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MODEL-BASED AND DATA-DRIVEN RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT THROUGH DIGITAL FIELDS CONCEPTS



UNISIM

RESERVOIR SIMULATION & MANAGEMENT



INTEGRATION WITH:

Geosciences

Production

Economic Evaluation

Data Science



OBJECTIVES

Simulation

Education

Innovation

Methodology

Software



Introduction

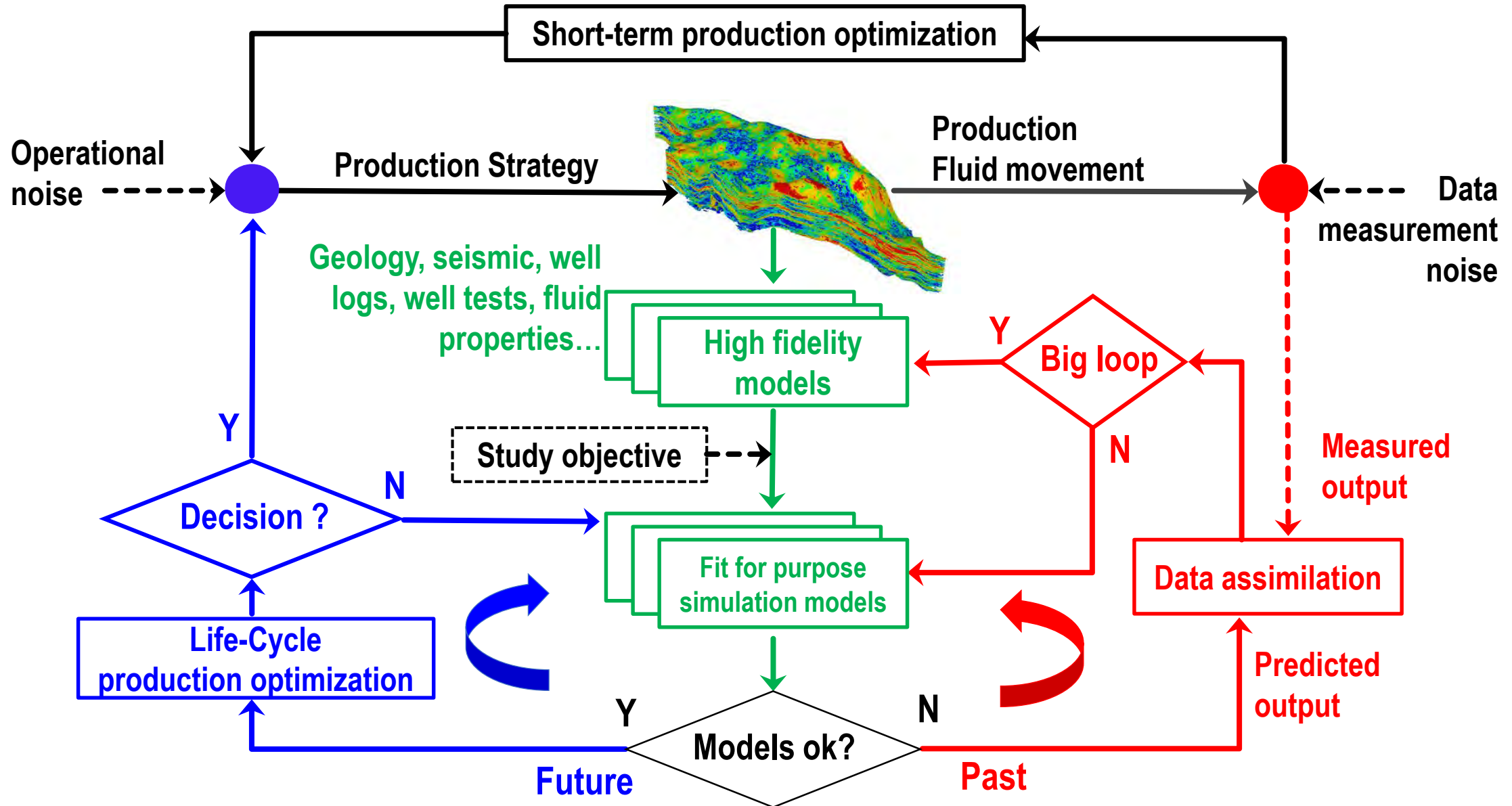
- Improve decision making process using reservoir simulation models, **data** and special tools
- High investments, low flexibility, long-term projects (complex decisions) → offshore and pre-salt fields
- Reliability and quality of studies
- Simulation (main tool) (high computational demand)
- High number of simulations (higher chances of better decisions)
- Multiple runs management – **multi-fidelity approaches**
- Techniques to speedup decisions
- Digital fields (life-cycle and **short-term** forecast and decisions)



