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#### • Key Points:

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10	• Dis	screte collapse events exhibit radial outward displacements up to 20 cm and up-
11	lift	t of over 5 cm outside caldera
12	• Da	ta best fit by slip on normal ring-fault that steepens with depth and associated
13	$\operatorname{pre}$	essurization of underlying magma chamber
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#### <sup>30</sup> Plain Language Summary

When large volumes of magma erupt rapidly the rock overlying the subsurface reser-31 voir founders producing a caldera. During the 2018 eruption of Kilauea volcano, Hawaii 32 collapse occurred in over 60 events, each lasting 5 to 10 seconds. We analyze GPS data 33 collected during the last 32 of these events to determine the geometry of the ring fault 34 system bounding the caldera block and the properties of the underlying magma. The 35 faults are on average very steep, but slightly inward dipping at shallow depth. Inferred 36 pressure increases during collapse events constrain the compressibility of the magma and 37 imply an exsolved gas phase with from 1 to 7 % bubbles by volume. 38

#### 39 1 Introduction

The largest volcanic eruptions are accompanied by caldera collapse. While caldera formation is understood to result from the rapid withdrawal of large volumes of magmas from crustal reservoirs, the geometry of these reservoirs and in particular the dip of the ring-fault systems (normal vs reverse) are not well understood. Constraints come from geologic observations of eroded calderas, geophysical observations, as well as analog and numerical modeling (*Cole et al.*, 2005; *Branney and Acocella*, 2015). Caldera col-

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lapses are thankfully rare and relatively little data has been collected in the near fieldof an ongoing collapse.

Historic caldera collapses at basaltic shield volcanoes occur in discrete events; the 48 Kilauea 2018 eruption consisted of 62 such collapse events (Neal et al., 2019; Tepp et al., 49 2020). These events were accompanied by very long period (VLP) earthquakes and re-50 markable "inflationary" deformation (Figure 1). Similar behavior was observed at Miyake-51 jima, Japan and Piton de la Fournaise on Reunion Island (Kumagai et al., 2001; Michon 52 et al., 2009). Kilauea high rate GPS data show that the collapse events took place over 53 5 to 10 seconds. During this time negligible magma could have left the underlying cham-54 ber, meaning that collapses occurred under constant mass conditions. Segall et al. (2019) 55 showed that under these conditions co-collapse deformation results from a combination 56 of chamber pressurization and fault slip. For a vertical ring-fault the deformation exter-57 nal to the collapse is caused solely by pressure increase in the chamber; for other dips 68 fault-induced deformation contributes to surface displacements and tilts.

The eruption of Kilauea in 2018 provided unique data during a caldera collapse (Neal 60 et al., 2019; Anderson et al., 2019; Tepp et al., 2020). The eruption began on May 3, 2018 61 in the lower East Rift Zone (ERZ). Deflation at Kilauea's summit began the previous 62 day and accelerated following a M 6.9 south flank earthquake on May 4. On May 16 the 63 first rapid inflation event occurred contemporaneous with significant ash emission. By 64 May 29 fault-bounded collapse was evident outside of Halema'uma'u crater. Later in the 65 eruption collapse events were accompanied by higher effusion rates at the eruption site (*Patrick et al.*, 2019). During June a new surface fault scarp propagated clockwise through 67 the existing (1500 CE) Kilauea caldera, establishing a roughly circular collapse structure by mid to late June 2018. The floor of Halema'uma'u crater ultimately dropped up 69 to 500 meters and the volume of the caldera increased by  $\sim 0.8 \text{ km}^3$ . 70

Here we build on the conceptual modeling of *Segall et al.* (2019); specifically, we use near-field GPS data to constrain collapse structure at depth. We develop a forward model conditioned on observations prior to collapse onset. Unknown parameters are constrained by near-field, co-collapse GPS displacements. To contrast with point source models commonly employed in volcano deformation studies, we compare results with inversions based on a tri-axial point source in a homogeneous half-space. The point source has more degrees of freedom than the finite element method (FEM) based model, and

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- is not restricted to radial symmetry. Nevertheless, it cannot capture the kinematics of
- <sup>79</sup> the collapse and could lead to biased interpretations.

