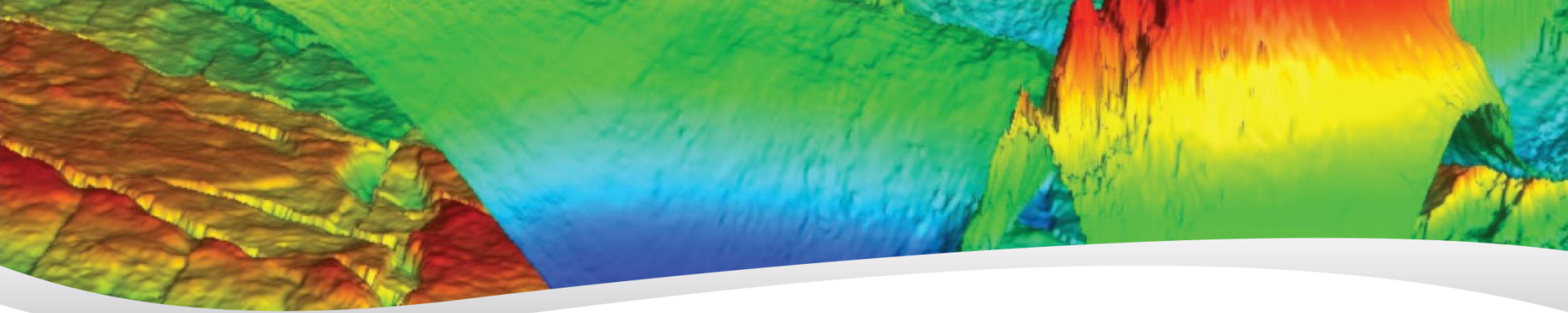

GPU Acceleration of Acquisition Footprint Removal in Post-Stack Seismic Data

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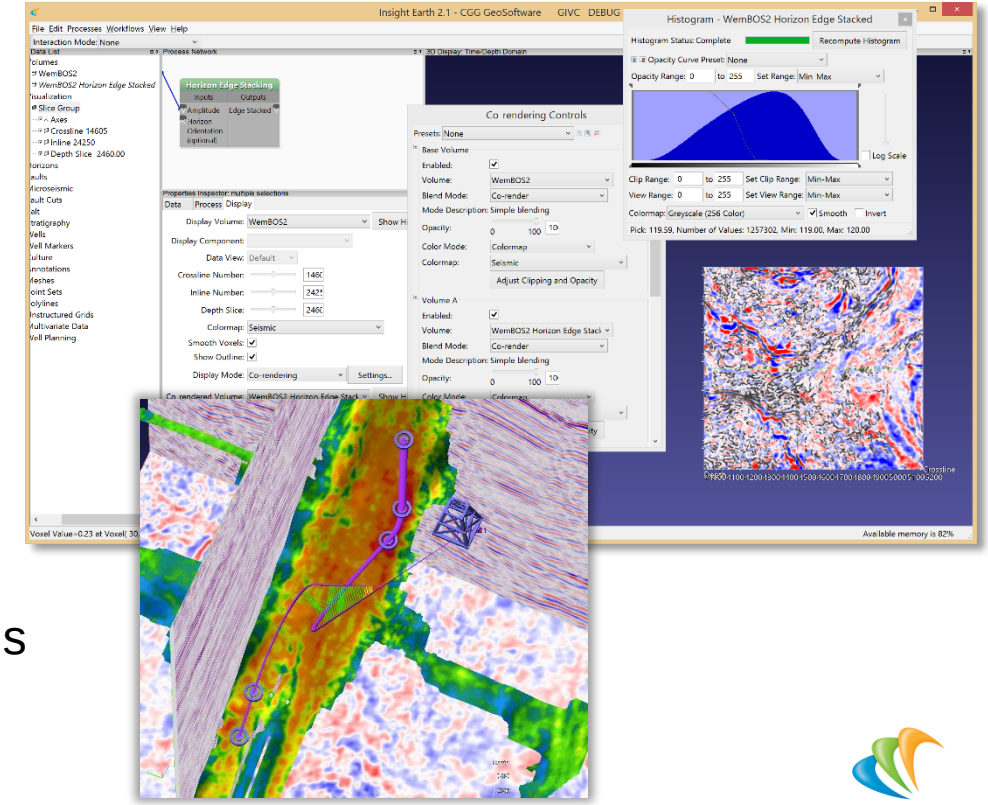
Footprint Removal on the GPU – Talk Outline

- Introductions
- Acquisition Footprint Removal
- GPU Port – Performance Impact
- GPU Port – User/Workflow Impact
- What we've learned

Footprint Removal on the GPU – Introductions

- What is Insight Earth?
  - CGG GeoSoftware's Seismic and Stratigraphic Interpretation package
  - Workstation-class application
  - Several GPU-accelerated algorithms since 2012
- Who am I?
  - Insight Earth Team Lead
  - Background in graphics and GPUs



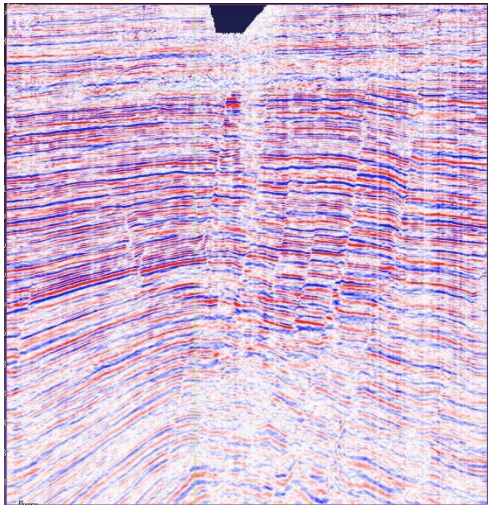
Acquisition Footprint Removal

Footprint Removal

- Acquisition Footprint
  - Appears as striping in amplitude data

- Acquisition Footprint Removal
  - Attenuates striping at a given spacing and direction
    - One spacing/direction per pass
  - Only changes amplitudes significantly in striped areas
  - Preserves RMS amplitudes
  - Proprietary, patented algorithm

Raw Seismic Data



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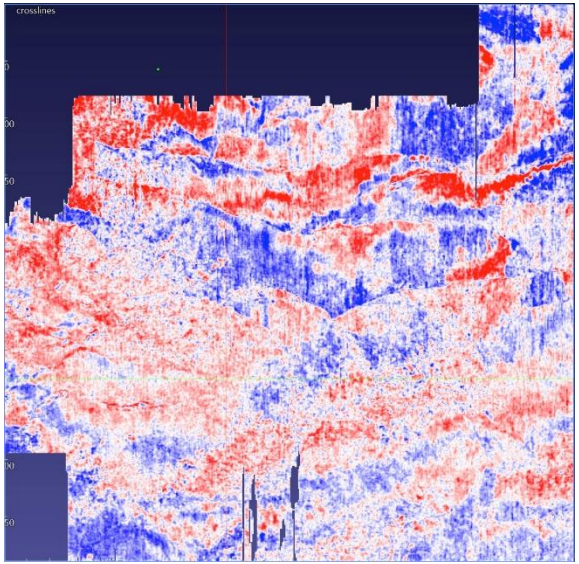

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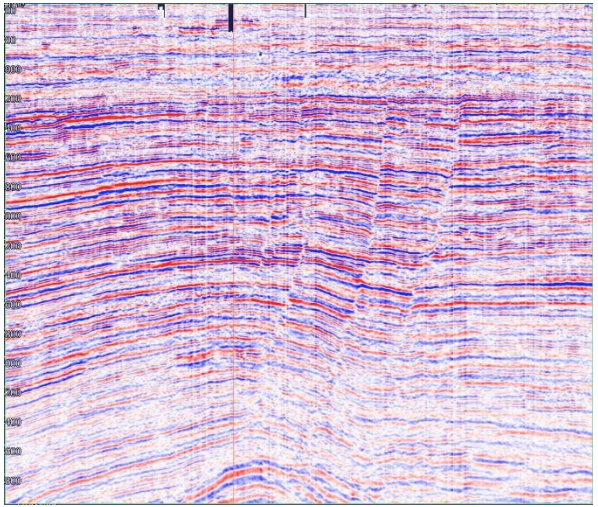

