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SEGYLib V1.0 – A .NET C# Library used to Read and Write SEGY Files

Abstract

SEGYlib V1.0 is a Microsoft C# class library that can be used within the family of Visual Studio products to read and write SEG-Y files up to and including Revision 1 (Norris and Faichney, 2002). SEG-Y is one of the formats established by the Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG) to standardize the storage of single-channel and multichannel seismic data. The SEG-Y standard is in the process of revision and the library released here should be capable of extension to new revisions without a complete rewrite.

This library can be used interchangeably in the Microsoft suite of Visual Studio Tools, include Visual C#, F#, Visual Basic, and Visual C++ projects. This library can also be loaded as .NET assemblies in Windows-implementations of Matlab and Python. Both the code and the complied libraries are included in this release. It is a work in progress and this release represents a preliminary functionality for reading and writing SEGY files.

The class library is structured to support the serialization of SEGY contents to and from XML. Entire SEGY files, SEG-Y File header and individual SEG-Y traces can be read and written in XML format, facilitating scanning of SEG-Y files for metadata harvesting.

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Introduction

The GSC has been collecting digital seismic data since the early 1990's and has used and continues to use SEG-Y (Norris and Faichney, 2002) as its primary format for storing its digital seismic, sounder and sidescan data. Early efforts in the 1990's at the Geological Survey of Canada Atlantic had developed computer code written in C and C++ languages to read and write SEGY files up to Revision 0 (Barry et al., 1975). Although these routines can still be used, they suffer from a range of issues from a programming perspective. The older code is not object-oriented so the extension, or modification, of the code often involves awkward and substantial rewrites. Older code also relied heavily on direct pointer manipulation for memory allocation and access; it is well known that this approach often results in memory leaks and code overwrites. As program complexity increases, these problems sometimes present significant barriers to progress and stable programming.

Modern coding techniques rely on an object-oriented programming (OOP) approach where these pitfalls can be addressed. In OOP, memory allocation and deallocation are strictly controlled, abstracted from the physical memory in the system. Memory leaks are eliminated as garbage collection techniques actively dispose of unused or discarded memory allocations. With proper modelling, the code becomes much more reusable and extendable. In addition, the use of structured objects leads readily to the concept of serialization and the expression of SEG-Y data in XML format, useful for harvesting metadata for data storage and dissemination.

Current versions of Visual Studio (as of 2015) are migrating away from using C++ as a primary programming language, so it was decided to code this effort in C# using object oriented programming techniques. It was decided to update the core code libraries to handle SEG-Y formatted data up to version 1 (Norris and Faichney, 2002), laying a better-structured foundation for the eventual upgrade to Revision 2.

Implementation

The SEG-Y file structure is well documented and made available through the SEG (Norris and Faichney, 2002). The reader is strongly recommended to read this reference before proceeding. The SEG-Y standard has undergone two revisions (Barry et al., 1975; Norris and Faichney, 2002) in the last 40 years, maintaining essential file and byte-level structure compatibility between revisions. It is anticipated by the author that this compatibility will be maintained through future revisions.

A SEG-Y file comprises a sequence of byte stream blocks, the structure of each strictly defined through the standard. The byte order of the file is generally big endian, however little endian versions do exist.

File Header Section:

Block 1: 3200 byte Textual header - Traditionally IBM EBCDIC –encoded text header information. The SEG-Y standard does not explicitly state EBCDIC, and ASCII is often encountered. This implementation supports both ASCII and EBCDIC.

Block 2: 400 byte Binary File Header as described in the standard.

Block 2+i: Extended Textual Header for i=0, n. SEG-Y Revision 1 supports extended text blocks. This implementation supports from 0 to n extended text blocks. A variable text block designation (-1) is not supported at the time.

Trace Section – sequence repeated for each encoded trace

Block j - 240 byte binary trace header as described in the standard.

Block j+1 - trace data as described in the standard.

