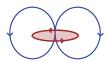
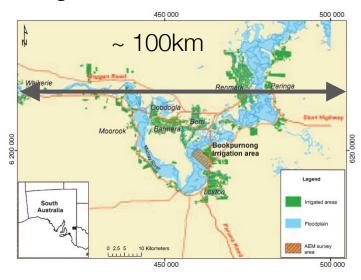
# **EM: Inductive Sources**





# Motivation

### Large areas to be covered



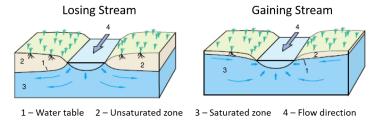
### Rugged terrain



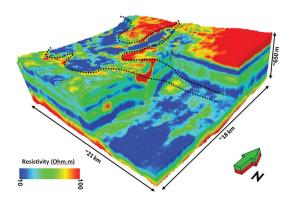
### Minerals



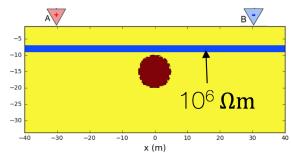
### Groundwater



### High resolution near surface



### Shielding problem



# Outline

### Setup

- Basic experiment
- Transmitters, Receivers

### Time Domain EM

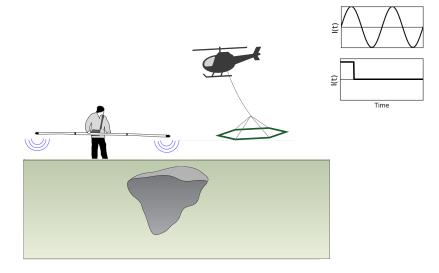
- Vertical Magnetic Dipole
- Propagation with Time
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### Frequency Domain EM

- Vertical Magnetic Dipole
- Effects of Frequency
- Case History Groundwater

# Important questions

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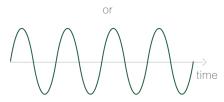
# Basic Experiment

# or time

waveform

### Transmitter:

Produces a primary magnetic field



### Exciting the target:

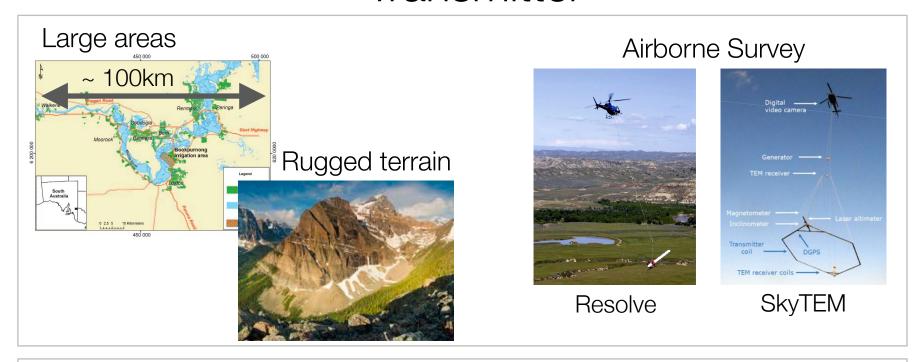
- Time varying magnetic fields generate electric fields everywhere
- Producing currents in conductors

# Secondary Magnetic Field Primary Magnetic Field Induced Currents

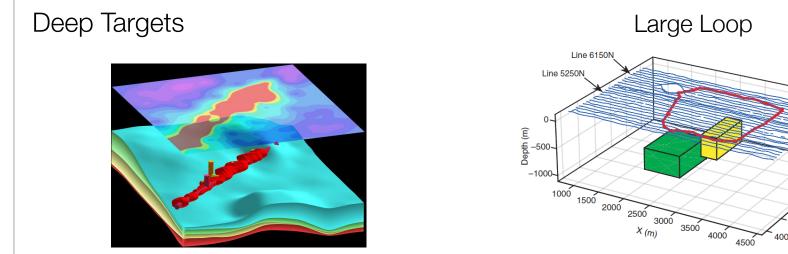
### Receiver:

Induced currents produce secondary magnetic fields

# Transmitter

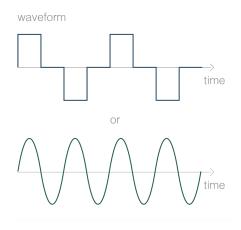


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# **Transmitter**

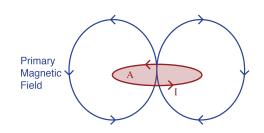
Time or frequency?



Key factor is moment

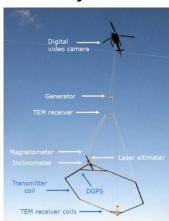
m = I (current) A (area) N (# of turns)

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left( \frac{3\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{r})}{|\mathbf{r}|^5} - \frac{\mathbf{m}}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} \right)$$



### Airborne Survey

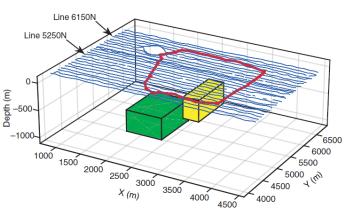




Resolve

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### Large Loop

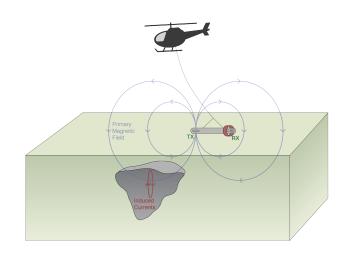


# Exciting the target

Primary field from a loop

 $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left( \frac{3\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{r})}{|\mathbf{r}|^5} - \frac{\mathbf{m}}{|\mathbf{r}|^3} \right)$ 

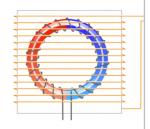
- Fields fall off
  - 1/r³ geometric decay
  - Attenuation
- Want to be as close as possible to target
  - Ground based systems
  - Helicopter
  - Fixed wing aircraft
- Always concerned about coupling



### Receiver and Data

### Magnetometer

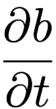
- Measures:
  - Magnetic field
  - 3 components
- eg. 3-component fluxgate

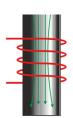


Fluxgate

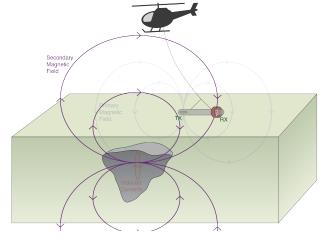
### Coil

- Measures:
  - Voltage
  - Single component that depends on coil orientation
    - Coupling matters
- eg. airborne frequency domain.
  - ratio of Hs/Hp is the same as Vs/Vp



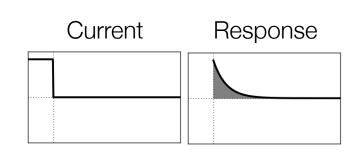


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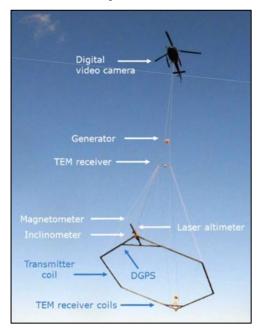


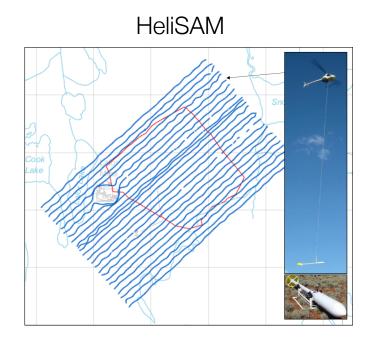
## Receiver: Time Domain

- Primary field has off-time
- Measure secondary fields
- Receivers can be mounted on transmitter loop or above it



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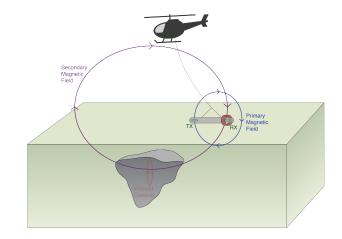


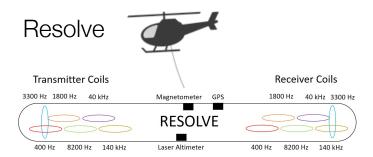
# Receiver: Frequency Domain

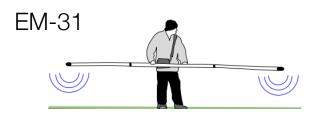
- Primary field
  - always "on"
  - large compared to secondary fields
- Primary removal
  - Compute and subtract
  - Bucking coil



- Main requirement:
  - Know positions of Tx and Rx
  - Keep them in one unit

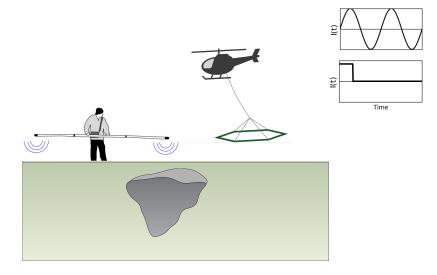






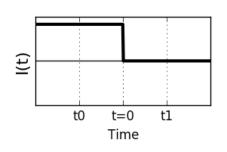
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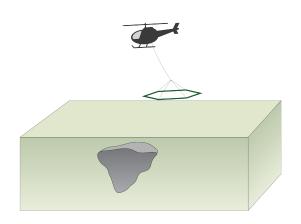
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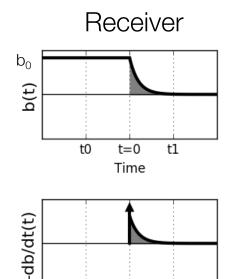


# EM with Inductive Sources: Time Domain

### Transmitter current







t0

t1

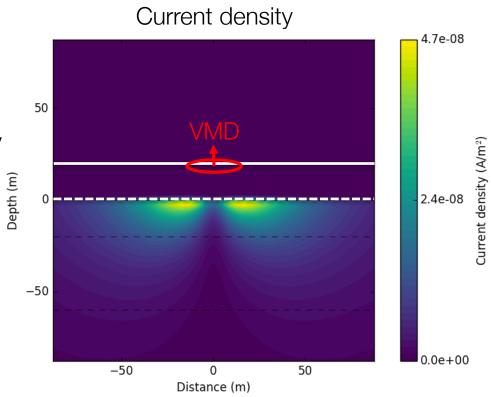
t=0 Time

time	b	${ m db/dt}$
t < 0	$b_0$	0
t = 0	$b_0$	$-b_0\delta(t)$
t > 0	secondary	secondary

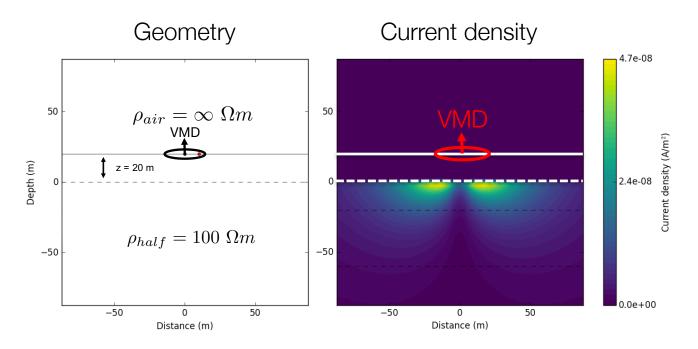
 $\delta(t)$ : Dirac-delta function

# Footprint of Airborne EM system

- What volume of earth is "seen" by the airborne system?
  - Where are the currents?
- Currents depend on
  - Transmitter
  - Waveform: time or frequency
  - Background conductivity
- Simple case: loop source over homogeneous earth



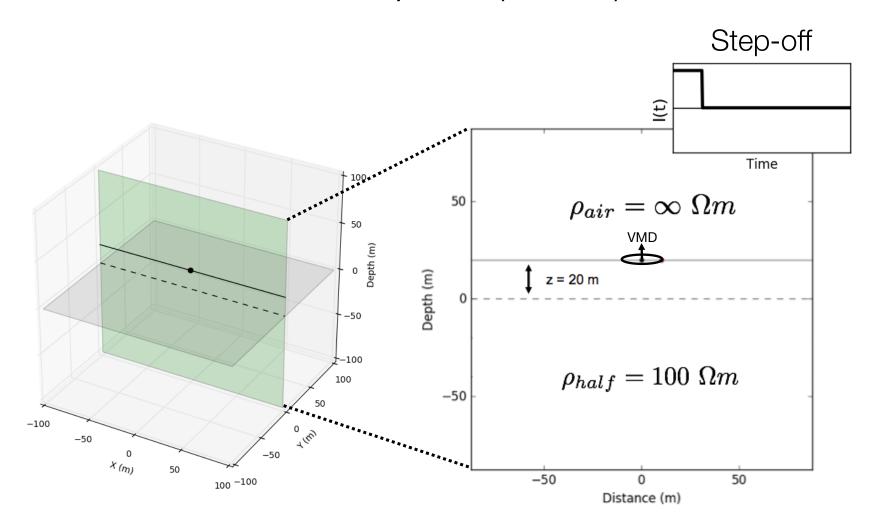
# Vertical Magnetic Dipole (VMD)



### Some questions

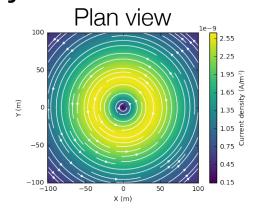
- Where, and how strong, are the currents?
- How do they depend upon the conductivity?
- What do the resulting magnetic fields look like?

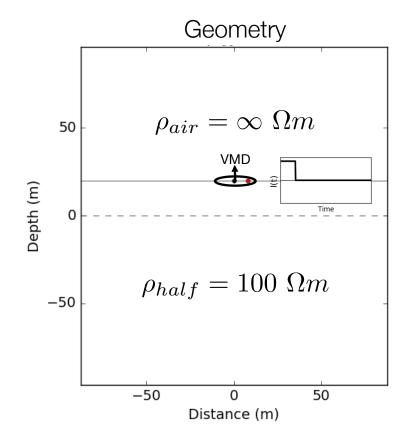
# Vertical Magnetic Dipole over a halfspace (TDEM)

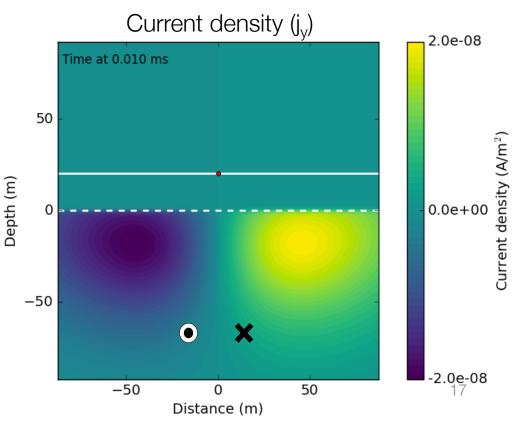


# **Current Density**

• Time: 0.01ms

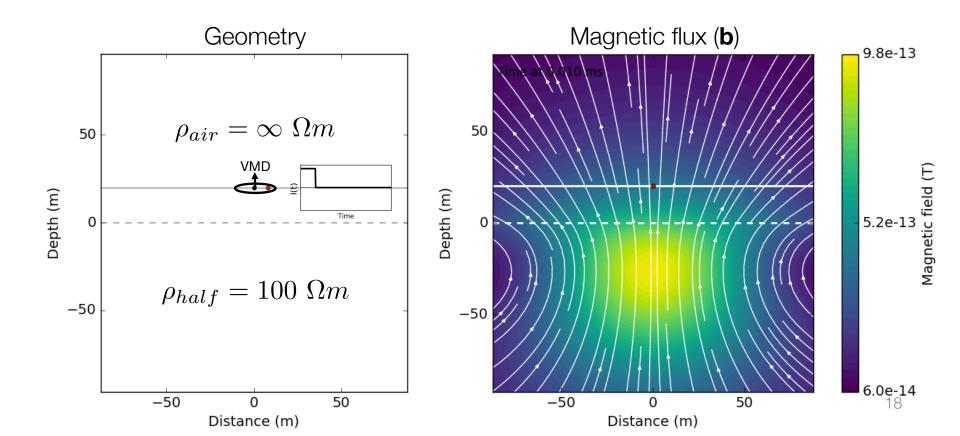






# Magnetic flux density

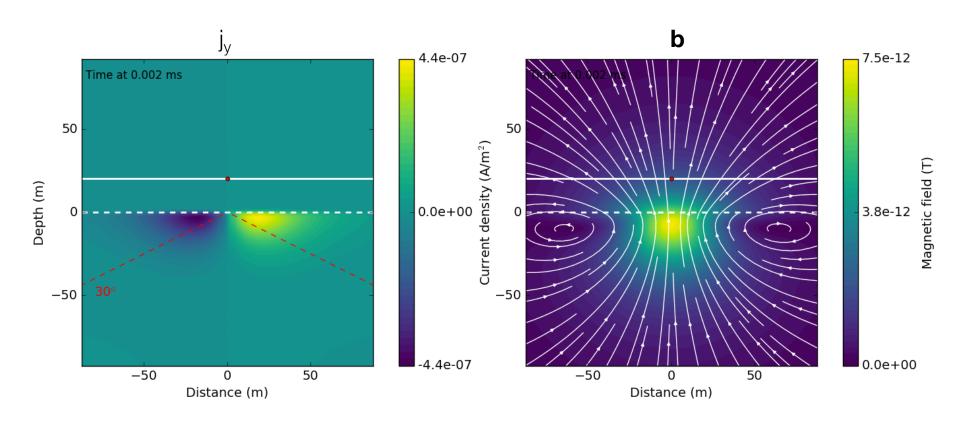
• Time: 0.01ms



• Time: 0.002ms

$$d = 1260\sqrt{t\rho}$$

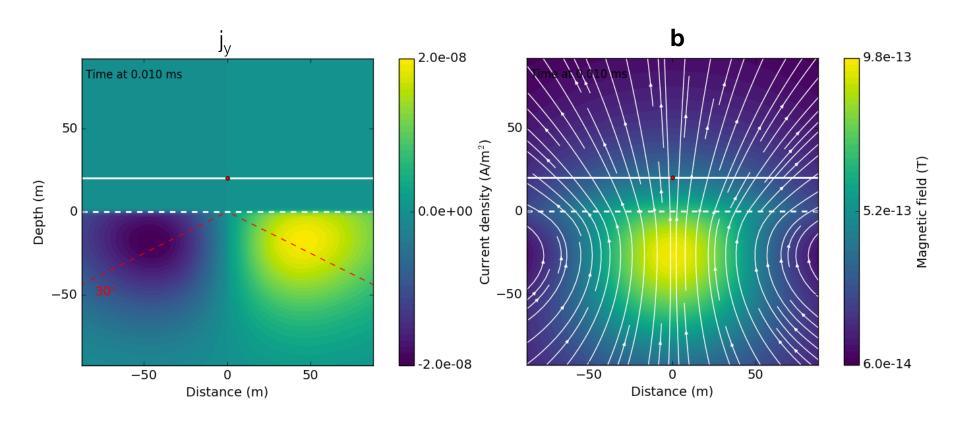
• diffusion distance = 18 m



• Time: 0.01ms

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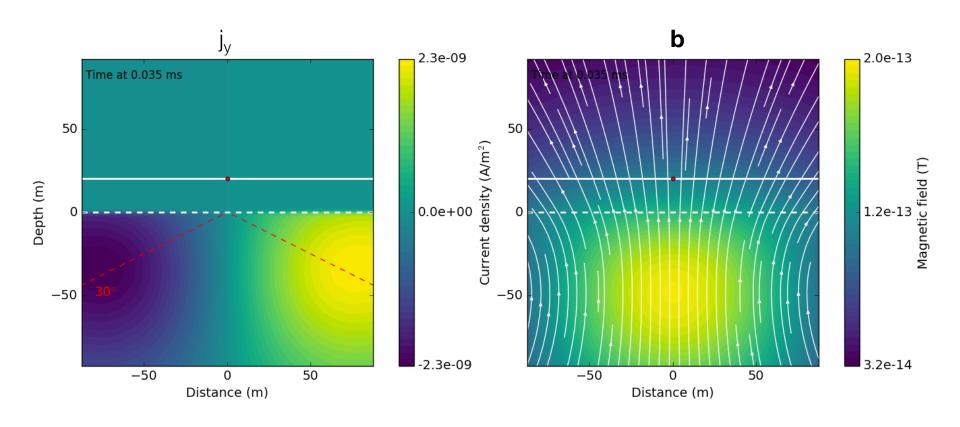
• diffusion distance = 38 m