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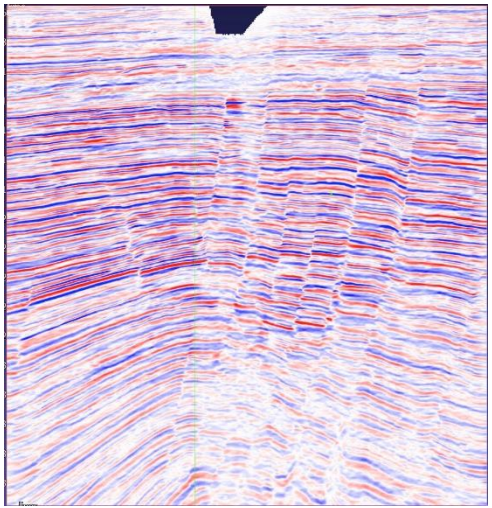

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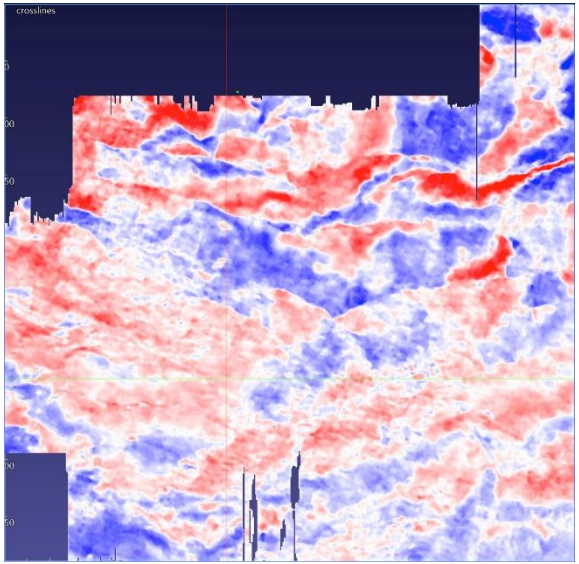

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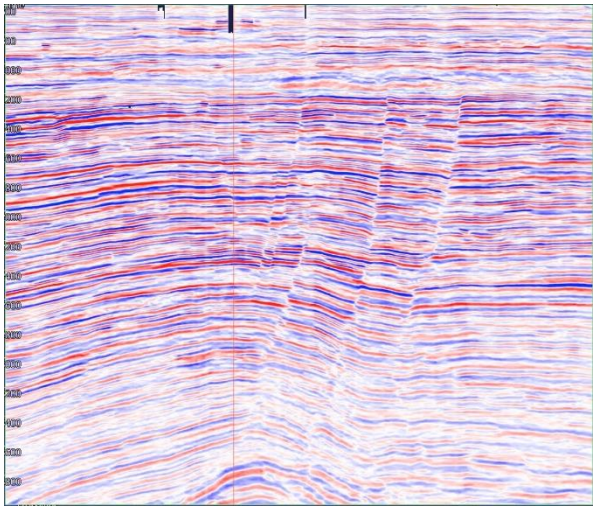

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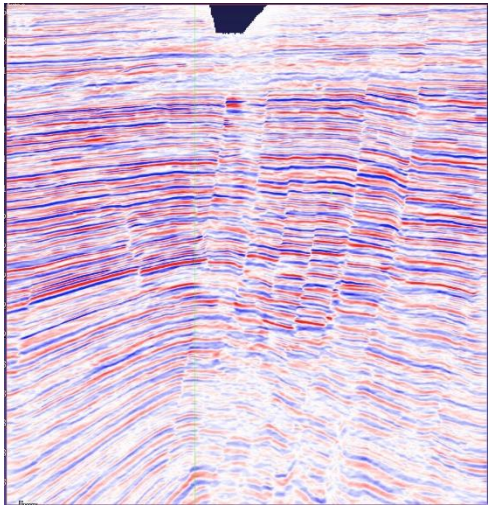

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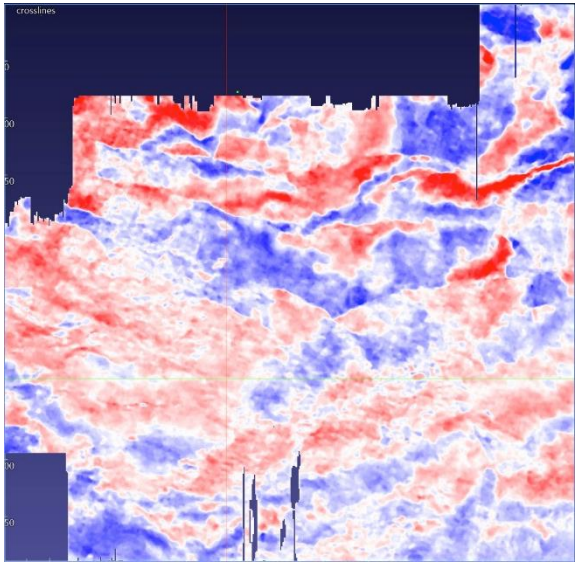

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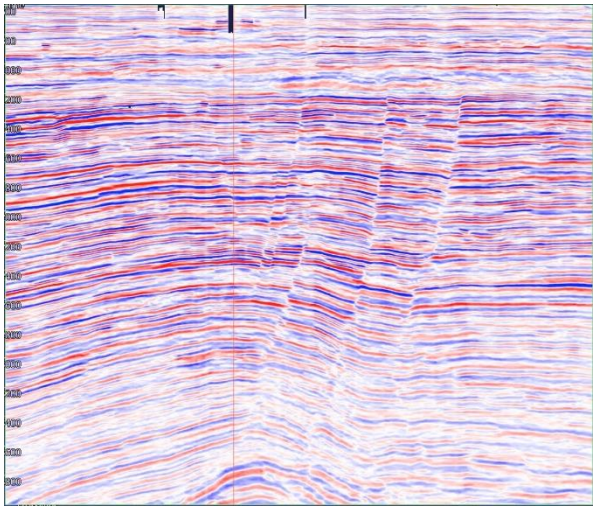

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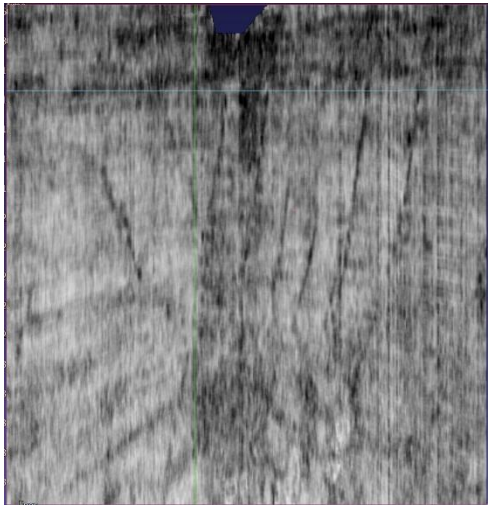
- Footprint still exists on many modern surveys!

Horizon Edge Stack run on Raw Seismic Data



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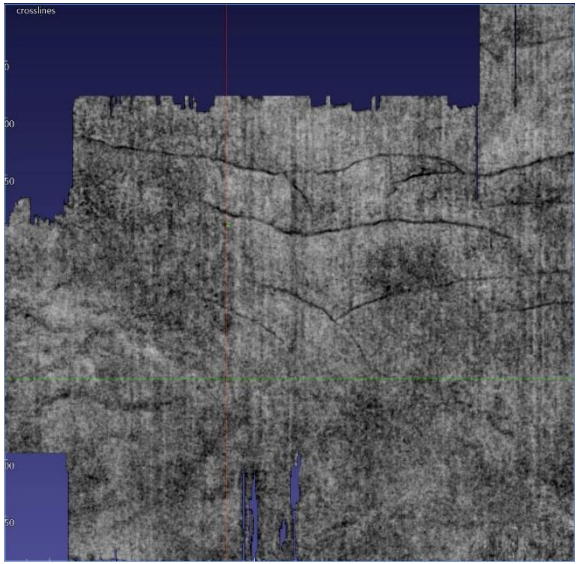

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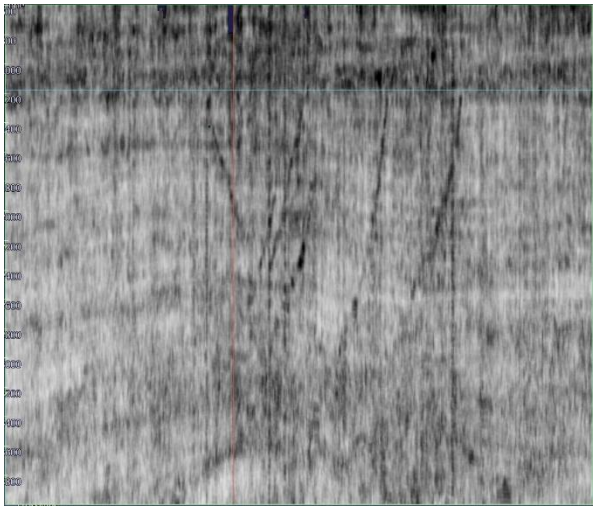