A class library was written to allow structured accesses to these file contents and to also permit parts, or the whole, of the SEGY file to be written in XML format to aid metadata harvesting. The following section details the framework of the implementation released in this open file.

Class Hierarchy

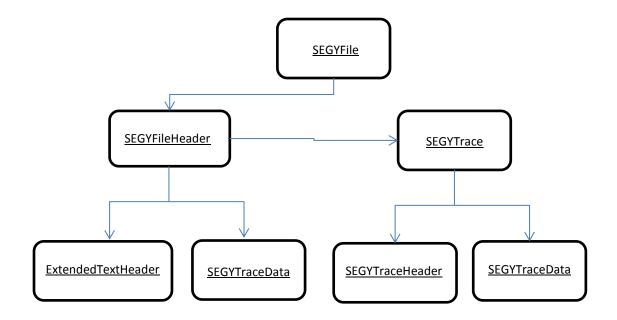


Fig. 1 Class Hierarchy

The SEGY-Y has been structured into a treed class structure that strongly reflects the byte stream blocked structure upon which it was derived. The byte stream blocks from the source file are read in and stored directly in byte arrays within the class structure in their original byte order (big-endian or little endian). The SEGY attributes are accessed through properties that dynamically access these original byte organized block structures. This feature allows a structured pathway for the reinterpretation of SEGY attributes that will allow the user to accommodate local variations in the implementation of the SEG-Y standard by different vendors and organizations.

Release Details

The Visual Studio project tree containing source code and the compiled class library are included in this release as open source for unrestricted general use. The code only relies on one open source external library (URL: http://www.codeproject.com/Articles/492449/Transform-between-IEEE-IBM-or-VAX-floating-point) used to convert to and from IBM floating point format. This portion is subject to the Code Project Open License (CPOL) 1.02 (http://www.codeproject.com/info/cpol10.aspx) which is unrestrictive to any application. This release also contains an XML schema that can be used to validate XML instances of SEGYlib.

The release is in either zip or CD/DVD format and the file structure is as follows:

Name	Path	Remarks
SEGYlib.dll	SEGYLib\Release	.Net 4.5 library for SEGYlib
Converters.dll	SEGYLib\Release	.Net 4.5 library for IBM floating point converter
SEGYlib	SEGYLib	C# source tree for SEGYlib (VS2013)
Converters	SEGYLib	C# source tree for Converters (VS2013)
SEGYLib.docx	SEGYLib	MS Office 2010 version of this document
SEGYLib.pdf	SEGYLib	PDF version of this document
SEGYlib Library Reference	SEGYLib	MS Office 2010 version of the complete library
Manual.docx		reference manual
SEGYlib Library Reference	SEGYLib	PDF version of the complete library reference
Manual.pdf		manual
SEGYlib Library Reference	SEGYLib	Microsoft Compiled HTML Help version of the
Manual.chm		complete library reference manual
SEGYlib.xsd	SEGYLib	XML schema of SEGY output
SEGYLibInstall.zip	SEGYLib	Microsoft Install Package for SEGYLib

Description of Class Library

A description of the main objects of the library follows:

SEGYFile

This class is primary interface to read and write SEGY rev 1 formatted files. The details of the public properties, fields and methods can be found in attached library reference guide.

The **SEGYFile** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

		Name	Description
=	•	SEGYFile	Initializes a new instance of the SEGYFile class

Properties

Name	Description
currentTrace	last trace read from file
FileHeader	access to File Header Class
NumberOfTracesInBuffer	number of traces in Trace list
Traces	List of traces including data and trace headers

	Name	Description
=	AddTrace	add a trace to the end of the Traces list
=	Close	close I/O channels
=	CopyAllTraces	make a deep copy of the Traces List
=	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GoToStartOfTrace	position the stream reader/writer at the start of the n'th trace