• Time: 0.035ms

$$d = 1260\sqrt{t\rho}$$

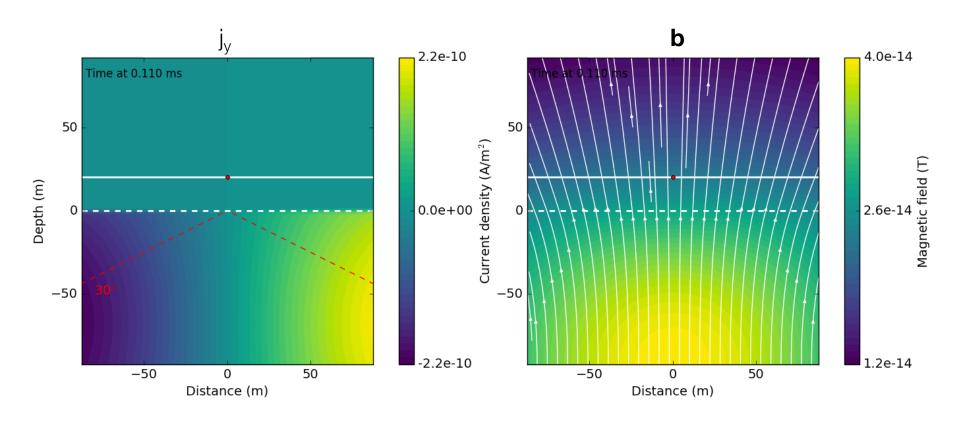
diffusion distance = 75 m



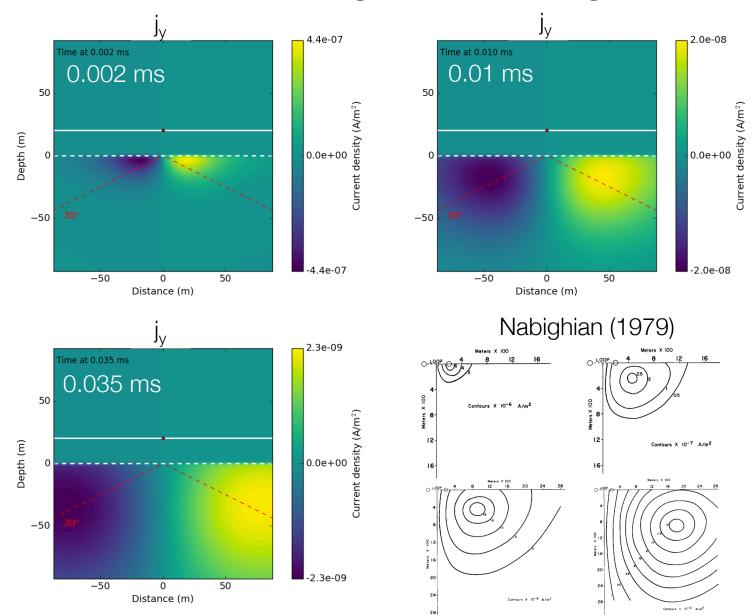
• Time: 0.110ms

$$d = 1260\sqrt{t\rho}$$

• diffusion distance = 132 m

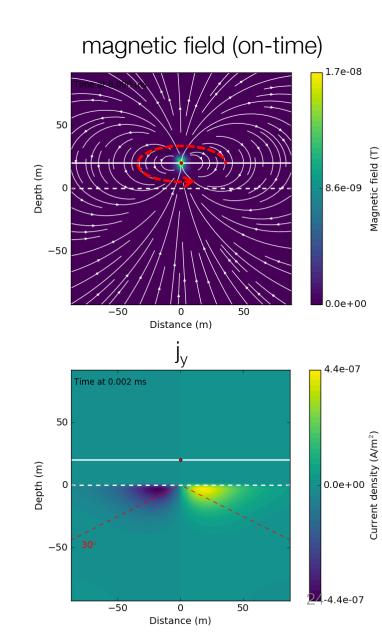


# Summary: propagation through time



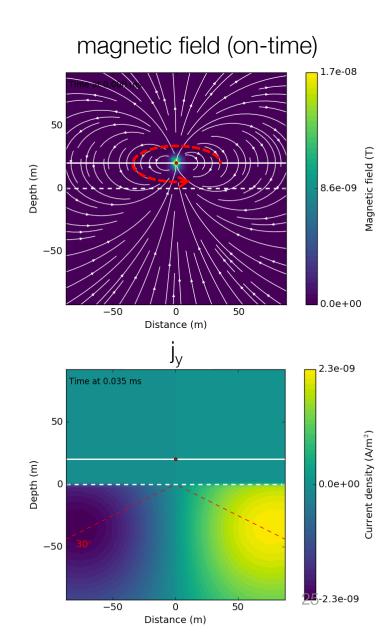
# Important points

- Currents flow in same plane as transmitter currents
- Currents diffuse outward downward
- Each transmitter has a "footprint"
- Max resolution controlled by earliest time
- Depth of investigation controlled by latest time



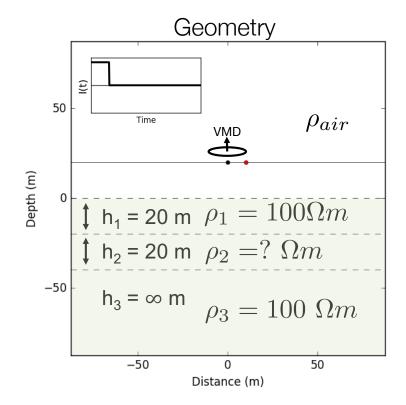
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# Layered earth

- 3 layers + air,
- $\rho_2$  varies



- Four different cases:
  - Halfspace

$$\rho_2 = 100 \Omega m$$

- Resistive

$$\rho_2 = 1000 \Omega m$$

Conductive

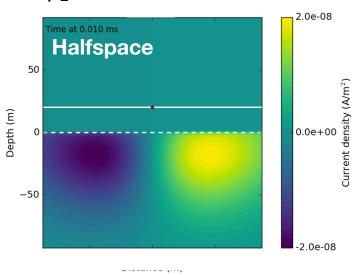
$$\rho_2 = 10 \Omega m$$

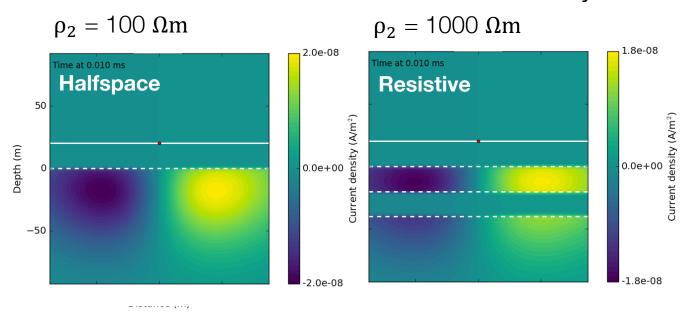
Very conductive

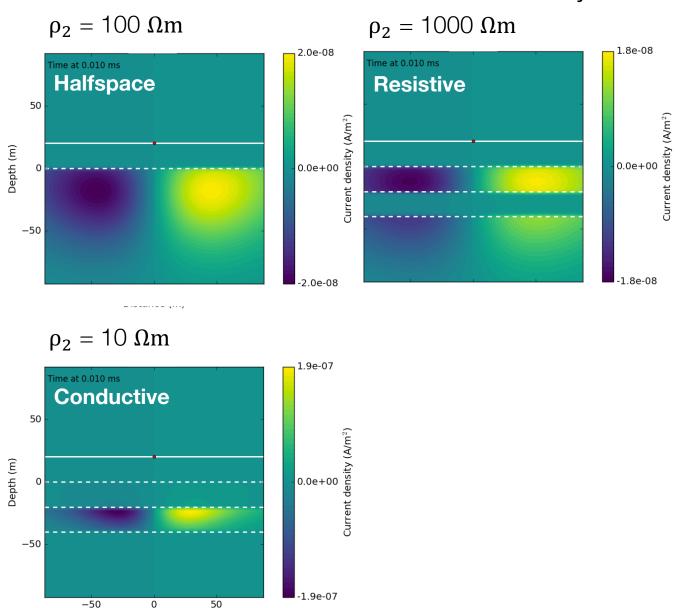
$$\rho_2 = 1 \Omega m$$

- Fields
  - j<sub>y</sub> off-time
  - **b** off-time

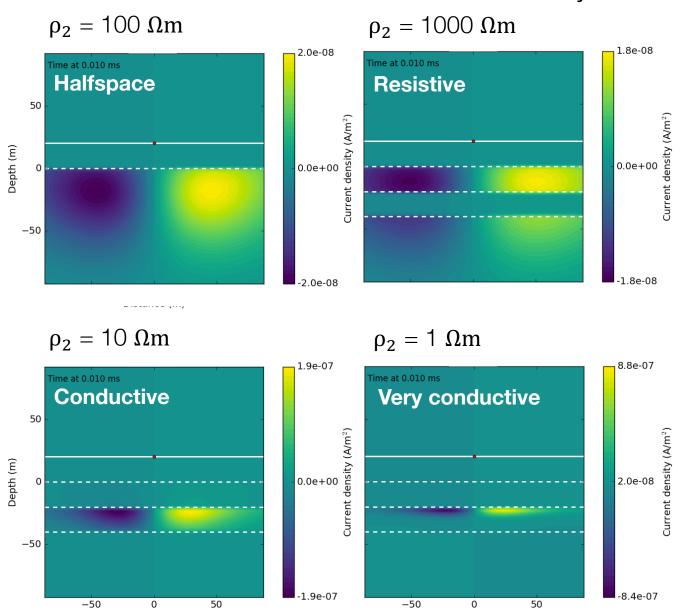
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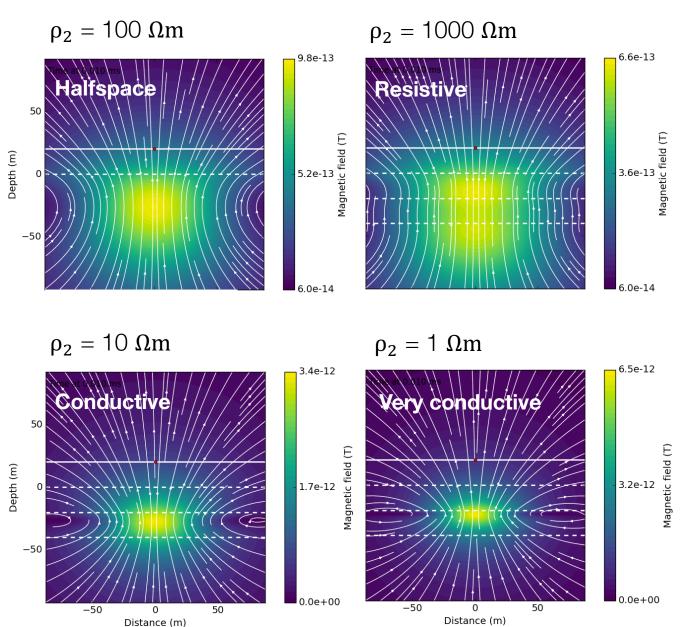
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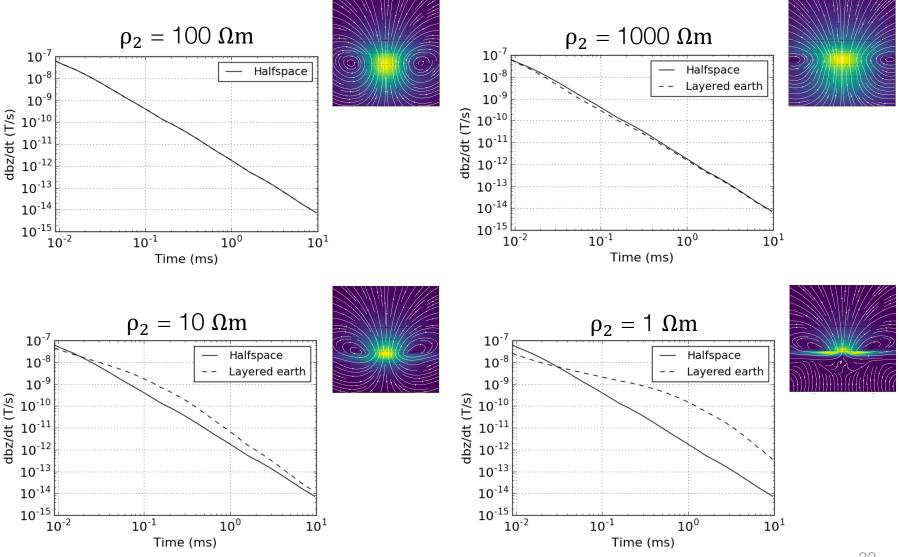
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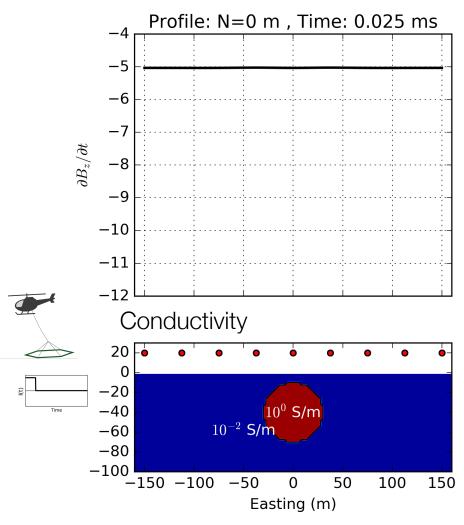
# Layered earth mag. fields (b)



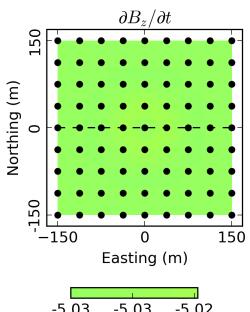
# db<sub>z</sub>/dt sounding curves



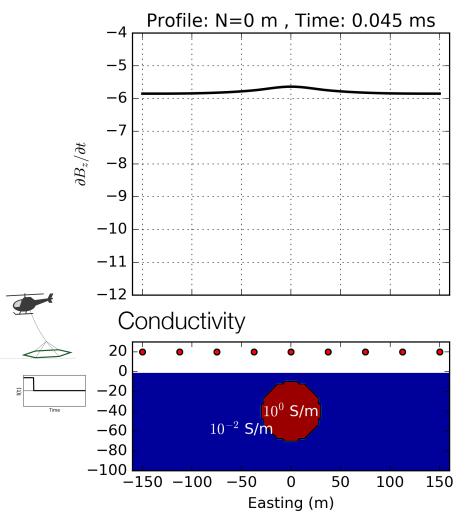




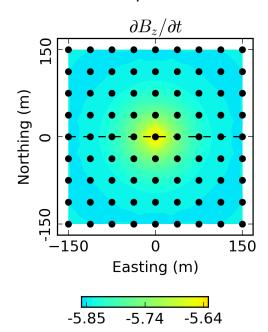
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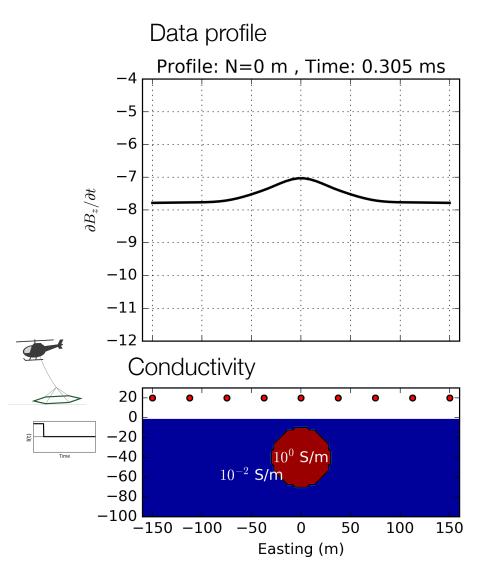


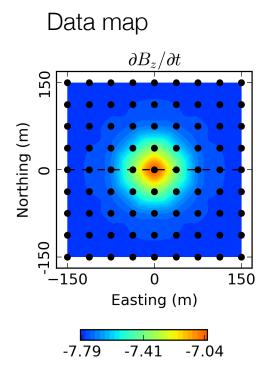


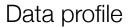


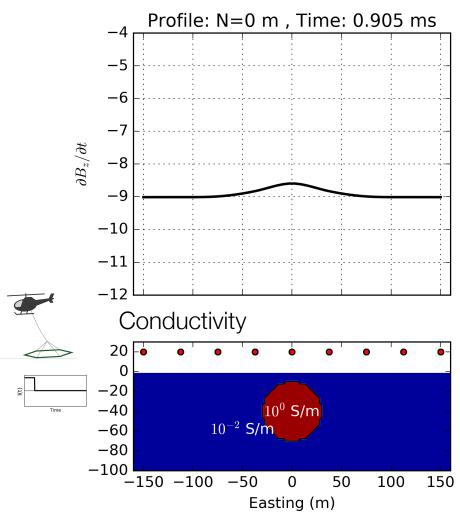
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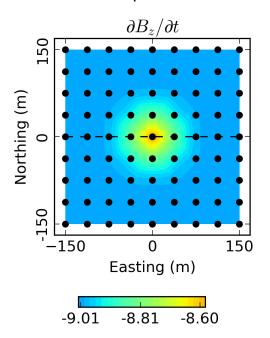




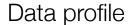


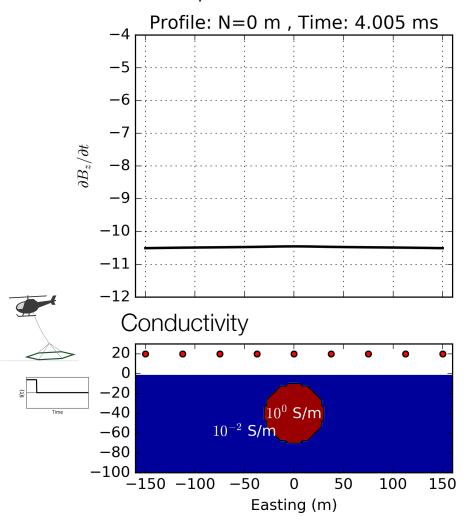


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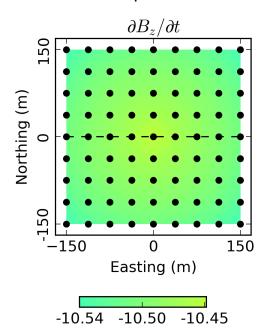


## Airborne example: conductive sphere

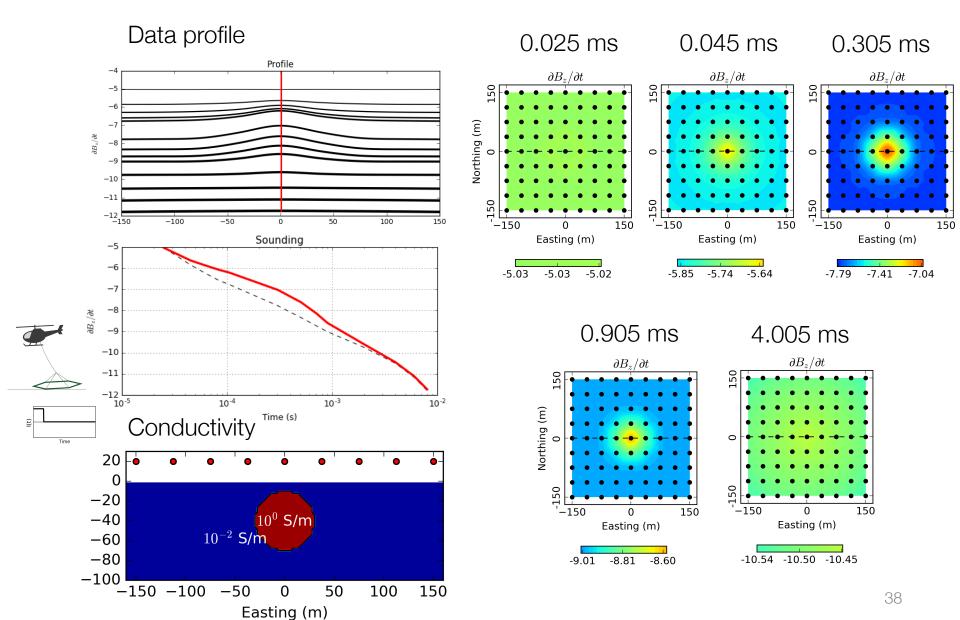




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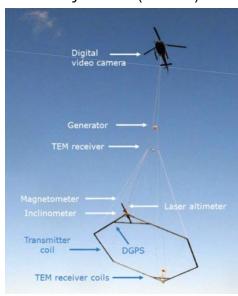


## Summary: airborne example



#### Some Airborne TDEM Systems

#### SkyTEM (2006)



Area =  $314 \text{ m}^2$ 

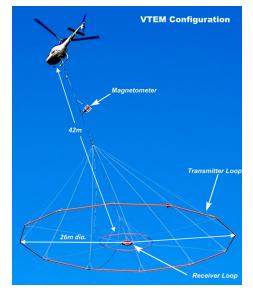
Peak dipole moment:

- HM: 113040 NIA

- LM: 12560 NIA



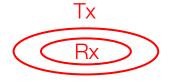
#### VTEM (2007)

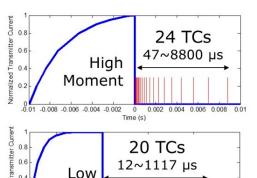


Area =  $535 \text{ m}^2$ 

Peak dipole moment:

- 503,100 NIA





Moment

Peak current: 90 A

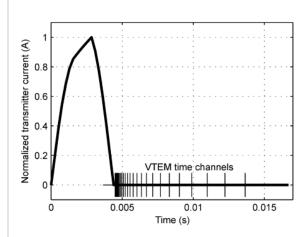
Turns: 4

On-time: 10 ms

Peak current: 40 A

Turns: 1

On-time: 0.8 ms Off-time: 1.45 ms



Peak current: 235 A

Turns: 4

On-time: 4.5 ms Off-time: 9.1 ms

#### Outline

#### Setup

#### Time Domain EM

- Vertical Magnetic Dipole
- Propagation with Time
- Effects of Background Conductivity
- Transmitters and receivers
- Decay Curves
- Case History: Groundwater, Hydrocarbons

Frequency Domain EM

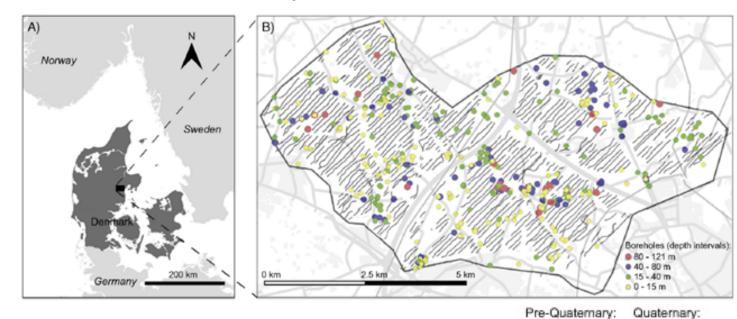
Questions

## Case History: Kasted

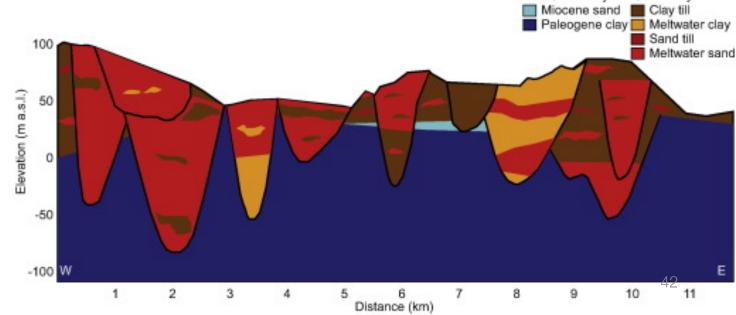
Vilhelmsen et al. (2016)

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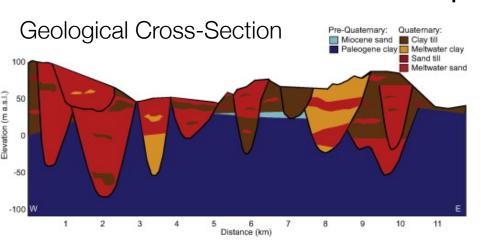
- A) Survey Area: Kasted, Demark
- B) Borehole locations



Local Geology: W-E cross-section



## Properties



Geological Units	Resistivity ( $\Omega m$ )
Palaeogene Clay	1-10
Clay Till	25-60
Sand Till	>50
Meltwater Sand and Gravel	>60
Glaciolacustrine Clay	10-40
Miocene Silt and Sand	>40
Miocene Clay	10-40
Sand	>40
Clay	1-60

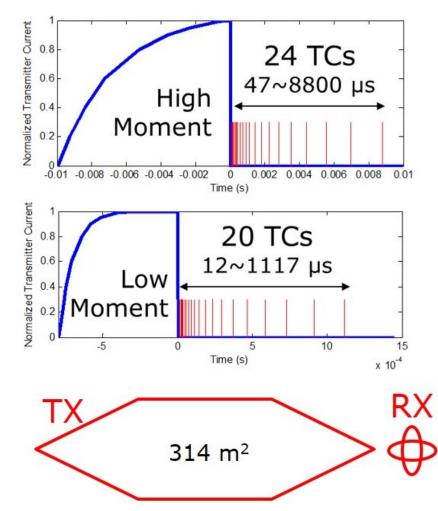
- Buried valleys with clays beneath
- Infill (water-bearing): coarse sand and gravel
- Clays are conductive (1-40 Ωm)
- Water-bearing sands and gravels are more resistive (>40 Ωm)

#### SkyTEM System

# Instruments Transmitter Receiver

## Survey

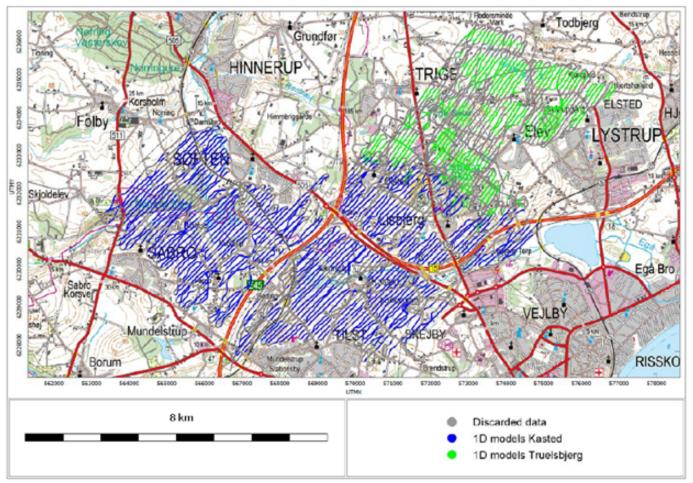
#### System Configuration



- Low moment (LM) used to image near surface structures
- High moment (HM) used to image deeper structures

#### Data

Blue: data used for Kasted study



- 333 line km of data, 100 m line-spacing
- Data points with strong coupling to cultural noise were removed (~30%)

## Processing (inversion)

- Spatially constrained 1D inversion → quasi-3D approach
- 9,500 soundings were inverted using 25 layers

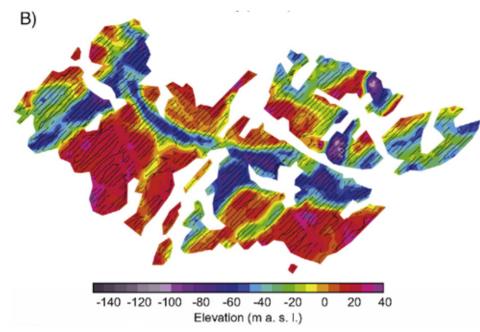
Depth slice 5 m above sea-level

A)

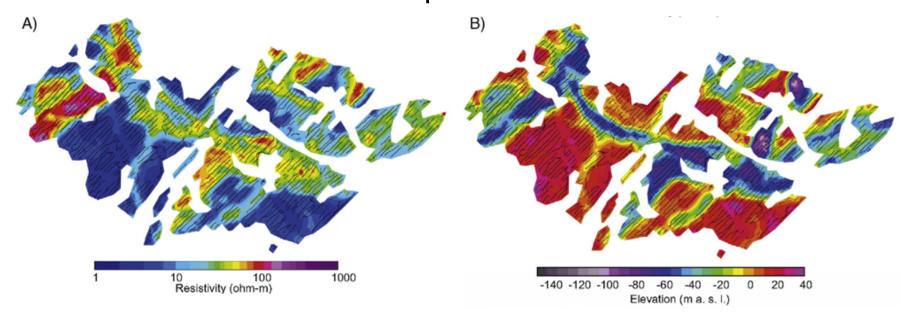
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Resistivity (ohm-m)

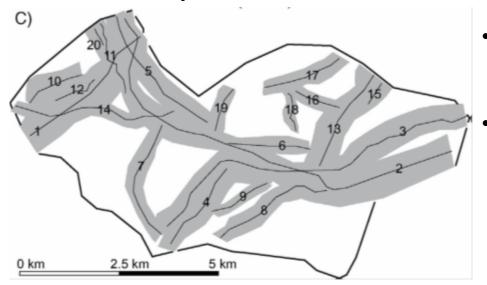
Approximate depth to the top of Paleogene clay layer



#### Interpretation

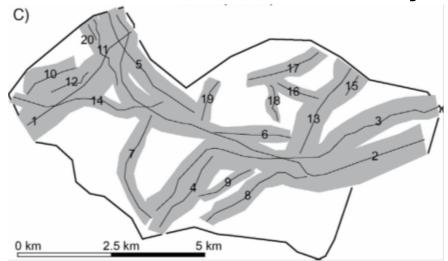


#### Delineation of valley structures

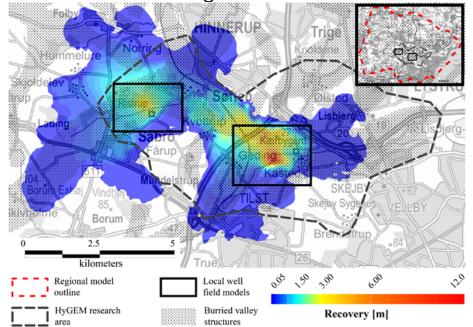


- Inversion results used to construct geological model.
- Delineated 20 buried and cross-cutting valley structures.

## Synthesis



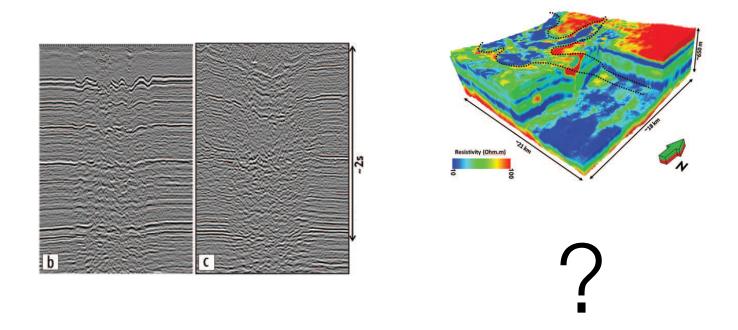
MODFLOW-USG groundwater model



- 3D geologic model incorporated into MODFLOW-USG groundwater modeling tool
- Extracted water from 2 wells.
- Downdraw between the two wells correlated with the resistive valley structures

#### Case History: Wadi Sahba

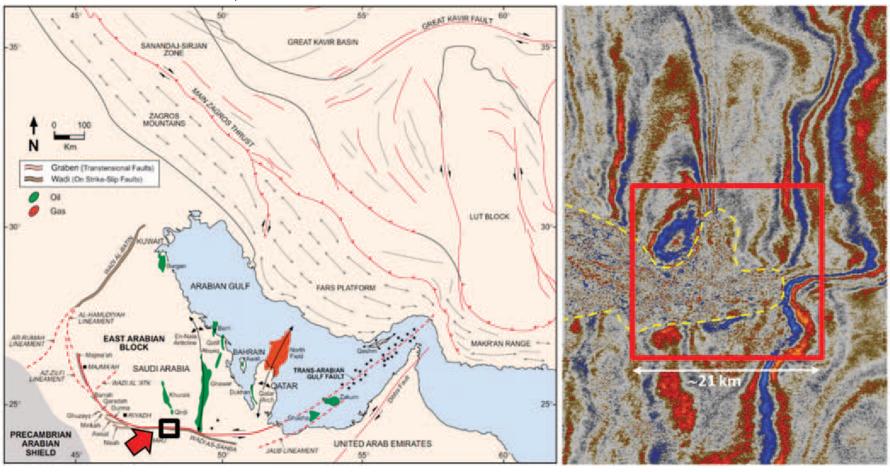
Colombo et al. 2016



## Setup

Location of Wadi area, Saudi Arabia

Seismic slice

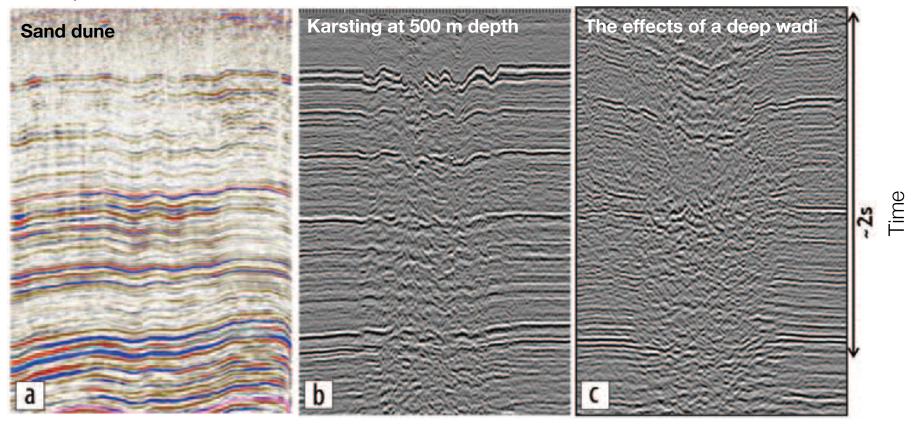


 Oil and gas exploration in the Middle East: Focus is now stratigraphic traps and low relief structures

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## Challenges for processing seismic data

#### Example seismic sections



Distance

Strong effects from near surface anomalies even after static corrections

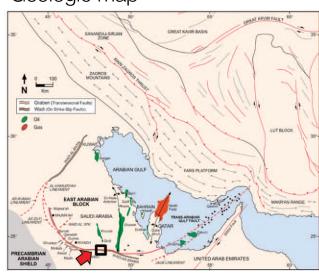
## **Properties**

P-velocity and conductivity:

 $v_p = g(\phi)$   $v_p$ : P-velocity  $\sigma = f(\phi)$   $\phi$ : porosity

- Poor seismic data:
  - strong scattering effects probably caused by flower faults
  - velocity inversions (high to low  $v_p$ )
- From previous multi-physics analyses:
  - strong structural similarity
     between the inverted resistivity,
     and the existing seismic results

Geologic map

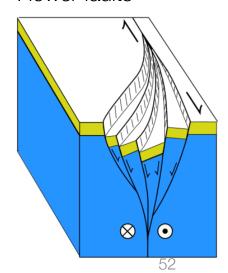


Seismic section



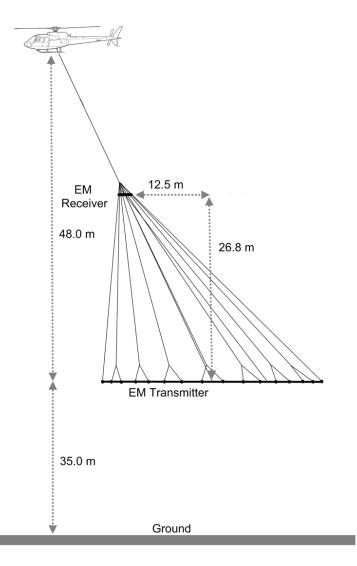
Distance

Flower faults

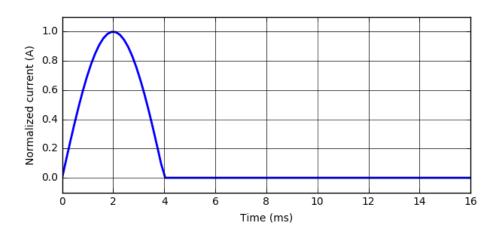


#### Survey

#### HELITEM

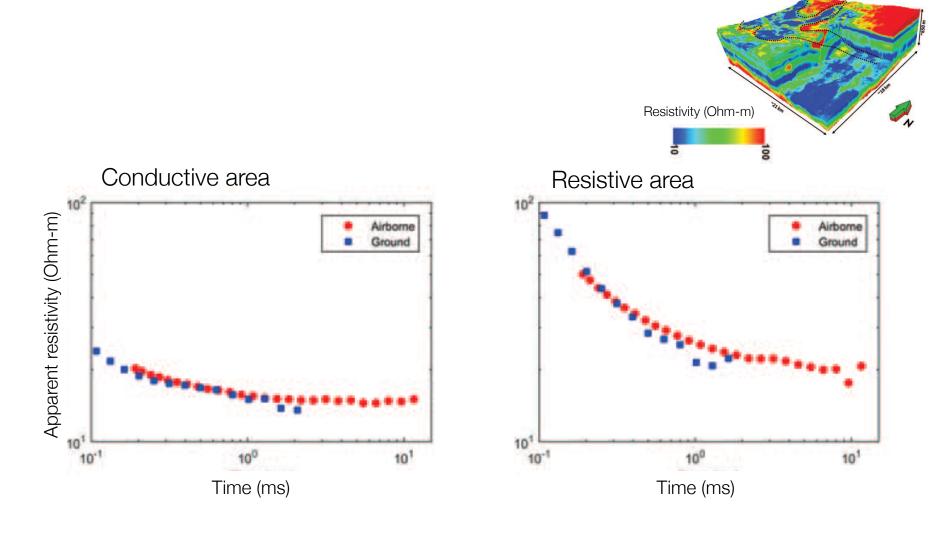


#### System Configuration

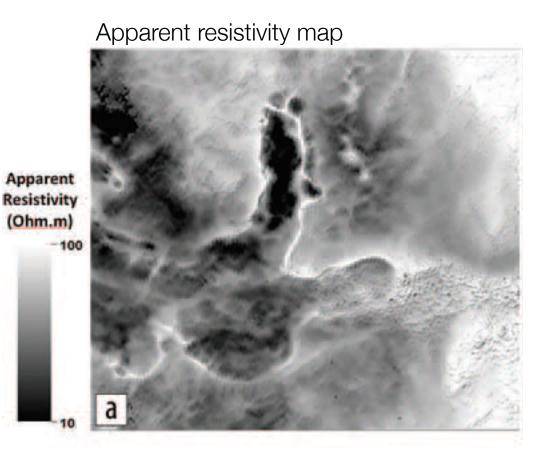


- Peak Tx current: 1200 A
- Dipole moment: 1.7x10<sup>6</sup> A-m<sup>2</sup>
- Stacked TEM curve spacing: ~2.7 m
- Total soundings: ~1.6 million

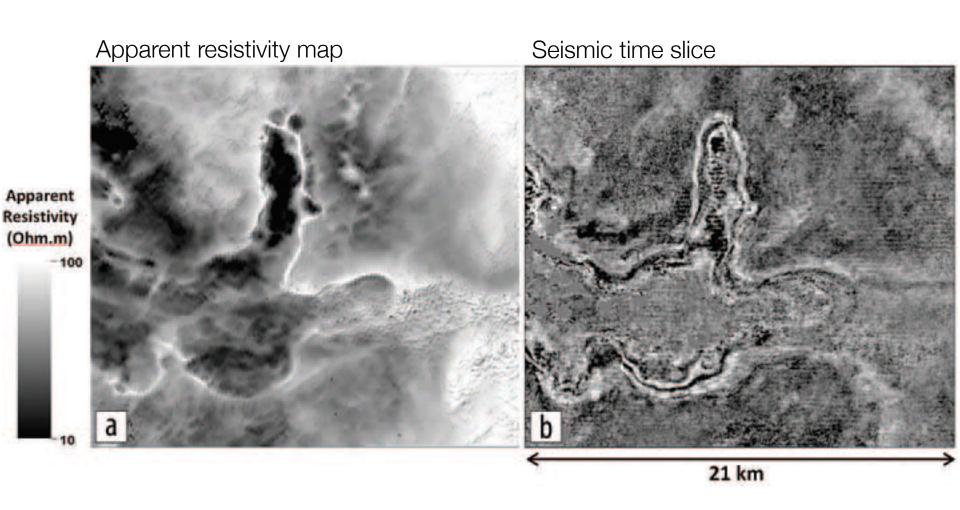
## Comparisons: airborne and ground EM



## EM data

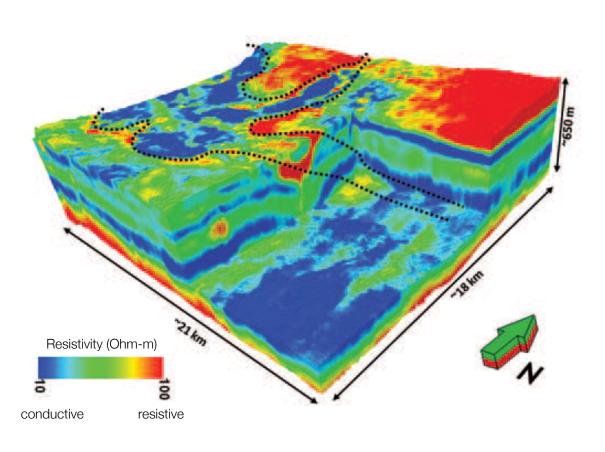


## Comparison: EM and Seismic data



## Processing: EM inversion

#### Conductivity model



- 1D inversion for each sounding location
- Lateral constraint is used

#### Cooperative inversion: Seismic + EM

How EM can help seismic tomography inversion?

