

ESDA, Data Modelling & Evaluation of Uncertainty

ArcGIS Geostatistical Analyst[™] 10 (beta) and G&G software packages

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Presentation plan

- Project background & scope
- Proposed workflow & tools
- Workflow in Geostatistical Analyst[™] 10 (GA 10)
- G&G applications
- Results
- Conclusions and recommendations

Background

- Derive 2D surfaces from sparsely, discrete data
- Variety of tools and functionality
 - Most GIS applications
 - G&G packages
- E&P workflows often miss data analysis and evaluation of uncertainty
- Limited knowledge of quality of the results and reliability of the models

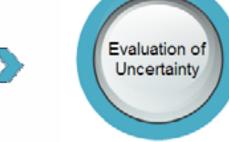
Project scope

- General workflow and tools for
 - Exploratory spatial data analysis (ESDA)
 - 2D interpolation
 - Evaluation of uncertainty
- Explore functionality and tools available in
 - ESRI ArcGIS GA 10
 - G&G applications widely used in the E&P industry
 - Application 1
 - Application 2

Workflow & tools







Univariate

- Histogram
- Summary statistics
- Normal QQ plot
- Cumulative frequency plot

Multivariate

- QQ plot
- Scatterplot, conditional expectation curve
- Covariation of multiple variables

Anomalies & multiple populations

- Moving windows statistics
- Data transformation
- Voronoi diagram

Spatial continuity & directional influences

- Trend analysis
- Semivariogram/ covariance surface
- Anisotropy

Global estimators

- Declustering tools
- Global polynomials/ Trend surface

Local estimators

Deterministic

Search strategy tools

Without barriers

- Smooth
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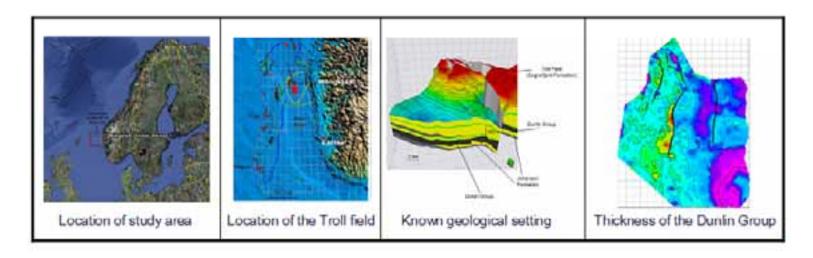
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Spatial distribution

- Spatial distribution of residuals
- Simulation

Test dataset

Dataset of geological variables derived from published data (*)



Advantages

- Focus on E&P variables
- Horizon's geological model validated and published by a trusted source
- Geological setting includes barriers (faults)

Derived continuous variables

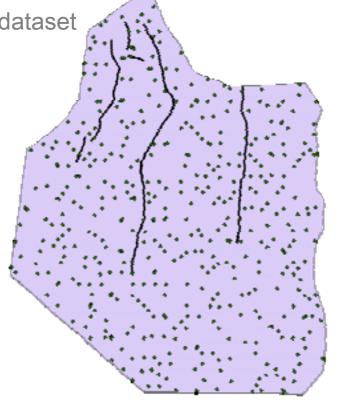
- Two continuous variables derived from the thickness of the Dunlin Group
 - V1: variance of thickness within the sampling cell (*)
 - V2: function of variance and mean within the sampling cell
- Stratified random sampling strategy to have:

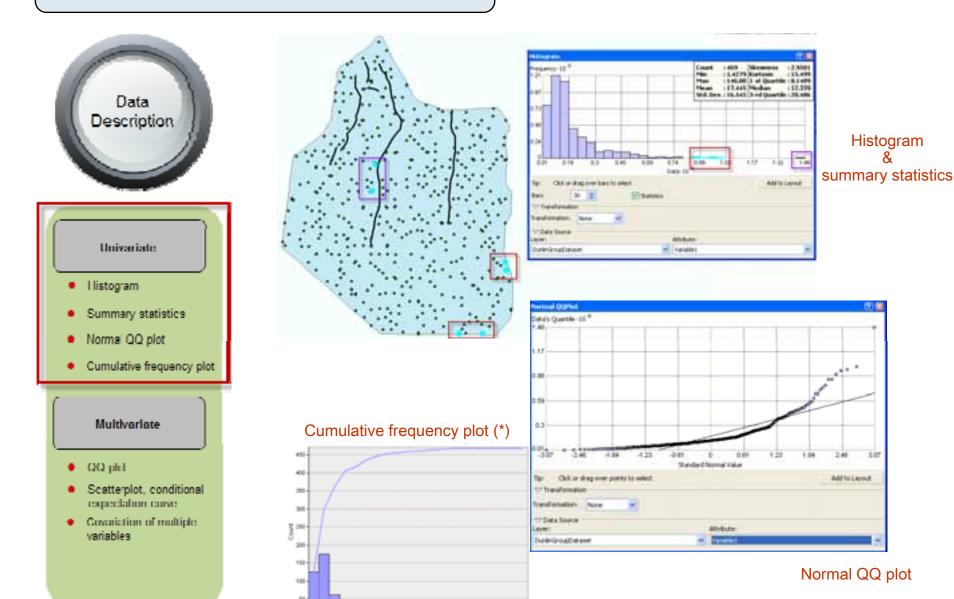
Uneven spatial distribution of points in input dataset

All value classes equally represented in input dataset

A proxy for field-scale & regional studies

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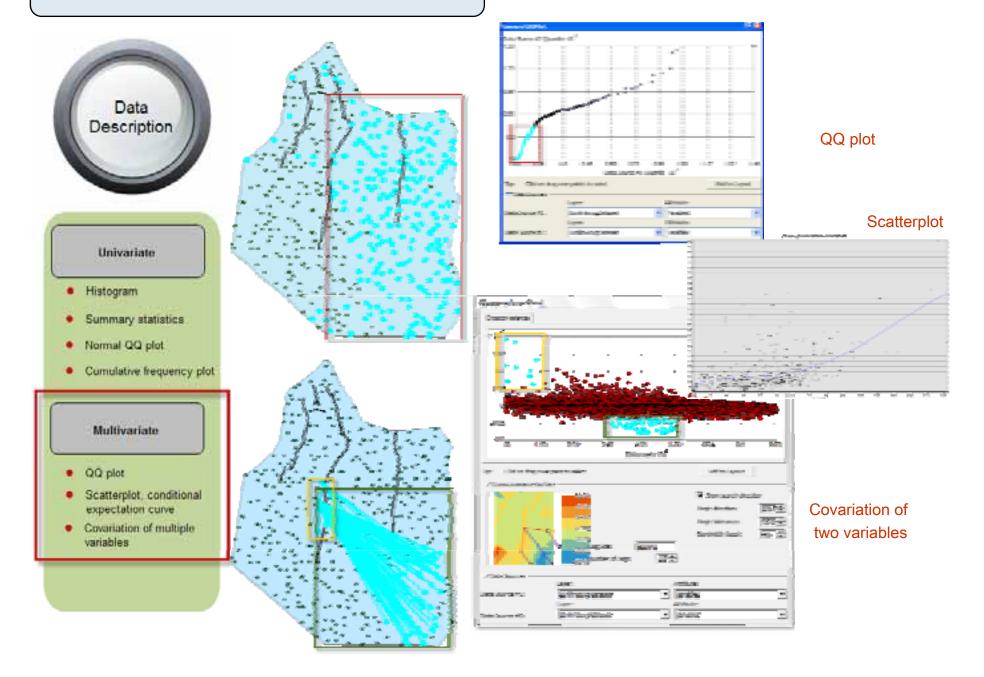


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(63.42, 79.306)

(139.100, 146.076)

(*) Graph tool in ArcMap





What we've learnt:

