

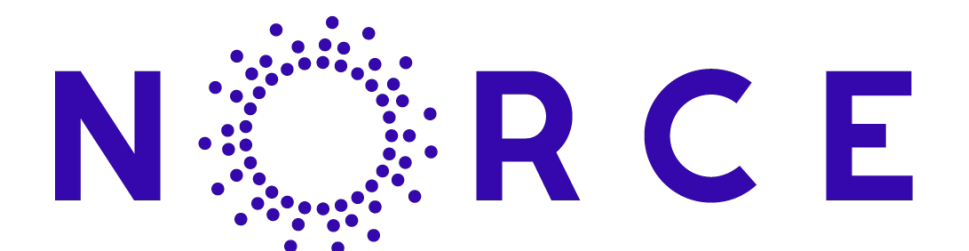
Optimization of Shallow Geothermal Energy Resources for Green Transition OptiSGE

DTS Examples

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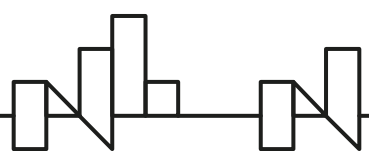
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NTNU and Norce

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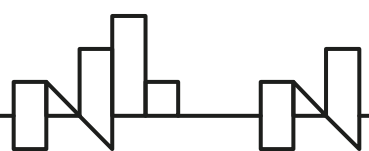
How

- An optical fibrecable is installed in the borehole(s)
- The ends of the fibres are coupled to a measurement instrument and logger
- The measurement instrument sends laser pulses through the fibre and registers the backscattered light
- Light is converted to temperature by a formula with [3 parameters](#)
- Calibration consists in adjusting offset/parameters



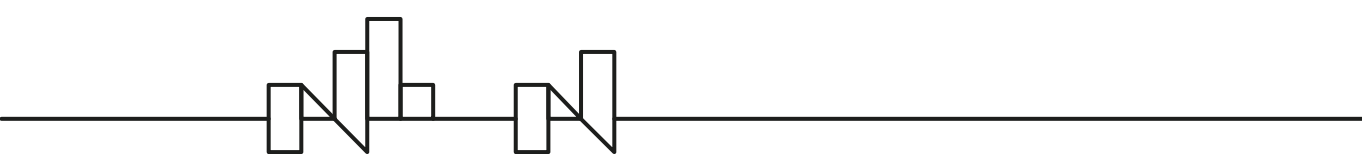
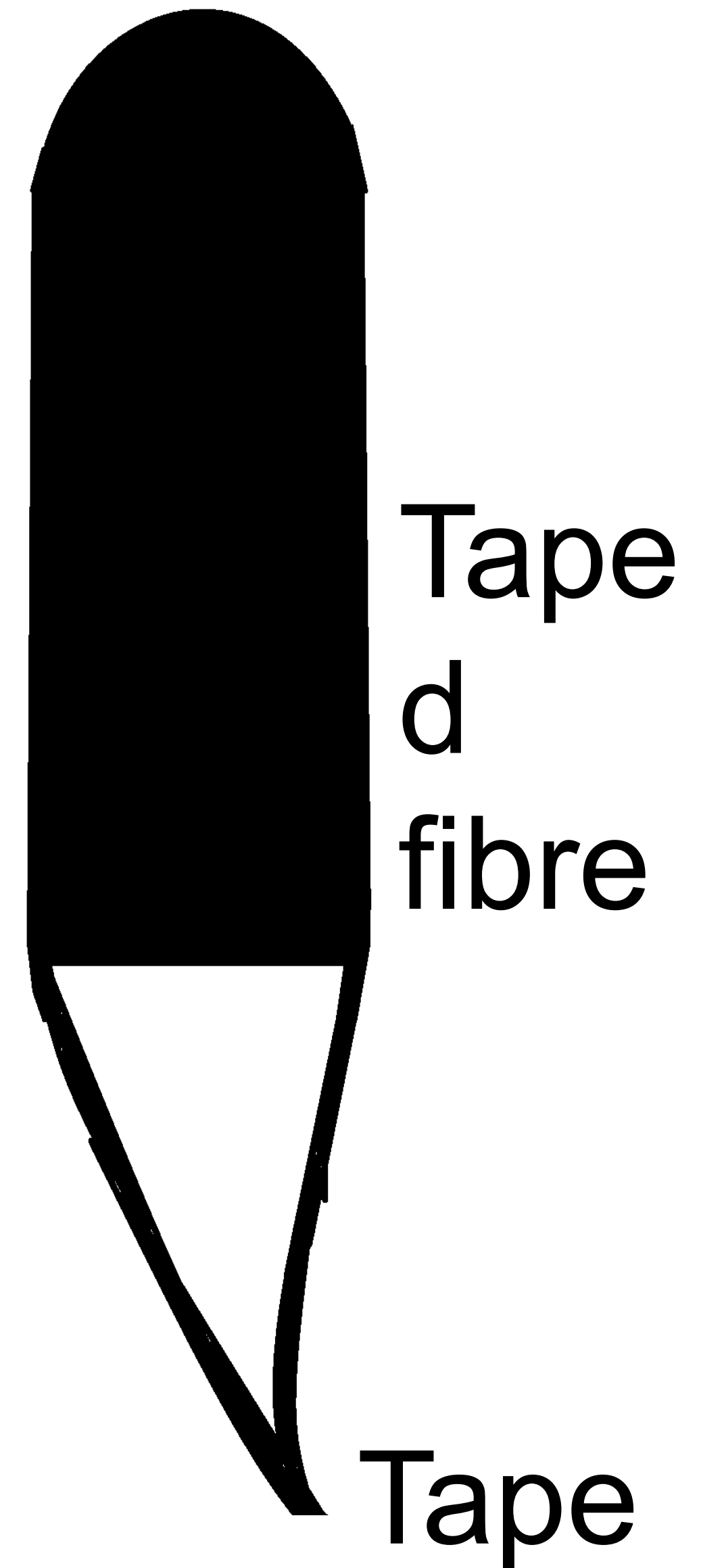
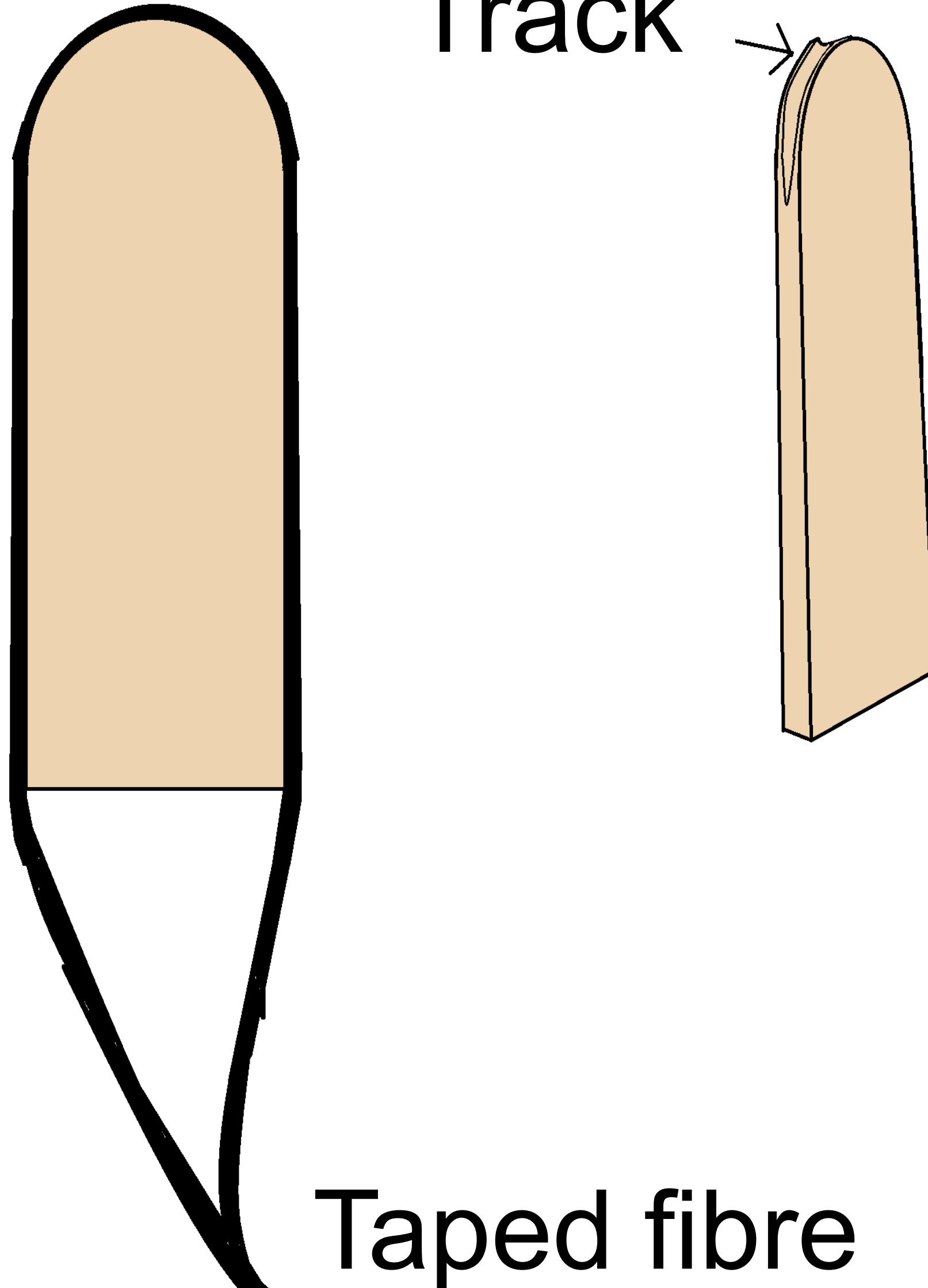
Avoid!

