



# Julia based geophysical optimization and Bayesian inference

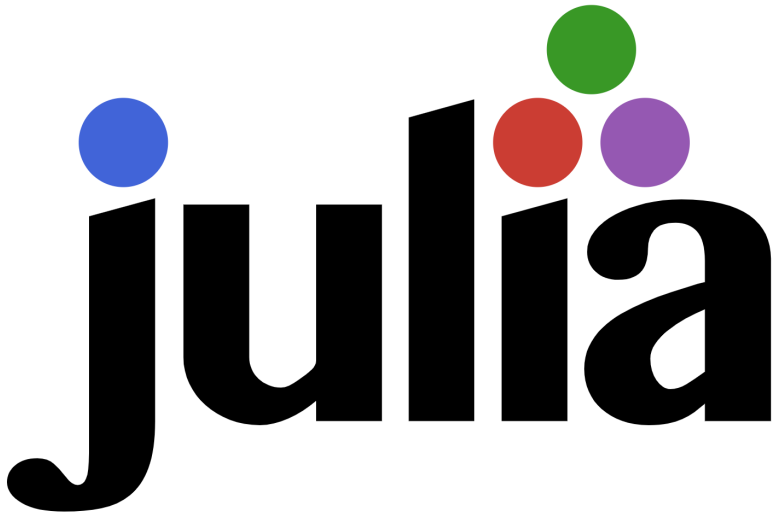
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# High Quality Geophysical Analysis: HiQGA.jl

- Can do a variety of modeling, inversion and inference:
- AEM, SMRI, MT, CSEM, image regression, and Gauss-Newton/Occam inversion
- Can also do generic joint inversion, e.g., MT and AEM
- Open source, very flexible MIT license



<https://julialang.org/downloads>

<https://github.com/GeoscienceAustralia/HiQGA.jl>

## 🔗 Installation

To install the latest stable release, in a perfect world we'd use Julia's `Pkg` REPL by hitting `]` to enter `pkg>` mode. Then enter the following, at the `pkg>` prompt:

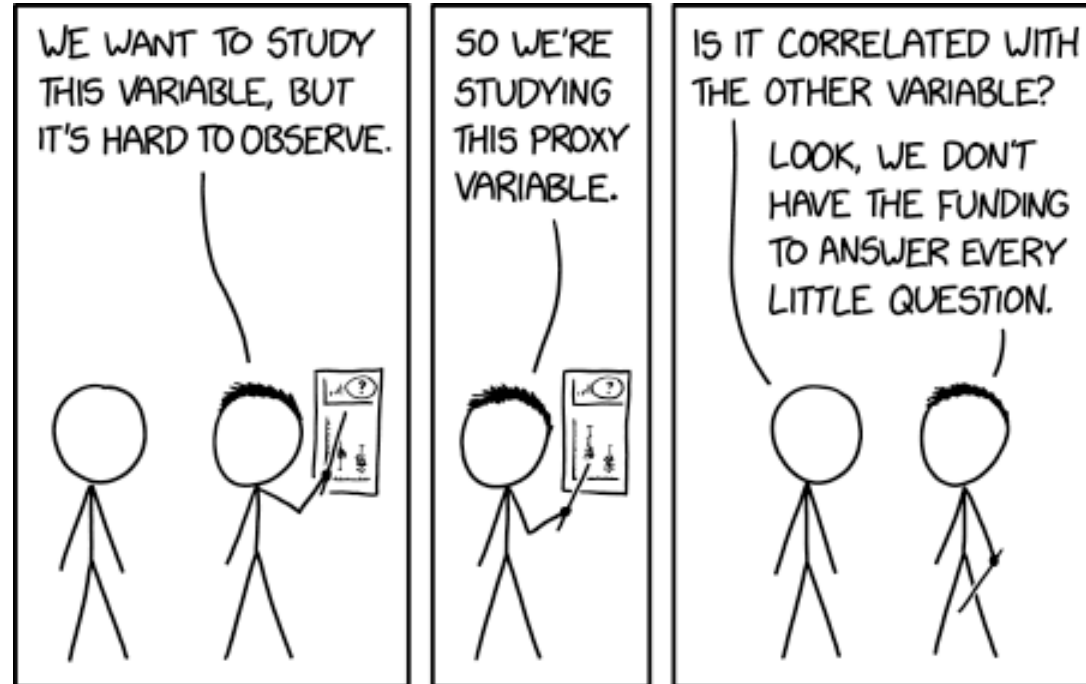
```
pkg> add HiQGA
```

# Download the entire HiQGA package

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for GeoscienceAustralia/HiQGA.jl. The browser address bar contains the URL `github.com/GeoscienceAustralia/HiQGA.jl`, which is highlighted with a red box. The repository page shows the 'Code' button highlighted with a red box. The 'Code' dropdown menu is open, showing options like 'Clone', 'Open with GitHub Desktop', and 'Download ZIP', with 'Download ZIP' highlighted by a red box.

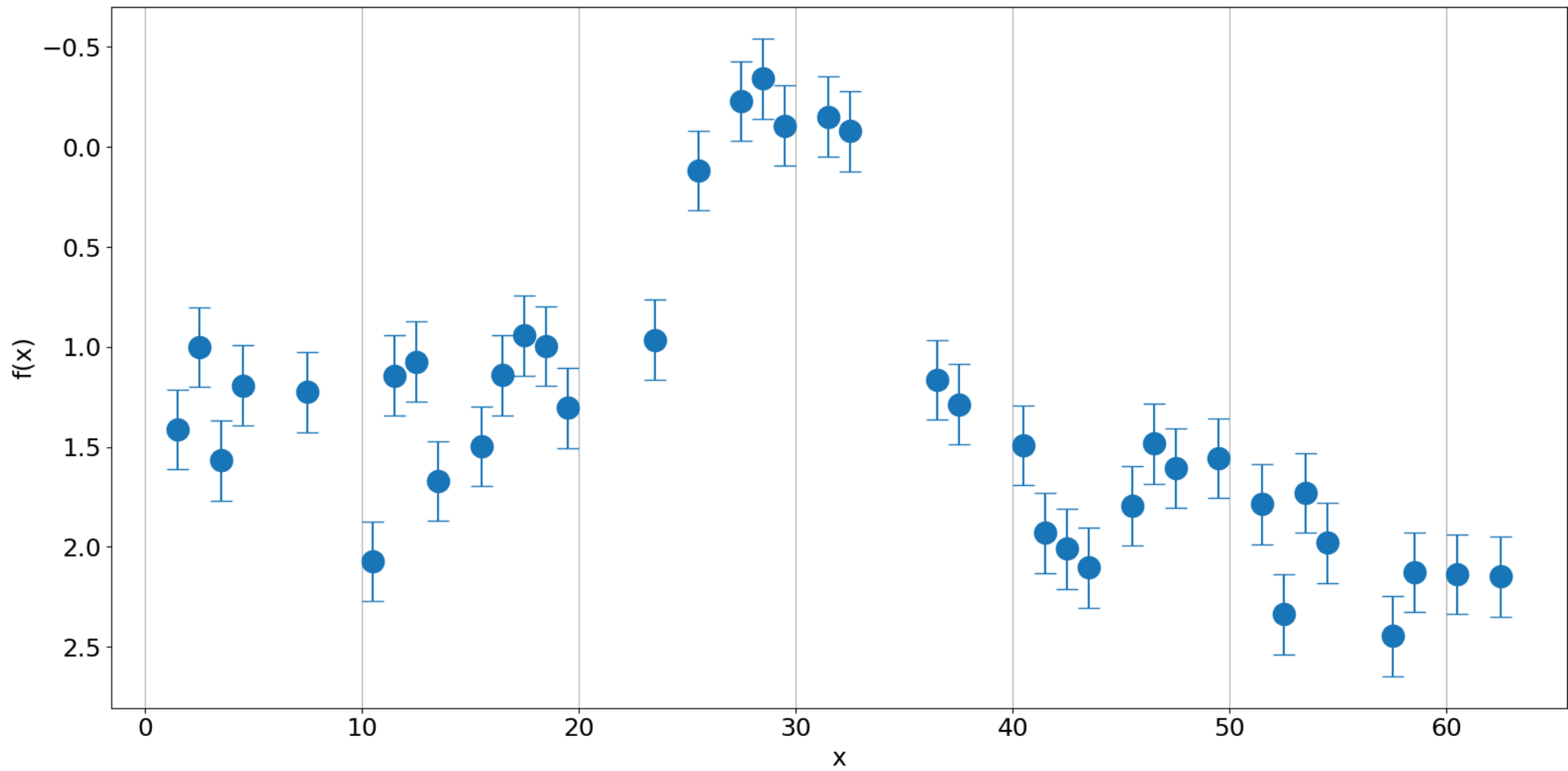
- Go to the highlighted URL
- Hit the Code box
- Download the entire package as a zip file
- Or you can clone it with git

# Inference in a nutshell



<https://xkcd.com/2652/>

# How would you fit this?



$m = 39$  data points

# One way to represent this

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$n = 65$

# Representing one observation

$$[y_2] = [0 \quad 1 \quad \dots \quad 0] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{e}_2] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

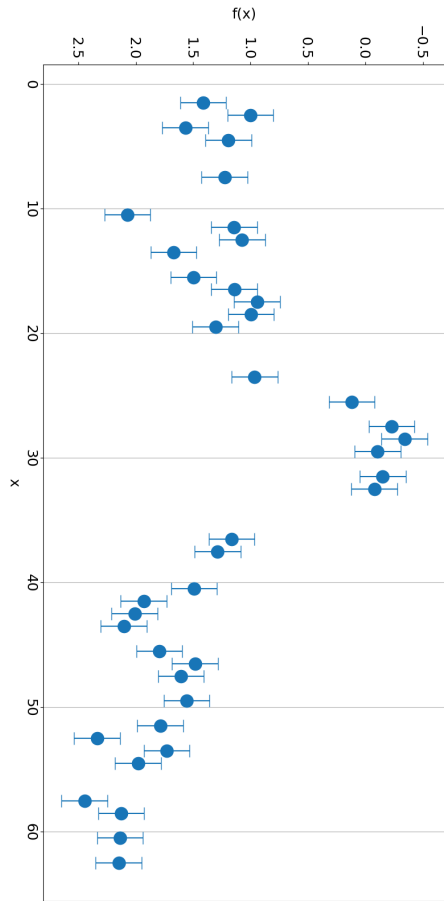
## But we don't have all observations

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_2 \\ y_4 \\ y_9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_2 \\ \mathbf{e}_4 \\ \mathbf{e}_9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

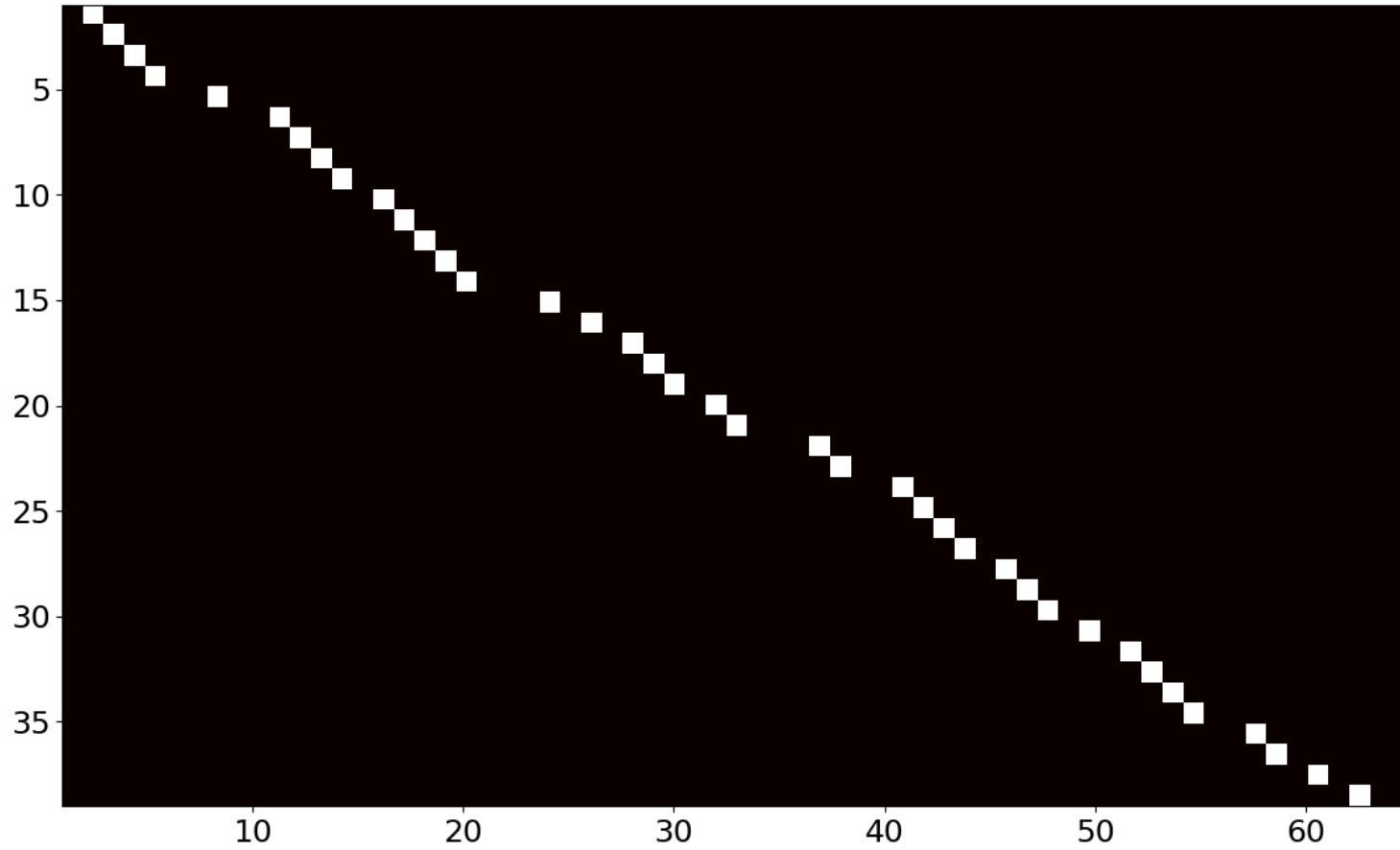
$m = 3$  data points for  
example



# A system of equations



=



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$y$

$A$

$x$

## Least squares ... and we're done!

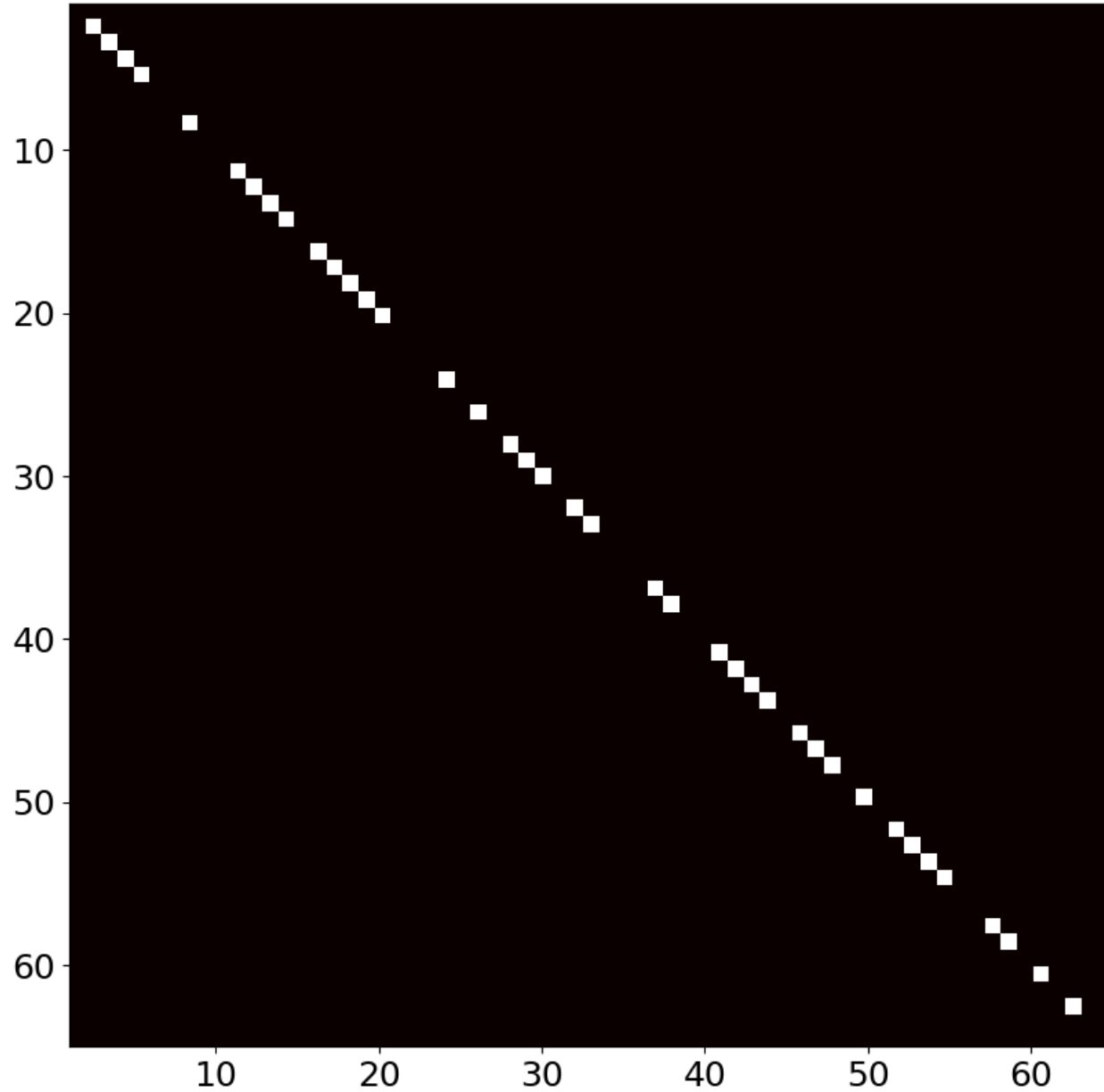
$$\phi = \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|^2,$$

$$\text{set } \nabla_x \phi = 0,$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{y}.$$


# Or are we?

A<sup>t</sup>A

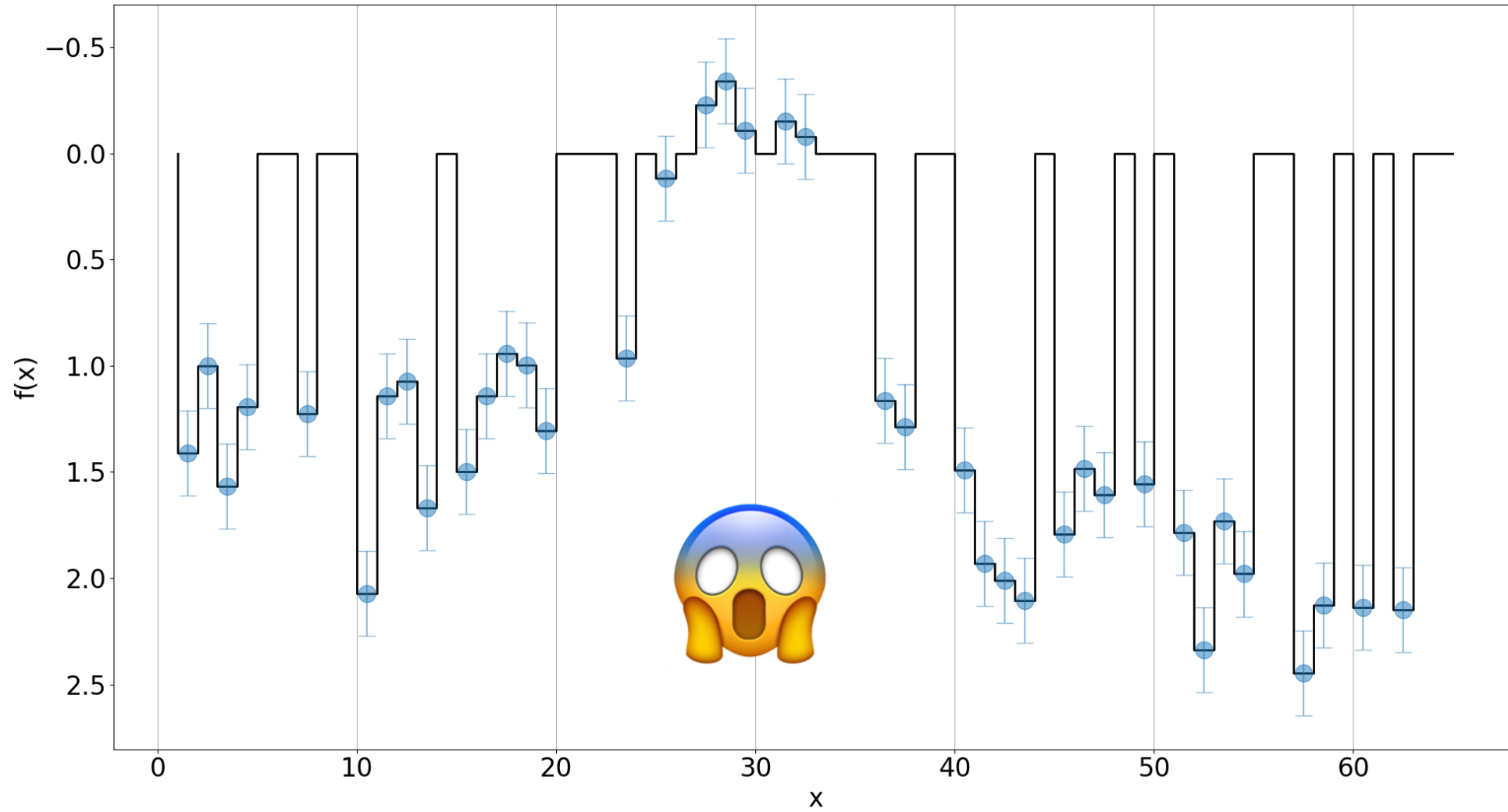


## Add to the diagonal of $\mathbf{A}^t\mathbf{A}$

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{\text{ridge}} = (\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A} + \delta^2 \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{y}.$$

  
10<sup>-16</sup>

# Ridge solution



# Enforce smoothness instead

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & & \\ -1 & 1 & & & \\ & -1 & 1 & & \\ & & & \dots & \\ 0 & & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -x_1 + x_2 \\ -x_2 + x_3 \\ \vdots \\ -x_{n-1} + x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

**R**

**x**

**=**

**diff(x)**

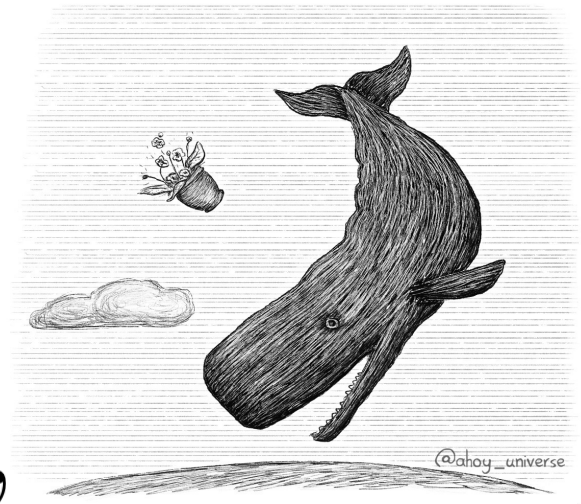
Oh no, not again ...

$$\phi = \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{R}\mathbf{x}\|^2,$$

