1.3.4 Sequential grid method (SGM)

Figure 1.11  Micro concept of a sequential grid mining layout with dip orientated pillars

Micro layout

As for the longwall method, twin haulages are driven from the shaft to access the block of ground to be mined (Figure 1-11). These haulages, as well as the reef-access crosscuts, are developed ahead of stoping, enabling faults and dykes to be located prior to stoping, and pillars to be designed to bracket any hazardous structures. Haulages are situated deep in the