#### <sup>80</sup> 2 Method



Figure 1. A) Time series of radial component GPS displacements at BYRL. Positive displacement indicates motion away from the caldera. Station location shown in B. B) Co-collapse radial displacements. Black: average of last 32 collapse events, with 95% confidence ellipses reflecting the variability of the individual events. Red: predicted by model with fault dip increasing from  $85^{\circ}$  to vertical at 600 m (see Figure 2) and magma compressibility  $\beta_m = 3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$ . Collapse structure is shaded. Red circle shows location of model ring-fault. Scale vector is 0.1 m.

We analyze high rate GPS data (5 second sampling) from collapse events later in 81 the eruption, after the eastern section of the ring-fault system was fully formed. A sam-82 ple time series for station BYRL is shown in Figure 1a. The co-collapse displacement 83 in individual events was determined as the difference between pre- and post event po-84 sitions averaged over 5 minutes, not including a window  $\pm 1$  minute around the time of 85 the event. We then computed the mean and variance of the co-collapse displacements for the last 32 events. We find that stations closest to the collapse have more variabil-87 ity and are thus down-weighted relative to more distant stations in our inversions. An 88 alternate approach is to stack time series at each station (last 32 events), and then compute co-collapse displacements from the stack. Uncertainties in this case are computed 90

by taking the standard deviation of samples in the 4-minute pre- and post-collapse windows and propagating these uncertainties into the offset, assuming they are uncorrelated and normally distributed. While these two approaches lead to essentially identical displacements stacking results in substantially smaller but more uniform uncertainties. For completeness we present results with both sets of weights.



Figure 2. A) Finite element mesh showing the magma chamber and an inward dipping fault that steepens with depth. Geometry is radially symmetric about the red dashed line. B) Maximum shear (von Mises) stress for vertical ring-fault. Vectors represent displacements with log scaling to permit viewing of displacements outside the collapse piston. Note that stresses are due solely to chamber pressurization.



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From Anderson et al. (2019) (see Supplemental Information) the median magma 106 chamber has initial volume  $V = 3.9 \text{ km}^3$ , and centroid depth 1.9 km, whose apex reaches 107 to  $\sim 0.8$  km below the surface (Figure 2). Note that the pre-collapse model places only 108 first-order constraints on the shape of and depth to the top of the reservoir. The aver-109 age vertical displacement during the last 32 collapse events, from GPS station CALS lo-110 cated on the down-dropped block (Figure 1b) was  $\sim 2.5$  meters. Thus, fault slip, as-111 sumed for simplicity to be uniform along the ring-fault, is taken as  $2.5/\sin(\delta)$  meters, 112 where  $\delta$  is fault dip. 113

The surface deformation during collapse events depends on the geometry of the magma chamber and ring-fault system, and the pressure change induced by reduction in chamber volume due to downward motion of the roof block. As shown in Supplemental Information, the co-collapse displacements  $u_{co}(\mathbf{x})$  at radial position  $\mathbf{x}$  are

$$u_{\rm co}(\mathbf{x}) = s \left[ \frac{-\Phi(\mathbf{m}, \delta) f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m})}{\mu \left(\beta_m + \beta_c\right)} + g(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m}, \delta) \right].$$
(1)

Here s is fault slip,  $f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m})$  is function of model parameters  $\mathbf{m}$  that characterize the chamber (depth to centroid, vertical and horizontal semi-axes);  $g(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m}, \delta)$  is a dimensionless function that maps slip to displacement at constant chamber pressure. Further,  $\Phi \equiv \partial V/\partial s$  at constant p. Finally,  $\mu$  is the crustal shear modulus,  $\beta_m$  and  $\beta_c \equiv (1/V)\partial V/\partial p$ are the magma and chamber compressibilities. The latter depends on  $\mu$  and chamber geometry. Note  $\Phi f$  and  $\mu (\beta_m + \beta_c)$  are dimensionless.

