



# SMART-Phase 2

Science-informed Machine Learning to Accelerate Real Time (SMART) Decisions in Subsurface Applications

ML-based Data Assimilation and History Matching: Application to the IBDP CCS Project

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- Development and application of ML-assisted tools and workflows for **field-scale application and validation** of geologic carbon storage
  - Rapid forecasting of CO<sub>2</sub> plume evolution and field pressure constrained to observed data while accounting for data sparsity and geologic uncertainties
- Current Challenges
  - Expensive forward simulation: multiphase, compositional and coupled flow
  - Repeated simulations for model calibration and uncertainty analysis
  - Traditional history matching is time consuming -- often takes weeks/months and is not amenable to real time decision-making

# Proposed Workflow: Outline of Steps

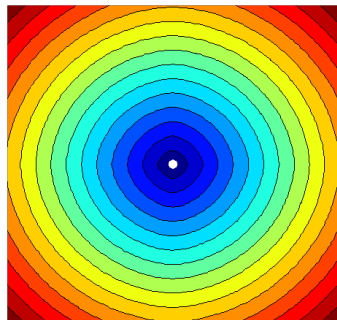
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# Data Dimensionality and Computational Time Reduction: Single DTOF Map Representing Pressure Propagation

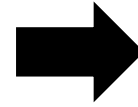
Radius of Investigation (ROI)  
for **homogeneous** reservoir

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{4kt}{\phi\mu c_t}}$$

'Peak' arrival time



(Lee, 1982)



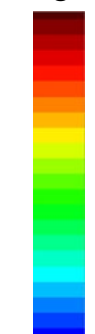
Generalization of ROI  
for **heterogeneous** reservoir

Eikonal eq.:  $\sqrt{\frac{k(\mathbf{x})}{\phi(\mathbf{x})\mu c_t}} |\nabla \tau| = 1$

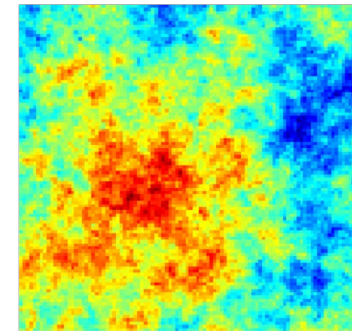
Fast Marching Method  
(FMM)

Speed (diffusivity)

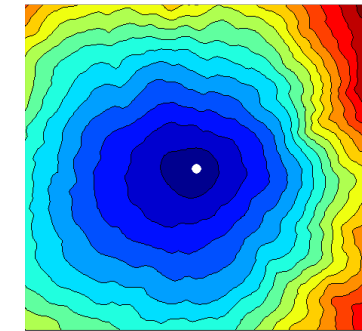
High



Low



**Diffusive Time-of-Flight (DTOF)**



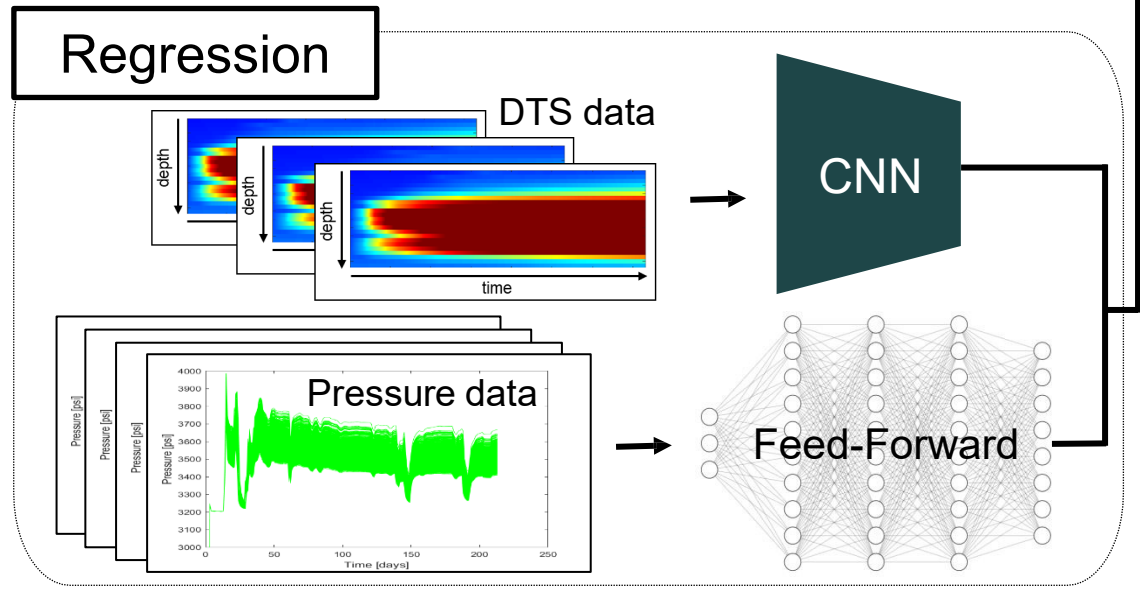
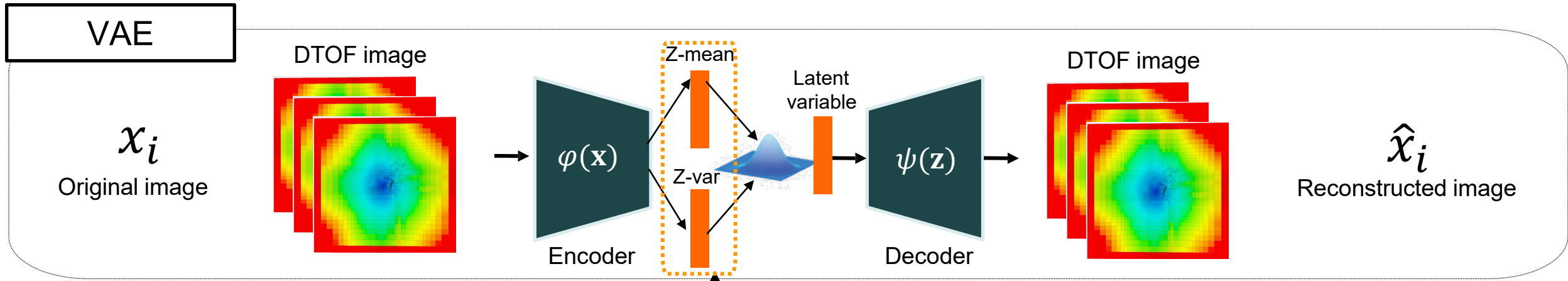
(Datta-Gupta, et al., 2011)

***Eikonal solution takes only a few seconds for multi-million cell models***

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# Neural Network Training



Loss function:

$$L = L_{VAE} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{N_z} \sum_{j=1}^{N_z} |\sigma_j^2 - \hat{\sigma}_j^2|^2}_{\text{Image reconstruction loss}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{N_z} \sum_{j=1}^{N_z} |\mu_j - \hat{\mu}_j|^2}_{\text{Bottleneck loss}}$$