- Avoid bending sharply/breaking the fibres
- Avoid end at the end - End signal is bad

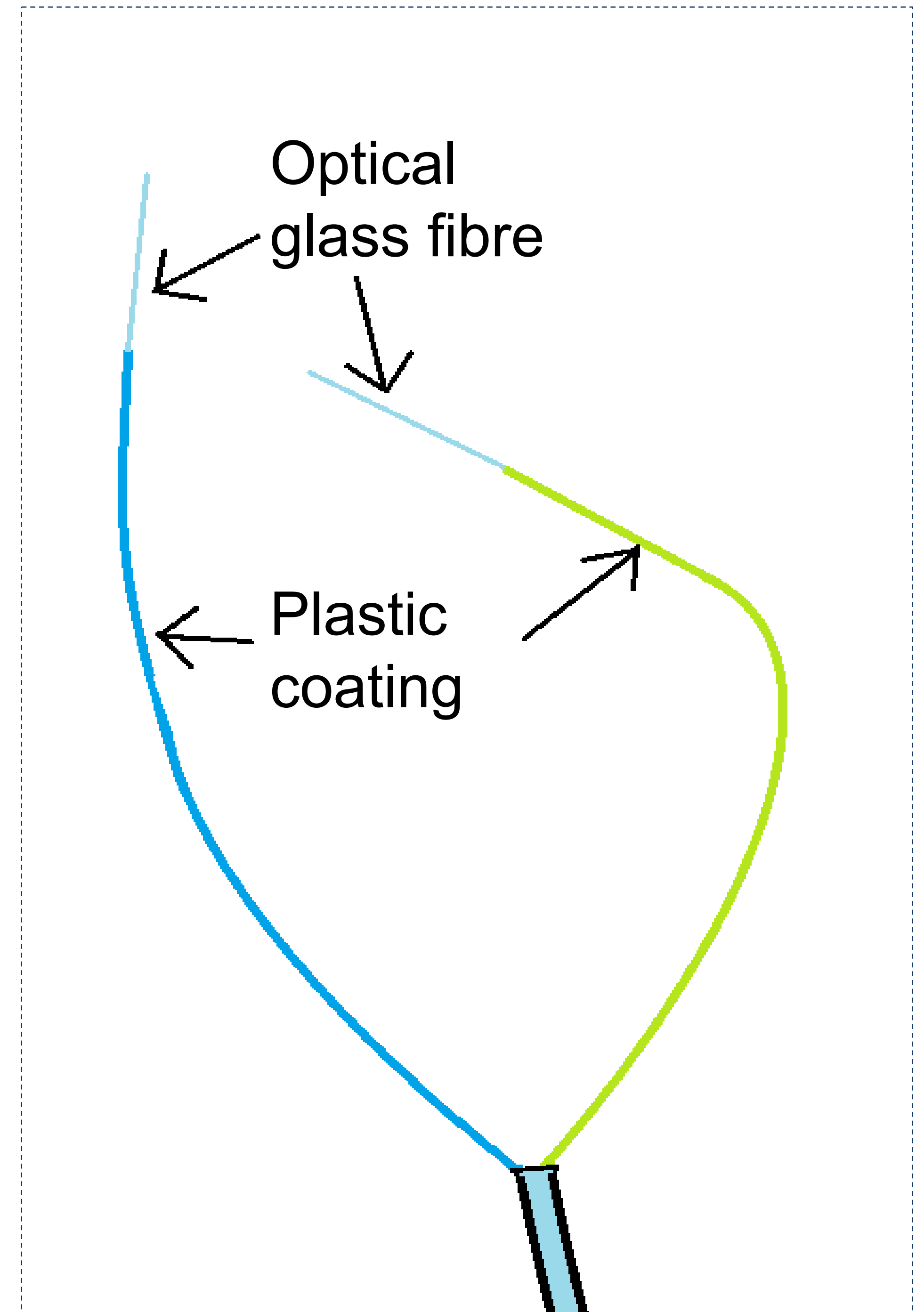
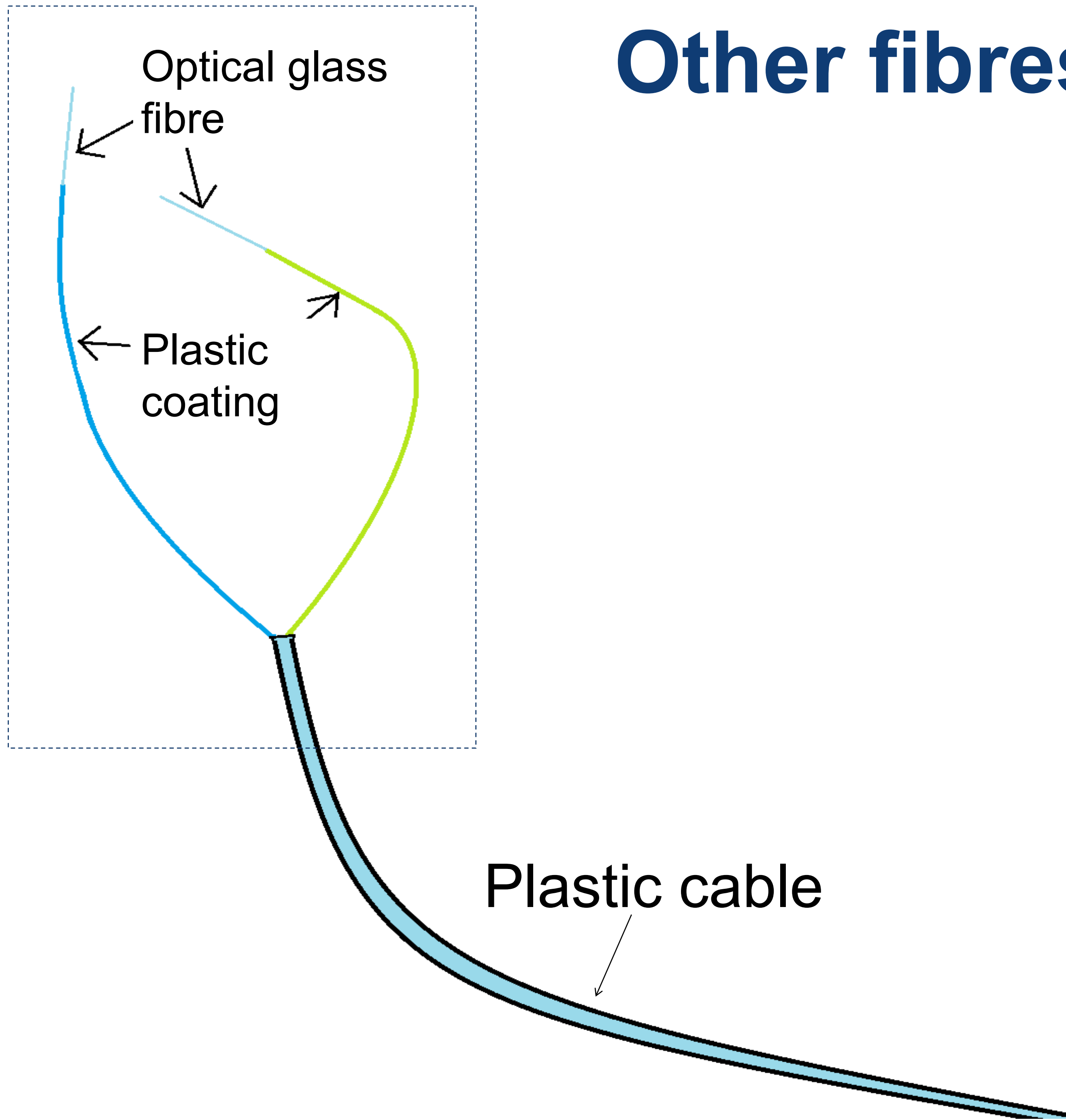