CLFDM

Closed Loop Field Development and Management

Model-based CLFDM



Black Step

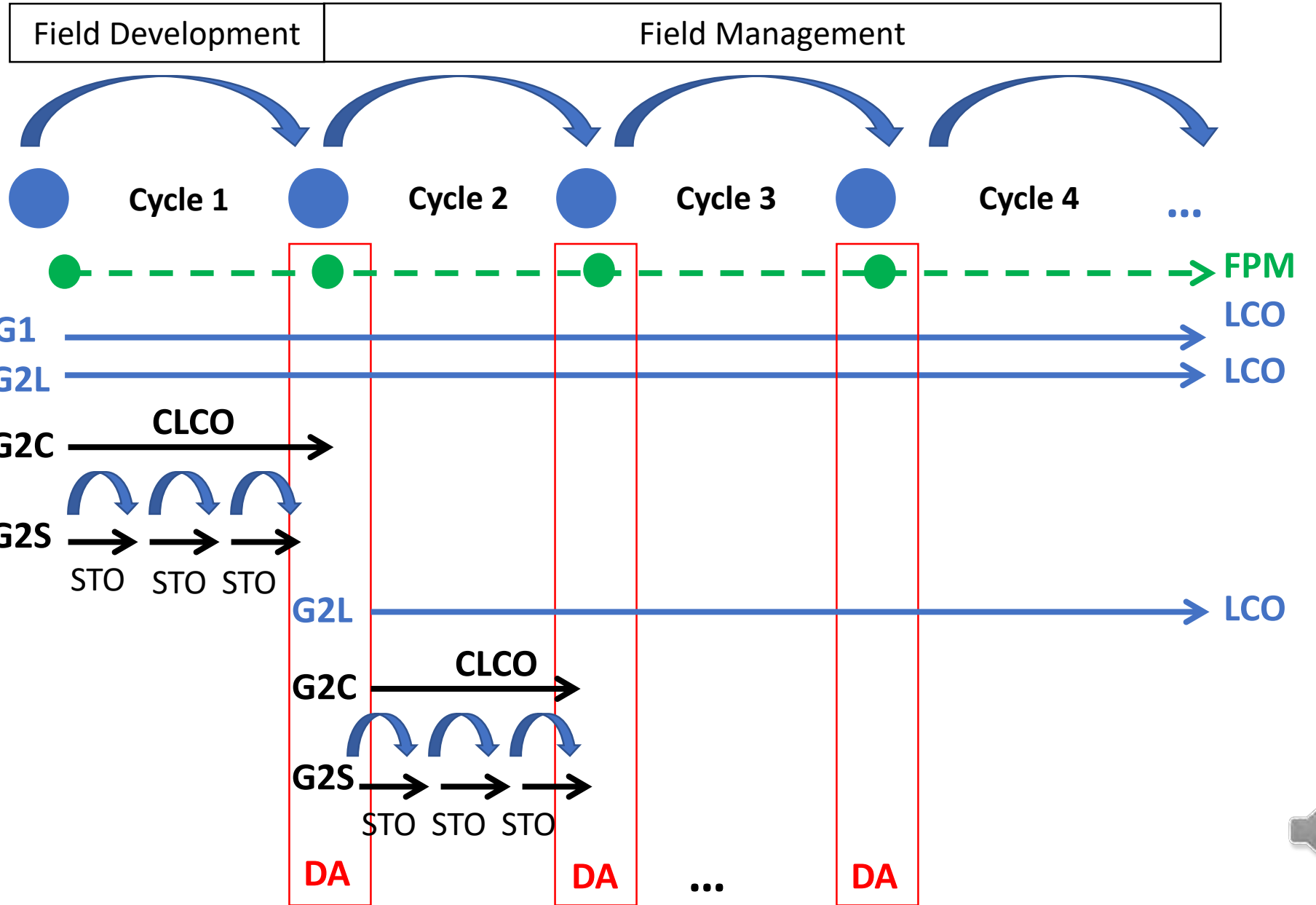
- Focus of today's presentation
- Final decision → implementation in the field field
 - Development (design) variables (group 1 – G1)
 - Management (control) variables (group 2 – G2)
 - G2L – lyfe-cycle rules selected in the blue steps
 - G2C – cycle variables
 - G2S – short-term → real time
 - Revitalization variables (group 3 - G3)
- Operational noise (delays, availability, ...)



CL Cycles

- Less variables
- Simpler optimization methods
- Better management rules

- Adaptation to operational disturbance and uncertainties

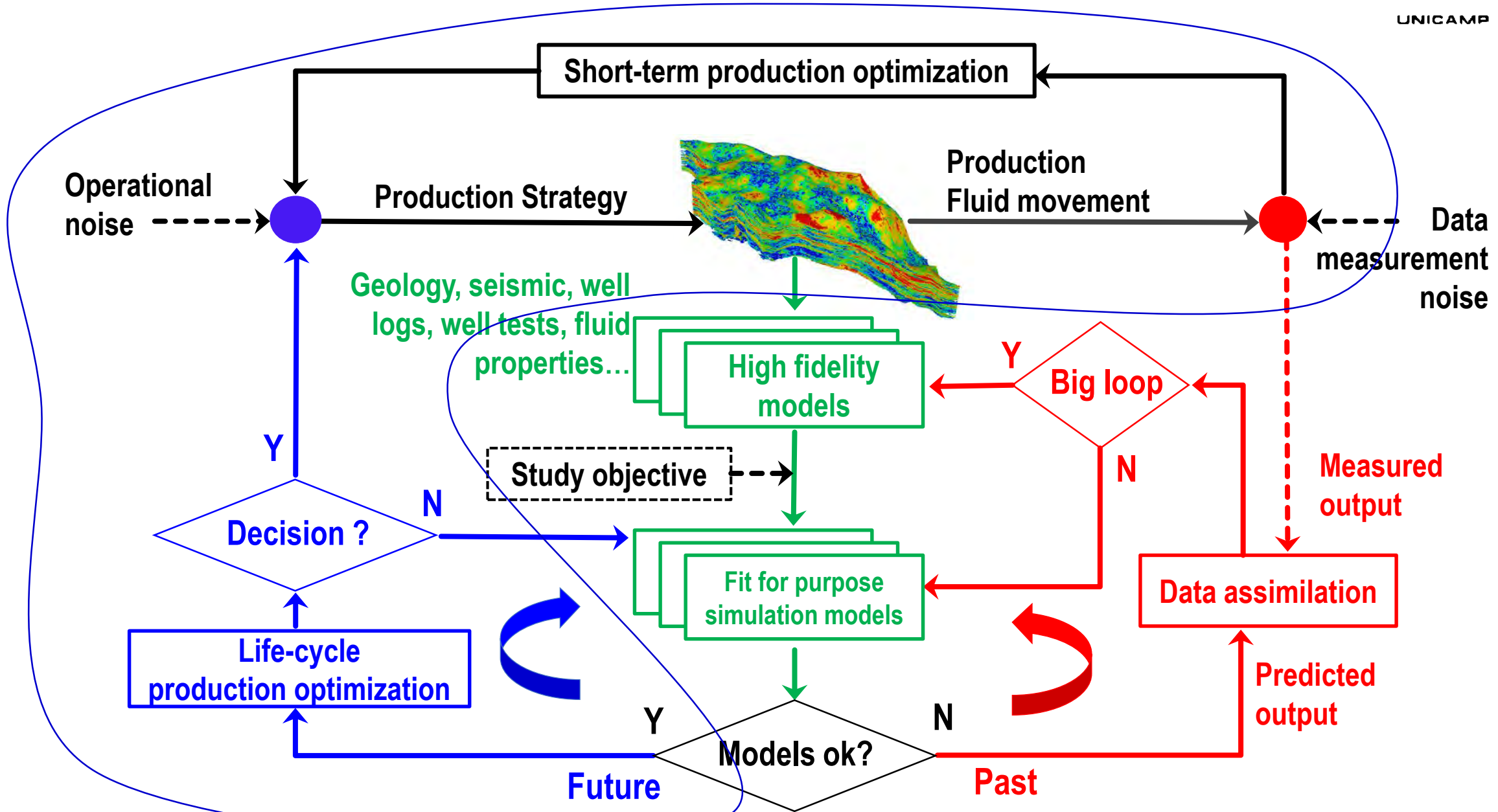


Current Energi Simulation Chair Preparation to Digital Field

Main motivation: simulation models are often used for life-cycle objectives but not often used to short-term, real-time applications → digital fields



