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# GPC510 - Well logging

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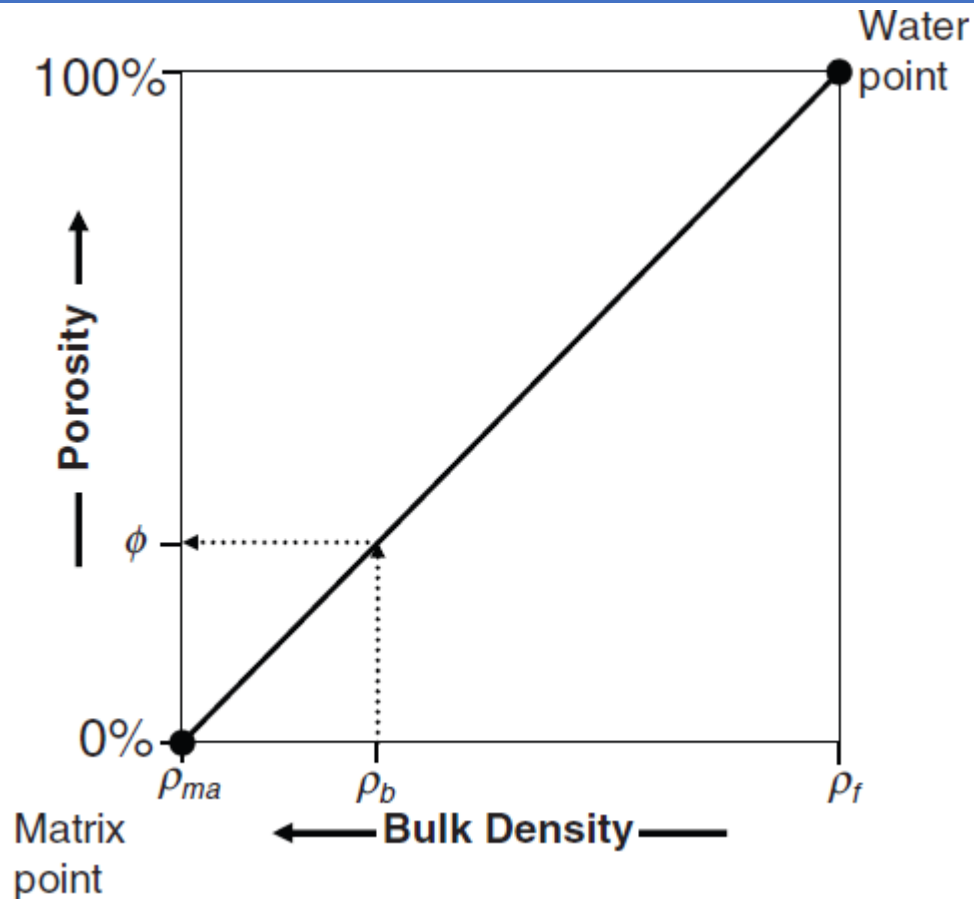
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# AGENDA

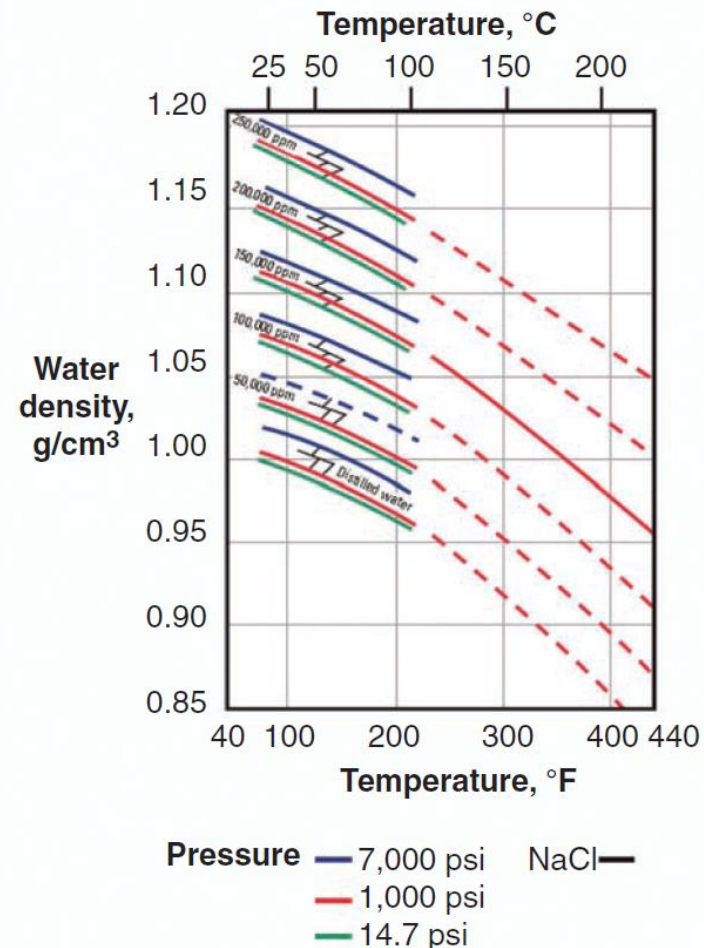
- Influencing factors on density log measurement
- Quality control
- Photoelectric effect (PE) log

