

# **THEORETICAL SEISMOLOGY**

## **Part I Seismic sources**

### **1. Faulting**

Rupture process. Faults and their geometry. Strike, dip, rake and slip  
Brittle deformation and stresses. Tensile cracking. Shear fracture and Coulomb criterion  
Frictional sliding. Byerlee's law  
Stresses and faulting. Stress cycle & Stick slip

### **2. Faults and their representation**

Elastodynamic basic theorems  
Elastodynamic Green function  
Representation theorem

### **3. Faults and body forces**

Equivalent body forces  
Moment density tensor  
Shear Dislocation Far source condition. Moment tensor. Seismic moment.  
Double couple. Faults and moment tensor components  
Application to a specific case

### **4. The elastodynamic Green function**

Impulse response & Transfer function. Transformed domain. Convolution theorem  
Spherically symmetric problem. Lamè theorem  
GF in a isotropic and homogeneous medium. Near and far field  
Response to a double-couple. Near, intermediate and far field

### **5. Focal mechanisms**

Faulting and radiation pattern  
Basic fault plane solutions  
Faults and plates

## **Part II Earthquakes and their measurement**

### **6. Source spectrum**

Extended faults. Haskell model.  
Rupture time. Directivity  
Source spectra. Omega square model

## **7. Principles of seismometry**

Seismometry. Inertial instruments  
Mechanical and electromagnetic instruments. Response curves  
Digital signals; sampling & dynamic range  
Broad band instruments; Feedback & Force balance  
Strong motion. Seismic noise

## **8. Intensity and magnitude measurements**

Intensity  
Magnitude.  $M_L$ ,  $m_b$ ,  $M_S$ . Saturation  
Similarity conditions: geometric and dynamic  
Moment Magnitude

## **9. Viscoelasticity**

Rheology. Viscoelasticity  
Viscoelastic models: Maxwell, Kelvin-Voigt  
Standard Linear Solid. Complex moduli

## **10. Seismic attenuation**

Intrinsic Attenuation:  $Q$  of the Earth  
Intrinsic Dispersion

## **Part III Hazard and Tsunami Physics**

### **11. Seismic Hazard**

Hazard and risk  
Source and site effects  
Seismic Hazard.

### **12. Tsunami physics and hazard**

Long Gravity waves. Excitation by seismic sources  
Tsunami modeling  
Tsunami hazard