

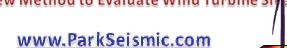
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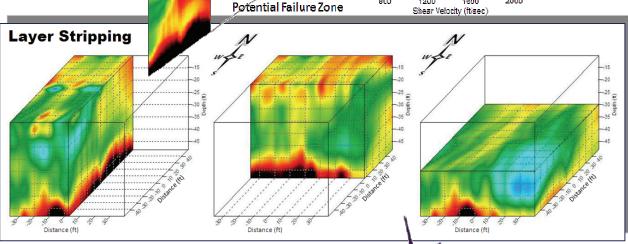
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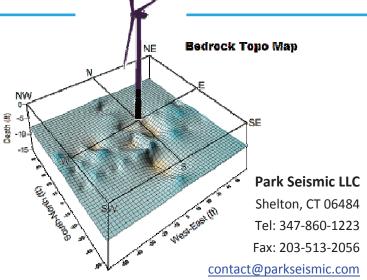
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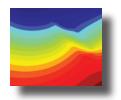
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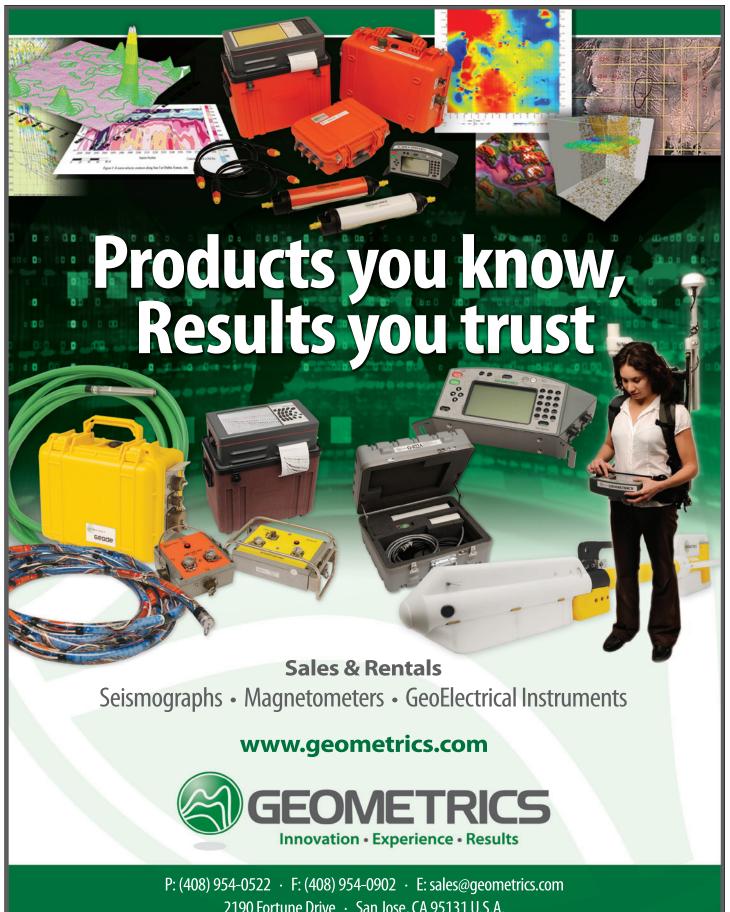
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

This has been a year of anniversaries. We have just celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Symposium on the Application of Geophysics to Engineering & Environmental Problems (SAGEEP) in Tucson Arizona at the Hilton Tucson El Conquistador. Not only was this the 25th SAGEEP but EEGS is celebrating our 20th anniversary as EEGS began in 1992 at the 5th annual SAGEEP held in Oak Brook. Illinois. Also. notably two of EEGS's corporate members (Zonge and Geonics) are celebrating their 40th and 50th anniversaries and many of you helped them celebrate their longevity and success at the Tucson meeting.

Looking back, early in my career I was privileged to attend the first SAGEEP which was held in Golden Colorado on the Colorado School of Mines campus. It was a pivotal time in my life and greatly reinforced my desire to pursue near surface geophysics as a career. The early meetings, although smaller had all of the components of today's meetings that so many of you enjoy. These meetings included technical presentation, publications, demonstrations. equipment

vendor booths, networking, and continuing education. In addition, the early SAGEEP meetings were a mix of academia, consultants, equipment manufacturers. government. and students much like the current SAGEEP meetings. There were also nights of food and drink where friendships were forged and business was accomplished. While each venue and city has been unique, the traditions started twenty five years ago in Golden Colorado were the beginnings of where SAGEEP and EEGS are today.

The 25th annual SAGEEP in Tucson carried on the traditions started in Golden. Sorry to say but if you weren't in Tucson this past March - you missed it. This was one of my favorite SAGEEPs and I have been to many of them. The meeting was well attended with over 320 people present. The El Conquistador was a wonderful venue set in the beautiful Arizona desert. The 25th SAGEEP meeting was packed full with an ice breaker, guest speakers, an excellent technical program, short courses, workshops, field trips, equipment demonstrations, a full exhibit hall, luncheons, and the western style conference evening. That being said, we have already moved on to planning



Douglas Layman, President

next year's SAGEEP meeting. The 2013 SAGEEP will be held on March 17 through March 21 in Denver at the Denver Marriott Tech Center. As many of you know, we return to the Denver area every couple of years for SAGEEP. This will be a great meeting so plan to attend the 2013 meeting in Denver. See our web page (www. eegs.org) for additional details.

One last thought. It occurred to me in Tucson that some things certainly have changed over the last 25 years. EEGS is no longer a struggling fledgling society. EEGS has grown up and we are a leading society for applied near surface geophysics. The growth and success has been a culmination of all the effort, service, and commitment, by you the membership past and present. On behalf of the society I would like to thank each one of you for vour commitment and many contributions and congratulate you on a "Happy Anniversary". See you in Denver!

FOUNDATION NEWS



EEGS Foundation makes great strides in its first years.

Since the launch of the EEGS Foundation, there are numerous accomplishments for which we can all be proud: Establishing and organizing a structure that serves the needs of EEGS; underwriting the legal process, achieving tax-exempt status; and soliciting and receiving support for SAGEEP. In addition, the Foundation helped underwrite the SAGEEP conference held this spring in Keystone.

