

Demonstrating Innovative Reservoir Modeling Workflows Enabled by a GPU-Accelerated Implicit Simulator

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- First fine-grained implementation of petroleum reservoir simulator

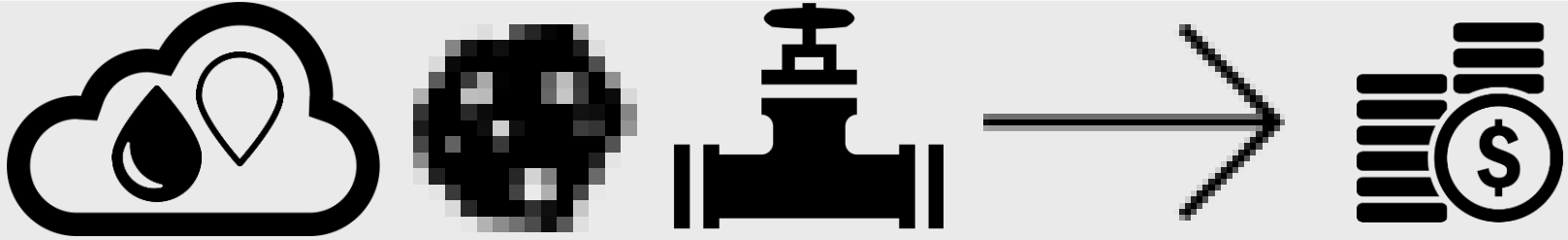


- Talk focuses on implications of exceptional speed in workflows



Background : Reservoir Simulation

- Reservoir Simulation



- Generate a (predictive) model of production for economic recovery

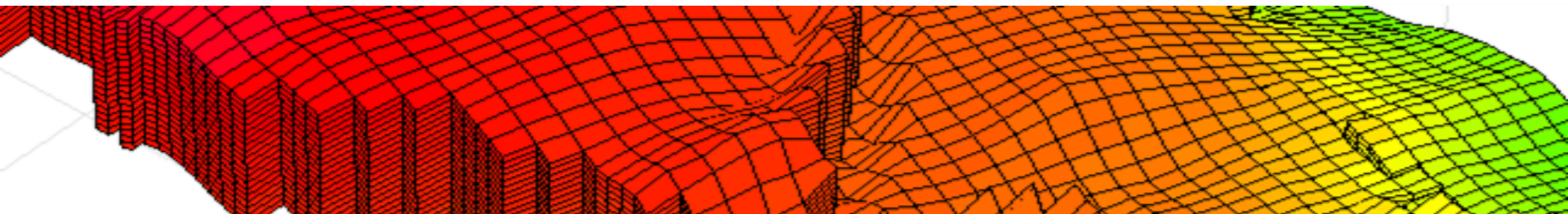


- The workflow is more than just compute cycles...

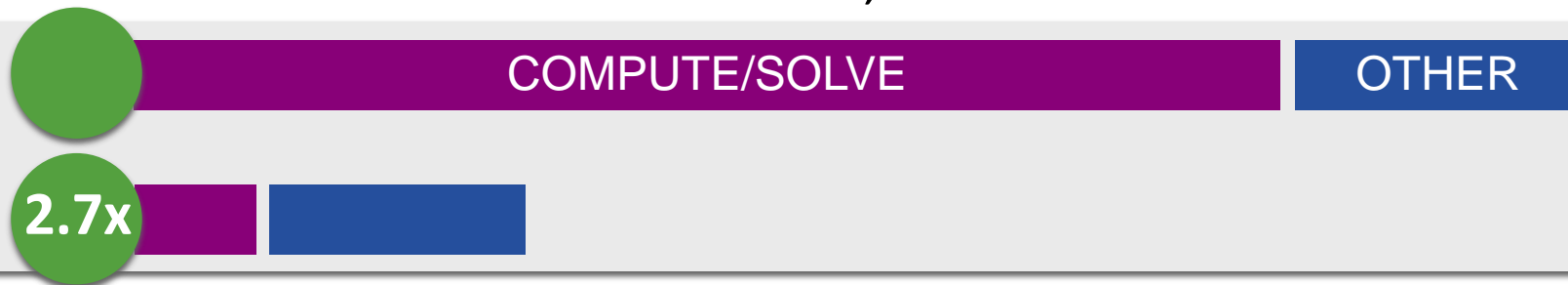


Motivation for Compute Acceleration

- Unstructured grids; irregular memory access patterns



- Linear solver $\approx 80\%$ of total time, hundreds of other kernels



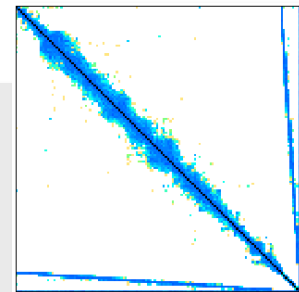
- Very many simulation realizations are required for most workflows



Algorithms Come First

- Choose the right GPU solvers (GAMPACK, AMGx)

Method	GPU	CPU	Iterations
CG Solver	24.6 s	246.6 s	4589
AMG Solver	0.7 s	5 s	8



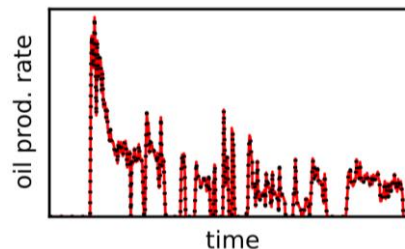
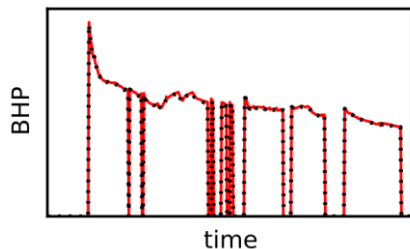
- ...then confront Amdahl's law directly to achieve >10x



