

First Vertical Derivative of the Magnetic Field

This map of the first vertical derivative of the magnetic field was derived from data acquired during an aeromagnetic survey carried out by Geo Data Solutions GDS Inc. from March 17 to March 28, 2017. The data were recorded using a split-beam cesium vapour magnetometer (sensitivity = 0.005 nT) mounted in the tail boom of a Beechcraft KingAir 100 aircraft (C-FLRB). The nominal traverse and control line spacings were, respectively, 100 m and 2400 m, and the aircraft flew at a mean altitude of 1500 m. Trajectories were constrained by 100 m E-W orthogonal control lines. The flight path was recovered following post-flight differential corrections to the raw Global Positioning System (GPS) data and inspection of ground images recorded by a vertically-mounted video camera. The survey was carried out over a terrain characterized by no significant differences in magnetic values at the intersections of control and traverse lines. These differences were computer-analyzed to obtain a mutually leveled set of flight-line magnetic data. The levelled values were then interpolated to a 100 m grid. The International Geomagnetic Reference Field (IGRF) derivative at the average GPS altitude (41 km) for the year 2017, the IGRF-15 model, represents the difference between the magnetic field of the Earth's core, produces a residual component related almost entirely to magnetizations within the Earth's crust.

The first vertical derivative of the magnetic field is the rate of change of the magnetic field in the vertical direction. Computation of the first vertical derivative removes long-wavelength features of the magnetic field and significantly improves the resolution of closely-spaced and superposed anomalies. A property of first vertical derivative maps is the coincidence of the zero-value contour with vertical contacts at high magnetic latitudes (Hood, 1965).

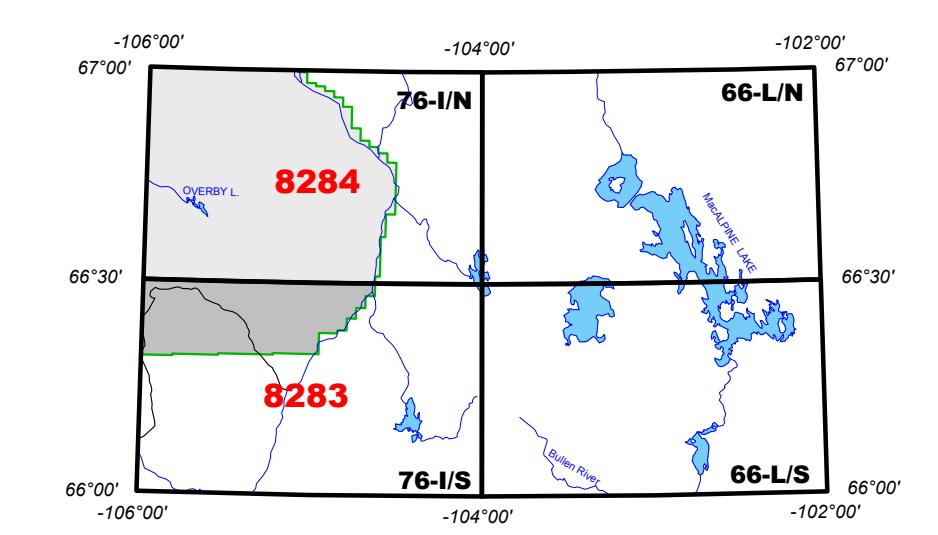
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References

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PLANIMETRIC SYMBOLS

Topographic contour
Drainage
Survey boundary
Flight line	— < L14104
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