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EXPLANATION

During the 1977, 1978, and 1979 summer field seasons, the Alaska Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys (DGGS) conducted a reconnaissance geophysical rock-sampling program in the southwest corner of the Wiseman Quadrangle, Brooks Range, Alaska. Physical rock-property values obtained from these samples can be used in interpreting geophysical data from the southern Brooks Range. The physical rock-property data may be useful even though such properties are commonly subject to wide fluctuations over short distances in some localities of the quadrangle.

One hundred nine rock samples collected from the southwestern Wiseman Quadrangle (long. 151°0'-153°0' N., lat. 67°45'-67°0' W.) were analyzed by Elliot Geophysical Company for volume-magnetic susceptibility, bulk-rock density, and resistivity values using conventional laboratory techniques. Semiquantitative analyses were run on 60 oriented samples for natural remanent magnetization (NRM) and total intensity of magnetization.

Map and field numbers, a brief field description, magnetization, the Koenigsberger ratio, volume magnetic susceptibility, bulk-rock density, and resistivity values of each rock sample are shown in table 1. Volume-susceptibility measurements (μ) were conducted with a magnetic-susceptibility bridge instrument operating at a frequency of 400 Hz (μ values $\pm 20 \times 10^{-6}$ cgs units*). Bulk-rock-density values (ρ) were determined by the buoyancy method (ρ values ± 0.01 grams per cm³). Resistivity determinations (σ) were made in the time ($T=2.0$ s, $T_D = 450$ ms, and $T_w = 650$ ms) and frequency (0.1 and 1.0 Hz) domains. Resistivity (ohmeter) is the inverse of rock conductivity (σ).

The NRM of cores from 60 oriented samples was determined with a static fluxgate magnetometer. The directions of NRM for selected rock types are plotted on an equal-area stereographic projection (fig. 1). The direction of the NRM vector is defined by declination referenced to magnetic north at the sample site; inclination is referenced to the horizontal (positive above, negative below) (fig. 2). No AC demagnetization of individual rock samples was performed. The total intensity and direction of magnetization can be determined from volume-susceptibility values (μ) and the NRM vector by the following relationship: $I = \bar{J} + k\bar{F}$, where \bar{I} is the total intensity of magnetization in gammas, \bar{J} is the natural remanent magnetization in gammas, k is the volume susceptibility in cgs units* and \bar{F} is the earth's total magnetic field in gammas. The Koenigsberger ratio (Q) (table 1) is a direct measurement of the ratio of remanent magnetization to induced magnetization because it is related to NRM by the equation $Q = \bar{J}/(k\bar{F})^2$. If Q is greater than one—as it is for most Wiseman Quadrangle samples—the NRM vector is the predominant contribution to the total intensity of magnetization. Wide variations in paleomagnetic values substantiate the need for further detailed magnetic-property studies of the rock samples. Magnetic-susceptibility determinations would be more diagnostic if tested and quantified with thermal and alternating-field demagnetization equipment.

*cgs units convert to SI units by multiplying by π (π).
†10⁻⁵ gammas = 1 emu/cc (gauss).

