



DISC

2017

Electromagnetics  
Fundamentals and Applications

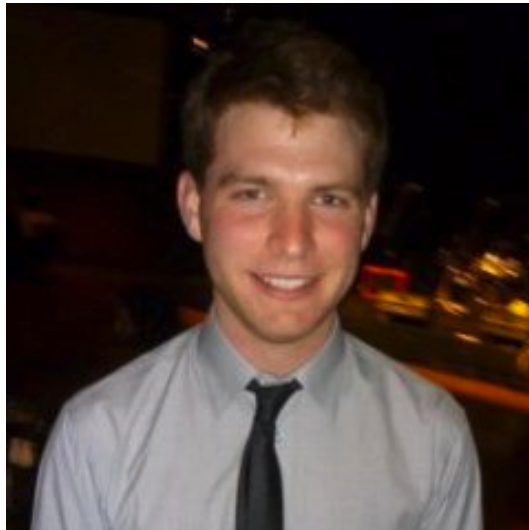
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SOCIETY OF EXPLORATION  
— GEOPHYSICISTS —

# Thanks to...

Josh Sage



Emma Brand

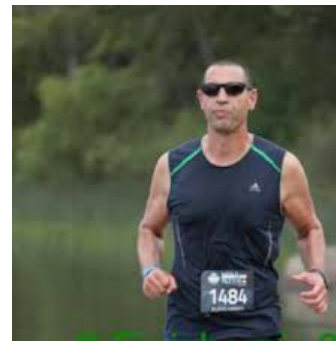
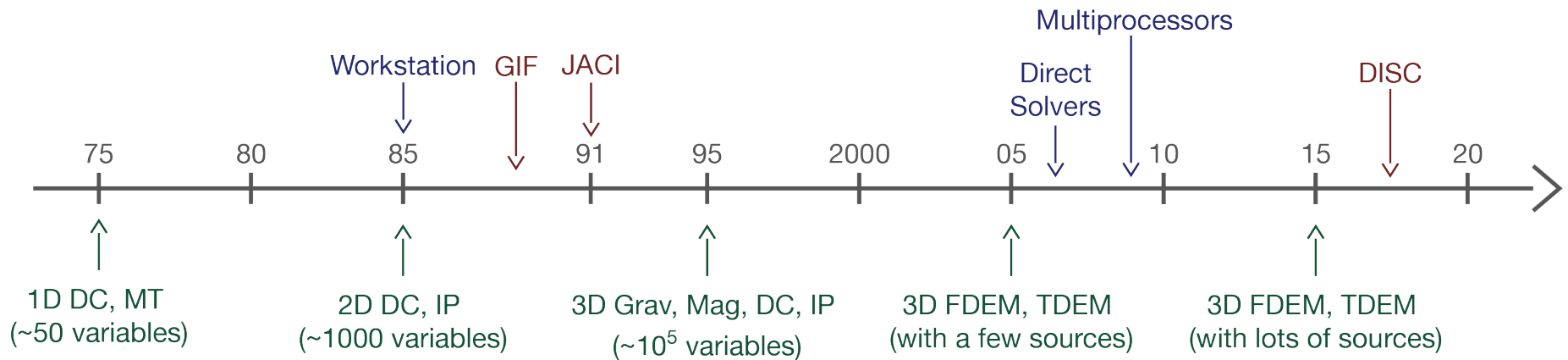


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Exploration Geophysicists



# Some Background

- Doug inspired by Bob Parker, Freeman Gilbert and George Backus:  
The Geophysical Inverse Problem

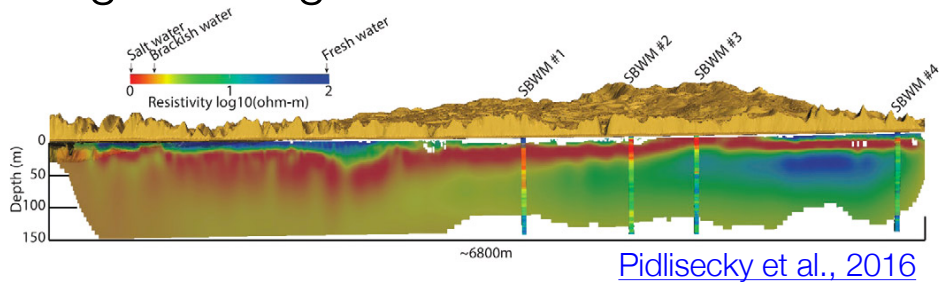


Result: Computing power + advances in inversion methodology  
→ we can now solve most EM geophysics problems

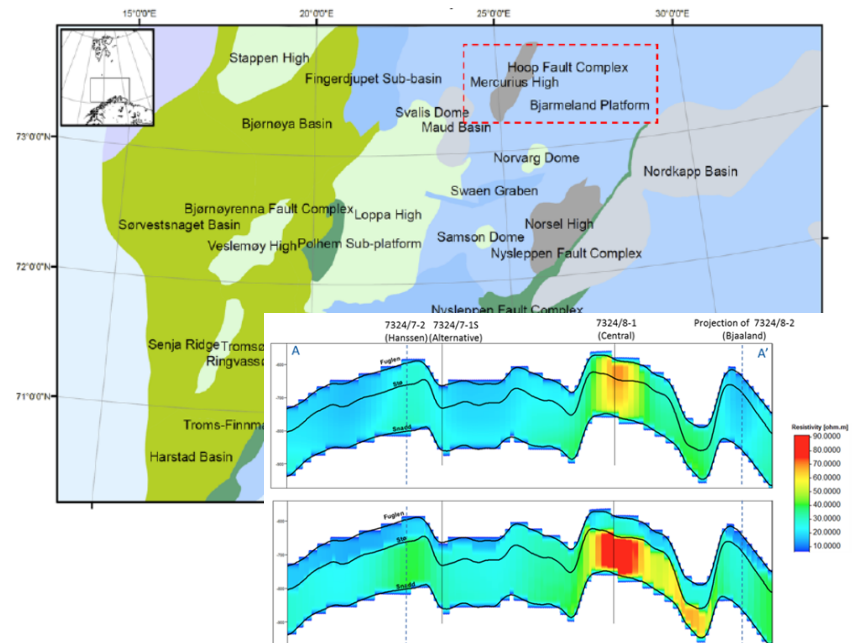
# Instrumentation and Data

- The second major advance is in data acquisition
- Data with unprecedented data quality and quantity.

