Supplementary Material

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In [11]: # This IPython notebook is a supplement to Hines & Hetland, "Rapid and
         # simultaneous estimation of fault slip and heterogeneous lithospheric
         # viscosity from postseismic deformation", submitted to Geophysical
         # Journal International in 2015
         # The json file for this IPython notebook can be found at
         # github.com/treverhines or by contacting the authors
         from sympy import init_session
         init_session(quiet=True)
         from __future__ import division
         import numpy as np
         import sympy as sp
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IPython console for SymPy 0.7.6 (Python 2.7.10-64-bit) (ground types: gmpy)

Inverse Laplace transform function

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The functions defined here are used to symbolically evaluate the inverse Laplace transform with the method described in Appendix A of the main text.

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In [12]: def ivt(uhat,s,n):
           Extension of the initial value theorem which computes the n'th
           derivative of u(t) evaluated at t=0 from the Laplace transform of
           u(t), uhat(s).
           This is eq. (A.5) in Appendix A
           PARAMETERS
             uhat: Laplace transform of u. This is a symbolic expression
               containing s
             s: Laplace domain variable
             n: the derivative order
           RETURNS
             u_n: symbolic expression for the nth derivative of u evaluated at
           if n == 0:
             expr = s*uhat
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u_0 = expr.limit(s,np.inf)
   return u 0
  elif n > 0:
   expr = s**(n+1)*uhat - sum(s**m*ivt(uhat,s,n-m) for m in range(1,n+1))
   u_n = expr.limit(s,np.inf)
   return u n
def ilt(uhat,s,t,N):
 Evaluates the inverse Laplace transform of uhat(s) through a Taylor
  series expansion
  This is a combination of eqs. (A.7) and (A.5) in Appendix A
  PARAMETERS
   uhat: Laplace transform of u. This is a symbolic expression
     containing s
   s: Laplace domain variable
    t: time domain variable
   N: order of the Taylor series expansion
 RETURNS
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   series: symbolic expression for the series expansion of the u(x)
     about x=0
  series = sum((ivt(uhat,s,n)*t**n)/sp.factorial(n) for n in range(N+1))
 return series
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2 Two-dimensional, two layered earthquake model

We consider a two-dimensional, two layered earthquake model. We demonstrate here that the initial rate of surface deformation resulting from viscoelastic relaxation is linear with respect to the fluidities of the two layers, regardless of whether the shear moduli are equal. We follow the same proceduce as in Section 2.1.1 in the main text but we do not assume that $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ We start with the elastic solution from Rybicki (1971).

2.1 Variables used

- x: distance from fault
- t: time
- D: locking depth of the fault
- H: thickness of the top layer
- mu1,mu2: shear modulus of the top layer and lower substrate
- phi1,phi2: fluidity (1/viscosity) of the top layer and lower substrate

