IDENTIFYING PERMEABILITY CONTROLS BY USE OF GRAVITY METHOD IN MENENGAI GEOTHERMAL FIELD, KENYA

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ABSTRACT

Surface studies done in Menengai field have indicated a huge geothermal potential and has led to the drilling of several wells. However, some of these wells have not produced as earlier projected and there are questions as to whether this field has enough permeability. The purpose of this study was to employ gravity method to understand density variations in the Menengai field by developing structural models and establishing whether there is enough permeability. Raw data received from Kengen and GDC was reduced to simple Bouguer data by subjecting it to all reduction procedures and gravity models developed using a Golden software program called Surfer. These models were then subjected to specific filters that helped in identification of structures responsible for permeability. These filters are: Band pass filter; applied to remove certain wavelengths, horizontal derivative filter; applied to image zones of sharp contrasts. Density inversion from results of simple Bouguer anomaly readings were generated by 3D inversion Grablox1.6 programme that calculated synthetic gravity anomaly of a 3D block model. Comparison of gravity and resistivity models indicates a good resemblance of the magmatic intrusion and the Tecto-Volcanic Axis (TVA's). From this analysis, permeability controls for Menengai geothermal field were identified as follows: caldera rim faults that contribute mostly to deep vertical recharge, NNE-SSW faults along Solai graben, NNW-SSE faults along Molo axis, the southern fault extending towards Lake Nakuru and the uplifting dome in the central part of the caldera which enhance further fracturing within the caldera. This has led to a conclusion that there is enough permeability in Menengai geothermal field. The research and its findings therefore have shown that gravity should be used as a key technique rather than a preliminary tool in geothermal exploration. The practice has mainly been to use gravity for deformation monitoring or as a preliminary tool. However, failure by other techniques in identifying permeability controls forms the basis of this study and from the results; it has been found that if well utilised gravity method could solve the many challenges encountered in geothermal exploration. The results from this study therefore would be of high importance to GDC if adopted and used in locating sites where geothermal wells can be drilled and to future researchers.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

- TVA Tectono Volcanic Axis.
- **NNW** North West orientation/direction.
- NNE North North East orientation/direction.
- NW North West orientation.
- NW-SE North West to South East orientation.
- NE-SW North East to South West orientation.
- **N-S** North to South orientation.
- GDC Geothermal Development Company.
- Kengen Kenya Electricity Generating Company.
- MWe Mega Watts electricity.
- **EM** Electromagnetics
- **TEM** Transient electromagnetic.
- MT Magneto tellurics.
- MW-01 A- Menengai well one A.
- Ma Million years.
- c.g.s Centimetre gram second system of units.
- SI- International System of Units

CHAPTER ONE

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

Chapter one highlights the area where the study was carried out giving a background of the study area. It introduces the area as a geothermal field and shows its location within the Kenyan section of the Rift. The chapter also focuses on the tectonic setting of the rift since this has a direct relationship with the topic of study. Also covered is the surface and structural geology for their significance on permeability. In summary, this chapter has covered the location and geology of the area.

1.2 Background of the study

Menengai is a field with huge geothermal potential. The field stands in an area of intracontinental crustal three-way rift intersection with the main Rift meeting the Nyanzian Rift. The main Rift is confined by North - South running rift scarps. The field covers the Ol-Banita plains towards northeast, Solai graben, Ol'Rongai and Menengai volcanoes.

This study paid more attention on the Menengai Volcano. This portion of the rift represent a splinter segment of the main lithospheric units as supported by high-pitched slopes on the flank to the east while on the west is a moderately inclined one (Bosworth, Lambiase, & Keisler, 1986). The central loop assemblies of Olbanita and Menengai calderas characterise failures related to withdrawal near surface magma compartments beneath. From an extract obtained from a report by Burke & Dewey, 1973, it was explained that there could be a mantle plume superimposed by Menengai – Ol'banita zone. The surface was said to include numerous eruptive volcanoes with caldera failures and concentration of tectonic grid faulting - block and fissure faults in its northern extents typical of extensional faulting related to divergence at crustal boundaries.

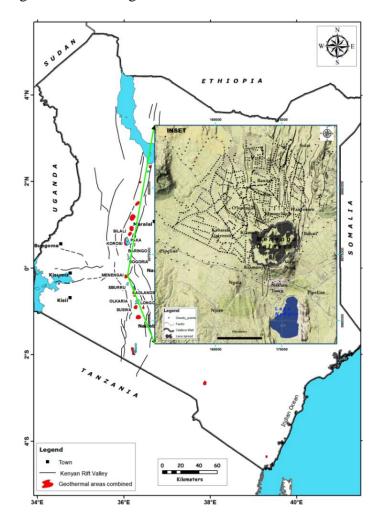


Figure 1: The Kenya Rift section showing position of Menengai(Omenda, 2007).

Massive volumes of pyroclastics shelter the gradients of Menengai and Ol'banita areas. These differ from welded pyroclastic flows, pumice rich ash deposits, ash fall and nearby lithic tuff projections adjacent to Menengai caldera. The source of these pyroclastics eruptives is the violent eruption leading to development of Menengai caldera (Simiyu et al., 2001). Geophysical investigations forms a key part since they are the only approach of detecting abysmal structures responsible for controlling the geothermal system which includes heat sources and conduits for geothermal fluids, with the latter being the missing link in many areas and hence a let-down in geothermal development. Gravity technique is very powerful in this regard but much attention has always been directed towards resistivity and seismic methods and even when used most workers tend to concentrate mainly on identifying heat sources. Kenya map displaying the position where Menengai lies within the Kenya Rift Valley, Figure 1. A detailed geology account of this area is given in this section under subsections 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4.

1.3 Tectonic setting

The Kenya Rift section is a prominent geographical and geological feature of interest. It is a tectonic feature running north to south. It forms a typical graben averaging 40 to 80 km wide, see Figure 1. The Kenyan section of the Rift is a portion of the great African Rift system which is an intra-continental separation region where rift tectonism accompanied by intense volcanism, has taken place from late Tertiary to Recent. The rift developed in an unchanging orogenic belt that abuts around a craton. Numerous Quaternary volcanoes occur within the Kenyan segment of the Rift floor. Within the rift floor, majority of the volcanic centres had single or multiple explosive phases which included collapsing of calderas. Several centres have scattered hydrothermal expressions and are imagined to accommodate geothermal systems driven by magmatic sources.

The Menengai field is situated in a zone associated with complex tectonic activity connected three way rift intersection. This section of the split is characterised by divergence forces with east -west pulls occasioned block faulting, comprising of sloping slabs as manifested in the two scarps plus the rift floor. The western region is characterised with narrow scarps that have been eroded resulting in gentle scarps, an indication of slight effects of movements. On the other hand, the eastern margins portray broader loops, with high-pitched slopes suggesting immediate dynamic activities.

There seems to be constant extension tectonics beneath the floor of the rift channel as demonstrated by several normal faults traversing this channel. Two TVA's essential in controlling Menengai geothermal system are: Molo TVA and Solai TVA.

1.4 Surface Geology

Figure 2 is a simple geology map of the Menengai area. The areas around the caldera are concealed by pyroclastics which erupted from centres related with Menengai volcano. The main caldera is in filled with post caldera lava flows which are young in age. Regions to the north exhibit Trachytic and phonolitic Pleistocene lavas superimposed by the main Menengai volcanics. Alluvials are found in low lying narrow grabens where they are placed as thin layers.

Menengai area is divided into three distinct regions whose external rocks paint different eruption styles for simplicity of explanations, these are: northern region comprising of escarpments with exposed older lava flows, the central region consisting of level grounds enclosed by by-products of plinian explosions with limited interfering escarpments and the Menengai. The caldera floor is filled largely by post caldera eruptives. The post caldera eruption lavas are believed to have followed volatile periods manifested by tuffaceous materials present in the caldera.

