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**WORKSHOP
GLOBAL GEOPHYSICAL INFORMATICS WITH APPLICATIONS TO
RESEARCH IN EARTHQUAKE PREDICTIONS AND REDUCTION OF
SEISMIC RISK**

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FUNCTIONS ON EARTHQUAKE FLOW

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Functions on Earthquake flow

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EARTHQUAKE CAN BE DESCRIBED BY -

LATITUDE
LONGITUDE
DEPTH
TIME
ENERGY

...
TALES, STORIES, POEMS, ETC.

EARTHQUAKE FLOW - SEQUENCE OF EARTHQUAKES

DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF AN ADEQUATE MODEL
OF A PROCESS WHICH GENERATES EARTHQUAKES
WE SIMPLIFY THE PROBLEM CONSIDERING INDEPENDENTLY

SPACE
TIME
ENERGY

CHAOTIC CHARACTER CALLS FOR INTEGRAL DESCRIPTIONS

SPACE -

ONE SHOULD SPECIFY AN AREA (VOLUME)
by REGIONALIZATION OR
REGULAR SCANNING

IT REDUCES THE SPACE COORDINATES

TIME-

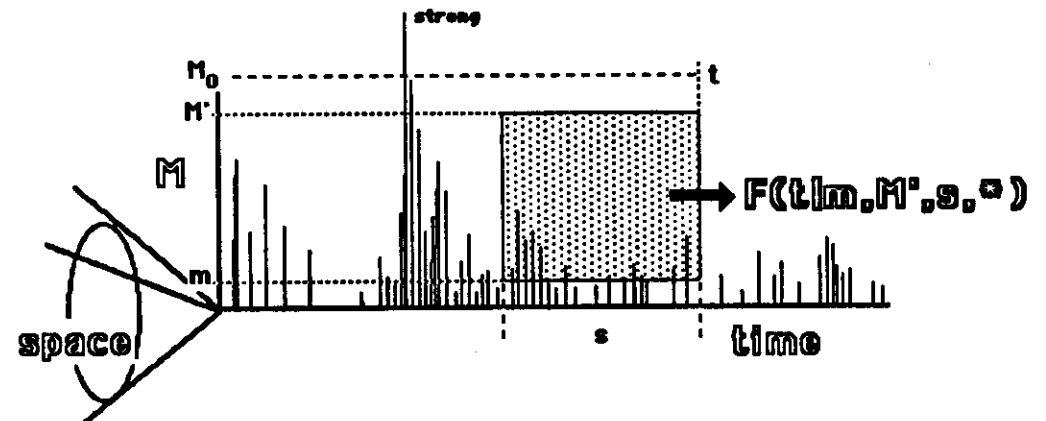
HOW TO MEASURE THE TIME ?
BY UNIFORM TIME INTERVALS
BY THE NUMBER OF CHARACTERISTIC EVENTS
BY UNIFORM ENERGY RELEASE

WE CONSIDER HERE THE SIMPLEST WAY -
UNIFORM TIME INTERVALS

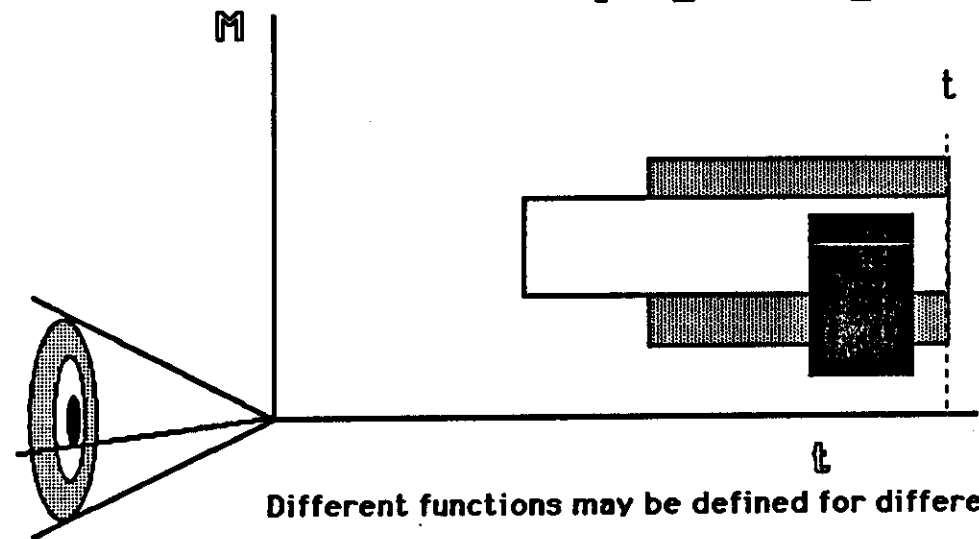
ENERGY -

$$\lg E \sim M$$

Magnitude is divided into certain ranges
Strong earthquakes are those with $M \geq M_0$



Vector (F_1, F_2, \dots, F_L)



Different functions may be defined for different
territories, time- and magnitude range

How to describe a time sequence?