Image reconstruction loss

Bottleneck loss

$\sigma_j^2$ : z-variance  
 $\mu_j$ : z-mean

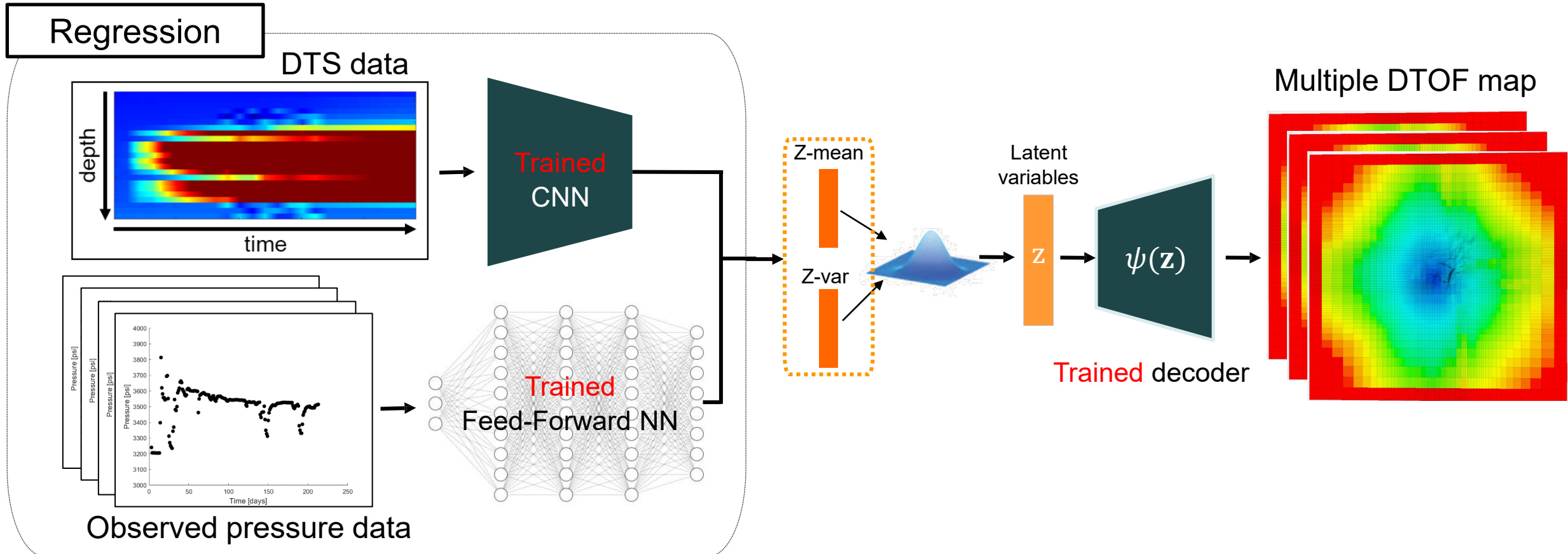


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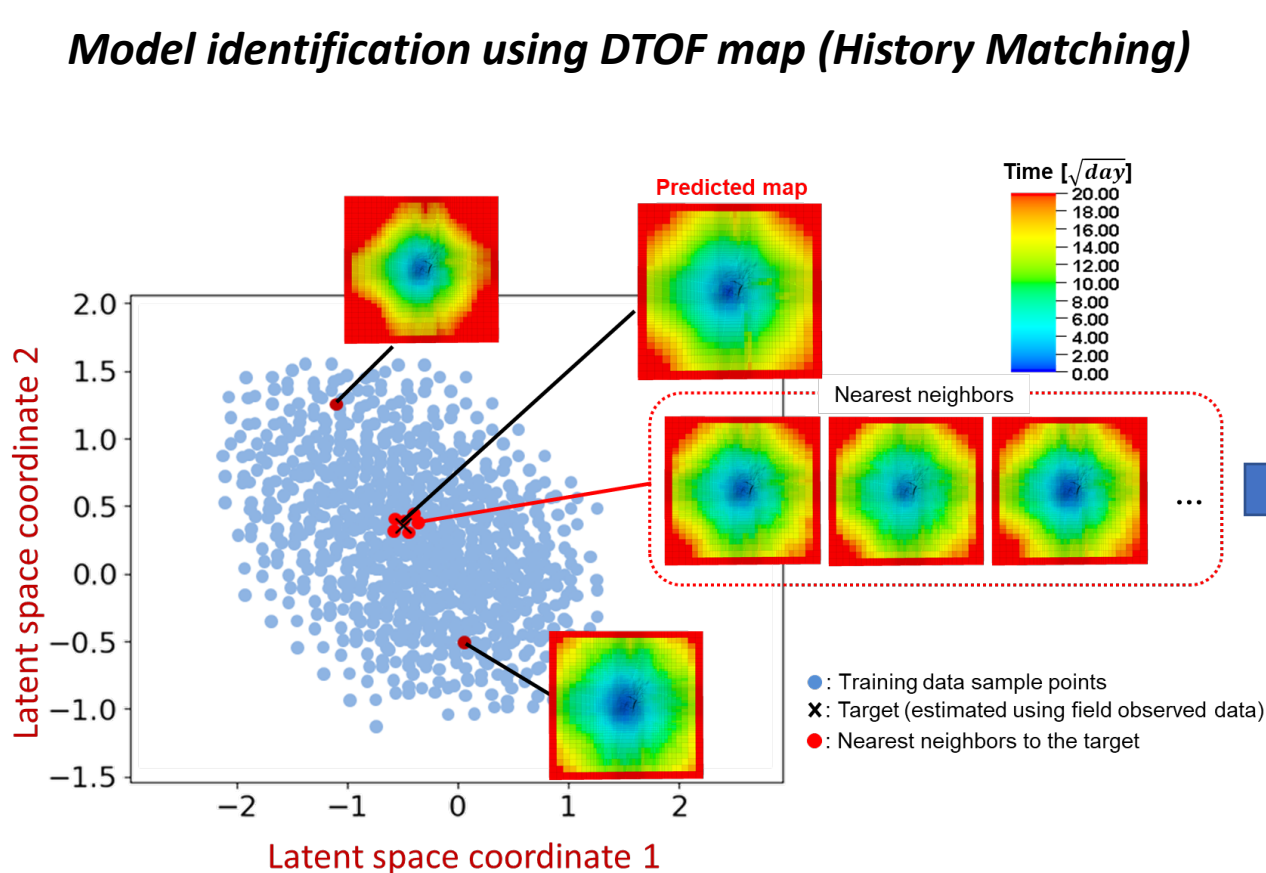
# Estimation of Diffusive Time of Flight (DTOF) Map

Estimate the DTOF map based on the field monitoring measurements

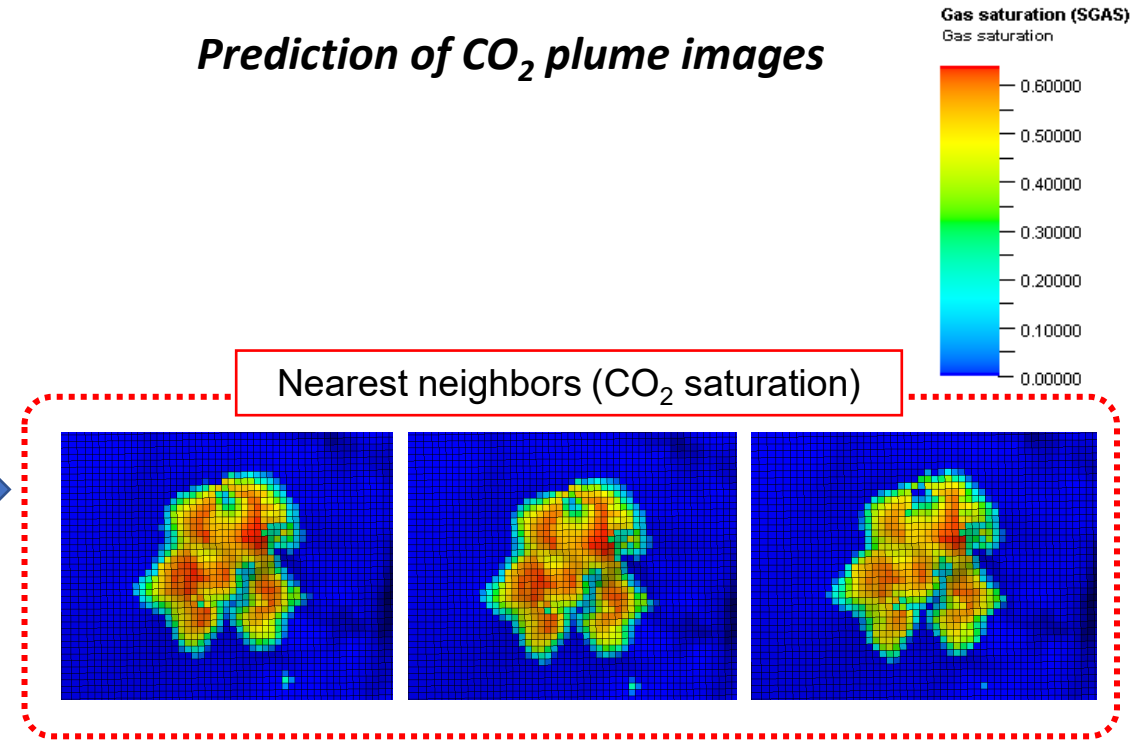


# Prediction of CO<sub>2</sub> Plume Images

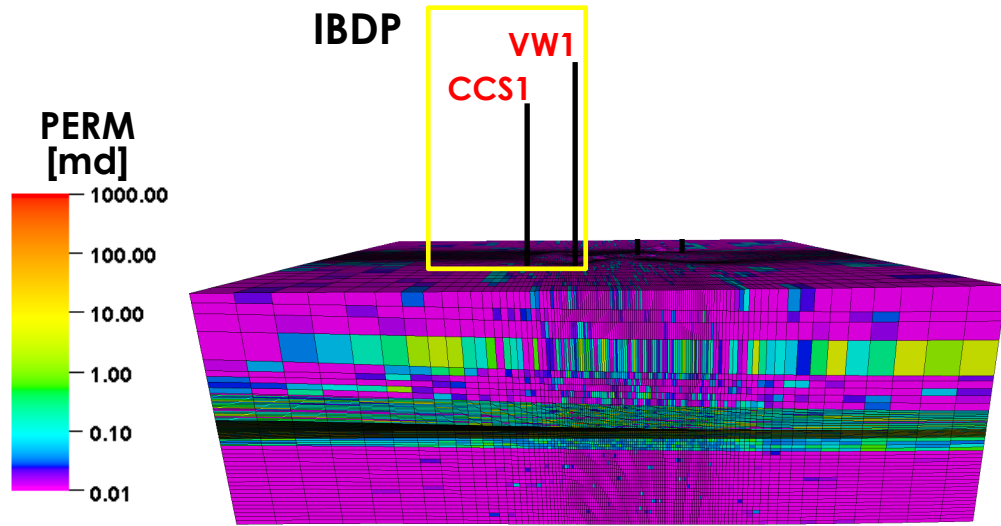
## Model identification using DTOF map (History Matching)



