

# THE CUBAN GEOLOGICAL MAPPING, A CHALLENGE FOR THE FUTURE

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Location

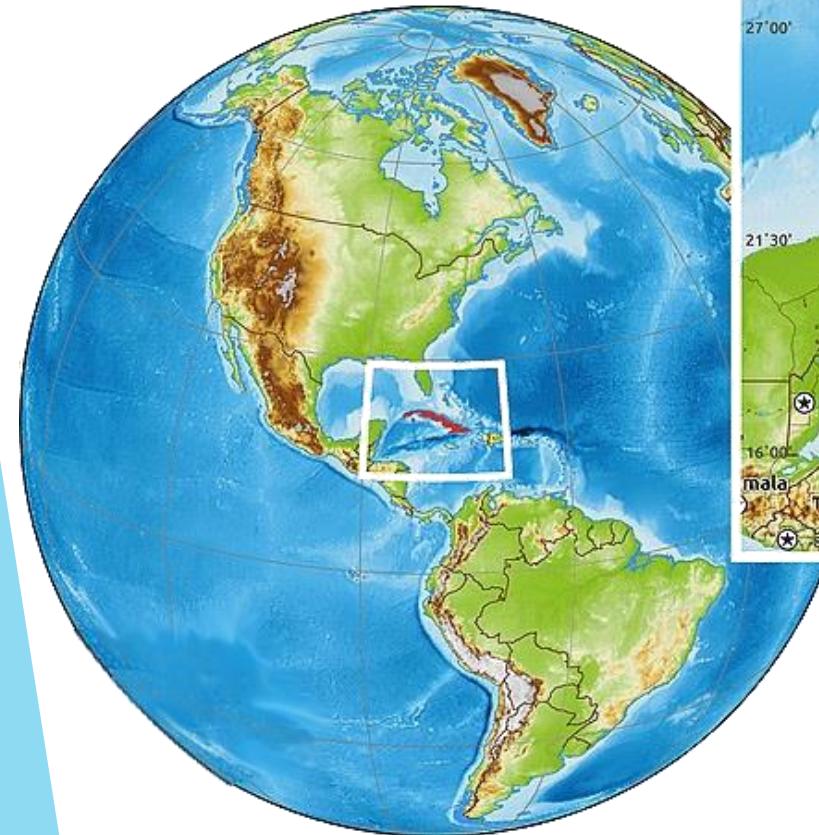
History of Cuban Geological Mapping

- Second half of the XIX Century
- First half of the XX Century
- Second half of the XX Century
- XXI Century

Task for the future

# • Location

The Republic of Cuba is at the entrance to the Gulf of Mexico in the Northwestern of the Caribbean Sea



It is an archipelago.  
Two isles and 4 195 keys and islets  
for a total area of 110 860 Km<sup>2</sup>.

- Second half of the XIX Century

Map of Cuban territory,  
Madrid 1866  
1:2 000 000



The first in Latin America



Geological sketch of Cuban  
1:1 000 000, published by  
Manuel Fernández de Castro  
and Pedro Salterain Legarra in 1869

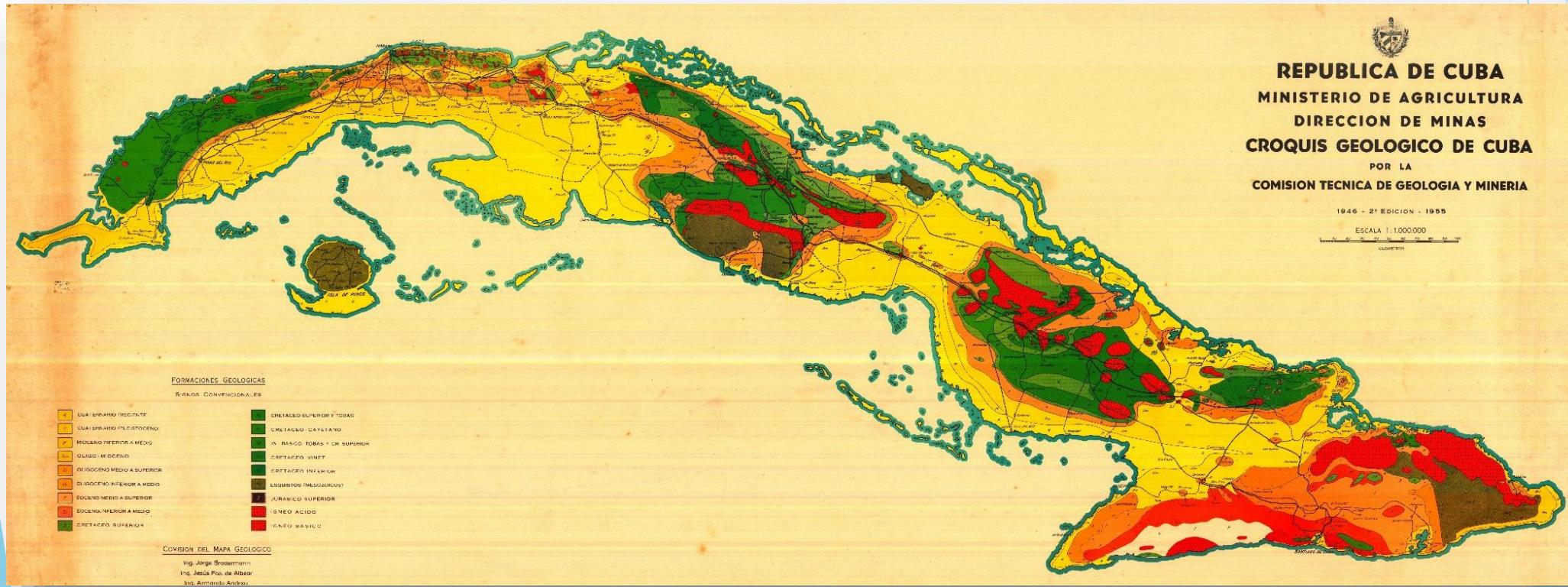
Geological Map of Cuba,  
Ramon Adan de Yarza  
1895

