

# Error Model Maintenance Group Update

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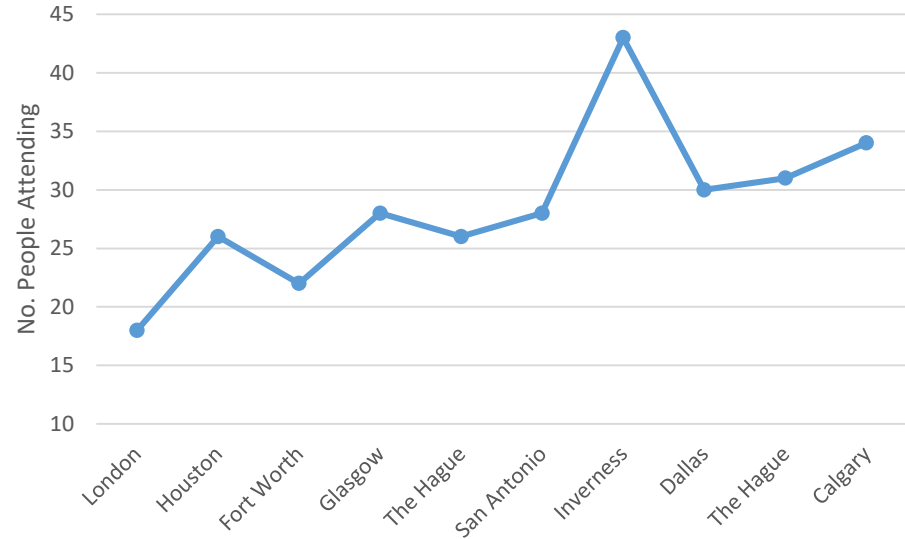
# Speaker Bio



- Andy McGregor
  - Technical Director, H&P Technologies UK.
  - 25 years in navigation and positioning
  - 12 years in wellbore survey
  - Previously with Tech21, Weatherford, AJC
  - Inverness, Scotland
  - Specialised in survey management, algorithms, error modeling,

# Attendance

- 34 attendees
- 10<sup>th</sup> meeting as chair
- 83 different people
  
- Steady growth
- 3 at all 10 meetings



# Revision 5 – Previous Decisions

- Agreed to add XCL Terms into Model
- Agreed to expand Geomagnetic Terms for Correlation
- Tentatively agreed Misalignment and Sag Changes
  - Working group to consider Pathcontrol alternative
  - Concern about random misalignments ‘vanishing’ for high rate data

# XCL Models

- Proposed formulae for XCL
- $XCL_h = \sigma_{xclh} (D - D_{k-1}) \max(\text{abs}(I_k - I_{k-1}), T(D - D_{k-1}))$
- $XCL_a = \sigma_{xcll} (D - D_{k-1}) \max(\text{abs}(A_k - A_{k-1}), T(D - D_{k-1}) / \sin I_k)$
- $SAG = \sigma_{sag} (\sin I_k)^{0.25}$
- Misalignments XYM3 & XYM4
  - Magnitude goes from  $0.1^\circ$  to  $0.3^\circ$
  - Propagation random
  - Minimum survey interval equation

# DECG

Description	Code	Prop	WtFn	IGRF WMM	Standard Models	High Def Models	IFR1	IFR2
MWD: Declination - Global	DECG	G	AZ	0.43	0.36	0.3	0.15	0.15
MWD: Declination Uncorrelated Errors	DEC-U	W	AZ	0.29	0.16	0.16	0.11	0.11
MWD: Declination Crustal Commission HD Models	DEC-CH	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-OS	G	AZ	0.24	0.24			
MWD: Declination Crustal Omission HD Models	DEC-OH	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

# Rev 5 - Actions

- Resolve Misalignment
  - Tele-con go with  $\sin(I)^{0.25}$
  - Sag guidance note
- Further Test Cases
  - High rate and Irregular
- Documentation

