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Evaluation of CO₂ Geological Storage Capacity in the Paleozoic Formations of the Ordos Basin, China

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Motivations

The Shenhua Group, China's biggest coal producer, is planning to launch the CCS project for its modern DCL plant which produces CO₂ 3.67Mt/yr.



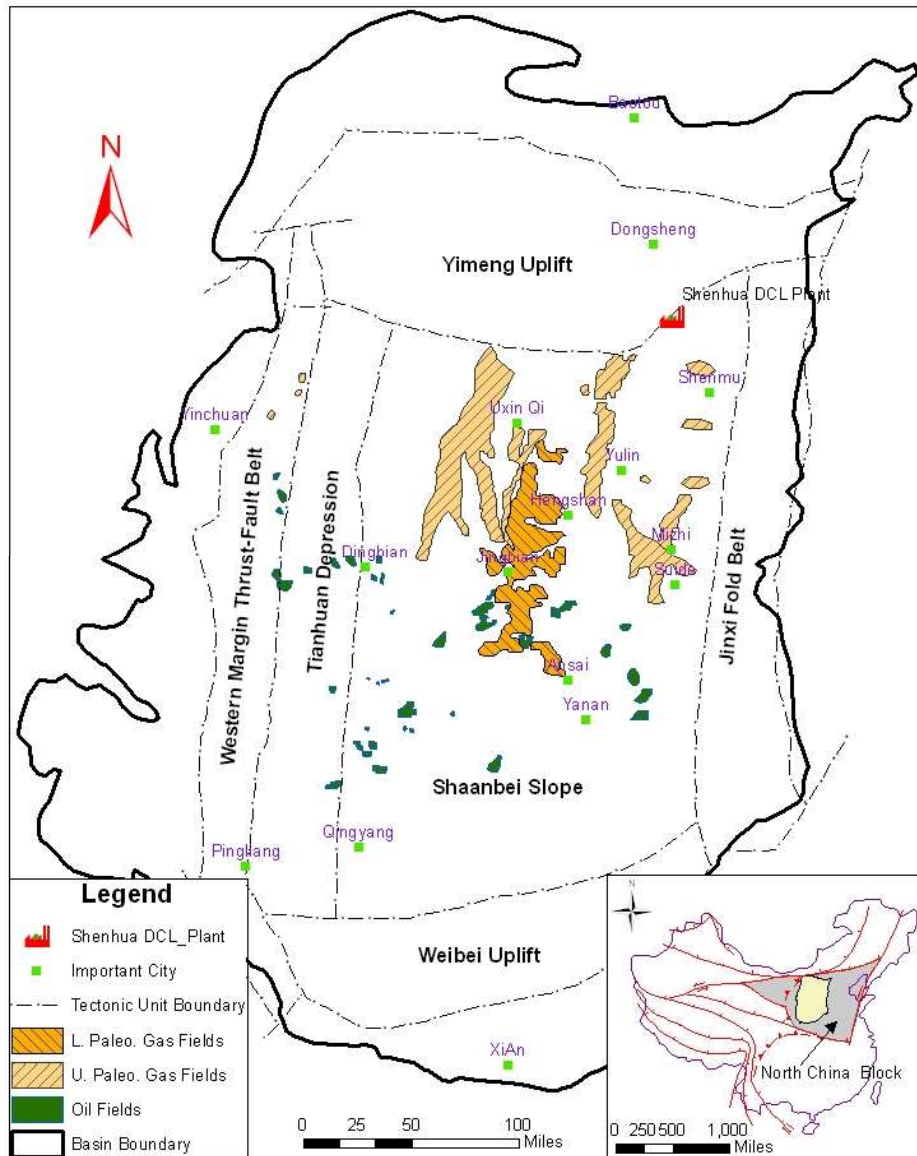
Shenhua DCL Plant in Inner Mongolia, China

Motivations

- ❖ In 2004, about 100Mt CO₂ emission in the Ordos Basin

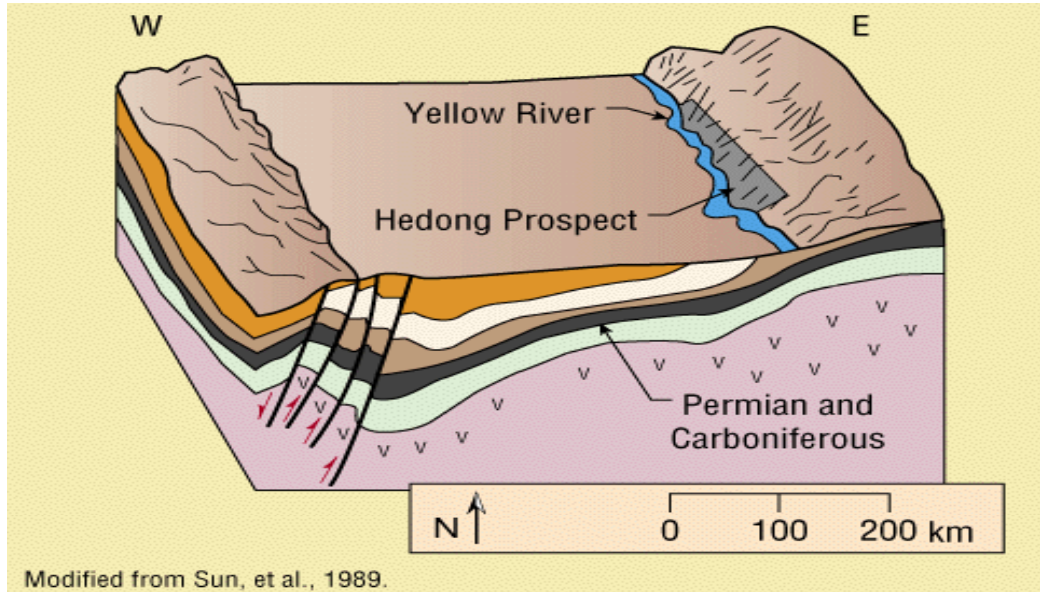
- ❖ In the future, more CO₂ emission in the Ordos Basin due to Coal-To-Liquid development in the Ordos Basin

Geologic Background

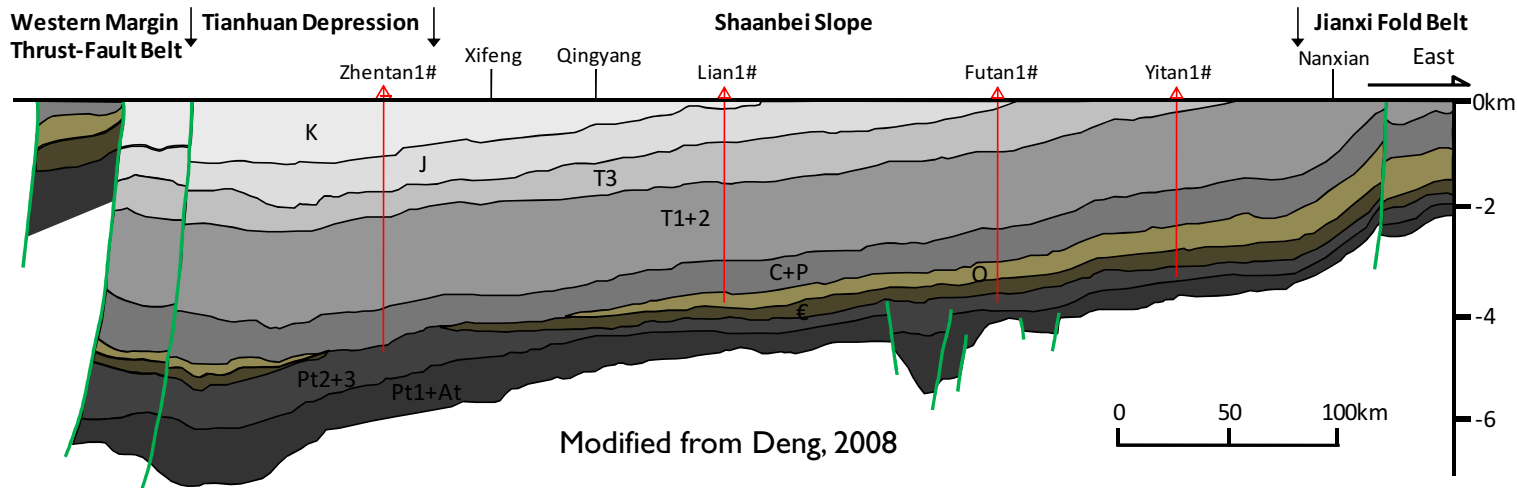


- ▶ In North China Block
- ▶ Area: 370,000 km² (140,000mi²), as big as half Texas
- ▶ Thickness: 2,000~10,000m
- ▶ Proven oil reserves: 10*10⁸metric tons
- ▶ Proven gas reserves: 1.54*10¹²m³
- ▶ Abundant of coal mining
- ▶ Six tectonic units