Model-based CLFDM

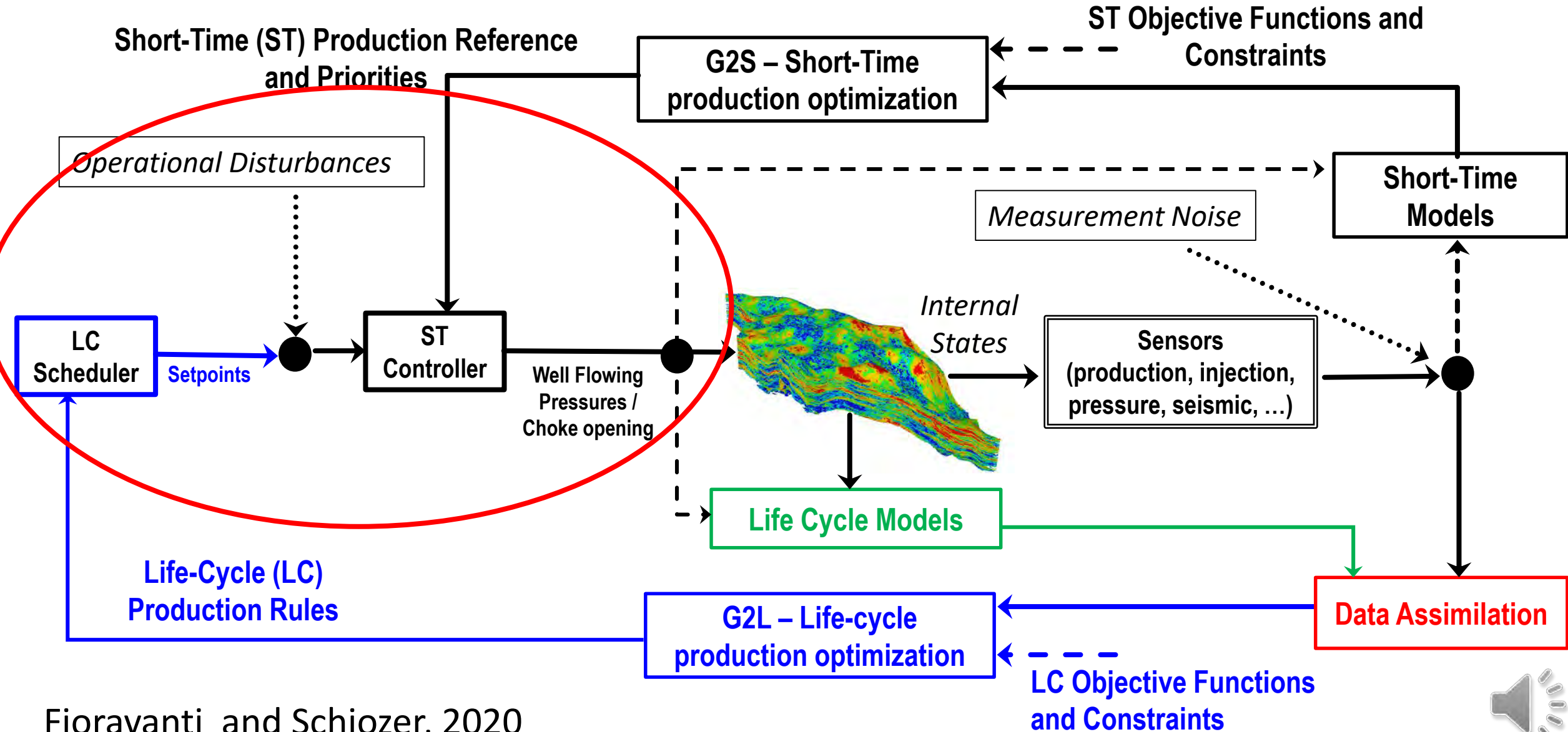


Steps towards digital fields → actions

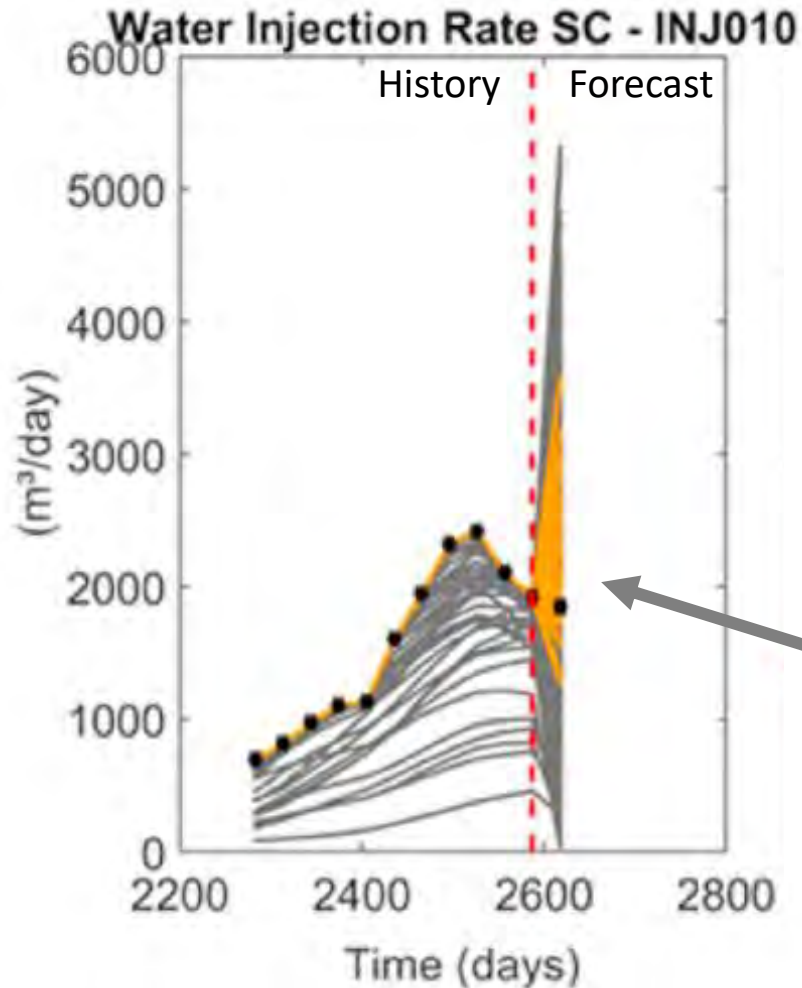
- Use of reservoir simulation models for shorter-term decisions
- Problems detected so far
 - Better transition “past-future” for simulation models
 - Integration with production facilities to improve short-term forecast
 - Better estimation of forecast conditions
 - Emphasize differences of control variables, physical restrictions, reservoir, management, operational problems, prorating, maintenance, etc.
- Future steps
 - Integration with data-driven approaches (machine learning techniques)
 - Reduce size of CL Cycle
- Model quality indicators → fit-for-purpose models to be used in short-term decisions may be different
 - Multi-fidelity models
- Probabilistic approaches (as we use in life-cycle) may have to change
 - Less influence of several uncertainties