The average elastic properties of the crust are imperfectly known, but are chosen to be consistent with the pre-collapse modeling. The surface expression of the ring-fault is constrained by direct observation and roughly coincides with the inferred outline of the magma chamber (Anderson et al., 2019). By fixing the geometry (including V) and  $\mu$ , which determines both  $\beta_c$  and  $\Phi$  to that estimated from pre-collapse data, the only unknown parameters are fault dip and magma compressibility. We search over  $(\delta, \beta_m)$ space to determine parameters that optimize fit to the co-collapse data.

Equation (1) is important for understanding how the data scale with mechanical and geometric parameters. As described in the SI, the pressure change in the first term does not appear explicitly. However, in the FEM calculations  $\Delta p_{\rm co}$  induced by collapse is computed by

$$\Delta p_{\rm co} = -\frac{\Delta V}{V\beta_m},\tag{2}$$

where  $\Delta V$  is the change in chamber volume.

We use the finite element code COMSOL Multiphysics to determine the surface 132 deformation due to fault slip on a ring-fault coupled to a magma chamber (Figure 2). 133 Slip is spatially uniform and imposed on the ring-fault. Displacement of the plug into 134 the chamber reduces its volume, increasing magma pressure according to equation (2). 135 This spatially uniform pressure change and zero shear traction provide the boundary con-136 dition on the walls of the chamber. The model domain dimensions are 20x the largest 137 dimension of the chamber, sufficient to avoid boundary effects; results are insensitive to 138 mesh refinement. We search over a range of fault dips and magma compressibilities and 139 compare to the observed displacements. 140

#### 141 3 Results

Figure 3 shows misfit, defined as the weighted residual 2-norm, including vertical 142 and radial displacements, as a function of dip and compressibility. Figure 3a shows re-143 sults with weights determined by the variance of the events, while Figure 3b employs the 144 lower variance determined by first stacking the last 32 events. In both cases it is clear 145 that a (normal) dip of  $85^{\circ}$  fits the data best over a range of compressibilities, with op-146 timal values of  $\beta_m$  of 15 and 7 ×10<sup>-10</sup> Pa<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. Vertical ring-faults with  $\beta_m =$ 147  $1 \rightarrow 3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$  also fit the data with larger errors reasonably well (Fig. 3a). Shal-148 lower normal faults ( $\delta \leq 85^{\circ}$ ) and reverse faults ( $\delta = 95^{\circ}$ ) generally do not fit the data 149 well. 150

Figure 4a,b compare radial and vertical displacements as a function of distance from 151 the collapse center with predictions from the FEM model for the optimal magma com-152 pressibility,  $\beta_m = 7 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$ , and a range of ring-fault dips. The 85° dipping ring-153 fault fits data quite well, although under-predicting the radial displacements of the near-154 est stations (CRIM and UWEV). As noted by Segall et al. (2019), outward dips (> 90°) 155 result in inward directed (negative) displacements close to the collapse, contrary to ob-156 servations. This is most pronounced with compressible magmas because of the smaller 157 pressure change (Figure 3c), which increases the relative contribution of the ring-fault 158 to the surface deformation. With less compressible magmas (see SI) the predicted ra-159



**Figure 3.** Weighted residual norm as a function of fault dip and magma compressibility. Red star indicates minimum misfit. Top axis gives the implied bubble volume fraction (see Discussion). a) Standard deviation determined from the 32 separate events. b) Standard deviation determined from stack of events. Black star indicates misfit for fault with variable dip. c) Computed pressure change in the magma chamber.

dial displacements are outward, but decrease as the ring-fault is approached, contrary to the data (SI Fig. 1). These observations exclude an outward dipping ring-fault. With the compressibility of gas free basalt, the minimum reasonable value,  $\beta_m \sim 1 \times 10^{-10}$  Pa<sup>-1</sup>, the model over predicts the vertical displacements for all dips (SI). As described in the Discussion, these results imply the presence of an exsolved vapor phase in the magma chamber.

