





ESS302 Applied Geophysics II

Gravity, Magnetic, Electrical, Electromagnetic and Well Logging

Introduction

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Wk 2	Jan 19: Gravity	Jan 21: Gravity	
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Wk 4	Mar 9: Magnetic	Mar 11: Magnetic	
Wk 5	Mar 16: Electric		
Wk 6	Mar 23: Electric	Mar 25: Electric	
Wk 7	Mar 30: Electric		
Wk 8	Apr 6: Mid-term	Apr 8: CSEM	
Wk 9	Apr 13: CSEM		
Wk 10	Apr 20: CSEM	Apr 22: NSEM	
Wk 11	Apr 27: NSEM		
Wk 12		May 6: NSEM	
Wk 13	May 11: NSEM		
Wk 14	May 18: GPR	May 20: GPR	
Wk 15	May 25: Review		
Wk 16			

Task-guided Learning

- Geophysical methods:
 - Gravity
 - Magnetic
 - Electric
 - Controlled source electromagnetic
 - Natural source electromagnetic
 - Ground penetrating radar
- Lectures
- Hands-on exercises
- Worksheets (Jupyter Notebook)

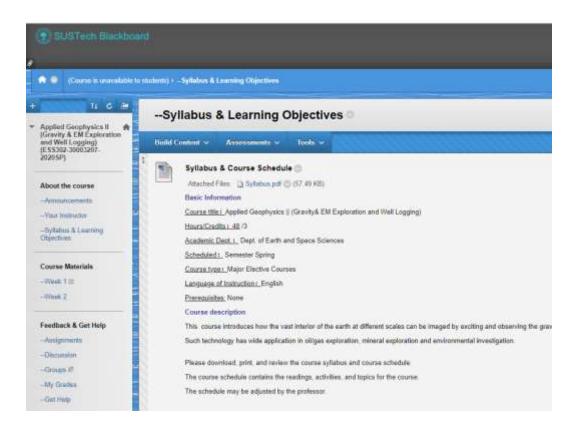
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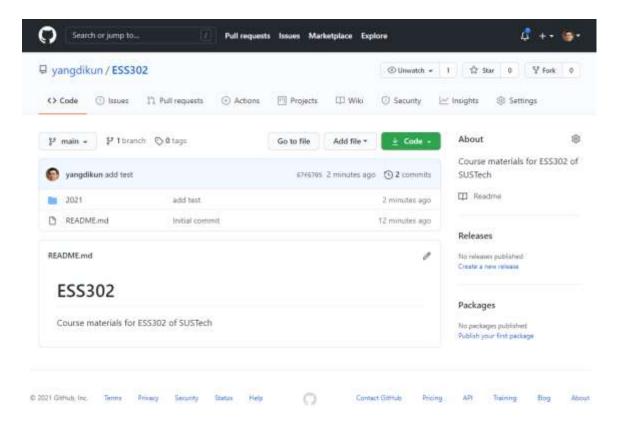
- 10% class attendance, participation and performance
- 20% assignments
- 20% mid-term exam
- 50% final exam

Course Resources

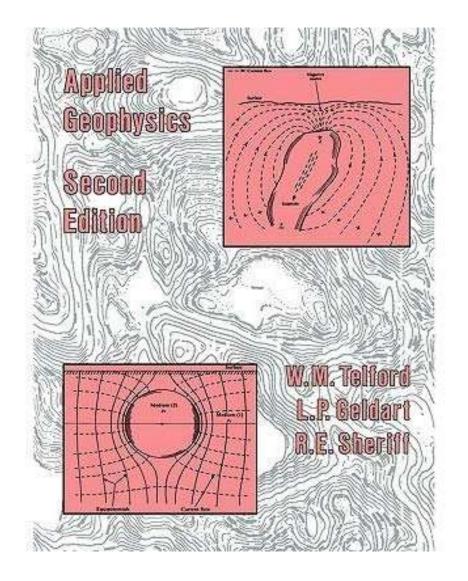
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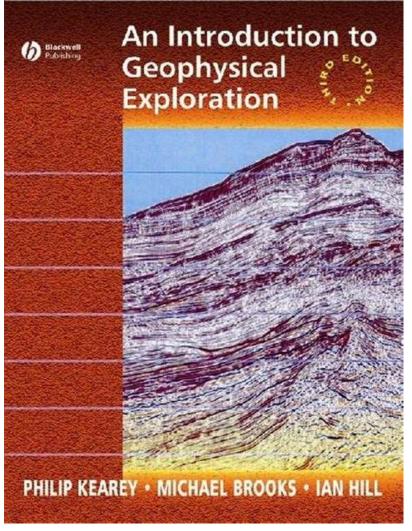


