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ODP borehole observatory 1200C, drilled into the South Chamorro seamount and instrumented with Circulation Obviation Retrofit Kit (CORK), provided information about natural fluid pressure within this forearc crust. The seafloor and formation pressure data recorded hourly and shown fluctuations that are caused largely by the ocean tides. The data also shown two transient pressures increase at the time of two earthquakes. Harmonic analysis provides a simpler way to analyze the periodic tidal signals that constitute the pressure records. By using the result of the harmonic analysis and applying simple theory of formation response to tidal loading, developed by Wang & Davis, the hydrogeologic character of the non-accretionary forearc environment, particularly permeability, can be determined. In this thesis, the way to calculate the permeability of the South Chamorro seamount using CORK-pressure response to tidal loading method and its implication is explained.

The resultant bulk permeability of the seamount is  $1.42 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$ , with a range between about  $1.18$  to  $1.79 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$ , that represent the permeability of this formation within the scale of about 176 meter around the CORK-borehole. By using this method we could determine the permeability that represent the formation over the larger scale of investigation relative to other methods,

especially the core-based method as the most common method used to determine permeability. In order to test whether the earthquake would be a factor that would change the permeability of this formation, an analysis is performed, adopting the way that was used in oceanic crust. From the analysis, we could imply that earthquake has negligible effect in changing the formation permeability and it is suggested that this is caused by the elastic behavior of the formation. The matrix frame of this formation, as the component that affect the elastic behavior, is implied to be highly compressible, with its calculated bulk moduli of  $0.652 \pm 0.15$  GPa. The forearc crust has more elastic behavior if compare to the oceanic crust.

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# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

Fluid flow in the oceanic crust and through the seafloor occurs in passive continental margins, accretionary and nonaccretionary prisms, mid-ocean ridges, and ridge flanks. It has important effects on the evolution of the lithosphere and on many natural processes, such as deformation processes, subsurface biosphere, and mineral or ore generation. To understand these processes, scientists need to quantify the parameters of this flow. Permeability, which is defined as a measure of the capability of the formation to transmit fluid along a non-hydrostatic pressure gradient (Becker and Davis, 2004), is a property that most directly controls the rates and patterns of the fluid circulation that is important in transferring heat from a cooling lithosphere, in carrying solutes to the seafloor and in altering the composition and physical properties of the crust (Davis et al., 2000). Hence, a good understanding of permeability in the formation of the crust is critical in order to reveal the hydrogeological conditions, as it can be used as one of the constraints for modeling the hydrogeological processes of the crust.

Resolving or constraining the physical and chemical nature of this crustal fluid flow beneath the ocean can be done in part by downhole measurements and sampling. The effort to understand fluid flow within oceanic crust drove scientists to develop long-term subseafloor observatories called Circulation-

Obviation Retrofit Kits (CORKs) (Davis et al., 1992). CORKs generally include pressure gauges, a set of temperature sensors and borehole fluid sampling as downhole instrumentation in boreholes drilled by the Ocean Drilling Program (ODP). The Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) was an international partnership of scientists and research institutions that conduct study into Earth history and structure that are recorded in the ocean basin in order to get a better understanding of plate tectonic processes, Earth's crustal structure and composition, environmental conditions in ancient oceans, and climate change (ODP Final Technical Report, 2007).

Drilling will induce pressure differentials that cause flow between the formation and water column. This flow generates large perturbations that could cause the natural condition of pressures, temperatures and fluid composition to be impossible to determine accurately (Elderfield et al, 2004). CORKs were developed to overcome this problem, by sealing the borehole to let the formation recover back to its equilibrium state. By deploying these instruments, the natural fluid pressure and temperature within the crust could be monitored in-situ and information about thermal, chemical, hydrological, and even biological processes in the crust could be collected.

CORKs have been deployed in various settings where natural fluid fluxes are large, such as in ridge flank and subduction zones. CORKs have been deployed in ODP holes during Legs 139 (Juan de Fuca Ridge), 156 (Barbados accretionary prism), 168 (Juan de Fuca Ridge), 174B (Mid-Atlantic Ridge), and 195 (South Chamorro Seamount) to further understand the fluid budgets

(Salisbury et al., 2002). Studies using CORK data that had been well documented are by far concentrated on the ridge flanks, because they host the greatest proportion of total fluid flow through the seafloor (Elderfield et al., 2004).

In this study, we focus on using the in-situ pressure data from a CORK observatory deployed in a subduction setting, specifically borehole 1200C that was drilled into subseafloor of South Chamorro seamount in Mariana Forearc crust during ODP leg 195. This CORK pressure data will be used to reach the objective of this study, which is to determine and constrain the hydraulic properties, particularly permeability, within this setting. The CORK deployed in this hole was the first to permit study of a non-accretionary subduction environment (Salisbury et al., 2002). Study in oceanic crust (ridge flank) will be used as reference for this study.

## **1.2. Study Area**

### **1.2.1 Mariana Forearc: South Chamorro Seamount**

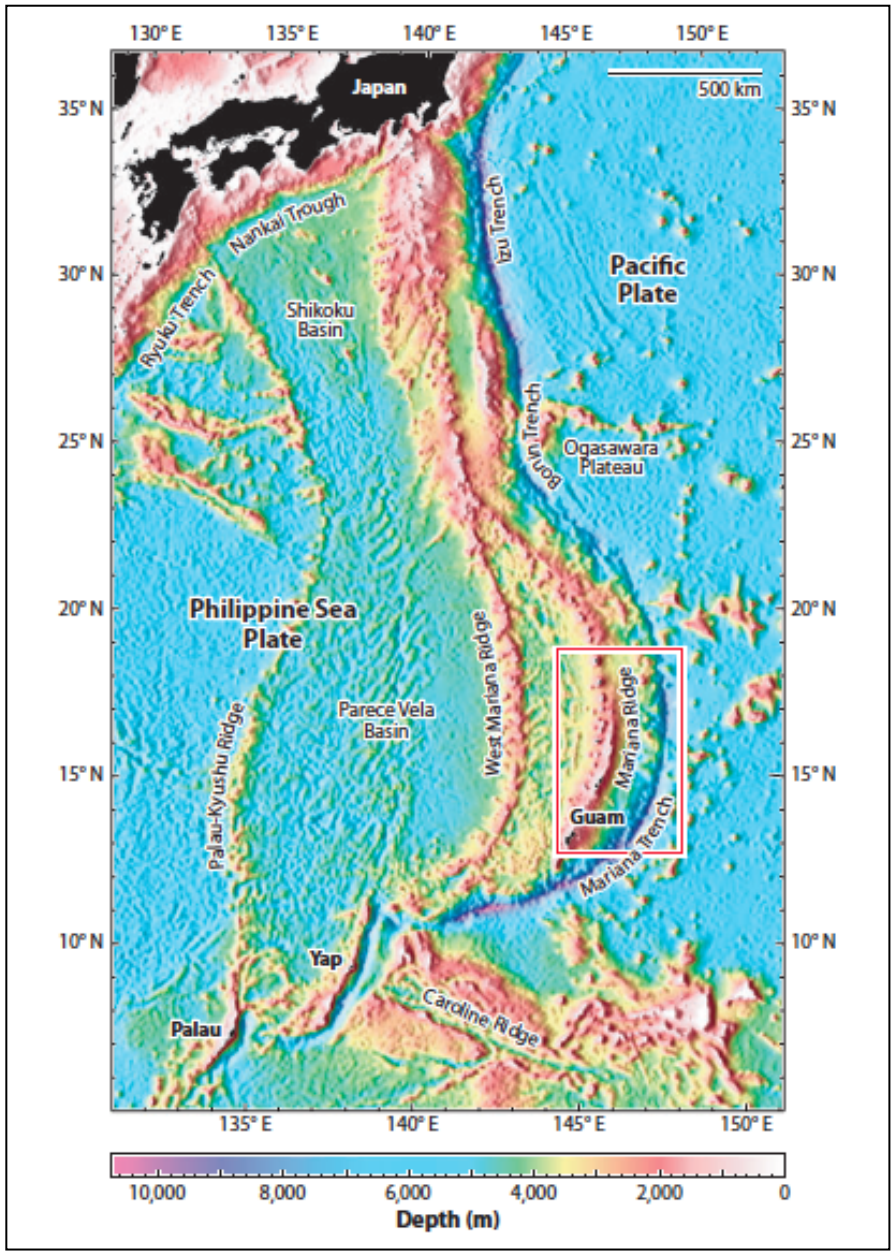
The Mariana forearc region is located between the trench and the island arc, within the Mariana convergent margin that was formed as a result of the subduction of old (Jurassic ~170 Mya) western Pacific Oceanic plate beneath the Philippine Sea plate. This study area is non-accretionary, i.e. it has an absence of a large prism of accreted sediment. There is only relatively thin (<500 m) volcanoclastic or pelagic sediment cover on the inner trench slope (Oakley, 2007). Non-accretionary forearc convergent margins have been relatively under-studied compared to accretionary margins because the presence of abundant sediment

in accretionary convergent margins has more advantages, for example to study hydrocarbon or ore generation, water-rock (sediment) interaction, engineering and disposal system for hazardous waste. Nevertheless, a non-accretionary convergent margin has advantages in providing the direct access to study the deeper region (i.e. the tip of a downgoing slab and mantle region) that is currently unreachably by drilling. During the subduction process, some of the raw materials including fluid from the downgoing plate are released into the forearc crust and mantle and then hydrate (serpentinize) the forearc mantle, which flows back to the seafloor through the lithosphere. Thus, the lack of overlying sediments is believed to allow the fluid and material produced at the seafloor to preserve the original signal from the downgoing slab and hydrated mantle. On the other hand, the interaction of the slab fluid with the thick sediment in an accretionary type margin could modify its composition that will make it difficult to study the geochemical & fluid budget in convergent margin (Salisbury et al., 2002).

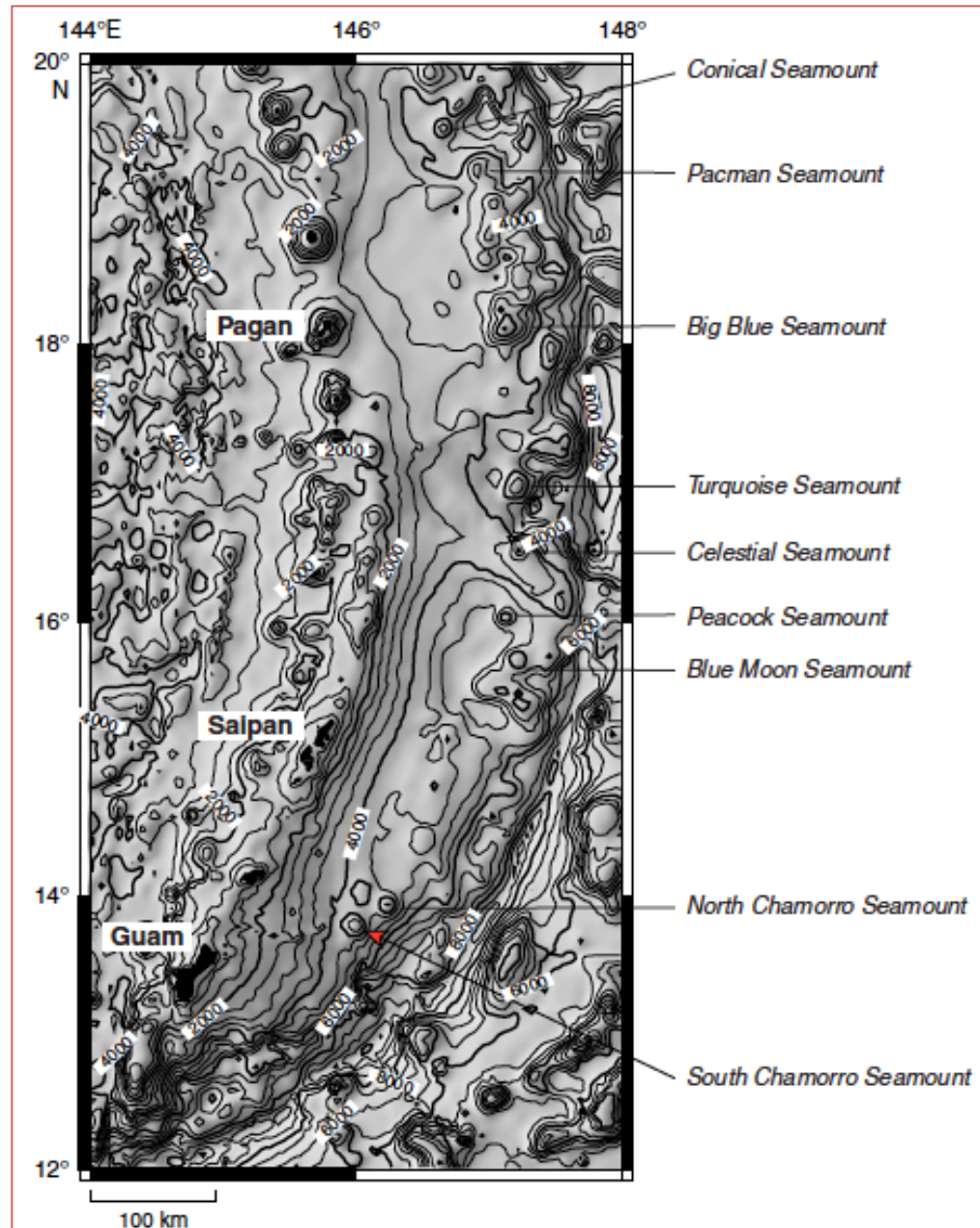
Knowing the original fluid composition is important to determine the pressure and temperature conditions at the depth of its origin (Salisbury et al, 2002), which could provide some constraints for modeling subduction processes. This slab-derived fluid can be accessed via active serpentinite seamounts. South Chamorro seamount, located about 85 km away from the Mariana trench and under 2930 meters of water depth, is one of the active seamounts in Mariana Forearc region (**Figure 1.1**). This seamount was chosen as a site for study because this seamount is still active, identified by the presence of low



temperature springs and also the presence of mussel beds and other organisms that were being fed by the nutrients coming out from this spring. The summit 200-m-high tumescent knoll of this seamount was drilled for ODP leg 195 and is called Site 1200.



**Figure 1.1:** Color Bathymetry map showing the study area in a regional context. Red box is the position of figure 1.2. South Chamorro seamount is at 2930 meters of water depth. Figure from Fryer, 2012.



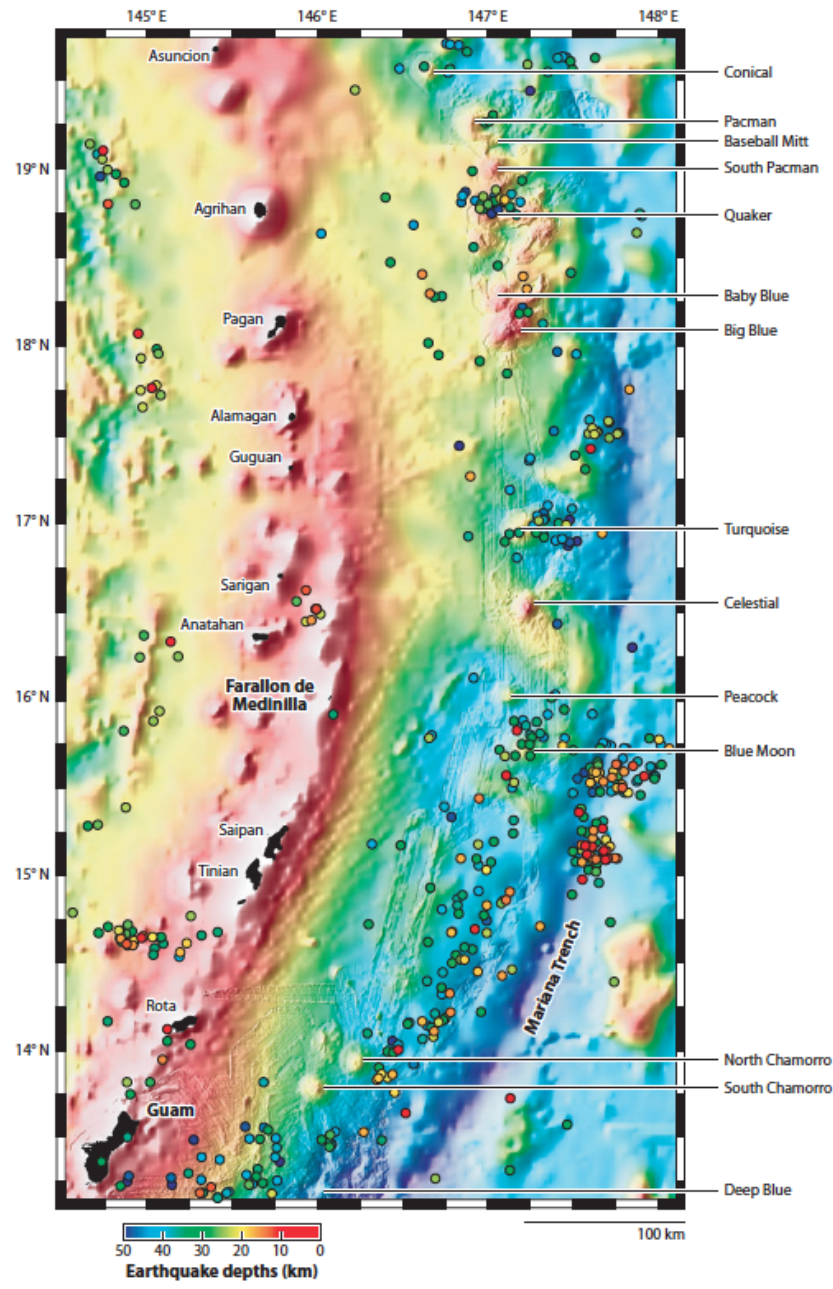
**Figure 1.2:** Bathymetry of Southern Mariana forearc (500-m contour interval) showing the major seamounts. South Chamorro seamount positioned at  $13^{\circ}47'N$ ,  $146^{\circ}00'E$  where borehole 1200C is located. Figure from Salisbury et al., 2002.