## Prediction of CO<sub>2</sub> plume images

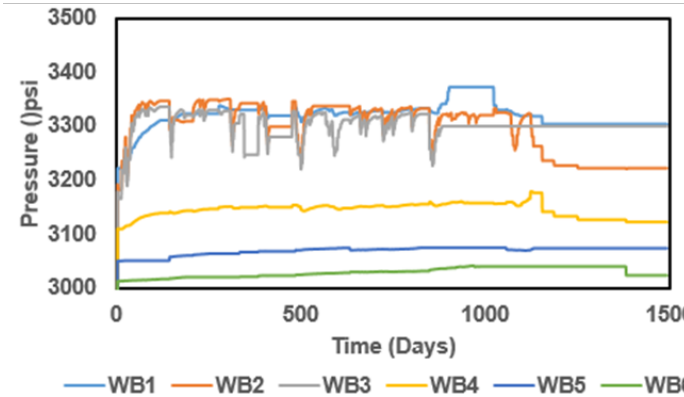


# IBDP Model Description and Data Availability

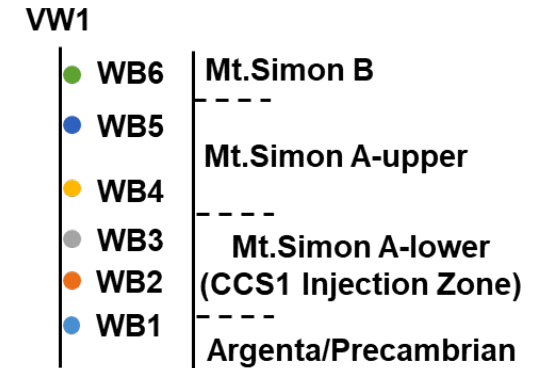


- Grid: 126 \* 125 \* 110 (1.73 Million Cells)
- ECLIPSE Compositional Model (E300)
- Thermal Option
- CO2STORE Module
- Simulation Period: 2011-2015
- Run Time: 12 hours with 32 Cores Parallel run

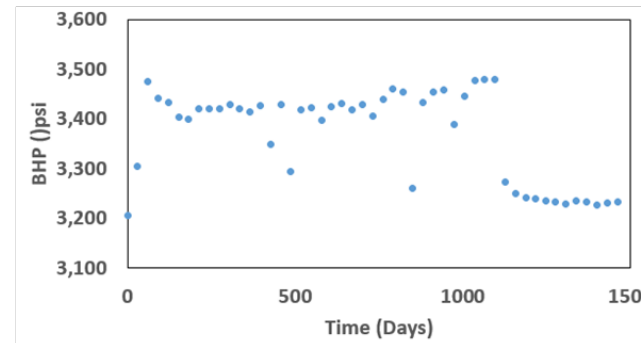
## Observed data



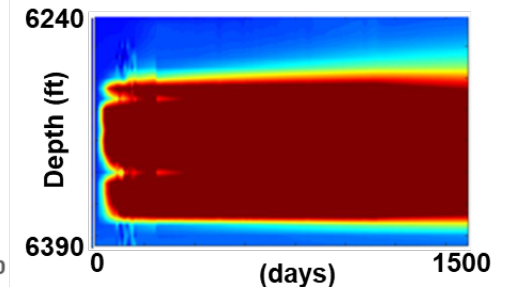
Behind-casing pressure (Monitoring Well)



Location of behind-casing sensors



Bottom hole pressure (Injector)



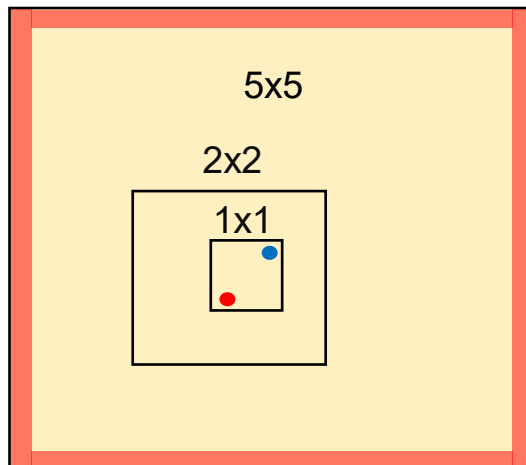
DTS data (Injector)

# Acceleration of Training Data Generation

**Challenge:** Run time for an original simulation is too long (12 hrs with 32 core) and unfeasible for training data generation purpose (500 realizations)

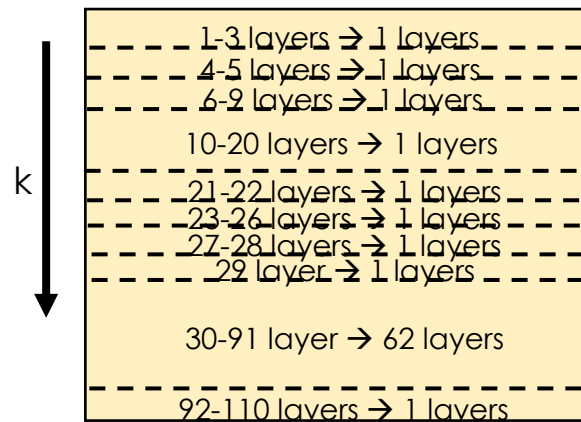
## Upscaling of original model

- Areal Coarsening



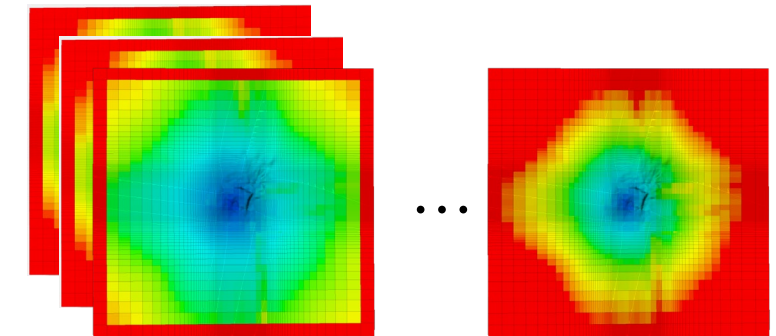
- Boundary grid
- Injection well
- Monitoring well

- Optimal Layering Scheme



Active cell: 1,732,292 → 229,693

## DTOF map generation



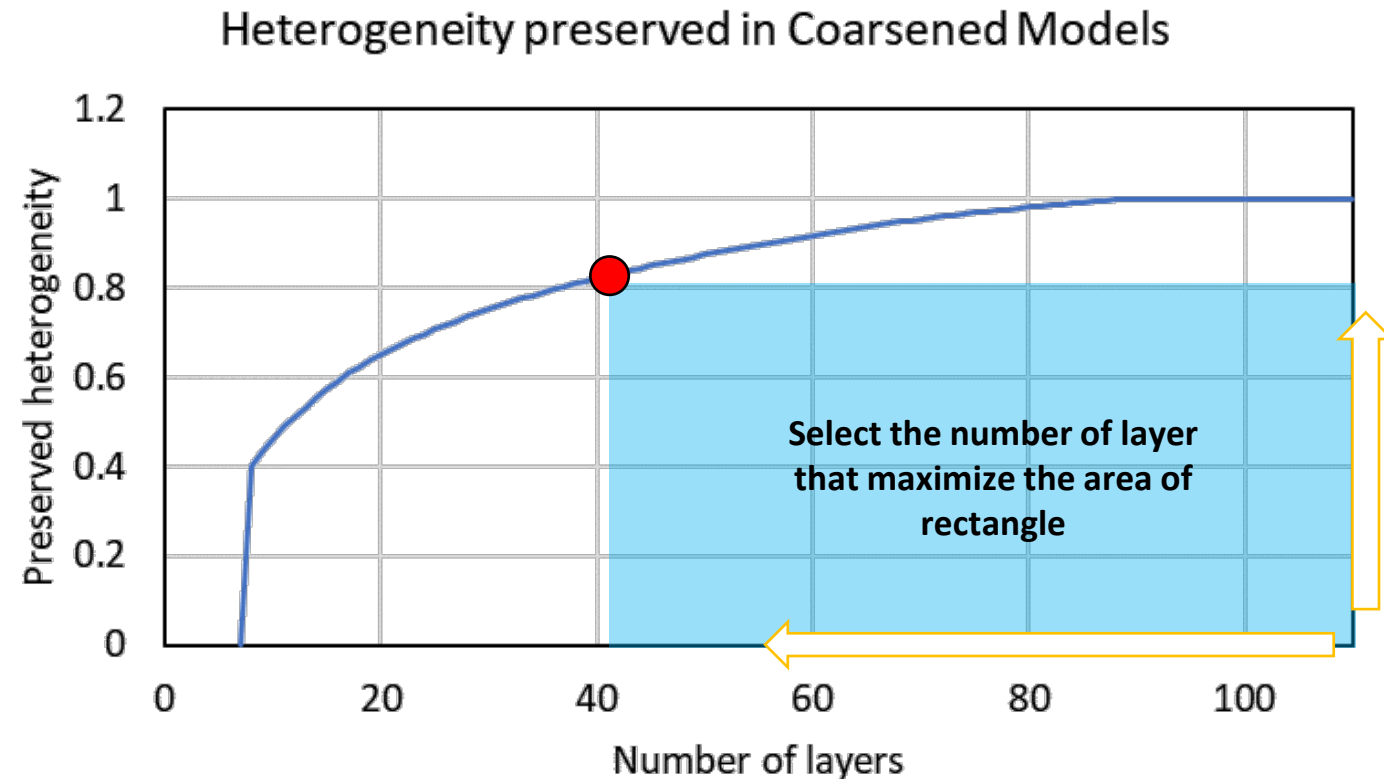
- Generate at initial timestep without reservoir simulations
- Few seconds