Example Performance on Real Assets

Model	# cells	#CPU cores	#K40s	time	Speedup
A	1.36M	32 (1)	2	26h/53m	45x
B	20M	48 (2)	8	14h/1.2h	12x

- **Total** application acceleration + better-suited solvers = >10x factor

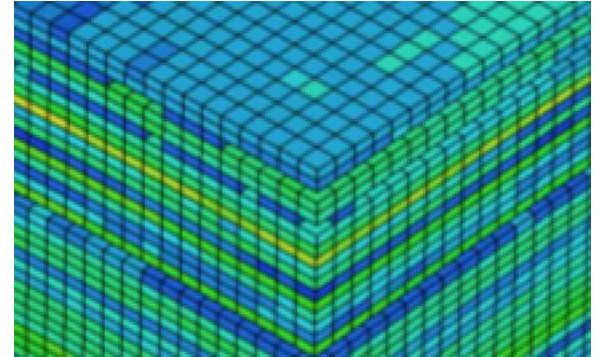
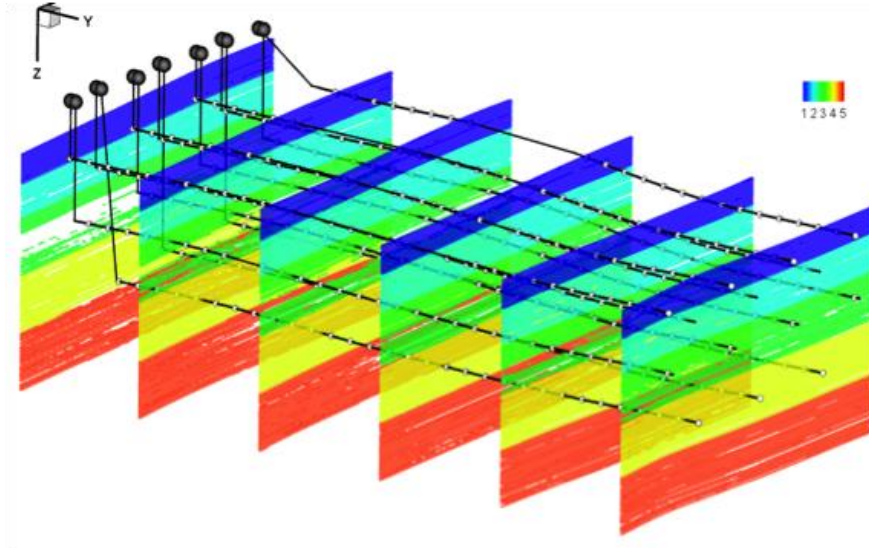


- Validation within 1% of current commercial standard



Example Problem

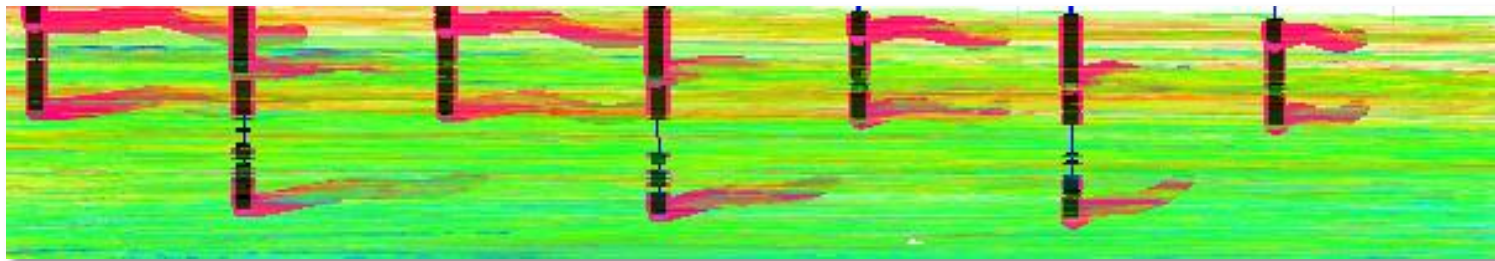
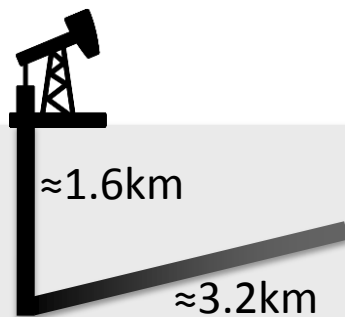
16M cells for 20 years @31 day intervals



40ft x 40ft x 4ft
12.2m x 12.2m x 1.2m

Many uncertainties in model; want to explore them

Example Problem



4 GPUS

20 MIN

32 x



Total Compute Time For Workflow

12 x E5-2687

45 d

VS

4 x K40s

1.5 d



Total Compute Cost For Workflow

CPU

\$1.44/hr

=

\$1536

VS

GPU

\$9.28/hr

=

\$310



Creating a Downstream Deluge

- 600 mins : commercial simulator runs once, creates 6 min of work

100:1



3:1



- 600 mins : our simulator runs 32 times, creates 192 mins of work



Everything new is newer again

- **Total** workflow acceleration from the ground-up...



