

How useful are (quantum technology) gravity measurements for on-site inspection?

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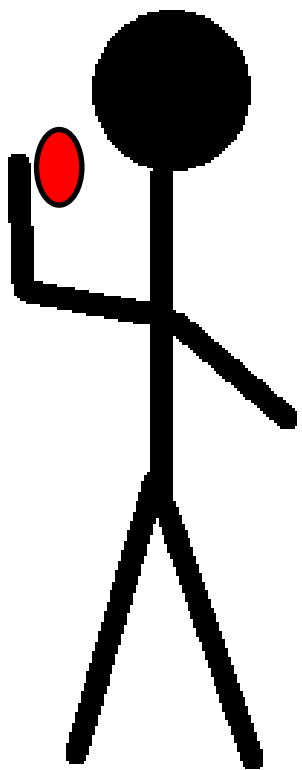
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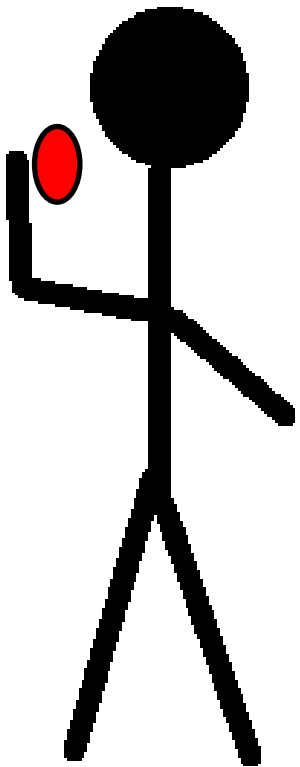
