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Mechanisms of accretion



- Strain partitioning
- Two different growth processes acting simultaneously

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Schematic detail of an accretionary prism, showing different regimes of deformation.



Vertical exaggeration = $1.15 \times$

Interpreted seismic-reflection profile of the toe edge of an accretionary prism forming in the Nankai trough off Japan. Several faults can be imaged.

The concept of rollback



As a subducting slab sinks into the asthenosphere, the position of the trench relative to the a fixed point in the mantle migrates. This movement is called rollback

Types of wedge & exhumation of HP rocks



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Metamorphic facies



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Single metamorphic peak always followed by cooling or isothermal retrograde events

Metamorphic P-peak overprinted by a later thermal peak



Oberhänsli et al., 2004

Types of wedge & exhumation of HP rocks

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Accretion & erosion for the exhumation

Wilson cycle

Subduction

Collision

From subduction to collision

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A map showing a zipper-like collision between two continents. Here, the ocean between the two continents is closing progressively from north to south. In the collision zone, the boundary between what had originally been two separate continents.

Konvergente Plattenräder

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Earthquakes

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Spakman & Wortel, 2004

Deep structure of the Alpine area

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Deep structure of the Alpine area: East

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f) Profile EE'

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Deep structure of the Alpine area: Center

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-300

-400

Deep structure of the Alpine area: West

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subducted oceanic

lithosphere?

A'

depth [km]

-200

-300

-400

asthenospheric

upwelling

subducted European

lower lithosphere (and Valais oceanic

ithosphere?)

Slab & break-off

Schematic cross section of the Earth illustrating the concept of a slab

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From subduction to collision: Taiwan

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From subduction to collision

Stages in an idealized subduction-collision transition

Allochthonous basement massif Internal metamorphic Foreland Foreland Retro-Suture zone basir fold-thrust belt fold-thrust belt (A)B Ophiolite Thickened crust sliver Sinking oceanic sliver

(c)

(a) Precollision configuration.Continent A has a passive-margin basin on its east coast, while Continent B has a convergent margin on its west coast.There is a **subduction** of the ocean

(b) During the **continental subduction**, the passive margin is uplifted, and an unconformity (locally, with karst) develops. Turbidites derived from Continent B soon bury this unconformity (see inset). Normal faults break up the strata of the passivemargin basin, due to stretching. But soon, thrusts begin to develop, transporting the deeper parts of the basin over the shallower parts.

(c) In a **collision orogen**, the subducting slab has broken off, a suture has formed, and metamorphic rocks are uplifted and exhumed in the interior of the orogen.

Collision and post-orogenic processes

(a) A schematic cross section shows that during an early stage in a collision, the crust thickens by thrusting.

Not to scale

(b) Later, as collapse occurs, extensional faults develop in the upper crust, while plastic flow occurs at depth. This process may contribute to development of a broad plateau.

(c) The soft-cheese analogy for extensional collapse. A block of cold cheese can maintain its thickness. If the cheese warms up in the sun, it loses strength and spreads laterally. The rind of the cheese ruptures, and small faults develop

Collision and post-orogenic processes

Post-orogenic plutons and delamination

(a) Thickening of lithosphere forms a keel-shaped mass of cool lithosphere to protrude down into the asthenosphere.

(b) The keel drops off and is replaced by warm asthenosphere, causing partial melting and formation of anorogenic (postorogenic) plutons. The surface of the crust may rise as a consequence

Collision: Thermal Models (1D)

Thompson & England, 1984

Collision: Thermal Models (1D)

Collision: Thermal Models (2D)

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Thermal Models: Subduction vs collision

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Bousquet et al., 1997

Thermal Models: Subduction vs collision

Fast subduction

Very "Cold" Gradient HP-LT ~ $6^{\circ}C/km$

Slow subduction

"Cold" Gradient HP-LT ~ $15^{\circ}C/km$

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Eclogite

Blueschist

Bousquet et al., 1997

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Bousquet et al., 1997

Example of continental accretion: the Alps

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Bonnet et al., 2006

Example of continental accretion: the Alps

Profiles

Schmid et al., 2004

Suduction-collision in the Alps

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High temperature regime

d) Early Miocene 22 Ma

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