

**Integrated Approaches to Modeling Late Paleozoic
Petroleum Reservoirs
in the Greater Midcontinent, U.S.**

**1:00-3:00 pm -- 3. Sequence stratigraphy and
reservoir architecture of late Paleozoic
strata in the Midcontinent.**

Short Course

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Take Home Points of Short Course

- Basement structures and distal tectonic events affecting them are important in defining location and properties of reservoirs.
- Process-based field, outcrop, and Recent analogs provide more appropriate, accurate interpolation of reservoir properties.
- Late Paleozoic reservoirs are dominated by depositional fabric selective diagenesis.
- Establishing petrofacies and pore types is essential to accurate calculations of water saturations, volumetrics, ROIP, establishing permeability correlations and predicting fluid flow.
- Infill locations and new pays within oil and gas fields remain significant targets for IOR in mature regions; requires comprehensive, integrated approach.
- Re-exploration and exploitation of mature producing areas can be substantially benefited by access to and mining of large data sets – digital and electronic data – logs, production, core/samples and descriptions, *in an integrated and quantitative manner.*

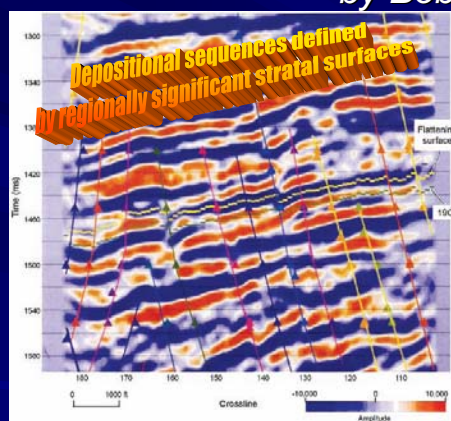
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Overview:

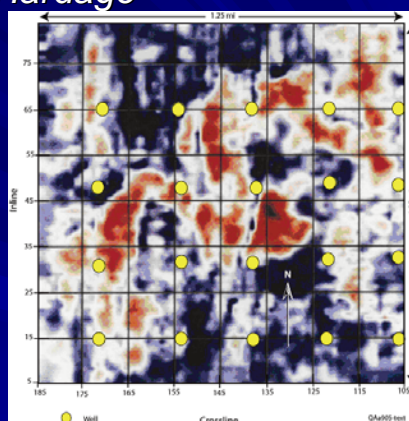
- Depositional sequences and lithofacies distribution defined by interaction of complex geological processes
 - *Eustacy, subsidence/compaction, sediment supply and accumulation, erosion, antecedent topography, climate*
- Ooid shoals and grainstones – lithofacies and diagenetic variants that dominate late Paleozoic reservoirs in the greater Midcontinent
- Siliciclastics (deltas and incised valleys)
- Phylloid algal mounds/reefs

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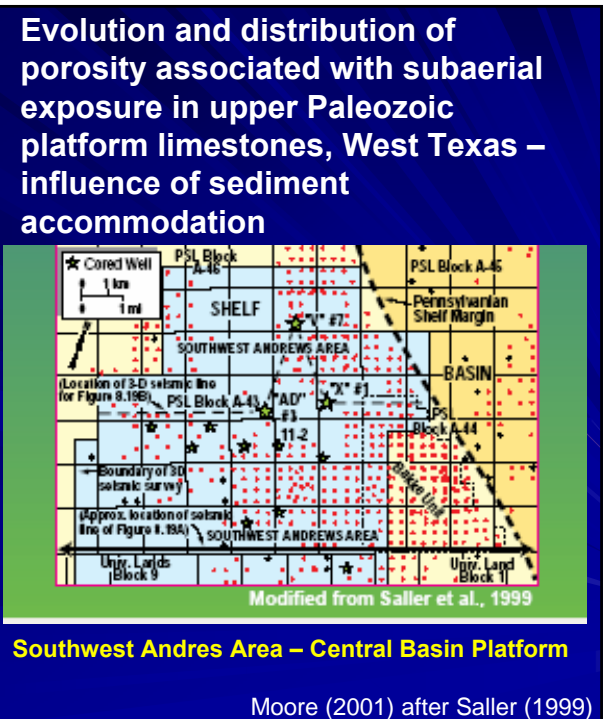
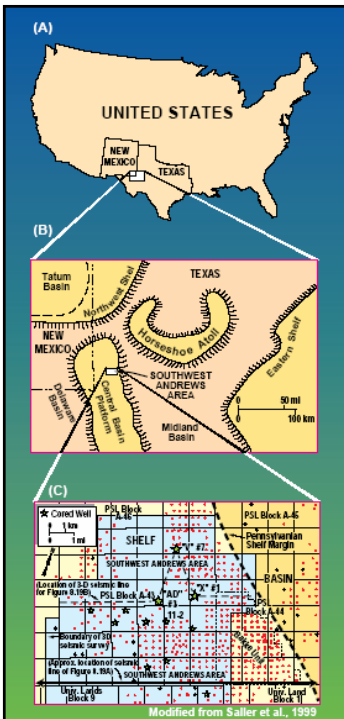
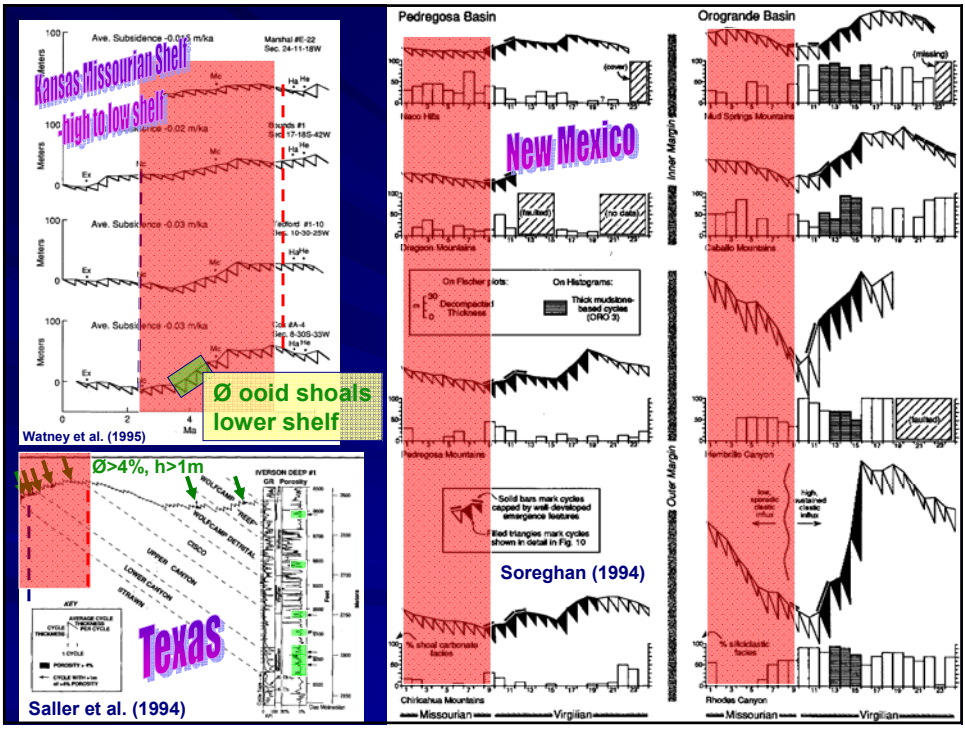
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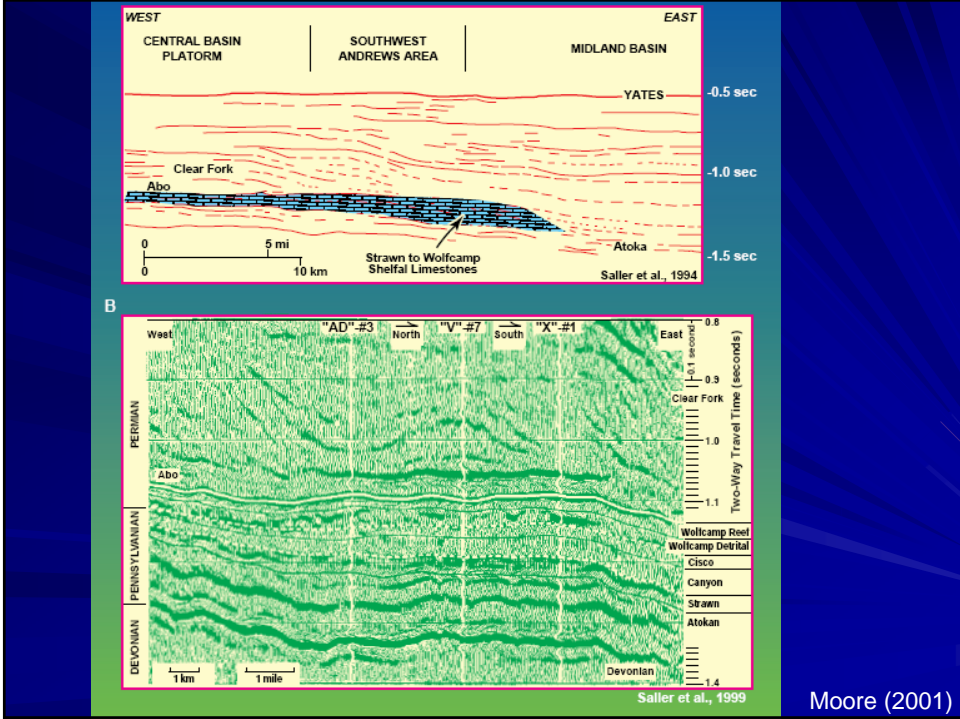
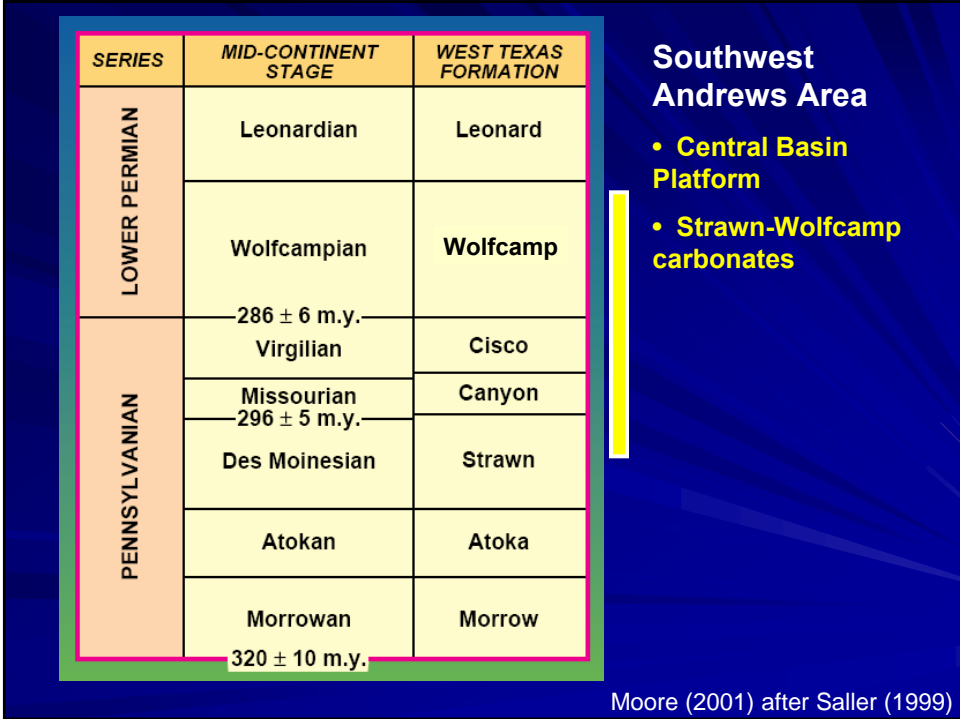


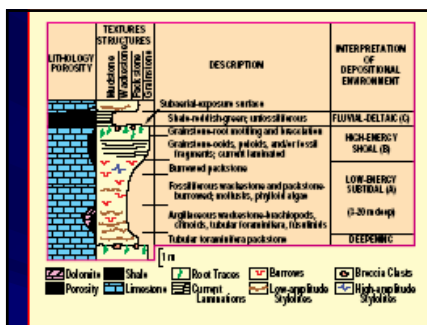
- Vertical section through 3-D seismic volume showing VSP-defined position of stratal surface used for time slicing across 19c reservoir.
- Analysis requires good stratigraphic control...



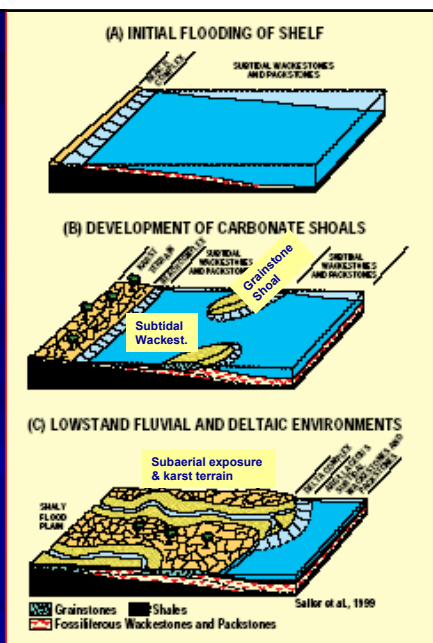
- Reflection amplitude across stratal surface corresponding to the VSP-defined position of the 19C unit
- 40-acre well pattern with no existing well making optimum contact with the 19C reservoir channel



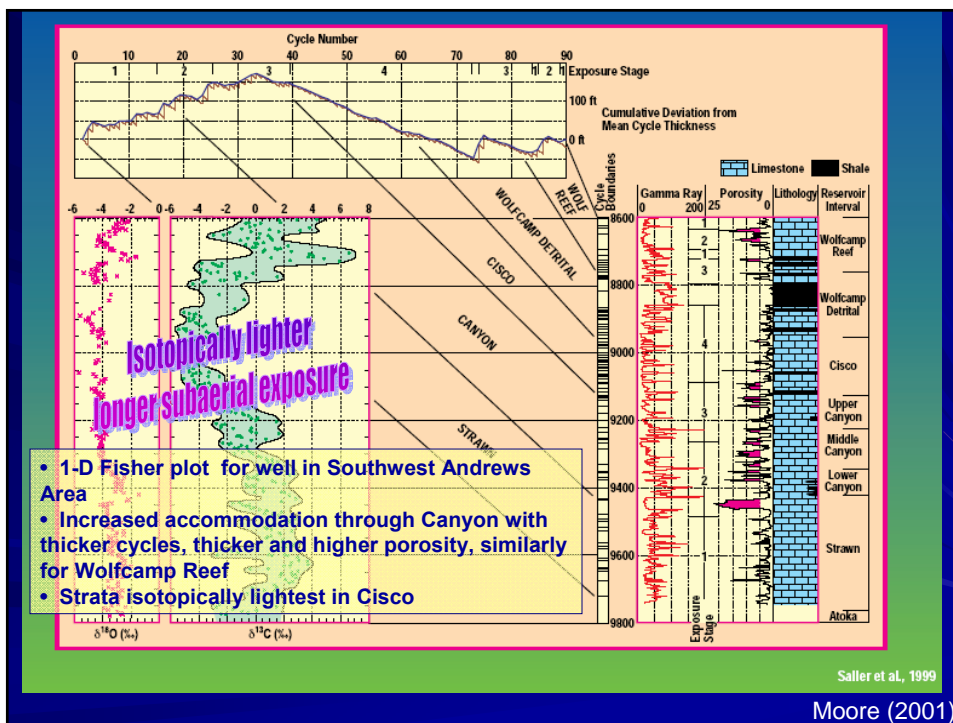




- Porosity is stratified, occurring in 1 to 6-m-thick intervals in the upper part of cycles that were subaerially exposed.
- Many cycles that were subaerially exposed now lack porosity.
- Present subsurface porosity in this field preferentially occurs in thick grainstones, phylloid algal boundstones, and a few wackestone/packstones in cycles subjected to brief subaerial exposure.
- Matrix porosity (molds, intercrystalline pores) is dominant.

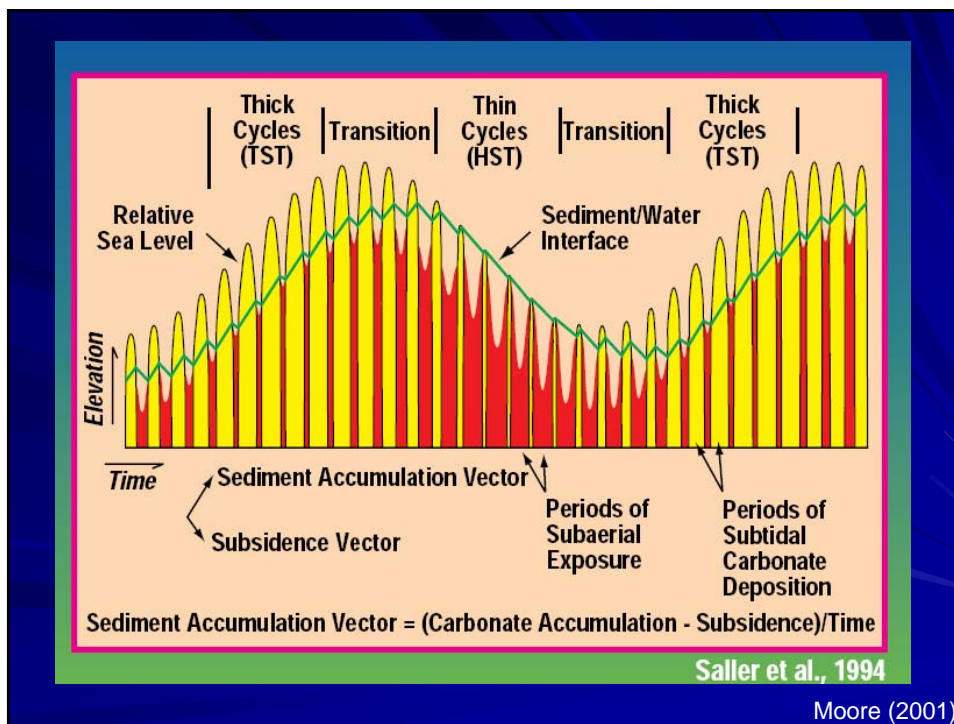


Moore (2001) after Saller (1999)



- 1-D Fisher plot for well in Southwest Andrews Area
- Increased accommodation through Canyon with thicker cycles, thicker and higher porosity, similarly for Wolfcamp Reef
- Strata isotopically lightest in Cisco

Saller et al., 1999
Moore (2001)



Optimum length of subaerial exposure and thickness of grainstone & phylloid algal carbonate lithofacies improves conditions for potential pay

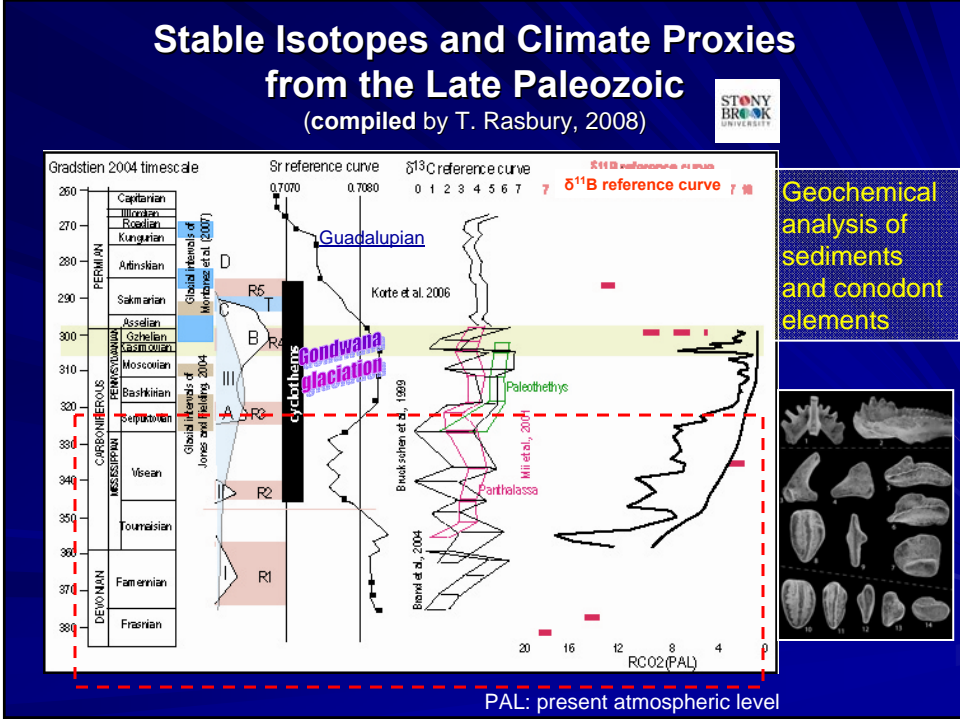
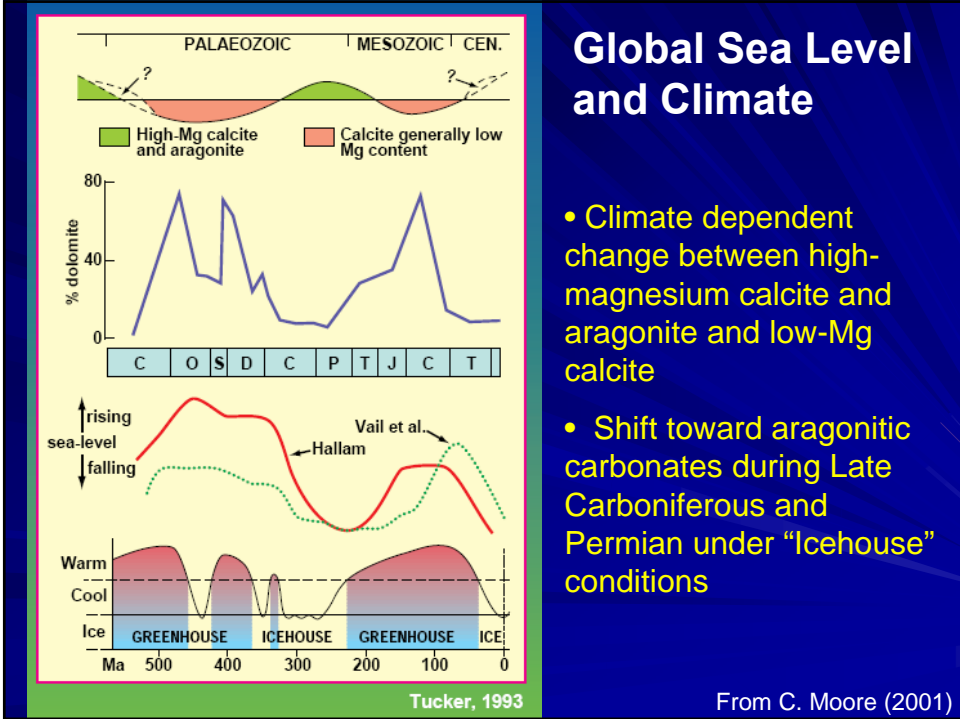
Table 1.1

Number of Cycles	Average Cycle Thickness (m)	Average Limestone Porosity (%)	Average Limestone Permeability (md)	Average $\delta^{13}C$ (‰, PDB)	Average $\delta^{18}O$ (‰, PDB)	Limestone >4% Porosity/Total (ft)	Ave. Porosity Limestones >4% Porosity (%)	Ave. Permeability Limestones >4% Porosity (md)
Exposure Stage 1								
22	7.93	1.63	1.33	1.05	-2.88	42/557	5.52	8.68
SD*	(5.18)	(1.37)	(17.7)	(1.77)	(0.54)	7.5%**	(1.7)	(46.6)
Exposure Stage 2								
74	5.49	4.27	10.77	0.10	-3.57	458/1313	9.54	19.4
SD*	(3.35)	(4.72)	(137.1)	(1.45)	(0.62)	35%**	(4.45)	(184.4)
Exposure Stage 3								
53	3.35	3.13	1.89	-2.46	-4.26	112/455	8.03	4.31
SD*	(1.65)	(3.26)	(6.41)	(1.46)	(0.50)	25%**	(3.07)	(8.63)
Exposure Stage 4								
92	2.38	2.24	0.18	-4.29	-4.54	61/512	6.04	0.49
SD*	(1.13)	(1.84)	(0.39)	(0.81)	(0.36)	12%**	(2.0)	(0.78)

*SD = Standard deviations for average values.
 **Percentage of gross reservoir section with porosity >4%

Saller et al., 1999

Moore (2001)



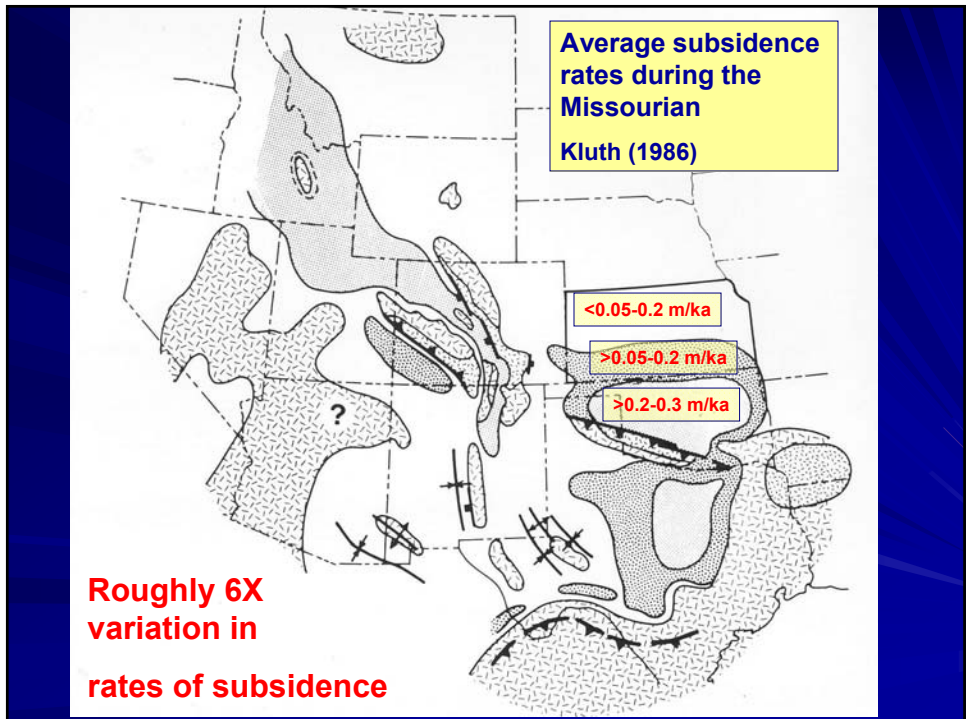
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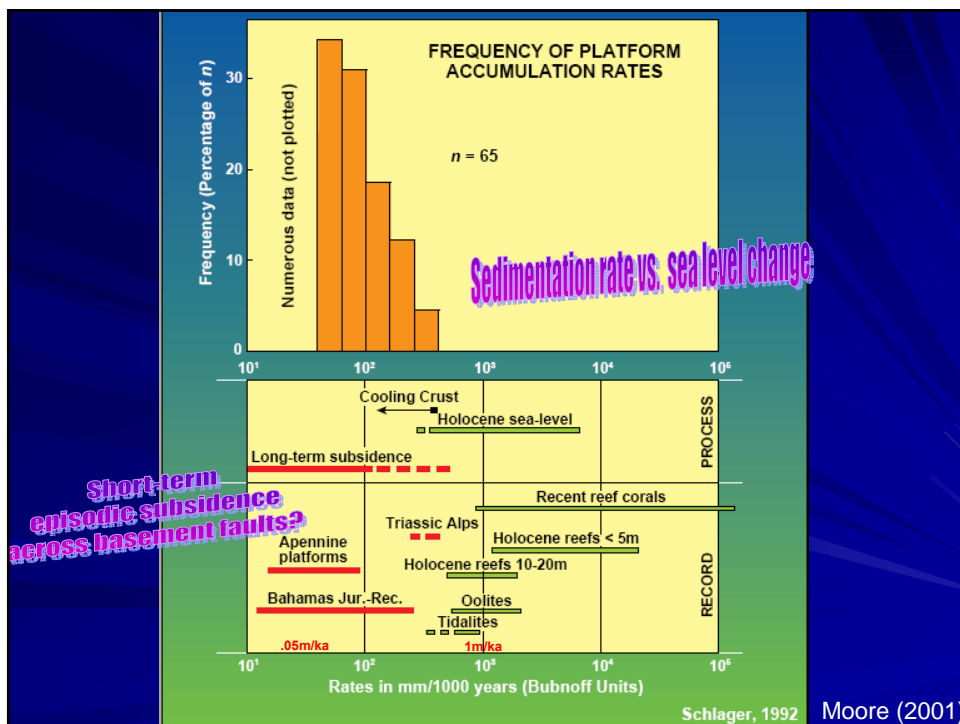
N. AMERICAN MIDCONTINENT cyclothem [MAJOR (core shale), Intermediate, Minor]	MOSCOW BASIN, Afanasievo Quarry; cores [MAJOR CYCLE: Lesser cycle]	DONETS BASIN, esp. Kalinovo [MAJOR CYCLE: Lesser cycle]
LECOMPTON (Queen Hill) / NECESSITY (Tx): <i>I. teretus</i> , <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> , <i>S. ruzhnicovi</i> , <i>S. vitali</i> Spring Branch or Clay Creek: <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> , <i>I. teretus</i> , <i>I. lobulatus</i>	AMERIEVO: <i>S. ruzhnicovi</i> , <i>S. vitali</i> ; <i>I. simulator</i> fus. abundant; <i>Rausentiles stuckenbergi</i> [not identified]	O7 [?]: <i>I. teretus</i> , <i>I. cf. simulator</i> fus. <i>Rausentiles rossicus</i> O6/1 [?]: <i>S. firmus</i> , <i>I. toretzianus</i>
OREAD (Heebner) / FINIS (Texas): <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> first; <i>I. simulator</i> , <i>I. teretus</i> (types in K&J); <i>S. firmus</i> amm. <i>Vidroceras uddeni</i> ; first global <i>Shumardites</i> (Tx)	UPPER RUSAVKINO: <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> first; <i>I. simulator</i> (s.s.); <i>I. teretus</i> , <i>S. firmus</i> fus. <i>colypa</i> P. <i>rossicus</i> [best base Gzhelian]	O6: <i>S. firmus</i> , <i>I. toretzianus</i> first; <i>I. simulator</i> (s.s.) fus. <i>Trilicites</i> sp.
CASS (Little Pawnee)/LR COLONY CK (Tx): <i>S. firmus</i> , <i>S. zethus</i> , <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> , <i>I. aff. simulator</i> (transit.) amm. <i>Vidroceras contini</i> , <i>Pseudakubites stairbrooki</i> Utah; <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> , <i>S. firmus</i>	MIDDLE RUSAVKINO: <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> , <i>S. zethus</i> , <i>S. firmus</i> , <i>I. aff. simulator</i> (transit.) fus. rare, poorly known	O5: type <i>S. firmus</i> dominant; <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> fus. primitive <i>Rausentiles rossicus</i> [not identified]
South Bend (Gretna): <i>S. pawhuskaensis</i> , <i>S. firmus</i> , <i>I. aff. simulator</i> (transitional?)	Basal Rusavkino: <i>S. firmus</i> ; <i>I. toretzianus</i>	O4/6: <i>S. firmus</i> dom.; <i>S. isakovae</i> , <i>I. toretzianus</i> , <i>I. bachmuticus</i>
STANTON (Eudora) / UPR WINCHELL (Tx): 'type' <i>I. aff. simulator</i> ; <i>S. firmus</i> in top; <i>S. gracilis</i> gp. in base amm. <i>Pseudakubites newelli</i> [Midcontinent]	TROSHKOVO: <i>I. aff. simulator</i> , <i>I. toretzianus</i> ; <i>Gondolella</i> fus. rare <i>Rausentiles quasiarcticus</i>	O4/5: [poorly known]
Plattsburg (Hickory Creek): <i>S. gracilis</i> group	Myasnikskaya: type <i>S. isakovae</i> ; flat forms	O4/4: [poorly known]
Wyandotte (Quindaro): <i>S. gracilis</i> group	Sadovaya: troughed and flat forms	O4/3: <i>S. firmus</i> , <i>S. isakovae</i> [type <i>S. kalitvensis</i> ; <i>S. cf. excelsus</i>]
IOLA (Muncie Creek) / LR WOLF MOUNTAIN (Texas): <i>S. gracilis</i> group [type <i>S. elegantulus</i> ; <i>S. excelsus</i> in Tx]	Presnya: <i>S. isakovae</i> , <i>I. toretzianus</i>	O4/1: first <i>S. firmus</i> ; <i>S. isakovae</i> [type <i>I. toretzianus</i> , <i>I. bachmuticus</i>]
DEWEY (Quivira) / MID-POSIDEON (Texas): <i>S. gracilis</i> group [type <i>S. elegantulus</i> ; <i>S. excelsus</i> in Tx]	MESTSHERINO: <i>Gondolella</i> , <i>S. isakovae</i> , type <i>I. mestsherensis</i>	O4: mostly troughed forms
Cherryvale (Wea): <i>S. gracilis</i> group	Perkhurovo: <i>S. neverovensis</i> ; flat forms	O3: flat plus troughed forms
Hogsholes: forms transitional to <i>S. gracilis</i> group	[not identified]	O2: mostly flat forms, but including <i>S. cf. confragus</i> fus. <i>Trilicites</i> ; advanced <i>Montiparus</i>
DENNIS (Bark): many forms, flat and troughed, incl. type <i>S. confragus</i> fus. <i>Trilicites</i> [not most primitive]	UPPER NEVEROVO: many forms, including <i>I. sagittalis</i> , <i>S. neverovensis</i> , <i>S. cf. cancellosus</i> fus. <i>Montiparus subcrassulus</i> [not identified]	O1/2: <i>S. cf. confragus</i>
Mound Valley: first <i>S. confragus</i>	[not identified]	O1: flat and troughed forms
SWOPE (Hushpuckney): many forms, including type <i>S. cancellosus</i> , <i>I. sulciferus</i> ; rare <i>I. sagittalis</i> fus. <i>Eowaeringella ultimata</i>	MID-NEVEROVO: flat + troughed forms, incl. <i>S. cf. cancellosus</i> , <i>I. cf. sulciferus</i> , <i>I. sagittalis</i> fus. typical-advanced <i>Montiparus</i>	N5/1: <i>Kiognathodus</i> , many nodose, <i>I. sagittalis</i> ; <i>I. cf. eccentricus</i> [no fus.]; N5: [poorly known]
HERTHA (Mound City): nodose <i>Kiognathodus</i> , including <i>I. eccentricus</i> , rare <i>I. sagittalis</i> [no fusulines]	Lower Neverovo: type <i>S. neverovensis</i> ; some flat forms	[not identified]
Edine: flat forms, incl. <i>I. sagittalis</i> ; [no fusulines]	Basal Neverovo: <i>S. neverovensis</i> ; flat forms, incl. <i>I. cf. eccentricus</i> [fus. prim. <i>Montiparus</i>]	N4: [poorly known]
Checkerboard-S: Mound; flat, incl. <i>I. sagittalis</i> [no fus.]	[not identified]	N3/3: <i>I. expansus</i> ; <i>Gondolella magna</i> Sw. <i>neoshensis</i> ; Sw. <i>nodocarinata</i> fus. typical protrititids
Glenpool (upper Lost Branch): last <i>Neognathodus</i> ; Sw. <i>nodocarinata</i> ; <i>I. n. sp.</i> of B. & R.	Flatmirovo: flat forms; several in base, including <i>I. cf. trigonolobatus</i> ; Sw. <i>makhlinae</i>	N3/2: several, incl. Sw. <i>neoshensis</i> [no fusulines known]
LOST BRANCH (Nuyaka Creek): <i>expansus</i> ; <i>G. magna</i> type <i>Swadelina nodocarinata</i> ; <i>I. n. sp.</i> of B. & R. <i>Beedina eximia</i>	VOSKRESENSK: <i>I. trigonolobatus</i> , <i>I. fischeri</i> ; type <i>Swadelina makhlinae</i> ; Sw. <i>nodocarinata</i> fus. typical protrititids	N3/1: forms incl. <i>S. subexcelsus</i> , <i>I. trigonolobatus</i> ; <i>Swadelina?</i> [no fusulines known]
Glenpool (lower Lost Branch): last <i>Neognathodus</i> ; Sw. <i>nodocarinata</i> ; <i>I. n. sp.</i> of Barrick & Flosscoe (transit.); <i>S. subexcelsus</i>	Upper Suvorovo (Sharsha): <i>S. subexcelsus</i> ; type <i>I. fischeri</i>	N2/1: [poorly known]
ALTAMONT (Lake Neosho): broad <i>I.</i> in upper part; type <i>Swadelina neoshensis</i> fus. <i>Beedina megista</i> , <i>B. acme</i> , etc.	MID-SUVOROVO (Garnasha): type <i>S. subexcelsus</i> ; <i>I. fischeri</i> fus. typical protrititids	
Farrington: first <i>Swadelina neoshensis</i>	Lower Suvorovo: first <i>S. subexcelsus</i> fus. incl. rare typical protrititids	
Coal City (Joe): flat forms including type <i>Kiognathodus delicatus</i> , <i>I. claviformis</i> fus. <i>Beedina</i> [primitive protrititid level in W. U.S.]	Upper Peski (Volodarsky): last <i>Neognathodus</i> ; flat forms, including <i>I. delicatus</i> fus. primitive protrititids, <i>Fusulina</i> , <i>Fusulinella</i>	
LOWER PAWNEE (Anna): all flat forms including <i>I. delicatus</i> ; type <i>I. fusiformis</i> fus. <i>Beedina</i> [primitive protrititid level in W. U.S.]	Middle Peski (Lower + Upper Titovo): flat forms, including <i>I. delicatus</i> fus. primitive protrititids; <i>Fusulina</i> , <i>Fusulinella</i>	N2: flat forms, incl. <i>I. cf. delicatus</i> fus. <i>Fusulina</i> , <i>Tatzehoella</i>

Correlation of disconformity-bounded cyclothem of various magnitudes (specified by type font) across Moscovian-Kasimovian and Kasimovian-Gzhelian stage (upper Desmoinesian through lower Virgilian) boundary intervals in North America and eastern Europe.

