

# **FE0009260: ADVANCED JOINT INVERSION OF LARGE DATA SETS FOR CHARACTERIZATION AND REAL-TIME MONITORING OF CO<sub>2</sub> STORAGE SYSTEMS**

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**Enhancing Storage Performance and  
Reducing Failure Risks under Uncertainties**

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# Outline

- Role in the program
- Objectives
- Contributions to date
- Ongoing work
- Road ahead

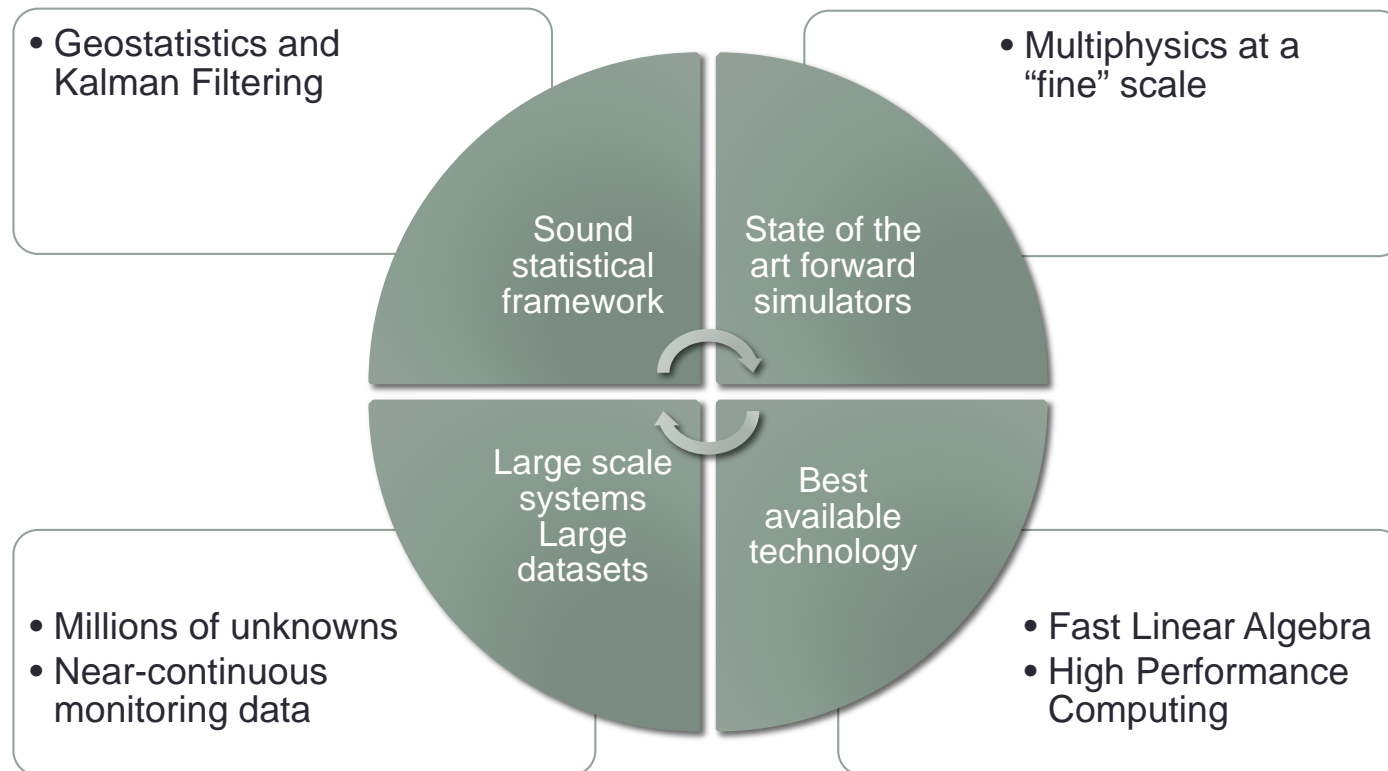
# Current needs in CCS

## Support decision making for best design and control of CO<sub>2</sub> injection and storage operations

- This involves:
  - *Process simulation of complex, large, multiphase systems.*
  - *Dynamic monitoring with instrumentation providing near-continuous, but noisy datasets.*
  - *Assimilation of data of multiple types.*
  - *Uncertainly quantification and risk assessment.*

# Our objective

- **Develop, test, and apply advanced algorithms for high resolution estimation of subsurface properties and CO<sub>2</sub> transport and provide uncertainty estimates.**



