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Workshop Proposal to the International Continental Scientific Drilling Program (ICDP)

Testing the Extensional Detachment Paradigm: Scientific Drilling in the Sevier Desert Basin (Basin and Range Province, Western United States)

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INTRODUCTION

The manner in which continents extend and eventually break apart to form ocean basins is a firstorder issue in tectonics and geodynamics (Karner et al., 2004; and in press). Of particular interest is the role that may be played by low-angle normal faults or detachments (e.g., Wernicke, 1981, 1985; Lister and Davis, 1989; Froitzheim and Eberli, 1990; Lister et al., 1991; Reston et al., 1996; Rietbrock et al., 1996; Abers et al., 1997; Driscoll and Karner 1998; Hodges et al., 1998; Osmundsen et al. 1998; Taylor et al., 1999; Boncio et al., 2000; Manatschal et al., 2001, and in press; Axen, 2004; Canales et al., 2004). Individual structures are interpreted to account for up to tens of kilometers of crustal extension, and for rapid exhumation of rocks from mid- to lower crustal and even subcrustal depths (e.g., Allmendinger et al., 1983; Axen et al., 1990; Baldwin et al., 1993, 2004; Holm et al., 1992; John and Foster, 1993; Jolivet et al., 1996; Snow and Wernicke, 2000; Livaccari and Geissman, 2001; Manatschal et al., 2001, and in press; Canales et al., 2004; DeCelles and Coogan, 2006). They provide a mechanism for spatial partitioning of extensional strain, with implications for the stratigraphic and thermal evolution of associated sedimentary basins and for the exploitation of hydrocarbon resources in extensional and passive-margin settings (Kusznir et al., 1987; Lister et al., 1991; Friedmann and Burbank, 1995; Karner and Driscoll, 1999). By virtue of their inferred large scale, still-active detachments may represent a significant seismic hazard even if recurrence intervals are correspondingly long (Wernicke, 1995).

In spite of the evident success of the extensional detachment paradigm in integrating and accounting for diverse geological observations, no consensus exists on two important aspects of fault mechanics. First, brittlely deforming low-angle normal faults represent an extreme case of the weak fault paradox, involving displacement with resolved shear stresses substantially smaller than those expected on the basis of laboratory observation and Coulomb rheology (Axen, 1992, 2004; Axen and Selverstone, 1994; Sibson, 1985; Manatschal, 1999; Westaway, 1999; Collettini and Sibson, 2001; Floyd et al., 2001; Hayman et al., 2003; Collettini and Holdsworth, 2004; Scholz and Hanks, 2004). At issue is whether the maximum principal stress is necessarily vertical (Faulkner et al., 2006), and whether rocks are necessarily coulombic when faults slip. Second, although earthquakes have been interpreted on low-angle normal faults (e.g., Abers, 1991; Wernicke, 1995; Rietbrock et al. 1996; Abers et al. 1997; Boncio et al., 2000; Collettini and Barchi 2002), the evidence is equivocal, and the general absence of evidence for seismicity on such structures has yet to be explained satisfactorily (Jackson 1987; Jackson and White, 1989). If geological relationships are correctly interpreted, therefore, the potential exists for low-angle normal faults to provide new insight into fault mechanics.

The challenge for geologists and geophysicists is to demonstrate that a now-gently dipping

normal fault was active at a low angle or that observed seismicity relates unambiguously to such a fault. Originally high-angle faults are progressively tilted to lower inclinations during extension. This is observed where extension is accommodated by suites of tilted blocks like books upon a shelf (Proffett, 1977; Miller et al., 1983; Jackson and White, 1989) and perhaps by passage of the footwall, continuously or discontinuously, through a "rolling hinge" from a steeply inclined active fault to a more gently inclined, exhumed and inactive portion of the same structure (Buck, 1988; Wernicke and Axen, 1988; Weissel and Karner, 1989; Miller, 1991; Holm et al., 1992; Axen and Bartley, 1997; Lavier et al., 1999; Gessner et al., 2001; Lavier and Manatschal, 2006).

Among evidence cited in favor of normal-sense slip along an originally low-angle fault are cut-off angles against layered sediments and sedimentary rocks, the geometric relationship between high-angle faults and detachments, footwall thermochronology and barometry, paleomagnetically determined orientation, and the apparent youth of deformation (e.g., Allmendinger et al., 1983; Von Tish et al., 1985; Lister and Davis, 1989; Axen et al., 1990; Scott and Lister, 1992; John and Foster, 1993; Livaccari et al., 1993; Axen and Selverstone, 1994; Brady et al., 2000; Livaccari and Geissman, 2001; Hayman et al., 2003; Axen, 2004; Niemi et al., 2004).