68%

:



32%



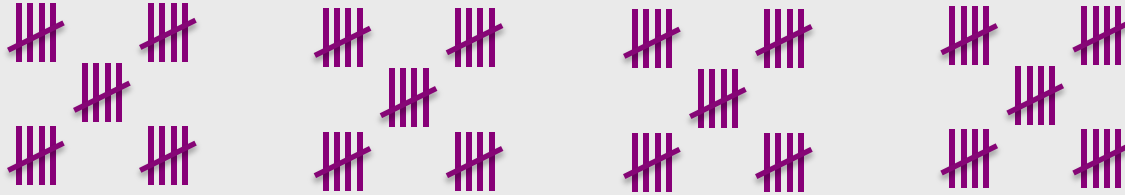
What Now?

- How can we deal with 100 files?

Standard



- How can we represent data in clear, compelling ways?

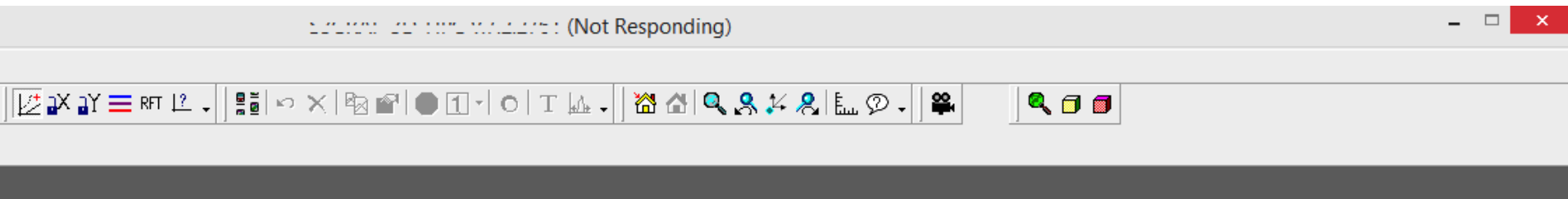


- How do we share and collaborate?



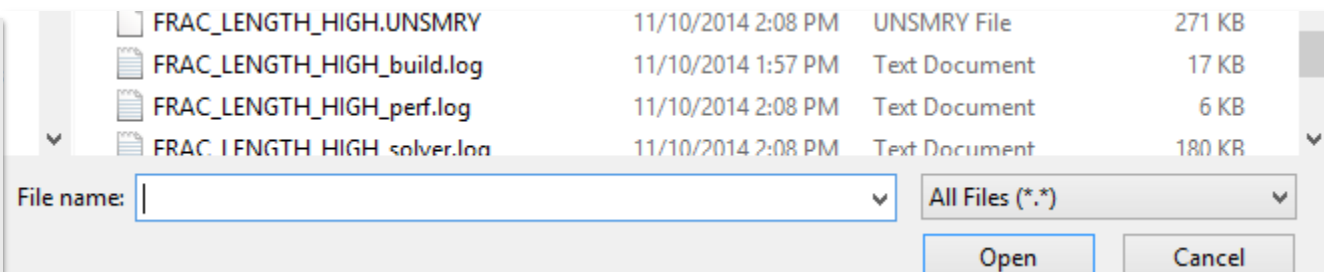
Implication for Workflow

- Loading a model grid can be painful - 109s for this model



- (Most) existing tools are not designed to (help you) work this way...

100 X



- Fundamentally : How can we help but stay out of the way?



Implication for Workflow

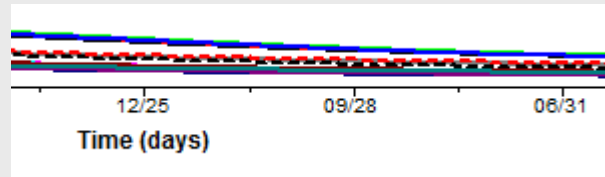
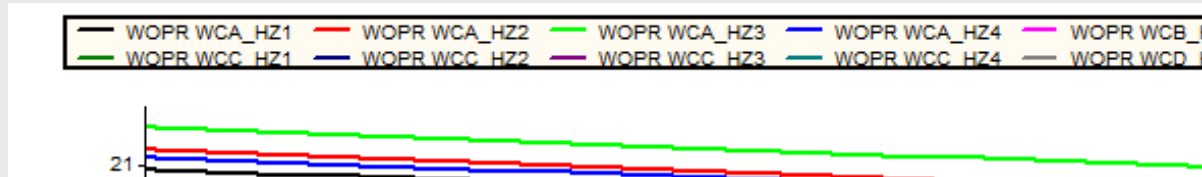
- Make choosing/loading many simulations easier

The screenshot displays the 'Simulation Ensembles' interface. On the left is a sidebar with navigation options: 'Cells', 'Filter', 'Simulation', and 'Info'. The main header shows 'Simulation Ensembles' with summary statistics: '116.4 total GB', 'IN', and '3 ensembles'. Below this is a list of simulation ensembles. The first ensemble is '75/' with a size of '90.5 GB'. The second ensemble is 'PERMIAN-RSS/' with a size of '22.2 GB'. This ensemble is expanded, showing a thumbnail of a geological model, the title 'Permian Wolfcamp Study - RSS Study', and a description: 'Asset #2211A, Initial Project Evaluation. History-matched to scenario Alpha 2b, infills for region A & S, with schedule variants for wells #6A and #27B'. It also indicates '102 files' and includes icons for list, edit, and refresh. A green button labeled 'View Recent Results' is present. The third ensemble is 'SPE10-tuple/' with a size of '3.7 GB'.