# Geological Sketch of Cuba

scale 1:1 000 000  
1946 - 1955

- First half of the XX Century

Report of geological Reconnaissance of Cuba,  
C.W. Hayes, T.W. Vaughan and B.C. Spencer

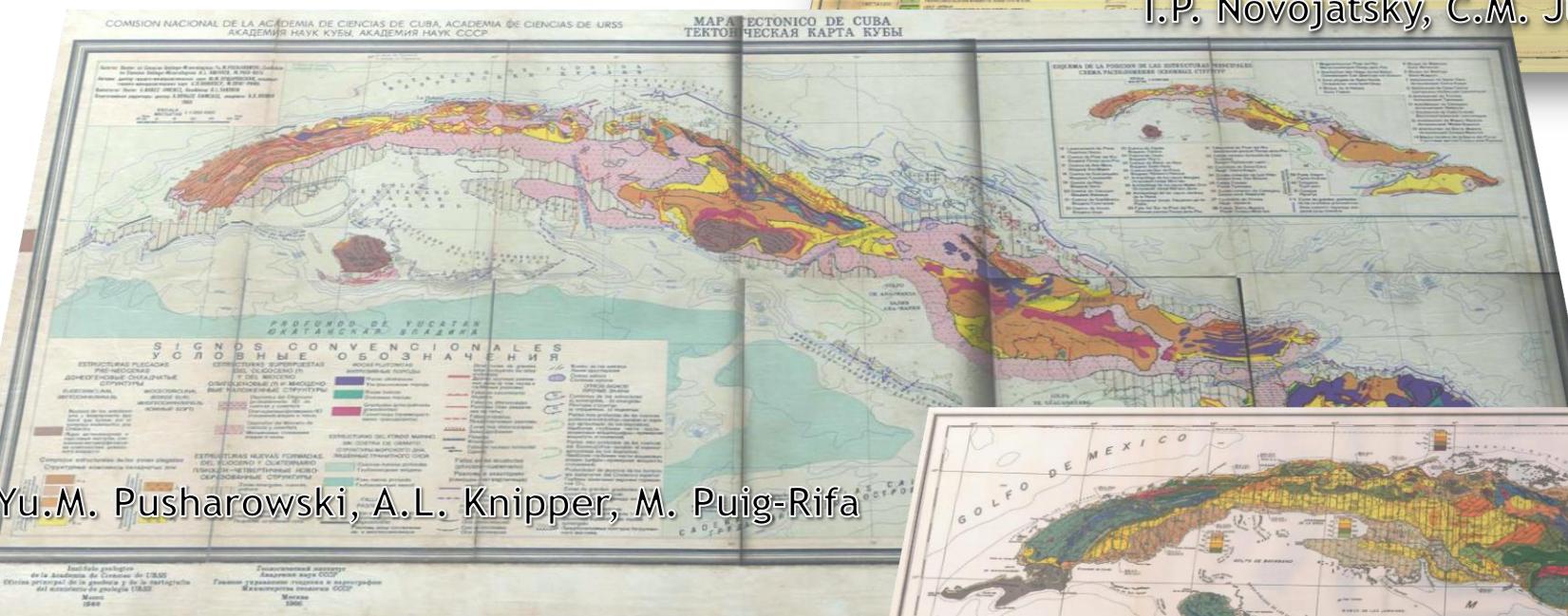
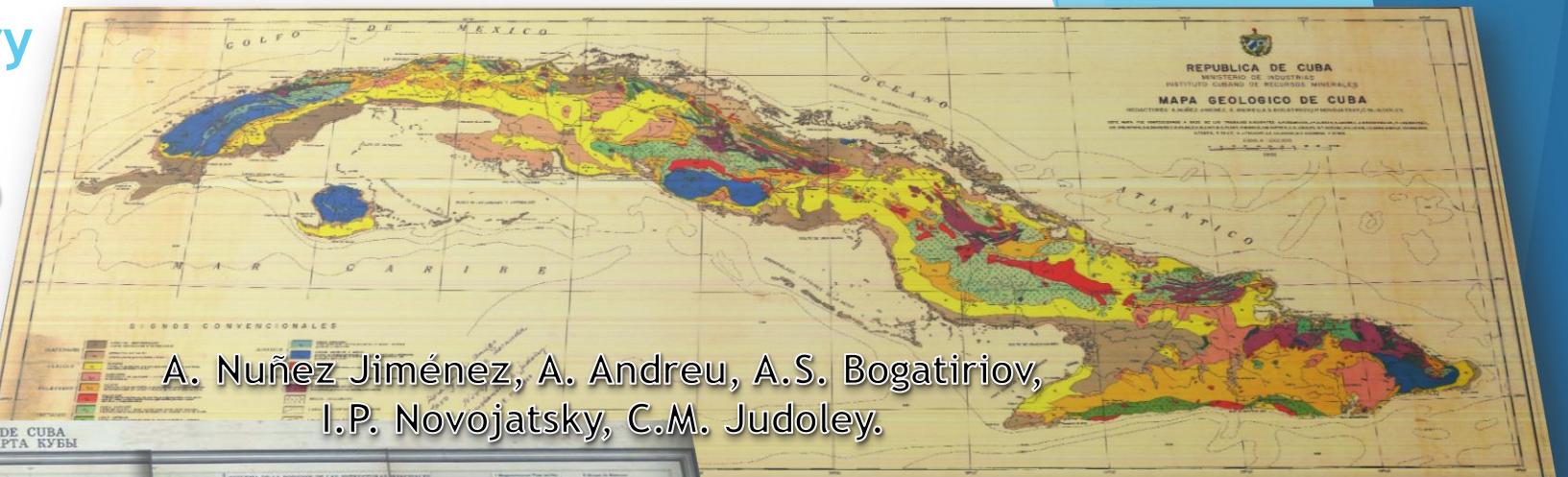


Geology and Mine Technical Commission  
Mine Dirección  
Agriculture Ministry  
Jorge Brödermann, Jesus Francisco de Albear and Armando Andrew

Geological, mine and others local tematic  
sketch by Antonio Calvache Dorado, Jorge  
Brödermann, Armando Andrew, Pedro J.  
Bermúdez, scale 1:1 000 000.