CLFDM – cycle and short-term control



Transition past → future



Almeida et al. (2020)

Example of multiple realization runs that honors the past but with a future behavior inconsistent with data

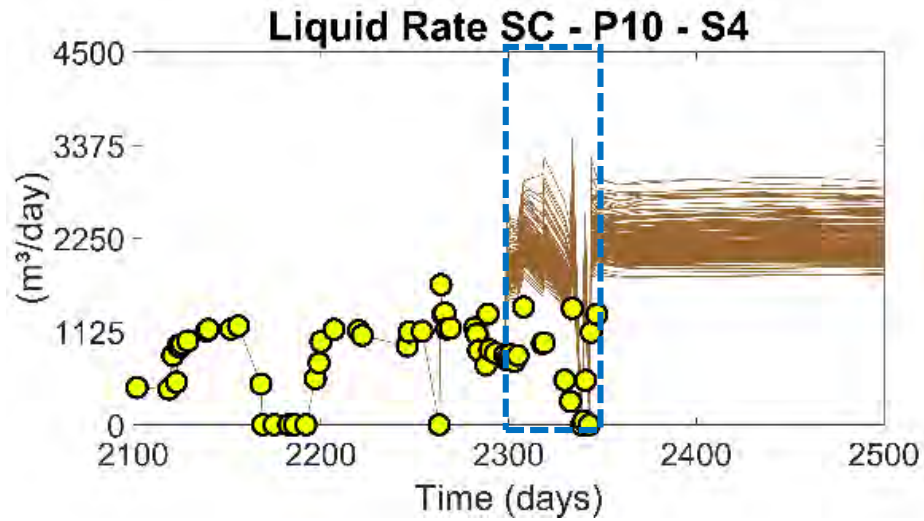
Long-term effects small because material balance over time will approximate solutions

Short-term effects
very important

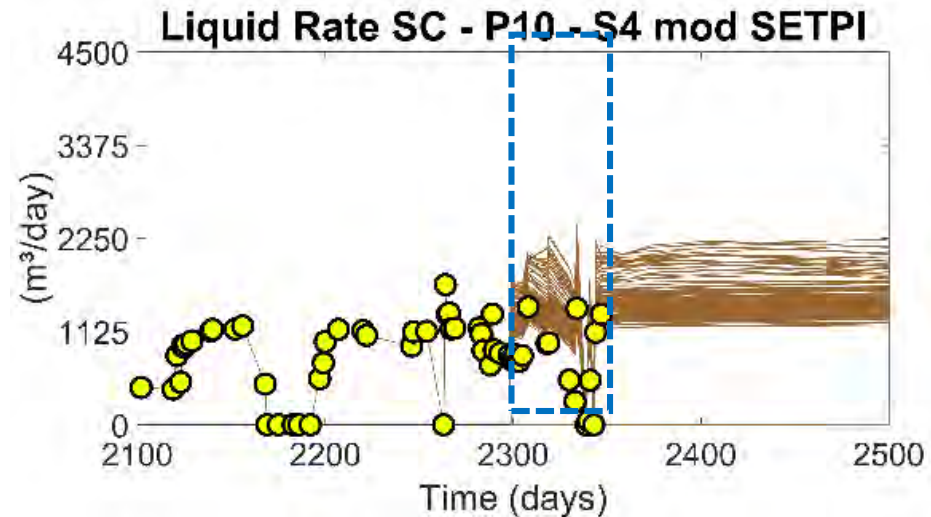


Improvement of Data assimilation Process

■ Example of problematic well (real field)



IP Corrections



Validation period

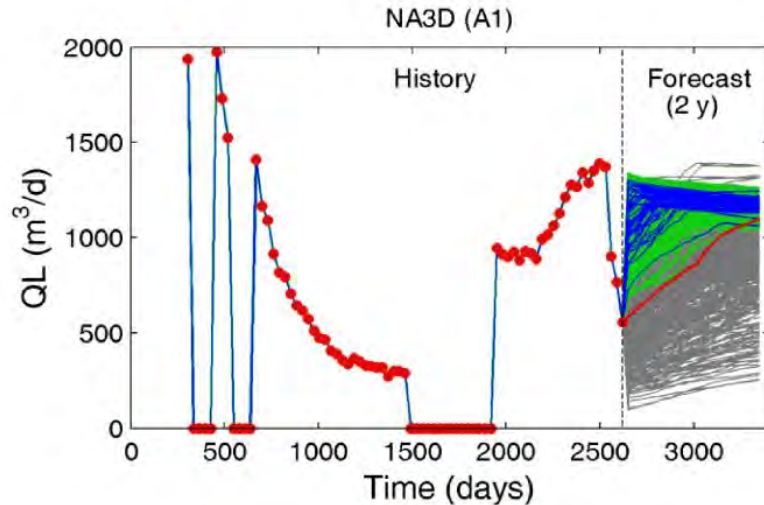
Boundary conditions changed to forecast mode



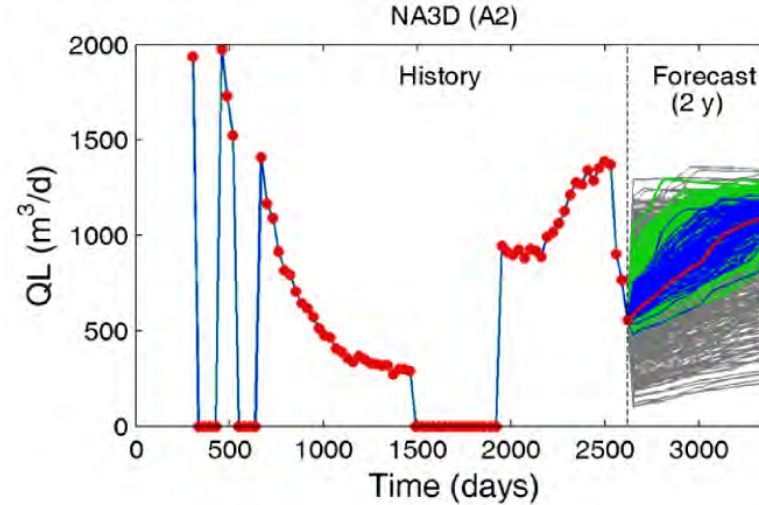
Reservoir and production system data assimilation

