



Geoid Model Estimation without Additive Correction Using KTH Approach for Peninsular Malaysia

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- Geoid Model – Vital information in determination of orthometric height via GNSS technology
- Determination of precise geoid model – global agenda.
- There are several approaches can be used in determination of geoid height such as Remove Compute Restore, UNB Stoke Helmerts and KTH approach.
- In this study, the geoid height is computed using KTH approach.

- Initiated by Lars E. Sjöberg in 1984.
- Also known as Least Square Modification of Stokes’
- The main goal of this approaches is to minimize the expected global mean squares errors.
- Surface gravity anomaly without any reduction process is used in this approaches.

$$N = \underbrace{\tilde{N}}_{\text{Estimation Geoid}} + \underbrace{\delta N_{comb}^{Topo} + \delta N_{dwc} + \delta N_{Tot}^{Atm} + \delta N_{Tot}^{Ell}}_{\text{Additive Correction}}$$

- The most fundamental formula in computing geoid height is Stokes's formula (Hofmann & Moritz, 2005).

$$N = \frac{R}{4\pi\gamma} \iint_{\sigma} S(\Psi) \Delta g d\sigma$$

- Gravity anomaly –located on geoid surface.
- Assume that no masses outside the geoid.

- Modified Stokes' Formula (KTH approach)

$$\tilde{N} = \frac{R}{4\pi\gamma} \iint_{\sigma_n} S_L(\psi) \Delta g^o d\sigma - \frac{R}{2\gamma} \sum_{n=2}^M (Q_n^L + s_n) \Delta g_n^{GGM}$$

Where:

S_L = Modified Stoke's function $S_L = S(\psi) - \sum_{n=2}^L \frac{2n+1}{2} s_n P_n(\cos\psi)$

Q_n^L = Molodensky truncation coefficient $Q_n^L = Q_n(\psi_o) - \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{2k+1}{2} s_k E_{nk}(\psi_o)$

s_n = Modification parameters

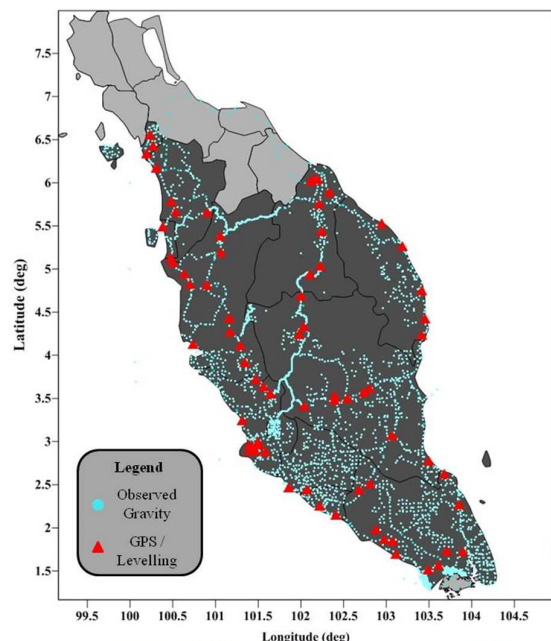
Δg^o = Land Observed Gravity Anomaly

Δg_n^{GGM} = GGM Gravity Anomaly

- Most important element in modified Stoke's formula is Modification Parameters (s_n)
- Modification Parameters (s_n) need to determine accurately.
- S_n solve by Least Square.
- The quality of S_n is depending to the quality of land observed gravity data, radius of integration cap (Ψ_o) and the characteristics of the GGM.

- **Land Observed Surface Gravity data**

- 3500 Land Observed Surface Gravity data.
- QC using cross validation
- 3224 passed and used in geoid determination





DATA USED



- **Global Geopotential Model**

- GOCO01s – pure satellite
- Composed : GOCE + GRACE
- Degree and order up to 224



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DATA USED



- **Digital Elevation Model**

- Combined 3arc second DSMM Digital Elevation Data (DTED) and 30 second SRTM data
- Mountainous area :- DSMM DTED
- Flat area:- SRTM data
- Used for interpolation and converting point to grid free air anomalies



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- **GNSS/GPS leveling**

- 70 GNSS/GPS levelling points
- Used to external and independent tools to estimate the accuracy of geoid height in absolute sense.
- GNSS/GPS levelling point was observed on the Benchmark or Standard Benchmark

- The modification parameter (s_n) need to be determine accurately
- Elements that contribute in accuracy of modification parameter (s_n) are:
 - ❖ Upper Limits of the GGM (**M**) and Stokes' Function (**L**)
 - ❖ Spherical cap (Ψ_0) and correlation distance (Ψ) around computation points
 - ❖ Estimation errors in observed land gravity data ($\sigma_{\Delta g}$).