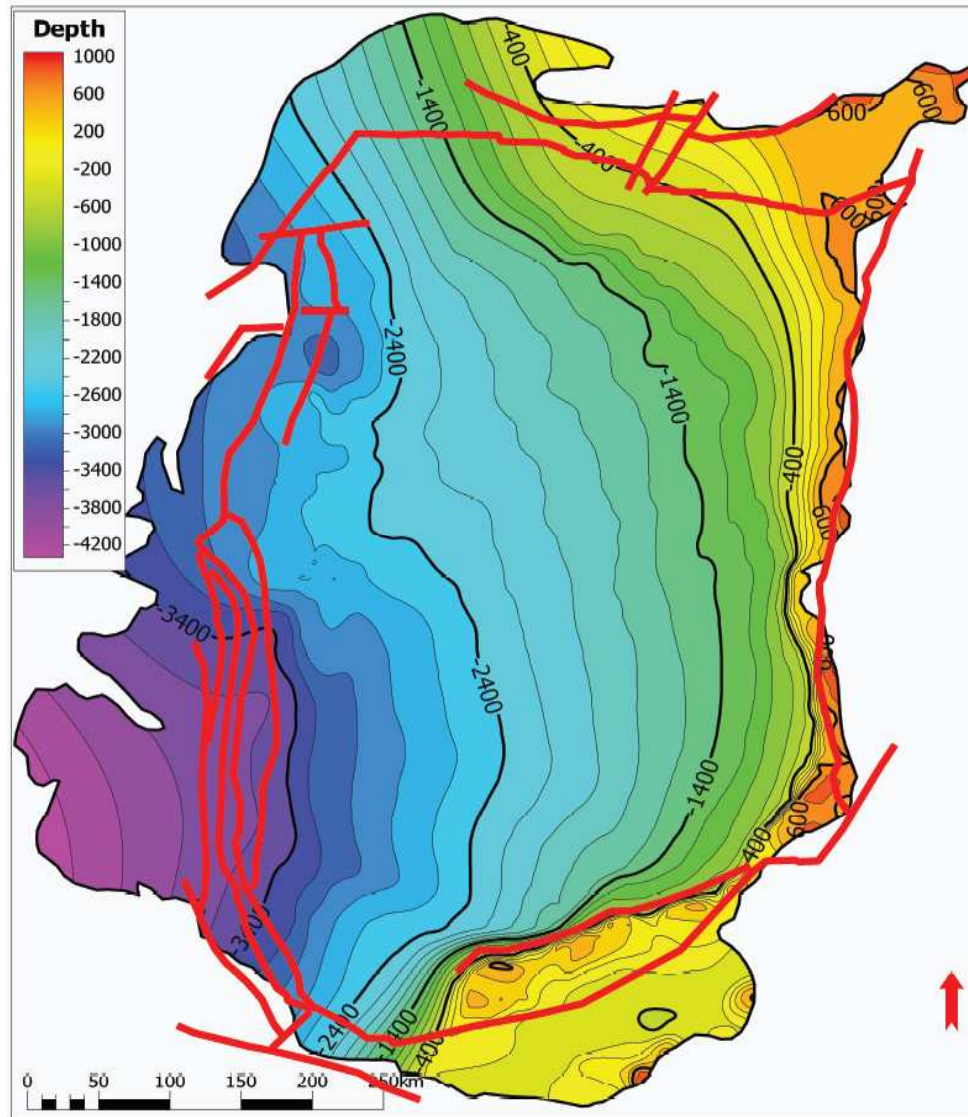
Geologic Background



- ▶ A huge monocline in Tianhuan Depression and Shaanbei Slope
- ▶ Most of the faults in Western Margin Thrust-Fault Belt and Jinxi Belt
- ▶ Dip angle less than 1°
- ▶ Deeping to west



Geologic Background



**Carboniferous Top
Structure Map with
Major Faults**

Geologic Background

Geologic Time			Group	Thickness (m)	Lithology	
Era	Period	Epoch				
Cenozoic	Neogene			10-200		
	Paleogene			0-10		
Mesozoic	Cretaceous	Lower	Luohe	0-770		
			Yijun			
	Jurassic	Middle	Anding	100-400		
			Zhiluo	100-450		
		Lower	Yanan	250-350		
			Fuxin	0-120		
	Triassic	Upper	Yanchang	400-1200		
		Middle	Zhifang	150-850		
		Lower	Heshanggou	40-100		
			Liujiaogou	100-820		
Paleozoic	Upper	Permian	Upper	Shiqianfeng	250-280	
			Shangshihezi	140-160		
		Lower	Xiashizhezi	120-215		
			Shanxi	80-110		
	Carboniferous	Upper	Taiyuan	25-45		
		Middle	Benxi	30-65		
	Lower	Ordovician	Lower	Majiagou	0-1000	
				Liangjiashan	17-150	
				Yeli	13-150	
			Upper	Feng-Chang-Gu	34-330	
Middle			Zhang-Xu-Mao	55-1000		
Cambrian	Lower	Mantou	19-62			
Proterozoic-Archean						