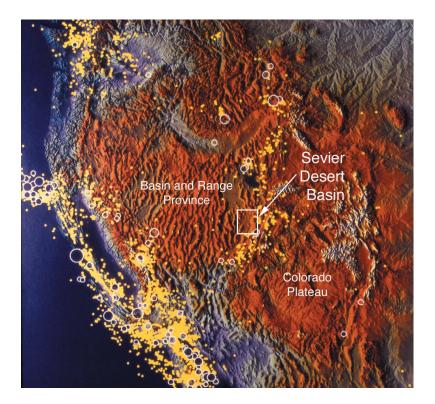
Taken together, this evidence is regarded by many as compelling (Wernicke, 1995; Axen, 1999, 2004). Yet unresolved questions remain for virtually every published example: e.g., the temporal and kinematic relationships among mylonites, brittle detachments and other faults (Lister and Davis, 1989; Proffett, 2002; Miller and Pavlis, 2005), the possible role of diapiric ascent versus low-angle normal faulting in the rapid exhumation of some metamorphic rocks (Fayon et al., 2004), the possible contribution of rolling hinges and whether, more generally, detachment dips of $< 20-30^{\circ}$ (Sibson, 1985; Collettini and Sibson, 2001) are necessarily implied by available thermochronology (Axen and Bartley, 1997; John et al., 2004); the need to distinguish crustally rooted normal faults from gently inclined detachments associated with surficial slide blocks, particularly in areas of pronounced topographic relief (Boyer and Allison, 1987; Hauge, 1993; Anders et al., 2006); and even whether a fault is present (Anders and Christie-Blick, 1994; Anders et al., 2001; Wills et al., 2005).

As G.J. Axen states in his 2004 review (p. 50), "Even one compelling example of a primary LANF [low-angle normal fault] or of LANF slip is sufficient to prove that they may form and slip at low dip, respectively." The purpose of the proposed drilling in the Sevier Desert basin is to test the extensional detachment paradigm through coring, downhole logging, biostratigraphic, isotopic and fission-track dating, magnetostratigraphy, and *in situ* measurement of pore pressure, permeability, fluid chemistry, temperature, and stress at an example for which evidence of large normal-sense slip on a detachment of particularly low dip (11°) is widely regarded as among the most convincing, and for which a case can be made for contemporary displacement (Wernicke, 1995; Niemi et al., 2004).

GEOLOGICAL CONTEXT OF SEVIER DESERT BASIN

The Sevier Desert basin is located in west-central Utah, in the eastern part of the Basin and Range Province – a broad region of Oligocene and younger extension in the western United States and northern Mexico, bounded on the east by the Colorado Plateau, and on the west by the diffuse transform plate boundary of the San Andreas system (Figs. 1 and 2; Wernicke, 1992; Wills et al., 2005). Extension in the Sevier Desert region was superimposed on a late Jurassic to early Tertiary orogen (the Sevier orogenic belt; Armstrong, 1968; Allmendinger, 1992; DeCelles and Coogan, 2006), and on the inner hinged or continentward parts of a west-facing (deepening) Neoproterozoic to mid-Devonian passive continental margin and composite younger Paleozoic to Triassic foreland (Stewart, 1972; Bond et al., 1985; Burchfiel et al., 1992; Smith et al., 1993). Pre-orogenic development is represented by < 7 km of Neoproterozoic to Lower Cambrian mostly clastic sedimentary rocks, and by < 9 km of mid-Cambrian to Triassic mostly carbonate rocks (Christie-Blick, 1982, 1997; Hintze, 1993; Hintze and Davis, 1993; Link et al., 1993; DeCelles and Coogan, 2006) – rocks that now underlie the basin and are to be found in outcrop in surrounding ranges.

The basin is strongly asymmetric towards the west, with as much as 4 km of predominantly finegrained siliciclastic and volcaniclastic lacustrine fill, and more than 1 km of basal relief in a north-south direction (Figs. 3-5; Wills et al., 2005). Two of nine wells studied by Wills et al. intersect basalt flows



