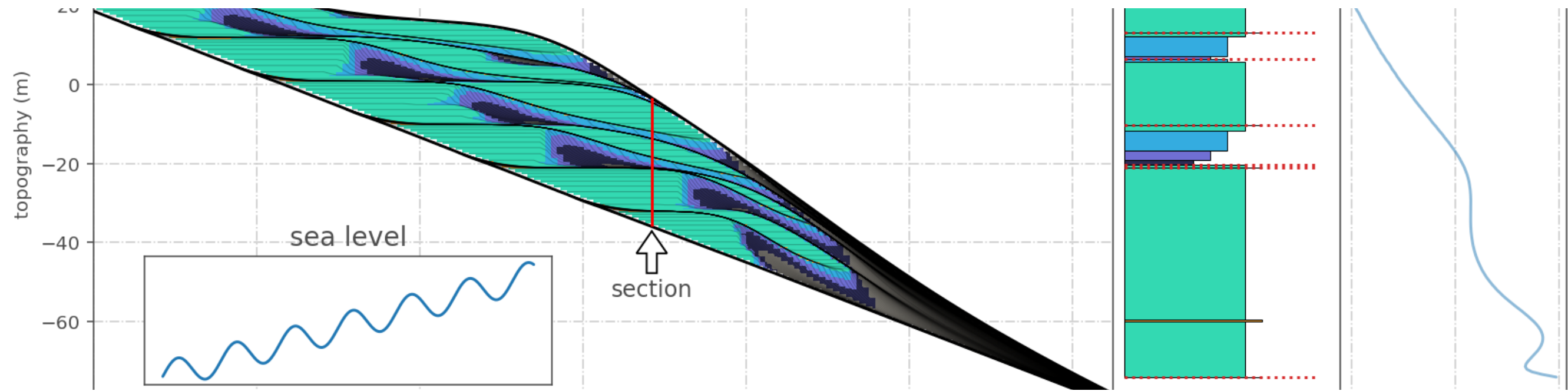




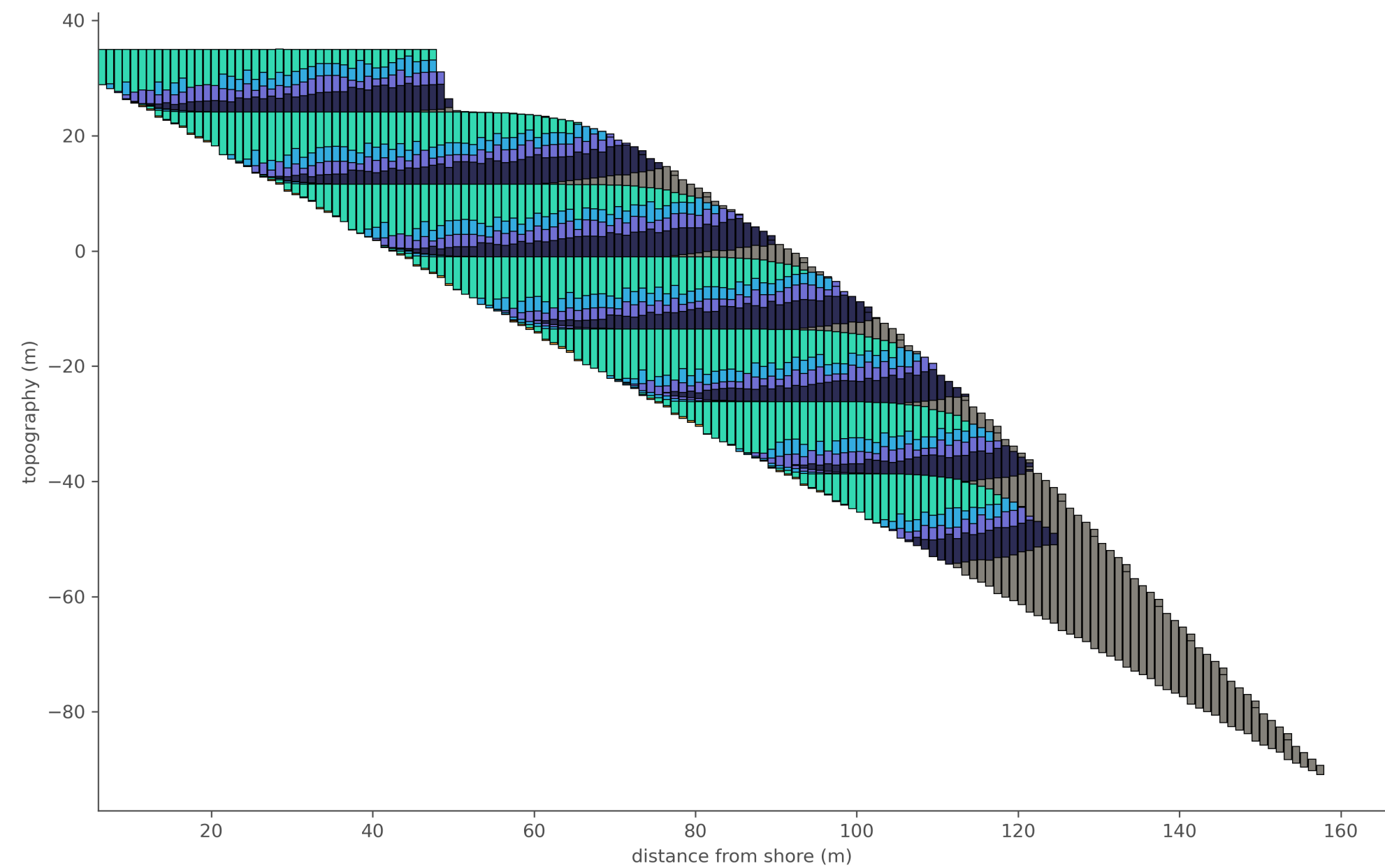
Lecture 9: Stratigraphic time part II

1. Correlative surfaces
 - A. Chronostratigraphy (Wheeler diagrams)
2. Time in the rock record
 - A. Sadler effect
3. Cyclostratigraphy

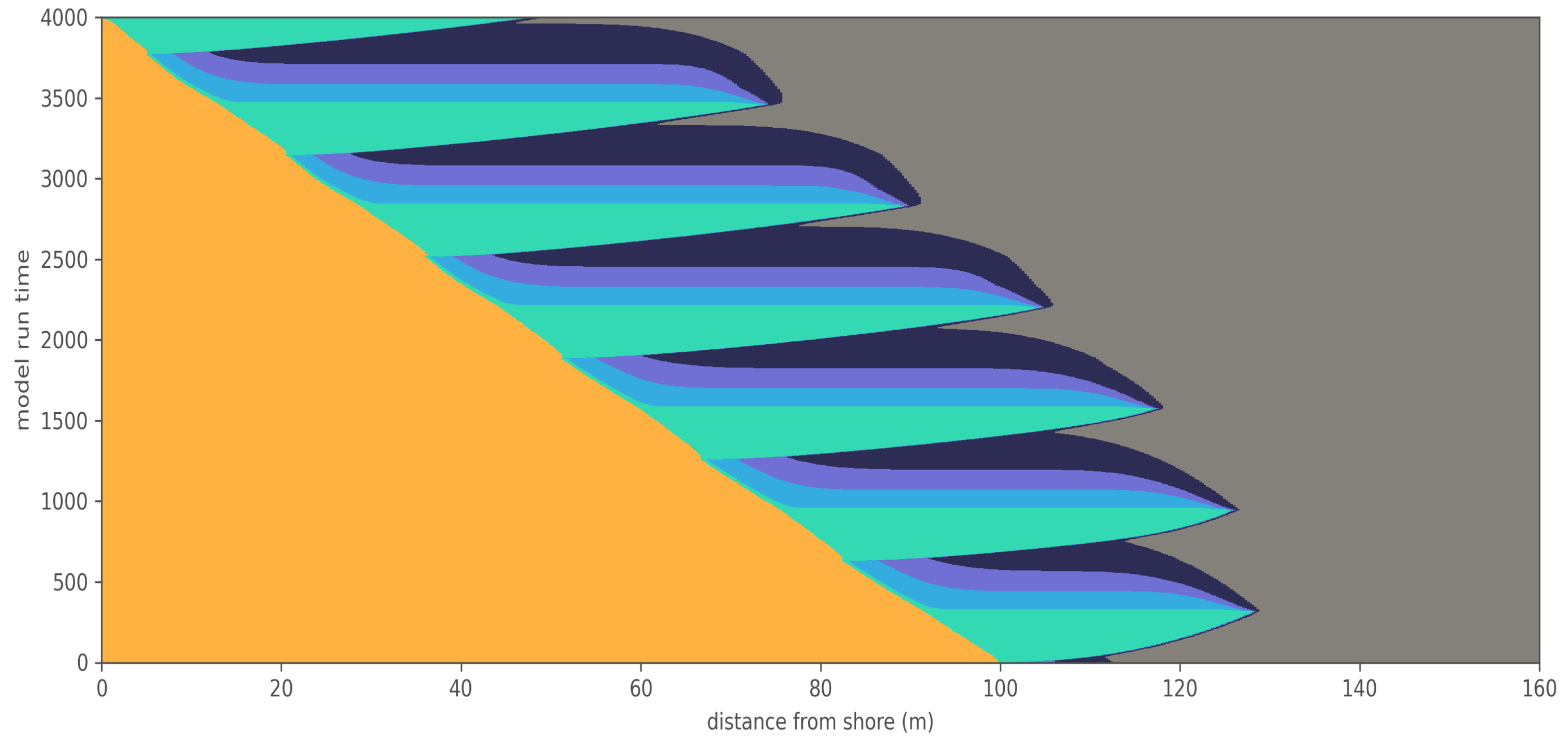