Velocity (vp): high to low (significant challenge)

Conductivity ( $\sigma$ ): high to low

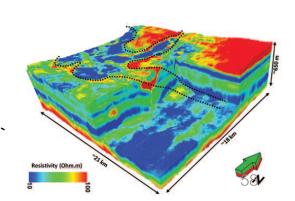
$$v_p = g(\phi)$$
  $\phi$ : porosity  $\sigma = f(\phi)$ 

 $\mathbf{m}_s$ : Slowness

 $\mathbf{m}_{\sigma}$ : Conductivity

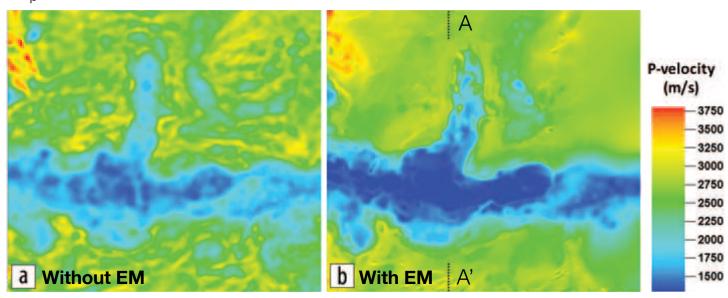
$$\psi(\mathbf{m}_{s}, \mathbf{m}_{\sigma}) = \psi_{m}(\mathbf{m}_{s}) + \frac{1}{\lambda_{1}} \psi_{d}(\mathbf{m}_{s}) + \frac{1}{\lambda_{2}} \psi_{x}(\mathbf{m}_{s}, \mathbf{m}_{\sigma}) + \frac{1}{\lambda_{3}} \psi_{rp}(\mathbf{m}_{s}, \mathbf{m}_{\sigma})$$

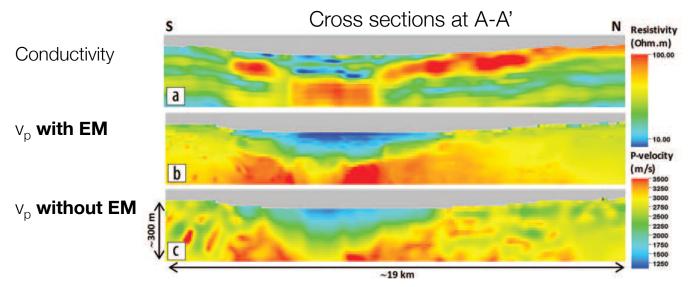
$$\|
abla \mathbf{m_s} imes 
abla \mathbf{m}_{\sigma}\|_2^2$$
 Gallardo and Meju, 2004



#### Cooperative inversion: Seismic + EM

V<sub>p</sub> depth slices at 340 m below sea level

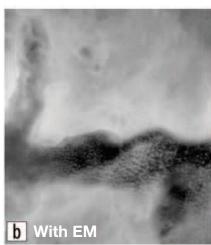




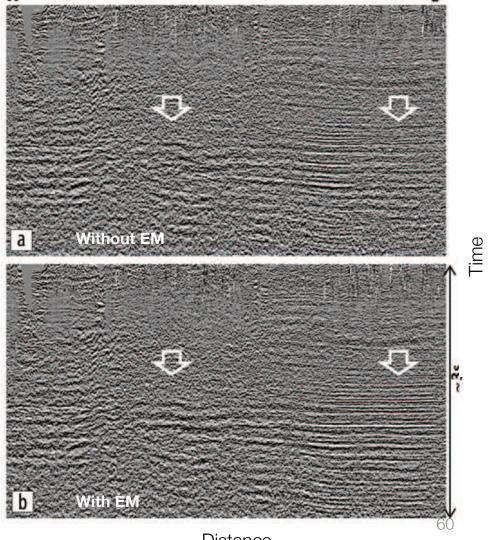
#### Static correction

Estimated statics on plan map





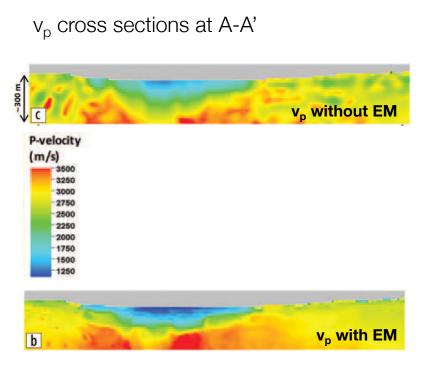
Static corrected sections

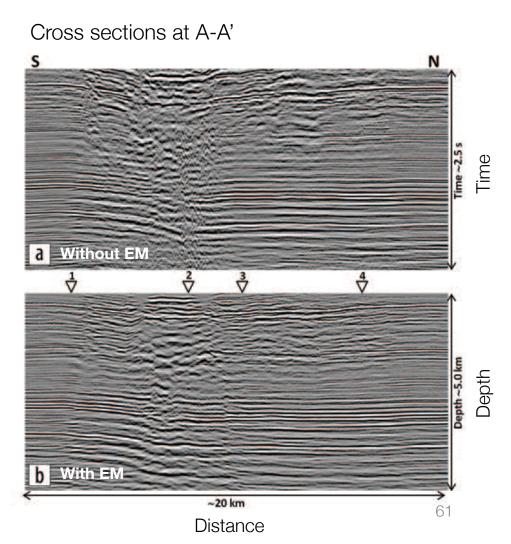


Distance

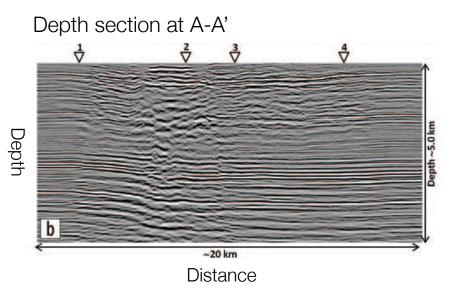
#### Pre-stack depth migration

• Impact of the improved  $v_p$  model to a pre-stack depth migration:

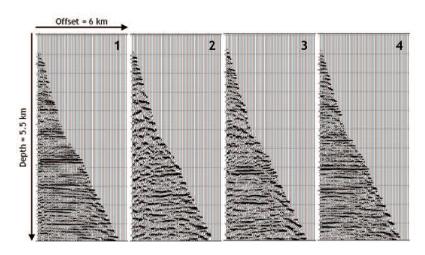




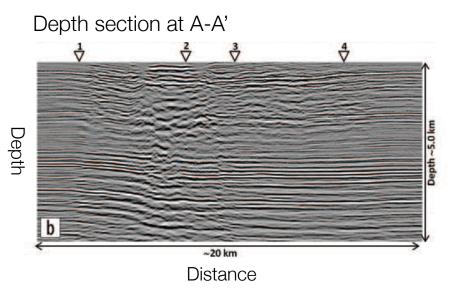
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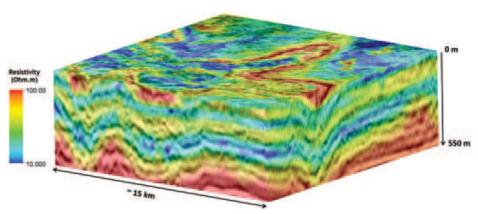
#### Common image gathers



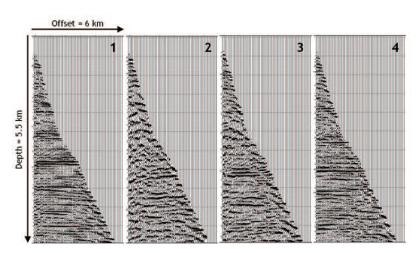
#### Interpretation and Synthesis



3D prestack depth migration co-rendered with EM



#### Common image gathers



- High resolution near surface conductivity from EM improves velocity model
- Helps seismic imaging:
  - Static correction
  - Pre-stack depth migration

#### Outline

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#### Time Domain EM

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- Propagation with Time
- Case History

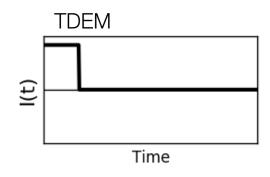
#### Frequency Domain EM

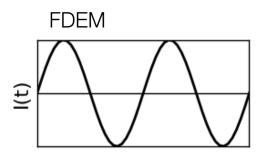
- Vertical Magnetic Dipole
- Effects of Frequency
- Case History Ground water

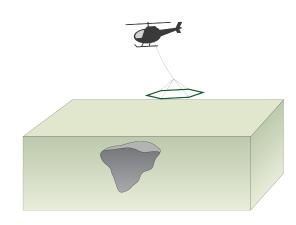
#### **EM** with Inductive Sources

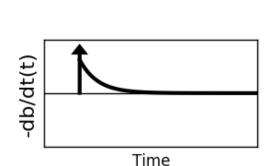
- Induction principles are the same for
  - TDEM: Time domain EM
  - FDEM: Frequency domain EM

#### Transmitter current

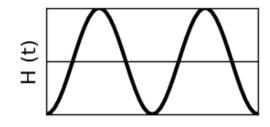




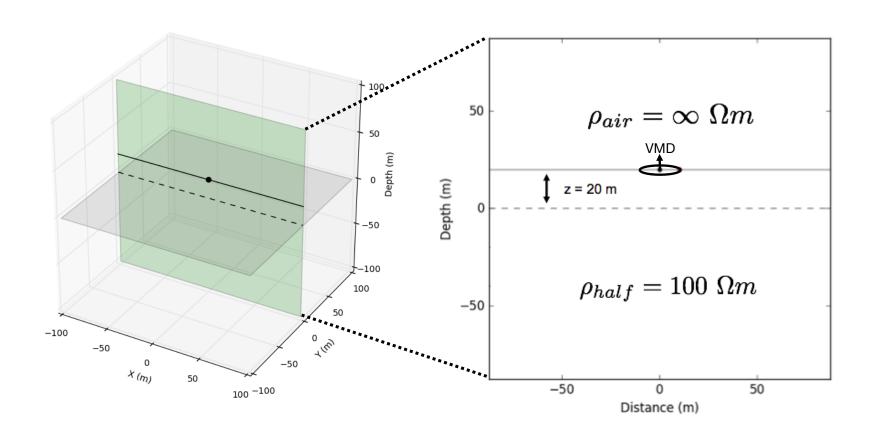




Receiver

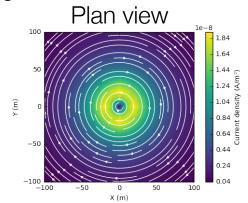


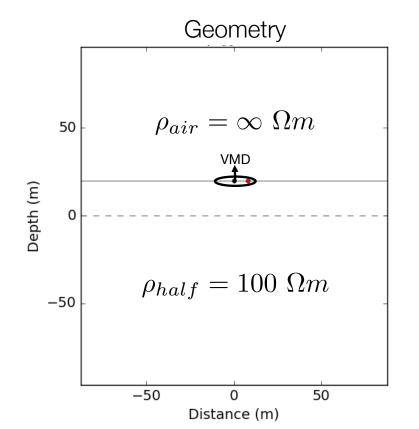
## Vertical Magnetic Dipole over a halfspace (FDEM)

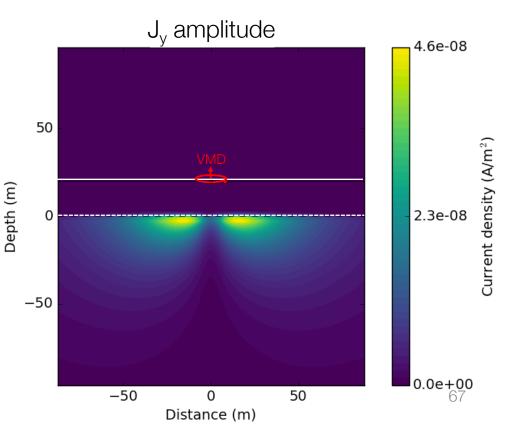


## **Current Density**

- Frequency = 10 kHz
- Currents in the earth flow in planes parallel to the Tx

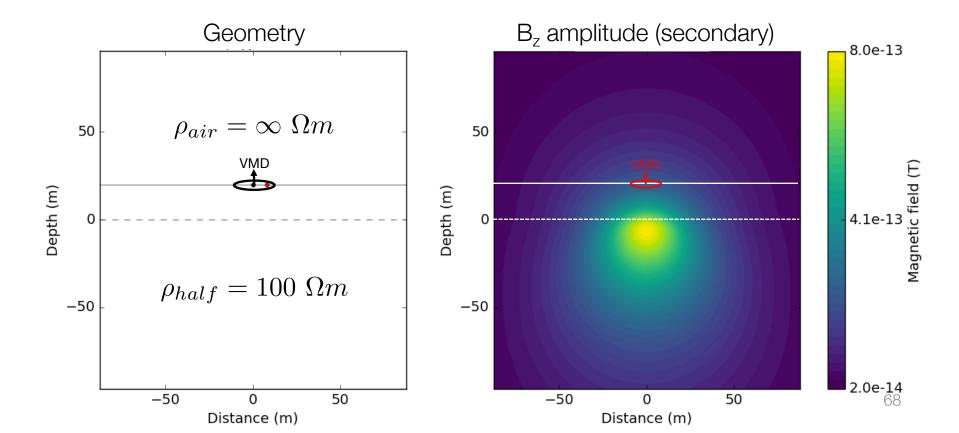






## Secondary Magnetic Flux Density

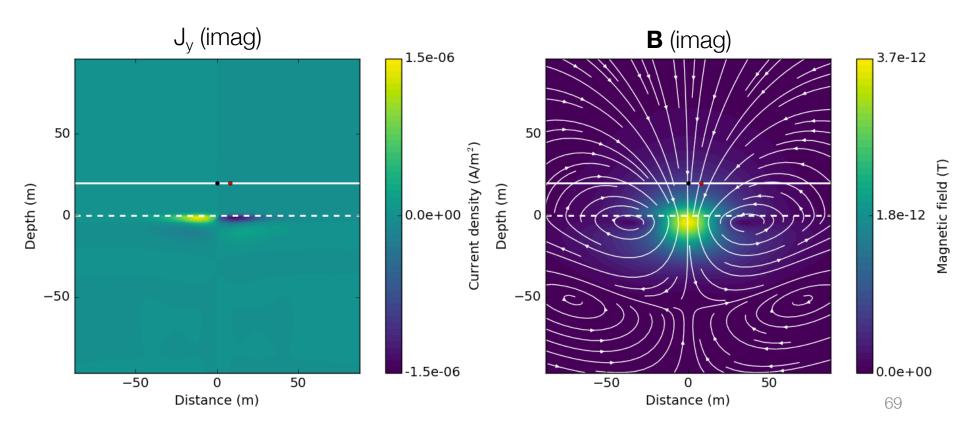
Frequency = 10 kHz



## Effects of Frequency

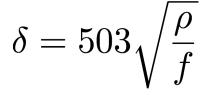
- Frequency at 100 kHz
- Skin depth = 16 m
- Currents are concentrated at surface

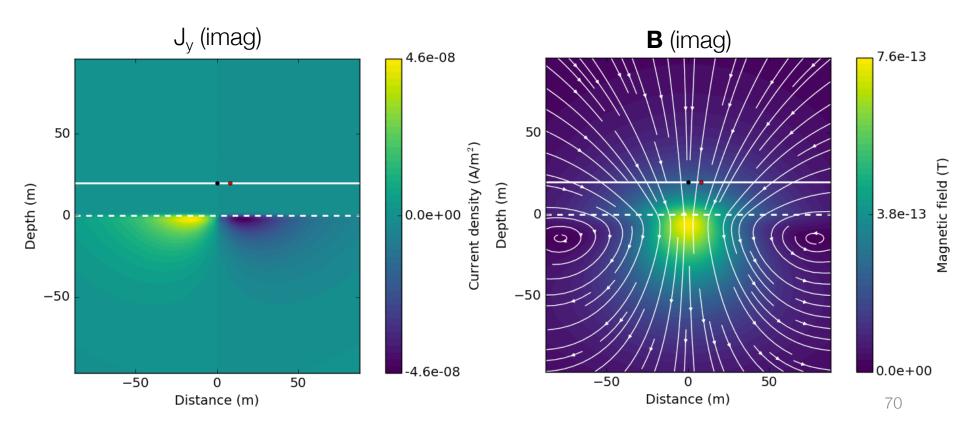
$$\delta = 503\sqrt{\frac{\rho}{f}}$$



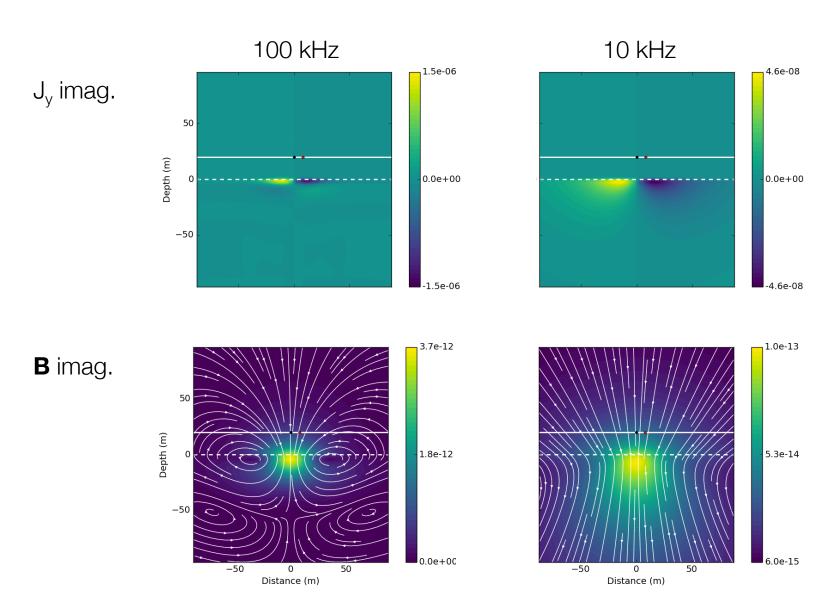
## Effects of Frequency

- Frequency at 10 kHz
- Skin depth = 50 m
- Currents diffusing downward and outward



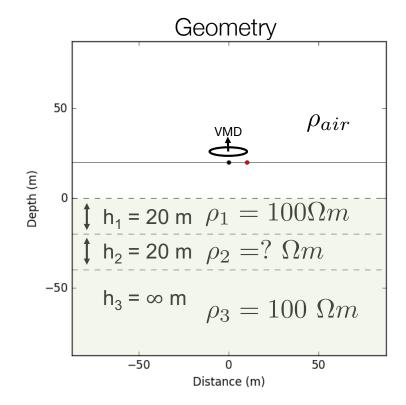


## Summary: Effects of Frequency



## Layered earth

- 3 layers + air,
- $\rho_2$  varies



- Four different cases:
  - Halfspace

$$\rho_2 = 100 \Omega m$$

- Resistive

$$\rho_2 = 1000 \ \Omega m$$

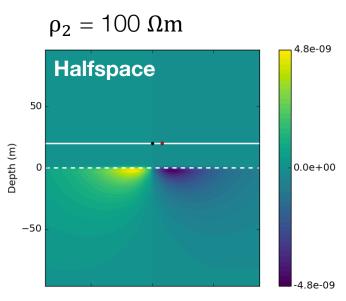
- Conductive

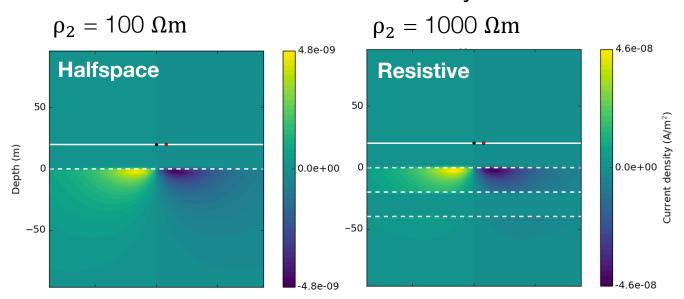
$$\rho_2 = 10 \Omega m$$

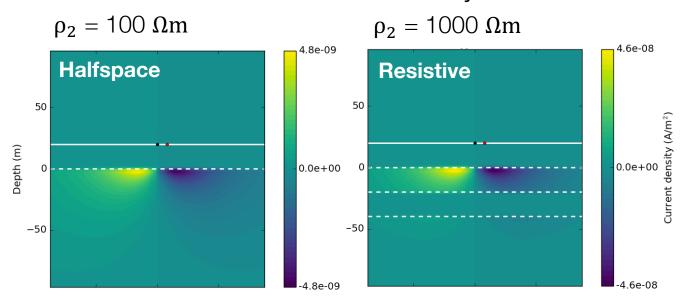
Very conductive

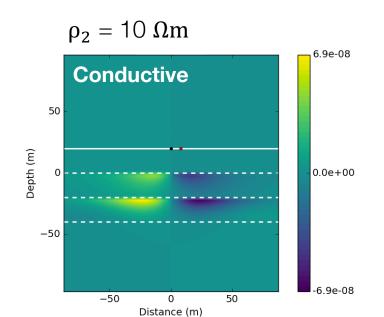
$$\rho_2 = 1 \Omega m$$

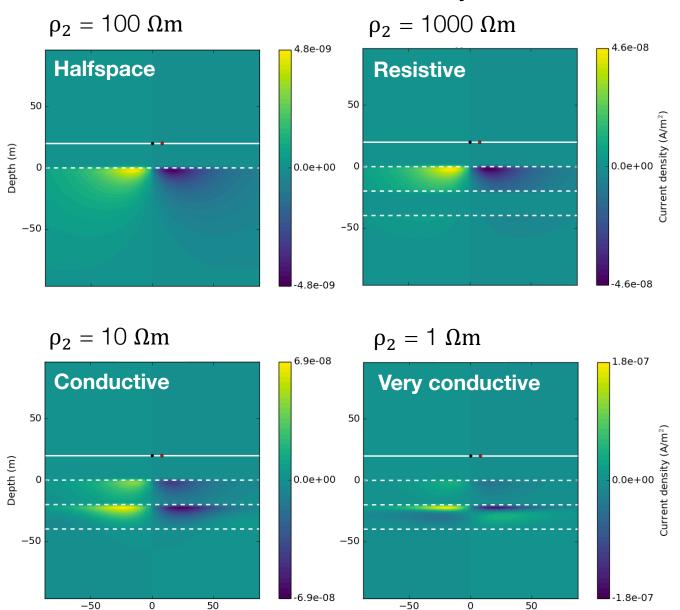
- Fields
  - J<sub>v</sub> imag
  - Secondary B imag







