Thermodynamic consistent formulation for the multiphysics of a brittle ductile lithosphere: semi-brittle semi-ductile deformation and damage rheology

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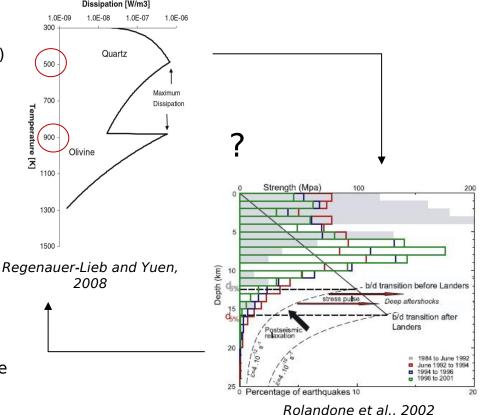


Motivations

Revisit the concept of crustal rheology

Classical EVP concept

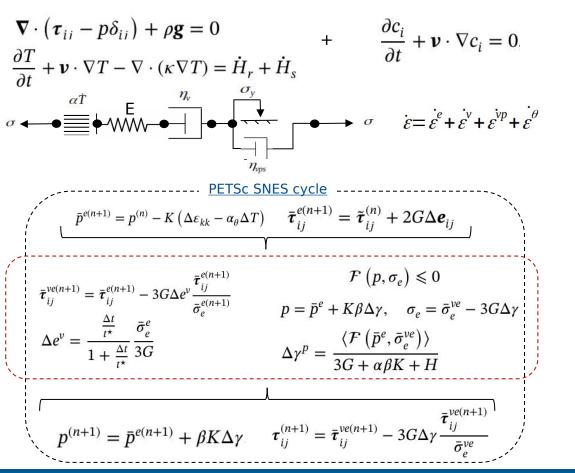
- Peak of stress@ BDT (maximum dissipation/entropy)
- No constraints on stored elastic strain (dissipative fluid behaviour)
- Sharp BDT (fast accomodation of dissipative deformation by thermal activated creep)
- Experimental evidence
- Semi brittle behavior @ mid-lower crustal & upper mantle conditions (Mancktelow and Pennacchioni, 2005)
- Dilatant rock behavior @ mid-lower crust T-P conditions (Fischer and Paterson, 1989, Violay et al., 2019)
- Transitional, transient semi-brittle/ductile domain due to the system thermodynamic evolution



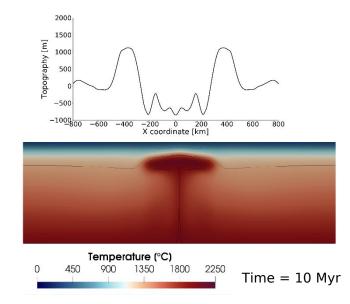


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Coupling of mantle plume with a EVP lithosphere



- Finite elastic strength leads to compressional and extensional stress accumulation
- Viscous weakening (relaxation) features in a decoupling in the middle crust and multiwavelength topography (basins)

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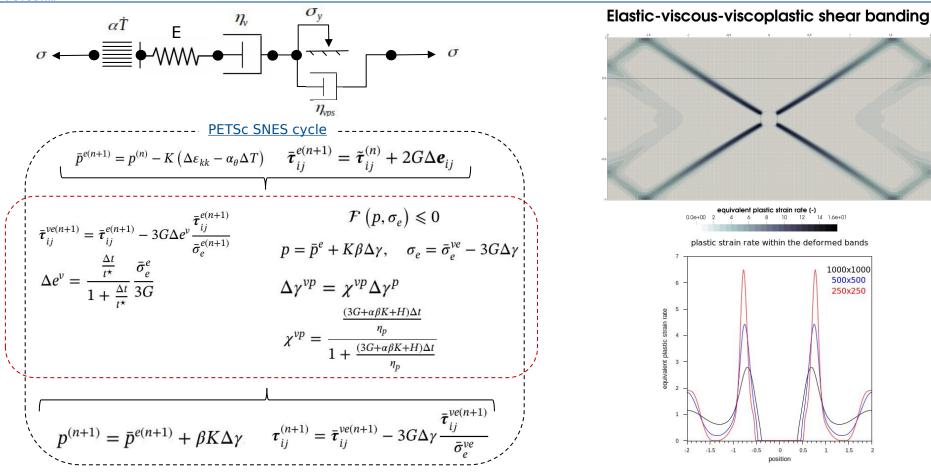


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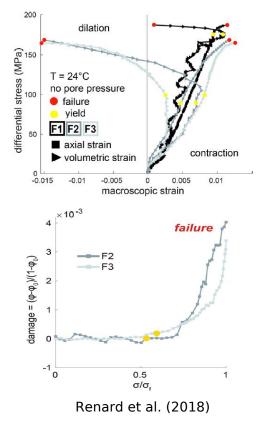
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Nonlinear dynamics for the BDT - some aspects