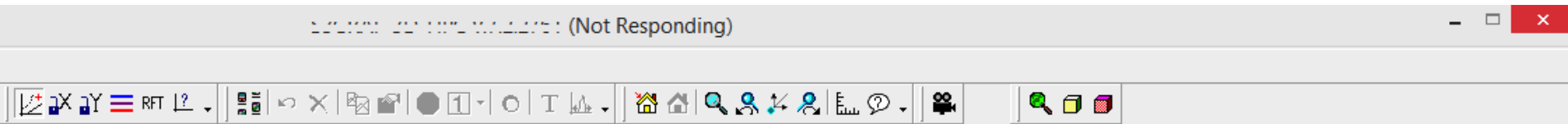
Simulation Ensemble	Size (GB)	Files
75/	90.5	
PERMIAN-RSS/	22.2	102
SPE10-tuple/	3.7	

Typical User Interface

- Legend clutter, disambiguation



- Lack of plot interactivity, traditional loading styles, anti-aliasing

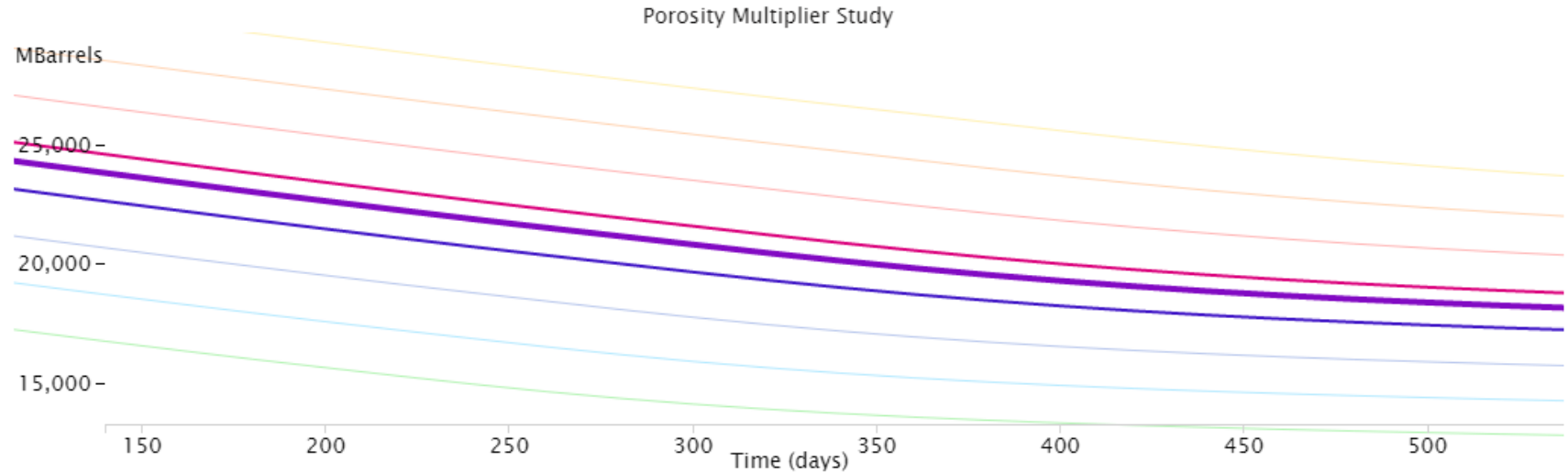


- Can we make this accessible or (ideally) unnecessary?



Instead Consider...

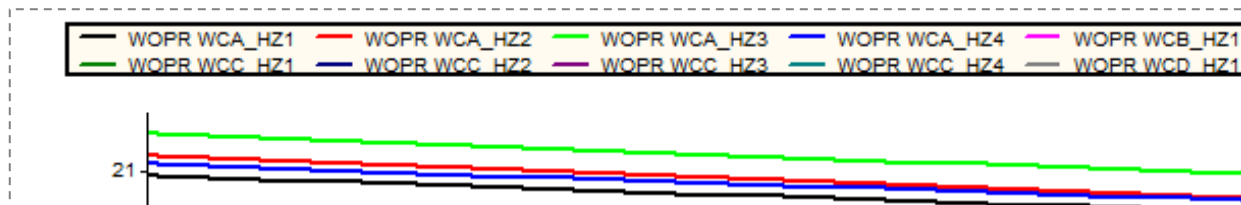
- Provide a means to disambiguate large ensemble results



