

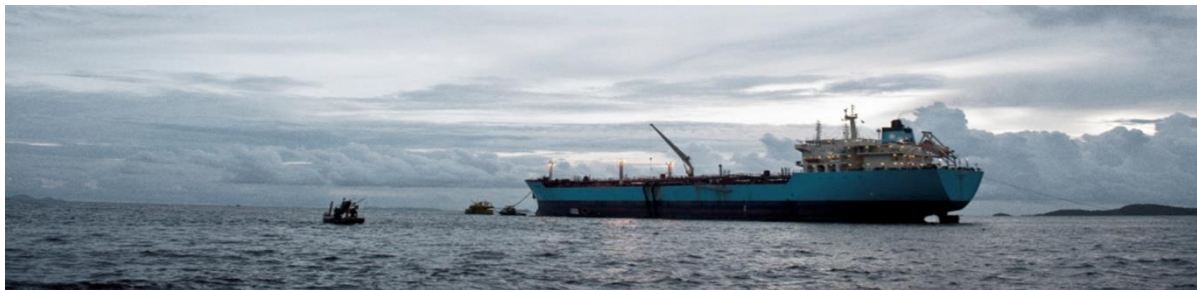
Where is the oil coming from

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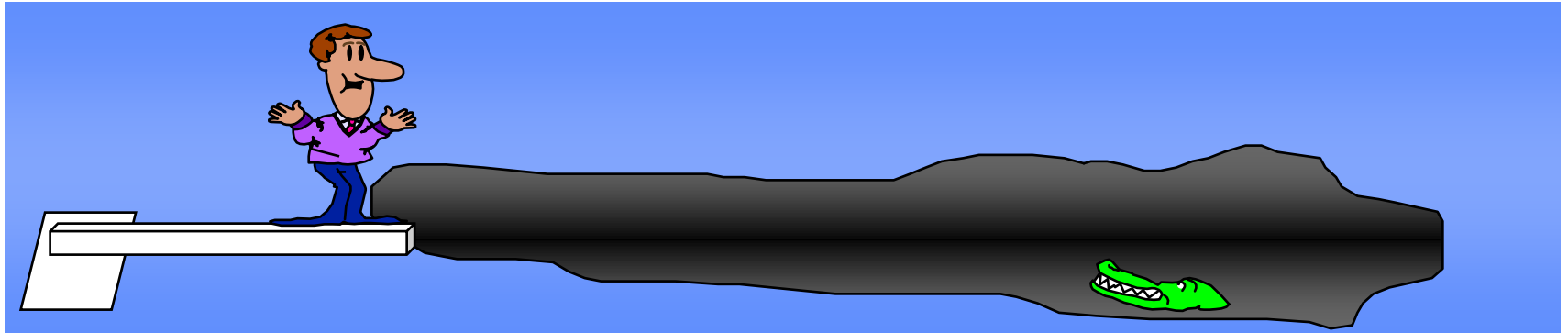
MINSC Workshop

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Where does the oil come from?



Or does oil come from big underground oil pools ?

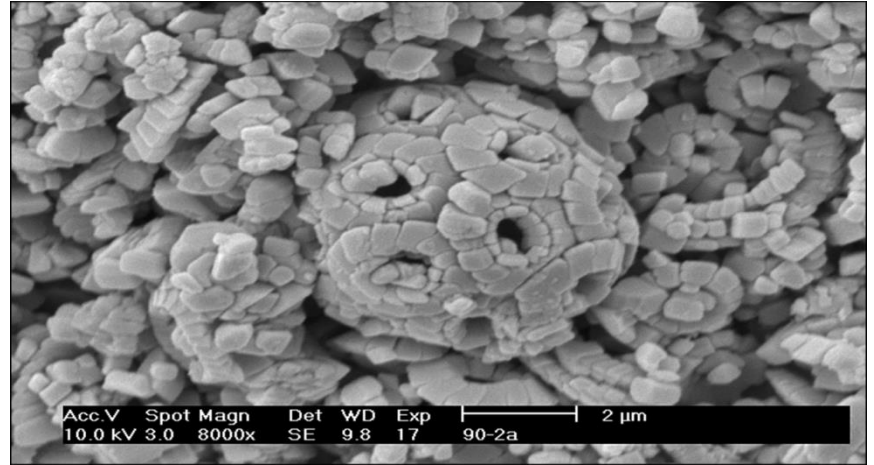


Actually ...

Most oil is comes from tiny pore spaces in rocks deep below the surface of the earth

But

- How did the oil got trapped in the tiny pore spaces,
- How do we find where the oil is deep below the surface of the earth
- How do we get it up

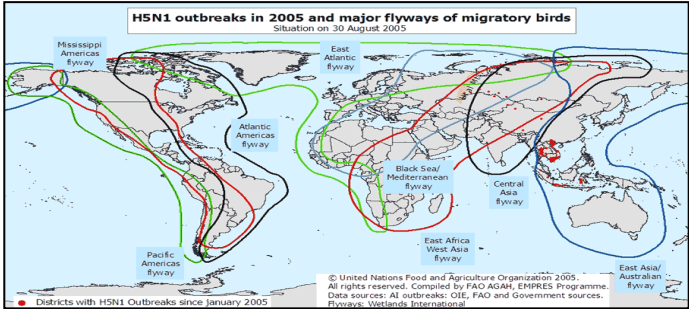


Petroleum System Components

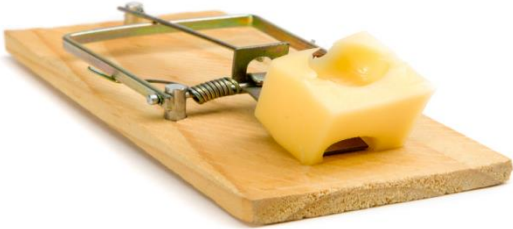


Sourcerock /Kitchen

Migration Route

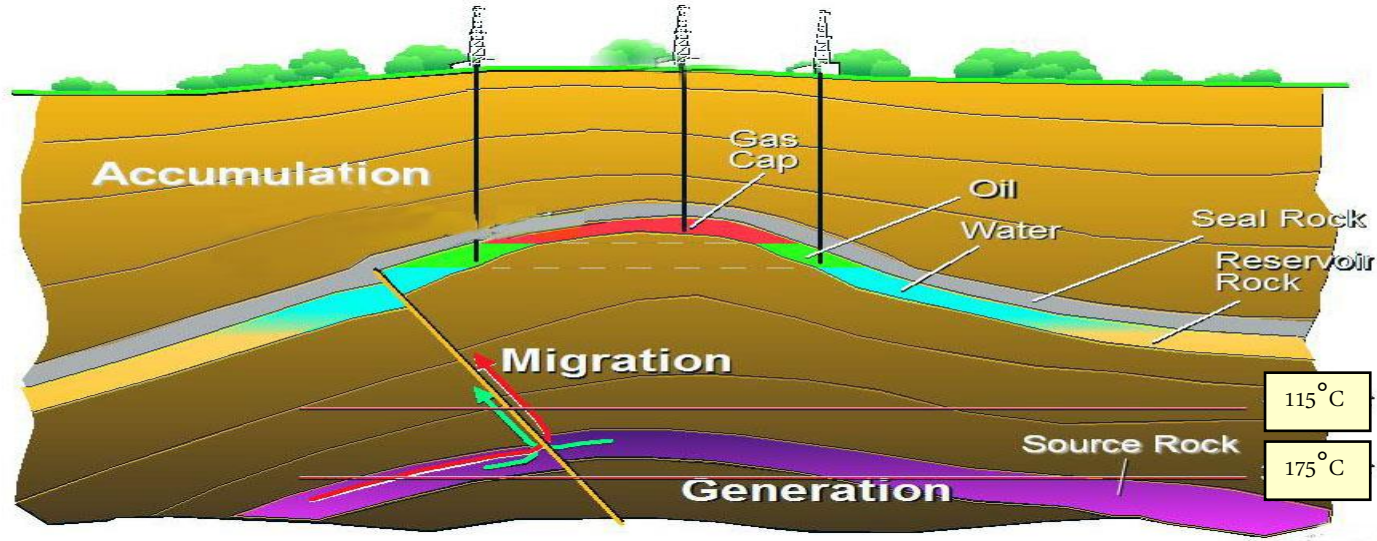


Reservoir



Trap

Simple Petroleum System



Source Rock :

Migration Route:

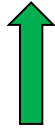
Trap:

Reservoir Rock:

Generates Hydrocarbons which migrate through a until stopped in a that includes of sufficient porosity and permeability to store significant volumes and allow production at a reasonable rate.

But things take time – long time

EON	ERA	PERIOD	EPOCH	Ma	
Phanerozoic	Cenozoic	Quaternary	Holocene	0.01	
			Pleistocene	Late	0.8
		Early		1.8	
		Tertiary	Pliocene	Late	3.6
				Early	5.3
				Late	11.2
			Miocene	Middle	16.4
				Early	23.7
				Late	28.5
		Oligocene	Early	33.7	
			Late	41.3	
			Middle	49.0	
		Eocene	Early	54.8	
			Late	61.0	
	Early		65.0		
	Mesozoic	Cretaceous	Late	99.0	
			Early	144	
		Jurassic	Late	159	
			Middle	180	
		Triassic	Early	206	
			Late	227	
		Paleozoic	Permian	Middle	242
				Early	248
			Pennsylvanian	Late	256
				Early	290
	Mississippian		Late	323	
			Early	354	
	Devonian		Late	370	
			Early	391	
	Silurian		Late	417	
			Early	423	
	Ordovician	Late	443		
Early		458			
Cambrian	Middle	470			
	Early	490			
	D	500			
	C	512			
	A	520			
Precambrian	Proterozoic	Late	543		
		Middle	900		
		Early	1600		
	Archean	Late	2500		
		Early	3800?		



Oil Migration

Chalk Reservoirs
Jurassic Source Rocks

Types of Petroleum

Oil and gas are formed by the thermal cracking of organic compounds buried in fine-grained rocks.

Algae =

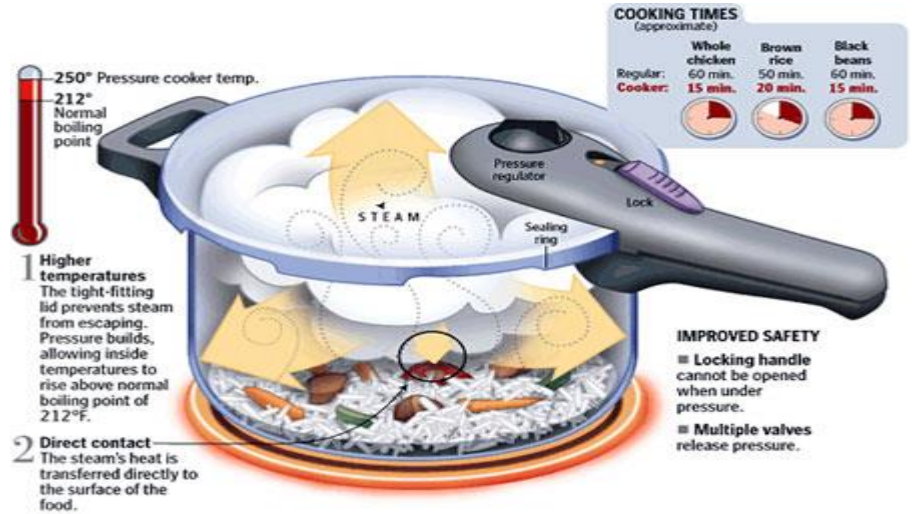
Hydrogen rich = Oil-prone

Wood =

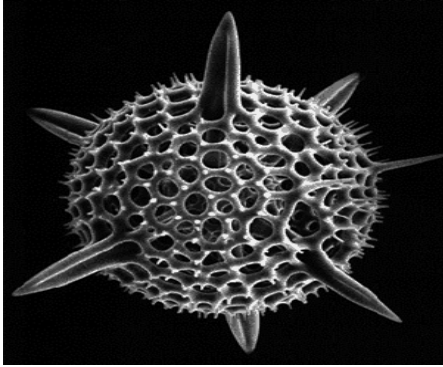
Hydrogen poor = Gas-prone



Pressure Cooker



Marine Source Rocks



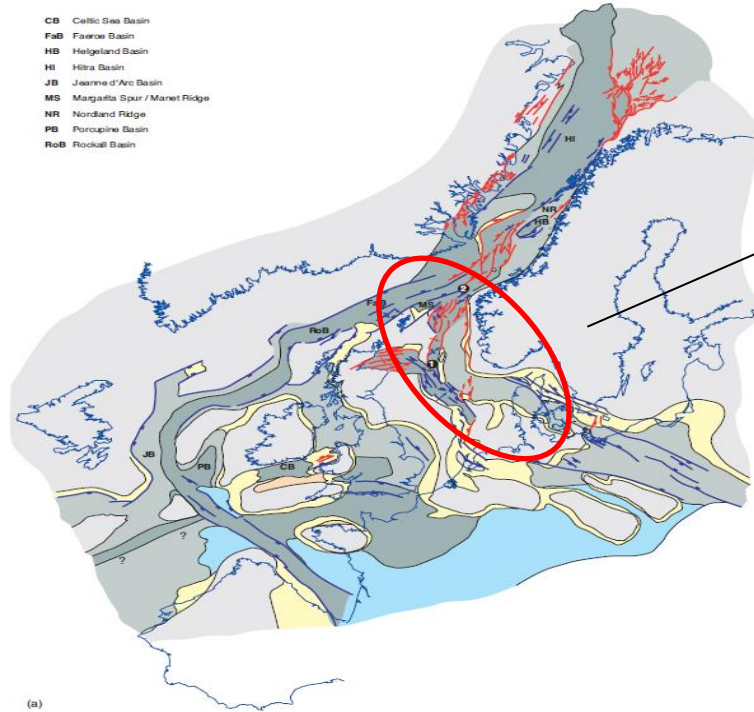
Huge numbers of microscopic organisms accumulate on the ocean floor and if the conditions are right (essentially low oxygen availability) they are preserved and increase the carbon content of the rocks.

On burial and heating this carbon can be expelled as hydrocarbon.

Marine source rocks are predominantly oil prone.