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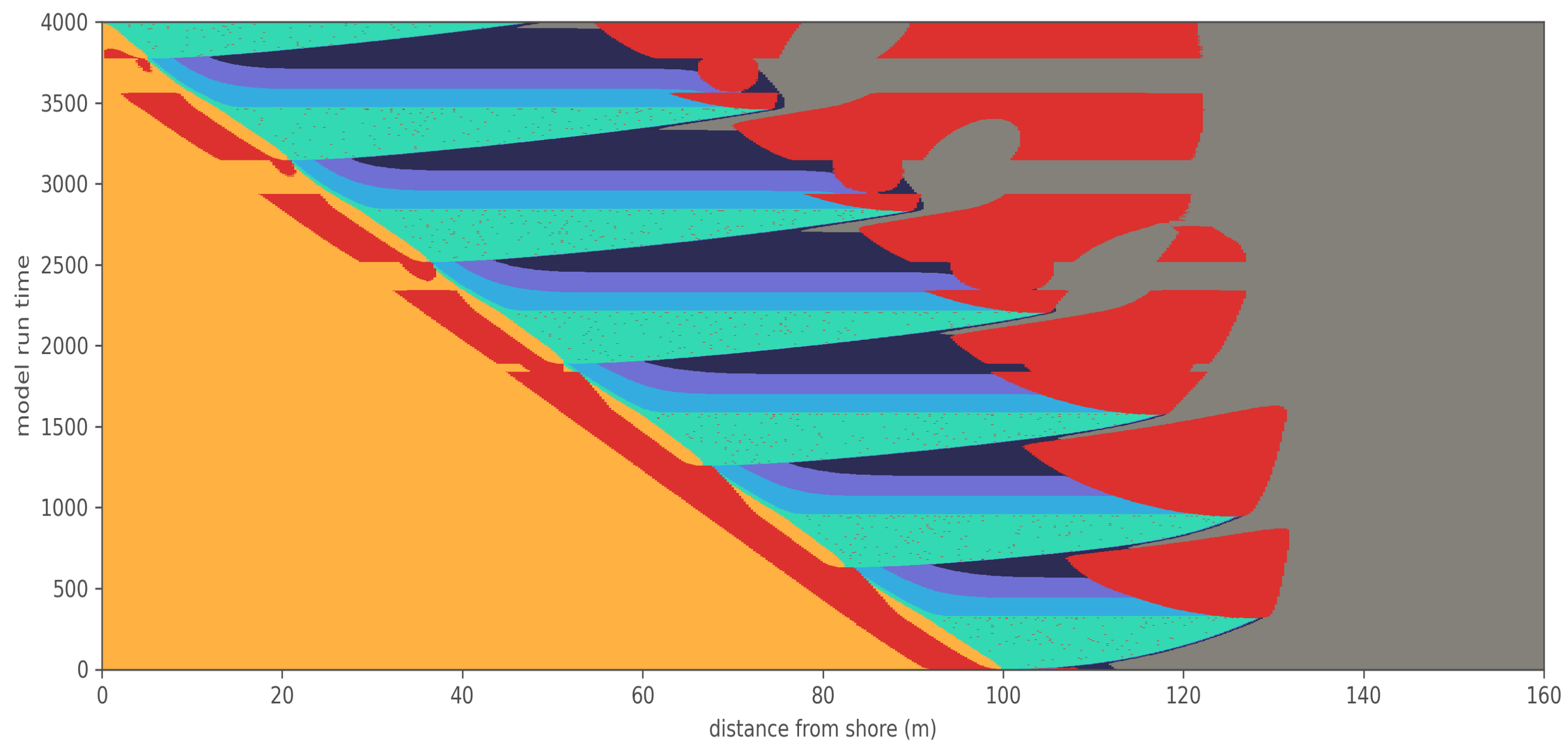
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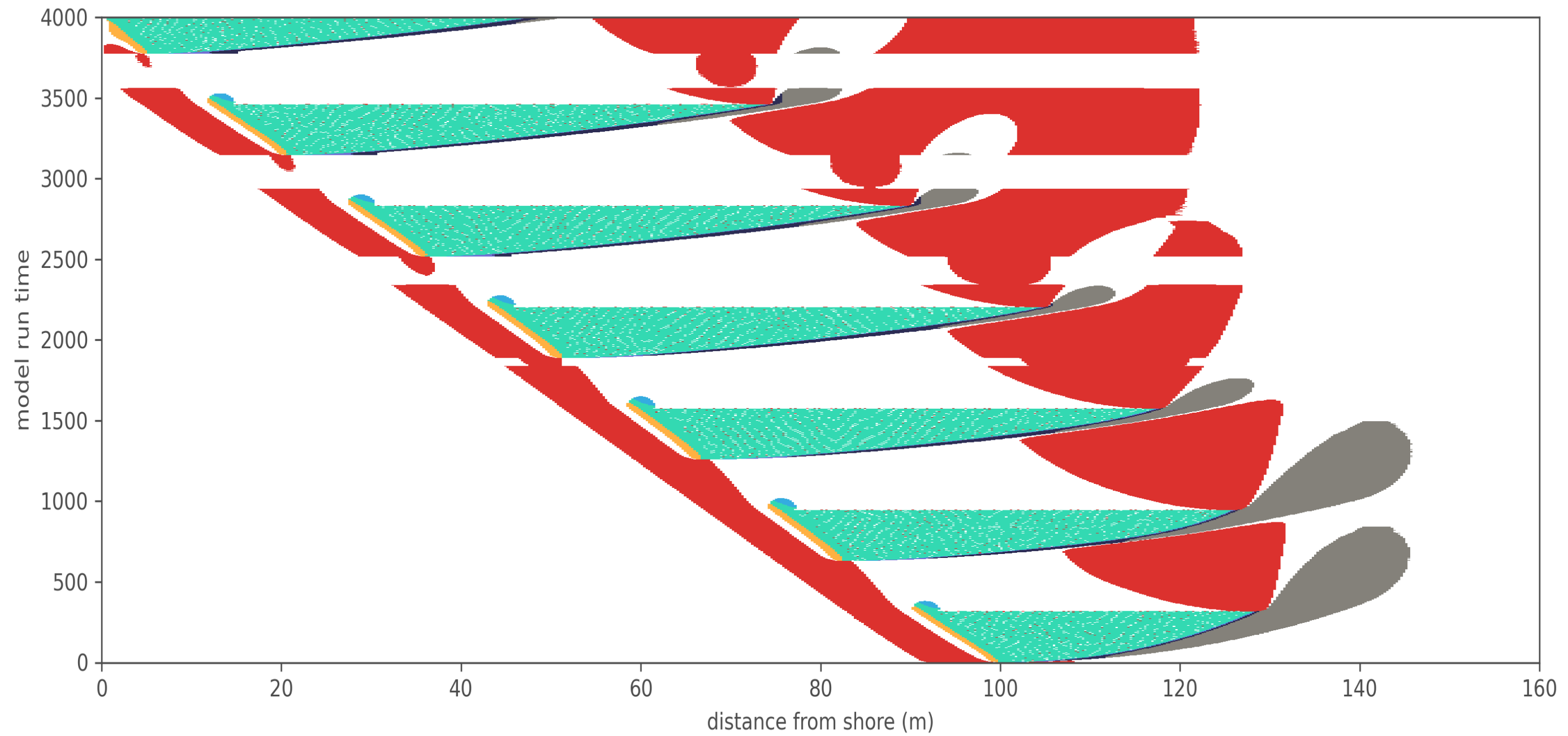
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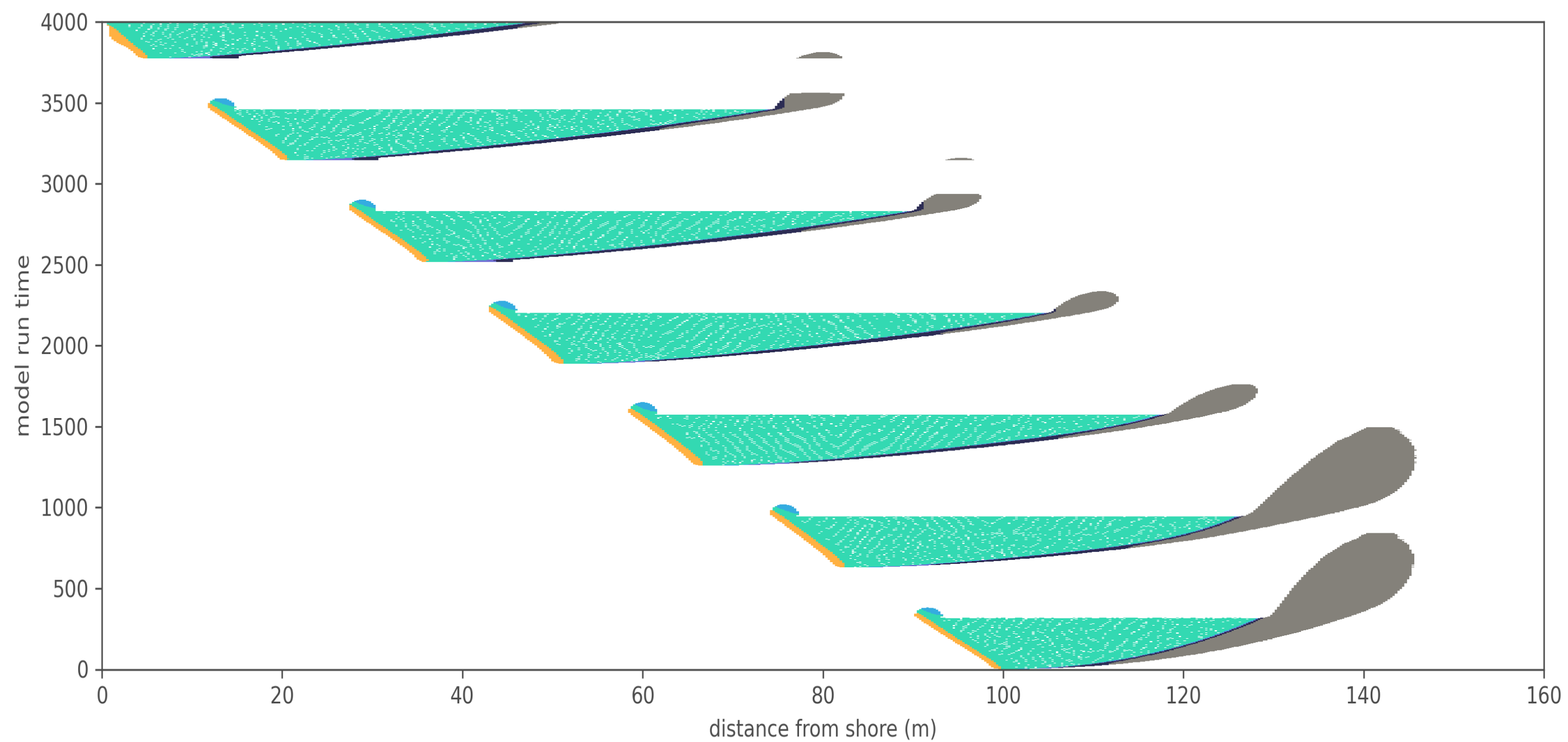
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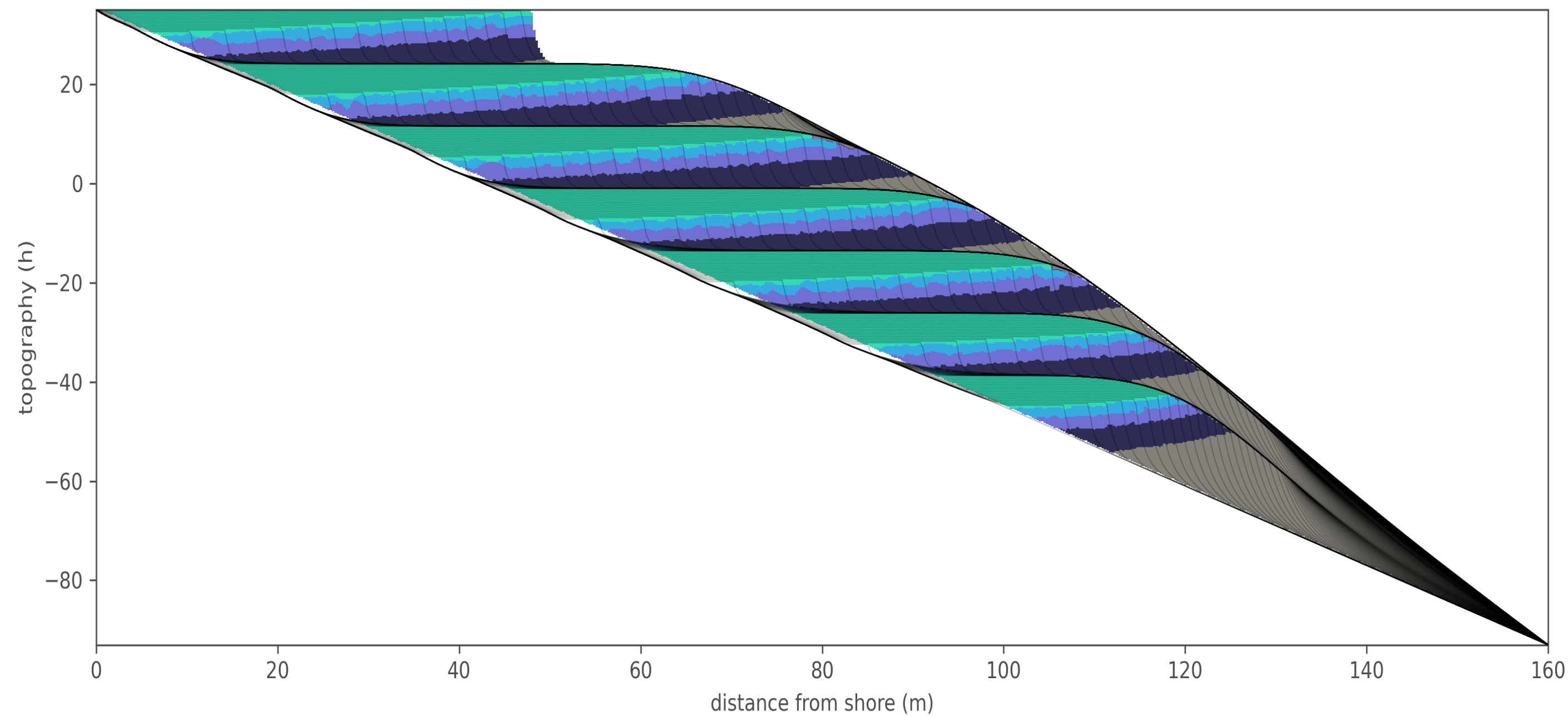
