



BASIC PROCESSING OF SEISMIC DATA COURSE OUTLINE

- ❖ **Introduction**
- ❖ **Overview**
 - Review of basic seismic principles
 - Sampling the wavefield
 - Aliasing in time and space
 - Bandwidth, phase and resolution
 - Energy loss mechanisms
 - 3D basics
 - Acquisition tools and techniques
 - Land versus Marine
 - Recent developments
- ❖ **Modeling**
 - Synthetic seismograms
 - Ray tracing
 - Full Wave Equation models
 - Acoustic
 - Elastic
 - Anisotropic
- ❖ **Review of some shot records**
 - What is signal?
 - What is Noise?
 - Random, time variant
 - Source variant
 - Receiver variant
 - Offset variant (source generated)
 - Multiples
 - Marine
 - Land
 - Trapped Mode
 - Guided waves
- ❖ **First Breaks and LVL**
 - Direct waves
 - Refractors
 - LVL and datum corrections
 - Detailed refraction surveys
 - Uphole surveys
 - Survey tolerances
- ❖ **CDP Method**
 - Basic principles
 - Stacking charts
 - Bent line processing and binning
 - Stack array
 - Gaps, skids and offsets
- ❖ **Gain Recovery**
 - Exponential
 - AGC
 - Surface consistent
 - AVO considerations
- ❖ **Deconvolution**
 - Convolutional model
 - Basic deconvolution
 - Prewhitening
 - Operator length
 - Surface Consistent
 - AVO considerations
- ❖ **Velocity Analysis**
 - NMO
 - Semblance
 - Common offset stacks
 - Common velocity stacks
 - Stretch mute
 - Multiples
 - High order moveout
 - Anisotropy and eta terms
 - AVO considerations
- ❖ **Statics**
 - Surface consistent
 - Iteration
 - Non-surface consistent
 - Correlation Trim statics
- ❖ **Filtering and Noise Suppression**
 - Temporal
 - Spatial
 - Geophone arrays as spatial anti-alias filters
 - F-K filtering
 - Filtering of well sampled data
 - Problems of filtering sparsely sampled data
 - Mild filtering to pass all signal
 - Harsh filtering to attenuate all noise
 - FX Prediction and Projection
 - Karhunen-Loeve (Eigen filtering)
 - AVO friendly versus non-friendly methods
- ❖ **Migration**
 - Basic Principles and Kirchhoff methods
 - Migration velocities
 - Aperture
 - FK (Stolt)
 - Finite Difference
 - Post-Stack
 - Pre-stack Time
 - Migration to gathers
 - Migration to non-natural bins
 - Depth Imaging
- ❖ **Other considerations**
 - Spectral Balancing
 - Inversion
 - AVO applications
 - AVA applications
 - Converted waves
 - VSPs
- ❖ **Case Histories**
 - 3D Seismic and Horizontal Drilling
 - 3D Seismic Out of Plane Resolution
 - Unnecessary dry holes
 - How little we know about geology