

Making Seismic Data Easier To Handle

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20 Years Old

Pool c++ objects

Data Management Products

Transcription

Format QC

Database, TraceStore, Data Management Systems

Workstation Loading Preparation

Encapsulation and Unencapsulation

Disk Crawling

QC and Consultancy Services

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SEG Technical Standards Committee

SEGY1.0

SEGD2.2

SEGD₃

SEGY₂ (under review)

EZ_Seismic Data

- Making sure newly received seismic data is ready for processing and interpretation - without the need to convert it into a different format
 - Easier methods to check data quality and completeness
 - Developing a natural data flow for how you handle seismic data
 - Benefits of the recently ratified SEG-D 3.0 field tape standard
 - Benefits of the latest draft of SEG-Y2 standard for storing geophysical data

Shopping



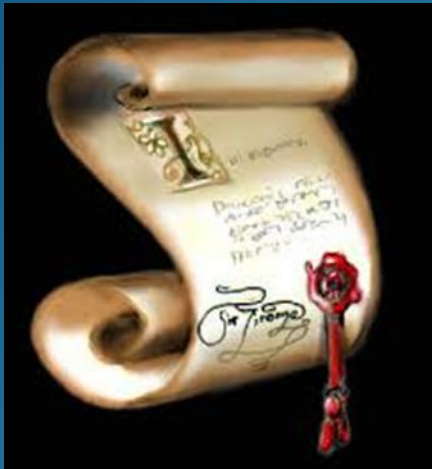
A VERY EXPENSIVE SHOP



A VERY EXPENSIVE ITEM FROM A CONTRACT



What is it?



It's in the contract

Seismic Field Data Management



What is in the packages



Formats

DFS III

In February 1968 Texas Instruments started to advertise the DFS III. If the original DFS with 9000 amplifiers was the first generation Digital Field System, and the DFS-10000 was the second generation Digital Field System, then the new system was the third generation Digital Field System or DFS III. A dynamic range of 174 dB was optimistically claimed, with dynamic resolution of 84 dB. It was the first TI seismic system to use integrated analog and digital circuits ("chips") on a large scale, and was still in widespread use 10 years later.

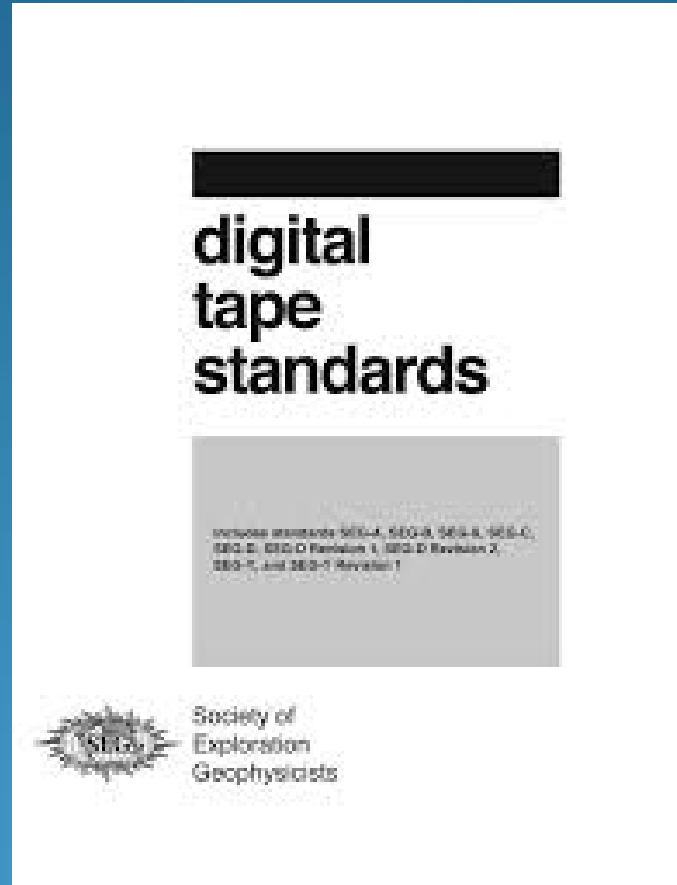
DFS IV

The DFS IV was announced in late 1970, with the big innovation of instantaneous floating point gain: the gain was changed for each sample so that the amplitude of the signal input to the converter was nearly at full scale.

DFS V

In August 1975 Texas Instruments started advertising the DFS V. It was a dramatically more compact and lower power system, offering up to 120 channels in only four "man portable" modules. By the time the seismic industry collapsed at the end of 1981, TI had delivered over 1000 systems, which will probably remain an all time record for number manufactured of any one design of seismic recording system.