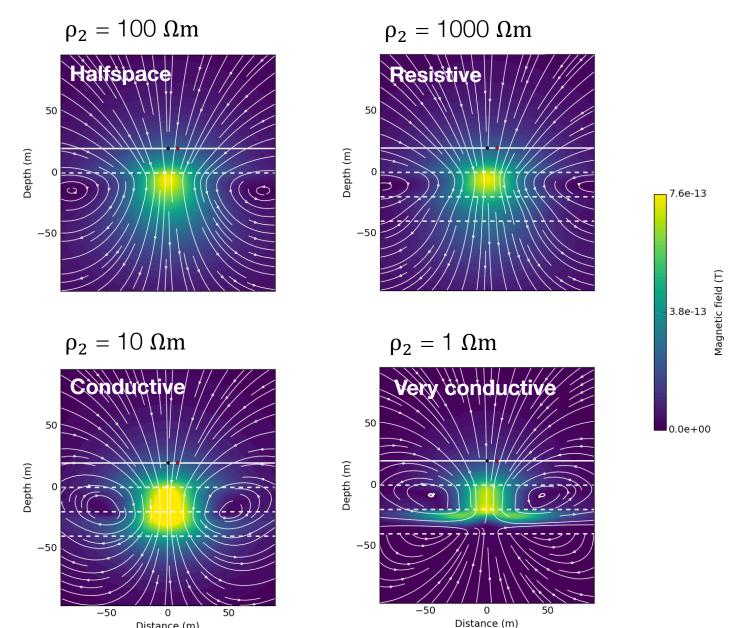




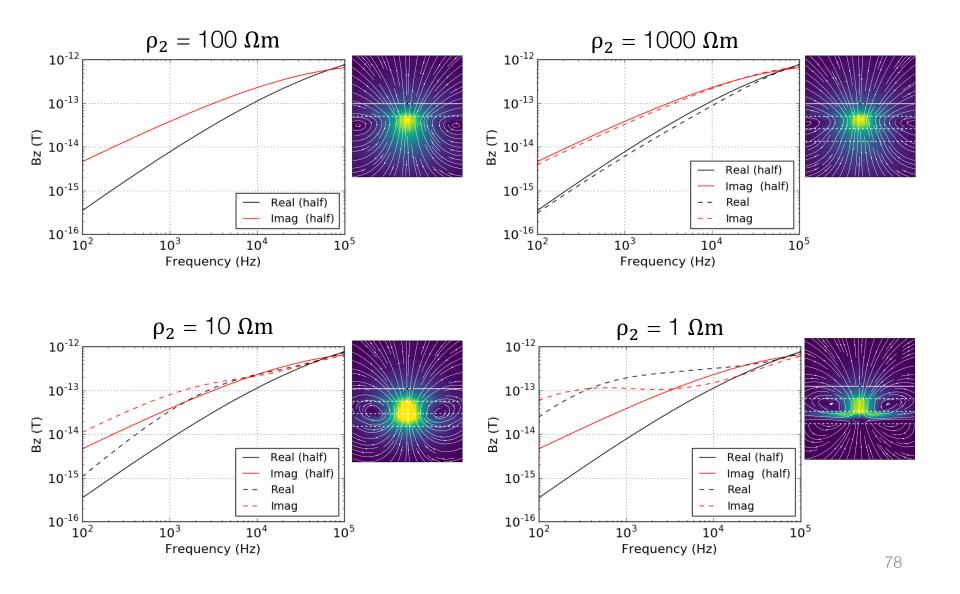
Distance (m)

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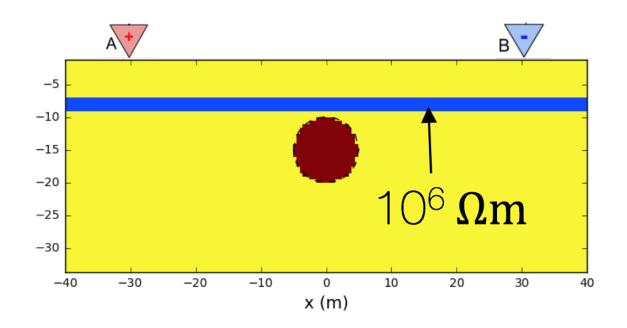
# Magnetic flux density (**B** imag)



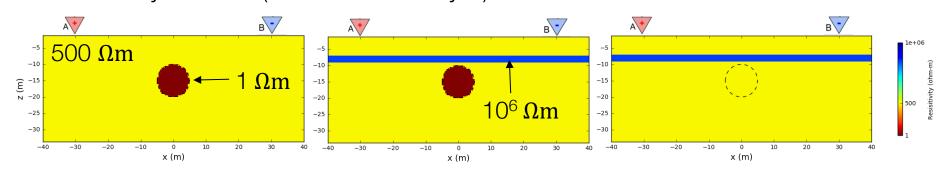
# B<sub>z</sub> sounding curves



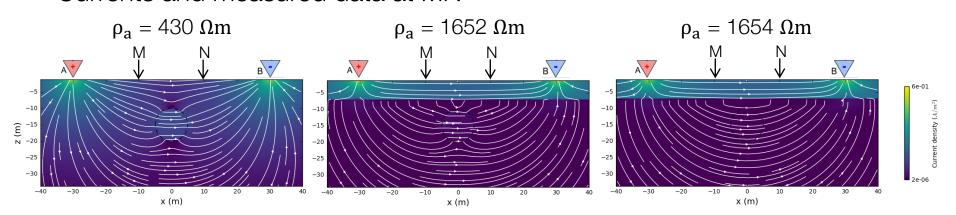
### Back to the "shielding" problem



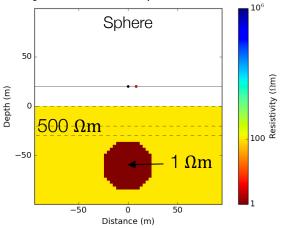
Resistivity models (thin **resistive** layer)



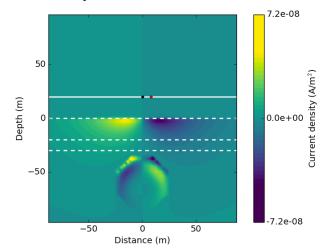
#### Currents and measured data at MN



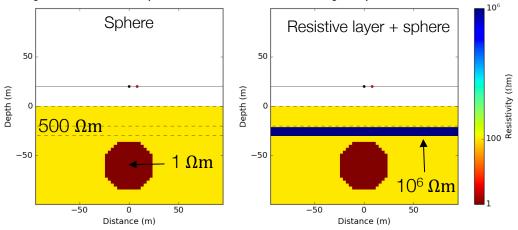
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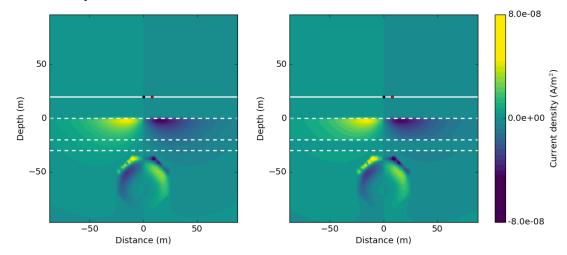
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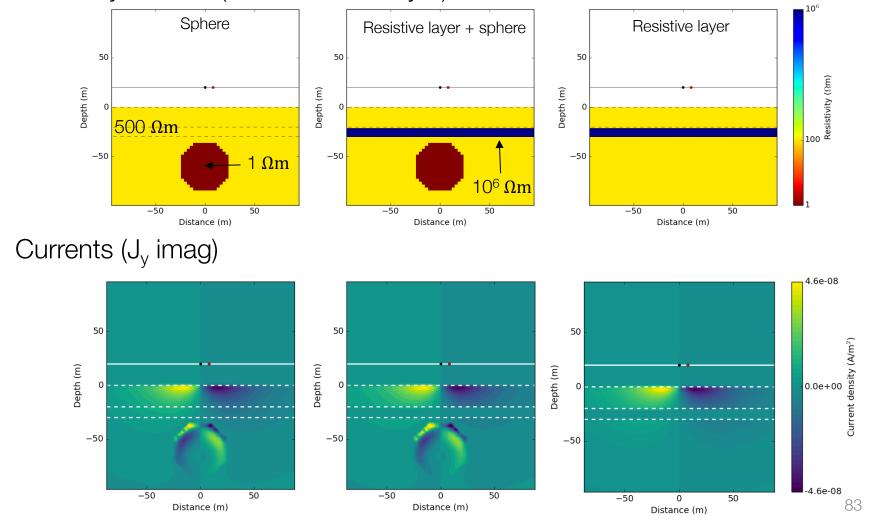
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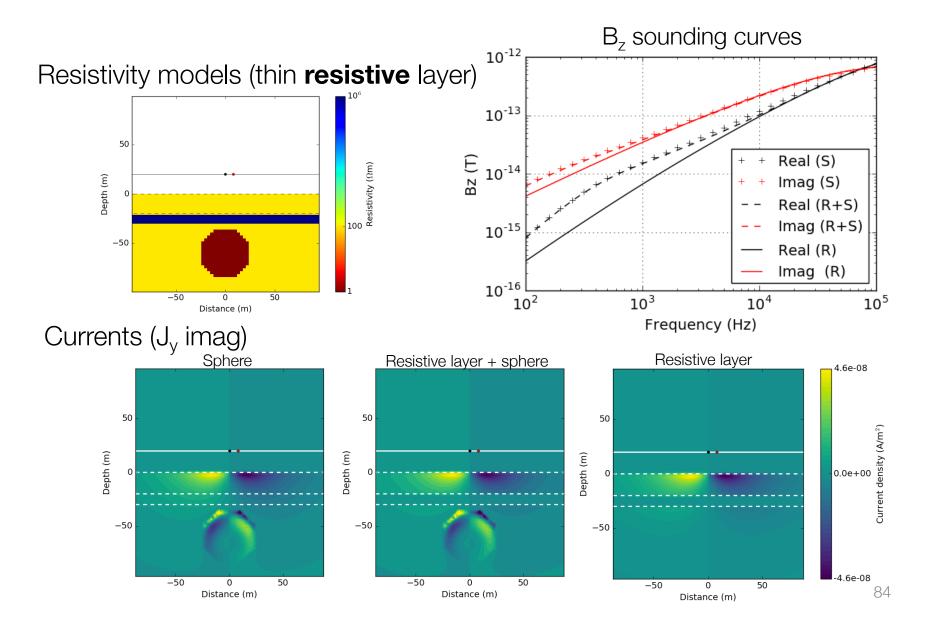


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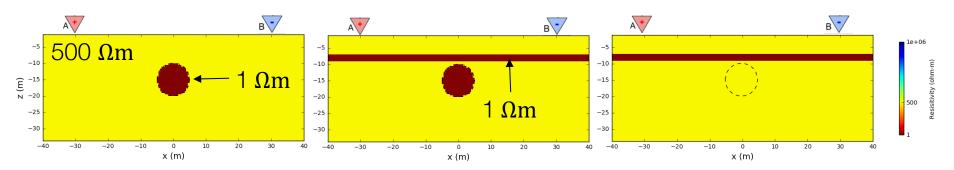
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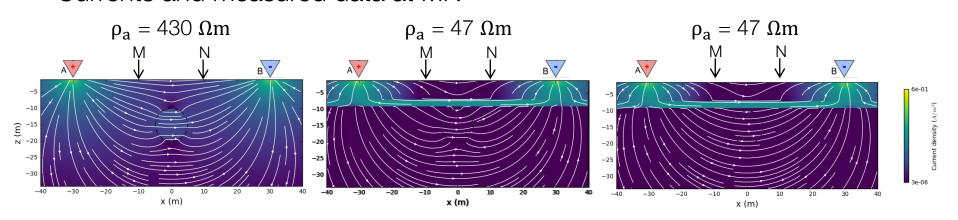


# Shielding: DC with conductive layer

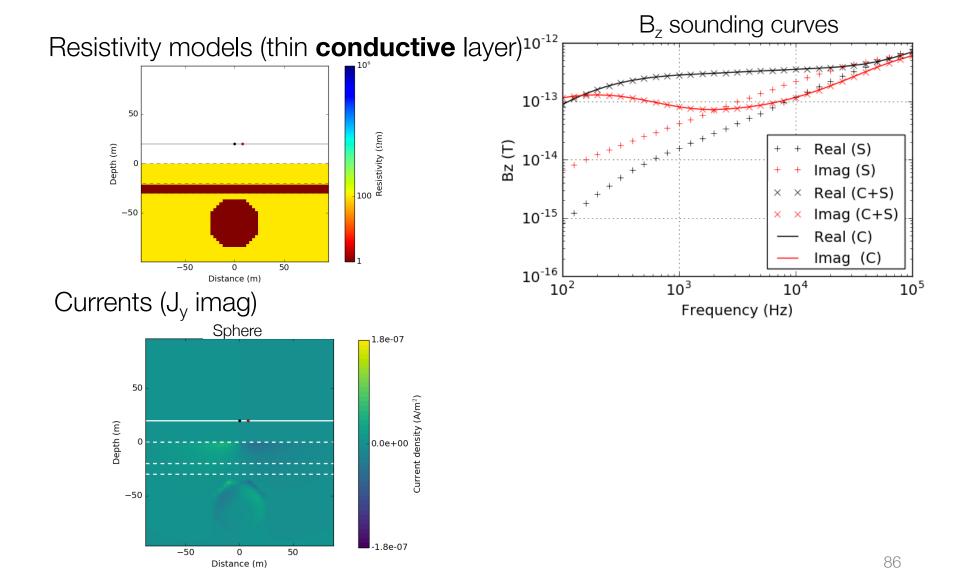
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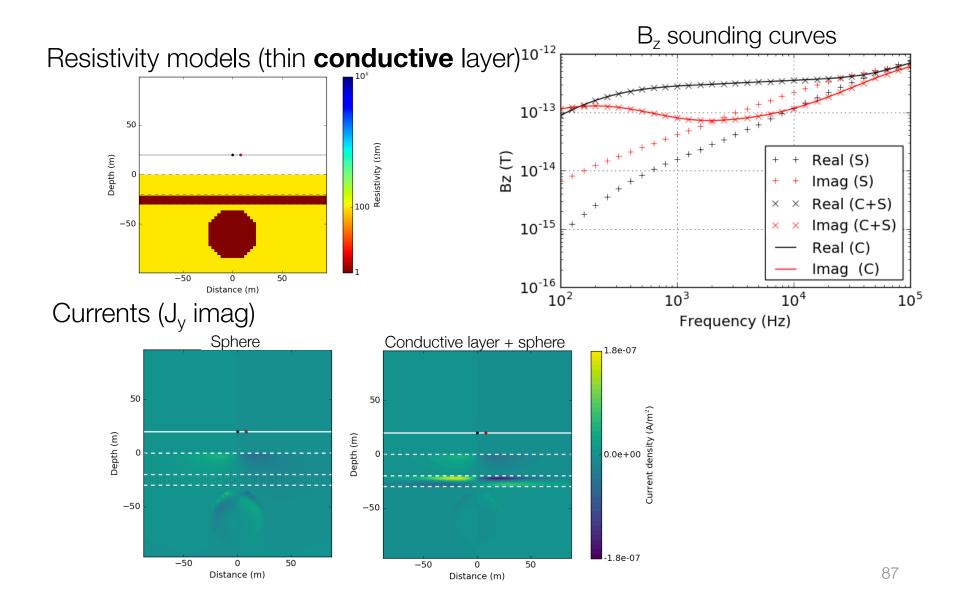
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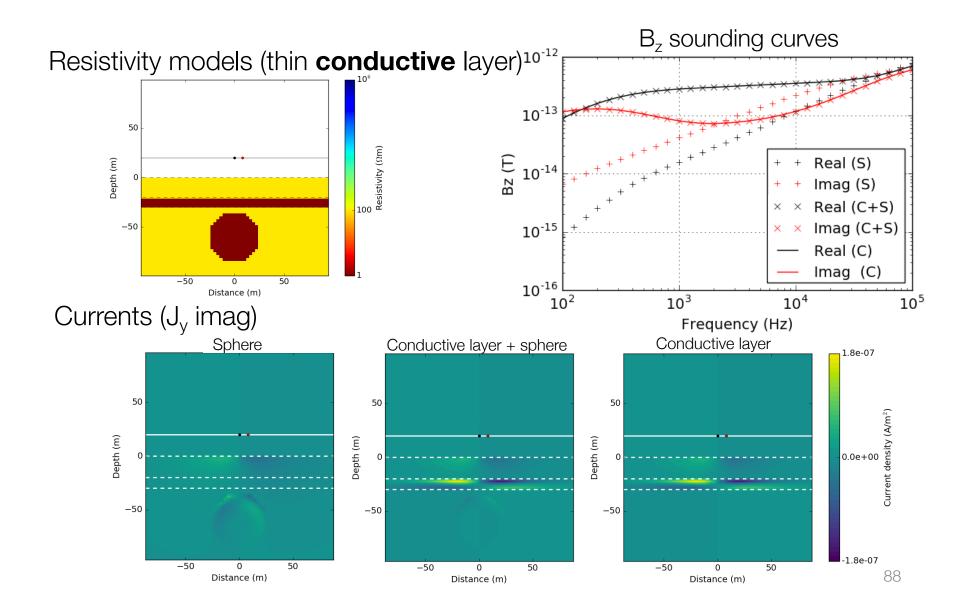
# Shielding: EM with conductive layer



