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Growth kinematics of the Taiwan orogenic wedge: perspectives from the metamorphic history of the Slate Belt

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Orogenic accretionary wedges....

In classical theory, we expect:

In reality, we often encounter:





- angle $\delta = 2\beta \alpha$
- Front migration: Vf = -d(Wr)/dt
- If barycenter of the range load is half way between front and backstop: Vf ~ 2. Vr
- Forebulge migration: Vb = -d(Wr + Wb)/dt
- h_f accreted at the front and h - h_f underplated

- Incoming flux: Fin = (Vo Vf). h
- Erosional flux: Fout = Wr. e
- Balance between fluxes: d $A/{
 m dt}=F$ in Fout
- Steady state regime for foreland-orogen system: $Vb\,=\,Vf\,=\,Vr\,=\,0$

Figure 1. Schematic diagram defining the kinematic framework used for this study. All velocities are relative to the backstop and taken positive toward the backstop. See text for further details.

The orogenic wedge



Van Gool & Cawood, 1994

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Simoes & Avouac, 2006
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Classical style of structures observed in wedges grown by *frontal accretion*





The subducting / incorporated Chinese Continental Margin is highly irregular, may preclude the monopoly of a single detachment



Active convergence is mostly taken up along wedge boundaries, other than been evenly distributed





Avouac, 2003

FIG. 6. Particle trajectories in a steady-state critical accretionary prism subjected to erosion (Barr *et al.*, 1991). Horizontal surface velocities computed from Eq. (1) for h=15 km, W=200 km, $tg(\alpha + \beta) = 4\%$, and $V_0 = 20$ mm/year, and an erosion rate of 1.5 mm/year.





and Tukey, 1981; Good and square is Rb/Sr age all and Hansen, 1989 Chipan is located about 80 km east of deformation front. Shaded area on plot denotes range of acceptable fits; best fit is obtained for $\mu_b^+ = 0.16$.

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2. Left: Contou

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and Cheng (1986)

= 3.5 W

Right: Contou

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Fig. 9. Particle paths and corresponding temperature histories for material exposed at the surface of the orogen at 5 Ma in our preferred model. (a) Particle paths are shown as fine lines, and the mechanical model boundary is in bold. The predicted surface region exposing material that has been ductilely deformed is indicated. (b) Temperature histories for particles in (a). The maximum temperature reached by any particle is ~350°, consistent with constraints provided by the 40 Ar/39 Ar dating of Lo and Onstott (1995). See Video 3 for additional detail.



Wedge kinematics -role of underplating



en, 1989). Anomaly cau tween lat 23°N and 24.75°N

Exerts fundamental controls on structural and **metamorphic** configurations of the mountain belt Simoes et al., 2007



Figure 13. (bottom) Particle trajectories derived from our model for rocks presently at the surface along the northern transect. (top) Corresponding predicted and measured peak metamorphic temperatures with some of key structural observations. See Figure 7 for abbreviations.





Fig. 9. (Top) Trajectories of three rocks moving through the steady state temperature and mean solid pressure fields in the Taiwan wedge. (Bottom) Corresponding pressure-temperature-time trajectories of the same three rocks, with entering depths of 2, 4, and 6 km. The dots on both the particle and P-T-t trajectories represent 1-m.y. intervals. The rock entering at 6 km depth attains its maximum pressure P_{max} approximately 2 m.y. after it is accreted, whereas it does not attain its maximum temperature T_{max} until 3 m.y. after it is accreted. Barr & Dahlen, 1989

Simoes et al., 2007



Figure 15. Schematic map showing thermal metamorphism (RSCM temperatures) and (U-Th)/He ages on zircon over central Taiwan. Contours were drawn by laterally extrapolating the results obtained on the three transects investigated in this study (Figure 1). Note the laterally constant pattern over the Tananao basement in opposition to the N-S progressive exhumation of the HR units.

Barr & Dahlen, 1990



The **Basal Accretion** issue of Taiwan orogen

- Is it <u>Present</u>? If yes, then:
 - \rightarrow How did material enter the wedge through basal accretion, i.e. what kind/style of structures is responsible for the process?
 - **Where** is the underplating window(s)?
 - **When** has the process started and operated?
- Target for the investigation: Slate Belt of northern Taiwan
 - Cenozoic cover series of the continental margin, experienced definitely only the recent Penglai Orogeny
 - ✓ Contains complete orogen history in its collisional phase considering the time-space equivalence due to the southward propagation of the orogeny (Suppe, 1984)

Task 1

Task 2

Task 3

Task 1: structure

Task 1: Is it **present**? & **How** it operated?

Detailed thermal & metamorphic documentation across the northern Slate Belt

Construction of rock kinematic history by incorporating stratal/sedimentary basin constraints

Task 1: structure

How to distinguish? (via particle path / P-T history)

The dramatically different P-T-t path and hence metamorphic history between frontally & basally accreted materials



To resolve the detailed thermal structure within structure the meta-sediment regime... the carbonaceous detritus!

- Estimation of peak metamorphic temperature:
- Vitrinite reflectance (VR), useful from diagenesis to ~ 250-300°C
- Raman spectrum of carbonaceous materials (RSCM), quantitative estimates from ~200 to ~700°C
- Both records the irreversible graphitization of carbonaceous matters









Task 1: structure

Northern Cross-Island Highway transect











Task 1: structure















Passive margin configuration before convergence







Fig. 4. Contour map of the measured geothermal gradient of the PRMB and QDNB.