Standards



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Step 1 - Contracts

Standard Clauses in the Contract +
e.g. Transcription

SEG format AND REVISION NUMBER

Level of QC

Recovery Methods

Header Data Population

Meta-Data Collection and Provision

Listings

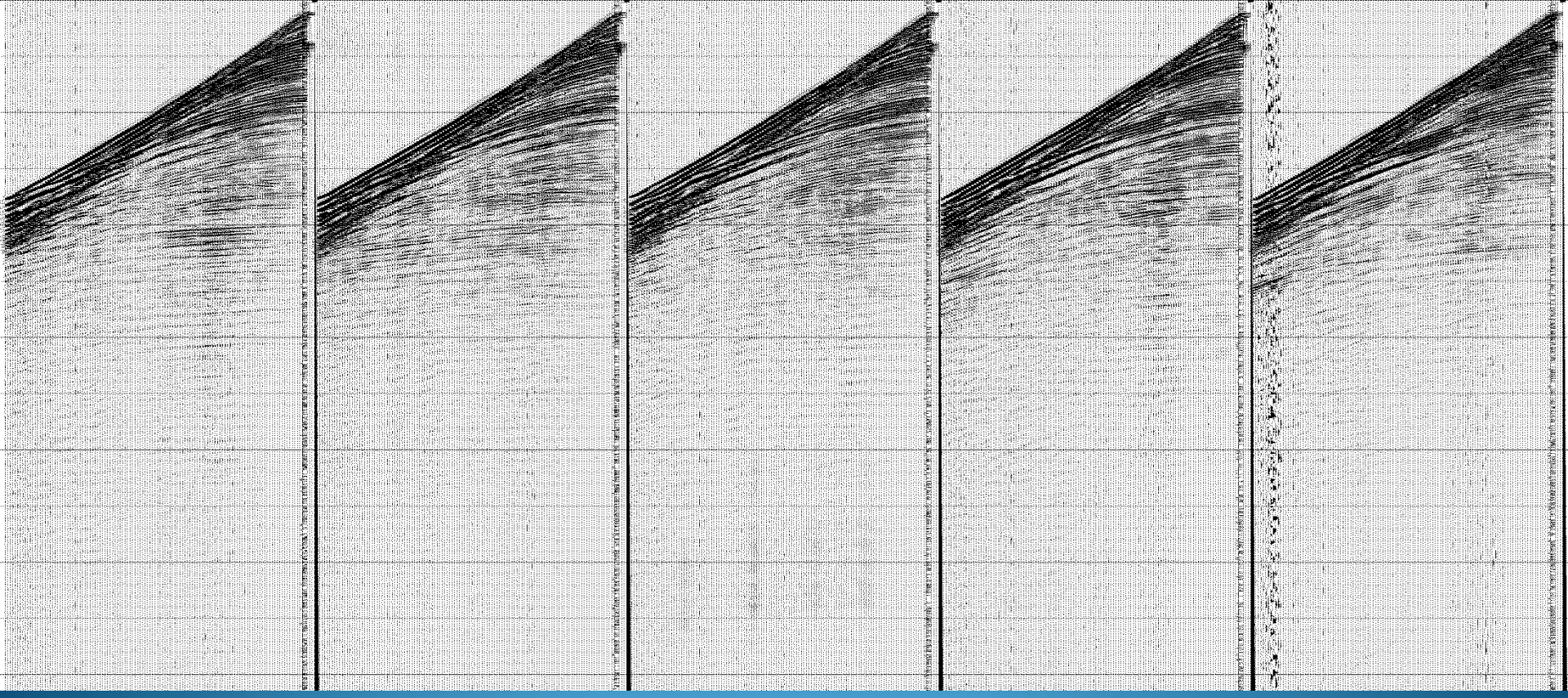
Plots

Step 2 – QA Reports

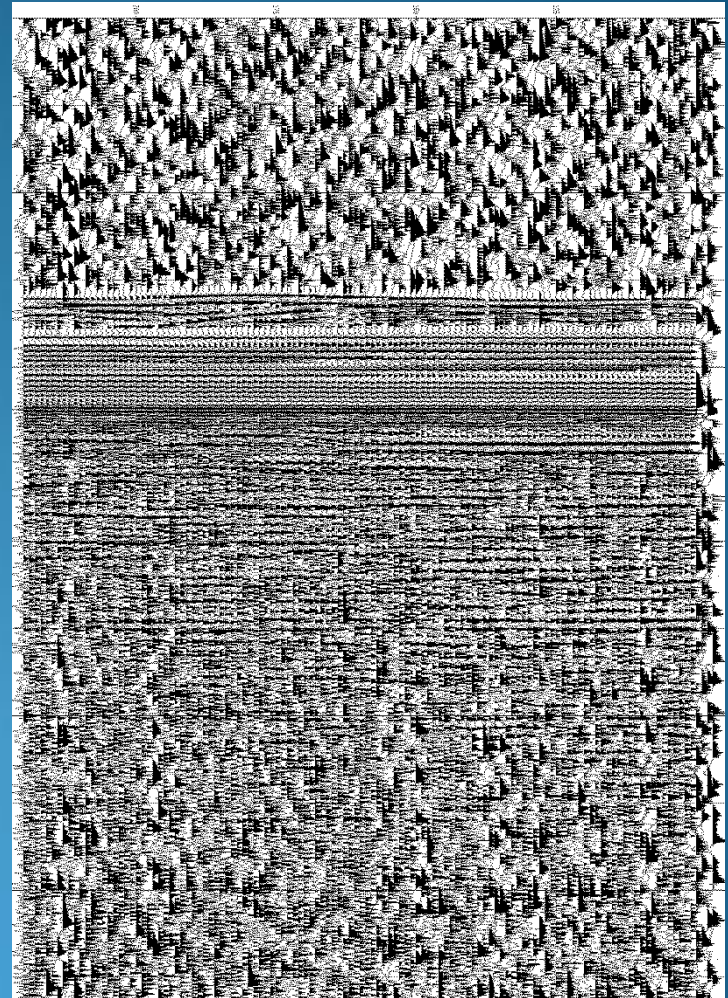
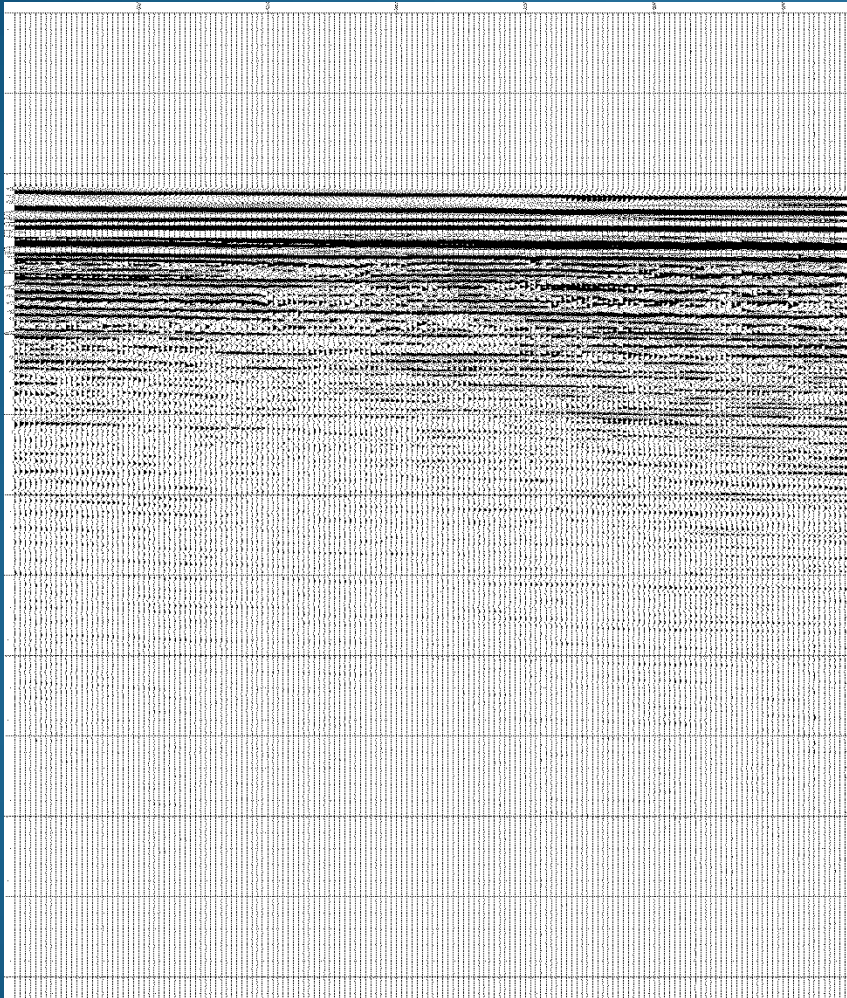
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*TAPE=13702.tap  
FORMAT=SEGD_DMXX  
BYTES=173046340  
LINEID=M92-4560  
RECLLEN=5632  
DT=2  
DATATYPE=FIELD  
NSEIS=960  
NAUX=27  
ENSEMB=FFID  
RANGE=9995,9998  
RANGE=101,127
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*TAPE=N85-24.sgy  
TAPEFILE=1  
FORMAT=SEGY  
BYTES=16482256  
LINEID=N85-24  
RECLLEN=6064  
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DATATYPE=POSTSTACK  
FOLD=1  
UNITS=METRES  
ENSEMB=cdp  
RANGE=1001,3614
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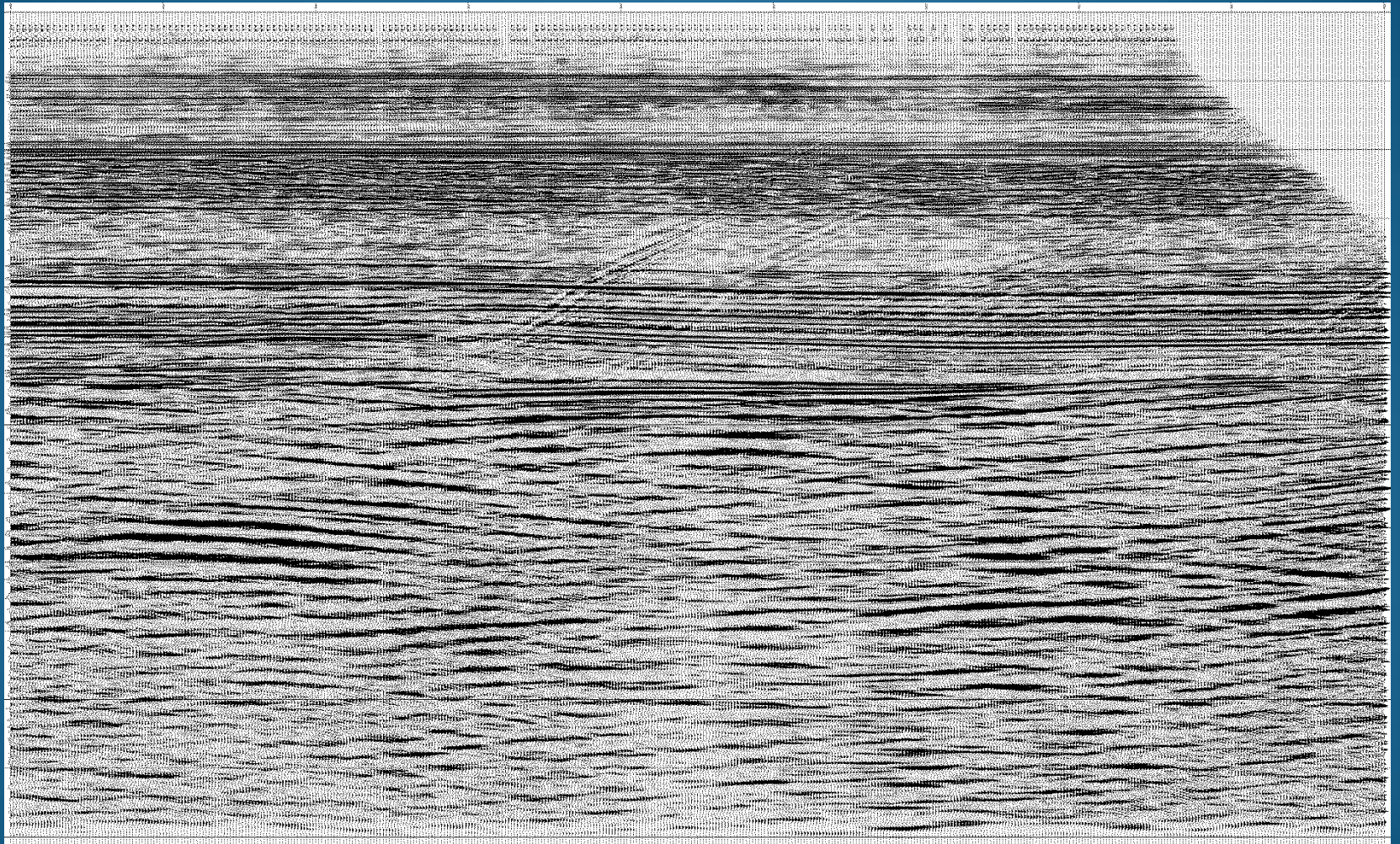
Step 3 – QC Visuals - field



Step 3 – QC Visuals - NTG



Step 3 – QC Post-Stack



