


Upstream Data Management in the 2020s: New uses for old skills in the world of Big Data

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An aerial photograph showing a large, dark, lattice-structured offshore oil rig being towed by several tugboats in a wide body of water. The rig is oriented vertically in the frame. In the background, a coastal area with industrial buildings and two large cranes is visible. The water is choppy, and the overall scene depicts a major maritime engineering project.

Our workflows
haven't really
changed much
since the first data
started coming
back to shore with
the oil...

... but now we must run our workflows at the pace of the business processes to ensure maximum value...



How do you optimise logistics and maintenance to minimise shut-ins?

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Data-driven operations

Since 2004, UPS has eliminated millions of miles off delivery routes through advanced analytics. They've:

- Saved 45 million litres of fuel (\$3.5M/yr)
- Reduced CO₂ emissions by 100,000 tons, equivalent to 5,300 passenger cars off the road for an entire year.



...from an operational
viewpoint...

Where do you site a well to
maximise profitability?



...from an operational viewpoint...

Data-driven development

Walmart, and many other retailers, routinely integrate functional domains and value chains. New stores are sited based on:

- Potential revenues of product mix
- Cost of supply to store from one of Walmart's 3200 Supercenters
- Daily/Monthly/Seasonal effects
- Long-term demographics

...and from a strategic planning viewpoint



How do you optimise production
and development on mature fields?

...and from a strategic planning viewpoint

Data-driven planning

Since 2007, Daimler has relied on an integrated view of all production line, diagnostic and dealership data for cars and trucks.

They can:

- Identify emerging problems in vehicles within weeks, and correct production processes accordingly.
- Reduce long-term warranty cost and development risk.



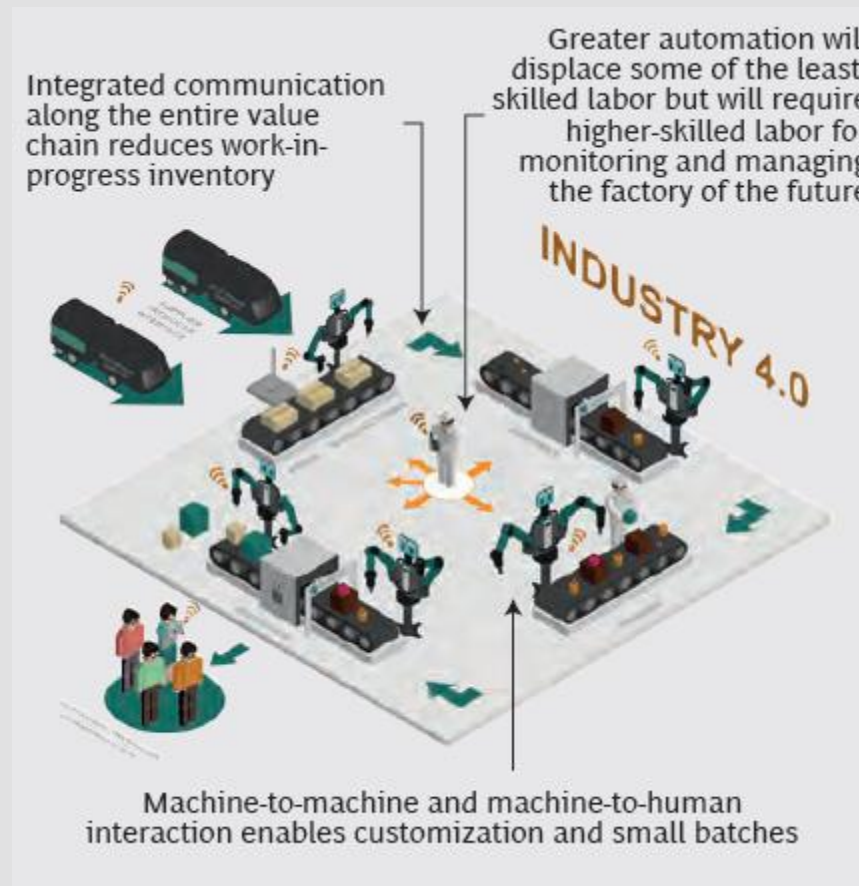
Oil & Gas isn't the only industry where everything is more joined up and going faster

Industry 4.0 is changing traditional manufacturing relationships
From isolated optimized cells...

