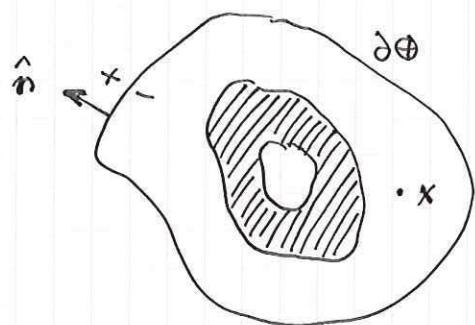


Free Oscillations and Surface Waves

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Consider an Earth model with a solid mantle & crust, a fluid outer core and a solid inner core



Φ_S : solid regions

Φ_F : fluid regions

$$\Phi = \Phi_S \cup \Phi_F$$

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_{SS} + \Sigma_{FS} + \partial\Phi$$

solid-solid ↑ ↓ fluid-solid e.g. CMB
e.g. Moho .

We ignore the Earth's self-gravitation, even though it is quantitatively important for the low-frequency normal modes.

Elastodynamic equation of motion : $\rho \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} = \nabla \cdot T$

Hooke's law : $T = C : \varepsilon$ or $T_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl}$

where $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} [\nabla s + (\nabla s)^T]$ or $\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta_i s_j + \delta_j s_i)$
is the elastic strain.

The tensor C_{ijkl} is the elastic tensor :

$$C_{ijkl} = C_{jikl} = C_{ijlk} = C_{klij}$$

\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow
 $T^T = T$ $\varepsilon^T = \varepsilon$ hyperelastic material

A general anisotropic material (triclinic xtal) has 21 independent ~~elastic~~ elastic components.

Isotropic material : $C_{ijkl} = (\kappa - \frac{2}{3}\mu) \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})$

$$T = (\kappa - \frac{2}{3}\mu)(\nabla \cdot s) \mathbf{I} + 2\mu \varepsilon, \text{ or}$$

$$T = \kappa(\nabla \cdot s) \mathbf{I} + 2\mu s \quad \text{where}$$

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$$\delta = \varepsilon - \frac{1}{3}(\operatorname{tr} \varepsilon) \mathbf{I} = \varepsilon - \frac{1}{3}(\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{s}) \mathbf{I} \quad \text{is the}$$

~~deviatoric~~ strain ($\operatorname{tr} \delta = 0$)

$$\mathbf{T} = \cancel{\kappa} \kappa (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{s}) \mathbf{I} + 2\mu \delta$$

↑
isotropic stress ↓ deviatoric stress

κ - bulk modulus or incompressibility
 μ - shear modulus or rigidity

Fluid region : $\mu = 0$ (no rigidity)

$$\mathbf{T} = \kappa (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{s}) \mathbf{I} \quad \text{in } \Phi_F$$

Boundary conditions :

kinematic : $[s]^\pm = 0$ on Σ_{SS} (welded)

$[\hat{n} \cdot s]^\pm = 0$ on Σ_{FS} (tangential slip allowed)

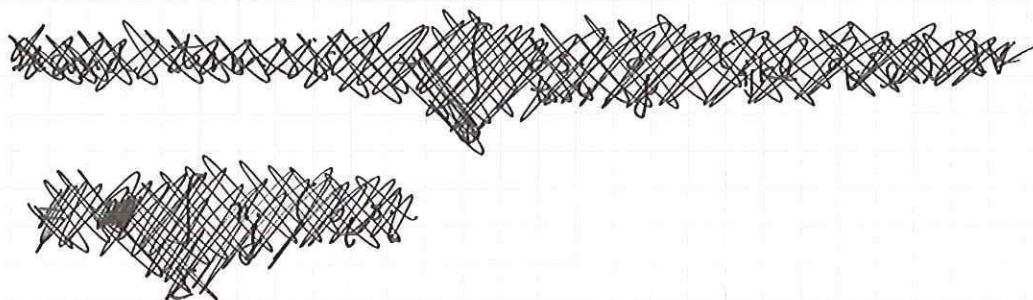
dynamic : $[\hat{n} \cdot \mathbf{T}]^\pm = 0$ traction continuous
 on both Σ_{SS} & Σ_{FS}

$\hat{n} \cdot \mathbf{T} = 0$ on $\partial \Phi$: free outer surface

Conservation of energy :

Consider $\int \oint \frac{\partial s}{\partial t} \cdot (\rho \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} - \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{T}) dV$

First term is $\frac{d}{dt} \int \oint \frac{1}{2} \rho |\frac{\partial s}{\partial t}|^2 dV$



Second term is $-\int \oint \partial_t s_j \partial_i T_{ij} dV$

$$= \int \sum_{\Sigma} [\cancel{\partial_t s_j \nabla_i T_{ij}}] \pm d\Sigma + \int \oint T_{ij} \partial_t (\partial_i s_j) dV$$

why: if clause
in Gauss' theorem
(note - must apply
Gauss' theorem
separately to
each sub-region)

$$= \int \oint C_{ijkl} \partial_k s_e \partial_t (\partial_i s_j) dV$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} \int \oint \frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl} \partial_i s_j \partial_k s_l dV$$

since $C_{ijkl} = C_{klij}$

In summary:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int \oint \left[\frac{1}{2} \rho |\partial_t s|^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl} \partial_i s_j \partial_k s_l \right] dV = 0$$

$\frac{1}{2} \rho |\partial_t s|^2$: kinetic energy density

$\frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{ij} \varepsilon_{kl}$: stored elastic potential energy density

The sum of the kinetic + potential energy is conserved: $\frac{d}{dt} (T + V) = 0$.

In an isotropic material, the elastic energy

density is $\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} K (\nabla \cdot s)^2}_{\text{compressional energy density}} + \underbrace{\mu \delta : \delta}_{\text{shear energy density}}$ stability: $K > 0$
 $\mu > 0$
more generally

A hyperelastic material ($C_{ijkl} = C_{klij}$) is one having an elastic energy density.

C is positive definite
every deformation requires work

Hamilton's principle

The equations of motion and boundary conditions can be derived from a variational principle. Define the action integral

$$I = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\oplus} L \, dV \, dt \quad L(s, \dot{s}, \ddot{s})$$

where $L = \frac{1}{2} \rho |\dot{s}|^2 - \frac{1}{2} C_{ijkl} \epsilon_{ij} \epsilon_{kl}$ is the Lagrangian density
kinetic - potential

We regard I as a functional of the dynamical path $s(x, t)$ between times t_1 and t_2 .

Consider the variation of this functional for fixed end-points $\delta s(x, t_1) = \delta s(x, t_2) = 0$.