Step 4 – Random Checks

3592 and LTO – less than 8 seconds



Veri Tape®

File Edit Action Help

Overview Cartridges Basic Info. Cart. Info. **Drives**

Drive Files read from D:\doc\MP\Veri Tape\SampleHist

Manufacturer	Min	Max	Avg	SD	HP	HP	HP	HP	HP
Serial Number					HU1061012G	HU106103JL	HU106103L2	HU106103LG	HU1
Drive Score	46.00	100.00	90.40	10.23	94	95	87	99	93
Records	1	167	32.4043	34.7573	19	24	12	21	12
Total Data Read	0	218 GB	20.8 GB	50.5 GB	20.9 GB	1.27 GB	342 MB	836 MB	336
Total Data Written	0	5.11 TB	962 GB	1.01 TB	1.26 TB	2.24 TB	963 GB	35 GB	347
Total Write Retries	0	3.95 / GB	305 / TB	665 / TB	0	16 (7.16 / TB)	1 (1.04 / TB)	0	0
Total Read Retries	0	1.24 / MB	39.2 / GB	183 / GB	0	0	0	0	0
Total Servo Errors	0	4.21 / GB	526 / TB	865 / TB	58 (45.9 / TB)	27 (12.1 / TB)	532 (552 / TB)	20 (572 / TB)	175
Total Fatal Write Errors	0	1.5 / TB	103 / PB	315 / PB	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fatal Read Errors	0	1.39 / GB	51.1 / TB	225 / TB	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fatal Servo Errors	0	8.6 / TB	411 / PB	1.42 / TB	0	0	0	0	0