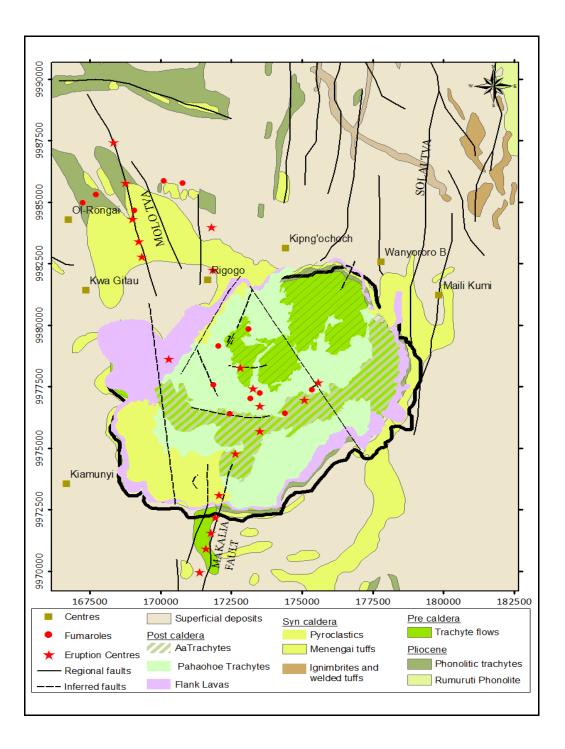


Figure 2: Geology of Menengai map. (Modified from Robinson, 2015)

1.5 Structural Geology

The regional tectonics map examines the structural systems of the wider Menengai area, Figure 3. The main systems in this region are classified into three categories, namely: Menengai caldera, Molo TVA and Solai TVA. The groups are independently discussed herein.

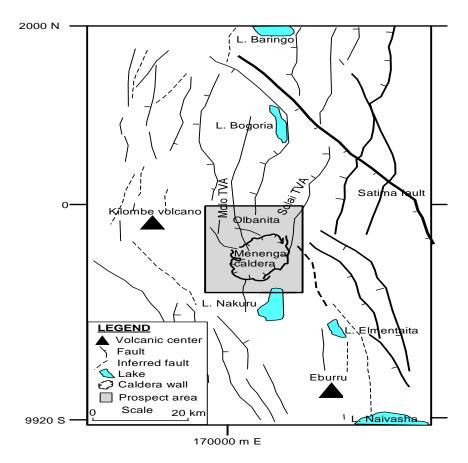


Figure 3: Structural map of Kenya. (Mungania et al., 2004)

1.5.1 Menengai Caldera

This large cauldron-like depression forms an oval sunken landform that has a main axes stretching for 11.5 kilometres and a minor axes estimated to measure 7.5 kilometres. The disk shaped caldera rim fault is effectively conserved with the sloping gradient measuring around 400 metres at selected places. The loop structure is disturbed on the NE end by the Solai graben faults and to SSW of the caldera wall by a fracture extending southwards, Figure 3. Notable disturbances are also evident in the NW and SE ends and could be pre caldera grabens. The floor of the caldera is covered by after caldera lavas to the level that

it is impossible to approximate collapse depth and structures inside the caldera floor. On the other hand, the caldera floor is covered by lavas from fissure eruptions.

1.5.2 Molo Tectono-volcanic Axis

Molo TVA is a notable physical feature symbolized externally by a region characterised with faults and breaks through which eruptions take place (Geotermica Italiana, 1987), Figure 3. The feature stretches from south eastern part of Lake Baringo basin and areas to the east of Lake Bogoria where it creates a 4 km graben cutting through Lake Bogoria phonolites a distant up north of the study region. On the eastern limits of Molo TVA are the Arus steam jets. This structure also advances to the south below Menengai volcanics and re-emerges again in the Ol'rongai region.

The Ol'rongai system forms part of the greater Molo TVA that has been characterised by numerous volcanic activities before such as eruptions that occasioned the formation of a NNW drifting continuous elevated crest.

1.5.3 Solai Tectono-volcanic Axis

This axis forms a graben that is 4 km in width trending in a north-south orientation extending from the east of the caldera and past Solai. The axis comprises several N- S trending faults structures. The eastern edge of the graben perhaps spreads to the base of Marmanet scarp. The northern end passes via L. Bogoria trachy-phonolites, north west of Kisanana. The southern extension beneath the Menengai volcanic load is an important hydrogeological control and likely permeability improvement of fragile lava formations underlying the Menengai eruptives.

1.6 Problem Statement

After many years of using geophysical methods in geothermal exploration in Kenya, little is known of permeability before drilling. Information on permeability before drilling is a must have for increased confidence and assured success. This has been a major challenge and if not well dealt with could act as an impediment to the country's set target of electricity from geothermal resources.

1.7 Objectives

This study was guided by the following main and specific objectives.

1.7.1 Main objective

The main intention for this research was to carry out gravity data modelling to understand density variations in the Menengai caldera and therefore uncover the subsurface structures with more focus on the fracture zones.

1.7.2 Specific Objectives

The specific goals of this research were:

- i. To develop gravity structural models.
- ii. To establish the presence of permeability.
- iii. To compare Gravity models with Resistivity models.

1.8 Research Questions

This research sought to answer these three questions:

- i. Can gravity method be successfully used in determining permeability?
- ii. Is there permeability in Menengai?
- iii. Is there a relationship between gravity models and existing resistivity models?

1.1 Significance of the Study

Gravity method is good in identifying subsurface structures; however previous works concentrated mainly on identifying the heat sources or intrusions. For a complete geothermal system, three main components are important, namely: heat source, permeability and a cap rock; out of the three, permeability is the most elusive.

1.2 Limitations of the Study

This research work was undertaken within the Kenyan Rift Valley which is characterised by numerous fault structures. The limitation to this study therefore is that its findings might not be used as a template or a guide in sedimentary environment.

1.3 Assumptions of the Study

This study assumed that gravity method is good for identifying buried structures and therefore best for characterising permeability.

CHAPTER TWO

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Introduction

Geothermal is a term used to refer to energy confined in the rocks and fluids filling fractures and pores in rocks within the earth's crust. The key source of geothermal energy is understood to be radioactive decay happening deep inside the earth (Smith, 1983). This chapter looks into detail the current geothermal trends in Kenya i.e. a short history from 1950's to date and the MWe realised so far. The chapter covers a short overview of permeability since this forms the basis of this study. Also discussed herein are the different geothermal exploration techniques namely: geology, geochemistry and geophysics. Theory and application of gravity method used as a tool for identification of permeable areas is also discussed in this chapter. Review of previous works done is covered in detail and deductions made revealing gaps that needed further study.

2.2 Geothermal Development in Kenya

Geothermal exploration in Kenya has been on-going ever since the fifties and so far, the country has an estimated geothermal potential of 10,000 MWe (Gichira 2012) yet only 676.8 MWe has been realised and connected to the grid. This is approximately 30 per cent of the total installed capacity. Much of this comes from Olkaria geothermal field with an installed capacity of 674.4 MWe and a pilot plant in Eburru geothermal field producing the remaining 2.4 MWe. Further expansion of geothermal has been accelerated by commissioning of 335 MWe in 2014-2016 from conventional power plants and well head units. Production drilling at the Olkaria geothermal project for an extra 560 MWe plants to be established under the on-going Public Private Partnership arrangement between the

private sector and Kengen. Currently, Geothermal Development Company is drilling in Menengai field with an aim of realizing 105 MWe scheduled for commissioning sometime in 2018. Areas where detailed surface data has been acquired includes: Korosi, Baringo, Silali, Paka, Longonot and Suswa with exploration drilling anticipated to begin soon in Silali and Baringo.

2.3 Permeability

The ability of rocks to transmit fluids through the pore spaces is called permeability, it is denoted by k and its SI unit is m² (Schön 2015). This is dependent on the connectivity of pore spaces, thus permeability is interrelated to porosity. Pore spaces need to be interlinked and packed with water for fluid transmission to take place (Heap et al., 2018). The extent of pore interconnectivity is called effective porosity. The variation of permeability values in geological materials is enormously big with the most permeable materials having values that are many times higher than the least permeable ones. In addition to the features of the host material, fluid pressure and viscosity also influence the flow speed of fluids (Lee et al., 2006)

2.4 Different exploration disciplines

Geothermal energy exploration involves different disciplines namely; geophysics, geochemistry and geology. Under geophysics, there are different techniques which include: magnetics, gravity, seismology and electromagnetism.