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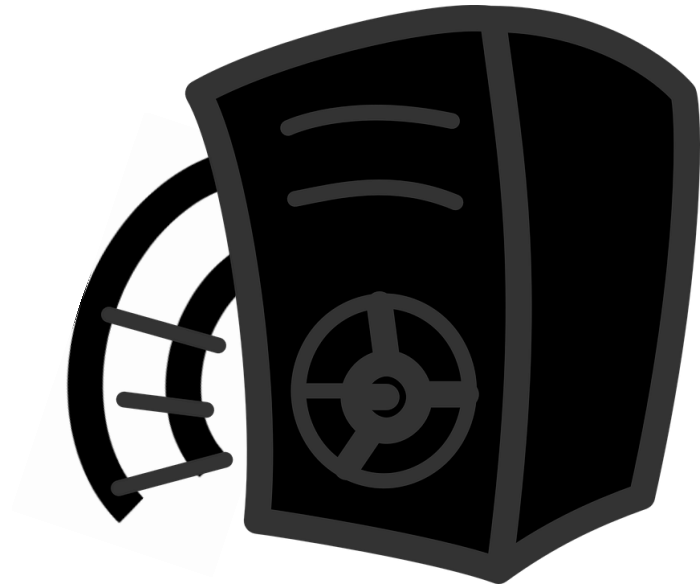
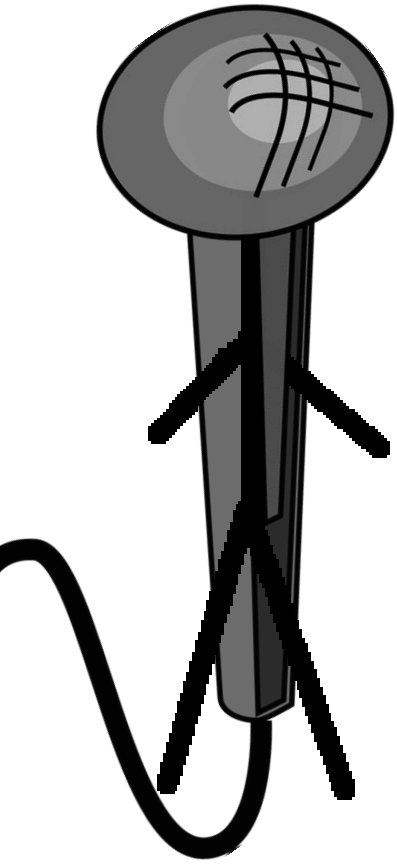
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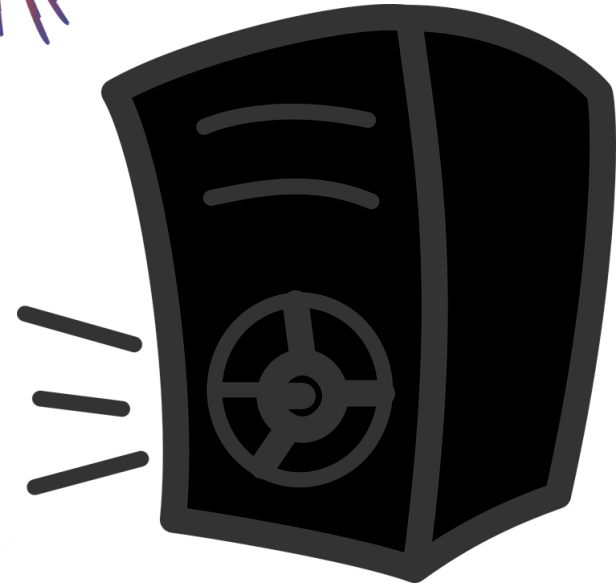
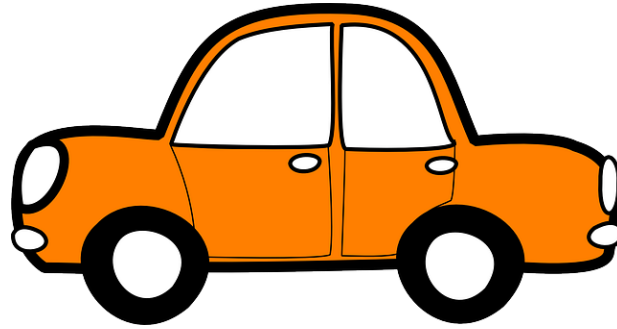
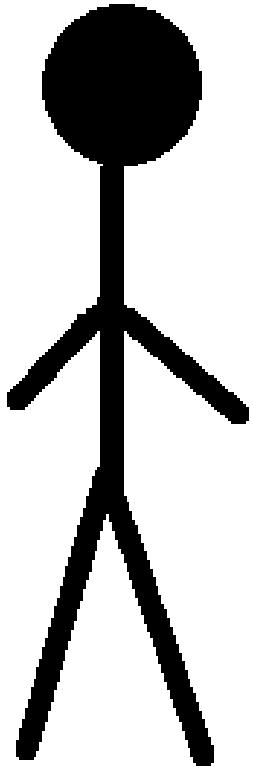