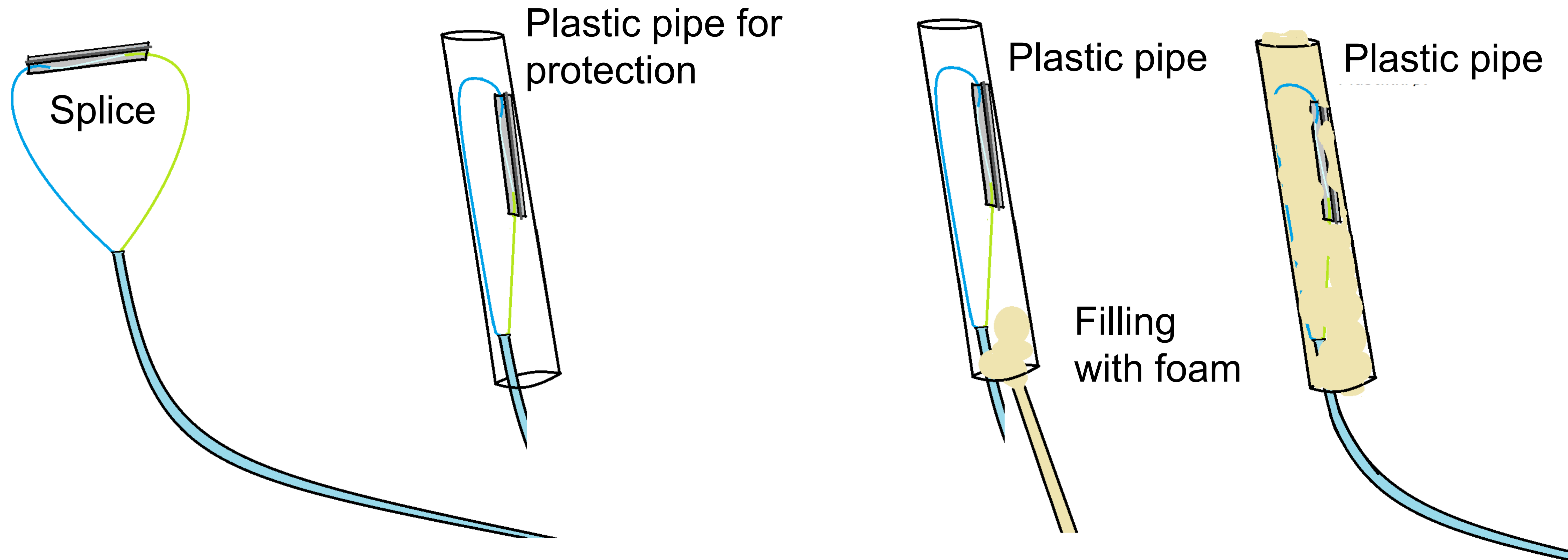


First fibre
Track

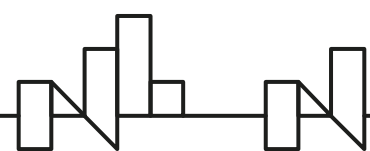


Other fibres

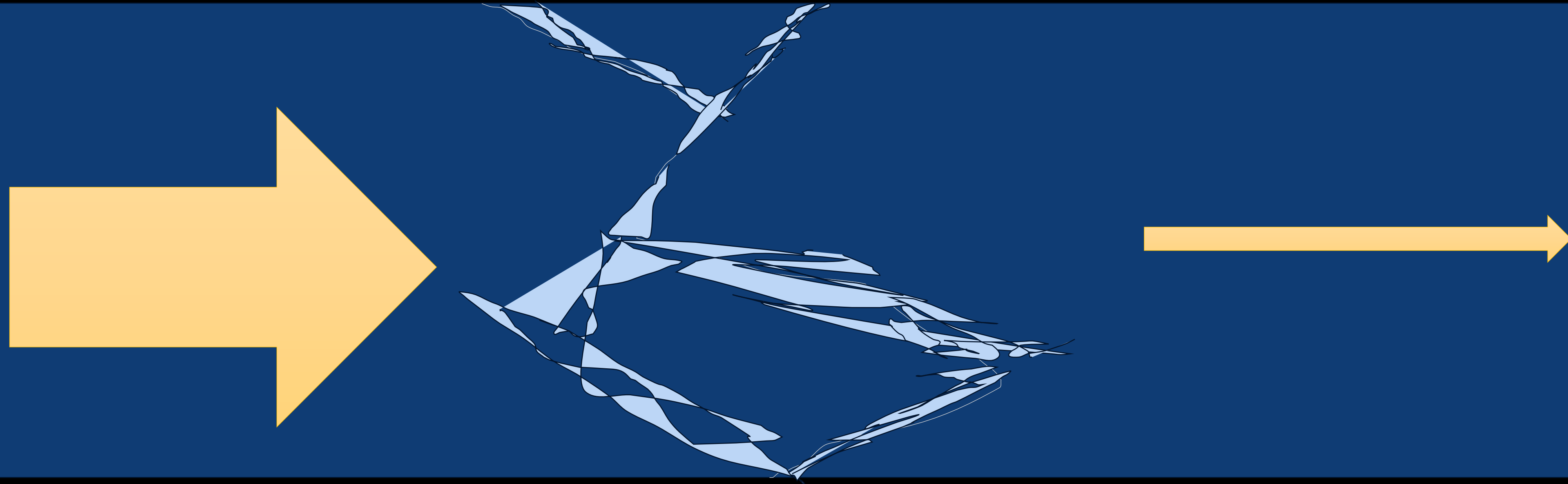




Spliced ends – requires practiced hands

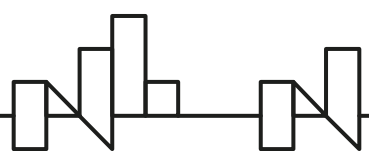


Plastic cable with glass fibre:



Measurement setup:

- How high resolution do you need?
- Length: long enough, but no longer! Time for loading data!
- Longer averaging times – lower errors



**Site II:
Drammen**

Fjell school

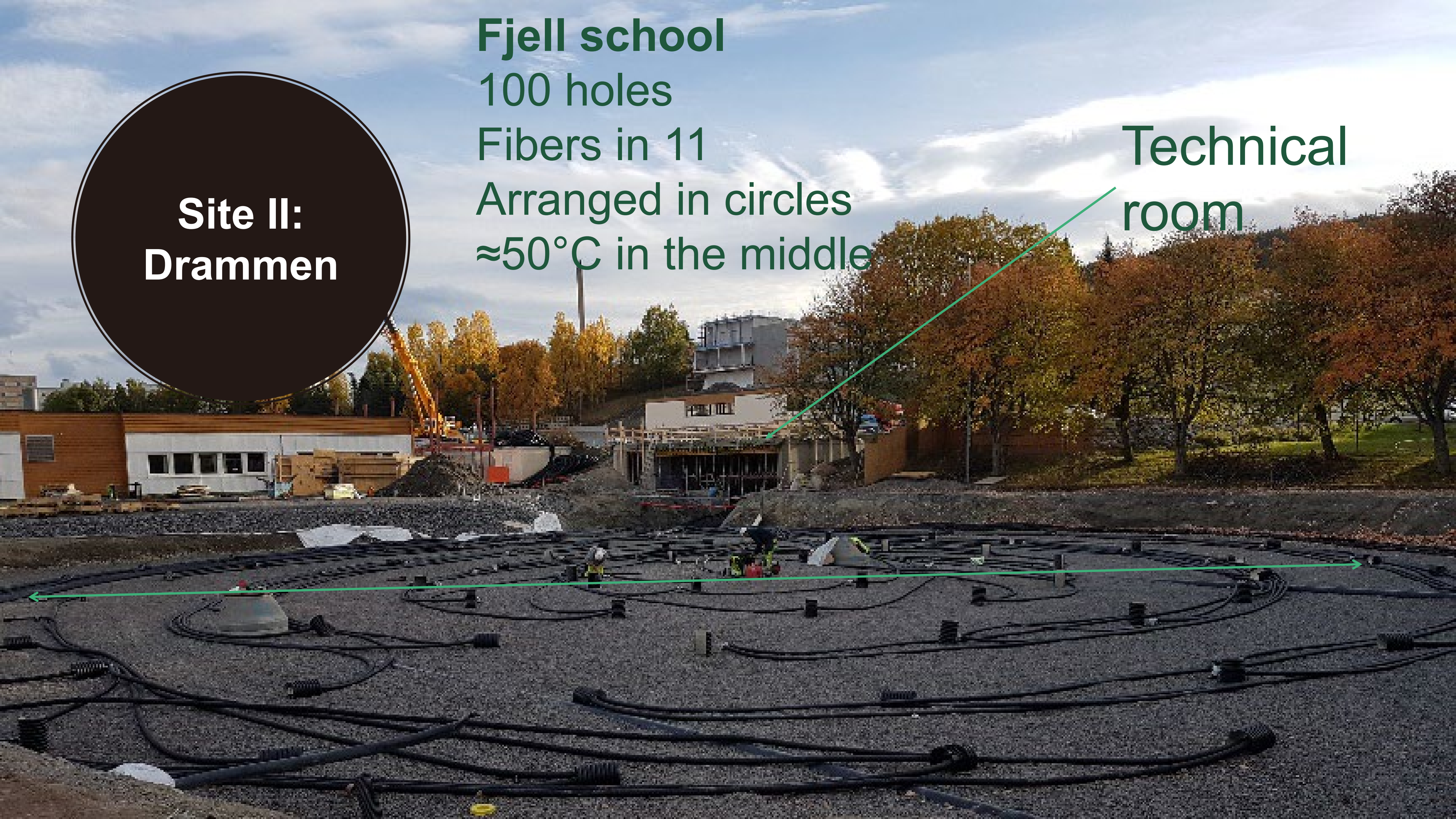
100 holes

Fibers in 11

Arranged in circles

$\approx 50^{\circ}\text{C}$ in the middle

**Technical
room**



Taped end of fiber



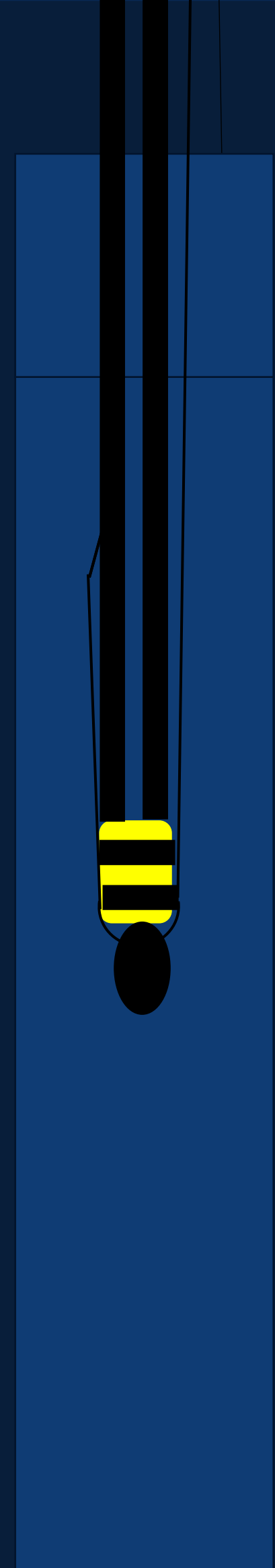


To technical
room

Fiber taped to the collectors at the bottom
10 m taped to
the collectors



**Fiber and
collectors
are lowered
into the hole**

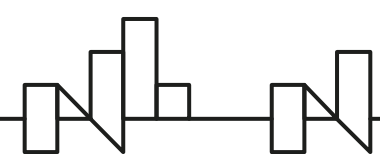


Done!