Late Jurassic

Restricted basin into which the Kimmeridge Clay source rock is deposited



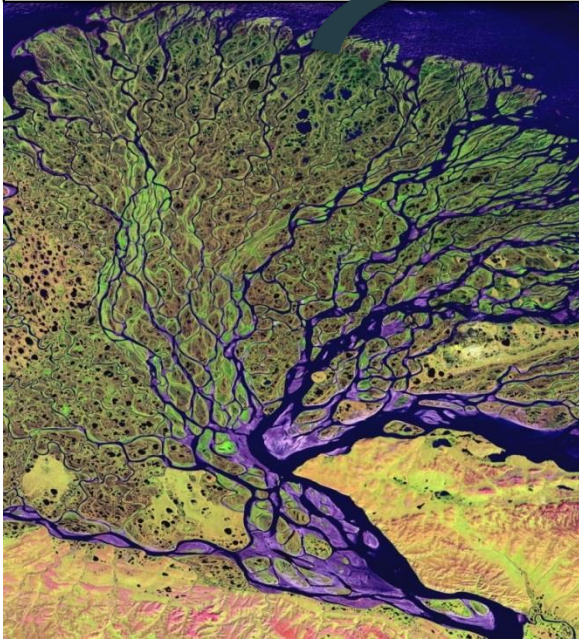
Kimmeridge Shale



The Kimmeridge Shale contain so much kerogene that it may burn

Terrestrial source rocks – responsible for many gas fields

Lena Delta, Siberia



Organic material preserved in swamp areas due to low oxygen content



Produces a predominantly gas prone source rock

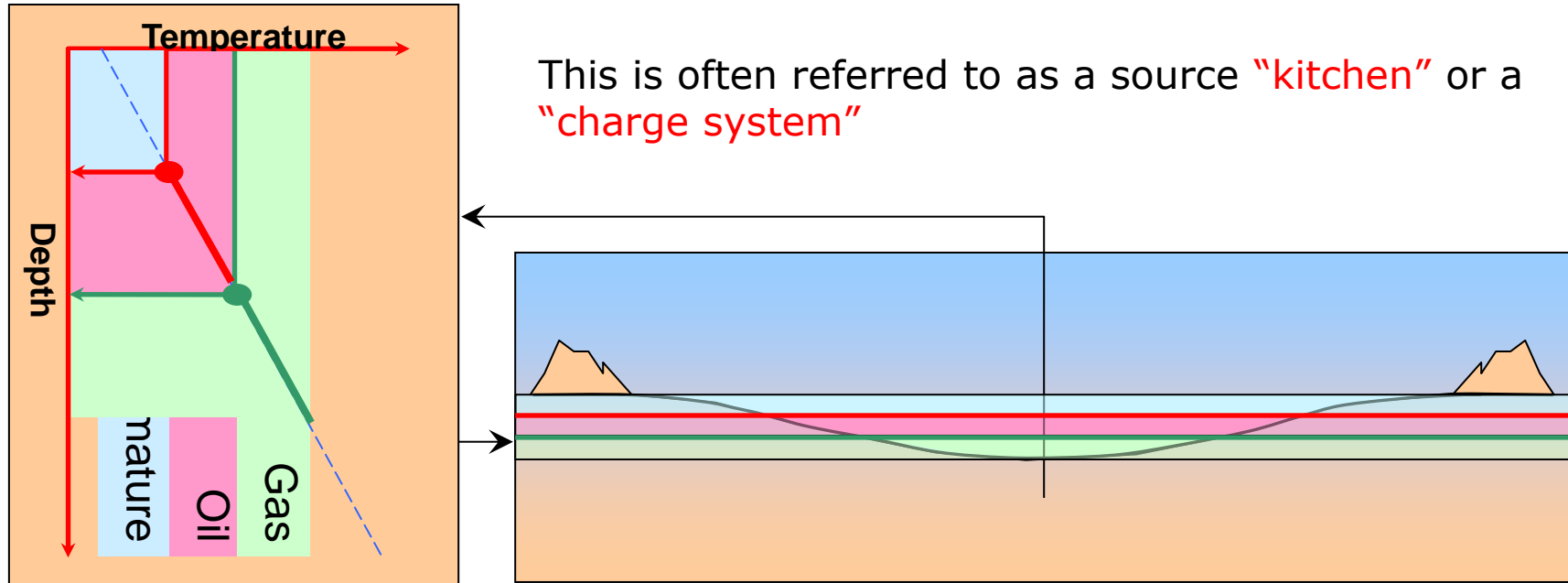


The same setting in the Carboniferous produced much of the world's abundant coal deposits



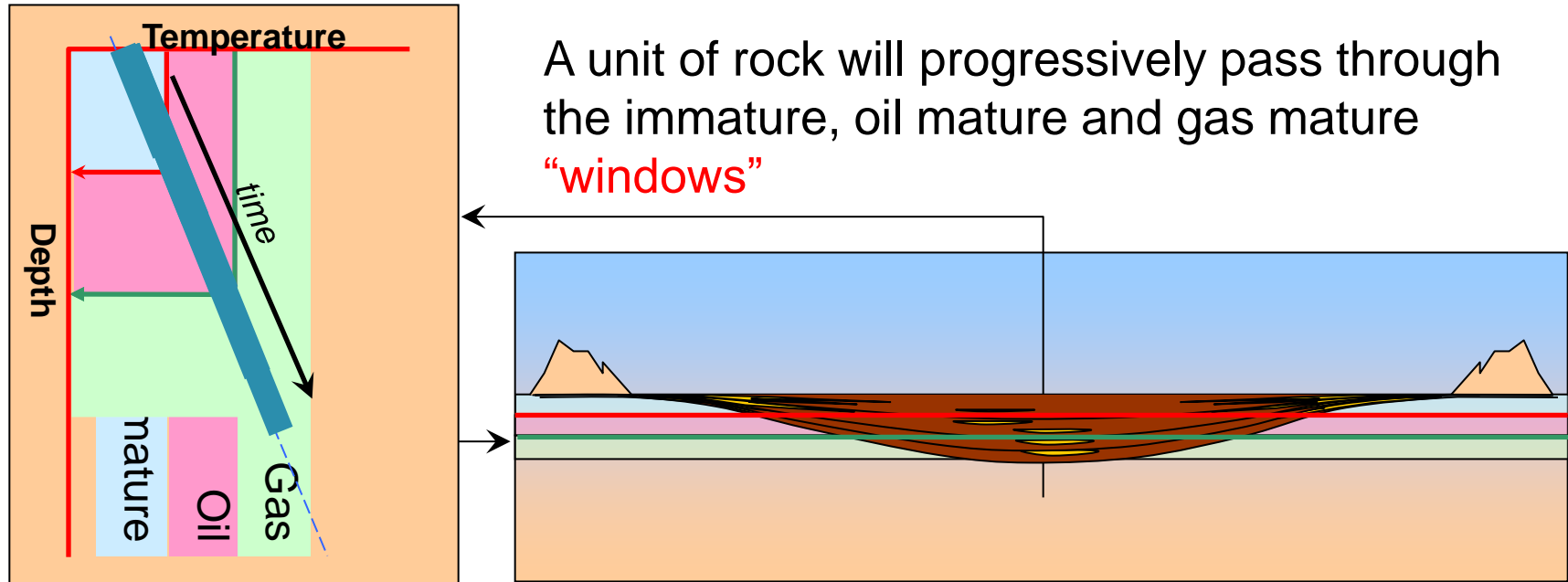
Source systems: Generation and Expulsion

With burial over time, increasing temperature and pressure causes source rocks to *generate* and *expel* hydrocarbons

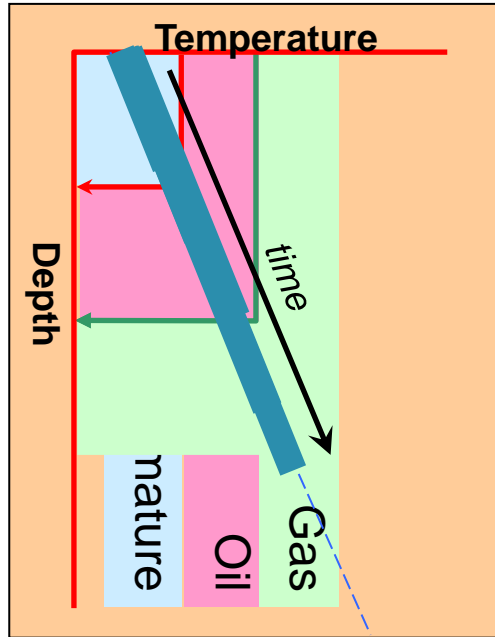


Source systems: Generation and Expulsion

This is a dynamic process and is complicated by continuing subsidence and burial



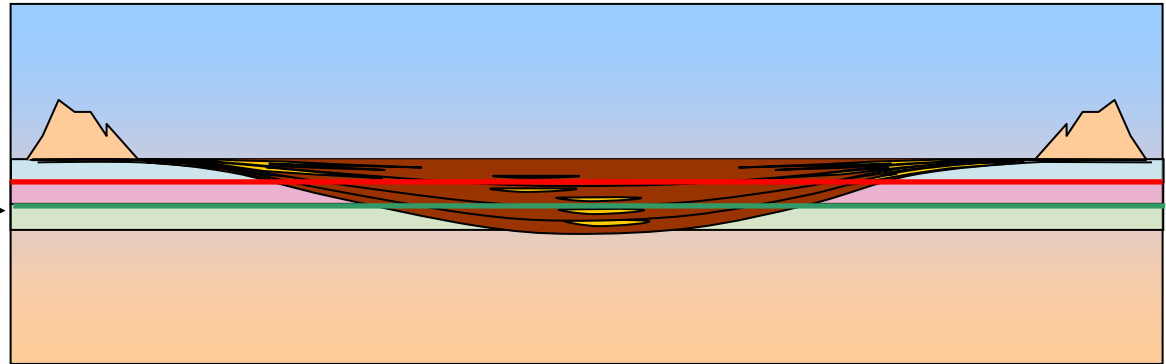
Source systems: Generation and Expulsion



And generate hydrocarbons of increasing "*maturity*":

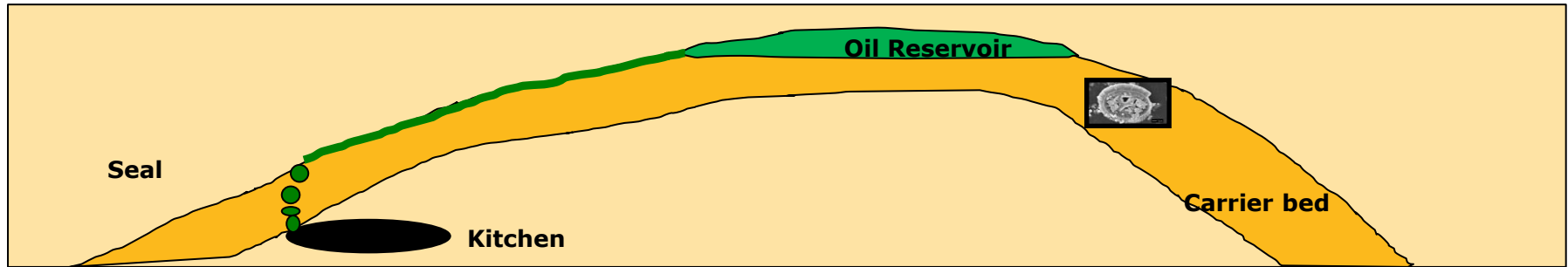
- *Heavy oil*
- *Light oil*
- *Gas condensate*
- *Dry gas*

Increasing "*API*"



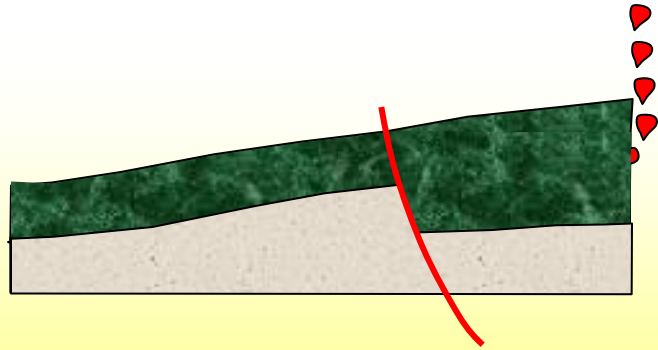
Oil Migration

- Oil is generated in a source rock (**kitchen**)
- Oil Migrates upwards by **buoyancy/pressure differences** over time - drop by drop or slug by slug through a carrier bed (**migration route**)
- Until it is stopped by a "**seal**" and the oil is collected in a **reservoir rock**

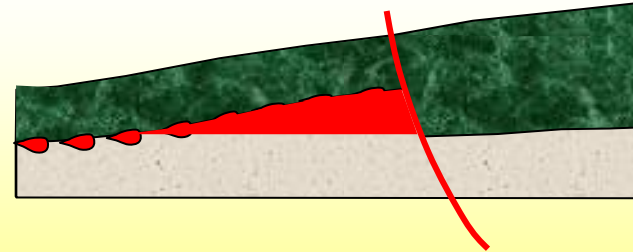


This takes time – Long Time

Migration & Trap



Trap occurs *after* charge



Trap occurs *before* charge



Migration & Trap

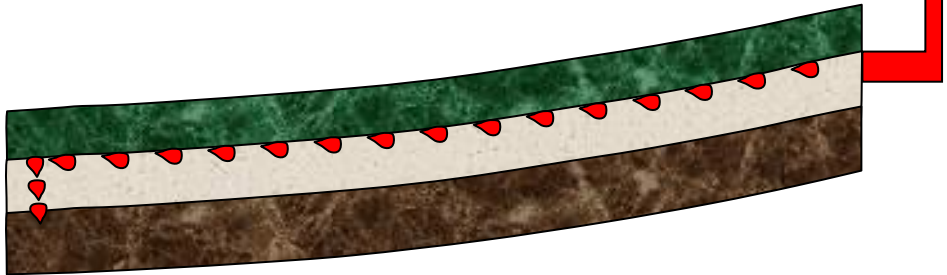
Or they can be stratigraphic:



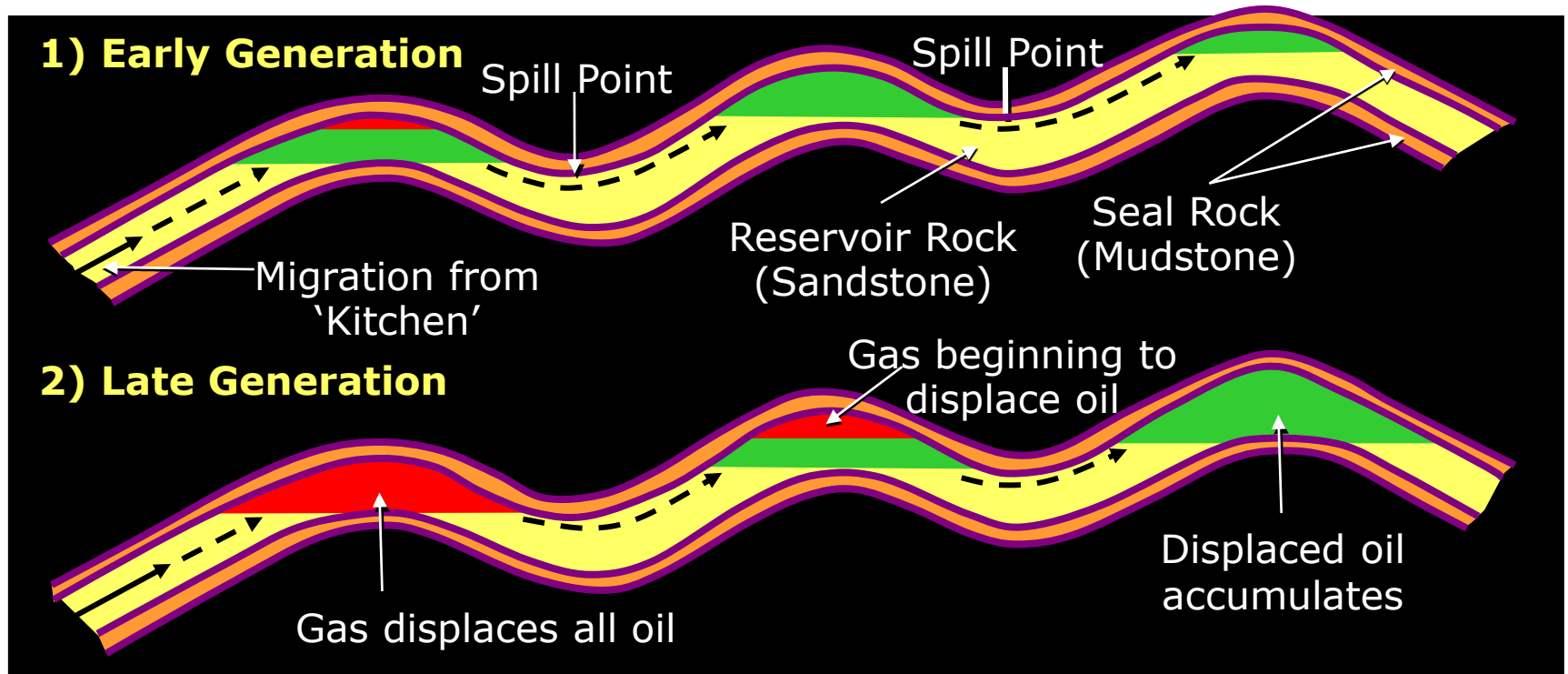
And can contain oil and gas:



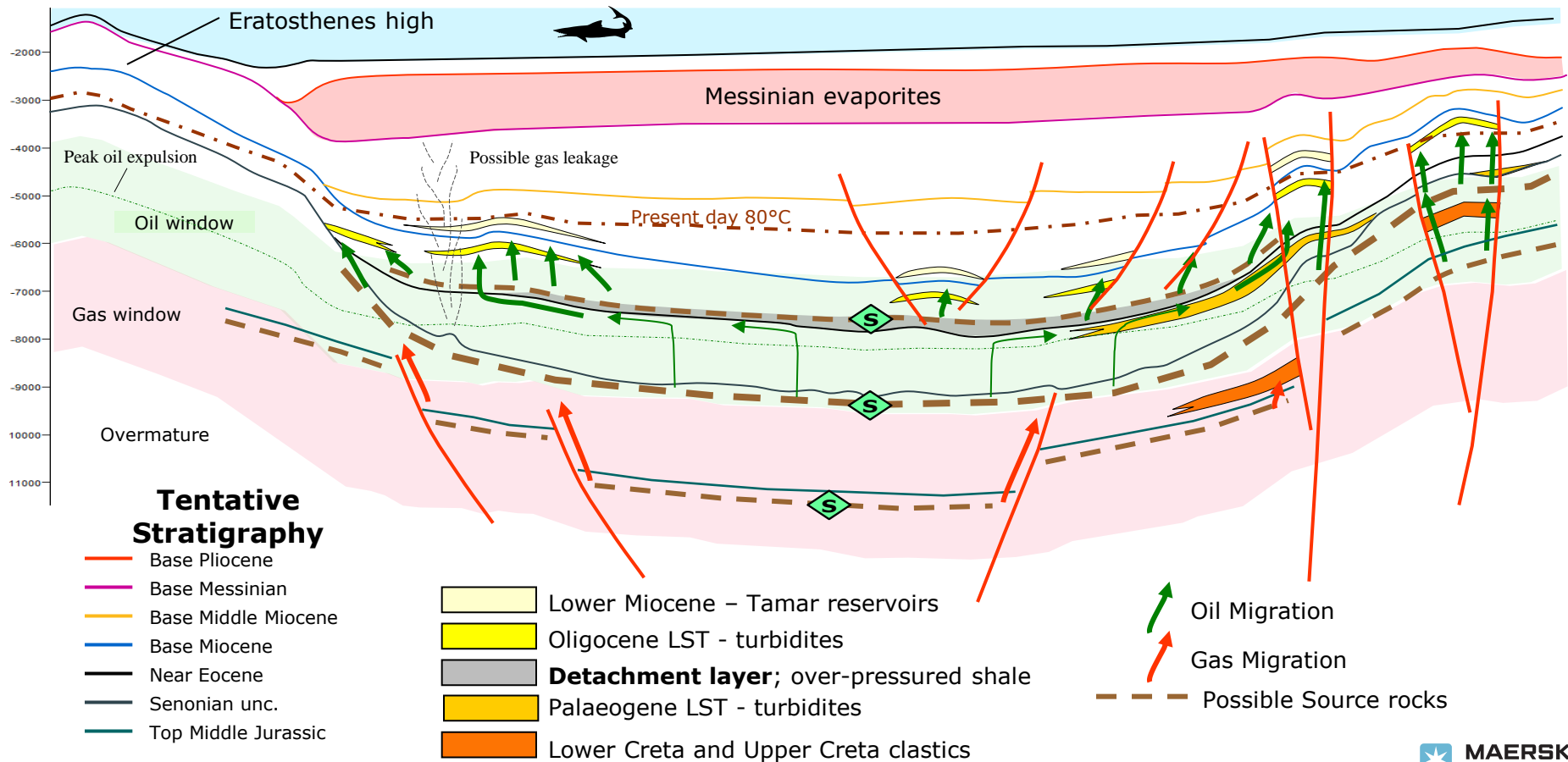
With a corresponding
Gas-Oil Contact (GOC)



Migration – a dynamic entity



Eastern Mediterranean



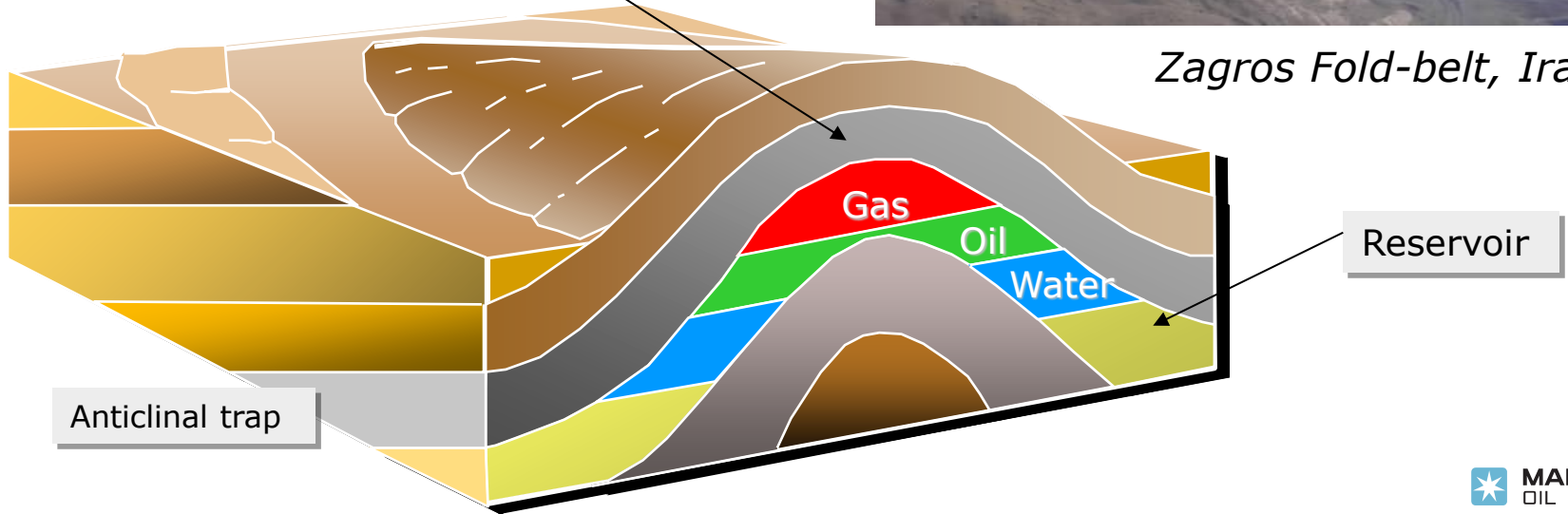
The trap

Represents the focus of migration and the accumulation. These can be structural, stratigraphic or a combination of the two

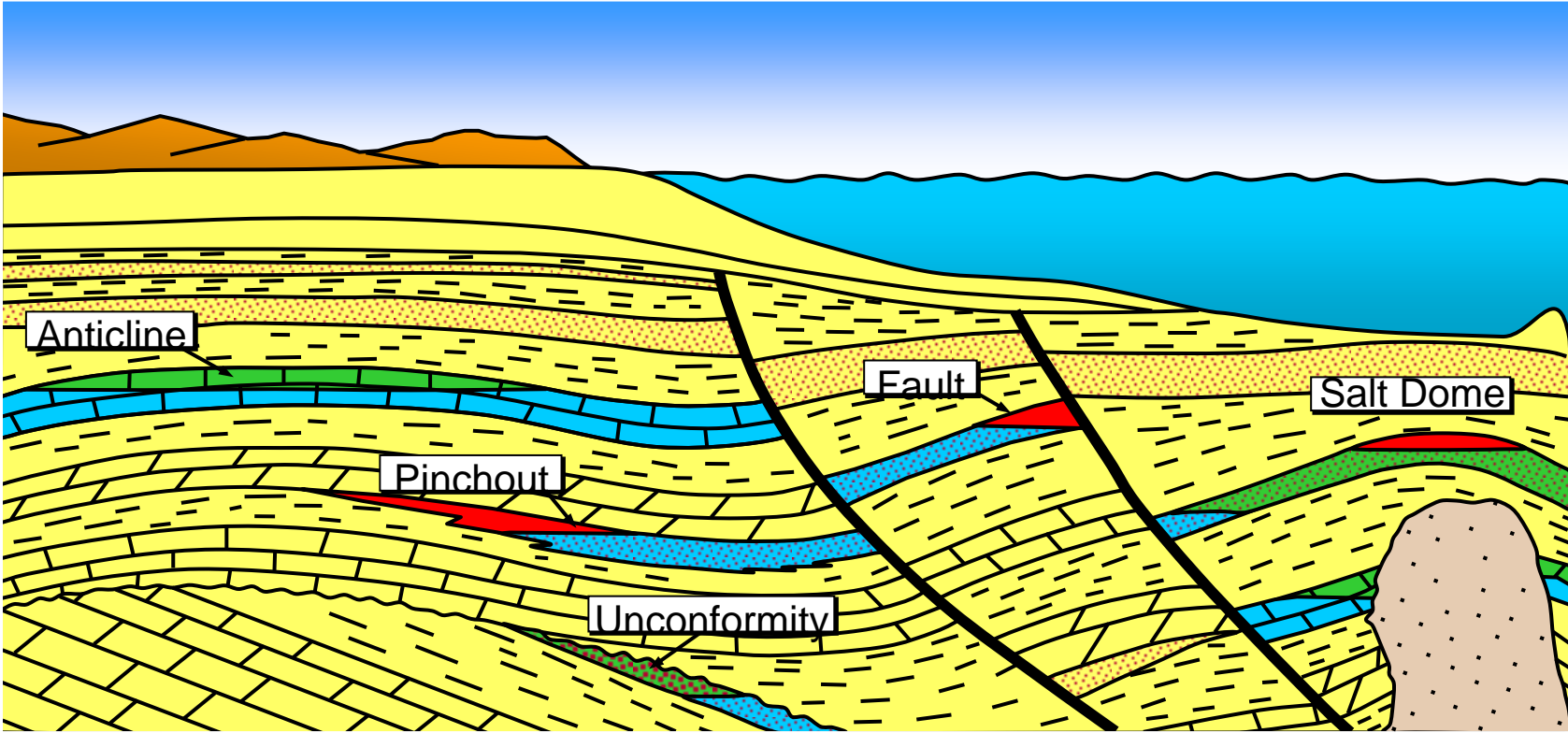
Seals – prevent further migration



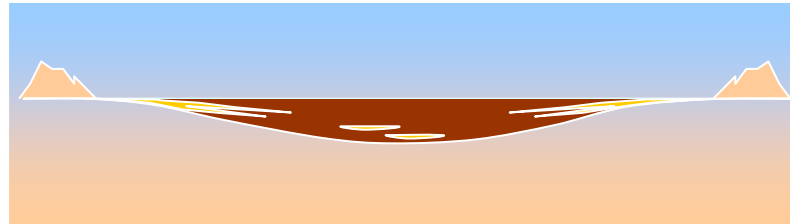
Zagros Fold-belt, Iran



Hydrocarbon Trap Types



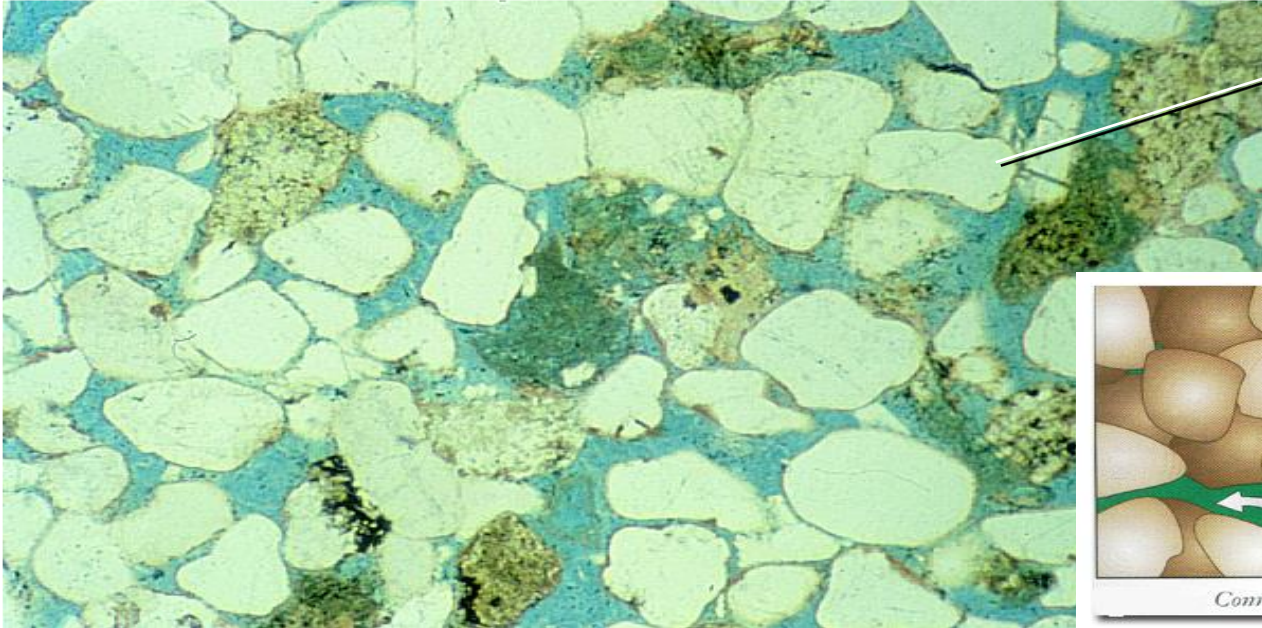
The Reservoir



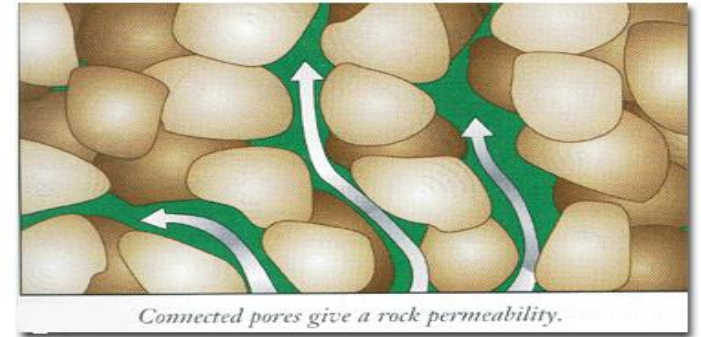
Reservoirs are rocks with *porosity* and *permeability*