Would a 10 X more sensitive instrument be 10 X better at detecting OSI related observables?

No



GRAVIMETER (Single Sensor)

GRADIOMETER (Dual Sensors)

gravity field + noise

(gravity field (d1) + ~~noise~~)

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(gravity field (d2) + ~~noise~~)

NOISE

Atmospheric Pressure
Planetary Tide
Ocean Tide
Vibration from ocean waves traffic etc.

Signal from Buried Target

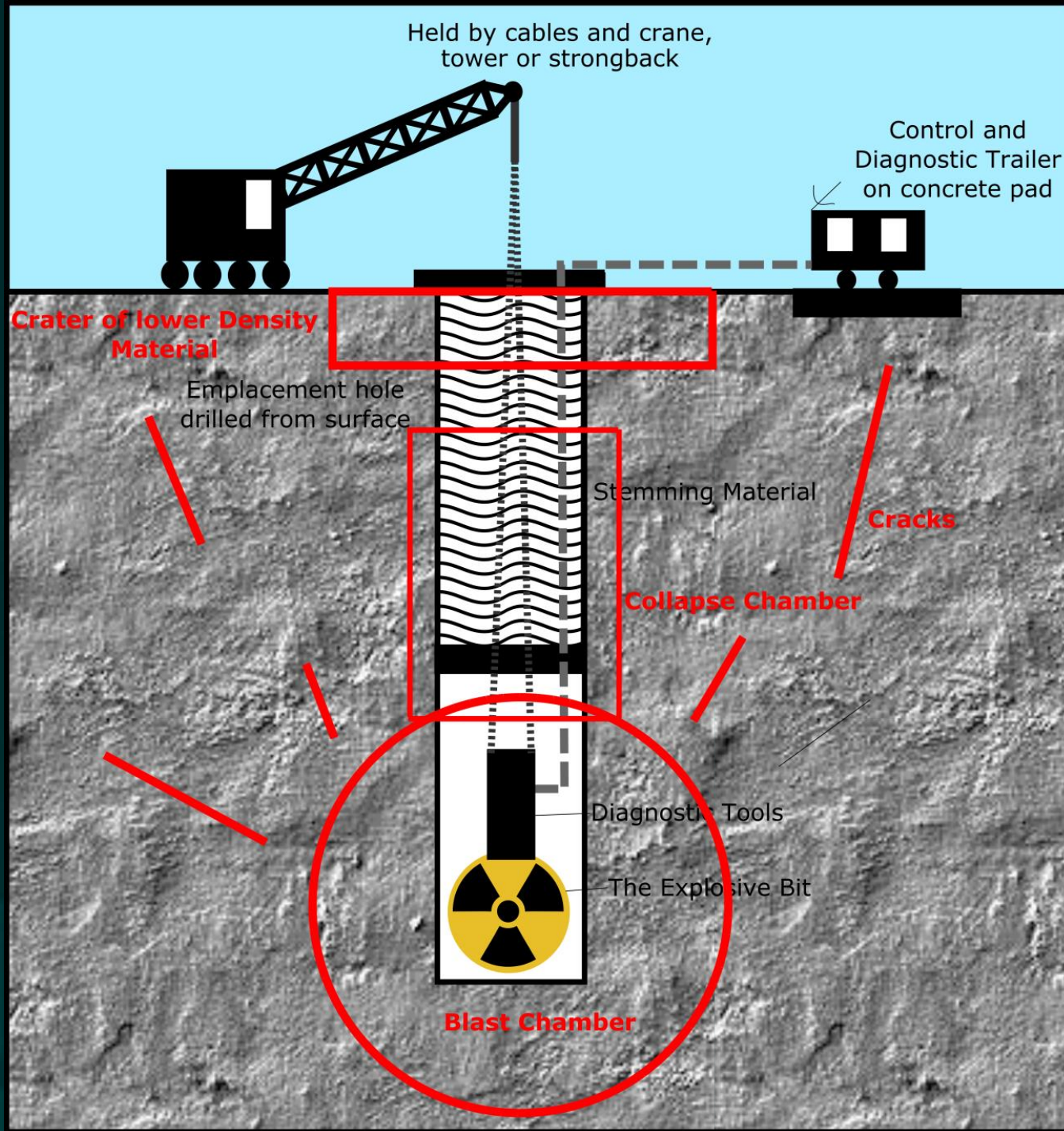


d2 Same noise measured by both sensors

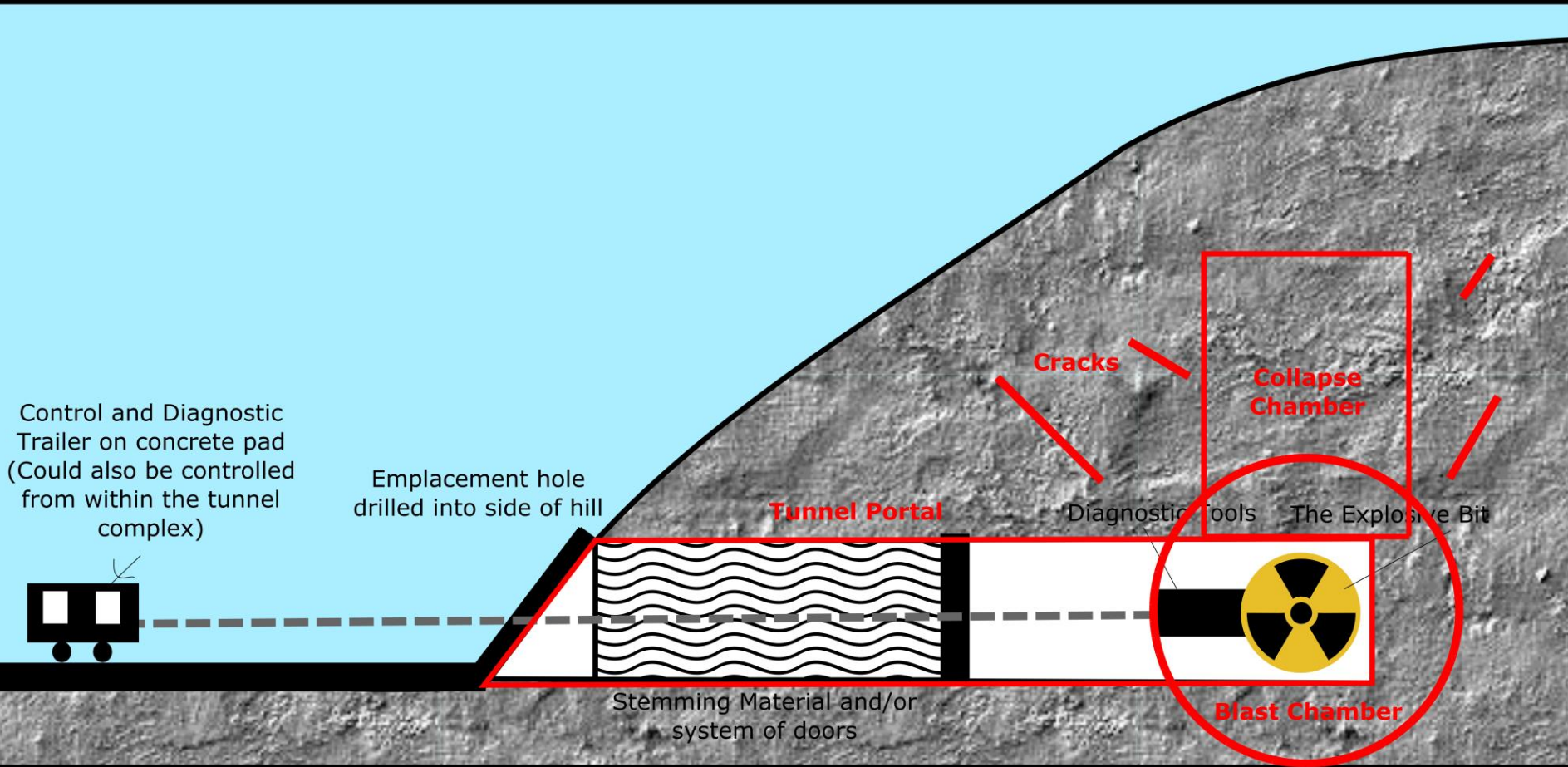
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Signal from Buried Target

