The Mw8.8 27-Feb-2010 Maule Earthquake: Researching pre-, co- and post-seismic deformation



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Seismic Cycle at Subduction Zones



INTER-TO PRE-SEISMIC PHASE OF THE MAULE EARTHQUAKE

Rupture Length of Great Historical Earthquakes (M>7.5)

Pichilemu-Concepción Seismic Gap (175 Years)

Seismogeneic Segmentation of Chilean Margin



2010 Maule earthquake slip correlates with pre-seismic locking of Andean subduction zone



THREE APPROACHES FOR ANALAZING COASTAL DEFORMATION AT SCALES OF DECADES

VERTICAL MOVEMENT OF COASTAL PLATFORMS

ANALYSIS OF TIDE-GAUGE TIME SERIES

SPATIO-TEMPORAL EVOLUTION OF SEISMICITY

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Punta Lavapie

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Punta Lavapié II, S-Ansicht; DGM-Raster=5 cm













- 1941 - 1961 - 1979 1992 - 1998







VERTICAL MOVEMENT OF COASTAL PLATFORMS



Preliminary results showing rapid subsidence since mid 90`s (10 times larger than global sea-level rise)



ANALYSIS OF TIDE-GAUGE TIME SERIES

Mareograms record sea-level variations due to a combination of ocean-atmospheric phenomena and land-level vertical movement of tectonic origin





SPATIO-TEMPORAL EVOLUTION OF SEISMICITY

Hugo Soto and Daniel Morales work Gutenberg-Richter Law

• *Frecuencia-magnitug* relationship for a set of earthquakes in a given time and volume





N: Number of earthquakes with magnitude > M

M: Magnitude

a: Rate of Seismicity

b: Slope of linear relationship

Mc: Magnitude of completness

b-value and degree of Coupling

• Schorlemmer et al (NATURE 2005)







Shear

Normal Low Stress



Reverse High Stress

SPATIO-TEMPORAL EVOLUTION OF SEISMICITY



COSEISMIC PHASE OF THE MAULE EARTHQUAKE

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Land-Level Changes Produced by the $M_{\rm w}$ 8.8 2010 Chilean Earthquake

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Litoral organisms dead and dried at 1.5-2 m above sea-level!!!!













Preferred Elastic Dislocation Model





Re-measuring GPS campaign points for co-seismic deformation





COSEISMIC HORIZONTAL DISPLACEMENT FROM CONTINUOUS AND CAMPAIGN GPS STATIONS



+ InSAR + Land-level changes from biomarkers

3D FEM with realistic geometries (Tassara and Echaurren, accepted GJI)









POST-SEISMIC PHASE OF THE MAULE EARTHQUAKE

POSTSISMIC DEFORMATION



Continuous GPS stations being served and processed at UDEC (Juan Carlos Baez)





Interseismic locking, co- and post-seismic slip with the same 3D FEM (Moreno et al., in prep)



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b-value 1 year after 27F

CONCLUSIONS

 Preliminary results of relative sea-level change due to tectonic loading of the megathrust fault (from analysis of coast-line advance on coastal terraces and tide-gauge time) suggest acceleration of crustal deformation 10-5 years before the 2010 Maule earthquake.

• This is consistent with an accelerated decrease of b-value (increase in seismic coupling) 5 years before the earthquake.

- These possible pre-seismic signal of crustal deformation must be confirmed with other methods: integrated analysis of TIGO time-series and satellite geodesy and gravity.
- Geodetic data (GPS-GNSS, InSAR, GRACE) complemented with seismicity data allow a clear characterization of crustal deformation due to the seismic cycle of the megathrust.
 Rich characterization of CO- and POST-SEISMIC processes improved by 3D Finite Element Modeling.

 Still lot of work to do and lot of knowledge to acquire from the Maule earthquake

MUCHAS GRACIAS!!!!



VIELEN DANK!!!!