transient rheologies for postseismic & interseismic models

for timescales of days-kyrs (postseismic-seismic cycle), not rupture timescales...

potential transient rheologies to consider:

- → transient viscoelastic rheologies (not σ dep)
- non-linear Maxwell viscosity (power-law flow)
- → stress-dependent fault slip (e.g., friction)
- → poroelasticity
- → plasticity
- → damage

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postseismic deformation in the Mojave



Freed and Bürgmann, 2004

post-Landers & Hector deformation can be described by non-linear viscous relaxation

BSRY North



Biviscous mantle

1.5

LDES North

1.5

Univiscous rheology Biviscous lower crust

WOMT North

post-Hector deformation may also be described by linear transient viscoelastic relaxation



1.5

avoiding scientific debates, postseismic deformation seems to require some transient rheologies

interseismic deformation may also require transient deformation

predictions of 2D interseismic models with only Maxwell viscoelasticity (Savage and colleagues, 1978, 1998, 2000)





postseismic deformation



to be complete, interseismic deformation models also need transient rheologies

viscoelastic transient rheologies



invoked for postglacial rebound (e.g., Yuen et al., 1986) and attenuation (e.g., Jackson et al., 2002)

simplest VE rheology with a recoverable transient phase:



J.M. Burgers, "Mechanical considerations – model systems – phenomenological theories of relaxation and of viscosity" (1939)

Jan Burgers (1895-1981) Dutch fluid dynamicist, most known for the "Burgers Equation", brother of the crystallographer W.G. Burgers.

Hetland, Hager, O'Connell (2002 - AGU)

Maxwell

Kelvin-Voigt

boundary

postseismic deformation with VE transient rheologies



interseismic deformation with VE transient rheologies

interseismic velocities decay rapidly early, slowly in late cycle

univiscous model biviscous model



η_M - 10²¹ Pa·sec,

 $\eta_K \approx 10^{19} \text{ Pa-sec}$

(Hetland et al, in prep.)



see also Hetland and Hager, 2005

story is not quite complete in the Mojave...

post-Hector deformation can also be described by **poroelasticity** and **after-slip** – both kinematic (Fialko, 2004)

poroelasticity 0-2.5 km depth





to describe time dependent deformation, available FEM rheologies should *also* include:

stress-dependent fault slip (e.g., rate-state friction, Marone et al., 1991 – more from Brad A.) **poroelasticity**, or rheologies

approximating effects of bulk (modulus) relaxation, i.e., something better than final minus initial elastic calculations



plastic rheologies, for instance:



Mohr-Coulomb



Cam-Clay

(clayey consolidation behavior, hardening/softening, volumetric elastic strain nonlinear with hydrostatic pressure, associated flow)



Druker-Prager (in tecton, soon in pylith?)



diagrams from Adina reference manual

damage rheologies

evolution of rock elastic moduli and strength due to rock damage (eg. increase in crack density) at increasing loads before failure – see papers by Ben-Zion, Hamiel, and Lyakhovsky

brittle failure

QuickTime™ and a TIFF (LZW) decompressor are needed to see this picture.

Hamiel et al., 2004

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Easy:

Hard: