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Figure 1.1 Principal components of an upper crustal fault zone (A - after Caine et al., 1996, B - after Gudmundson et al., 2001)



B	Permeability	Architectural Style	Fault Core	Damage Zone
	Localised conduit	Localised slip along single curviplanar surface, or along discretely segmented planes	Poorly developed or absent	Poorly developed or absent
	Distributed conduit	Distributed slip accommodated along distributed surfaces and fractures	Poorly developed as narrow discrete, discontinuous bands, or absent	Well developed, discrete slip surfaces and fracture network
	Localised barrier	Localised slip accommodated within cataclastic zone	Well developed fault core cataclasites	Poorly developed or absent
	Combined conduit- barrier	Deformation accommodated within localised cataclastic zone and distributed zone of subsidiary structures	Well developed fault core cataclasites	Well developed, discrete slip surfaces and fracture network

Figure 1.2 A – Four end members of fault zone architecture and fluid-related flow, depending on relative permeabilities of the fault core and damage zone

 \mathbf{B} – Fault zone architectural styles and permeability structure (after Caine et al., 1996)





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Figure 1.5 Mohr-Coulomb diagrams illustrating modes of fracture propagation A = mode I fracture (e.g. extensional joint) B = mixed-mode fractures C = mode II and mode III, shear fractures (after Schultz 2000)



Figure 1.7 Slickenlines and lineations on fault surfaces A - slickenlines formed by scratching and gouging by hard asperities in wall rocks

D - Lineations formed by smeared mineral grains and soft asperities, or the collection B - slickenlines formed by linear irregularities on the fault surface (ridge-in-groove) C - Spikes on a stickolite (solution surface subparallel to movement direction) of gouge behind a hard asperity

(after Twiss & Moores 1992)



Figure 1.8 Conjugate fault pair bisected by an extension fracture (after Twiss & Moores 1992)



Figure 1.9 Subsidiary en-echelon structures that may occur within fault zones during simple shear (dextral shear in this diagram)
R and R₁ = Riedel and conjugate Riedel shears
P-shears, X-shears, Y-shears, extension joints (e) (after Hancock 1985)





tension gash and fault plane as a direct indicator of movement direction A - (after Twiss & Moores 1992), acute angle between en-echelon **B** - (after Price & Cosgrove 1991), development of sigmoidal tension gashes with progressive deformation, cross-cut by a Figure 1.11 En-echelon tension gashes as kinematic indicators later set.



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Figure 1.12 Viscous kinematic indicators



Figure 1.13

- A Geometric reactivation, reactivated structures display *different* senses of relative displacement for successive events
- B Kinematic reactivation, reactivated structures display *similar* senses of relative displacement for successive events

(after Holdsworth et al., 1997)



Figure 1.14 The criteria considered reliable for recognising reactivation: stratigraphic, structural, geochronological and neotectonic (after Holdsworth et al., 1997)





Figure 1.16 Measurements of fracture density

A - along a 1-dimensional line transect (schematic)

- **B & C** fracture frequency measured along equal-length transects (every 20°) within a circular sample area to produce a rose diagram (after Hudson & Priest, 1983)
- D & E mean spacing measured across a rectangular sample area along transects (every 30°). Mean spacing (instead of fracture frequency as in C) is used to to create rose diagram as not all transects are the same length. (Method proposed in this study, actual data set from locality 132a, MTFC.)



Figure 1.17a Linear relationship between fracture spacing and bed thickness for a sandstone lithology a - linear axes, b - logarithmic axes (after Ji & Saruwatari 1998)



Figure 1.17b Graphs illustrating different FSI ratios for different lithologies Chert has a steeper slope on the graph than diatomite, and therefore a higher Fracture Spacing Index (FSI) (numbers next to data points refer to total number of spacing datapoints taken in that bed to calculate median value) (after Gross et al., 1995)



Figure 1.18 Schematic diagram to illustrate the three main biases that occur when measuring fracture trace lengths





Figure 1.19

- A Schematic displacement diagram for a simple fault, viewed normal to fault surface (after Barnett et al., 1987)
- **B** Schematic displacement diagram for a dip-slip fault, displacement is parallel to the short axis of the elipse
- **C** Schematic diagram for a strike-slip fault, displacement is parallel to the long axis of the elipse





Figure 1.20 Two end members of layering - (a) stratabound (b) non-stratabound (after Odling et al., 1999)



Figure 1.21 Percolation theory illustrated by a finite, regular lattice composed of points/sites. Points/sites can be connected to forma a cluster or be unconnected. The percolating cluster intersects all four sides of the sample area (after Berkowitz & Balberg, 1993)





- A the infinite or percolating cluster, intersecting all sides of the sample area, pc = 1
- B the backbone of the infinite cluster is shown in blue, and in orange are the dead-ends



no. fractures (x) = 12no. nodes (y) = 11y = (x - 1)

Minimum cluster connectivity - as another fracture is added to the cluster, only one more node is created.



Maximum cluster connectivity - as another fracture is added to the cluster, it intersects with every other fracture.

Figure 1.23 Fracture cluster connectivity A - minimum connectivity B - maximum connectivity





Figure 1.25

Percolation threshold as a relative measure of percolation using a 4 sided 2-dimensional sample area

- A When pc = 1, all 4 sides of the sample area are intersected by the percolating cluster
- **B** When pc = 0.75, 3 sides of the sample area are intersected by the percolating cluster
- C When pc = 0.5, 2 sides of the sample area are intersected by the percolating cluster
- **D** When pc = 0.25, 1 side of the sample area is intersected by the percolating cluster

When pc = 0.5, and the orientation of the main fault is known, connectivity can be assessed relative to the fault:

E - the fractures of the percolating cluster intersect 2 sides, connectivity is *parallel* to the fault trend

F - the fractures of the percolating cluster intersect 2 sides, connectivity is *perpendicular* to the fault trend



Figure 1.26 Schematic diagram illustrating the relationship between cluster length and connectivity, showing that a long fracture cluster is not necessarily better connected than a short fracture cluster. Cluster A is longer but has less intersections than cluster B which is 5cm shorter



Figure 1.27 Diagram to illustrate the interconnectivity index (ICI) proposed by Rouleau & Gale (1985) which can be used to measure the degree of connectivity between two fracture sets (set 1 & set 2). See text for explanation of equation. A

Ammonite diameter (cm)									
3.2 3.1 3.2 3.3									
3.6	3.2	3.3	3.5						
3.4	3.6	3.9	3.5						
3.8	3.2	3	3.9						
3.7	3.1	3.4	3.4						
3.8	3.5	2.9	3.3						
2.9	3.7	3.4	3.3						
3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6						
2.9	3.9	2.9	4						
3.7	3.7	3.1	3.4						





Figure 1.28 Methods used to analyse the best-fit statistical distribution

- A Dataset used to create plots in B, C & D
- **B** histogram
- C probability density function superimposed onto histogram
- **D** cumulative density function, both x & y axes are plotted as linear scales This dataset of ammonite diameters is best described by a normal distribution (A, B & C = after Swan & Sandilands 1995)



	Statistical distribution					
Parameter	Uniform	Normal	Log-normal	Exponential	Power-law	Gamma
Mean	1	1	1	1	n/a	1
standard deviation	1	1	1	1	n/a	1
Minimum possible value	0	-∞	0	0	0	0
Maximum possible value	00	8	œ	œ	8	œ

Figure 1.29 A - probability density functions for Uniform, Normal, Log-normal, Exponential, Power-law and Gamma distributions

B - main parameters for the probability density functions illustrated in A (after Dershowitz et al., 1995)



Figure 1.30 Cumulative frequency distributions for

- A Power-law distribution (x & y axes both logarithmic)
- **B** Log-normal distribution (x-axis logarithmic, y-axis linear)
- C Exponential distribution (x-axis linear, y-axis logarithmic)
- D Cumulative frequency distributions for Power-law, Log-normal.

Exponential and Normal distributions, all plotted on logarithmic x & y axes. NB, dotted lines are data points that do not lie on the best-fit line. (due to undersampling for example)



Figure 1.31 Histogram of oil field sizes, discovered in the Denver Basin, USA in 1969
A - with x-axis plotted as a linear scale
B - with x-axis plotted as a logarithmic scale

This data set is best described by a log normal distribution. (After Davis, 1986))









- **Figure 1.33** Graphs illustrating deviation of a power-law cumulative frequency distribution caused by censoring and truncation
 - A power-law cumulative frequency graph of fault length, D = power-law exponent (after Pickering et al., 1997)
 - **B** power-law cumulative frequency graph of fault spacing, exponent = 0.63 (after Knott et al., 1996)



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Figure 1.35 Graph to show that the slopes/exponent for amalgamated and extrapolated data scales may not accurately reflect the exponents of the individual data sets, because the individual data sets may be offset from each other. (after Yielding et al., 1996)



Figure 1.36 Graphs illustrating combined data sets with slopes > 2, suggesting that the data do not indicate strict self-similarity. (A - after Castaing et al., 1996) (B - after Odling 1997)



Figure 1.37 Plots to test self-similarity between data sets of different sample ranges See text for explanation (A, B, C, D, G after Castaing et al., 1996,)

(E, F after Odling 1997, where observation height is equivalent to data scale)



- Figure 1.38 Histograms and probability density functions of spacing distributions at 3 stages of an analogue model (3 different magnitudes of strain) illustrating the evolution from best-fitting exponential to normal distributions
 - A low fracture density, early stage in the fracture set development the spacings are best described by an exponential distribution
 - **B** intermediate fracture density, the spacings are best described by a log-normal distribution
 - C high fracture density, late stage in fracture set development, the fracture spacings are best described by a normal distribution





Spacing values, x

Figure 1.39 In geologically complex rocks it is likely that the evenly spaced (normal), clustered, and random (exponential) distributions will combine (A) resulting in a distribution shown in B, which is similar to an exponential distribution (after Priest & Hudson 1976)



Figure 1.40 Relationship between the mean spacing of the population and the mean spacing from a finite 1-dimensional transect (sample) illustrating the errors for different transect lengths (L, measured in metres)

A - exponential distribution with negative slope

B & C - log-normal distributions with different standard deviations (after Sen & Kazi, 1984)



Figure 1.41 Graph illustrating the various distributions used to describe discontinuity spacing in the literature from Table 1.4 (includes fractures, joints and faults)



Figure 1.42 Diagram illustrating how an exponential distribution (the probability density function, pdf for the population) can be affected by linear bias, and transformed into a log-normal distribution (illustrated by the sample pdf) (after Baecher 1983)



Figure 1.43 Diagram illustrating a decrease of the power-law exponent (C) over time as strain increases. Also shown are the processes which govern the development of the power-law distribution (after Cladouhos & Marrett 1996)



Figure 1.44 Graph illustrating the various distributions used to describe discontinuity length in the literature from Table 1.4 (includes fractures, joints and faults)



Figure 1.45 Graph illustrating the range of power-law exponents used to describe discontinuity length in the literature from Table 1.4 (includes fractures, joints and faults)



Figure 1.46 Graph illustrating the range of fractal dimensions reported by Bonnet et al., (2001), after their comprehensive literature review.