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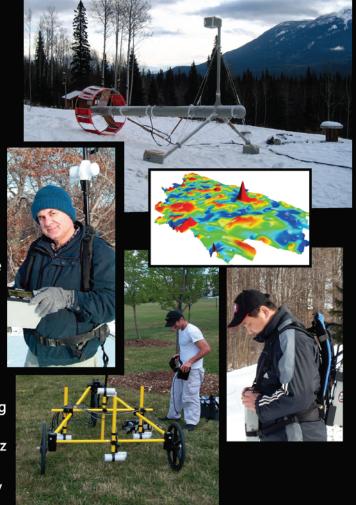
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Dr. George V. Keller received his Bachelor of Science (1949) and Master of Science (1952) degrees in Geophysics and his Doctorate (1954) in Geophysics and Mathematics from Pennsylvania State University. From 1945-46, he served in the U. S. Navy as a Seaman First Class. During his career he was employed by the U.S. Geological Survey (1952-1963) and by the Colorado School of Mines

(1964 to 1993).

While with the USGS, Dr. Keller's assignments included management of studies of geophysical aspects of nuclear weapons testing for tests carried out within ConUS, impact of earth properties on Command and Control Communications (C31), surveys of the Arctic Ocean during the International Geophysical Year from Drifting Station Bravo (T3), and participation in the early USGS planning team for Deep Sea Drilling (AMSOC).

At the Colorado School of Mines, Dr. Keller's principal areas of interest were in development and applications of electrical geophysical methods to exploration for mineral and energy resources. He served as Head, Department of



Geophysics, from 1974 to 1983. He retired from teaching May 1, 1993.

He received a distinguished service award from the U.S. Department of Interior in



1959, was awarded the first Halliburton Award for outstanding professional achievement in 1979, served as a senior Fulbright scholar at Moscow University in 1979, was invited on a distinguished lecture tour by the Japan Association for Advancement

of Education during the summer of 1986, and served as a Senior NATO Scholar at the University of Pisa in 1991. He has served as a consultant to many companies and government agencies involved in the earth sciences. Most important among the government assignments were as a member of President Johnson's Blue Ribbon Committee on Mine Safety, as a member of President Carter's energy Research Advisory Board, subcommittee on Geothermal Energy, and as a member of and chairman of the Committee Advisory to the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory on the Hot Dry Rock (HDR) Project. In 1996, he was named a Centennial Fellow of the College of Earth and Mineral

Sciences at Pennsylvania State University.

Dr. Keller formed Group Seven, Inc. in 1970 to provide electrical geophysical services to the energy industries. During the 1970s, Group Seven grew to a com-



Dr. Keller (second from left) and students inspect the caldera of Mauna Keaon the island of Hawaii.

Geothermal Class Takes Field Trip to Hawaii pany with about 60 employees and carried out geophysical surveys for a large number of energy companies and government agencies, includ-



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In the Fall of 2004, he joined a floating campus for the Semester-at-Sea program. He taught three earth science classes to students from throughout the U. S. as the ship sailed around the world.

Dr. Keller has published extensively, including more than 200 technical papers in his own name, more than 2000





pages of translations of technical articles which originally appeared in the Russian literature, and 8 books and texts on the electrical methods of geophysical prospecting. He served as translation editor of the jour-

nal "Soviet Mining Science," published by Plenum Press from its inception in 1965 until 1994. During that period, he was responsible for supervisory editing of some 15,000 pages of technical articles originally published in Russian.

Most important among Prof. Keller's publications are 7 books dealing with the electrical geophysical methods.

One of these books became a classic reference and is regularly cited to this day. The book, first published in 1966, was co-authored with his colleague and friend from the USGS, Frank Frischknecht, and was titled "Electrical Methods in Geophysical Prospecting." Its popularity is emphasized by the fact that a second edition was published in 1982.





In 1994, Dr. Keller began research on the detection and identification of hand guns. This research led to the award of U.S. Patent 5552705 on September 3, 1996.

Dr. Keller's last position was president and chief scientist at StrataSearch Corp.

The last picture shows Dr. Keller with former grad students and friends at his 80th birthday party in 2007.

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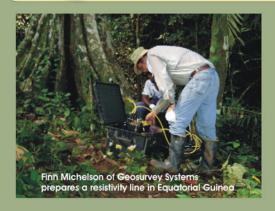
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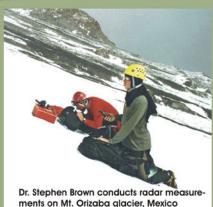


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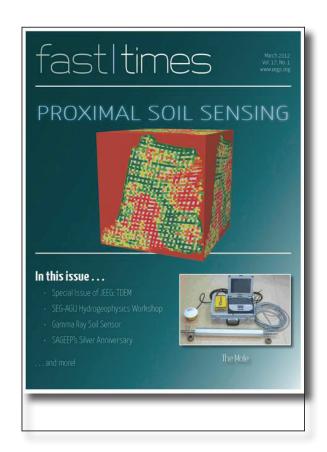
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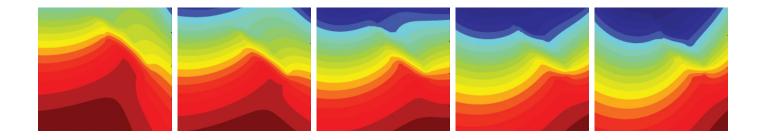
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Cross-hole seismoelectric measurements consist in triggering seismic sources in one borehole sequentially and measuring the electrical and seismic response in another borehole or in a set of boreholes. For each shot, in the seismoelectric time-window comprised between the time of the shot and the time of the first arrival of the seismic waves, the seismoelectric signals correspond only to seismoelectric conversions at local heterogeneity of the properties of the porous material located between the wells. These electrical anomalies can be inverted to detect the location of the heterogeneities using a focusing method for the source current density combined with an Active Time Constraint (ATC) approach. This time-lapse compact source inversion in 2.5 D is applied here for the first time to a sequence of synthetic shots and the source current density stacked in order to image the seismoelectric conversions occurring between the wells. Applications would concern dynamic imaging between two wells during remediation or the production of oil and gas reservoirs..

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INTRODUCTION

Seismoelectric measurements has been shown to be an effective method to detect heterogeneities between boreholes [Zhu and Toksöz, 1998; Mikhailov et al., 2000; Zhu and Toksöz, 2003; Hu et al., 2007; Dupuis et al., 2009] but no algorithm is presently available to perform the inverse problem. The seismoelectric method consists of measuring two types of electrical fields associated with the propagation of seismic waves through a porous material: One of these fields is related to the conversion of mechanical-to-electromagnetic energy at heterogeneity characterized by gradients or drops in the mechanical or electrical properties. The resulting field is called the seismoelectric field or the interfacial electrical field response. The second type of electrical disturbance corresponds to the co-seismic electrical field traveling at the same speed than the seismic P, slow P and S-waves.

propose an algorithm to perform the inversion of seismoelectric conversion when a set of seismic sources detonated successively in one well and the electrical field is recorded in a second well (or a set of wells) before the arrival of the seismic waves. The shape reconstruction of heterogeneity between two wells may be possible through the seismic method alone in the case where the heterogeneities are due to the contrasts in the seismic velocity. That said, the seismoelectric method is sensitive to heterogeneities in both seismic and electrical parameters of the porous medium.

