# CO<sub>2</sub> Sub-Surface Risk Management & Mitigation

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## Schlumberger Involvement in CO<sub>2</sub> Capture & Storage

#### Provision of:

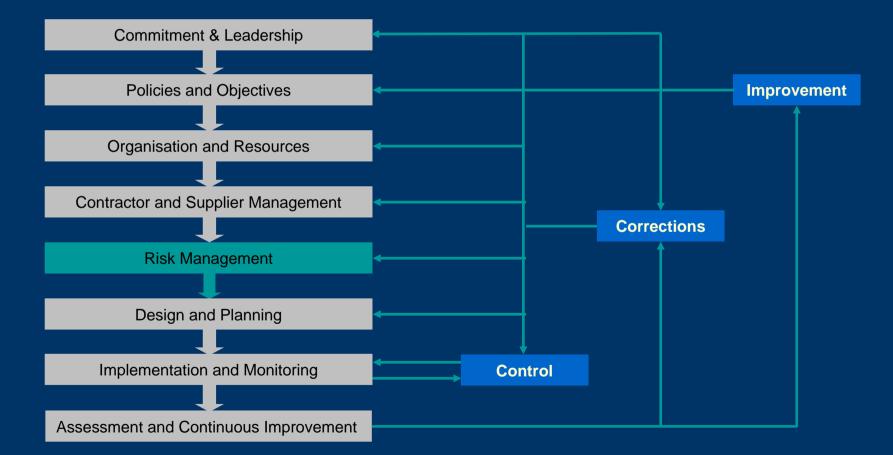
- Geological & Geophysical Solutions
- Reservoir Simulation & Production Optimization
- Wellbore & Reservoir Monitoring
- Wellbore Construction, Isolation & Completion
- Information & Knowledge Management Solutions
- Real-time Automation: Production & Injection Management
- Project Management

Involved in almost all anthropogenic CO2 projects

## Sub-Surface Management for CO<sub>2</sub>

- Evaluation of Potential Storage Sites
- Uncertainty Assessment & Value of Information Analysis
- Static Model(s) and Prediction from Dynamic Simulation (ranges of outcomes)
- Integrated Well Construction & Formation Evaluation
- Sub-surface Monitoring (near wellbore and across wellbores)
- Resulting Actions:
  - Maintenance, Remediation
  - Update of Static & Dynamic Simulation

#### Quality & Risk Management Process



## Qualitative Risk Prevention & Mitigation

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			NON-OPERABLE: Evacuate the zone and or area/country						
-16 to -10 RED INTOLER			RABLE: Do not take this risk						
-9 to -5 YELLOW UNDESIF			RABLE: Demonstrate ALARP before proceeding						
-4 to -2 GREEN ACCEPT			ABLE: Proceed carefully, with continuous improvement						
-1	-1 BLUE NEGLIGI			BLE: Safe to proceed					
MITIGATION Control Measures				Improbable	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Probable	
PREVENTION				1	2	3	4	5	
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Serious	-2			-2 15	-4 15	-6 3S	-8 4S	-10 5S	
Major		3	SEVERITY	<b>-3</b> 1M	-6 2M	-9 3M	-12 4M	-15 5М	
Catastrophic		4		<b>-4</b> 1C	-8 2C	-12 3C	-16 4C	<b>-20</b> 5C	
Multi-Ca	atastrophic -	5	♥	-5 1MC	-10 2MC	-15 3MC	-20 4MC	-25 5мс	

White arrow indicates decreasing risk

#### **Integration of QHSE-MS, Technology and Knowledge Management for Risk Management**

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#### **Total Risk Control**



#### Quality Management for CO<sub>2</sub> Field Management West Texas



- CO2 andWaterflood Oil Production
- Oil = 6,000 BOPD, Gas = 10 MMCFD, Water = 132,000 BWPD
- >500 oil/gas producers & >400 water/CO2 injectors.
- Provision of:

Contract Management, Operations, Maintenance, Engineering, and QHS&E. Operate CO2 compression for recycle. Reduced Operating Costs by 23%.