Run Time: 12 hrs → 15 mins (32 core)

# Model Coarsening using Bias-Variance Trade-off

## Optimal Layering Scheme Selection

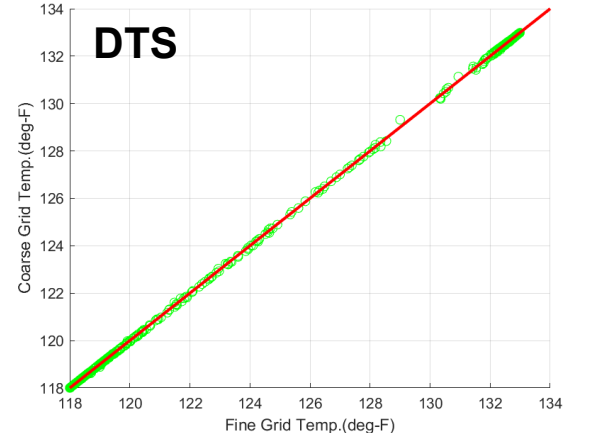
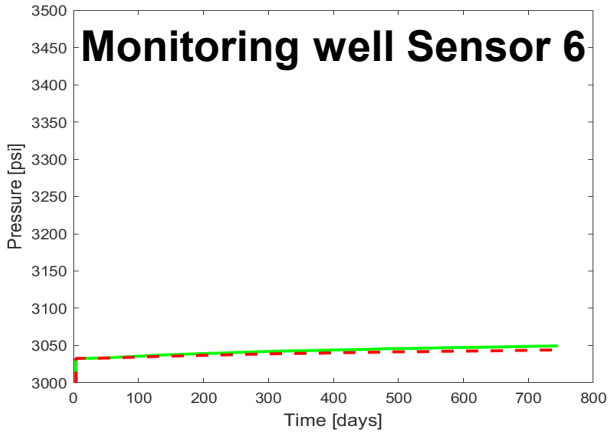
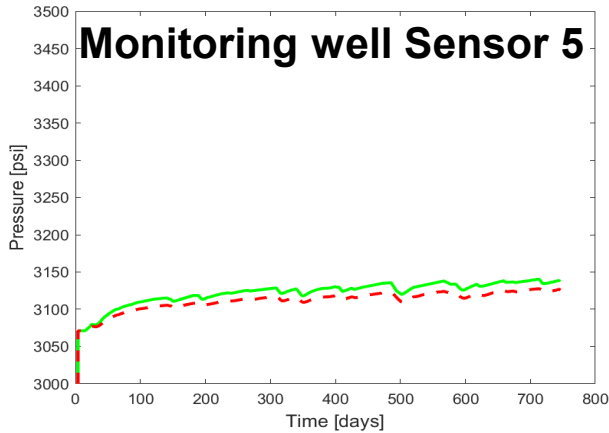
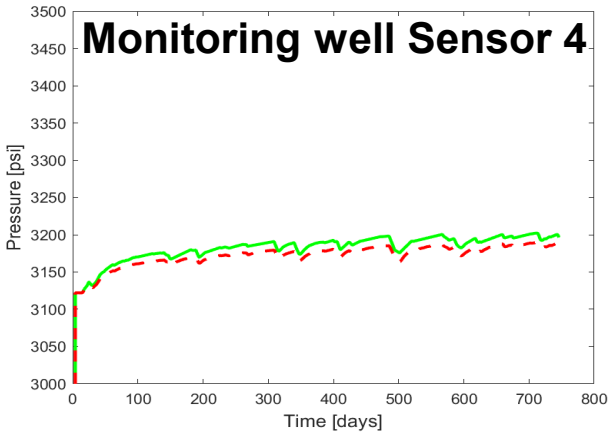
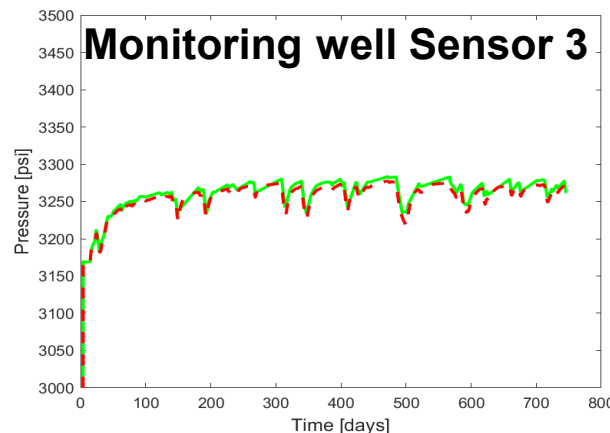
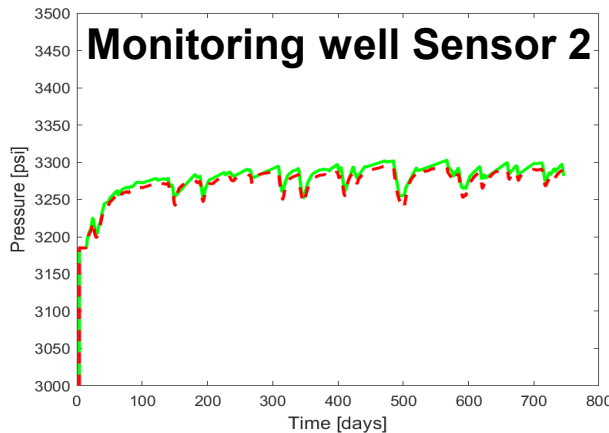
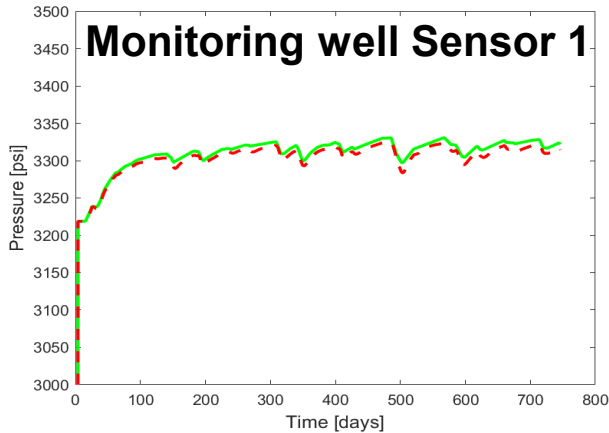
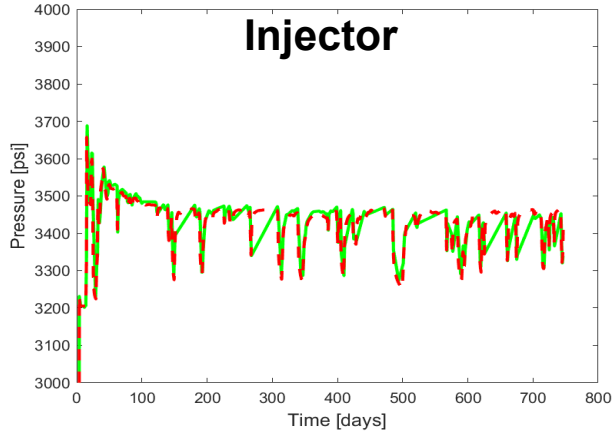
Select the optimal number of layers based on bias-variance trade-off between preserved heterogeneity and number of layers (number of grid cells)