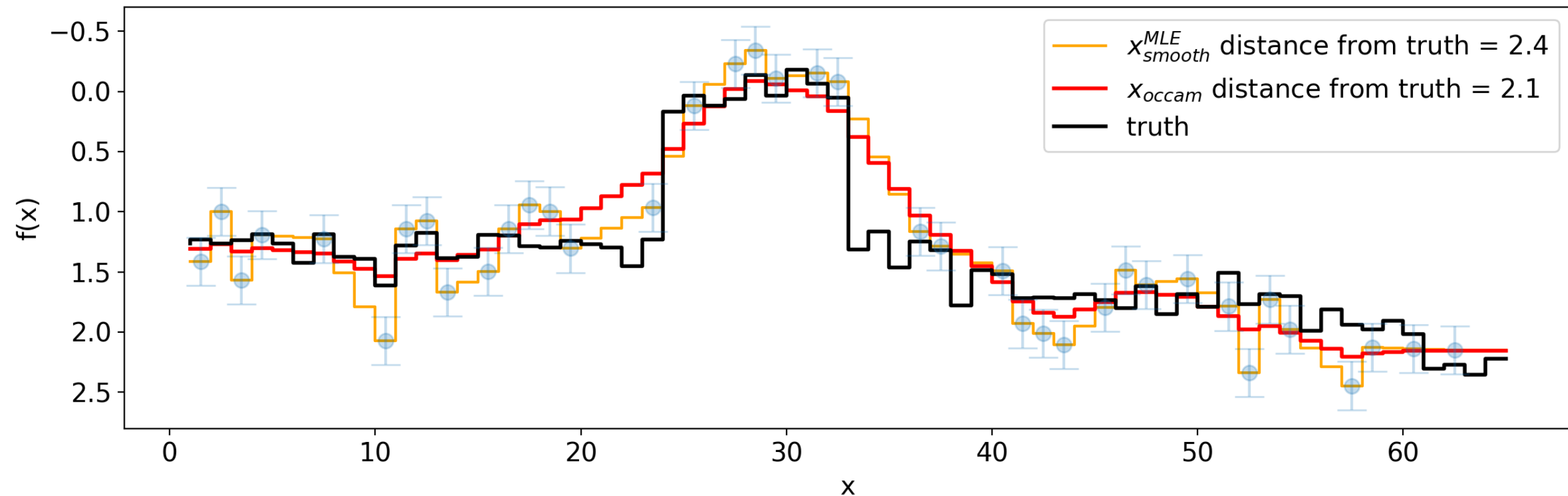
$$\text{set } \nabla_x \phi = 0,$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{\text{smooth}}^{\text{MLE}} = (\mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{A} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{R}^t \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^t \mathbf{y}$$

$10^{-16}$



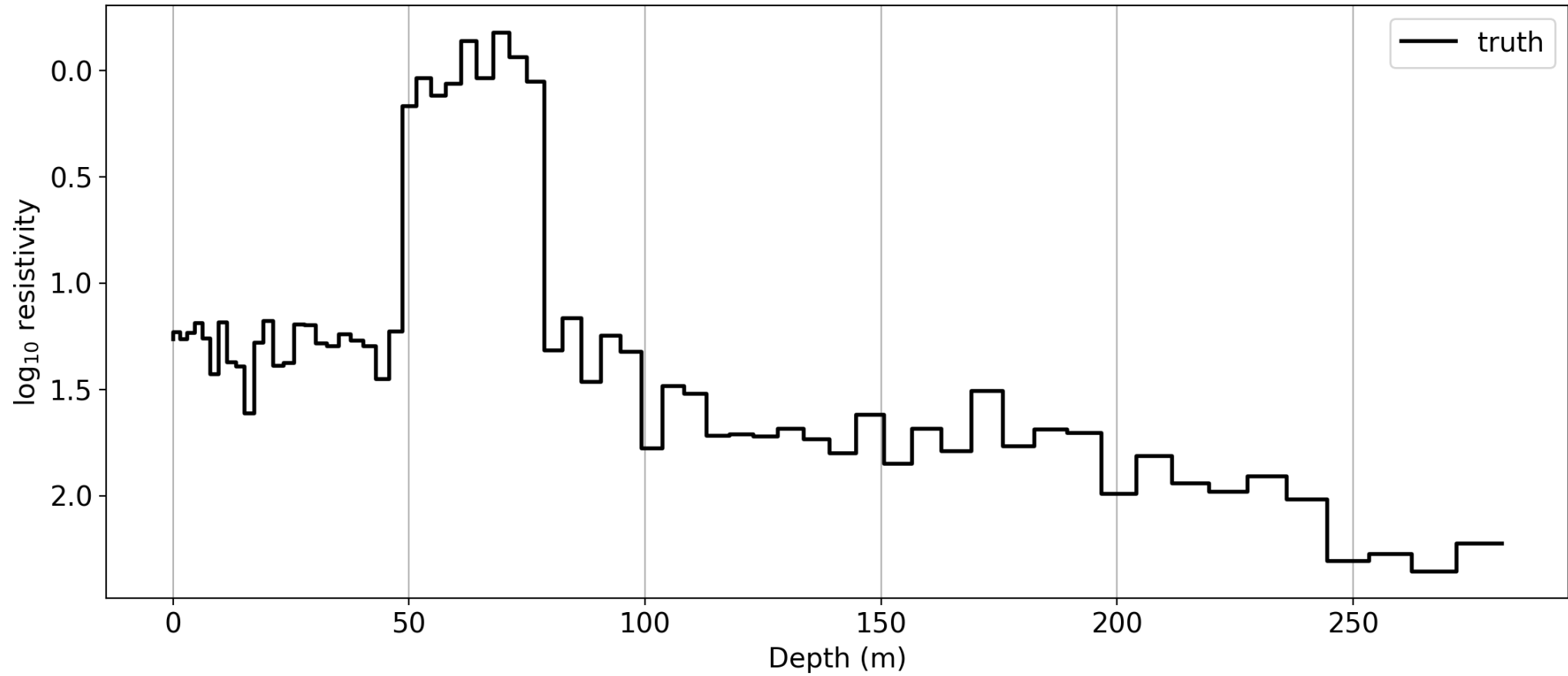
# Occam vs MLE and “distance from the truth”



**Occam** = ?*Guaranteed*? *smoothest model* within data noise!



# But the truth this is from a well log!



# The general, non-linear case

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \|\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}))\|^2 + \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{Rm}\|_p^p \right),$$

but now set  $p = 2$ ,

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \|\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}))\|^2 + \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{Rm}\|^2 \right),$$

but how to set  $\nabla_m \phi = 0$  ?

*linearize*  $\phi(\mathbf{m})$  to  $\phi(\mathbf{m} + \Delta\mathbf{m})$  i.e.,

$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}) \rightarrow \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m} + \Delta\mathbf{m})$ ,  $\mathbf{Rm} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{m} + \Delta\mathbf{m})$  first.

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m} + \Delta\mathbf{m}) \approx \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}) + \mathbf{J}\Delta\mathbf{m}.$$

# Radiohead said it ... creep

first write residual  $\mathbf{r} \approx \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}) - \mathbf{d}$

derive with respect to  $\Delta\mathbf{m}$ ,

set  $\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial\Delta\mathbf{m}} = 0$ , giving,

$$\Delta\mathbf{m} = -\left(\mathbf{J}^t\mathbf{W}^t\mathbf{W}\mathbf{J} + \lambda^2\mathbf{R}^t\mathbf{R}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathbf{J}^t\mathbf{W}^t\mathbf{W}\mathbf{r} + \lambda^2\mathbf{R}^t\mathbf{R}\mathbf{m}\right)$$

note also, that  $\nabla_m\phi = \mathbf{J}^t\mathbf{W}^t\mathbf{W}\mathbf{r} + \lambda^2\mathbf{R}^t\mathbf{R}\mathbf{m}$ . Gradient

note finally, that  $\frac{\partial(\nabla_m\phi)}{\partial\mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{J}^t\mathbf{W}^t\mathbf{W}\mathbf{J} + \lambda^2\mathbf{R}^t\mathbf{R}$ . Approximate Hessian

# Gradient descent!

$$\mathbf{m}_{\text{new}} = \mathbf{m} + \Delta \mathbf{m}$$

writing  $\nabla_m \phi = \mathbf{J}^t \mathbf{W}^t \mathbf{W} \mathbf{r} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{R}^t \mathbf{R} \mathbf{m}$ ,

and  $\eta = \left( \mathbf{J}^t \mathbf{W}^t \mathbf{W} \mathbf{J} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{R}^t \mathbf{R} \right)^{-1}$  we now say,

$$\mathbf{m}_{\text{new}} = \mathbf{m} - \eta \nabla_m \phi$$

## Successive linearization:

Replace  $\mathbf{m}$  with  $\mathbf{m}_{\text{new}}$

Continue until residual is within noise

Find smoothest model within data error, as usual.

# Gradient descent → Bayes theorem

rewriting  $\phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \|\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}))\|^2 + \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{R}\mathbf{m}\|^2 \right)$  as,

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m})]^t \mathbf{W}^t \mathbf{W} [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m})] + \lambda^2 \mathbf{m}^t \mathbf{R}^t \mathbf{R} \mathbf{m} \right),$$

identifying  $\lambda^2 \mathbf{R}^t \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{C}_m^{-1}$ ,

and  $\mathbf{W}^t \mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C}_d^{-1}$ ,

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \left( [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m})]^t \mathbf{C}_d^{-1} [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m})] + \mathbf{m}^t \mathbf{C}_m^{-1} \mathbf{m} \right),$$

further identifying  $\log p(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{d}) = -\phi(\mathbf{m}) + \text{const}$ ,

$$\text{and } \log p(\mathbf{d}|\mathbf{m}) = -\frac{1}{2} \left( [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m})]^t \mathbf{C}_d^{-1} [\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m})] \right),$$

$$\text{and } \log p(\mathbf{m}) = -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{m}^t \mathbf{C}_m^{-1} \mathbf{m},$$

we can write for the non-linear yet Gaussian case,

$$\text{posterior } p(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{d}) \propto p(\mathbf{d}|\mathbf{m}) \cdot p(\mathbf{m}).$$

# A traditional Bayesian view

updated belief  $\propto$  likelihood of belief  $\cdot$  prior belief

$$p(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{d}) \propto p(\mathbf{d}|\mathbf{m}) \cdot p(\mathbf{m})$$

Given the observed geophysical data  $\mathbf{d}$ , new belief in model  $\mathbf{m}$

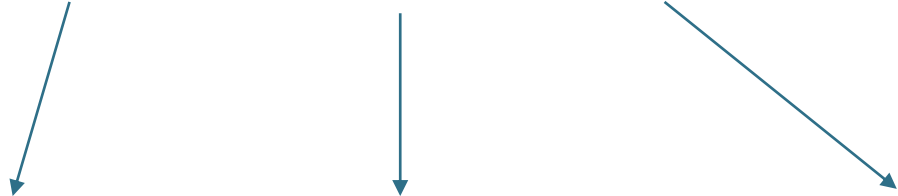
Given the model  $\mathbf{m}$ , accuracy of geophysical prediction

$\mathbf{m}$  is a model obtained from prior notions, e.g., well data, geology, etc.

# Equivalence of Bayes' theorem with optimization

updated belief  $\propto$  likelihood of belief  $\cdot$  prior belief

$$p(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{d}) \propto p(\mathbf{d}|\mathbf{m}) \cdot p(\mathbf{m})$$

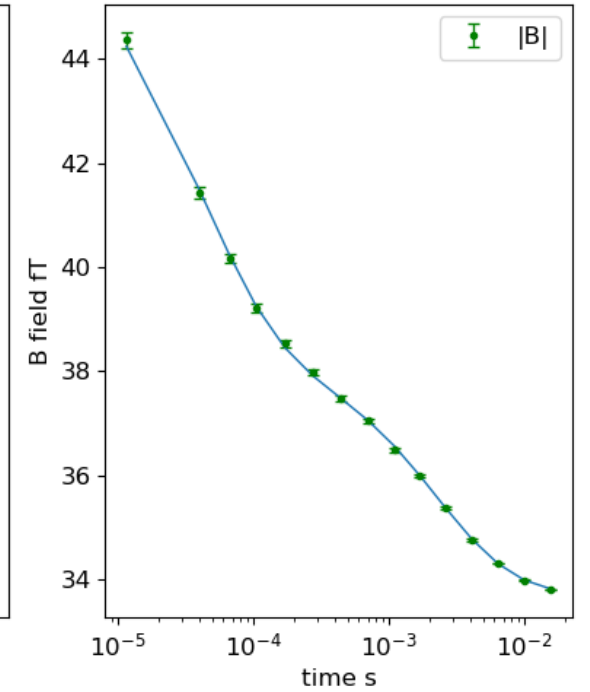
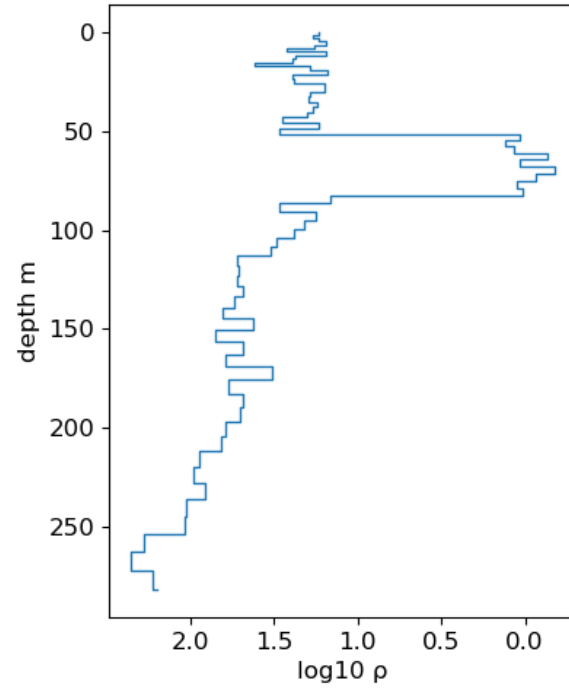
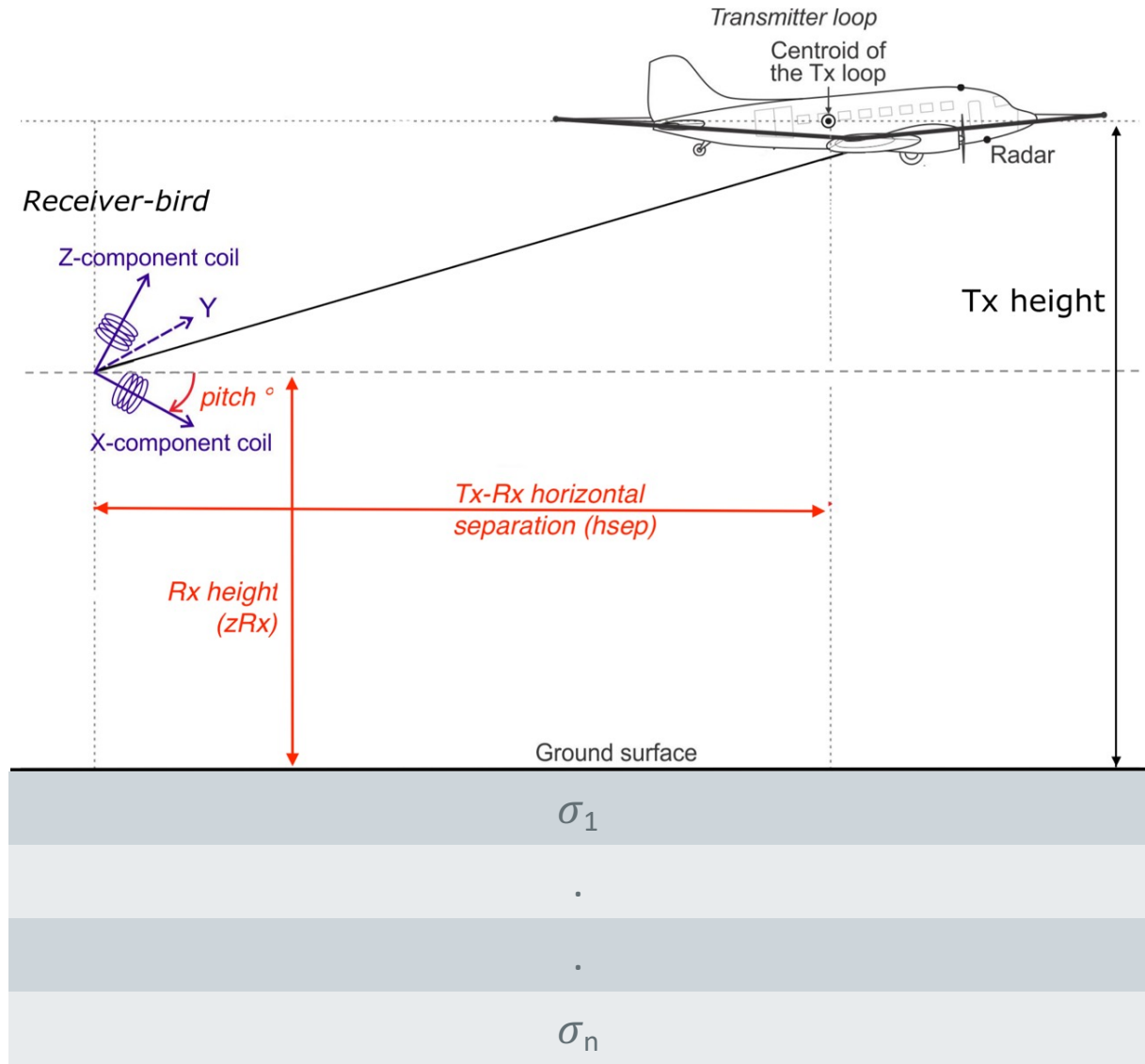


$\arg \min \phi(\mathbf{m}) = \|\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}))\|_2^2 + \lambda^2 \|\mathbf{R}\mathbf{m}\|_p^p$

There is NO objective, unbiased inversion.

- Choices need to be made!
- Occam is **one** good choice

# An AEM inverse problem





# Occam and posterior solutions

HiQGA.jl / examples / tempest / synth / gradientbased /

01\_make\_model.jl

02\_set\_options.jl

03\_run\_inversion.jl

03\_run\_inversion\_nuisance.jl

04\_plot\_results.jl

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01\_make\_model.jl

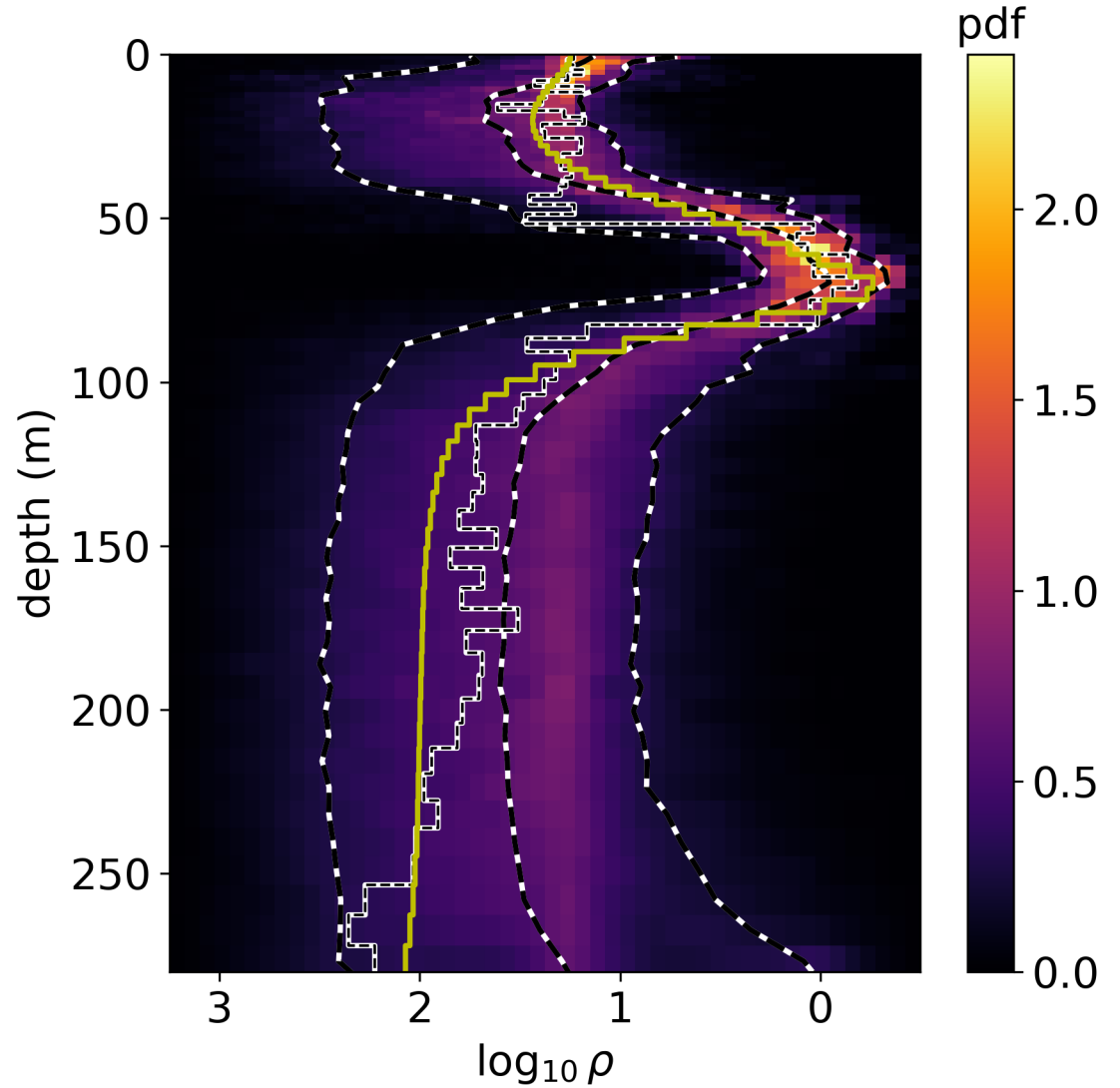
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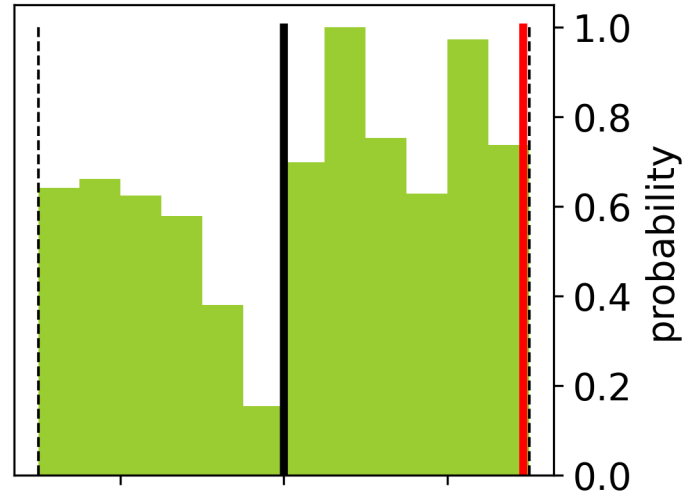
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electronics\_halt.jl

