

## LOG/MATE ASSISTANT

### THE INTEGRATION OF AN EXPERT SYSTEM IN A LOG ANALYSIS DOMAIN

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#### ABSTRACT

This paper details the interactive use of an expert system for log analysis. The system LOG/MATE ASSISTANT is based on a fourth generation log analysis package LOG/MATE ESP.

Each of the six functions of LOG/MATE ASSISTANT:

1. database
2. algorithm processor
3. interactive graphics
4. report generator
5. data communications
6. inference engine (expert system)

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are described in general. The results of the use of each function are also detailed.

The LOG/MATE ASSISTANT expert system is completely interactive and totally data driven. The user has complete control from the input screens to the reports that are generated. Additionally the user can describe the log analysis problem in terms of functions, frames, rules, pre-conditions, post conditions and inheritance.

We have implemented a frame based organization of functions to reason about the log analysis problem. We distinguish between abstract functions, reasoned about by name, and algorithms, or syntatic representations for computing a function. While we reason about abstract functions, we execute algorithms to produce values to assist in the reasoning process for log analysis.

The overall system is designed to assist anyone from a novice to petrophysics expert by providing the expertise of a seasoned petrophysicist in the domain of log analysis.

## INTRODUCTION

The goal of the LOG/MATE ASSISTANT project was to develop a knowledge-based system capability for the existing LOG/MATE ESP log analysis package. Such programs are often called expert systems. Most systems of this nature do not achieve the capabilities of a true domain expert, so the term knowledge-based system is more appropriate and more descriptive. We have achieved a practical knowledge based system for the building of expert domains. The first domain to be implemented is the log analysis from LOG/MATE ESP using the knowledge of a petrophysics expert to resolve the many intricacies of well log analysis.

K This involved creating and integrating an inference engine to control the functionality of the LOG/MATE ESP program, and to act as an assistant or advisor to the user. It is an intelligent, knowledge-based, interface between the user and the existing complex program. The following six functions comprise the expert system building tool (ESBT) that was developed during the project:

1. database and file manager
2. compute (algorithm processor)
3. interactive colour graphics
4. report generator
5. data communications
6. inference engine (expert system)

This paper has two parts. The first describes the expert system building tool (ESBT). The second the expert system LOG/MATE ASSISTANT.

The expert solution to the log analysis problem is superimposed on the data base. As the system is completely generic it has no knowledge of the log analysis domain. All of the structure of the log analysis domain is contained in the database and can be interactively modified or revised. This means that a user can easily modify the system to accomodate a new tool or technique by simply changing part of the information contained in the database. Currently LOG/MATE ASSISTANT has approximately 400 frames and 500 algorithms.

The ESBT System Organization and the Expert System are described in the body of this paper.

## SYSTEM ORGANIZATION

The functional organization of the system is shown in FIGURE 1 and is made up of the functions indicated above. Each of the six functions is described briefly in the following paragraphs:

### DATABASE

The database is an entity set relational database that allows the user to interactively define his data base. This may be as series of relations or as a linked list or any combination thereof. It is in general similar to all other databases in that it contains a series of records. The names of records of a common type are listed in a catalogue.

Various records are attached or related to each other. The attachments allow very rapid searches to be made by the program for required data, and reduce processing time greatly. The database and the attachments along with the relations are defined when the knowledge system is designed. Records can also be attached or detached by the user at a later time by use of the data file manager. K

Catalogues and records can be tiered. Access to lower level catalogues and records is obtained by working through the levels until the desired layer is reached. It is the attachments that create the structure to the database. The structure can be unique for a well, or pervade the whole system. The structure can be changed at any time by the user.

Depending upon the amount of disk space available any number of data bases may be available to the user. Information may be shared between databases.

Structured query language (SQL) is partially implemented at this time. A future release of the program will contain an ANSI standard set of SQL.

### INTERACTIVE COLOUR GRAPHICS

The interactive colour graphics are controlled by the database and as such allow the user to define any type of two dimensional chart. In the case of LOG/MATE ASSISTANT the database has been set to give many types of depth plot or crossplot (with as many tracks as may be desired or required). The graphics area may contain a combination of any desired plot types.

The size of the graphic area is larger than the the screen on the computer. This allows the user to prepare graphs and charts larger than the size of the CRT. The chart or graph may be viewed by scrolling the desired area or by zooming so that the whole chart is visible in the CRT screen area.

The ESBT allows the user to use on screen editing of data. The cursor or mouse may be used to shift, rescale, redraw, or delete data and traces. As the graphics section has been implemented using the graphical kernel system (GKS) the resulting chart may be directed to any class of output device. Examples are shown in Figures 2a and 2b.

### MATHEMATICAL PROCESSING

**K** The basic element of mathematical processing is the algorithm. This is handled by the algorithm processor. Algorithms are lexically analysed, parsed, compiled and placed in the database for use when the program or inference engine require data or a computation. The algorithm processor is an optimizing vector processing token threaded language.

A series of algorithms are selected either by the user or by the expert system to form a routine. These algorithms are then processed in a sequential fashion. An algorithm might be compared to a subroutine or a function in standard programming. A series of routines form a module that will analyse a problem. In the case of log analysis the routines form a solution to the analysis of a well based on the information available or calculated from information contained in the database.

A computation consists of a table of zone depths, the appropriate routine for each zone, and its associated parameter or constants file. It acts like a miniature runstream to control the calculations of many zones in sequence. Algorithms for the expert system LOG/MATE ASSISTANT are contained in the standard database.

Single algorithms or complete routines may be run interactively under user control, or under runstream control by the data manager. An example of an algorithm is shown in Figure 3, and a sample of a routine is shown in Figure 4.

### REPORT GENERATOR

Tabular and text reports can be generated from data in the database through user defined formats. Standard reports for log analysis are contained in the database. A standard log analysis report, for example, can gather the correct pool, project, well name, and hydrocarbon volume summary and place them in correct context within the body of a report.

Reports can be generated from raw data, calculated data, or text.

The report formats are held in records contained in the database, along with all the other data and plot formats.

The report generator language lets the user specify page format - placement of headers, footers, titles, and text on the page. Numerous processing commands can be embedded in reports to perform mathematical functions or to extract data elements from the database. In the case of LOG/MATE ASSISTANT standard reports are delivered with the database.

#### DATA COMUNICATIONS

The data communication function relates to moving data into and out of the system, and offers extensive copy, backup, archive and restore facilities.