- Second half of the XX Century

**Geological Map  
scale 1:1 000 000  
1962**



**Tectonic Map  
scale 1:1000 000  
1965**

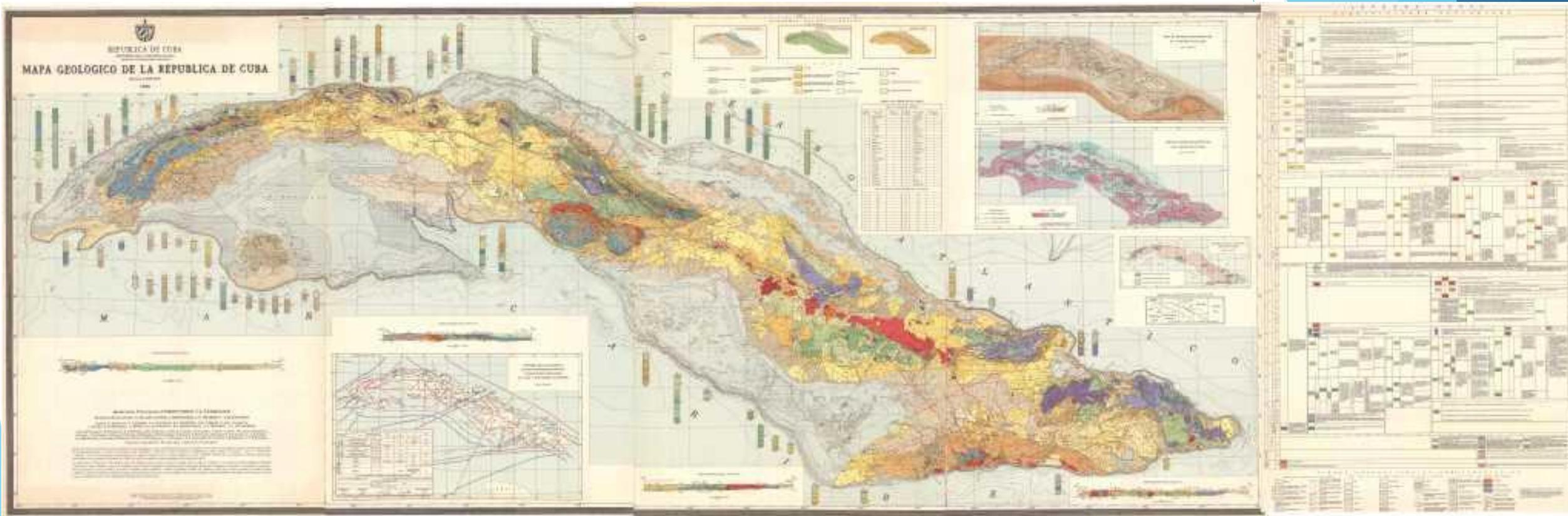
**Hidrogeological Map  
scale 1:1000 000  
1965**