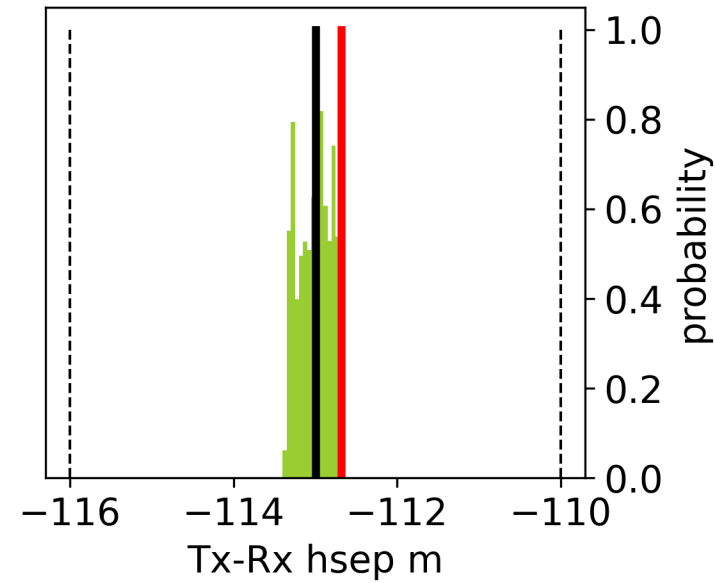
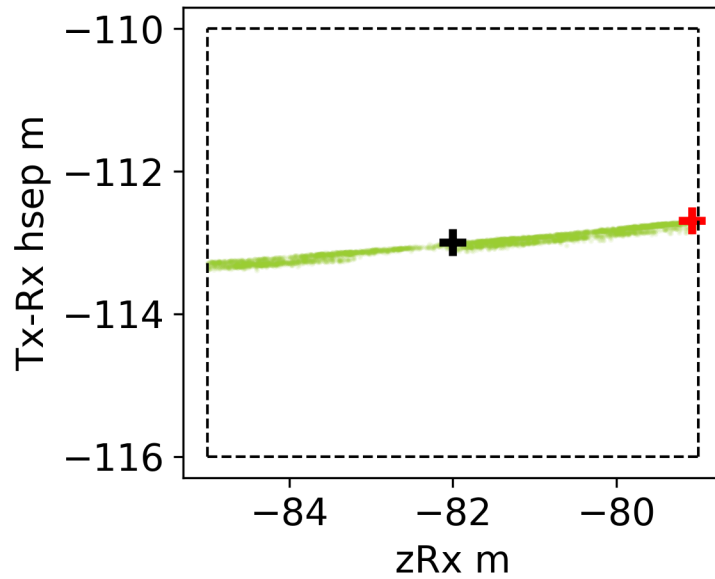
Notebook style code execution



# Hierarchical Bayesian nuisance crossplots



Notice how nuisance estimates are within bounds



# Julia code

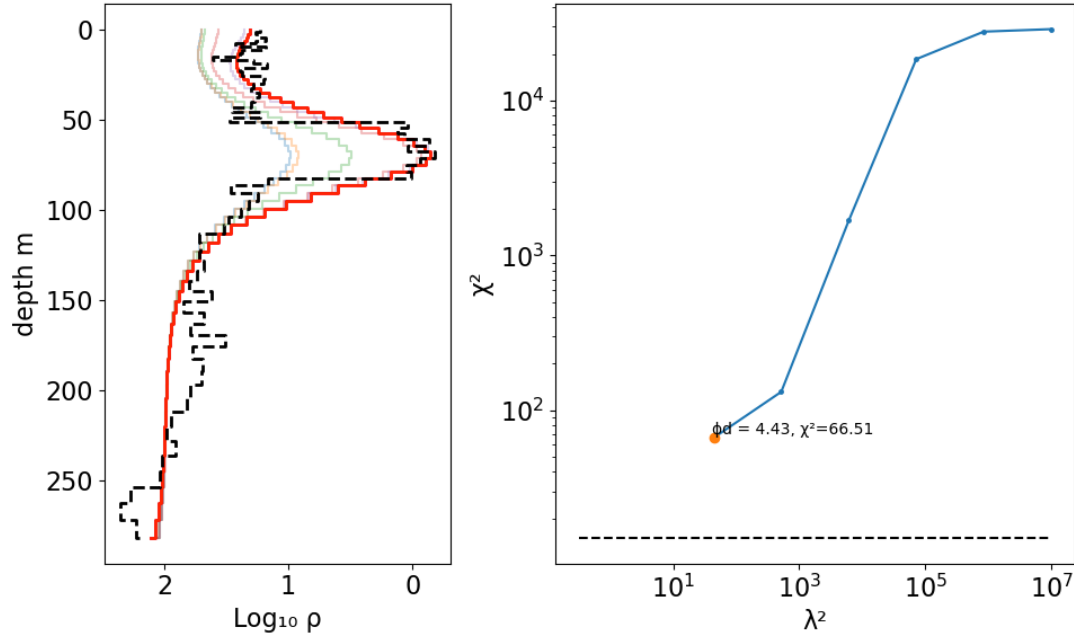
```
m, nu,  $\chi^2$ ,  $\chi^2$ nu,  $\lambda^2$ , idx = transD_GP.gradientinv([start,  $\sigma_0$ , nustart, tempest;  
nstepsmax=30,  
# Occam stuff  
 $\lambda^2$ min,  $\lambda^2$ max,  $\beta^2$ , ntries,  
lo, hi, regtype,  
# optim stuff  
nubounds,  
ntriesnu = 5,  
boxiters = 2,  
usebox = true,  
reducenuto = 0.2,  
debuglevel = 2,  
breaknuonknown = false]);
```

Same physics  
operator,  
different Julia  
methods

```
## run MCMC  
@time transD_GP.main(opt, optn, tempest, Tmax=Tmax, nsamples=nsamples, nchains=nchains, nchainsatone=nchainsatone)
```

# Get insight into the inversion, within Julia

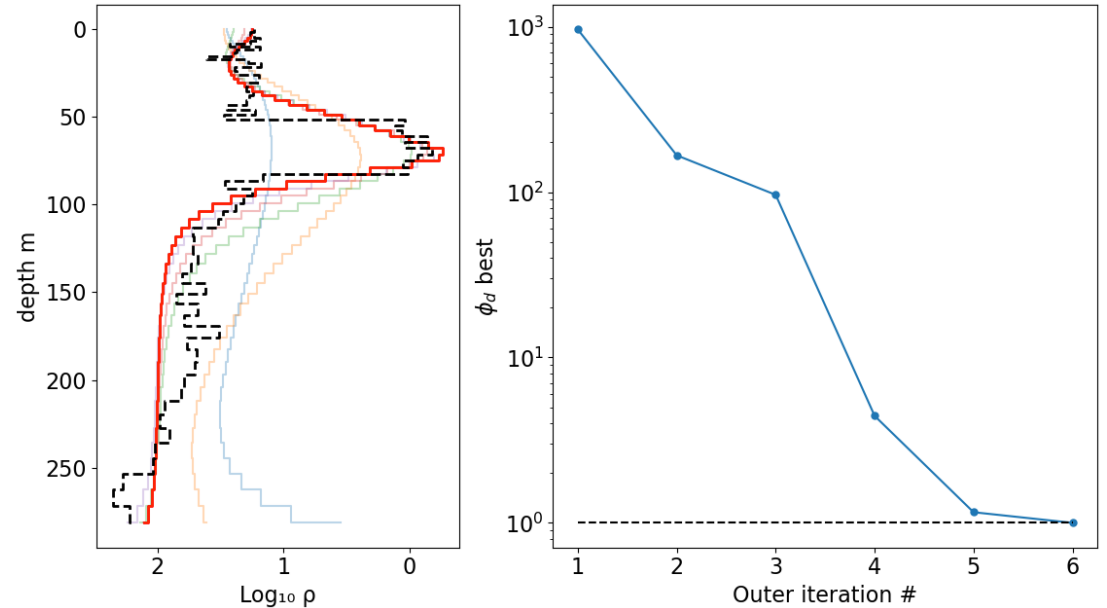
Iteration 4,  $\alpha=0.5$



Line searches and step sizes are a nasty bag of tricks!

2 stage alternating inversion

- Conductivities (within bounds Occam)
- Tx-Rx Geometry (Barrier BFGS)



# Write code as the math is derived

Matrix free regularization operator construction!

```
function makeregR1(F::Operator1D)
    n = length(F.ρ) - F.nfixed
    LinearMap(R1Dop, Rt1Dop, n)
end

function R1Dop(x::Vector)
    vcat(0, diff(x))
end

function Rt1Dop(y::Vector)
    x = vcat(-diff(y), y[end])
    x[1] = -y[2]
    x
end
```

```
• julia> R = transD_GP.makeregR1(tempest)
65×65 LinearMaps.FunctionMap{Float64}(R1Dop, Rt1Dop; ismutating=false, issymmetric=false, ishermitian=false, is
posdef=false)
```

Inspect it explicitly

```
• julia> Matrix(R)
65×65 Matrix{Float64}:
 0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  ...  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
-1.0  1.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  ...  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0  0.0
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```

Cascade operators and inspect!

```
• julia> Matrix(R*R)
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```

```
JtW, Wr = F.J'*F.W, F.W*F.res
H = (JtW*(JtW)' + λ²*R'R + λ²*β²*I)
U = cholesky(Positive, H, Val{false}).U
```

note finally, that  $\frac{\partial(\nabla_m \phi)}{\partial \mathbf{m}} = \mathbf{J}^t \mathbf{W}^t \mathbf{W} \mathbf{J} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{R}^t \mathbf{R}$ . Approximate Hessian

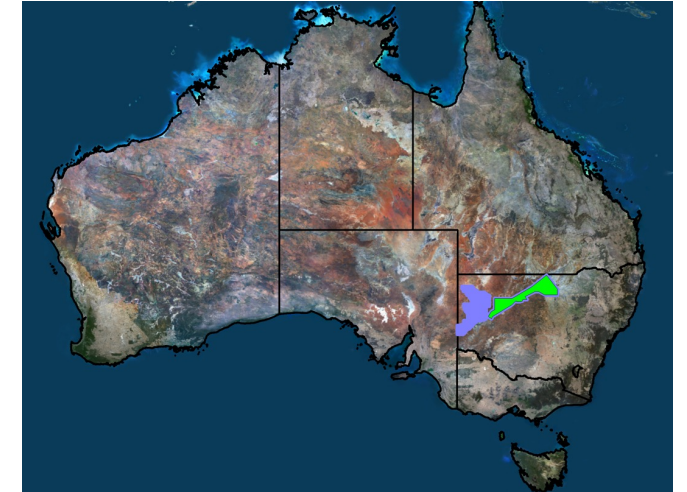
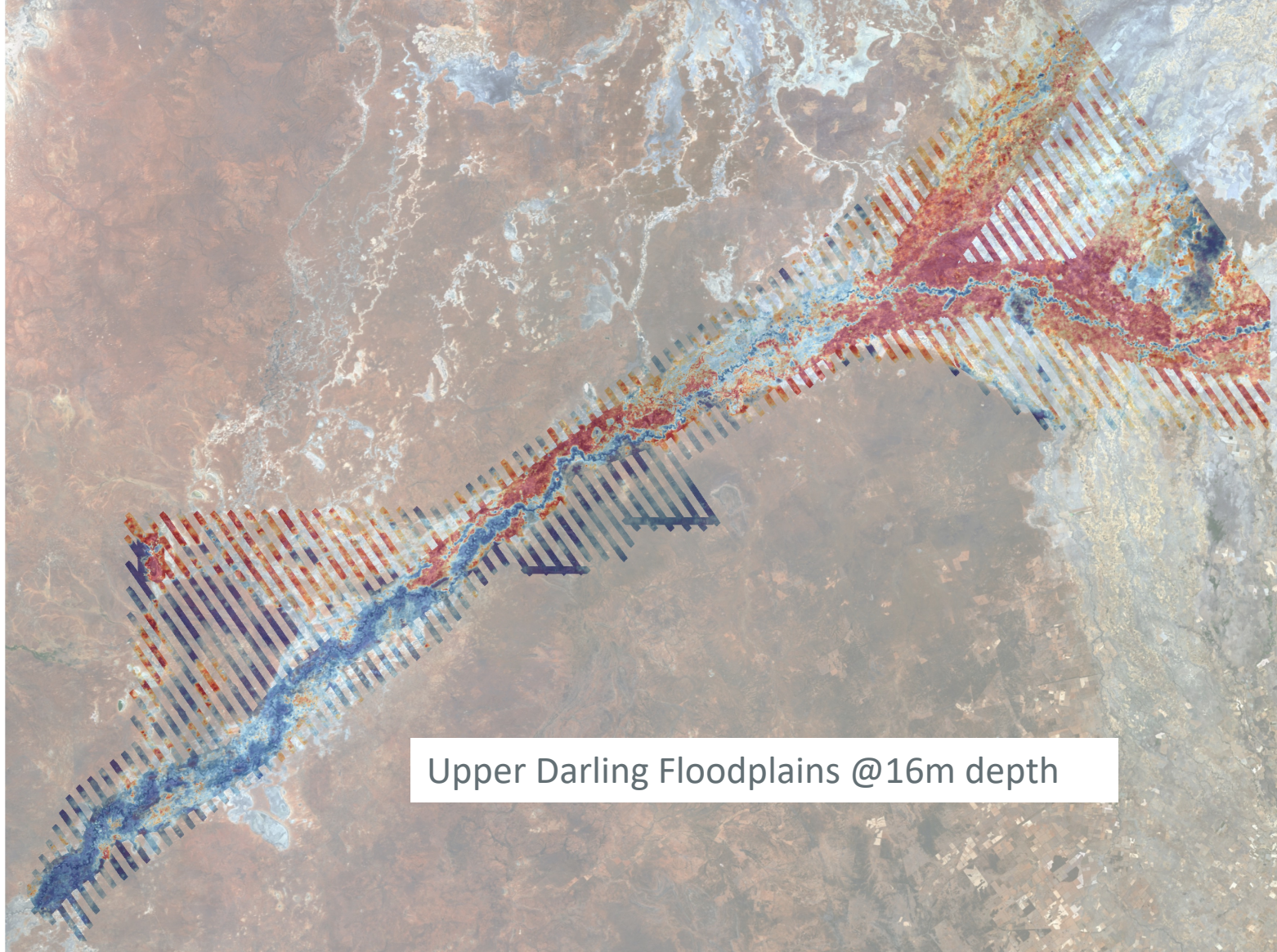
# Natively parallel programming paradigm

```
function domcmcitters(iterlast, nsamples, chains, m::DArray{ModelStat},
    opt::DArray{OptionsStat}, stat,
    current_misfit, F, wp, nominaltime)
    # purely stationary GP moves

    t, tlong = map(x->time(), 1:2)
    for isample = iterlast+1:iterlast+nsamples
        swap_temps(chains)
        @sync for (chain_idx, chain) in enumerate(chains)
            # purely stationary GP moves
            @async chain.misfit = remotecall_fetch(do_mcmc_step, chain.pid,
                m, opt, stat,
                current_misfit, F,
                chain.T, isample, wp, chain_idx, chain.master_pid)
        end
        t, tlong, doquit = disptime(isample, t, tlong, iterlast, nsamples, nominaltime)
        doquit && break
    end
end
```

One-sided parallelism – no need to do something different depending on MPI rank

# Scale up your prototype, *within* Julia

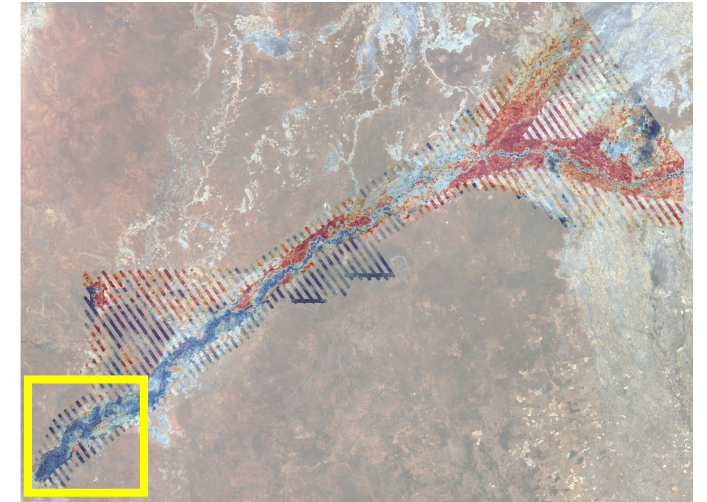
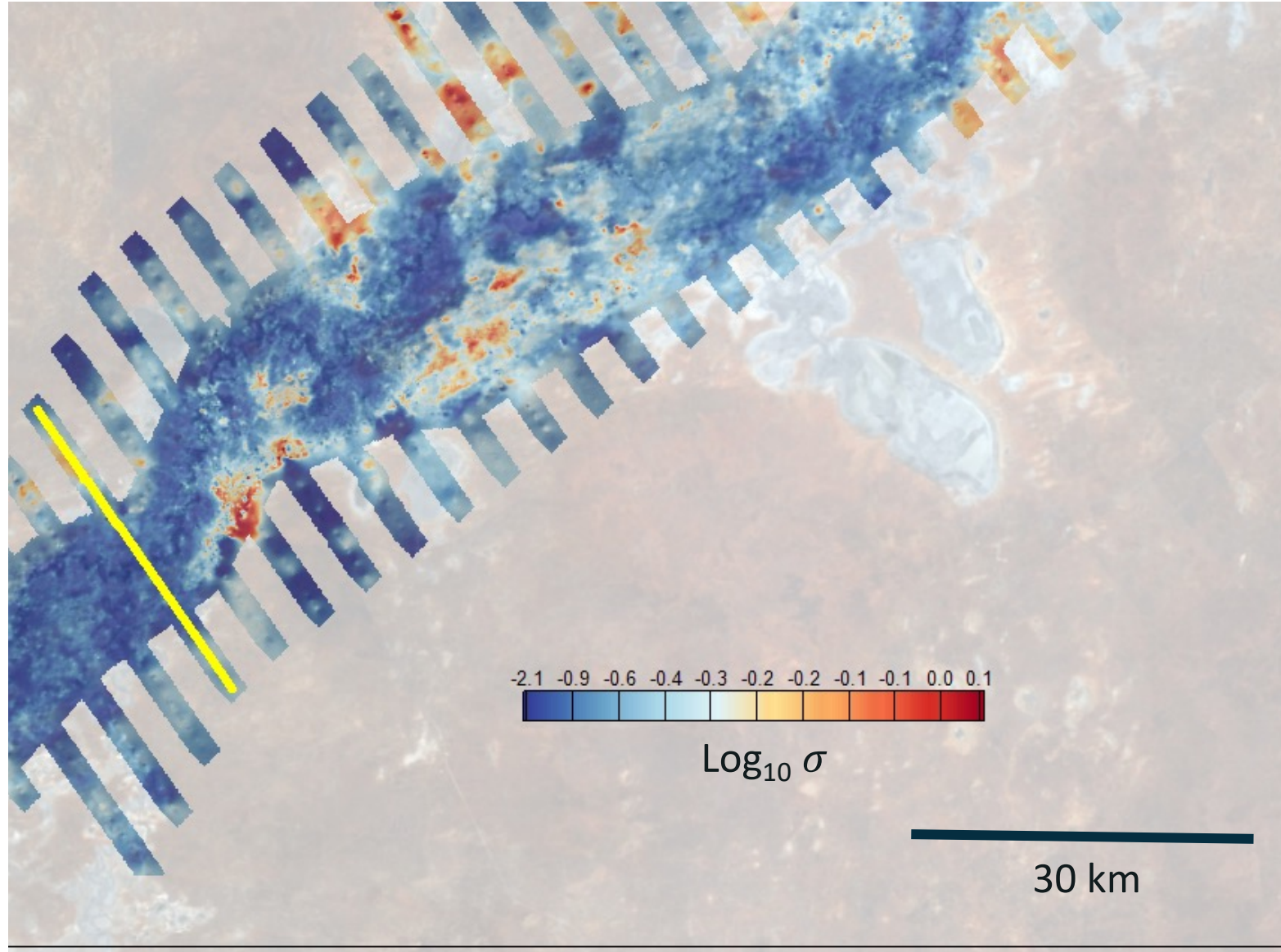


25,000 line-km of  
AEM data,  
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Planning  
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# Zooming in



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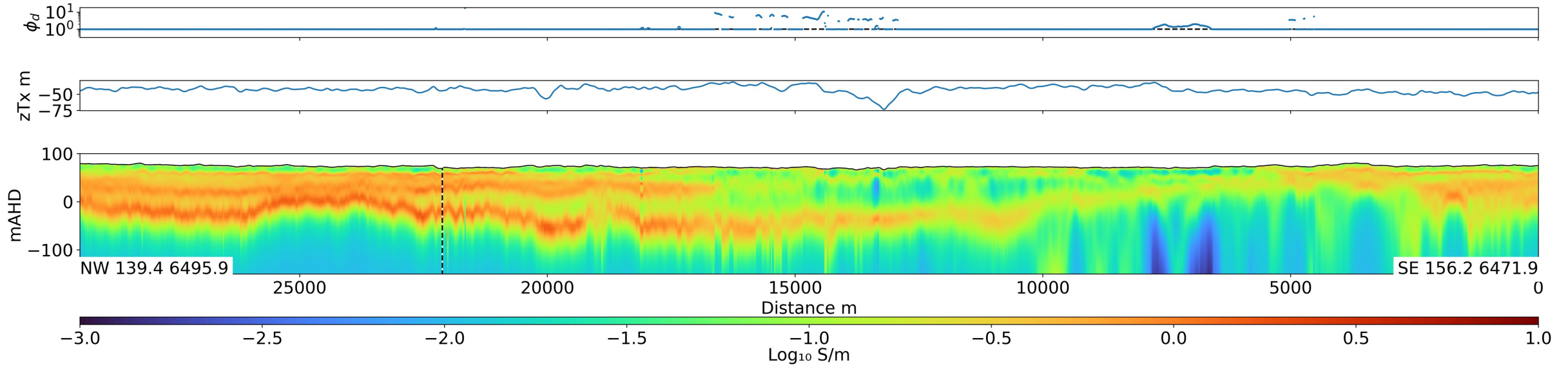


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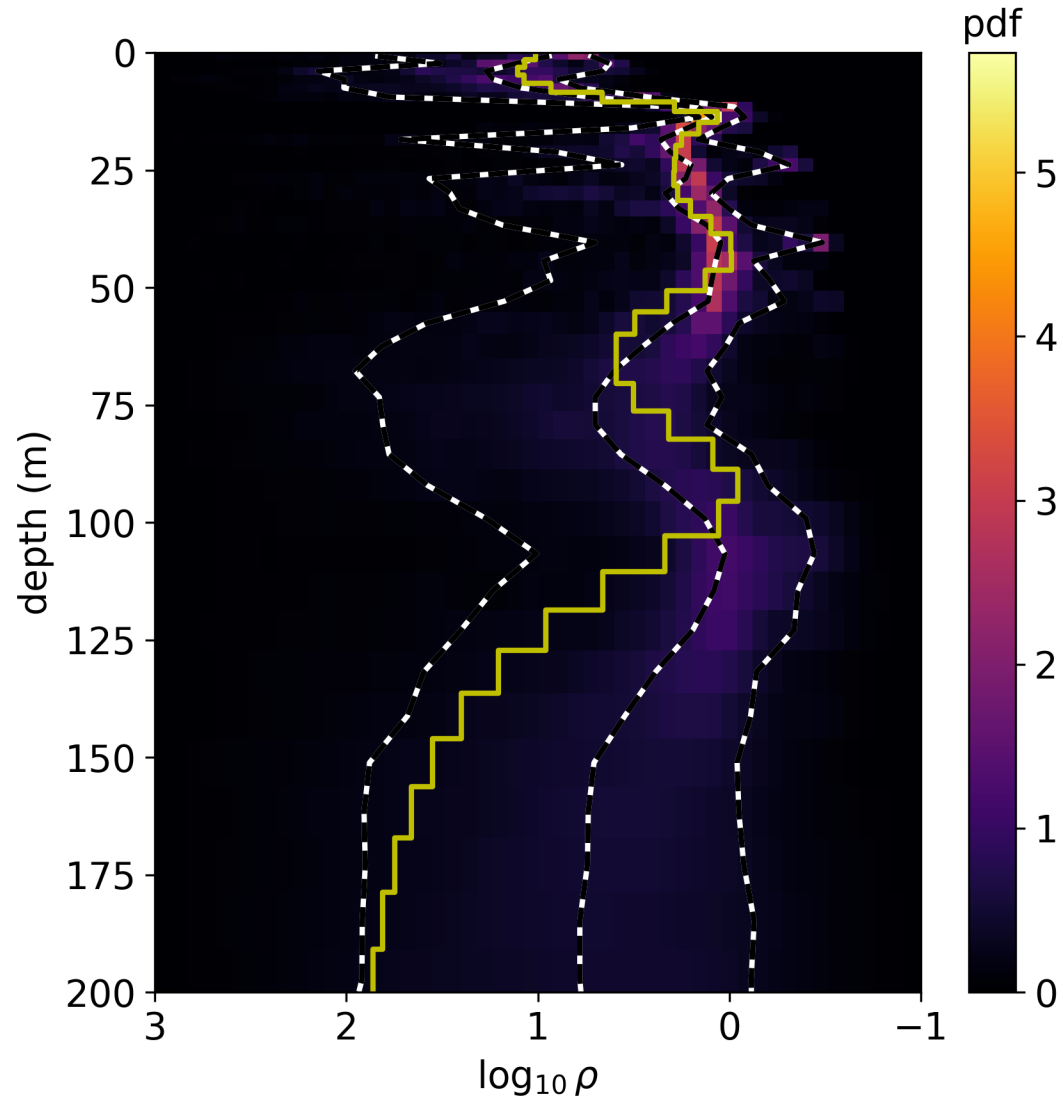