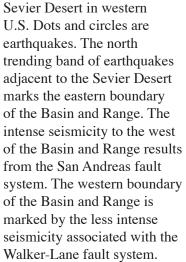


Figure 1. Location of the

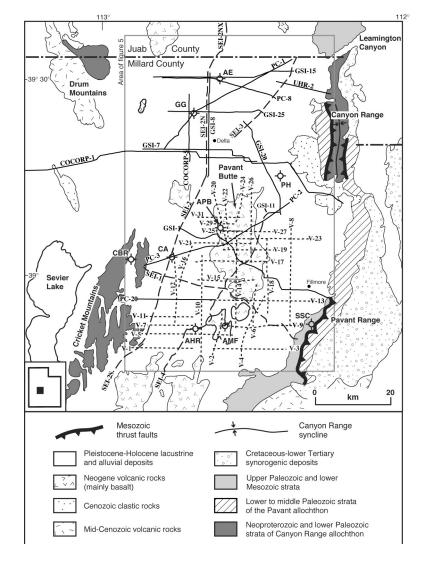


Figure 2. Generalized map of Sevier Desert basin in westcentral Utah showing locations of seismic profiles and wells (see figure 1 for location map). Solid, dashed and dotted lines correspond with different seismic datasets. COCORP Utah Line 1 is shown in figure 3. Wells: AE, Argonaut Energy Federal; AHR, ARCO Hole-in-Rock; AMF, ARCO Meadow Federal: APB, ARCO Pavant Butte; CA, Cominco American Federal; CBR, Chevron Black Rock; GG, Gulf Gronning; PH, Placid Henley; SSC, Shell Sunset Canyon. Thrust faults are Canyon Range thrust in Canyon Range, and the structurally lower Pavant thrust in the Pavant Range (teeth on upper plate). Gray box shows area of figure 5 (modified from Wills et al., 2005).

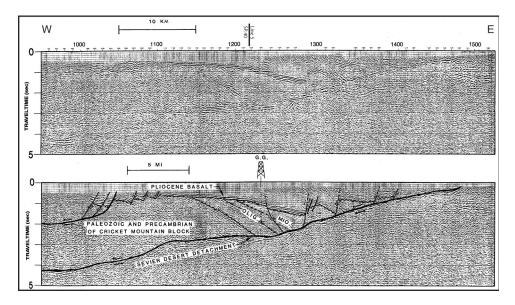


Figure 3. Part of seismic reflection profile COCORP Utah Line 1, with interpretation of Sevier Desert detachment from Von Tish et al. (1985). The dominant reflector, thought to be the Sevier Desert detachment, can be traced to a depth of 15 km at an average dip of about 11°. See figures 2 and 5 for map location of the reflection line.

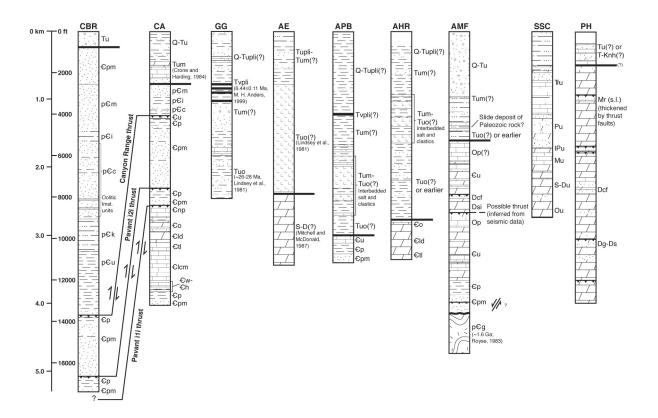


Figure 4. Summary of stratigraphy of the industry wells drilled in the Sevier Desert basin with dark lines indicating fault contacts. Well locations shown on Fig. 2 (modified from Wills et al., 2005).

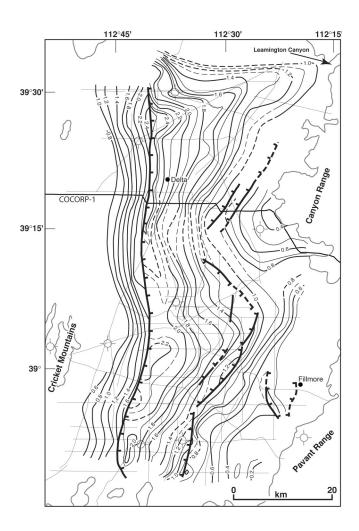


Figure 5. Structural contour map of the base of Cenozoic rocks in the Sevier Desert. Contours are in two-waytravel time based on seismic reflection lines and industry wells as shown in figure 2. The area encompassed in this figure corresponds to the boxed area labeled "Figure 5" in figure 2 (modified from Wills et al., 2005).

(GG and APB in Figs. 2 and 4); four wells (GG, APB, AHR and AE in Figs. 2 and 4) penetrate intervals of evaporites, including 1,571 m (5152 ft) of halite in Argonaut Energy Federal No. 1 (AE). Age data are limited. Zircon and apatite fission-track dating in the most intensively studied hole (Gulf Gronning No. 1; GG in Figs. 2 and 4) suggests that tuffaceous sandstone 350 m above the bottom of the hole is of late Oligocene age (28-26 Ma; Lindsey et al., 1981), an estimate that is consistent with available pollen data. As much as 2 km of sediment underlie the dated level in the deepest part of the basin (Mitchell and McDonald, 1987; Wills et al., 2005).