The system supports a LAN environment for multi user environment using IEEE-488 (HP-IB), IEEE-403 (ETHERNET), or RS-232 under UNIX.

Data communications to remote computers is available via RS-232 and IEEE-403. Currently an inverse report generator is in the process of development to describe and transfer data in foreign computer files to the ESBT data base. At present the system supports methods of translating Schlumberger LIS and Dresser BIT tapes. The report generator can also be used to prepare ASCII files for standard type transmission to other remote computers.

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#### INFERENCE ENGINE

The inference engine is a frame based organization of functions that reasons about behaviour and generates algorithms for new functions. The engine distinguishes between abstract functions, reasoned about by name, and algorithms, or syntatic representations of methodologies for computing a function. While the engine reasons about abstract functions, it must execute some algorithms in order to produce values to assist in the reasoning process.

A frame is the basis of the inferencing technique and is contained in the database. A sample frame is shown in FIGURE 5. This indicates that a frame is made up of:

1. a name (function) to be reasoned about.
2. parameters that are required by the function
3. results of the reasoning process
4. pre-conditions required before the function can be reasoned about or calculated.
5. post conditions that are to be resolved to a primitive if the result of the reasoning process is determined to be true.
6. the type of logic to be used in evaluating the body of the function. This may be an and, or, any, all or primitive as applied to the functions described in the body of the frame.
7. the body of the frame that contains one or more names of other frames or names of functions that are to be evaluated.

The inference engine recursively calls the frames and processes each part of the frame. Each frame may have sub frames that recursively traverse other frames. This is a network traversal algorithm and is specific to the knowledge representation and domain of functions. Other systems talk of forward or backward chaining. This system traverses the knowledge base in any direction depending upon the information available and the status of the functions reasoned about.

FIGURE 6 shows an example of the network of functions and their relationships to each other and to the domain. This indicates that to solve the log analysis problem the inference engine must resolve the functions of volume of shale, porosity, saturation and rock lithology. To do this it must first resolve whether to compute VSH from the sp or from the gamma ray log. To do this it must first resolve whether the sp log exists or does not exist. To determine this it simply looks at the data base and resolves the problem. It can therefore retrace its logic and resolve the compound functions until all are resolved to primitives. **K** Backtracking through the successful resolutions builds up the determined algorithm.

Knowledge captured in frames is inherited implicitly when a precondition is executed. The inheritance features of class structures (explicit inheritance) is not implemented at this time.

An explanation facility is part of the inference engine. This facility provides the user with a process to ask the expert why a particular routine was selected. This is to allow the user to challenge or understand the reasoning process. By questioning the reasoning process a novice may better understand or gain insight into the domain. The expert system then becomes a teacher to the novice or allows another expert to revise or add into the expert system his expertise.

#### THE EXPERT SYSTEM

While running LOG/MATE ASSISTANT the user has the option to perform log analysis with the suggestions made by the expert system. The expert system indicates algorithms to be executed by LOG/MATE ASSISTANT corresponding to four computations: volume of shale, porosity, water saturation, and lithology. The feasibility of an algorithm for any calculation is determined by the evaluation of associated parameters, preconditions, type, postconditions, and results. From this the expert system recommends a list of algorithms for computation and a list of parameter assigning methods to be executed by LOG/MATE ASSISTANT to complete the analysis.

## WELL INFORMATION

The expert system takes into account the following information that may be present in the database or determined by log response evaluation regarding a particular well:

Logs present:        gamma ray  
                      spectral gamma ray curve  
                          uranium curve  
                          thorium curve  
                          potassium curve  
                      SP  
                      resistivity  
                      density  
                      density porosity  
                      neutron  
                      neutron porosity  
                      sonic  
                      sonic porosity  
                      TDT  
                      dielectric  
                      PED  
                      core porosity

Hole condition:     based on types of logs used  
                          correction curves from logs  
                          caliper and bit sizes

Lithology:            shale  
                          sandstone  
                          limestone  
                          dolomite

Trace elements:     uranium  
                          pyrite  
                          feldspar

Formation fluids:   fresh water  
                          salt water  
                          gas  
                          oil

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## RULE CONTENT

The rules of the expert system can be divided into two groups: property assessment and algorithm assessment.

In the first phase, property assessment, the expert system attempts an initial determination of lithology, trace elements, and formation fluids present.

In this initial attempt lithology is determined by the response evaluation of the gamma ray log and the results of a Hingle plot. Trace elements are detected by examining the gamma ray and uranium, thorium and potassium curves. Formation fluid is determined through the detection of crossover or approaching crossover of the density-neutron porosity combination along with fluctuations in the resistivity and gamma ray log, and deflections in the SP log. Once a property is determined the result is asserted, and that result will be used as a precondition in algorithm assessment.

In assessing algorithms for computation, the expert system first checks the availability of parameter assigning methods for all parameters associated with an algorithm. Preconditions are composed of logs present, hole condition requirements, lithologies, trace elements, and formation fluids allowed, the evaluation of particular log responses, correctional algorithms, and required results from previously assessed algorithms. Frame type is then considered, which is a control mechanism for frame accessibility. Finally, postconditional algorithms, primarily correctional algorithms, must be successfully executed. Should parameter methods be available and all preconditions and postconditions completed, that algorithm within the body is determined to be feasible. Hence, results are asserted and assessment continues.

The expert system considers all volume of shale algorithms for computation (corresponding to type "AND"). This consideration is in contrast to porosity, water saturation, and lithology computation algorithms, where the first feasible method is selected (type "OR"), without any further assessments (these methods are detailed in the APPENDIX).

The final suggestions as recommended by the expert are a collection of volume of shale, porosity, water saturation, and lithology computational algorithms, along with the associated parameter assigning methods, and any further postconditional algorithms associated with the algorithms selected.