- Reduced Decline from 36% to 0% for 6 Months; Decline Resumed at 12%
- Reduced Field Spills by 66% In 10 Months.
- No Environmental Citations/No Lost Time Accidents over First Year's Operation.

#### Challenges in CO<sub>2</sub> <u>Sub-Surface</u> Storage

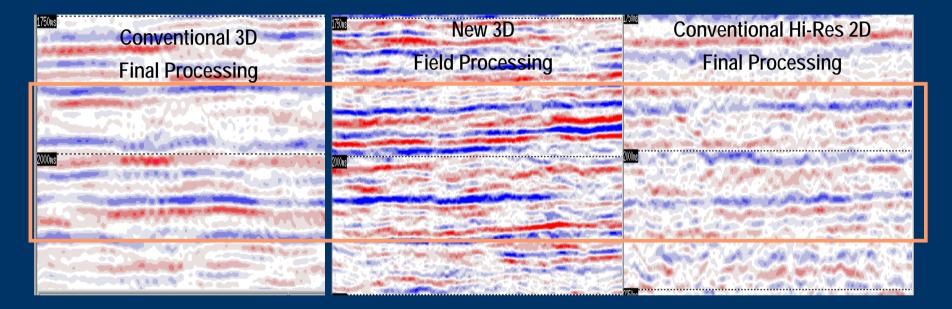
#### Technology & Process Gaps

- Long-Term (100s->1000s of years) Assurance
- Lack of Standard Industry Processes
- Sub-surface characterization: a shared model for static and dynamic formation modeling
- Integrated Teams Workflows
- Rapid processing of static and dynamic models
- Cost-effective permanent monitoring
- Wellbore Integrity (often overlooked)
- Modeling of Interaction between CO<sub>2</sub> and Formation

#### Challenges in Monitoring

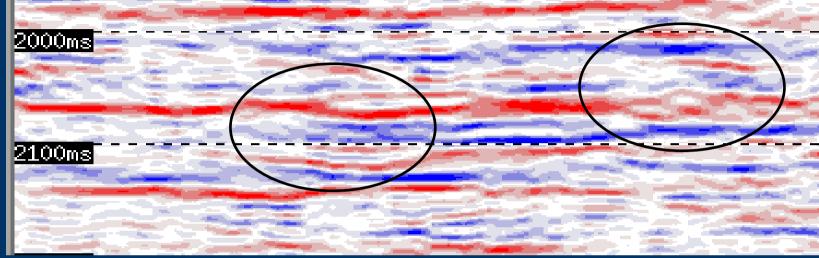
- Time-Lapse Seismic (Surface, X-wellbore)
  - Resolution
  - Processing time: Need for AI-based inversion tools
- X-wellbore electrical & electro-magnetic tools
- Wellbore measurements (producers, injectors, monitoring wells)
  - Layer measurements (downhole sampling ...)
  - Distributed Measurements (fiber optics ...)

# Higher Resolution Seismic for CO<sub>2</sub> Site Selection and Time-Lapse

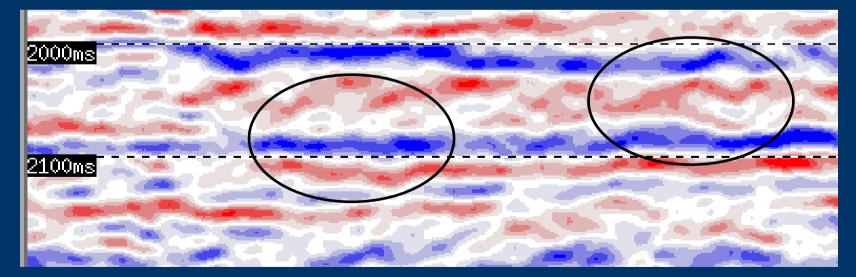


5.5 Terra bytes of data
Proprietary Data format and seamless integration reduced turnaround time
Field Cube available 3 days after acquisition