The seamount represents the output of subduction. It was formed by the serpentinization of the rocks with hydrated slab and mantle material and crustal fluid below the Mariana plate. This created the so-called serpentinite mud that then rose to the seafloor from a central conduit and many faults. A study by

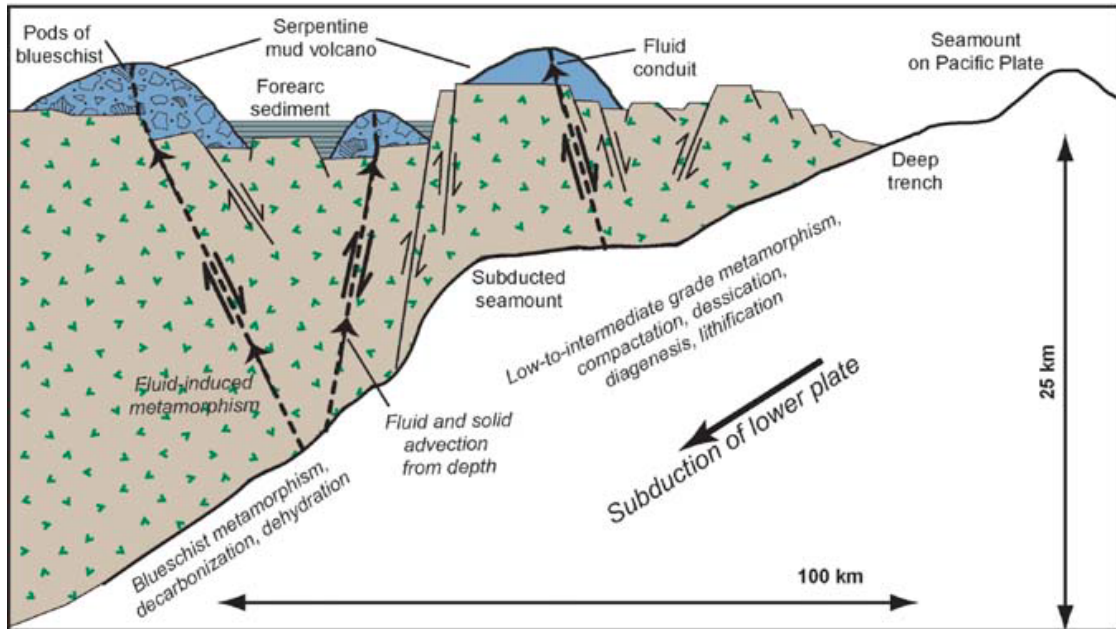
Fryer, 2012 about serpentinite mud volcanism in Mariana forearc summarized that in order for serpentinite mud volcanism to occur, extensional tectonics is required, rather than diapiric mechanisms (as in salt-dome formation). This statement was based on the information that "the serpentine mudflow material is less dense than surrounding peridotite (Ballotti et al. 1992) and should tend to rise because of gravitational instability, but a mixture of serpentinitized fault gouge and slab-derived fluids would not be strong enough (e.g., Phipps & Ballotti 1992) to push, diapirically, through surrounding massive peridotite". A conduit for the rise of the serpentinite mud must be created. However, the dynamics of the conduit processes are still unknown. Also, whether seismic activity triggers the eruptive events is still unclear, because some seamounts in the Mariana forearc are associated with clusters of earthquakes, whereas some are not (Fryer 2012). From **Figure 1.3**, South Chamorro seamount is shown not associated with cluster of earthquakes

Based on the analysis of the mud and core samples collected from this Site 1200, South Chamorro seamount is composed mainly of silty clay-sized serpentinite mantle peridotite, and greenschist plus blueschist fragments (Salisbury et al, 2002). Study of pore-fluids in samples from Conical seamount founded that the subducting slab is a source of the serpentinitizing fluids and related the change in composition of the fluids with depth to the slab beneath the forearc (Fryer, 2012). From multi-channel seismic data, the downgoing slab lies at around 20 km below the seamount (Oakley, 2007). It was also recognized that chimney structures closer to the trench are composed of brucite, whereas those

farther away are carbonate (Fryer et al. 1999).



**Figure 1.3:** Color bathymetry map of Mariana Forearc region showing earthquake locations. Clusters of earthquakes are primarily associated with Blue Moon, Turquoise and Quaker Seamounts. Cluster of events closest to South Chamorro Seamount is found at about 60 km away. Figure from Fryer, 2012.

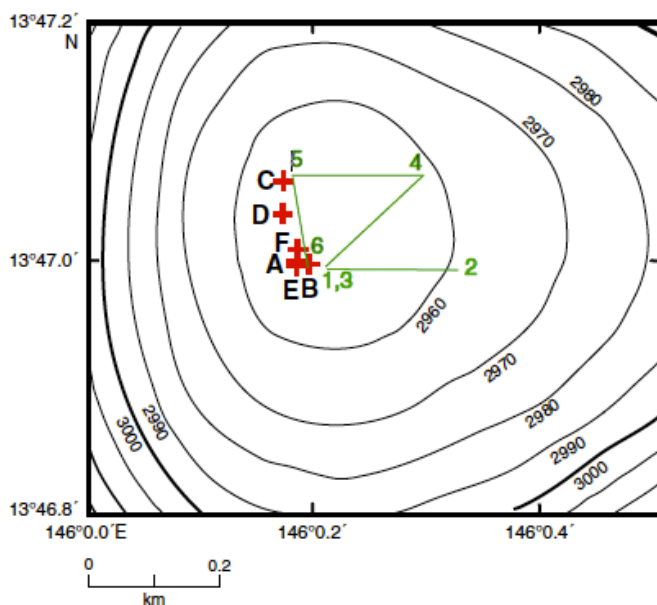


**Figure 1.4:** Schematic cross section through Mariana subduction system. Strike slip faulting and along strike extension provide pathways for slab-derived fluids to flow. Figure from Fisher, 2005.

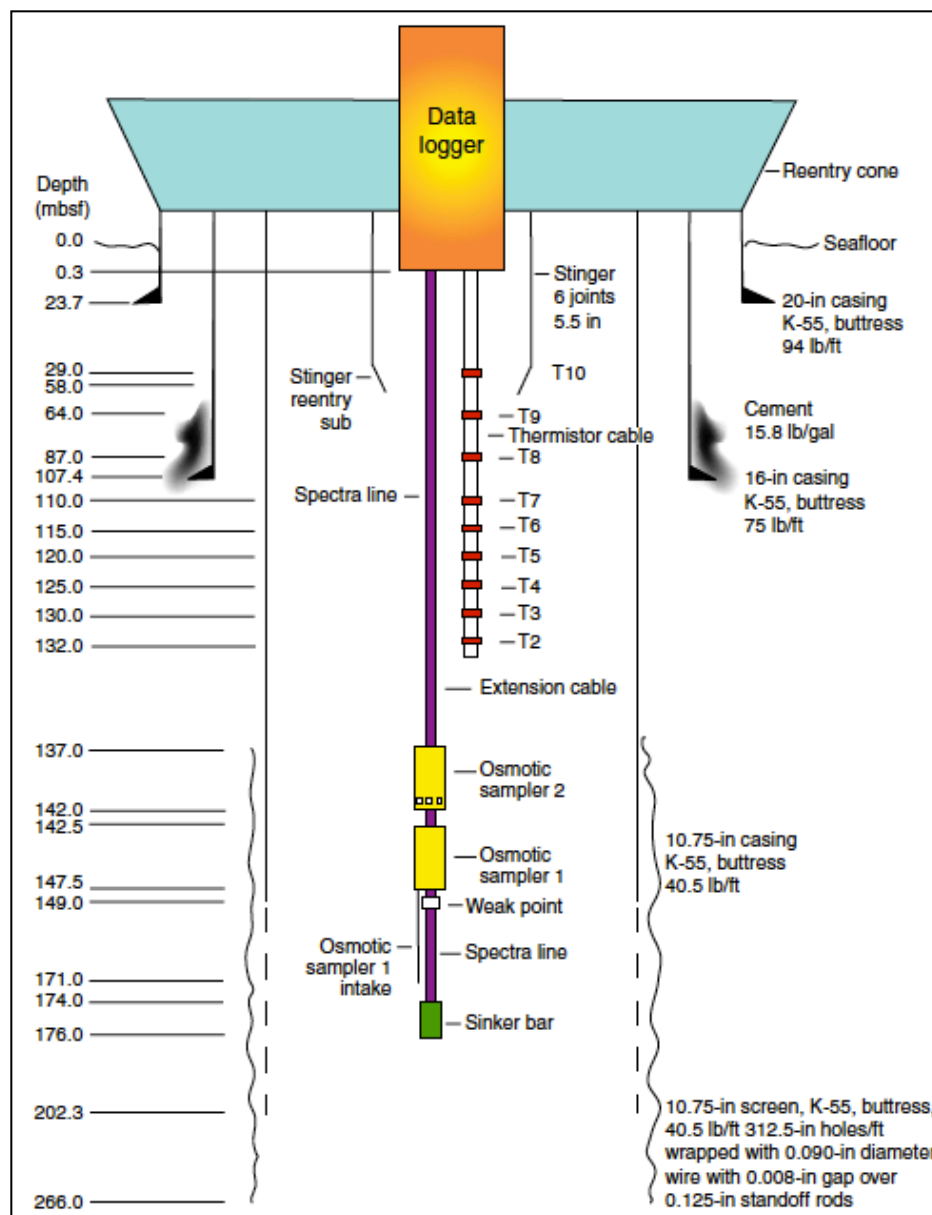
### 1.2.2 Borehole 1200C

Borehole 1200C was drilled on top of South Chamorro seamount at 13°47'N, 146°00'E to a depth of 266 meters below the seafloor (mbsf). This borehole was then instrumented with a Circulation Obviation Retrofit Kit (CORK) that consists of: a casing seal, two pressure transducers, temperature thermistors and two osmotic fluid samplers. This CORK was designed to hydrologically seal a selected section of formation to prevent flow of water into or out of the borehole. During drilling, the formation pressure and temperature condition was perturbed by the injection of cold, dense seawater used as drilling fluid into the warm, less dense formation fluid. CORK sealing allows the formation pressure to recover from the thermal and chemical effects of drilling and approach pre-drilling conditions, so that in-situ hydrological conditions can

be monitored long-term (Davis et al, 1992). Formation fluids could flow into the borehole through the perforated and screened casing section from depth 149 to 202.3 mbsf. The shallower portion of the hole was completely cased, so formation pressures from 149 to 202.3 mbsf were transmitted to the data logger assembly (**Figure 1.6**). Pressures transducers (located inside the data logger assembly) recorded hourly the seafloor and formation pressures starting from the first of CORK deployment on March 25, 2001 until March 17, 2003. Pressure data were downloaded on March 23, 2003, by an ROV (Remote Operating Vehicle). There was no core sample recovered from borehole 1200C during the drilling process. Core samples were collected from nearby boreholes 1200D, 1200E and 1200F that are located at about 40 m, 125 m and 105 m south of hole 1200C, (**Figure 1.5**) and reached depth of 44.4 mbsf, 56.4 mbsf and 16.3 mbsf, respectively (Salisbury et al, 2002).



**Figure 1.5:** Position of Site 1200 holes. Figure from Salisbury et al., 2002



**Figure 1.6:** Schematic of Circulation Obviation Retrofit Kits (CORKs) deployed in ODP Leg 195 Site 1200C. Figure from Salisbury et al., 2002.

### 1.3 Datasets

Formation pressure and seafloor pressure records are the primary data for this study. For the initial deployment in 2001, Hole 1200C CORK pressure data logger was set to record pressure every 10 minutes. This was changed to record

the pressure once per hour starting at 15:00 on March 25, 2001. At the beginning, following the CORK installation, the formation pressure shows a gradual build up (rise) as the result of recovery from drilling perturbation and returns to its pre-drilling state. Fluid pressure in the formation and on the seafloor show fluctuations that are caused predominantly by the periodic load of ocean tides on the seafloor and the changes of atmospheric pressure. There are also two transient peaks observed on both formation and seafloor pressure that were recorded at the time of earthquake events (**Figure 1.7**). The first event was on October 12, 2001 at 15:2:23.3 GMT, which occurred at about 165 km away from 1200C with 7.0 moment magnitude (Mw). The second event on April 26, 2002 at 16:6:13.9 GMT was at 168 km away from 1200C with 7.0 Mw (Data from International Seismological Centre, 2011, Vinas, 2013).

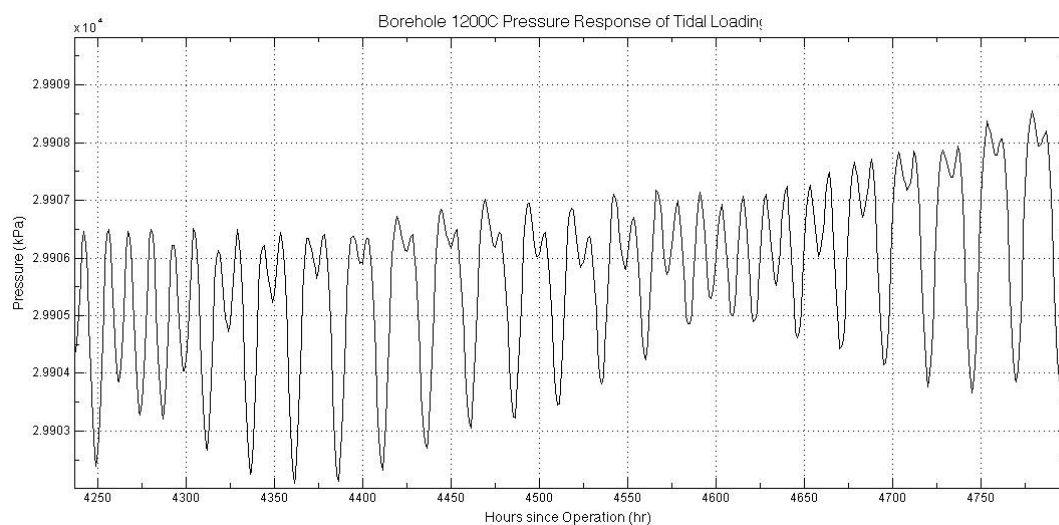
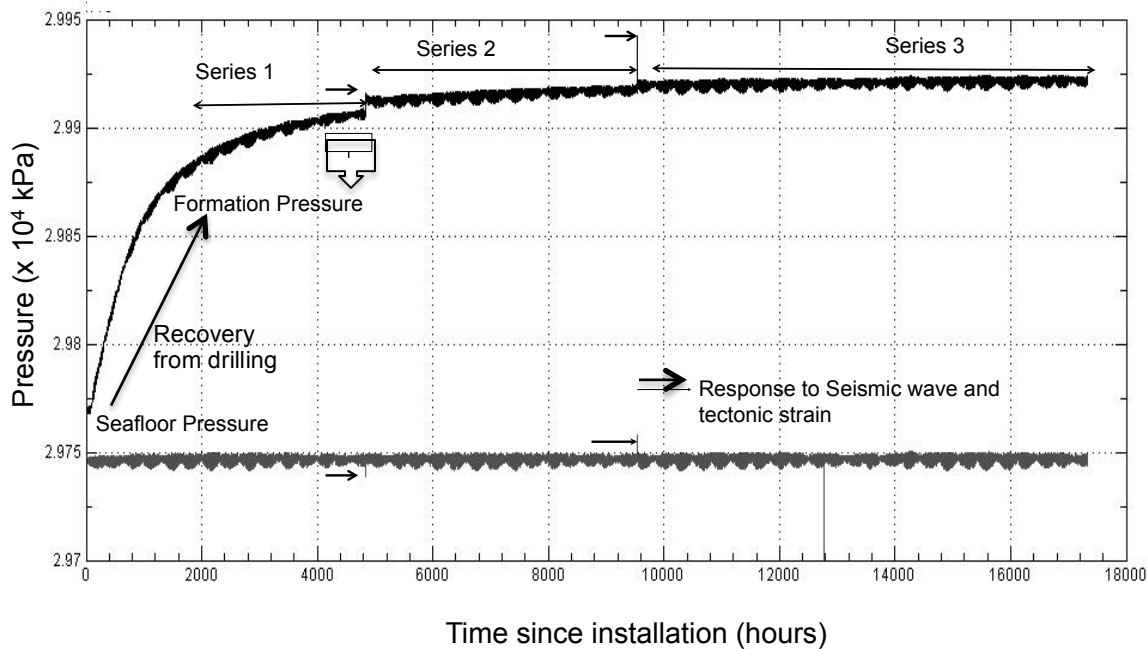
These observed transient responses of formation pressure to external forcing recorded in CORK data could be used in two methods to estimate and constrain permeabilities. They are: 1) The seafloor tidal loading method that uses the effect of seafloor tidal loading on sub-seafloor pressures and 2) The in-situ pressure response to tectonic strain events. These methods had previously been applied in most CORK boreholes in igneous oceanic crust setting. These so-called CORK methods could resolve the permeability over much larger scale of investigation when compared to other methods to estimate permeability as can be seen in **Table 1.1** (Becker and Davis, 2004).