## RULE REPRESENTATION

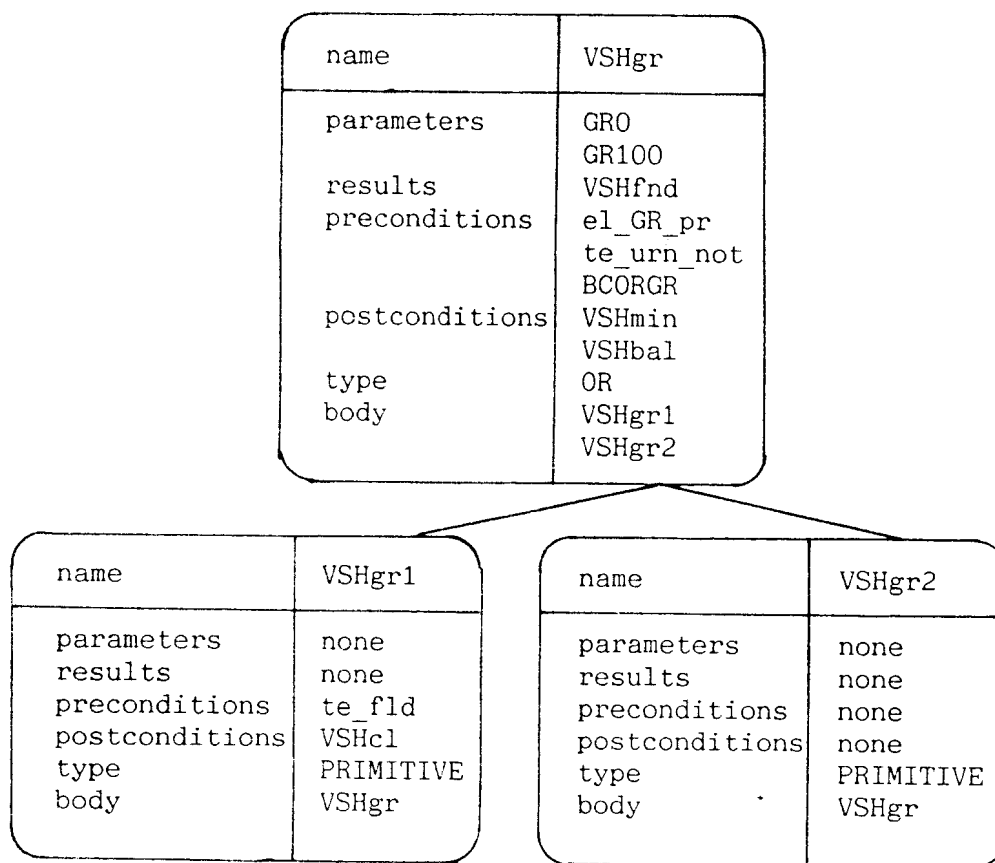
The expert system is frame based. At present LOG/MATE ASSISTANT consists of approximately 400 frames. The frames are composed of the following attributes:

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name
parameters
results
preconditions
postconditions
type
body
    
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The appendix shows in tabular form all rules for assessing lithology and computational algorithms (in familiar form for the reader). It also includes the LOG/MATE ASSISTANT mnemonics for algorithms, associated parameters, and parameter assigning methods. For example, a method for calculating the volume of shale is represented in three frames with attributes values of:

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The meaning of the preceding frames are expressed more simply as:

"the feasibility of the algorithm for determining the volume of shale using the gamma ray method is assessed in the following manner:

K if the appropriate parameter assigning methods are available for the parameters GRO and GR100, the gamma ray log is present in the data base and reliable according to hole condition requirements (el\_GR\_pr), and the trace element uranium is not present from evaluating log responses (te\_urn\_not), and borehole correction (BCORGR) is successfully evaluated there are two options available (as indicated in the body of the frame) VSHgr1 or VSHgr2. If the trace element feldspar is also present (te\_fld) the first option will be selected, otherwise it will be the alternative. Postconditions of the chosen option are then evaluated (in the example this would pertain only to the first option which is a non-linear correction (VSHcl). If successful, the postconditions and volume of shale minimum (VSHmin) and balance (VSHbal) are evaluated and must also prove successful. The result (VSHfnd) is asserted and the calculated volume of shale may be used in any future calculations. Hence, the assessment of this algorithm is complete."

#### ZONATION

A zone is defined by a gross change in bulk volume, lithology and/or formation fluid. Zonation is used to distinguish stratigraphically unique units of rock in a formation.

Since a zone of interest in a particular well is usually known by the log analyst or is documented in a geological report, zonation is at the discretion of the user. Property and algorithm assessments will then be performed incrementally (as chosen by the user) within that zone.

LOG/MATE ASSISTANT does contain two algorithms for zonation: a classification algorithm, and a cluster analysis. The first involves classifying each response on the available logs as high or low. Lithology is then determined from eight combinations of shale, sandstone, limestone, dolomite, and anhydrite. The second approach is stratigraphically constrained. Intervals of similar characteristics are identified from a variety of logs. The user then states the number of zones desired.

## CERTAINTY FACTORS

Every precondition to the use of an algorithm has a certainty factor attached. These factors then determine the most to the least appropriate method to use in any calculation. Note that a particular precondition, depending on the context in which it is used, can have a varying effect, hence a variance in weighting.

## ITERATION

An iterative routine achieves a result by performing a series of operations until some specified condition is met. If an inconsistency is detected in the final results of LOG/MATE ASSISTANT it is usually due to an incorrect initial assessment of lithology by the expert system. According to the lithological assessment of the Hingle plot, LOG/MATE ASSISTANT chooses a model and solves the equation of that model. At the conclusion of the investigation the results can be evaluated as correct or incorrect. If incorrect then a new model can be ascertained and evaluated. This process of modification and re-evaluation is repeated at every increment within the zone of interest until reasonable and/or desired results are obtained.

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## CONCLUSION

A computer system has been developed for building expert systems. The first system to be implemented is in the domain of log analysis and the expert system is known as LOG/MATE ASSISTANT. This expert system is currently made up of 400 frames and 500 algorithms.

Frames and algorithms may be entered into the database on line at the discretion of a knowledgeable user. This allows the user to add knowledge, or to install the algorithms for new logging devices as they become available. Area specific information may also be inserted into the data base for inferencing purposes.