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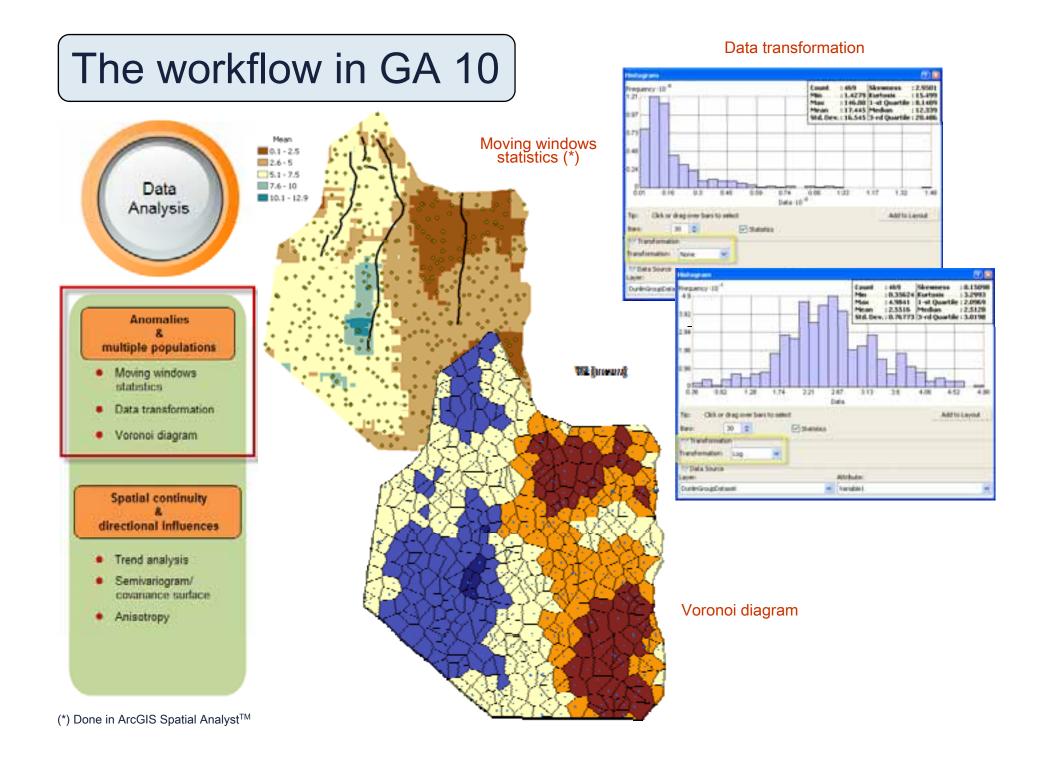
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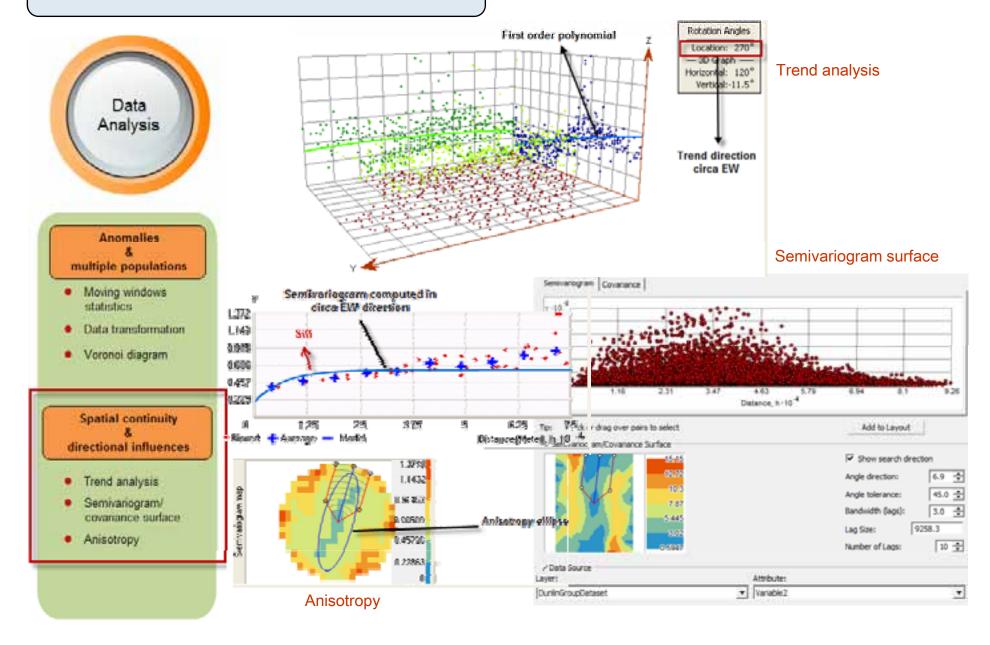
Univariate description:

- Highly skewed distribution for V1, far from normal (Gaussian) and close to log-normal
- Distribution of V2 much closer to normal

Multivariate description:

- Non-linearity in joint variation of V1 and V2
- Inter-variable spatial correlation is maximum in ~
 NS direction







