GIS AND GEOSTATISTICAL APPRAISAL OF ABUNDANCE

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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- SUMMARY OF KRIGING TECHNIQUES
- METHODS USED
- RESULTS
- COMPARISON WITH
 INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT



KRIGING

• STANDARD METHOD OF RESOURCE ASSESSMENT

USES EXISTING DATA
 DISTRIBUTION TO DEFINE
 INTERPOLATION

NONA GENERAL

$\frac{\text{KRIGING: THE}}{\text{VARIOGRAM}}$ $2\gamma^*(h) = \frac{1}{\mathbb{P}(h)} \sum_{m=1}^{\mathbb{P}(h)} [\mathbb{P}(h) - \mathbb{P}(h)]^2$





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SEQUENTIAL INDICATOR SIMULATION

- SIMULATES DATA IN UNSAMPLED AREAS
- WORKS WITH KRIGING TO DEFINE RANGE OF ASSESSMENT PREDICTIONS



DATA REDUCTION: STUDY BLOCKS





ABUNDANCE VARIOGRAM





RESULTS: ABUNDANCE

Abundance	Raw Data	OV	SIS Realizations			
(kg/m^2)		UK	R 1	R2	R3	
Mean	6.72	5.29	7.26	6.9	7.23	
Std. Error	0.09	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.03	
Median	5.47	4.93	4.88	4.58	5	
Minimum	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	
Std. Dev.	5.52	3.17	8.03	7.78	7.94	
Range	30.48	10.04	64.4	60.49	62.98	
No. Points	3,622	57,819	63,571	63,571	63,571	











COMPARISON WITH INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT

	Included Area (km ² X 10 ⁶)	Estimated Tons (metric tons X 10 ⁶)						
Source		Nodules	Mn	Со	Ni	Cu		
Table 4.8	3.83	21,100	5,950*	46.4*	270*	234*		
Table 4.7	4.19	30,700	8,657*	67.5*	393*	341*		
Table 5.1	4.85	27,100	7,300	58.0	340	290		
*Estimated using mean metal content values from Table 3.3								



SUMMARY

- RESOURCE ASSESSMENT BASED ON CONVENTIONAL METHODOLOGY
- DATA SUBDIVIDED INTO SIMPLE
 GEOMETRIES TO SIMPLIFY ANALYSIS
- SIS SIMULATION BRACKETS INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT
- >20 30 BILLION METRIC TONS OF NODULES IN AREAS SURVEYED





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