

# Intelligent Field Development Plan (iFDP)

Paradigm Shift towards Digital Transformation for Dragon Oil

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# Dragon Oil

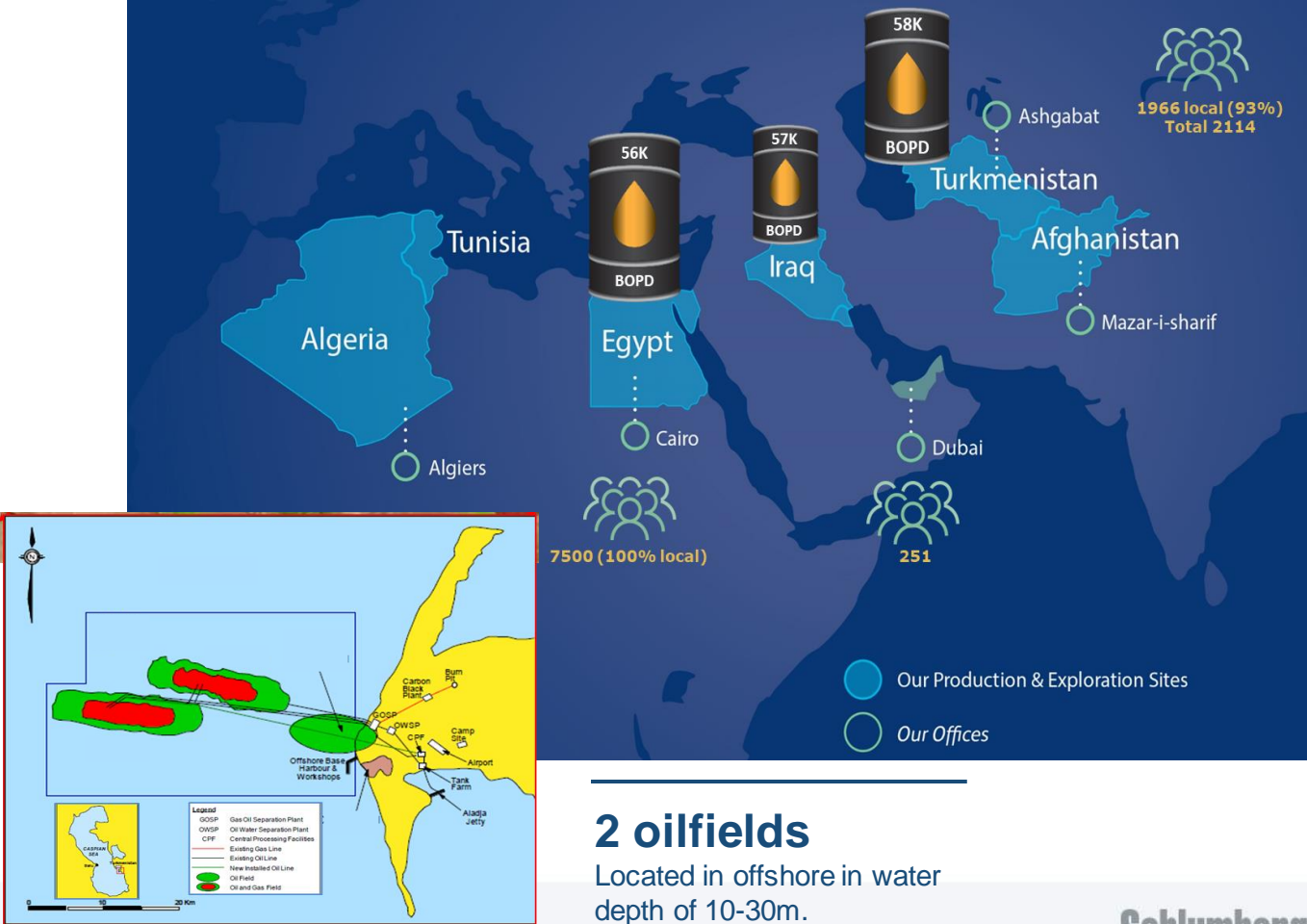
is an international oil and gas company with an established history and strong track record across the Middle East, North Africa and Caspian regions.



**~140,000**  
barrels of oil production  
per day



**~1 billion**  
barrels of equivalent of  
resource base



## 2 oilfields

Located in offshore in water  
depth of 10-30m.