Course Materials https://github.com/yangdikun/ESS302



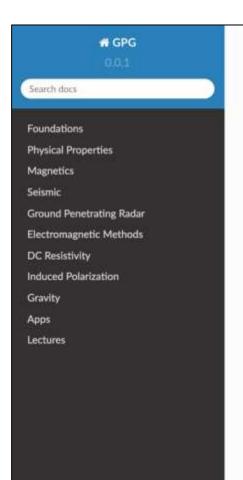
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Geophysics for Practicing Geoscientists

The GPG is a learning resource for applied geophysics and its applications to help solve problems of relevance to society including those in resource exploration, environmental applications, and geotechnical projects. Geophysical surveys and data are sensitive to physical property variations in the subsurface. These variations can be diagnostic for finding resources, tracking contamination or mapping geologic units. Application of a geophysical technique to help answer a geoscientific question requires that targeted physical properties be identified and

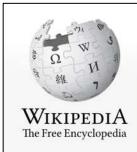


appropriate geophysical surveys, processing and interpretation be carried out. The application of geophysics is consolidated into a Seven Step procedure that serves as a guiding template in every problem. In the GPG we discuss the physical principles for each type of survey and carry through with applications. The focus is on environmental, resource exploration and geotechnical problems but the concepts span a broad range of applications. The GPG is meant to be a resource for geoscientists, including those who are not specialists in geophysics, in particular geological engineers, geologists, and undergraduate geophysicists. The GPG is light on mathematical development but links to deeper levels of analysis are provided.

To ease readers' understanding in applied geophysics and its applocations, materials in GPG are integrated with the Jupyter apps. We strongly promote readers to use both text materials in GPG and apps together. By clicking below **binder** badge will show you list of the apps, and there you can run the app.

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Gal (unit)

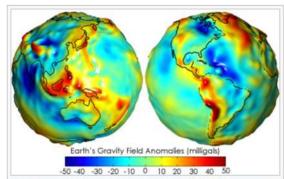
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Not to be confused with gallon.

The **gal** (symbol: Gal), sometimes called **galileo** after Galileo Galilei, is a unit of acceleration used extensively in the science of gravimetry. [2][3][4] The gal is defined as 1 centimeter per second squared (1 cm/s²). The **milligal** (mGal) and **microgal** (µGal) refer respectively to one thousandth and one millionth of a gal.

The gal is not part of the International System of Units (known by its French-language initials "SI"). In 1978 the CIPM decided that it was permissible to use the gal "with the SI until the CIPM considers that [its] use is no longer necessary". [3][5] However, use of the gal is deprecated by ISO 80000-3:2006.

The gal is a derived unit, defined in terms of the centimeter–gram–second (CGS) base unit of length,



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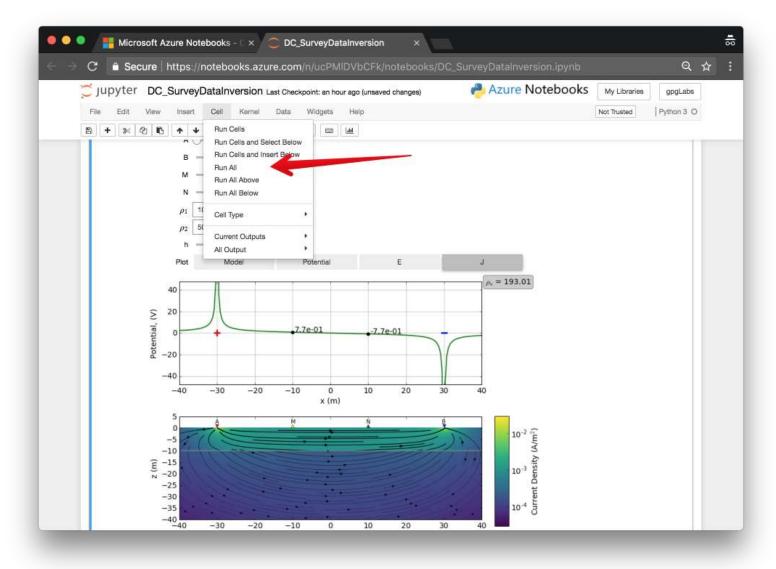
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Earth's gravity measured by NASA GRACE mission, showing deviations from the theoretical gravity of an idealized smooth Earth, the so-called earth ellipsoid. Red shows the areas where gravity is stronger than the smooth, standard value, and blue reveals areas where gravity is weaker. (Animated version.)^[1]

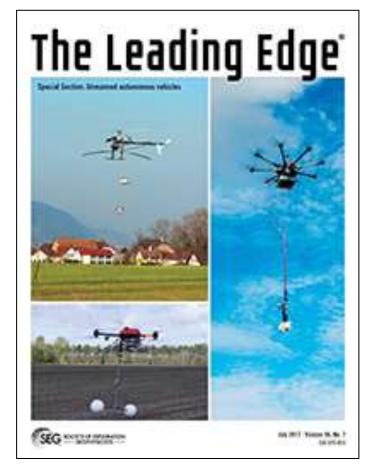
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(Python Jupyter notebooks)

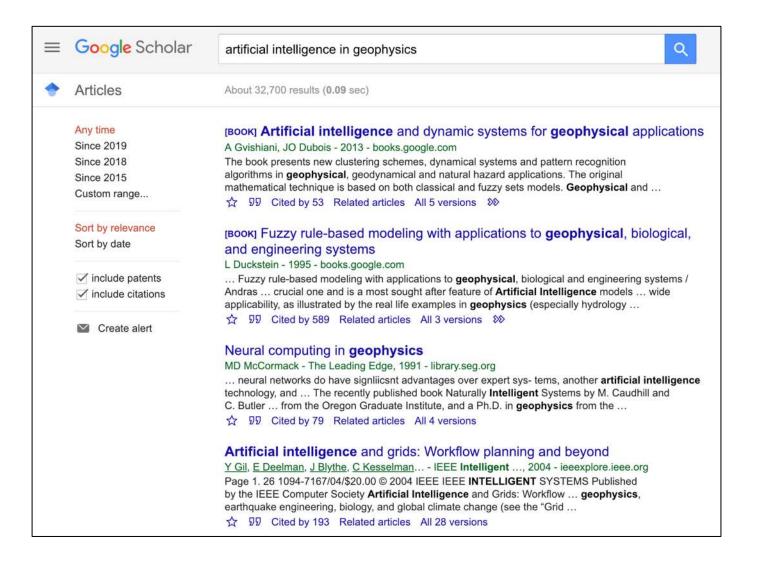
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- Course Policies
 - Instructional language: English
 - Turn in your completed worksheets before the end of last class of each module
 - The top-ranked student before the final goes to CGT2021 in Wuhan





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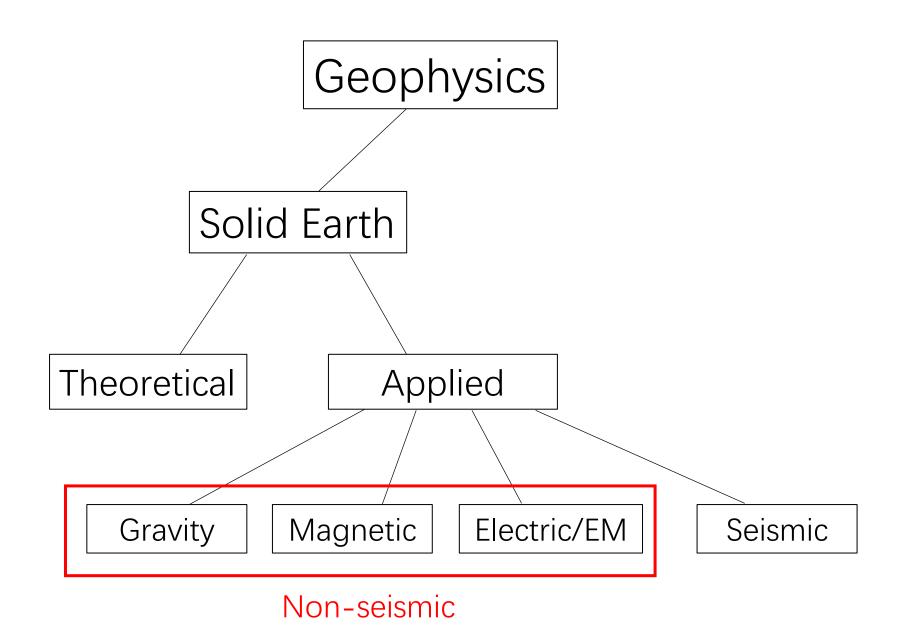
第一号通知