# DENSITY-POROSITY PLOT

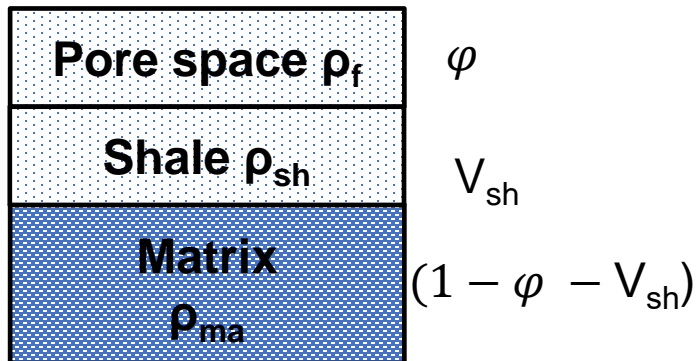


# WATER EFFECT

- Porosity derivation assume clean matrix with water filled pore space
- Porosity estimation will be affected when the lithology is mixed, gas or hydrocarbon is present in the flushed zone or the pad loose contact with the wall in washed out zone
- Since the tool records density response close to the borehole wall where the mud filtrate flushed away most of the original fluids, the choice of  $\rho_f$  is dictated by mud-filtrate therefore linked with pressure, temperature and salinity



# SHALE EFFECT



Rock = Solid matrix + Fluid filled pores;

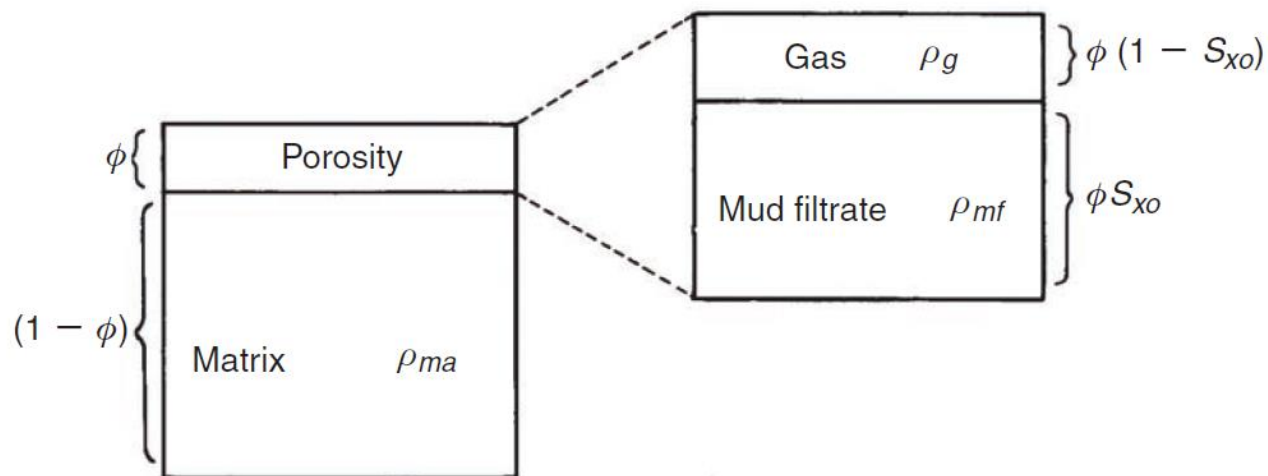
$$\phi = \frac{(\rho_{ma} - \rho_b) - V_{sh}(\rho_{ma} - \rho_{sh})}{\rho_{ma} - \rho_f}$$

$$\phi = \phi_D - V_{sh}(\phi_{Dsh})$$

Where  $V_{sh}$  and  $\phi_{Dsh}$  represents volume of shale and apparent density porosity of shale respectively.