- Second half of the XX Century

# Geological Map of Cuba

scale 1:500 000  
1985



**Geology Investigation Center (CIG)**  
**E. Linares Cala, A.V Dovbnia, et al.**

# Geological Mapping works areas scale 1:250 000

- Second half of the XX Century

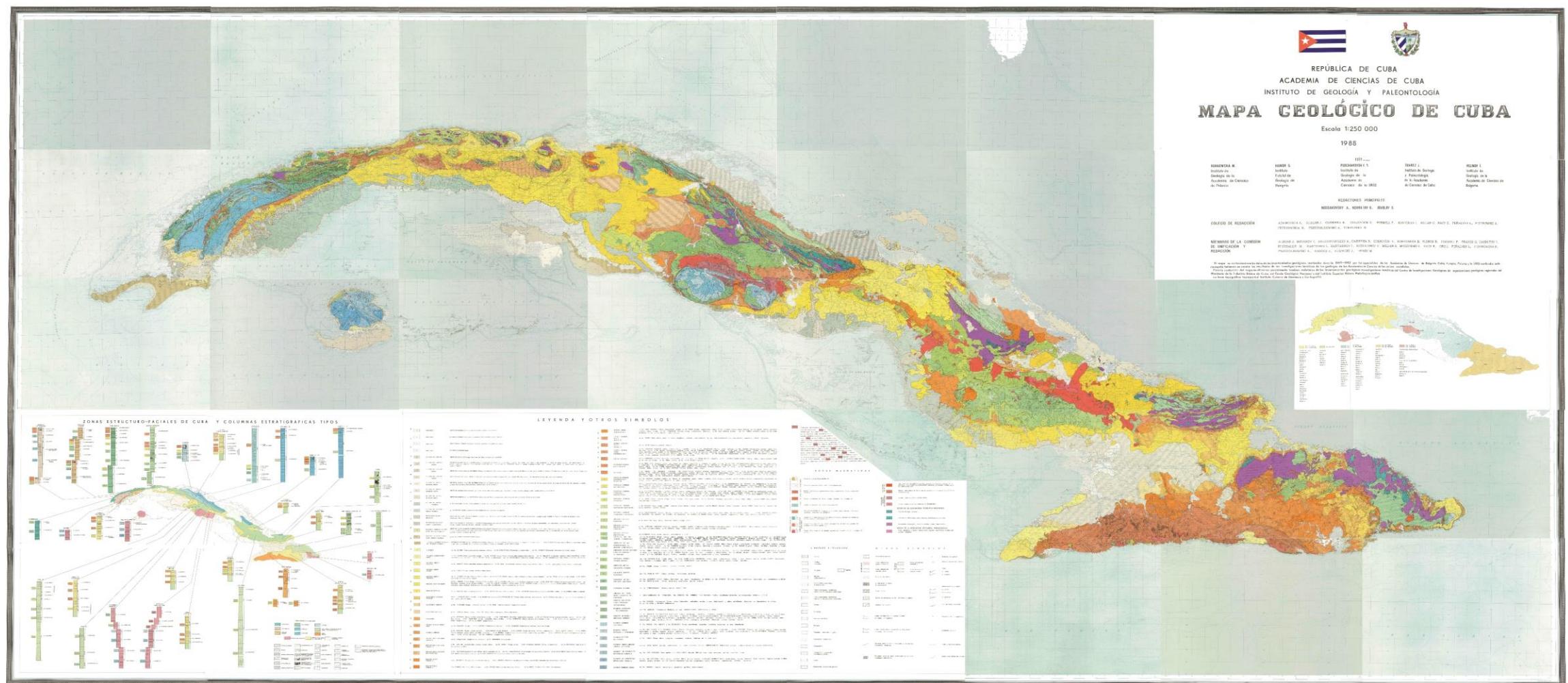


**Under direction of scientific commission integrated by Academies of Sciences of Cuba and USSR.  
A consortium of the Academies of Sciences of Cuba, Bulgaria, Poland, Hungary, Rumania and the  
USSR (1969 - 1981)**

# Geological Map of Cuba

scale 1:250 000  
1988

• Second half of the XX Century

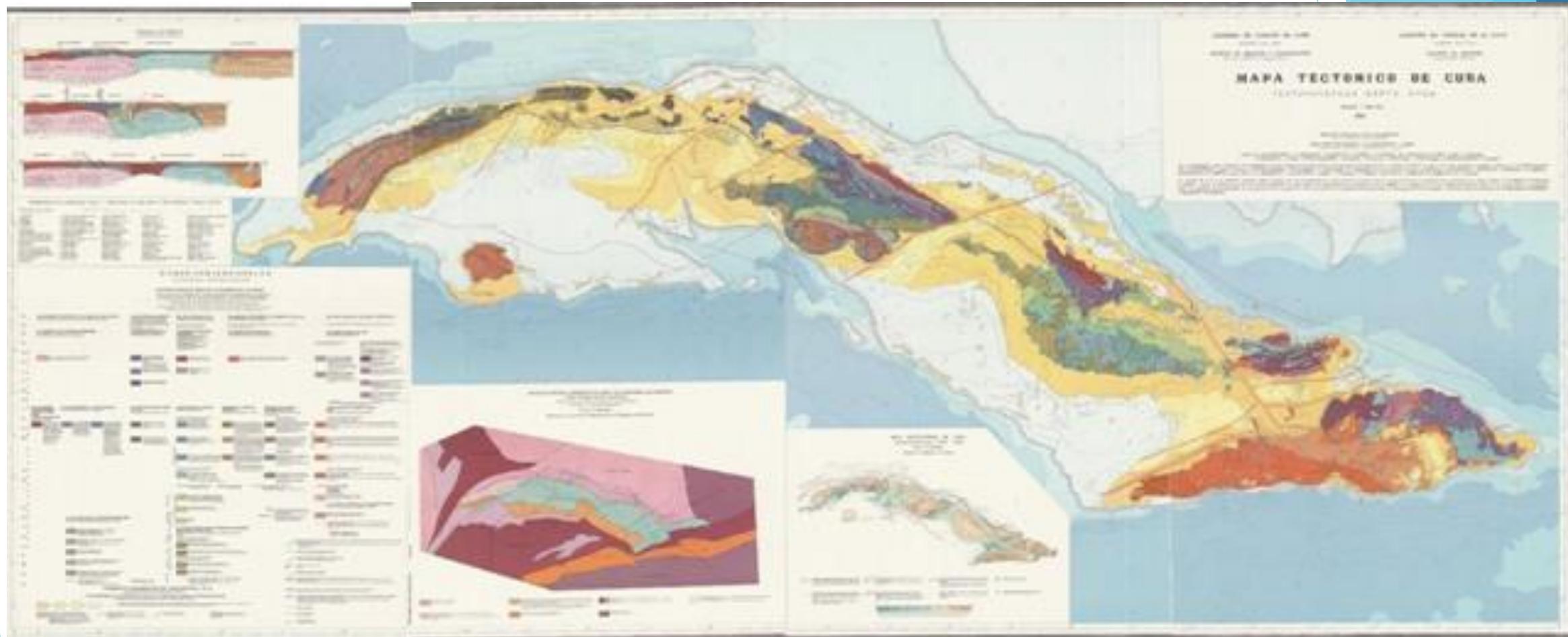


Academies of Sciences of Cuba, Bulgaria, Poland, Hungary, Rumania and the USSR (printer in USSR)