Reservoir Sandstone

Good Porosity = Lots of Space for Petroleum

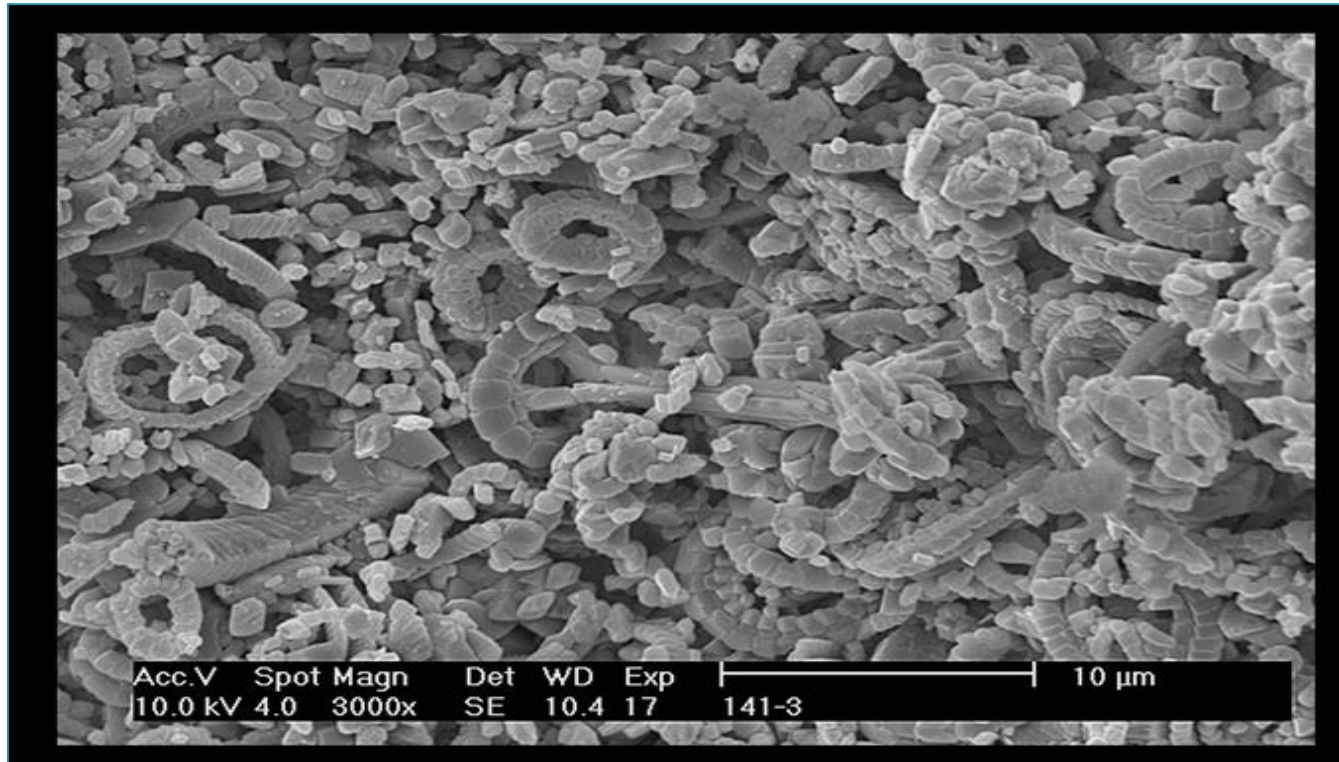


Pores – the spaces between grains (blue)



Connected pores give a rock permeability.

Chalk Reservoir



Chalk and Other Rock Types: petrophysical characteristics

Typical Sandstone/Shale Reservoir

- Permeability contrast between reservoir rock and non reservoir rock is significant
- Few and well defined rock types
- Short transition zones
- OWC = FWL
- $S_h = (0; (1-S_{wir}); S_{or}(w)f)$
- Reservoir is in equilibrium

Typical Chalk Reservoir

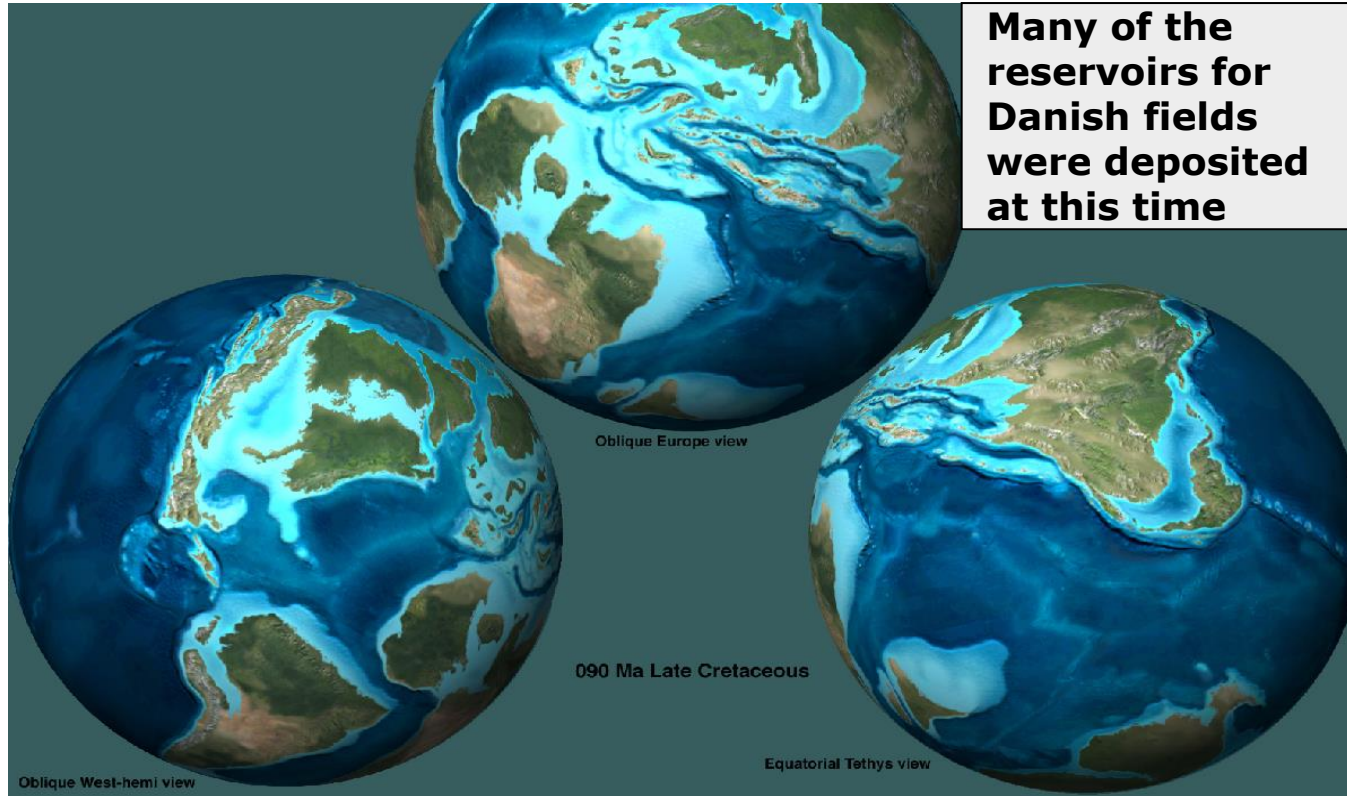
- Permeability contrast between reservoir rock and non reservoir rock is limited
- Continuous rock types
- Long transition zones
- FWL much deeper than OWC
- $S_h = (0 \rightarrow (1-S_{wir}) \text{ or } \sim S_{or}(w)f)$
- Reservoir is not in equilibrium

Carbonate Reservoirs



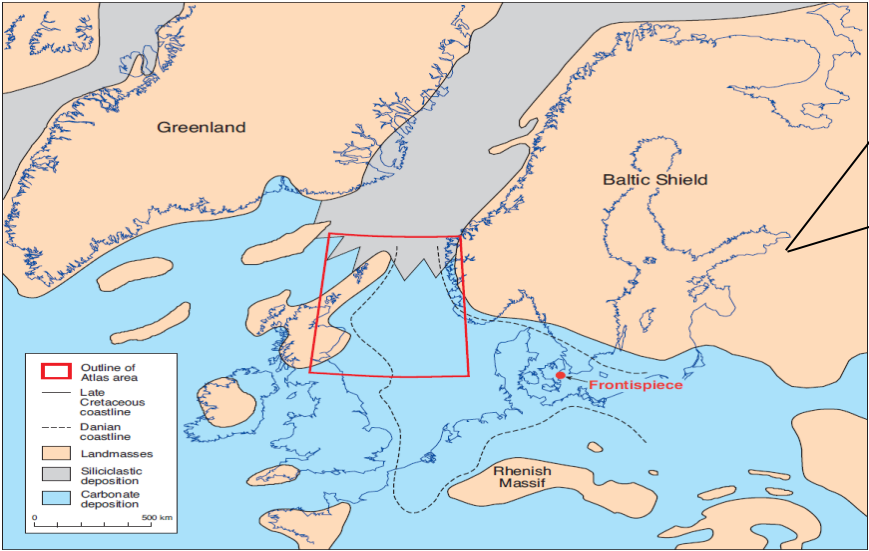
Carbonate reservoirs can have primary porosity (derived at deposition) or secondary porosity (created after deposition by dissolution or fracturing)

Late Cretaceous reconstruction



From Ron Blakely website: <http://jan.ucc.nau.edu/~rcb7/>

Late Cretaceous chalk seas



Last day of the Cretaceous – a bad day for dinosaurs...



Cretaceous – Tertiary boundary

Contains high amounts of Iridium – an element very rare in the Earth's crust but abundant in meteorites



North Sea Outcrop Carbonate Examples



Stevns Klint, Denmark



Møns Klint, Denmark

Typical Triassic and Jurassic reservoirs of the North Sea

Much of the gas on the NW Shelf is reservoired in rocks deposited in fluvial to deltaic settings.