# Challenges & KPIs

Challenges

## Subsurface



Poor recovery due to high **reservoir complexity**



Complex reservoir **fluids types**

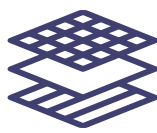


Challenging reservoir **water dynamics**



Complex well placement in **stacked & patchy sands**

## Productivity



**Large model size** with **long runtimes**



Time consuming **simulation & modeling workflows**

## Operationalization



Lack of **model operationalization**



Fast **outdating models**

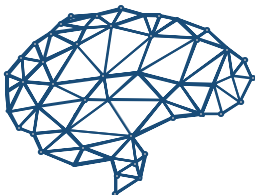
KPI

FDP lifecycle  
< 6 months

Efficiency  
gain > 75%

Production  
losses < 60%

# Solution Orchestration in DELFI



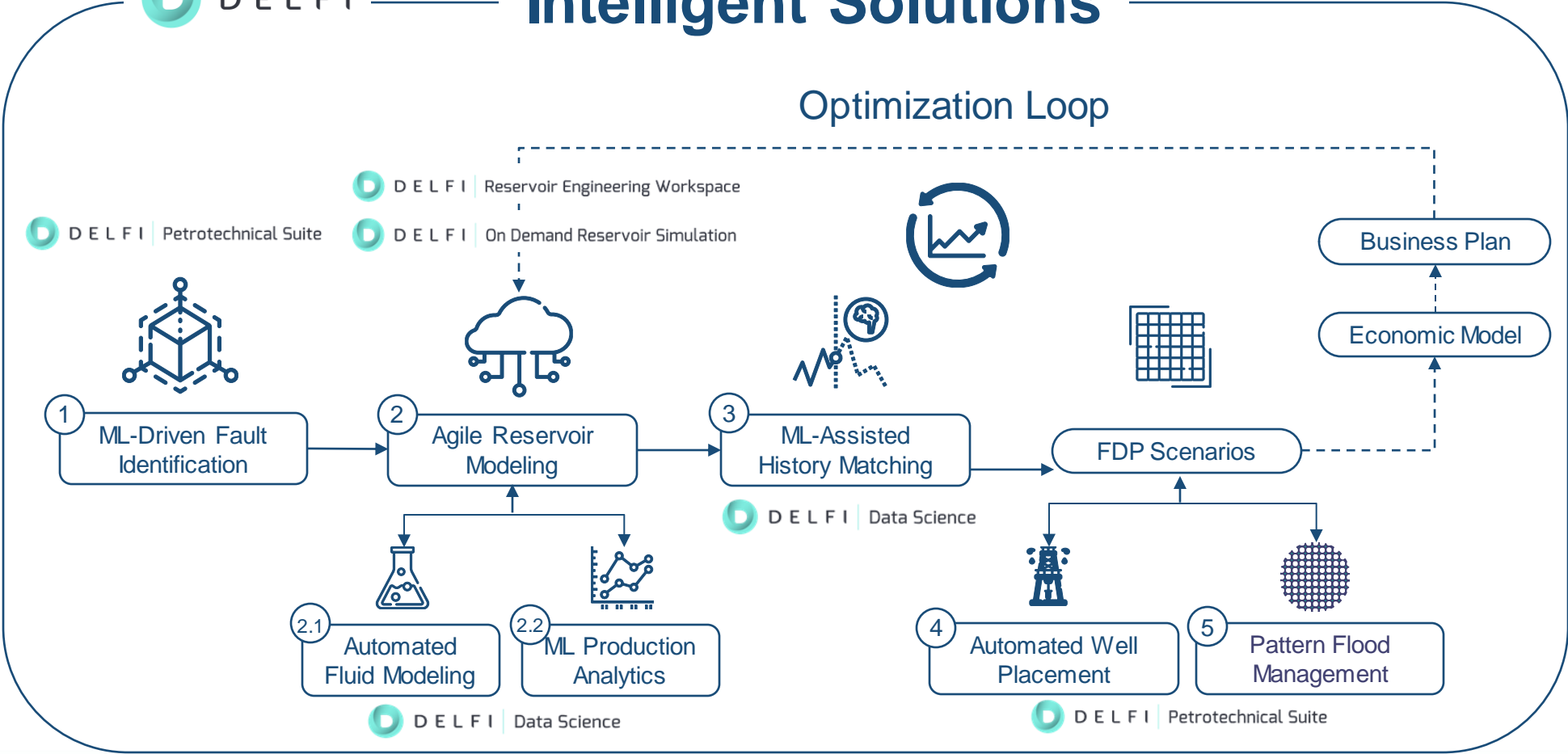
## Intelligent Solutions

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faster runs in DELFI compared to on premise setup (3,860 CPU hours).