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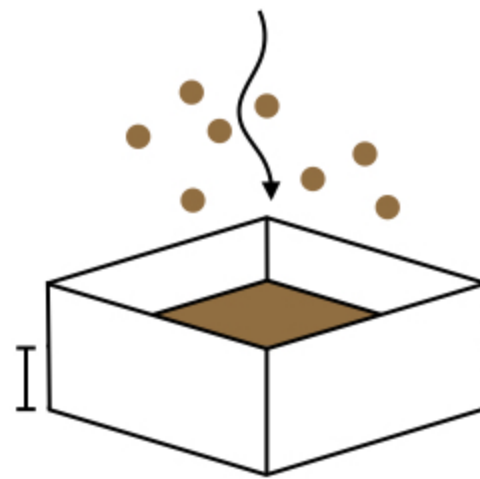
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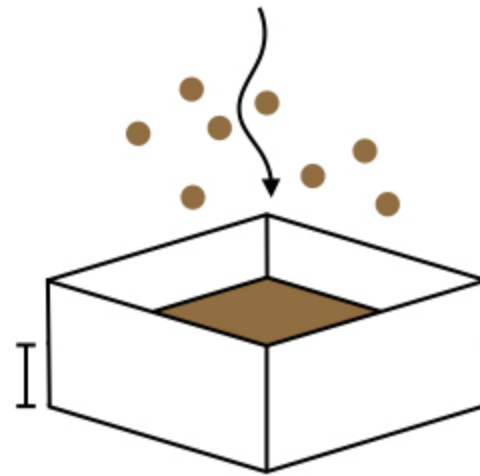
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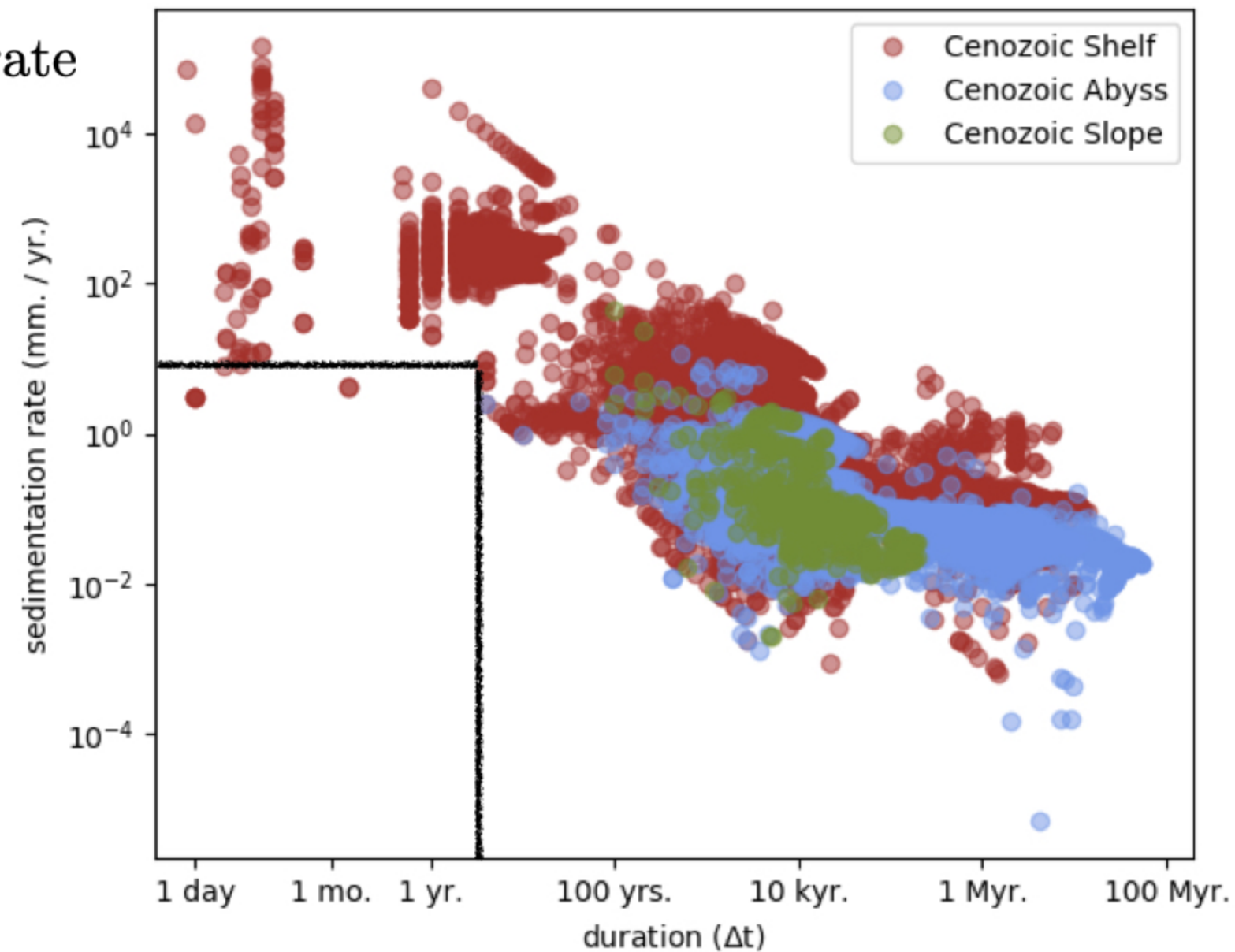
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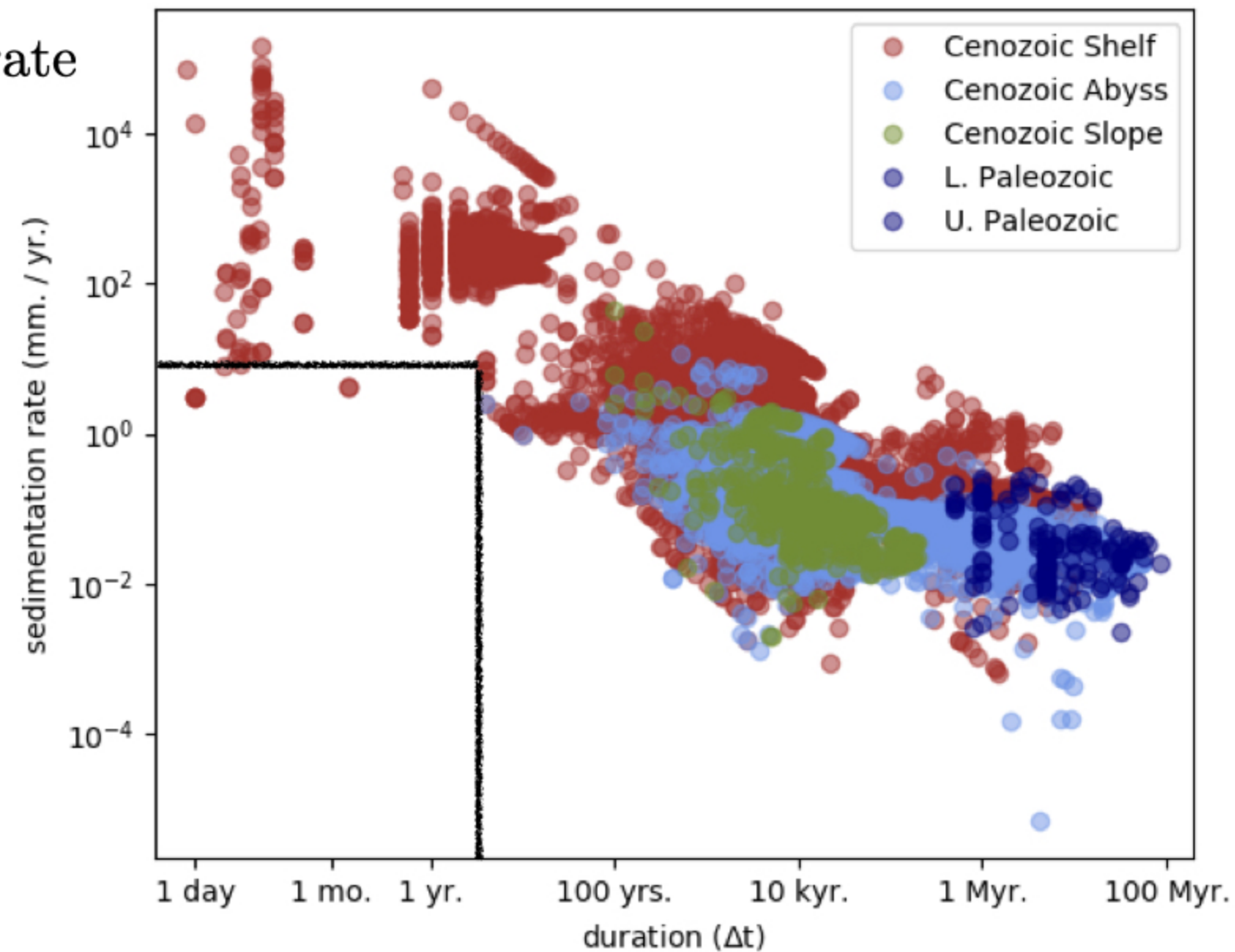
