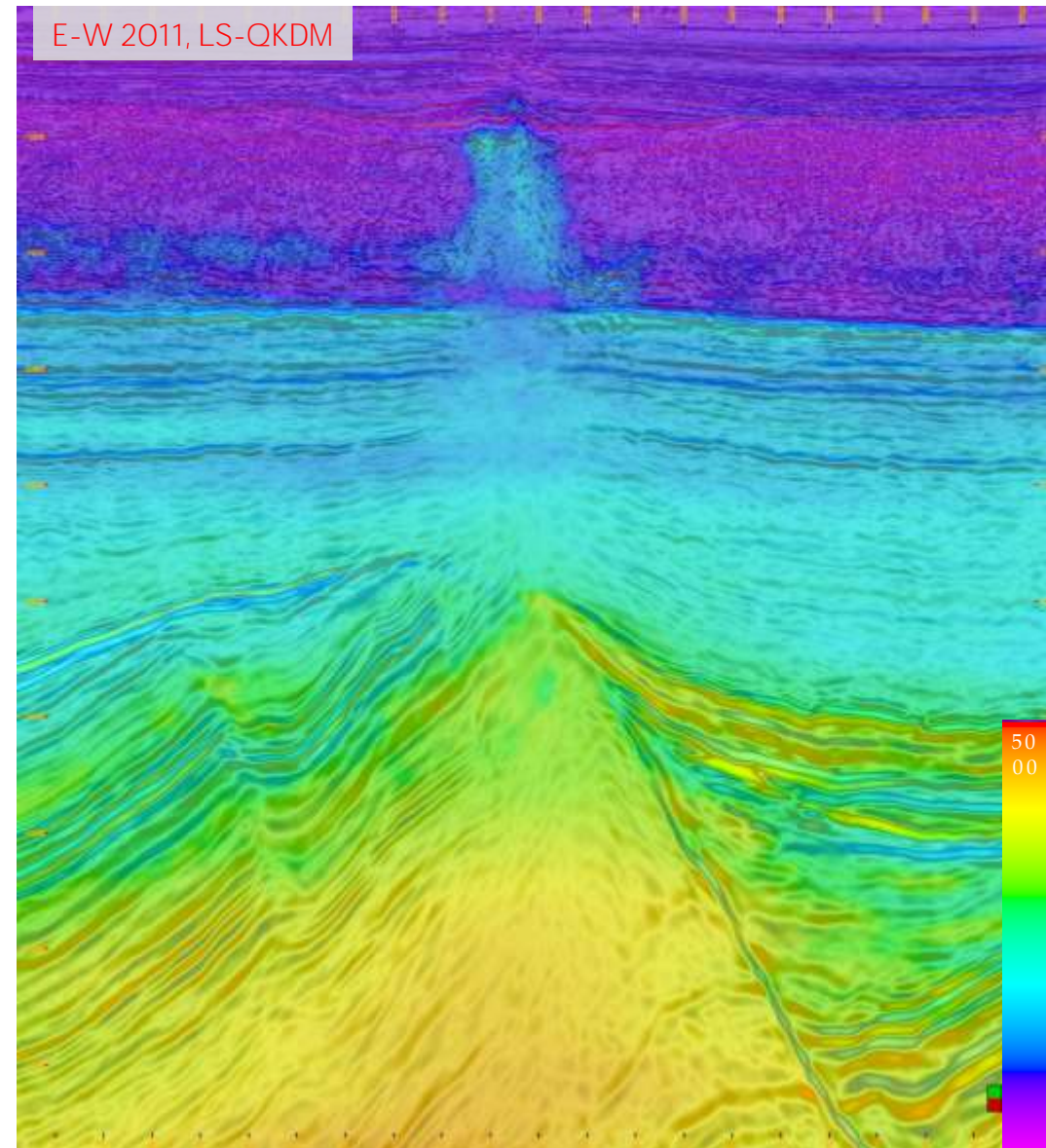
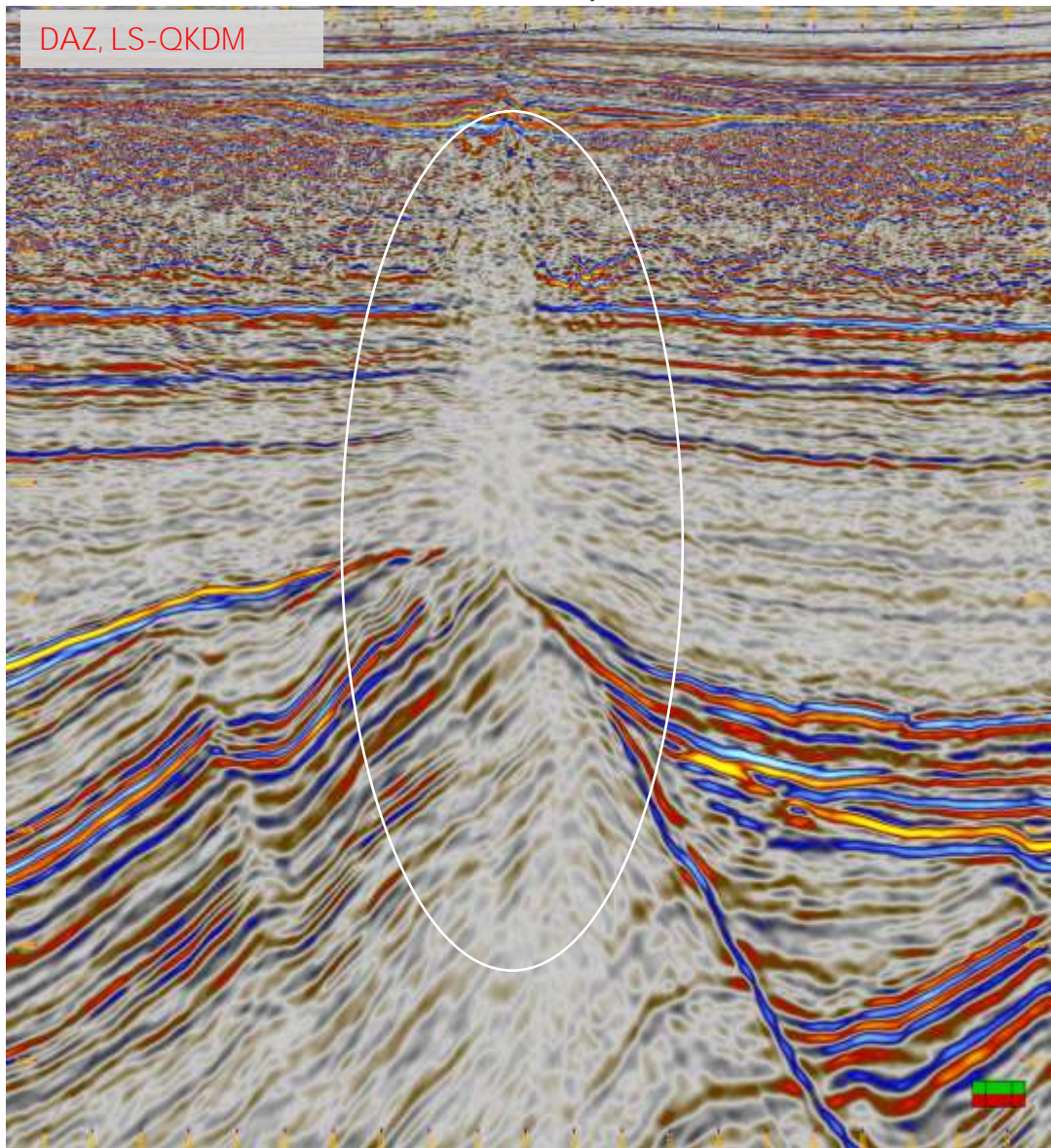
Gullfaks Dual Azimuth



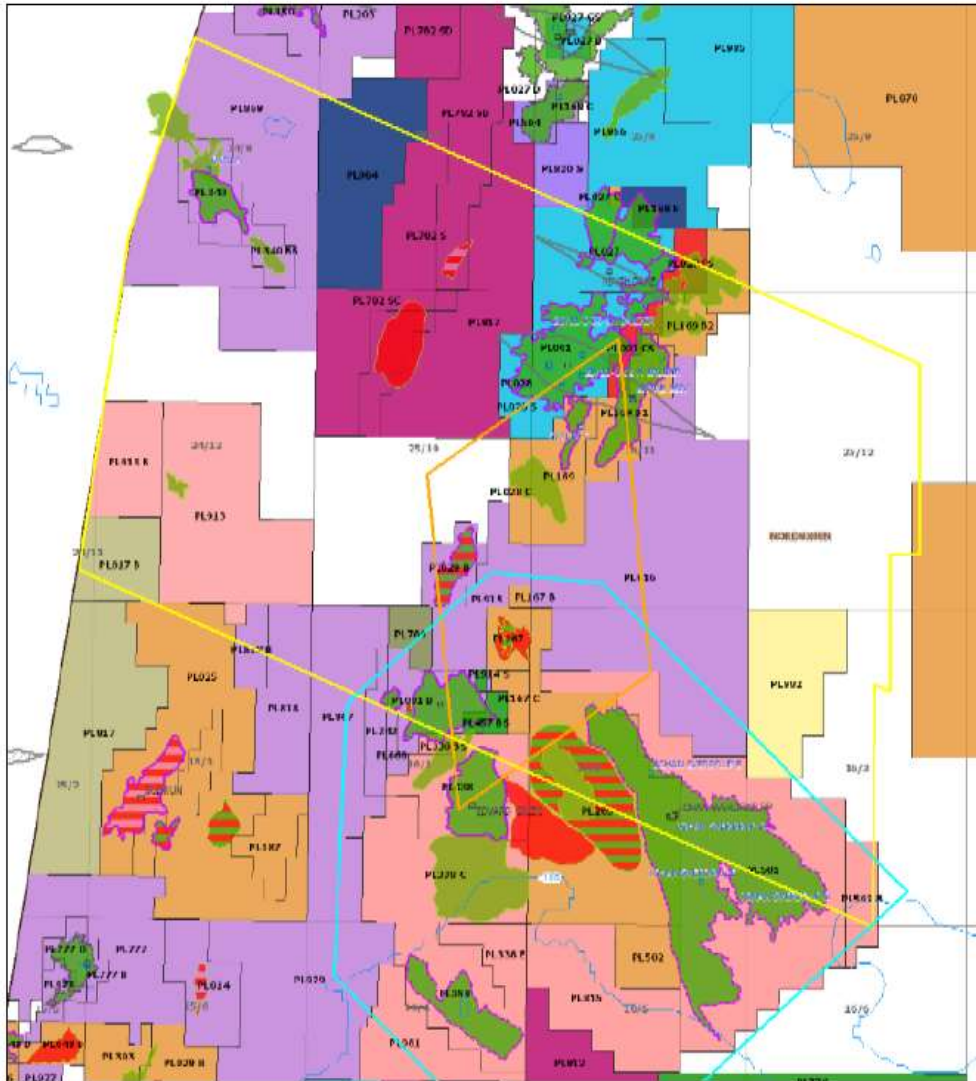
Dual Azimuth only valid where the CGG16 and ST11 overlap