SEVIER DESERT DETACHMENT

Interpretations of a detachment beneath the Sevier Desert (Figs. 2 and 3) are based primarily on 1970s vintage petroleum industry seismic reflection data (McDonald, 1976; Wernicke, 1981; Wernicke and Burchfiel, 1982; Smith and Bruhn, 1984; Mitchell and McDonald, 1987; Planke and Smith, 1991; Coogan and DeCelles, 1996, 1998) and seismic profiles acquired by the Consortium for Continental Reflection Profiling (COCORP; Allmendinger et al., 1983, 1987; Von Tish et al., 1985; Allmendinger and Royse, 1995). The 11° westward dip of the hypothesized detachment, its lateral continuity over 7,000 km² beneath the basin and (downdip) within deformed Neoproterozoic and Paleozoic rocks of the Cricket Mountains block (Fig. 2), the inferred offset of Cretaceous structures by as much as 47 km (DeCelles and Coogan, 2006), the presence of a prominent culmination in crystalline basement rocks beneath the basin, the downward termination of high-angle normal faults at the base of the basin fill, and the involvement of sediments as young as Holocene provide seemingly unassailable evidence for large normal offset on a fault that could never have been appreciably more steeply inclined than it is today, and is arguably still active (Wernicke, 1981, 1995; Niemi et al., 2004; Wills et al., 2005). Interpreted stratigraphic growth (eastward tilting) along the western margin of the basin is consistent

with displacement on the detachment after 28-26 Ma (based on the Gulf Gronning data; McDonald, 1976; Allmendinger et al., 1983; Von Tish et al., 1985; Coogan and DeCelles, 1996, 1998; Stockli et al., 2001). Fission track ages from footwall rocks in the Canyon Range (19-15 Ma from apatite; Fig. 2) and ARCO Meadow Federal well (13.0 ± 1.0 Ma to 10.8 ± 0.9 Ma from zircon; AMF in Fig. 2), and from hanging-wall rocks in Cominco American Federal well (8.5 ± 2.2 Ma from apatite; CA in Fig. 2) are attributed to mid- to late Miocene displacement and tectonic exhumation along the hypothesized detachment (Allmendinger and Royse, 1995; Stockli et al., 2001). Brittle deformation along the west flank of the Canyon Range is interpreted as an updip outcrop expression of hypothesized detachment (Otton, 1995, 1996).

This generally accepted interpretation of a detachment has been questioned primarily though not exclusively by a group at Columbia University, based upon the absence of evidence in well cuttings and cores for either brittle deformation (above) or ductile deformation (below), and details of the subsurface stratigraphic and structural interpretation that are regarded as at odds with key elements of published palinspastic reconstructions (Anders and Christie-Blick, 1994; Hamilton, 1994; Anders et al., 2001; Hintze and Davis, 2003; Wills et al., 2005; Christie-Blick et al., in press; Christie-Blick and Anders, in press). According to these authors, deformation in outcrop in the Canyon Range (Fig. 2) relates not to a crustally rooted detachment, but to mapped Mesozoic fold hinges and faults, and to slide blocks that are demonstrably surficial (Hamilton, 1994; Wills and Anders, 1996, 1999). The apparent continuity of a prominent multicyclic seismic reflection beneath the basin to within deformed Neoproterozoic and Paleozoic rocks of the Cricket Mountains block to the west is restricted to the northern part of the basin owing to fortuitous alignment of a basin-flooring unconformity with a Cretaceous thrust fault. The same fault and a structurally higher thrust are interpreted as erosionally truncated at the western margin of the southern Sevier Desert basin, and not offset by a detachment in the manner assumed by those inferring large extension. The culmination in crystalline rocks beneath the basin is attributed to a ramp in a hypothesized intrabasement thrust fault (Anders et al., 1995). Inferred post-late Oligocene growth is based upon a mistaken correlation between seismic reflection data and the Gulf Gronning well (GG in Fig. 2; Anders et al., 1995, 1998; Wills et al., 2005). The supposedly Oligocene tilted strata imaged in COCORP Utah Line 1 (Olig. in Fig. 3) are reinterpreted as Paleozoic and Neoproterozoic. The basin fill is largely subhorizontal at all stratigraphic levels, and consistently onlaps the Cricket Mountains block to the west. Stratigraphic growth and downward-terminating normal faults are spatially and temporally localized in areas of intrabasinal salt tectonics. Fission track ages of 19 Ma and younger are viewed as too young to explain the development of a supradetachment basin at least as early as the Oligocene (Anders et al., 1995; Wills and Anders, 1999; Anders et al., 2001; Wills et al., 2005).