- Methodology for data assimilation comprising reservoir model and production system
- Main contribution: inclusion of Vertical Lift Performance (VLP) tables (resulting from the production system data assimilation) in the reservoir data assimilation process

Fixed VLP



VLP as a uncertain parameter in data assimilation



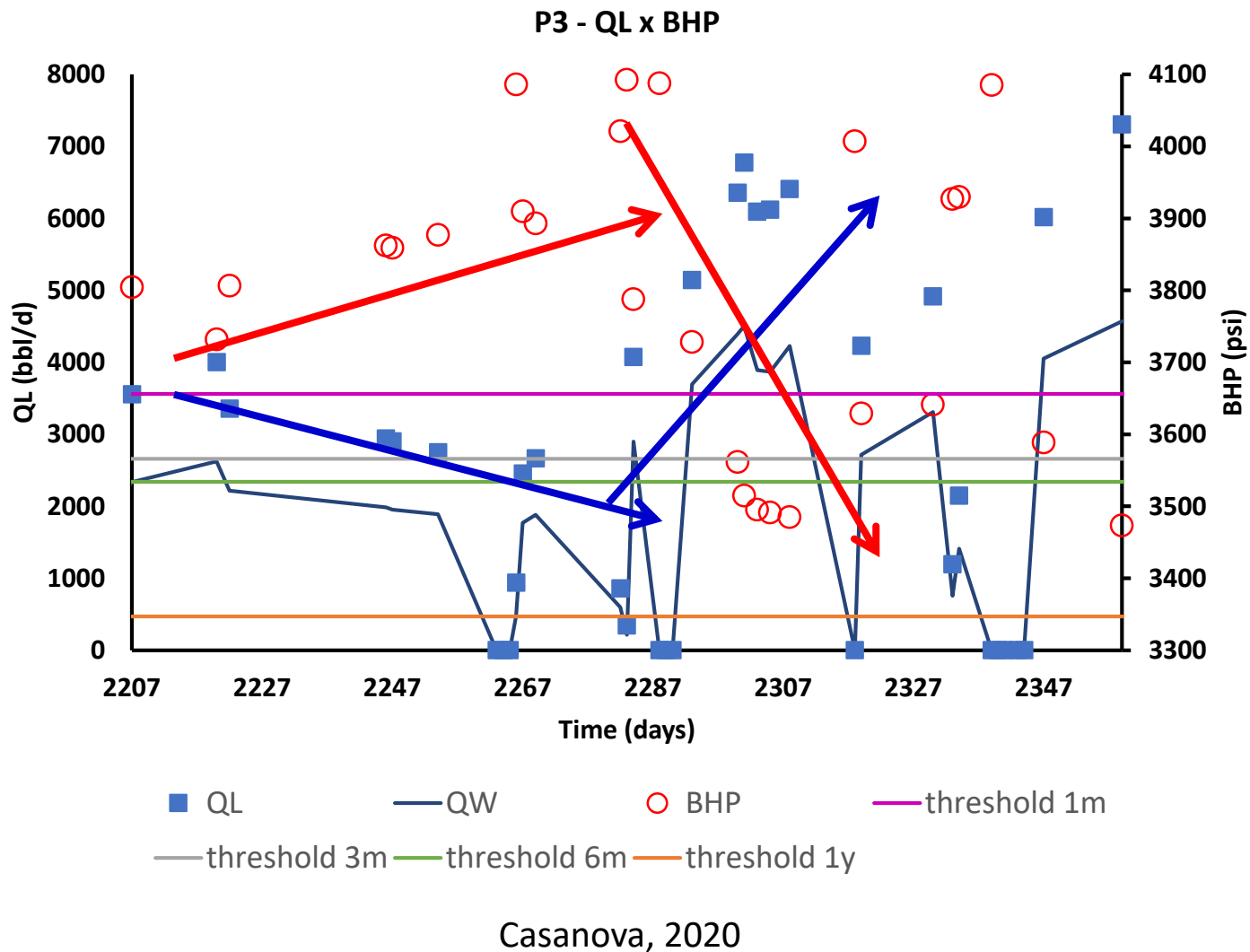
- Obs
- Prior
- Post
- Filtered models



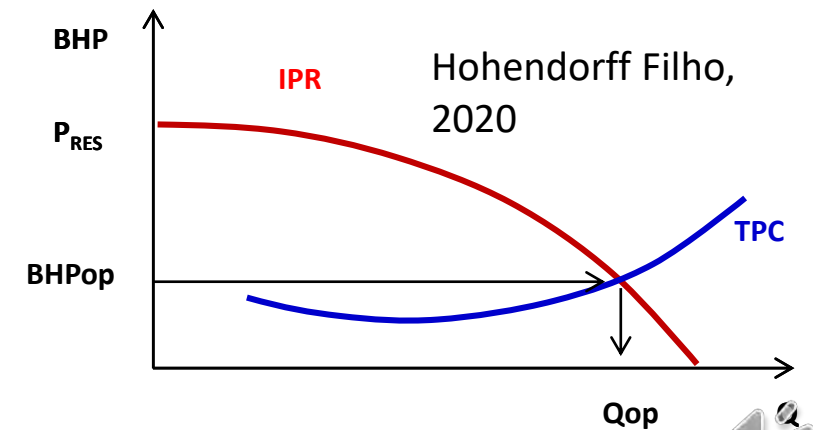
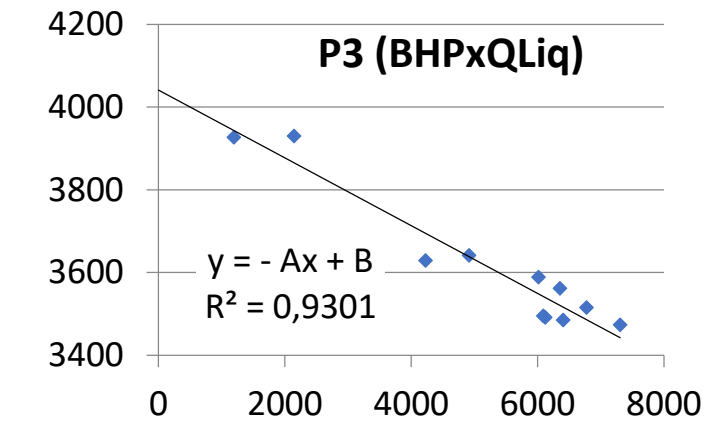
Improvements in short-term production forecast