Ordos Basin
Hydrodynamic Systems

Lithology of
Reservoir--Caprock

Mesozoic
Oil System

Sandstone--Shale

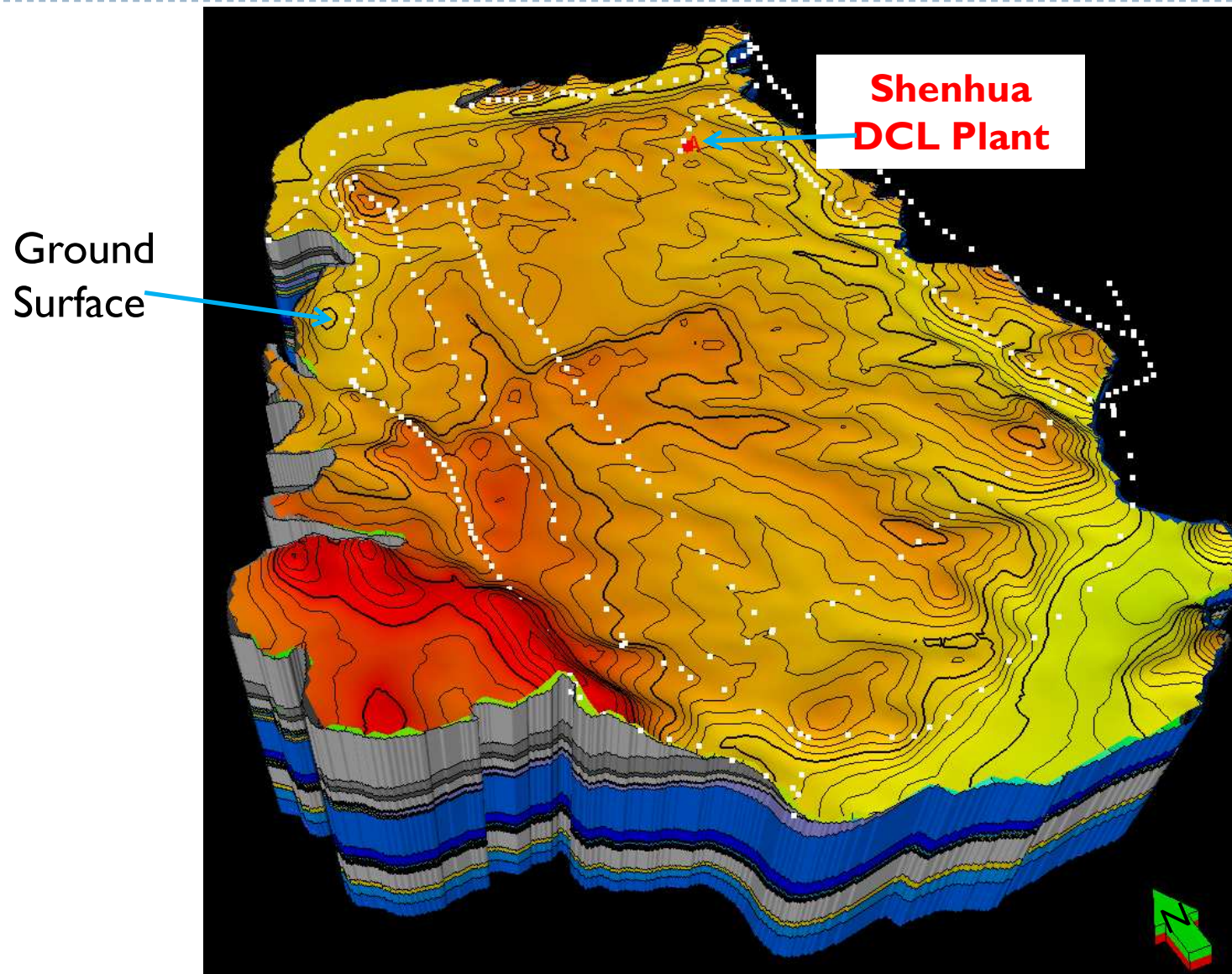
Upper Paleozoic
Gas System

Sandstone/Coal--Shale

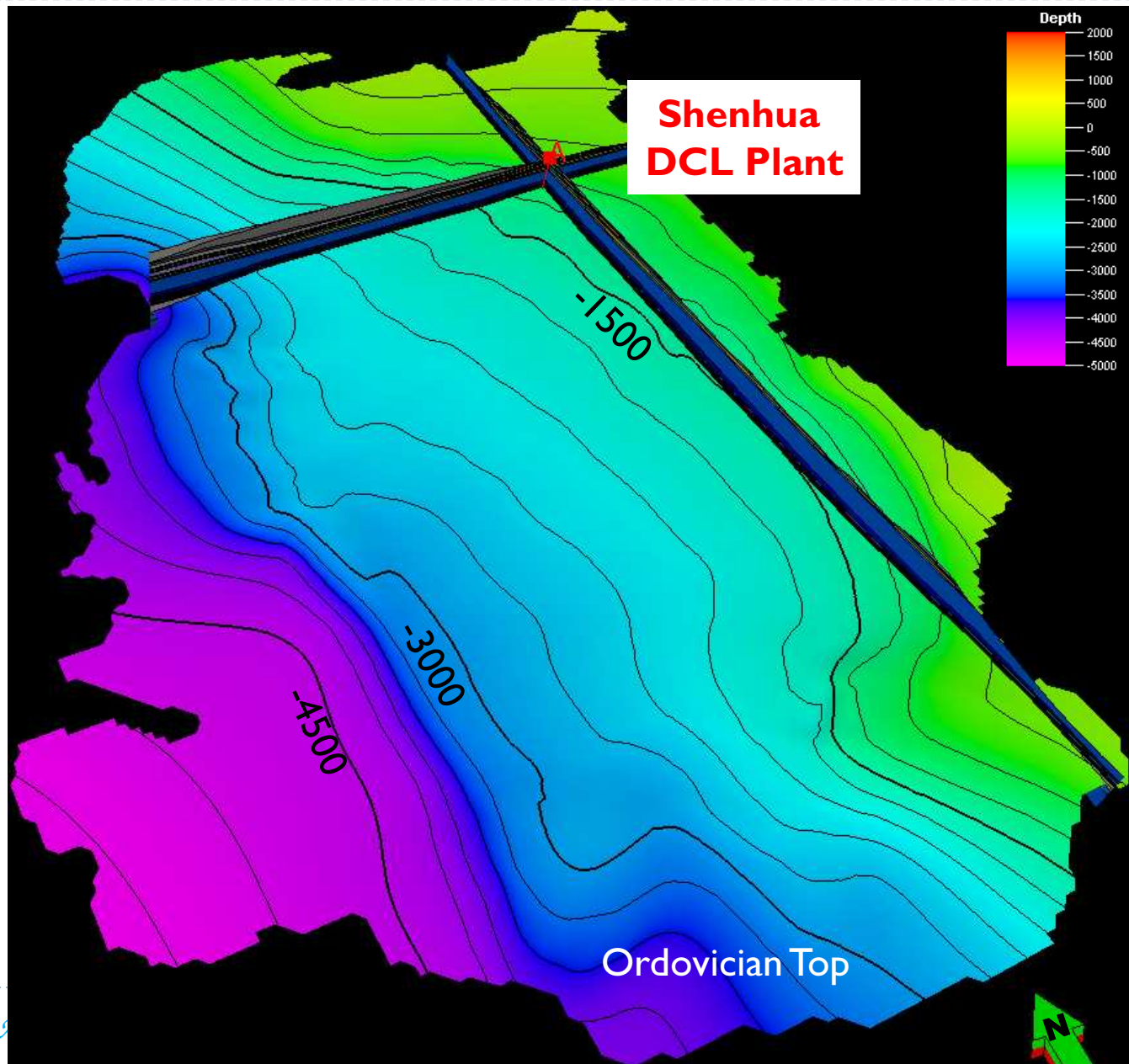
Lower Paleozoic
Gas System

Carbonate--Evaporate/Bauxite

3D Geologic Model

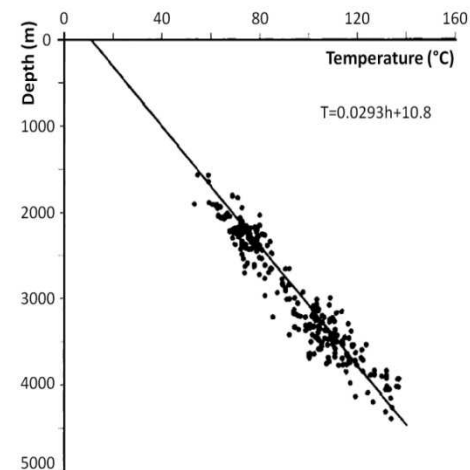
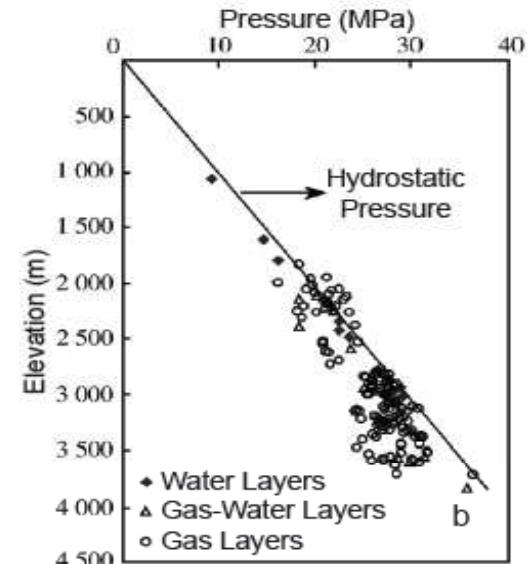
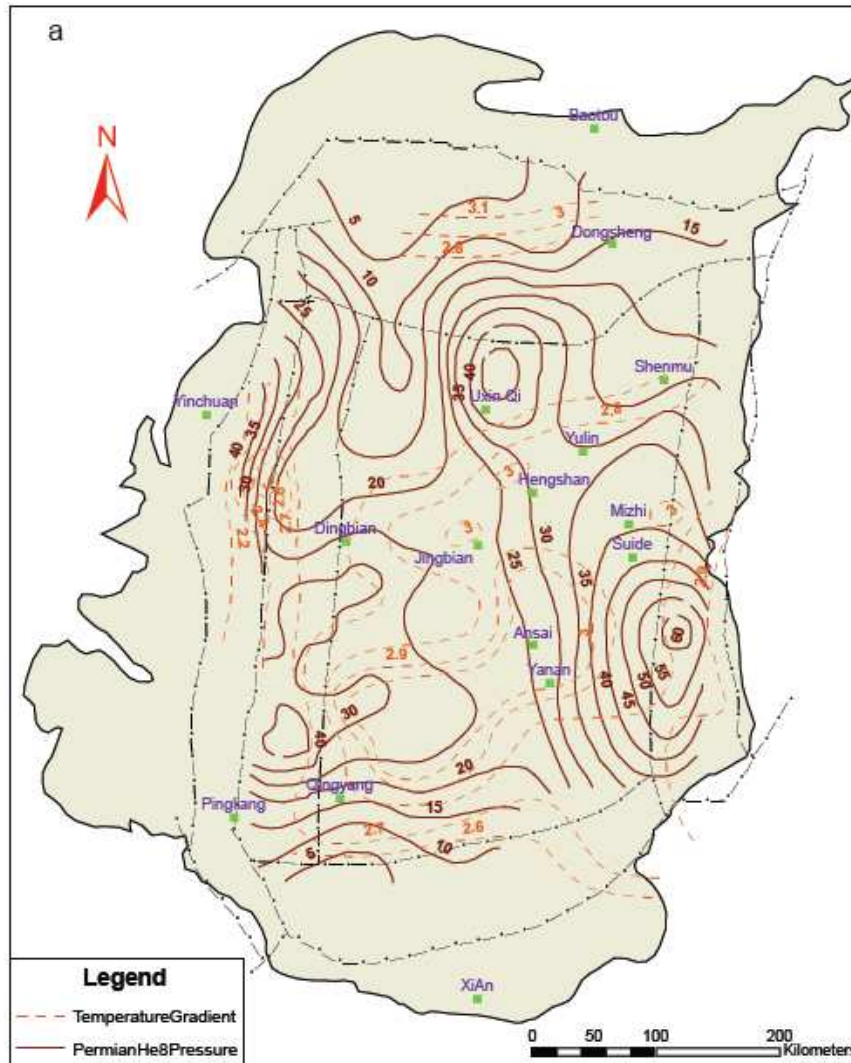