**Table 1.1** Approximate lateral scales of investigation for methods used to determine permeabilities of igneous oceanic crust (After Becker and Davis, 2004)

Measurement Method	Approximate scale of investigation (km)
Slug Test	0.001 – 1
Injection Test	0.1 - 10 (test up to 30 minute duration)
Borehole flow thermal methods	1.0 - 10 (depending on duration of flow)
CORK methods and inference from basement isothermality	5.0 - 100 (requires multiple observation points or knowledge of drainage path)

In this study, we will use the naturally occurring fluctuations by ocean tidal loading method in order to determine the formation hydraulic properties. We will only use the hourly-recorded data that are not perturbed by drilling. The transient rise of signals affected by the earthquake also needs to be removed before performing the data analysis. Therefore, before performing the data analysis using this method, the pressure data will be separated into three time series: (1) before the first earthquake event, (2) between the two earthquakes and (3) after the second earthquake (**Figure 1.7**). The first series started on the record 2700 hours after installation, from June 16, 2001 until an hour before the earthquake (118 days). The time *series 2* started a month after the first earthquake until an hour before the second earthquake (165 days). Time *series 3* had about 234 days from a month after the second earthquake until the last record of pressure data on March 17, 2013.



**Figure 1.7:** Pressure data plot versus time since installation. Fluctuation of seafloor and formation pressure observed (see the enlarged portion) as response to tidal loading. The formation pressures show the recovery of the formation pressures from drilling in the beginning and two pressure transients caused by tectonic strain (Earthquake).

In order to infer and calculate permeability using this tidal loading method, we need to know other formation properties. Poisson's ratio was obtained from measurement of core samples (Courtier et al, 2002). Porosity was taken from

the Wheat et al. (2008) study in Mariana forearc crust. Fluid viscosity, bulk moduli of fluid and bulk moduli of solid constituent of matrix were from reference in oceanic crust sediment by Davis et al. (2000) (**Table 1.2**).

**Table 1.2** Formation properties used to determine permeabilities in this study

Formation Properties (Symbol)	Value
Poisson's ratio ( $\nu$ )	0.35 (100% serpentinization)
Porosity ( $n$ )	0.45
Fluid viscosity ( $\mu$ )	0.001 Pa.s
Bulk moduli of fluid ( $K_f$ )	$2.4 \times 10^9$ Pa
Bulk moduli of solid constituent of matrix ( $K_s$ )	$50 \times 10^9$ Pa

#### 1.4. Objectives

Salisbury et al. (2002) stated in the Initial Report of ODP Leg 195 that some of the objectives of drilling at Site 1200 were to:

- 1) Study geochemical cycling and mass transport in subduction zones and forearc of non-accretionary convergent margins, and
- 2) Investigate the physical properties of the subduction zone as controls over dehydration reactions and seismicity.

The objective of this study is related to the second objective: specifically to characterize and to constrain the hydraulic properties, particularly permeability of formation in South Chamorro seamount. For this study, we will use the SI unit for permeability, i.e. the square meter ( $m^2$ ), although the c.g.s. unit, Darcy (D) and millidarcy (mD), are also widely used in petroleum engineering and geology. One Darcy is equivalent to  $9.869233 \times 10^{-13} m^2$ .

## 1.5 Working Hypotheses

In order to focus the objectives of this research, we test two hypotheses:

- 1) The estimated value of permeability using pressure data from in-situ measurement will be greater than core-based measurements and more representative of large-scale formation permeability.

As previously mentioned, the seafloor and formation pressure measured in-situ in CORK boreholes can be used to estimate the permeabilities and resolve much larger scale of investigation in an ocean crustal setting. Measurements using core samples might be the simplest way to estimate the permeability. However, core measurements do not resolve the scale dependence, because of the heterogeneity of formation parameters (Becker and Davis, 2004) and also because fractures may not be sampled in the recovered core, especially from formation with lots of fractured rock. Analysis of in-situ pressure data using the tidal loading method may allow us to estimate permeability that would represent formation scale and would yield greater permeability, as suggested from analysis of CORK data in oceanic crust.

To test this hypothesis in forearc crustal areas, we will use the naturally occurring fluctuations in CORK pressure data that are caused by ocean tidal loading (tidal loading method) to resolve the permeability and then we compare this permeability with permeabilities measured in a previous study within this Mariana Forearc region using other methods. The previous study by Wheat et al. in 2008 included permeability determinations by: (1)

laboratory measurement method of core samples from other active mud volcanoes in Mariana forearc crust (Pacman seamount) and (2) the borehole flow method with radial diffusion equation, constrained by flow rate of fluid from the formation and fluid overpressure measured in-situ in South Chamorro seamount. Permeabilities measured at Pacman Seamount range from  $10^{-17} \text{ m}^2$  to  $10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$  ( $10^{-15}$  to  $10^{-17} \text{ m}^2$  for blue mud samples and  $10^{-13}$  to  $10^{-15} \text{ m}^2$  for volcanic sample). Permeability measured using borehole flow method at Hole 1200C was calculated to be  $6 \times 10^{-14} \text{ m}^2$ .

- 2) Tectonic activity would change and possibly lead to enhancement of the formation permeability.

Hydrogeologic observation in oceanic crust has shown changes in amplitude and phase of the loading response at the time of large strain events. Amplitude and phase of the loading response represents the elastic and hydraulic properties, therefore the observed changes suggest that the properties in oceanic crust are sensitive to strain during earthquakes. These changes are then slowly returned to former values (before the earthquake) over a period of many months (Davis and Becker, 2004). We would like to test this hypothesis in a forearc setting as there are two transient peaks, that were observed in CORKs pressure data for this study and were recorded at the time of earthquake event. We will adopt the method used in oceanic crust to observe the changes in amplitude and phase of the loading response. In addition, the data conditioning, i.e. separating the data into three time series, would also allow us to test this hypothesis.

## **CHAPTER 2**

### **METHODOLOGY**

This study uses CORK pressure data in order to determine the hydrological properties of the South Chamorro seamount. The pressure fluctuations in response to ocean tidal loading observed in the data were analyzed using Tidal Analysis Program in Python (*TAPPy*) and the results were further analyzed by matching it with the theoretical model developed by Wang and Davis (1996) in order to determine the formation properties.

#### **2.1 Pressure Response to Tidal Loading**

The fluctuation of pressure observed in the data is a response to the periodic tidal loading on the seafloor that created periodic changes in overburden pressure and thus affects the formation pressure. The stresses caused by tidal load create strains in the formation that will give changes in pressure. Pressure signals are generated at any boundary where there is a contrast in the elastic properties. At relatively low frequencies, these signals will transfer throughout the elastic medium (formation) with amplitude and phase varies with depth or length of its propagation that depend on formation properties (Davis et al., 2000; Wang and Davis 1996; Van der Kamp and Gale 1983). Therefore, we can use this fluctuation of fluid pressure to deduce formation properties.

The pressure fluctuations induced by tidal loads had been discussed and many authors had developed models that illustrate their relationship with

formation properties. Biot introduced the initial model around the 1940s to describe wave propagation in a poroelastic medium. It was adopted by Van der Kamp and Gale (1983) to develop a model describing the tidal loading effects in fluid pressure response, which in general could be applied in geophysics, geomechanics and engineering field. Wang and Davis (1996) have developed a model for application in hydrogeology in oceanic crust for ODP boreholes. They presented the pore pressure variation models for the simple case of a one-layer media or so-called uniform half-space and for layered media. For this study, we will use the simple uniform half-space model as we consider the lithology of the formation is dominated by serpentinite mud and almost uniform (according to lithostratigraphic study from core sample in Salisbury et al, 2002; **Appendix**), with the primary boundary for the system at the seafloor. For the application in CORK ODP borehole in oceanic crust, this model has been discussed in paper by Davis et al, 2000 and book by Davis and Becker, 2004 and is summarized here to illustrate the method used for the calculation of formation properties in this study.

The formation pressure signals generated by a combination of elastic and diffusive response to time-varying tidal load:

#### Elastic response

The rock is considered as a medium consists of solid matrix and pore fluid that would deform elastically when there is load applied (**Figure 2.1**). When the medium is compressed by the tidal load, the load is shared between the matrix frame and pore fluid. The fraction of load taken up by the fluid is called the

loading efficiency ( $\gamma$ ). When the matrix is less compressible, it will take up more of the load and therefore the fluid takes less of the loads making the loading efficiency small. Conversely, the more compressible the matrix, the fluids will take the greater share of the load, thus the larger the loading efficiency. The load taken by the fluid is the component that contributes to give changes in fluid pressure (formation pressure). Consequently, elastic response depends on the elastic properties. Porosity also contributes to the fluid pressure, where higher porosity will enhance the effect of fluid compressibility (Becker and Davis, 2004). The elastic property is commonly called elastic modulus, which is the inverse of compressibility and is a measure of overall rock stiffness. For the rock system, it consists of three components; bulk moduli of the fluid, bulk moduli of the matrix frame and bulk moduli of the solid constituent of the matrix.

The relation between loading efficiency and elastic properties is simplified by Jacobs (1940), assuming the solid constituents are incompressible (Davis et al, 2001). This simple relation will be used for this study:

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{1 + n\left(\frac{K'}{K_f}\right)} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

**and**

$$K' = 3K \frac{(1 - \nu)}{(1 + \nu)} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

**where**

K =frame bulk modulus (Pa)

K' = 1-Dimensional frame bulk modulus (Pa)

n = porosity,



$\gamma$  = loading efficiency,

$K_f$  = bulk modulus of fluid (Pa)

$\nu$  = Poisson's ratio (of frame?).

The one-dimensional frame bulk modulus means no horizontal deformation of the frame bulk modulus (the compaction is only in the vertical direction and that the strain in the horizontal direction is zero).

### Diffusive response

At low loading frequency, the difference in loading efficiency causes change in fluid pressure, and therefore created pressure gradient across the interface, that will allow fluid to flow and propagate the signal. This pressure gradient that propagates the signal is called diffusive part of the pressure response. The diffusion that occurs is governed by the hydraulic diffusivity ( $\eta$ ). Hydraulic diffusivity is a parameter that combines transmission characteristic (permeability) and storage properties (effective compressibility).

$$\eta = \frac{k}{\mu S} \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

where:

$k$  = permeability ( $m^2$ )

$\mu$  = fluid viscosity (Pa s)

$S$  = effective compressibility ( $Pa^{-1}$ )

$$S = \left( \frac{1}{K} - \frac{1}{K_s} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{2\nu(1-2\nu)}{3(1-\nu)} \right) + n \left( \frac{1}{K_f} - \frac{1}{K_s} \right) \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

**where**

$K$  = frame bulk modulus (Pa)

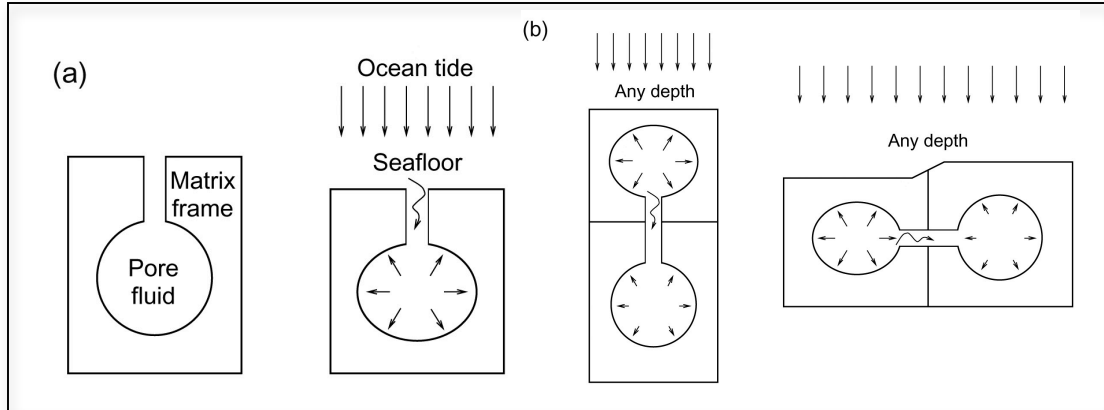
$K_s$  = bulk modulus of solid constituent of matrix (Pa)

$K_f$  = bulk modulus of fluid (Pa)

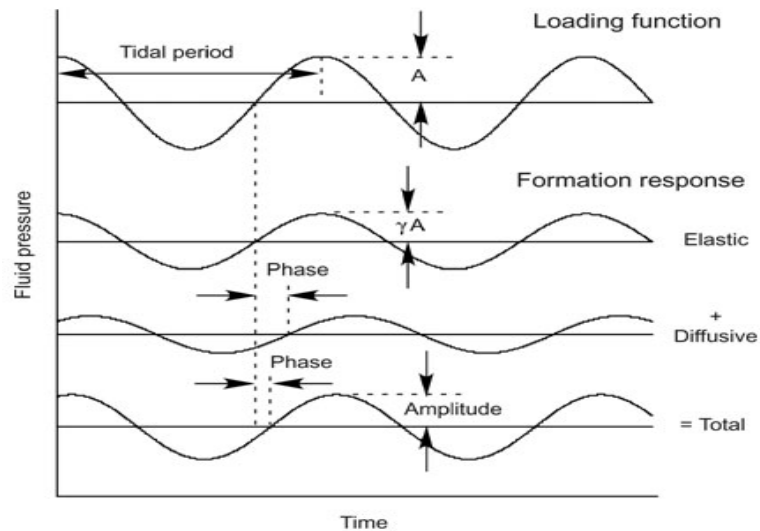
$\alpha$  = elasticity parameter =  $1 - K_f/K_s$  .....(5)

$\nu$  = Poisson's ratio

$n$  = porosity



**Figure 2.1:** Cartoon illustrating a) medium consisting of a solid matrix frame and pore fluid & its elastic response to ocean tide load on the seafloor b) diffusive response: fluid flow (vertical & horizontal direction) caused by the differential fluid pressures created by the contrast in loading efficiencies. Figure from Becker and Davis (2004).



**Figure 2.2:** Illustration of the formation responses to tidal loading. The loading function is the time-varying load in seafloor. Pressure signal attenuates (elastic response) and the phase of the signal is shifted (diffusive response). From Becker and Davis (2004).

Loading efficiency affects the magnitude of the signal’s attenuation as it propagates from the seafloor to the formation and the diffusion occurring within the formation, depending on the distance from this interface, may cause a phase lead or lag of the formation pressure response. When the elastic and diffusive response is combined it shows the signal propagation with amplitude that decreases with depth and phase lead or lag that varies with depth (see **Figure 2.2**).

The solution from Wang (2004) that illustrates the total formation response is as follows:

$$P(z, t) = \sigma_b \left[ \underbrace{\gamma' \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{T}\right)}_{\text{Elastic component}} + \underbrace{(1 - \gamma')e^{-\frac{\pi z}{d}} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{T} - \frac{\pi z}{d}\right)}_{\text{Diffusive component}} \right]$$

Elastic component      Diffusive component

*d*, the penetration depth of diffusive pressure signal, is equal to the half wavelength of this signal that depends on hydraulic diffusivity and period.

$$d = \sqrt{(\pi \eta T)} \dots\dots\dots(6)$$

where:

*d* = penetration depth or propagation length (m)

$\eta$  = hydraulic diffusivity (m<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>)

T = period (sec)

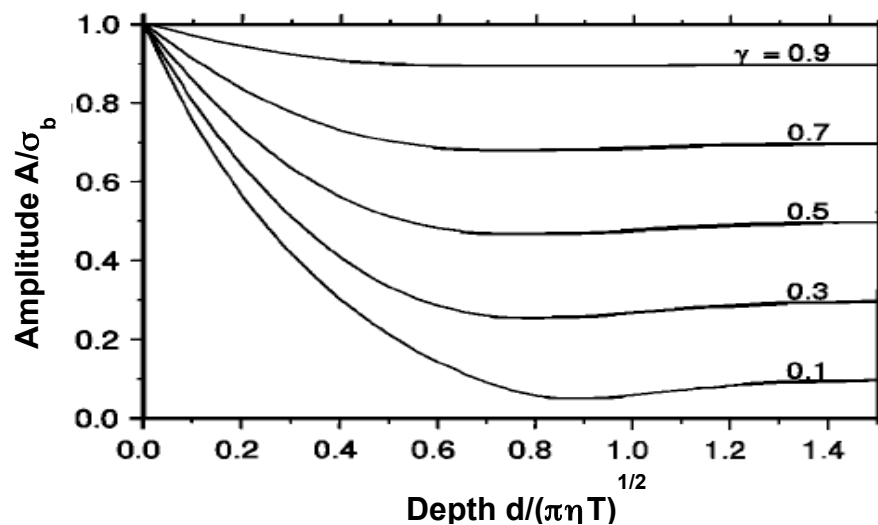
and dimensionless depth

$$\zeta = \frac{d}{\sqrt{\pi \eta T}} \dots\dots\dots(7)$$

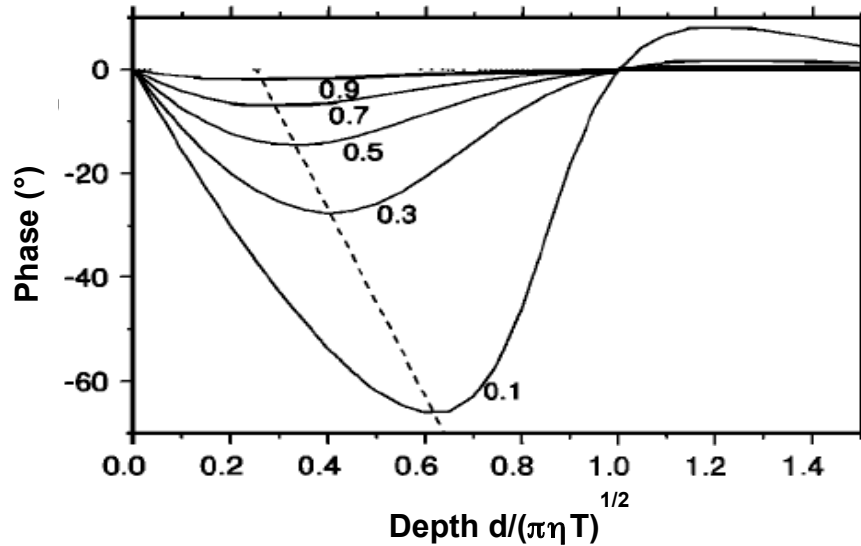
Dimensionless depth of 1 is equal to the half wavelength of the pressure signal of

period  $T$ .