What values to count ?

And can these values express

the usually considered traits

of an earthquake flow ?

level of seismic activity (quiescence, activation, ...)

temporal variation of seismic activity

clustering in time and space

concentration

long range interaction (L-R aftershocks, migration,...)

Basic functions:

Seismic activity -

**$N(t | m, s)$ - the number of earthquakes with $M \geq m$
in a time interval from $t-s$ to t**

**$\Sigma(t | m, M', s, a, B) = \Sigma 10^{B(M_i - a)}$ - the weighted
number of earthquakes within intervals of time and
magnitude, $(t-s, t)$ and (m, M') .**

According to the choice of B this sum can be
proportional to linear size if $B = B/3$, or to
area of sources if $B = 2B/3$, or to
energy release if $B = B$:

Here B is from $\lg E = A + BM$.

Variation of activity -

$$V(t | m, s, u) = \text{Var } N(t | m, s) \\ = \Sigma |N(t_{i+1} | m, s) - N(t_i | m, s)|$$

**- variation of N , where t_i are from the time interval
from $t-u$ to t .**

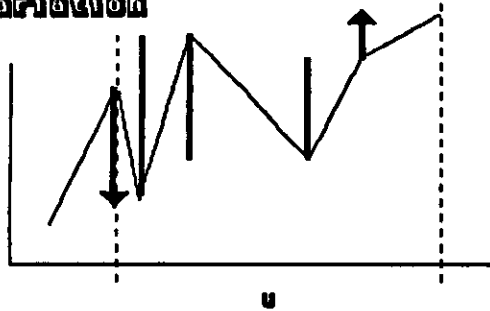
$$L(t | m, s) = \\ N(t | m, t-t_0) - N(t | m, t-s-t_0) \cdot (t-t_0) \cdot (t-s-t_0)^{-1}$$

**- deviation from long term trend of activity in the
period from t_0 to t**

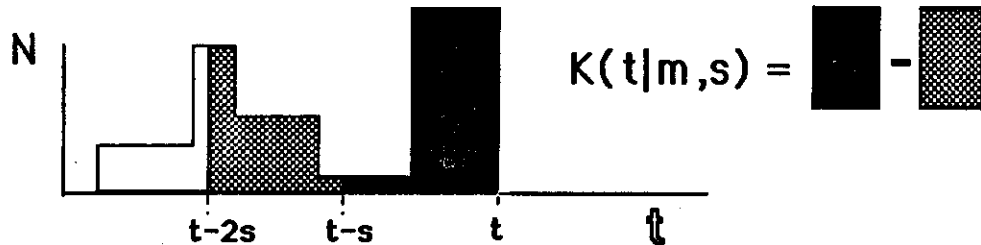
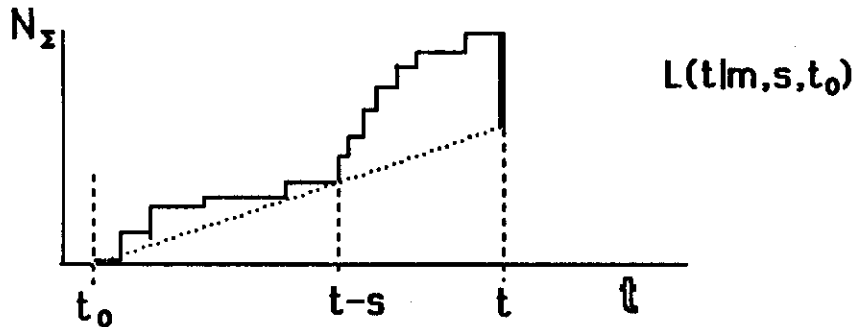
$$K(t | m, s) = N(t | m, s) - N(t-s | m, s)$$

- increment of activity

Variation



$$V(t|m,s,u) = \downarrow \sum \uparrow$$



$$K(t|m,s) = \text{[Solid Black Bar]} - \text{[Dotted Bar]}$$

Concentration -

$$Z(t|m,M',s,a,\beta) = \frac{\Sigma(t|m,M',s,a,\beta)}{(N(t|m,s) - N(t|M',s))^{2/3}}$$

- ratio of average radius of a fracture to average distance between fractures; here $\beta = B/3$ corresponding to a linear size.

Clustering -

Earthquakes are clustered :

foreshocks - main shock - aftershocks or swarms

For each main shock we count $B(e)$ which is the number of aftershocks .

A measure of clustering - the maximal $B(e)$ for main shocks within intervals (m, M') and $(t-s, t)$:

$$b(t|m,M',s,M_a,e)$$

Aftershocks with $M \geq M_a$ in the first e days after a main shock are counted in B .

Long range interaction -

The territory of higher rank is considered.
A main shock that occurred within $(t, t+u)$ after a strong earthquake is called long-range aftershock (after Prozorov). A measure of interaction :

$$M_l(t | s, M_0, u)$$

- the maximal magnitude of L-R aftershock in preceding $(t-s, t)$ period.

