

Lecture 7: Mechanical viscoelasticity

- In this lecture, my goal is to show **what part of the viscoelastic model for rocks** (with time-dependent interactions) can be represented by rigorous continuum mechanics
 - The answer to this question is: **“mechanically-implementable” viscoelastic models (represented by spring-dashpot diagrams) can be modeled by mechanics**
 - Such models are likely all that matter among the VE models
 - However, there also exist many other mechanical models which cannot be described by spring-dashpots diagrams or by the VE model

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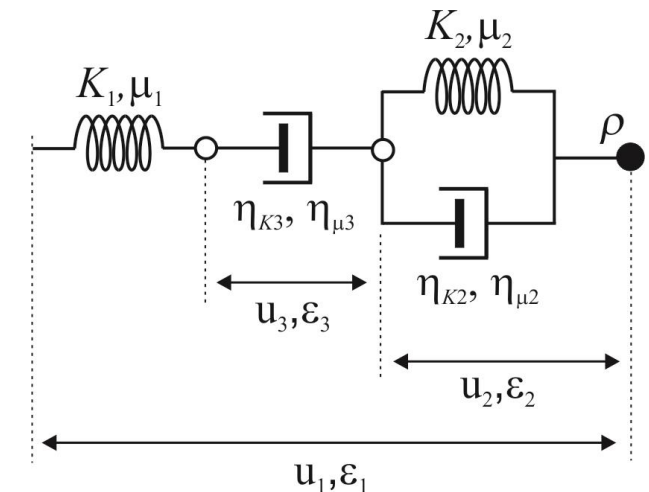
- A different meaning of spring-dashpot mechanical diagrams
- Lagrangian and dissipation functions for linear solids
- Generalized standard linear solid (GSLs)
- Extended GSLs
- Conclusion of the course

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- Reading: Sections 5.5 – 5.7 in the text

Spring-dashpot diagrams

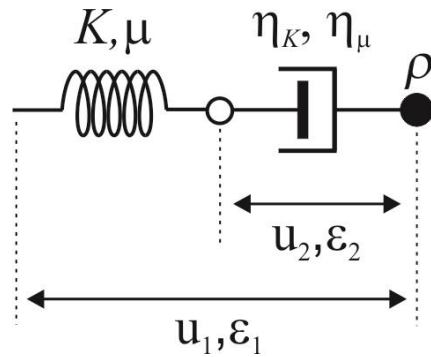
- In the viscoelastic (VE) theory spring-dashpot diagrams are used to illustrate **mechanically-implementable stress-strain relations**.
- Recall that VE diagrams are only designed to implement certain relations between time-dependent functions $\varepsilon(t) \leftrightarrow \sigma(t)$. Therefore, the VE mechanical diagrams are limited to a certain specific form:
 - They have a form of **chains of elements** with one pair of $\varepsilon(t)$ and $\sigma(t)$ measured at the ends
 - They contain only springs or dashpots which are **related to stress and strain tensors**
 - **Different diagrams may correspond to the same $\varepsilon(t) \leftrightarrow \sigma(t)$ relation**

- However, it is easier and unambiguous to view springs-dashpot diagrams as illustrations of the construction of the Lagrangian and dissipation functions
 - Each connector is an internal variable
 - Each element is an elastic term in L or viscous term in D
 - The end connector (black here) is the kinetic-energy term in L



Maxwell's body

- Maxwell's body contains one internal variable, therefore $N = 1$
- There are three material-property constants:



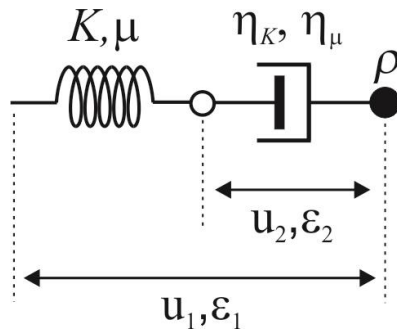
$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M & -M \\ -M & M \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

Maxwell's and Kelvin-Voigt's bodies

- Maxwell's body contains one internal variable, therefore $N = 2$
- There are three material-property constants:

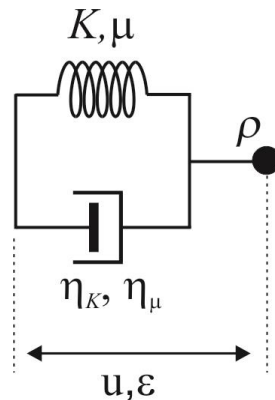


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$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M & -M \\ -M & M \end{bmatrix}$$

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- For Kelvin-Voigt's body, $N = 1$, and also three material properties:



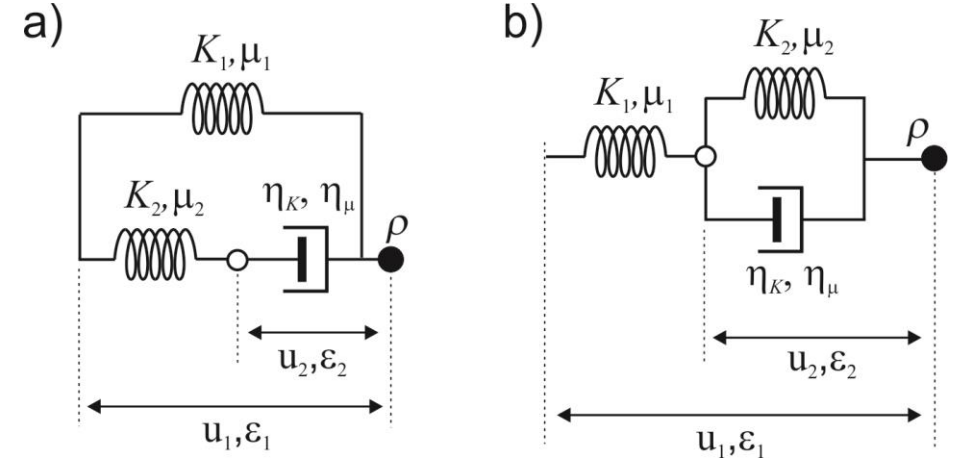
$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = [\rho]$$

$$\mathbf{M} = [M]$$

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = [\eta]$$

Zener's body (standard linear solid, SLS)

- Two possible diagrams shown here
 - The difference is in the movement of the internal variable
- $N = 2$ and four material-property constants
- For model a) here:



$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 + M_2 & -M_2 \\ -M_2 & M_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta \end{bmatrix}$$

- For model b):

$$\mathbf{M}' = \begin{bmatrix} M'_1 & -M'_1 \\ -M'_1 & M'_1 + M'_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta' \end{bmatrix}$$

See the text for hints to obtain relations between parameters of the two SLS models