# GAS EFFECT

- Porosity can be overestimated on the density log if gas is present in the formation as the density of gas is very low
- If the formation is gas bearing, then this may be a problem, because significant amount of gas is always left in the invaded zone
- To accurately quantify gas effect on density tool response, both gas saturation and effective density of gas ( $\rho_g$ ) are known



# GAS EFFECT

$$\rho_b = \rho_{ma}(1 - \varphi) + \rho_{mf}\varphi S_{xo} + \rho_g\varphi(1 - S_{xo})$$

$$\varphi = \frac{\rho_{ma} - \rho_b}{(\rho_{ma} - \rho_g) - S_{xo}(\rho_{mf} - \rho_g)}$$

By assuming  $\rho_{mf} \gg \rho_g$  and  $\rho_{ma} \gg \rho_g$ ,  $\varphi \approx \frac{\rho_{ma} - \rho_b}{\rho_{ma} - \rho_{mf} * S_{xo}}$

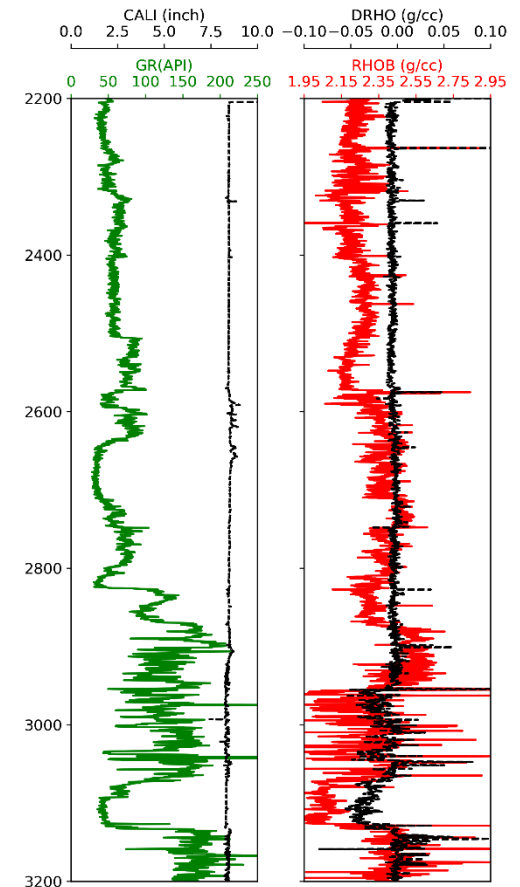
- Following estimation of  $S_{xo}$  value, porosity can be calculated as

$$\varphi = \frac{(\rho_{ma} - \rho_b) + (\rho_{mf} - \rho_g) \left(\frac{R_{mf}}{R_{xo}}\right)^{1/2}}{(\rho_{ma} - \rho_g)}$$