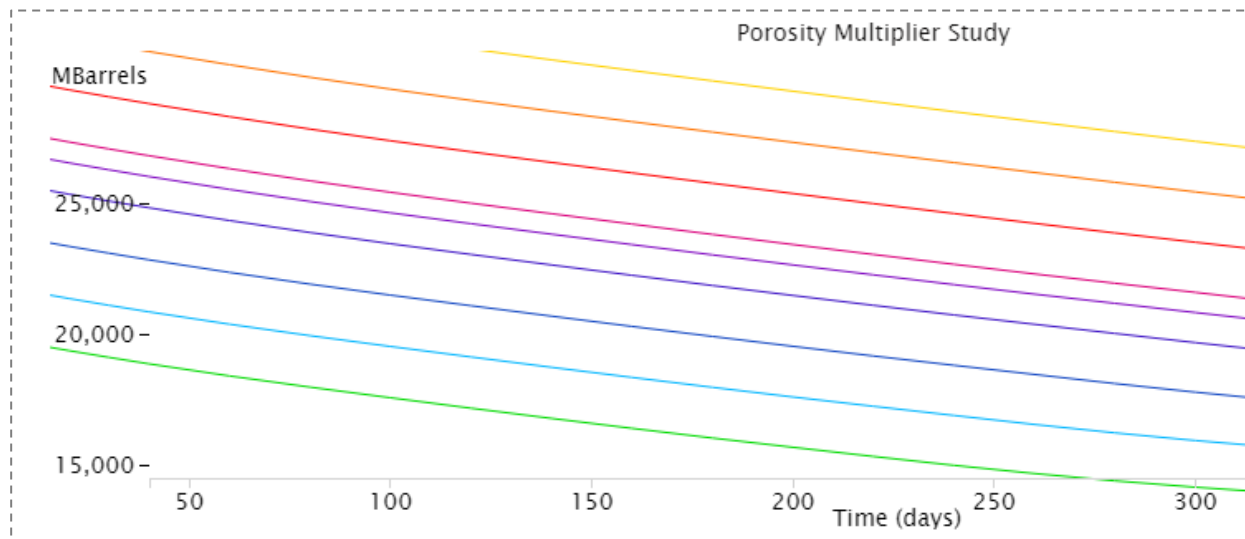
FOIP

Permian Study, Porosity Multiplier in Region 3C = 0.97

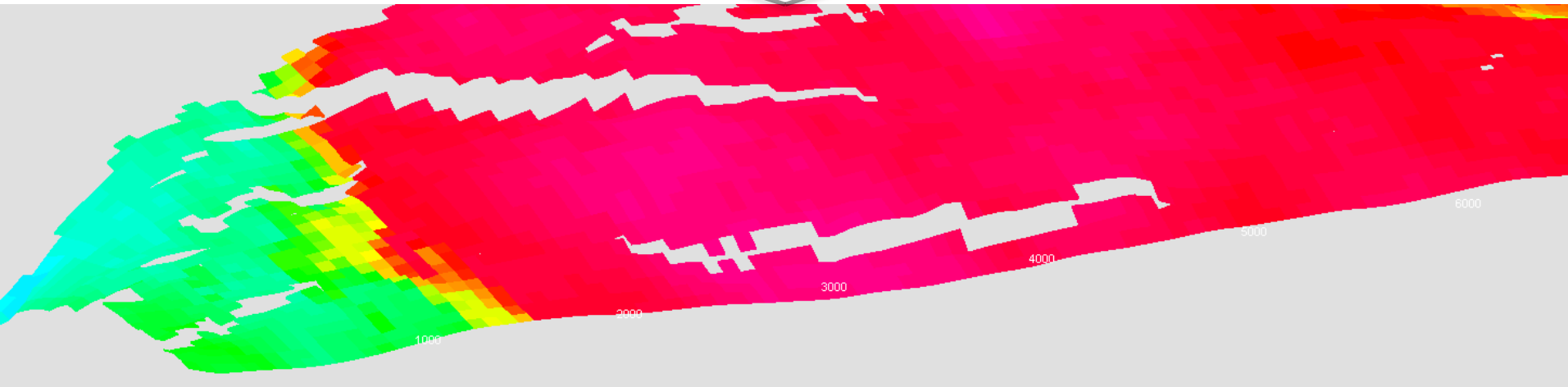
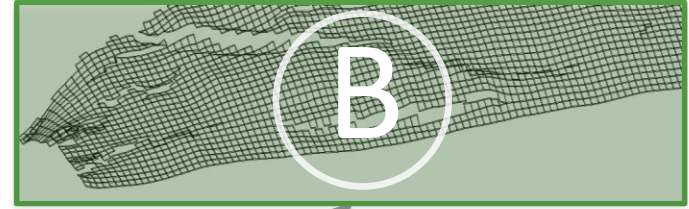
Clarity of Results



