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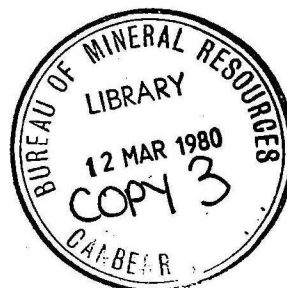
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SUMMARY

A description is given of a computer program (GRAV3) used for calculating the gravity anomaly due to a finite prism. The program is written in FORTRAN IV for interactive use with an HP 21MX mini-computer and GOULD 5000 printer/plotter under RTE II using TEROS.

The program may be compiled, loaded, and executed using a system teletype. Little or no data preparation is required and interpretation is achieved by forward interactive modelling.

The program provides a computer plot together with suitable annotation and a cross-section of the case modelled.

1. INTRODUCTION

In metalliferous exploration the need commonly arises to interpret gravity anomalies which are caused by tabular bodies of finite strike length. The horizontal prism of trapezium cross-section provides the interpreter with a simple yet realistic geometrical form for a first-order interpretation of an anomaly.

A computer program is described for calculating the gravity anomaly of a finite homogeneous horizontal prism. The program is called GRAV3 and is based on formulae derived by Hjelt (1974).

The program has been written in FORTRAN IV for interactive use with an HP 21MX mini-computer and a GOULD 5000 printer/plotter under RTE II using TEROS. The basic program algorithm is simple and rapid, and could be readily adapted for use with some of the more recent desk top calculators. Little or no data preparation is required, and interpretation is achieved by forward interactive modelling.

2. CO-ORDINATE SYSTEM AND FORMULAE

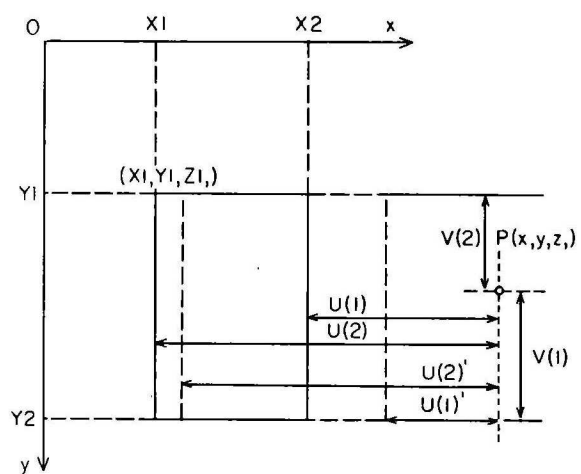
Co-ordinate system

A rectangular co-ordinate system is used (Fig.1) with the X axis perpendicular to the strike direction, the Y axis parallel to the strike, and the Z axis positive downwards. The dipping surfaces of the prism are defined by the angles ξ and θ . A special case of the model is that of a prism in which $\xi = \theta$. The top and bottom faces of the structure are horizontal, and the two faces perpendicular to the strike direction are vertical.

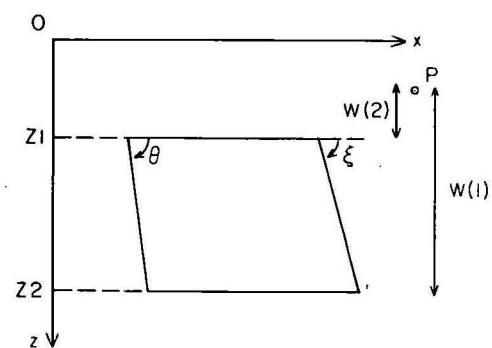
The corners of the prism are defined by their X,Y,Z co-ordinates (e.g. X1, Y1, Z1) and the distances between the prism and the observation point P(X, Y, Z) are denoted by U, V, and W as shown in Figure 1.

Oblique profiles

Profiles, other than those normal to the prism strike, can be run by defining a profile co-ordinate system, at an angle β to the prism co-ordinate system (see Fig. 1b). In such cases, program GRAV3 plots the calculated gravity values with respect to the profile co-ordinate system.

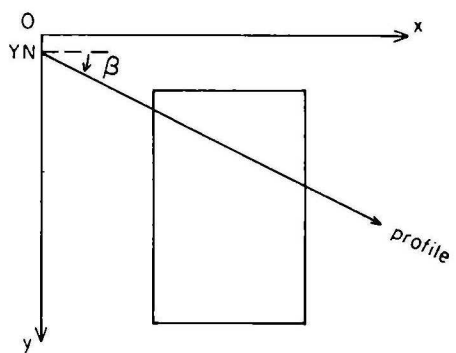


Plan



Cross-section

a) Horizontal prism



Plan

b) Oblique profile

Fig.1 Co-ordinate system and notations

3.