2.4.1 Geophysics

The science that involves study of physical parameters of the earth e.g. magnetism, density, seismicity and resistivity of rocks is referred as geophysics (Lowrie 1997).

In geothermal resource surveys, gravity and magnetic investigations are employed mostly for mapping geological structures. The main applications are identifying the location and depth of buried intrusives, locating faults and dikes and the depth to the basement. In particular, magnetic method is useful in evaluating paleo-magnetism and locating hydrothermally-altered areas while gravity on the other hand is employed to map geological formations and density contrasts. Subsurface rocks have different densities, thus diverse gravitational forces.

Seismic measurements can be either active or passive. Active seismic involves mounting of sensors at different strategic positions in the ground followed by injection of waves into the ground. The energy that reflects back at different times and locations on the surface is then recorded using geophone receivers. When this data is processed, information about the subsurface, including the types of rocks and fault structures is extracted. This information can also be compared with gravity to get more precise velocity models which offer better depth approximations, hence, beneficial while developing conceptual models and ultimately finding drilling locations.

A passive seismic method involves mounting of sensors at strategic positions in the area of interest and makes use of micro-earthquake activities which are induced naturally. When this data is retrieved and processed, it is then used to outline permeable fractures that forms flow conduits for geothermal fluids and demarcate the fragile-tensile zone. This information could also be useful in monitoring important pointers in induced and natural reservoir phase changes during geothermal resource exploitation (Simiyu & Keller, 1998). Electromagnetic methods have been confirmed to be beneficial geophysical tools in exploration of geothermal resources. This is because spatial distribution of conductivity in geothermal areas is determined by the host rock distribution and is also directly related to

the distribution of the real exploration goal (Berktold, 1983). Two main methods are employed here namely Transient electromagnetic (TEM) and Magnetotellurics (MT).

2.4.2 Geochemistry

The use of tools and principles of chemistry to describe the mechanisms behind key geological systems such as the Earth's crust and oceans is referred to as geochemistry (Sentosa 2018). Geochemical techniques are an important and a useful addition to the hydrological, geological and geophysical techniques employed in geothermal energy development. Geochemical techniques are applied from the exploration stage to the plant operation stage of geothermal energy development.

The chemistry of thermal fluids collected at the surface is used as an indicator of fluid behaviour in the subsurface. Geochemical study of thermal fluids provides information on the origin, temperature, flow pattern and other characteristics of the subsurface fluids. Chemical reaction within thermal fluids is controlled by equilibration of chemical components in the fluids according to changes in temperature, boiling, variation in host rocks and other changes in physical conditions.

2.4.3 Geology

The role of geology in geothermal exploration is mainly for search of heat source and permeability. Geological mapping of the surface geology is used as proxy to the condition of the source of heat. In Menengai the caldera pyroclastics have dated and this has been discussed by several scientists. A number of these researchers and their important findings are given here, i.e. Jones and Lippard (1979) said the post-caldera is1400 years old. (Leat 1983) explained that the younger lavas are 12,850 years while the older lavas were dated to 29,000±300 years. Later (Geotermica Italiana, 1987) based its research on carbon dating of paleo-soils and approximated the age of the eruptives to be 14,900±900 years.

Similar lava flows of equivalent freshness (lacking disturbances) like the Olkaria's Ololbutot lavas are dated around 180±50 years (Clarke, et al., 1986). This young age of the rocks in volcanoes is an important indicator of an active magma system hence heat source.

Geological structures are in important for fluid paths and are good targets for well drilling. Menengai surface data indicate that most important structures are N-S and NW-SE. These are related to regional tectonics. A result from current drilled wells proves this fact, e.g. well MW-01A encounters a NW-SE resulting in a very productive well. Geological structures are mapped using remote sensing and by traverses in the field.

Findings from these three disciplines; geophysics, geochemistry and geology are incorporated to develop conceptual models for successful geothermal resources development. For successful exploration, development and utilization of geothermal resources, a clear definition and knowledge of attributes related to the area of concern is essential. To achieve this, a conceptual model which is an expressive and qualitative model incorporating the essential physical features of the system is developed.

2.5 Gravity Method

2.5.1 Theory

This method is centred on two Newton's laws: the Law of Universal Gravitation, and the Second Law of Motion. The Universal law of motion says that force (F) of attraction between two objects of known mass is directly related to the product of the two masses (Mm) and inversely related to the square of the distance separating their midpoints, Equation 1 (Blakely 1996). Therefore, the larger the separation of the two centres of mass, the smaller the pull between them.

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$$F = G \frac{Mm}{R^2}.$$
 (1)

Where,

F - Force of attraction,

G - Represents a constant (6.67 x 10-11 Nm2kg-2),

Mm - Denotes the two masses, M is mass of the earth while m is mass of the anomaly,

R²- Distance between the two masses.

Newton's 2^{nd} law of motion states objects of acceleration is a ratio of the net force acting on it and the objects mass, a=F/m. However, this is usually redone to a more universally accepted and familiar form as shown in Equation 2. When the acceleration (a) is due to gravity, then the force in a vertical direction and hence a in a=F/m is replaced with g to imply acceleration due to gravity. Theoretically, this law can therefore be given as follows:

F = mg (2)

Where,

F - The attraction force,

m - The objects mass,

g – Acceleration as a result of gravity.

When equations 1 and 2 are combined (Equation 3), another simple relationship is obtained (Equation 4):

 $F = G \frac{Mm}{R^2} = mg \dots (3)$

thus;

This clearly demonstrates that the scale of acceleration owing to gravity on Earth, g, is a ratio of Earth's mass (M) and the square of its radius (R). Hypothetically, acceleration owing to gravity would be constant over the Earth but ideally is not. In real world however, gravity differs from place to place since the earth is spherical, it rotates, and has an uneven outward topography and inconsistent mass distribution. The default value of g on Earth's surface is 9.8 m/s². The c.g.s. unit of acceleration due to gravity is Gal; this was adopted in honour of Galileo Current gravimeters can measure exceptionally minor differences in acceleration due to gravity. The sensitivity of these instruments is roughly ten ppm (Blakely 1996).

2.5.2 Applications

In geothermal surveys, the principal aim of acquiring and analysing gravity data is to bring improved knowledge of the subsurface geology (Hinze 1990). This technique is comparatively inexpensive and environmentally friendly remote sensing method. This method does not require putting of energy into the ground for purposes of obtaining data; consequently, the technique is very appropriate for a populated locale.

Differences in the Earth's gravitational field are triggered by variations of sub-surface rock density. Gravity technique has been used widely in search for oil and gas mostly in the twentieth century. In a report published by Reynolds in 1977, gravity method has other applications namely: regional geological studies, isostatic compensation determination, hydrocarbon surveys and mass estimation of mineral deposits, detection of subsurface cracks, location of concealed rock valleys, determination of glacier thickness, tidal oscillations, archaeo-geophysics, geodesy, changes in water table levels, identification of buried groves, caves, sinkholes and near-surface faults, military especially in missile trajectories and deformation monitoring.

Gravity method works when objects below the earth's surface bear different masses, which reflects objects having different density from the surrounding material. However, the measured earth's gravitational field is affected in various ways by the earth's shape and rotation, earth tides and topographic changes which have to be eliminated before interpretation. This method has better depth of penetration as compared to, EM methods and ground penetrating radar.