A variation δs is admissible if $[\delta s]^\pm = 0$
on Σ_{SS} and $[\hat{n} \cdot \delta s]^\pm = 0$ on Σ_{FS} .

$$\delta I = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\oplus} [\delta s \cdot \partial_s L + \partial_t(\delta s) \cdot \partial_{\dot{s}} L + \nu(\delta s) \cdot \partial_{ss} L] \, dV \, dt$$

$$= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\oplus} \delta s \cdot [\partial_s L - \cancel{\partial_t(\partial_{\dot{s}} L)} - \nu \cdot (\partial_{ss} L)] \, dV \, dt$$

$$+ \int_{\oplus} \left[\delta s \cdot \cancel{\partial_{\dot{s}} L} \right]_{t_1}^{t_2} \, dV$$

zero since ends of path are fixed

$$-\int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\Sigma} [\delta s \cdot (\hat{n} \cdot \partial_{ss} L)]^\pm \, d\Sigma \, dt$$

δI vanishes for an arbitrary admissible δs if and only if

$$\partial_s L - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\partial_{\dot{q}^s} L) - \nabla \cdot (\partial_{\dot{p}^s} L) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Phi$$

Euler-Lagrange eqn

$$[\hat{n} \cdot (\partial_{\dot{p}^s} L)]^\pm \quad \text{on } \Sigma$$

$$\partial_s L = 0$$

$$\partial_{\dot{q}^s} L = \rho \partial_t s \quad (\text{momentum density})$$

$$\partial_{\dot{p}^s} L = -\tau \quad (-\text{stress})$$

$$\text{Euler-Lagrange equation : } \rho \partial_t^2 s = \nabla \cdot \tau$$

$$\text{Boundary condition : } [\hat{n} \cdot \tau]^\pm = 0$$

The underlined term is $- \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \int_{\Sigma} [\delta s \cdot (\hat{n} \cdot \tau)]^\pm d\Sigma dt$

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$$\text{on } \Sigma_{SS} : [\delta s]^\pm = 0$$

$$\text{on } \Sigma_{FS} : [\hat{n} \cdot \delta s]^\pm = 0 \quad \text{but } \hat{n} \cdot \tau = \hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \tau)$$

dynamical b.c. arise naturally no shear stress on Σ_{FS} .

Normal mode solutions : oscillatory in time

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D&T.

$$s(x, t) = s(x) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sin \omega t \\ \cos \omega t \end{array} \right\}$$

why? because
 $p(x)$ and $C(x)$
ind. of time

$s(x)$: real eigenfunction

ω : real eigenfrequency

$$-\rho \omega^2 s = \nabla \cdot \tau$$

dependence on ω^2
 \Rightarrow two eigenfrequencies
 $\pm \omega$ associated with
every s .

Write in abstract operator notation :

today
sect. 4.1

$$Hs = \omega^2 s \quad \text{where} \quad Hs = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\sigma}s)$$

$$\text{or } Hs_j = -\frac{1}{\rho} \partial_i (C_{ijkl} \partial_k s_l)$$

H stands for the differential operator together with the b.c.

$$\text{Eigenvalue problem : } Hs = \omega^2 s$$

↓ eigenvalue

Define the inner product of two functions s and s' :

$$\langle s, s' \rangle = \int \rho s \cdot s' dV$$

⊕ ↑ density weighting

The operator H is Hermitian or self-adjoint with respect to $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, i.e.

$$\langle s, Hs' \rangle = \langle Hs, s' \rangle = \langle s', Hs \rangle$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle s, Hs' \rangle &= - \int s \cdot (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}') dV \\ &= \int C_{ijkl} \partial_i s_j \partial_k s'_l dV \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{⊕} \\ + \int [\hat{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}' \cdot s]^\pm d\Sigma \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

equal
since
 $C_{ijkl} = C_{klji}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle s', Hs \rangle &= - \int s' \cdot (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}) dV \\ &= \int C_{ijkl} \partial_i s'_j \partial_k s_l dV \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{⊕} \\ + \int [\hat{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} \cdot s']^\pm d\Sigma \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

The surface integrals vanish by virtue of the b.c.
(this is why H "includes the b.c.")

It is noteworthy that the manipulations required to show that H is Hermitian are the same as those used to show $\frac{d}{dt}(T+V) = 0$.

Illustrates a general principle — that physical systems governed by Hermitian operators are energy-conserving.

Consider now the inner product of $HS = \omega^2 s$ with s' and the inner product of $Hs' = \omega'^2 s'$ with s :

~~$$\omega^2 \langle s', s \rangle = \langle s', Hs \rangle$$~~

$$\omega'^2 \langle s, s' \rangle = \langle s, Hs' \rangle$$

Subtracting and using the Hermiticity we find

$$(\omega^2 - \omega'^2) \langle s, s' \rangle = 0 \quad \text{or}$$

$$\langle s, s' \rangle = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad \omega^2 \neq \omega'^2$$

Eigenfunctions ~~s~~ associated with discrete eigenfrequencies $\omega \neq \omega'$ are orthogonal in the sense $\langle s, s' \rangle = 0$. Because of this every eigensolution ω, s is referred to as a normal mode.

Rayleigh's principle:

Every Hermitian eigenvalue problem of the form $HS = \omega^2 s$ is associated with a variational principle known as Rayleigh's principle.

Consider the Rayleigh quotient

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\langle s, Hs \rangle}{\langle s, s \rangle}$$

Regard right side as a functional which assigns a scalar $\omega^2(s)$ to every possible displacement s . Then Rayleigh's principle asserts that this functional is stationary for every admissible δs iff s is an eigenfunction with associated ~~eigenfrequency~~ squared eigenfrequency ω^2 . To verify this,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\omega^2 &= \frac{\langle \delta s, Hs \rangle + \langle s, H\delta s \rangle - \omega^2 \langle \delta s, s \rangle - \omega^2 \langle s, \delta s \rangle}{\langle s, s \rangle} \\ &= \frac{2 \langle \delta s, Hs - \omega^2 s \rangle}{\langle s, s \rangle} \end{aligned}$$

Evidently $\delta\omega^2 = 0$ for an arbitrary δs iff $Hs = \omega^2 s$.

We may alternatively consider the quantity

$$J = \frac{1}{2}\omega^2 \langle s, s \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle s, Hs \rangle$$

rather than ω^2 to be the stationary functional.

An alternative notation — define the kinetic and potential energy quadratic functionals

$$T = \oint \rho s \cdot s dV$$

$$V = \oint C_{ijkl} \epsilon_{ij} \epsilon_{kl} dV.$$

Then $\omega^2 = \frac{v}{\alpha} = \frac{\text{potential energy}}{\text{kinetic energy}}$

$$\delta J = \frac{1}{2}(\omega^2 \alpha - v) = \text{kinetic energy} - \text{potential energy}$$

Fleshing out the above schematic proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta J &= \int_{\Phi} \delta s \cdot [\omega^2 \rho s + \nabla \cdot \tau] dV \\ &\quad + \int_{\Sigma} [\delta s \cdot (\hat{n} \cdot \tau)]^{\pm} d\Sigma\end{aligned}$$

Clearly δJ vanishes for an arbitrary δs iff

$$-\rho \omega^2 s = \nabla \cdot \tau \text{ in } \Phi$$

$$[\hat{n} \cdot \tau]^{\pm} = 0 \text{ on } \Sigma$$

The stationary value of J at the eigenolutions ω^2, s is $J=0$. Physically, $\omega^2 \alpha$ and v are ~~twice~~ the average k.e. and p.e.

during a cycle of free oscillation

$$s(x) \cos \omega t \text{ or } s(x) \sin \omega t.$$

Trivial modes:

Every Earth model has a 6-dimensional space of trivial rigid-body modes

$$\omega^2 = 0, \quad s(x) = \underbrace{\mathbf{x}}_3 + \underbrace{\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{x}}_{3 \text{ rotations}}$$

In addition there is an ∞ -dimensional family of trivial geostrophic ($\omega^2=0$) modes confined to the fluid core.

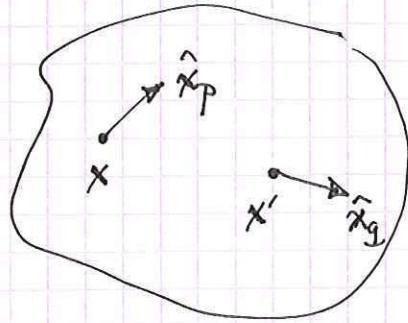
Green's tensor

Go to page 14.2: do Rayleigh's principle before this.