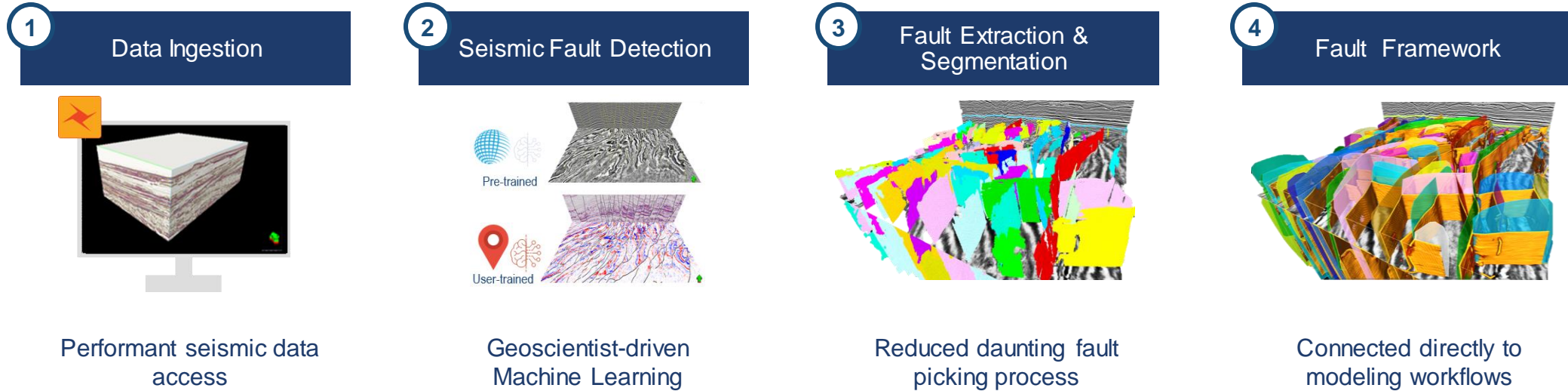
Hours

from days to hours in the cloud regardless of model complexity.

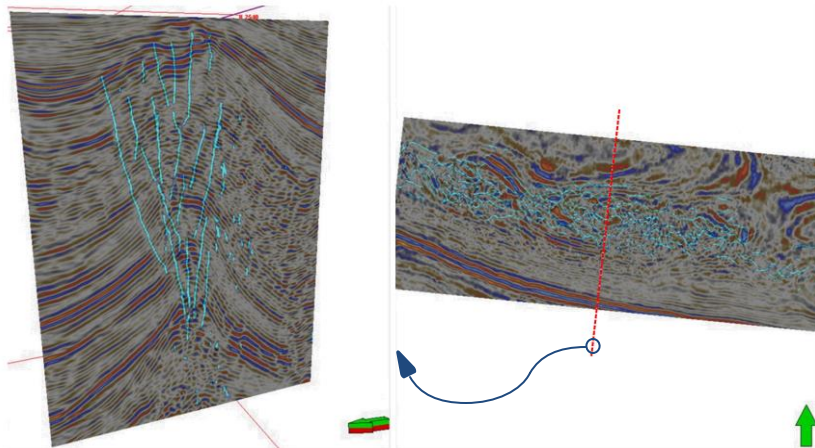




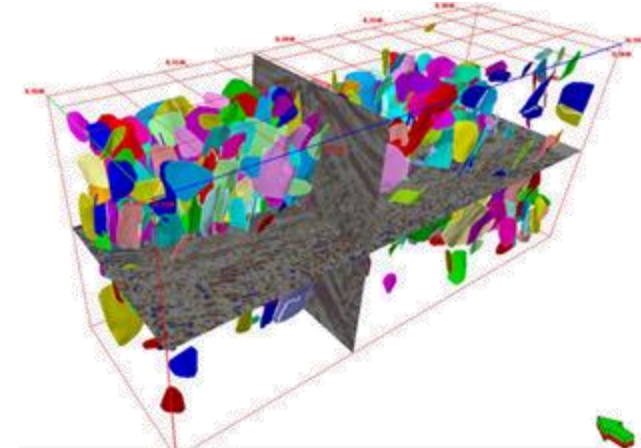
# ML-Driven Fault Identification



The “ $n$ ” iteration of ML fault prediction results (cross-section)