Mathematical formulae

The gravity anomaly of a finite dipping prism ($\theta = \xi$) is given by Hjelt (1974):

$$\Delta g = G \cdot \Delta \rho \cdot T_o$$

where $\Delta \rho$ is the density contrast, G the gravitational constant, and

$$T_o = \left[\left[\left(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 + \theta_4 + \theta_5 \right) \right] \begin{matrix} U_1 & V_1 & W_1 \\ U_2 & V_2 & W_2 \end{matrix} \right]$$

where

$$\theta_1 = W \arctan \frac{(UV)}{WR}$$

$$\theta_2 = -p \cdot \sin \xi \cos \xi \arctan \frac{(V \cdot q)}{p \cdot R}$$

$$\theta_3 = -p \cdot \sin^2 \xi \ln (V + R)$$

$$\theta_4 = -V \cdot \ln (U + R)$$

$$\theta_5 = V \cdot \cos \xi \ln (q \cdot \sin \xi + R)$$

$$R = \sqrt{U^2 + V^2 + W^2}$$

$$p = U - W \cot \xi$$

$$q = W + U \cot \xi$$

The gravity anomaly of a prism with a more general trapezium cross-section is obtained by substituting θ for ξ when $U = U(2)$ or $u(2)$ (see Fig.1).

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Flow chart

The essential elements of the program structure are shown in the flow chart (Fig. 2). Program variables used in the flow chart are defined in the program listing (see Appendix). For operational convenience in BMR, a number of system subroutines are used, but these do not detract from the generality of the basic program algorithm. System subroutines are referred to by name (e.g. RMPAR, NUMB, etc.) and further details may be obtained from the HP-RTE II system manual and the GOULD printer manual.

Data input

The input model parameters used in the program are defined as follows:

MN	=	Model number.	Always start with MN = 1
X1	=	X co-ordinate of top edge nearest origin	
X2	=	X co-ordinate of top edge farthest from origin	
Y1	=	Y co-ordinate of top edge nearest origin.	
Y2	=	Y co-ordinate of top edge farthest from origin	
Z1	=	Depth to top of prism	
Z2	=	Depth to base of prism	
XN	=	X co-ordinate of first observation point	
YN	=	Y " " " " "	
ZN	=	Z " " " " "	
DX	=	Station increment along X axis	
THETA	=	Dip of prism edge nearest to origin in degrees	
ETA	=	" " " " farthest from origin in degrees	
BETA	=	Angle between X axis and profile, measured clockwise from the positive X axis in degrees	
DEN	=	Density contrast	
NXN	=	Number of stations	