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In [14]: # define shear moduli parameters
mu1,mu2 = sp.symbols('mu1,mu2')
# define viscosity parameters
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eta1,eta2 = sp.symbols('eta1,eta2')
# define fluidity parameters
phi1,phi2 = sp.symbols('phi1,phi2')
etainv1,etainv2,etainv3 = sp.symbols('eta1^-1,eta2^-1,eta3^-1')
# time, dummy variable for time integration, and Laplace domain parameter
t,theta,s = sp.symbols('t,theta,s')
# slip function. This needs to be explicitly defined and I define it
# here as one unit of slip throughout the postseismic period
b = 1
# dummy summation variable
n = sp.symbols('n')
# distance from the fault
x = sp.symbols('x')
# locking depth and upper layer thickness
D,H = sp.symbols('D H')
# number of terms to approximate the infinite series
nmax = 3
# W is eq. (3) in the main text and it is defined here as a function
# rather than an explicit expression for the sake of cleaner output
W = sp.Function('W')(n)
# eq. (4) in the main text
gamma = (mu1-mu2)/(mu1+mu2)
# eq. (2) in the main text. This describes the elastic surface
# displacements
u_e2 = b*(sp.Rational(1,2)*W.subs(n,0) + sp.summation(gamma**n*W,(n,1,nmax)))
# eq. (5) in the main text. The Laplace transform of equation 2
uhat_e2 = sp.laplace_transform(u_e2,t,s)[0]
# eq. (8) in the main text. These are the shear modulii in the Laplace
# domain for a Maxwell viscoelastic material. Note I am using fluidity
# instead of viscosity here
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mu1hat = s/((s/mu1) + phi1)
        mu2hat = s/((s/mu2) + phi2)
        # eq. (6) in the main text. This is the Laplace transform of the
        # viscoelastic surface displacements
        uhat_v2 = uhat_e2.subs(((mu1,mu1hat),(mu2,mu2hat)))
        # The following is the initial rate of surface deformation, which is
        # resulting from viscoelastic relaxation. The solution is long and we
        # substitute the terms with coefficients phi1 and phi2 with F1 and
        # F2, respectively, making it apparent that the initial rate of
        # deformation is indeed linear with respect to the fluidities
        # Print u_v2 after this line to see the solution without
        # substitutions
        u_v2_init_vel = ivt(uhat_v2,s,1)
        u_v2_init_vel = u_v2_init_vel.expand().collect((phi1,phi2))
        F1,F2 = sp.symbols('F1,F2')
        u_v2_init_vel = u_v2_init_vel.subs(u_v2_init_vel.coeff(phi1),F1)
        u_v2_init_vel = u_v2_init_vel.subs(u_v2_init_vel.coeff(phi2),F2)
        u_v2_init_vel
Out[14]:
                                     F_1\phi_1 + F_2\phi_2
In [15]: # If we assuming that the shear moduli are equal and take the
        # inverse Laplace transform then we recover eq. (10) in the text,
        # with the exception that b(t) is explicitly defined here
        u_v2 = ilt(uhat_v2.subs(mu2,mu1),s,t,2)
        u_v2
Out[15]:
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3 Two-dimensional, three layered earthquake model

We consider a three layered, two-dimensional viscoelastic earthquake model. We demonstrate the derivation of eq. (14) in the main text. We use the solution for the three layered elastic solution from Chinnery and Jovanovich (1972).

3.1 variables used:

- x: distance from fault
- t: time
- mu1,mu2,mu3: shear modulus for the top, middle, and bottom layer
- phi1,phi2,phi3: fluidity (1/viscosity) for the top, middle, and bottom layer
- h3,h2: thickness of the top and middle layer
- p: depth to the bottom of the fault. (down is positive)