# Tectonic Map of Cuba

scale 1:500 000  
1989

- Second half of the XX Century

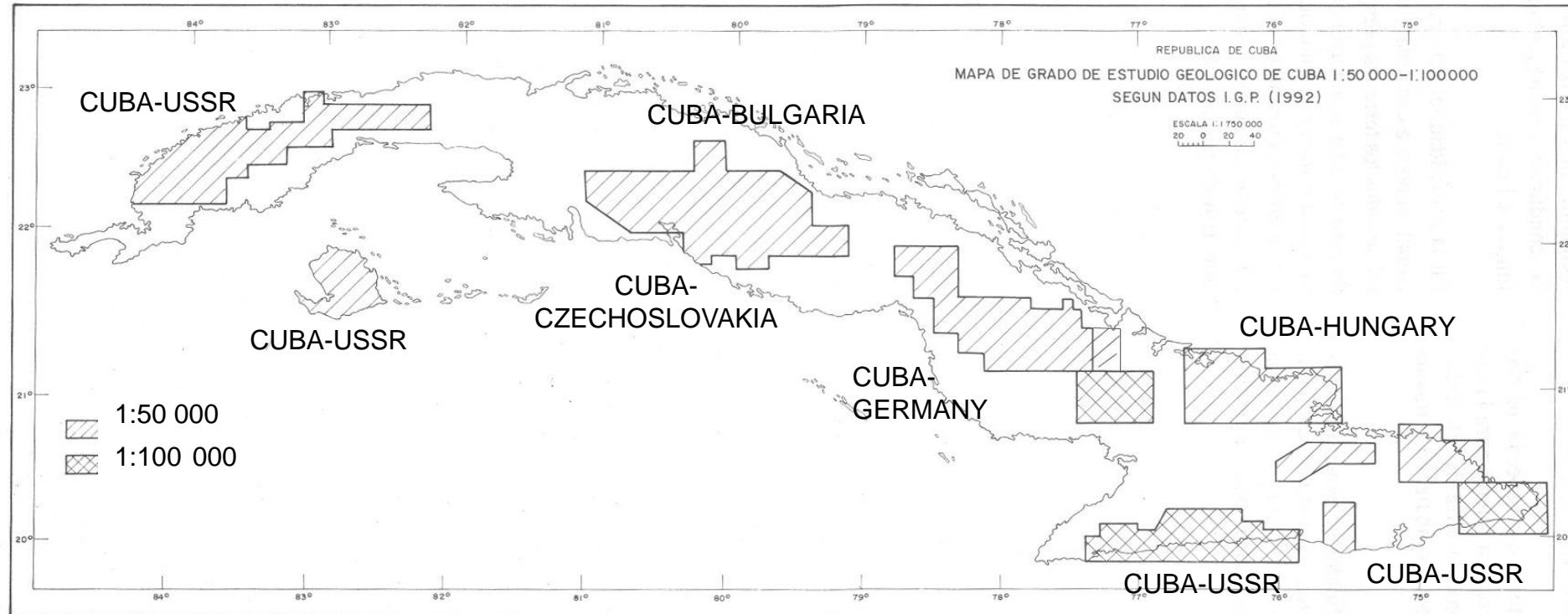


Sciences Academies of USSR and Cuba  
Pushcharovsky, Yu., Mossakovsky, A., Nekrasov, G., Sokolov, S., M. Iturralde-Vinent, et al.

# Complex Geological Mapping

escala 1:100 000 + 1: 50 000  
1981-1994

- Second half of the XX Century



**Only inside perspective areas of the country for localization and exploration of mineral resources. Applying geophysical and geochemical field methods in cooperation with the geological surveys of USSR, Germany, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria**