Technical room



Calibration

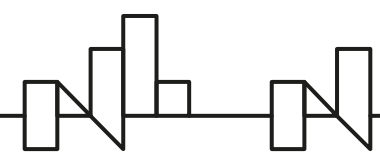
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$V=200\ 000$

$\text{km/s}=2 \cdot 10^8 \text{m/s}$

$\text{dt}=20 \text{ ns} = 2 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ s}$

$x=4 \text{ m}$



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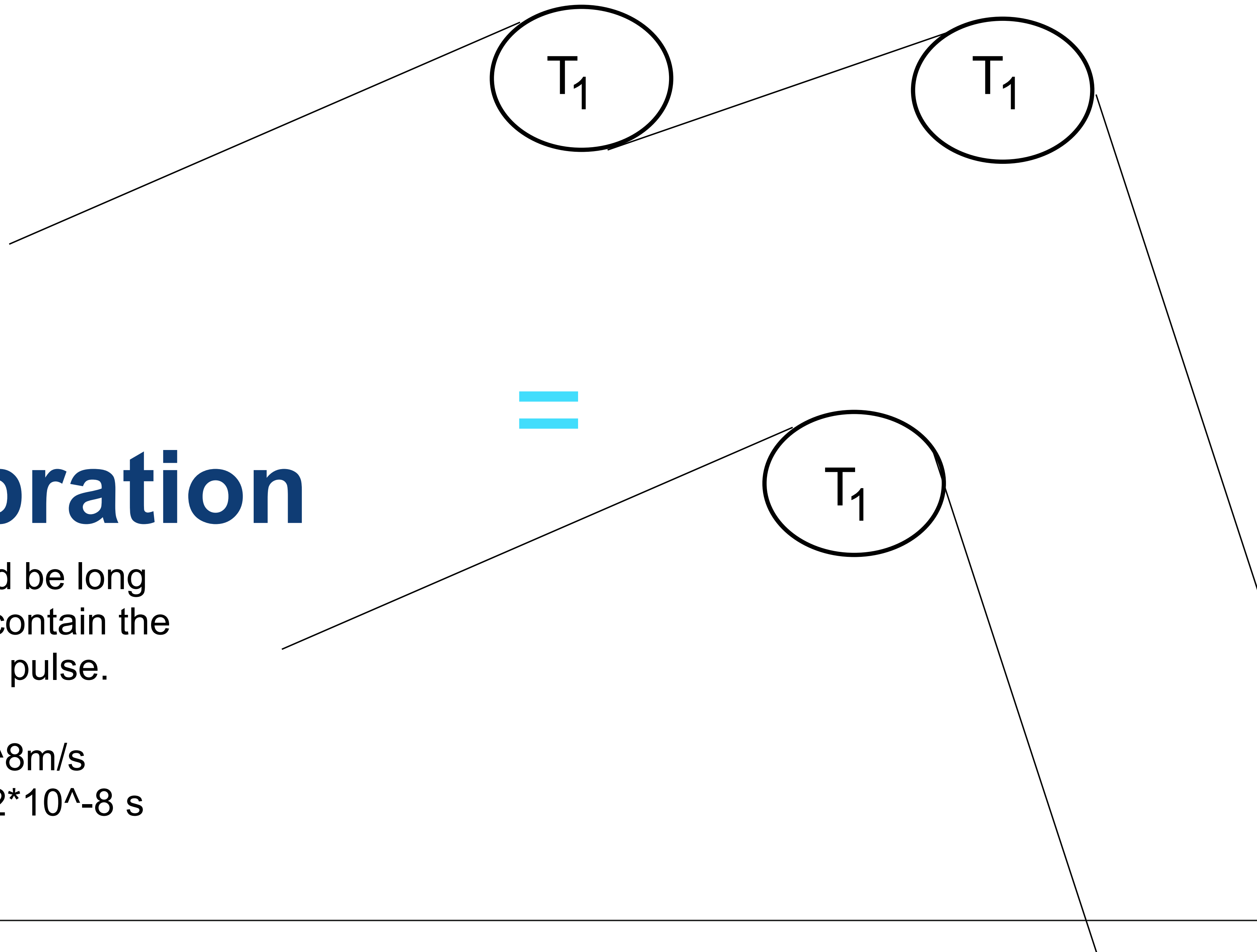
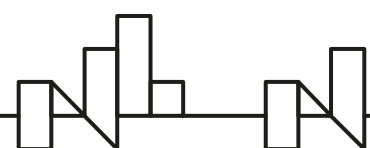
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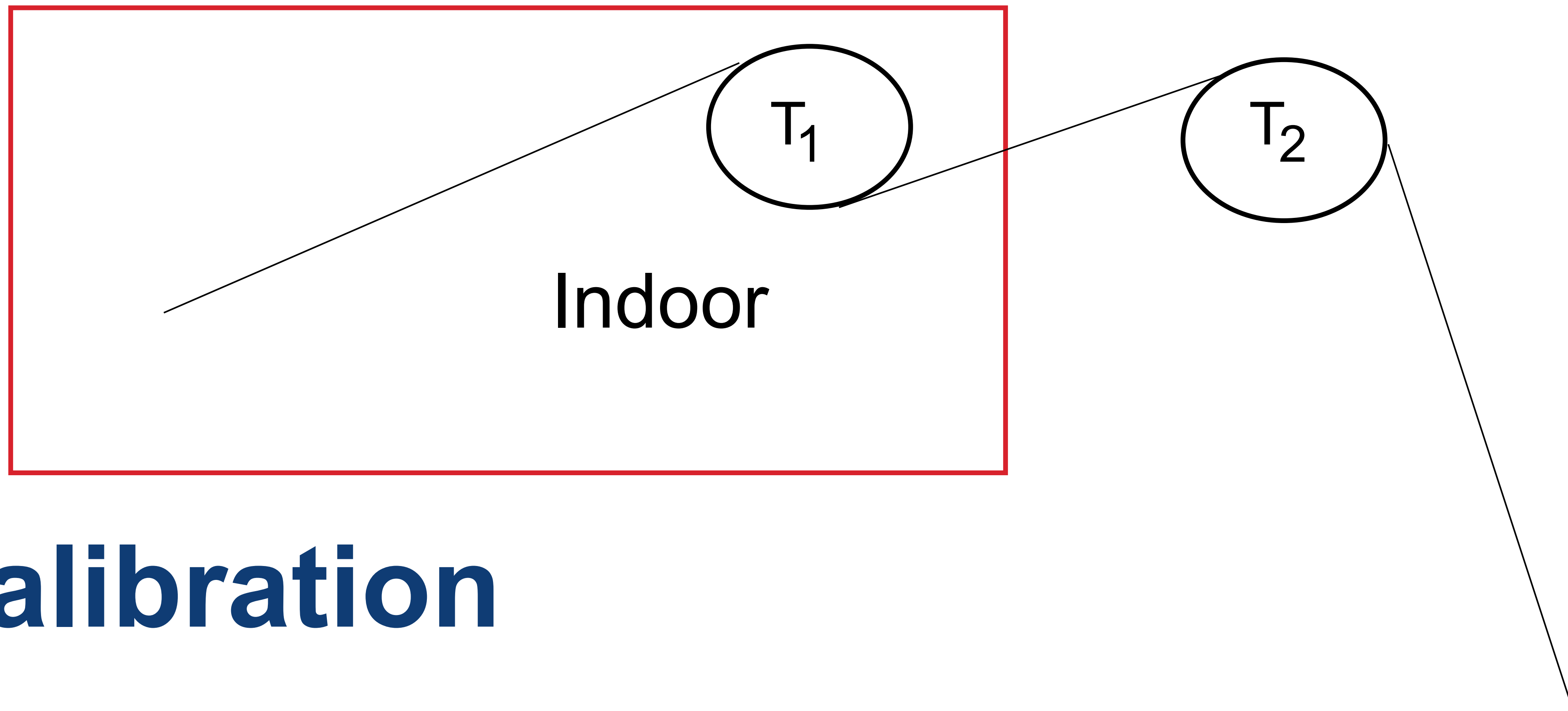
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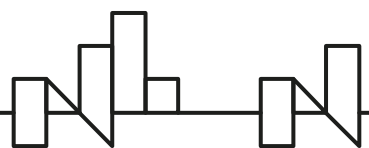
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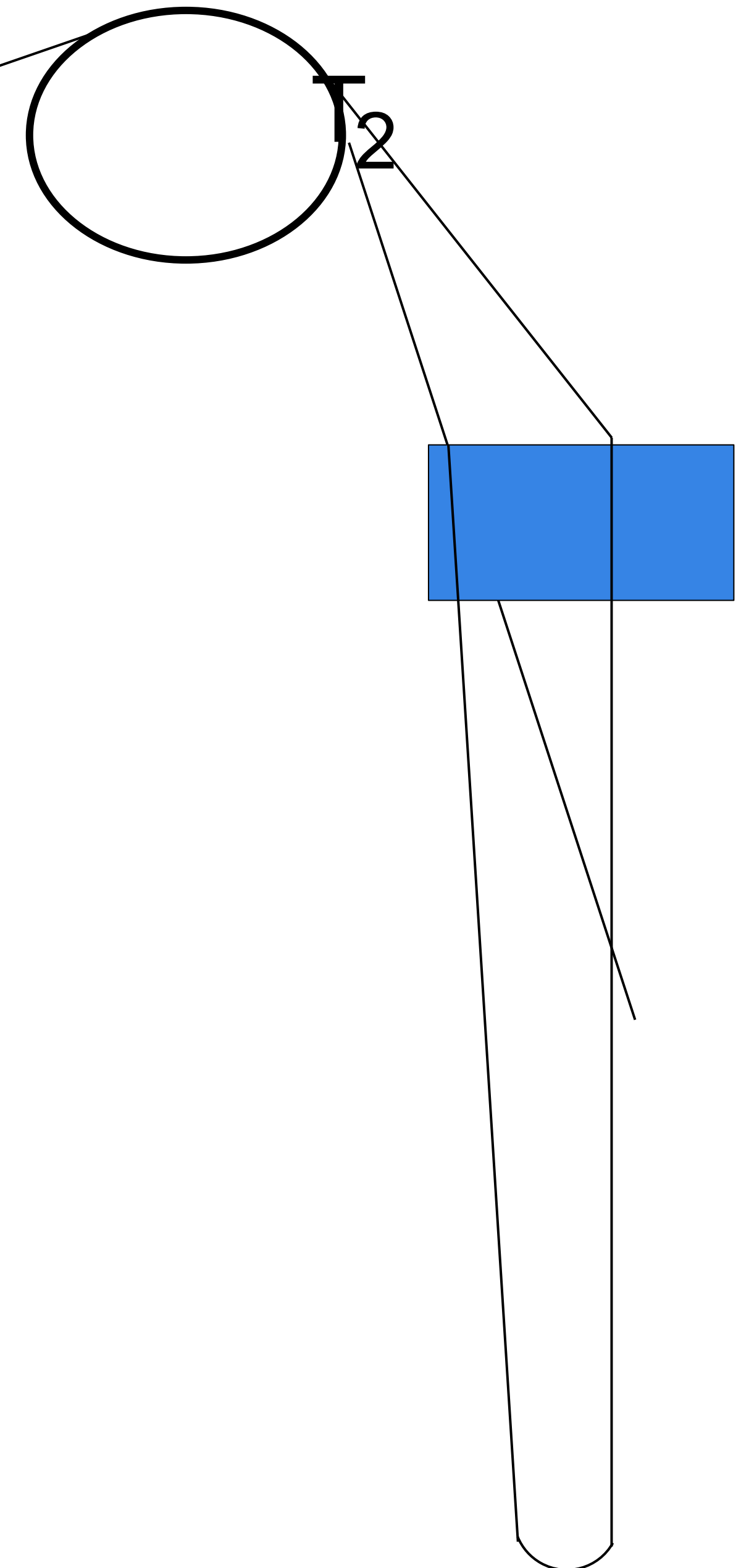
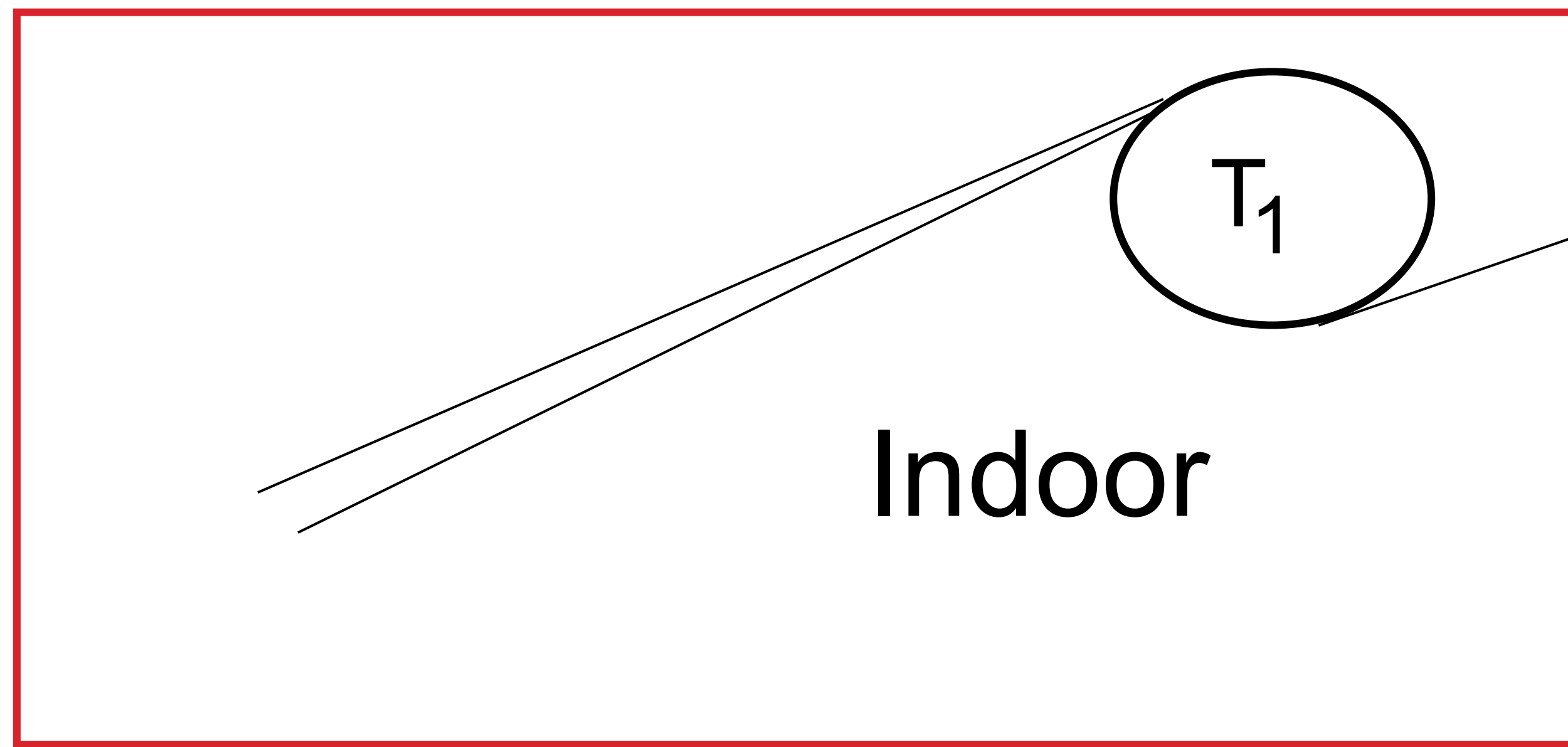
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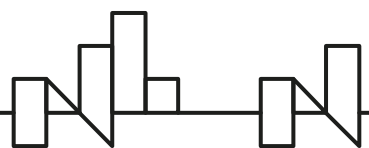