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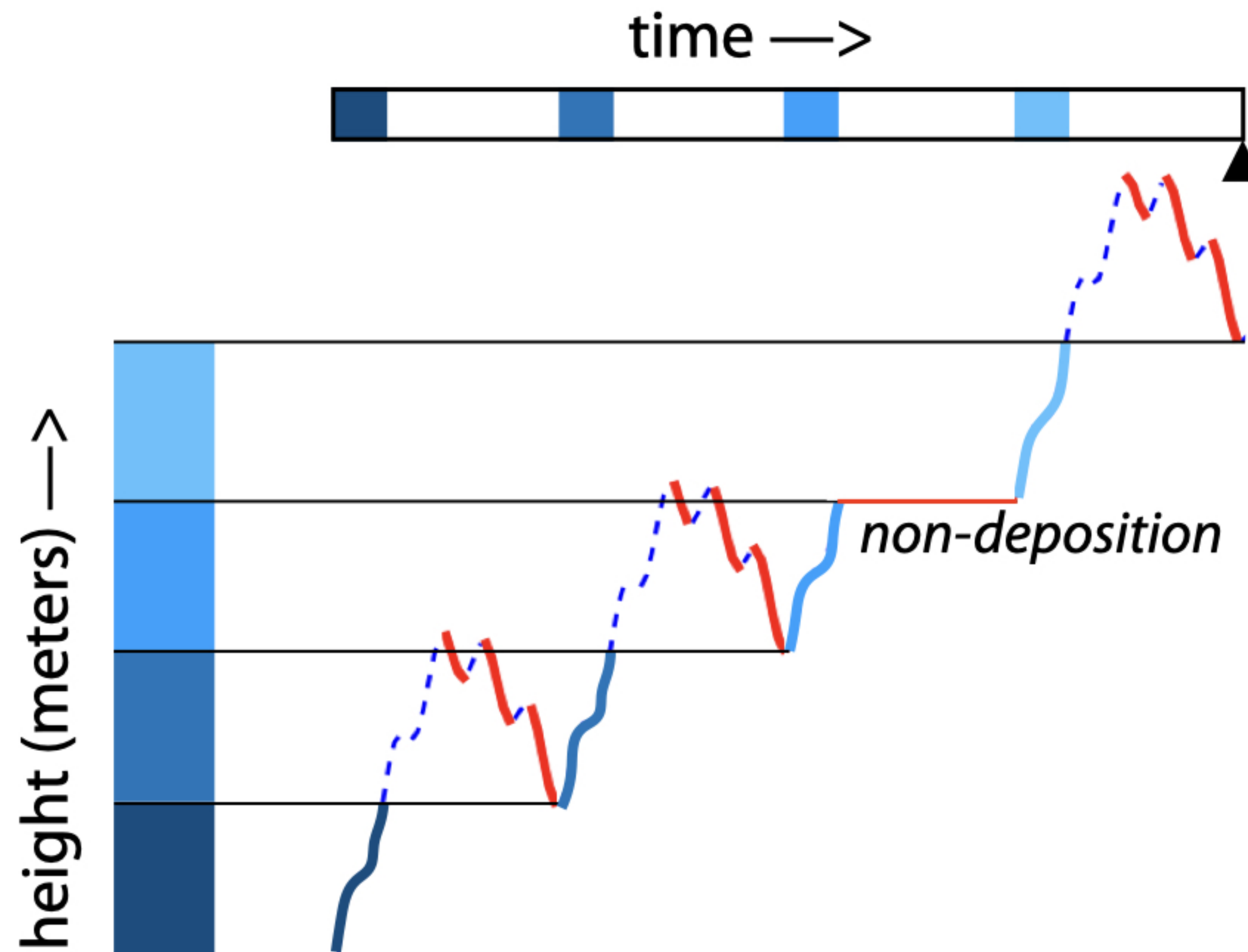
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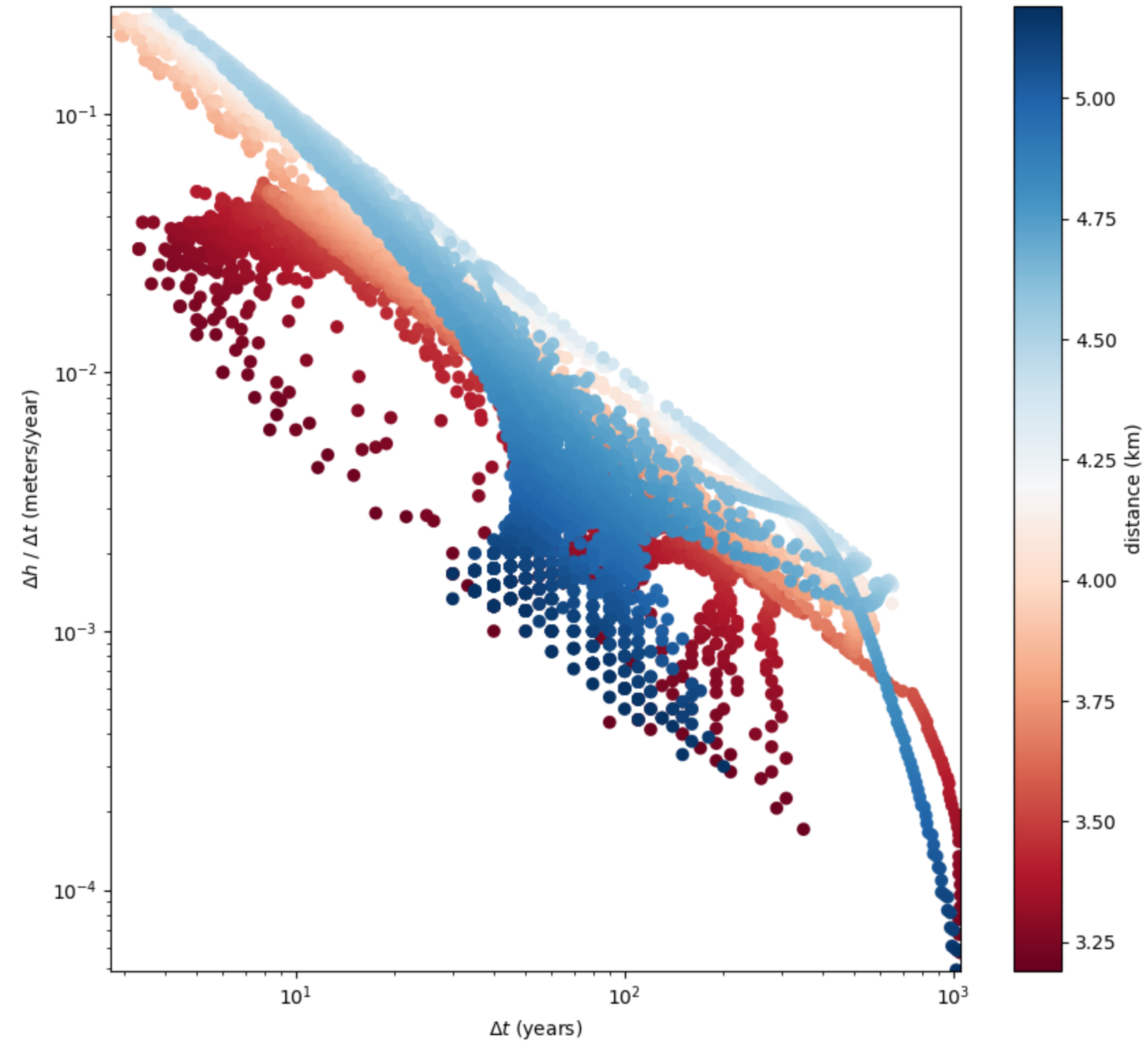
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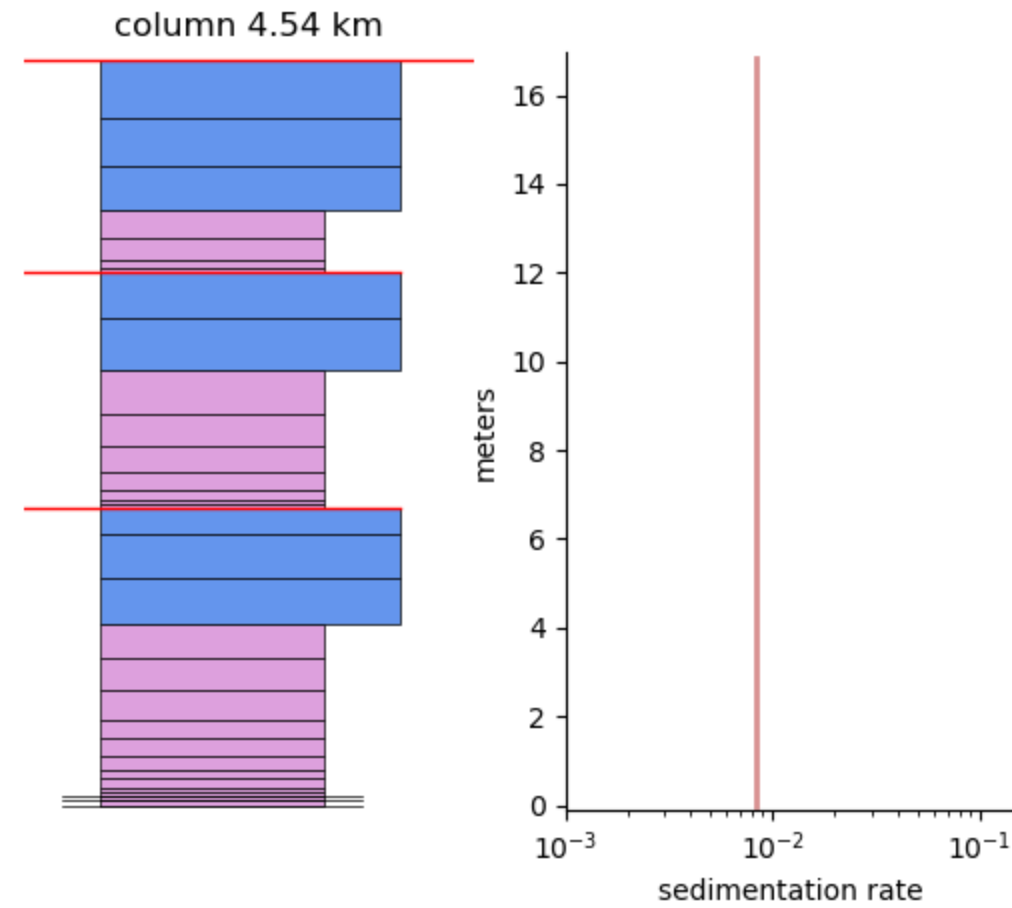