# Project overview 1/2

## Advance Methodologies

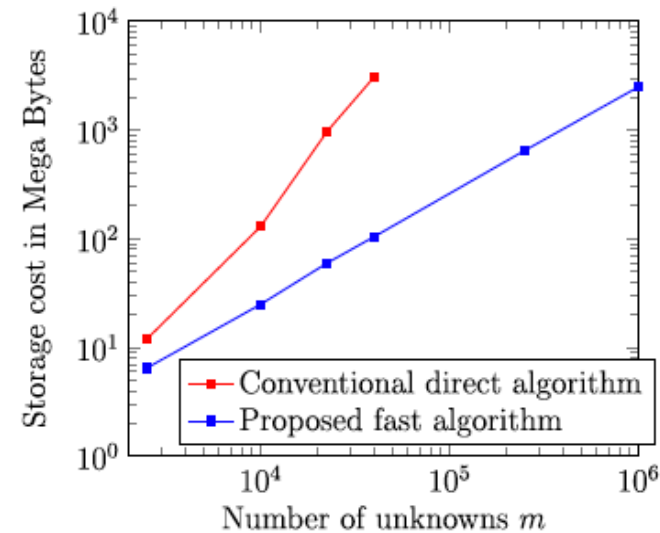
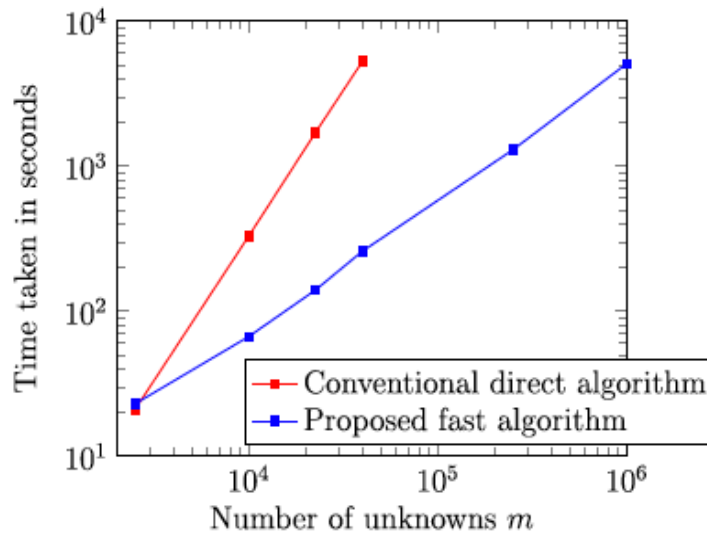
- **Static inversion** → **Geostatistical inversion** → **Characterization**
- **Dynamic inversion** → **Kalman Filter** → **Real-time CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring**

# Project overview 2/2

- **Evaluate developed methods for realistic CCS examples**
  - Synthetic cases
    - Three-dimensional, heterogeneous, real-sized domains
  - Real cases
    - Frio-I pilot test and In Salah site

# Static inversion using $H$ matrices

*S. Ambikasaran, J. Y. Li, P. K. Kitanidis and E. F. Darve, 2013 J. Comp. Geosc. 17:913–927*



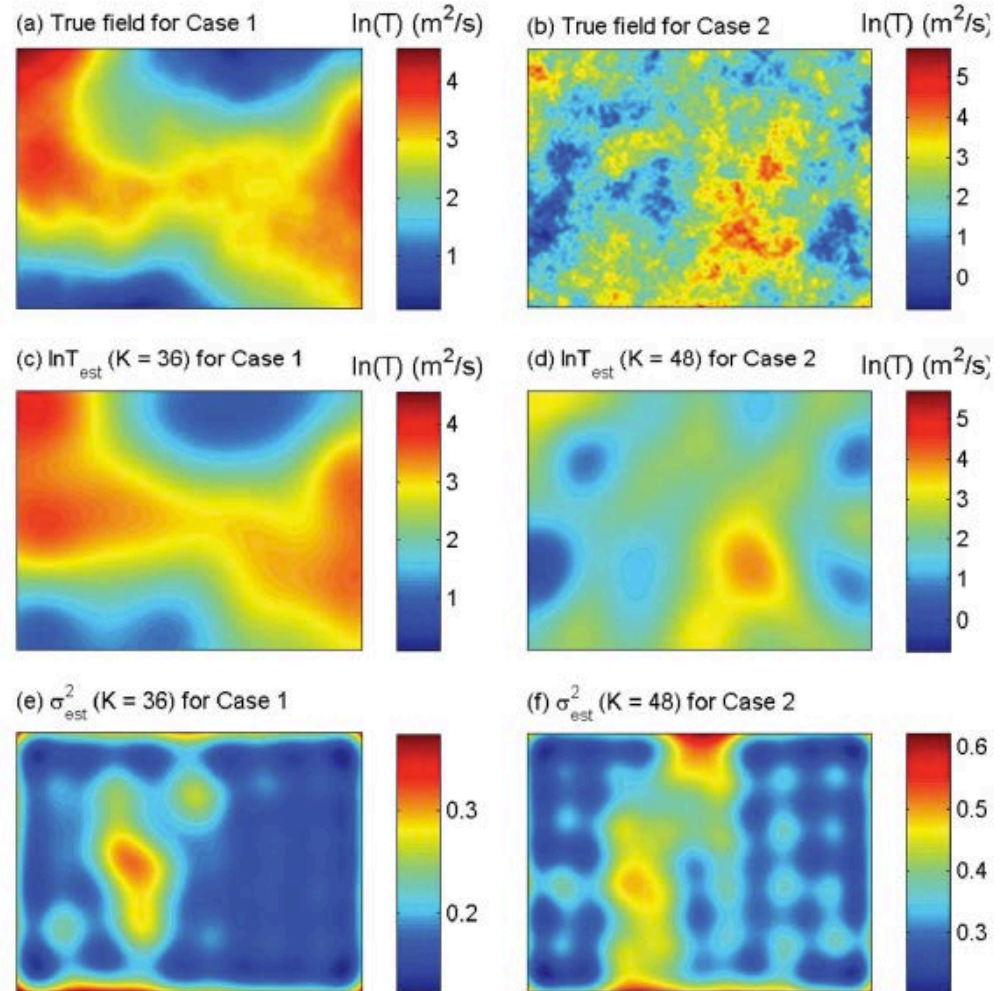
- Hierarchical matrices: data-sparse approximations of non-sparse matrices.
- Harnessing the hierarchical structure of matrices used to describe geospatial correlation, we can dramatically reduce the cost of matrix operations.



