







## Marine techniques for geodetic modelling

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## **Motivation**

#### Location of geodetic networks are mostly on land



International GNSS Service



Loveless and Meade, JGR, 2010

## **Motivation**

- Large amount of unexpected slip in trench for Tohoku earthquake
- Near surface slip is imporant for tsunami hazard





Satriano et al., 2014

Romano et al., 2014

## **Motivation**

• Need to identify locked and creeping patches on strike-slip faults

Difference 2014-2019

• Deformation on submarine volcanoes





Lange et al., 2019

Feuillet et al., 2021

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## Marine Geodesy

- Path Ranging: recorded time of flight between transponders
- Direct-path has a range of ~1km, indirect 5km
- Need to know uncertainity in speed of sound in water
- Resolution on the order of 1.5cm (direct) and 1-2cm (indirect)





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## Marine Geodesy

- GPS-A networks : acoustic ranging connects seafloor transponders to sea surface GPS
- Pressure sensors: change in water column height implies change in vertical displacement



Burgmann and Chadwell 2014

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## **Deployment**

- Temporary deployments require multiple sea campagins
- Permanent cabled networks are expensive







## **Distributed Strain Sensing**



Lindsey et al., 2020

Jousset et al., 2024

## BOTDR : Brillouin scatter

DTS (Distributed Temperature Sensing) / DSS (Distributed Strain Sensing) :

- measures long-term strain and temperature variation with spatial sampling from 1 m to several tens of metres
- at a sampling rate of +10 min with an accuracy of  $0.1^{\circ}C$  / 20 m $\epsilon$



## Geodetic Modelling

- Analytical solutions for dislocations
- Uniform slip at a point, across a rectange or triangle
- Method of images used to reproduce the earth's surface
- Provides rapid calculation of static displacement, strain and stress



## Geodetic Modelling

- Use the Nikkho and Walter's scheme as it removes a number of singularities and numerical instablities
- Singularities still exist on edge of triangles by definition



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#	Х	Y	Ζ	u (This paper)	<i>u</i> ′ (Meade 2007)	$\epsilon_{XX}$ (This paper)	$\epsilon'_{XX}$ (Meade 2007)
1	-1/3	-1/3	-3	0.0352311877319734	0.0352311877319732	0.0481047005255181	0.0481047005255181
2	-1/3	-1/3	-14/3	-0.509465745232405	-0.509465745232405	-0.244188978214975	-0.244188978214977
3	-1/3	-1/3	-6	-0.0450664903903138	-0.0450664903903139	0.0546831404832553	0.0546831404832554
4	7	-1	-5	-0.00230579292792908	NaN	0.000829157341339727	NaN
5	-7	-1	-5	0.00401472894583963	0.00401472894583941	0.00114439668841158	NaN
6	-1	-3	-6	0.00483219740842196	NaN	-0.00386292388925956	NaN
7	-1	3	-3	0.00261498816660580	0.00261498816660530	-0.00243788640223540	NaN
8	3	-3	-6	-0.00498017723062124	0.0498371783469113	0.000706397690338731	142952905402461
9	-3	3	-3	0.00469791958297159	0.00469791958297180	0.000211254167350266	0.00431126958717604
10	-1	-1	-1	0.00147786823004841	0.00147786823004838	0.00650800501584133	NaN
11	-1	1	-1	0.00374844575688324	0.447846746319388	0.000922452413344460	NaN
12	1	-1	-1	0.0166558386729541	-0.427442461889551	0.00441202690885827	NaN
13	-1	-1	-8	-0.00656347406353817	NaN	0.00330232019558791	NaN
14	-1	1	-8	-0.0105680479573571	NaN	0.00876398663844928	NaN
15	1	-1	-8	-0.00213929091658054	NaN	-0.000914111766849476	NaN

Nikkhoo and Walter, 2015

## Geodetic Modelling

• Caculate strain tensor in model

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

$$\epsilon_{rr} \epsilon_{rv} \epsilon_{rz}$$

Cable measures strain longitudially

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{xx} & \varepsilon_{xy} & \varepsilon_{xz} \\ \varepsilon_{yx} & \varepsilon_{yy} & \varepsilon_{yz} \\ \varepsilon_{zx} & \varepsilon_{zy} & \varepsilon_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\sigma_{ij}} \xrightarrow{$$

• Rotation for a 2nd Rank Tensor

 $\epsilon_{ij}' = R_z(\theta) \,\epsilon_{ij} \, R_z(\theta)^T$ 

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$$\epsilon_{rr} = \epsilon'_{xx}$$

## Cable response

- Model a left lateral strike-slip
- Dip : 90°
- 15km x 15km fault, 1m uniform slip
- Similar to M6.5
- Cable orientations are in relation to fault







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## **Cable response**

- Normal fault
- Dip: 60°
- 15km x 15km fault , 1m slip
- Similar to M6.5

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## Cable response

- Thrust fault
- Dip: 30°
- 15km x 15km fault , 1m slip
- Similar to M6.5

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## **Cable response: depth**

- Model a left lateral strike-slip
- Length: 20km Width : 5km, Slip : 1cm
- Dip : 90°
- Cable orientation at 60  $^{\circ}$  to fault trace
- Fault buried at 0.1m, 5km, 10km, 15km, 20km

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## What can we observe of the fault?