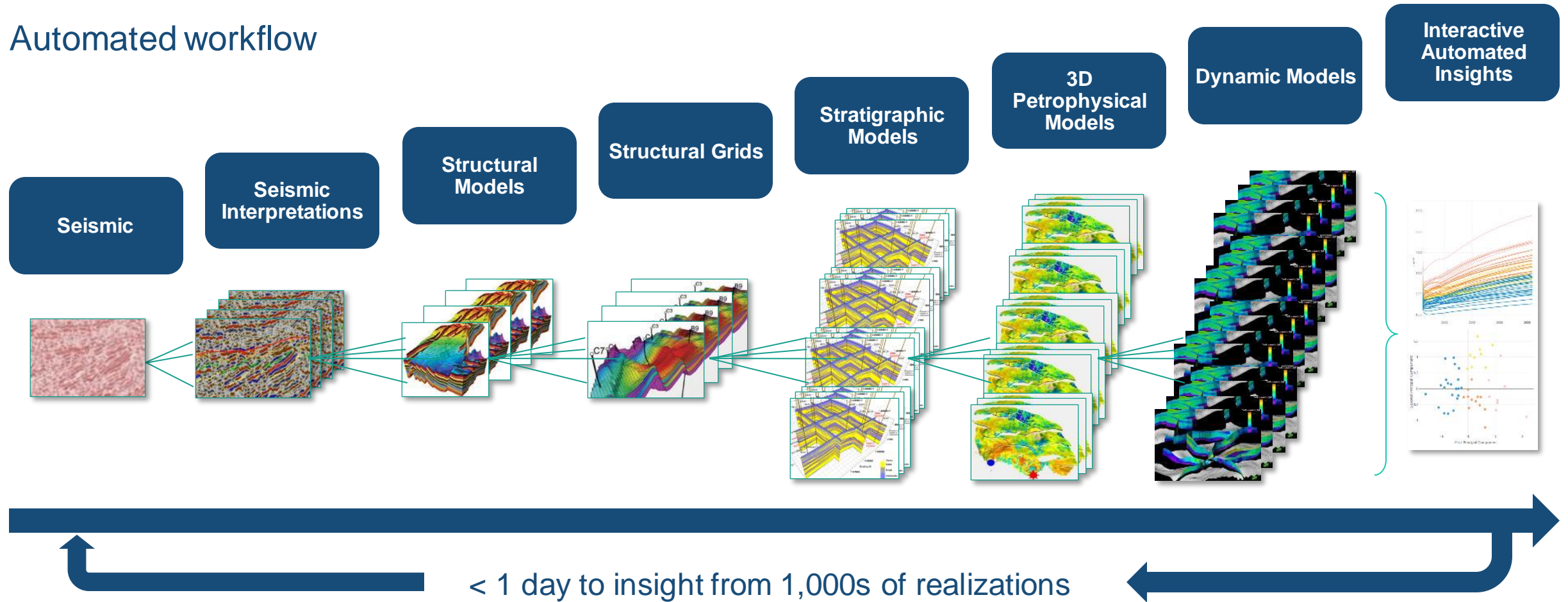


Fault modeling after “ $n$ ” iterations using ML

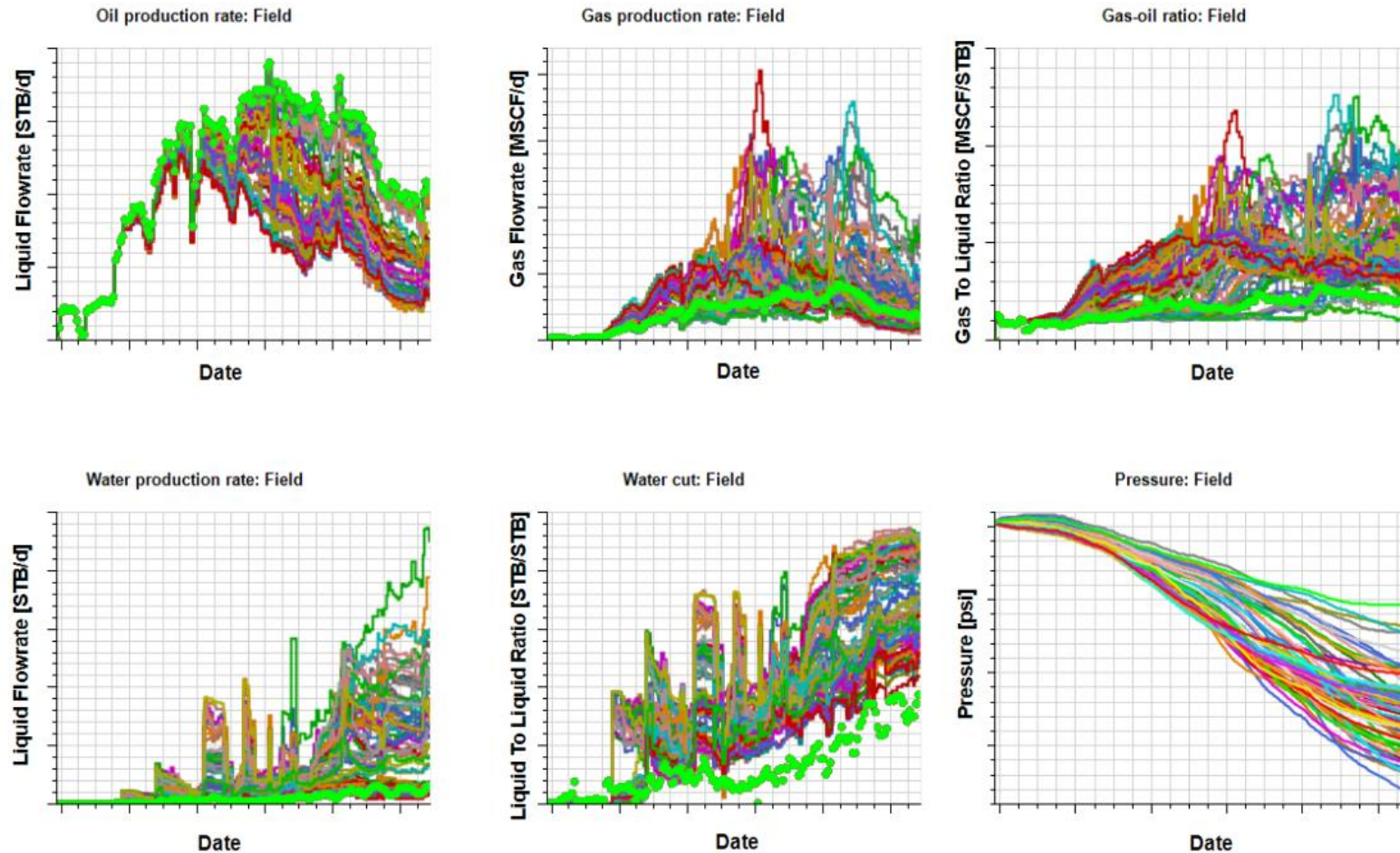


# Agile Reservoir Modeling (ARM)

Automated workflow



# Uncertainty Screening using ARM



**5X**

**faster** runs in DELFI compared to on premise setup

**> 2,000**

**realizations** launched per reservoir on average in DELFI.

**3-4 weeks**

average **timeframe** to produce history matched models

**~3,860**

**CPU hours** of simulations in DELFI for all reservoir models in **4-5 months**

**1.5 years**

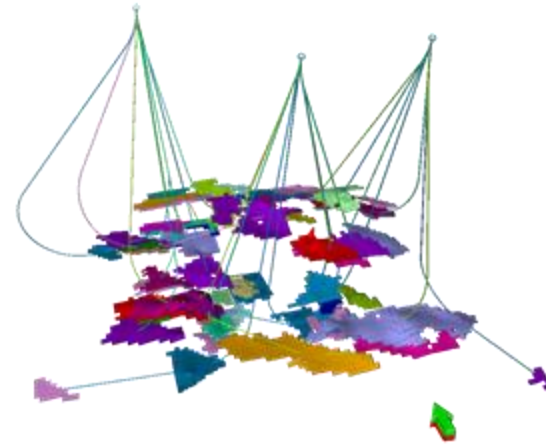