Procedure for Kolmogorov-Smirnov analysis

- 1. Sort sample values into descending order
- 2. Normalised cumulative frequency values by dividing by total number of sample values (n)
- 3. Plot best fit line for sample data which gives the theoretical distribution
- 4. Find biggest vertical difference between sample and theoretical distributions = D
- 5. Use (n) to find the critical value of D
- 6. Compare D and Dcritical and decide whether to accept or reject the null hypothesis



cumulative frequency distribution for fracture spacing values (the sample)

cumulative frequency distribution for theoretical distribution, in this case an exponential distribution (see equation)

largest vertical deviation between sample and theoretical cumulative frequency distributions = **D** value

Kolmogorov-Smirnov results for the example shown in the above graph

n = 80D = 0.058695 Dcritical at 95% confidence level = 0.15205

therefore D < Dcritical, so accept null hypothesis

the sample data comes from the same statistical distribution as the theoretical data an exponential distribution

Figure 1.47 The Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

- A procedure for testing the goodness of fit of a sample distribution to a theoretical distribution
- B example of Kolmogorov-Smirnov test for a fracture spacing data set
- C results of test illustrated in B

A

C







Figure 2.1 Map to show the location of the Fosen Peninsula (A) and the major offshore basins of the NE Atlantic margin. (after Watts 2001, adapted from Dore et al., 1997).



Figure 2.2 Simplified geological map of the Fosen area, Central Norway. (after Watts 2001)









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A - Map of Fosen showing locations of B, C and D B - Mefjellet section, C - Hammardalen quarry and 719 road cut, D - Follavathet section

Figure 2.5 HSFZ localities.

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Figure 2.6 Photographs taken from the HSFZ at the Mefjellet section

- A Alignment of lakes along the trace of the HSFP, photograph looking SW
- **B** Exposure of the HSFP in the foreground, with alignment of lakes along HSFP trace in background. Photograph looking SW.
- C Slickenside lineation observed on the HSFP (shown in B). Photograph looking NW







Figure 2.9 Photographs from the RFZ.

- A The Rautingdalen gorge, photograph looking N, gorge trends NNE-SSW
 B Inside the steep-sided, 10m wide Rautingdalen gorge, photograph looking NNE
 C Recent rock fall towards the northern end of the Rautingdalen gorge. Photograph looking SW



Figure 2.10 Exposures of the Elvdalen Fault zone along a dried up stream-bed adjacent to a Hydro station along the road to the Ormsetvatnet reservoir. The stream bed marks the trace of the EFP which is unexposed at this locality. (photograph looking NE)

(NB kinematic symbols are positioned to the LEFT of the red fault activity boxes. Red boxes with no associated kinematics represent Figure 2.11 Summary of kinematic events suggested for the MTFC, taken from onshore and offshore publications. (adapted from Watts 2001) periods of fault activity but with no identified kinematics.)





Time diagram to show fault rock correlation, kinematic evolution and timing for the HSF, VF, RF and EF within the MTFC. Kinematic symbols are positioned to the RIGHT of the coloured fault activity box. (Adapted from Watts, 2001) Figure 2.12





Figure 3.2 Von-Mises diagrams created for the same data illustrated in Figure 3.1 (1 = red girdles in Fig. 3.1, 2 = green girdles, 3 = blue girdles, 4 = orange girdles)





seudotachylite infilling foliation parallel fracture

incohesive blue-grey gouge

infilling fractures

zeolite infilled fractures enechelon NNW-SSW

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- d incohesive gouge a - epidote cataclastite
 - e chlorite b - zeolite
- f pseudotachylite c - zeolite & calcite
- (a, d & f = from Verran Fault Core (Finesbekken stream section), b = from Road to Ormsvatnert reservoir

 - c = from Verrasundet fjordside, e = from 720 Road section)



Figure 3.4 Filled-fractures adjacent to the VFP.

A - Stereographic projections of fractures with identifiable infills adjacent to the VFP
 B - The percentages of filled-fractures observed at different distances from the VFP
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A - Stereographic projections of fractures with identifiable infills adjacent to the VFP B - The percentages of filled-fractures observed at different distances from the VFP (continued from previous page)

B







Figure 3.5 Photographs illustrating the relationships between fracture infills in the field, adjacent to the VFP.

- A Epidote cataclasite occurs as clasts in a N-S-trending zeolite/calcite matrix breccia (plan view)
 - B Epidote cataclasite occurs on the outside edge of an ENE-WSW-trending fracture, which is later filled by zeolite & calcite mineralisation (plan view)
- C Multiple generations of calcite & zeolite mineralisation are suggested by overprinting relationships
 - **D** Incohesive fault gouge fills an ENE-WSW-trending fracture, which is associated with an earlier calcitematrixed breccia (plan view)
 - (A & C are from Verrasundet fjordside, B & D are from the VFC, Finesbekken stream section)







Figure 3.6 Photographs illustrating kinematics associated with fracture infills (taken along the road to Ormsetvatnet Reservoir)

- A NNE-SSW-trending fractures filled with millimetre-thick epidote-rich cataclasites offset the gneissose foliation by 3cm to 2m in a sinistral sense, and are interpreted as R-type Riedel shears. ENE-WSW-trending zeolite and calcite veins offset the earlier-formed cataclasites by 1cm to 4cm in a
 - dextral sense. (White box illustrates area of C). (Plan view). B sketch of photograph in A
 - C enlargement of part of photograph in A (area of white box)





Figure 3.7 Stereographic projections of infilled fractures with slickenfibre lineation data Black squares = fracture planes plotted as poles with mean girdles. Open circles = slickenfibre lineations













Figure 3.8 Photographs of kinematic indicators associated with zeolite/calcite-filled fractures.

A, B, C - zeolite/calcite slickenfibre lineations observed on fracture surfaces trending ENE-WSW (A, B) and N-S (C). (All cross-section view). F - Fibrous infill of intergrown zeolite & calcite within a fracture orientated ENE-WSW suggesting dextral sense of shear (plan view). (A, B, D & E = from Ormsetvatnet reservoir road, C = from 720 Road section, F = from Verrasundet fjordside) D, E - ENE-WSW and E-W trending zeolite-filled fractures offset quartz veins in a dextral sense (plan view).











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BLUE data sets = transects carried out parallel to the trend of the VF

RED data sets = transects carried out perpendicular to VF trend

GREEN data sets = vertical transects

(legends on each graph record the locality number, transect number

Figure 3.11 Spacing 'v' cumulative frequency plots for localites from the Verran Fault Core (loc. 130 & 161) and road section (loc. 139); and the Verrabotn Road (loc. 140). (Map contours are in metres)



Figure 3.12 Mean 'v' standard deviation plot for VF data











Figure 3.14 Exponential exponent data (from graphs plotted in Figures 3.9, 3.10, & 3.11) 'v' perpendicular distance to VFP.

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Figure 3.15 Mean fracture spacing 'v' perpendicular distance to VFP for all three transect orientations.



Figure 3.16 Mean fracture spacing 'v' exponential exponent value for data collected adjacent to the VFP.

- A data plotted on linear axes
- **B** data plotted on logarithmic axes









- Cumulative fracture frequency 'v' distance along 1-dimensional transects orientated both parallel and perpendicular to the VF trend (negative distances represent localities south of the VFP, positive distances represent localities north of the VFP). Figure 3.17
 - A all transects orientated parallel to the MTFC trend.
- B transects orientated parallel to the MTFC from localities to the NW of the VFP.
 - C all transects orientated perpendicular to the MTFC trend.
- D transects orientated perpendicular to the MTFC from localities to the NW of the VFP.


Figure 3.18 Cumulative fracture frequency 'v' distance along perpendicular transect, "step" plots, for selected localities adjacent to the VFP.

A - Location map (contours in metres).
B - Cumulative frequency 'v' distance for perpendicular transect from locality 133, 1300m from VFP.
C - Histogram of fracture frequency 'v' distance along

plotted in **B**). **D** - Cumulative frequency 'v' distance for perpendicular

transect from locality 164, 475m from VFP. **E** - Histogram of fracture frequency 'v' distance along transect, to illustrate fracture clustering (same data set as plotted in **D**).

F - Cumulative frequency 'v' distance for perpendicular transect from locality 157, 500m from VFP. No clustering observed.

G - Histogram of fracture frequency 'v' distance along transect (same data set as plotted in F).













Figure 3.19 ENE-WSW trending zone of closely spaced fractures and high fracture density ~ 500m from VFP. This zone corresponds to a relatively steep slope on the step plot from locality 157 illustrated in Figure 3.17 c & d and Figure 3.18 f & g. Pink coloration is due to zeolite and calcite mineralisation. (cross-section view)



Figure 3.20 Fracture orientations, infills and kinematics data collected adjacent to the EFP (all stereonets are plotted as poles to fracture planes)

A - All fracture orientations measeured adjacent to the EFP. n = 212, mean girdles = 027 37 F, 048 67 S, 098/86 N

- B All filled-fractures adjacent to the EFP. n = 119, mean girdles = 022/36 F, 045/65 S, 098/87 N
- C All fractures filled with epidote-cataclasite adjacent to the EFP. n = 14, mean girdle = 044 66 E
- D All fractures filled with zeolite/calcite adjacent to the EFP. n = 106, mean girdles = 026/38 E, 047/65 S, 098/86 N
- E Fractures filled with epidote-cataclasite with slickenfibre lineations. n = 7, mean girdle = 044/66 E
- F Fractures filled with zeolite/calcite with slickenfibre lineations. n = 29, mean girdles = 046164 S, 097/86 N
- G Distribution of filled-fractures adjacent to the EFP and the VFP









Figure 3.21 Photographs illustrating infilled fractures and kinematic indicators adjacent to the EFP (all from road to Ormsetvatnet reservoir).

- A zeolite mineralisation on a partially exposed fracture surface (plan view).
- B Zeolite veins displaced by zeolite-filled fractures displaying dextral strike-slip (plan view).
- D Dip-slip/oblique zeolite slickenfibres (white arrow) on an ENE-WSW trending fracture plane (cross-section view). C - Dip-slip zeolite slickenfibres (white arrow) on an E-W trending fracture plane (cross-section view).



(transect orientated parallel to EF trend shows 2 slopes, .: 2 equations shown) Spacing 'v' cumulative frequency plot for locality 132b, 1m SW of the EFP Figure 3.22

BLUE data set = transect orientated parallel to the trend of the EFP **RED** data set = transect orientated perpendicular to the trend of the EFP **GREEN** data set = vertical transect







Figure 3.23 Exponential exponent data 'v' distance to VFP for data collected adjacent to the EFP and the VFP.







