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SEGYLib V1.0 – A .NET C# Library used to Read and Write SEGY Files

Abstract

SEGYlib V1.0 is a Microsoft C# class library that can be used in the family of Visual Studio products to read and write SEG-Y files up to and including Revision 1 (Norris and Faichney, 2002). SEG-Y files are one of the formats established by the Society of Exploration Geophysicists to standardize the storage of single-channel and multichannel seismic data. The SEG-Y standard is in the process of revision and the library released here should be capable of extension to new revisions without a complete rewrite.

This library can be used interchangeably in the Microsoft suite of Visual Studio Tools, include Visual C#, F#, Visual Basic, and Visual C++ projects. This library can also be loaded as .NET assemblies in Windows-implementations of Matlab and Python. Both the code and the complied libraries are included in this release. It is a work in progress and this release represents a preliminary functionality for reading and writing SEGY files.

The class library is structured to support the serialization of SEGY contents to and from XML. Entire SEGY files, SEG-Y File header and individual SEG-Y traces can be read and written in XML format, facilitating scanning of SEG-Y files for metadata harvesting.

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Introduction

The GSC has been collecting digital seismic data since the early 1990's and has used and continues to use SEG-Y (Norris and Faichney, 2002) as its primary format for storing its digital seismic, sounder and sidescan data. Earlier efforts at the Geological Survey of Canada Atlantic had developed computer code written in C and C++ languages to read and write SEGY files up to Revision 0 (Barry et al., 1975). Although these routines can still be used, they suffer from a range of issues from a programming perspective. The older code is not object-oriented so the extension, or modification, of the code often involves awkward and substantial rewrites. Older code relied heavily on direct pointer manipulation for memory allocation and access; it is well known that this approach often results in memory leaks and code overwrites. As program complexity increases, these problems sometimes present significant barriers to progress and stable programming.

Modern coding techniques rely on an object-oriented (OOP) approach where these pitfalls can be addressed. In OOP, memory allocation and deallocation are strictly controlled, abstracted from the physical memory in the system. Memory leaks are eliminated as garbage collection techniques actively dispose unused or discarded memory allocations. With proper modelling, the code becomes much more reusable and extendable. In addition, the use of structured objects leads readily to the concept of serialization and the expression of SEG-Y data in XML format, useful for harvesting metadata for data storage and dissemination.

Current versions of Visual Studio (as of 2015) are migrating away from using C++ as a primary programming language, so it was decided to code this effort in C# using object oriented programming techniques. It was decided to update the core code libraries to handle SEG-Y formatted data up to version 1 (Norris and Faichney, 2002), laying a better-structured foundation for the eventual upgrade to Revision 2.

Implementation

The SEG-Y file structure is well documented and made available through the SEG (Norris and Faichney, 2002). The reader is strongly recommended to read this reference before proceeding. The SEG-Y standard has undergone two revisions (Barry et al., 1975; Norris and Faichney, 2002) in the last 40 years, maintaining essential file and byte-level structure compatibility between revisions. It is anticipated by the author that this compatibility will be maintained through future revisions.

A SEG-Y file comprises a sequence of byte stream blocks, the structure of each strictly defined through the standard. The byte order of the file is generally big endian, however little endian versions do exist.

File Header Section:

Block 1 : 3200 byte Textual header - Traditionally IBM EBCDIC –encoded text header information. The SEG-Y standard does not explicitly state EBCDIC, and ASCII is often encountered. This implementation supports both ASCII and EBCDIC.

Block 2 : 400 byte Binary File Header as described in the standard.

Block 2+i : Extended Textual Header for i = 0, n . SEG-Y Revision 1 supports extended text blocks. This implementation supports from 0 to n extended text blocks. A variable text block designation (-1) is not supported at the time.

Trace Section – sequence repeated for each encoded trace

Block j - 240 byte binary trace header as described in the standard .

Block j+1 - trace data as described in the standard.

A class library was written to allow a structured access to these file contents and to also permit parts, or the whole, of the SEGY file to be written in XML format to aid metadata harvesting. The following section details the framework of the implementation released in this open file.

