10. PRINCIPAL STRAINS

I Main Topics
   A Inverses and transposes of rotation matrices
   B Principal strains for irrotational deformation
   C Principal strains for rotational deformation
   D Key points for geologic applications
   E Recap

II Inverses and transposes of rotation matrices
   A The inverses of rotation matrices $[R]$ are their transposes
   B $[R]^T = [R]^{-1}$
   C Proof is based on the fact that vectors maintain their length (and the square of their length) when the reference frame rotates

D Proof
   $X' \cdot X' = X \cdot X$
   $X' = RX$
   $RX \cdot RX = X \cdot X$
   $[RX]^T[RX] = [X]^T[X]$
   $[X]^T[R]^T[R][X] = [X]^T[I][X]$
   $[R]^T[R] = [I]$
   $[R]^{-1} = [I]$
   $[R]^T = [R]^{-1}$

Vectors in primed and unprimed frames
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III Principal strains for irrotational deformation

A Unit circles deform into strain ellipses/ellipsoids

B F-matrix is symmetric

C Principal stretch ($L_f/L_0$) magnitudes are eigenvalues of F-matrix

D Principal strain ($\Delta L/L_0$) magnitudes are eigenvalues of $J_u$-matrix

E Principal directions are eigenvectors of F-matrix

F Principal axes do not rotate during deformation

The axes referred to here as “principal strain axes” should probably be referred to as “principal elongation axes”

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V Examples

D Uniaxial shortening

$$
\begin{bmatrix}
\begin{array}{c}
\Delta x' \\
\Delta y'
\end{array}
\end{bmatrix}
= 

\begin{bmatrix}
1 & 0.5 \\
0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta x \\
\Delta y
\end{bmatrix}

\begin{bmatrix}
\begin{array}{c}
u \\
v'
\end{array}
\end{bmatrix}
= 

\begin{bmatrix}
0 & 0 \\
0 & -0.5
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
\Delta x \\
\Delta y
\end{bmatrix}

\begin{bmatrix}
\begin{array}{c}
\varepsilon_x \\
\varepsilon_y
\end{array}
\end{bmatrix}
= 

\begin{bmatrix}
0.5000 & 0 \\
0 & -0.5000
\end{bmatrix}

\begin{bmatrix}
1.0000 & 0 \\
0 & 0
\end{bmatrix}
$$
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DISPLACEMENT & DEFORMATION GRADIENTS

**Examples**

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Deformation gradient tensor \( \mathbf{F} \)

Displacement gradient tensor \( \mathbf{J} \)

Principal stretch \( (L_i/L_0) \) magnitudes are eigenvalues of \( \mathbf{F} \)-matrix

Principal strain \( (\Delta L/L_0) \) magnitudes are eigenvalues of \( \mathbf{J}_u \)-matrix

\[ \varepsilon = S - 1 \]
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V  Principal strains for rotational deformation
   A  \([F]\) transforms unit circle into strain ellipse
   B  \([F]^{-1}\) transforms strain ellipse into unit circle
   C  \([F]^{-1}\) also transforms unit circle into reciprocal strain ellipse
   D  The rotation describes the angular difference between the retro-deformed strain axes (solid blue) and the axes of the reciprocal strain ellipse (red in lower row)

9. Strain and Eigenvectors

IX  Symmetric and non-symmetric matrices
   B  If \([F]\) is not symmetric, then vectors that \(F\) operates on that \textit{don’t} rotate (e.g., a horizontal vector at right) are not necessarily the longest and shortest
IV. Principal strains for rotational deformation

A. Unit circles deform into strain ellipses/ellipsoids
B. F-matrix is non-symmetric
C. Eigenvalues of F-matrix are directions of lines that do not rotate (in example to right, a line parallel to the x-axis), but they don’t give the axes of the strain ellipse
D. Eigenvectors of F-matrix are not perpendicular
E. Principal strain axes do rotate during deformation

\[ F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \]

G. \( C = F^T F \) and \( B = F F^T \) are symmetric, as are \( \sqrt{C} \) and \( \sqrt{B} \).
9. Strain and Eigenvectors

IX Symmetric and non-symmetric matrices
C Treatment for non-symmetric $F$
1 Start with the definition of quadratic elongation $Q$
2 Express using dot products
3 Clear the denominator

\[
\frac{L_i^2}{L_0^2} = Q
\]
\[
\frac{\bar{X}' \cdot \bar{X}'}{\bar{X} \cdot \bar{X}} = Q
\]
\[
\bar{X}' \cdot \bar{X}' = (\bar{X} \cdot \bar{X})Q
\]
9. Strain and Eigenvectors

IX Symmetric and non-symmetric matrices

D General Case

1. Since \([F^T F]\) is symmetric, the principal quadratic elongations are perpendicular.

2. The principal stretches are the square roots of the principal quadratic elongations (Q); they are the square roots of the eigenvalues of \([F^T F]\).