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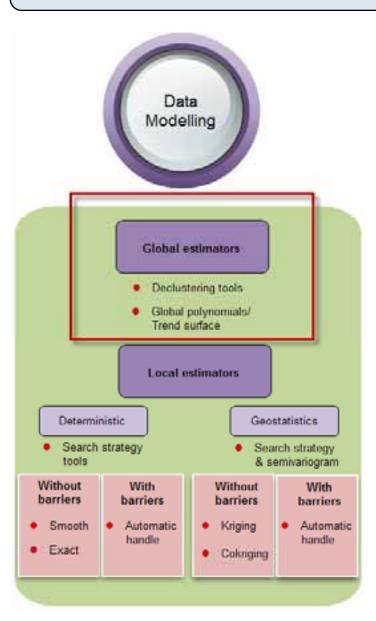
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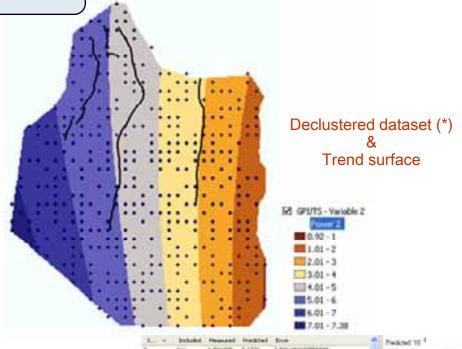
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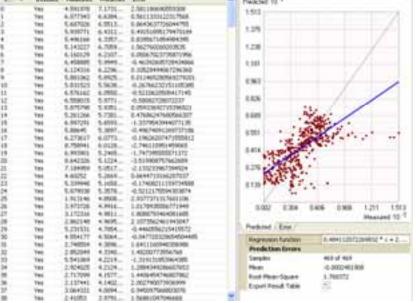
Anomalies & multiple populations

- Stationarity assumption not met (V1). Source to be investigated further
- Possibly two populations for V2
- Spatial continuity & directional influences
 - First order trend ~ EW affecting V2
 - Autocorrelation is directional-dependent for V1 (anisotropy)