# Well Response of Fine vs. Coarsened Model

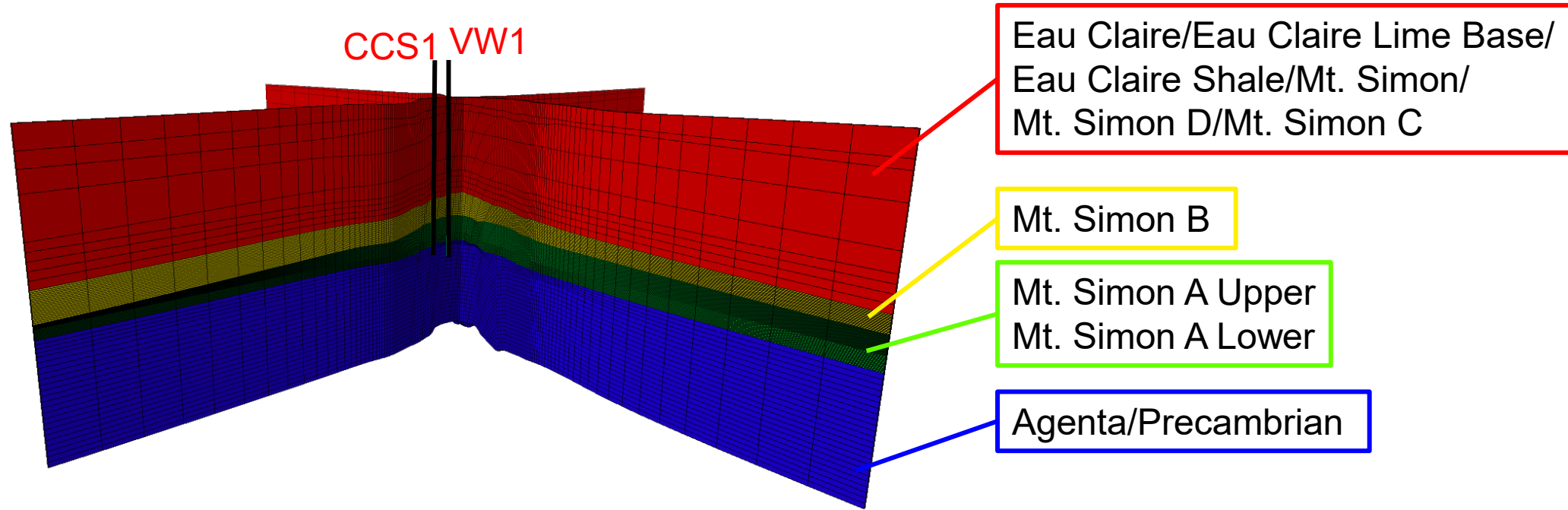
Runtime: 12 hrs → 15 min

— Original    - - - Coarsened



# Parameterization for Training Data Generation

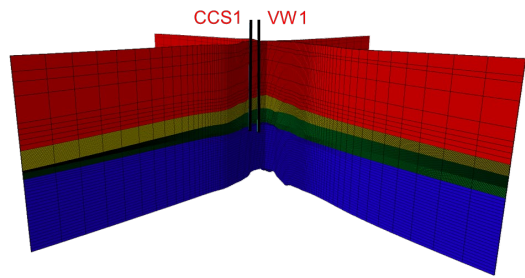
- Region-1
- Region-2
- Region-3
- Region-4



*4 regions are identified based on geologic layers*

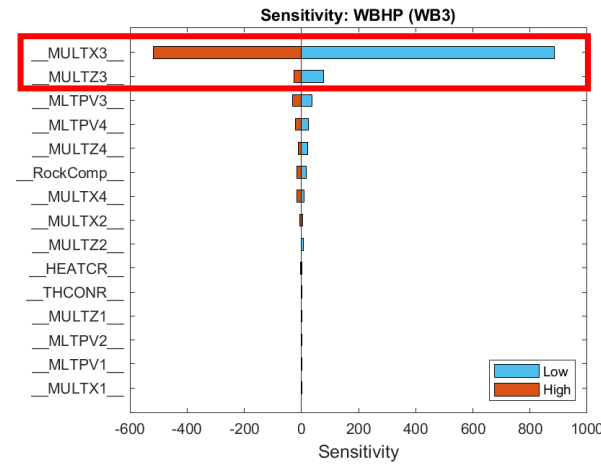
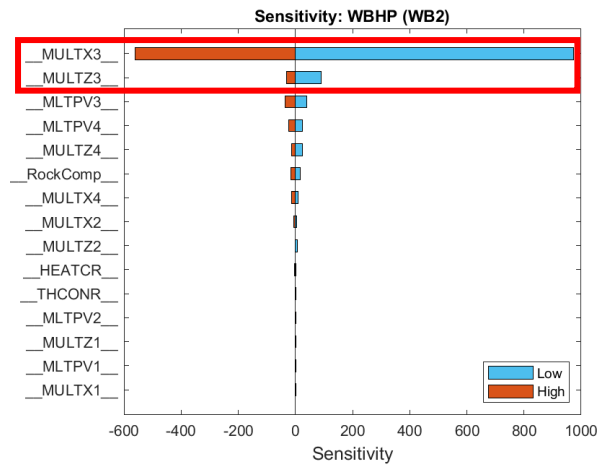
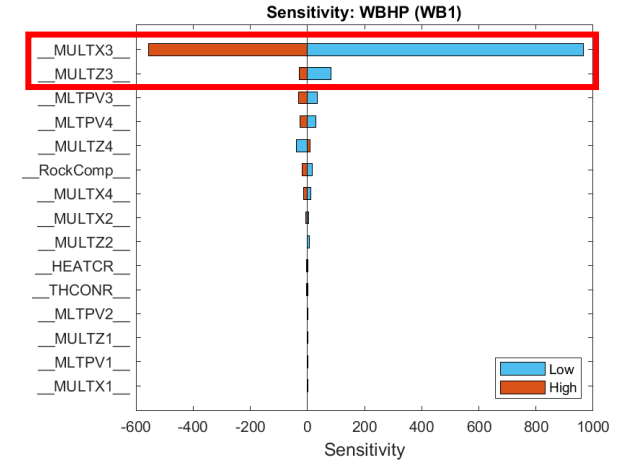
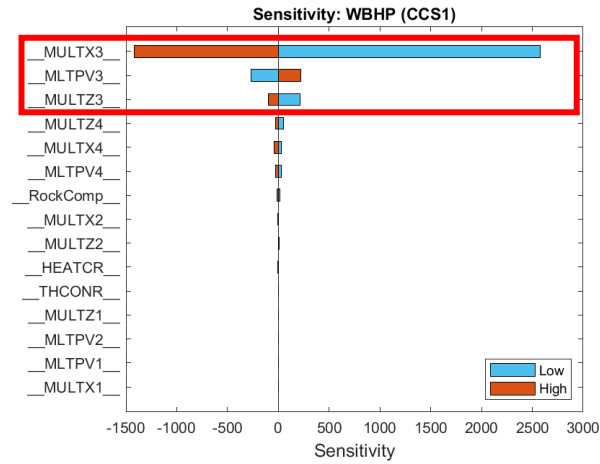
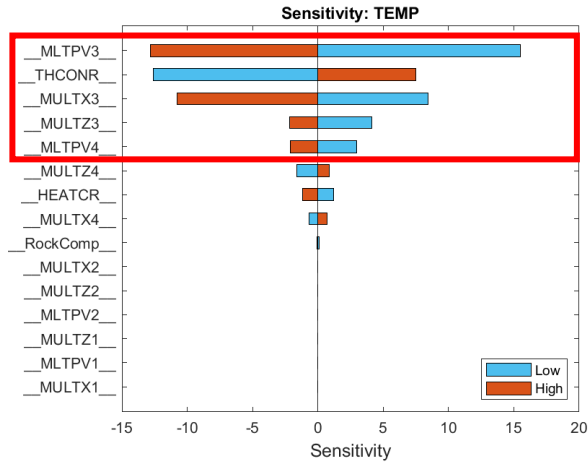