# Static inversion

## Principal Component Geostatistical Approach

- Hydraulic tomography application to large-scale system:  
750 m x 1000 m,  
 $3 \times 10^6$  unknowns
- < 50 terms needed!
- Inversion completed in less than two hours, with a storage cost of roughly 1.5 GB

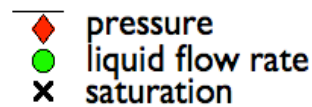
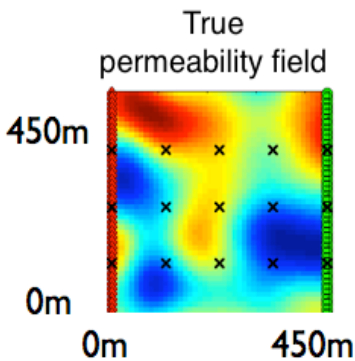


Lee, J. and Kitanidis, P. K. 2014, Water Resour. Res. 50

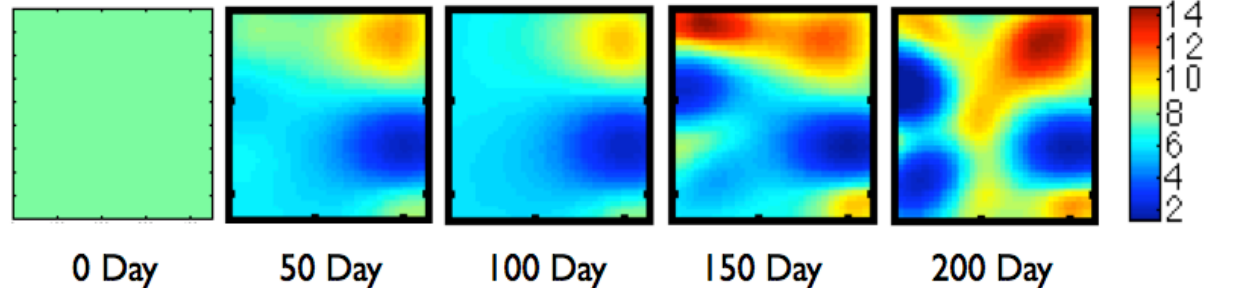
# Dynamic monitoring - CSKF

- Compressed State Kalman Filter

- Matrix factorization of the covariance using a fixed basis leads to smaller matrices and faster computations, with minimal loss of accuracy of the inversion algorithm.



Estimated permeability field



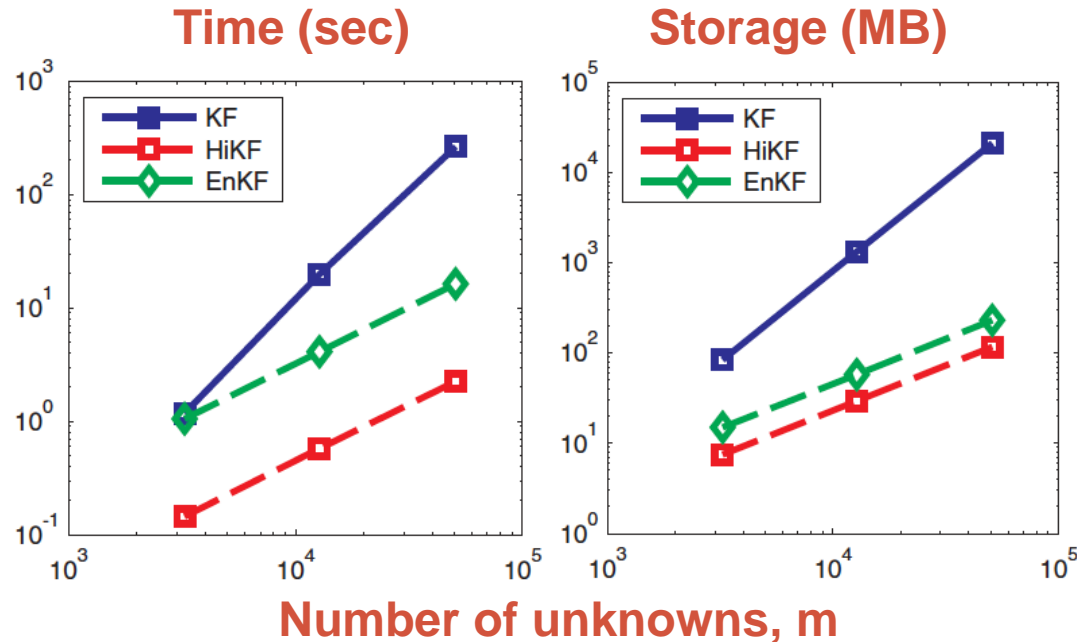
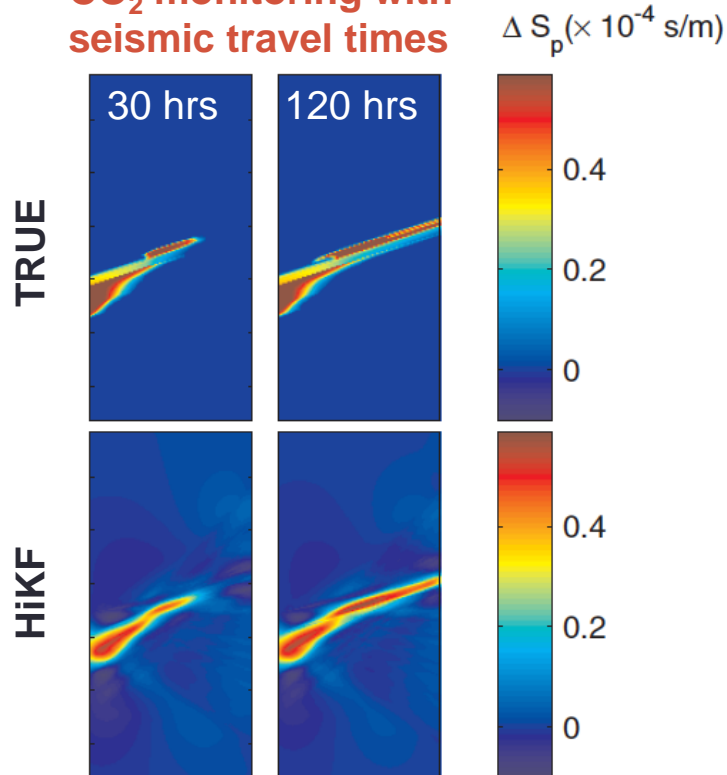
*Joint estimation of permeability and CO<sub>2</sub> saturation using measurements of CO<sub>2</sub>, pressure, and water production rates.*