#### New vs. Conventional seismic

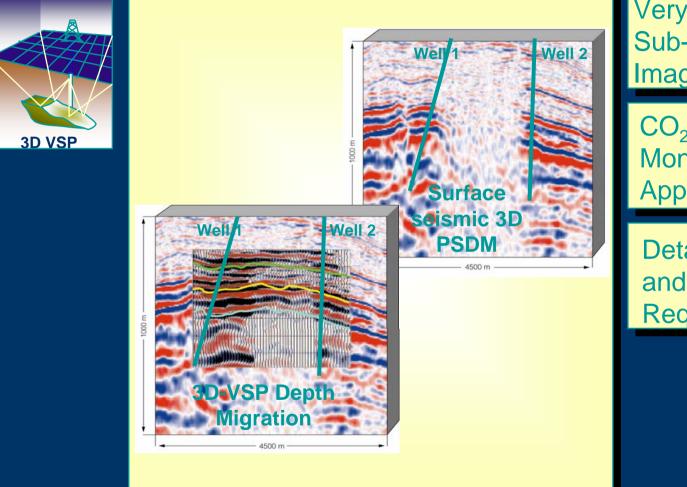


New



Conventional

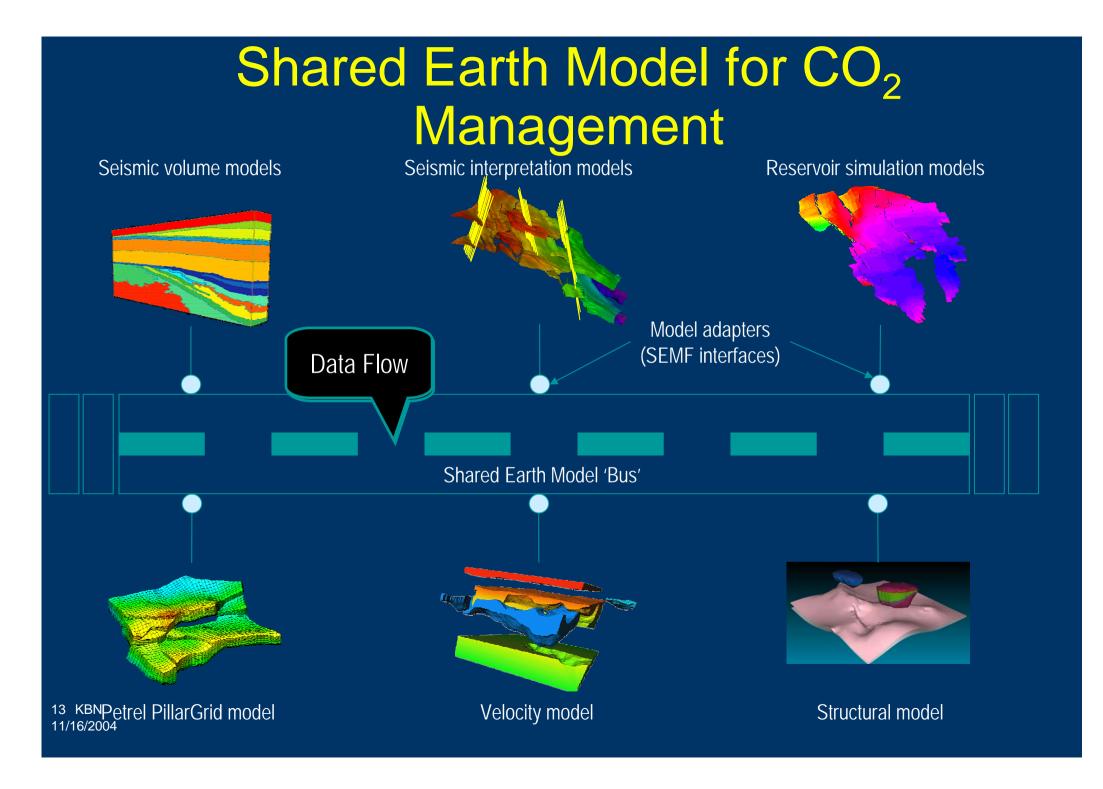
#### 3D Borehole Seismic vs. Surface Seismic