In the present paper, we consider the case of a single heterogeneity located between two wells. We use the timelapse seismoelectric field for a set of seismic sources to reconstruct the shape of this heterogeneity between the two wells and we discuss the result.

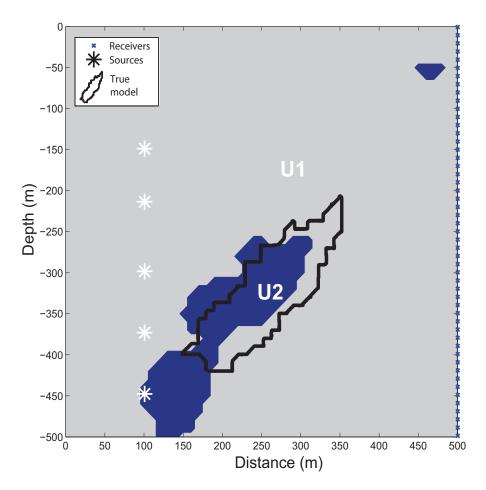


Figure 1. Domain of $500m \times 500m$. On each side, an extra layer of 50m (not shown in figure) is considered with PML boundary conditions (absorbing the seismic wave). Borehole #1 is located at x=100m, and 5 seismic sources are considered. Borehole #2 is placed on x=500m, and 50 receivers (electrodes and geophones are considered), placed every 10m. Geometry properties for the two units are provided in Table 1. The true position of the heterogenity U2 is shown by the thick black line. The aggregated source localization in shown in blue using the combined information from the six time lapse compact inversion.

THEORY

The isotropic and isothermal poroelastic problem can be expressed in term of the displacement of the solid phase \mathbf{u} and in terms of the fluid pressure p [Jardani et al., 2010]:

$$-\omega^2 \rho_{\omega}^s \mathbf{u} + \theta_{\omega} \nabla p = \nabla \cdot \hat{\mathbf{T}} + \mathbf{F} \tag{1}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{T}} = \lambda(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})\mathbf{I} + G[\nabla \mathbf{u} + \nabla \mathbf{u}^T]$$
 (2)

$$\mathbf{T} = \hat{\mathbf{T}} - \alpha p \mathbf{I} \tag{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{M}p + \nabla \cdot \{k_{\omega}[\nabla p - \omega^2 \rho_f \mathbf{u}]\} = \alpha \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$$
 (4)

where $j^2 = -1$ (j represents the pure imaginary number), $\omega = 2\pi f$ is the angular frequency in rad.s⁻¹ (f is the frequency in Hertz), F is the body force on the elastic solid phase (in N), T is the stress tensor (in Pa), λ denotes the drained Lamé modulus of the porous material (in Pa), ρ_m^s corresponds to the apparent mass density of the solid phase at a given angular frequency ω (in kg m⁻³), and M is one of Biot's moduli (in Pa). The stress tensor in Equation (2) corresponds to the stress tensor with the porous material placed in vacuum, while Equation (3) describes the relationship between the total stress tensor and the effective stress tensor. The material properties are given by $k_w = (w^2 \tilde{\rho}_f + jwb)^{-1}$, $b=\eta_f/k_0$, $\tilde{
ho}_f=
ho_f/F$, and $\lambda=K-(2/3)G$, where Kdenotes the bulk (drained) mudulus) and G the shear mudulus of the porous material, $\alpha = 1 - K_{fr}/K_s$, $\rho_{\omega}^s=\rho-w^2\rho_f^2k_w, \theta_w=\alpha-\omega^2\rho_fk_w, \rho=\phi\rho_f+(1-\phi)\rho_s \text{and}$ $M=K_fK_s[K_f(1-\phi-K_{fr}/K_s)+\phi K_s]^{-1}$, where $k_{_{\!arphi}}$ is a frequency-dependent transfer function, $\eta_{\scriptscriptstyle f}$ denotes the dynamic viscosity of the pore fluid (in Pa s), k_a denotes the DC-permeability (in m^2), ϕ denotes the connected porosity, $K_{\mbox{\tiny fr}}$ represents the bulk modulus of the dry porous frame (in Pa), K_f is bulk modulus of the pore fluid (in Pa), K_s denotes the bulk modulus of the solid phase (in Pa), ρ represents the mass density of the saturated porous medium (in kg m⁻³), $\rho_{\rm f}$ and $\rho_{\rm s}$ denotes fluid mass density and the solid mass density respectively (in kg m⁻³), $\tilde{\rho}_f$ is an effective fluid density, F is the electrical formation factor, and $ho^{s}_{_{m}}$ corresponds to the apparent mass density of the solid phase at a given frequency ω (in kg m^{-3}). To compute the value of F, we use Archie's law $F = \phi^{-m}$, with m, the cementation exponent, taken equal to 2 by default.

The exact form of the partial differential equations resulting from Eqs. (1) to (4) to solve numerically with finite element approach for two unknown fields \mathbf{u} and p in the water saturated case can be found in Jardani et al. [2010] and will not be repeated here. These boundary conditions express the continuity in the solid displacement, the pore fluid pressure, the fluid displacement, the momentum flux, and the tangential components of the electrical field across an interface. The poroelastic seismic forward modeling code based on the previous equations has been benchmarked by Jardani et al. [2010].

The mechanical-to-electromagnetic conversion is based on the electrokinetic theory developed by Revil and Linde [2006] and used for the seismoelectric problem by Jardani et al. [2010] and Revil and Jardani [2010]. We also assume that the electromagnetic diffusion can be neglected and we treat the electrical problem as quasistatic, an approximation that is perfectly justified for cross-well problems as discussed in Jardani et al. [2010]. With these assumptions, the electrical potential ψ is governed by a Poisson equation:

$$\nabla \cdot (\sigma \nabla \psi) = \mathfrak{F} \tag{5}$$

where $\Im(\mathbf{r},w) = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{j}_s(\mathbf{r},w)$ is a volumetric source term and the source current density (in A m⁻²) resulting from the mechanical-to-electric conversion is given by:

$$\mathbf{j}_s = \overline{Q_v}\dot{\mathbf{w}} = -jw\overline{Q_v}k_w(\nabla p - w^2\rho_f\mathbf{u})$$
(6)

where $\mathbf{E} = -\nabla \psi$ denotes the (quasi-static) electrical field (in V m⁻¹), σ represents the electrostatic potential (in V), ψ represents the electrical conductivity of the porous rock (in S m⁻¹), and \overline{Q}_V (in C m⁻³) denotes the excess of electrical charges in the pore space of the porous material.

