# Introduction to 3-D Mapping Techniques

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#### Why Use 3-D Mapping Techniques?

 Typical sampling plans have low sample density due to high analytical costs.



### Low Sample Density Does Not Adequately Address Heterogeneity

 In this case, a sample 18 inches deeper was significantly more contaminated.



## Discounting Heterogeneity Can Lead to an Inaccurate Conceptual Site Model

 Six more inches deeper, contamination more than doubled.

 Free product found 30 feet away.



#### An Inaccurate CSM Can Lead to Poor Decisions



• Even higher levels of contamination 2 feet down.



#### Without High Sample Density, Each Analytical Result Can Carry Too Much Decision Importance

 Clean soil found in between contaminated sample locations.



Fuel Pipeline Site, investigated by Navy PWC San Diego SCAPS, 1998

#### 3-D Mapping Techniques Provide Detailed Characterization







## Real-Time In-Place 3-D Mapping Tools Can Give More Data for the Dollar



## Using CPT Data to Field-Design a Small-Diameter Well

Before setting well:

- Collected CPT data for stratigraphy
- Collected soil samples for contaminant data
- Set temporary piezometer







### **Cone Penetrometer Test**

- Standard Cone Penetrometer (CPT) tip resistance and sleeve friction data are collected according to ASTM standards
- CPT data is analyzed by a neural net algorithm, and soil classifications are displayed in real time with the contaminant sensor data





#### Real-Time Data for Well Sampling Design





## **High Resolution Piezocone**

#### Groundwater 3-D Mapping Tool

By Mark Kram, Naval Facilities Engineering Service Center

High resolution piezocone system and dissipation software developed by Naval Facilities Engineering Service Center

## Pore Pressure Dissipation Curve at Discrete Depth



### Depth to Groundwater Calculation Using Final Dissipation Pressures





#### **Continuous Logs for Contaminants**

#### Laser Induced Fluorescence and Ribbon NAPL Sampler Response



## "Confirmation" Sampling and Small Scale Subsurface Heterogeneity

#### LIF Profiles

LIF Spectra





- LIF suggests free product
- *TPH-gas* = 953 *mg/kg*
- *TPH-diesel* = 2,920 *mg/kg*
- Fuel saturation of 6-inch sample tube = 28.9 %

#### **Petroleum Hydrocarbons** SCAPS Laser-Induced Fluorescence

- Laser Source: Ultraviolet (308 nm) Xenon Chloride Eximer laser
- Excites 2-ring and greater Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons





 LIF generally detects fuel concentrations greater than 100 ppm

## XeCl Laser Ultraviolet Light Source



#### LIF Data Interpretation Factors to Evaluate Fuel Detection by LIF

- Increase in Fluorescence
  Intensity
- Corresponding Change in Fluorescence Wavelength
- Spectral Curve Shape Consistent with Fuel
- Significant Thickness of Interval
- Spatial Location Consistent with Expected Migration Patterns
- Comparison with Sample
  Analysis





#### **Data Visualization**



This figure depicts the sum of the interpolated fluorescence in vertical columns of a 3-d interpolation -- the combined fluorescence intensity and the thickness of the fluorescence interval. The "hot spot" has a thick zone of high fluorescence.

# Elevation 10 ft (4 ft bgs)



 This and the subsequent figures are cross-sections (both horizontal and vertical) from the 3-dimensional interpolations.

## Elevation 9 ft (5 ft bgs)



• Most of the elevations were not surveyed -- approximate depths were adequate for the decisions.

# Elevation 8 ft (6 ft bgs)



# Elevation 7 ft (7 ft bgs)



# Elevation 6 ft (8 ft bgs)



# Elevation 5 ft (9 ft bgs)



# Elevation 4 ft (10 ft bgs)



# Elevation 3 ft (11 ft bgs)



# Elevation 2 ft (12 ft bgs)



# Elevation 1 ft (13 ft bgs)



# Elevation 0 ft (14 ft bgs)



# Elevation -1 ft (15 ft bgs)



# Elevation -2 ft (16 ft bgs)



# Elevation -3 ft (17 ft bgs)






# Example 2 Overall Fluorescence Intensity



## Using Fluorescence Wavelength to Distinguish Fuel Products 463 nm Wavelength Spectra (diesel)



#### 531 nm Wavelength Spectra (oil)



#### Fluorescence Intensity vs Wavelength Pushes 001-080



# Gasoline (401 - 449 nm)



# Diesel (450 - 490 nm)



# Lighter Oil (490 - 510 nm)



# Heavier Oil (510 - 550 nm)











# Fluorescence can be Misleading in Highly-Contaminated Unsaturated Sands





Blurriness is fuel smeared on probe window.

### First Indication of Saturation (Mix of Water, Fuel, and Gas Bubbles)





Window has been cleaned by sand and water.

# Fuel, Silty Water, and Gas Bubbles in Coarse Sand



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Fluorescence data is collected while probe is in motion.

# Fuel, Dirty Water, and Gas Bubbles in Coarse Sand



## Fuel and Wet Fine Sand



## Fuel and Saturated Fine Sand



# Dark Fuel Corresponding to Rise in Wavelength to ~530 nm



# GeoVIS Video Microscope Probe







Video clip of mixed DNAPL/LNAPL. The NAPL is black and globular, some with gas bubbles inside them. The water has mixed with fines and appears as the gray "background" matrix.



# Estimated Soil Porosity (Vadose Zone) from GeoVIS Images





#### Threshold

Select area within white box and calculate effective porosity (percent white vs percent black area = pores). Area to volume assuming consecutive slices.