Based on the solution, Wang and Davis plotted the amplitude ratio and the phase difference as functions of the dimensionless depth (**Figure 2.3 & Figure 2.4**). At the penetration depth and deeper, the pore pressure change is almost entirely elastic response, meaning no net fluid flow. At this depth, the amplitude of formation pressure signal is constant with the amount of attenuation and is equal to the loading efficiency of the formation. Hence, the amplitude ratio versus dimensionless depth plot can be used to deduce loading efficiency. Also, at this penetration depth, the formation pressure signal is in phase with the seafloor signal. Therefore, the zero-phase crossing in the plot of phase lag versus dimensionless depth can be used to deduce this penetration depth ( $d$ ). When combined with other formation properties (equations 1 to 4), these deduced parameters, loading efficiency and the penetration depth, allow us to estimate the framework bulk modulus and permeability, respectively.



**Figure 2.3** Plot of Amplitude ratio versus dimensionless depth (Modified from Wang & Davis, 1996)



**Figure 2.4** Plot of Phase difference versus dimensionless depth (Modified from Wang & Davis, 1996)

## 2.2 Harmonic Analysis

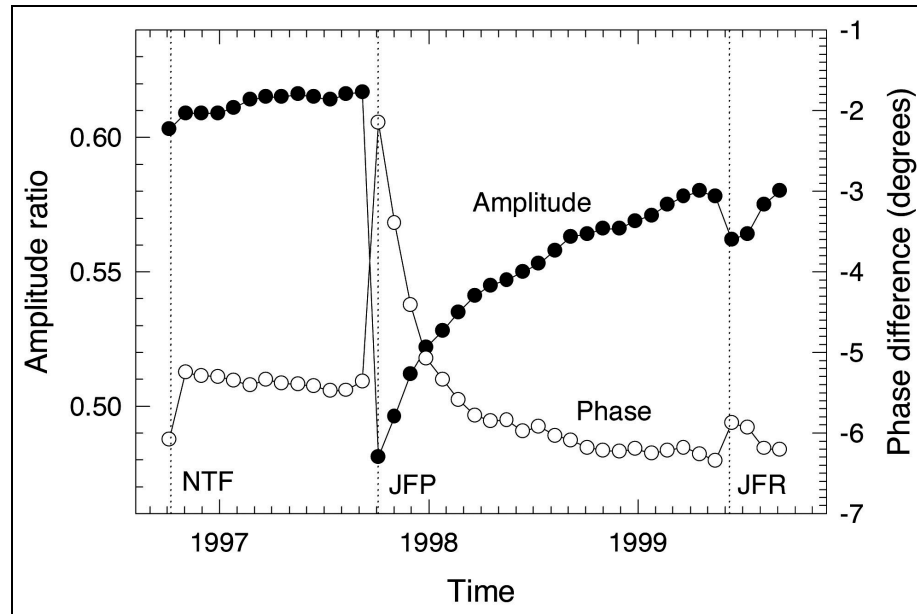
In order to calculate the amplitude and phases for both seafloor pressure and formation pressure, we need to perform harmonic analysis. This analysis decomposes an hourly time-series of pressures into the tidal components, i.e. amplitude and phases of a set of sine waves. One set of sine waves represents waves for one tidal constituent (tidal wave with typical period or frequency). This analysis was performed using Tidal Analysis Program in Python programming software (*TAPPy*) which uses the least squares optimization and other function available in this Python programming software (*SciPy*). As described earlier the pressure data are separated into three series of time: (1) before the first earthquake event, (2) after the first earthquake and (3) after the second earthquake. Harmonic analysis was performed for each series of each type of pressure data. To run the tidal analysis program in Python, these data containing time and pressure built in text format (.txt) and required an additional file called

'data definition', also in text format, used to define the variables inside the main data. One advantage using this program is that we can eliminate if any linear trend, i.e. the sinusoid generated from the long records of pressure does not resemble a tidal cycle, exist in the pressure data only by adding specific code in the command line to run the program. If needed, the tidal effect can be removed with tide elimination filter to get the clean pressure data (de-tide the pressure data). The output contains the tidal components measured for each tidal frequency resolved in the pressure time-series data. The example of data definition file and the result is enclosed in **Appendix**.

### **2.3 Earthquake Effect in Formation Properties**

In order to see if there was any change in the permeability caused by the earthquake, we shall observe if there is any change in both phase and amplitude of the formation response at and after the times of earthquake. We could see the changes between the three time series or for more detail analysis we can break the data into 29 days intervals, this way we will obtain the similar tidal constituents for each interval, and the possibility to include the monthly tidal constituent. This method is adapted from the one used for pressure data from ODP borehole drilled in oceanic crust of the Juan de Fuca area (Davis and Becker, 2004). In this area, they observed changes in phase and amplitude response of the strongest tidal constituent (M2) at the times of the three seismogenic slip events in the region; NTF (Nootka Transform Fault), JFR (Juan

de Fuca Ridge) and JFP (Juan de Fuca Plate). This example is shown in **Figure 2.5**



**Figure 2.5:** Phase and amplitude of formation tidal signals relative to seafloor loading, calculated for 28-day windows over a 3-year observation interval at ODP Hole 1025C, Juan de Fuca Ridge flank. Response at the strongest M2 tidal constituent is shown; Changes in both phase and amplitude of the formation response are seen at the times of three seismogenic slip events in the region. Similar behavior is resolved at other dominant frequencies (e.g., K1, O1). Figure from Davis & Becker (2004).

## CHAPTER 3

### ANALYSIS OF HYDROGEOLOGIC PROPERTIES OF SOUTH CHAMORRO SEAMOUNT

#### 3.1 Overview

In this study, we considered flow of a single-phase fluid (liquid) through South Chamorro Seamount assuming it is a single layer, homogeneous and isotropic formation and that the propagation pathway for the diffusion wave is directly from the boundary (seafloor) until the average depth of open/screened borehole (the average between 149 to 202 mbsf, which is  $\pm 176$  m). Therefore the scale of investigation for permeability measurement in this formation is  $\pm 176$  m both vertically and laterally from the borehole.

Tides, which are forced oscillation resulting from celestial motion, occur at known frequencies and create tidal signals or sinusoidal waves with constant amplitude and phase that is called tidal constituents. Many tidal constituents may exist that depend on the hydrodynamics of the region (Boon, 2004). The length of time of the record also determines the number of tidal constituents that could be resolved using the harmonic analysis. Harmonic analysis will reveal the amplitude and phase of these tidal constituents. The results of harmonic analysis of each time series for both seafloor and formation pressure using TAPPy can be seen in **Appendix**.

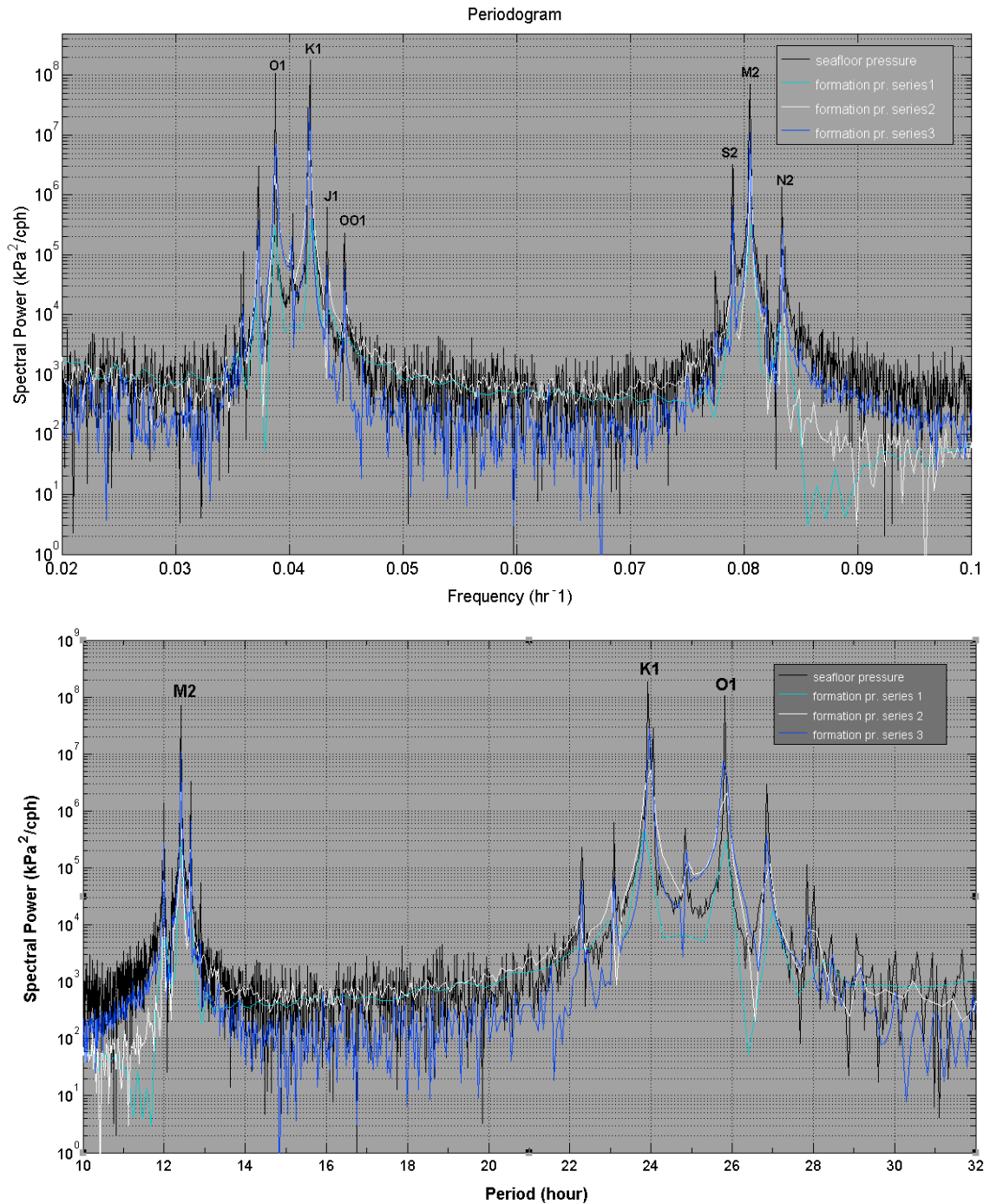
For further analysis using simple theory by Wang & Davis (1996), we only use the tidal constituents of both seafloor pressure and formation pressure that have amplitude bigger than 0.1 kPa ( $H > 0.1$  kPa in **Appendix**). Those tidal constituents are summarized in **Table 3.1**. They are dominated by diurnal and



semidiurnal band. The five major constituents that usually exist are O1 (*lunar diurnal*, period = 25.82 hours), K1 (*luni-solar diurnal*, period = 23.93 hours), N2 (*larger lunar elliptic semidiurnal*, period = 12.66 hours), M2 (*principal lunar semidiurnal*, period = 12.42 hours), S2 (*principal solar semidiurnal*, period = 25.82 hours). The amplitude ratio and phase difference for each tidal constituent and for each time series is summarized in **Table 3.1** and are used for the analysis of hydraulic properties.

In addition, the Fourier periodogram or power spectrum can often identify important tidal constituents from energy peaks associated with specific frequencies (Boon, 2007). Power spectra of the constituents for the seafloor and each series of formation records resulted from spectral analysis using MATLAB are shown in **Figure 3.1** suggesting K1 as the strongest tidal constituent in this area and followed by O1 and M2 constituents that were also resolved clearly in each periodogram. From spectral and harmonic analysis, we could see the propagation of pressure signal following the theory of tidal signal propagation; the signals were attenuated, which means the amplitude of the signals getting decrease and the phase of the signals change as it diffuses from the seafloor into the formation.





**Figure 3.1:** Typical power spectra for: 2-year seafloor pressure records, formation pressure *series 1* (118 days), *series 2* (165 days) and *series 3* (234 days) from borehole 1200C, showing important tidal constituents. Tidal constituent diurnal K1 has the greatest power, followed by O1 and semidiurnal M2.

### 3.2 Bulk Modulus of the Matrix Frame

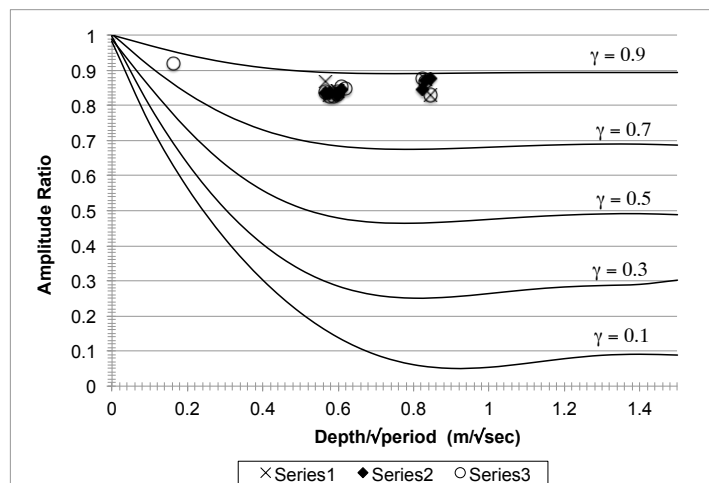
Bulk modulus of the matrix frame is one of the parameters needed to calculate the permeability. Frame bulk modulus is inferred from the loading efficiency (see **section 2.1 equation 1 and 2**). Loading efficiency is comparable with amplitude ratio. Therefore, in order to compare with the theoretical characteristics of the signal propagation into the formation, we need to plot the observed amplitude ratios against the dimensionless depth (see **equation 7**). To calculate dimensionless depth for each tidal period, we need to know the distance of the signal propagation ( $d$ ) and hydraulic diffusivity.

In this case, the distance of the signal propagation ( $d$ ) is considered as 176 meter, because we assumed the propagation pathway of the signal is from the boundary (seafloor) until the average depth of open/screened borehole (176 mbsf). However we haven't got the number for hydraulic diffusivity yet, because loading efficiency is actually needed in order to accurately constraint the hydraulic diffusivity (discussed in the next section). Therefore, we plotted the amplitude ratio against the distance of the signal propagation and period neglecting the hydraulic diffusivity ( $\zeta' = d/T^{1/2}$ ). Nevertheless, the data that were plotted in this manner follow a pattern that is similar in form to the predicted behavior as can be seen in **Figure 3.2**. When superimposed with the digitized type curves from Wang & Davis, the observed amplitude ratios were plotted close to the type curve of loading efficiency = 0.9.

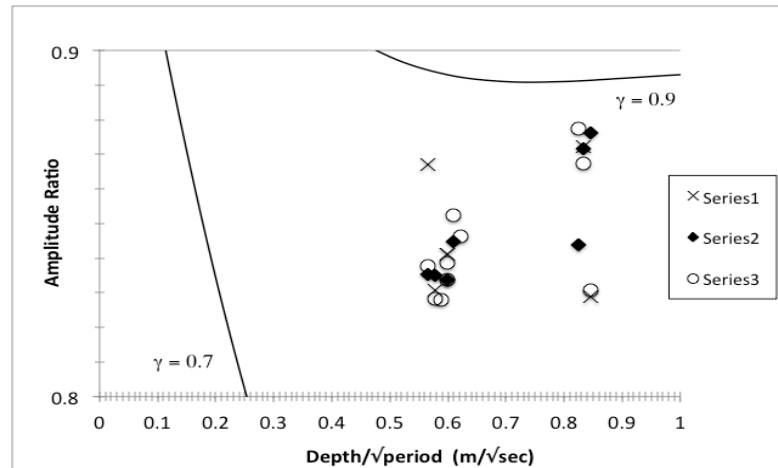
We found that the amplitude ratios are clustered around 0.82 to 0.88 when they were plotted with more detailed scale (**Figure 3.3**). For the calculation, we

use the median 0.85 for loading efficiency ( $\gamma$ ). This high number of loading efficiency indicates that the matrix frame of the rocks in this formation is relatively more compressible, meaning that the fluids inside the pores take the greater share of the ocean tidal loads and therefore having a change in fluid pressure (formation pressure).