=	isSEGY	test to see if input file is a SEGY file
<u></u>	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
≡	MoveFilePointerToStartOfTraces	move file pointer to the end of the file header blocks
≡	Open	open or create a SEGY file returns 0 if unsuccessful; 1 if non zero length file; 2 is empty file
=	ReadAllTraceHeaders	read all trace headers but don't load trace data
=	ReadAllTraces	read all trace headers including trace data
≡	ReadFileHeader	read the file headers
≡	ReadNextTrace	read the next trace in the file
≡	ReadNTraces	read the next n traces in the file
=◊	ReadXML	read an SEGY file in XML format
=◊ S	ReadXMLFileHeader	read an SEGY file header in XML format
=◊ S	ReadXMLTrace	read an SEGY trace in XML format
=	ReindexTracePositions	re-read the file and reindex the trace locations
≡	RemoveAllTraces	delete all trace storage
≡	RemoveTrace	remove trace i from the Traces list
≡	SkipNTracesOnRead	skip ntraces
≡	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object.)
=	Write(String)	write the entire file to disk
≡	Write(SEGYFileHeader)	write the file header to disk
≡	Write(SEGYTrace)	write a trace to disk
=	Write(List(SEGYTrace))	write the list Traces to disk
≡	WriteXML(String)	write the file to XML
=	WriteXML(String, SEGYFileHeader)	write the file header to XML
=	WriteXML(String, SEGYTrace)	write the trace to XML

Fields

	Name	Description
•	isBigEndian	true for big endian file; false little endian

Sample Usage of SEGYFile

Read an entire file

return;

sf.ReadAllTraceHeaders();

}

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
    string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
    sf.Open(inputFileName);
    if( !sf.isSEGY() )
    {
        sf.Close();
        return;
    }
    sf.ReadAllTraces();

Read only trace headers in case the file is excessive is length

SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
    string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
    sf.Open(inputSEGYfile);
    if( !sf.isSEGY() )
    {
        sf.Close();
    }
}
```

Read only trace headers in case the file is excessive is length – use this form if you want to use progress bars

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(inputSEGYfile);
sf.MoveFilePointerToStartOfTraces();
sf.Traces = new List<SEGYlib.SEGYTrace>();
while (sf.ReadNextTrace())
{
    SEGYlib.SEGYTrace tr = sf.currentTrace;
    tr.Data = d;
    tr.TraceData.TraceDataBuffer = null; // dump the trace data
    sf.Traces.Add(tr);
    C++;
    // put progress bar update her
}
sf.Close();
```