ST85 used to fill rig holes

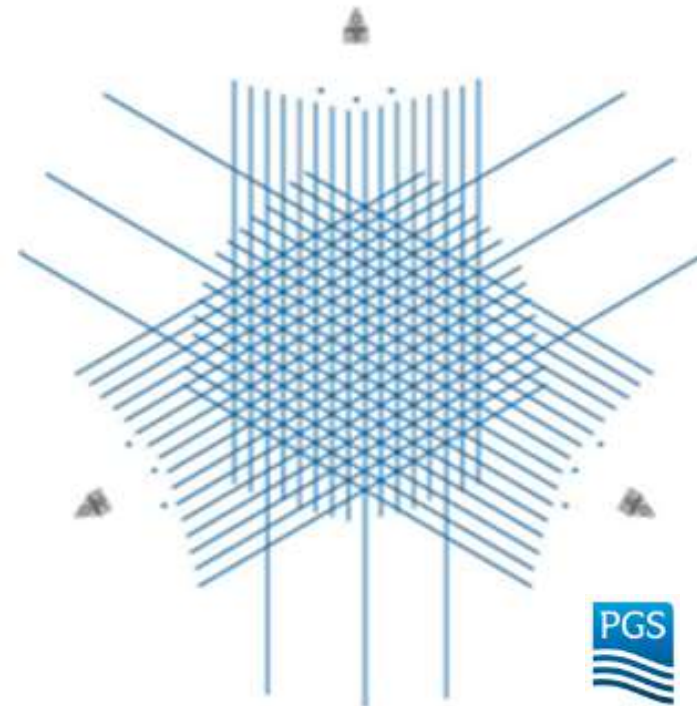
Gullfaks DAZ Example



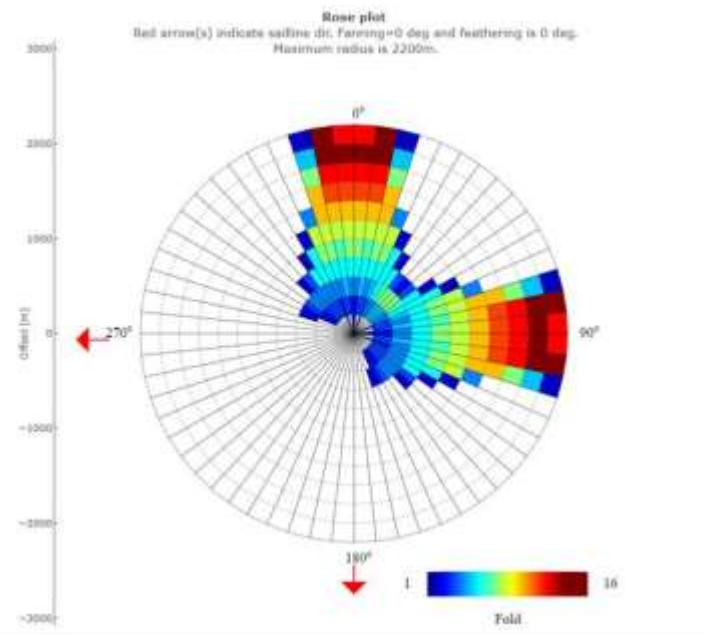
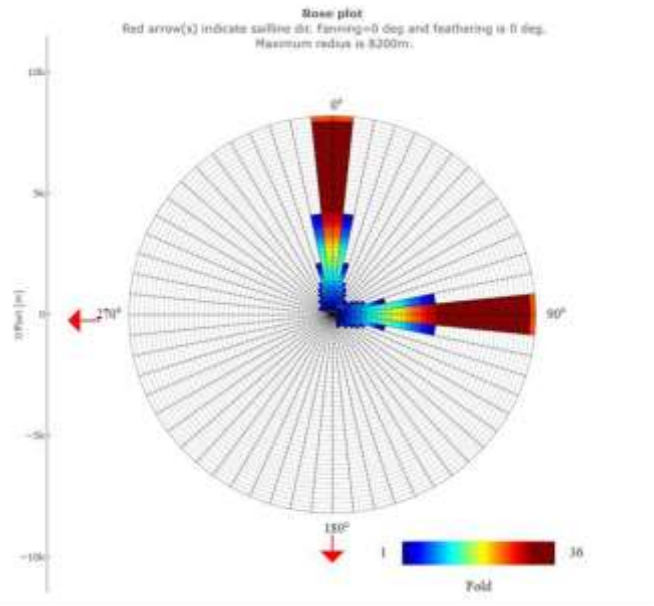
GeoX location map and surveys



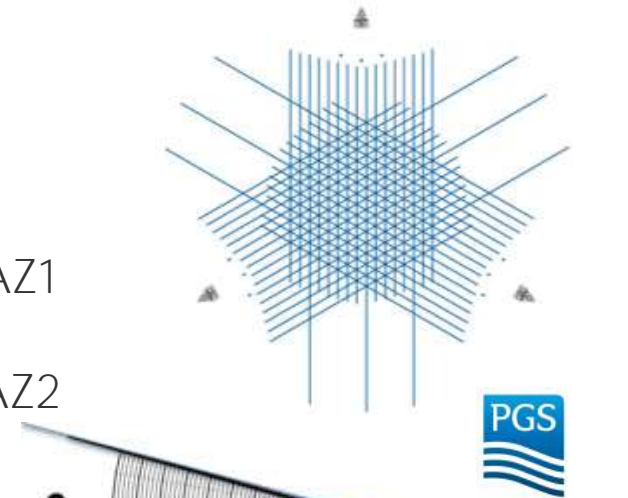
Area of Interest 545 sq km (orange)
MC3D-SVG11 (PGS15917) (yellow)
LNO902 (southern part) (blue)



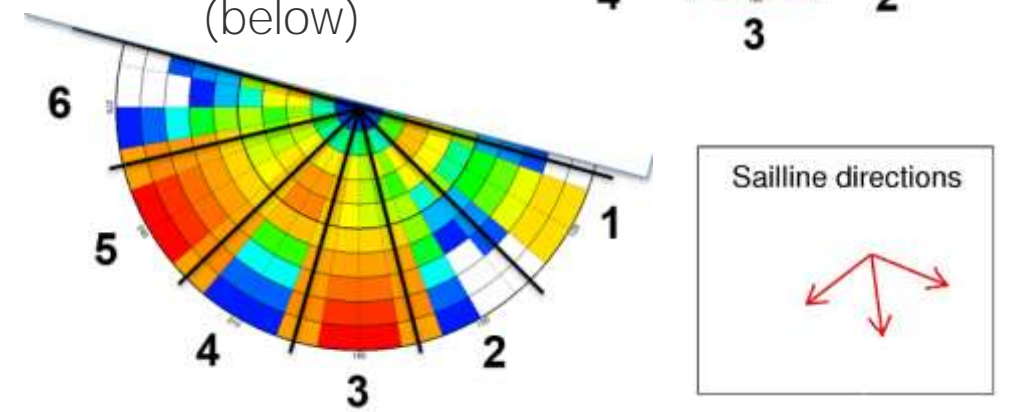
Dual Azimuth v Triple Azimuth Offset Distribution



- 114 deg -> SVG11
- 144 deg
- 174 deg -> GeoX AZ1
- 204 deg
- 234 deg -> GeoX AZ2
- 264 deg



Rose diagram:
Offset inc. 200m
Offset zoom 10000
(right) / 2000m
(below)