“Digital correlation”

Heckel et al. (2007)





Sequence stratigraphic models -

conceptual tools to define accommodation, depositional profile, and sediment supply in space-time framework (vital components in sedimentary modeling) also basis to infer sediment accumulation and erosion

Definitions:

- **Depositional sequence:** Stratigraphic unit composed of relatively conformable succession of genetically related strata bounded at top and base by unconformities or their correlative conformities (Mitchum et al., 1977)
 - **Temporally distinct depositional packages**
 - **Architectural framework** to understand controls on sedimentation
 - **Systematic, predictable facies assemblages** within a sequence
 - **Sequences within sequences** (composite sequences)
 - hierarchy of stratal patterns
- **Sequence boundary:** Bounding unconformities or correlative conformities

Definitions (Continued)

■ **Hiatus:**

- fall in relative sea level or base level or
- change in rates of base level rise or
- climate or tectonic processes in source area influencing erosion and clastic influx

■ **Parasequence: Basic building block of sequences**

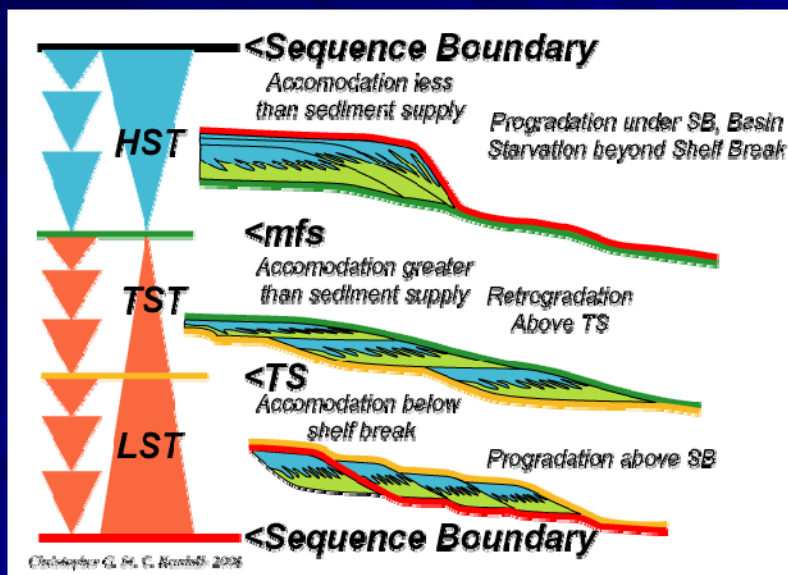
(Van Wagoner et al., 1988)

- Characterized by aggradation, progradation and retrogradation
- Affected by sediment supply and minor base level fluctuations

■ **Accommodation space:**

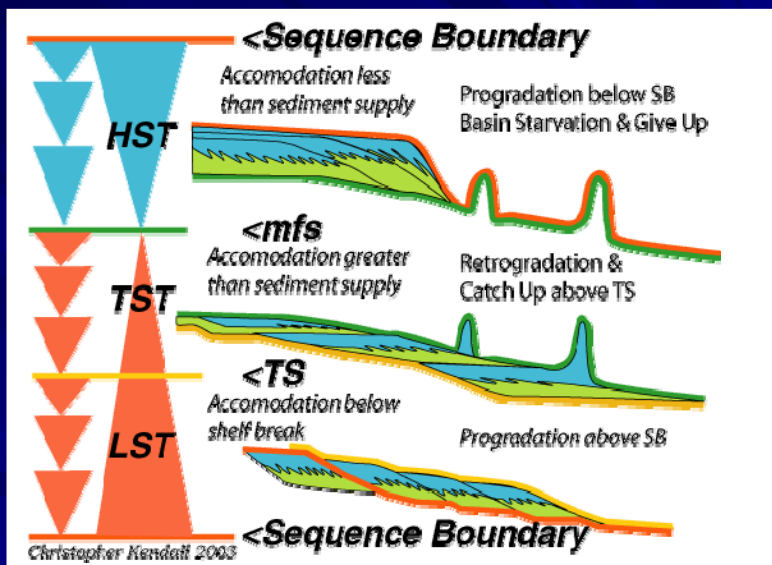
- Space available for potential sediment accumulation (Jervey, 1988); space available below base level (Shanley and McCabe, 1994)
- Provided by tectonic subsidence and eustacy

Depositional sequence for marine sediments



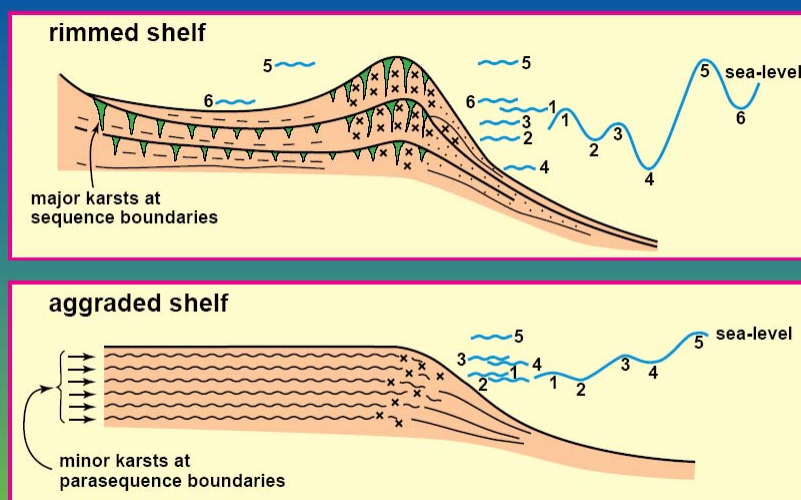
C.G.St.C. Kendal (2004)

Carbonate depositional sequences



C.G.St.C. Kendal (2003)

Varying amplitude and magnitude of sea level can vary shelf configuration



Tucker, 1993

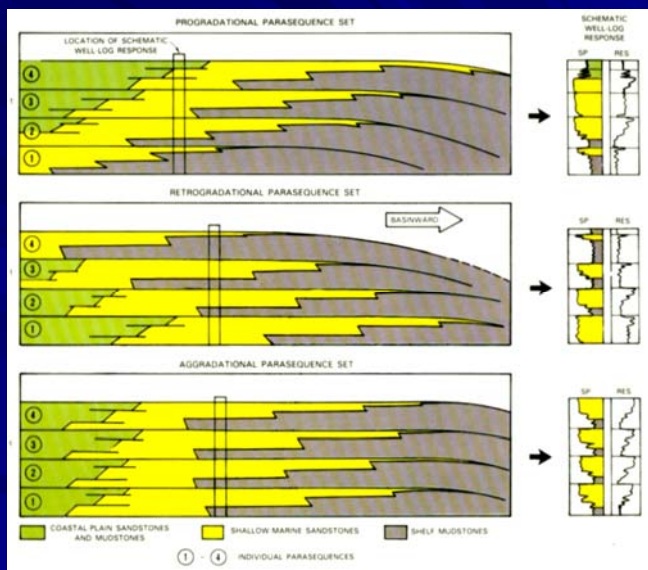
From Moore (2001)

Parasequence stacking pattern

Ratio rate of deposition
Rate of accommodation >1

Ratio rate of deposition
Rate of accommodation <1

Ratio rate of deposition
Rate of accommodation =1



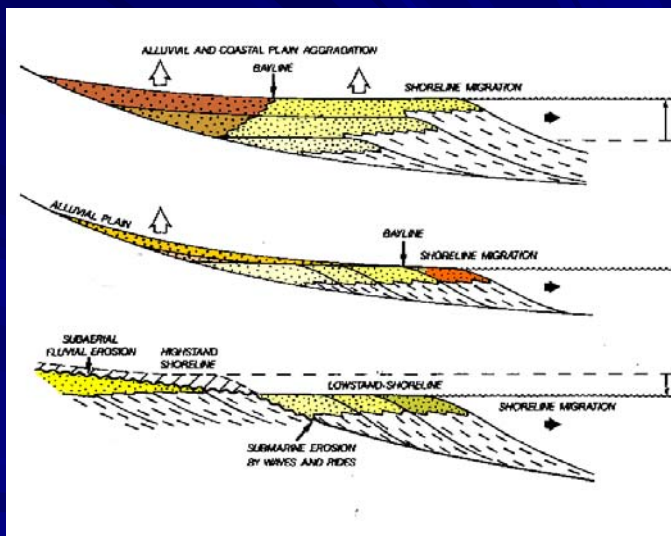
Van Wagoner et al. (1987)

Forced Regression - basinward shift in lithofacies

A. Normal regression with rising sea level

B. Normal regression with constant relative sea level

C. Forced regression: falling relative sea level



Posamentier (1992)

Transgressive systems tract (unit a)

Highstand systems tract (unit b)

escarpments

Incised valley along major trunk valley

Minor incised valleys

Lowstand deltas (3)

Sedimentation processes encompassed by sequence stratigraphy cover wide range of temporal and spatial scales!

Posamentier (1992)

Sequence Sets

Highstand Sequence Set

Transgressive Sequence Set

Lowstand Sequence Set

- Sequence Boundary
- Maximum Flooding Surface
- Fluvial/Deltaic Sediments
- Slope and Basin Floor Fans
- Shale
- Possible Source Rocks
- Carbonates

Idealized succession of lowstand, transgressive, and highstand sequence sets, each made up of sequences with embedded third-order lowstand, transgressive, and highstand systems tracts. Modified from Bartek *et al.* (1991).

From Snedden *et al.* (2003)

Creaming Curve and Sequence Stratigraphy

CUMULATIVE DISCOVERED HYDROCARBON VOLUME (Y-axis)

TIME OR NUMBER OF WELLS DRILLED (X-axis)

Key Risks

Structure

Seal

Reservoir, Source (Type III)

HIGHSTAND

TRANSGRESSIVE

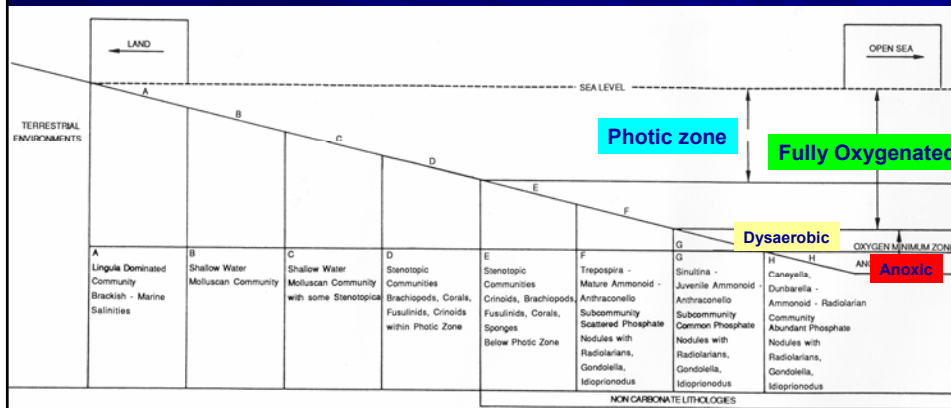
LOWSTAND

Idealized creaming curve from a sequence stratigraphic perspective. The components of the creaming curve refer to systems tract or sequence set, depending upon the size and scale of the play being considered.

Sneeden et al. (2003)

Process sequence stratigraphy

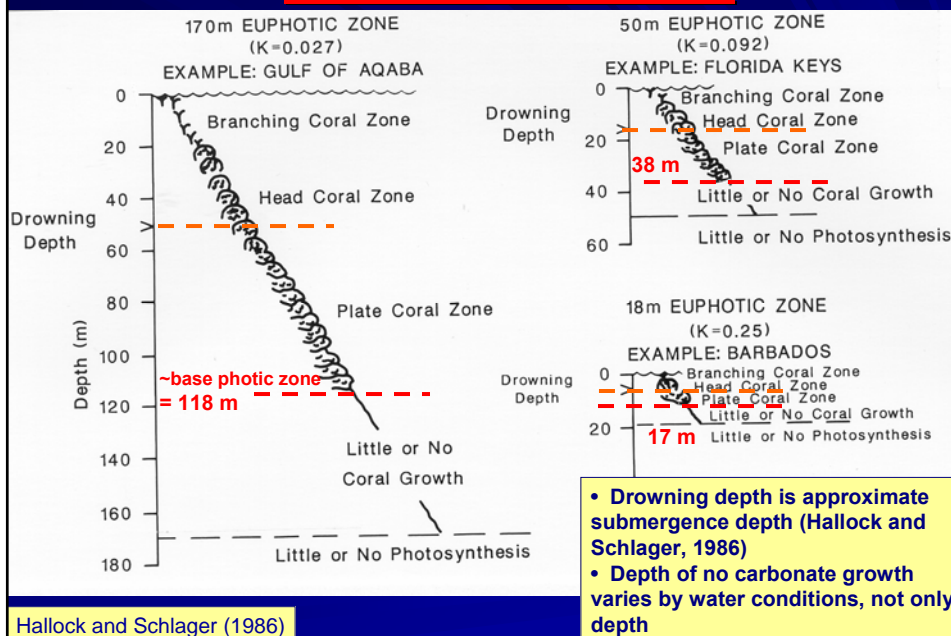
Paleoecologic Model for Late Paleozoic Sedimentation



Variables: water depth, stagnation, nutrients, sediment supply, water salinity, climate

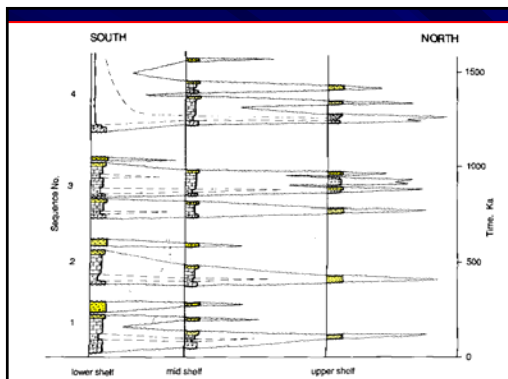
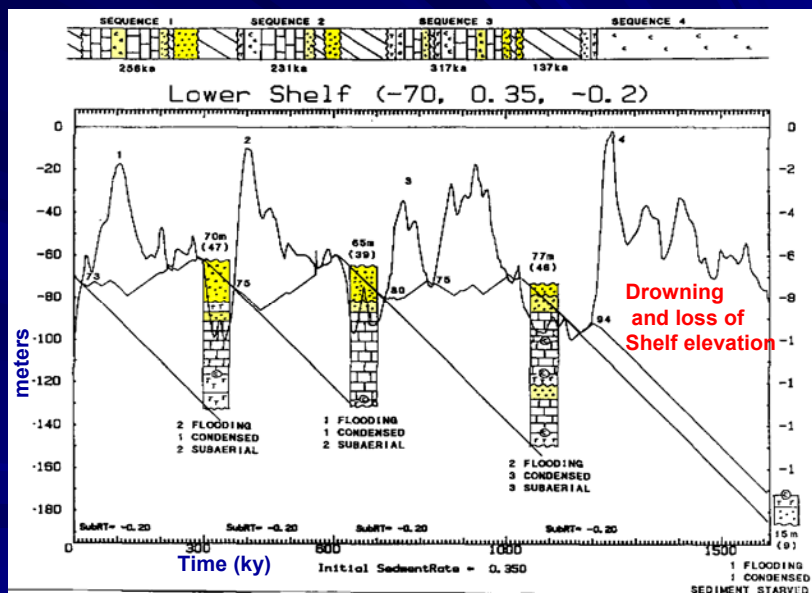
Boardman et al. (1984)

Influence of water clarity on Zooxanthellae corals and impact on effective depth of photic zone



Hallock and Schlager (1986)

1-D model (continued) – Lower Shelf

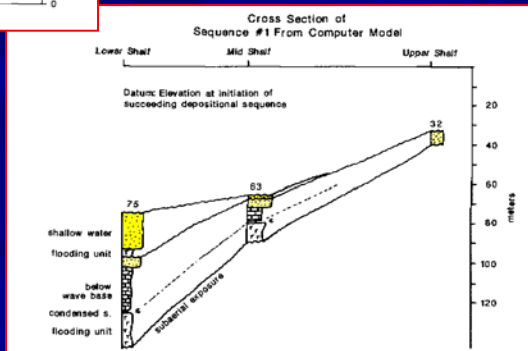


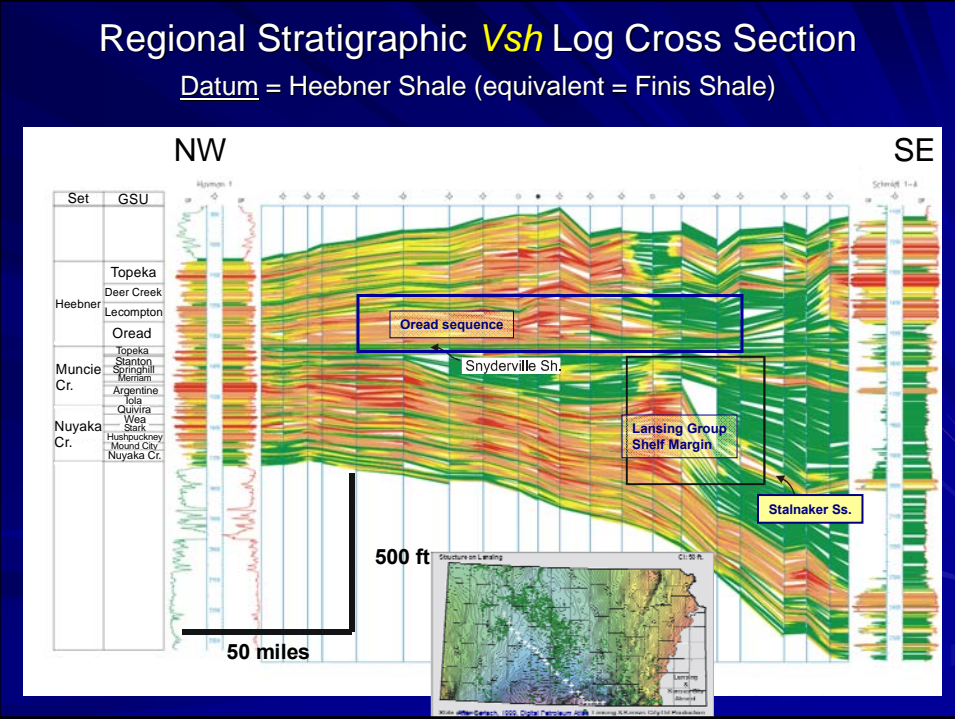
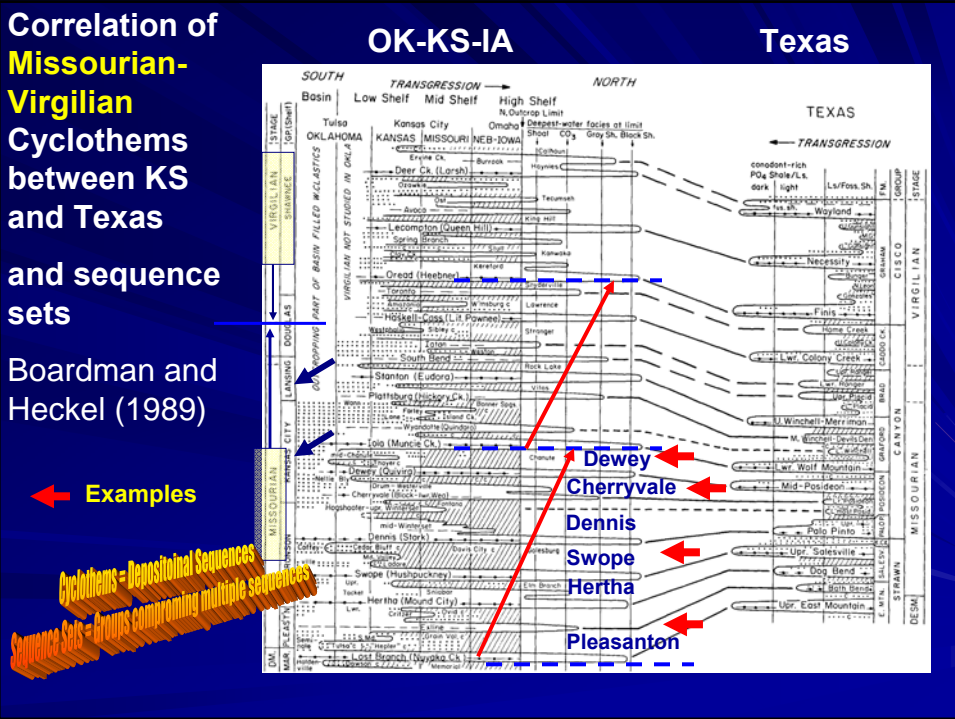
Wheeler Diagram bringing together sedimentation in time and space for three shelf positions

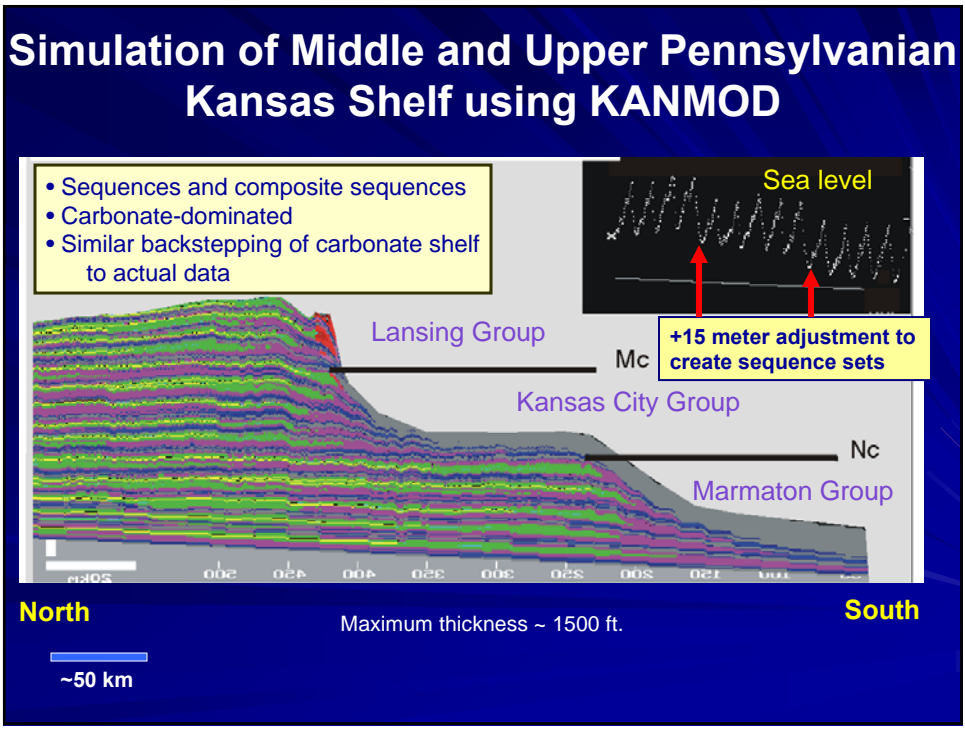
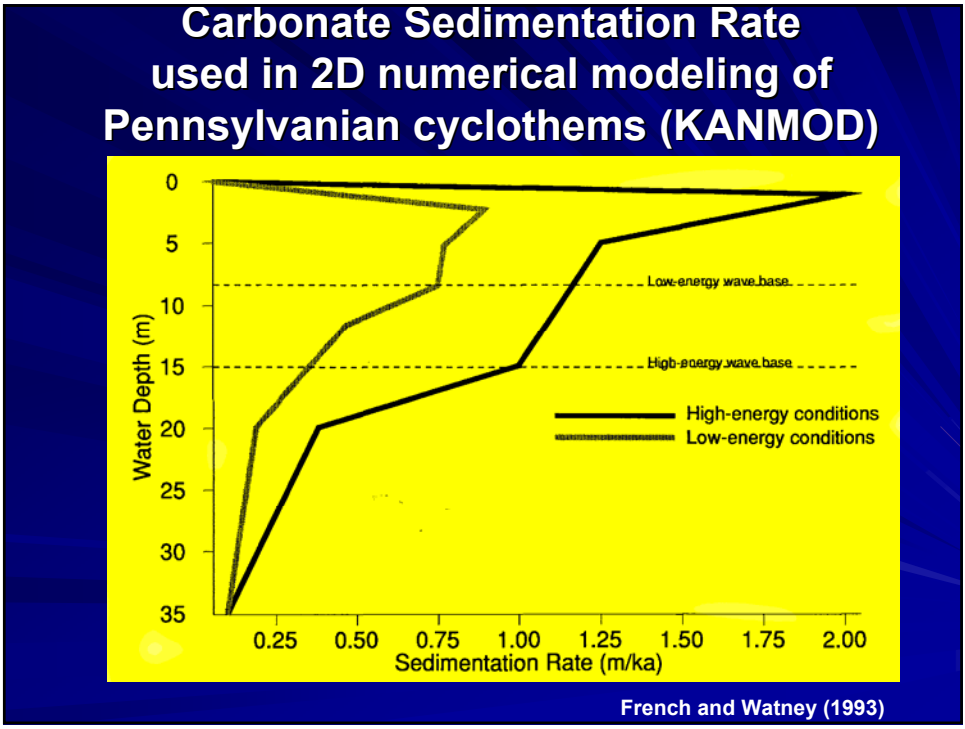
"We can not measure time with a ruler."

Single depositional sequence as composite of three shelf positions

- what we observe
- what we can interpret
- limits of inferring processes?







Three-Dimensional Seismic Imaging and Reservoir Modeling of an Upper Paleozoic “Reefal” Buildup, Reinecke Field, West Texas, United States

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Abstract

- Reinecke field is an upper Pennsylvanian to lowest Permian carbonate buildup
- Southern part of the Horseshoe Atoll, west Texas, United States.
- The field and surrounding areas have been imaged with three 3-D seismic surveys and penetrated by many wells. Although Reinecke is commonly referred to as a reefal reservoir, **deposition occurred in stratified sequences, 50-100 ft (15-30 m) thick, dominated by wackestones, packstones, and grainstones. Boundstones (mainly rich in phylloid algae) constitute only 16% of the buildup.**
- Seismic reflectors within the buildup parallel sequence boundaries and are truncated at the margins of the buildup.
- **Three-dimensional seismic surveys show that the top of the Reinecke buildup is highly irregular with more than 470 ft (143 m) of relief.**
- Deep-marine shales overlie the reservoir and act as a seal for this stratigraphic trap.
- **Reinecke's irregular, mounded morphology is the result of localized carbonate growth and erosional truncation.**

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- Much of the erosional truncation probably occurred in a deep-marine environment.
- Reinecke's south dome acts a single continuous reservoir dominated by limestone (70%) with 25% dolomite.
- Limestone porosity is generally 5-18% (average of 11.2%) and permeability is 1-1000 md (average of 166 md).
- Dolomite porosity is lower (average of 8.3%), but permeability is higher (average of 894 md).
- Discontinuous low-permeability layers parallel to stratification serve as low-permeability baffles; however, patchy replacive dolomites cut through stratification and act as high-permeability vertical conduits.
- Good reservoir continuity, low-permeability baffles, and artificially enhanced bottom-water drive helped to recover more than 50% of the original oil in place.
- Excellent vertical reservoir continuity has allowed implementation of a crestal CO₂ flood at Reinecke field. CO₂ is being injected into the top of the structure, displacing residual and bypassed mobile oil downward for recovery in lower parts of the reservoir.

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- Reinecke and other fields on the south and west sides of the Horseshoe Atoll have vertical permeability pathways that allow the top of the reservoir to be in pressure communication with the underlying aquifer (i.e., they produce like reefal reservoirs) (Crawford et al., 1984; Saller et al., 1999).
- **"The area has no significant tectonic deformation."**
- Stratigraphic tops from wells were merged with seismic surfaces in EarthVision to create stratigraphic surfaces used in the geocellular model. Porosity and permeability were extrapolated between wells by ordinary kriging and then gridded in EarthVision.
- A model with 35 layers was built. A RESCUE export format was used as an interface between the EarthVision geocellular model and the Eclipse flow simulator.

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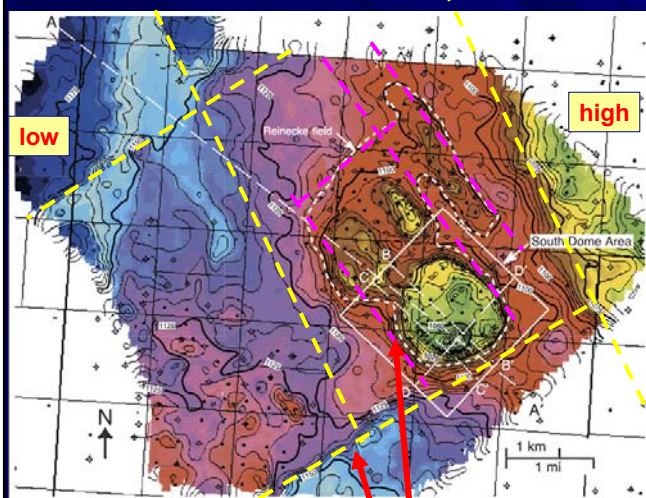
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Diagrammatic cross section

Shelf margin - eastern shelf may be defined by deep-seated faults (Ft. Chadbourne Fault Zone)

- Horseshoe Atoll – keep-up sedimentation prior to drowning

Isotime map – Reinecke Field

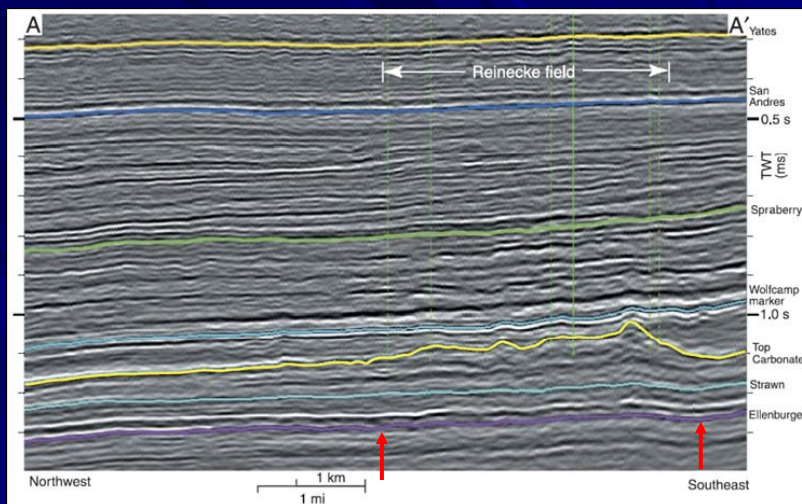


- Seismic time of the upper Pennsylvanian-lowest Permian carbonate
- “The area has seen little tectonic deformation since the Pennsylvanian; hence, this structure represents the shape of the carbonate buildups after deposition and erosion.”
- Contour interval is 5-ms two-way traveltime (TWT).

Possible basement lineaments that may control general location of Horseshoe

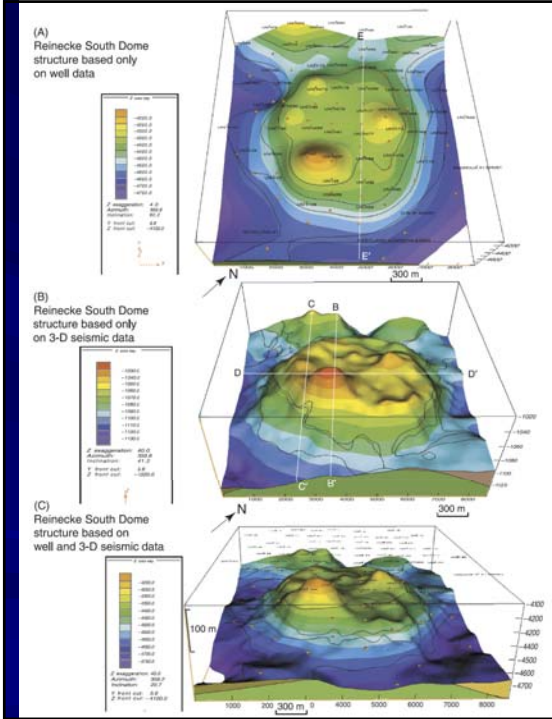
Lineaments added

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Saller - "Arbitrary 3-D seismic line. Note the lack of structural deformation. Selected formation tops are shown. Carbonates started accumulating over a relatively flat surface. Basinal shales and carbonates of Wolfcampian age overlie the irregular upper surface of the reservoir carbonate."

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Structure of the top of carbonate, south dome of Reinecke field.

All views are from the southeast. Vertical exaggeration is 4X.

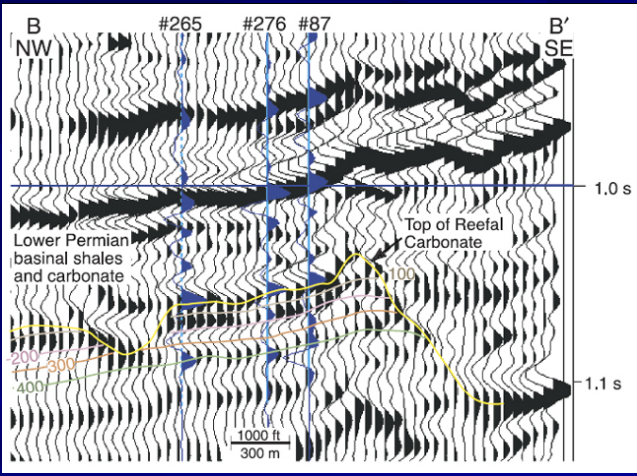
(A) Map (in ft subsea) based solely on well data.

(B) Seismic two-way travel time map (in ms).

(C) Map (in ft subsea) based on well and 3-D seismic data.

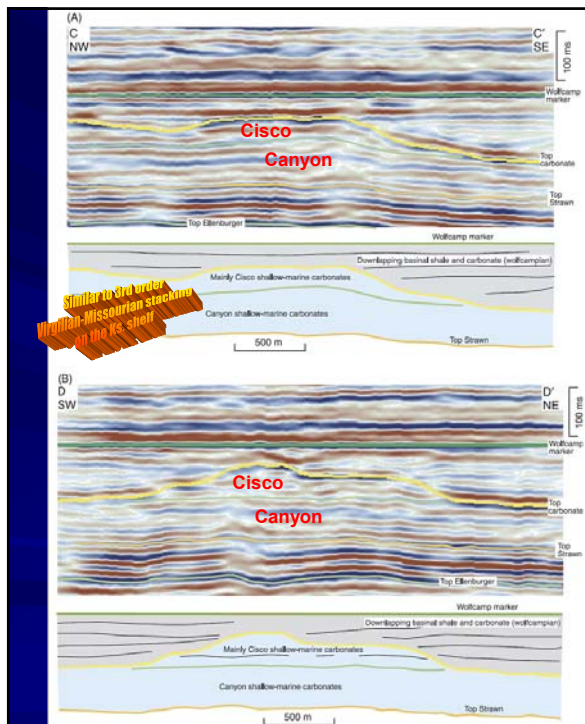
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Wiggle display of an arbitrary line from the 3-D seismic survey showing sequences defined by cores



- Synthetic seismograms for wells have been inserted.
- Note the truncation of reflectors (sequences) at the margins of the buildup.

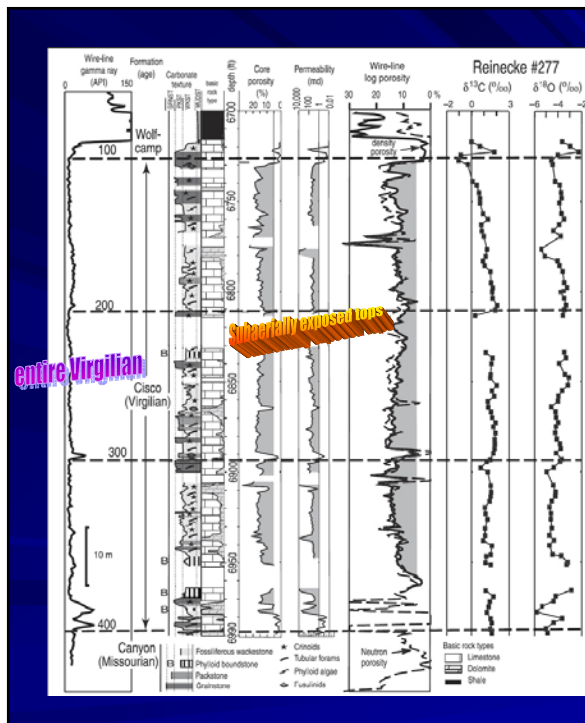
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(A) Seismic line 237 (CC') and
 (B) trace 243 (DD') flattened on a Wolfcamp reflector in the basinal sediments overlying the Reinecke reef carbonates.

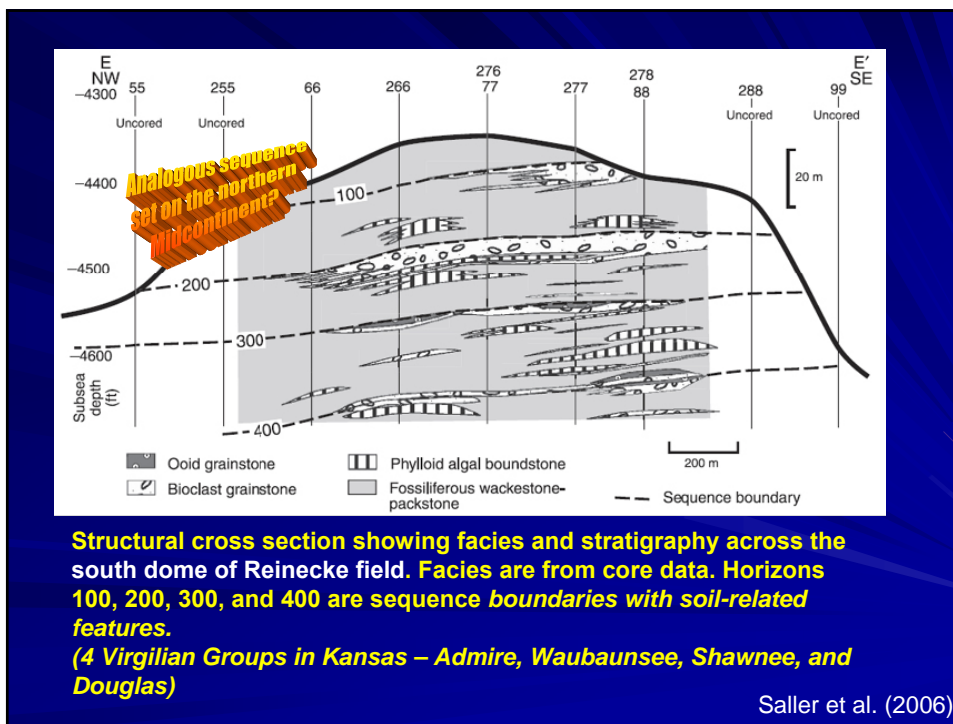
Reflectors apparently onlapping the Reinecke buildup are actually basinal strata down- or baselapping the Reinecke carbonate buildup from the east (right) with the contemporaneous shelf margin 50-100 km farther to the east (right).

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- Core and wire-line logs for a "typical" south dome well, #277.
- Horizons 100, 200, 300, and 400 have paleosol-related features below them and are interpreted as sequence boundaries.
- Thin shales are immediately above sequence boundaries 300 and 400.
- Stable isotope data are from whole rock samples.

