

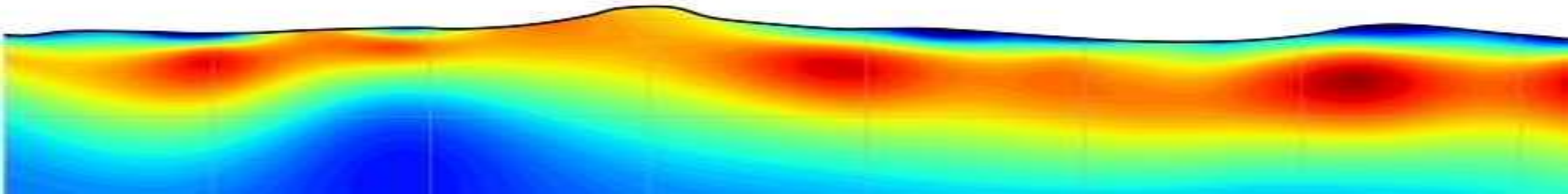
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Gravity, Magnetic, Electrical, Electromagnetic and Well Logging

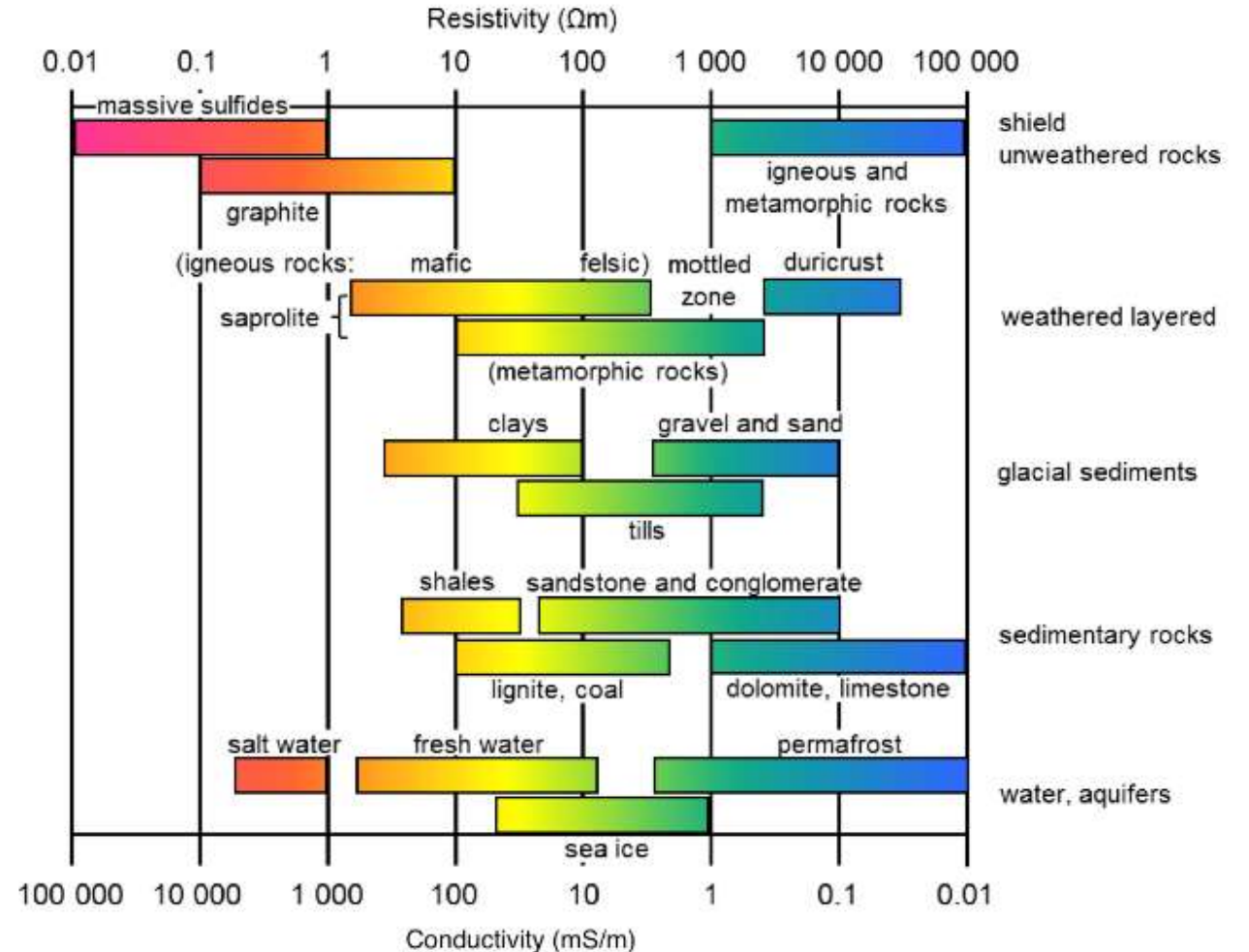
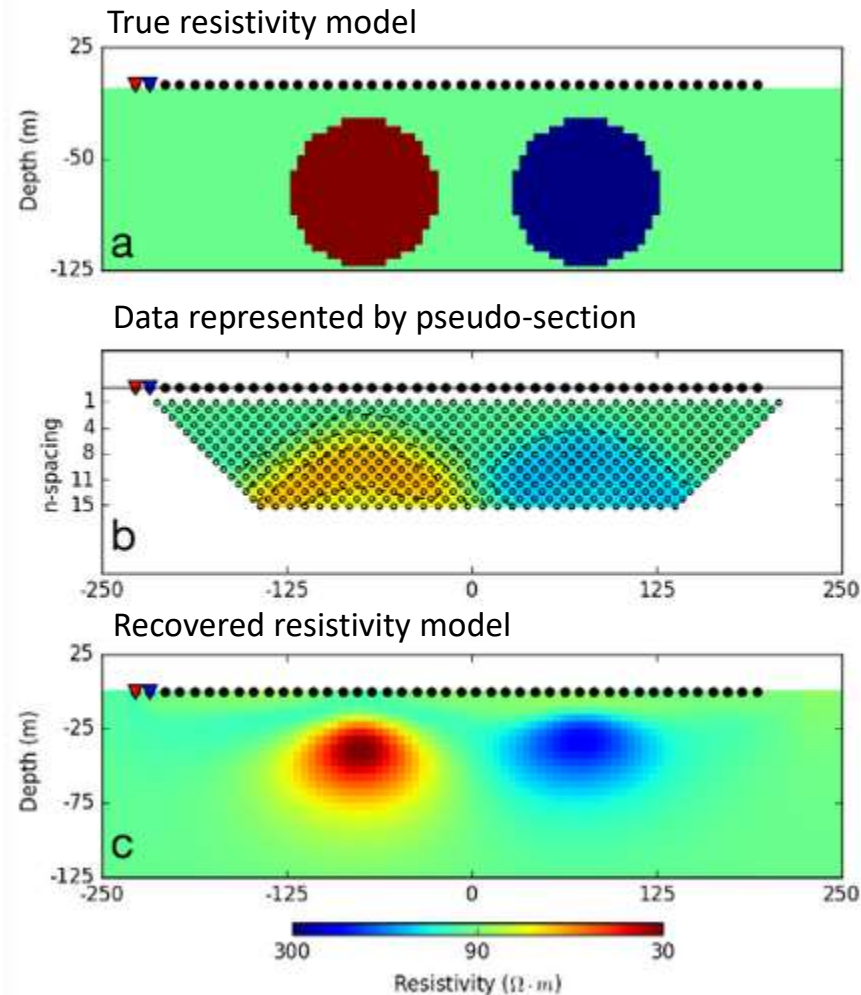
Electrical 3: Applications and IP

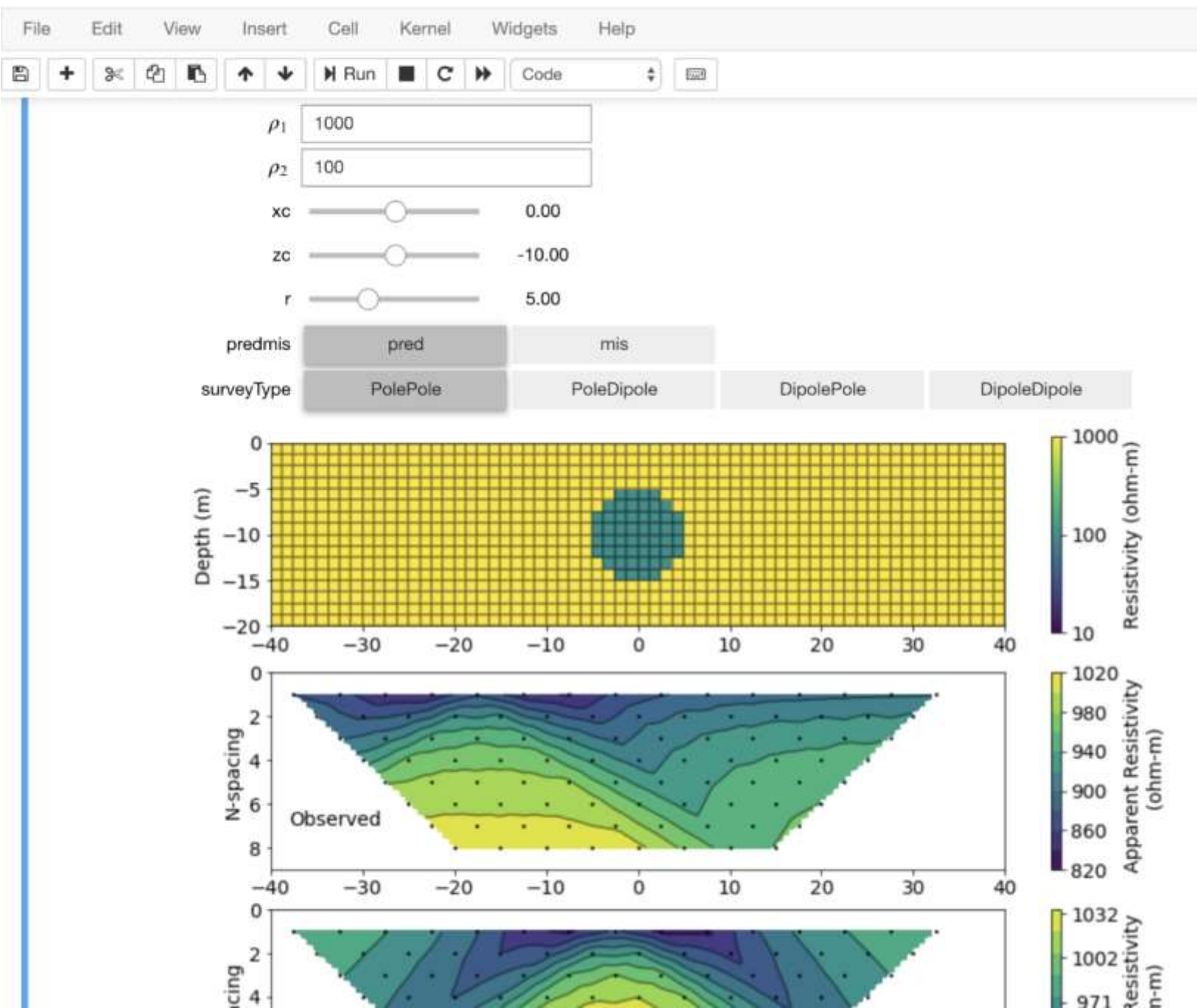
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Characterization of the Earth Using Resistivity





Exercise:

- Parameterize the model as a sphere (cylinder) in a uniform half-space
- Find a model that fits the observed data by interactive manual inversion (trial-and-error method)

Model section

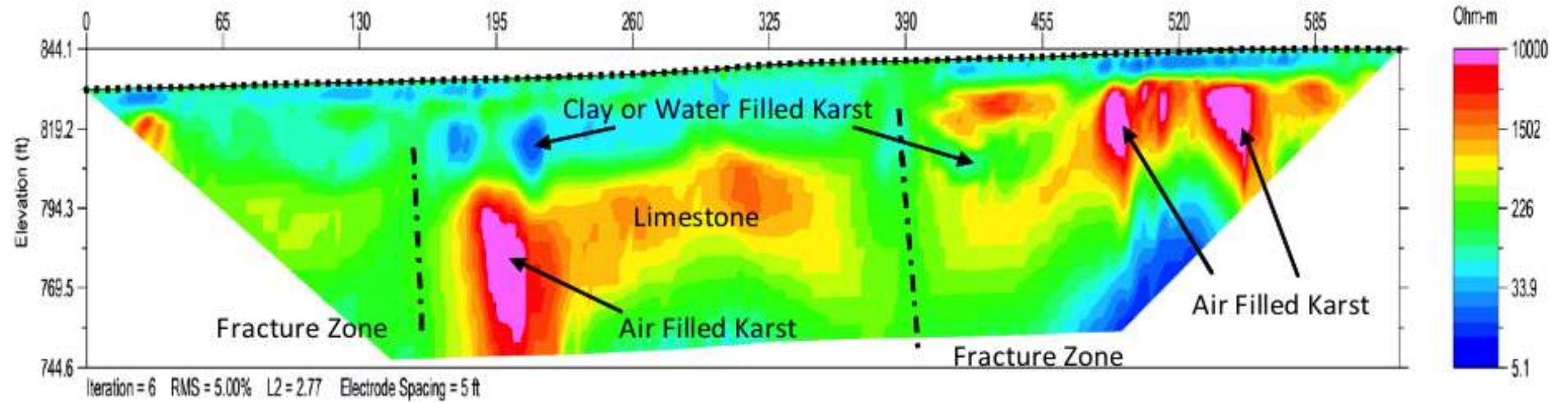
Observed data

Predicted or simulated data

Environmental

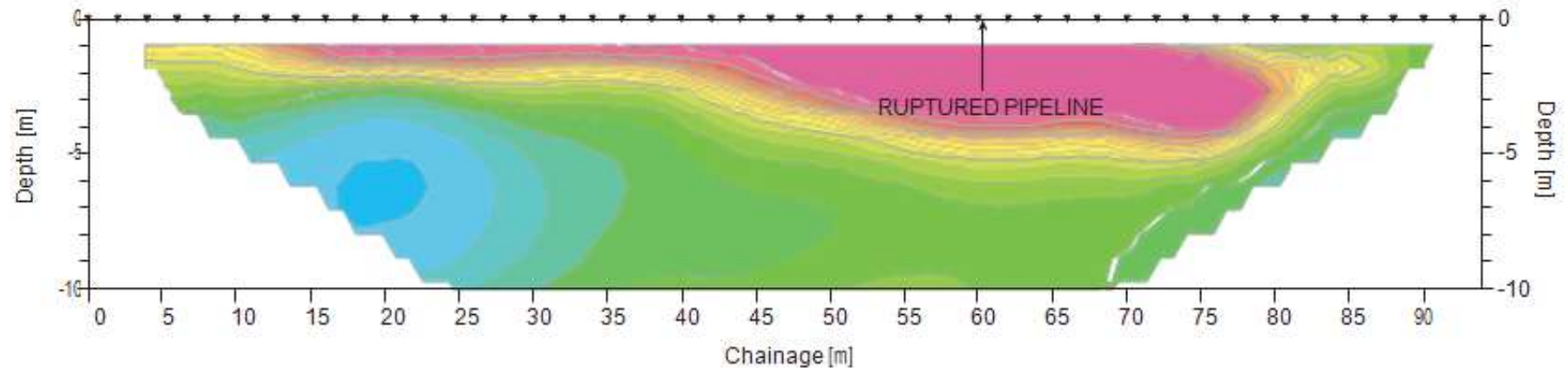
Karst

- Air-filled
- Water-filled

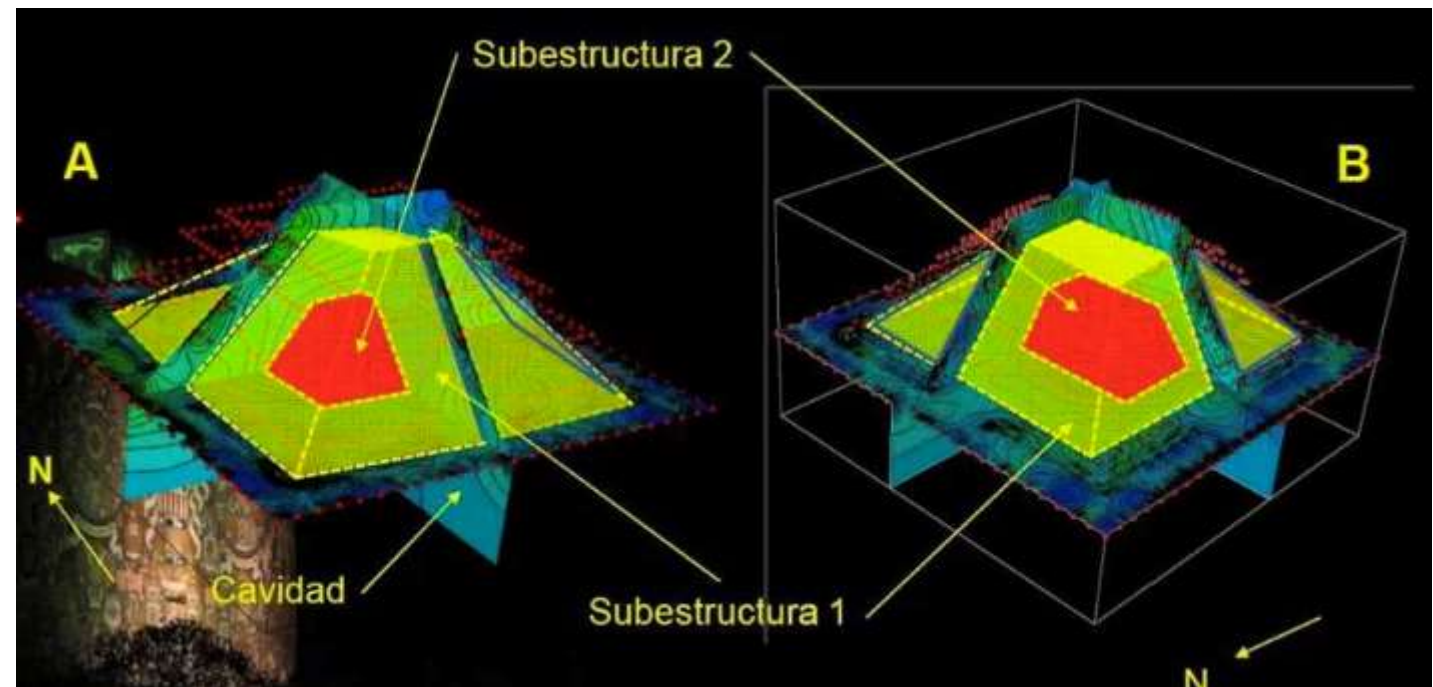
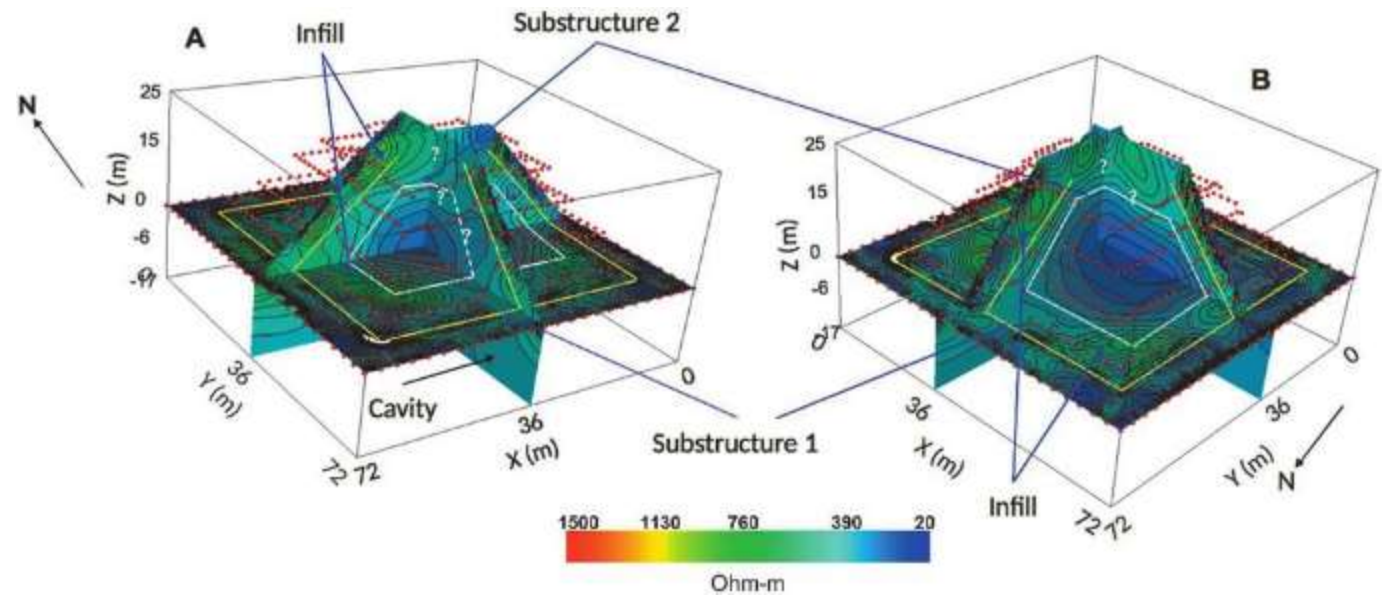
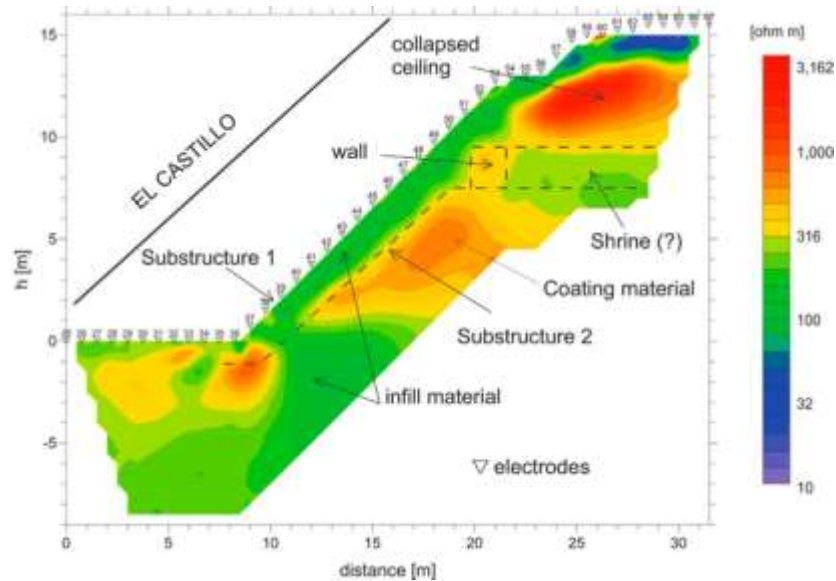


Oil spill

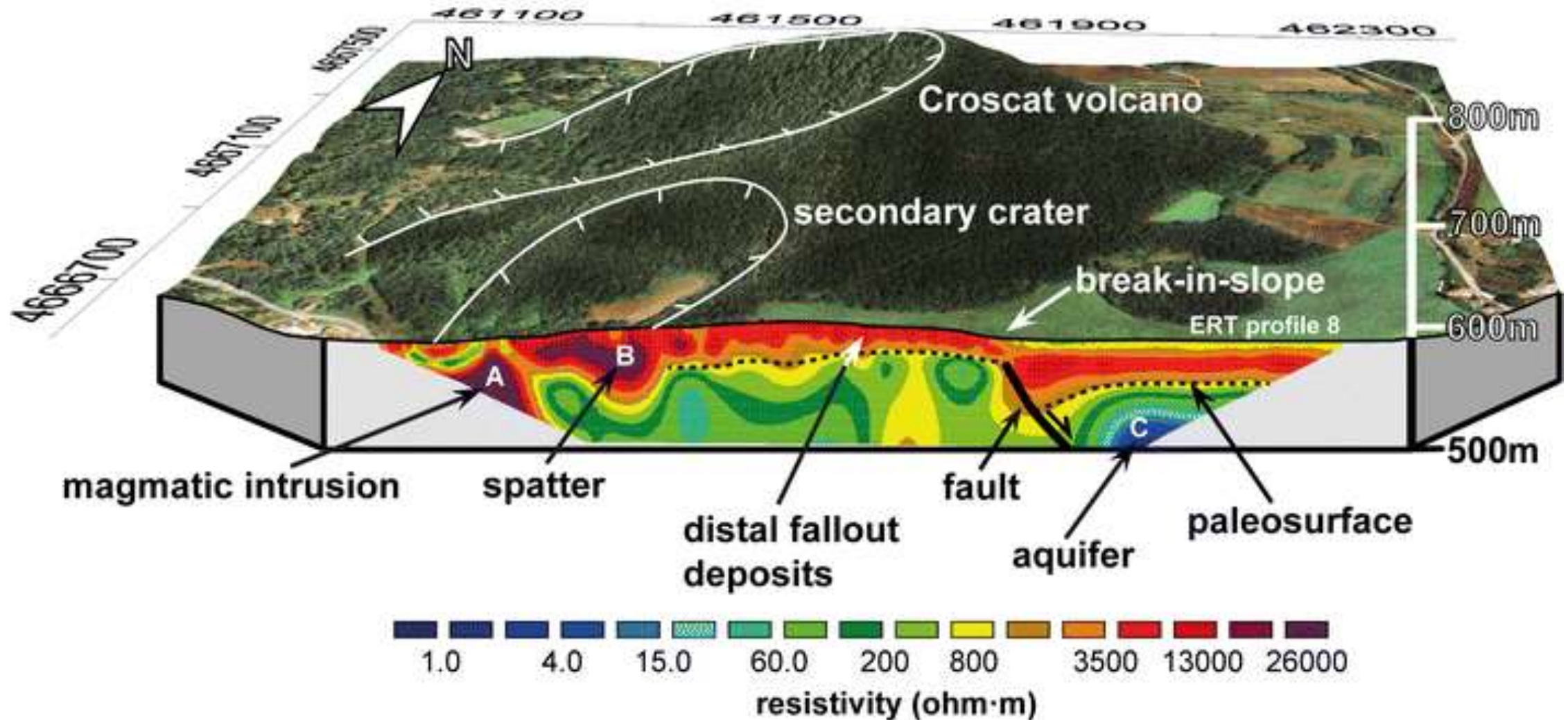
- Hydrocarbon: resistive



Archaeology

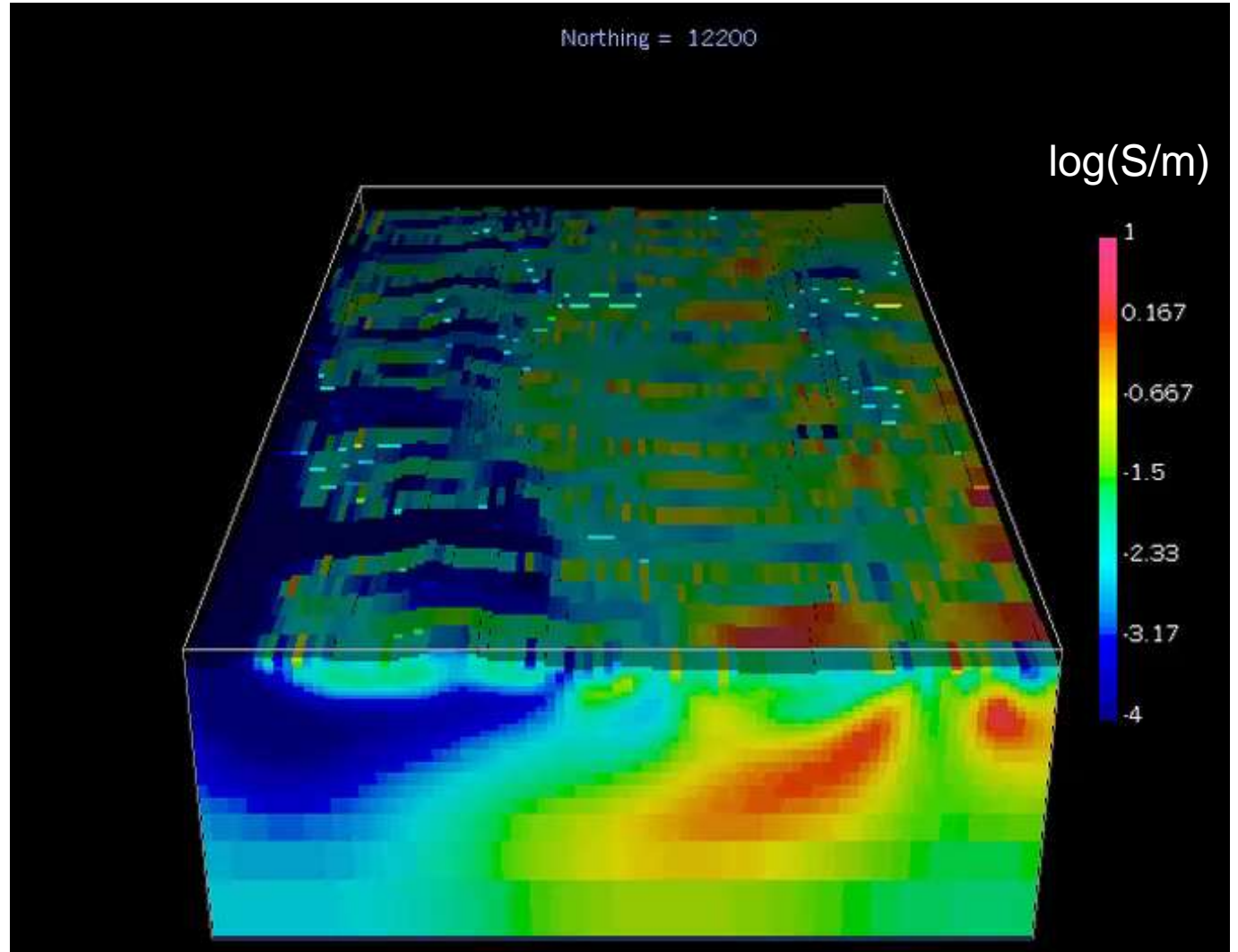
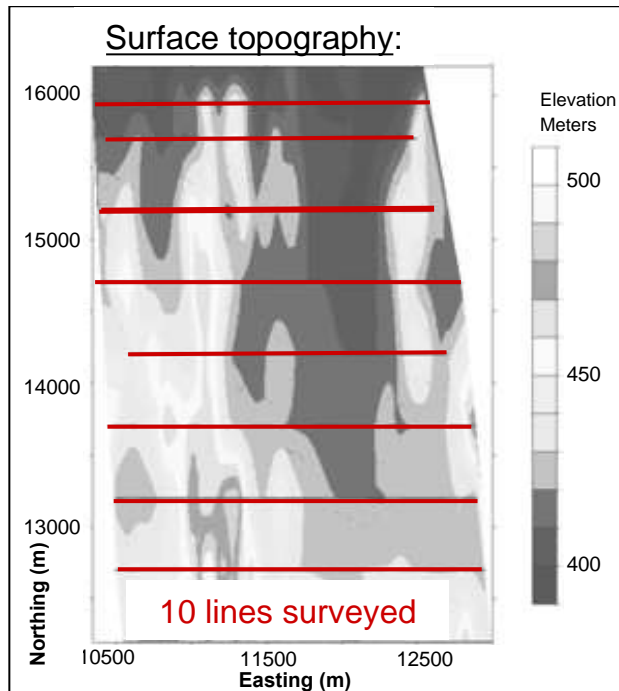
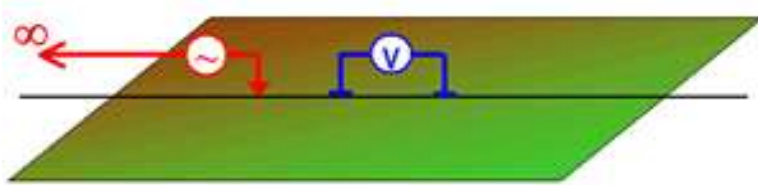