# High Rate Data

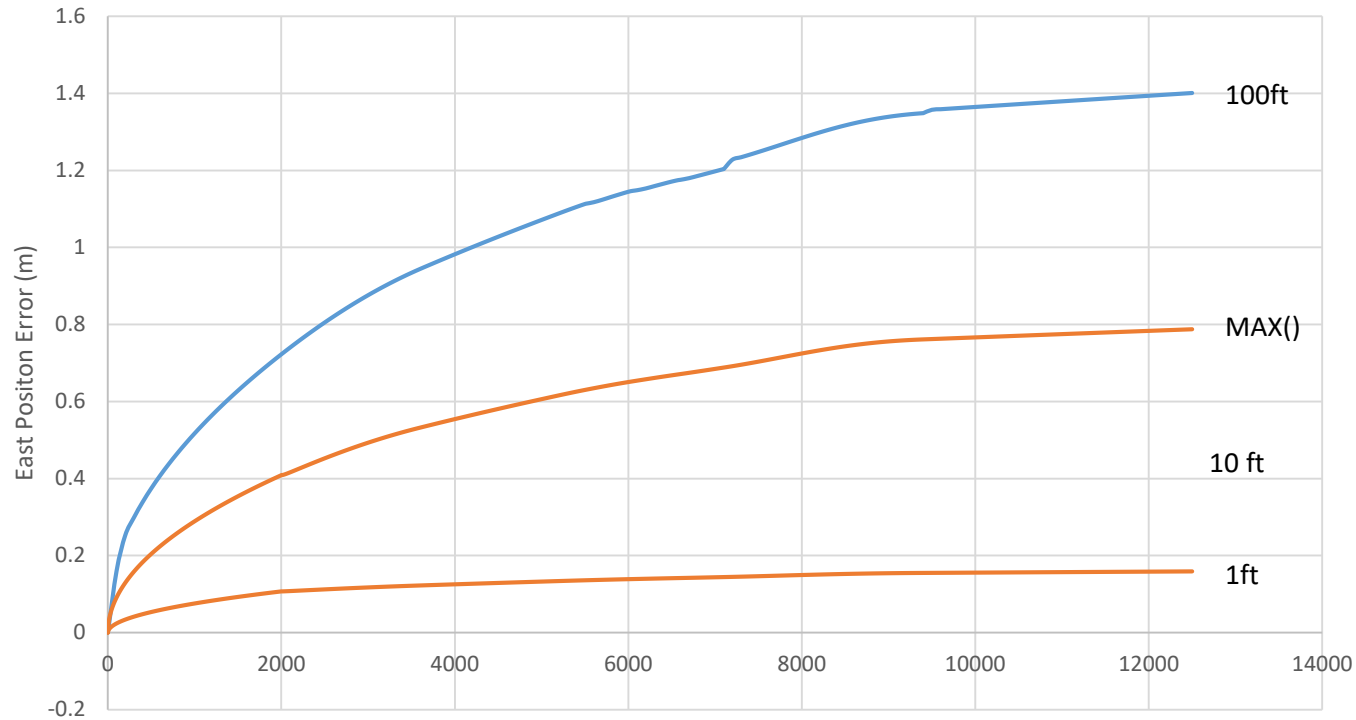
- Concern that effect of random misalignments would very quickly 'vanish'
- Jerry suggested modification to weighting function.
- Modify current  $w_{34}$  to