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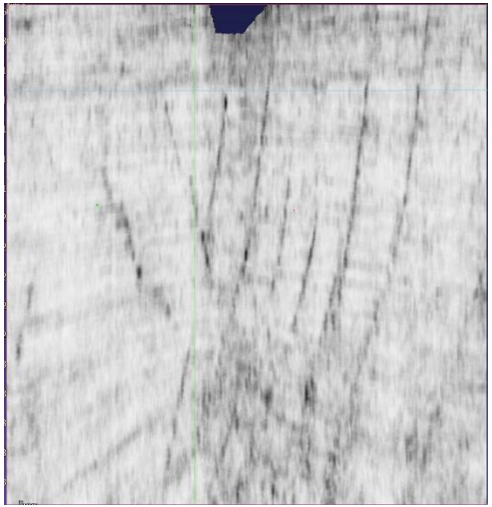

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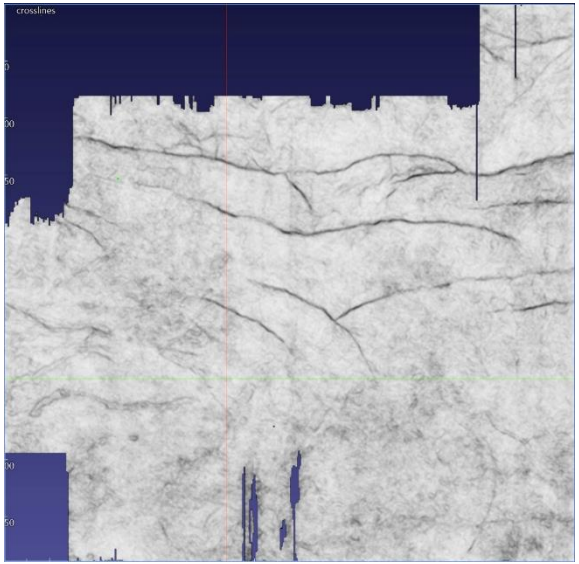

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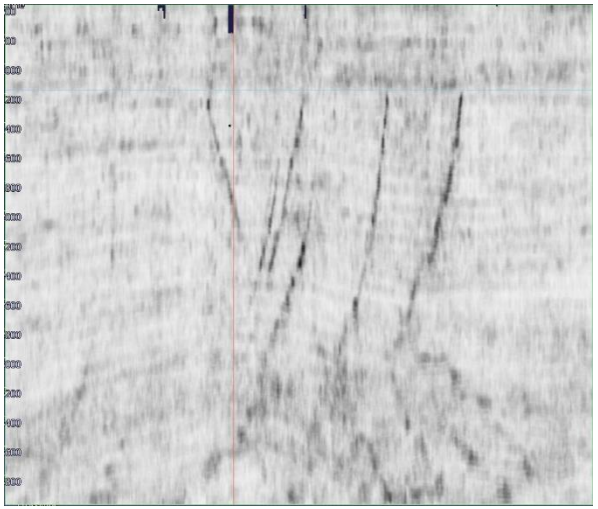

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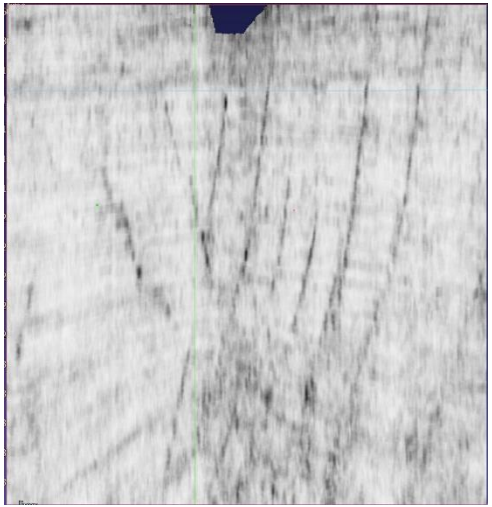

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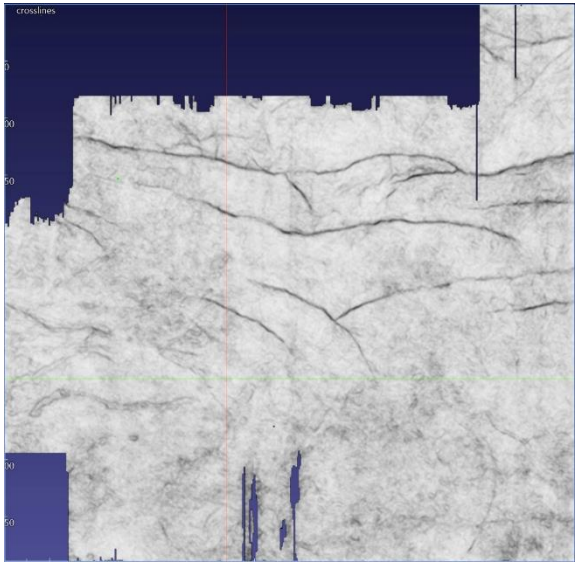

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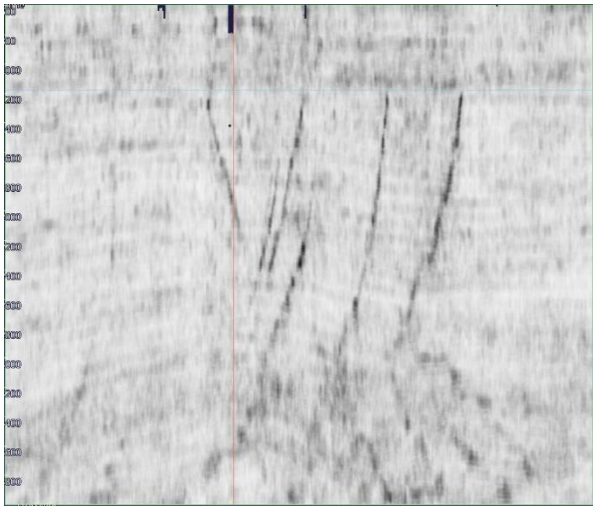

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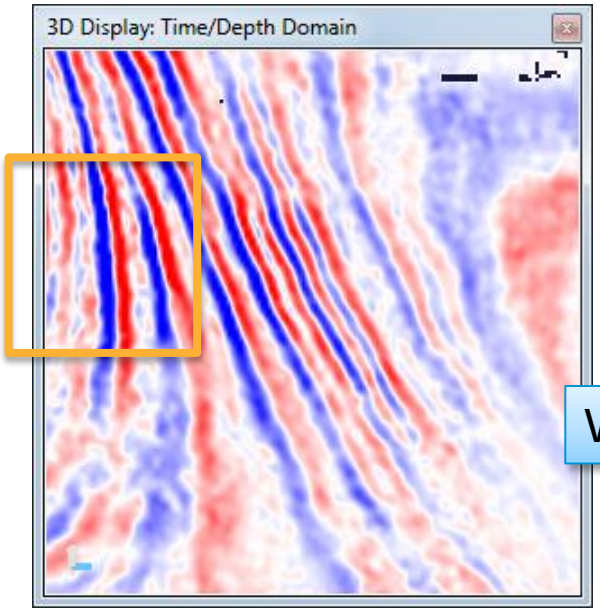
- Footprint Removal improves results later in the workflow
  - Especially for edge-based algorithms

Footprint Removal – Dip Compensation

- Why is dip-compensation necessary?