Figure 4c,d illustrates results for  $\beta_m = 3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$ , near the local minimum 166 in misfit for a vertical ring-fault (Fig. 3a). For this compressibility, the vertical ring-fault 167 fits the radial displacements well at more distant stations (Fig. 4c), but significantly under-168 predicts the radial displacements at the closer stations. While the  $85^{\circ}$  dipping fault bet-169 ter fits the close-in radial displacements, it over predicts both the more distant stations 170 as well as the vertical displacements. This suggests that the ring-fault may steepen with 171 depth, which we tested for a number of scenarios. Figure 4c,d shows the prediction for 172 a ring-fault that dips  $85^{\circ}$  at the surface and steepens to vertical at 600 m depth (Fig. 173 2a). As expected, this fits the radial displacements at the more distant stations and does 174 a better job of fitting the closer stations. It over predicts the vertical displacements, but 175 generally fits the data within one standard deviation. Dips that steepen with depth are 176 consistent with field observations that show inward (normal) dips at the surface. (The 177 ratio of vertical to horizontal displacements at CALS (see Fig. 1b) indicate a dip at the 178 earth's surface of  $71.5^{\circ}$ ). 179



Figure 4. Predicted and observed radial (a,c) and vertical (b,d) displacements during a collapse event. 1-sigma error bars; simple averaging (black) and stacking (red). Predictions are shown for a range of dips (dips less than 90° are normal faults) and  $\beta_m = 7 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$  (a,b) and for  $\beta_m = 3 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$  (c,d). Also shown is the case with fault dip that steepens from 85° to vertical at a depth of 600m, labeled "kinked".

The fit to the horizontal displacements of the steepening fault model is shown in 180 Figure 1b. The model under predicts the displacement at UWEV and over predicts the 181 displacements at CNPK and 92YN, a consequence of the assumed radial symmetry. Some 182 aspect of the ring-fault chamber system led to larger displacements in the northwestern 183 direction at UWEV, although BDPK is fit well, suggesting this feature is shallow. One 184 possibility is a locally shallower dip along this section of the ring-fault. It is also pos-185 sible that there is some asymmetry in the shallow magma reservoir, although asymme-186 try in the pre-collapse deformation was small (Anderson et al., 2019). Given the sym-187 metry of the forward model and the fact that only two parameters are adjusted, the fit 188 is reasonable. 189

The pressure increase during a typical collapse event is shown in Figure 3c. Because the slip amplitude is specified, less compressible magmas result in larger pressure increases (equation 2). Fault dip has a minor effect with normal faulting giving slightly larger pressure increases. Given the range of parameters that fit the data, our results suggest that pressure increases ranged from 3.3 MPa (for a vertical ring-fault and a compressibility of  $2 \times 10^{-10}$  Pa<sup>-1</sup>) to 1.25 MPa (for an 85° dip and compressibility of  $10^{-9}$  Pa<sup>-1</sup>.)

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#### <sup>196</sup> 4 Discussion

The compressibility of gas-free basalt is  $\beta_l \sim 1 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$  (Murase and McBirney, 1973; Spera, 2000). Our results suggest the compressibility of magma in the Halema'uma'u reservoir is  $\beta_m = 2 \rightarrow 15 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Pa}^{-1}$ , implying an exsolved gas phase. The magma compressibility can be expressed in terms of the volume fraction of gas phase  $\phi$ ,