### Shielding: EM with conductive layer



### Shielding: EM with conductive layer



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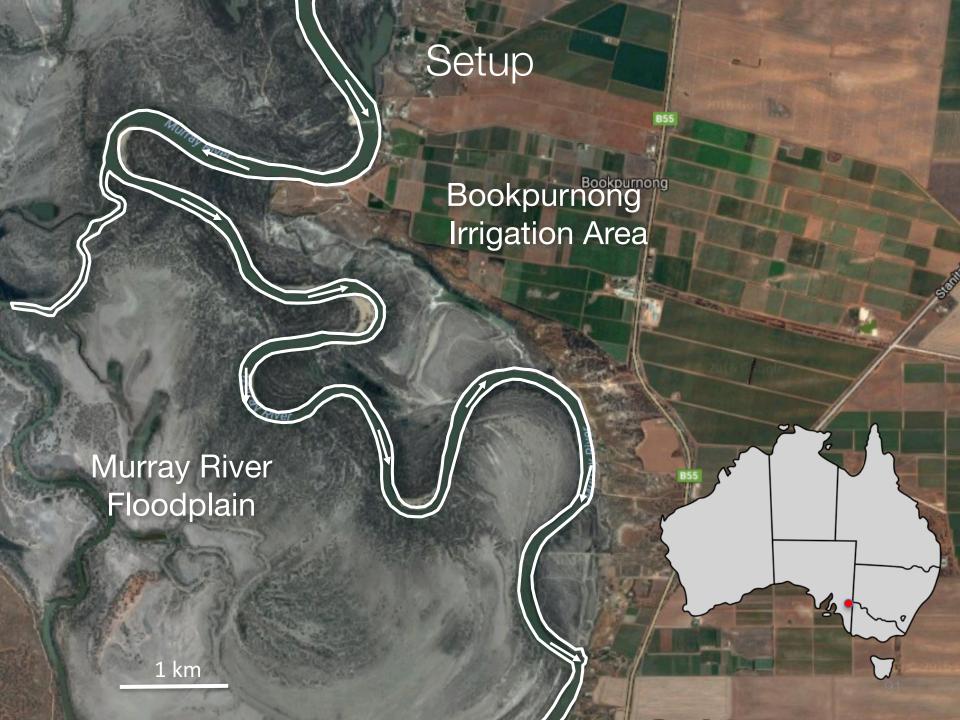
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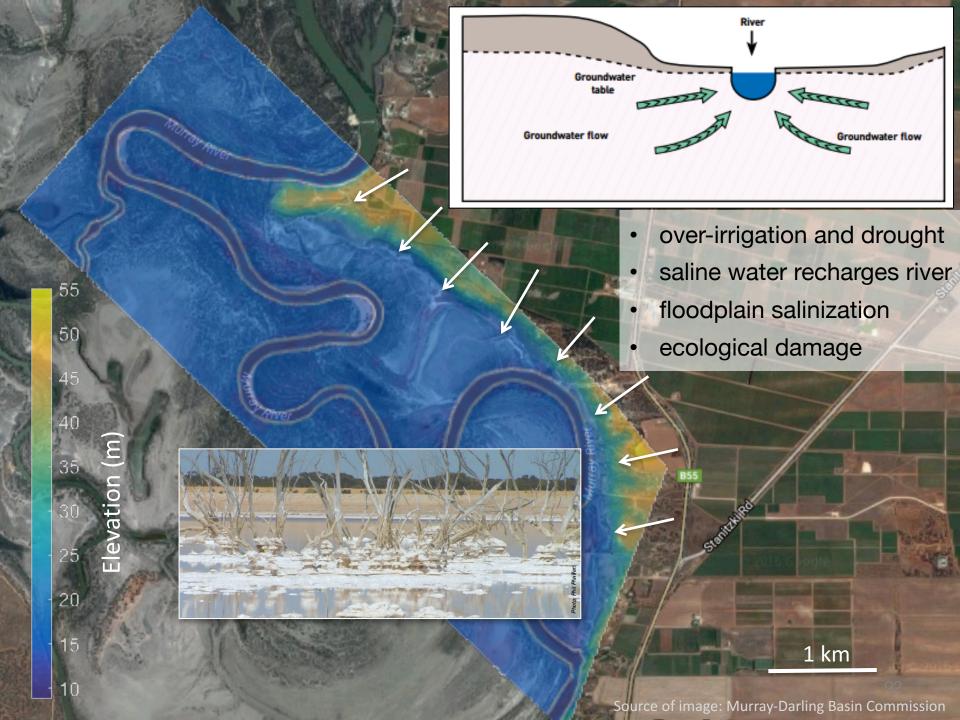
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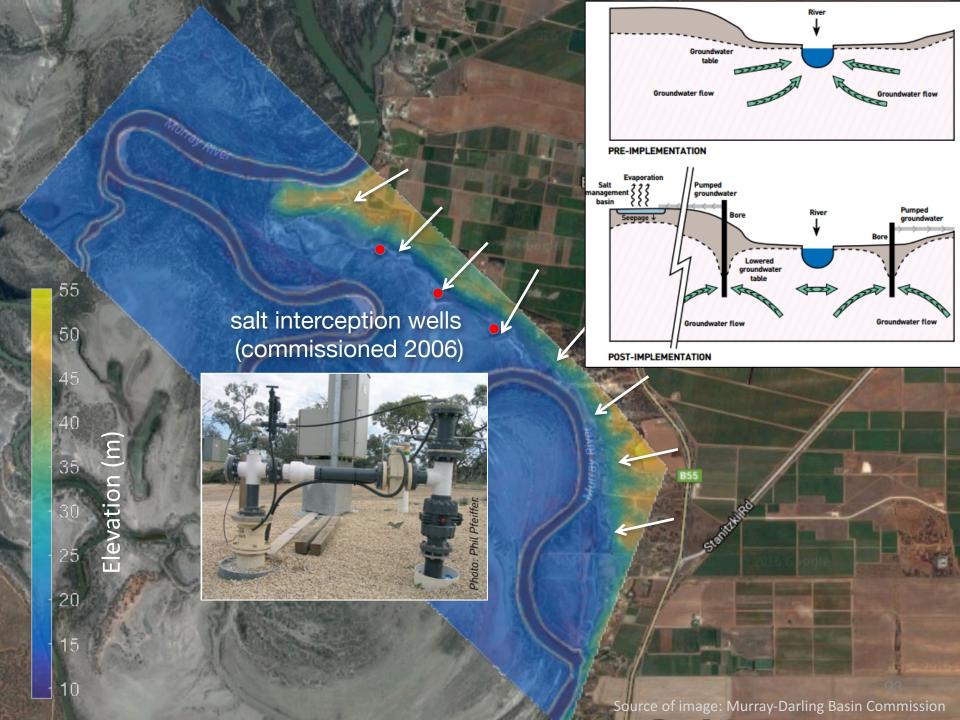
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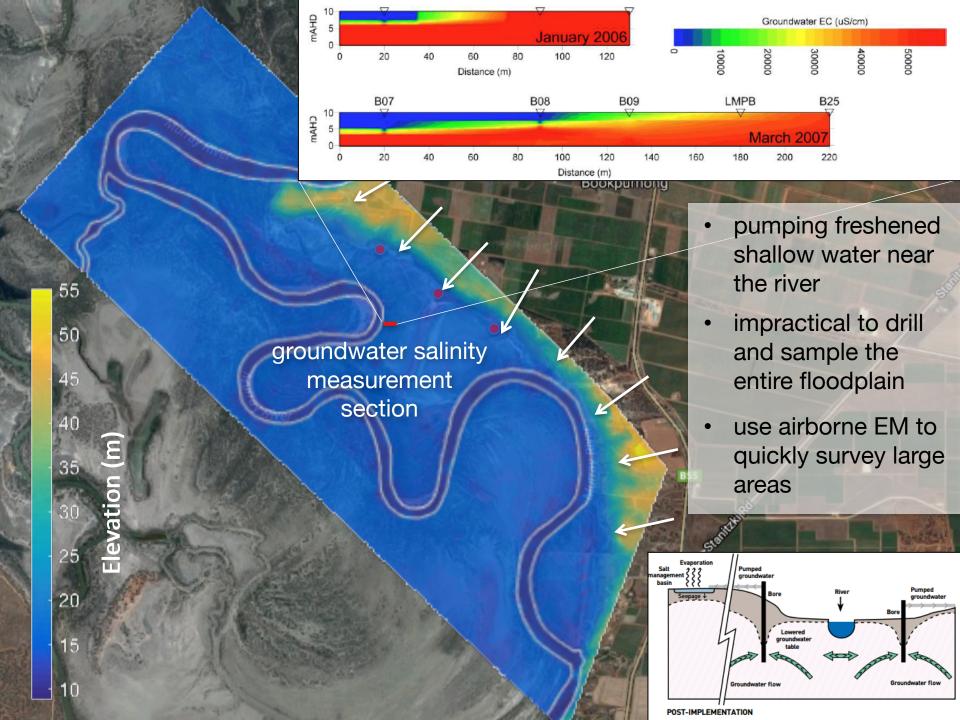
### Case History: Bookpurnong

Viezzoli et al., 2009



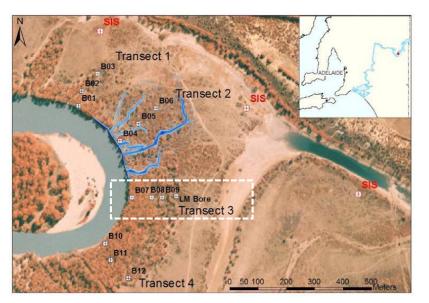






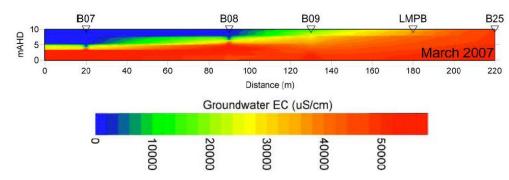
### **Properties**

#### Location map for salinity measurements



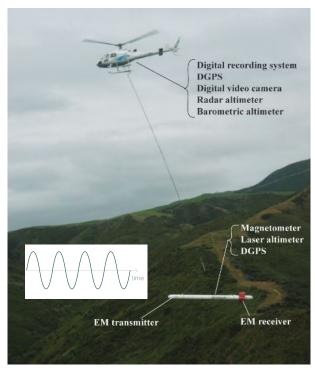
Unit	Conductivity
Saline water	High, 3 - 5 S/m
Fresh water	Low, 0.01 S/m

#### Conductivity from salinity measurements



### Survey

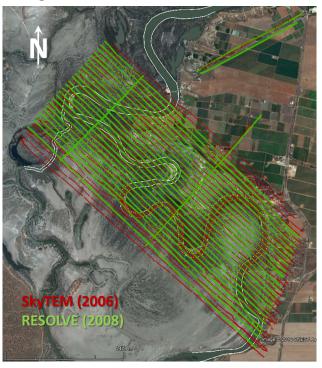
#### Resolve system (2008)



Horizontal Co-planar (HCP) frequencies: - 382, 1822, 7970, 35920 and 130100 Hz

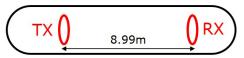
Vertical Co-axial (VCA) frequencies: - 3258 Hz

Flight lines

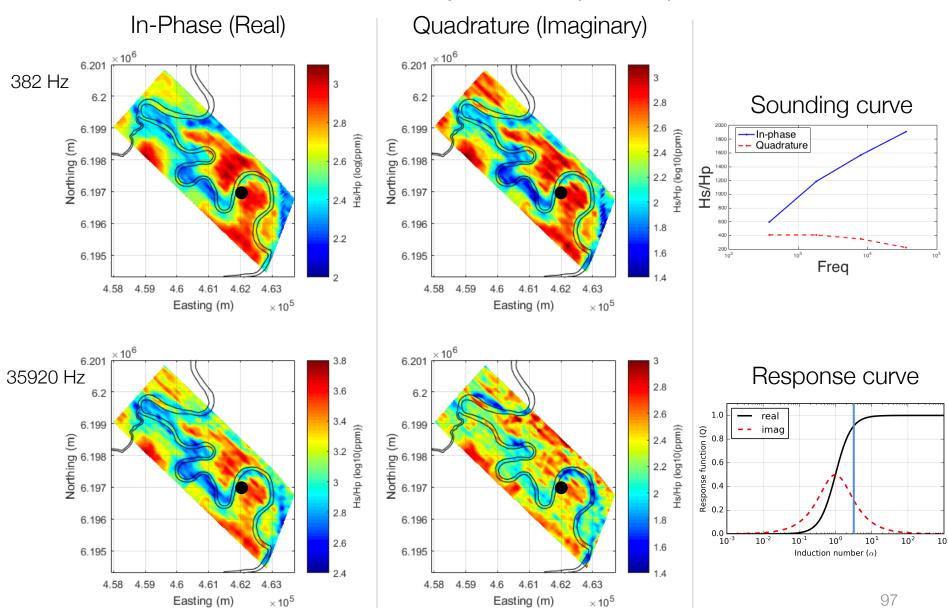




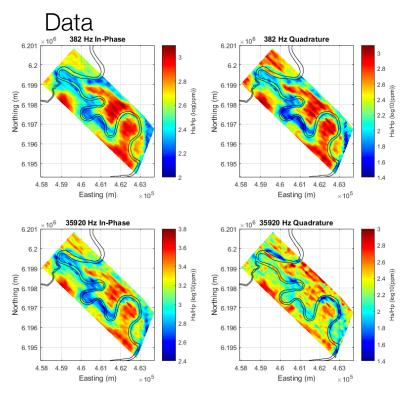
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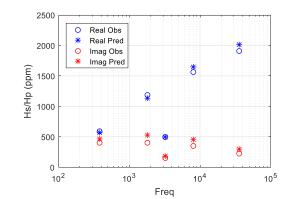
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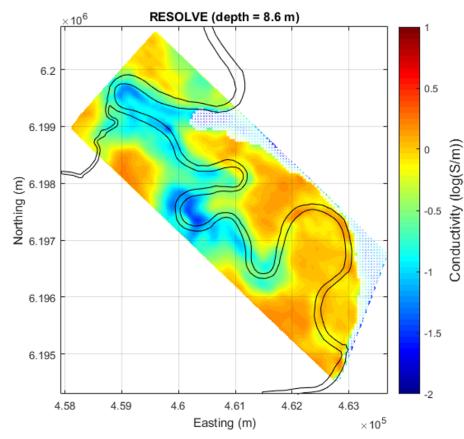
### Processing: 1D inversion



#### Data fit

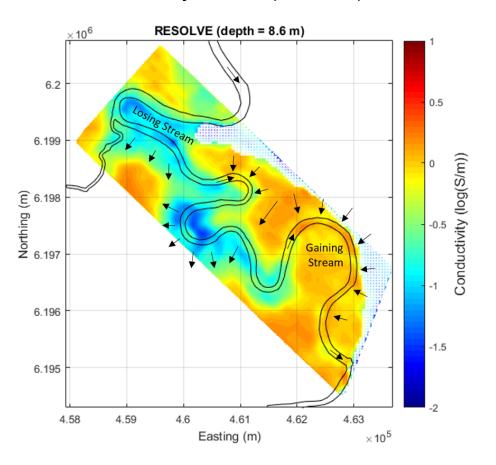


#### Conductivity model (stitched)

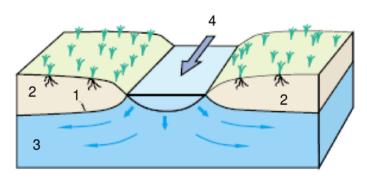


### Interpretation

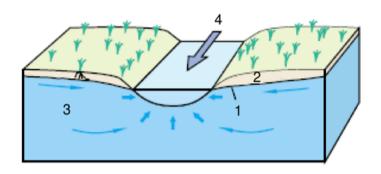
#### Conductivity model (stitched)



#### **Losing Stream**



**Gaining Stream** 

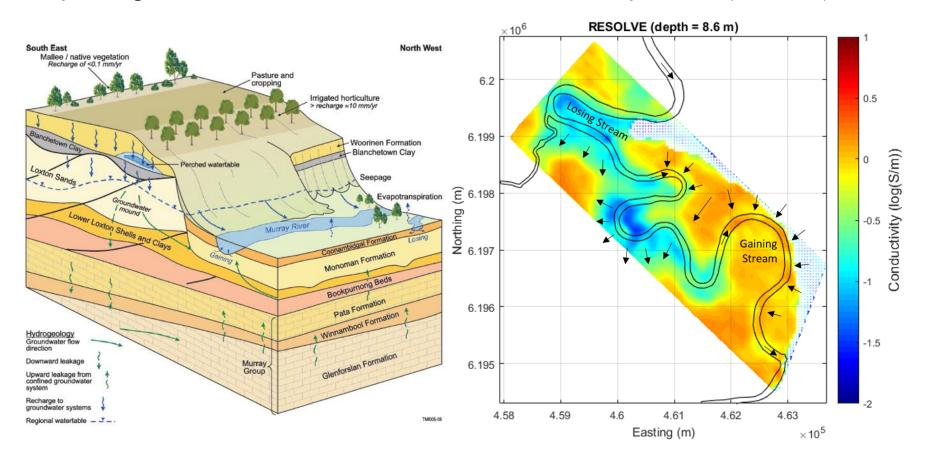


- 1 Water table 2 Unsaturated zone
- 3 Saturated zone 4 Flow direction

### Synthesis

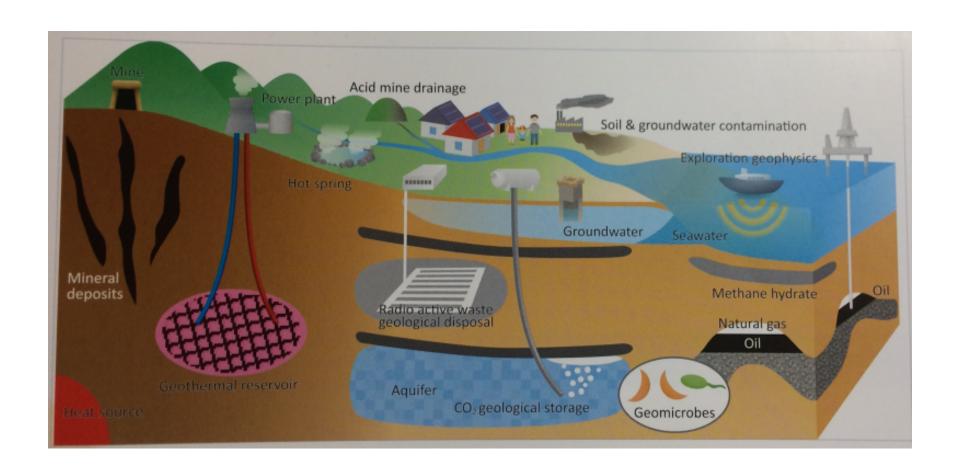
#### Hydrological model

#### Conductivity model (stitched)



# An example from DISC Tokyo

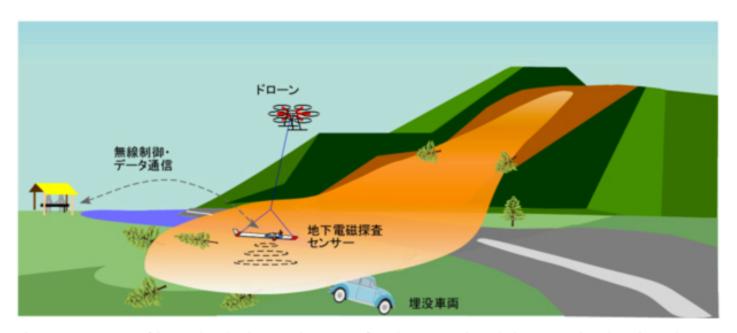
# DISC Tokyo...



### EM Geophysics using Drone Technology: AIST

#### Setup:

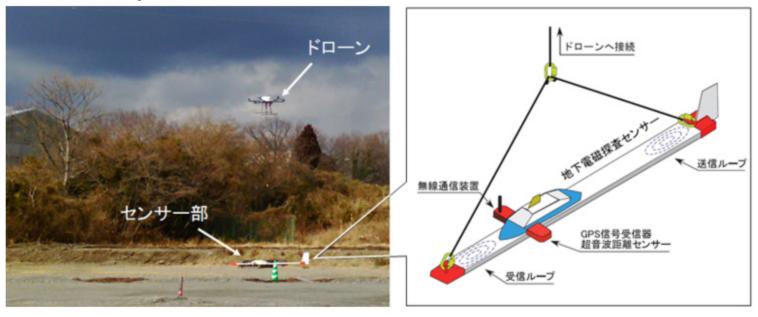
- Develop FDEM system for a drone
- Application: near surface geophysics problems
- Example: find automobiles buried in a landslide



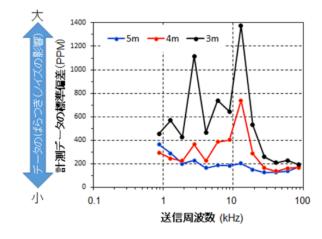
Exploration image of buried vehicles at the site of sediment-related disasters by developed system

### Survey equipment

#### Drone EM system



- System must be removed from the noise of the drone
- Sensor located 5 meters below drone



### Data acquisition



System must be close to the ground (primary field  $1/r^3$ )



Fig. 4 Arrangement of the burial vehicle experiment site of the construction laboratory site Two buried mini vehicles are buried in the ground of 1.5 m depth and 3.0 m depth, respectively.