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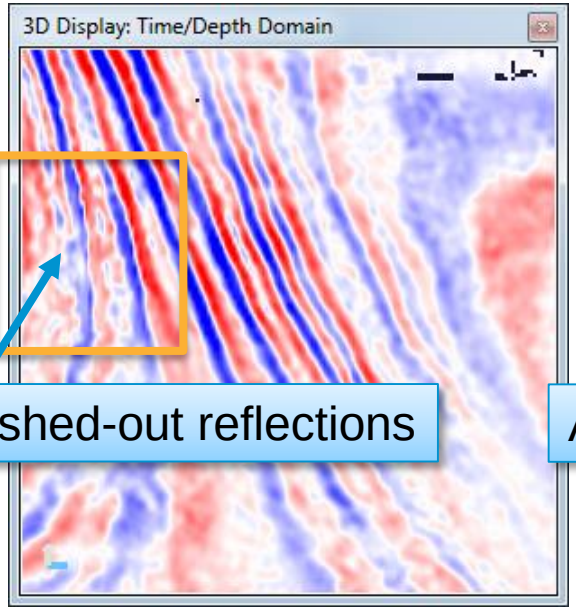
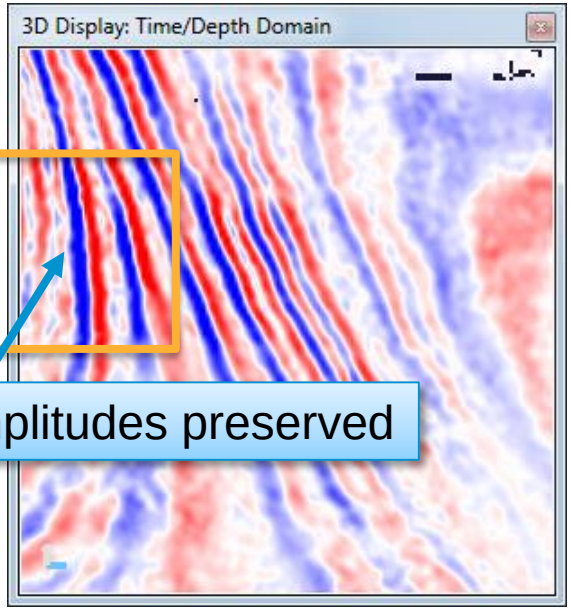


Non-dip-compensated
Footprint Removal



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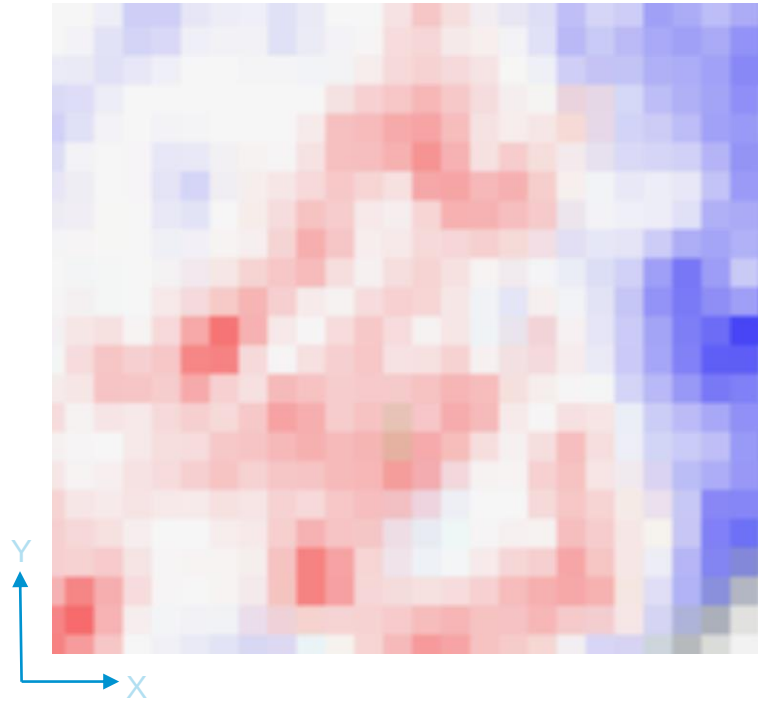

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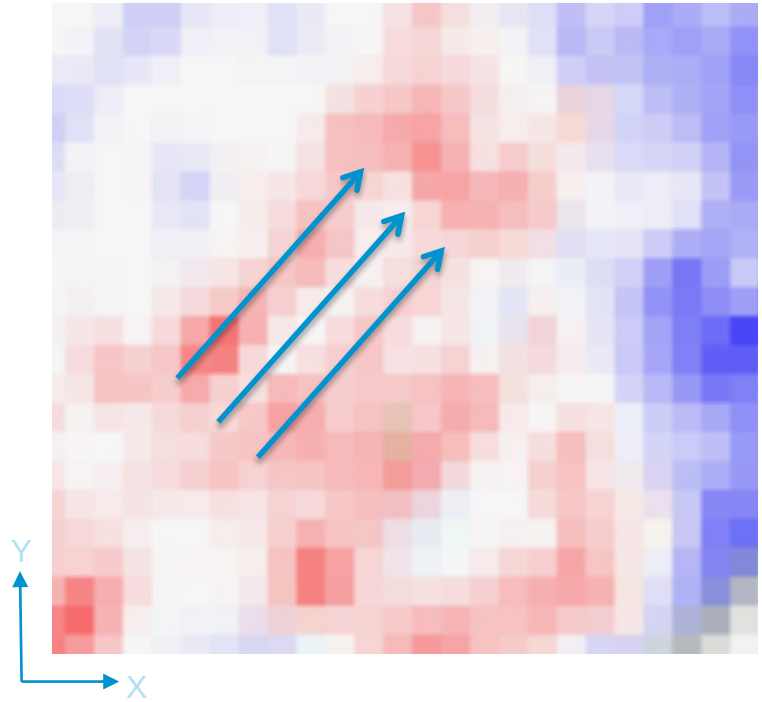
  - The algorithm would not “recognize” such a feature unless…
  - We rotate to sample parallel to the stripe
  - This can be combined (accurately) with dip-compensation



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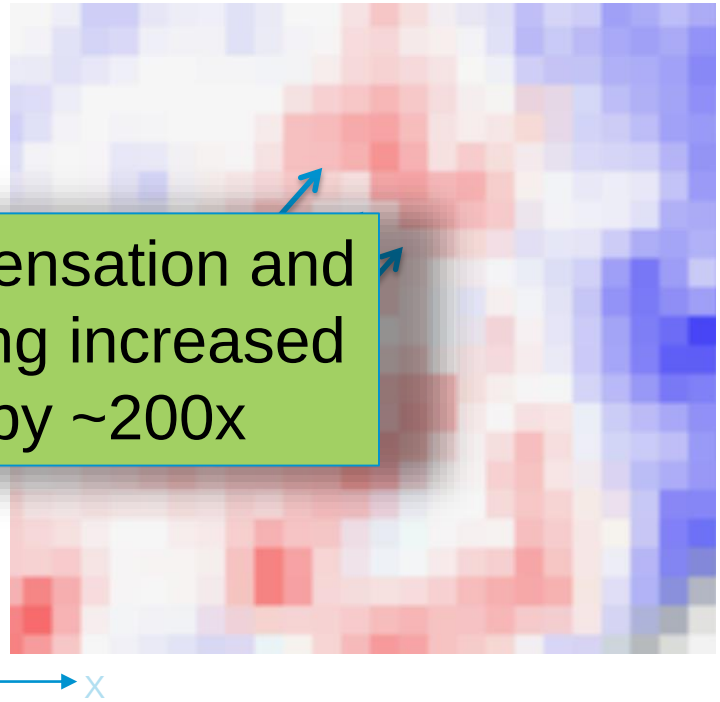
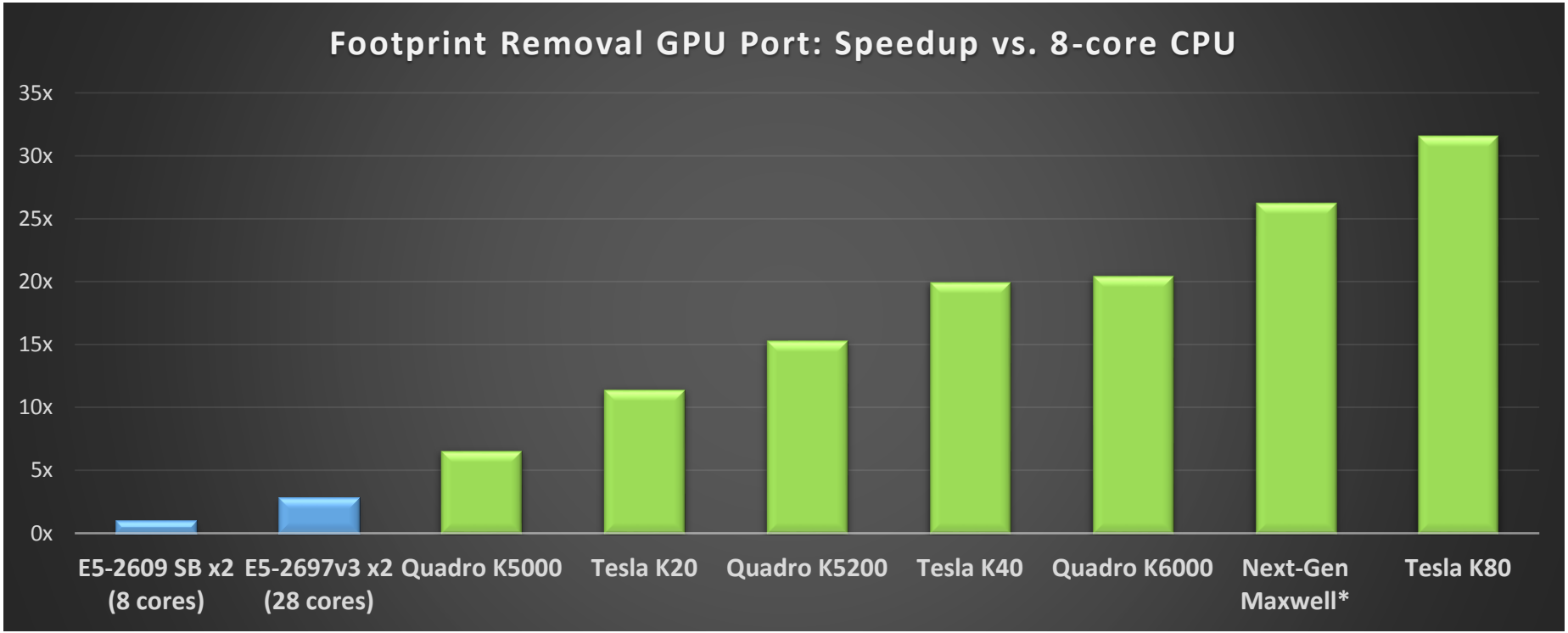
But adding dip compensation and oblique-angle handling increased runtime on the CPU by ~200x