2.6 Previous works

The rift valley is characteristic of surface indicators such as altered grounds, fumaroles and hotsprings. Previous researchers have described the origin of these features in similar ways. The findings by previous researchers are discussed as per the respective method, namely: gravity, seismology and EM. According to (Searle, 1970), the anomaly is a high dense intrusion originating from the mantle and has a width of 20 km spreading from 20 km deep. Hearly, 1975 explained that a system as such would have its source of heat associated to arising dyke from an intra-crustal magma reservoir. The rift axis was said to be associated with an intermittent narrow positive anomaly running from Lake Turkana to Lake Magadi in the south with varying width and amplitude.

The long-lived trachytic volcanism in the rift was explained by subsequent fractional crystallization of basalts, without the necessity of transverse structures facilitating magma ascent (Leat, 1991). The presence of hot mantle material beneath the Kenya dome since the onset of volcanism here at 15-20 ma was discovered to still be well-matched with the sudden change in mantle longitudinal wave velocities as the rift margins are intersected (Mechie et al., 1997).

Gravity maps of the central Kenya Rift show a long-wavelength bouguer anomaly minimum and axially aligned short-wavelength highs (Swain et al. 1994; Simiyu and Keller 1997; 2001). All late Quaternary trachytic volcanoes, including Menengai and Ol'rongai, are distributed along positive anomalies, rather than along the young, regionalscale left-stepping faults. Detailed analysis of gravity data showed anomaly with an amplitude of 30 milliGal, half-wavelength of 15 km and a NW-SE trending anomaly interpreted to be related to the heat source (Simiyu and Keller, 1998). Band pass filtering indicated that the NE- SW trending anomaly has two maxima with amplitude up to 15 and 24 mGal. They also identified linear positive anomalies showing control of structures in the basement and shallow bodies related to Menengai volcanic activity. During this study, a basaltic melt magma body was postulated as the main heat source directly beneath the caldera. Gravity data interpretation by analysis Bouguer anomaly map indicated presence of a high density body in the central part of the caldera (Figure 4). Since the volcano is relatively young this body could still be hot, the heat being conducted to near surface regions by dykes (Mariita et al., 2004). Tectonic activities affect geological landscape physically in the subsurface. These activities causes among others tension, compression and bending leading to fracturing of rocks (Hasanah et al., 2016).

Regional seismic studies of the crust along the Kenyan rift, showed significant differences in crust structure between the northern, Central and southern parts of the rift valley (Simiyu and Keller, 2001). The rift fill thickness varies from 1.5 km to 5 km underlain by basement material of velocity 6.05 km/s. High velocity bodies associated with the Menengai, Olkaria and Suswa Quaternary volcanic centres were mapped (Figure 5).

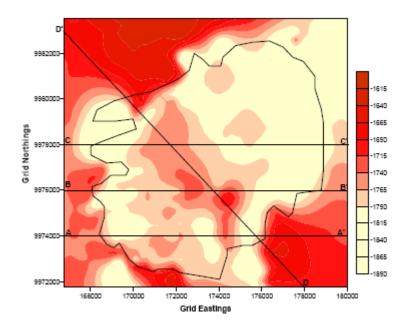


Figure 4: Bouguer anomaly map of Menengai area. The line running from east to west and the one running from the North West to South East are profiles (Mariita et al., 2004).

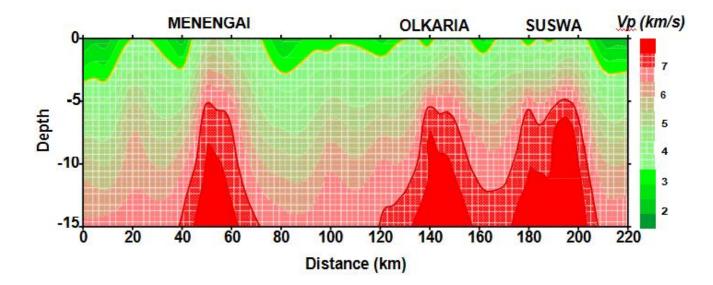


Figure 5: Seismic Velocity model along the Rift axis showing high velocity zones beneath Menengai, Olkaria and Suswa Volcanic centers based on the KRISP 1985-1990 axial model by Simiyu and Keller, 2001.

Magnitude-distance distribution for earthquakes have a greater proportion of the smallest earthquakes of magnitude 1.5 and less are recorded very close and within the network centre but fewer and larger magnitude 1.5 and greater on the periphery. This result is similar to recording in other high temperature and pressure geothermal fields such as Olkaria, Kenya (Simiyu and Keller, 2001 and (Stroujkova & Malin, 2000). The amplitude and depth of the seismic activity peak is predicted to decrease with increasing geothermal gradient.

Earthquakes represent a sudden slippage of rock along a fracture surface and generally should be restricted to a zone of brittle deformation. The maximum depth in a region at which earthquake intensity peaks will delineate the brittle-ductile transition zone, (Meissner & Strehlau, 1982). It was suggested that stress along the rift floor in the Central Kenya Rift area was being released by micro-seismic activities in geothermal areas but by larger earthquake sequences along the rift boundary faults (Fairhead and Stuarts, 1982). This interpretation was also supported by recent seismic intensity, magnitude and depth distribution analysis in Lake Bogoria and Olkaria (Young et al, 1994 and (Simiyu, 1999). It was alluded that geothermal fields owe their existence to the presence of molten rock in the crust.

The location of these bodies in many fields has been mapped by analyzing regions of high S wave attenuation. It was realized there were diminished S wave amplitudes in some of the seismograms and spectral analysis of arrival times and first motion showed that the signals were of low dominant frequencies less than 3 Hz (Simiyu & Keller, 1998). This was taken to imply that the rays were passing through a molten body or less compacted low velocity material near surface. This either suggests the axial intrusion of magma or the significance of intra-rift horst blocks to influence the gravity signal, (Simiyu and Keller 2001). Another suggestion was made by that there exist intrusions below the Menengai,

Olkaria and Suswa volcanoes as shown in the Bouguer map (Figure 6).

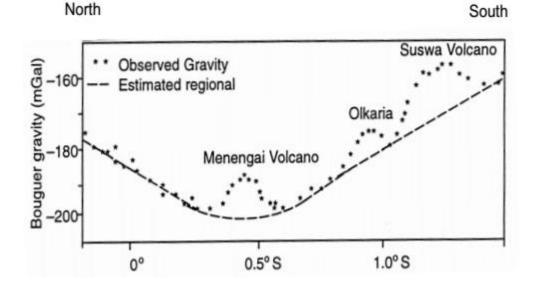


Figure 6: Anomalous bodies below Menengai volcano (Simiyu and Keller 2001). Bouguer results showed a positive gravity anomaly in the middle of the caldera (Figure 7), which was interpreted as a magmatic intrusion (Wamalwa 2011; 2013).

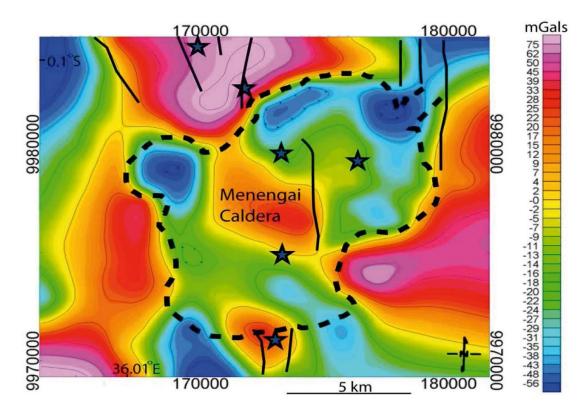


Figure 7: Bouguer anomaly of Menengai (Wamalwa 2011; 2013).

These studies led to a conclusion that the central-caldera structures were incompatible with the remainder of the structural inventory and thus were interpreted to reflect a local, magmatically driven stress-field perturbation.

Measurements and modelling of magneto telluric data recorded a less resistive zone at a depth of 3 km (Figure 8), this was associated with a molten body (Wamalwa 2011; 2013). It therefore appears likely that the observed structures are the direct result of magmatic addition into the shallow parts of the crust, associated with localized growth of topography and the generation of local structures, independent of the regional tectonic stress field.