Class Hierarchy

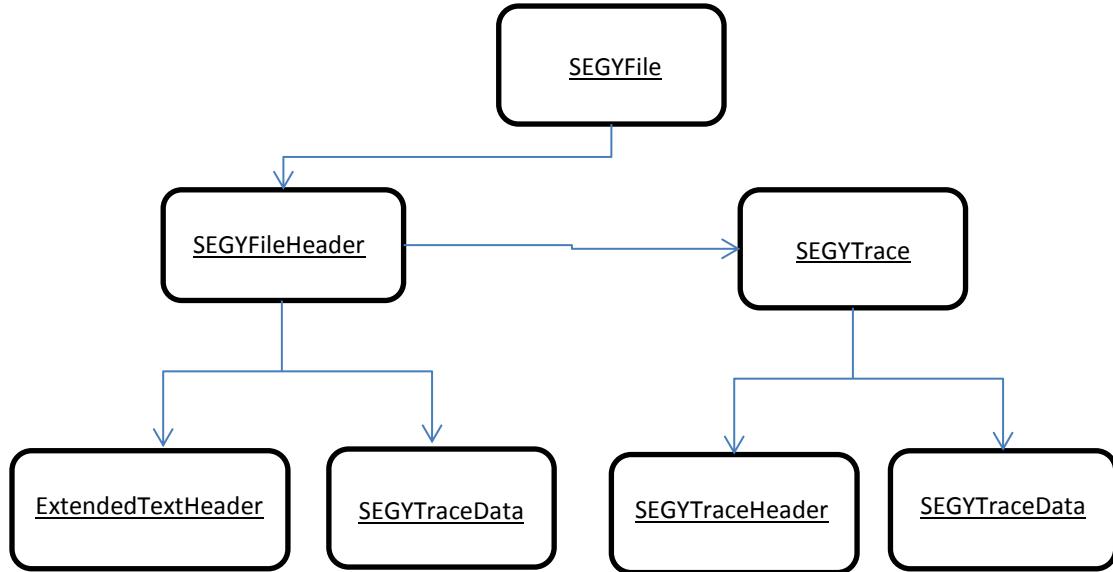


Fig. 1 Class Hierarchy

The SEGY-Y has been structured into a treed class structure that strongly reflects the byte stream blocked structure upon which it was derived. The byte stream blocks from the source file are stored directly in byte arrays within the class structure in their original byte order (big-endian or little endian). The SEGY attributes are accessed through properties that dynamically access these original byte organized block structures. This feature allows a structured pathway for the reinterpretation of SEGY attributes that will allow the user to accommodate local variations in the implementation of the SEG-Y standard by different vendors and organizations.

Release Details

The Visual Studio project tree containing source code and the compiled class library are included in this release as open source for unrestricted general use. The code only relies on one open source external library (URL: <http://www.codeproject.com/Articles/492449/Transform-between-IEEE-IBM-or-VAX-floating-point>) used to convert to and from IBM floating point format. This portion is subject to the Code Project Open License (CPOL) 1.02 (<http://www.codeproject.com/info/cpol10.aspx>) which is unrestrictive to any application. This release also contains an XML schema that can be used to validate XML instances of SEGYlib.

The release is in either zip or CD/DVD format and the file structure is as follows:

Name	Path	Remarks
SEGYlib.dll	SEGYLib\Release	.Net 4.5 library for SEGYlib
Converters.dll	SEGYLib\Release	.Net 4.5 library for IBM floating point converter
SEGYlib	SEGYLib	C# source tree for SEGYlib (VS2013)
Converters	SEGYLib	C# source tree for Converters (VS2013)
SEGYLib.docx	SEGYLib	MS Office 2010 version of this document
SEGYLib.pdf	SEGYLib	PDF version of this document
SEGYlib Library Reference Manual.docx	SEGYLib	MS Office 2010 version of the complete library reference manual
SEGYlib Library Reference Manual.pdf	SEGYLib	PDF version of the complete library reference manual
SEGYlib Library Reference Manual.chm	SEGYLib	Microsoft Compiled HTML Help version of the complete library reference manual
SEGYlib.xsd	SEGYLib	XML schema of SEGY output
SEGYLibInstall.zip	SEGYLib	Microsoft Install Package for SEGYLib

Description of Class Library

A description of the main objects of the library follows:

SEGYFile

This class is primary interface to read and write SEGY rev 1 formatted files. The details of the public properties, fields and methods can be found in attached library reference guide.