地球物理技术已经拓展至深地、深海和深空,全域探测的趋势已经悄然来临。探索全域智能感知的理论和方法,为人类社会的科学和经济发展持续不断的提供资源,需要广大地球物理工作者集思广益、大力投入。为推动地球物理技术在广度和深度的进一步发展,拟定于2021年5月21日-23日在湖北武汉召开"中国地球物理学会地球物理技术委员会第九届学术会议—全域地球物理探测与智能感知学术研讨会"。会议将邀请多位国内外专家就地球物理技术的发展及应用前景做大会报告,并围绕深地、深海和深空地球物理技术,近地表地下空间地球物理精细探测技术,地球物理传感技术等十二个专题展开学术交流。届时,将举办地球物理仪器设备展览,观摩华中科技大学引力中心。欢迎国内外专家和同行踊跃参加,现就会议相关事宜通知如下:

一、会议主题与专题

会议主题:全域地球物理探测与智能感知 会议专题:

- (1) 深地地球物理技术
- (2) 深海地球物理技术
- (3) 深空地球物理技术
- (4) 近地表地下空间地球物理精细探测技术
- (5) 地球物理传感与智能感知技术
- (6) 地球物理仪器专用芯片开发技术
- (7) 地球物理数据人工智能分析技术
- (8) 地震前兆观测和预警技术
- (9) 岩石物理实验仪器及方法
- (10) 地球物理实验与检测仪器



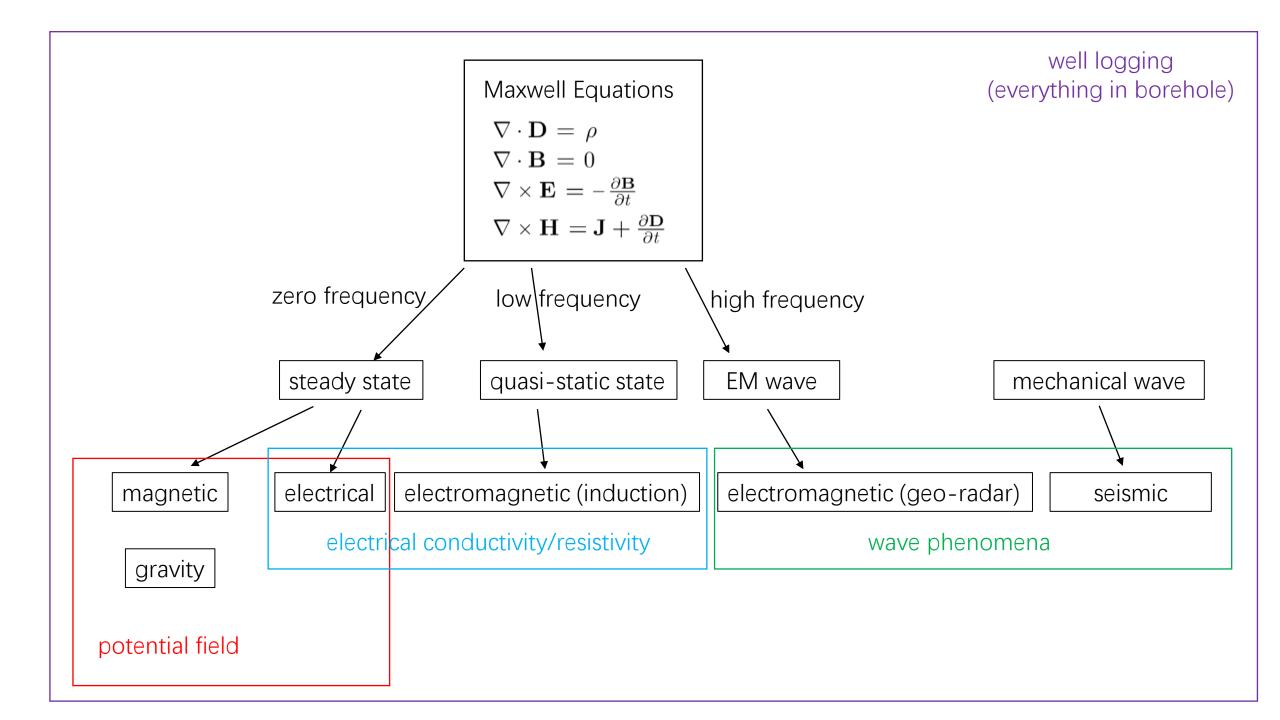
Method	Theoretical	Applied
Gravity	The acceleration of gravity is not constantly 9.8 m/s ² !	Can I make money with it? Yes. Build houses on stable ground with no strong gravity variation. Then you are rich!
Magnetic	There are magnetic stripes on the seafloor!	Can I make money with it? Yes. Dig at where the magnetic field is strong for gold, silver Then you are rich!
Electric	Magnetic storms from the sun induces strong electric currents in the earth!	Can I make money with it? Yes. Drill at where the electric field is strong for groundwater. Then you are rich!
Seismic	The wave from earthquakes travel more slowly in sedimentary basins!	Can I make money with it? Yes. Compare the wave travel times and find the rocks that trap the oil. Then you are rich!