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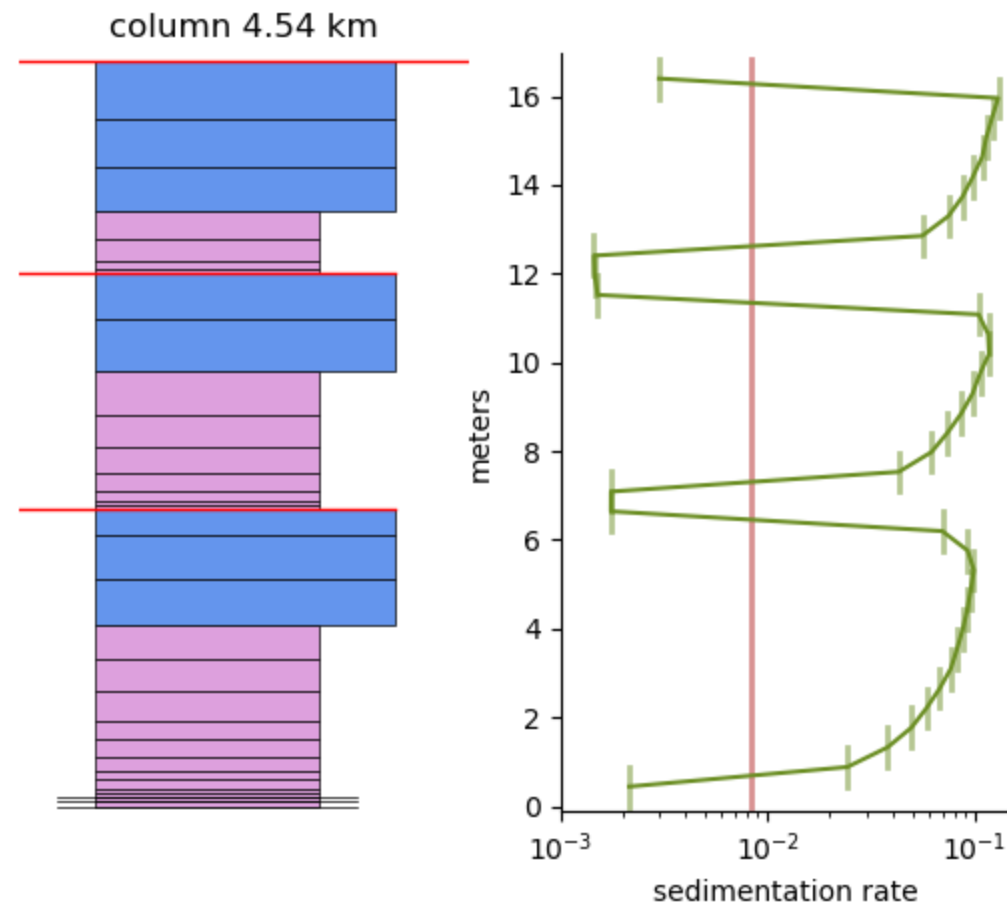
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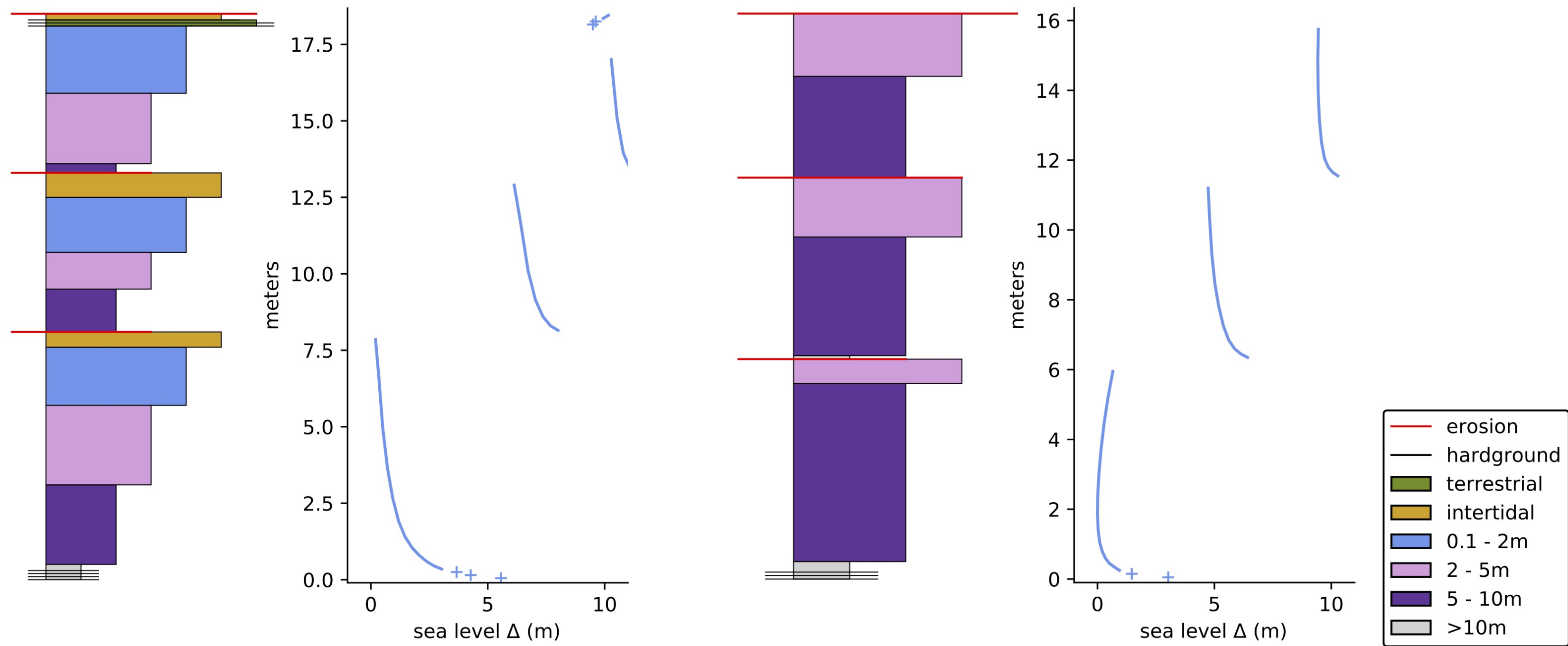
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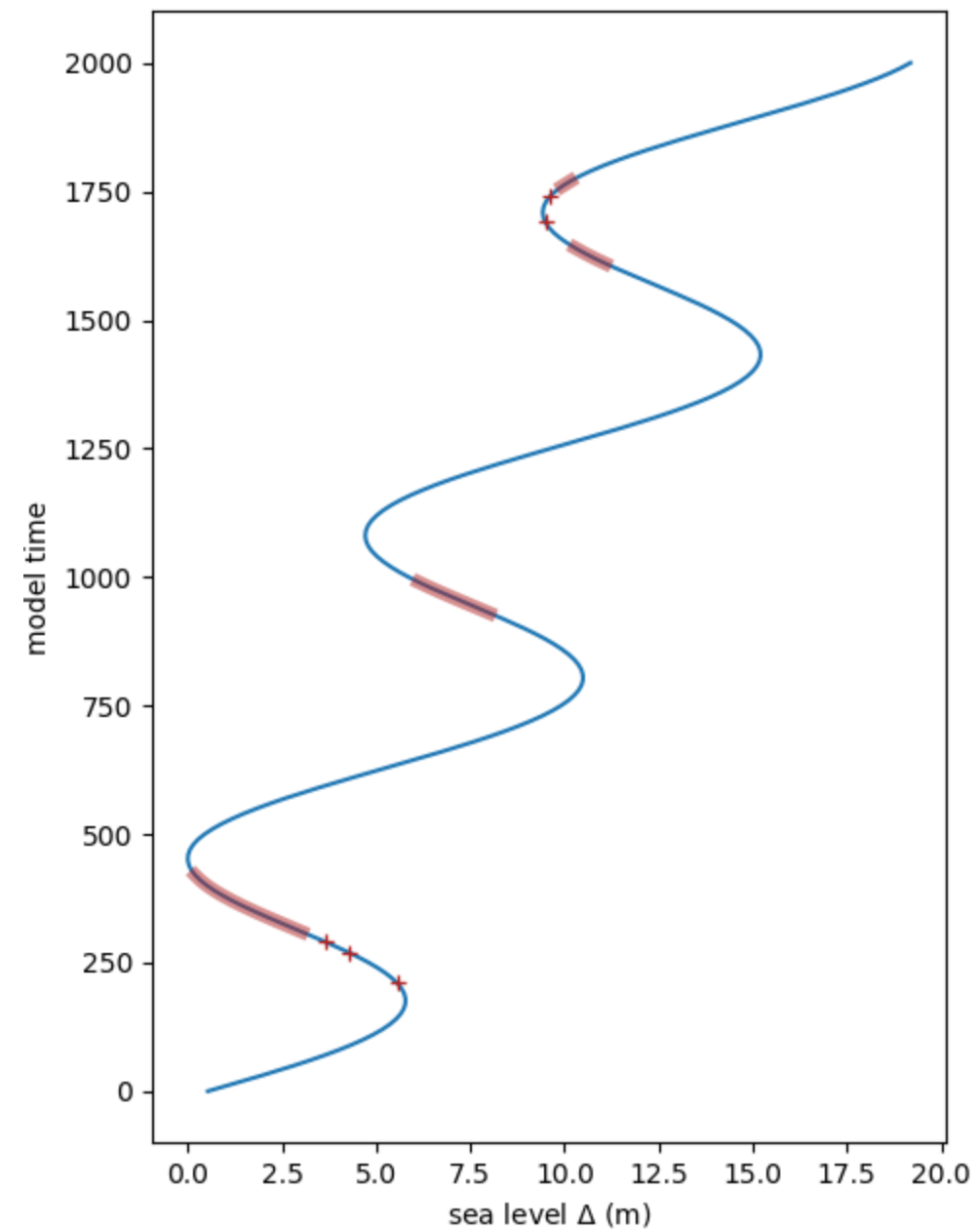
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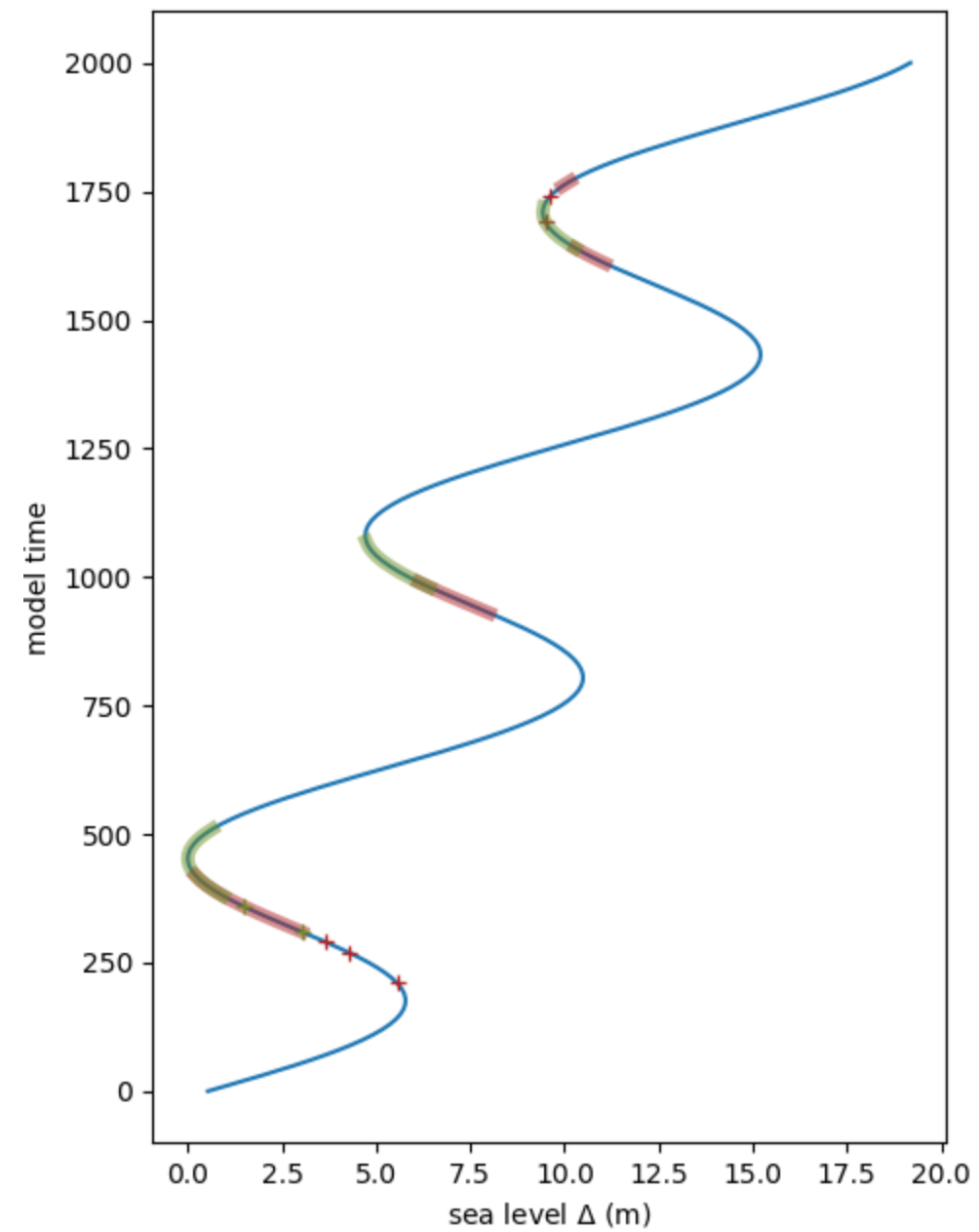