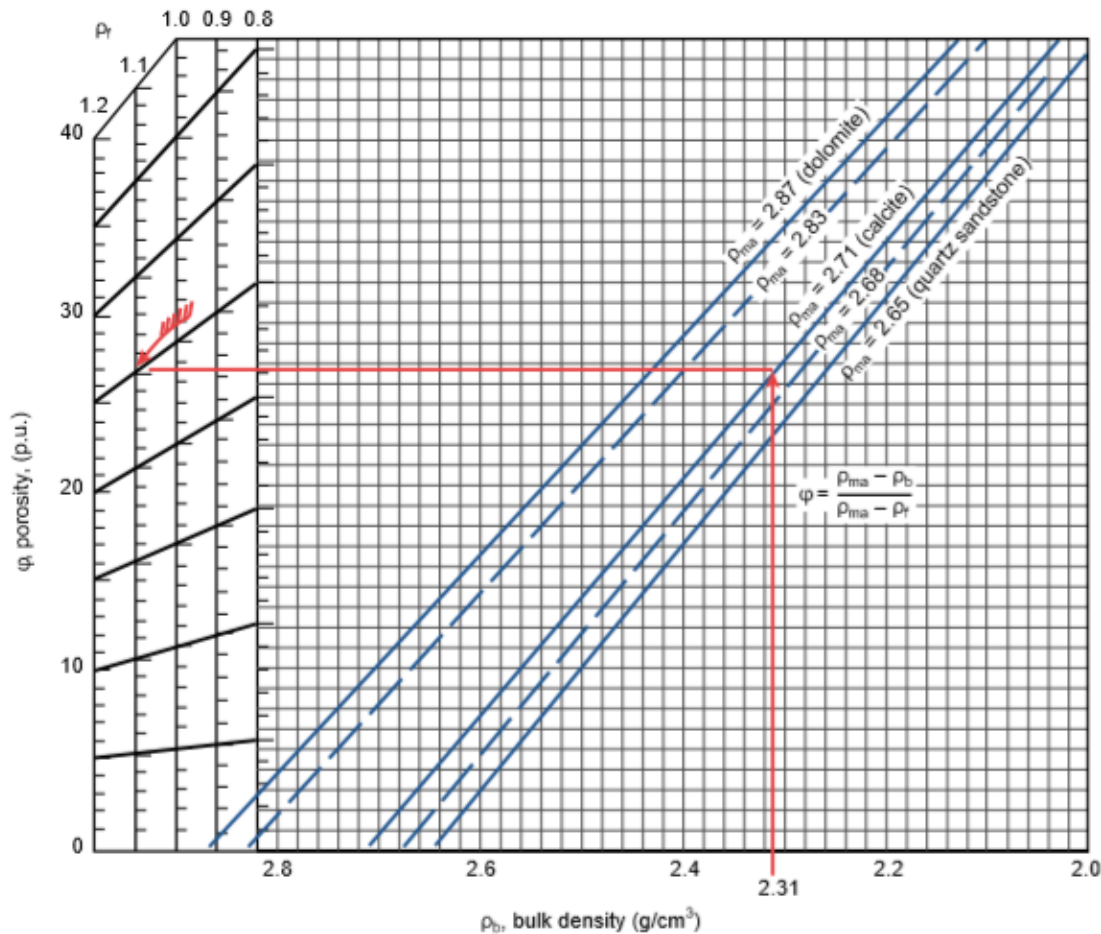
- This can be demonstrated for a sandstone rock with main mineral being quartz with a matrix density of 2.65 g/cm<sup>3</sup> and a bulk density of 2.3 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. if the fluid content is incorrectly judged to be oil instead of gas, then the porosity will change from about 13% to 19%, an overestimation of around 6%
- A typical correction factor is **x 0.8**

# QUALITY CONTROL

- Correction log of density (DRHO) is an important QC
- DRHO within limits of  $\pm 0.10$  g/cm<sup>3</sup> is acceptable
- Required for generating acoustic impedance log ( $AI = \rho_b * V_p$ )



# DENSITY TO POROSITY CONVERSION



**Example**  $\rho_b = 2.31 \text{ g/cm}^3$  in limestone lithology  
 $\rho_{ma} = 2.71 \text{ g/cm}^3$   
 $\rho_f = 1.1 \text{ g/cm}^3$  (salt mud)  
 Porosity = ? pu  
**pu** – porosity unit

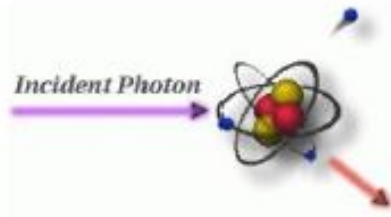
# SUMMARY

- Direct measurement: Bulk Density ( $\rho_b$ )
- Unit: g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- Indirect measurement:
  1. Total porosity
  2. Lithology Identification
  3. Fluid estimation
  4. Acoustic impedance (with sonic log)
  5. Mineral identification
- Equation: 
$$\varphi = \frac{\rho_{ma} - \rho_b}{\rho_{ma} - \rho_{fl}}$$