Figure 3.24 Mean spacing 'v' distance to VFP for data collected adjacent to the EFP and the VFP.









Figure 3.26 Cumulative fracture frequency 'v' distance along transect, "step" plots, for data

A - Location map (contours in metres).

B - Cumulative frequency 'v' distance for transect perpendicular to the MTFC (and EFP) trend. The transect starts at the EFP and is continuous between locality 132b & 132a.

C - Histogram of fracture frequency 'v' distance along transect, to visualise fracture clustering (same data set as plotted in **B**).

D & **E** - as for **B** & **C** but data plotted only 0-5m from EFP to enlarge fracture clustering. **F** - Cumulative frequency 'v' distance for transect parallel to the MTFC (and EFP) trend. Transect carried out \sim 1m to SE of EFP. No clustering seen. **G** - Histogram of fracture frequency 'v' distance along

transect, same data set as plotted in F.

12000 ----■locality 132b ▲locality 132a 10000 ure spacing) (mm) 8000 AAAA MARA 6000 4000 distance along tr 2000 80 -60 -40 20 160 40 120 100 B













- Figure 3.27 Photographs illustrating fracture density adjacent to the EFP (both plan view)
 A Illustrates increased fracture density towards EFP (top left-hand corner of photo)
 (C) = cluster of fractures parallel to EFP and MTFC trend. Orange colouration is zeolite mineralisation
 - B Enlarged view of fault parallel fracture clusters (C). Red/orange colouration is zeolite mineralisation.



NB on each stereonet, the mean plane for the VFP is marked with a black dashed girdle (050/75 S), and the mean plane for the RFP is marked with a black girdle (008/ 81 W)

Figure 3.28 Fracture orientations adjacent to the Rautingdalen Fault

- map of localities (contours are in metres)

2 - stereographic projections of fracture orientations from each locality

3 - all fracture orientations measured adjacent to the RFP

4 - table of fracture orientation data from stereonets A, B, C and D









621-021

691-091

120-126

671-071

130-136

150-158

611-011

601-001

66-06

68-08

62-02

36 84

1990 64

<u>i 1</u>55

Ioc 131c cataclasite



Figure 3.30 Photographs illustrating examples of infilled fractures observed adjacent to the RFP in the Rautingdalen Gorge.

- A epidote-filled fractures
- B zeolite matrixed breccia
- ${\ensuremath{\mathbb C}}$ zeolite and calcite mineralisation



	STEREONET	A	В	C
	Description of data	All infilled fractures measured adjacent to RF	fractures containing epidote/ epidote cataclasite	fractures containing calcite and/or zeolite
	number of data points plotted	278	109	180
Mean girdles to fracture orientation	RED (foliation parallel set)	050/ 69 S	052/65 S 060/68 N	051/ 70 S
	BLUE (NNW-SSE)	148/ 68 W	144/ 78 W	150/65 W
	ORANGE (N-S)	173/ 85 E	172/82 E	179/ 88 W
	GREEN (E-W TO ESE-WNW)	080/ 59 N	-	080/ 52 N 104/ 66 S



Figure 3.31 Infilled fractures adjacent to the RFP.

- A stereonet of all filled-fractures (poles to planes)
- **B** stereonet of all epidote-filled fractures (poles to planes)
- C stereonet of all zeolite/calcite-filled fractures (poles to planes)
- D percentage of filled fractures 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP
- E percentage of filled fractures 'v' perpendicular distance to the RFP



- Figure 3.32 Photographs illustrating the relationship between epidote-rich cataclasite and zeolite/calcite mineralisation adjacent to the RFP (within the Rautingdalen gorge)
 - A Fracture filled with early epidote cataclasite and later zeolite mineralisation (pink-orange colour) (plan view).
 - **B** Zeolite & calcite matrix breccia containing clasts of epidoterich cataclasite (plan view).
- C Fractures containing zeolite & calcite cross-cutting epidoterich cataclasite (cross-section view).





Figure 3.33 Infilled fractures with slickenfibre lineations adjacent to the RFP.

A - fractures containing epidote-rich cataclasite

B - fractures containing zeolite/calcite mineralisation







Figure 3.35 Mean spacing 'v' standard deviation for data collected adjacent to the RFP.



Figure 3.36 A - Co-efficient of variation (Cv) 'v' distance to RFP to illustrate the change in Cv with perpendicular distance to the RFP.

perpendicular distance from VFP (m)

B - Co-efficient of variation (Cv) 'v' distance to VFP to illustrate the change in Cv along the strike of the RFP.







A – exponent from exponential spacing graphs (Figure 3.34) 'v' perpendicular distance to RFP.

B - exponent from exponential spacing graphs (**Figure 3.34**) 'v' perpendicular distance to VFP to illustrate change along strike of the RFP.





Figure 3.38 A – mean spacing 'v' perpendicular distance to RFP
 B – mean spacing 'v' perpendicular distance to VFP (illustrates changes along the strike of RFP)





Figure 3.39 Mean spacing 'v' exponent from exponential spacing graphs plotted on both logarithmic axes (A) and linear axes (B) for data collected adjacent to the RFP.





- **Figure 3.40** Plots of cumulative fracture frequency 'v' distance along 1-dimensional transect for data collected adjacent to the RFP.
 - A transects measured parallel to the MTFC trend
 - \mathbf{B} transects measured perpendicular to the MTFC trend



Figure 3.41 Stereographic projections of fracture orientations from localities to the NW of the HSFP.



Figure 3.43 Von Mises diagrams created for fracture data sets collected NW of the HSFP (same data sets as stereonets illustrated in Figure 3.41) Numbers on each plot correspond to the mean fracture orientations in Figure 3.41, 1 = red girdles, 2 = blue girdles, 3 = orange girdles, 4 = green girdles.

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Figure 3.44 Von Mises diagrams created for fracture data sets collected SE of the HSFP (same data sets as stereonets illustrated in Figure 3.42) Numbers on each plot correspond to the mean fracture orientations in Figure 3.42, 1 = red girdles, 2 = blue girdles, 3 = orange girdles, 4 = green girdles.













Figure 3.46 Zeolite & calcite-filled fractures observed adjacent to the HSFP, from the Hammardalen quarry & 719 road cut localities.



8

400

300

epidote-filled fractures
 zeolite-filled fractures

...

all filled-fractures

Figure 3.47 Infilled fractures observed adjacent to the HSFP.

114/79 S

115 81 S

(E-W to ESE-WNW)

GREEN

of solbrig neol/

E & F = Percentage of filled-fractures at different distances to the HSFP, from Mefjellet (E) and the Hammardalen quarry / 719 road (F) A - D = stereonets (poles to fracture planes) of filled-fractures adjacent to the HSFP. Details are presented in the table

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Figure 3.48 Fractures filled with early epidote cataclasite and later zeolite/calcite mineralisation adjacent to the HSFP from the Hammardalen quarry and 719 road cut localities. (All cross-section view)







Figure 3.50 Slickenfibre lineations observed on fracture planes adjacent to the HSFP
 A - ENE-WSW trending fracture with shallowly plunging epidote slickenfibres
 B - N-S trending fracture with steeply plunging zeolite slickenfibres



Figure 3.51 Fractures filled with epidote-rich cataclasite offsetting quartz veins with a sinistral sense of shear from the Mefjellet section, adjacent to the HSF. (all plan view)



Figure 3.52 N-S trending pseudotachylite-filled fractures offsetting quartz veins with a sinistral sense (from Mefjellet section, adjacent to the HSF) (plan view).



Figure 3.53 Zeolite-filled fractures offsetting a quartz vein in a dextral sense (from Mefjellet section, photograph = plan view). Fracture A = 046/ 86 SE








Figure 3.56 Spacing 'v' cumulative frequency plots for localities near Follavatnet. (map contours are in metres) (graph legends display locality number, transect number and transect orientation) vertical transects



Figure 3.57 Mean spacing 'v' standard deviation plot for HSF data.









Figure 3.59 Exponential exponent values (from graphs plotted in Figure 3.54, Figure 3.55 & Figure 3.56) 'v' distance to HSFP.





Figure 3.60 Mean fracture spacing 'v' distance to HSFP.





 \mathbf{B} – data plotted on logarithmic axes





Figure 3.62 Cumulative frequency 'v' distance along 1-dimensional line transects both
 A - parallel and B -perpendicular to the MTFC trend.
 Negative distances represent localities NW of the HSFP positive distances represent localities SE of the HSFP.



Figure 3.63 Variation in fracture parameters adjacent to the VF, HSF and EF within the MTFC. measured along 1-D line transects

- \mathbf{A} = representative cross-section across the MTFC
- $\mathbf{B} = \text{plot of filled-fractures}$
- \mathbf{C} = exponential exponent plots
- \mathbf{D} = mean spacing plots

(C & D show data for transects orientated both parallel & perpendicular to the MTFC trend)

dashed line = interpreted, no data points

numbers adjacent to peaks = absolute peak value and distance that data was collected from fault plane (VF, EF or HSF)





The mainfaults within the MTFC are indicated in rod. VF = Verran Fault, HSF = Hitra-Snasa Fault, Figure 4.2 Landsat interpretation of faults/fractures within the area of the MTFC used in this study. RF = Rautingdalen Faults, EF = Elvdalen Fault.

The which represents the area of the map presented in Figure 4.8, which represents the area where thin section The green box illustrates the area of the Air Photograph presented in Figures 4.6 & 4.7, and used in this study. The blue box indicates the sample area used to calculate fracture parameters from the Landsat in this study. and outcrop data sets were collected







Figure 4.4 Interpretation of satellite image over the MTFC and surrounding area, Central Norway. The two main strands of the MTFC are indicated in red, VF = Verran Fault, HSF = Hitra-Snasa Fault. (after Rinstad & Gronlie, 1986)



Figure 4.5 Interpretation of satellite image over the area of the MTFC, Central Norway. The two main strands of the MTFC are indicated in red, VF = Verran Fault, HSF = Hitra-Snasa Fault. (after Gronlie & Roberts, 1989)



Figure 4.6 Air photograph over part of the MTFC used in this study for fault/fracture interpretation.
Blue box = area of interpretation presented in Figure 4.7
Red lines = main faults within the MTFC
(VF = Verran fault, RF = Rautingdalen Fault, EF = Elvdalen Fault)



Figure 4.7 Air photograph interpretation of fractures/faults over part of the MTFC used in this study. VF = Verran Fault, RF = Rautingdalen Fault, EF = Elvdalen Fault.The blue box indicates the sample area used to calculate fracture parameters in this study.