GPU Port
Performance and Workflow Impact

Footprint Removal on the GPU – Performance Impact



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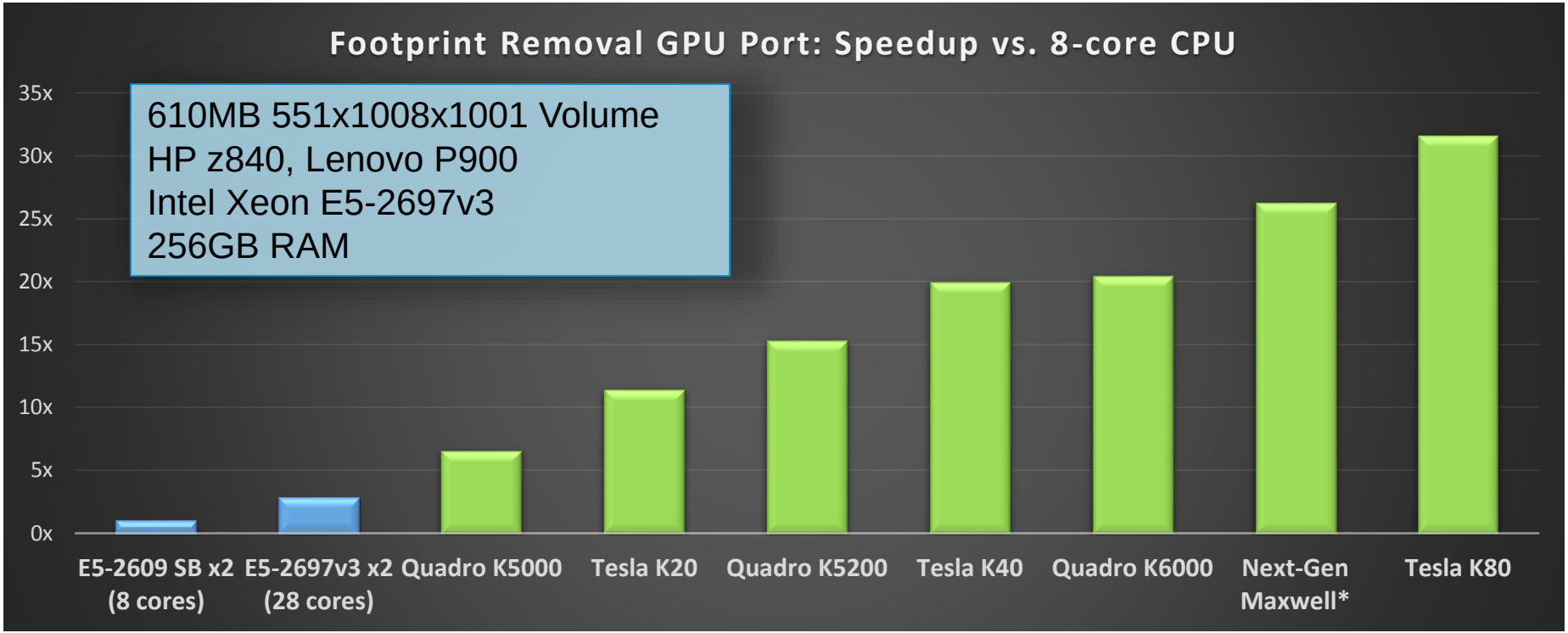

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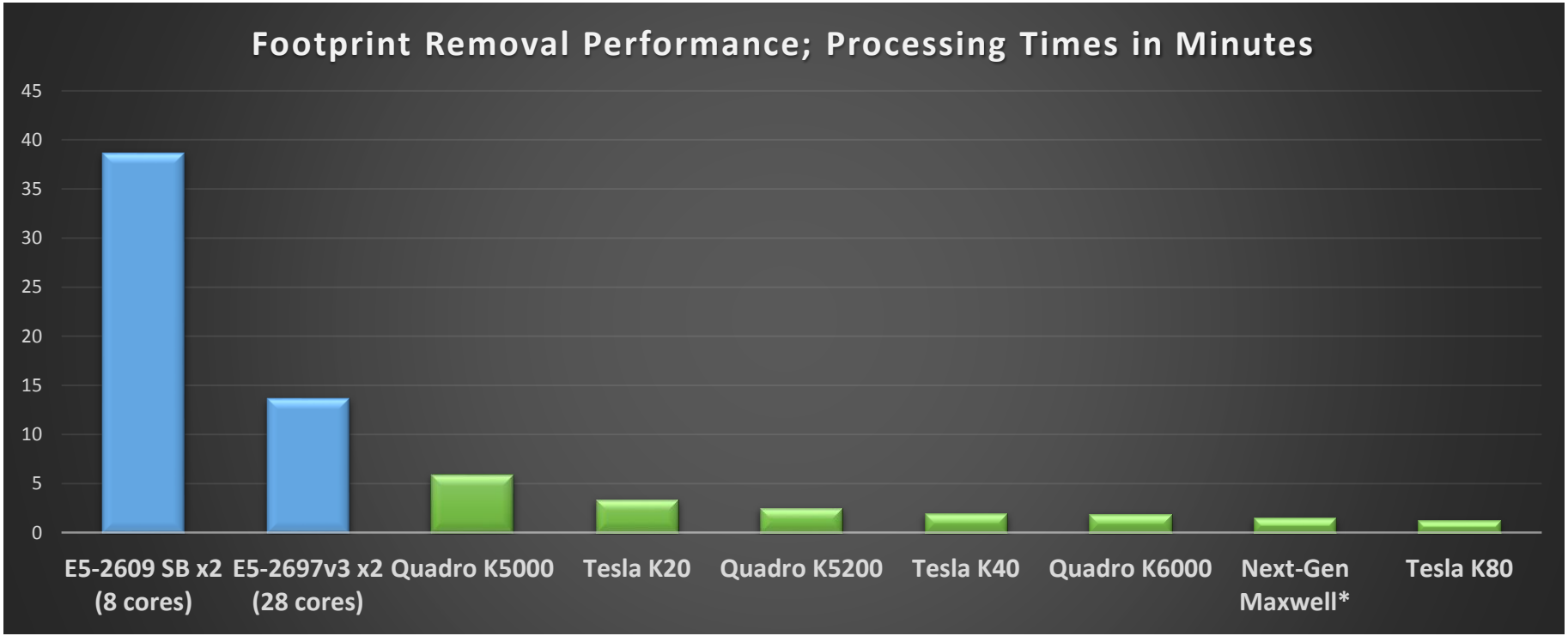