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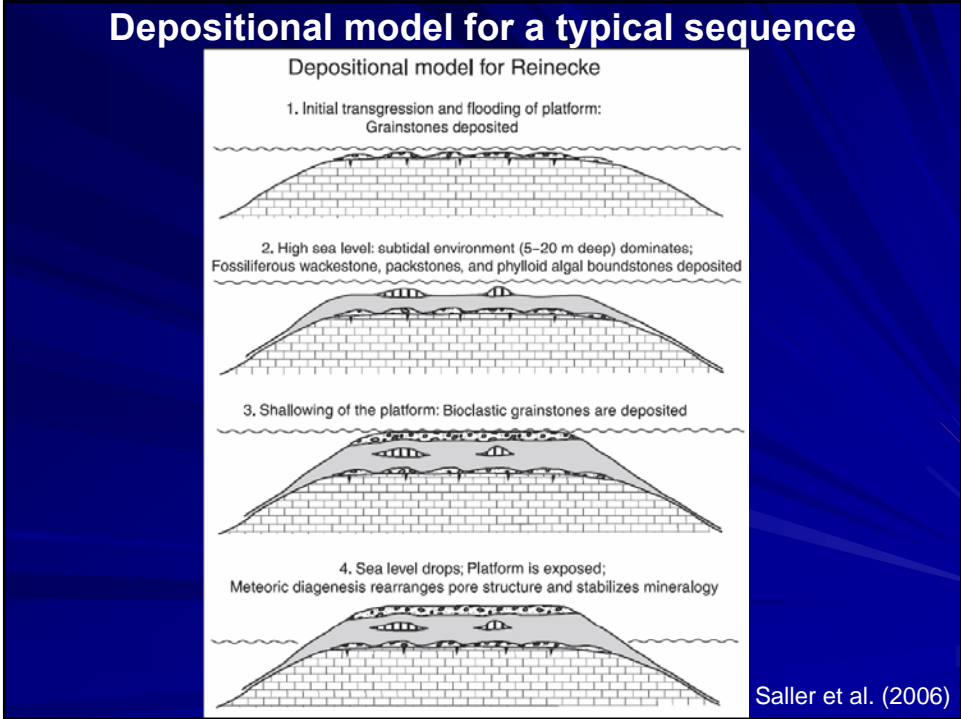
Facies	Average porosity (%)	Average horizontal permeability (md)	Average vertical permeability (md)	Percentage of limestone facies
1. Ooid grainstone	9.3	20.4		4
2. Bioclastic (crinoidal) grainstone	12.3	157.7	6.9	22
3. Packstone	11.8	199.6	6.0	9
4. Phylloid boundstone	12.0	690.3	82.6	13
5. Bryozoan boundstone	11.2	57.7		3
6. Phylloid wackestone-packstone	11.2	196.4	11.1	24
7. Bryozoan wackestone	12.9	20.0		2
8. Fossiliferous wackestone-packstone	10.5	29.5	12.1	22
9. Mudstone	1.4	0.79	0.01	1
Total limestone— average	11.2	165.8	11.0	100

Eight hundred and sixty-five feet of limestone were cored and analyzed.

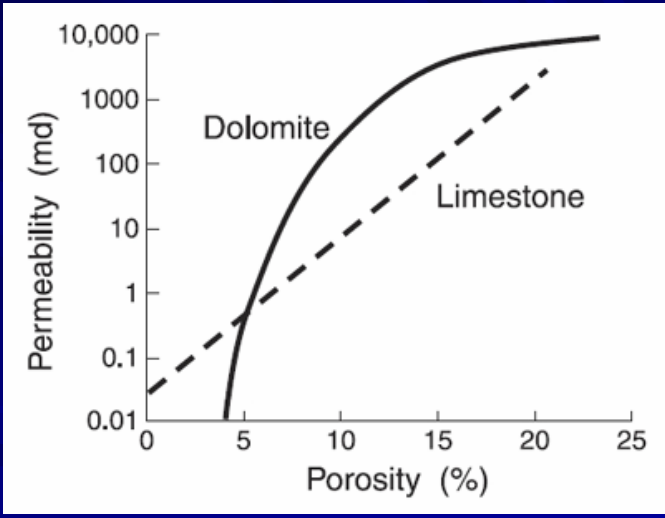
Although the south dome of Reinecke field has a mounded or “reefal” morphology, it is composed of fairly stratiform sequences that apparently formed in response to variations in relative and probably eustatic sea level. Sequence boundaries are identified by soil- and exposure-related features (fractures, root traces, caliches, and brecciation) observed in core.

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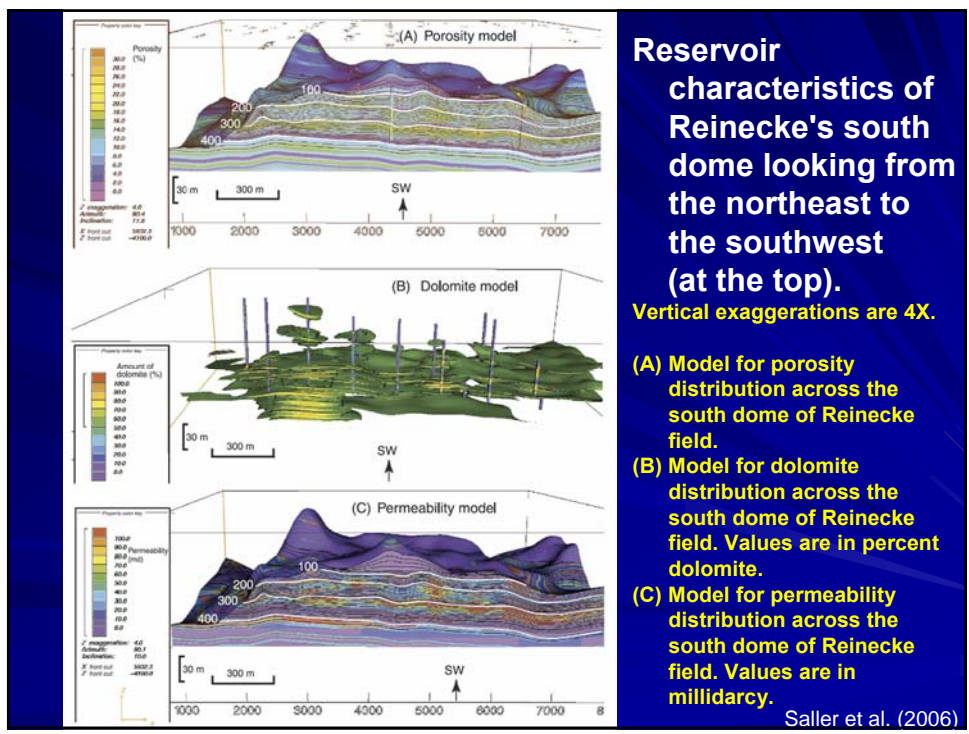
Depositional model for a typical sequence



Curvilinear and linear regressions of porosity vs. permeability for limestones and dolomites in Reinecke field



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Reineche dolomitized depositional facies—

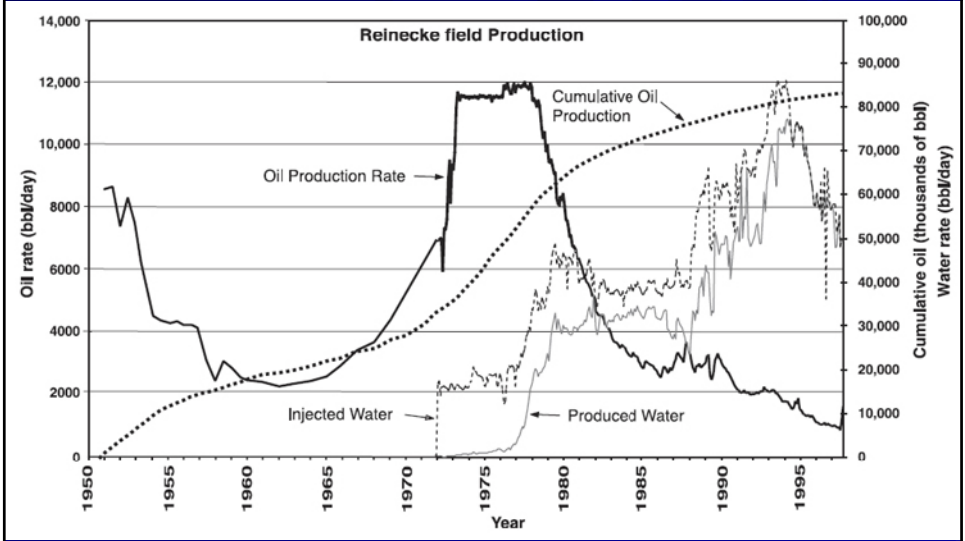
Facies	Average porosity (%)	Average horizontal permeability (md)	Average vertical permeability (md)	Percentage of dolomite facies
1. Ooid grainstone				0
2. Bioclastic (crinoidal) grainstone	8.0	360.7	322	4.5
3. Packstone	11.8	1780.8	30.9	4.9
4. Phylloid boundstone	12.0	140.8		0.8
5. Bryozoan boundstone				0
6. Phylloid wackestone-packstone	7.9	848.4	85.0	42.3 ★
7. Bryozoan wackestone	4.9	3.8		3.7
8. Fossiliferous wackestone-packstone	7.7	846.7	1.9	41.8 ★
9. Mudstone	2.0	1.5	<0.01	2.0
Total dolomite— average	8.28	894	334	100
Total— all (limestone, dolomite, mixtures of both)	10.5	323	131	

Three hundred and twenty feet of dolomite were cored and analyzed. The original depositional facies of some dolomites could not be determined. One thousand and two hundred and forty feet of limestone, dolomite, and mixed limestone-dolomite were cored.

Preferred lithofacies for dolomitization

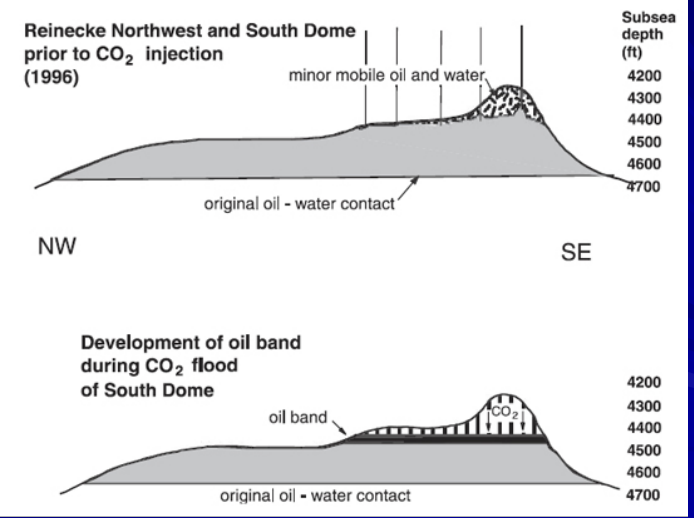
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Production history of Reinecke field



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Schematic diagrams of the crestal CO₂ flood



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Conclusions

- The final geometry of Reinecke's reservoir was the product of localized carbonate growth, karstification, and deep-marine erosion after the buildup was drowned.
- Deep marine erosion was apparently responsible for much of the very irregular top of the Reinecke carbonate.
- Although reefal in its morphology, the Reinecke reservoir is composed of stratiform sequences with only minor boundstone.

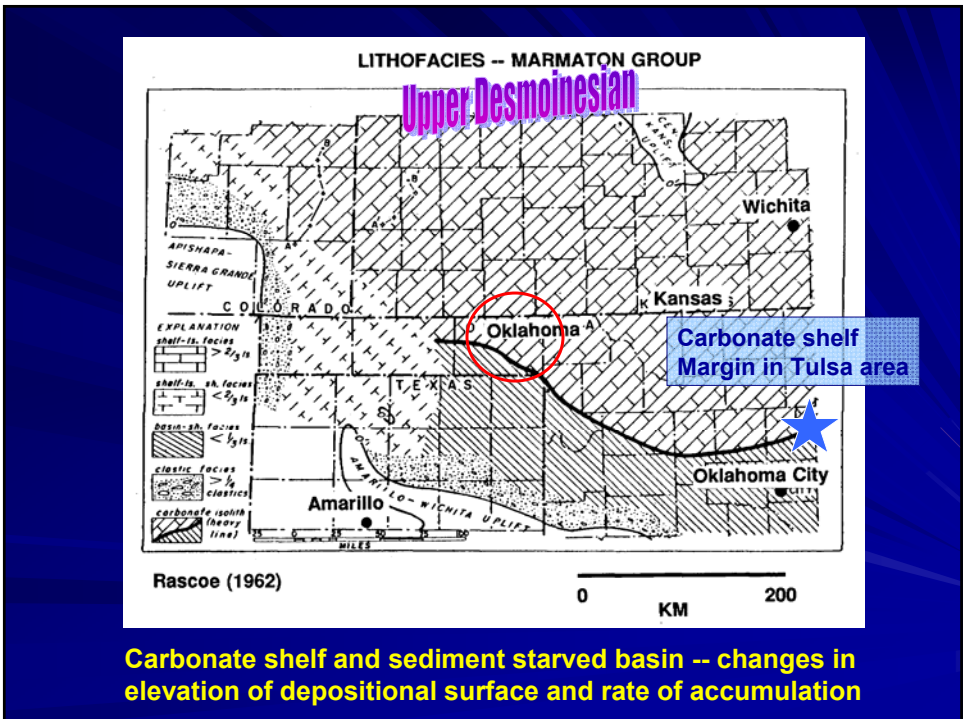
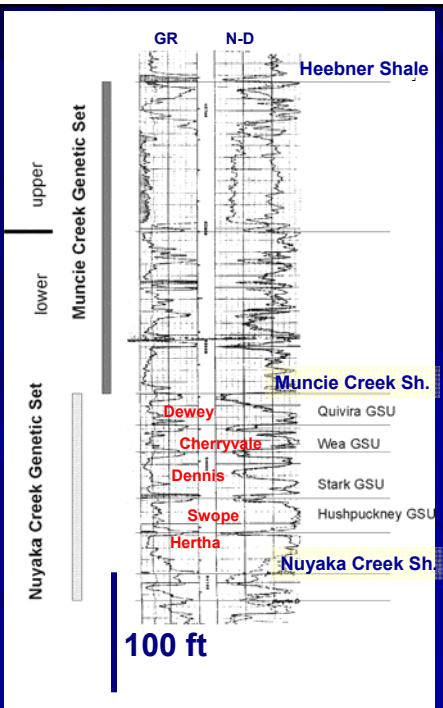
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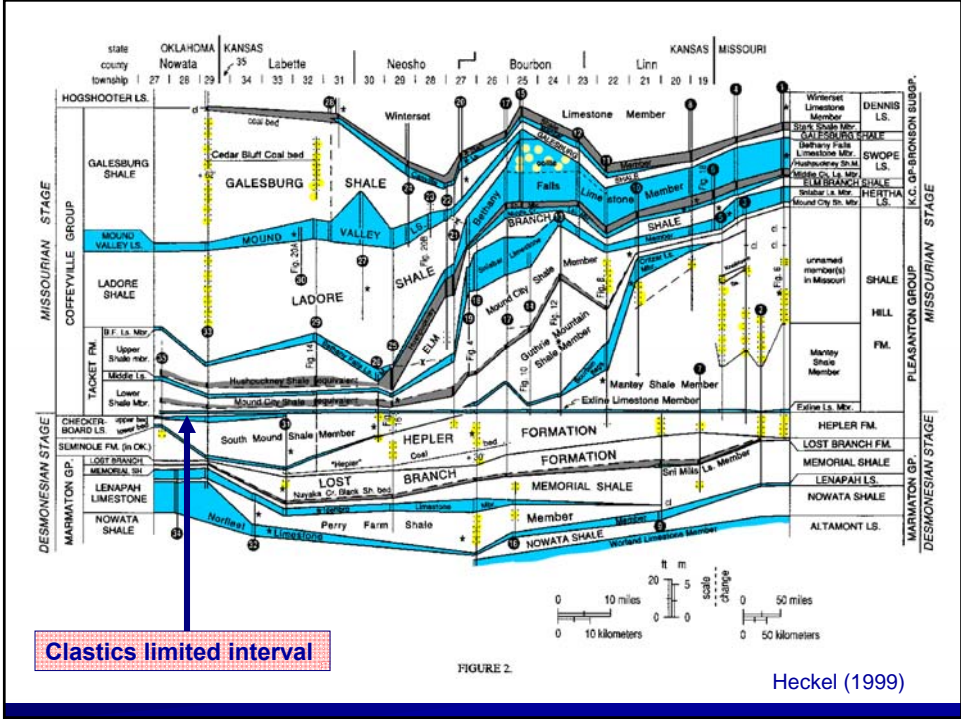
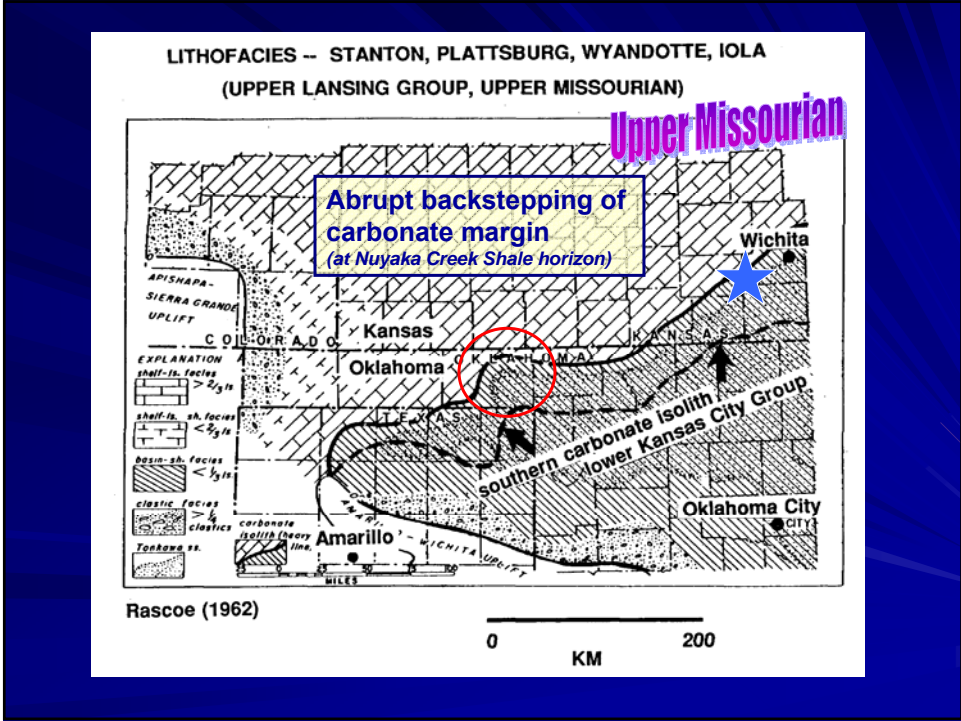
- Porosity and permeability are continuous through the Reinecke reservoir, and hence the south dome acts as a single container.
- Reinecke production is typical of "reefal" -type reservoirs with water from an underlying aquifer pushing oil up into perforations at the top of the reservoir.
- This mechanism was so efficient that 50% of the OOIP was produced by primary recovery and injection of water below the oil-water contact.
- A crestal CO₂ flood is currently underway and is feasible because of Reinecke's excellent reservoir continuity.
- The main value of the 3-D seismic surveys was to image the gross reservoir geometry in detail, which was essential for accurate volumetrics, successful reservoir simulation, and design of the crestal CO₂ flood.

Type log of Missourian and Lower Virgilian strata on Kansas carbonate shelf

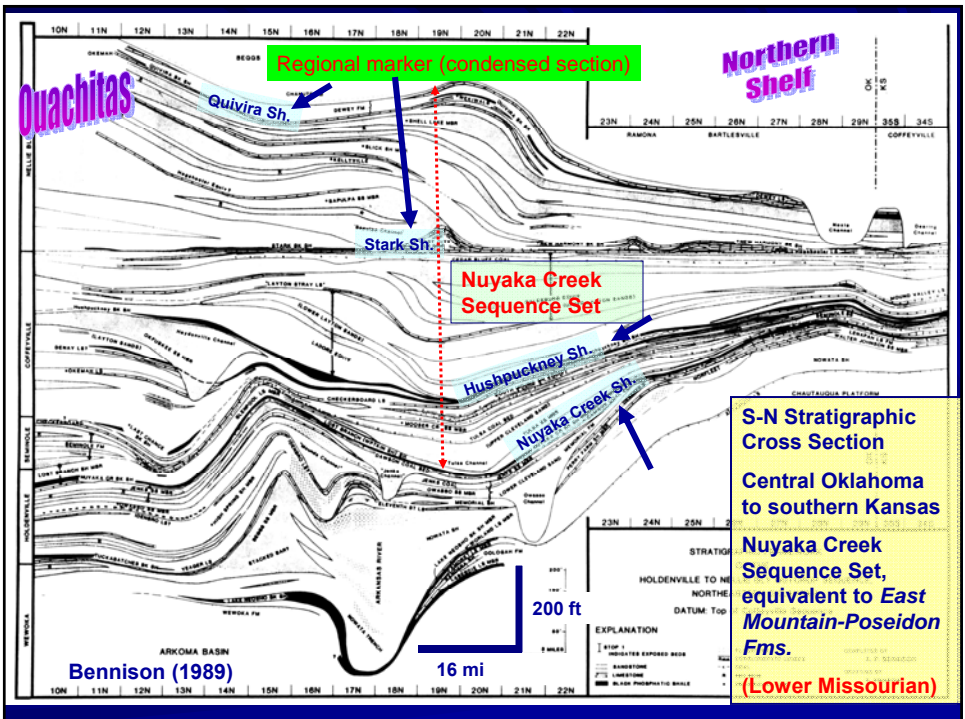
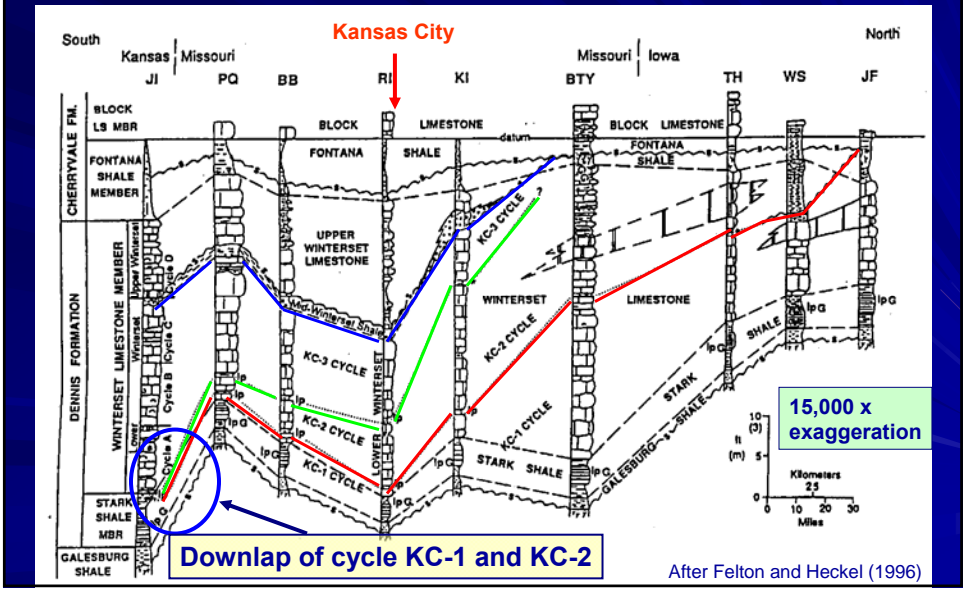
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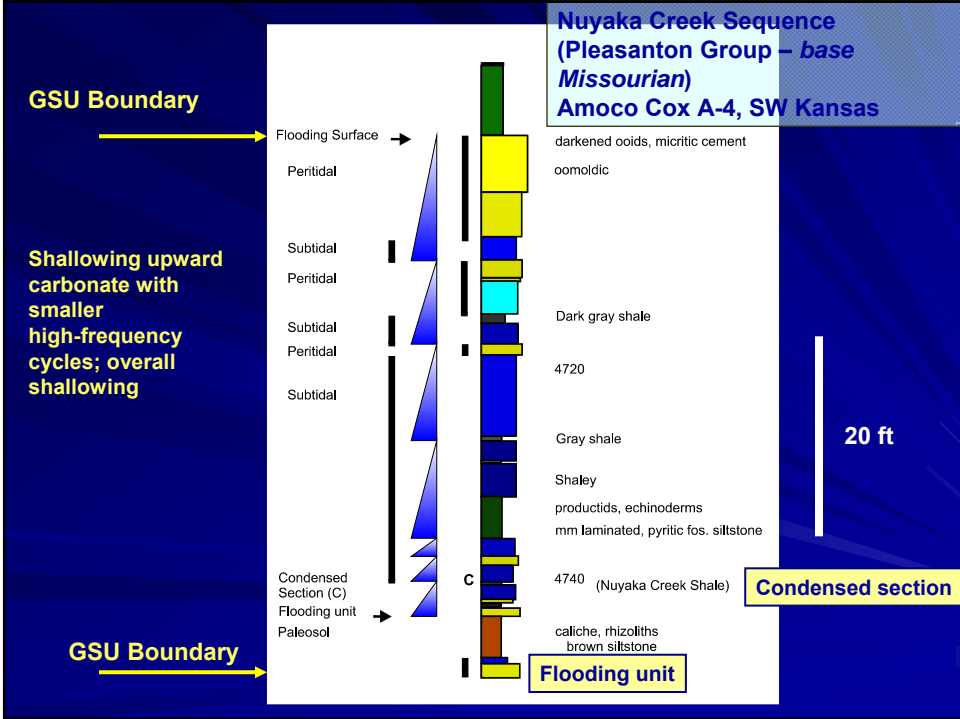


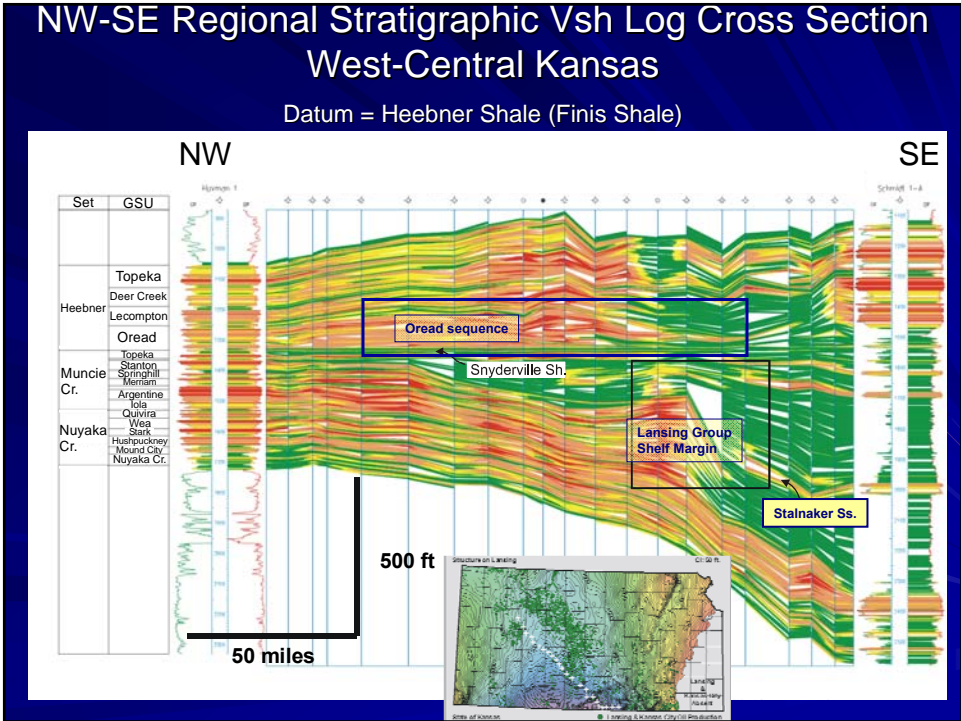
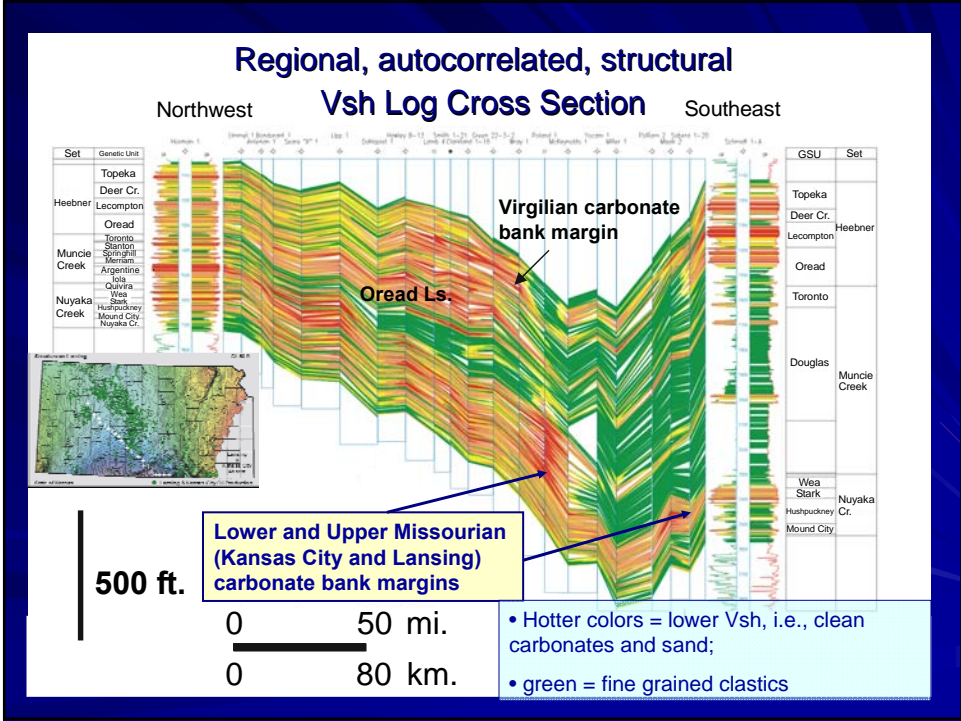
Carbonate shelf and sediment starved basin -- changes in elevation of depositional surface and rate of accumulation

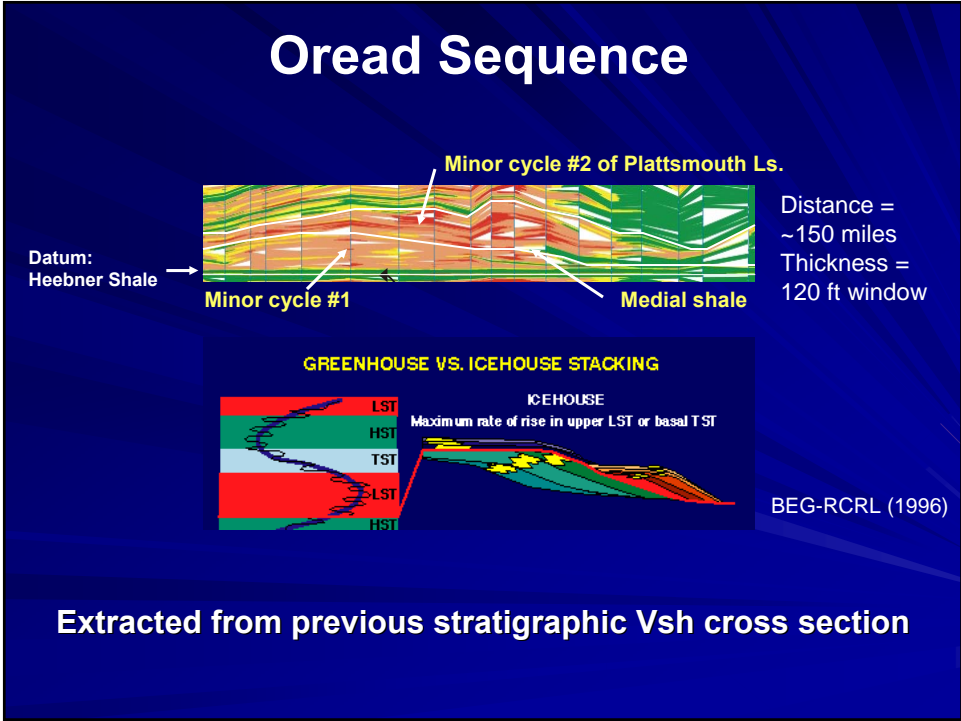
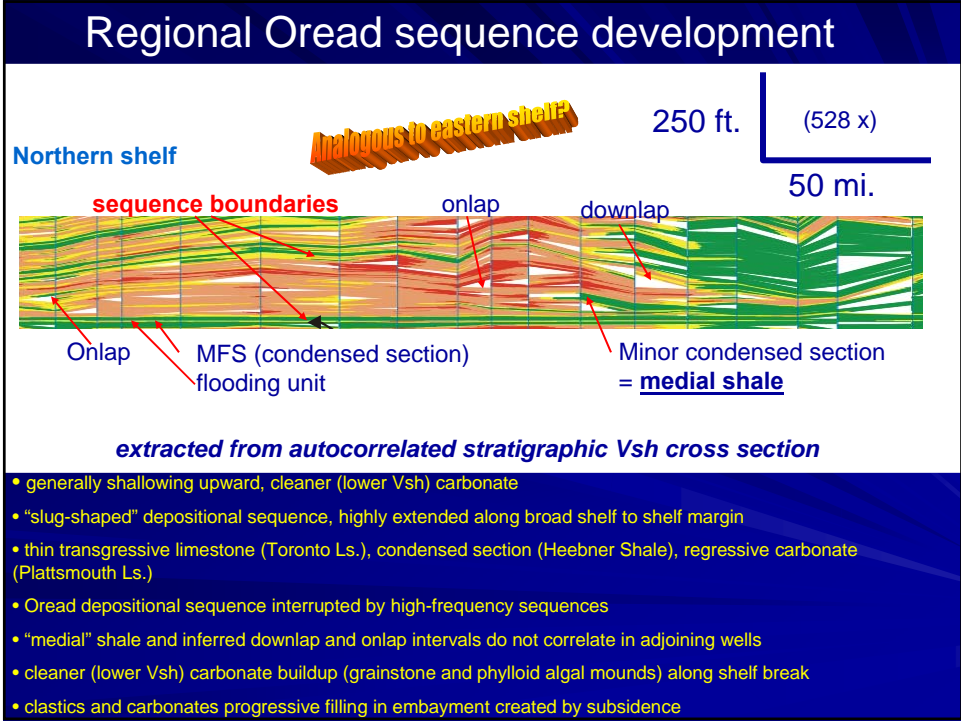


High-frequency sequences driven by forced regression in the Winterset Limestone from surface sections - regressive carbonate downlaps onto Stark Shale









Northern shelf outside Lawrence, KS



Medial shale

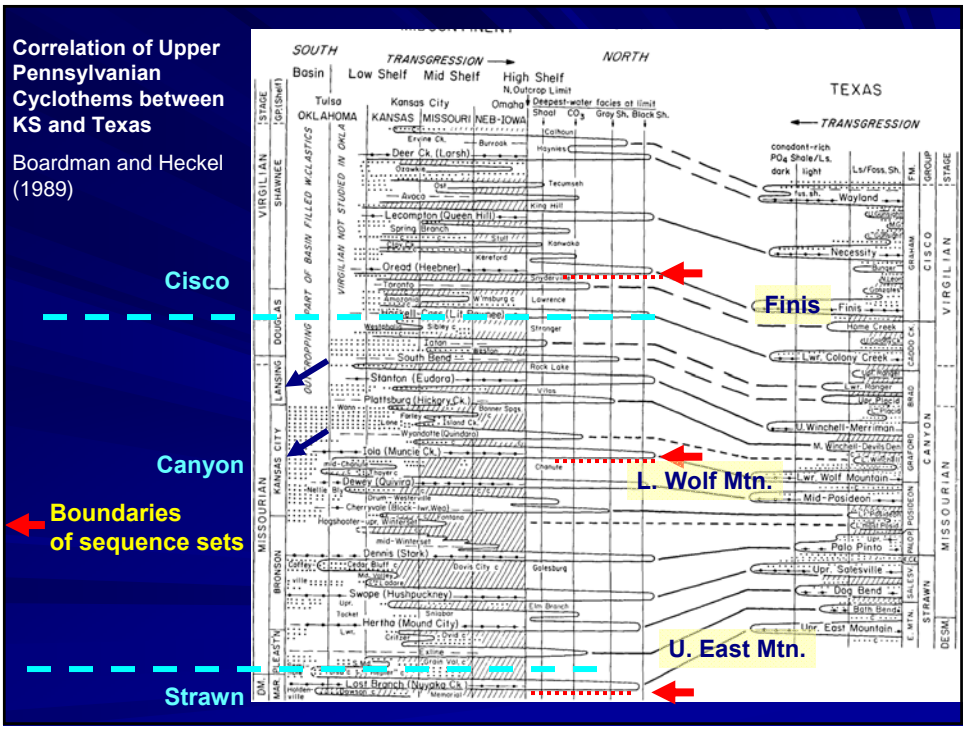
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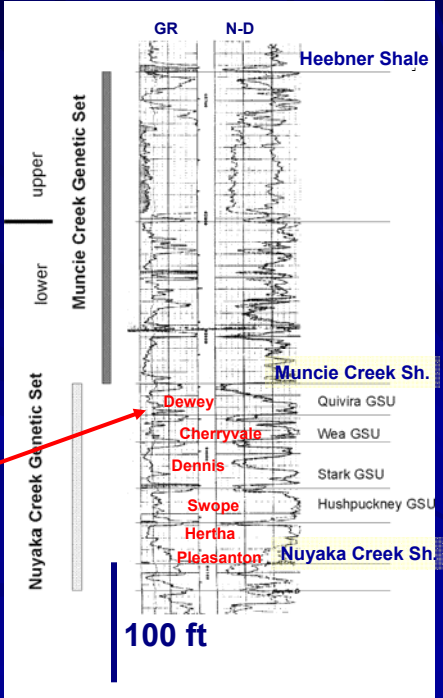


Correlation of Upper Pennsylvanian Cyclothem between KS and Texas
Boardman and Heckel (1989)