Figure 4.8 Map illustrating the areas studied for 2-dimensional fracture attribute analysis from the MTFC. (The area of this map is illustrated in Figure 4.2.)
 Blue box A illustrates the areas for Figure 9a & Figure 11a, HSF localities
 Blue box B illustrates the areas for Figure 9b & Figure 11b, VF and EF localities





locality 132a



locality 132b



locality 86



locality 117



locality 143



locality 144



locality 142

Figure 4.10 Outcrop data sets used for the analysis of fracture attributes in 2-D. $\mathbf{A} \& \mathbf{B} = \text{data sets adjacent to EF}$ $\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{L} = \text{data sets adjacent to HSF}$ M - Z = data sets adjacent to VF(see Table 4.1 for details)

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locality 108



locality 145



locality 159



locality 159

L



locality 160

Figure 4.10 Outcrop data sets used for the analysis of fracture attributes in 2-D.
A & B = data sets adjacent to EF
C - L = data sets adjacent to HSF
M - Z = data sets adjacent to VF (see Table 4.1 for details)
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locality 28a/164 photo 2



locality 28c photo 2



locality 28a/164 photo 1



locality 28c photo 1



locality 49



locality 133



locality 138

Figure 4.10 Outcrop data sets used for the analysis of fracture attributes in 2-D. A & B = data sets adjacent to EF C - L = data sets adjacent to HSF M - Z = data sets adjacent to VF

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locality 46



locality 48i (gneiss)



locality 139 photo 1



locality 140



locality 137



locality 48i (amphibolite)



locality 139 photo 2

Figure 4.10 Outcrop data sets used for the analysis of fracture attributes in 2-D.
A & B = data sets adjacent to EF
C - L = data sets adjacent to HSF
M - Z = data sets adjacent to VF (see Table 4.1 for details)
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Figure 4.12 Thin-section data sets used to analyse fracture attributes.
A - F = data sets adjacent to the HSFP
(unfortunately section HS3b which was also used is
broken and unable to be photographed or scanned)
G - K = data sets adjacent to the VFP
(see Table 4.2 for details)
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Figure 4.12 Thin-section data sets used to analyse fracture attributes.

 $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{F} = \text{data sets adjacent to the HSFP}$

- $\mathbf{G} \mathbf{K} =$ data sets adjacent to the VFP
 - (G & H are only parts of the thin-section used, as the original sections are too large to scan)

(see Table 4.2 for details)

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Figure 4.13 Landsat interpretation over the MTFC used in this study

VF = Verran Fault, HSF = Hitra-Snasa Fault, EF = Elvdalen Fault, RF = Rautingdalen Fault.

Blue box = sample area

Red lines = transects used to measure fracture spacings (6 x 060, parallel to MTFC trend, 6 x 150 perpendicular to MTFC trend) Green lines = transects used to calculate mean spacing ellipse, (transects every 30 degrees across the Landsat interpretation)



Figure 4.14 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture spacing plot for transects orientated 060° across the Landsat[™] image



Figure 4.15 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions and mean fracture spacing values from transects orientated 060° across the Landsat[™] image (numbers indicate 060° transects from **Figure 4.13**)



Figure 4.16 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture spacing plot for transects orientated 150° across the Landsat[™] image



Figure 4.17 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions and mean spacing values from transects orientated 150° across the Landsat[™] image (numbers indicate 150° transects from Figure 4.13)



Figure 4.18 Mean spacing ellipse created from the Landsat[™] image.

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Figure 4.19 Air photograph interpretation over part of the MTFC used in this study, VF = Verran Fault, EF = Elvdalen Fault, RF = Rautingdalen Fault.
Blue box = sample area
Red lines = transects used to measure fracture spacings (6 x 050, parallel to MTFC trend.

Red lines = transects used to measure fracture spacings (6 x 050, parallel to MTFC trend, 6×140 perpendicular to MTFC trend)

Green lines = transects used to calculate mean spacing ellipse, (transects every 30 degrees across the Landsat interpretation)



Figure 4.20 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture spacing plot for transects orientated 050° across the air photograph data set



Figure 4.21 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions and mean spacing values from transects orientated 050° across the air photograph data set (numbers indicate 050° transects from Figure 4.19)

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Figure 4.22 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture spacing plot for transect orientated 140° across the air photograph data set



Figure 4.23 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions and mean spacing values from transects orientated 140° across the air photograph data set (numbers indicate 140° transects from Figure 4.19)



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Figure 4.24 Mean spacing ellipse created from the Air Photograph data set.







BLUE data sets = transects orientated parallel to the HSF (and MTFC) trend **RED** data sets = transects orientated perpendicular to the HSF and (MTFC) trend



Figure 4.26 Mean fracture spacing 'v' standard deviation for data collected adjacent to the HSFP at outcrop scale.



Figure 4.27 Co-efficient of variation 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP for all outcrop data collected from the HSF



Figure 4.28 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP for **a**) transects orientated parallel to the MTFC trend, and **b**) transects orientated perpendicular to the MTFC trend.



Figure 4.29 Mean spacing data from outcrop data sets, plotted with the range of spacing values, at various distances from the HSFP.

NW

distance to HSF (m)

SE

- a) transects orientated parallel to the HSF (and MTFC) trend,
- b) transects orientated parallel to the HSF (and MTFC) trend



Figure 4.30 Mean spacing ellipses created for horizontal outcrop data sets adjacent to the HSFP. **a**) – localities south of the HSFP, **b**) – localities north of the HSFP.



Figure 4.31 Fracture density (total number of fractures /cm²) 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, for outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP



Figure 4.32 Cumulative frequency 'v' spacing plots for outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the VFP. Data measured from outcrop photographs.
 BLUE data sets = transects orientated parallel to the VF (and MTFC) trend
 RED data sets = transects orientated perpendicular to the VF (and MTFC) trend
 GREEN data sets = vertical transects

spacing (mm)

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Figure 4.32 Cumulative frequency 'v' spacing plots for outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the VFP. Data measured from outcrop photographs.
 BLUE data sets = transects orientated parallel to the VF (and MTFC) trend
 RED data sets = transects orientated perpendicular to the VF (and MTFC) trend
 GREEN data sets = vertical transects

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Figure 4.33 Mean fracture spacing 'v' standard deviation for data collected adjacent to the VFP at outcrop scale



Figure 4.34 Co-efficient of variation 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP for data collected at outcrop scale





A

a)



Figure 4.36 Mean spacing 'v' perpendicular distance to VFP from outcrop data sets a) transects orientated parallel to the VF (and MTFC), b) transects orientated perpendicular to the VF (and MTFC),

c) vertical transects.



Figure 4.37 Mean spacing ellipses created for horizontal outcrop data sets adjacent to the VFP











BLUE data sets = transects orientated parallel to the EF (and MTFC) trend **RED** data sets = transects orientated perpendicular to the EF (and MTFC) trend



Figure 4.40 Mean spacing 'v' standard deviation for data collected adjacent to the EFP at outcrop scale



Figure 4.41 Co-efficient of variation 'v' perpendicular distance to the EFP for data collected at outcrop scale



Figure 4.42 Mean spacing ellipses created for localities adjacent to the EFP.
a) locality 132a, 10m from EFP, b) locality 132b, 1m from EFP,
c) localities 132a & 132b plotted on the same axes to illustrate their relative sizes and shapes (all spacings measured in mm)



Figure 4.43 Fracture density plot for all data sets collected at outcrop scale











Figure 4.44 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture spacing plots for thin section data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP

BLUE data sets = transects orientated parallel to the HSF (and MTFC) trend **RED** data sets = transects orientated perpendicular to the HSF (and MTFC) trend



Figure 4.45 Mean spacing 'v' standard deviation for data sets collected at thin section scale adjacent to the HSFP



Figure 4.46 Co-efficient of variation 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP for data sets collected at thin section scale.





Figure 4.47 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP for data collected at thin section scale along **a**) transects orientated perpendicular to the MTFC trend (150°) and **b**) transects orientated parallel to the MTFC trend (060°).



Figure 4.48 Mean fracture spacing and range of spacing values 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP at thin section scale for **a**) transects orientated perpendicular to the MTFC (150°) and **b**) for transects orientated parallel to the MTFC (060°)



Figure 4.49 Mean spacing ellipses created for outcrop data sets adjacent to the HSFP at thin section scale. (Mean spacings are measured in mm.)
 a) - localities south of the HSFP, b) - localities north of the HSFP



Figure 4.50 Fracture density (total number of fractures / cm²) 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, for thin section data sets adjacent to the HSFP



Figure 4.51 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture spacing graphs for thin section data sets collected adjacent to the VFP

BLUE data sets = transects orientated parallel to the VF (and MTFC) trend **RED** data sets = transects orientated perpendicular to the VF (and MTFC) trend



Figure 4.52 Mean fracture spacing 'v' standard deviation for thin section data sets collected adjacent to the VFP.



Figure 4.53 Co-efficient of variation 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, for thin section data sets



Figure 4.54 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data.

a) - transects orientated parallel to the MTFC trend (060°),

b) - transects orientated perpendicular to the MTFC trend (150°)



Figure 4.55 Mean spacing and range of spacing values 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data. **a**) – transects orientated parallel to the MTFC trend (060°), **b**) - transects orientated perpendicular to the MTFC trend (150°)



Figure 4.56 Mean spacing ellipses created for thin section data sets adjacent to the VFP. (Mean spacings are measured in mm.)



Figure 4.57 Fracture density 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP for thin section data



Figure 4.58 Fracture density plot for all data collected at thin section scale



Figure 4.59 Fracture density plot for all data collected at the Landsat[™] data set, the air photograph data set and all data from outcrop and thin section scales



Figure 4.60Plot of cumulative frequency 'v' fracture length for data collected from the
LandsatTM image.



Figure 4.61 Plot of cumulative frequency 'v' fracture length for data collected from the air photograph data set.





Figure 4.62 Cumulative frequency 'v' length plots for outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSF.

PINK = exponential data sets ORANGE = power-law data sets Data sets in green boxes, represent two graphs for the same locality



Figure 4.63 Graph illustrating the change in best-fitting fracture length distribution adjacent to the HSFP at outcrop scale



Figure 4.64 Exponent values from exponential fracture length distributions 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, for outcrop data sets



Figure 4.65 Exponent values from power-law fracture length distributions 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, for outcrop data sets



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Figure 4.66 Mean fracture length and range of length values 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, outcrop data sets



Figure 4.67 Fracture intensity 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, outcrop data sets



Figure 4.68Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture length plots for outcrop data sets
collected adjacent to the VFP
PINK = data sets best-fitted to an exponential distribution
ORANGE = data sets best-fitted to a power-law distribution
Data sets in green boxes represent two graphs for the same locality

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Figure 4.68Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture length plots for outcrop data sets
collected adjacent to the VFP
PINK = data sets best-fitted to an exponential distribution
ORANGE = data sets best-fitted to a power-law distribution
Data sets in green boxes represent two graphs for the same locality

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Figure 4.70 Exponents values from exponential length distributions plotted against the perpendicular distance to the VFP for outcrop data sets adjacent to the VFP & EFP.