# Vadose Zone Effective Porosity Comparison

SCAPS PUSH	Photomicrograph ELEVATION (Feet, MSL)	DIGITAL EFFECTIVE POROSITY (%)	6-INCH AVERAGE	LABORATORY EFFECTIVE POROSITY (%) (API RP40)	
PRW-5-9	6.06	45.7		-	
	5.26	47.9			
	4.96	39.2	43.8	45.0	
	4.76	44.2			
	4.46	47.0			
	3.96	42.7		_	
	3.36	46.1		-	
	3.06	39.7		-	
	2.86	45.4		-	
	2.56	50.2		_	
	AVERAGE	44.8			
PRW-6-5	5.70	47.6			
	5.60	44.5	50.5	<b>49.8</b>	
	5.10	59.4			
	4.90	66.1		-	
	4.70	47.9		_	
	4.20	40.0		_	
	3.90	27.2		-	
	2.90	57.9		-	
	AVERAGE	48.8			

# **NAPL Saturation Processing**



## **NAPL Saturation Results**

Water Saturation  $(S_w) =$ ("Wet" Area - Fuel Area) / N<sub>e</sub> = (36.15-26.68)/36.15 = **26.2%** 

Fuel Saturation  $(S_o) =$ Fuel Area / N<sub>e</sub> = 26.68/36.15 = **73.8%** 

		<u>Fuel</u>		
<u>Fuel</u> <u>Area</u>	<u>Effective</u> Porosity	<u>Fuel</u> Saturation	 <u>Depth (ft bgs)</u>	
19.2%	32.2%	59.6%	14.0 feet	
11.3%	23.4%	48.3%	14.4 feet	
21.5%	31.1%	69.1%	16.4 feet	
8.9%	22.0%	40.5%	16.7 feet	
8.7%	27.9%	31.2%	17.0 feet	

### Dissolved Volatile Organic Compounds Using Membrane Interface Probe and Direct Sample Ion Trap Mass Spectrometry



# Geoprobe® Systems Membrane Interface Probe (MIP)



- An inert ultrapure helium carrier gas is sent down to the probe, sweeps behind the membrane, and returns to the surface to be analyzed.
- A temperature controller allows the membrane to be heated, which may optimize membrane performance.
- When the membrane is heated, VOCs advect away from the membrane. However, some of the VOCs pass through the membrane and are brought to the surface with the carrier gas to be analyzed.
- SCAPS analyzes the gas stream with a Direct Sample Ion Trap Mass Spectometer (DSITMS)

## **Direct Sampling Ion Trap Mass Spectrometer**

- Creates gas-phase ions
- Separates the ions based on mass-to-charge ratio
- Measures the quantity of ions of each mass-to-charge ratio
  - Has a large responsive range can take high levels of contaminants without overloading the system
  - Is fast, with minimal sample preparation. 3 minutes or so for an analysis.
  - Is a durable machine that can be deployed in the field.
- EPA Method 8265





## Calibrating the system.

- Samples of water containing a known concentration of contaminant are added to sand in a calibration jig and measured with the MIP/DSITMS.
- The results are used to prepare a calibration curve.





## Discovering the True Source and Extent of a Plume

#### Traditional Phased Investigations, 1991 – 1998

#### Initial estimate of JP-5 and Stoddard Solvent free product plumes.

Based on wells installed during investigations in 1991 and 1993.

True nature and extent of contamination still unknown.

# Product plume discovered to be larger than initial estimates after subsequent investigation.

Twenty product recovery wells plus additional monitoring wells were installed.

TCE (Trichloroethylene) detected during analysis of product.

True nature and extent of contamination still unknown.

# Plume of TCE dissolved in groundwater based on monitoring well sampling.

Vertical and horizontal characterization is incomplete.







## Dynamic Investigations, 1998 - 2000

# SCAPS Hydrosparge with DSITMS investigation in Summer of 1998.

Validation testing of a sensor used before the development of the MIP

Installation of temporary direct-push wells was necessary. Real time sensor was inserted into the well.

Contamination discovered deeper that previous data suggested.

True extent of contamination still unknown.

#### SCAPS MIP with DSITMS investigation in Summer of 1999.

Validation testing of MIP/DSITMS

- 14 production days
- 207 measurements
- 40 Locations
- Over 2000 feet pushed.

Detected a second source downgradient.

#### SCAPS MIP with DSITMS investigation in Spring 2000.

- Investigation completed
- 13 production days
- 485 measurements
- 29 locations
- Over 1900 feet pushed





# 10' elevation, 0' bgs



Push MIP 61 is approximately 8' higher than the surrounding push locations. The model reflects the shallow detection at this location.

Note that this plume cannot physically extend to the north and east at this elevation as suggested by the model because this view depicts ground surface elevation at these areas.

# 5' elevation, 5' bgs



# 0' elevation, 10' bgs



# -5' elevation, 15' bgs



# -10' elevation, 20' bgs


#### -15' elevation, 25' bgs



## -20' elevation, 30' bgs



## -25' elevation, 35' bgs



# -30' elevation, 40' bgs



## -35' elevation, 45' bgs



# -40' elevation, 50' bgs



# -45' elevation, 55' bgs



#### -50' elevation, 60' bgs



#### -55' elevation, 65' bgs



#### -60' elevation, 70' bgs



#### -65' elevation, 75' bgs



# Are 3-D Mapping Tools Useful if the Site is "Clean"?











#### 3-D Mapping Tools Put Lab Results into Context



#### 3-D Mapping Tools Help Build Robust Conceptual Site Models, Leading to Better Decisions