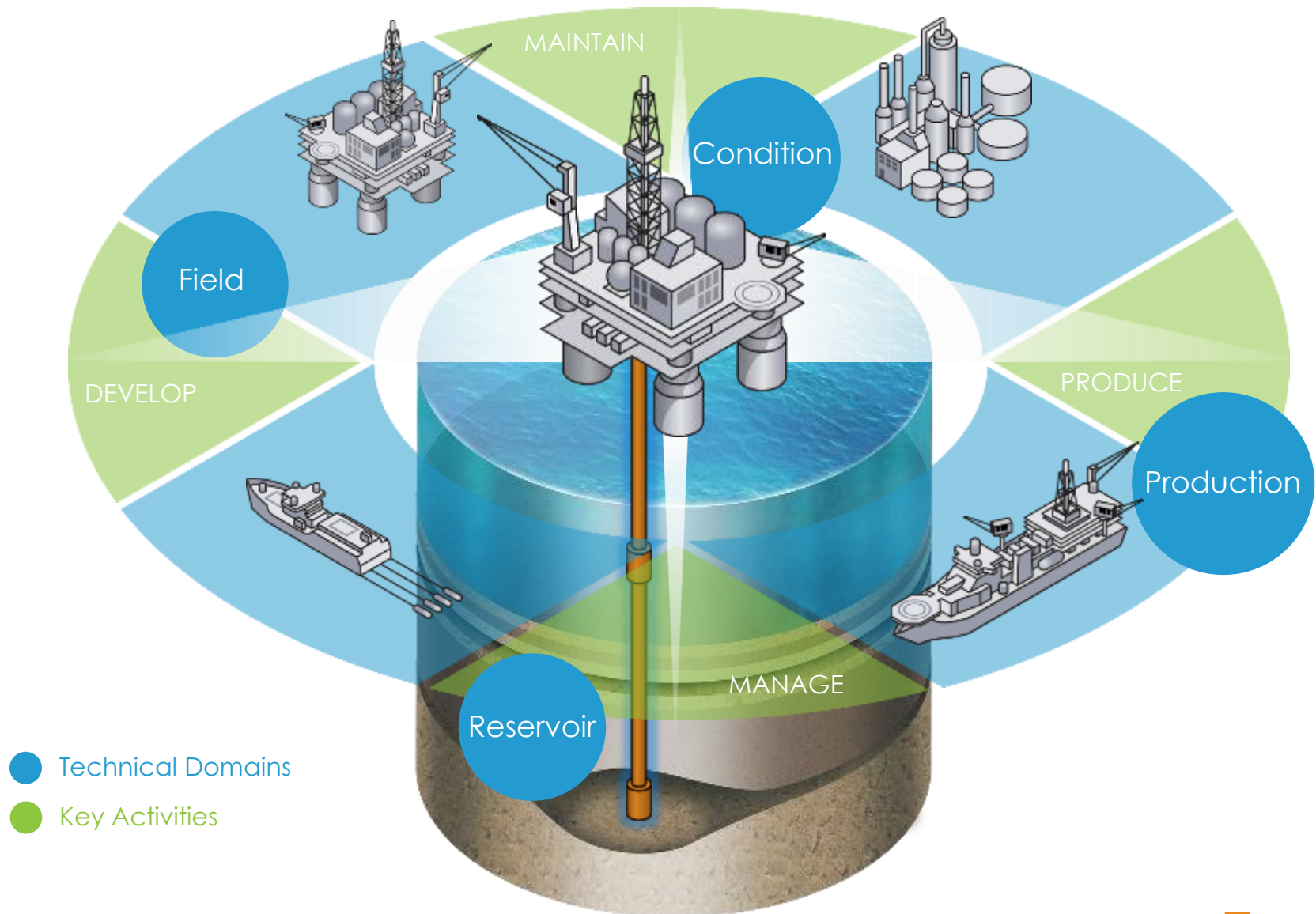


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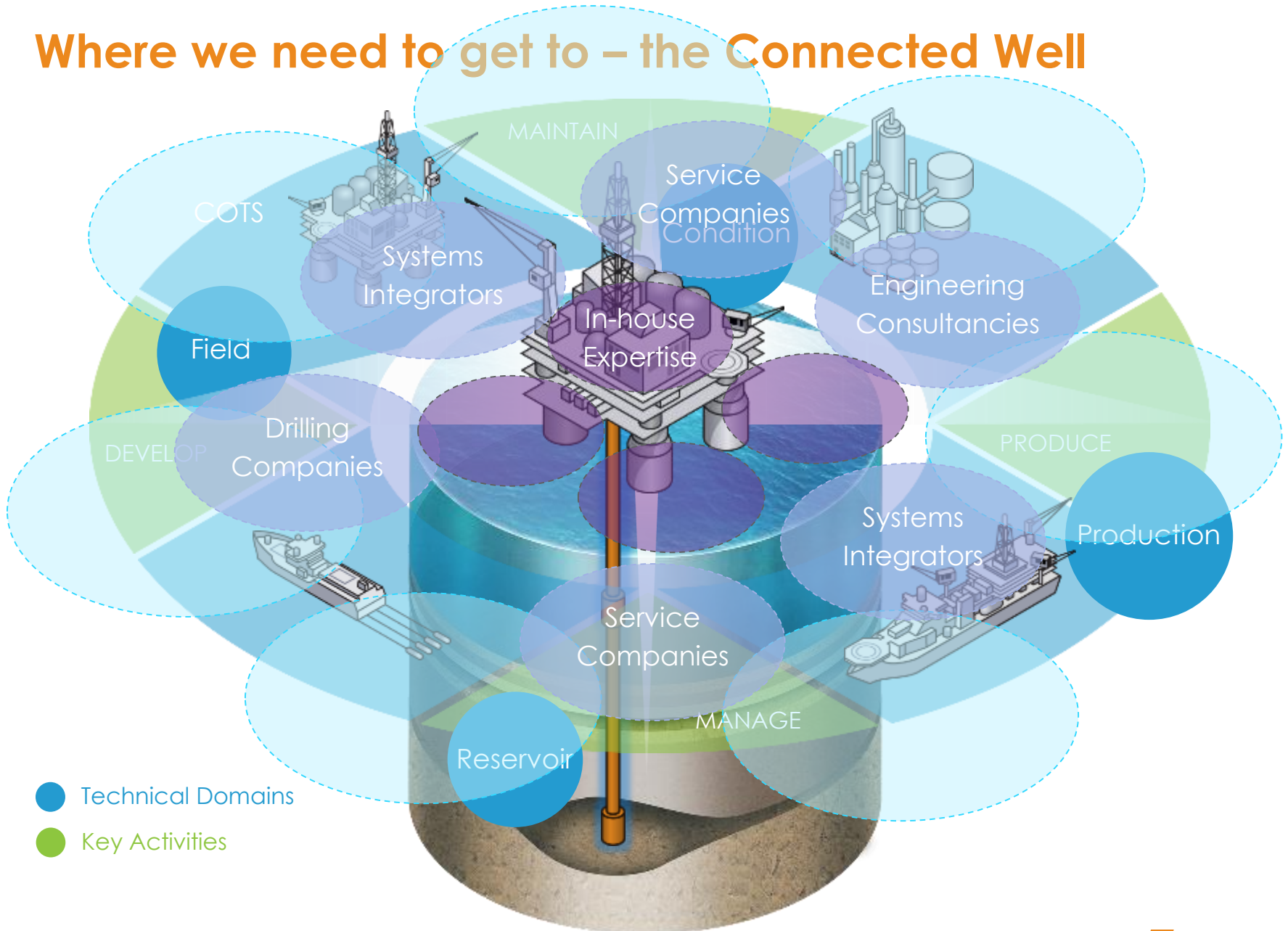
Industry 4.0 is changing traditional manufacturing relationships
...to fully integrated data and product flows across borders