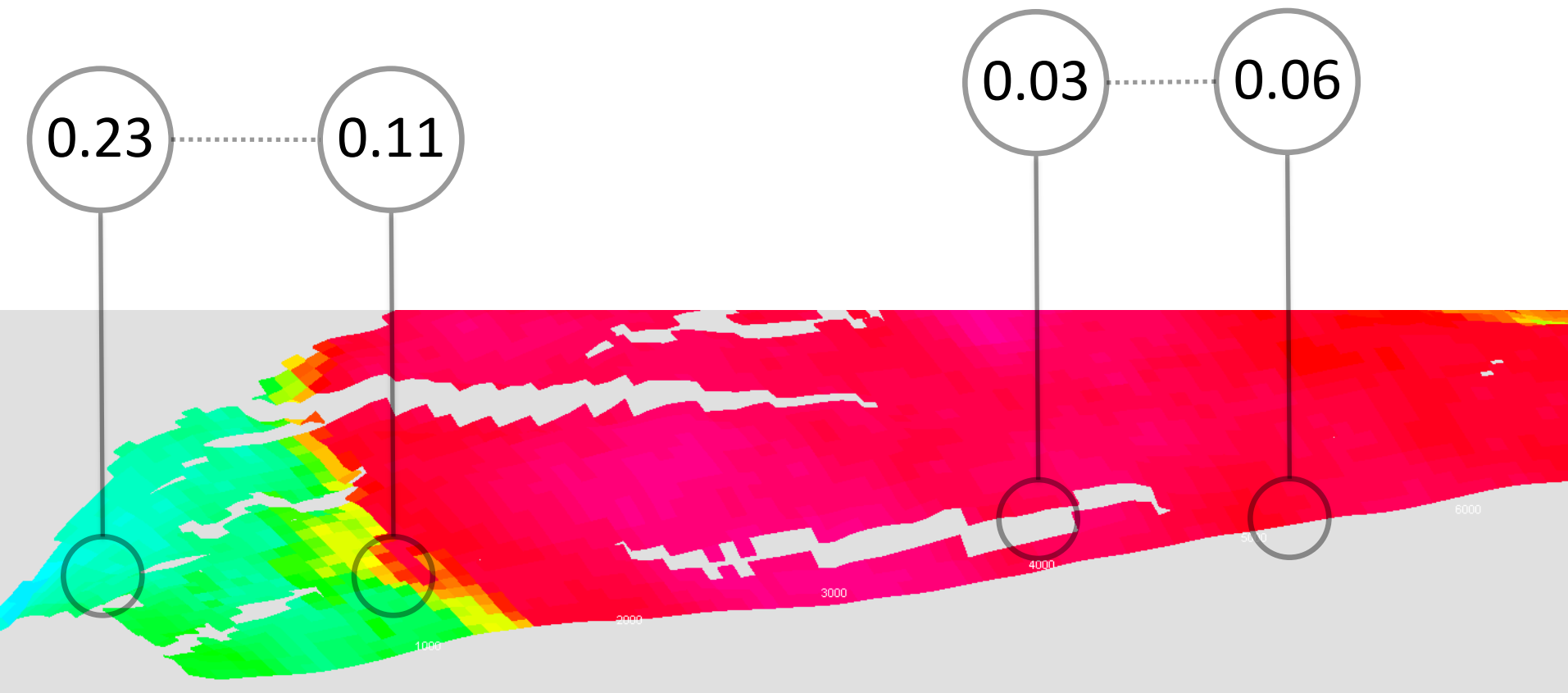
- Pixel vs vector plotting, anti-aliasing, interactivity



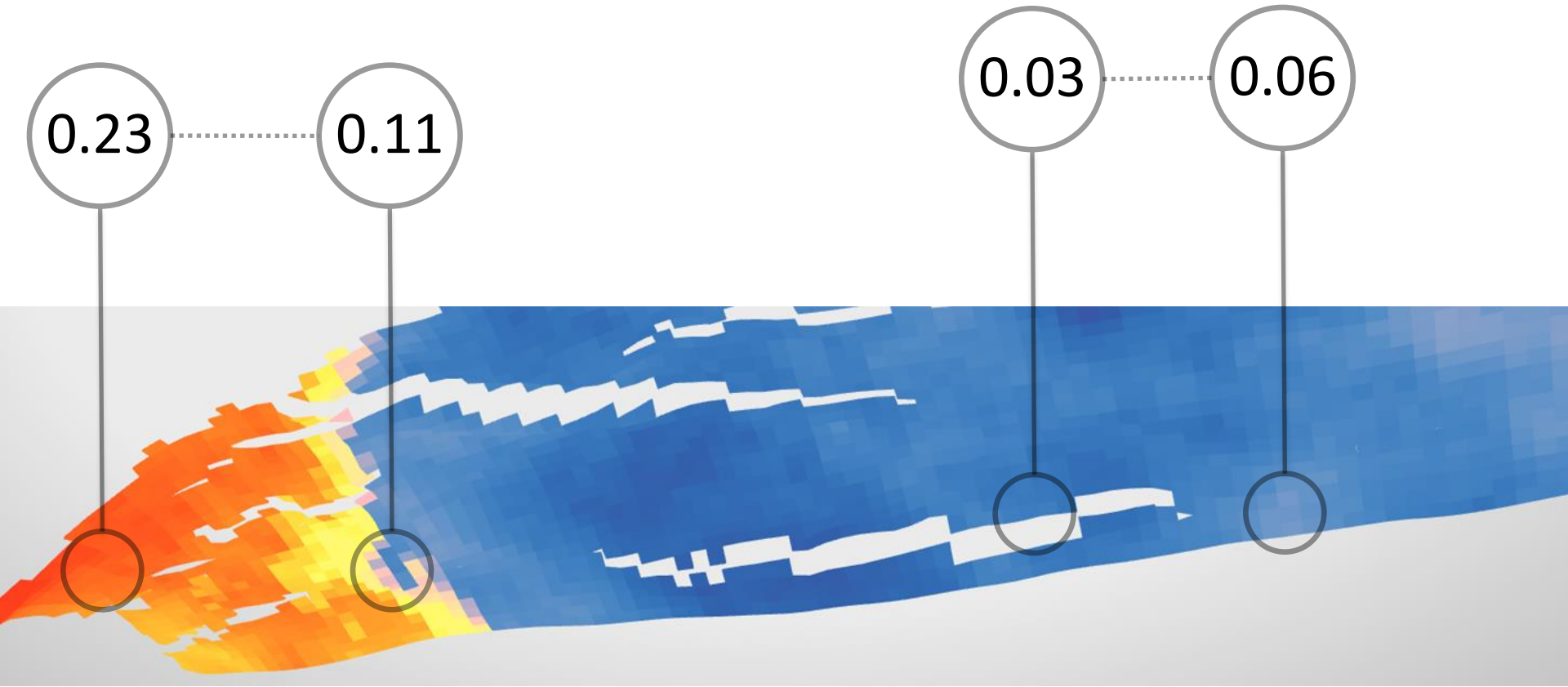
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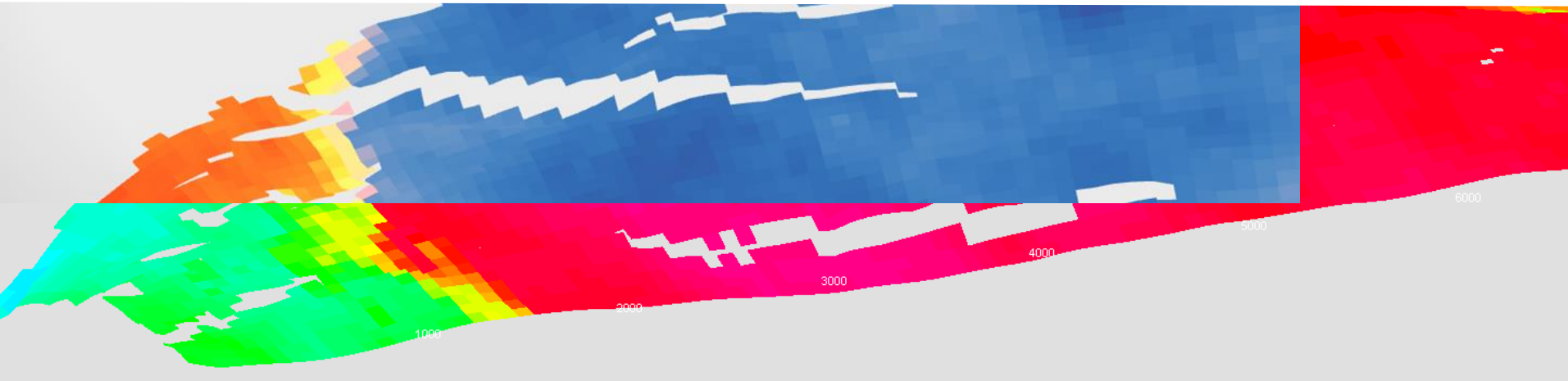