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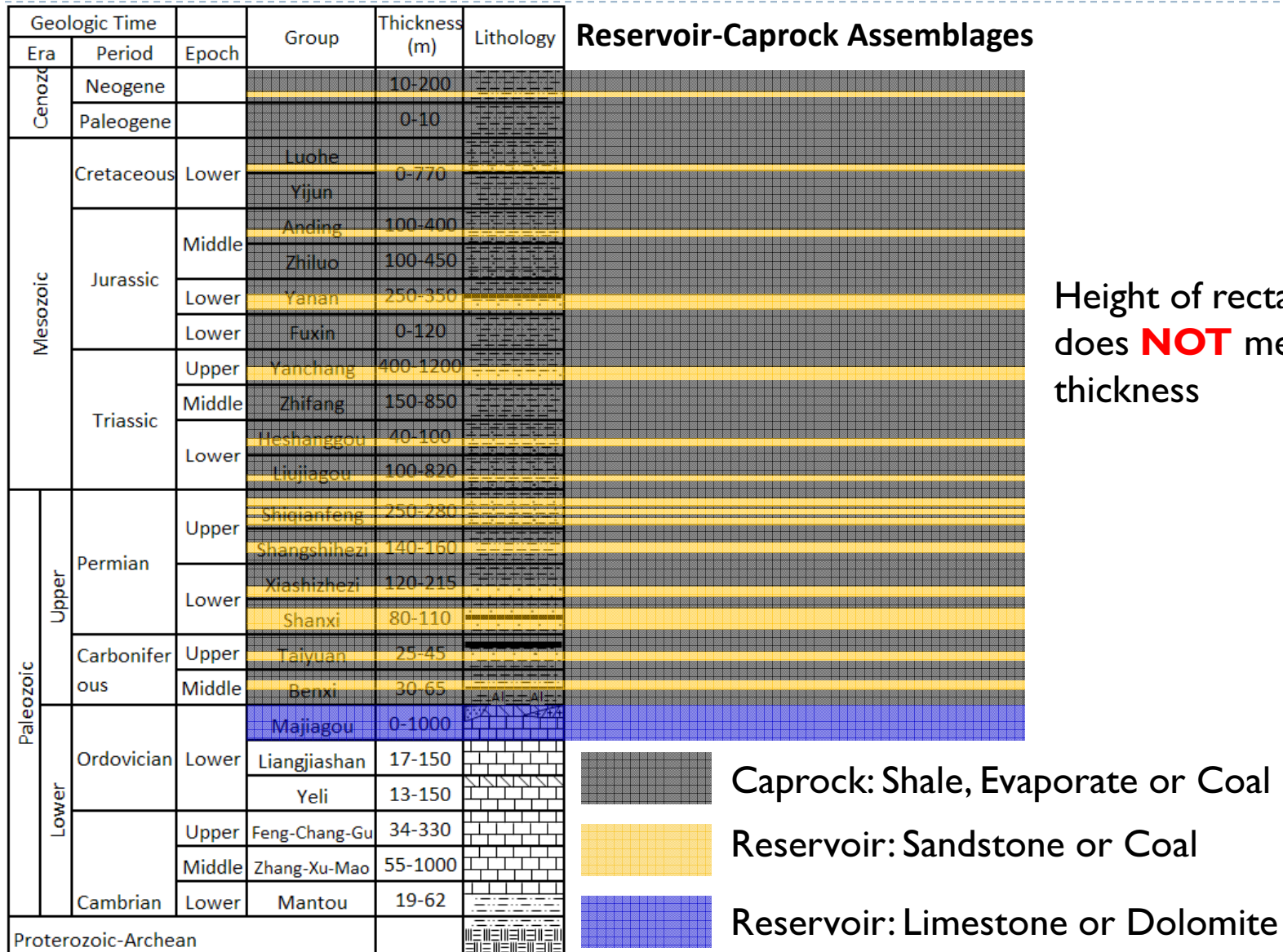