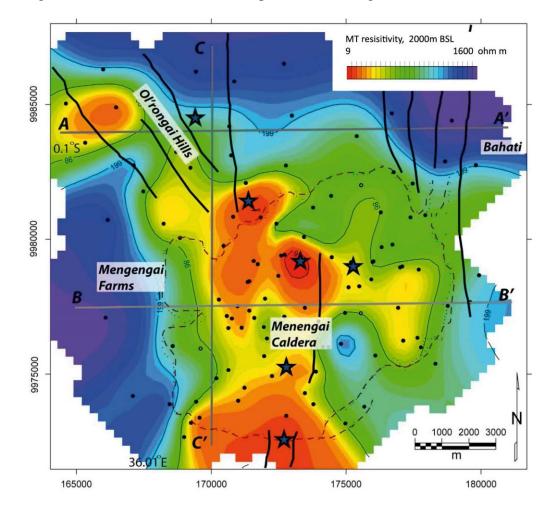


Figure 8: Resistivity map of Menengai at a depth of 3 km below surface (Wamalwa

2011; 2013).

The interest to do more research and reinterpretation of gravity data was reignited by the renewed interest by the government of Kenya to explore geothermal resources in Menengai caldera and by the fact that all the previous researchers focused mainly on the intrusion and therefore the author of this research work found a gap where permeability was not taken as serious a component as in geothermal exploration.

CHAPTER THREE

3. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1 Introduction

This chapter covers the research design adopted for the study which is a case study of a geothermal field in Kenya. The raw gravity data used for this study was obtained from Kengen and GDC. This raw data was then subjected to reduction procedures to simple Bouguer and thereafter several filters were applied to achieve the set objectives. The reduction procedures are discussed in this chapter, section 3.5.

3.2 Research Design

The design of experiment for this research was a quantitative descriptive case study of Menengai geothermal field aimed at developing structural models, establishing whether there is permeability and to test the relationship between gravity derived structural models to those of EM method. The data used was collected in the period between years 2001 and 2015 by Kengen and GDC.

Table 1 is a sample of the data used while the rest of the data is contained in the appendix.

Eastings	Northings	Elevation	SBA
156700	9982130	1843	-1819
156700	9983380	1824	-1813
156750	9998600	1655	-1680
156930	9979050	1914	-1837
156930	9988930	1719	-1714
156950	9987500	1737	-1752
156960	9977710	1937	-1861

Table 1: Sample data showing in summary the data that was the backbone of this

survey.

Eastings	Northings	Elevation	SBA
170590	9998680	1614	-1658
170610	9999300	1594	-1659
170620	9999150	1596	-1664
170630	9997100	1680	-1660
170650	9974350	2010	-1794
170680	9985950	1746	-1598
170680	9997590	1673	-1654

157050	9973530	2035	-1888
157050	9984610	1800	-1797
157050	9991730	1679	-1733
157130	9980280	1880	-1846
157150	9983250	1821	-1814
157180	9981990	1846	-1816
157200	9982500	1836	-1812
157200	9990000	1700	-1702
165200	9969900	1919	-1660
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
165200	9984300	1791	-1678
165200	9991180	1654	-1602
165200	9991180	1654	-1602
165220	9989790	1697	-1582
165230	9983100	1823	-1723
165230	9983100	1823	-1723
165250	9974110	2029	-1767
165260	9977700	1992	-1766
165280	9988510	1721	-1583
165280	9993800	1615	-1613
165300	9975300	2025	-1770
165390	9980630	1941	-1745
165410	9988410	1724	-1581
165480	9984700	1791	-1653

3.3 Reliability and Validity

Reliability is concerned with questions of stability and consistency. It is the degree to which a study tool steadily yields results persistently. In the field, data is acquired in stacks of three per station which helps in reliability and reproducibility check. Once the data is downloaded to a computer, it is opened in Microsoft Excel for manipulation and sorting. The stacks are then compared and the one with the lowest standard deviation is preferred to the other two. Next the gravimeter tilt check is done for the three stacks downloaded and the stack with the smallest XY tilt value is preferred to the other two.

The gravity meters used in data collection have a spring constant which is regularly determined by simply repeating measurements at the same stations at different times of the day. This corrects for instrument drift and earth tides.

Validity test of a data collection instrument enables us to ascertain that we are measuring the correct concept. To validate the data, surface structural features and gravity structural models were overlain and the rim of the caldera featured conspicuously in all. This check confirmed that the measuring instrument was able to access the right concept. This was demonstrated in Chapter four in all figures.

3.4 Instrumentation

The instrument for measuring the variation of the earth is called a gravimeter. There exists two types of gravimeters, absolute and relative meters. The latter measures relative changes in g between two points while the former measures actual value of gravitational acceleration by measuring the speed of a falling mass using a laser beam.



Figure 9: A photo of Scintrex CG-5 relative gravimeter

For the relative meters, two equipments are recommended where one remains stationed at the base station so as to continuously adjust for the drift correction while the second meter is used as a rover. The rover is used to collect data from one station to another. In case only one meter is available, the same equipment is used as a rover for collecting data from station to station while still visiting and taking a reading at the base station after every 1-2 hours. A base station is a point whose absolute value is known and it is from this that the absolute values for all other stations are calculated.

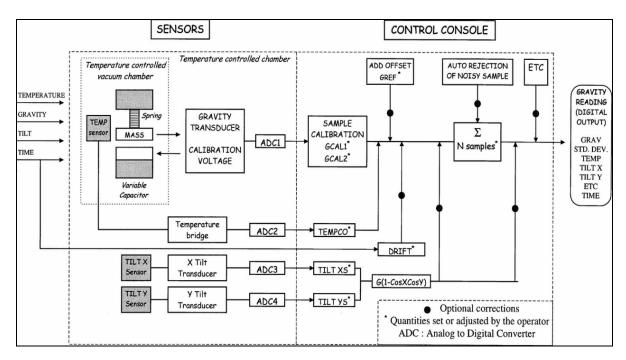


Figure 10: Acquisition scheme for the Scintrex (Bonvalot et al., 1998, modified from Scintrex 1995).

The acquisition scheme is divided into sensors and control console (Figure 10). The sensors part consists mainly of elements that detect density variations, temperatures changes, equipment tilts and time. These elements detect physical signals which are then converted to active circuit signals by the transducers. These signals are in analog mode and are therefore converted to digital format by the analog to digital converters (ADCs).

TEMPCO is the temperature correction factor determined by the manufacturer. GCAL 1 and GCAL 2 are the first and second-order calibration factors of the gravity signal and DRIFT is the correction factor used for the instrumental linear drift correction.

The control console consists of elements that require adjustment by the operator. The parameters TILT XS and TILT YS are the tilt sensor sensitivities adjusted by the operator while ETC is the software-computed Earth tide correction based on the Longman algorithm. The final output is the Gravity reading and parameters that affects that reading which includes: Standard Deviation, Temperature, ETC, Time and Tilts (X and Y).

3.5 Data Acquisition

The following are steps involved in design and gravity data collection from identification of the study area to actual data collection in the field:

The first step involves identification of the survey area. For this case, the area identified for this study is Menengai. The second step in data collection involves Drift calibration of the gravimeter. Drift calibration is done to ensure that the equipment stabilizes to the original settings of the creeping spring. Once drift calibration is done, the next step involves identification of an absolute gravity station whose absolute gravity value is known. This is important in order to calculate the absolute gravity values for the survey stations. Next is setting up of a base station which is done to perform drift correction of the data on a day to day basis without which gravity data would be impractical and hence unreliable. The base station should be in an accessible place and should be a little bit outside the survey area in a geologically stable ground and quiet area away from the noise of GPS and gravity stations. Once the base station is setup, field data collection can now begin.

These processes are illustrated as shown in the following flow diagram (Figure 11).

When the actual data acquisition begins, the first thing to is to take a gravity reading at the base station in the morning and then proceed to individual gravity stations and finish in the evening at the same base station. At each gravity station, the height of the gravimeter, the gravity reading, standard deviation, tide, time, date and station name were recorded in a field note book in addition to the saving data in the gravimeter for retrieval later. Information on the latitude, longitude and elevation for each reading station was also recorded using a differential GPS for greater accuracy.