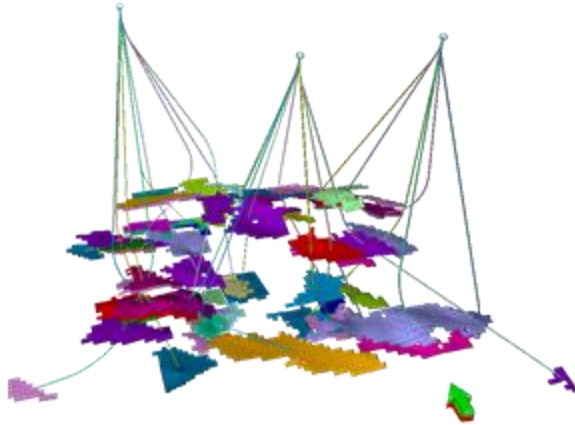
**of 24/7** simulations required using current on-premise set up



# Automated Well Placement

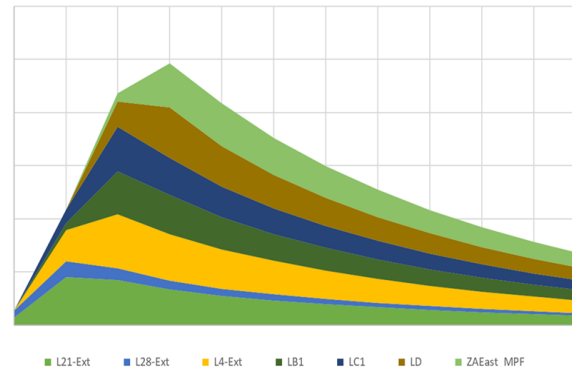
## Separate production

Well design optimization **targeted at each reservoir** individually.



## Commingled production

Well design optimization targeted at **all reservoir targets** together.



## Optimized FDP Profiles

Development plans were updated with **new infill wells**.



~60 **new infill wells** proposed using **unique workflow** tailored for Dragon Oil's reservoirs.