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The response to an earthquake, meteorite impact, nuclear explosion, etc. can be conveniently expressed in terms of the Green's tensor or impulse response:

Definition: $G_{pq}(x, x'; t)$ is the \hat{x}_p component of the response at x, t to a unit impulse force ~~at x'~~ in the \hat{x}_q direction at $x', 0$.



In other words: $\rho \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} G + HG \right) = I \delta(x-x') \delta(t)$

Equivalently, we can solve the homogeneous eqn

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} G + HG \right) = 0, \quad t \geq 0$$

subject to the initial conditions

$$G(x, x'; 0) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial_t}{\partial t} G(x, x'; 0) = \rho^{-1} I \delta(x-x')$$

Label the eigensolutions $\pm \omega_k, s_k$ with an index k and normalize such that

$$\langle s_k, s_{k'} \rangle = \int_V \rho s_k \cdot s_{k'} dV = \delta_{kk'}$$

Look for a solution that is a linear combination of free oscillations (assume the s_k are complete), for $t \geq 0$:

$$G(x, x'; t) = \sum_k s_k(x) [a_k(x') \cos \omega_k t + b_k(x') \sin \omega_k t] H(t)$$

This satisfies $\rho(\partial_t^2 G + H G) = 0$.

The b.c. are satisfied if

$$\sum_k s_k a_k = 0 ; \quad \sum_k \omega_k s_k b_k = \rho^{-1} \mathcal{I} \delta(x - x')$$

Take inner product with s_k and use orthonormality:

$$a_k = 0 ; \quad b_k = \omega_k^{-1} s_k(x')$$

Thus the normal-mode Green's tensor is

$$G(x, x'; t) = \sum_k \omega_k^{-1} s_k(x) s_k(x') \sin \omega_k t H(t)$$

Every mode begins oscillating with the same phase, like $\sin \omega_k t$.

Note that

$$G(x, x'; t) = G^T(x', x; t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} G_{pq}(x, x'; t) \\ = G_{qp}(x', x; t) \end{aligned}$$

This is the principle of source-receiver reciprocity. Note that the orientations of source and receiver as well as their locations must be interchanged.

Response to a transient force:

The response to a general applied body force f in Φ and surface force t on $\partial\Phi$ can be found by convolution with the impulse response:

$$s(x, t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \int_{\Phi} g(x, x'; t-t') \cdot f(x', t') dV' dt'$$

$$+ \int_{-\infty}^t \int_{\partial\Phi} g(x, x'; t-t') \cdot t(x', t') d\Sigma' dt'$$

Superposition plus causality (upper limit is t). Lower limit can be any time before f and t begin to act (entire past history).

Substituting the mode-sum Green's tensor gives

$$s(x, t) = \sum_k w_k^{-1} s_k(x) \int_{-\infty}^t A_k(t') \underbrace{\sin w_k(t-t')}_{\text{impulse response}} dt'$$

where

$$A_k(t) = \int_{\Phi} f(x, t) \cdot s_k(x) dV + \int_{\partial\Phi} t(x, t) \cdot s_k(x) d\Sigma$$

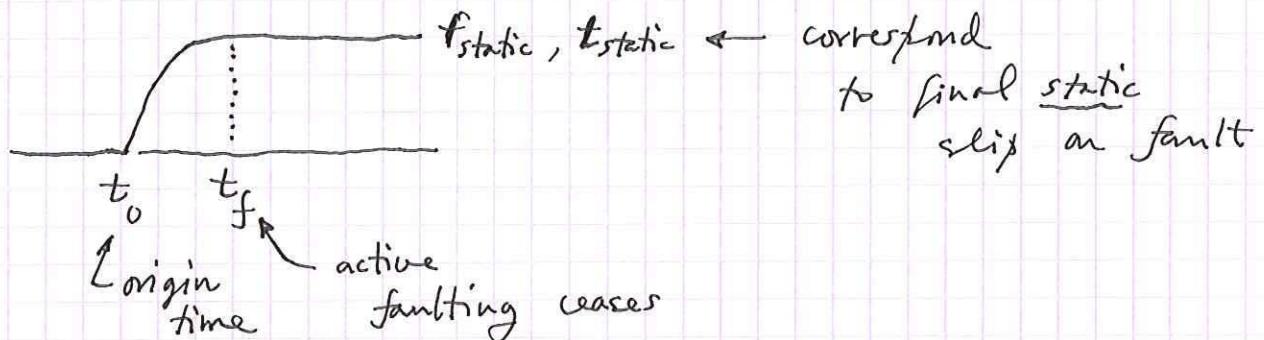
projection onto the mode

Integrating by parts with respect to time, can also write in form

$$s(x, t) = \sum_k \omega_k^{-2} s_k(x) \int_{-\infty}^t \partial_t A_k(t') [1 - \cos \omega_k (t - t')] dt'$$

unit step response

As we shall see later, the equivalent forces to an earthquake have the character



The response to such a transient force, for times $t \geq t_f$, is

$$s(x, t) = \sum_k \omega_k^{-2} (a_k^f - a_k \cos \omega_k t - b_k \sin \omega_k t) s_k(x), \quad t \geq t_f$$

$$a_k^{\text{stat}} = \int_{\Phi} f_{\text{stat}} \cdot s_k dV + \int_{\partial\Phi} t_{\text{stat}} \cdot s_k d\Sigma$$

$$a_k = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \int_{\Phi} \partial_t^f \cdot s_k \cos \omega_k t dV dt + \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \int_{\partial\Phi} \partial_t^f t \cdot s_k \cancel{\cos \omega_k t} d\Sigma dt$$

$$b_k = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \int_{\Phi} \partial_t^f \cdot s_k \sin \omega_k t dV dt + \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \int_{\partial\Phi} \partial_t^f t \cdot s_k \sin \omega_k t d\Sigma dt$$

integrals only over active faulting interval

Anelasticity causes the oscillations $\cos \omega_k t$, $\sin \omega_k t$ to decay with time:

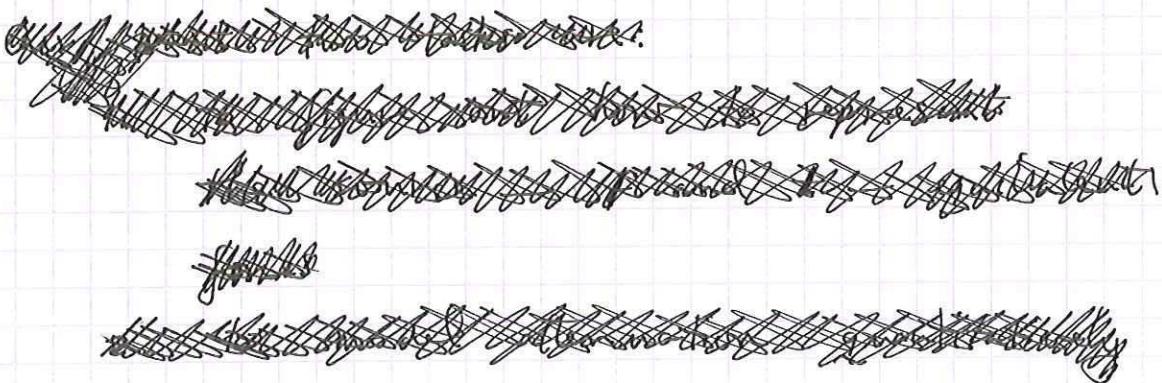
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} s(x, t) \equiv s_{\text{stat}}(x) = \sum_k w_k^{-2} a_k^{\text{stat}} s_k(x)$$

This represents the permanent static deformation of the Earth produced by the faulting.