Potential Reservoirs

Geothermal Gradient and Pressure Gradient **~850m**



Potential Reservoir-Caprock System

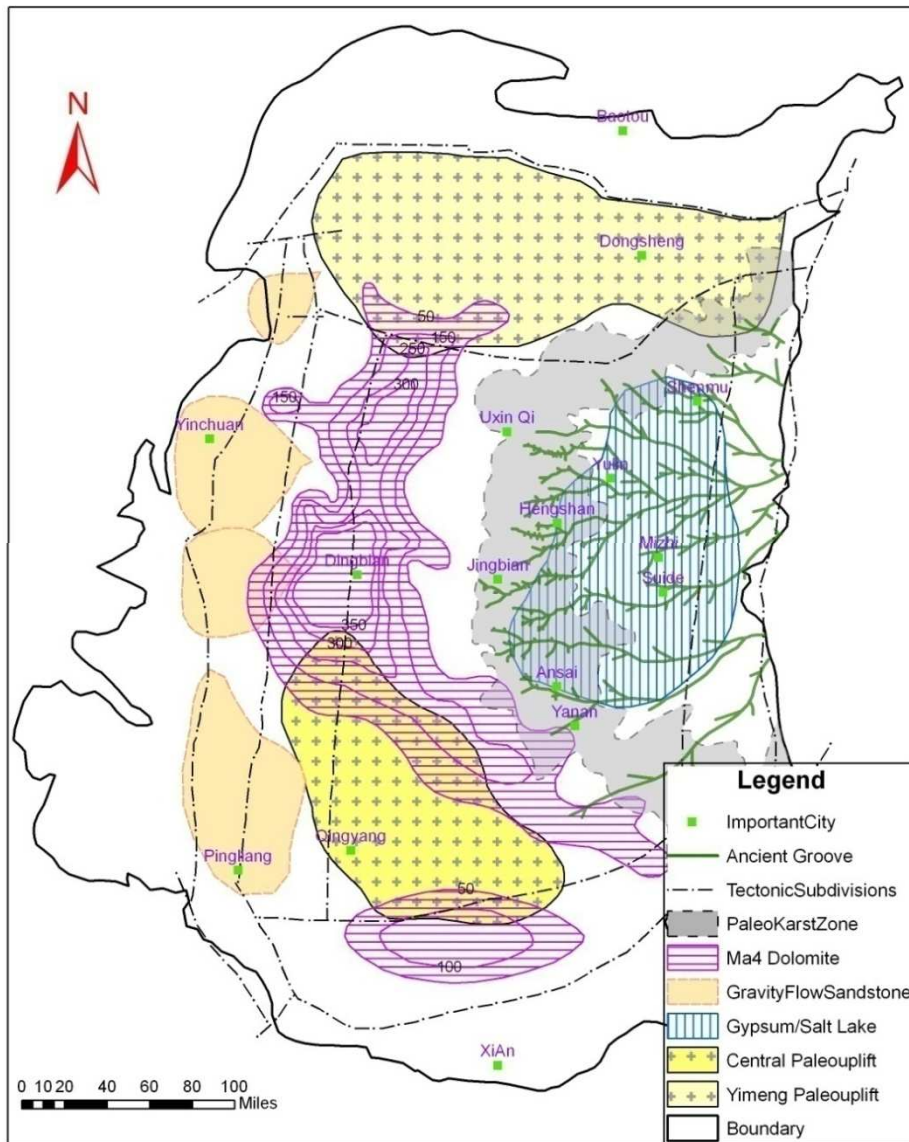


Potential Reservoirs

Period	Formation		Thickness (m)	Lithology	Porosity (%) ²	Permeability (mD) ²	Reservoir Type
	Group	Member					
Jurassic	Yan'an	Yan1	---	Shaly sandstone	1-20	30-120	Oil Fields & Saline Aquifers
		Yan2					
		Yan3					
		Yan4					
Triassic	Yanchang	Ch2	---	Shaly sandstone	1-17	5-100	Oil Fields & Saline Aquifers
		Ch3					
		Ch5					
		Ch10					
Permian	Shiqianfeng	Qian1	0-39	Sandstone	<u>5-16.7</u> 12.5	<u>2-411</u> 31.37	Saline Aquifer
		Qian2	0-44				
		Qian3	0-43				
		Qian4	0-42				
		Qian5	0-36				
	Xiashihezi	He5	0-5	Sandstone	<u>5.1-14.1</u> 10.1	<u>0.37-5.13</u> 0.59	Saline Aquifer
		He6	0-10		<u>3.5-16.4</u> 11.7	<u>0.08-20.61</u> 1.6	
		He7	0-10		<u>2-18.9</u> 7.3	<u>0.01-15.85</u> 0.69	
		He8	0-87		<u>1.0-13.4</u> 8.5	<u>0.01-16.29</u> 3.45	
	Shanxi	Shan1	0-76	Sandstone	<u>1.1-12.4</u> 6.4	<u>0.01-22.71</u> 0.88	Sulige, Daniudi, Yulin, Mizhi, Zizhou, Wushen Gas Fields & Saline Aquifer
		Shan2	0-48		<u>0.9-14.5</u> 7.4	<u>0.01-12.27</u> 2.55	
		---	0-20	Coal	---	---	Coal Seams
Carboniferous	Taiyuan	Tai1	0-15	Sandstone	<u>2.7-12.3</u> 7.9	<u>0.01-3.1</u> 1.50	Daniudi Gas Field & Saline Aquifer
		Tai2	0-10		<u>0.8-11.4</u> 8.0	<u>0.01-2.8</u> 0.74	
	---	0-8	Coal	---	---	Coal Seams	
	Benxi	0-5	Coal	---	---		
Ordovician	Majiagou	Ma5	45-72	Dolomite	<u>1-19</u> 6.2	<u>1-300</u> 5	Jingbian Gas Field & Saline Aquifer
		Ma4	32-432		<u>2-13</u> 3.7	<u>0.01-192</u> 7.8	Saline Aquifer

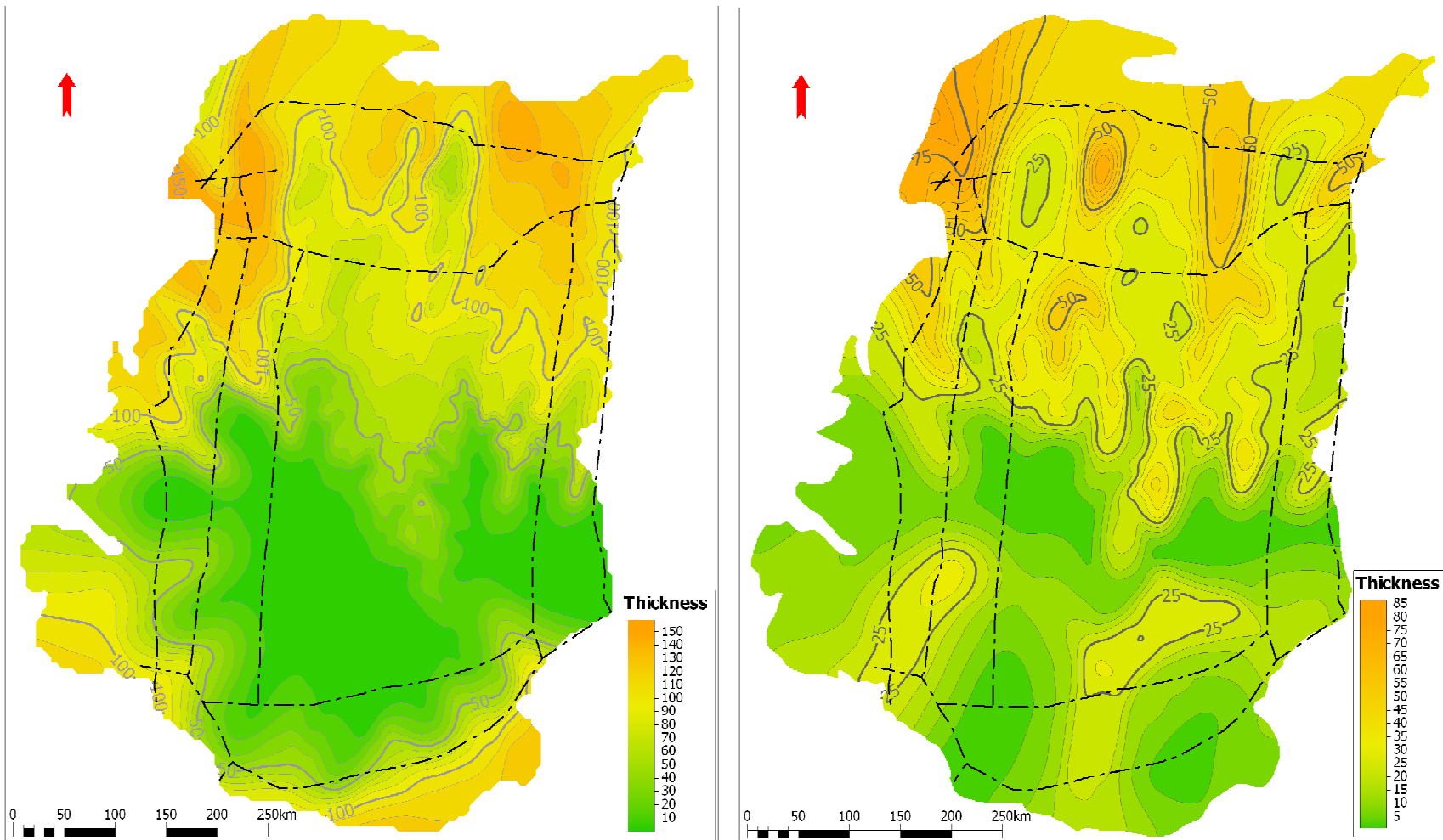
- ▶ **Widely Distributed Reservoirs**
- ▶ **Thick Sandstone and Carbonate**
- ▶ **Low Porosity**
- ▶ **Low Permeability**
- ▶ **High Heterogeneity**

Potential Reservoirs



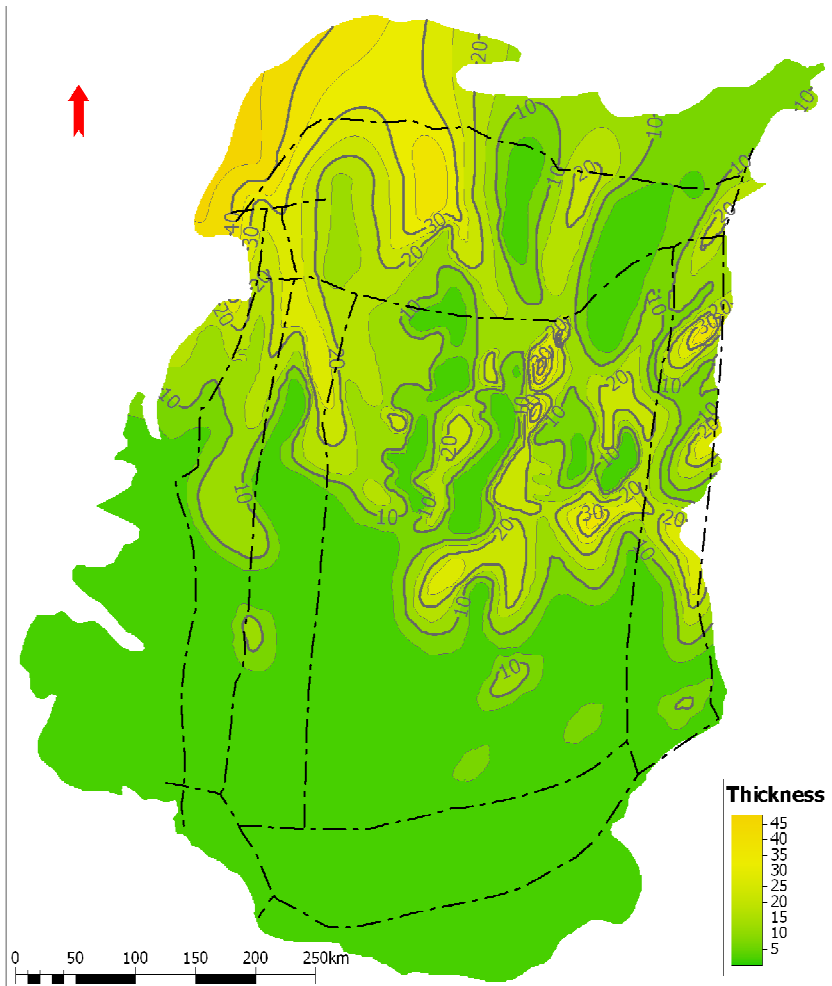
- ▶ **Potential Reservoirs in Ordovician**
 - ▶ **Karst Reservoir**
 - ▶ **Dolomite in Tianhuan Depression**
 - ▶ **Sandstone in Western Margin**