### Data and interpretation

- In-phase and quadrature phase data recorded at multiple frequencies.
- Metallic objects have high induction number
- Signal is mostly in the In-phase part
- Plot amplitude: both cars imaged

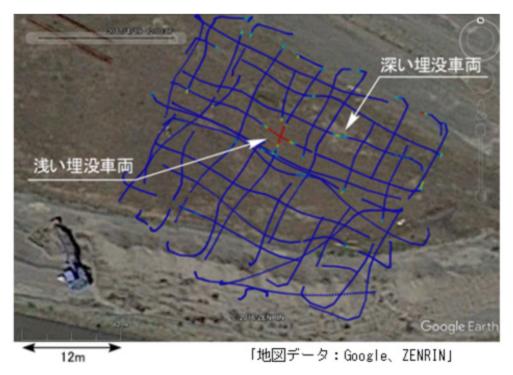


Fig. 6 Exploration data by precision drone navigation measurement (measurement frequency 60 kHz)

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#### Additional Material

- Tutorial on UXO
- Case History:
  - Pole Mountain (UXO)
  - HeliSam (Minerals)
  - La Magdelena (Minerals

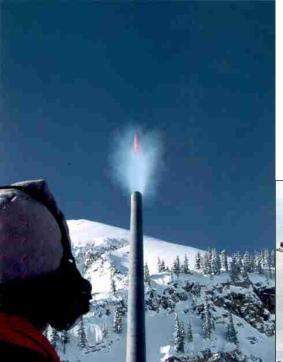
# Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)

## Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)

Definition: a munition that was armed, fired and remains unexploded

#### Sources:

- Regions of military conflict
- Munitions/bombing ranges
- Avalanche control



### **Countries Significantly Impacted by UXOs**







http://www.nohowinc.com/

nttp://www.ama.state.mn.us/

Various Types of UXO

- Landmines
- Bombs
- Bombies (from cluster bombs)
- Rocket-propelled grenades (RPG)
- Hand-held grenades
- Mortars





## How do we find UXO?





## Magnetic Surveys: Locate Anomalies

- Analogue data
- Flag anomaly locations



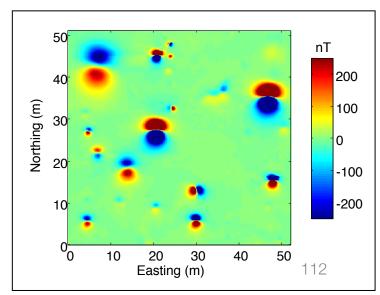


Ferrex

- Digital data
- Look for magnetic dipoles



TM4



# Magnetic Survey: Dig Anomalies





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## Digital UXO Location and Classification

#### **Problem**

- Most anomalies are not UXO
- Digging every anomaly is expensive

#### Goal

- Classify anomalies
- Dig only UXOs

### **Strategy**

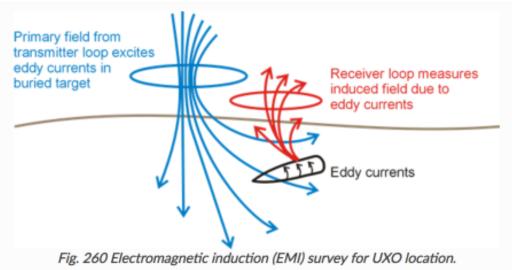
- Need more information than provided by magnetics
- UXO: composed of steel
  - conductive and magnetic





## Fundamental Physics: EM Survey

- Controlled source generates primary magnetic field
- Primary field induces eddy currents within UXO
- Eddy currents decay over time
- Eddy current produce a secondary field which decays over time



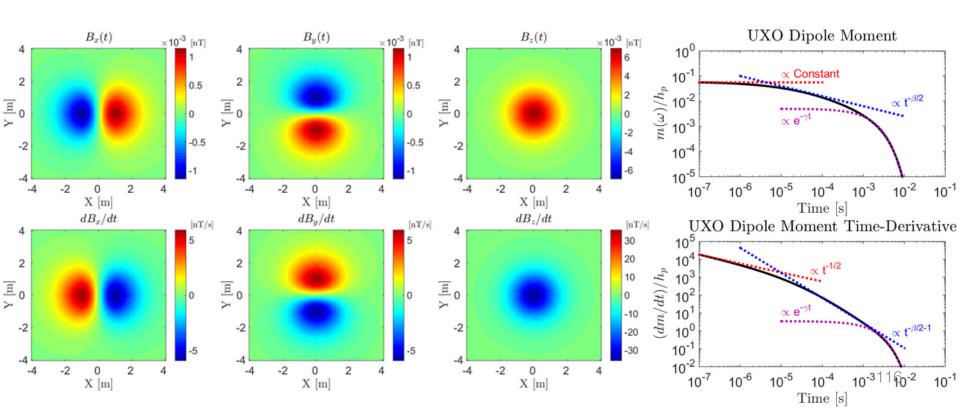






## Fundamental Physics: EM Survey

- UXO responses modeled as magnetic dipoles
- Dipoles decay with time
- Rate of decay is indicative of the type of object
- UXOs have characteristic early, mid and late-time decay behaviours



## Dipole Model and Polarization Tensor

UXO response modeled as dipole:

$$\mathbf{b_s}(t) = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{3\mathbf{r} \big[ \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{m}(t) \big]}{r^5} - \frac{\mathbf{m}(t)}{r^3} \right]$$

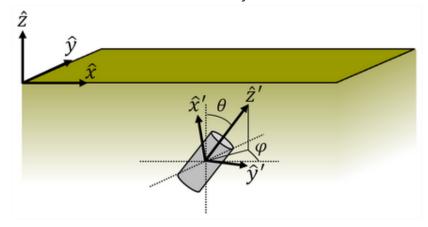
- m(t) is dipole moment (decays with time)
- m(t) depends on:
  - 1. Orientation of the inducing field
  - 2. The polarization tensor

$$\mathbf{m}(t) = \mathbf{A^T} \mathbf{L} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{h_p}$$

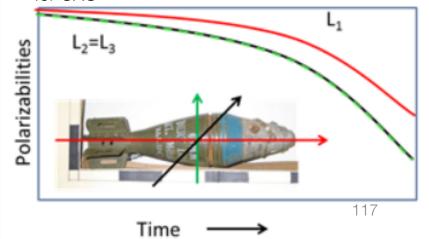
The polarization tensor L:

$$\mathbf{L}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} L_1(t) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & L_2(t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & L_3(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Field and UXO coordinate systems

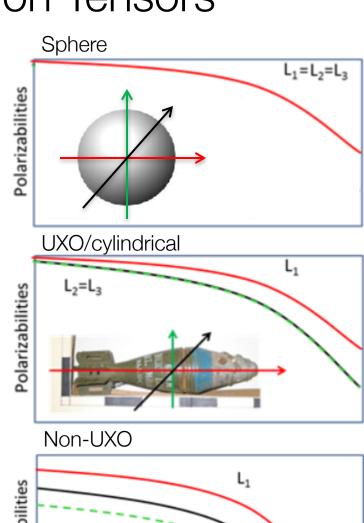


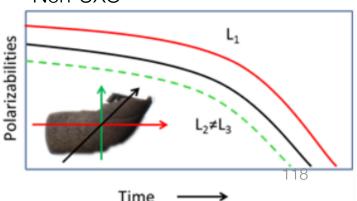
Primary (L1) and secondary (L2,L3) polarizations for UXO



## Objects and Polarization Tensors

- Polarization tensor characterizes decay and provides information about dimensionality
- Sphere:
  - Polarization strength independent of primary field direction
  - $\circ$  L1 = L2 = L3
- UXO:
  - Cylindrical in shape
  - Stronger polarization along primary axis
  - $\circ$  L1 > L2 = L3
- Non-UXO:
  - o Arbitrary shape
  - Polarization different along different orientations
  - $\circ$  L1  $\neq$  L2  $\neq$  L3

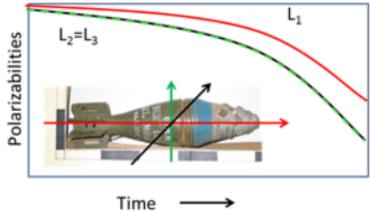




### **UXO** Classification in Practice

- Survey area and pick targets
- Collect high-resolution data over a target
- Recover the elements of the polarization tensor
- Use the polarization tensor to infer information about the object's shape
- Match the recovered polarization tensor to those of object stored in a library to classify





To carry out inversion for polarization tensor need data:

- multiple transmitters (orientations)
- multiple components of data

## Common Systems

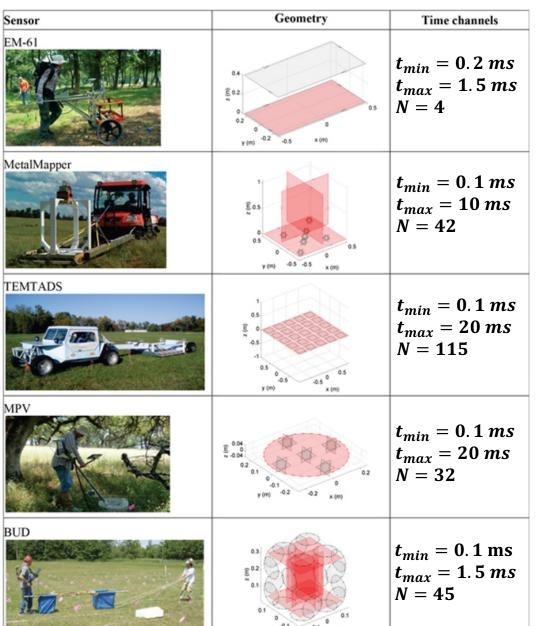
EM-61

MetalMapper

**TEMTADS** 

MPV

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## Survey Design

### **Line and Station Spacing:**

- Depends on dimensions and depth of targets and system being used.
- Insufficient sampling makes locating and classifying targets more challenging.

#### **Excitation Orientation**

- To recover polarization tensor, target must be polarized from as many angles as possible.
- May require multiple passes with single transmitter or use of multi-transmitter system.

#### **Time Channels**

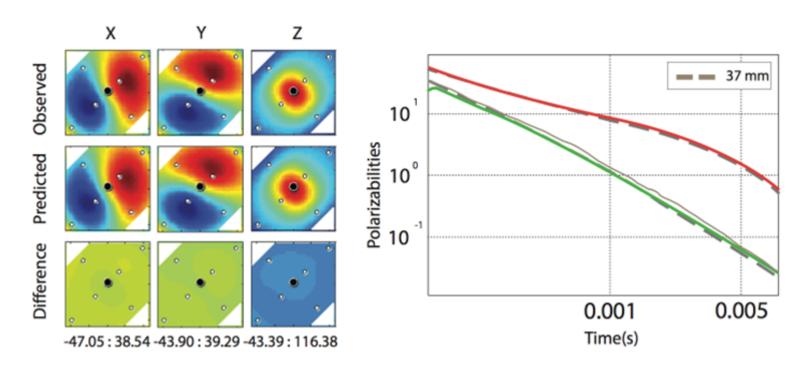
Sufficient time-channels required to characterize decay behaviour.







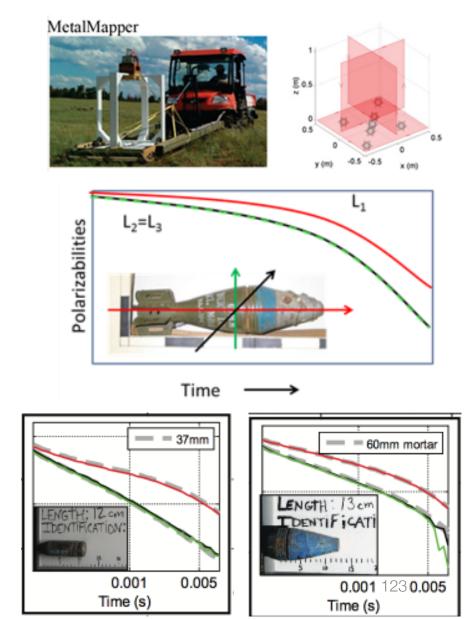
## Example: Metal Mapper Data



- Polarizations indicate a cylindrical object
- Predicted data using recovered polarization tensor fits the observed data
- Recovered polarizations match those of a 37 mm projectile

## Summary

- UXO are compact conductive permeable objects
- EM is ideal survey
- Requires multiple transmitters and receivers
- Processing yields polarization curves
- Discrimination



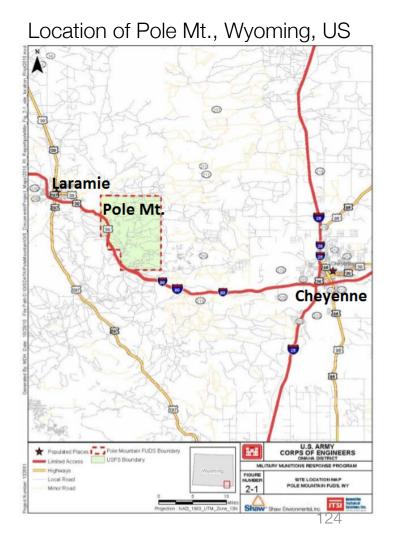
## Field Example: Pole Mountain

### **History**

- Periods of military use 1897-1961
- Many types of munitions (explosive projectiles, mortars, small arms)
- Land reclamation currently not possible

#### Goals:

- Test classification algorithm on different objects
- Determine dig/no dig list for targets



## Field Example: Pole Mountain

#### EM61-MK2:

- Efficient over rugged terrain
- Single Tx and Rx loops
- Located 2,368 anomalies

### **Metal Mapper:**

- Multiple Tx and Rx loops
- Cued interrogation data over anomalies
- Data used for classification and prioritize diglist

EM61-MK2 (locate anomalies)

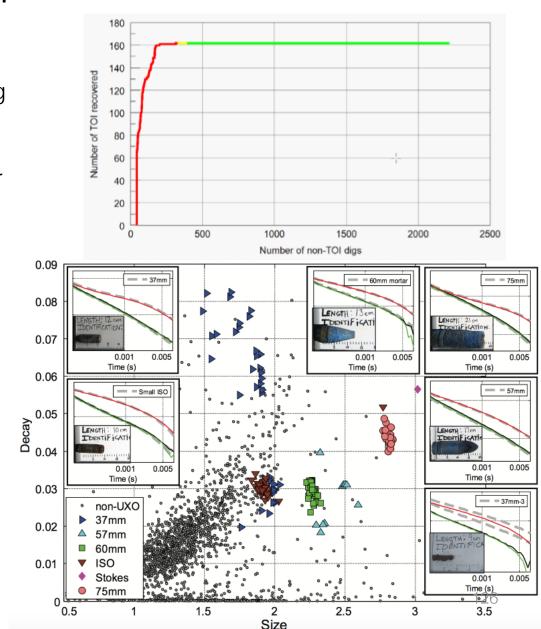


Metal Mapper (cued interrogation)



## Field example: Pole Mountain

- All 2,368 TEM anomalies were dug to verify
- 1,829 correctly identified as clutter or assigned to no dig through classification
- Only 453 non-munition items dug before all 160 munition items dug.
- 99% of munition items located within first ~300 digs
- Correctly identified all types of munititons.



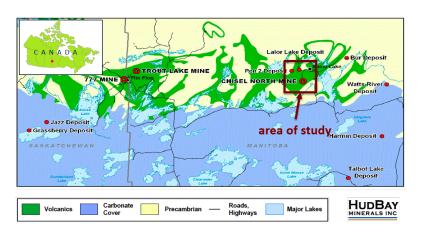
### Case History: HeliSAM at Lalore

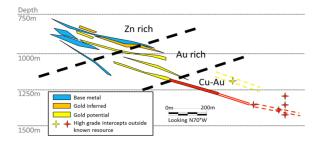
Yang & Oldenburg, 2016

### Setup

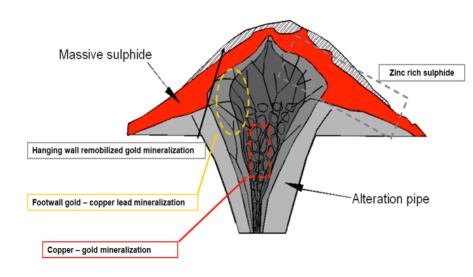
### Geological framework

- Zinc-rich massive sulfides (Cap)
- Cu-Au sulfides: (stringers) within pipe
- Disseminated sulfides around deposit





### Typical cross-section

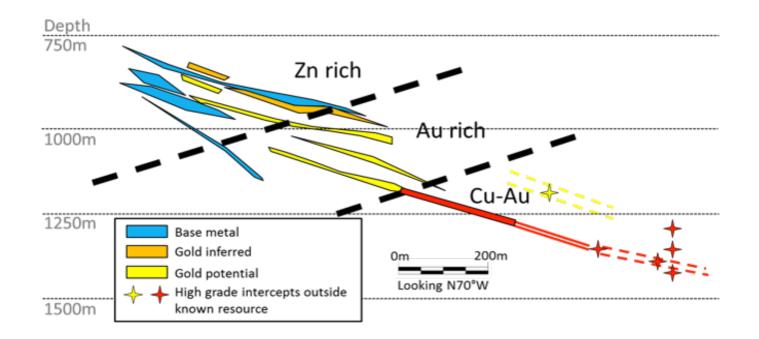


#### Goal:

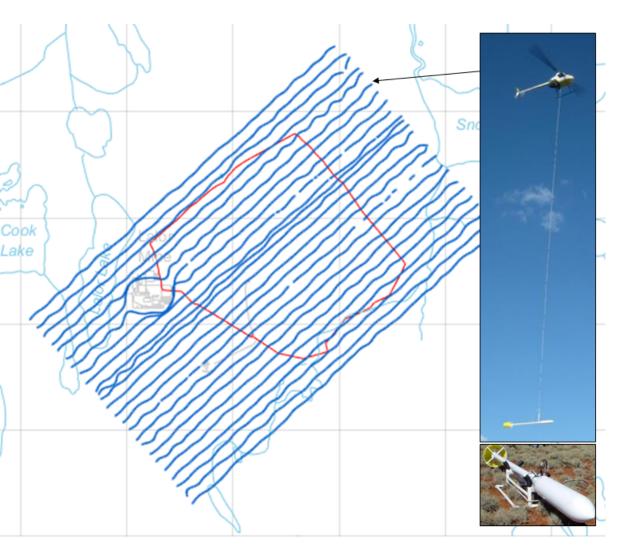
- Find deposits
- TDEM to find deeper off-hole targets

# Properties

Rocks/minerals	Resistivity
volcanics	~1000 Ωm
sulfides	~ 1 Ωm



### Survey: HeliSAM



Transmitter: (Red)

Ground loop (~2km)

Waveform: 7.5 Hz, 50%

Ramp turn-off 0.4ms

### Receiver:

Cesium Vapor Mag

• 16 Time Ch: 0.42-27 ms

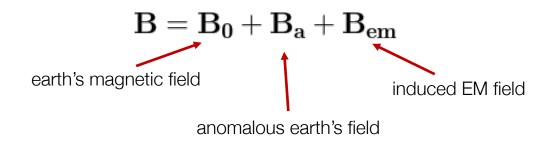
Flight lines: (Blue)

100 m spacing,

Data every 5 m

### Data

Measure total field



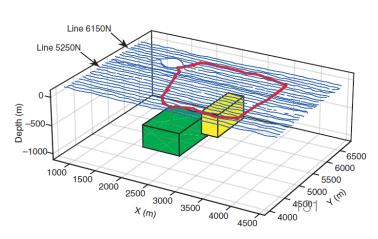
Project secondary fields onto  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_0$ 

$$\Delta |\mathbf{B}| = |\mathbf{B_0} + \mathbf{B_a} + \mathbf{B_{em}}| - |\mathbf{B_0}|$$
$$\approx (\mathbf{B_a} + \mathbf{B_{em}}) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{B}_0}$$

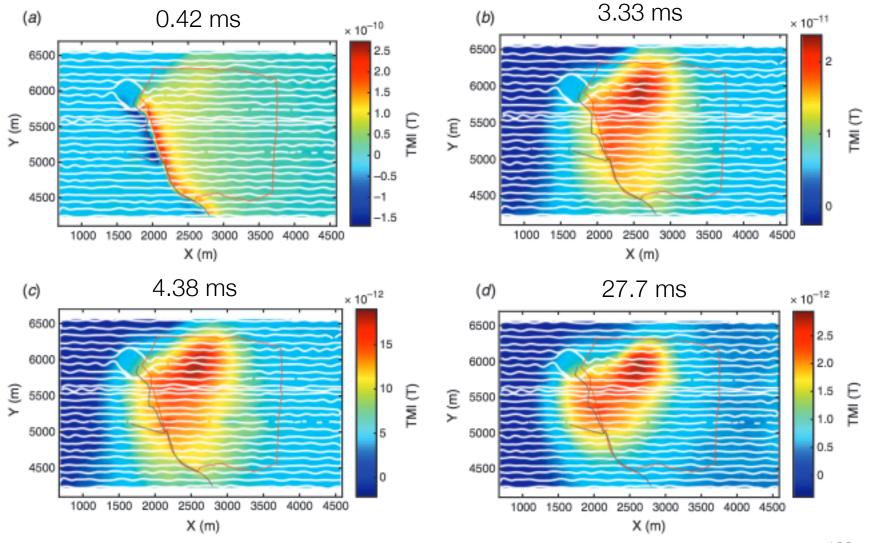
- Change polarity on TX
- Subtract to obtain HeliSAM data

$$\Delta |\mathbf{B}| \approx \mathbf{B_{em}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{B}}_0$$



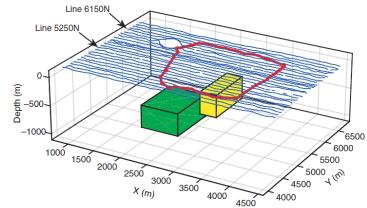


### Data



## Processing: Inversion of Late Time Data

- Discard early time data
  - Contaminated by infrastructure
- Invert Time Ch 8-16 (4.44-28 ms)
- Inversion needs a "warm start"
  - Maxwell used to generate 2 prisms



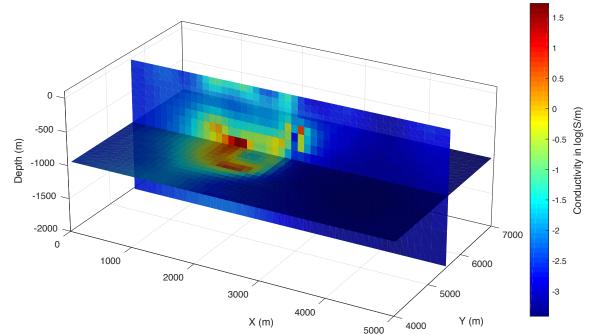
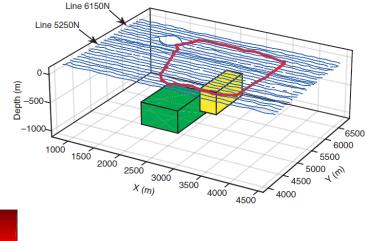
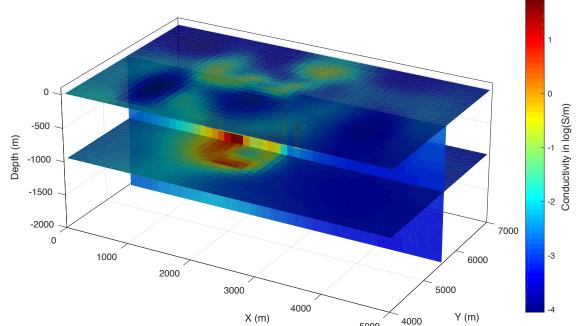


Image deep structure

### Processing: Inversion of Late Time Data

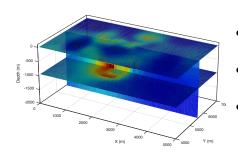
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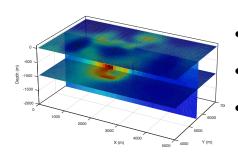
- Image deep structure
- See near surface conductive features

### Processing: Inversion of Early Time Data

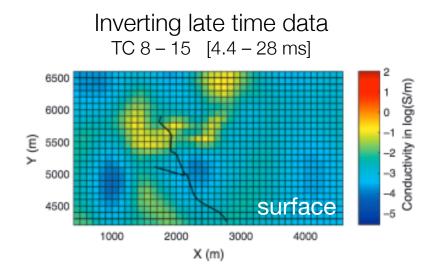


- Late-time inversion sees deep structure
- Some conductive features near surface
- What is the effect of throwing away the early time data?