Kinematic history of the Hsuehshan Range meta-sediments exposed along the NCIH transect **Task 1: structure**

I Pre-orogen sedimentation

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-8 km deep Miocene Oligocene Eocene Consisted of the upper nappes of the Hsuehshan Range Initial folding (~1/3 present amplitude) before underplating

III Continued folding and exhumation following basal accretion



Further folding during retrograde path after been incorporated into the wedge

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Task 1: structure

≻ Fault-fold structure:

dominance of the Shihtsao and Tahan faults

Stratigraphic architecture: Stratigraphic architecture: correlation of Miocene strata from Foothills to the Hsuehshan Range; lateral facies changes within the Oligocene strata





Task 2: locality

Task 2: **Where** it operated?

 Along-strike comparisons within the Hsuehshan Range under the space-time equivalence of the Taiwan orogeny:
 N S thermal metamorphic pattern contrasts

 N-S thermal-metamorphic pattern contrasts,
 sedi. facies differences within the Hsuehshan Trough

Task 2: locality



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Fig. 3

Ryukyu

Central Cross-Island Highway transect





Task 2: locality



Choshui River transect



Figure 10. Geological map of the HR along the mid-Taiwan highway (Choushui river; see Figure 1 for location), modified from *Ho* [1988]. Structural data are from this study. RSCM temperatures are depicted by the blue to red circles. The unique zircon (U-Th)/He age (Tachien sandstone) obtained in this area is shown. **Beyssac et al., 2007**

Relatively lower in T, equivalent to the outer folds in CCIH transect

N-S discrepancies in Hsuehshan Range

- Lesser peak T in northern Paleogene sediments
- Dramatic eastward increase of peak T of Miocene sediments in the north
- Significantly lower apparent geothermal gradient in the north







Chen et al., 2011, Terra Nova



rifted Chinese Continental Margin

• The <u>Presence</u>, <u>Sites</u>, and the <u>Responsible Structures</u> for Basal Accretion in Taiwan pro-wedge are pinpointed, but <u>When</u>.....

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Syn-kinematic muscovite+corrensite growth aggregates along pressure solution seams in the meta-mafic-pyroclastics

Task 3: **When** it operated?

In-situ dating of syn-kinematic mineral growth fibers under comprehensive thermo-metamorphic constraints



Multiple thermal-chronologic gears

- RSCM (nearby sample): peak thermal state
- Whole-rock chemistry: protolith
- Zircon U-Pb dating: deposition & provenance
- Muscovite ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar in-situ spot fusion dating: *deformation age*
- Zircon & Apatite fission track dating: exhumation

Whole-rock chemistry

Sample Name	SiO2	TiO2	AI2O3	Fe2O3	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na2O	K2O	P2O5	Total
NCIHB1-1	36.54	3.43	14.37	10.28	0.16	9.05	11.59	2.07	0.94	1.27	89.69
NCIHB1-2	40.99	3.90	17.11	12.62	0.17	7.62	6.13	1.79	1.82	0.83	92.98
NCIHB2	48.59	2.36	15.14	12.23	0.08	5.87	4.36	2.19	1.47	0.15	92.43



Characteristics of early Miocene alkali basalt 公館期



Formed on the Oligo-Miocene boundary

Task 3: when Zircon U-Pb dates

Sample for ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar in-situ spot fusion dating









Complete (P-)T-t history



Link between thermal history and tectonic deformation?



Tectonic synthesis



To summarize....

- Basal accretion is the major mechanism of material influx in the Taiwanese orogenic wedge, with 1 underplating window under the Hsuehshan Range in prowedge side (another in E Central Range)
- Basal accretion started immediately after onset of collision, and continued to operate
- The Hsuehshan Range consists of nappes originated from various portions of the subducted/incorporated Chinese Continental Margin with different initial stratigraphic positions, burial-exhumation history, and grade of metamorphism

Thank you for your attention!

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ABSTRACT

Vitrinite reflectance and Raman spectroscopy of carbonaceous material data are used to better resolve the thermal history of the Hsuehshan Range, which is accreted between the foreland fold-thrust belt and bulldozer hinterland units in the Taiwan mountain belt. The observed thermal data indicate that the strata in the northern Hsuehshan Range underwent dynamic metamorphism during the Neogene orogeny, while the strata in the southern Hsuehshan Range may have predominantly experienced burial metamorphism during Palaeogene sedimentation. Based on the thermal constraints, the Hsuehshan Range is interpreted to consist of nappe stacks, originating from the rifted Eurasian continental margin. This interpretation is consistent with well-documented cases in the European Alps and the Himalayas and is also shown in physical modelling and thermo-kinematic studies invoking underplating and erosion processes.

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Few concluding thoughts

- The Hsuehshan Range consists of nappes originated from various portions of the subducted/incorporated Chinese Continental Margin with different initial stratigraphic positions, burialexhumation history, and grade of metamorphism
- The resultant nappe stacking structure of the range highlights the significance of underplating/basal accretion in the dynamics of the Taiwanese orogenic wedge, which shapes the mountain belt simultaneously with surface erosion and frontal accretion
- Deformation of the underplated material occurred both before and after basal accretion, suggesting continued shortening in the interior part of the wedge
- Carbon geothermometers can be useful tools in understanding kinematics within orogenic belts, as the VR is more suitable for diagenetic-grade rocks and RSCM for slaty and schistose rocks