Found LTO CM Reader version 6.7

SEG Y

C01 CLIENT : G.S.I. NON-EXCLUSIVE SURVEY AREA : NORTH SEA NETHERLANDS PHASE II
C02 LINE : N85-52 SHOTPOINTS : 1 - 3038
C03 DATA SHOT BY - G.S.I. P.E. HAGGERTY DATE: MAR/APR 1985
C04 RECORDING INSTRUMENTS - DFS V
C05 RECORDING FILTERS - HIGH FILTER AND SLOPE 128 HZ 72 DB/OCT
C06 LOW FILTER AND SLOPE 5.3 HZ 18 DB/OCT
C07 RECORDING POLARITY - A POSITIVE PRESSURE AT THE GEOPHONE PRODUCES A
C08 NEGATIVE NUMBER ON TAPE
C09 DIGITAL TAPE FORMAT - SEG B 6250 BPI
C10 RECORD LENGTH/SAMPLE RATE- 6.0 SECONDS AT 2 MILLISECOND SAMPLE RATE
C11 ENERGY SOURCE / DEPTH - 4250 CU.IN. AIRGUN ARRAY AT 20000 PSI; 6 M AVERAGE
C12 SHOTPOINT INTERVAL - 25 M; 1 POP/SHOTPOINT; TIMING DELAY 51.2MSEC
C13 CABLE LENGTH / DEPTH - 3000 M; 120GRPS; 27 GEOPHONES/GROUP; 8 M AVERAGE
C14 COVERAGE - 60 FOLD, 120 TRACE
C15 NAVIGATION SYSTEM - PRIMARY: PULSE 8 SECONDARY: SATNAV
C16 POLARITY CONVENTION - WAS MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT PROCESSING AND DISPLAY
C17 PROCESSING RECORD LENGTH - 6.0 SECS, 2 MSEC RESAMPLED TO 4 MSEC MIN PHASE
C18 STATIC CORRECTIONS - SHOT AND STREAMER 9.5 MSEC;TIMING DELAY 51.2 MSEC
C19 TRUE AMPLITUDE RECOVERY - 5 DB PER SECOND FROM 0 TO 4.0 SECONDS
C20 SPHERICAL DIVERGENCE CORRECTION APPLIED
C21 PRE DECONVOLUTION MUTE - RAMP LENGTH TR. 120 - 100 MSEC START 50 MSEC
C22 TR. 1 - 100 MSEC START 2400 MSEC
C23 VELOCITY FILTERING - DIPS +14/-7 MSEC/TR FULL COSINE TAPER APPLIED
C24 DESIGNATURE - OFFSET DEPENDENT MARINE WAVELET. V5; FMIN= 5HZ,
C25 FMAX=125HZ, HCSLOPE= 72DB/OCT, LCSLOPE=18DB/OCT
C26 VELOCITY ANALYSIS - USING 9 DEPTH POINT VELSCAN ANAL. 1 EVERY 2.0 KM
C27 DEMULTIPLE APPLIED - VELNP: 120000 M/SEC
C28 EQUAILSATION - USING A 3000 MSEC GATE,START TR. 120 - 200 MSEC
C29 TR. 1 - 2500 MSEC
C30 INSIDE TRACE MUTE - APPLIED
C31 NORMAL MOVEOUT CORRECTION AND FIRST BREAK SUPPRESSION APPLIED
C32 COMMON DEPTH POINT STACK - 60 FOLD CDP STACK
C33 -
C34 -
C35 -
C36 *****
C37 * PROCESSED BY GEOPHYSICAL SERVICE INTERNATIONAL BEDFORD ENGLAND *
C38 * CC 82-6723 PROJECT NUMBER 148119 JUN/AUG 1985 *
C39 *****
C40 END EBCDIC:

Job number: 8119

Line number: 22

Reel number: 25493505

Data traces per ensemble: 1

Sample interval (this reel): 4000

Samps per trace (this reel): 1516

Sample format code: 1 (IBM 32-bit floating-point)

CDP fold: 1

Trace sort code: 4 (horizontally stacked)

Vertical sum code: 1

Gain recovered flag: 1

Amplitude recovery method: 4

Measurement units: 1 (metres)

Impulse signal polarity: 1

Line Id extracted from header: 'N85-22A'