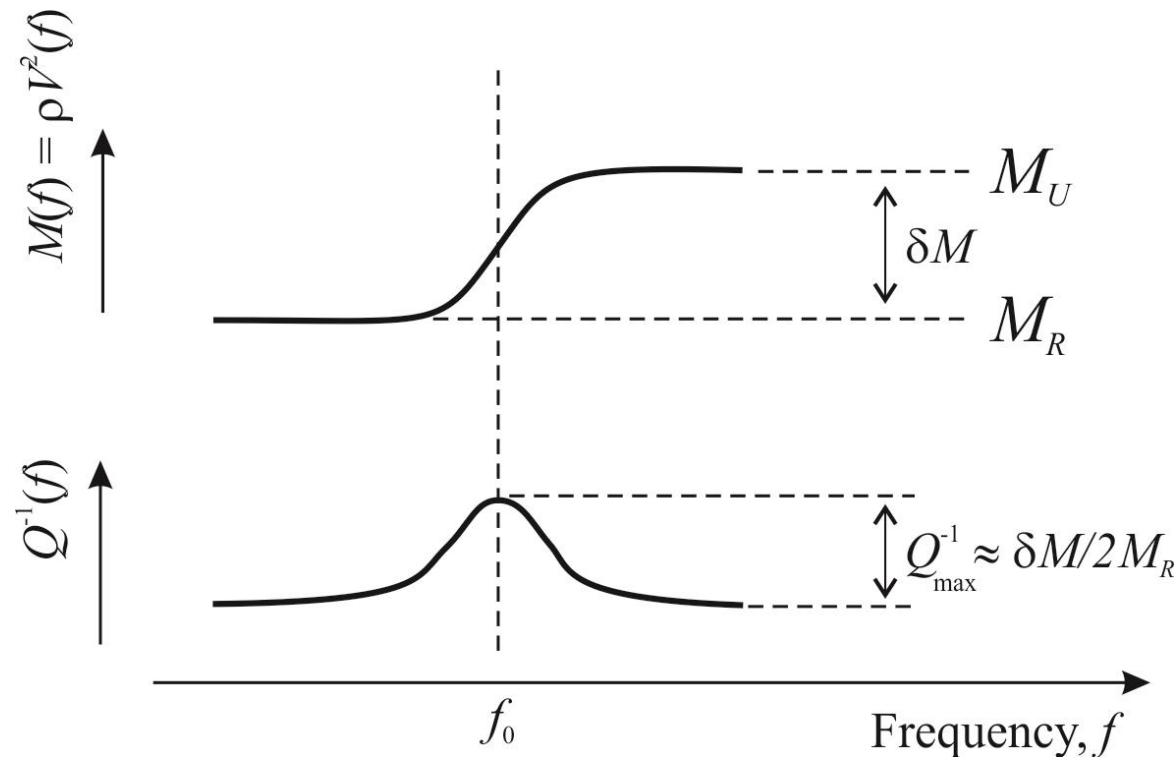
Wave velocity dispersion and attenuation for SLS)

- Eigenmode equation from Lecture #5: $\rho \mathbf{v}^{(n)} = \gamma^{(n)} \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{v}^{(n)}$
gives one wave mode with a characteristic peak in $Q^{-1}(f)$ and increase in velocity from “relaxed” to “unrelaxed” level:

$$\mathbf{M}^* \equiv \mathbf{M} - i\omega \boldsymbol{\eta}_M$$

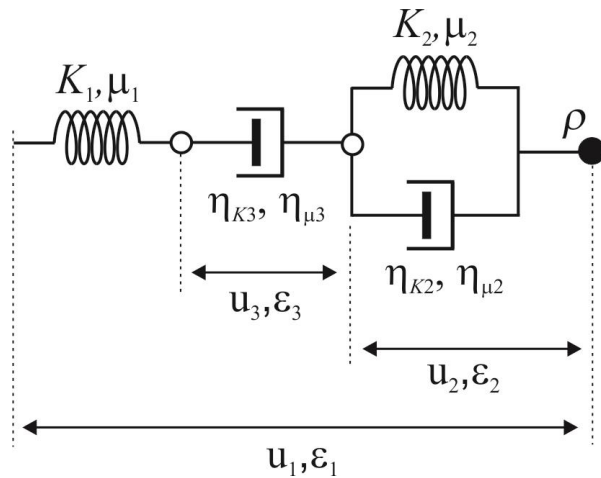
$$k^* \equiv k + i\alpha$$

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{(k^*)^2}{\omega^2}$$



Burgers' body

- For Burgers' body, $N = 3$ and three material-property constants:



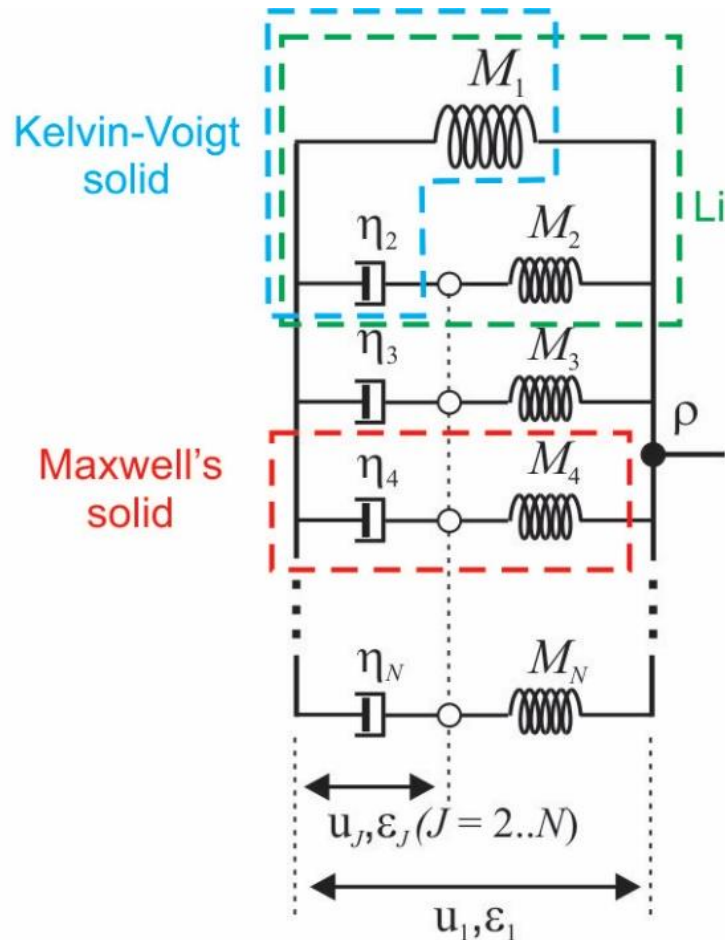
$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 & -M_1 & -M_1 \\ -M_1 & M_1 + M_2 & -M_1 \\ -M_1 & -M_1 & M_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \eta_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Generalized Standard Linear (Zener) Solid (GSLS)

- The GSLS consists of an elastic element (term M_1 in matrix element M_{11}) and a series of Maxwell-type 4-element blocks for Maxwell chains



$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{J=1}^N M_J & -M_2 & -M_3 & \cdots & -M_N \\ -M_2 & M_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -M_3 & 0 & M_3 & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -M_N & 0 & 0 & \cdots & M_N \end{bmatrix}$$

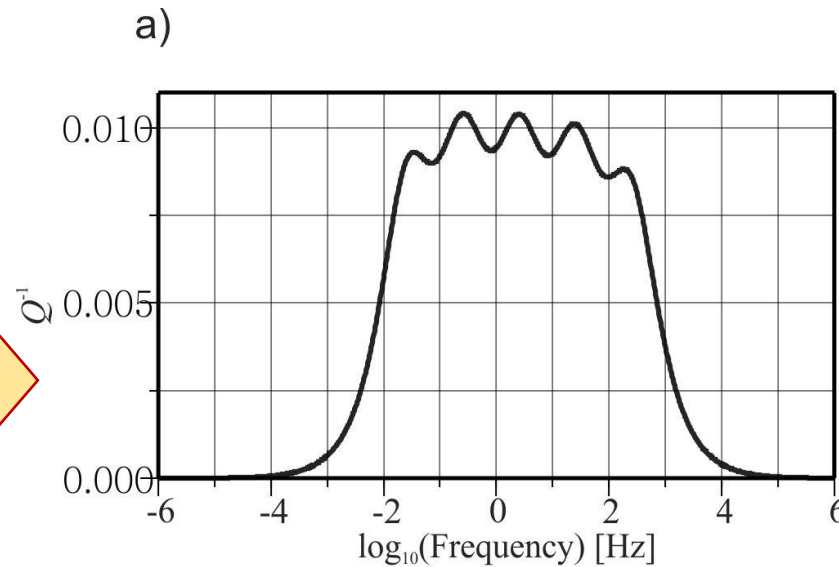
$$\boldsymbol{\eta} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \eta_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \eta_3 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & \eta_N \end{bmatrix}$$

