

Special Issue

Seismics in Mineral Exploration

Message from the Guest Editors

The main problem encountered by mineral seismic exploration is accurately imaging concealed rock mass, faults and ore bodies with limited investment. Therefore, how to decrease the seismic acquisition cost is the most important point of concern. Promoted by rapid development of modern information science and technology, artificial intelligence, multi-component seismometers or nodes, and remote sensing techniques are widely applied in exploration seismology. However, mineral seismic is not a simple duplication of oil and gas seismics or engineering seismics. In recent years, much progress involving compressive sensing, multi-component seismics, active and passive source techniques, joint geophysical inversion and field cases has been achieved. For this Special Issue, submitted papers should be focused on a feasible, cost-effective seismic solution for mineral exploration to further improve the seismic precision, resolution and reliability.

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