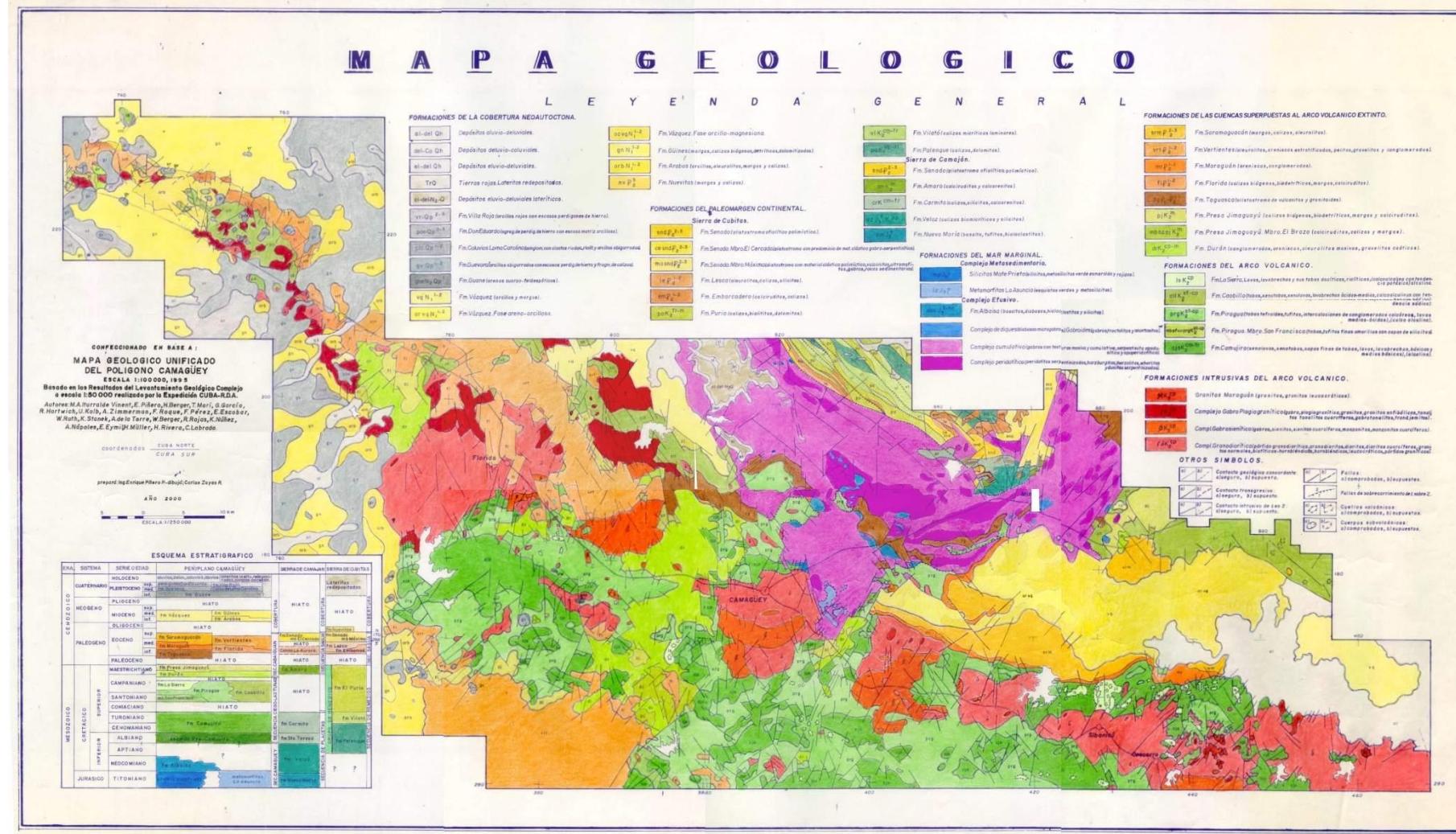
# **Geological Map of Central Cuba**

## **scale 1:50 000**

### **1986-1989**

## • Second half of the XX Century

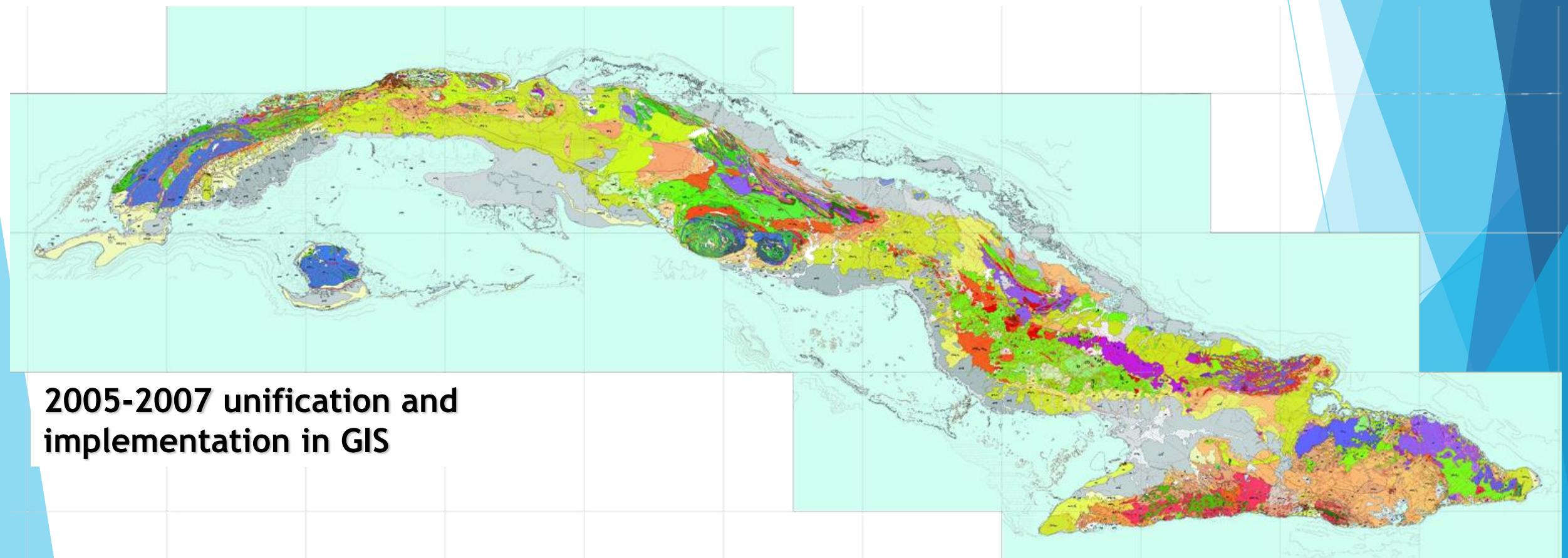
**1:50 000 scale cartography covers only slightly more than 38 % of the Cuban territory**



