# **Geodesy-deduced thrust** kinematics of large earthquakes in various tectonic environments

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## Outline

- Introduction
- Case Study :
  - -Wenchuan Earthquake
  - -Chi-Chi Earthquake at Tsaotun
  - –Western Solomon Islands
- Conclusion

### Introduction

• Earthquake :

Rupture, Deformation  $\rightarrow$  Hazard Fault Slip  $\rightarrow$  Asperity, Barrier

Geodetic Measurement, Seismic Observation

• Fault Geometry, Seismogenic Behavior

### Introduction

- Co-seismic Displacement
  - –Wenchuan Earthquake
  - -Chi-Chi Earthquake at Tsaotun

Inter-seismic Displacement
Western Solomon Islands

### Fault behavior of the Longmenshan fault: deduced from the coseismic horizontal displacements derived from SPOT imagery for 2008 **Wenchuan Earthquake**

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## **Cosi-Corr on SPOT Image**

- Wenchuan Earthquake
- Near-rupture Coseismic Displacement
  - -Cosi-Corr
    - Pre-EQ & Post-EQ SPOT images
- Fault Slip Model
  - -Dislocation Model
    - Surface Displacement & Fault Geometry

### **COSI-Corr**



- Co-registration of Optically Sensed Images and Correlation
- Measuring ground deformation using optical satellite and aerial images
- COSI-Corr is a software module developed at the California Institute of Technology and integrated in ENVI



From https://www.satimagingcorp.com/

**Bourke**, 1996



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ii = -Ni/2

jj = -Nj/2

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1 pixel : 5m Window Size : 80 ~ 1280 m **Step : 80 m SNR : 0.98** 101 2 Surface ruptures were modified by Yu et al., 2010 and our results.



Overlay Enhance Tools Window

#### IDL

File Options View

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### Calculate Parallel and Perpendicular Offset



Stack Length : 12 Km Stack Width : 4 km Near-Fault Width : ~800 m





Offset (cm)





Offset (cm)





#### Latitude (°)



## Summary

- Continuous Near-rupture Horizontal Displacement
  - Parallel and Perpendicular Component
  - Distribution of Offset
  - Correlation between Beichuan and Hanwang Ruptures

### • Fault Slip Model

-Asperities on Beichuan and Pengguan Faults

### **Coseismic thrusting and folding in** the 1999 Mw 7.6 Chi-Chi **Earthquake: A high resolution** approach by aerial photos taken from Tsaotun, Central Taiwan Yu-Ting Kuo<sup>1</sup>, Francois Ayoub<sup>2</sup>, Sébastien Leprince<sup>2</sup>, <sup>\*</sup>Yue-Gau Chen<sup>1</sup>, Jean-Philippe Avouac<sup>2</sup>, J. Bruce H. Shyu<sup>1</sup>, Kuang-Yin Lai<sup>1</sup>, Yu-Ju Kuo<sup>3</sup>

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## **Cosi-Corr on Aerial Photo**

- Chi-Chi Earthquake at Tsaotun
- High-resolution Surface Displacement
- Estimation of Vertical Displacement
- Fault Geometry





Anticline



Fault





ruptures

**1999 surface** 

- ALF Ailiao fold scarp
- CHF Changhua fault
- **CLPF** Chelungpu fault
- STF Shuangtung fault







## Result I

- Orthorectification:
  - Pre-earthquake:
    - Pre-eq DEM
    - GCPs RMS ≈ 0.9 pixel
  - Post-earthquake:
    - Pre-eq DEM
    - GCPs RMS ≈ 0.6 pixel
  - Orthoimage : 1 m
- COSI-Corr
  - Window Size : 128 (m) \*128 (m)
  - Step : 16 (m)











 $\beta$ : The depression angle from right flight channel

### **Result II**

- Orthorectification:
  - Pre-earthquake:
    - Pre-eq DEM
    - GCPs RMS ≈ 0.9 pixel
  - Post-earthquake:
    - Post-eq DEM
    - GCPs RMS ≈ 0.6 pixel
  - Orthoimage : 1 m
- COSI-Corr
  - Window Size : 128 (m) \*128 (m)
  - Step : 16 (m)





Dominguez et al., 2003







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264.5 264.6 264.7 264.8 264.9 265 265.1 265.2 265.3 265.4 265.5 EW UTM Zone 51 coordinates (Km)






### Fault? Fold?

























#### **Pre-earthquake**

### 1/5000 Topo-map

#### **Post-earthquake**









From Kuo et al., 2014

# Summary

• Estimation of vertical displacements

More detailed and accurate measurement

• Features of movement

• Various angles of fault plane

• The detailed fault geometry

# Characteristics on fault coupling along the Solomon megathrust based on GPS observations

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# **GIPSY- OASIS on GPS**

- Wertern Solomon Islands
- Crust Deformation

-GIPSY-OASIS

• GPS data from 2011-2014

• Back Slip Model

-Dislocation Model



















### **GPS Network and Processing**





ITRF2008 - PAP







### **Asperity and Barrier on the Megathrust**



### **Earthquake Scenario Estimation**

#### **From USGS**



### Summary

- Annual rate from GPS network
- Different Inter-seismic Coupling Ratios
- Asperity and Barrier
- Estimation of Earthquake Scenario

# Conclusion

- This study tested a few different methods to diagnose the fault kinematics and related rupture behaviors.
- It demonstrates utilizing the optical imageries, such as satellite and aerial photos, can provide continuous horizontal displacements in a large seismic event.
- The detailed fault geometry can be reconstructed by synthesized net slips from vertical and horizontal displacements.
- By the fault geometrical model, the characteristics of the rupture behavior can be simulated.
- The continuous-mode GPS data can be used to recognize the situations of the slip coupling on the fault plane beneath.