# Sensitivity Analysis for Training Data Generation



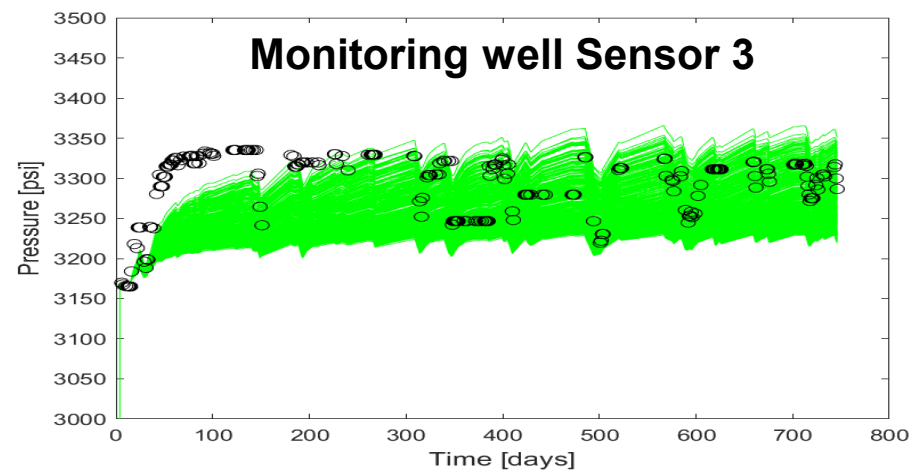
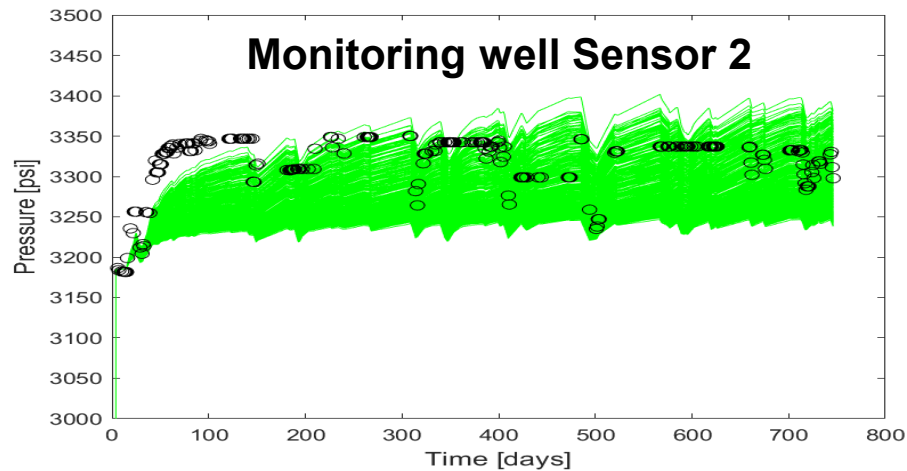
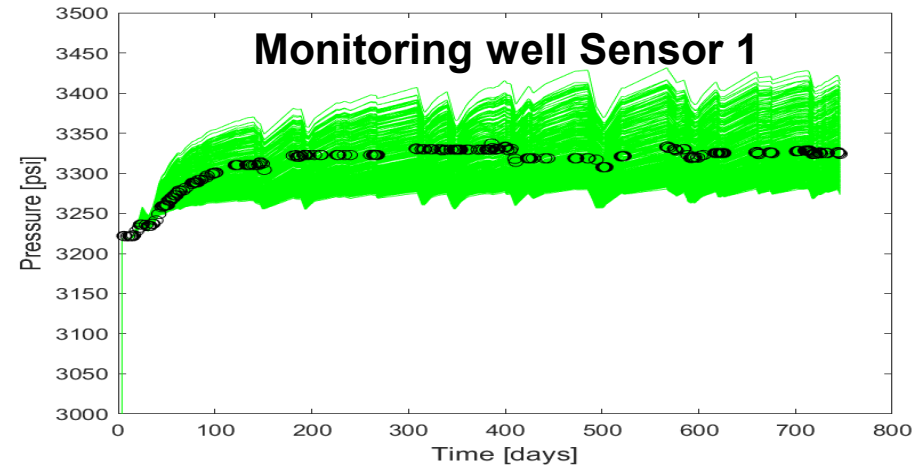
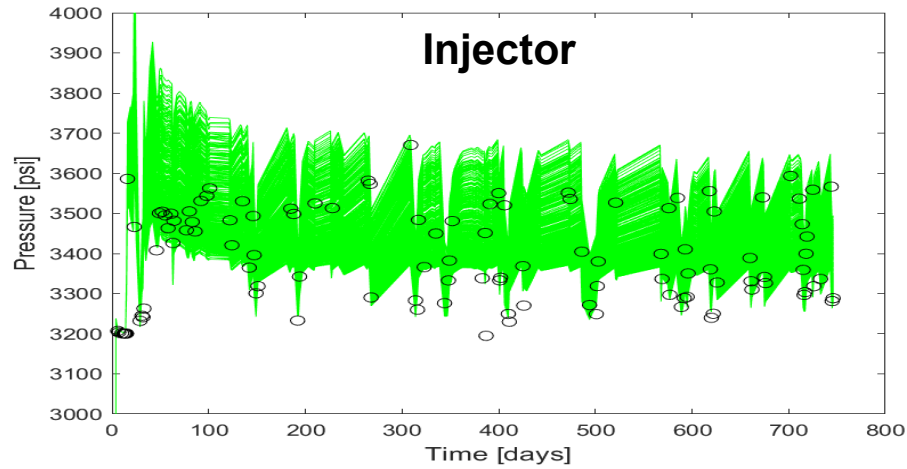
Properties	Parameters	Description	Low	Base	High
Region Pore Volume Multipliers	MLTPV1	Region 1 PV Multiplier	0.7	1.0	1.3
	MLTPV2	Region 2 PV Multiplier	0.7	1.0	1.3
	MLTPV3	Region 3 PV Multiplier	0.7	1.0	1.3
	MLTPV4	Region 4 PV Multiplier	0.7	1.0	1.3
Region TRANX Multipliers	MULTX1	Region 1 TRANX Multiplier	0.5	1.0	2.0
	MULTX2	Region 2 TRANX Multiplier	0.5	1.0	2.0
	MULTX3	Region 3 TRANX Multiplier	0.5	1.0	2.0
	MULTX4	Region 4 TRANX Multiplier	0.5	1.0	2.0
Region TRANZ Multipliers	MULTZ1	Region 1 TRANZ Multiplier	0.1	0.5	1.0
	MULTZ2	Region 2 TRANZ Multiplier	0.1	0.5	1.0
	MULTZ3	Region 3 TRANZ Multiplier	0.1	0.5	1.0
	MULTZ4	Region 4 TRANZ Multiplier	0.1	0.5	1.0
Rock Compressibility	ROCK	Rock Compressibility	2.7E-6	3.2E-6	3.7E-6
Rock Heat Capacity	HEATCR	Rock volumetric heat capacity	0.3	0.5	0.7
Thermal Conductivity	THCONR	Combined rock and fluid thermal conductivity	1.0	2.0	3.0

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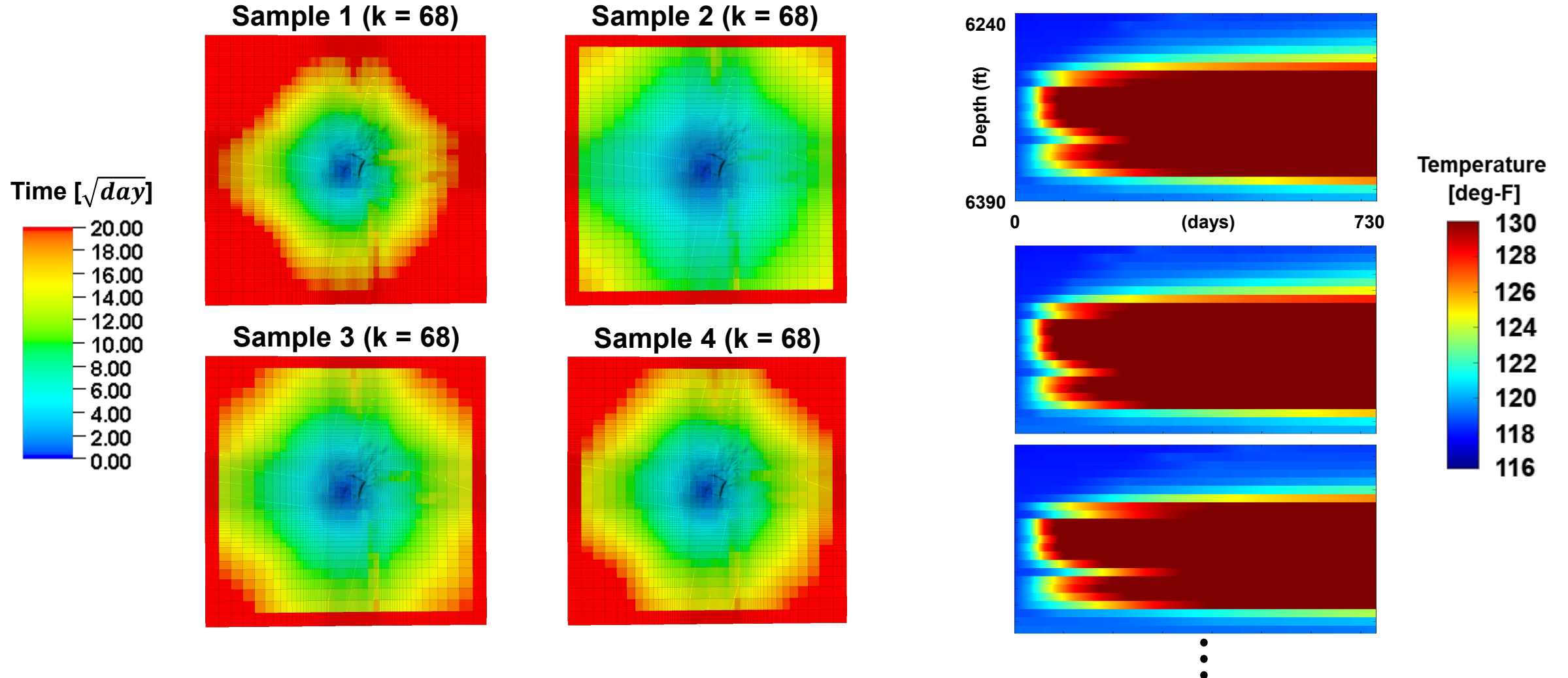