The **SEGYFile** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

	Name	Description
	SEGYFile	Initializes a new instance of the SEGYFile class

Properties

	Name	Description
	currentTrace	last trace read from file
	FileHeader	access to File Header Class
	NumberOfTracesInBuffer	number of traces in Trace list
	Traces	List of traces including data and trace headers

Methods

	Name	Description
	AddTrace	add a trace to the end of the Traces list
	Close	close I/O channels
	CopyAllTraces	make a deep copy of the Traces List
	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object .)
	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object .)
	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object .)
	GoToStartOfTrace	position the stream reader/writer at the start of the n'th trace

	isSEGY	test to see if input file is a SEGY file
	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
	MoveFilePointerToStartOfTraces	move file pointer to the end of the file header blocks
	Open	open or create a SEGY file returns 0 if unsuccessful; 1 if non zero length file ; 2 is empty file
	ReadAllTraceHeaders	read all trace headers but don't load trace data
	ReadAllTraces	read all trace headers including trace data
	ReadFileHeader	read the file headers
	ReadNextTrace	read the next trace in the file
	ReadNTraces	read the next n traces in the file
	ReadXML	read an SEGY file in XML format
	ReadXMLFileHeader	read an SEGY file header in XML format
	ReadXMLTrace	read an SEGY trace in XML format
	ReindexTracePositions	re-read the file and reindex the trace locations
	RemoveAllTraces	delete all trace storage
	RemoveTrace	remove trace i from the Traces list
	SkipNTracesOnRead	skip ntraces
	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object .)
	Write(String)	write the entire file to disk
	Write(SEGYFileHeader)	write the file header to disk
	Write(SEGYTrace)	write a trace to disk
	Write(List(SEGYTrace))	write the list Traces to disk
	WriteXML(String)	write the file to XML
	WriteXML(String, SEGYFileHeader)	write the file header to XML
	WriteXML(String, SEGYTrace)	write the trace to XML

Fields

	Name	Description
	isBigEndian	true for big endian file; false little endian

Sample Usage of SEGYFile

Read an entire file

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(inputFileName);
if( !sf.isSEGY() )
{
    sf.Close();
    return;
}
sf.ReadAllTraces();
```

Read only trace headers in case the file is excessive in length

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(inputSEGYfile);
if( !sf.isSEGY() )
{
    sf.Close();
    return;
}
sf.ReadAllTraceHeaders();
```

Read only trace headers in case the file is excessive in length – use this form if you want to use progress bars

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(inputSEGYfile);
sf.MoveFilePointerToStartOfTraces();
sf.Traces = new List<SEGYlib.SEGYTrace>();
while (sf.ReadNextTrace())
{
    SEGYlib.SEGYTrace tr = sf.currentTrace;
    tr.Data = d;
    tr.TraceData.TraceDataBuffer = null; // dump the trace data
    sf.Traces.Add(tr);
    c++;
    // put progress bar update here
}
sf.Close();
```

Create a new SEGY file from using an existing one as a template

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(this.openFileDialog1.FileName); // open an existing SEGY file
if( !sf.isSEGY() )
{
    sf.Close();
    return;
}

SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf2 = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile(); // create a new SEGY file
sf2.Open(outputFileName);

sf2.FileHeader = sf.FileHeader.Copy(); // copy the input trace header
sf2.Write(sf2.FileHeader); // write out the header

while ( sf.ReadNextTrace() )
{
    SEGYlib.SEGYTrace tr = sf.currentTrace;

    SEGYlib.SEGYTrace newTr = tr.Copy();

    newTr.sourcePositionX = newx; // do some operations on the traceheader
    newTr.sourcePositionY = newy;

    if ( this.checkBoxCreateMillisecondField.Checked )
    {
        newTr.TraceHeader.lagTimeBMsec = (short) millisecondsCorrectionsToShotTime[c];
        newTr.TraceHeader.timeBasis = (ushort) millisecondsCorrectionsToShotTime[c];
    }
    sf2.Write(newTr);
}

sf.Close();
sf2.Close();
```

