



# Break-out room discussion on Thursday

- Present and discuss progress with other students and instructors
- Prepare ~3 slides:
  - Where you are confident about your mapping
  - Where you have questions about your mapping
  - Something interesting
- Code of conduct
  - The objective of peer-review sessions is to promote an inclusive experience, targeted instruction based on individual student needs, and to also mirror experiences that will occur in employment.
  - Editorial comments provided by the instructors and students should be appropriate, relevant, and constructive.
  - Students will ideally feel comfortable presenting where they believed they have mapped well and where they are having difficulty. Students will offer constructive feedback to help improve mapping skill.

# Principal

**Main or principal through-going fault at depth that breaks the ground surface.**

*Principal* ruptures can manifest on the ground surface in complicated ways, including: simple, curvilinear traces; segmented en echelon, anastomizing, branching, or moletrack zones; overlapping step-overs; flower or other slip-partitioning structures; or monoclinal warping

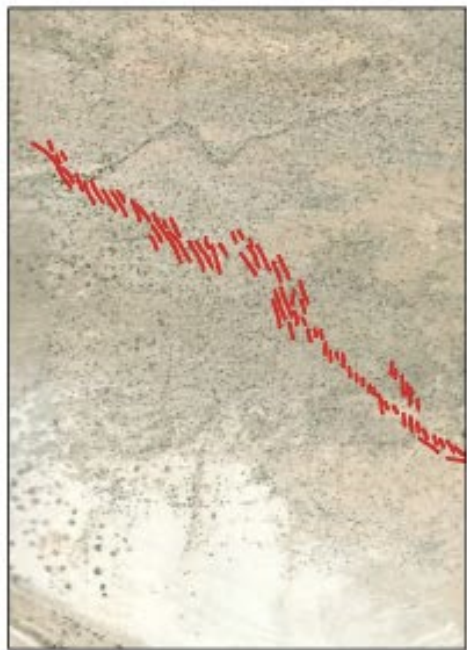
# Distributed

Not the main fault; antithetic, spatially distributed, discontinuous



N  
0 250 500 1,000 Meters  
1:20,000

Curvilinear fault



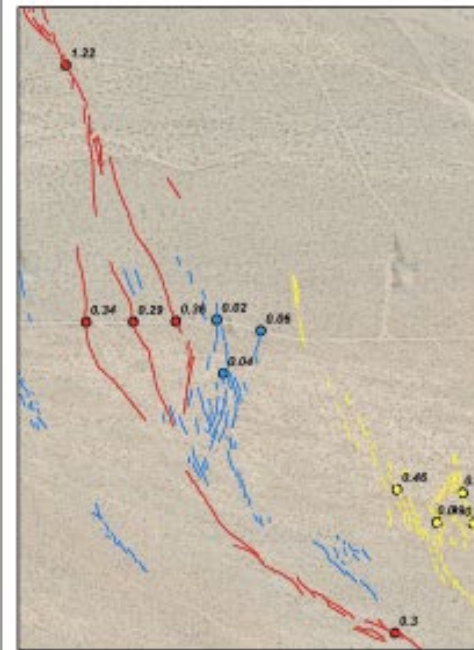
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En echelon



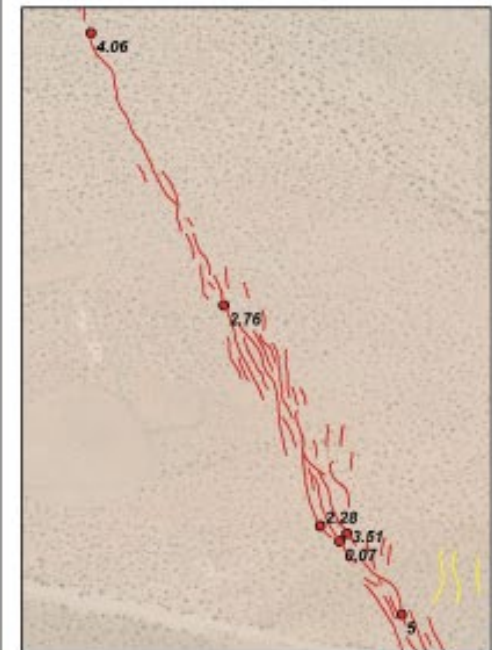
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Branching



N  
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Tri-furcated  
branching



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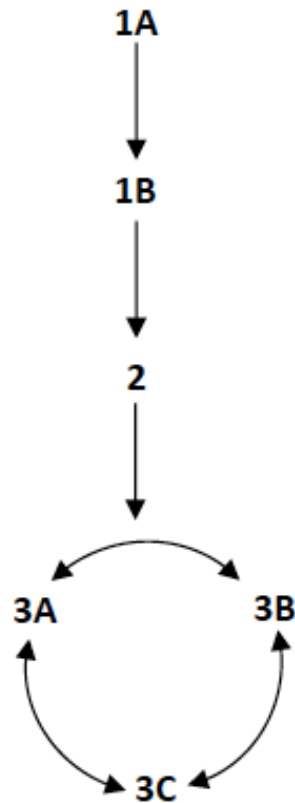
Anastomizing

Red - Principal fault,  
Blue and Yellow – Distributed Slip

# Determining if principal vs. distributed

Depends on fault properties, datasets, geologist's interpretations-> **important to justify your reasoning**

## Workflow



## Explanation

### 1. Determine Principal Rupture Extent

#### 1A – Basic Criteria

- Literature review
- If candidate rupture trace (or “narrow zone” of traces) is “long & continuous” and Cat3 slips are “spatially associated” with candidate trace, RANK candidate rupture trace and measurement site as PRINCIPAL

#### 1B – Advanced Criteria, Spatial

“Use judgment” to RANK rupture traces and measurement sites at the spatial extents (i.e., rupture ends) as PRINCIPAL, considering:

- Along-strike continuity
- Literature review, including known data gaps at rupture ends (if applicable)

### 2. Determine Simple Distributed Rankings

#### 2 – Basic Criteria

- Literature review
- If candidate rupture trace is “not spatially associated” and not on-strike with defined Principal traces, and Cat1 slips are associated with trace, RANK candidate rupture trace and measurement site as DISTRIBUTED
- If candidate rupture trace or measurement site is “not spatially associated” and not on-strike with defined Principal traces, RANK candidate as DISTRIBUTED

### 3. Iterate Interpretations to Finalize All Rankings

#### 3A – Principal Ranking Advanced Criteria, Spatial

“Use judgment” to RANK rupture traces and measurement sites as PRINCIPAL, considering:

- Unexpected gaps in defined Principal traces “spatially associated” with high Cat2 slips
- Unexpected gaps in defined Principal traces

#### 3B – Principal Ranking Advanced Criteria, Structural

“Use judgment” to RANK rupture traces and measurement sites as PRINCIPAL, considering:

- en-echelon splays representing shallow continuous rupture below surface
- flower structures, localized push/pull-aparts indicating near surface complexity accommodating through-going rupture at depth
- conjugate faults
- parallel traces or mole tracks related to a single fault at depth

#### 3C – Distributed Ranking Advanced Criteria, Structural

“Use judgment” to RANK rupture traces and measurement sites as DISTRIBUTED, considering:

- antithetic ruptures, hanging wall accommodation structures
- minor synthetic fault traces that are parallel but unconnected to main trace
- cracking that fans out from primary trace
- ground fractures related to shattering of surface units from energy release