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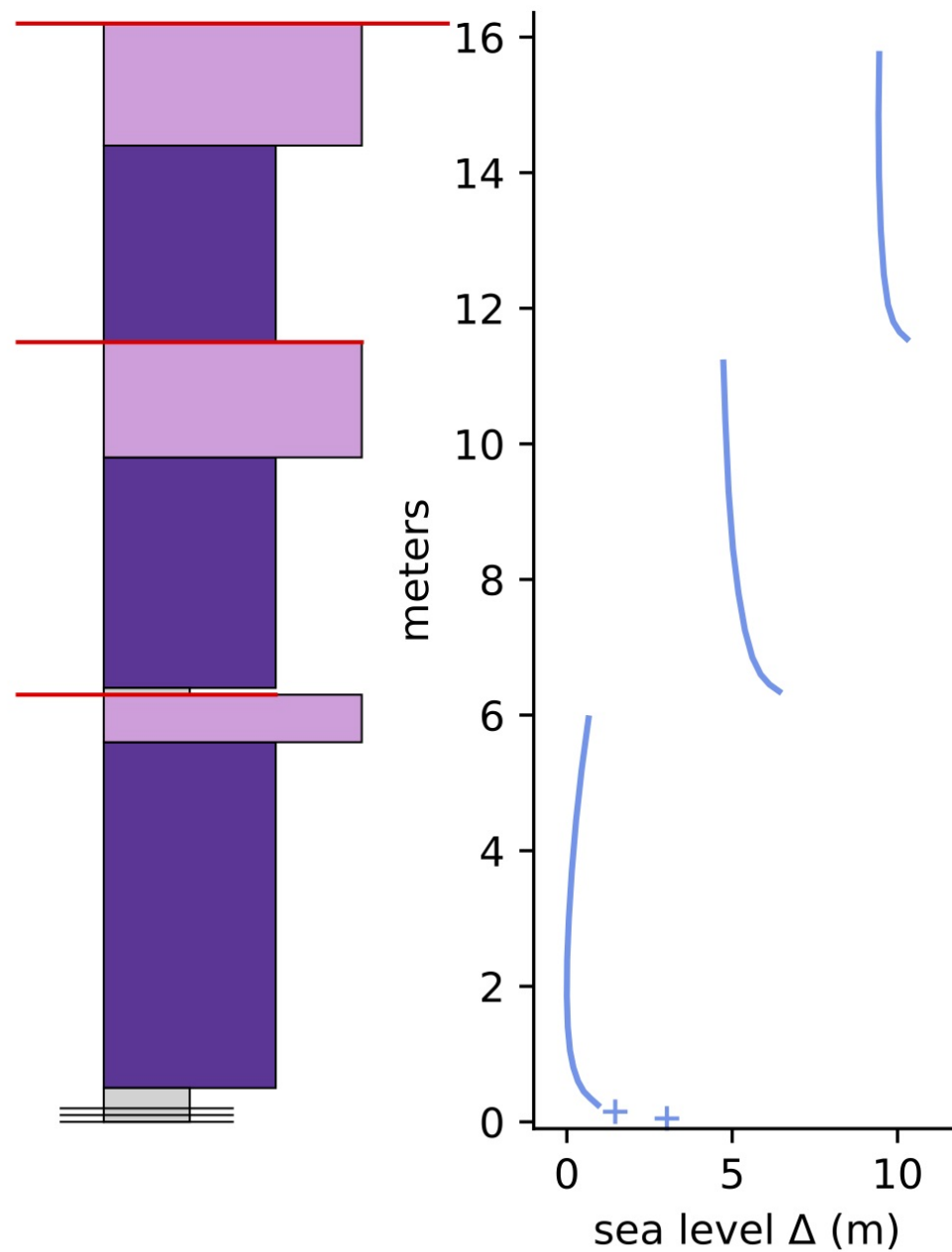
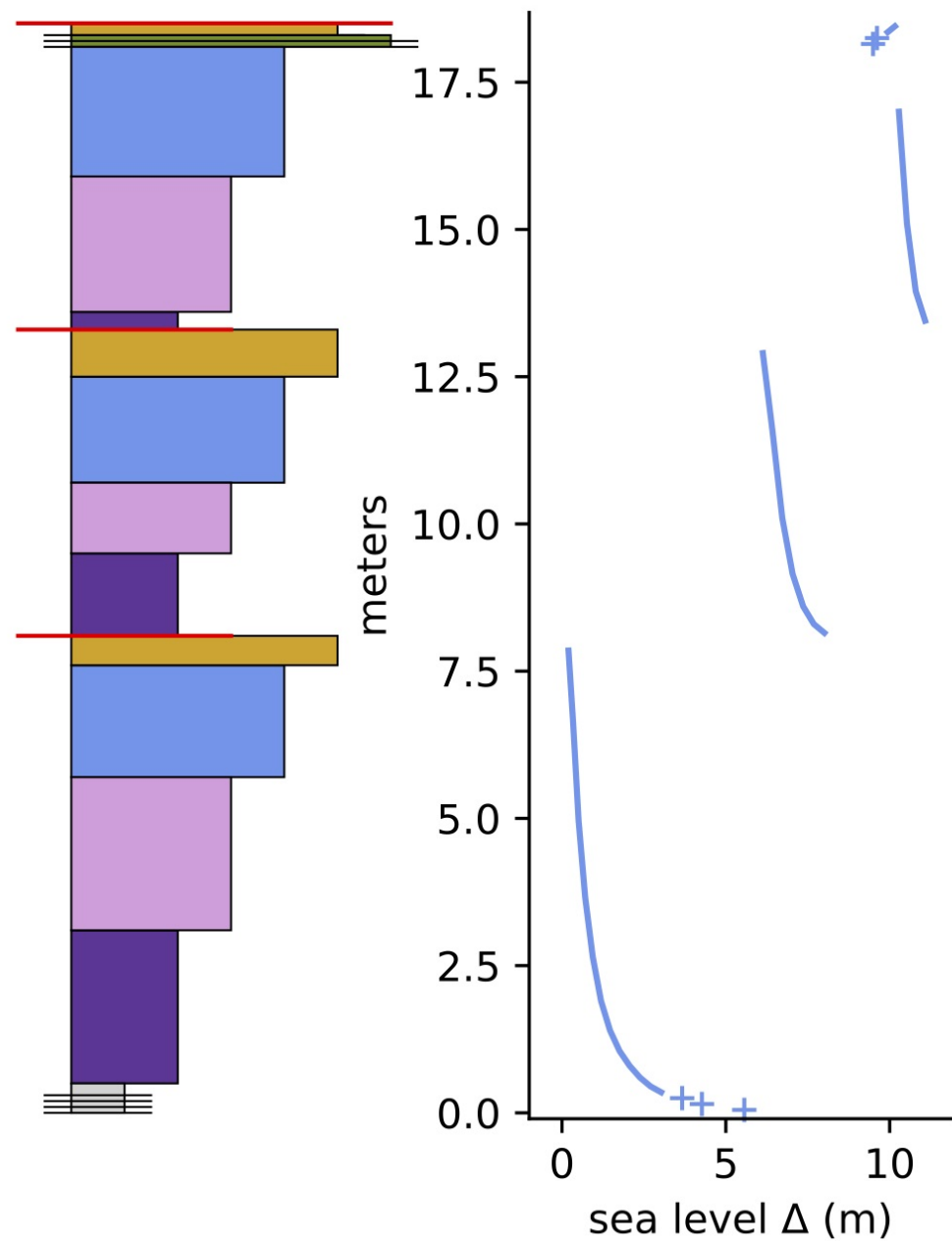
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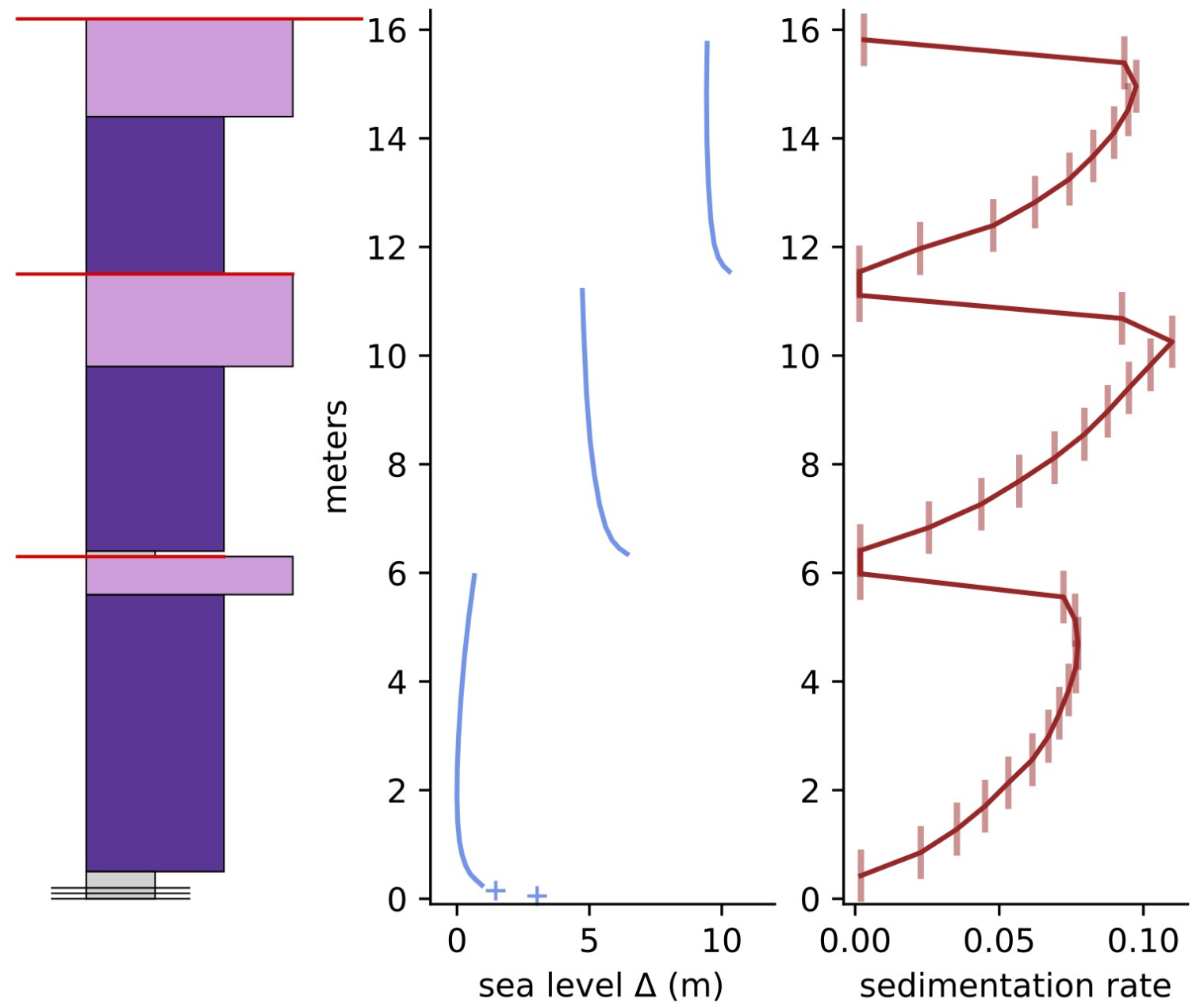
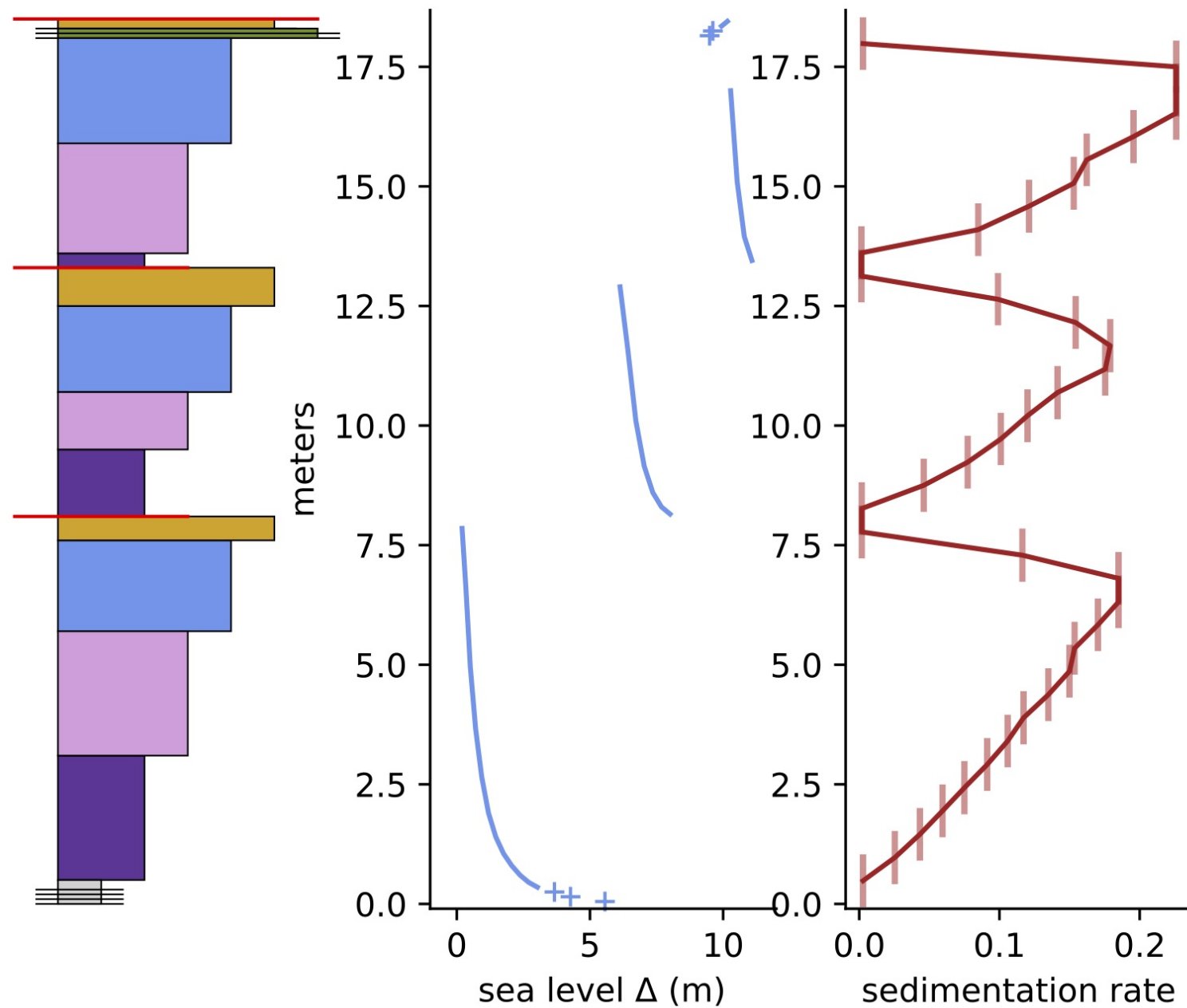