Volcano

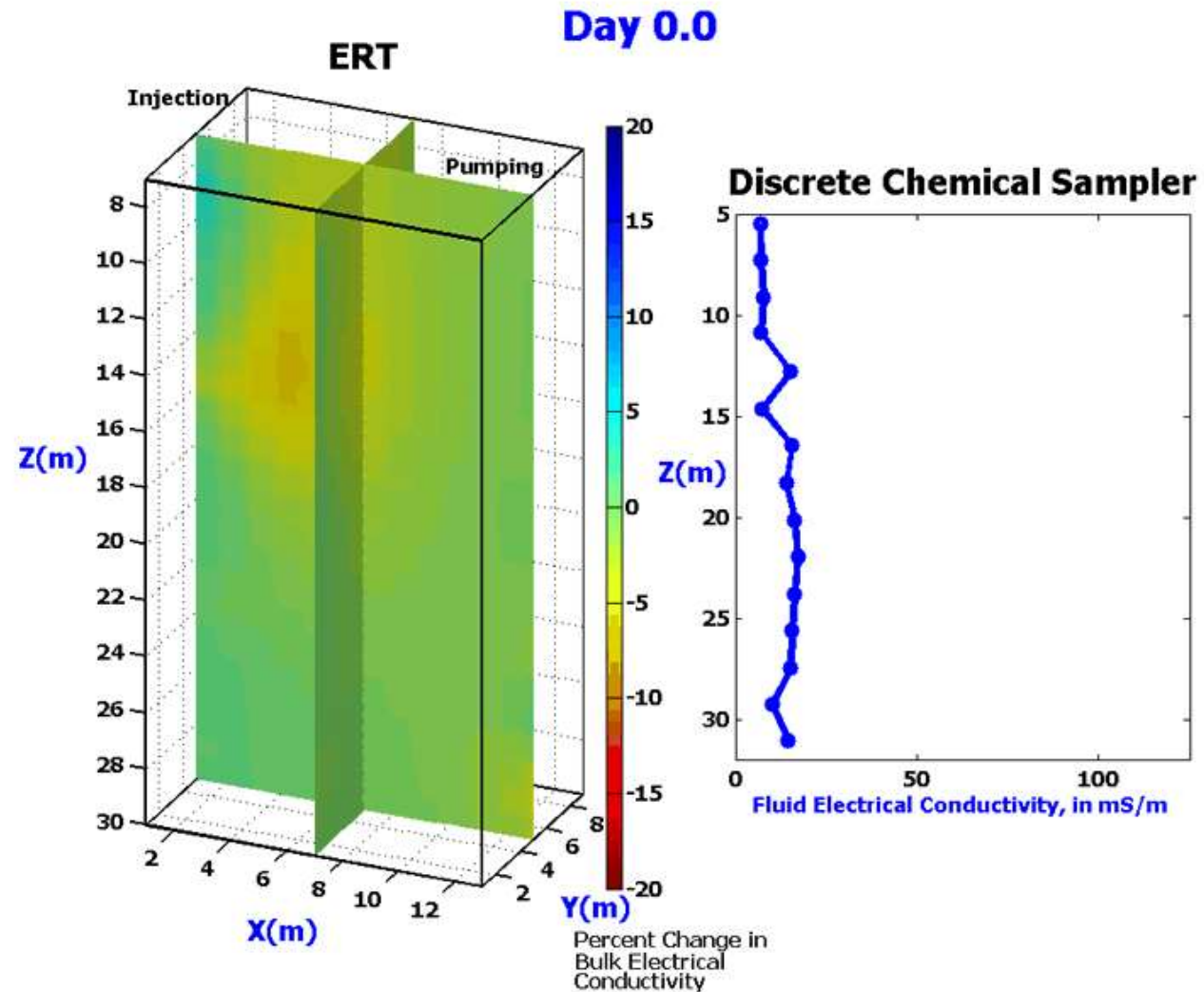


3D Electrical Imaging for Mining Exploration

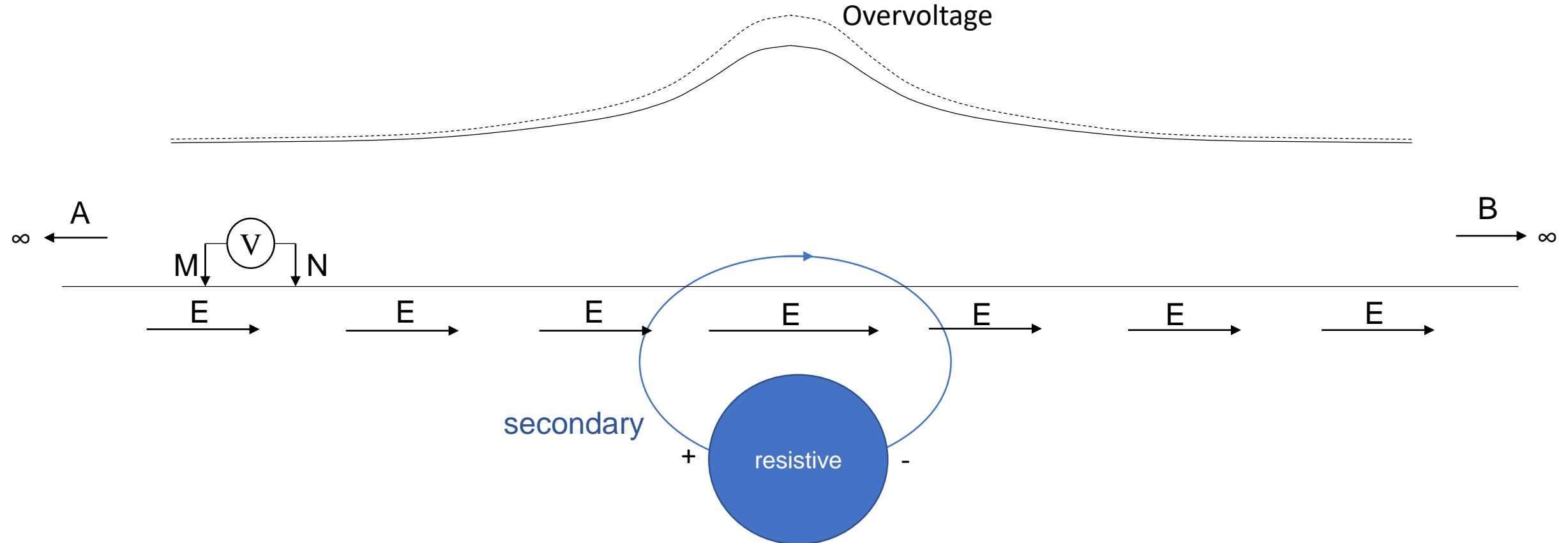
Pole-dipole



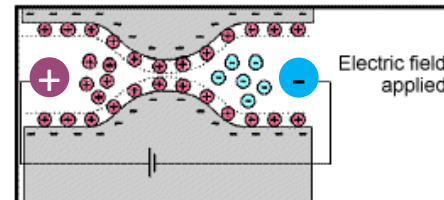
4D ERT for Hydrological Monitoring



Induced Polarization (IP)



- If narrow pore throats exist
- Ions accumulate at narrows in response to external field
- Additional electrical dipole moment
- Cause overvoltage in measured potentials



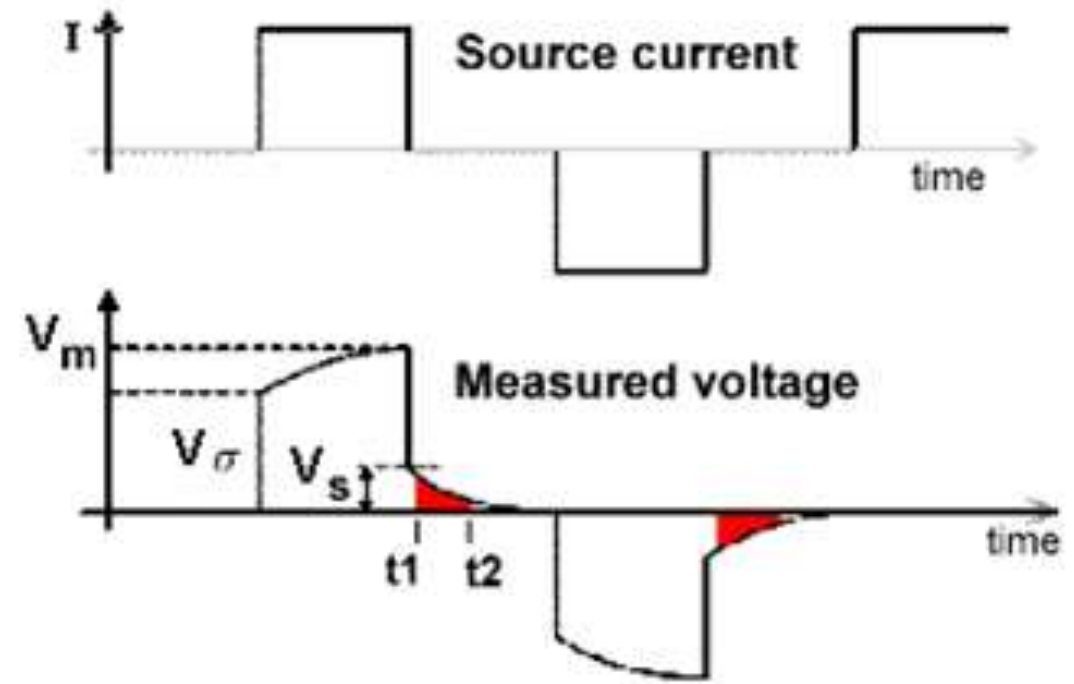
IP Effect in DC Data

- 1) Voltage applied by transmitter
→ instantaneous (V_σ) increase due to ρ
- 2) Voltage increases as ions accumulate:

$$V_{off}(t) = V_s e^{-t/\tau}$$

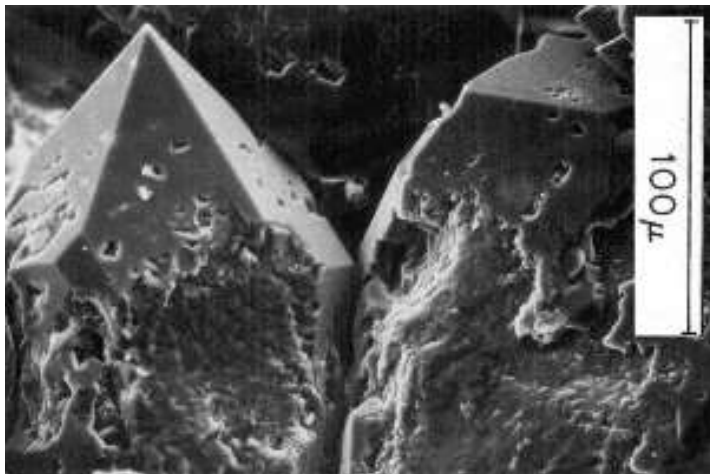
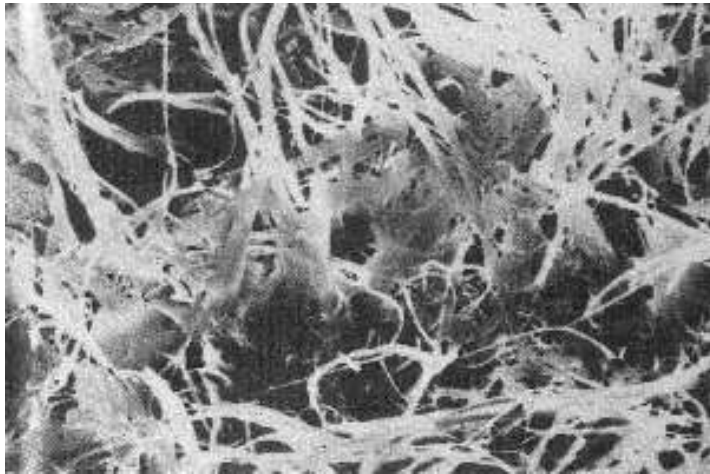
- 3) Saturation of ionic charges
→ DC voltage ($V_m = V_\sigma + V_s$)
- 4) Voltage from transmitter removed
→ instantaneous loss in secondary potential (equal to V_σ)
- 5) IP voltage discharges during off-time

$$V_{on}(t) = V_\sigma + V_s [1 - e^{-t/\tau}]$$

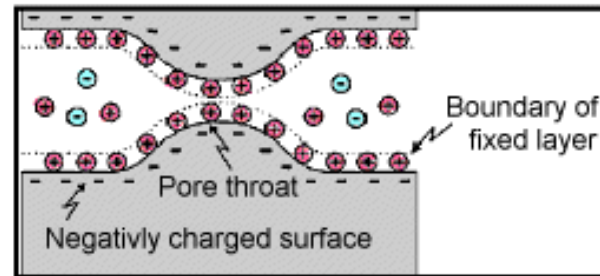


	Not chargeable	Chargeable
Source (Amps)		
Potential (Volts)		

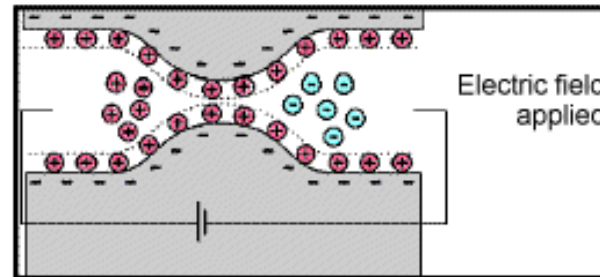
Chargeability – Capability of Holding Charges



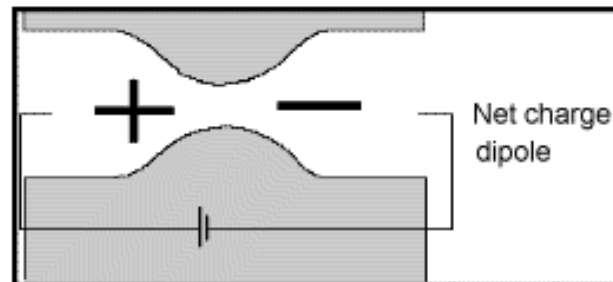
Type 1: Membrane polarization - ions accumulate at pore throat