$$\beta_m = (1-\phi)\beta_l + \phi\beta_q = (1-\phi)\beta_l + \phi/p, \tag{3}$$

where the gas is assumed to be ideal. Taking the pressure to be magmastatic at the cham-201 ber centroid depth, with density  $2.5 \times 10^3$  implies vesicularities of  $\phi$  of 0.01 to 0.07, and 202 possibly as high as 0.12 (Fig. 3). Given that bubbles rise rapidly in low viscosity basalt, 203 high *in situ* gas volume fractions may be unrealistic, however it is beyond our scope to 204 bound plausible values. It also should be noted from equation (1) that displacements de-205 pend on the product of shear modulus  $\mu$  and total compressibility. It is possible that the 206 effective shear modulus for short-duration collapse events may have been greater than 207 that for weeks-long deflation. If so, this could be consistent with lower compressibility 208 and vesicularity. 209

We used the  $\sim 2.5$  m rapid downward displacement of CALS (Figure 1b) to measure sudden collapse in a typical event. CALS also experienced  $\sim 2$  m slow subsidence between collapse events. This may reflect fault creep, perhaps localized along the newer, eastern sector of the ring-fault associated with abundant VT seismicity (*Shelly and Thelen*, 2019). Because CALS is close to the eastern ring-fault, it is possible that it is unrepresentative of the collapse as a whole. If the main collapse experienced the cumulative displacement at CALS it would have been closer to 4.5 meters.

The cumulative displacements recorded from repeated digital elevation models (DEM) 217 provide another estimate of the vertical drop in an average collapse. Between July 13 218 and the end of the eruption the eastern block subsided about 60-70 m, in 13 events, or 219  $\sim 5$  meters per event. However, this does not determine how much was slow inter-event 220 subsidence. We find that solutions with 5 meters of slip do not fit as well, especially at 221 the closest stations, and favor vertical ring-faults. Because the slow inter-event displace-222 ment at CALS coincides with VT seismicity, we favor the interpretation that vertical dis-223 placement per event is closer to 2.5 m, but with only one site on the down-dropped block 224 we cannot rule out up to 5 m of collapse. 225

Our calculations have not accounted for the Overlook vent, or topographic effects 226 of the pre-existing (1500 CE) caldera or newly formed collapse pit as it was expressed 227 in mid June, 2018 at the start of the data analyzed here. Forward models including a 228 conical "pit" with radius 700 m and depth up to 300 m did not significantly alter the con-229 clusions presented here. The pit has greatest effect on horizontal displacements, partic-230 ularly with the reverse ring-fault geometry. Deeper pits and significant disk-shaped calderas 231 have more significant effects. Full three dimensional modeling with accurate surface to-232 pography is beyond our scope, but appears unlikely to fundamentally alter our conclu-233 sions. 234

The results above fix the magma chamber geometry to the median values deter-235 mined from analysis of pre-collapse deflation. To explore the effects of uncertainty in cham-236 ber geometry on inferred properties, we resample from the posterior distribution of An-237 derson et al. (2019). For a vertical ring-fault the surface deformation outside the collapse 238 is simply rigid body translation of the piston plus pressurization of the chamber (Segall 239 et al., 2019) (see also below). Thus, we can employ the model emulator developed by An-240 derson et al. (2019) to predict the surface deformation due to a co-collapse pressure in-241 crease. Least squares estimation of pressure change  $\Delta p_{co}$  given by equation (2), assum-242 ing 2.5 m subsidence per event, along with other parameters are shown in the Supple-243 mental Information (SI Fig. 2). $\Delta p_{co}$  is normally distributed with a mean of 3 MPa and 244 standard deviation of 0.3 MPa. The inferred magma compressibility ranges from roughly 245  $3 \times 10^{-10}$  to  $2 \times 10^{-9}$  Pa<sup>-1</sup>. While this range is for vertical ring-faults it may reason-246 ably approximate normal faults that steepen to vertical at shallow depth. 247