Write out a trace in XML format

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(this.openFileDialog1.FileName); // open an existing SEGY file
if( !sf.isSEGY() )
{
    sf.Close();
    return;
}

sf.ReadNextTrace();
sf.WriteXML("text.xml", sf.currentTrace);
sf.Close();
```

SEGYFileHeader Class

Class used for storing and retrieving data stored in the SEGY file Header

The **SEGYFileHeader** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

Name	Description
 SEGYFileHeader	constructor

Properties

Name	Description
 amplitudeRecoveryMethod	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 BinaryFileHeader	access to byte block of Binary File header
 binaryGainRecovered	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 correlatedDataTraces	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 dataSampleFormatCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 ensembleFold	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 ExtendedTextHeader	lead 3200 byte tape header plus any other extended blocks
 fixedLengthTraceFlag	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 impulseSignalPolarity	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 jobIdentificationNumberz	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 lengthOfFileHeader	byte length of file header including extended tape header and binary file header
 lineNumber	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 measurementSystem	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
 numberOfAuxiliaryTracesPerEnsemble	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard

	numberOfDataTracesPerEnsemble	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	numberOfExtendedTextualFileHeaderRecordsFollowing	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	numberOfSamplesPerDataTrace	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	numberOfSamplesPerDataTraceForOriginalFieldRecording	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	reelNumber	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sampleIntervalInMicroseconds	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sampleIntervalInMicrosecondsInOriginalFieldRecording	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	segyFormatRevisionNumber	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sweepCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sweepFrequencyEnd	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sweepFrequencyStart	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sweepLength	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sweepTraceTaperLengthAtEnd	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	sweepTraceTaperLengthAtStart	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	taperType	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	traceNumberSweepChannel	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	traceSortingCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	verticalSumCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard
	vibratoryPolarityCode	attribute defined though segy rev 1 standard

Methods

	Name	Description
 Copy		make a deep copy of the Header
 Equals		Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
 Finalize		Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object .)
 GetFileHeaderText		get a string for the extended tape header
 GetFileHeaderTextByLine		get the Text header by 80 character lines
 GetHashCode		Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object .)
 GetType		Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object .)
 isBigEndian		true for big endian and false for little endian
 isFileHeaderASCII		is the file header encoded with ASCII or EBCDIC
 MemberwiseClone		Creates a shallow copy of the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
 ReadFileHeader		read the file header from disk
 SetFileHeader		set the Text Header by 80 character line
 ToString		Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object .)
 WriteFileHeader		write the file header to disk

Fields

	Name	Description
 isSEGYFileHeaderAscii		true if Text Header is ASCII; false if EBCDIC
 positionOfStartOfDataTraces		file position of start of trace data

Sample Usage of SEGYFileHeader

Examine parts of the file header

```
SEGYlib.SEGYFile sf = new SEGYlib.SEGYFile();
string inputSEGYfile = this.openFileDialog1.FileName;
sf.Open(inputSEGYfile);
if( !sf.isSEGY() )
{
    sf.Close();
    return;
}