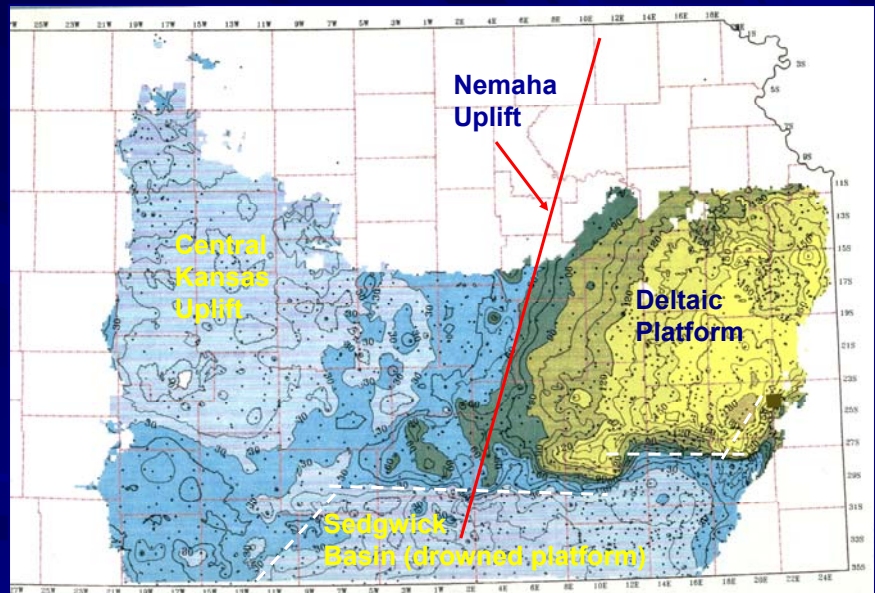
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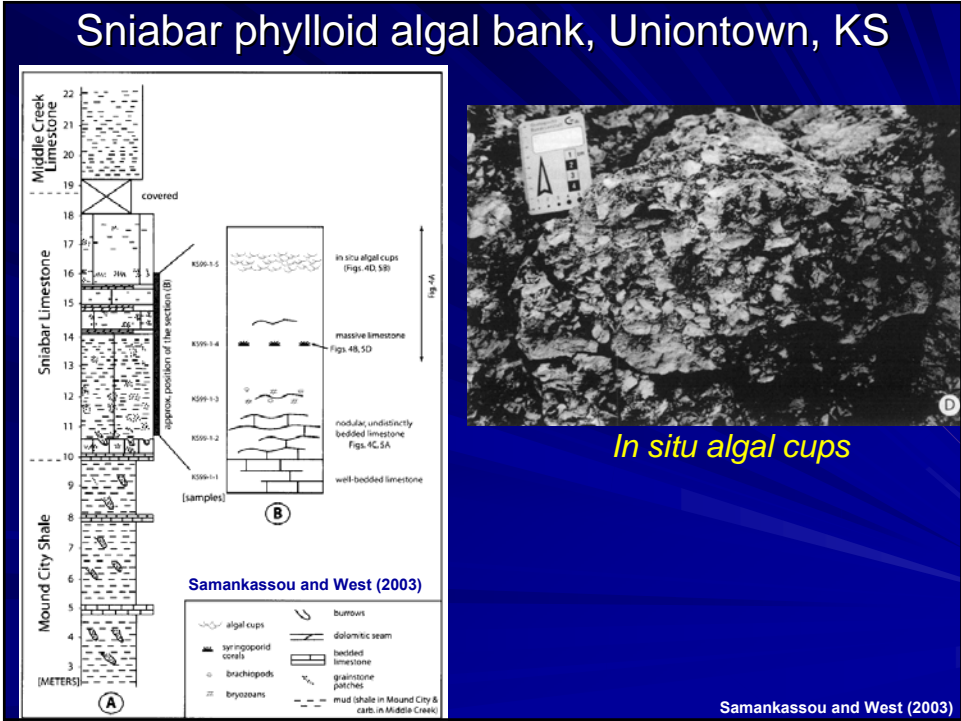
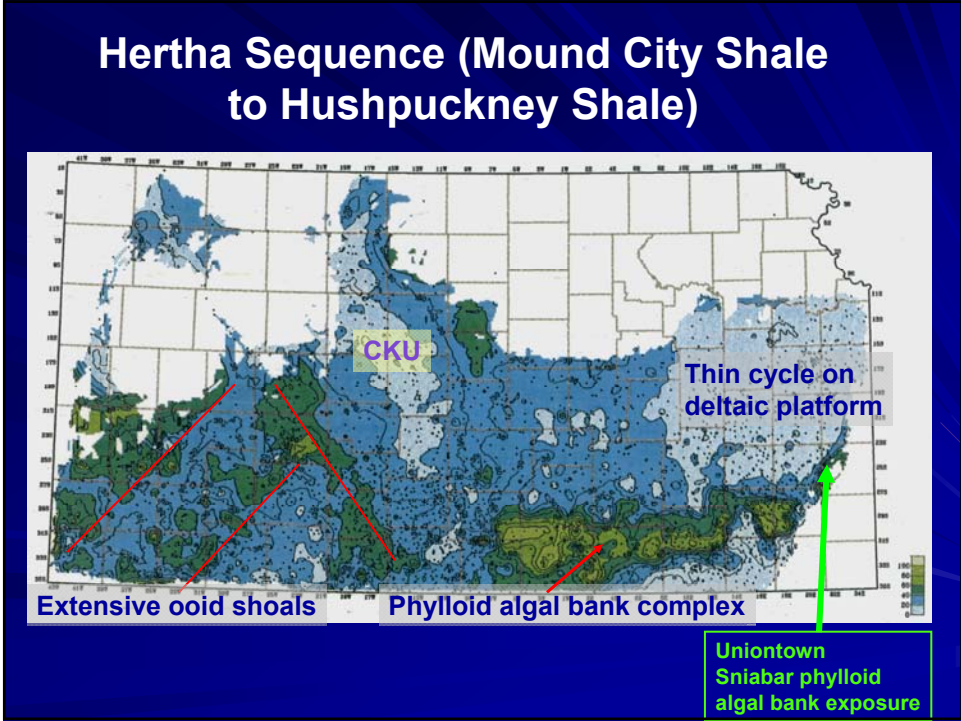
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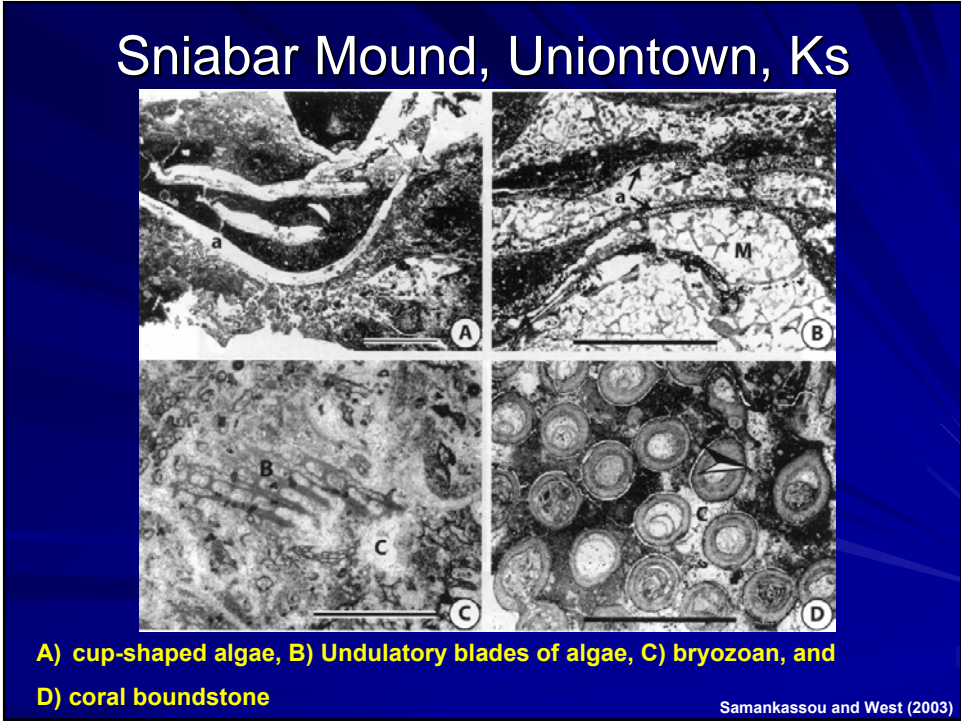


Pleasanton sequence – Nuyaka Creek Sh. to Mound City Sh.

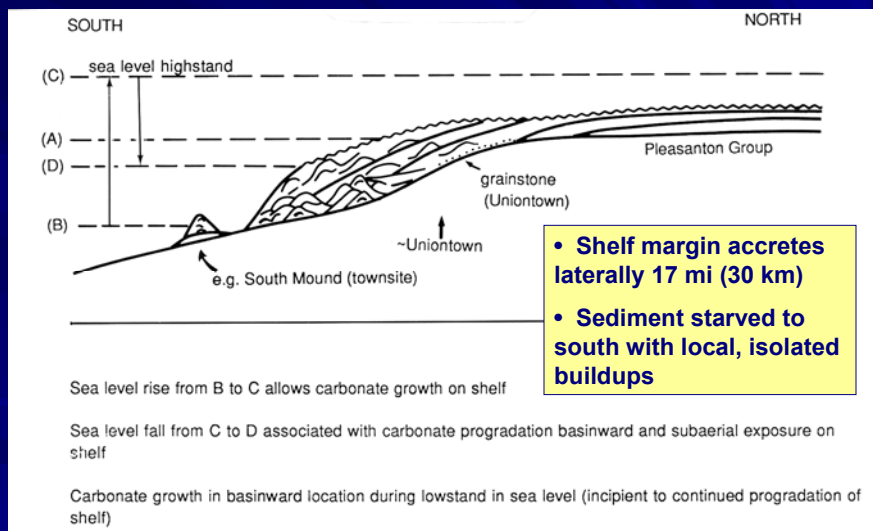


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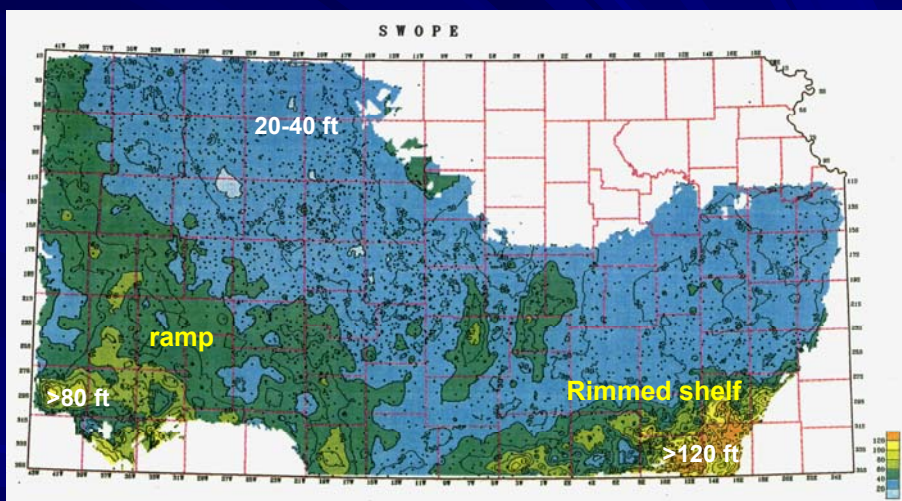


Hertha sequence in eastern Kansas, 100 ft thick on lower rimmed shelf margin



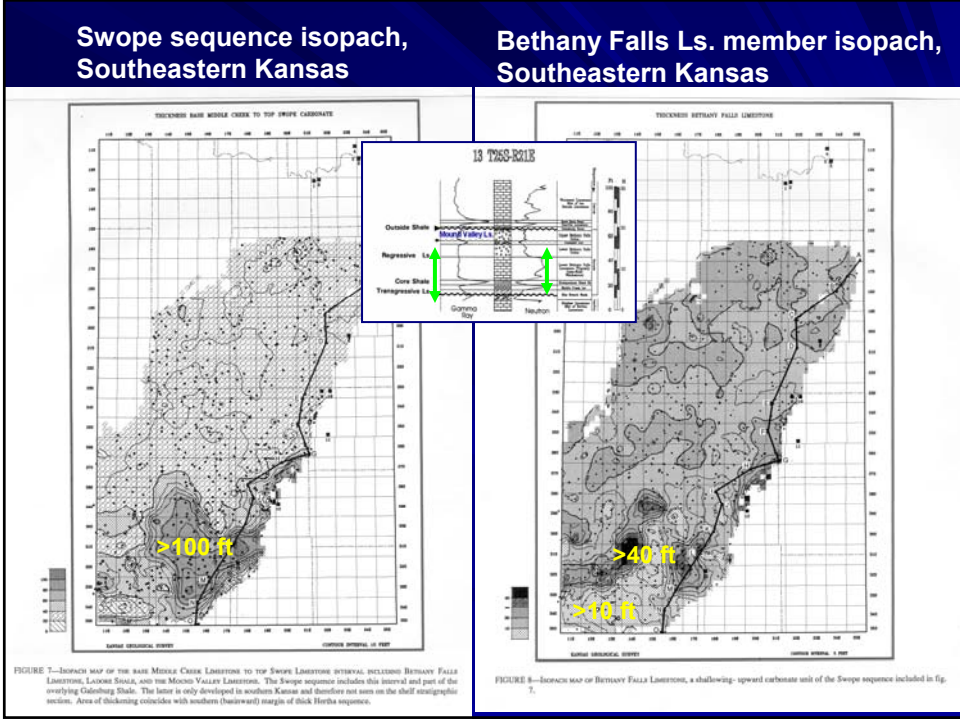
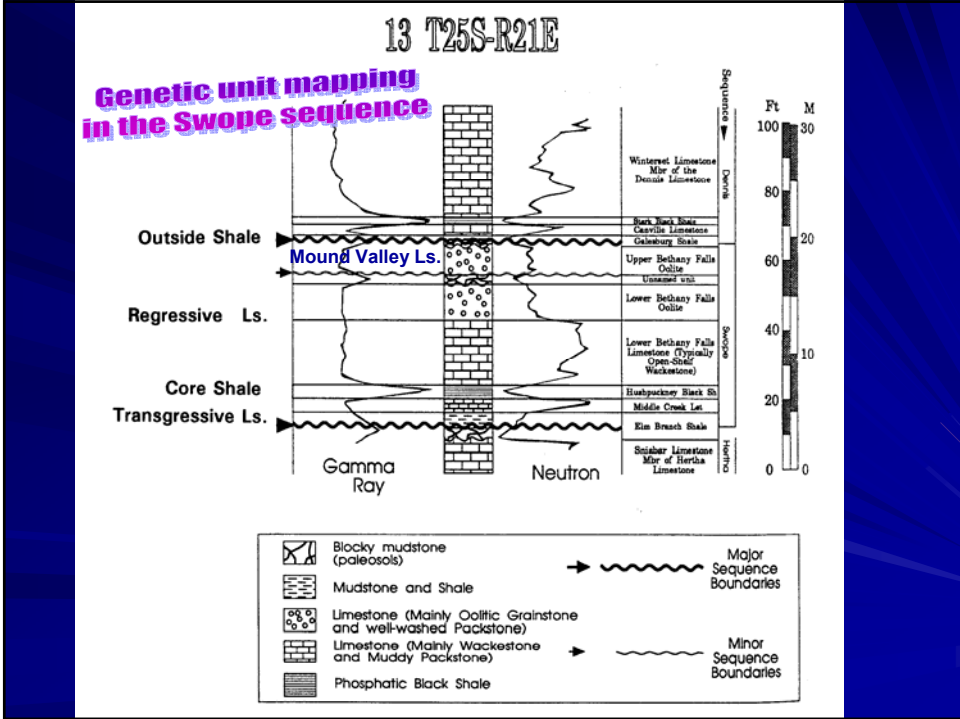
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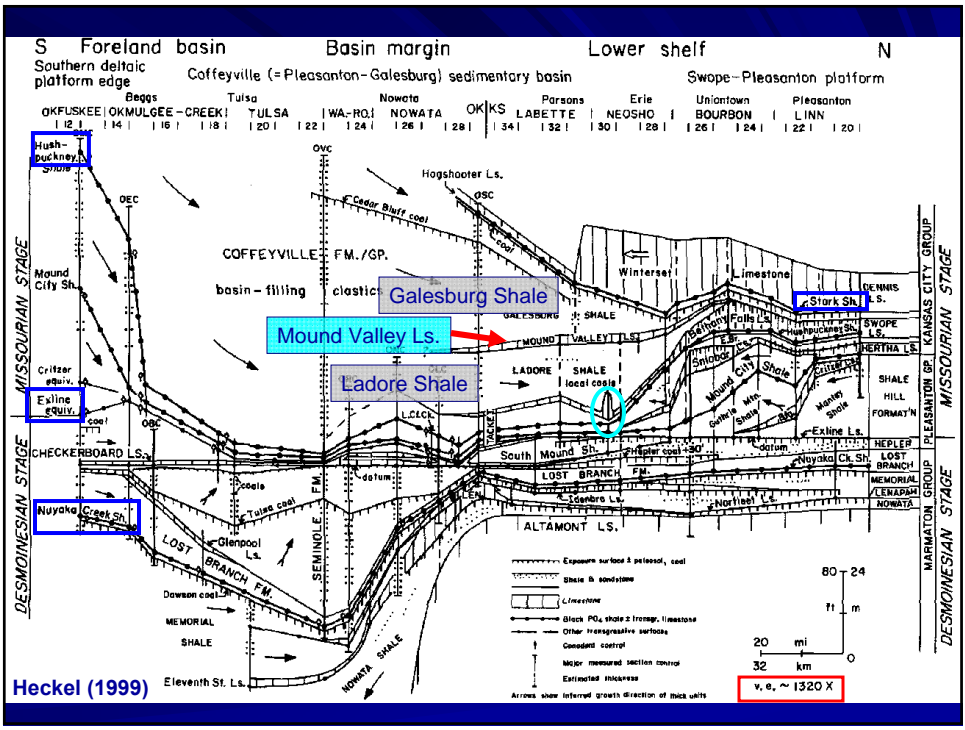
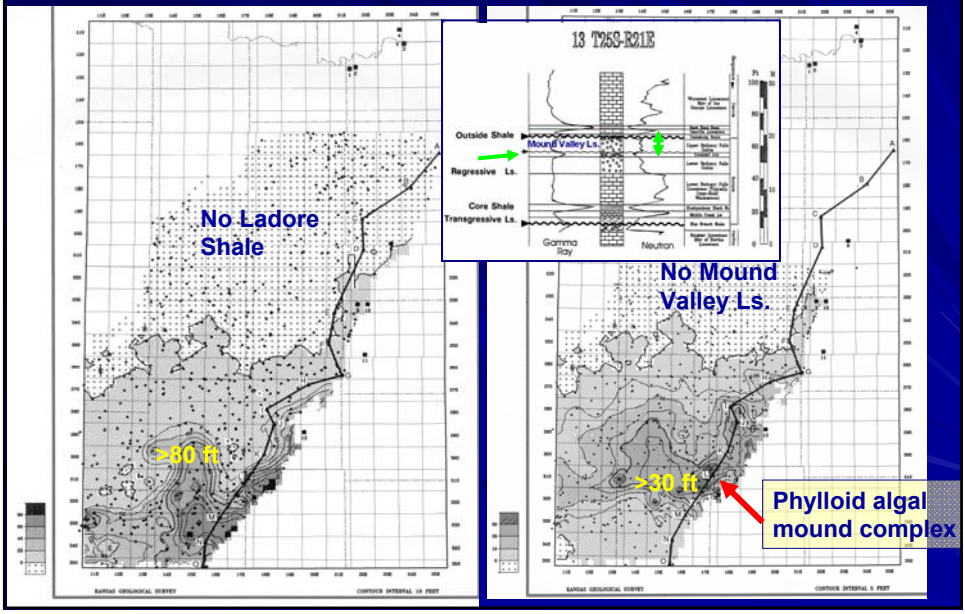


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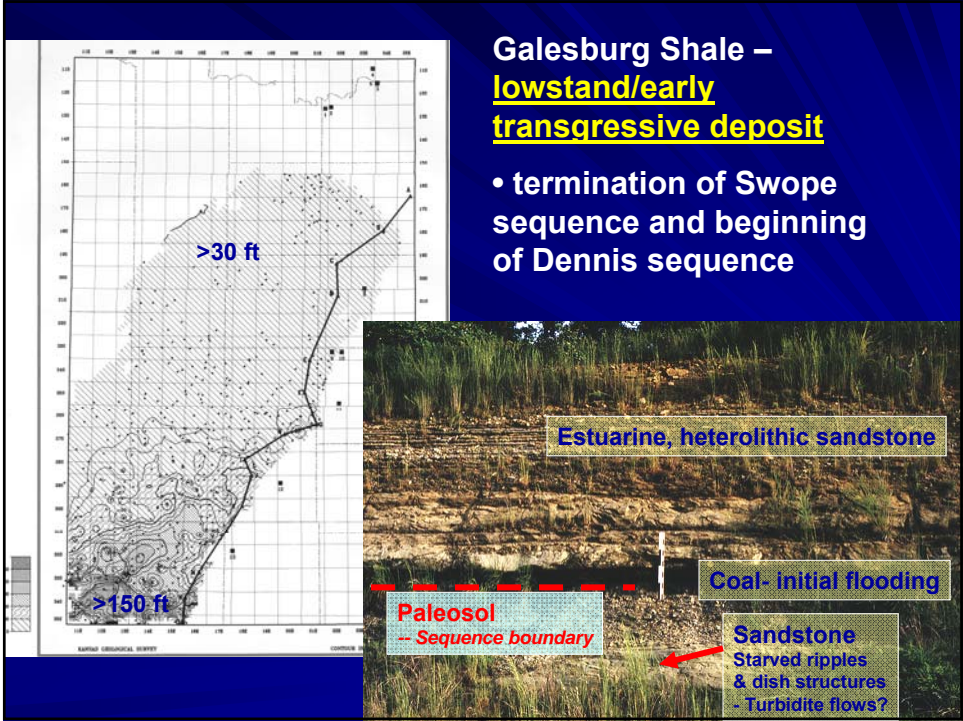


Ladore Shale and Mound Valley Ls. isopachous maps
 (lowstand deposits in the uppermost Swope sequence)



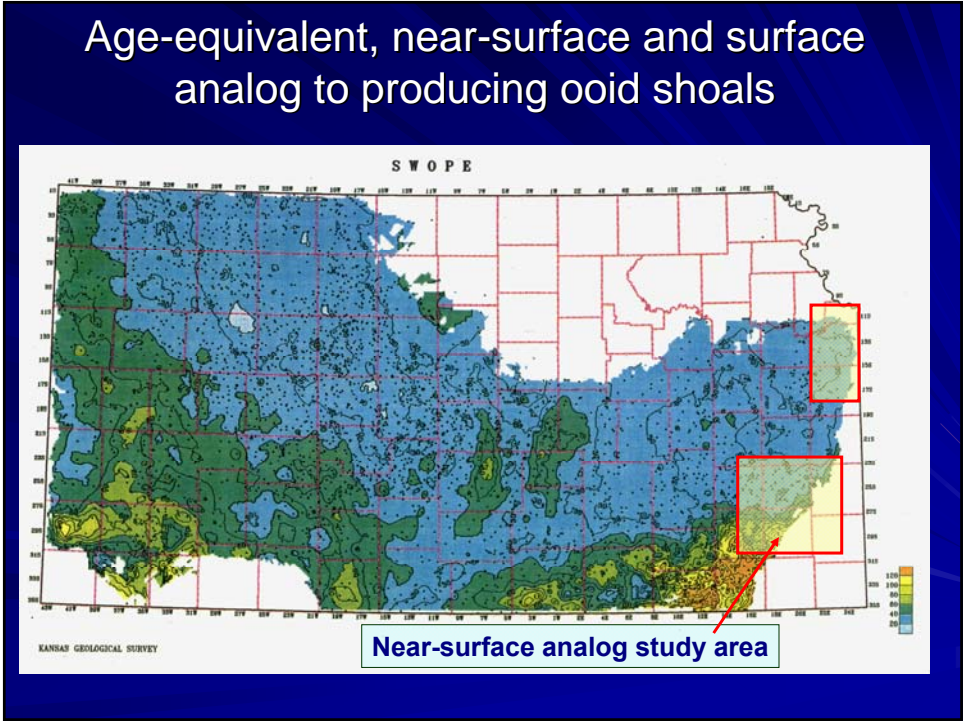
Galesburg Shale – lowstand/early transgressive deposit

- termination of Swope sequence and beginning of Dennis sequence



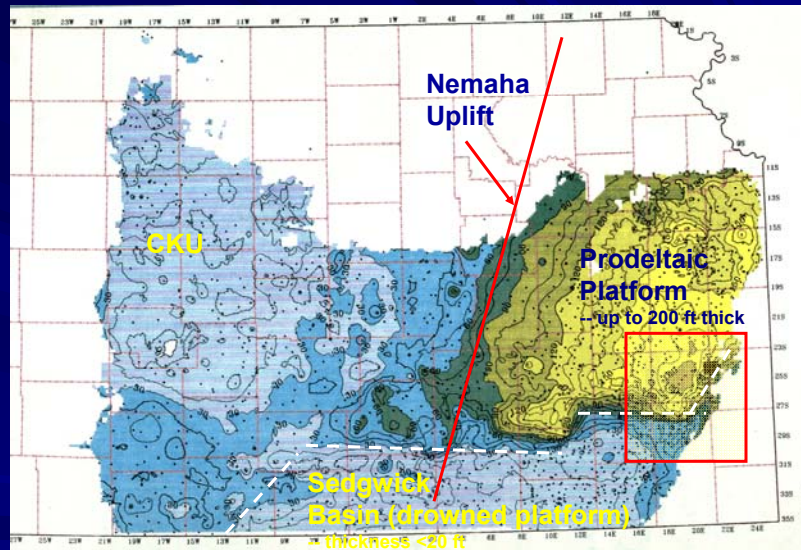
The figure consists of two parts. On the left is a geological map from the Kansas Geological Survey showing a study area with contour lines and a grid. Two regions are labeled: one with a hatched pattern and the text '>30 ft', and another with a dotted pattern and the text '>150 ft'. On the right is a field photograph of a rock outcrop. A red dashed line indicates a 'Paleosol - Sequence boundary'. Above this boundary is a layer of 'Estuarine, heterolithic sandstone'. Below the boundary is a layer of 'Coal- initial flooding'. Below the coal is a layer of 'Sandstone' characterized by 'Starved ripples & dish structures' and 'Turbidite flows?'.

Age-equivalent, near-surface and surface analog to producing ooid shoals

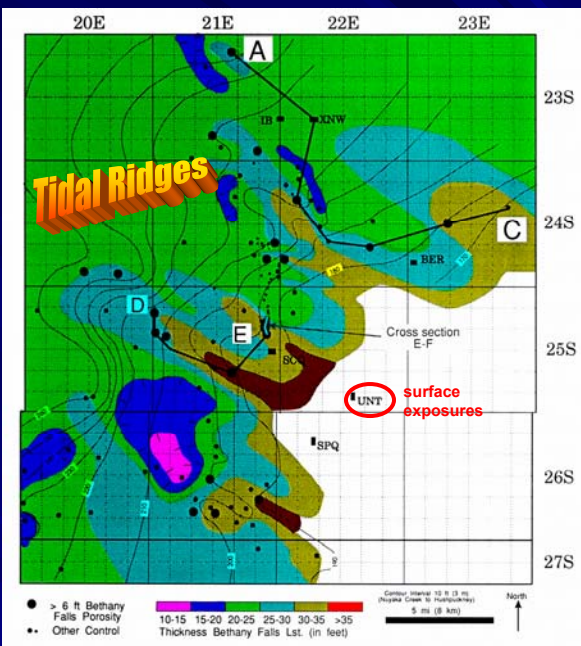


The figure is a topographic map of the Swope region, titled 'S W O P E'. The map shows elevation contours and a grid. A red box highlights a specific area in the southeast, which is labeled 'Near-surface analog study area'. A color scale on the right indicates elevation in feet, ranging from 200 to 2100. The map is credited to the 'KANSAS GEOLOGICAL SURVEY'.

Isopach of the genetic unit bounding the Pleasanton Group



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Thickness of Bethany Falls Limestone (shaded) overlain on isopach of Nuyaka Creek Shale to Hushpuckney Shale

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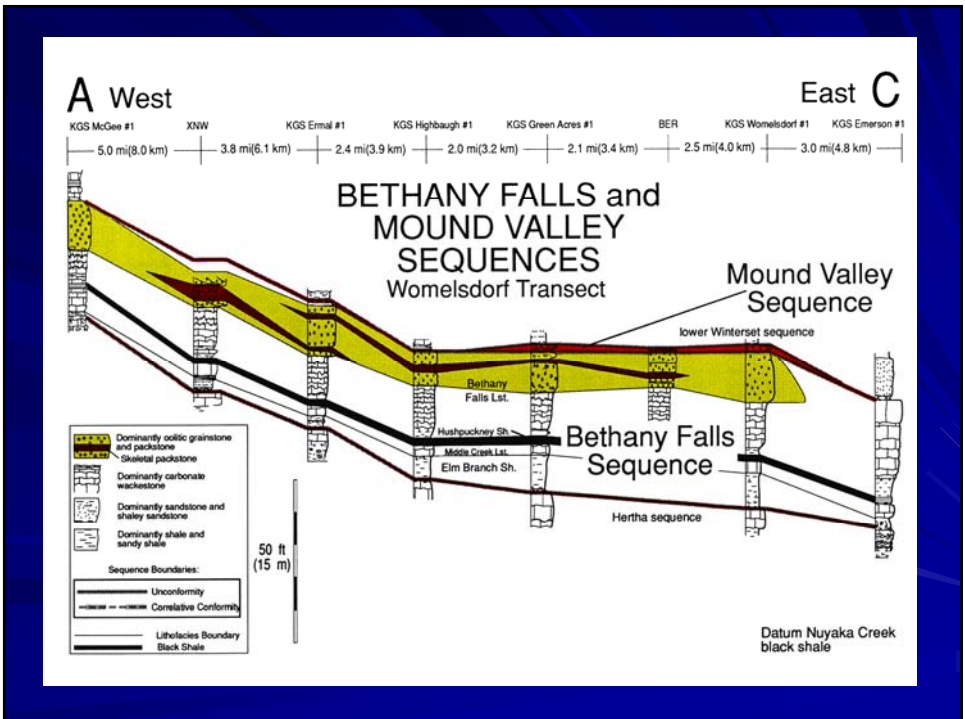
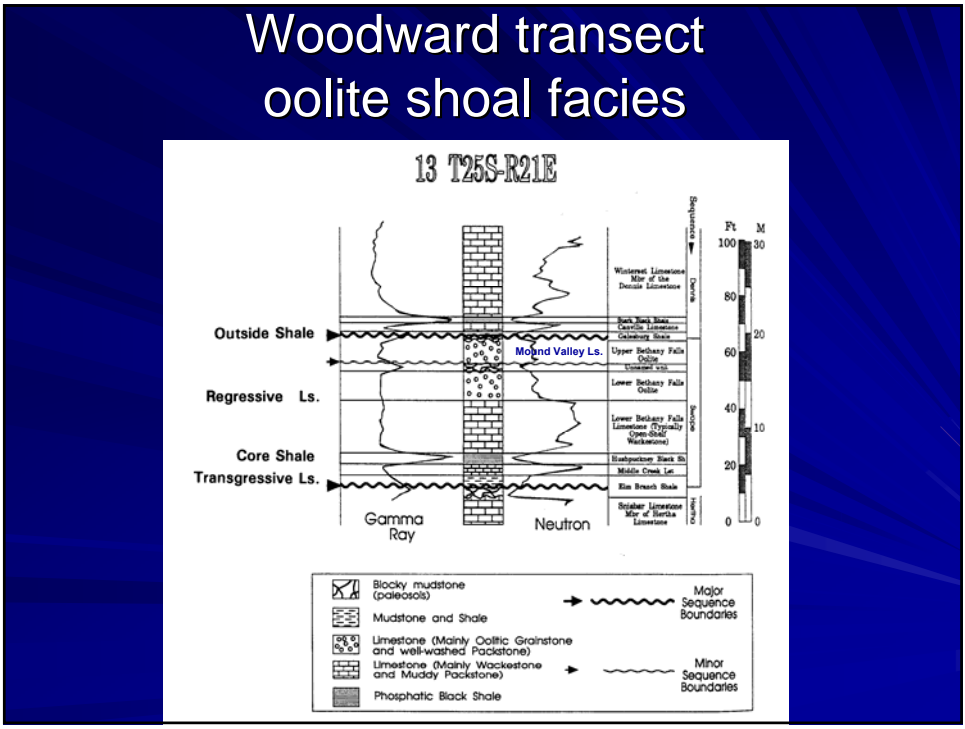
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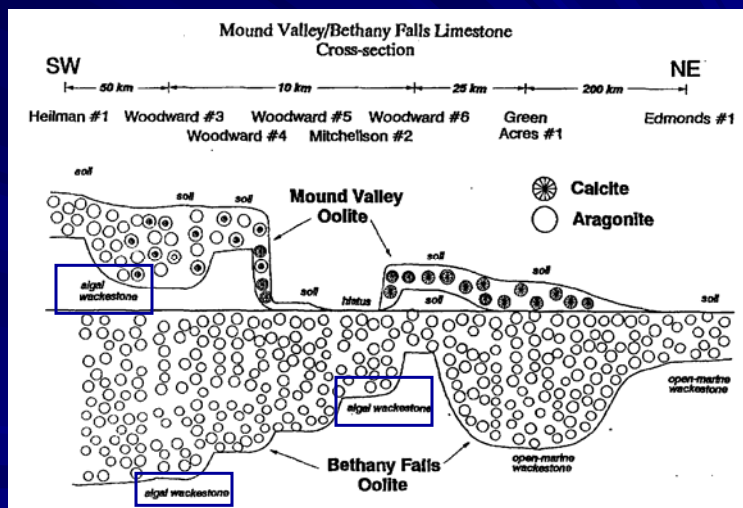
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Well control from wireline logs in oil and gas wells

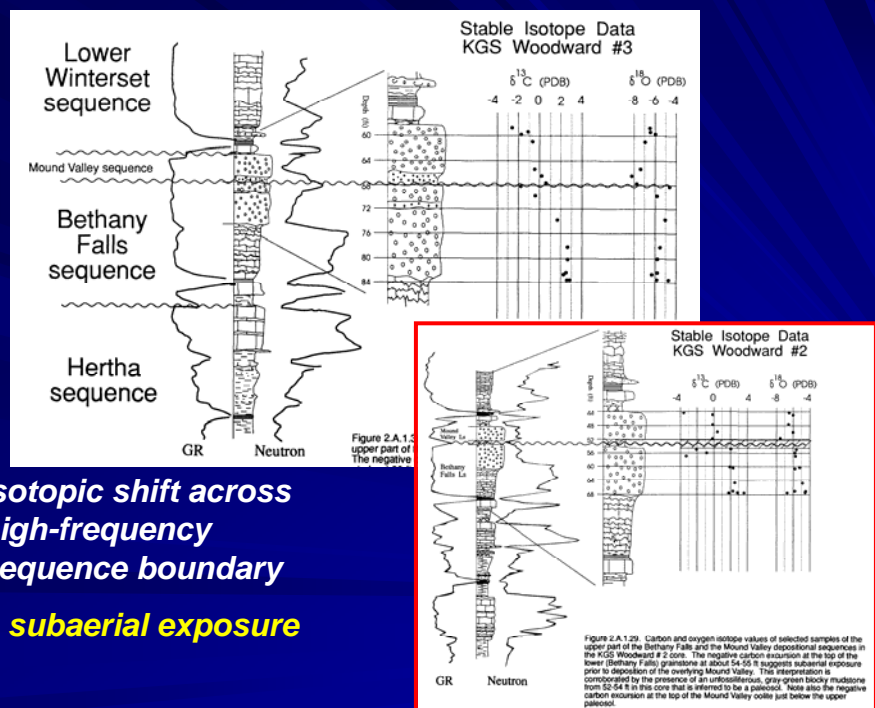
Woodward transect oolite shoal facies



Swope sequence with two temporally oolites separated by paleosol

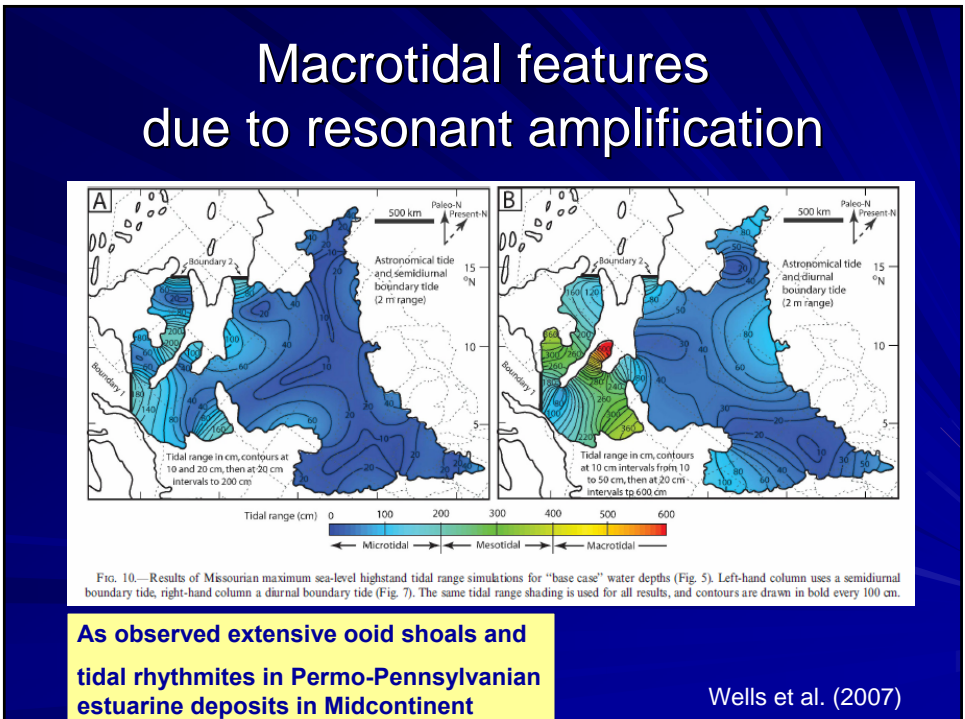
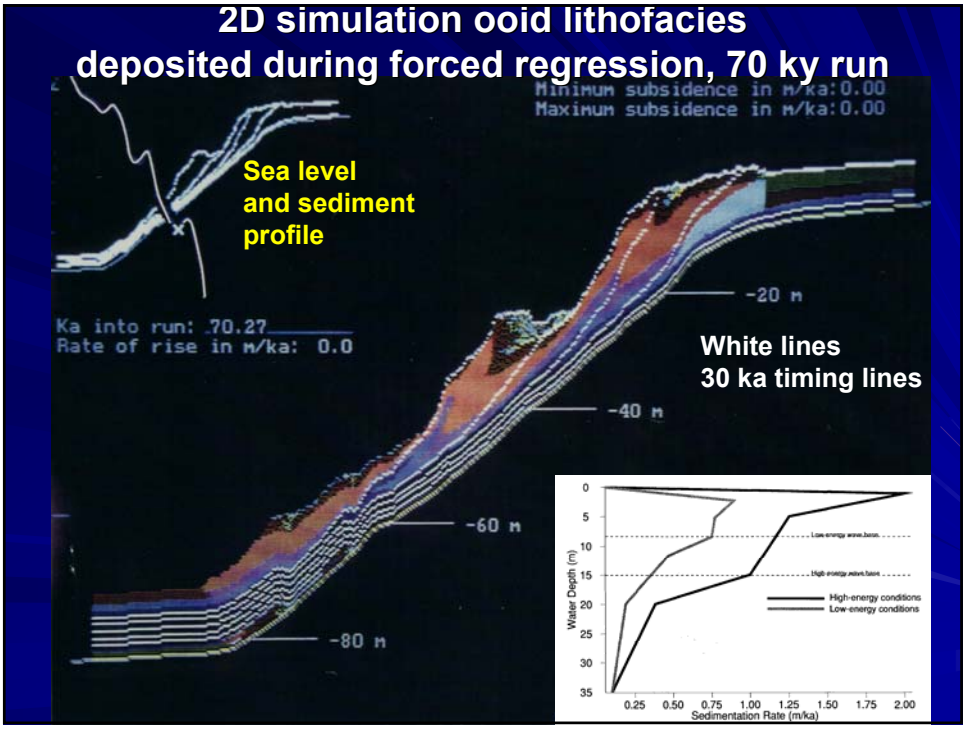


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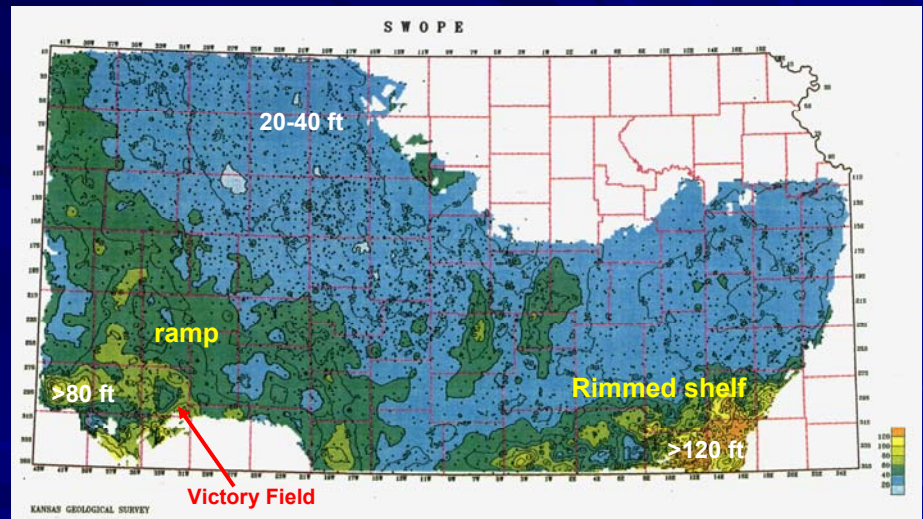


Isotopic shift across high-frequency sequence boundary = subaerial exposure

Figure 2.A.1.29 Carbon and oxygen isotope values of selected samples of the upper part of the Bethany Falls and the Mound Valley depositional sequences in the KGS Woodward #2 core. The negative carbon excursion at the top of the lower Bethany Falls grainstone at about 54-55 ft suggests subaerial exposure prior to deposition of the overlying Mound Valley. This interpretation is corroborated by the presence of an unconformity. Gray-green blocky mudstone from 52-54 ft in this core that is inferred to be a paleosol. Note also the negative carbon excursion at the top of the Mound Valley oolite just below the upper paleosol.