This alternative interpretation of the Paleozoic-Cenozoic contact as an unconformity rather than a detachment has not been generally accepted. It is argued that deformation along detachment faults is commonly restricted, and easily missed in the two wells that were sampled in this case (Allmendinger and Royse, 1995; DeCelles and Coogan, 2006). Microcrack data were obtained entirely from cuttings of basin fill. Caving of the borehole wall leads to uncertainty about the precise stratigraphic level of samples. The closest core of Paleozoic carbonate rock was from 12.8 m below the contact. Exhumation of the detachment would in any case have made it possible to remove critical footwall evidence prior to later sedimentary onlap, particularly at updip locations. The incomplete coverage and uneven quality of available seismic reflection data leave plenty of room for discussion about interpretive details, including the possibility that deformation was distributed across several closely spaced faults (Allmendinger and Royse, 1995; Coogan and DeCelles, 1998). Displacement along the detachment may have been overestimated. The age of the basin is not well constrained by available well data, and better interpreted from the timing of footwall exhumation (Stockli et al., 2001). A major exposed detachment fault (the Cave Canyon detachment) projects beneath the Sevier Desert basin along its southern flank (Coleman and Walker, 1994; Coleman et al., 1997; Niemi et al., 2004). Thus despite significant skepticism and attendant critical testing of the detachment hypothesis, the strong consensus among the majority of scientists working on the problem is that the hypothesis remains the best explanation for the basin itself, and is consistent with independent evidence for large-scale extension in the Basin and Range Province and for numerous geometrically analogous detachment systems (Wernicke, 1992, 1995; Niemi et al., 2004; DeCelles and Coogan, 2006).

SCIENTIFIC OBJECTIVES

We propose to test the extensional detachment paradigm through a combination of coring, downhole logging, biostratigraphic, isotopic and fission-track dating, magnetostratigraphy, and *in situ* measurement of pore pressure, permeability, fluid chemistry, temperature, and stress in a 2,000- to 4,000-m-deep borehole in the Sevier Desert basin. The geological studies are aimed at elucidating the character of the Paleozoic-Cenozoic contact and the long-term evolution of the basin – together constituting a new critical test of the detachment hypothesis. *In situ* measurements are aimed at determining the conditions under which displacement may have taken place, as recently as the Holocene, consistent with the generally accepted interpretation of the geology. Specific issues to be addressed include the following:

- Evidence for ductile and/or brittle deformation vs an unconformable contact, recognizing that fault rocks may have been partially removed by erosion prior to burial, and that an originally unconformable contact may have been involved in faulting.
- The history of sediment accumulation, and how the timing of basin development relates to exhumation of the hypothesized footwall of the detachment. A full suite of downhole logs (especially acoustic logging) will allow confident correlation with seismic reflection data.
- *In situ* physical conditions along the detachment zone, including pore pressure, fracture permeability, fluid chemistry, temperature, the orientation of stress axes and the magnitude of differential stress. Employing methods developed and refined for the KTB¹ and SAFOD² drilling projects, particularly hydraulic fracturing tests and analysis of tensile and compressional (breakout) failures of the wellbore wall, it will be possible to estimate the complete stress tensor at depth along the detachment zone.

The proposed drilling relates to two ICDP research themes: the physical and chemical processes responsible for earthquakes; and the origin of sedimentary basins. It complements efforts to understand the genesis of earthquakes in strike-slip and subduction zone settings, as well as in extensional settings such as the Gulf of Corinth. Supradetachment basins constitute a potentially important class of sedimentary basin that is not yet well understood (Friedmann and Burbank, 1995).

JUSTIFICATION FOR DRILLING THE SEVIER DESERT BASIN

The Sevier Desert basin represents a world class scientific drilling opportunity, with the potential for establishing beyond any doubt that normal-sense slip can occur along a brittle low-angle fault, and for determining the conditions under which that may take place. The interpreted detachment is regionally well defined at the contact between Paleozoic carbonate rocks and Cenozoic basin fill at a depth range of ~0-4 km (Allmendinger et al., 1983; Von Tish et al., 1985; Wills et al., 2005), roots into the crust west of the Sevier Desert, is of large estimated offset (< 47 km; DeCelles and Coogan, 2006), cannot have been active at a dip much greater than its present 11°, and may be associated with contemporary extension (Anderson and Miller, 1979; Christenson et al., 1987; Oviatt, 1989; Niemi et al., 2004). A western basin-bounding fault system coincides today with a 30-km-long zone of both east- and westdown Holocene scarps (the Clear Lake scarps; CL in Fig. 6; Oviatt, 1989). At depth, the fault offsets a 6.44 Ma basalt (Wills et al., 2005) \sim 1,000 m. The most prominent of the Clear Lake scarps has a westside down net vertical tectonic displacement of 3 m that is probably entirely post-Bonneville (< 17 ka) and may be entirely Holocene (Oviatt, 1989), suggesting a maximum vertical slip rate of ~0.3 mm yr¹. Niemi et al. (2004) infer that the faults terminate against the detachment, which therefore may have slipped most recently in the Holocene. While no seismicity has been documented on the detachment (SDD in Fig. 6), its scale is consistent with earthquake magnitudes as large as M 7 (Wernicke, 1995). Given a location ~150 km southwest of Salt Lake City, it rivals the more active but segmented Wasatch fault (WPS, WNS, WLS and WFS in Fig. 6) as a seismic hazard. Extension determined geodetically as part of the BARGEN experiment (Basin and Range Geodetic Network; Wernicke et al., 1998, 2000) is

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²San Andreas Fault Observatory at Depth.