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
       inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
       sf.Open(this.openFileDialog1.FileName); // open an existing SEGY file
       if( !sf.isSEGY() )
         sf.Close();
         return;
       }
      SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf2 = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile(); // create a new SEGY file
       sf2.Open(outputFileName);
      sf2.FileHeader = sf.FileHeader.Copy(); // copy the input trace header
      sf2.Write(sf2.FileHeader); // write out the header
     while (sf.ReadNextTrace())
       SEGYlib.SEGYTrace tr = sf.currentTrace;
       SEGYlib.SEGYTrace newTr = tr.Copy();
       newTr.sourcePositionX = newx; // do some operations on the traceheader
       newTr.sourcePositionY = newy;
       if (this.checkBoxCreateMillisecondField.Checked)
         newTr.TraceHeader.lagTimeBMsec = (short) millisecondsCorrectionsToShotTime[c];
         newTr.TraceHeader.timeBasis = (ushort)millisecondsCorrectionsToShotTime[c];
       sf2.Write(newTr);
       }
      sf.Close();
      sf2.Close();
Write out a trace in XML format
      SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
      inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
       sf.Open(this.openFileDialog1.FileName); // open an existing SEGY file
       if(!sf.isSEGY())
         sf.Close();
         return;
      }
      sf.ReadNextTrace());
     sf.WriteXML("text.xml", sf.currentTrace);
      sf.Close();
```

SEGYFileHeader Class

Class used for storing and retrieving data stored in the SEGY file Header

The **SEGYFileHeader** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

	Name	Description
=	SEGYFileHeader	constructor

Properties

Name	Description
amplitudeRecoveryMethod	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
BinaryFileHeader	access to byte block of Binary File header
binaryGainRecovered	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
correlatedDataTraces	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
dataSampleFormatCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
ensembleFold	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
ExtendedTextHeader	lead 3200 byte tape header plus any other extended blocks
fixedLengthTraceFlag	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
impulseSignalPolarity	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
jobIdentificationNumberz	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
lengthOfFileHeader	byte length of file header including extended tape header and binary file header
lineNumber	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
measurementSystem	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
numberOfAuxilaryTracesPerEnsemble	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard

number Of Data Traces Per Ensemble	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
numberOfExtendedTextualFileHeaderRecordsFollowing	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
numberOfSamplesPerDataTrace	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
number Of Samples Per Data Trace For Original Field Recording	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
reelNumber	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sampleIntervalInMicroseconds	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sampleIntervalInMicrosecondsInOriginalFieldRecording	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
segyFormatRevisionNumber	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sweepCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sweepFrequencyEnd	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sweepFrequencyStart	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sweepLength	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sweepTraceTaperLengthAtEnd	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
sweepTraceTaperLengthAtStart	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
taperType	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
traceNumberSweepChannel	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
traceSortingCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
verticalSumCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
vibratoryPolarityCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard

Methods

	Name	Description
=	Сору	make a deep copy of the Header
≡	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
ē	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GetFileHeaderText	get a string for the extended tape header
=	GetFileHeaderTextByLine	get the Text header by 80 character lines
=	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object.)
=	isBigEndian	true for big endian and false for little endian
=	isFileHeaderASCII	is the file header encoded with ASCII or EBCDIC
**	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
=	ReadFileHeader	read the file header from disk
=	SetFileHeader	set the Text Header by 80 character line
≡	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object.)
=	WriteFileHeader	write the file header to disk

Fields

Name		Name	Description	
isSEGYFileHeaderAscii		isSEGYFileHeaderAscii	true if Text Header is ASCII; false if EBCDIC	
positionOfStartOfDataTraces file position of start of trace data		file position of start of trace data		

Sample Usage of SEGYFileHeader

Examine parts of the file header

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(inputSEGYfile);
if(!sf.isSEGY() )
{
    sf.Close();
    return;
}
string head = sf.FileHeader.GetFileHeaderText(0); // get the first header data int code = sf.FileHeader.dataSampleFormatCode; //read header value
```

SEGYTrace Class

SEGYTrace is used to access and set SEGY rev 1 trace data

Properties

Name	Description	
codedTime	trace time in DDDHHHMMSSmmm	
Data	signal amplitude	
groupPositionXGSCDIG	GSCA implementation of group position	
groupPositionYGSCDIG	GSCA implementation of group position	
isBigEndian	true if big endian	
isLatLon	is it a lat/lon position or projected	
positionOfTraceInFile	position in bytes	
sourcePositionX	source position X corrected for scaling factors	
sourcePositionY	source position Y corrected for scaling factors	
timeTracedRecorded	DateTime of trace instance	
totalLengthOfTraceData	total number of bytes of trace data in including trace header	
TraceData	access to underlying Trace Data Class	
TraceHeader	access to underlying Trace Header Class	

	Name	Description	
=	Сору	make a deep copy of a SEGY Trace	
≡	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)	
ē	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object.)	
∉	FixMsecField	transcribe msec field in old GSC format the old GSC formatted files used the Time Basis Field 166-167 for storing msec field should use lag b or lag A field this copies 166-167 to 106-107	
=	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object.)	
≡	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object.)	
=	Intialize	initilize trace structure	
**	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)	
=	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object.)	
=	Write	write a trace to a BinaryWriter stream	