Waves in a GSLS medium

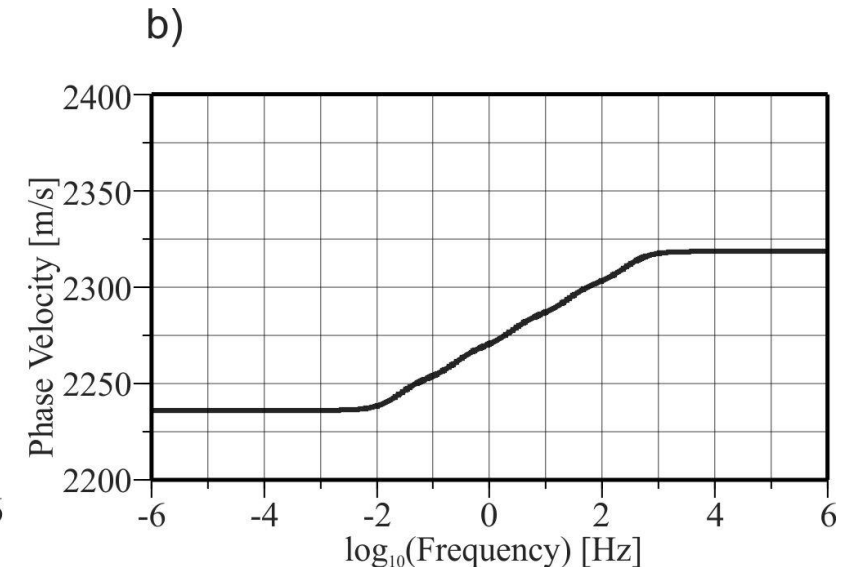
- Recall from Lecture #5 that plane waves of any kind are found by solving eigenvalue equation (with the appropriate type of modulus \mathbf{M}):
- Because GSLS contains zero mass densities for all internal variables, there is **only one wave mode** (with finite velocity). Its velocity and Q^{-1} are shown here:

$$\rho^* \mathbf{v}^{(n)} = \gamma^{(n)} \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{v}^{(n)} \quad , \text{ where } \quad \gamma \equiv \frac{(k^*)^2}{\omega^2}$$

GSLS is commonly used in waveform modeling software to produce such attenuation spectra

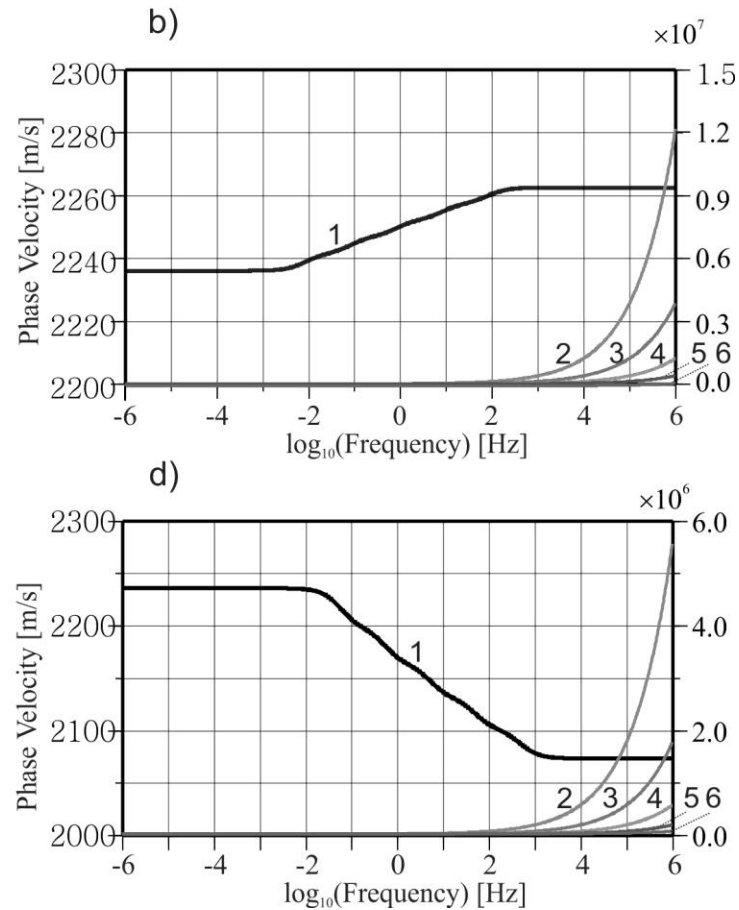
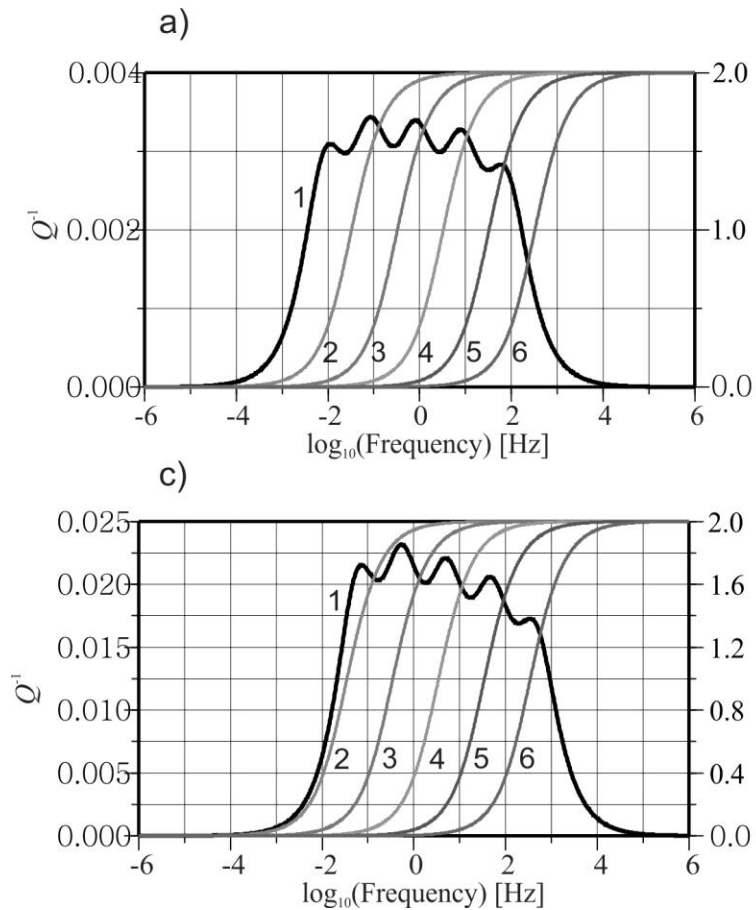