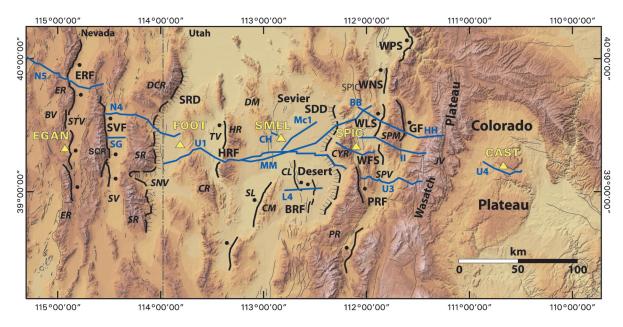


Figure 6. Shaded relief map showing location of Global Positioning System (GPS) sites (yellow triangles), seismic reflection profiles (blue lines), and surface traces of high-angle (bold line with ball on hanging wall) and low-angle (hachures on hanging wall) normal faults (from Niemi et al., 2004; Basin and Range Geodetic Network, or BARGEN). SDD is the presumed surface projection of the Sevier Desert detachment.

focused on the Wasatch fault, but from the west side of the Canyon Range (site SPIC in Fig. 6) to the Confusion Range (site FOOT in Fig. 6), there is still 0.7 ± 0.1 mm yr¹ of differential west velocity over the past 5 years. This is inferred to be accommodated primarily by displacement on the House Range fault and Sevier Desert detachment (HRF and SDD in Fig. 6). About 0.35 mm yr¹ is typical for Basin and Range faults.

The Sevier Desert detachment figured prominently in the development of ideas about low-angle normal faulting (Wernicke, 1981, 1985), as an example not closely associated with metamorphic core complexes (Crittenden et al., 1980), and because it was recognized early, in the course of petroleum exploration (McDonald, 1976). Its impact on thinking in the academic world was subsequently reinforced by publication of the well known COCORP seismic reflection profile (Allmendinger et al., 1983, 1987; Von Tish et al., 1985). The seismic reflection and exploration well data have been examined and re-examined in the course of numerous studies (Lindsey et al., 1981; Smith and Bruhn, 1984; Mitchell and McDonald, 1987; Planke and Smith, 1991; Royse, 1993; DeCelles et al., 1995; Coogan and DeCelles, 1996; Wills et al., 2005; DeCelles and Coogan, 2006). Available outcrop where the detachment may project to the surface on the west side of the Canyon Range (Fig. 2) has also been studied in detail (Hintze and Davis, 1993; Otton, 1995; Mitra and Sussman, 1997; Wills and Anders, 1999). Stockli et al. (2001) undertook a comprehensive fission track study of the Canyon Range. Together, these studies provide an excellent framework for scientific drilling.

Drilling is now needed specifically to make *in situ* measurements at depth, to sample fault rocks at a down-dip site where strain ought to have been large though perhaps localized in both ductile and brittle fields, and to establish more clearly the relationship between basin development and displacement along the interpreted detachment. Existing industry data are not adequate for this purpose: few cores were taken; none of the wells penetrating the detachment level are able to resolve details of the contact; downhole logs are incomplete, and up to several decades old. However, the wells do provide vital information about the drilling environment that is likely to be encountered.

RELATIONSHIP WITH CORINTH RIFT LABORATORY DRILLING

The proposed project relates to and complements other ICDP drilling projects dealing with the physics of earthquakes and faulting, including SAFOD, the Taiwan Chelungpu Fault Drilling Project, and especially the Corinth.Rift Laboratory in Greece – the last of these sited in an extensional setting, with implications for the low-angle normal fault paradox.

Initial drilling in the Gulf of Corinth was designed to investigate the mechanical behavior of a large listric normal fault (slip rate ~3.5 mm yr¹), with a key objective of monitoring pore fluid pressure and studying fluid-rock interactions (Cornet et al., 2004; and numerous papers in the same issue). A borehole sunk to a depth of ~1,000 m on the southern shore of the Gulf of Corinth cuts the 60°-dipping Aigion normal fault at a depth of 750 m to 800 m. The width of the damage zone is ~7-12 m, including ~50 cm of gouge. The frictional coefficient of the fault zone material is estimated to be ~ 0.53-0.62. Pore pressure monitoring indicates that the fault acts as a hydraulic barrier separating overpressured fluid compartments with a pore pressure difference of ~ 0.4 MPa.