SEGYTraceData Class

SEGYTraceData allows access to the contents of the binary trace data

The **SEGYTraceData** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

	Name	Description	
=	SEGYTraceData	SEGYTraceData allows access to the contents of the binary trace data	

Properties

	Name	Description
	Data	a double precision view of the trace data use this to read and change the contents of the trace data buffer
DataCopy Use this if you want to change the data values as SEGYTraceData.Data alverturns values in the trace data buffer		Use this if you want to change the data values as SEGYTraceData.Data always returns values in the trace data buffer
	TraceDataBuffer	access to byte[] trace data block

	Name	Description	
≡	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)	
<u></u>	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object.)	
≡	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object.)	
=0	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object.)	
=�	Initialize	Initialize the class	
@	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)	
=0	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object.)	

SEGYTraceHeader Class

The **SEGYTraceHeader** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

Name Description		Description	
-	•	SEGYTraceHeader	SEGYTraceHeader is used to access and change contents of the binary trace
			header data block

Properties

Name	Description
aliasFilterSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
aliasFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
 bigEndian	true if big endian
coordinateUnits	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
correlated	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
crossLineNumber3D	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
dataUse	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
datumElevationAtReceiverGroup	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
datumElevationAtSource	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
dayOfYear	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
delayRecordingTimeMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
deviceTraceIdentifier	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
distanceFromCenterOfSourcePointToCenterOfGroup	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
energySourcePointNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
ensembleNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

gainTypeOfFieldInstruments	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
gapSize	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
geophoneGroupNumberofLastTraceWithinOriginalFieldRecord	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
geophoneGroupNumberOfRollSwitchPositionOne	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
geophone Group Number of Trace Number One Within Original Field Record	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
groupCoordinateX	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
groupCoordinateY	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
groupStaticCorrectionMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
highCutFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
highCutSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
hourOfDay	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
inLineNumber3D	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
instrumentEarlyOrIntialGainDB	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
instrumentGainConstantDB	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
lagTimeAMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
lagTimeBMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
lowCutFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
lowCutSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
minuteOfHour	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
muteTimeEndTimeMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

muteTimeStartTimeMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
notchFilterSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
notchFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
number Of Horizon at ally Summed Traces Yielding This Trace	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
numberOfSamplesInTrace	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
number Of Vertically Summed Traces Yielding This Trace	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
originalFieldRecordNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
overTravel	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
receiverGroupElevation	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sampleIntervalUsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
scalarAppliedToShotPointNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
scalar For All Elevations And Depths	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
scalarToBeAppliedToAllCoordinates	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
scalarUsedToScaleTraceHeaderMSecTimes	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
secondOfMinute	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
shotpointNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
souceStaticCorrectionMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceCoordinateX	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceCoordinateY	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceDepthBelowSurface	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

sourceEnergyDirectionExponent	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceEnergyDirectionMantissa	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceMeasurementExponent	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceMeasurementMantissa	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceMeasurementUnit	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sourceType	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
subweatheringVelocity	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
surfaceElevationAtSource	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sweepFrequencyAtEnd	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sweepFrequencyAtStart	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sweepLengthInMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sweepTaperLenghtAtEndMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sweepTaperLengthAtStartMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
sweepType	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
taperType	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
timeBasis	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
totalStaticMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
TraceHeaderBuffer	SEGYTraceHeader storage block
traceIdentificationCode	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
traceNumberWithinEnsemble	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

traceNumberWithinOriginalFieldRecord	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
traceSequenceNumberWithinFile	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
traceSequenceNumberWithinLine	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
traceValueMeasurementUnit	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
traceWeightingFactor	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
transductionConstantExponent	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
transductionConstantMantissa	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
transductionUnits	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
upholeTimeAtGroupMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
upholeTimeAtSourceMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
waterDepthAtGroup	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
waterDepthAtSource	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
weatheringVelocity	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
xCoordinateOfEnsemble	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
yCoordinateOfEnsemble	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
yearDataRecorded	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

	Name	Description
=	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
9	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object.)