$$\text{MAX}[1, \text{sqrt}(10 / \text{dMd})] * w_{34}$$

Where  $\text{dMd} = 10\text{m}$

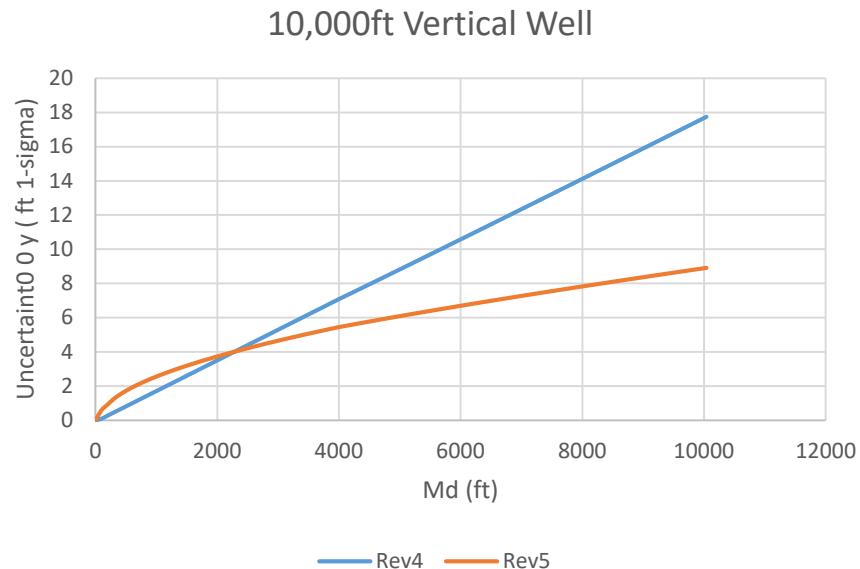


# XYM4L with dMin=10m



# Effect of Rev5 – Vertical Well

- For a 10,000ft vertical well
  - Rev4 gives 18ft ellipse at TD
  - Rev5 gives 9ft ellipse at TD
  - Rev5 larger to 2,250ft
- When planning and assuming vertical, some of buffer from error model is gone
- Increase Sm in collision avoidance rule??



# Documentation

- Note on XCL Models – **DONE**
- Note on Correlated Error Sources – **DONE-Draft**
- Create release note identifying changes – **DONE-Draft**
- Update error model definition document – **DRAFT 80%**
- Update spreadsheet defining 8 ISCWSA MWD models – **MWD Done**
- Update ISCWSA example calculation spreadsheets - **DONE**
- Place on website

# OWSG Models

- Set of models have filled a gap
- Increasingly accepted and used by industry
- Details used to be on [copsegrove.com](http://copsegrove.com)
- Unavailable for several months
- OWSG less active than previously

# Considerations

- 100 models in Set A & Set B
  - Maintenance and upgrade is a significant task
  - Particularly rev5 release since all models affected
  - Funded task?
- Place Set A & Set B OWSG spreadsheets and diagnostics on ISCWSA.net
  - Suitable supporting documentation
- Separate page for links to contractor models
  - Appropriate disclaimers
  - All contractor models off-site

# Parent Side-track TieOns

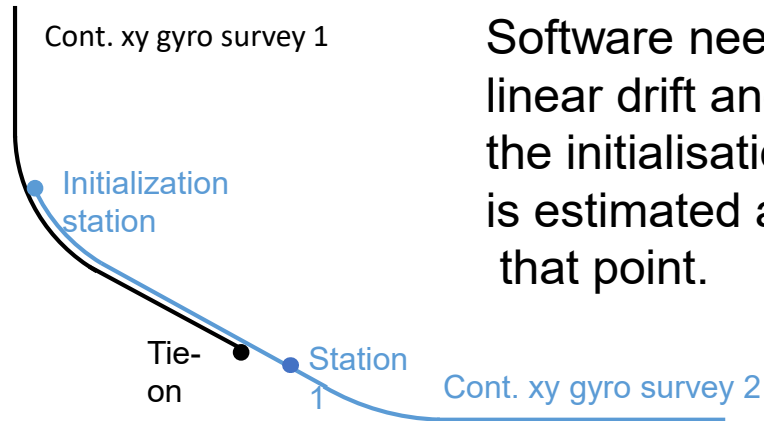
- No survey point at side-track
  - Evaluate error model as normal?
  - Insert interpolated point

# Gyro Model Consistency

- Long standing action to consider gyro test cases
- Agreement of diagnostics less tight
- Details of initialisation/re-initialisation can be complex
- Number of pitfalls, not clearly highlighted
- Update to Error Model Definition Document
  - Review
  
- New gyros needing new modelling?

# Propagation of Cont. Gyro Errors for Tie-Ons at Higher Inclination than the Init. Inclination

- Not covered in the '*Definition of the ISCWSA Error Model*' document.
- Is it handled correctly in commercial software?



Software needs to 'understand' that the azimuth uncertainty linear drift and random walk must be accumulated all the way from the initialisation point to Station 1. Also that the initialization error is estimated at the initialisation station, and stays constant from that point.



# BGGM2019 error web service

- Total errors output by BGGM software
- Split into G(lobal) and R(andom) terms and label as DEC, DBH (0), MDI and MFI for use with ISCWSA error model
- Available as a web service, with web browser point-and-click map access at [geomag.bgs.ac.uk/bggm.html](http://geomag.bgs.ac.uk/bggm.html)