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# Structure of Log/Mate Assistant

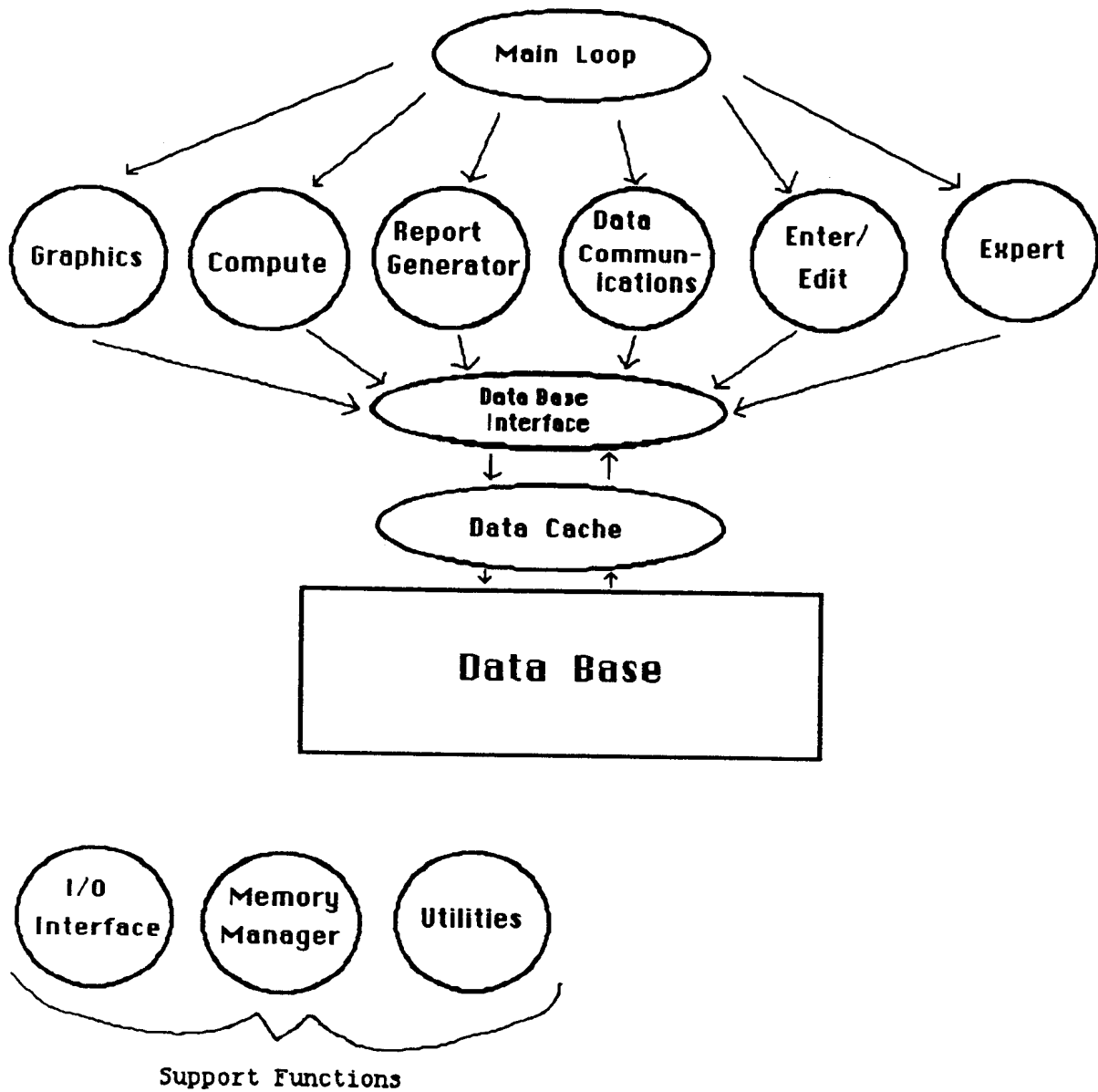


Figure 1.

The structure of Log/Mate Assistant consists of six main modules, a data base, and support functions.

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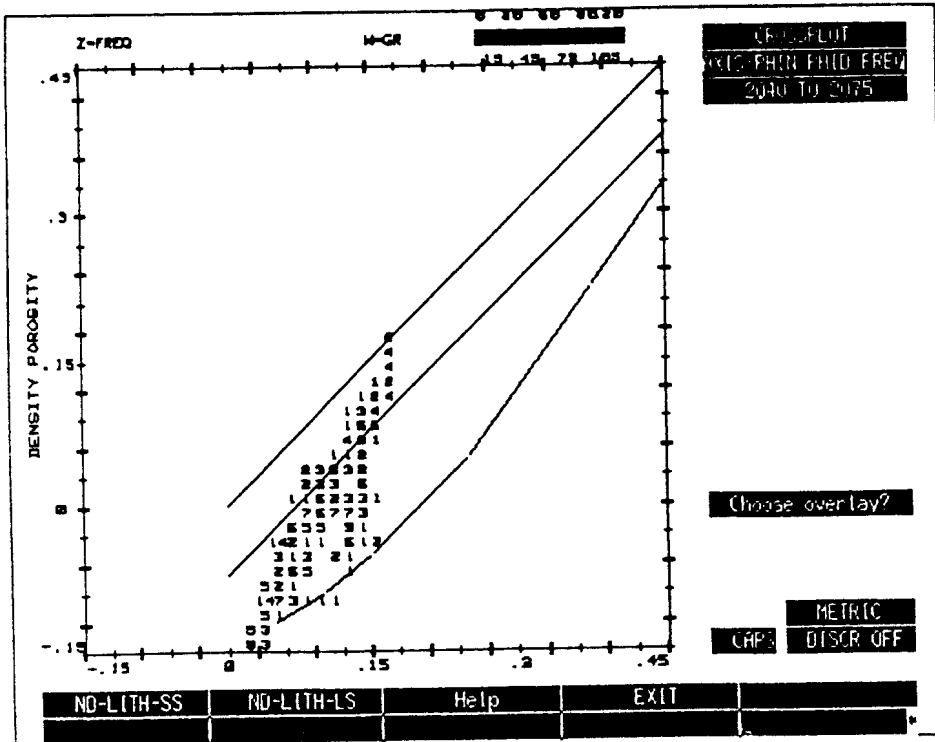


Figure 2a.