Braided river

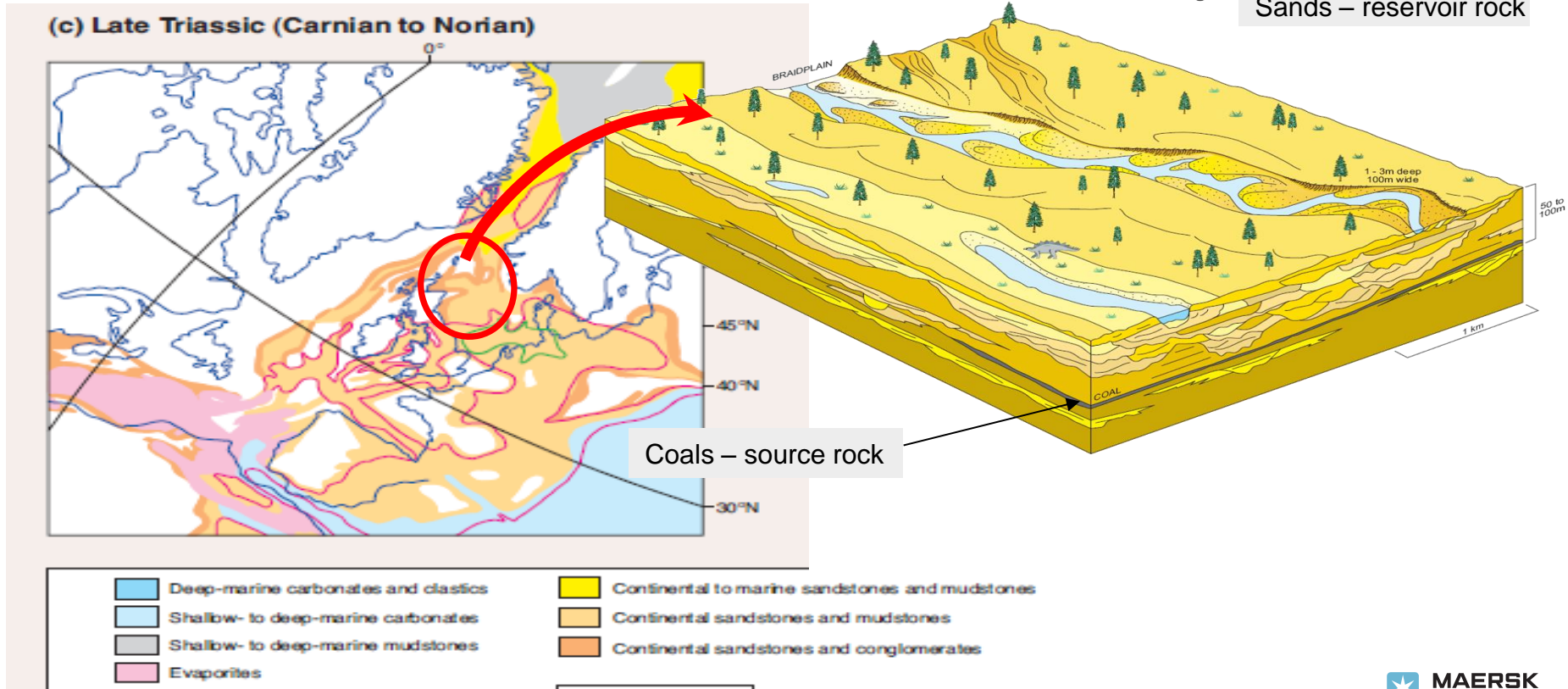


Meandering river

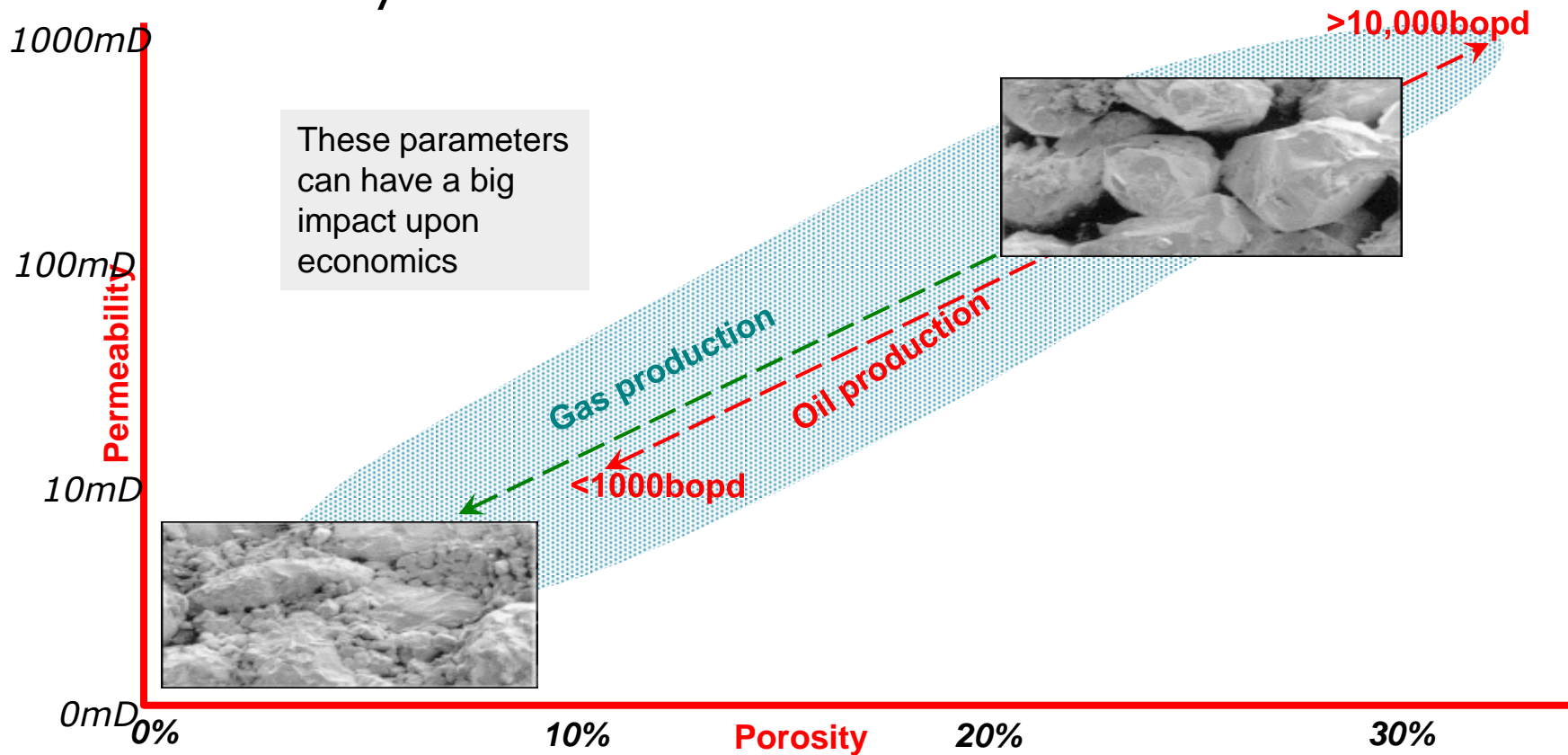
Deltas



Triassic gas fields of the north sea (eg Statfjord)



Reservoir systems



Seismic data – visualising the subsurface

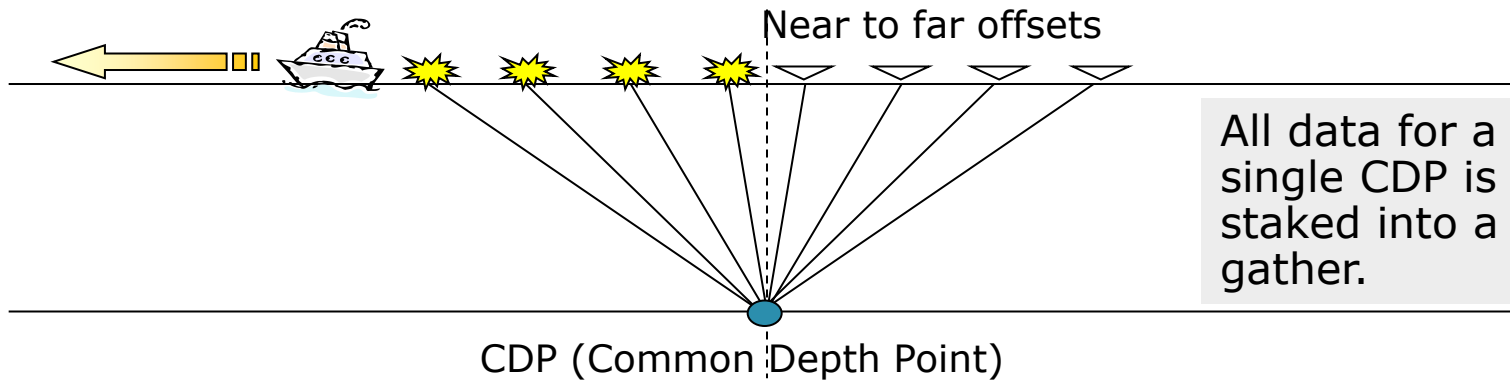
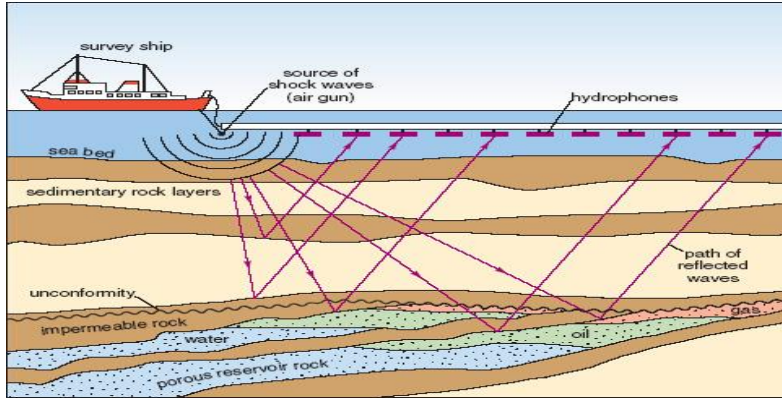
Scale of the operations



Acquiring a marine 3D survey



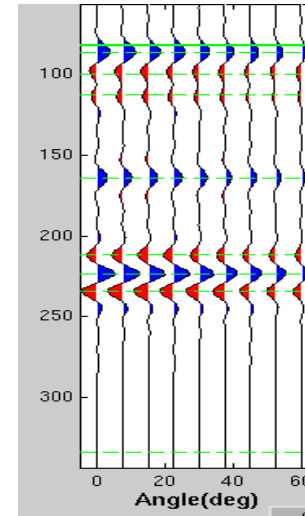
Marine Seismic Acquisition



All data for a single CDP is stacked into a gather.

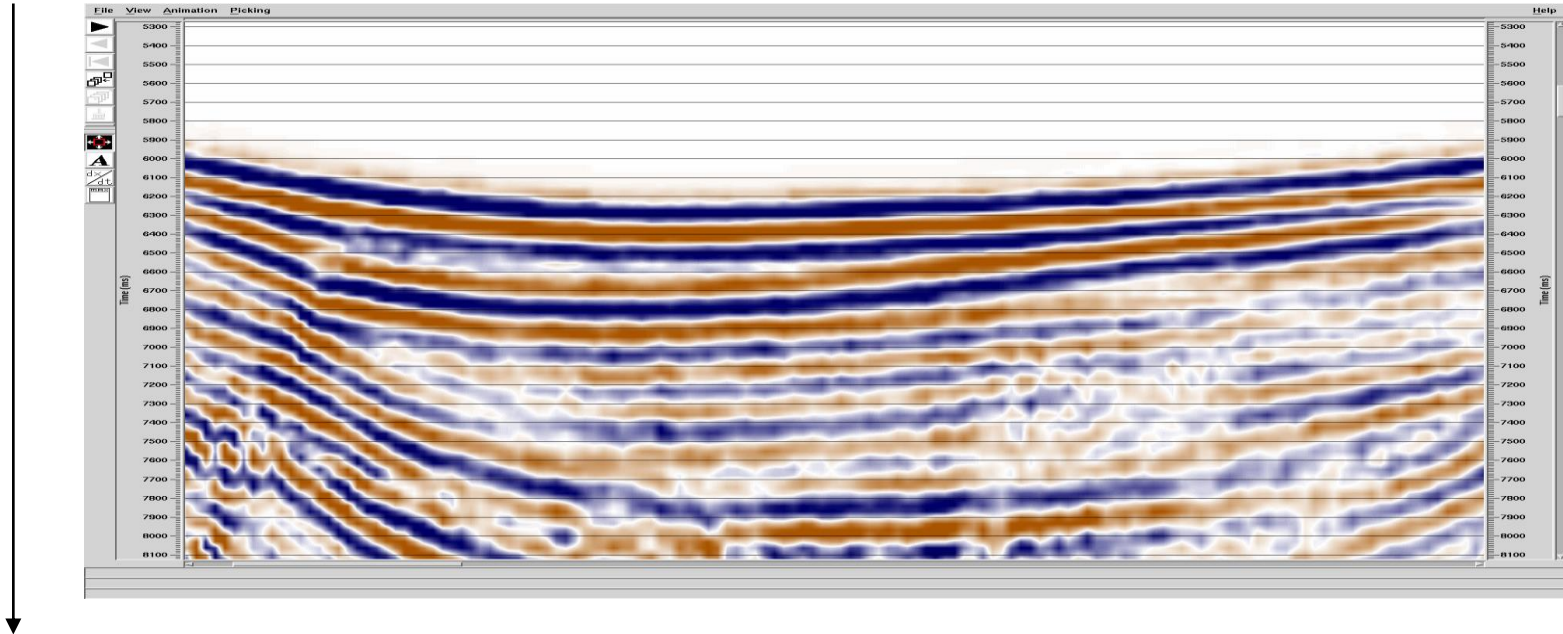
Seismic Resolution

Herlev Hospital 120 m

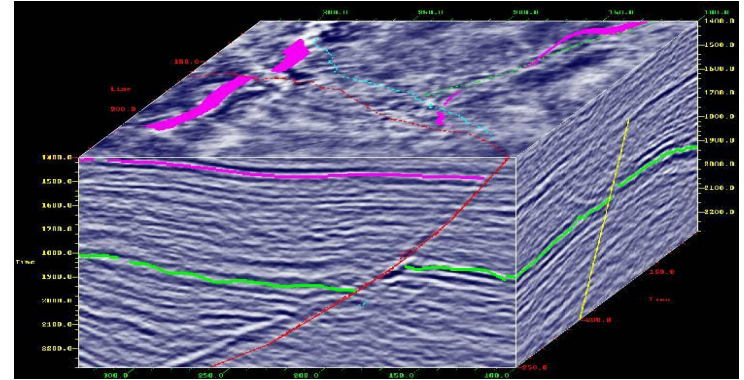
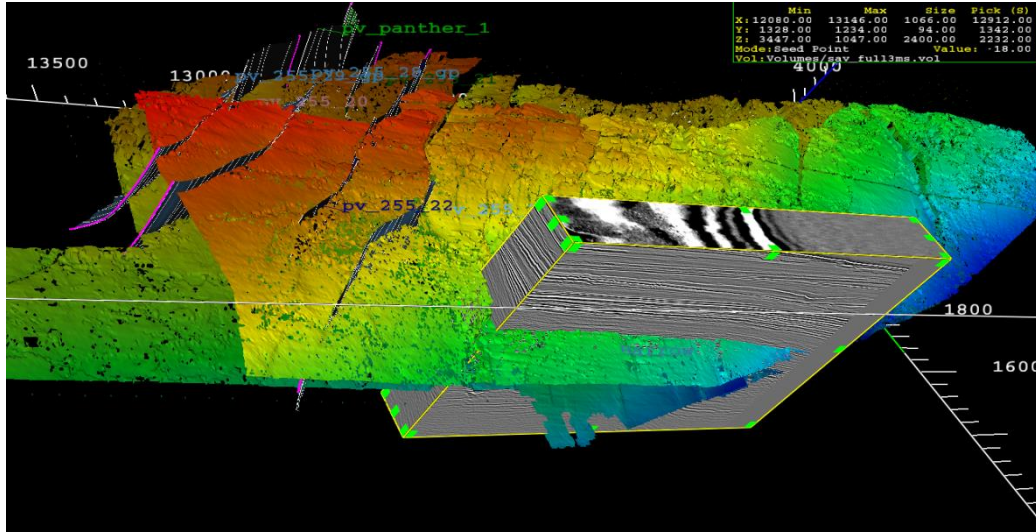


Seismic display – colour variable density

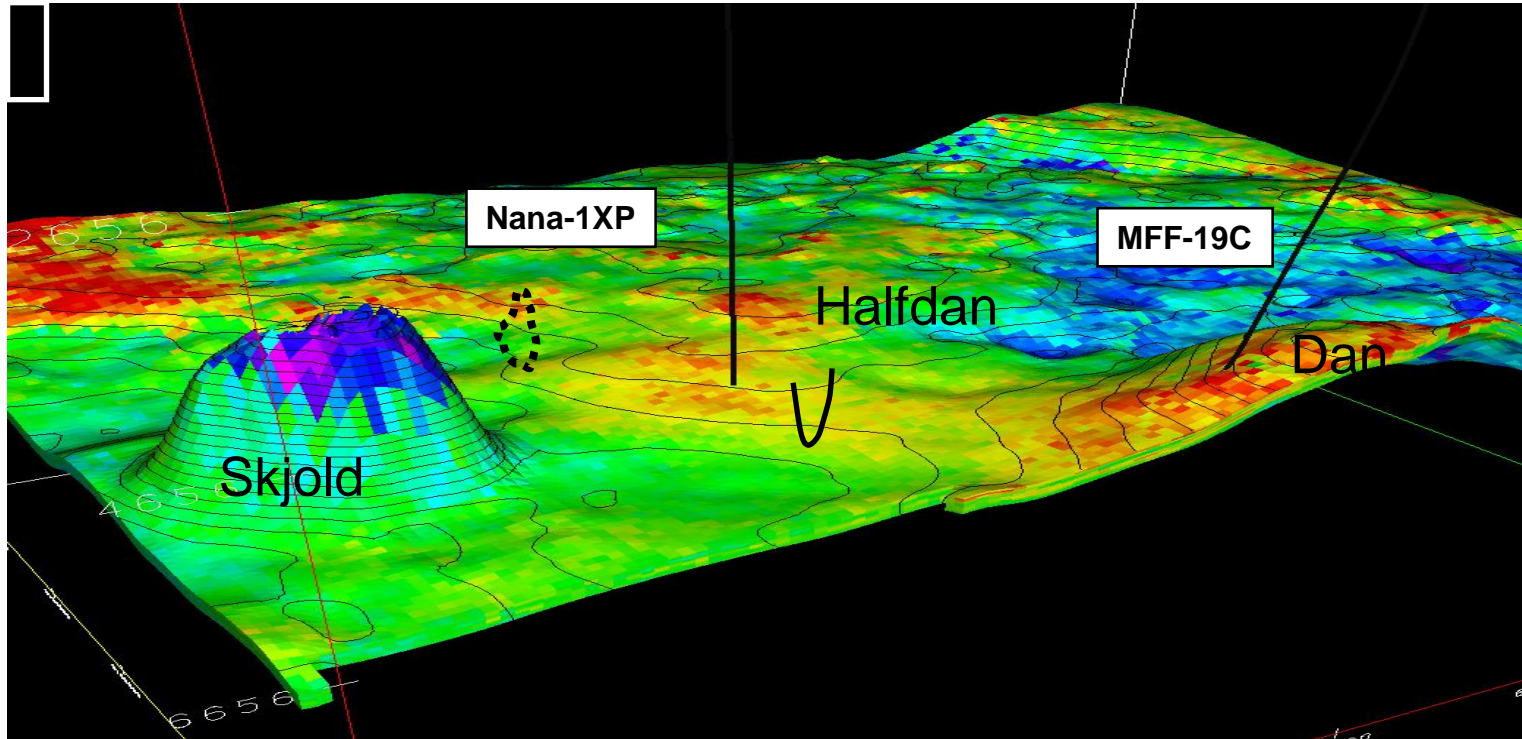
Two Way Time ms (1,000 ms = 1 second)



3D Seismic volume



Halfdan Porosity from seismic inversion



Drilling a well

Why do we Drill...