# Dynamic monitoring - HiKF

*Li, J. Y., S. Ambikasaran, E. F. Darve, and P. K. Kitanidis, 2014 Water Resour. Res., 50*

- Hierarchical Kalman Filter for quasi-continuous data assimilation
- Reduction of computation cost from  $O(m^2)$  to  $O(m)$   $m$ : # unknowns

CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring with seismic travel times

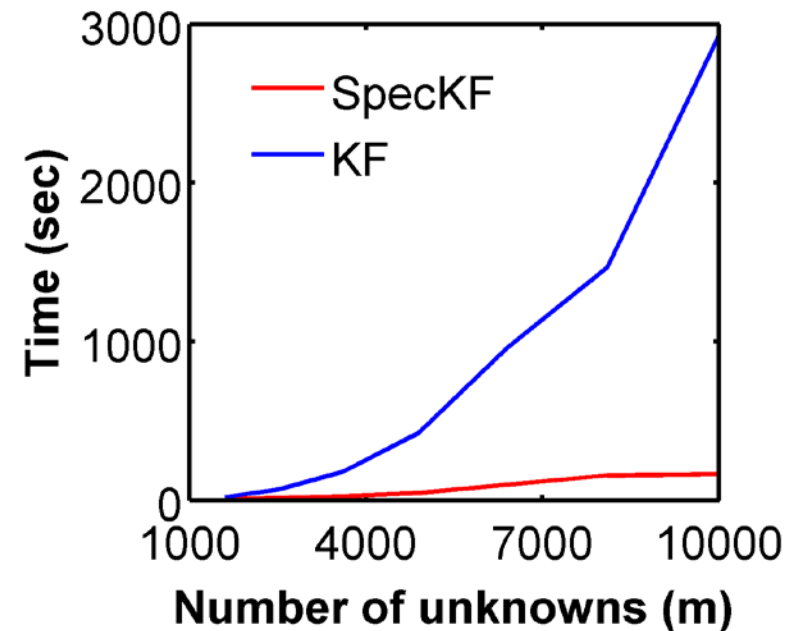
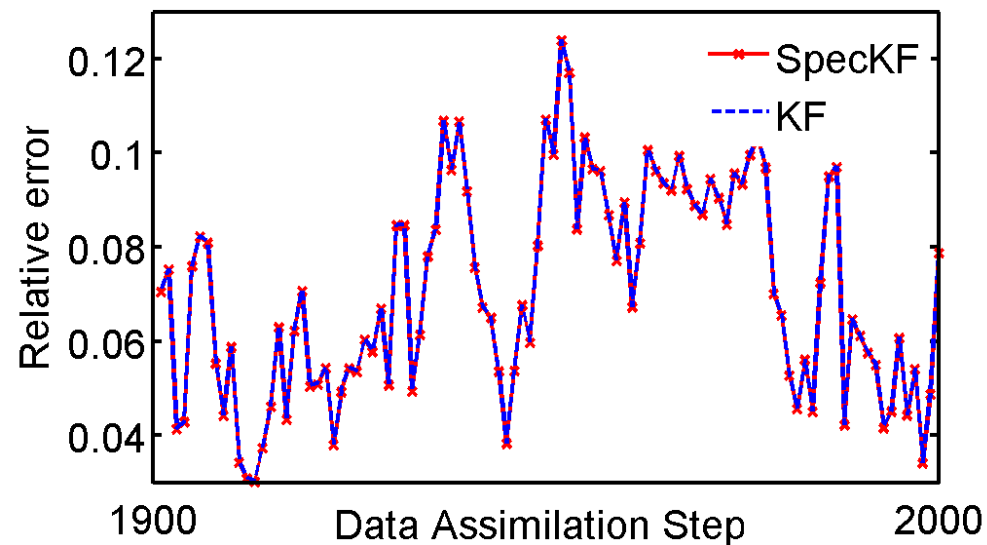


# Dynamic monitoring – Spec KF

- Spectral Kalman Filter → A Kalman Filter with **better** convergence than EnKF, combining:
  - Low-rank representation of covariance matrices (hierarchical)
  - Matrix-free calculation for non-linear problems (*i.e.*, no explicit calculation of Jacobian)
  - Avoid constructing and updating the full covariance matrix
  - Works best for high-frequency data
  - Can handle less smooth functions.