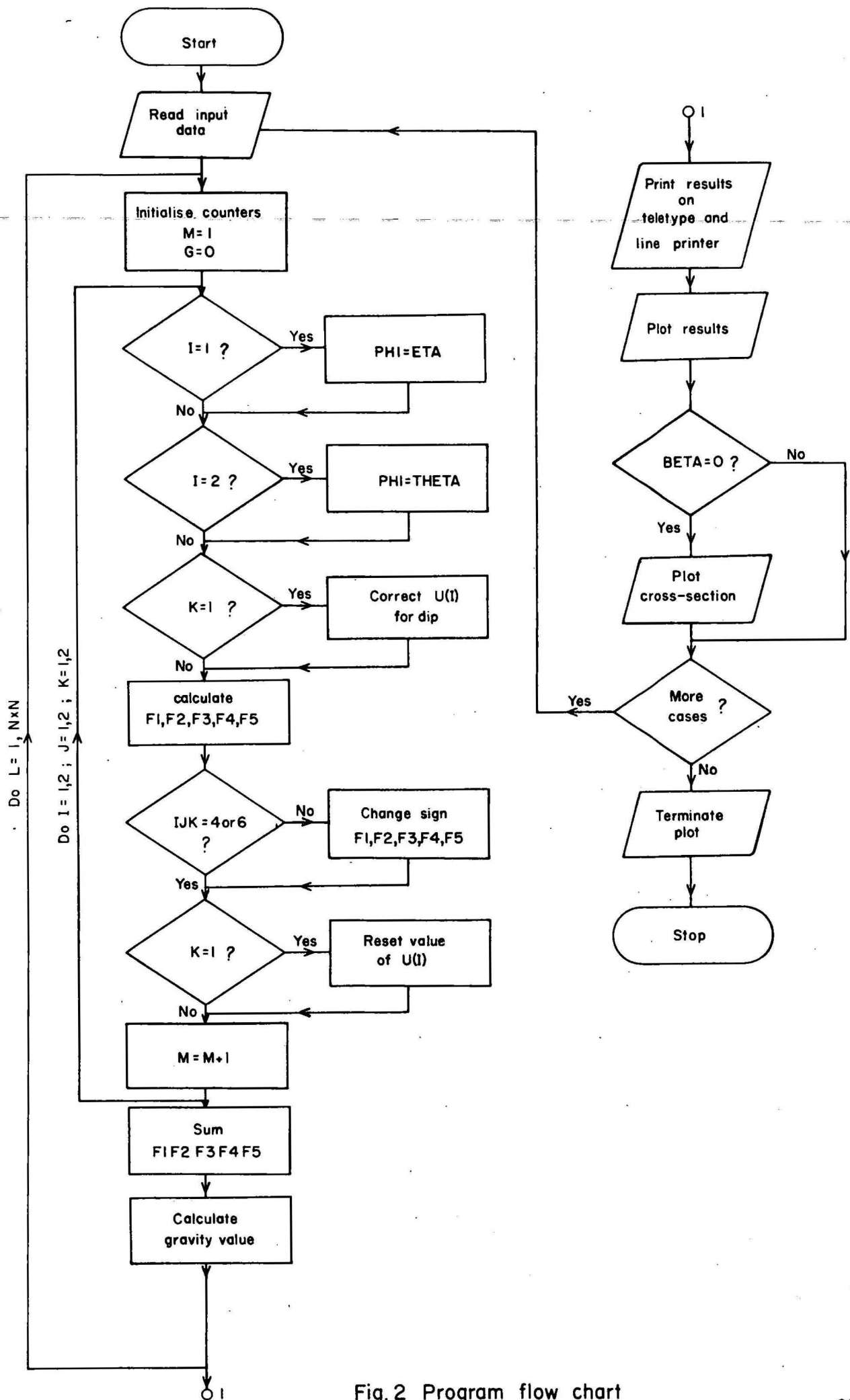


Fig.2 Program flow chart

The program is structured for maximum interactive use by the interpreter, and may be compiled, loaded, and executed by means of a system teletype. Model parameters for each case are fed to the computer using a free-field format.

The source program is stored as a resident disc file GRAV3S but is also available on paper tape.

Loading the program

To load the program, the following command sequence is observed:

- | | |
|----------------|--|
| 1. *GF, GRAV3S | This command calls the source program into the user scratch region. |
| 2. *FT, FL | This command causes the program to be compiled as a binary relocatable file. |
| 3. *GF, STAT.. | This command schedules the binary file for loading. |
| 4. *LD, 0 | This command causes the program to be loaded. |

The above steps are once-only commands and need not be repeated while the system is up.

Running the program

To run the program, the following command sequence is observed:

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. *LG, GRAV3 | This command causes scheduling of the program for execution. |
| 2. "MN, X1, X2, Y1,
Y2, Z1, Z2 = " | At this request, type in the appropriate model parameters. |
| 3. "XN, YN, ZN, DX,
NXN, DEN, ETA,
THETA, BETA = " | Type in appropriate parameters separated by a comma. |
| 4. "MISTAKE IN INPUT
DATA?" | Answer YES or NO. If YES, the program will return to step 2. |

6.

5. "ANY MORE CASES?" Answer YES or NO. If YES, the program will return to step 2 so that additional cases can be modelled.

The user may log into the program any number of times using the command *LG, GRAV3. User commands are preceded by a * as shown; terminal replies are given in inverted commas.

An example illustrating the use of the input commands is given in Figure 3.

If more than one case is to be modelled, only the parameters to be varied need be changed. For all parameters preceding those to be changed, type in commas. Following parameters may be ignored.

Data output

Two modes of data output are utilised. The calculated gravity values are sent to the user teletype for immediate perusal (Fig. 3) and also to the line printer for plotting. The graphical plot includes suitable annotation and a cross-section of the case modelled (see Figs. 4 and 5). A cross-section of the model is not produced for oblique profiles.

4. PROGRAM TESTING

The program was tested against Nagy's (1966) formula for the gravity effect of a right rectangular prism and with one of Hjelt's (1974) cases. The results shown in Figure 4 indicate an excellent fit between the GRAV3 results and the test data.

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*GF, GRAV3S
GRAV3S COPIED TO SCRATCH TRACKS, LENGTH: 201 RECORDS, 2800 WORDS
*FT, FL
TEROS TERMINAL ASSEMBLY/COMPILATION SYSTEM. BINARY OUTFILE = STAT2B
*GF, STAT2B
STAT2B COPIED TO SCRATCH TRACKS, LENGTH: 90 RECORDS, 2800 WORDS
*LD, 0
  /LOADR:LOAD
  /LOADR:GRAV3 READY
  /LOADR:$END

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Loading program

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*LG, GRAV3
GRAV3 ON

  MN, X1, X2, Y1, Y2, Z1, Z2=
1, 80., 100., 0., 100., 5., 60.

  XN, YN, ZN, DX, NXN, DEN, ETA, THETA, BETA=
0., 50., 0., 10., 21, 2.5, 45., 110., 0.