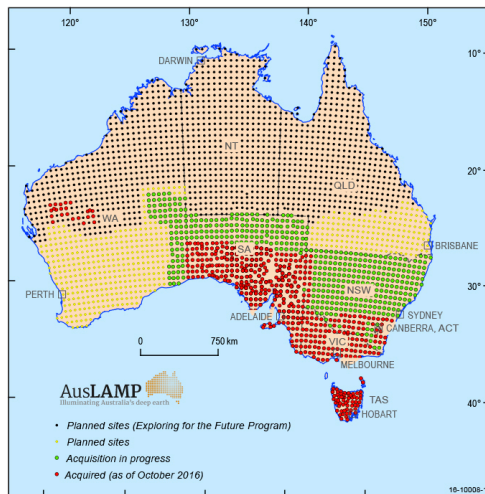
## Large-scale ground water studies: California



## Offshore: Hydrocarbon De-risking



## AusLamp: Continental Scale MT

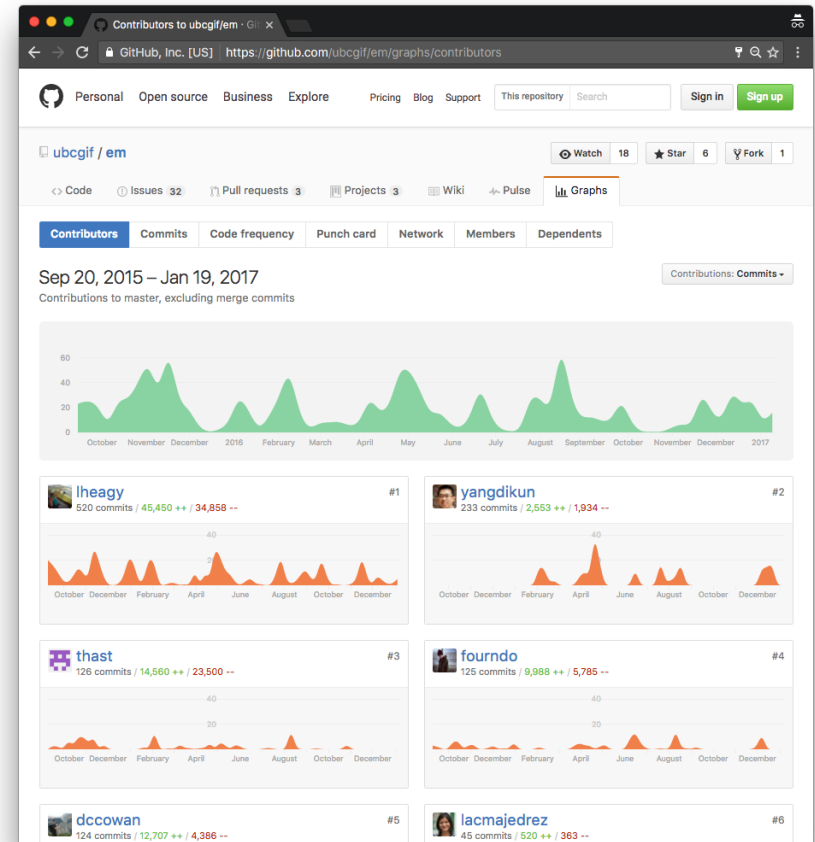


# Web and Open Source Resources

- Open source development: Software and resources
  - Collaborate
  - Share
  - Test changes
  - Interactive computing



Simulation and Parameter Estimation in Geophysics  
<http://simpeg.xyz>



**GitHub**  
versioning, collaborating



**Travis CI**  
testing, deploy



**Jupyter**  
interactive computing



**Creative Commons**  
licensing, reuse



**Python**  
computation

# Many applications

Electromagnetics can be used for ...



# We have the basic ingredients

- Application problems
- High quality data
- Ability to invert EM data sets
- Web tools to communicate

What are the roadblocks?

# Roadblocks

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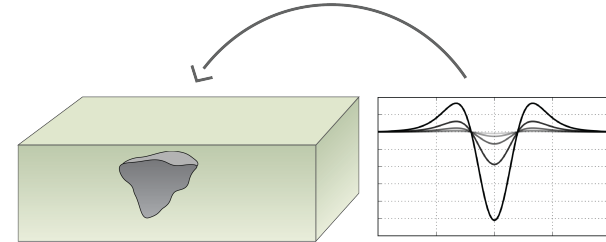
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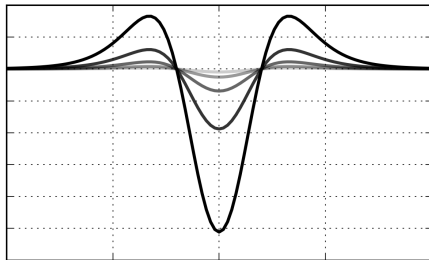
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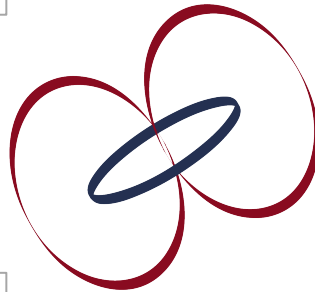
Inversion capabilities



High quality data



Web tools to  
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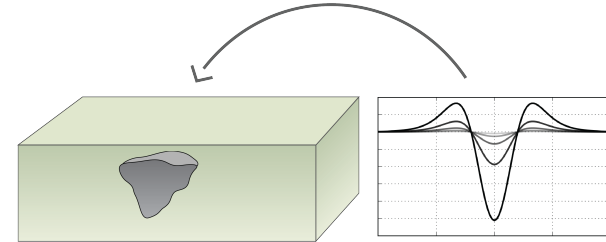


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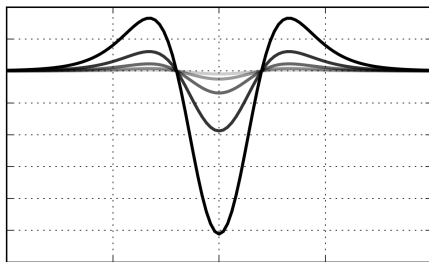
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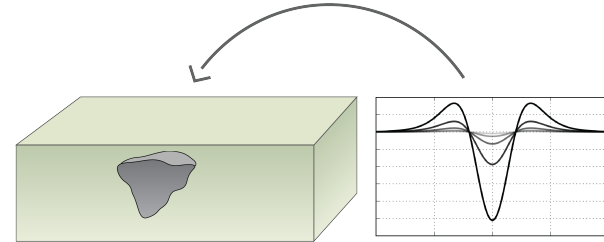
A good idea but missing an important ingredient ...