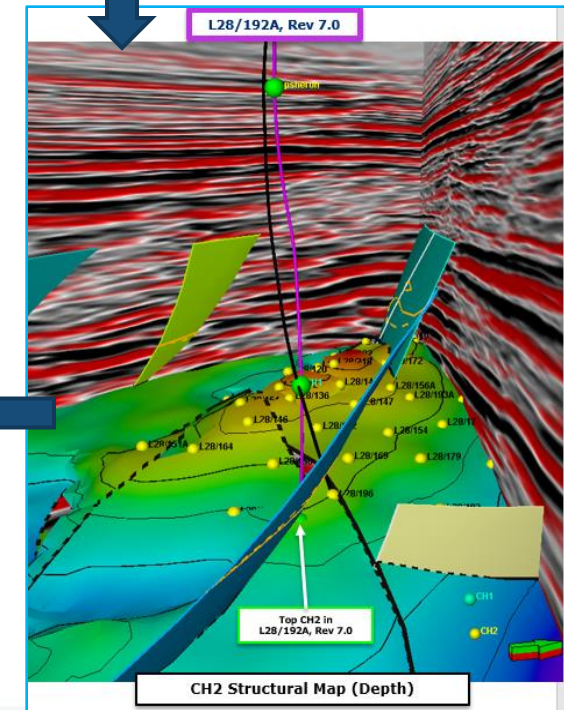
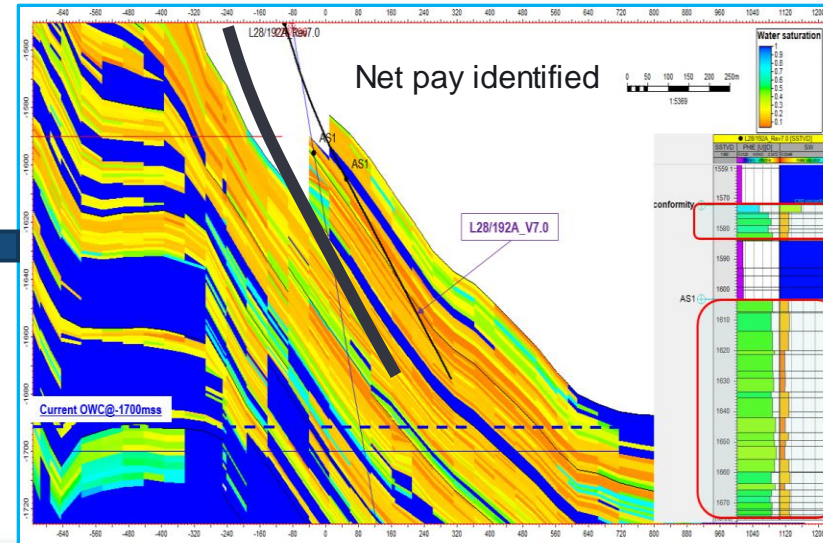
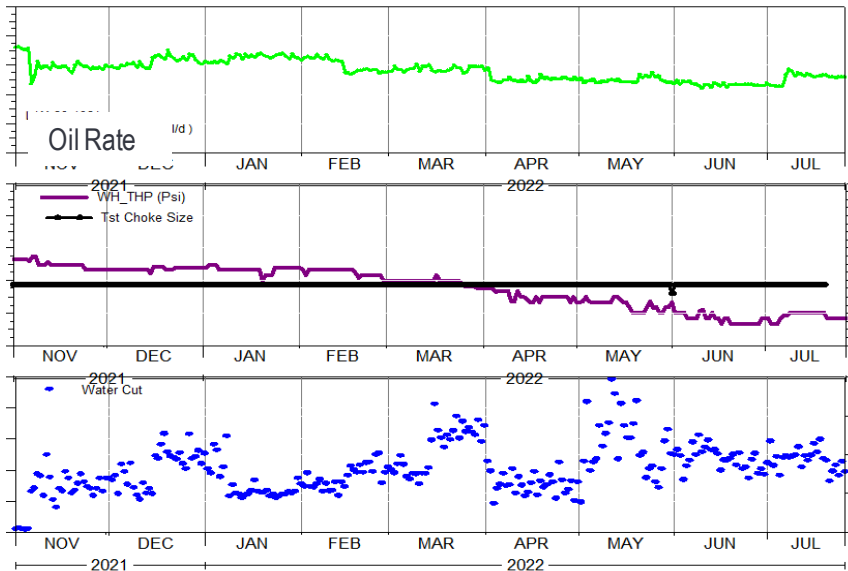
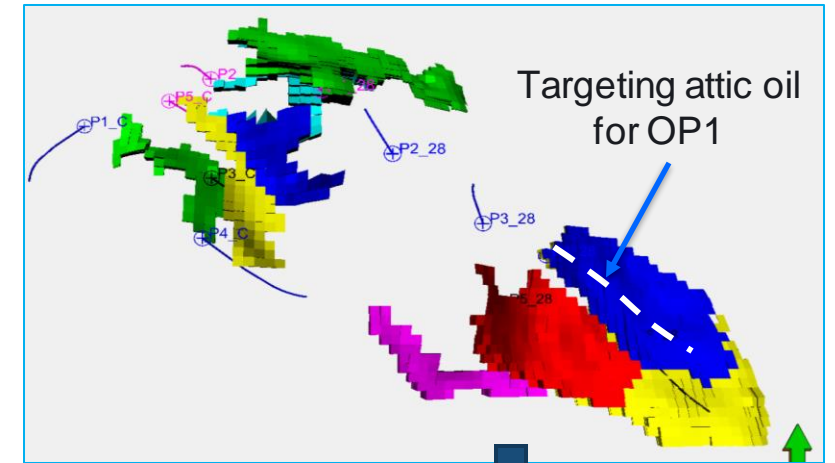
Optimized **sidetrack trajectory** of a new well that is producing with high oil production and low water cut for the last **9 months**.