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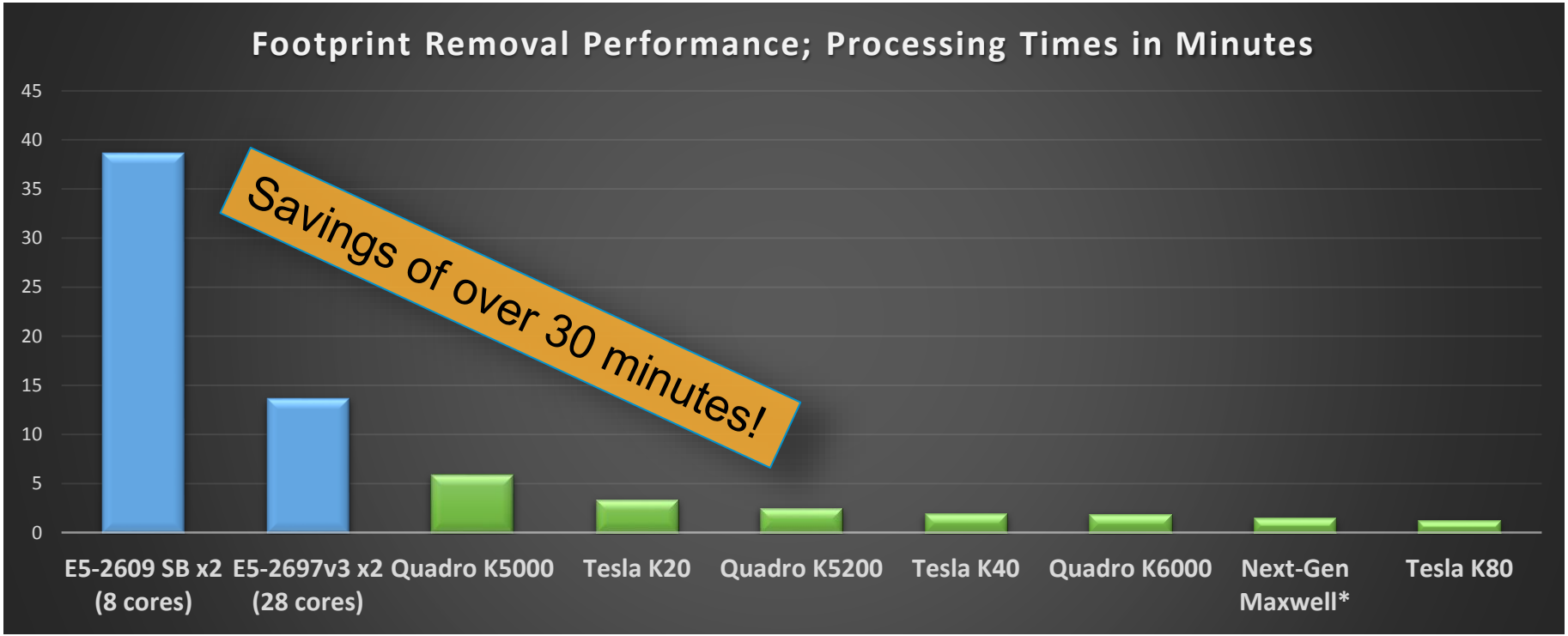

Footprint Removal on the GPU – Workflow Impact

1. Load Raw Seismic Volume
2. Create Horizon Orientation (Structural Dip) Volume
3. Remove Footprint
   - Parameterize footprint removal
     - Footprint Orientation, Wavelength, Time/Depth Range
   - Repeat steps 2 and 3 for each footprint orientation and each footprint wavelength
4. Create Horizon Orientation Volume
5. Remove Random Noise
   - Default is Statistical Filter – Median, 3x3x1

Footprint Removal on the GPU – Workflow Impact

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3. R…
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How many iterations might this take??

Footprint Removal – Real-world Example

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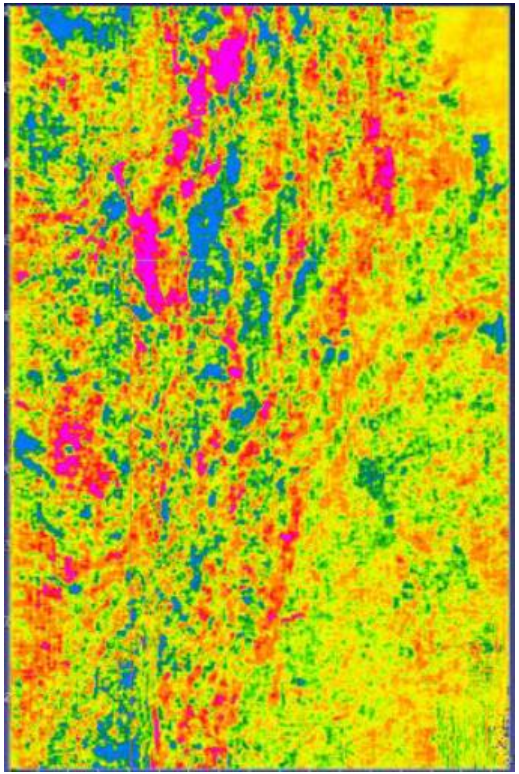
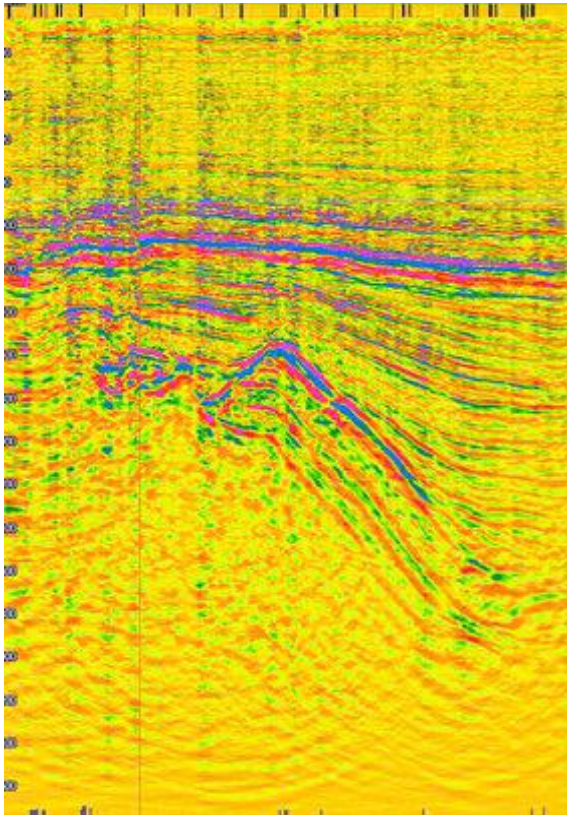
500x331x1000;





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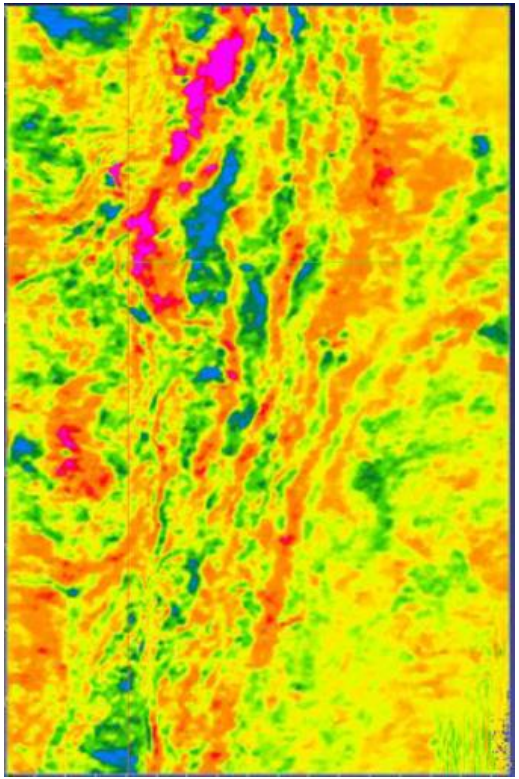