Using this loading efficiency and data of other formation properties in **Table 1.2** for **equation (1)** as described in **section 2.1**, the one dimension bulk modulus of matrix frame is 0.652 GPa or the compressibility of the matrix frame is  $1.534 \text{ GPa}^{-1}$ . The effective compressibility of this formation therefore can be calculated considering all bulk moduli of rock components (matrix frame, solid constituents and fluid) as described in **equation (4)** to be  $1.25 \text{ GPa}^{-1}$ .



**Figure 3.2:** Plot of amplitude ratio versus depth of pressure propagation per square root of period. Data are superimposed on digitized type curve of theoretical model developed by Wang and Davis, 1996. It should be noted that the actual type curve in Wang & Davis (1996) has different x-axis properties with the plot. The x-axis for the type curve is dimensionless propagation length of the signal that includes the hydraulic diffusivity (see **Figure 2.3**)



**Figure 3.3:** Plot of amplitude ratio versus depth of pressure propagation per square root of period (detail scale).

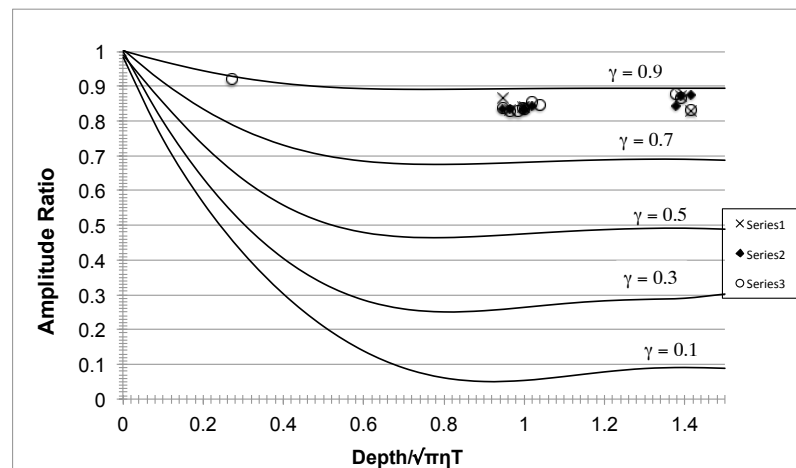
### 3.3 Permeability

In order to infer the permeability value, the hydraulic diffusivity needed to be calculated, which is based on their relationship in **equation (3)**. The hydraulic diffusivity governs the length of the propagation of the pressure signal as described in **equation (6)**. The zero crossing of the phase difference data plotted in the type curve from Wang & Davis is used to deduce the propagation length as described in **section 2.1**. Because we already assumed the propagation length ( $d = 176$  m), therefore we will use it to infer the hydraulic diffusivity. If we see the data in table 3.1, the phase differences that are very close to zero are at 24 hours period (P1 constituent). Using 24 hours as period ( $T$ ) for the **equation (6)**, the hydraulic diffusivity was calculated to be  $0.114 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ .

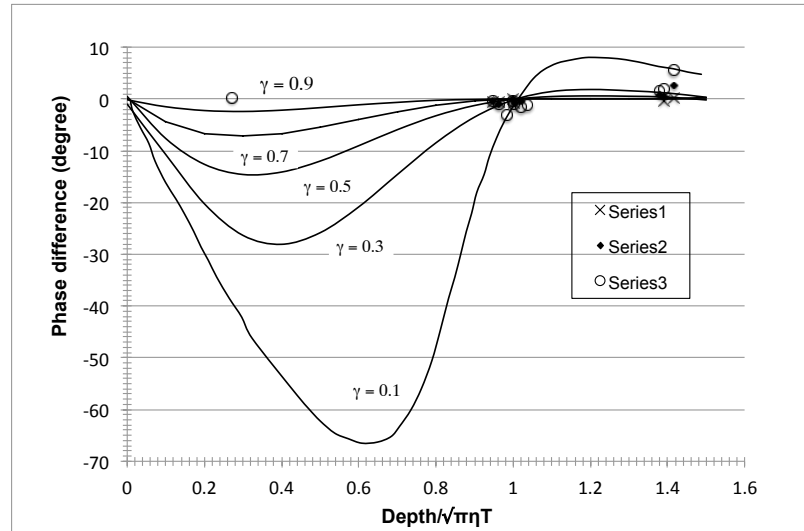
By including this calculated hydraulic diffusivity into **equation (7)**, we can calculate the dimensionless depth for each period of tidal signals. If we plot dimensionless depths against the amplitude ratios (**Figure 3.4**), we found it still consistent with the behavior showing in Wang & Davis plot in **Figure 2.3**. For

plotting the dimensionless depths against the phase differences (**Figure 3.5**), we found it also consistent with the behavior showing in Wang & Davis plot in **Figure 2.4** (note that the zero phase crossing is at dimensionless depth of 1). These phase differences were also plotted in more detailed scale as shown in **Figure 3.6**.

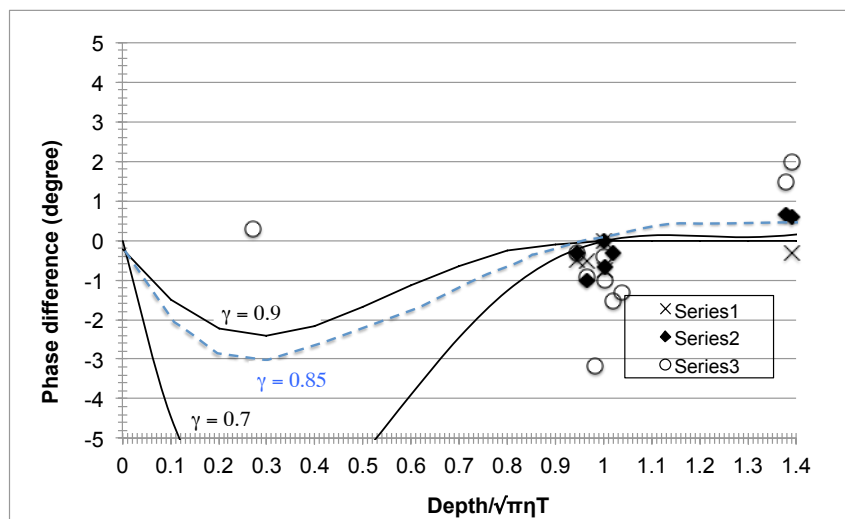
The resultant permeability value is  $1.42 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$  over the formation-scale of 176 meter from borehole. If we use the range of loading efficiency 0.82 to 0.88 instead of the median value of 0.85, we obtained a range of permeability, which is about  $1.18$  to  $1.79 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$ . The uncertainties that come from other parameters used for the calculation, as shown in **Table 1.2**, would increase the uncertainty of this resultant permeability value. The calculation is summarized in **Table 3.2**.



**Figure 3.4:** Plot of amplitude ratio versus dimensionless depth. Dimensionless depth of pressure propagation using calculated hydraulic diffusivity as described in text. Data are superimposed on digitized type curve of theoretical model developed by Wang and Davis, 1996.



**Figure 3.5:** Plot of phase difference versus dimensionless depth of signal propagation. Data are superimposed on digitized type curve of theoretical model developed by Wang, et al., 1996.



**Figure 3.6:** Plot of phase difference versus dimensionless depth of pressure propagation (detail scale). Dashed curve is an approximation for loading efficiency = 0.85.

### 3.4 Earthquake Effect

From **Table 3.1** we see that tidal response before and after the earthquakes as represented by the three different series show only very subtle differences, suggesting that the earthquake did not change the permeability.



**Table 3.2:** Characteristic of Elastic and Hydraulic Properties of South Chamorro Seamount Calculated using Tidal Method

No	Property	Sym- bol	Value			Unit	Source or Equation used
			Low	Medi an	High		
1	Loading efficiency	$\gamma$	0.82	0.85	0.88		Amplitude ratio profile
2	Bulk modulus of matrix frame (1-Dimension)	$K'$	1.171	0.941	0.727	GPa	$\gamma = \frac{1}{1 + n \left( \frac{K'}{Kf} \right)}$ equation (1) $K' = \left( \frac{1}{\gamma} - 1 \right) \frac{Kf}{n}$
3	Bulk modulus of matrix frame	$K$	0.811	0.652	0.503	GPa	$K' = 3K \frac{(1-\nu)}{(1+\nu)}$ equation (2) $K = \frac{K'(1+\nu)}{3(1-\nu)}$
4	Parameter elasticity	$\alpha$	0.952				$\alpha = 1 - \frac{Kf}{Ks} \dots \dots$ equation (5)
5	Effective compressibility	$S$	1.037	1.25	1.57	1/ GPa	$S = \left( \frac{1}{K} - \frac{1}{Ks} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{2\alpha(1-2\nu)}{3(1-\nu)} \right) + n \left( \frac{1}{Kf} - \frac{1}{Ks} \right)$ equation..(4)
6	Hydraulic diffusivity	$\eta$	0.114 (T=24 hours)			$m^2/s$	$q = \sqrt{\pi \eta T} \dots \dots$ equation (6) $\eta = \frac{\left( \frac{q}{\sqrt{T}} \right)^2}{\pi}$
7	Permeability	$\kappa$	$1.18 \times 10^{-13}$	$1.42 \times 10^{-13}$	$1.79 \times 10^{-13}$	$m^2$	$\eta = \frac{\kappa}{\mu S} \dots \dots$ equation (3) $\kappa = \eta \mu S$

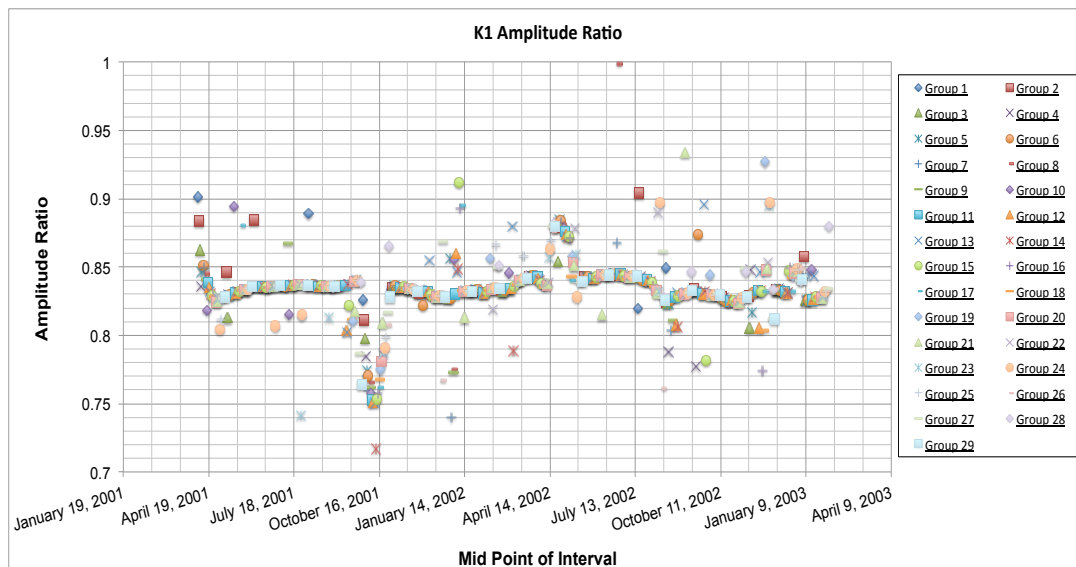
However, to see the earthquake effect more correctly, we performed the harmonic analysis for 29 days interval. Harmonic analysis requires the series length minimum of 29 days. A *synodic* month of 29 days is the average interval between corresponding phases of the moon, an interval significant for analysis purposes because it approximates a time when the major tidal constituents each complete a whole number of cycles (Boon, 2007). We made 29 groups which first group started from the beginning date until the end date of the hourly pressure data that made one group has about 23 series of 29 days interval. The next group started the next day, therefore from one group to the next group has 24

hours different. The result for each group shown the strongest amplitude was the K1 constituent, and followed by O1 and M2 constituent. Having combined the results from 29 groups, as we plotted the amplitude ratio and phase difference of K1 constituent against the mid point of each series of 29 days interval shown in **Figure 3.7** and **Figure 3.8**, we found some different results for each group. Because of these differences, we then calculated the average for the amplitude and phase of each seafloor and formation pressure data from these 29 groups for every single day, made it a moving average.

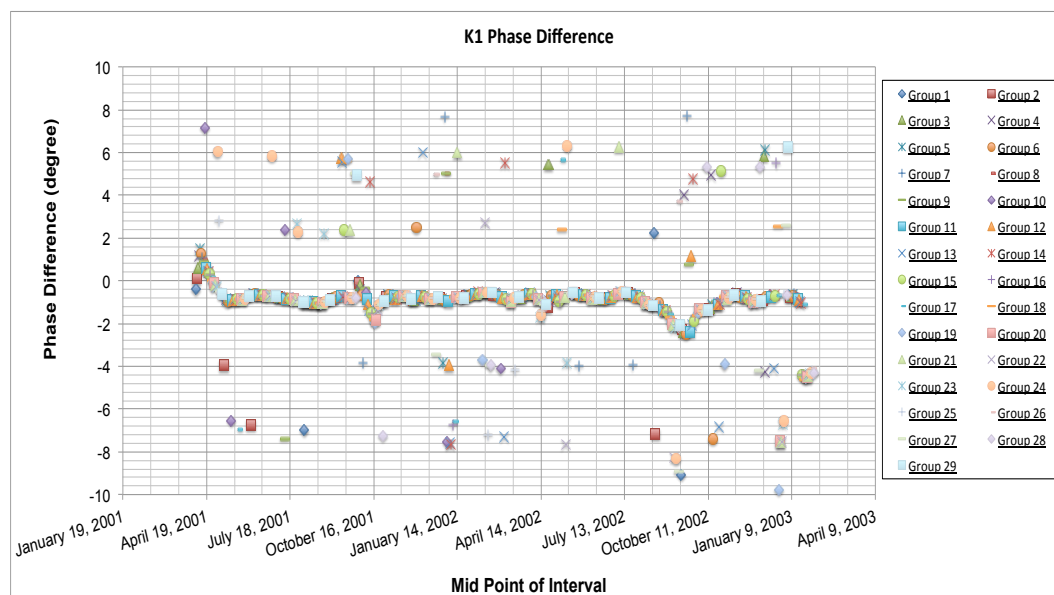
From the result of the moving average, plot of the amplitude ratio and phase difference of K1 constituent against each day were then made as shown in **Figure 3.9** and **Figure 3.10**. We could see from **Figure 3.9** that the amplitude ratio of K1 constituent changed at the time of earthquake, and in less than a month they went back to the previous state. For the phase difference of K1 constituent, the changes were more scattered and were not clearly seen happened at the time of earthquake. The anomalous change of the phase differences occurred at times other than the occurrence of the two-recorded earthquakes (**Figure 3.10**).

We found that there are some earthquakes other than the two noticeable earthquakes that coincide with the rise in pressure data, happened during the two years observation around 500 km radius from the borehole 1200C. These earthquakes happened in April, June and August in the year 2001, and in February, March, May, August, October and November in the year 2002 and in January 2003 (Data from International Seismological Centre, 2011, summarized

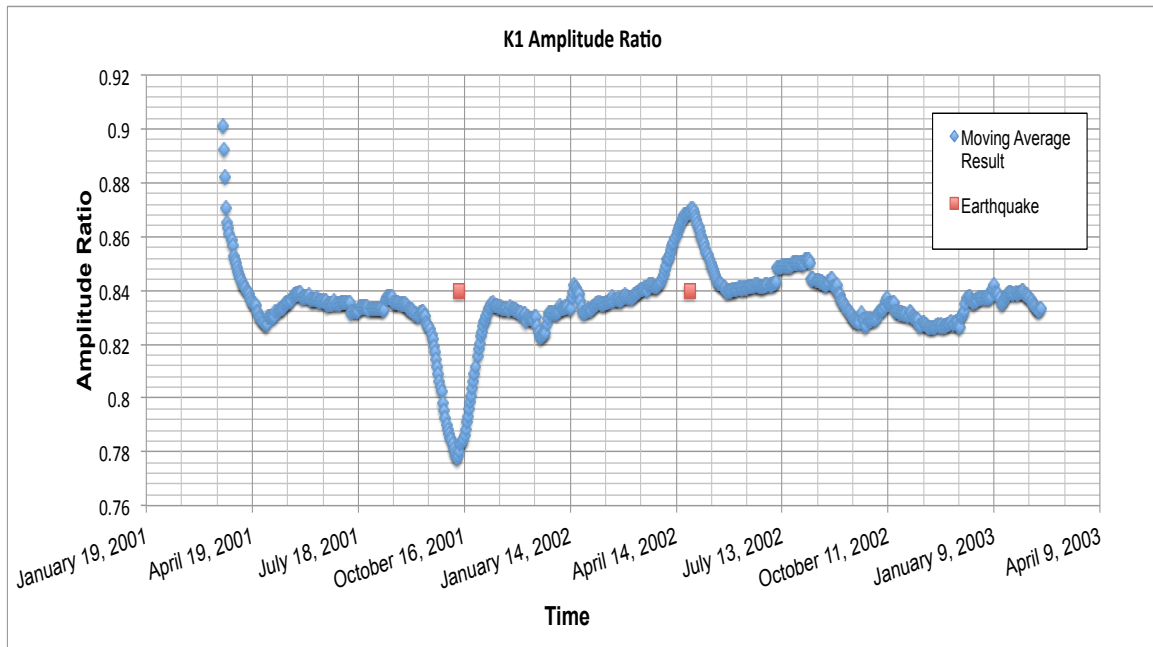
by Vinas, 2013, see **Appendix**). These earthquakes may be the cause of the anomalies, since almost all of them coincide with these anomalous changes. However, we could not find the good explanation as to why these earthquakes did not appear as the pressure rise in the pressure data.