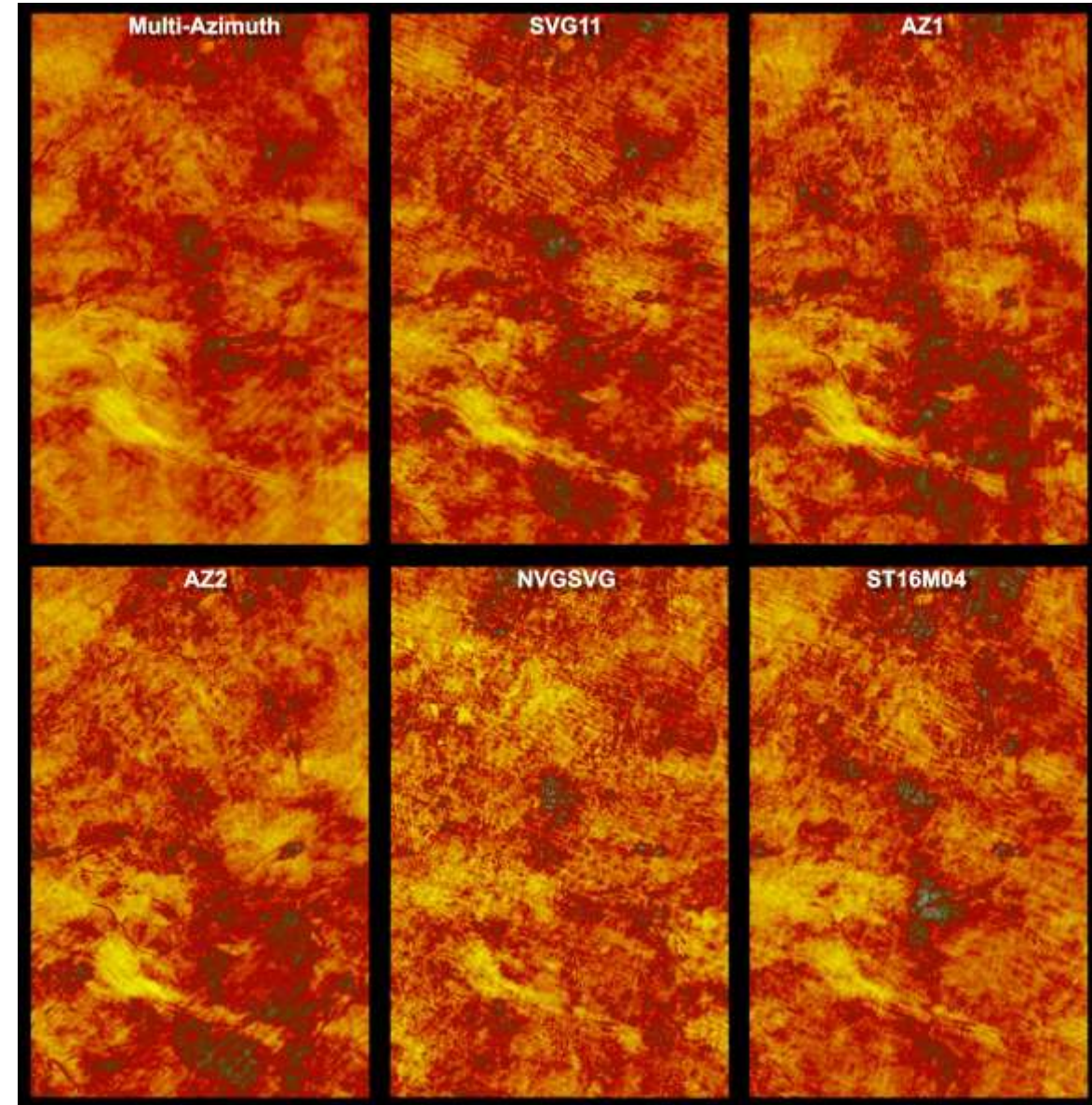
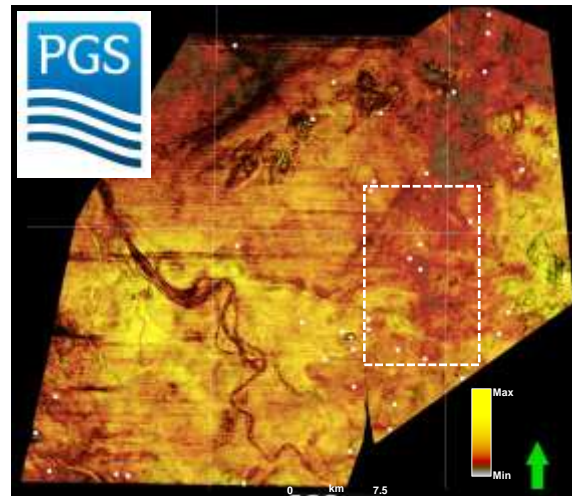
GeoX - Shallow amplitudes – MAZ versus single azimuths

Comparing amplitudes at internal Utsira event:

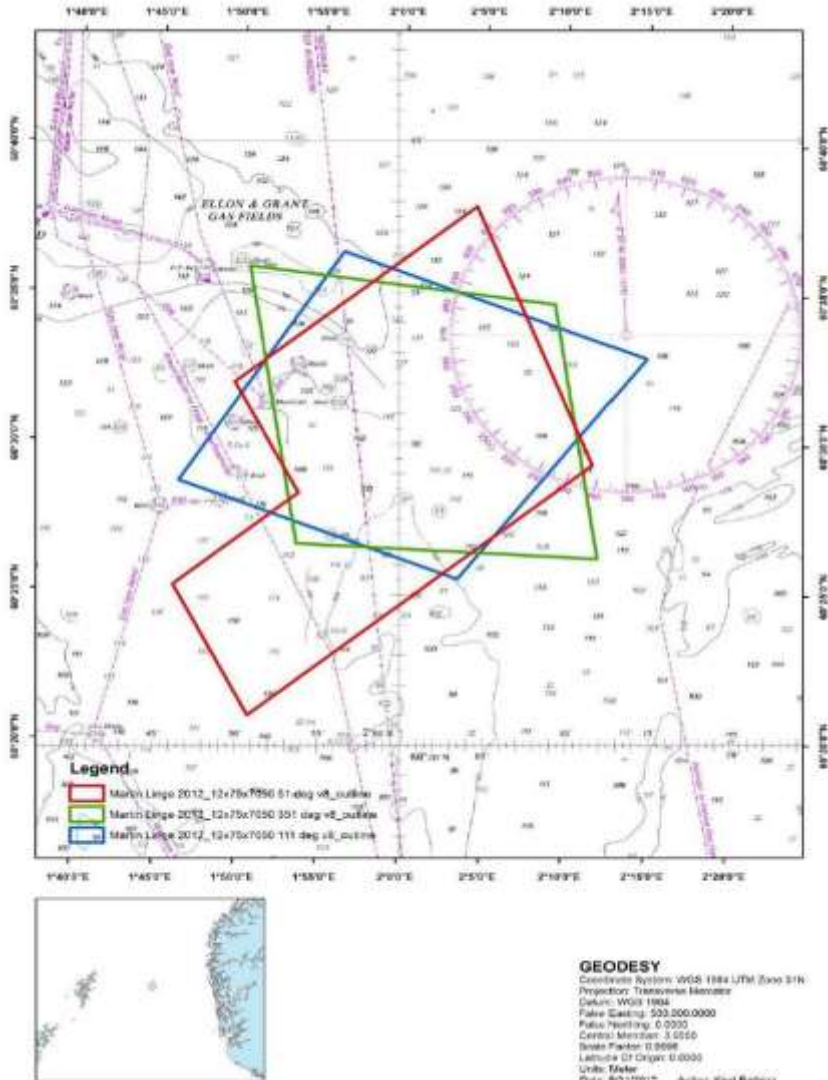
- The best image is the Mutli-azimuth. Of the three input azimuths (SVG11, AZ1 and AZ2), AZ1 is the best
- The vintage surveys are of poorer quality; particularly the NVGSVG survey