Modern seismic instruments are in essence accelerometers—the acceleration is

$$a(x, t) = \sum_k \underbrace{(a_k \cos \omega_k t + b_k \sin \omega_k t)}_{\text{free oscillations}} s_k(x), \quad t \geq t_f$$

$s_k(x)$ is the geographic shape of the k th oscillation every detail of every observed seismogram is of this form (with attenuation properly accounted for).



Rayleigh-Ritz method :

Let $\{\mathbf{e}_k\}$ be a set of functions in Φ , smooth everywhere except on Σ_S , where they satisfy $[\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{e}_k] = 0$. For now the \mathbf{e}_k can be considered arbitrary — later we will take them to be the eigenfunctions of a starting Earth model.

Write eigenfunction s as an expansion

$$s = \sum_k a_k \mathbf{e}_k$$

Substitute into the action $I = \frac{1}{2} (\omega^2 \mathbf{T} - \mathbf{V})$

Get new form for action:

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}^T (\omega^2 \mathbf{T} - \mathbf{V}) \cdot \mathbf{a}$$

where

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ a_k \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & & \\ \cdots T_{kk'} \cdots & & \\ \vdots & & \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & & \\ \cdots V_{kk'} \cdots & & \\ \vdots & & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{kk'} &= \int_{\Phi} \rho \mathbf{e}_k \cdot \mathbf{e}_{k'} dV & V_{kk'} &= \int_{\Phi} \mathbf{e}_k : C : \mathbf{e}_{k'} dV \\ &= \int_{\Phi} [K(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_k)(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{k'}) + 2\mu \delta_k : \delta_{k'}] dV \end{aligned}$$

\mathbf{T} and \mathbf{V} are symmetric matrices: $\mathbf{T}^T = \mathbf{T}$, $\mathbf{V}^T = \mathbf{V}$

The variation of the action with respect to \mathbf{a} is

$$\begin{aligned} \delta I &= \frac{1}{2} \delta \mathbf{a}^T (\omega^2 \mathbf{T} - \mathbf{V}) \cdot \mathbf{a} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}^T (\omega^2 \mathbf{T} - \mathbf{V}) \cdot \delta \mathbf{a} \\ &= \delta \mathbf{a}^T (\omega^2 \mathbf{T} - \mathbf{V}) \cdot \mathbf{a} = 0 \quad \text{iff } \mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{a} = \omega^2 \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{a} \end{aligned}$$

\mathbf{T} is symmetric and positive definite $\mathbf{T} > 0$ so it can be inverted: $(\mathbf{T}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{V}) \cdot \mathbf{a} = \omega^2 \mathbf{a}$, an ordinary matrix eigenvalue problem. No need to solve ODE's — only need to do matrix algebra.

Rayleigh's principle can also be used to calculate the change in an eigenfrequency ω due to a change in the Earth model:

$$\rho \rightarrow \rho + \delta\rho, \quad \kappa \rightarrow \kappa + \delta\kappa, \quad \mu \rightarrow \mu + \delta\mu$$

$$\text{as a result } \omega \rightarrow \omega + \delta\omega, \quad s \rightarrow \delta s$$

↑ no need to calculate

We regard the Lagrangian density, L as a functional not only of $s/\overset{\nabla s}{\wedge}$ but also of ω and $\Phi \equiv \{\rho, \kappa, \mu\}$. Write the action as

$$J = \int_{\Omega} L(s, \overset{\nabla s}{\wedge}, \omega, \Phi) dV \quad \text{where}$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} [\omega^2 \rho s \cdot s - \kappa (\nabla \cdot s)^2 - 2\mu \delta s : \delta s]$$

do this
in terms
of C_{ijkl}

We know 2 things about J :

(1) it is stationary

(2) its value at the stationary points (eigenolutions)
is zero

$$\text{Consider } J = \int_{\Omega} L(s, \overset{\nabla s}{\wedge}, \omega, \Phi) dV = 0$$

Take the total variation w.r.t. $s, \overset{\nabla s}{\wedge}, \omega^2, \Phi$

$$\int_{\Omega} [\delta s \cdot \partial_s L + \overset{\nabla s}{\wedge} : \partial_{\overset{\nabla s}{\wedge}} L + \delta \omega^2 \partial_{\omega^2} L + \delta \Phi \partial_{\Phi} L] dV = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\int_{\Omega} \delta s \cdot [\partial_s L - \nabla \cdot (\partial_{\overset{\nabla s}{\wedge}} L)] dV}_{\rho \omega^2 s + \nabla \cdot T = 0} - \int_{\Sigma} [\delta s \cdot (\hat{n} \cdot \partial_{\overset{\nabla s}{\wedge}} L)]^+ d\Sigma - \underbrace{\hat{n} \cdot T = 0}_{\int_{\Sigma} \delta \Phi \partial_{\Phi} L d\Sigma = 0}$$

$$+ \int_{\Omega} [\delta \omega^2 \partial_{\omega^2} L + \delta \Phi \partial_{\Phi} L] dV = 0$$

$$\delta\omega^2 \int \partial_{\omega}^2 L dV = - \int \underset{\oplus}{\delta\Phi} \underset{\oplus}{\partial_{\Phi}} L$$

$$= - \int \underset{\oplus}{[\delta\rho \partial_p L + \delta\kappa \partial_k L + \delta\mu \partial_\mu L]} dV$$

$$\partial_{\omega}^2 L = \frac{1}{2} \rho s \cdot s$$

If we adopt the normalization $\int \underset{\oplus}{\rho s \cdot s} dV = 1$:

~~$$\delta\omega^2 = \int \underset{\oplus}{[\delta\kappa (s \cdot s)^2 + 2\delta\mu (\delta \cdot \delta) - \delta\rho \omega^2 s \cdot s]} dV$$~~

~~$$\delta\omega^2 = \int \underset{\oplus}{[\delta\kappa (s \cdot s)^2 + 2\mu (\delta \cdot \delta) - \delta\rho \omega^2 s \cdot s]} dV$$~~

$\Sigma : \delta C : \epsilon$

This is the basis for SNR&I Earth model inversion. One measures the observed frequencies of vibration after an earthquake and calculates the residuals $\delta\omega = \omega_{obs} - \omega_{model}$ relative to some starting or initial model. The above result can then be used to adjust the model to provide a best fit to the data.

Quasi-degenerate perturbation theory

The above only works if the initial eigenfrequencies are well isolated in the spectrum. More generally we can seek to find all the zeroth-order eigenfunctions s and first-order

eigenfrequencies $\omega_0 + \delta\omega$ in the vicinity of some fiducial or reference frequency ω_0 .

Use the Rayleigh-Ritz form of the action but now choose the basis vectors e_k to be the ~~orthogonal~~ eigenfunctions of the initial model: $e_k = s_k$. The kinetic and potential energy matrices now take the form

$$T = \cancel{\int} \mathbf{I} + \delta T$$

$$V = \Omega^2 + \delta V \quad \text{where} \quad \Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \dots & \omega_k & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

Reason: $T_{kk'} = \int \underset{\oplus}{(P + \delta P)} s_k \cdot s_{k'} dV$, etc.