Expected length of trace records: 6304 bytes

Normal {Normal completion}

Free Software

Magma 5.x for read and list

```
tcl> input read -listmode pattern -idbyte 1 -todeof
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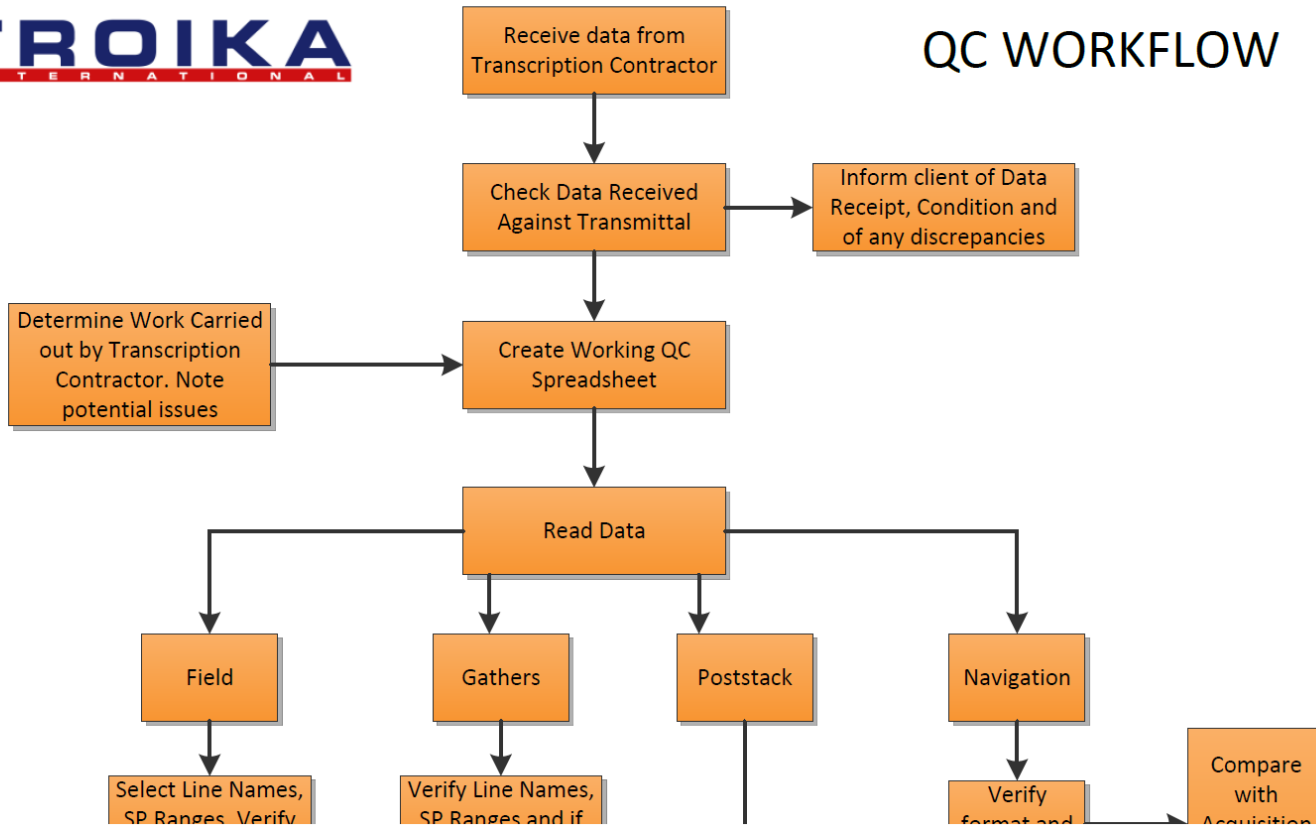
```
Read Input tape: N85-22A.sgy
```

	Record	Parity	Error	Super	Length	Status	File	Record	File
Id bytes 1 to 16									
c3fo f140 c3d3 c9c5 d5e3 407a 40c7 4be2	3200	n/a	-	1	1	1			
0000 1fb7 0000 0016 0185 0001 0001 0000	400	n/a	-	1	2	1			
0000 0001 0000 0001 0000 0001 0000 0000	6304	n/a	-	1	3	1			
---- 2996 records of same length omitted from listing ----									
0000 obb6 0000 obb6 0000 059a 0000 0000	6304	n/a	-	1	3000	1			
/>\ End-of-file (File 1, 3000 records)									
/>\ End-of-file (File 2, 0 records)									
Normal {Normal completion}									

QC Workflow



QC WORKFLOW



Challenges

Life of field – NPD The Petroleum Act addresses this issue in section 55 below. No data can be deleted in Norway without prior permission being granted by the authorities. So far LOF has not been addressed in this respect.

SeaBed acquisition

MicroSeismic

Etc.

You Can Do It

Make Data Management of Structured Data Easier

Check Data – don't let the contractors give you what they want to

Utilise the work of Format Bodies – so let's see what they have been up to.....



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SEGD3

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Extended source support



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- **Support for complex shooting schemes**
 - Multiple source initiations per shot record
 - Multiple sources firing simultaneously
- **Support for complex source configurations**
 - Traces and measurements for sources and parts of sources
- **Support more source types**
 - Electromagnetic source
 - No source/record not synchronized with source
- **Align SEG-D with SPS standard and/or SEG-Y revision 1 and Px/12 positioning support**



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Support for New Technology

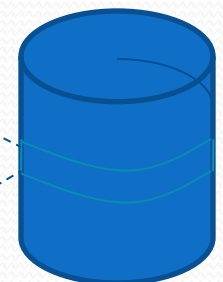
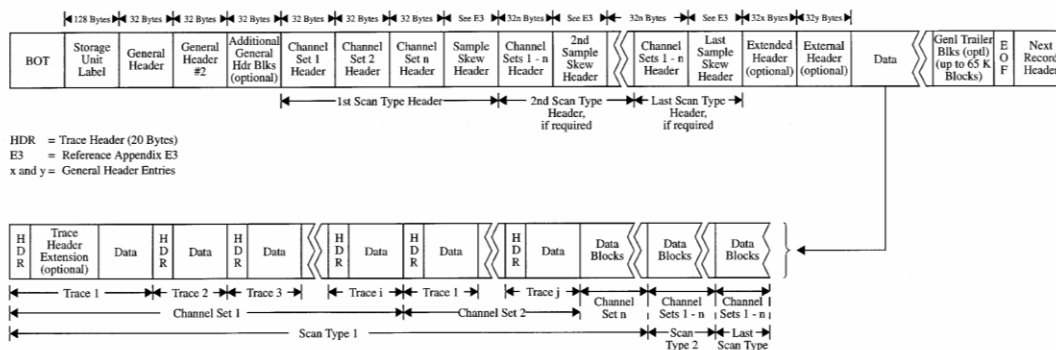
- Microseismic
- Under over cabling
- Seabed
- EM
- CSEM
- Transition
- Complex Arrays
- Receiver Organised Data

Support tape, disk, network transfer



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- Appendix F (Tape device block size) - ?
- Storage of SEGD records
 - One header block spanning multiple tape blocks
 - A trace spanning multiple tape blocks
 - Fixed/variable block devices
 - Disk storage
 - Transfer across network



New features in revision 3.0 proposal



- **Table Of Contents file**
 - Stored at end (or beginning) of tape
 - Lists all SEG-D records on a tape
 - Enable fast access to data
 - May be stored on disk (to simplify data mgt)

CHAPTER I.

PRELIMINARY DEFINITIONS AND THEOREMS.

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Survey information



- **Standardizing storage of common survey information**
 - **Vessel/crew identification**
 - **Survey area name**
 - **Client identification**
 - **Job identification**
 - **Line identification (Record set ID)**

Trailer

- Positioning Edits, Trust Flag
- Data Edits
- Comments
- Freeform for other information
- In other words the Observers Logs

Timestamp



- **All records, traces, measurements and events tagged with an absolute, microsecond accurate timestamp.**
- **Counting microseconds since 6 Jan 1980 (GPS epoch)**
 - 8 byte integer
 - Negative timestamps allowed
 - 292471 years range
 - Defined back to 1 jan 1970 (SEG-D epoch)
 - Leap seconds must be added to UTC timestamp (General Header)



Positions

- **Coordinate Reference System information stored as General Header**
- **SEG-Y Rev 1 stanza format + support for EPSG CRS ID.**
 - **Manual entry of parameters or using EPSG ID**
- **Any geographic, projected, or earth referenced CRS supported (1, 2 or 3 coordinates)**
- **Any number of CRS supported (One or two recommended)**
- **Position coordinates stored in Trace Header (receivers/sources) or General Header (sources)**
- **Two coordinate tuples per 96 byte position header**
 - **Most common: One geographic and one projected**
- **Contains type, timestamp and quality information**
- **A trace may contain any number of positions**

General

- All header blocks (with a few exceptions) have a identification byte (byte 32) to allow blocks to be optional and be placed in e.g. Trace header in any order.
- A table in SEG D standard will identify all types of header
 - Client info
 - Channelset block 1
 - Channelset block 2
 - Position block 1
 - Position block 2
 - Airgun source
 - Vibroseis source
 - Additional source info
 - Extended trace header info 1
 - Etc etc
- Goal: Selfdescribing data, enable automated processing

General headers

- Added header blocks
 - Vessel/crew identification (with abbreviation?) ASCII*32
 - Area name (with abbreviation?) ASCII*32