Why You Never Heard About Applied Geophysics?

- You drink water off a bottle, but do not care where the water comes from.
- You play games on your **smartphone**, but do not ask where the lithium in the battery comes from.
- You give a thumbs up for the magnificent Hongkong-Zhuhai-Macau Bridge, but did not see how the route was planned.
- You throw away a bag of trash, but do not know how it can be kept safe in a landfill.
- You have to wear a **mask** everyday, but do not realize it is made of the sticky oil from a remote desert.

How Exactly Does Geophysics Work in Reality?

- 1. Setup: What is the question to be answered?
- 2. Properties: What are the diagnostic physical properties?
- 3. Survey: Choose survey and design data acquisition
- 4. Data: Go to the field and collect data
- **5. Processing**: Processing of field data
- 6. Interpretation: Associate the processed results to the original question
- 7. Synthesis: Has the question been answered? Need to iterate?



City of Guangzhou, Guangdong Province, December 1, 2019



City of Xining, Qinghai Province, January 14, 2020

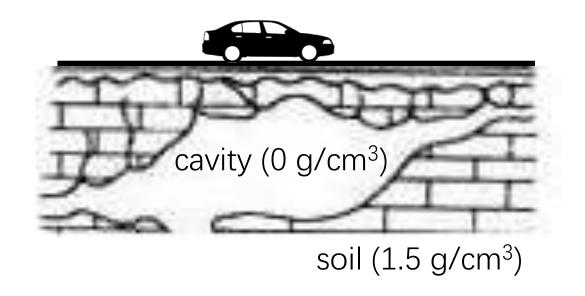
1. Setup: What is the question to be answered?

Detect and forecast the next deadly subsidence



2. Properties: What are the diagnostic physical properties?

What *physically* distinguish an air-filled cavity from regular soil?

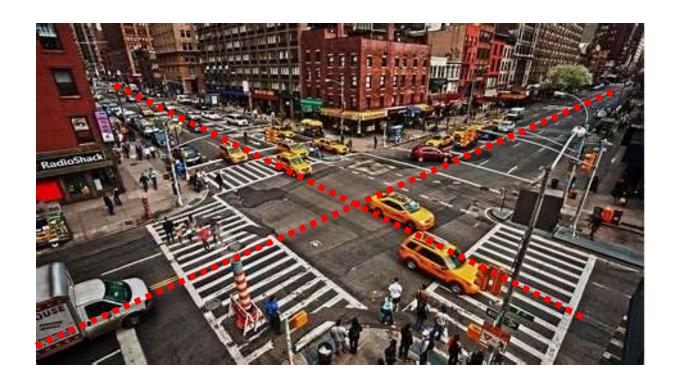


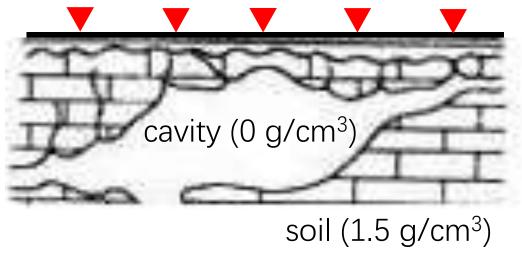
Density contrast:

Smaller gravitational pull above the cavity compared to above regular soil

3. Survey: Choose survey and design data acquisition

Placement of gravity stations: survey lines, spacings, etc.