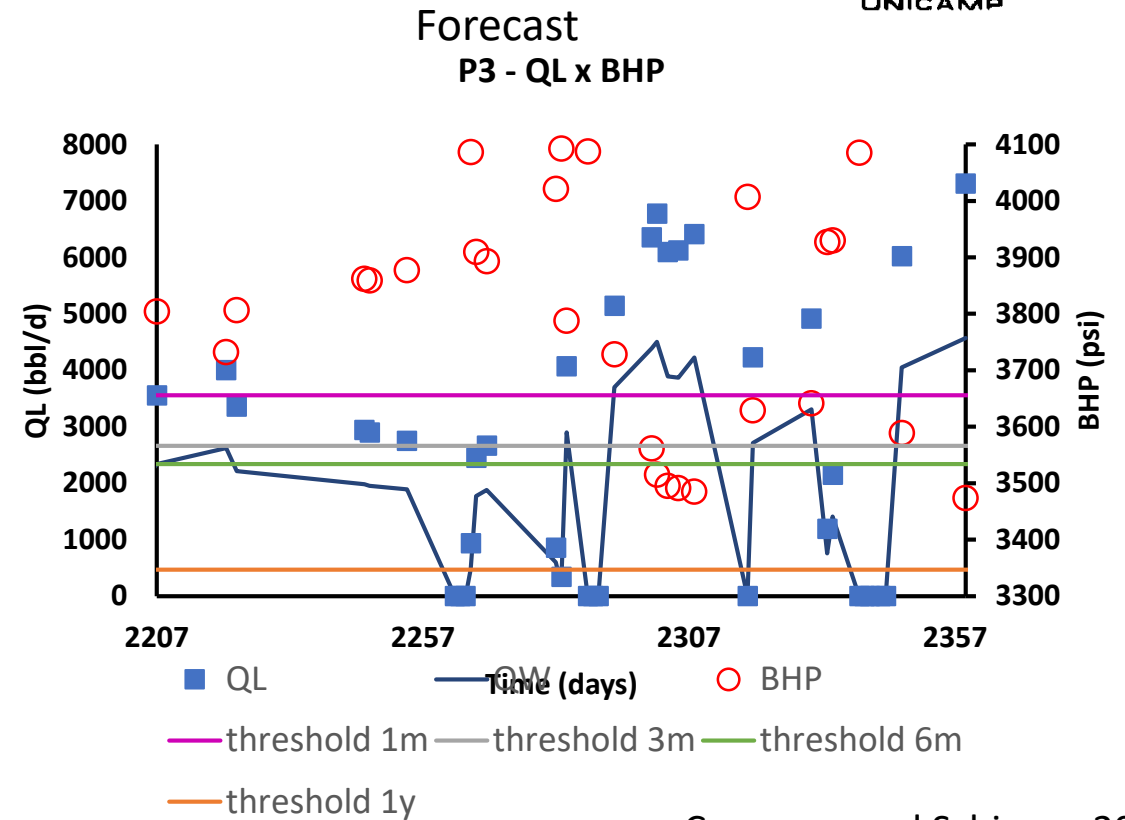
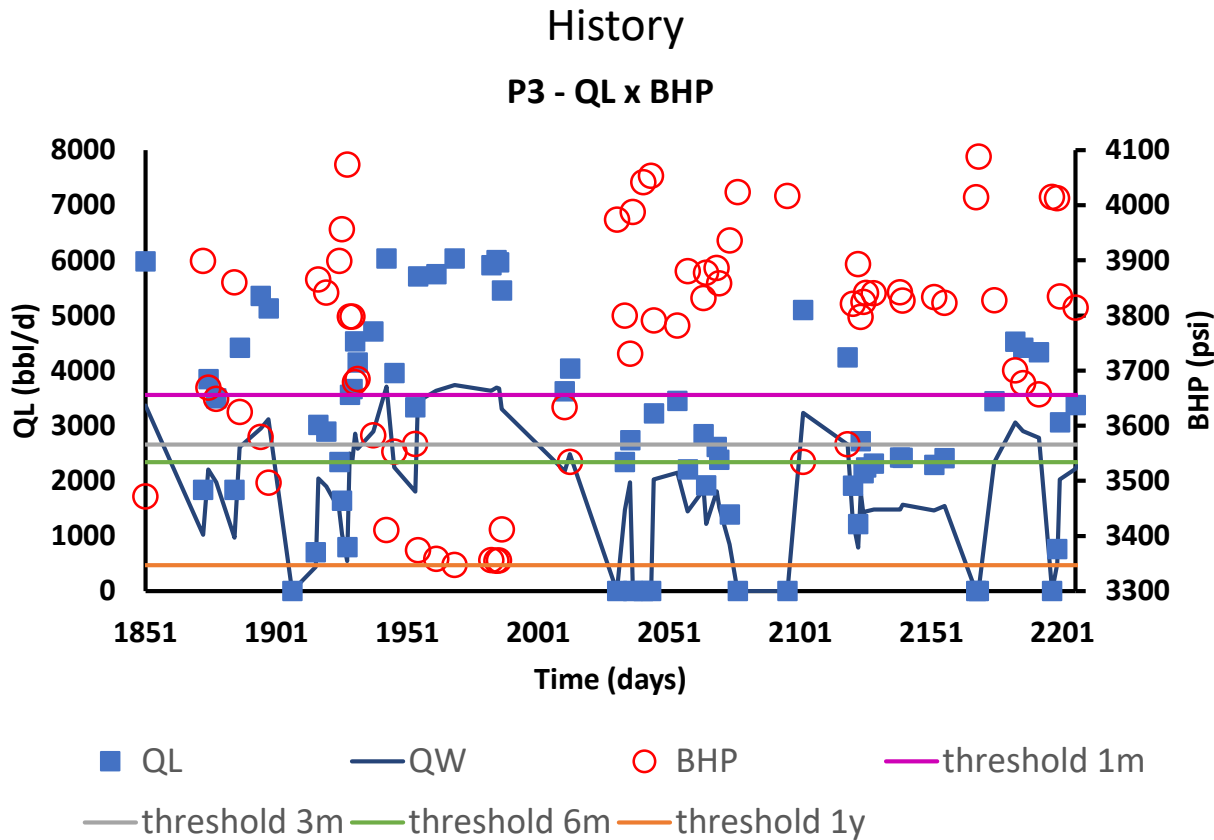
Example of well P3 forecast