 - Client name (with abbreviation?) ASCII*32
 - Job name/number/identification ASCII*32
 - Line name/number/identification ASCII*32
- More accurate timestamp defined (exactly defines time of first sample)
 - Used in general header
 - Source header
 - Trace header

Source header

- Used to be General header N
- Expand source header to contain most of SPS (needed to process SEG-D automatically)
- Needed more than 32 bytes -> put common info into extended source info header
- One header block per source (single/combined)
- Can be put into trace header (e.g. in case of slipsweep acquisition)
- Quality information, timing

Channelset

- Reformatted due to large number of new requirements
 - Samplerate
 - Starttime/endtime
 - Number of channels/samples
 - Filter definition extended
- 64 bytes (Channelset header block 1 & 2)
- Notch filter frequencies? Keep, remove or extend?
- Removed sensitivity from chset header (put into trace header) (only sensors with same sensitivity could be in same channelset, each sensor have different sensitivity)



Trace header

- Increased in size (255*32 byte)
- Partly defined in SEG-D standard
- Partly user defined (more space available than in rev 2.X)
- Can contain position of trace
- Can contain source headers



General trailer

- Completely reformatted from Rev 2.x
- Consists of separate blocks of different (userdefined) information
- Each block starts with a description block defining type and size.
- Some blocks predefined
 - Edits
 - Positions (SEGD, P₁, P₂)
 - Text comments
 - Observer log
 - TOC?

[GT Desc Block (32 byte)][Block 1 (x*32byte)][GTDB][Block2][GTDB][Block3]....



SEGD3.1

SUPPORT FOR LITTLE ENDIAN DATA TYPES

9015 20 bit binary
9022 8 bit quaternary
9024 16 bit quaternary
9036 24 bit 2's complement integer
9038 32 bit 2's complement integer
9042 8 bit hexadecimal
9044 16 bit hexadecimal
9048 32 bit hexadecimal
9058 32 bit IEEE
9080 64 bit IEEE



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SEG Y rev 2 – under review

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http://www.seg.org/web/technical-standards-committee/documents/-/document_library/view/6062543



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Unchanged Items

- **2.1. Unchanged Items**
- EBCDIC encoding allowed for text
- The size of the original 3200-byte
- Textual File Header, 400-byte Binary
- File Header and initial 240-byte Trace

Unchanged Items



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Magma Utility Shell Program Version 5.1.0.alpha1

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[Tcl version 8.4.16]

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Magma license checked out

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tcl> tdevs

tcl> tdevs21

tcl> tchanger devices

tcl> rtapi installed

o

tcl> tmount diskfile auto N85-24.sgy -name input -access read -directory C:/MagmaJobs/Data/2Dproject
input

tcl> input read -listmode pattern -idbyte 1 -records 50

Read Input tape: N85-24.sgy

Id bytes	1 to 16	Length	Count	Status	File	Record	File
c3f0 f140 c3d3 c9c5 d5e3 407a 40c7 4be2		3200	n/a	-	1	1	1
0000 1fb7 0000 0018 0185 0001 0001 0000		400	n/a	-	1	2	1
0000 0001 0000 0001 0000 0002 0000 0000		6304	n/a	-	1	3	1
---- 46 records of same length omitted from listing ----							
0000 0030 0000 0030 0000 0019 0000 0000		6304	n/a	-	1	50	1

Normal {Normal completion}

Downward Compatibility to SEG Y1.0



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- First 240 bytes of trace headers to remain the same.
- Edit to binary header - as long as undefined fields were filled with binary zeros
- Multiple EBCDIC headers as per SEG Y Rev 1.0 under same rules to provide downward compatibility to SEG Y.
- Deprecate Rev 1.0 name and rename SEG Y Rev 1.0 to SEG Y1.0



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SEG Y1.0 – Trace Header

181-184 X coordinate of ensemble (CDP) position of this trace (scalar in Trace Header bytes 71-72 applies). The coordinate reference system should be identified through an extended header Location Data stanza (see section D-1).

185-188 Y coordinate of ensemble (CDP) position of this trace (scalar in bytes Trace Header 71-72 applies). The coordinate reference system should be identified through an extended header Location Data stanza (see section D-1).

189-192 For 3-D poststack data, this field should be used for the in-line number. If one in-line per SEG Y file is being recorded, this value should be the same for all traces in the file and the same value will be recorded in bytes 3205-3208 of the Binary File Header.

193-196 For 3-D poststack data, this field should be used for the cross-line number. This will typically be the same value as the ensemble (CDP) number in Trace Header bytes 21-24, but this does not have to be the case.

File	Traces	Setup	Read
fit_mig.sgy	64860	OK	OK

EBCDIC header: fit_mig.sgy SEG-Y Rev 0