Figure 4.71 Exponent values from power-law length distributions plotted against the perpendicular distance to the VFP



Figure 4.72 Mean fracture length and range of length values 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, outcrop data.



Figure 4.73 Fracture intensity 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, outcrop data.





Figure 4.74 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture length plots for a) locality 132a (10m from the EFP) and b) 132b (1m from the EFP)

a)















Figure 4.77 Fracture density 'v' fracture intensity for outcrop data sets measured adjacent to the VFP and the HSFP. a) data plotted on logarithmic axes,b) data plotted on linear axes







Figure 4.78 Cumulative frequency 'v' length plots for thin section data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP ORANGE = data sets that can be fitted to a power-law distributionPINK = data sets that can be fitted to an exponential distribution

Data sets in preen hoxes represent two graphs from the same locality



Figure 4.79 Exponential exponent values plotted against the perpendicular distance to the HSFP, for fracture length data sets collected at thin section scale



Figure 4.80 Exponent values from power-law fracture length distributions 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, for data collected at thin section scale



Figure 4.81 Mean fracture length data plotted with the range of fracture length values at various distances from the HSFP, for data collected at thin section scale



Figure 4.82 Fracture intensity values plotted against the perpendicular distance to the HSFP for data collected at thin section scale









Figure 4.83 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture length plots for thin section data sets collected adjacent to the VFP.
 PINK data sets = best-fitted to an exponential distribution
 ORANGE data sets = best-fitted to a power-law distribution
 Data sets in green boxes, represent two graphs from the same locality



Figure 4.84 Exponent values from power-law (PL) length distributions 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data sets.



Figure 4.85 Mean fracture length and the ranges of fracture length values 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data sets







Figure 4.87 Exponent values from exponential length distributions 'v' mean length for data collected from thin sections adjacent to the HSFP and the VFP



Figure 4.88 Exponent values from exponential length distributions 'v' fracture intensity for data collected from thin sections adjacent to the HSFP and the VFP



Figure 4.89 Fracture density 'v' fracture intensity for data collected adjacent to the HSFP and the VFP at thin section scale



Figure 4.90 Exponent values from exponential length distributions 'v' mean fracture length values for thin section & outcrop data sets adjacent to HSFP, VFP & EFP



Figure 4.91 Exponent values from exponential length distributions 'v' fracture intensity for data from thin section and outcrop scales adjacent to the HSFP, VFP and EFP



Figure 4.92 Fracture density 'v' fracture intensity values for data from thin section, outcrop, air photograph and Landsat data sets


Figure 4.93 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture length plots for data from the Landsat[™], air photograph, outcrop and thin section data sets. The best-fitting power-law relationship is calculated using different data, a) all individual data sets (power-law or exponential), b) all data sets that could be best-fitted to a power-law relationship, c) data sets that are best-fitted to a power-law relationship only. The tables adjacent to the graphs detail the number of data points used.







TS = thin section OC = outcrop AP = air photographLS = Landsat

Figure 4.95 Plots to investigate fracture length scale-invariance within the data sets collected from the MTFC at all data scales.

- a) Data scale 'v' normalised modal fracture length all data scales
- b) Data scale 'v' normalised modal fracture length -without thin section data
- c) Box size (= $\sqrt{\text{fracture map area}}$ 'v' normalised modal fracture length
- d) Data scale 'v' fracture intensity



Figure 4.96 Relative percentages of total number of fractures contained in single, small and large clusters 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, outcrop data set.



Figure 4.97 Relative percentages of the total fracture length contained in single, small and large clusters 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP. outcrop data set



Figure 4.98 Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, outcrop data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open diamonds.



Figure 4.99 Total number of nodes per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, outcrop data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open diamonds.



Figure 4.100 Total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area) 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, outcrop data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open diamonds.



Figure 4.101 Total number of nodes per cm² 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, outcrop data set.



Figure 4.102 Relative percentages of total number of fractures contained in single, small and large clusters adjacent to the VFP, outcrop data set.



Figure 4.103 Relative percentages of total fracture length contained in single, small and large clusters adjacent to the VFP, outcrop data set.



Figure 4.104 Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, outcrop data set. Black circles represent values from the largest cluster in each VF data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open circles.



Figure 4.105 Total number of nodes per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, outcrop data set. Black circles represent values from the largest cluster in each VF data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open circles.



Figure 4.106 Total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area) 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, outcrop data set. Black circles represent values from the largest cluster in each VF data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open circles.



Figure 4.107 Total number of nodes per cm² 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, outcrop data set. Black circles represent values from the largest cluster in each VF data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open circles.







Figure 4.109 Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area) for all outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP, VFP and EFP.



Figure 4.110 Total number of nodes per cluster 'v' total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area) for all outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP, VFP and EFP.



Figure 4.111 Histogram of the total number of fractures per node in a cluster for all outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP, VFP and EFP.



Figure 4.112 Histogram of the total number of nodes per fracture in a cluster for all outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP, VFP and EFP.



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Figure 4.114 Fracture intensity 'v' fracture connectivity for all data sets collected at outcrop scale adjacent to the VFP, HSFP & EFP. a) data plotted on logarithmic axes, b) data plotted on linear axes.

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Figure 4.115 Histogram of the total number of nodes per fracture in a cm² for all outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP, VFP and EFP.



Figure 4.116 Histogram of the total number of fractures per node in a cm² for all outcrop data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP, VFP and EFP.





Figure 4.117 Exponent values from exponential fracture length distributions 'v' total number of nodes per cm² (connectivity).

- a) data plotted on logarithmic axes
- b) data plotted on linear axes



Figure 4.118 Exponent values from power-law fracture length distributions 'v' total number of nodes per cm² (connectivity), plotted on linear axes



Figure 4.119 Histogram of power-law exponent values from fracture length data collected at outcrop scale adjacent to faults within the MTFC.



Figure 4.120 Relative percentages of total number of fractures contained in single, small and large clusters 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, thin section data set.



Figure 4.121 Relative percentages of total fracture length contained in single, small and large clusters 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, thin section data set.



Figure 4.122 Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, thin section data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open squares.



Figure 4.123 Total number of nodes per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, thin section data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open squares.



Figure 4.124 Total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area) 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, thin section data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open squares.



Figure 4.125 Total number of nodes per cm² 'v' perpendicular distance to the HSFP, thin section data set



Figure 4.126 Relative percentages of total number of fractures contained in single, small and large clusters adjacent to the VFP, thin section data set



Figure 4.127 Relative percentages of total fracture length contained in single, small and large clusters adjacent to the VFP, thin section data set



Figure 4.128 Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open squares.



Figure 4.129 Total number of nodes per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open squares.



Figure 4.130 Total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area) 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data set. Black squares represent values from the largest cluster in each data set. In some data sets small clusters also occur, represented by open squares.



Figure 4.131 Total number of nodes per cm² 'v' perpendicular distance to the VFP, thin section data set





adjacent to the VFP, HSFP and EFP



Figure 4.133 Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area), for thin section data sets collected adjacent to the VFP and the HSFP



Figure 4.134 Total number of nodes per cluster 'v' total fracture cluster length (normalised for sample area), for thin section data sets collected adjacent to the VFP and the HSFP



Figure 4.135 Histogram of the total number of fractures per node in a cluster for all thin section data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP and the VFP.



Figure 4.136 Histogram of the total number of nodes per fracture in a cluster for all thin section data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP and the VFP.



Figure 4.137 Total number of nodes per cm² (fracture connectivity) 'v' total number of fractures per cm² (fracture density) for all thin section data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP and the VFP



Figure 4.138 Total number of nodes per cm² (fracture connectivity) 'v' total fracture length per cm² (fracture intensity) for all thin section data sets collected adjacent to the HSFP and the VFP



Figure 4.139 Histogram of the total number of fractures per node in a cm², for all thin section data sets adjacent to the VFP and the HSFP



Figure 4.140 Histogram of the total number of nodes per fracture in a cm², for all thin section data sets adjacent to the VFP and the HSFP



Figure 4.141 Exponent values from exponential fracture length distributions 'v' total number of nodes per cm².
a) data plotted on logarithmic axes, b) data plotted on linear axes



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Figure 4.142 Exponent values from power-law fracture length distributions 'v' total number of nodes per cm²



Figure 4.143 Histogram of power-law exponent values from the length data collected at thin section scale adjacent to faults within then MTFC





at thin section and outcrop scales, and from the air photograph and LandsatTM data sets, MTFC.



Figure 4.145 Histogram of the total number of nodes per fracture in a cluster for data sets measured adjacent to the VFP, HSFP and EFP from thin section, outcrop, air photograph and Landsat[™] data sets

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Figure 4.146 Histogram of the total number of fractures per node in a cluster for data sets measured adjacent to the VFP, HSFP and EFP from thin section, outcrop, air photograph and Landsat[™] data sets



Figure 4.147 Fracture density 'v' fracture connectivity for data from all four scales (Landsat, air photograph, outcrop and thin section)



Figure 4.148 Fracture intensity 'v' fracture connectivity for data from all four scales (Landsat, air photograph, outcrop and thin section)



Figure 4.149 Histogram of the total number of nodes per fracture in a cm² for data sets measured adjacent to the VFP, HSFP and EFP from thin section, outcrop, air photograph and Landsat[™] data sets



Figure 4.150 Histogram of the total number of fractures per node in a cm² for data sets measured adjacent to the VFP, HSFP and EFP from thin section, outcrop, air photograph and Landsat[™] data sets



Figure 4.151 Exponent values from exponential fracture length distributions 'v' total number of nodes per cm² for data from thin section and outcrop scales, the air photograph and the Landsat[™] image



Figure 4.152 Exponent values from power-law fracture length distributions 'v' total number of nodes per cm² for data from thin section and outcrop scales, the air photograph and the Landsat[™] image







Figure 4.154 Variation in fracture spacing parameters adjacent to HSF, VF & EF within MTFC measured from 1-D transects across 2-D data sets.

A = representative cross-section across the MTFC

B - \mathbf{C} = exponential exponent plots from outcrop and thin section data sets

 $\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{E} =$ fracture density plots from outcrop and thin section data sets

dashed line = interpreted, no data points

numbers adjacent to peaks = absolute peak value and distance that data was collected from fault plane (VF, EF or HSF)



Figure 4.155 Variation in fracture length parameters adjacent to HSF, VF & EF within MTFC from 2-D data sets.