GSLS



Waves in a GSLS medium

- If we consider nonzero densities for internal variables, additional wave modes appear (gray lines):



Internal densities equal 1% of the main one
 Note the **Inverse dispersion** of primary mode (increase of velocity with frequency)



Internal densities equal 0.5% of the main one
 Note the **Normal dispersion** of primary mode (decrease of velocity with frequency)

Extended GSLS

- Let us extend the GSLS by using lessons from Biot's theory of porous rock
- Compare elastic moduli matrices with $N = 2$ for a Zener's body (SLS) and Biot's model:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 + M_2 & -M_2 \\ -M_2 & M_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} K_U & -\alpha M \\ -\alpha M & M \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{where} \quad K_U = K_D + \alpha^2 M$$

- In the SLS, M_1 is analogous to K_D , and M_2 is analogous to M
- Biot's matrix contains one additional parameter α ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$). For Zener's model, $\alpha = 1$.
- Therefore, it should be **useful to generalize the GSLS by adding parameters α_j to Maxwell's chains**
 - The model becomes more like bulk modulus of porous rock with multiple porosities:

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} M_1 + \sum_{j=2}^N \alpha_j^2 M_j & -\alpha_2 M_2 & -\alpha_3 M_3 & \cdots & -\alpha_N M_N \\ -\alpha_2 M_2 & M_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -\alpha_3 M_3 & 0 & M_3 & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -\alpha_N M_N & 0 & 0 & \cdots & M_N \end{bmatrix}$$

... and the same diagonal matrix η as for GSLS

... and matrix ρ can also be modified similar to poroelastic one...

This model cannot be drawn as a spring-dashpot diagram,
but it appears to correspond to rocks more accurately

Conclusion

- Returning to the question of our course:

"How does rock deformation work"?

- Answer:

- It works by means of mechanics!

(also some thermodynamics, electrostatics, magnetism, ... etc.)