Selected Parameters: MLTPV3, MULTX3, MULTZ3, MLTPV4, THCON

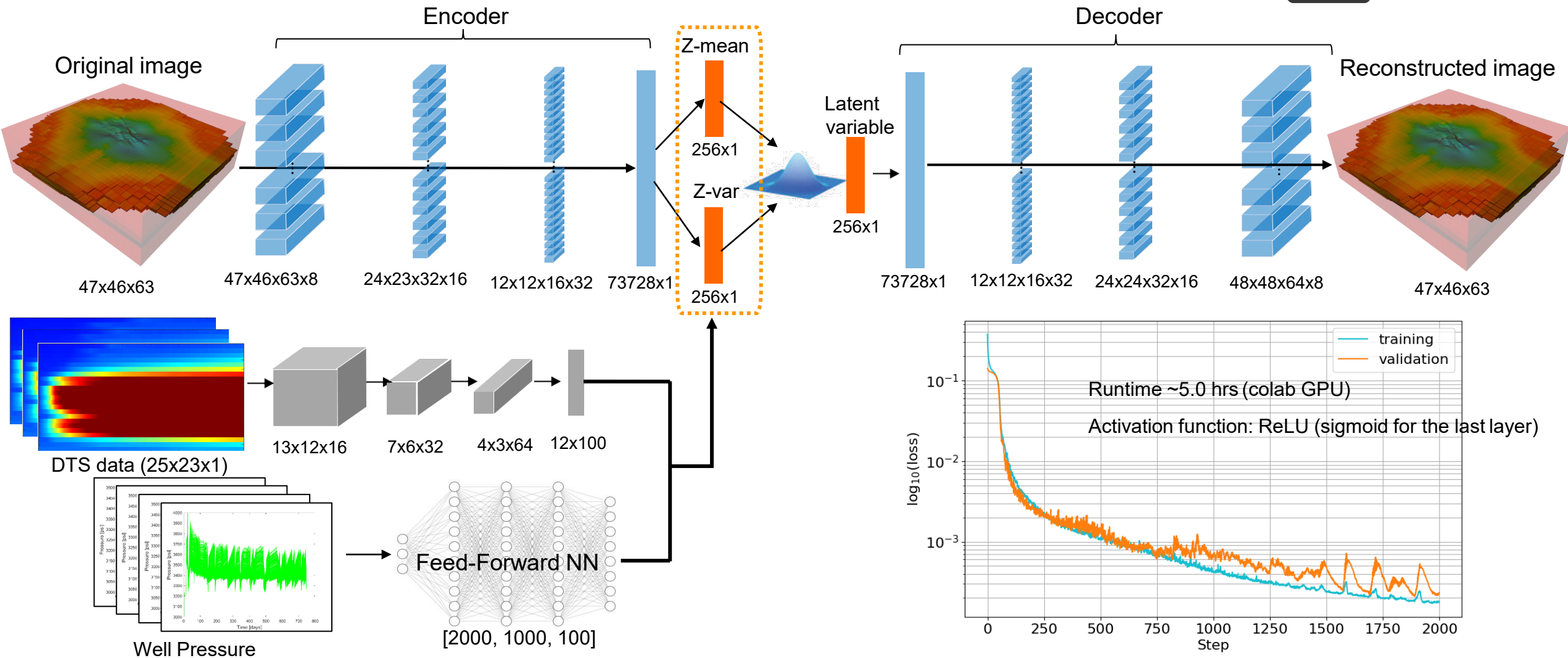
# Training Data Generation: Pressure Responses