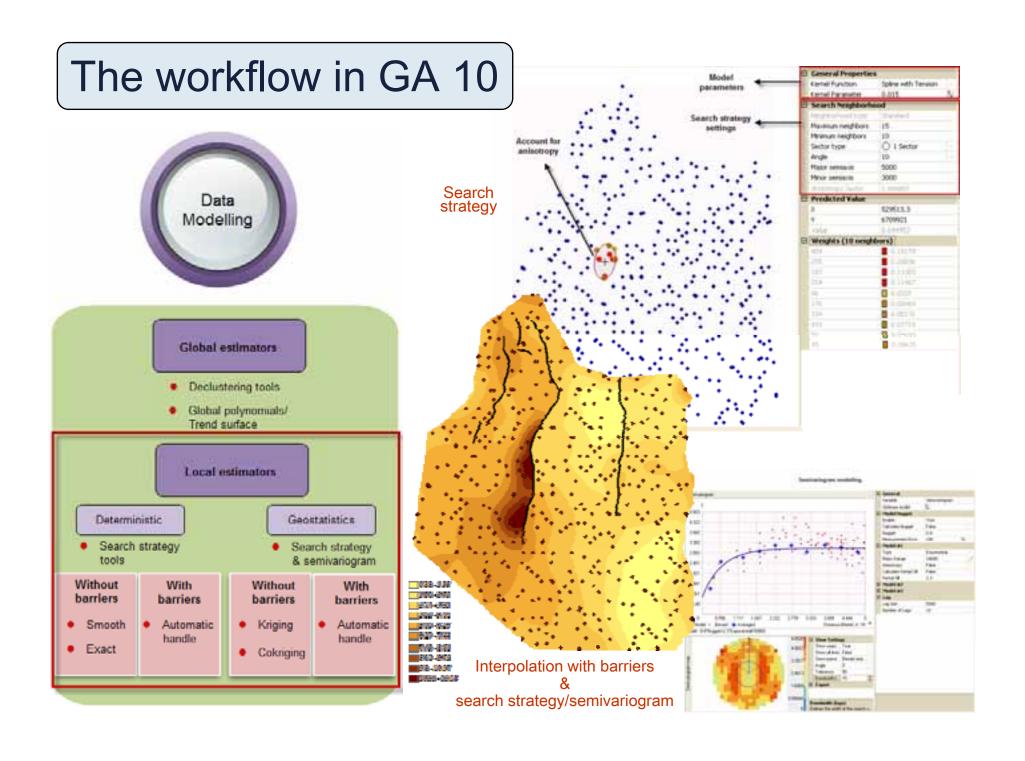


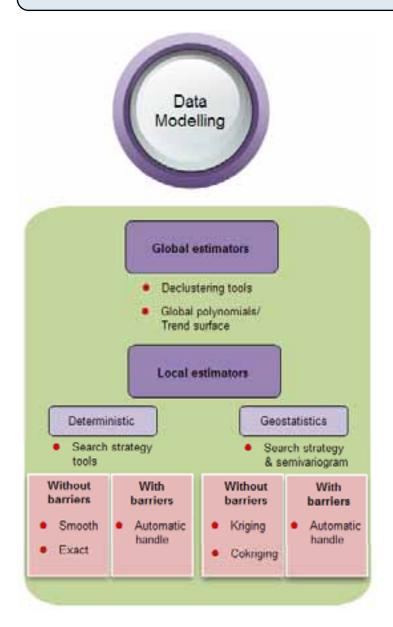


Cross-validation statistics & plots



(*) Done in ArcGIS Spatial Analyst™

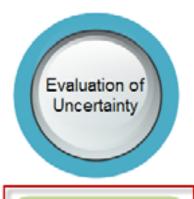




What we've done:

- Generated models for V1 & V2
 - Global estimators
 - Local estimators (deterministic & geostatistical)

- Two modelling approaches
 - Quick & Dirty
 - Customisation of modelling parameters