**Synthesis and compilation work**  
**scale 1:100 000**  
**1994 - 2005**

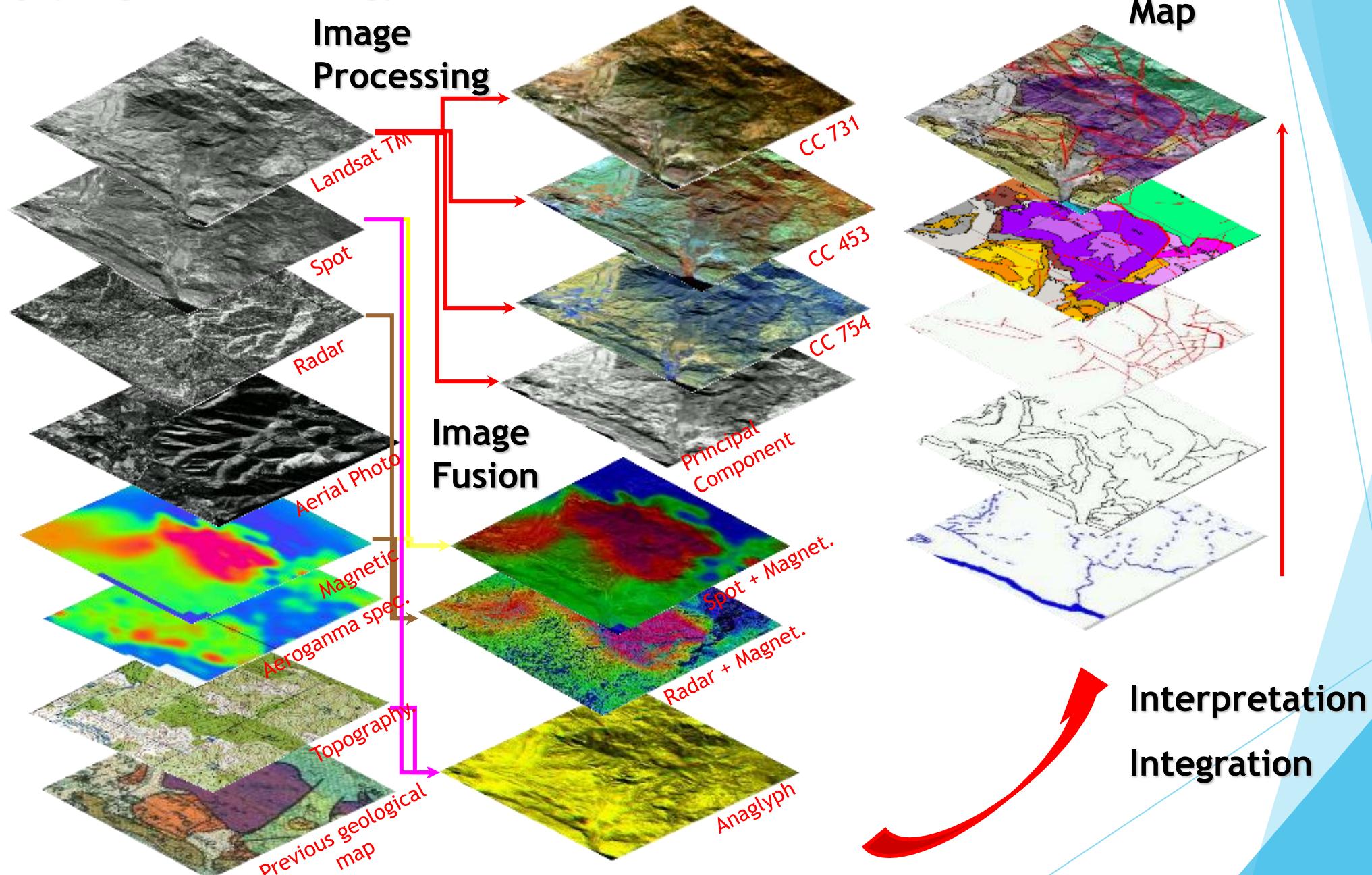
• XXI Century

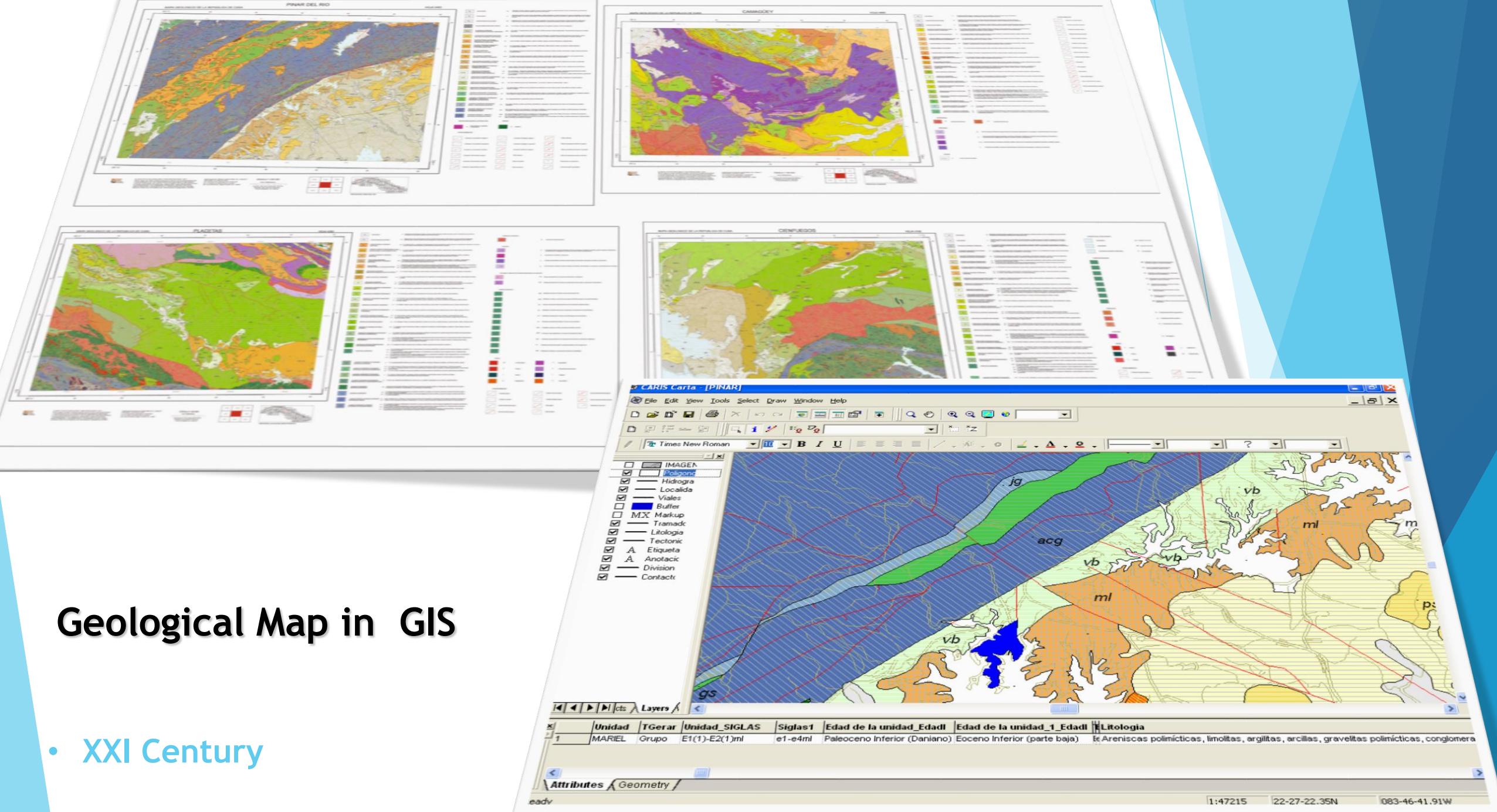
**Digital Geological Map of Cuban Republic**  
**scale 1:100 000**