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  MISTAKE IN INPUT DATA?
NO

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1	MODEL NO.	1
0	STATION	GRAVITY VALUE
0	.00	.16
0	10.00	.20
0	20.00	.27
0	30.00	.36
0	40.00	.49
0	50.00	.67
0	60.00	.94
0	70.00	1.33
0	80.00	1.89
0	90.00	2.25
0	100.00	2.18
0	110.00	1.80
0	120.00	1.43
0	130.00	1.12
0	140.00	.86
0	150.00	.66
0	160.00	.50
0	170.00	.38
0	180.00	.29
0	190.00	.22
0	200.00	.17

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  ANY MORE CASES?
YES

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ETC.ETC. #

Running program

Fig.3 Teletype input/output

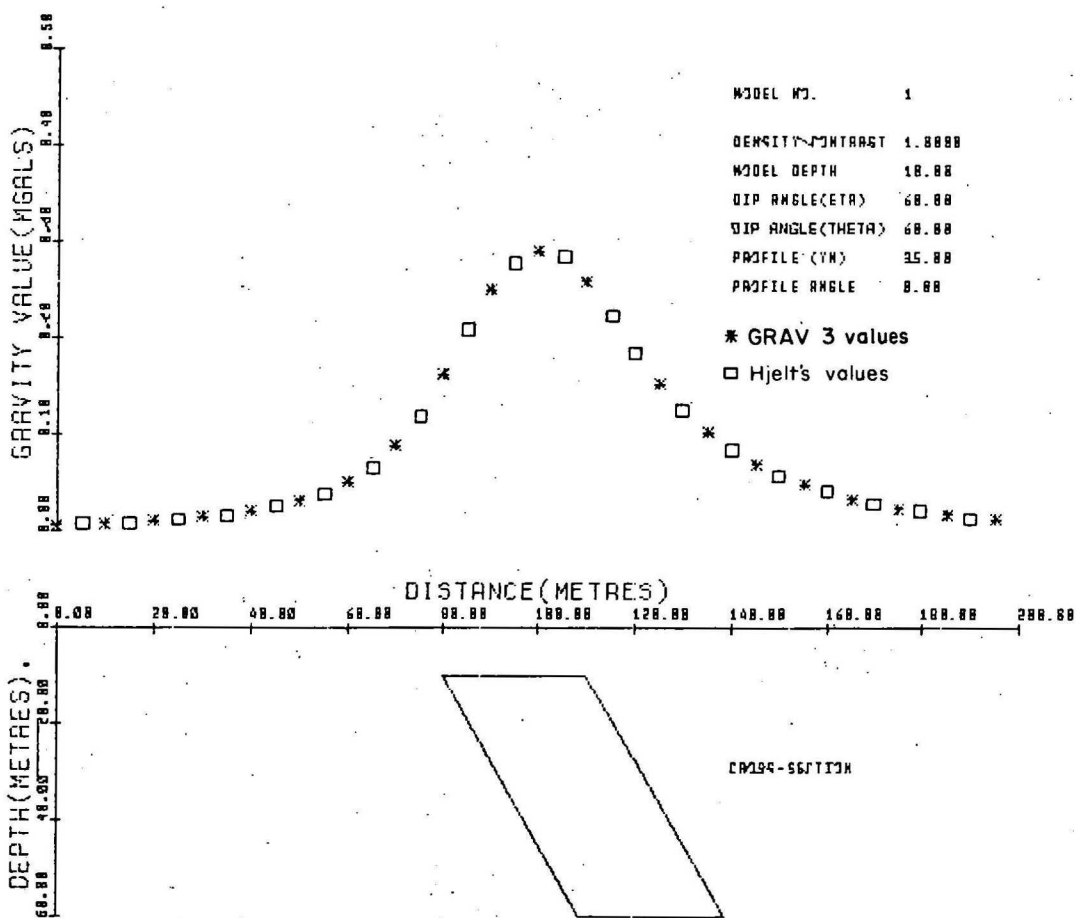
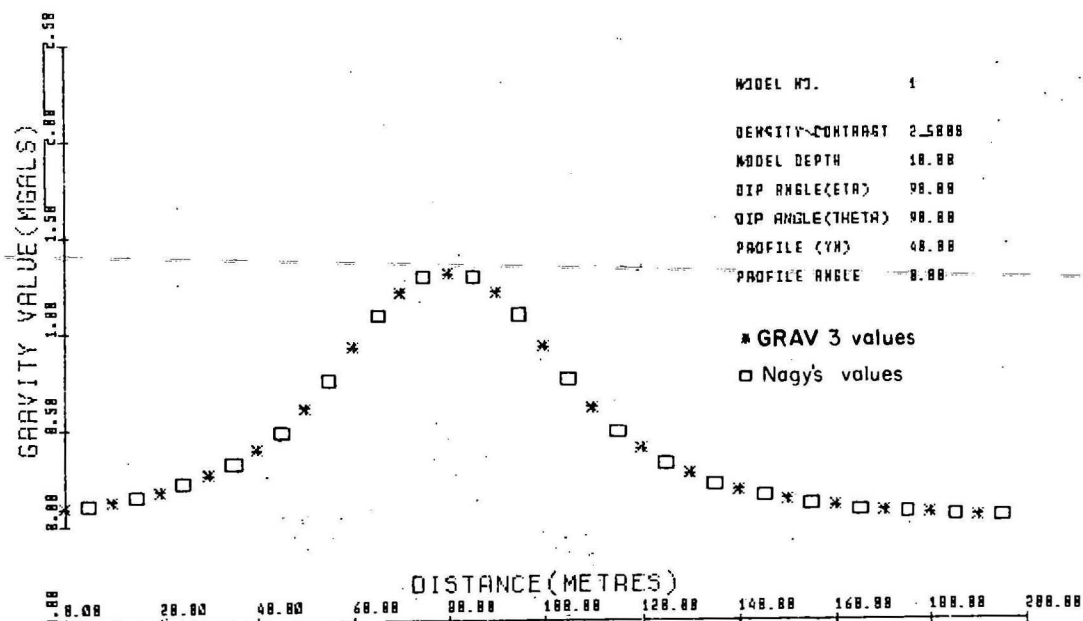
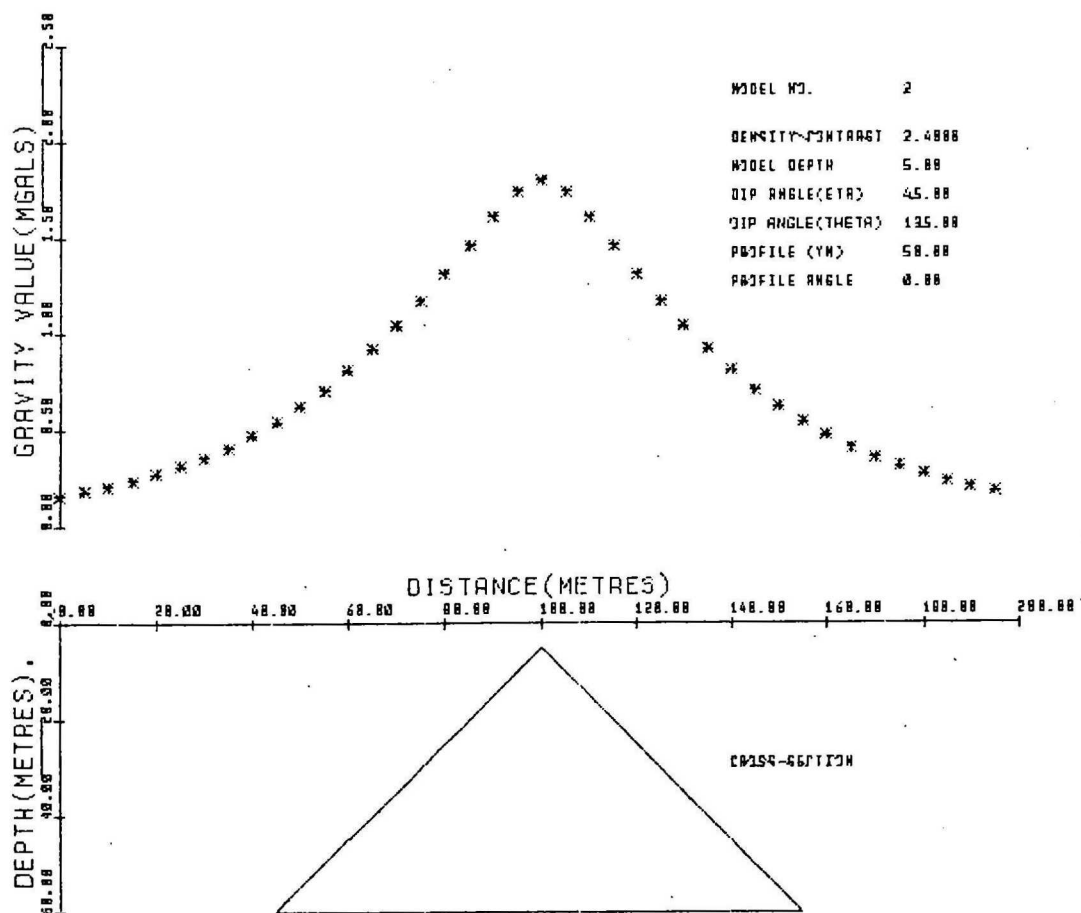
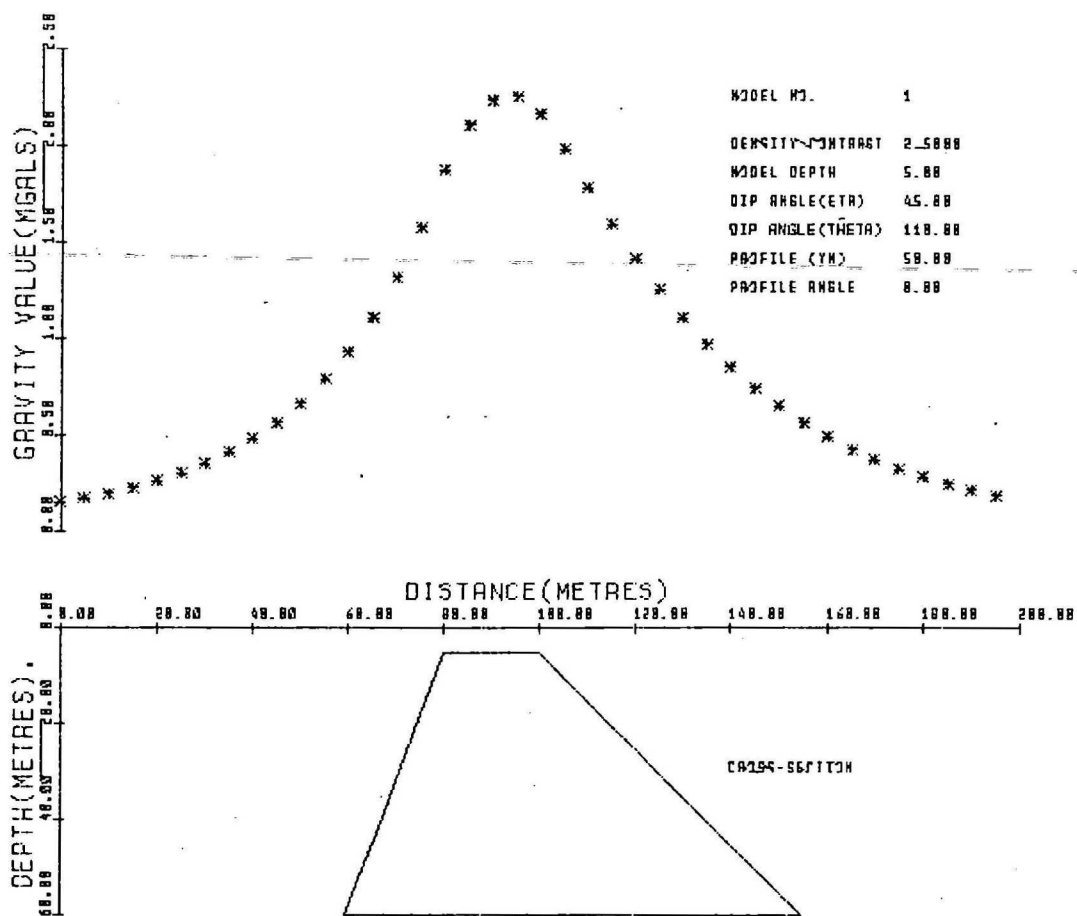