3. The directions of the principal quadratic elongations (Q) and principal stretches (S) are the same; see Lab 9 lecture, slide 38.

4. The axes of principal strain rotate.

\[
\begin{bmatrix} F^T F \end{bmatrix} [X] = Q [X]
\]

\[
Q = \frac{L_i^2}{L_0^2}; S = \frac{L_i}{L_0} \Rightarrow \sqrt{Q} = S
\]

F generally is not symmetric

\[
\begin{bmatrix} F \end{bmatrix} [X] = S [X]
\]

9. Strain and Eigenvectors

IX Symmetric and non-symmetric matrices

E Special Case: \([F]\) is symmetric

1. \([F^T F] = [F^2]\) because \(F = F^T\)

2. The principal stretches (S) again are the square roots of the principal quadratic elongations (Q) (i.e., the square roots of the eigenvalues of \([F^2]\)).

3. The principal stretches (S) also are the eigenvalues of \([F]\), directly.

4. The directions of the principal stretches (S) are the eigenvectors of \([F]\), and of \([F^T F] = [F^2]\)!

5. The principal axes do not rotate.

\[
\begin{bmatrix} F^T F \end{bmatrix} [X] = Q [X]
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix} F^2 \end{bmatrix} [X] = Q [X]
\]

\[
Q = \frac{L_i^2}{L_0^2}; S = \frac{L_i}{L_0} \Rightarrow \sqrt{Q} = S
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix} F \end{bmatrix} [X] = S [X]
\]

F is symmetric

\[
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\]

F is symmetric
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IV Principal strains for rotational deformation

H Polar decomposition theorem

[F] can be decomposed into the product of a rotation matrix [R] and an irrotational symmetric stretch matrix ([U] or [V]); this is stated here without a proof (see Malvern, 1969, p. 174)

I [F] = [R][U]
Stretch by [U], followed by a rotation [R]

J [F] = [V][R]
rotation by [R], followed by a stretch by [V]

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IV Principal strains for rotational deformation (cont).

[C] = [F^T] [F] = [RU]^T[RU] [B] = [F] [F^T] = [VR] [VR]^T
[C] = [U^T] [R^T] [R] [U] [B] = [V] [R] [R]^T [V]^T
[C] = [U^T] [I] [U] [B] = [V] [I] [V]^T
[C] = [U] [U]=[U^2] [B] = [V] [V]=[V^2]
[U] = [C]^(1/2) [V] = [B]^(1/2)
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IV Principal strains for rotational deformation (cont).

- Since $F = RU$, the rotation is then found as $R = FU^{-1}$, or since $F = VR$, $R = V^{-1}F$
- Unit eigenvectors of $C$ match unit eigenvectors of $U$ (see wikiuniversity)
- Unit eigenvectors of $B$ match unit eigenvectors of $V$ (see wikiuniversity)
- Square roots of eigenvalues of $C$ give the stretch of the axes described by $U$ (see wikiuniversity)
- Square roots of eigenvalues of $B$ give the stretch of the axes described by $V$ (see wikiuniversity)

**Examples**

Simple shear strain

$$ F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} $$

$$ C = F^T F $$

$$ B = F^* F' $$

$$ [vc, dc] = \text{eig}(C) $$

$$ [vb, db] = \text{eig}(B) $$

$$ F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} $$

$$ C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} $$

$$ B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} $$
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Example with vr_decomp

\[ F = VR \]

\[
A = \begin{bmatrix}
2 & 1 \\
0 & 1 \\
\end{bmatrix} \\
\]

Deformation gradient matrix \[ F = [V][R] \]

Symmetric component \[ [V] \]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
2.2136 & 0.3162 \\
0.3162 & 0.9487 \\
\end{bmatrix} \\
\]

Rotation matrix \[ [R] \]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
0.9487 & 0.3162 \\
-0.3162 & 0.9487 \\
\end{bmatrix} \\
\]

Eigenvalues of \[ [V] \]

\[
2.2882 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0.8740 \\
\]

Eigenvectors of \[ [V] \] (in columns)

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
0.9732 & -0.2298 \\
0.2298 & 0.9732 \\
\end{bmatrix} \\
\]

Eigenvalues of inverse of \[ [V] \]

\[
2.2882 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0.8740 \\
\]

Eigenvectors of inverse of \[ [V] \] (in columns)

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
0.9732 & -0.2298 \\
0.2298 & 0.9732 \\
\end{bmatrix} \\
\]

\[
V = \sqrt{m(F^TF)} \\
\]

Eigenvectors of \[ [V] \] (red, upper right) give directions of axes of strain ellipse.