# Beautiful, layered earth

Line\_100401  $\beta^2_{0.1}$  R1\_bg\_0.01Spm  $\Delta x=5$  m, Fids: 1994  $\phi_{d_{0-1.1}}$  : 89  $\phi_{d_{1.1-2}}$  : 5  $\phi_{d_{2-\infty}}$  : 6, VE=10X



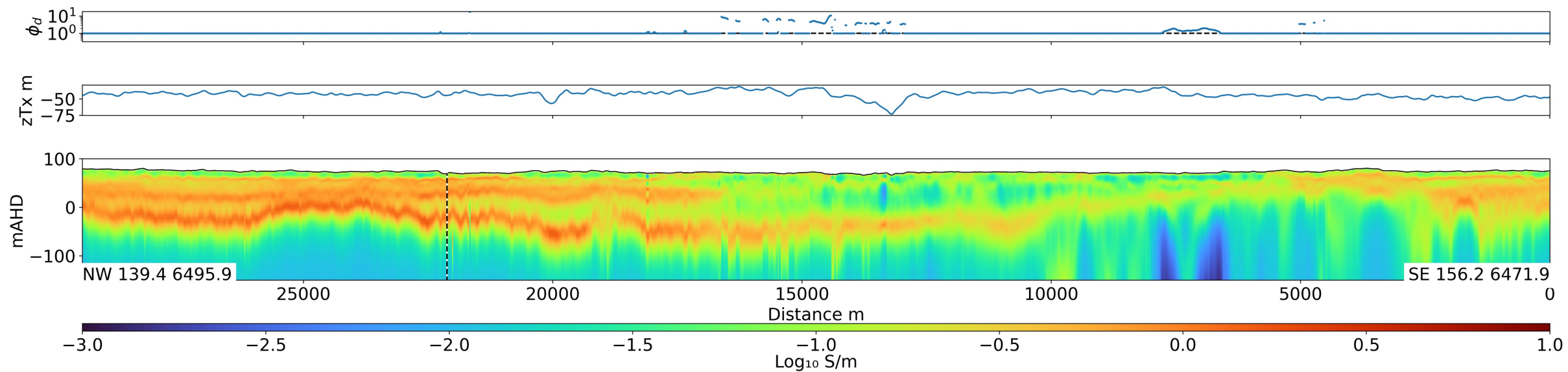
# Inspect probabilities around one sounding



Remember, the Occam model is an *extremal* model! There are other models in high probability regions (in chicken neck CIs)

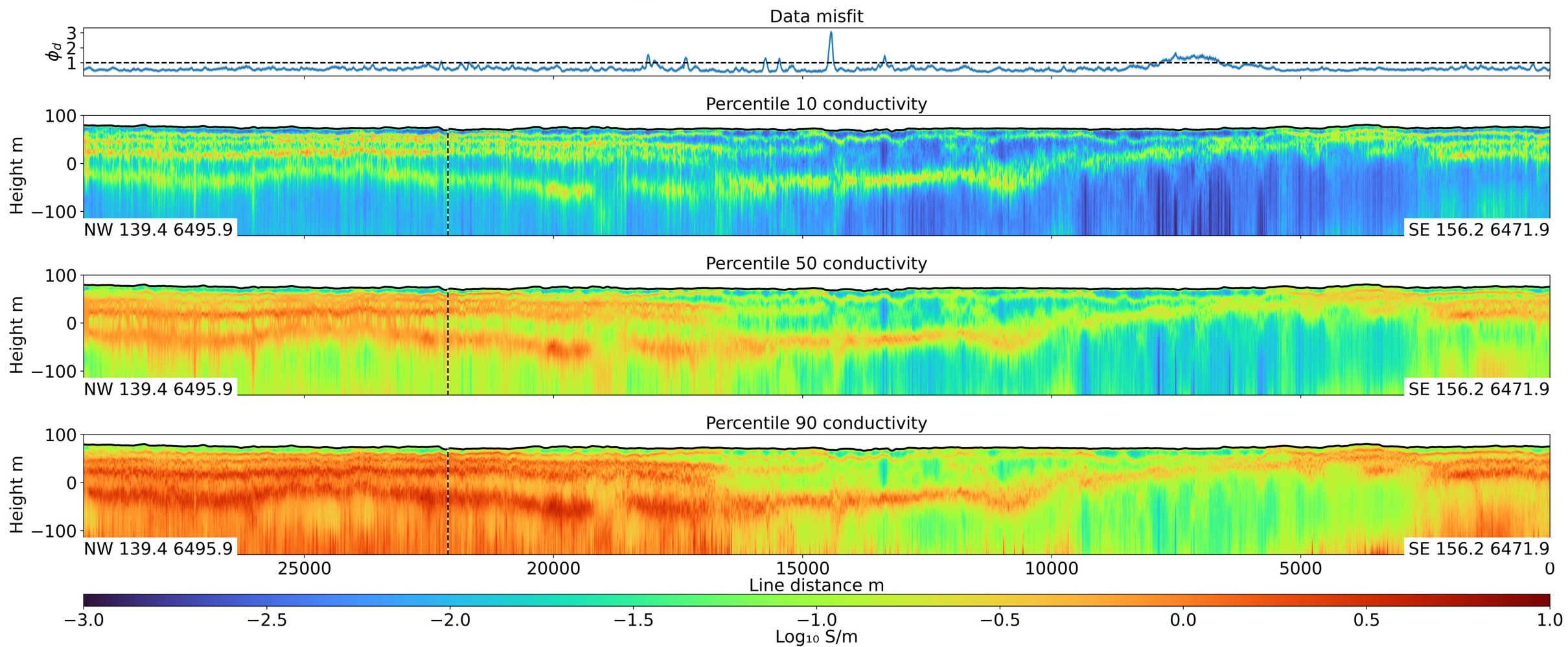
# Back to the deterministic section

Line\_100401  $\beta^2_{0.1}$  R1\_bg\_0.01Spm  $\Delta x=5$  m, Fids: 1994  $\phi_{d_{0-1.1}}$  : 89  $\phi_{d_{1.1-2}}$  : 5  $\phi_{d_{2-\infty}}$  : 6, VE=10X



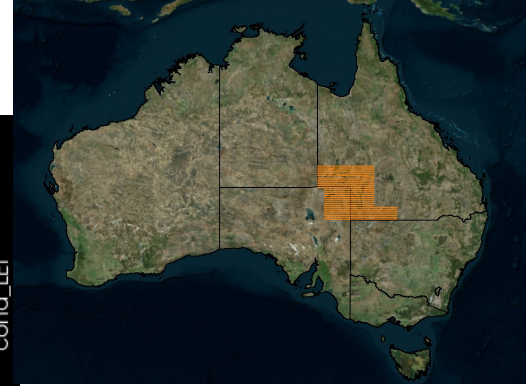
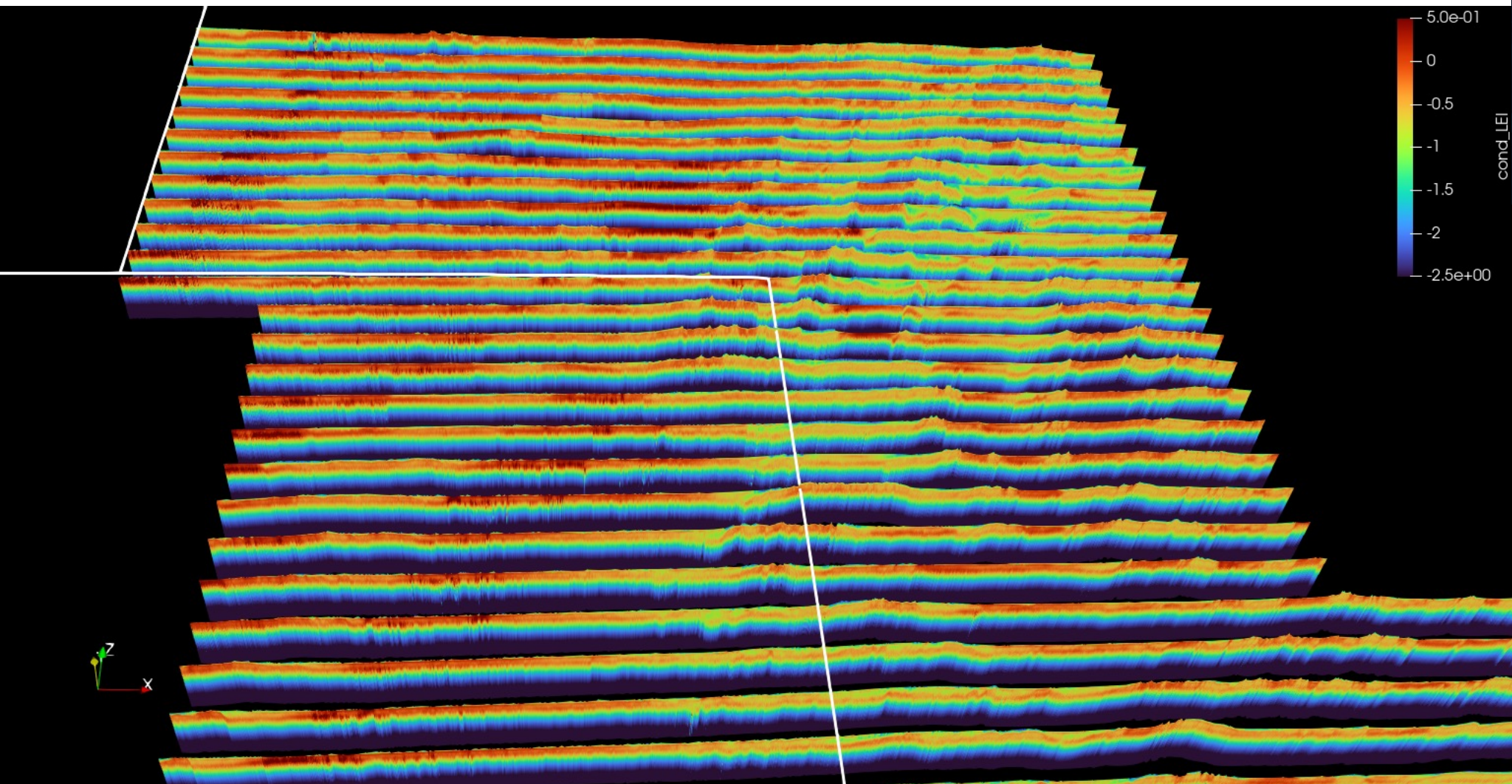
# Compare: P10, median and P90 section displays

Line\_100401  $\Delta x=5.0$  m, Fids: 1994, 1 of 1, VE=10X



Far more interpretable information in percentiles

# Go big: GA-LEI Occam inversions for AusAEM

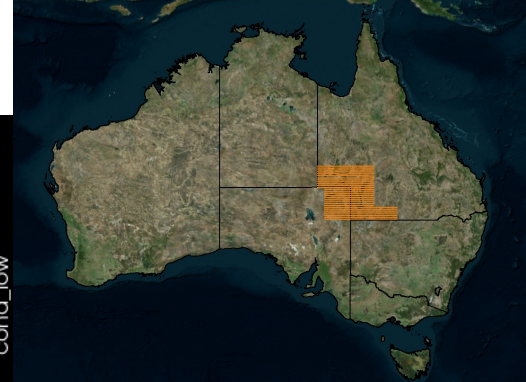
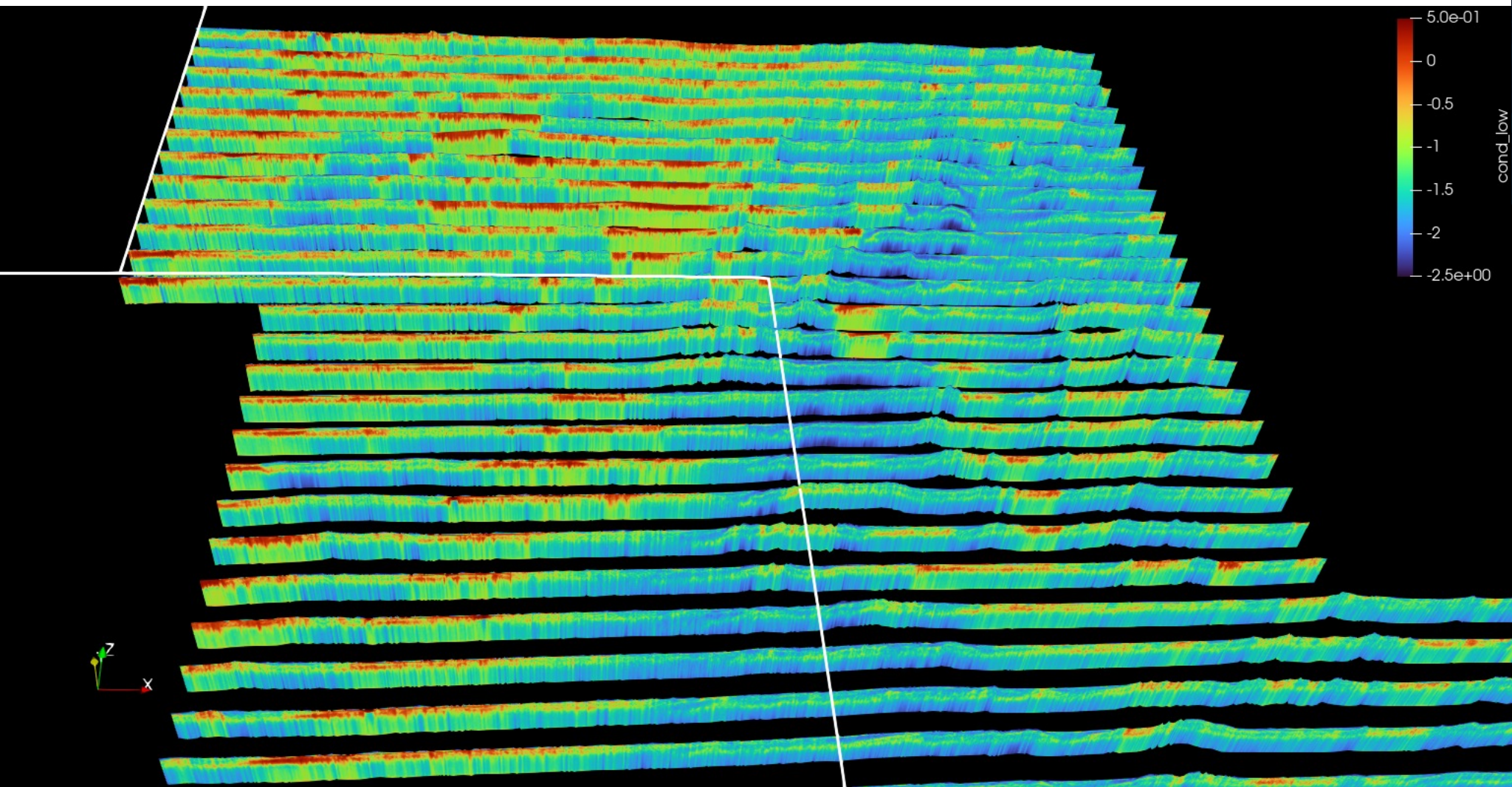


Deterministic inversion goes back to reference model at depth

40X Vert. Exagg.  
Max depth ~350 m

20 km spaced continental scale AEM data <https://dx.doi.org/10.26186/145744>  
Lines are approx. **500 km** long

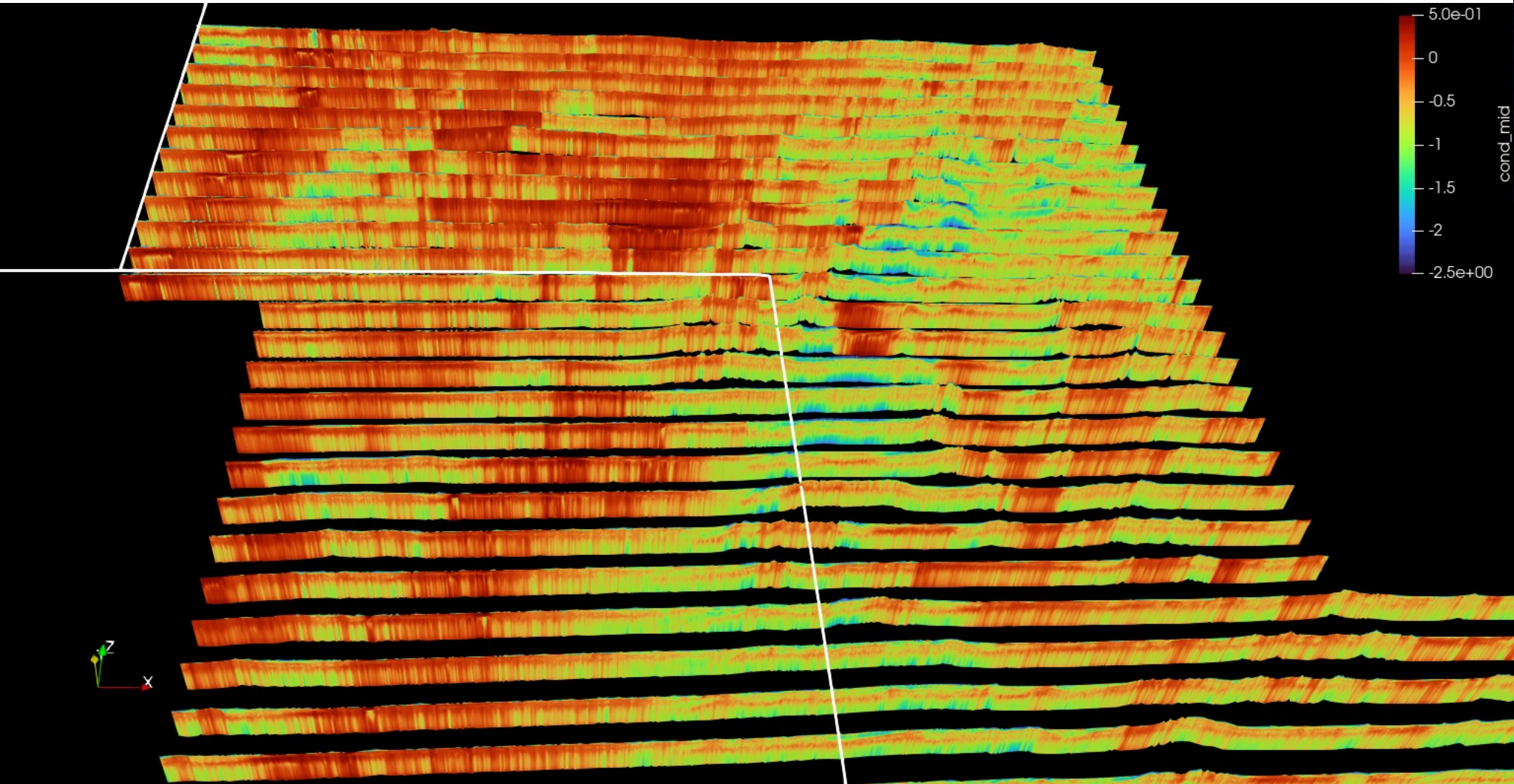
# Go big: Compare P10 section



40X Vert. Exagg.  
Max depth ~350 m

High probability *conductors* stand out

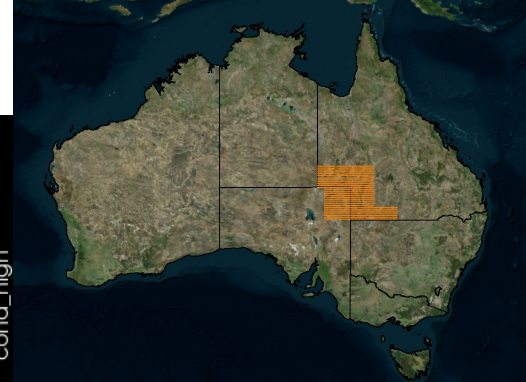
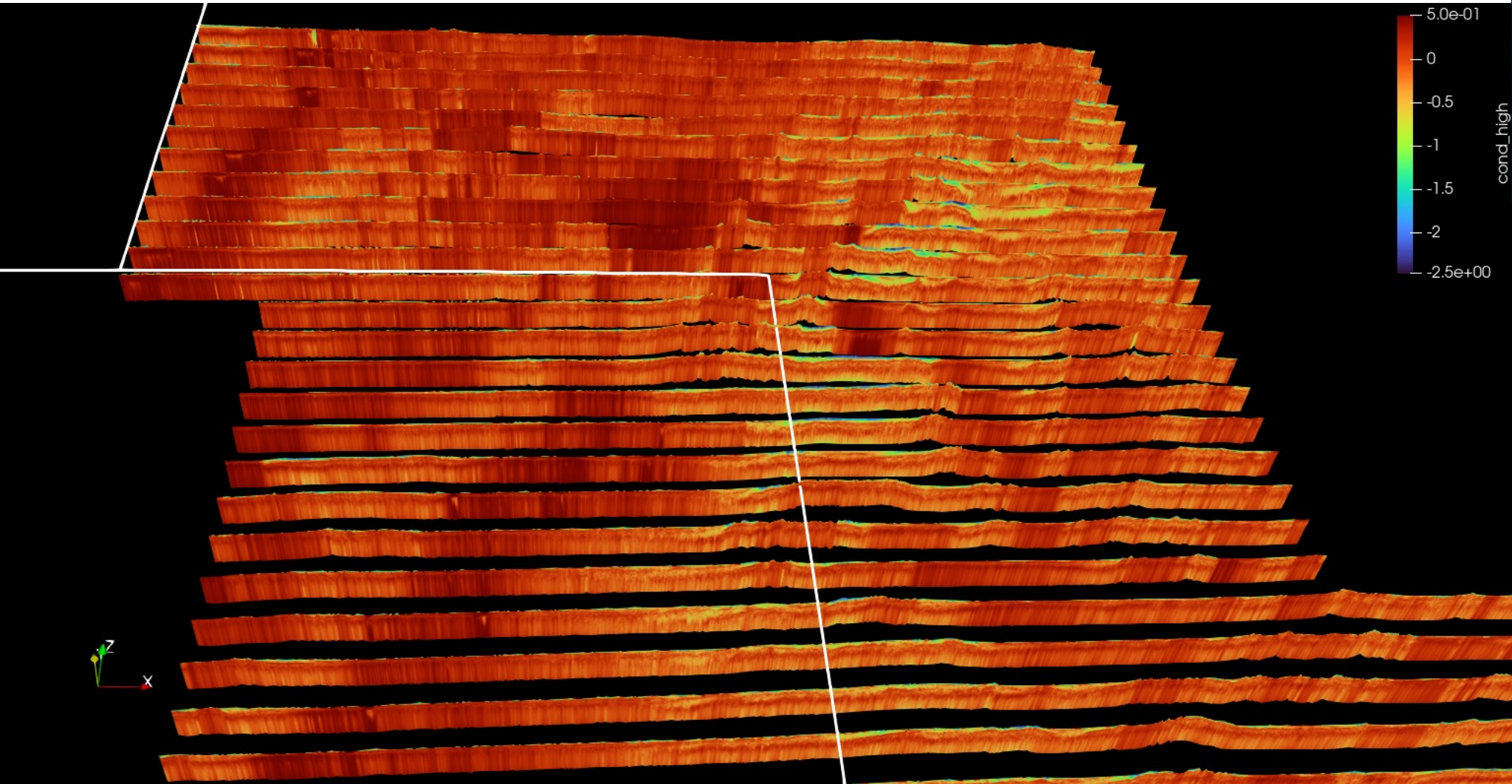
# Go big: Compare median section