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In [16]: # define shear moduli parameters
         mu3,mu2,mu1 = sp.symbols('mu3,mu2,mu1')
         # define fluidity parameters
         phi1,phi2,phi3 = sp.symbols('phi1,phi2,phi3')
         # time, dummy variable for time integration, and Laplace domain
         # parameter
         t,theta,s = sp.symbols('t,theta,s')
         # slip function. This needs to be explicitly defined and I define it
         # here as one unit of slip throughout the postseismic period
         b = 1
         # dummy summation variable
         M,N = sp.symbols('M,N')
         # distance from the fault
         x = sp.symbols('x')
         # locking depth
         p = sp.symbols('p')
         # eq. (13) in main text which is only expressed as a function for
         # cleaner output
         W = sp.Function('W')(M,N)
         # eq. iii from Chinnery and Jovanovich (1972)
         1_{max} = 2
         m_max = 2
         n_max = 2
               = (mu2 - mu3) / (mu2 + mu3)
         a1
         a2
               = (mu1 - mu2) / (mu1 + mu2)
         a3
               = -1
         b1
             = 2*mu3 / (mu3 + mu2)
              = 2*mu2 / (mu2 + mu1)
         b2
         b3
         d1 = 2*mu2 / (mu3 + mu2)
             = 2*mu1 / (mu2 + mu1)
         d2
         def P(1,m,n):
           N = sp.factorial(n+1) * sp.factorial(1+m-1)
           \label{eq:decomposition} D = sp.factorial(1) * sp.factorial(n) * sp.factorial(1-1) * sp.factorial(m)
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return N / D
         def (1,m,n):
           N = sp.factorial(n+1) * sp.factorial(1+m)
           D = sp.factorial(1) * sp.factorial(n) * sp.factorial(1) * sp.factorial(m)
           return N / D
         u = -b3*sp.Rational(-1,2)*W.subs(((N,0),(M,0)))
         for n in range(n_max):
           coeff = a2*b3*(-a2*a3)**n
           u \leftarrow coeff*W.subs(((M,0),(N,n+1)))
         for l in range(1,l_max):
           for m in range(m_max):
             for n in range(n_max):
                coeff = a2*b3*(-a1*a2)**m*(-a2*a3)**n*(-a2*a3*d2*b2)**1*P(1,m,n)
               u \leftarrow coeff*W.subs(((M,l+m),(N,l+n+1)))
         for l in range(l_max):
           for m in range(m_max):
             for n in range(n_max):
               coeff = a1*d2*b2*b3*(-a1*a3)**m*(-a2*a3)**n*(-a1*a3*d2*b2)**1*Q(1,m,n)
               u += coeff*W.subs(((M,l+m+1),(N,l+n+1)))
         u_e3 = sp.Rational(1,2)*b*u
In [17]: # This is the Laplace transform of the elastic displacements
         uhat_e3 = sp.laplace_transform(u_e3,t,s)[0]
         # define the equivalent shear modulii for a Maxwell viscoelastic body
         mu1hat = s/((s/mu1) + (phi1))
         mu2hat = s/((s/mu1) + (phi2))
         mu3hat = s/((s/mu1) + (phi3))
         # substitute the equivalent shear moduli into the Laplace transform of
         # the elastic displacements to get the Laplace transform of the
         # viscoelatic displacements
         uhat_v3 = uhat_e3.subs(((mu1,mu1hat),(mu2,mu2hat),(mu3,mu3hat)))
         # take the inverse Laplace transform to find the viscoelastic
         # displacements in the time domain. I am only expanding to the first
         # two terms. We recover eq. (14) in the main text if you note that
         # slip is explicitly defined, and the numbering of the layers is
         # reversed here.
         u_v3 = ilt(uhat_v3,s,t,1)
         u_v3
Out [17]:
              t\left(-\tfrac{\mu_1\phi_1}{2}W(0,1)+\tfrac{\mu_1\phi_2}{2}W(0,1)-\tfrac{\mu_1\phi_2}{2}W(1,1)+\tfrac{\mu_1\phi_3}{2}W(1,1)\right)+\tfrac{1}{2}W(0,0)
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4 Two-dimensional, two layered model with Burgers rheology

We consider a two-dimensional, two layered earthquake model which has a Burgers rheology. Specifically we demonstrate that an approximation for early displacements will have the same form as eq. (11) in the main text. If we assume that the Maxwell shear modulus in the Burgers model is equal to the shear modulus in eq. (11) then the difference between the two approximations is that the fluidities $(1/\eta_i)$ in eq. (11) are replaced with the sum of the fluidities for the Maxwell and Kelvin element $(1/\eta_i^k + 1/\eta_i^m)$. We extrapolate from this simple two layered example that the initial rate of deformation in a Burgers earthquake model with an arbitrarily discretized geometry is linear with respect to $(1/\eta_i^k + 1/\eta_i^m)$.

We once again start with the elastic solution from Rybicki (1971) and use the Correspondence Principle of Viscoelasticity to find the viscoelastic solution for a Burgers rheology.