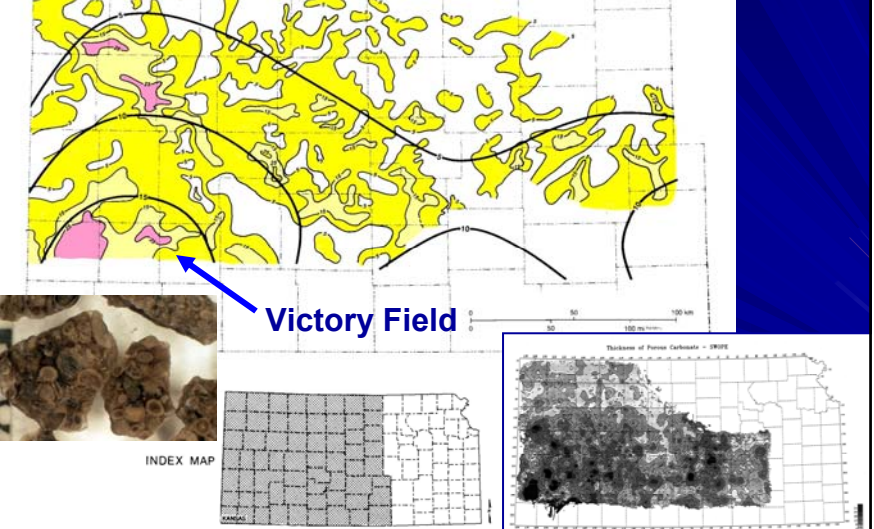


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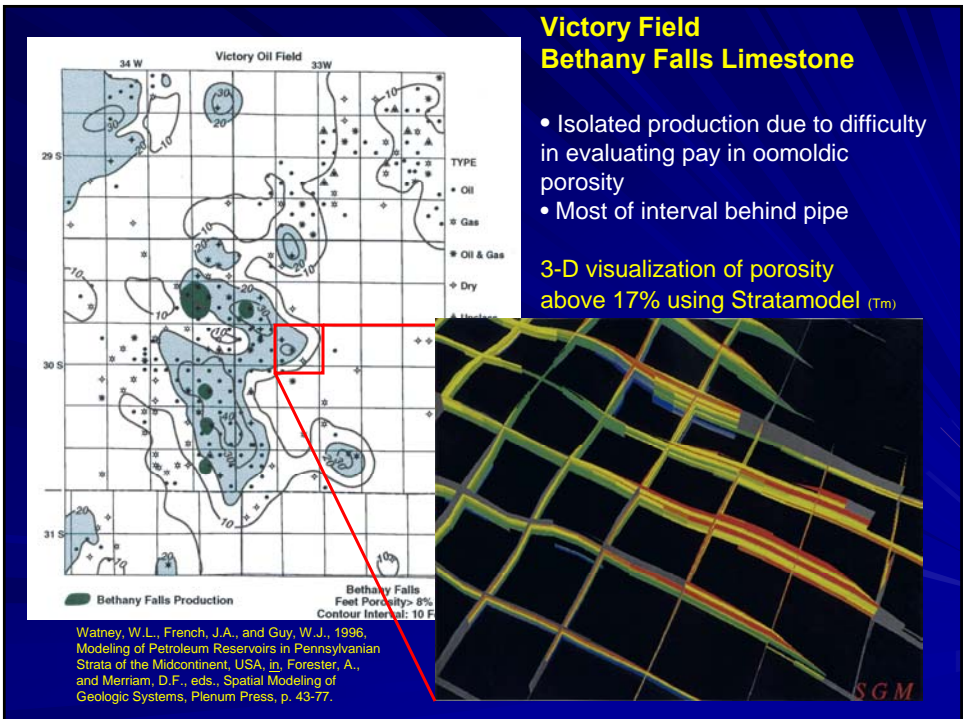
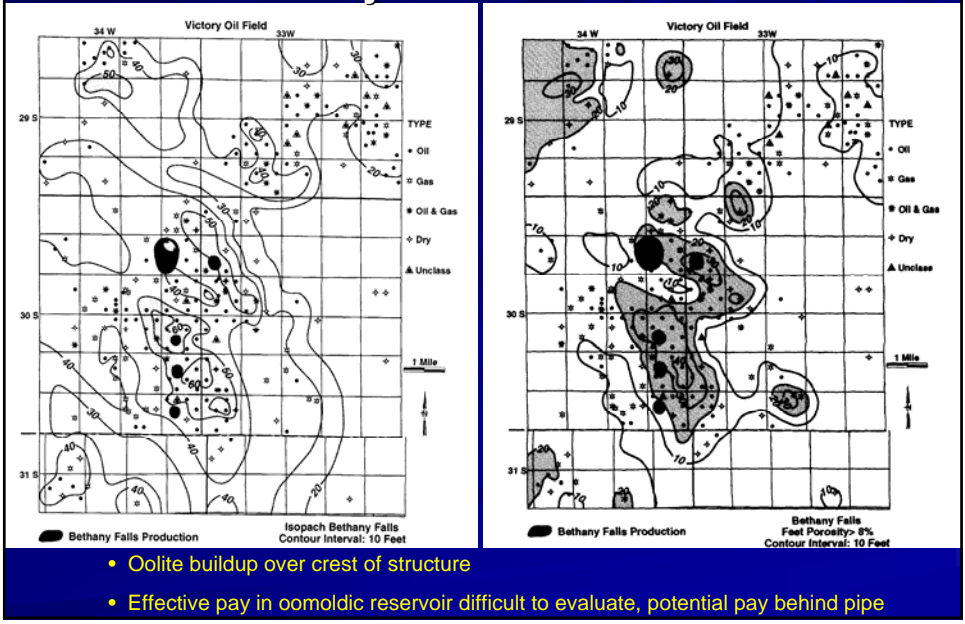


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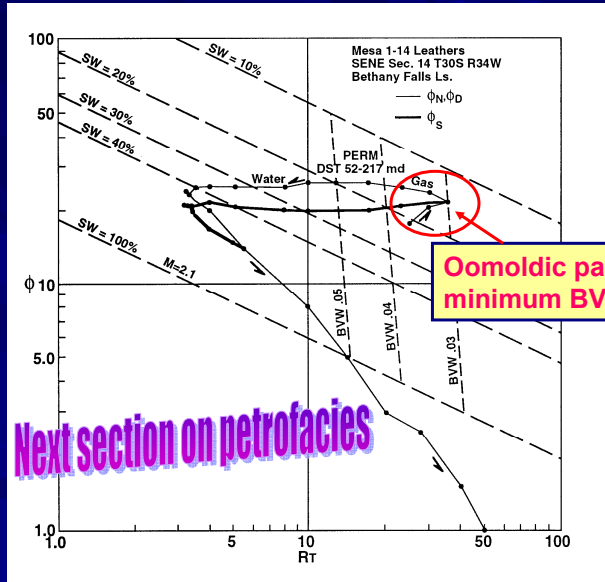
Thickness of porous carbonate (>8%Ø) –
 Swope Sequence, western Ks
 extensive ooid shoals – tidal amplification
in Hugoton Embayment



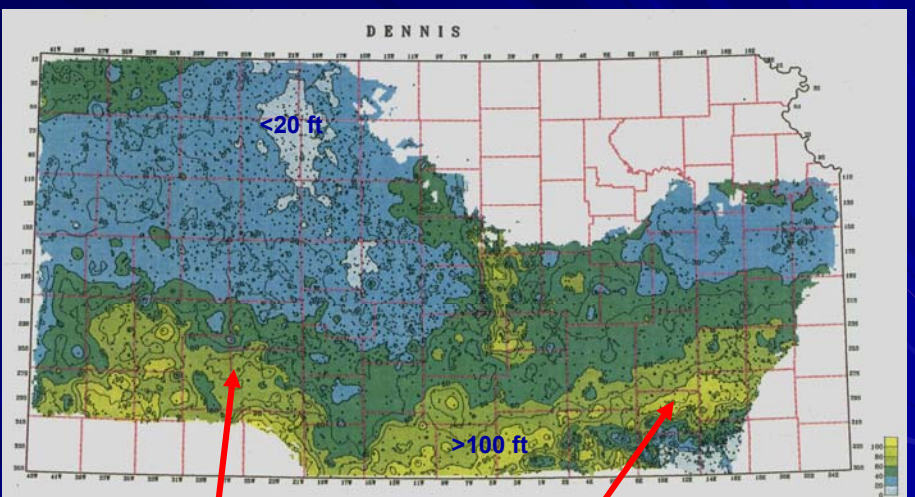
Victory Field – gross h, ft porosity in Bethany Falls Ls. Member



Super Pickett crossplot – pore typing and petrophysical modeling of oomoldic pay

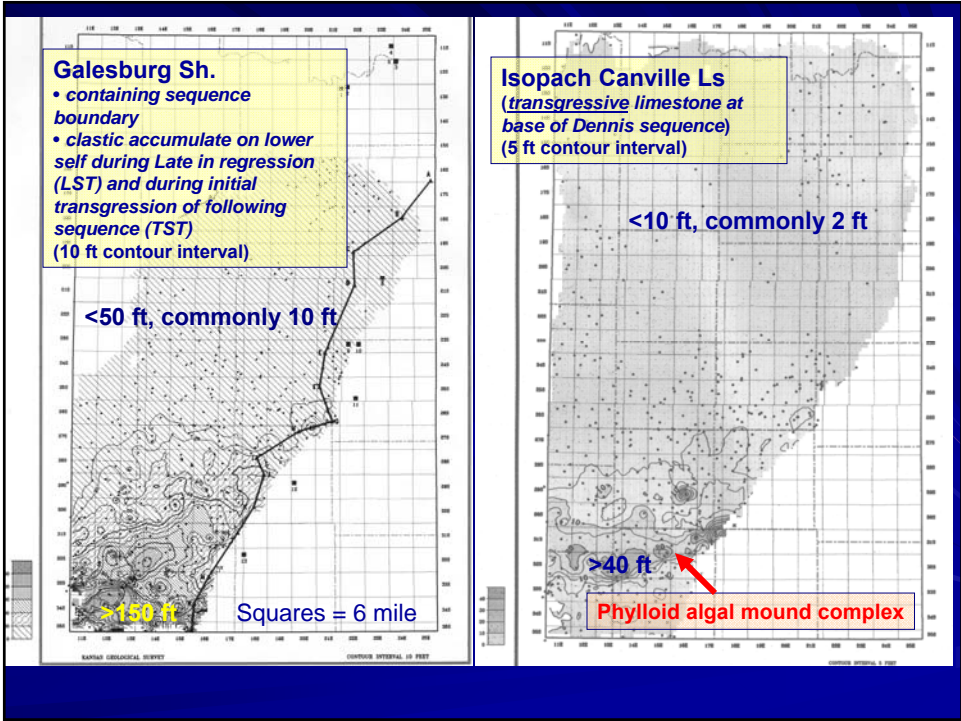
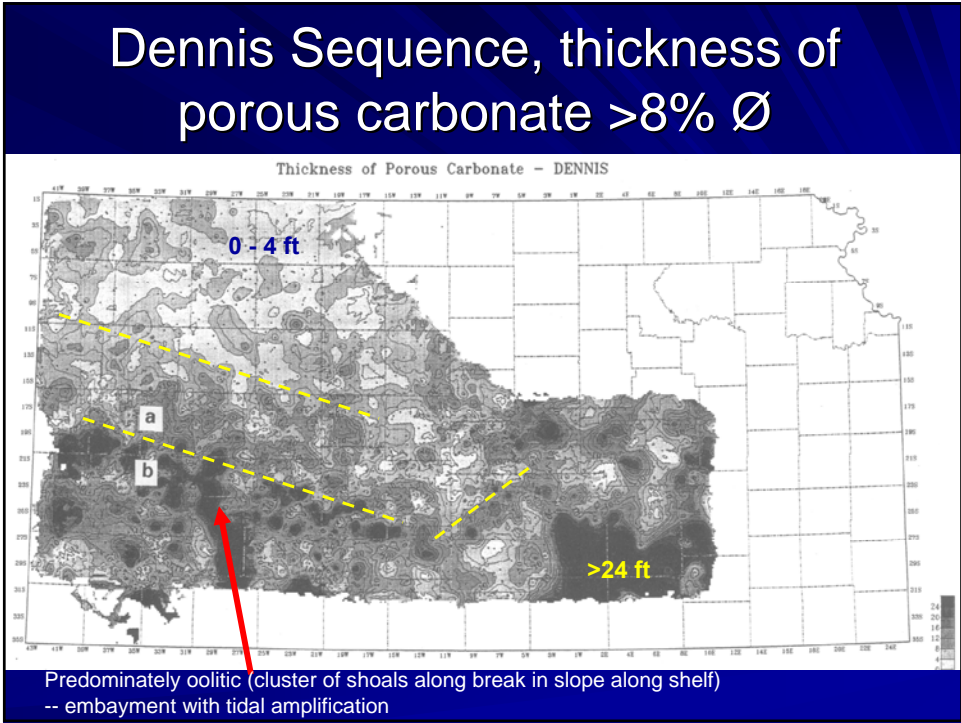


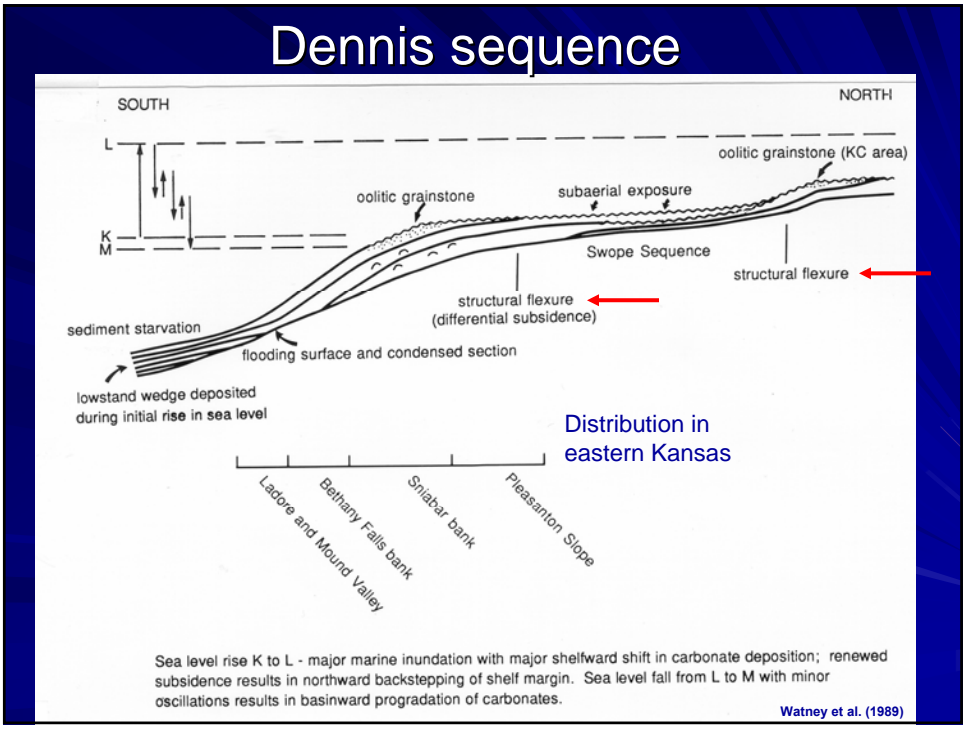
Dennis sequence
 thickness (Stark Shale – base Cherryvale Fm.)



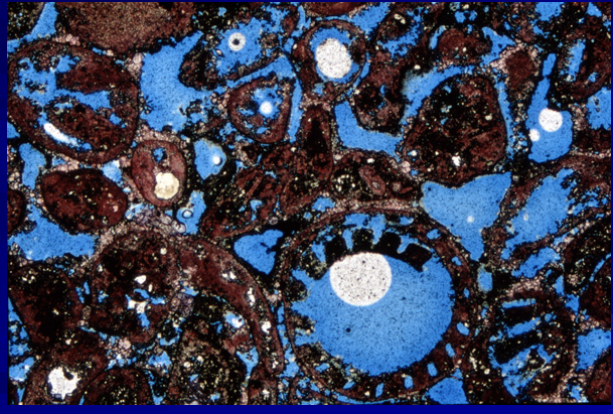
Shallow lithofacies predominately oolitic
 -- embayment with tidal amplification

Predominantly phylloid algal mounds and some oolite

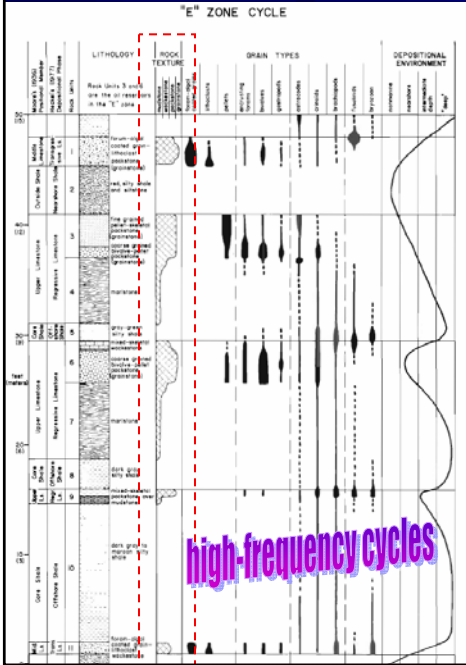




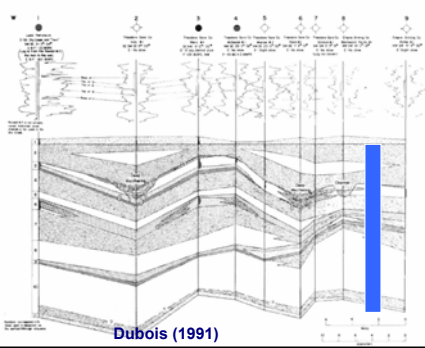
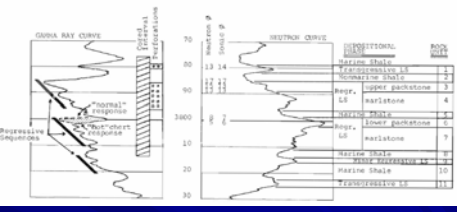
Dennis Sequence - High shelf Hitchcock County, Nebraska



Dennis Sequence on high northern shelf - Nebraska

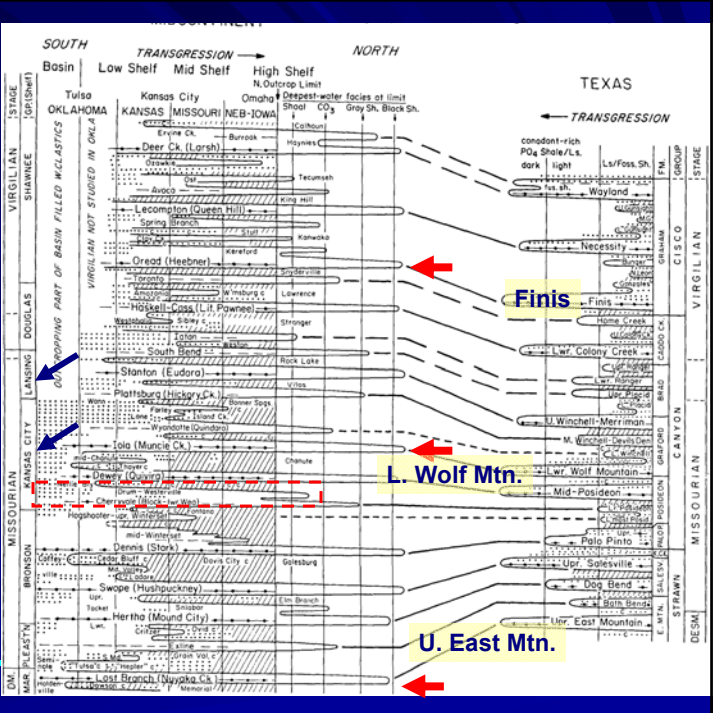


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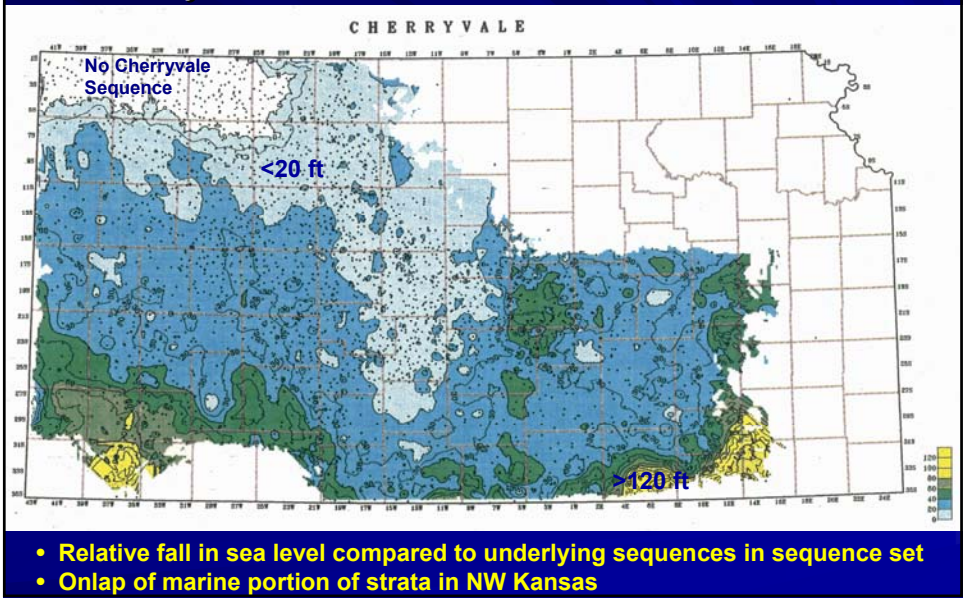


Correlation of Upper Pennsylvanian Cyclothem between Ks and Texas
Boardman and Heckel (1989)

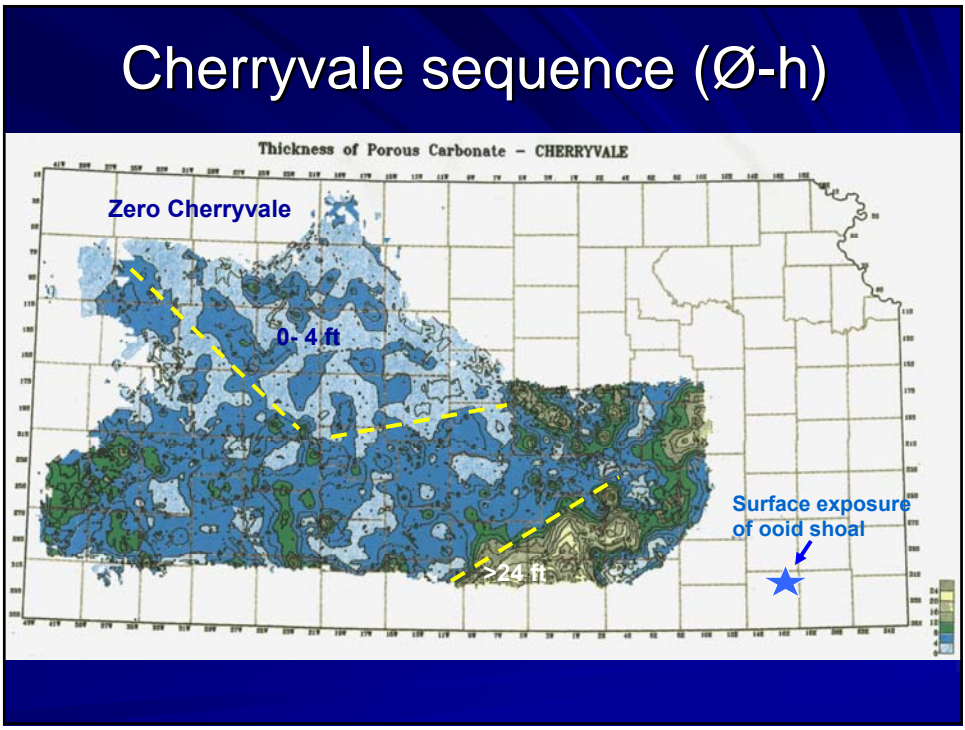
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Boundaries of sequence sets
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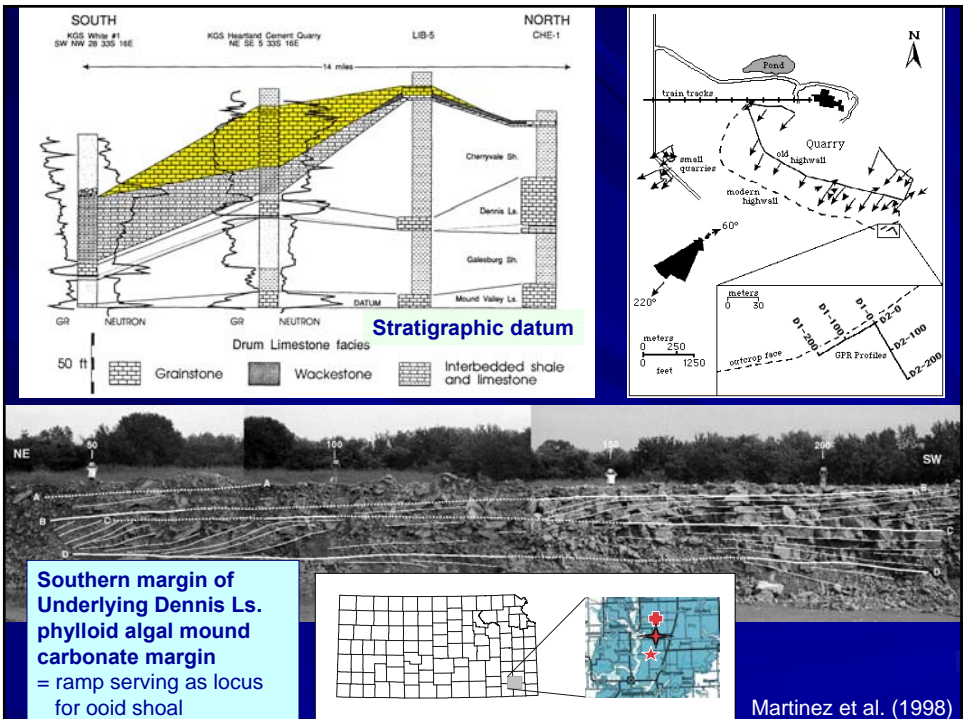
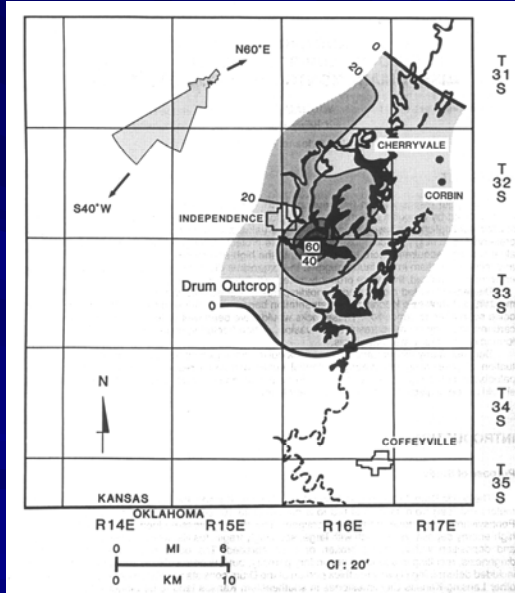
Cherryvale sequence – Base Cherryvale Fm. Base Quivira Shale



Cherryvale sequence (Ø-h)



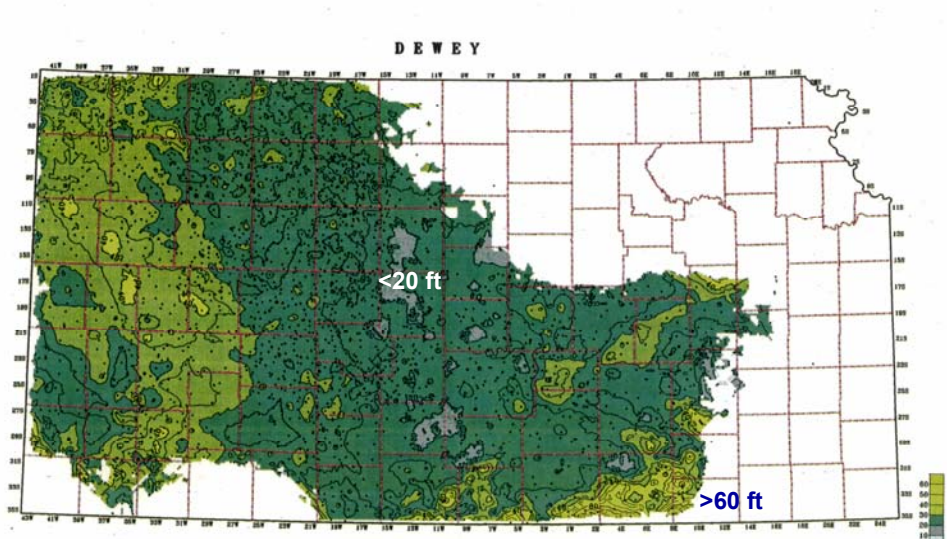
Local development of thick ooid shoal in Cherryvale sequence in SE Kansas



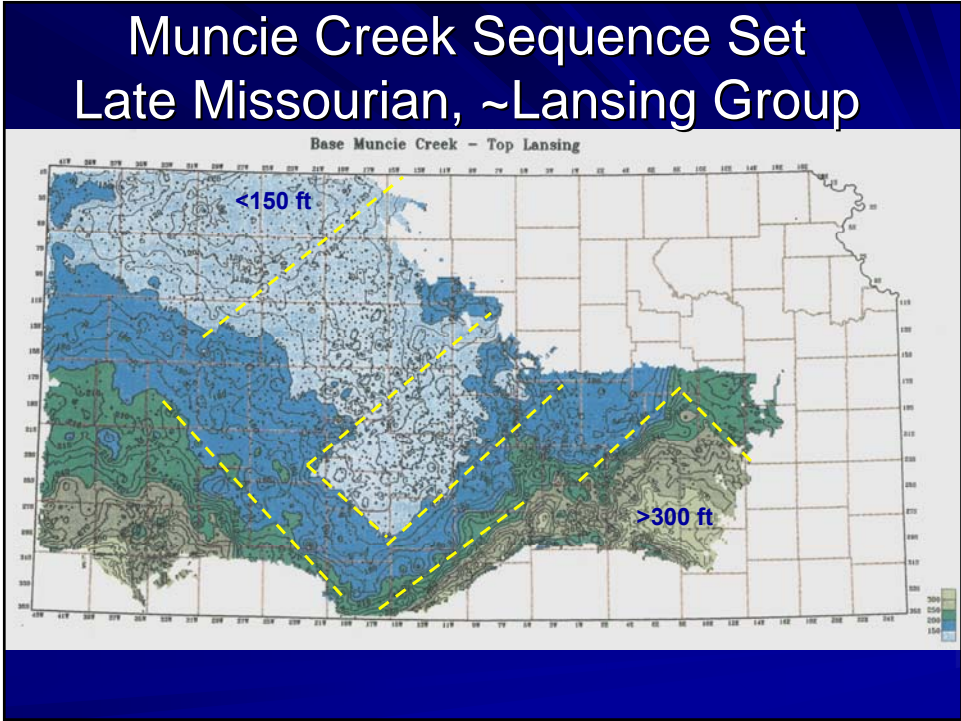
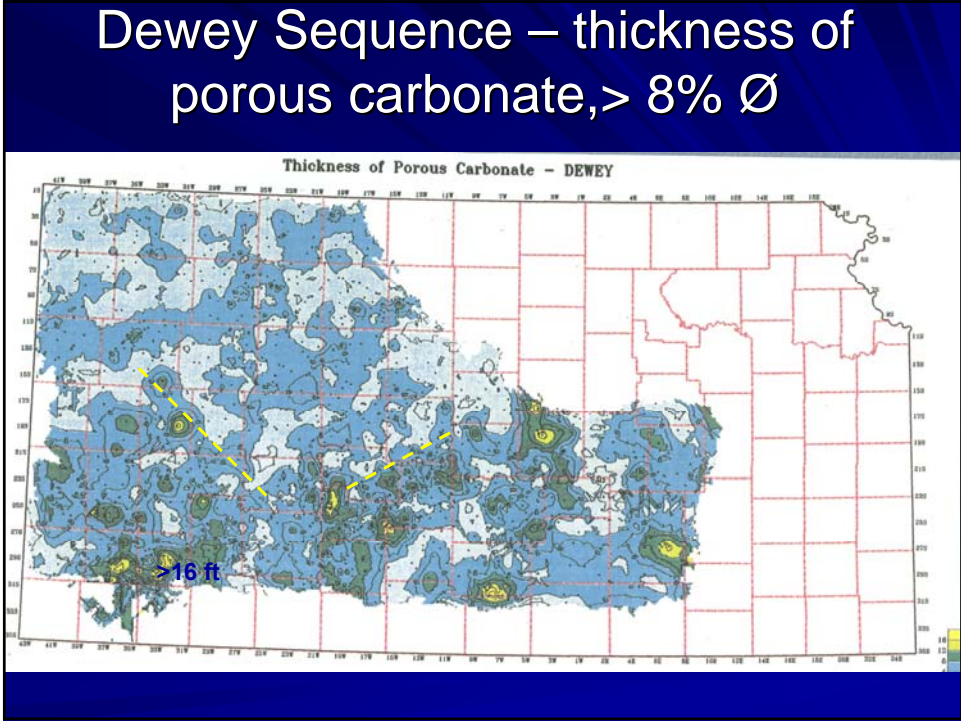
Cherryvale Sequence