- Transition from brittle faulting to ductile flow controls by porosity evolution upon (quasi) dynamic loading
- Brittle failure associated with dilatancy, cataclastic flow can be sustained under compactive mode
- Microstructure evolution during loading is essential feedback mechanism for the macroscopic evolution
- Brittle failure of rocks (coalescence of microcracks) sensitive to strain rate and effective confining pressure
- Experimental evidence of transient (un)drained response of rocks even at creep loading
- Transient inelastic modes influence subcritical crack growth, precursory phase to earthquake rupture and/or volcanic edifice collapse, recovery of engineered reservoirs





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porous damage rheology - theoretical framework

Main governing equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\tau}_{ij} - (p' + \alpha_B p_f) \,\delta_{ij}) + \rho \boldsymbol{g} = 0 \\ \frac{1}{M_B} \frac{\partial p_f}{\partial t} + \alpha_B \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{kk}^e}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{kk}^{in}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{q}_D = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} - (\alpha_B - \phi) \left(\frac{(1 - \alpha_B)}{K} \frac{\partial p_f}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \varepsilon_{kk}^e}{\partial t} \right) - (1 - \phi) \frac{\varepsilon_{kk}^{in}}{\partial t} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \nabla T - \nabla \cdot (\kappa \nabla T) = \dot{H}_r + \dot{H}_s \\ \frac{\partial c_i}{\partial t} + \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \nabla c_i = 0. \end{bmatrix}$$

Thermodynamics of damage rheology

Helmholtz Free Energy (Lyakhovsky et al., 1993)

$$\begin{split} \Psi\left(\varepsilon_{ij}^{e},\alpha,\zeta,\varepsilon_{v}^{in}\right) &= \Psi_{dr}\left(\varepsilon_{ij}^{e},\alpha\right) + \Psi_{\phi}\left(\varepsilon_{ij}^{e},\zeta,\varepsilon_{v}^{in}\right) \\ \Psi_{dr}\left(\varepsilon_{ij}^{e},\alpha\right) &= \frac{1}{2}K\left(\alpha\right)\varepsilon_{v}^{e^{2}} + \frac{3}{2}G\left(\alpha\right)\varepsilon_{d}^{e^{2}} - \Gamma\left(\alpha\right)\varepsilon_{v}^{e}||\varepsilon_{ij}^{e}|| \\ \Psi_{\phi}\left(\varepsilon_{ij}^{e},\zeta,\varepsilon_{v}^{in}\right) &= \frac{1}{2}M_{B}\left[\alpha_{B}\varepsilon_{v}^{e} - \left(\zeta - \varepsilon_{v}^{in}\right)\right]^{2} \end{split}$$

$$\sigma_{ij} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \varepsilon_{ij}^{e}} = \frac{\partial \Psi_{dr}}{\partial \varepsilon_{ij}^{e}} + \frac{\partial \Psi_{\phi}}{\partial \varepsilon_{ij}^{e}} = \sigma'_{ij} - \alpha_{B} p_{f} \qquad p_{f} = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \zeta} = -M_{B} \left[\alpha_{B} \varepsilon_{v}^{e} - (\zeta - \varepsilon_{v}^{in}) \right]$$
$$\sigma'_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} + \alpha_{B} p_{f} = \bar{\sigma}'_{ij} - \alpha \sigma_{ij}^{\alpha}$$
$$\bar{\sigma}'_{ij} = K_{0} \varepsilon_{v}^{e} \delta_{ij} + 2G_{0} e_{ij}^{e} \qquad \sigma_{ij}^{\alpha} = \Gamma \left[\| \varepsilon_{ij}^{e} \| \delta_{ij} + (\xi - 2\xi_{0}) \varepsilon_{ij}^{e} \right]$$

 $\xi = \frac{\varepsilon_{\nu}^{e}}{\|\varepsilon^{e}\|}$ Elastic strain ratio [- $\sqrt{3}$; $\sqrt{3}$] ξ_{0} critical strain ratio (internal friction)

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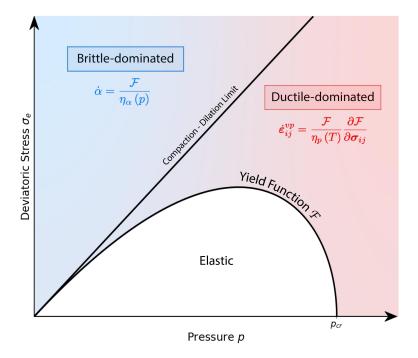
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porous damage rheology - flow laws and damage correction

Additive decomposition $\dot{\varepsilon} = \dot{\varepsilon}^e + \dot{\varepsilon}^v + \dot{\varepsilon}^{vp} + \dot{\varepsilon}^{\theta}$