Equilibrium State

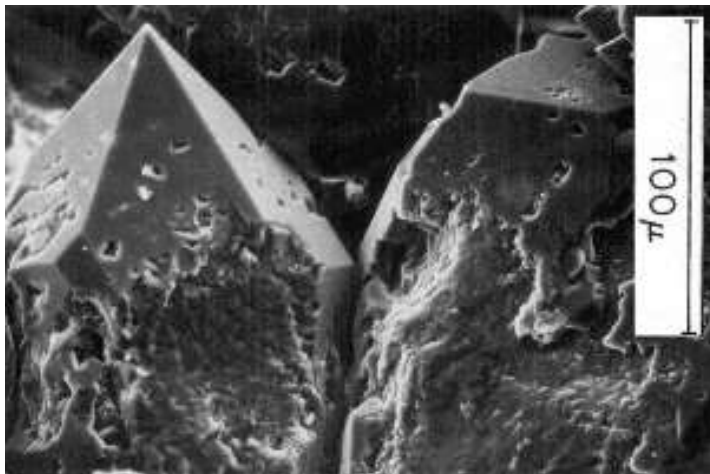
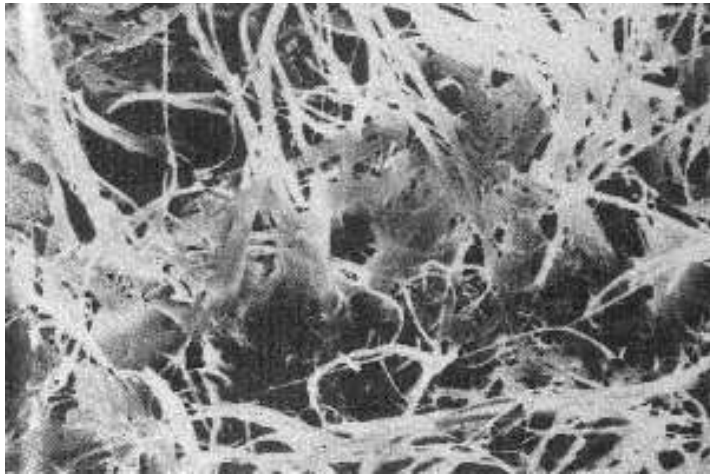


Voltage Applied

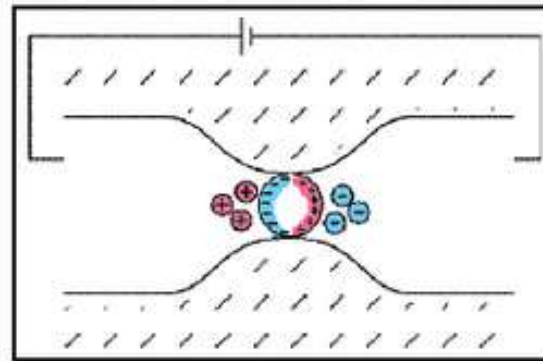


Separation of +ve and -ve ions

Chargeability – Capability of Holding Charges

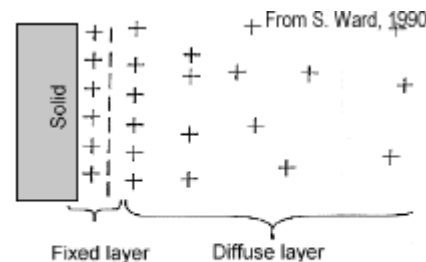


Type 2: Electrode polarization: Ions accumulate at metals



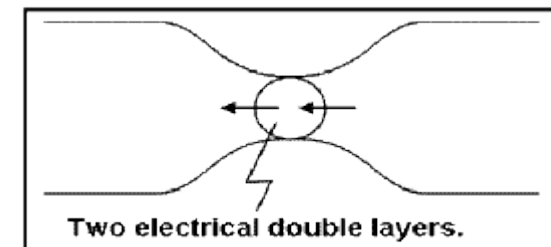
- Pore space is blocked by metallic particles
- Metallic particles become electrically charged and attract nearby ions
- This is why the waveform of dc survey switches polarity

Electric double layer



Hypothetical anomalous ion distribution near a solid-liquid interface.

Net electric dipole moment



Chargeability – A Diagnostic Physical Property

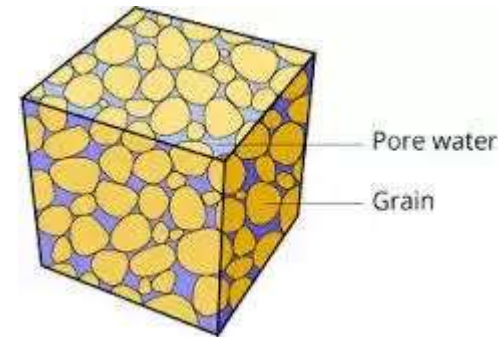
Chargeability is not thoroughly understood in theory but it is often related to:



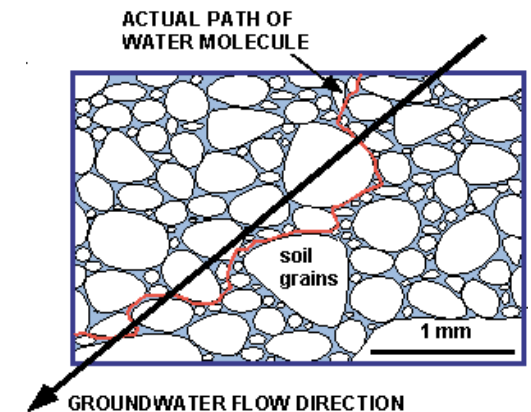
Sulphide Mineralization



Clays



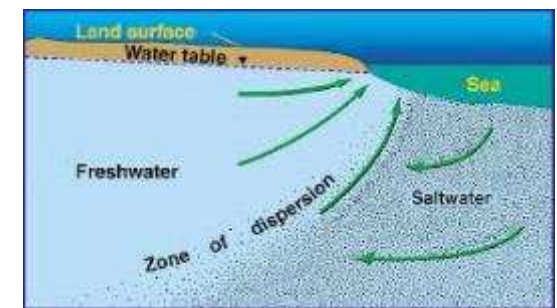
Pore-Water Salinity



Tortuosity

Use chargeability to characterize the earth:

- Environmental: Contamination, groundwater...
- Mining: Disseminated sulphides (porphyry)
- Oil/gas:

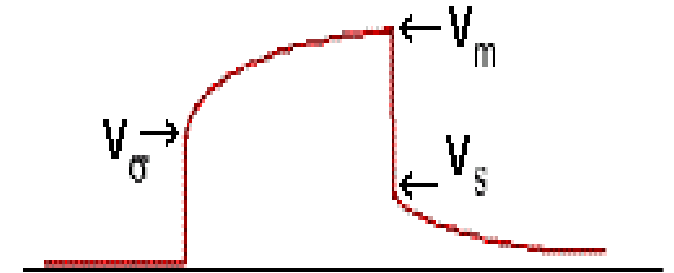


Time-domain IP Data

Intrinsic chargeability (dimensionless)

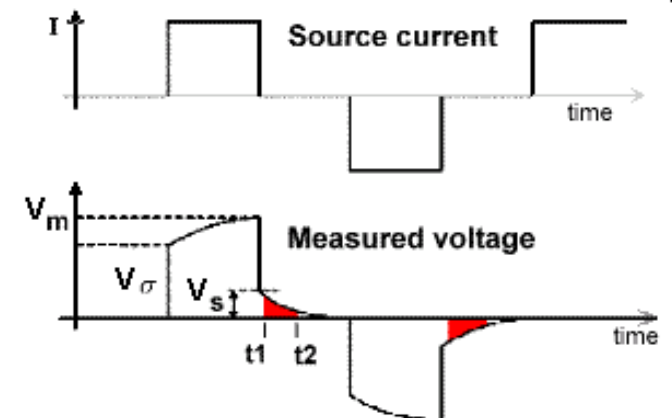
$$\eta = \frac{V_s}{V_m}$$

$$d_{IP} = \frac{V_s(t)}{V_m} \quad \text{mV/V}$$



Integrate over the decay (discharge period)

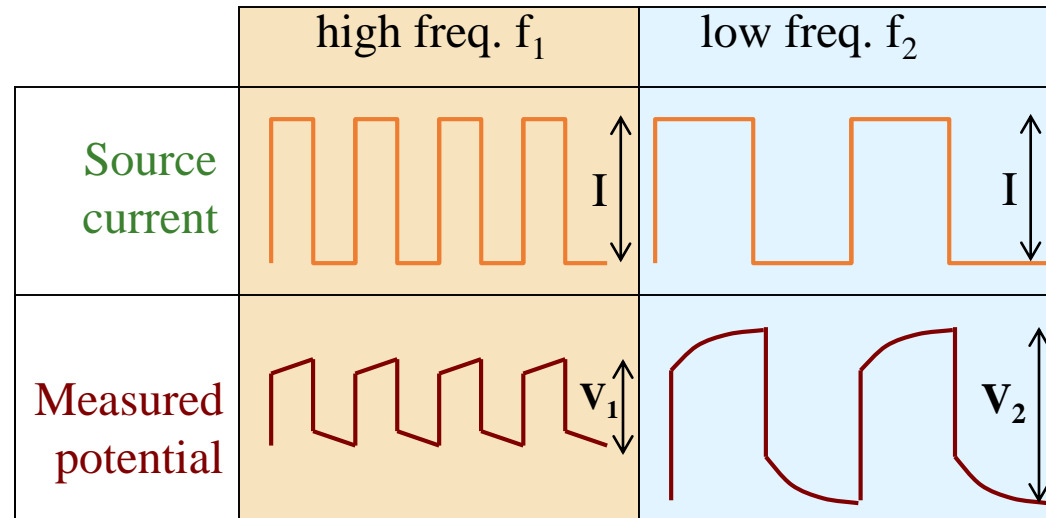
$$d_{IP} = \frac{1}{V_m} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} V_s(t) dt \quad (\text{msec})$$



Frequency-domain IP Data

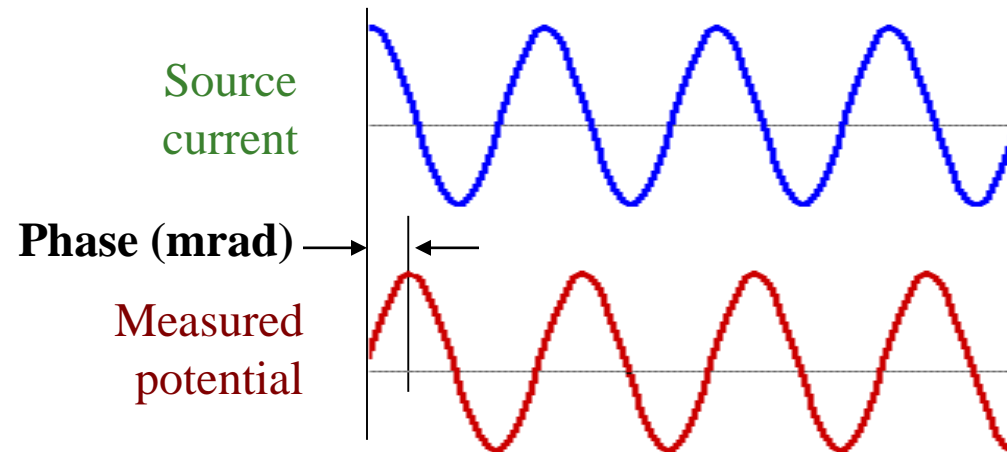
Percent frequency effect:

$$d_{IP} = PFE = 100 \left(\frac{\rho_{a2} - \rho_{a1}}{\rho_{a1}} \right)$$

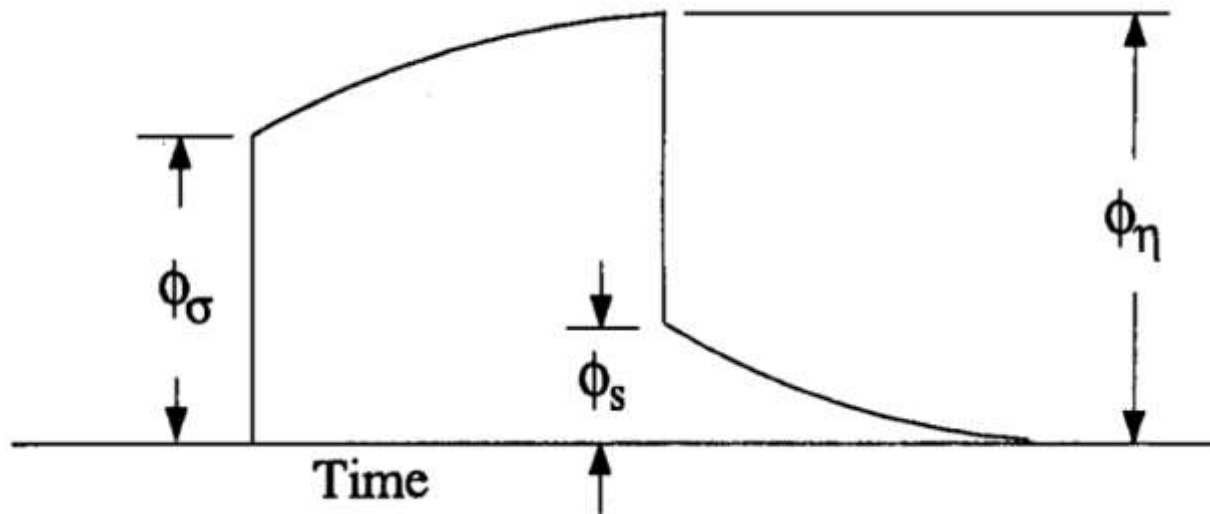


Phase:

$$d_{IP} = \text{phase (mrad)}$$



IP Modeling



Chargeability: alter conductivity

$$\sigma = \sigma(1 - \eta)$$

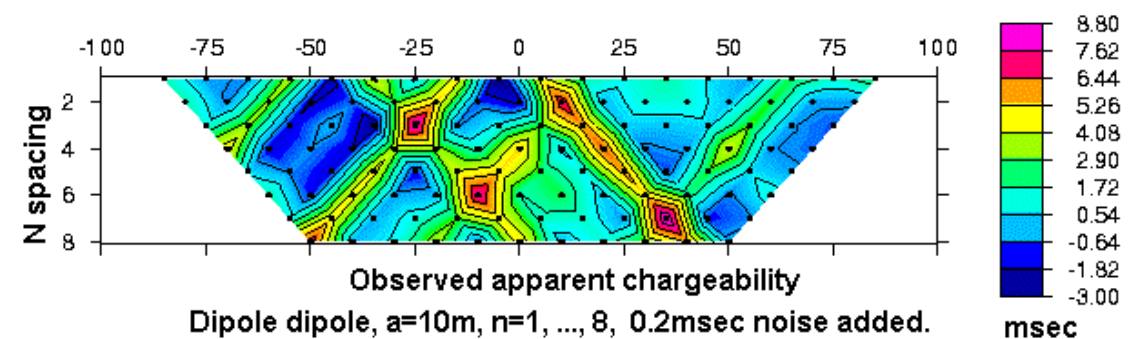
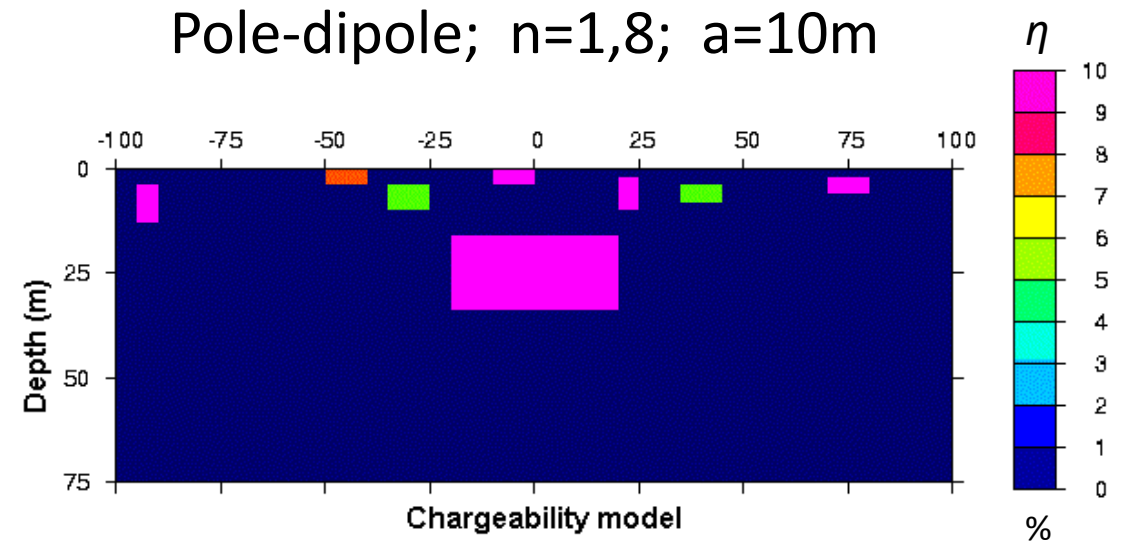
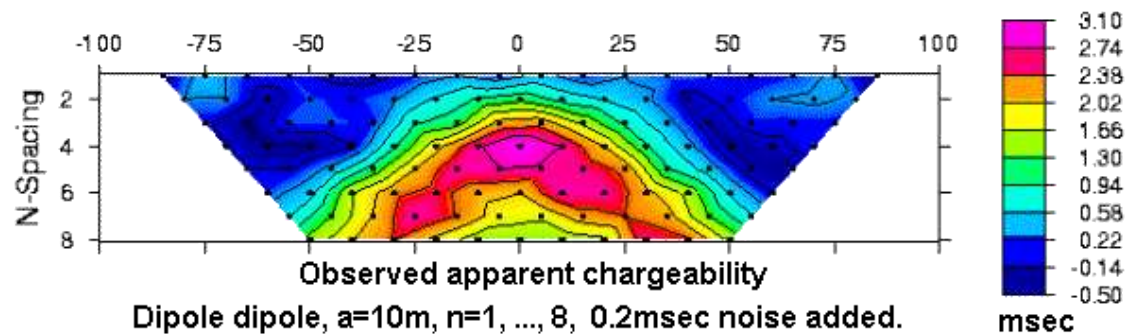
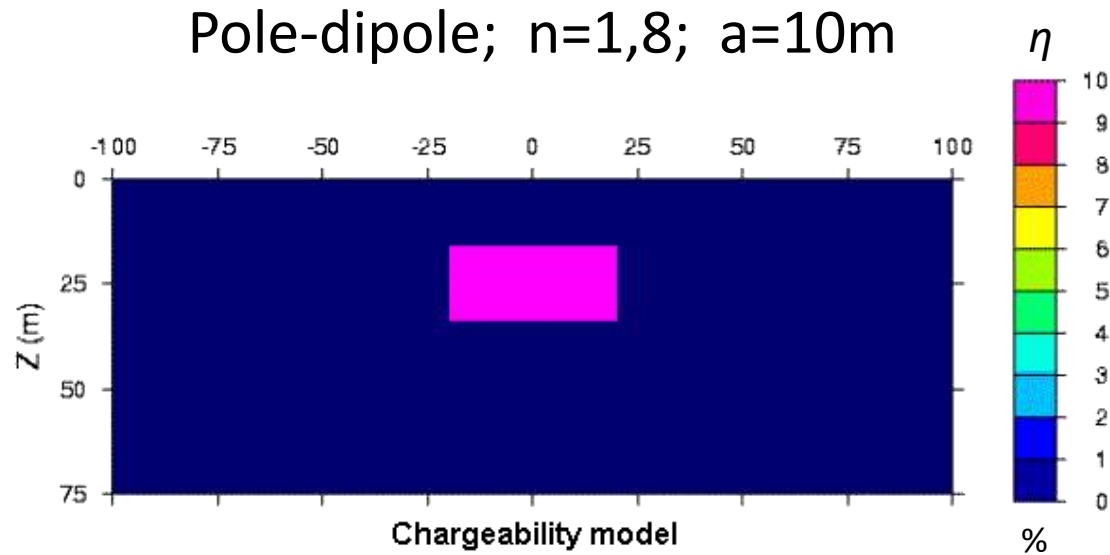
$$\phi_\eta = \mathcal{F}_{dc}[\sigma(1 - \eta)]$$

Apparent chargeability

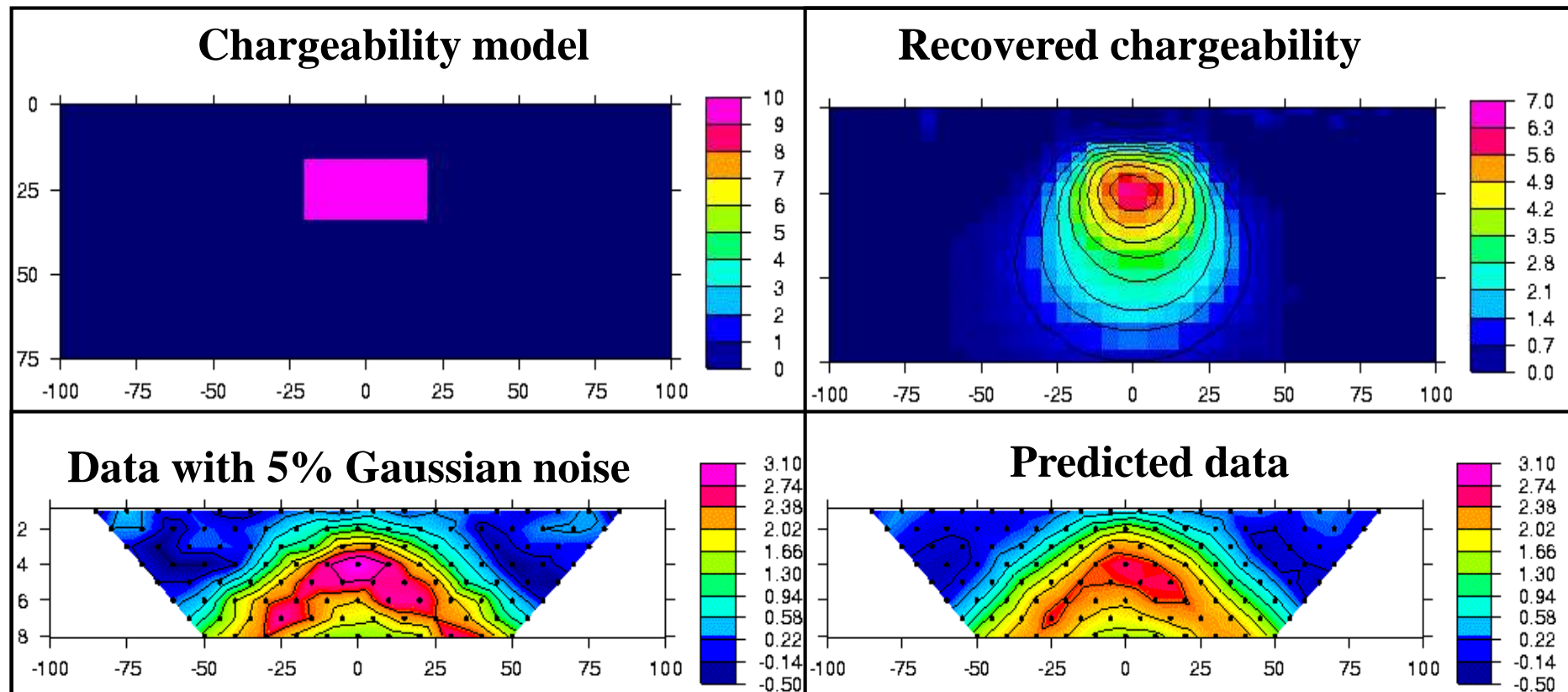
$$\eta_a = \frac{\phi_s}{\phi_\eta} = \frac{\phi_\eta - \phi_\sigma}{\phi_\eta}$$

$$\eta_a = \frac{\mathcal{F}_{dc}[\sigma(1 - \eta)] - \mathcal{F}_{dc}[\sigma]}{\mathcal{F}_{dc}[\sigma(1 - \eta)]}$$