How does this look in E&P? Currently...



Where we need to get to – the Connected Well



● Technical Domains

● Key Activities

What does this mean for data management?

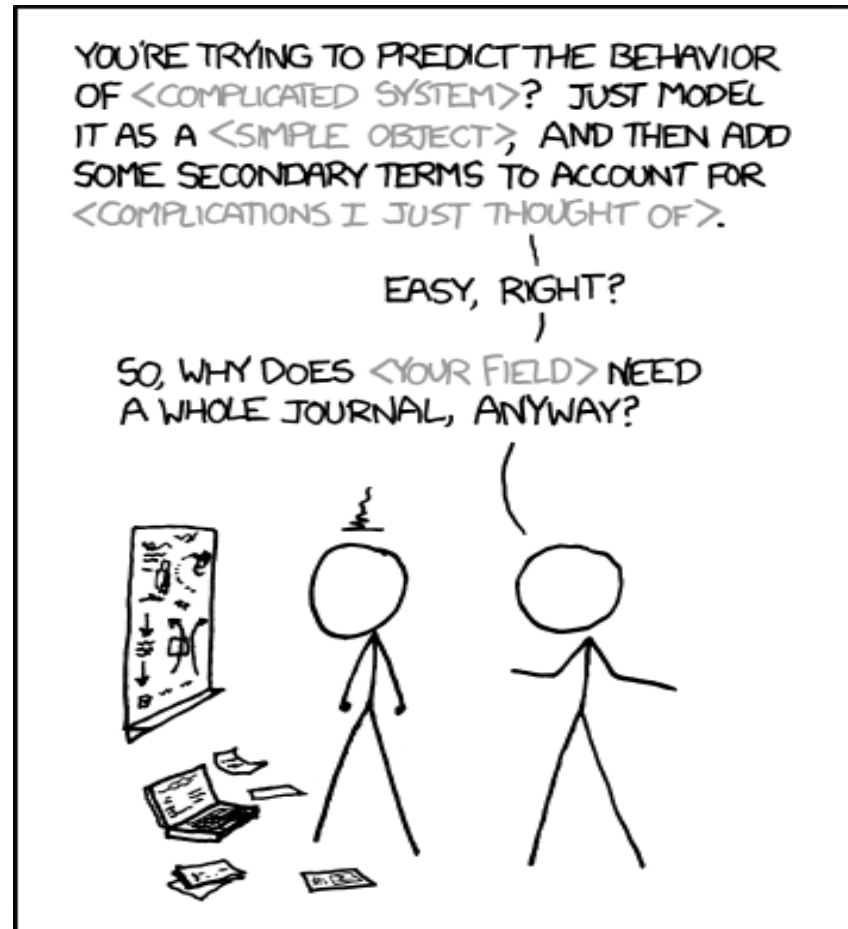
The amount of data captured and the speed at which it must be contextualised is our Big Data problem

Upstream IT is the way it is for a reason – **(my six S's)**

- Size
- Science
- Spatial
- Speed
- Sustainability
- Sikkerhet



Why is it so difficult?



LIBERAL-ARTS MAJORS MAY BE ANNOYING SOMETIMES, BUT THERE'S *NOTHING* MORE OBNOXIOUS THAN A PHYSICIST FIRST ENCOUNTERING A NEW SUBJECT.

Source: xkcd.com



Our data
managers are
**highly skilled
“librarians”**
who want to
deploy their
domain
expertise
much more
than they do

What will the new data manager look like?

How can data managers enable this?

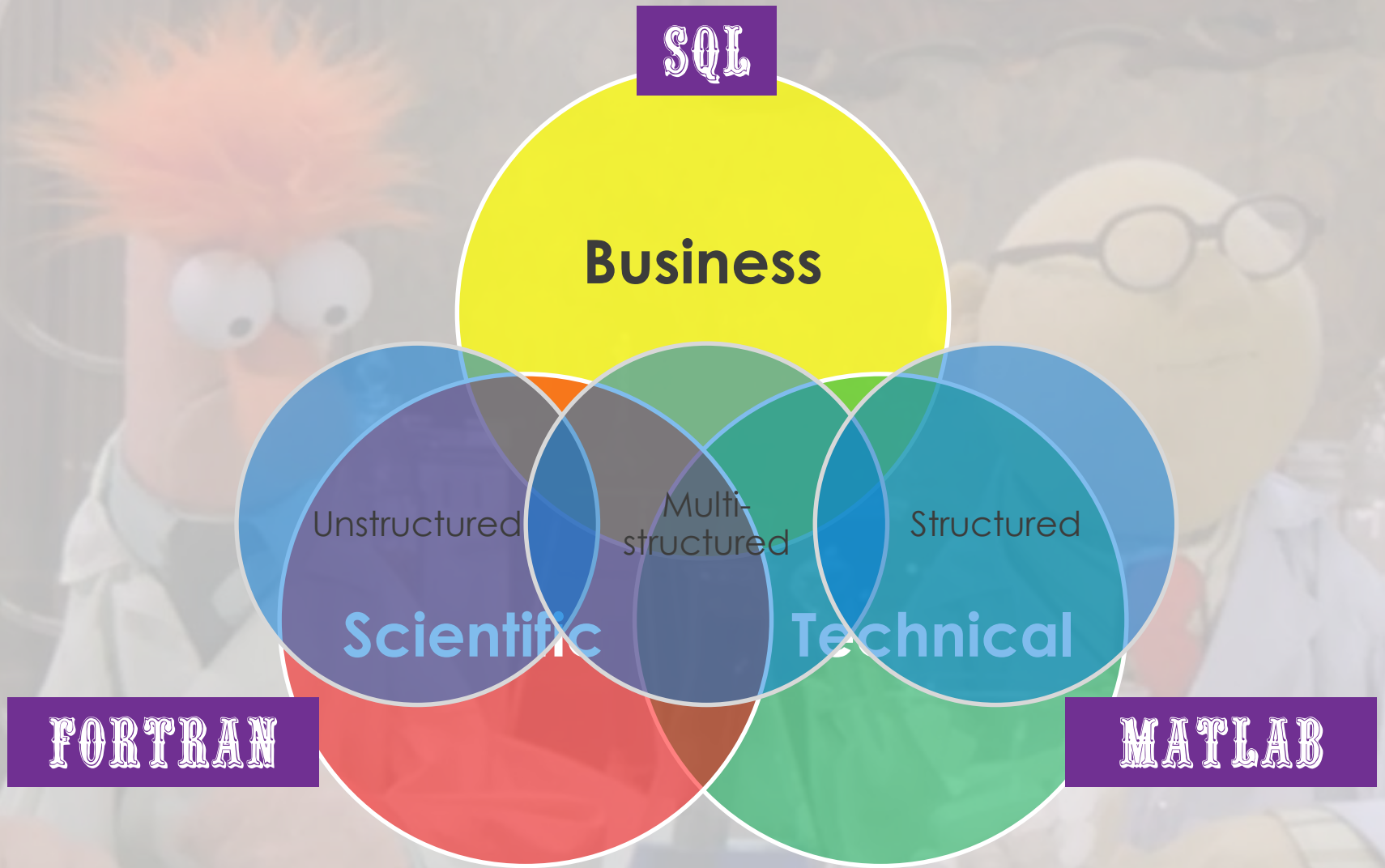
- Use your understanding of the data to enable better re-use for analytics
- Use your knowledge of the business processes to build-in discovery and scalability
- Don't fear the unknown – other industries have travelled down this path too



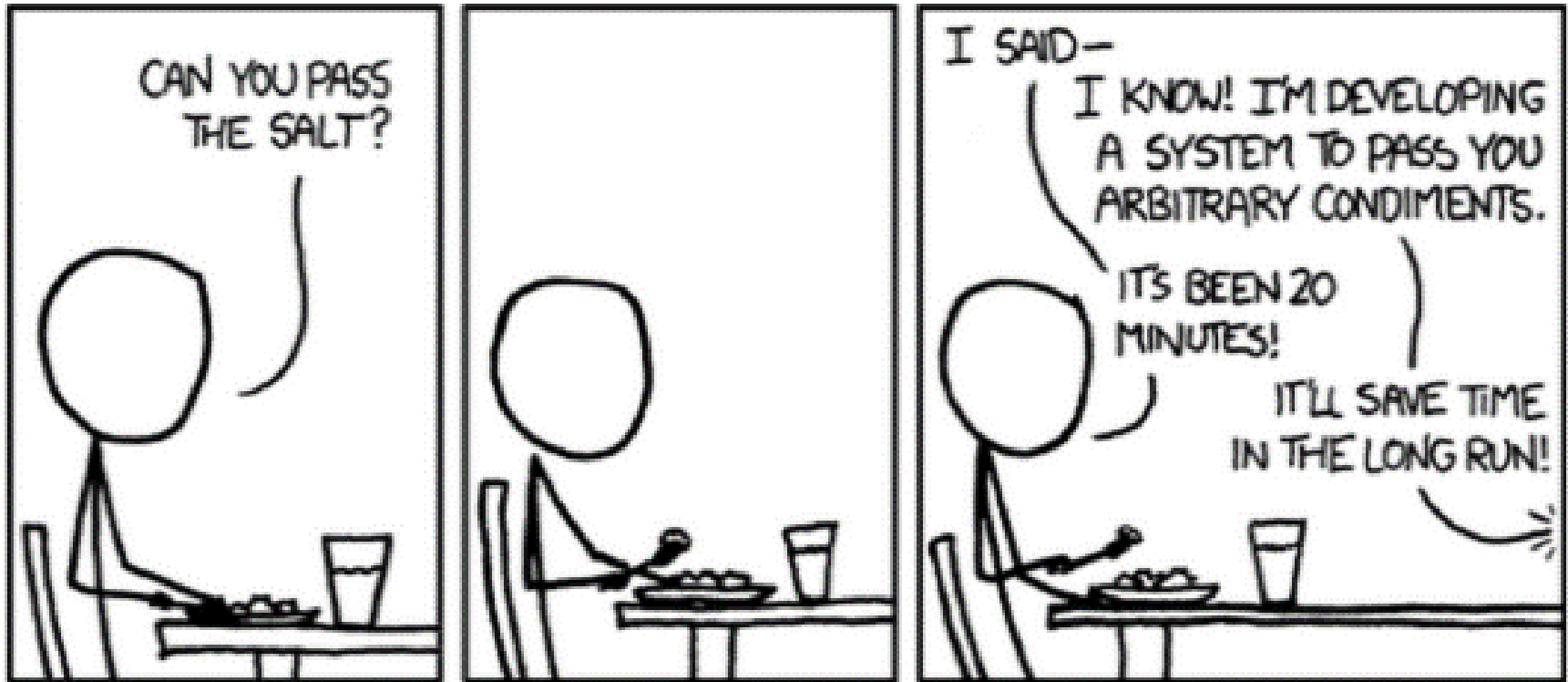
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How does a company get started?



Source: xkcd.com

Basin-scale prospectivity analytics

What can we learn from a basin's worth of subsurface data in six weeks?

6 week project undertaken by a MSc student at the University of Manchester with public access data from New Zealand:

- Clean data
- Establish context
- Define targets
- Establish reliability

Supported by Teradata Oil & Gas and Analytics teams

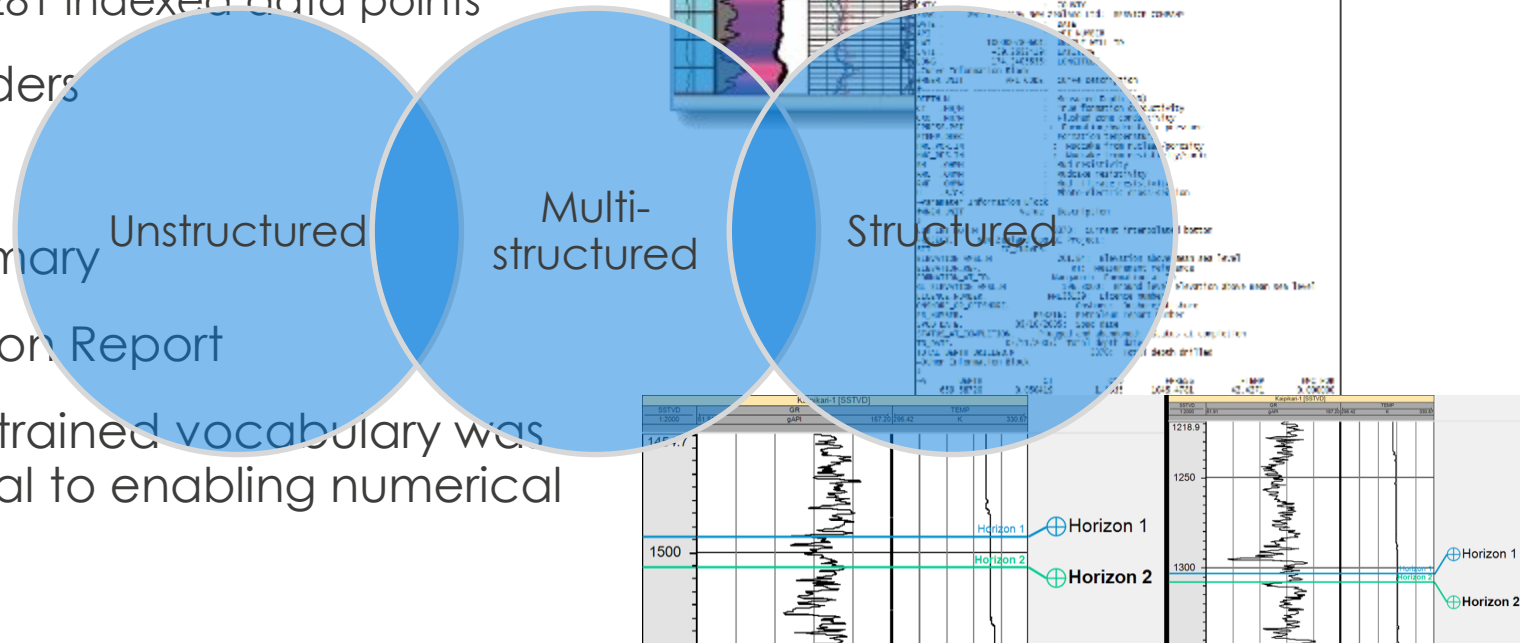


Technical goal: Integrate data

Establishing logical, spatial and stratigraphic relationships across wells

Created pragmatic data model from:

- LAS files
 - 521 wells
 - 25,081 curves
 - 81,141,281 indexed data points
- Well headers
- Mud logs
- Well summary
- Completion Report



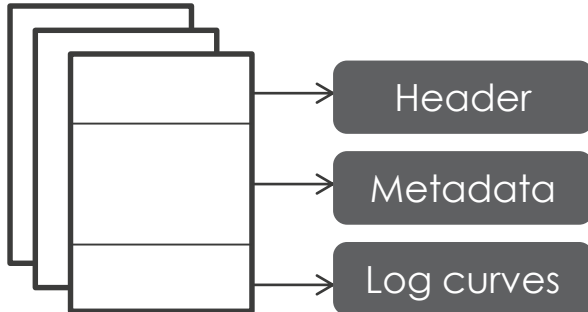
A well constrained vocabulary was fundamental to enabling numerical analysis

1/ Take wells apart and add geological context

Geological data

Calcareous sandstone interbedded with calcareous siltstone, interbedded mudstone, siltstone and sandstone, siltstone and mudstone with rare limestone stringers.
Calcareous mudstone, Limestone, Argillaceous siltstone and mudstone.
Sandstone, calcareous cement, Glauconitic siltstone and sandstone.
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LAS files



Cleansing

File version

Well summary

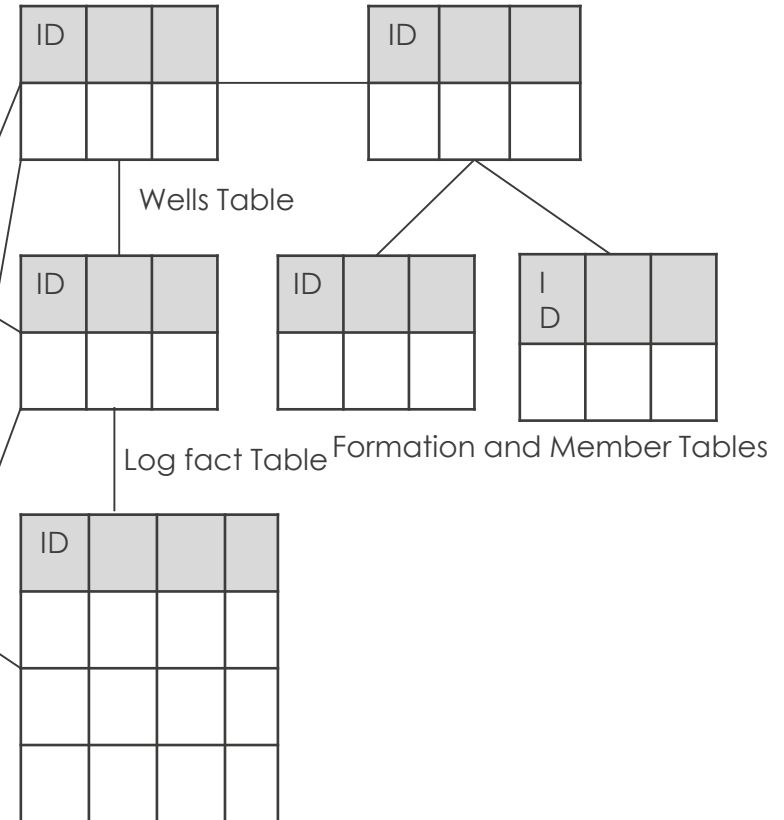
Logs taken

Well parameter

Other

ASCII Logs

Geological elements

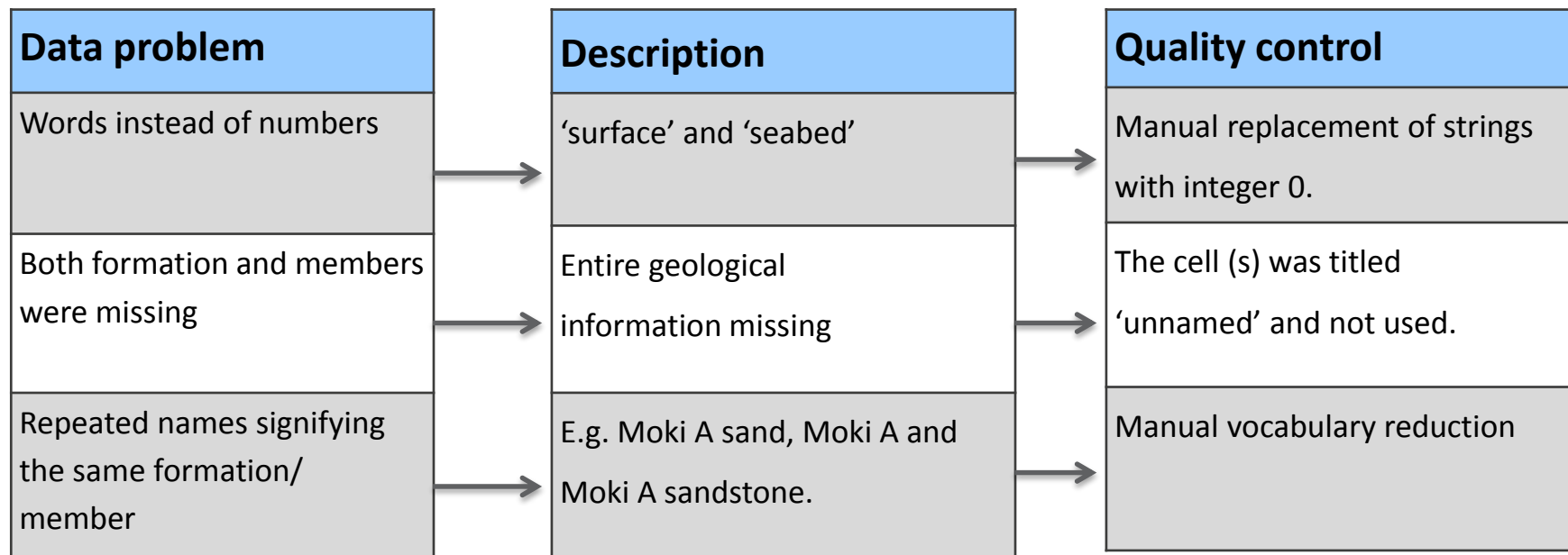


ASCII log Table

Cleaning the text data

<u>Formation name</u>	<u>Member name</u>
Moki formation	Moki
	Moki A
	Moki A Sandstone
	Moki B
	Moki B Sandstone
	Moki B Sandstone Interval
	Moki Equivalent

<u>Formation name</u>	<u>Member name</u>
Moki formation	Moki A Sandstone
	Moki B Sandstone



Symbolic Aggregate approXimation

Finding distinct peaks – e.g. thermal “spikes” around hot shales

base
dataset

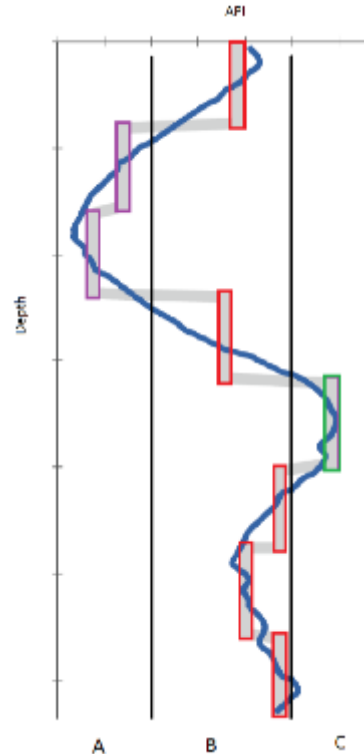
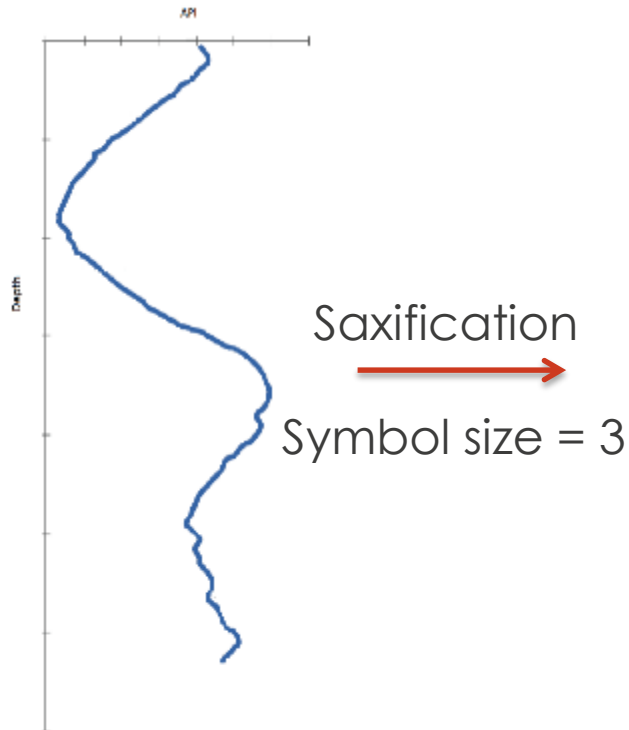
analytical
dataset