Eigenvectors of \[ [V^{-1}] \] (red, lower right) give directions of axes of reciprocal strain ellipse.

Example with vr_decomp

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
2 & 1 \\
0 & 1 \\
\end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix}
2.2136 & 0.3162 \\
0.3162 & 0.9487 \\
\end{bmatrix} \\
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
0.9487 & 0.3162 \\
-0.3162 & 0.9487 \\
\end{bmatrix} \\
\]

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
2.2882 & 0 \\
0 & 0.8740 \\
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V Key points for geologic applications

A Here we know the \([F]\) and \([J]\) matrices; in nature we usually don’t

B Here we know the \textit{initial} and final positions of points; in nature we usually don’t

C To apply finite strain theory to rocks, we make assumptions about initial shapes and/or positions \textit{at a point}.

D Important to know these assumptions

E In a forward model, we know the conditions/assumptions

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F In infinitesimal strain theory, the strain matrix (see Lecture 15, slide 11) is symmetric, the eigenvalues give the maximum and minimum extensions, and the eigenvalues give the directions of the axes of the strain ellipse (and the reciprocal strain ellipse).

G Valid if displacement derivatives \(<< 1\).
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VI Recap

A. Strain deals with changes in the size and/or shape of bodies or pieces of bodies.

B. The size/shape changes are manifest in changes in the lengths of line segments and the angles between line segments.

C. Strain is defined at a point using dimensionless derivatives but in practice is measured over finite regions (volumes).

D. If the displacement derivatives with respect to position are small, infinitesimal strain theory can be applied.
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E The deformation gradient matrix \([F]\) relates initial position vectors to final position vectors:

\[
[dX'] = [F][dX]
\]

F The displacement gradient matrix \([J]\) relates initial position vectors to displacement vectors:

\[
[U] = [J][dX]
\]

G \([F]\) and \([J]\) are easily related:

\[
[U] = [dX'] - [dX] = [F][dX] - [I][dX]
\]

H At a point, \([F]\) and \([J]\) contain constants, so the components of \([dX']\) and \([U]\) are linearly related to the components of \([dX]\):

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \\
\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
dx \\
dy
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
du \\
dv
\end{bmatrix}
\]

J If the \([F]\) matrix is symmetric, then orthogonal vectors \([dX]\) can be found that do not rotate when operated on by \([F]\), so \([F][dX] = \lambda [dX]\). Those vectors are called eigenvectors and they give the directions of the principal stretches at a point \((S = L_f/L_o)\):

\[
[dX'] = [F][dX]
\]

\[
[F][dX] = \lambda [dX]
\]

Note: The principal stretch directions are not always “horizontal and “vertical”.
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K Even if $[F]$ is not symmetric, $[F^T][F]$ is.

L The principal stretches at a point can be found by taking the square roots of the principal quadratic strains (i.e., the square roots of the eigenvalues of $[F^T][F]$).

\[
[F^T][dX] = Q[dX]
\]

\[
S = \lambda = \sqrt{Q}
\]

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VI Recap

M The symmetric stretch matrix $[V] = [FF^{-1}]^{1/2}$.

N The rotation matrix $[R]$ describes the difference in orientation

$[R] = [V^{-1}][F]$.

O If $[F]$ is symmetric, then $[V]=[F]$, $[V^{-1}] = [F^{-1}]$, and $[R] = [F^{-1}][F] = [I]$.

\[
[F] = [V][R]
\]

\[
[V^{-1}][F] = [V^{-1}][V][R] = [R]
\]

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P The symmetric stretch matrix \( [U] = [F^T F]^{1/2} \)

Q The rotation matrix \([R]\) describes the difference in orientation
\( [R] = [F][U^{-1}] \)

R If \([F]\) is symmetric, then
\( [U]=[F], \) \([U^{-1}] = [F^{-1}]\), and
\( [R] = [F] [F^{-1}] = [I] \)

\( [F]=[R][U] \)
\( [F][U^{-1}] = [R][U][U^{-1}] = [R] \)

\( \tau_j = n_i \sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ij} n_i \Rightarrow [\tau] = [\sigma][n] \)

\[
\begin{bmatrix}
\tau_x \\
\tau_y
\end{bmatrix} =
\begin{bmatrix}
\sigma_{xx} & \sigma_{xy} \\
\sigma_{yx} & \sigma_{yy}
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
n_x \\
n_y
\end{bmatrix}
\]

\( [\tau] = [\bar{\tau}][n] \)
\( [\bar{\tau}][n] = [\sigma][n] \)

The components of a vector come from projecting the vector onto the coordinate axes