Fig.4 Program testing



5. EXAMPLES

Some further examples of the use of the program GRAV3 are shown in Figure 5.

6. REFERENCES

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Geoexploration, v.12(1), pp.29-39.

NAGY, D., 1966 - The gravitational attraction of a right
rectangular prism. Geophysics, v.31, pp.362-371.

Appendix: PROGRAM LISTING

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**
**          GRAV3
**          oTERMINAL 31
**          OUTPUT LOGICAL UNIT = 6
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**
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**
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*****
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1  FTN4,B,L
2  PROGRAM GRAV3
3  C    AUTHOR- R.D.OGILVY
4  C    THIS PROGRAM CALCULATES THE GRAVITY ANOMALY OF A
5  C    3-DIMENSIONAL DIPPING PRISM, OR TRAPEZOIDAL STRUCTURE.
6  C    ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN METRES.
7  C    MN=MODEL NUMBER
8  C    X1=CO-OD OF FIRST TOP EDGE ON X AXIS
9  C    X2=CO-OD OF SECOND TOP EDGE ON X AXIS
10 C    Y1=CO-OD OF FIRST EDGE ON Y AXIS
11 C    Y2=CO-OD OF SECOND EDGE ON Y AXIS
12 C    Z1=DEPTH TO TOP OF PRISM
13 C    Z2=DEPTH TO BASE OF PRISM
14 C    XN=X CO-OD OF FIRST FIELD POINT
15 C    YN=Y CO-OD OF FIRST FIELD POINT
16 C    ZN=Z CO-OD OF FIRST FIELD POINT
17 C
18 C    ALL DISTANCES MEASURED IN METRES.
19 C    ALL ANGLES MEASURED IN DEGREES.
20 C    DX=STATION INCREMENT ALONG X AXIS
21 C    THETA =DIP OF PRISM(OR TRAPEZOID ) EDGE NEAREST TO ORIGIN.
22 C    ETA=DIP OF PRISM EDGE FURTHEST FROM ORIGIN.
23 C    BETA=ANGLE BETWEEN X AXIS AND PROFILE, MEASURED CLOCKWISE
24 C    FROM +VE X AXIS.
25 C    DEN=DENSITY CONTRAST( C.G.S)
26 C    GC=GRAVITATIONAL CONSTANT (C.G.S)
27 C    NXN=NUMBER OF STATIONS
28 C    AG=ARRAY FOR GRAVITY VALUES
29 C    STAT=ARRAY FOR OBSERVATION POINTS
30 C
31 DIMENSION AG(400),STAT(400),F1(8),F2(8),F3(8),F4(8);LU(5)
32 DIMENSION F5(8),U(2),V(2),W(2)
33 INTEGER MN,NXN
34 REAL X1,X2,Y1,Y2,Z1,Z2,XN,YN,ZN,DX,DEN,ETA,THETA,BETA
35 INTEGER STR1(10),STR2(7),STR3(8),STR4(8),STR5(11),
36 *STR6(8),STR7(8),STR8(8),STR10(7),STR11(7),STR9(6)
37 DATA STR1/2HGR,2HAV,2HIT,2HY ,2HVA,2HLU,2HE(.2HMG,2HAL,2HS)/
38 DATA STR2/2HDE,2HPT,2HH(.2HME,2HTR,2HES,2H) /
39 DATA STR3/2HDI,2HST,2HAN,2HCE,2H(M,2HET,2HRE,2HS)/
40 DATA STR4/2HMO,2HDE,2HL ,2HNO,2H. ,2H ,2H ,2H /
41 DATA STR5/2HDE,2HNS,2HIT,2HY ,2HCO,2HNT,2HRA,2HST,2H ,2H ,2H /
42 DATA STR6/2HMO,2HDE,2HL ,2HDE,2HPT,2HH ,2H ,2H /
43 DATA STR7/2HDI,2HP ,2HAN,2HGL,2HE(.2HET,2HA),2H /
44 DATA STR8/2HDI,2HP ,2HAN,2HGL,2HE(.2HTH,2HET,2HA)/
45 DATA STR9/2HPR,2HOF,2HIL,2HE ,2H(Y,2HN)/
46 DATA STR10/2HPR,2HOF,2HIL,2HE ,2HAN,2HGL,2HE /
47 DATA STR11/2HCR,2HOS,2HS-,2HSE,2HCT,2HIO,2HN /
48
49 C    READ INPUT DATA
50 C
51 CALL RMPAR(LU)
52 .1 WRITE(LU,300)
53 300 FORMAT(/2X,"MN,X1,X2,Y1,Y2,Z1,Z2=")
54 READ(LU,*)MN,X1,X2,Y1,Y2,Z1,Z2

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55      WRITE(LU,301)
56      301 FORMAT(/2X,"XN,YN,ZN,DX,NXN,DEN,ETA,THETA,BETA=")
57      READ(LU,X)XN,YN,ZN,DX,NXN,DEN,ETA,THETA,BETA
58      14 WRITE(LU,303)
59      303 FORMAT(/2X,"MISTAKE IN INPUT DATA?")
60      READ(LU,6)NGOOD
61      6 FORMAT(A2)
62      IF(NGOOD.EQ.2HYES)GO TO 1
63      C
64      C      CONVERT INPUT DATA
65      C
66      GC=6.87/100000000
67      PI=3.14159
68      ETA=ETA*PI/180
69      THETA=THETA*PI/180
70      BETA=BETA*PI/180
71      KG=XN
72      C
73      DO 99 L=1,NXN
74      X=(L-1)*DX*ICOS(BETA)+XN
75      Y=(L-1)*DX*ISIN(BETA)+YN
76      STAT(L)=XN+(L-1)*DX
77      H=Z2-Z1
78      U(1)=X-X2
79      U(2)=X-X1
80      V(1)=Y-Y2
81      V(2)=Y-Y1
82      W(1)=ZN-Z2
83      W(2)=ZN-Z1
84      C
85      C      CALCULATE GRAVITY FUNCTION G
86      C
87      M=1
88      G=0
89      DO 10 I=1,2
90      DO 10 J=1,2
91      DO 10 K=1,2
92      IF((ABS(W(K))-0.001) LT 0)W(K)=0.001
93      IF(I EQ 1)PHI=ETA
94      IF(I EQ 2)PHI=THETA
95      IF(K EQ 1)U(I)=U(I)-H/TAN(PHI)
96      R=SQRT(U(I)*U(I)+V(J)*V(J)+W(K)*W(K))
97      P=U(I)-W(K)/TAN(PHI)
98      IF((ABS(P)-0.001) LT 0)P=0.001
99      Q=W(K)+U(I)/TAN(PHI)
100     F1(M)=W(K)*ATAN((V(J)*U(I))/(W(K)*R))
101     F2(M)=-P*SIN(PHI)*COS(PHI)*ATAN((V(J)*Q)/(P*R))
102     F3(M)=-P*SIN(PHI)*SIN(PHI)*ALOG(V(J)+R)
103     F4(M)=-V(J)*ALOG(U(I)+R)
104     F5(M)=V(J)*COS(PHI)*ALOG(Q*SIN(PHI)+R)
105     IJK=I+J+K
106     IF(IJK EQ 4.OR IJK EQ 6)GO TO 19
107     5 F1(M)=-F1(M)
108     F2(M)=-F2(M)
109     F3(M)=-F3(M)