 \mathbf{A} = representative cross-section across the MTFC

B - \mathbf{C} = exponential exponent plots from outcrop and thin section data sets

 $\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{E} =$ fracture intensity plots from outcrop and thin section data sets

dashed line = interpreted, no data points

numbers adjacent to peaks = absolute peak value and distance that data was collected from fault plane (VF, EF or HSF)




- \mathbf{A} = representative cross-section across the MTFC
- B-C = total number of fractures & nodes per cluster from outcrop & thin section data set
- D-E = fracture connectivity plots (total number of nodes per cm2) from outcrop and thin section data sets

dashed line = interpreted, no data points **numbers adjacent to peaks** = absolute peak value and distance that data was collected from fault plane (VF, EF or HSF)



WBF=Walls Boundary Fault, GGF=Great Glen Fault, MTFC=Møre-Trøndelag Fault Complex, VG= Viking Graben, WSB=West Shetland Basin, FSB=Faroe Shetland Basin, WT=Westray Transfer, JML=Jan Mayen Lineament, H=Halten Terrace

Figure 5.1 Map to show the location of the Shetland Isles and the major offshore basins of the Northeast Atlantic margin (adapted from Dore et al., 1997, and Watts 2001).



Figure 5.2 Map to show the location of the three major faults on Shetland. (After Flinn, 1977)



Figure 5.3 Geological map of the North Roe area, west of the Walls Boundary Fault (WBF) VSZ = Virdbeck shear zone, WKSZ = Wester Keolka shear zone

(adapted from Flinn 1985).



Figure 5.4 Map showing the location of Caledonian and older basement rocks of the Shetland Islands (after Watts 2001).



Figure 5.5 Geological map to show the location of Devonian sedimentary rocks and plutonic complexes on Shetland (after Watts 2001)



b) Ollaberry c) Sullom d) Bixter e) Sand.



Figure 5.7 Photograph illustrating the Back Sand section, on the northern side of the Ollaberry peninsula (there is a person on the beach for scale). The headland in the background is comprised of pink-coloured granite. The steep cliffs in the foreground are comprised of the Queyfirth group



Figure 5.8 Photographs of the Walls Boundary Fault Plane, exposed on the Back Sand section at Ollaberry.
A - looking North along the WBFP, B - looking SSE onto the WBFP



Figure 5.9 The core of the Walls Boundary Fault exposed at Sullom, on the southern side of the Ness of Haggrister, containing the WBFP (photograph taken looking N)



Figure 5.10 Photograph illustrating the Aith Voe Fault Plane, exposed at Sand locality. (photograph taken looking N)



within basement rocks (sub-vertical surface).



Figure 5.12 Diagram to show the relative kinematic histories for the Walls Boundary, Nestings and Melby Faults. with suggested timings based on field and offshore evidence.







			Stereonets		
	A	В	C	D	E
Place	Ollaberry	Ollaberry	Ollaberry	Ollaberry	Ollaberry
Locality	OL30	0L29	0L25	0L24	01.27
Distance to WBFP	1300m	170m	130m	50m	30m
no. data points	06	43	42	96	64
lithology	pelite	pelite	pelite	pelite	pelite
foliation orientation	018/ 66 E	003/ 84 W	178/54 E	179/54 E	012/ 50 E
fracture orientation clusters identified	016/74 S	none	none	none	none

A - E = stereographic projections of fracture orientations (details of which are Figure 6.2 Fracture orientation data measured adjacent to the WBFP within pelite given in the table), from localities illustrated on the map





	Stereonet		
	A	В	С
Place	Bixter	Bixter	Bixter
Locality	BI 2	BI I	BI 9
Distance to WBFP	535m	400m	100m
no. data points	77	99	126
lithology	sandstone	sandstone	sandstone
fracture orientation clusters identified	none	none	none



Figure 6.3 Fracture orientation data measured adjacent to the WBFP within sandstoneA - C = stereographic projections of fracture orientations (details of which are given in the table), from localities illustrated on the map











decreasing distance to the WBFP

			Stereonet	
		A	В	C
	Place	Sullom	Sullom	Sullom
	Locality	SU3	SU4	SU12
	Distance to WBFP	245m	150m	15m
	no. data points	54	67	142
	lithology	calci	reous meta-sedin	ients
	foliation orientation	130/ 50 N	131/47 N	174/ 84 E
racture	foliation parallel (blue)	125/48 N	134/35 N	*
entation	WBFP parallel (red)	010/ 54 W		
lusters entified	other (green)	054/ 80 S	060/ 80 S 052/ 66 N	£

Figure 6.4 Fracture orientation data measured adjacent to the WBFP within calcareous metasediments A - C = stereographic projections of fracture orientations (details of which are given in the table), from localities illustrated on the map







		Stereonets	
	V	В	с С
Place	Sullom	Sullom	Sullom
Locality	SU18	SU17	SU21
Distance to WBFP	15m	225m	280m
no. data points	126	82	66
lithology	granite	granite	granite
racture orientation clusters identified	none	none	018/80 E

A - C = stereographic projections of fracture orientations (details of which are Figure 6.5 Fracture orientation data measured adjacent to the WBFP within granite given in the table), from localities illustrated on the map



Figure 6.6 Filled-fractures recorded within lithologies adjacent to the WBFP $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{E} =$ stereonets for each lithology, different infills identified $\mathbf{F} - \mathbf{J} =$ infill 'v' distance plots for each lithology



D - calcite-filled fractures within calcareous metasediments from Sullom locality $\mathbf E \ \mathbf{\&} \ \mathbf F$ - iron-filled fractures within psammite from Ollaberry locality C - quartz-filled fractures within sandstone from Bixter locality (A - D = plan view, E - F = sub-vertical surface)



Figure 6.8 Cumulative frequency 'v' spacing plots for localities adjacent to the WBFP continued on next 2 pages)

 $\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{F} =$ fractures measured within calcareous metasediments A - C = fractures measured within sandstone

G - I = fractures measured within granite

J - O = fractures measured within psammite

P - U = fractures measured within pelite

red data sets represent transects orientated perpendicular to the WBFP blue data sets represent transects orientated parallel to the WBFP green data sets represent vertical transects



Figure 6.8 Cumulative frequency 'v' spacing plots for localities adjacent to the WBFP continued from previous page and continued on next page)

A - C = fractures measured within sandstone

 \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{F} = fractures measured within calcareous metasediments

G - **I** = fractures measured within granite

J - **O** = fractures measured within psammite

 $\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{U} =$ fractures measured within pelite

blue data sets represent transects orientated parallel to the WBFP red data sets represent transects orientated perpendicular to the WBFP green data sets represent vertical transects

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Figure 6.8 Cumulative frequency 'v' spacing plots for localities adjacent to the WBFP

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A - C = fractures measured within sandstone

 $\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{F} =$ fractures measured within calcareous metasediments

G - I = fractures measured within granite

J - O = fractures measured within psammite

P - U = fractures measured within pelite

blue data sets represent transects orientated parallel to the WBFP red data sets represent transects orientated perpendicular to the WBFP green data sets represent vertical transects





Figure 6.9 Mean spacing 'v' standard deviation plots (distinguished for different lithologies) for data collected adjacent to the WBFP.
 A – all data sets, B – data sets with mean spacing values of 100mm or less.



Figure 6.10 Co-efficient of variation (Cv) plots for data collected adjacent to the WBFP. a) Cv values plotted for individual lithologies

- **b**) Cv values plotted against perpendicular distance to the WBFP, distinguished for individual lithologies
- c) Cv values plotted against perpendicular distance to the WBFP, distinguished for transect orientation



- Exponent values from exponential data sets plotted against the perpendicular distance to the WBFP for different lithologies, and separated into different transect orientations. Figure 6.11
 - a) all exponent values from transects orientated perpendicular to the WBFP
- b) exponent values <0.2 from transects orientated perpendicular to the WBFP
 - c) all exponent values from transects orientated parallel to the WBFP
- d) -all exponent values from vertical transects











Figure 6.13 Mean spacing values plotted against exponent values from exponential spacing distributions, distinguished for lithology.
 a) – data plotted on logarithmic axes, b) – data plotted on linear axes.



A, C, E & G = transects orientated parallel to the WBFP, B, D, F & H = transects orientated perpendicular to the WBFP A & B = psammite, C & D = pelite, E & F = sandstone, F & H = calcareous metasediments and granite.

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Data sets are separated by lithology and transect orientation. Each transect is labelled with the locality name and distance to the WBFP. A, C, E & G = transects orientated parallel to the WBFP, B, D, F & H = transects orientated perpendicular to the WBFP A& B = psammite, C& D = pelite, E& F = sandstone, F& H = calcareous metasediments and granite.

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A & B illustrate closely spaced fault-parallel fractures located 50m and 170m west of the WBFP respectively C & D illustrate wider spaced and more irregular fault-parallel fractures located 45m west of the WBFP Figure 6.15 Fault-parallel fractures observed adjacent to the WBFP at Ollaberry within psammite

photograph located 45m west of WBF at locality OL28 (see map in Figure 6.

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	Stereonets		
	A	В	С
Place	Sand	Sand	Sand
Locality	SA 7	SA 6	SA 3
Distance to WBFP	15m	240m	400m
no, data points	129	73	75
lithology	granite	granite	granite
fracture orientation clusters identified	poles to fracture planes lie on a girdle orientated 084/ 50 S	100/ 60 N	050/ 67 N 099/ 88 S









Figure 6.18 Zeolite-filled fractures observed adjacent to the AVFP at locality SA 7.

- Figure 6.17 Filled-fractures observed adjacent to the AVF
 - A stereonet from locality SA7 B stereonet from locality SA6
- C Percentage of filled fractures at different distances to the AVFP



Figure 6.19 Cumulative frequency 'v' spacing plots for localities adjacent to the AVFP (blue data sets = transects parallel to the AVFP, red data sets = transects perpendicular to the AVFP, green data sets = vertical transects).



Figure 6.20 Mean spacing values 'v' standard deviation from data sets collected adjacent to the AVFP.



Figure 6.21 Co-efficient of variation values (Cv) 'v' perpendicular distance to the AVFP for data sets collected adjacent to the AVFP.



Figure 6.22 Exponential exponent values from spacing graphs 'v' perpendicular distance to the AVFP, for data sets collected adjacent to the AVFP.



Figure 6.23 Mean spacing values 'v' perpendicular distance to the AVFP.











Figure 6.25 Cumulative frequency 'v' distance along 1-dimensional line transects carried out adjacent to the AVFP within granite.
a) transects orientated parallel to the AVFP, b) transects orientated perpendicular to the AVFP, c) vertical transects





n = 104

n = 236




Figure 6.27 Filled fractures within calcareous metasediments to the west of the Nestings Fault Plane, on the northern shore of Wadbister Voe.