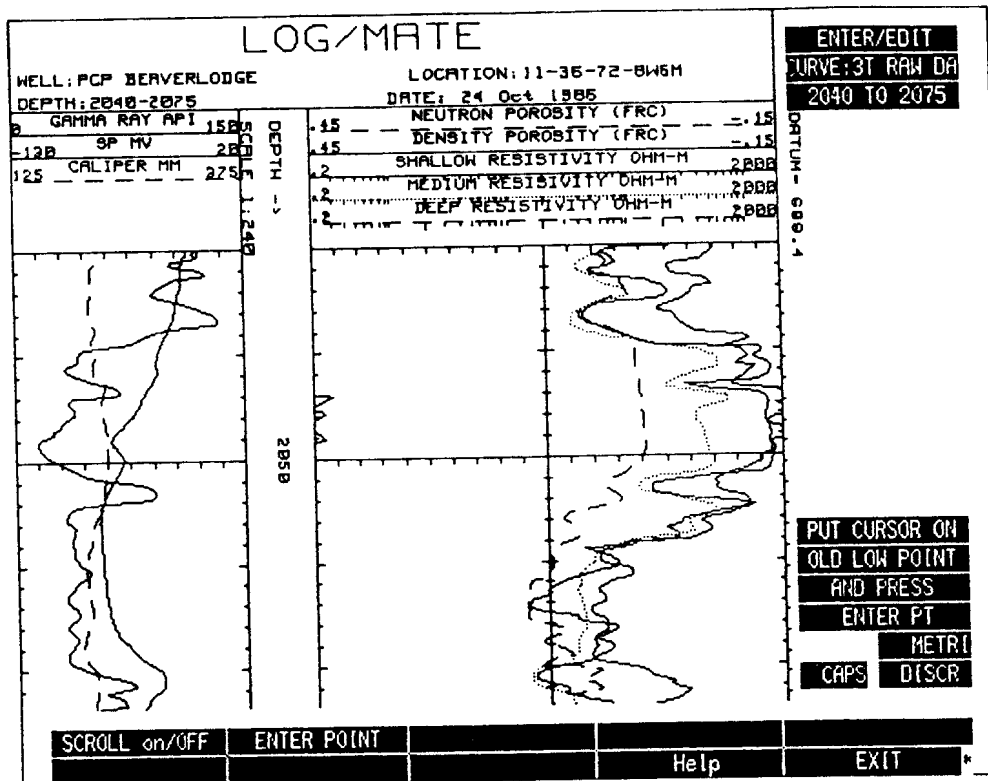


Figure 2b.

FIGURE 3 - ALGORITHM : SW<sub>bv</sub>w

ALGORITHM

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PHIibvw = PHIibvw/100 ! ALGORITHM TO CALCULATE SW BY BULK VOLUME WATER METHOD
PHIebvw = PHIebvw/100 ! NOTE : POROSITIES MUST COME FROM PHIibvw ALGORITHM
VSH = VSH/100
CONST1 = 100(100-PHIDDC)*(100-PHINSH)/(100-PHIDSH) ! PHINDC
CONST2 = ((CONST1*PHIDSH-PHIDDC*PHINSH)/(CONST1-PHIDDC))/100 ! BVWSH
CONST3 = (CONST2*M)*RSH/A ! RWSH
IF PHIibvw>0.02 ! STOPS THOSE NASTY DIVIDE BY ZERO THINGS K
RESULT2 = VSH*CONST2/PHIibvw ! BVW
RESULT3 = A*RWFT*CONST3/(PHIibvw*M)/(CONST3-RESULT2*(RWFT-CONST3)) ! RO
RESULT3 = MAX(RESULT3,0.1)
RESULT4 = (RESULT3/RESDc2)^(1/N)
ELSE ! ELSE WE HAVE NO POROSITY SO DON'T SWEAT SW
RESULT4 = 1 ! JUST CALL IT 100% AND LET IT GO AT THAT
END IF
IF PHIebvw>0.02 ! SAME STORY ON THE ZERO'S
RESULT3 = (PHIibvw/PHIebvw)*(RESULT4-RESULT2)
ELSE
RESULT3 = 1
END IF
PHIebvw = PHIebvw*100
PHIibvw = PHIibvw*100
VSH = VSH*100
IF ?TRACE
TRACEsw = 4 ! 4 IS BULK VOL WAT IN WATER SAT CODE TABLE
END IF
SWibvw = 100*RESULT4
SWEibvw = 100*RESULT3

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**FIGURE 4 - ROUTINES : KEN'S HALFWAY**

	<u>ALGORITHM NAME</u>	<u>PUT RESULT IN</u>
K	VSHgr	VSH
	VSHbal	
	PHINc	PHI
	PHIbal	PHINc
	PHIDc	
	PHIxcl	PHI
	PHIbal	
	SXOs	SW
	SWsmth	SXO
	SWs	SW
	SWsmth	
	RHOma	
	PHIsec	
	MNIith	
	VROCK3mn	
	DCAL	
	PERMp	PERM
	!PHIxS	



# Result of Function Expert System

The expert system recommends the computation:

histo\_K0  
histo\_K100  
VSHpot  
vsh\_min  
vsh\_bal  
const\_RHOMA  
RHOW\_PhicoreDensxplot  
PHIDSH\_PhinPhidxplot  
PHINSH\_PhinPhidxplot  
PHIxss  
const\_PHIMAX  
PHIba1  
const\_DNTRIG  
const\_DTTRIG  
const\_GRTRIG  
const\_NTTRIG  
const\_RTTRIG  
const\_CTRIG  
coal\_trig  
const\_ATRIG  
anhy\_trig  
const\_GTRIG  
gyp\_trig  
const\_STRIG  
salt\_trig  
A\_PhicoreFFxplot  
const\_RHOMA  
head\_FT  
RWatFT\_from\_PW  
SWssat\_balsat\_smooth  
PHIDSH\_PhinPhidxplot  
RHOMA  
DELTSH\_DeltPhidxplot  
DELTW\_DeltPhicorexplot  
DELTma  
VROCK2mid

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Figure 4a.

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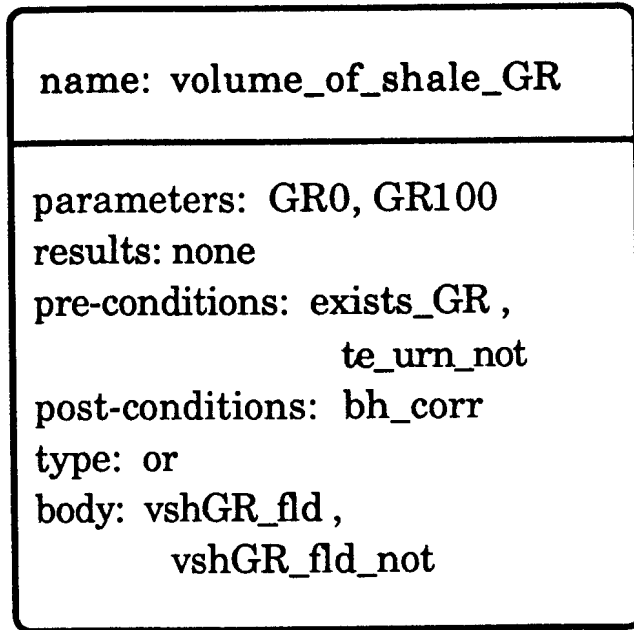


Figure 5.

A sample function frame in the network.  
Names in the slots are names of other frames.