FORWARD MODELING

We consider the case of an heterogenous inclusion located between two wells as shown in Figure 1. The forward seismoelectric problem is performed with the finite-element package COMSOL Multi-physics 3.5a. The problem specification in COMSOL comprises the following steps: (1) formulating the semi-coupled field equations describing the dynamic poroelastic problem and the associated electric disturbances, (2) defining the geometry of the model, (3) specifying the model parameters, (4) designing the rectangular mesh, (5) selecting the parameters of the boundary layer conditions (we use Perfected Matched Layer PML as boundary conditions, see Jardani et al. [2010] for further details), and (6) solving the partial differential field equations. The problem is solved in 2.5 D.

We use the stationary parametric solver PARDISO (http://www.pardiso-project.org/) to solve the poroelastic wave propagation problem in the frequency domain. This solver is used to determine the distribution

of u_x , u_z , p as a function of space and stored in time domain after inverse Fourier transform. Then we compute the quasi-static scalar potential ψ by solving the Poisson equation coupled to the solution of u_x , u_z , p by its source term. The solution in the time domain is computed using an inverse-Fourier transform. In the frequency domain, we solve the partial differential equations from 1 to 100 Hz with a step of 1 Hz. The six seismic sources shown in Figure 1 are detonated sequentially in Borehole #1. Meanwhile, seismic and electrical data are recorded for each individual seismic shot. Table 1 represents the material properties of media U1 and U2 used in the model.

Figure 2 shows some snapshots of the seismic waves, the associated electrical current density and the resulting voltage at Electrode #25 in Borehole #2. A movie showing the wave propagation and the generation of the electrical signals is provided at the end of the article.

	Parameter	Description	Unit U1	Unit U2
	σ	Conductivity of the medium	0.1 S m ⁻¹	0.001 S m ⁻¹
	$ar{Q}_{V}$	Excess of charge per unit pore volume	3090 C m ⁻³	1585 C m ⁻³
	ρ_{s}	Bulk density of the solid phase	2650 kg m ⁻³	2650 kg m ⁻³
	$\rho_{\rm f}$	Bulk density of the fluid phase	1000 kg m ⁻³	983 kg m ⁻³
4	ф	Porosity	0.10	0.33
	K_s	Bulk modulus of the solid phase	6.9x10 ⁹ Pa	37x10 ⁹ Pa
	K_{f}	Bulk modulus of the fluid phase	0.25 x10 ⁹ Pa	2.40 x10 ⁹ Pa
	G	Shear modulus of the frame	3.57x10 ⁹ Pa	5x10 ⁹ Pa
	${ m K}_{ m fr}$	Bulk modulus of the frame	6.89x10 ⁹ Pa	9.60x10 ⁹ Pa
	$\mathbf{k}_{_{0}}$	DC permeability	10 ⁻¹⁶ m ²	10 ⁻¹¹ m ²
	η_{f}	Dynamic viscosity of the pore fluid	10 ⁻³ Pa s	10 ⁻¹ Pa s

Table 1. Material properties for the numerical simulation corresponding to the case study (U2 denotes the inclusion and U1 the homogeneous background).

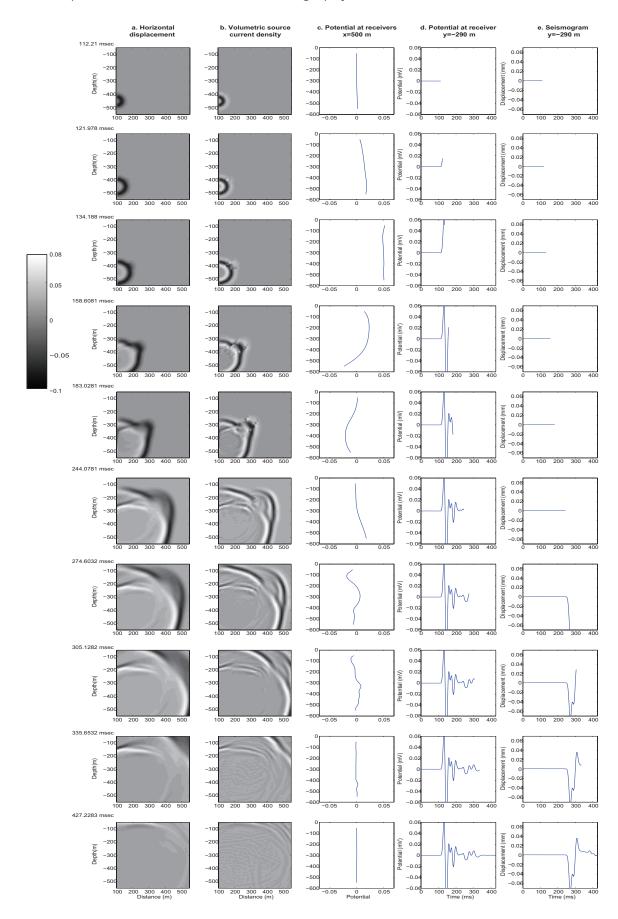


Figure 2. Snapshots of the seismic wave propagating to the medium (a) and the coresponding volumetric current density (b). Potentials recodered at all receivers placed at x=500 meters (c). Response of a receiver (x=0, y=-290m) that records potentials (d) and the coresponding response of the geophone on tha same location (e).