# Talented Young Geoscientists

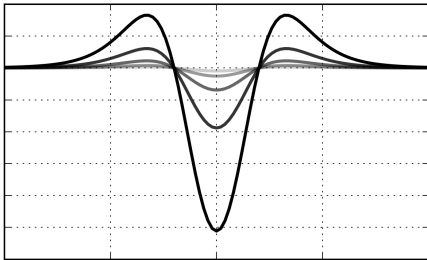
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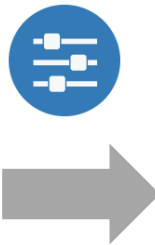
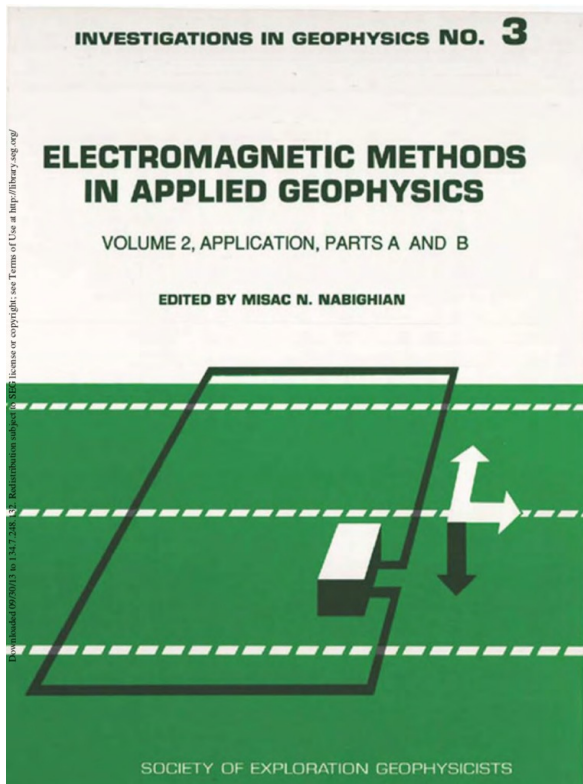


Lindsey

# Goals for the DISC

- Inspire
  - See the variety of potential applications
  - Illustrate effectiveness using case histories
- Build a foundation
  - Basic principles of EM
  - Exploration and visualization with interactive apps
  - Open source resource: <http://em.geosci.xyz>
- Set realistic expectations
- Promote development of an EM community
  - Open source software
  - Capturing case histories world-wide

# Resources: EM.geosci

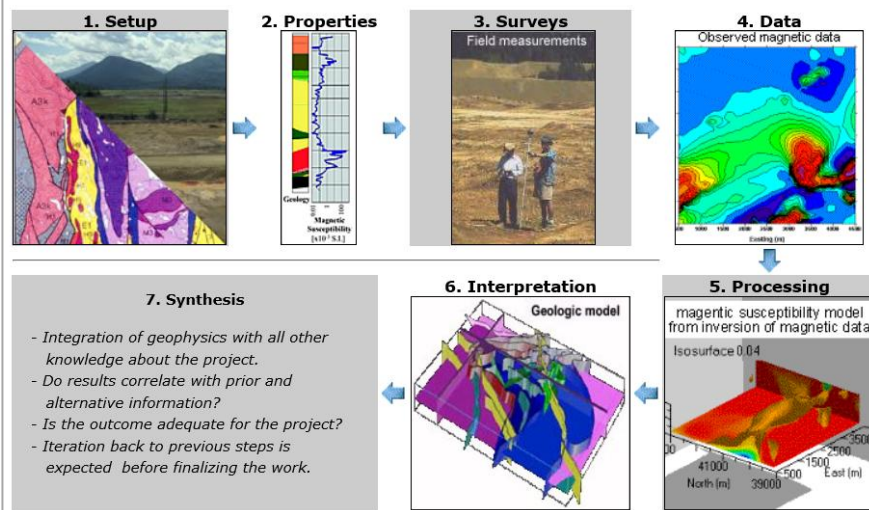


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<http://em.geosci.xyz>

# Resources: EM.geosci

## 7 step framework for Case Histories



Case Histories — Electromagn...  
em.geosci.xyz/content/case\_histories/index.html

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Search docs

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Inversion

Case Histories

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- Bookpurnong
- Aspen
- Lalor
- Elevenmile Canyon
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Gallery

Equation Bank

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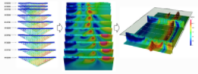
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Case histories provide the context for our development of educational and research material presented in em.geosci. Each case history focuses upon a particular problem to be solved and provides the motivation for working with particular surveys and shows the effectiveness of electromagnetics in answering the posed questions. For many people, a case history will be the entry point to this site. To facilitate transfer of knowledge we have developed a common framework (Seven Step Process) in which each case history is presented. Links are provided so that a reader can investigate fundamental aspects of EM, the survey, or interpretation. In some cases we are able to provide data sets and analysis/inversion software to enhance the user experience and to address important issues regarding reproducibility. Case histories for our Initial launch of em.geosci are those that have been developed by past and present students at the Geophysical Inversion Facility. The titles, and EM systems used are provided below.

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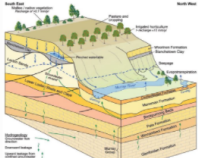
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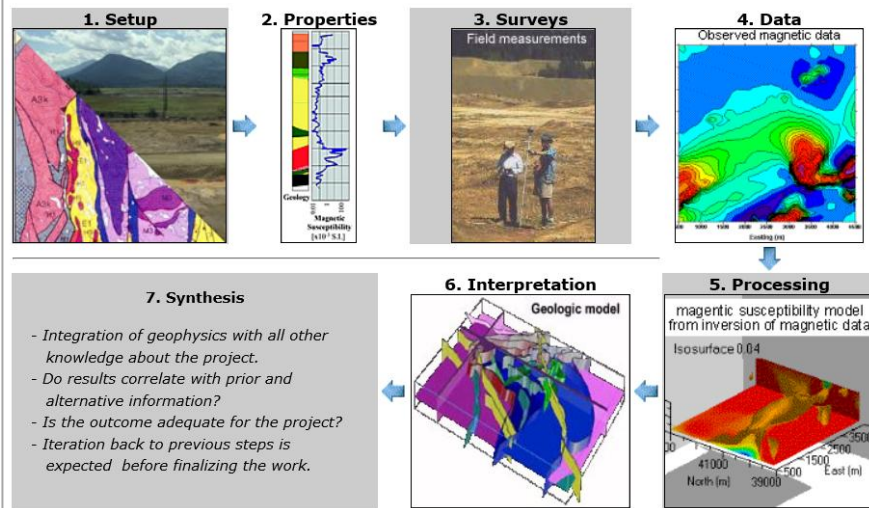
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# Resources: EM.geosci