# Dynamic monitoring – Spec KF

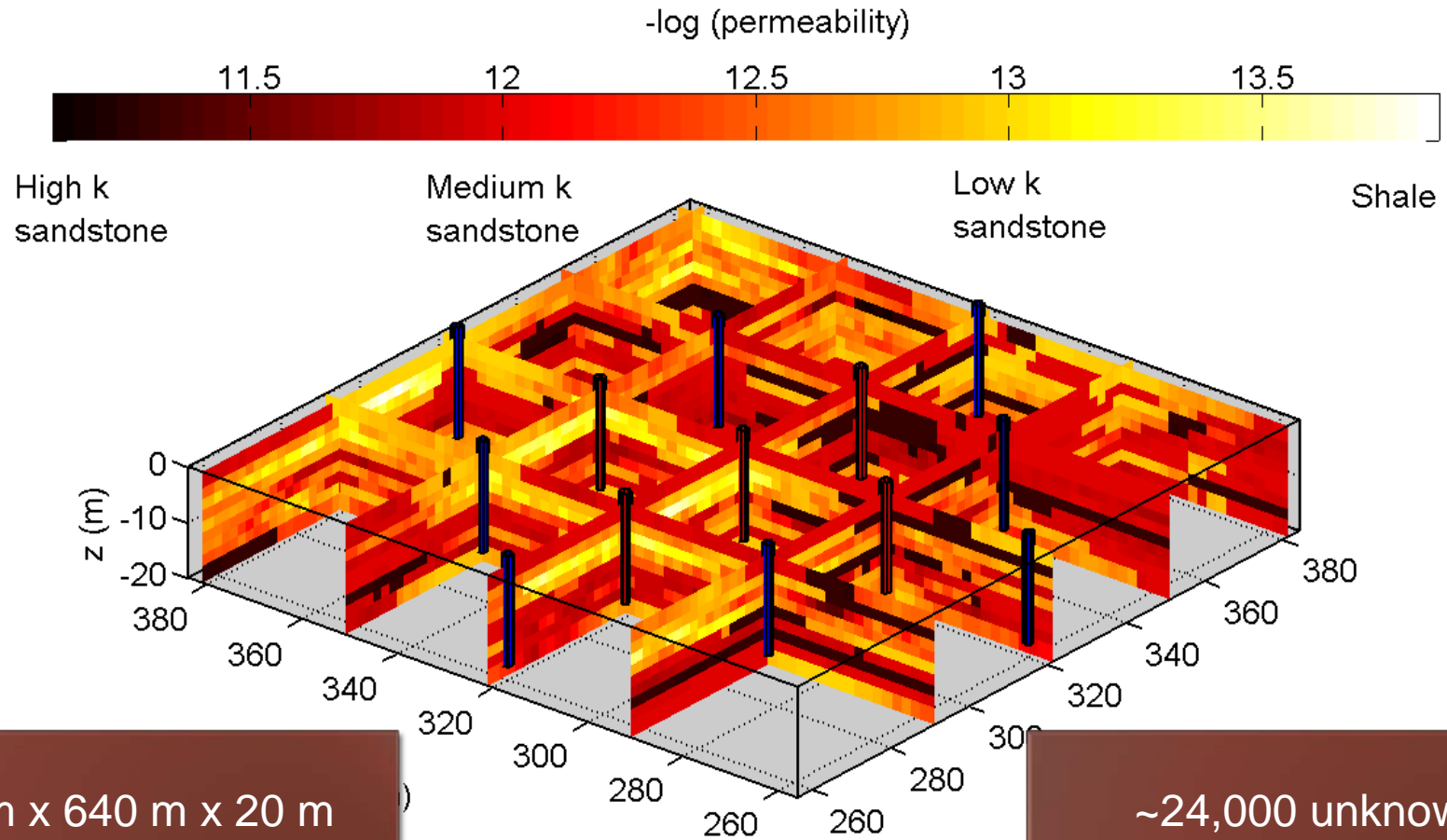
- Negligible difference from (full) Kalman Filter in estimation
- Computation time of Spec KF increases slowly with problem size



# Synthetic Cases

**The mathematical methods we have developed allow us to handle realistic synthetic cases, with high heterogeneity and diverse and numerous observations.**

# Applications



640 m x 640 m x 20 m  
synthetic domain

~24,000 unknown  
permeabilities

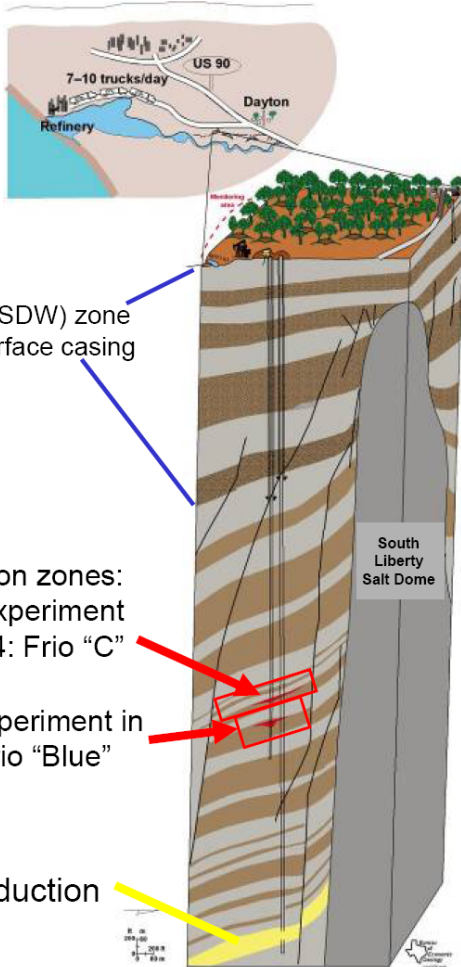
# Application to real sites

- Many challenges:
  - Diverse and sparse datasets
  - Poor prior knowledge
  - Even larger number of unknowns
  - Forward model simulation challenges
  - Tendency to oversimplify and undersimulate
- **Fast algorithms cannot make up for the lack of information in the data; but they are *necessary* if we want *to improve our rough prior models* and operation design, as new data become available *in real time*.**