Substitute in $V \cdot a = \omega^2 T \cdot a$ and neglect second-order terms

$$(\Omega^2 + \delta V) \cdot a = (\omega_0^2 + 2\omega_0 \delta\omega) (\mathbf{I} + \delta T) \cdot a$$

$$(\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2 \mathbf{I} + \delta V - \omega_0^2 \delta T) \cdot a = 2\omega_0 \delta\omega a$$

$H \cancel{\mathbf{I}} \cdot a = \delta\omega a$ ← an $N \times N$ algebraic eigenvalue problem

$$H \cancel{\mathbf{I}} = \frac{1}{2\omega_0} (\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2 \mathbf{I} + \delta V - \omega_0^2 \delta T)$$

$$H = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\omega_0} \begin{pmatrix} \dots & \omega_k^2 - \omega_0^2 & \dots \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{diagonal}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\omega_0} \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ \delta V_{kk'} - \omega_0^2 \delta T_{kk'} & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{symmetric}}$$

The zeroth-order eigenfunctions of the perturbed model are $s = \sum_k a_k s_k$ and the associated first-order eigenfrequencies are $\omega_0 + \delta\omega$

Seismic source representation:

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The simplest and most general approach to this problem uses the concept of the stress glut, introduced by Backus & Mulcahy in 1976.

We have used two equations

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} : \text{Newton's second law}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = C : \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} : \text{Hooke's "law" b.c. } \hat{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega$$

(linearized)

The first is a bona fide law of physics—the second is not. If both "laws" were always valid there would be no earthquakes—the equations are homogeneous.

Every indigenous source, which does not involve forces exerted by other bodies (e.g. a meteorite strike) are the result of a localized, transient failure of Hooke's law (including slip on faults, phase changes, etc.)

We regard Newton's law and the b.c. as true for the true physical stress $\boldsymbol{\tau}_{\text{true}}$:

$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 s}{\partial t^2} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_{\text{true}} \text{ in } \Omega$$

$$\hat{n} \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau}_{\text{true}} = 0 \text{ on } \partial \Omega$$

But Hooke's law only defines the Hooke stress

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}_{\text{Hooke}} = C : \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

Define the Backus-Munkay stress glut by

$$\Pi_{\text{glut}} = \Pi_{\text{Hooke}} - \Pi_{\text{true}} \quad \text{DFT call the glut } S$$

Rewrite eqn & b.c. in form

$$\rho \partial_t^2 s = \nabla \cdot \Pi_{\text{Hooke}} - \nabla \cdot \Pi_{\text{glut}} \quad \text{in } \Phi$$

$$\hat{n} \cdot \Pi_{\text{Hooke}} = \hat{n} \cdot \Pi_{\text{glut}} \quad \text{on } \partial\Phi$$

Define the equivalent body and surface forces

$$f = -\nabla \cdot \Pi_{\text{glut}} \quad \text{in } \Phi$$

$$t = \hat{n} \cdot \Pi_{\text{glut}} \quad \text{on } \partial\Phi$$

Then have a non-homogeneous problem

$$\rho \partial_t^2 s = \nabla \cdot \Pi + f \quad \text{in } \Phi$$

$$\Pi = C : \varepsilon \quad \text{in } \Phi$$

$$\hat{n} \cdot \Pi = t \quad \text{on } \partial\Phi$$

} where Π denotes
 Π_{Hooke} — the
linear model stress

f and t act as sources that
can excite the free oscillations of the Earth.

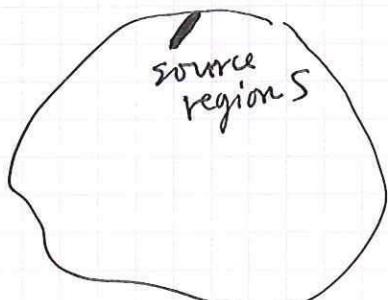
~~source~~

In general the breakdown of Hooke's law will
be confined to some source region S

$$\Pi_{\text{glut}} = 0 \quad \text{in } \Phi - S \text{ and on } \partial S - \partial S \cap \partial\Phi$$

$$f = 0 \quad \text{in } \Phi - S$$

$$t = 0 \quad \text{on } \partial S - \partial S \cap \partial\Phi$$



this eqn not right

t only defined on $\partial\Phi$

fault may
intersect surface
(as shown)

The total force exerted on the Earth by f and t is

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\text{total}} &= \int_{\Phi} f \, dV + \int_{\partial\Phi} t \, d\Sigma \\ &= - \int_S \nabla \cdot T_{\text{glnt}} \, dV + \int_{\partial S \cap \partial\Phi} \hat{n} \cdot T_{\text{glnt}} \, d\Sigma \\ &= - \int_{\partial S - \partial S \cap \partial\Phi} \hat{n} \cdot T_{\text{glnt}} \, d\Sigma = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The total torque likewise vanishes:

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\text{total}} &= \int_{\Phi} \mathbf{x} \times f \, dV + \int_{\partial\Phi} \mathbf{x} \times t \, d\Sigma \\ &= - \int_S \mathbf{x} \times (\nabla \cdot T_{\text{glnt}}) \, dV + \int_{\partial S \cap \partial\Phi} \mathbf{x} \times (\hat{n} \cdot T_{\text{glnt}}) \, d\Sigma \end{aligned}$$

The i th component is

$$\begin{aligned} &- \int_S \varepsilon_{ijk} x_j \frac{\partial}{\partial l} T_{ljk}^{\text{glnt}} \, dV + \int_{\partial S \cap \partial\Phi} \varepsilon_{ijk} x_j n_l T_{ljk}^{\text{glnt}} \, d\Sigma \\ &= \underbrace{\int_S \varepsilon_{ijk} T_{jik}^{\text{glnt}} \, dV}_{\substack{\text{vanishes} \\ \text{since} \\ T_{jik}^{\text{glnt}} = T_{ikj}^{\text{glnt}}} - \int_{\partial S - \partial S \cap \partial\Phi} \varepsilon_{ijk} x_j n_l T_{ljk}^{\text{glnt}} \, d\Sigma \\ &\quad = 0 \end{aligned}$$

An indigenous source exerts no ~~no~~ net force or torque on the Earth — the trivial modes are

not excited as a result.

Recall the acceleration response to a transient applied f and t :

$$\mathbf{a}(x, t) = \sum_k (a_k \cos \omega_k t + b_k \sin \omega_k t) s_k(x)$$

What are the excitation amplitudes for a stress-glut source?

$$\begin{cases} a_k \\ b_k \end{cases} = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \left[\underbrace{\int_V \partial_t f \cdot s_k dV}_{\Phi} + \underbrace{\int_{\Sigma} \partial_t t \cdot s_k d\Sigma}_{\partial \Phi} \right] \begin{cases} \cos \omega_k t \\ \sin \omega_k t \end{cases} dt$$

$$= - \int_S \nabla \cdot \partial_t T_{\text{glut}} \cdot s_k dV + \int_{\partial S} \hat{n} \cdot \partial_t T_{\text{glut}} \cdot s_k d\Sigma$$

$$= \int_S \partial_t T_{\text{glut}} : \nabla s_k dV - \int_{\partial S} \hat{n} \cdot \partial_t T_{\text{glut}} \cdot s_k d\Sigma$$

$$= \int_S \partial_t T_{\text{glut}} : \varepsilon_k dV$$

↑ strain associated with
kth eigenfunction
integral ↑
only over source volume

$$\varepsilon_k = \frac{1}{2} [\nabla s_k + (\nabla s_k)^T]$$

In summary:

$$a_k = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \int_S \partial_t T_{\text{glut}} : \varepsilon_k dV \cos \omega_k t dt$$

$$b_k = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \int_S \partial_t T_{\text{glut}} : \varepsilon_k dV \sin \omega_k t dt$$