## 7 step framework for Case Histories



**Edit on GitHub**

### Case Histories

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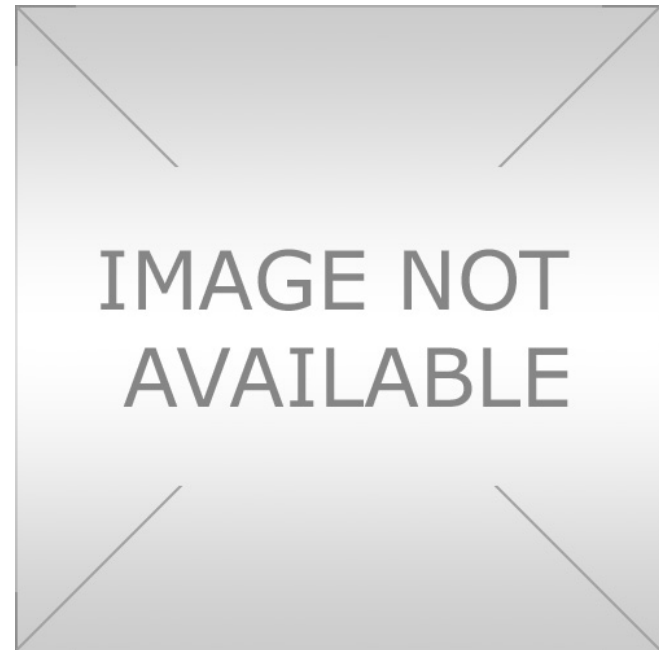
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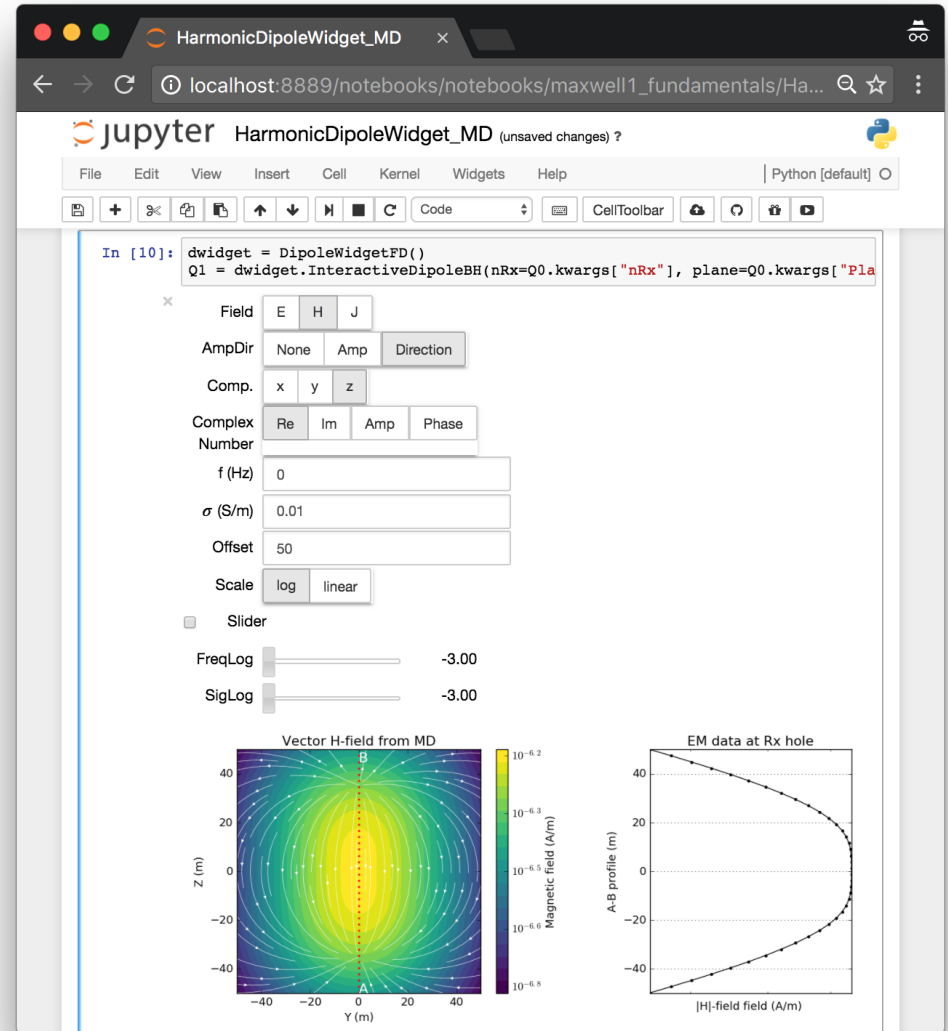


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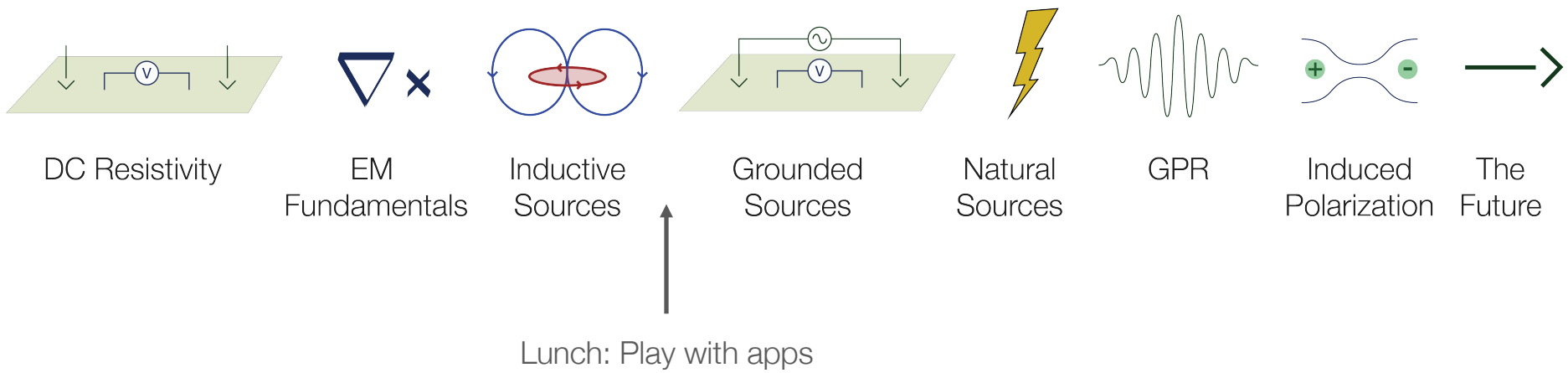