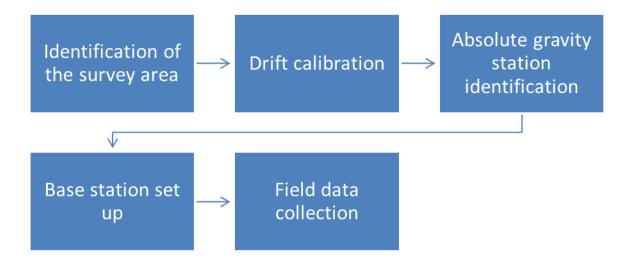


Figure 11: A flow diagram illustrating gravity data acquisition processes.

Desktop studies were carried out and it was established that Kengen and GDC had already done extensive gravity data acquisition in the area. The source of raw gravity data for this study was therefore acquired from these two state corporations. Figure 12 is an illustrative drawing showing measurements and indicates the comparative surface difference of gravitational acceleration related to subsurface features. When the craft flies above a heavier rock mass, the gravitational pull increases above normal while the curve above reflects the gravity behaviour.

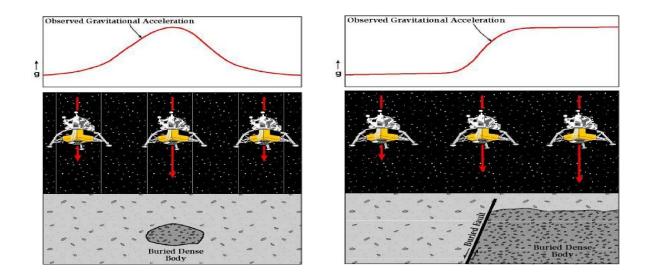


Figure 12: Graphics illustrating relative surface difference of gravitational acceleration over masses of varying densities.

3.6 Reduction Procedures

When a reading is recorded, it is multiplied by an instrumental calibration factor to produce a value of observed gravity (gobs) since meters do not record direct gravity measurements. The correction process is known as gravity data reduction or reduction to the geoid. The various corrections that can be applied are the following:

Instrument drift - Gravimeter readings change (drift) with time as a result of elastic creep in the springs, producing an apparent change in gravity at a given stations. The instrumental drift can be determined simply by repeating measurements at the same stations at different times of the day, typically every 1 - 2 hours.

Earth's tides - Just as the water in the oceans responds to gravitational pull of the Moon, and to a lesser extent of the Sun, so too does the solid earth. Earth tides give rise to a change in gravity of up to three gravity units with a minimum period of about 12 hours. Repeated measurements at the same stations permit estimation of the necessary correction for tidal effects over short intervals, in addition to determination of the instrumental drift for a gravimeter.

Observed gravity (*Gobs*) - Gravity readings observed at each gravity station after corrections have been applied for instrument drift and earth tides.

Latitude correction (Gn) - Correction subtracted from gobs that accounts for Earth's elliptical shape and rotation. The gravity value that would be observed if Earth were a perfect (no geologic or topographic complexities), rotating ellipsoid is referred to as the normal gravity.

Where,

Lat - is latitude Free-air corrected gravity (gfa) - The free-air correction accounts for gravity variations caused by elevation differences in the observation locations.

Free-air gravity anomaly - The free-air correction accounts for gravity variations caused by elevation differences in the observation locations (gfa) is given by:

Gfa = gobs - gn + 0.3086h (mGal).....(6)

Where, h is the elevation (in m) at which the gravity station is above the datum (typically sea level).

Bouguer slab corrected gravity (gb) - The Bouguer correction is a first-order correction to account for the excess mass underlying observation points located at elevations higher than the elevation datum (sea level or the geoid). Conversely, it accounts for a mass deficiency at observation points located below the elevation datum. The form of the Bouguer slab corrected gravity, gb is given by:

$$Gb = gobs - gn + 0.3086h - 0.04193r h (mGals)....(7)$$

Where r is the average density of the rocks underlying the survey area.

Terrain corrected bouguer gravity (gt) - The terrain correction accounts for variations in the observed gravitational acceleration caused by variations in topography near each observation point. Because of the assumptions made during the Bouguer Slab correction, the terrain correction is positive regardless of whether the local topography consists of a mountain or a valley. The form of the Terrain corrected, Bouguer gravity anomaly, gt, is given by:

Gt = gobs - Gn + 0.3086h - 0.04193rh + TC (mGal).....(8)

Where TC is the value of the computed terrain correction.

After accounting for all these variations accurately, the rest is expected to be caused by subsurface structures Equations 5-8 have been modified from (LaFehr 1991).

Bouguer anomaly - The end product of gravity data reduction is the Bouguer anomaly which should correlate only with lateral variations in density of the upper crust and which is of most interest to applied geophysicist and geologists. The bouguer anomaly is the difference between the observed gravity value (gobs), adjusted by the algebraic sum of all the necessary corrections. The variation of the bouguer anomaly should reflect the lateral variation in density such that a high density feature in a lower-density medium should give rise to a positive bouguer anomaly (LaFehr 1991). Conversely, a low density feature in a higher density medium should result in a negative bouguer anomaly.

Once Bouguer anomaly has been achieved, trend surface analysis is done on the data and several filters applied to achieve the set objectives. The objective of trend surface analysis is to extract the long wave component of the Bouguer anomaly derived from the deep subsurface composition. Trend surface is obtained by approximating the long wave component of the Bouguer anomaly by the n-order curved surface. Trend analysis is a directional filter to enhance particular strike direction (Figure 13).

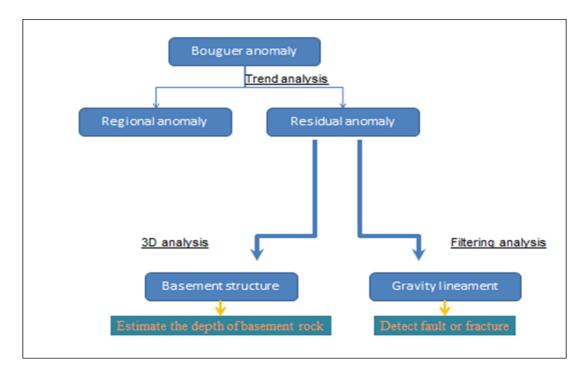


Figure 13: General flow of Gravity analysis.

After separation of long wavelength from the short wavelength, the resultant data is specific to the particular area of interest without influence from the regional dynamics. The data was loaded to surfer platform, a program by golden software for gridding to develop Gravity structural models. The gridding method applied for data that is well distributed in an area is called Kriging. This method is an advanced geostatistical procedure that generates an estimated surface from a scattered set of points.

On this platform, the data was further subjected to two filters namely: Band pass filter; applied to remove certain wavelengths, horizontal derivative filter; applied to image zones of sharp contrasts. These two filters helped in identification of structures responsible for permeability in Menengai geothermal field.

CHAPTER FOUR

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

4.1 Introduction

The main focus of this study was on the production depth where permeability is expected to be more pronounced. This chapter therefore discusses results with respect to permeability controls in the area of study. Bouguer anomaly map was developed with all the necessary reductions applied and subsequent filters applied to achieve the set objectives.

4.2 Discussions

The Bouguer anomaly map that was developed shows an almost complete circular gravity low within the caldera associated with permeability and notable relative high gravity in the central part of the caldera (Figure 14). The high amplitude gravity gradients in this map could indicate contact zones that separate this high gravity anomaly and the faulted zones. The dense body in the central part of the caldera coincide with the dome area. It is deduced that this anomaly represents a magmatic intrusion. To perform trend surface analysis, band pass filter was applied to filter low and high wavelengths and this slightly improved interpretation.