# Training Data Generation: DTOF Images and DTS

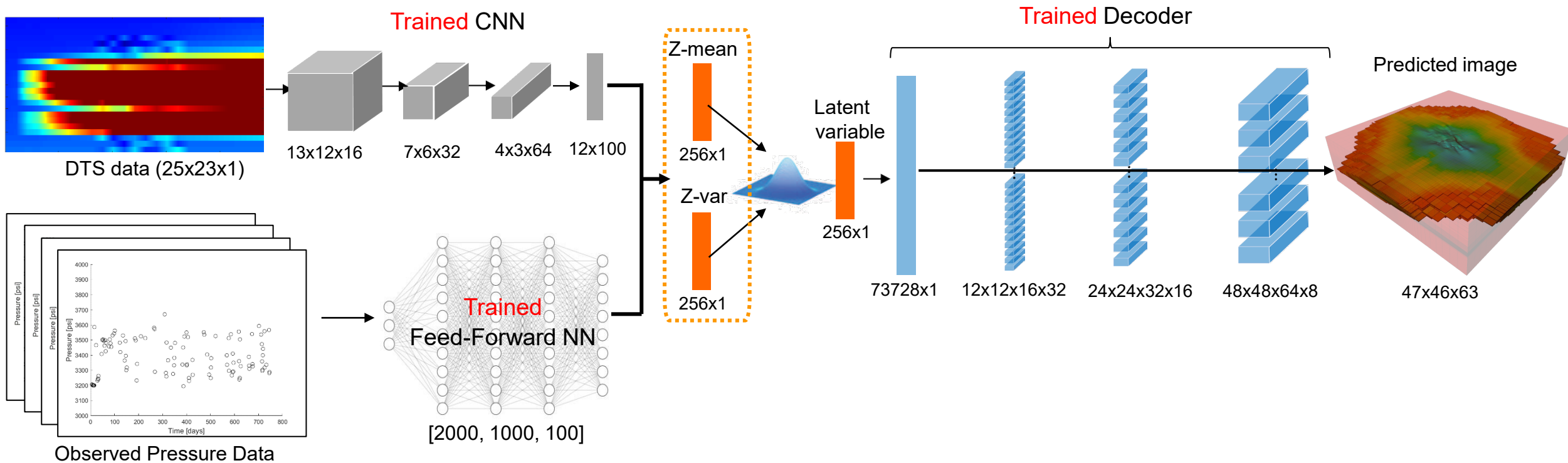


# Neural Network Architecture and Training

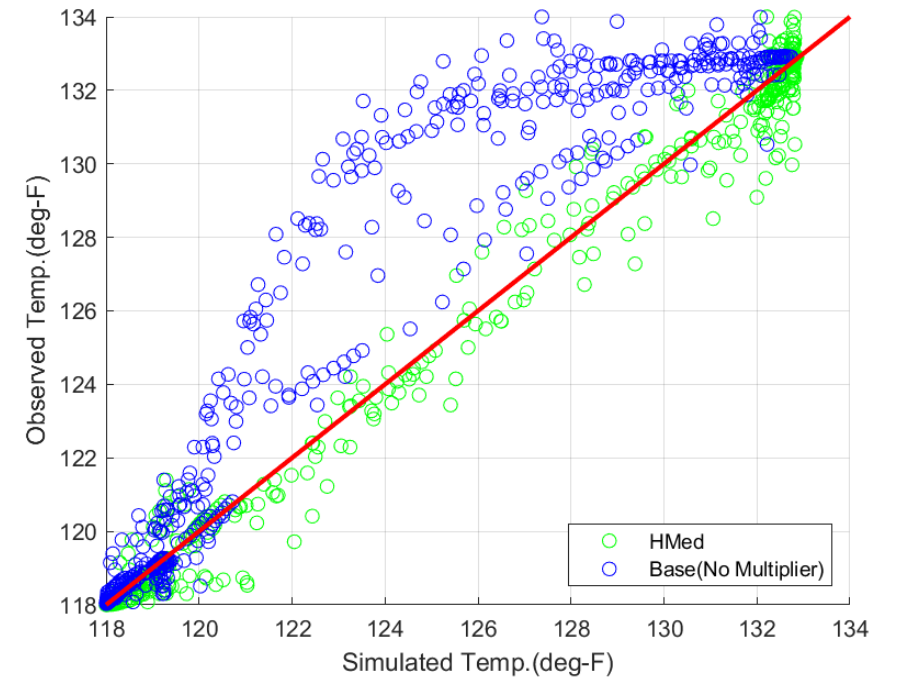
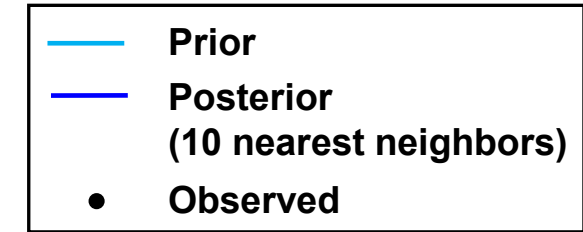
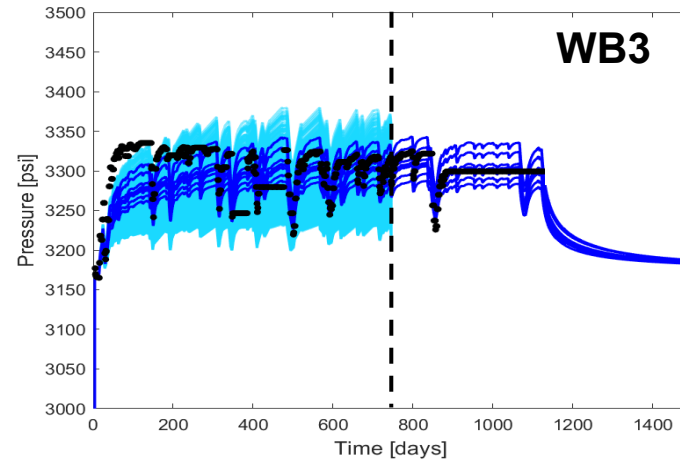
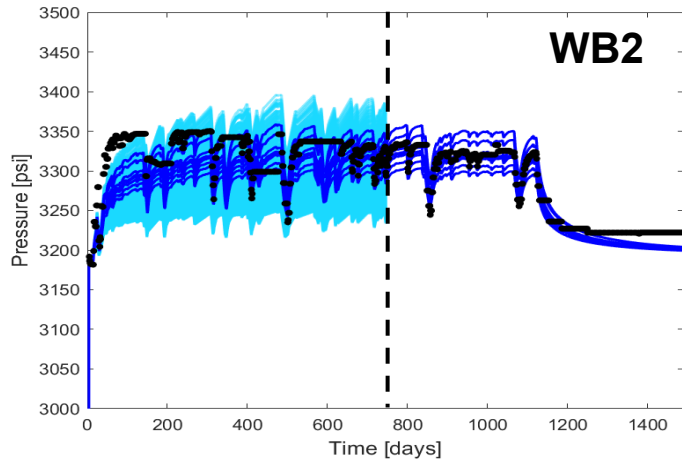
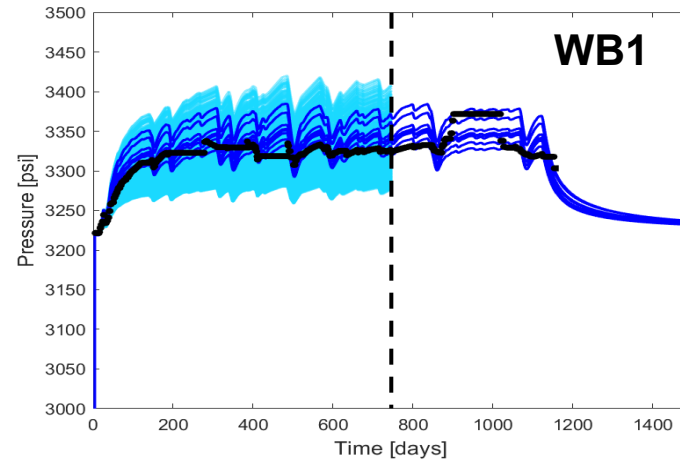
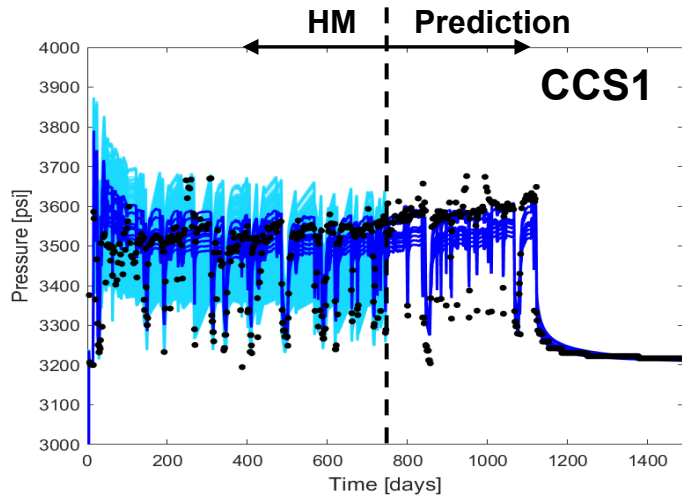


# Neural Network Architecture: Prediction

- Input the pressure responses of injection well/monitoring well and DTS at injector and predict the DTOF map

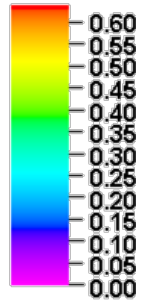


# History Matching Results: Pressure and Temperature Response



# CO2 Plume Evolution of Calibrated Models

Gas Saturation

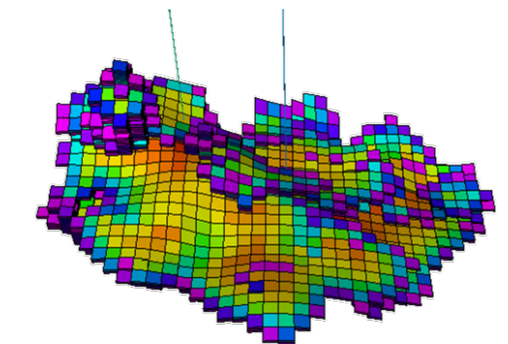
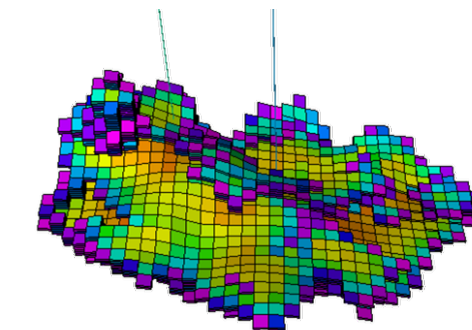
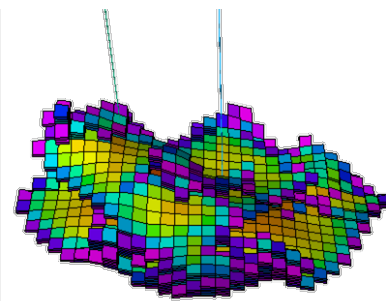
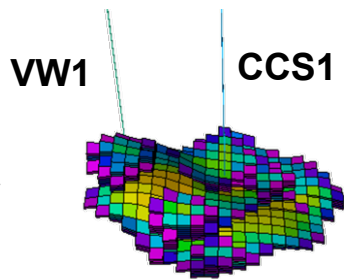
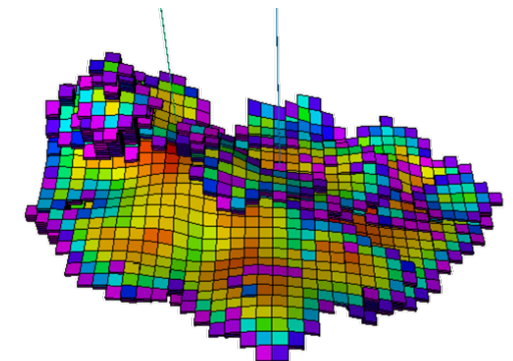
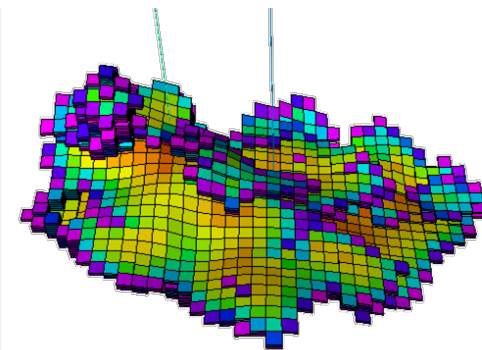
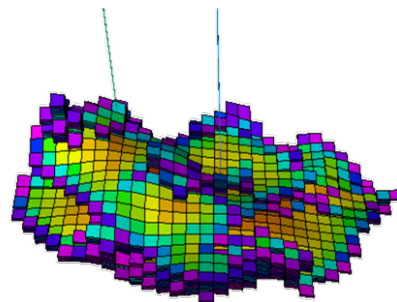
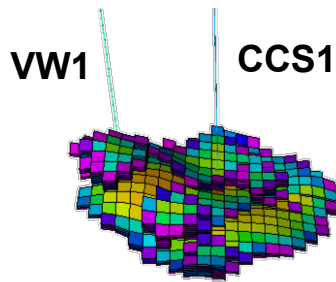


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Post-Injection





# Summary: Challenges, Gaps and Opportunities

- Proposed ML assisted workflow and application to the IBDP site shows promising results with orders of magnitude speed up
- Incorporated thermal effects to integrate DTS data
- Utilized DTOF maps to further reduce computational time and facilitate real-time decision making
- Key Development Challenges and Gaps
  - Incorporation of additional physics: geo-mechanical effects to study potential induced seismicity
  - Use of reduced physics models to speed up training
- New Opportunities
  - Leverage Oil Industry Experience: Fast Marching Method for Coupled Flow, Streamlines for visualization, Storage/CO<sub>2</sub> Sweep Optimization via Rate control

# Questions?



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