Very High Sub-Surface Imaging Resolution

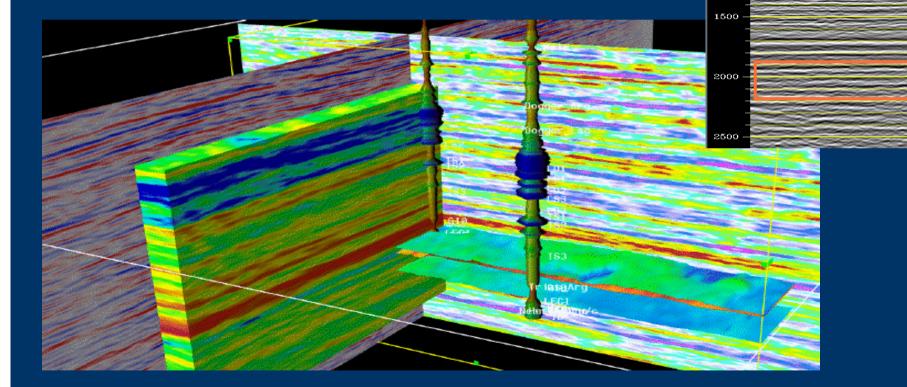
CO<sub>2</sub> Planning and Monitoring Applications

Detailed Preplanning and 3D Modeling Required



## Improved Visualization & Team Integration: Virtual Reality Centers

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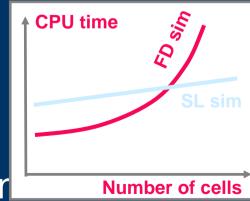


## Challenges of CO<sub>2</sub> Simulation Impact of Uncertainties/Heterogeneities

- Formation vertical and lateral heterogeneities play a significant role in CO2 movement
- Current finite-difference grid-cell models are slow to perform multi-scenarios analysis due to computational requirements
- Streamline methods being developed to facilitate Monte-Carlo simulations of CO2 injection
  - Speed-up factor by orders of magnitude
  - Need to include capillary forces

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Industry/Academia efforts could be combin



#### Wellbore Integrity & Flow Assurance

- Current cementing practices (API-RP, Class 1 & 2 wells) do not address long-term storage requirements, hence a significant risk of leakage
- Monitoring of cement integrity during the life of the well, and subsequent repairs
- Need to optimize metallurgy composition to minimize subsequent intervention

#### Largest Risk from Analogues

- W. Heidug (Shell)
  - Biggest risk from CO2 Storage due to:
    - Leakage through poor quality or injection well completions
    - Leakage up abandoned wells
    - Leakage due to inadequate caprock characterization

## Wellbore Isolation with Cement Does Conventional Testing simulate Actual



Conditions ?





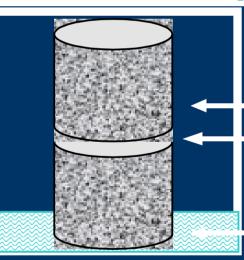
Neat cement: core after one month at 90deg.C-280 bars in  $Na_2CO_3$  solution (4%): perfectly preserved neat cement procedure not realistic in terms of severity criteria

Neat cement: core with micro cracks and strong carbonation after one month at 90deg.C-280 bars under wet CO2 supercritical environment

#### Wet supercritical CO2 experimental set up



Experimental design, titanium made vessel, (opened, at left), disposition of two material cores crown in the vessel, vessel closed in its running configuration (right)