Volcano deformation studies often model source processes with point source approx-248 imations of magma chambers. To contrast this with the finite source model above, we 249 invert the co-collapse displacements for a tri-axial point-source. A single point source 250 necessarily combines the contributions of the ring-fault and the magma chamber in a sin-251 gle source, although the true source is distributed in depth. We follow the procedure of 252 Davis (1986) see also Segall (2010, Chapter 7), using Green's tensors for a homogeneous 253 half-space, but do not associate the double forces in terms of a pressure boundary con-254 dition on a spheroidal magma chamber. We restrict one double force to vertical; relax-255 ing this improves the fit somewhat, but does not alter the interpretation. We estimate 256 the source location and the best-fitting moment tensor with a Markov Chain Monte Carlo 257 (MCMC) procedure. 258

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**Figure 5.** Comparison of observed co-collapse displacements (black) with those predicted by a generalized point-source moment tensor in an elastic half-space (red). Circles represent vertical displacements, dashed where negative.

The point source model fits the data quite well (Figure 5). Posterior distributions 259 for the point-source parameters are given in the SI (SI Fig. 3). The median source depth 260 is  $\sim 700$  m, much shallower than the chamber centroid inferred from pre-collapse data 261 (Anderson et al., 2019). While the point source combines contributions from the ring-262 fault and magma chamber, which are at different depths, it should be dominated by the 263 chamber for near vertical ring-faults. Thus, the source depth is unrealistically shallow. 264 The best fitting source is largely isotropic expansion (SI Fig. 4) with minor CLVD and 265 double couple components. The vertical double-force is maximum; the largest horizon-266 tal double-force is directed NW/SE reflecting the displacements at UWEV and CRIM 267 (Figure 9b) compared to the orthogonal NE/SW direction. 268

An expansion source might seem counterintuitive for a collapsing caldera, because 269 the "inflationary" deformation observed outside the collapse structure is caused by a vol-270 ume *decrease* but a pressure *increase*. Consider the case of a vertical ring-fault: Due to 271 linearity in the problem the forward model can be decomposed into: 1) displacement of 272 the piston into a magma chamber at constant pressure, and 2) the pressurization of the 273 chamber due to the resulting volume decrease. The first step is a rigid body motion and 274 produces no deformation outside the piston. Thus, for a vertical ring-fault the pressure 275 increase is the sole cause of deformation external to the caldera. This indicates that there 276

should be some caution in interpreting moment tensor estimates for volumetric sources
in terms of source kinematics. We also explored forcing the point source to be located
at the *a priori* chamber centroid depth. Not surprisingly, fit to the co-collapse displacements is degraded; in particular, the vertical displacements are significantly over-predicted.

As noted above, the collapse faults are normal at the surface, while the geodetic 281 data are consistent with dips steepening with depth. In contrast, many analog and nu-282 merical models (Acocella, 2007; Ruch et al., 2012; Holohan et al., 2011; Geyer and Martí, 283 2014) find initial development of an inner reverse ring-fault with subsequent growth of 284 a peripheral fault that may have a normal geometry. In contrast to these studies, the 285 Kilauea collapse was clearly influenced by the presence of the lava lake, Halema'uma'u 286 crater, and pre-existing caldera bounding structures. In particular, the presence of the 287 lava lake conduit seems to have promoted inward slumping. Another factor favoring nor-288 mal faulting is regional extension (Acocella, 2007), which is present at Kilauea due to 289 seaward motion of the volcano's south flank (Owen et al., 2000; Denlinger and Morgan, 290 2014). 291

#### <sup>292</sup> 5 Conclusions

293	• Collapse events were accompanied by remarkable "inflationary" deformation ex-
294	ternal to the caldera with radial outward displacements of nearly 20 cm and up-
295	lift of over 5 cm.
296	- For a constant fault dip the data are best fit by a steeply dipping (85°) normal
297	ring-fault with a magma estimated to have on the order of $3\%$ bubble volume frac-
298	tion.
299	• For lower bubble volume fractions, fit to the stations closest to the caldera is im-
300	proved if the fault dip increases from roughly $85^\circ$ to vertical at a depth of $\sim 600$
301	meters, qualitatively consistent with normal faulting observed at the surface.
302	• Estimates of pressure increases during collapse events range from 1 to over 3 MPa,
303	depending on magma compressibility. Uncertainty in magma chamber volume alone
304	introduces an uncertainty in pressure change on the order of 0.3 MPa.
305	• A generalized triaxial point source can fit the data quite well, but yields a strongly
306	biased estimate of the source depth and kinematics.