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## **Resolution Matrices**

What we have: 
$$d = Gm_{true}$$
  
Inverse solution:  $m_G = G^G d$   $m_G = G^G G m_{true}$ 

The Model Resolution Matrices:

 $\mathbf{R_m} = \mathbf{G^G}\mathbf{G}$ 

We want 
$$\mathbf{m}_{\mathsf{G}}$$
 =  $\mathbf{m}_{\mathsf{true}}$   $\longrightarrow$   $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{m}} = \mathbb{I}$ 

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# What might ranging/pressure sensors detect

- Strike-slip fault with 90° dip
  - Fault size: 30km x 15km
  - Element size: 1km

#### Ranging proxy

- change in distance between two points
- located at: 500m either side of fault trace Pressure proxy
- vertical displacement at surface
- located at: 50m, 100m, 250m, 500m from fault trace

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## What can the cable see?

- Strike-slip fault with 90° dip
  - Fault size: 30km x 15km
  - Element size: 1km
- Cable: sample every 5m
- Cable orientations with respect to fault trace: 90°, 45°, 10°

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## Thrust fault

- Thrust fault with 30° dip
  - Length: 30km Width: 15km
  - Cells size: 1km
- Pressure stations at distances from fault trace 500m, 1km, 2km, 4km, 6km
- Ranging position: located at: 500m either side of fault trace

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## What can the cable see?

- Thrust fault with 30° dip
  - Length: 30km Width: 15km
  - Cells size: 1km
- Cable orientations with respect to fault trace: 90°, 45°, 10°

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## Thrust fault with 30° dip Cable orientations : 45° Active single cells on the fault

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## **FOCUS Project**

- Measuring strain along METOC cable since May 2020
- Focus X1 (2020) :
  - layed custom cable with looped fibres
  - deployed geodetic ranging stations

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#### FocusX1 marine expedition: deployment 6-km-long cable

ROV cable laying system (plow/spool)  $\rightarrow$  8-10 mm cable (20cm burial)

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## **Modelled Resolution**

#### 500m cell size used

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# Resolution from Ranging

Resolution from Cable

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Sensitivity

## Modelled : Slip

• Predicted strain due to 4cm of dextral slip on 5km x 5km fault

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## Coupling of cable: check your work

### The dream

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## The reality (in places)

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## Coupling of cable

![](_page_29_Figure_1.jpeg)

Zhang et al., 2018

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# Coupling of cable

![](_page_30_Picture_1.jpeg)

![](_page_30_Figure_2.jpeg)

Gutscher et al., 2023

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## Issues: Cable response

• Tests at SMASH Lab in Ifremer using Luna interrogator

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## Near Shore cable signal

- Large surface deformation observed on land due to inflation and deflation of Etna during 2020-2021
- Raw BOTDR data shows similar large scale variation along the cable during same period.

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2022

Bruno et al.,

12 January 2021 - 15 February 2021

## **Diurnal Temperature**

$$\Delta f = \Delta \epsilon C^{F\epsilon} + \Delta T C^{FT}$$

$$C^{F\epsilon} = 0.049 \text{ MHz / } \mu \epsilon \qquad C^{FT} = 1.06 \text{ MHz / }^{\circ}\text{C}$$

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## Issues: Seasonal Temperature

Temperature at seafloor is simulated using the CMEMS model which accounts for sea surface temperature, salinity, wind provided by CMCC. Different colours represent different water depths, legend in meters.

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## **Issues: Temperature**

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## Near Shore cable signal

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- Strain time series at 2km down the cable
- In October 2020 see drop in strain at similar time as GNSS stations observe event
- BUT cable sees same drop a year later implying seasonal temperature variation

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## **Conclusions**

- Analytical modelling important tool in deployment design, particularly in understanding the response of non-standard instruments.
- Resolution matrices are useful in determing what can be observed of your model by the data given its geometry **but** they are dependent on the assumptions made

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## **Conclusions**

DSS is promising as it has the potential to provide high resolution data while piggybacking on other infrastrucutre (e.g., New Caledonia – Vanuatu SMART cable, Mayotte)

Howerver there are still issues to be better understood:

• accounting for temperature variations (Ramen, combined in version using Brillouin)

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- cable coupling with the seafloor
- understanding the effect of cable archeture on measurement

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