

QUE NOUS DISENT LES MÉCANISMES AU FOYER SUR L'ÉTAT DE CONTRAINTE DANS LA CROÛTE ET SUR LA THÉORIE D'ANDERSON ?

ANDERSON'S FAULTING

- CONJUGATE PLANES
- OPTIMAL STRESS ORIENTATION
- FRICTIONAL REACTIVATION:
 - MAKES IT IRRELEVANT OR NOT ?
- FOCAL MECHANISMS
 - P, B, T
 - FROHLICH'S TRIANGULAR DIAGRAMS
 - GLOBAL CMT
 - QUALITY
- GCMT ANALYSIS
 - BY DEPTH
 - BY RAKE (FAULT TYPE)
 - INTERPRETATION
- CONCLUSIONS

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Anderson's faulting



THE DYNAMICS OF FAULTING.

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ILII. The Dynamics of Faulting. By ERNEST M. ANDERSON, M.A., B.Sc., H.M. Geological Survey.

(Read 15th March 1905.)

it has been known for long that inits arrange themselves naturally into different classes, which have iniginated under different conditions of pressure in the rock mass. The object of the present paper is in show a little more clearly the connection between any system of faults and the system of forces which gave rise to it.



- Coulomb criterion for rupture
- Rupture occurs on optimal planes
- A principal stress direction is vertical

Stress orientation -> optimal conjugate faults





Coulomb criterion for rupture

 φ_0

Rupture occurs on optimal planes

$$\mu = \tan(\varphi_0) \approx 0.6$$

≈ 30°

$$\varphi_1 = \frac{\varphi_0}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4} \approx 60^\circ$$

$$\varphi_2 = \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\varphi_0}{2} \approx 30^\circ$$

Stress orientation -> optimal conjugate faults Fault & slip datum -> optimal stress orientation

The vertical is a principal stress direction



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OUTLINE

Mohr's Theory Mohr's Theory Applied to Experimental Data The Ellipsoid of Strain Planes of Shearing Produced by Irrotational and Rotational Strains Planes of Shearing in Shales Horizontal Compressive Strains in Granite Low-Angle Faulting







Eastern Kentucky, road cut, 1917 Hartmann (1896): Luder's lines, Karman (1911), Daubree (1879).

Bucher, 1920-21



optimal stress orientation

Plane of Movement

 $\vec{s}_1, \vec{s}_2, \vec{s}_3$

 $\varphi_2 = 45^\circ - \frac{\varphi_0}{2} \approx 30^\circ$





Single fault & slip datum -> optimal stress orientation

Anderson (1905) Bucher (1921) Turner (1953) Compton (1966) Raleigh et al. (1972) Etchecopar (1984)



Compton, 1966, GSAB

Problem: non optimally oriented plane reactivation

Reactivation on non-optimally oriented planes McKenzie (1969):

Shear stress along slip can be accommodated with s_1 anywhere within the dilatational quadrant

In the worst case, s_1 may be at right angle from P.

However (Jaeger, 1959, 1960):

Reactivating non-optimally oriented planes requires higher stress difference, or pore pressure, or lower friction coefficient.

Question: how frequent ?





McKenzie, BSSA, 1969



2D frictional sliding



Conclusions:

- S_1 away from Pf requires higher s_0 : either higher stress difference or higher pore pressure (lower σ'_1)
- Optimal stress direction Pf is relevant.

Jaeger, Geophys. Pura. Appl., 1959; Geol. Mag., 1960; Célérier, Tectonics, 1988

3D frictional sliding

Requirements: slip along shear stress satisfy a friction law

Define two parameters:



Can reduce the study to $\tau_0 = 0$ (Jaeger & Rosengren, 1969)



- shear stress along slip
- friction law



 \vec{s}_1

0.5

0

 r_0

 \vec{s}_3

 \vec{s}_2

Celerier, 1988

1.0



r₀ -> 0.0



Conclusion: in states of stress where

- s₀ close to s_c
- r_0 remote from 0 or 1

optimal stress are relevant for faults with

• µ close to 0.6







Brace & Kohlstedt, JGR Nov. 1980



optimal stress orientation close to P, B, T

Plane of Movement



$$\varphi_0 \approx 30^\circ$$
 $\varphi_1 = \frac{\varphi_0}{2} + 45^\circ \approx 60^\circ$

$$\varphi_2 = 45^\circ - \frac{\varphi_0}{2} \approx 30^\circ$$

Triangular diagrams





 $\vec{v} = \pm \vec{g}_3 \implies$ The triangular diagram represents the upgoing or downgoing vertical within the P,B,T frame



















P,B,T plunges versus dip or strike slip: conclusions



strike slipdoes not requiresteepB plungedip slipdoes not requiresteepP or T plunge

shallow B: best proxy for dip slip steep B: not a good proxy for strike slip



Global Centroid Moment Tensors (GCMT)