- A stereonet showing N-S fractures filled with quartz
 - and ENE-WSW fractures filled with calcite
- B percentage of filled fractures 'v' distance plot
- C photograph illustrating N-S quartz-filled fractures D - photograph illustrating ENE-WSW calcite-filled fracture





Figure 6.28 Cumulative frequency 'v' fracture spacing plots for data sets collected adjacent to the NFP A - C = data sets collected to the west of the NFP within calcareous metasediments $\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{F} = data$ sets collected to the east of the NFP within psammite

blue data sets represent transects orientated parallel to the NFP red data sets represent transects orientated perpendicular to the NFP green data sets represent vertical transects



Figure 6.29 Mean spacing 'v' standard deviation plot from data sets collected adjacent to the NFP.



Figure 6.30 Co-efficient of variation values (Cv) 'v' perpendicular distance to the NFP for data sets collected adjacent to the NFP.



Figure 6.31 Exponential exponent values from spacing graphs 'v' perpendicular distance to the NFP, for data sets collected adjacent to the NFP.



Figure 6.32 Mean spacing values 'v' perpendicular distance to the NFP, for data sets collected adjacent to the NFP.





Figure 6.33 Mean spacing values plotted against exponent values from exponential spacing distributions, distinguished for lithology, for data sets collected adjacent to the NFP.

 \mathbf{a}) – data plotted on linear axes, \mathbf{b}) – data plotted on logarithmic axes.

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Figure 6.34 Cumulative frequency 'v' distance along 1-dimensional line transects carried out adjacent to the NFP within psammite and calcareous metasediments.a) transects orientated parallel to the NFP,

b) transects orientated perpendicular to the NFP









				Stereor	nets		
		V	B	C	D	E	F
Place		Melby	Melby	Melby	Melby	McIby	Melby
Locality		ME 8	ME 2	ME 3	ME 5	ME 4	ME 10 & ME 11
Distance ta	MPP	660m	225m	150m	70m	140m	>1500m
Number of dat	a noints	57	86	107	96	78	128
inchala lithalaan		Volcani-clastics	Volcani-clastics	Volcani-clastics	Basement	Basement	Basement
foliation arier	utation	165/70 W	050/ 70 NW	049/ 69 NW	043/48.SE	005/42 E	openly folded
feactures arientation	MFP parallel		044/75 W	044/74 W	041/47 E		
clusters identified	other	165/78 W		161/57 W			4



Figure 6.35 Fracture orientation data collected adjacent to the MFP







Figure 6.37 Cumulative frequency 'v' spacing plots for localities adjacent to the MFP A - D = data sets collected from basement rocks

 $\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{G} =$ data sets collected from volcani-clastic rocks

(blue data sets = transects parallel to the MFP, red data sets = transects perpendicular to the MFP, green data sets = vertical transects).



Figure 6.38 Mean spacing values 'v' standard deviation from data sets collected adjacent to the MFP.



Figure 6.39 Co-efficient of variation values (Cv) 'v' perpendicular distance to the MFP for data sets collected adjacent to the MFP.



Figure 6.40 Exponential exponent values from spacing graphs 'v' perpendicular distance to the MFP, for data sets collected adjacent to the MFP.



Figure 6.41 Mean spacing values 'v' perpendicular distance to the MFP, for data sets collected adjacent to the MFP.





Figure 6.42 Mean spacing values plotted against exponent values from exponential spacing distributions, distinguished for lithology, for data sets collected adjacent to the MFP.

a) – data plotted on linear axes, b) – data plotted on logarithmic axes.





Figure 6.43 Cumulative frequency 'v' distance along 1-dimensional line transects carried out adjacent to the MFP within basement (to the east) and volcani-clastics (to the west).

- a) transects orientated parallel to the MFP,
- b) transects orientated perpendicular to the MFP,



Figure 6.44 Mean 'v' standard deviation plot for spacing data collected along 1-D line transects adjacent to the WBF, AVF, NF and MF, within all lithologies



Figure 6.46 Mean spacing 'v' exponent from exponential spacing graphs, for data collected adjacent to all faults, and within all lithologies





Figure 6.45 Exponential exponent values from (A) parallel, and (B) perpendicular transects carried out within all lithologies adjacent to the WBF (black symbols), AVF (blue symbols), NF (red symbols), and MF (green symbols).



OL24 (psammite)



OL25 (psammite)



OL30 photo 1 (psammite)



OL30 photo 2 (psammite)



OL24 (pelite)

OL29 (pelite)

Figure 7.1 Outcrop data sets used to analyse fracture attributes in 2-D adjacent to faults in WBFS A - D = psammite, Ollaberry (WBF) E & F = pelite, Ollaberry (WBF) G & H = granite, Sullom (WBF) I & J = sandstone, Bixter (WBF) K & L = calc. sil. Wadbister Voe (NF) M & N - psammite Wadbister Voe (NF)

- O Q =granite, Sand (AVF)
- R & S = volcani-clastics, Melby (MF)
- T W = basement, Melby (MF)

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SU21 (granite)



SU21 (granite)



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BI 1 (sandstone)

BI 6 (sandstone)



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WA16 (calc. sil.)



WA17 (calc. sil.)



WA19 (psammite)



WA20 (psammite)



SA3 (granite)



SA6 (granite)



SA7 (granite)

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ME 2







ME 4



ME 5



ME 10

ME 11

Figure 7.1 Outcrop data sets used to analyse fracture attributes in 2-D adjacent to faults in WBFS A - D = psammite, Ollaberry (WBF) E & F = pelite, Ollaberry (WBF)G & H = granite, Sullom (WBF)G & H = granite, Sullom (WBF) I & J = sandstone, Bixter (WBF) K & L = calc. sil. Wadbister Voe (NF) M & N = psammite Wadbister Voe (NF) O - Q = granite, Sand (AVF) R & S = volcani-clastics, Melby (MF) T - W = basement, Melby (MF)

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f) Map of Shetland showing the positions of Wadbister Voe (NF) and Melby (MF),

g) Map of Wadbister Voe, h) Map of Melby

Fault trace (dashed = projected)





a) Map of Shetland showing the positions of Ollaberry, Sullom, Bixter and Sand (all WBF), f) Map of Shetland showing the positions of Wadbister Voe (NF) and Melby (MF), b) Map of Ollaberry, c) Map of Sullom, d) Map of Bixter, e) Map of Sand, g) Map of Wadbister Voe, $\,\mathbf{h})$ Map of Melby (continued from previous page)





700 800 900

spacing (mm)



Figure 7.3 Spacing 'v' cumulative frequency plots for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS (continued on next 2 pages)

100 200 300 400 500 600

A-F = data collected adjacent to the MF

500 600 700 800 900 1000

spacing (mm)

400

300

100 200

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- G-J = data collected adjacent to the NF
- \mathbf{K} - \mathbf{M} = data collected adjacent to the AVF
- N-W = data collected adjacent to the WBF

Blue data sets represent transects carried out ~parallel to the fault trend Red data sets represent transects carried out ~perpendicular to the fault trend Green data sets represent vertical transects



- Figure 7.3 Spacing 'v' cumulative frequency plots for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS (continued from previous page, and continued on next page)
 - A-F = data collected adjacent to the MF
 - G-J = data collected adjacent to the NF
 - \mathbf{K} - \mathbf{M} = data collected adjacent to the AVF
 - N-W = data collected adjacent to the WBF

Blue data sets represent transects carried out ~parallel to the fault trend Red data sets represent transects carried out ~perpendicular to the fault trend Green data sets represent vertical transects



Figure 7.3 Spacing 'v' cumulative frequency plots for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS (continued from previous 2 pages) Blue data sets represent transects carried out A-F = data collected adjacent to the MF ~parallel to the fault trend G-J = data collected adjacent to the NF Red data sets represent transects carried out

K-M = data collected adjacent to the AVF N-W = data collected adjacent to the WBF

~perpendicular to the fault trend

Green data sets represent vertical transects



Figure 7.4 Mean spacing 'v' standard deviation plot for fracture data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS.



Figure 7.5 Co-efficient of variation values for fracture data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS.







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Figure 7.6 Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions plotted against the perpendicular distance to faults within the WBFS.

- a) Transects orientated perpendicular to the fault trend
- b) Vertical transects
- c) Transects orientated parallel to the fault trend (N-S or NE-SW).





Figure 7.7 Mean spacing values plotted against the perpendicular distance to faults within the WBFS.

- a) Transects orientated perpendicular to the fault trend
- b) Vertical transects
- c) Transects orientated parallel to the fault trend (N-S or NE-SW).



- Exponent values from exponential spacing distributions 'v' mean spacing for data collected adjacent to the WBFS. Figure 7.8
 - data plotted for each transect orientation on logarithmic axes a)
 - data plotted for each transect orientation on linear axes 9
 - data plotted for each fault data set on logarithmic axes
- data plotted for each lithological data set on logarithmic axes G G



Figure 7.9 Mean spacing ellipses created for data sets collected on horizontal surfaces adjacent to faults within the WBFS. (Mean spacings are measured in mm.) The legend on each plot provides the locality name, lithology and fault adjacent to which the data was collected











a) AVF b) MF c) WBF d) NF





Figure 7.11

Fracture density measured in two ways (number of fractures per cm²) and area of mean spacing ellipse) plotted against each other on a) logarithmic axes, and b) on linear axes



faults within the WBFS (continued on next 3 pages)

- $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{D} =$ data collected adjacent to the NF
- $\mathbf{E} \mathbf{I} =$ data collected adjacent to the AVF
- J P = data collected adjacent to the MF
- $\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{E} =$ data collected adjacent to the WBF



- Figure 7.12 Fracture length 'v' cumulative frequency plots for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS (continued from previous page, and continued on next 2 pages)A D = data collected adjacent to the NF
 - $\mathbf{E} \mathbf{I} = \text{data collected adjacent to the AVF}$
 - J P = data collected adjacent to the MF
 - $\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{E} = \text{data collected adjacent to the WBF}$



Figure 7.12 Fracture length 'v' cumulative frequency plots for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS (continued from previous 2 pages, continued on next page)
A - D = data collected adjacent to the NF

- $\mathbf{E} \mathbf{I} = \text{data collected adjacent to the AVF}$
- $\mathbf{J} \mathbf{P} = \text{data collected adjacent to the MF}$
- $\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{E} = \text{data collected adjacent to the WBF}$









Figure 7.12 Fracture length 'v' cumulative frequency plots for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS (continued from previous 3 pages)

- $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{D} = \text{data collected adjacent to the NF}$
- $\mathbf{E} \mathbf{I} = \text{data collected adjacent to the AVF}$
- \mathbf{J} \mathbf{P} = data collected adjacent to the MF
- $\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{E} = \text{data collected adjacent to the WBF}$

Data sets with equations in **PINK** represent exponential distributions Data sets with equations in **ORANGE** represent power-law distributions

Data sets in green boxes represent two graphs for the same locality







- **B** power-law exponents




































Figure 7.14

Mean fracture length plotted against the perpendicular distance to faults within the WFBS. a) WBF b) NF c) AVF d) MF

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- a) exponential exponents 'v' mean length plotted on linear axes
- b) exponential exponents 'v' mean length plotted on linear axes
- c) power-law exponents 'v' mean length plotted on linear axes







Figure 7.17 Exponent from best-fitting fracture length distributions 'v' fracture intensity (total fracture length (cm) per cm²)

a) exponentially distributed fracture length data sets plotted on logarithmic axes
b) exponentially distributed fracture length data sets plotted on linear axes
c) power-law length data sets





Figure 7.18 Fracture intensity (total fracture length (cm) per cm²) 'v' mean fracture length plotted on (a) logarithmic and (b) linear axes

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Figure 7.19 Fracture density (total number of fractures per cm²) 'v' fracture intensity (total fracture length (cm) per cm²)

- a) data plotted on logarithmic axes
- b) data plotted on linear axes



Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' perpendicular distance to faults within the WBFS. a) - NF b)- AVF c) - WBF d) - MF Figure 7.20

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- a) NF b) MF c) AVF d) WBF



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- a) MF b) NF c) WBF d) AVF





- Figure 7.23 Total number of fractures per cluster 'v' total number of nodes per cluster for data sets collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS A data separated for each fault
 - B data separated for each lithology



Figure 7.24 Total fracture cluster length (cm) per cm² 'v' total number of fractures per cluster for data sets collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS











Figure 7.26 Histograms of a) total number of fractures per node in a cluster andb) total number of nodes per fracture in a cluster for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS.