L glut-rate

Moment tensor

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In the limit of long wavelengths (\gg source dimensions) and long periods (\gg source duration) we can approximate

$$\varepsilon_k(x) \begin{Bmatrix} \cos \omega_k t \\ \sin \omega_k t \end{Bmatrix} \approx \varepsilon_k(x_s) \begin{Bmatrix} \cos \omega_k t_s \\ \sin \omega_k t_s \end{Bmatrix}$$

Then x_s, t_s are the ~~epicenter~~ epicentral location in this point-source approximation

$$a_k = M : \varepsilon_k(x_s) \cos \omega_k t_s$$

$$b_k = M : \varepsilon_k(x_s) \sin \omega_k t_s$$

where

$$M = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \int_S \partial_t T_{\text{glit}} dV dt$$

$M = M^T$ is the moment tensor — the integrated glit-rate, or equivalently,

$$M = \int_S T_{\text{glit, stat}} dV, \quad \text{the integrated final static stress glit}$$

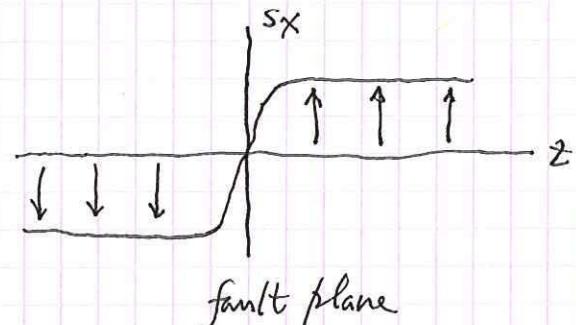
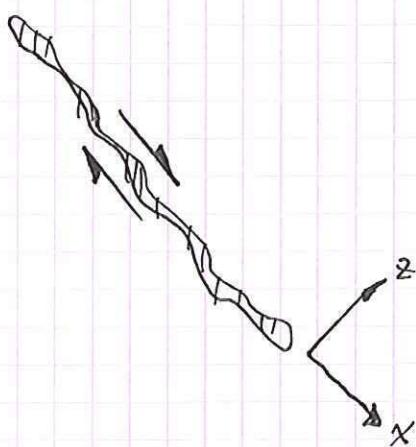
The acceleration response to such a moment tensor source is — using $\cos \omega_k t \cos \omega_k t_s + \sin \omega_k t \sin \omega_k t_s = \cos \omega_k(t - t_s)$:

$$a_k(x, t) = \sum_k \underbrace{M : \varepsilon_k(x_s)}_{\text{amplitude of oscillation}} \underbrace{s_k(x)}_{\text{shape of oscillation}} \underbrace{\cos \omega_k(t - t_s)}_{\text{begins oscillating at } t = t_s}, \quad t \geq t_f$$

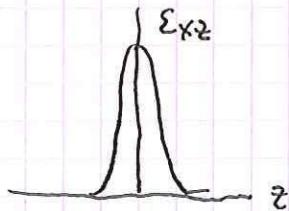
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whence the terminology stress "glut"?

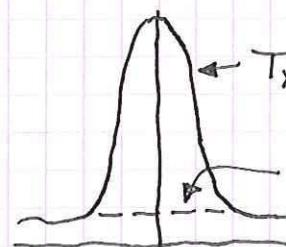
Consider a narrow fault zone such as the San Andreas filled with gouge. The x component of displacement s_x looks like this:



The strain $\epsilon_{xz} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_z s_x)$ looks like this:

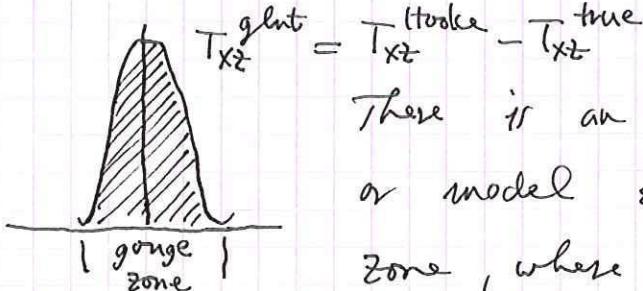


The Hooke stress and true stress look like this:



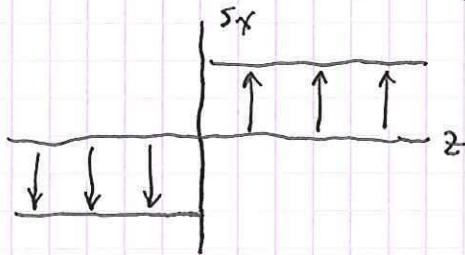
To calculate T_{xz}^{Hooke} we ignore the presence of the gouge and assume that the rigidity $\mu = \mu_{\text{const}} \approx \text{constant}$.

In the competent rock ϵ_{xz} is very small, of $O(10^{-4})$, whereas in the gouge it is large, $\gg 1$.



There is an excess or glut of Hooke or model stress in the ~~gouge~~ gouge zone, where Hooke's law fails.

In the limit of a ~~is~~ very narrow fault zone :



$$T_{xz}^{\text{glrt}} = T_{zx}^{\text{glrt}} = \mu s \delta(z - z_{\text{fault}})$$

where $s = [s_x]^\frac{1}{2}$ is the total slip on the fault and $\delta(z - z_{\text{fault}})$ is a Dirac delta function.

Distribution theory:

To generalize the above simplified analysis it is useful to review some elementary notions from the theory of distributions or generalized functions (L. Schwartz).

A distribution is a continuous linear functional on a space of test functions ϕ . The test functions are assumed to be smooth in ϕ and vanishing on $\partial\Phi$. We denote the scalar that the distribution f assigns to the test function ϕ by :

$$\langle f, \phi \rangle \rightarrow \text{real scalar}$$

↳ continuous in this slot

Every ordinary function in Φ can be regarded as a distribution provided we define

$$\langle f, \phi \rangle = \int_{\Phi} f \phi \, dV$$

when it is important to distinguish functions and distributions we write the distribution associated with a function f in the form δf .

By analogy we ~~will~~ also frequently write

$$\langle f, \phi \rangle = \int_{\Phi} f \phi \, dV$$

for a more general distribution, the "integration" being purely symbolic. All distributions of the form Df are said to be regular; all others are singular.

If f is an ordinary differentiable function (regular distribution) we can write

$$\int_{\Phi} (\nabla f) \phi \, dV = - \int_{\Phi} f \nabla \phi \, dV \quad (\text{since the } \phi's \text{ vanish on } \partial \Phi)$$

More generally we define the gradient of a singular distribution f by:

$$\boxed{\nabla f, \phi} \equiv - \langle f, \nabla \phi \rangle$$

If the test functions ϕ are smooth enough then every distribution can be differentiated any number of times in this sense.

The most familiar example of a singular distribution is the Dirac delta distribution (or "function") defined by

$$\langle \delta_{\xi}, \phi \rangle = \int_{\Phi} \delta_{\xi} \phi \, dV = \phi(\xi) \quad \leftarrow \text{no ordinary function has}$$

in book $\langle \delta_0, \phi \rangle = \phi(x_0)$

A more common notation for this:

$$\int_{\Phi} \delta(x - \xi) \phi(x) \, d^3x = \phi(\xi)$$

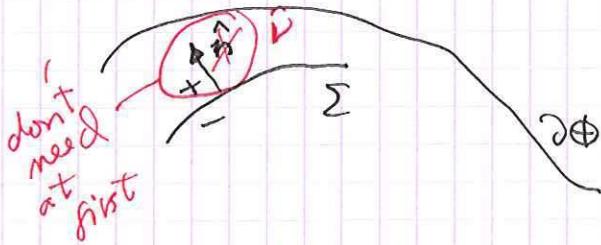
just selects $\phi(\xi)$ at a point ξ .