Better Color Choices, Faster Interpretation



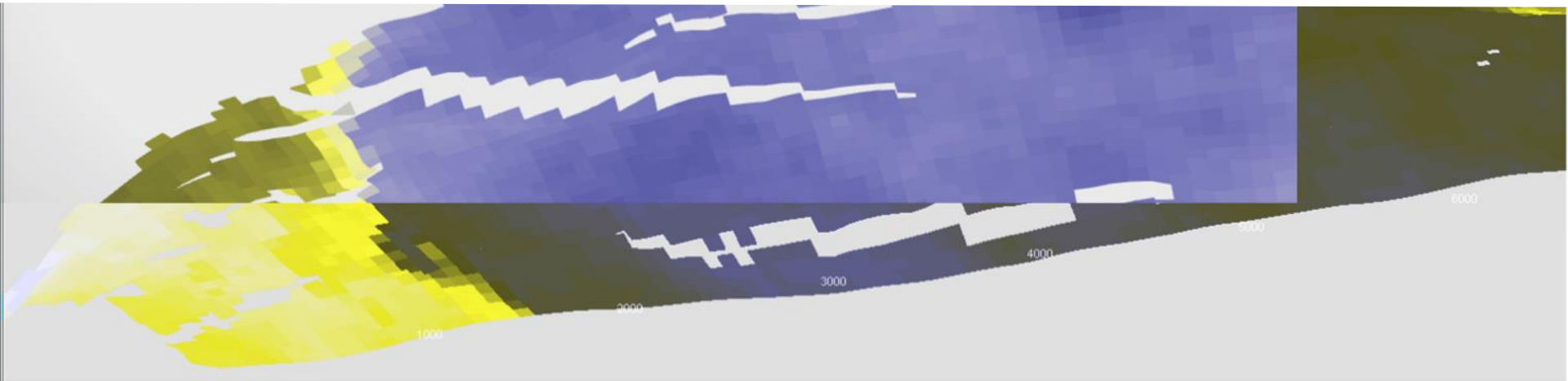
Color Choices (1)

- Preserve local relative differences, design for color-blindness



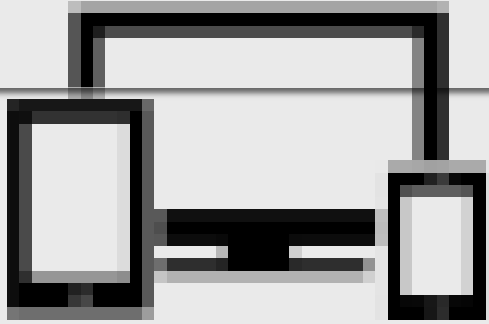
Color Blindness : 8-12% Males

Tritanopia (blue deficiency)



Results Anywhere

- Distributed workload, remote clients, results anywhere

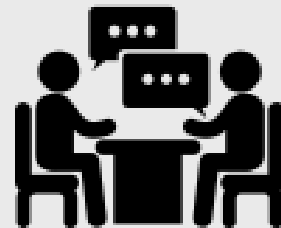
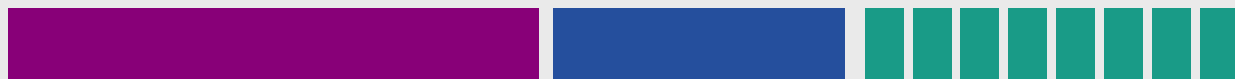