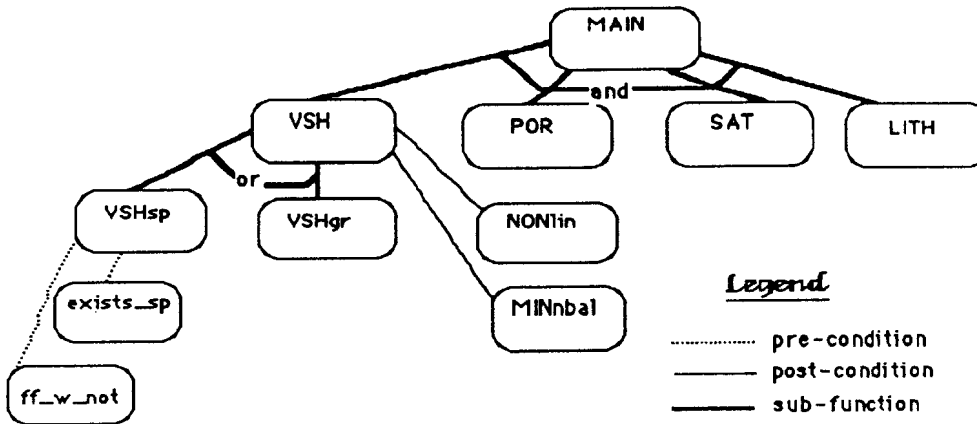


Figure 6.

Our knowledge base can be seen as a complex network of function nodes connected by arcs representing various relationships. The sub-function relation specifies an underlying and/or/any/all tree.

**APPENDIX**

**Note: The questions as shown here represent what is described as log response evaluation in the literature.**

Properties

A. LITHOLOGY

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Logs (present)	Preconditional Algorithms	Questions	Lithology Assessed
gamma ray	draw baseline	vsh >= 40%?	shale
gamma ray	draw baseline	vsh < 40%?	sandstone limestone dolomite
resistivity density	do Hingle plot 1	rm < 2.68g/cc?	sandstone
resistivity density	do Hingle plot 1	2.68 <= rm < 2.70g/cc?	sandstone limestone
resistivity density	do Hingle plot 1	2.70 <= rm < 2.74g/cc?	limestone
resistivity density	do Hingle plot 1	2.74 <= rm < 2.83g/cc?	limestone dolomite
resistivity density	do Hingle plot 1	2.83 <= rm < 2.88g/cc?	dolomite
resistivity sonic	do Hingle plot 2	delta t matrix <= 44sec?	dolomite
resistivity sonic	do Hingle plot 2	44sec < dt ma <= 48sec?	limestone dolomite
resistivity sonic	do Hingle plot 2	48sec < dt ma <= 51sec?	limestone
resistivity sonic	do Hingle plot 2	51sec < dt ma <= 57sec?	sandstone limestone
resistivity sonic	do Hingle plot 2	deltma t matrix > 57sec?	sandstone

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resistivity neutron	do Hingle plot 3	-6 < phi matrix <= -4?	dolomite
resistivity neutron	do Hingle plot 3	-4 < phi matrix <= -1?	limestone dolomite
resistivity neutron	do Hingle plot 3	-1 < phi matrix <= +1?	limestone
resistivity neutron	do Hingle plot 3	+1 < phi matrix <= +3?	sandstone limestone
resistivity neutron	do Hingle plot 3	phi matrix > +3?	sandstone

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**B. TRACE ELEMENTS**

<b>Logs (present)</b>	<b>Preconditional Algorithms</b>	<b>Questions</b>	<b>Trace Elements Assessed</b>
gamma ray uranium curve thorium curve potassium curve	---	GR show shale, U > 5ppm, THOR <= 8ppm and POTA <= 2%?	sandstone limestone dolomite uranium
thorium curve potasium curve	---	THOR > 8ppm and POTA >2%?	shale

Properties

C. FORMATION FLUIDS

	Logs (present)	Preconditional Algorithms	Questions	Formation Fluid Assessed
K	RES GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover, RES increasing, and vsh increasing?	gas
	RES GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover, RES increasing, and vsh constant?	gas
	RES GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover, RES increasing, and vsh decreasing?	gas oil
	RES GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover, RES constant, and vsh increasing?	gas
	RES GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover, RES constant, and vsh constant?	gas
	RES GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover, RES constant, and vsh decreasing?	gas oil
	RES GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover, RES increasing, constant, and decreasing	fresh water salt water
	density porosity neutron porosity	---	PHIN at least 4pu < PHID?	crossover gas

Properties

resistivity density porosity neutron porosity	---	PHIN < 3pu larger than PHID and 10 < vsh <=20 or PHID < 6pu larger than PHID and 20 < vsh <=40	approaching crossover
resistivity density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover and RESD increasing?	gas oil
resistivity density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover and RESD decreasing?	fresh water salt water
GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover and vsh increasing?	gas
GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover and vsh constant?	gas
GR density porosity neutron porosity	---	Approaching crossover and vsh decrease?	fresh water salt water gas oil
SP	---	SP has positive deflection?	fresh water gas oil
SP	---	SP has negative deflection?	salt water gas oil

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Vsh Computations



**A. VOLUME OF SHALE COMPUTATIONS**

<b>Logs (present)</b>	<b>Hole Condition</b>	<b>Lithology (not allowed)</b>	<b>Trace Elements (allowed)</b>	<b>Trace Elements (not allowed)</b>
spectral gamma ray	---	---	---	---
gamma ray	---	---	feldspar	uranium
gamma ray	---	---	---	uranium
density porosity neutron porosity	1 1 or 2	dolomite	---	pyrite feldspar
sp	---	limestone dolomite	---	---
density porosity sonic	1 1, 2, or 3	---	---	pyrite
none	---	---	---	---



Vsh Computations

Formation Fluid (not allowed)	Computational Algorithms	Question/Algorithm	Postconditional Algorithms
---	spectral gamma ray potassium curve	---	vsh minimum vsh balance
---	gamma ray borehole correction non linear correction	---	" "
---	gamma ray borehole correction	---	" "
gas	density neutron cross	---	" "
---	bed thickness correction	Min of -40mv between SP sand and shale?/sp	" "
---	sonic density cross	---	" "
---	no vsh algorithm is appropriate	---	---