The gradient $\nabla \delta_{\xi}$ is defined in accordance with the general definition by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \nabla \delta_{\xi}, \phi \rangle &= \int_{\Phi} \nabla_x \delta(x - \xi) \phi(x) \, d^3x \\ &= - \int_{\Phi} \delta(x - \xi) \nabla_x \phi(x) \, d^3x = - \langle \delta_{\xi}, \nabla \phi \rangle. \\ &\quad = - r \phi'(\xi) \end{aligned}$$

A useful singular distribution in the present context is defined as follows:

Let Σ be a smooth 2-d surface in Φ and let w a smooth ordinary function on Σ .



Define the distribution $w \delta_{\Sigma}$ by

$$\langle w \delta_{\Sigma}, \phi \rangle = \int_{\Sigma} w \phi \, d\Sigma$$

A more suggestive notation:

$$w \delta_{\Sigma} = \int_{\Sigma} w(\xi) \delta(x - \xi) \, d^2\xi$$

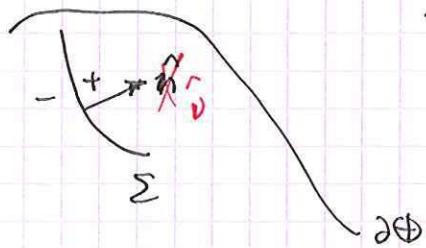
Then:

$$\langle w \delta_{\Sigma}, \phi \rangle = \int_{\Phi} \int_{\Sigma} w(\xi) \delta(x - \xi) \phi(x) \, d^2\xi \, d^3x = \int_{\Sigma} w(\xi) \phi(\xi) \, d^2\xi$$

We can regard $w\delta_\Sigma$ as a weighted "distribution" of Dirac ~~deltas~~ deltas on Σ just as $\sum_k w_k \delta(x - \mathbf{f}_k)$ is a weighted discrete "distribution".

The "value" of $w\delta_\Sigma$ (this concept can be made rigorous) is zero everywhere except on Σ just as the "value" of $\sum_k w_k \delta(x - \mathbf{f}_k)$ is zero everywhere except at the points \mathbf{f}_k .

We now make a calculation — suppose that f is an ordinary function that is smooth everywhere in Φ except on a surface Σ where it exhibits a jump discontinuity $[f]^+$

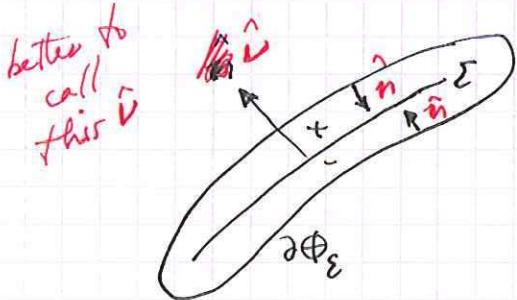


what is ∇f ? It does not exist as an ordinary function everywhere in Φ , notably on Σ . But we can calculate $\nabla(\Delta f)$.

$$\langle \nabla(\Delta f), \phi \rangle = - \langle \Delta f, \nabla \phi \rangle$$

We regard the right side as an integral over a punctured volume ~~Φ~~ that envelops Σ and collapses onto it in the limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\langle \nabla(\Delta f), \phi \rangle = - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Phi - \Phi_\varepsilon}^{\text{now an ordinary smooth function in this domain}} f \nabla \phi \, dV$$



why do we do this — because we want to be able to integrate by part
We can apply Gauss' theorem before taking the limit:

$$-\int_{\Phi - \Phi_\varepsilon} f \nabla \phi dV = -\int_{\partial \Phi_\varepsilon} \hat{n} f \phi d\Sigma + \int_{\Phi - \Phi_\varepsilon} \nabla f \cdot \phi dV$$

unit inward
 normal to $\partial \Phi_\varepsilon$

Now take limit $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$= \int_{\Sigma} \hat{n} [f]^\pm \phi d\Sigma + \int_{\Phi} \nabla f \cdot \phi dV$$

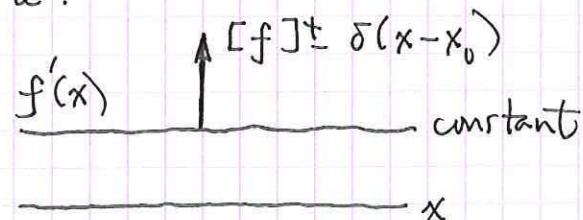
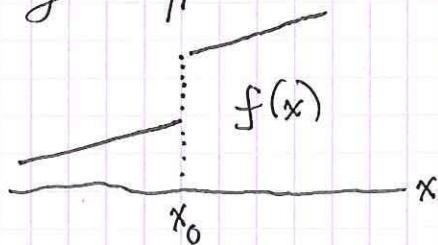
In conclusion:

$$\langle \nabla(\Delta f), \phi \rangle = \langle \Delta(\nabla f) + \hat{n} [f]^\pm \delta_\Sigma, \phi \rangle$$

Since these two distributions assign the same scalar to every test function ϕ , they must be equal:

$$\nabla(\Delta f) = \Delta(\nabla f) + \hat{n} [f]^\pm \delta_\Sigma$$

Loosely speaking, $\nabla(\Delta f)$ consists of the "ordinary" gradient ∇f , which is well defined everywhere except on Σ , plus a delta function contribution on Σ arising from the discontinuity $[f]^\pm$. Generalization of differentiation in 1-d.



Ideal faint: a surface Σ in Φ across which there is a tangential slip discontinuity, $\Delta s = [s]^\pm$ satisfying $\hat{n} \cdot \Delta s = 0$ (no opening up or interpenetration).

The Hooke stress $\mathbf{T}_{\text{Hooke}} = C : \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = C : \boldsymbol{\delta s}$ does not exist everywhere, notably on Σ , as an ordinary function so we consider the associated distribution:

$$\mathbf{T}_{\text{Hooke}} = C : \nabla(\boldsymbol{\delta s})$$

$$T_{ij}^{\text{Hooke}} = C_{ijkl} \partial_k (\delta s_l) - \text{a singular distribution}$$

The true physical stress is, on the other hand, well defined everywhere. The associated distribution is regular:

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{T}_{\text{true}}) = C : \mathcal{D}(\boldsymbol{\delta s})$$

$$\mathcal{D}(T_{ij}^{\text{true}}) = C_{ijkl} \mathcal{D}(\partial_k \delta s_l)$$

The stress glint is defined by as a singular distribution

$$T_{\text{glint}} = \cancel{\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{T}_{\text{true}})} - \mathbf{T}_{\text{Hooke}} - \mathcal{D}(\mathbf{T}_{\text{true}})$$

$$= C : [\nabla(\boldsymbol{\delta s}) - \mathcal{D}(\boldsymbol{\delta s})]$$

$$= C : \cancel{\delta s \partial_\Sigma} \quad \text{long name - wrong units}$$

Define the stress glint density on Σ :

$$m = C : \delta s$$

$$m_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \frac{\nu}{\Delta s} \delta s_l$$

Then $T_{\text{glint}} = m \delta_\Sigma$ — confined to fault surface as expected

*and here
that's max²*

Quantity m also called moment tensor density.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{units of } m: \\ & \frac{\text{force} \times \text{distance}}{\text{area}} \\ &= \frac{\text{mN} \times \text{m}}{\text{m}^2} \\ &= \frac{\text{m}}{\text{m}^2} \end{aligned}$$

The product of a discontinuous function times a Dirac delta is not defined so we require that

*Ammermann &
Richter
BSSA
(2005)*

$[c]^\pm = 0$ — elastic parameters continuous across the fault Σ .