# PRINCIPLES

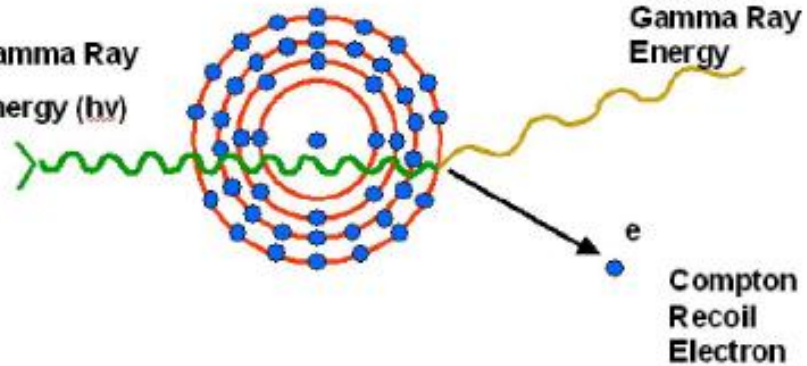
## Compton Scattering

Depends on electron density



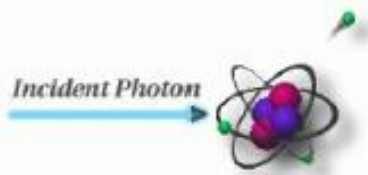
## Compton Scattering

Gamma Ray Energy ( $h\nu$ )



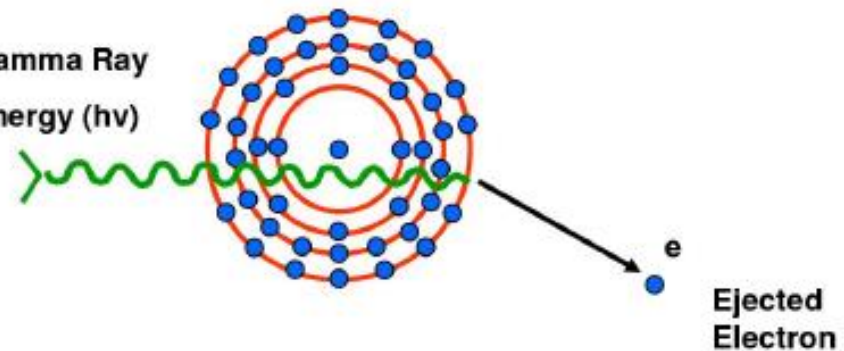
## Photoelectric absorption

Depends on atomic number



## Photoelectric Absorption

Gamma Ray Energy ( $h\nu$ )