Survey & Interpretability / Quality

MAZ	SVG11	AZ1	AZ2	NVGSVG	ST16M04
Very good	Good	Good	Good	Poor	Good

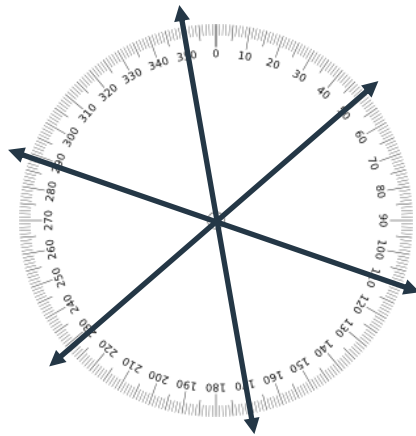


Martin Linge – the need to interpret all azimuths

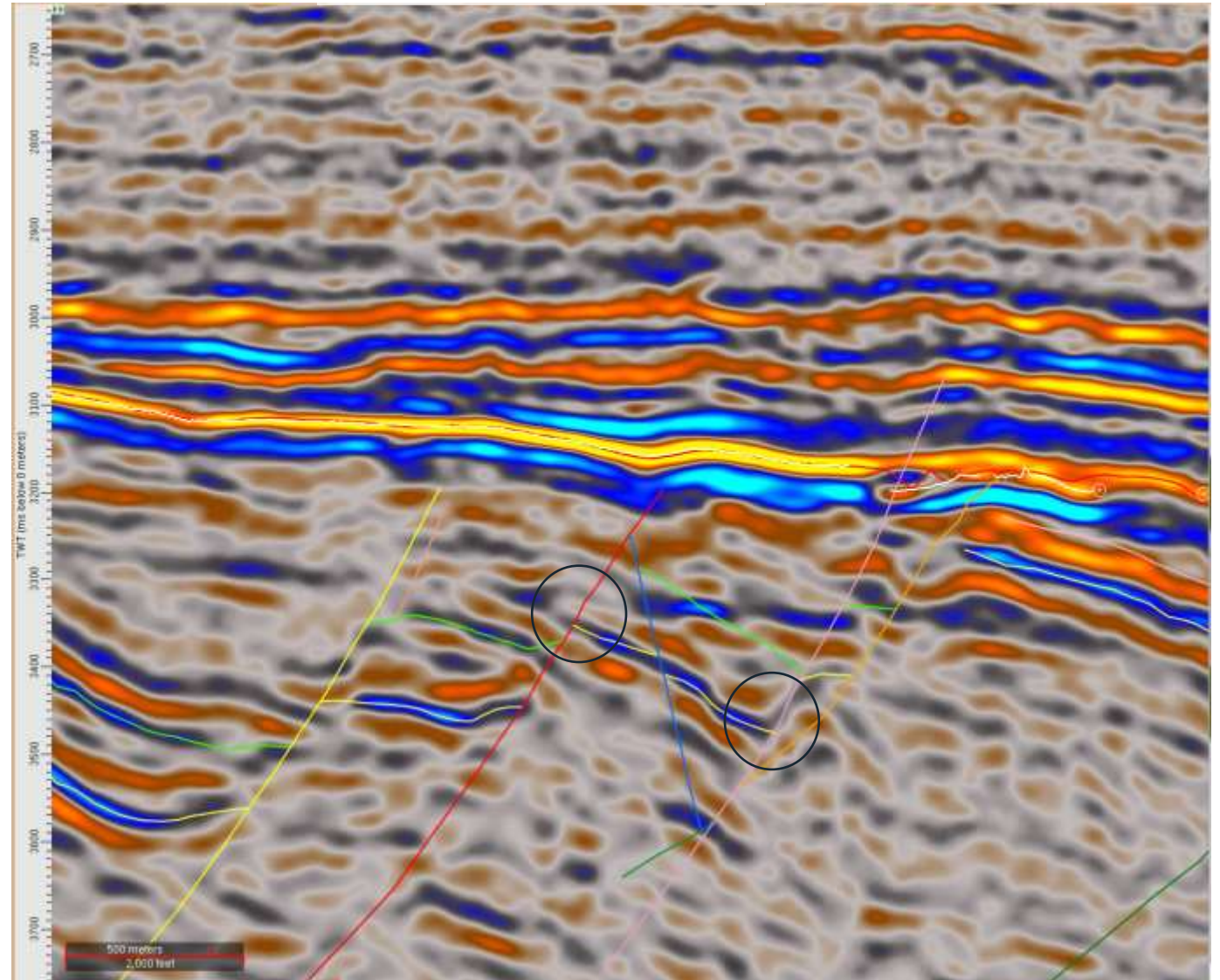


- 3 azimuths acquired
- Azimuths for fault interpretation are not what you expect
 - In some cases best fault and reservoir definition from data parallel to the fault

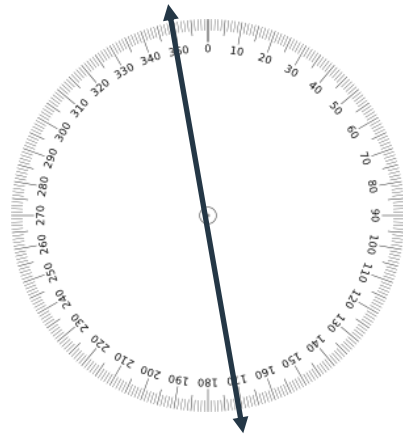
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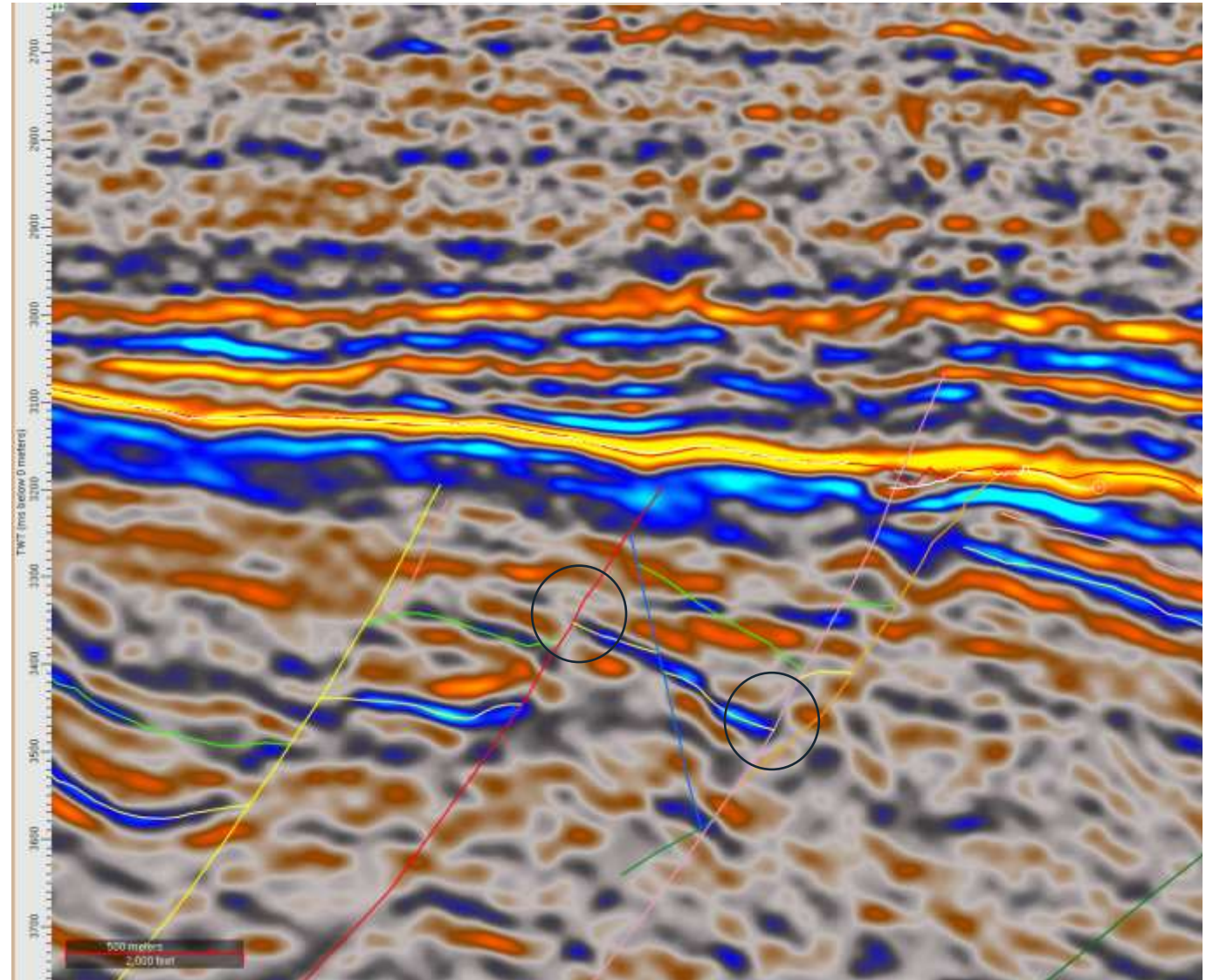
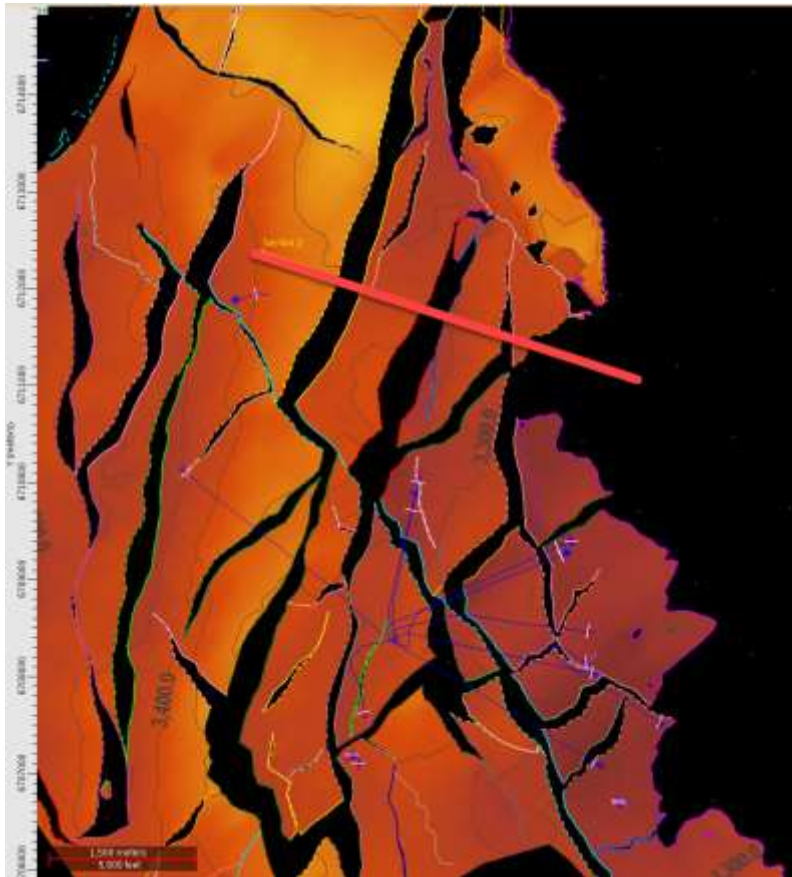
Seismic section: West → East
Seismic cube: TO1301MLERQ18-Near MAZ