# Frio – I site

Gulf Coast Carbon Center

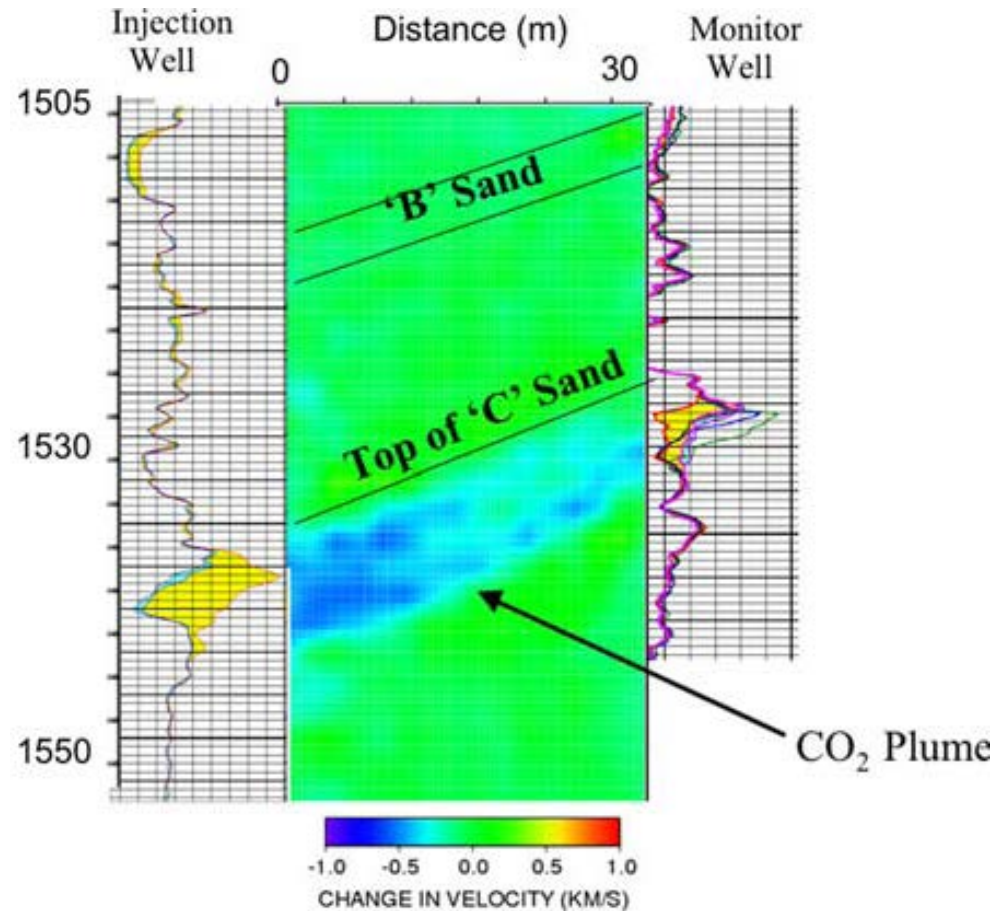


Fresh-water (USDW) zone protected by surface casing

Injection zones:  
First experiment in 2004: Frio "C"

Second experiment in 2006: Frio "Blue"

Oil production



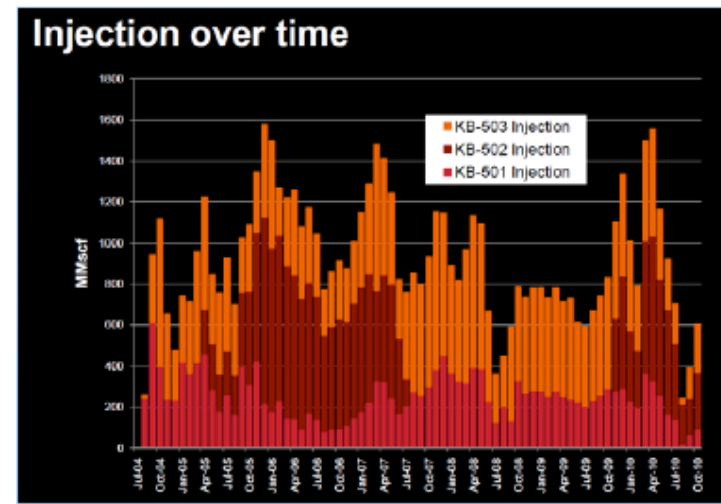
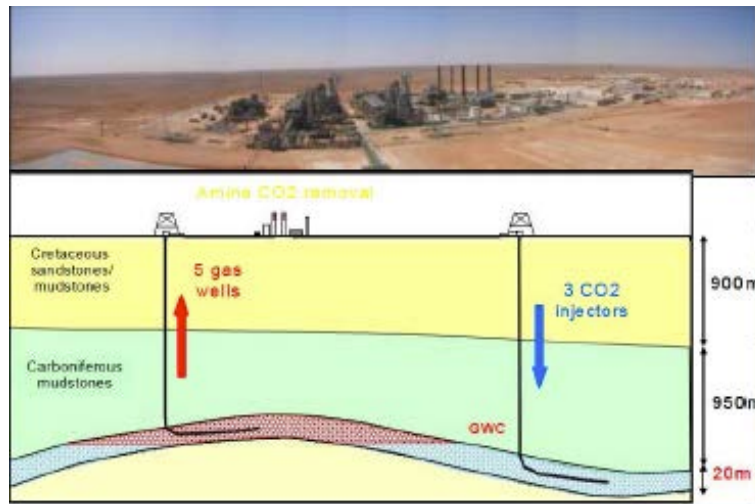
# Frio-1 site