string head =  sf.FileHeader.GetFileHeaderText(0); // get the first header data
int code = sf.FileHeader.dataSampleFormatCode ; //read header value
```

SEGYTrace Class

SEGYTrace is used to access and set SEGY rev 1 trace data

Properties

	Name	Description
	codedTime	trace time in DDDHHHMMSSmmm
	Data	signal amplitude
	groupPositionXGSCDIG	GSCA implementation of group position
	groupPositionYGSCDIG	GSCA implementation of group position
	isBigEndian	true if big endian
	isLatLon	is it a lat/lon position or projected
	positionOfTraceInFile	position in bytes
	sourcePositionX	source position X corrected for scaling factors
	sourcePositionY	source position Y corrected for scaling factors
	timeTracedRecorded	DateTime of trace instance
	totalLengthOfTraceData	total number of bytes of trace data in including trace header
	TraceData	access to underlying Trace Data Class
	TraceHeader	access to underlying Trace Header Class

Methods

	Name	Description
	Copy	make a deep copy of a SEGY Trace
	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object .)
	FixMsecField	transcribe msec field in old GSC format the old GSC formatted files used the Time Basis Field 166-167 for storing msec field should use lag b or lag A field this copies 166-167 to 106-107
	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object .)
	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object .)
	Initialize	initilize trace structure
	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object .)
	Write	write a trace to a BinaryWriter stream

SEGYTraceData Class

SEGYTraceData allows access to the contents of the binary trace data

The **SEGYTraceData** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

	Name	Description
	SEGYTraceData	SEGYTraceData allows access to the contents of the binary trace data

Properties

	Name	Description
	Data	a double precision view of the trace data use this to read and change the contents of the trace data buffer
	DataCopy	Use this if you want to change the data values as SEGYTraceData.Data always returns values in the trace data buffer
	TraceDataBuffer	access to byte[] trace data block

Methods

	Name	Description
	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object .)
	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object .)
	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object .)
	Initialize	Initialize the class
	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object .)

SEGYTraceHeader Class

The **SEGYTraceHeader** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

	Name	Description
	SEGYTraceHeader	SEGYTraceHeader is used to access and change contents of the binary trace header data block

Properties

	Name	Description
	aliasFilterSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	aliasFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	bigEndian	true if big endian
	coordinateUnits	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	correlated	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	crossLineNumber3D	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	dataUse	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	datumElevationAtReceiverGroup	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	datumElevationAtSource	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	dayOfYear	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	delayRecordingTimeMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	deviceTraceIdentifier	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	distanceFromCenterOfSourcePointToCenterOfGroup	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	energySourcePointNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	ensembleNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

	gainTypeOfFieldInstruments	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	gapSize	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	geophoneGroupNumberOfLastTraceWithinOriginalFieldRecord	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	geophoneGroupNumberOfRollSwitchPositionOne	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	geophoneGroupNumberOfTraceNumberOneWithinOriginalFieldRecord	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	groupCoordinateX	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	groupCoordinateY	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	groupStaticCorrectionMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	highCutFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	highCutSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	hourOfDay	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	inLineNumber3D	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	instrumentEarlyOrInitialGainDB	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	instrumentGainConstantDB	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	lagTimeAMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	lagTimeBMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	lowCutFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	lowCutSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	minuteOfHour	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	muteTimeEndTimeMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

	muteTimeStartTimeMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	notchFilterSlopeDBOctave	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	notchFrequencyHz	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	numberOfHorizontallySummedTracesYieldingThisTrace	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	numberOfSamplesInTrace	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	numberOfVerticallySummedTracesYieldingThisTrace	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	originalFieldRecordNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	overTravel	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	receiverGroupElevation	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sampleIntervalUsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	scalarAppliedToShotPointNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	scalarForAllElevationsAndDepths	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	scalarToBeAppliedToAllCoordinates	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	scalarUsedToScaleTraceHeaderMSecTimes	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	secondOfMinute	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	shotpointNumber	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceStaticCorrectionMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceCoordinateX	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceCoordinateY	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceDepthBelowSurface	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