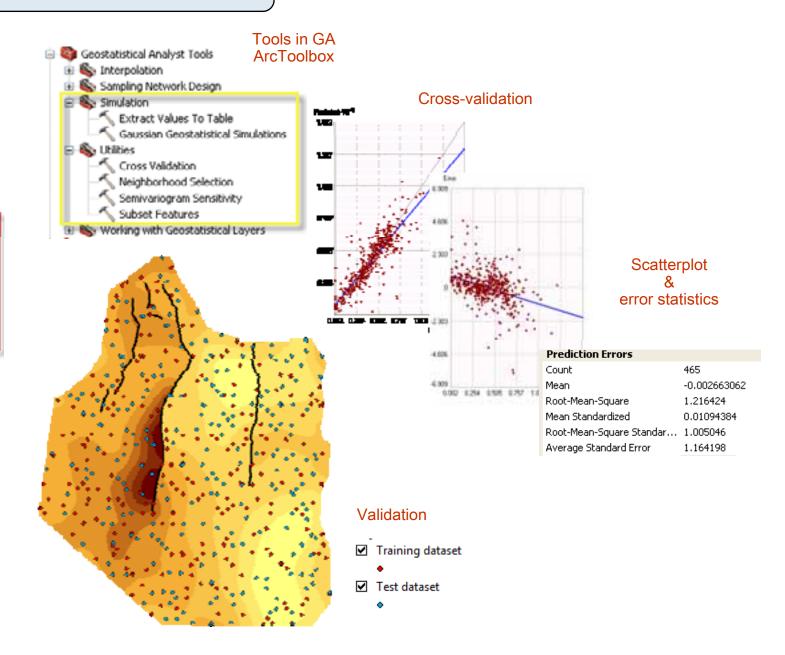


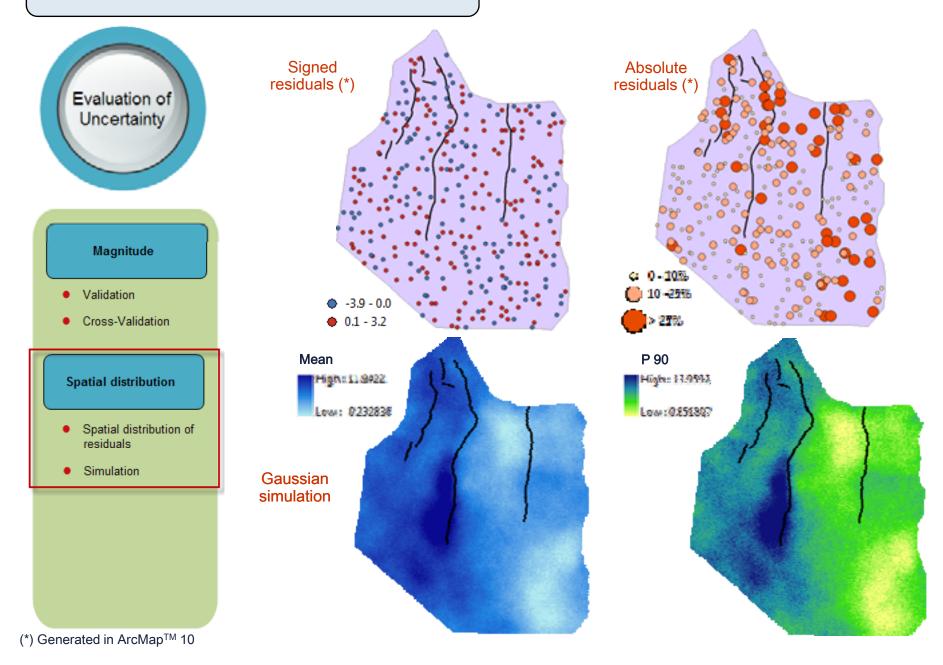
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What we've learnt:

- Identified models for which residuals are less biased
- For each model, identified areas with highest values of uncertainty
- Include stochastic concepts to deal with the uncertainty of the modelling process through simulation

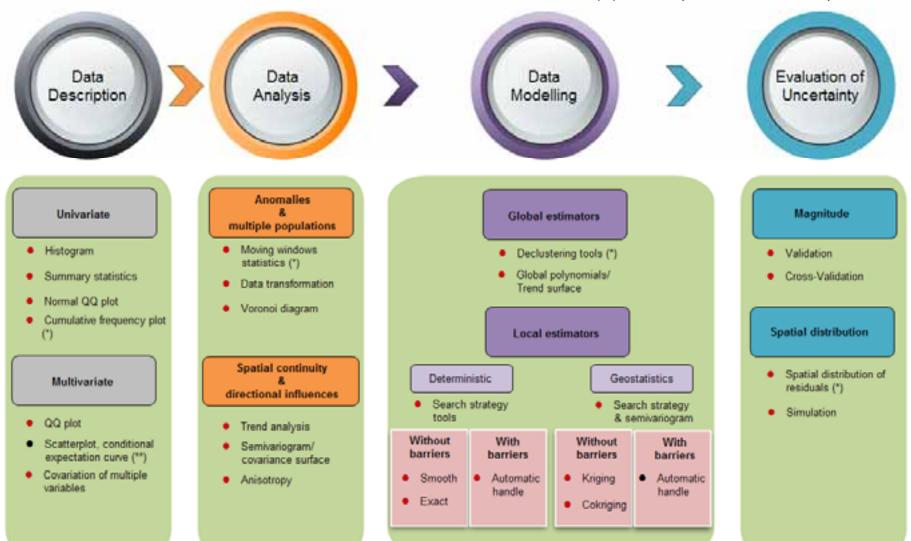
Summary: GA 10

- Rich set of tools throughout the whole workflow
- Capability of building advanced spatial models to account for complex spatial behaviours
- Quality of the output
 - Interaction of tools
 - Excellent graphic
- Good "Help" and description of the scientific approach to modelling
- However:
 - Limited capability of including faults

Summary: GA 10

Key:

- Available in GA 10
- Not available in GA 10
- (*) Available in ArcGIS (ArcMap)
- (**) Scatterplot available as Graph tool