4.1 Variables used

- x: distance from fault
- t: time
- D: locking depth of the fault
- H: thickness of the top layer
- mu1,mu2: shear modulus of the top layer and lower substrate in the elastic model
- muk1,muk2: Kelvin shear modulus for the top layer and lower substrate in the Burgers model
- mum1,mum2: Maxwell shear modulus for the top layer and lower substrate in the Burgers model
- etam1,etam2: Maxwell viscosity for the top layer and lower substrate in the Burgers model
- etak1,etak2: Kelvin viscosity for the top layer and lower substrate in the Burgers model

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In [20]: # define shear moduli for the elastic model
         mu1,mu2 = sp.symbols('mu1,mu2')
         # define kelvin shear moduli parameters
         muk1,muk2 = sp.symbols('mu_1^k,mu_2^k')
         # define maxwell shear moduli parameters
         mum1,mum2 = sp.symbols('mu_1^m,mu_2^m')
         # define kelvin viscosity parameters
         etak1,etak2 = sp.symbols('eta_1^k,eta_2^k')
         # define maxwell viscosity parameters
         etam1,etam2 = sp.symbols('eta_1^m,eta_2^m')
         # time, dummy variable for time integration, and Laplace domain
         # parameter
         t, theta, s = sp.symbols('t, theta, s')
         # slip function. This needs to be explicitly defined and I define it
         # here as one unit of slip throughout the postseismic period
         b = 1
         # dummy summation variable
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n = sp.symbols('n')
# distance from the fault
x = sp.symbols('x')
# locking depth and upper layer thickness
D,H = sp.symbols('D H')
# number of terms to approximate the infinite series
nmax = 3
# W is eq. (3) in the main text and it is defined here as a function
# rather than an explicit expression for the sake of cleaner output
W = sp.Function('W')(n)
# eq. (4) in the main text
gamma = (mu1-mu2)/(mu1+mu2)
# eq. (2) in the main text. This describes the elastic surface
# displacements
u_e2 = b*(sp.Rational(1,2)*W.subs(n,0) + sp.summation(gamma**n*W,(n,1,nmax)))
# eq. (5) in the main text. The Laplace transform of equation 2
uhat_e2 = sp.laplace_transform(u_e2,t,s)[0]
# These are the shear moduli in the Laplace domain for a Burgers
# viscoelastic material taken from Hetland and Hager 2005.
phi0 = 1
psi0 = 0
phi1 = etam1/mum1 + etam1/muk1 + etak1/muk1
psi1 = etam1
phi2 = (etam1*etak1)/(mum1*muk1)
psi2 = (etam1*etak1)/muk1
mu1hat = (psi0 + psi1*s + psi2*s**2)/(phi0 + phi1*s + phi2*s**2)
phi0 = 1
psi0 = 0
phi1 = etam2/mum2 + etam2/muk2 + etak2/muk2
psi1 = etam2
phi2 = (etam2*etak2)/(mum1*muk1)
psi2 = (etam2*etak2)/muk2
mu2hat = (psi0 + psi1*s + psi2*s**2)/(phi0 + phi1*s + phi2*s**2)
# We replace the shear moduli in the two layer elastic solution with
# the above shear moduli
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uhat_v2_burgers = uhat_e2.subs(mu1,mu1hat)
         uhat_v2_burgers = uhat_v2_burgers.subs(mu2,mu2hat)
          # For the sake of simplicity we will assume that mu_m1=mu_m2=mu1 and
          # mu_k1=mu_k2=mu2 (i.e. the Maxwell and Kelvin shear moduli are
          # homogenous)
         uhat_v2_burgers = uhat_v2_burgers.subs(mum1,mu1)
         uhat_v2_burgers = uhat_v2_burgers.subs(mum2,mu1)
         uhat_v2_burgers = uhat_v2_burgers.subs(muk1,mu2)
         uhat_v2_burgers = uhat_v2_burgers.subs(muk2,mu2)
          # compute the initial rate of displacement
         u_v2_burgers = ivt(uhat_v2_burgers,s,1)
         # It is evident from the the second term in the Taylor series of
         # displacement that the initial velocities have the same form as the
         # initial velocities when we assume a Maxwell rheology. The
         # difference is that (1/eta_i) is replaced with (1/eta_ki + 1/eta_mi).
         u_v2_burgers.expand()
Out [20]:
                            \frac{\mu_1}{2\eta_2^m}W(1)+\frac{\mu_1}{2\eta_2^k}W(1)-\frac{\mu_1}{2\eta_1^m}W(1)-\frac{\mu_1}{2\eta_1^k}W(1)
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