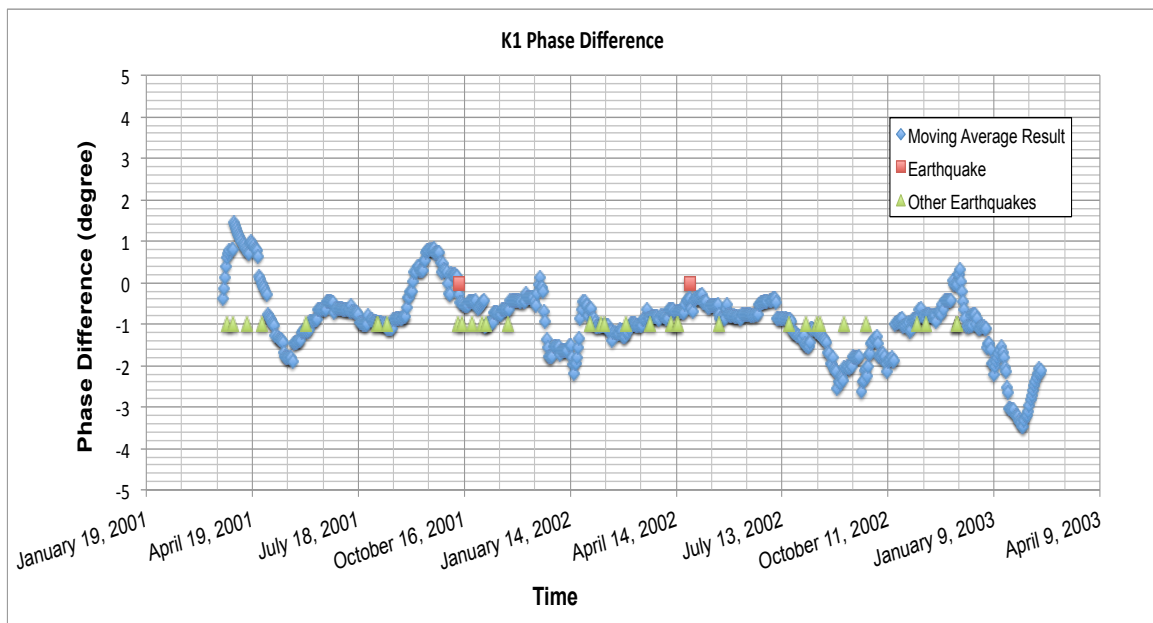
**Figure 3.7:** Amplitude ratio of formation tidal signal K1 relative to seafloor loading, calculated for 29-day window plotted at mid point of each interval. 29 groups was made and shown difference between groups.



**Figure 3.8:** Amplitude ratio of formation tidal signal K1 relative to seafloor loading, calculated for 29-day window plotted at mid point of each interval. 29 groups was made and shown difference between groups.

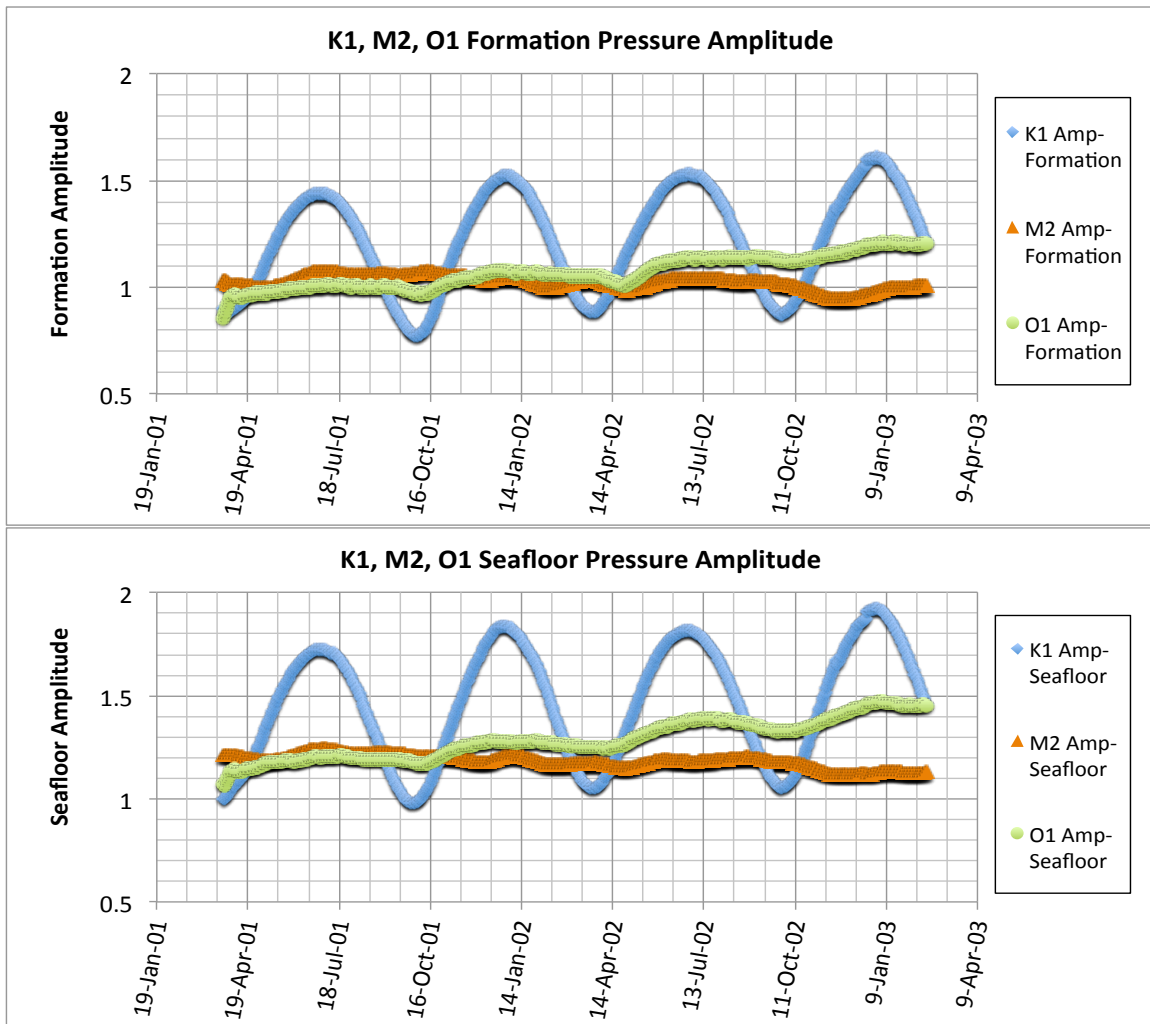


**Figure 3.9:** Amplitude ratio of K1 tidal constituent, calculated for 29-day window. Points of each day are resulted from moving average. Effect from drilling perturbation, which is shown as anomalous curve, from early time until around June 2001, can be ignored. The two red blocks are only the marks to show the time of the two big earthquakes and do not represent the amplitude ratio at those times. Sudden jump or fall of the amplitude ratio occurred at the time of these two big earthquakes.



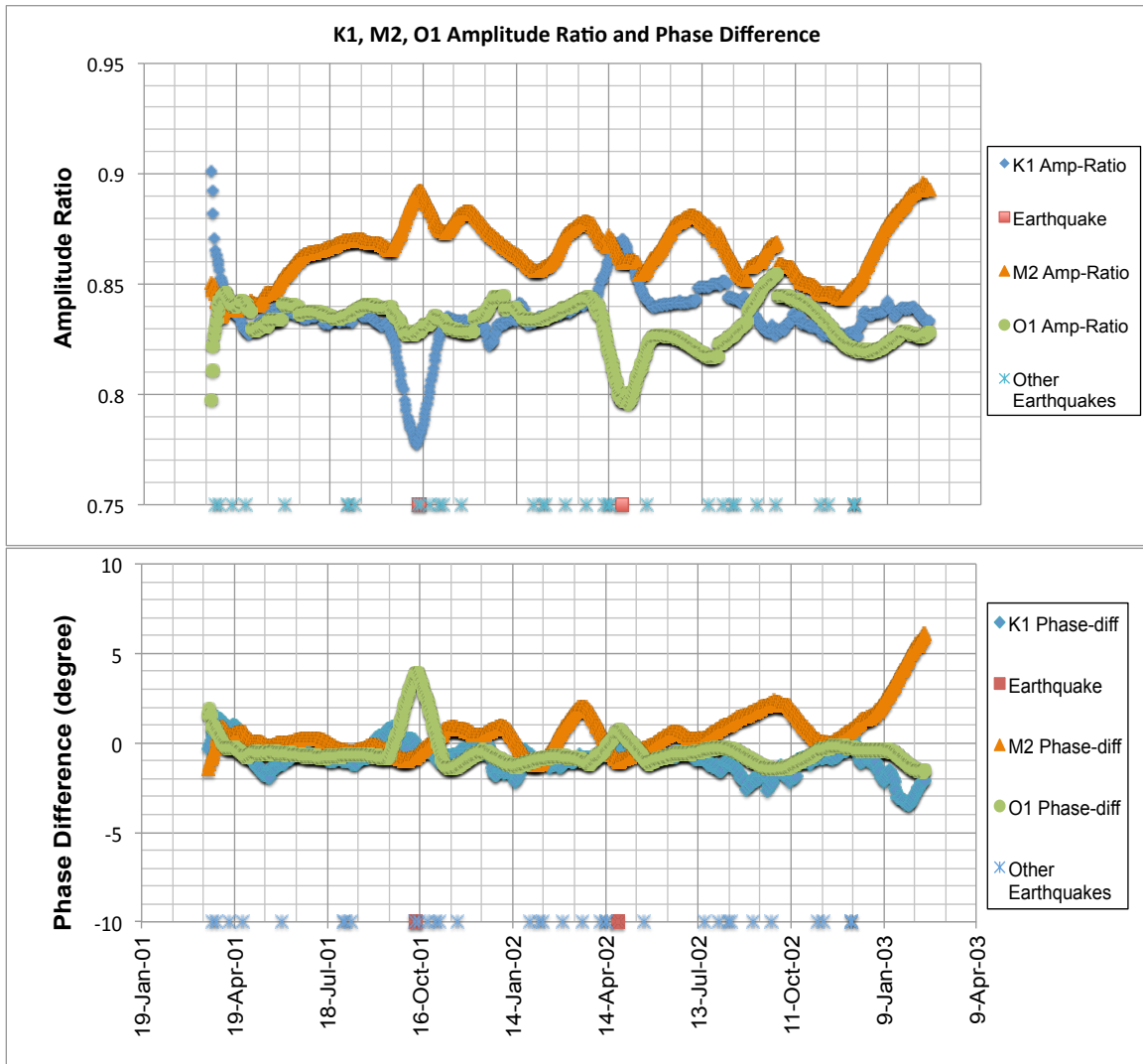
**Figure 3.10:** Phase difference of K1 tidal constituent, calculated for 29-day window. Points of each day are resulted from moving average. The two red blocks and several green triangles are only the marks to show the time of the earthquakes and do not represent the phase difference at those times. Phase differences change at the time of these earthquakes.

We also noticed that at the time of the first earthquake (October 12, 2001), the strongest amplitude was not the K1 constituent, but the O1 and M2. When we plot the amplitude of these tidal constituents, K1 constituent shown highly sinusoidal wave compared to other constituents (**Figure 3.11**). This undulation happened every six months and the formation amplitude was at around 1 kPa at the time of earthquake happened.



**Figure 3.11:** Amplitude of formation and seafloor tidal signals for the K1, O1 and M2 tidal constituent, calculated for 29-day window. K1 constituent shows highly sinusoidal wave.

**Figure 3.12** below shown the amplitude ratio and phase difference for those tidal constituents and even though they have different pattern, we still could find that they changed at the time of two noticeable earthquakes that coincide with the rise in pressure data and rapidly back to normal, and some anomalous changes at the time of other earthquakes.



**Figure 3.12:** Phase and amplitude of formation tidal signals response for the K1, O1 and M2 tidal constituent relative to seafloor loading, calculated for 29-day window. The two red blocks and several blue stars are only the marks to show the time of earthquakes and do not represent the amplitude ratio or phase difference at those times.

## 3.5 Discussion

### 3.5.1 Comparison to Theoretical Model

The behavior of the results are consistent with the theory; near the boundary, relative amplitudes are large, approaching unity at low frequency, and phases are relatively small, and as it goes further the amplitudes decrease and phase becomes more negative with increasing frequency and becomes positive as the half wavelength of the signals were reached. However, the agreement is not perfect, as we see the positive phases beyond the zero-phase crossing are larger than predicted theoretically (**Figure 3.6**). The inaccuracy in digitizing the theoretical type curve may contribute to this discrepancy. The phase of the formation signals that shifted just a little from the seafloor loading and are located at the penetration depth and afterwards, suggests that the pore pressure changes were primarily elastic. This condition raises a question about the diffusive pressure signal, whether the tidal signal diffuses with the assumed propagation path, i.e. from the seafloor trough the 176-meter of sediment, is possible or might follow a different path. We still could not find a good explanation for this behavior and could not suggest for the possible alternative propagation path for the diffusive signal.

Furthermore, assuming the crust as a medium with uniform and isotropic properties is maybe too simplistic, as the variations in fracture and alteration will contribute to heterogeneity and anisotropy and permeability distribution (Davis et al, 2000). The more complex investigation concerning this issue requires more detailed data and experiments. Nevertheless, with this simple model, elastic

property (frame bulk modulus) and hydraulic property (permeability) of the formation can be estimated. From the resultant high number of loading efficiency we could infer that characteristic of the matrix frame of serpentine blueschist rock is compressible, with bulk modulus  $0.652 \pm 0.15$  GPa.

### **3.5.2 Permeability value**

There were other techniques used to calculate permeability of the seamount at or near Hole 1200C. The laboratory core-based method was applied for core samples from Pacman Seamount. In this method, the sample was placed inside a uniaxial floating-ring back pressured consolidometer and vertical stresses from 25 to 3200 kPa were applied to imitate 400-500 m burial. Fluid was pumped to flow across the sample and pressure differences across each sample were then measured. By using Darcy's Law equations, permeability needed to sustain the rate of flow under that condition can be calculated. For blue-mud sample, the permeabilities calculated with range from  $10^{-17} \text{ m}^2$  to  $10^{-15} \text{ m}^2$  (Wheat et al., 2008).

Another method used for estimating permeability is by measuring the rate of fluid flow which occurred at borehole depth when the CORK was removed in Hole 1200C. The flow rate of discharge and excess formation pressure measured in situ were then combined with time of flow, thickness of the open borehole, porosity, viscosity, and fluid compressibility in a radial diffusion equation to calculate permeability. The permeability calculated using this method is  $6 \times 10^{-14} \text{ m}^2$ , which is required to allow the observed rate of flow of  $0.08 \pm 0.04$  L/s (Wheat et al, 2008). The probable reasons for the difference in permeability



value using these two different methods were explained by Wheat et al (2008) to be: 1) the scale of fluid flow in core-samples did not represent the cracks and fractures that are likely to be the pathway for large-scale fluid migration and 2) core-based uniaxial measurement only measure vertical permeability, whereas from borehole the horizontal component is included. Therefore, permeability using in-situ measurements represents a larger portion of the interconnected pore in the formation than the core-based method.

In this study, the resultant permeability using tidal-loading method is also greater than the permeability of the core-based method. Therefore, the first hypothesis is proven; that the estimated value of permeability using data from in-situ measurement would be greater and more representative of large-scale formation permeability than the core-based measurement. The resultant permeability, i.e.  $1.42 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$ , is higher than the borehole flow method. The difference of the value with the borehole flow method might show a scale-dependence of permeability as commonly observed in permeabilities measured in crystalline rocks with different method that are ranging in measurement scales (Becker and Davis, 2003). To be able to confirm this scale-dependence, it might be required to drill the borehole deeper or use other borehole methods, but attempts to drill deeper into this formation were already unsuccessful. However, the value is in the same order with the value estimated by Wheat using radial diffusion equation for the case of formation fluid ascending through a 5-meter thick fault zone, i.e.  $6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$ . Because the scale of investigation for the permeability by tidal loading method is 176 meter, it would encompass such a

fault zone. However, the fault zone itself might have greater permeability than this resultant bulk permeability. This assumption cannot be validated until more information about the detailed structure of this formation is collected.

### **3.5.3 Earthquake Effects on Permeability value**

The amplitude ratio and phase difference changed at the time of earthquake, as has been observed in oceanic crust, which suggests sensitivity of elastic and hydrologic properties to strain. Even though the cause of this sensitivity is not well understood, Davis and Becker (2004) suggest that it may be associated with strain amplification by fractures or faults. However, we found that the changes have different behavior, as they return to normal state very rapidly; they need less than a month compared to many months needed by the oceanic crust (**Figure 2.5**). We could infer that this different behavior is based on the difference in material forming each crustal type; the forearc crust with more homogeneous and mostly finer mixed metamorphic-sedimentary type of material is more elastic than the oceanic crust with the two-layer sediment and igneous basement rocks.