40X Vert. Exagg.  
Max depth ~350 m

Median features

# Go big: Compare P90 section

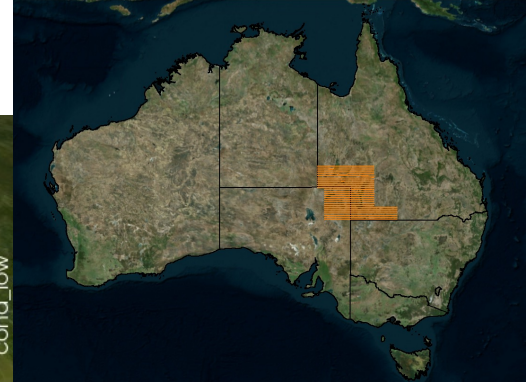
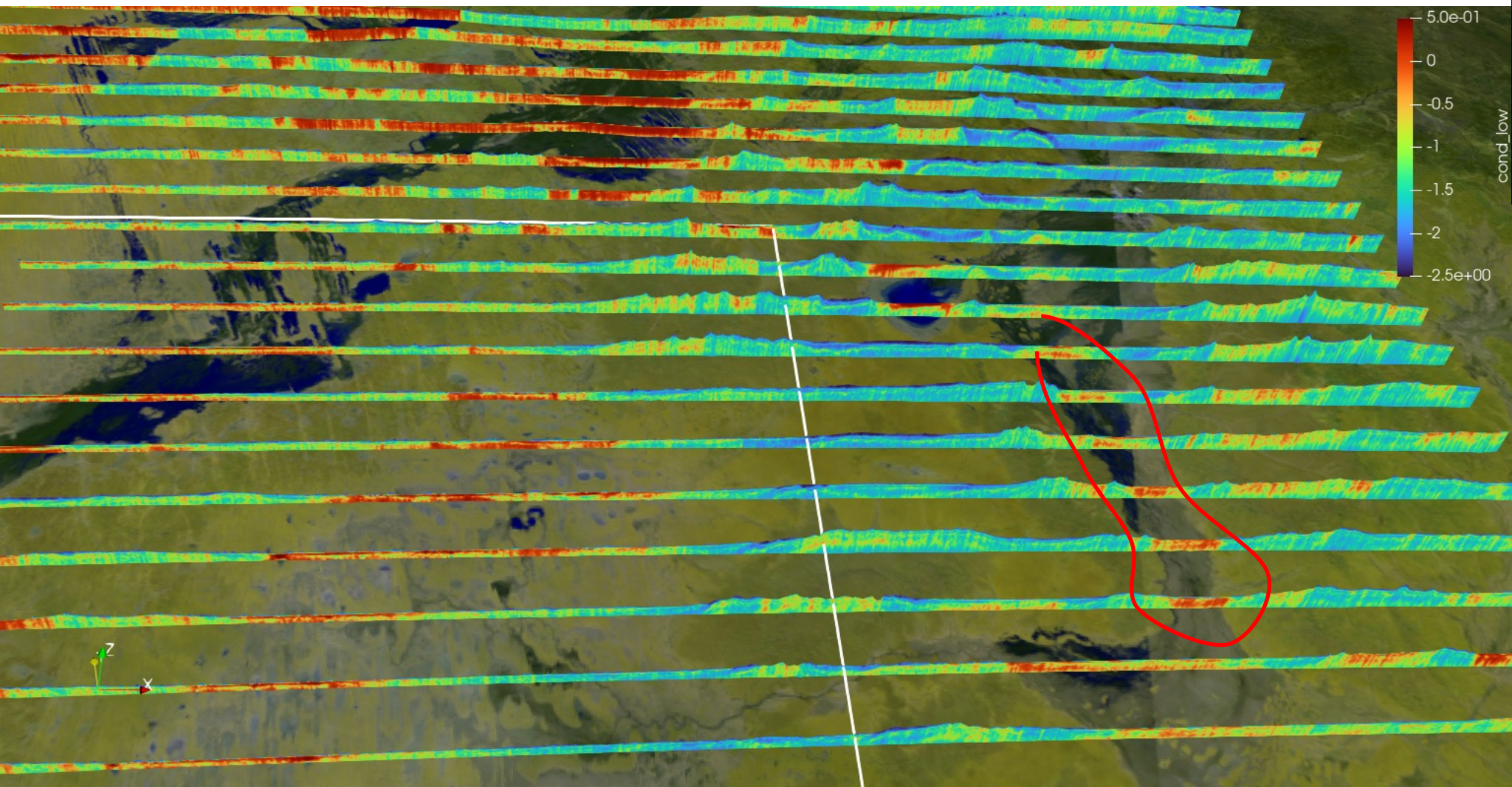


40X Vert. Exagg.  
Max depth ~350 m

High probability *resistors* stand out



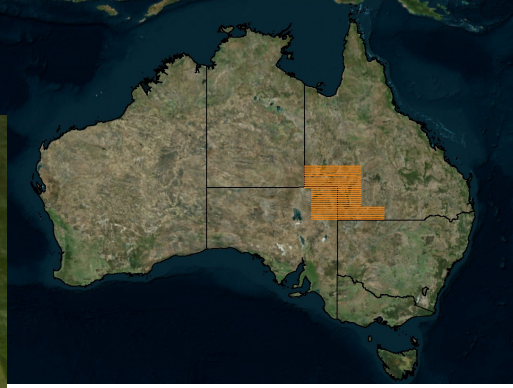
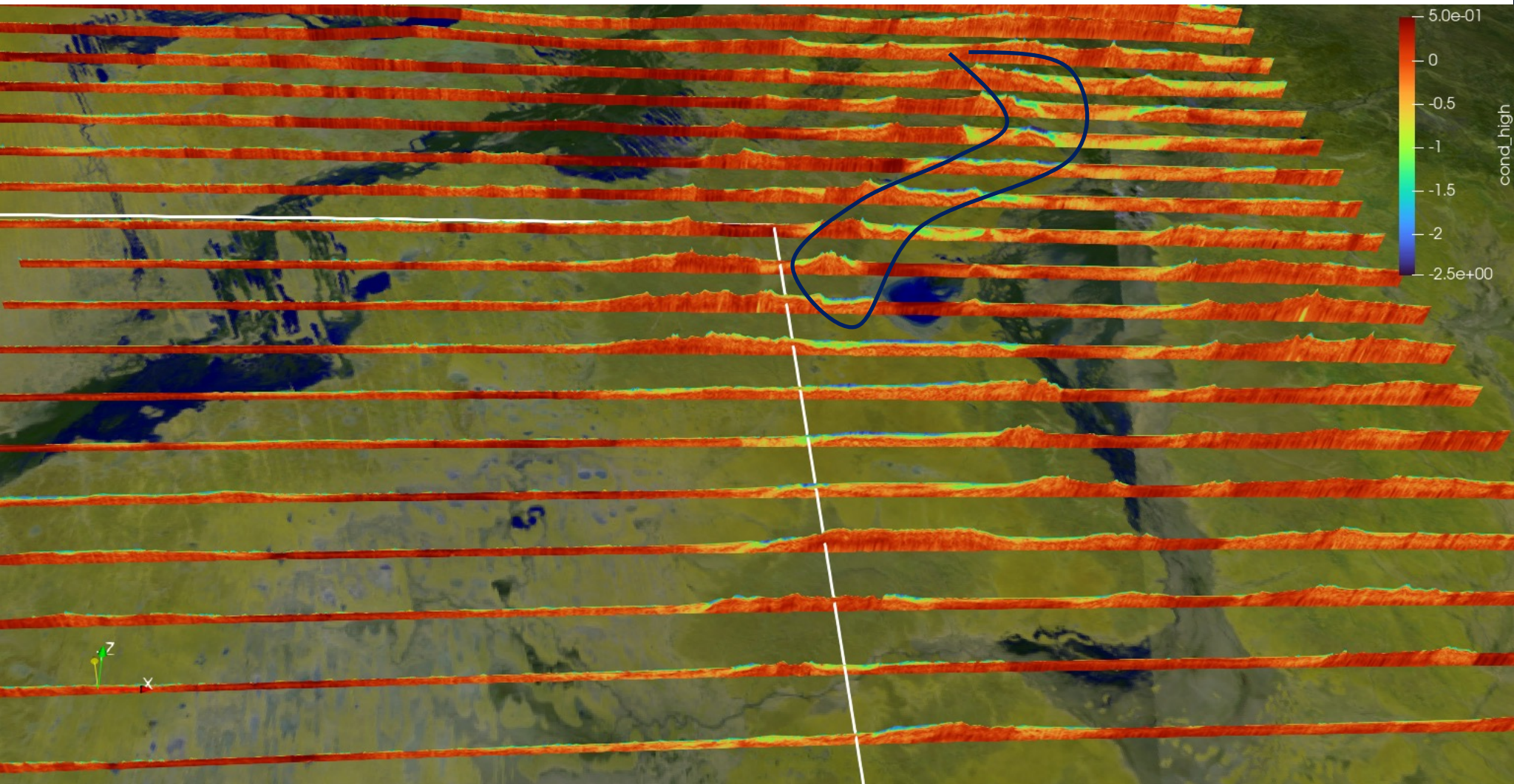
# P10 section: Conductors line up to show saline groundwater



Landsat imagery in the background

Reds: 90% probability mass at *conducting* end

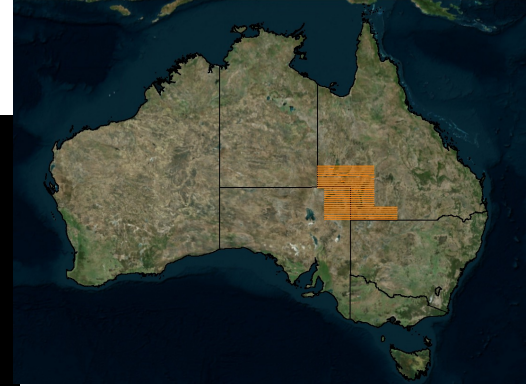
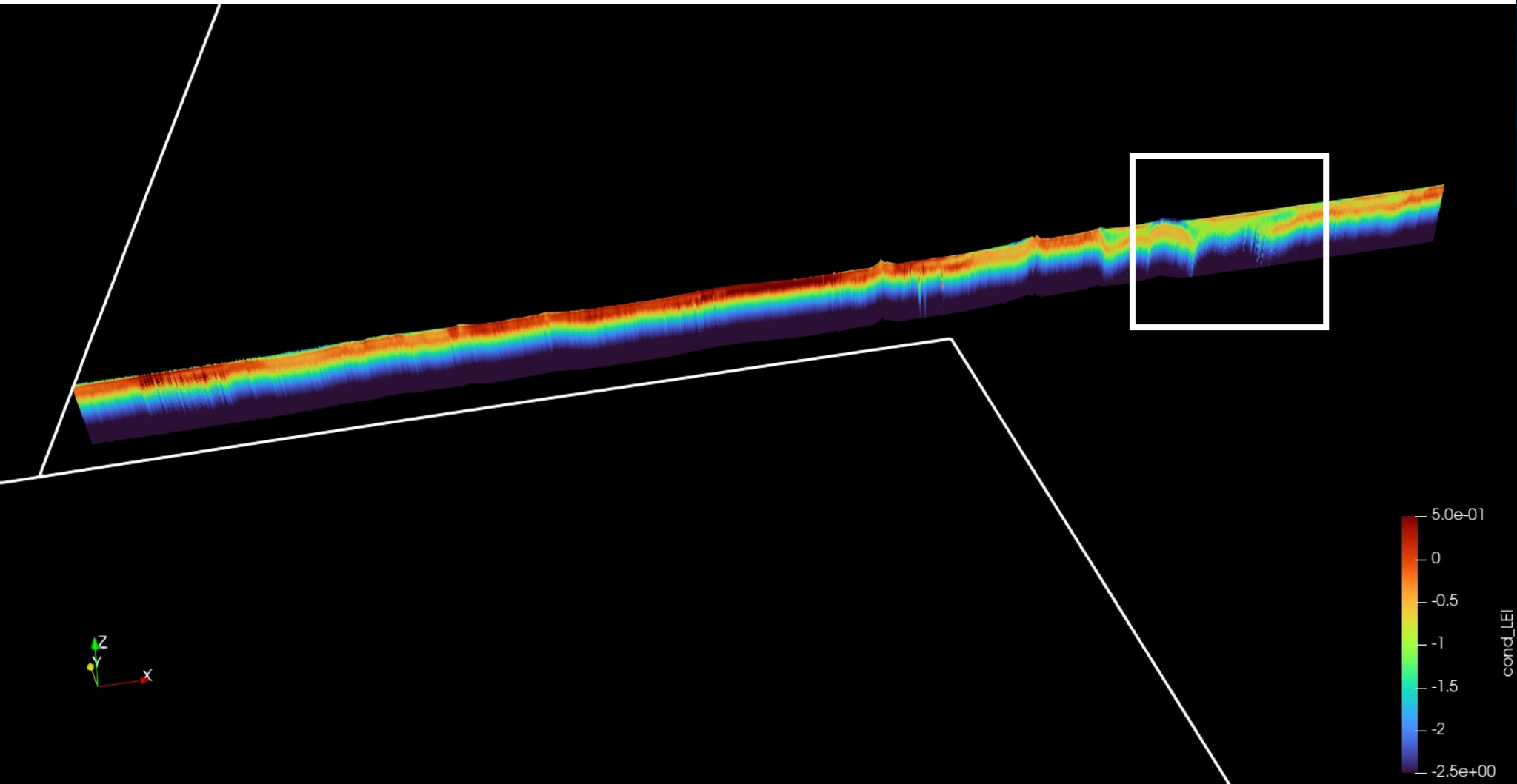
# P90 section: Resistors line up near freshwater zones



Landsat imagery  
in the background

Blues: 90% probability mass at *resistive* end

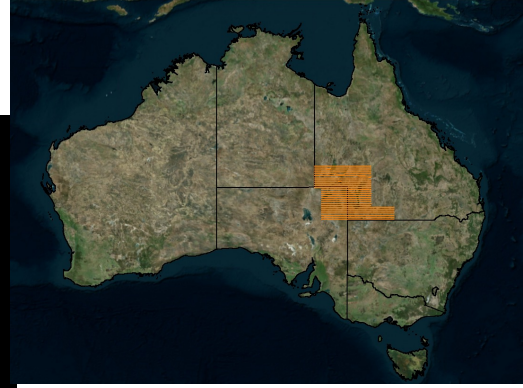
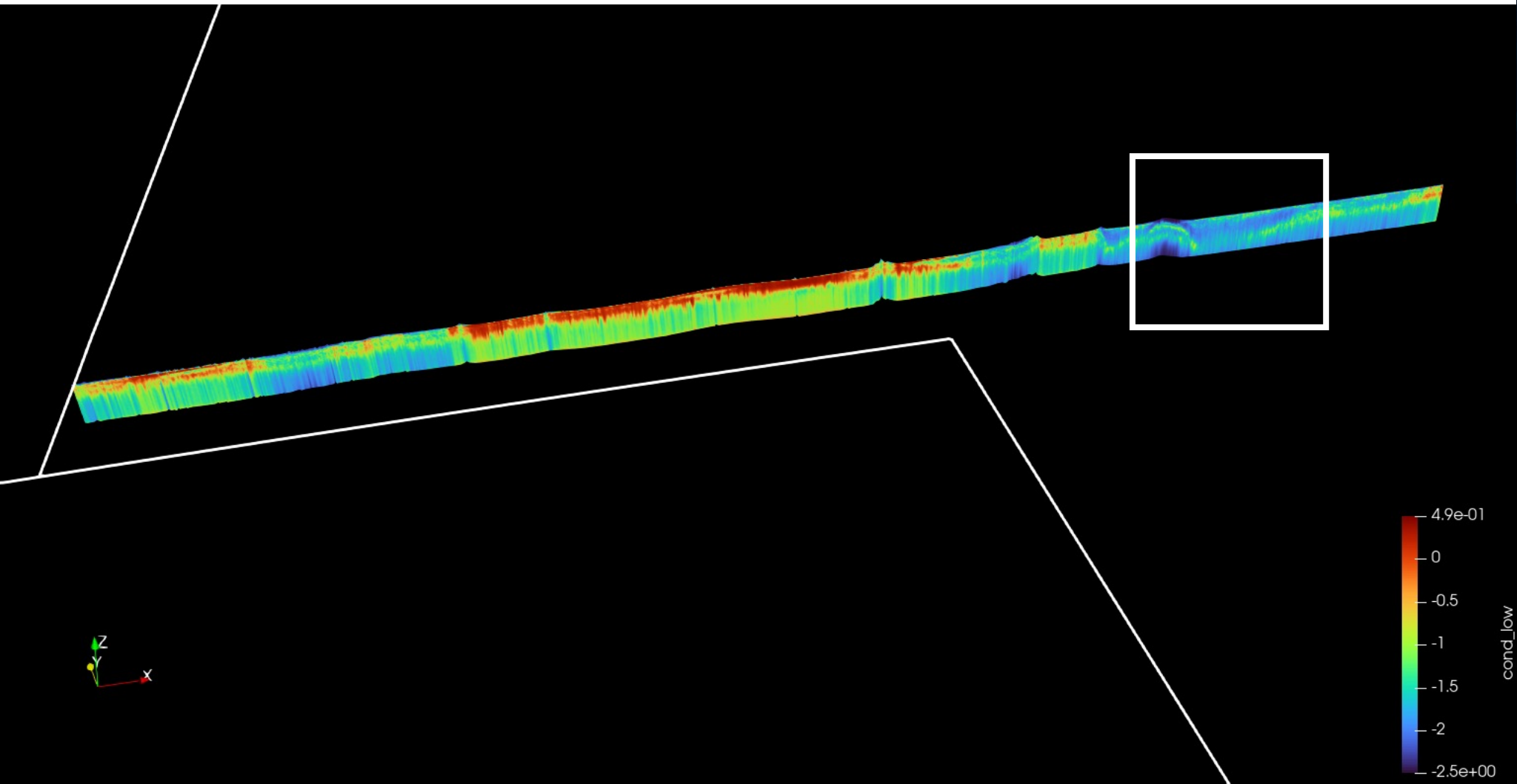
# Identify ambiguous structure: GA-LEI (Occam)



Deterministic inversion goes back to reference model at depth

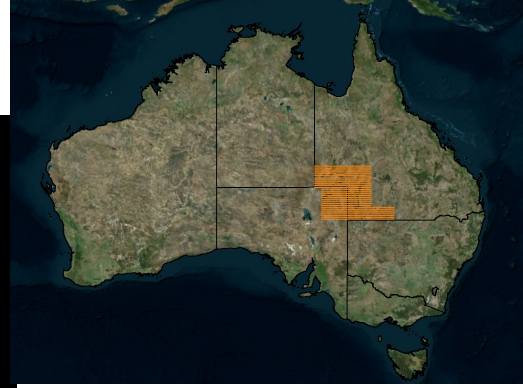
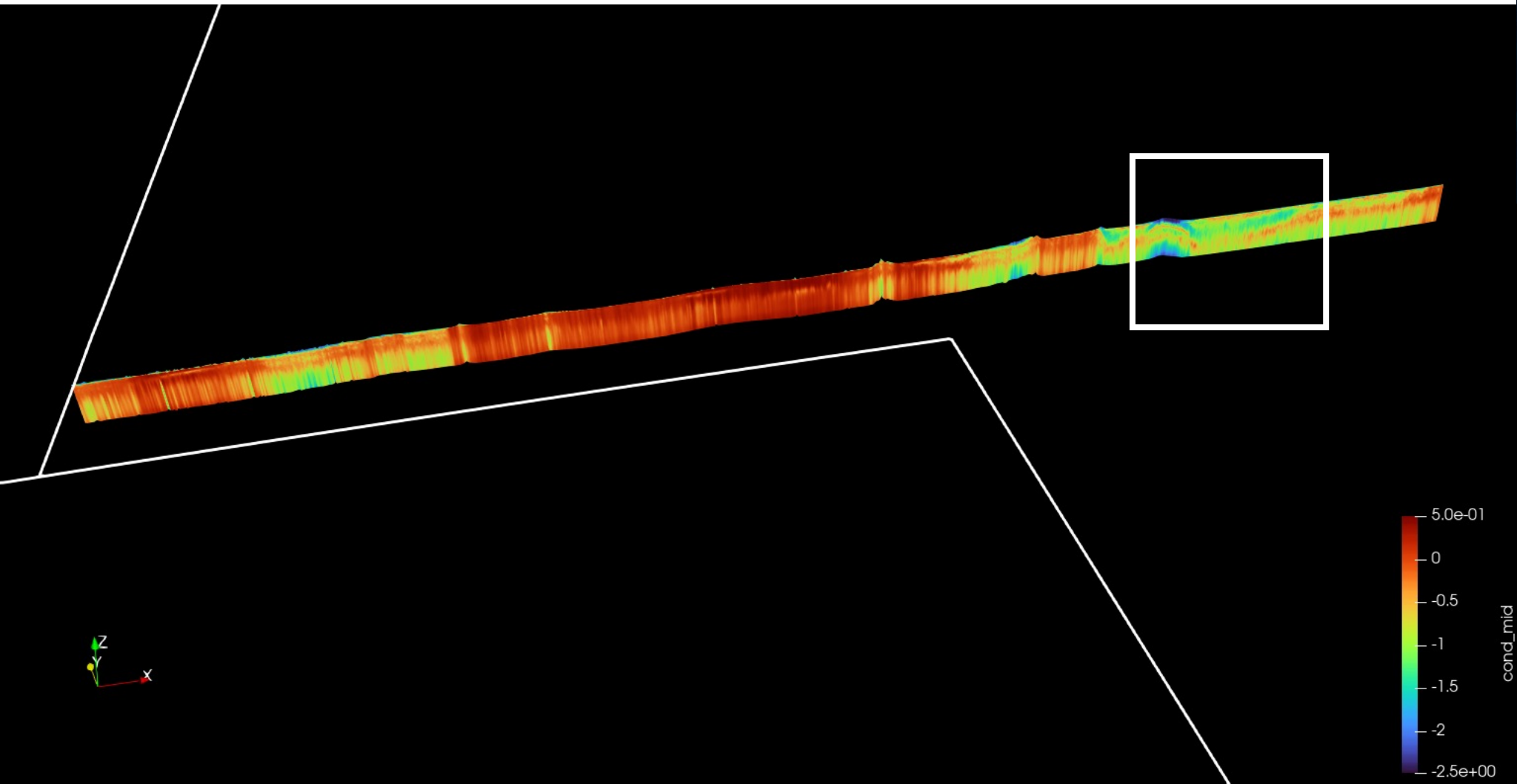
2 incised palaeovalleys?