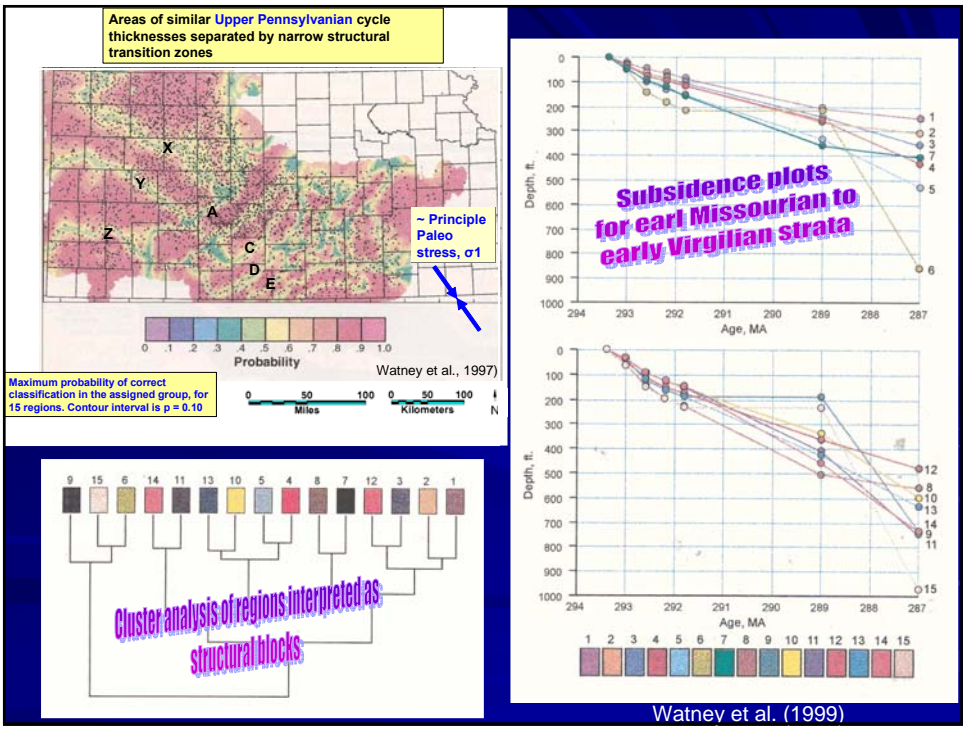
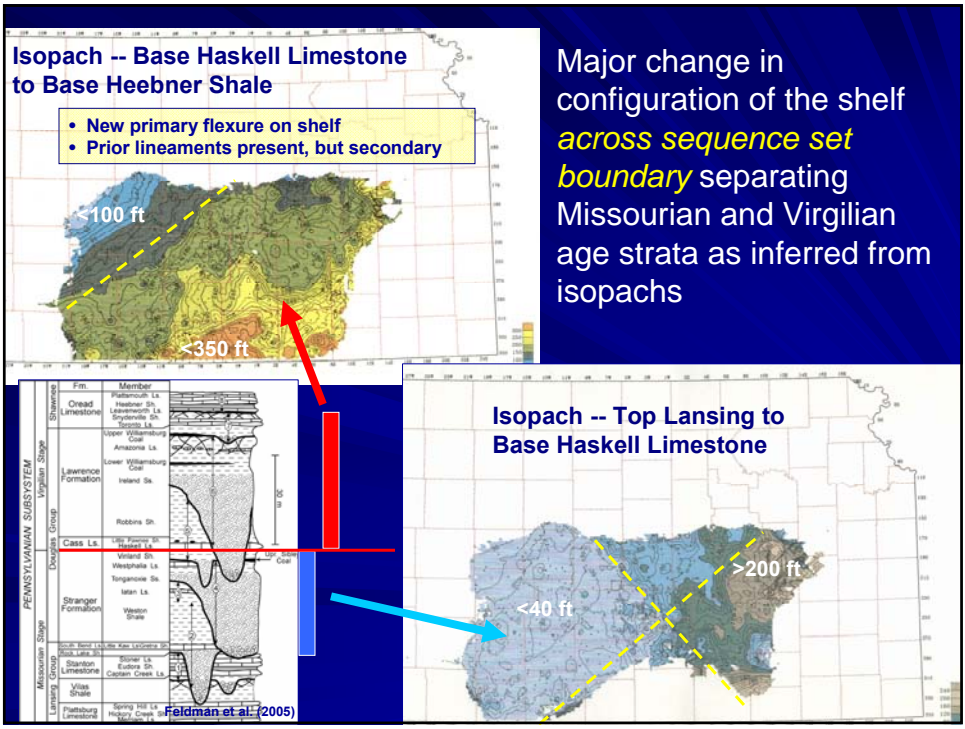


Dewey sequence – Quivira Shale to Muncie Creek Shale

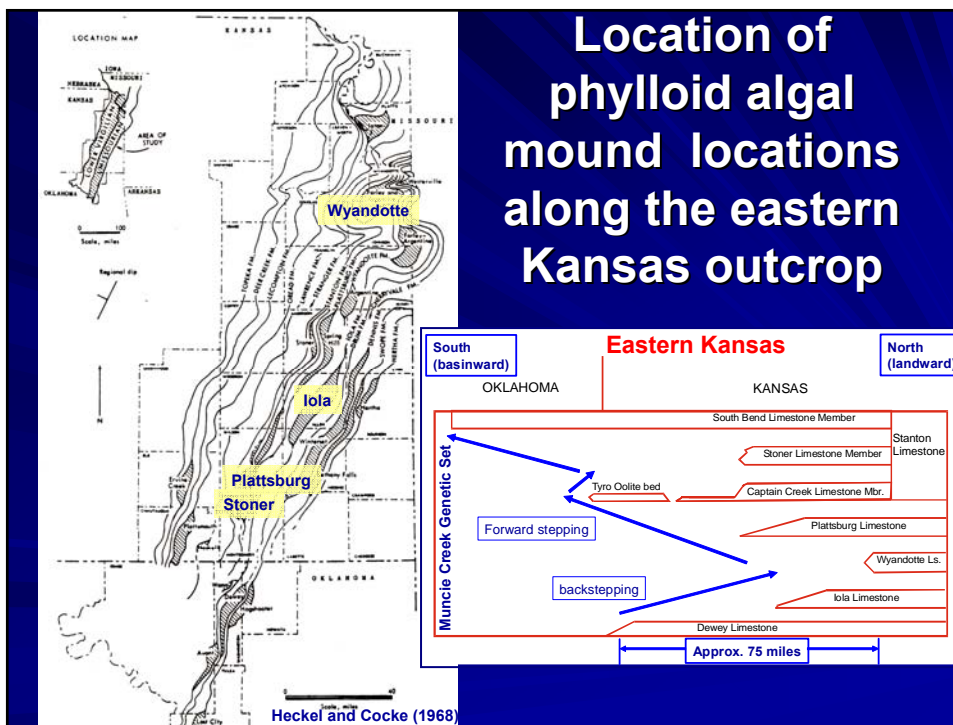
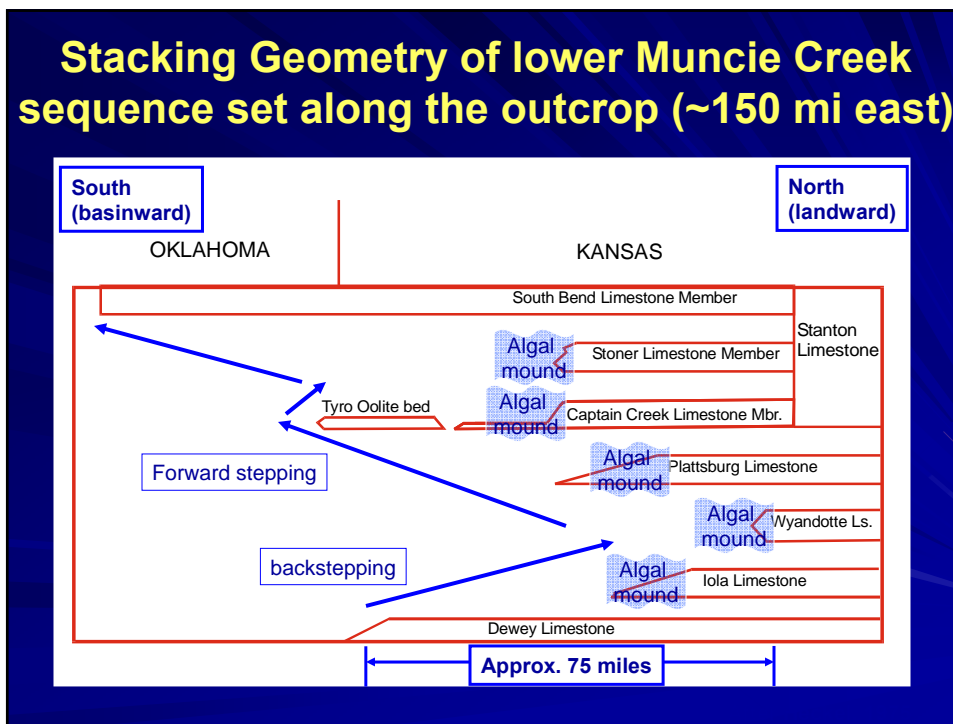


- Generally lower accommodation across shelf except in SE proximal to shelf margin
- Also shelf rather flat and high-energy shoals limited to local shelf flexure

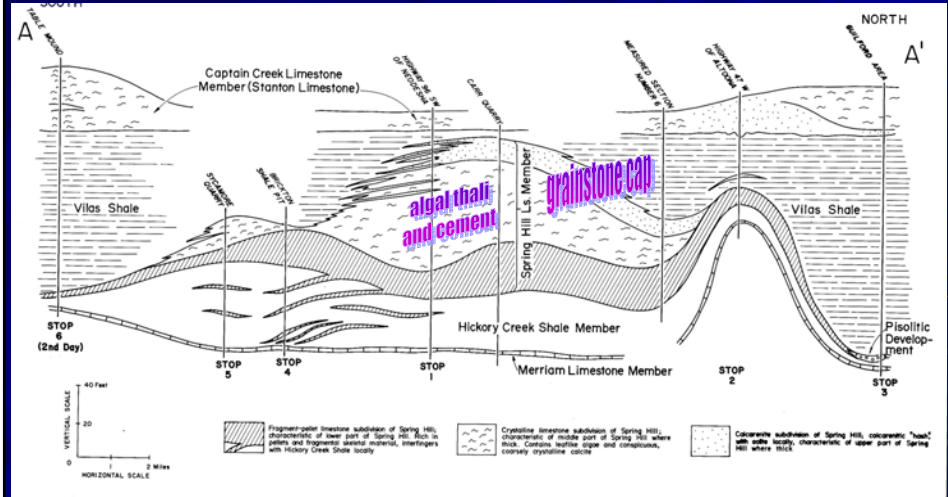




Stacking Geometry of lower Muncie Creek sequence set along the outcrop (~150 mi east)



Plattsburg Bank, SE Kansas



Harbaugh (1959)

K-90 highway cut SW Neodesa, Ks

A) *Archaeolithophyllum* red algal boundstone from 30 ft level

B) *Archaeolithophyllum*-bryozoan boundstone from 30 ft level, intertwined

C) Bryozoan boundstone from 90 ft level

Samankassou and West (2003)

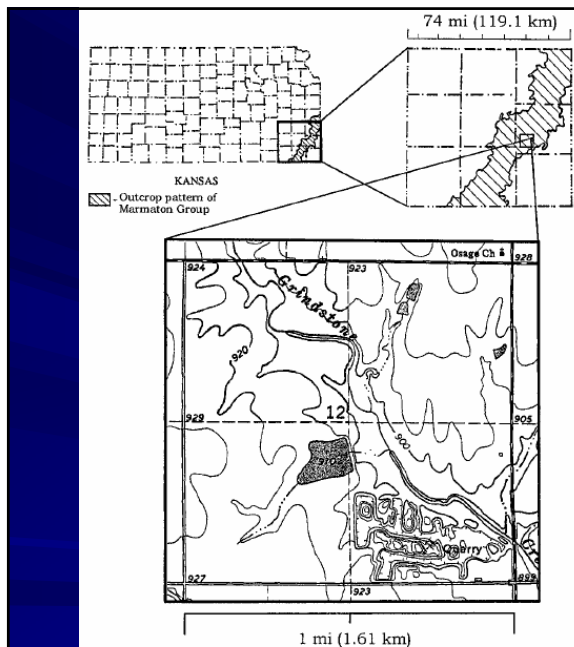


FIGURE 1—Location map. Quarry is in SE 1/4, sec. 12, T30S, R22E, USGS Grindstone Creek 7.5' quadrangle, Crawford County, Kansas (outcrop pattern from Jewett, 1964).

**Parasequences
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 Limestone
 sequence
 (Chaetetid
 buildups on
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 SE Kansas**

Suchy and West (2001)

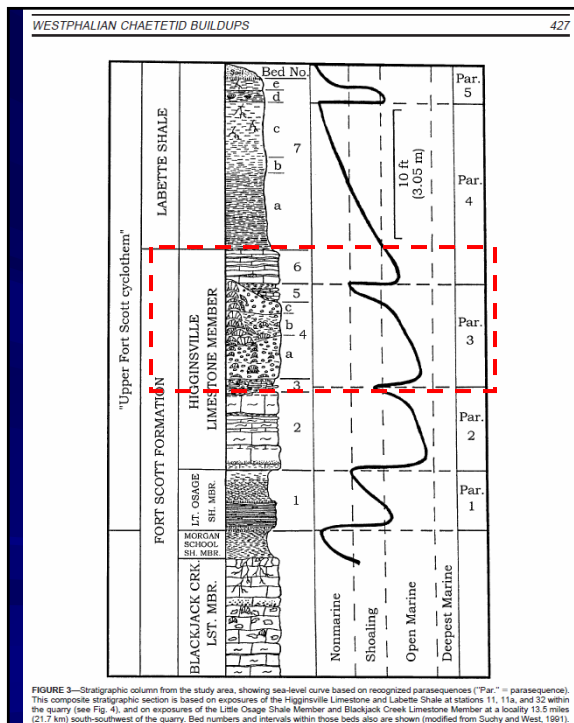
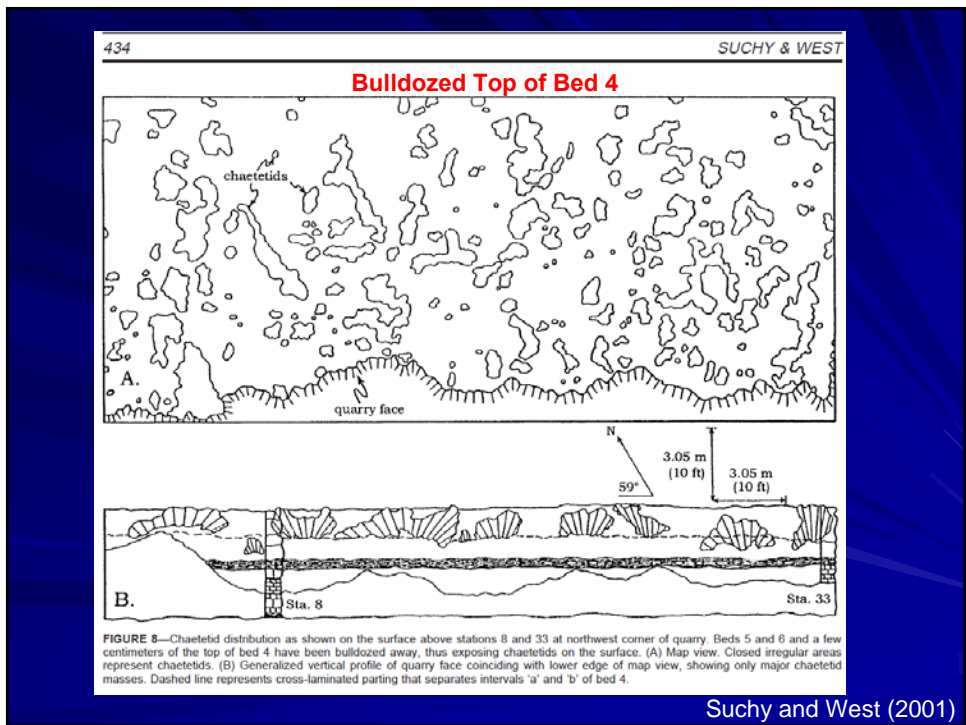
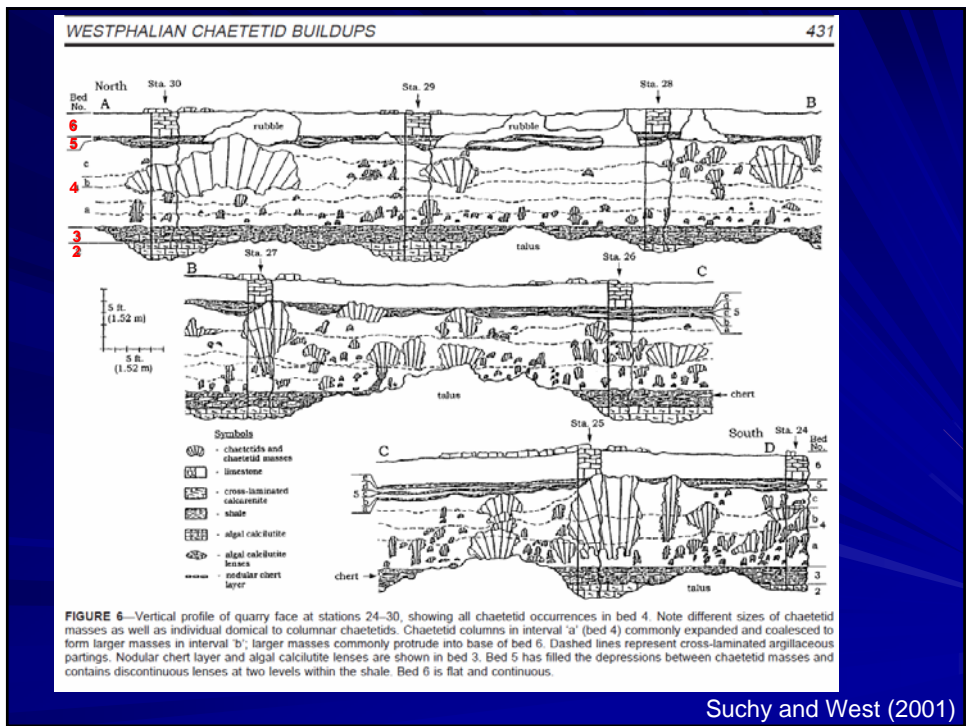


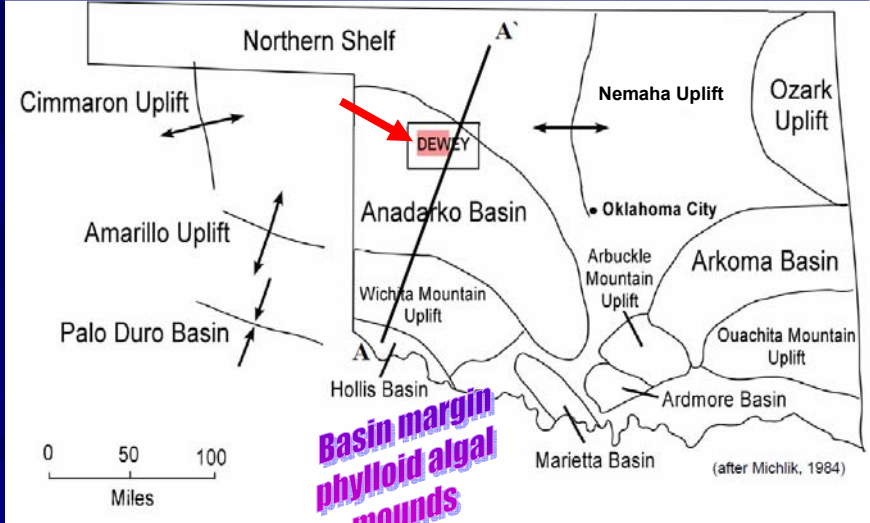
FIGURE 3—Stratigraphic column from the study area, showing sea-level curve based on recognized parasequences ("Par." = parasequence). This composite stratigraphic section is based on exposures of the Higginsville Limestone and Labette Shale at stations 11, 11a, and 32 within the quarry (see Fig. 4), and on exposures of the Little Osage Shale Member and Blackjack Creek Limestone Member at a locality 12.5 miles (20.1 km) south-southwest of the quarry. Bed numbers and intervals within these beds also are shown (modified from Suchy and West, 1991).

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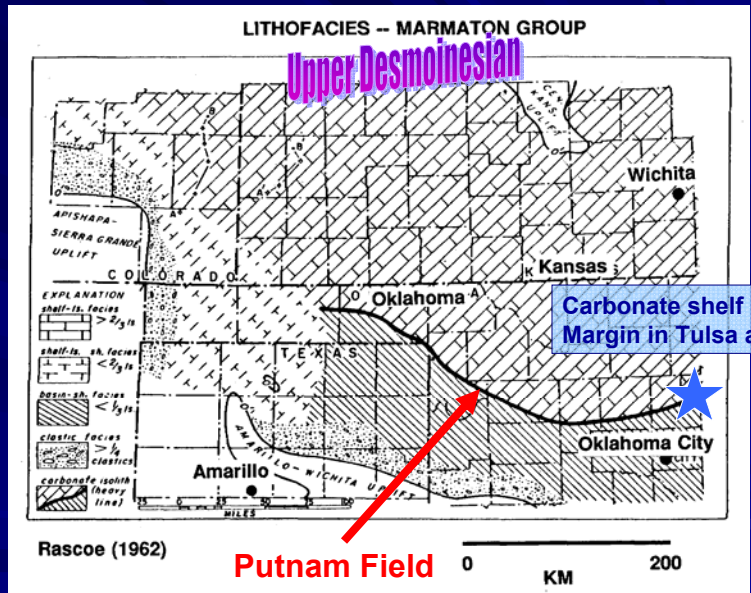
Suchy and West (2001)



Controls on Hydrocarbon Entrapment and Reservoir Distribution: the Pennsylvanian Big Lime and Oswego Limestone in the Putnam Field Area, Anadarko Basin, Oklahoma
 – equivalent in age to shelfal *Chaetetid* mound in SE Kansas



J.R. Geary (2008)

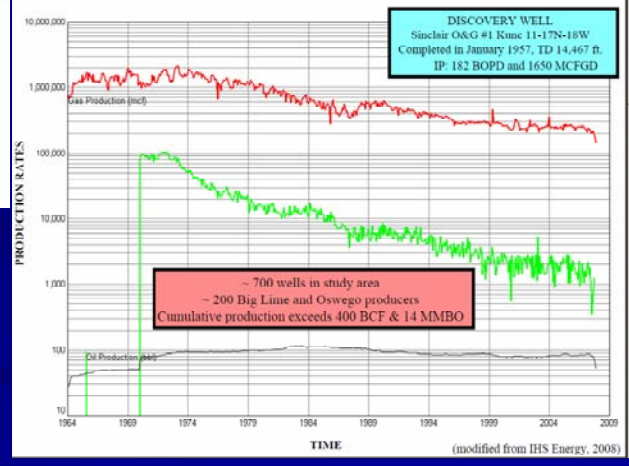


Carbonate shelf and sediment starved basin -- changes in elevation of depositional surface and rate of accumulation

Marmaton has six major sequences in Kansas and are incorporated in two formations at this location

SYSTEM	SERIES	GROUP	FORMATION	
PENNSYLVANIAN	MISSOURIAN	PLEASANTON	CHECKERBOARD	
			CLEVELAND	
			BIG LIME	
		MARMATON	OSWEGO	
			PRUE	
			VERDIGRIS	
	DESMOBIAN	CHEROKEE	SKINNER	
			RED FORK	
			PINK LIME	
			INOLA	

(modified from Derstine, 1989)



(modified from IHS Energy, 2008)

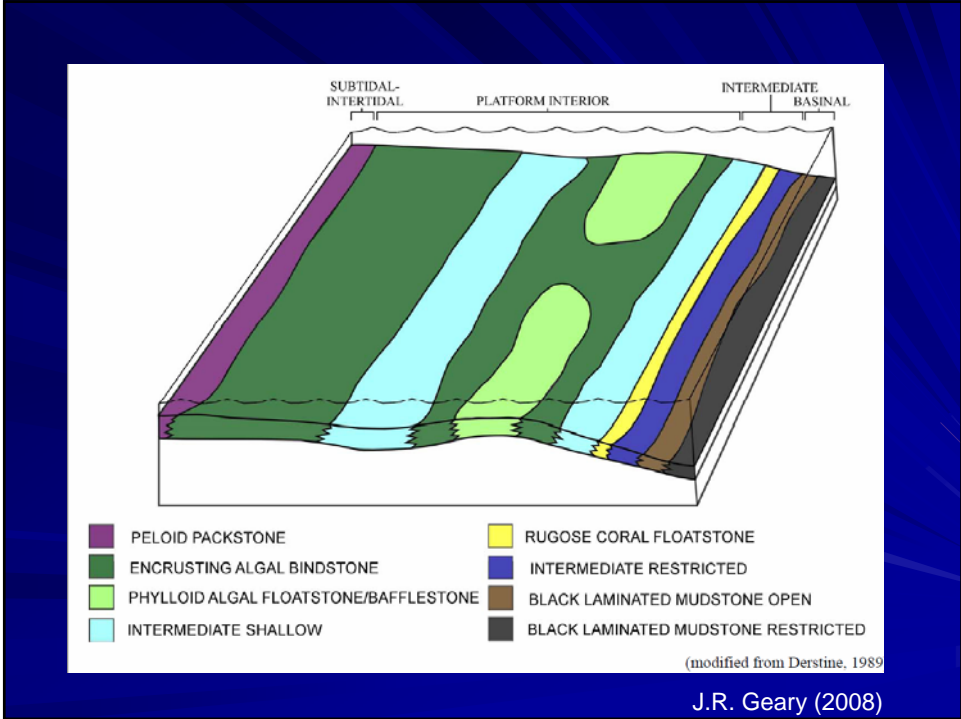
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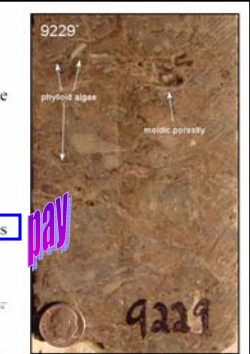


Discovery Information	Parameters	Reservoir Characteristics	Parameters	Production Information	Parameters
Year discovered	1957	Depth to reservoir	8120-9926 feet	Study area	201600 acres, 315 mi ²
Initial producer	1650 MCFD, 182 BOD	Average gross interval	123 feet	Estimated well count	700
Average elevation	1901 feet	Average porosity range	1-10%	Formation value factor	1.697
Oil gravity	43°	Average permeability range	0.01-10 mD	Recovery factor (gas)	0.88
Gas gravity	0.7	Average Sw	30%	Expansion factor	0.0038
Drive mechanism	Gravity			Cumulative production (as of 5/02)	
Reservoir Pressure	4500 psi			Big Lime	239 MBO, 12 Bcf
Reservoir Temperature	160 °F			Oswego	13MMBO, 395 Bcf
Trap	Stratigraphic				

(Brown, 1963; Swanson, 1967; Zagaar, 1965; and IHS Energy)

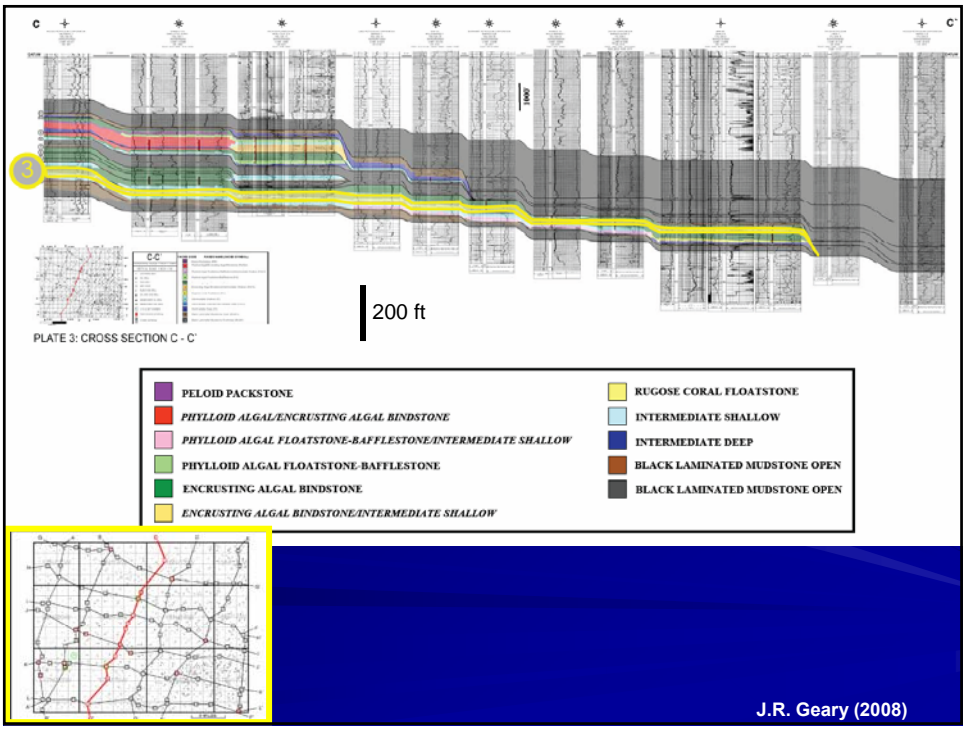
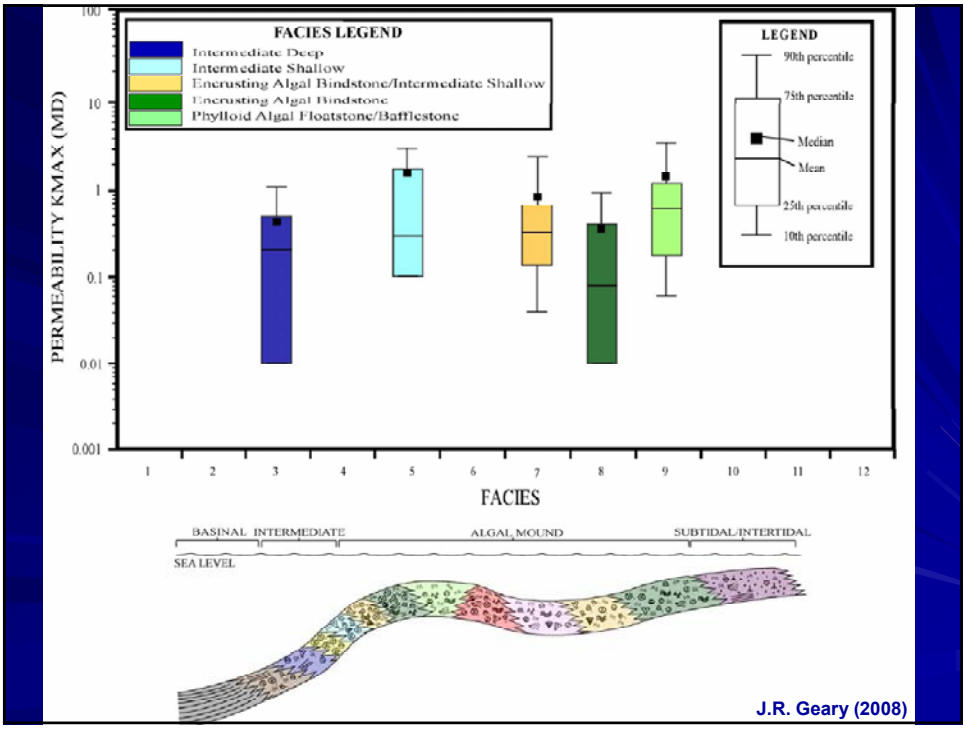


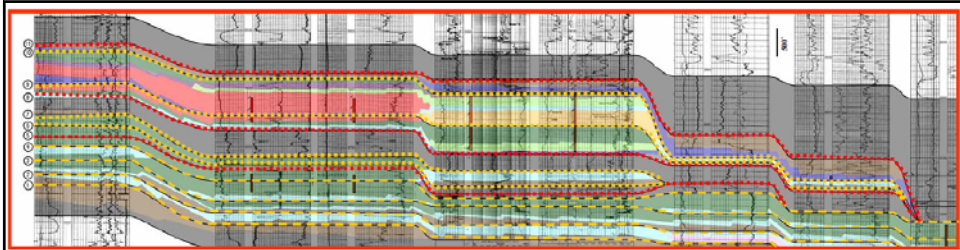
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<p>RUGOSE CORAL FLOATSTONE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dark gray to black rugose coral floatstone Associated within intermediate facies Low energy, open marine environment Crinoid fragments <p><i>nonpay</i></p> 	<p>ENCRUSTING ALGAL BINDSTONE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moderate energy, open-marine platform Structures include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stylolites Geopetals Organic sediment binding Moldic and fracture pore types <p><i>pay</i></p> 
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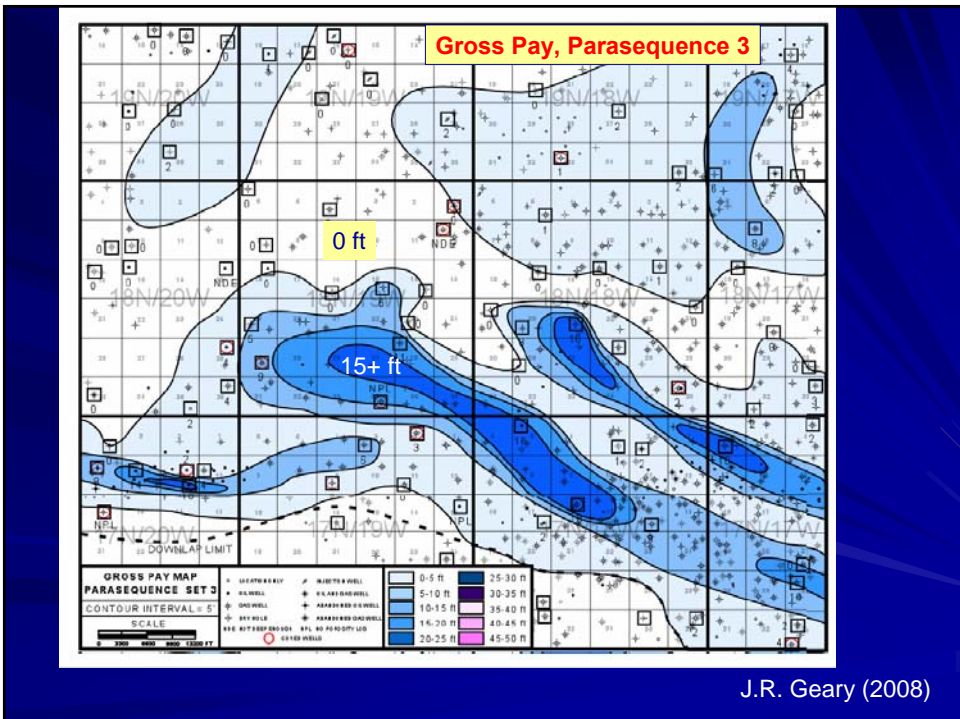
Retrogradational stacking patterns common toward the basin axis and reflect subsidence rates exceeding sedimentation

100 ft

PELOID PACKSTONE	RUGOSE CORAL FLOATSTONE
PHYLLOID ALGAL ENCRUSTING ALGAL BINDSTONE	INTERMEDIATE SHALLOW
PHYLLOID ALGAL FLOATSTONE-BAFFLESTONE INTERMEDIATE SHALLOW	INTERMEDIATE DEEP
PHYLLOID ALGAL FLOATSTONE-BAFFLESTONE	BLACK LAMINATED MUDSTONE OPEN
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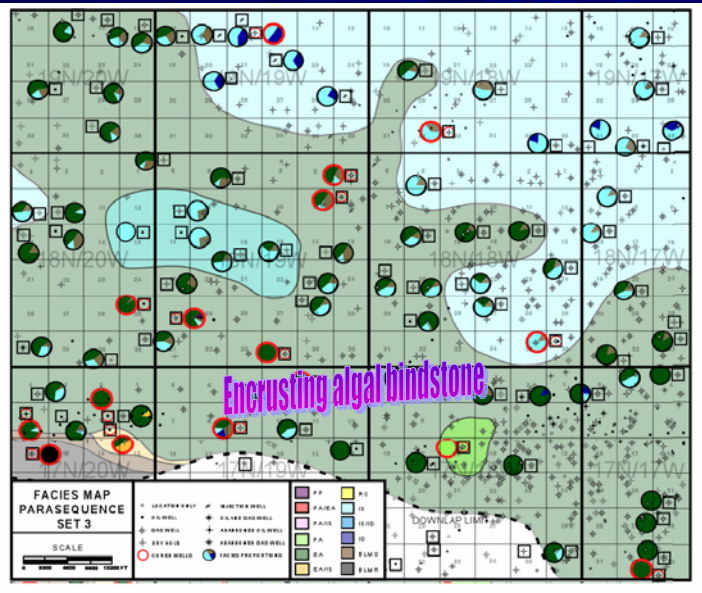
Message: high-frequency stack of lithofacies tied to varying shelf elevation

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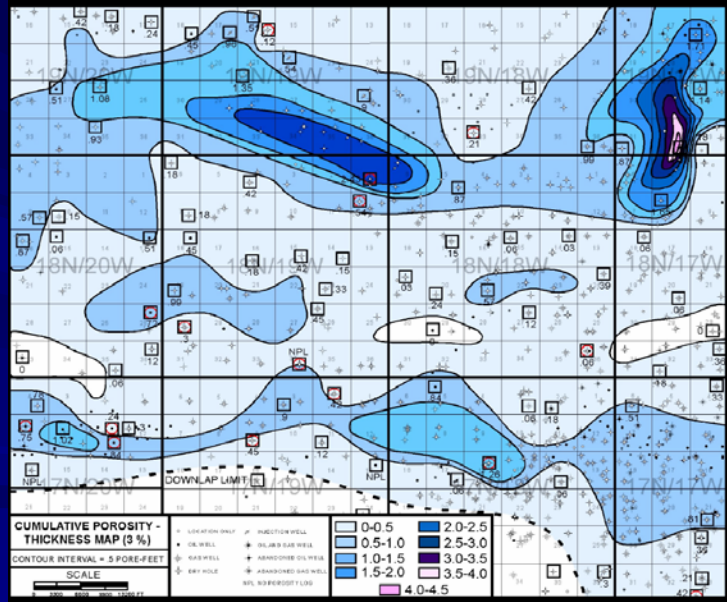


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Prorated production to facies



Cumulative porosity thickness



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Outcrop-based reservoir characterization: A composite phylloid-algal mound, western Orogrande basin (New Mexico) -- Patrick D. Doherty, Gerilyn S. Soreghan, and John P. Castagna

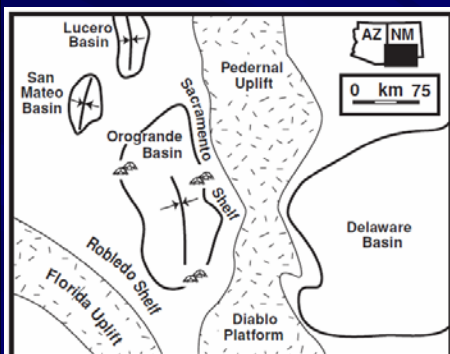


Figure 2. Pennsylvanian–Permian paleogeography of the Orogrande basin showing basins and highlands (stippled). Modified from Algeo et al. (1991) and Soreghan and Giles (1999a).

Doherty et al. (2002)

Western Orogrande Basin

		(San Andres Mountains)
PERMIAN	WOLFCAMPIAN	Abo
		Hueco
		Bursum
PENNSYLVANIAN	VIRGILIAN	Panther Seep
	MISSOURIAN	
	DESMOINESIAN	Lead Camp

basin edge phylloid algal buildups

Figure 3. Pennsylvanian–Permian stratigraphy of the western margin (San Andres Mountains) of the Orogrande basin. Studied mounds are from the Panther Seep Formation and are of middle Virgilian–earliest Wolfcampian age (Kottlowski et al., 1956).