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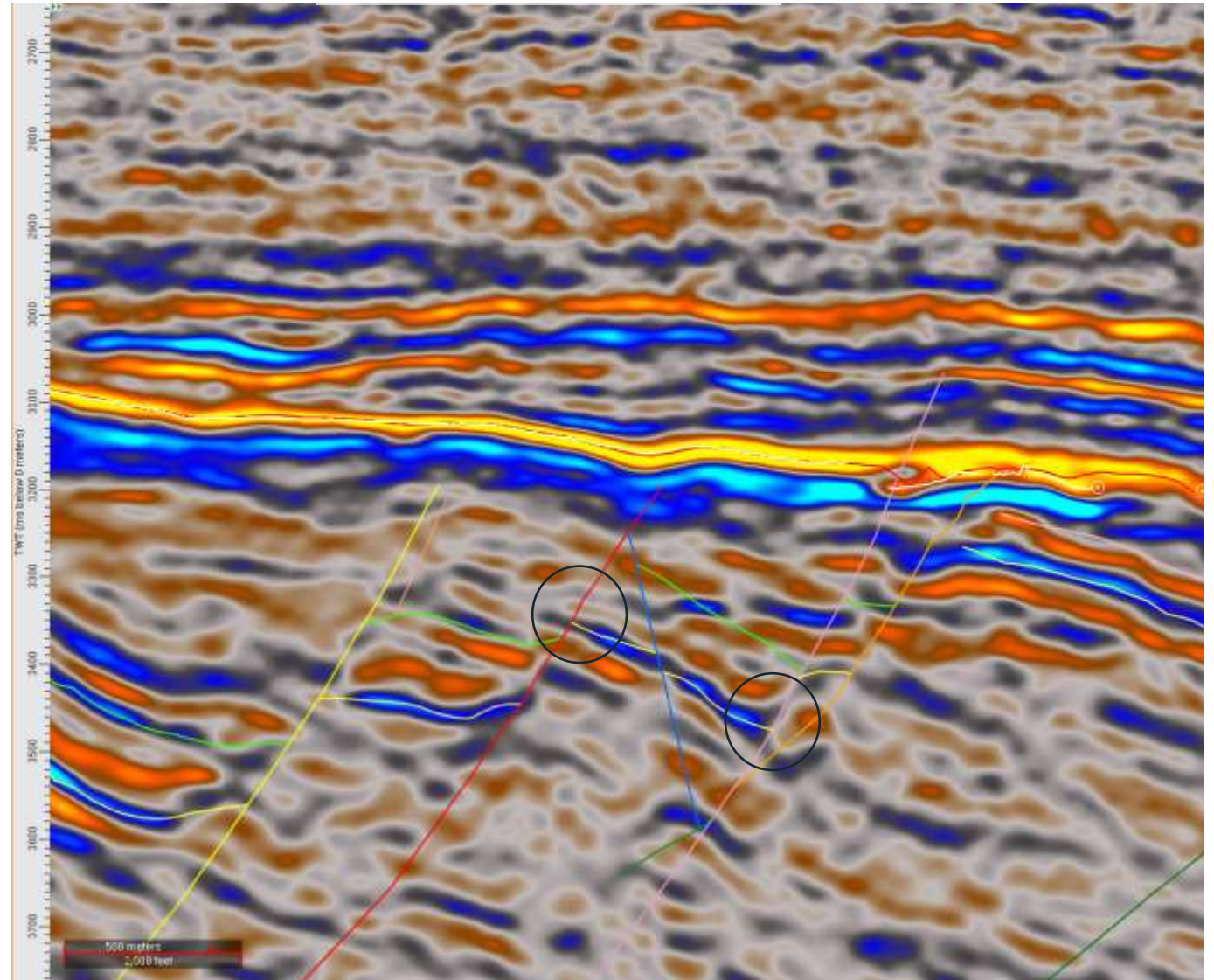
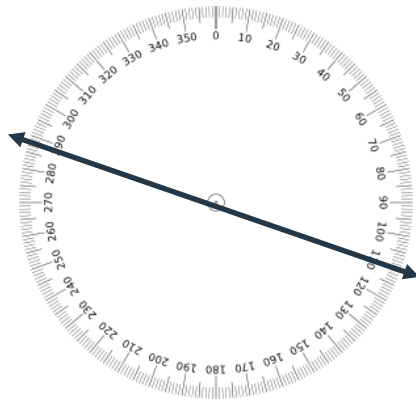


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Seismic cube: TO1301MLERQ18-Near AZ351

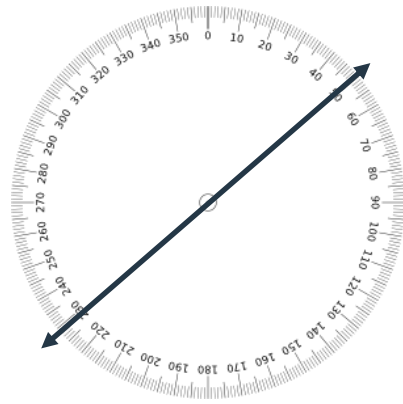


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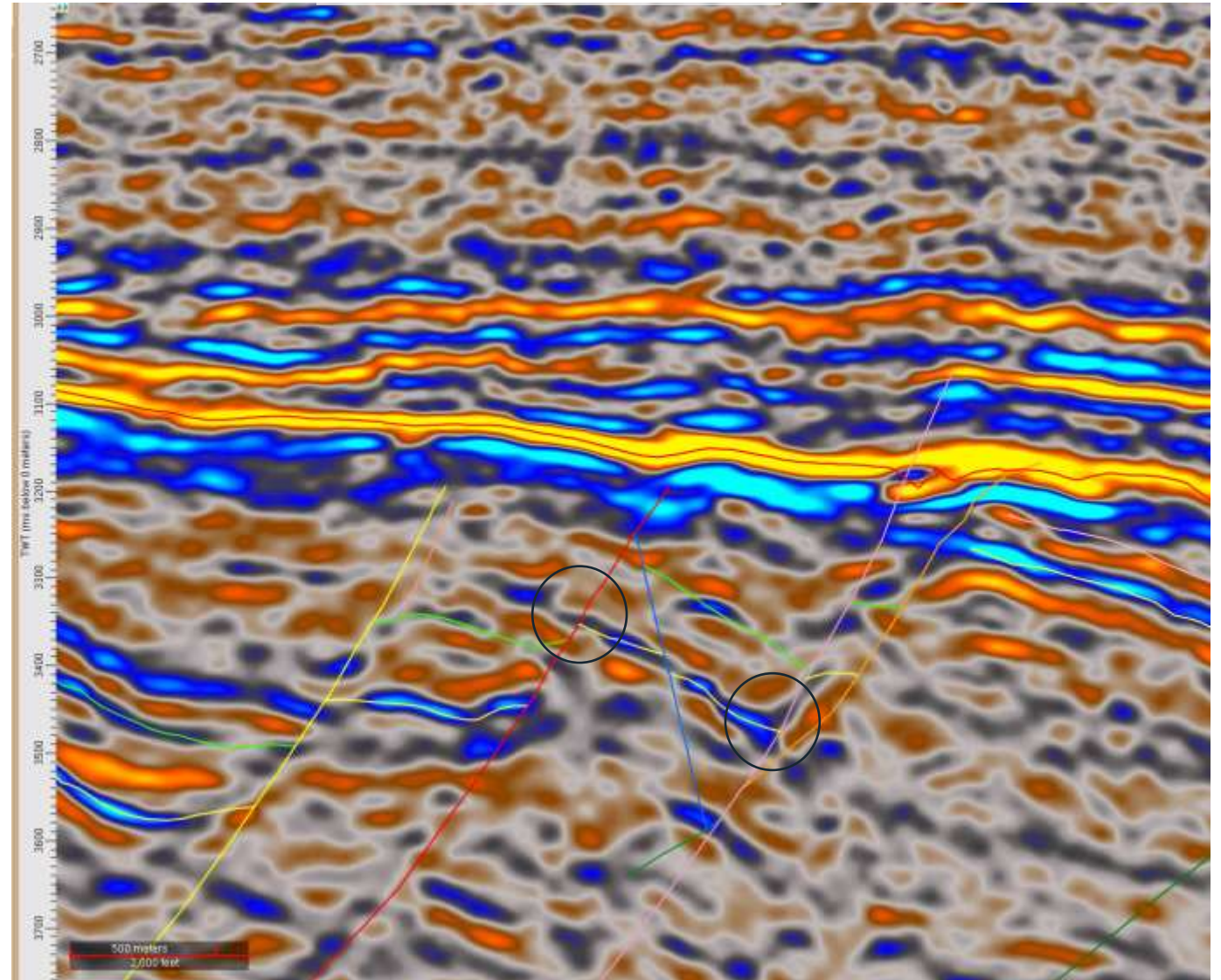
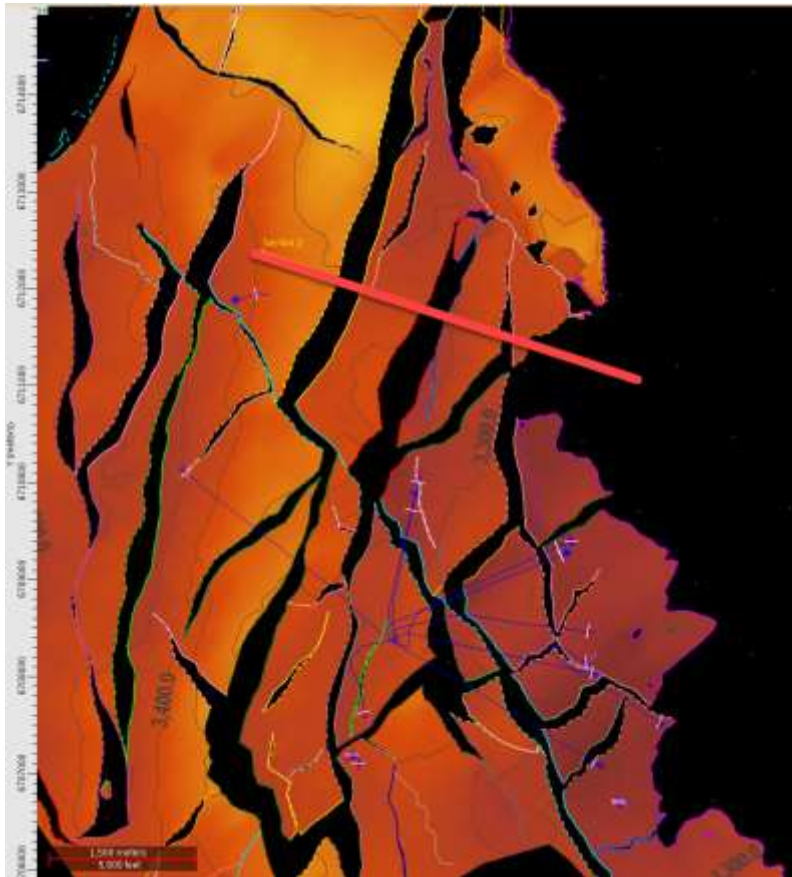
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Seismic cube: TO1301MLERQ18-Near AZ111



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Seismic section: West → East
Seismic cube: TO1301MLERQ18-Near AZ051