- To test a concept.
- To gather information.
- To add reserves.
- To fulfil commitments.

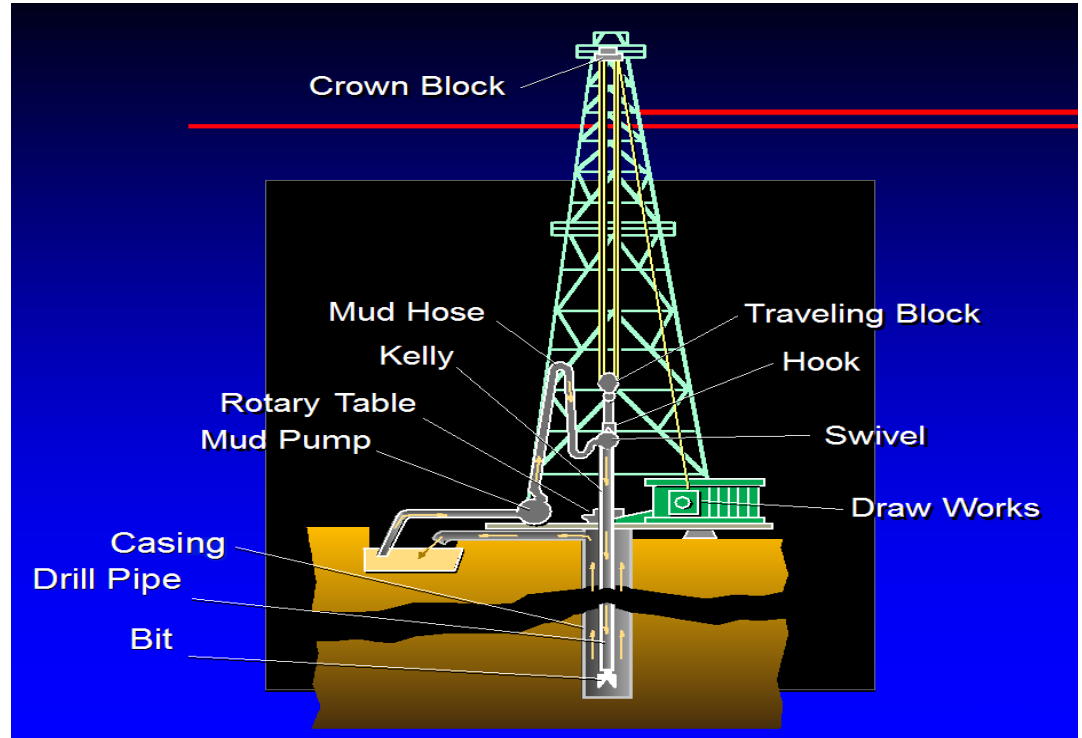


Drilling rig

The fluid circulated around the hole is called drilling mud.

The mud:

- Lubricates the bit
- Carries the samples to the surface
- Is balanced to the pressure of the rock formation

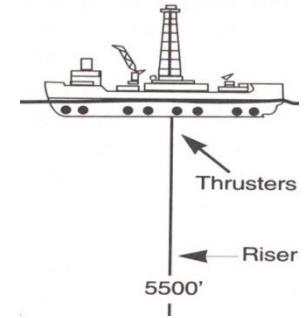


Offshore drilling

Semi-submersible rig



Ca \$1/2m per day
Max water depth ca
1500m

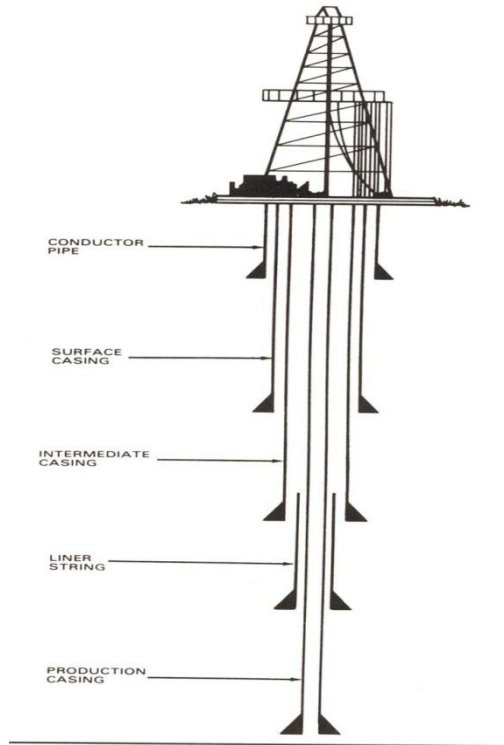


Ca \$1m per day
Min water depth ca 500m



Drill ship

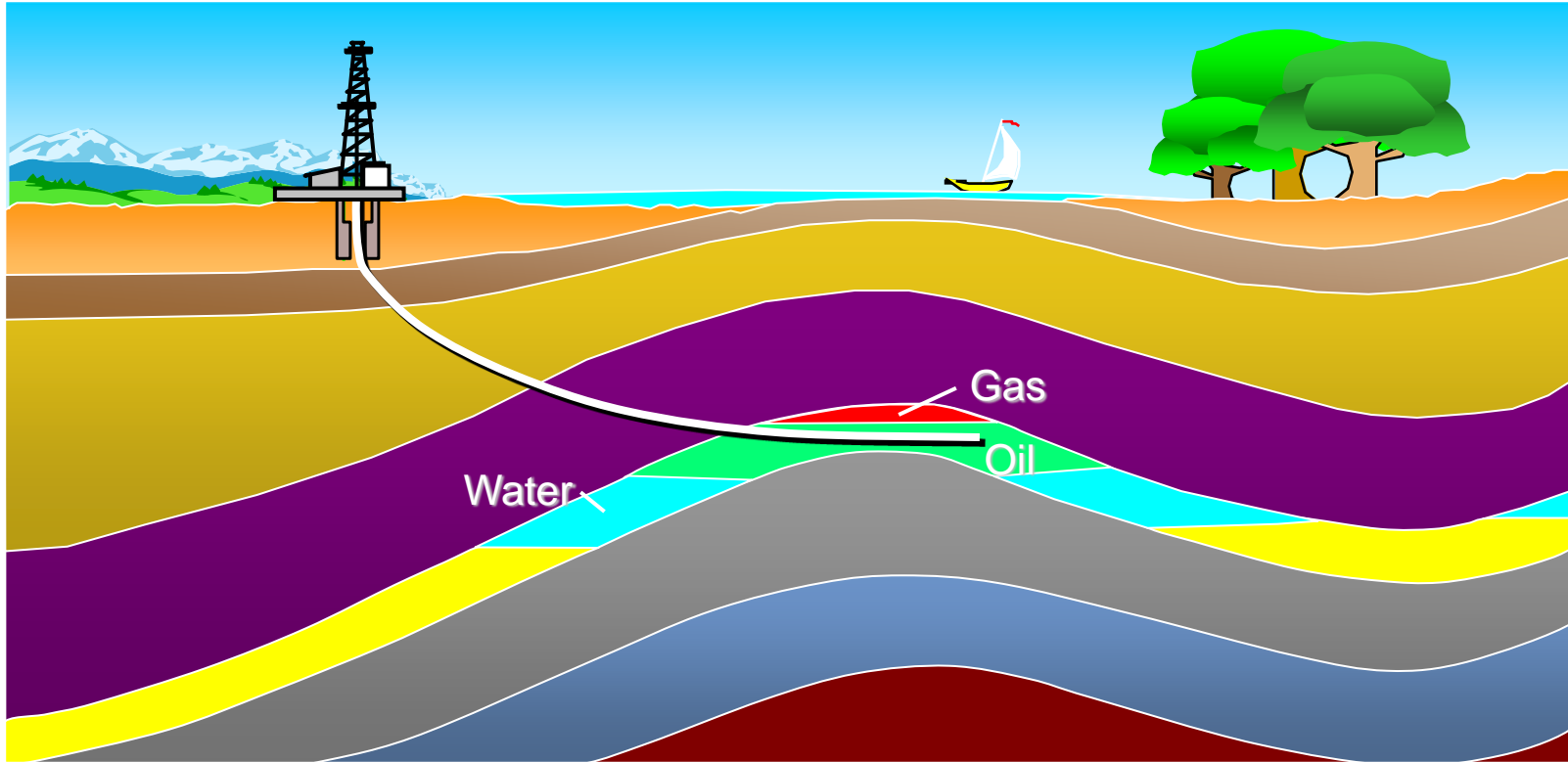
Drilling and casing the hole



Drilling proceeds by drilling a section of hole and then casing this off to prevent collapse and to allow the mud weight to be increased as drilling further.

The circulation of mud in the hole brings samples to the surface and is calculated to be an adequate pressure to stop formation fluids flowing into the hole in an uncontrolled manner.

Directional Drilling



Drilling – How Do We Know Where We Are?

Drill Floor



Samples collected on the shakers



Rock bit



Cuttings



Core (Diamond) Bit



Core



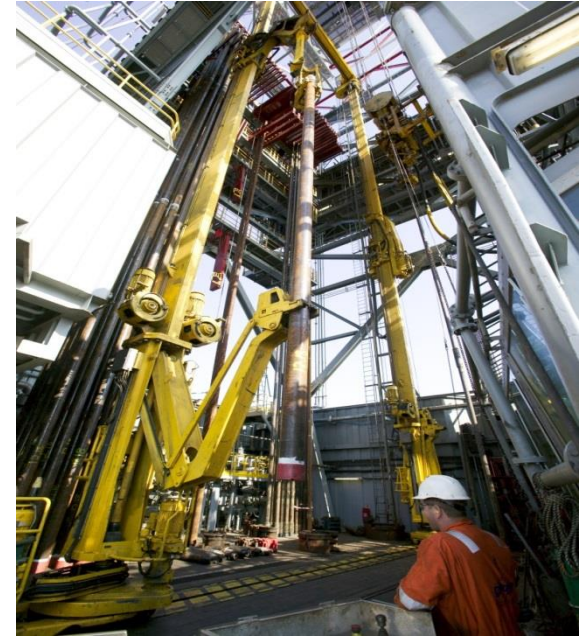
Coring



Drill Floor



On modern offshore rigs much of the manual handling on the drill floor has become automated and highly sophisticated – and much safer!



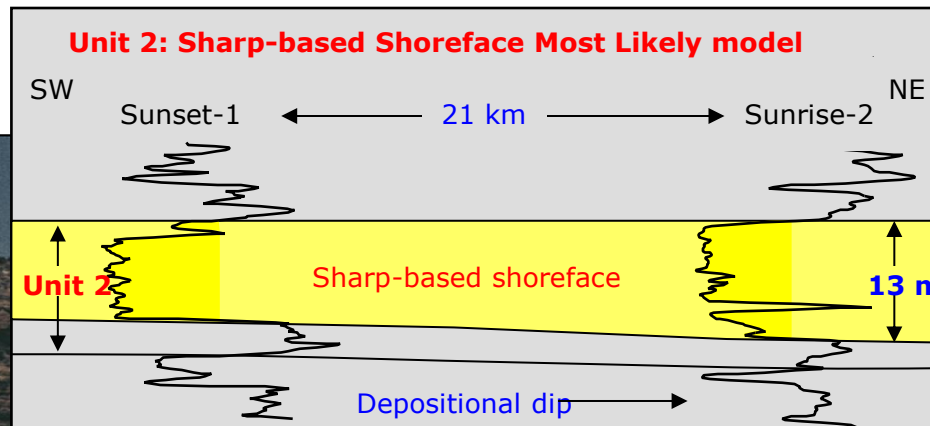
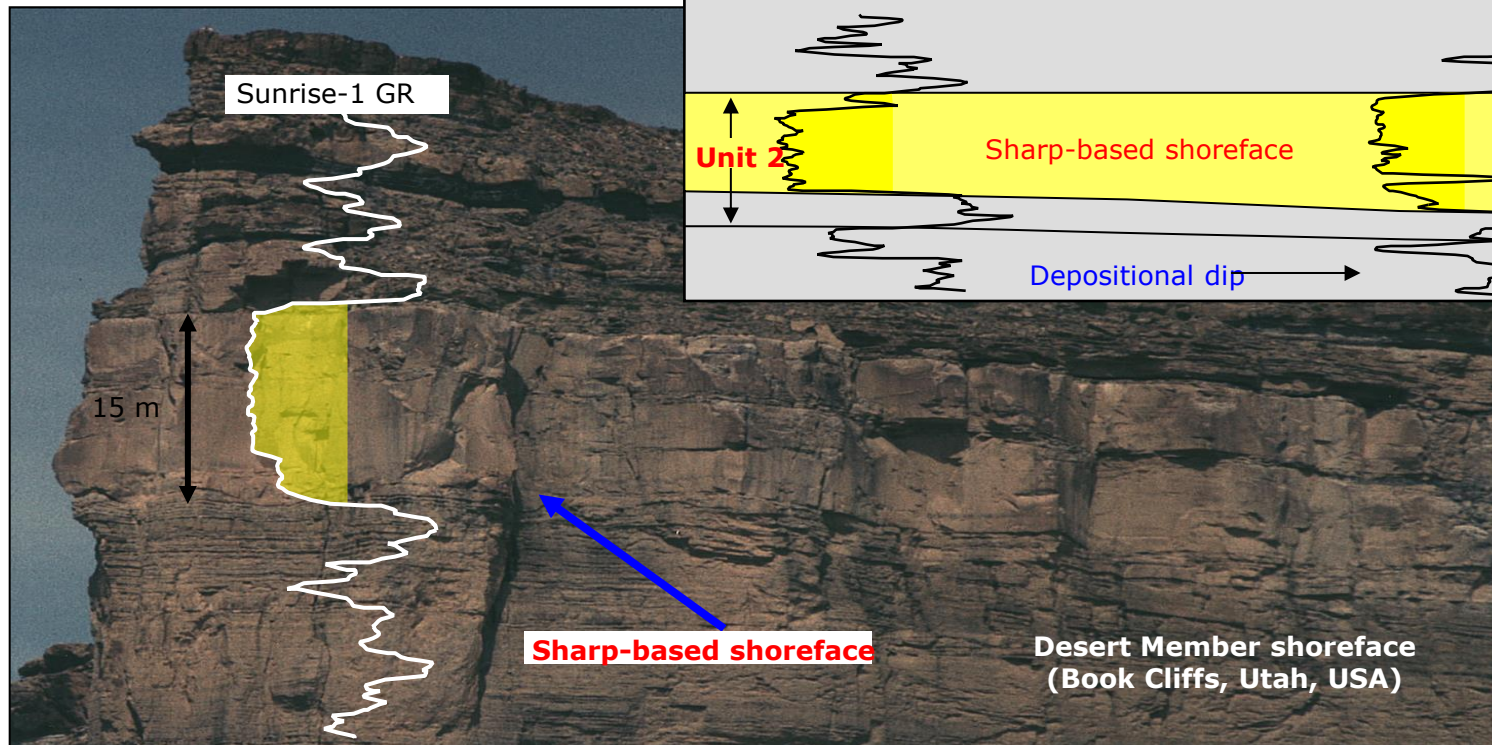
Logging the hole