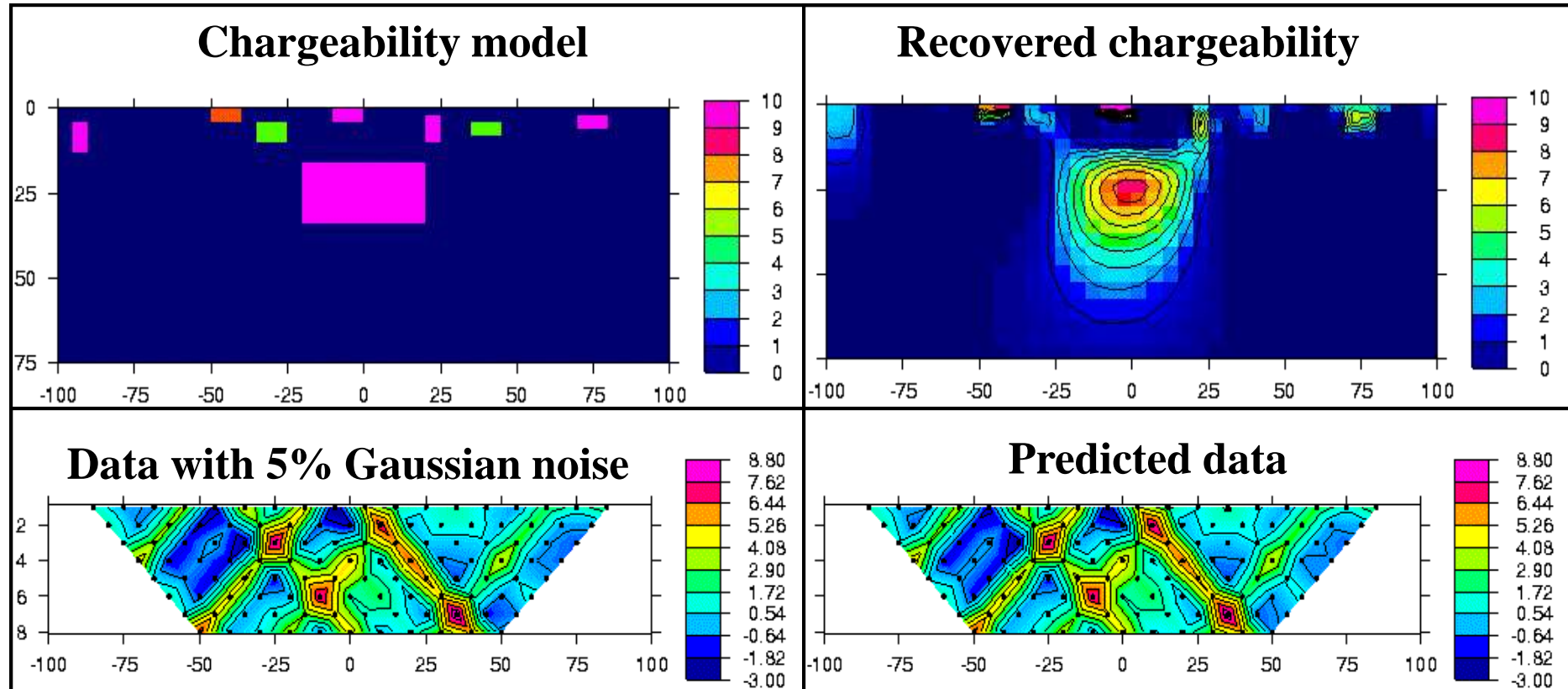
IP Data of Chargeable Blocks



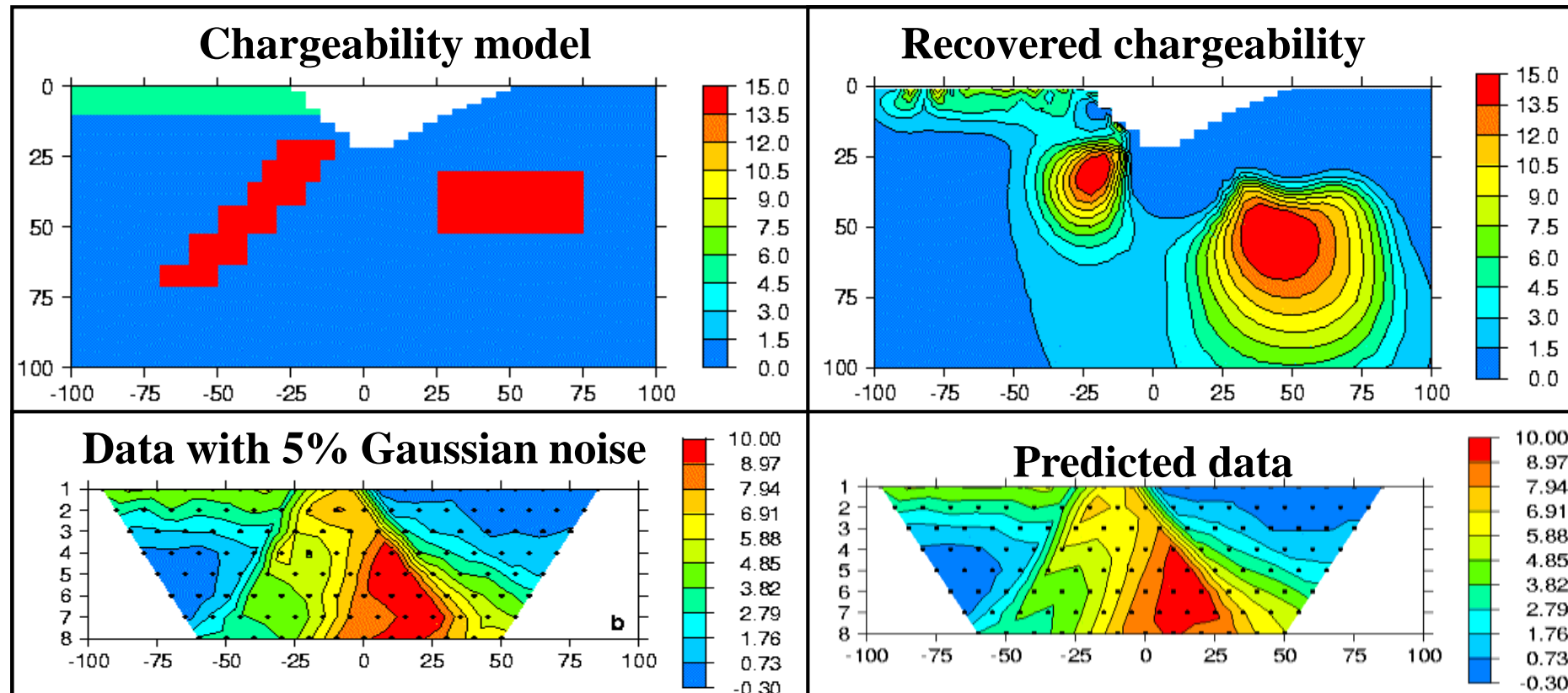
IP Inversion for Chargeability



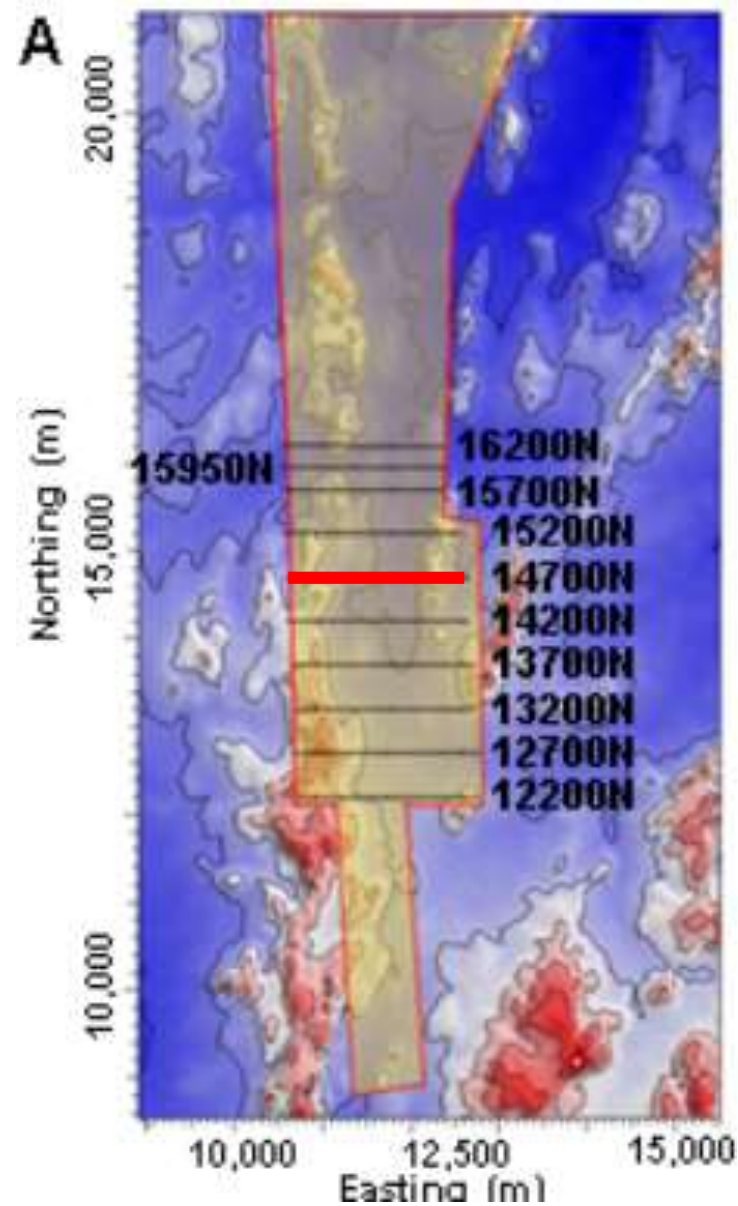
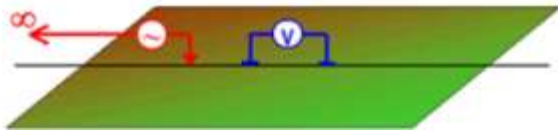
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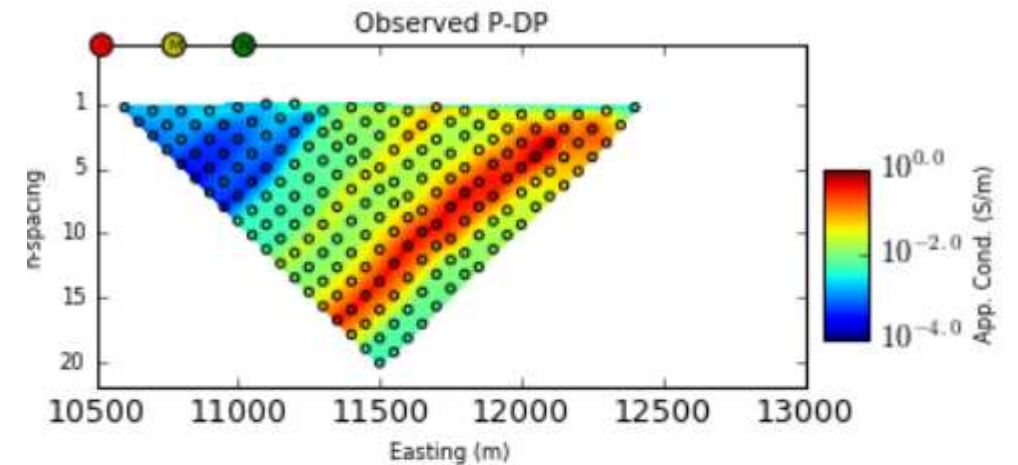
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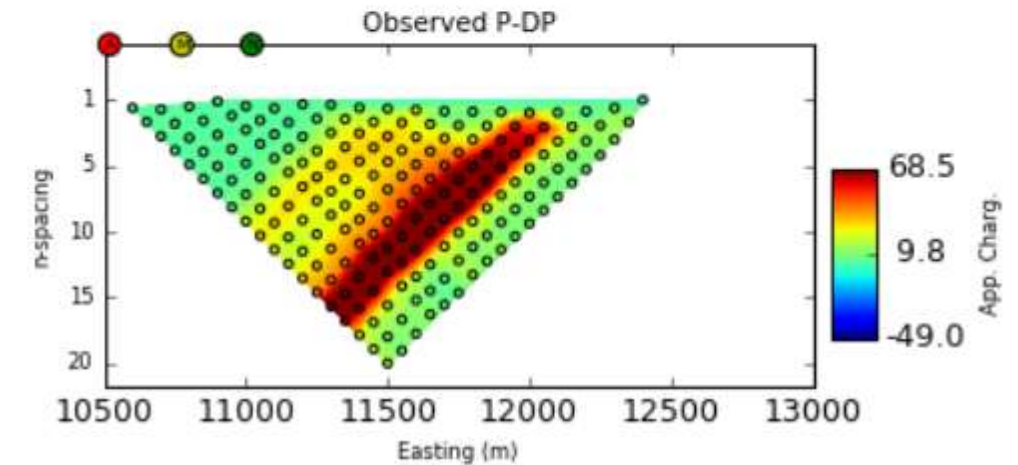
Mt. Isa Mineral Exploration



