Error Model Maintenance Group Update

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Speaker Bio

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 - 12 years in wellbore survey
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 - Specialised in survey management, algorithms, error modeling,





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Agenda

- XCL Terms
- Revision of Misalignment Terms & SAG
- WITSML Data Transfer
- BGGM Uncertainty Estimates
- Shell Model Standardisation
- Correlation Between Geomagnetic Reference Terms

XCL Models

• Jerry Codling updated us on proposed formulae for XCL

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$$XCL_h \quad \sigma_{xclh}(D-D_{k-1})max(abs(I_k-I_{k-1}), T(D-D_{k-1}))$$

- $XCL_a \quad \sigma_{xcll}(D D_{k-1}) \max(abs(A_k A_{k-1}), T(D D_{k-1})/sin I_k)$
- Based on tangential rather than balanced tangential approx.
- Document produced
- Landmark and HPT have validated. Others to check.
- Details to be checked
 - Irregular survey spacing
 - Very long intervals
 - High frequency continuous data
- Provisionally accepted for next release of model



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Revision of Misalignments

- Belief that current misalignments may be overly conservative
- Any changes to be evidence based
- Jerry Codling has being working on this and proposed:
- XYM3/4 term magnitudes increase to 0.3 deg and become random
- Seemed to fit available data better.
- Sign of a low inclination sag
- Misalignment and sag value a package of terms together



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Misalignments and SAG

- Also tentatively accepted
- Want to compare to previous proposal from Pathcontrol
- Working group to compare the two
- Decide on the better solution
- Committee will accept the decision of this working group

Bottom Hole Numbers – ISCWSA#2

	MWD – ISCWSA Rev 4			MWD	NEW – :	L00'	MWD NEW – 300'			
				S	TATIONS		STATIONS			
TERM	HIGH	LAT	AH	HIGH30	LAT30	AH30	HIGH100	LAT100	AH100	
XYM3	6.37	10.37	9.06	2.20	2.85	2.99	3.67	4.72	4.94	
XYM4	5.11	12.84	8.21	1.62	3.53	2.61	2.71	5.86	4.30	
SAG'	14.13	0.77	5.95	16.94	0.42	10.82	16.97	0.42	10.82	
XCLY				2.86	2.04	2.55	14.18	9.87	12.58	
XCLX				1.83	4.52	3.17	8.62	22.16	14.93	
TOTAL	19.12	31.67	16.52	20.12	27.84	15.41	26.15	37.17	25.11	



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Update to Global Mag Sources

- Last meeting I presented a method to deal with non-integer correlations by adding new error sources.
- That work based on an early version of work from Stefan Maus.
- Some changes made to correlation of crustal omission errors.
- Required a number of additional sources to be added.
- For example existing DECG term replaced by 4 terms in most models
- Similar for DBH, MDI, MFI
- Existing random terms retained
- Total of possible 28 terms (compared with 8 currently)



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DECG

		Pro		IGRF	Standard	High Def		
Description	Code	р	WtFn	WMM	Models	Models	IFR1	IFR2
MWD: Declination - Global	DECG	G	AZ	0.43	0.36	0.3	0.15	0.15
MWD: Declination - Random	DECR	R	AZ	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.05

MWD: Declination Uncorrelated								
Errors	DEC-0	W	AZ	0.29	0.16	0.16	0.11	0.11
MWD: Declination Crustal								
Commission HD Models		G	AZ			0.13		
MWD: Declination Crustal								
Commission IFR Models	DEC-CI	G	AZ				0.09	0.09
MWD: Declination Crustal								
Omission Standard Models	DEC-03	G	AZ	0.24	0.24			
MWD: Declination Crustal								
Omission HD Models	DEC-OR	G	AZ	0.20	0.20	0.20		
MWD: Declination Crustal								
Omission IFR Models	DEC-OI	G	AZ	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
MWD: Declination - Random	DECR	R	AZ	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.05

Status

- Now fully implemented in one software
- With ISCWSA A-C Rule
- All the expected functionality is demonstrated
- Sf increases for parallel wells
- Sf decreases for opposing wells.
- Needs documentation, diagnostics and other implementation to validate.





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Steps for Releasing a New Revision

- Rev4 was released 4 years ago
- Improved documentation since then
 - Create release note identifying changes
 - Update error model definition document
 - Diagnostic files
 - Update spreadsheet defining 8 ISCWSA MWD models
 - Update ISCWSA example calculation spreadsheets
- Place on website and inform all members of release
- Liaise with OWSG\Energistics

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WITSML

- Energistics release schedule, WITSML 2.1:
 - April: ILAB and SIG meeting
 - September: ILAB and final testing
 - Target release Q4 2019
 - Relies on testing
 - Resources on the horizon but commitment to be made
- Next steps
 - Documentation to be reviewed
 - Commitments made
 - Testing of read/import

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Conversion to DIF

1 sigma CI equiv. RMS	Dec (°)	lnc (°)	F (nT)
L = 1440/28 km*	0.22	0.15	91

De C I Jr equiv
Image: C I Jr equiv<

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+AX MFIG

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* latitude weighted

Fit of ISCWSA model to D uncertainty

2-parameter model

$$Dec = \sqrt{DECG^2 + \frac{DBHG^2}{H^2}}$$

Using latest D uncertainty estimates solve (least-squares) for DECG and DBHG. Best fit:

DECG = 0.07°, DBHG = 5055 ° nT

Fit not ideal as under-estimating in satellite-only area, over-estimating in N auroral zone and S. Africa

ISCWSA Rev 4 values (SPE 67616, Williamson, 2000) are: DECG⁷ 0.36°, DBHG = 5000 ° nT





Any Other Business

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