A suite of logs provides us with invaluable direct and indirect information on the well:

- Lithologies
- Fluids
- Formation pressures
- Rock samples
- Fluid samples

Logging



Well Evaluation

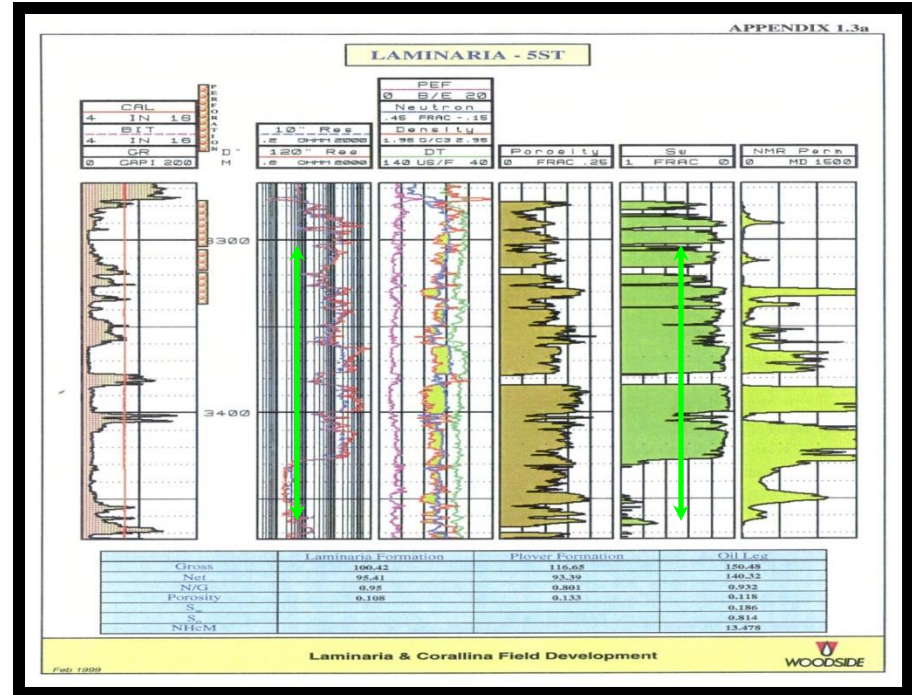


Density, neutron logs – help determine lithology, porosity and fluids.

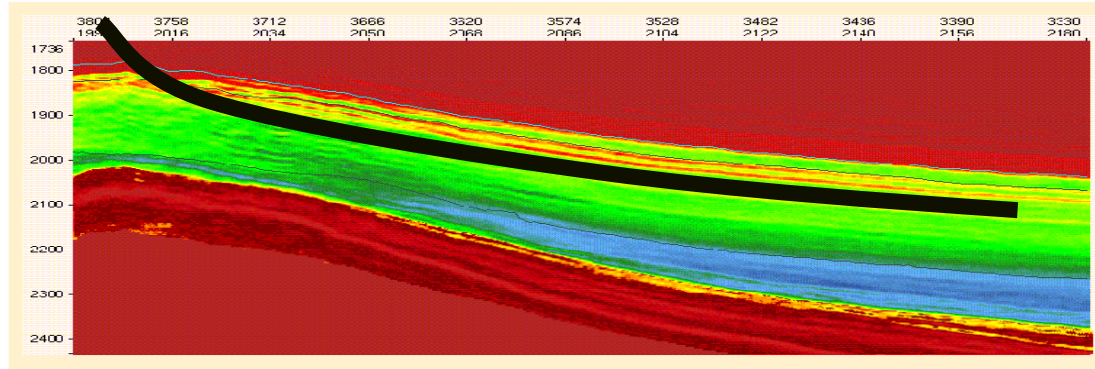
Resistivity helps determine fluids

Caliper and Gamma – helps determine lithology

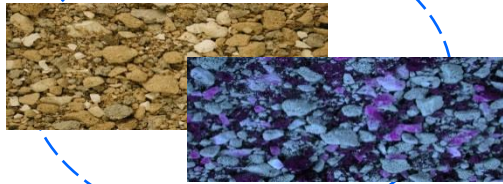
- Combining Log, Core & Test data.
- Determines the hydrocarbon in place.



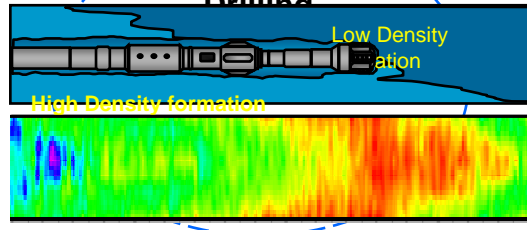
Data collection for steering of the well inside the reservoir



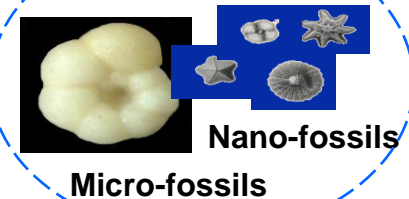
Drill cuttings



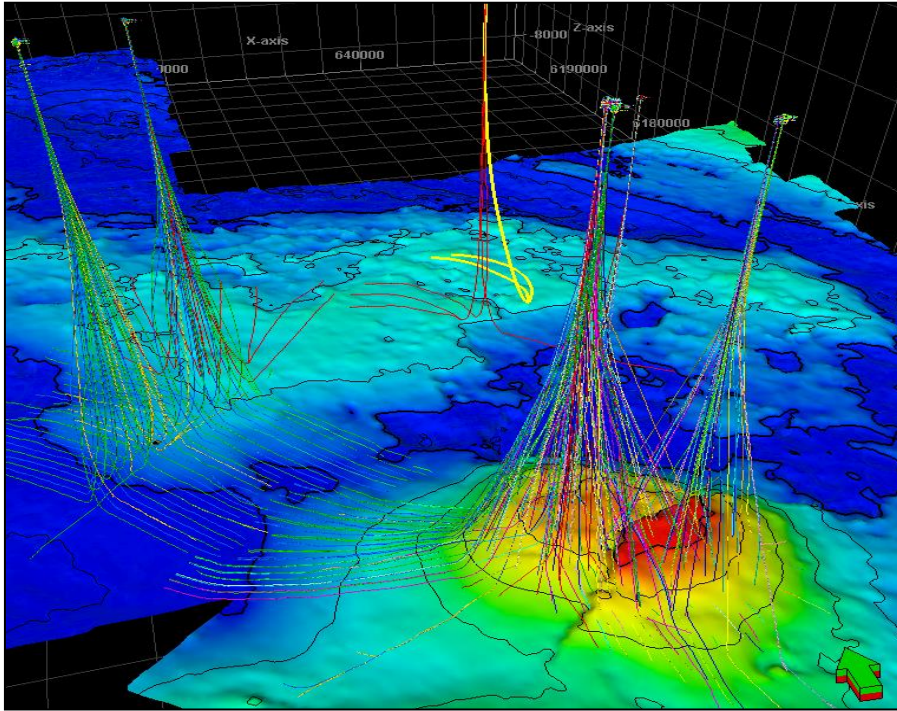
Logging while Drilling



Bio-steering



Dan and Halfdan Field Development



Dan was discovered in 1971, first Danish oil and gas field on stream, production started in 1972

Halfdan was discovered in 1998 and put on production in 1999

Illustration shows underground topography and well pattern.



Discoveries pass through:

- Appraisal
- Development
- Production
- Abandonment

It can be many years from discover to production. This affects the value of the opportunity (time value of money)

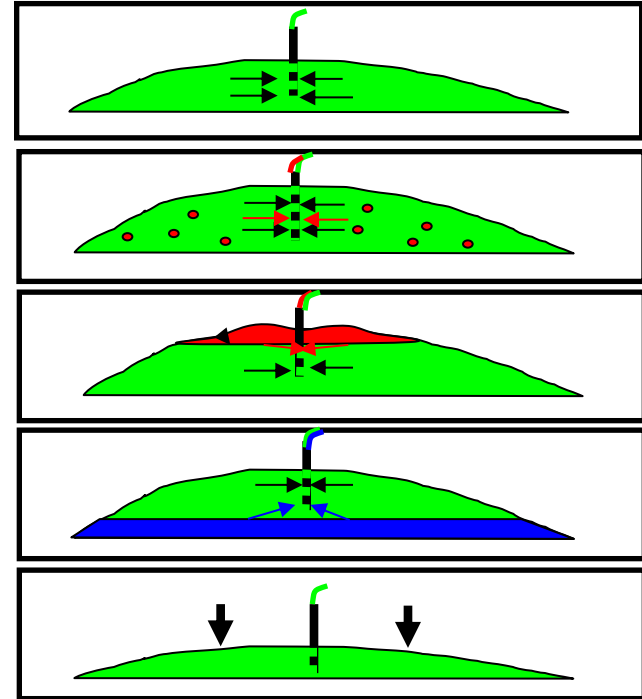
Exploration is a long term and expensive business but is the life-blood of an oil company.

Microscopic & Macroscopic – Sweep Efficiency

- Microscopic Sweep Efficiency (RF-micro)
 - How large fraction of the local STOIIP is produced
 - Controlled by microscopic recovery process
- Macroscopic Sweep Efficiency (RF-macro)
 - How large fraction of the reservoir is affected by the microscopic recovery process(es)
 - Controlled by the volumetric effect of the microscopic recovery processes and number/location of wells
- Total Recovery Factor (RF)
 - $RF = RF\text{-micro} \times RF\text{-macro}$

Primary recovery

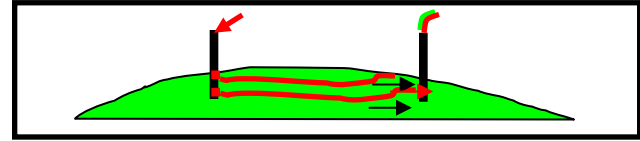
- **Pressure depletion of oil above bubble point**
→ RF = 2-5%
- **Solution gas drive in oil leg below bubble point**
→ RF = 5-10%
limited by gas fingering
secondary gas cap formation is very limited
- **Primary gas cap expansion**
→ RF = 3-4%
Limited by gas cusping
- **Aquifer expansion**
→ RF < 5%
limited by low permeability of chalk aquifer
Risk of water coning
- **Plastic chalk compaction**
→ RF = 0-(30)%,
but only in very high porosity chalk reservoirs.



Secondary recovery

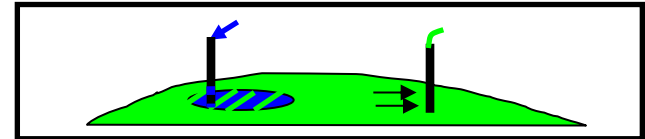
- **Simple Gas Injection: Limited recovery in chalk due to:**

- Gas channelling from injector to producer through fractures
 - Gas fingering through matrix
 - No formation of a secondary gas gap
 - Limited imbibition of gas in fractures into matrix
- Low RF-macro



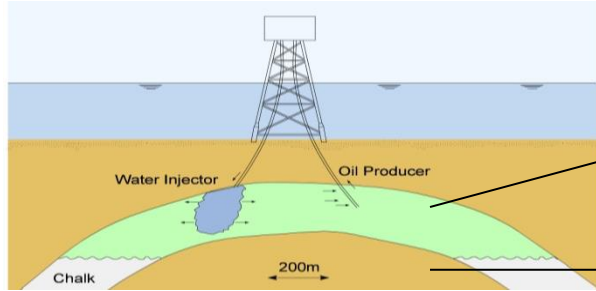
- **Water injection: Good recovery in chalk due to:**

- Relatively stable displacement (near piston-like displacement)
 - Easy to control fracturing => potential of high injection pressure
 - High potential oil displacement fraction
- Potential High RF-macro



Oil production from chalk reservoirs with water injection

Simplified chalk reservoir



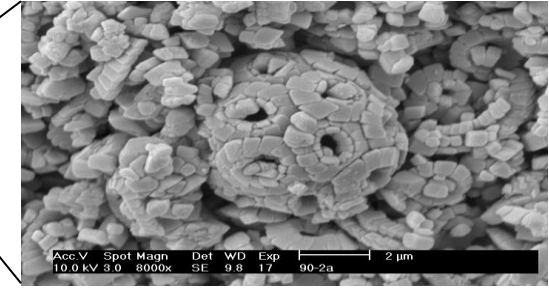
Oil is pushed towards the oil producer by injected water

Chalk reservoir analog "Stevens Klint"