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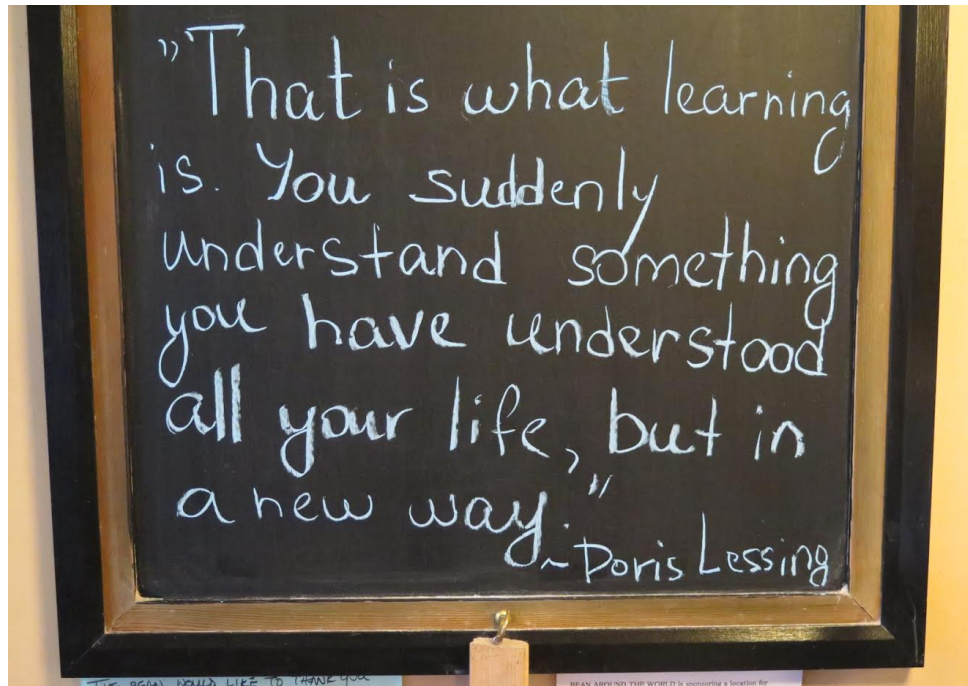
- Connect to relevant applications
- Select a type of survey
- Use apps to explore and ask questions
- Show success in a case history

# Agenda for today



# A touch of realism

- Ambitious schedule
- Wide variety of backgrounds but hope there is something for everybody
- Not really targeting the experts but even them...



# DISC is a 2-day event

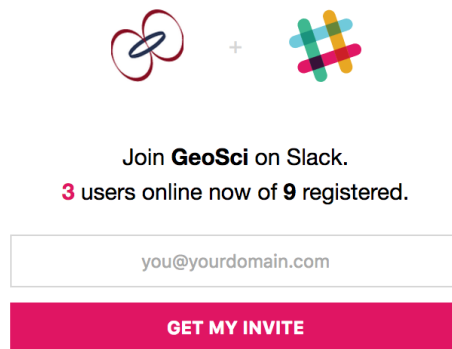
- SEG DISC Course (today)
  - Sponsored by SEG
- DISC Lab (tomorrow) (sponsored by GIF)
  - Capture “local” applications
  - Share on the web
- The tour:
  - 30 locations
  - Capture geoscience problems around the world
  - Connect geoscientists worldwide, build a community



# Connecting & Contributing

- Today: Slack

– <http://slack.geosci.xyz/>



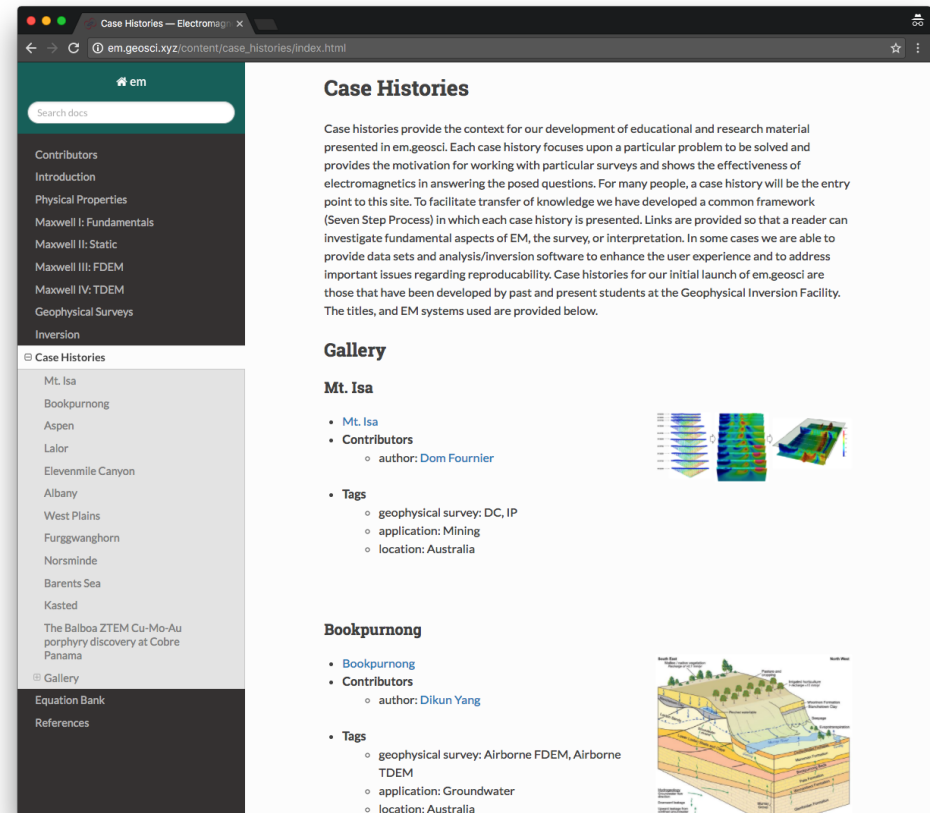
- Contributing:

– EM GeoSci

- Case histories
- Content

– SimPEG

- Software



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# Introduction to EM



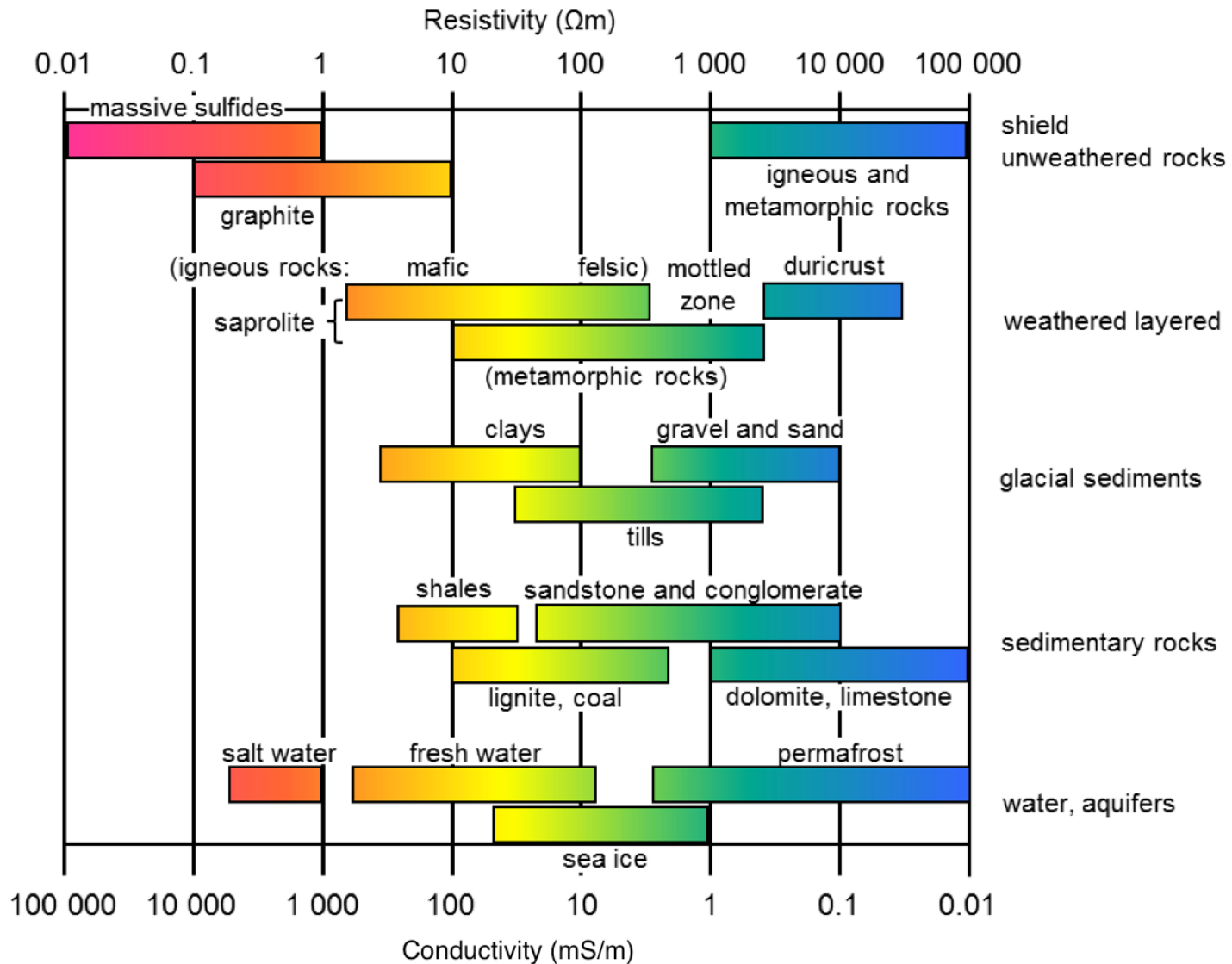


# Three problems


How do we locate and characterize ...