- Send colleagues an interactive graph; not static PDFs



A New Approach to Workflows

- Accelerated applications can cause post-processing data deluges

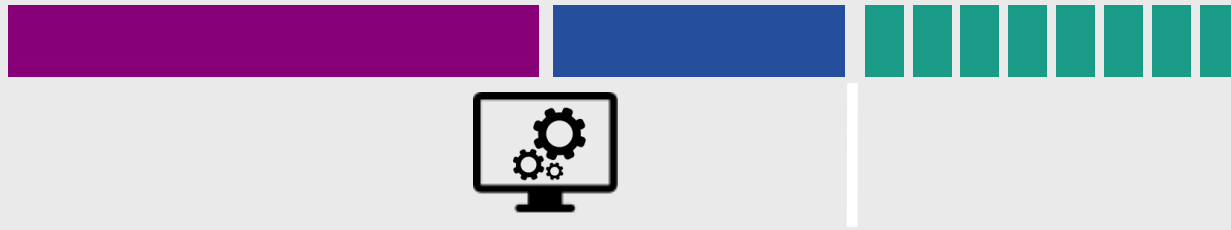


- Total application acceleration : new workflow/interaction challenges!
- We are re-thinking the way the tools behave, interact with GPU apps



Whole Systems Approach

- Key is understanding workflow impacts



- Fresh thinking on engineering tools around workflow optimization



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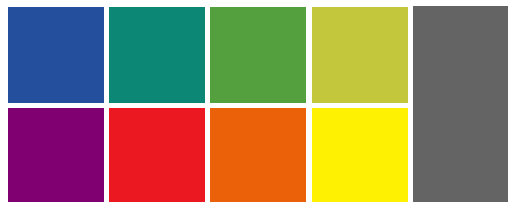
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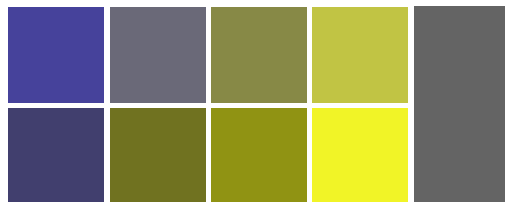


Slide Vault : Color Acuity

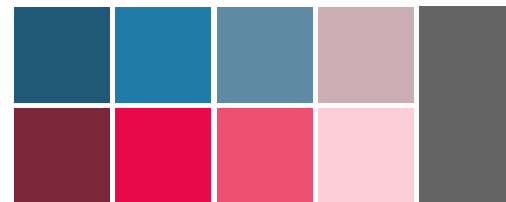
- Paul Tol's work on palettes is a great resource!



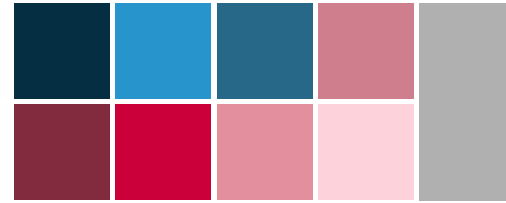
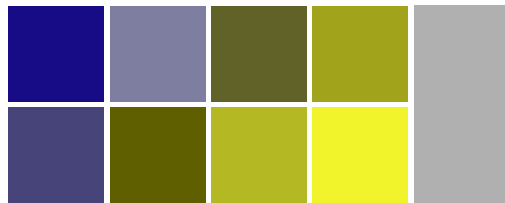
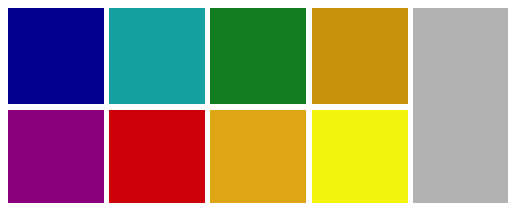
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Protanopia

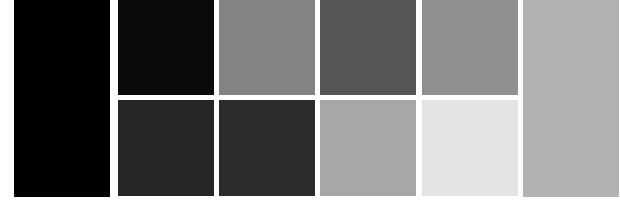
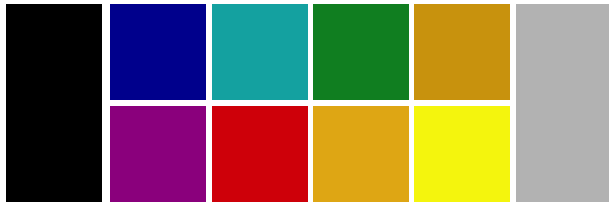
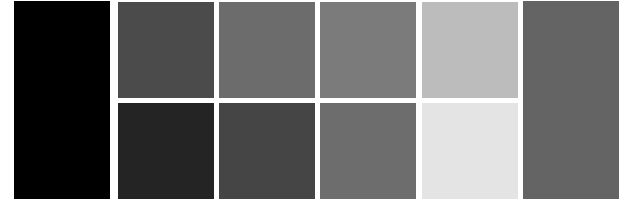


- Can choose colors such that printers can reproduce : ISO-12647-2



Slide Vault : Color is more than perception!

- Publication-quality figures need well-chosen color spaces



- What happens when great color figures are printed in B&W?