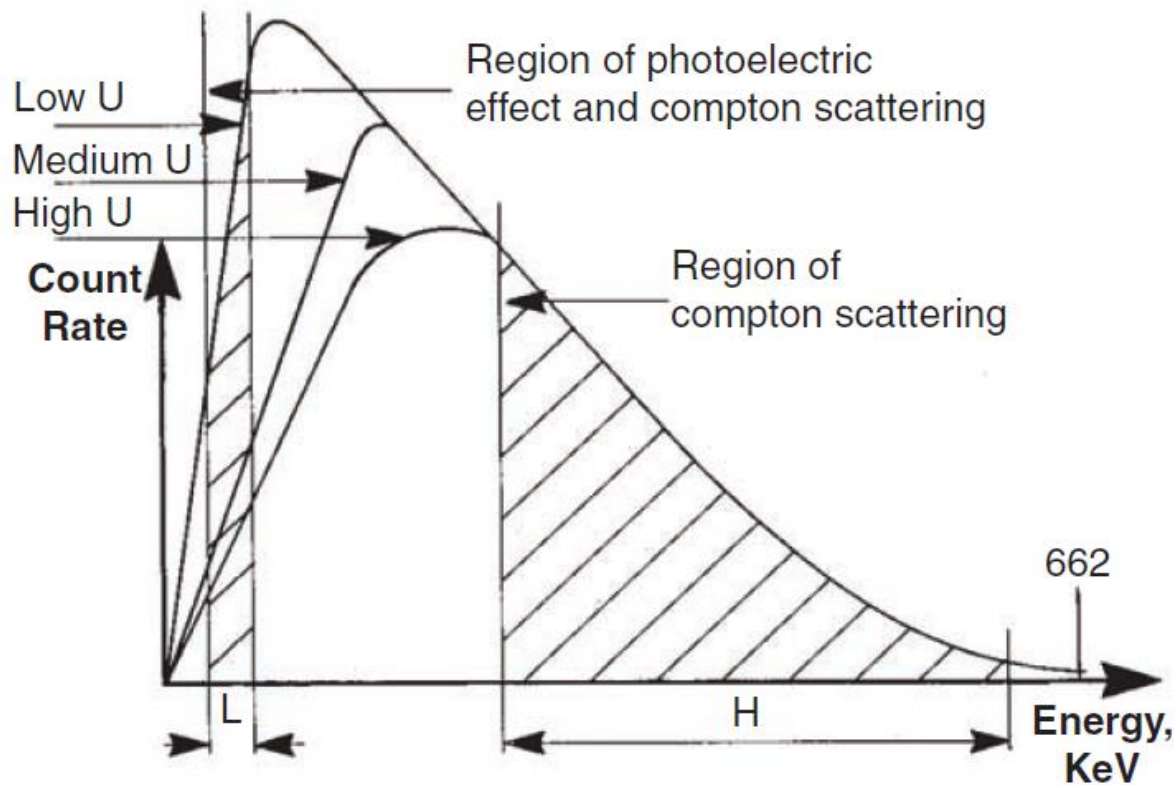


# PHOTOELECTRIC EFFECT

- The photoelectric effect occurs when a gamma ray collides with an electron and is absorbed in the process. Therefore, all energy is transferred to the electron.
- The probability of this reaction depends upon incident gamma ray energy and the type of atom
- The litho-density tool measures photoelectric absorption index ( $P_e$ ) along with bulk density
- $P_e$  values increase with the increase of atomic number as

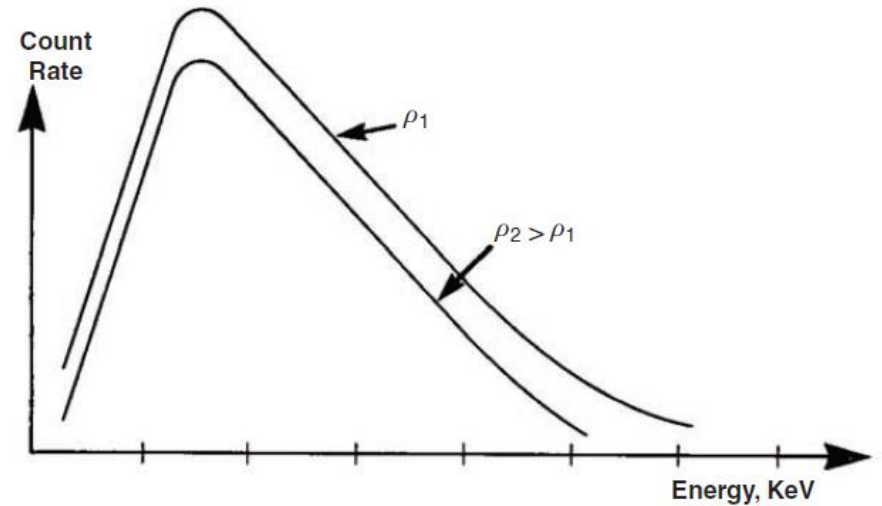
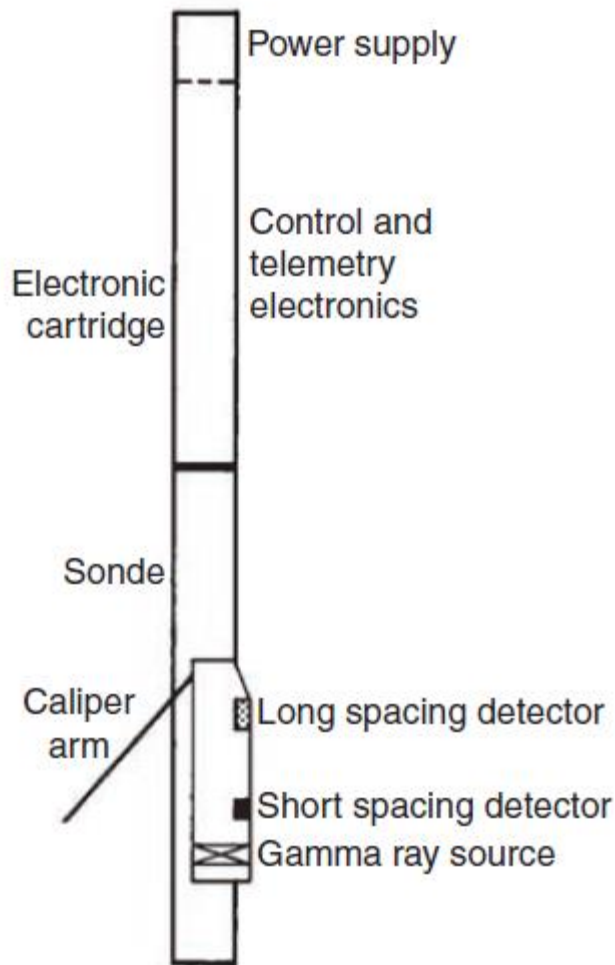
$$P_e = (0.1 \times Z_{eff})^{3.6}$$