Potential Reservoirs

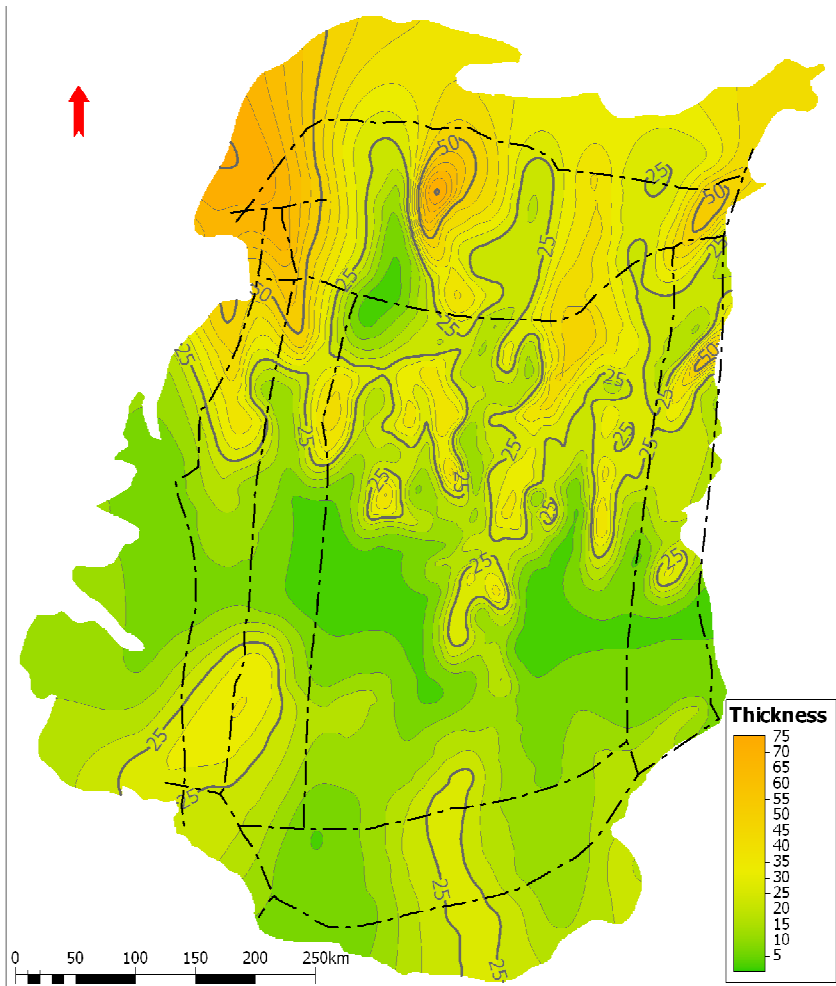


Shiqianfeng Sandstone Isopach in Permian He8 Sandstone Isopach in Permian
Unit in Meter