Vertical Installation



Horizontal Installation



SIMULATED ANOMALY



"PERFECT" SIMULATED NOISE

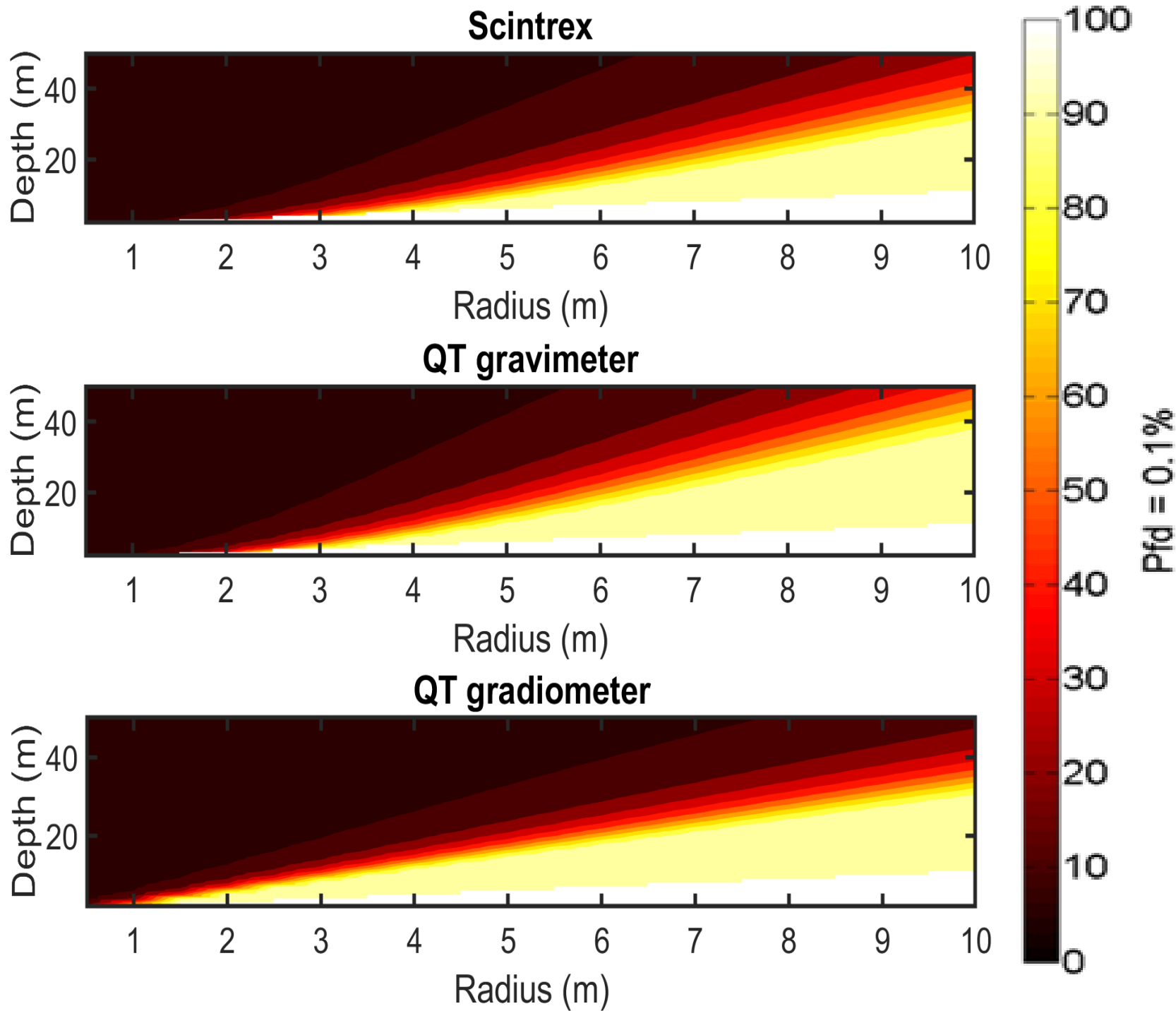


"IMPERFECT" REALISTIC CORRECTION



FINAL NOISY DATA

Tunnels



Results - Tunnels

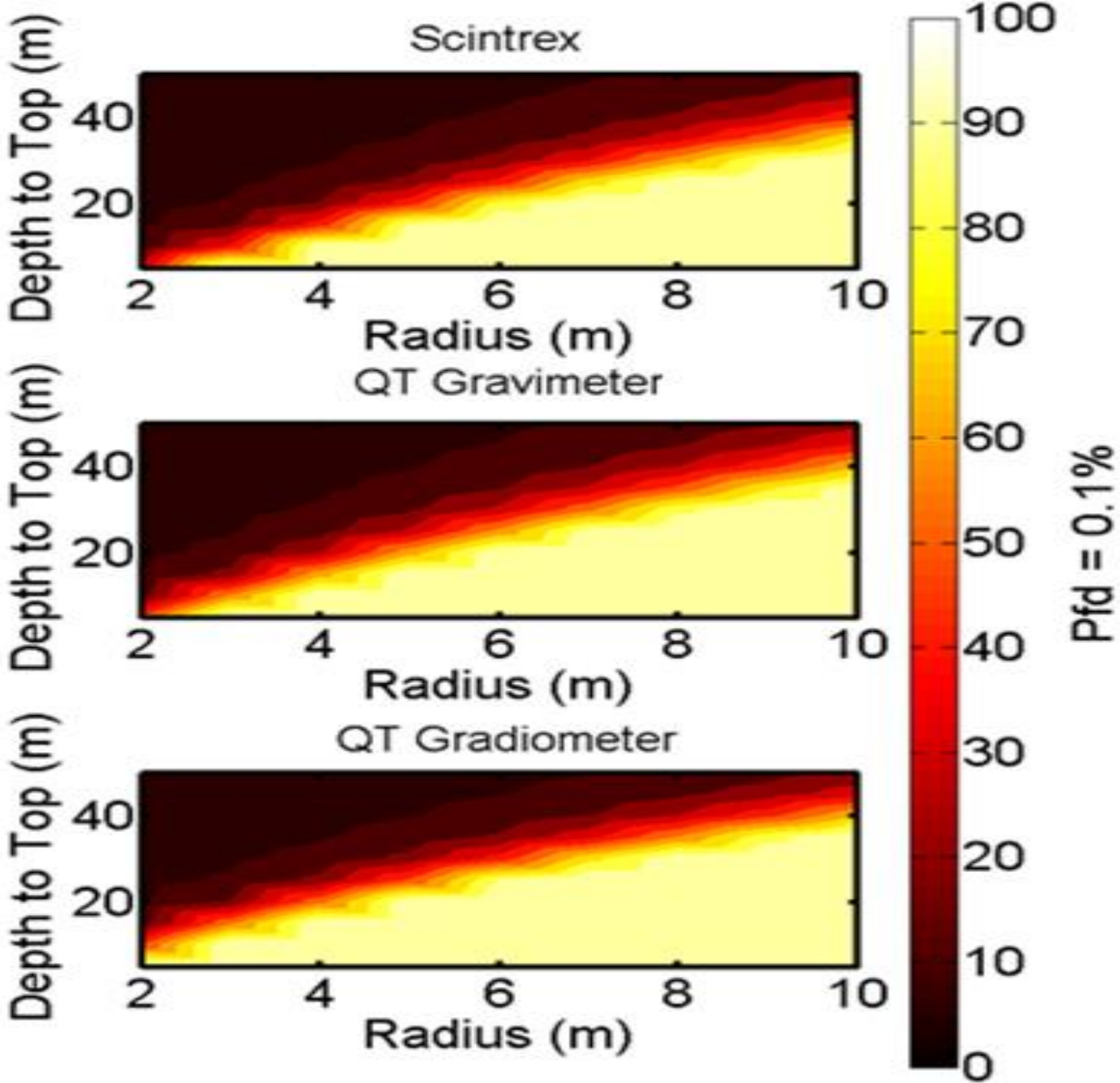
Size of object needed to give 75% chance of detection

Scintrex		QT gravimeter		QT gradiometer	
Depth (m)	Radius (m)	Depth (m)	Radius (m)	Depth (m)	Radius (m)
5	3.51	5	3.07	5	1.67
10	4.93	10	4.32	10	3.19
15	6.09	15	5.34	15	4.69
20	7.13	20	6.25	20	6.18
30	9.08	30	7.96	30	9.14
40	>10	40	9.63	40	>10
50	>10	50	>10	50	>10