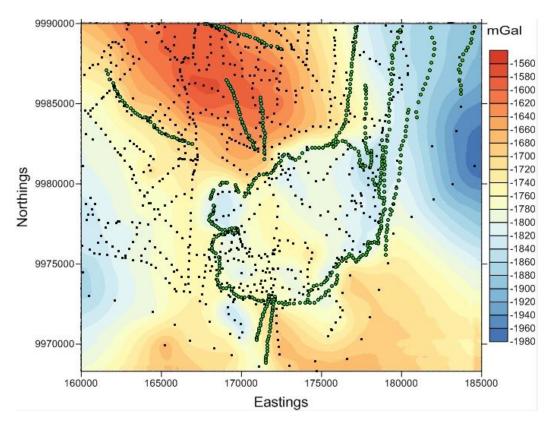


Figure 14: Gravity Bouguer anomaly map of Menengai Geothermal field. Black dots denote gravity sampling points.

A band pass filter of 50-3000 m was applied to the Bouguer data and some changes could be observed (Figure 15). This filter effectively removed the effect of deep seated dense bodies that had made the NNW part of the study area appear very dense in Figure 14. This study was interested with a depth of upto 3000 metres (m) and anything below this therefore had to be removed. The filter also removed any possible effect of surface bodies above 50 metres (m). Attempts to improve resolution further for better interpretation led to application of 100-3000m and 200- 3000 m filters (Figures 16 and 17) but this did not change the interpretation. To overcome this huddle, regional effects had to be removed and a residual gravity anomaly map was constructed. The regional effects had magnified short wavelength anomalies to deep seated anomalies leading to wrong interpretations and therefore had to be removed (Figure 18). The resulting residual anomaly map filtered these effects leading to reduction in size of the highly positive anomalous body notable in the NNW orientation (Figure 19).

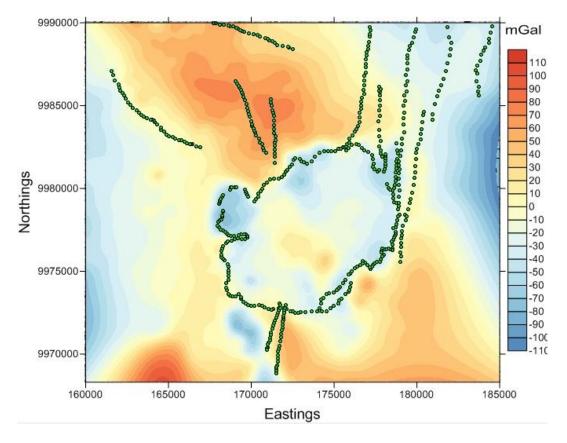


Figure 15: 50 – 3000 metres Band pass map of Menengai.

The importance of residual map is to remove the effects of Regional geology from the Bouguer map. The low gravity anomalies are associated to the axis of the caldera and Solai TVA to the NNE while the high anomalies are associated with dense magmatic bodies.

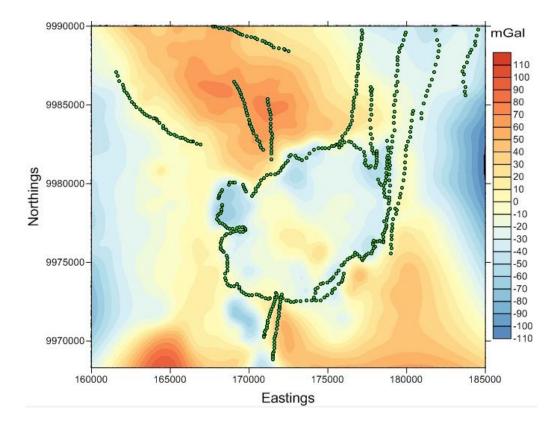


Figure 16: 100 – 3000 metres Band pass map of Menengai.

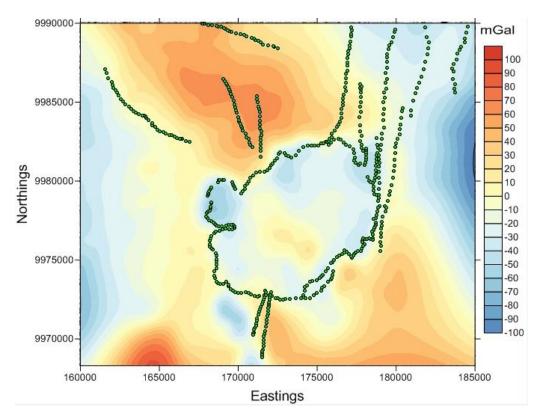


Figure 17: 200 – 3000 metres Band pass map of Menengai.

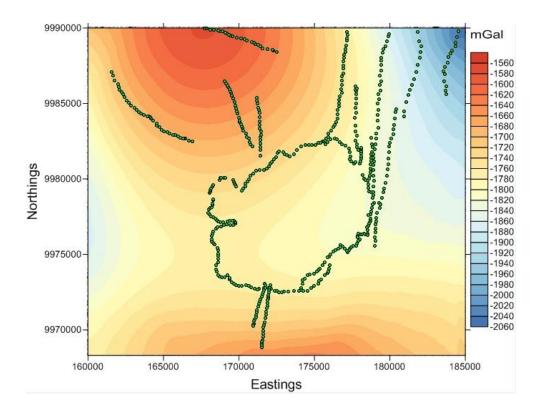


Figure 18: Regional anomaly map of Menengai Geothermal field.

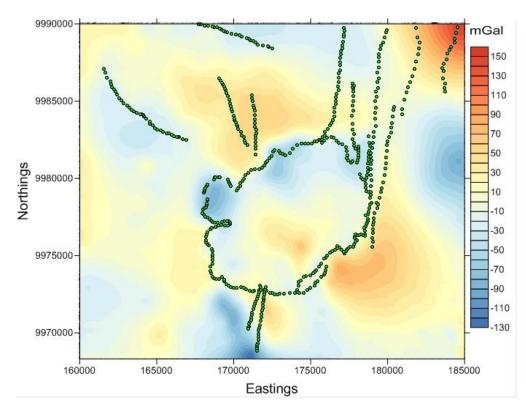


Figure 19: Residual anomaly map of Menengai Geothermal field

To improve clarity and establish whether there is enough permeability, more terrain surface analysis were carried out. 200- 3000 m Band pass filtered anomaly map was subjected to horizontal first derivative filter. This filter allows for better delineation of discontinuities by focussing mainly on the points of sharp gradients, thus delineating fractured zones (Figure 20). The same was done for the residual map and a map developed (Figure 21). These two figures show anomalous areas that are interpreted as local geologic features. The high amplitude gravity gradient which represents the major fault areas forms the basis of this research. These features are the highly fractured areas which are paths controlling fluid flow in and out of the caldera. The axis of the caldera is one clear area where geology is in complete agreement with these findings. The Molo TVA is another clear faulted area while the Solai TVA could not be captured by this filter.

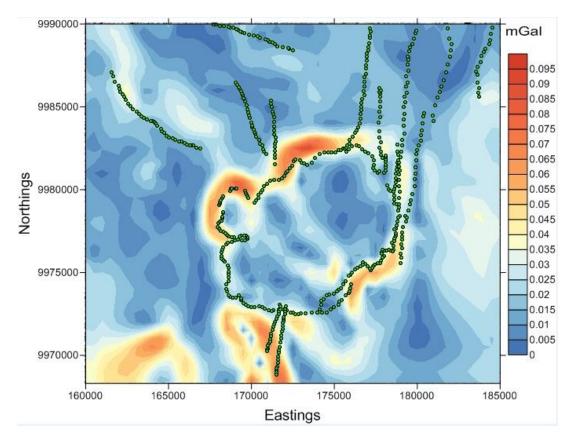


Figure 20: Horizontal derivative filtered 200-3000 Band Pass anomaly map of Menengai Geothermal field

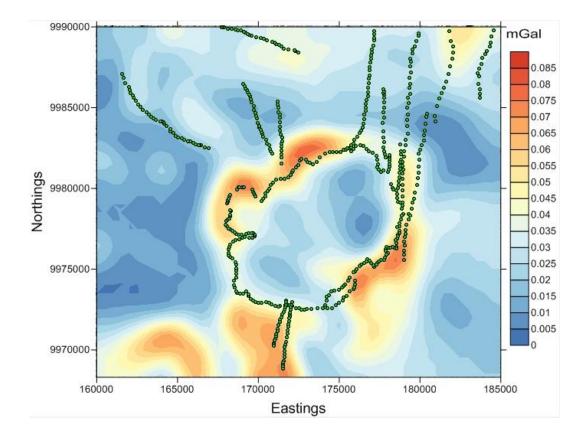


Figure 21: Horizontal derivative filtered Residual anomaly map of Menengai Geothermal field.