## CHAPTER 4

### CONCLUSION

The Circulation Obviation Retrofit Kit (CORK) installed in ODP borehole observatory 1200C provides a way to characterize the blueschist serpentinite formation in the forearc crust. Formation pressure data from this borehole show a record that is dominated by tidal influences with two transient pressure increases that occur at the time of two large earthquakes around the area. The strongest tidal constituent in this area is the *luni-solar diurnal* constituent or *K1*, which has tidal period of 23.93 hours. The fluctuation pressure response to tidal loading makes these data suitable to calculate permeability using the tidal loading method. Assuming the crust is a uniform and isotropic medium, and propagation pathway is from the seafloor through the 176-meter of sediment, the bulk permeability is calculated to be  $1.42 \times 10^{-13} \text{ m}^2$ , for the scale of investigation of about 176 meters both vertically from the seafloor and laterally from the borehole. This estimated value of permeability using data from in-situ measurement is greater and more representative of large-scale formation permeability than the core-based measurement.

Characteristic of the matrix frame of serpentine blueschist rock of the seamount is compressible, with bulk modulus of  $0.652 \pm 0.15 \text{ GPa}$ . Tectonic activity would not change or enhance the formation permeability. This is because of the amplitude ratio and phase difference changed instantaneously at the time of earthquake, that may be caused by amplification of strain by fractures or faults, and then return to their normal state in less than a month, suggest that this

forearc crust has more elastic behavior compare to the oceanic crust. The more homogeneous and mostly finer mixed metamorphic-sedimentary type of material composition may be the cause for this behavior.

Furthermore, this study could be improved by collecting more information about the detail structure of the formation, in order to be able to answer some questions which arose during the observation of the result from the analysis done in this study, which mostly caused by assuming the crust as a medium with uniform and isotropic properties and having the propagation pathway of the diffusive signal to be around 176-meter of sediment from the seafloor.

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## APPENDIX

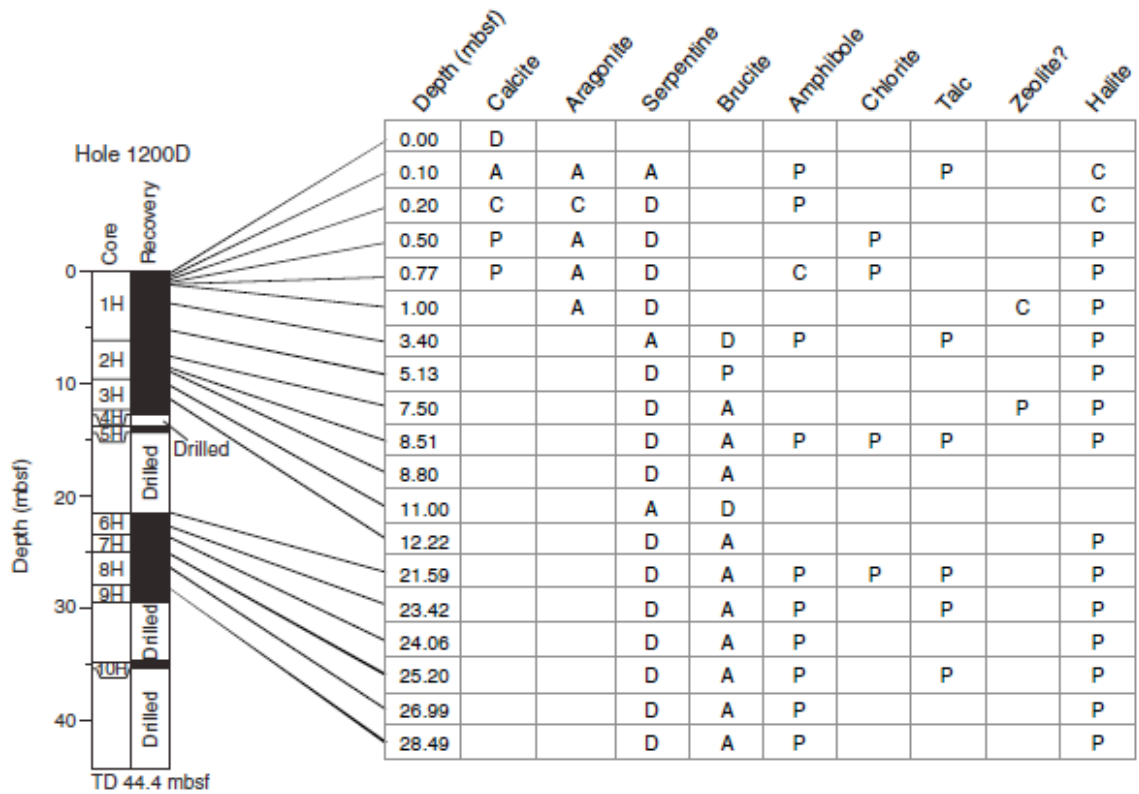


Figure 1: Downhole changes in semi-quantitative mineralogy of silty clay-sized serpentine in Hole 1200D, as inferred from XRD analyses of bulk powder mounts. Abundance: D = dominant (50%–100%), A = abundant (20%–50%), C = common (5%–20%), P = present (1%–5%). TD = total depth. Figure from Salisbury et al., 2002.



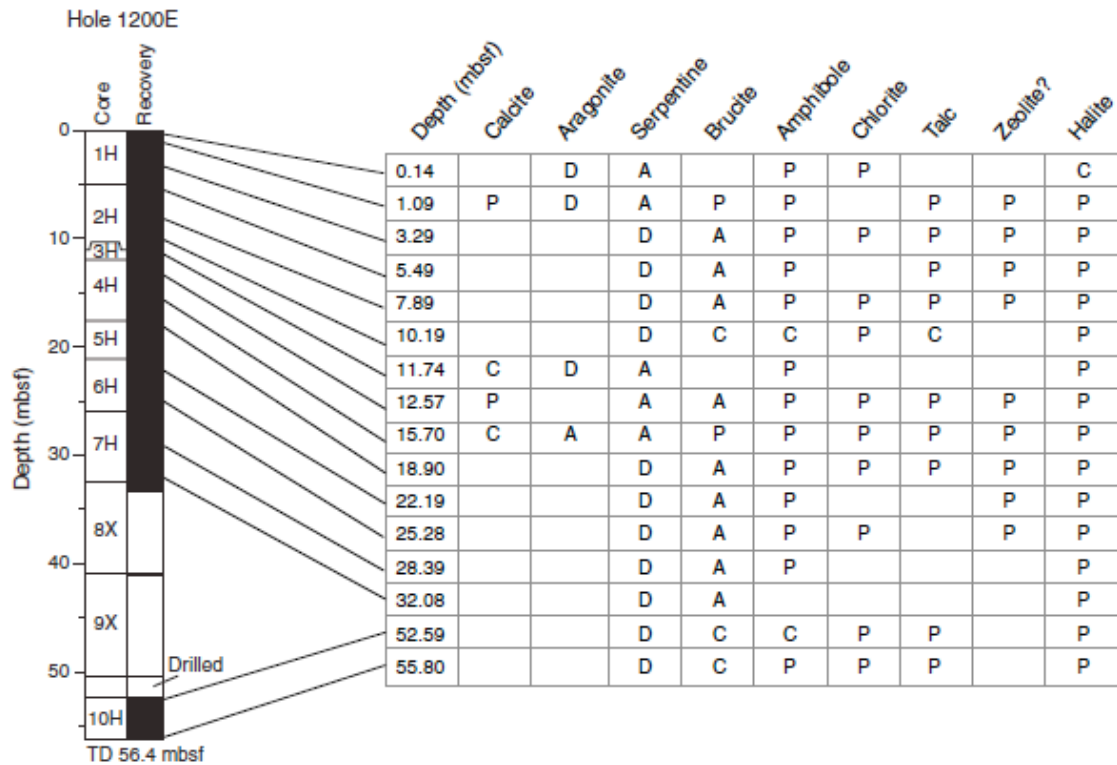


Figure 2: Downhole changes in semi-quantitative mineralogy of silty clay-sized serpentine in Hole 1200E, as inferred from XRD analyses of bulk powder mounts. Abundance: D = dominant (50%–100%), A = abundant (20%–50%), C = common (5%–20%), P = present (1%–5%). TD = total. Figure from Salisbury et al., 2002.

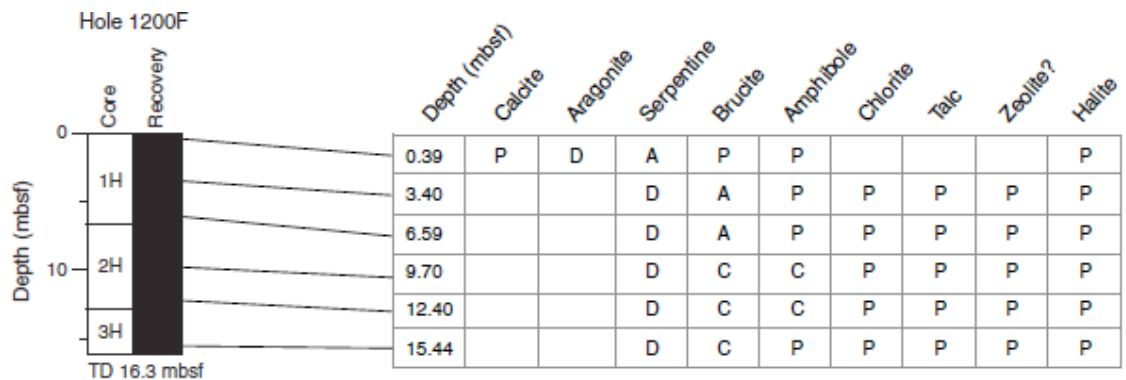
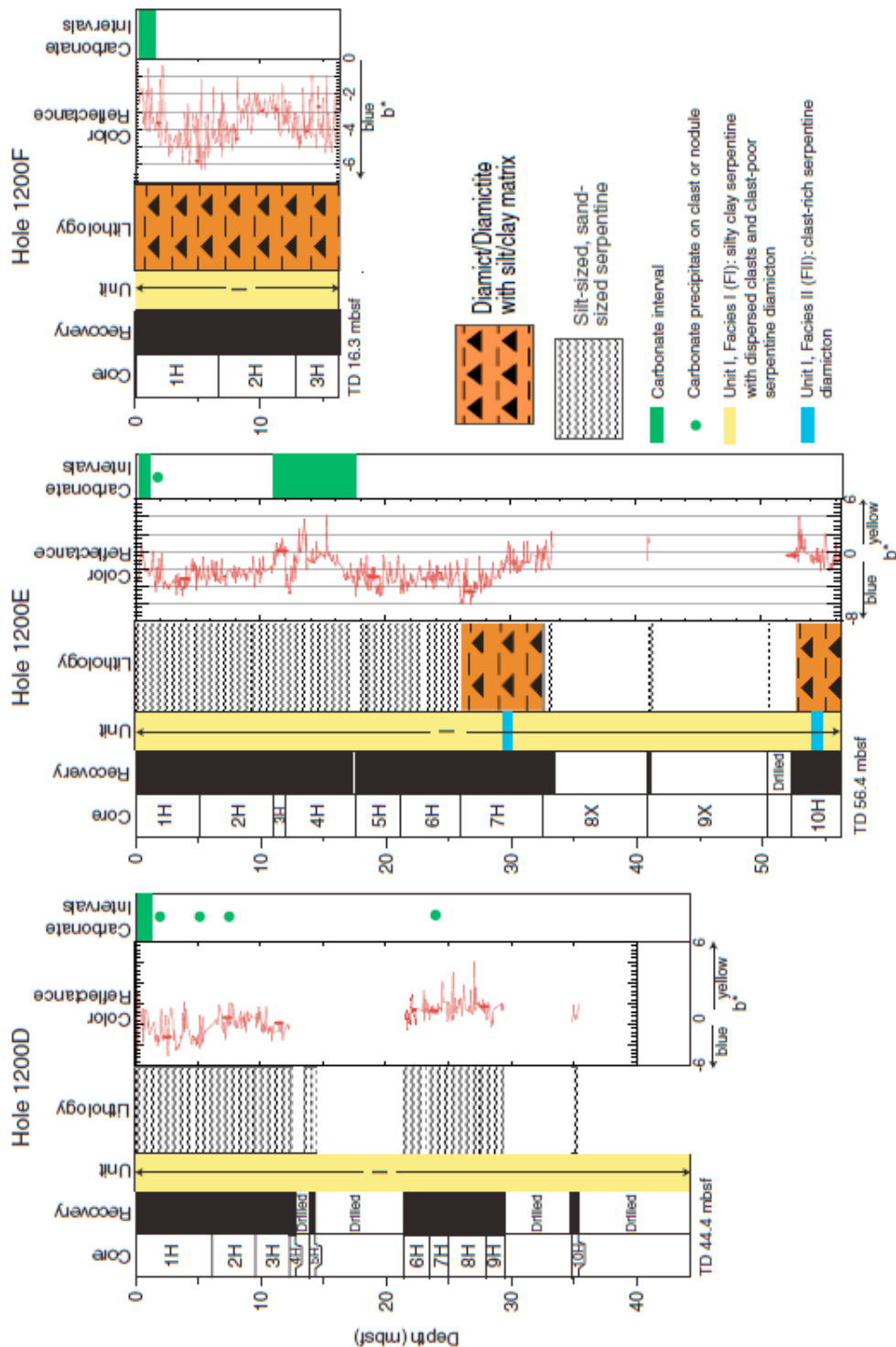


Figure 3: Downhole changes in semi-quantitative mineralogy of silty clay-sized serpentine in Hole 1200F, as inferred from XRD analyses. Abundance: D = dominant (50%–100%), A = abundant (20%–50%), C = common (5%–20%), P = present (1%–5%). TD = total. Figure from Salisbury et al., 2002.

Figure 4: Summary figure for Site 1200 including lithology, color reflectance, and calcareous intervals. Yellow intervals in the "Unit" column indicate intervals of Facies I. Light blue intervals in the same column indicate intervals of Facies II. TD = total depth

Figure modified from Salishur et al 2002



```
# You need to specify the separator between the integer part and the decimal
# part of real numbers, even if you only have integers in your data file.
decimal_sep = "."

# TAPPy needs the variables 'year', 'month', 'day', 'hour', 'minute',
'water_level'.

# Any other variable name can be used as a placeholder.

parse = [
    integer('recnum'),
    positive_integer('day', exact=2),
    positive_integer('month', exact=2),
    positive_integer('year', exact=2),
    positive_integer('hour', exact=2),
    positive_integer('minute', exact=2),
    positive_integer('second', exact=2),
    real('water_level'),
    real('seafloor'),
]
```

Figure 5: Data Definition File for Formation Pressure Data.

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# You need to specify the separator between the integer part and the decimal
# part of real numbers, even if you only have integers in your data file.
decimal_sep = "."

# TAPPy needs the variables 'year', 'month', 'day', 'hour', 'minute',
# 'water_level'.

# Any other variable name can be used as a placeholder.

parse = [
    integer('recnum'),
    positive_integer('day', exact=2),
    positive_integer('month', exact=2),
    positive_integer('year', exact=2),
    positive_integer('hour', exact=2),
    positive_integer('minute', exact=2),
    positive_integer('second', exact=2),
    real('formation'),
    real('water_level'),
    1
```

Figure 6: Example of Data Definition File for Seafloor Pressure Data.

Table 1: Harmonic Analysis Result for Formation Pressure Data Series 1.

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(Canopy 32bit) Putris-MacBook-Pro:range1_n putriakmal$ ../tappy.py analysis
1200C_range1_n.txt data_def_fm.txt --linear_trend
```

#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	====	=====	=	=====
	Mm	0.54437433	0.3308	290.9083
	MSf	1.01589594	0.0989	47.7822
	2Q1	12.85428677	0.0382	60.3290
	Q1	13.39866110	0.1939	230.0829
	01	13.94303543	0.9837	60.3107
	N01	14.49669429	0.0078	345.2329
	K1	15.04106863	1.5382	77.8365
	J1	15.58544296	0.0782	282.2008
	001	16.13910182	0.0701	123.2229
	ups1	16.68347615	0.0038	336.5852
	MNS2	27.42383379	0.0098	149.2393
	mu2	27.96820812	0.0191	352.7252
	N2	28.43972973	0.2705	123.1312
	M2	28.98410406	1.0626	331.8872
	L2	29.52847839	0.0375	185.6830
	S2	30.00000000	0.1463	320.4965
	eta2	30.62651159	0.0126	90.5365
	2SM2	31.01589594	0.0062	48.8928
	M03	42.92713949	0.0043	48.7787
	M3	43.47615609	0.0174	250.3261
	MK3	44.02517269	0.0122	213.5463
	SK3	45.04106863	0.0119	75.4876
	MN4	57.42383379	0.0049	323.2132
	M4	57.96820812	0.0265	197.7562
	SN4	58.43972973	0.0066	154.8497
	MS4	58.98410406	0.0041	231.2978
	S4	60.00000000	0.0060	275.0421
	2MN6	86.40793785	0.0051	337.7347
	M6	86.95231218	0.0016	182.0217
	2MS6	87.96820812	0.0002	53.9233
	2SM6	88.98410406	0.0006	47.9760
	S6	90.00000000	0.0062	88.2821
	M8	115.93641624	0.0014	31.9316
# INFERRED CONSTITUENTS				
#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	====	=====	=	=====
	rho1	13.47151382	0.0374	209.2544
	M1	14.49205203	0.0698	59.2642
	P1	14.95893137	0.5091	7.4700
	2N2	27.89535540	0.0276	49.2082
	nu2	28.51258245	0.0404	37.7549
	lambda2	29.45562567	0.0074	121.6742
	T2	29.95893332	0.0086	347.3450
	R2	30.04106668	0.0012	197.5592
	K2	30.08213725	0.0398	7.8449
# AVERAGE (Z0) = 29898.7480969				
# SLOPE OF REMOVED LINEAR TREND = 0.0				

Table 2: Harmonic Analysis Result for Seafloor Pressure Data Series 1.