# Electrical Resistivity / Conductivity

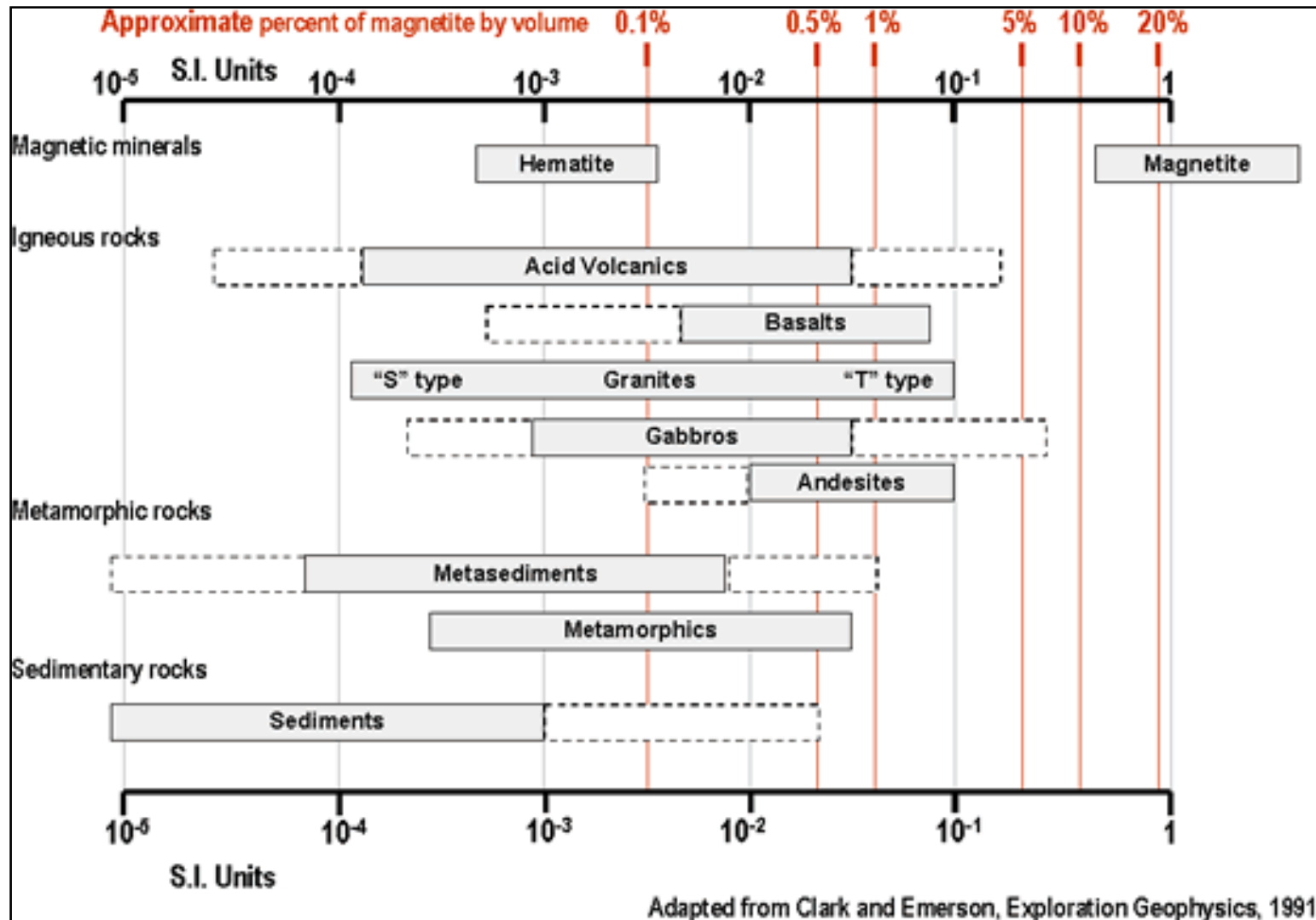


# Dielectric constant

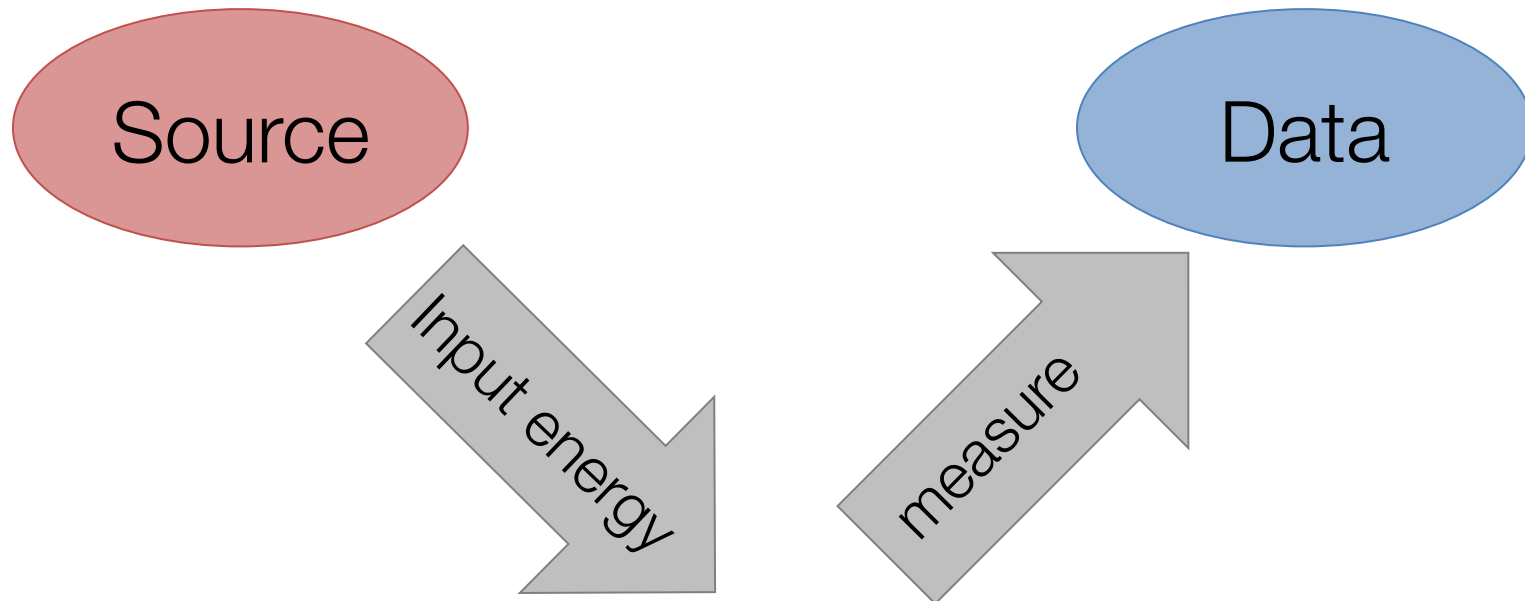


Material	Relative Permittivity	Conductivity (mS/m)
Air	1	0
Fresh Water	80	0.5
Sea Water	80	3000
Ice	3-4	0.01
Dry Sand	3-5	0.01
Saturated Sand	20-30	0.1-1
Limestone	4-8	0.5-2
Shales	5-15	1-100
Silts	5-30	1-100
Clays	5-40	2-1000
Granite	4-6	0.01-1
Anhydrites	3-4	0.01-1

# Magnetic Susceptibility



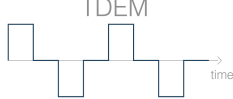

# EM Survey & Physical Properties



Physical  
Properties

$\sigma, \mu, \epsilon$

# Basic Equations

	Time 	Frequency 
Faraday's Law	$\nabla \times \mathbf{e} = - \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial t}$	$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = - i\omega \mathbf{B}$
Ampere's Law	$\nabla \times \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{j} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{d}}{\partial t}$	$\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{J} + i\omega \mathbf{D}$
No Magnetic Monopoles	$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$	$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$
Constitutive Relationships (non-dispersive)	$\mathbf{j} = \sigma \mathbf{e}$ $\mathbf{b} = \mu \mathbf{h}$ $\mathbf{d} = \epsilon \mathbf{e}$	$\mathbf{J} = \sigma \mathbf{E}$ $\mathbf{B} = \mu \mathbf{H}$ $\mathbf{D} = \epsilon \mathbf{E}$

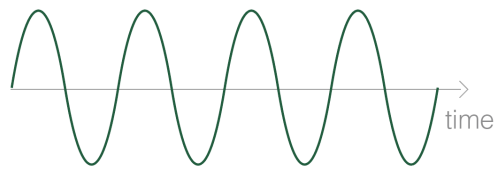
\* Solve with sources and boundary conditions

# Electromagnetic Survey: Sources

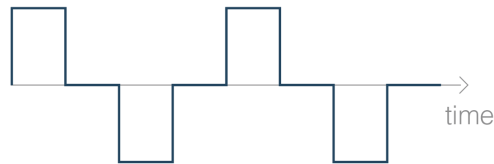
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  - Inductive
  - Grounded

- Waveform

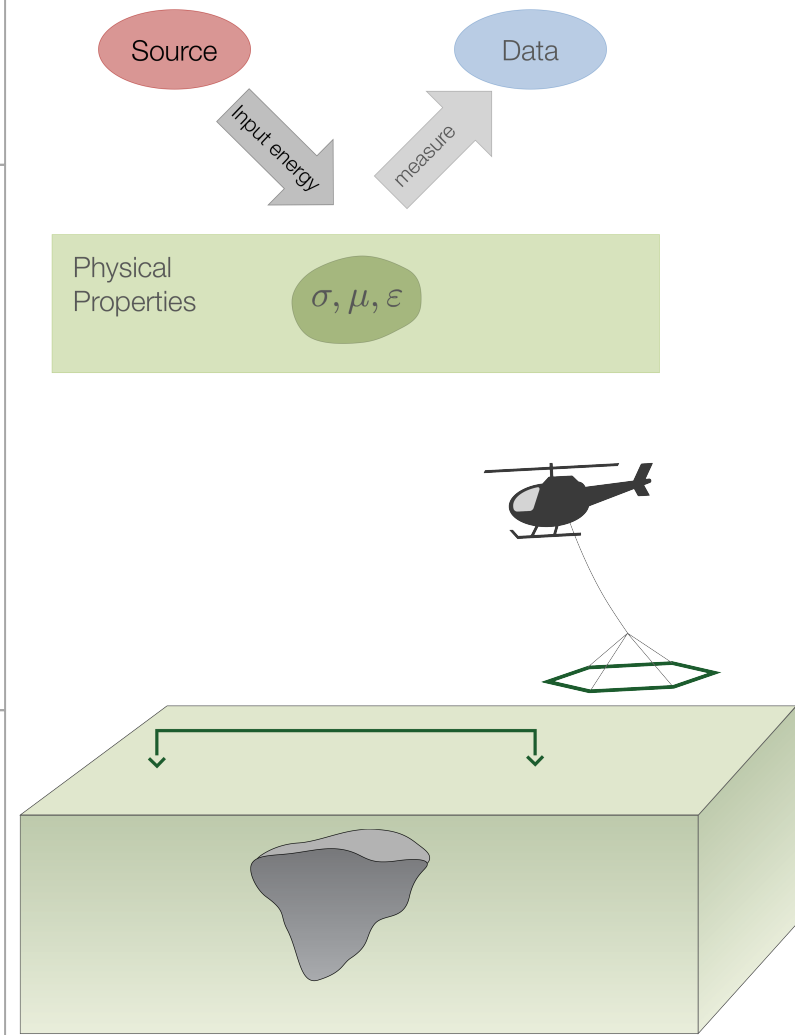
Harmonic  
(FDEM)