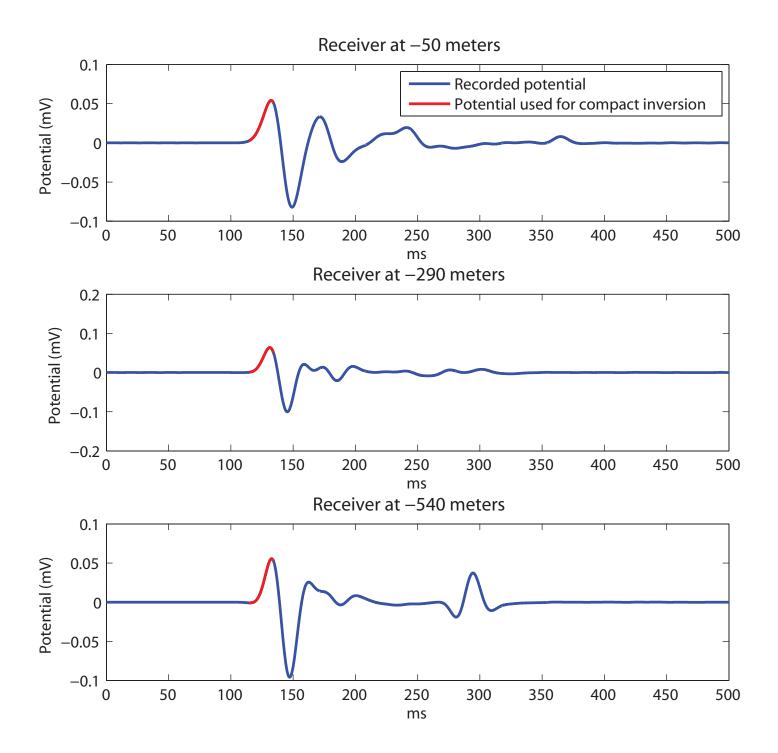
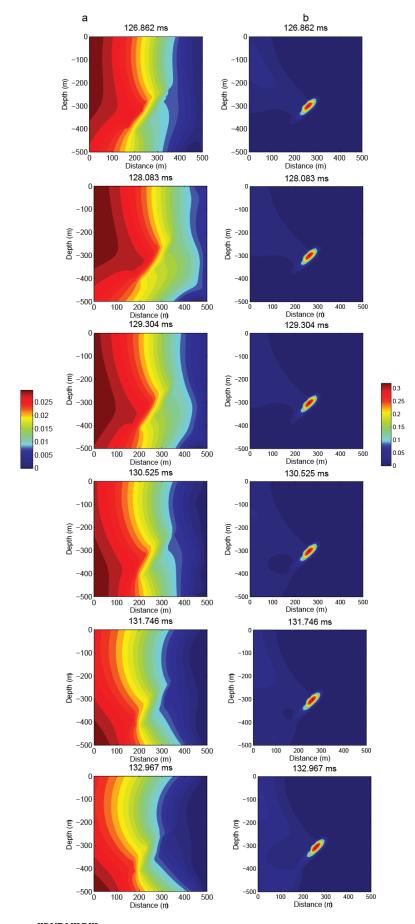


Figure 3. Recorded potential at three receivers (blue line), and potentials used for time lapse compact inversion (red line). The choice is based on the first time the seismic wave is hitting the inclusion.



INVERSE MODELING

At each time in the SC-time window and for each shot, we use the electrical potential distribution recorded on the array of electrodes located in the second well in order to find the position of the current source generated through the seismoelectric conversions between the two wells. Our goal is to develop an algorithm to invert these voltages to recover the position \mathbf{r} and the amplitude of volumetric current source $\Im(\mathbf{r},t)$. At each time step, the seismic waves impinging on the interface are responsible for the source current density, which has compact support (i.e., the spatial distribution of sources at any given time is very sparse). Therefore, the algorithm we use below is based on compactness as a regularization tool as developed for the self-potential source inversion problem by Minsley et al. [2007a, b]. The governing equation of the forward electrical model can be written at each time step as,

$$\mathbf{K}\varphi(r,t) = s(r,t) \tag{7}$$

where K is the sensitivity matrix depends on the distance source-receiver and the distribution of the electrical resistivity, s (r,t) is a vector containing the M source current density terms $\Im(\mathbf{x},t)$, and $\varphi(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{t})$ is the vector of electric potential observations at the N receivers locations and in time t. The sources, s (r,t), can be theoretically be calculated if $\varphi(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{t})$ is known completely, but the data are only sampled at a set of receiver locations. The number of receiver locations is much less than source density terms (N < < M), therefore only a subset of rows **K** is used, selected by the N by M matrix operator **P**. The matrix P is a selector matrix (see Minsley et al [2007]), and therefore the new sensitivity matrix for the electrical potential inverse problem is described as PK^{\blacklozenge} , where K^{\blacklozenge} denotes the matrix K^{-1} .

As the seismic wave propagates in the medium

Figure 4. a. Time-lapse inversion of initial solution (diffusive solution). b. Time lapse inversion if compact source location. Since only the first arrivals is used, the compact source inversion shows current density sources belonging to the the inclusion body in the areas first impacted by the seismic wave. It is important to notice, that due the Fresnel zone, an interface is acting as a distributed current source rather than just as a single point source.

and hits the interface of the heterogeneity at different positions generating source current densities, which in turn generate measurable electrical potential fluctuations at the receivers. Therefore in our approach, we define the source locations as a function of space and time, and the inversion algorithm is able to adopt two regularizations, one in space and one time. The time lapse model and the data are described as $\hat{s} = [s_1, s_2, \cdots, s_t]^T$ and $\varphi_d = [\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \cdots, \varphi_t]^T$, respectively, t being the number of time steps for one seismic shot and comprised inside the STW. The kernel matrix is written as,

$$\mathbf{PK}^{\blacklozenge} = \operatorname{diag}[\mathbf{PK}_{1}^{\blacklozenge}, \mathbf{PK}_{2}^{\blacklozenge}, \cdots, \mathbf{PK}_{t}^{\blacklozenge}] \tag{8}$$

where $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}_{i}^{igoplus}$ is the sensitivity matrix for time-step i, as described previously. The predicted data are written as $\varphi_{p} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}^{igoplus} * \mathbf{S}$. The error vector is written as $e = \varphi_{d} - \varphi_{p}$. The cost function G to minimize is written as (Zhang et al., 2005; Kim et al., 2009),

$$G = \left\| e^T e \right\|^2 + \lambda \Psi + \alpha \Gamma \tag{9}$$

where Ψ is and Γ are the spatial and temporal regularizations, and λ and α the corresponding Lagrange values. Ψ and Γ defined as,

$$\Psi = \operatorname{diag}[\Psi_1, \Psi_2, \cdots, \Psi_t] \tag{10}$$

$$\Psi_i = \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{2} \frac{S_k^2}{S_k^2 + \beta^2} \tag{11}$$

$$\Gamma = \sum_{i=1}^{t-1} \|S_{i+1} - S_i\|^2 \tag{12}$$

where s_k an element of vector S_i , β is a compact parameter, M is the number of possible source location, within one time step. Minimizing G with respect to the model vector yields the following equations,