# Identify ambiguous structure: P10 section



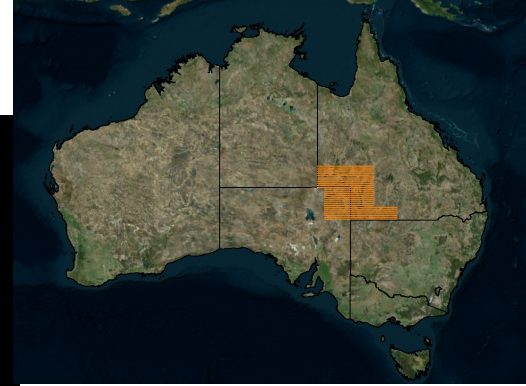
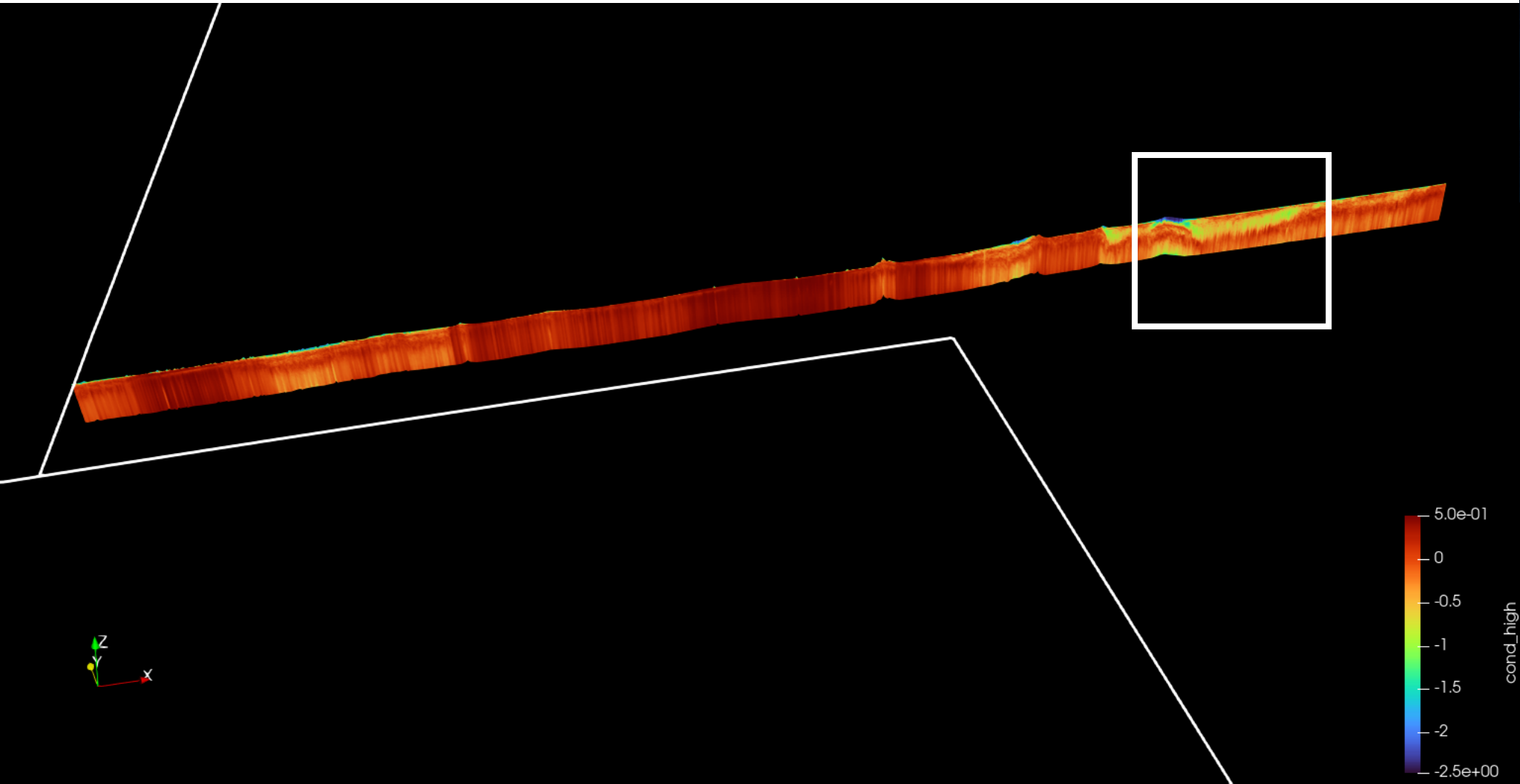
Maybe not

# Identify ambiguous structure: median section



Looking more like not

# Identify ambiguous structure: P90 section



HPC requirements  
for one line (500 km)  
with 1039 soundings

- 8320 cpus
- 04:30:00 hours

5 lines inverted  
simultaneously with  
McMC: 41,600 cpus

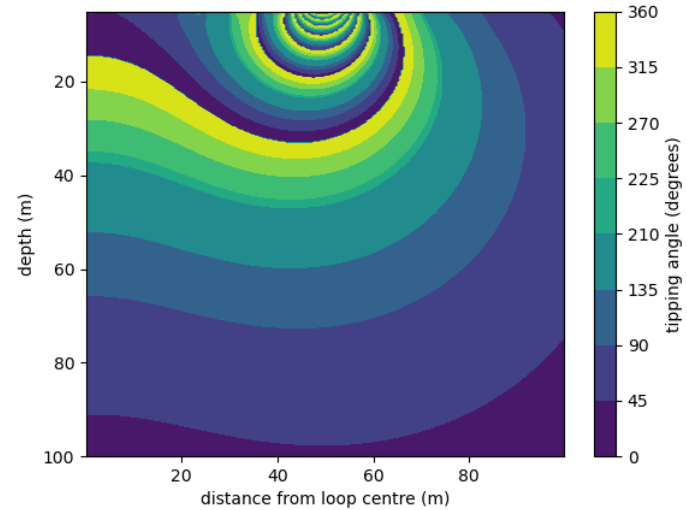
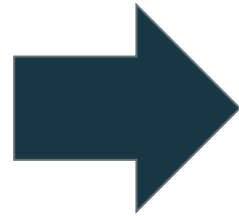
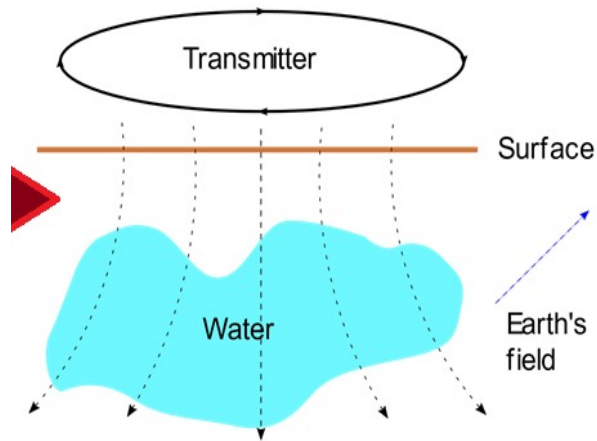
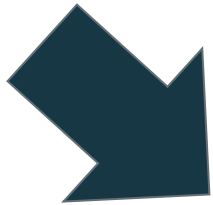
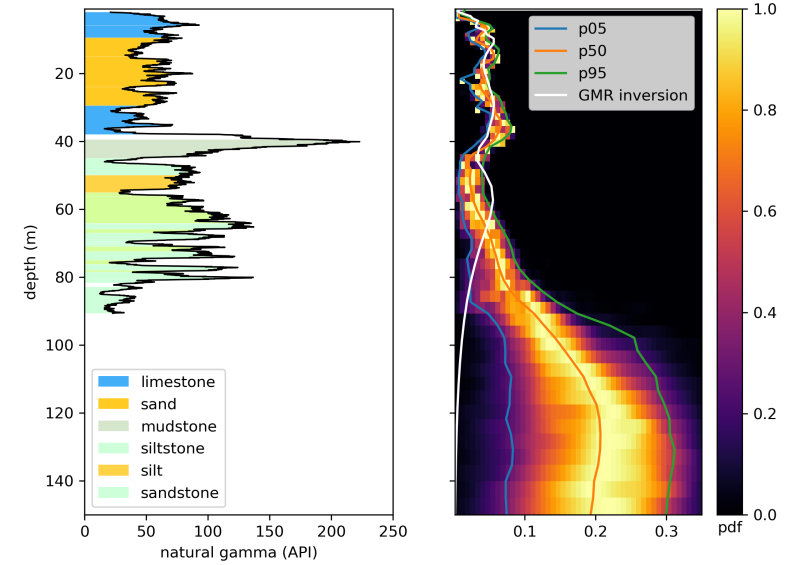
One synclinal palaeovalley!

# Different geophysics problems, same Julia interface



Surface Magnetic Resonance (SMR) imaging

```
pkg> add SMRPInversion
```

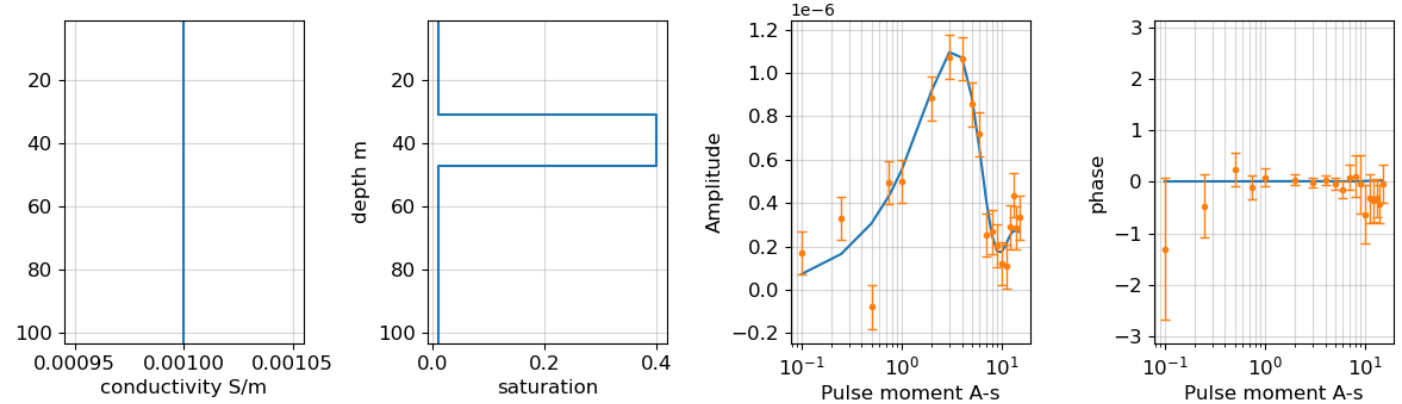


# Julia Subtypes <: Different forward problems, same MCMC interface

```

julia> typeof(sounding)
SMRPIversion.SMRsoundingKnown

julia> typeof(sounding)<:transD_GP.Operator
true
    
```



```

transD_GP.main(opt, sounding, Tmax=Tmax, nsamples=nsamples, nchains=nchains, nchainsatone=nchainsatone)
    
```

Different physics operator, same MCMC method

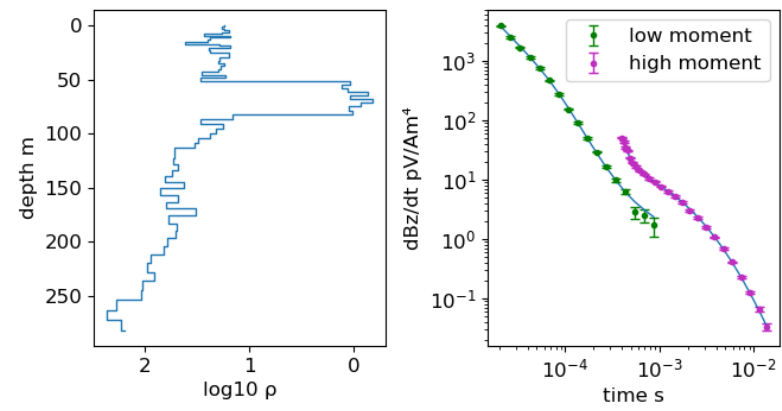
```

transD_GP.main(opt, aem, Tmax=Tmax, nsamples=nsamples, nchains=nchains, nchainsatone=nchainsatone)
    
```

```

julia> typeof(aem)
HiQGA.transD_GP.SkyTEM1DInversion.dBzdt

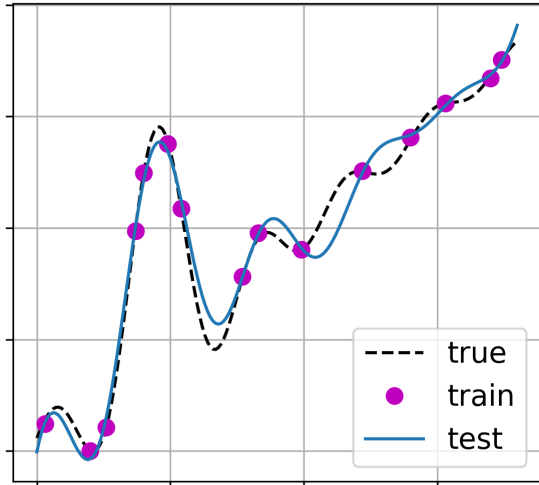
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true
    
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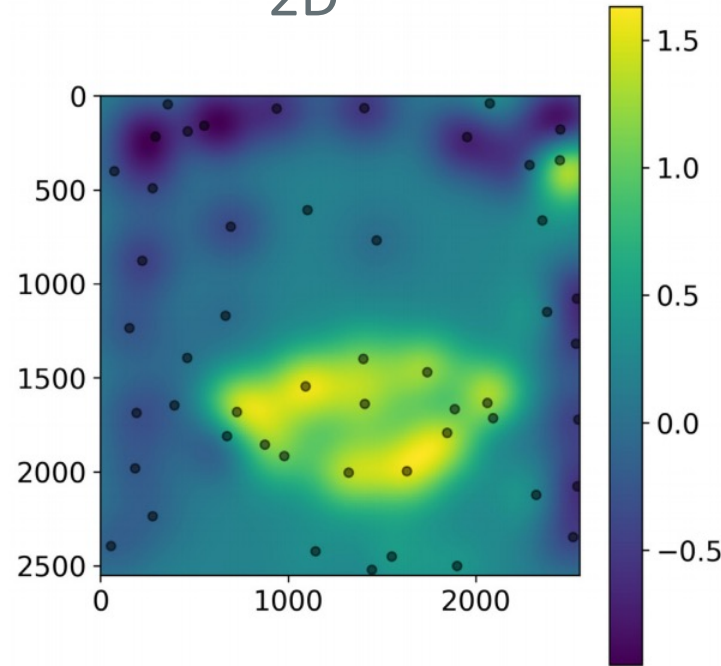


# Under the MCMC hood: Represent $n_d$ earth properties with *same* equation

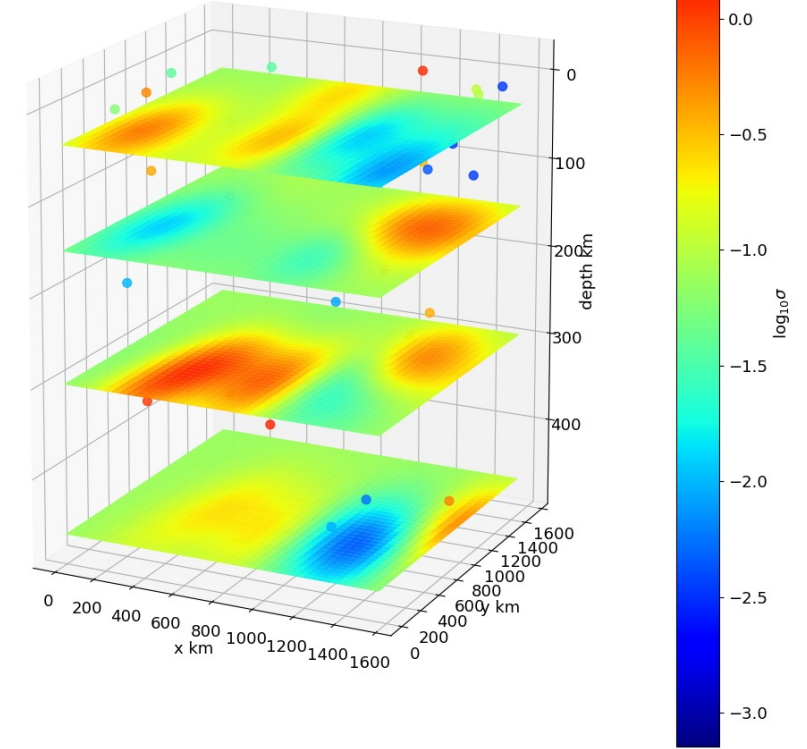
1D



2D



3D



$$\mu_* = \mathbf{K}_* \mathbf{K}_m^{-1} \mathbf{m}$$

Full model vector  
 $n \times 1$  (LARGE)

"Cross" kernel matrix  
 $n \times r$

"Self" kernel matrix  
 $r \times r$

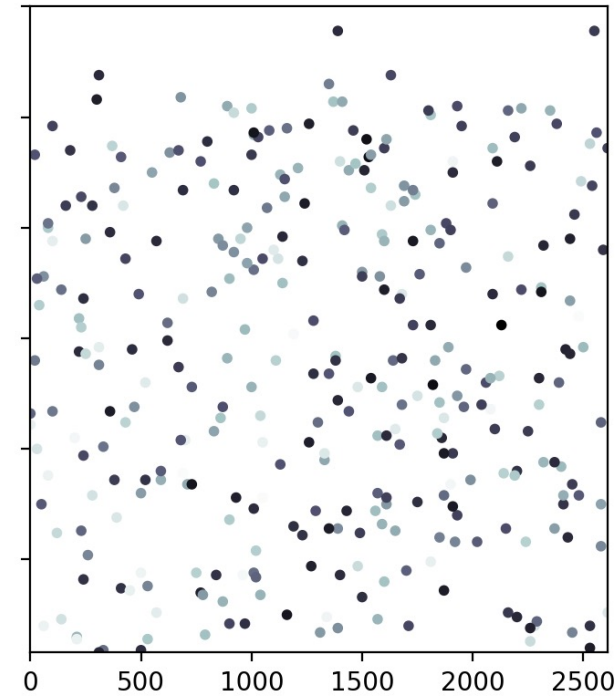
GP nuclei model vector  
 $r \times 1$  (small)

$$K(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}') = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}']^T \mathbf{C}_\lambda^{-1} [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}']\right), \text{ where } \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_d}$$

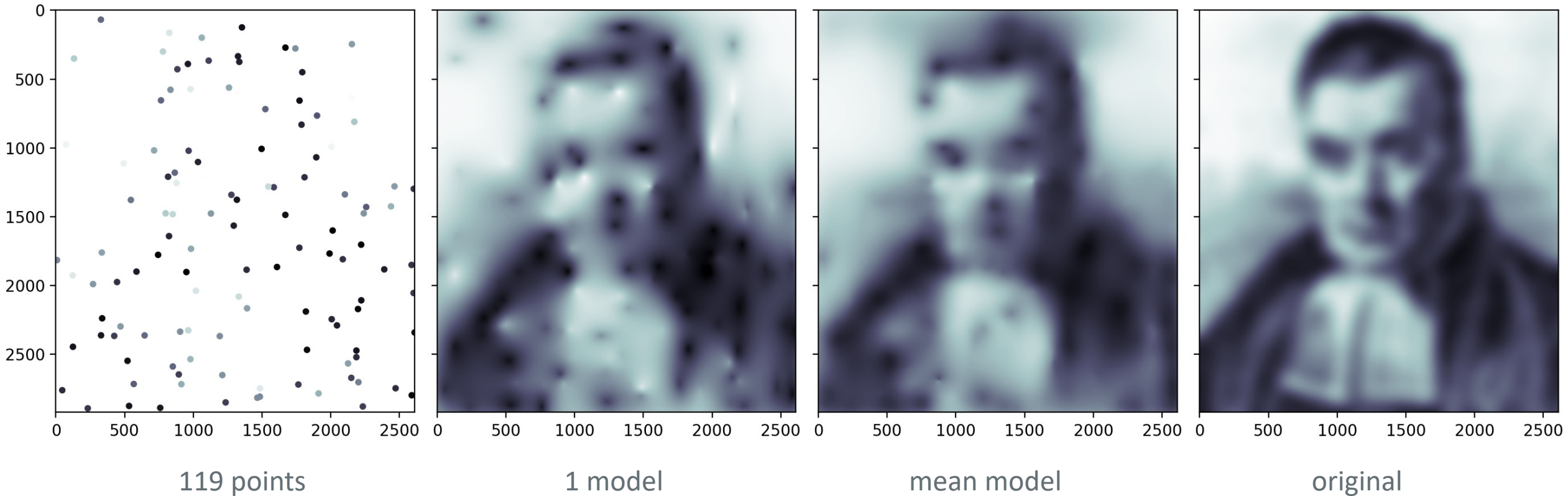
Rasmussen & Williams (2006)  
Now we can use these  $r$  points to do Bayesian Trans-D MCMC

# Regress images with McMC

I'm sure you recognize what you're looking at – these are 332 points sampled from a 293x262 image

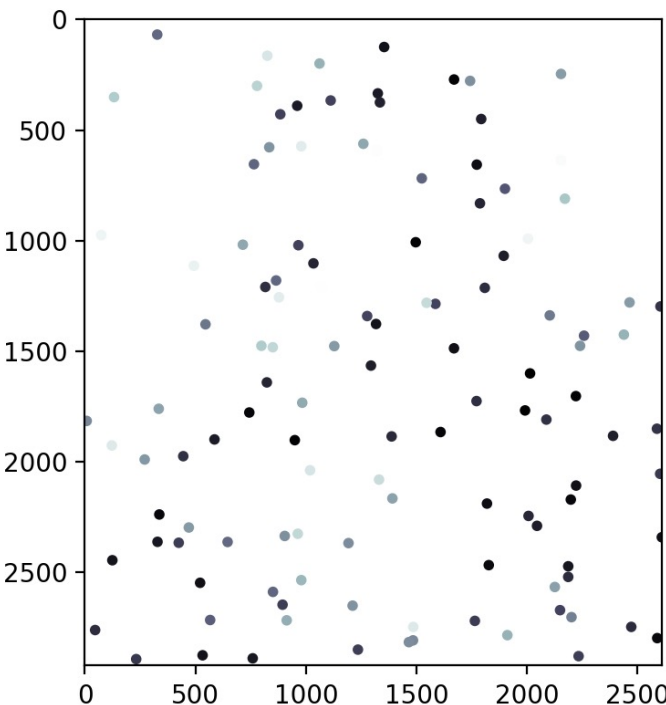


# Reconstructing an image using deep GP parameterisations (2-layer)

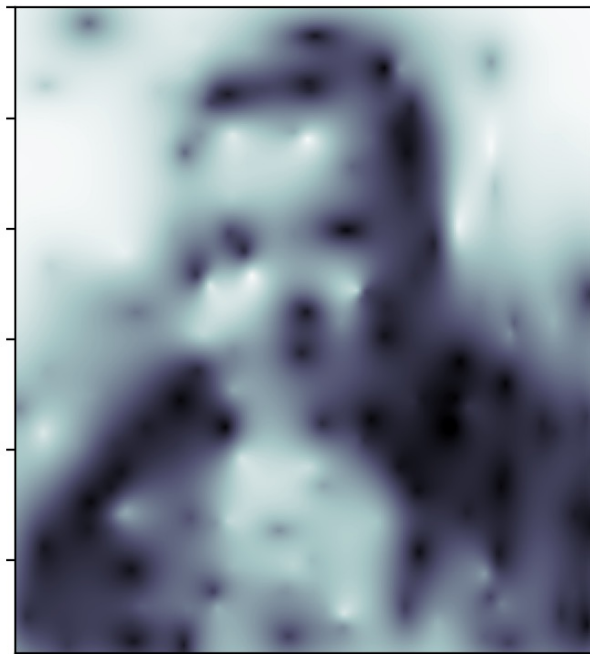


[HiQGA.jl / examples / 2D / image\\_revBayes /](https://github.com/HiQGA/jl/tree/main/examples/2D/image_revBayes)

# But we had started here ...



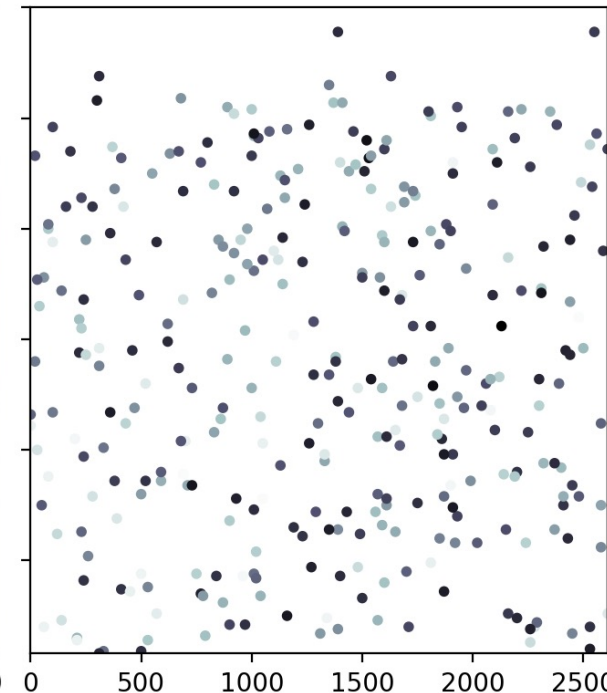
119 points



1 model



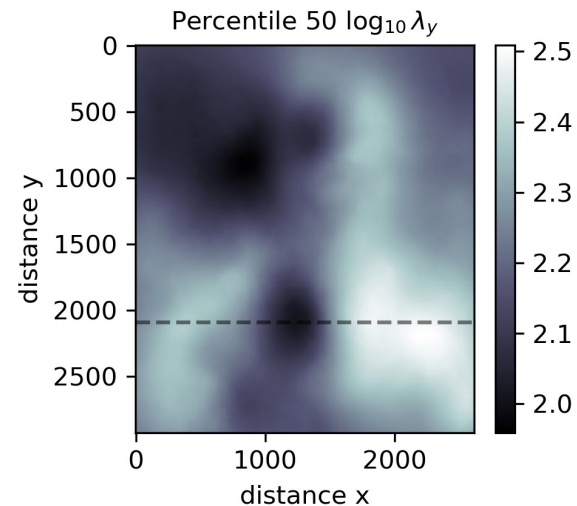
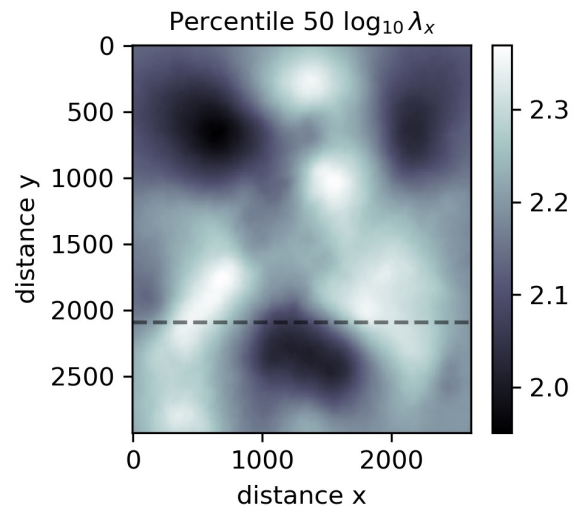
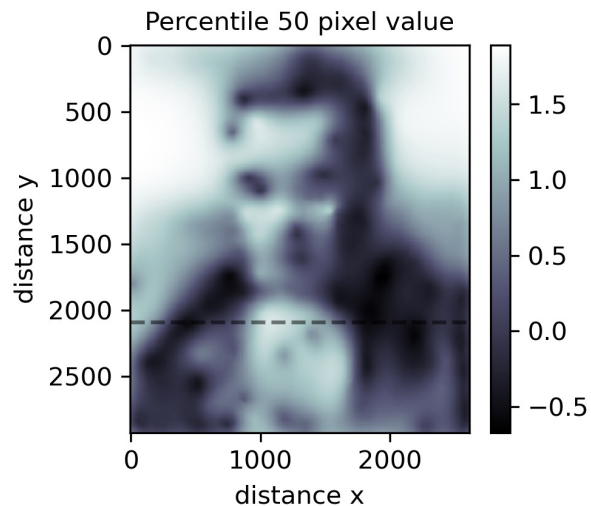
mean model



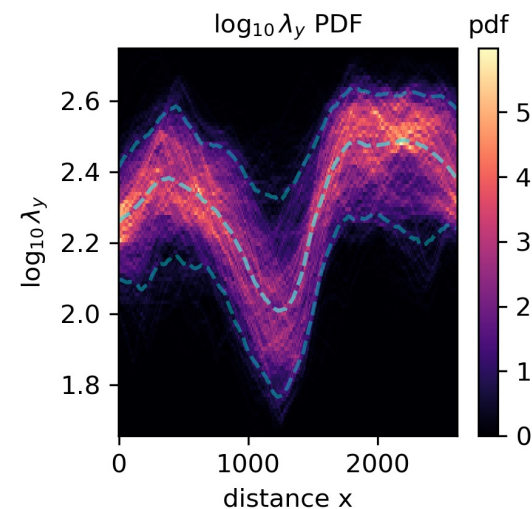
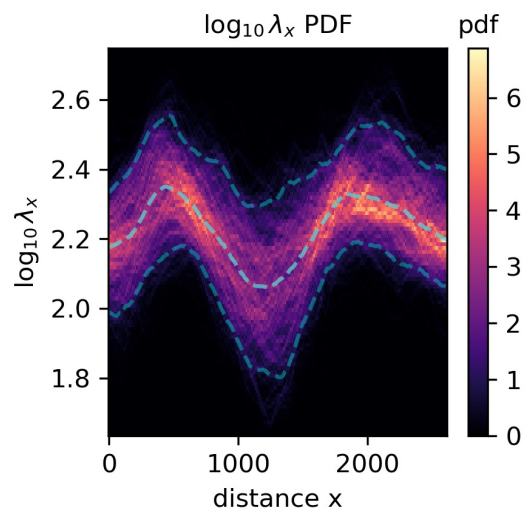
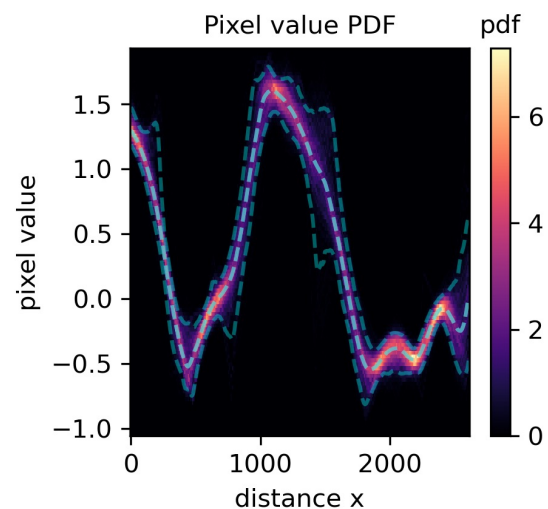
332 points  
only

[HiQGA.jl / examples / 2D / image\\_revBayes /](https://github.com/HiQGA/jl/tree/main/examples/2D/image_revBayes)

# Using a 2-layer GP



With 200-300 GP nuclei, we can represent a 293x262 image = 76,766 pixels – a compression of ~300X



Geophysical Journal International, 2019, 2021

Bayesian inversion using nested trans-dimensional Gaussian processes

Anandaroop Ray<sup>1</sup>

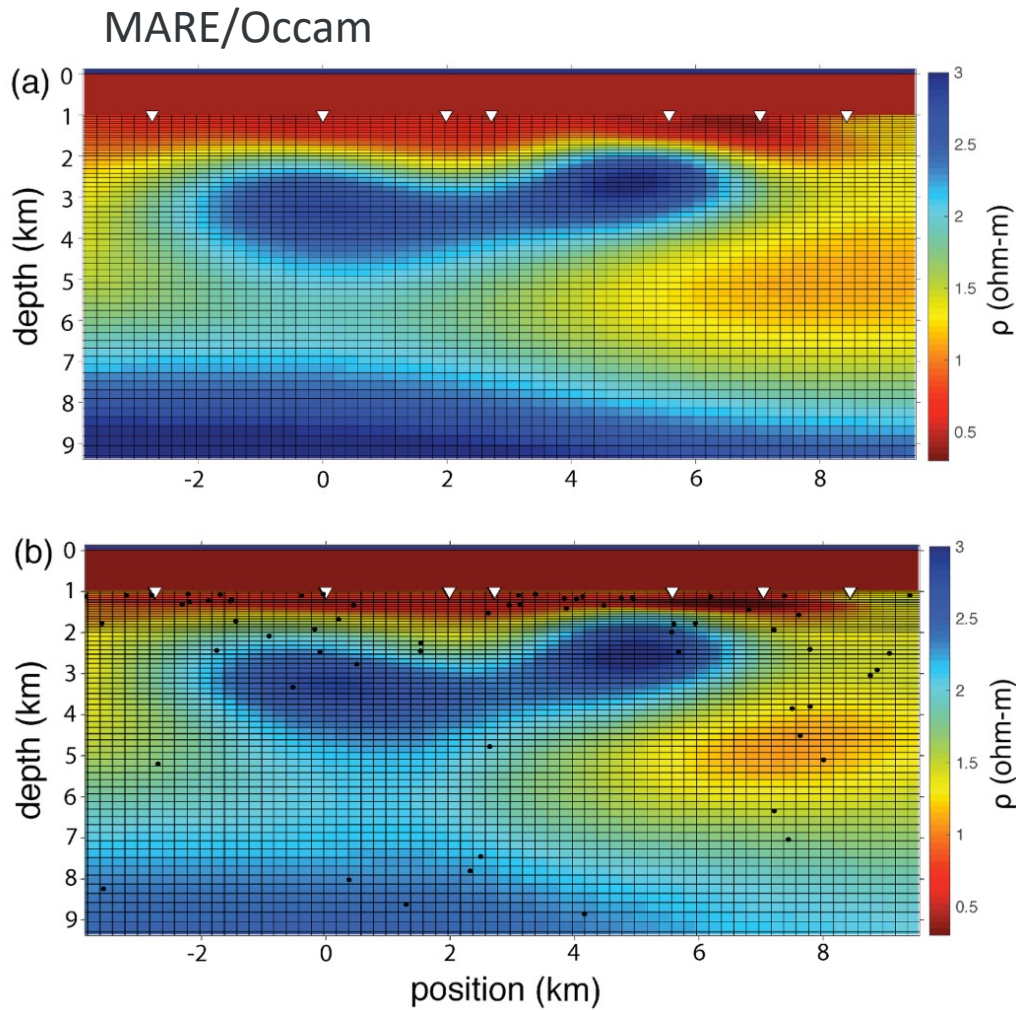
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Bayesian geophysical inversion with trans-dimensional Gaussian process machine learning

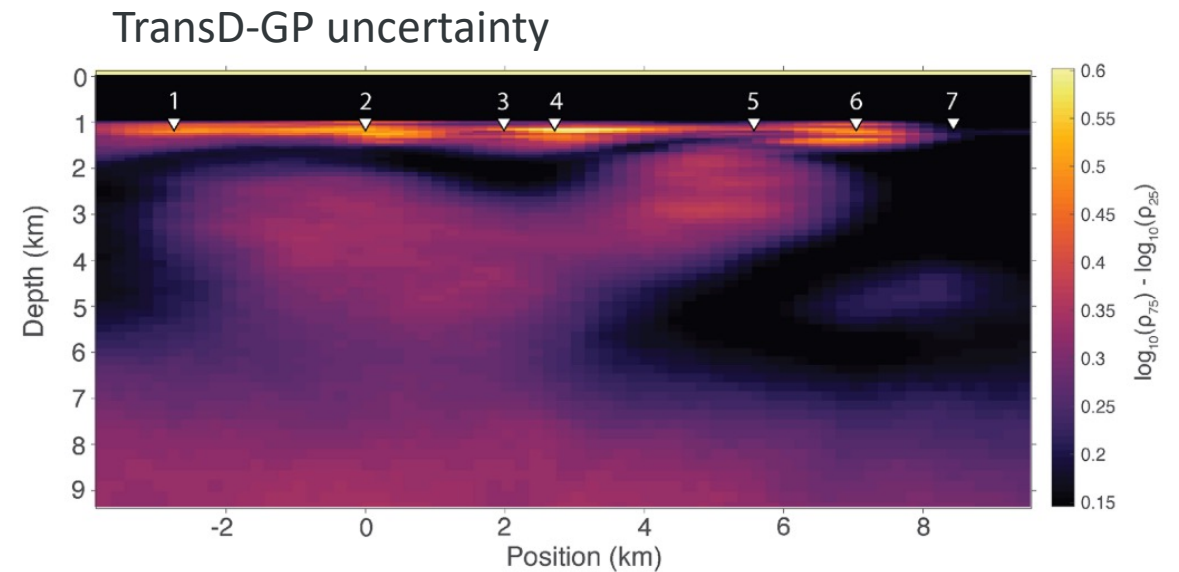
Anandaroop Ray<sup>1</sup> and David Myer<sup>2</sup>

<https://academic.oup.com/gji/article/217/3/1706/5366736>

# 2D marine MT with a 1-layer GP parameterization, 2-layer would be better!



- 168 processors, 10 days, 1\_000\_000 samples
- 0.85 s per forward
- 10 frequencies, 7 sites
- 8424 cell inversion model
- Native *Julia* on Columbia University's Habanero cluster



Geophysical Journal International, 2021

Two-dimensional Bayesian inversion of magnetotelluric data using trans-dimensional Gaussian processes

Daniel Blatter<sup>1</sup>, Anandaroop Ray<sup>2</sup> and Kerry Key<sup>1</sup>

<https://academic.oup.com/gji/article-abstract/226/1/548/6188387>

# Last and often ignored: Distribute your code