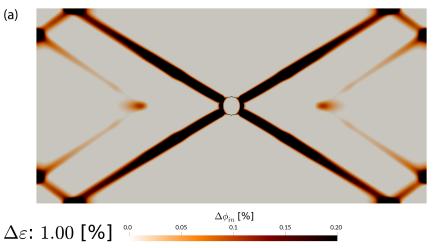
visco-plasticity + damage $\mathcal{F} = \sqrt{(\bar{p}' - \bar{p}'^0)^2 + (\bar{\sigma}_e - \bar{\sigma}_e^0)^2}$ $\dot{\varepsilon}_{ij}^{vp} = \dot{\gamma}^{vp} \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial \bar{\sigma}_{ij}}, \quad \dot{\gamma}^{vp} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle}{\eta_p}$ $\dot{\alpha} = \frac{\langle \mathcal{F} \rangle}{\eta_\alpha} = \frac{\eta_p}{\eta_\alpha} \sqrt{(\dot{\varepsilon}_v^{vp})^2 + (\dot{\varepsilon}_d^{vp})^2},$ $[\eta_p = \eta_p^0 \exp\left(\frac{Q}{RT}\right)$ $\eta_\alpha = \eta_\alpha^0 \exp\left(\frac{p_c}{p^\star}\right)$ Yield function (undamaged space)

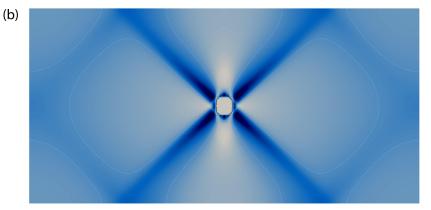


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Shear bands evolution under dilation (a) and compactant (b) mode





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	$\Delta \phi_{in}$ [%]					
$\Delta \varepsilon$: 2.00 [%]	-5.0	-4.0	-3.0	-2.0	-1.0	0.0

- increase in inelastic porosity
- localized deformation
- bands orientation at approx. 33°

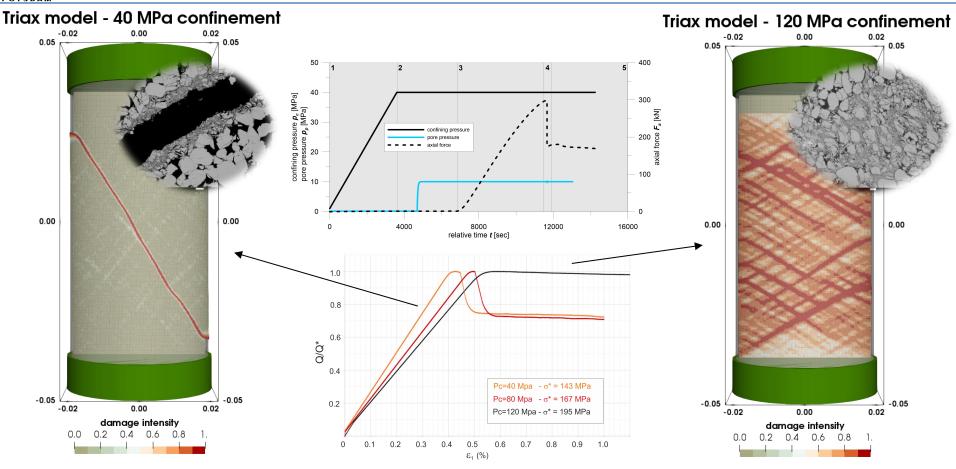
- decrease in inelastic porosity
- diffuse deformation
- bands orientation @ approx. 45°

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Drained triaxial setting - modelling results

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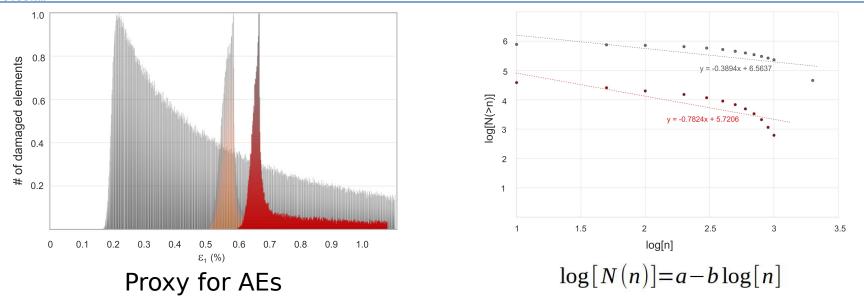


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Triaxial setting - ongoing modelling results

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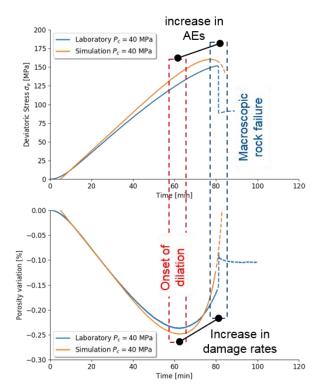
- High confinement ductile onset at inelastic stage, power law distribution (b-value ~ 0.3)
- Low confinement brittle power law, but macroscopic peak @ failure (b-value ~ 0.62-0.8)

similarities to Omori's law and rate and state frictional behaviour

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- Thermodynamic consistent framework for multiphysics at BDT conditions
- Frictional damage rheology == function to the state (p, T) and rates of deformation
- Self-promoting (porosity dependent) damage weakening on friction and capped yield
- Porosity evolution as precursor to run-away instabilities (though look at current work on brittle creep!)
- Across scale studies required linking to existing approaches and community build up:
 - Upscaling from strain rate dependency
 - Rate and state friction (see Lyhakovsky et al., 2005)
 - Long-term geodynamic approaches



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