# Western Newfoundland Aeromagnetic Data and the Potential of Self-Organizing Maps

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#### Overview

- Introduction and Goals
- 2 Magnetic Data for Western Newfoundland
- Self-Organizing Maps
  - SOMs in Geoscience

#### **Impetus**

- New data sets collected by Nalcor, GSC and NL Geological Survey
- Interest in oil potential in strike-slip basins adjacent to the Cabot Fault
- Interest in application of automated interpretation techniques

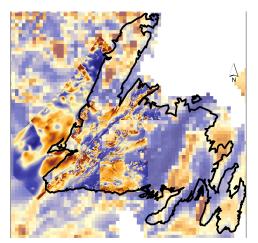


#### Goals

1) Interpretation of the available geophysical data for western Newfoundland particularly in the region of the Cabot fault and off-shore between the available seismic lines and areas of on-shore mapping

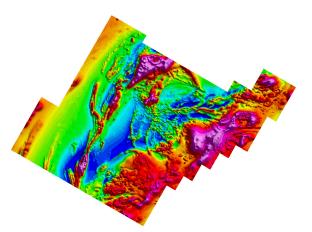
2) Investigate the effectiveness of the self-organizng map technique for the automated interpretation and classification of regional datasets

# Compilation



Magnetics

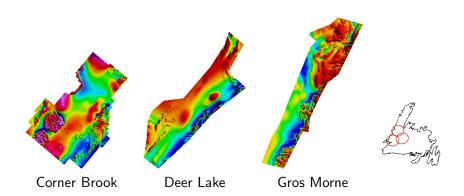
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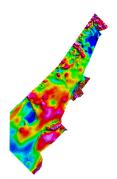
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# New Data - 2008/2009



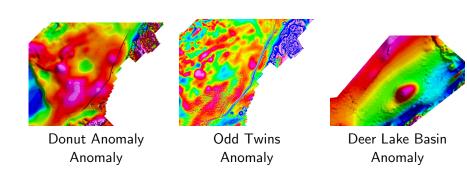
#### New Data - 2012



Off-Shore Western Newfoundland



# Some Interesting Anomalies



# What are Self-Organizing Maps?

- Developed by Kohonen in the 1980s
- A unsupervised neural networking algorythm
- Used for clustering and classification



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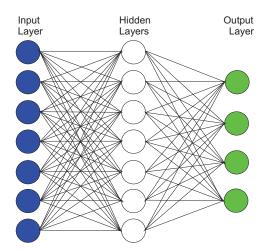
#### The self-organizing map

#### Teuvo Kohonen

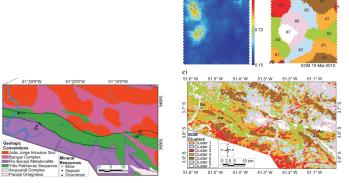
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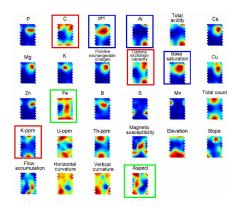
## Carneiro et al., 2012



U-Matrix

Semiautomated geologic mapping using self-organizing maps and airborne geophysics in the Brazilian Amazon

## lwashita et al., 2011



Using Self-Organzing Maps to Analyze High-Dimentional Geochemistry Data across Parana, Brazil

# How I plan to use Self-Organizing Maps

- Application of SOMs to regional scale, survey scale and along a profile
- Application of SOMs to diverse datasets