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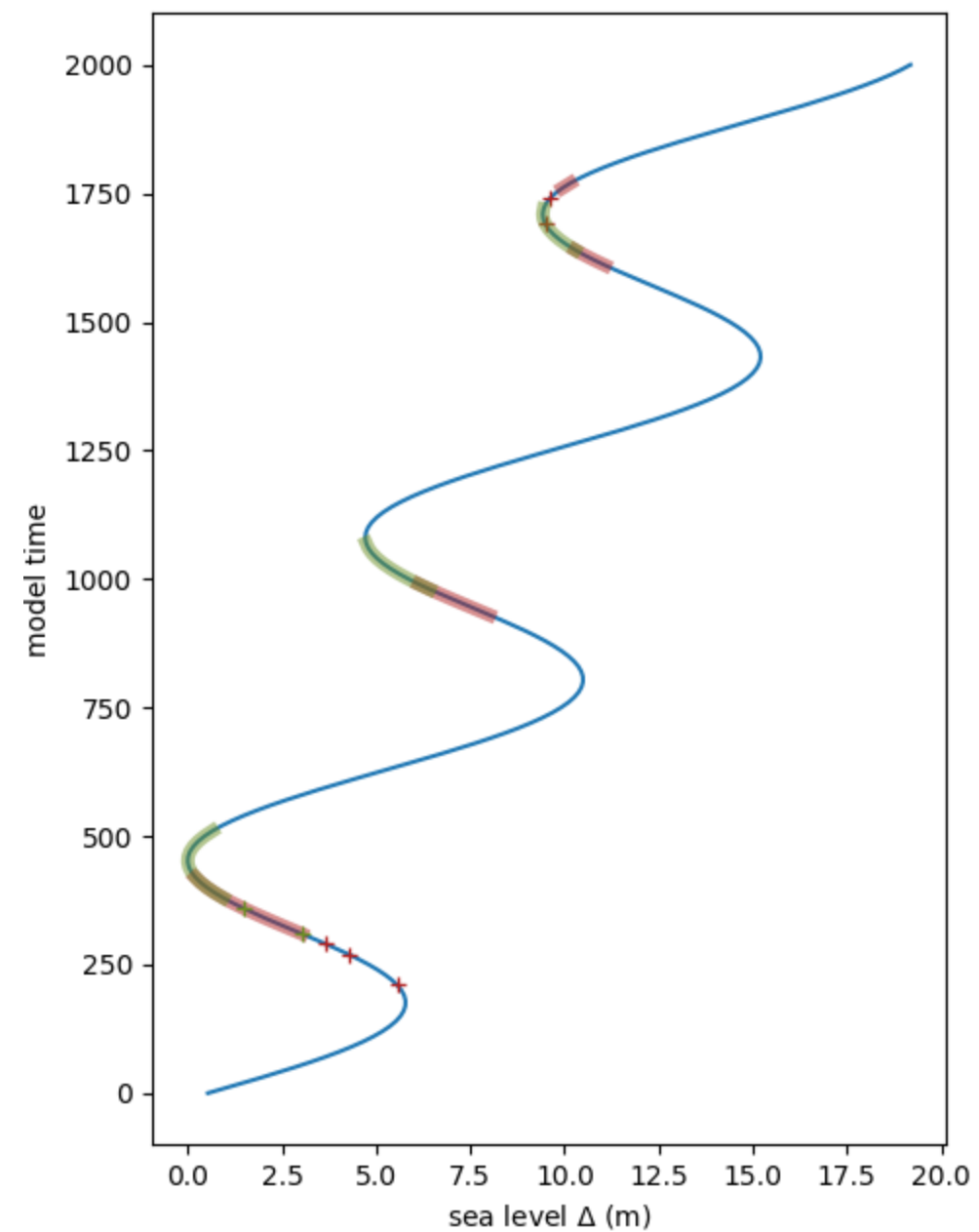


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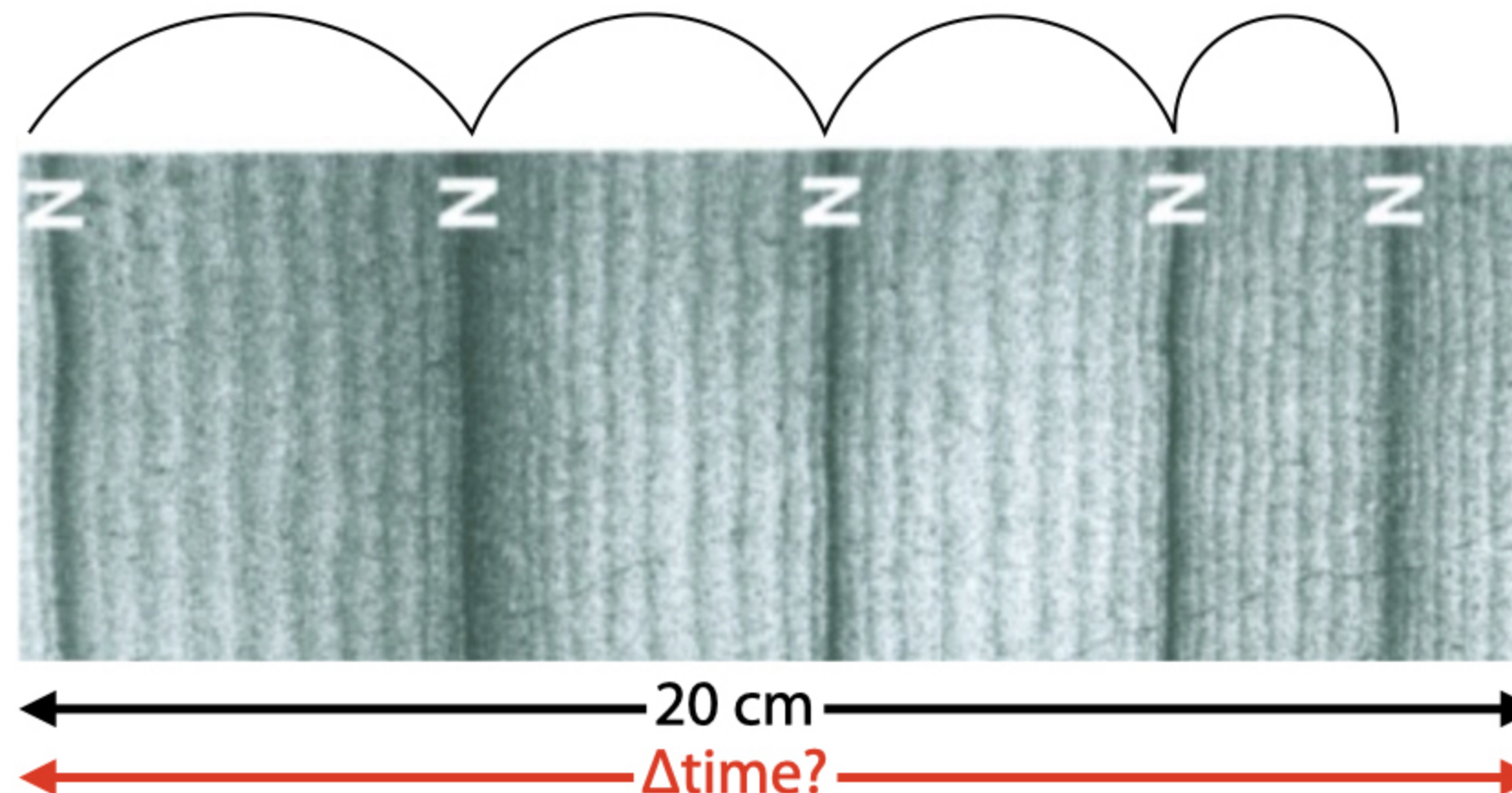
Correlating sequences

- an amazing key would be detecting this sea level signal
- how could this be done?



Cyclostratigraphy

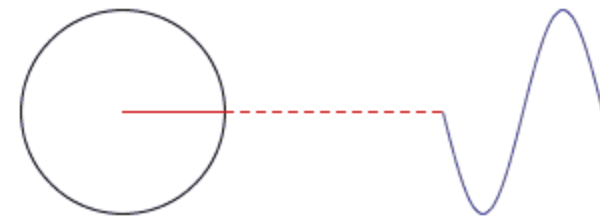
- **Cyclostratigraphy** is a sub-discipline of stratigraphy that seeks to identify, characterize and interpret cyclic variations in the stratigraphic record
 - identify cycles → interpret timing of cycles → age models and correlations
 - fundamentally, it is about explaining the processes *behind* a record



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