data
demographics

SAXify

match *similar*
text

locate

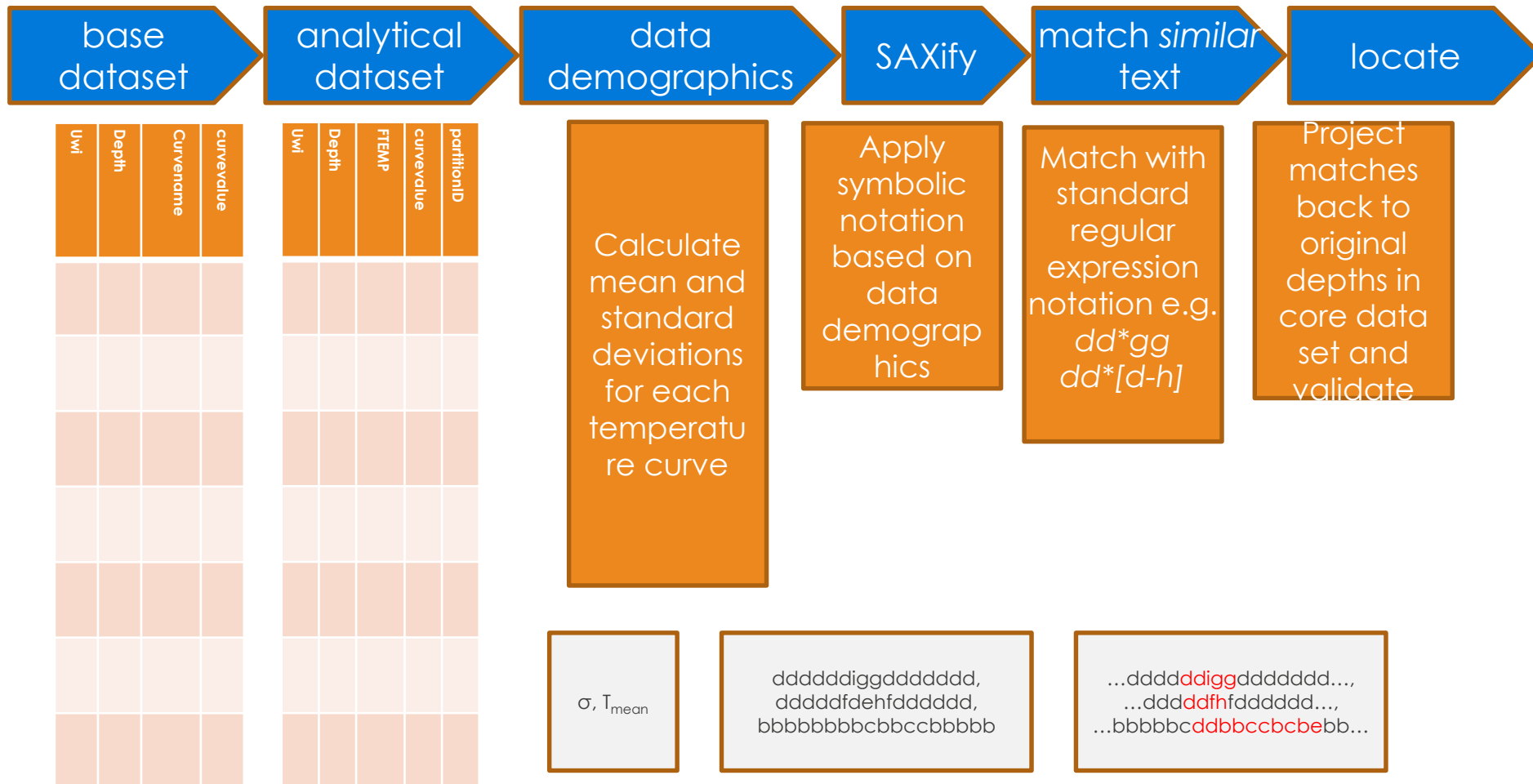


After
conversion

BAABCBBB

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Dynamic Time Warping

Workflow for classification of interbedded sandstone/mudstone and sandstone/siltstone facies:

base
dataset

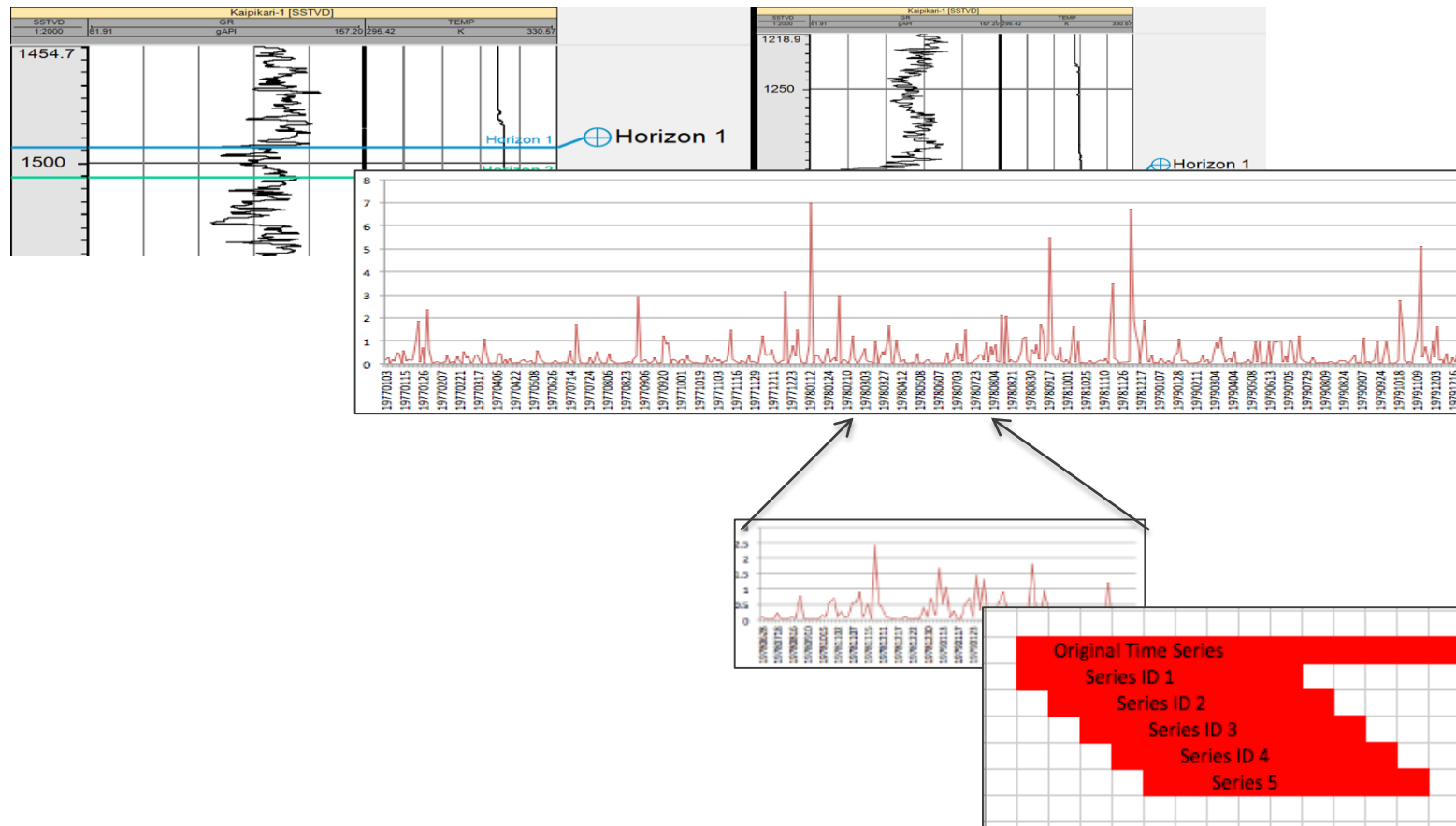
analytical
dataset

nPath

Rebuild and
pivot

Apply time
warping

locate



New insights

- A much clearer, simpler model of the reservoir with 62 members in 17 formations
- Identified un-noticed features (hot shales) and re-classified others (interbedded facies)
- Ask any question of the data with spatial, chronological and logical relationships – **at scale**
- An open-ended model to incorporate other data – **(next step: production histories)**

Conclusions