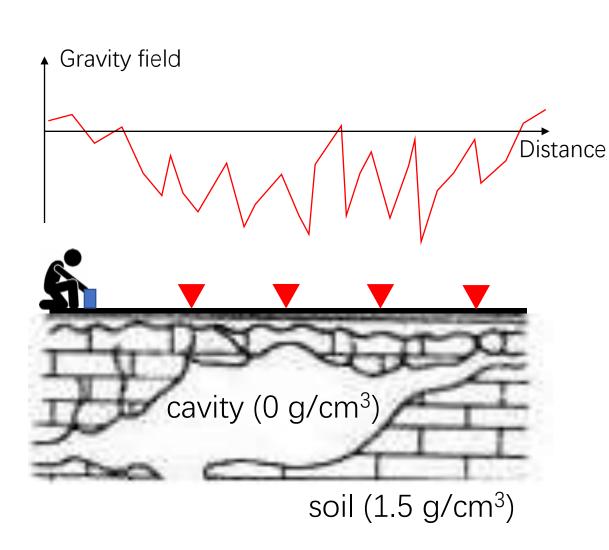




4. Data: Go to the field and collect data Deploy instrument and obtain data



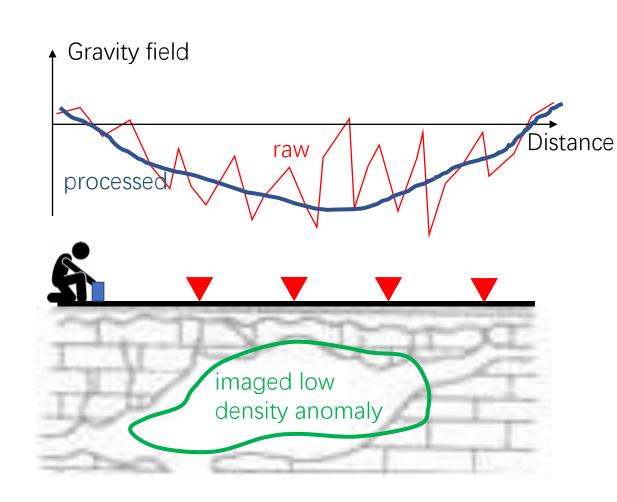




5. Processing: Processing of field data

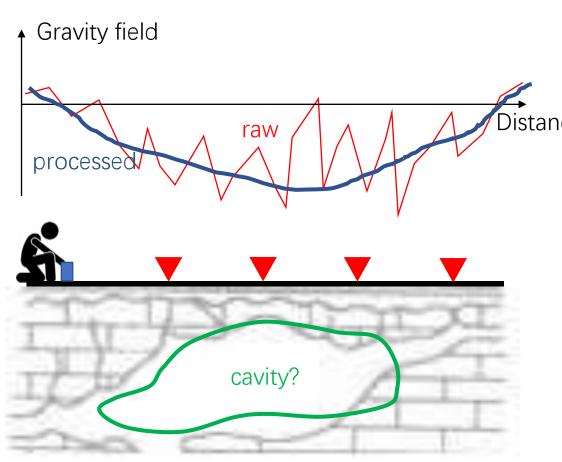
Example:

- Filtering and correction to suppress undesired signals
- Numerical modeling or inversion to reconstruct the subsurface image of density distribution
- Geological modeling based on geophysical evidences
- Assess uncertainties



6. Interpretation: Associate the processed results to the original question





7. Synthesis: Has the question been answered? Need to iterate?



The city is really scared because of the big cavity imaged by the gravity method, but they are hesitant about locking down the street.

- Is the imaged result reliable?
- Is the survey large enough to cover the entire affected area?
- Are there any other methods to confirm the size and extent of the cavity?
- If confirmed, where to drill?

Self-Testing Questions

- Name the four major methods in applied geophysics
- Which step in the seven-step procedures concerns electric resistivity?
- True or false: The interpretation is guaranteed to be exact and correct if the data are properly processed.
- Identify an application of applied geophysics that is not mentioned in this lecture
- An introductory video from SEG https://youtu.be/De5Yl4aSbOM

Feedback

- English ok?
- Pace ok?
- Need more explanation of terms?