Global catalog of moment tensors

- Hosted at Lamont Doherty Earth Observatory: www.globalcmt.org
- Ex Harvard CMT
- Funded by the National Science Foundation since its inception
- Method: Dziewonski et al. (1981)
 - Digital stations => Filtered T > 45s + Sampled 1 Hz
 - Coupled inversion for moment tensor and hypocenter

Dziewonski et al. (1983):

- Centroid location different from PDE hypocenter
- Δh~50 km, Δz~12 km
- Z < 15 km => Z = 15 km (PDE Z = 10 km or 33 km)
- $Mw \ge 5.2$ $Mo \ge 10^{17}$ Nm

History

- systematic since 1981 (Dziewonski & Woodhouse, 1983)
- 2003 report: Ekström et al., PEPI, 2005
- backtrack to 1977: 5 digital stations (Dziewonski et al., 1987)
- 1976 for $Mw \ge 6$ (Ekström, & Nettles, 1997)
- Deep earthquakes 1907-1976 (Huang et al., 1994, 1997, 1998)

Database used

- 1976-2004 for analysis
- Use also 2003 report: Ekström et al., PEPI, 2005

GCMT

GCMT

Digital seismic network









GCMT

Relate M₀ to E and M_w

erg = dyne cm Joule = Newton m $1 \text{ erg} = 10^{-7}$ Joule

Mo (dyne.cm)



- Mo = 4 10²⁹ Mw = 9

Ekstrom et al, PEPI, 2005

800 MW nuclear power plant one year production: 1 year = $3.15 \ 10^7 \text{ s}$ E $\approx 8 \ 10^8 \text{ x} \ 3.15 \ 10^7 = 2.5 \ 10^{16} \text{ J}$
GCMT

Threshold



Quality selection

Frohlich & Davis, JGR, 1999

- Full or partial inversion ? (nfree)
- Error range (Erel)
- Double couple or not ? (fclvd)

Full or partial inversion ? (nfree)



$$M^{G} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{rr} & m_{rs} & m_{re} \\ m_{rs} & m_{ss} & m_{se} \\ m_{re} & m_{se} & m_{ee} \end{bmatrix}$$

Shallow earthquakes (depth < 30 km) m_{rs} & m_{re} poorly constrained => set to 0

	m _{rr}	0	0
$\Lambda^G =$	0	m _{ss}	m _{se}
100	0	m _{se}	m _{ee}

=> 1 vertical, 2 horizontal principal axes



Pure normal Rake = -90° Dip = 45°



Pure strike-slip Rake = 0°or 180° Dip = 90°



Pure reverse Rake = +90° Dip = 45°



Error range (Erel)

Define relative error:

$$M^{G} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{11} & m_{12} & m_{13} \\ m_{12} & m_{22} & m_{23} \\ m_{13} & m_{32} & m_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$DM^{G} = \begin{bmatrix} dm_{11} & dm_{12} & dm_{13} \\ dm_{12} & dm_{22} & dm_{23} \\ dm_{13} & dm_{32} & dm_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M \| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} m_{ij}^{2}}$$

$$\|DM\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{3} \sum_{j=1}^{3} dm_{ij}^{2}}$$

$$E_{rel} = \frac{\|DM\|}{\|M\|}$$

 $E_{rel} \le 15\%$

Frohlich & Davis, JGR, 1999



Double couple or not ? (fclvd)



Stein & Wysession, Textbook, 2003

Double couple or not ? (fclvd)

Eigenvectors frame
$$A = (\vec{a}_1, \vec{a}_2, \vec{a}_3)$$

$$M^{A} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_{3} \end{bmatrix} \qquad |m_{1}| \ge |m_{2}| >> |m_{3}|$$
$$m_{1} + m_{2} + m_{3} = 0$$

 $M^{A} = \begin{bmatrix} m_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_{3} \end{bmatrix} = m_{1}(1-2F) \begin{bmatrix} +1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + m_{1}F \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Decomposition into

Double couple

CLVD = Compensated Linear Vector Dipole

$m_B =$	<i>m</i> ₃

2 cases:

 $m_1 \ge 0$:

 $m_P = m_\gamma$

$$m_T = m_1$$
$$A = (T, P, B)$$

 $f_{clvd} = -\frac{m_B}{\max(|m_P|, |m_T|)}$

 $F = -\frac{m_3}{m_1}$ F = 0 => Pure double couple F = 0.5 => Pure CLVD

 $m_1 \leq 0$: $m_P = m_1$ $m_{T} = m_{2}$ A = (P, T, B)

$$\begin{aligned} f_{clvd} &= 0 & \text{Pure double couple} \\ \left| f_{clvd} \right| &= 0.5 & \text{Pure CLVD} \\ \left| f_{clvd} \right| &\leq 0.2 & \text{Quality threshold} \end{aligned}$$

Double couple

Frohlich & Davis, JGR, 1999

CLVD



Summary

Parameter

Quality threshold

nfree = inverted components

nfree = 6



 $E_{rel} \leq 15\%$

$$f_{clvd} = -\frac{m_B}{\max(|m_P|, |m_T|)} \qquad |f_{clvd}| \le 0.2$$

= > Angular uncertainties: 5-10° Frohlich & Davis, JGR, 1999



















Results

FD 0-30 km versus Frohich (2001)













Rake, P, B, T: consistent with dominant Anderson Dip: inconclusive for dip-slip, ok for strike slip ?