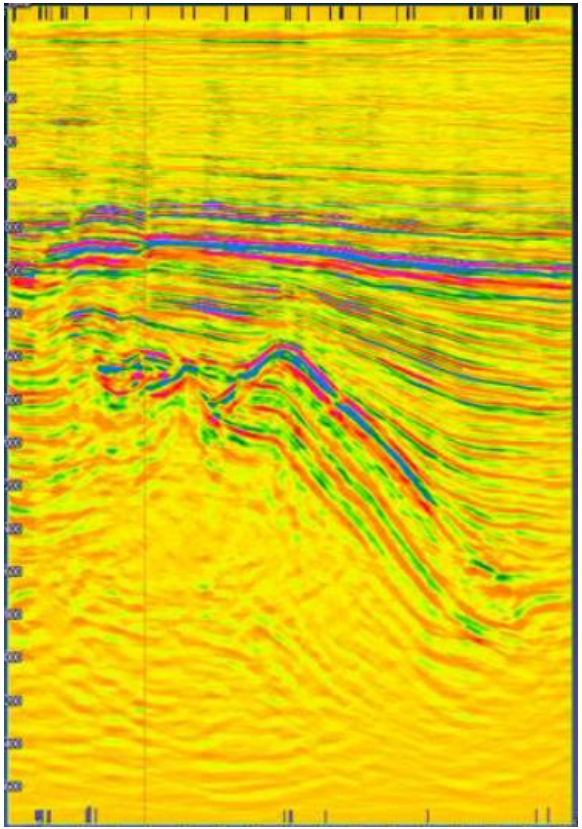

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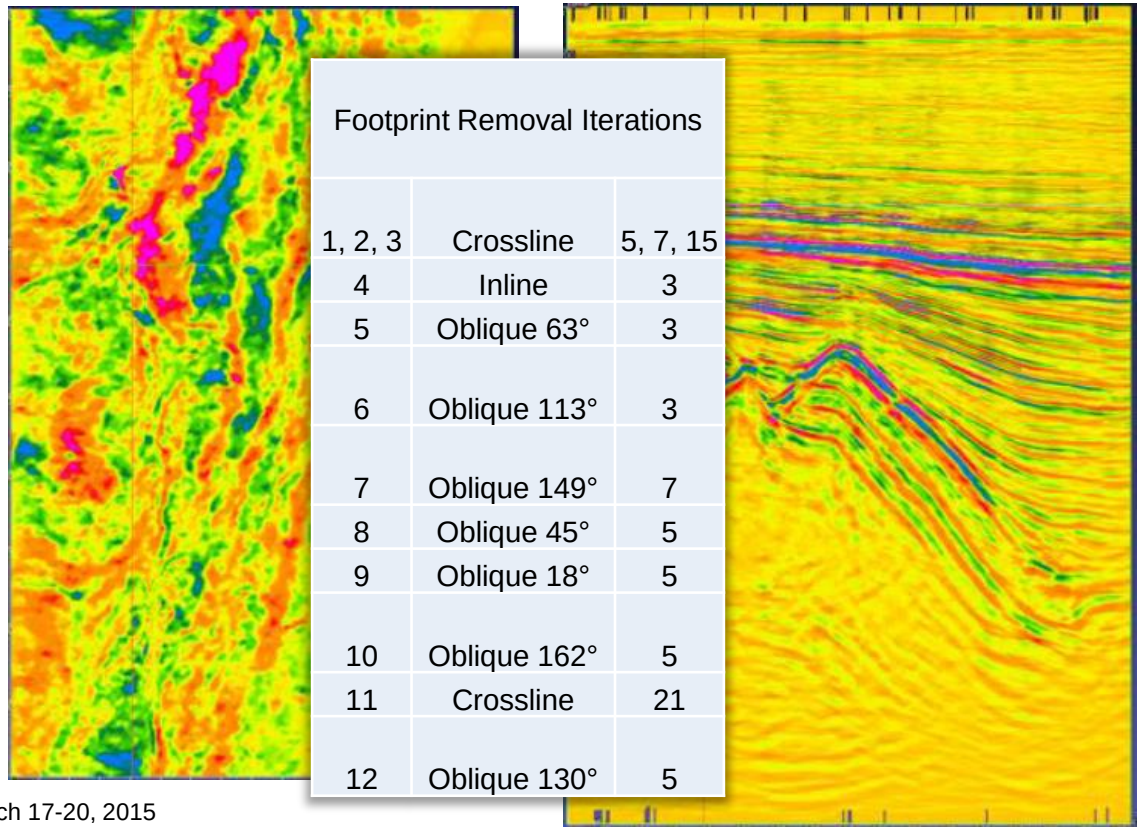

Footprint Removal Iterations		
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4	Inline	3
5	Oblique 63°	3
6	Oblique 113°	3
7	Oblique 149°	7
8	Oblique 45°	5
9	Oblique 18°	5
10	Oblique 162°	5
11	Crossline	21
12	Oblique 130°	5

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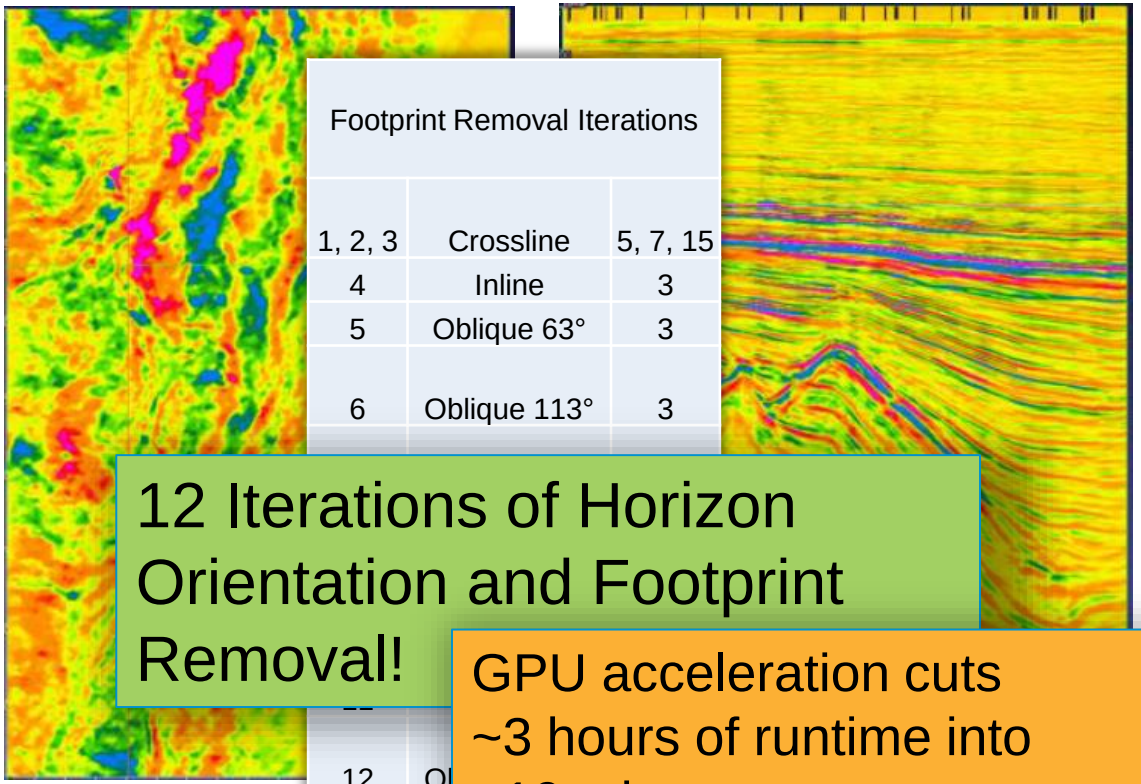

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12 Iterations of Horizon Orientation and Footprint Removal!

GPU acceleration cuts ~3 hours of runtime into ~10 minutes

What have we learned?