$$(\Omega_{j-1}^{-1}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}^{\bullet T}\mathbf{W}_{d}^{T}\mathbf{W}_{d}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}^{\bullet}\Omega_{j-1}^{-1} + \lambda\mathbf{I} + \alpha\mathbf{M}^{T}\mathbf{M})\mathbf{S}_{w,j}$$

$$= \Omega_{j-1}^{-1}\mathbf{P}\mathbf{K}^{\bullet T}\mathbf{W}_{d}^{T}\mathbf{W}_{d}\varphi_{d} - \alpha\mathbf{M}^{T}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{S}_{w,j-1}$$
(13)

$$\mathbf{S}_j = \Omega^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{w,j} \tag{14}$$

where j is the compact inversion iteration number (we found that for point sources j = 7 iterations provides always a suitable result in terms of source convergence), \mathbf{M} is a square matrix where one diagonal and one sub-

diagonal have values 1 and -1 accordingly, \mathbf{W}_d denotes the data weighting matrix (determined according to the standard deviation on the data), $\Omega = \operatorname{diag}[\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \cdots, \Omega_t]$ is a matrix containing the sensitivity scaling and minimum support regularization, and is expressed as,

$$\Omega_i = \operatorname{diag}\left\{\frac{\Lambda_{kk}^2}{S_{k_{(j-1)}}^2 + \beta^2}\right\} \tag{15}$$

$$\Lambda = \operatorname{diag}\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{N} PK_{tkj}^{*T^2}}$$
(16)

The vector Λ represents an inverse-sensitivity weighting function that accounts for distance from the receivers as well as the resistivity structure. In the following, we consider \mathbf{W}_d to be diagonal with each element on the diagonal being the inverse of the estimated variance of the measurement errors. A sensitivity analysis of the problem is shown here. The electrical potential data are contaminated by a Gaussian noise with a standard deviation of 5% of the computed data mean. We consider 5 snapshots comprised into the seismoelectric time window to perform the inversion for each seismic source. The value of β is 10^{-7} (compact solution), the time-regularization parameter is $\alpha = 10^{-2}$ and the Lagrange parameter is found using the L-curve method. The most important parameter in the inversion is the β -parameter that controls the compactness of the source. It is advisable to start with a small number, based on analysis of the diffusive solution, and increase the number of compact source iterations. The parameter λ controls the stability of the inversion, and it is strongly depended on the noise of the data. We use the L-curve to estimate an optimum value of λ . The parameter α is an extra regularization in the inverse problem, It is on the same order of magnitude with λ parameter.

Figure 3 shows the recorder potential for three characteristic receivers (up, middle, and down), when the source is located at a depth of 370 m. In this approached, we used only the first arrivals of the potential to the self-potential inversion. Figure 4a shows the inverted source location before the compact source localization, while Figure 4b shows the compact solution after 7 iterations. Since only the first arrivals is used, the source is localized

on the surface of inclusive body.

The result of the inversion is shown in Figure 1 (blue color). An aggregated solution is chosen, by keeping all source location above that threshold.

CONCLUSIONS

We have developed the first inversion algorithm to perform cross-hole seismoelectric inversion. The algorithm is tested on a numerical case consisting of an inclusion embedded into an homogeneous material. Using only the electrical field in the second borehole, we are able to find the shape of the heterogeneity. The next step will be to perform a joint inversion of the resistivity, seismic, and seismoelectric data and to combine the deterministic inversion proposed in the present paper with the stochastic inversion proposed in Jardani et al. [2010].

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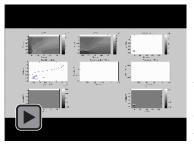
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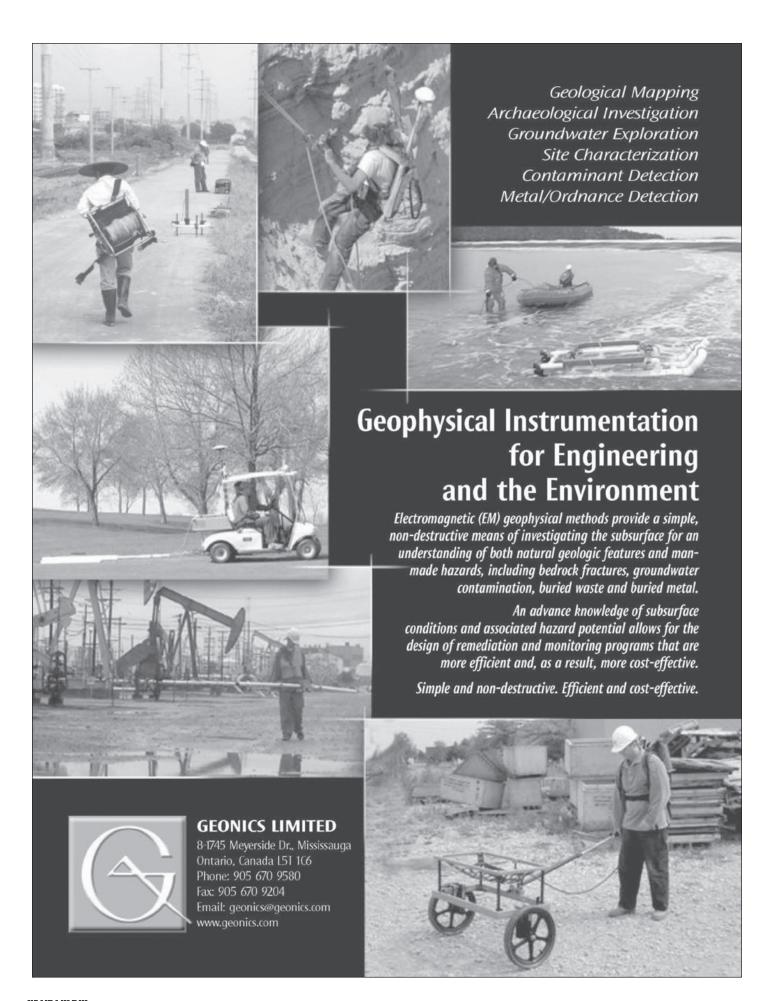
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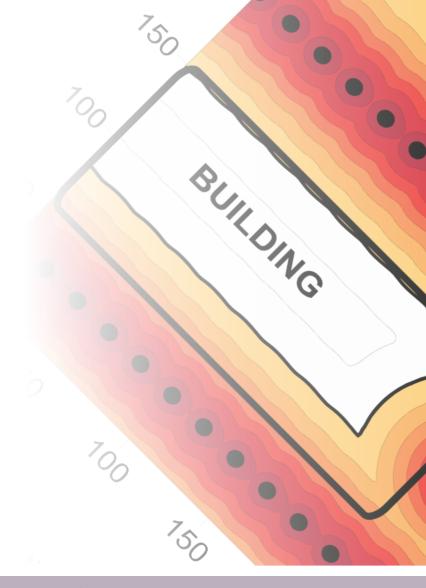
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A SIMPLE
APPROACH
TO ASSESS
THE SPATIAL
COVERAGE OF A
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When presenting the results of a microgravity survey to an engineering client or other enduser of the data, we are often asked about the spatial coverage of the survey. What percentage of the site is adequately sampled by the survey? How far out do you see from the gravity meter? After explaining that the answers to those questions depend on many factors such as depth of burial, density contrast, target size, target geometry, etc., the client is either confused or asleep. In order to better answer these questions, we present a simple graphical approach in defining the spatial coverage of a microgravity survey. We use microgravity data as an example, but the same approach could be applied to magnetic or other potential field data.