Potential Reservoirs



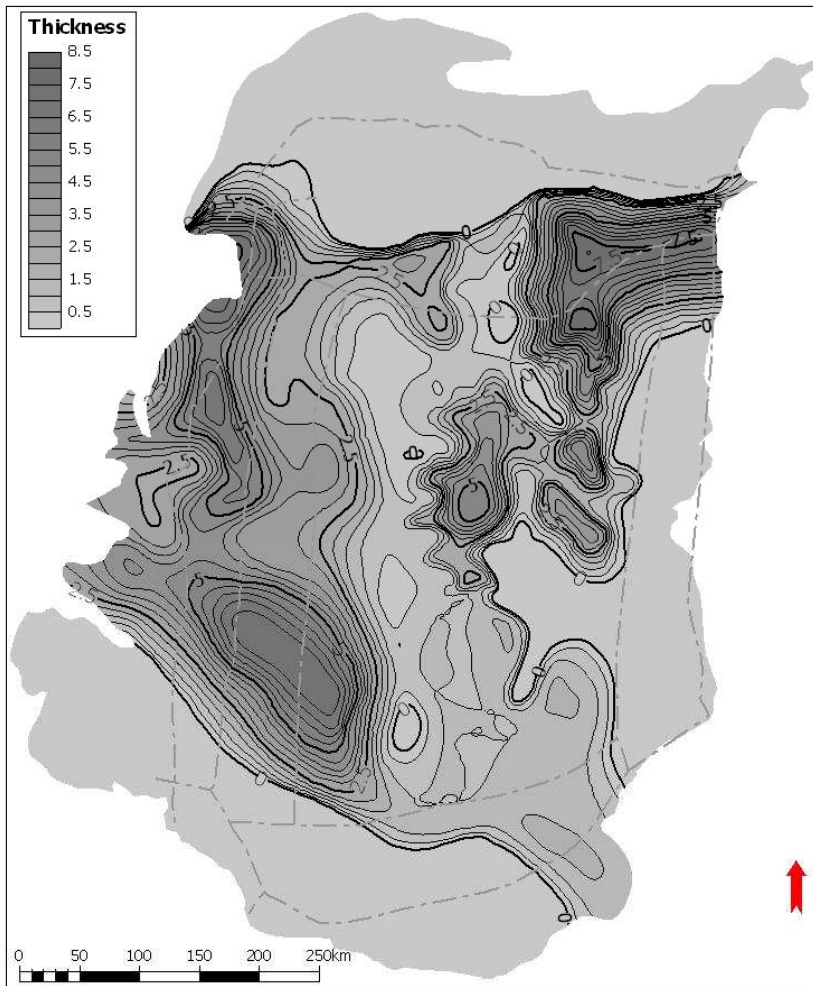
Shan1 Sandstone Isopach in Permian



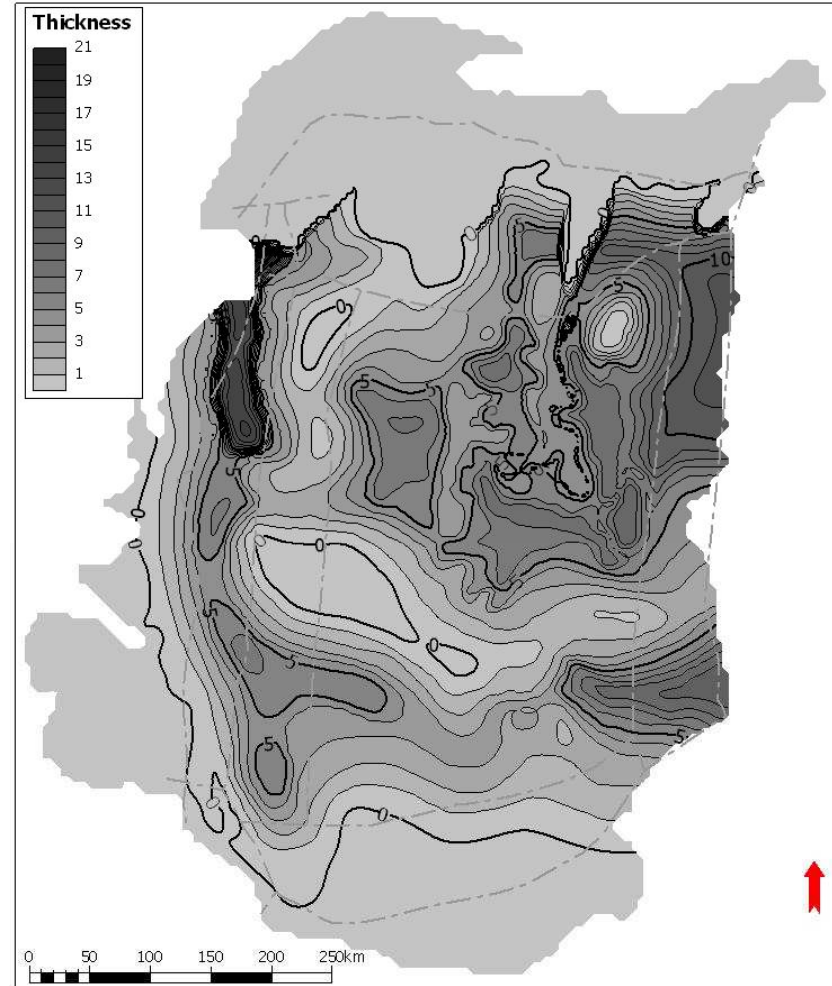
Shan2 Sandstone Isopach in Permian

Unit in Meter

Potential Reservoirs

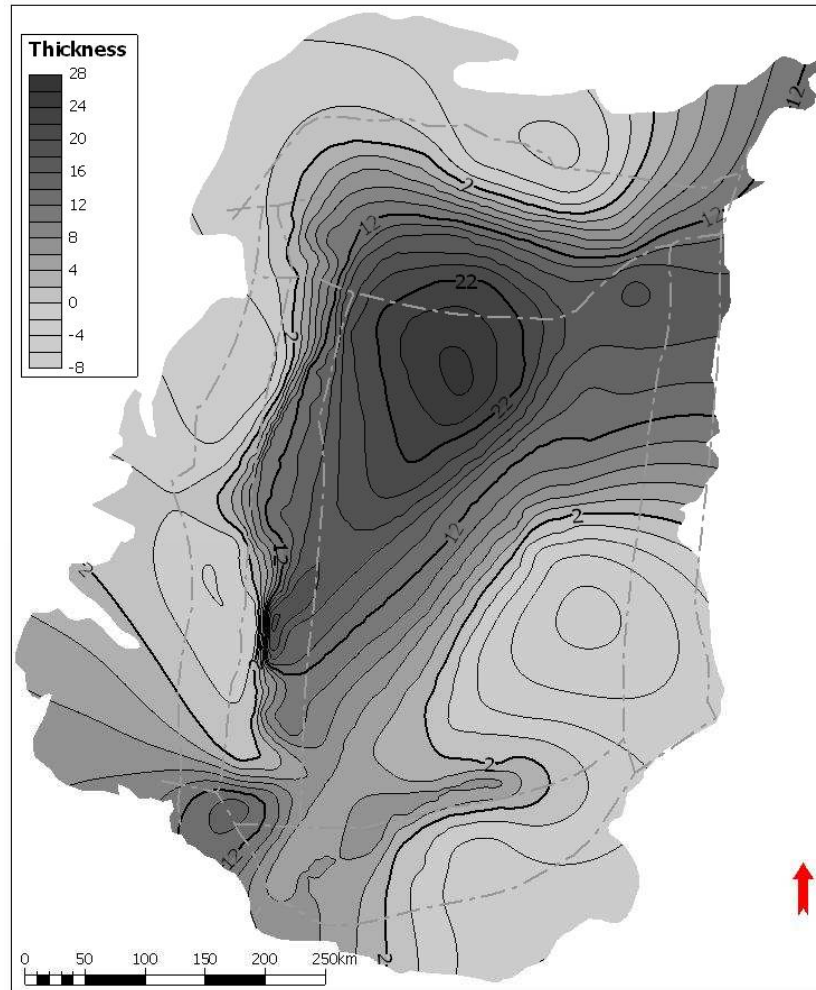


Net coal isopach for the Shanxi Group
of Permian
Unit in Meter



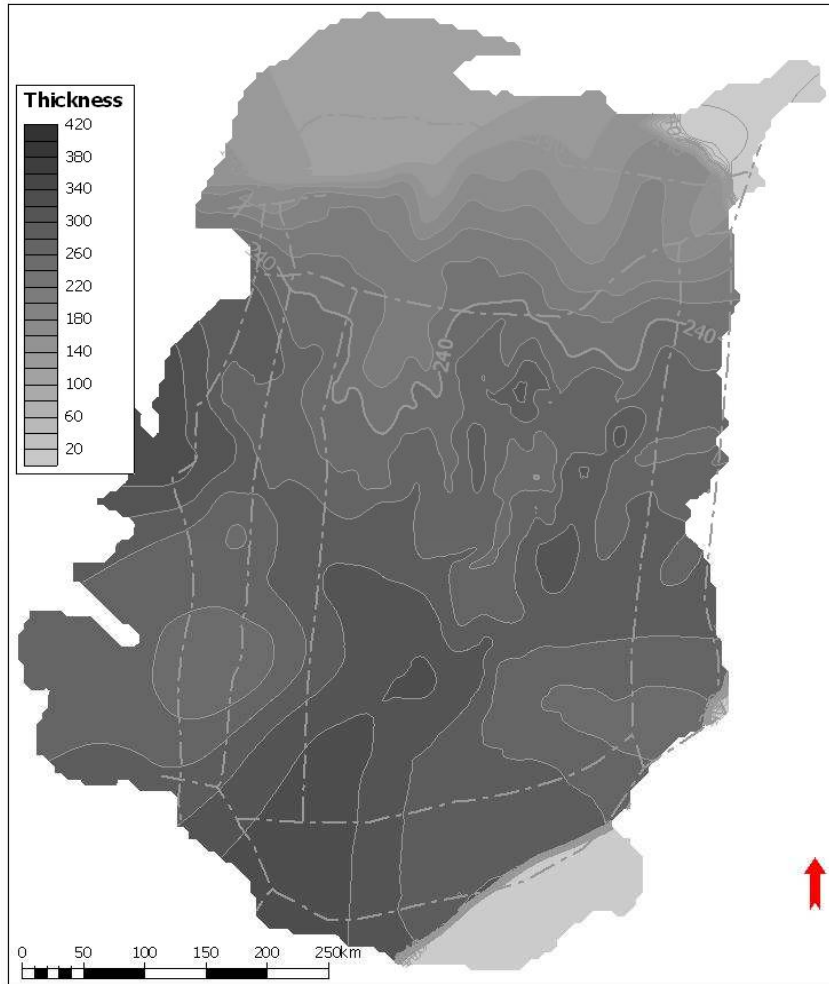
Net coal isopach for the Benxi and
Taiyuan Group of Carboniferous

Potential Reservoirs



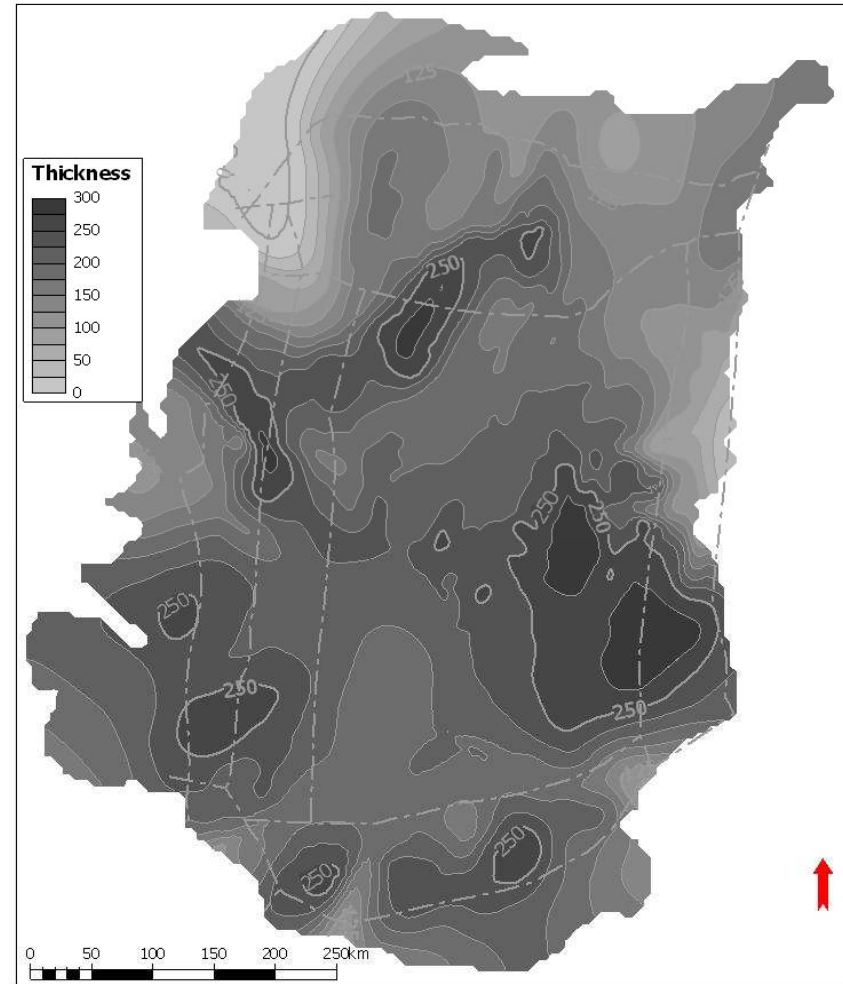
Net coal isopach for the Yan'an Group of Triassic