=	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object.)
=	Initialize	initialize object
<u></u>	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
=	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object.)

SEGYUtilities Class

SEGYUtilities for use in reading and writing SEGY files

The **SEGYUtilities** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

		Name	Description
=	•	SEGYUtilities	Initializes a new instance of the SEGYUtilities class

	Name	Description
≡© S	Bytes2Int	convert bytes to long int
= ◊	ConvertAsciiToEbcdic	convert an ASCII byte array to an EBCDIC byte array
= ◊	ConvertEbcdicToAscii	convert an EBCDIC byte array to an ASCII byte array
= ◊ S	convertPositionToint	convert a position to a SEGY trace header integer
=◊	convertToPosition	convert a SEGY trace header positional value to position
= ◊	decimalDegreesToDMS	convert decimal degrees to degrees-minutes-seconds
= ◊	degreesToSecondsOfArc	convert decimal degrees to seconds of arc
= ◊	dmsToDecimalDegrees	convert degrees-minutes-seconds to decimal degrees
≟	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
₹	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object.)
=	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object.)
=♦	Int2Bytes	convert a long int to bytes
<u>@</u>	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object. (Inherited from Object.)
≡© S	secondsOfArctoDegrees	convert seconds of arc to decimal degrees
=	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object.)

Extending Class for Local Variants to SEGY Standard

In the past, some organizations have used fields in the binary file header and/or the binary trace headers to store information not conforming to the published SEGY standard. This class structure can be easily amended by adding a property to the relevant class that gets and sets data from the stored byte array blocks.

For example, to retrieve and set source coordinate X positions from the header, the following property is written in the SEGYTraceHeader class:

```
/// <summary>
/// refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
/// </summary>
public int sourceCoordinateX
{
    get
    {
        // 72 is the byte location in the header, 4 is the wordlength of an int
        return (int)SEGYUtilities.Bytes2Int(this.iTraceHeaderBuffer, 72, 4, true, isBigEndian);
    }
    set
    {
        SEGYUtilities.Int2Bytes((long)value, true, this.iTraceHeaderBuffer, 72, 4, isBigEndian);
    }
}
```

which uses the SEGYUtilities method, Bytes2Int and Int2Bytes, to retrieve and store this information in the trace header byte array block.

The GSC had stored non-conformant positional information in the trace header in the group coordinate X location in the trace header byte array block. This non-conformant property is retrieved by adding the following to the SEGYTrace class:

```
/// <summary>
/// GSCA implemententation of group position
/// </summary>
public double groupPositionXGSCDIG
{
    get
    {
        return SEGYUtilities.convertToPosition(this.iSEGYTraceHeader.groupCoordinateX, 3, -1e6);
    }
    set
    {
        }
}
```

An updated schema can be regenerated using the Microsoft's XML Schema Definition Tool, XSD.exe

Another way of implementing local variants to the SEGY standard, without changing the original source code and using the compiled class library, is made possible by implementing a derived class of the top level object, SEGYFile.

Following the above example,

```
public class derivedSEGY : SEGYFile
{
    /// <summary>
    /// GSCA implemententation of group position
    /// </summary>
    public double groupPositionXGSCDIG
    {
        get
            {
             return SEGYUtilities.convertToPosition(this.currentTrace.TraceHeader.groupCoordinateX, 3, -1e6);
        }
        set
        {
        }
        }
     }
}
```

So in the body of the new code

```
sf2 = new derivedSEGY();
sf2.Open(this.openFileDialog1.FileName);
sf2.ReadNextTrace();
double X= sf2.groupPositionXGSCDIG;
```

This approach has the advantage of clearly documenting the institution's variants to the published SEGY standard.

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Appendix 1 - XML Schema for SEGYlib

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