Porosity Computations



**B. POROSITY COMPUTATIONS**

Logs (present)	Hole Condition	Complex Lithology (allowed)	Formation Fluid (not allowed)
density neutron	1 1 or 2	limestone and/or dolomite	gas
density neutron	1 1 or 2	---	gas
density neutron	1 1 or 2	---	gas
density sonic	1 1, 2, or 3	---	---
neutron sonic	1 or 2 1, 2, or 3	---	gas
density	1	---	---
neutron	1 or 2	---	gas
sonic	1, 2, or 3	---	---
none		---	---

Porosity Computations

Questions	Vsh Calculated	Computational Algorithms	Postconditional Algorithms
---	yes	por density neutron cross complex lithology	porosity balance coal trigger anhydrite trigger gypsum trigger salt trigger
PHIN = PHID +- 3pu?	---	por density neutron cross shaly sand	" "
---	yes	por density neutron cross bulk volume water	" "
---	---	por sonic density cross Wyllie	" "
Vsh <= 15%? (from vsh calcs)	yes	por sonic neutron cross	" "
---	yes	por density	" "
---	yes	por neutron	" "
---	yes	por sonic Wyllie	" "
---	---	no porosity algorithm is acceptable	---



Saturation Computations



C. WATER SATURATION

Logs (present)	Hole Condition	Trace Elements (not allowed)	Formation Fluid (not allowed)	Questions
resistivity density neutron	--- 1 1 or 2	pyrite	gas	bvw used?
resistivity	---	pyrite	---	Vsh <= 15%? (from vsh calcs)
resistivity	---	pyrite	---	---
resistivity	---	pyrite	---	Qv & CEC data available?
TDT	---	---	---	---
dielectric	---	---	---	---
none	---	---	---	---

Vsh Computations



**A. VOLUME OF SHALE COMPUTATIONS**

<b>Logs (present)</b>	<b>Hole Condition</b>	<b>Lithology (not allowed)</b>	<b>Trace Elements (allowed)</b>	<b>Trace Elements (not allowed)</b>
spectral gamma ray	---	---	---	---
gamma ray	---	---	feldspar	uranium
gamma ray	---	---	---	uranium
density porosity neutron porosity	1 1 or 2	dolomite	---	pyrite feldspar
sp	---	limestone dolomite	---	---
density porosity sonic	1 1, 2, or 3	---	---	pyrite
none	---	---	---	---

Vsh Computations

Formation Fluid (not allowed)	Computational Algorithms	Question/Algorithm	Postconditional Algorithms
---	spectral gamma ray potassium curve	---	vsh minimum vsh balance
---	gamma ray borehole correction non linear correction	---	" "
---	gamma ray borehole correction	---	" "
gas	density neutron cross	---	" "
---	bed thickness correction	Min of -40mv between SP sand and shale?/sp	" "
---	sonic density cross	---	" "
---	no vsh algorithm is appropriate	---	---



Porosity Computations



**B. POROSITY COMPUTATIONS**

Logs (present)	Hole Condition	Complex Lithology (allowed)	Formation Fluid (not allowed)
density neutron	1 1 or 2	limestone and/or dolomite	gas
density neutron	1 1 or 2	---	gas
density neutron	1 1 or 2	---	gas
density sonic	1 1, 2, or 3	---	---
neutron sonic	1 or 2 1, 2, or 3	---	gas
density	1	---	---
neutron	1 or 2	---	gas
sonic	1, 2, or 3	---	---
none		---	---

Porosity Computations

Questions	Vsh Calculated	Computational Algorithms	Postconditional Algorithms
---	yes	por density neutron cross complex lithology	porosity balance coal trigger anhydrite trigger gypsum trigger salt trigger
PHIN = PHID +- 3pu?	---	por density neutron cross shaly sand	" "
---	yes	por density neutron cross bulk volume water	" "
---	---	por sonic density cross Wyllie	" "
Vsh <= 15%? (from vsh calcs)	yes	por sonic neutron cross	" "
---	yes	por density	" "
---	yes	por neutron	" "
---	yes	por sonic Wyllie	" "
---	---	no porosity algorithm is acceptable	---





Saturation Computations



C. WATER SATURATION

Logs (present)	Hole Condition	Trace Elements (not allowed)	Formation Fluid (not allowed)	Questions
resistivity density neutron	--- 1 1 or 2	pyrite	gas	bvw used?
resistivity	---	pyrite	---	Vsh <= 15%? (from vsh calcs)
resistivity	---	pyrite	---	---
resistivity	---	pyrite	---	Qv & CEC data available?
TDT	---	---	---	---
dielectric	---	---	---	---
none	---	---	---	---

Saturation Computations

Vsh Calculated	Porosity Calculated	Computational Algorithms	Postconditional Algorithms
yes	---	bvw method	sat balance & smooth
yes	yes	Archie method	" "
yes	yes	Simandou method	" "
yes	yes	Waxman-Smit method	" "
yes	yes	TDT method	" "
yes	yes	EPT method	" "
---	---	no saturation alg is appropriate	---



Lithology Computations



**D. LITHOLOGY COMPUTATIONS**

<b>Logs (present)</b>	<b>Hole Condition</b>	<b>Lithology (allowed)</b>	<b>Trace Elements (not allowed)</b>	<b>Formation Fluid (not allowed)</b>
PED density sonic	1 1 1, 2, or 3	---	pyrite	---
density neutron sonic	1 1 or 2 1, 2, or 3	limestone and/or dolomite	pyrite	gas
density neutron sonic	1 1 or 2 1, 2, or 3	---	pyrite	gas
density sonic	1 1, 2, or 3	---	pyrite	---
density	1	---	pyrite	---
sonic	1, 2, or 3	---	---	---
none	---	---	---	---

Lithology Computations

Vsh Calculated	Porosity Calculated	Matrix Density	Matrix Travel Time	Computational Algorithms
yes	yes	densma calc	deltma calc	UMA method
yes	yes	densma calc	deltma calc	CNL-DEN method
yes	yes	densma calc	deltma calc	m and n method mn calc
yes	yes	densma calc	deltma calc	midplot method
yes	yes	densma calc	---	vrockd method
yes	yes	---	deltma calc	vrocks method
---	---	---	---	no lithology algorithm is appropriate