### Thanks for your attention



### **Future Study**



### **Future Study**

- The behavior and geometry of seismogenic structure and landslide
- Location? Ground deformation? Area? Geometry? Behavior?
- Spatial : SAR, optical imagery
- Temporal : seismograph, GPS
- Joint inversion
- Automatic identification by system




#### Liu-Zeng et al., 2009





Tong et al., 2010



Xu et al., 2009



Shen et al., 2009



#### Tong et al., 2010







#### Shen et al., 2009



Feng et al., 2010

#### Question

Near-Fault Coseismic Displacements?

• Fault Geometry?

• Slips of Pengguan Fault?



104°30'E

MIANZHU

25

50 — Km

105°E

Vertical (cm)

Offset (cm)

103°30'E

31°N

104°E













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	No.	Coseismic slip amplitude (m)	Secular rate (GPS) (mm/yr)	Secular rate (Geol) (mm/yr)	Recurrence time (GPS) 1000 years	Recurrence time (Geol) 1000 years
	Northern	2.1	0.8		2.6	
	Southern	2.8	2.2	1.2	1.3	2.3
2	Pengguan	1.5		0.2		7.5

Secular rate from Shen et al., 2009

N.IE

MIANZHU

31°N

103.30E

N.0E.ZE

2

104°E

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# **Surface Rupture**



Result from SPOT 4 **Pixel : 10m** Windows Size : 16\*16 pixels ( If Error >3m) 32\*32 64\*64 Step : 16 pixels



**Result from SPOT 4** GPS & Skol 10m June 10 (If Error >3m) 32\*32 64\*64



# **Key Points**

- We deployed the first continuous GPS network at the Western Solomon Islands since 2011.
- GPS record reveals significantly different interseismic coupling ratios between two adjacent segments on the Solomon megathrust.
- We identify a semipermanent asperity and a potential barrier to rupture, each corresponding to the subduction of geological features.

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## Introduction

- Geological feature (ridge, seamount, etc.) <-> Segmentation boundary
- Not many studies in this area
- 2007 & 2010 events



## Introduction (Purpose)

- To monitor the crust deformation associated with the postearthquake slip on the Solomon megathrust, we installed 10 continuous Global Positioning System stations on the Western Solomon Islands.
- In this paper, we present the GPS time series and secular velocities from 2011 to 2014 in the IGS08 reference frame with respect to the Pacific Plate.
- We compare our interseismic coupling pattern with the slip distribution and aftershocks of the 2007 and 2010 earthquakes and discuss the relationship between the current coupling pattern and the megathrust rupture patches.

From Kuo et al., 2016



### **Tectonic Setting**





### The 2007 and 2010 Earthquakes



### The 2007 and 2010 Earthquakes



#### **GPS Network and Processing**



## Discussion

- Asperity and Barrier on the Megathrust
- Earthquake Scenario Estimation

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## Conclusion

- Our GPS measurements from 2011 to 2014 reveal a spatially variant slipcoupling pattern for the 2007 and 2010 earthquake corresponding megathrust segment.
- After synthesizing the prominent coseismic slip patch, aftershock distribution and even paleogeodetic records, we conclude that the high coupling patch on the 2007 rupture related segment probably represents a semipermanent asperity developed on the megathrust, whereas the currently low coupling patch on the 2010 rupture related segment perhaps shows only the signal of a seismic barrier.
- The location of the asperity and the barrier correlate with subducting oceanic crust bathymetric features, while the exact controlling mechanism remains unknown.
- The inferred characteristic earthquake scenario for the study area can be hypothesized as a single or doublet earthquake with magnitude no less than Mw 8 in a recurrence interval of 100 or more years.

 $M_0 = \mu AD$  (Aki, 1966)  $M_w = 2* \log_{10}(M_0)/3-10.7$  (Kanamori, 1977)



From Kuo et al., 2016

#### **Asperity and Barrier**

It is generally observed that large earthquakes consist of subevents, relatively compact patches with locally large slip, known as 'asperities'. The term "seismic asperity" was first defined by *Kanamori* [1978] to explain "geometrical asperities, heterogeneities from the frictional strength or a mixture (of both)" on the fault plane. A complementary idea is that of a "barrier" defined as the region that will not fail during the main shock [*Das and Aki*, 1977; *Kanamori*, 1986].