## Two-well setup: injection and pumping well Datasets

Prior to CO <sub>2</sub> injection	During CO <sub>2</sub> injection
Pumping tests	CO <sub>2</sub> saturation vertical profiles
Thermal tracer tests	Temperature vertical profiles
Conservative tracer tests	Pressure

- Quantitative geophysical data indicate two major preferential pathways that CO<sub>2</sub> followed upon injection.
  - One objective: confirm preferential flow pathways and refine prior geological model.

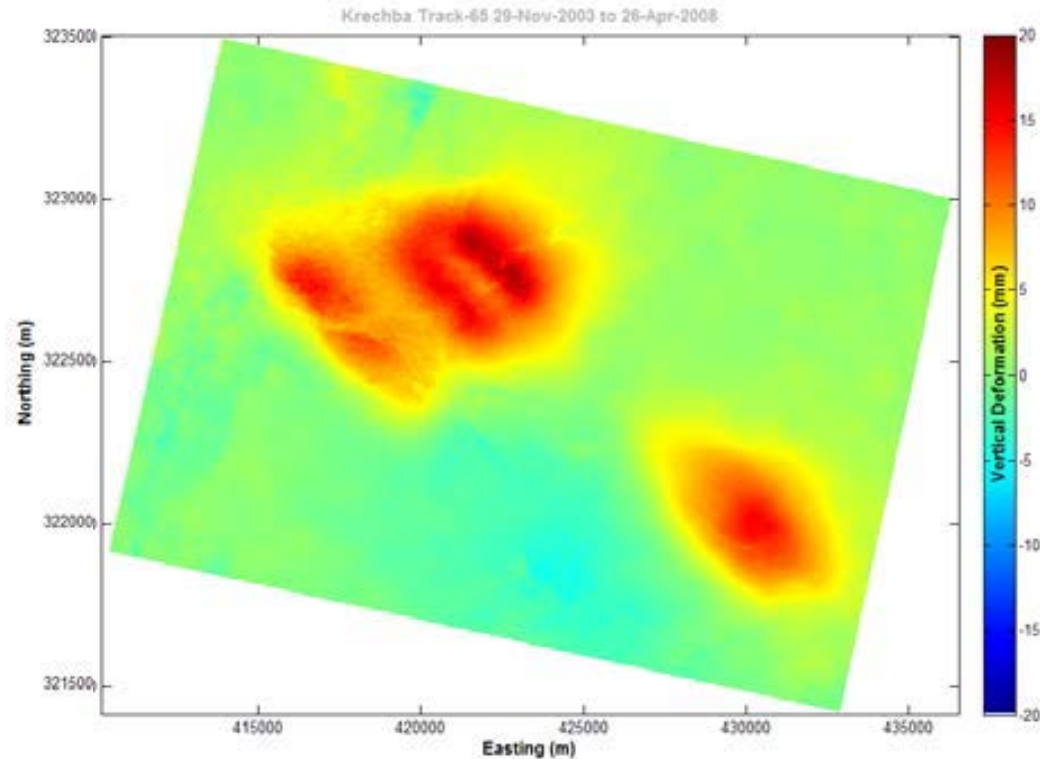
# In Salah site



- Fewer data yet even larger scale:
  - 27 km x 43 km, 3 horizontal wells
- Even more complex physical problem
  - Fractured storage system
- Challenging the limits of forward and inverse modeling

# In Salah site

- Challenge: To use high resolution InSAR data for surface deformation to calibrate geomechanical model and identify heterogeneity.