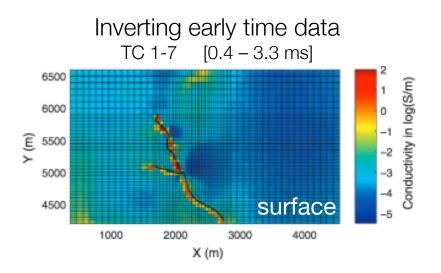
### Processing: Inversion of Early Time Data



- Late-time inversion sees deep structure
- Some conductive features near surface
- What is the effect of throwing away the early time data?



 erroneous near surface structure



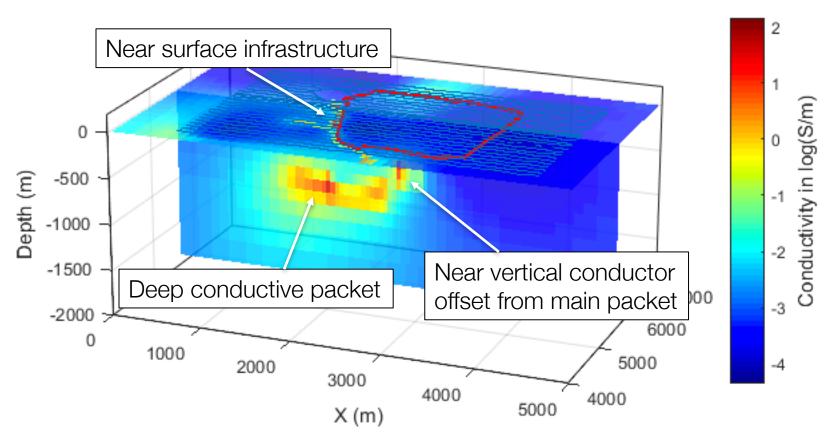
 information about infrastructure and near-surface conductivity

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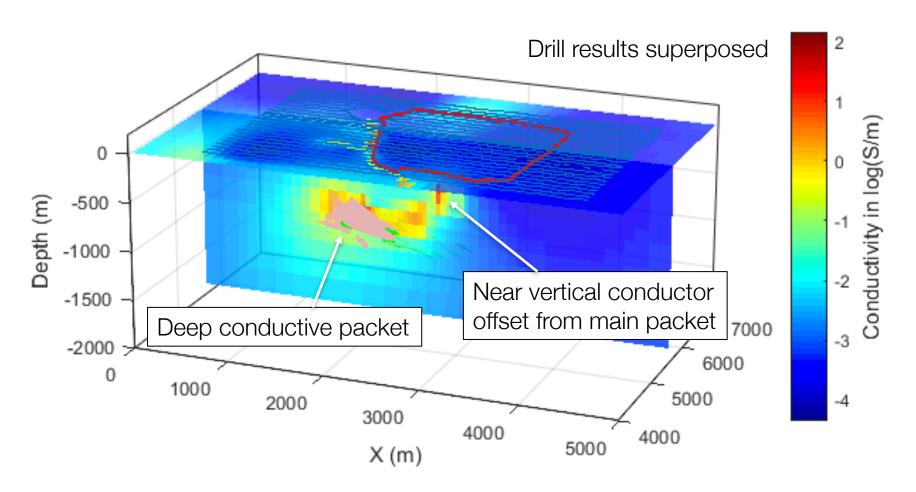
### Processing: Inversion of all time channels

### Starting and reference model:

- High conductivity from early time inversion
- Two conductive blocks

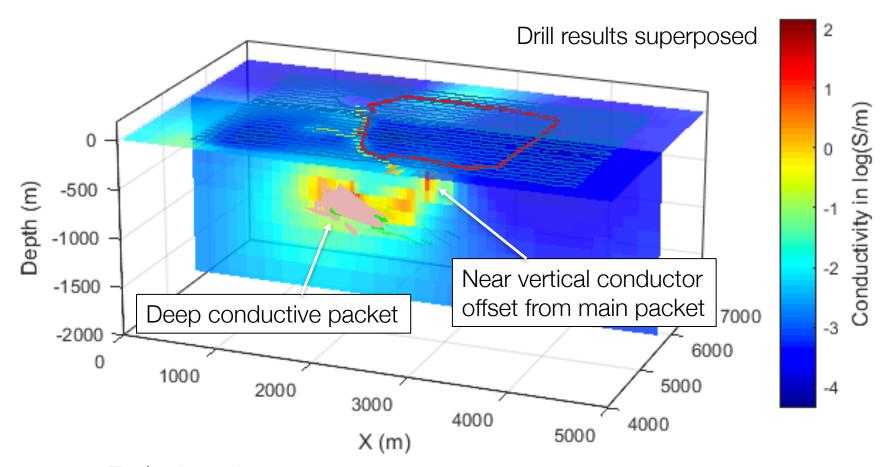


### Synthesis



- Imaged main known conductive bodies
- Second conductor: recently drilled and contained sulfides (argillite)

### Takeaways



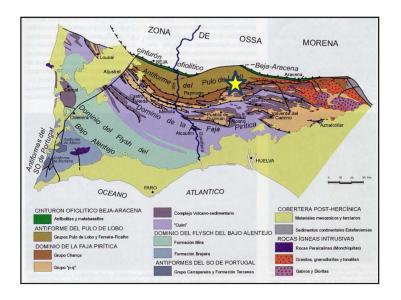
- Early time data:
  - constrain near surface structure infrastructure
  - Improved inversion for late time
- Warm start of inversion was necessary for deep conductors

## Case History: La Magdalena

Granda et al., 2016

### Setup

### Geological setting

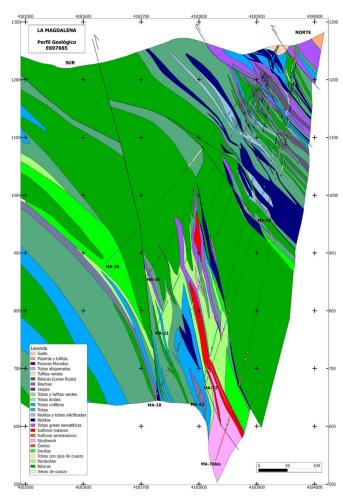


- Volcano-Sedimentary (VS) mineralization
- Thin, steeply dipping veins

### **Goal:** Find deposits

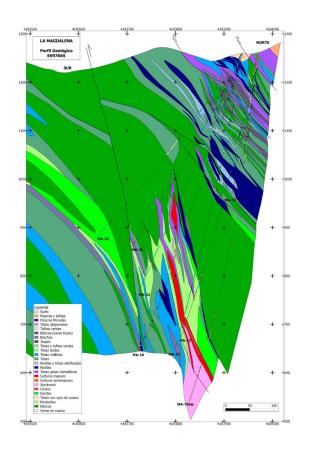
Use borehole TDEM to find deeper, off-hole targets

### Typical cross section



# Properties

Rock type	Resistivity	Density	Mag sus
Sulfide bodies	Low (<10 Ωm)	High (> 4g/cc)	Low
Host Rock (VS)	High		Low



# Surveys: Strategic Campaigns

Goal	Survey	Detail
Find potential targets	VTEM	350 km <sup>2</sup>
Evaluate continuity of mineralization	Mise-a-la-Masse	Single current in ore body
Methodological Tests	ERT	Pole-dipole along a single line
	Surface TEM: Turam configuration	
	Surface TEM: Slingram configuration	
Find off-hole conductors	Borehole TDEM	Surface transmitter Borehole receivers

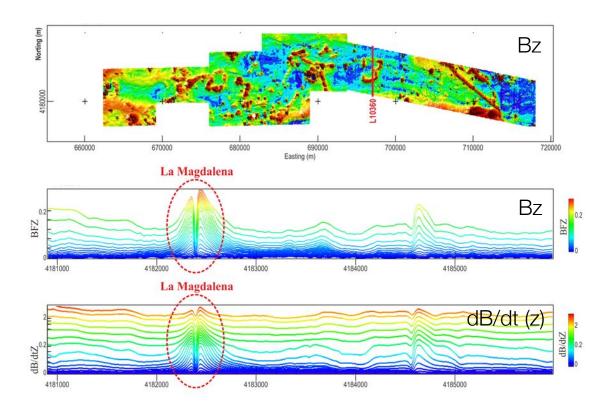
## Initial Discovery: VTEM

### VTEM airborne survey

- 350 km<sup>2</sup> area
- N-S lines,100m 200m spacing
- Measure:
  - dB/dt (x, z)
  - Bz, Bx
  - Mag.

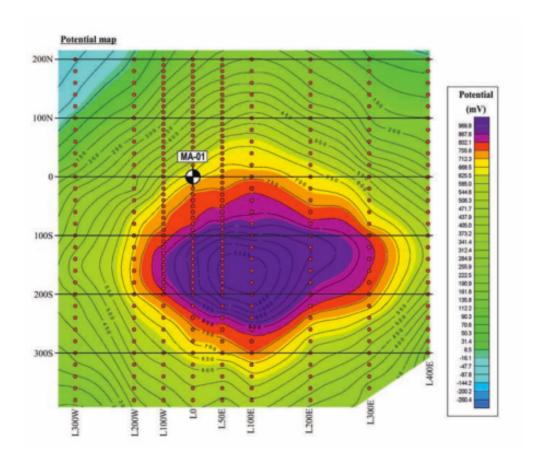
### Survey Parameters

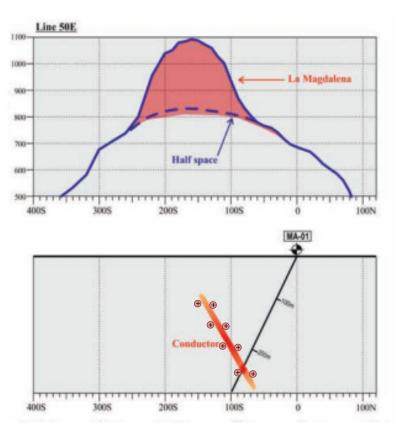
Sensor height	50 m
TX radius	17.5 m
Current Peak in TX	234 A
Magnetic Moment in TX	900.437 nIA
Z oriented RX radius	0.6m
Z oriented RX # turns	100
X oriented RX radius	0.16m
X oriented RX # turns	245



### Evaluation: Mise-a-la-masse

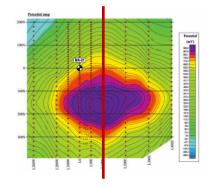
- Electrode coupled to massive sulphides at 230m
- Measure potentials (gradient mode) on surface

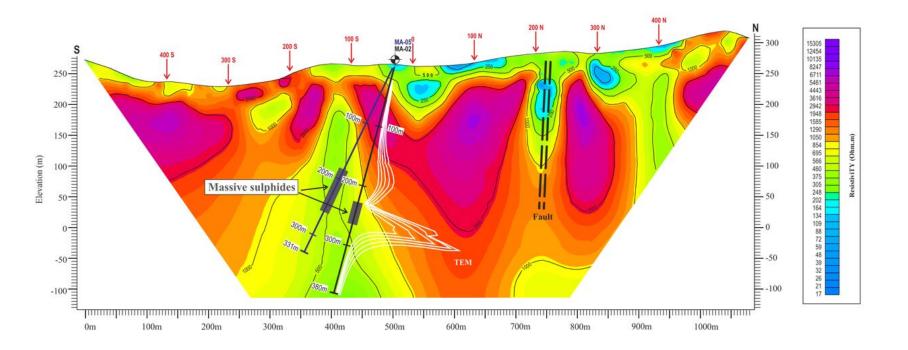




## Methodological Test: ERT

- Pole-dipole
  - a = 20m and n = 40



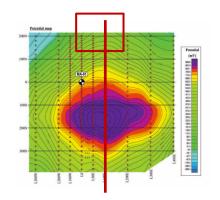


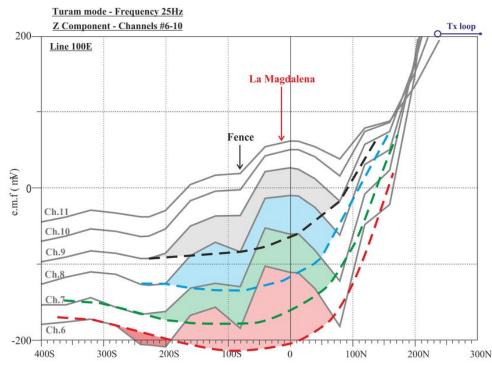
Results: found a moderately low resistivity region, not as low as anticipated 146

## Methodological Test: Turam

- Ground based, fixed loop: Turam
- PROTEM induction coil
  - RX Equivalent area: 100 m²
- TX located several hundred meters north of mineralization
  - (ensure good EM coupling)

Specification	Turam
TX Loop size	700 m x 400 m
TX-RX synchronization	Crystal
Current pulses	15.5 A
T/O time	295 µs
Measured parameters	dBdt (z, x)
Base frequency	Hi: 25 Hz MD: 6.25 Hz
Measurement mode	Off time

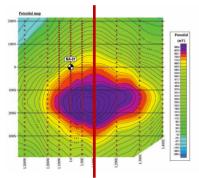


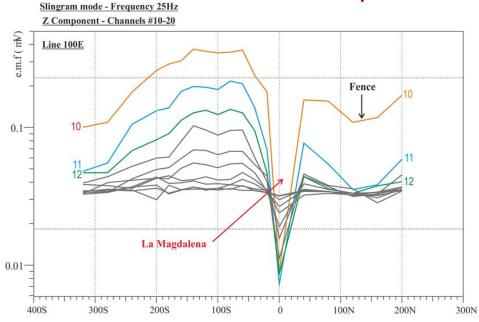


## Methodological Test: Slingram

- Ground based, moving loop: Slingram
- PROTEM induction coil
  - RX Equivalent area: 100 m²

Specification	Turam	Slingram
TX Loop size	700 m x 400 m	100 m x 100 m
TX-RX synchronization	Crystal	Ref. Cable
Current pulses	15.5 A	22 A
T/O time	295 µs	75 µs
Measured parameters	dBdt (z, x)	dBdt (z, x)
Base frequency	Hi: 25 Hz MD: 6.25 Hz	Hi: 25 Hz MD: 6.25 Hz
Measurement mode	Off time	Off time

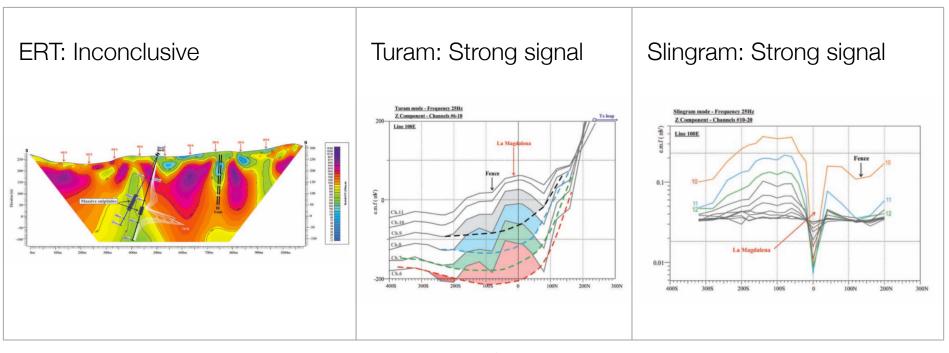




Characteristic plate-like conductor. Dipping north

Results: Strong detectability. 148

# Methodological Test: Final choice Turam

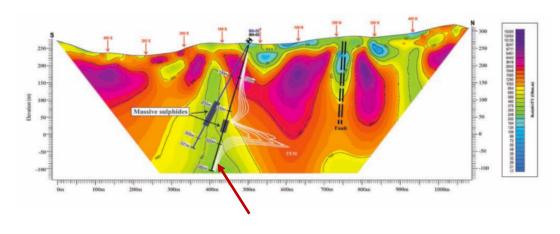




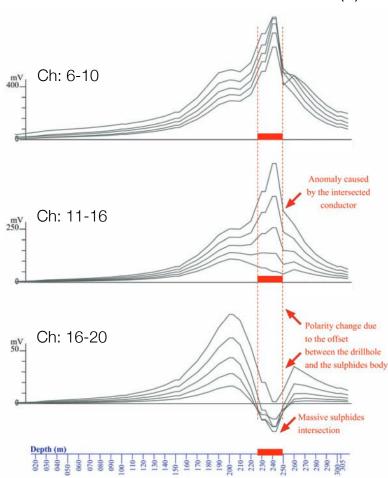
### Borehole TDEM

### PROTEM system

- TEM-67 transmitter
- BH-43-3D probe (3-components)
- Base Frequencies: Hi (25 Hz), MD (6.25 Hz)

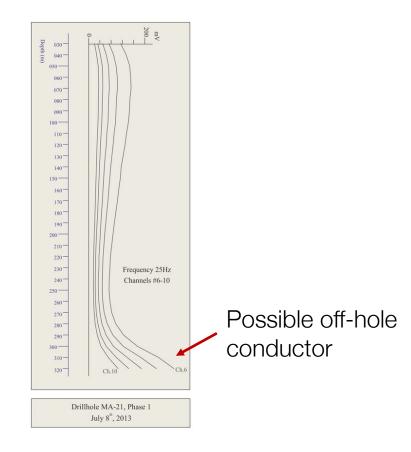


### db/dt (z)



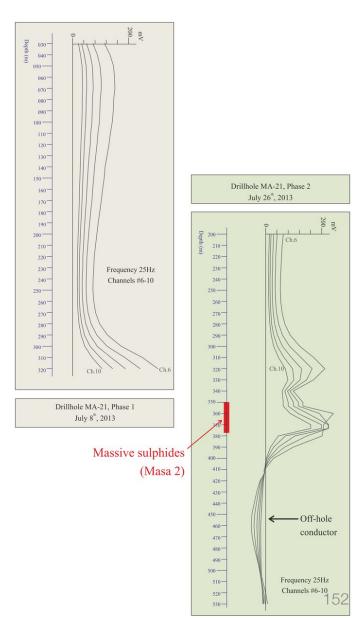
## Borehole TDEM: Discovery of Masa 2

- Borehole TDEM carried out using multiple drillholes
- MA-21 drilled to 320m (Phase 1)
  - Did not intersect mineralization
  - Indicate an off-hole conductor



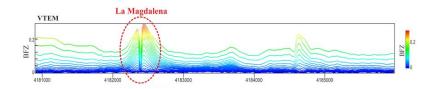
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- MA-21 drilled to 320m (Phase 1)
  - Did not intersect mineralization
  - Indicate an off-hole conductor
- MA-21 drilled to 520m (Phase 2)
  - Mineralization 350-370m

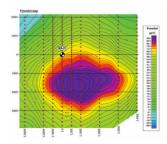


## Synthesis

VTEM: initial discovery



Mise a la Masse: evaluation

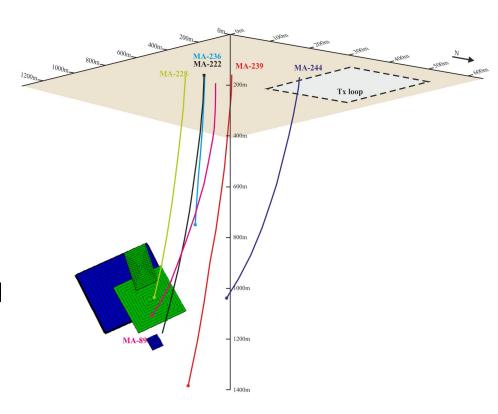


- Ground surveys: methodological tests
  - ERT
  - Turam



Slingram

Borehole TDEM: find off-hole conductors



### **End of Inductive Sources**