**2005-2007 unification and  
implementation in GIS**

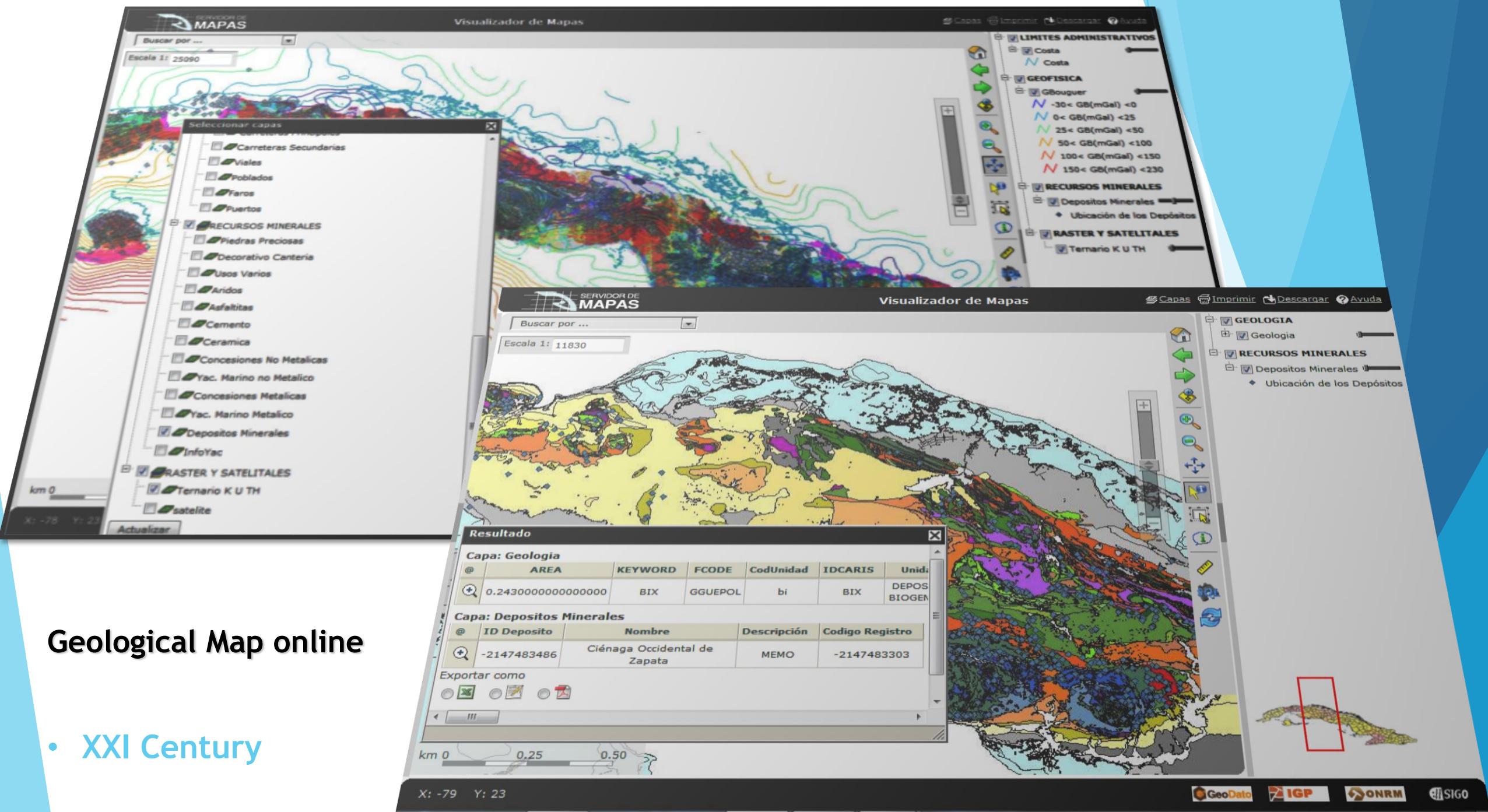
# Applying Methodology





## Geological Map in GIS

- XXI Century

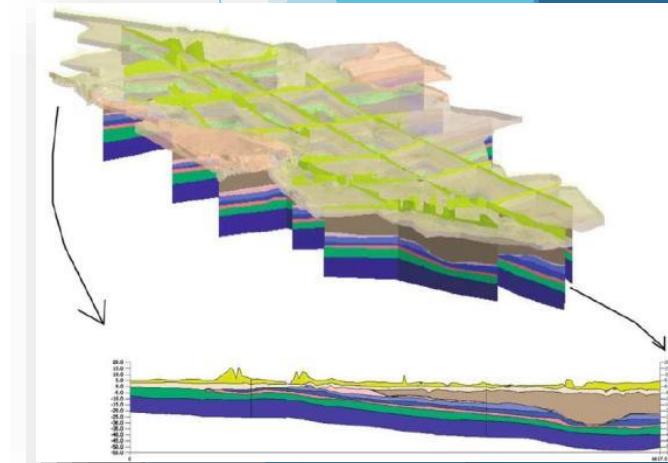


## Geological Map online

- XXI Century

## Tasks for the next future

- ▶ Complete the geological mapping scale 1:50 000, for 100% of the land and marine areas (2017-2030),
- ▶ Update the thematic maps (tectonic, geophysics, metallic and industrial minerals, active processes, etc.)
- ▶ Contribute to OneGeology (1:1 000 000),
- ▶ Prepare GIS products,
- ▶ Elaborate 3D maps for specific regions,
- ▶ We are open to cooperation with research institutions and government agencies worldwide.





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**Muchas gracias!!**