# Summary

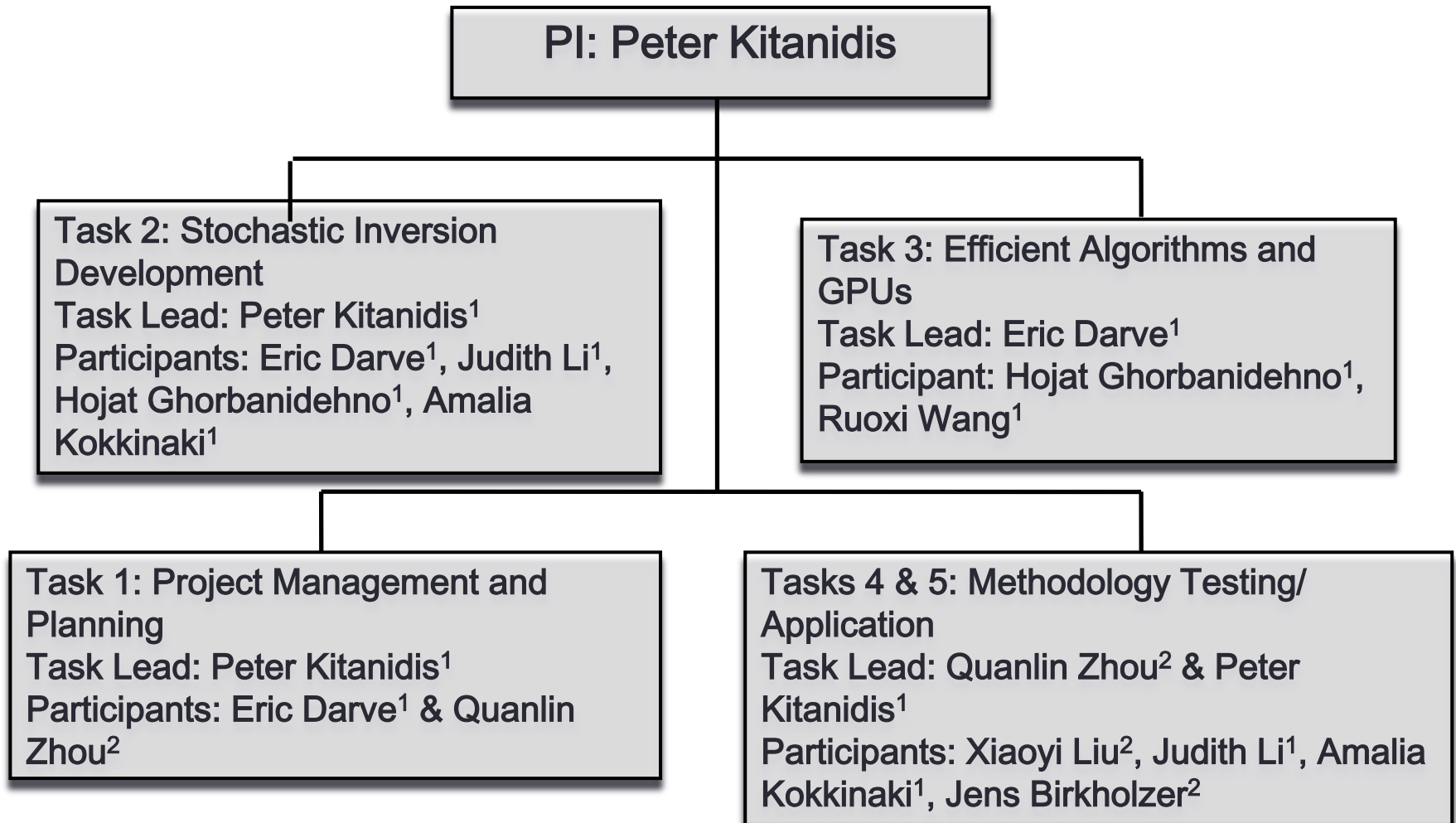
- Faster data-assimilation algorithms make it possible to answer crucial questions about CCS design and operation.
- We have developed inversion algorithms that provide big computational speed-up and storage cost savings:
  - Computational efficiency and accuracy validated using synthetic examples.
  - Currently being tested on real-sized domains with synthetic and real data.
- Project products will include guidance documents and user-friendly inversion packages that can be used to optimize CO<sub>2</sub> injection design and operation at real sites.

# Approach

- Develop inversion methods that utilize fast linear algebra tools
  - Take advantage of structure and properties of the problem
  - Compute only what is needed
  - Compute at as high accuracy as needed
- Utilize modern computational environments (parallel computing)
- Can be used as black-boxes without specialized knowledge
- By doing that, we can :
  - Process large datasets in real time with modest computer resources
  - Provide estimates and their uncertainties to inform decision making

# Appendix

- These slides will not be discussed during the presentation, **but are mandatory**



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# Project Team

## At Stanford University:

- **Sivaram Ambikasaran, PhD candidate in Computational and Mathematical Engineering (graduated in Aug 2013)**
- **Judith Li, PhD candidate in Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE)**
- **Hojat Ghorbanidehno, PhD candidate in Mechanical Engineering (ME)**
- **Ruoxi Wang , PhD candidate in Computational and Mathematical Engineering (CME)**
- **Amalia Kokkinaki, post-doc in CEE**

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## At Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory:

- **Jens Birkholzer, collaborates on mathematical modeling issues**
- **Keni Zhang, collaborates on high-performance computing and the use of TOUGH2 model**
- **Xiaoyi Liu, collaborates on both forward modeling and inversion (left in May 2014)**



# Project Workplan/SOPO Project Tasks

- Task 1: Project Management and Planning
  - Subtask 1.1: Project Management Plan
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- Task 4.0: Testing of the Joint Inversion Methodology for a Synthetic Geologic Carbon Storage Example
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  - Subtask 4.2: Generation of the Simulated Data of Hydro-Tracer-Thermal Tests and CO<sub>2</sub> Injection Test
    - Subtask 4.2.1: Creation of the Simulated Data for Hydro-Tracer-Thermal Tests Prior to CO<sub>2</sub> Injection
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  - Subtask 4.3: Joint Inversion of the Simulated Data
- Task 5.0: Application of the Methodology to Test Sites
  - Subtask 5.1 – Application to Test Site One
  - Subtask 5.2 – Application to Test Site Two

# Project Deliverables

- 1. Task 1.0 – Project Management Plan
- 2. Task 2.0 – Developed inversion algorithms and their demonstration cases, with the final joint inversion tool system, as documented in a quick-look report.
- 3. Task 3.0 – Developed fast large linear system solvers with different computational algorithms as documented in a quick-look report.
- 4. Task 4.0 – Test results of the joint inversion methodology for a synthetic Geologic Carbon Storage example as documented in a quick-look report.
- 5. Task 5.0 – Test results of application of the methodology to field test sites as documented in a quick-look report.
- 6. Task 5.0 – Validation of developed computational tools performance and cost as documented in quick-look report.
- 7. Project Data – Data generated as a result of this project shall be submitted to NETL for inclusion in the NETL Energy Data eXchange (EDX), <https://edx.netl.doe.gov/>.

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