12%

15-50%

Collapse Chambers



Results – Collapse Chambers

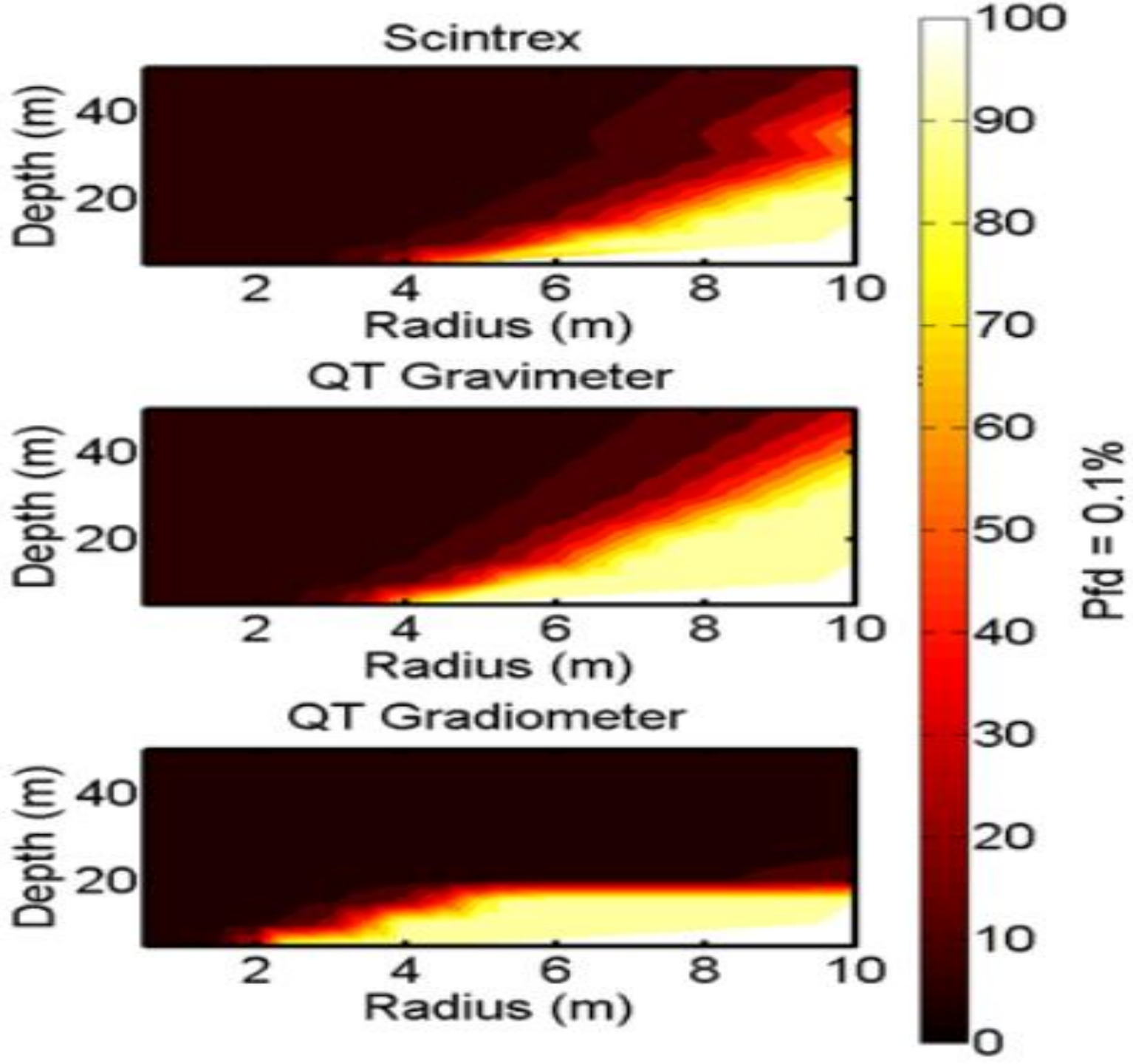
Size of object needed to give 75% chance of detection

Scintrex		QT gravimeter		QT gradiometer	
Depth (m)	Radius (m)	Depth (m)	Radius (m)	Depth (m)	Radius (m)
5	2.62	5	2.49	5	1.3
10	3.4	10	3.34	10	2.5
15	4.5	15	4.15	15	3.4
20	5.69	20	5.18	20	4.26
30	8.33	30	7.50	30	6.94
40	9.49	40	8.35	40	> 10
50	> 10	50	> 10	50	> 10

5-10%

20-25%

Blast Chambers



Results – Blast Chambers

Size of object needed to give 75% chance of detection

Scintrex		QT gravimeter		QT gradiometer	
Depth (m)	Radius (m)	Depth (m)	Radius (m)	Depth (m)	Radius (m)
5	4.45	5	4.05	5	2.43
10	6.25	10	5.41	10	3.65
15	7.62	15	6.59	15	4.92
20	8.47	20	7.19	20	-
30	< 10	30	8.93	30	-
40	< 10	40	< 10	40	-
50	< 10	50	< 10	50	-

10-15%

35-45%

Conclusions

Gradiometer for shallow targets =
increased OSI speed and accuracy

Gradiometer is poor at deeper targets
($>20\text{m}$)

Variometer?

Other Noise reduction methods?

WE HAVE A SPECIFIC SET OF SKILLS

A man with dark hair and a black sweater is shown from the chest up, holding a mobile phone to his ear. He has a serious, slightly worried expression on his face, with furrowed brows and a slight frown. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

AND WE WILL FIND YOU