```
Project.toml
@@ -39,6 +39,7 @@ Test = "8dfed614-e22c-5e08-85e1-65c5234f0b40"
39 39 WriteVTK = "64499a7a-5c06-52f2-abe2-ccb03c286192"
40 40
41 41 [compat]
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64 66 julia = "1.7"
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2 comments on commit dabf6e0

a2ray commented on dabf6e0 4 hours ago

@JuliaRegistrator register

JuliaRegistrator commented on dabf6e0 4 hours ago

Registration pull request updated: [JuliaRegistries/General/84120](#)

After the above pull request is merged, it is recommended that a tag is created on this repository for the registered package version.

This will be done automatically if the [Julia TagBot GitHub Action](#) is installed, or can be done manually through the github interface, or via:

```
git tag -a v0.3.6 -m "<description of version>" dabf6e0da7a9ecce475b7597caa02c3af4813993
git push origin v0.3.6
```

Package management in Julia

Make your changes

Invoke the Julia Registrator bot on GitHub

Wait for the pull request to complete  
Users can then do:

```
(@v1.8) pkg> update HiQGA
```

## To conclude

- Occam inversion models have **low entropy**
- Many geophysics priors should generally **encourage low entropy**
- Bayesian posteriors encourage **rapid, probabilistic interpretation** of geology
- A general Julia **inversion framework** with these ideas are at:
  - <https://github.com/GeoscienceAustralia/HiQGA.jl>
- Julia's type hierarchy makes it easy to *dispatch* generic optimizers or samplers to the right physics type
- Julia is just in time **compiled** and *fast ...* see <https://julialang.org/benchmarks/>
- Excellent numerical package **libraries** are available (FFTW, interpolations, Bessel etc.)
- Code **reads like math** and is easy to follow
- **Do it all in Julia**, no more Python prototyping → C++/Fortran/MPI production → Python visualization
- Avoid dealing with Makefiles et al. – **incremental recompilation** massively boosts productivity
- Julia is excellent for prototyping to production and **package distribution**





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the Future

# Get involved!

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<https://github.com/GeoscienceAustralia/HiQGA.jl>

We welcome your contributions

[Anandaroop.Ray@ga.gov.au](mailto:Anandaroop.Ray@ga.gov.au)





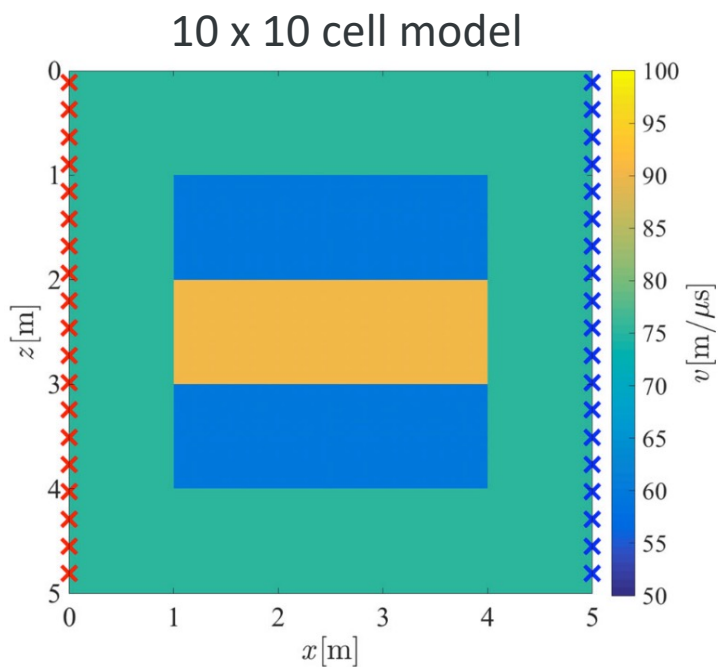
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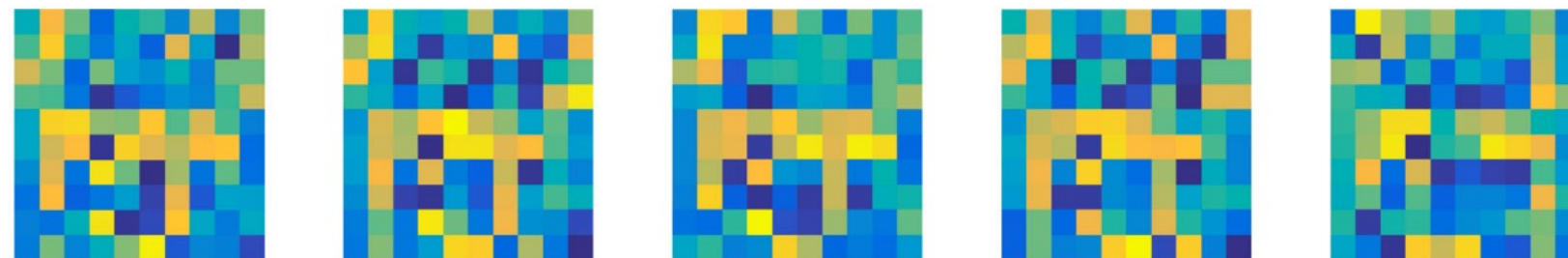
# Backup slides

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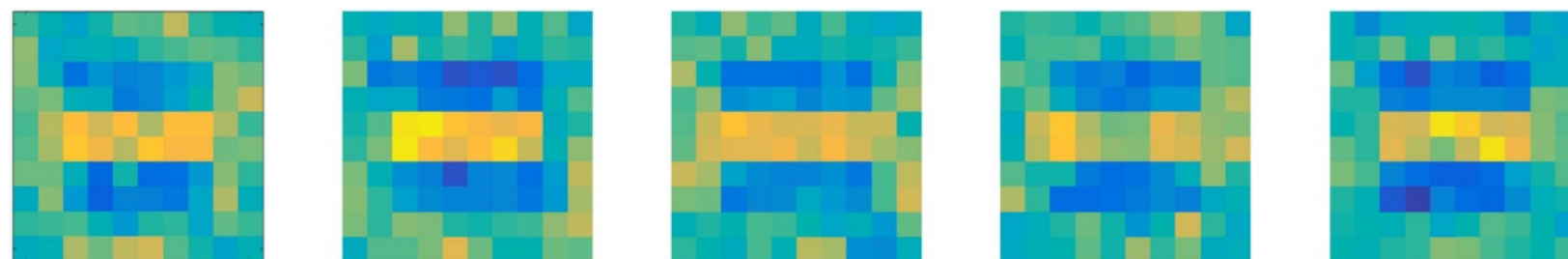
# Uncorrelated posterior realizations are unsatisfactory



**Figure 4.** A simple synthetic test model of radar wave speed  $v$ . Red crosses represents the 19 equally spaced sources while the blue crosses represents the 19 equally spaced receivers for the crosshole GPR experiment.



Uncorrelated realizations



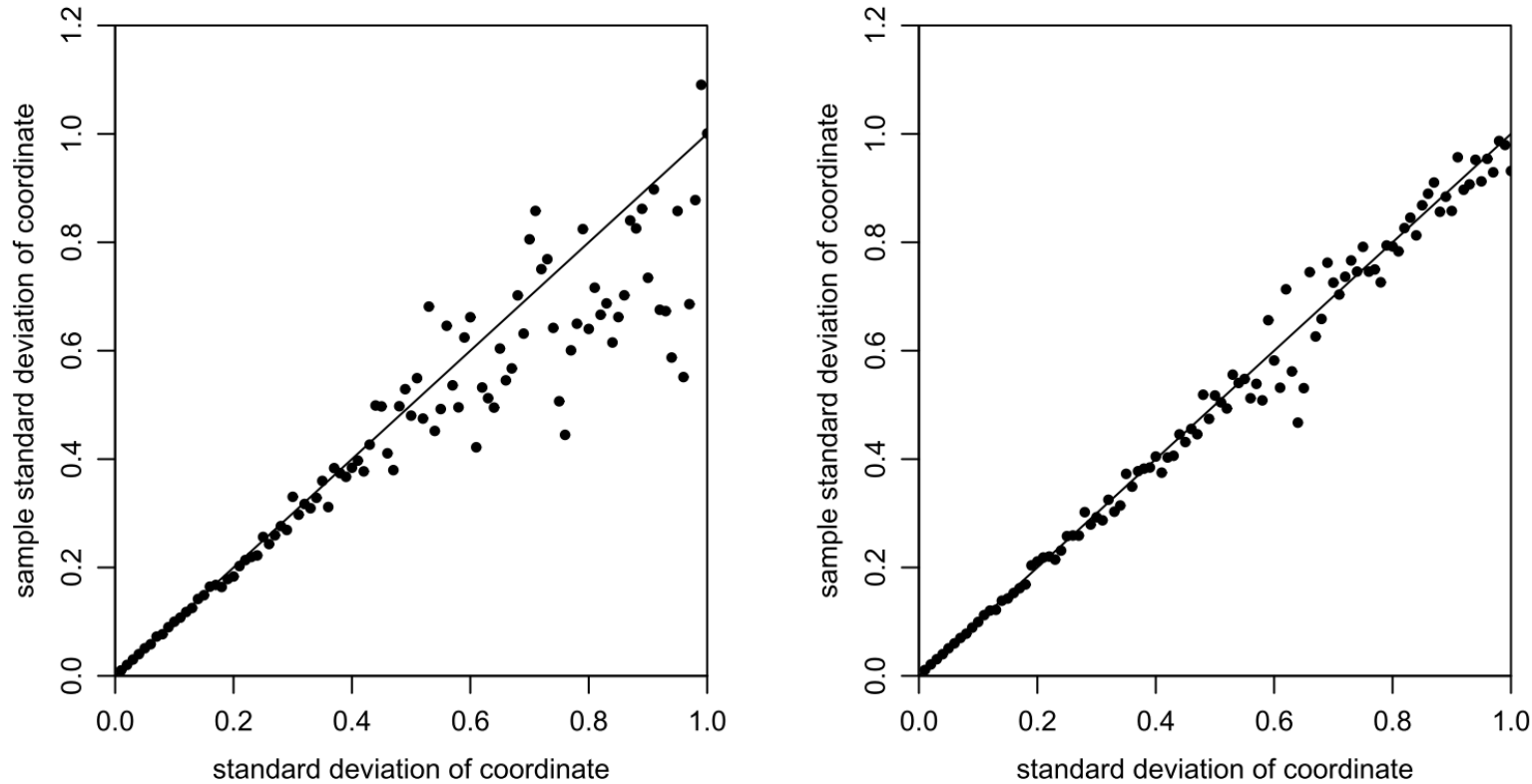
Structure constrained realizations

Geophysical Journal International, 2017

**On structure-based priors in Bayesian geophysical inversion**

G. de Pasquale and N. Linde

# Why are effective parameterizations necessary?



$10^2$  pixels is hard.  
What about  $10^5$  ?