The equivalent body and surface force densities for an ideal fault are

$$f = -m \cdot \nabla \delta_\Sigma$$

$$t = (\hat{n} \cdot m) \delta_\Sigma$$

↑ normal to $\partial\Phi$, not Σ

Note that this is completely general, for dynamic, time-dependent faulting in an anisotropic Earth.

The moment tensor of an ideal fault is

$$M = \int_S T_{\text{glut, stat}} dV = \int_\Phi T_{\text{glut, stat}} dV$$

$$= \int_\Phi m \delta_\Sigma dV$$

$$M = \int_\Sigma m \downarrow d\Sigma$$

moment tensor/unit area

If the Earth is isotropic:

$$c_{ijkl} = \underbrace{\left(\kappa - \frac{2}{3}\mu \right) \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \mu (\delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \delta_{il} \delta_{jk})}_{\text{no contribution since } n_k \delta_{kk} = 0}$$

no contribution since $n_k \delta_{kk} = 0$

$$m = \mu \Delta s (\hat{n} \hat{e} + \hat{e} \hat{n}) \quad \text{where } \Delta s = s \hat{e}$$

↑ slip direction

on fault

The moment tensor in this case is

$$M = \int_S \mu \Delta s (\hat{n} \hat{e} + \hat{e} \hat{n}) d\Sigma$$

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If the fault ~~surface~~ surface is planar & the slip is uni-directional (\hat{n} & \hat{e} constant)

$$\mathbf{M} = M_0 (\hat{n} \hat{e} + \hat{e} \hat{n})$$

where $M_0 = \int_S \mu s \, d\Sigma$, the scalar seismic moment first defined by Aki

Note the fault plane - auxiliary plane ambiguity: cannot distinguish \hat{n} from \hat{e} .

For the largest events $M_0 \sim 10^{30}$ dyne-cm (10^{23} N-m)

e.g. 1964 Alaskan quake

$$\mu \sim 3 \times 10^{11} \text{ dyne/cm}^2$$

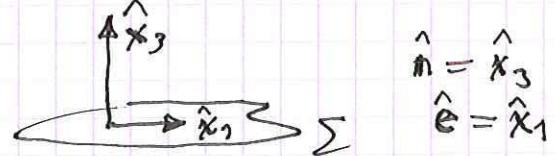
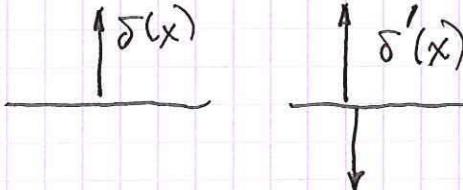
$$\bar{\Delta S} = 10 \text{ m}$$

$$A = 1000 \text{ km} \times 250 \text{ km}$$

$$M_0 \sim 7.5 \times 10^{29} \text{ dyne-cm (Kanamori)}$$

The equivalent point-source body force is a classical double couple: $f = -M \cdot \nabla \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_S)$

*this
do for
moment
density*

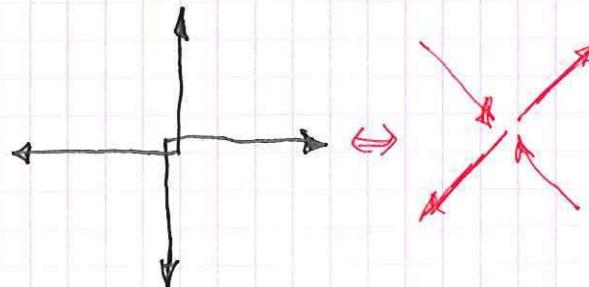


$$f_1 = -M_0 \delta(x_1) \delta(x_2) \delta'(x_3)$$

$$f_2 = -M_0 \delta'(x_1) \delta(x_2) \delta(x_3)$$

Then $M_{13} = M_{31} = M_0$
All other $M_{ij} = 0$

Note - obviously no net force or torque



More generally \mathbf{f} is a "distribution" of double couples over the fault surface Σ — this is an exact dynamical result for all frequencies & wavelengths.

Harvard CMT project: solves for \mathbf{M} as well as an updated location $\mathbf{x}_s + \Delta\mathbf{x}$, $t_s + \Delta t$.

In this case the acceleration response is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}, t) = & \sum_k \mathbf{M} : \mathbf{\varepsilon}_k(\mathbf{x}_s) \mathbf{s}_k(\mathbf{x}) \cos \omega_k(t - t_s) \\ & + \sum_k \Delta\mathbf{x} \mathbf{M} : \nabla \mathbf{\varepsilon}_k(\mathbf{x}_s) \mathbf{s}_k(\mathbf{x}) \cos \omega_k(t - t_s) \\ & + \sum_k \omega_k \Delta t : \mathbf{\varepsilon}_k(\mathbf{x}_s) \mathbf{s}_k(\mathbf{x}) \sin \omega_k(t - t_s) \end{aligned}$$

Linear inverse problem for \mathbf{M} , $\Delta\mathbf{x}$, Δt

Can be shown that the centroid shift ~~of the source~~

is given by:

$$\Delta\mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{M_0} \int_{\Sigma} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_s) \mu \mathbf{dS}_{\text{start}} d\Sigma$$

$$\Delta t = \frac{1}{M_0} \int_{\Sigma}^{\text{tf}} (t - t_s) \mu \partial_t \mathbf{dS} d\Sigma dt$$

Centroid of source
in space-time:

may differ from
source initiation
point.

To compare with near-field geodetic observations and for other reasons often seek best-fitting double couple source. The constraints

$$\text{trace } \mathbf{M} = 0$$

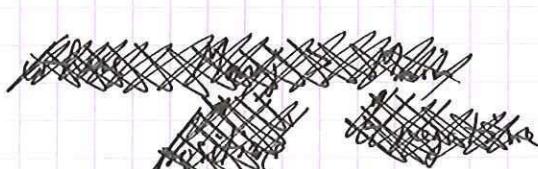
$$\det \mathbf{M}$$

guarantee this.

The first is linear & easily imposed - the second is not. Customary to impose trace $M = 0$ and find the best-fitting deviatoric tensor M' by fitting seismograms. Then find best-fitting M_{dc} by

$$(M_{dc} - M') \cdot (M_{dc} - M') = \text{minimum}$$

Solution found by diagonalization of M' :

$$M' = \begin{pmatrix} M_{maj} & & \\ & -M_{maj} - M_{min} & \\ & & M_{min} \end{pmatrix}$$


$$= \begin{pmatrix} M_{maj} & & \\ & -M_{maj} & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \\ & -M_{min} & \\ & & M_{min} \end{pmatrix}$$

major double couple
(best-fitting)

minor double couple

where $|M_{maj}| \geq |M_{min}|$

A measure of the amount by which M' deviates from a double couple is given by

$$\varepsilon = \frac{M_{max} + M_{min}}{\max(|M_{max}|, |M_{min}|)}$$

Then $\varepsilon = 0$ corresponds to a double couple and $-\frac{1}{2} \leq \varepsilon \leq \frac{1}{2}$ in general.

In the Harvard catalogue, 40% of the mechanisms are significantly non-double-couple $|\varepsilon| > \frac{1}{3}$. The most likely cause is curvature of the fault plane. Ekstrom (1994) shows that several can be associated with volcanic ring faults.