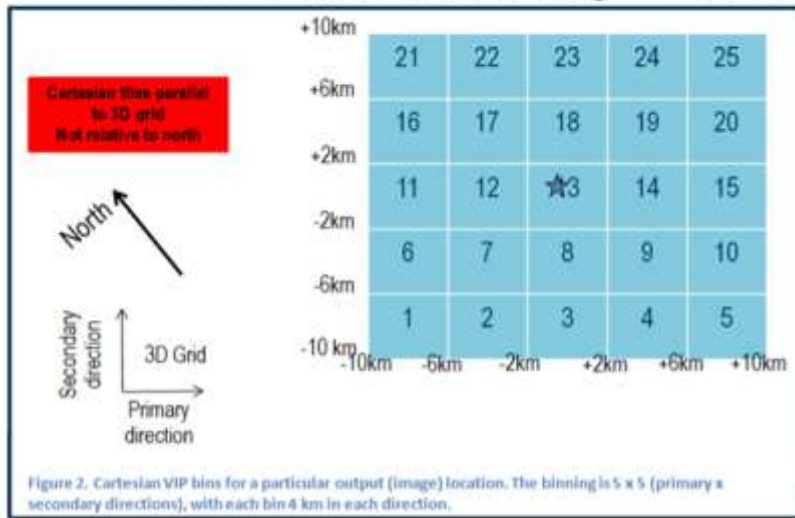
Establishing suitability of data for a possible MAZ

- MAZ processing requires fundamentally data from different azimuths
- The NPD factpages are excellent for acquisition overview but they don't contain
 - The acquisition azimuth
 - The acquisition polygon (the polygon provided includes turns)
- The lack of this information requires companies to build their own database of polygons with all the required information
- Only then is it possible to take an AOI shapefile and list all the data that cover it and their respective azimuth
- To maximise the use of the seismic data on the NCS – some suggestions
 - Record the acquisition azimuth
 - Store the acquisition polygon, full fold polygon and migrated polygon

Using partitioned stacks to simulate potential MAZ uplift

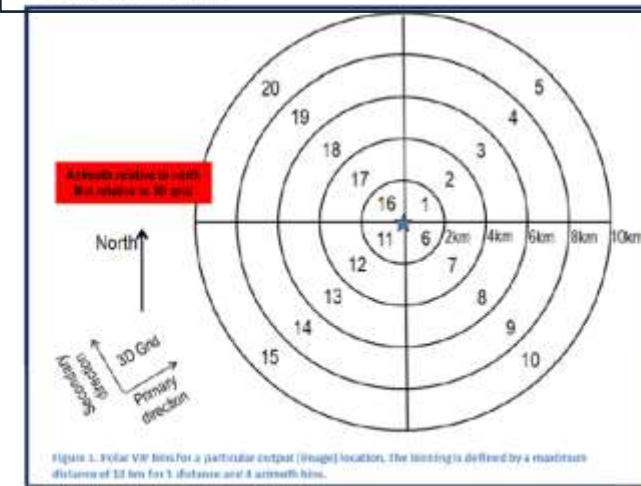
TYPES OF VIPs – Cartesian

- Rectangular (Cartesian)
 - Specified by the number of bins in both the primary & secondary directions
 - Orientated relative to the 3D grid, **NOT** relative to north.



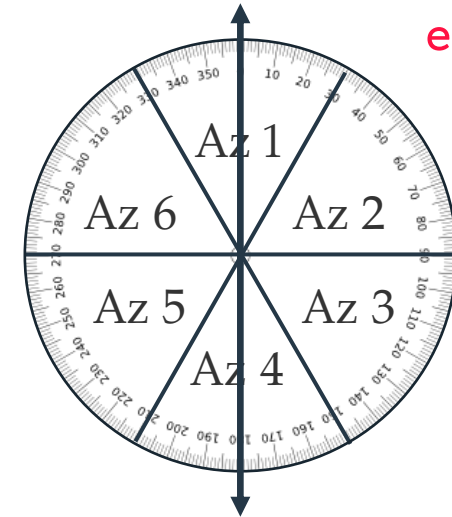
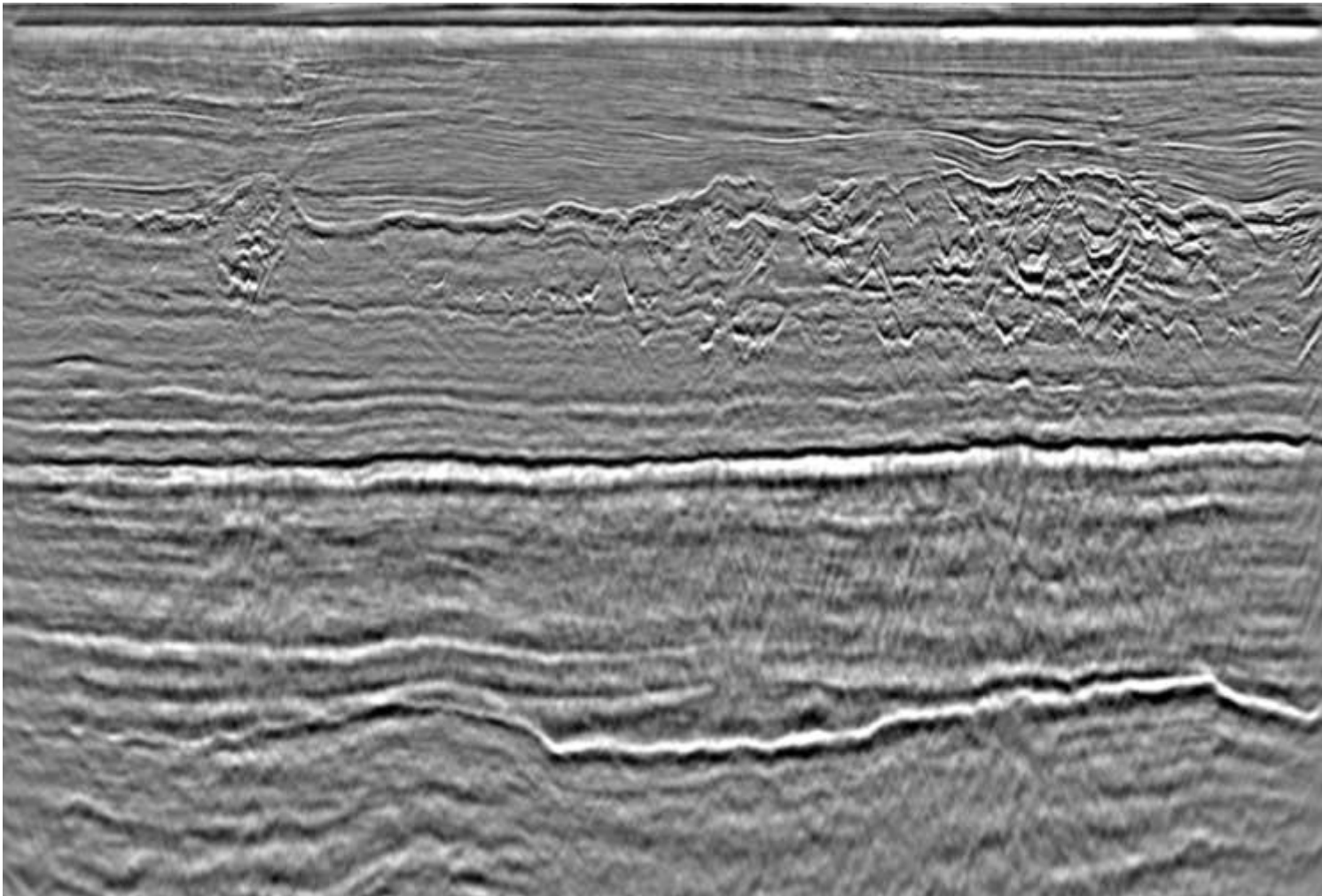
TYPES OF VIPs – Polar

- Cylindrical (Polar)
 - Specified by the number of bins and the maximum distance for the bins in both the primary & secondary directions
 - Orientated relative to the North, **NOT** relative to 3D grid orientation.