 \Rightarrow Isolate pure strike and dip-slip events Question: selection on both nodal planes or on one at least ?

One or two nodal planes: dip slip case

Consider two slightly different mechanisms where

• Case 1: the first nodal plane is pure dip-slip (P1,V1)

• Case 2: the same nodal plane is near dip-slip (P1,V2) and look at the second nodal plane.

	Nodal planes		
	1st	2nd	
Pole	P1	V1	
Slip	V1	P1	
Pole	P1	V2	
Slip	V2	P1	

D1: down dip for plane 2, case 2

The first nodal plane has a shallow dip:



Case 1: the second nodal plane is pure dip-slipCase 2: the second nodal plane is near dip-slip

The first nodal plane has a steep dip:



• Case 1: the second nodal plane is pure dip-slip

• Case 2: the second nodal plane has an oblique slip

One or two nodal planes: strike slip case

Consider two slightly different mechanisms where

• Case 1: the first nodal plane is pure strike-slip (P1,V1)

• Case 2: the same nodal plane is near strike-slip (P1,V2) and look at the second nodal plane.



H1: along strike for plane 2, case 2

The first nodal plane has a steep dip:



Case 1: the second nodal plane is near strike-slip
Case 2: the second nodal plane is near strike-slip

The first nodal plane has a shallow dip:



• Case 1: the second nodal plane is near dip-slip

Case 2: the second nodal plane is near dip-slip

One or two nodal planes ?

One near dip-slip nodal plane:

- Steep dip => oblique slip on second nodal plane
- Shallow dip => near dip-slip second plane

One near strike-slip nodal plane:

- Steep dip => near strike-slip second nodal plane
- Shallow dip => oblique slip on second plane

Select near dip-slip or strike-slip rake on at least one nodal plane:

- · includes all actual fault planes with that rake
- includes also actual oblique slip fault planes

Select rake on both nodal plane:

- · excludes fault planes with that rake
- includes only fault planes with that rake

Conclusions:

- no perfect solution
- investigate both 1 (1P) and 2 planes (2P)

Results

Rake within 10° of pure dip or strike slip

1976-2004 FD 0-30 km

Rake range	1 or 2 planes ?	Data set	Number of data
[80,100]	1 plane	R1P	528
[80,100]	2 planes	R2P	267
[-180,-170] U [-10,10] U [170,180]	1 plane	S1P	1130
[-180,-170] U [-10,10] U [170,180]	2 planes	S2P	437
[-100,-80]	1 plane	N1P	217
[-100,-80]	2 planes	N2P	147









Sibson & Xie, 1998 M > 5.5Conclusions: **Optimal & lock up angles** Fault plane (known) • Bimodal 25-35°, 45-55° 2D frictional sliding Rake = $+90\pm30^{\circ}$ • 25-35°-> $\phi_0 = 20-40^\circ$ • Paucity of $\delta < 20^{\circ}$ • Lock up angle $\delta = 60^{\circ}$ 8 consistent with $\mu = 0.6$ N = 31Sibson & Xie, 1998 • Domino rotation to high dip (45-55°)? 7 • Reactivation of normal faults (45-55°)? 6 25-35° peak (a) 45-55° peak (b) 5 Count 4 initiation of 'Andersonian' normal faults under extension 3 initiation of 'Andersonian' thrust faults under compression 2 progressive extensional 'dominoing' 1 'domino' steepening of thrusts 0 during progressive contraction 50 25 30 35 40 45 55 10 15 20 60 5 65 compressional reactivation with faults Dip (°) steepening during positive inversion







Pure Strike Slip Faulting N=1130 **S1P**














Wernicke, 1995, JGR

Jackson & White, 1989 Abers, 1991 (hatched)

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Doser & Smith, 1989 Jackson & White, 1989 Abers, 1991 (hatched) 1 Aegean Sea 1970 2 Aegean Sea 1969 3 Hebgen Lake, 1959 4 Borah Peak, 1983 5 Italy, 1980





Catalog completeness / Magnitudes





Conclusions

- Shallow earthquakes dominated by pure dip or strike slip events.
- Simplest interpretation: dominant 'near Anderson' faulting.
 - supports crustal strength hypothesis of Brace & Kohlstedt (1980) to crustal depths
- Dissymetry between normal and thrust events

sciences

- Thrust events compatible with Andersonian conditions but with $\varphi_0 = 40-60^\circ$.
- Normal events nodal planes dipping around 45°, suggesting $\varphi_0 \rightarrow 0^\circ$, $\varphi_0 = 0-30^\circ$.
- Highlights how much complete global catalogs can reveal
- How much more could be learnt from catalog complete to lower magnitude (x10/M), more precise depth determinations and fault plane identification.