Transient  
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- Location
  - Airborne
  - Ground
  - Borehole

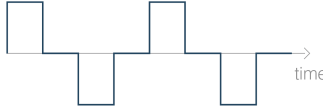


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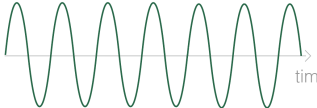
- Which field?
 

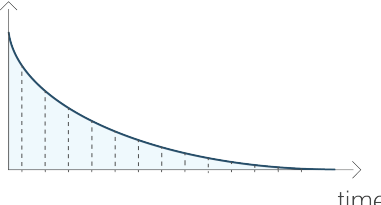


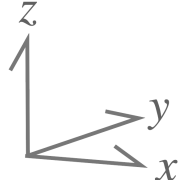
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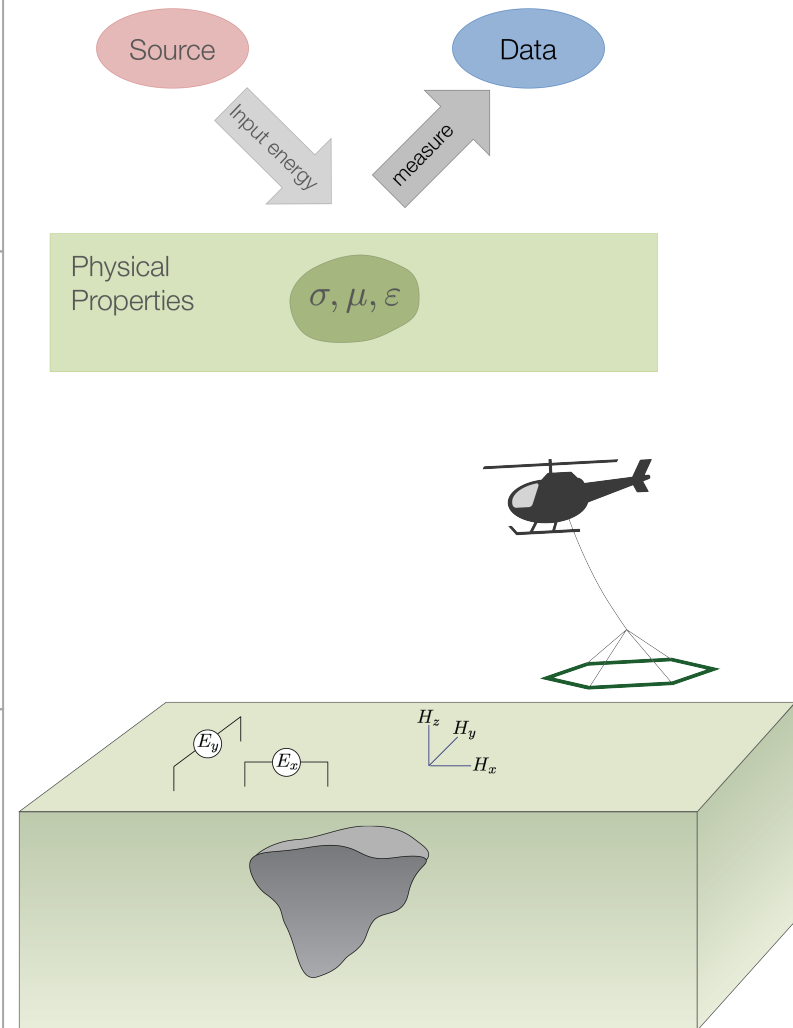


**e, b,  $\frac{db}{dt}$**
- Which frequencies?
 


or

- times?
 


- Components?
- Location?
  - Airborne
  - Ground
  - Borehole

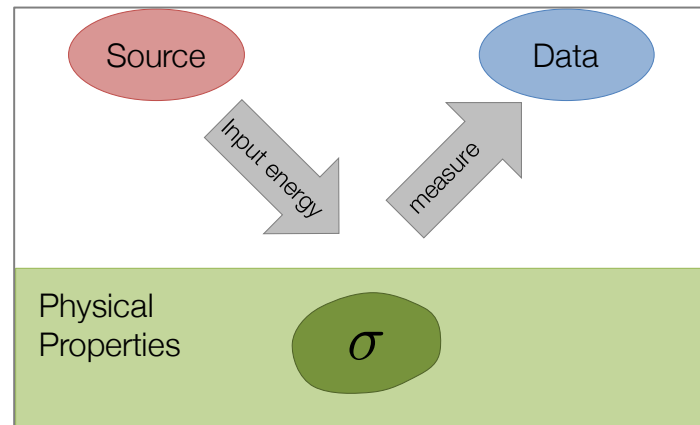
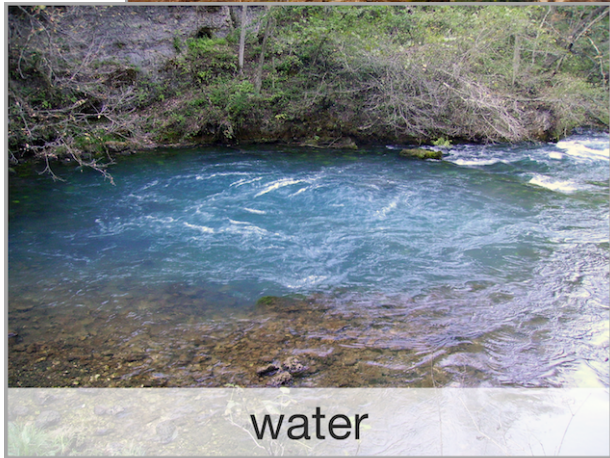






# Three problems

Electrical conductivity is diagnostic for all three



# End of Introduction