Table 1. ROCK DESCRIPTION AND PHYSICAL PROPERTY LABORATORY DETERMINATIONS*

Map number	Field number	Field description	Core orientation		Natural Remanent Magnetization (NRM)		Volume magnetic susceptibility (μ) (10 ⁻⁶ cgs units)	(ρ) Bulk density (grams/cc)	σ Resistivity (ohmeters)		
			Magnetic azimuth (degrees)	Inclination (degrees)	Magnitude (gammas)	Koenigsberger ratio for $F = 57000$ gammas					
1	77 DN 137	Ferruginous muscovite-quartz metagraywacke	175	52	9.6E+01	8.03	260	-7	210	2.80	69000
2	77 PE 343	Actinolite-quartz schist	243	39	3.0E+02	3.49	329	-20	150	2.80	33000
3	77 PE 308	Calc-schist-albite green schist	10	18	1.1E+01	0.74	345	83°	<20	2.82	2500
4	77 DN 58	Muscovite-quartz phyllitic schist	310	68	9.3E+03	8.24	86	24	<20	2.71	13000
5	77 DN 32	Graphite-muscovite-albite schist	326	34	1.1E+00	1.04	158	62	<20	2.80	31000
6	77 DN 136	Migmatite	63	52	1.54E+00	3.86	189	-2	70	2.85	2500
7	77 PE 64	Graphitic mica-schist	160	0	2.7E+00	4.12	244	-40	150	2.80	19000
8	77 DN 16	Calo-quartz-chlorite schist	210	65	2.0E+02	1.98	82	76	<20	2.84	7800
9	77 DN 46	Calo-quartz-chlorite schist	20	46	8.0E+01	1.56	65	-16	90	2.90	6300
10	77 DN 134	Muscovite-quartz feldsparite schist	328	63	4.0E+03	3.59	217	64	<20	2.83	37000
11	77 DN 120	Pyritic mica-quartz metagraywacke	347	28	5.6E+02	4.94	235	64	<20	2.81	33000
12	77 DN 143	Mica-albite-quartz schist	355	85	2.0E+00	1.82	146	63	<20	2.83	19000
13	77 RI 203	Chlorite-calcite quartzite	320	78	4.1E+02	5.41	222	65	<20	2.84	43000
14	77 SW 37	Muscovite-quartz-chlorite-quartz schist	0	16	5.3E+00	4.68	101	45	<20	2.70	9800
15	77 DN 67	Muscovite-quartz schist	335	43	1.0E+01	9.56	335	39	<20	2.80	18000
16	77 SW 35	Micaschist sandy marble	175	33	8.0E+02	1.76	313	60	80	2.86	5700
17	77 DN 50	Gray marble	345	85	1.17E+02	1.03	151	-17	<20	2.72	45000
18	77 SW 34	Feruginous graphitic muscovite-quartz schist	13	43	1.37E+02	1.20	183	51	<20	2.71	40000
19	77 SW 25	Feruginous calo-quartzite	159	75	1.18E+01	1.35	155	19	<20	2.83	4700
20	77 DN 99	Gray marble	180	13	2.09E+02	2.27	335	69	<20	2.69	17000
21	77 DN 153	Magnetite-actinolite-chlorite green schist	215	85	1.8E+01	1.09	285	45	<20	2.80	6800
22	77 SW 38	Micaschist metapelite	210	65	6.37E+02	5.59	37	38	<20	2.71	7600
23	77 RI 58A	Magnetite-garnet-chlorite-albite green schist	61	40	9.3E+00	2.48	303	71	4190	2.89	62000
24	77 DN 97	Gray marble	185	45	2.37E+02	5.21	304	22	<20	2.71	38000
25	77 DN 166	Graphitic muscovite-quartz schist	335	38	5.64E+02	4.93	45	42	<20	2.87	12000
26	77 SW 21	Micaschist	145	19	2.37E+02	2.08	540	<20	2.85	3700	
27	77 SW 86	Graphitic mica-schist	140	60	4.16E+02	3.65	269	1	<20	2.79	3100
28	77 RI 54A	Graphitic calc-schist	87	81	2.45E+01	2.15	254	38	<20	2.76	14000
29	77 RI 37	Graphitic mica-quartz schist	166	52	4.16E+02	5.21	304	22	<20	2.71	38000
30	77 DN 82	Sericite-chlorite-albite green schist	162	13	3.60E+02	3.16	171	-64	<20	2.87	12000
31	77 RI 66	Feruginous quartz-chlorite schist	222	45	1.38E+00	1.21	50	45	<20	2.68	6800
32	77 DN 102C	Quartz mica orthogneiss	70	85	2.43E+02	2.13	217	50	<20	2.85	6800
33	77 SW 103B	Graphitic mica-schist	130	75	1.80E+02	1.19	276	58	<20	2.86	56000
34	77 PE 77	Feruginous muscovite-quartz schist	343	13	4.30E+02	3.77	135	29	<20	2.64	22000
35	77 PE 28	Sericite-chlorite-albite schist	148	5	4.24E+02	3.72	349	75	<20	2.74	5500
36	77 DN 89	Pyritic muscovite quartz marble	15	58	5.83E+00	5.11	3	33	<20	2.74	10000
37	77 DN 145	Hematitic graphitic-muscovite-quartz-albite schist	310	64	6.81E+02	4.92	185	45	<20	2.82	17000
38	77 SW 130B	Micaschist	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.83	4300
39	77 SW 130B	Sericite-muscovite-quartz-feldsparite schist	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.81	4400
40	77 SW 38	Magnetite-chlorite-albite green schist	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.82	110000
41	77 SW 12B	Magnetite calc-schist-albite green schist	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.69	18000
42	77 SW 12	Magnetite-chlorite-albite green schist	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.73	26000
43	77 SW 32	Magnetite-chlorite-albite green schist	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.77	7400
44	77 SW 33A	Graphitic muscovite-quartz schist	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.63	7700
45	77 SW 33B	Micaschist feldsparite quartile	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.63	4900
46	77 SWH 43	Pyritic sandy marble	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.65	18000
47	77 SWH 40	Graphitic mafic quartz conglomerate	0	0	0	0	0	0	<20	2.73	26000
48	77 SWH 40	Sandy marble									