Reflection imaging and seismological data suggest that the drilled fault soles into a detachment with a dip as low as 13°-18° (Armijo et al., 1996; Rigo et al. 1996; Riebrock et al., 1996; Sorel, 2000; Sachpazi et al., 2003). However, dips approaching the predicted lock-up angle (Scholz, 2002) are not encountered above a depth of 3-5 km (Sachpazi et al., 2003), and to reach the detachment level, it may be necessary to drill as deep as 6 km from a shipboard platform or as deep as 8-10 km from a land-based site on the north shore of the Gulf. There is also some doubt as to whether observed microseismicity is associated with the inferred detachment or with antithetic faults (Rietbrock et al., 1996). The detachment itself is not well imaged in available seismic reflection data.

No seismicity has been attributed to the Sevier Desert detachment in comparison. However, that fault is widely viewed as recently active on the basis of offsets along hanging-wall structures inferred to terminate against it (e.g., Niemi et al., 2004). The main advantages of the Sevier Desert detachment are that it is well imaged on numerous seismic profiles (Fig. 2), dips consistently at ~11°, and is reached at a depth of 0-4 km from more or less flat public lands, with no significant access problems.

PROPOSED WORKSHOP

We propose to hold an international workshop on "Scientific Drilling in the Sevier Desert Basin" in June or July, 2008, in the State of Utah close to the basin. The purpose of the meeting is to flesh out objectives, strategies and operational details, with input from a much broader constituency of interested scientists than is represented by the PIs, and to develop a consensus on the location of a drill site. This will be informed by an already comprehensive evaluation of existing subsurface data, and by the need to balance optimal science against cost. We aim for ~35-45 participants, with strong international representation; representatives from industry, ICDP, and DOSECC³, from the Utah Geological Survey and U.S. Geological Survey, from the National Science Foundation (Continental Dynamics) and related NSF programs such as EarthScope⁴ and MARGINS⁵, as well as from academia; and a full range of pertinent expertise in geology and geophysics, and borehole science/technology. The most important product of the workshop will be a full drilling proposal to be submitted to ICDP in January, 2009.

A workshop venue in Utah, provisionally at Brigham Young University in Provo, will permit inspection of possible drill sites in the Sevier Desert ~100 km to the southwest, and the interpreted outcrop expression of the detachment on the west flank of the Canyon Range. Provo is accessible from the international airport at Salt Lake City ~70 km to the north. The suggested timing is to optimize travel for northern hemisphere participants and weather conditions in the Sevier Desert (elevation ~1,400 m), to gain access to university facilities during the summer recess, and to allow for up to several months between the workshop and the proposal deadline. It would also be preferable to hold the workshop before the 33^{rd} International Geological Congress in Norway (August 6-14, 2008).

A provisional list of participants/invitees, subject to further iteration, is attached as an Appendix.

³ Drilling, Observation and Sampling of the Earth's Continental Crust; www.dosecc.org/

⁴ http://www.earthscope.org/

⁵ http://www.nsf-margins.org/

The plan to hold a workshop will be widely advertised. A final list of participants will be determined by the organizers on the basis of responses received. A provisional program is as follows:

First day: Background and scientific rationale from drilling the Sevier Desert basin; a review of what is known of the geology and geophysics of the basin and the broader Basin and Range Province; update of pertinent results from BARGEN and EarthScope.

Second day: Field trip to the Sevier Desert basin.

Third day: Break-out groups on fault zone sampling and analysis (ductile as well as brittle features); biostratigraphy, magnetostratigraphy and dating (analysis of basin development and hence timing of displacement along the hypothesized detachment); downhole measurements (physical properties, pore pressure, permeability, fluid chemistry, temperature, and stress); coring and logging in the anticipated geological environment (based on existing wells); and drill site evaluation.

Fourth day: Feedback from break-out groups, with discussion; and development of a drilling plan and workshop summary, to be published in EOS and the ICDP Newsletter. Key elements of this feedback will be incorporated into the full drilling proposal.

CANDIDATE DRILL SITES

Candidate drill sites are located east of a line along which the interpreted detachment passes from the Paleozoic-Cenozoic contact into deformed Neoproterozoic and Paleozoic rocks of the Mesozoic orogen, and where the basin fill is < 4 km thick. More than 3 km of fill was recorded at ARCO Pavant Butte (APB in Figs. 2 and 3). The deepest part of the basin (~2.5 s two-way travel time, assuming an acoustic velocity of 3.2 km s⁻¹; Anders et al., 1995, 1998) is interpreted in the northern Sevier Desert basin ~12 km north of Delta (Fig. 5; Wills et al., 2005). In map view, in the southern Sevier Desert basin, this corresponds to locations east of the Clear Lake scarps (CL in Fig. 6). West of that line, a borehole would likely encounter an unconformity at the Paleozoic-Cenozoic contact in any tectonic scenario, and it would be difficult to distinguish the inferred detachment from a Mesozoic thrust fault.