Potential Caprocks



Shale isopach of Shangshihezi Group of Permian

Unit in Meter



Net shale isopach of Shiqianfeng Group of Permian

CGS Capacity

Oil Fields CCS Capacity

Oil Fields		Area	Average Depth	Average Thickness	Average Temperature	Average Pressure	Average Porosity	CO2 Density	Phase	M _{CO2}
		km ²	m	m	C	MPa	%	Kg/m ³		Gt
PetroChina Changqing	Wuqi	113.2	1415	5.8	51.0	13.9	14.65	658.5	supercritical	0.002
	Youfangzhuang	33.6	1839	5.7	63.3	18.0	17.5	662.81	supercritical	0.001
	Ansai	737.1	1179	10.8	44.2	11.6	13.3	650.8	supercritical	0.021
	Anwu	49.9	1740	5.9	60.5	17.1	16.5	663.05	supercritical	0.001
	Hujianshan	53.3	1694	5.1	59.1	16.6	16.5	661.53	supercritical	0.001
	Jingan	487.1	1445	9.2	51.9	14.2	14.5	659.02	supercritical	0.013
	Suijing	32.3	1070		41.0	10.5		644.86	supercritical	#
Yanchang	Ganguyi	170.8	477	13.9	23.8	4.7	9.51	120.15	vapor	*
	Panlong	21.4								#
	Jianyucha	51.5	600	15.0	27.4	5.9	14.9	173.52	vapor	*
	Qinghuaji	108.9	200	8.7	15.8	2.0	14	41.667	Vapor	*
	Yaodian	109.2	555	15.0	26.1	5.4	9.02	148.38	Vapor	*
	Zibei	100.5	435	6.5	22.6	4.3	9.1	105.91	Vapor	*
	Fengfuchuan	41.1	422	7.1	22.2	4.1	12.4	99.064	Vapor	*
	Zichang	118.0	375	16.8	20.9	3.7	10.49	86.607	Vapor	*
	Chuankou	146.7	573	13.6	26.6	5.6	7.1	157.91	Vapor	*
	Yanchang	215.5	490	16.6	24.2	4.8	7.6	123.78	Vapor	*
The Ordos Basin		----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	0.038

CGS Capacity

Gas Fields CCS Capacity

Gas Fields	Sulige	Daniudi	Jingbian	Wushen	Yulin	Zizhou	Mizhi ¹	Shenmu	The Ordos Basin
OGIP (10 ⁸ m ³)	5336.5	3076.9	2870.8	1451.7	1132.8	902.1	358.5	267.4	15396.7
Area (km ²)	4102.8	601.8	3665.0	689.5	1014.7	1194.7	478.30	310.2	---
Pressure (MPa)	29.0	24.2	31.0	18.2	27.3	23.7	23.2	11.1	---
Temperature (°C)	100.0	83.6	105.0	64.5	86.8	77.4	77.1	55.0	---
ρ_{CO_2} (Kg/m ³)	649.2	655.4	653.4	658.0	685.2	680.1	674.3	419.7	---
Sg (%) ²	75.0	75.0	77.0	75.0	75.0	72.7	75.0	60.0	---
Rg (%) ³	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	---
Rw (%) ³	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	---
M _{CO₂} (Gt)	1.02	0.68	0.52	0.41	0.23	0.21	0	0.08	3.16

Methods

$$M_{CO_2} = \rho A h_n \phi_e S_g \left[1 - (1 - R_g) \frac{P_i T_f Z_f}{P_f T_i Z_i} + \left(\frac{1}{S_g} - 1 \right) R_w \right]$$

$$M_{CO_2} = \rho OGIP \frac{P_s T_i Z_i}{P_i T_s Z_s} \left[1 - (1 - R_g) \frac{P_i T_f Z_f}{P_f T_i Z_i} + \left(\frac{1}{S_g} - 1 \right) R_w \right]$$

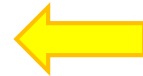
CGS Capacity

Saline Aquifers

- Shiqianfeng: 22.3Gt
- He8: 5.2Gt
- Shan1: 3.7Gt
- Ma4: 3.1Gt
- Shan2: 2.0Gt

$$M_{\text{CO}_2} = Ah_n \phi_e \rho_{\text{CO}_2} E$$

E=1%; CO2 Density=650kg/m3



Coal Beds

Totally 660Mt CO₂ with producing CBM

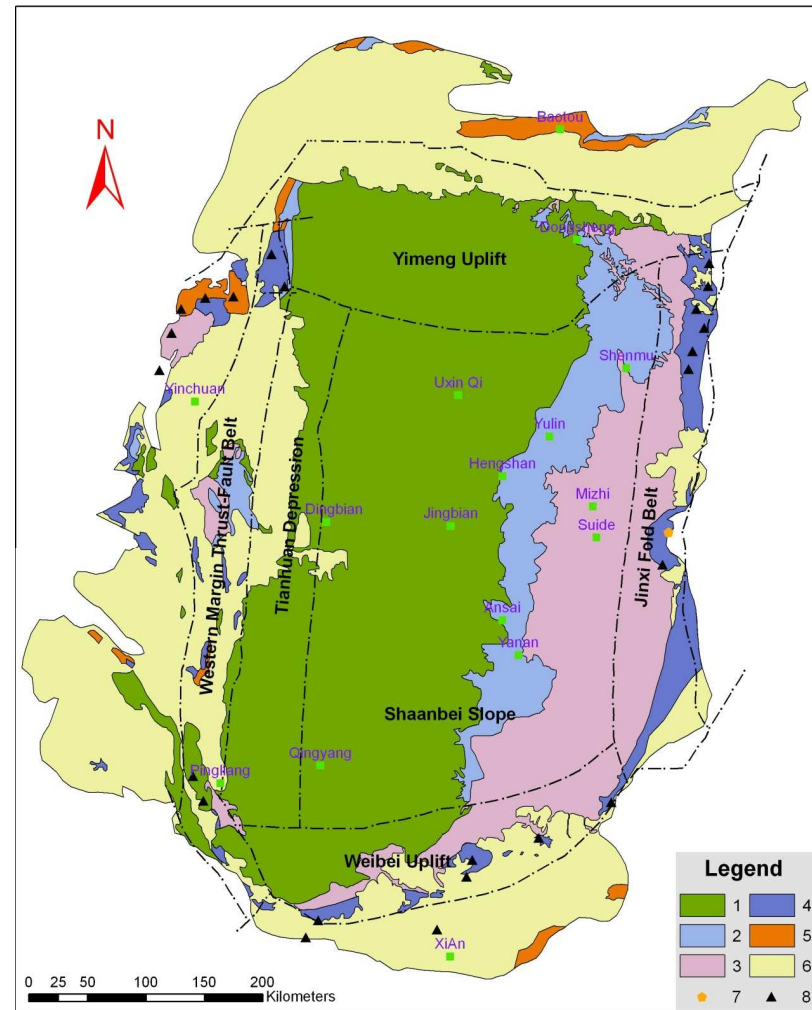
CO₂ Leaking Risk

▶ Geologic factors

- ▶ Caprock sealing ability
 - ▶ Lithology
 - ▶ Thickness
 - ▶ Distribution
- ▶ Faults
 - ▶ Open or sealed

▶ Engineering factors

- ▶ Abundant of Oil and Gas Industry Drilling
 - ▶ Over 1,000 wells through Ordovician
 - ▶ Over 10,000 wells through Triassic
- ▶ Wells with casing corrosion
 - ▶ **10% due to CO₂ and H₂S**



1: Cretaceous; 2: Jurassic; 3: Triassic; 4: Paleozoic;
5: Proterozoic/Archaean; 6: Cenozoic; 7: Permian
Outcrop; 8: Shiqianfeng Outcrop

Conclusions

- ▶ **Multiple potential reservoir-caprock assemblages**
- ▶ **Huge CGS capacity in saline aquifers**
- ▶ **Large CGS capacity in gas fields, but not available now for CGS**
- ▶ **Oil fields are possible to launch CO₂-EOR, but not good for CGS**
- ▶ **Low porosity and permeability, low injection rate unless stimulation or horizontal well**
- ▶ **Casing corrosion wells as CO₂ leaking pathway**

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