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(Canopy 32bit) Putris-MacBook-Pro:range1_n putriakmal$ ../tappy.py analysis
1200C_range1_n.txt data_def_sea.txt --linear_trend
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#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	====	=====	=	=====
	Mm	0.54437433	0.0540	180.5368
	MSf	1.01589594	0.0419	359.8103
	2Q1	12.85428677	0.0440	37.8190
	Q1	13.39866110	0.2236	230.5941
	01	13.94303543	1.1840	60.8366
	N01	14.49669429	0.0190	266.6529
	K1	15.04106863	1.8285	78.5863
	J1	15.58544296	0.1048	282.6733
	001	16.13910182	0.0695	122.9530
	ups1	16.68347615	0.0093	19.4086
	MNS2	27.42383379	0.0109	72.9281
	mu2	27.96820812	0.0450	323.3611
	N2	28.43972973	0.3481	124.5469
	M2	28.98410406	1.2184	332.2025
	L2	29.52847839	0.0398	175.0034
	S2	30.00000000	0.1765	320.1305
	eta2	30.62651159	0.0113	126.7873
	2SM2	31.01589594	0.0039	69.1046
	M03	42.92713949	0.0073	119.3502
	M3	43.47615609	0.0204	256.0752
	MK3	44.02517269	0.0011	279.9731
	SK3	45.04106863	0.0206	82.2331
	MN4	57.42383379	0.0082	104.3307
	M4	57.96820812	0.0217	330.2713
	SN4	58.43972973	0.0111	160.8127
	MS4	58.98410406	0.0270	348.3673
	S4	60.00000000	0.0102	1.4701
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	M6	86.95231218	0.0129	175.8688
	2MS6	87.96820812	0.0020	92.7831
	2SM6	88.98410406	0.0051	245.6195
	S6	90.00000000	0.0109	97.4593
	M8	115.93641624	0.0093	49.5478
#	INFERRED CONSTITUENTS			
#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	====	=====	=	=====
	rho1	13.47151382	0.0450	209.2619
	M1	14.49205203	0.0841	59.2754
	P1	14.95893137	0.6052	7.4828
	2N2	27.89535540	0.0317	52.5943
	nu2	28.51258245	0.0463	39.2236
	lambda2	29.45562567	0.0085	120.2164
	T2	29.95893332	0.0104	164.3232
	R2	30.04106668	0.0014	14.2851
	K2	30.08213725	0.0480	184.4415
#	AVERAGE (Z0) = 29746.9367138			
#	SLOPE OF REMOVED LINEAR TREND = 0.0			

Table 3: Harmonic Analysis Result for Formation Pressure Data Series 2.

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(Canopy 32bit) Putris-MacBook-Pro:range2B_rev putriakmal$ ../tappy.py
analysis 1200C_range2B_rev.txt data_def_fm.txt --linear_trend
#      NAME      SPEED      H      PHASE
#      =====
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MSf   1.01589593  0.0268  356.7338
2Q1   12.85428678  0.0376  40.1644
Q1    13.39866111  0.2284  230.4904
01    13.94303544  1.0600  58.9391
N01   14.49669430  0.1437  248.7466
K1    15.04106863  1.4553  73.0643
J1    15.58544295  0.0909  283.6618
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ups1  16.68347614  0.0113  317.5875
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mu2   27.96820813  0.0108  268.3322
N2    28.43972974  0.2715  128.7221
M2    28.98410407  1.0255  327.8799
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M3    43.47615610  0.0212  254.5496
MK3   44.02517269  0.0055  248.6291
SK3   45.04106863  0.0093  14.3246
MN4   57.42383380  0.0029  12.0515
M4    57.96820813  0.0190  209.8833
SN4   58.43972974  0.0051  50.6367
MS4   58.98410407  0.0123  252.9020
S4    60.00000000  0.0056  131.3708
2MN6  86.40793787  0.0036  284.2663
M6    86.95231220  0.0073  132.2722
2MS6  87.96820813  0.0049  147.2333
2SM6  88.98410407  0.0030  81.1008
S6    90.00000000  0.0038  289.0800
M8   115.93641626  0.0001  18.1816
# INFERRED CONSTITUENTS
#      NAME      SPEED      H      PHASE
#      =====
rho1  13.47151383  0.0403  358.0573
M1    14.49205203  0.0753  274.1582
P1    14.95893137  0.4817  99.3735
2N2   27.89535541  0.0267  168.9810
nu2   28.51258246  0.0390  214.0187
lambda2 29.45562567  0.0072  84.5263
T2    29.95893332  0.0105  317.5981
R2    30.04106668  0.0014  102.7579
K2    30.08213725  0.0483  60.0834
# AVERAGE (Z0) = 29915.8020328
# SLOPE OF REMOVED LINEAR TREND = 0.0

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Table 4: Harmonic Analysis Result for Seafloor Pressure Data Series 2.

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(Canopy 32bit) Putris-MacBook-Pro:range2B_rev putriakmal$ ../tappy.py
analysis 1200C_range2B_rev.txt data_def_sea.txt --linear_trend
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#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	=====	=====	=	=====
	Mm	0.54437433	0.0340	191.1551
	MSf	1.01589593	0.0282	349.3706
	2Q1	12.85428678	0.0456	41.9628
	Q1	13.39866111	0.2734	230.8198
	01	13.94303544	1.2695	59.9540
	N01	14.49669430	0.1688	250.0094
	K1	15.04106863	1.7453	73.7489
	J1	15.58544295	0.1076	283.9928
	001	16.13910181	0.0897	126.7392
	ups1	16.68347614	0.0111	315.0592
	MNS2	27.42383380	0.0103	173.4030
	mu2	27.96820813	0.0077	303.0057
	N2	28.43972974	0.3217	128.0771
	M2	28.98410407	1.1767	327.2987
	L2	29.52847839	0.0473	188.0677
	S2	30.00000000	0.2028	307.6331
	eta2	30.62651158	0.0060	63.3674
	2SM2	31.01589593	0.0010	247.7744
	M03	42.92713950	0.0025	0.4577
	M3	43.47615610	0.0251	237.8178
	MK3	44.02517269	0.0106	125.6043
	SK3	45.04106863	0.0123	44.4608
	MN4	57.42383380	0.0045	179.4187
	M4	57.96820813	0.0099	10.6904
	SN4	58.43972974	0.0031	110.1378
	MS4	58.98410407	0.0205	354.3658
	S4	60.00000000	0.0056	54.0799
	2MN6	86.40793787	0.0035	263.5507
	M6	86.95231220	0.0072	150.9800
	2MS6	87.96820813	0.0018	237.0296
	2SM6	88.98410407	0.0012	60.1511
	S6	90.00000000	0.0049	277.9869
	M8	115.93641626	0.0026	118.1611
#	INFERRED CONSTITUENTS			
#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	=====	=====	=	=====
	rho1	13.47151383	0.0482	358.0775
	M1	14.49205203	0.0901	274.1731
	P1	14.95893137	0.5777	99.3859
	2N2	27.89535541	0.0306	169.0080
	nu2	28.51258246	0.0447	214.0246
	lambda2	29.45562567	0.0082	84.5001
	T2	29.95893332	0.0120	317.5547
	R2	30.04106668	0.0016	102.7117
	K2	30.08213725	0.0552	60.0358
#	AVERAGE (Z0) = 29746.8829899			
#	SLOPE OF REMOVED LINEAR TREND = 0.0			



Table 5: Harmonic Analysis Result for Formation Pressure Data Series 3.

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Putris-MacBook-Pro:range3B putriakmal$ ../tappy.py analysis 1200C_range3B_press.txt data_def_fm.txt
--linear_trend
#      NAME      SPEED      H      PHASE
#      =====
Ssa  0.08213725  0.0556  80.1546
MSm  0.47152161  0.0108  38.5801
Mm   0.54437433  0.0401  258.1849
MSf  1.01589594  0.0255  257.6236
Mf   1.09803319  0.1153  9.0296
ZQ1  12.85428678  0.0309  48.4810
nuJ1 12.92713950  0.0394  93.6537
Q1   13.39866111  0.2280  230.5022
rho1 13.47151383  0.0376  280.1048
O1   13.94303544  1.1464  61.0679
MP1  14.02517269  0.0260  136.3257
NO1  14.49669430  0.1292  218.0346
chi1 14.56954702  0.0195  307.3894
P1   14.95893137  0.4538  57.6050
K1   15.04106863  1.5985  74.9700
phi1 15.12320588  0.0222  21.3139
theta1 15.51259023  0.0177  223.6466
J1   15.58544296  0.0867  279.0763
S01  16.05696456  0.0156  137.4788
001  16.13910182  0.0968  130.8856
ups1 16.68347615  0.0146  351.0615
MNS2 27.42383379  0.0050  166.6512
2N2  27.89535540  0.0281  281.7093
mu2  27.96820812  0.0063  328.6353
N2   28.43972973  0.2564  123.0887
nu2  28.51258245  0.0537  172.2125
M2   28.98410406  1.0029  326.6951
MKS2 29.06624132  0.0052  261.1310
lambda2 29.45562567  0.0169  149.8679
L2   29.52847839  0.0313  178.8356
S2   30.00000000  0.1584  310.3549
K2   30.08213725  0.0293  314.7388
MSN2 30.54437433  0.0068  30.5647
eta2 30.62651158  0.0062  91.4376
ZSM2 31.01589594  0.0056  269.9433
M03  42.92713950  0.0085  277.1721
M3   43.47615609  0.0196  242.0198
S03  43.94303544  0.0081  227.2015
MK3  44.02517269  0.0061  246.3294
SK3  45.04106863  0.0077  2.9615
MN4  57.42383379  0.0030  354.4066
M4   57.96820812  0.0164  210.0919
SN4  58.43972973  0.0011  337.9813
MS4  58.98410406  0.0103  281.3336
MK4  59.06624132  0.0061  297.3330
S4   60.00000000  0.0035  219.9778
ZMN6 86.40793786  0.0040  262.8450
M6   86.95231219  0.0060  126.2008
ZMS6 87.96820812  0.0019  168.6256
ZSM6 88.98410406  0.0001  199.4752
S6   90.00000000  0.0003  353.0380
M8   115.93641625  0.0009  8.8196

# INFERRED CONSTITUENTS
#      NAME      SPEED      H      PHASE
#      =====
M1   14.49205203  0.0814  2.8926
T2   29.95893332  0.0093  8.0743
R2   30.04106668  0.0013  176.4759

# AVERAGE (Z0) = 29921.0511145
# SLOPE OF REMOVED LINEAR TREND = 0.0

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Table 6: Harmonic Analysis Result for Seafloor Pressure Data Series 3.

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Putris-MacBook-Pro:range3B putriakma1$ ../tappy.py analysis 1200C_range3B_press.txt
data_def_sea.txt --linear_trend

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#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	=====	=====	=	=====
	Ssa	0.08213725	0.0320	282.4636
	MSm	0.47152161	0.0208	17.8542
	Mm	0.54437433	0.0520	258.2491
	MSf	1.01589594	0.0248	257.1827
	Mf	1.09803319	0.1252	8.7435
	2Q1	12.85428678	0.0380	54.5514
	nuJ1	12.92713950	0.0464	99.2681
	Q1	13.39866111	0.2722	230.8040
	rho1	13.47151383	0.0451	279.7261
	O1	13.94303544	1.3842	61.9843
	MP1	14.02517269	0.0350	121.9490
	N01	14.49669430	0.1434	300.4224
	chi1	14.56954702	0.0227	307.6155
	P1	14.95893137	0.5410	58.0067
	K1	15.04106863	1.9173	75.9863
	phi1	15.12320588	0.0242	47.1439
	theta1	15.51259023	0.0184	226.7833
	J1	15.58544296	0.1017	280.6070
	S01	16.05696456	0.0199	122.6193
	001	16.13910182	0.1144	132.1947
	ups1	16.68347615	0.0192	333.9490
	MNS2	27.42383379	0.0046	148.5229
	2N2	27.89535540	0.0333	283.6133
	mu2	27.96820812	0.0160	8.9513
	N2	28.43972973	0.2922	121.6259
	nu2	28.51258245	0.0588	178.8229
	M2	28.98410406	1.1561	324.7062
	MKS2	29.06624132	0.0206	221.9041
	lambda2	29.45562567	0.0193	121.9898
	L2	29.52847839	0.0367	161.7920
	S2	30.00000000	0.1907	304.7934
	K2	30.08213725	0.0457	299.5723
	MSN2	30.54437433	0.0118	15.2557
	eta2	30.62651158	0.0074	51.9386
	2SM2	31.01589594	0.0024	341.0761
	M03	42.92713950	0.0036	224.1695
	M3	43.47615609	0.0273	229.8328
	S03	43.94303544	0.0064	57.4656
	MK3	44.02517269	0.0093	107.2915
	SK3	45.04106863	0.0109	31.2389
	MN4	57.42383379	0.0128	219.2956
	M4	57.96820812	0.0258	75.4035
	SN4	58.43972973	0.0042	315.4136
	MS4	58.98410406	0.0259	48.7648
	MK4	59.06624132	0.0047	140.3732
	S4	60.00000000	0.0044	117.4053
	2MN6	86.40793786	0.0054	253.6613
	M6	86.95231219	0.0086	122.0207
	2MS6	87.96820812	0.0064	104.1290
	2SM6	88.98410406	0.0033	98.7068
	S6	90.00000000	0.0014	39.3191
	M8	115.93641625	0.0001	183.1228
# INFERRED CONSTITUENTS				
#	NAME	SPEED	H	PHASE
#	=====	=====	=	=====
	M1	14.49205203	0.0983	6.0511
	T2	29.95893332	0.0112	7.9798
	R2	30.04106668	0.0015	176.3763
# AVERAGE (Z0) = 29747.0454099				
# SLOPE OF REMOVED LINEAR TREND = 0.0				

Table 7 : List of all body wave magnitude  $\geq 5$  occurred during the length of the CORK deployment in Borehole 1200C. (Data from the International Seismological Centre, 2011 and summarized by Vinas, 2013).

DATE	TIME	LAT	LON	DEPTH	AUTHOR	TYPE	MAG
3/29/01	2:01:24	12.636	143.643	33.7	NEIC	mb	5
4/2/01	6:50:04	11.845	147.385	33	HRVD	Mw	5.5
4/14/01	19:16:14	12.863	144.609	30.7	HRVD	Mw	5.3
4/27/01	18:58:46	15.727	147.442	35.2	HRVD	Mw	5.3
6/4/01	22:41:05	17.015	145.999	107.3	HRVD	Mw	5.7
8/3/01	22:13:01	11.802	142.717	21.8	NEIC	mb	5
8/4/01	18:55:10	15.757	147.404	50.1	HRVD	Mw	5.1
8/11/01	5:26:02	13.475	145.97	50	ISC	mb	5
10/11/01	21:06:55	11.97	142.17	54.2	NEIC	mb	5.1
10/12/01	15:02:20	12.716	144.975	61.8	HRVD	Mw	7
10/14/01	5:02:57	12.347	143.429	33	HRVD	Mw	5.2
10/23/01	12:04:53	14.197	145.223	97.1	NEIC	mb	5.1
10/31/01	19:12:13	14.797	147.014	24.8	MOS	mb	5
11/4/01	8:33:40	15.392	146.749	40.6	BJI	mb	5
11/22/01	11:18:33	11.913	142.671	33	MOS	mb	5
1/31/02	10:05:04	15.594	146.242	62.2	BJI	mb	5.1
2/9/02	18:27:01	13.749	144.622	155.1	BJI	mb	5.2
2/12/02	15:39:56	13.905	144.861	134.8	HRVD	Mw	5.8
3/3/02	11:52:32	13.015	143.695	140.1	BJI	mb	5.1
3/23/02	3:06:16	11.983	142.907	17.2	HRVD	Mw	5.2
4/10/02	11:47:23	11.515	142.068	36.7	ISC	MS	5
4/14/02	5:58:34	14.466	144.282	411.8	BJI	mb	5.1
4/15/02	3:52:07	13.011	143.823	121.2	HRVD	Mw	5.4
4/26/02	16:06:05	13.032	144.688	69.1	HRVD	Mw	7
5/21/02	23:45:34	13.998	145.04	131.4	HRVD	Mw	5.2
7/19/02	3:37:54	12.185	143.323	47.4	HRVD	Mw	5.1
8/2/02	6:32:45	16.829	146.359	64	HRVD	Mw	5
8/11/02	0:59:13	13.159	145.448	62.2	BJI	mb	5
8/14/02	13:57:55	14.036	146.278	54.5	HRVD	Mw	6.5
9/4/02	19:40:38	13.198	144.748	53.7	BJI	mb	5
9/22/02	16:33:55	12.795	145.216	43.4	MOS	mb	5.1
11/5/02	1:32:01	11.7137	142.0969	44.2	MOS	mb	5.1
11/12/02	7:12:40	13.5941	145.0543	128.8	HRVD	Mw	5.3
12/8/02	8:16:50	12.3545	144.2381	34.7	HRVD	Mw	5.1
12/8/02	11:29:09	12.4297	144.3798	33	BJI	MS	5.4
12/8/02	14:47:40	12.3666	144.6107	57.7	MOS	mb	5.1