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110      F4(M)=-F4(M)
111      F5(M)=-F5(M)
112      19 IF(K.EQ.1)U(I)=U(I)+H/TAN(PHI)
113      M=M+1
114      10 CONTINUE
115      DO 11 N=1,8
116      G=G+F1(N)+F2(N)+F3(N)+F4(N)+F5(N)
117      11 CONTINUE
118      C
119      C      CALCULATION OF GRAVITY VALUE
120      C
121      AG(L)=-100000.0*GC*DEN*G
122      99 CONTINUE
123      XN=XG
124      C
125      C      PRINT RESULTS
126      C
127      WRITE(LU,3)MN
128      C      WRITE(6,3)MN
129      3 FORMAT(1H1,7X,9HMODEL NO.,110)
130      WRITE(LU,202)
131      C      WRITE(6,202)
132      202 FORMAT(1H0,7X,7HSTATION,10X,13HGRAVITY VALUE)
133      DO 56 J=1,NXN
134      WRITE(LU,60)STAT(J),AG(J)
135      C      WRITE(6,60)STAT(J),AG(J)
136      60 FORMAT(1H0,5X,F10.2,5X,F10.2)
137      56 CONTINUE
138      C
139      C      PLOT AXIS
140      C
141      DIST=DX*FLOAT(NXN)/10.
142      SI2=-Z2/3.
143      CALL PLOTS(17.,10.,0)
144      CALL FACTR(0.5)
145      IF(MN.EQ.1)CALL PLOT(1.,0.5,-3)
146      CALL AXIS(0.,4.,STR1,20.5.,90.,0.,0.5)
147      CALL AXIS(0.,0.,STR2,14.3.,90.,Z2,SI2)
148      CALL AXIS(0.,3.,STR3,16.10.,0.,XG,DIST)
149      C
150      C      PLOT POINTS
151      C
152      CALL PLOT(0.,4.,-3)
153      XP=0.
154      DO 600 I=1,NXN
155      YP=AG(I)/SCM
156      CALL SYMB(XP,YP,0.1,7,0.,-1,0.1)
157      XP=XP+DX/DIST
158      600 CONTINUE
159      BETA=BETA*180./PI.
160      IF(IFIX(BETA).GT.0)GO TO 900
161      XP1=X1/DIST-XG/DIST
162      YP1=Z1/SI2
163      XP2=X2/DIST-XG/DIST
164      XP3=(X2+H/TAN(ETA))/DIST-XG/DIST

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165      XP4=(X1+H/TAN(THETA))/DIST-XG/DIST
166      CALL PLOT(0.,-1.,-3)
167      CALL PLOT(XP1,YP1,3)
168      CALL PLOT(XP2,YP1,2)
169      CALL PLOT(XP3,-3.,2)
170      CALL PLOT(XP4,-3.,2)
171      CALL PLOT(XP1,YP1,2)
172      CALL SYMB(7.,-1.5,0.1,STR11,0.,13)
173      900 THETA=THETA*180./PI
174      ETA=ETA*180./PI
175      CALL SYMB(7.,5.5,0.1,STR4,0.,16)
176      CALL SYMB(7.,5.,0.1,STR5,0.,22)
177      CALL SYMB(7.,4.7,0.1,STR6,0.,16)
178      CALL SYMB(7.,4.4,0.1,STR7,0.,16)
179      CALL SYMB(7.,4.1,0.1,STR8,0.1,16)
180      CALL SYMB(7.,3.8,0.1,STR9,0.,12)
181      CALL SYMB(7.,3.5,0.1,STR10,0.,14)
182      CALL NUMB(8.8,5.5,0.1,FLOAT(MN),0.,0)
183      CALL NUMB(8.8,5.0,0.1,DEN,0.,4)
184      CALL NUMB(8.8,4.7,0.1,Z1,0.,2)
185      CALL NUMB(8.8,4.4,0.1,ETA,0.,2)
186      CALL NUMB(8.8,4.1,0.1,THETA,0.,2)
187      CALL NUMB(8.8,3.8,0.1,YN,0.,2)
188      CALL NUMB(8.8,3.5,0.1,BETA,0.,2)
189      C
190      C      TERMINATE PLOT
191      C
192      27 CALL PLOT(0.,0.,999)
193      CALL GOPLT
194      75 WRITE(LU,20)
195      20 FORMAT(/2X,"ANY MORE CASES?")
196      READ(LU,30)MORE
197      30 FORMAT(A2)
198      IF(MORE.EQ.2HYES)1,27
199      STOP
200      END
201      END$

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