MEMO: Using Python Codes for Heat Flow and Temperature-at-Depth Calculations

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Notes:

Temperature-at-Depth (TaD) – calculations for temperature at any desired depth.

Heat Flow – calculations for site heat flow, which then translates into a map of regional heat flow.

BEG – Bureau of Economic Geology, University of Texas, Austin

- 1) Temperature data
 - a. New BHT "SMUNewETXBHT20km.xlsx", converted from a csv text file
 - i. Hand entered temperature and depth (Bottom Logged Interval) values from DrillingInfo.com downloaded well log header files.
 - ii. Correct the temperatures using the Harrison Correction
 - 1. Remove outliers
 - b. SMU BHT "SMUBHT20km.xlsx", converted from a csv text file
 - i. SMU uploaded NGDS SMU Heat Flow Database from BHT Data, which includes a column for temperature-at-depth
 - c. BEG BHT "BEGBHTAOI.xlsx", converted from a csv text file
 - i. BEG uploaded NGDS BEG at University of Texas Consolidated Well Database file
- 2) Constrain data to the 20 km radius
 - a. Completed for previously collected BEG and SMU files
 - b. New temperature data were only collected from within 10 km and an additional in 20 km as time permitted
- 3) Remove Duplicates
 - a. Match APIs, Latitude and Longitude
 - b. First order to keep SMU Heat Flow file temperature points
 - c. Secord order to keep SMU New temperature header uncorrected
 - d. Third order keep BEG uncorrected temperatures (use these as a corrected value)
- 4) Combine BEG and NEW temperature values to calculate both heat flow and TaD
 - a. Combine the BEG and SMU New spreadsheets into one Excel file
 - b. Set up the data into the required input file format for the python script
 - c. Use the code thermalmodelstructure.py
- 5) Generate the Python code inputs columns
 - a. The ArcGIS raster files (listed below) are generated ahead of time for use in the individual well site extractions
 - b. Use ArcGIS *spatial analysis toolbar/ extract multi values 2 points* to build a dataset of values at each well site for the following parameters:
 - i. Sediment thickness
 - ii. Surface temperature
 - iii. Pettet top depth
 - iv. Travis Peak top depth

- v. Cotton Valley top depth
- vi. Bossier top depth
- 6) Calculate just TaD from existing SMU heat flow values
 - a. Use the thermalregime_wthheatflow.py