	sourceEnergyDirectionExponent	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceEnergyDirectionMantissa	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceMeasurementExponent	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceMeasurementMantissa	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceMeasurementUnit	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sourceType	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	subweatheringVelocity	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	surfaceElevationAtSource	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sweepFrequencyAtEnd	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sweepFrequencyAtStart	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sweepLengthInMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sweepTaperLengthAtEndMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sweepTaperLengthAtStartMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	sweepType	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	taperType	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	timeBasis	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	totalStaticMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	TraceHeaderBuffer	SEGYTraceHeader storage block
	traceIdentificationCode	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	traceNumberWithinEnsemble	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

	traceNumberWithinOriginalFieldRecord	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	traceSequenceNumberWithinFile	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	traceSequenceNumberWithinLine	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	traceValueMeasurementUnit	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	traceWeightingFactor	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	transductionConstantExponent	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	transductionConstantMantissa	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	transductionUnits	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	upholeTimeAtGroupMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	upholeTimeAtSourceMsec	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	waterDepthAtGroup	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	waterDepthAtSource	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	weatheringVelocity	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	xCoordinateOfEnsemble	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	yCoordinateOfEnsemble	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
	yearDataRecorded	refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation

Methods

	Name	Description
	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object .)

 GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object .)
 GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object .)
 Initialize	initialize object
 MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
 ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object .)

SEGYUtilities Class

SEGYUtilities for use in reading and writing SEGY files

The **SEGYUtilities** type exposes the following members.

Constructors

	Name	Description
 	SEGYUtilities	Initializes a new instance of the SEGYUtilities class

Methods

	Name	Description
 	Bytes2Int	convert bytes to long int
 	ConvertAsciiToEbcdic	convert an ASCII byte array to an EBCDIC byte array
 	ConvertEbcdicToAscii	convert an EBCDIC byte array to an ASCII byte array
 	convertPositionToInt	convert a position to a SEGY trace header integer
 	convertToPosition	convert a SEGY trace header positional value to position
 	decimalDegreesToDMS	convert decimal degrees to degrees-minutes-seconds
 	degreesToSecondsOfArc	convert decimal degrees to seconds of arc
 	dmsToDecimalDegrees	convert degrees-minutes-seconds to decimal degrees
 	Equals	Determines whether the specified Object is equal to the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
 	Finalize	Allows an object to try to free resources and perform other cleanup operations before it is reclaimed by garbage collection. (Inherited from Object .)
 	GetHashCode	Serves as a hash function for a particular type. (Inherited from Object .)
 	GetType	Gets the Type of the current instance. (Inherited from Object .)
 	Int2Bytes	convert a long int to bytes
 	MemberwiseClone	Creates a shallow copy of the current Object . (Inherited from Object .)
 	secondsOfArctoDegrees	convert seconds of arc to decimal degrees
 	ToString	Returns a string that represents the current object. (Inherited from Object .)

Extending Class for Local Variants to SEGY Standard

In the past, some organizations have used fields in the binary file header and/or the binary trace headers to store information not conforming to the published SEGY standard. This class structure can be easily amended by adding a property to the relevant class that gets and sets data from the stored byte array blocks.

For example, to retrieve and set source coordinate X positions from the header, the following property is written the SEGYTraceHeader class:

```
/// <summary>
/// refer to SEGY rev 1 documentation
/// </summary>
public int sourceCoordinateX
{
    get
    {
        // 72 is the byte location in the header, 4 is the wordlength of an int
        return (int)SEGYUtilities.Bytes2Int(this.iTraceHeaderBuffer, 72, 4, true, isBigEndian);
    }
    set
    {
        SEGYUtilities.Int2Bytes((long)value, true, this.iTraceHeaderBuffer, 72, 4, isBigEndian);
    }
}
```

which uses the SEGYUtilities method, Bytes2Int and Int2Bytes, to retrieve and store this information in the trace header byte array block.

The GSC had stored non-conformant positional information in the trace header in the group coordinate X location in the trace header byte array block. This non-conformant property is retrieved by adding the following to the SEGYTrace class:

```
/// <summary>
/// GSCA implementation of group position
/// </summary>
public double groupPositionXGSCDIG
{
    get
    {
        return SEGYUtilities.convertToPosition(this.iSEGYTraceHeader.groupCoordinateX, 3, -1e6);
    }
    set
    {
    }
}
```

An updated schema can be regenerated using the Microsoft's XML Schema Definition Tool, XSD.exe

References

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Appendix 1 – XML Schema for SEGYlib

```
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