- Elements examined in the determination of the Modified Coefficient Parameter

M=L	Integration Cap (Deg)	Correlation Length (Deg)	Terrestrial Error (mGal)
30			
60	0.1	0.05	0.40
120	0.5	0.10	1.00
150	1.0	0.20	5.00
180	2.0	0.30	10.00
max	3.0	0.40	20.00

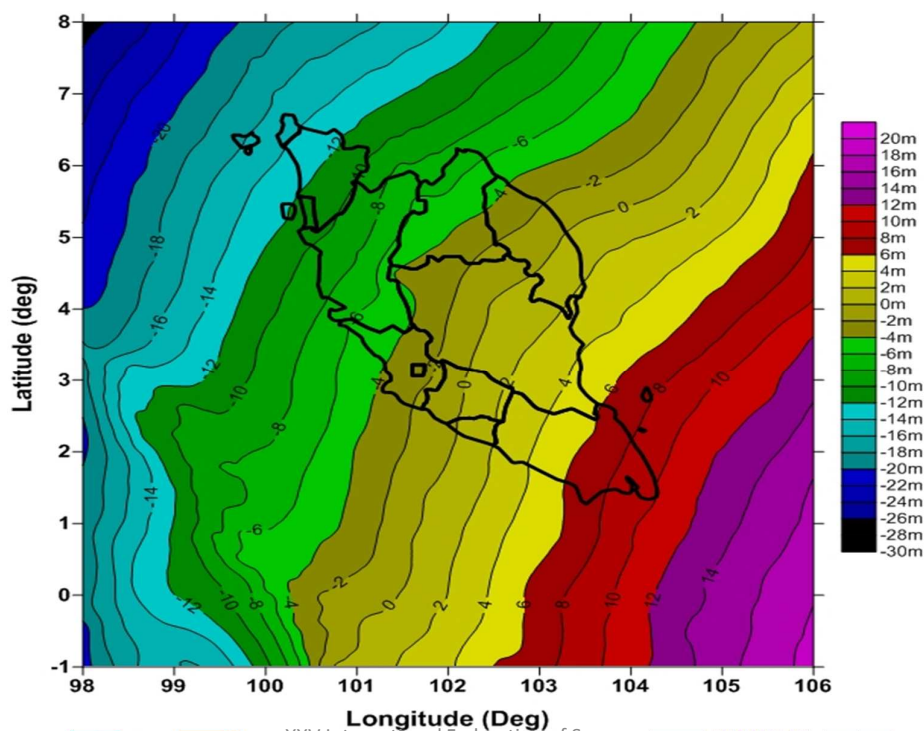
- One of the input condition parameters is replaced while the remaining condition parameters are fixed.
- The second condition parameter will be replaced and the process is repeated.

- The optimum modification coefficient parameter will be determined by comparing the result of the computed Gravimetric Geoid Model with known GPS/levelling datasets used in this study.

Step	Parameter	Different Option					
1	M=L	30	60	120	150	180	max
	Spherical Cap	3.0					
	Correlation Length	0.1					
	Terrestrial Error	0.4					
	Min	0.670	0.496	0.286	0.131	0.121	0.114
	Max	2.662	2.212	1.380	0.999	0.939	0.939
	Average	1.444	1.148	0.582	0.354	0.338	0.337
	RMSE	1.524	1.231	0.629	0.388	0.368	0.368
2	Spherical Cap		0.1	0.5	1.0	2.0	3.0
	M=L	180					
	Correlation Length	0.1					
	Terrestrial Error	0.4					
	Min		0.373	0.331	0.357	0.327	0.121
	Max		0.992	1.326	1.436	1.191	0.939
	Average		0.632	0.563	0.656	0.517	0.338
	RMSE		0.650	0.594	0.696	0.546	0.368

Step	Parameter	Different Option					
3	Correlation Length		0.05	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.40
	M=L	180					
	Spherical Cap	3.0					
	Terrestrial Error	0.4					
	Min		0.134	0.121	0.116	0.121	0.116
	Max		0.968	0.939	0.916	0.896	0.882
	Average		0.106	0.100	0.096	0.094	0.092
	RMSE		0.381	0.368	0.362	0.357	0.356
4	Terrestrial Error		0.40	1.00	5.00	10.00	20.00
	M=L	180					
	Spherical Cap	3.0					
	Correlation Length	0.4					
	Min		0.882	0.754	0.689	0.709	0.755
	Max		0.116	0.042	-0.028	-0.001	-0.050
	Average		0.330	0.305	0.291	0.289	0.285
	RMSE		0.356	0.330	0.321	0.324	0.335

- An estimated gravimetric geoid model of Peninsular Malaysia was developed using the KTH approach without additive corrections.
- The estimated geoid model of Peninsular Malaysia is computed based on a set of pre-determined modification coefficients.
- The optimum set of condition parameters: $M=L=180$, $\Psi_0=3.0^\circ$, $\Psi=0.4^\circ$ and $\sigma_{\Delta g}=5.0$ mGal.
- The accuracy of estimated gravimetric geoid model of Peninsular Malaysia is ± 32.1 cm





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