A compelling scientific rationale can be made for a deep hole (4,000 m), and to at least several tens of meters below the Paleozoic-Cenozoic contact to ensure that all strands of the detachment are sampled. Fault rocks (both ductile and brittle) are most likely to be preserved, and to record close to the maximum displacement along the detachment in both the hanging wall and footwall. Hanging-wall displacement decreases up dip to zero where the detachment cuts the youngest strata involved. Footwall mylonites are expected to be best developed and preferentially to have escaped erosion at down-dip locations. In interpreting basin evolution (and the history of displacement along the detachment), it will be useful to sample as complete a stratigraphic record as possible.

According to this rationale, two options are available. In the southern Sevier Desert basin, sites can be considered along seismic profile PC-2/PC-3 between the Cominco American Federal and ARCO Pavant Butte wells (CA and APB in Figs. 2, 4 and 5), and avoiding any thermal effects associated with basalts at Pavant Butte. An advantage of the southern part of the basin is that Oligocene salt appears to be less well developed than in the north. An alternative in the northern Sevier Desert basin, north of the COCORP line, is line PC-1 between the Gulf Gronning and Argonaut Energy Federal wells (GG and AE in Figs. 2, 4 and 5). The detachment is deeper on that line, and thick salt encountered at the AE well (> 1,500 m) may be problematic. In either case, a compromise (to limit cost) would be to consider locations up dip either to the east or towards the east-west high south of Delta, including sites along COCORP Utah Line 1 (Figs. 3 and 5). However, there are obvious advantages to sites relatively close to existing wells, where the gross stratigraphy and drilling environment are already known, and a borehole shallower than ~2,000 m risks not achieving important geological objectives.

BUDGET

Accommodation, meals and venue costs for 4 days: 45 x \$600	\$27,000
Bus/vehicle charter for field trip	\$1,500
Travel expenses prioritized for those from outside the U.S.: 20 x \$800	\$16,000
Workshop advance preparation in Utah	\$1,500
Total estimated cost	\$46,000

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Professional Career

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Current Research

Diverse topics in sedimentary geology and tectonics, with emphasis on challenging conventional thinking and attempting to resolve outstanding debates and paradoxes. Examples include the way in which sedimentation is modulated by sea-level change, deformation and other factors; extensional tectonics in the western U.S.; and the geology of the Neoproterozoic Era. I am a participant in and co-proponent for Integrated Ocean Drilling Program (IODP) Expedition 313, Shallow-Water Drilling of the New Jersey Continental Shelf in 2007-2008, a multinational research effort that is being underwritten in part by ICDP. I was co-chief scientist for Ocean Drilling Program (ODP) Leg 174A, New Jersey Mid-Atlantic Sea-Level Transect, in 1997.

Relevant Publications

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Appointments

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- Research Geologist, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Engineering and Research Center; Denver, Colorado; Seismotectonics Section, 1981–1983
- Research Geologist, U.S. Bureau of Mines, Research Center; Denver, Colorado; Rock Mechanics Branch, 1979–1981

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Publications

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1995-1999: Associate Editor *Journal of Geophysical Research-Solid Earth,* AGU Convener Euro-Conference on Rock Physics and Geomechanics 2004 Convener AGU Annual Meeting 2003, Sessions T17 Convener AGU Annual Meeting 2001, Sessions T06 I-V Conf. Vol. Guest Editor Int. J. Earth Sci., 90, 2001

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Visiting Professor at Ecole Polytechnique, Paris 2004 (invited) Heisenberg-Fellowship 1992 DFG-Research Fellowship 1989

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APPENDIX: PROVISIONAL LIST OF WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS/INVITEES

The following list is intended as a point of departure, with a target of 35-45 attendees. There are undoubtedly others who ought to be included as we attempt to broaden representation in expertise and from the international community. Attention has been given to the range of expertise that will be needed in fault zone sampling and analysis; biostratigraphy, magnetostratigraphy and dating; downhole measurements (physical properties, pore pressure, permeability, fluid chemistry, temperature, and stress); coring and logging; and drill site evaluation – though not broken out in those terms in this preliminary compilation. A wealth of experience now exists, as a result of burgeoning interest in scientific drilling, and as represented at the May, 2006 IODP-MI/ICDP Workshop on Fault Zone Drilling in Japan.⁹ A final list of participants will be determined by the organizers following advertisement of the workshop, and on the basis of responses received.

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