Footprint Removal on the GPU – What we've learned

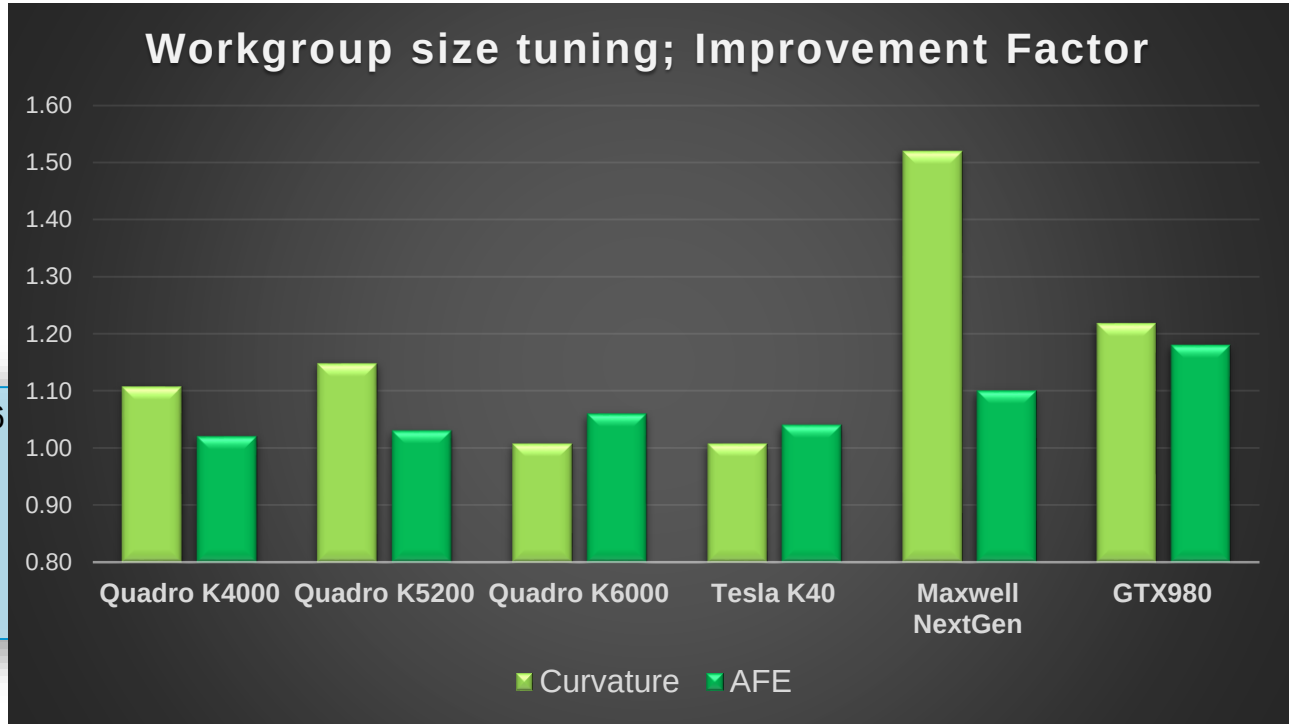
- GTC 2012 – Seismic Interpretation Algorithms on the GPU
  - Initial results on porting several algorithms
  - Recommended porting worst-performer algorithms
    - But start with the simplest of them
  - Recommended developers with at least graphics experience
- GTC 2013 – "Porting makes you stronger"
  - Porting to the GPU makes your non-GPU code faster and more accurate
- GTC 2015
  - …?

Footprint Removal on the GPU – What we've learned

- Don't "Port and Forget" – 3 R's:
- Revisit
  - Revisit GPU code annually; question previous decisions
- Re-tune
  - Sounds obvious, but new hardware will likely need re-tuning
- Re-optimize
  - Look for missed opportunities to optimize
  - Re-think the algorithm (fourth R?)

Footprint Removal on the GPU – What we've learned

- Why not "Port and forget?" – Part 1
  - Workgroup/grid/block size tuning - Improvements between 2% and 52%



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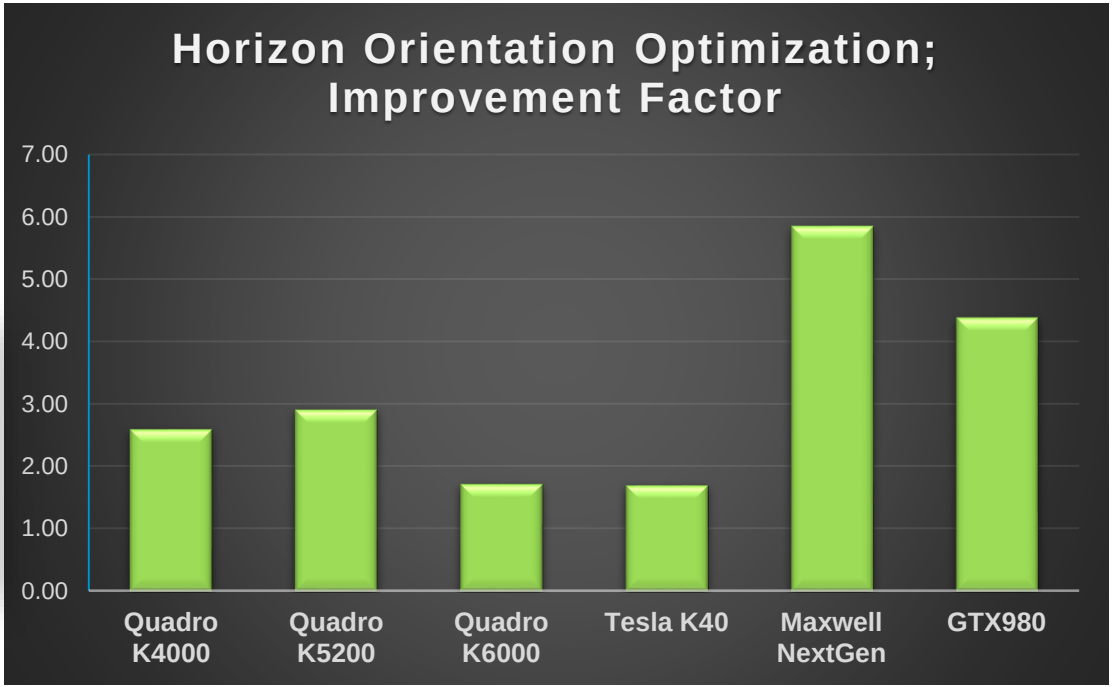
Footprint Removal on the GPU – What we've learned

- Why not "Port and forget?" – Part 2
  - Missed optimizations (a.k.a. "what were we thinking?!?")
  - Inefficient loop structure
  - Over-use of double-precision



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Footprint Removal on the GPU – What we've learned (Cont.)

- Although CPUs are continuing to improve, GPUs maintain their performance edge.
- CPU-only versions of the code are increasingly used only as a "reference implementation"
  - Similar to software rasterization
- Customers comparing performance of previous GPU algorithms to new GPU algorithms
  - "What have you done for me lately?"
- Our previous recommendation of prior graphics experience has been validated.
- Our approach of starting small with a GPU port, building up a framework, then leveraging it as it matures has also been validated.

Footprint Removal - Summary

Footprint Removal on the GPU – Summary

- Acquisition Footprint Removal
  - Striping artifacts, even on modern data
- GPU Port – Performance Impact
  - Up to 30x faster
- GPU Port – User/Workflow Impact
  - Users can run many passes, even dip compensated and/or oblique
- What we've learned
  - Don't Port and Forget
  - Revisit / Retune / Reoptimize

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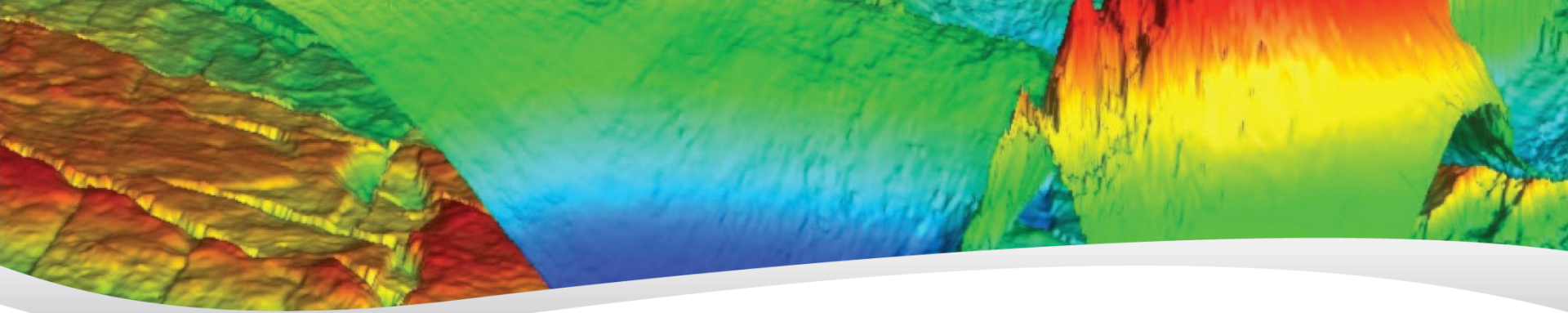

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