```

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8
1234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890
C 1 CLIENT: ROCKY MOUNTAIN OILFIELD TESTING CENTER
C 2 PROJECT: NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVE #3 (TEAPOT DOME); NATRONA COUNTY, WYOMING
C 3 LINE: 3D
C 4
C 5 THIS IS THE FILTERED POST STACK MIGRATION
C 6
C 7 INLINE 1, XLINE 1: X COORDINATE: 788937 Y COORDINATE: 938846
C 8 INLINE 1, XLINE 189: X COORDINATE: 809502 Y COORDINATE: 939334
C 9 INLINE 345, XLINE 1: X COORDINATE: 788039 Y COORDINATE: 976675
    
```

Binary file header: fit_mig.sgy SEG-Y Rev 0

	Value
JOBNUM	9999
LINENUM	9999
REELNUM	1
NSEIS	188
NAUX	0
DT	2000
NSAMPS	1501
SAMPFMT	1

Trace headers: fit_mig.sgy SEG-Y Rev 0

	165 - 166 SECOND	167 - 168 TIMEBASE	169 - 170 TRWEIGHT	171 - 172 RSTASWP1	173 - 174 RSTATRC1	175 - 176 RSTATRCN	177 - 178 GAPSIZE	179 - 180 OVERTRLV	181 - 184 OPT1	185 - 188 OPT2	189 - 192 OPT3	193 - 196 OPT4	197 - 200 OPT5	201 - 204 OPT6	205 - 208 OPT7	209 - 212 OPT8	213 - 216 OPT9	217 - 220 OPT10	221 - 224 OPT11	
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	788937	938846	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	789047	938848	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	789157	938851	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	789267	938853	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	789377	938856	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	789487	938859	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	789597	938861	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	789707	938864	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	789817	938867	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	789927	938869	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	11	790037	938872	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12	790147	938874	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	13	790257	938877	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	790367	938880	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15	790477	938882	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	16	790587	938885	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	790697	938887	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	18	790807	938890	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	19	790917	938893	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	791027	938895	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	21	791137	938898	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	22	791247	938900	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	23	791357	938903	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	24	791467	938906	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	791577	938908	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	26	791687	938911	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	27	791797	938914	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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Changes for SEG Y2.0

- Allow 240 byte trace header extensions, using a text string in the last 8 bytes of each extension to identify its contents
- Support up to 2^{31} samples per trace and traces per ensemble
- Permit arbitrarily large and small sample intervals (double precision option)
- Added 3-byte and 8-byte sample formats



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Changes for SEG Y2.0

- Support microsecond date and time stamps
- Provide for additional precision in coordinates, depths, elevations (Can use lat/long and UTM directly)
- Synchronize coordinate reference system specification with SEG-D rev 3
- Backward compatible with rev 1 (with edit to binary header) as long as undefined fields were filled with binary zeros

On Tape and On Disk

One important class of media that does not conform to the variable length record model is the disk file, which is defined on modern systems as a byte stream without any structure. It has become common practice to write SEG Y data to disk, including CDROM, for data distribution. Certain rules have to be followed for this to work

correctly. Appendix A defines how SEG Y data should be written to a disk file. In order to make SEG Y consistent with the SEG D Rev 3.0 standard, Appendix B defines a tape label for SEG Y tapes, using a format based on the RP66 Storage Unit Label.

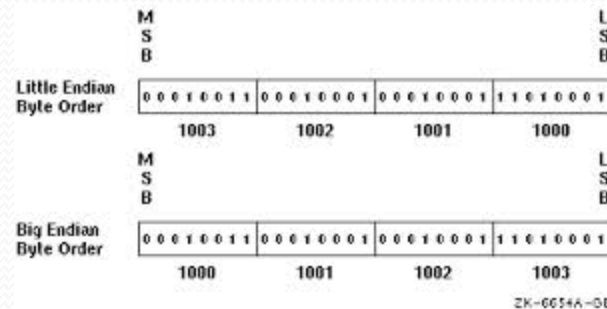




Big Endian

3.3. Number Formats

In the 1975 SEG Y standard, all binary values are defined as using “big-endian” byte ordering. This conformed to the IBM tape standard and means that, within the bytes that make up a number, the most significant byte (containing the sign bit) is written closest to the beginning of the file and the least significant byte is written closest to the end of the file. This byte ordering convention is maintained in this revision of the SEG Y format and it should be adhered to for all conforming versions of SEG Y. This is independent of the medium to which a particular SEG Y file is written (i.e. the byte ordering is no different if the file is written to tape on a mainframe or to disk on a PC).



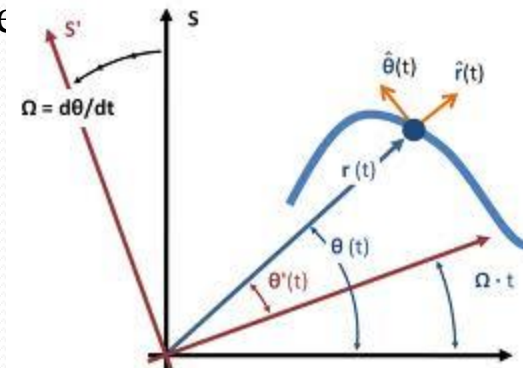
CRS

3.5. Coordinates

Knowing the source and trace locations is a primary requirement for processing seismic data, and knowing the location of the processed data with respect to other data is essential for interpretation. Traditionally seismic coordinates have been supplied as geographic coordinates and/or grid coordinates. SEG Y accommodates either form. However locations are ambiguous without clear coordinate reference system (CRS) definition. SEG Y rev 1 significantly expands the ability to define the CRS used for the coordinates contained within the Binary Header, the Extended Textual Headers and the Trace Headers. **A SINGLE CRS MUST** be used for all coordinates within an individual SEG Y data set.

Additionally the coordinate units must be the

EPSG reference is not considered to be enough on it's own.





Binary Header

BYTE NUMBER

3213-32141 Number of data traces per ensemble. Mandatory for prestack data

3215-3216 Number of auxiliary traces per ensemble. Mandatory for prestack data.

3217-3218 Sample interval in microseconds (μ s). Mandatory for all data types

3221-3222 Number of samples per data trace. Mandatory for all types of data.

Note: The sample interval and number of samples in the Binary File Header should be for the primary set of seismic data traces in the file

3225-3226 Data sample format code. Mandatory for all data.

1 = 4-byte IBM floating-point