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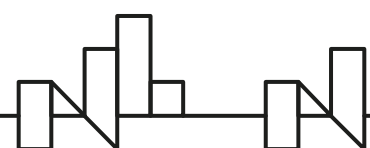
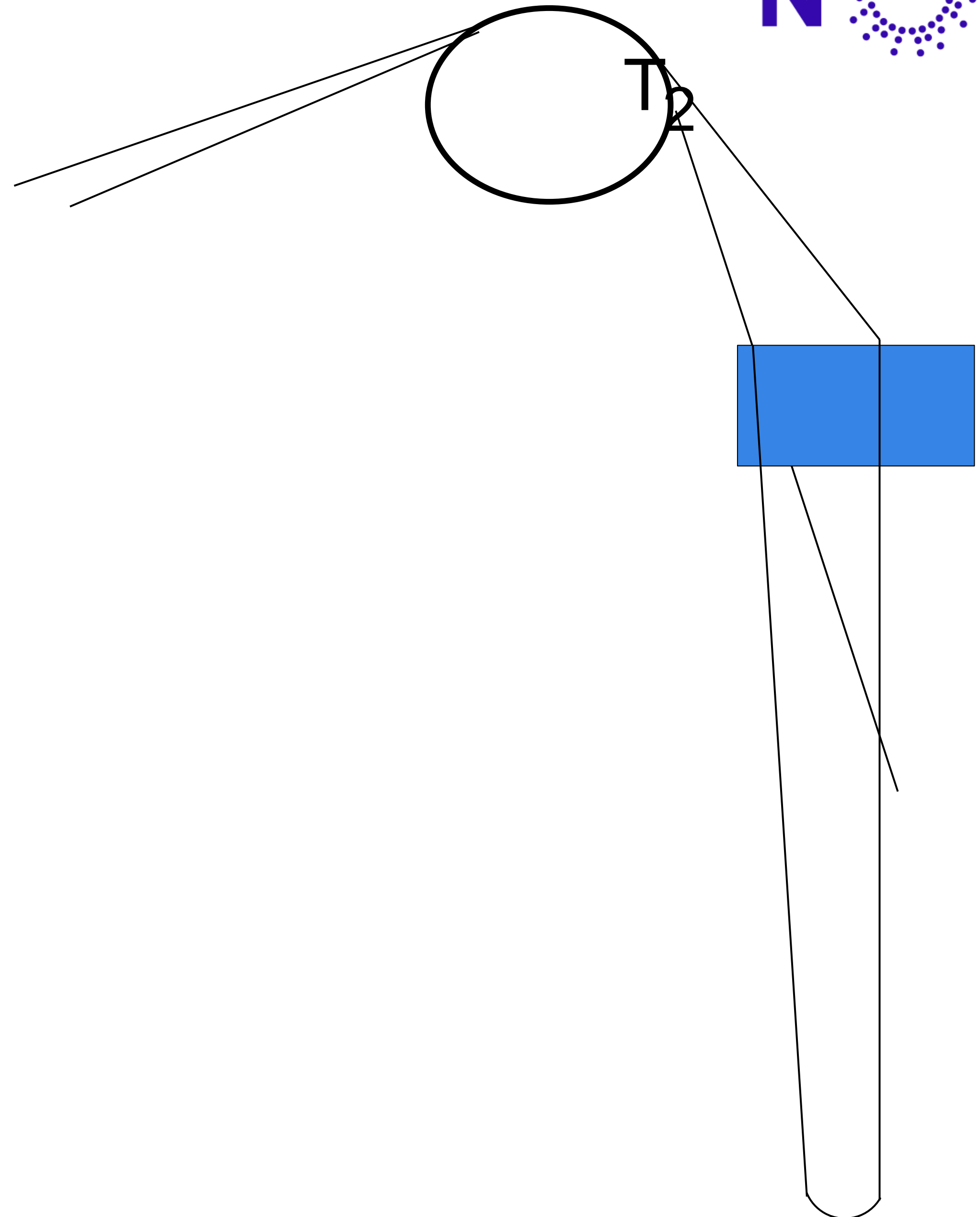