A comparison of gravity model (Horizontal derivative filtered 200-3000 BP anomaly map) with resistivity model (3 km) was done (Figure 22).

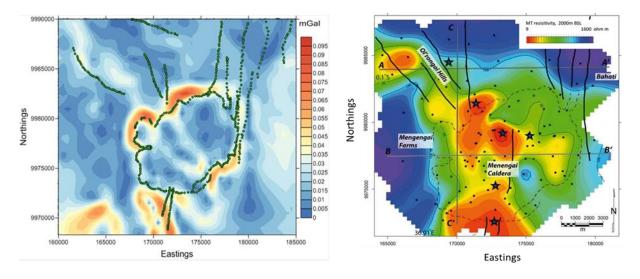


Figure 22: A comparison of Gravity model (left) with Resistivity model (right).

From the analysis of these two models, it was observed that gravity method is superior in identifying permeability controls as compared to the EM methods. Gravity model identified the rim of the caldera, Molo TVA and a fault structure to the south while resistivity model at the same depth, identified only the magmatic intrusion in the middle of the caldera. This shows how reliable gravity method would be in identifying surface and buried fractures as compared to EM methods if well used. On the same breath, gravity does not require a huge workforce to operate in the field as compared to resistivity.

Gravity measurements takes a short period i.e. three (3) minutes per sampling station while MT requires twenty one (21) hours so as to acquire low frequency data in the early morning hours. This shows that gravity method would acquire data over a large area within a shorter duration as compared to EM methods. A gravimeter can be handled by two (2) people in the field while MT would require at least four (4) people and seven (7) people for TEM respectively. This makes EM methods labour intensive, time insensitive and therefore gravity is the method for resource and better results sensitive exploration organisation.

Density inversion from results of simple Bouguer anomaly readings were generated by 3D inversion Grablox1.6 programme that calculates synthetic gravity anomaly of a 3D block model. The programme then generates files with inverted densities at each location where gravity readings were recorded with sets of varied depth. The inverted densities were then presented in 3-D visualization platform i.e. Voxler by Golden software (Figure 23). This figure summarises the results of gravity survey in mapping subsurface density contrast to locate structures (low density lineament) that channel geothermal fluids at depth in Menengai geothermal field. When density is set to zero (0) during filtering, it enhances the

contrast between negative and positive density boundaries at iso-dense contour of zero. The low density lineaments are fracture areas while the high density ones are intrusions. From this analysis, four groups of faults are identified, which include caldera rim faults that contribute mostly to deep vertical recharge, NNE-SSW faults along Solai graben, NNW-SSE faults along Molo axis and Southern fault extending towards Lake Nakuru.

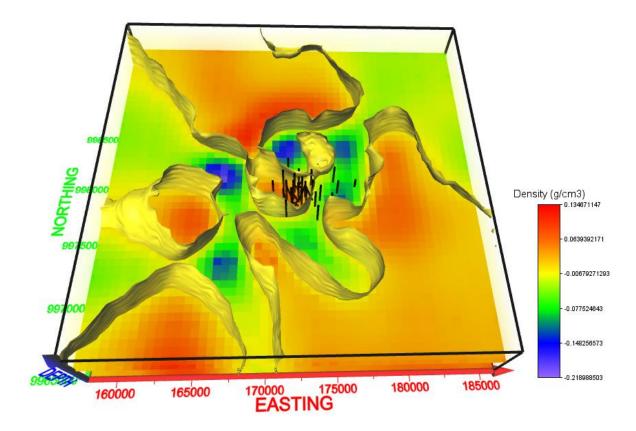


Figure 23: 3D iso-dense values at zero (0) to enhance structural boundaries.

CHAPTER FIVE

5. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMENDATIONS

5.1 Introduction

The main objective of this study was to carry out gravity data modelling to understand density variations in the Menengai caldera and therefore uncover the subsurface structures with more focus on the fracture zones which acts as permeability controls. The particular goals of this study were:

- i. To develop gravity structural models.
- ii. To establish whether there is permeability in Menengai.
- iii. To test gravity models with other existing resistivity models.

This chapter therefore explores the outcome of this research and whether the set objectives were achieved and then recommendations are given.

5.2 Conclusions

A complete geothermal system mainly comprises of heat sources, fractures and the capping. In many areas, heat source is easily identified but the major task is usually to identify the permeability controls. To achieve this, gravity structural models were developed and interpreted. Permeability is represented by fractures which form conduits for fluid flow. Compact zones are mainly represented by gravity high denoting limited or no permeability; however gravity high could also be used to denote molten magmatic material. Fractures permit movement of fluids, and heat transfer by convection nearer to the surface where they can be tapped.

The first objective of this study was to develop highly reliable gravity structural models which can be used jointly with other exploration tools to develop conceptual models. In Menengai, gravity data was modelled and an analysis of this data done by construction of Bouguer, residual gravity anomaly maps, band pass, horizontal derivative filter applications, and 3D visualisation of residual map. This objective was therefore achieved and these structural models can be seen in Chapter 4 of this report.

The second objective of this report was to establish whether there is permeability in Menengai geothermal field, Kenya. This study identified four main permeability controls for Menengai, these are: The axis of the caldera, Molo TVA, Solai TVA, Southern fault extending towards Lake Nakuru and the magmatic intrusion in the central part of the caldera. The caldera axis faults, Southern fault and the TVA's are conduits that facilitate fluid flow and therefore convective heat transfer while the magmatic intrusion was identified a permeability control due to tensional and compressional forces that would result from intruding magma.

These forces are expected to have an impact on the host rocks creating new fractures. The fractures are seen to the depth of 3 km and this information is corroborated by the drilled wells e.g. MW-01 A where the production zone has been confirmed to be between 1500 m to 3000 m. From these interpretations of the Bouguer and filtered maps, it was therefore concluded that Menengai has permeability based on the well-developed fracture networks. The indication of good permeability and the presence of a possible heat source is therefore a good encouragement for continued geothermal resources exploitation in Menengai.

The final objective was to compare gravity structural models with existing resistivity models. This was achieved by making a comparison of Horizontal derivative and resistivity models and also in terms of their operation and handling during data acquisition (Figure 22). From the models comparison, gravity came out superior since more structures were identified namely; rim of the caldera, Molo TVA and a fault structure to the south while resistivity model at the same depth only identified a magmatic intrusion in the middle of the caldera. Gravity method was also proved to be more reliable since it takes less time to take readings i.e. three (3) minutes per sampling station while MT takes twenty one (21) hours to sample one station. From these comparisons, gravity method was found to be more reliable in permeability identification and cheap to operate since it requires small workforce and is time sensitive compared to resistivity method.

In summary, good gravity models were developed by subjecting data to all necessary procedures and applying important filters for better interpretation. Permeability controls for Menengai geothermal field were identified as follows: The uplifting dome, regional fractures i.e. Solai TVA and Molo TVA, southern fault extending towards Lake Nakuru and the axis of the caldera. This has led to a conclusion that there is enough permeability in Menengai geothermal field.

5.3 Recommendations

It is recommended that more studies be done on this subject to minimise any possible chances of failure in future. This research has made a contribution to practice where it has been found to locate permeability controls that have been an elusive component using other geophysical methods e.g. resistivity. This research therefore informs the decision makers to adopt gravity method in structure identification whenever undertaking surface exploration.

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APPENDIX- A section of bouguer data used in this research

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