2 = 4-byte, two's complement integer

3 = 2-byte, two's complement integer

4 = 4-byte fixed-point with gain (obsolete)

5 = 4-byte IEEE floating-point

6 = Not currently used

7 = Not currently used

8 = 1-byte, two's complement integer



Binary Header

BYTE NUMBER

3227-32286 Ensemble fold — The expected number of data traces per trace ensemble (e.g. the CMP fold). **Mandatory**

3229-32306 Trace sorting code (i.e. type of ensemble) :

-1 = Other (should be explained in user Extended Textual File Header stanza

0 = Unknown

1 = As recorded (no sorting)

2 = CDP ensemble

3 = Single fold continuous profile

4 = Horizontally stacked

5 = Common source point

6 = Common receiver point

7 = Common offset point

8 = Common mid-point

9 = Common conversion point

Mandatory.



Binary Header

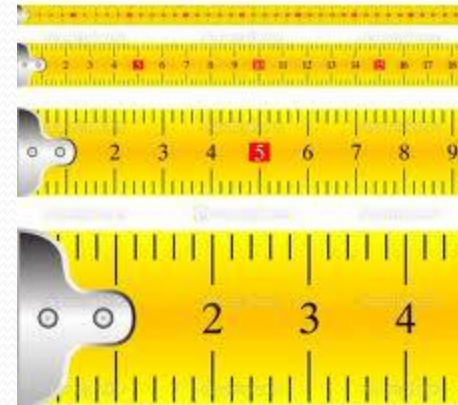
3255-32566

Measurement system: **Mandatory**.

If Location Data stanzas are included in the file, this entry must agree with the Location Data stanza. If there is a disagreement, the last Location Data stanza is the controlling authority.

1 = Meters

2 = Feet





Binary Header

3501-35026

SEG Y Format Revision Number. This is a 16-bit unsigned value. **This field is mandatory for all versions of SEG Y, although a value of zero indicates “traditional” SEG Y conforming to the 1975 standard.**

3503-35046

Fixed length trace flag. A value of one indicates that all traces in this SEG Y file are guaranteed to have the same sample interval and number of samples. **This field is mandatory for all versions of SEG Y, although a value of zero indicates “traditional” SEG Y conforming to the 1975 standard.**



Binary Header

3505-35066

Number of 3200-byte, **Extended Textual File Header** records following the Binary Header. A value of zero indicates there are no Extended Textual File Header records (i.e. this file has no Extended Textual File Header(s)). A value of -1 indicates that there are a variable number of Extended Textual File Header records and the end of the Extended Textual File Header is denoted by an ((SEG: EndText)) stanza in the final record. A positive value indicates that there are exactly that many Extended Textual File Header records. Note that, although the exact number of Extended Textual File Header records may be a useful piece of information, it will not always be known at the time the Binary Header is written and it is not mandatory that a positive value be recorded here. **This field is mandatory for all versions of SEG Y, although a value of zero indicates “traditional” SEG Y conforming to the 1975 standard**



6.3. Stanza Example

((JJ ESeis: Microseismic Geometry Definition ver 1.0))

Definer name = J and J Example Seismic Ltd.

Line Name Convention = CDA

Line Name = Sample MicroSeismic 1

First Trace In Data Set = 101

Last Trace In Data Set = 1021

First SP In Data Set = 2001

Last SP In Data Set = 6032

((SEG: Coverage Perimeter ver 1.0))

Coverage type =full-fold

Perimeter coordinate type =I,J

Perimeter node number =10

Perimeter node coordinates =334.0000,908.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =654.0000,908.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =654.0000,833.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =900.0000,833.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =900.0000,721.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =1352.0000,721.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =1352.0000,289.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =802.0000,289.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =802.0000,368.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =334.0000,368.0000

Perimeter node coordinates =334.0000,908.0000

Coverage Perimeter comment =48 fold data

((SEG: Measurement Units ver 1.0))

Data Sample Measurement Unit =Millivolts

Volt conversion =0.001

... additional stanzas or blank records to end of 3200-byte Extended Textual Header

((SEG: EndText))



Trace Headers

1-4 Trace sequence number within line — Numbers continue to increase if the same line continues across multiple SEG Y files.

Mandatory.

9-12 Original field record number. **Mandatory.**

13-16 Trace number within the original field record. **Mandatory.**

-1 = Other

0 = Unknown

1 = Time domain seismic data

2 = Dead

3 = Dummy

4 = Time break

Etc Etc Etc to 39 = Rotational sensor – Pitch

40 = Rotational sensor – Roll

41 = Rotational sensor – Yaw

42 ... 64 = Reserved

65 ... N = optional use, (maximum N = 32,767) **Mandatory.**



Trace Headers

73-76 Source coordinate - X.

77-80 Source coordinate - Y.

81-84 Group coordinate - X.

85-88 Group coordinate - Y.

The coordinate reference system should be identified through an extended header Location Data stanza (see section D-1). If the coordinate units are in seconds of arc, decimal degrees or DMS, the X values represent longitude and the Y values latitude. A positive value designates east of Greenwich Meridian or north of the equator and a negative value designates south or west.

89-90 Coordinate units:

1 = Length (meters or feet)

2 = Seconds of arc

3 = Decimal degrees

4 = Degrees, minutes, seconds (DMS)



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Trace Headers

115-116 Number of samples in this trace. **Mandatory.**

117-1188 - Sample interval for this trace. Microseconds (μs) for time data, Hertz (Hz) for frequency data, meters (m) or feet (ft) for depth data. The number of bytes in a trace record must be consistent with the number of samples written in the trace header. This is important for all recording media; but it is particularly crucial for the correct processing of SEG Y data in disk files (see Appendix C). **Mandatory**



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128 byte Tape Label

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Table 4 SEG Y Tape Label

Field Description Bytes Start - end byte

1 Storage Unit Sequence Number 4 1 - 4

2 SEG Y Revision 5 5 - 9

3 Storage Unit Structure (fixed or variable) 6 10 - 15

4 Binding Edition 4 16 - 19

5 Maximum Block Size 10 20 - 29

6 Producer Organization Code 10 30 - 39

7 Creation Date 11 40 - 50

8 Serial Number 12 51 - 62

9 Reserved 6 63 - 68

10 Storage Set Identifier 60 69 - 128

Encapsulation

- Necessary with High Capacity Media
- Hardware summary
- Linear Serpentine recording
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- 1.6 TB capacity using JB/JX media
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- 800 MBps burst data rate
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