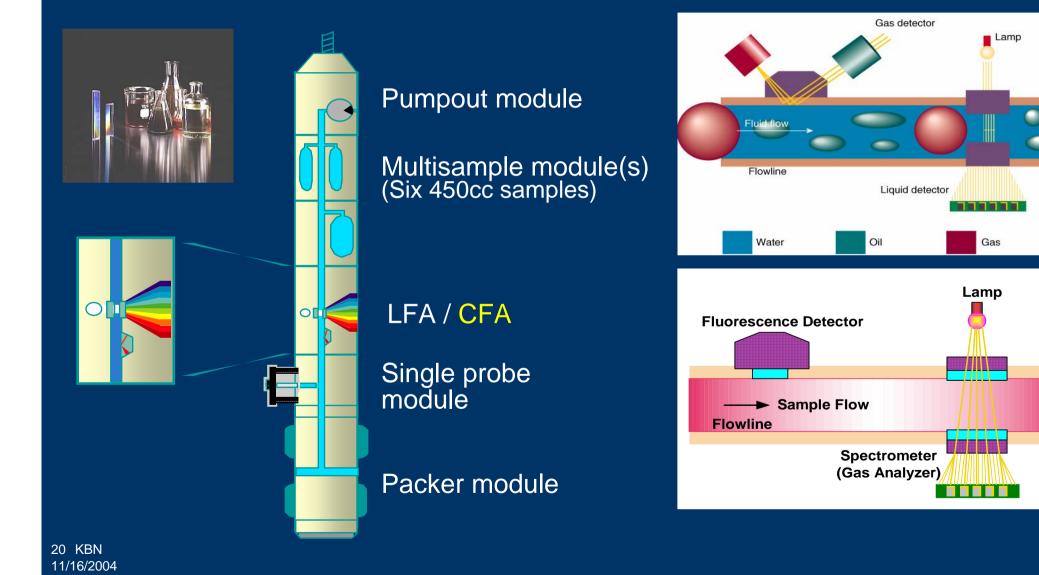
CO2 phase saturated with water (fluid 1 in supercritical state) Two Cores crowns isolated by "viton" slices

Water phase saturated with CO2 (fluid 2)

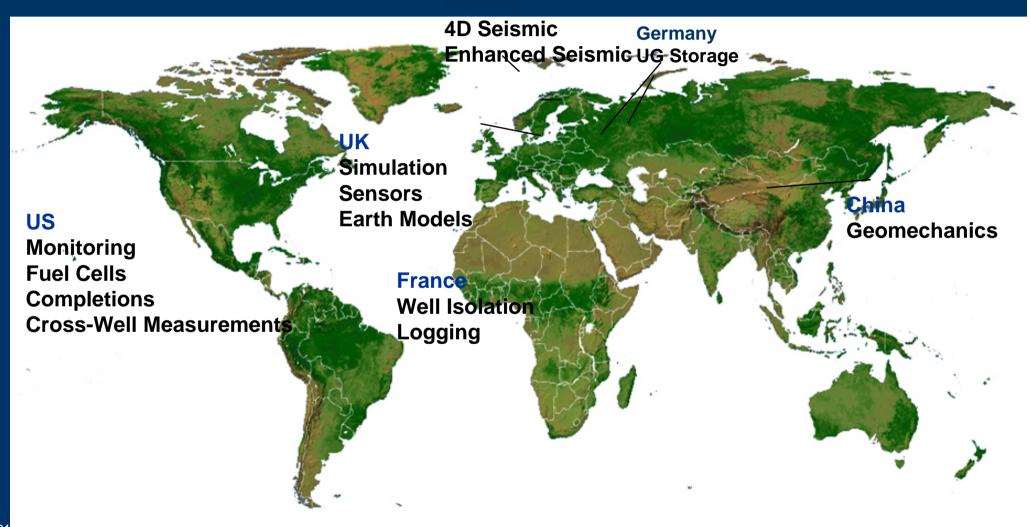
internal heater

gaz output

#### Wellbore Monitoring using Downhole Fluid Analysis



### CO<sub>2</sub>-Related R&D in Schlumberger



#### Recommendations

- In order to mitigate risks, Industry needs to:
  - Develop comprehensive G&G databases and use common Earth Models
  - Standardize integrated static and dynamic workflows
  - Develop improved understanding of geochemical interactions
  - Incorporate such models in more-efficient reservoir simulation models
  - Use enhanced resolution surface seismic techniques

#### Recommendations

- Expand use of x-wellbore measurements
- Cooperate on development of chemical sensors and other wellbore measurements
- Develop standard testing procedures for injectors and producers
- Develop a standard methodology for wellbore isolation (cementing)
- Share experiences and lessons learned