Complex reservoir architecture

Detailed picture of chalk

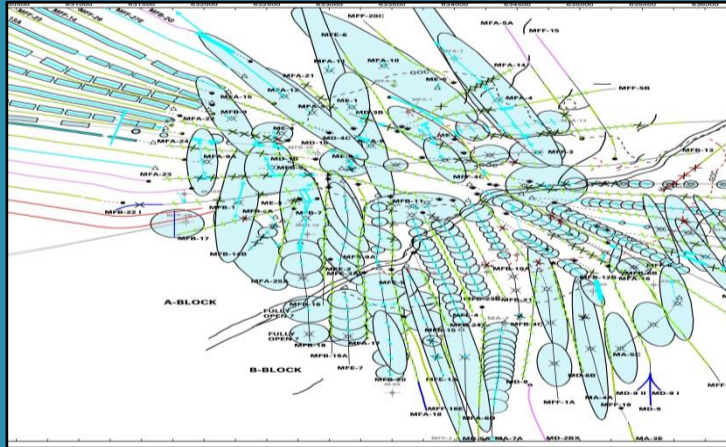


10 μm

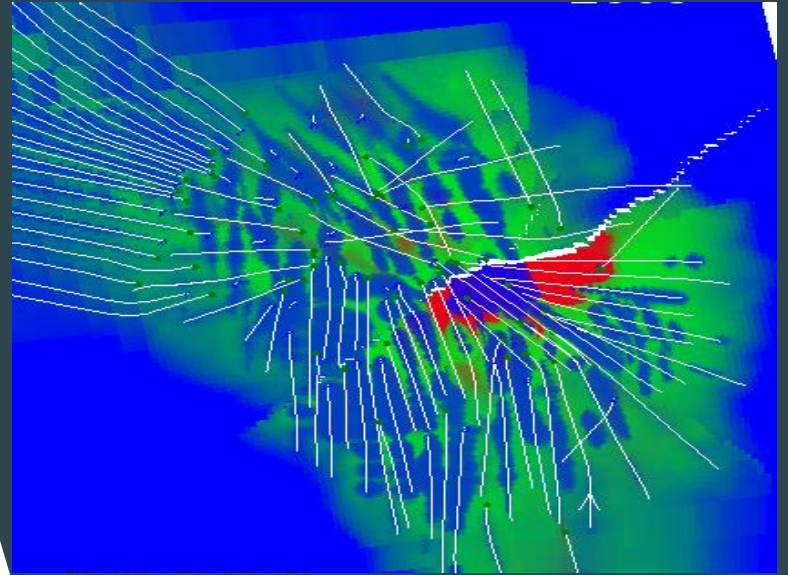
μm-size grains and pores

Maximise areal sweep

Analytical models

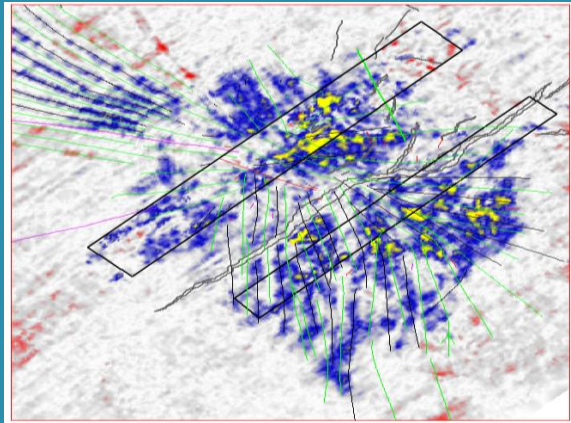


Reservoir Models

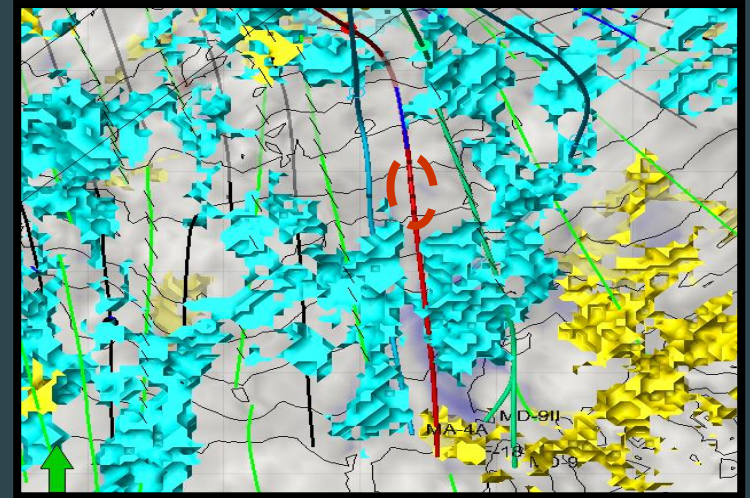


Monitor areal sweep

4D Seismic (2D)



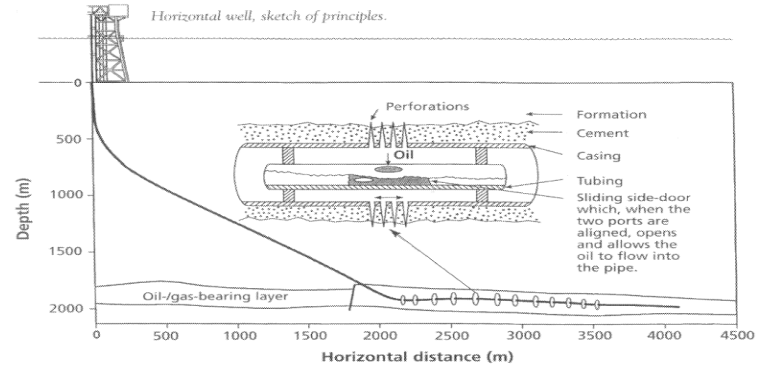
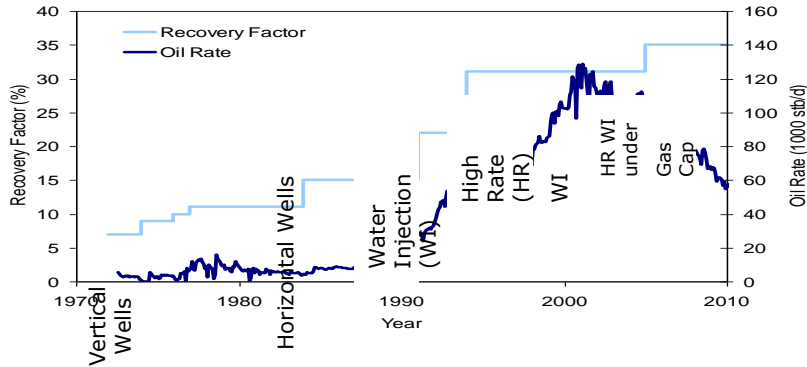
4D Seismic (3D)



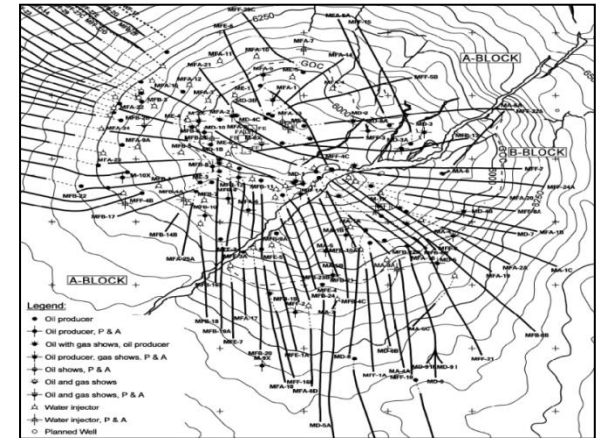
Fast water flood - Fracture Aligned Sweep Technology



Dan Experience

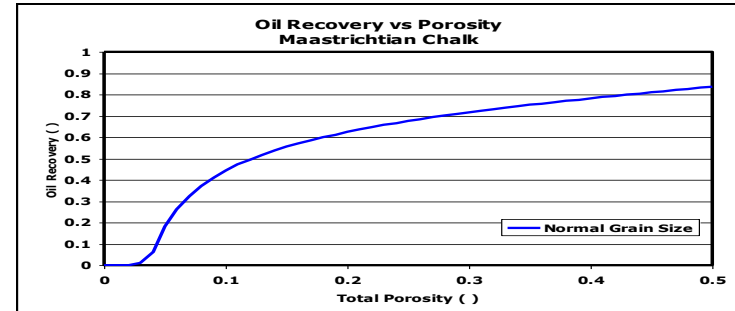
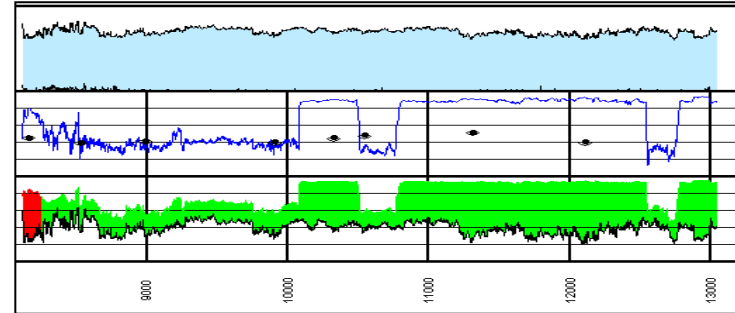


- 1972: Dan was discovered and developed using vertical wells
- 1987: Maersk Oil was one of the first oil companies drilling long reach horizontal well
- 1988: Maersk Oil was one of the first oil companies to start water injection
- 1994: Well spacing was reduced and high rate injection was increasing and accelerating recovery
- 1999: Development of the Dan West Flank was started
- Dan recovery is approaching 35%



Water flood experience

- Often stable displacement
- Displace oil saturation down to water-flood remaining oil saturation where water-flood works. The exact value of $S_{or}(w)f$ as recorded in water-flooded zones still somewhat disputed due to petrophysical interpretation problems
- Cause gradually increasing water-cuts when flood-fronts break-through along horizontal wells



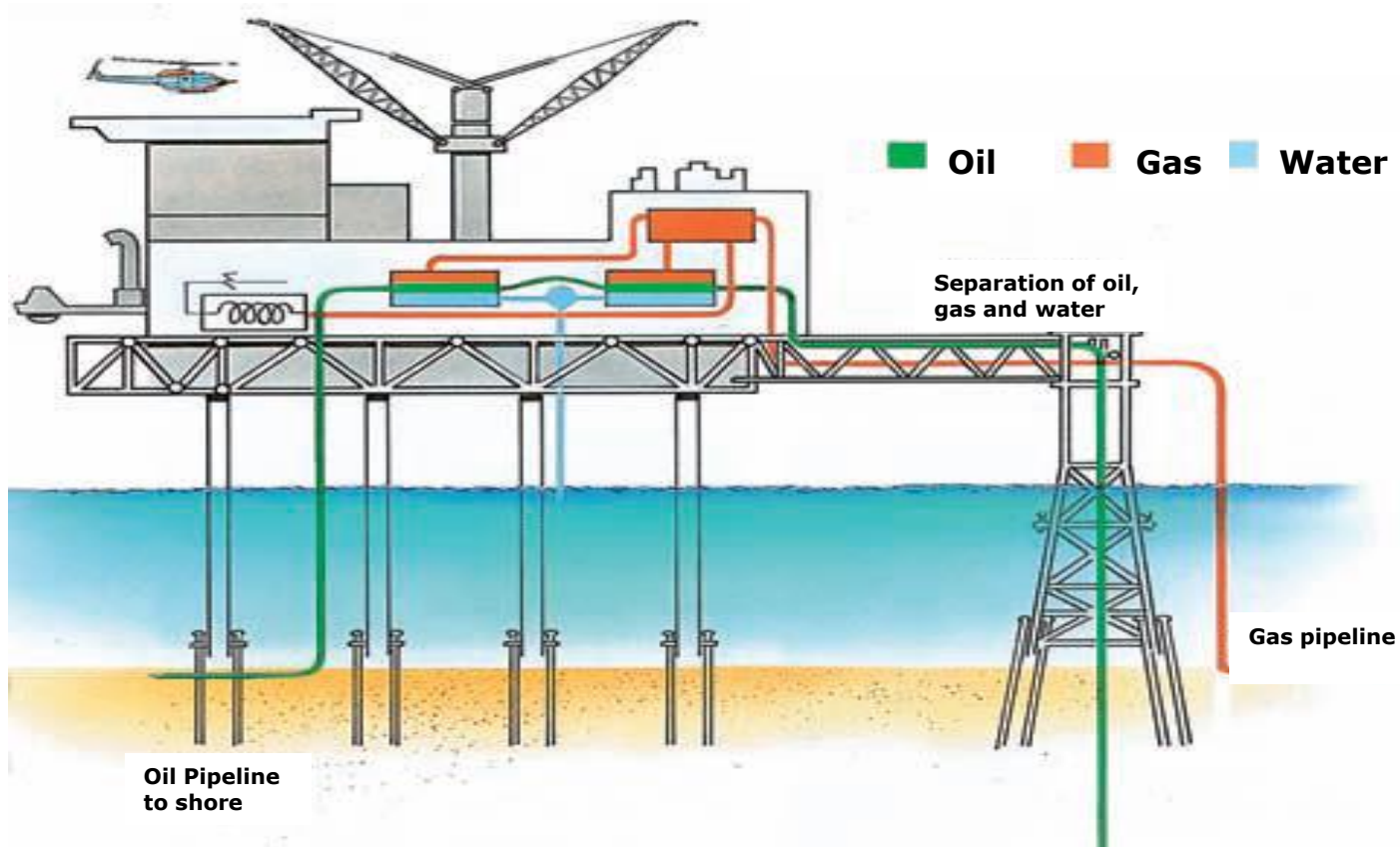
Tertiary Recovery Efficiency/Chalk

Typically reduction of $S_{or}(w)f$

- **Injection of miscible fluids (CO_2 , Rich HC-gas etc.)**
 - Injected fluids tends to dissolve the oil volume left by e.g. water flooding
- **Injection of alternating fluids (WAG**)
 - Injection of pulses of different fluid (e.g. water-gas-water-gas) tends to reduce $S_{or}(w)f$ due to 3-phase relative permeability effects
- **Microbiological Enhanced Oil Recovery (MEOR)**
 - MEOR works typically by microbiological activity create biofilms that plug the rock and divert injected fluids
 - MEOR-technique is not used in chalk
- **Fire flooding**
 - Injection of air into a reservoir may allow the oil in a reservoir to ignite (even in a waterflooded zone) and burn. The burn-front vapourize all the fluids that condense after cooling ahead of the burn front.
 - Potentially very efficient process
- **NanoChalk**
 - Works potentially by re-crystalizing the chalk and thus releasing the trapped oil-droplets after a water flood plus enhancing the permeability.
- **Etc.**

Macroscopic sweep efficiency of all tertiary recovery methods are in general poor

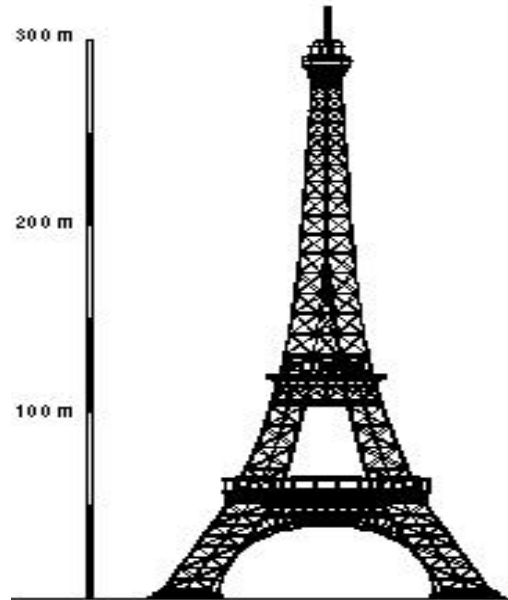
Production and Utilisation of Oil and Gas



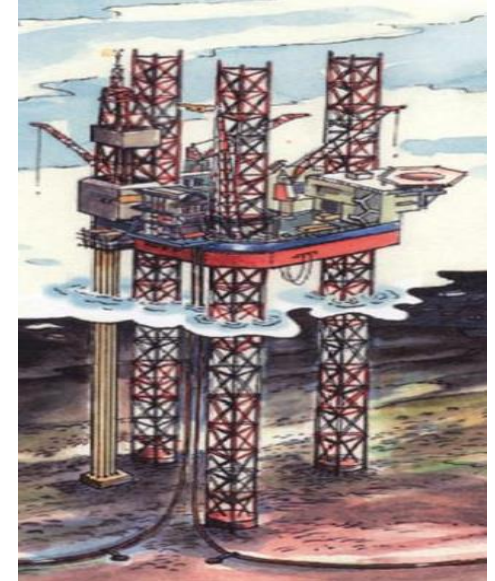
New oil and gas wells are drilled by mobile (jack-up) drilling rigs



Jack-up rig during towage, with legs elevated



Eiffel Tower



Jack-up rig in position, with legs on seabed and hull elevated







Petrochemical Products



Plastics
Pharmaceuticals
Cosmetics
synthetic fibres
detergents, solvents
Fertilizers
Agricultural products

Resins
Paints
Dyes
Detergents
Water repellents
Explosives.....





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