Algs & Params



ALGORITHMS	LOG/MATE ALGORITHMS	PARAMETERS corresponding to ALGORITHMS
spectral gamma ray potassium	VSHpot	KO, K100
gamma ray	VSHgr	GRO, GR100
density neutron cross	VSHxnd	PHIDSH, PHINSH or PHINSH, PHIDSH, RHOMA, RHOW
sp	VSHsp	SPO, SP100
sonic density cross	VSHxsd	CDTSH, DELTMA, DELTSH, DELTW, RHOMA, RHOW, PHIDSH, PHISSH
borehole correction	BCORGR	MWT, BITZ
non-linear correction	VSHcl	
bed thickness correction	bed_thick_corr	
vsh minimum	VSHmin	
vsh balance	VSHbal	
por density neutron cross complex lithology	PHlxc1	RHOMA, RHOW, PHIDSH, PHINSH
por density neutron cross shaly sand	PHlxss	RHOMA, RHOW, PHIDSH, PHINSH
por density neutron cross bulk volume water	PHlbtw	PHIDDC, PHIDSH, PHINDC, PHINSH
por sonic density Wyllie	PHlxsd	CDTSH, DELTMA, DELTSH, DELTW, PHIDSH
por sonic neutron cross	PHlxsn	CP, CDTSH, DELTMA, DELTSH, DELTW, PHINSH, PHISSH
por density	PHIdens	RHOMA, RHOSH, RHOW, KD or PHIDSH, RHOMA, RHOW
por neutron	PHIneut	KD, PHINSH
por sonic Wyllie	PHISwyl	CDTSH, DELTMA, DELTSH, DELTW, KS
por balance	PHibal	PHIMAX
coal trigger	coal_trig	DNTRIG, DTTRIG, GRTRIG, NTTRIG, RTTRIG, CTRIG
anhydrite trigger	anhy_trig	DNTRIG, DTTRIG, GRTRIG, NTTRIG, RTTRIG, ATRIG
gypsum trigger	gyp_trig	DNTRIG, DTTRIG, GRTRIG, NTTRIG, RTTRIG, GTRIG
salt trigger	salt_trig	DNTRIG, DTTRIG, GRTRIG, NTTRIG, RTTRIG, STRIG
Waxman-Smit method	SWws	A, RHOMA, FT, RWatFT
Simandou method	SWs	A, M, N, RSH, RWatFT
Archie method	SWal	A, M, N, RWatFT
bwv method	SWbvw	A, BVWSH, RSH, RWatFT
TDT method	SWtdt	SIGMAMA, SIGMAW, SIGMAH, SIGMASH
EPT method	SWept	ATTN, BHT, BHTDEP, BVWSH, SUFT, TMP
saturation balance & smooth	SWsmth	
UMA method	UMA	UF, RHOMA1, RHOMA2, RHOMA3, UMA1, UMA2, UMA3
CNL-DENS method	CNL_DENS	
M and N method	VROCK3mn	MLITH1, MLITH2, MLITH3, NLITH1, NLITH2, NLITH3
MN calculation	MNlith	DELTSH, DELTW, RHOW, PHIDSH, PHINSH
midplot method	VROCK2mid	DELTMA1, DELTMA2, DELTMA3, RHOMA1, RHOMA2, RHOMA3
vrockd method	VROCK2d	DENS1, DENS2
vrocks method	VROCK2s	DELT1, DELT2
densma calculation	RHOMA	PHIDSH
deltma calculation	DELTma	DELTSH, DELTW

## PARAMETER ASSIGNING METHODS

Continued

A PhicoreFFxplot  
 A PhiResxplot  
   stand A  
   const ATRIG  
   stand ATRIG  
   stand ATTN  
   head BHT  
   head BHTDEP  
   head BITZ  
 BVWSH PhinPhidxplot  
   deriv BVWSH  
   stand BVWSH  
 CDTSH PhisPhicorexplot  
 CDTSH DeltPhidxplot  
   CDTSH GrDeltxplot  
   stand CDTSH  
 CP PhisPhicorexplot  
   CP DeltPhidxplot  
   CP GrDeltxplot  
   stand CP  
   const CTRIG  
   stand CTRIG  
   stand DELT1  
   stand DELT2  
   const DELTMA  
   stand DELTMA  
   stand DELTMA1  
   stand DELTMA2  
   stand DELTMA3  
 DELTSH DeltPhidxplot  
   DELTSH GrDeltxplot  
   stand DELTSH  
 DELTW DeltPhicorexplot  
   const DELTW  
   stand DELTW  
   stand DENS1  
   stand DENS2  
   const DNTRIG  
   stand DNTRIG  
   const DTTRIG  
   stand DTTRIG  
   head FT  
   histo GRO  
   stand GRO  
   histo GR100  
   histo GR100rd  
   stand GR100  
   const GRTRIG  
   stand GRTRIG  
   const GTRIG

N RlcoreSwxplot  
 N PhiResxplot  
   stand N  
   stand NLITH1  
   stand NLITH2  
   stand NLITH3  
   const NTTRIG  
   stand NTTRIG  
 PHIDDC PhinPhidxplot  
   deriv PHIDDC  
   stand PHIDDC  
 PHIDSH PhinPhidxplot  
   PHIDSH GrPhidxplot  
   stand PHIDSH  
   const PHIMAX  
   stand PHIMAX  
 PHINDC PhinPhidxplot  
   deriv PHINDC  
   stand PHINDC  
 PHINSH PhinPhidxplot  
   PHINSH GrPhinxplot  
   stand PHINSH  
 PHISSH DeltPhidxplot  
   PHISSH GrDeltxplot  
   stand PHISSH  
   const PHIMAX  
   stand PHIMAX  
   const RHOMA  
   stand RHOMA  
   stand RHOMA1  
   stand RHOMA2  
   stand RHOMA3  
   stand RHOSH  
 RHOW PhicoreDensxplot  
   const RHOW  
   stand RHOW  
   stand RSH  
   const RTTRIG  
   stand RTTRIG  
   RWatFT from PW  
   RWatFT from DST  
   RWatFT from WC  
   RWatFT from deriv  
   RWatFT from stand  
   const SIGMAH  
   stand SIGMAH  
 SIGMAMA TDTPhicorexplot  
   const SIGMAMA  
   stand SIGMAMA  
   stand SIGMASH

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## Param Methods

stand GTRIG  
  histo KO  
  stand KO  
  histo K100  
  stand K100  
  stand KD  
  stand KS  
M PhicoreFFxplot  
M PhiResxplot  
  stand M  
  stand MLITH1  
  stand MLITH2  
  stand MLITH3  
  head MWT

stand SIGMAW  
  histo SP0  
  stand SP0  
  histo SP100  
  stand SP100  
  const STRIG  
  stand STRIG  
  head SUFT  
  const TPM  
  stand TPM  
  deriv UF  
  stand UF  
  stand UMA1  
  stand UMA2  
  stand UMA3

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