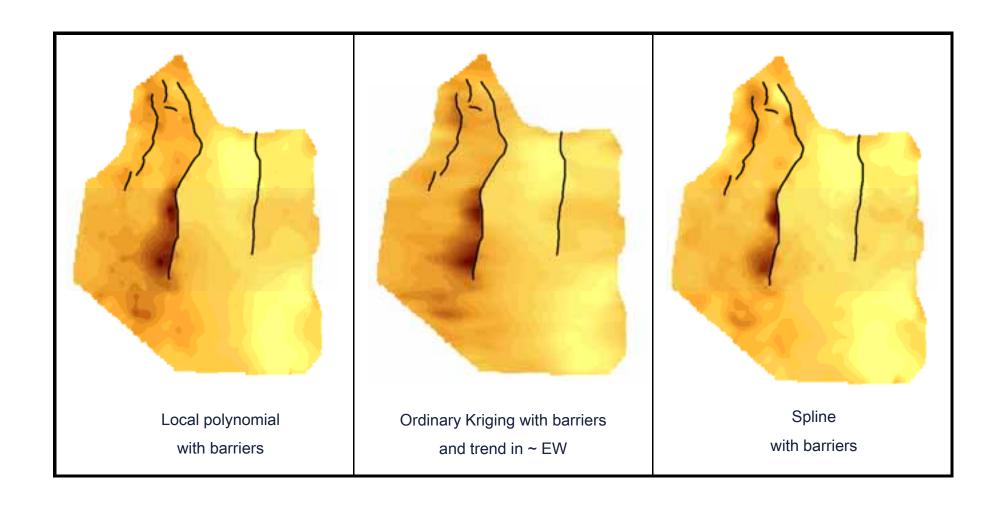
G & G applications: general

- Follow the proposed workflow by using tools available in tested application
- Derive the same complex spatial models as done in ArcGIS GA by using variety of available algorithms
 - 'Quick & Dirty'
 - Uses mostly default settings
 - Little or no customisation
 - Common custom parameters
 - Customising model parameters
- Comparison of model uncertainty with results obtained in GA 10

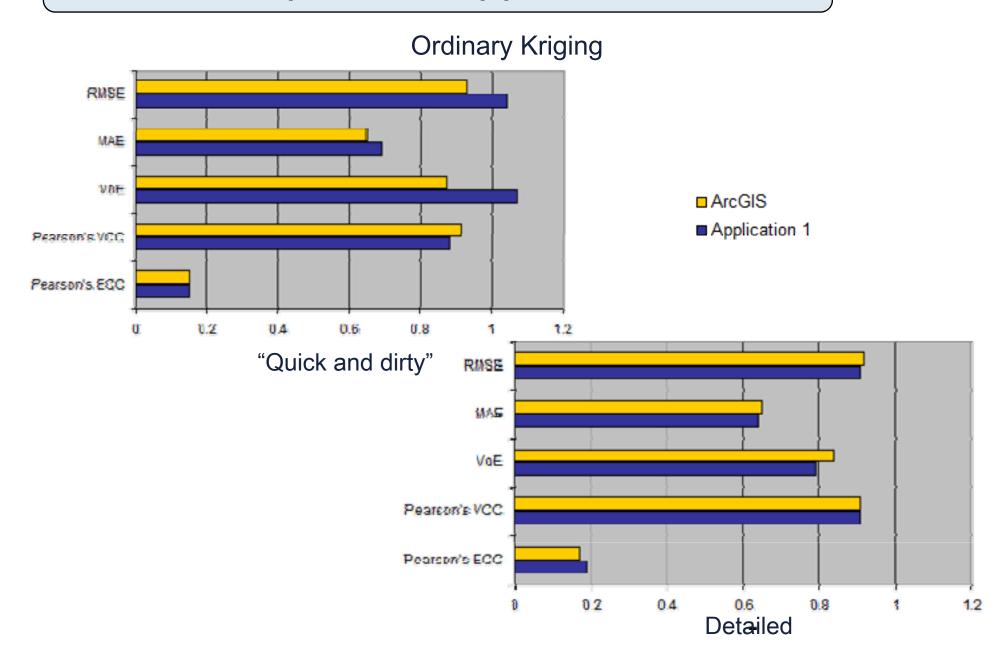
Application 1 & 2: overview

- Good number of algorithms available (deterministic and geostatistics)
- Can automatically handle faults with any local interpolator
- Very few tools for data exploration and analysis (essentially Histogram)
- Limitations in the number of customisable modelling parameters
- Kriging error maps are the only evaluation of uncertainty tool