**Automated workflows** enabled screening new infill wells in **hours** compared to **weeks** using conventional approaches.

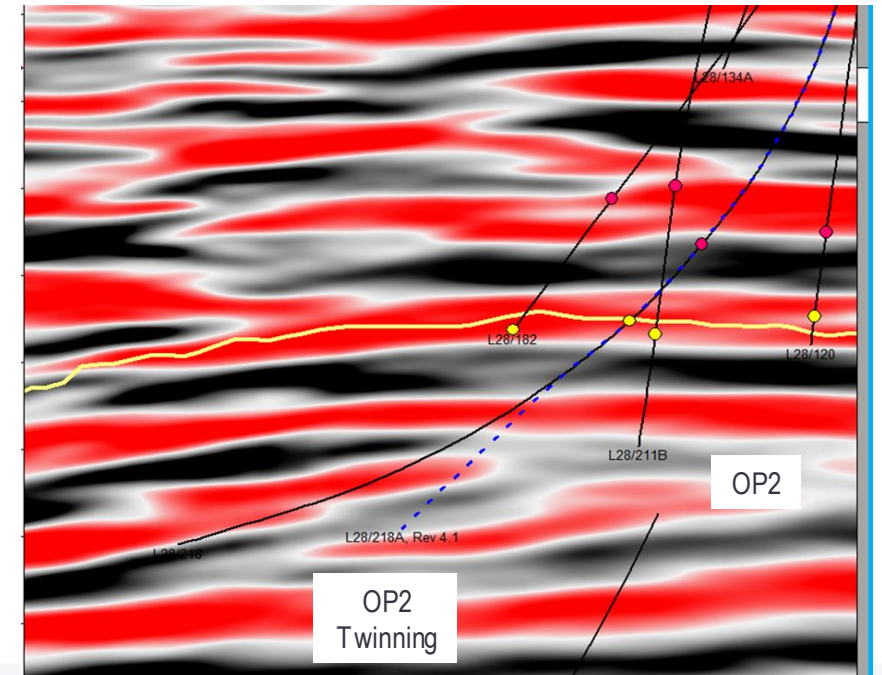
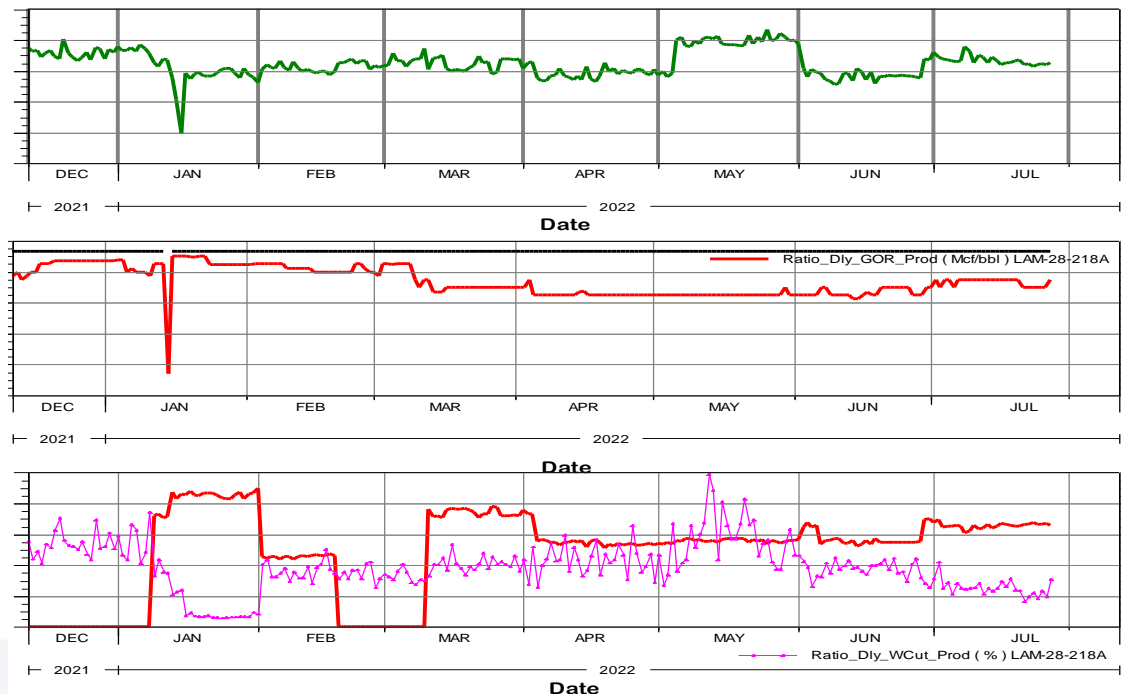
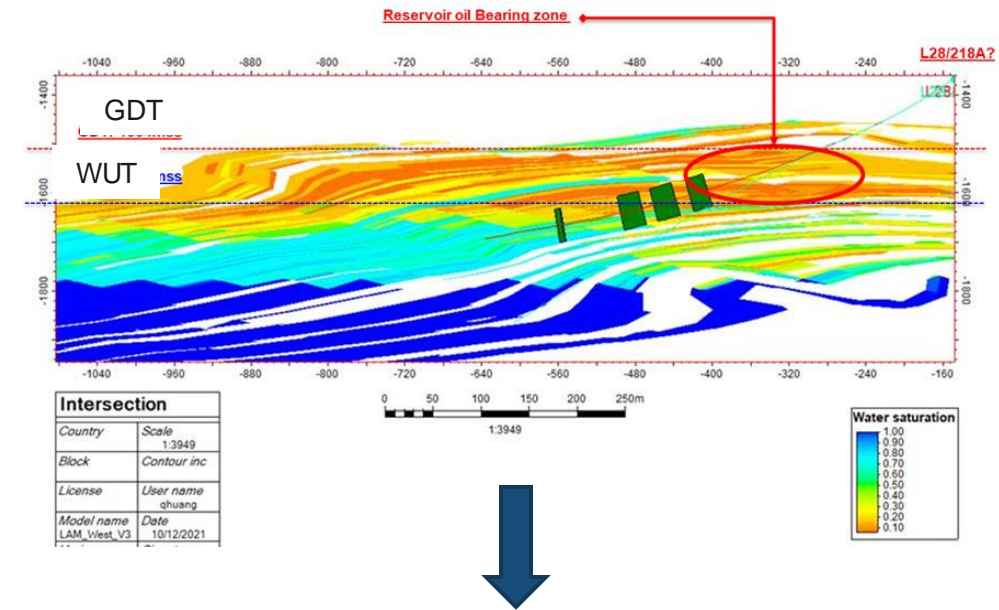
# Implementation 1: Sidetrack