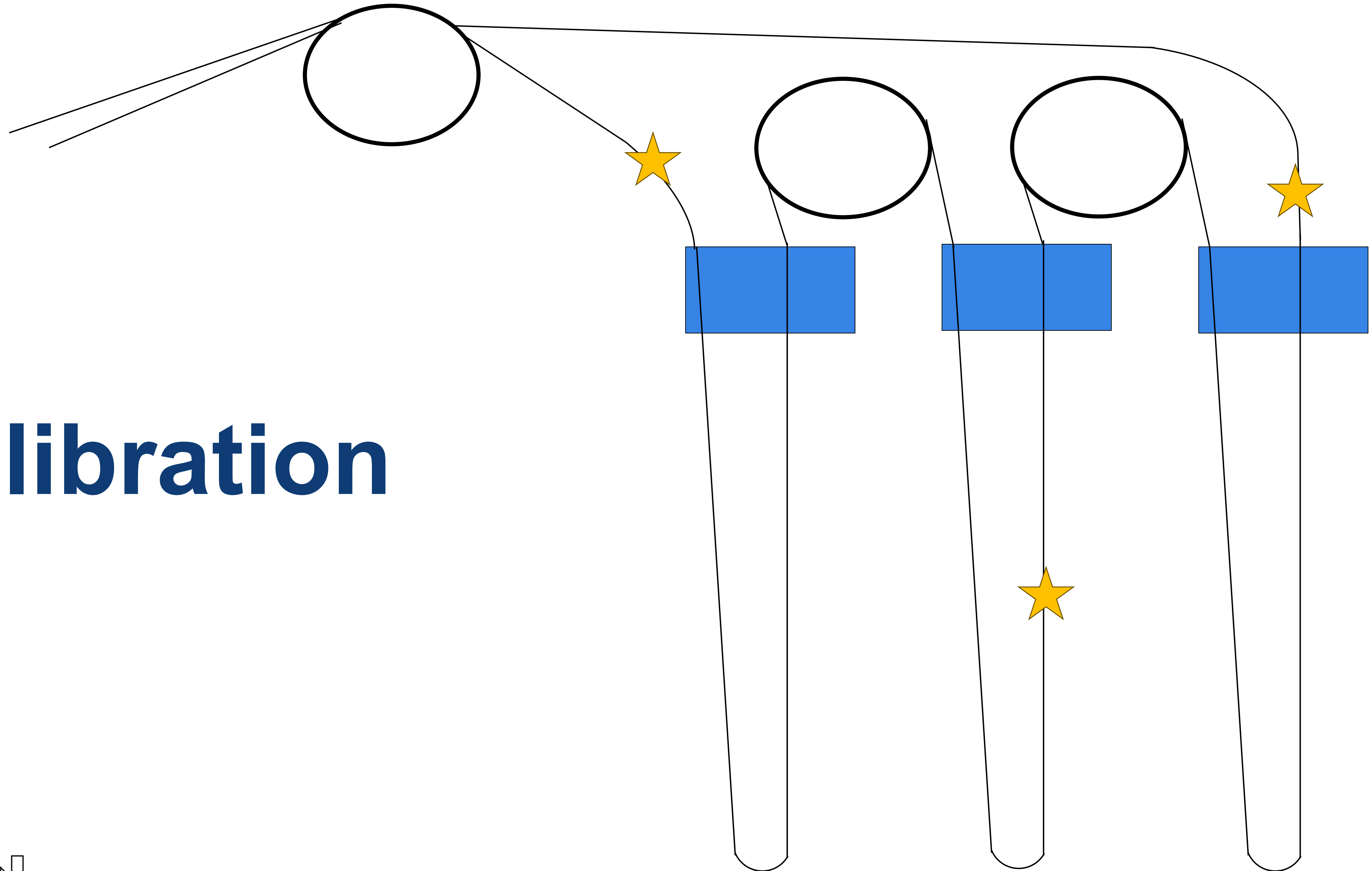
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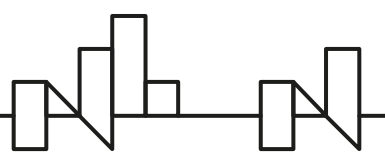
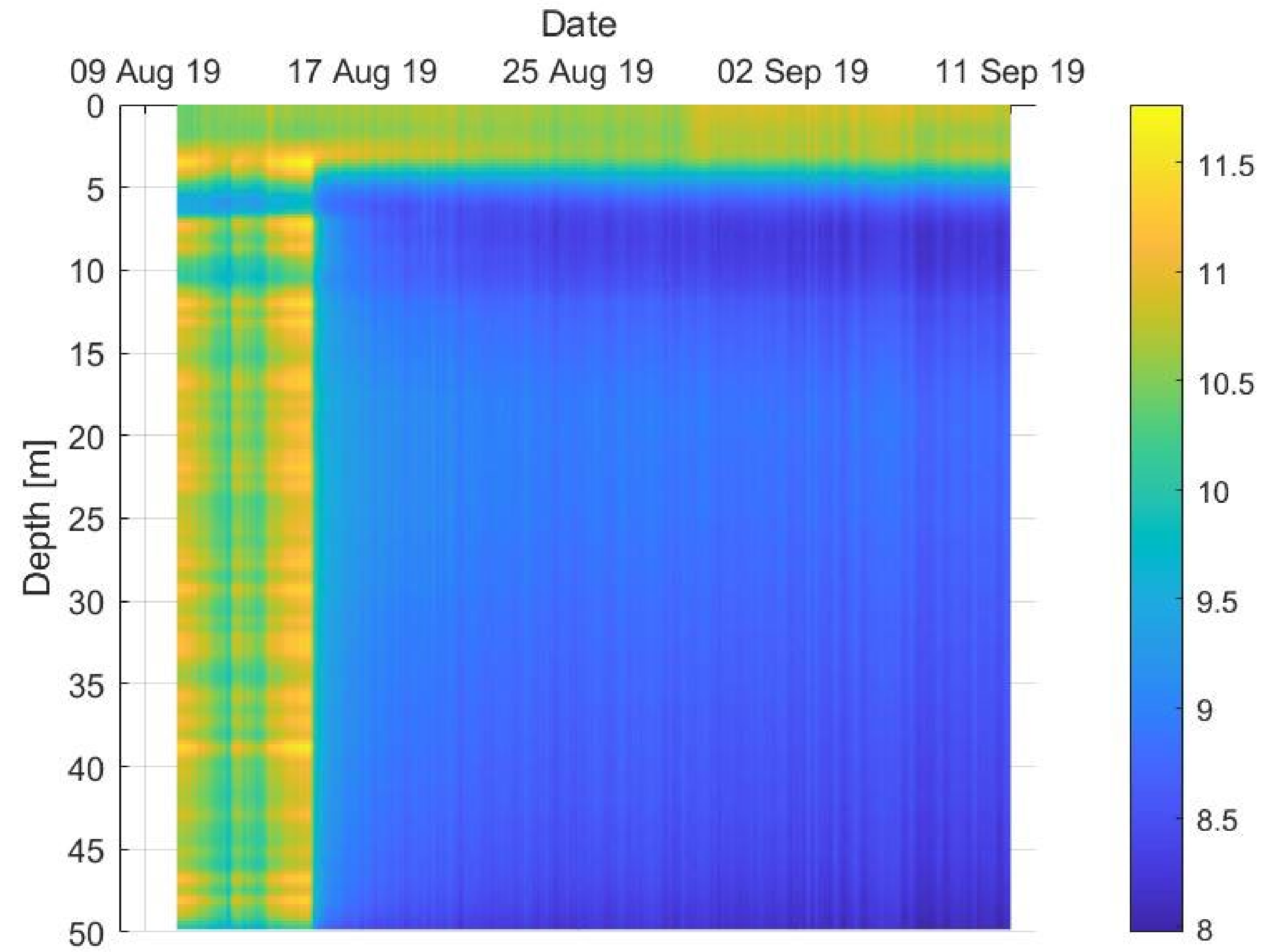
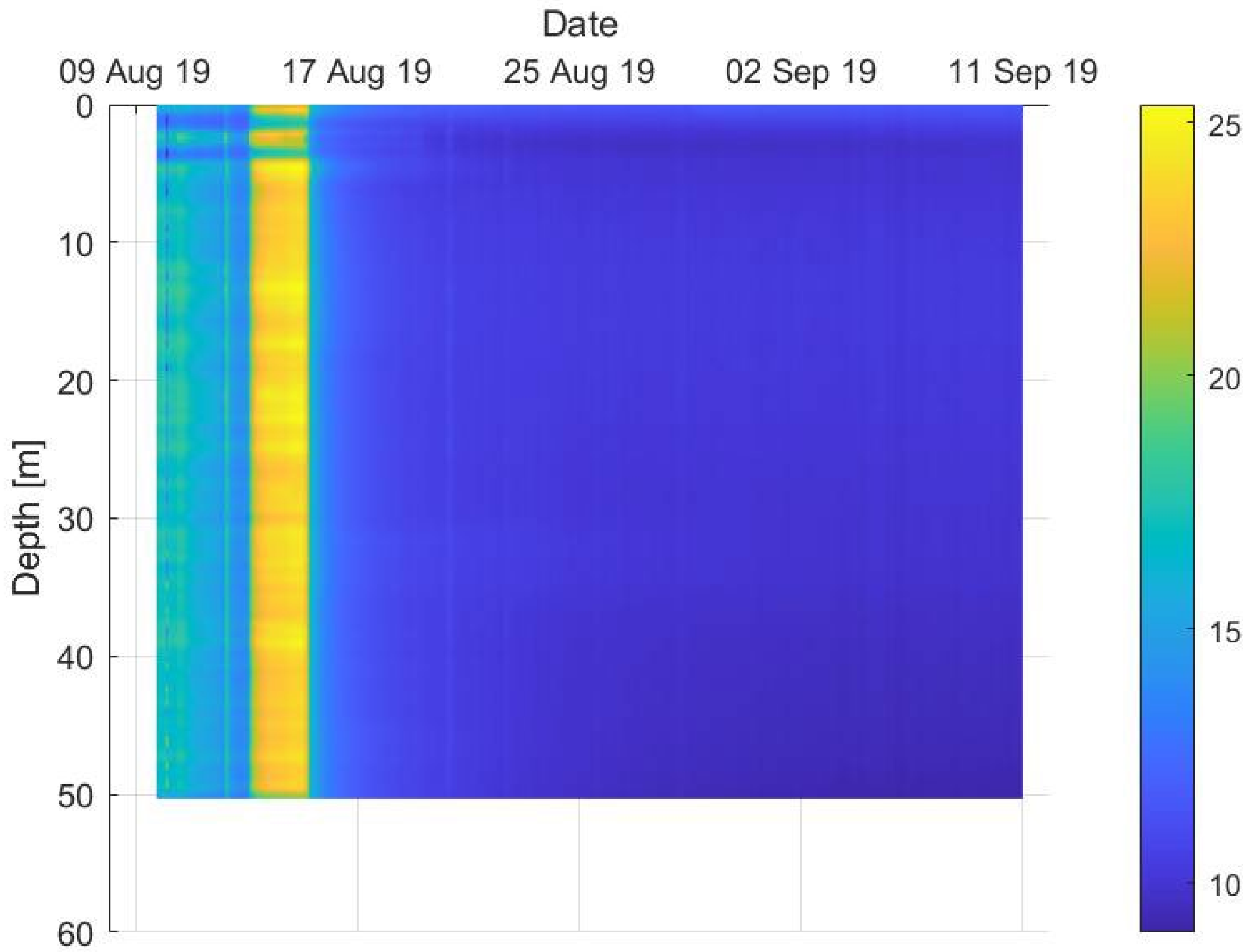


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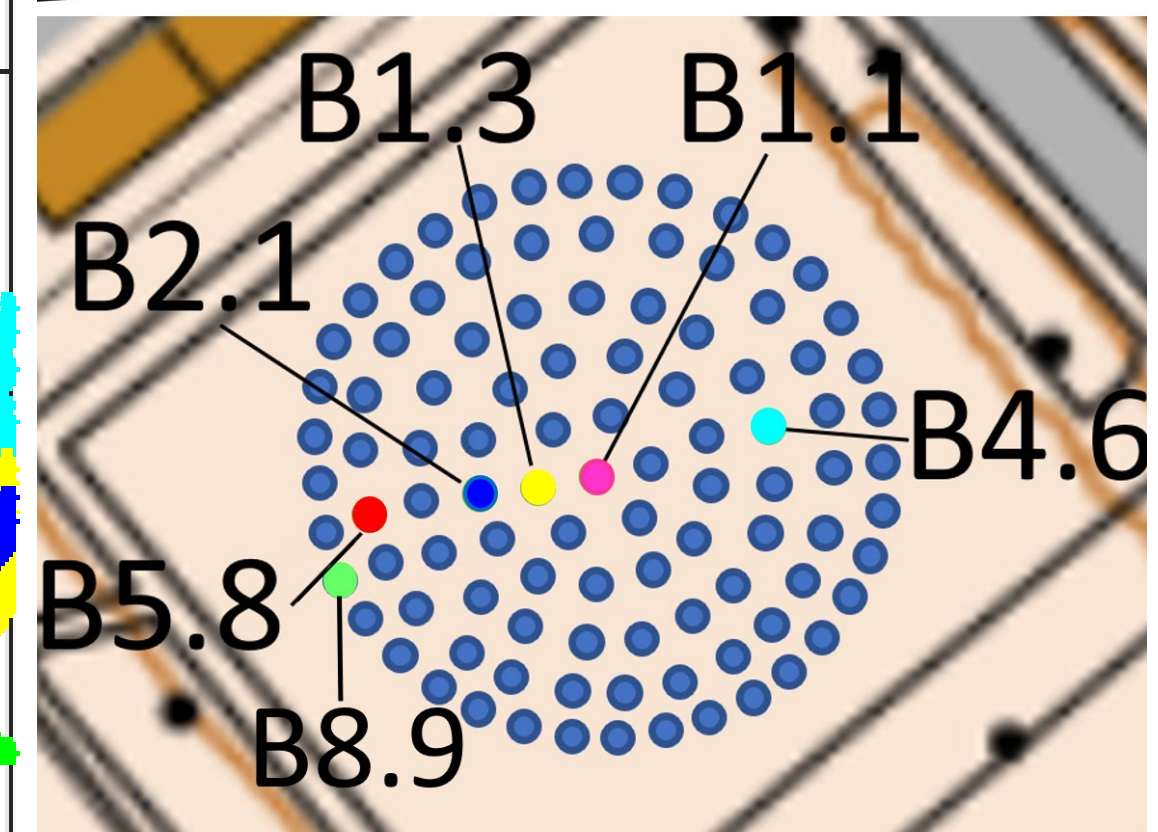
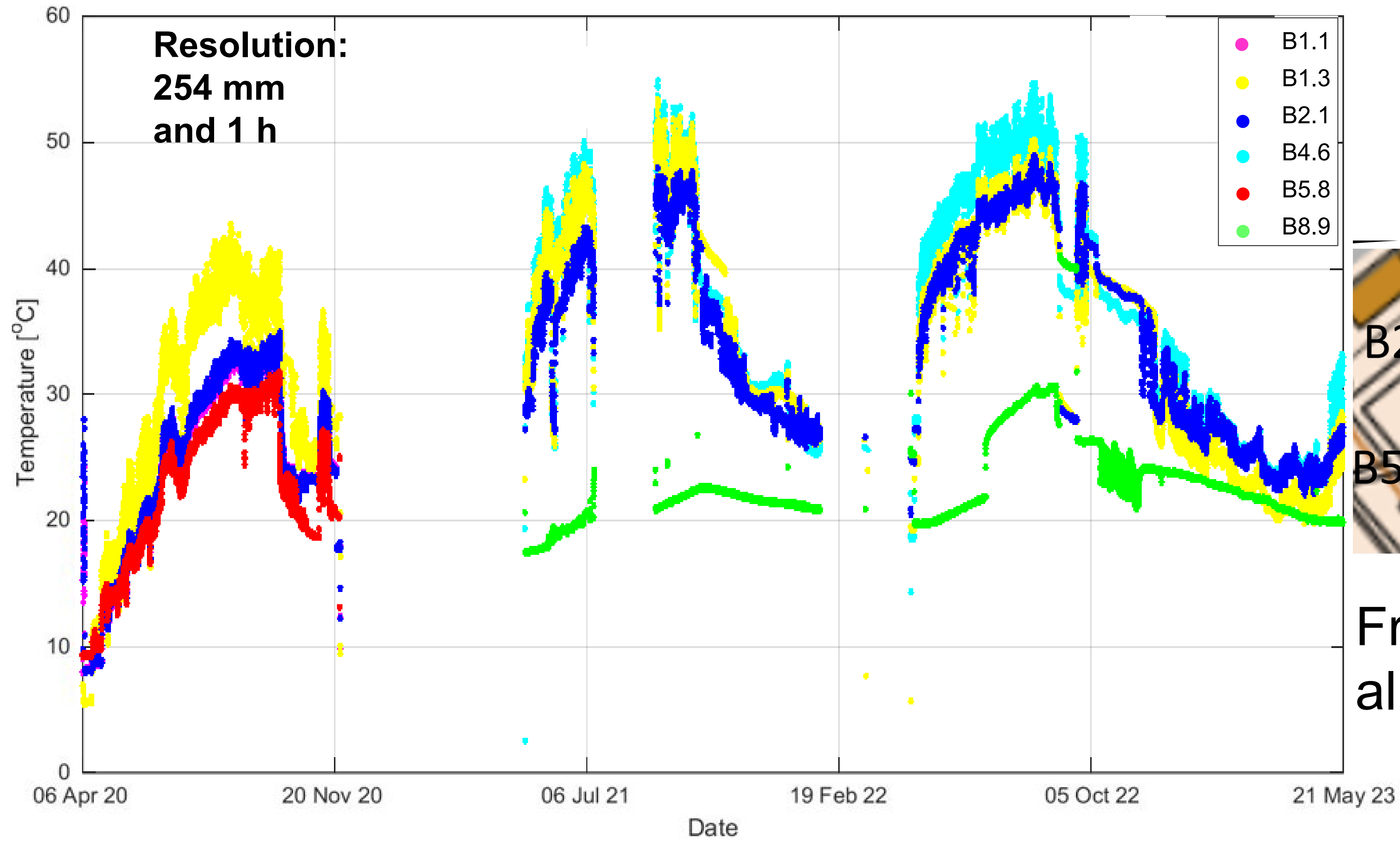


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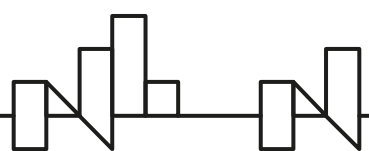