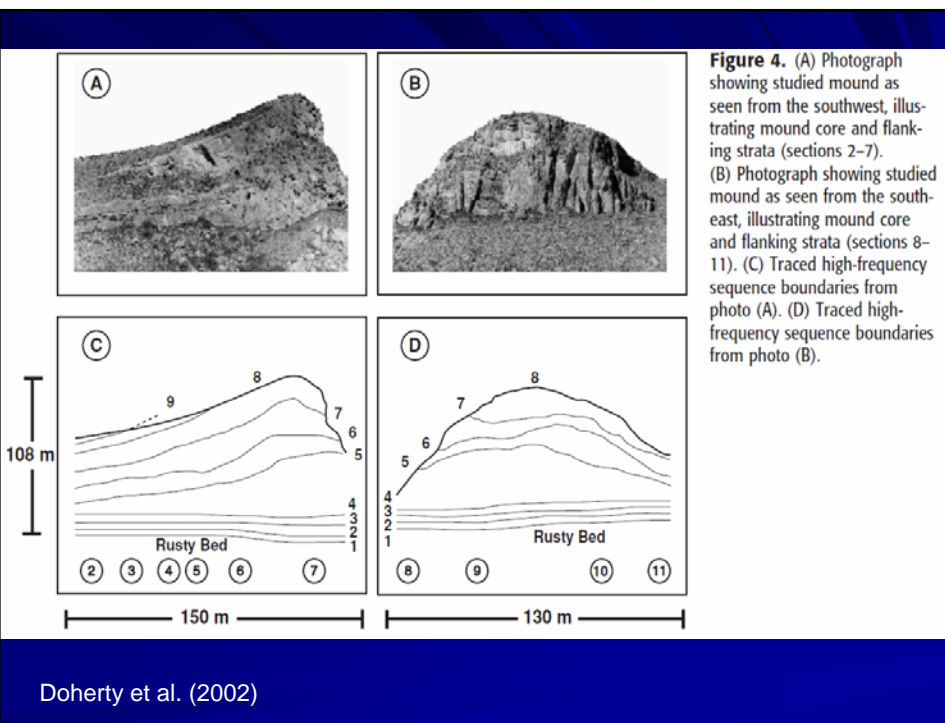
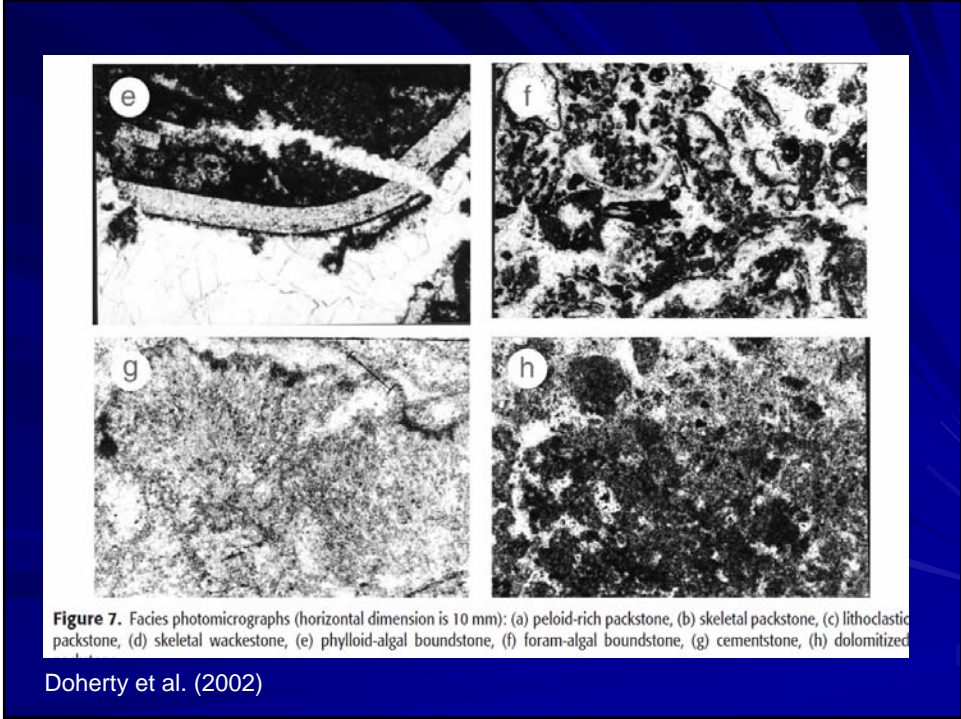
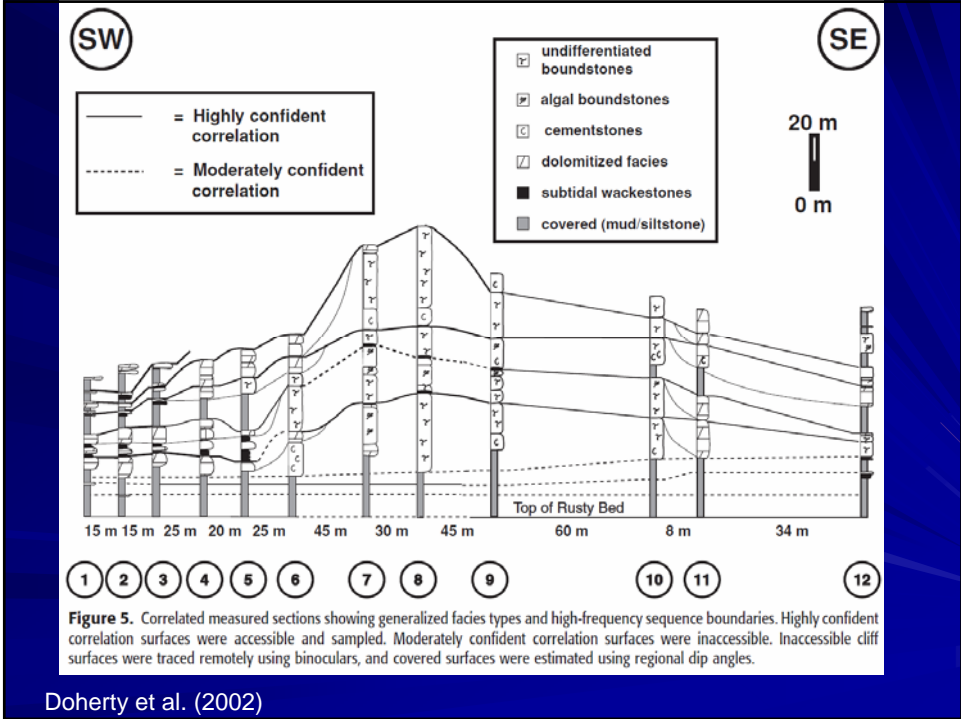
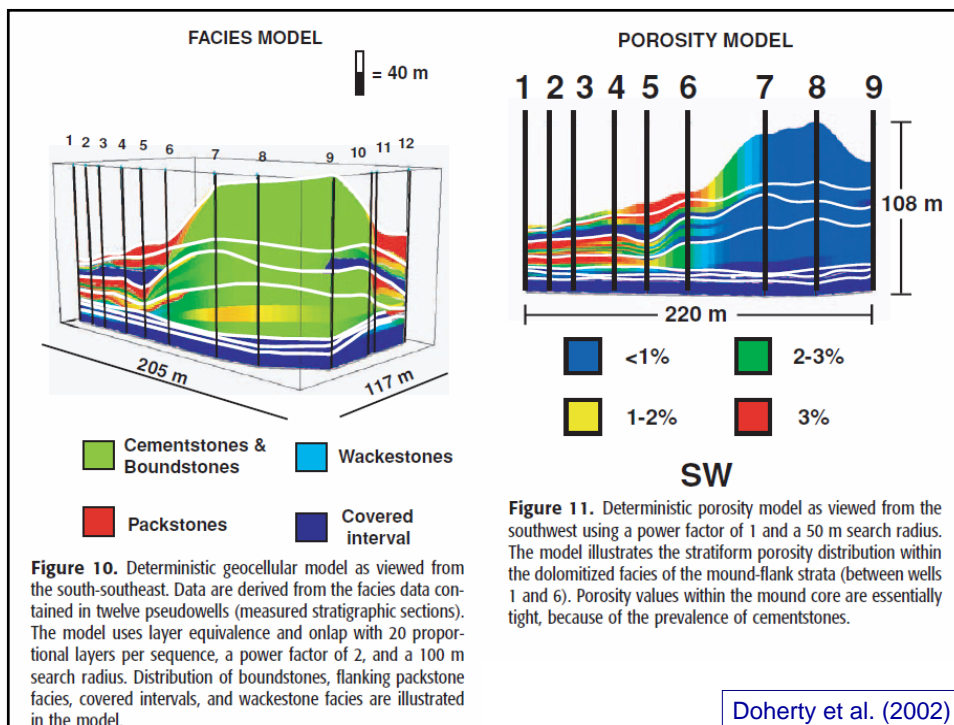
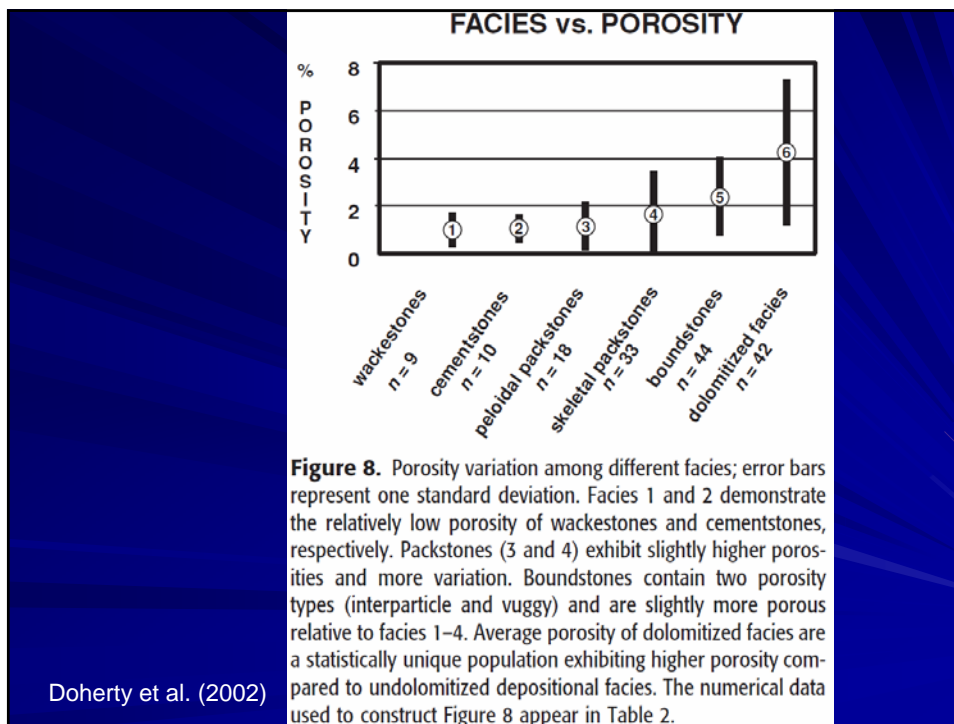
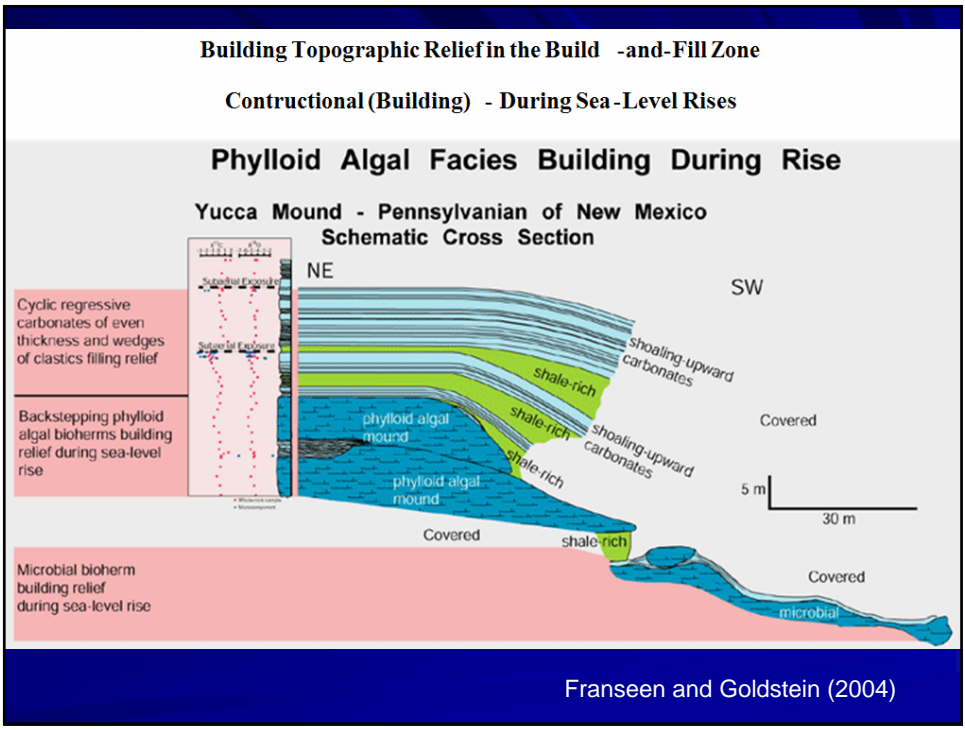
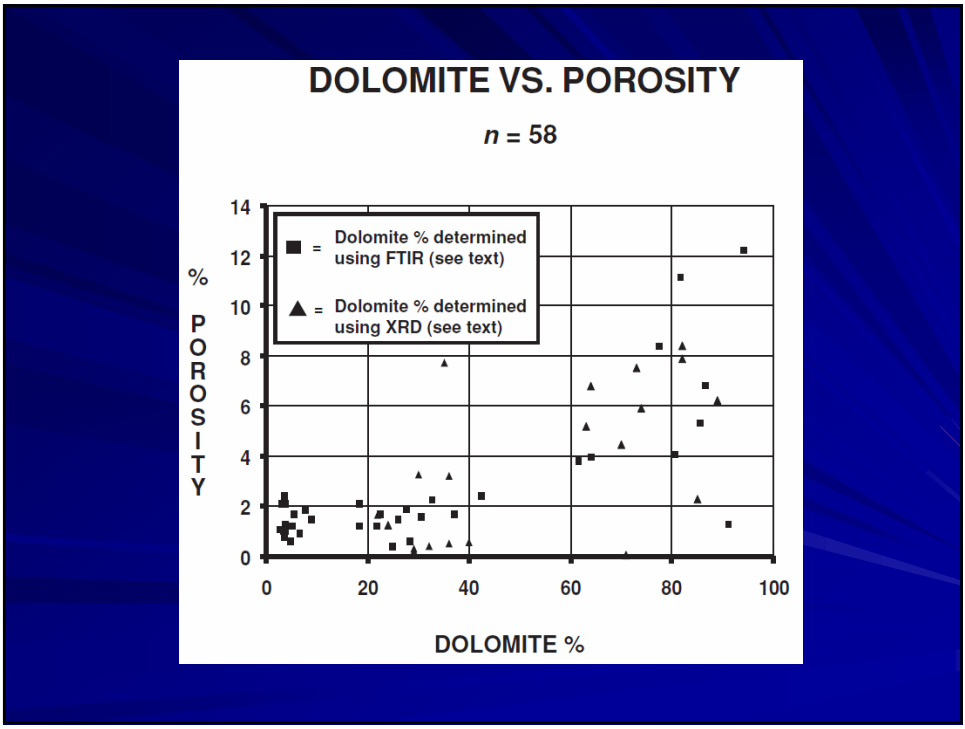


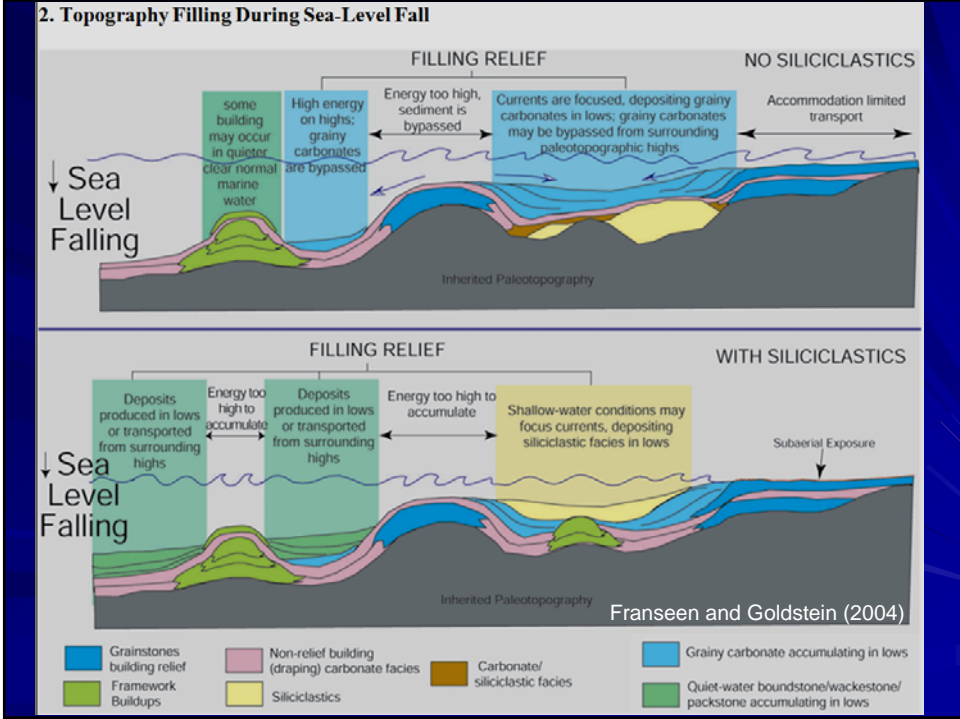
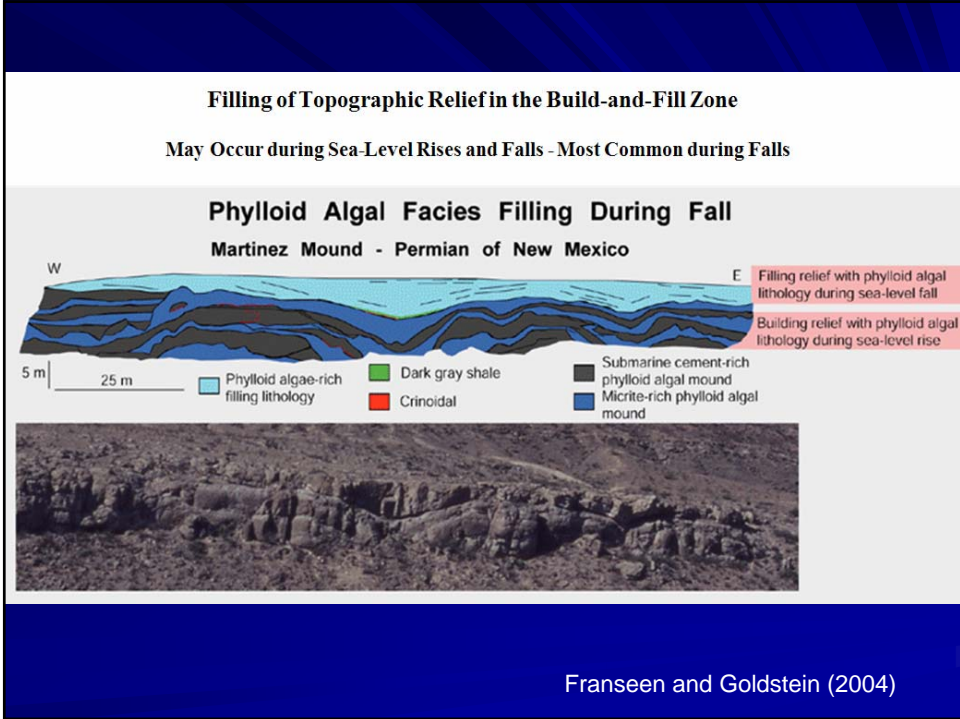
Figure 4. (A) Photograph showing studied mound as seen from the southwest, illustrating mound core and flanking strata (sections 2–7). (B) Photograph showing studied mound as seen from the southeast, illustrating mound core and flanking strata (sections 8–11). (C) Traced high-frequency sequence boundaries from photo (A). (D) Traced high-frequency sequence boundaries from photo (B).

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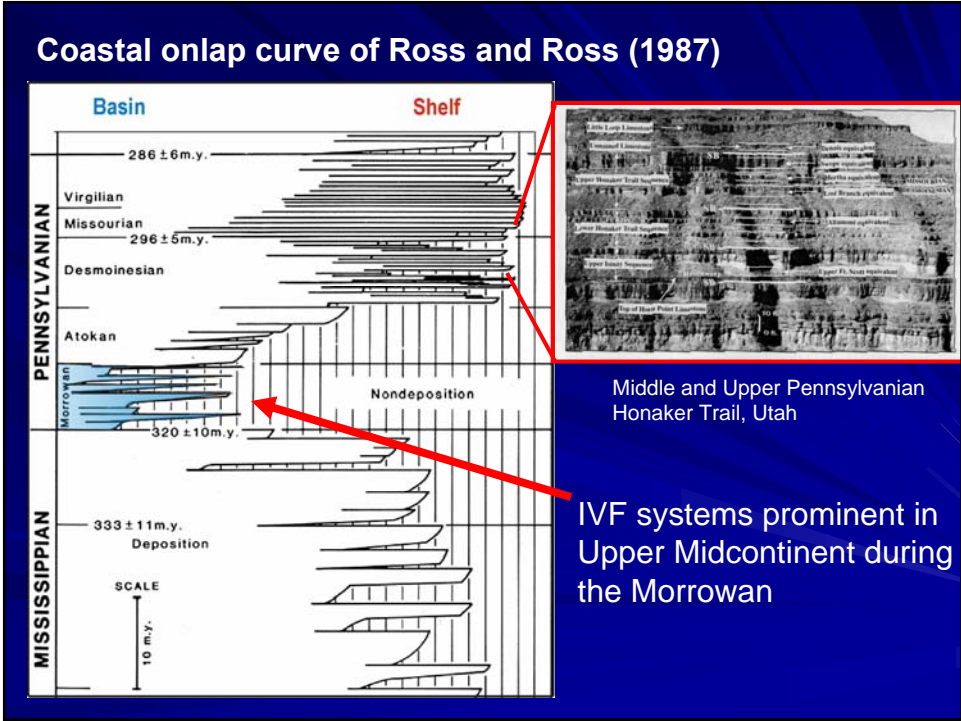








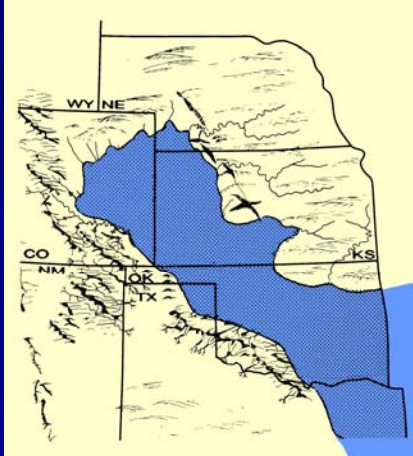
Additional resources for Part 3 – Sequence Stratigraphy



Paleogeography during Morrowan Upper Midcontinent

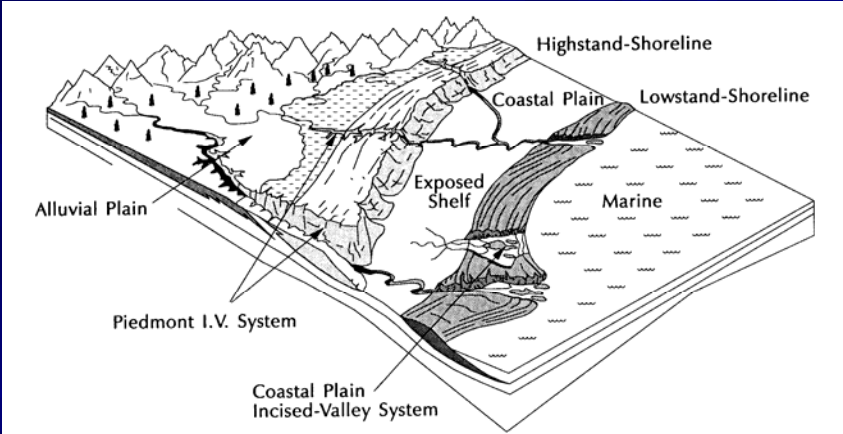
Lowstand exposed shelf incisement

Highstand inundated shelf



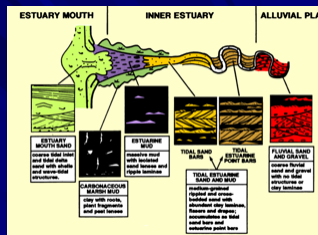
(after Kristinik and Blakeley, 1990)

Coastal zone showing distinction between piedmont and coastal-plain incised valley



From Zaitlin et al. (1994)

Development of incised valley fill system



Processes



rates, duration, magnitudes
(relative to sedimentation)



Responses

Accommodation

Sedimentation

- Erosion
- Deposition
(and autocyclic variations)
 - sediment supply
 - grain size
 - stream discharge

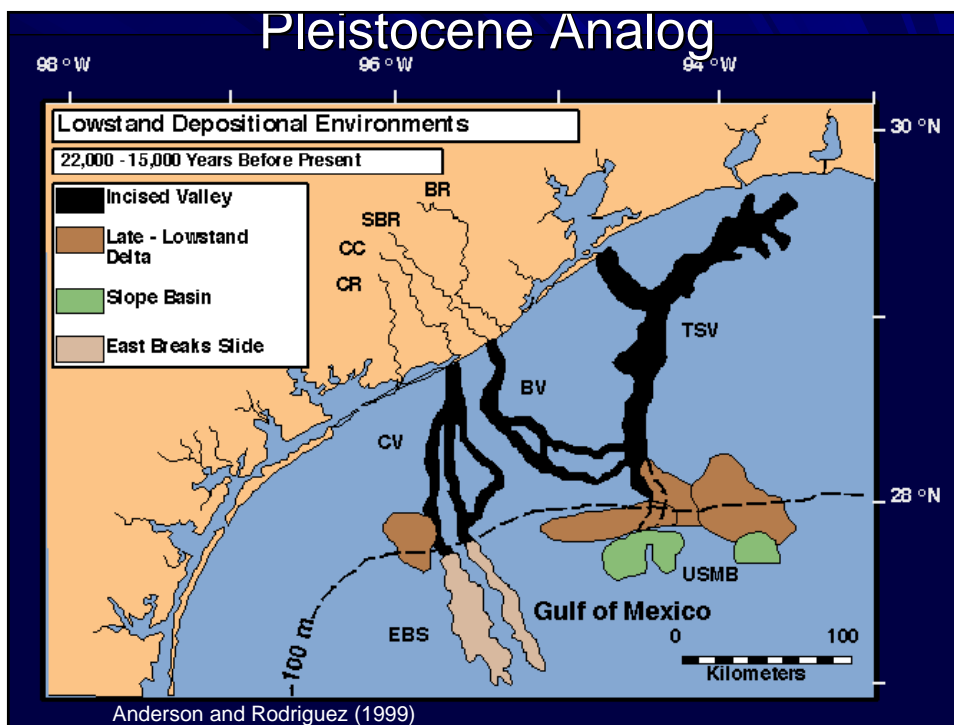
Development and Preservation of IVF Systems

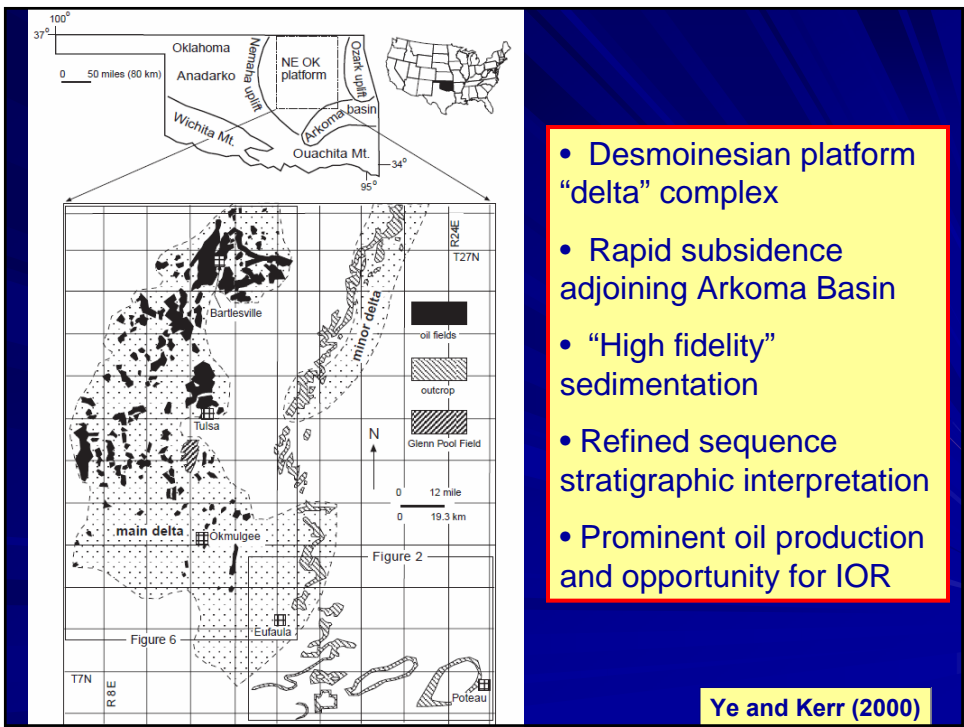
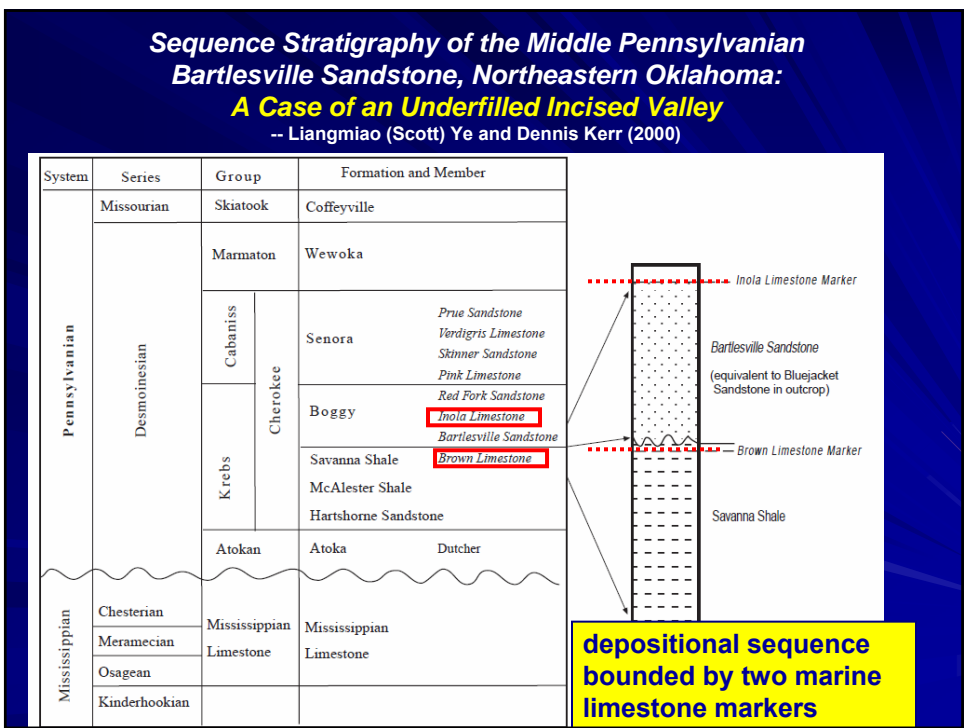
- Why place and time are important

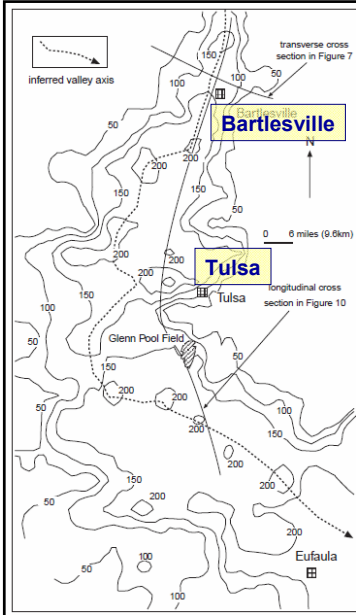
- **Lower, longer stands of relative sea level**
 - more time on shelf to create more extensive incision through drainage network
 - focus drainage to lower, through going portions of shelf
 - subsequent highstand would be larger to cover and preserve IVF's
- **Wetter climate**
 - increased discharge to erode and transport sediment to encourage incision
- **Longer, slower rate of transgression**
 - facilitate nearshore processes to work in "funnel" (tidal ravinement)
- **Basin/uplift geometries**
 - focus stream runoff and increase discharge from hinterland
 - slope changes and knickpoints developed due to differential subsidence and uplift

Depositional sequences and incised valley fill analogs in the Quaternary

- *Duration and magnitude of Quaternary-age eustacy are very similar to the Pennsylvanian:*
 - Eustatic amplitudes are very close...
 - minimum of 80 meters and probably in excess of 100 meters for Upper Pennsylvanian (Soreghan and Giles, 1999; and other authors); compared to ~100 meters dominate for Quaternary.
 - Average duration of eustatic cycles are similar...
 - 143 +/- 64 kiloyears minimum to ~400 kiloyears (Milankovitch eccentricity) for Upper Pennsylvanian and Lower Permian (Rasbury et al., 1998) compared to 100 kilo-years for Late Pleistocene.
- *Good examples Quaternary coastal-plain IVS in literature*



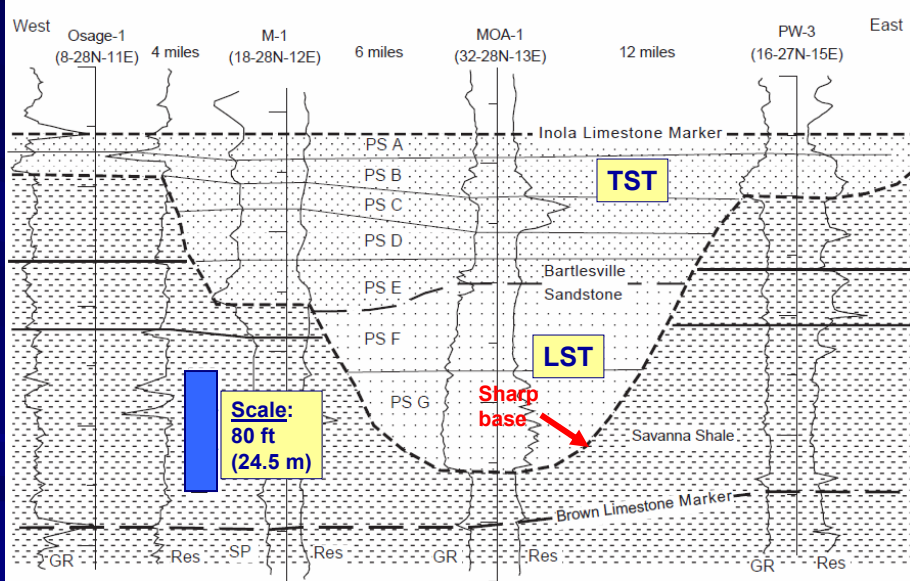




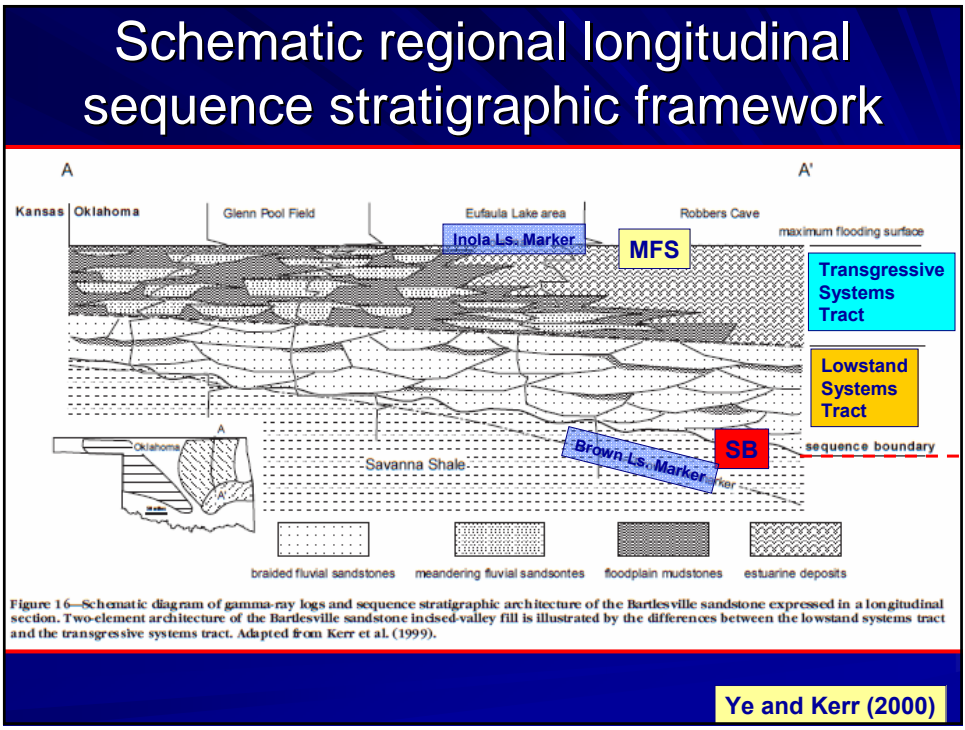
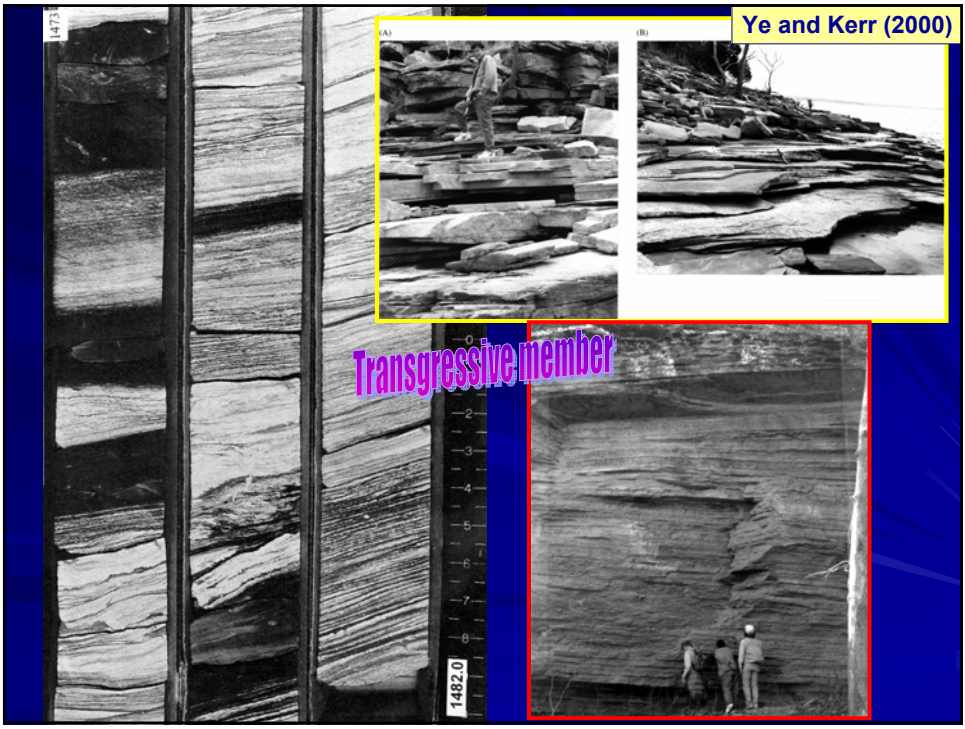
- Regional Bartlesville sandstone gross-interval isopach
- Main fairway from 50 to 250 feet thick
- Large paleovalley

Ye and Kerr (2000)

Regional transverse cross section of Bartlesville incised valley (22+ miles across)



Ye and Kerr (2000)

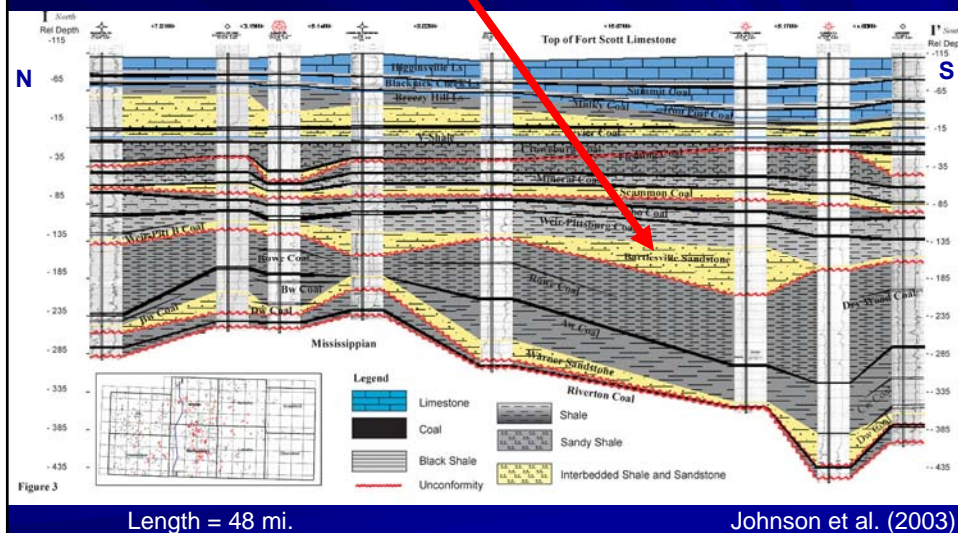


Conclusions

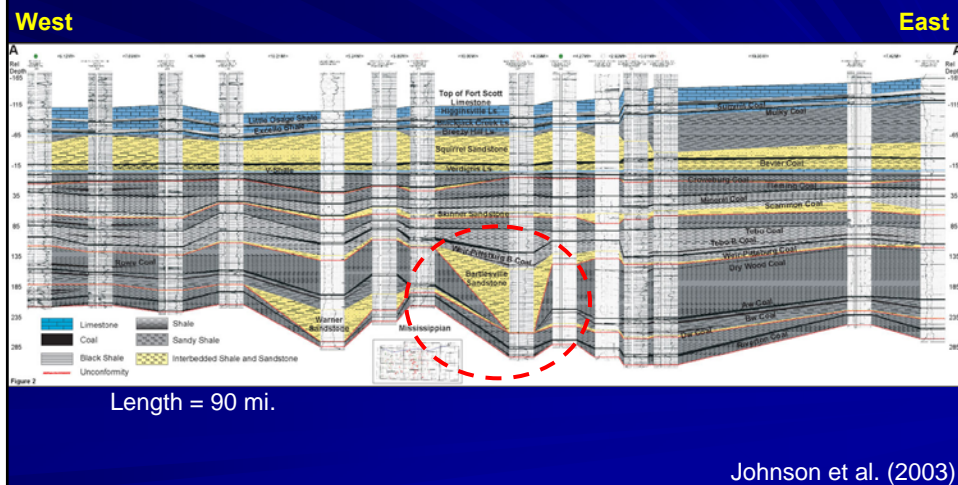
- The Bartlesville sandstone is a fluvial-dominated, incised-valley fill deposited above a type 1 sequence boundary.
- Two sequence architectural elements constitute the valley fill: the lower Bartlesville lowstand systems tract characterized by braided-fluvial deposits, and the upper Bartlesville transgressive systems tract dominated by meandering-fluvial, grading-upward to tidally influenced, meandering-fluvial facies and downvalley to tidally dominated estuarine facies.
- The Inola Limestone Member marker, capping the Bartlesville sandstone interval, represents the condensed section within the type 1 sequence.
- Bartlesville sandstone is an underfilled incised valley the Bartlesville paleovalley was mainly filled during rising stages of relative sea level.
- The Bartlesville sequence stratigraphic architecture has a strong influence on reservoir characteristics and petroleum resource distribution.
- The lowstand systems tract contains high-quality reservoir sandstones that contain about two-thirds of the total original oil in place.
- The transgressive systems tract, which is much more heterogeneous and less developed by comparison, offers the main potential for future development.