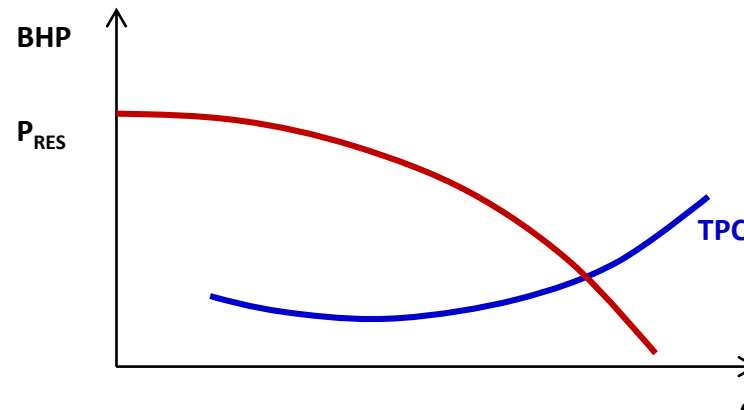
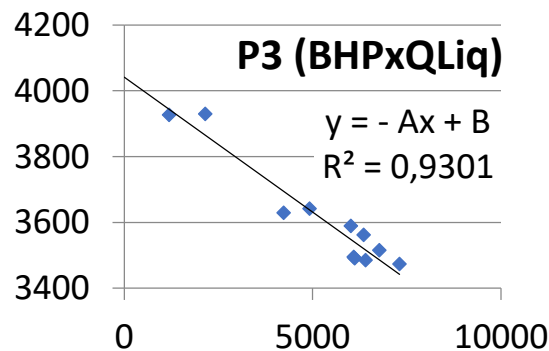
→ BHP behavior
→ QL behavior



Application (P3) → future BHP ?



Casanova and Schiozer, 2020

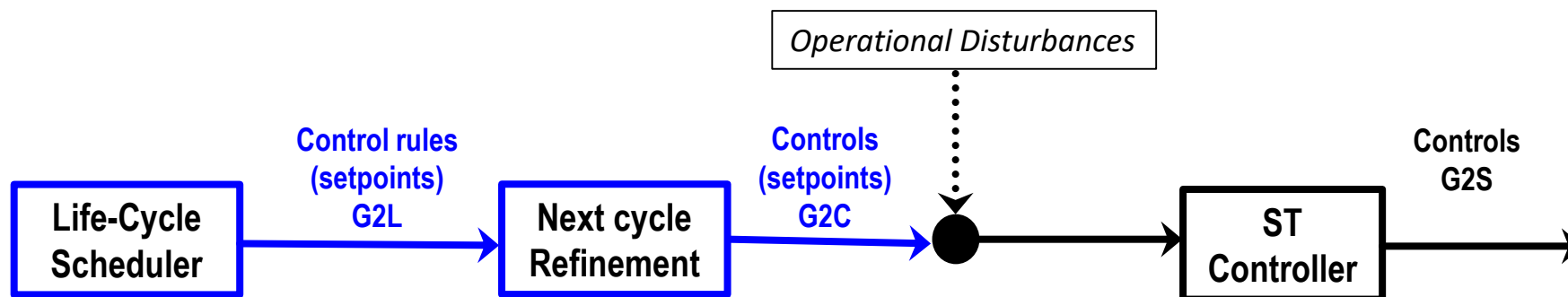


+ well reports + machine learning → short-term future behavior

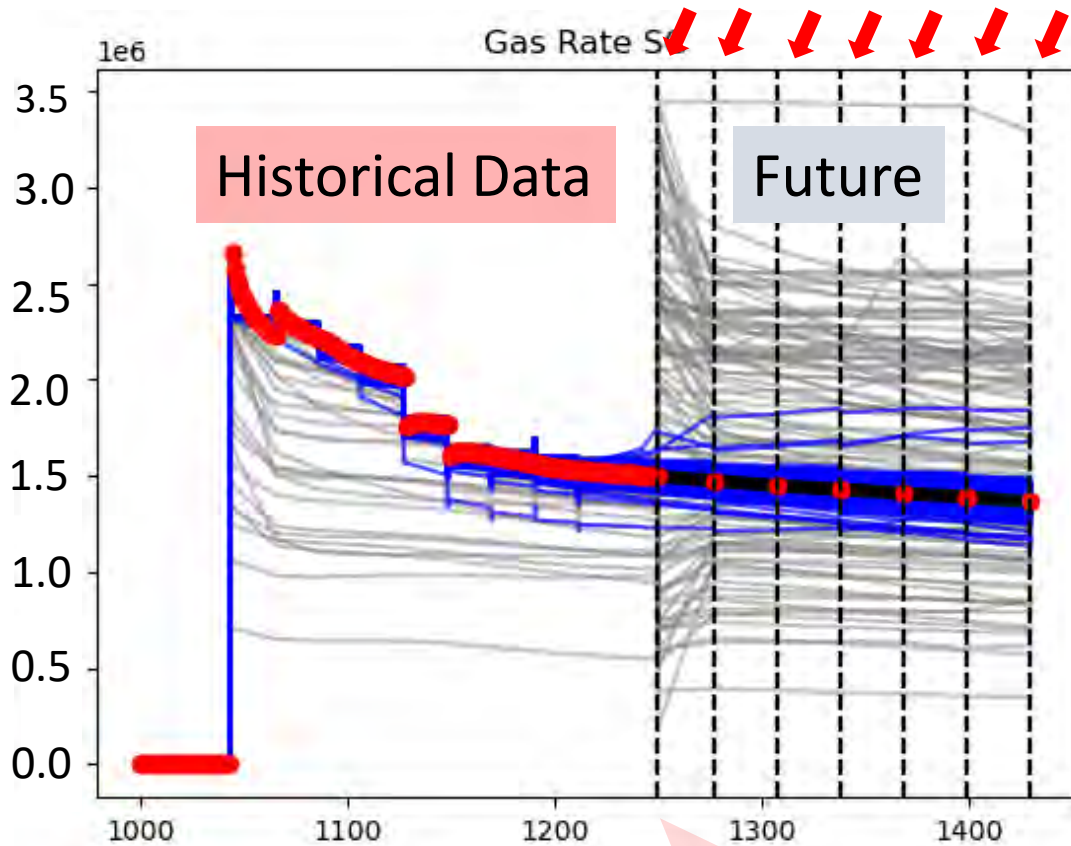


Steps towards digital fields

- Life-cycle**
- Human-intervention-free forecast
 - Reservoir potential (reservoir pressure, fluids saturations)
 - Well: IP
 - Production facilities: pipes, pumps, valves, separators, ICV, ...
 - Facilities constraints (physical limits) – maximum capacities
 - Field management: intentional controls to reach objectives
- Next cycle**
- Control of cycle parameters → G2C
- Short-term**
- MT / ST operational management: well tests, preventive maintenance, prorating stops, ...
 - Operational problems: random problems that change production systems
 - Not Mapped Uncertainties → not expected behavior in LC forecast
- General control rules (setpoints) G2L**