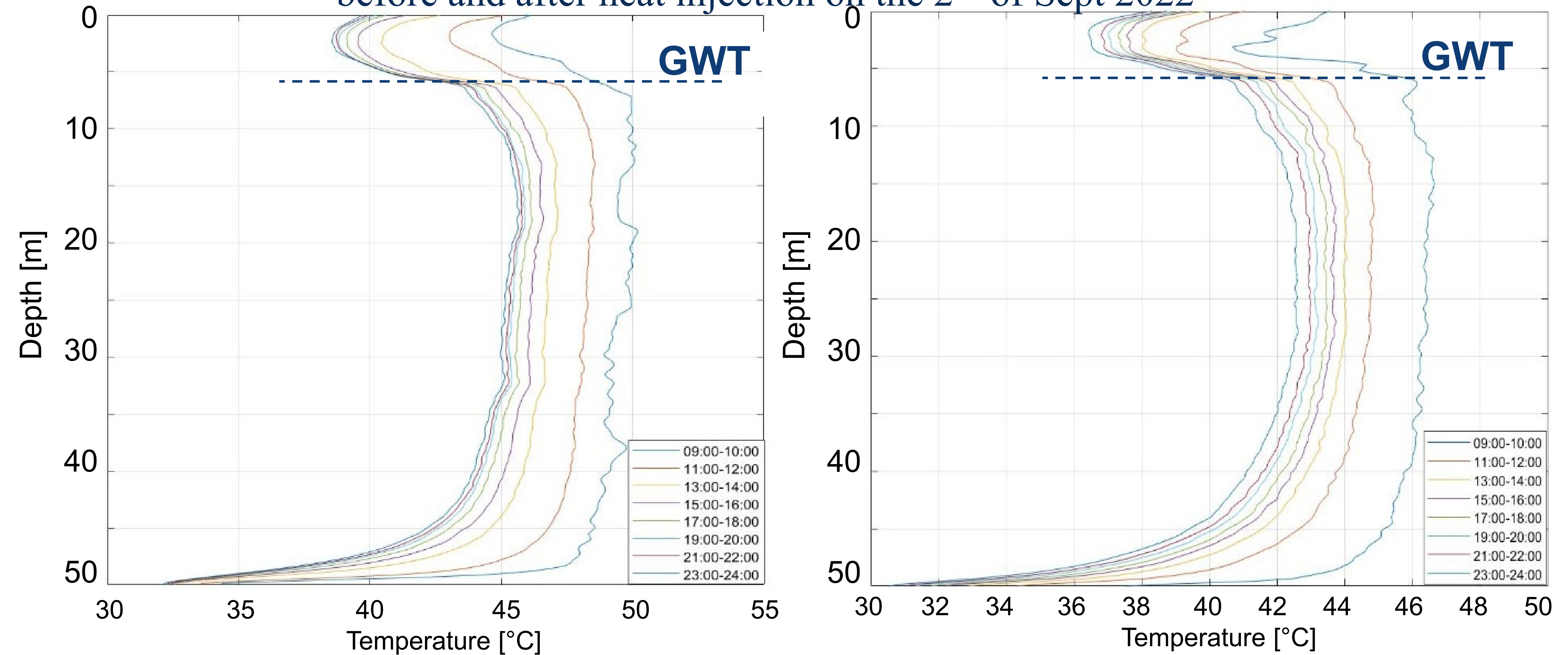
Measured mid-temperatures



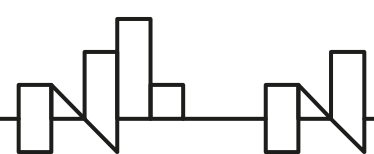
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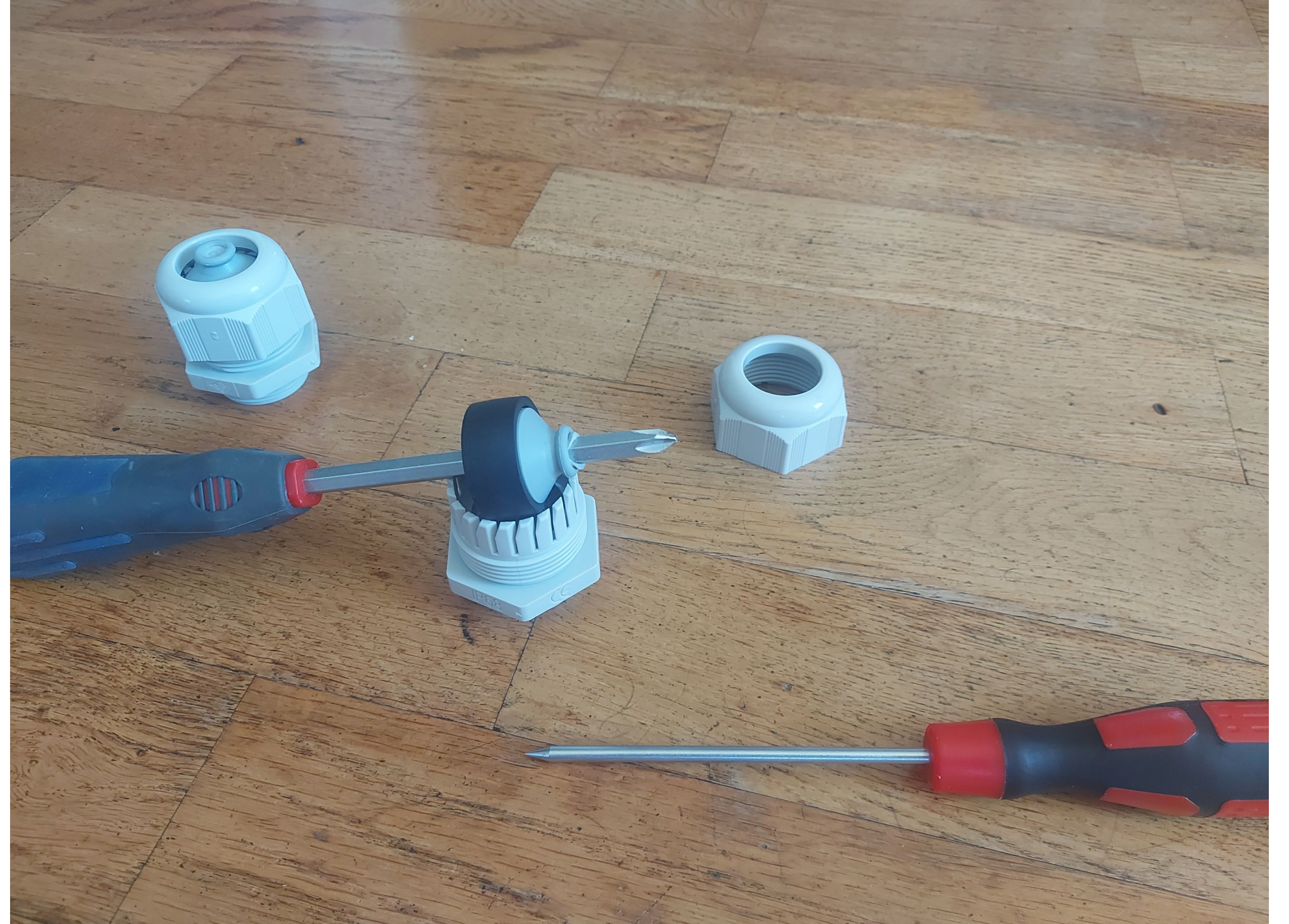


Temperature profiles in B4.6 (left) and B2.1 (right)
before and after heat injection on the 2nd of Sept 2022



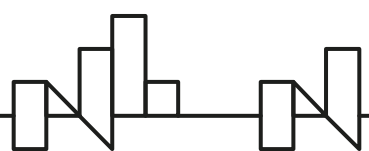
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Site III:

Vensmoen



Garage

Solid plastic pipe – protect
fibre

Waterbath

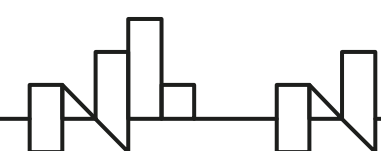
Logger

Calibration
coils

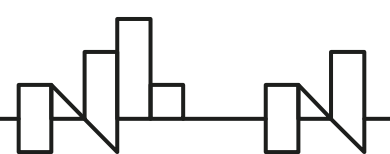
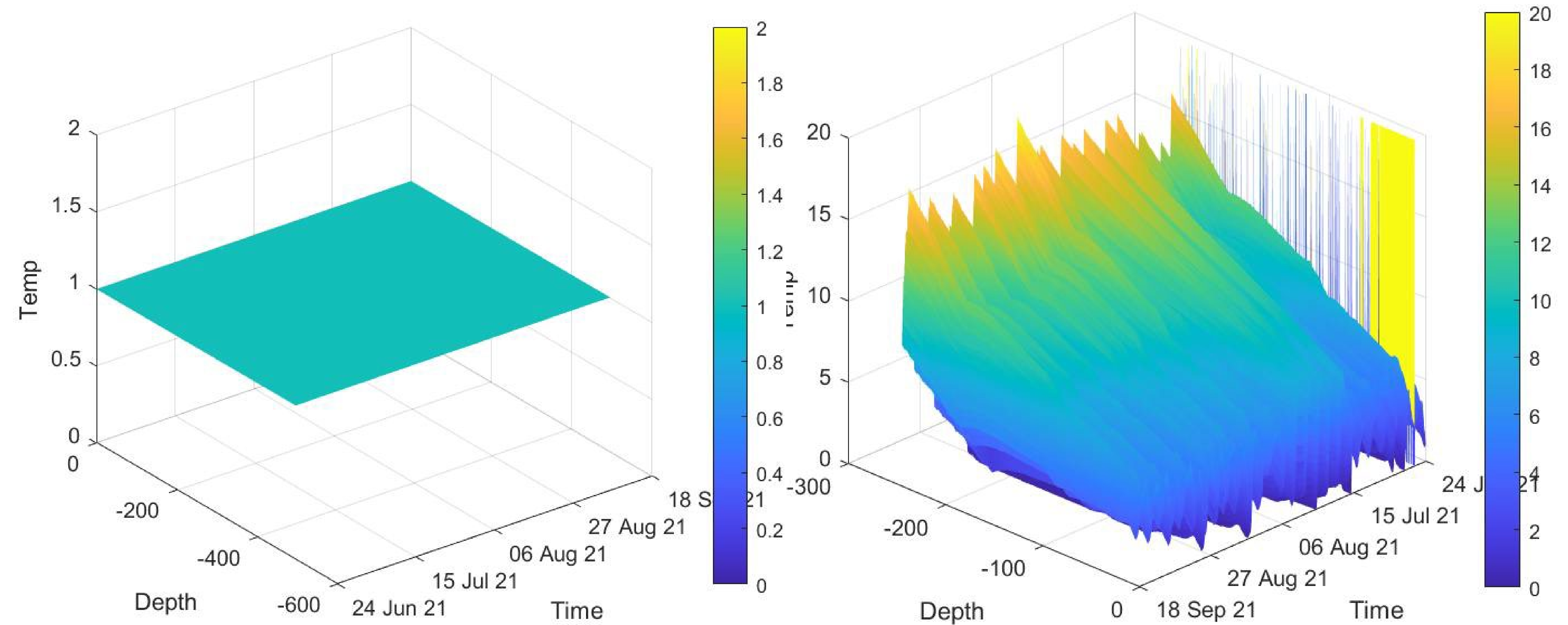
drilled holes

195 m

253 m

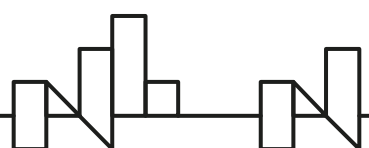


Results from Vensmoen – broken fibre in one well



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Thank you!

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