Ye and Kerr (2000)

Example of a N-S stratigraphic cross section from SE Kansas shelf, illustrating stratigraphy in equivalent Bartlesville Sandstone interval along higher shelf position



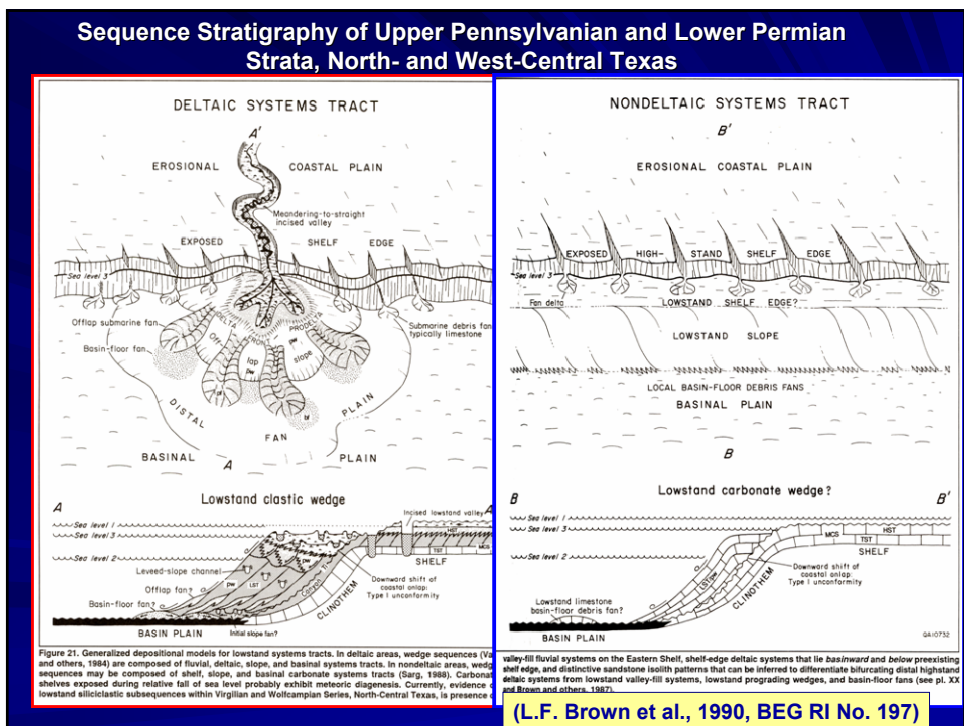
Example of a West-to-east stratigraphic cross section from SE Kansas shelf in same area as previous slide, illustrating stratigraphy in equivalent Bartlesville Sandstone interval



Additional points on incised valley fill (IVF) deposits --

- 1. Excellent analogs for Permo-Pennsylvanian coastal-plain IVF deposits in found in Quaternary strata, e.g. Gulf Coast, Indonesia.
- 2. Incised valleys are common throughout the Midcontinent and the Pennsylvanian.
- 3. Characteristics of IVF vary due to local and regional controls.
- 4. IVF sandstones are important reservoirs.
 - est. 25% of off-structure conventional clastic reservoirs worldwide are IVF (Brown, 1993)





- ## General take home points of sequence stratigraphy section
- Systematic patterns in structure and eustacy and accommodation that they create revealed by stratigraphic response at level of within sequences and sequence sets.
 - Similarly, lithofacies and early diagenetic overprinting are influenced strongly by these processes.
 - Variations in shelf elevation and slope affected by local structure and sediment supply (responding in part to eustacy) dramatically change reservoir characteristics.

PREDICTING SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION OF CRITICAL PORE TYPES AND THEIR INFLUENCE ON RESERVOIR QUALITY, CANYON (PENNSYLVANIAN) REEF RESERVOIR, DIAMOND M FIELD, TEXAS

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Canyon Phylloid Algal Reservoir – Diamond M Field, Horseshoe Atoll

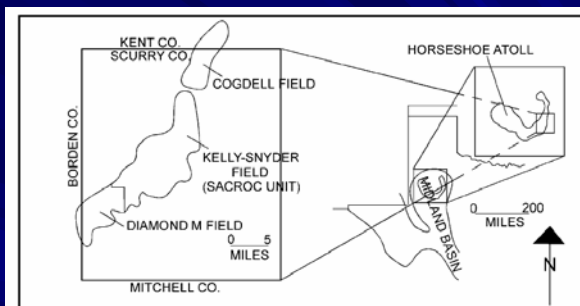


Figure 1. Map of West Texas showing the Horseshoe Atoll

- Three borehole cores, well information including production history, completion reports, geological studies, existing base maps and cross sections
- Gamma ray/neutron logs along with modern gamma-ray, spontaneous potential, caliper, neutron, and litho-density logs
- 500 ft of core taken from three recently drilled wells, core analysis
- Calculated porosity, permeability, water saturation, oil saturation, bulk density, and fluorescence on the three cored wells.

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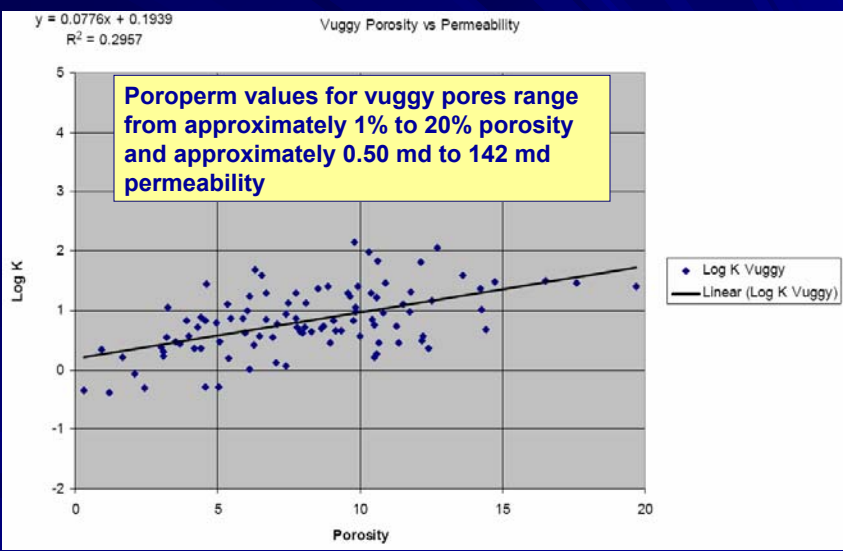
- **Stratigraphic architecture, depositional and diagenetic histories, and resulting reservoir characteristics that have influenced the occurrence, distribution, and quality of flow units in the Diamond M field, Scurry County, Texas.**
- **The study area is located in the Midland Basin. The field has production from the Canyon (Pennsylvanian) Horseshoe Atoll carbonate buildup.**
- **Recent drilling in the Diamond M field was done to evaluate ways to improve recovery by water flooding.**
- **Classification of depositional texture based on detailed petrologic and petrographic studies on three cores was done. Subsequent genetic classification of pore types by thin section petrography revealed three dominant pore types: intramatrix, moldic, and vuggy.**

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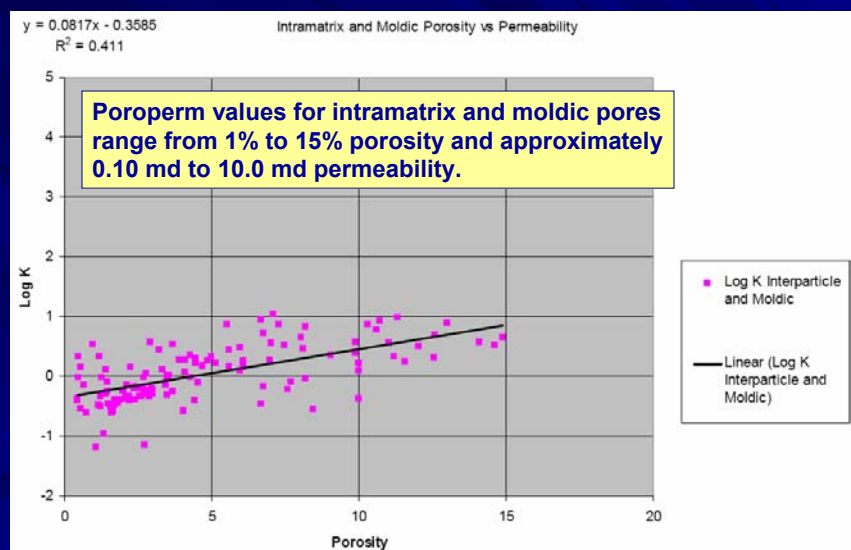
- **The reservoir was zoned according to dominant pore type and log signatures to evaluate correlations at field scale by using neutron logs. Equations determined from core analyses used to estimate porosity and permeability, which were used to develop a ranking scheme for reservoir quality based on good, intermediate, and poor flow units at field scale.**
- **Ultimately slice maps of reservoir quality**

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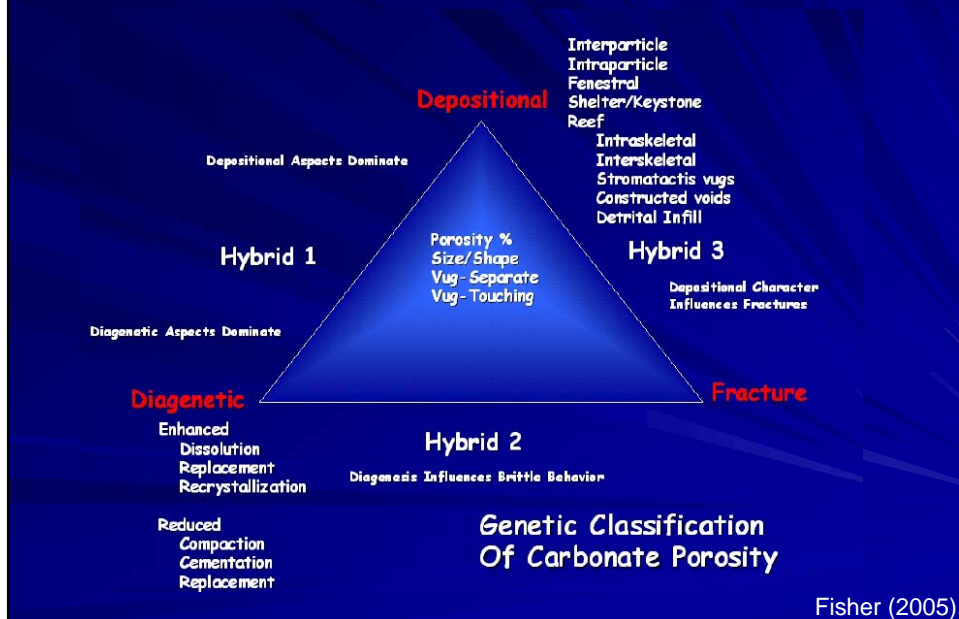
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- These high quality zones correspond to high percentages of vuggy porosity.
- Flow units dominated by intramatrix and moldic porosity.
- Rarely have porosity values greater than 13.3 and permeability values over 10 md.

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Pore classification after Ahr (2005)



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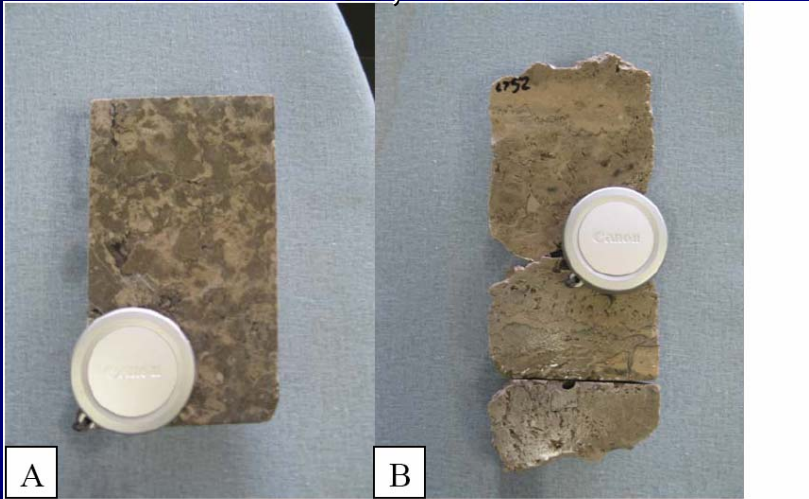


Figure A-1. A) Core photo taken from Jade # 1 @ 6,848' representing Reef Facies 1. B) Core photo taken from Topaz # 1 @ 6,752' representing Reef Facies 2 as well as abundant vuggy porosity.

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Diamond M Porosity Slice Map 0 to 10 ft below Top of Reef

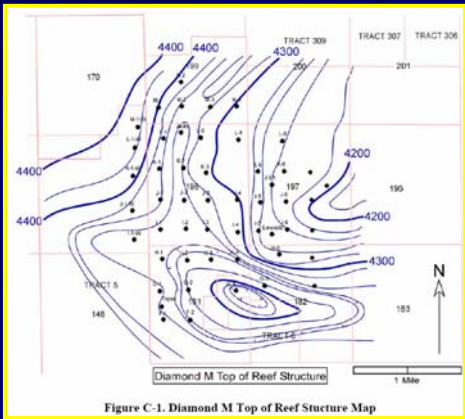
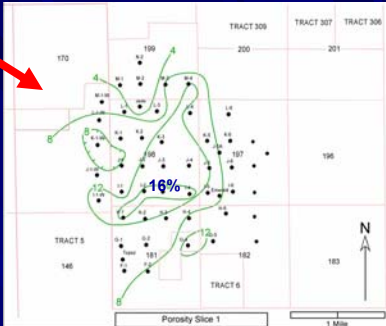
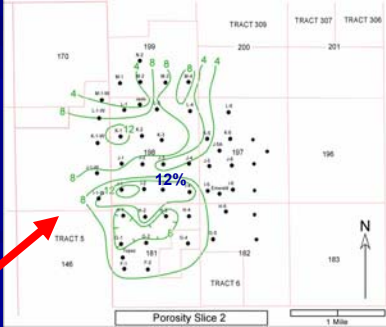


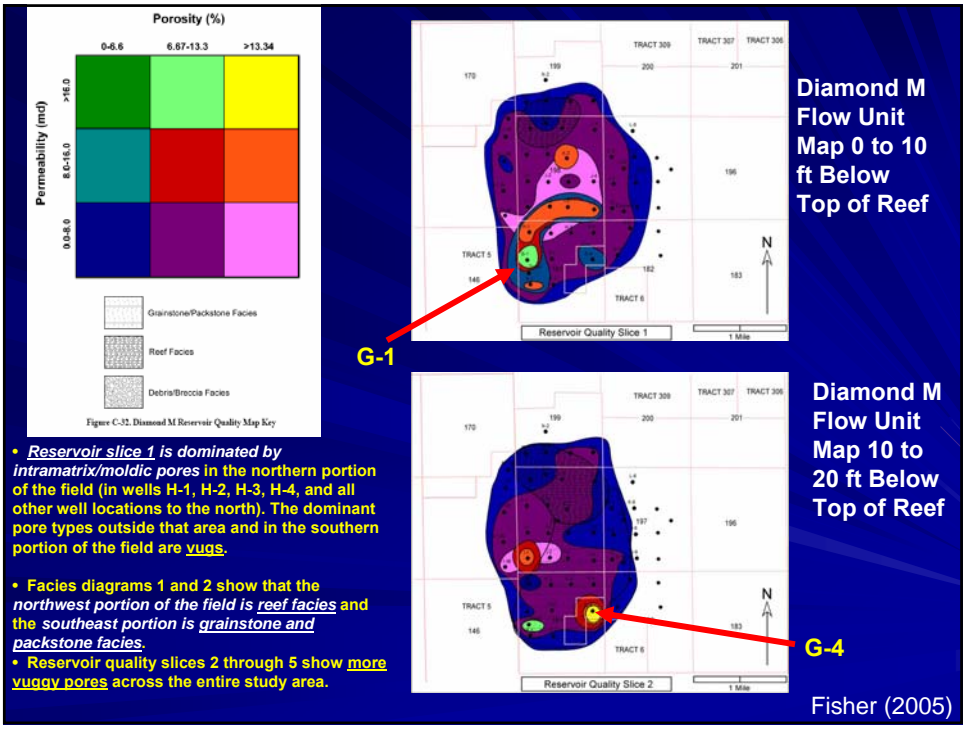
Figure C-1. Diamond M Top of Reef Structure Map



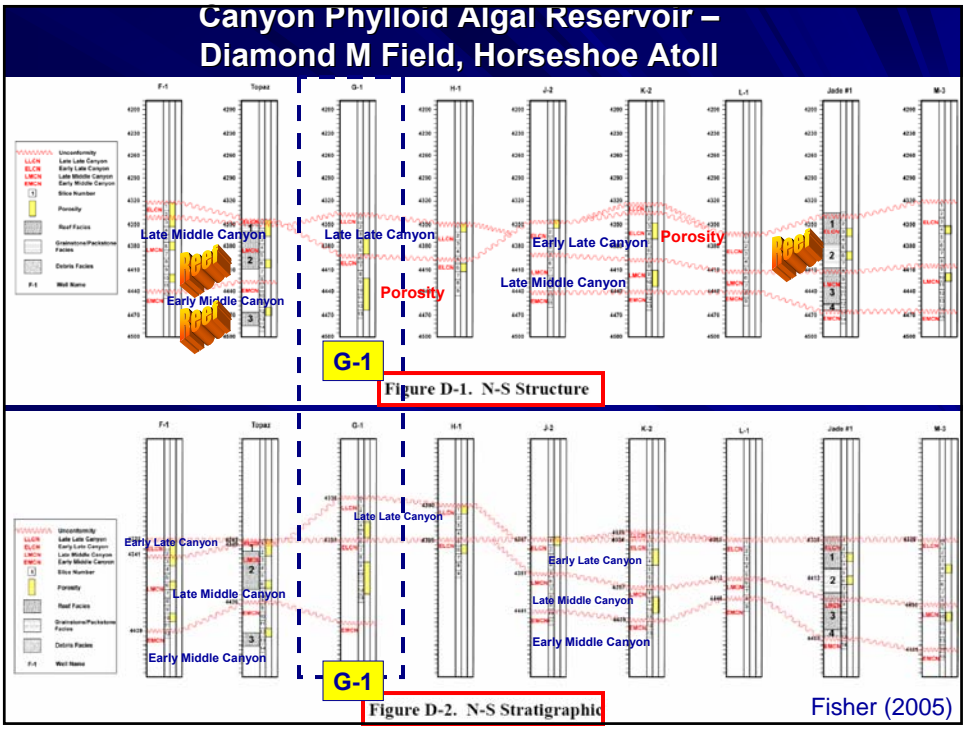
Diamond M Porosity Slice Map 10 to 20 ft below Top of Reef



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- Reservoir slice 1 is dominated by intramatrix/moldic pores in the northern portion of the field (in wells H-1, H-2, H-3, H-4, and all other well locations to the north). The dominant pore types outside that area and in the southern portion of the field are vugs.
- Facies diagrams 1 and 2 show that the northwest portion of the field is reef facies and the southeast portion is grainstone and packstone facies.
- Reservoir quality slices 2 through 5 show more vuggy pores across the entire study area.



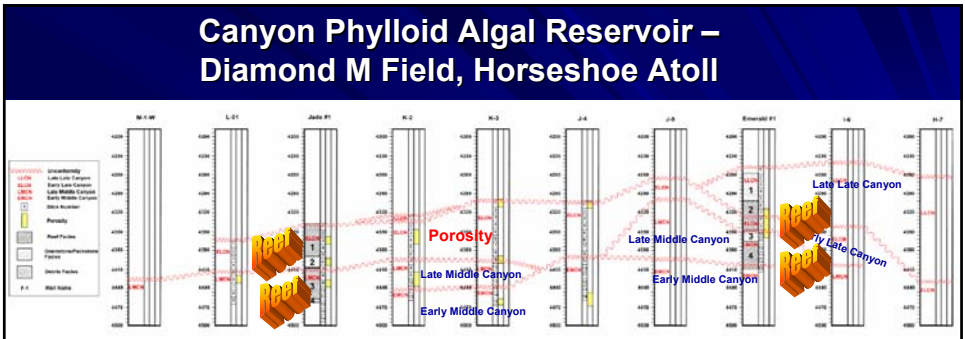


Figure D-3. NW-SE Structure

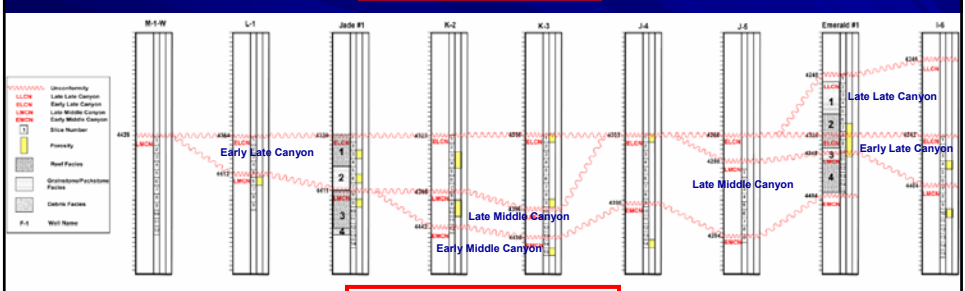


Figure D-4. NW-SE Stratigraphic

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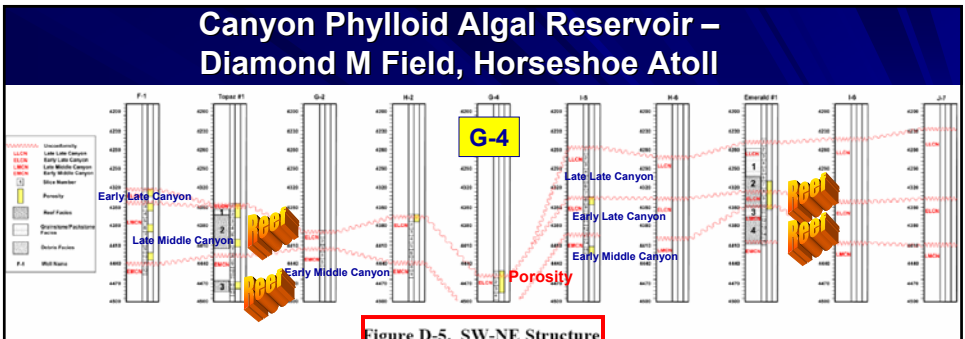


Figure D-5. SW-NE Structure

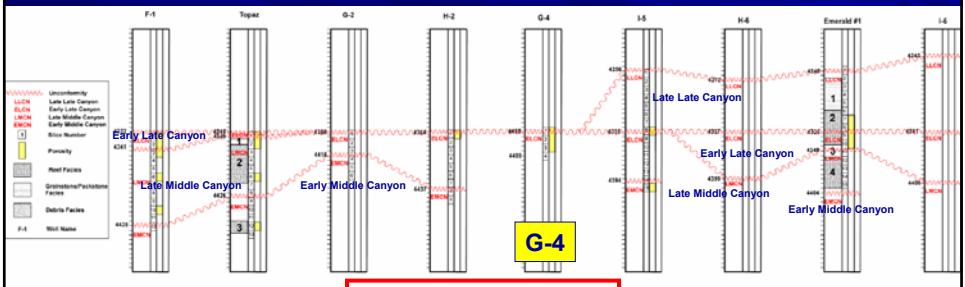


Figure D-6. SW-NE Stratigraphic

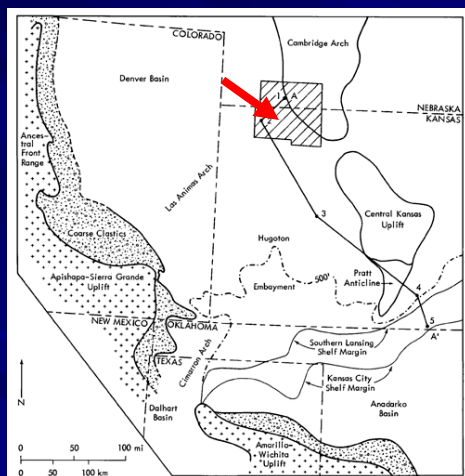
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Conclusions

- Diamond M Field produces from a diagenetically altered depositional pore system (hybrid porosity) in a *micritic, platy algal, skeletal wackestones to grainstone reservoir*.
- Pore types can be identified in thin section and correlated across the field, resulting in detailed reservoir quality maps.
- Pore types (V, SEIM, and M) are readily identifiable in thin section and can be *correlated across the field using poroperm values and neutron log traces*.
- Methods used in the study may be *applied to other West Texas Paleozoic reef fields with similar depositional and diagenetic characteristics*.
- Core material should be taken from future wells to aid in identifying reservoir quality.

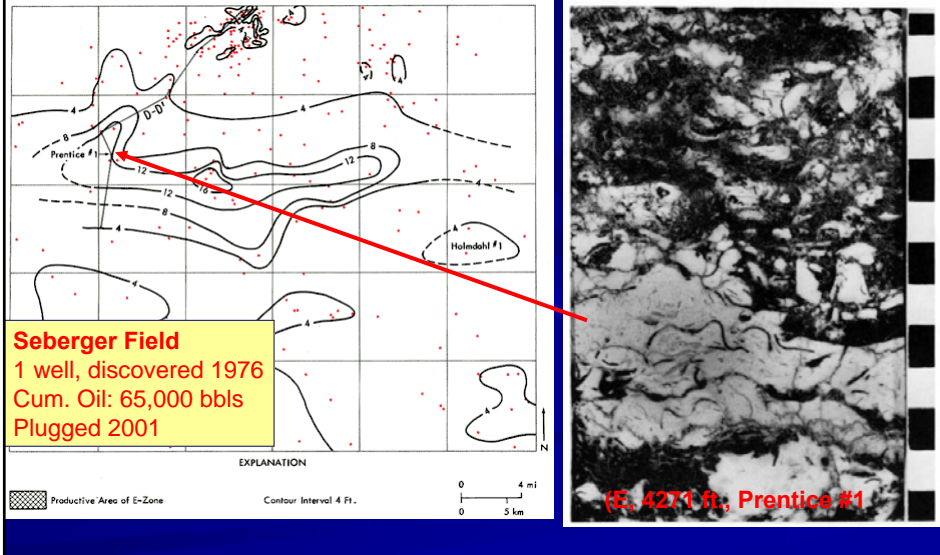
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Field producing from the phylloid algal mound lithofacies from the Plattsburg Limestone in Northwest Kansas – **upper shelf, thin buildups, intensely subaerially exposed**

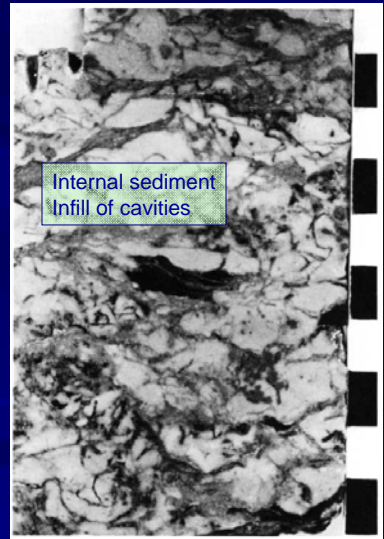


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WABAUNSEE	VIRGILIAN	UPPER PENNSYLVANIAN
SHAWNEE		
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MARMATON		
CHEROKEE		

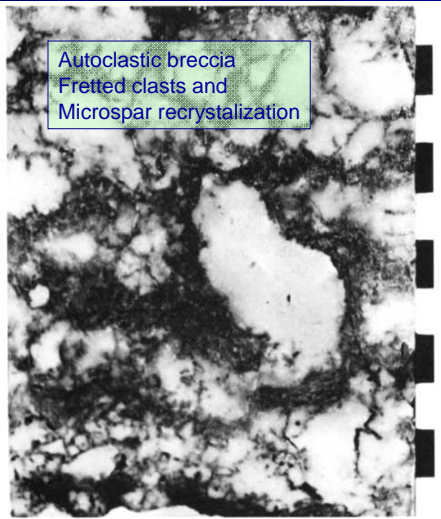
Transgressive phylloid algal mounds
 Plattsburg sequence – thin, vugs and
 microspar



Plattsburg Limestone
 Phylloid Algal Mounds

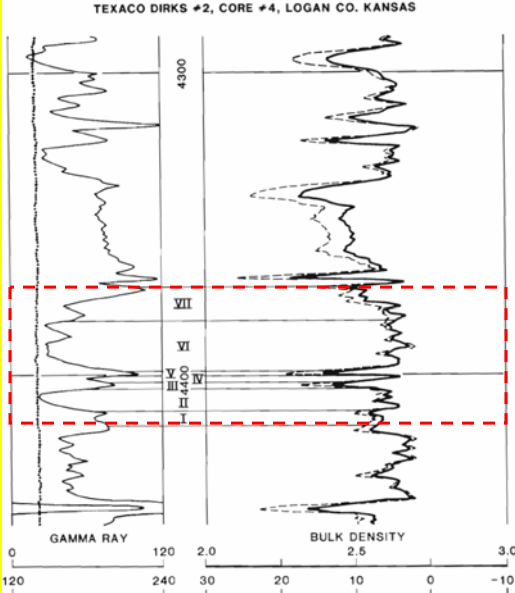
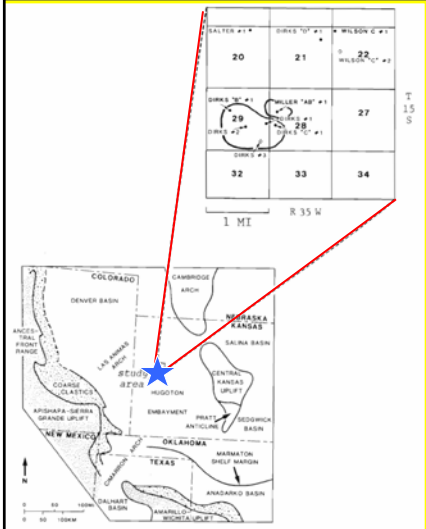


D, 4249 to 4250 ft., Prentice #1



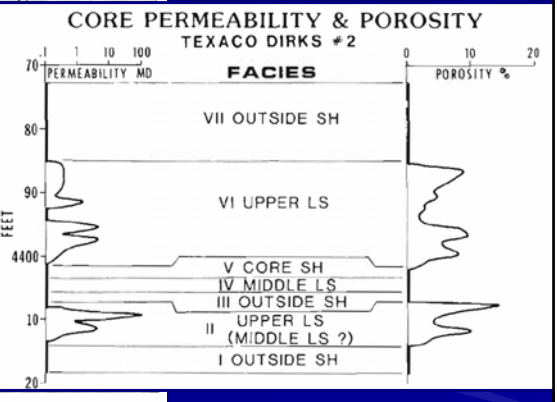
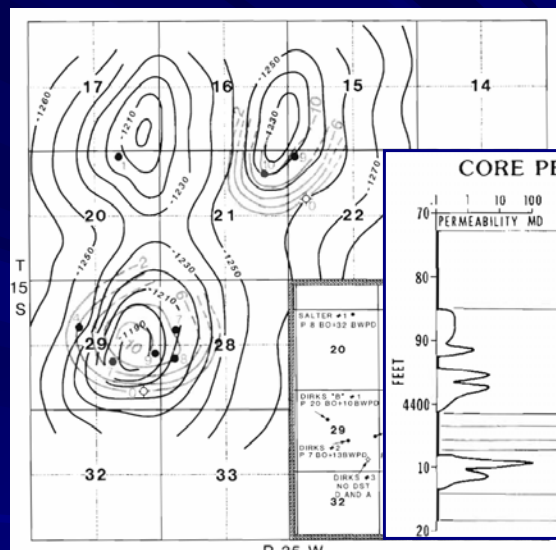
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Chaetetid Mound, upper shelf, Marmaton (Upper Desmoinesian) Altamont and Lenepah Limestones



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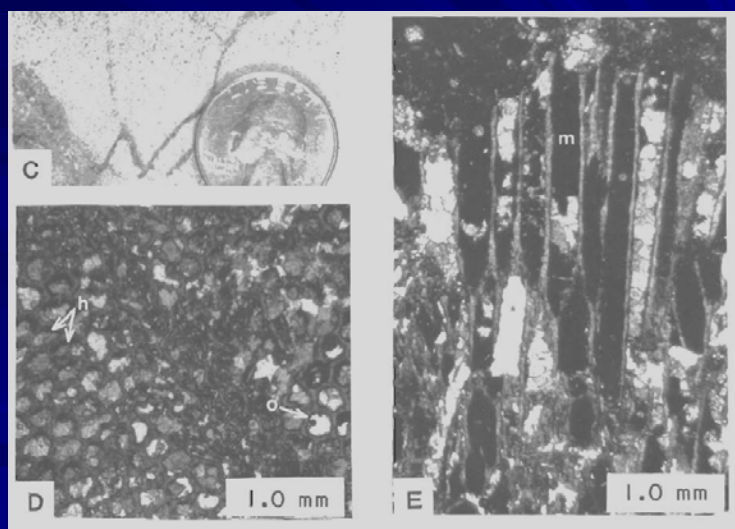
Dirks Field, Kansas



Disc. 1981,
cumulative oil: 198,000 bbls

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Moldic porosity in Chaetetids in western Kansas Marmaton Group oil reservoir



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