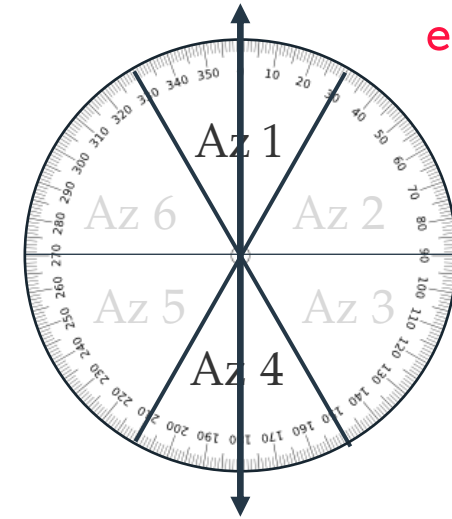
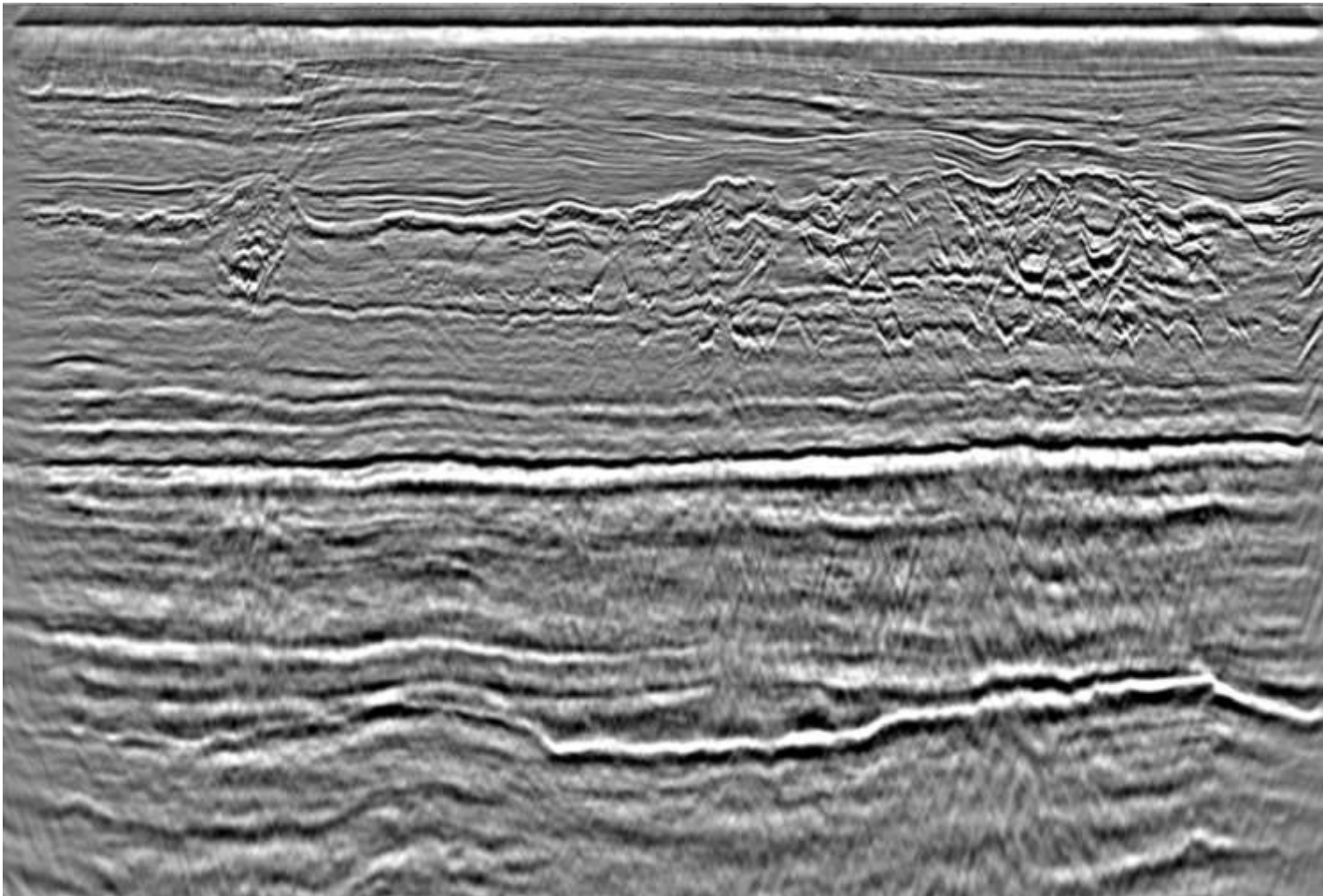
Using Polar VIPs, allows the relative contribution of other data on different azimuths to be evaluated

RTM Full Stack, CGG16001



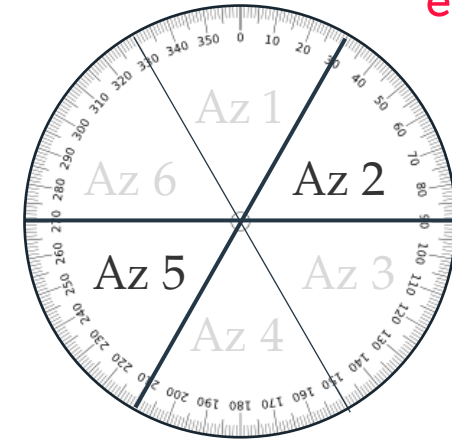
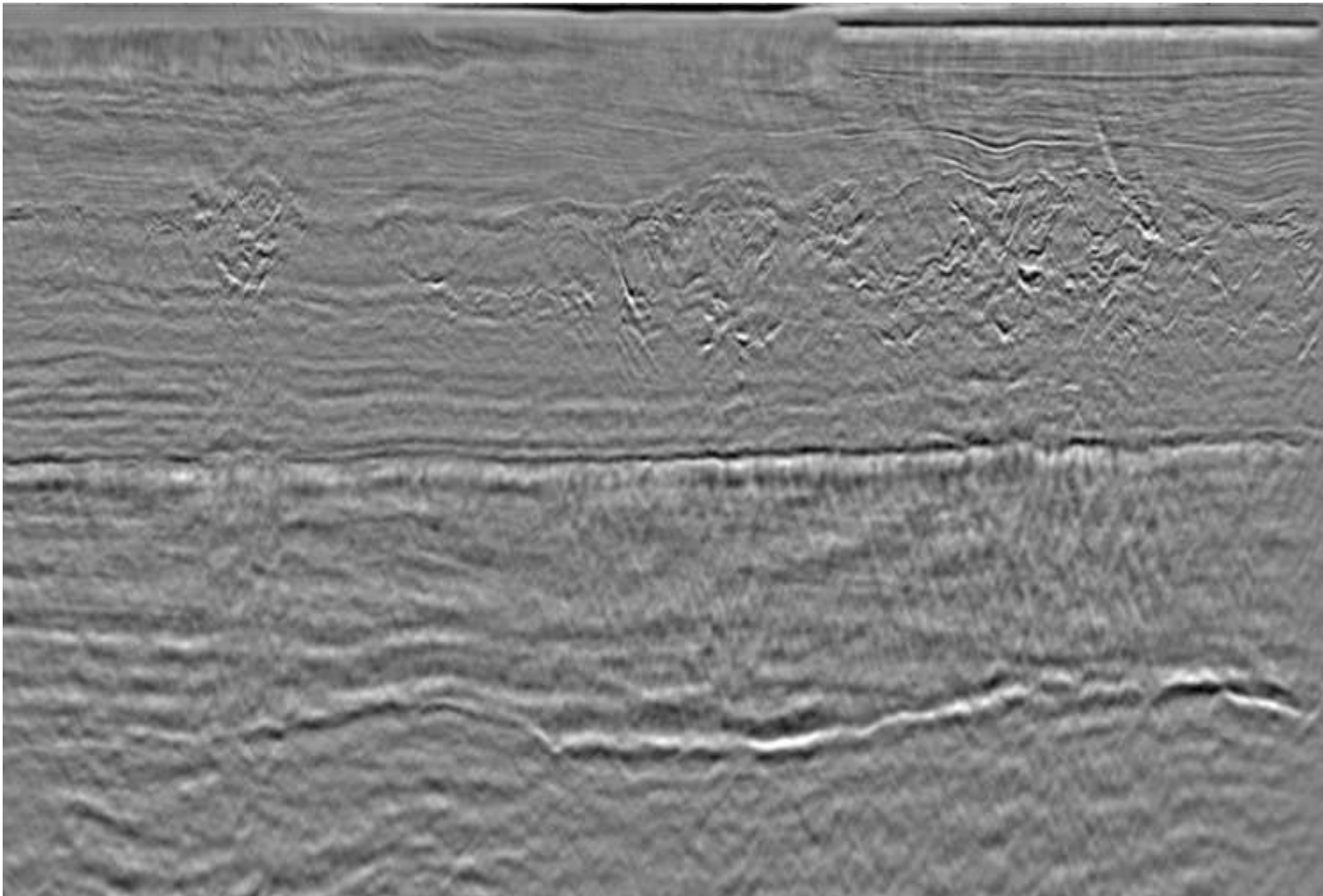
Acquisition direction N-S,
i.e. along Az1 – Az4