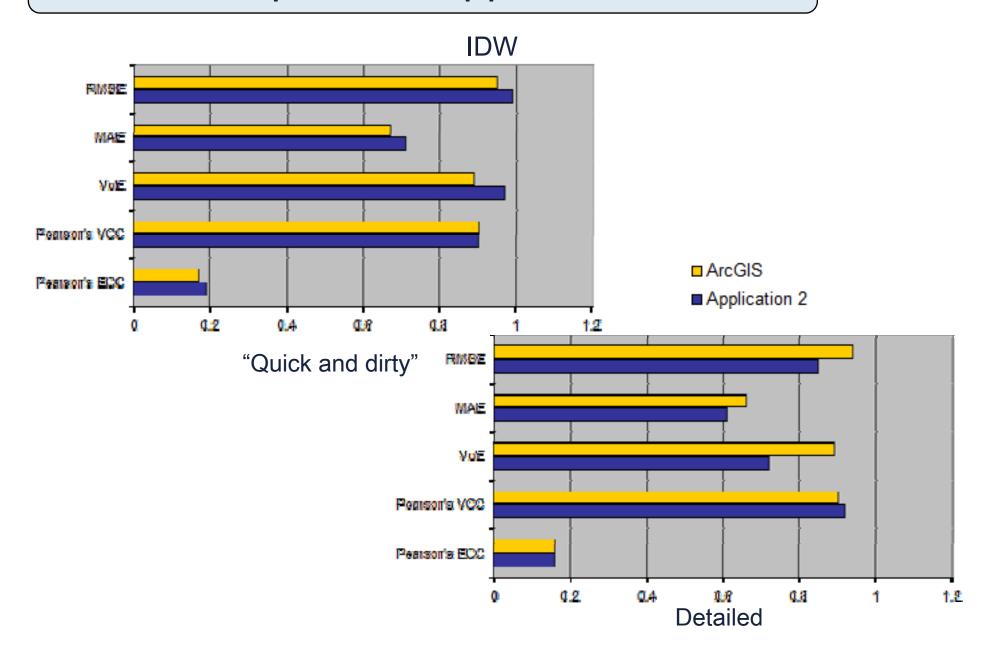
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Models comparison: Application 1 & GA



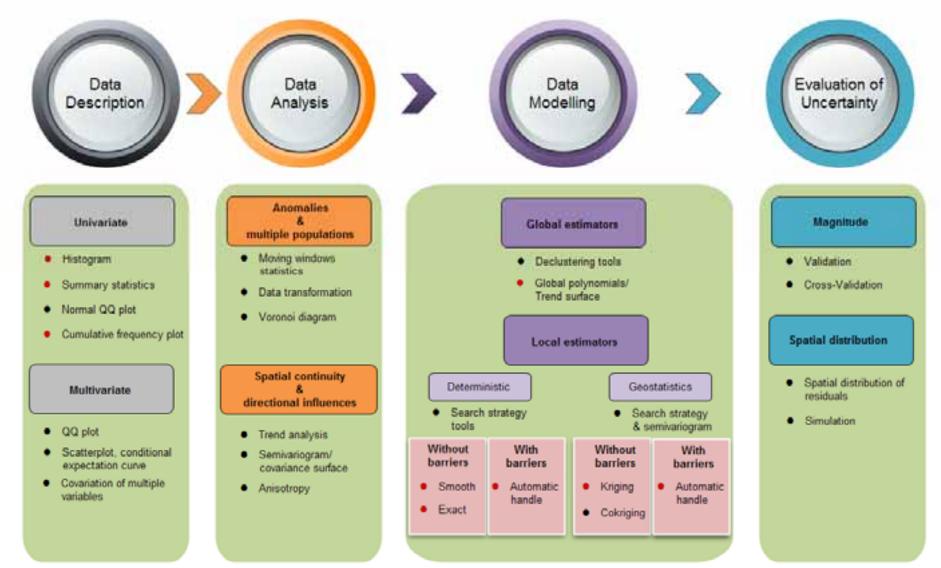
Models comparison: Application 2 & GA



Summary: Application 1 & 2

Key:

- Available in Application 1 & 2
- Not available in Application 1 & 2



Summary

- GA 10 compares very favourably with established mapping applications in the E&P industry
- ArcGIS viable alternative to other mapping applications
 - Data-dependent
 - Goal-dependent
 - User knowledge-dependent
- Integrated workflow
 - GA 10 for advanced parameter customisation
 - Application 1/Application 2 for modelling (heavily faulted datasets)

Some additional thoughts

- Invest time in data analysis before attempting interpolation
- Evaluation of uncertainty as a key step within the modelling process
- Investigate performance of software packages considering alternative "data scenarios":
 - More sparse datasets
 - Well & 2D seismic data
 - More heavily faulted datasets



Thank you!

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