Another measure of interaction can be $N(t | m, s)$ counted for the territory of higher rank, N_R .

Contrast in activity -

An area is in a state of **Quiescence** if $N(t | m, s) \leq N_q$, and in a state of **Activation** if $N(t | m, s) \geq N_a$ (N_a and N_q are $(100 - p)\%$ and $p\%$ quantiles of N , correspondingly). Contrast of activity can be measured by the time since an area and its neighbour were in different states for a year or more

$$T_{aq}(t | m, s, p).$$

Other functions :

$$G(t | M_1, M_2, s) = 1 - \frac{N(t | M_2, s)}{N(t | M_1, s)}, \quad M_1 < M_2$$

- ratio of the numbers of earthquakes in two magnitude ranges.

$$q(t | m, s) = \sum_+ [a(m) \cdot s - N(t_i | m, s)]$$

- deficiency of activity; here $a(m)$ is an average annual number of main shocks with $M \geq m$, and \sum_+ defines summation of the positive terms only in time period $(t-s, t)$.

$$Q(t | m, s) = \text{Var } N(t | m, s)$$

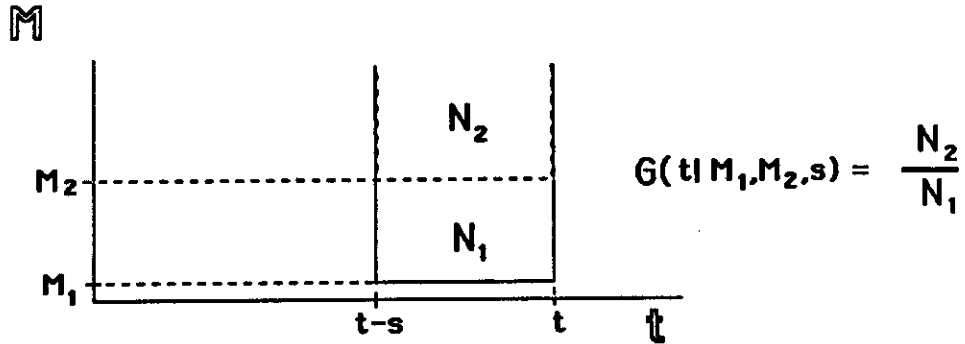
- a "drop-and-increase" in activity; here the variation of N between t and the previous time of local maximum of N is considered.

$$S(t | m, M', s, a, \beta) = \frac{\sum (t | m, M', s, a, \beta)}{[N(t | m, s) - N(t | M', s)]}$$

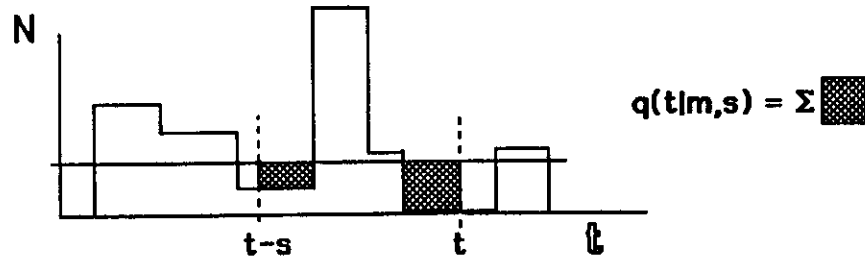
- average area of fractures; $\beta = 2B/3$.

Maximal values of S and Z in a period from t-u to t:

$$S_{\max}(t | m, M', s, u, a, \beta) \text{ and } Z_{\max}(t | m, M', s, u, a, \beta)$$



The list of these functions is neither optimal nor complete.
You are encourage to try other functions.



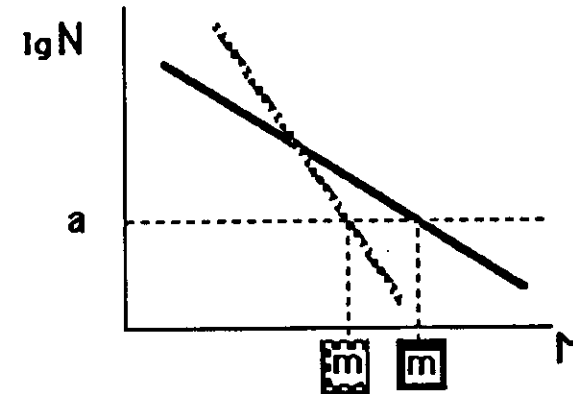
Normalization of Functions

All the areas are different. To compare the values of functions in different areas we need normalization.

Normalization by magnitude thresholds -

a) m is determined from a condition : $a(m) = A$,
 where A is some fixed constant and $a(m)$ is an
 average annual number
 of shocks in an area;

b) $m = M_0 - A$, where A is a given constant, and
 M_0 is the threshold in definition of strong shocks for
 an area.



Normalization by quantile presentation -

The values of a function are substituted by
 corresponding quantiles of its
 distribution function.