The spatial sampling and survey design for a microgravity survey are generally described in ASTM 6430-99 (ASTM, 2005). Factors such as the expected gravity response to targets of interest and the need for data at a given location are considered when planning a microgravity survey. Optimally, a grid of microgravity stations would equally cover the site with a sampling interval that is adequate to define the shallowest of targets. In reality, project budgets and surface obstructions limit the number of gravity stations and their placement within the site. Therefore, there is a need to assess the spatial coverage of the site, given the limited number of gravity stations and the targets of interest for the survey.

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TARGET RESPONSE

The gravitational response (or anomaly) to a given target can be modeled using well-known equations developed for three-dimensional shapes that simulate the target (Telford et al., 1976). Typical targets for a microgravity survey include features such as isolated cavities, horizontal karst conduits, and vertically-weathered fracture zones. When appropriate shapes such as spheres, cylinders, and planar sheets are modeled to simulate these features, the anomaly magnitude and width can be calculated for various depths and locations beneath the survey area.

In this example, we examine the response of an air-filled spherical void in rock. The gravity response (vertical component) due to the void depends on its density contrast, size, depth, and the measurement distance from the void as shown in the equation below:

$$g_z=8.5$$
 ((a^3))/(z^2 (1+ x^2/z^2) $(3/2)$)

Where, g_z is the gravity response in μ Gals, σ is the density contrast in g/cm³, α is the radius of the sphere, z is the depth to the center of the sphere and x is the lateral distance from the center of the sphere. Distances are in units of feet.

Figure 1 shows the response of an air-filled spherical void centered at depths of 20, 30, and 40 feet. The void has a density contrast of 2.4 g/cm³ (simulating an air-filled cavity in limestone) and a diameter of 20 feet. Based on this model and our minimum depth of interest, we decide that a 20-foot station spacing will adequately sample the target along our survey lines.

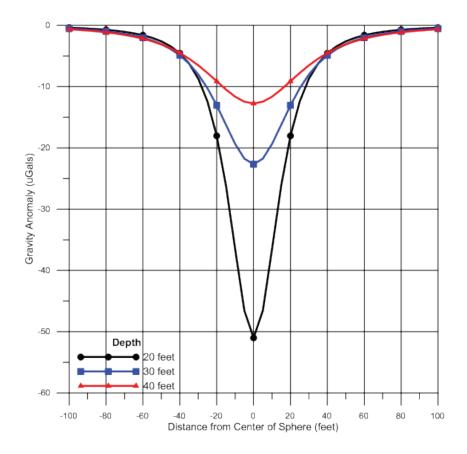


Figure 1. Gravity anomaly due to 20-ft diameter spherical void at various depths.

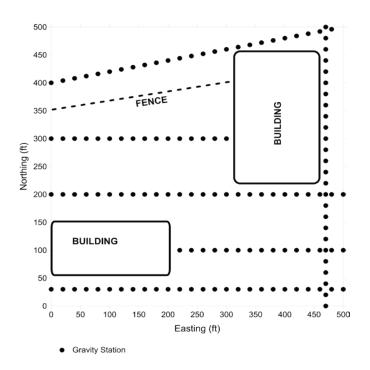
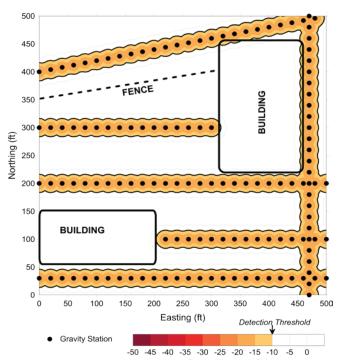


Figure 2. Microgravity survey line layout.



Gravity Anomaly (uGals)
Figure 3. Maximum gravity anomaly for a 15-foot diameter
spherical void at a depth of 20 feet.

SPATIAL COVERAGE

Based on the initial modeling, we would like to cover the site with a 20 \times 20-foot survey grid for our gravity measurements. However, the site has some surface obstructions that will limit the placement of the survey lines and our budget restricts us to less than 150 stations. Therefore, we position survey lines in accessible areas of the site as shown in Figure 2.

The spatial coverage and detectability of targets within the survey area will be highly biased towards locations directly beneath the survey lines. What if our target lies between the survey lines? What portion of the survey area is adequately sampled for a given target? In order to help visualize the answers to these questions, we calculate the maximum magnitude of the anomaly if a given target is located at any position within the survey area and observed at the gravity stations as shown in Figure 2.

Figure 3 shows the maximum magnitude of a 15-foot diameter spherical void at a depth of 20 feet. The magnitude of the anomaly falls below the detection threshold (conservatively set at 10 QGals) at distances of approximately 17 feet from the gravity stations. Figure 4 shows the maximum magnitude of a larger 30-foot diameter spherical void at a depth of 40 feet. The magnitude of the anomaly falls below the detection threshold at a much greater distance of approximately 50 feet from the gravity stations.

APPLICATIONS

The plan-view representation of the maximum magnitude anomaly for a given target is a simple graphical means to assess the spatial coverage for the survey. It is a useful method to describe the spatial coverage to end-users of the data without over-complicating the issue. The method can also be used in the pre-planning stages of the survey to aid in survey line placement.

Figure 4 illustrates some important concepts in microgravimetry. Note that the 10-µGal detection threshold area extends significantly away from the survey lines and beneath the buildings. For very good site conditions coupled with very exacting microgravity survey procedures, the detection threshold can sometimes lowered to 5 μ Gals, which for this case would extend the detection coverage to most of the areas covered by the buildings. Also, if the interiors of the buildings accessible, microgravity are measurements can easily be made within buildings, where other surface geophysical methods would be limited.