RTM Polar Vips Stack, Az 0/180

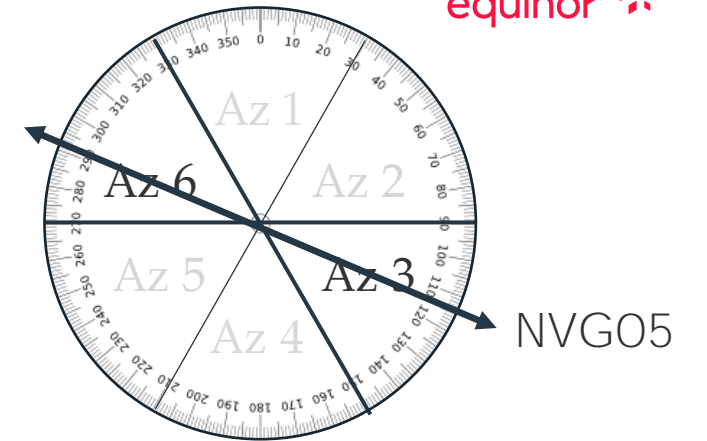
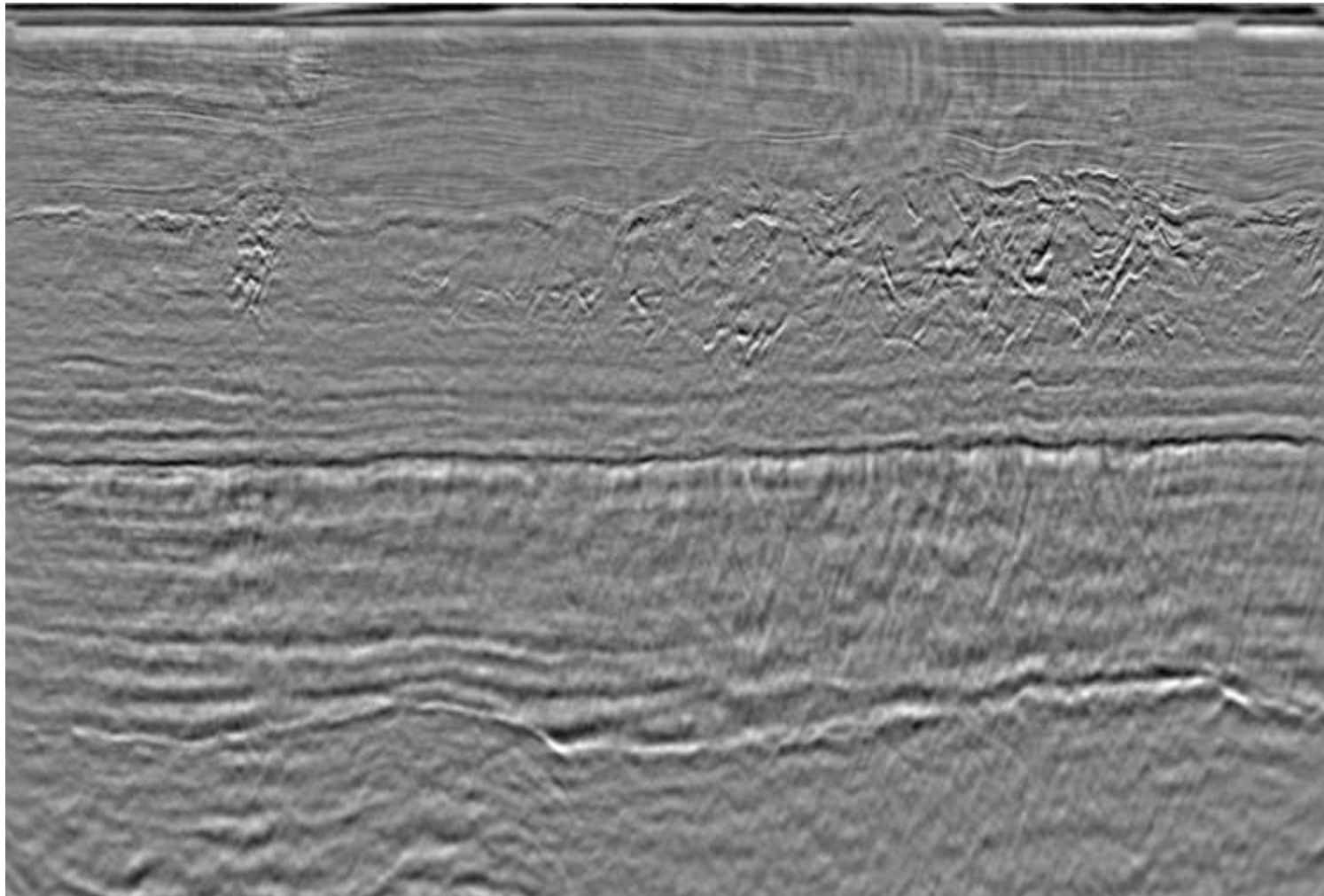


CGG16001

RTM Polar Vips Stack, Az 60/240



RTM Polar Vips Stack, Az 120/300



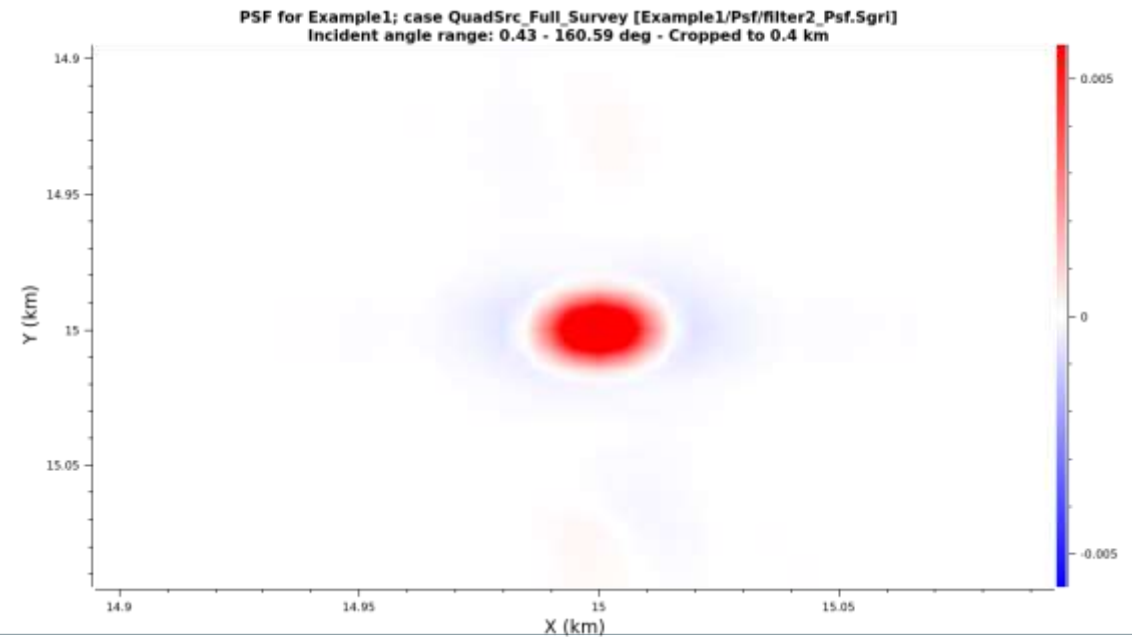
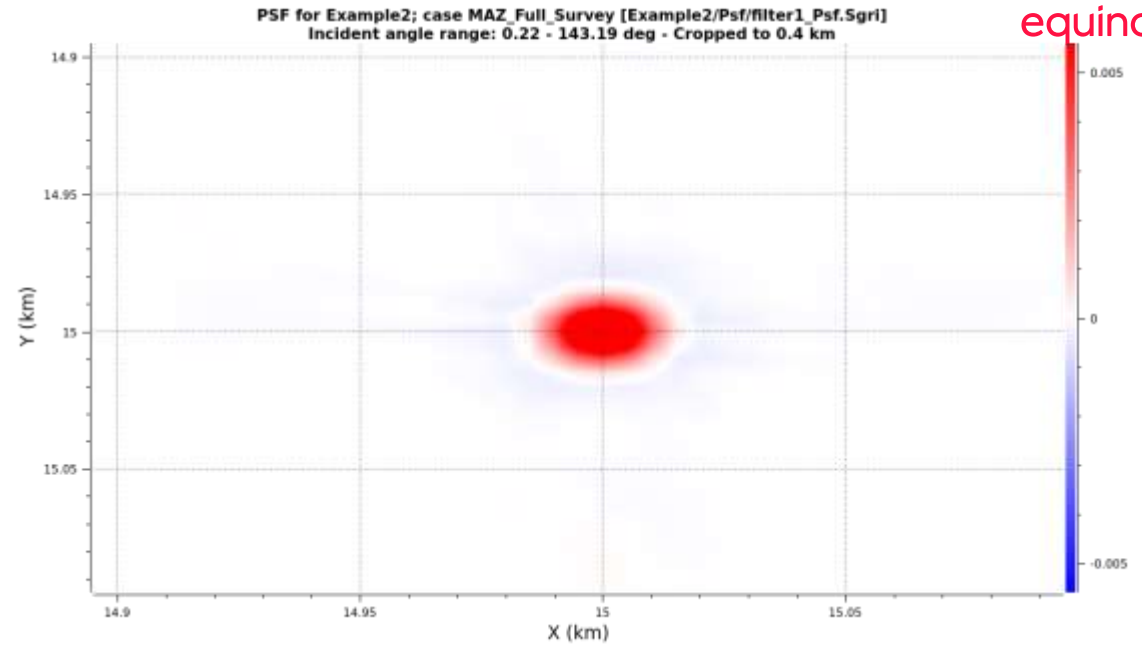
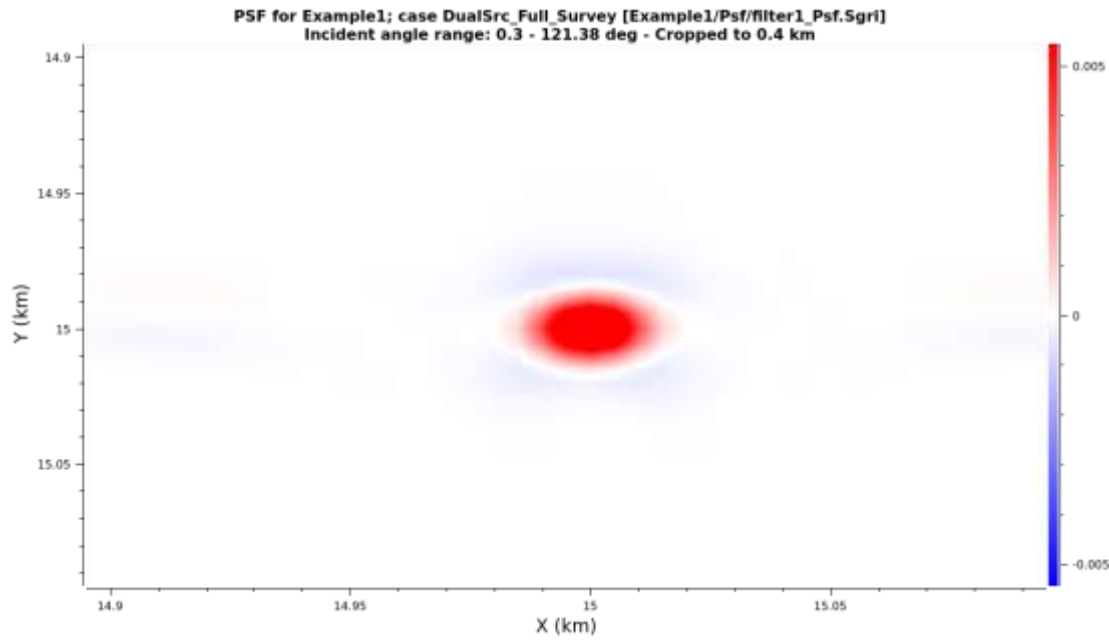
Point Spread Functions

- Ability to test the effect of different acquisition geometries
- Possible to analyse the vertical and lateral resolution at the target level

But

- There must be a good PSDM model available to generate representative wave propagation information to yield meaningful results

Example use of PSFs



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Examples of multi-azimuth processing and how to analyse potential uplift

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