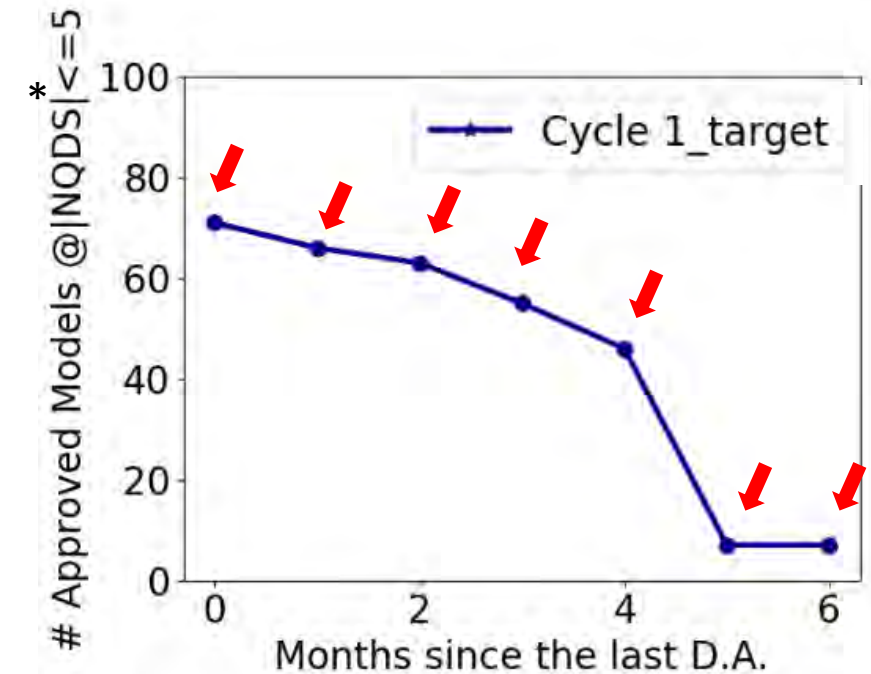


Quality over time (cycle)



Data assimilation

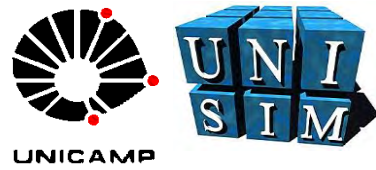
Tracking NQDS over time after Data Assimilation



* Considering all objective functions



Model-based integration with data-driven



- Initial research lines (ST)

- Data-driven (DD) approaches for short-term forecast (Other professors)
 - Data-driven (DD) to correct model-based short-term forecast
- Model-based (MB) with uncertainties → boundary limits to DD forecast
- Increase frequency of analysis in MB decisions (shorter cycles)

- Future

- Real-time
- Possible applications for digital transformation



Final considerations



- Additional focus in 4 main areas (4 colors)
 - Models for short-term analysis: multi-fidelity analysis
 - Data assimilation for reduction uncertainties of reservoir models
 - Improvements of transition past-future behaviour
 - Modification in methods to ST analysis
 - Production forecast
 - Life-Cycle (G2L) → Cycle (G2C) → setpoints for ST controls (G2S)
 - Multi-fidelity approaches
 - Decision analysis : Cycle → ST → RT → Digital transformation
 - Probabilistic approaches used for MB Life-Cycle management → ST (less variability) (approaching deterministic ?)
- Preparation: digital field technology
- Application to pre-salt fields: giant carbonate fields with permanent 4D and intelligent completions – ICV, WAG-CO₂ injection, gas-driven optimization



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Extra Slides

Green steps challenges

- Speed up studies of complex and/or giant field
- Representation of critical heterogeneities with low computational cost
 - Karst, vug, fracture flow modeling
- Near well upscaling
- LFM (low fidelity models), FOFE (fast objective function estimators) of petrophysical properties
- Integration/combination with FOFE → multi-fidelity
- Improve benchmarks: more realistic operational problems

Internal Benchmarks:

UNISIM-I (typical of Campos Basin offshore field)

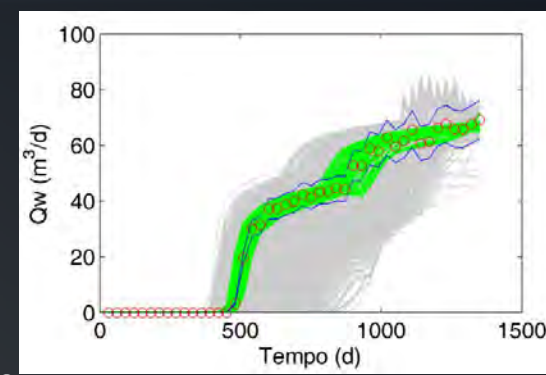
UNISIM-II (pre-salt carbonate reservoir)

UNISIM-III (pre-salt giant oil field)

<https://www.unisim.cepetro.unicamp.br/benchmarks/en/>

- Models for short-term behavior

Red steps challenges



- History matching → data assimilation to reduce uncertainties
- Reduction of uncertainties in petrophysical properties
 - ESMDA efficient HM method (EHM from Petrobras)
 - Collapse of models – excessive uncertainty reduction
 - Methods that integrate with geostatistical: good results – more complex to implement
- Integration with 4D seismic: quantitative solutions (SenRML)
- Model calibration to forecast short-term production (productivity deviation as new objective function)
- Fast procedures to apply in digital fields (→ short-term → real time)
- Data assimilation applied to production facilities

Blue Steps - Challenges

- Optimization techniques
- FOFE (emulators, proxies, ...) and LFM
- Economic analysis / fiscal regimes
- Development plan (production strategies – G1 - design variables)
- Field management
 - Control variables (G2)
 - Revitalization variables (G3)
- Intelligent fields
- MIP (integration reservoir – facilities)
 - Multiple reservoirs - common production facilities
 - Flow assurance / subsea separation
- Improved recovery methods
 - Complex treatment of G2 for WAG-CO₂ with ICV options
- Preparation to digital transformation