We note that this method is not entirely complete and neglects the spatial wavelength of the anomalies, which would have to be addressed separately as in Figure 1. Similar, but more complex, planview maps could be developed for features that extend along one axis such as a cave or tunnel. The method is certainly not a substitute for more complete forward and inverse models of subsurface conditions, but is meant to be a quick way to illustrate the answer to a complex question. the method does not explicitly consider terrain corrections and corrections for manmade surface structures.

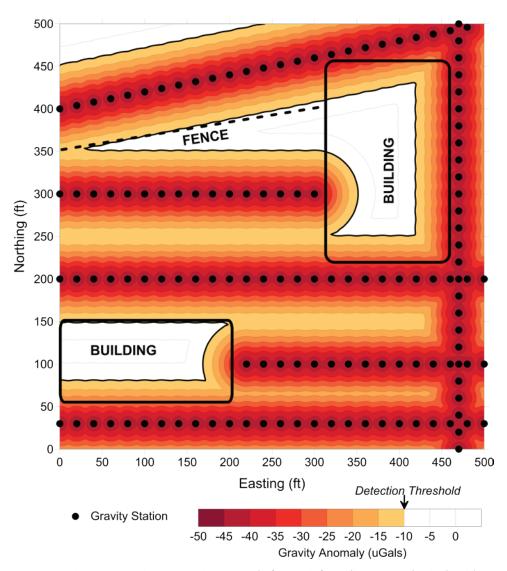


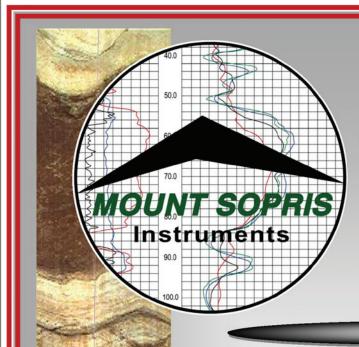
Figure 4. Maximum gravity anomaly for a 30-foot diameter spherical void at a depth of 40 feet.

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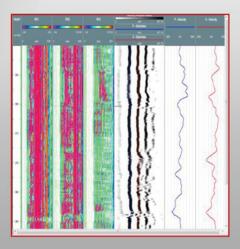




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EEGS and SEG/NSG Discuss Increased Cooperation

The spring of 2012 will mark the 25th anniversary of the SAGEEP conference and the 20th year of existence for EEGS. Both EEGS and the Near Surface Geophysics (NSG) Section of SEG have served the near surface geophysics community during a period of significant growth and technological advancements. These two organizations have had significant overlap in membership and mission. In recent years, these two organizations have worked together for the benefit of the discipline and their members. Examples include:

- Joint publication of at least two significant resources, the 2005 Near Surface Geophysics volumes and the recent "Advances in Near-Surface Seismology and Ground-Penetrating Radar" volume
- Online release of current and past issues of the Journal of Environmental and Engineering Geophysics and SAGEEP proceedings, through the EEGS Research Collection of the SEG Digital Library
- Board-level support ("Level 3") from SEG for special joint sessions at the 2011 and 2012 SAGEEP conferences
- EEGS Foundation's support of the SEG Foundation's Geoscientists Without Borders® program through a special luncheon at SAGEEP and other promotional activities.

Over the years, there have been numerous discussions between the two organizations about how to best serve the needs of the near-surface geophysical community. Recently, EEGS and the SEG have jointly created a task force to formally consider how the two organizations might better accomplish this. The committee has begun meeting and will make recommendations to their respective society board of directors and members. The committee members have been selected and sanctioned by the leaderships of both organizations. They are:

Peter Annan, Sensors & Software
John Bradford, Boise State University
William Doll, Battelle
Mark Dunscomb, Schnabel Engineering
Doug Laymon, Tetra-Tech

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The committee has agreed that the first priority must always be to make recommendations that are in the best interest of the members and near surface geophysical community, as opposed to prioritizing organizational interests. As such, they will initially consider several key aspects of what makes an excellent near-surface organization, and review how these can best be addressed for the furtherance of the overall near surface geophysics community. These aspects include governance, publications, meetings/conferences, membership, student services, professional development, management, and finances. Several possible recommendations to members might result from the committee's assessment, for example: 1) no change from current level of interaction; 2) identification of new joint initiatives between the two organizations; 3) sharing responsibility for existing publications or meetings; 4) greater use of SEG by EEGS for publications or management; 5) formal reorganization of the relationship between EEGS and SEG/NSG, perhaps including some form of "merger". Each of these possible outcomes carries potential benefits and compromises that must be weighed carefully by the committee and by the members of each organization.

The committee has had short meetings at SAGEEP 2011 in Charleston and at the 2011 SEG Annual Meeting in San Antonio and has held several conference calls. A weekend meeting is scheduled for December 3-4 in Denver. We encourage members of both organizations to contact any of the committee members listed above to voice their opinions and offer suggestions to the committee.

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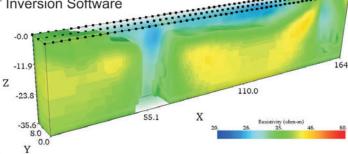


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Session proposals are now being accepted for SAGEEP 2013 (go to www.eegs.org and click on Annual Meeting/SAGEEP 2013). The deadline for all session proposals is Monday, September 10, 2012. Proposals will be reviewed by the Technical Program Committee on a rolling basis. A list of accepted sessions will be maintained at the SAGEEP 2013 web page (www.eegs.org/SAGEEP 2013). The number of sessions is limited so early submission is encouraged.

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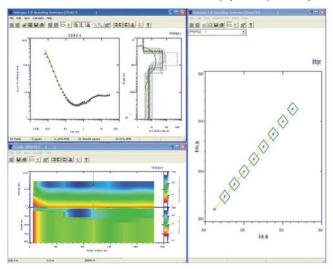


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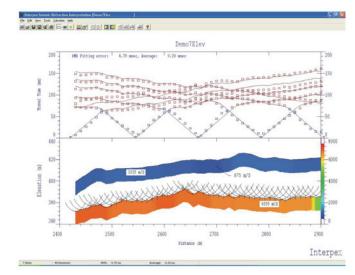
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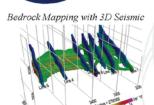
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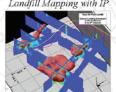
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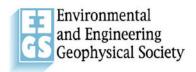
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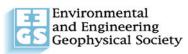
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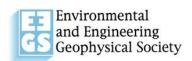
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