- a) MF b) NF c) AVF d) WBF





Figure 7.28 Fracture density (total number of fractures per cm²) 'v' fracture connectivity (total number of nodes per cm²) plotted on **a**) logarithmic axes, and **b**) linear axes





Figure 7.29 Fracture intensity (total fracture length per cm²) 'v' fracture connectivity (total number of nodes per cm²) plotted on a) logarithmic axes and b) linear axes





Figure 7.30 Histograms of **a**) total number of fractures per node in a cm², and **b**) total number of nodes per fracture in a cm² for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS.





Figure 7.31 Mean fracture length 'v' total number of nodes per cm² (connectivity) plotted on **a**) logarithmic axes and **b**) on linear axes for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS.





Figure 7.32 Exponent from exponential length distributions 'v' total number of nodes per cm² plotted on **a**) logarithmic axes and **b**) on linear axes for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS.



Figure 7.33 Exponent from power-law length distribution 'v' total number of nodes per cm² for data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS, plotted on linear axes.



Figure 7.34 Histogram of power-law exponent values from fracture length data collected adjacent to faults within the WBFS.





Figure 8.1 Graphs showing the good relationship between mean & exponent values from exponentially distributed spacing data sets from the MTFC & the WBFS.
A – outcrop data (measured from 1D transects in the field and from 2D data sets) and thin section data from the MTFC, plus outcrop data (measured from 1D transects in the field and from 2D data sets) from the WBFS. Data is plotted on log-log axes due to the range of values present
B – Outcrop data only from the MTFC and the WBFS (measured from 1D transects in the field and from 2D data sets). Data is plotted on linear axes.

(Some scatter is observed, and is probably related to the calculation of mean values being from the whole data set, whereas the exponent values may not necessarily encompass the whole spacing data set)





C & D = data collected adjacent to the HSFP, along transects orientated perpendicular and parallel to the MTFC trend respectively MTFC trend respectively

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VF, EF & RF all 1D transect data n = 2979, clusters = 050/ 75 S, 149/ 75 W



HSF all 1D transect data n = 1463, clusters = 060/ 72 N, 122/ 81 N, 158/ 81 W



equal-area contour plot of VF, EF, RF & HSF all 1D transect data n = 4442, clusters - x = 051/ 70 S, y = 060/ 73 N,

plus a large cluster centred around 155/78 W (z), probably contains 2 clusters, trending N-S and NW-SE



Figure 8.3 Fracture orientations within the MTFC

- (all data plotted as poles to fracture planes)
- A fracture data collected within the VFS
- **B** fracture data collected adjacent to HSF
- ${\bf C}$ all fracture data collected from the MTFC
- **D** all data from the MTFC, contoured
- E rose diagram of lineament strike measurements from the air photograph data set



VF, EF, RF & HSF all 1D transect data n = 4442, clusters = 050/ 74 S, 060/ 71 N, 150/ 76 W, 173/ 82 W





B







VF

HSF and VF initiated as two parallel ductile shear zones on the opposite limbs of a regional antiform, mylonites have been dated at 409 ±12 Ma (Watts 2001)

Brittle reactivation occurred as sinstral transtensional movements along VF & HSF with the initiation of RF minor movements along EF, and the creation the present day fracture network. Epiote-rich cataclasites & coeval pseudotachylites produced during this event are dated at 291 ±14 Ma (Watts 2001)

Minor dip-slip normal reactivation occurred along the VF with little/no displacement along HSF. Movements along RF and EF are unknown.

Two dextral strike-slip events are recognised by Watts (2001). A major phase in Mesozoic times associated with zeolite & calcite, with movements recognised along VF, RF and EF. The second, more minor, phase is associated with incohesive fault gouge observed along VF only

A second incohesive fault gouge is observed along VF, associated with dip-slip movements



A - summary of 4 main clusters observed within the MTFC, 2 parallel to the overall fault trend (ENE-WSW), one ~N-S and one ~NW-SE, all consistent with initiation during sinistral transtensional movements.

displacement

B - (after Watts 2001) Series of schematic block diagrams to show the initiation and development of faults within the MTFC. Note that the sinistral transtension event (#2) is inferred to have initiated the present day fracture network.





Figure 8.6 Eigen vector plots for foliation and fracture data collected within the MTFC.
(A) = strength parameter C
(B) = shape parameter K



Figure 8.7 Stereonet of all fracture orientations (black) collected from the MTFC. Superimposed in red are foliation readings measured by Watts (2001). Note that the foliation and fracture clusters are not geometrically coincident.



Figure 8.8 Stereonet of fracture and foliation readings from within the MTFC with mean girdles for foliation (on each fold limb, red) and for the orientations of the two major brittle faults (VF & HSF, blue). Note that the fracture clusters are parallel to the brittle fractures and not the ductile foliation.



Figure 8.9 Schematic diagram (not to scale) to illustrate the possible explanation for increasing fracture density to the north, along strike of the Rautingdalen Fault (RF), away from the intersection zone between the RF and the Verran Fault (VF). Red arrow indicates increasing displacement towards the centre of the RFP, and away from the intersection of the VFP, and it's suggested that here, fracture density may increase due to increasing displacement along RFP



Figure 8.10 Air Photograph taken over the Sullom/Ness of Haggrister localities of the WBF. The WBF trace (based on field evidence) is indicated by the black lines, and cannot easily be traced inland due to the extensive peat cover.



Figure 8.11 Fracture density 'v' fracture intensity data from the MTFC and the WBFS.
 A – data collected at all scales for both fault systems, on logarithmic axes
 B & C – data collected at outcrop scale only for both fault systems, on logarithmic and linear axes respectively



Graph to show the different relationships between fracture parameters (i.e. x & y) based on the exponent values. Each line represents a different exponent value. Figure 8.12

 $\Lambda - exponent = 0$, x parameter has no influence on the y parameter

B - exponent = 0.5, relatively little variation in y parameter as x parameter values change (c.f. density & intensity, MTFC & WBFS)

C - exponent = I, parameters x and y are directly proportional (c.f. density & connectivity, MTFC & WBFS)

D - exponent = 2, x parameter values change significantly with respect to changes in y parameter values (c.f. intensity & connectivity, MTFC & WBFS)

 \mathbf{E} – exponent = infinite, y parameter has no influence on the x parameter



Figure 8.13 Fracture density 'v' fracture connectivity data from the MTFC & the WBFS.
 A – data collected at all scales for both fault systems, on logarithmic axes
 B & C – data collected at outcrop scale only for both fault systems, on logarithmic and linear axes respectively







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Figure 8.15 Fracture cluster connectivity (number of nodes and fractures per cluster) for the MTFC and WBFS data sets.

A - All values from both fault data sets

 ${\bf B}-{\rm Clusters}$ containing less than or equal to 100 fractures, from the MTFC and WBFS data sets



Figure 8.18 Map showing the major structural features of North East England AF = Alwinton fault, BF = Butterknowle fault, CLF = Closehouse-Lunedale fault, CPT = Causey Pike thrust, FF = Featherwood fault, HF = Hauxley fault, LF = Lammermuir fault, MF = Maryport fault, NFF = Ninety Fathom fault (*in red*) NSF = North Solway fault, PF = Penine faults, PFFF = Pressen-Flodden-Ford faults RL = Riccarton line, SF = Stublick faults, CG = Cheviot granite, LDB - Lake District batholith, WG = Weardale granite (after Chadwick and Holliday 1991)



Figure 8.19 Graphs of fault density (A) and connectivity (B) adjacent to the Ninety Fathom Fault (after Knipe 1998)







A – data collected at all scales from all fault systems, on logarithmic axes

B - data collected at outcrop scale only from all faults, on logarithmic axes

C – data collected at outcrop scale only from all faults, on linear axes

D - data collected at outcrop scale only (up to density of 0.06), on linear axes (continued overleaf)







A – data collected at all scales from all fault systems, on logarithmic axes

B - data collected at outcrop scale only from all faults, on logarithmic axes

 \mathbf{C} – data collected at outcrop scale only from all faults, on linear axes

D - data collected at outcrop scale only (up to density of 0.06), on linear axes (continued from previous page)





A - oil is accumulated in porous and permeable sandstone layers adjacent to 2 faults. One is highly reactivated (RED), the other is not (**BLACK**). The reactivated fault is associated with more fracturing & a wider damage zone, therefore more compartmentalisation of the reservoir occurs, inhibiting oil extraction B - oil is accumulated within fractures, in an impermeable rock (e.g. basement, chalk). The impermeable rock is faulted, one fault is highly reactivated (RED), the other is not (BLACK). The reactivated fault is associated with more fracturing & a wider damage zone, therefore more oil can be stored adjacent to the reactivated fault, and fluid flow is enhanced, enabling easier oil extraction. Adjacent to the nonreactivated fault, fewer fractures occur, and connectivity is less.

Figure 8.21 Schematic diagrams illustrating the effects of reactivated faults being associated with wider, more connected damage zones, in porous and permeable rocks (A) and in impermeable rocks (B)



igure 8.22 Schematic diagram to illustrate the effects of fault reactivation on oil migration and accumulation. Reactivation with the same successive kinematic movements is often very difficult to recognise. If fault reactivation occurs after oil migration, traps can be breached resulting in leakage of hydrocarbons, where they otherwise may be expected to be found.