Conductivity pseudo-section

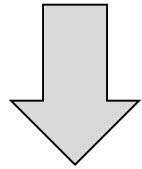


Chargeability pseudo-section

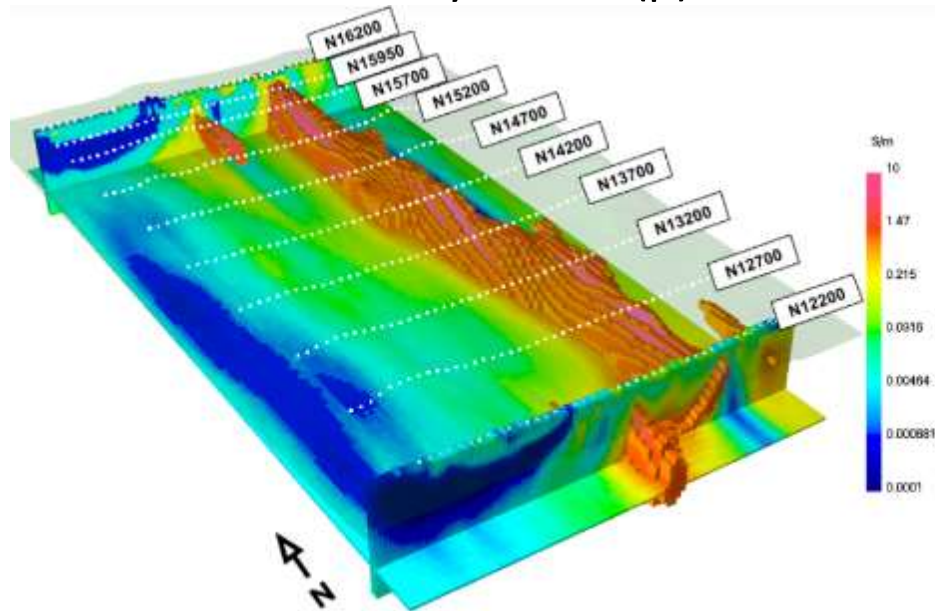


3D DC/IP Inversion

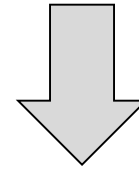
Apparent resistivity data (ρ_a)



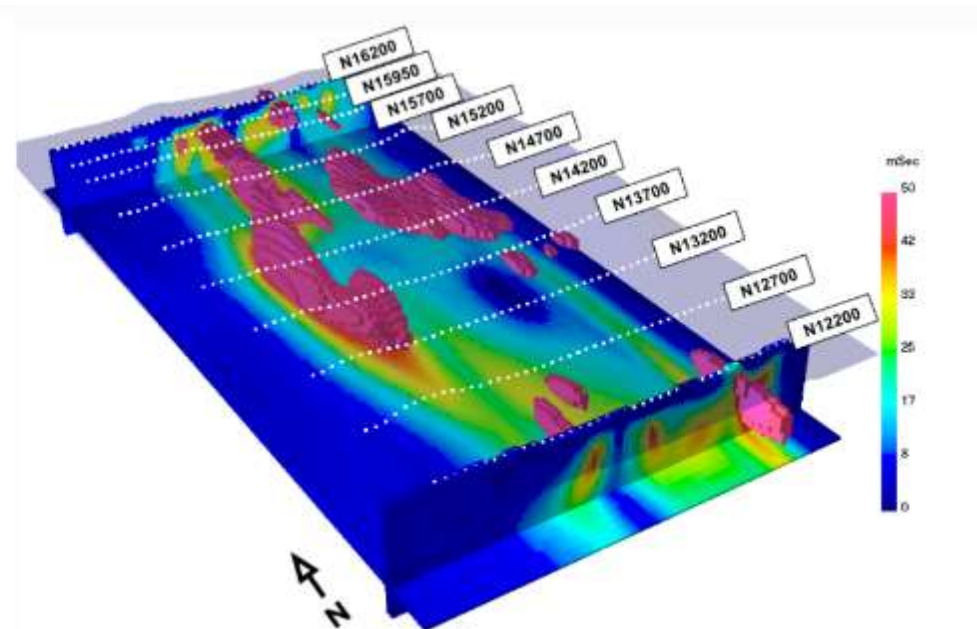
Resistivity model (ρ)



Integrated chargeability data (d_{IP})

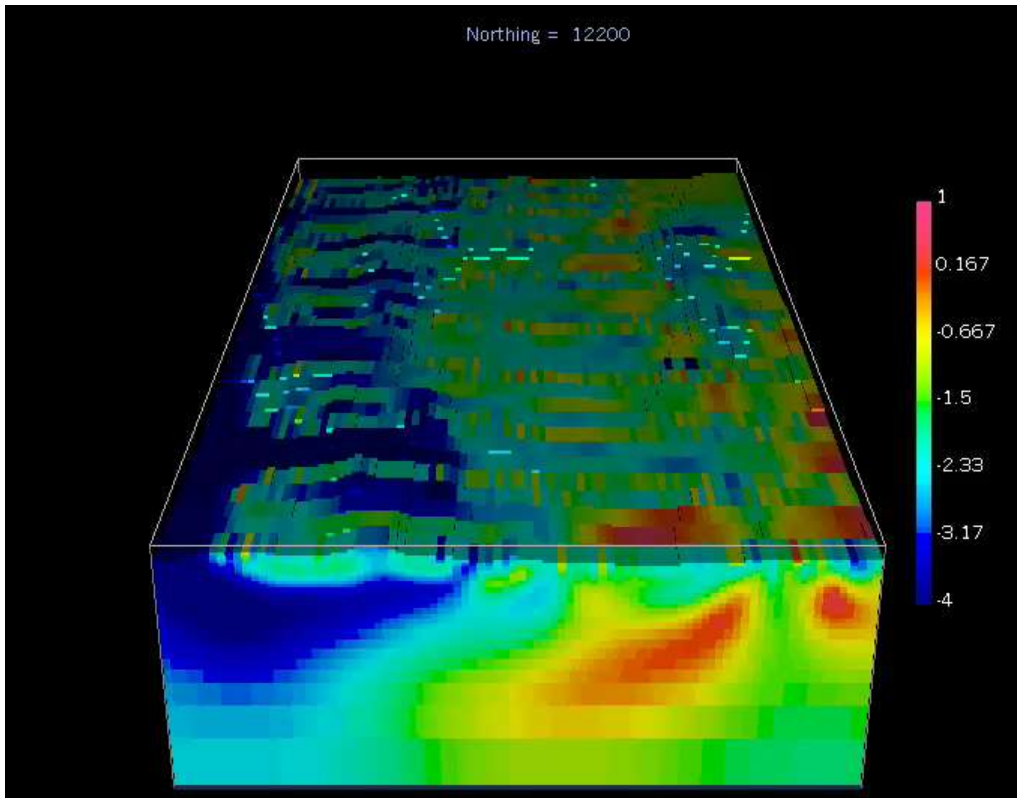


Chargeability model (η)

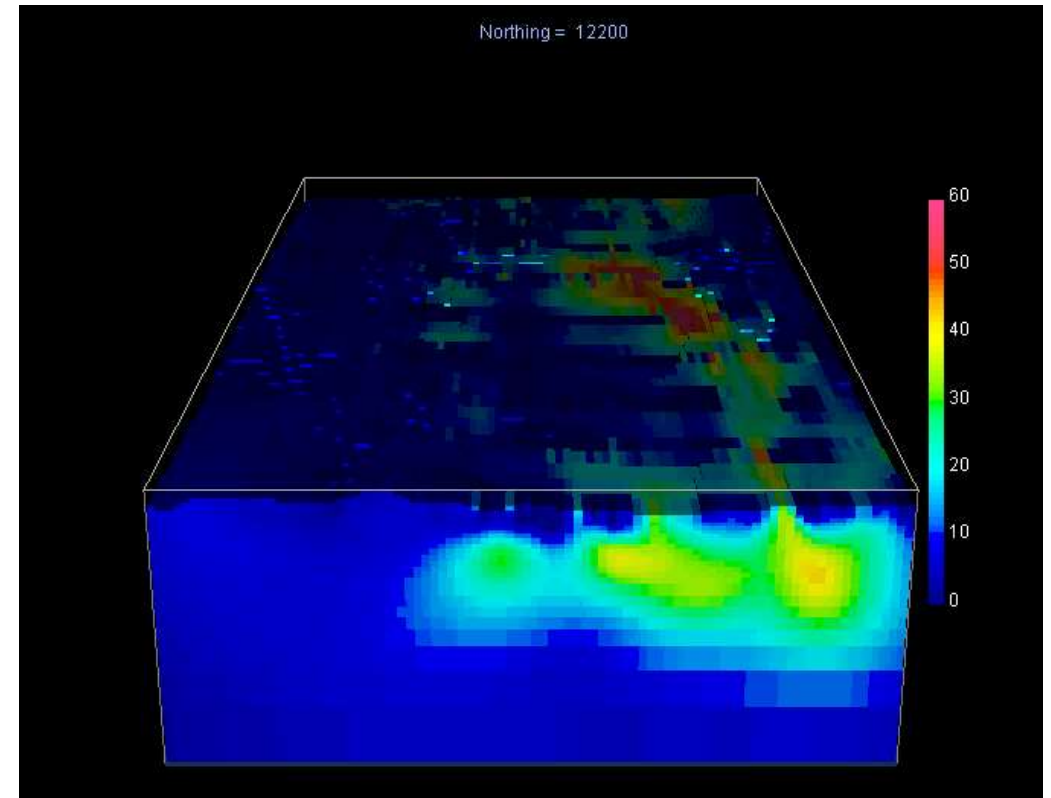


Consistent Models?

Volume rendered resistivity model



Volume rendered chargeability model



Summary

- ERT applications
 - Environmental
 - Archaeology
 - Volcano
 - Mining
 - Hydrological
- IP effect
 - Physical intuition
 - Mechanism of IP
 - IP effect in data
 - Chargeability inversion