De la cartographie au suivi temporel: Apport de l'interférométrie Radar pour une exploration mécanique du glissement asismique

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Variable spatial scales





A wide variety of behaviours

USGS website



fault abbreviations

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Creep occurs where fault rheology favours stable behaviour (i.e. slip- or rate-strengthening)

Earthquakes occur where fault rheology favours unstable behaviour (i.e. slip- or rate-weakening)

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Part 3: Exploring the influence of fault geometry on aseismic slip from InSAR data.

Part 1: Bayesian sampling of the slip distribution along the San Andreas Fault











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Slip Deficit Buildup rate? Variability along strike?

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36±2 mm/yr

Constant deep loading rate along-strike with partitioning on sub-parallel structures

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Along-Strike variations of creep

Microseismicity: Waldhauser F. and Schaff D. P. (2005, 2008)

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A possible underlying creep rate increase prior to the nucleation of the 1857 M7.9 earthquake

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Seismotectonic setting



Fig. 1. Map of the North Anatolian Fault (NAF) in the Sea of Marmara region [20] with the rupture segments of the large earthquakes that occurred in the last century. Arrows are GPS observed and modeled vectors relative to the Eurasian plate [16]. The dashed rectangle is the ERS image frame. The inset map shows the schematic plate configurations (Eu=Eurasia, Ar=Arabia, An=Anatolia, EAF=East Anatolian Fault).

Çakir et al, 2005, EPSL

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New constellations with short repeat time: Sentinel 1/2 (6 days), Cosmo SkyMed (1-12 days), TSX (1-12 days)



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Time Series of CSK data over the NAF

I removed this part because it is Baptiste work and it has not been published yet... Sorry...



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Kaneko et al 2010

Percentage of two-segment ruptures (%)

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What is the physics at stake behind aseismic slip?

1920 M8 earthquake

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Bulk properties of the crust control the fault geometry, through long distance interactions

e.g. Candela et al 2011

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Slip is organized in bursts





A similar power law:

Aseismic slip occurs on geometrical asperities

This power law is constant through time:

Geometrical asperities are "permanent" (at least for the 5 years period)









Burst: Segment where the velocity is higher than C

C varies from 1 to 15 mm/yr


Seismic Moment:

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This law is similar to the Gutemberg-Richter law for earthquakes











Avalanche-like mechanism
 We see a cascade of events
 Creep Bursts cascades, like aftershocks do

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Conclusions - Perspectives

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Systematically quantify fault coupling along active boundaries. Identify locked and creeping patches. Relate to the past (and future) seismic history of the fault



Monitoring temporal variations of aseismic slip using InSAR

New constellations are in place. Short repeat time will shed a new light on creeping segments (dynamic evolution) Systematic monitoring of creeping faults on continental settings

Extracting possible mechanical behaviours from InSAR images

Using these new data sets to explore possible new interpretations, refine models and explain the interplay between seismic and aseismic behaviour