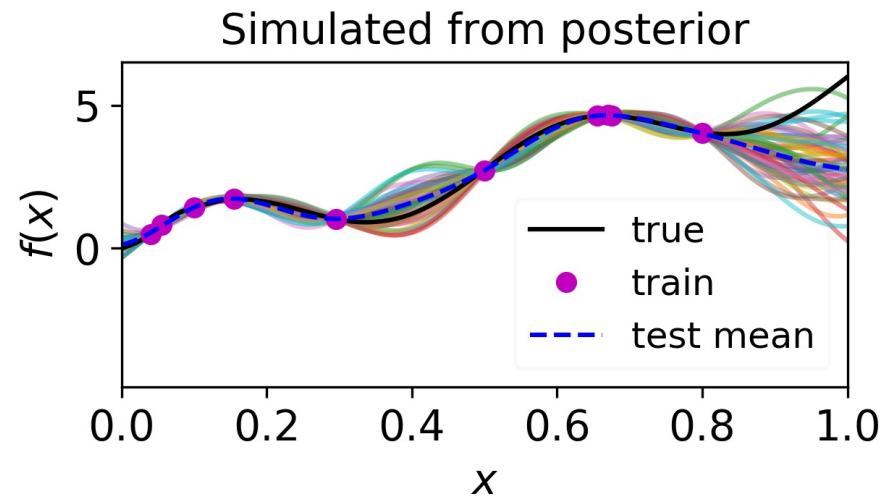
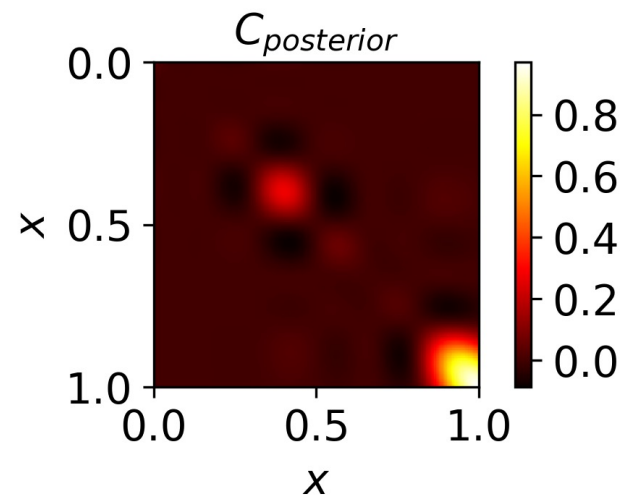
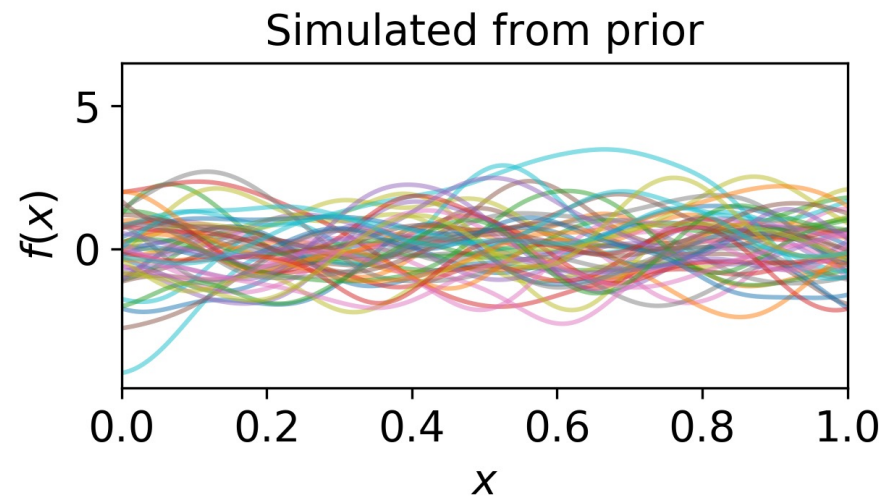
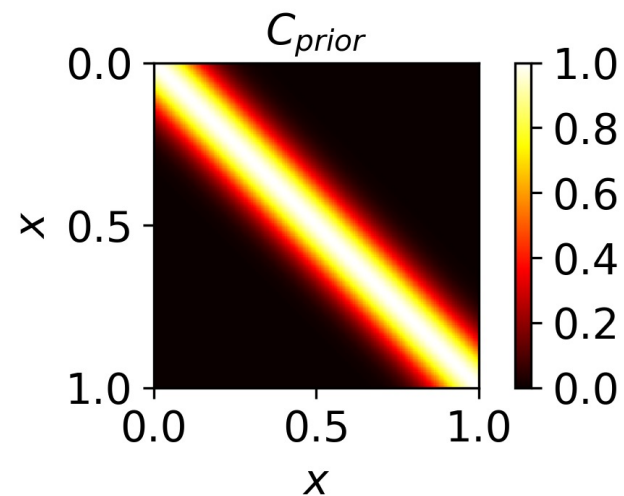
Figure 7: Estimates of means (top) and standard deviations (bottom) for the 100-dimensional example, using random-walk Metropolis (left) and HMC (right). The 100 variables are labelled on the horizontal axes by the true standard deviation of that variable. Estimates are on the vertical axes.

Handbook of MCMC, 2011

## MCMC using Hamiltonian dynamics

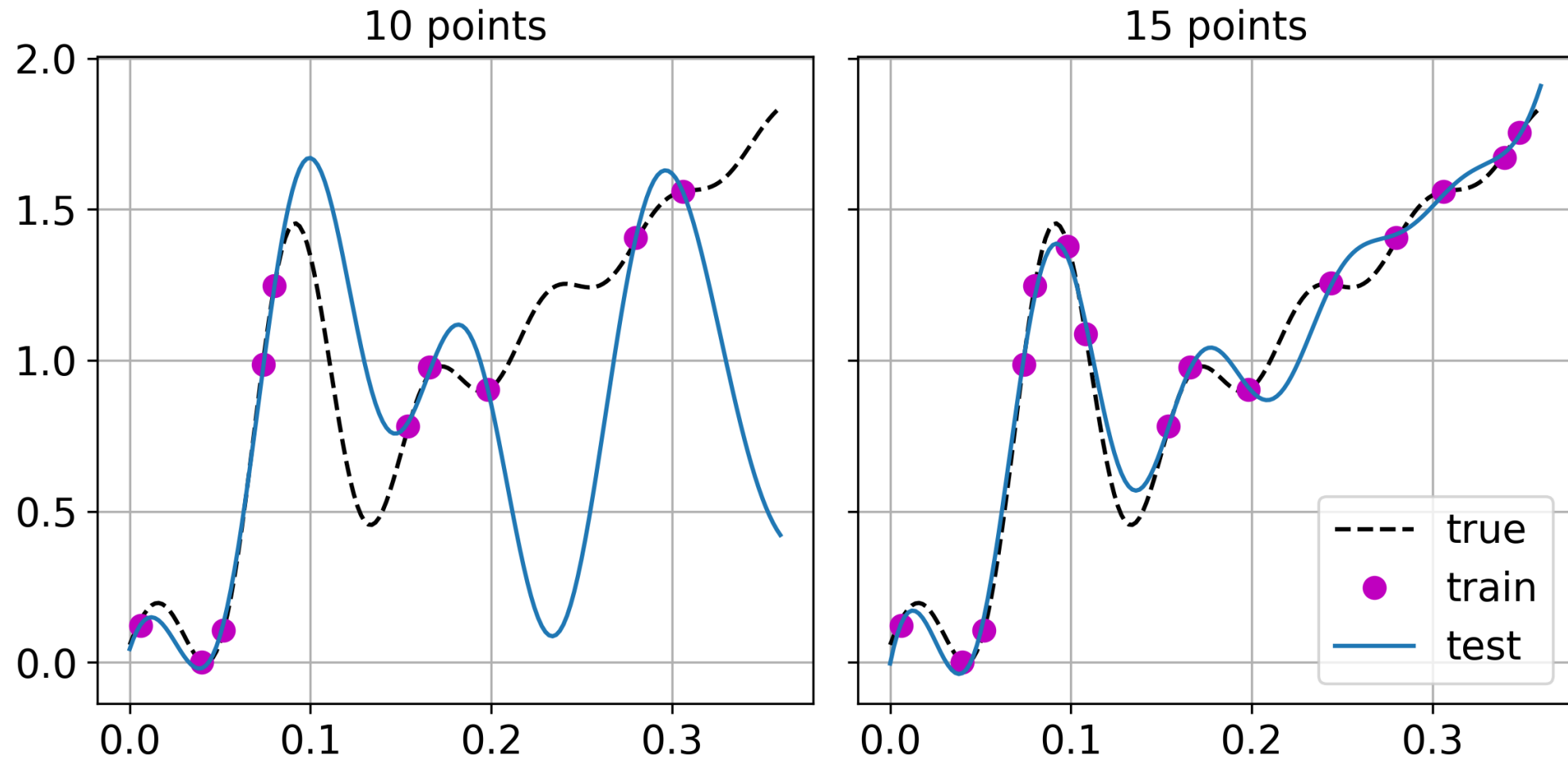
Radford M. Neal, University of Toronto

# Gaussian Processes – naturally Bayesian



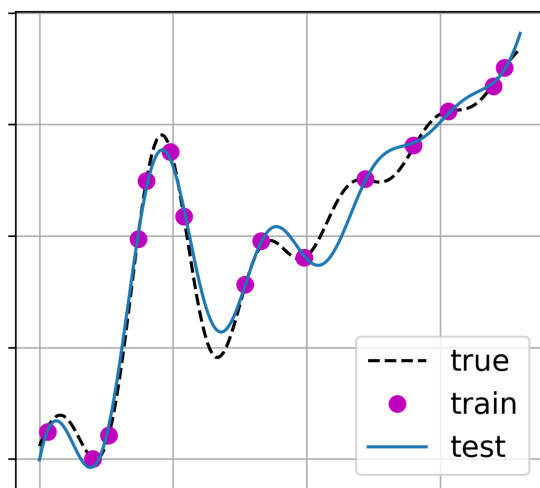
Rasmussen & Williams (2006)  
Ray & Myer 2019

# Fitting a function using a Gaussian process mean

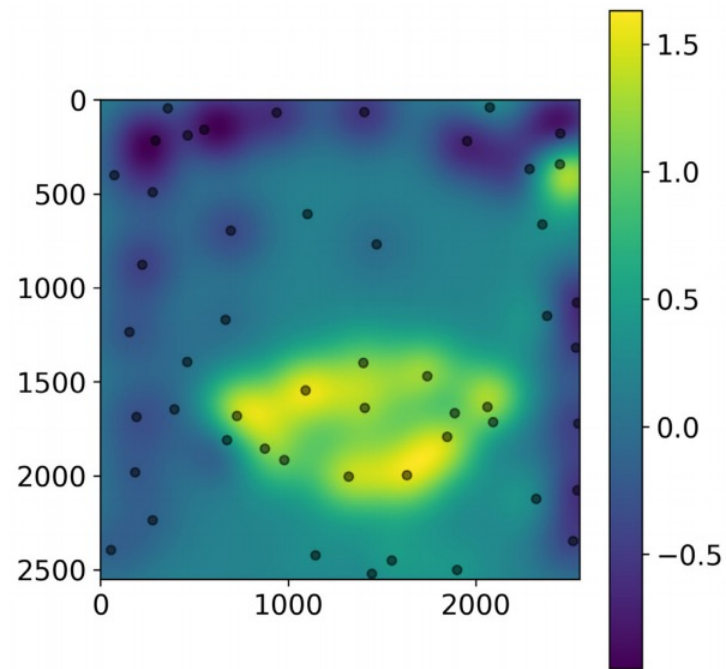


Ray & Myer 2019

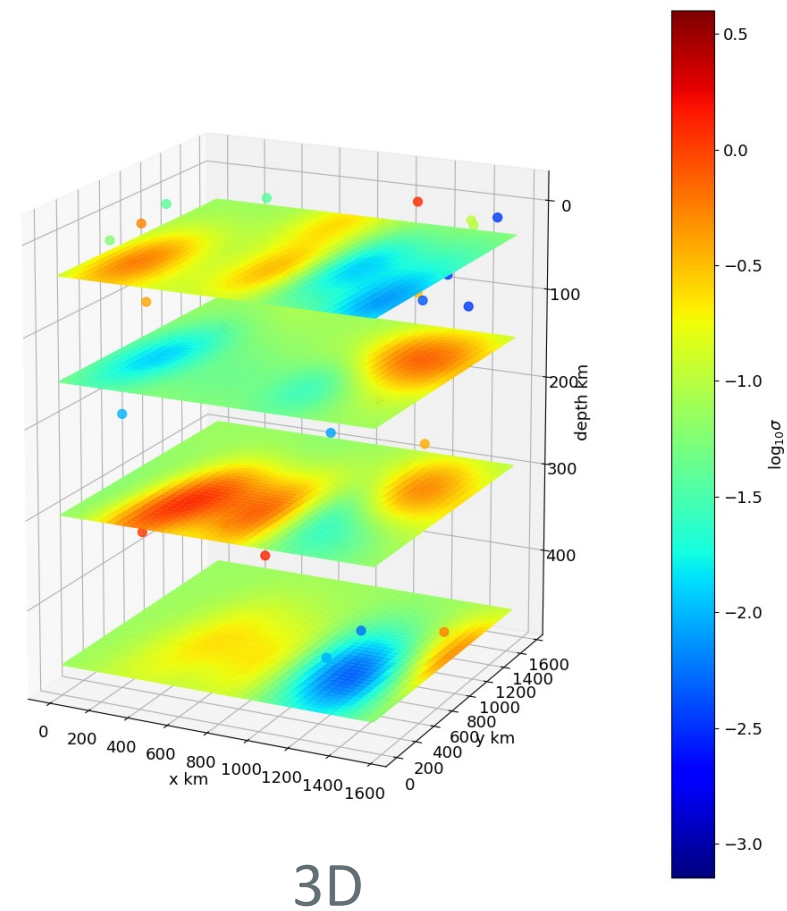
# Represent $N_d$ functions with *same* equation



1D



2D

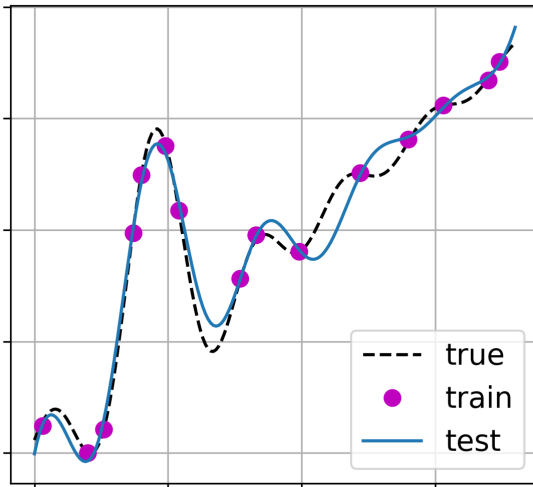


3D

# Gaussian process mean

$$K(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}') = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}']^t \mathbf{C}_\lambda^{-1}[\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}']\right), \text{ where } \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_d}$$

Rasmussen & Williams (2006)



$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_* = \mathbf{K}_* \mathbf{K}_m^{-1} \mathbf{m}$$

Full model vector  
 $n \times 1$  (**LARGE**)

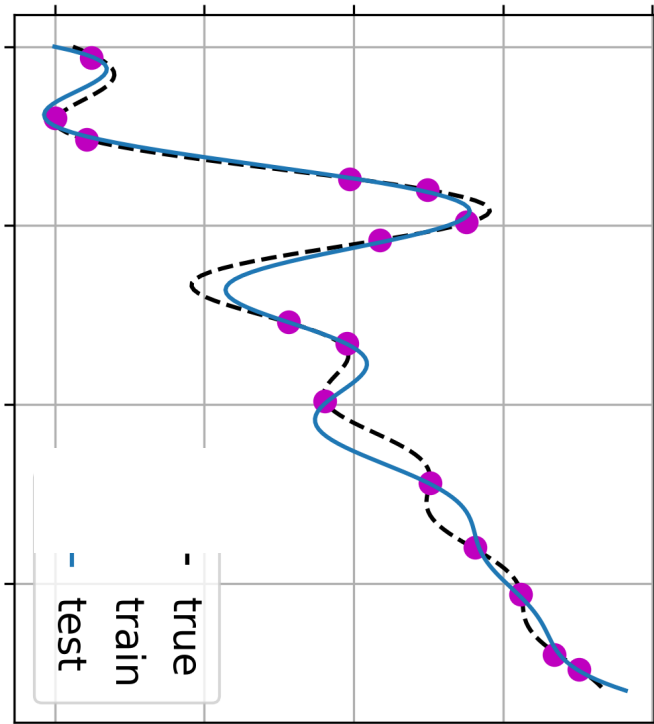
“Cross” kernel  
matrix  
 $n \times r$

“Self” kernel  
matrix  
 $r \times r$

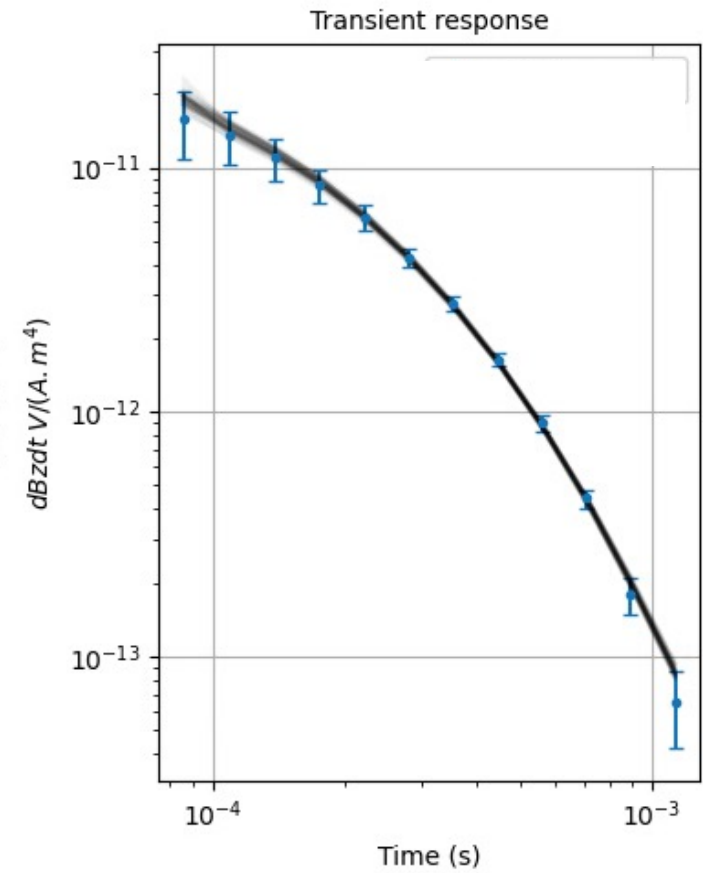
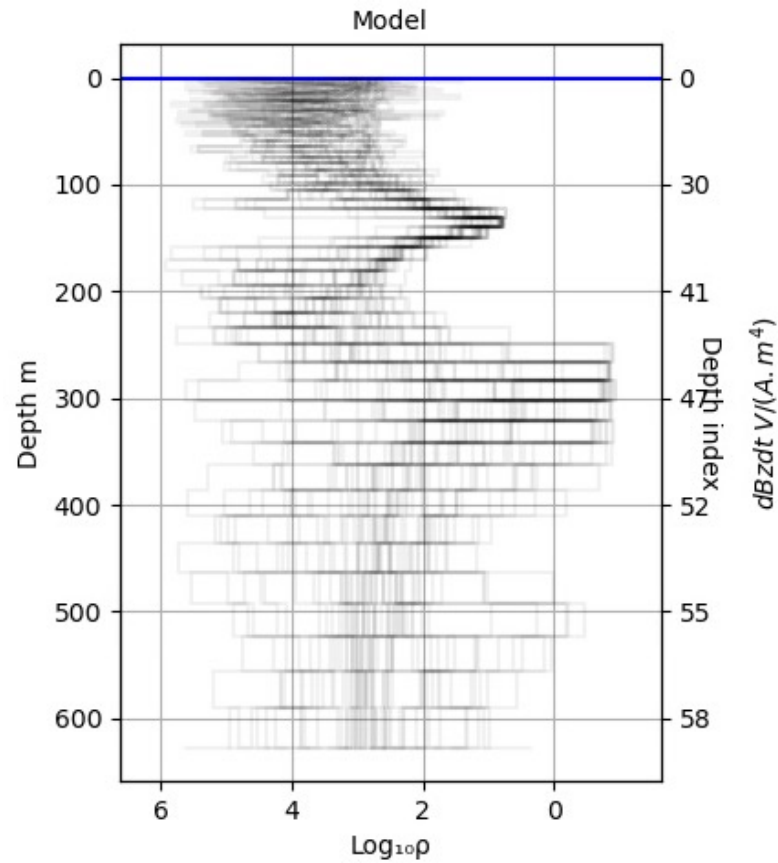
GP nuclei model  
vector  
 $r \times 1$  (small)



# Now does this look like an earth property?



Transdimensional Gaussian processes (TDGP)  
Ray & Myer 2019



# What we'll do different now: self parameterisation

Ordinary McMC	Change model parameters while sampling
trans-D McMC (and TDGP)	<i>Add/delete</i> parameters while sampling
<b>Nested TDGP</b>	Construct above parameters using <b>another</b> trans-D Gaussian process

$$\mathbf{C}_{\text{avg}} = \frac{\mathbf{C}_i + \mathbf{C}_j}{2}.$$
$$k(\mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{y}_j) = |\mathbf{C}_i|^{\frac{1}{4}} |\mathbf{C}_j|^{\frac{1}{4}} |\mathbf{C}_{\text{avg}}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} R(\sqrt{Q_{ij}}),$$

Ray 2021  
Following Paciorek & Schervish 2003

# 2-layer Gaussian process

contains length scale values and their locations

$$\boxed{\theta_s}, \lambda_s, \sigma_s \xrightarrow[\text{with Equation (4)}]{\text{use Equation (1)}} \mu_{*s}$$

contains property values and their locations

$$\boxed{\theta_{ns}}, \mu_{*s}, \sigma_{ns} \xrightarrow[\text{with Equation (7)}]{\text{use Equation (1)}} \mu_{*ns}$$

To compute the misfit, we need  $\mu_{*ns}$

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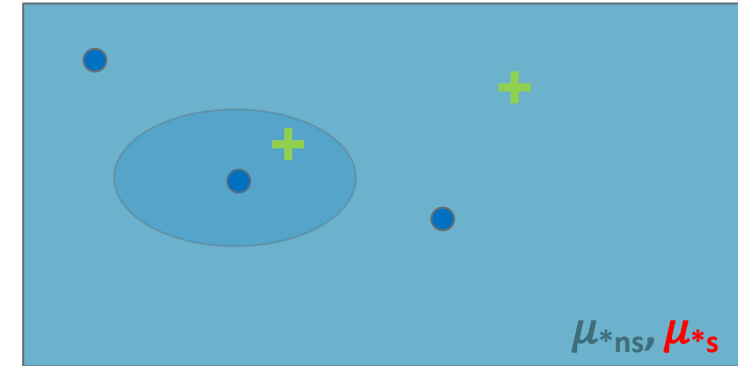
# Structure of changes in an update #2

contains length scale values and their locations

$$\boxed{\theta_s}, \lambda_s, \sigma_s \xrightarrow[\text{with Equation (4)}]{\text{use Equation (1)}} \mu_{*s}$$

contains property values and their locations

$$\boxed{\theta_{ns}}, \mu_{*s}, \sigma_{ns} \xrightarrow[\text{with Equation (7)}]{\text{use Equation (1)}} \mu_{*ns}$$



- Only propagate significant changes in  $\mu_{*s}$  to  $\mu_{*ns}$
- KDTree searches for elements of  $\theta_{ns}$  (+) “close” to  $\theta_s$  (•)