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# Caldera Collapse Geometry Revealed by Near-field GPS Displacements at Kīlauea Volcano in 2018: Supplemental Information

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### 1 Geometry

Taking median values from Anderson et al. (2019) we specify:

# 2 Scaling of the deformation

The pre-collapse displacements can be written as

$$u_{\rm pre}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\Delta p_{\rm pre} V}{\mu} f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m}) \tag{1}$$

where  $f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m})$  is function of the model parameters  $\mathbf{m}$  that characterize the chamber, and has units of  $1/l^2$ ) (for example for Mogi source is proportional  $1/d^2$ ). Independent constraint on the pressure reduction from the retreating lava lake allowed the pre-collapse data to resolve the ratio  $V/\mu$  and the chamber geometry.

The co-collapse displacements depend on fault slip and the slip-induced pressurization of the magma chamber,

$$u_{\rm co}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\Delta p_{\rm co} V}{\mu} f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m}) + sg(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m}, \delta), \qquad (2)$$

where  $g(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m}, \delta)$  is a dimensionless function that maps fault slip to displacement at constant chamber pressure, and  $\delta$  is fault dip. Following notation in *Segall et al.* (2019) the co-collapse pressure increase at constant mass is

$$\Delta p_{\rm co} = \frac{-\Phi s}{V\left(\beta_m + \beta_c\right)},\tag{3}$$

where  $\Phi \equiv \partial V/\partial s$  at constant p, and has units of  $l^2$ .  $\beta_m$  is magma compressibility and  $\beta_c$  is the chamber compressibility, defined by  $\beta_c \equiv (1/V)\partial V/\partial p$ . Combining (2) and (3)

$$u_{\rm co}(\mathbf{x}) = s \left[ \frac{-\Phi(\mathbf{m}, \delta) f(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m})}{\mu \left(\beta_m + \beta_c\right)} + g(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{m}, \delta) \right].$$
(4)

Note that  $\Phi f$  is dimensionless. Thus, by fixing the geometry (including V and  $\mu$ , which also determines  $\beta_c, \Phi$ ) to that estimated from the pre-collapse data, we can search over the space  $(\delta, \beta_m)$  to optimize fit to the co-collapse data.

## 3 Different Compressibility

Figure 1 shows observed and predicted displacements with different compressibilities.



Figure 1: Predicted and observed radial and vertical displacements during a collapse event. 1-sigma error bars. Predictions are shown for a range of dips and compressibility in title.

# 4 Uncertainty in Chamber Geometry

Figure 2 illustrates the range of pressure change for a range of magma chamber geometries consistent with pre-collapse deformation. These models are

restricted to vertical ring fault.



Figure 2: Range of properties for vertical ring-fault system from resampling the posterior distribution of magma chamber geometries based on pre-collapse deflation from *Anderson et al.* (2019). a) Pressure change. Red curve shows Gaussian fit; b) Magma compressibility; c) Chamber compressibility.

# 5 Point Source Model

Figure 3 shows posterior distribution of point source parameters, location and moment tensor components, based on MCMC analysis of the co-collapse displacement data. Figure 4 illustrates the point source on a "Hudson plot" and as three orthogonal double forces.



Posterior PDFs for 1e6 iterations

Figure 3: Posterior distribution for point source moment tensor fit to co-collapse displacements.



Figure 4: A) Hudson plot showing point source model is largely isotropic expansion. B) Double forces; max (red), intermediate (green) and minimum (blue).

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