- The well location was proposed from one of DELFI dynamic models.
- Sidetrack the well OP1 into Zone A.
- Completion of open-hole to TD with 75-degree inclination.
- Well put “online” in 2021 with initial rate 1600 stbd.



## Implementation 2: Infill drilling

- Well OP2 showed water breakthrough 70% and sand production, shut in.
- Mobile oil was identified for the same wellbore; water from bottom hole.
- DELFI model proposed to twin the well in the upper interval of the same reservoir.
- Well was revived after twinning with **very low water cut** for more **than 6 months**.





# Results & Impacts

## Objectives

Drastically reduce FDP lifecycle from over 3 years to under 6 months

Identify “sweet spots” to place high-productive wells on the first try

Operationalize the models to start seeing immediate business impacts

Leveraging DELFI's cloud & AI/ML capabilities to unlock value

## Results



Accurate and reliable **reservoir models** for **all 9 reservoirs** – first time ever in the history of Dragon Oil.



**Optimal FDPs** for all reservoirs targeting **highest NPV** via infill drilling, waterflood, gas injection, gas lift etc.



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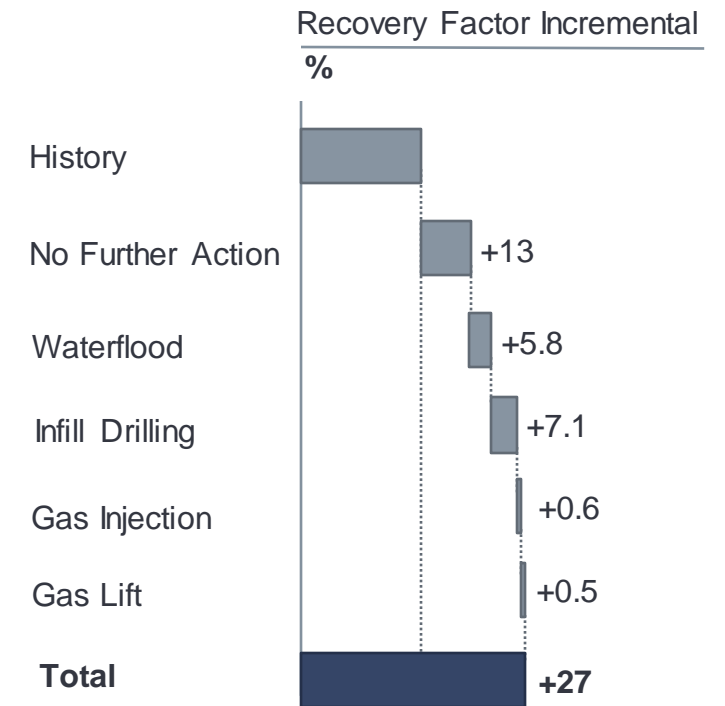
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Optimized a **twin well** location that was revived and producing with very **low water cut** for more than **6 months**.



Extensive application of **DELFI technologies & AI/ML workflows** to drive efficiency and extract new insights.

## Reservoir X – FDP Activities





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