# GAMMA-RAY SPECTRUM & PE VALUES

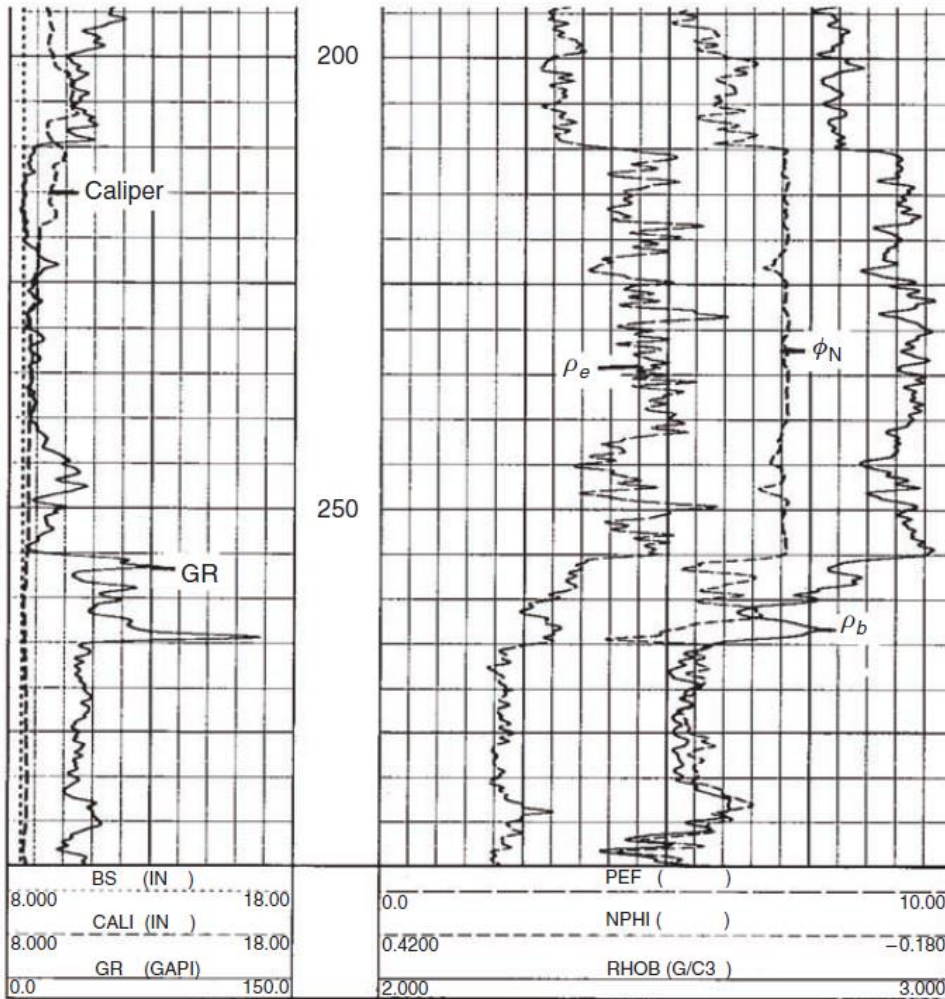


Gamma-ray response variation with constant density but different photoelectric capture cross-section

# LITHO-DENSITY TOOL



# LITHOLOGY IDENTIFICATION



| Material  | $P_e$ |
|-----------|-------|
| Sandstone | 1.81  |
| Limestone | 5.08  |
| Dolomite  | 3.14  |
| Salt      | 4.65  |
| Anhydrite | 5.05  |

# END OF LECTURE

data collection



$H_2$ - $CH_4$  blend  
Underground  
Storage Reservoir



Geochemistry  
analysis



DNA analysis



Subsurface  
simulation  
experiments

Thank you

Acid formation ( $H^+$ ,  $H_2S$ )